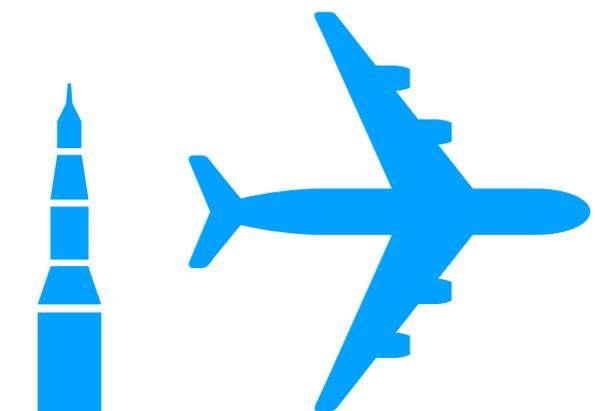
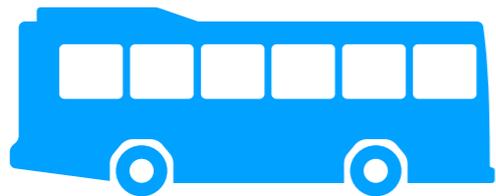


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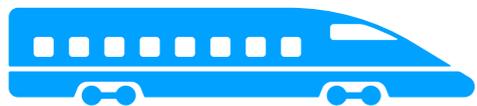
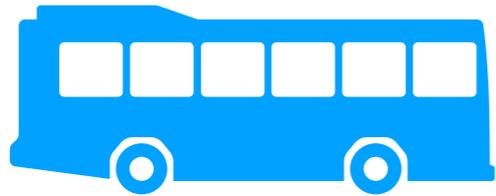


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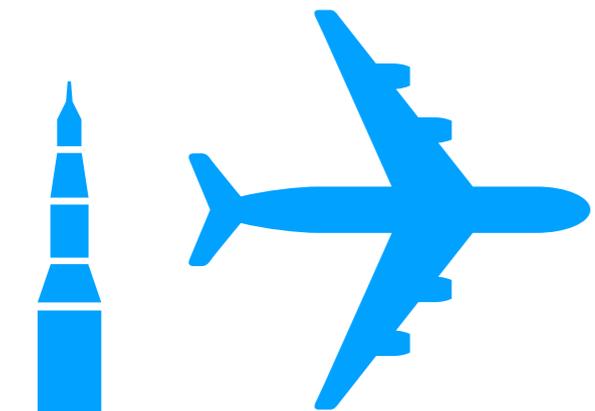
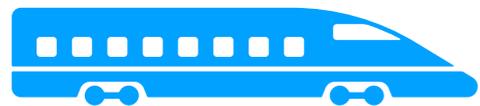
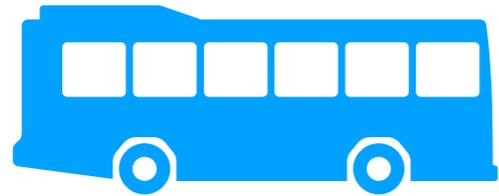


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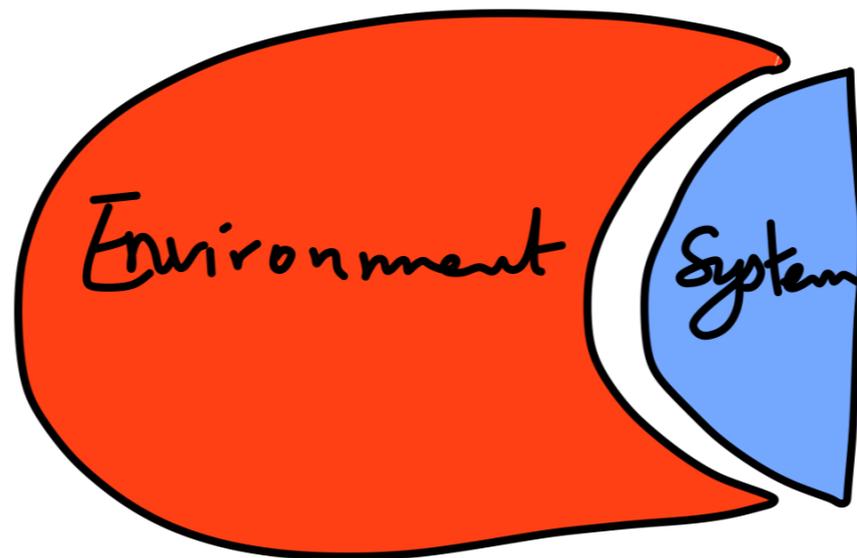
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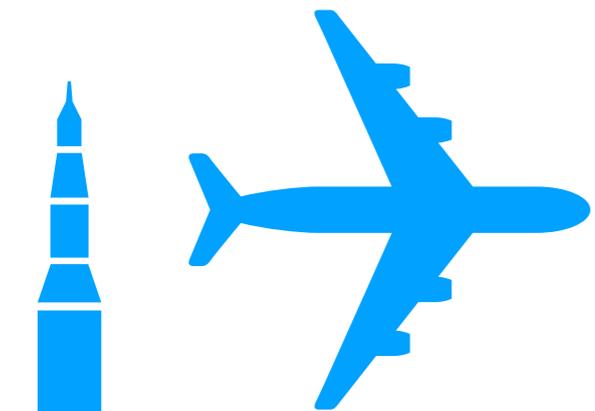
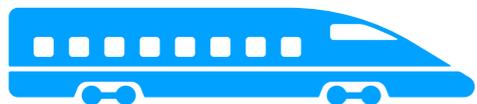
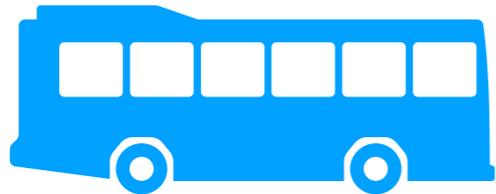
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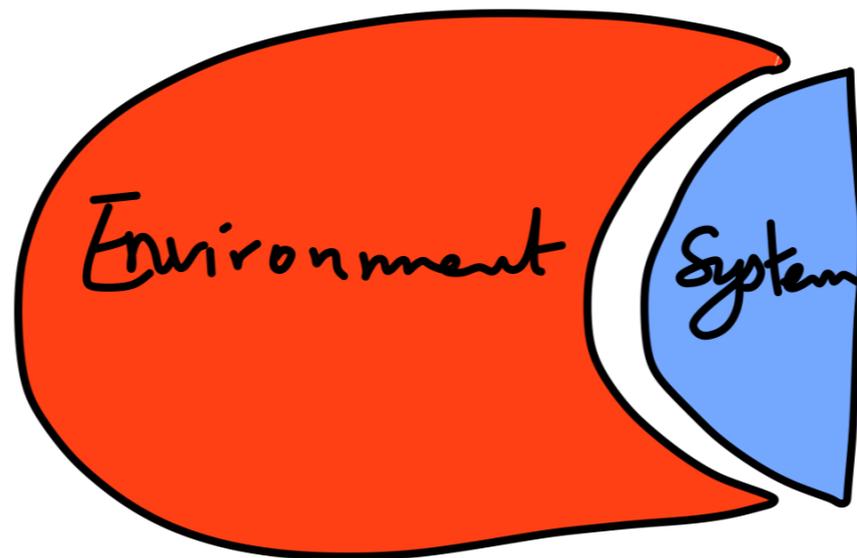
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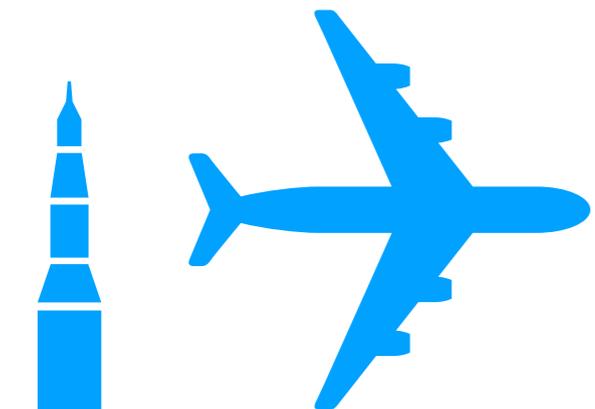
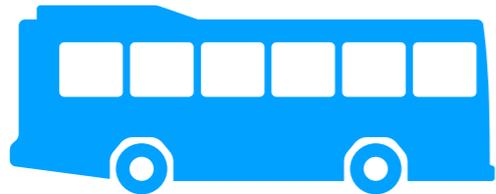
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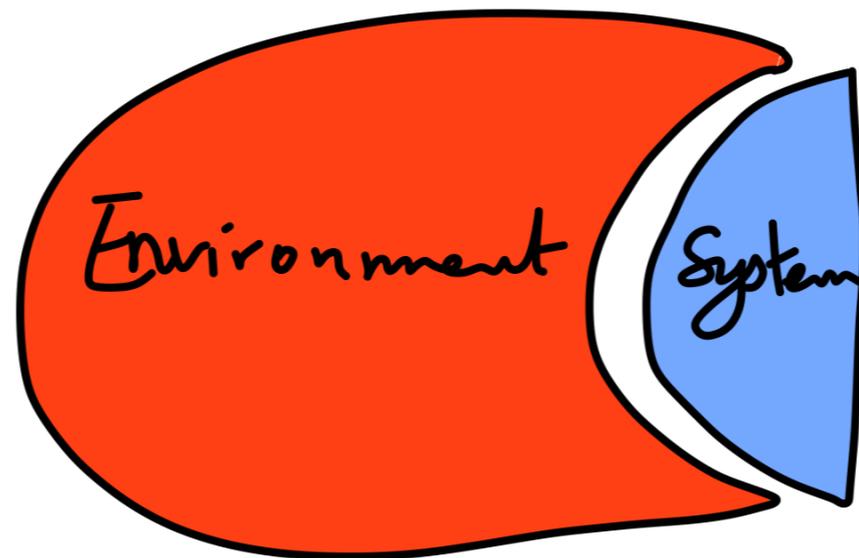
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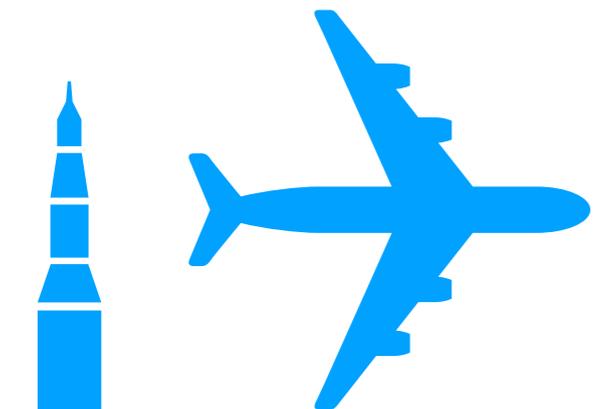
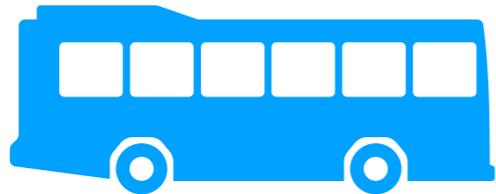


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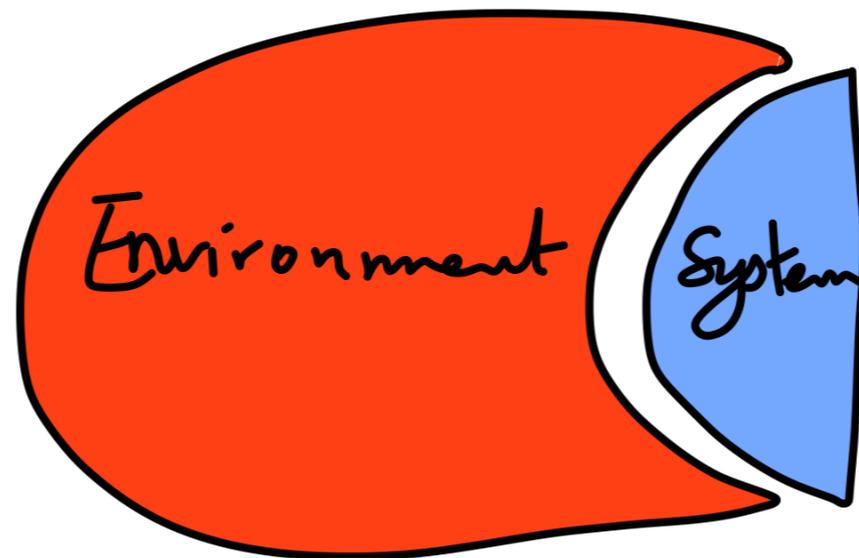
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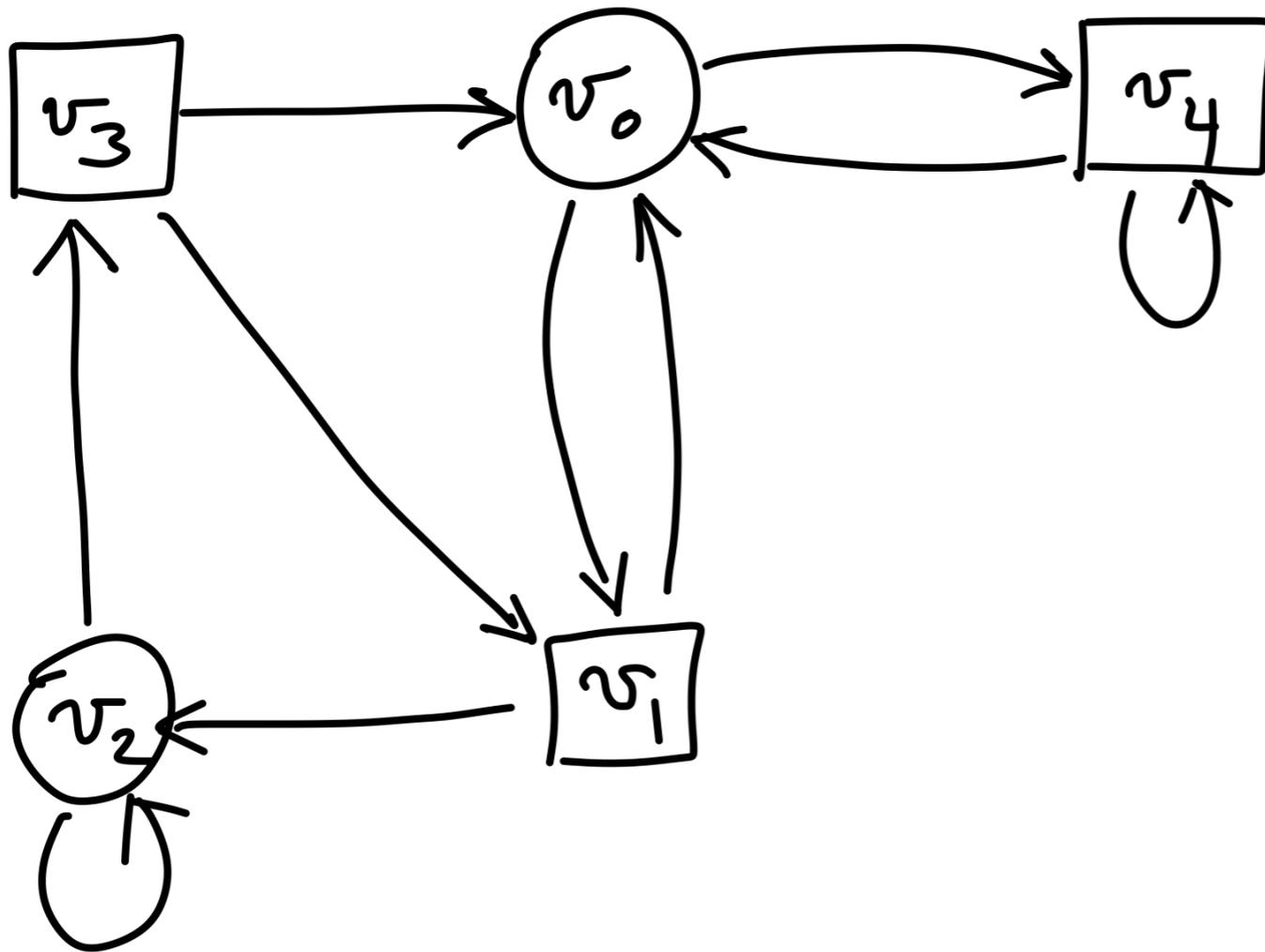
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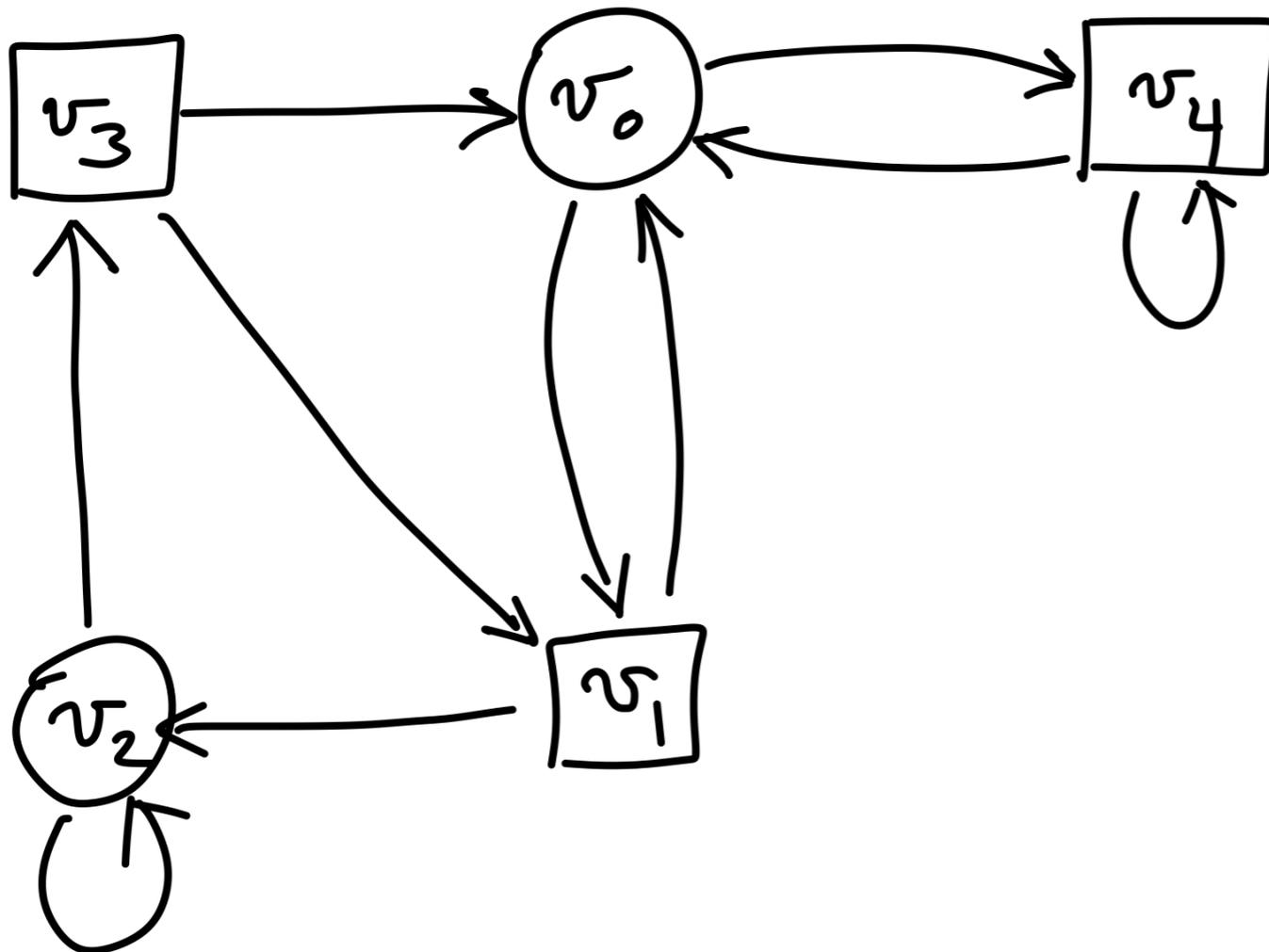


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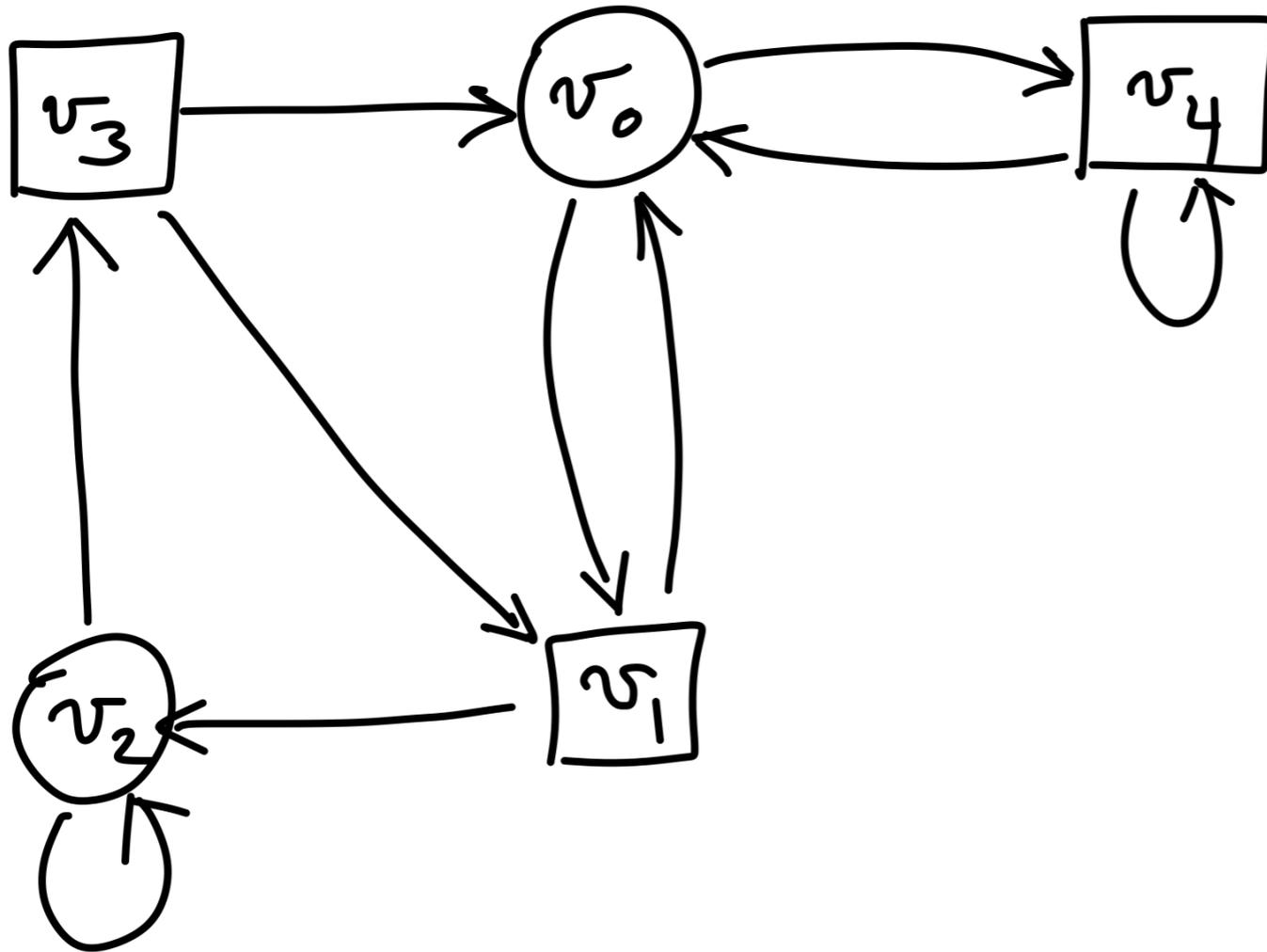
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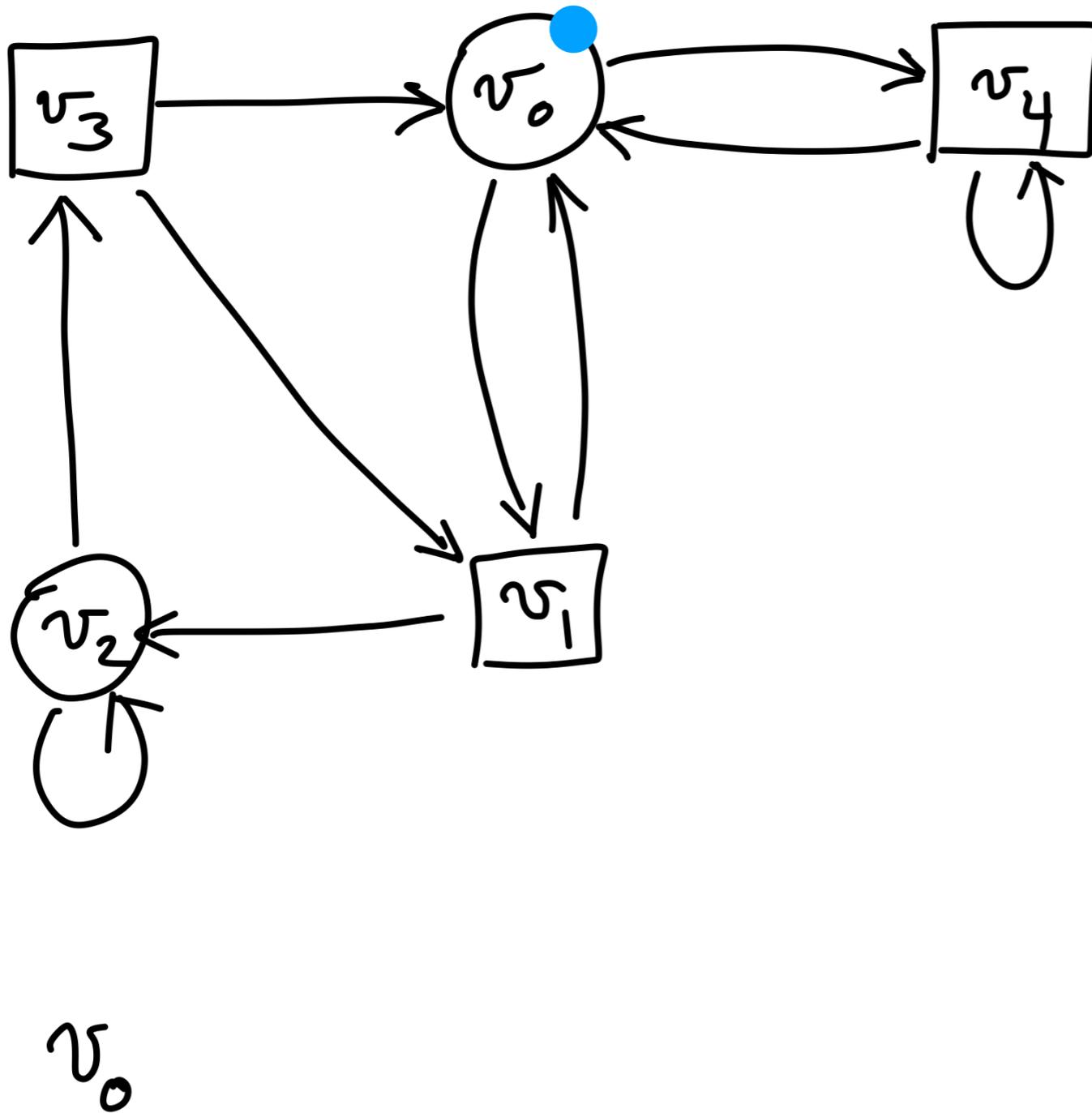
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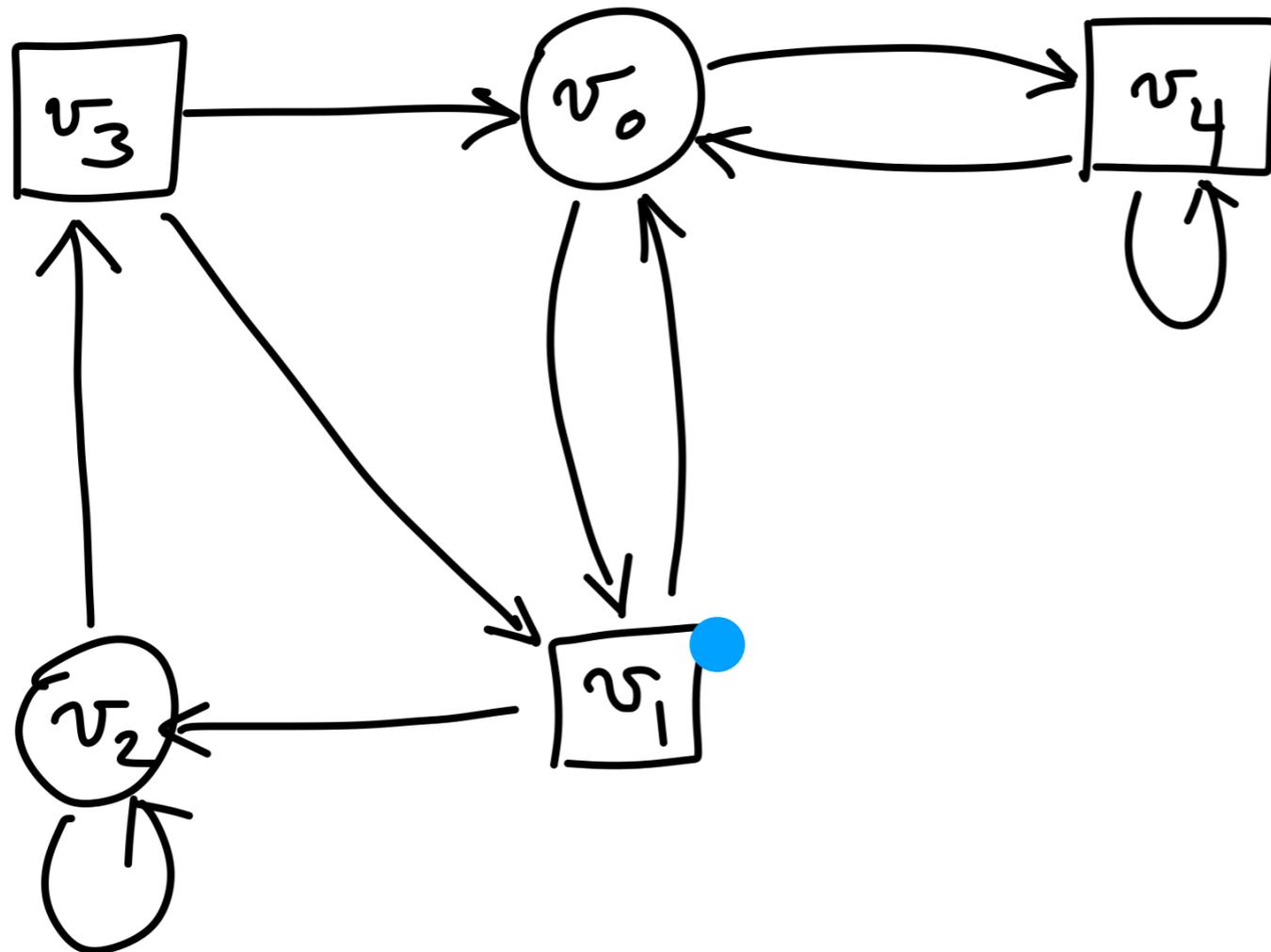
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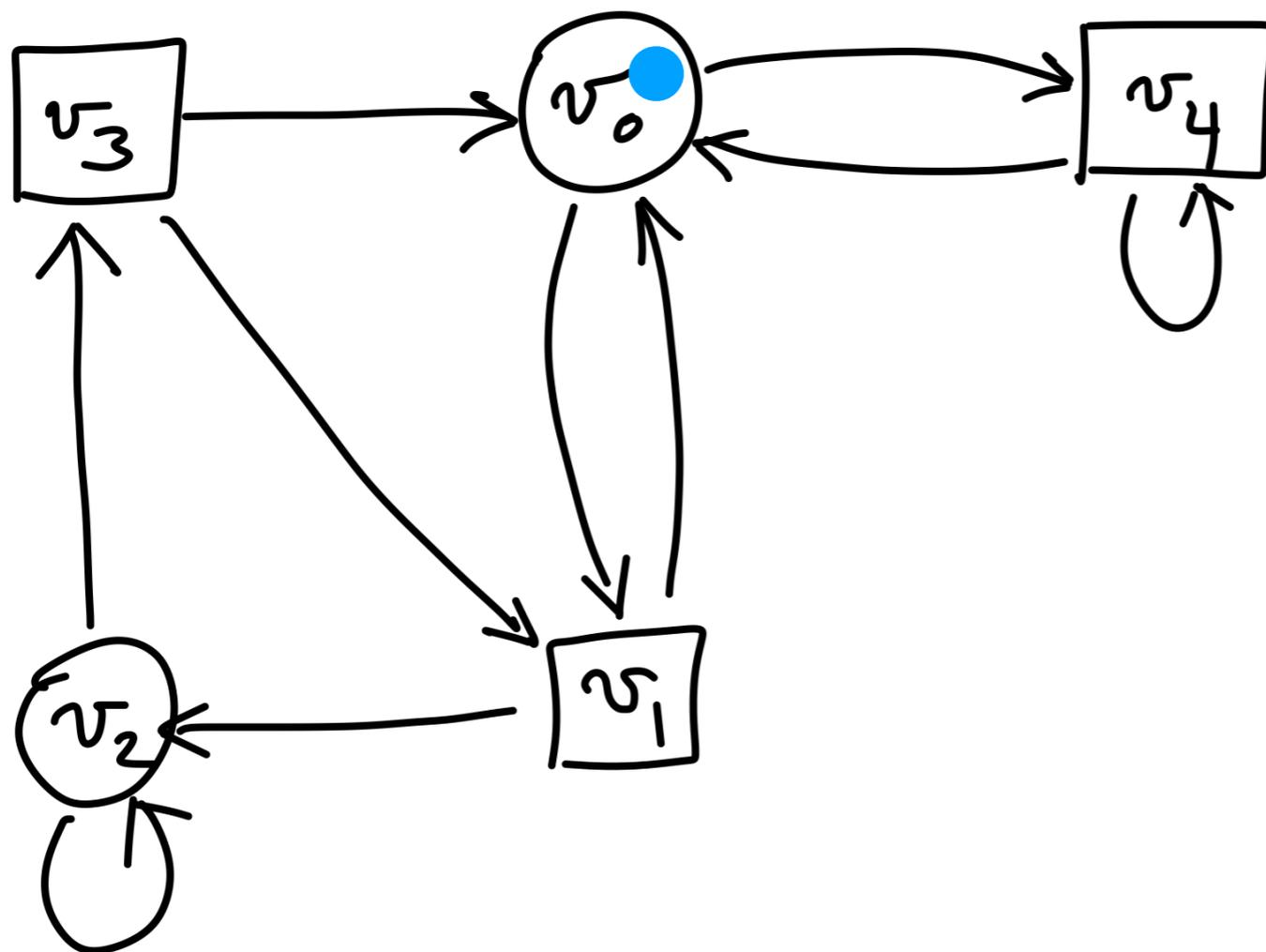
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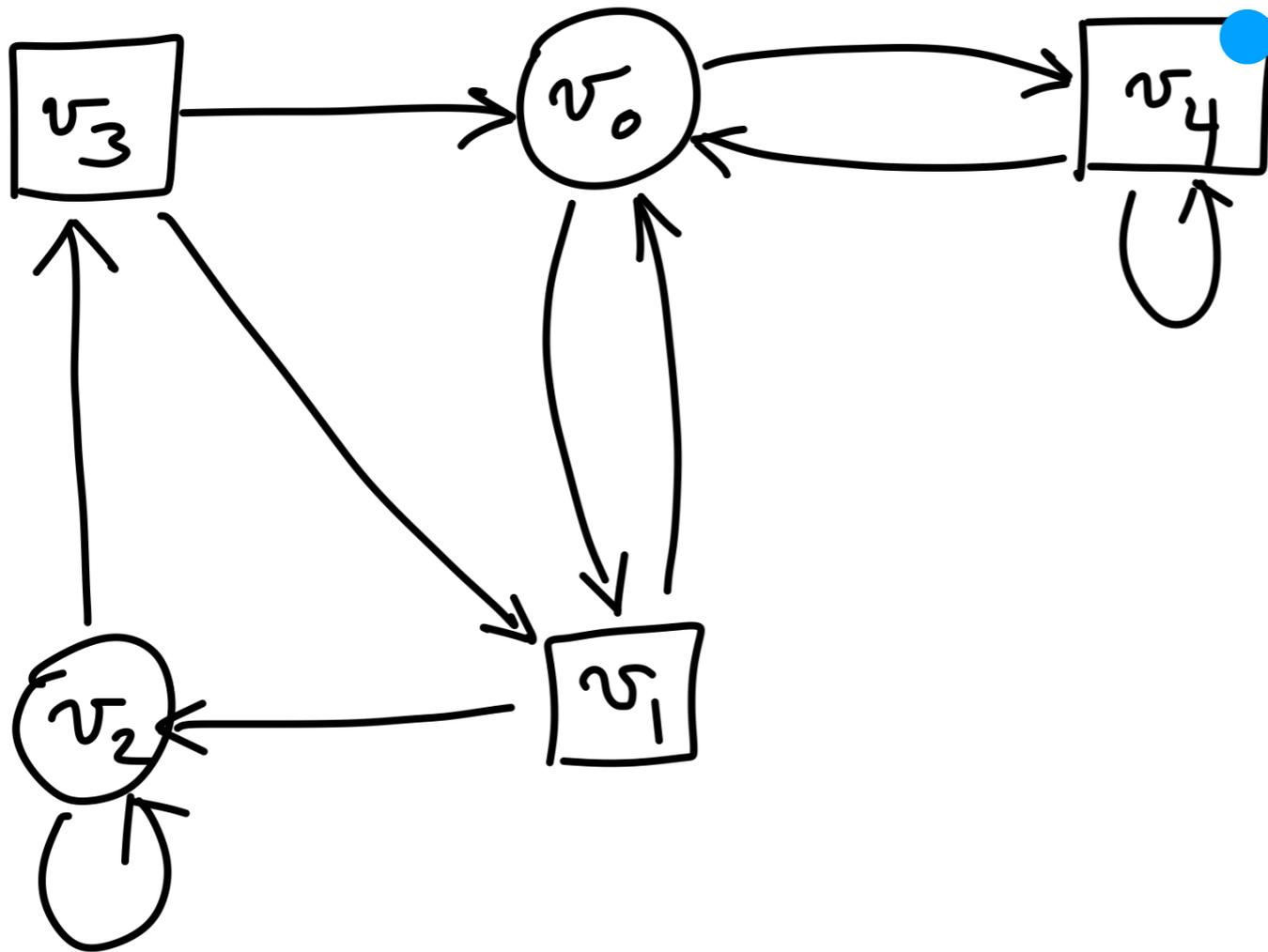
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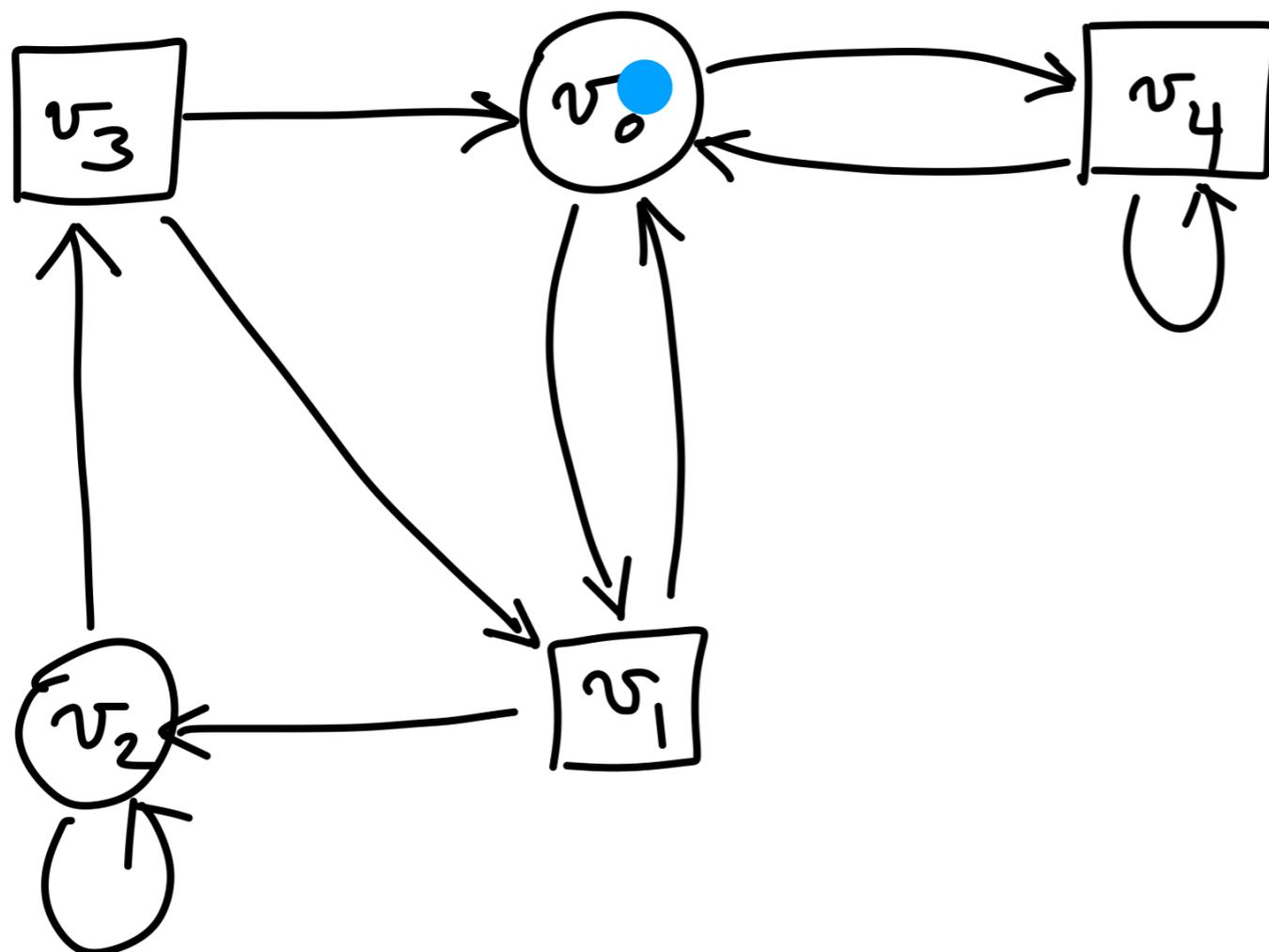
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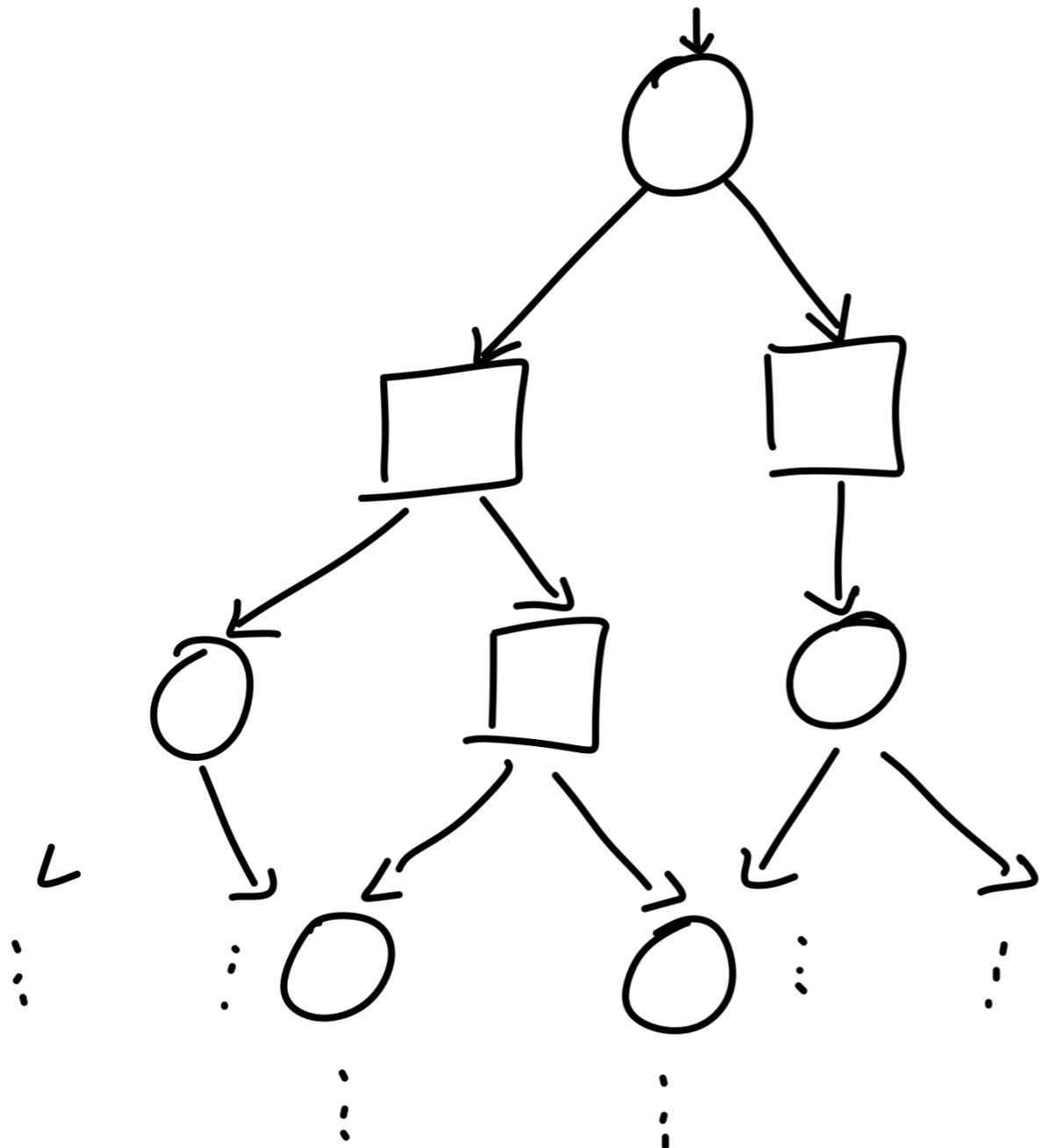
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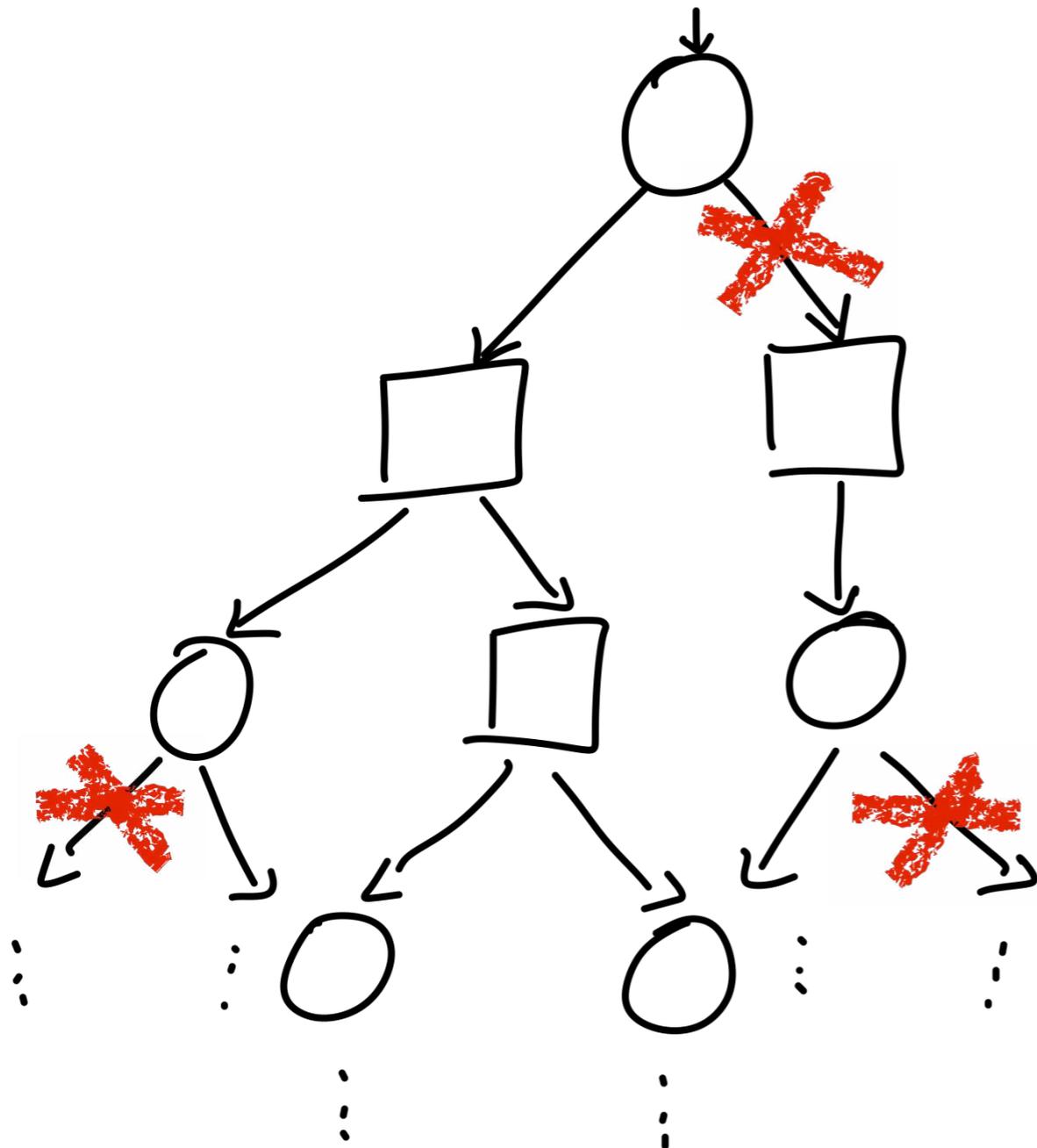
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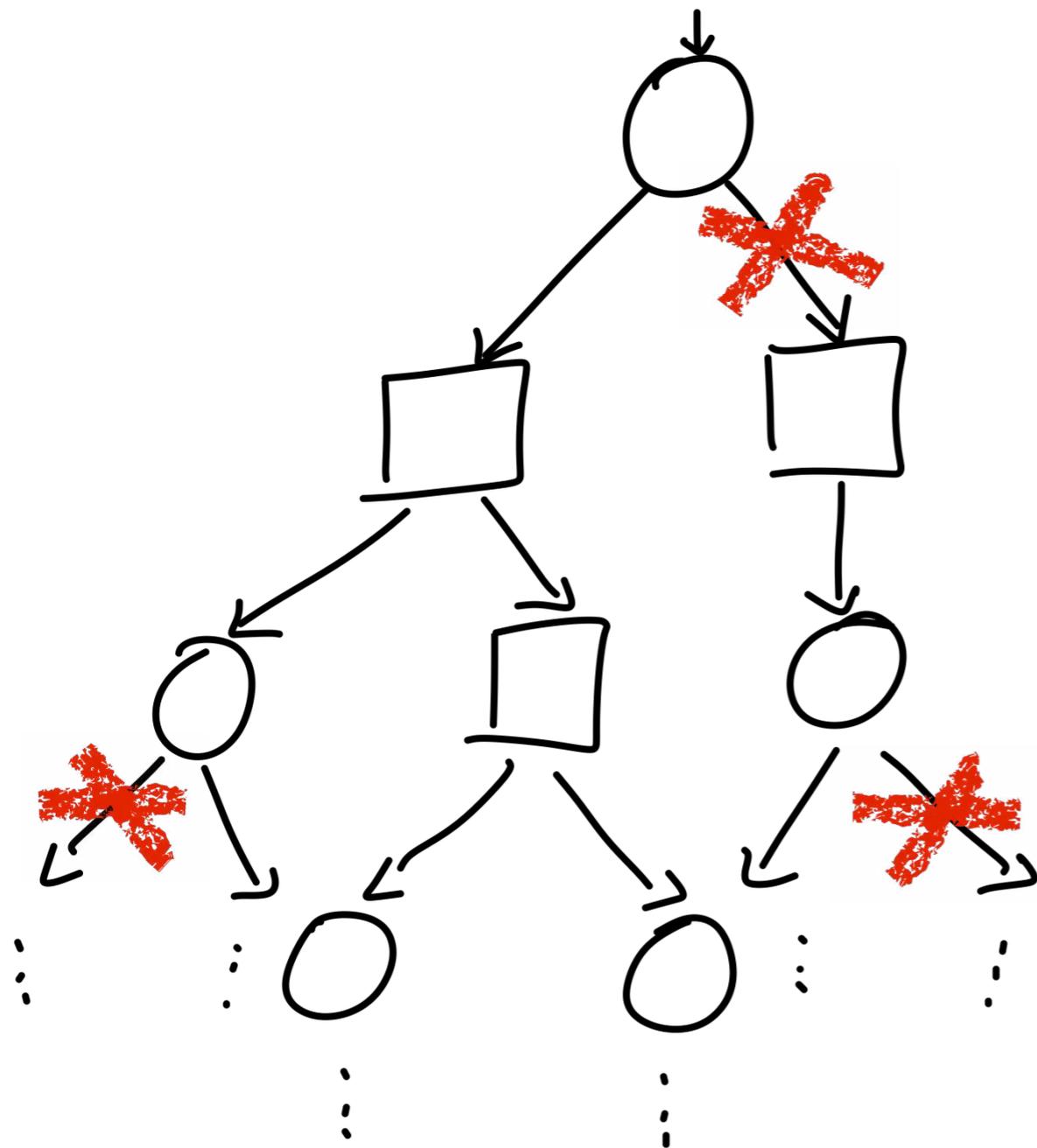
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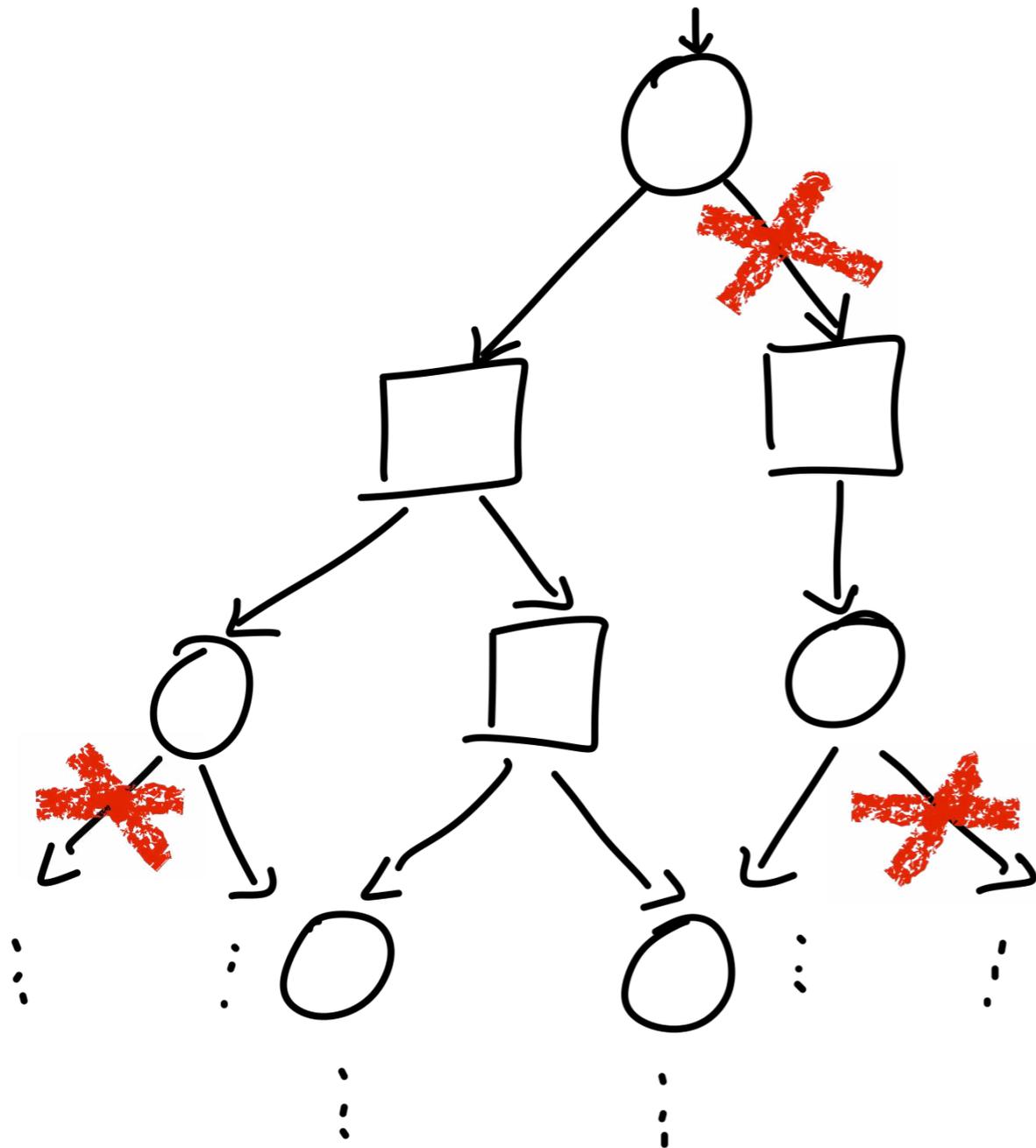


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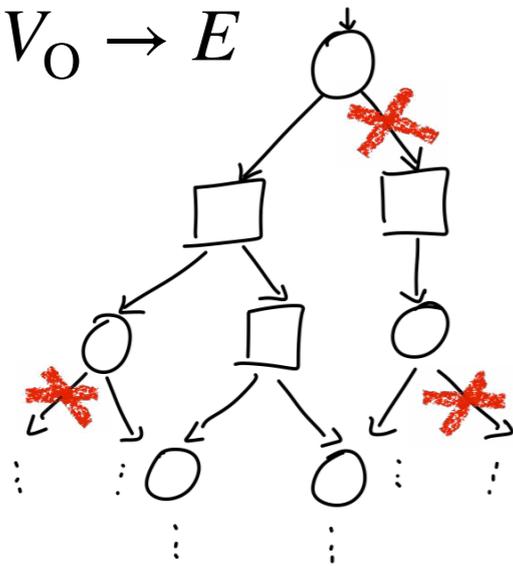
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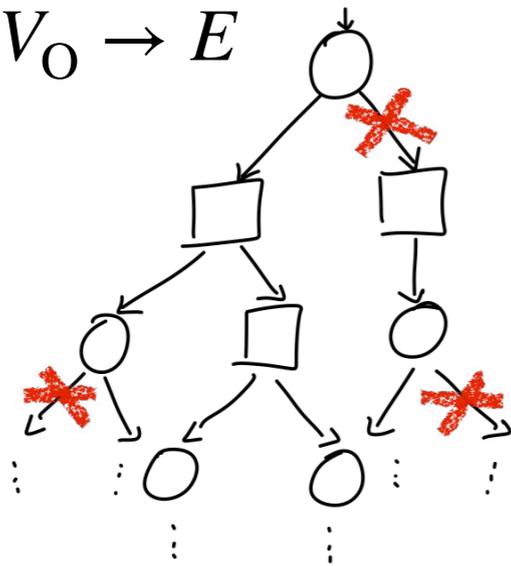
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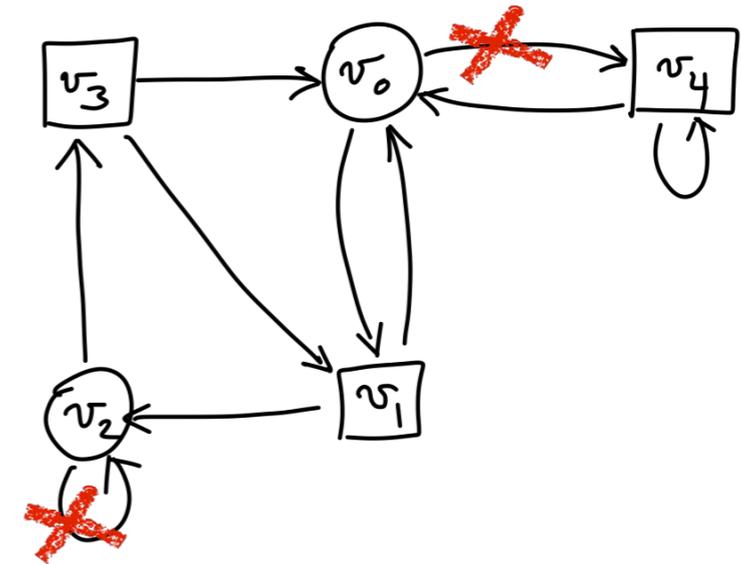
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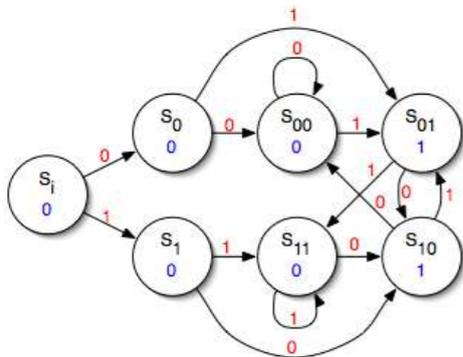
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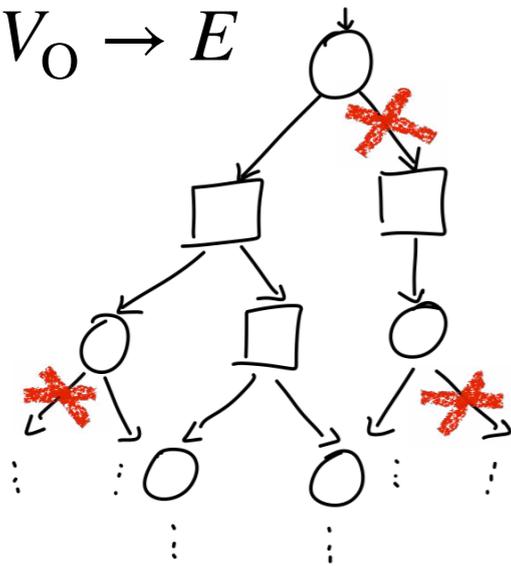
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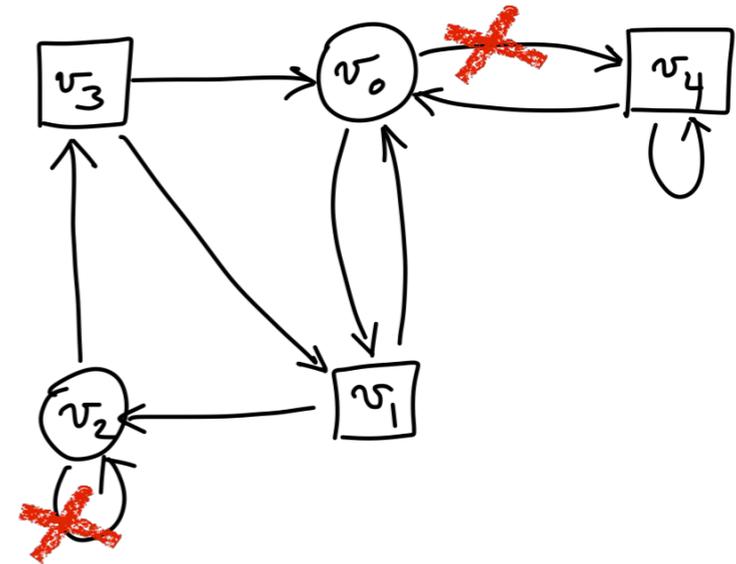
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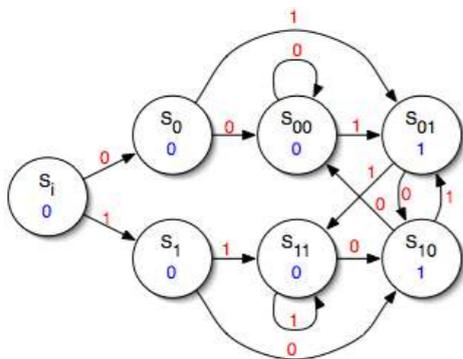
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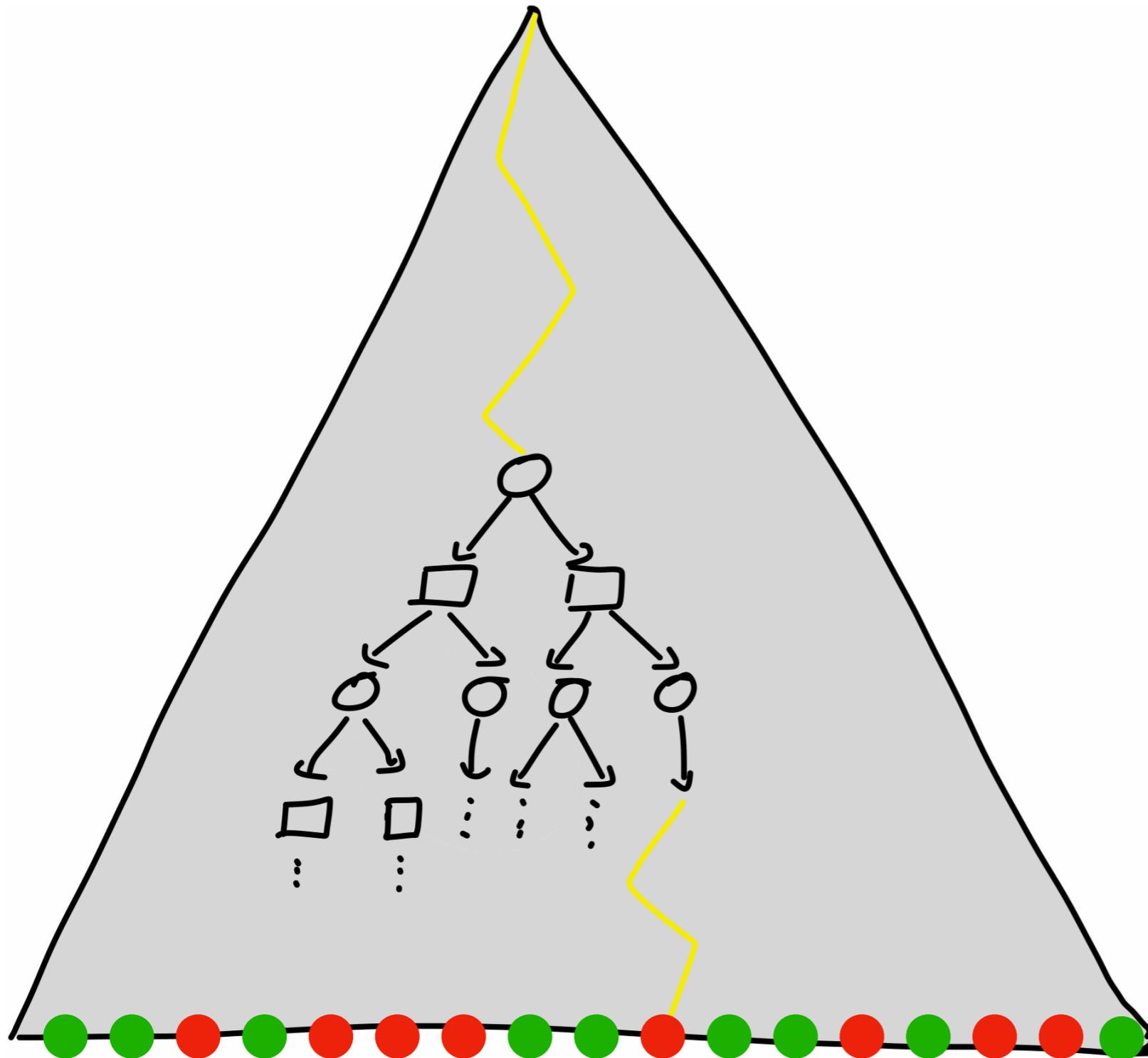
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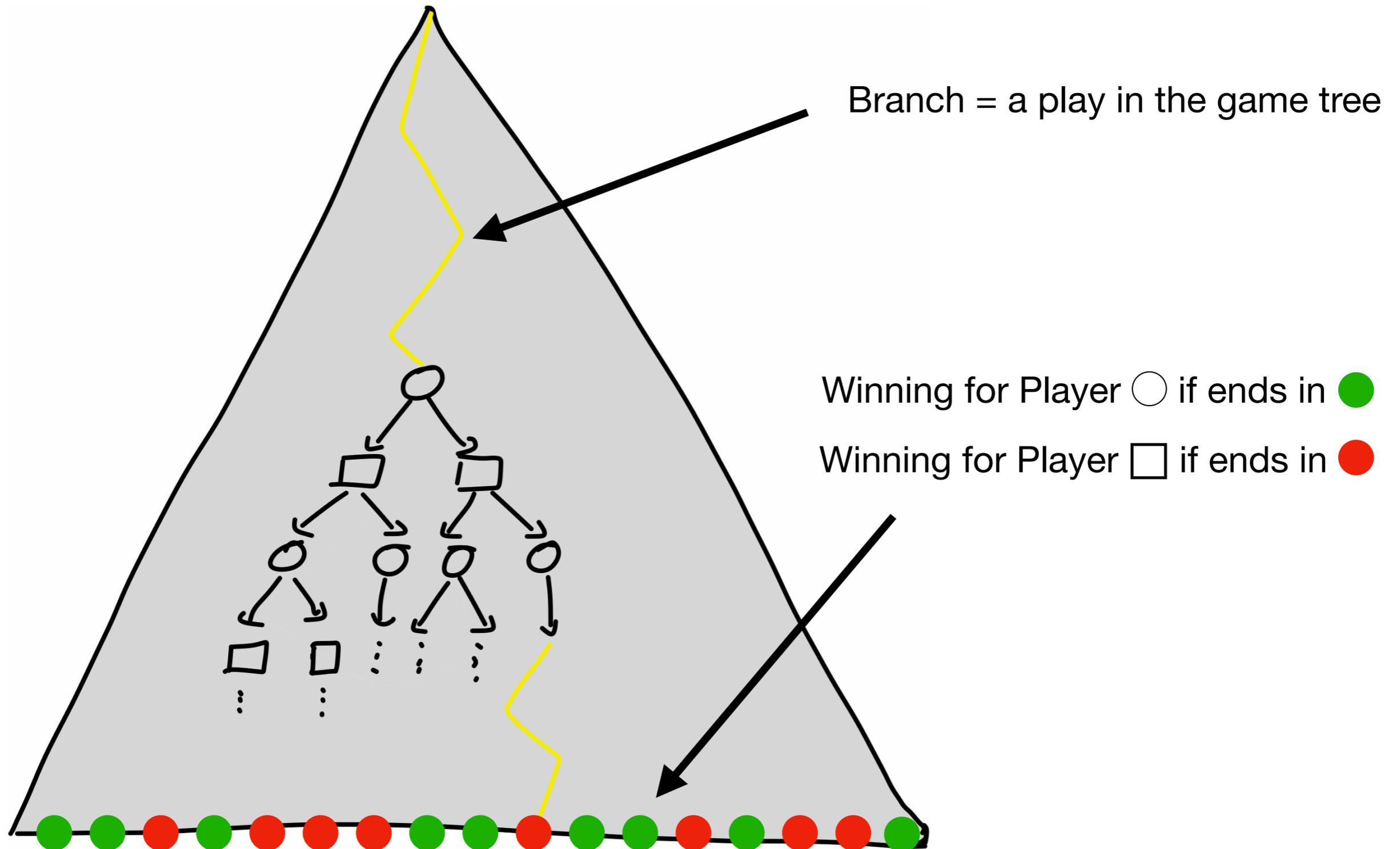
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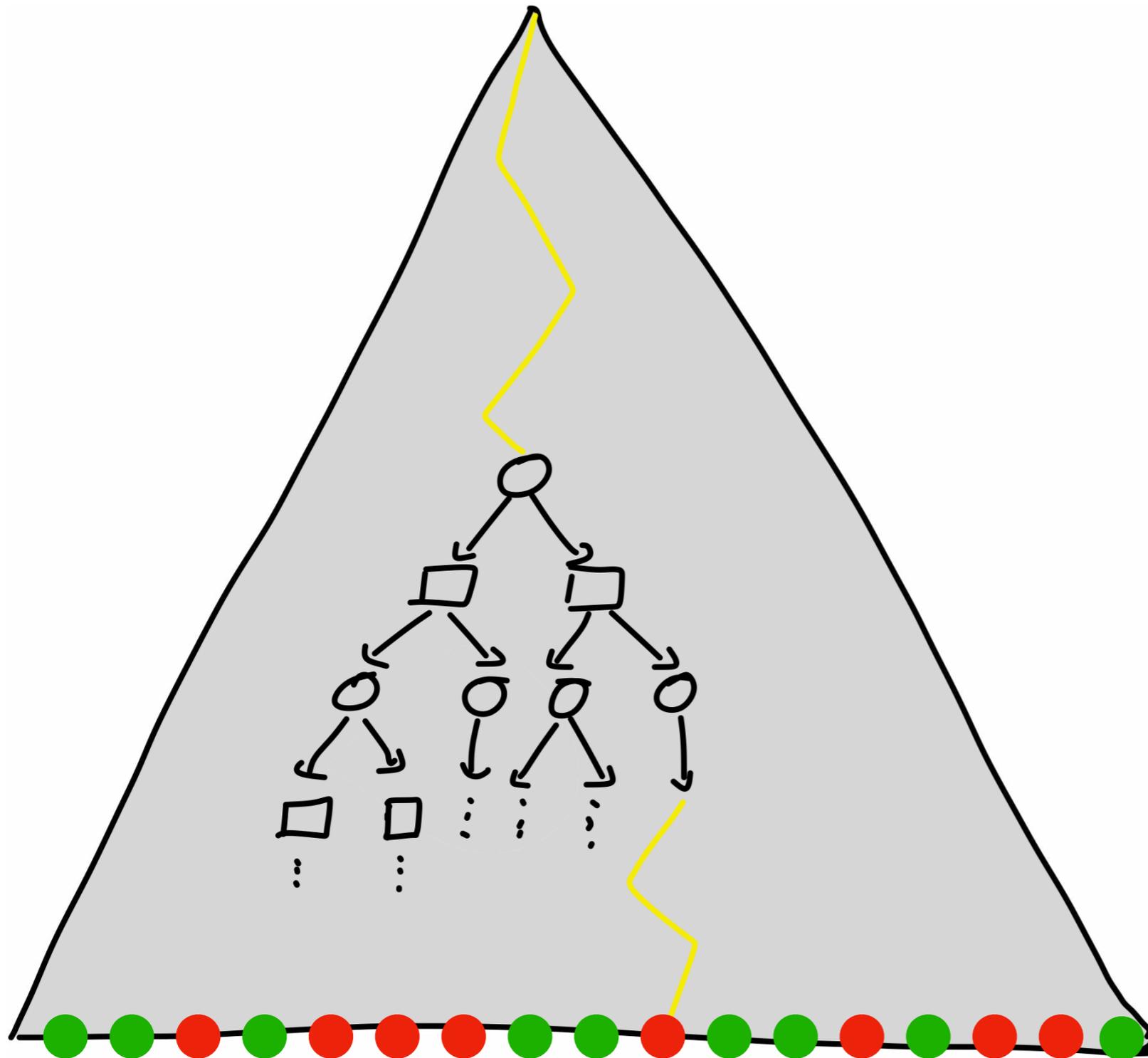
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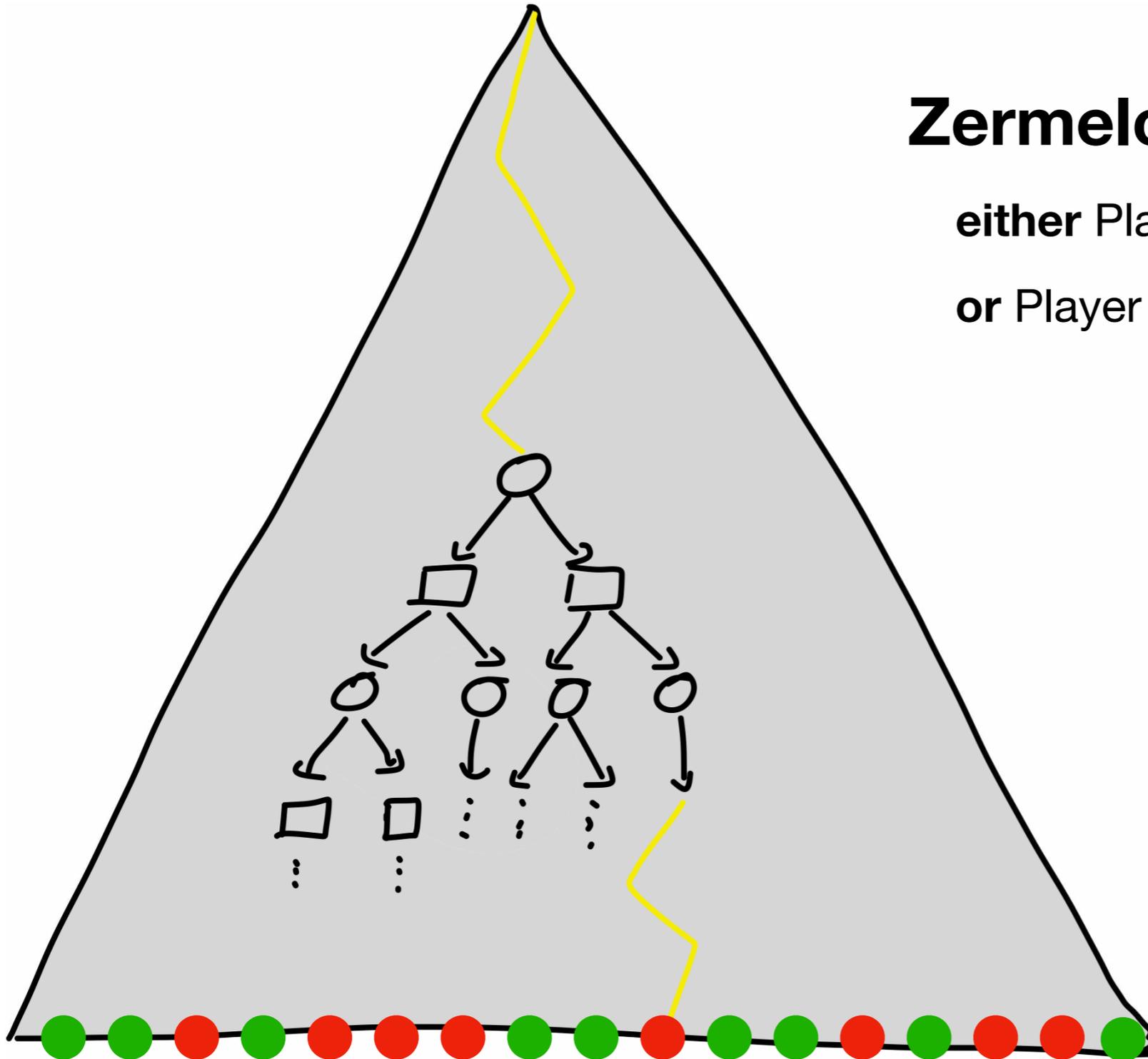
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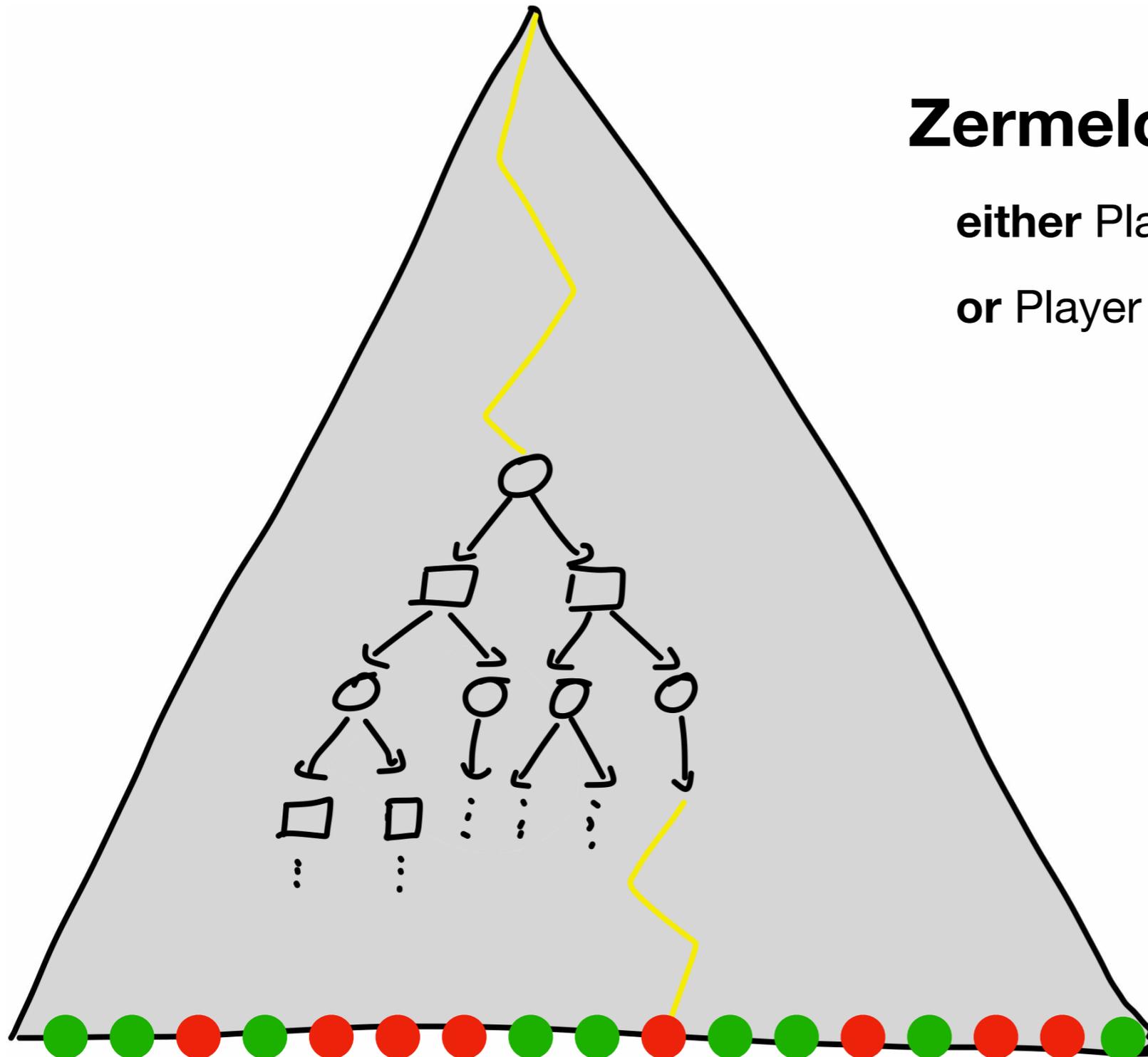
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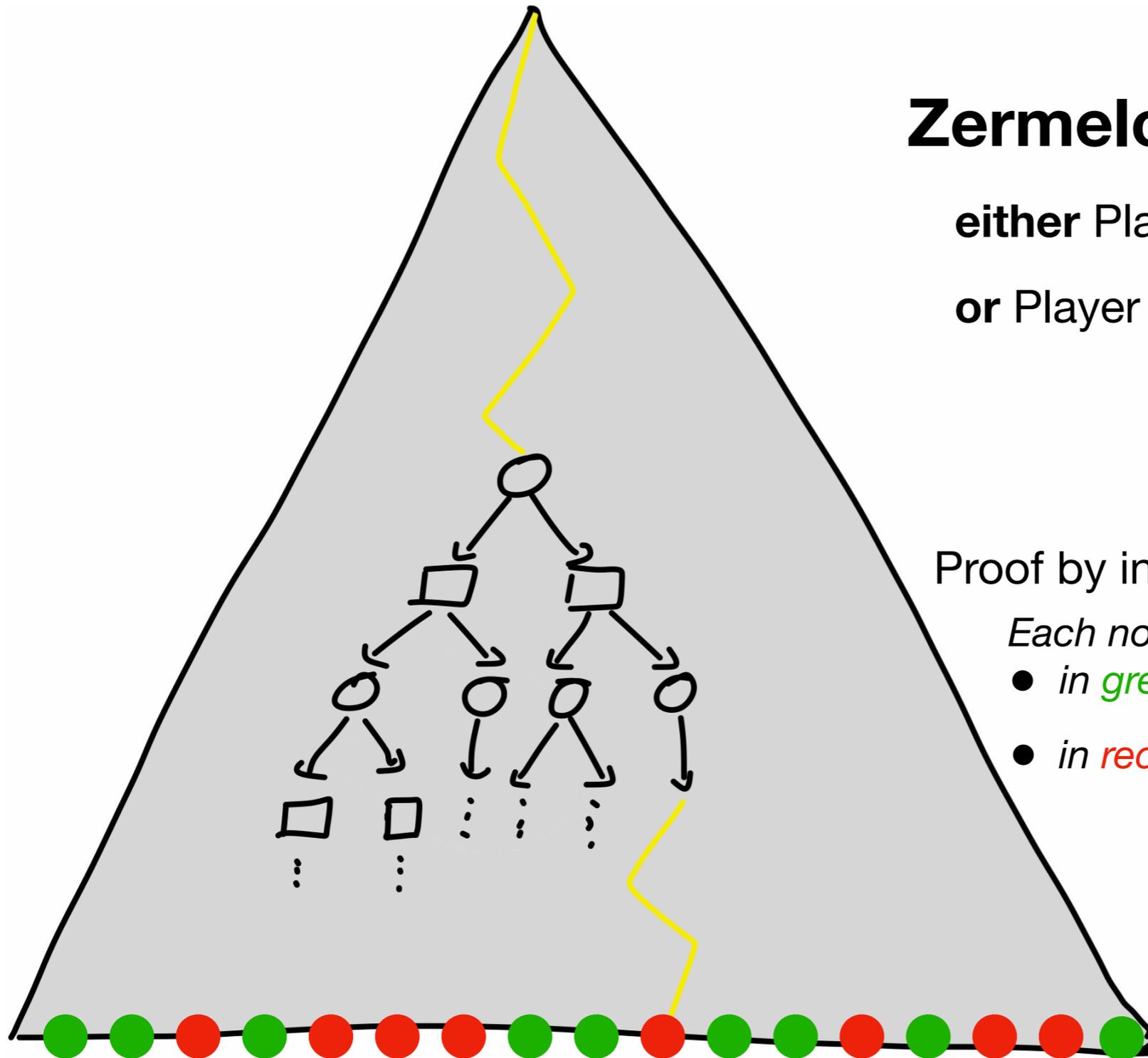
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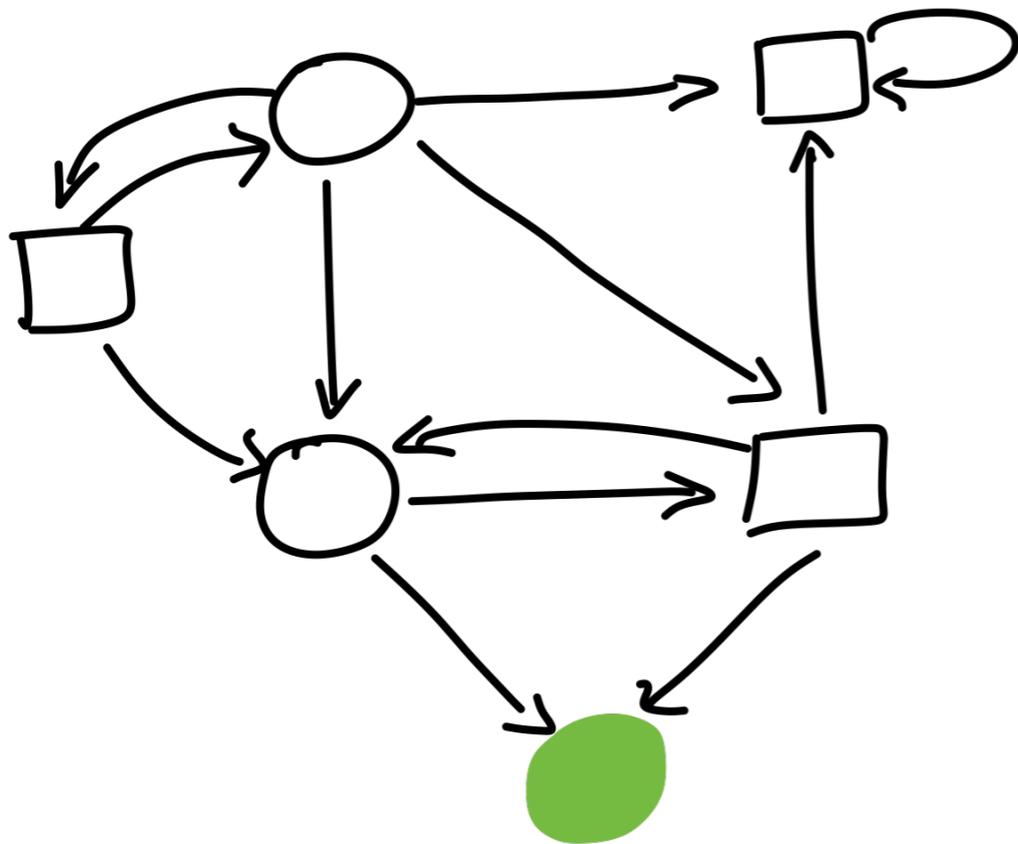
Proof by induction on the depth of the tree

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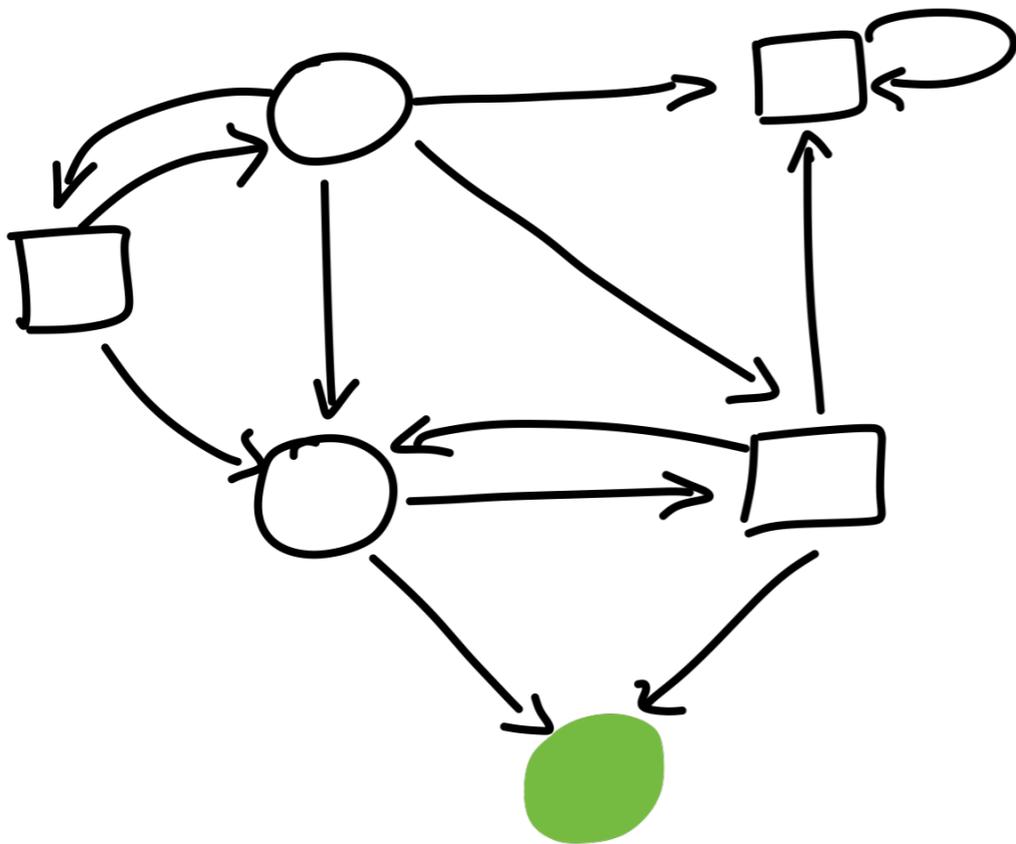
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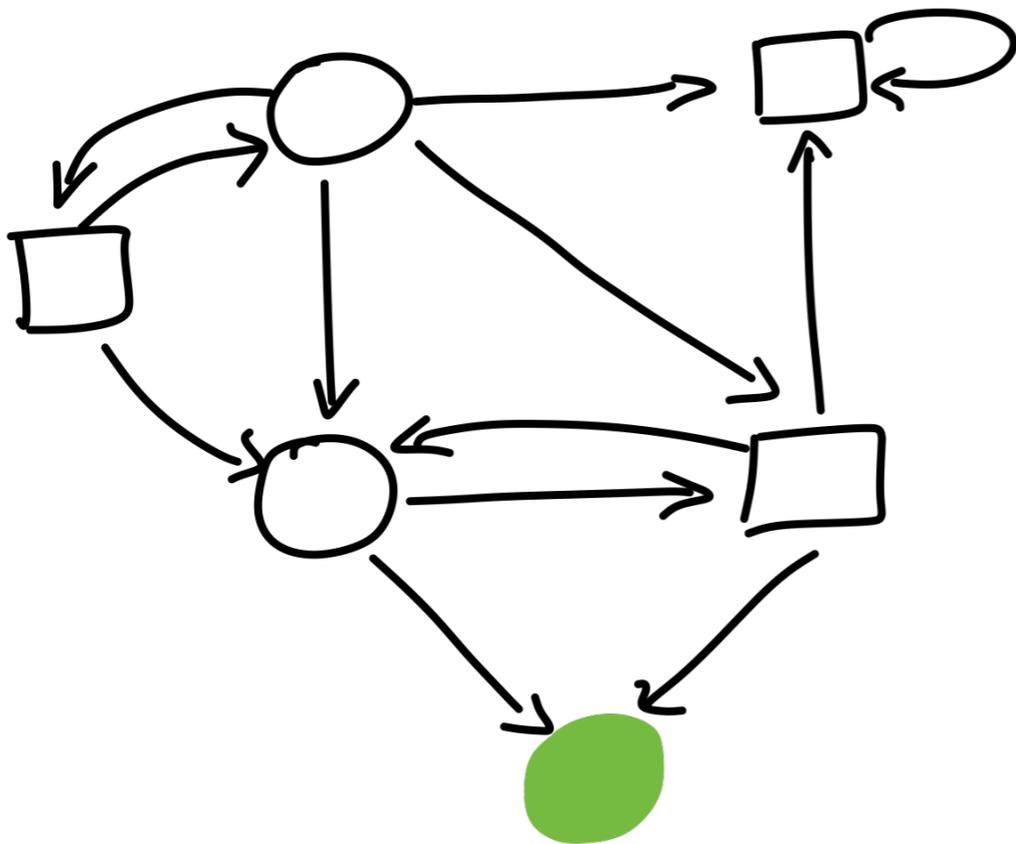


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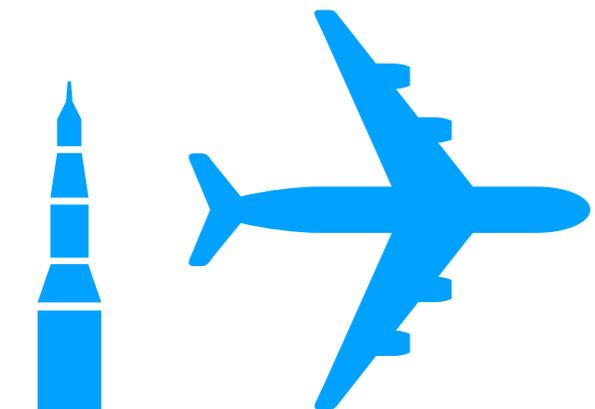
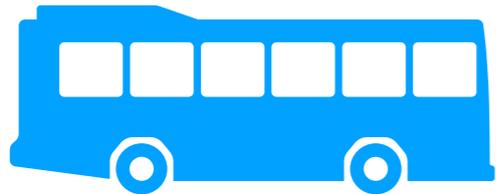
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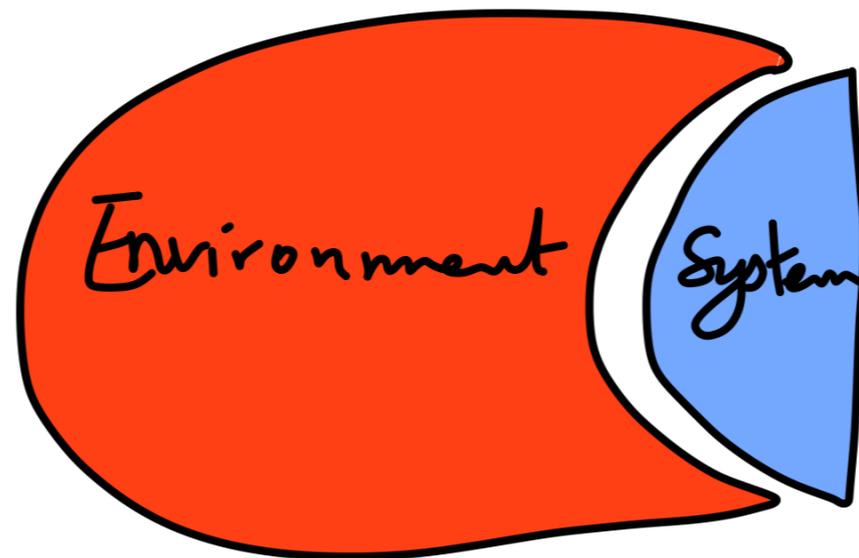
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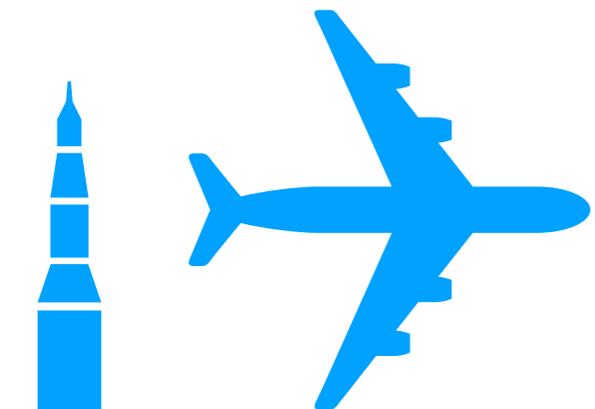
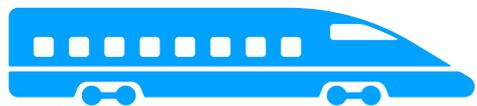
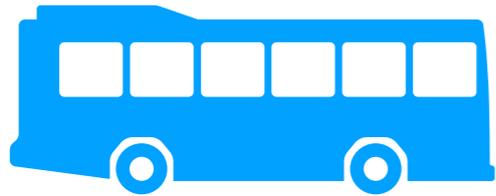
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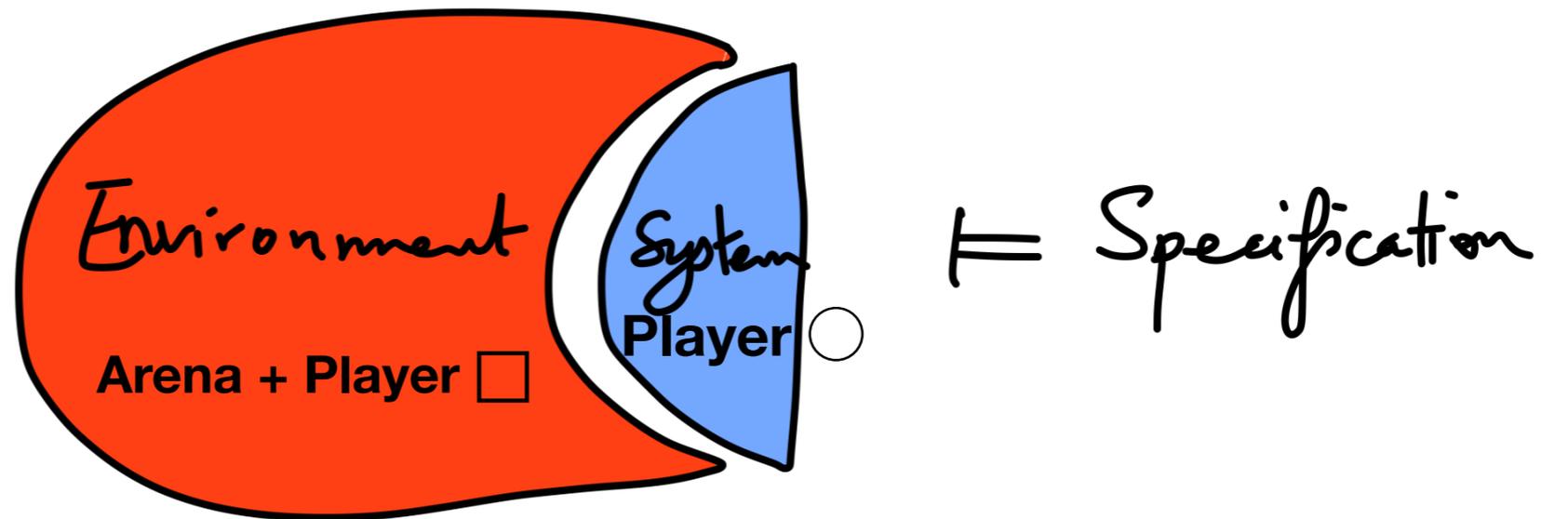
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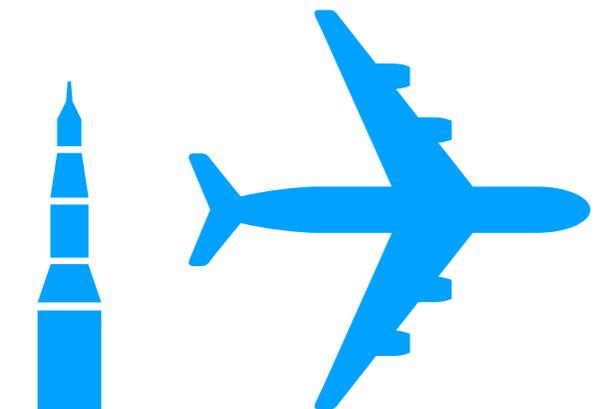
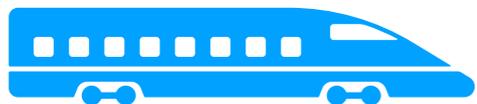
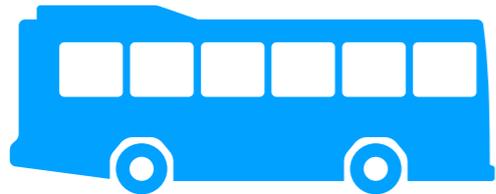


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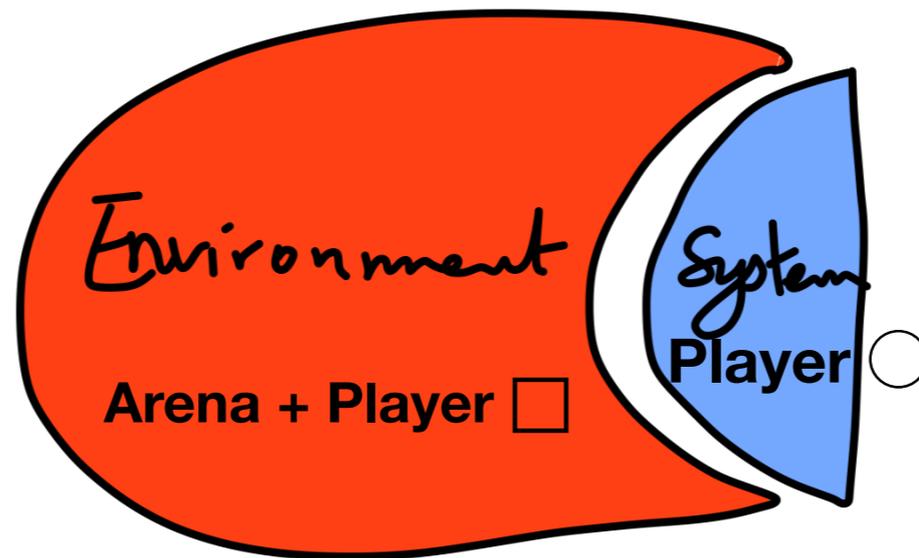
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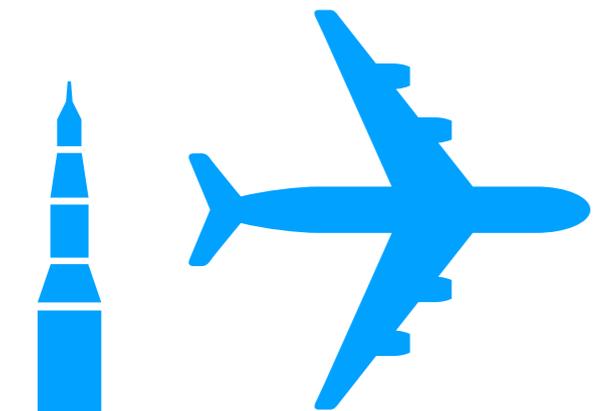
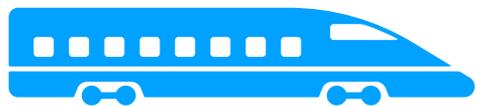
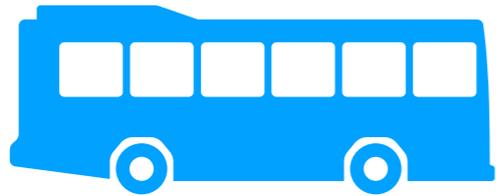
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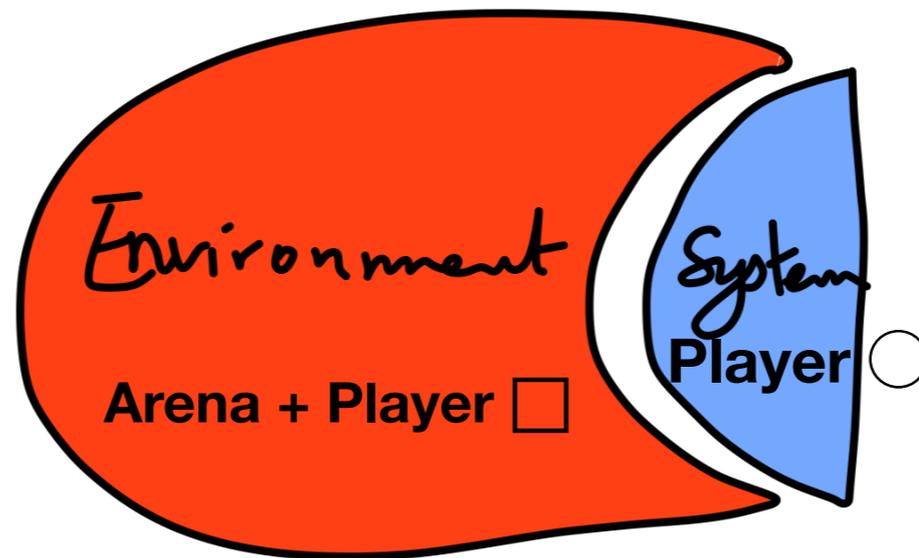
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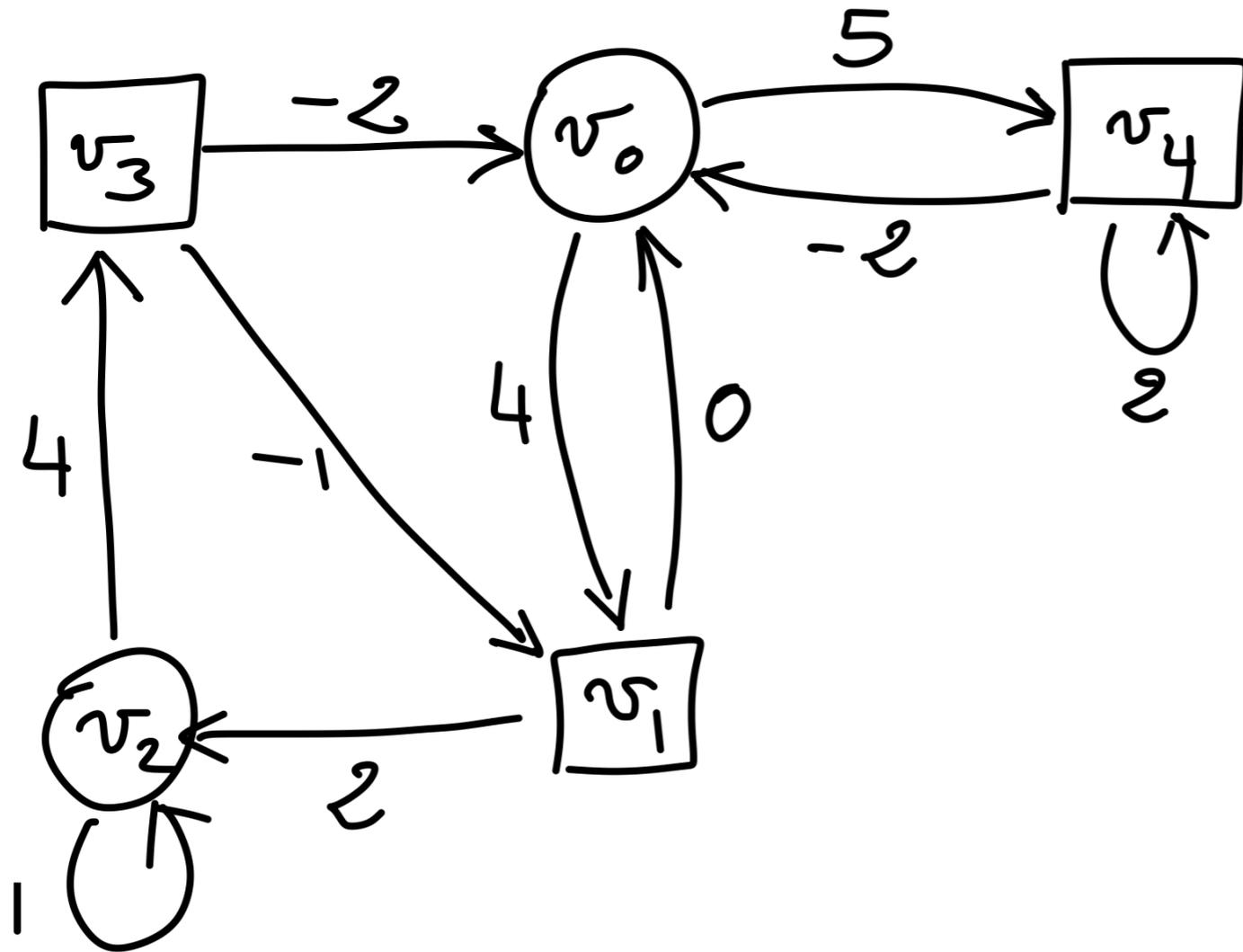
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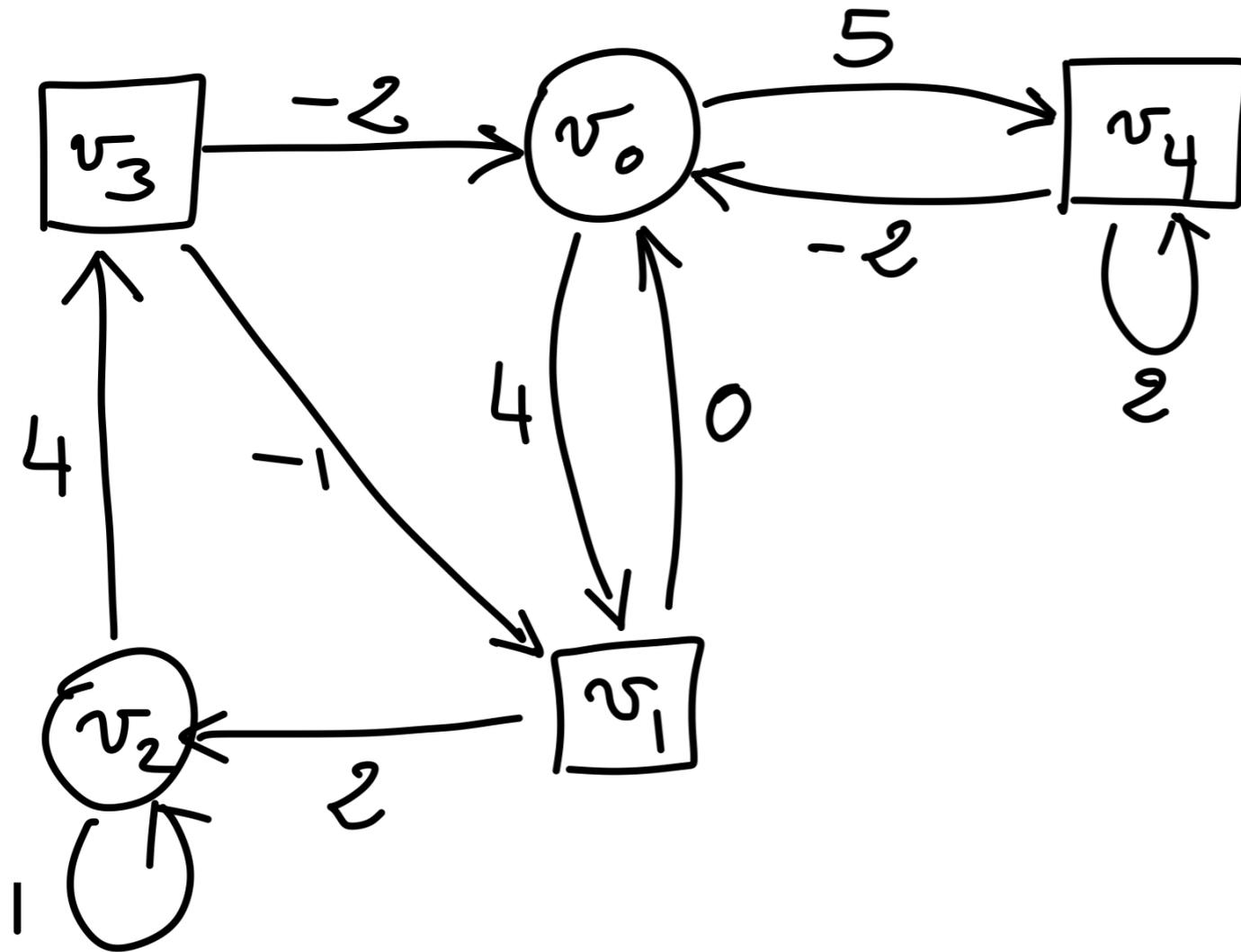
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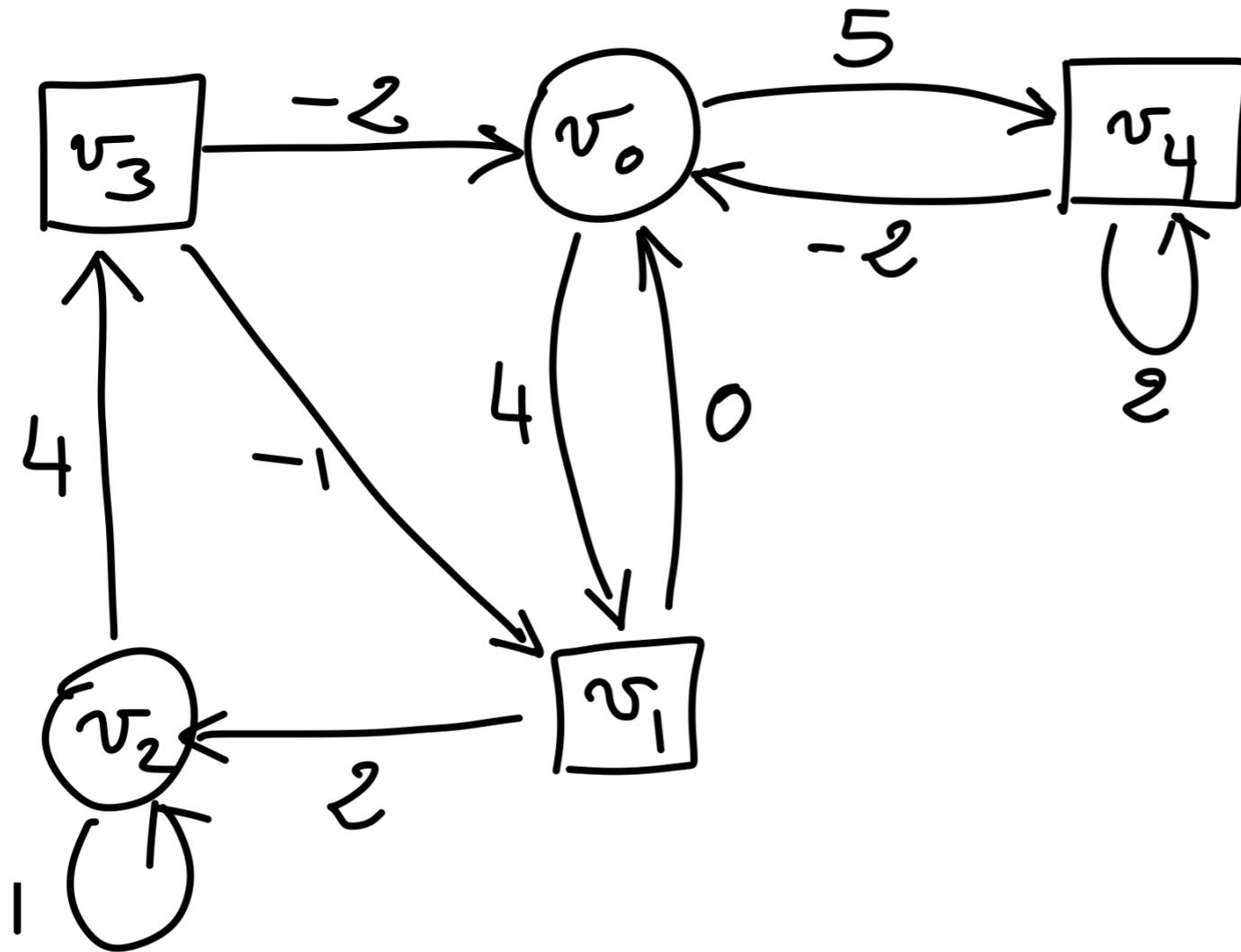


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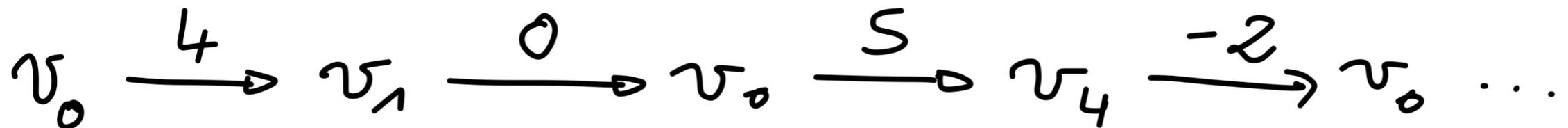


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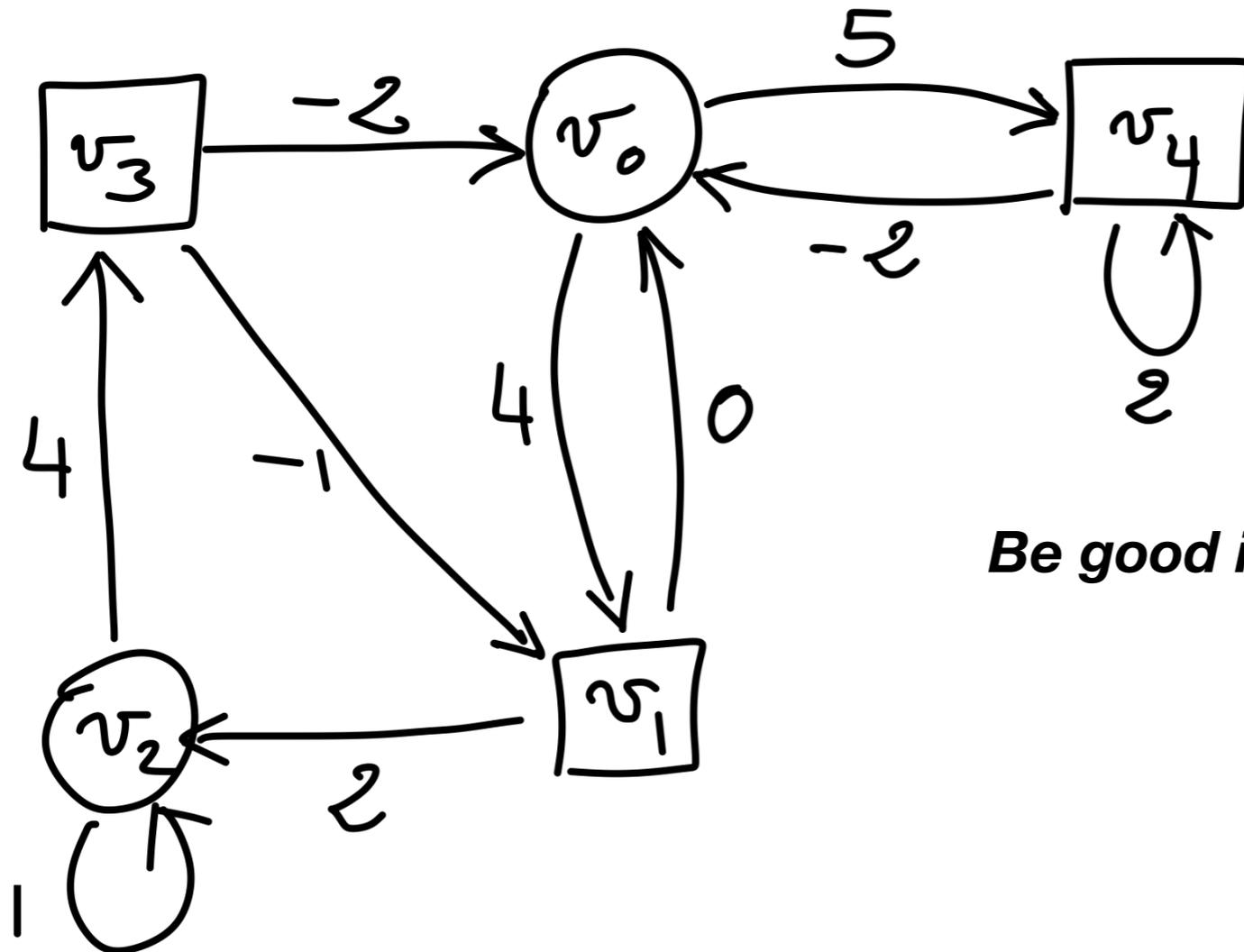
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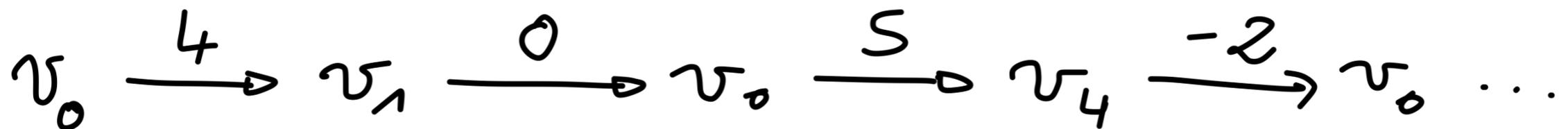
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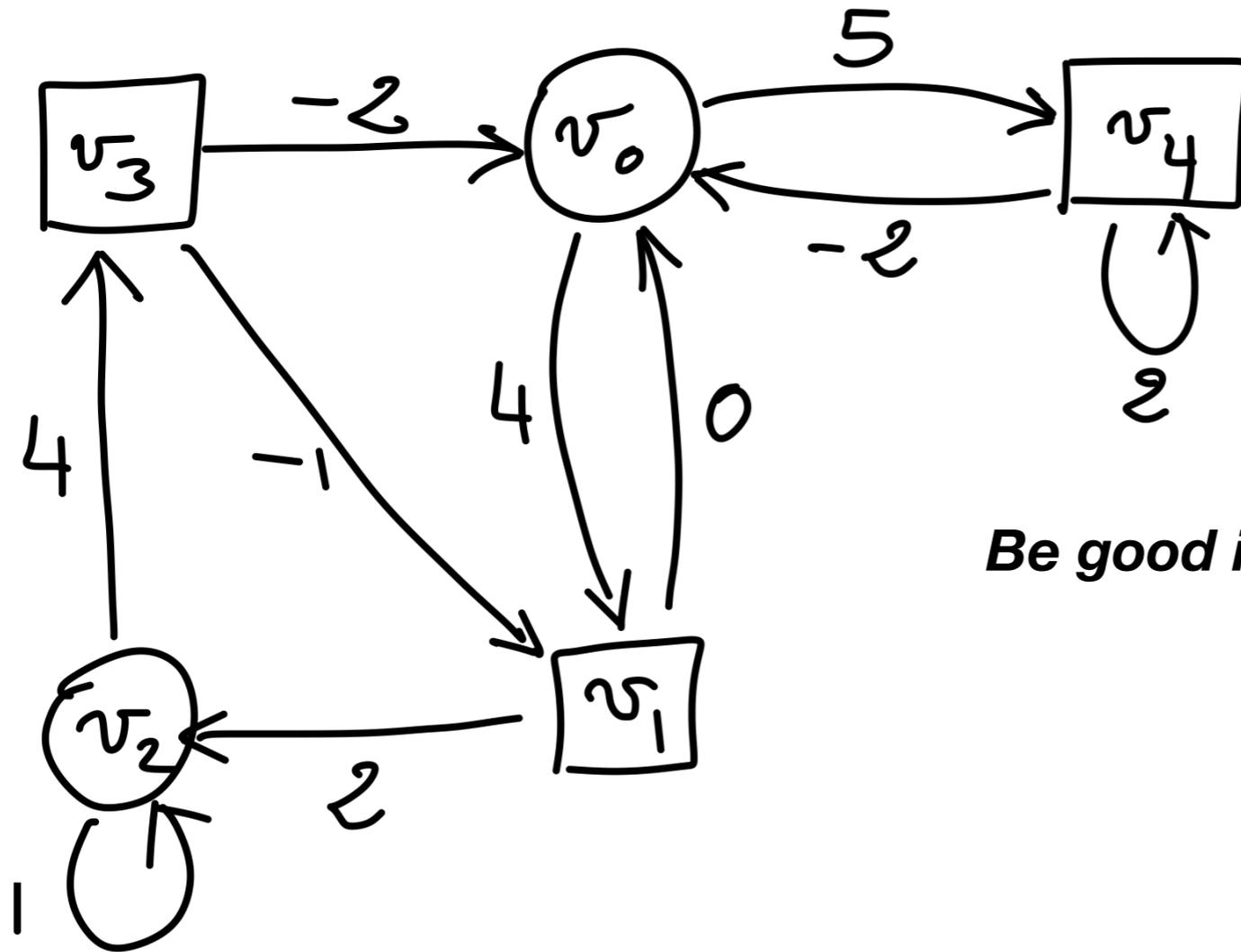
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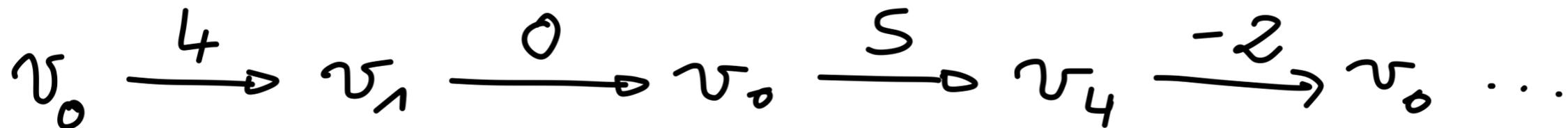


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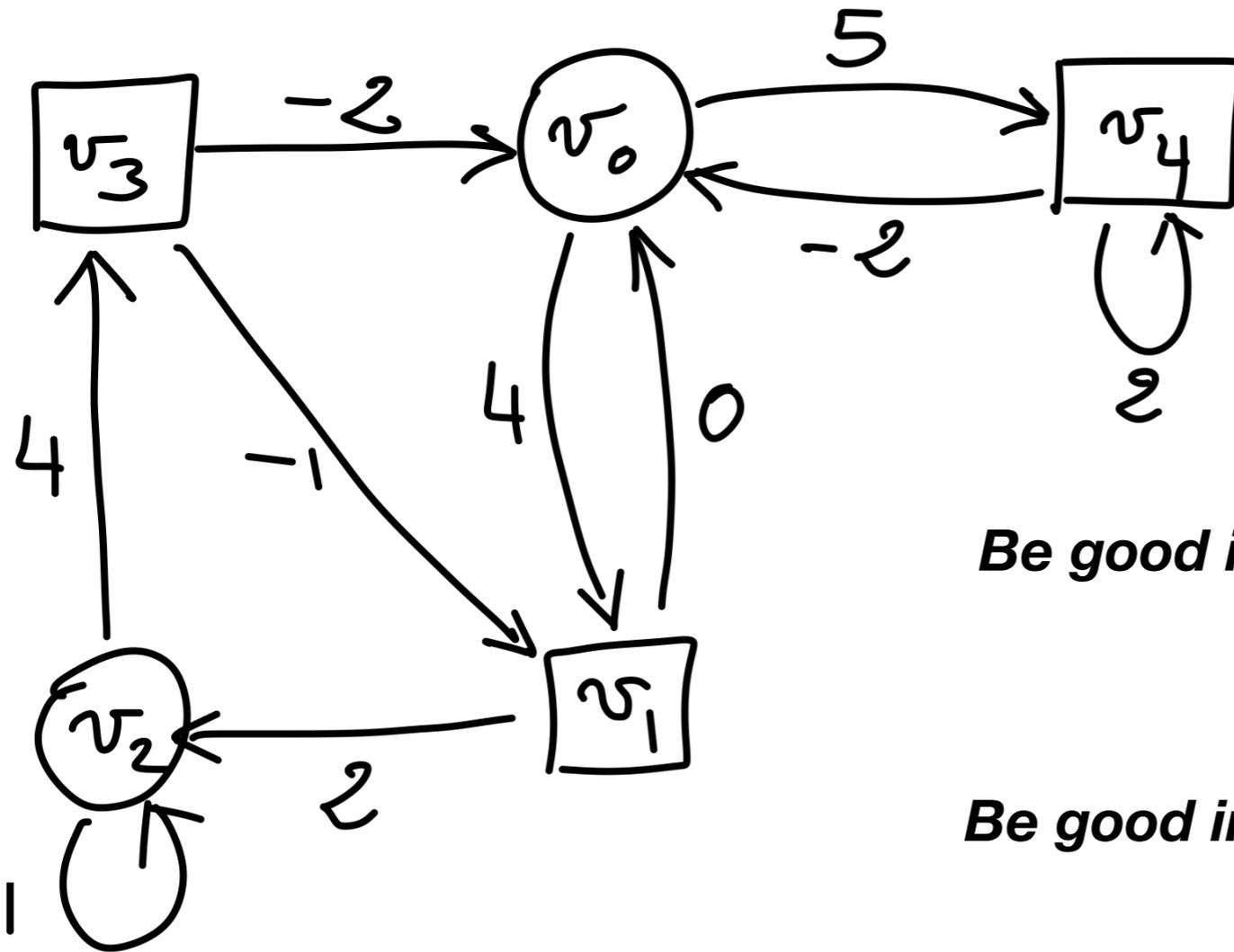
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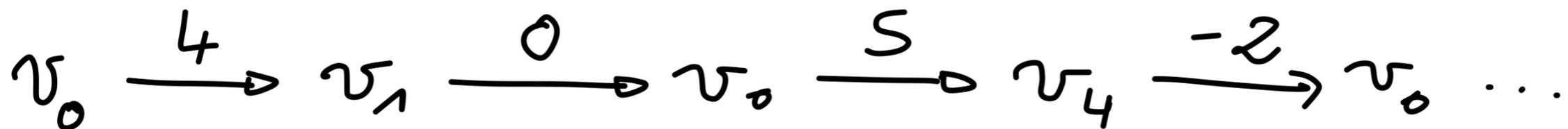
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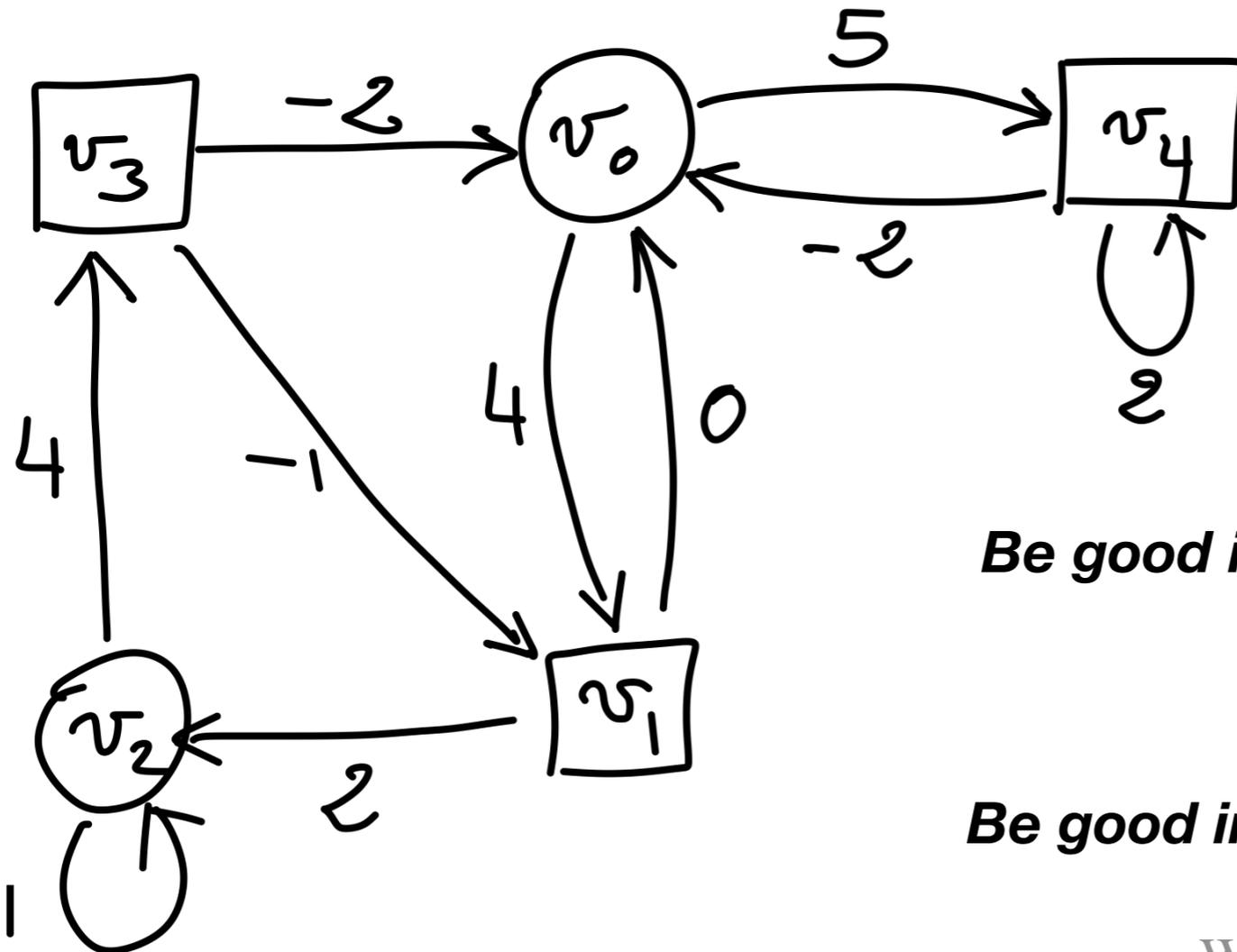
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Quantitative games on graphs



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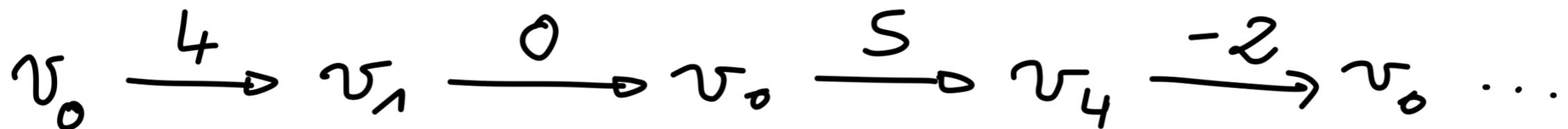
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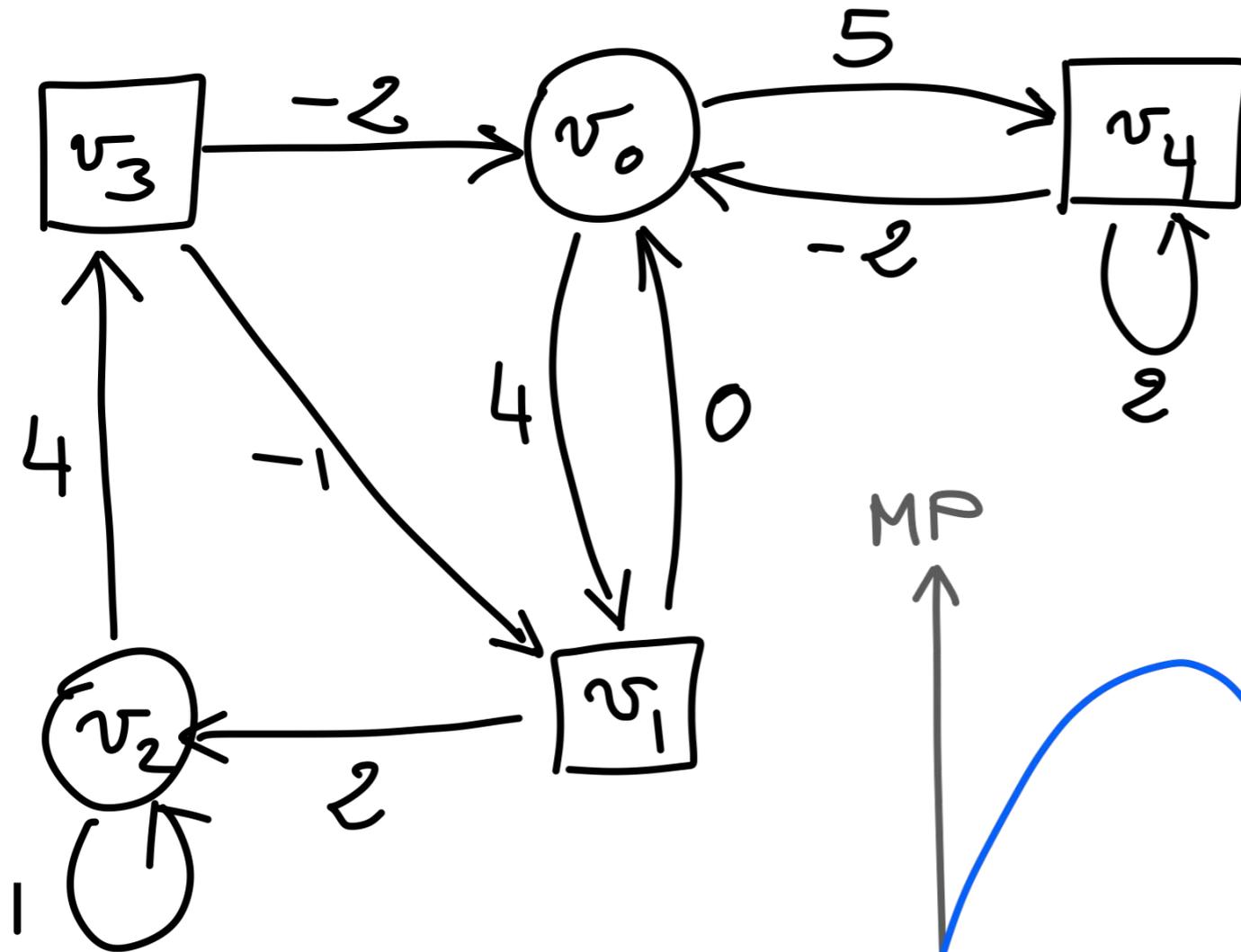
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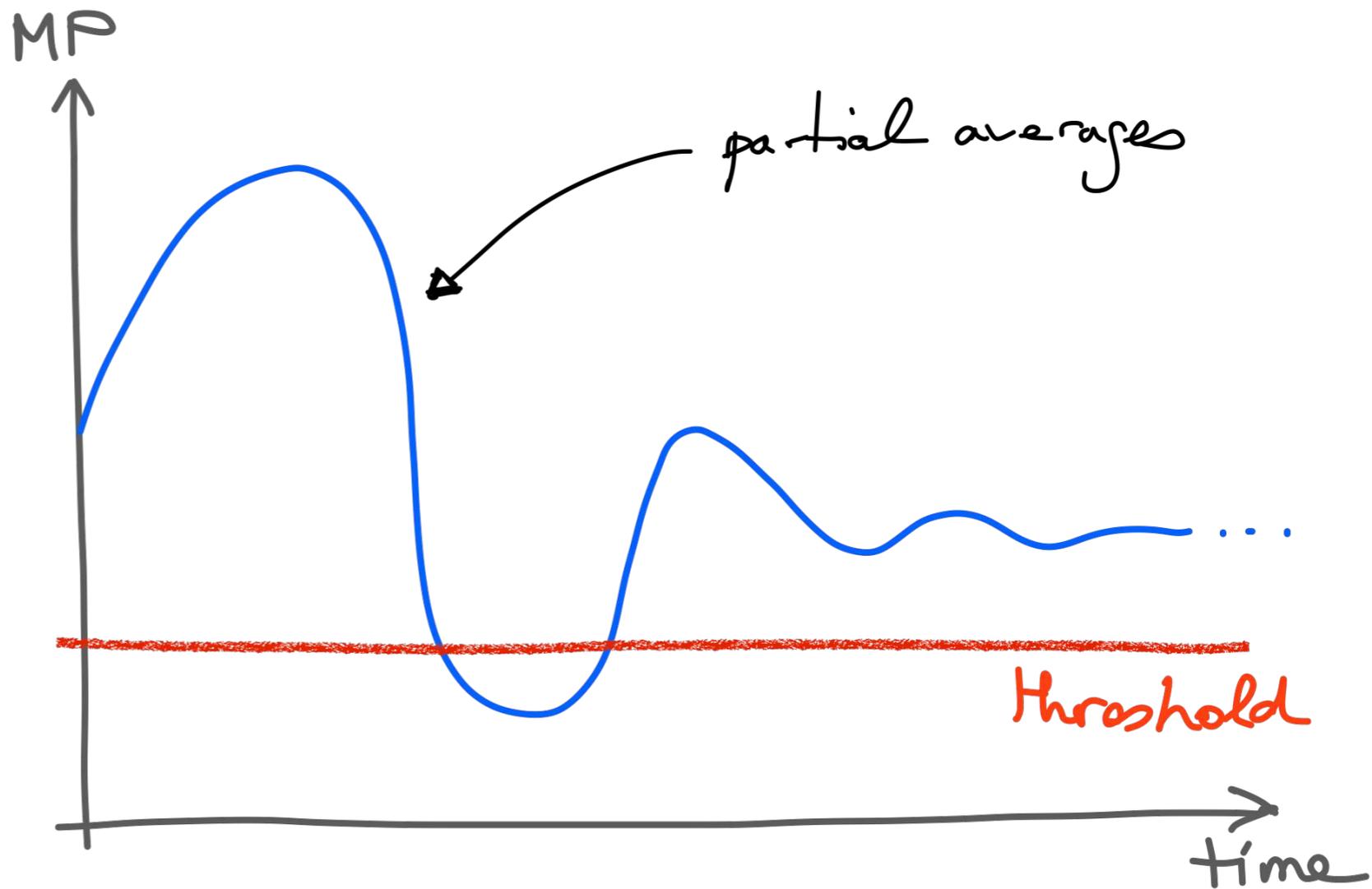
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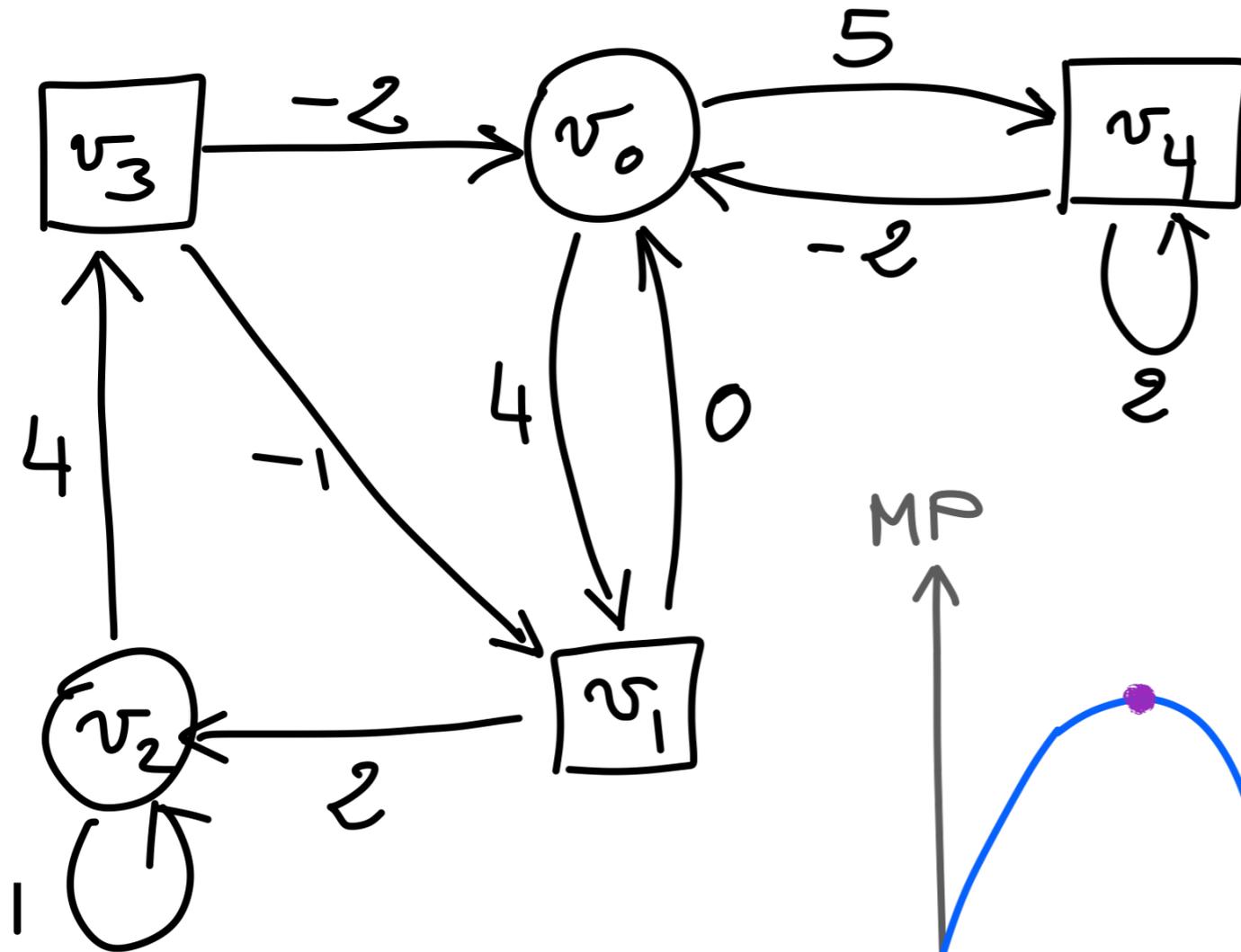
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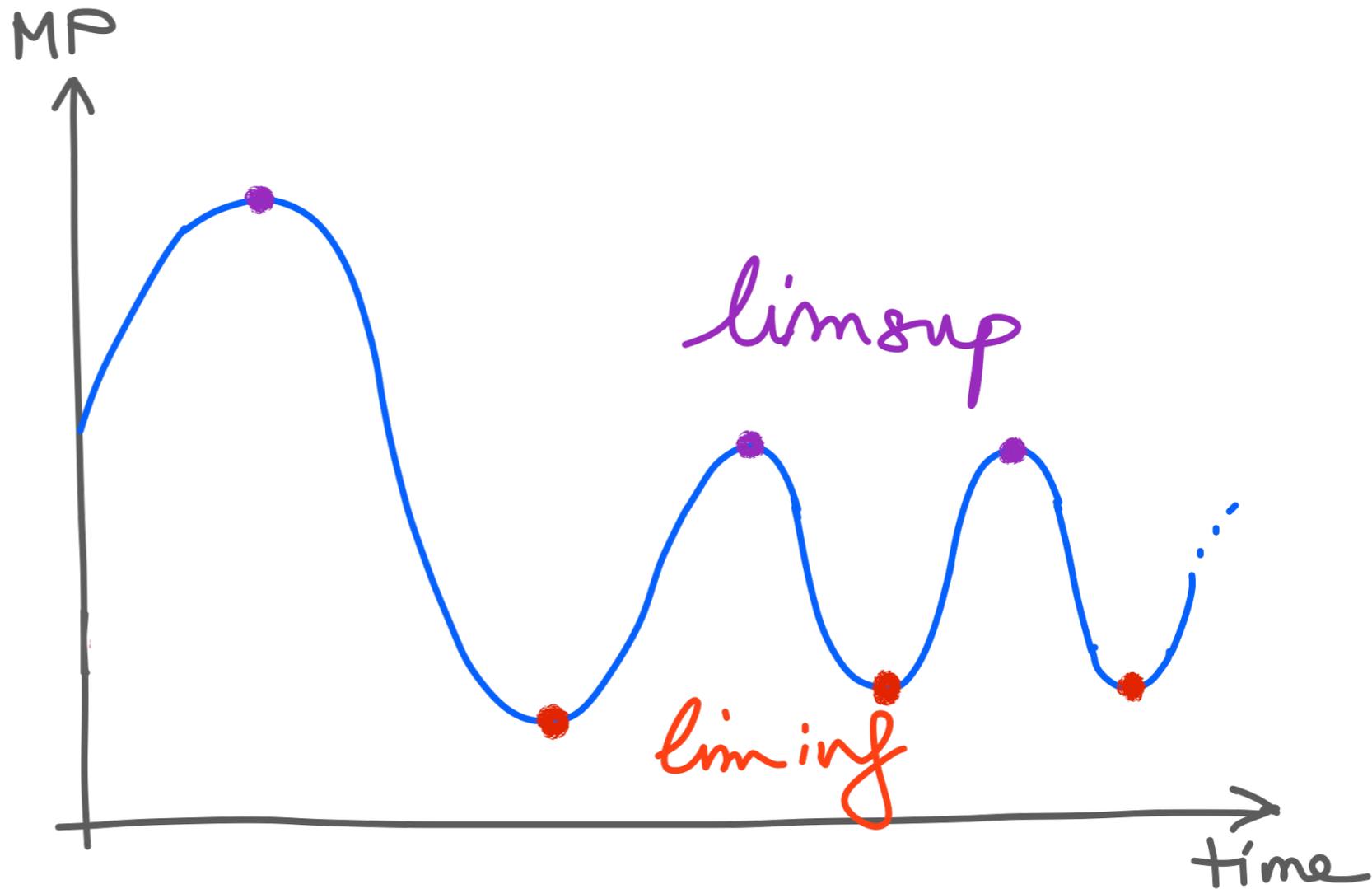
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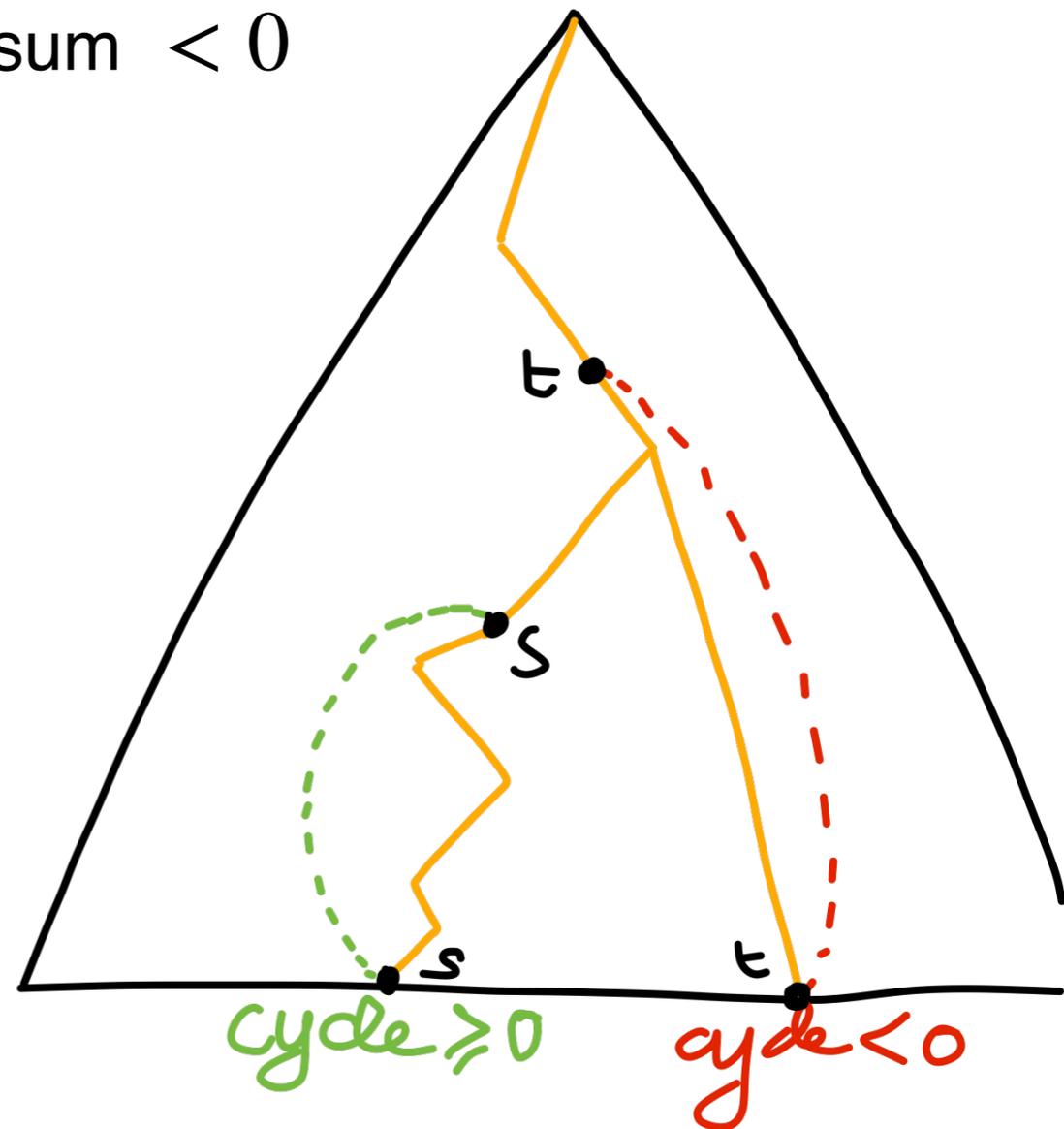
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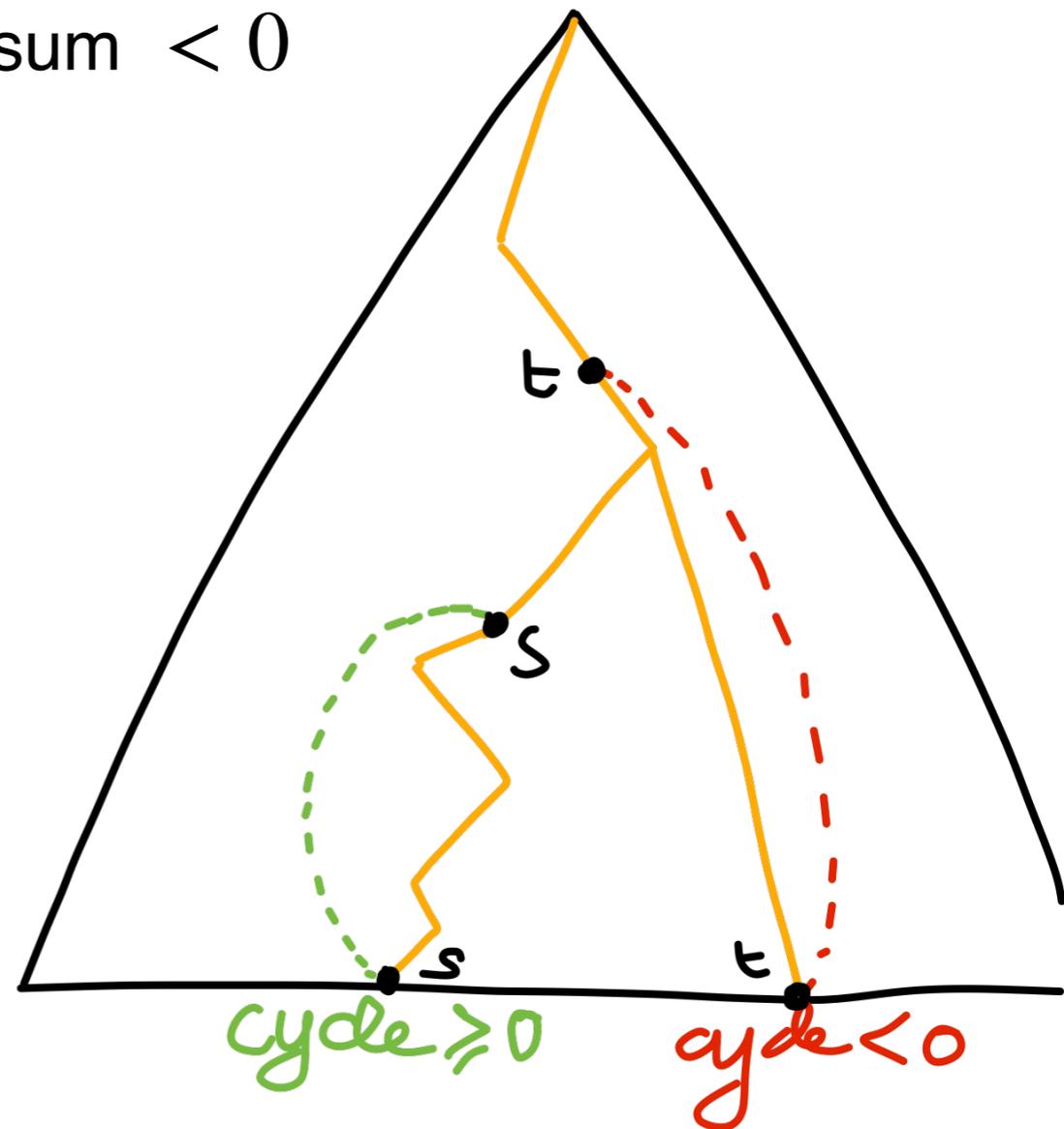
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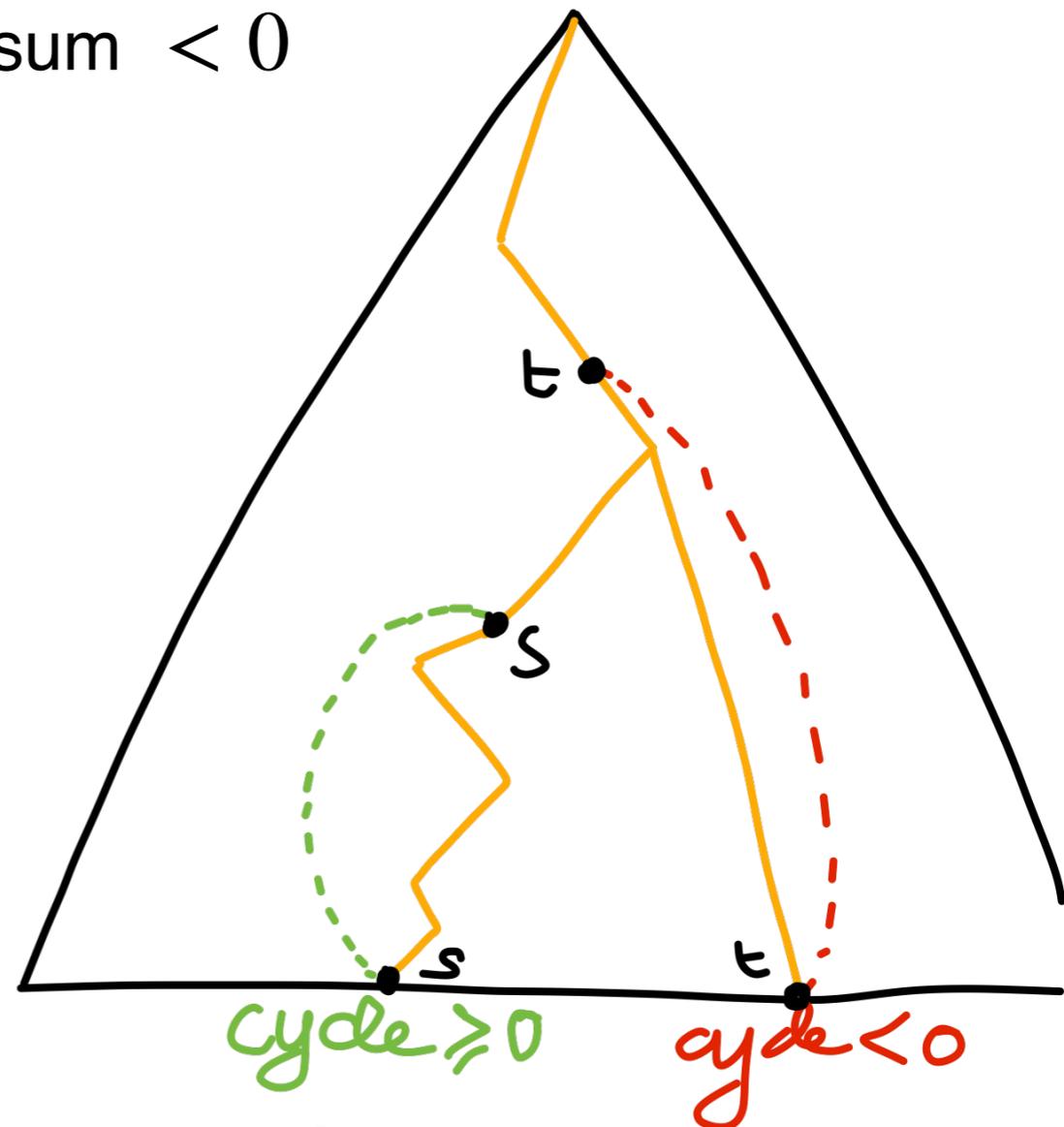
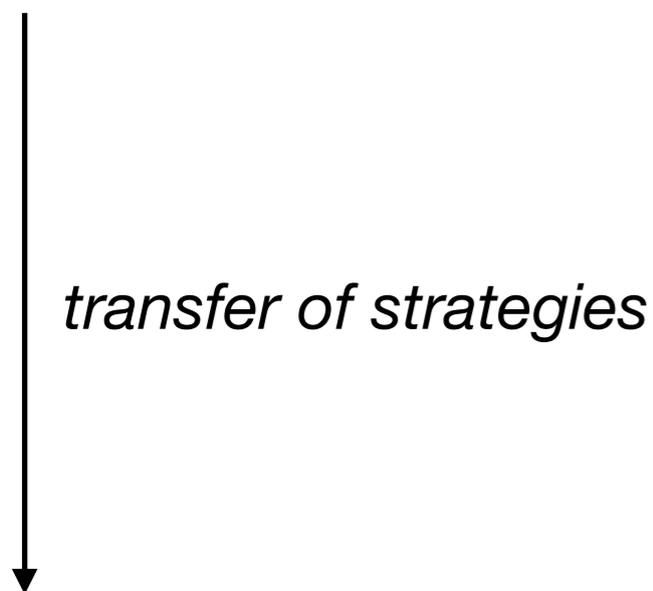
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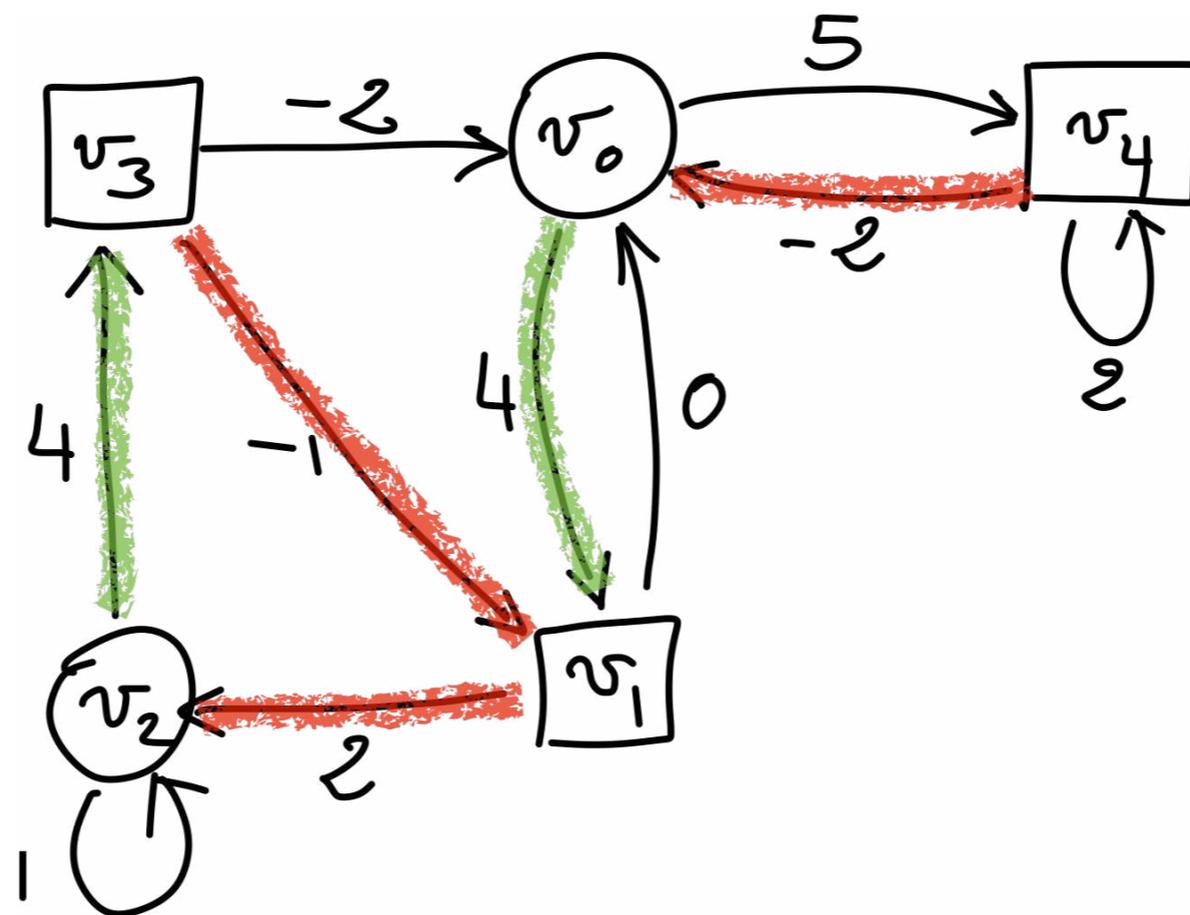
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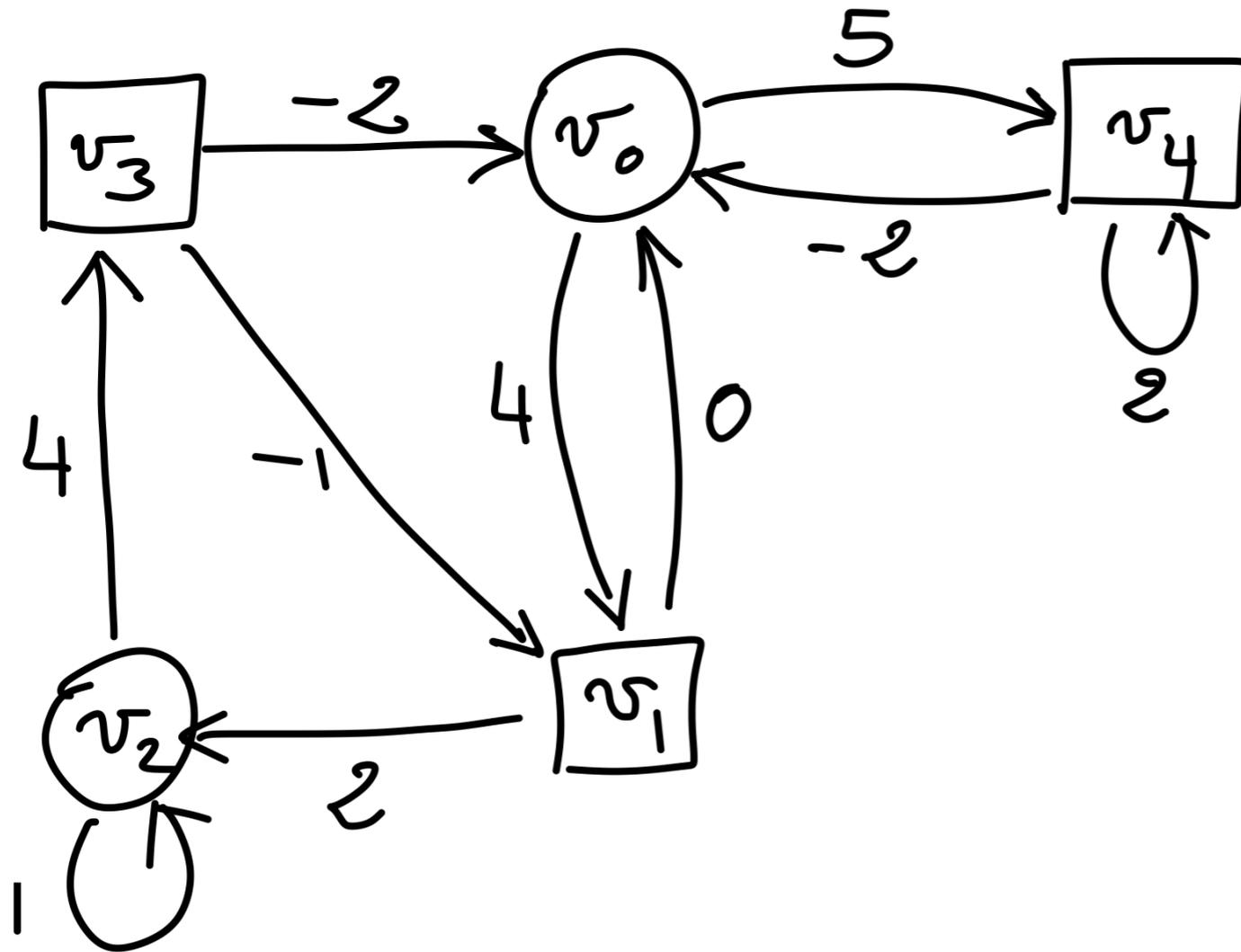
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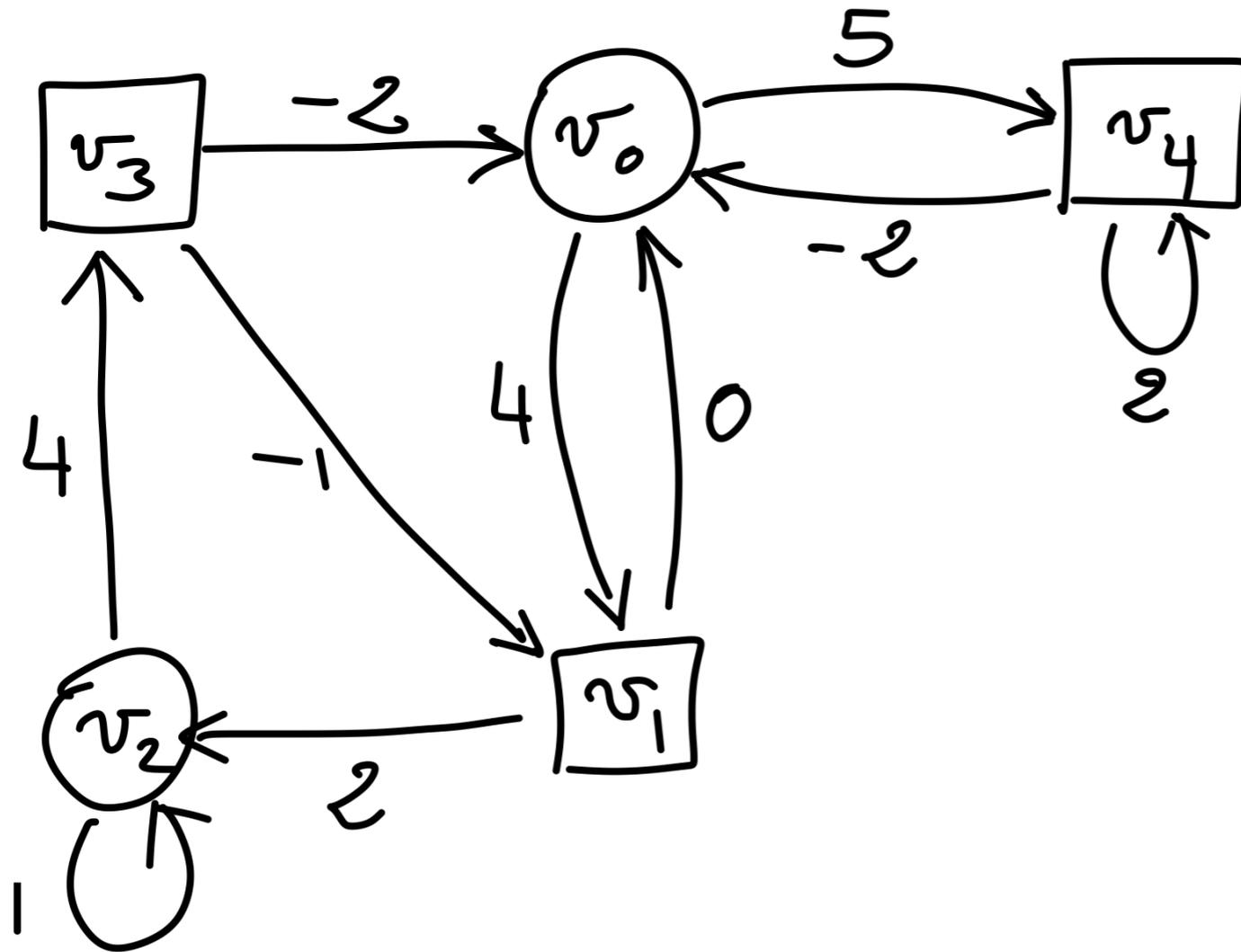


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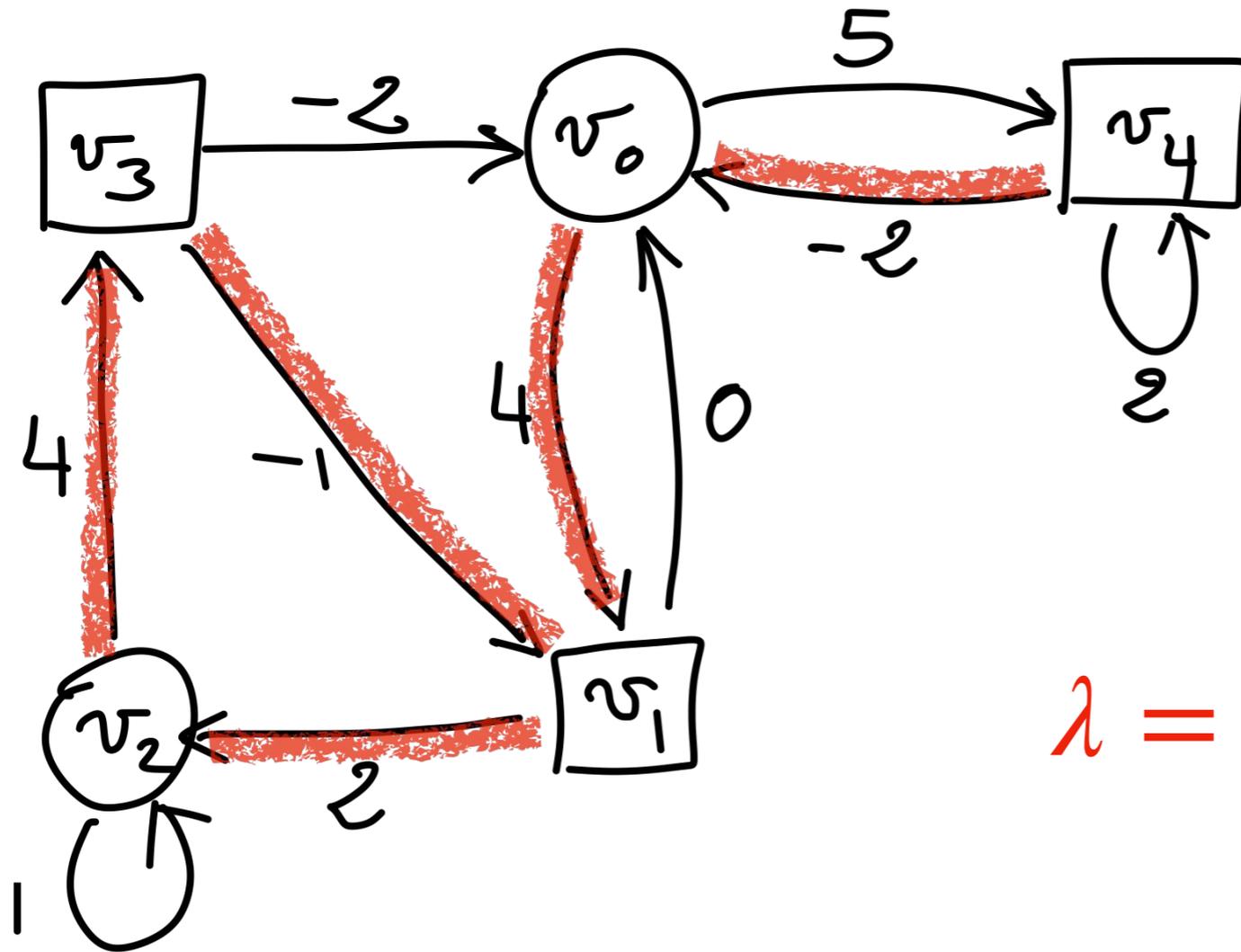
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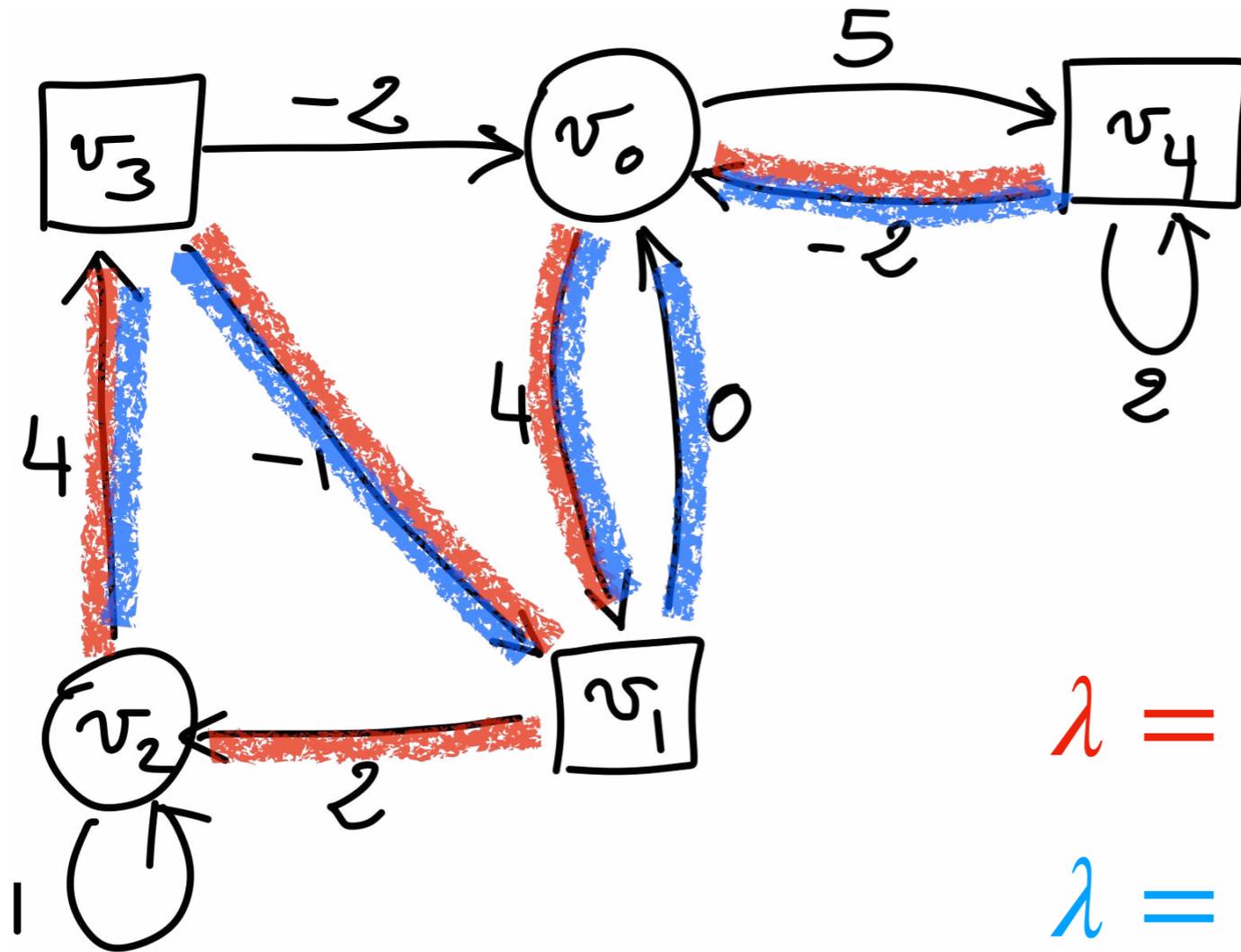
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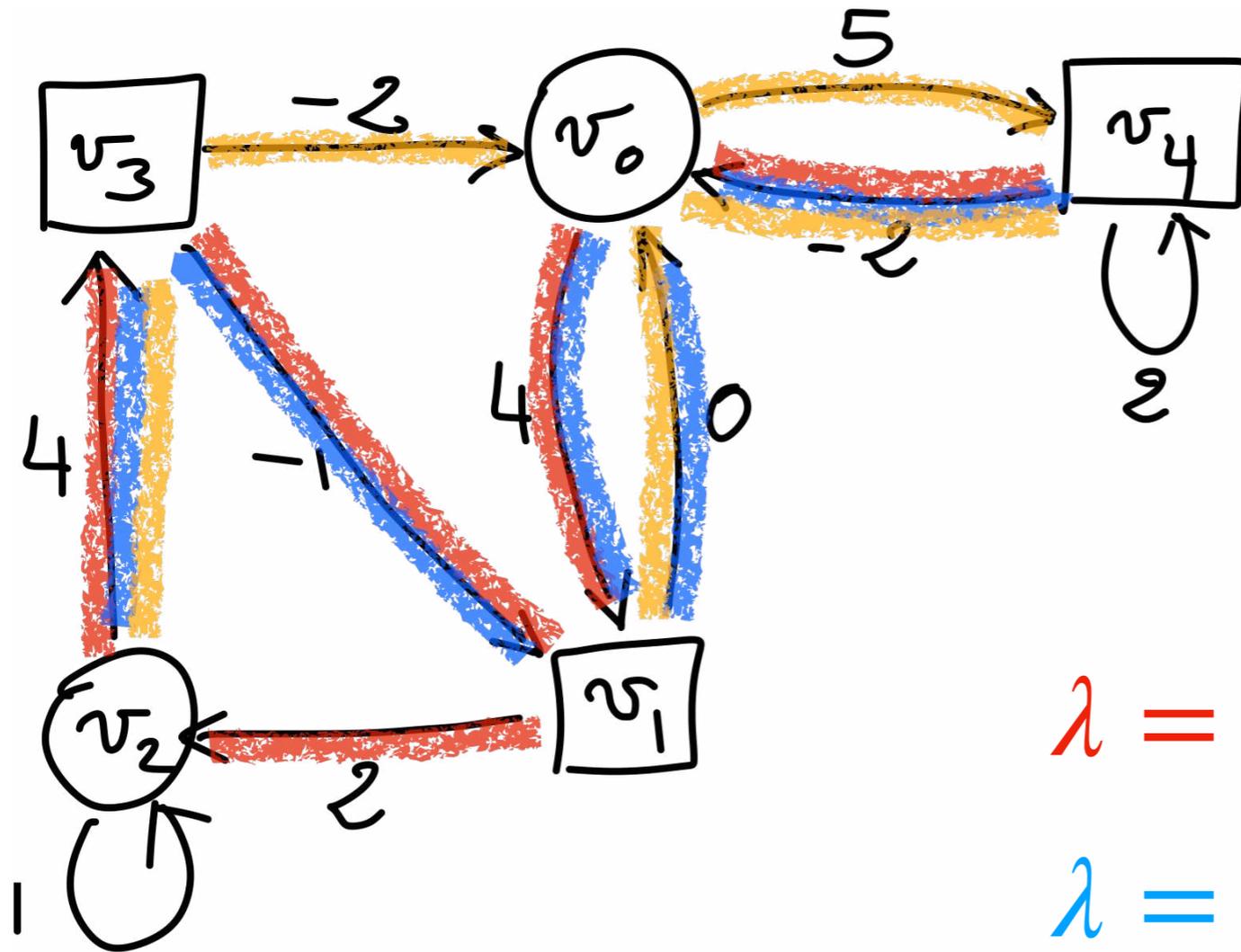
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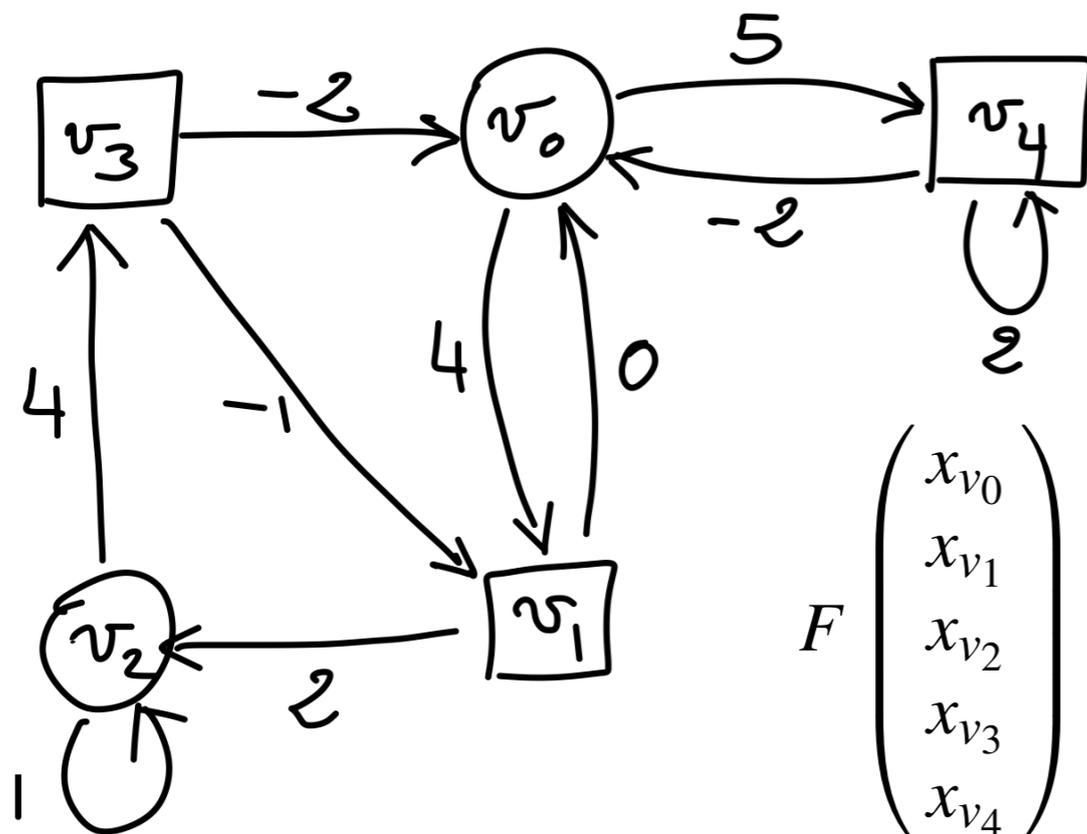
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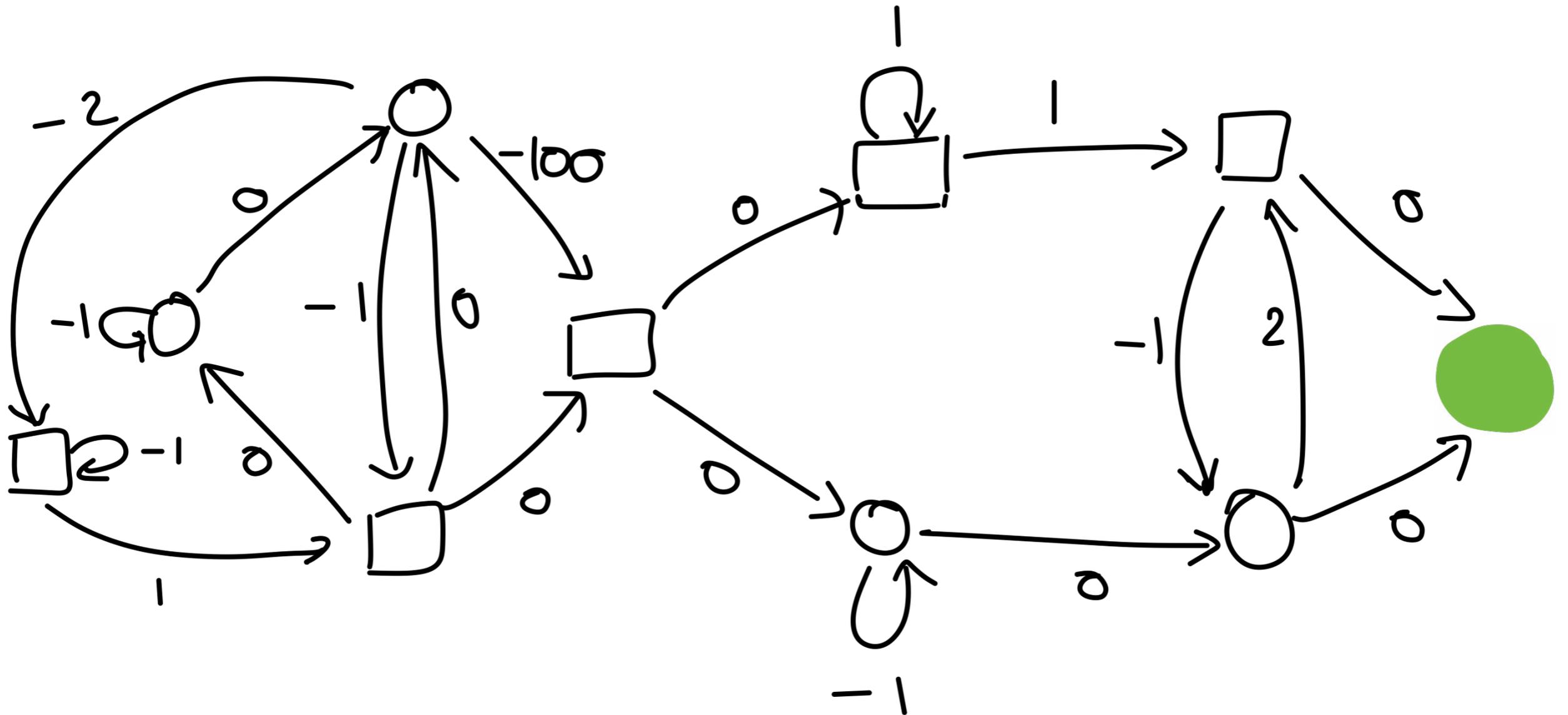
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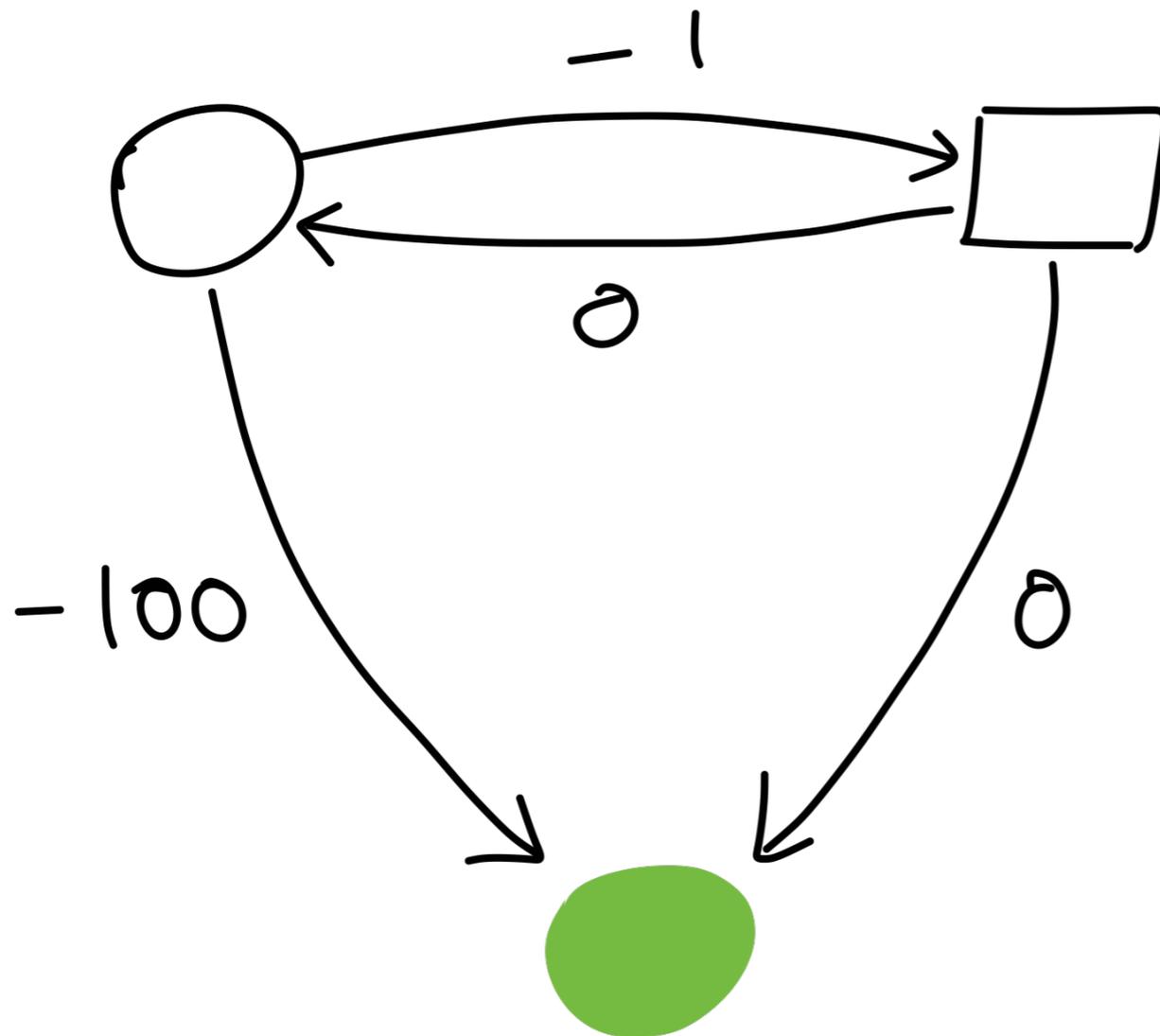
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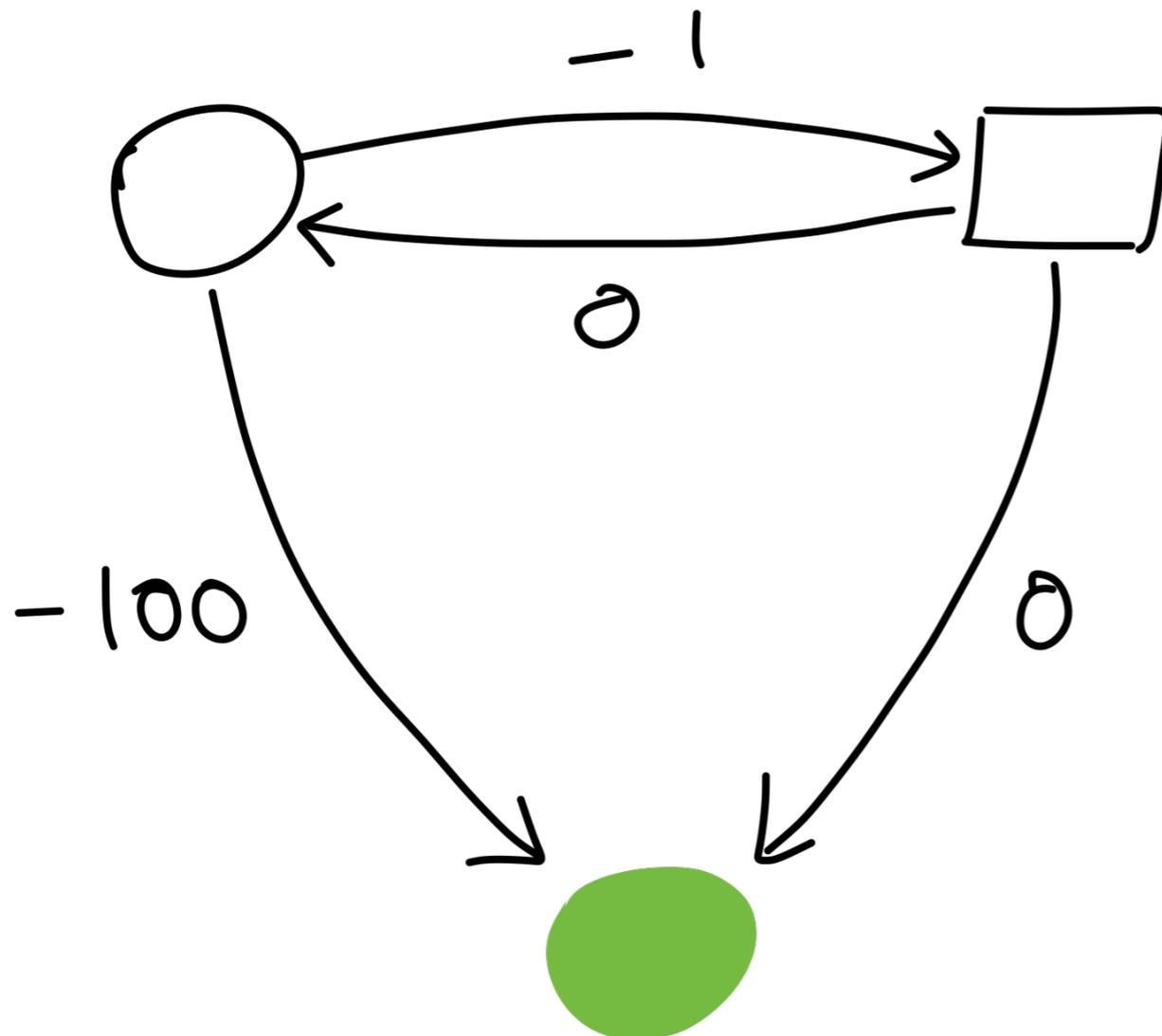
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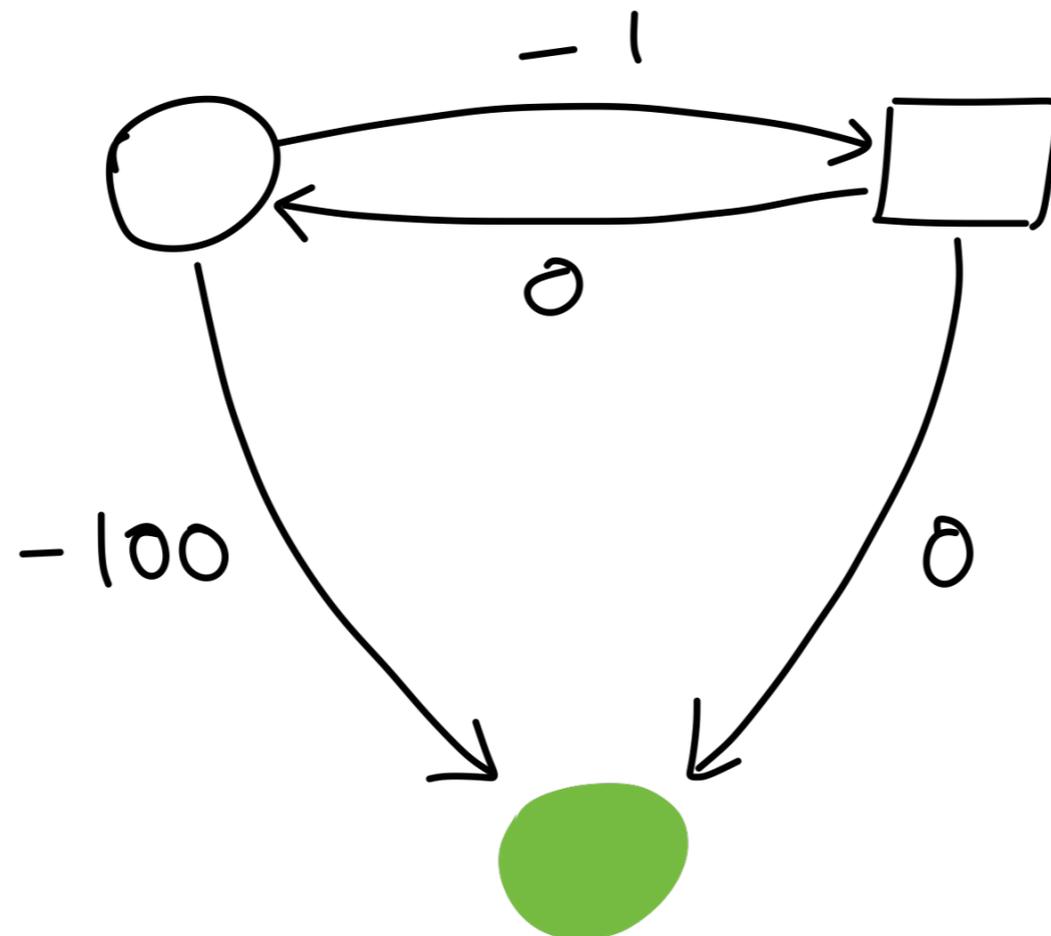
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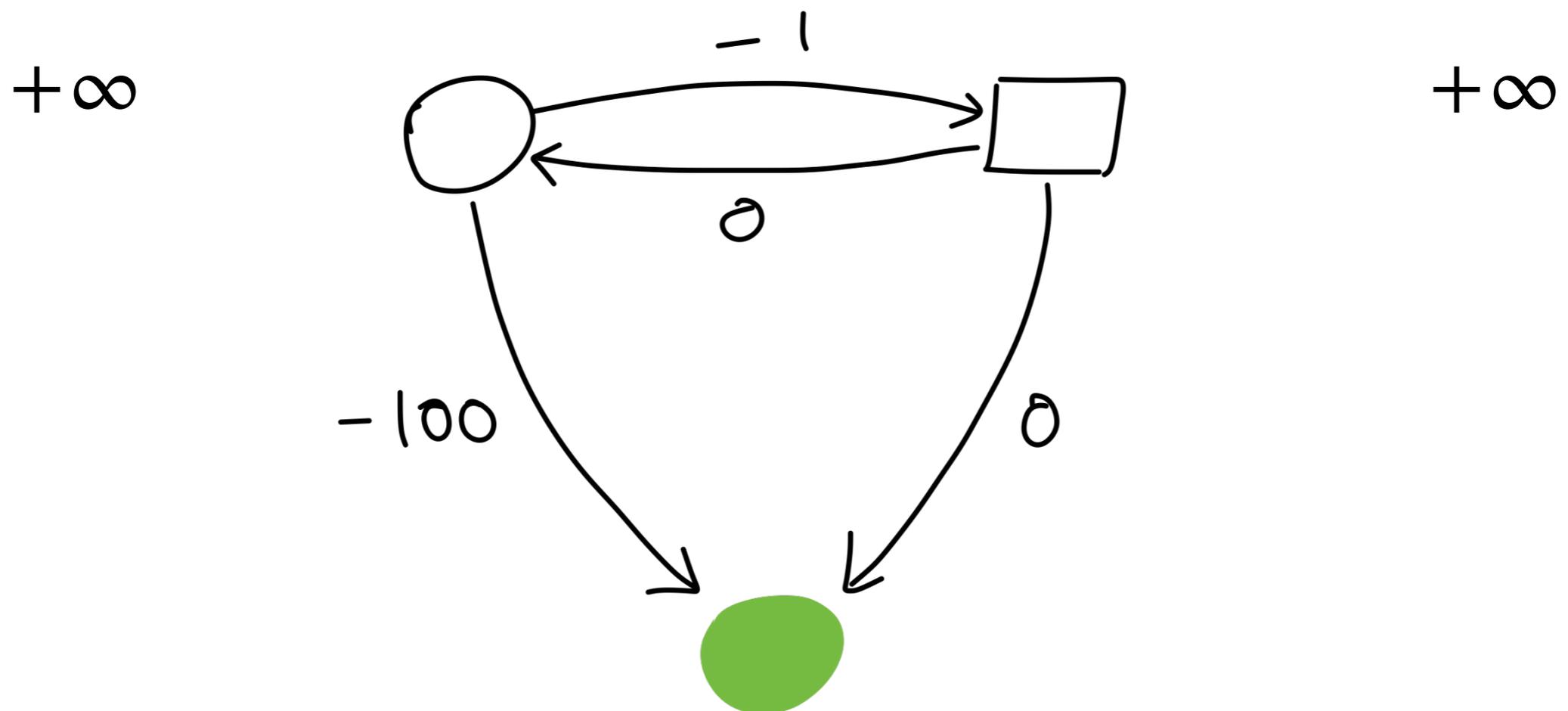
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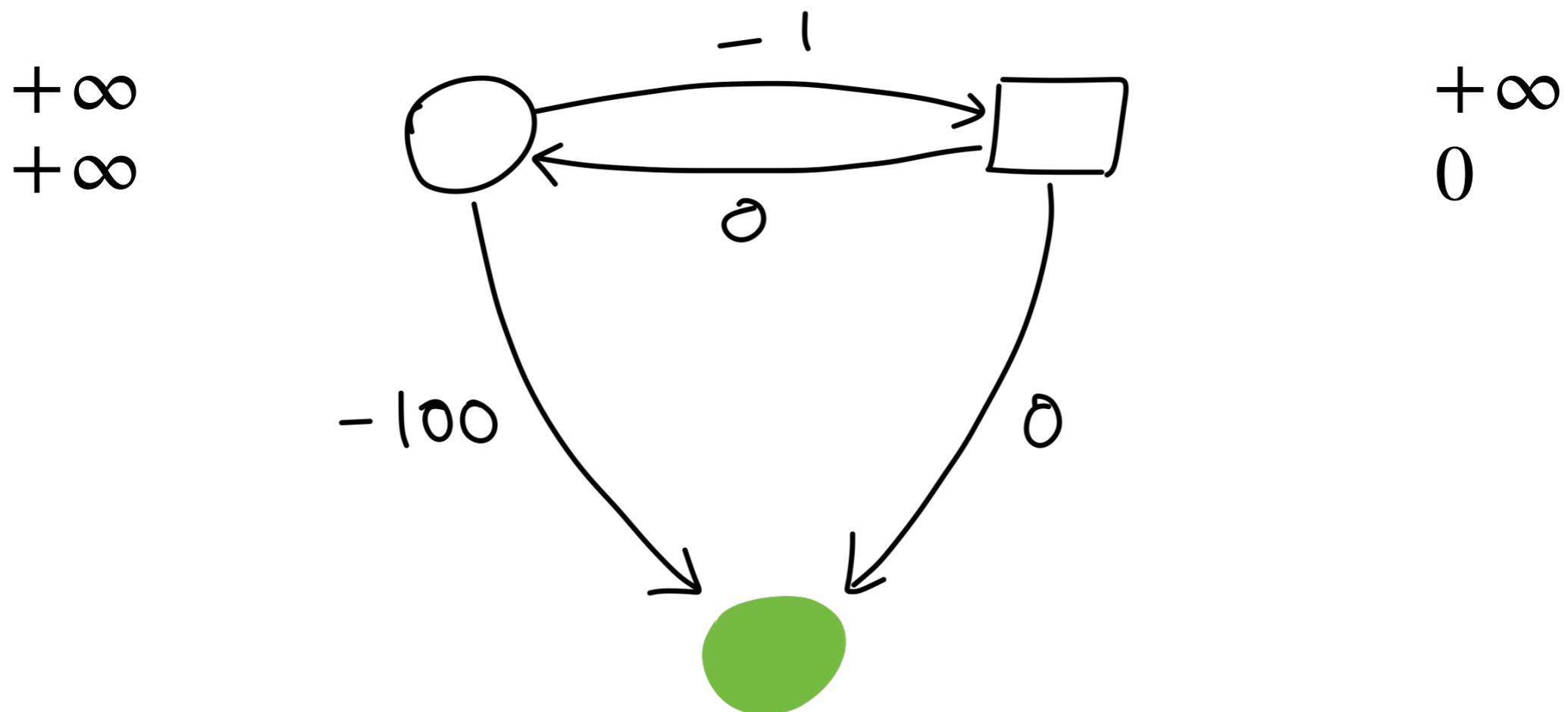
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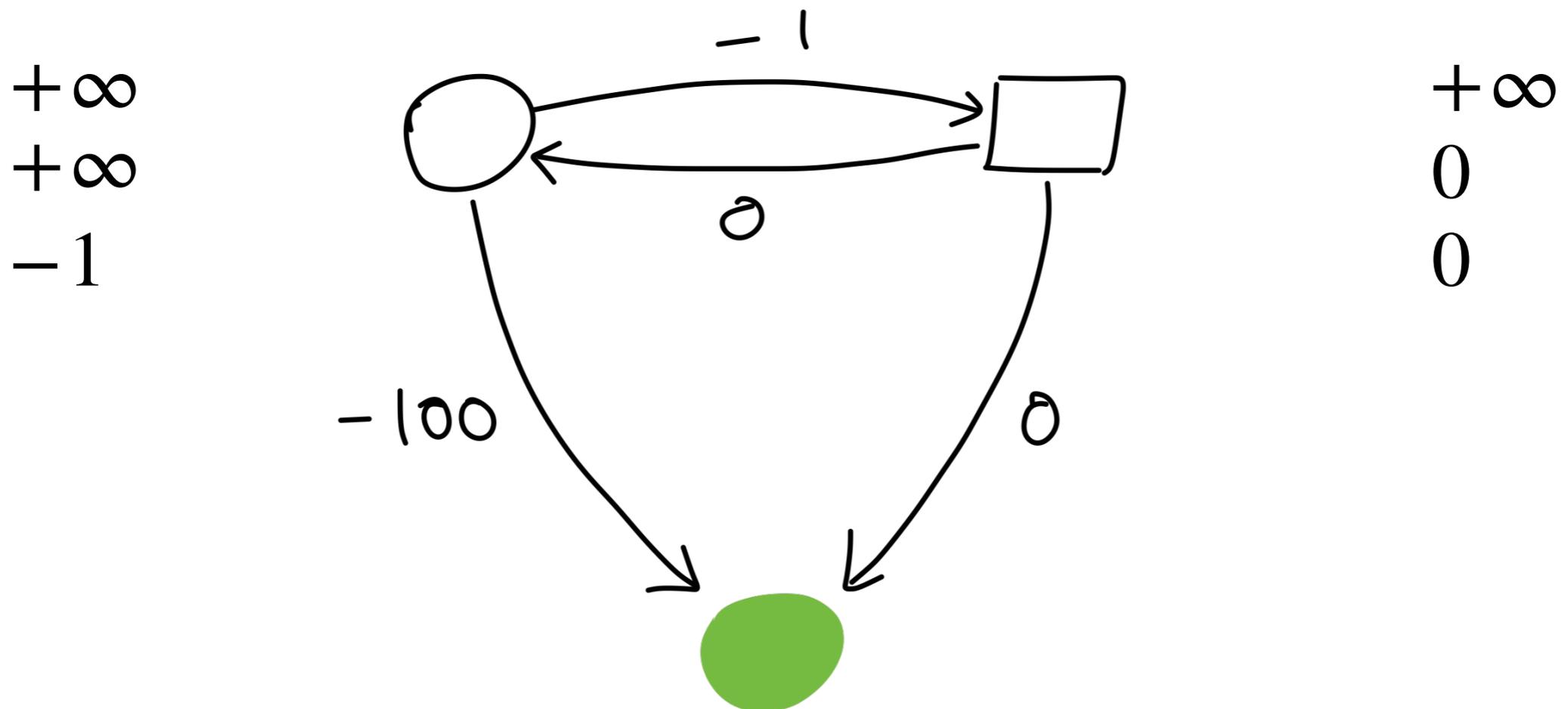
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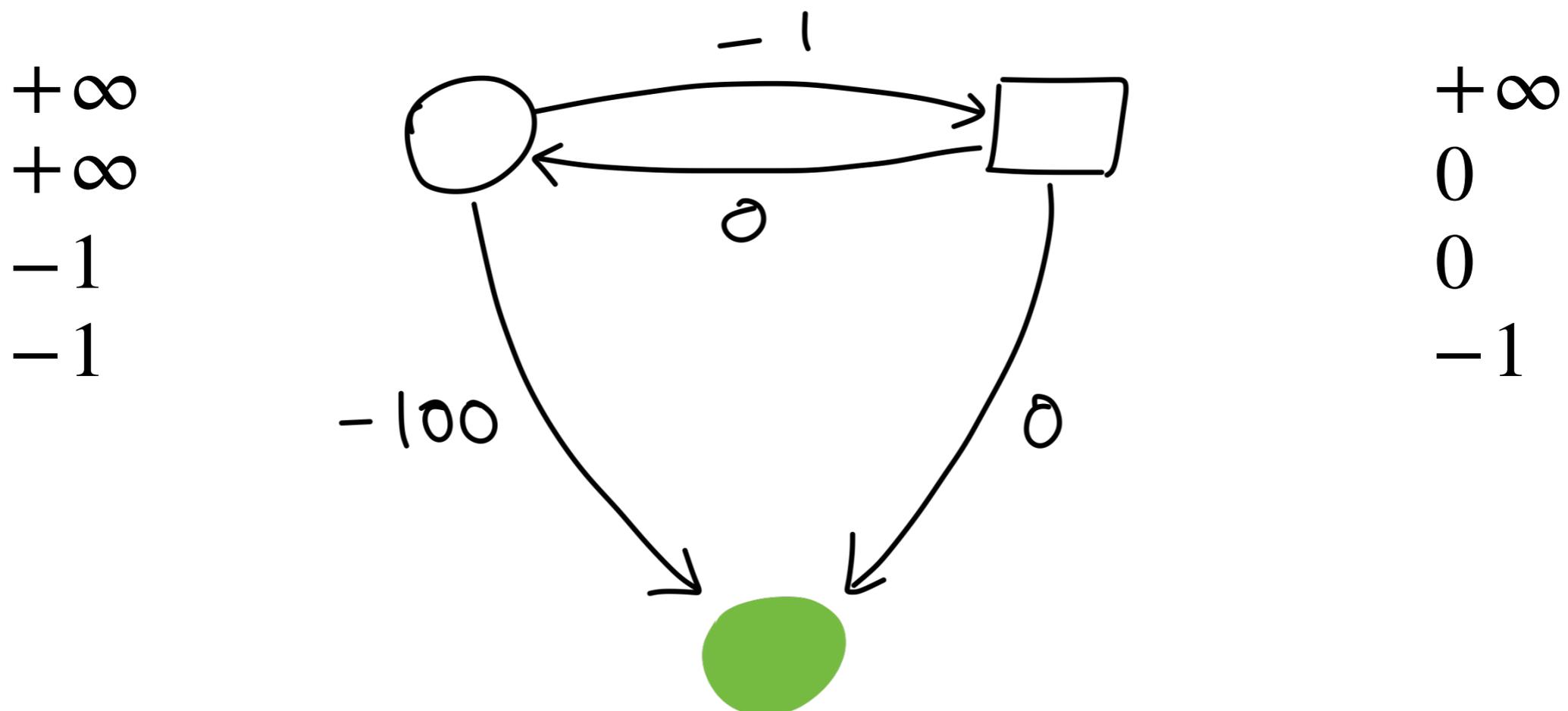
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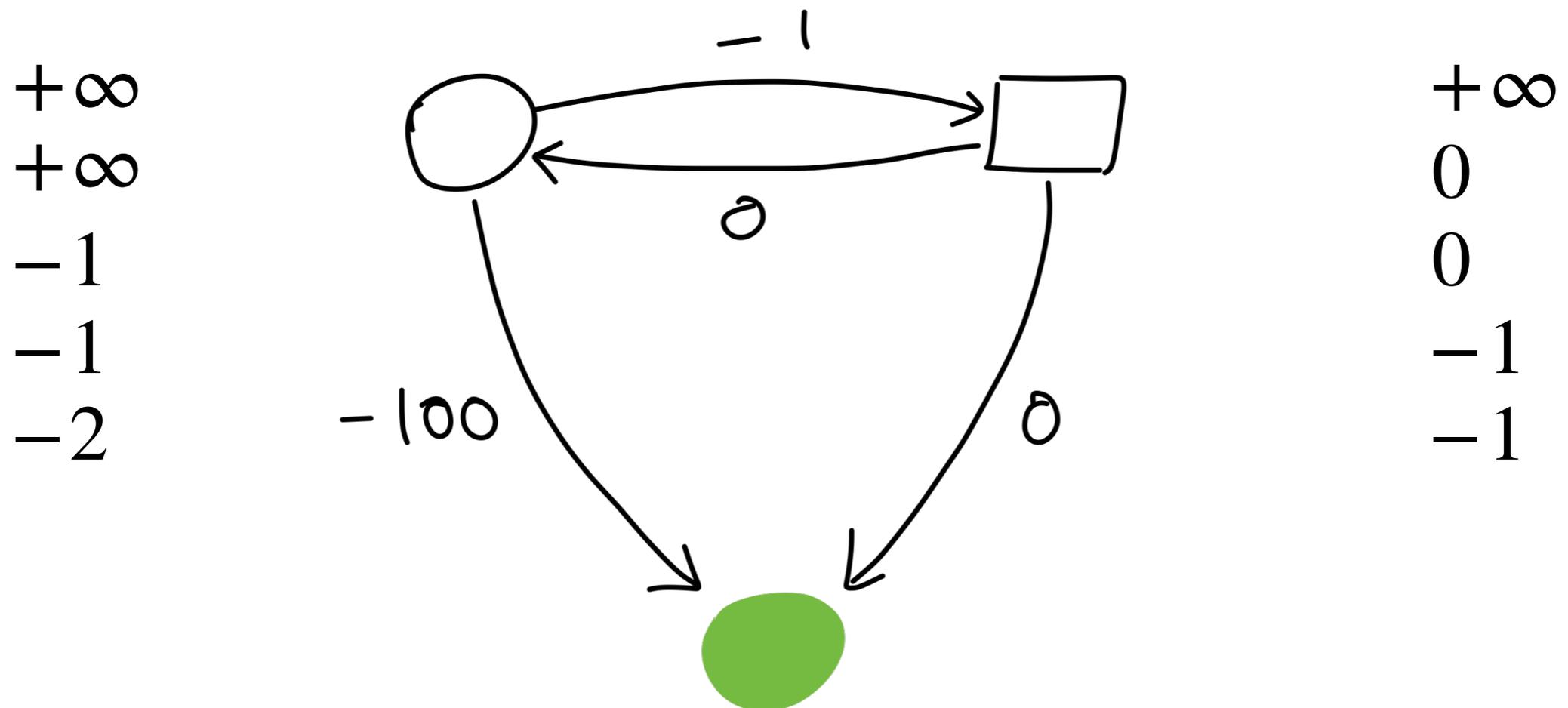
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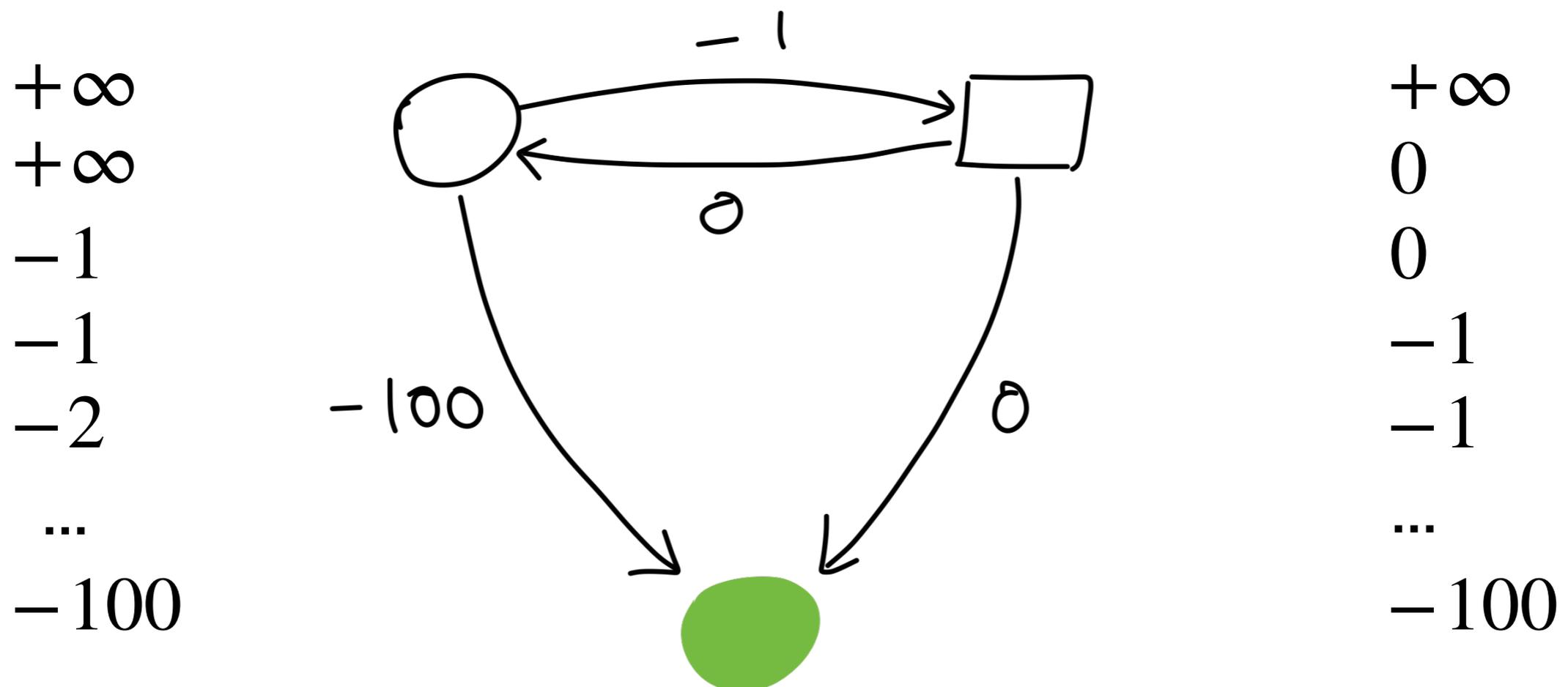
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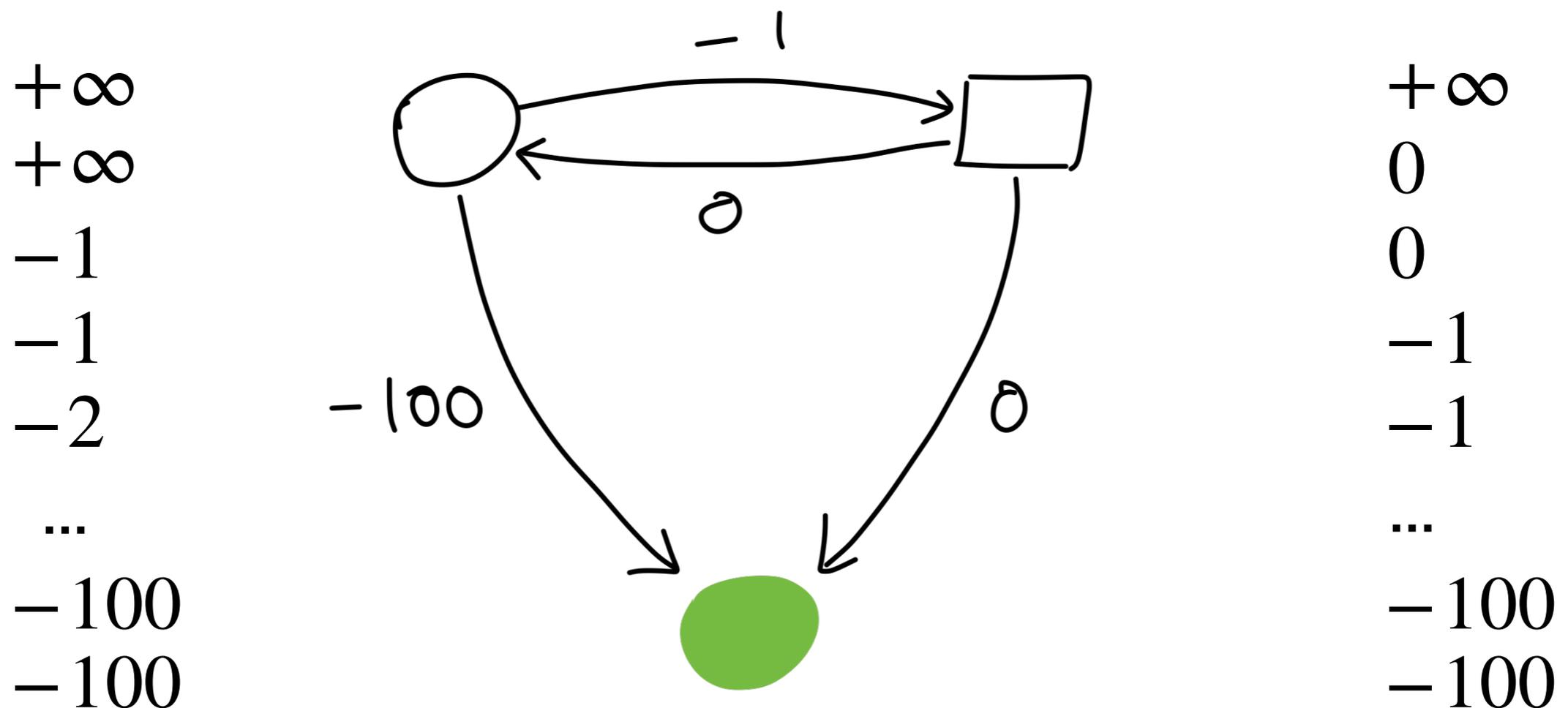
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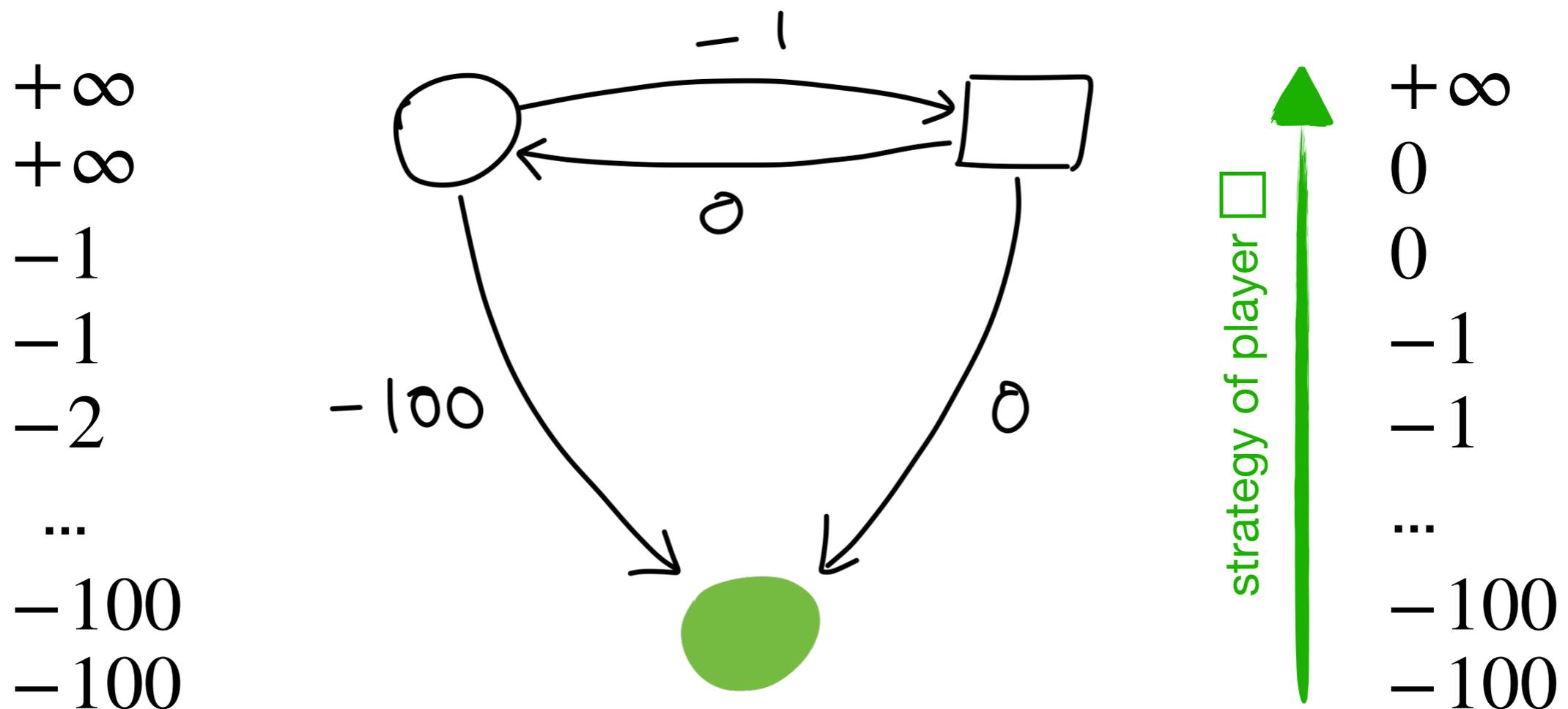
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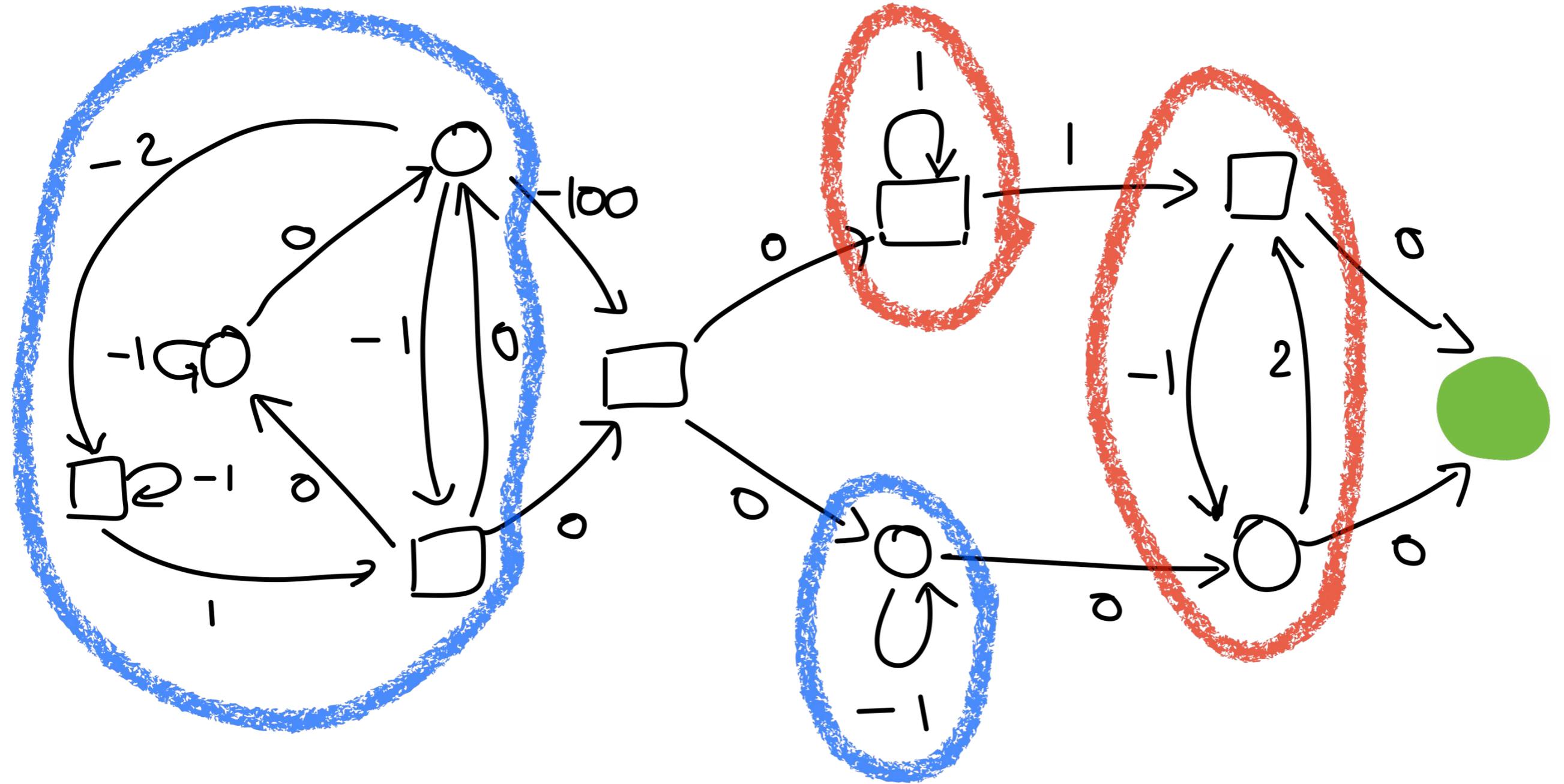
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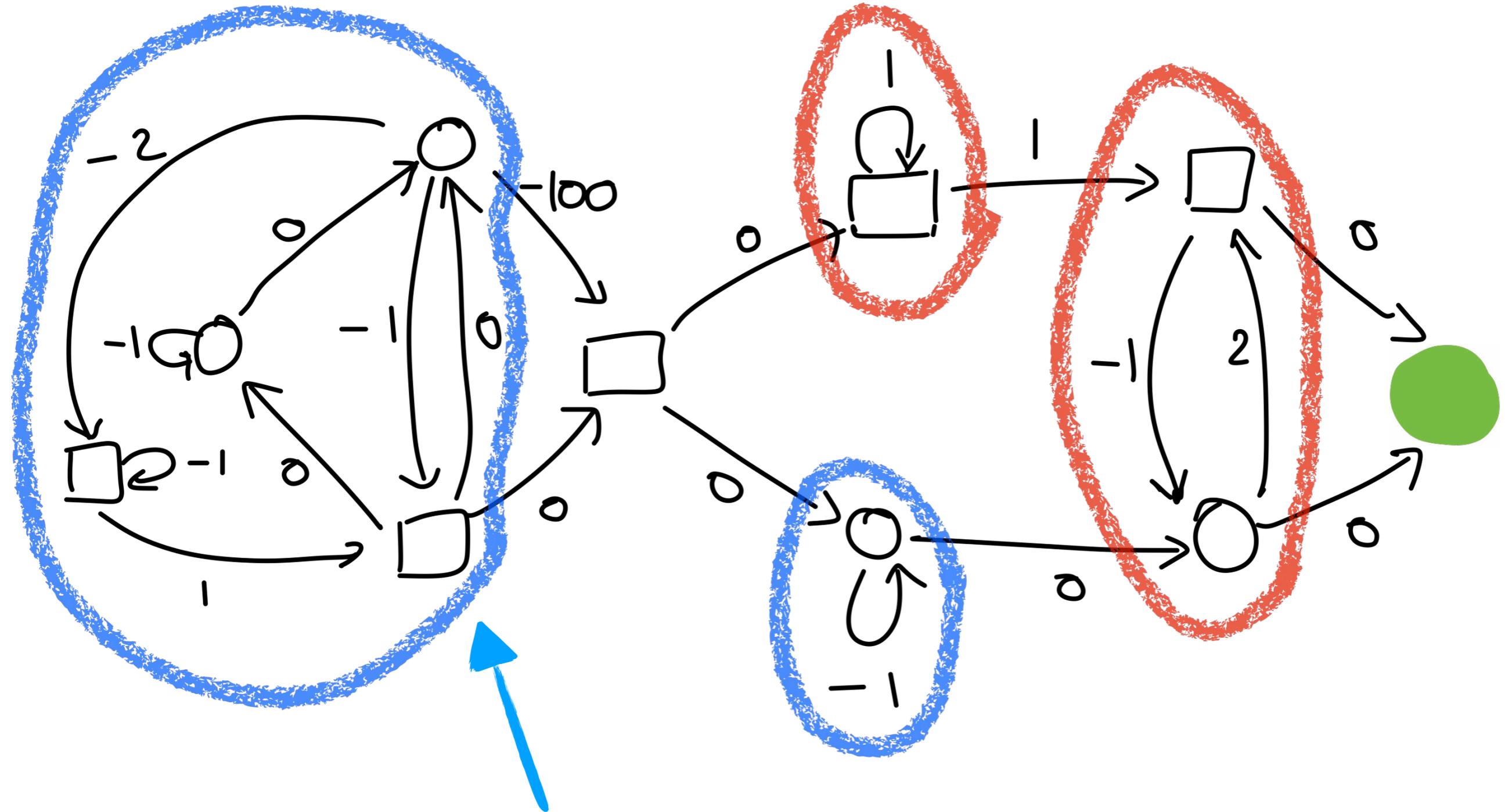
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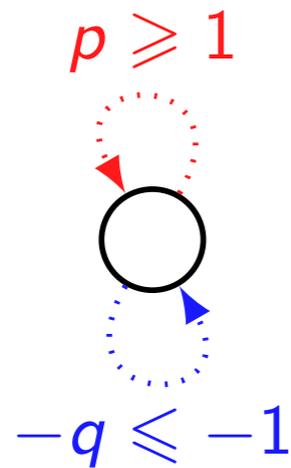
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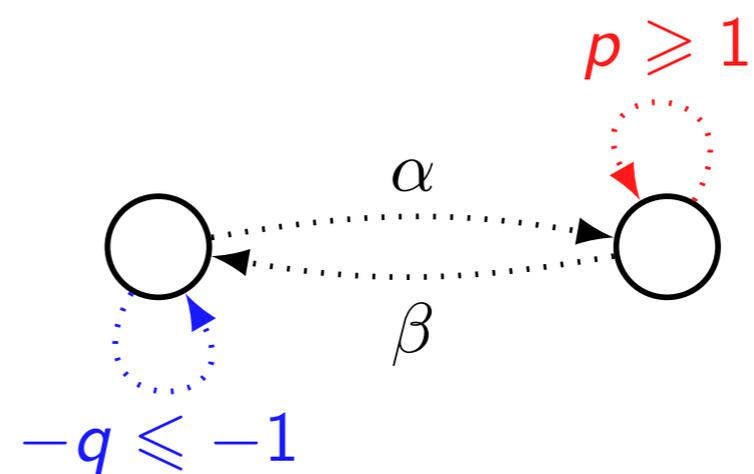
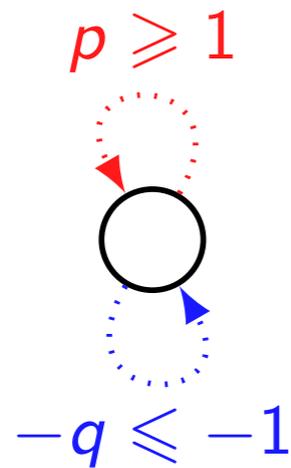


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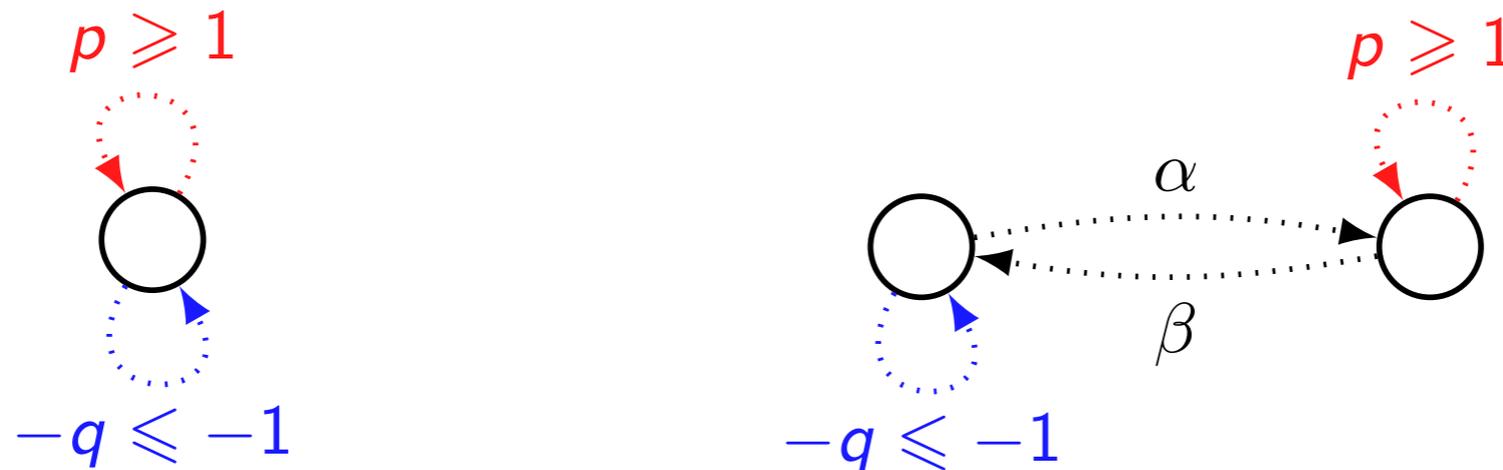


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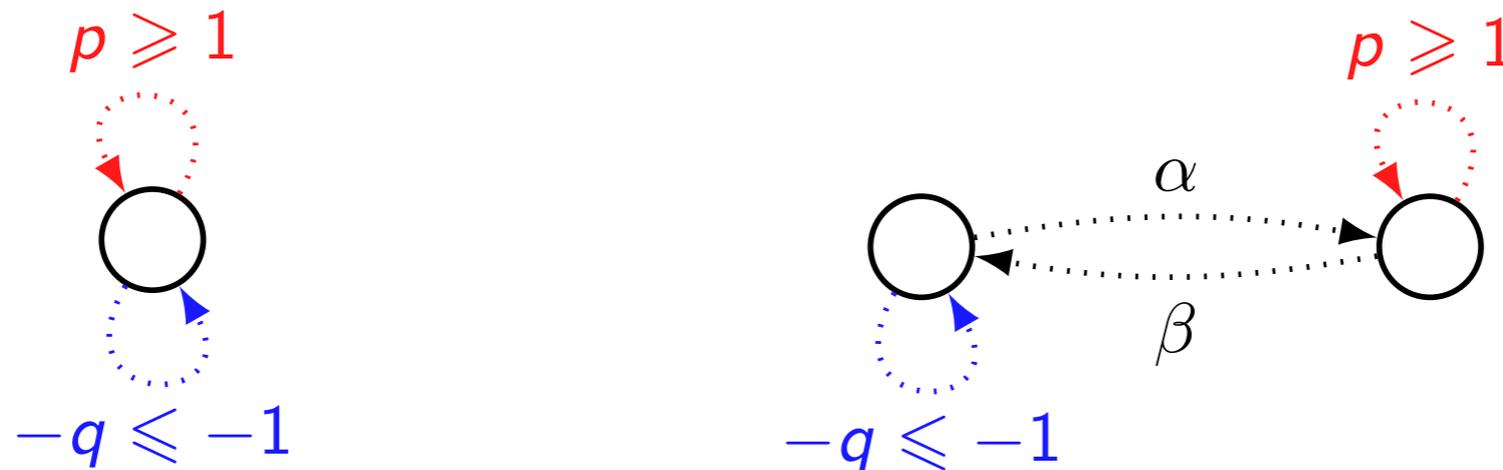
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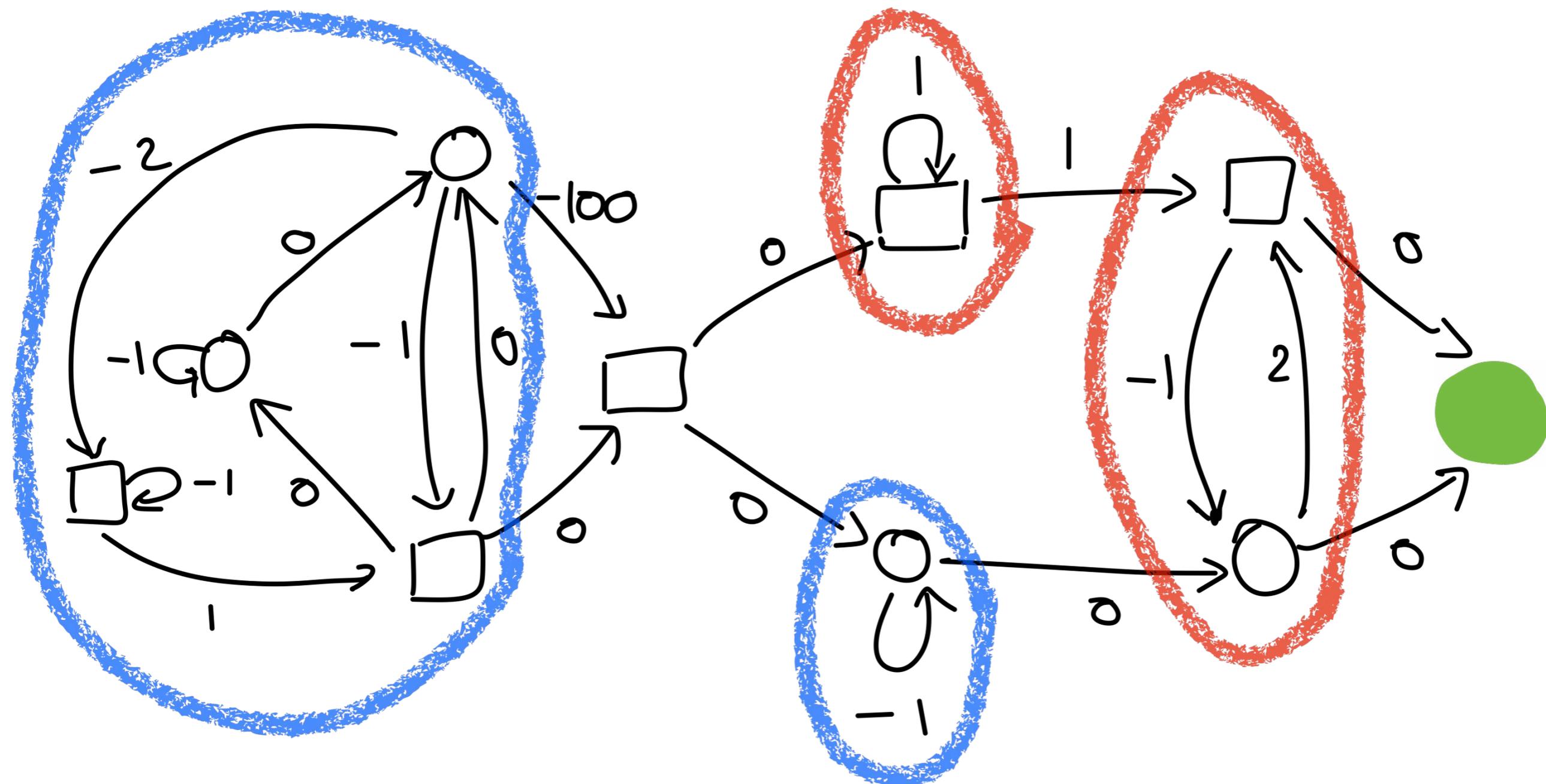
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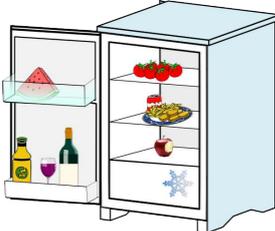


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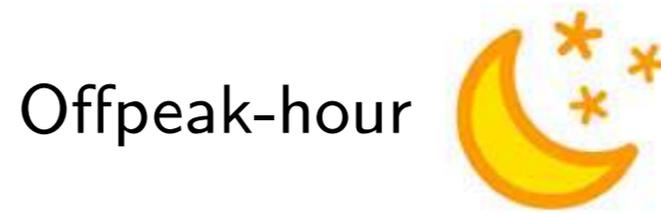
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WTG

undec / undec
 ≥ 3 clocks / ≥ 2 clocks

almost-divergent WTG

approx / approx
2-exp. + *symbolic* algorithm

1WTG reset-acyclic

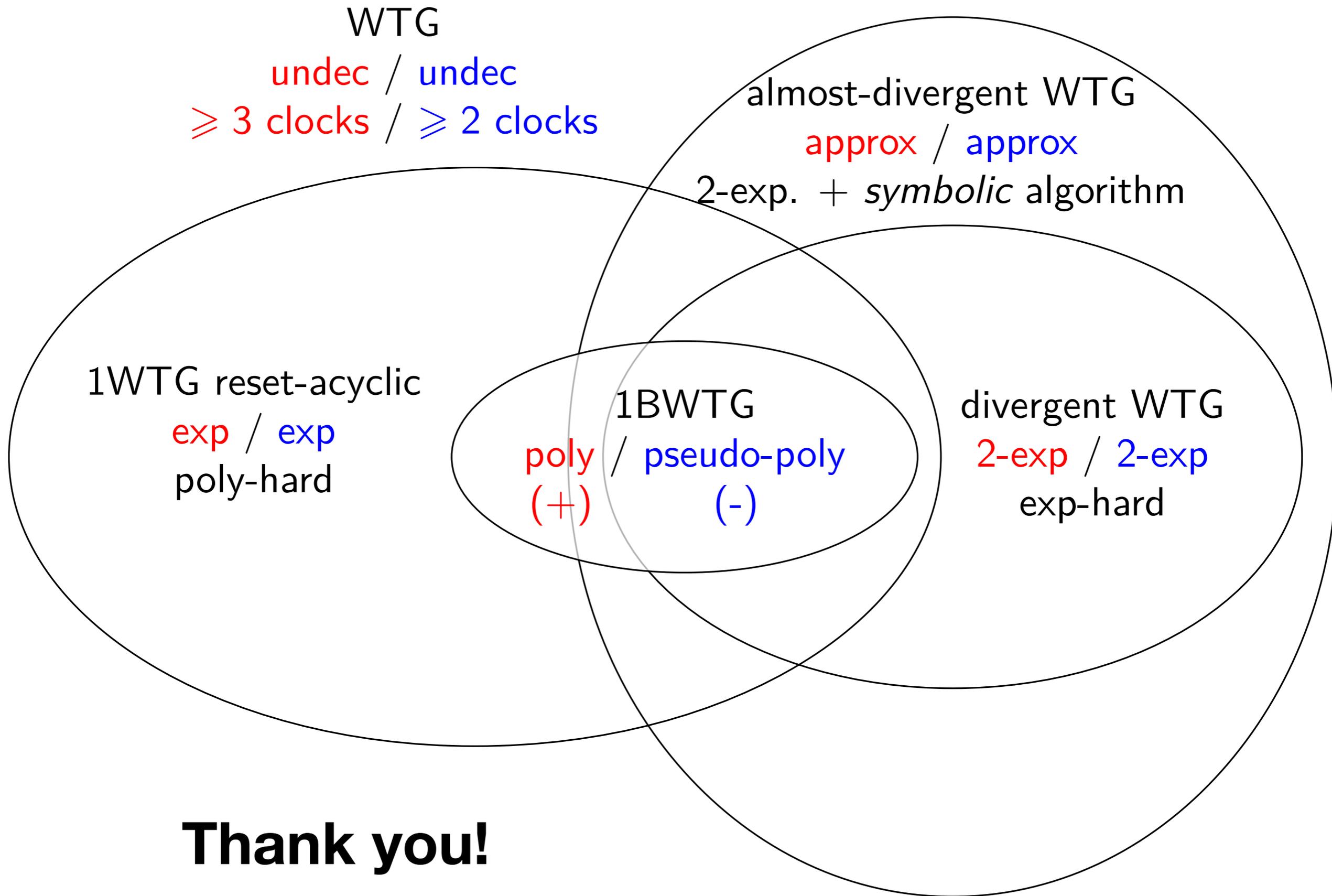
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1BWTG

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Thank you!