
Bellman-Ford SSSP



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CLRS chapter 24.1

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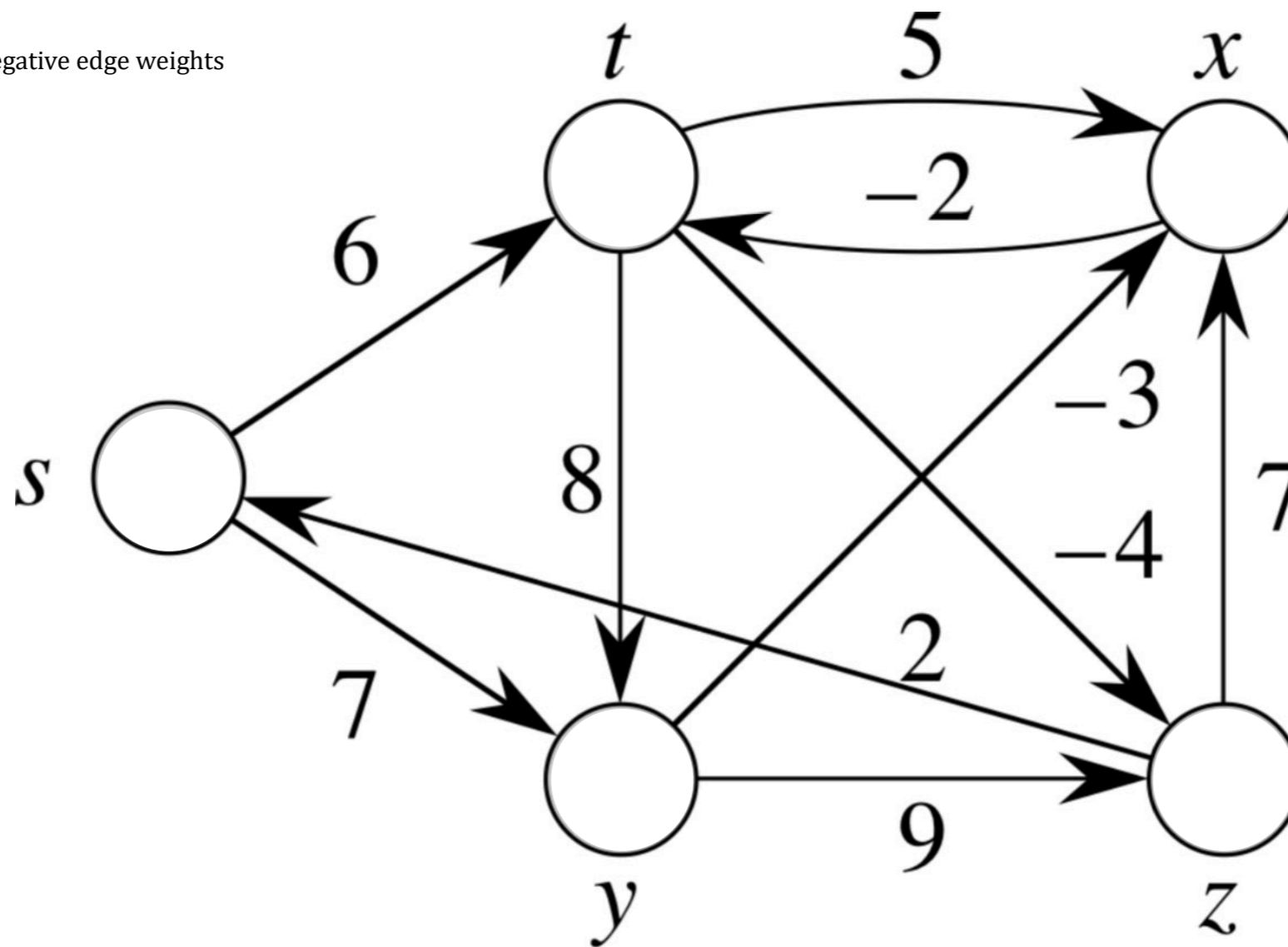
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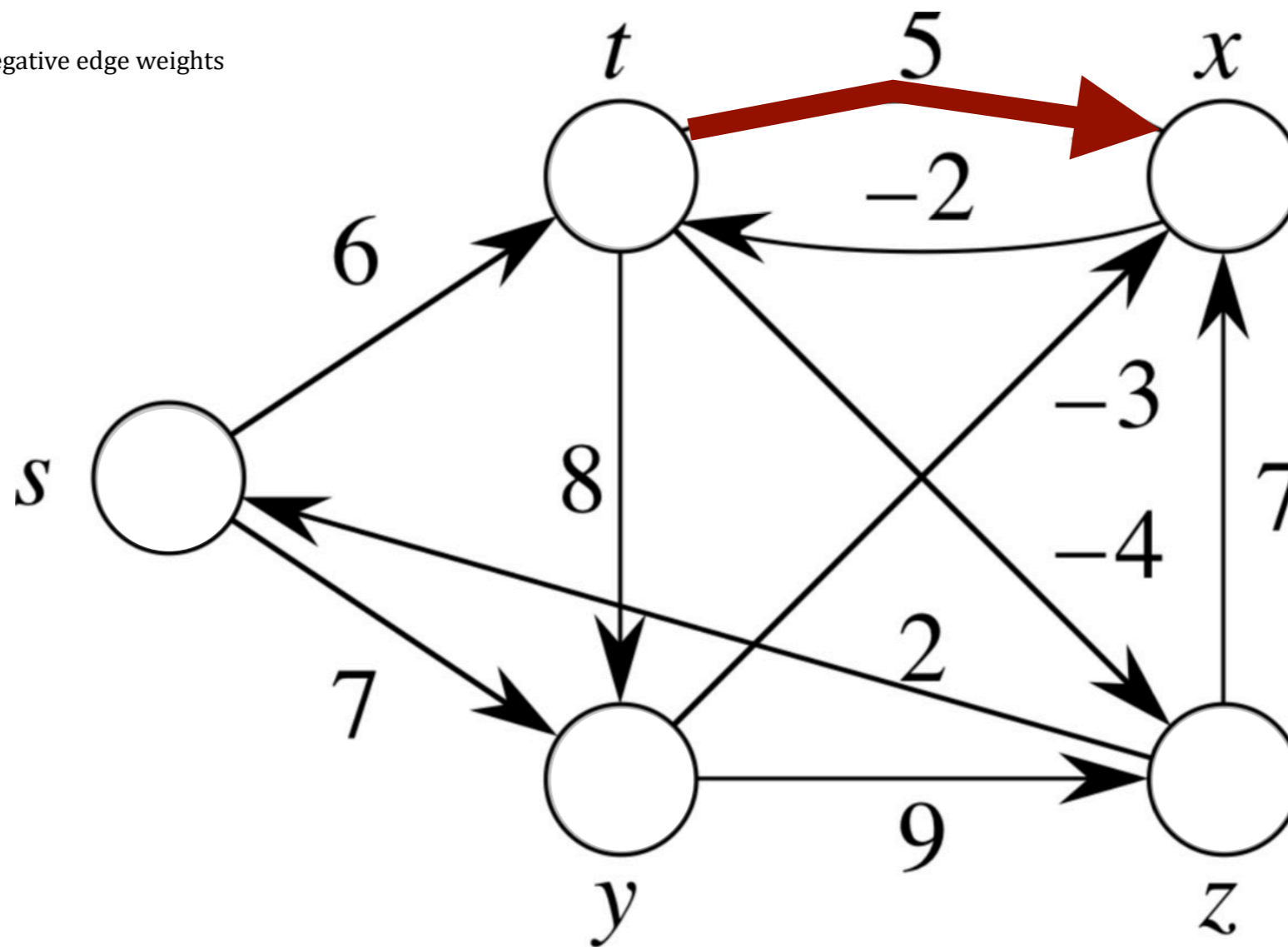
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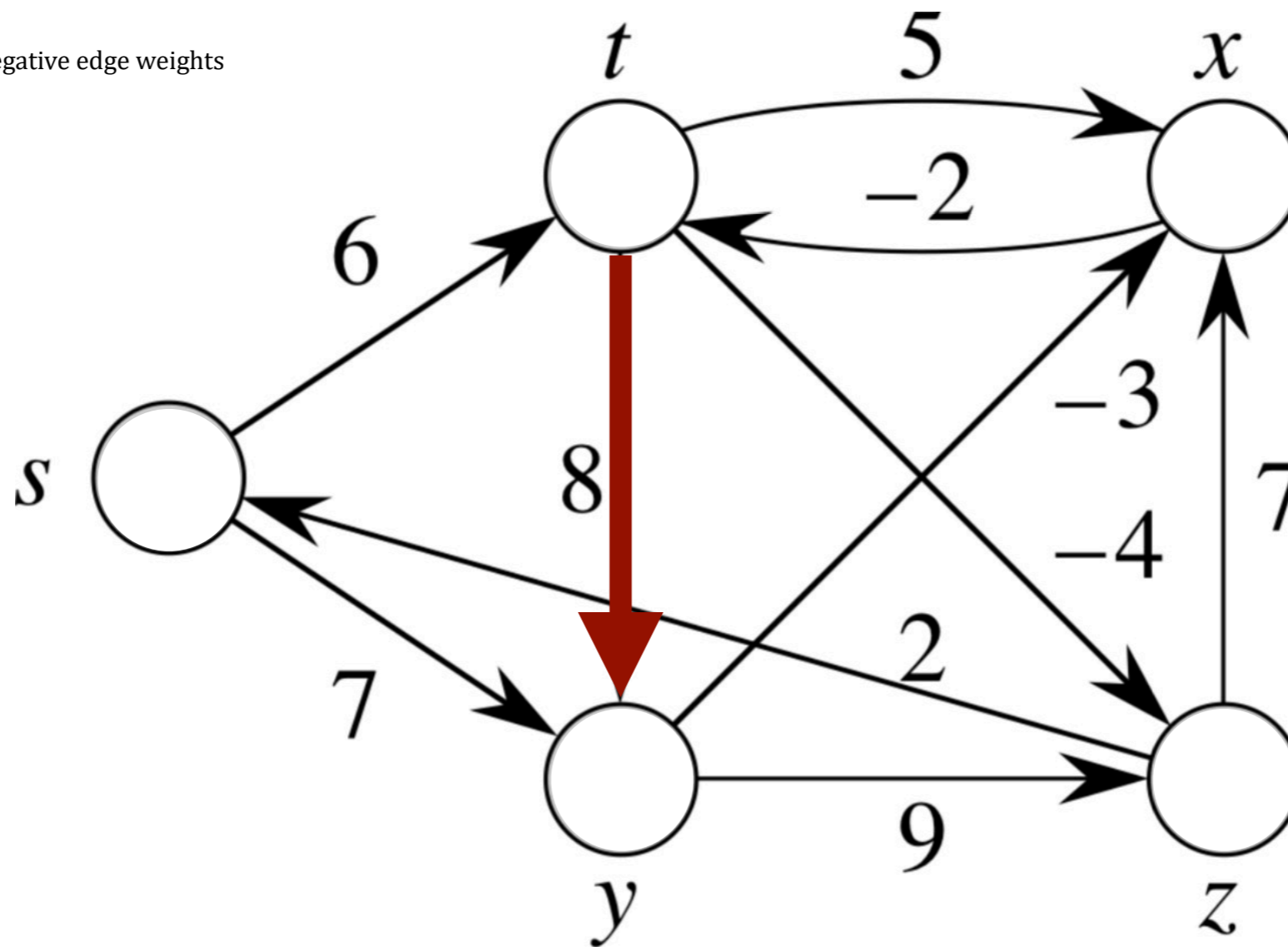
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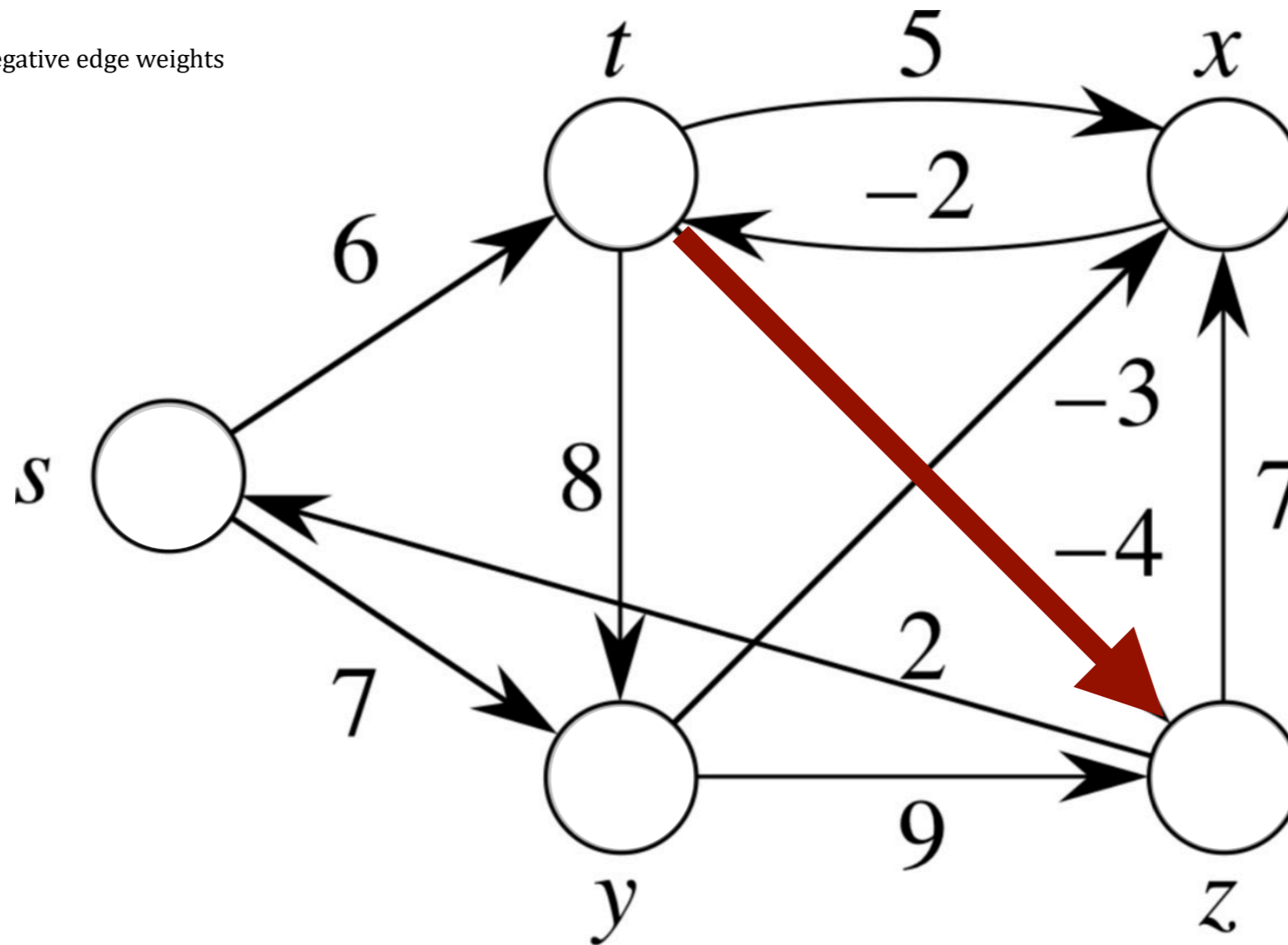
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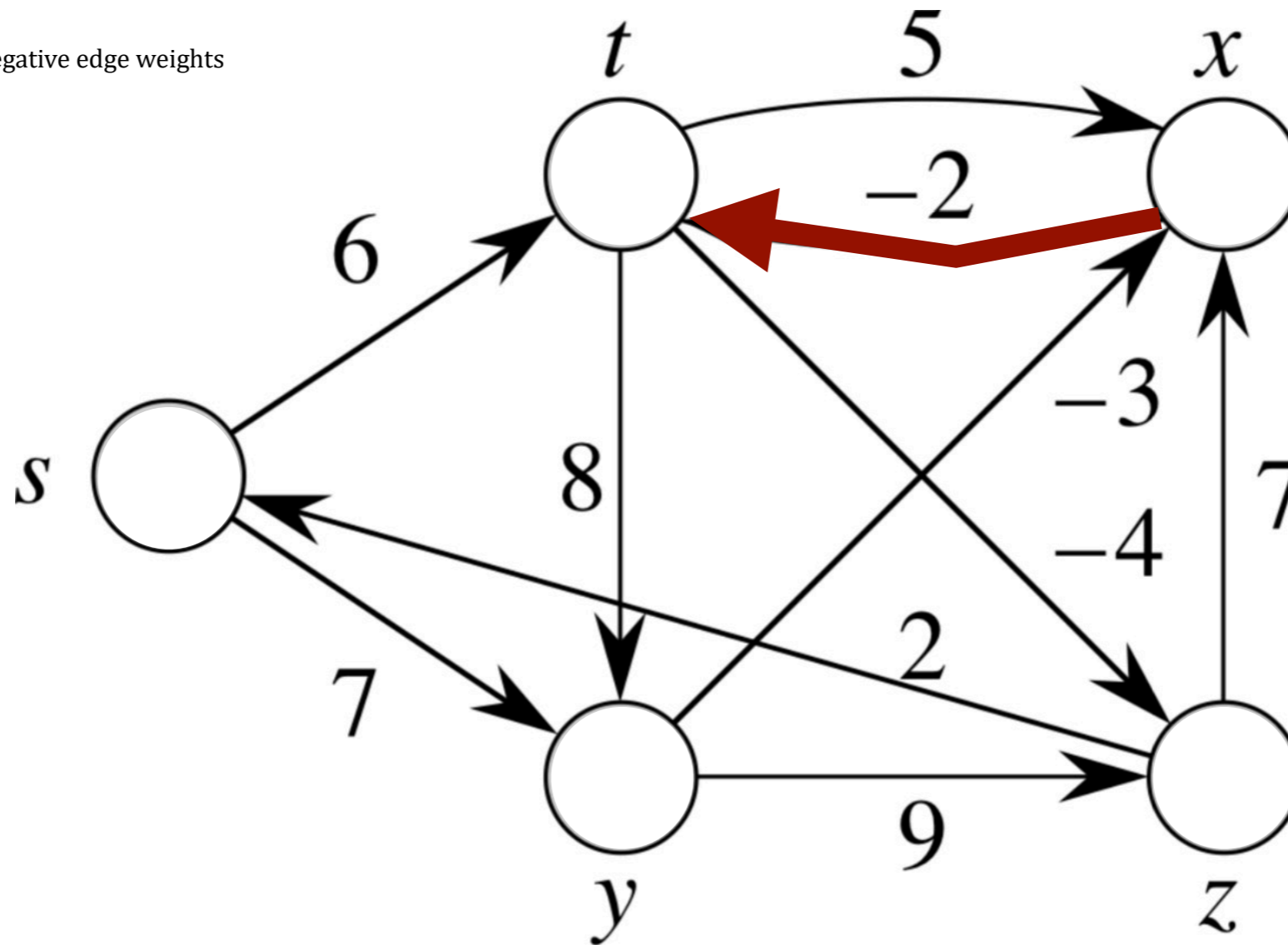
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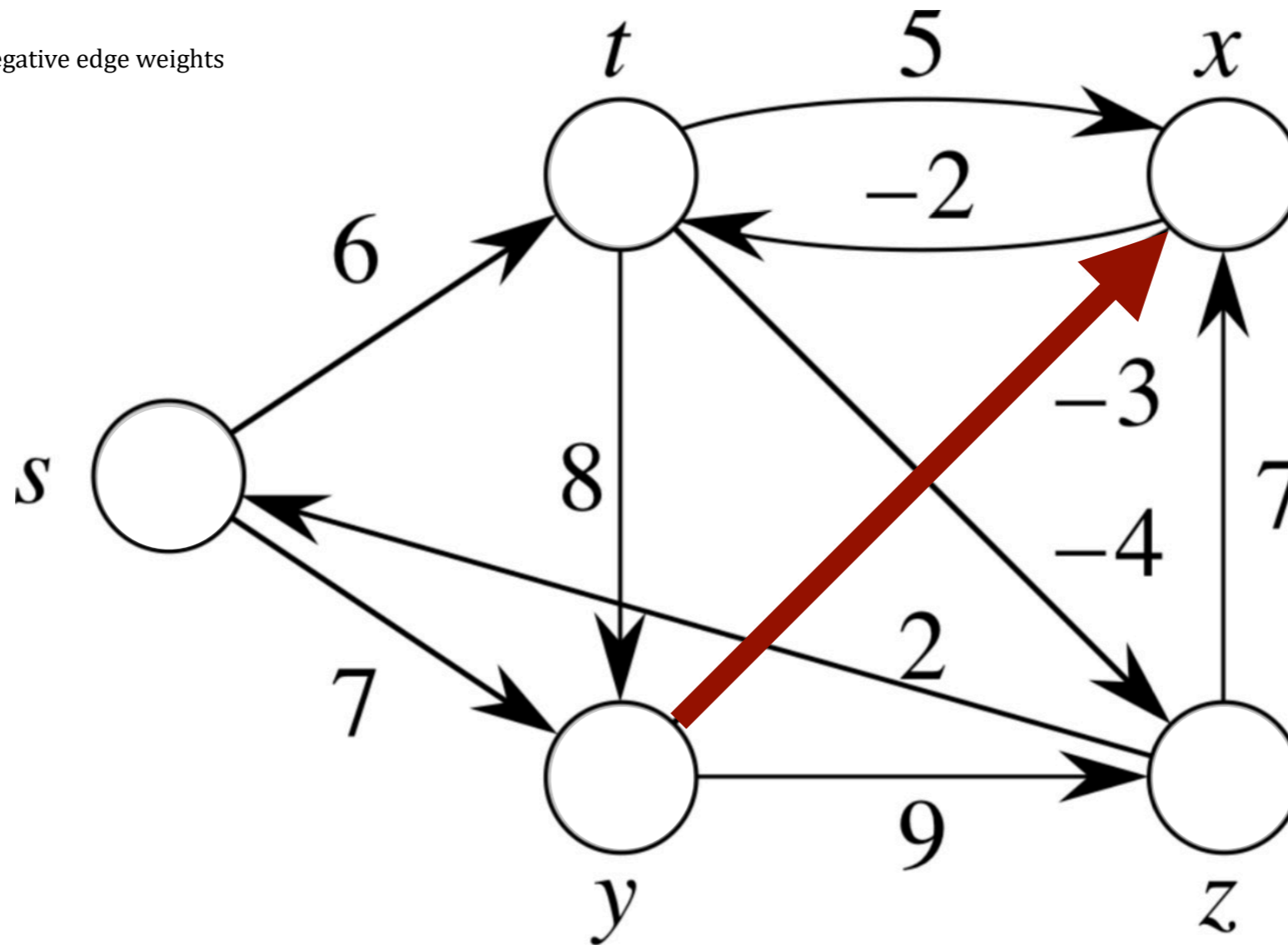
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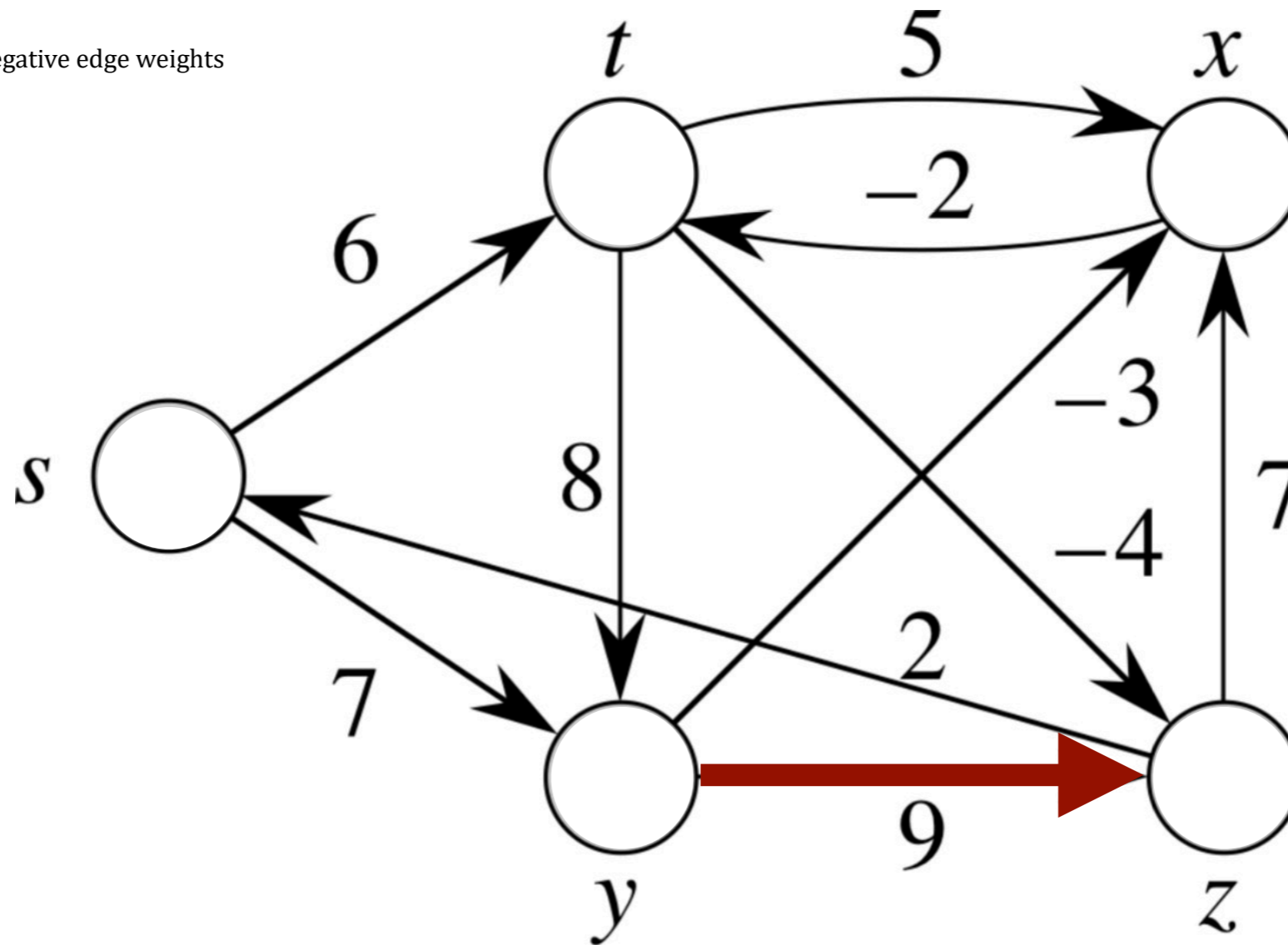
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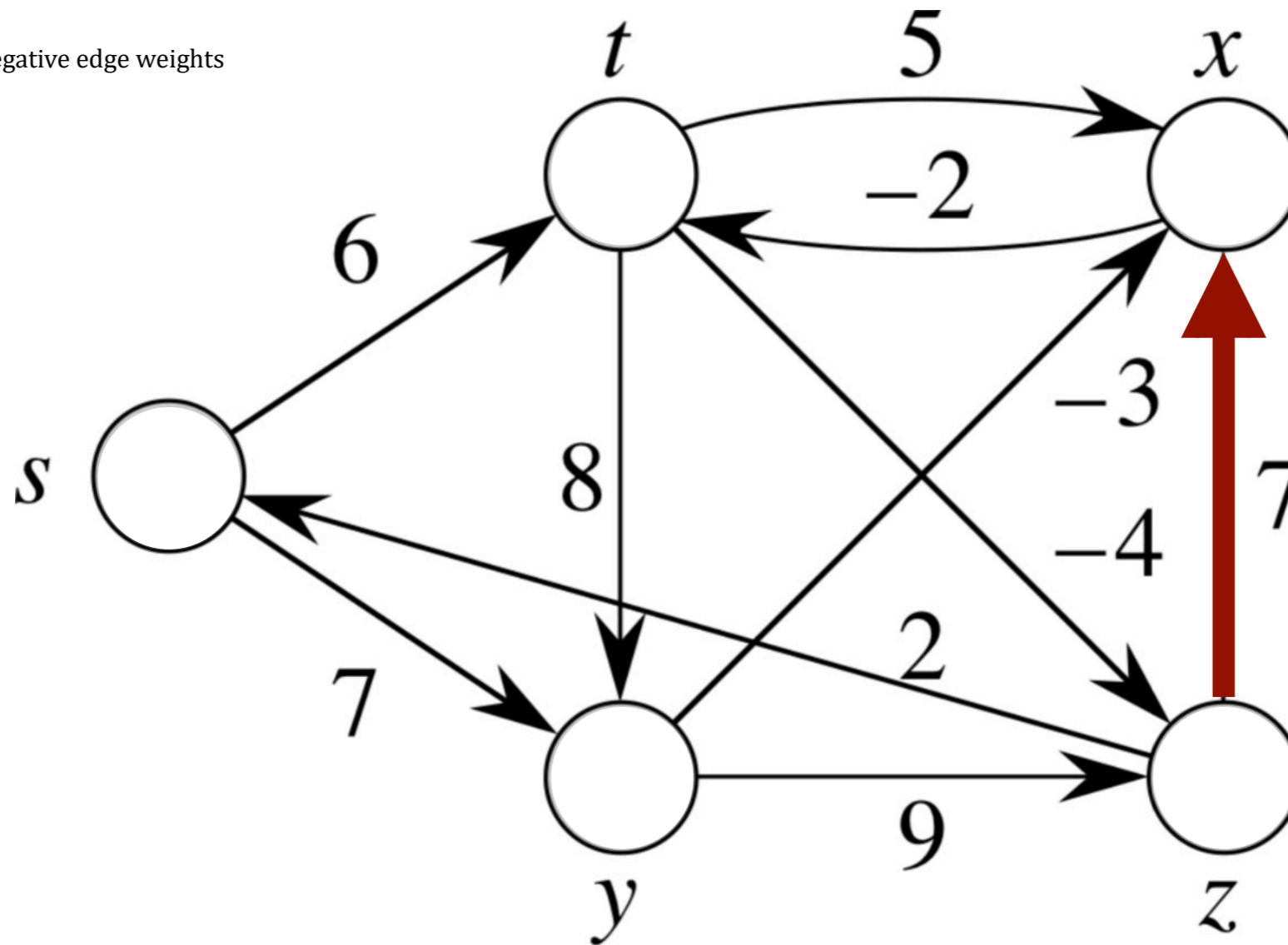
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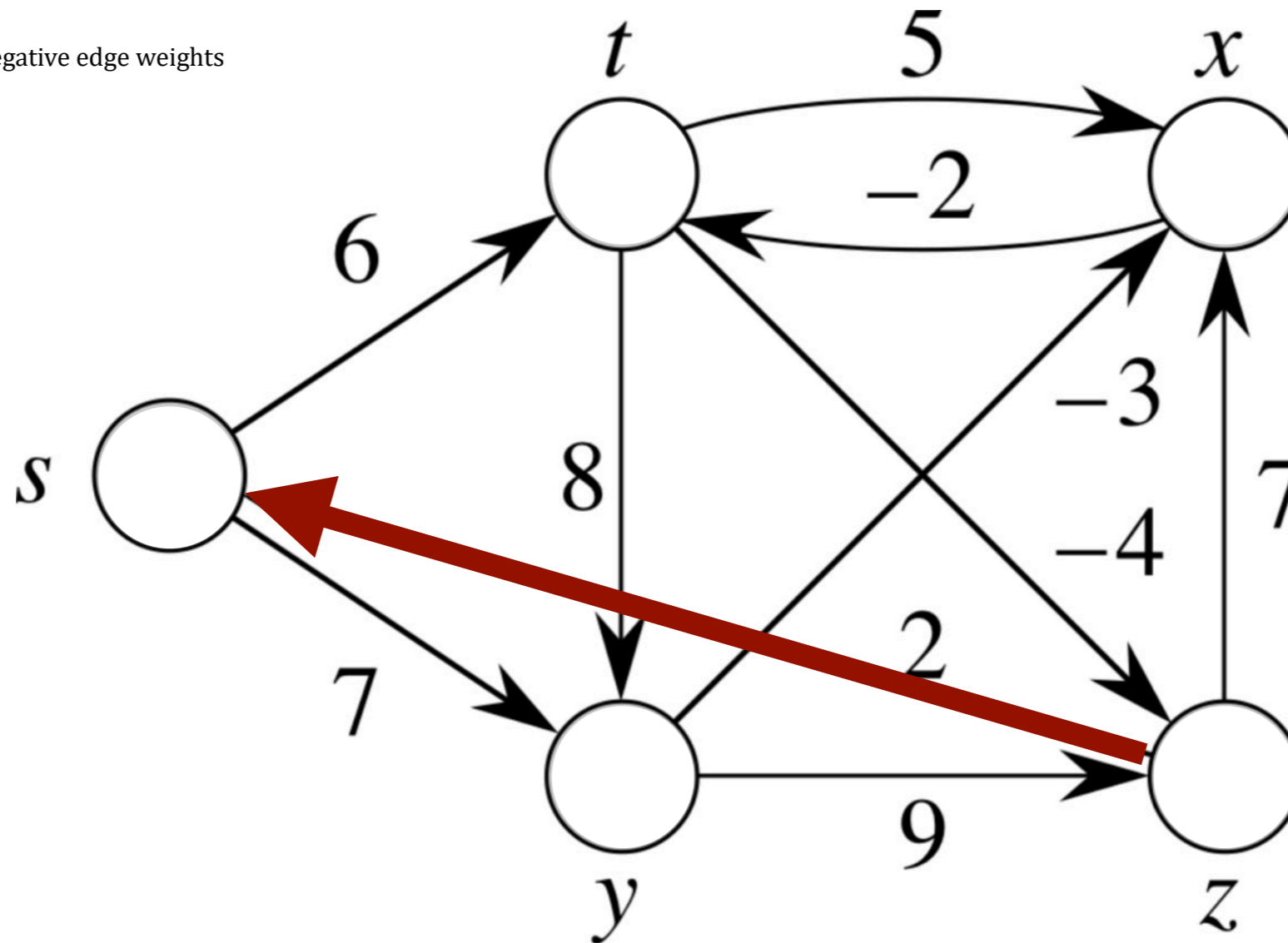
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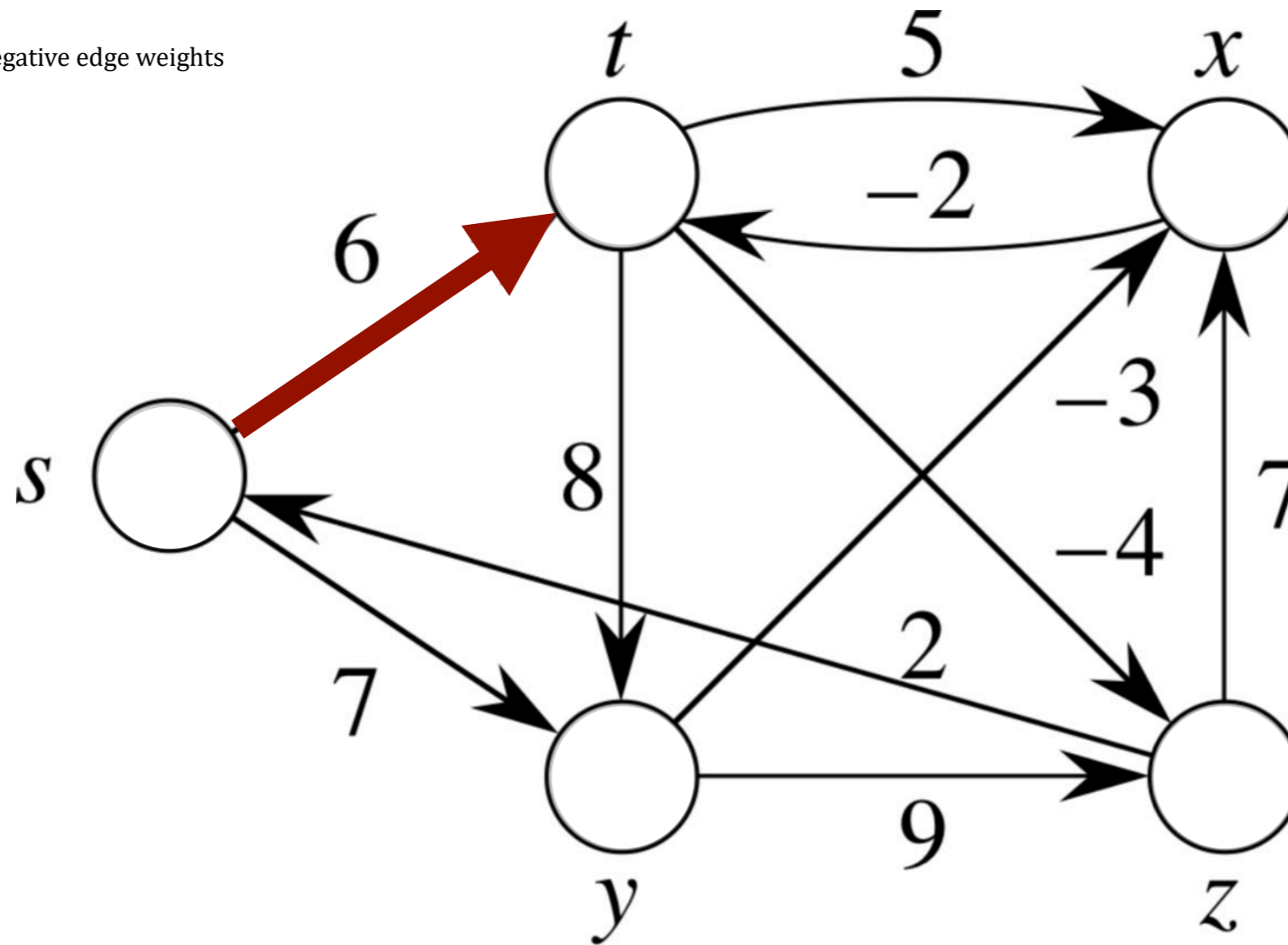
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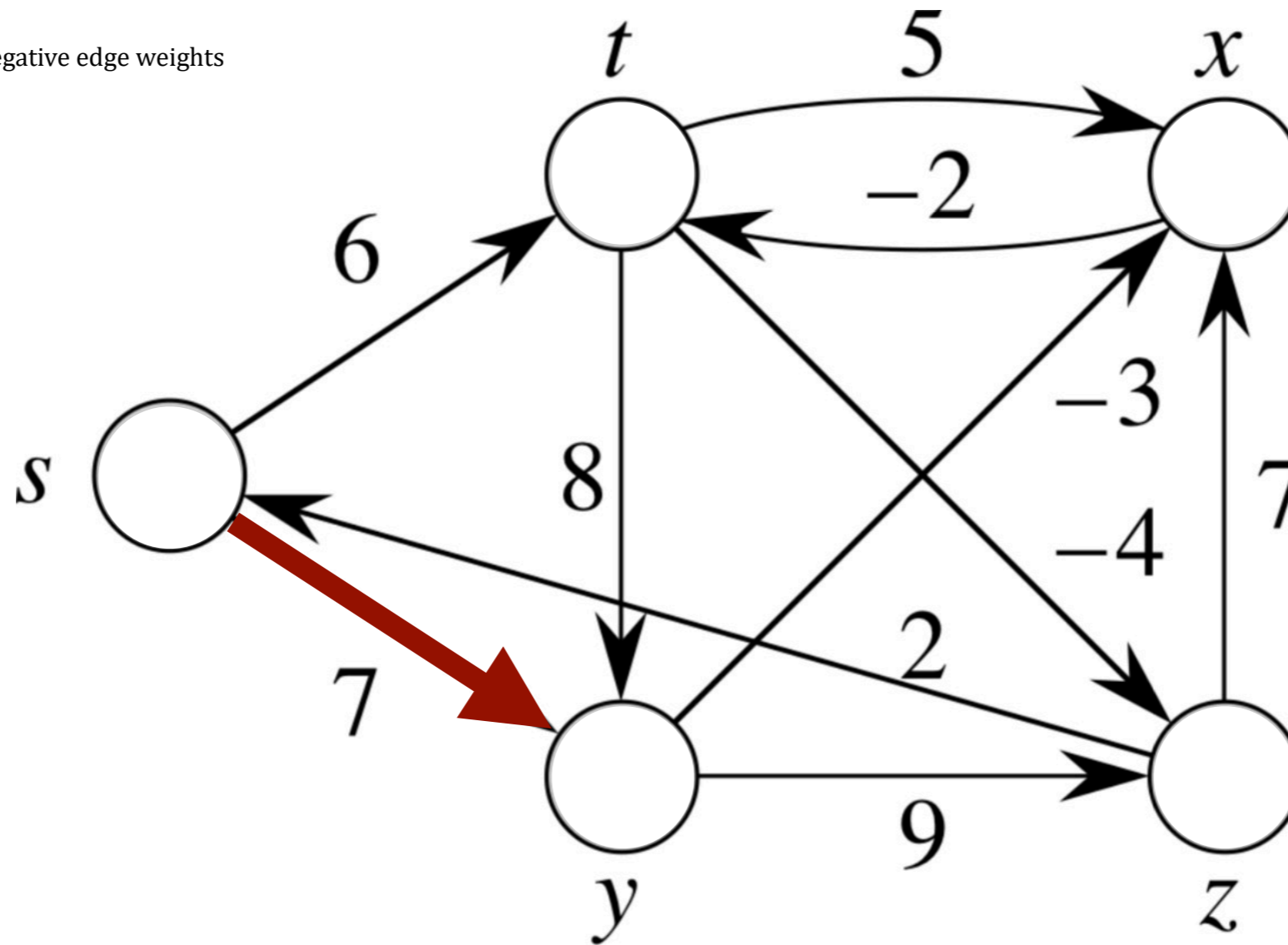
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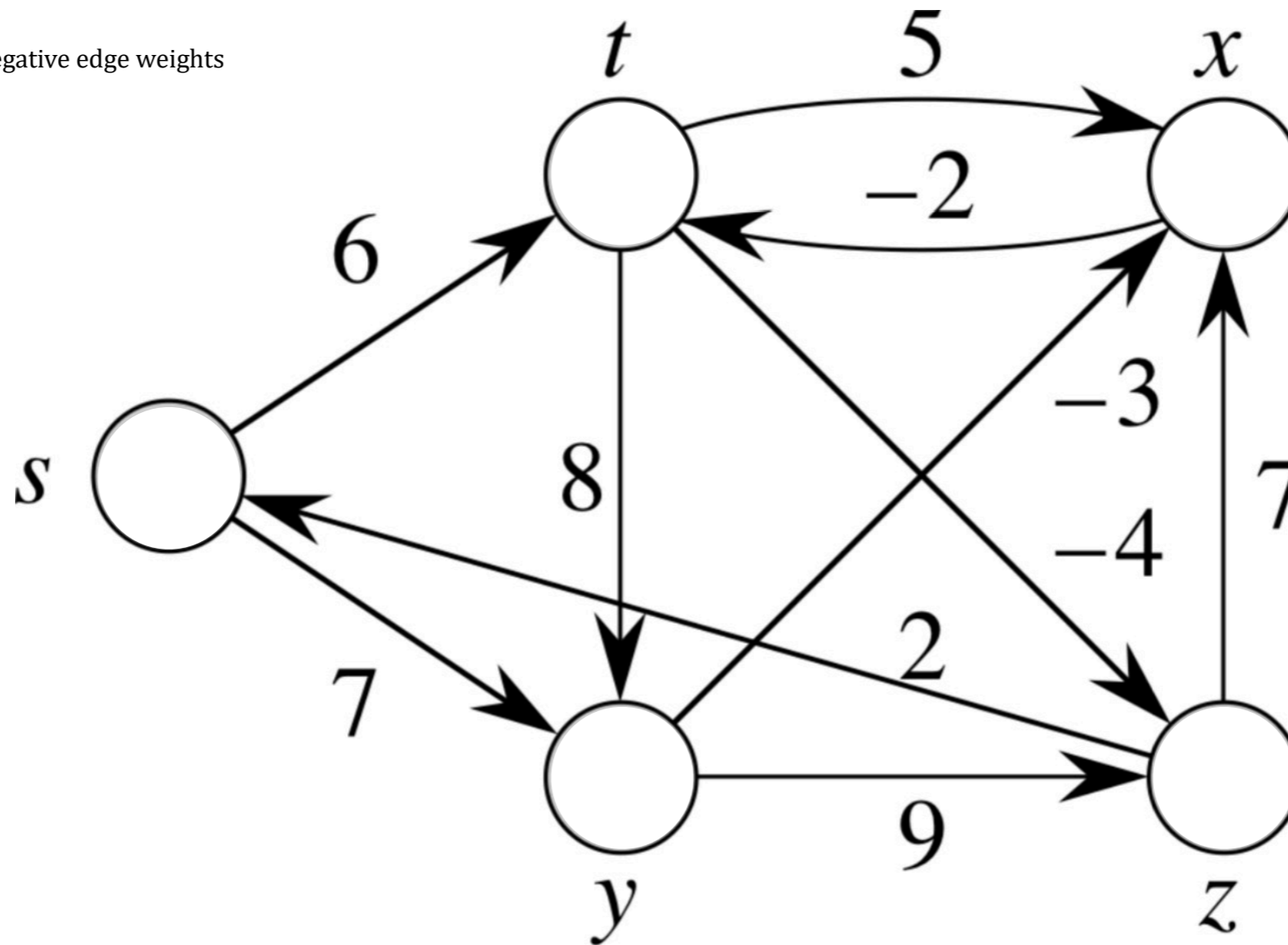
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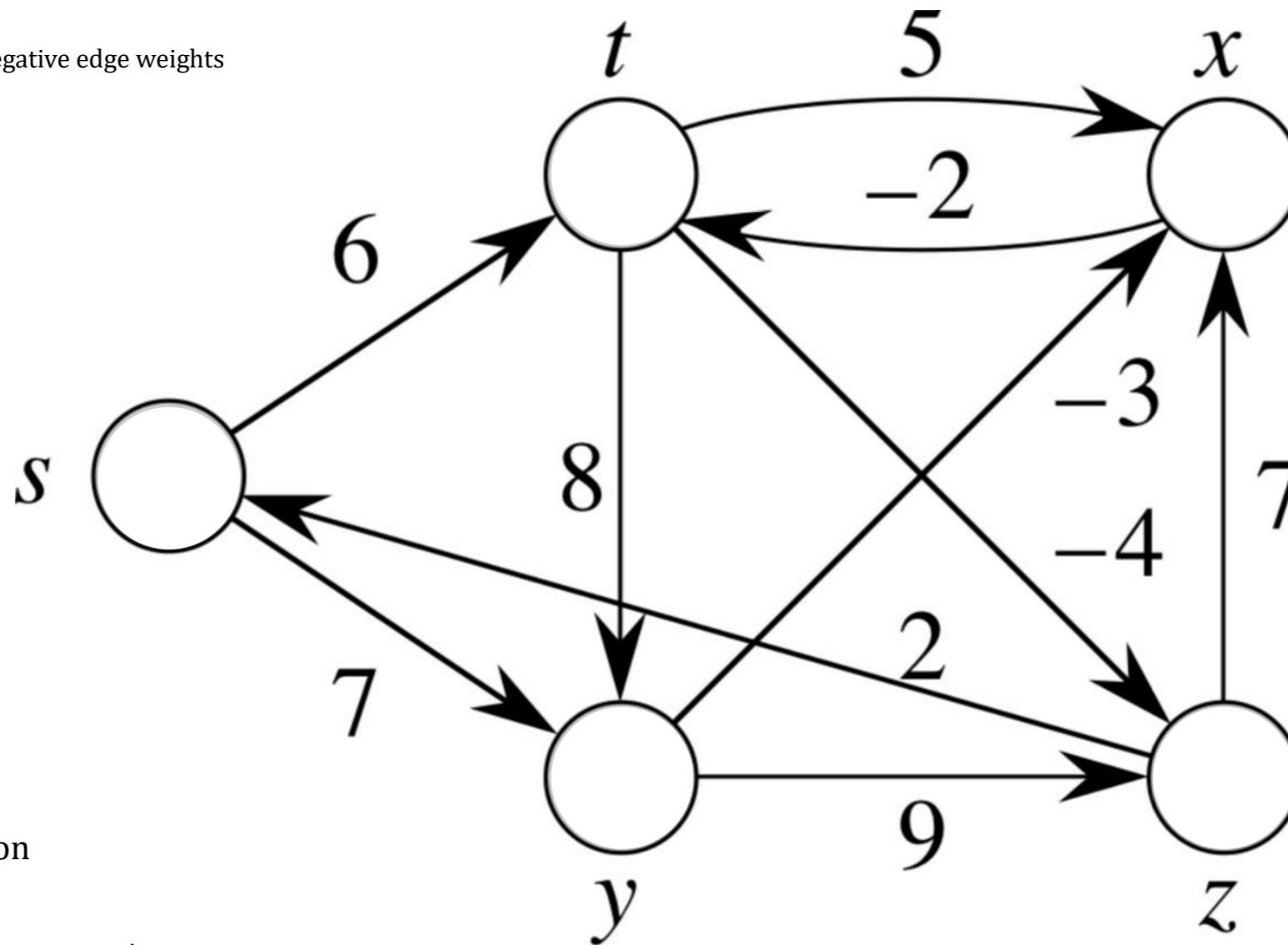
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Weight function

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Source vertex

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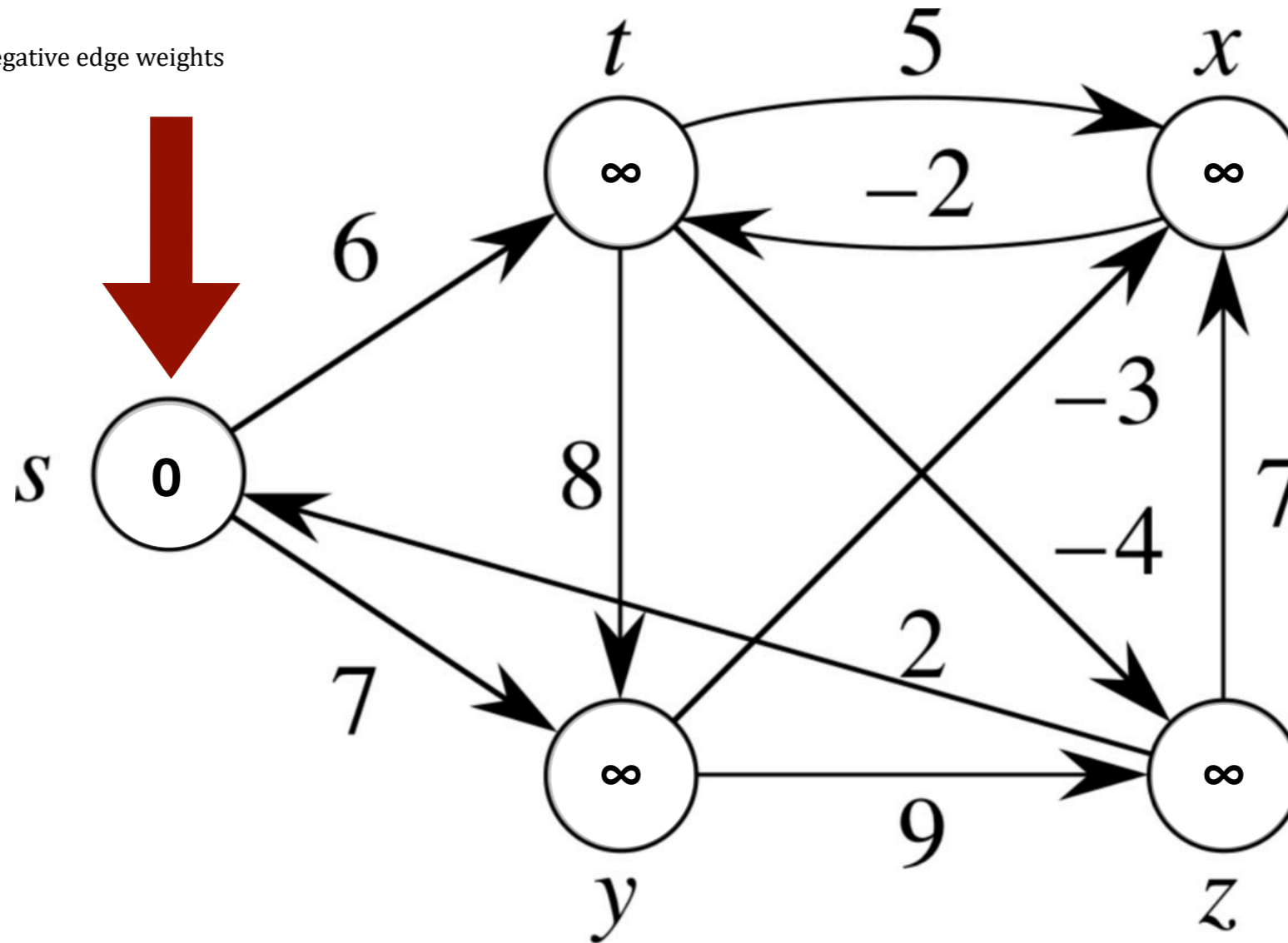
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for each $v \in G.V$

$v.d = \infty$ // estimate of shortest path distance

$v.\pi = \text{NIL}$ // predecessor vertex

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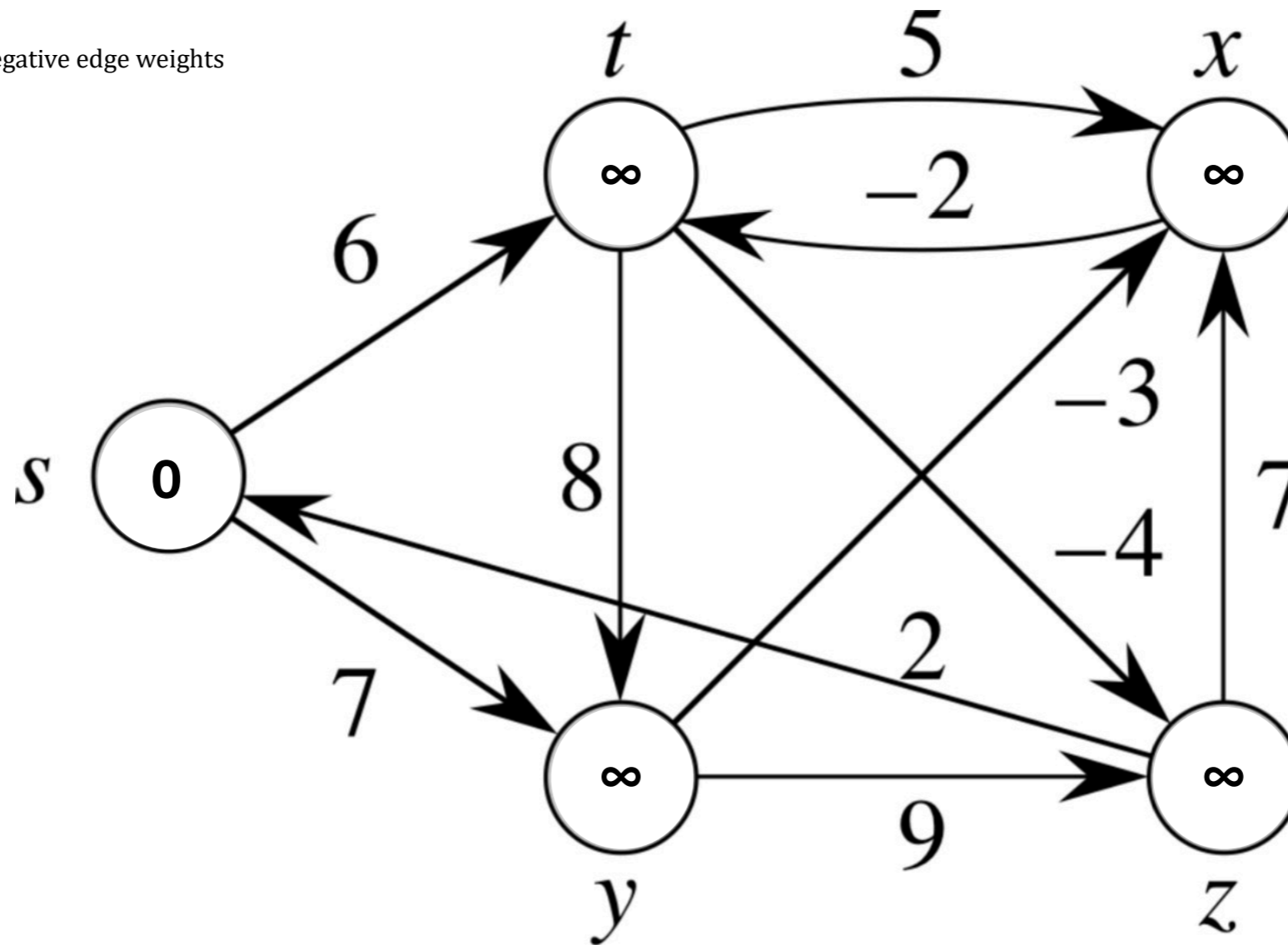
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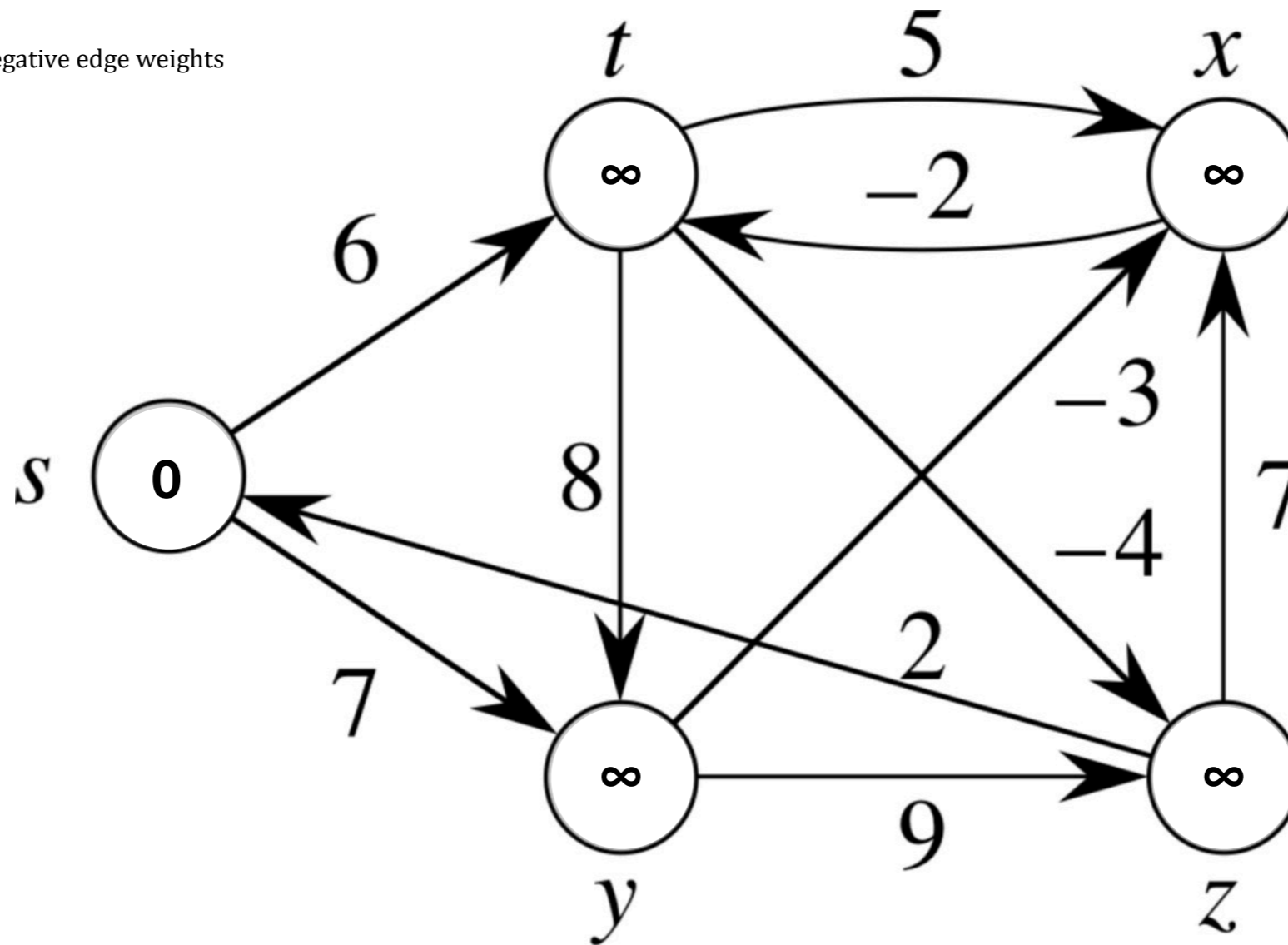
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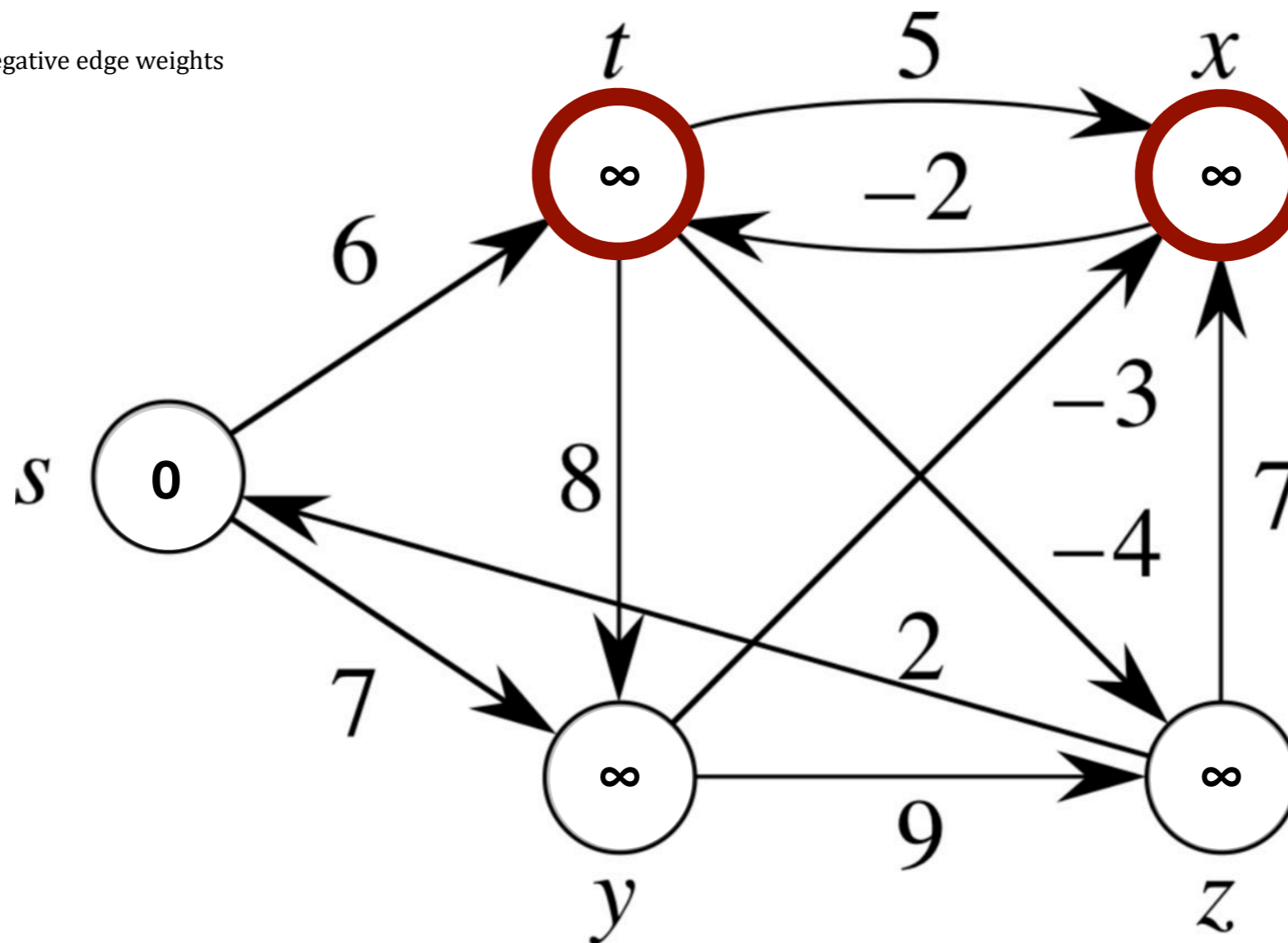
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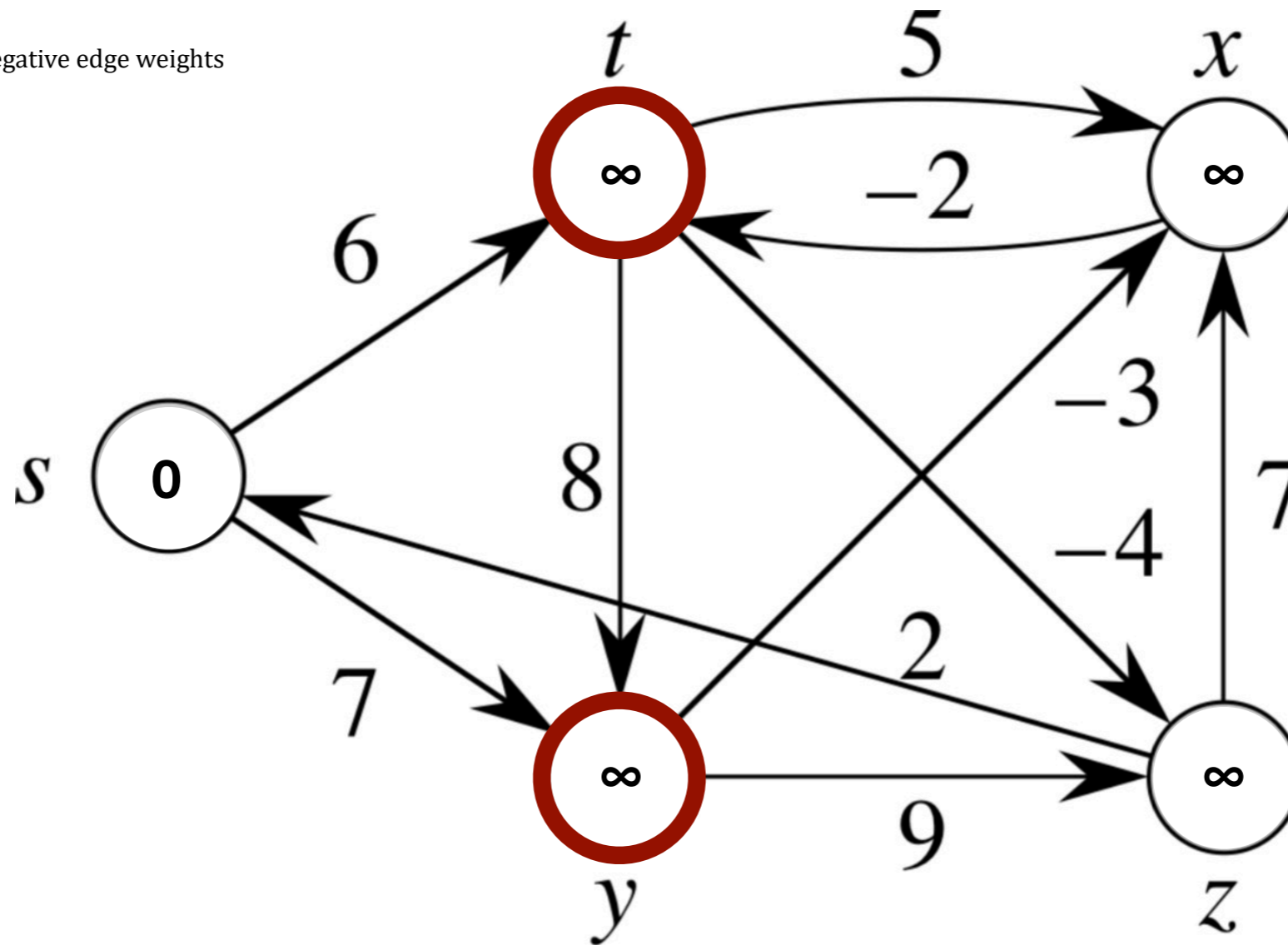
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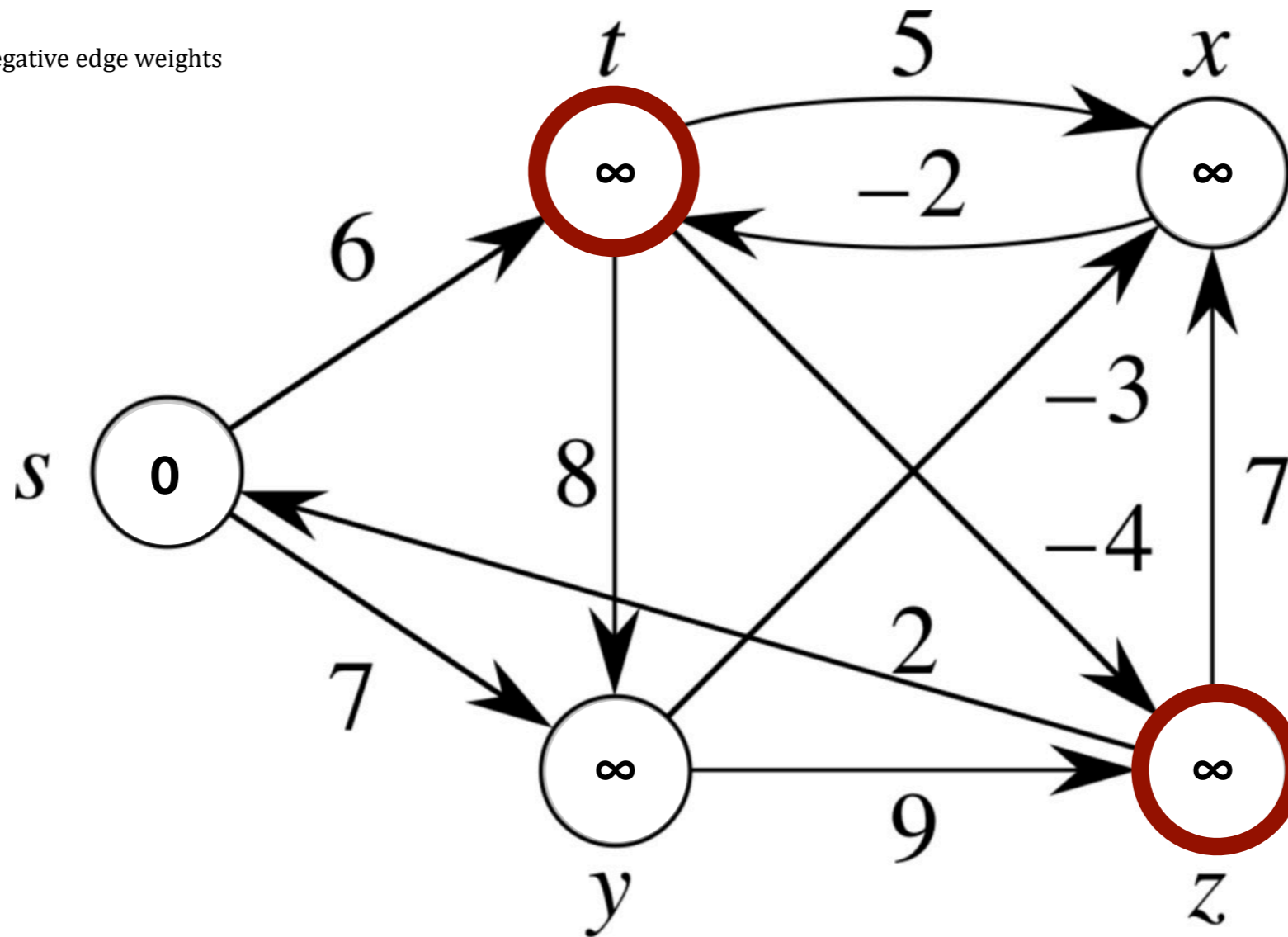
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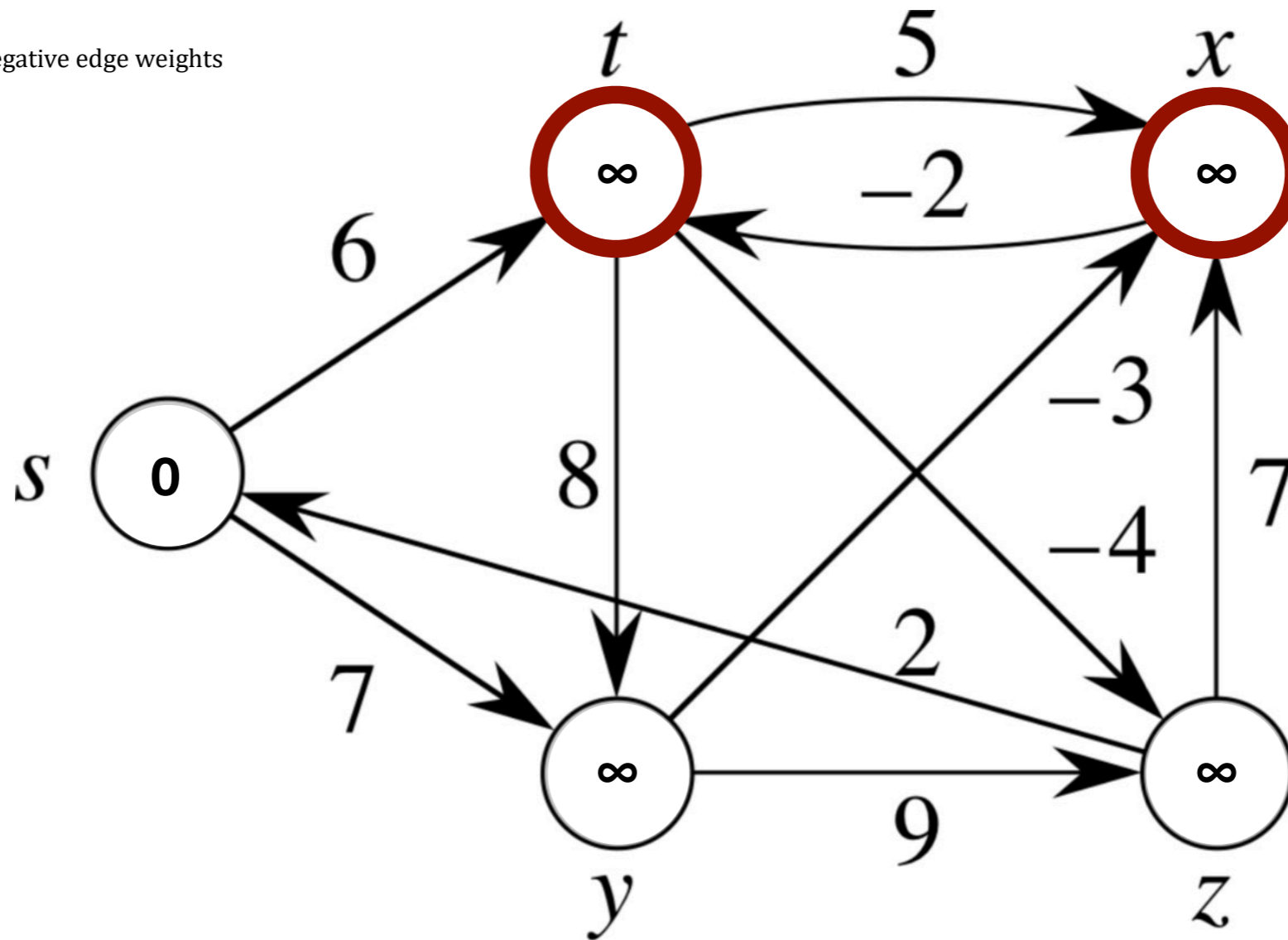
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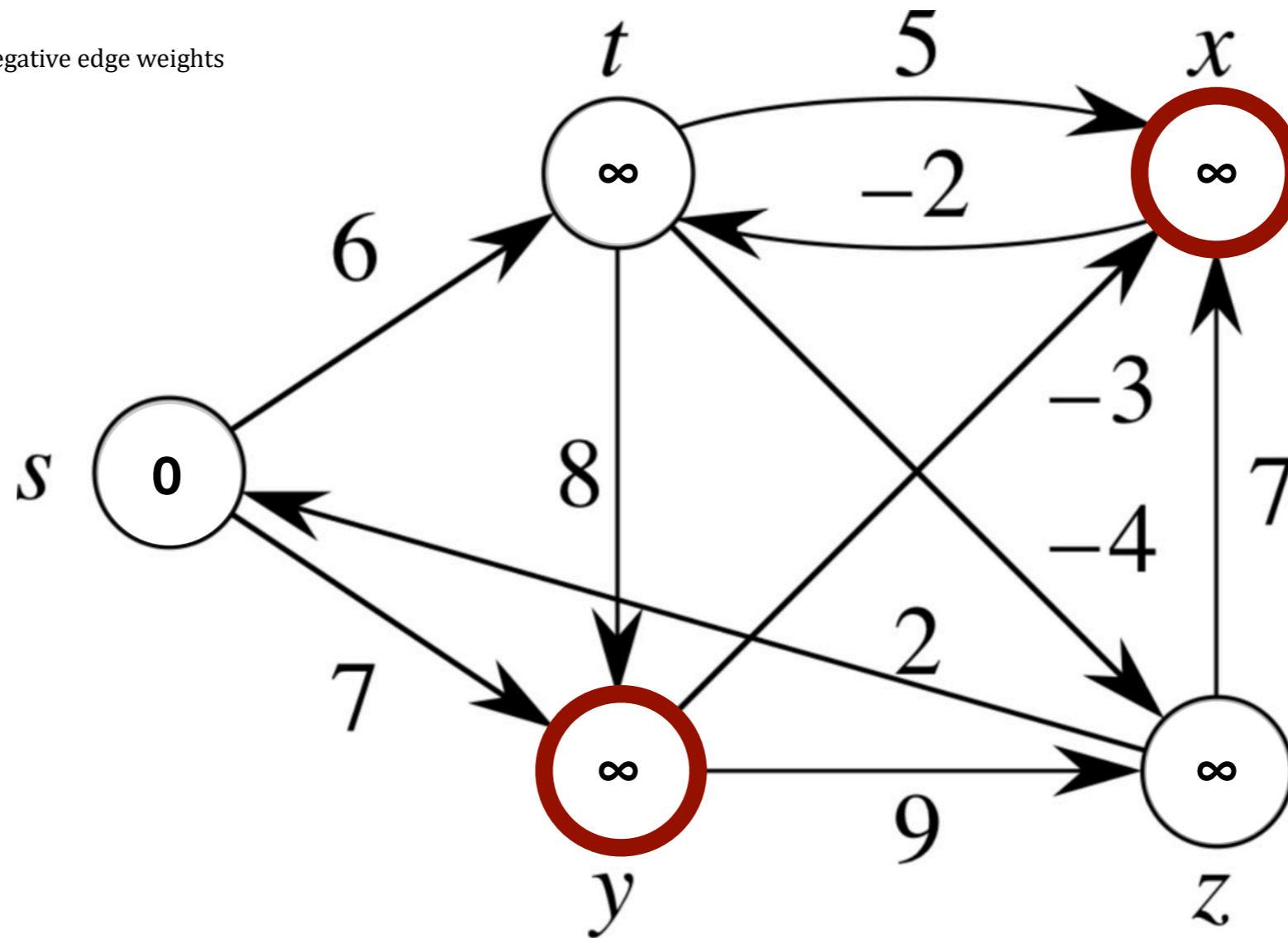
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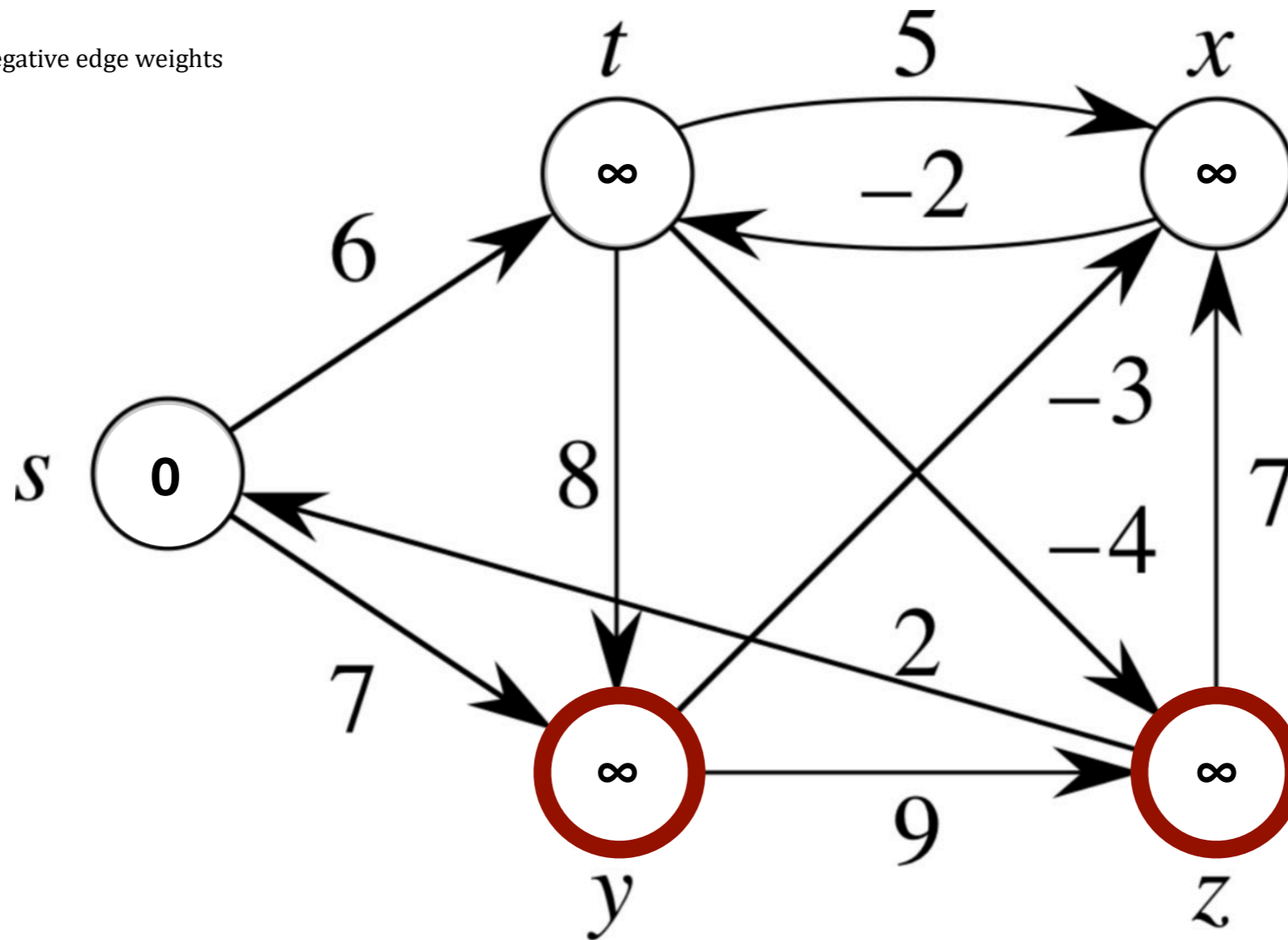
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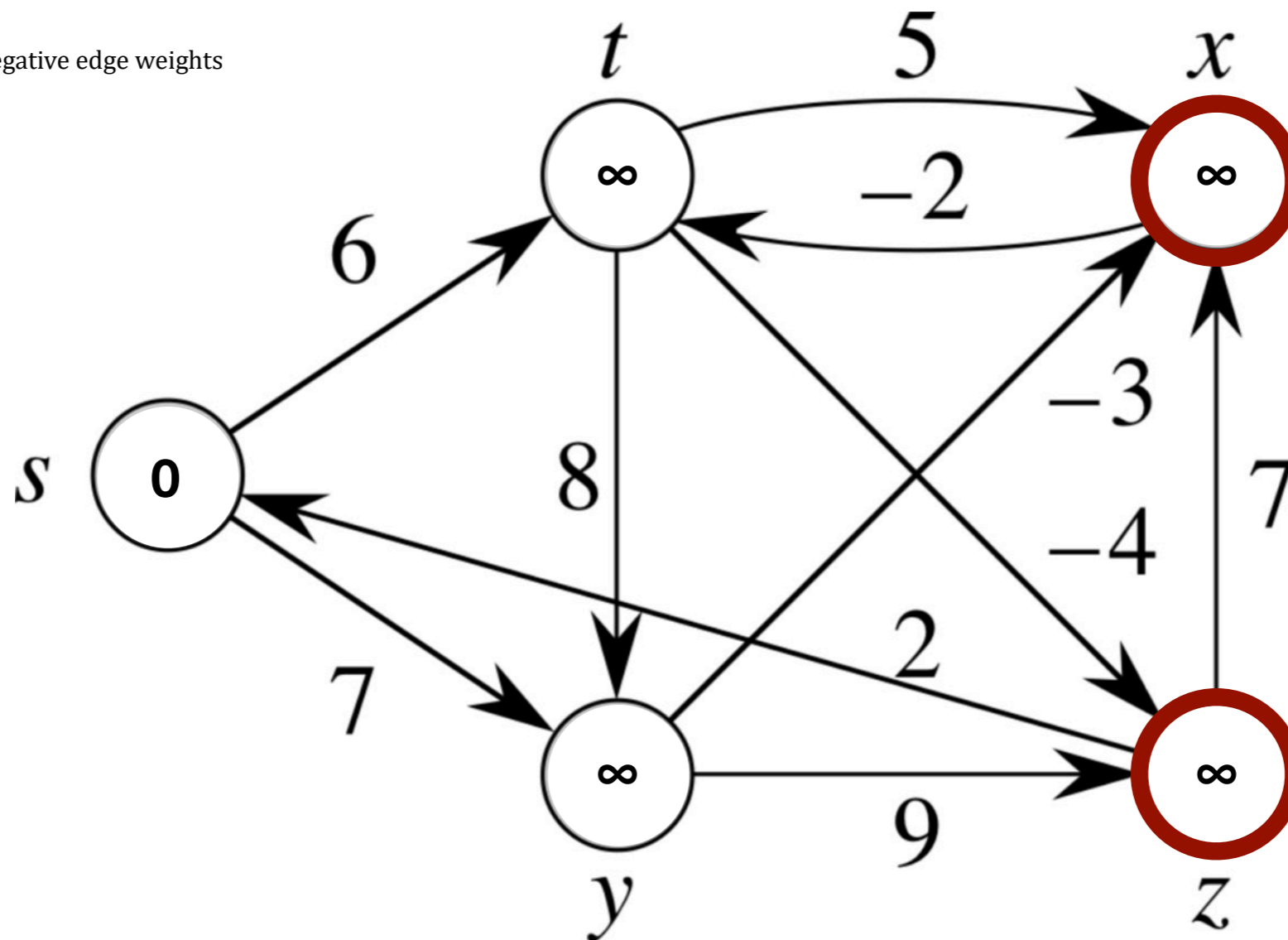
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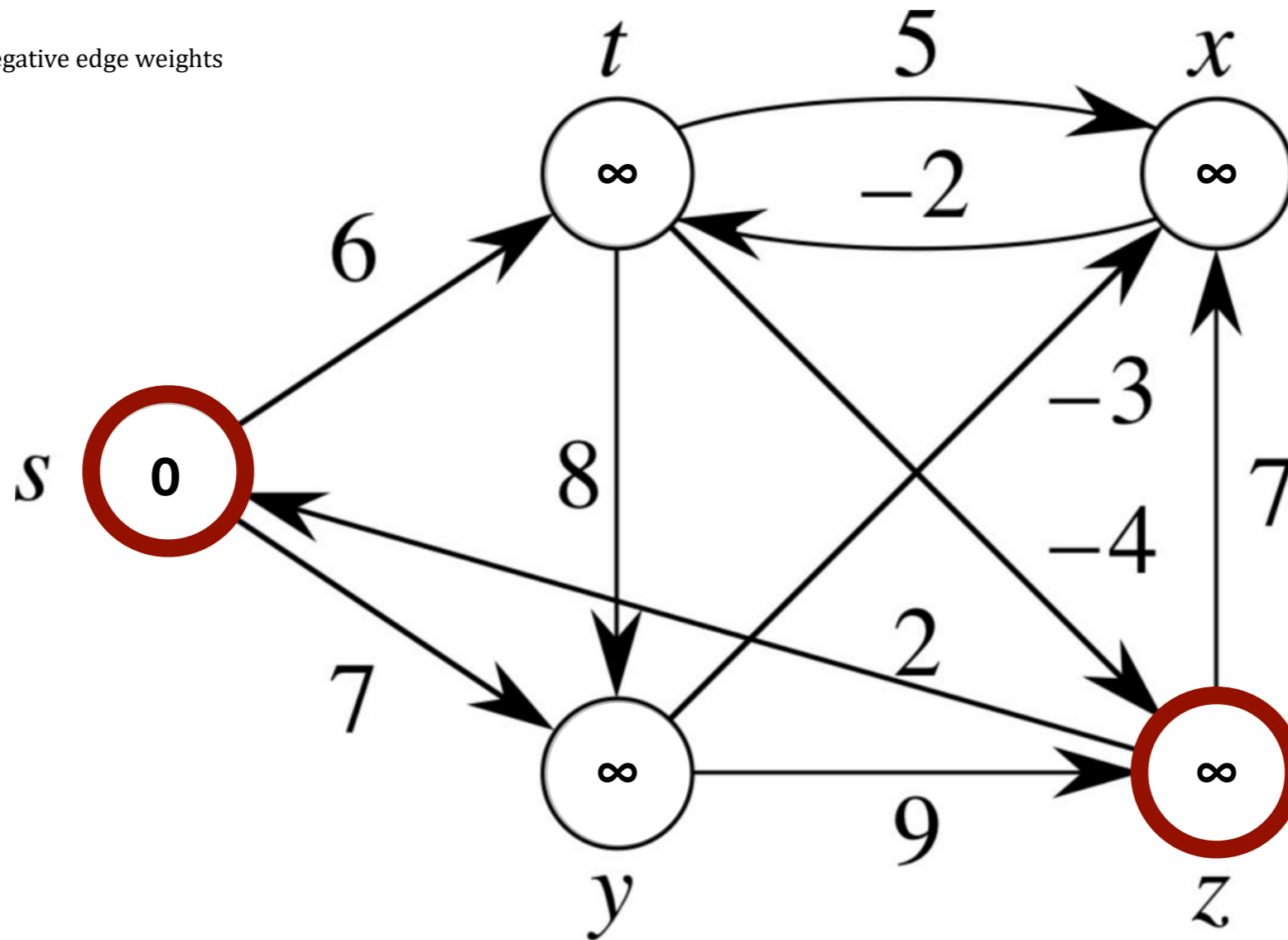
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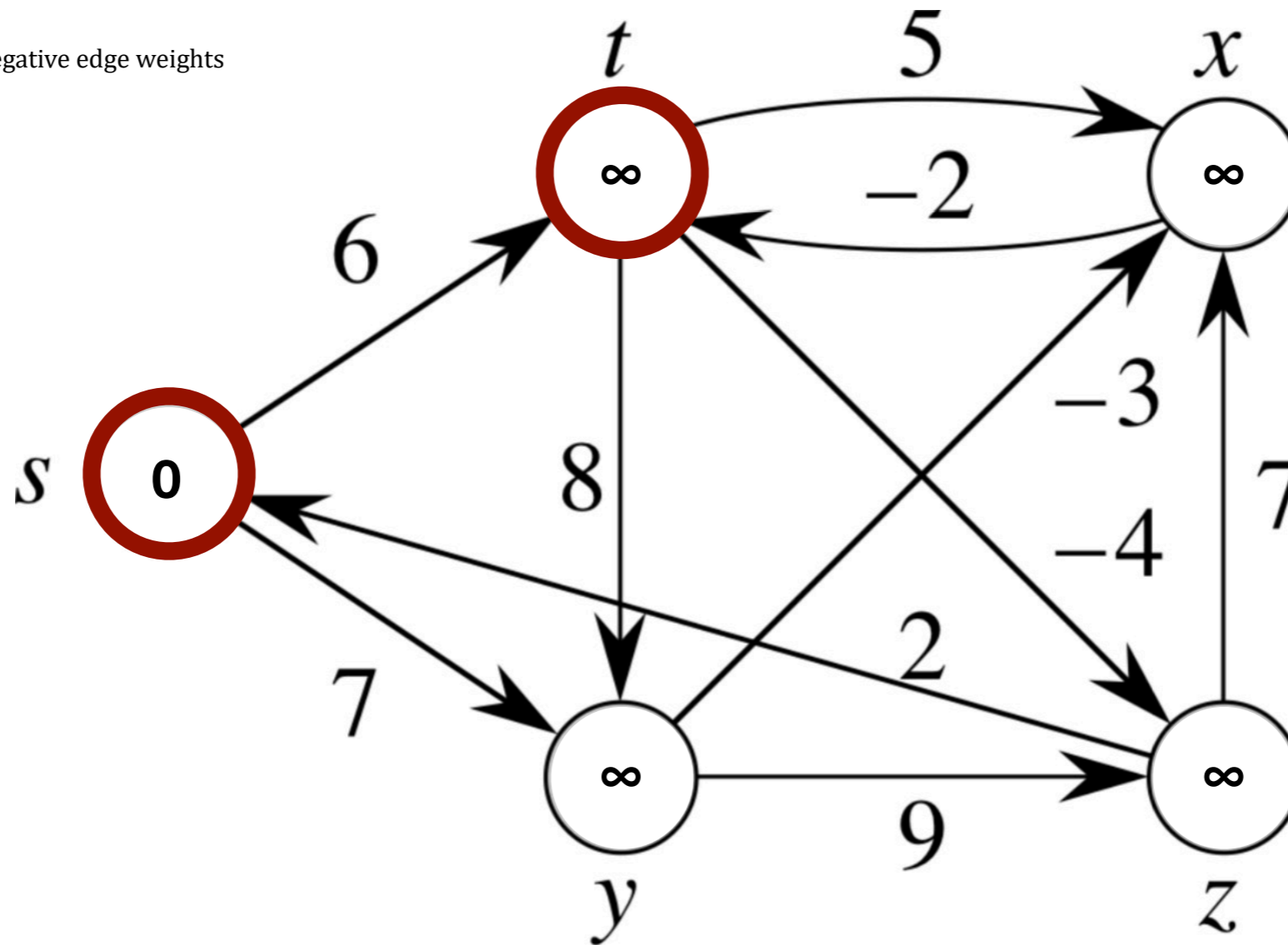
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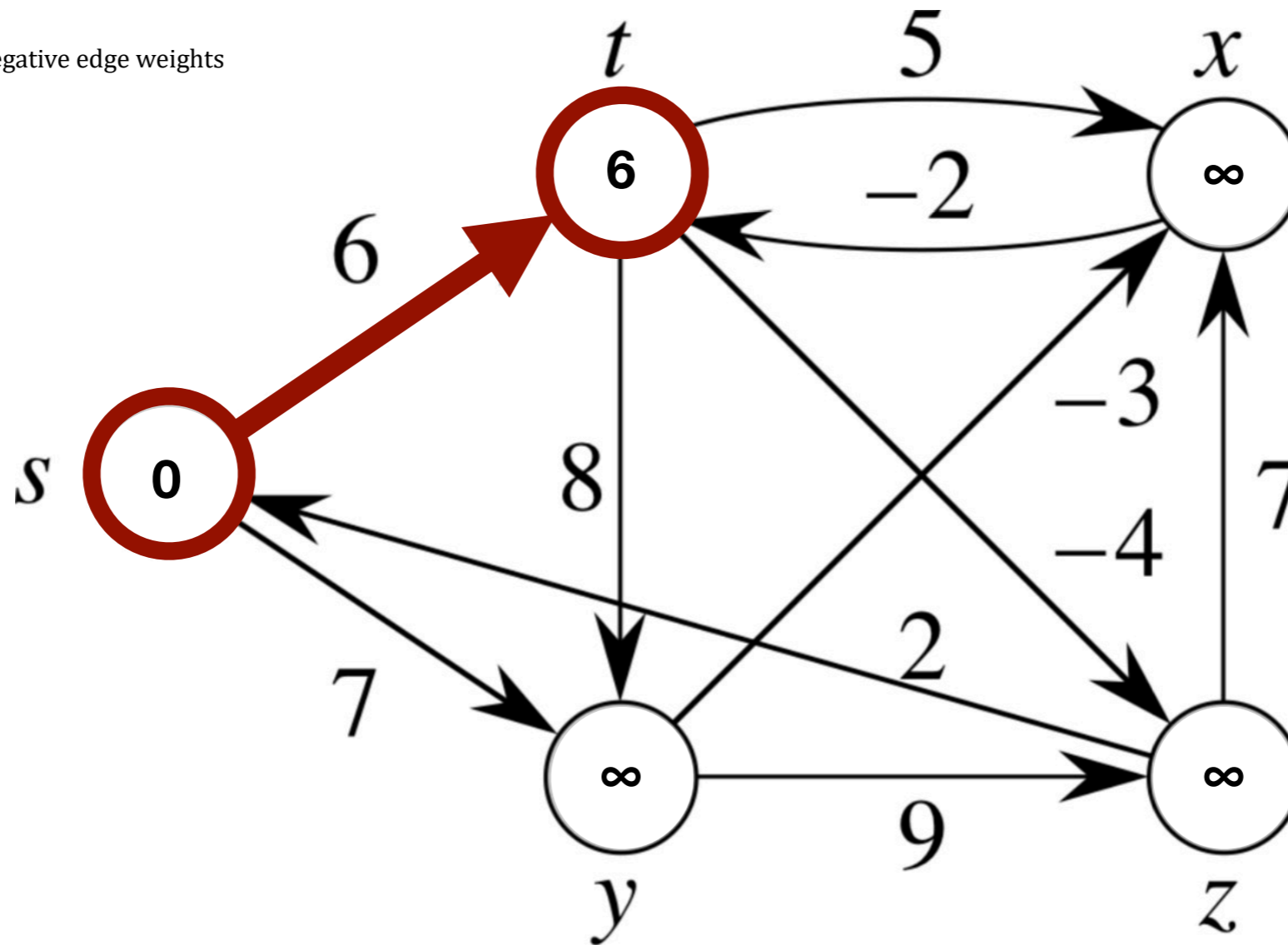
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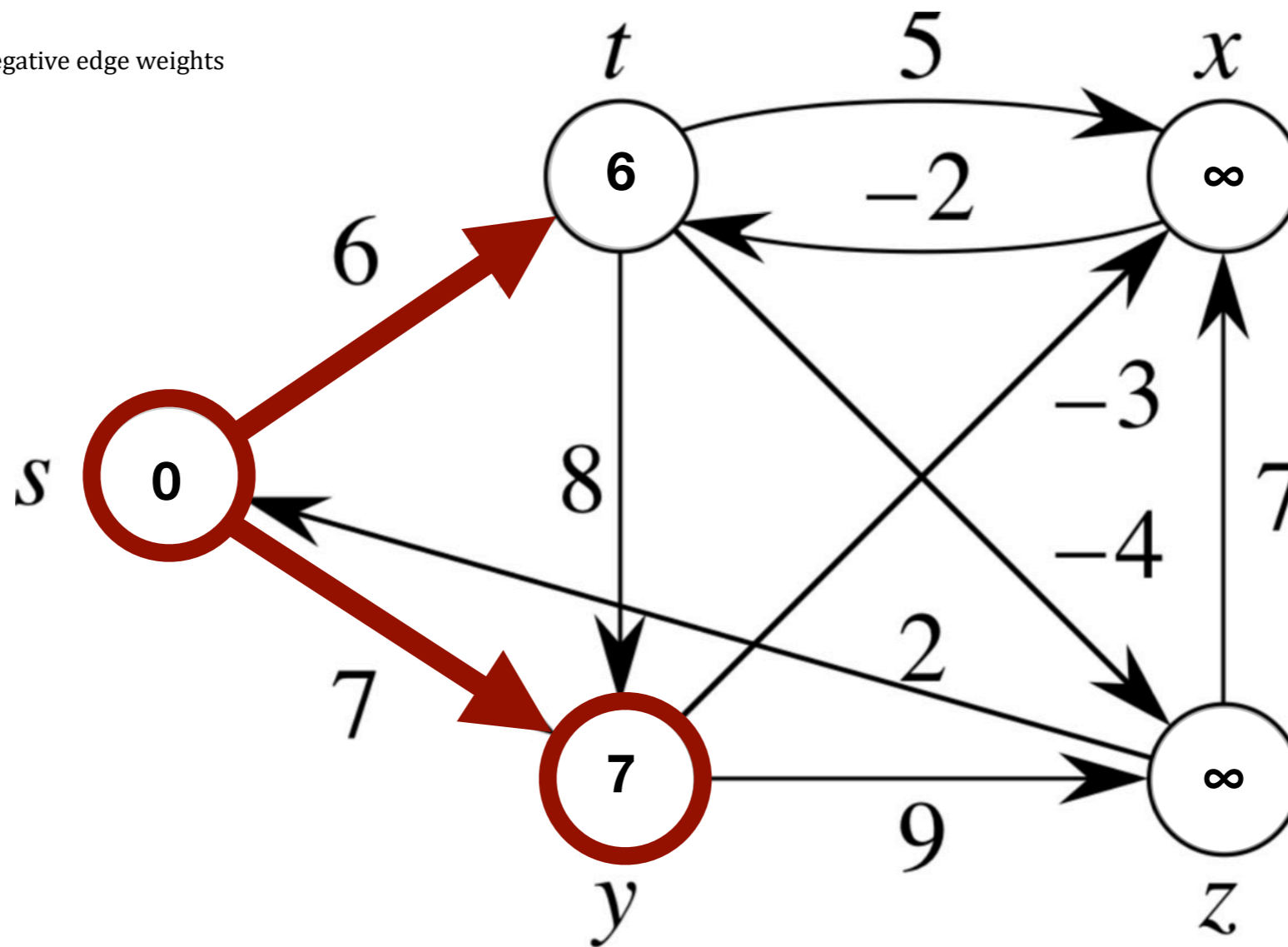
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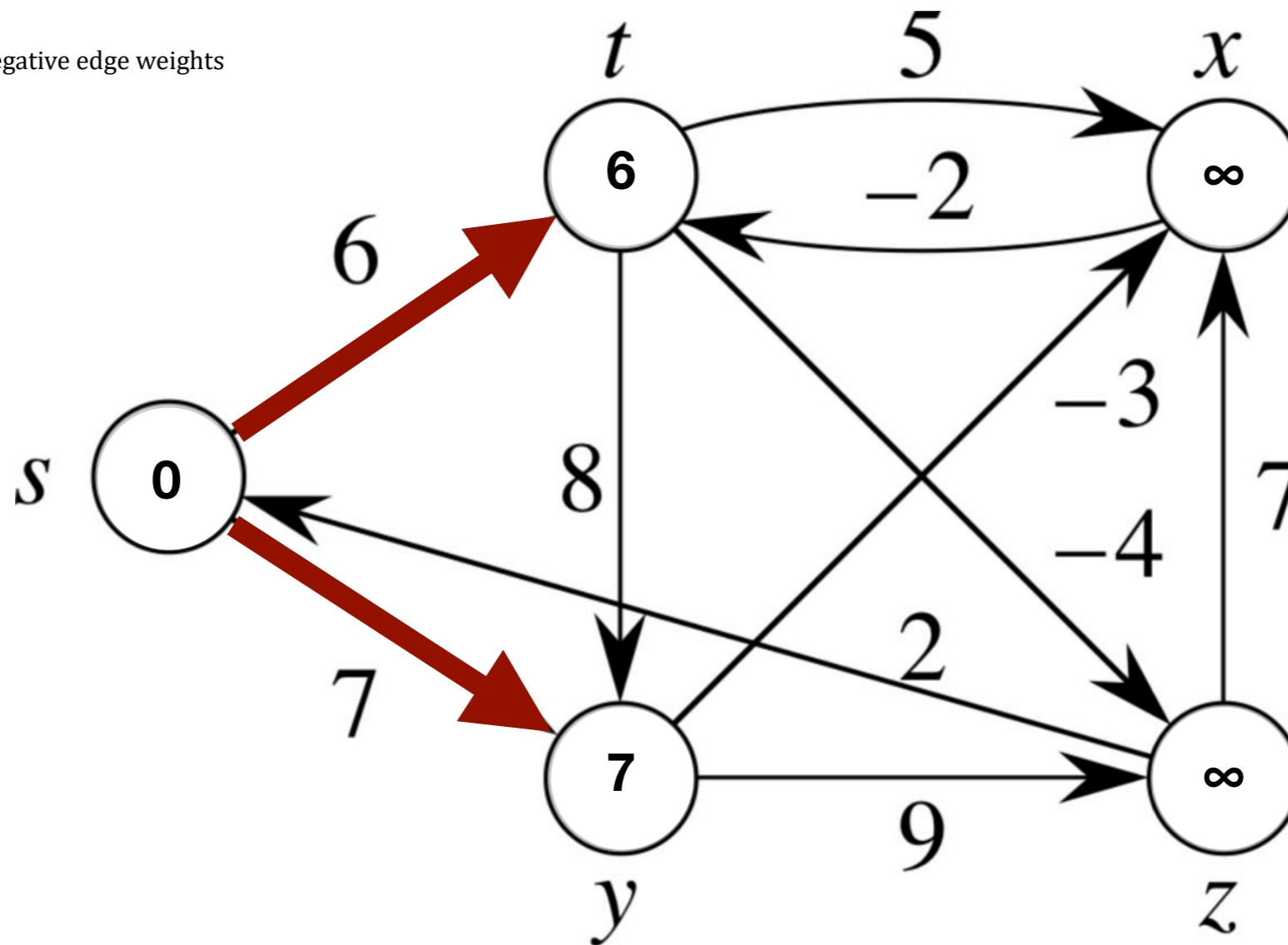
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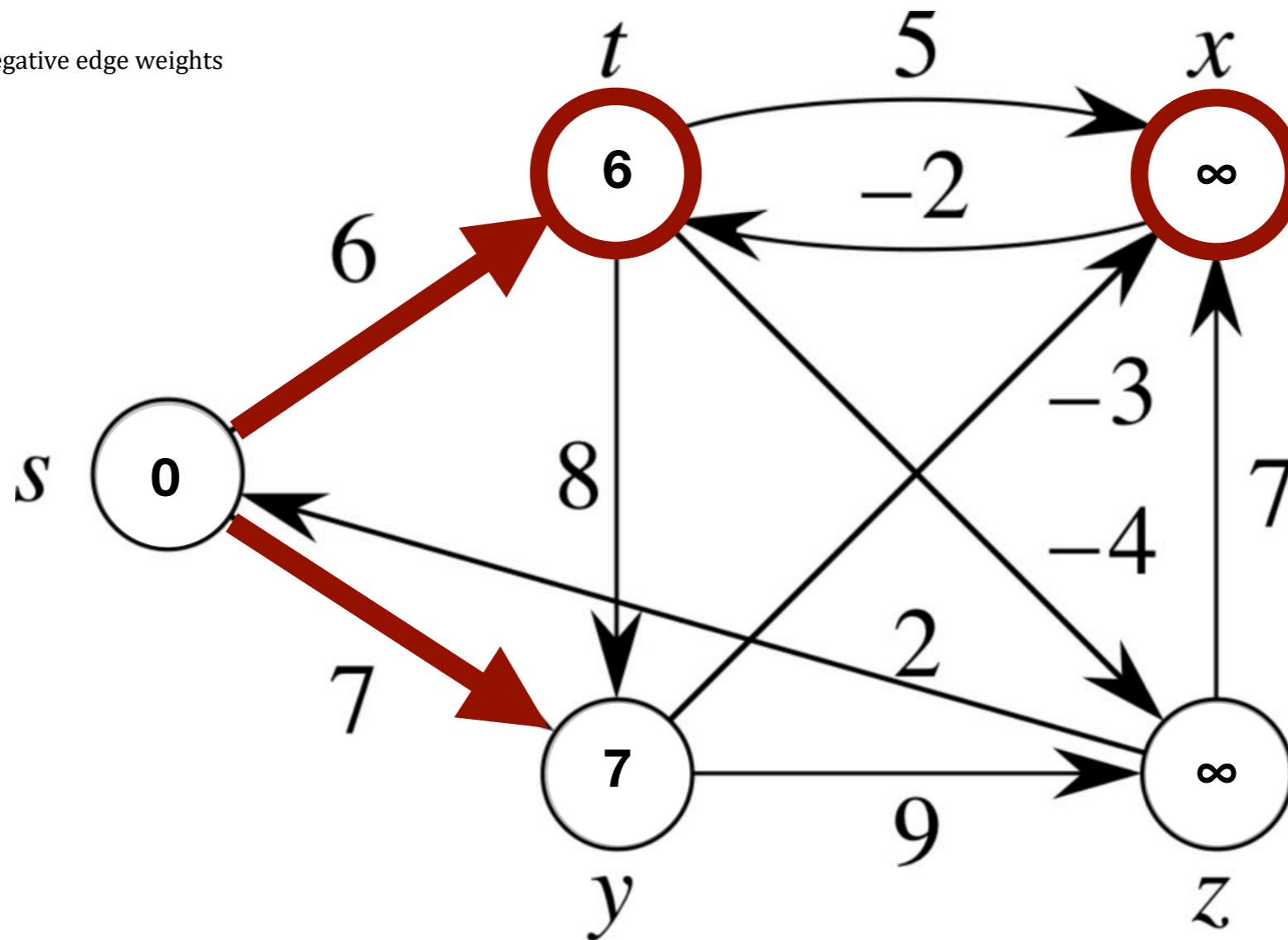
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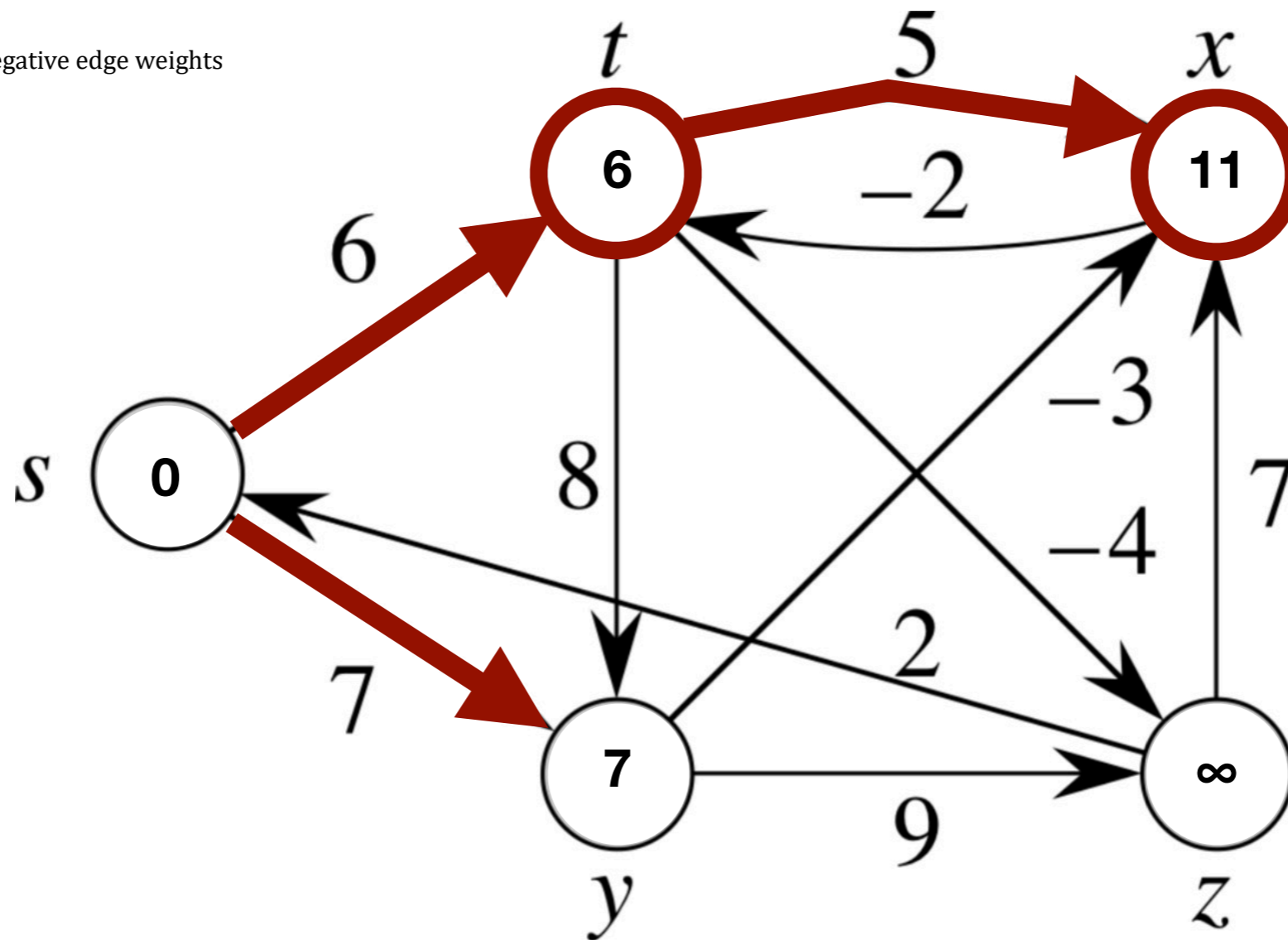
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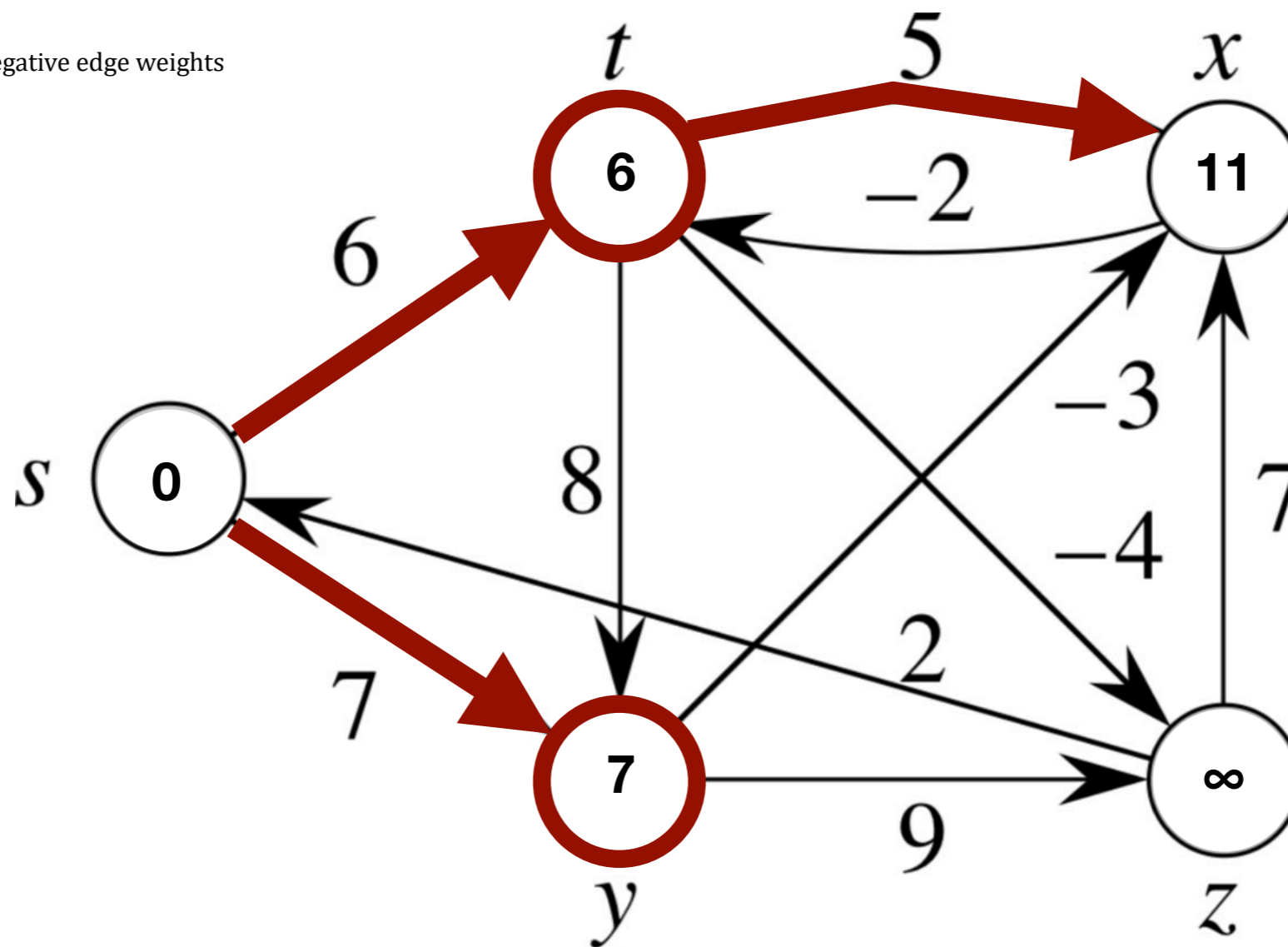
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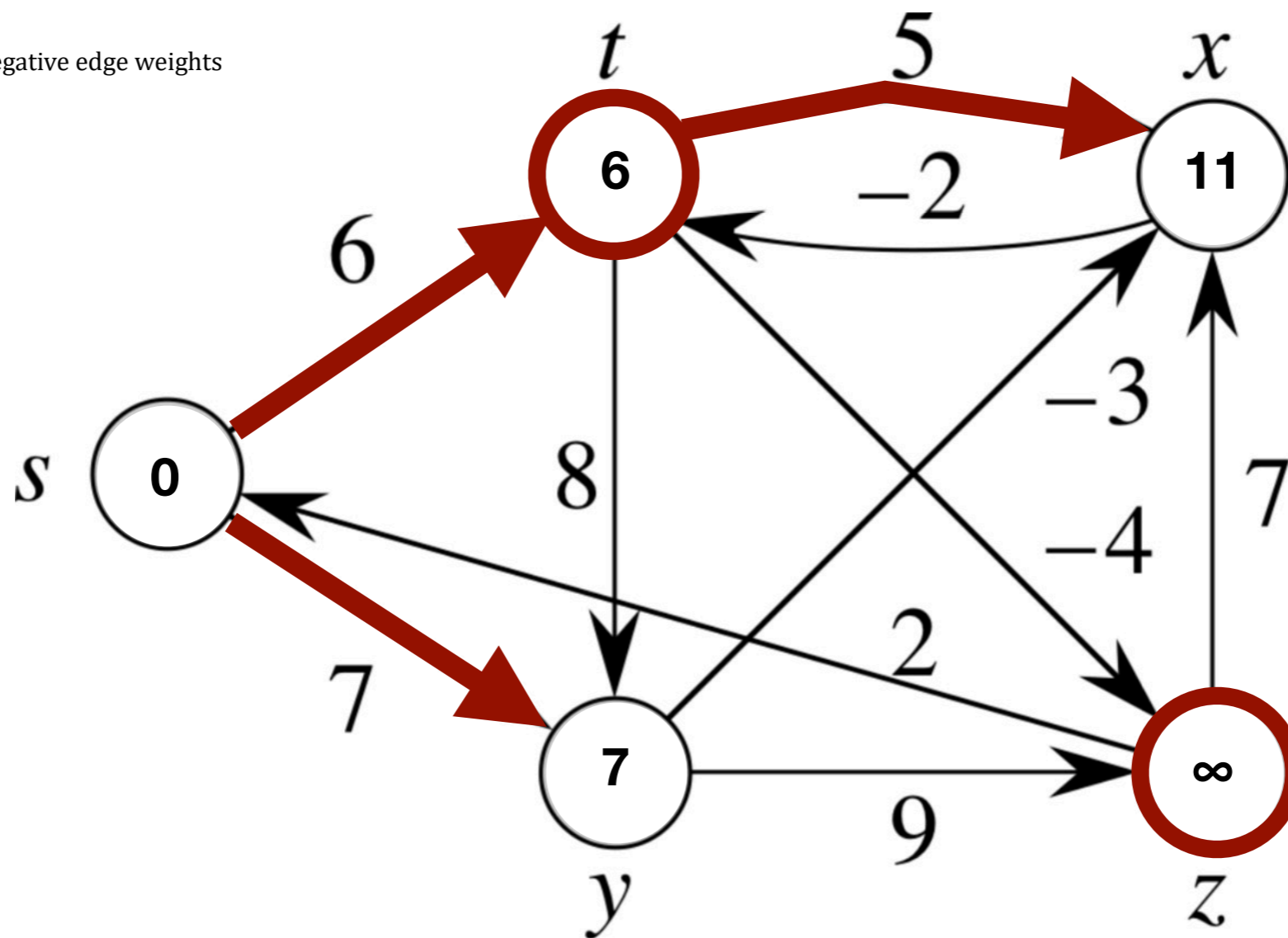
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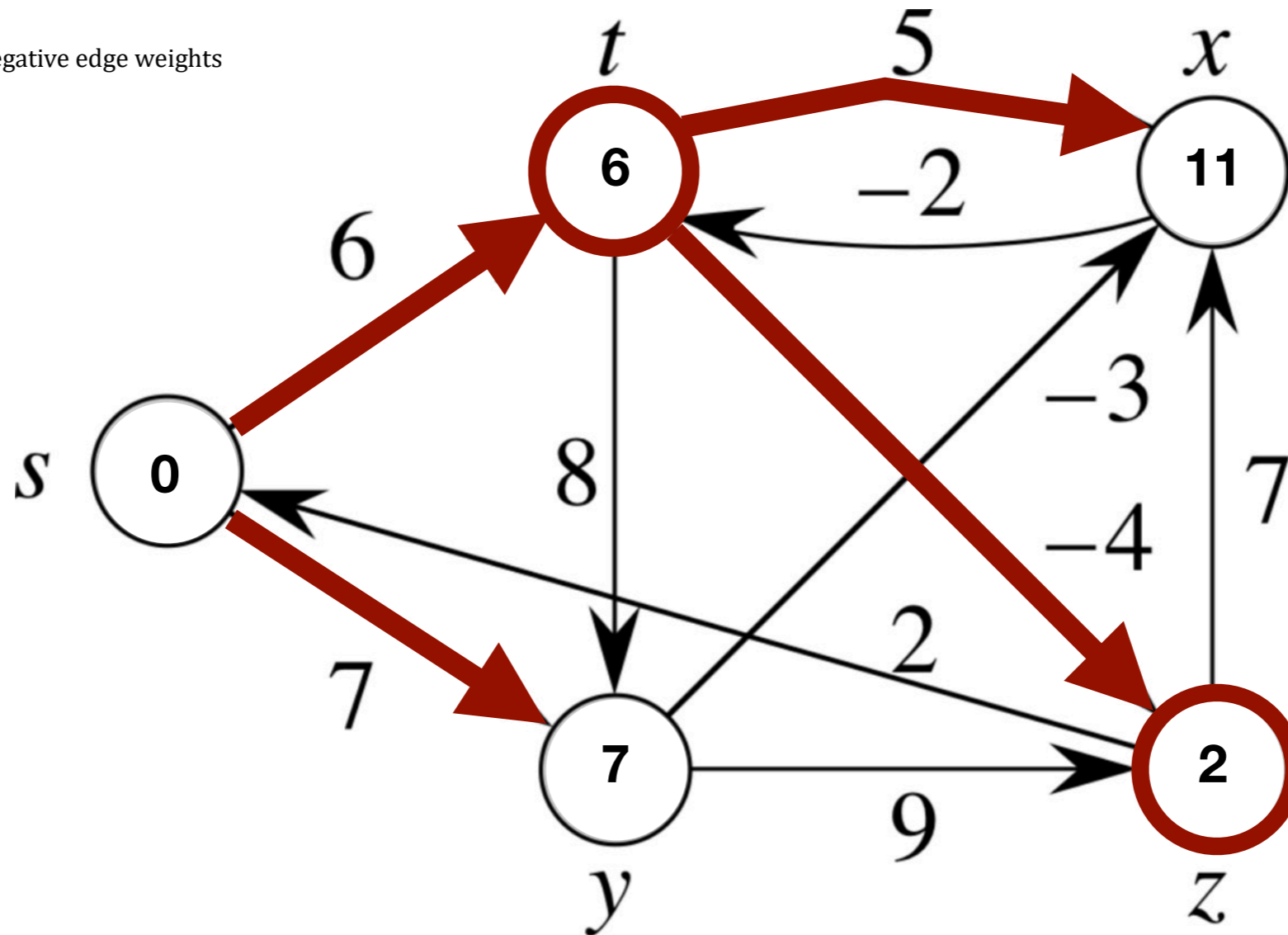
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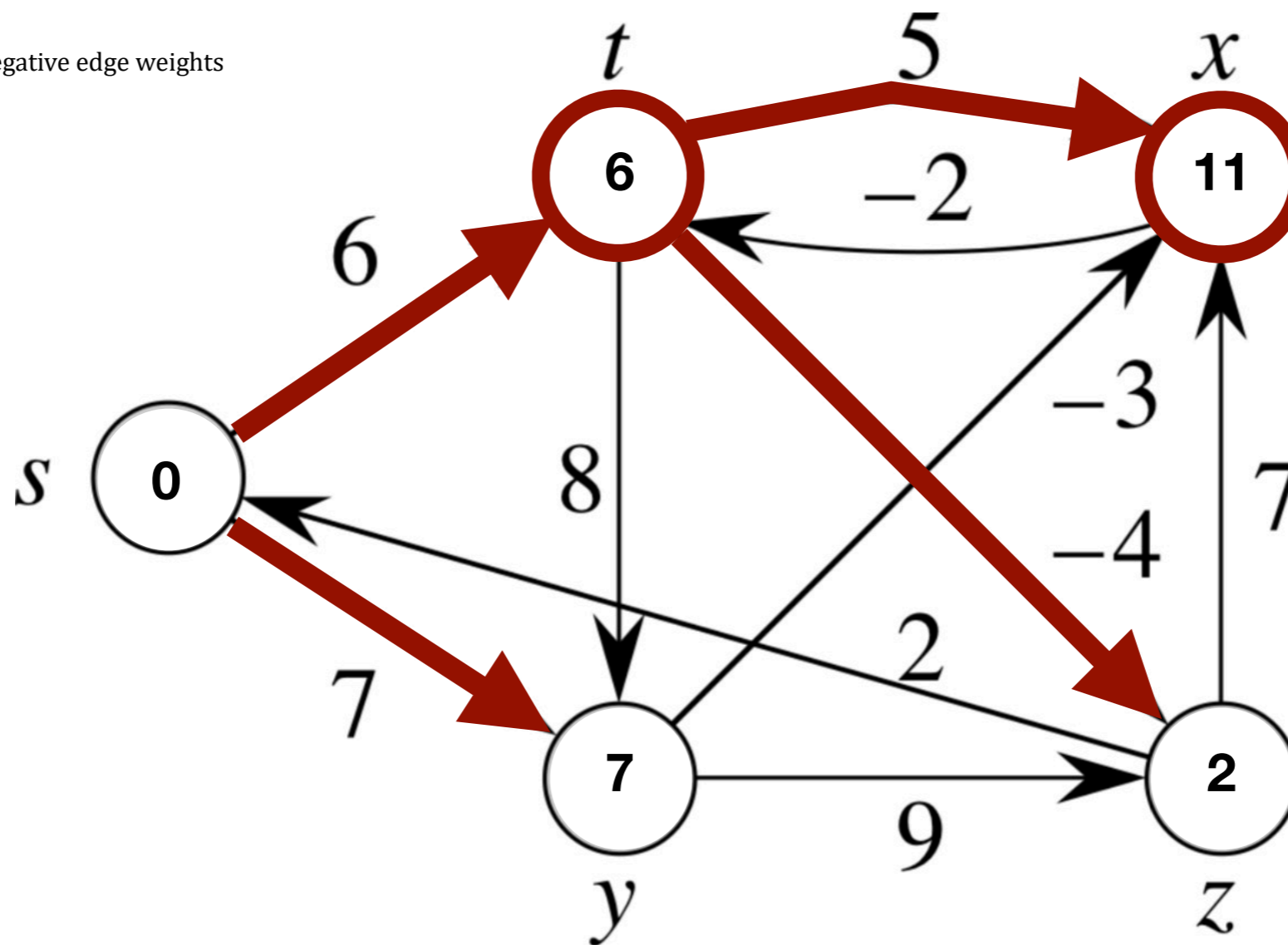
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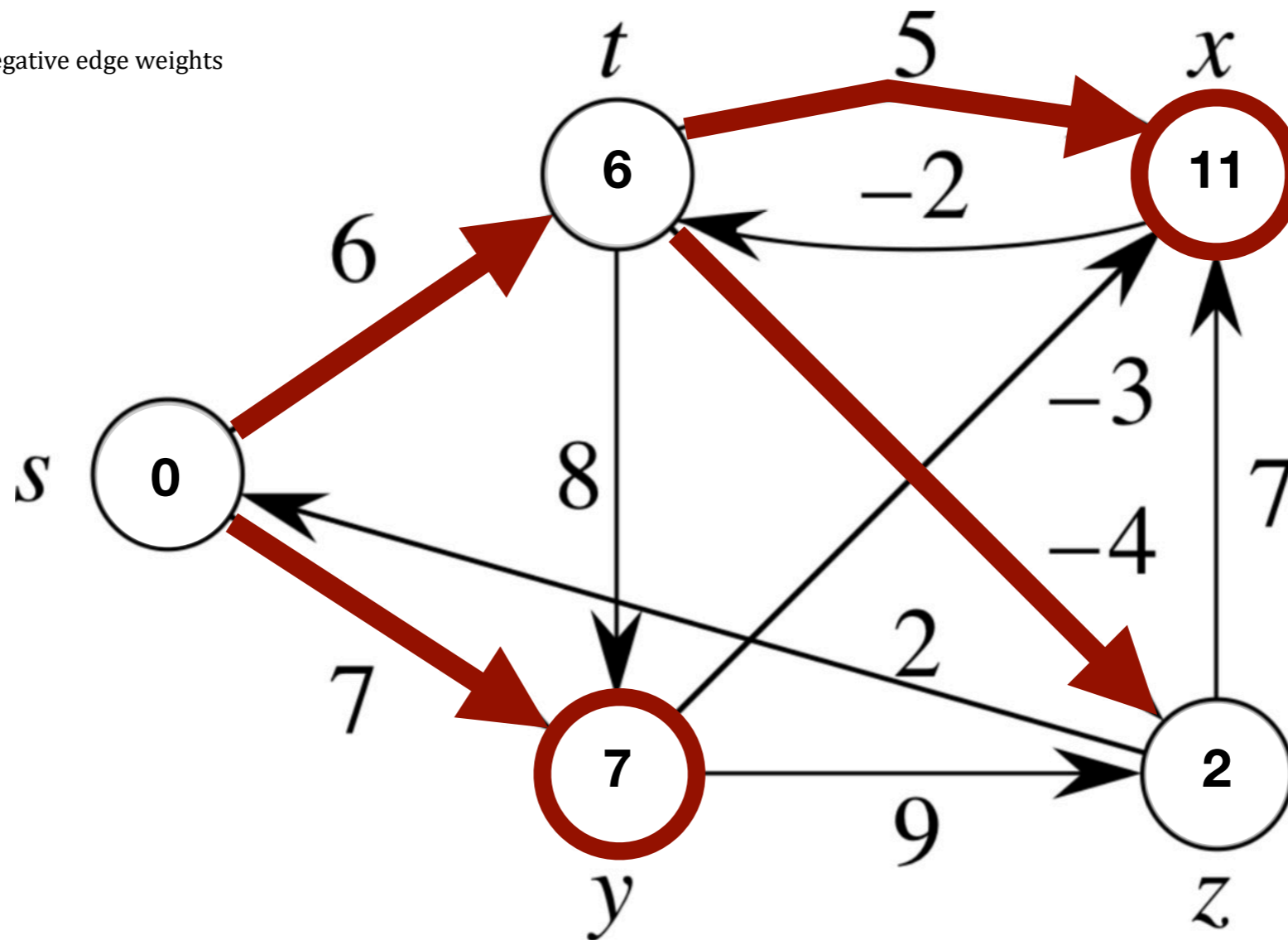
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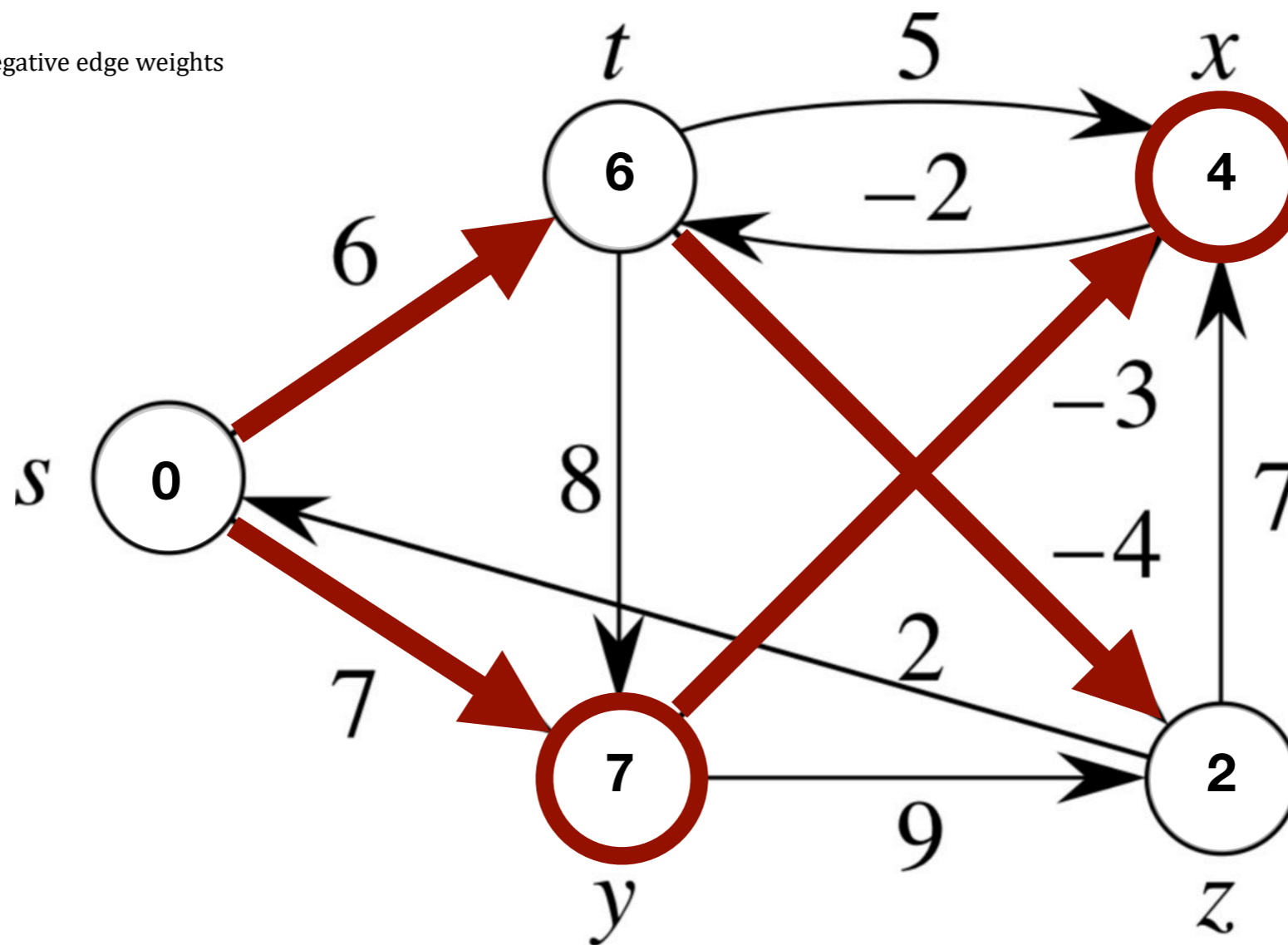
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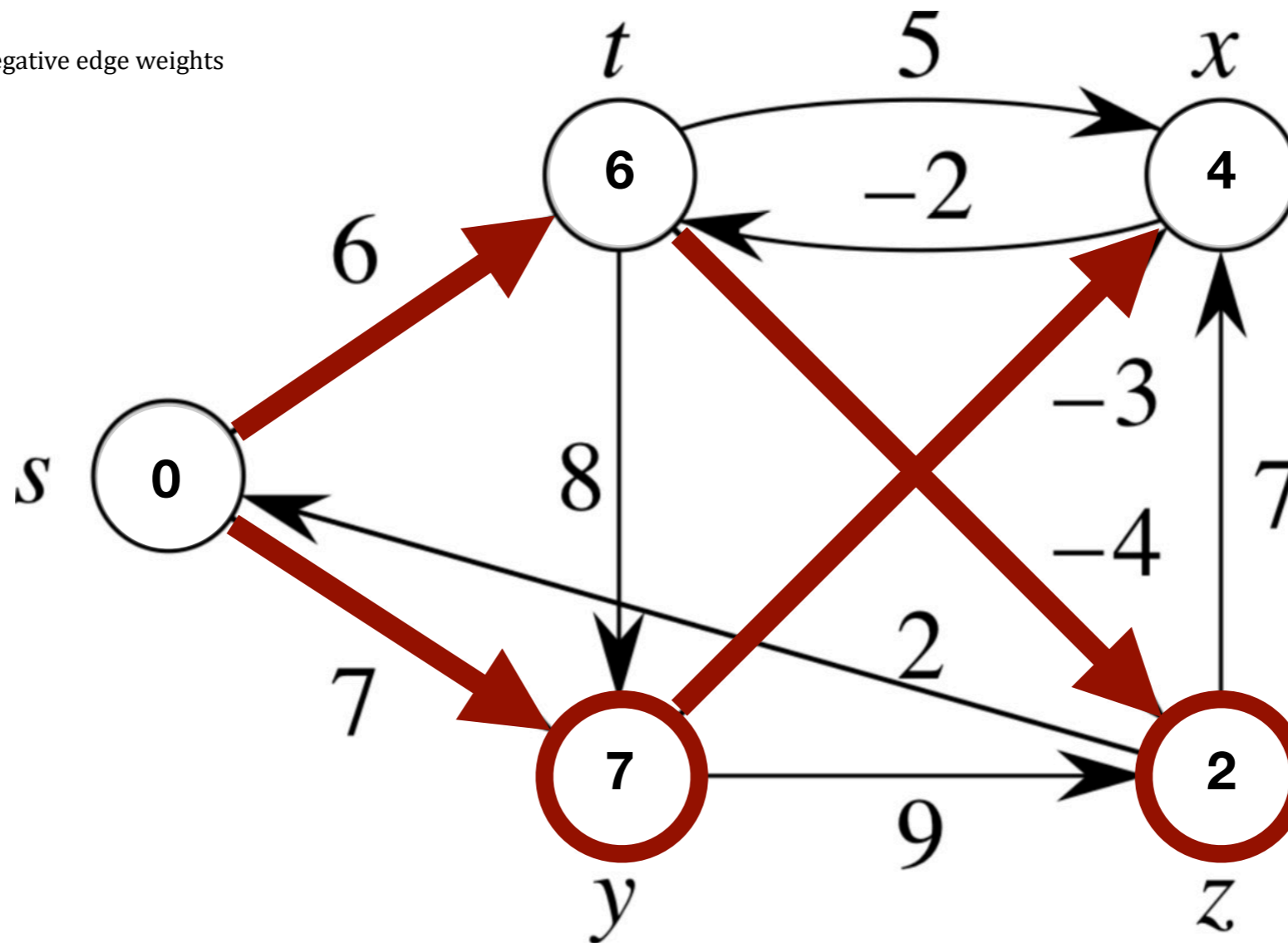
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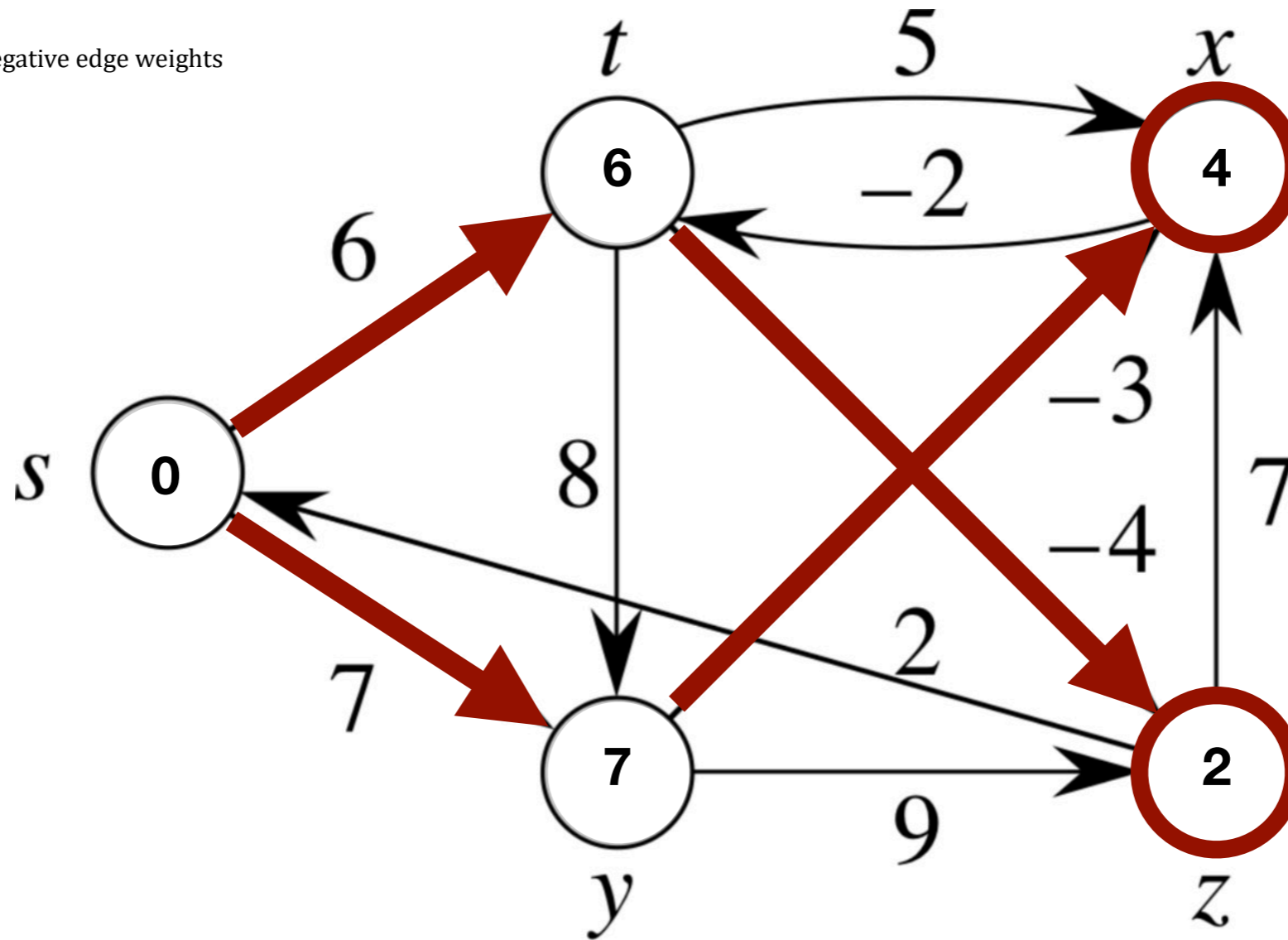
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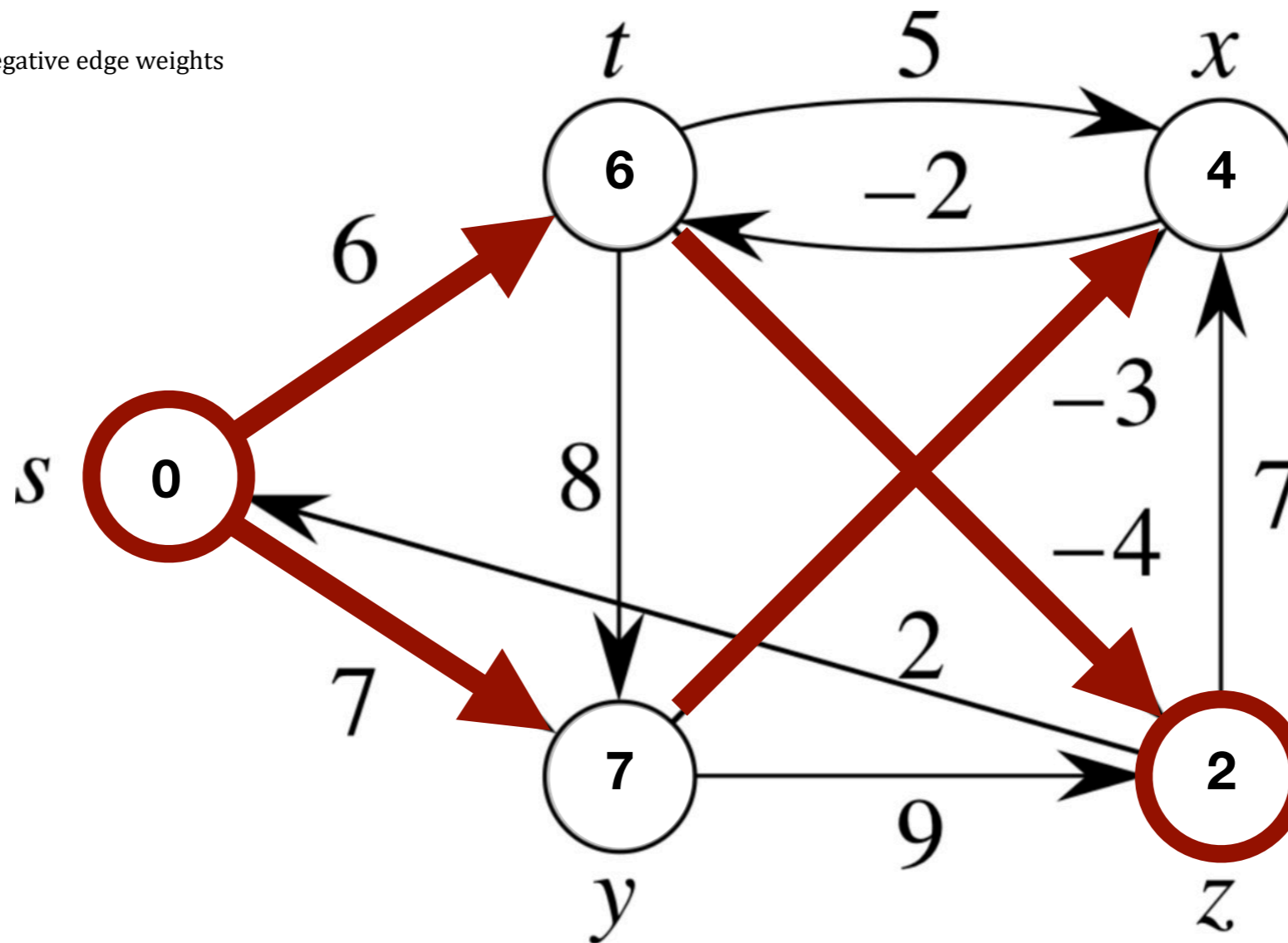
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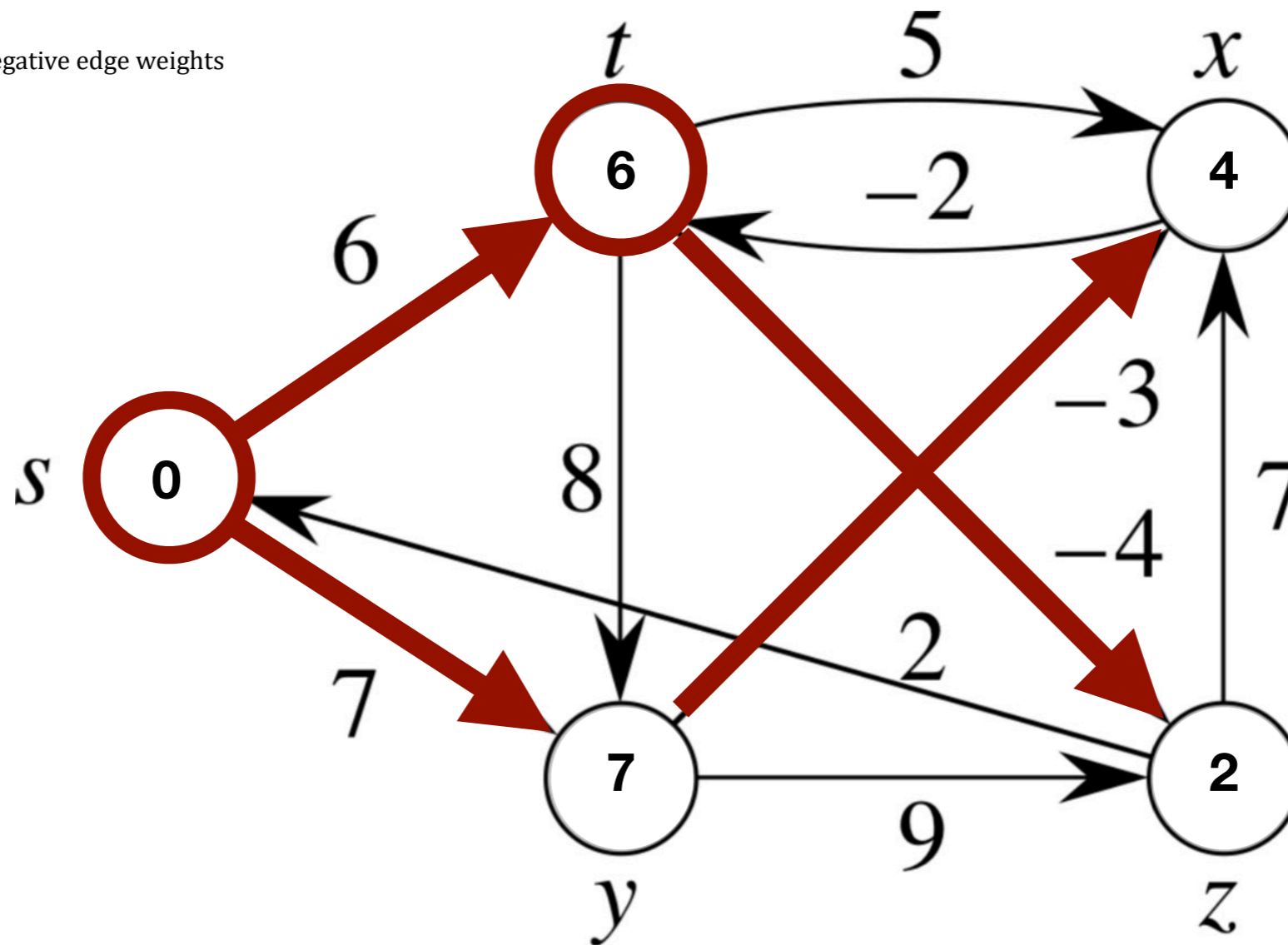
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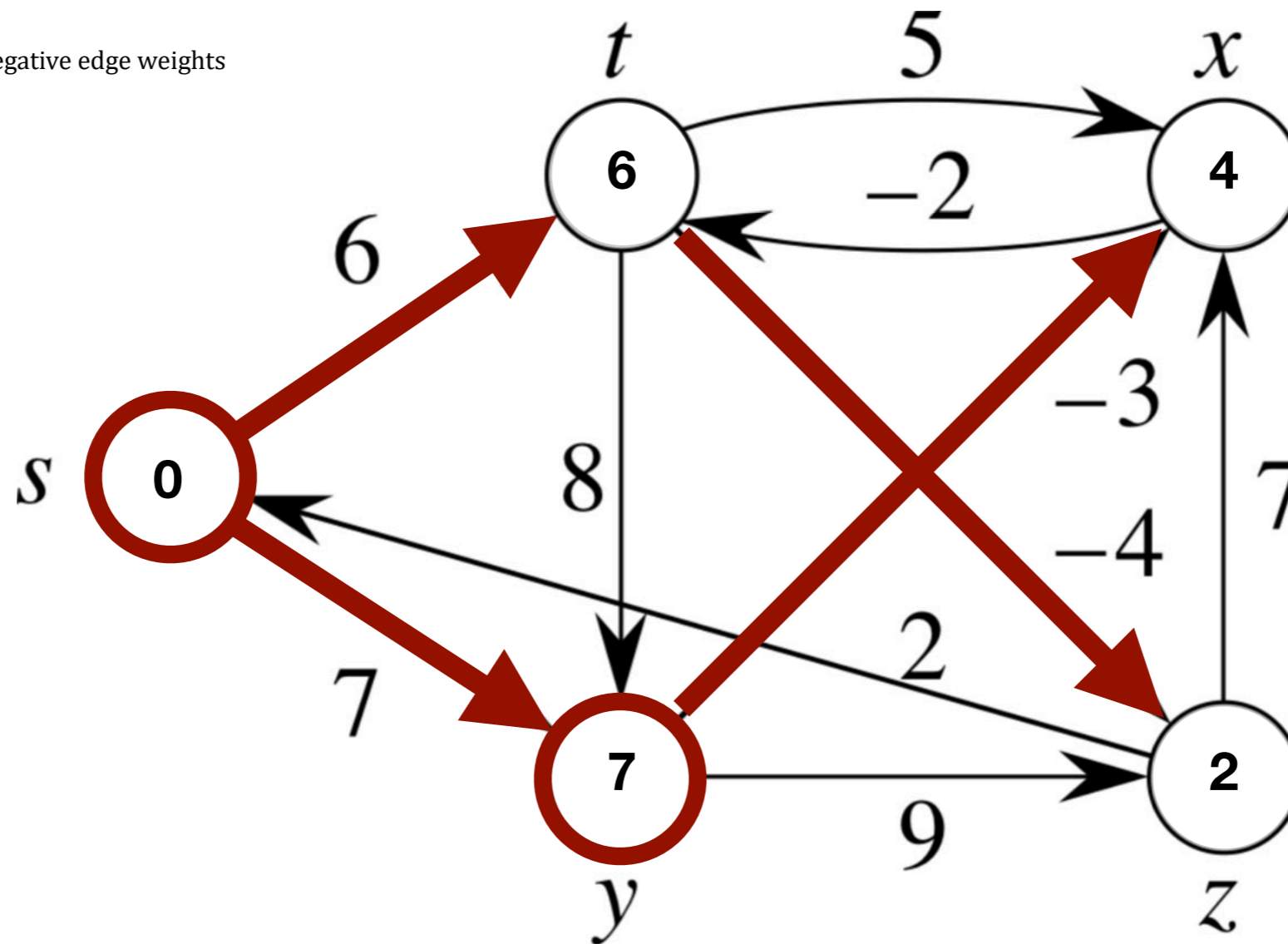
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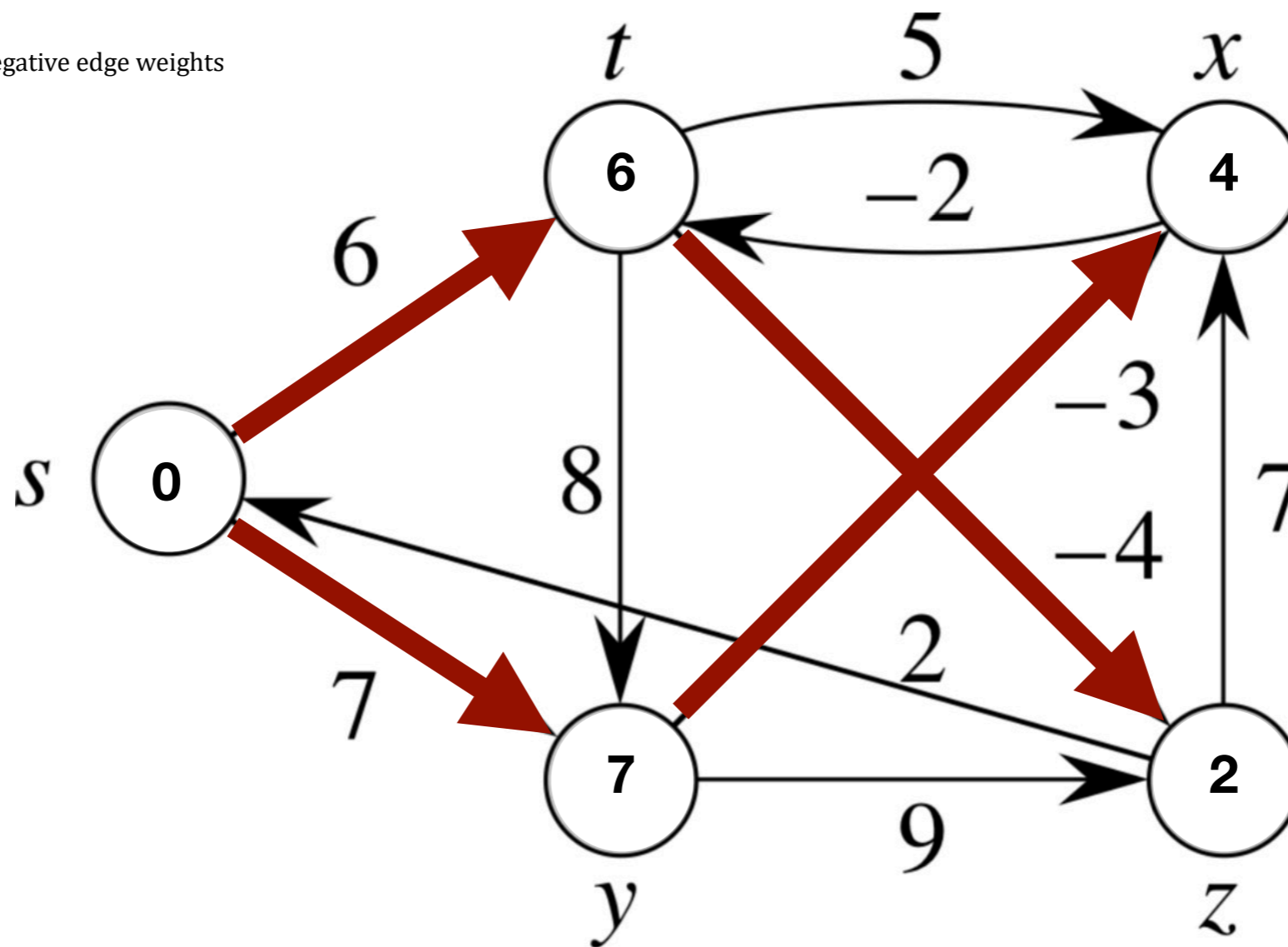
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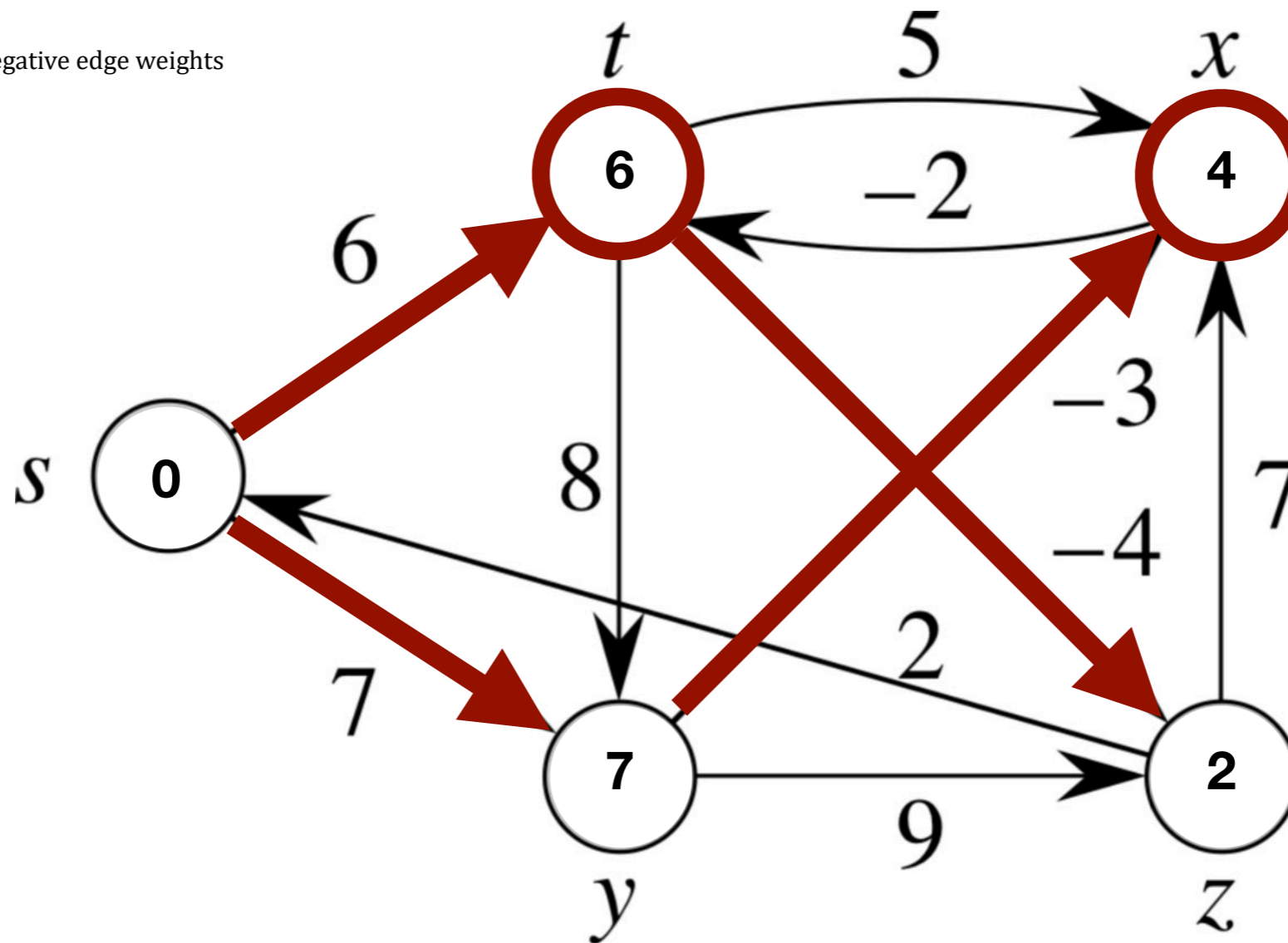
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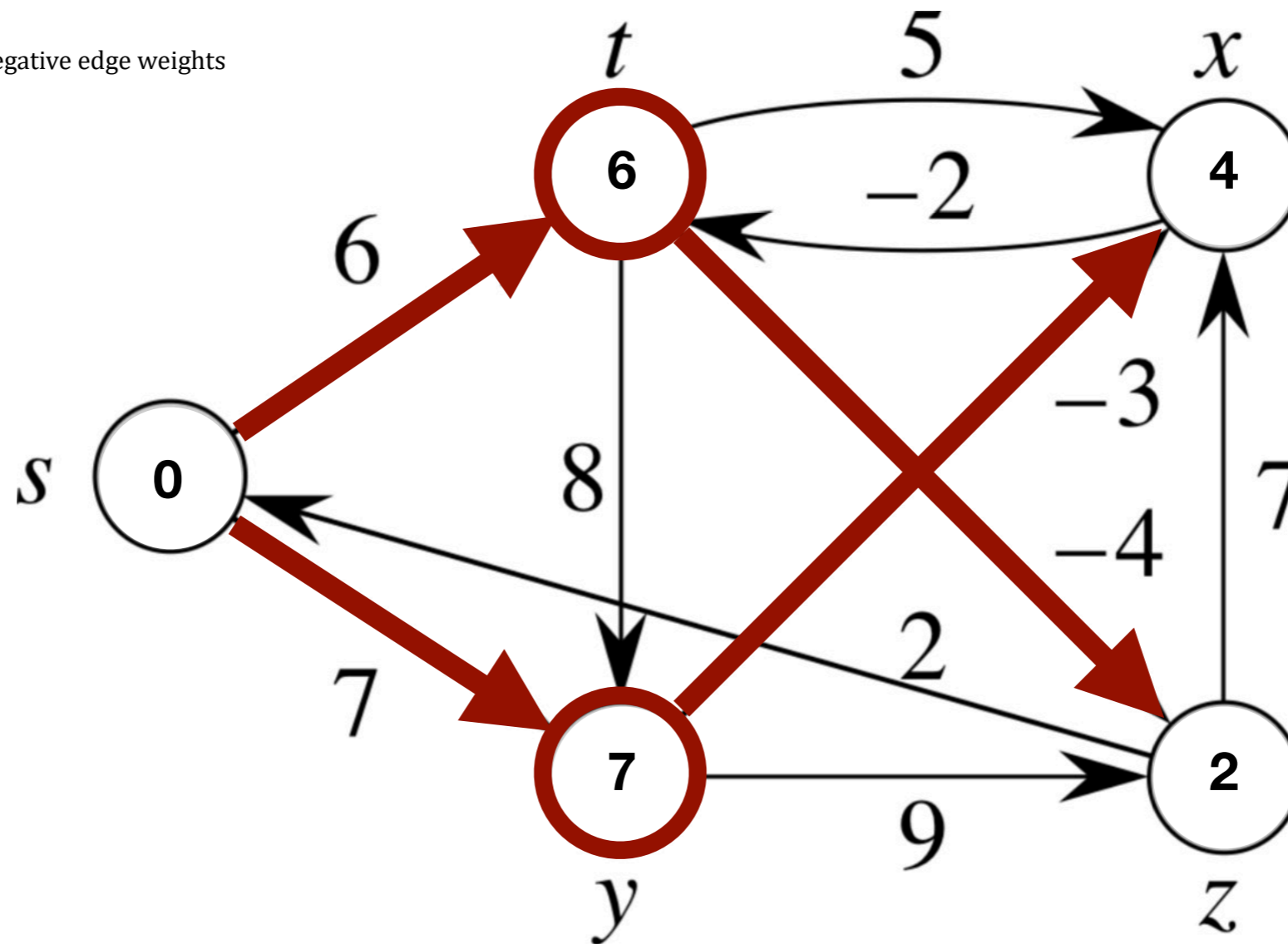
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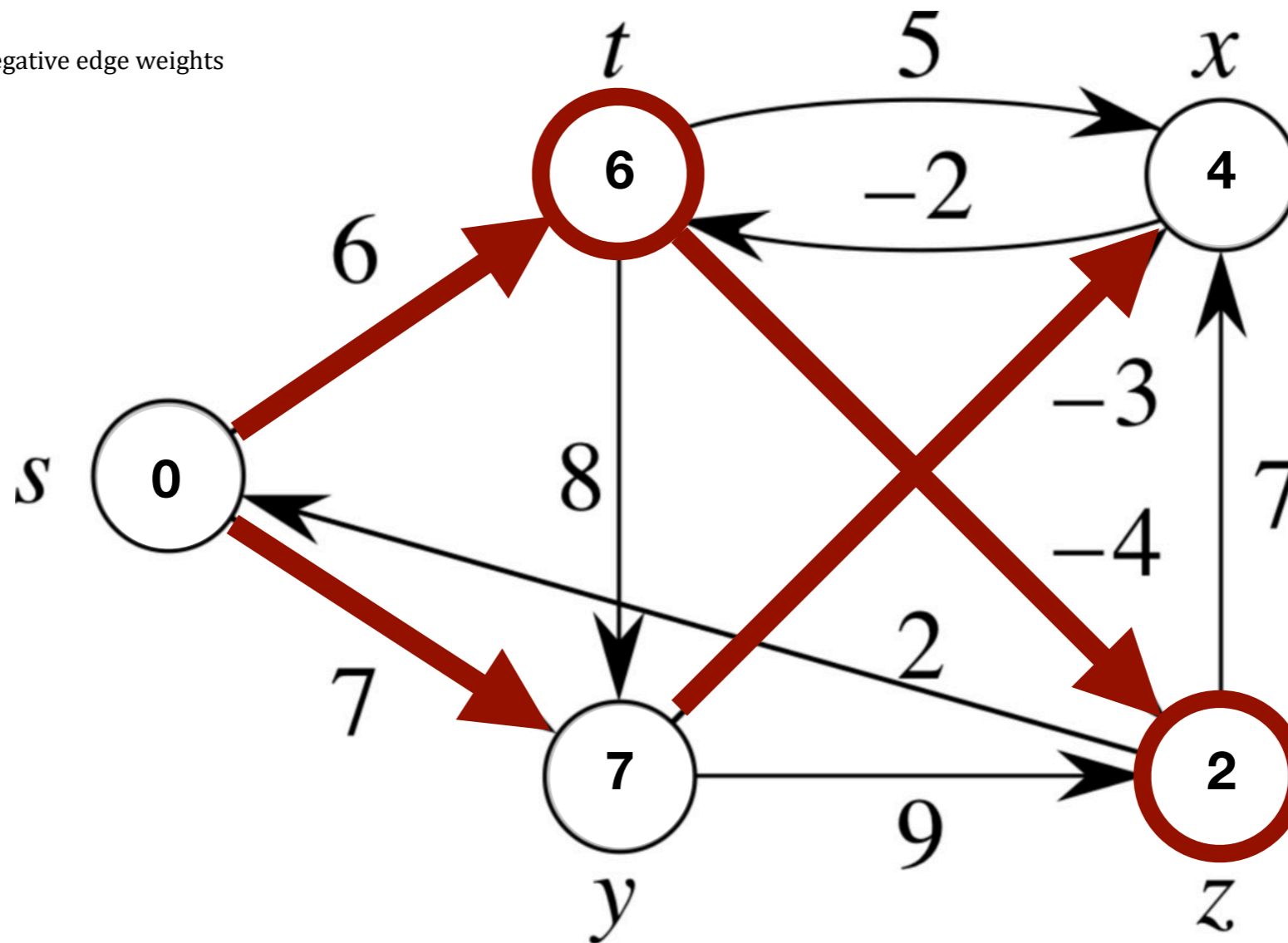
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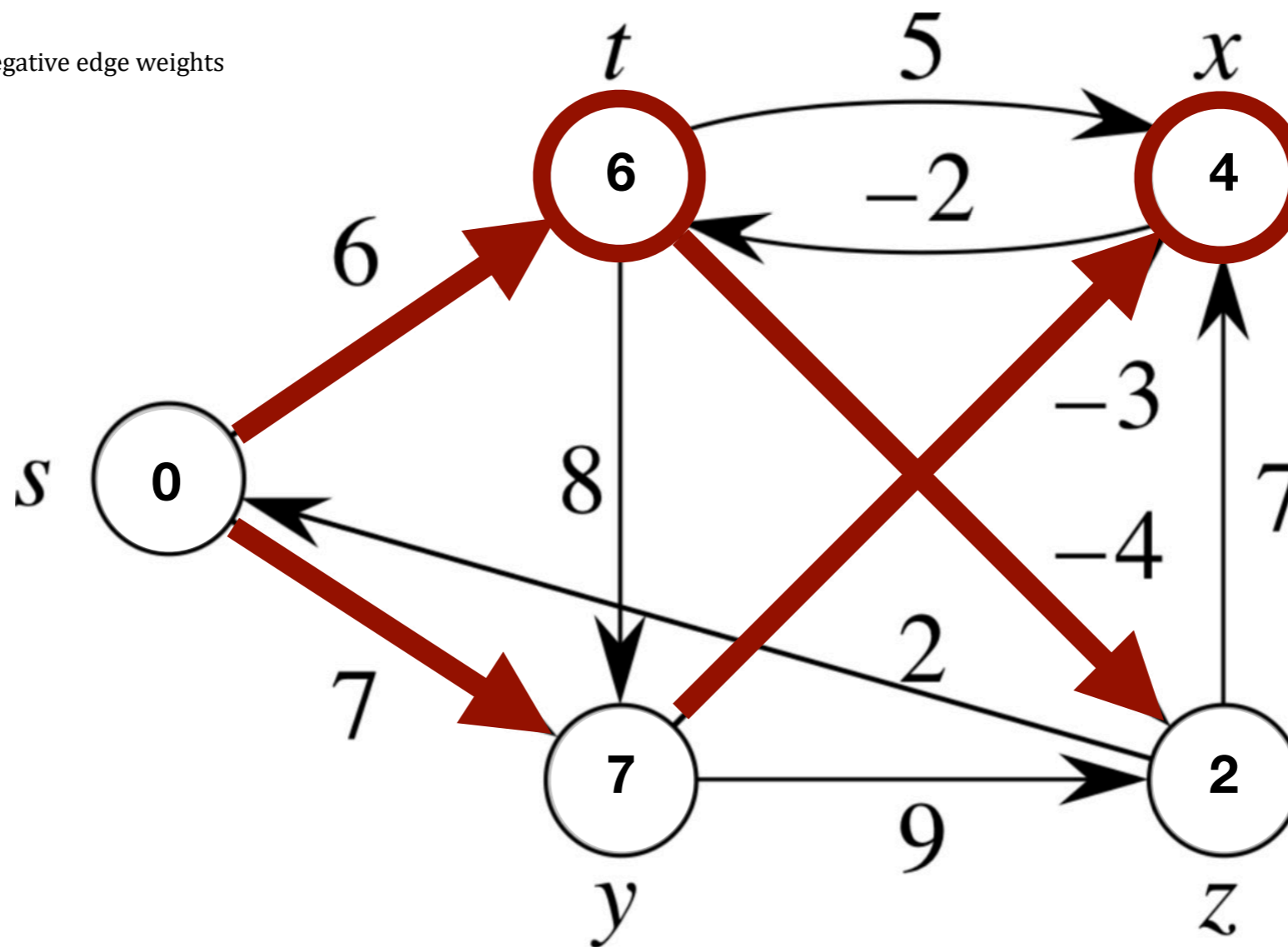
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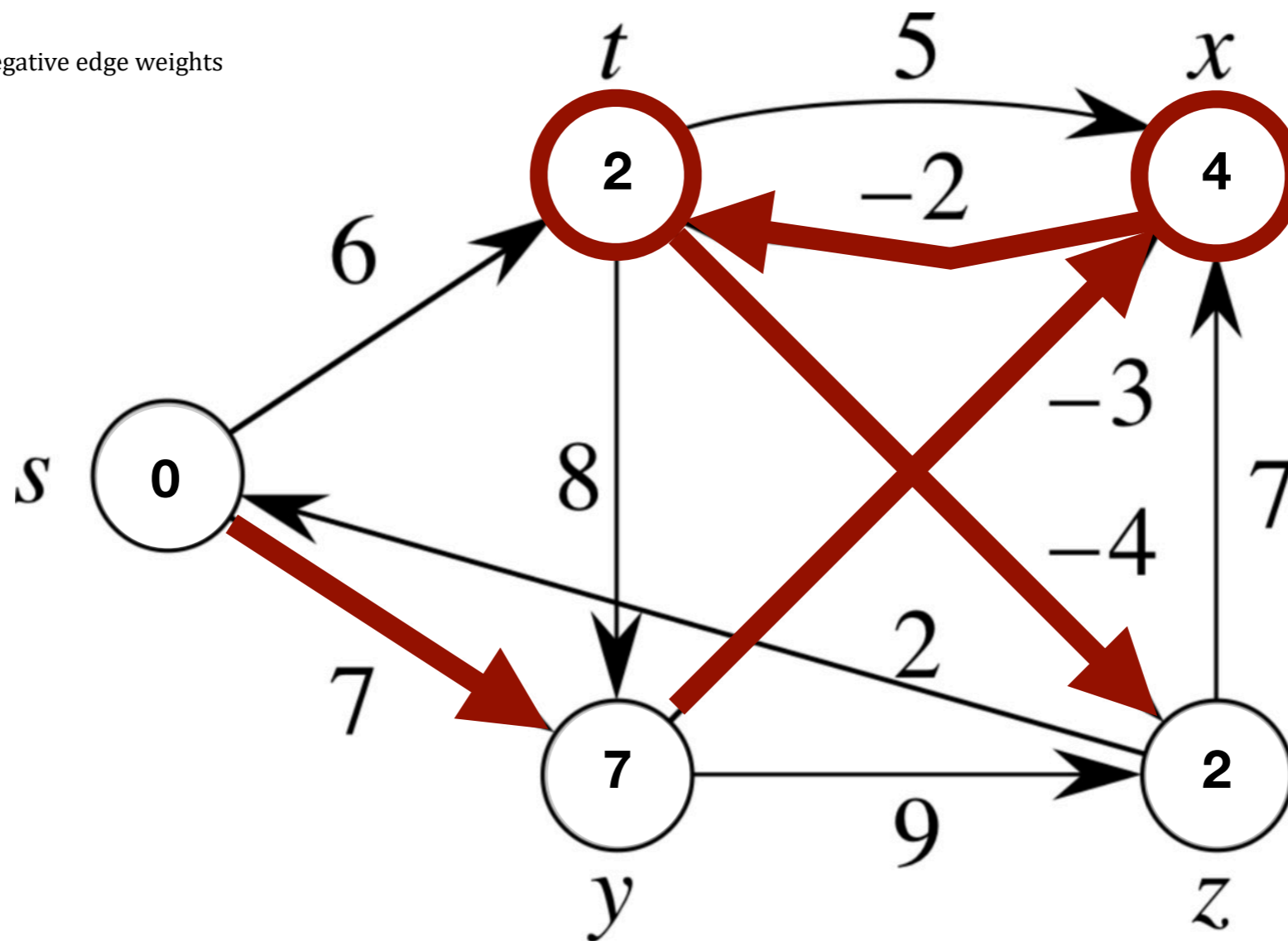
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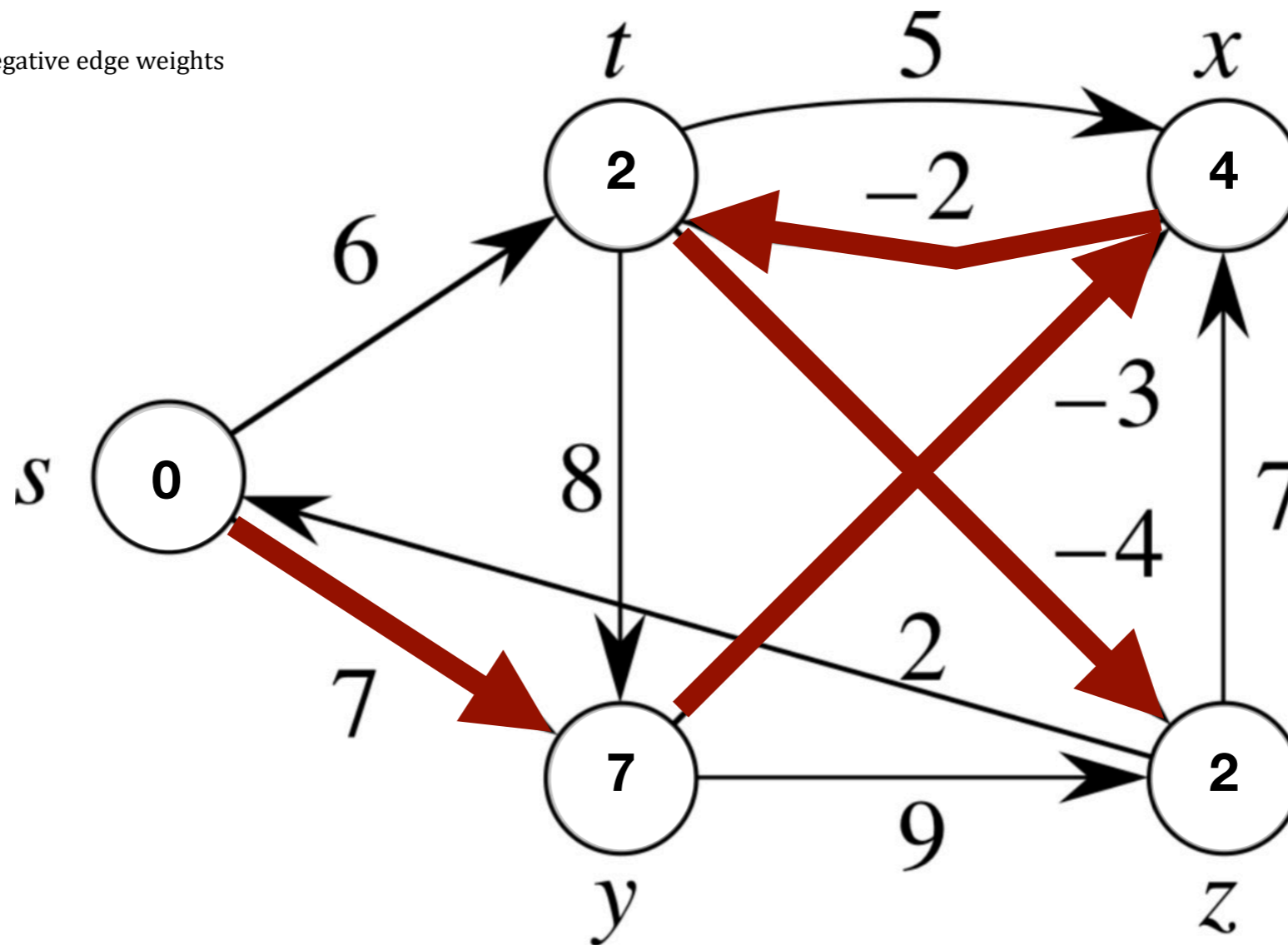
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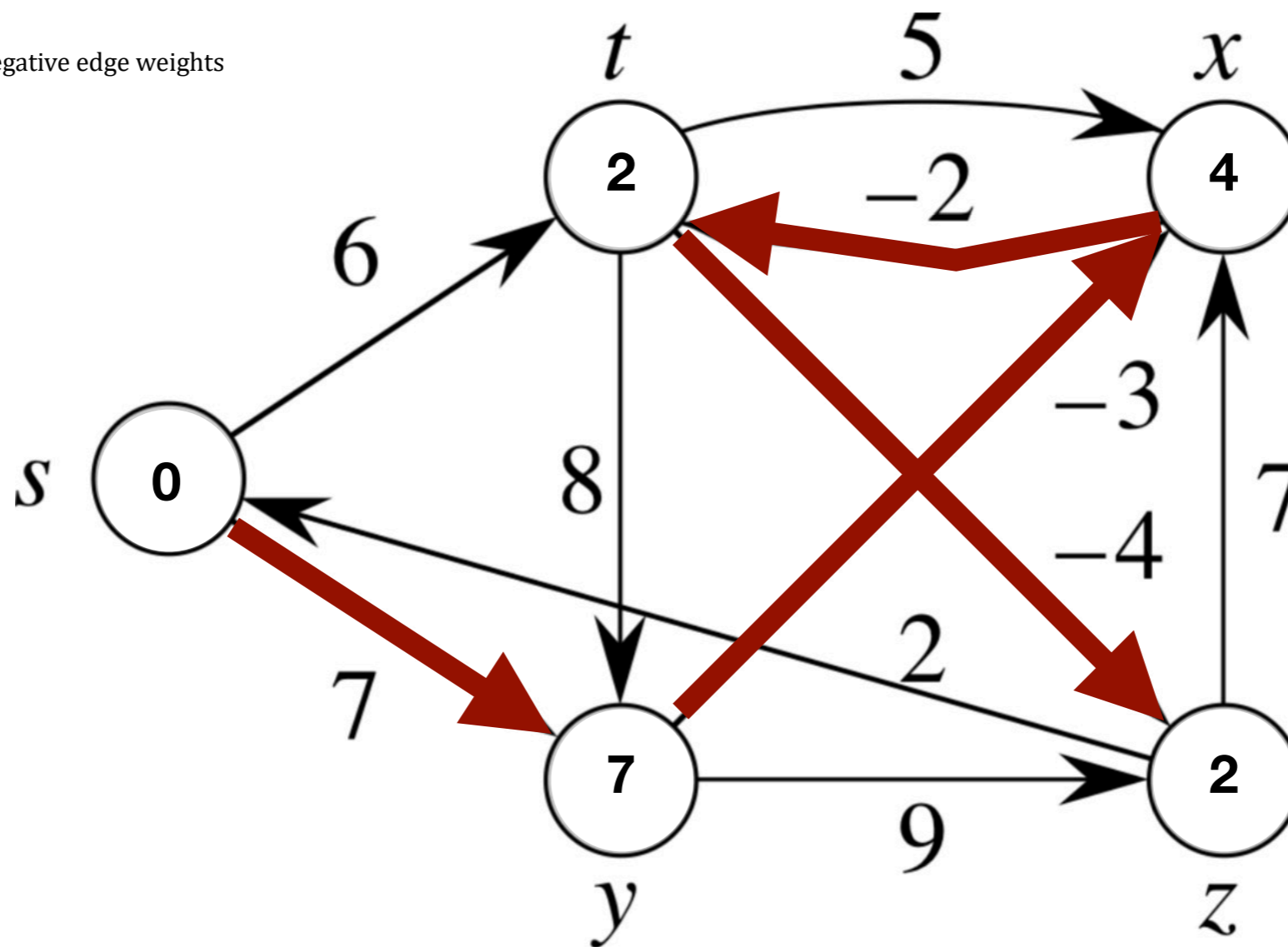
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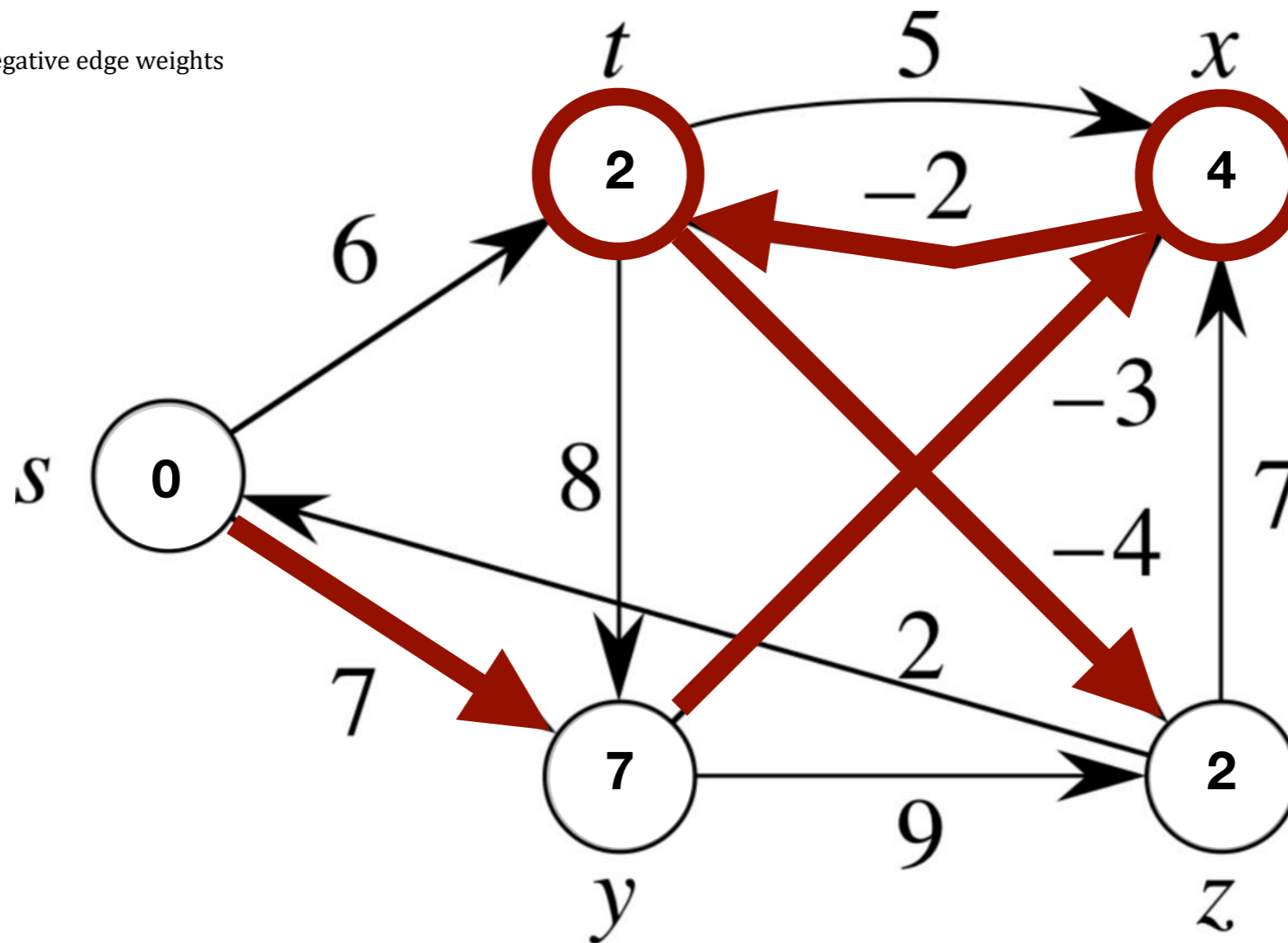
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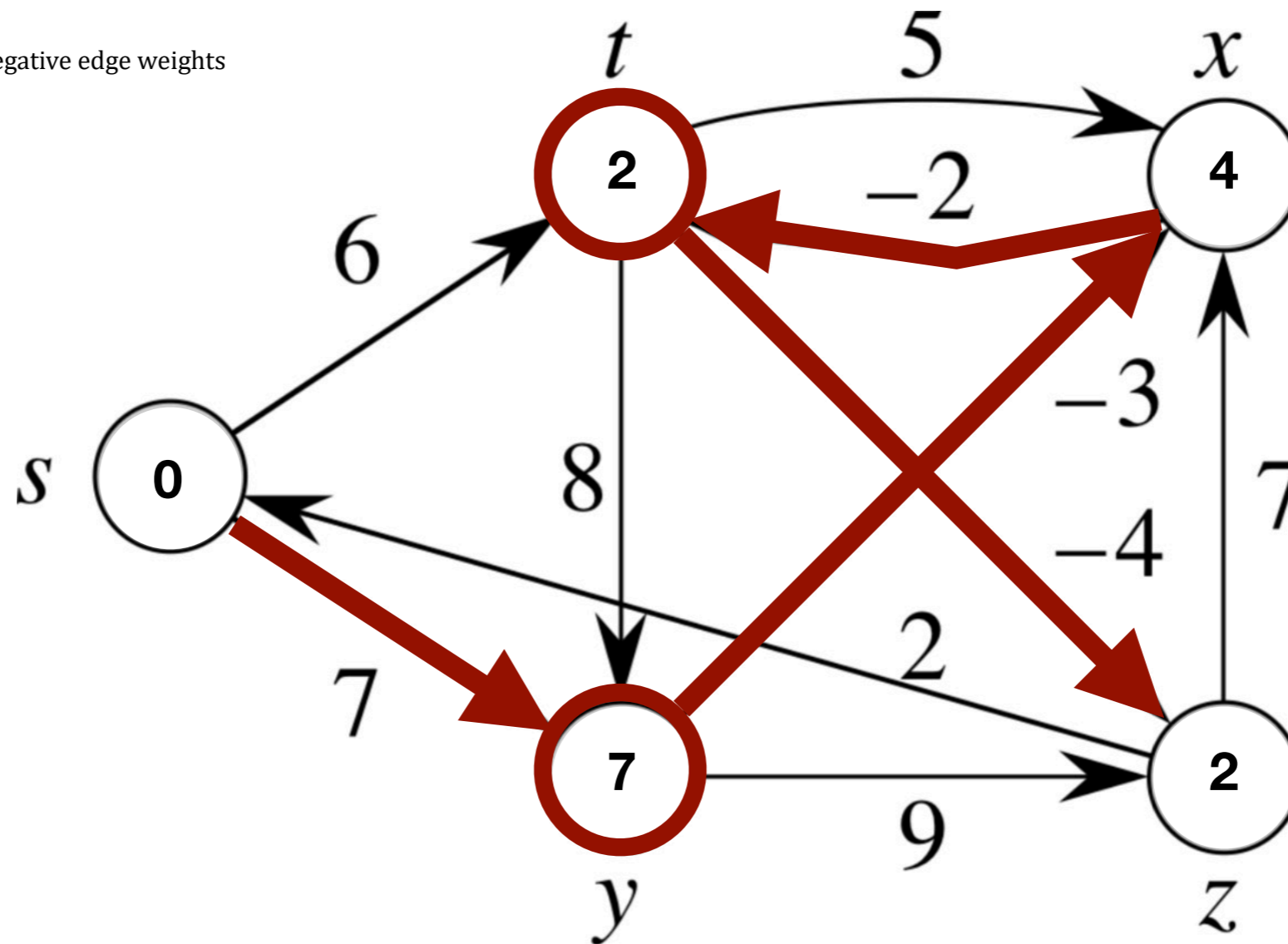
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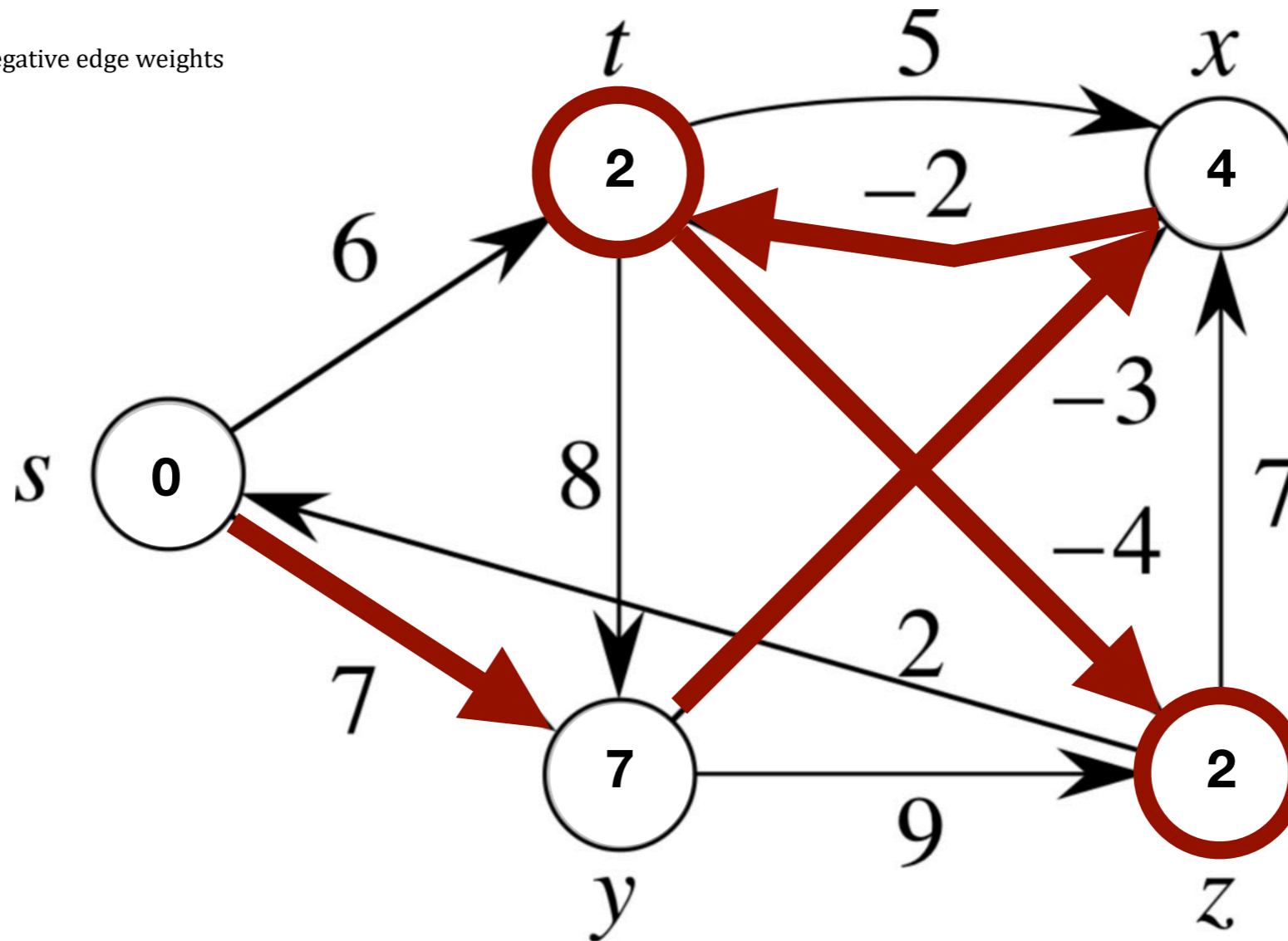
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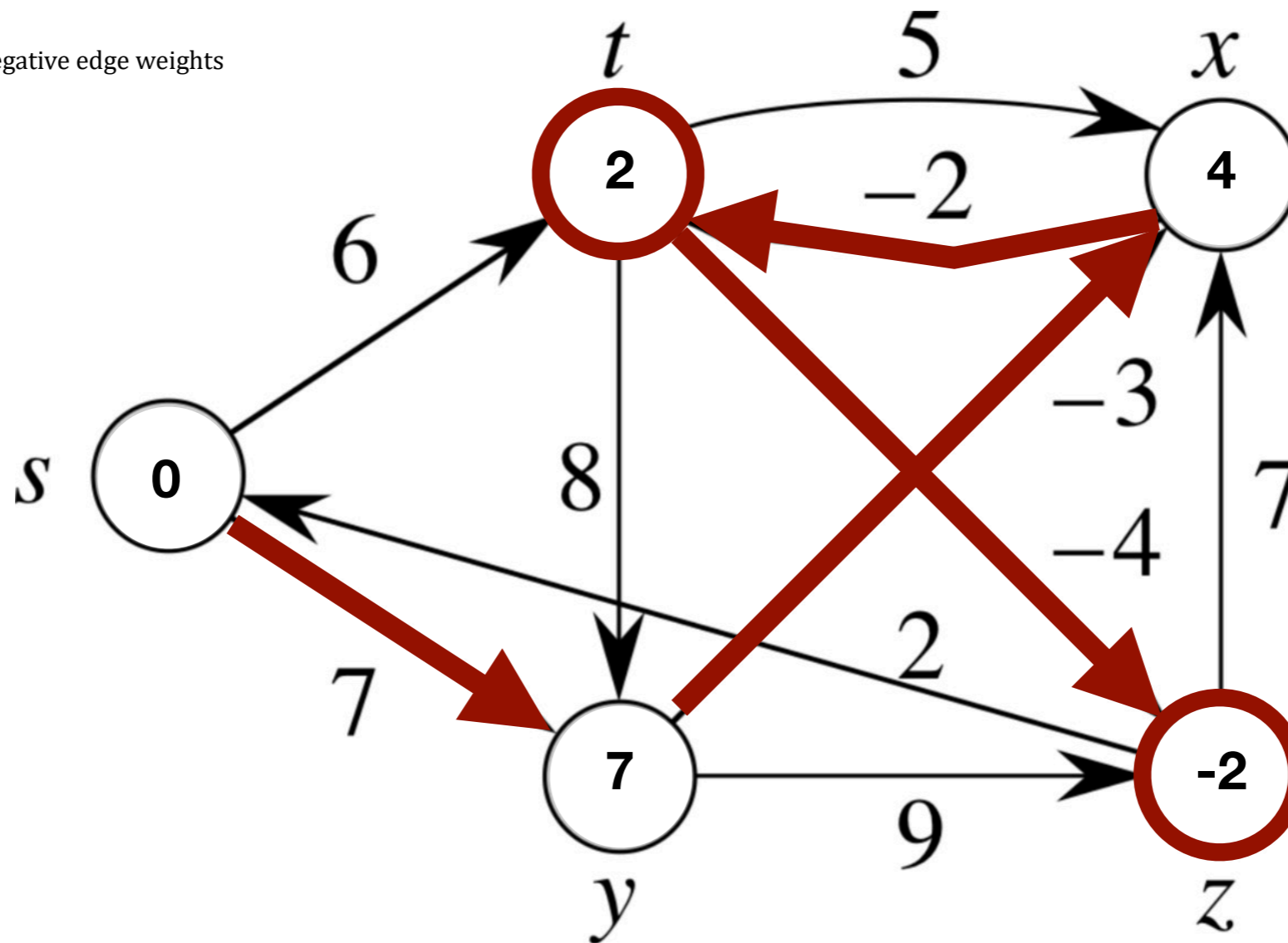
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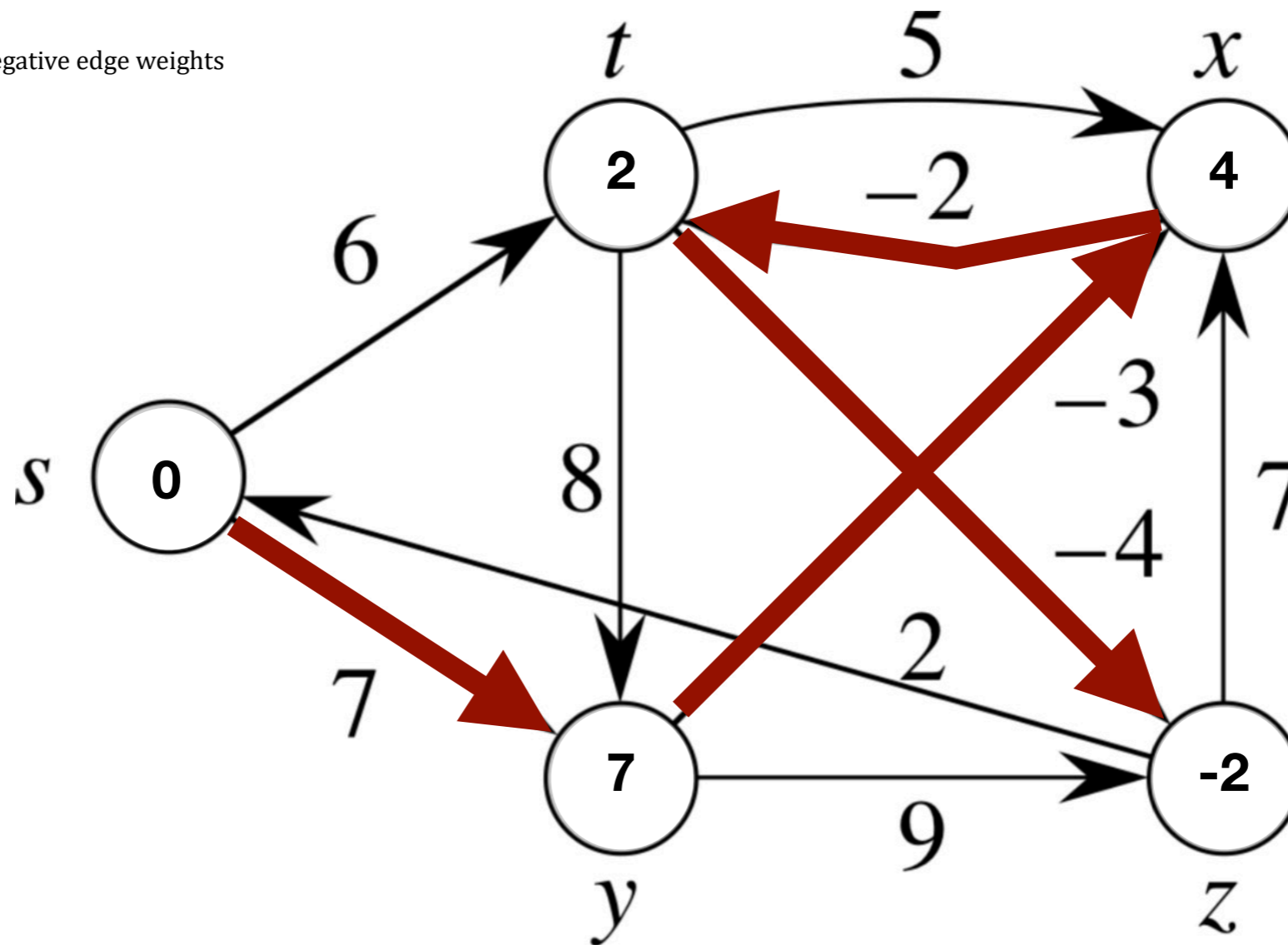
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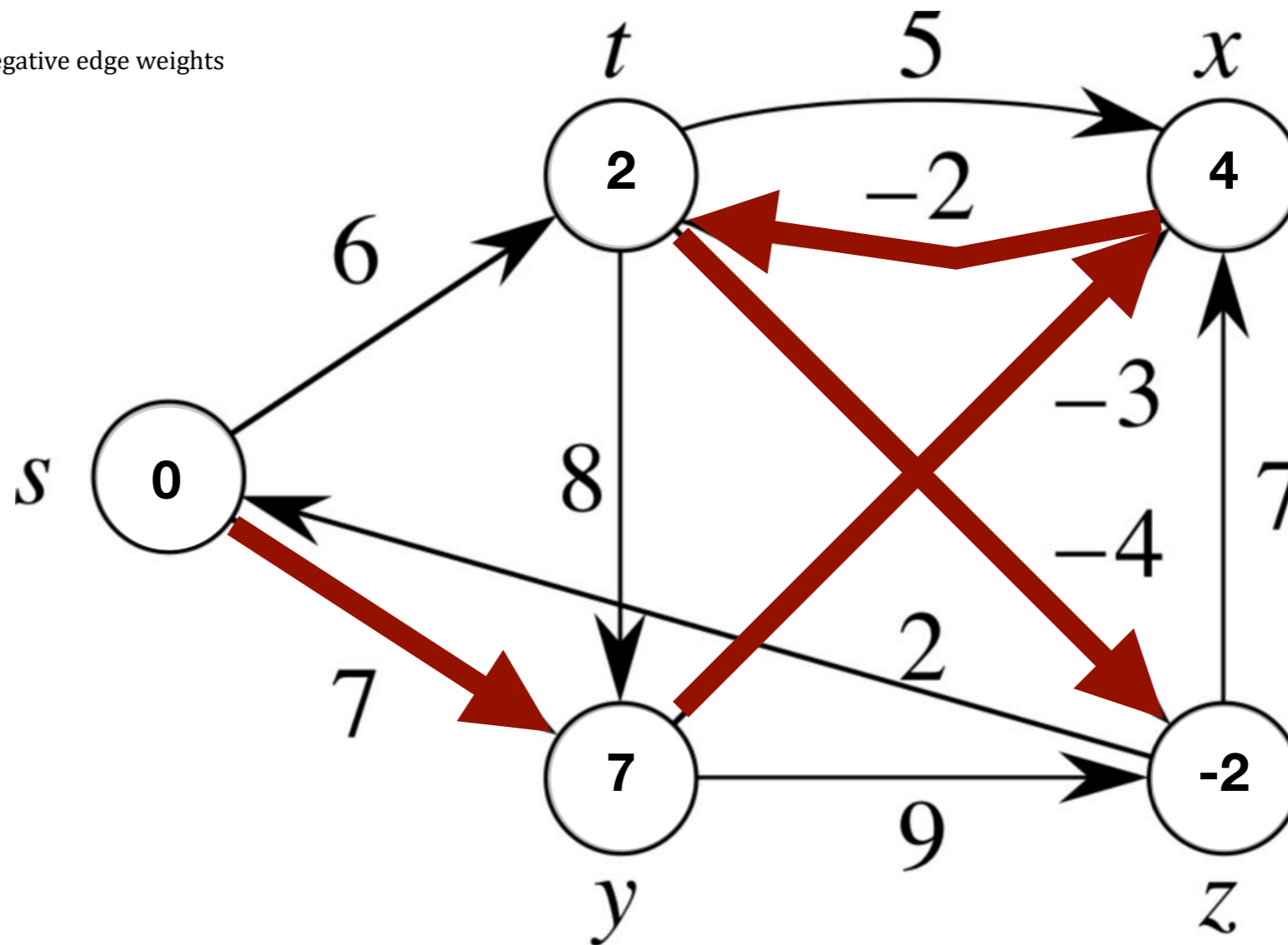
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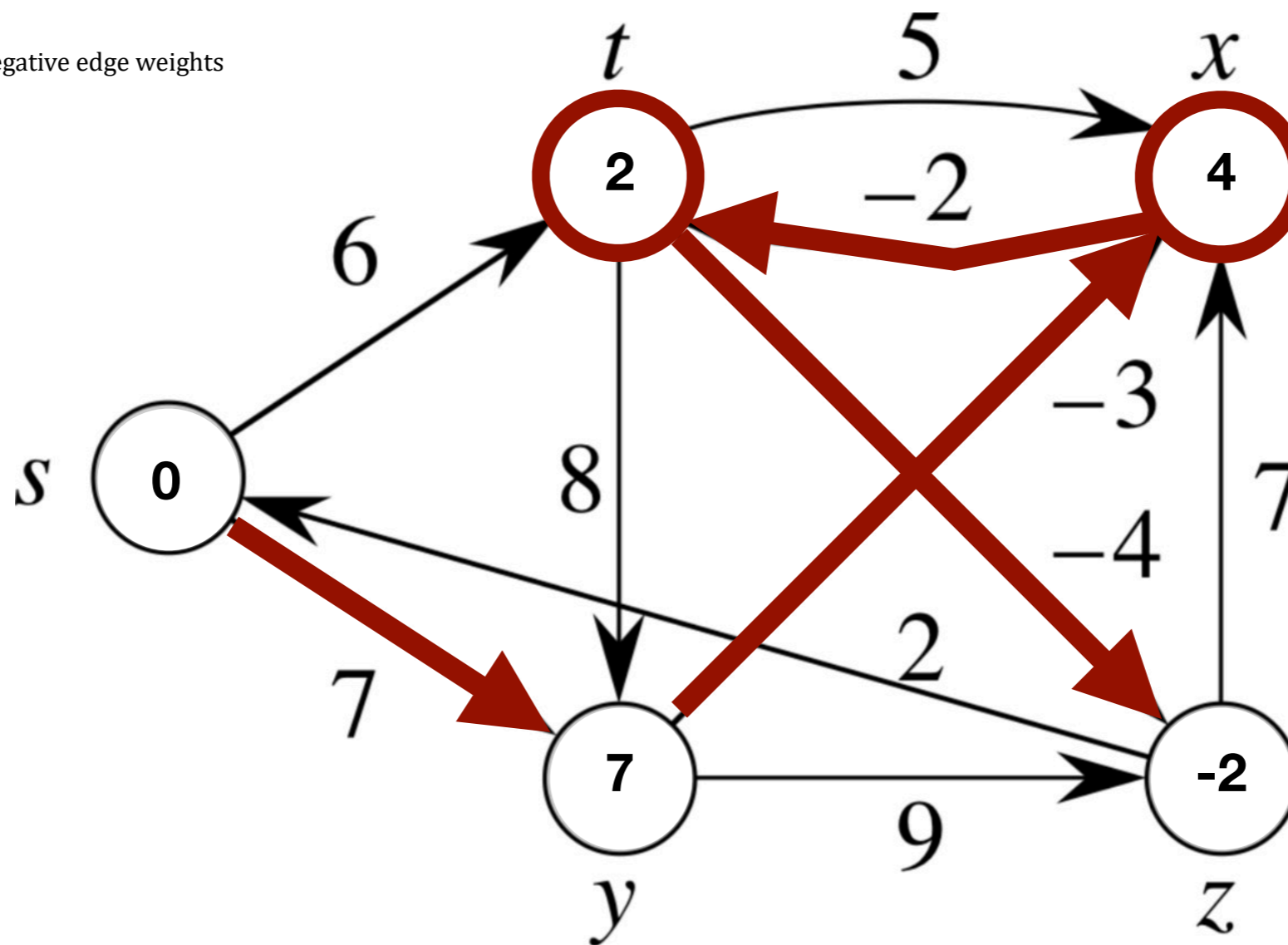
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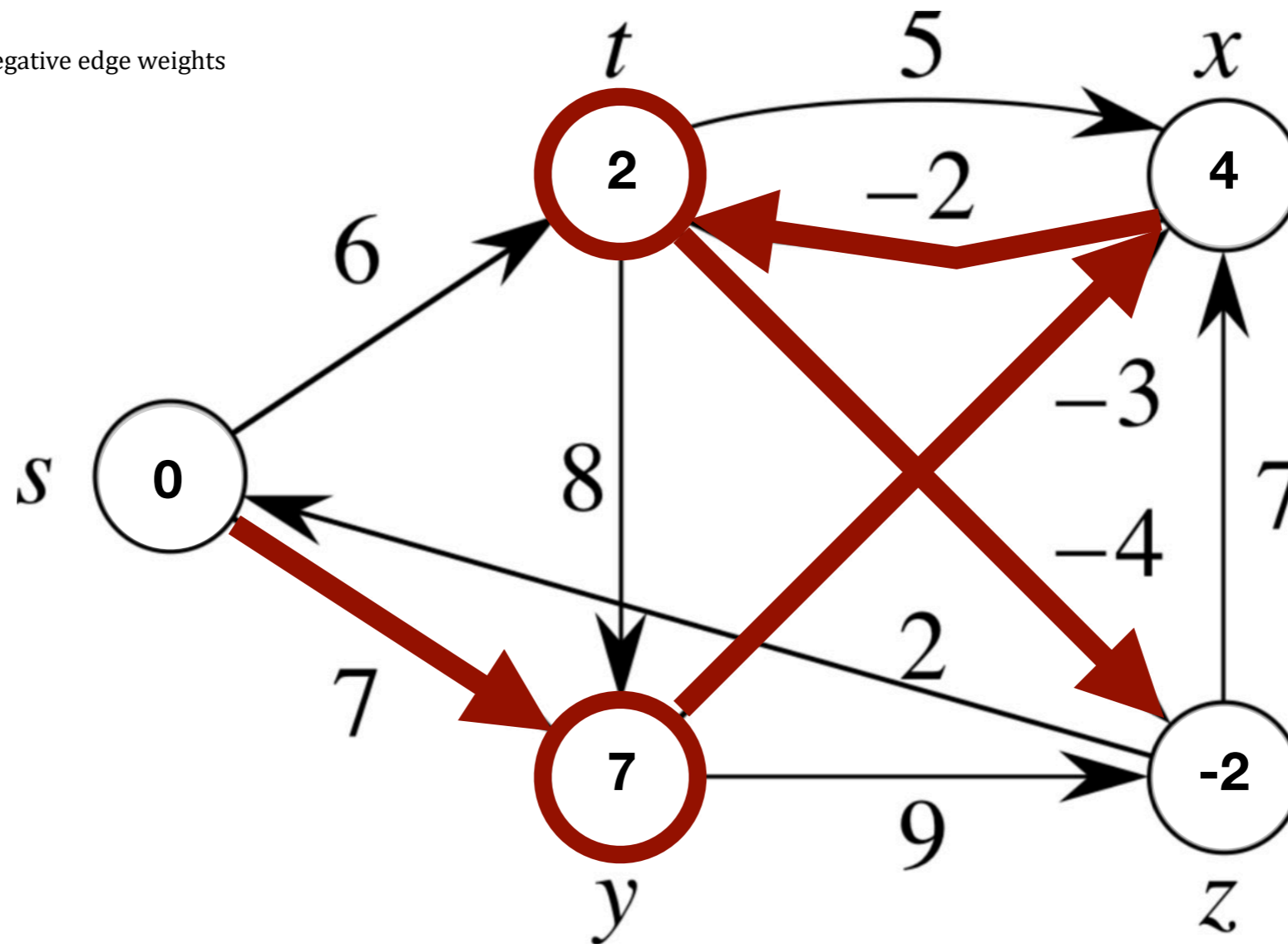
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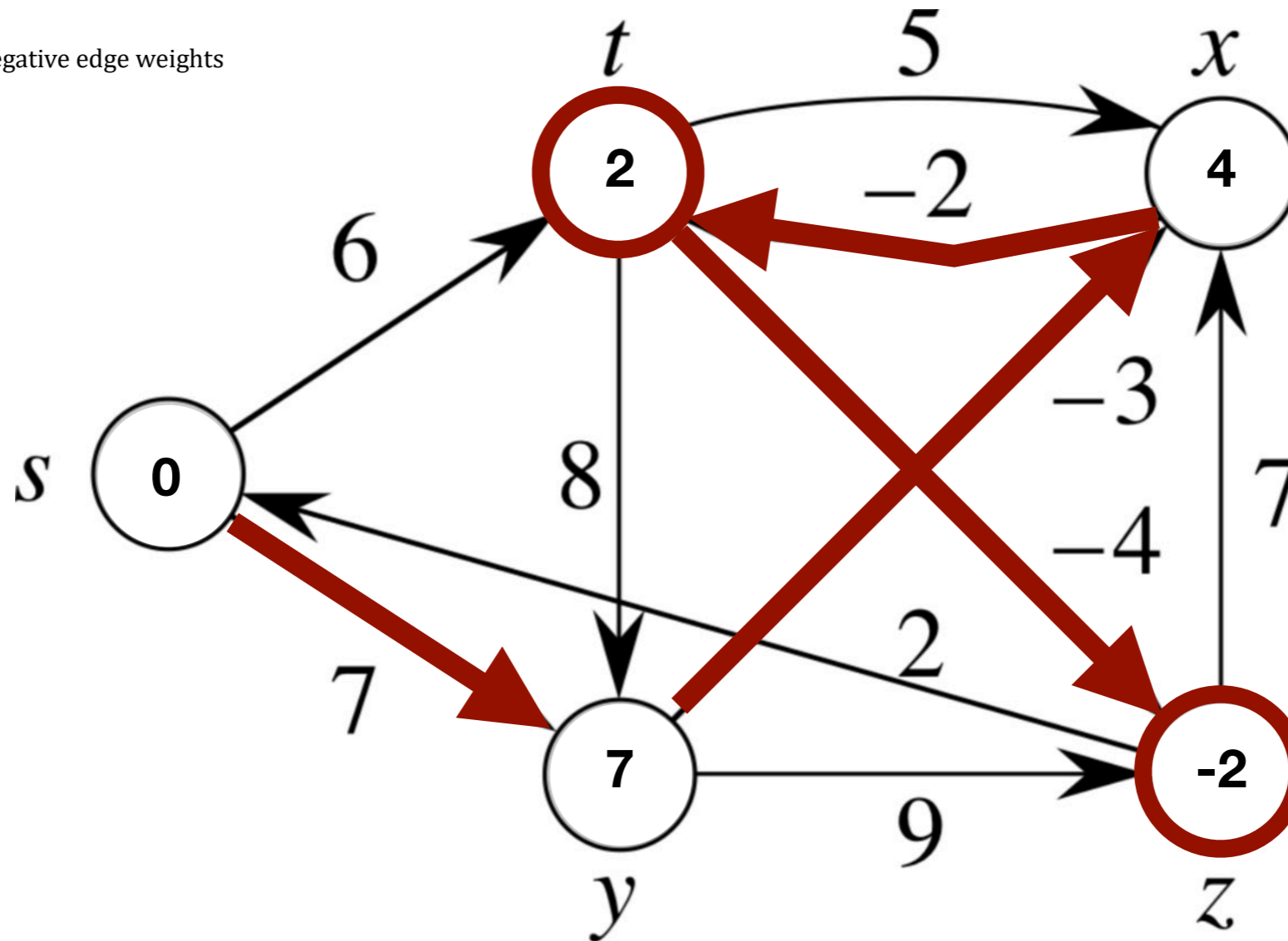
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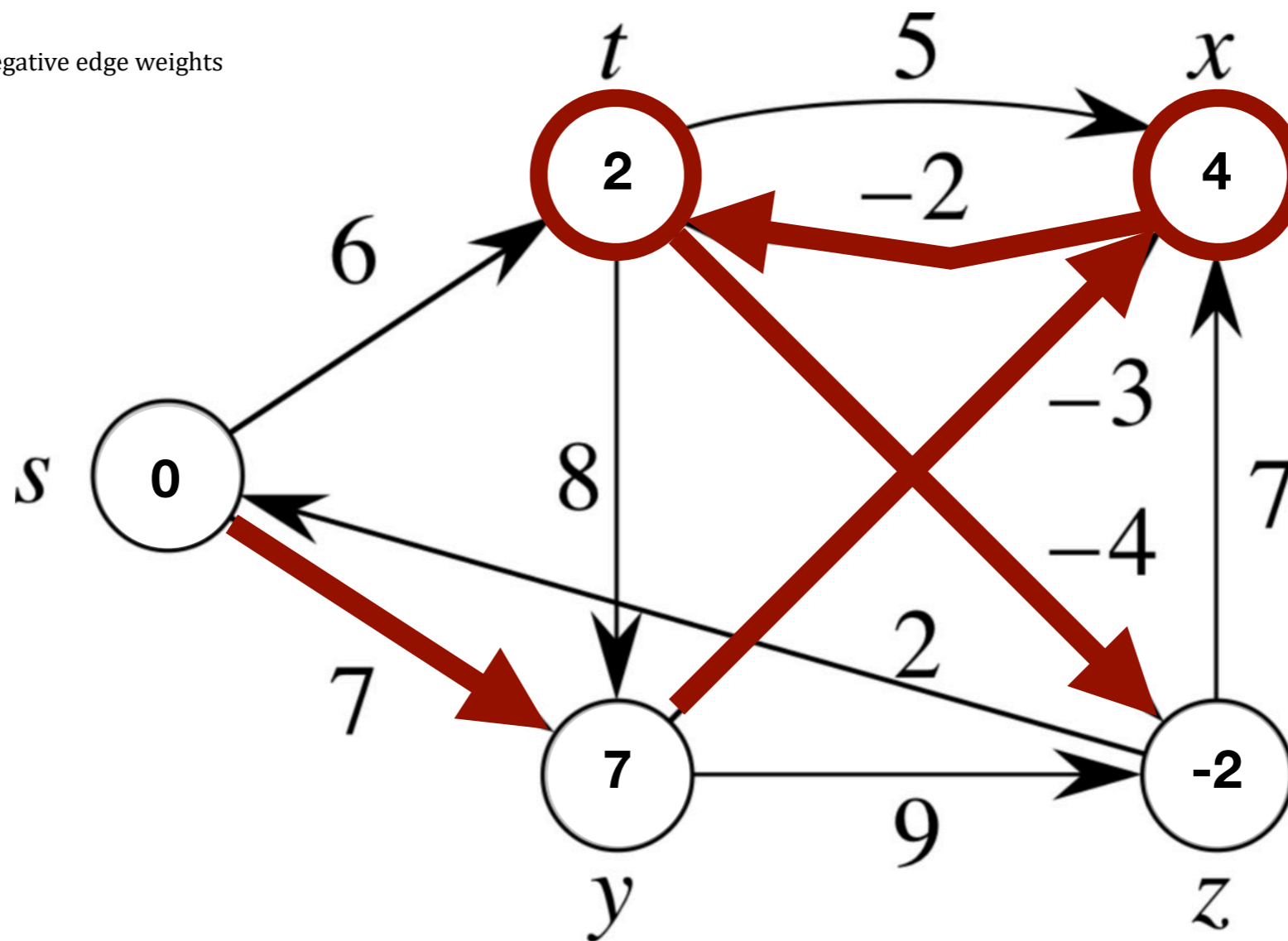
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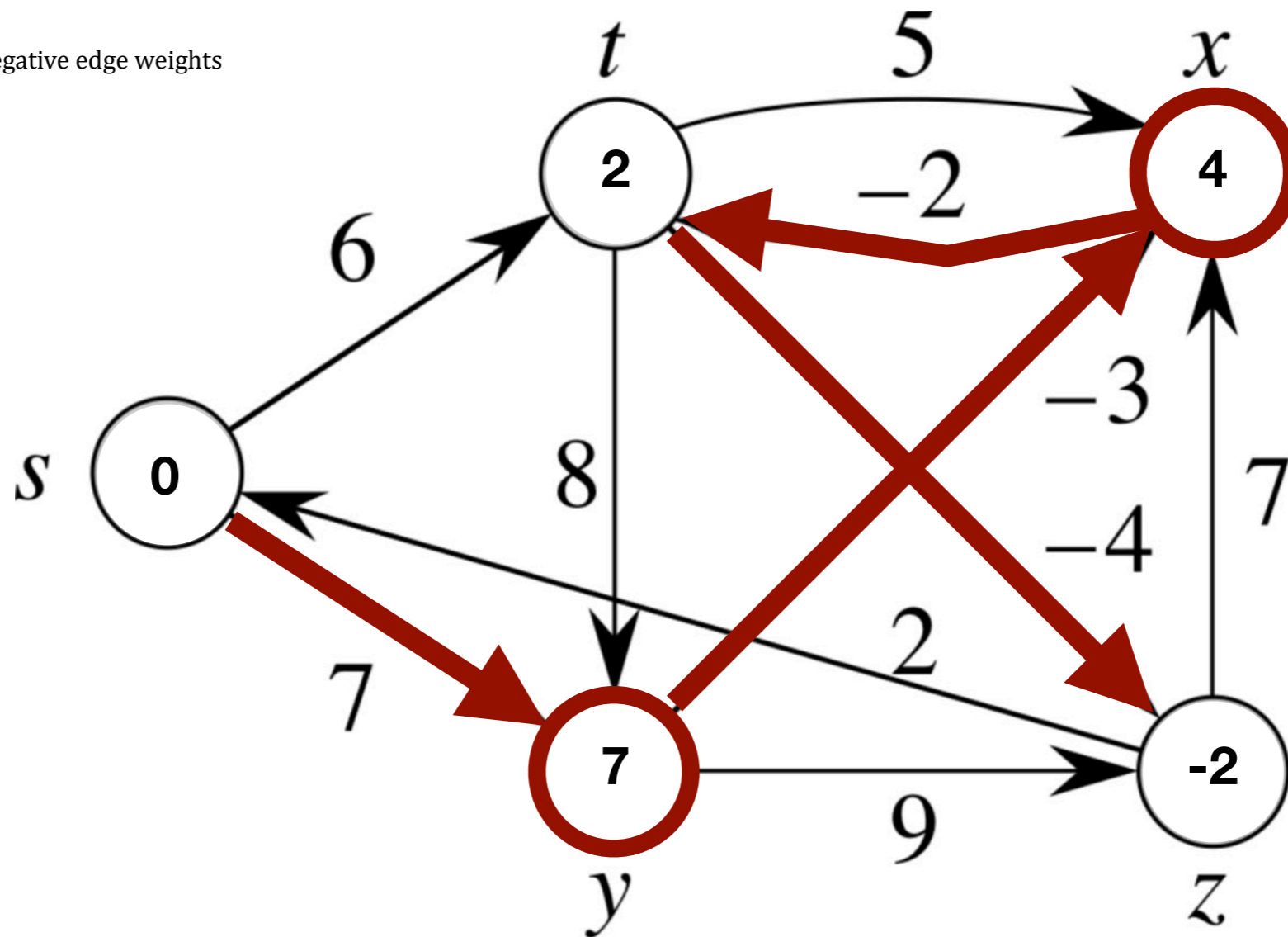
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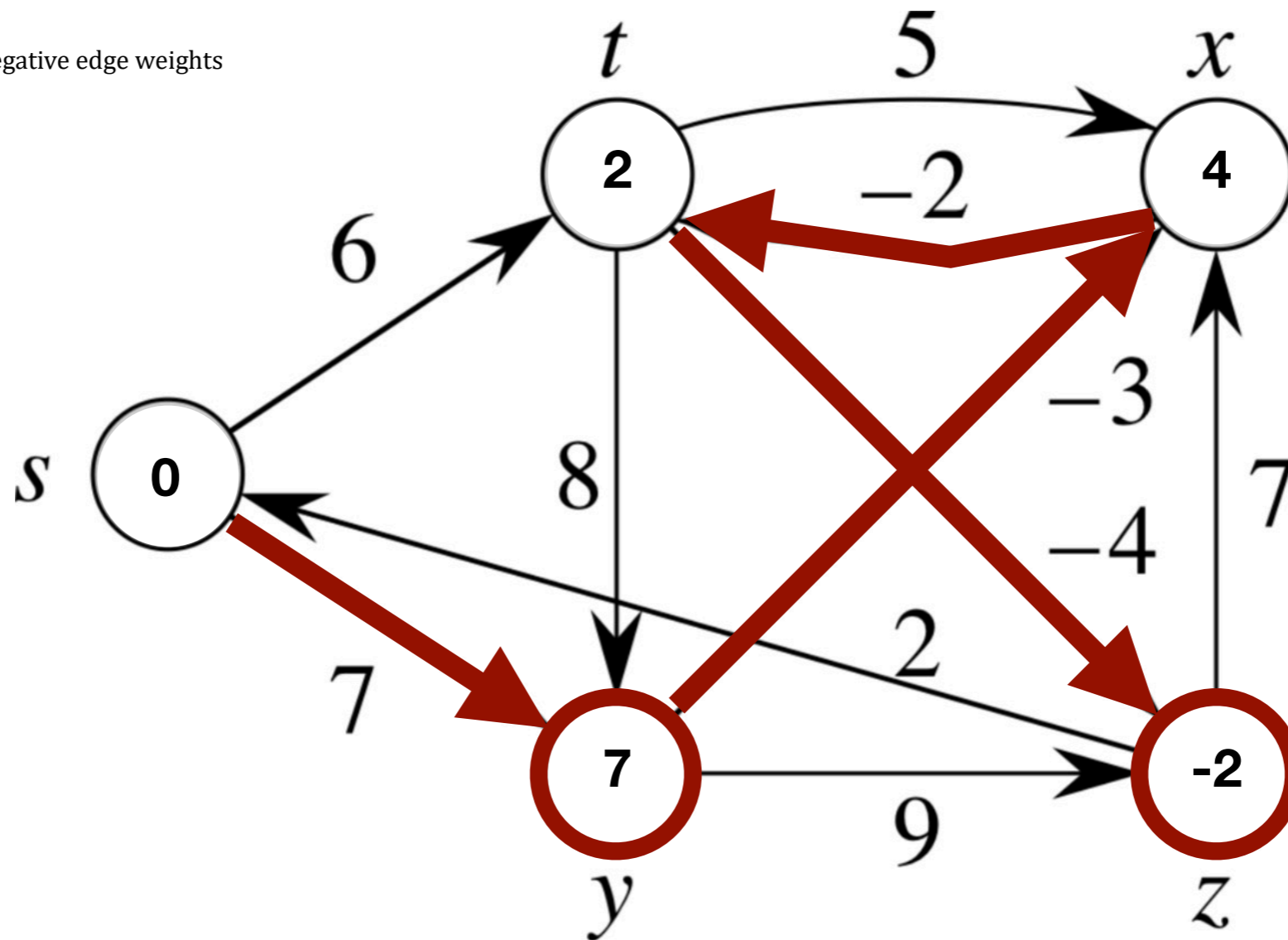
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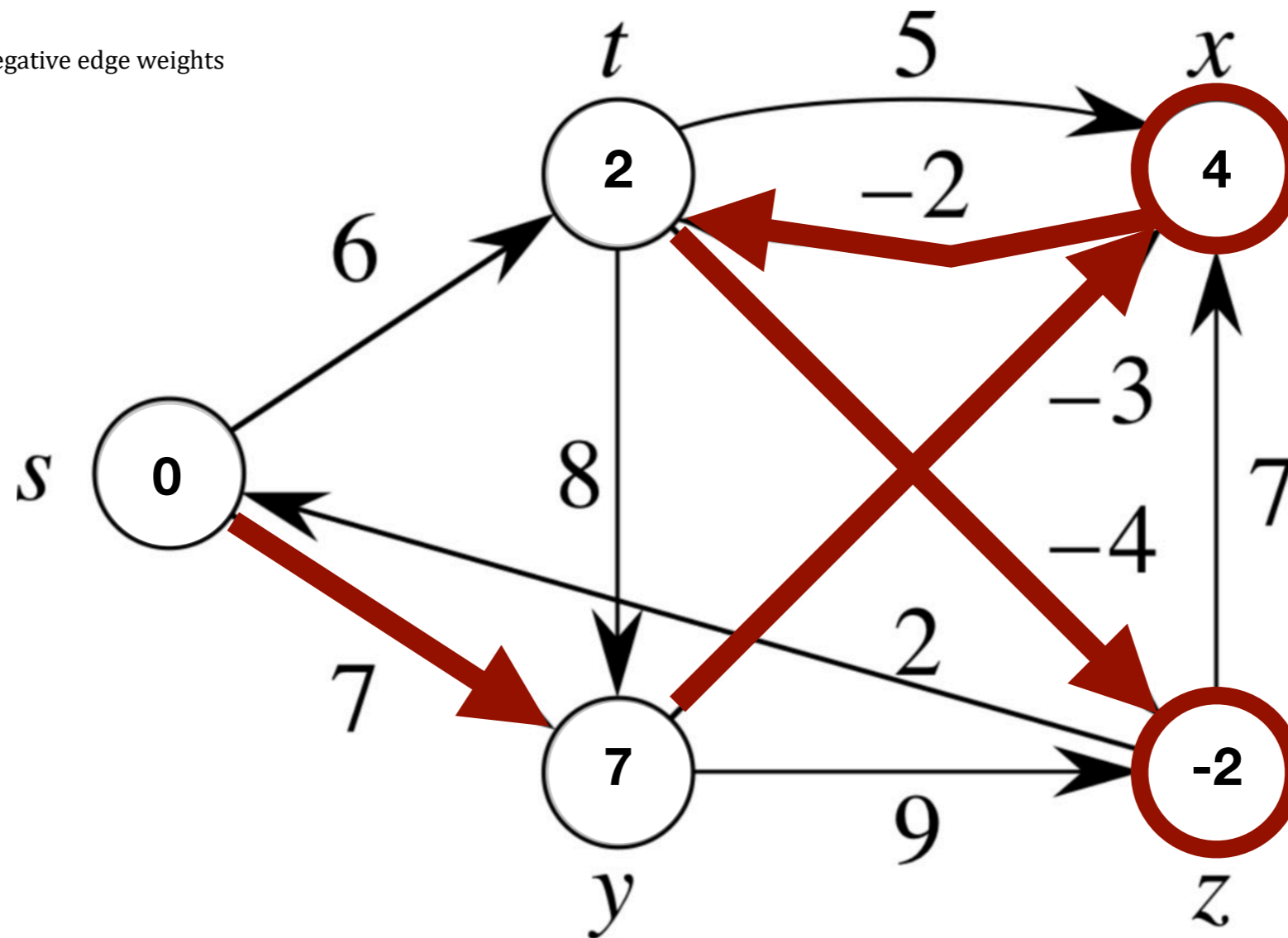
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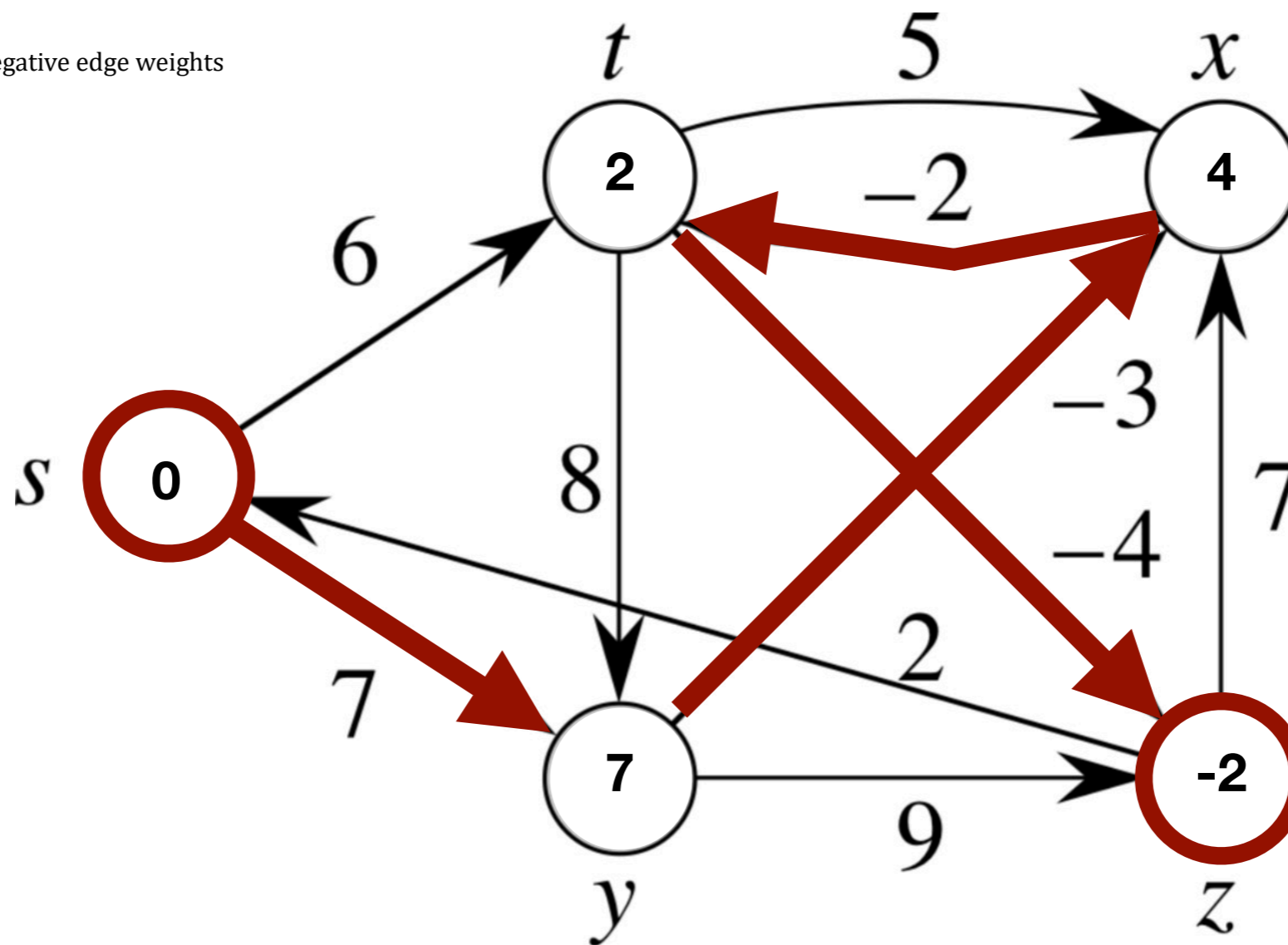
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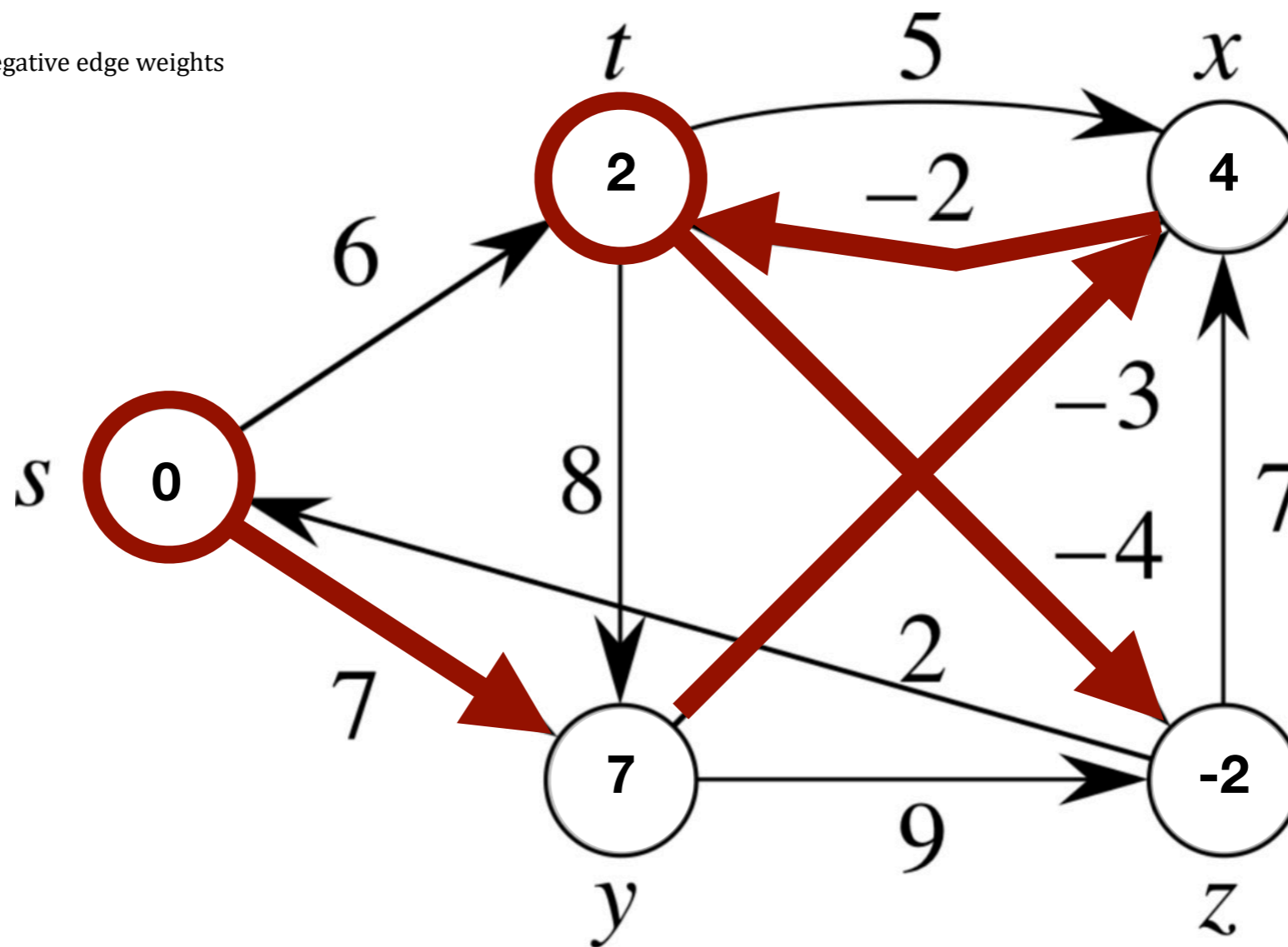
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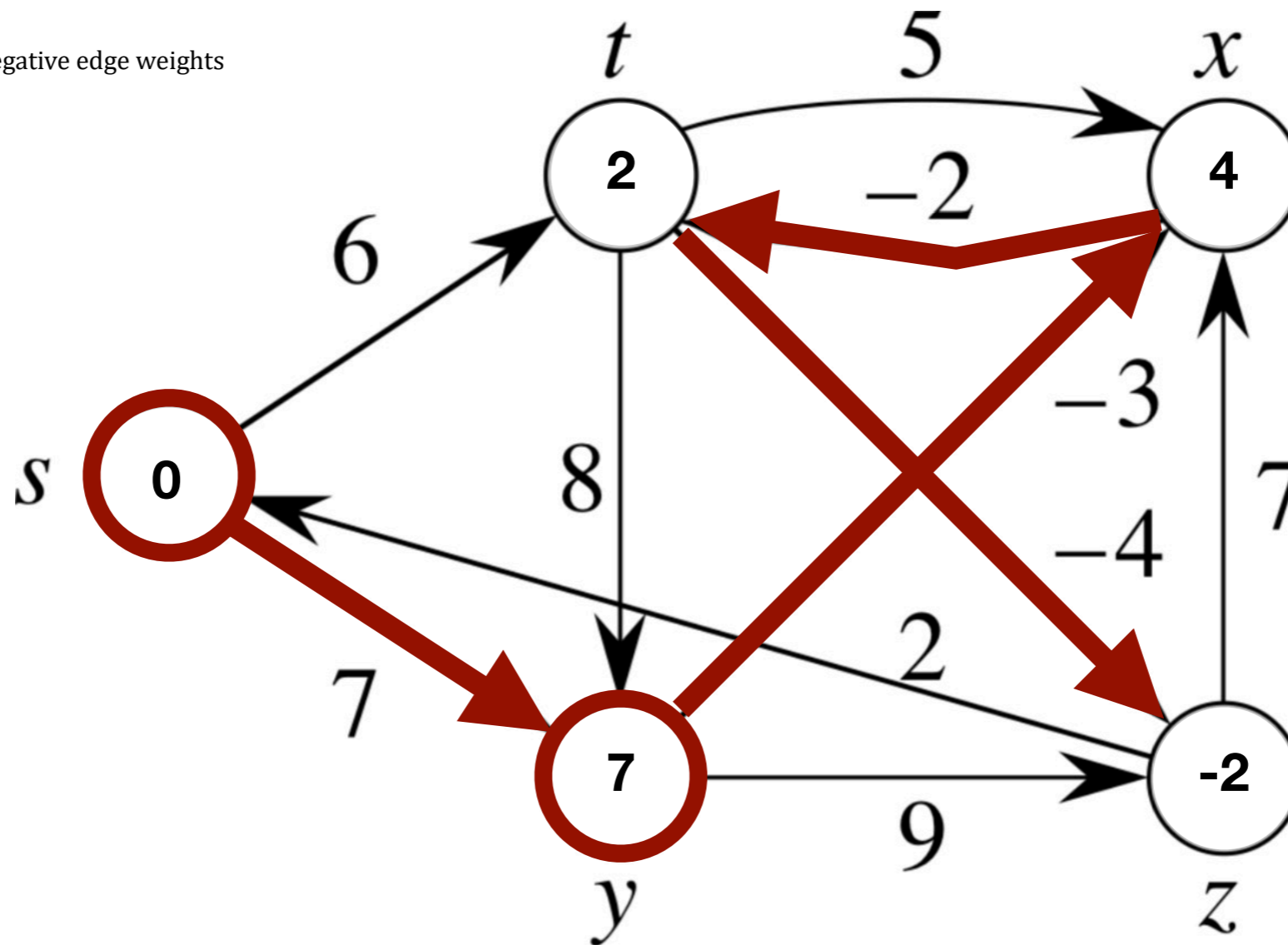
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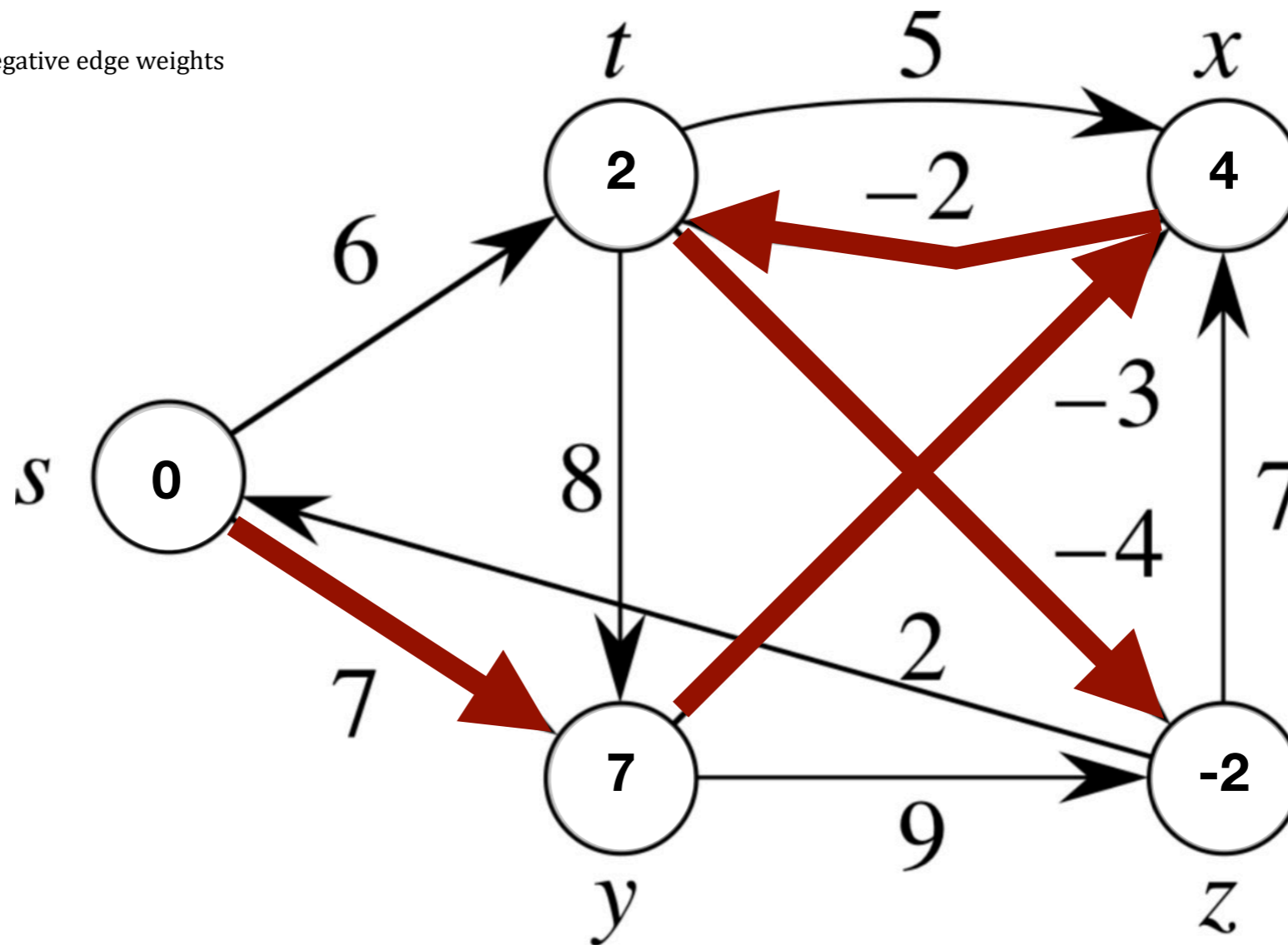
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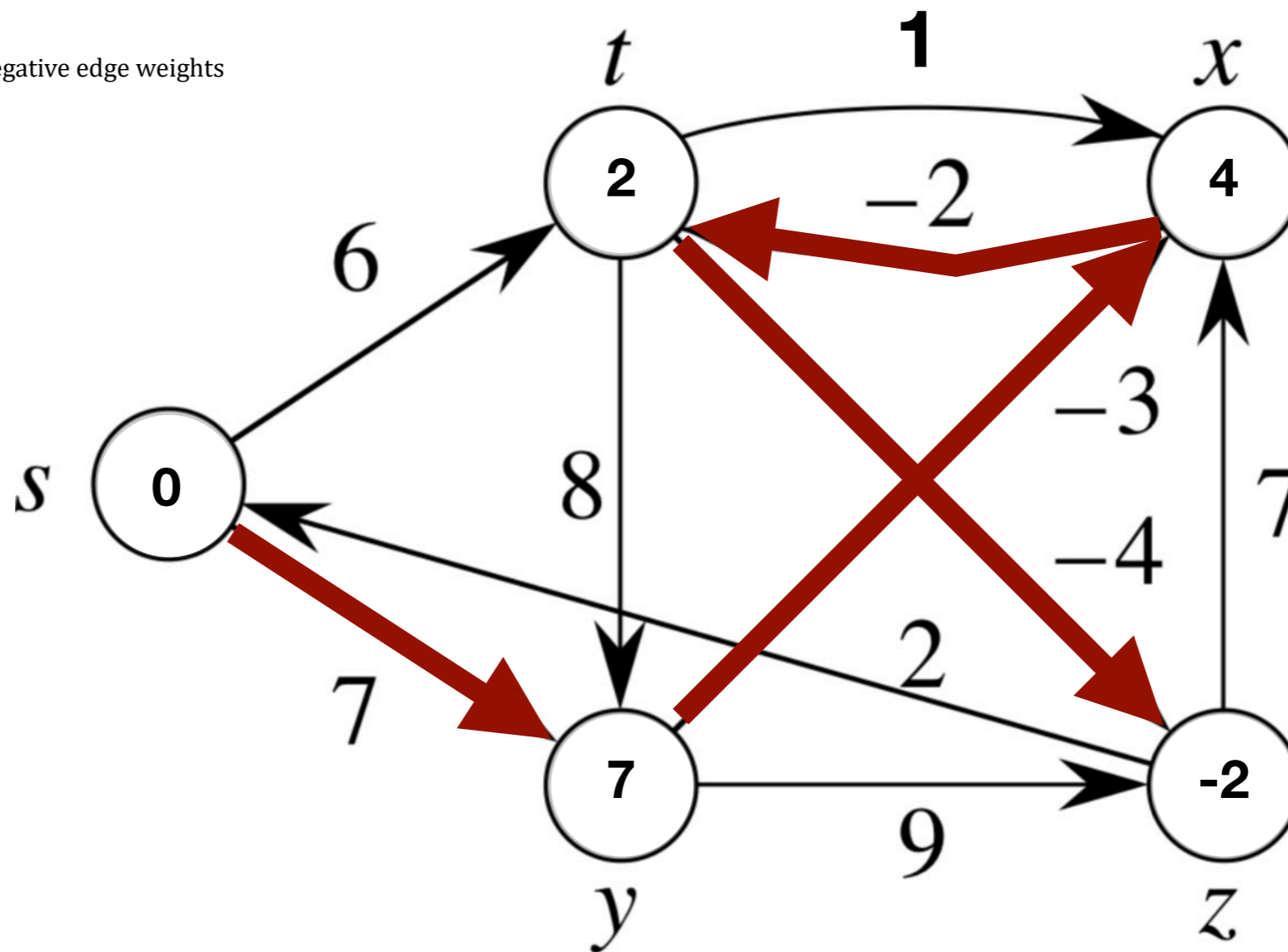
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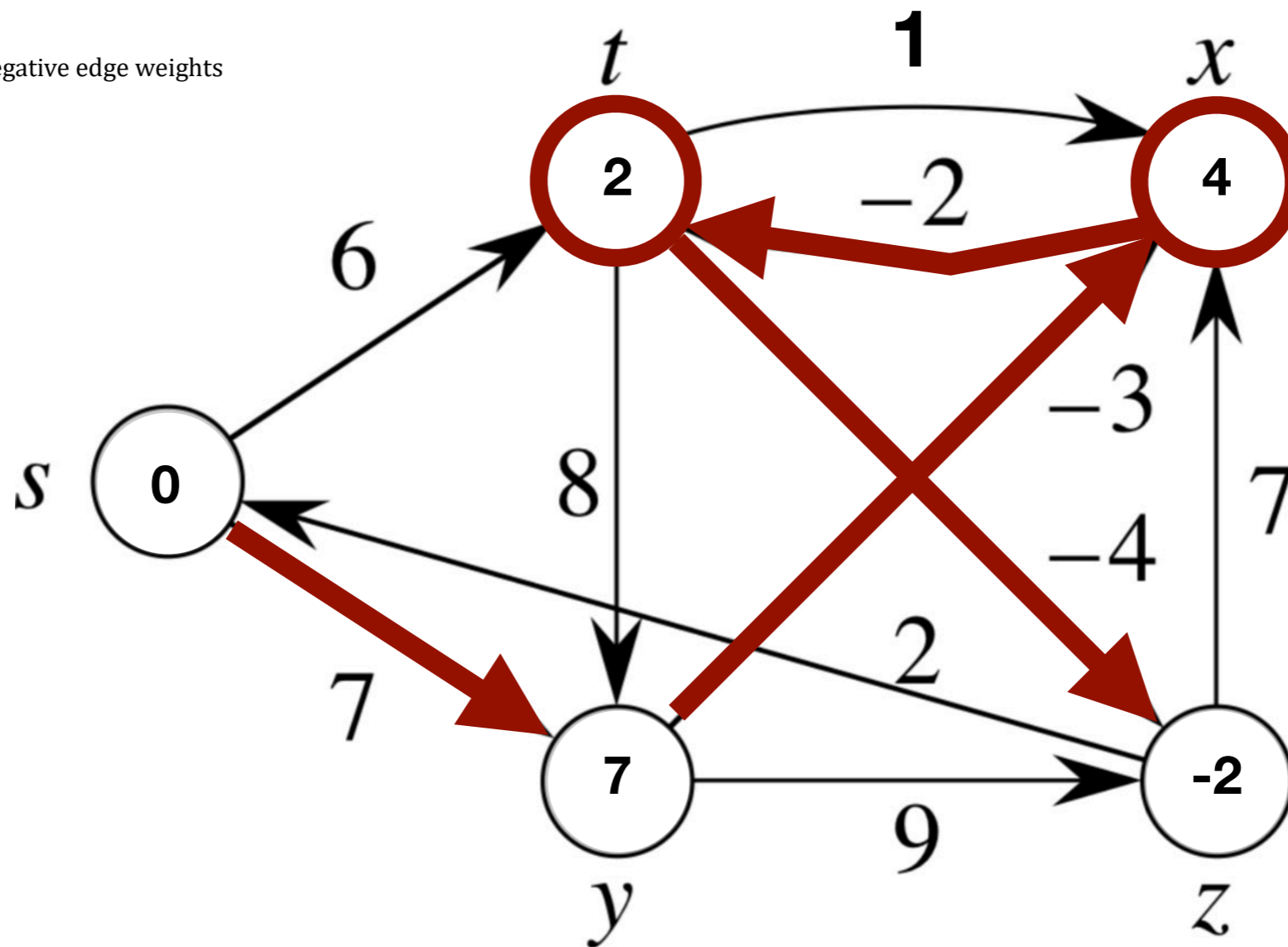
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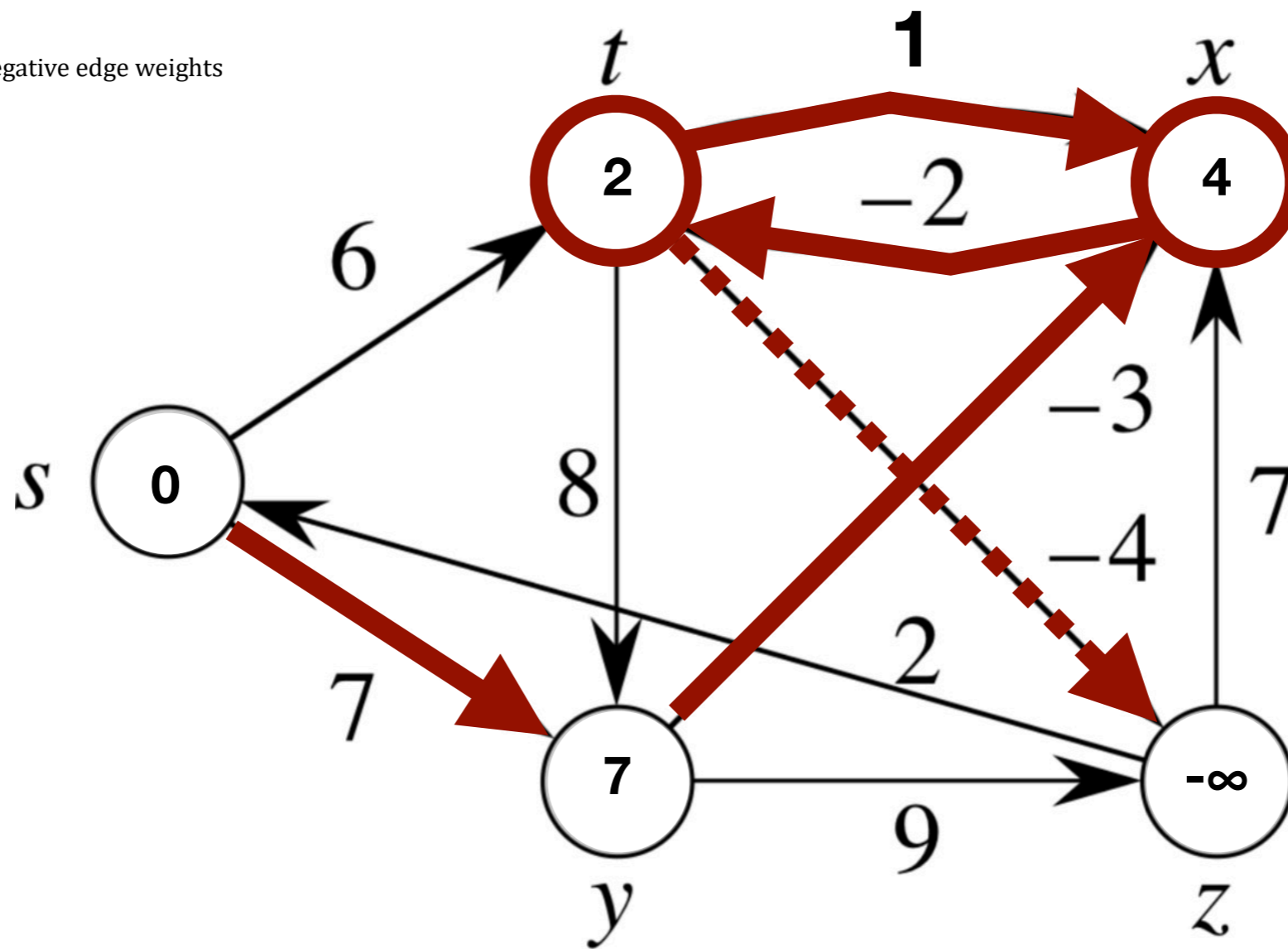
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What if $w(t,x)=1$?

We'd have a negative weight cycle. That's... interesting. Now $w(s,z) = -\infty$.

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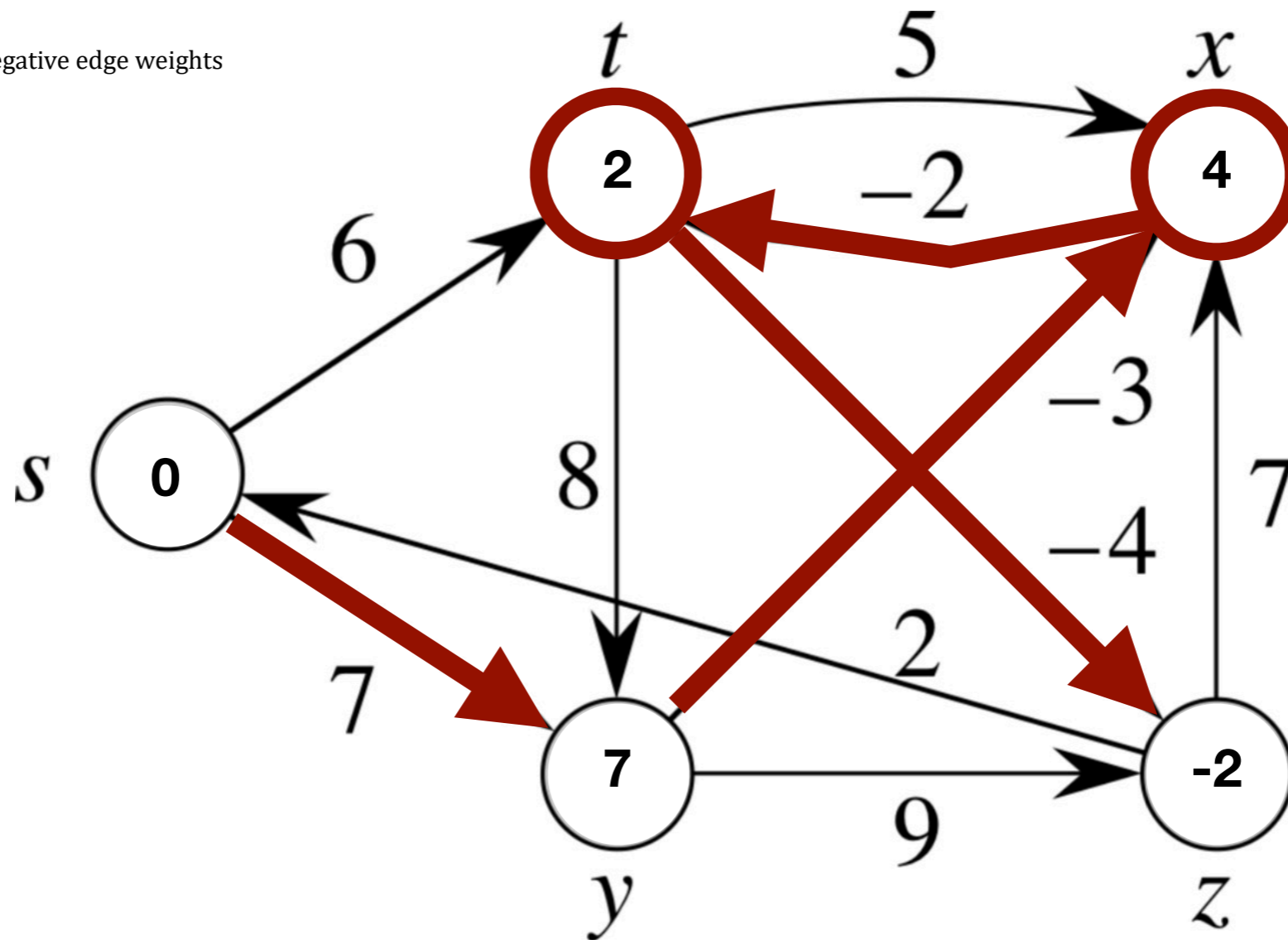
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What does this do?

It detects negative-weight cycles ...

and returns **false** if any are found.

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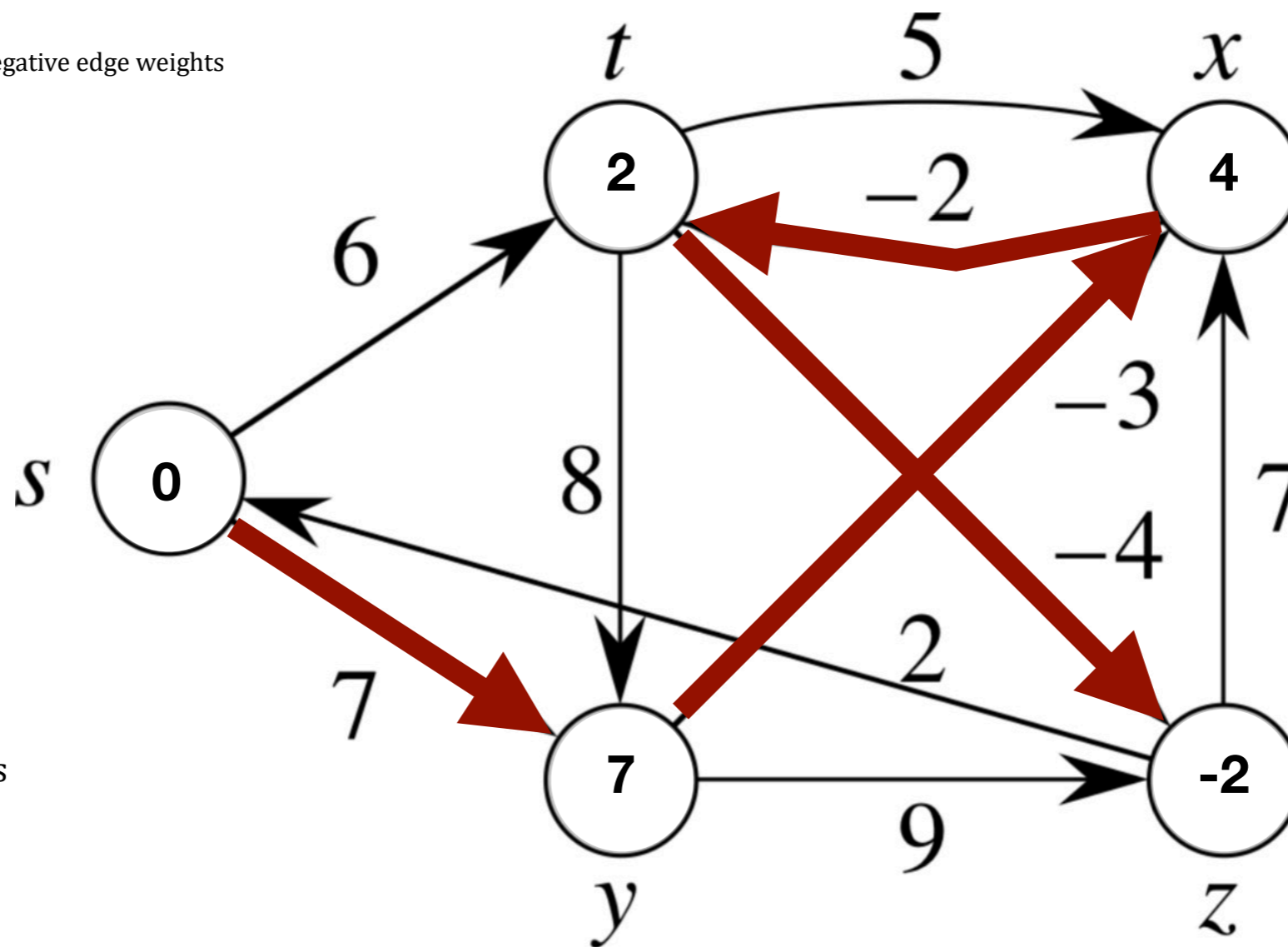
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Now we're done.

The value in each vertex is the length of the shortest path to that vertex from starting vertex s .

$s \rightarrow s = 0$	shortest path: S
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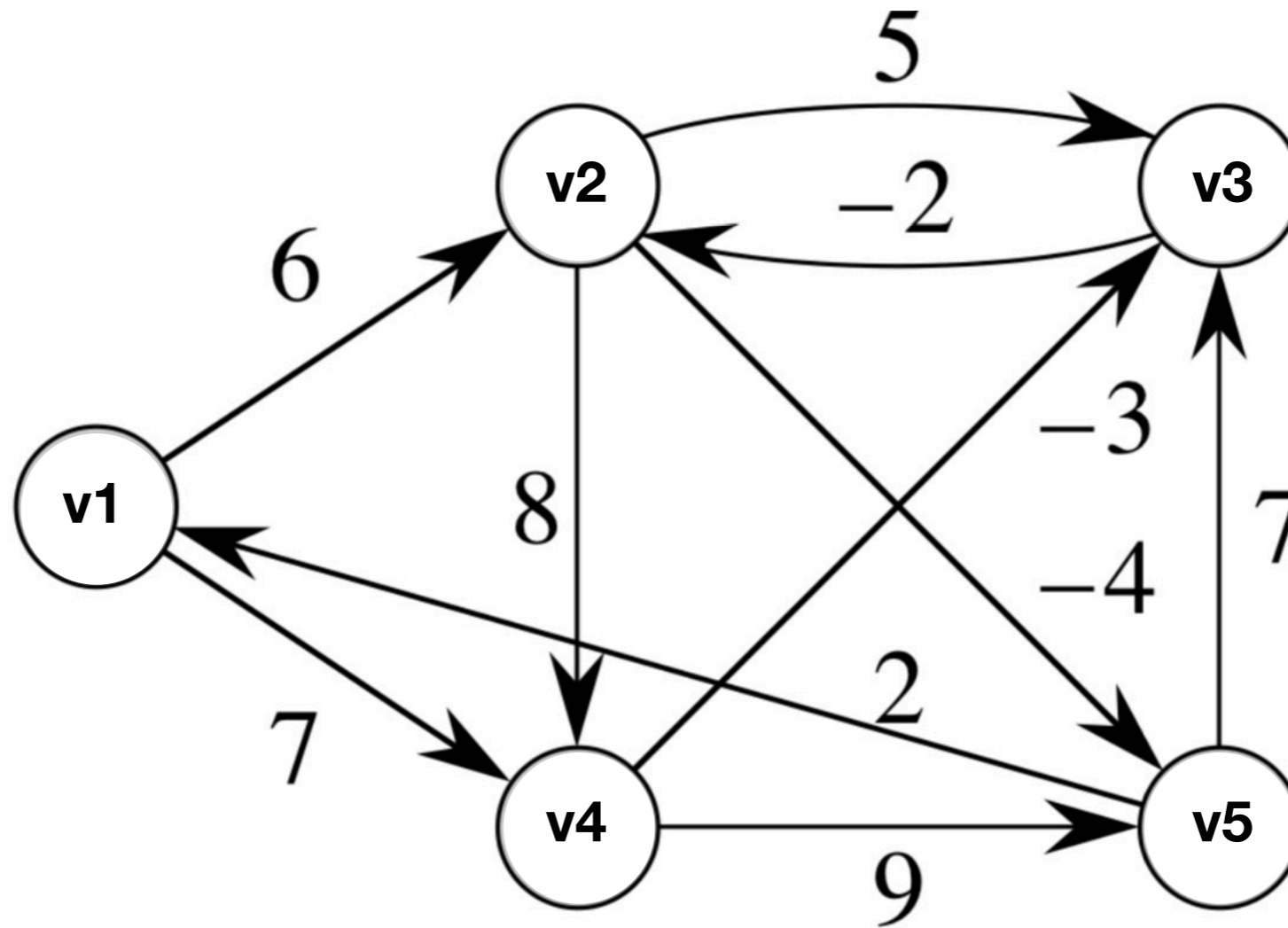
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Assignment 5 version
with integer vertex IDs

new graph

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add vertex 2
add vertex 3
add vertex 4
add vertex 5
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add edge 2 - 4 8
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add edge 5 - 3 7
add edge 5 - 1 2
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