

CHARACTERIZATION OF EXTREME $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - MATRICES

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1. Introduction and basic definitions

A tournament matrix of order n is a $(0, 1)$ -matrix $M = [m_{ij}]$ which satisfies

$$(1) \quad m_{ii} = 0, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \quad \text{and} \quad m_{ij} + m_{ji} = 1 \quad (i \neq j).$$

The tournament matrix M is *transitive*, say a TT -matrix, provided it also satisfies

$$(2) \quad m_{ij} + m_{jk} + m_{ki} \geq 1 \quad (i, j, k \text{ distinct}).$$

A generalized tournament matrix, GT -matrix, of order n is a nonnegative matrix M which satisfies (1). A generalized transitive tournament matrix, is a generalized tournament matrix satisfying (2). The set of all GT -matrices of order n forms a convex polytope \mathcal{G}_n whose extreme points are the tournament matrices of order n . The set of all GTT -matrices of order n also forms a convex polytope \mathcal{T}_n , while the TT -matrices are extreme points of \mathcal{T}_n there are in general other extreme points. We say that a GTT -matrix is *extreme* provided it is an extreme point of \mathcal{T}_n . Let \mathcal{T}_n^* denote the convex hull of the TT -matrices of order n . It is known that $\mathcal{T}_n = \mathcal{T}_n^*$ only for $n \leq 5$ [4,6]. For $n \geq 6$, there is no known characterization of \mathcal{T}_n by a finite set of linear constraints. For each GT -matrix M , we associate a graph(*-graph of M) whose edges correspond to the non-integral entries of M . A graph G is *GTT -realizable* provided there exists a GTT -matrix whose *-graph is isomorphic to G . A graph G is *transitively orientable* provided it is possible to orient each edge of G so that the resulting digraph satisfies the transitive law:

$$a \rightarrow b, \quad b \rightarrow c \text{ implies } a \rightarrow c.$$

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A graph with transitive orientation is called a *comparability graph*.

2. Preliminaries

Theorem 1 *A graph G is GTT -realizable if and only if the complement \bar{G} is a comparability graph.*

Proof Let $M = [m_{ij}]$ be a GTT -matrix of order n and let G denote its $*$ -graph. Choosing for each edge $\{i, j\}$ of \bar{G} the orientation $i \rightarrow j$ if $m_{ij} = 1$ we obtain a transitive orientation of \bar{G} . Conversely, suppose \bar{G} has a transitive orientation. We define a GT -matrix $M = [m_{ij}]$ by:

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } \{i, j\} \text{ is an edge of } G, \\ 1 & \text{if } \{i, j\} \text{ is an edge of } \bar{G} \text{ with orientation } i \rightarrow j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If $m_{ij} = m_{jk} = 1$, then the transitive orientation of \bar{G} implies that $\{i, k\}$ is an edge of \bar{G} and $m_{ik} = 1$. It now follows that M is a GTT -matrix with $*$ -graph equal to G .

Comparability graphs have been characterized by Gillmore and Hoffman[3] (see Theorem 3), so we get the characterization of GTT -realizable graphs by applying to the \bar{G} .

Let G be a graph with edge set E . Let

$$\hat{E} = \{ (a, b), (b, a) \mid (a, b) \in E \}.$$

Define binary relation Γ on \hat{E} as follows.

$$(a, b) \Gamma (a', b') \text{ iff } \begin{cases} \text{either } a = a' \text{ and } \{b, b'\} \notin E \\ \text{or } b = b', \text{ and } \{a, a'\} \notin E. \end{cases}$$

The reflexive transitive closure Γ^* of Γ is an equivalence relation on \hat{E} and equivalence class is called *implication class* of G . For each implication class I , define

$$I^{-1} = \{(a, b) : (b, a) \in I\}.$$

Lemma 2 *Let I be an implication class of a graph G . Exactly one of the following holds;*

- i) $I \cap I^{-1} = \emptyset$
- ii) $I = I^{-1}$.

Proof Assume $I \cap I^{-1} \neq \emptyset$. Let $(a, b) \in I \cap I^{-1}$, so $(a, b) \Gamma^*(b, a)$. For any $(c, d) \in I$, $(c, d) \Gamma^*(a, b)$ and $(d, c) \Gamma^*(b, a)$. Since Γ^* is an equivalence relation, $(c, d) \Gamma^*(d, c)$ and $(d, c) \in I$. Thus $I = I^{-1}$.

Theorem 3 *Let G be an undirected graph with edge set E . \hat{E} is defined as above. The following statements are equivalence:*

- i) G is a comparability graph.
- ii) $I \cap I^{-1} = \emptyset$ for all implication classes I of \hat{E} .
- iii) Every circuit of edges $\{a_1, a_2\}, \{a_2, a_3\}, \dots, \{a_n, a_1\} \in E$ such that $\{a_{n-1}, a_1\}, \{a_n, a_2\}, \dots, \{a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}\} \notin E$ ($i = 2, \dots, n - 1$) has even length.

3. Main Results

Theorem 4 *Let $M = [m_{ij}]$ be a GTT-matrix whose \ast -graph is a G with at least one edge. M is an extreme GTT - $(0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix if and only if $I \cap I^{-1} \neq \emptyset$ for all implication classes I .*

Proof Suppose that $I \cap I^{-1} = \emptyset$ for some implication class I of G . Let $M(\epsilon) = [m_{ij}(\epsilon)]$ be obtained from M by adding ϵ to m_{ij} if $(i, j) \in I$ and subtracting ϵ from m_{ji} if $(j, i) \in I^{-1}$. We claim that $M(\epsilon)$ is a GTT-matrix. Because $I \cap I^{-1} = \emptyset$, $M(\epsilon)$ is a GT-matrix. It suffices that $M(\epsilon)$ satisfies

$$(4) \quad 1 \leq m_{ij}(\epsilon) + m_{jk}(\epsilon) + m_{ki}(\epsilon) \leq 2$$

for all distinct i, j, k . If none of $(i, j), (j, k)$ and (k, i) is in I then $M(\epsilon)$ satisfies transitive inequality (4). Assume that at least one of $(i, j), (j, k)$ and (k, i) , say (i, j) is in I and thus m_{ij} is strictly between 0 and 1. One of the following holds:

(i) Both of m_{jk} and m_{ki} are integers (0 or 1). Since M is a GTT-matrix, both of them can not be 0(or 1) and thus $1 < m_{ij} + m_{jk} + m_{ki} < 2$.

(ii) Only one of m_{jk} and m_{ki} , say m_{jk} , is an integer. Since $(i, j) \in I$ and $\{j, k\}$ is not an edge of G , we have $(i, k) \in I$. $I \cap I^{-1} = \emptyset$ implies $(k, i) \in I^{-1}$.

(iii) Neither $m_{j,k}$ nor $m_{k,i}$ is integer. Since $m_{i,j} = m_{j,k} = m_{k,i} = \frac{1}{2}$, $1 < m_{i,j} + m_{j,k} + m_{k,i} < 2$.

It follows from (i),(ii) and (iii) that for ϵ a small positive number, $M(\epsilon)$ satisfies (4). By same argument $M(-\epsilon)$ is a GTT - matrix. We have

$$(5) \quad M = \frac{1}{2}(M(\epsilon) + M(-\epsilon)),$$

so M is not extreme.

Conversely, suppose that $I \cap I^{-1} \neq \emptyset$ for all implication class I of G and let $M = \frac{1}{2}(A+B)$ for some GTT -matrices $A = [a_{i,j}]$ and $B = [b_{i,j}]$. We have

$$m_{i,j} = a_{i,j} = b_{i,j} (= 0 \text{ or } 1) \text{ if } \{i,j\} \text{ is not an edge of } G$$

$$m_{i,j} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(a_{i,j} + b_{i,j}), \quad b_{i,j} = 1 - a_{i,j} \text{ if } \{i,j\} \text{ is an edge of } G.$$

Suppose that $(i,j) \Gamma (i,k)$ for some distinct i,j,k . Then $\{j,k\}$ is not an edge of G , and so $m_{j,k} = a_{j,k} = b_{j,k}$ is an integer (0 or 1). Without loss of generality assume that $m_{j,k} = 1$. Then we have $a_{i,j} + a_{k,i} \leq 1$ and $b_{i,j} + b_{k,i} \leq 1$. If $a_{i,j} + a_{k,i} < 1$ then $b_{i,j} + b_{k,i} = 2 - (a_{i,j} + a_{k,i}) > 1$, contradicting the fact that B is GTT -matrix. Hence $a_{i,j} + a_{k,i} = 1$, and so $a_{i,j} = 1 - a_{k,i} = a_{i,k}$. Therefore $a_{i,j} = a_{i,k}$ whenever $(i,j) \Gamma (i,k)$. Now

$$(i,j) \Gamma^* (i',j') \text{ iff}$$

$$\exists \Gamma - \text{chain } (i,j) = (i_1,j_1)\Gamma(i_2,j_2)\Gamma \cdots \Gamma(i_k,j_k) = (i',j').$$

Hence we have $a_{i,j} = a_{i',j'}$ if $(i,j) \Gamma^* (i',j')$. Let $(i,j) \in I$ for some implication class I . Then $a_{i,j} = a_{i',j'}$ for all $(i',j') \in I$. $I \cap I^{-1} \neq \emptyset$ means $I = I^{-1}$, so $a_{i,j} = a_{j,i}$. Thus $a_{i,j} = \frac{1}{2} = b_{i,j}$ for $(i,j) \in I$. By the same argument, $a_{i,j} = b_{i,j} = \frac{1}{2}$ for all edges $\{i,j\}$ of G . Hence $M = A = B$, so M is an extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix.

Corollary 5 *The *-graph of any extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix with at least one edge is not a comparability graph, but its compliment is a comparability graph.*

We now see the relation between extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrices and examples of GTT -nonrealizable graphs.

Lemma 6 *If the compliment \bar{G} of a graph G is a even-cycle C_n for $n \geq 6$, then G is $*$ -graph of an extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix.*

Proof Suppose that \bar{G} is even-cycle $C_n = (1, 2, \dots, n, 1), n \geq 6$. Since an even-cycle is a comparability graph, G is GTT -realizable graph. Let $M = [m_{ij}]$ be a GTT -matrix whose $*$ -graph is G and $m_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}$ if $\{i, j\}$ is an edge of G . Assume that $M = \frac{1}{2}(A + B)$ for some GTT - matrices $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$. Then $m_{ij} = a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ are integers if $\{i, j\}$ is an adge of \bar{G} . We get, after reordering if necessary,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & * & & & * \\ * & 0 & * & & \beta \\ & & \dots & & \\ & \bar{\beta} & & * & 0 & * \\ * & & & * & * & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $*$ is 0 or 1 and $0 \leq \beta \leq 1, \bar{\beta} = 1 - \beta$. Then $a_{13} = a_{3n} = \beta$ and a_{n1} equals 0 or 1. This implies that $a_{13} + a_{3n} = 2\beta = 1$, thus $M = A = B$. Therefore M is an extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix.

Lemma 7 *If the compliment \bar{G} of a graph G contains a chordless k -cycle ($k \geq 5, \text{odd}$) as induced subgraph, then G is GTT -nonrealizable graph.*

Proof Suppose that \bar{G} contains a cycle $C_k = (1, 2, \dots, k, 1)$. Assume that $M = [m_{ij}]$ is the GTT -matrix whose $*$ -graph is G and $m_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}$ for all i and j such that $\{i, j\}$ is an adge of G . Let $P = [p_{ij}]$ be the principle submatrix of M of order k , whose $*$ -graph is compliment of C_k . Then p_{ij} are integers if $\{i, j\}$ is an adge of C_k . Whitout loss of generality, assume that $p_{12} = 1$ (the possibility $p_{12} = 0$ is argued in a similar way). Since P is also GTT -matrix we have $p_{ii+1} = 1$ for all odd $i, (i = 1, 3, \dots, k - 2)$ and $p_{1k} = 1$. Thus $p_{1k} + p_{k-1k} + p_{k1} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$, contradicting the transitivity of P . Hence G is GTT -nonrealizable graph.

Lemma 8 *Let a graph G be the compliment of LB_n in figure 1 for $n \geq 6$. Then G is GTT -realizable graph if n is even, and G is $*$ graph of extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix if n is odd.*

Proof Let \bar{G} be an LB_n in Figure 1. Assume that n is even and $M = [m_{ij}]$ is a GTT -matrix whose $*$ -graph is G and $m_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}$

for each edge $\{i, j\}$ of G . Without loss of generality, assume that $m_{12} = 1$. Repeated use of the transitive inequality gives that $m_{1k} = 1$ for $k = 3, \dots, n - 3, n - 1$ and $m_{kk+1} = 0$ for even k , $k \leq n - 3$ and $m_{kk+1} = 1$ for odd k , $k \leq n - 3$. Hence $m_{1n-3} = m_{n-3n-2} = 1$ and $m_{n-21} = \frac{1}{2}$, contradicting the transitivity of M .

Now assume that n is odd. Let $M = [m_{ij}]$ be a GT -matrix such that $m_{1k} = 1$ for $k = 2, \dots, n - 3, n - 1$ and $m_{kk+1} = 1$ for odd k where $k \leq n - 3$, otherwise $m_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}$. Then it is easy to check that M satisfies transitive inequality. Assume that $M = \frac{1}{2}(A + B)$ for some GTT -matrices A and B . We get $M = A = B$ by the same argument in Lemma 6. Hence M is an extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix.

Theorem 9. *The compliment of \ast -graph of any extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix of order 6 is isomorphic to C_6 or G_1 in figure 1. Therefore M_1 and M_2 are the only extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrices of order 6 up to isomorphism.*

Proof. If G is a \ast -graph of an extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix, then \bar{G} is GTT -nonrealizable. Note that C_5, C_6, LB_6 and two graphs G_1, G_2 are the only minimal GTT -nonrealizable graphs of order at most 6. If \bar{G} contains C_5 or $\bar{G} = LB_6$, then G is GTT - nonrealizable by Lemma 7 and 8. Hence the only possible compliments of \ast -graph of any extreme $GTT - (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ - matrix of order 6 are C_6 and G_1 , and these two are compliment of \ast -graphs of M_1 and M_2 .

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

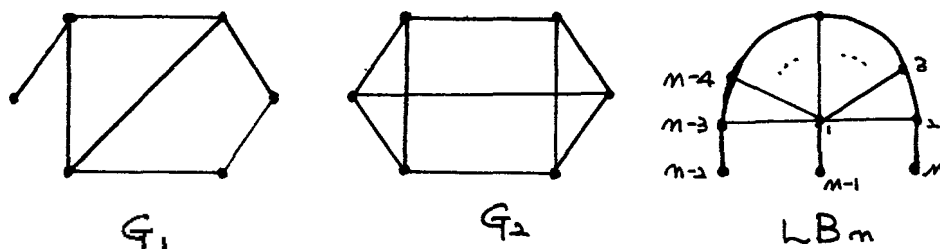


Figure 1

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