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Completely positive matrices of order 5 with \widehat{CP} -graph

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Abstract. We characterize completely positive matrices of order five whose associated graph is a \widehat{CP} -graph not completely positive, unifying and improving results obtained by Xu. We show by counterexamples that two characterizations obtained by Xu are incorrect.

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1 Introduction

All matrices considered in this paper are real matrices. We follow notations and terminology used in [2]. In particular, a matrix that is both entry-wise nonnegative and positive semidefinite is called *doubly non-negative*, and a matrix of the form WW^T , for W a non-negative matrix, is called *completely positive*. The classes of doubly non-negative and completely positive $n \times n$ matrices are denoted, respectively, by \mathcal{DNN}_n and \mathcal{CP}_n . Obviously the inclusion $\mathcal{CP}_n \subseteq \mathcal{DNN}_n$ holds. It is well known that this inclusion is actually an equality for $n \leq 4$, and that for $n \geq 5$ the inclusion is proper. We refer to the monograph [2] for all information on these classes of matrices.

An essential tool in the investigation of completely positive matrices is the graph theory. The vertex set of a graph G of order n is identified with $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Given a symmetric non-negative matrix $A = [a_{ij}]$ of order n, the (undirected) graph G(A) associated with A has n vertices and edges (i, j) for those $i \neq j$ such that $a_{ij} > 0$ (it is understood that there are no loops in G(A)).

A graph G is completely positive if every matrix $A \in \mathcal{DNN}_n$ such that $G(A) \cong G$ is completely positive. The following characterization of completely

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positive graphs settles one of the so-called *qualitative problem* for completely positive matrices, after the contributions by many authors (see [2]).

Theorem 1.1 (Kogan-Berman [3]). A graph G is *completely positive* if and only if it does not contain cycles of odd length > 3.

It follows that a graph G with 5 vertices is not completely positive exactly if it contains a cycle of length 5. Up to isomorphisms, there are 8 different types of graphs with this property. We follow the notation in [4], where these graphs are denoted by G_i $(1 \le i \le 8)$. Their patterns, displayed in [4], are, up to isomorphisms, the following:



It is understood that the vertices in the above graphs are numbered clockwise, starting with the top vertex by 1. A graph G is a \widehat{CP} -graph if there is a vertex j, that we call *hat-vertex*, such that there are exactly two vertices adjacent to j, not adjacent to each other, and $G \setminus \{j\}$ is completely positive. \widehat{CP} -graphs have been introduced under the original name *excellent graphs* by Barioli [1], who characterized completely positive matrices with excellent graphs among the doubly non-negative ones. Among the eight non-CP graphs of order 5 illustrated above, only the first three are \widehat{CP} -graphs.

Lemma 1.2. A graph G with five vertices which is not completely positive is a \widehat{CP} -graph if and only if it is isomorphic to one of the graphs G_1, G_2, G_3 .

The three cases of doubly non-negative matrices of order 5 with associated graphs G_1 , G_2 and G_3 are treated separately by Xu in [4] and [5]. Recall that the matrices of these three types may be assumed, without loss of generality (after normalization and cogredience), to be in the following forms (1), (2) and (3), respectively (it is understood that an entry a_{ij} denotes a positive real number):

$$(1) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & 0 & 0 & a_{15} \\ a_{12} & 1 & a_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{13} & 1 & a_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{34} & 1 & a_{45} \\ a_{15} & 0 & 0 & a_{45} & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \qquad (2) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 & a_{15} \\ a_{12} & 1 & a_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & 1 & a_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{34} & 1 & a_{45} \\ a_{15} & 0 & 0 & a_{45} & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$(\mathbf{3}) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 & a_{15} \\ a_{12} & 1 & a_{23} & a_{24} & 0 \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & 1 & a_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{24} & a_{34} & 1 & a_{45} \\ a_{15} & 0 & 0 & a_{45} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Barioli characterized in [1] the CP matrices with associated graphs isomorphic to G_1 ; the same result was also proved by Xu in [5].

Theorem 1.3 (Barioli [1]). For a doubly non-negative matrix A with associated graph G_1 in the form (1), the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is completely positive;
- (2) det $A \ge 4a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}$.

We will use the standard notation $A[i_1, \dots, i_r | j_1, \dots, j_r]$ to denote the submatrix of A obtained by intersecting the ordered set of rows $\{i_1, \dots, i_r\}$ and columns $\{j_1, \dots, j_r\}$. Recall that, if $A = [a_{ij}]$, the weight of a cycle $C = \{j_1 \rightarrow j_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow j_k \rightarrow j_1\}$ in G(A) is the product $w_A(C) = (-1)^{k-1}a_{j_1j_2}a_{j_2j_3}\cdots a_{j_kj_1}$ (see [4]). We follow Xu's notation in [4], where he writes: "By $A_{|n|}$, we mean the algebraic sum of the weights of all cycles of length n of G(A)".

Xu characterized in [5] the completely positive matrices with associated graphs isomorphic to G_2 and G_3 . We quote his theorems separately as stated in [4] and adapted to our notation.

Theorem 1.4 (Xu, [4] Theorem 2). For a doubly non-negative matrix A with associated graph G_2 in the form (2), the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is completely positive;
- (2) either det $A[1,2|2,3] \le 0$, or det A[1,2|2,3] > 0 and det $A \ge 4A_{|5|}$.

We remark that the conditions in Theorem 1.4 are different from those in Theorem 2 in [4], where det $A[1,2|2,3] \leq 0$ is replaced by det $A[1,2|1,3] \geq 0$ and det A[1,2|2,3] > 0 by det A[1,2|1,3] < 0. This difference is due to the permutation of the vertices in Xu's graph G_2 with respect to our graph, as displayed above.

We will show, by means of a counterexample (see Example 3.2), that, when det A[1,2|2,3] > 0, the condition det $A \ge 4A_{|5|}$ is not necessary for the complete positivity of A; our Theorem 3.1 will provide the right sufficient and necessary condition.

The matrix used by Xu in [4] to prove the next Theorem 1.5 is exactly in our form (3). We follow his notation by setting $\mu = \min\{a_{23}, a_{13}/a_{12}, a_{34}/a_{24}\}$.

Theorem 1.5 (Xu [4] Theorem 3). For a doubly non-negative matrix A with associated graph G_3 in the form (3) the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is completely positive;
- (2) either $\mu = a_{23}$, or $\mu \neq a_{23}$ and det $A \ge 4A_{|5|}$.

Also for this case we will show, by means of a counterexample (see Example 3.3), that, when $\mu \neq a_{23}$, the condition det $A \geq 4A_{|5|}$ is not necessary for the complete positivity of A; our Theorem 3.1 will provide the right condition.

The three cases of doubly non-negative matrices with associated graphs isomorphic to G_1, G_2 and G_3 are covered by Barioli's characterization of completely positive matrices with \widehat{CP} -graph in [1]; we recall his result adapting it to our setting and notation.

Theorem 1.6 (Barioli [1]). For a doubly non-negative matrix A with associated graph G_1, G_2 or G_3 in the form (1), (2) or (3), the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is completely positive;
- (2) the matrix A^- obtained by A replacing a_{15} by $-a_{15}$ is positive semidefinite.

The goal of this paper is to unify in a single result Theorems 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 using Barioli's Theorem 1.6. We will characterize in Section 3 completely positive matrices with associated graph isomorphic to G_1 , G_2 or G_3 by means of an inequality relating det A with the *total weight* of a hat-vertex, a quantity defined in the next section that can be computed from the entries of A just looking at its associate graph G(A). As mentioned above, our characterization of matrices with associated graph isomorphic to G_2 or G_3 corrects those of Xu in [4].

2 The total weight of a hat-vertex

The crucial tool in the proof of our main theorem is the notion of *total weight* of a hat-vertex of the \widehat{CP} -graph G(A) associated with a matrix $A = [a_{ij}]_{i,j} \in \mathcal{DNN}_5$. The total weight of such a vertex is defined starting from the notion of *corrected weight* of a cycle.

Definition 2.1. Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be a doubly non-negative matrix of order n.

- (1) Given a cycle $C = \{j_1 \to j_2 \to \cdots \to j_k \to j_1\}$ in G(A), its corrected weight is $W_A(C) = w_A(C) \cdot \prod_{i \notin C} a_{ii}$.
- (2) The total weight $W_A(j)$ of a vertex j is the sum of the corrected weights of the cycles of any length containing $j: W_A(j) = \sum_{j \in C} W_A(C)$.

1}, hence the total weight $W_A(5)$ of the vertex 5 (or any other vertex) coincides with the weight and the corrected weight of C:

$$W_A(5) = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} = A_{|5|}$$

Example 2.3. Let $A = [a_{ij}]_{i,j} \in \mathcal{DNN}_5$ be such that $G(A) = G_2$. Then the cycles containing the hat-vertex 5 (or the other hat-vertex 4) are the cycle C as in Example 2.2, and the cycle $C_1 = \{1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1\}$. The respective corrected weights are

$$W_A(C) = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51},$$

$$W_A(C_1) = -a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22}$$

Consequently the total weight of the hat-vertex 5 (and of the hat-vertex 4) is

 $W_A(5) = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22}.$

Since $A_{|5|} = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}$, we have that $W_A(5) = A_{|5|} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22}$, hence $W_A(5) < A_{|5|}$.

Example 2.4. Let $A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathcal{DNN}_5$ be such that $G(A) = G_3$. The only hat-vertex is 5, and there are four cycles containing 5: $C = \{1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1\}, C_1 = \{1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1\}, C_2 = \{1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1\}, C_3 = \{1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1\}$. The respective corrected weights are

$$W_A(C) = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51},$$

$$W_A(C_1) = a_{13}a_{32}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51},$$

$$W_A(C_2) = -a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22},$$

$$W_A(C_3) = -a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}a_{33}.$$

Consequently the total weight of the only hat-vertex 5 is

 $W_A(5) = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{13}a_{32}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}$

 $-a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}a_{33}.$

Since $A_{|5|} = a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{13}a_{23}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}$, we have

$$W_A(5) = A_{|5|} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}a_{33}.$$

Remark 2.5. We note that the weight and the corrected weight of a cycle are identical for normalized matrices in the forms (1), (2) and (3). Non-normalized matrices better reveal the role of the corrected weight and of the total weight, as the proof of the main theorem below will show considering the matrix \tilde{A} . A straightforward computation shows that the relationship between the total weight of a vertex j of G(A) of a non-normalized matrix A and its normalized form DAD, where $D = \text{Diag}(d_1, \ldots, d_n)$, is the following: $W_{DAD}(j) = W_A(j) \cdot \prod_i d_i^2$.

3 The main theorem

Our main result collects Theorems 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 quoted in Section 2 in a single theorem, which characterizes 5×5 completely positive matrices with \widehat{CP} -graphs by means of the total weight of a hat-vertex, improving the characterizations appearing in Xu's papers [4] and [5]. Our theorem relies on Barioli's Theorem 1.6.

Theorem 3.1. For a doubly non-negative matrix A with associated graph G(A) isomorphic to G_1, G_2 or G_3 , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) A is completely positive;
- (2) det $A \ge 4W_A(5)$.

Proof. In view of Remark 2.5, we can assume, without loss of generality, that the matrix A is in normalized form (1), (2) or (3), since $W_{DAD}(5) = W_A(5) \cdot \prod_i d_i^2$ and det $(DAD) = \det(A) \cdot \prod_i d_i^2$.

If $G(A) = G_1$, our result coincides with Theorem 1.3, once it is recalled that $a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} = W_A(5)$, as seen in Example 2.2. We prove now the theorem separately for the cases $G(A) = G_2$ and $G(A) = G_3$.

CASE $G(A) = G_2$. (1) \Rightarrow (2) By Theorem 1.6, det $(A^-) \ge 0$. So we have:

$$0 \leq \det(A^{-}) = \det A[1, 2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3, 4]$$

$$-a_{54} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} & -a_{15} \\ a_{21} & 1 & a_{23} & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{43} & a_{45} \end{pmatrix} + a_{51} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 & -a_{15} \\ 1 & a_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{23} & 1 & a_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{34} & 1 & a_{45} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \det A[1, 2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3, 4]$$

$$-a_{54} \{ a_{15} \det A[2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3] + a_{45} \det A[1, 2, 3|1, 2, 3] \}$$

$$-a_{51} \{ a_{15} \det A[2, 3, 4|2, 3, 4] + a_{45} \det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4] \}.$$

Comparing with the analogous expression of $\det A$, we get

$$det(A^{-}) = det A - 2a_{54}a_{15} det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4] - 2a_{51}a_{45} det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4]$$

= det A - 2a_{54}a_{15}a_{34} det A[1, 2|2, 3] - 2a_{51}a_{45}a_{34} det A[1, 2|2, 3]
= det A - 4a_{51}a_{45}a_{34} det A[1, 2|2, 3]
= det A - 4a_{51}a_{45}a_{34}(a_{12}a_{23} - a_{31})
= det A - 4(a_{51}a_{45}a_{34}a_{12}a_{23} - a_{31}a_{51}a_{45}a_{34})
= det A - 4W_A(5).

We deduce that det $A \ge 4W_A(5)$, as desired.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ For the sake of completeness, we include a sketch of Xu's proof that det $A[1,2|2,3] \leq 0$ implies A completely positive. Let us consider the matrix

$$A' = PAP = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{a}^T \\ \mathbf{a} & A_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where P is the transposition matrix permuting first and second row of I_5 . The Schur complement $A/A[1|1] = A_1 - \mathbf{aa}^T$ is positive semidefinite, and the hypothesis that det $A[1,2|2,3] \leq 0$ ensures that it is also entry-wise non-negative. Therefore $A/A[1|1] \in \mathcal{DNN}_4 = \mathcal{CP}_4$ and consequently $A/A[1|1] = B_1B_1^T$ for a non-negative matrix B_1 . Then a direct computation shows that $A' = BB^T$, where

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}^T \\ \mathbf{a} & B_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

thus A', and consequently A, is completely positive.

Let us assume now that det $A[1, 2|2, 3] = a_{12}a_{23} - a_{13} > 0$. Setting $\mu = a_{13}/a_{23}$, we have that $\mu < a_{12} \le 1 \le 1/a_{12}$. Let e_i denote an elementary vector of appropriate dimension whose *i*-th component is equal to 1, and $E_{ij} = e_i e_j^T$. Now we follow the line of the proof in [5]. Let $S = I - \mu E_{12}$ be the elementary transformation matrix and consider $\tilde{A} = SAS^T$. Then \tilde{A} is obviously positive semidefinite, and the inequalities $\mu < a_{12} \le 1 \le 1/a_{12}$ ensure that \tilde{A} is non-negative. Furthermore, the (1, 3)-entry of \tilde{A} is 0, as is easy to check, so $G(\tilde{A}) = G_1$. A direct computation shows that

$$A_{|5|} = (a_{12} - \mu)a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} = W_A(5)$$

so the hypothesis ensures that $\det \tilde{A} = \det A \ge 4W_A(5) = 4\tilde{A}_{|5|}$. Now Theorem 1.3 implies that \tilde{A} is completely positive. But then also A is completely positive, because $A = S^{-1}\tilde{A}(S^{-1})^T$ and $S^{-1} = I + \mu E_{12}$ is non-negative.

CASE $G(A) = G_3$. (1) \Rightarrow (2) By Theorem 1.6, det $(A^-) \ge 0$. So we have:

$$0 \leq \det(A^{-}) = \det A[1, 2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3, 4]$$

- $a_{54} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} & -a_{15} \\ a_{21} & 1 & a_{23} & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{45} \end{pmatrix} + a_{51} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 & -a_{15} \\ 1 & a_{23} & a_{24} & 0 \\ a_{32} & 1 & a_{34} & 0 \\ a_{42} & a_{43} & 1 & a_{45} \end{pmatrix}$
= $\det A[1, 2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3, 4]$
- $a_{54} \{ a_{15} \det A[2, 3, 4|1, 2, 3] + a_{45} \det A[1, 2, 3|1, 2, 3] \}$
- $a_{51} \{ a_{15} \det A[2, 3, 4|2, 3, 4] + a_{45} \det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4] \}.$

Comparing with the analogous expression of $\det A$, we get

$$\det(A^{-}) = \det A - 2a_{54}a_{15} \det A[2,3,4|1,2,3] - 2a_{51}a_{45} \det A[1,2,3|2,3,4].$$

As $A[2,3,4|1,2,3] = A[1,2,3|2,3,4]^T$, we get

$$det(A^{-}) = det A - 2a_{54}a_{15} det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4] - 2a_{51}a_{45} det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4]$$

= det A - 4a_{45}a_{15} det A[1, 2, 3|2, 3, 4]
= det A - 4a_{45}a_{15}(-a_{24}a_{12} + a_{24}a_{13}a_{32} + a_{34}a_{12}a_{23} - a_{34}a_{13})
= det A - 4(-a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{13}a_{32}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}).

Comparing with $W_A(5)$ as computed in Example 2.4, and since $a_{22} = a_{33} = 1$, the last expression equals det $A - 4W_A(5)$ So we have the desired inequality det $A \ge 4W_A(5)$.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ Also in this case, for the sake of completeness, we include a sketch of Xu's proof that $\mu = a_{23}$ implies A completely positive. Let $\tilde{A} = SAS^T$, where $S = I - \mu E_{23}$. Then \tilde{A} is positive semidefinite, being congruent to A, and the hypotesis $\mu = a_{23}$ ensures that it is non-negative. Furthermore, being the (2,3)-entry of \tilde{A} zero, the graph $G(\tilde{A})$ is completely positive, since it does not contain cycles of odd length ≥ 5 . Therefore \tilde{A} is completely positive, and such is obviously A.

Let us assume now that $\mu = a_{13}/a_{12}$. Let $\tilde{A} = SAS^T$ as above. Since $\tilde{a}_{13} = a_{13} - a_{12}\mu = 0$, $\tilde{a}_{23} = a_{23} - \mu > 0$, $\tilde{a}_{33} = \mu^2 - 2a_{23}\mu + 1 = (a_{23} - \mu)^2 > 0$, $\tilde{a}_{34} = a_{34} - a_{24}\mu$, and the remaining elements of \tilde{A} are as those in A, the inequalities $\mu \leq a_{12} \leq 1 \leq a_{34}/a_{24}$, a_{23} ensure that \tilde{A} is non-negative. But $G(\tilde{A})$ is isomorphic to G_2 , so, by the preceding case, we can infer that \tilde{A} is completely positive if we can prove that det $\tilde{A} \geq 4W_{\tilde{A}}(5)$ (the vertex 5 is still a hat-vertex of $G(\tilde{A})$). Obviously $det\tilde{A} = det A$. Taking care of the fact that $G(\tilde{A})$ is obtained from G_2 by vertex permutation $(1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1)$, we get:

$$\begin{split} W_{\tilde{A}}(5) &= \tilde{a}_{12}\tilde{a}_{23}\tilde{a}_{34}\tilde{a}_{45}\tilde{a}_{51} - \tilde{a}_{12}\tilde{a}_{24}\tilde{a}_{45}\tilde{a}_{51}\tilde{a}_{33} \\ &= a_{12}(-\mu + a_{23})(-\mu a_{24} + a_{34})a_{45}a_{51} - a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}(\mu^2 - 2a_{23}\mu + 1) \\ &= a_{12}\left(-\frac{a_{13}}{a_{12}} + a_{23}\right)\left(-\frac{a_{13}}{a_{12}}a_{24} + a_{34}\right)a_{45}a_{51} \\ &\quad -a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}\left(\frac{a_{13}^2}{a_{12}^2} - 2a_{23}\frac{a_{13}}{a_{12}} + 1\right) \\ &= \frac{a_{13}^2}{a_{12}}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{23}a_{13}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} \\ &\quad -a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}\frac{a_{13}^2}{a_{12}} + 2a_{24}a_{45}a_{51}a_{23}a_{13} - a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} \end{split}$$

$$= a_{13}a_{32}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{12}a_{24}a_{45}a_{51} - a_{13}a_{34}a_{45}a_{51}$$

= $W_A(5)$.

Note that \tilde{a}_{33} cannot be omitted in the expression of $W_{\tilde{A}}(5)$ since it is not equal to 1, while $a_{33} = 1$ and $a_{22} = 1$ leads to their disappearance respectively from the last two terms in the expression of $W_A(5)$. We deduce that the hypothesis det $A \ge 4W_A(5)$ is equivalent to det $\tilde{A} \ge 4W_{\tilde{A}}(5)$, so \tilde{A} is completely positive by CASE $G(A) = G_2$, and A is also obviously completely positive.

Assume now that $\mu = a_{34}/a_{24}$. The same matrix \tilde{A} as above can be used, which in this case has $G(\tilde{A})$ exactly equal to G_2 , since $\tilde{a}_{34} = 0$. Also in this case, with similar calculation, one can prove that \tilde{A} is non-negative and that $W_{\tilde{A}}(5) = W_A(5)$, so the conclusion holds in a similar way as above.

It should be pointed out that, in case $G(A) \cong G_2$, condition det $A[1, 2|2, 3] \leq 0$ in Theorem 1.4(2) is equivalent to requiring $W_A(5) \leq 0$, since $W_A(5) = a_{34}a_{45}a_{51} \det A[1, 2|2, 3]$; so in that case condition (2) in Theorem 3.1 is automatically verified by any matrix $A \in \mathcal{DNN}_5$.

We now provide two examples of completely positive matrices to show that the necessary conditions in Theorems 1.4 and 1.5 are wrong. Recall that, given a square matrix A, the principal submatrix A_k denotes the $k \times k$ upper-left corner of A.

Example 3.2. Let us consider the non-negative matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 1/5 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/5 & 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since all the principal submatrices A_k $(1 \le k \le 5)$ have positive determinant, A is positive definite, hence it is doubly non-negative. Note that det A[1, 2|2, 3] = 1/4 - 1/5 = 1/20 > 0. Straightforward calculations give

$$4 \cdot W_A(5) = 1/40 < \det(A) = 3/25 < 4 \cdot A_{|5|} = 1/8$$

and, as shown in the proof of Theorem 3.1, $\det(A^-) = \frac{19}{200} = \det(A) - 4 \cdot W_A(5)$. The matrix A is completely positive, either by Barioli's Theorem 1.6, since A^- is positive definite, or by our Theorem 3.1.

Example 3.3. Let us consider the doubly non-negative matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 1/5 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 1/5 & 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 1/2 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that $a_{13}/a_{12} = 2/5 < a_{23} = 1/2$. Straightforward calculations give

$$4 \cdot W_A(5) = -13/120 < \det(A) = 119/1800 < 4 \cdot A_{|5|} = 19/120$$

The matrix A is completely positive, either by Barioli's Theorem 1.6, since A^- is positive definite, or by our Theorem 3.1.

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