

More Hierarchy in Route Planning Using Edge Hierarchies

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Motivation

- Dijkstra's algorithm is too **slow**
- Last decade: split up into **preprocessing** and **query** phases
- Hierarchical Route Planning
 - Roads in the middle of a path are more **important** than on the ends
- Contraction Hierarchies have one level per **node** (crossing)

- Today: One level per **edge** (road)



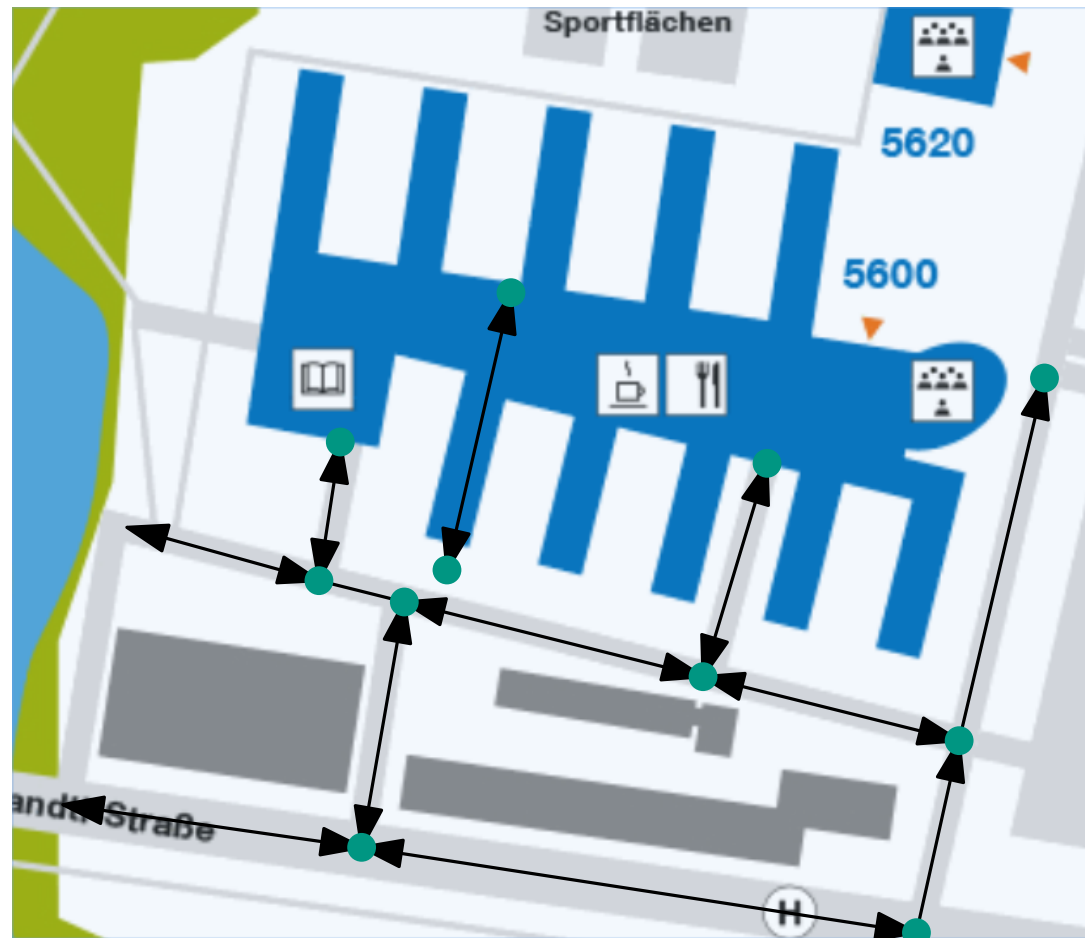
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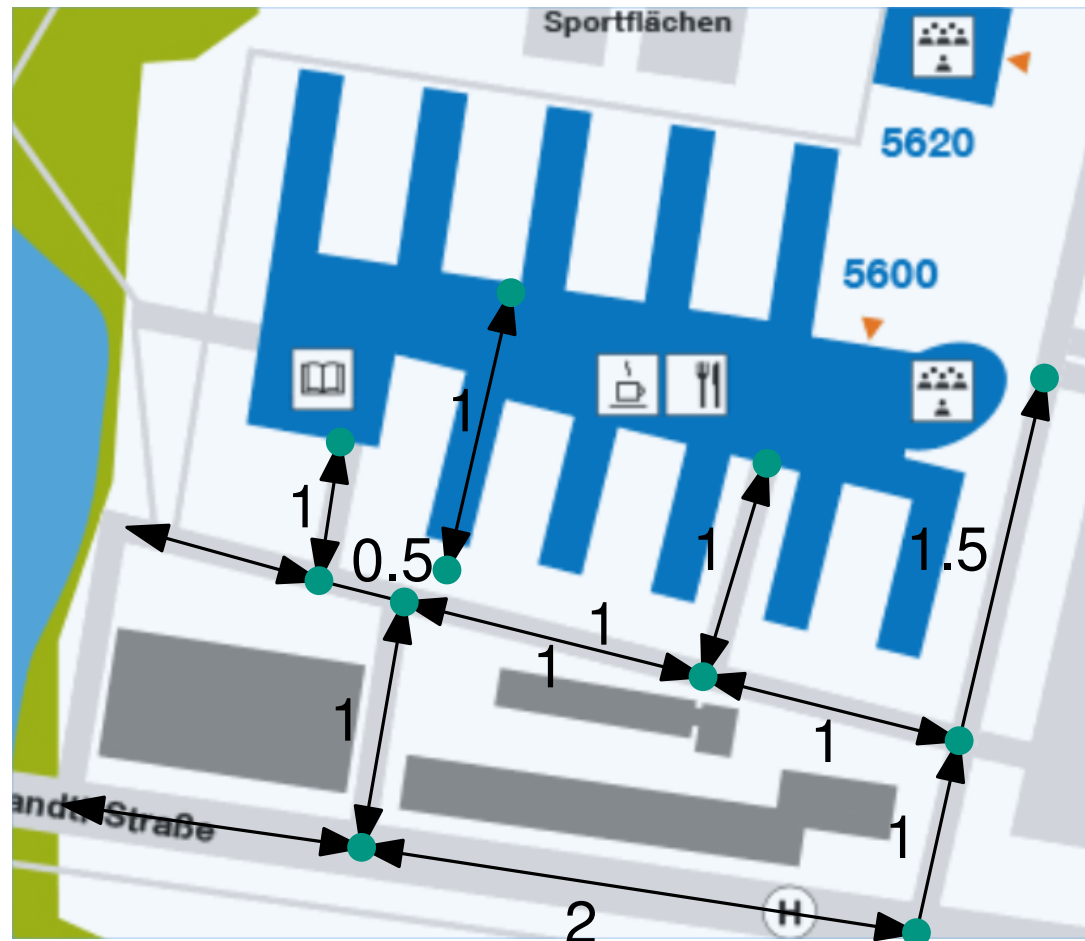
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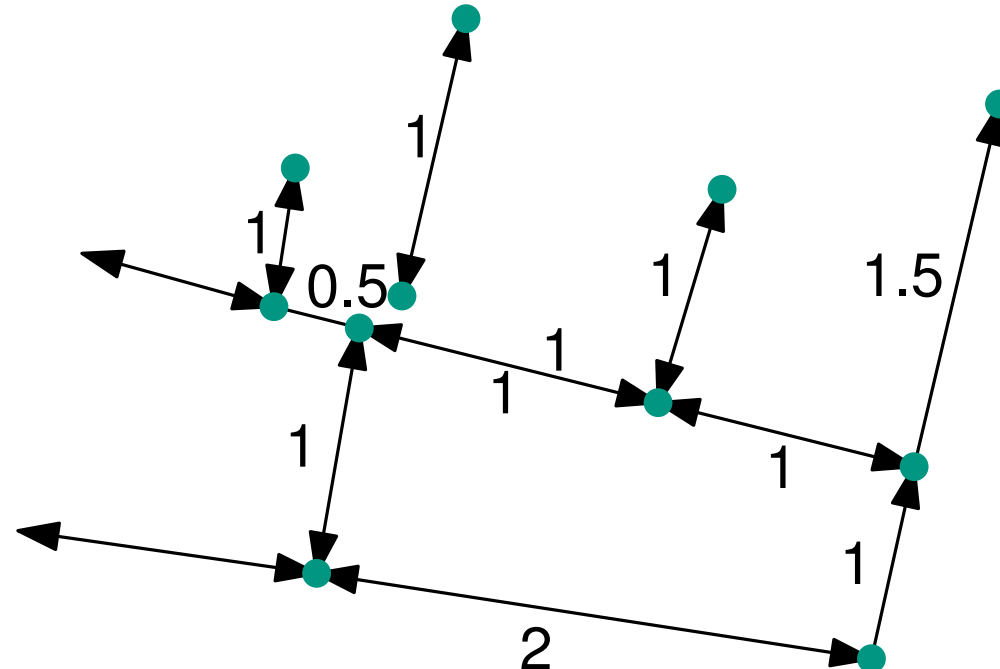
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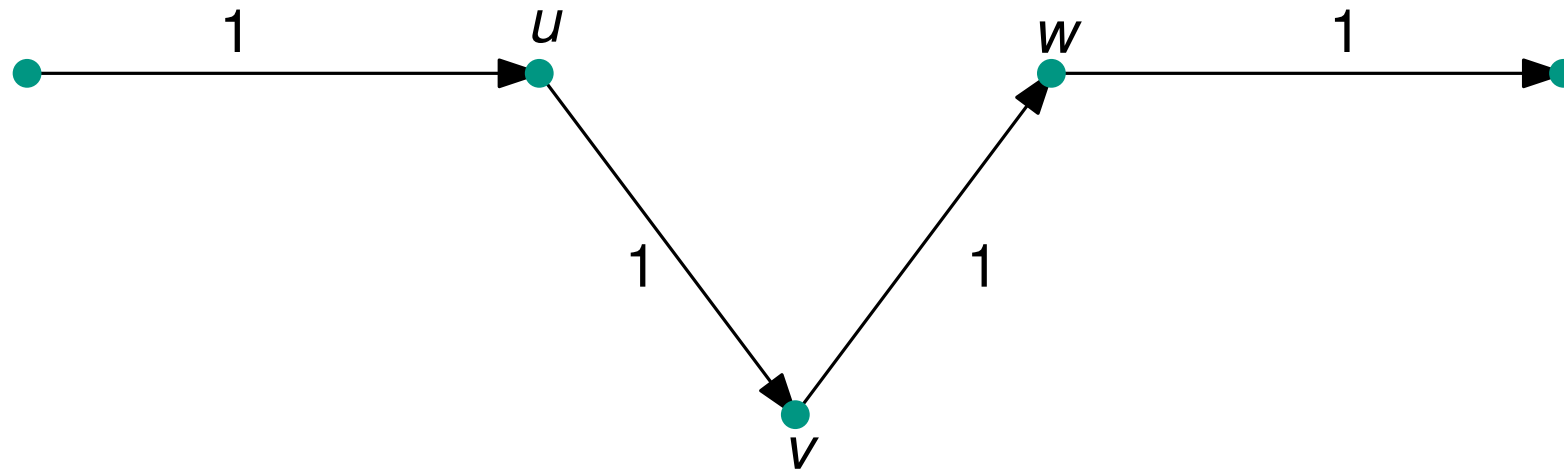


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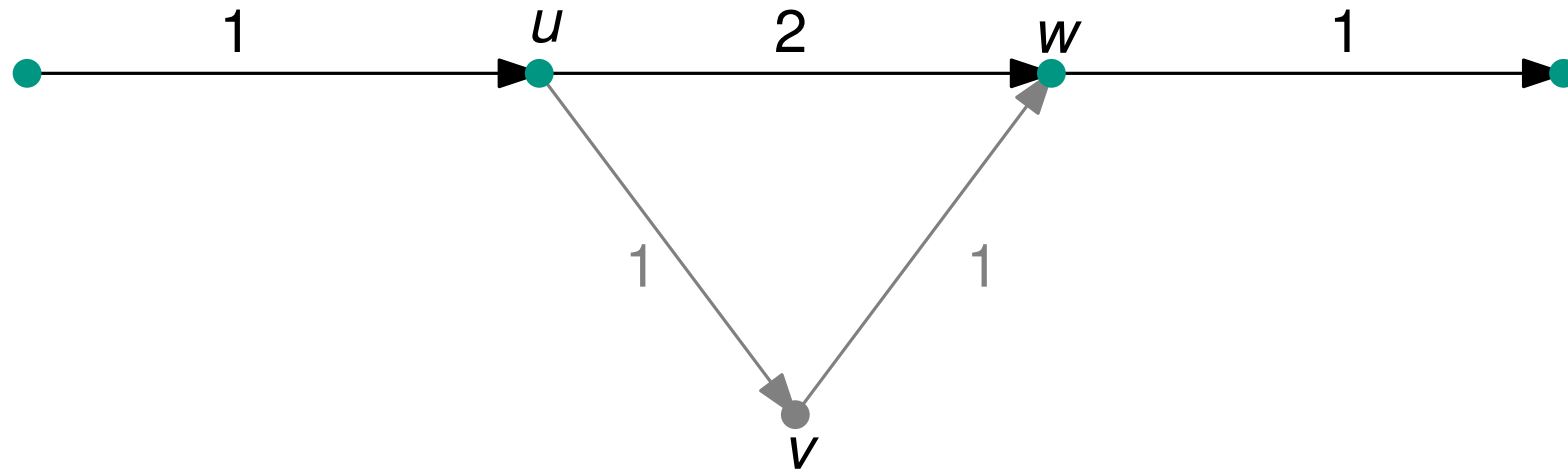


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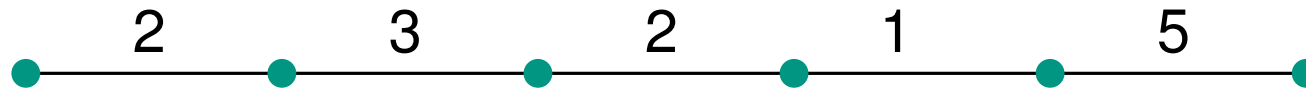
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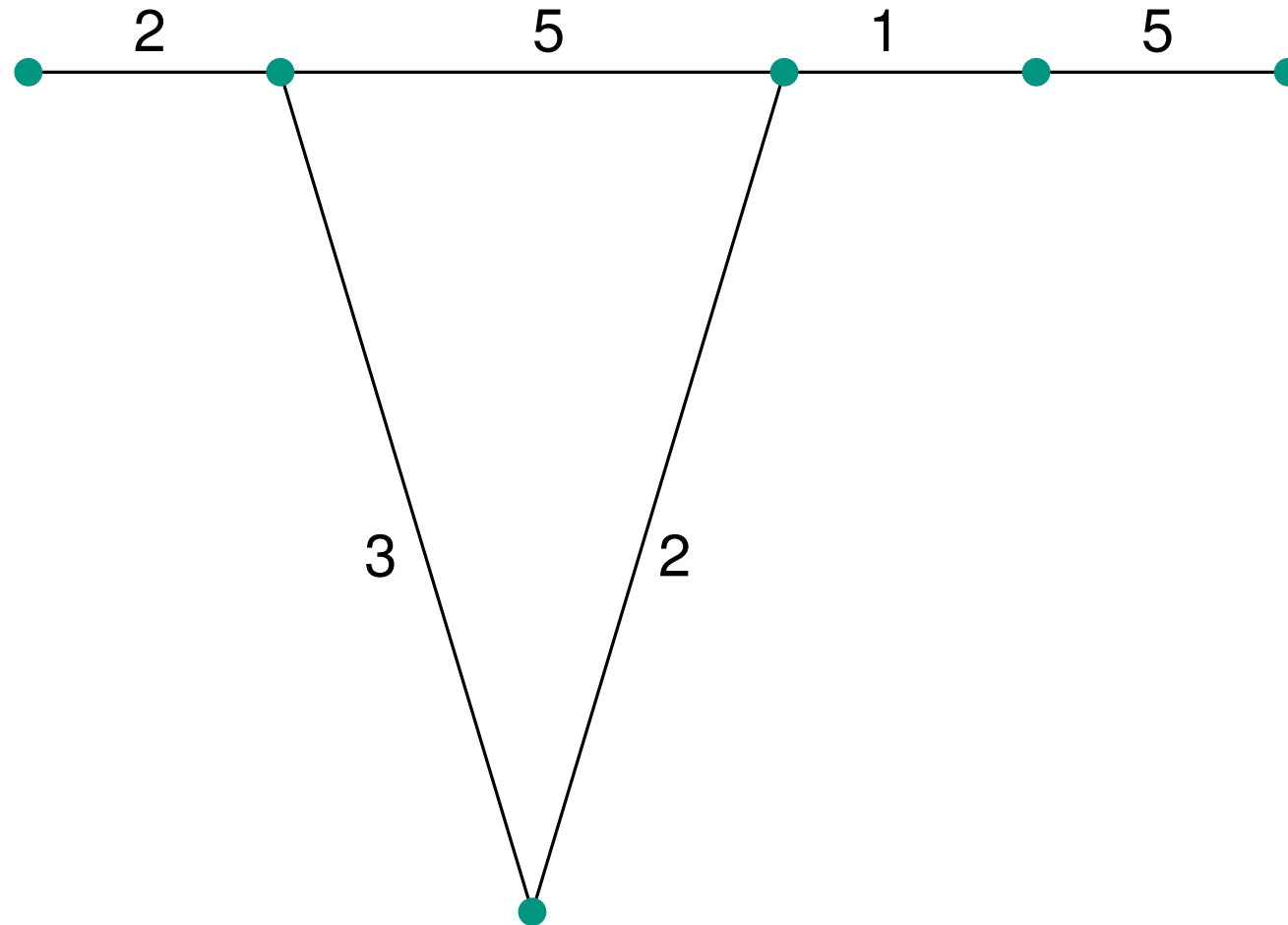


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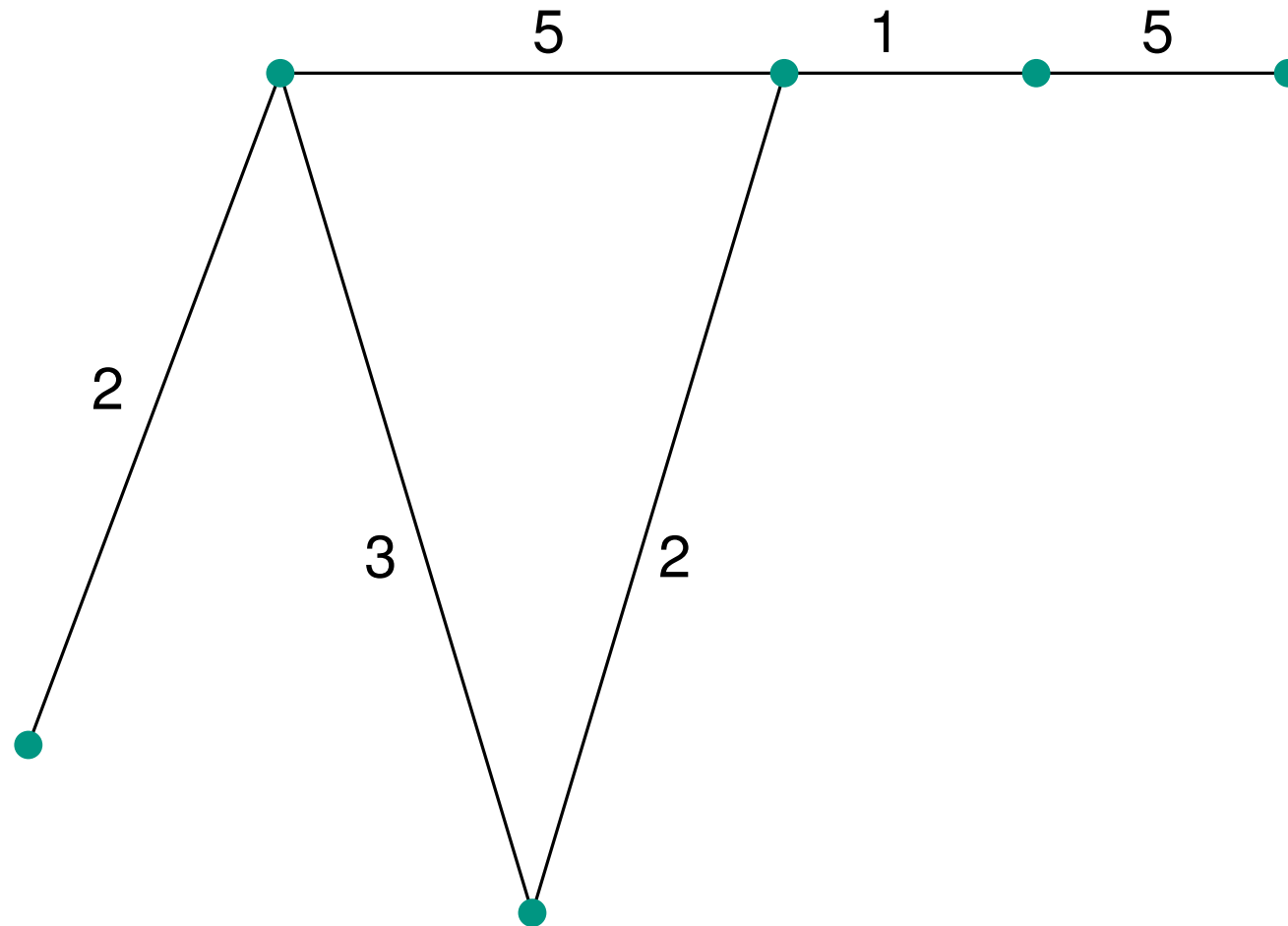
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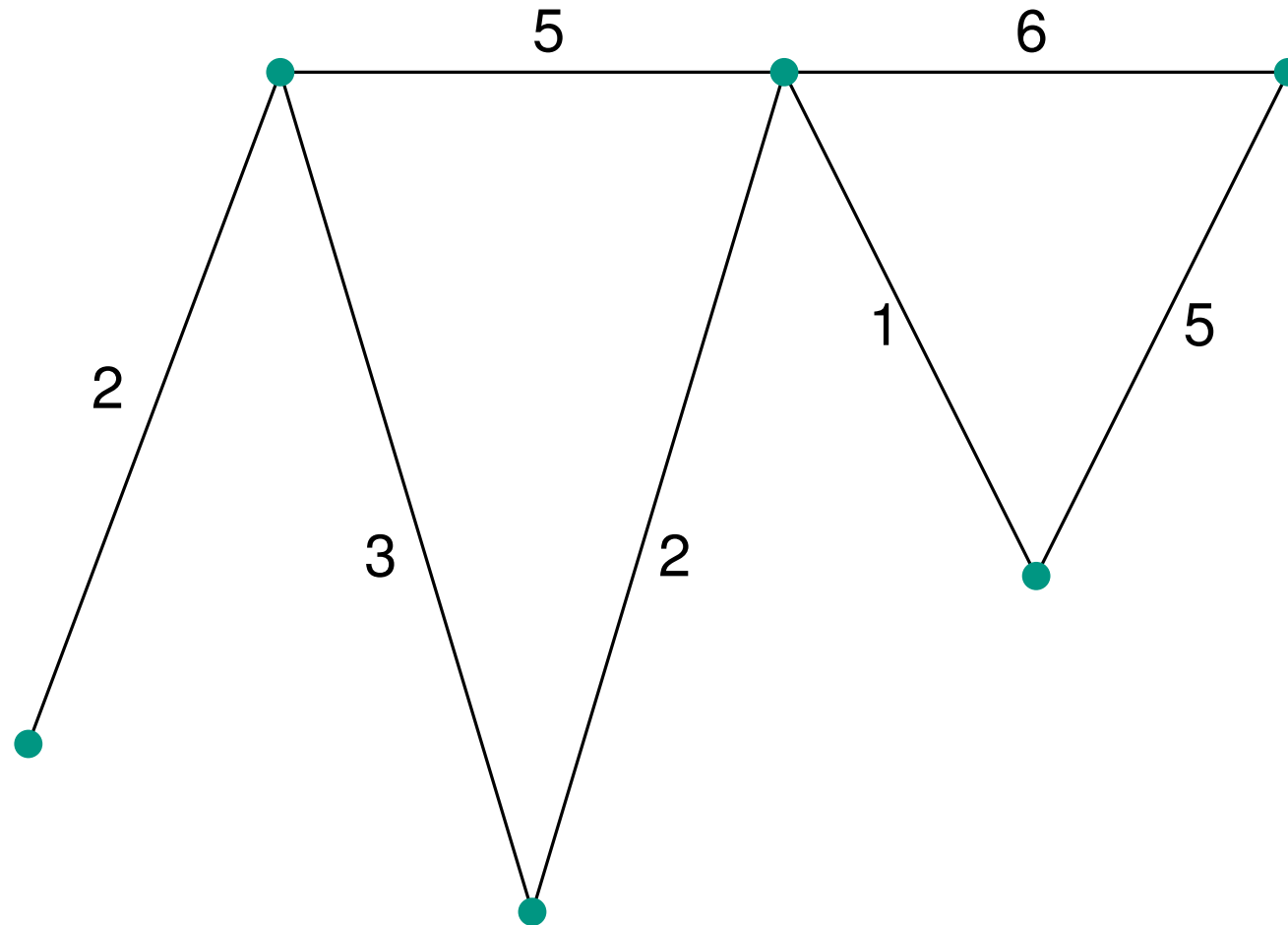
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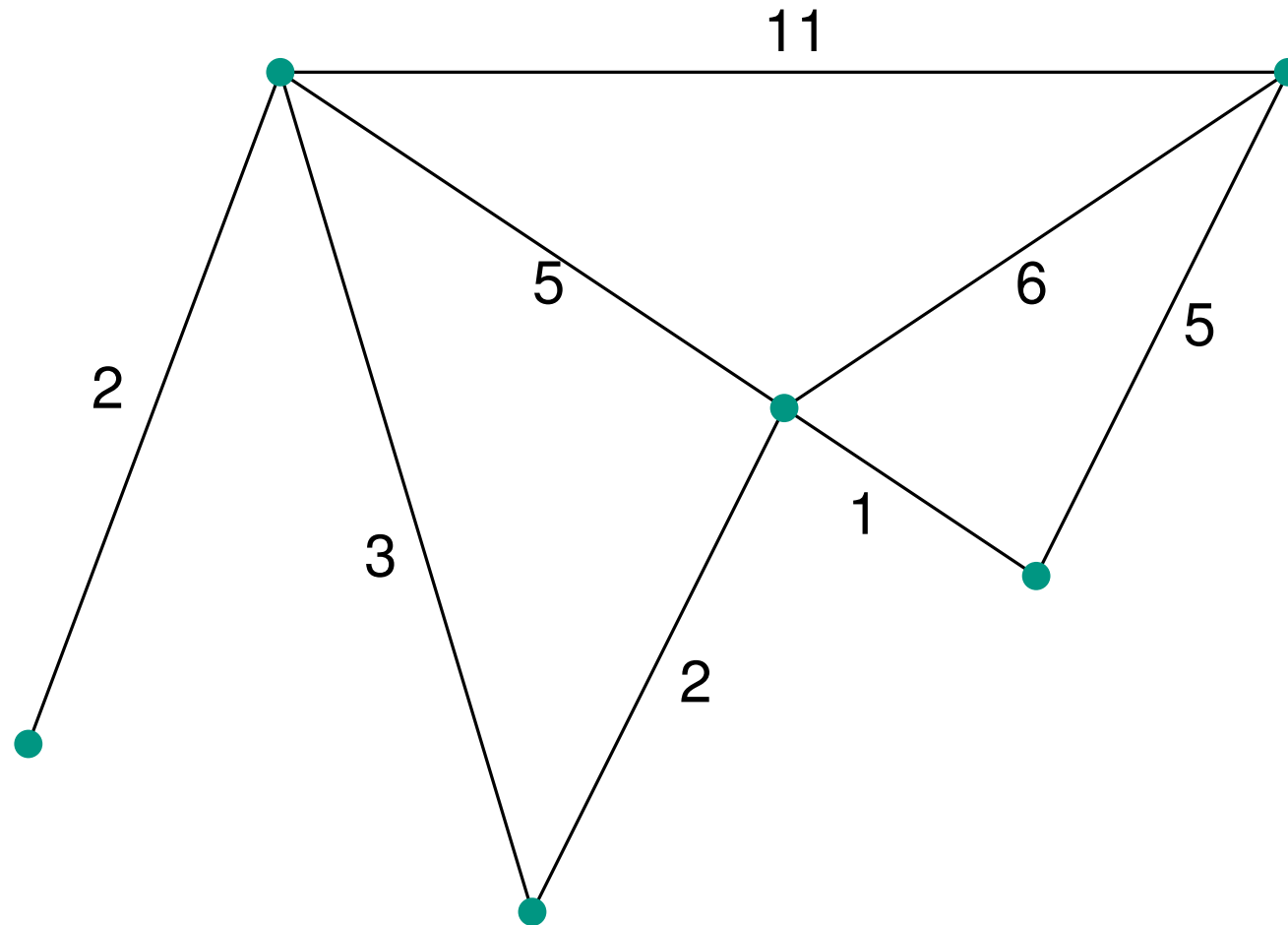
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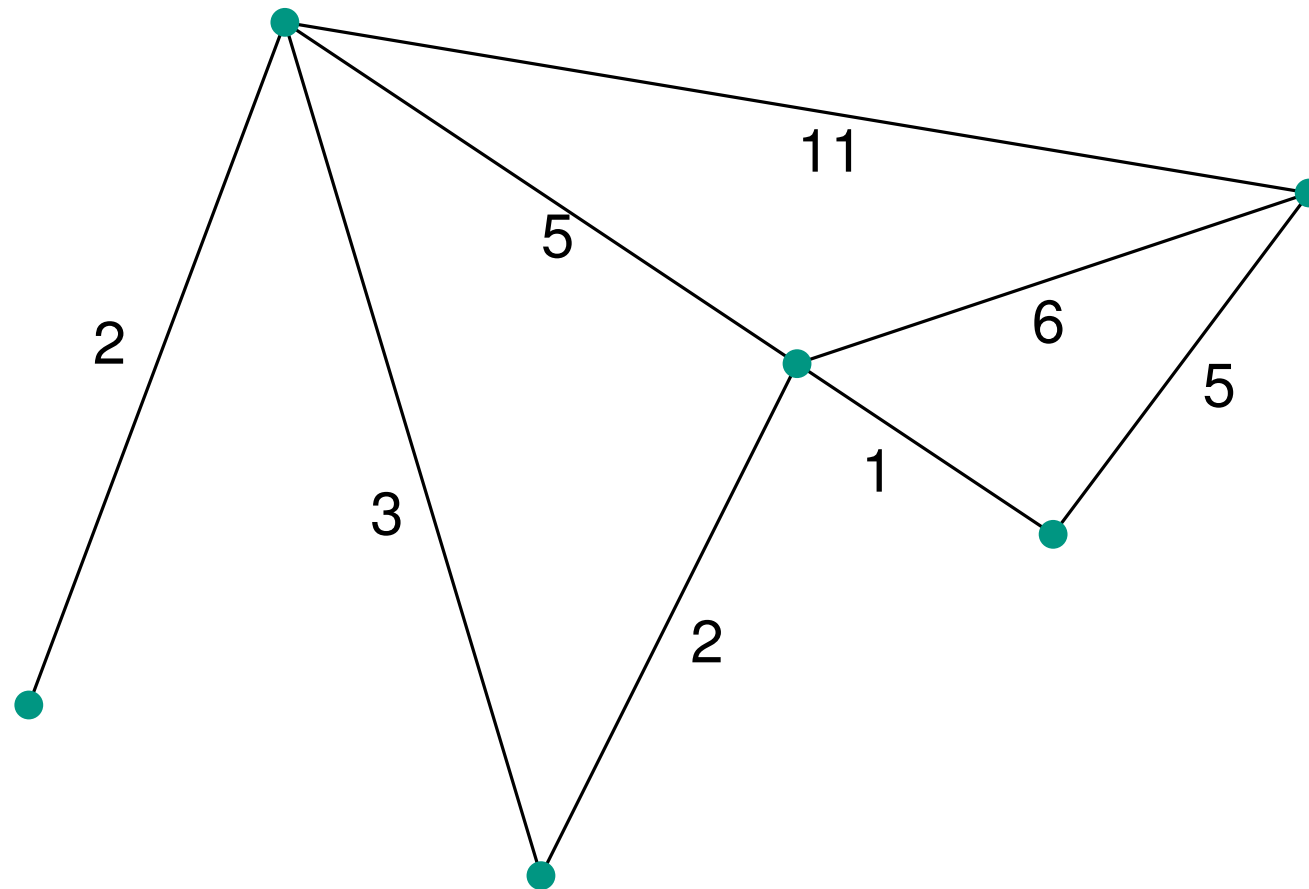
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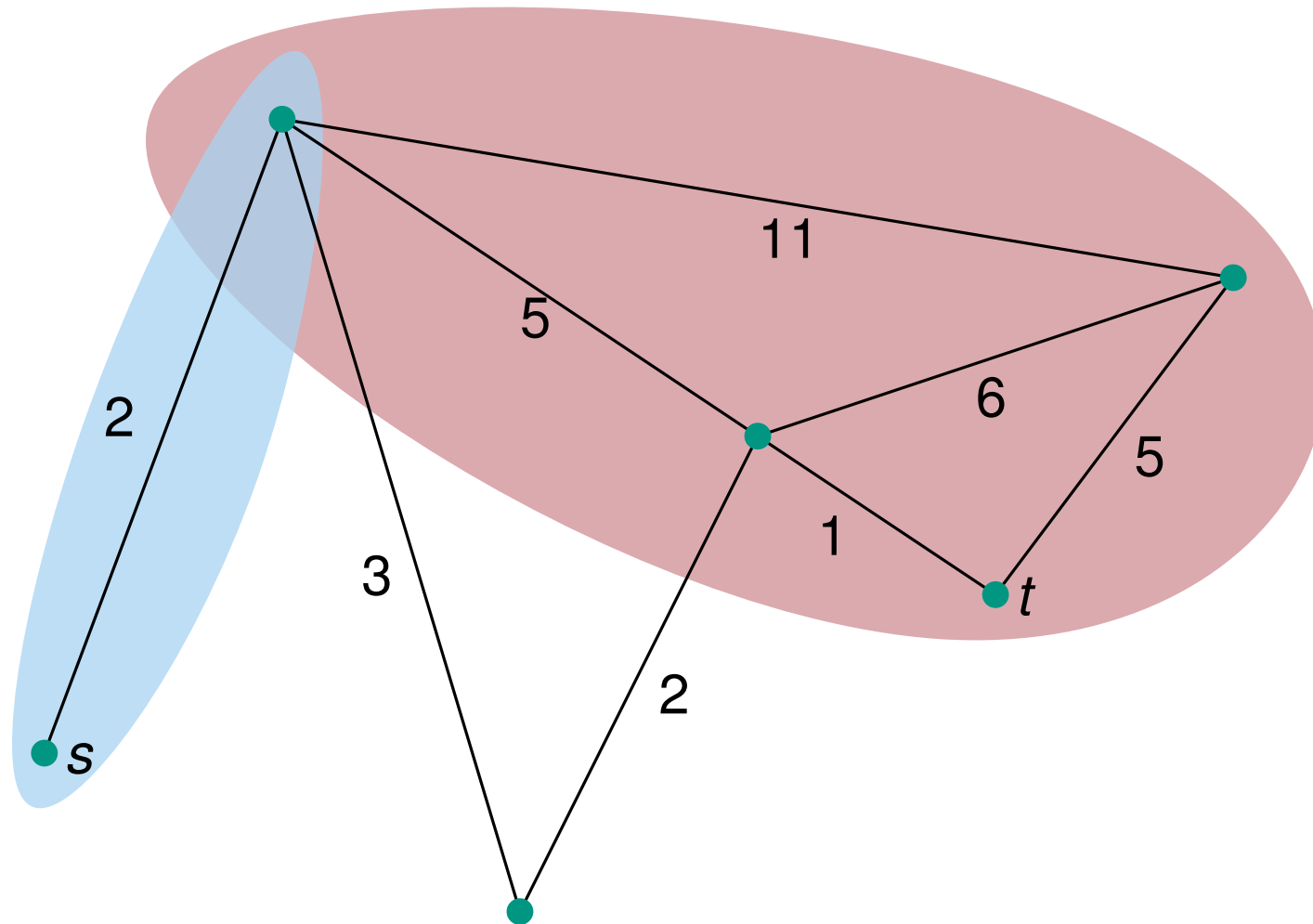


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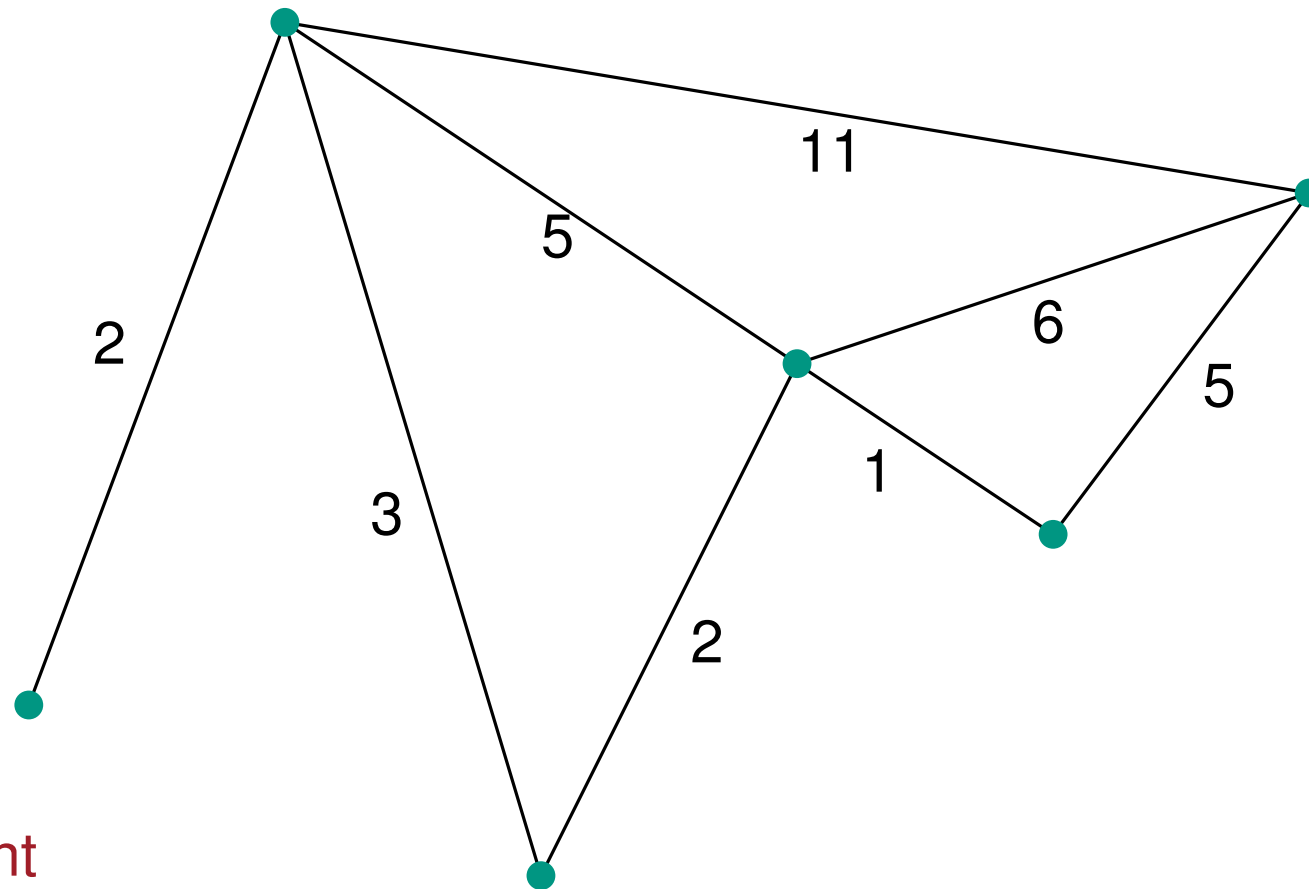
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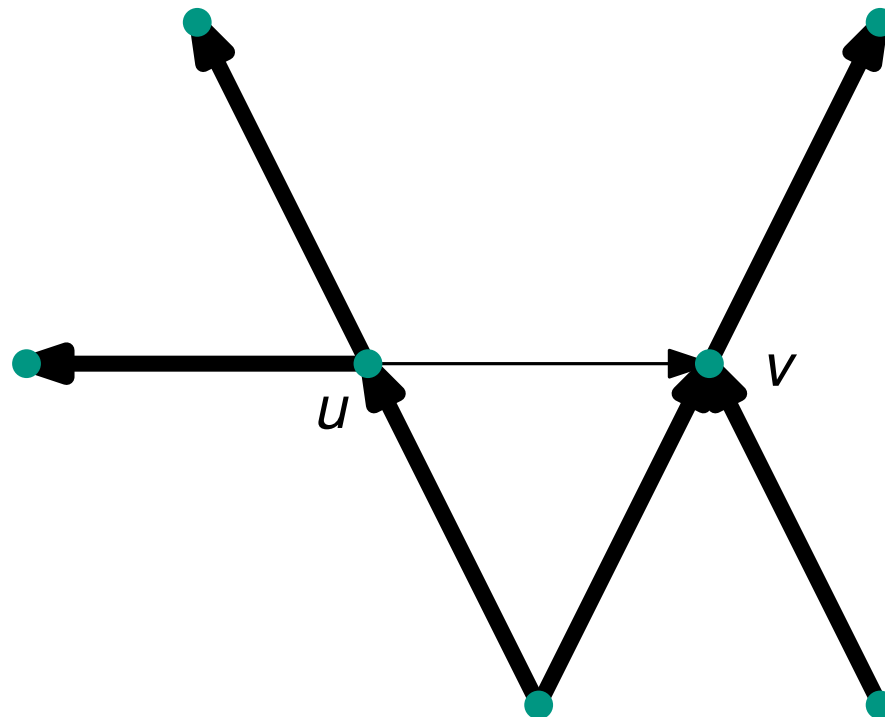
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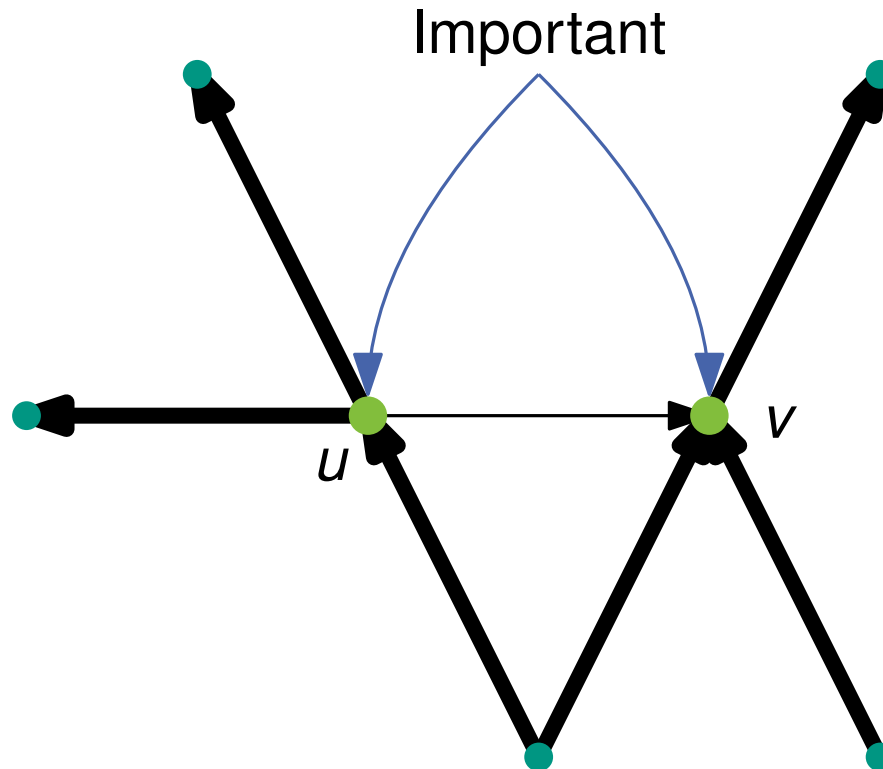


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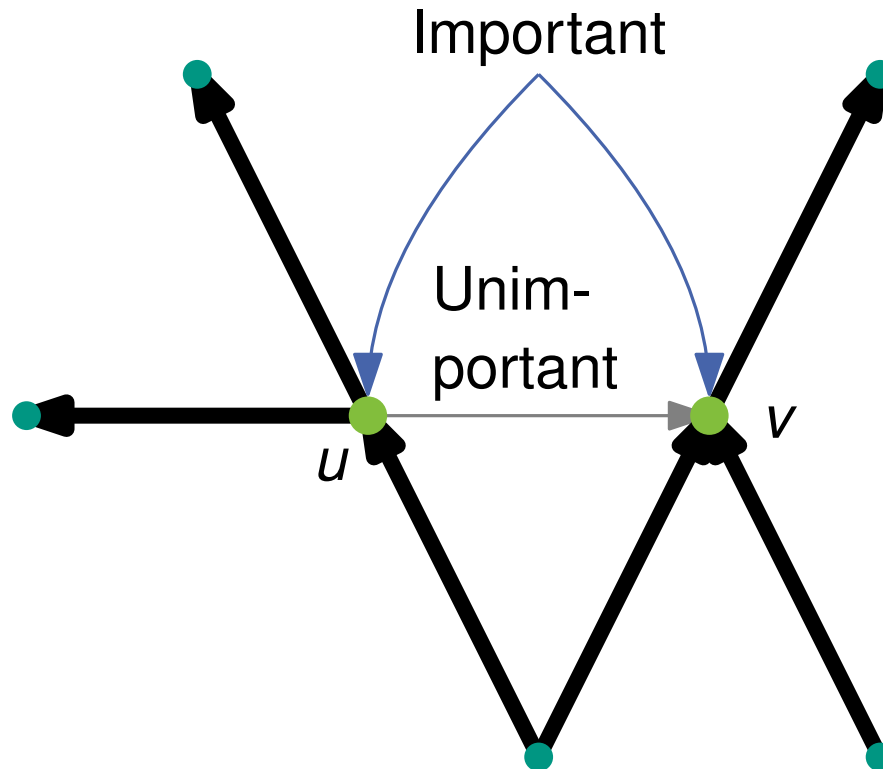
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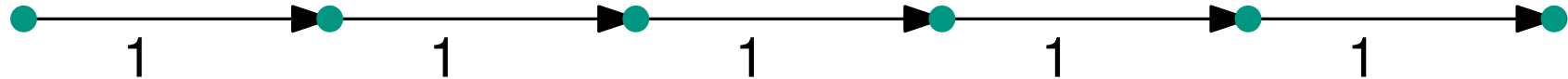
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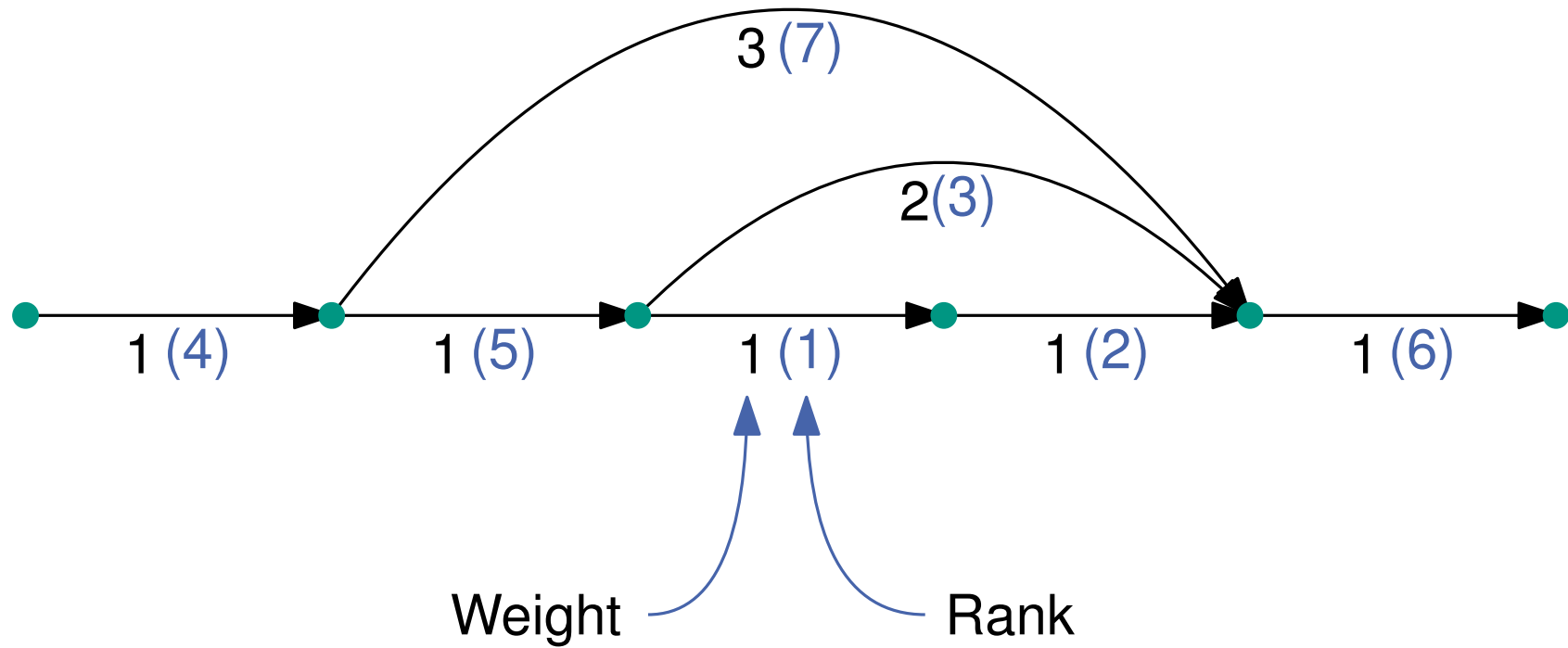
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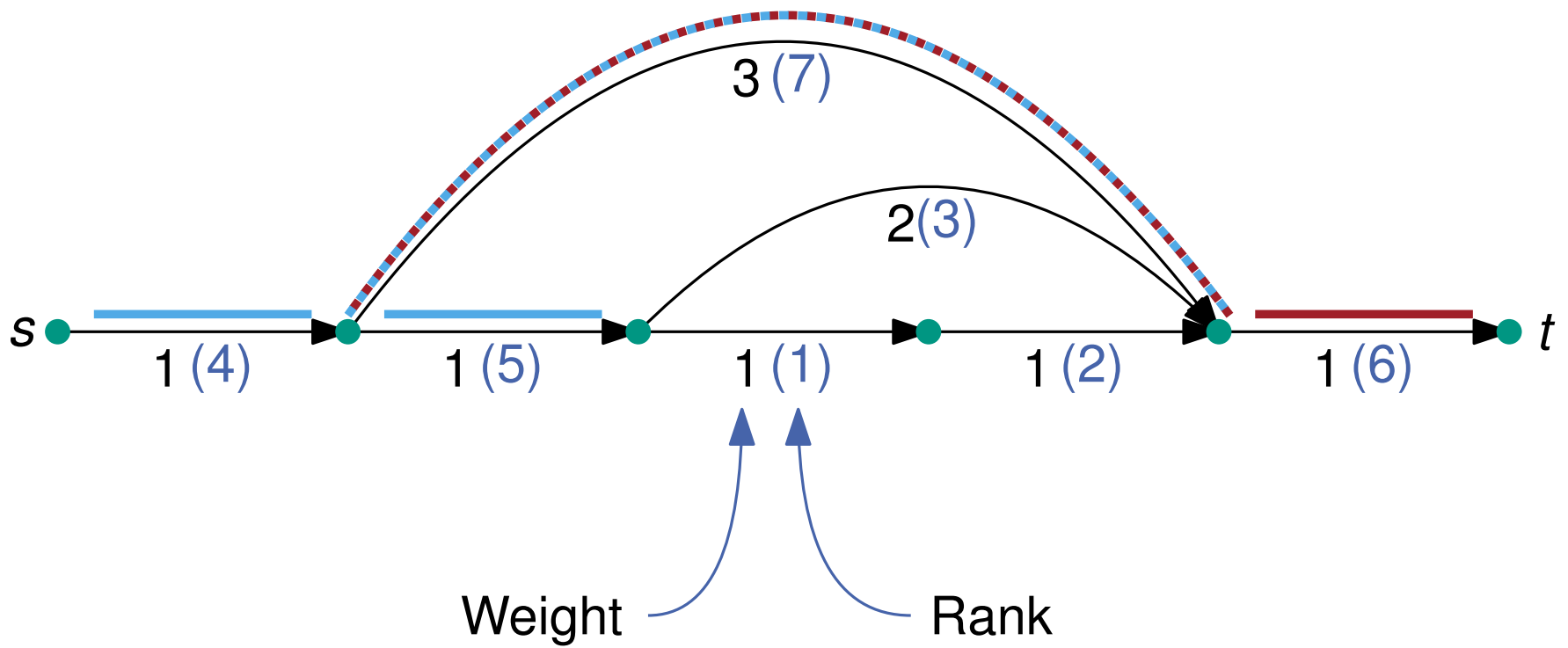


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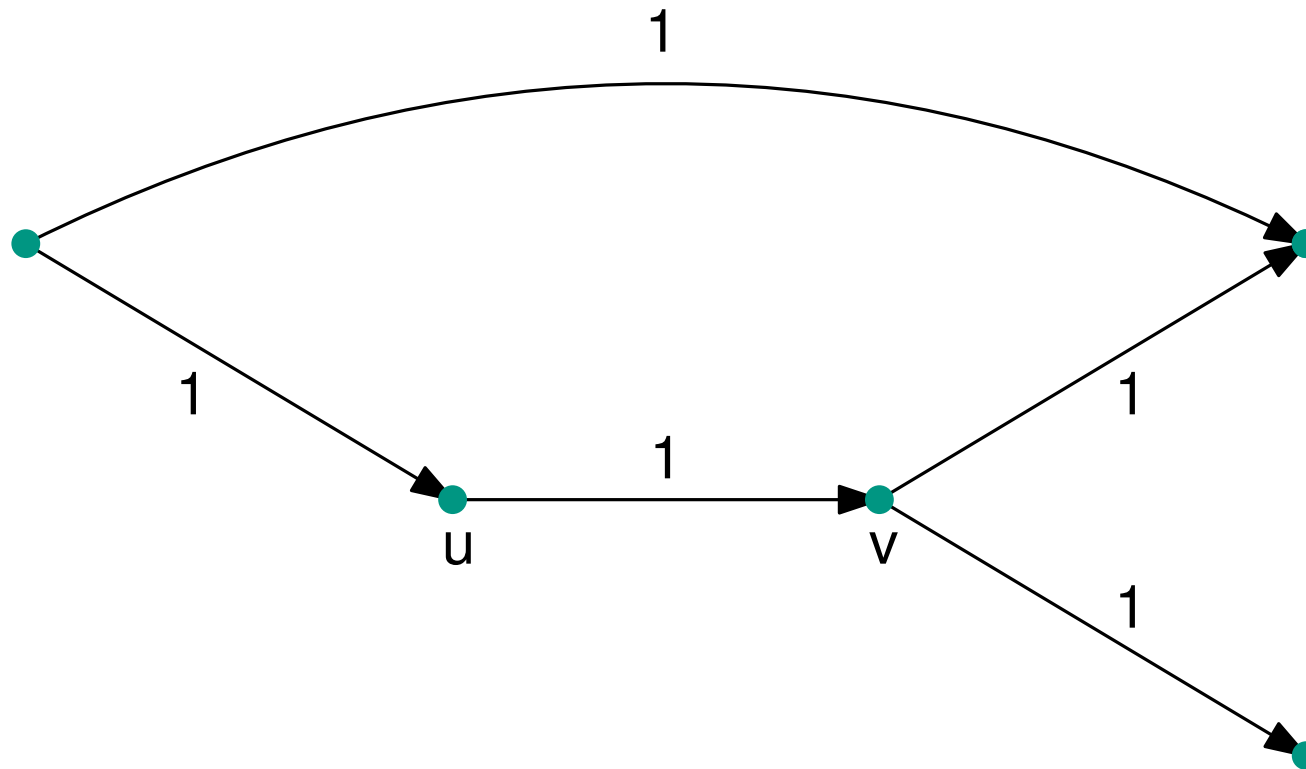


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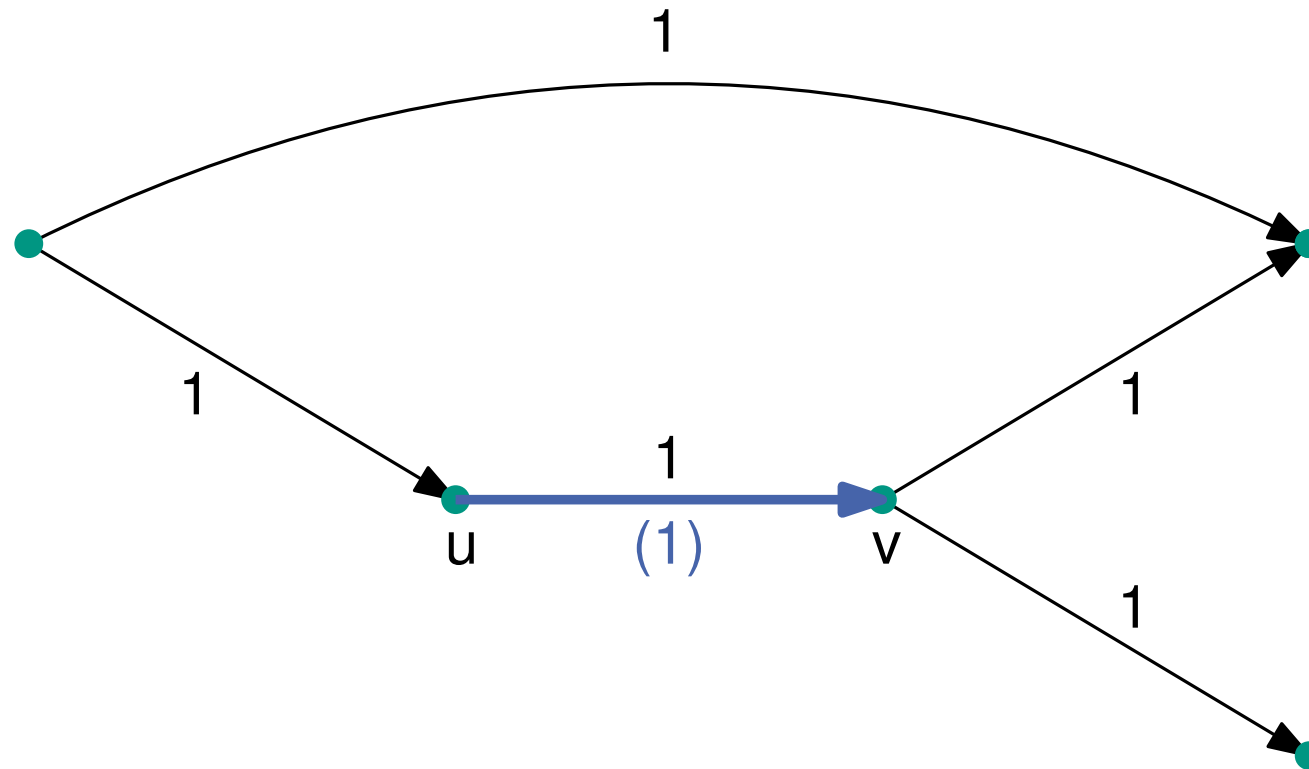
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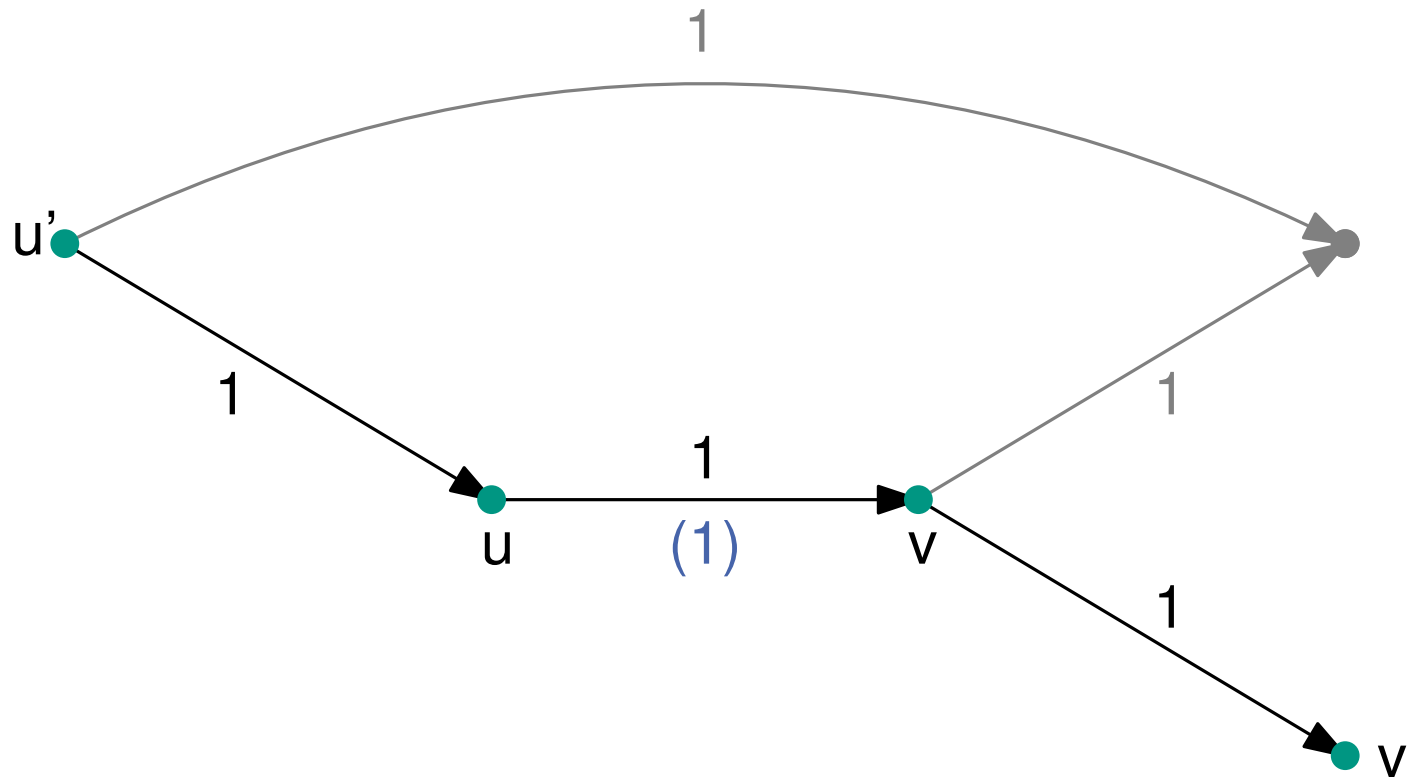
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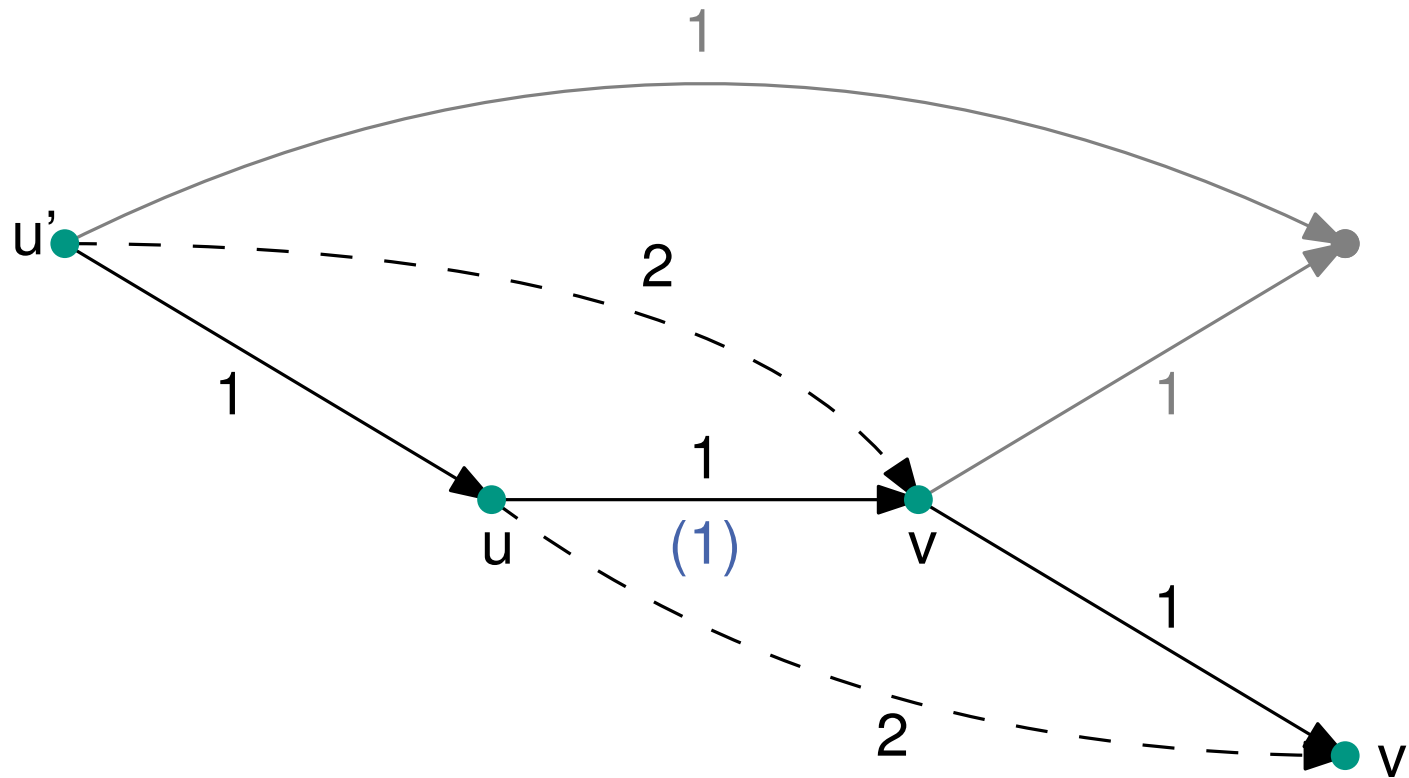
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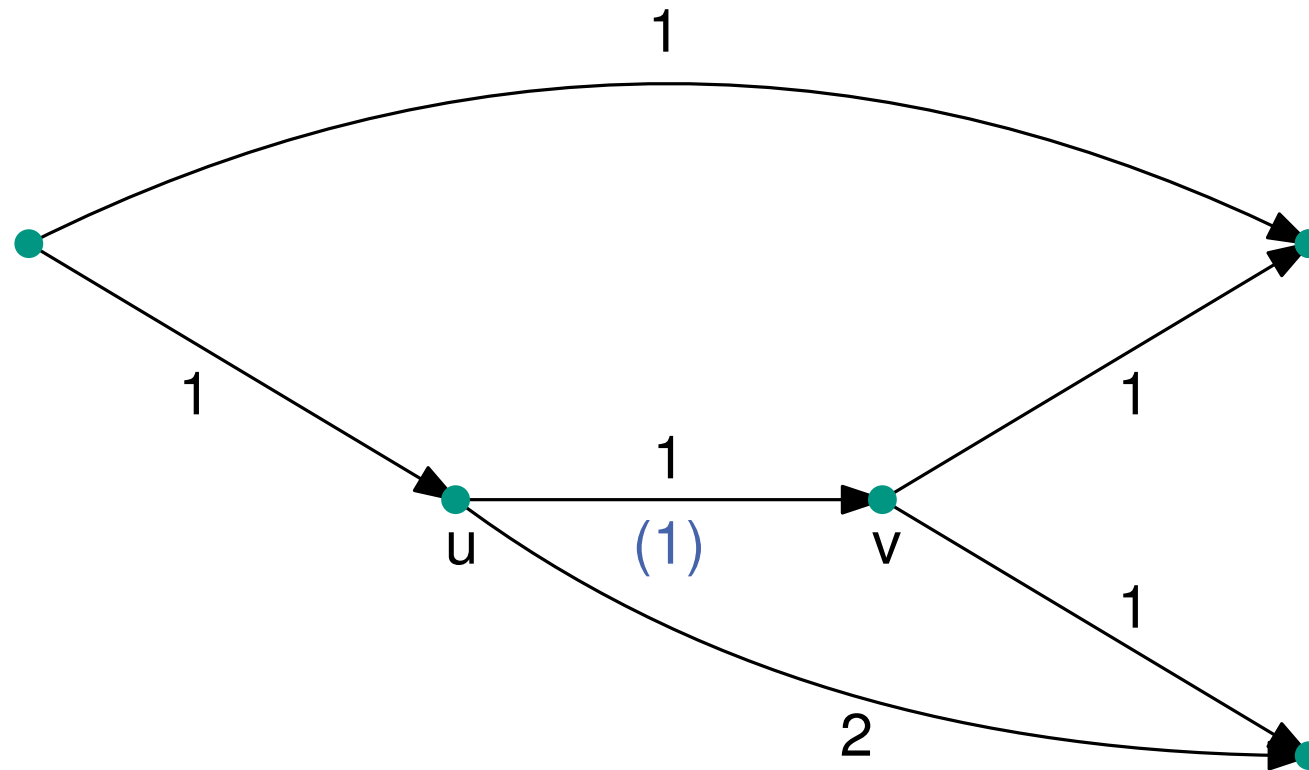
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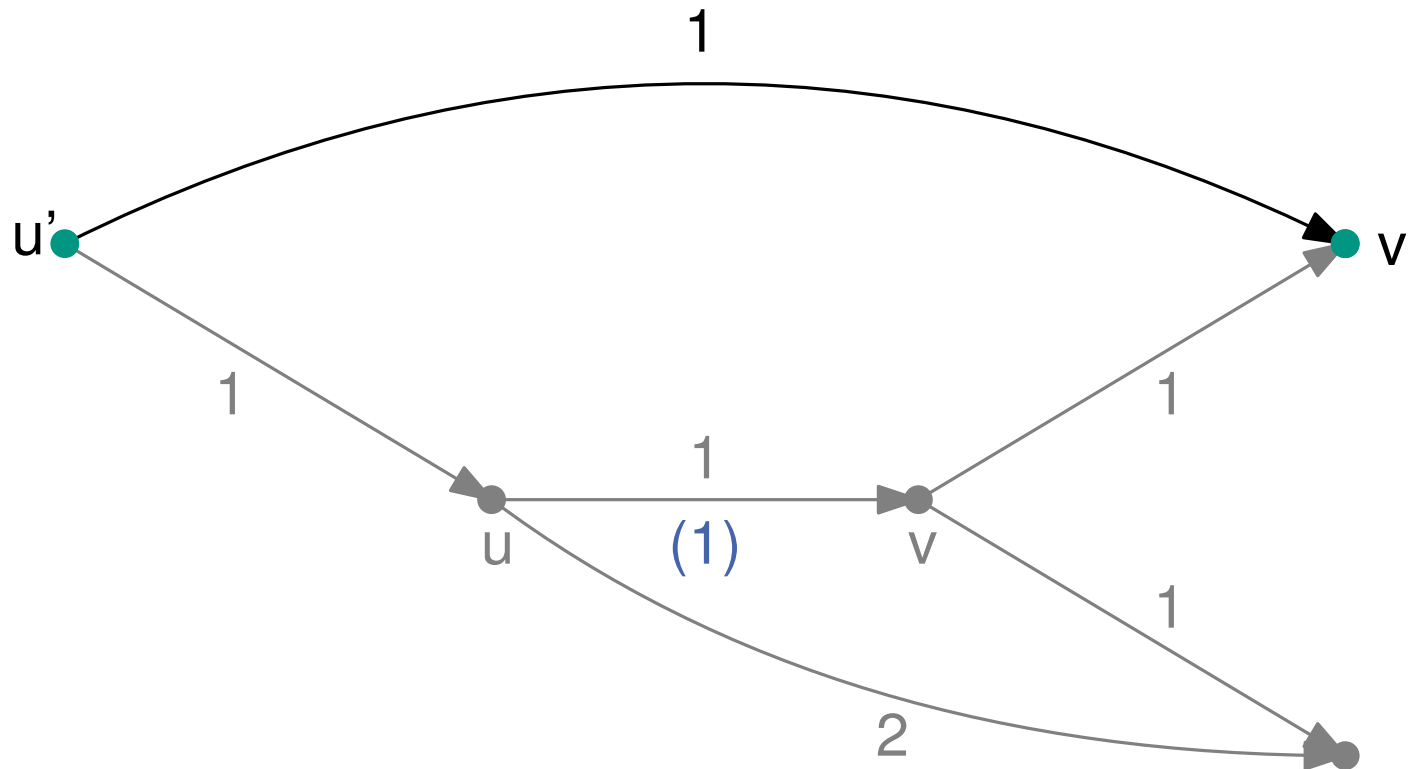
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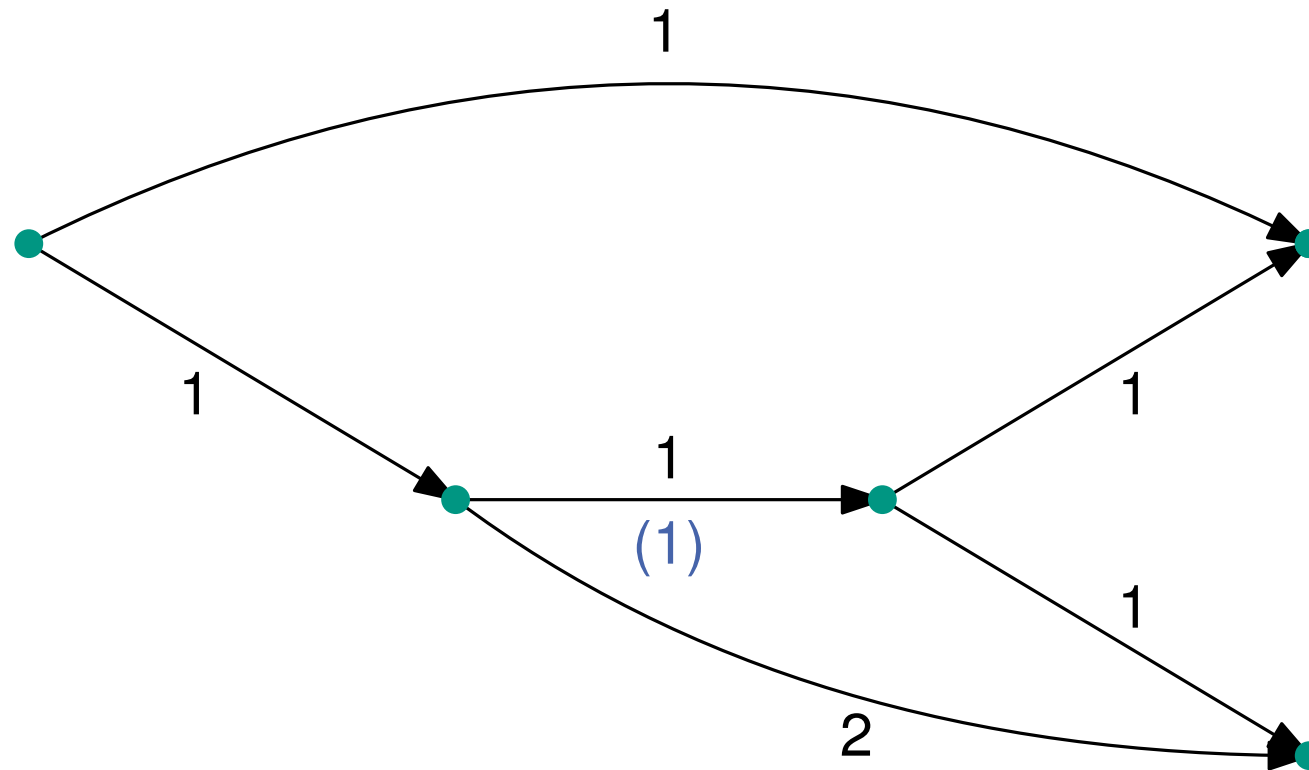
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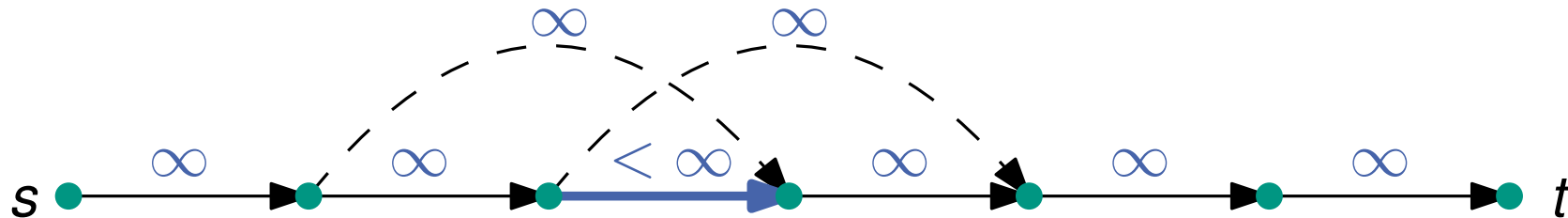
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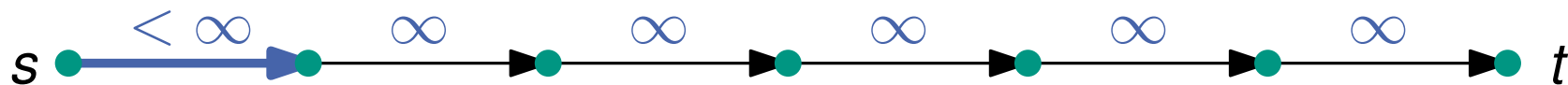
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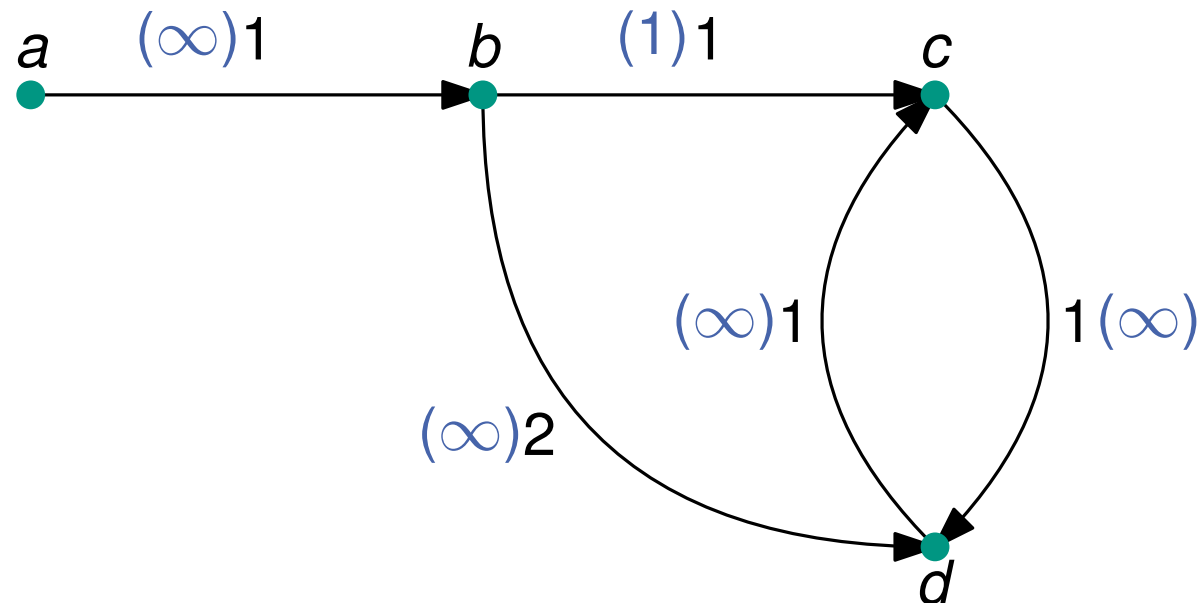
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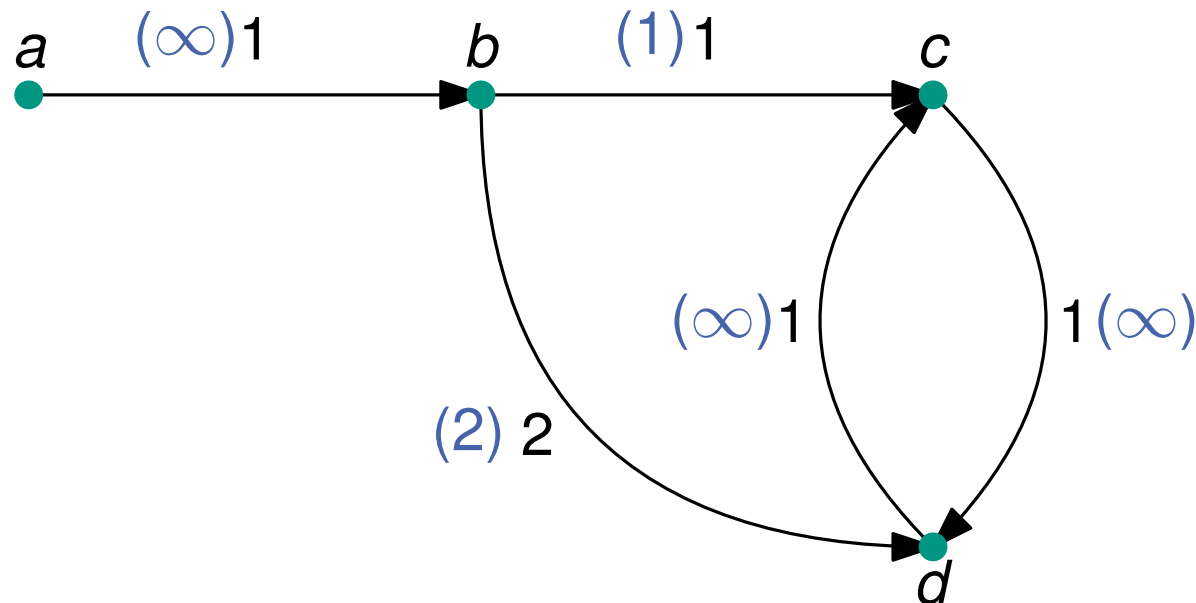


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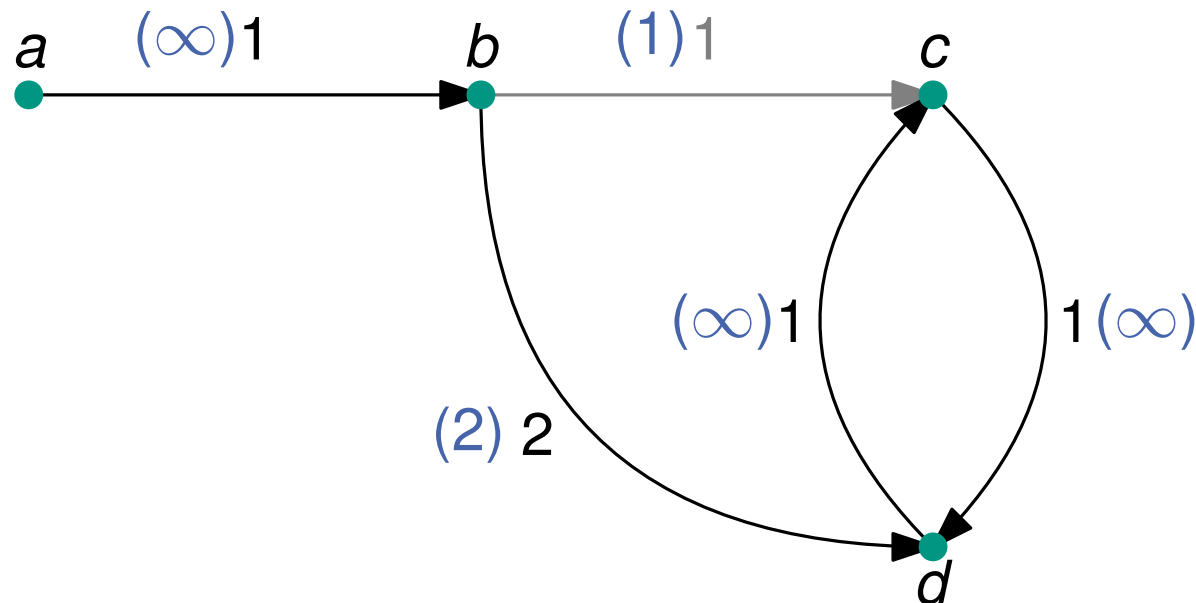
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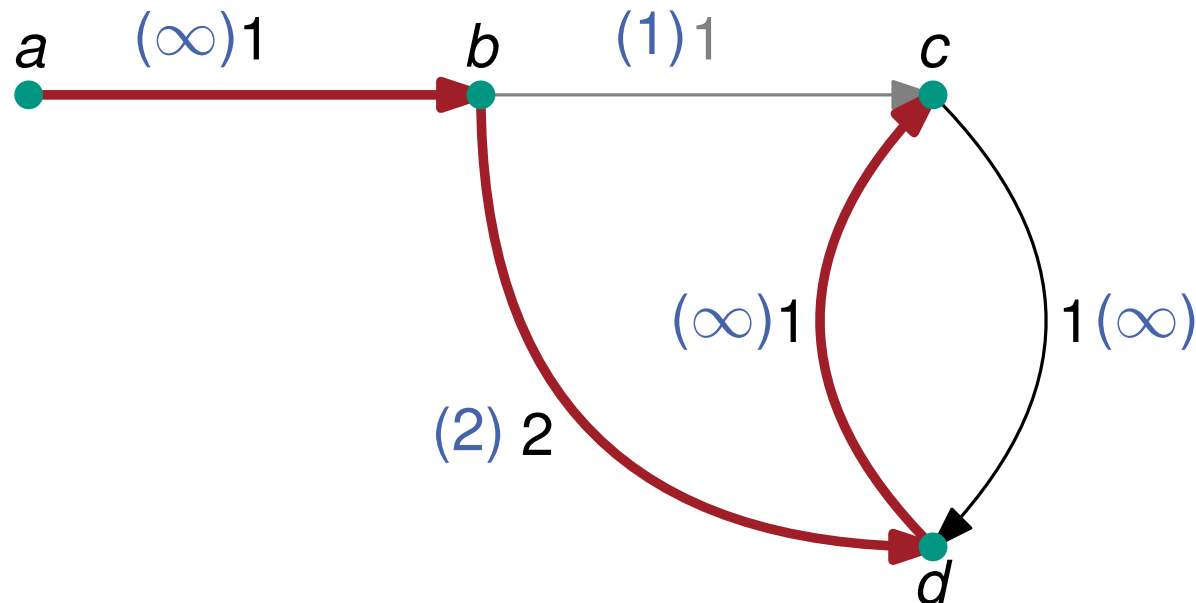
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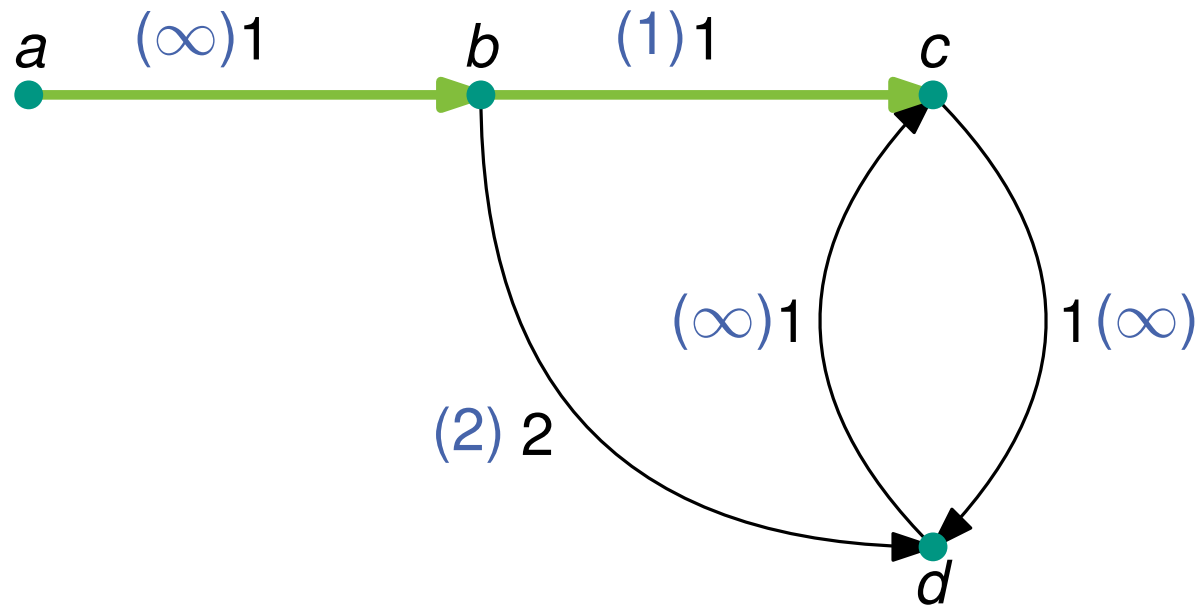
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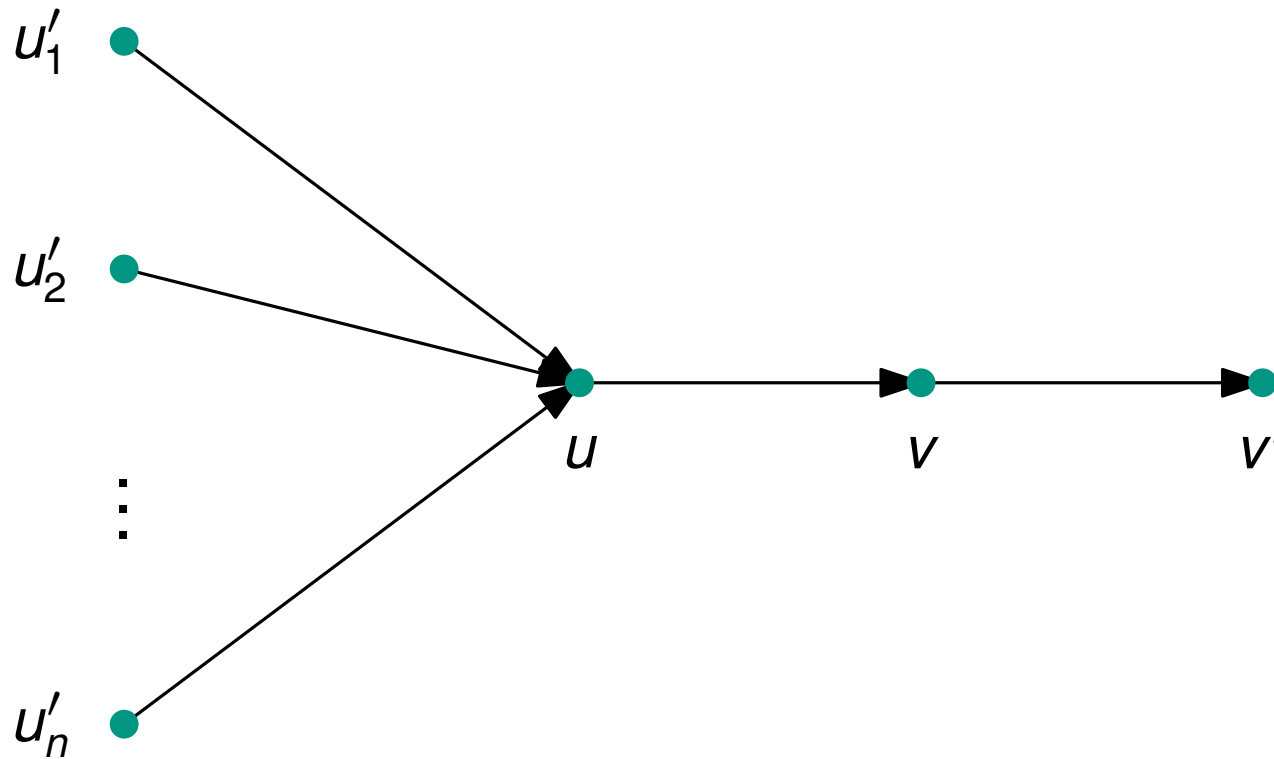
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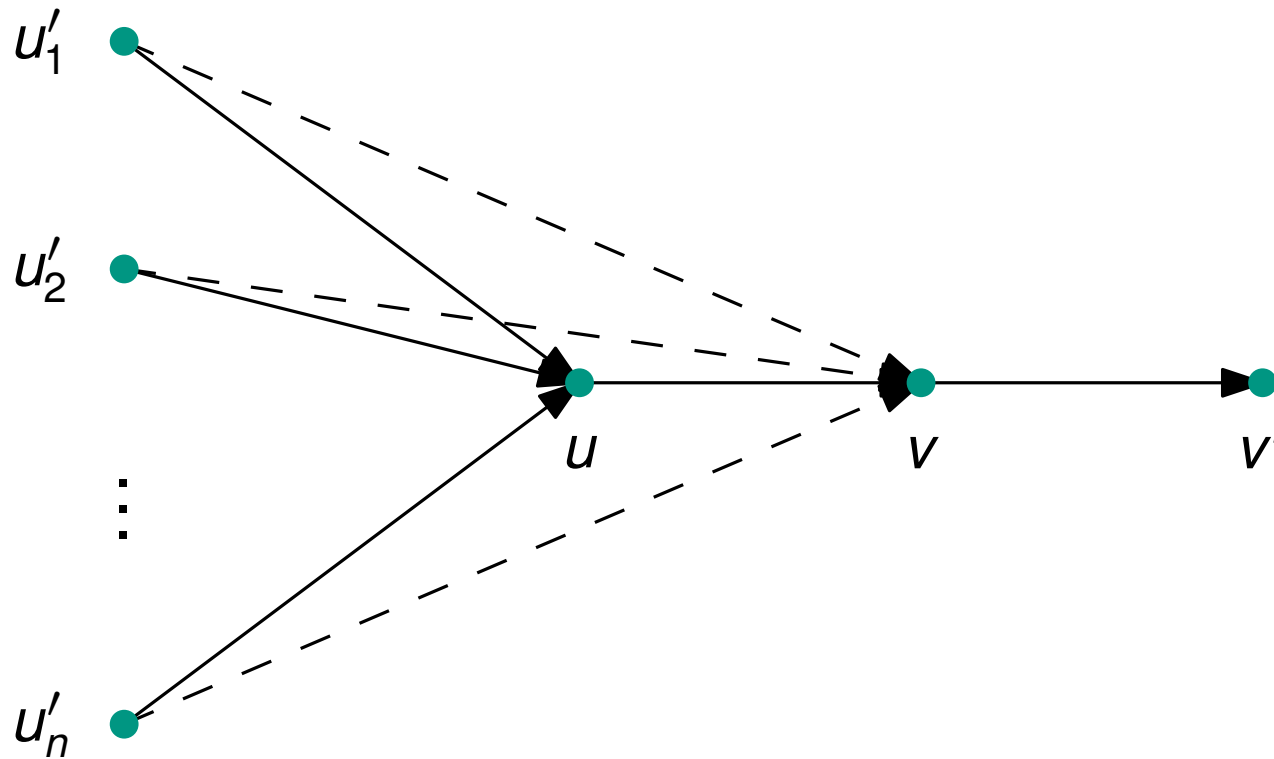


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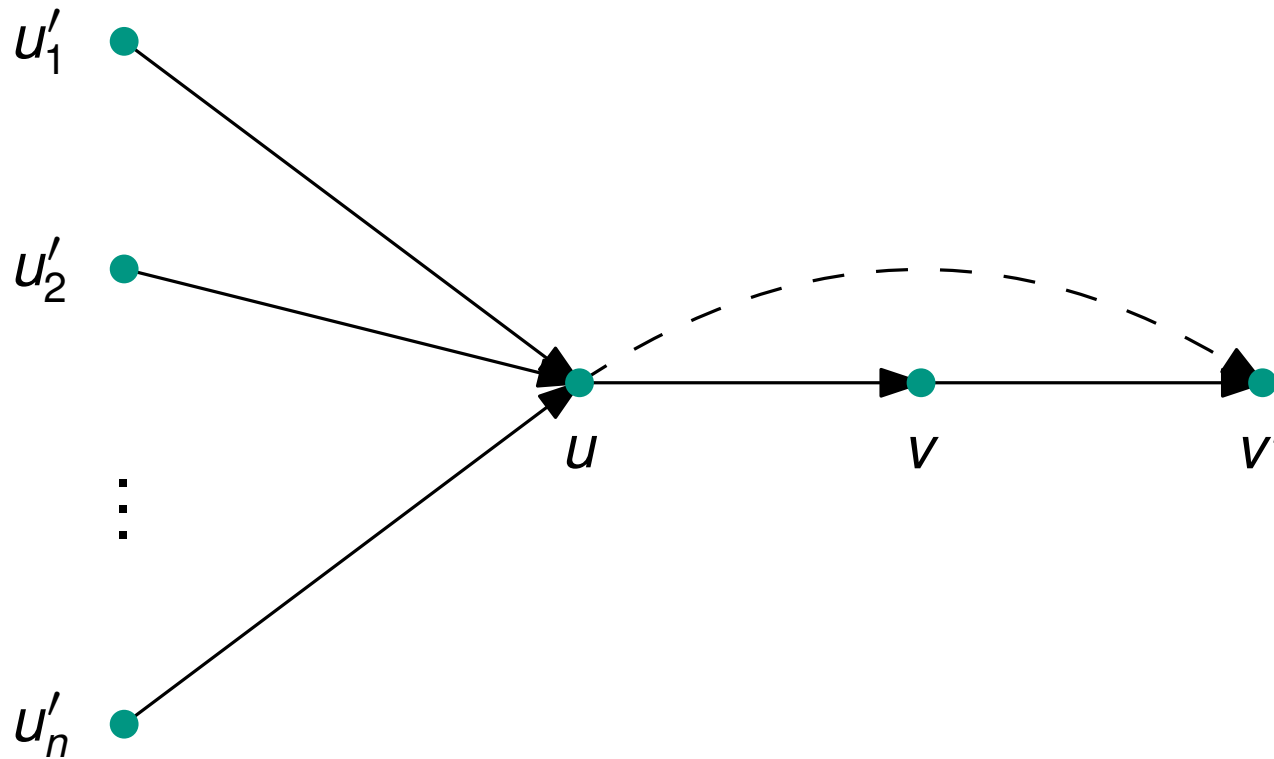
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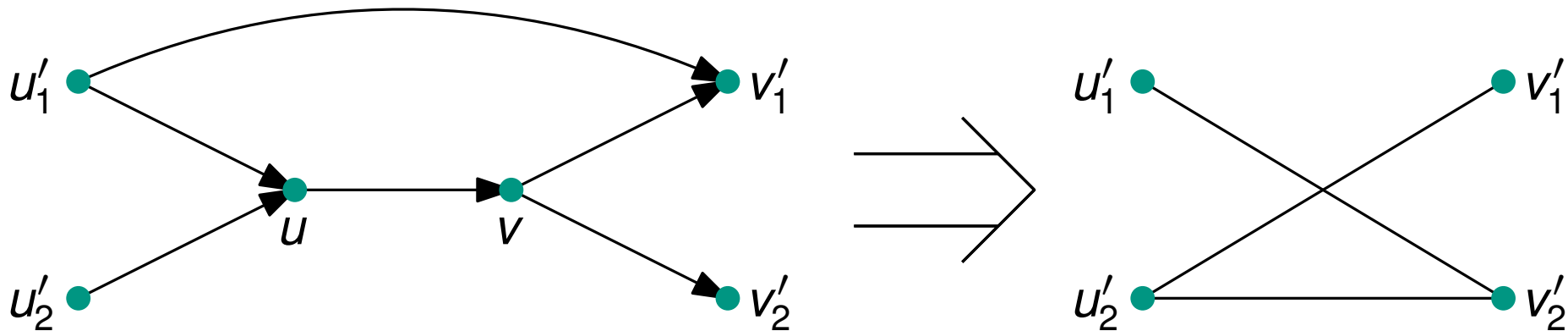
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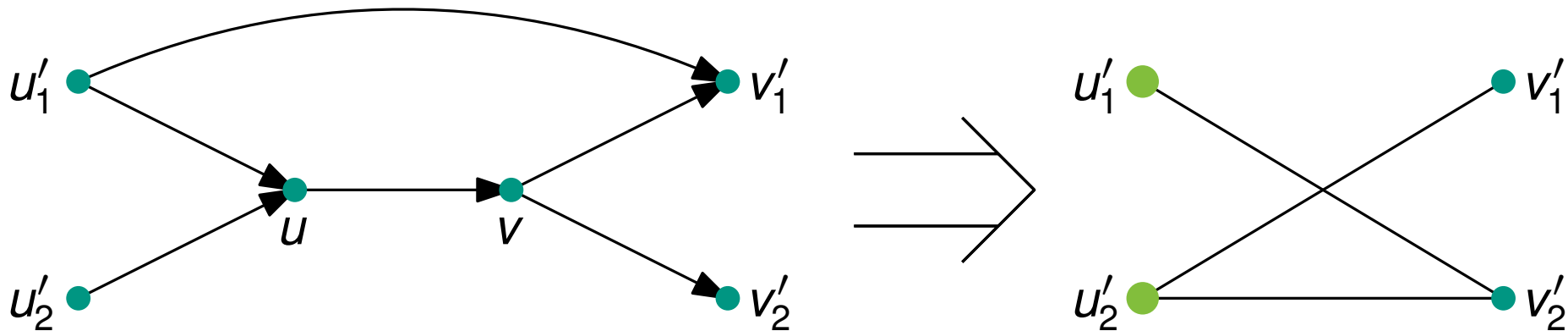
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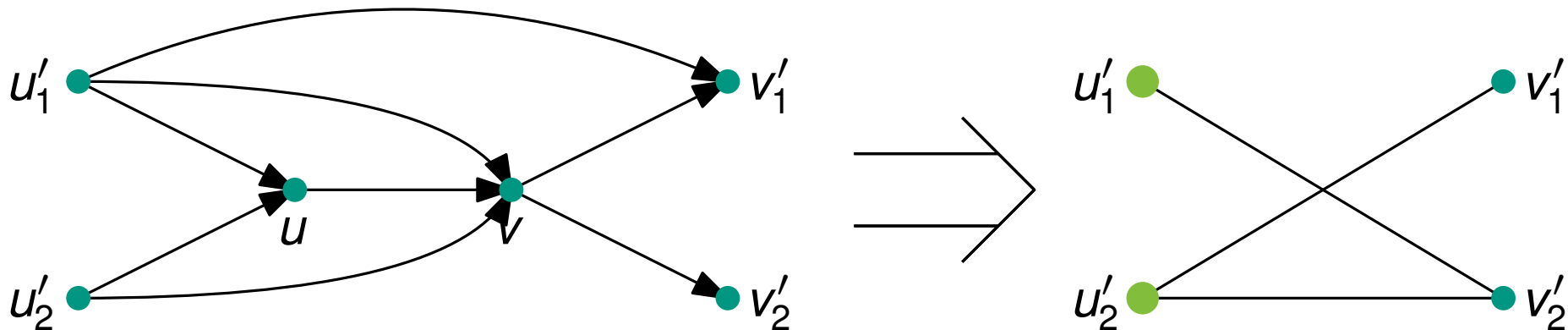
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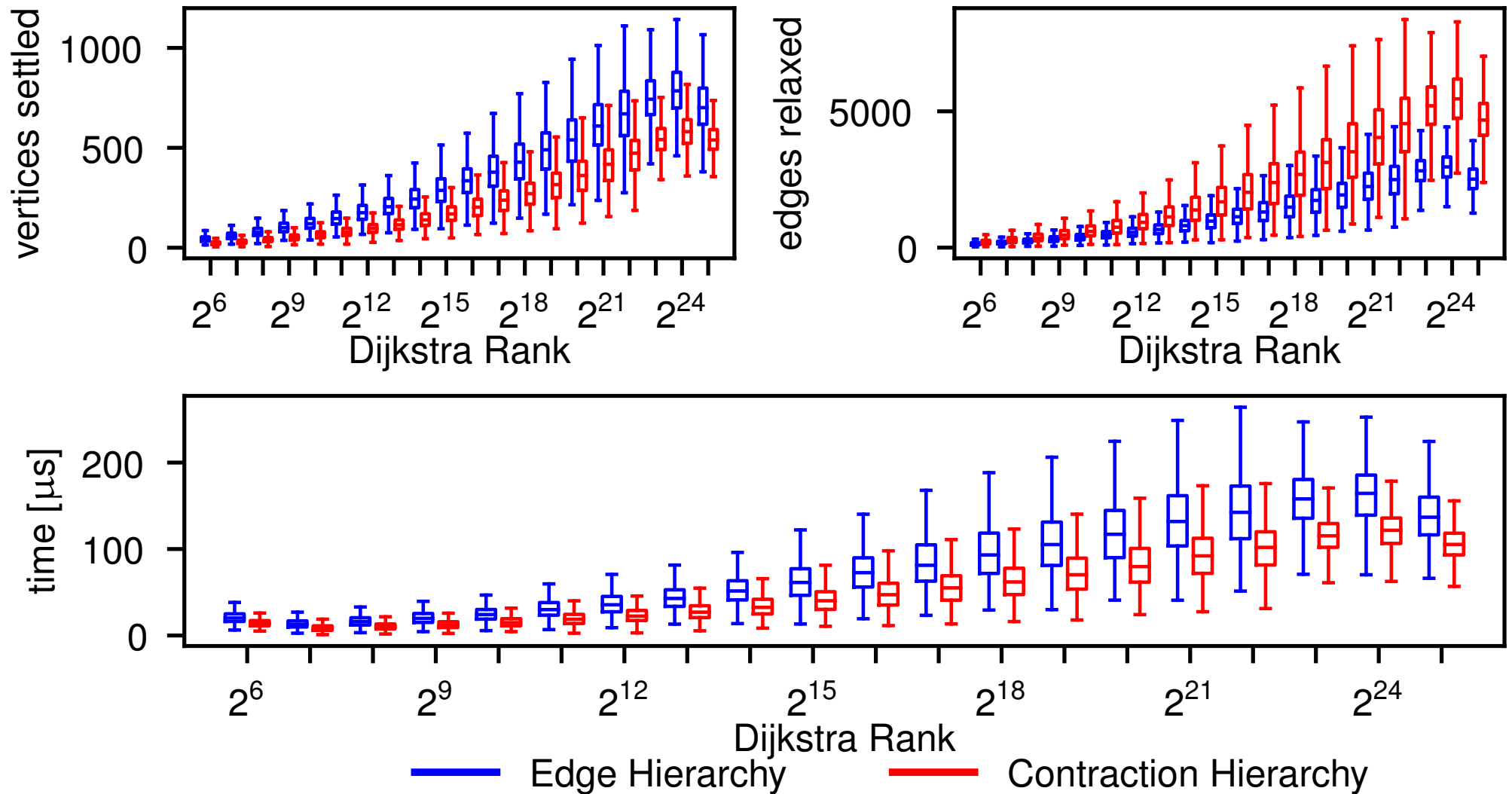
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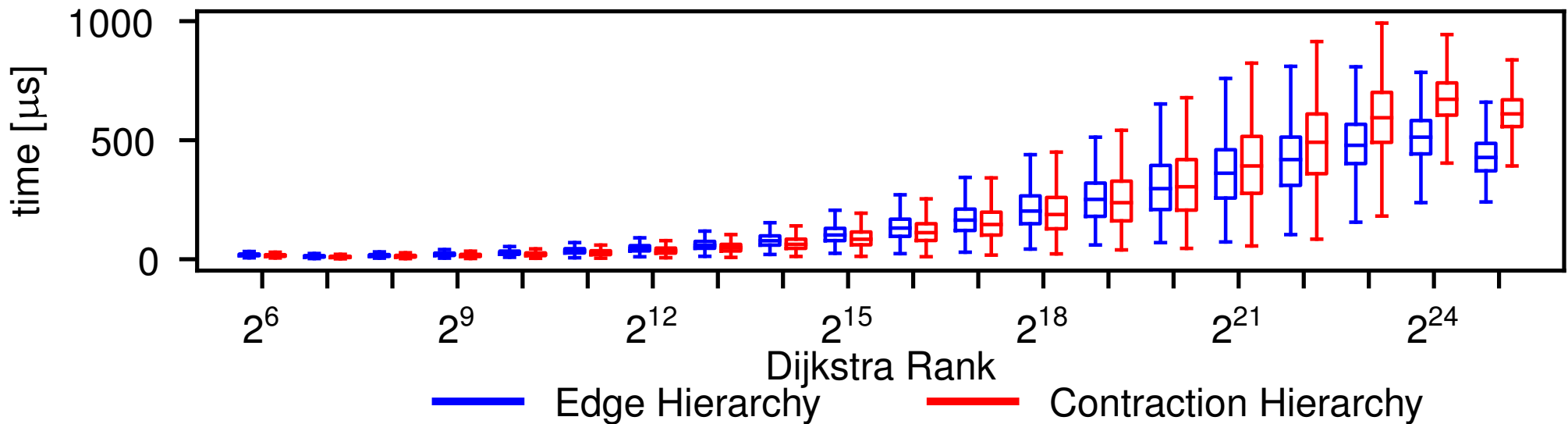
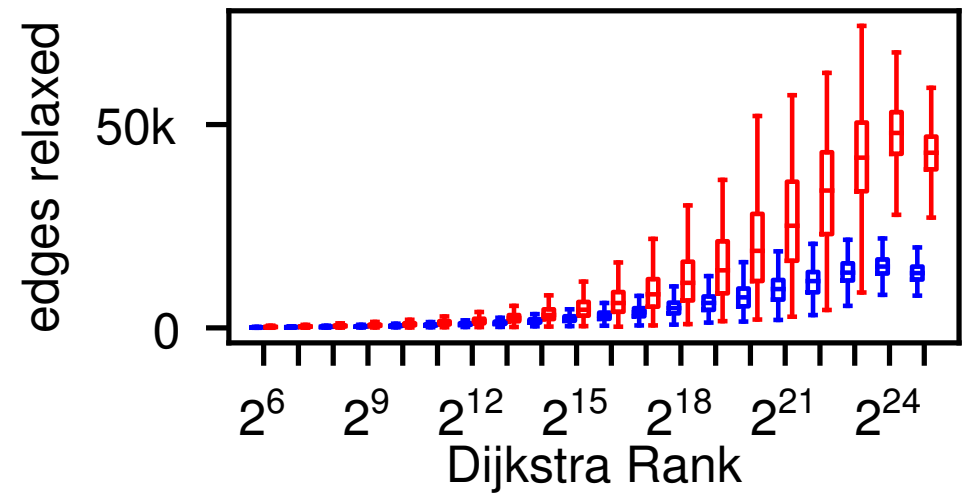
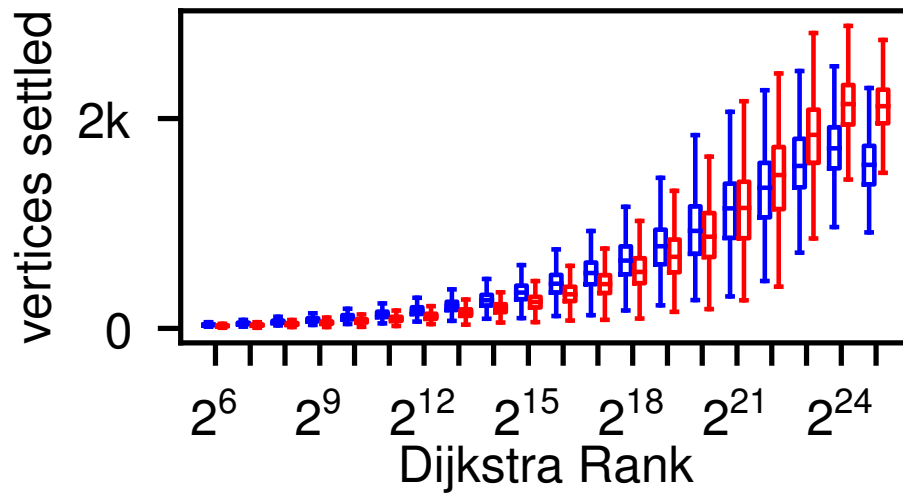
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Queries (Travel Time + Turns)



Instance: Western Europe by PTV

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The End

■ In the Paper

- Edge Selection
- **Partial** Stall on Demand

■ Future Work

- **Cache efficient** distance labels
- Applications with more **expensive edge relaxations**

■ Questions?

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