## UNIVERSITÄT WÜRZBURG

## Advanced Algorithms

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Lecture 7. Shortest Paths in Graphs with Negative Weights

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The weight of $v_{i} v_{j}$ is $b_{i j}$ if $i>0$ and 0 otherwise.

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Relax(vtx $u$, vtx $v$, weights $w$ )

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