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Abstract

We introduce here polyhedral cones and polytopes, associated with quasi-semi-metrics (oriented distances), in particular with oriented multi-cuts, on n points. We compute generators and facets of these polyhedra for small values of n and study their graphs.

1 Introduction

The notions of directed distances, quasi-metrics and oriented multi-cuts are generalization of the notions of distances, metrics and cuts, which are well-known and central objects in Graph Theory, Combinatorial Optimization and, more generally, Discrete Mathematics.

Define *quasi-semi-metric* on X as a function d from X^2 to R_+ , such that for all $x, y, z \in X$, $d(x, y) \geq 0$, $d(x, x) = 0$, $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$. If the first inequality is strict for $x \neq y$, d is called *quasi-metric*. If for all $x, y \in X$, $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$, d is called *semi-metric* and *metric*, respectively.

Given partition S_1, \dots, S_q ($q \geq 2$) of $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, quasi-semi-metric $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ is called *oriented multi-cut* quasi-semi-metric, if $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)(i, j) = 1$ for $i \in S_\alpha, j \in S_\beta$, $\alpha < \beta$, and $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)(i, j) = 0$, otherwise.

After short review of general quasi-semi-metrics we consider for small values of n the cone and the polytope of all quasi-semi-metrics on $X = \{1, \dots, n\}$ and the cone and the polytope, generated by all oriented multi-cuts on $X = \{1, \dots, n\}$. Using computer search we list facets and generators for these polyhedra and tables of their adjacencies and incidences. We study the 1-skeleton graphs and the ridge graphs of these polyhedra: the number of the nodes and the edges of these graphs, their diameters, conditions of adjacency, inclusions among these graphs and their restrictions on some orbits of nodes. Finally, we compare obtained results for oriented case with similar results for symmetric case (see [DeDe94], [DeDe95], [DDFu96], [DeLa97]). All computation was done using the programs *cdd* of [Fu95].

The following notation will be used below:

- *oriented triangle inequality* $T_{ij,k} : x_{ik} + x_{kj} - x_{ij} \geq 0$;
- *nonnegative inequality* $N_{ij} : x_{ij} \geq 0$;
- *cone of o-multi-cuts* $OMCUT_n$, generated by all nonzero o-multi-cuts on n points;
- *cone of quasi-semi-metrics* $QMET_n$, defined by all triangle and nonnegative inequalities on n points;
- *o-multi-cut polytope* $OMCUT_n^\square$, generated by all o-multi-cuts (i.e. including zero multi-cut) on n points;
- *quasi-semi-metric polytope* $QMET_n^\square$, defined by all triangle inequalities, all nonnegative inequalities and the inequalities $G_{ij} : x_{ij} + x_{ji} \leq 2$ on n points.

2 Quasi-semi-metrics and related polyhedra

For some set X a mapping $d : X \times X \longrightarrow R$ is called a *distance* on X , if d satisfies

$$1) \quad d(i, j) = d(j, i) \text{ for all } i, j \in X,$$

$$(2) \quad d(i, j) \geq 0 \text{ for all } i, j \in X,$$

$$(3) \quad d(i, i) = 0 \text{ for all } i \in X.$$

If d satisfies, in addition, the triangle inequalities:

$$(4) \quad d(i, j) \leq d(i, k) + d(k, j) \text{ for all } i, j, k \in X,$$

then d is called a *semi-metric* on X . Moreover, if

$$(5) \quad d(i, j) = 0 \text{ holds only for } i = j,$$

then d is called a *metric* on X . (For general theory of metrics see [Bl53] and [DeLa97].) If we exclude the symmetry condition (1), we obtain definitions of *oriented distance*, *quasi-semi-metric* and *quasi-metric*, respectively.

Easy to see, that (1) follows from (5), (2), (3) and (4'), where the last one is

$$(4') \quad d(i, j) \leq d(k, i) + d(k, j) \text{ for all } i, j, k \in X.$$

But while for symmetric case (4) and (3) imply (2), for oriented case (4') and (3) do not imply (2).

The notion of a semi-metric was first formalized in the classic paper by Frechet [Fr06]. The first detailed topological analysis of semi-metrics was given by Wilson [Wi31]. The triangle inequality was first formalized as the central property of distances in [Fr06] and later treated in Hausdorff [Ha14]. The notion of a metric space was formalized also in [Fr06], but the term “metric” was first proposed in [Ha14].

It was proved (see Proposition 8 in [LLR94]), that any quasi-metric on n points embeds isometrically into R^n equipped with some directed norm.

Quasi-metrics are used in the Semantics of Computation (see, for example, [Se97]) and are of interest in Computational Geometry (see, for example, [ACLM98]).

Consider now some examples of quasi-metrics.

Example 1. Let (X, D) be a finite metric space and let $X = X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_n$ be a decomposition of X into the union of pairwise disjoint sets. Then $d'(X_i, X_j) := \min_{x \in X_i} \max_{y \in X_j} D(x, y)$ (for $X_i \neq X_j$) is a quasi-metric on $Y := \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ (compare with Hausdorff-metric $d(X_i, X_j) = \max_{x \in X_i, y \in X_j} D(x, y)$ on Y).

Example 2. If X is the set R of all real numbers, the mapping

$$d'(x, y) = \begin{cases} x - y, & \text{if } y \leq x \leq y + 1, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is a quasi-metric on R (compare with ordinary metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$).

Example 3. For any anti-chain of sets $Z = \{x, y, z, \dots \mid x \not\subseteq y \text{ for all } x \neq y\}$, the function $|x \triangle y|$ is a semi-metric (not a metric), as $|x \triangle y| = |y \triangle x|$, $|x \triangle y| \geq 0$, $|x \triangle x| = 0$, $|x \triangle z| - |x \triangle y| - |y \triangle z| \leq -2(y \setminus (x \cup z)) - 2((x \cap z) \setminus y) \leq 0$ (here $x \triangle y := (x \setminus y) \cup (y \setminus x)$ is a symmetric difference of sets x and y).

On the other hand, $|x \setminus y| \geq 0$, $|x \setminus x| = 0$, $|x \setminus y| - |x \setminus z| - |z \setminus y| = -|(x \cap y) \setminus z| - |z \setminus (x \cup y)| \leq 0$ and the function $|x \setminus y|$ is a quasi-semi-metric (not a quasi-metric).

Example 4. A graph $G = (V, E)$ is called *connected*, if there is a $u - v$ path between any two its vertices u and v . The length of the shortest path from u to v in G is called *distance* $d_G(u, v)$ between vertices u and v . Clearly, the function d_G is a metric on V (path-metric of graph G).

A directed graph $D = (V', E')$ is called *connected*, if there are both $u - v$ and $v - u$ directed paths between any two vertices $u, v \in V'$. The length of the shortest directed path from u to v in D is called *directed distance* $d'_D(u, v)$ between vertices u and v . The function d'_D is a quasi-metric on V' (path-metric of directed graph D).

Example 5 (Circular railroad distance). Consider a circular railroad line, which moves only in a counter-clockwise direction around a circular track, represented by the unit circle $C_1 = \{x \in R^2 \mid d_e(0, x) = 1\}$ (see, for example, [Sm89]). Let the distance $d_c(x, y)$ be the length of counter-clockwise circular arc from x to y in C_1 . Easy to see, that d_c is not symmetric ($d_c(x, y) + d_c(y, x) = 2\pi$), but it always satisfies to (4) and is a quasi-metric.

Note, that examples 3 and 4 represent the much wider class of “one-way path” distances, which commonly occur in practice. For example, the presence of one-way streets in city produces exactly the same type of distances (such as shortest travel-time distance), which are triangular, but fail to be symmetric.

Set $V_n := \{1, \dots, n\}$, $E_n := |\{ij | i, j \in V_n, i \neq j\}|$, where ij denotes the unordered pair of the integers i, j , and $I_n := |\{\langle i, j \rangle | i, j \in V_n, i \neq j\}|$, where $\langle i, j \rangle$ denotes the ordered pair of the integers i, j . Let d be a semi-metric on the set V_n . Because of symmetry (1) and since $d(i, i) = 0$ for $i \in V_n$, we can view the semi-metric d as a vector $(d_{ij})_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \in R^{E_n}$, $E_n = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$. In the same way, we can view the quasi-semi-metric d' on the set V_n as a vector $(d'_{ij})_{i \neq j} \in R^{I_n}$, $I_n = n(n-1)$. Hence, a semi-metric (a quasi-semi-metric) on V_n can be viewed alternatively as a function on $V_n \times V_n$ or as a vector in R^{E_n} (in R^{I_n}). We will use both these representations. Moreover, we will use both symbols $d(i, j)$ ($d'(i, j)$) and d_{ij} (d'_{ij}) for denoting the semi-metric (quasi-semi-metric) between points i and j . Clearly, one can also view a semi-metric (a quasi-semi-metric) as a $n \times n$ matrix with $d_{ii} = 0$ on main diagonal (and with $d_{ij} = d_{ji}$ in the first case).

Denote by MET_n the cone of all semi-metrics on n points, and by $QMET_n$ the cone of all quasi-semi-metrics on n points. MET_n is a full-dimensional cone in R^{E_n} , defined by $\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2}$ triangle inequalities (4). $QMET_n$ is the full-dimensional cone in R^{I_n} , defined by $n(n-1)(n-2)$ triangle inequalities (4) and $n(n-1)$ inequalities (2). (In symmetric case, (2) follows from (4) and (3), see remark above.)

Note, that without condition (2) we have in the cone $QMET_n$ the subspace, defined by all mappings d^* : $d^*(i, j) = -d^*(j, i)$ and $d^*(i, j) + d^*(j, n) = d^*(i, n)$. The dimension of this subspace is $n(n-1) - ((\binom{n}{2}) + (\binom{n-1}{2})) = n-1$.

Denote by MET_n^\square the polytope of all semi-metrics on n points, defined by $\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2}$ triangle inequalities (4) and by $\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}$ inequalities

$$(4'') \quad d(i, j) + d(i, k) + d(j, k) \leq 2 \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X$$

(non-homogeneous triangle inequalities, see [DeLa97]).

Denote by $QMET_n^\square$ the polytope of all quasi-semi-metrics on n points, defined by $n(n-1)(n-2)$ triangle inequalities (4) and by $n(n-1)$ inequalities

$$(4''') \quad d'(i, j) + d'(j, i) \leq 2 \text{ for all } x, y \in X$$

(“oriented analogue” of non-homogeneous triangle inequalities, see section 5).

3 Oriented multi-cuts and related polyhedra

We start with the notion of cut semi-metric. Given a subset S of $V_n = \{1, \dots, n\}$, let $\delta(S)$ denote the vector in R^{E_n} , defined by $\delta(S)_{ij} = 1$, if $|S \cap \{i, j\}| = 1$, and $\delta(S)_{ij} = 0$, otherwise, for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$. Obviously, $\delta(S)$ defines a semi-metric on V_n , and for this reason $\delta(S)$ is called a *cut semi-metric* (or a *cut vector*, or simply a *cut*).

In the same way, given subset S of V_n , let $\delta'(S)$ denote the vector in R^{I_n} , defined by $\delta'(S)_{ij} = 1$, if $i \in S, j \notin S$, and $\delta'(S)_{ij} = 0$, otherwise, for $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$. $\delta'(S)$ defines quasi-semi-metric on V_n , called *oriented cut quasi-semi-metric* (or *o-cut vector*, or *o-cut*).

Consider now the notion of multi-cut semi-metric. Let $q \geq 2$ be an integer and let S_1, \dots, S_q be pairwise disjoint subsets of V_n , forming a partition of V_n . Then the *multi-cut semi-metric* $\delta(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ is the vector in R^{E_n} , defined by $\delta(S_1, \dots, S_q)_{ij} = 0$, if $i, j \in S_h$

for some h , $1 \leq h \leq q$, and $\delta(S_1, \dots, S_q)_{ij} = 1$, otherwise, for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$. In the same way, given a ordered partition S_1, \dots, S_q of V_n , let $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ denotes the vector in R^{I_n} , defined by $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)_{ij} = 1$, if $i \in S_\alpha, j \in S_\beta$, where $\alpha < \beta$, and $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)_{ij} = 0$, otherwise. $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ defines a quasi-semi-metric on V_n , which is called *oriented multi-cut quasi-semi-metric* (or *o-multi-cut vector*, or *o-multi-cut*). (This notion was considered, for example, in [ShLi95].)

Note, that the number of all oriented cuts on n points is 2^n , and the number of all oriented multi-cuts on n points is $p'(n)$, where $p'(n)$ is the number of all ordered partitions of n . In fact, $p'(n) = \frac{1}{2}A_n(2)$, where $A_n(x)$ is the Euler's polynomial

$$A_n(x) = \sum_{\pi \in S_n} x^{1+d(\pi)},$$

with $d(\pi) := |\{i \leq n | a_i > a_{i+1}\}|$ for a permutation

$$\pi := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

n	3	4	5	6	7
$p'(n)$	13	75	541	4683	41338

Table 1: The number of o-multi-cuts for small values of n

Note, that the notion of a cut semi-metric is connected with the notion of symmetric difference of sets, and the notion of o-cut quasi-semi-metric is connected with the notion of asymmetric difference. For example, cut $\delta(\{1\}) = (1, 1, 0)$ can be defined by symmetric difference of sets $\{1\}, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}$: $\delta'(\{1\}) = (|\{1\} \triangle \{\emptyset\}|, |\{1\} \triangle \{\emptyset\}|, |\{\emptyset\} \triangle \{\emptyset\}|)$, and o-cut $\delta'(\{1\}) = (1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ can be defined by asymmetric difference of sets $\{1\}, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}$:

$$\delta'(\{1\}) = (|\{1\} \setminus \{\emptyset\}|, |\{1\} \setminus \{\emptyset\}|, |\{\emptyset\} \setminus \{1\}|, |\{\emptyset\} \setminus \{\emptyset\}|, |\{\emptyset\} \setminus \{1\}|, |\{\emptyset\} \setminus \{\emptyset\}|).$$

The full-dimensional cone in R^{E_n} , which is generated by all non-zero cut semi-metrics $\delta(S)$ for $S \subseteq V_n$, is called the *cut cone* and denoted by CUT_n . The full-dimensional cone in R^{E_n} , which is generated by all non-zero multi-cut semi-metrics $\delta(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ on V_n , is called *the multi-cut cone* and denoted by $MCUT_n$. The polytope in R^{E_n} , which is defined as the convex hull of the all cut semi-metrics (multi-cut semi-metrics) on V_n , is called the *cut polytope* (*multi-cut polytope*) and is denoted by CUT_n^\square ($MCUT_n^\square$).

In the same way, denote by $OCUT_n$ ($OMCUT_n$) the full-dimensional cone in R^{I_n} , which is generated by all non-zero o-cut semi-metrics (o-multi-cut semi-metrics) on V_n . Denote by $OCUT_n^\square$ ($OMCUT_n^\square$) the polytope in R^{I_n} , which is the convex hull of all o-cut semi-metrics (o-multi-cut semi-metrics) on V_n .

For example, $OCUT_3$ is a 6-simplex cone in R^6 , generated by 6 oriented cuts $\delta'(\{1\}) = (1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$, $\delta'(\{2\}) = (0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0)$, $\delta'(\{3\}) = (0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$, $\delta'(\{1, 2\}) = (0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0)$, $\delta'(\{1, 3\}) = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1)$, $\delta'(\{2, 3\}) = (0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0)$.

4 Facets, extreme rays, vertices and their orbits in polyhedra

Let C be a polyhedral cone in R^n . Given $v \in R^n$, the inequality $v^T x \leq 0$ is said to be *valid* for C , if it holds for all $x \in C$. Then the set $\{x \in C | v^T x = 0\}$ is called the *face* of C , induced by the valid inequality $v^T x \leq 0$. A face of dimension $\dim(C) - 1$ is called a *facet* of C ; a face of dimension 1 is called an *extreme ray* of C . Let P be a polytope in R^n . Given $v \in R^n$ and $v_0 \in R$ the inequality $v^T x \leq v_0$ is said to be *valid* for P , if it holds for all $x \in P$. Then the set $\{x \in P | v^T x = v_0\}$ is called a *face* of P , *induced* by the inequality $v^T x \leq v_0$. A face of dimension $\dim(P) - 1$ is called a *facet* of P . A face of dimension 1 (or 0) is called an *edge* (or a *vertex*) of P .

Two vertices x, y of P are said to be *adjacent* on P , if the set $\{\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y | 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1\}$ is an edge of P . Two facets of P (or C) are said to be *adjacent* on P (or C), if their intersection has codimension 2.

The 1-*skeleton* graph of P (or C) is the graph G_P (or G_C) with node set being the set of vertices of P (or extreme rays of C) and with an edge between two nodes if they are adjacent on P (or C). The *ridge graph* of P (or C) is the graph G_P^* (or G_C^*) with node set being the set of facets of P (or C) and with an edge between two facets if they are adjacent on P (or C). So, the ridge graph of a polyhedron is 1-skeleton of its dual.

A mapping $f : R^n \rightarrow R^n$ is called a *symmetry* of P (or C), if it is an isometry, satisfying $f(P) = P$ (or $f(C) = C$). (An *isometry* of R^n is a linear mapping preserving the Euclidean distance.) Given face F , the *orbit* $\Omega(F)$ of F consists of all faces, that can be obtained from F by a symmetry.

Clearly, all the faces of CUT_n and CUT_n^\square are preserved by any permutation of the nodes. For a vector $v \in R^{E_n}$ and a cut vector $\delta(A)$ let $v^{\delta(A)}$ be defined by $v_{ij}^{\delta(A)} = -v_{ij}$, if $\delta(A)_{ij} = 1$ and $v_{ij}^{\delta(A)} = v_{ij}$, if $\delta(A)_{ij} = 0$. Consider the mapping $r_{\delta(A)} : R^{E_n} \rightarrow R^{E_n}$ defined by $r_{\delta(A)}(v) = v^{\delta(A)} + \delta(A)$. The mapping $r_{\delta(A)}$ is an affine bijection of the space R^{E_n} , called *switching* mapping. All the facets of CUT_n^\square are preserved under switching operation too (see [DeLa97]). (This is a consequence of the simple fact that the symmetric difference of two cuts is again a cut.) Moreover, it is shown in [DGL91] that for $n \neq 4$ switchings and permutations are the only symmetries of CUT_n and CUT_n^\square (for CUT_n , the switchings are only by *roots*, i.e. cuts, lying on given face). For $n = 4$ there are some additional symmetries. It is shown in [La96] that the semi-metric polytope MET_n^\square has the same group of symmetries as CUT_n^\square ; that is, $Is(MET_n^\square) = Is(CUT_n^\square)$.

In oriented case all orbits of faces of quasi-semi-metric polyhedra on V_n are preserved under any permutation of the set $V_n = \{1, \dots, n\}$, but the switching is not a symmetry of $OMCUT_n$ and $OMCUT_n^\square$, because the set of o-multi-cuts is not closed under the symmetric difference. But orbits of faces of $OMCUT_n$ are preserved under the so-called *reversal* operation. For an o-multi-cut $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ on V_n define the reversal of $\delta'(S_1, \dots, S_q)$ as the o-multi-cut $\delta'(S_q, \dots, S_1)$ (in symmetric case the reversal of a multi-cut is the same multi-cut). We conjecture that the symmetry group of $OMCUT_n$ and $OMCUT_n^\square$ consists only of permutations and reversals, i.e. it is the group $Z_2 \times Sym(n)$ of signed permutations, and the symmetry group of $QMET_n$ and $QMET_n^\square$ is $Sym(n)$.

5 Some connections between semi-metric and quasi-semi-metric polyhedra

As every cut $\delta(S)$ is a multi-cut $\delta(S_1, S_2)$, where $S_1 = S$ and $S_2 = \bar{S}$, and as every multi-cut is a semi-metric, we have

$$CUT_n \subseteq MCUT_n \subseteq MET_n \subseteq R_+^{E_n}.$$

In the same way, every oriented cut is a oriented multi-cut, every oriented multi-cut is a quasi-semi-metric; so, we have

$$OCUT_n \subseteq OMCUT_n \subseteq QMET_n \subseteq R_+^{I_n}.$$

It is easy to check, that $\delta(S_1, \dots, S_q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq q} \delta(S_i)$. So, $MCUT_n = CUT_n$. Similar property fails for oriented multi-cuts. For example, $\delta'(\{1, 2, 3\}) \notin OCUT_3$. So, $OCUT_n \subset OMCUT_n$ (strictly) for any $n \geq 3$.

Among facets of CUT_n^\square the most simple ones are the triangle facets, i.e. those defined by triangle inequalities (4) and (4''). Hence,

$$CUT_n^\square \subseteq MCUT_n^\square \subseteq MET_n^\square \subseteq [0, 1]^{E_n}.$$

Among facets of $OMCUT_n^\square$ the most simple ones are the triangle facets, induced by inequalities (4), and facets, induced by inequalities (4'''). Hence,

$$OCUT^\square \subseteq OMCUT_n^\square \subseteq QMET_n^\square \subseteq [0, 1]^{I_n}.$$

Compare now some semi-metric and quasi-semi-metric polyhedra on n points for small n . The triangle inequalities are sufficient for describing the cut polyhedra for $n \leq 4$, but $CUT_n \subset MET_n$ and $CUT_n^\square \subset MET_n^\square$ (strictly) for $n \geq 5$. The complete description of all the facets of the cut polyhedra CUT_n and CUT_n^\square is known for $n \leq 8$, the complete description of the semi-metric polyhedra MET_n and MET_n^\square is known for $n \leq 7$ (see, for example, the linear description of MET_7 in [Gr92]). Here the ‘‘combinatorial explosion’’ starts from $n = 8$ (for example, CUT_8 has 49604520 facets).

In oriented case, $OCUT_3 \subset QMET_3$ and $OCUT_3^\square \subset QMET_3^\square$, while $OMCUT_n = QMET_n$ and $OMCUT_n^\square = QMET_n^\square$ for $n = 3$ only. We computed all facets, extreme rays (vertices) and their adjacencies and incidences of $OMCUT_n$ ($OMCUT_n^\square$) and $QMET_n$ ($QMET_n^\square$) for $n = 3, 4$ only. In fact, the ‘‘combinatorial explosion’’ starts in oriented case from $n = 5$ (for instance, $QMET_5$ has 43590 extreme rays). The amount of computation and memory is much bigger in oriented case, because quasi-semi-metrics are not symmetric (so, the dimension of quasi-semi-metric polyhedra is doubled) and the o-multi-cuts do not lie in the cone of o-cuts.

6 The case of 3 points

We present here the complete linear description for case $n = 3$.

Clearly, $OCUT_3 \subset QMET_3$ strictly. But for $n = 3$ the triangle inequalities (4) with nonnegative inequalities (2) are sufficient in order to describe $OMCUT_3$.

There are 12 non-zero o-multi-cuts, including 6 o-cuts (see table 2 below) on V_3 , which form 2 orbits: the orbit O_1 of o-cuts and the orbit O_2 of other o-multi-cuts.

o-multi-cut	$(v_{12}, v_{13}, v_{21}, v_{23}, v_{31}, v_{32})$	orbit number
$\delta'(\{1\})$	$(1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{2\})$	$(0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{3\})$	$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{1, 2\})$	$(0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{1, 3\})$	$(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{2, 3\})$	$(0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0)$	O_1
$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\})$	$(1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0)$	O_2
$\delta'(\{1\}, \{3\}, \{2\})$	$(1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)$	O_2
$\delta'(\{2\}, \{1\}, \{3\})$	$(0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0)$	O_2
$\delta'(\{2\}, \{3\}, \{1\})$	$(0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0)$	O_2
$\delta'(\{3\}, \{1\}, \{2\})$	$(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$	O_2
$\delta'(\{3\}, \{2\}, \{1\})$	$(0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1)$	O_2

Table 2: Non-zero o-multi-cuts on 3 points

Note, that all o-cuts above can be obtained from $\delta'(\{1\})$ by a permutation ($\delta'(\{2\})$ and $\delta'(\{3\})$) or by a reversal and a permutation ($\delta'(\{1, 2\})$, $\delta'(\{1, 3\})$ and $\delta'(\{2, 3\})$); all o-multi-cuts above can be obtained from $\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\})$ by some permutation.

The only facet-defining inequalities of $OMCUT_3$ are the 6 triangle inequalities

$$T_{ij,k} : x_{ij} - x_{ik} - x_{jk} \leq 0$$

and 6 nonnegative inequalities

$$N_{ij} : x_{ij} \geq 0,$$

which form two orbits F_1 and F_2 , respectively. (A reversal coincides here with some permutation.)

Adjacencies of facets (extreme rays) of $OMCUT_3$ are shown in tables 3 and 4. For each orbit a representative and a number of adjacent ones from other orbits are given, as well as the total number of adjacent ones and the cardinality of orbits.

1-skeleton graph G_{OMCUT_3} has 12 nodes and $45 = \frac{1}{2}(9 \times 6 + 6 \times 6)$ edges. Figure 1 shows the complement \bar{G}_{OMCUT_3} of the graph G_{OMCUT_3} (here $a_1 := \delta'(\{2, 3\})$, $a_2 := \delta'(\{1, 3\})$,

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	3	5	8	6
F_2	N_{12}	5	2	7	6

Table 3: The adjacencies of facets in $OMCUT_3$

Orbit	Representative	O_1	O_2	Total adjacency	$ O_i $
O_1	$\delta'(\{1\})$	5	4	9	6
O_2	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\})$	4	2	6	6

Table 4: The adjacencies of extreme rays in $OMCUT_3$

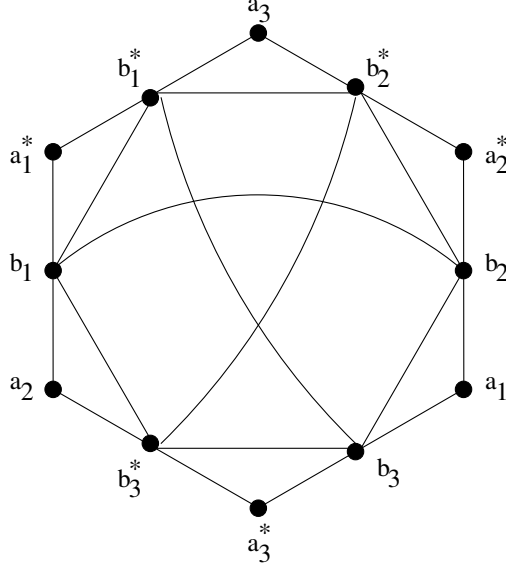


Figure 1: Graph \bar{G}_{OMCUT_3}

$a_3 := \delta'(\{1, 2\})$, $a_1^* := \delta'(\{1\})$, $a_2^* := \delta'(\{2\})$, $a_3^* := \delta'(\{3\})$, $b_1 := \delta'(\{2\}, \{3\}, \{1\})$, $b_2 := \delta'(\{1\}, \{3\}, \{2\})$, $b_3 := \delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\})$, $b_1^* := \delta'(\{3\}, \{2\}, \{1\})$, $b_2^* := \delta'(\{3\}, \{1\}, \{2\})$, $b_3^* := \delta'(\{2\}, \{1\}, \{3\})$.

As any two nodes of G_{OMCUT_3} have at least 3 common neighbors, we obtain

Proposition 1 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph G_{OMCUT_3} is 2.*

The graph $G_{OMCUT_3}^*$ has also 12 nodes and 45 edges. Figure 2 shows its complement. As any two nodes of $G_{OMCUT_3}^*$ have at least 3 common neighbors, we obtain

Proposition 2 *The diameter of ridge graph $G_{OMCUT_3}^*$ is 2.*

It is easy to see, that in $G_{OMCUT_3}^*$, a triangle facet is adjacent to some other facet if and only if they are non-conflicting. Two vectors from $\{0, 1, -1\}^n$ are said to be *conflicting* if there exists a pair ij such that the two vectors have nonzero coordinates of distinct signs at the position ij . More exactly, we obtain the following result.

Proposition 3 *For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_3}^*$ holds:*

- (i) *The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to a facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;*
- (ii) *The nonnegative facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to facets N_{im} , N_{kj} ($m \neq j$, $k \neq i$).*

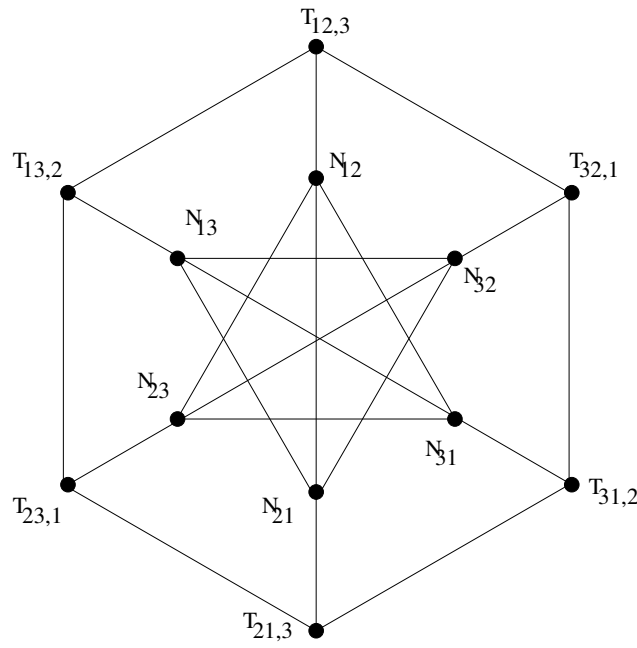


Figure 2: Graph $\bar{G}_{OMCUT_3}^*$

Orbit	O_1	O_2	Total incidence
F_1	4	3	7
F_2	4	3	7

Table 5: The incidences of facets and extreme rays in $OMCUT_3$

Incidences of facets and extreme rays for $OMCUT_3$ are shown in table 5. Namely, for each orbit F_i we give the number of extreme rays from orbits O_j , which belong to a representative of F_i and the total number of extreme rays, which belong to it. Note, that, in general, the table of incidences of extreme rays and facets can be obtained from the table of incidences of facets and extreme rays by formulae

$$(6) \quad F_{ij} \times |O_j| = O_{ji} \times |F_i|,$$

where $|O_j|$ and $|F_i|$ are the orbit sizes, F_{ij} is the number of elements from orbit O_j , which are incident to a representative of F_i , and O_{ji} is the number of elements from orbit F_i , to which is incident a representative from O_j .

Consider now polytope $OMCUT_3^\square$ – the convex hull of all 13 o-multi-cuts on V_3 .

This polytope has 13 vertices, which form 3 orbits (the orbit O_1 of o-cuts, the orbit O_2 of other o-multi-cuts and the new orbit O_1^p , consisting of only $\delta'(\emptyset)$). $OMCUT_3^\square$ has 15 facets: 6 facets of type $T_{ij,k}$ (orbit F_1), 6 facets of type N_{ij} (orbit F_2) and 3 new facets (orbit F_1^p), which are induced by inequalities

$$G_{ij} : x_{ij} + x_{ji} \leq 2.$$

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	F_1^p	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	3	5	1	9	6
F_2	N_{12}	5	2	3	10	6
F_1^p	G_{12}	2	6	2	10	3

Table 6: The adjacencies of facets in $OMCUT_3^\square$

Orbit	Representative	O_1	O_2	O_1^p	Total adjacency	$ O_i $
O_1	$\delta'(\{1\})$	5	4	1	10	6
O_2	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\})$	4	2	1	7	6
O_1^p	$\delta'(\emptyset)$	6	6	0	12	1

Table 7: The adjacencies of vertices in $OMCUT_3^\square$

As the cone $OMCUT_3$ coincides with the cone $QMET_3$, we define $QMET_3^\square$ by all inequalities of types $T_{ij,k}$ (triangle inequalities), N_{ij} (nonnegative inequalities) and G_{ij} (oriented analogue of non-homogeneous triangle inequalities). Hence, $OMCUT_3^\square = QMET_3^\square$.

Connections between facets and vertices of o-multi-cut polytope $OMCUT_3^\square$ are shown in tables 6 – 8, which are constructed in the same way as the tables 3 – 5.

$G_{OMCUT_3^\square}$ has 13 nodes and 57 edges. Figure 3 shows the complement of it. Here the points a_1, \dots, b_3^* are the same as in figure 1, and $a_0 := \delta'(\emptyset)$.

Since any two nodes of $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}$ have $\delta'(\emptyset)$ as a common neighbor, we obtain

Proposition 4 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}$ is 2.*

$G_{OMCUT_3^\square}^*$ has 15 nodes and 72 edges; figure 4 shows the complement of it.

As any two nodes of $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}^*$ have at least 3 common neighbors, we obtain

Proposition 5 *The diameter of ridge graph $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}^*$ is 2.*

It is easy to check the following

Proposition 6 *For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_3^\square}^*$ holds:*

- (i) *The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to a facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;*
- (ii) *The facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to N_{im}, N_{kj} ($m \neq j, k \neq i$) and to all G_{mk} ;*
- (iii) *The facet G_{ij} is adjacent also to all non-triangle facets.*

It turns out, that the 1-skeleton graph G_{OMCUT_3} and the ridge graph $G_{OMCUT_3}^*$ are induced subgraphs of $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}$ and $G_{OMCUT_3^\square}^*$, respectively.

Remind, that in symmetric case $CUT_3 = MET_3$ ($CUT_3^\square = MET_3^\square$) and, hence, the only facet-defining inequalities for CUT_3 and CUT_3^\square are the triangle inequalities, 3 inequalities (from one orbit, obtained by permutations) for CUT_3 and 4 inequalities (from one orbit, obtained by permutations and switchings) for CUT_3^\square .

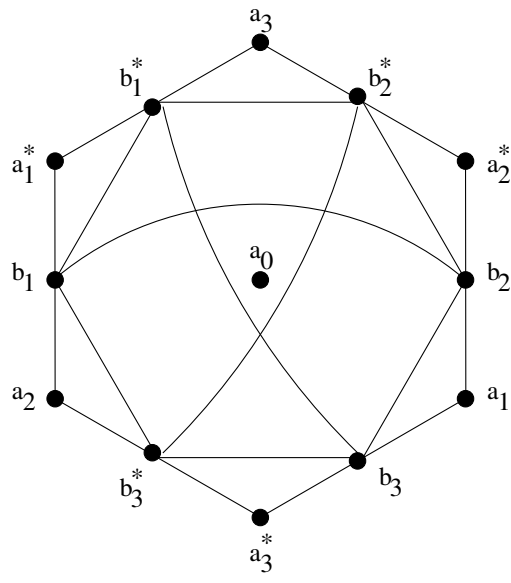


Figure 3: Graph $\bar{G}_{OMCUT_3^{\square}}$

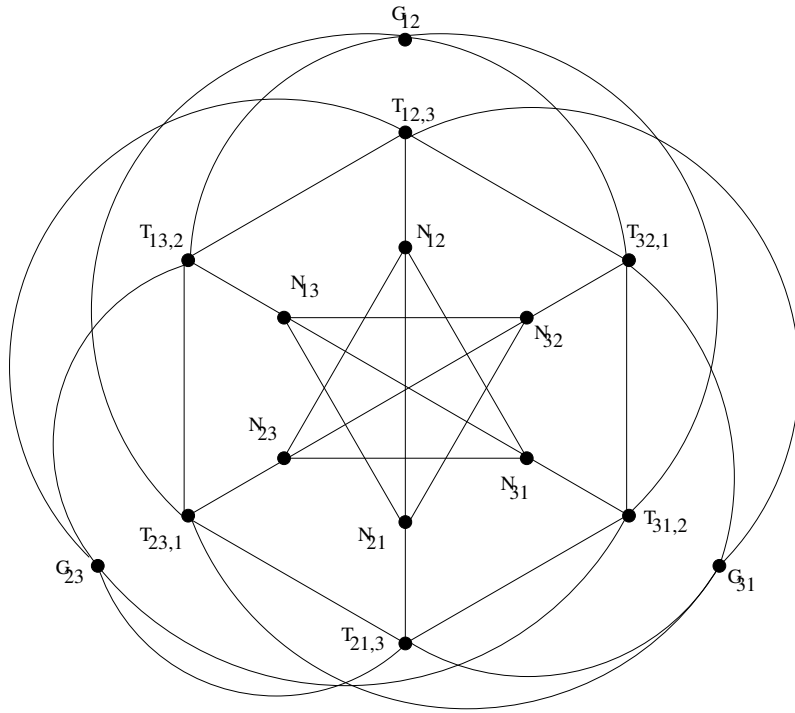


Figure 4: Graph $\bar{G}_{OMCUT_3^{\square}}^*$

Orbit	O_1	O_2	O_1^p	Total incidence
F_1	4	3	1	8
F_2	4	3	1	8
F_1^p	4	6	0	10

Table 8: The incidences of facets and vertices in $OMCUT_3^\square$

7 The case of 4 points

We present here the complete linear description of $OMCUT_4$, $QMET_4$, $OMCUT_4^\square$ and $QMET_4^\square$.

$OMCUT_4$ has 74 extreme rays (all non-zero o-multi-cuts on V_4), which form 5 orbits with representatives $\delta'(\{1\})$ (orbit O_1), $\delta'(\{1, 2\})$ (orbit O_2), $\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\})$ (orbit O_3), $\delta'(\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\})$ (orbit O_4) and $\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$ (orbit O_5). $OMCUT_4$ has 72 facets from 4 orbits, which are induced by 24 triangle inequalities (orbit F_1)

$$T_{ij,k} : x_{ij} - x_{ik} - x_{kj} \leq 0,$$

12 nonnegative inequalities (orbit F_2)

$$N_{ij} : x_{ij} \geq 0,$$

12 inequalities (orbit F_3)

$$L_{i,j,k,m} : x_{ij} + x_{ji} + x_{km} \leq x_{im} + x_{jm} + x_{ki} + x_{kj}$$

and 24 inequalities (orbit F_4)

$$Q_{i,j,k,m} : x_{ij} + x_{ji} + x_{km} \leq x_{ik} + x_{im} + x_{jk} + x_{jm} + x_{ki} + x_{kj},$$

$$Q_{i,j,k,m}^r : x_{ij} + x_{ji} + x_{mk} \leq x_{ik} + x_{jk} + x_{ki} + x_{kj} + x_{mi} + x_{mj}.$$

Note, that for orbits F_1 , F_2 , F_3 , but not for F_4 , the reversal operation coincides with some permutation; the reversal of $Q_{i,j,k,m}$ is $Q_{i,j,k,m}^r$.

Tables 9 – 11 show connections between the facets and the extreme rays of $OMCUT_4$.

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	F_3	F_4	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	17	11	5	8	41	24
F_2	N_{12}	22	6	12	8	48	12
F_3	$L_{1,2,3,4}$	10	12	0	2	24	12
F_4	$Q_{1,2,3,4}$	8	4	1	3	16	24

Table 9: The adjacencies of facets in $OMCUT_4$

The 1-skeleton graph G_{OMCUT_4} of $OMCUT_4$ has 74 nodes and 1479 edges. As 14 o-cuts (orbits O_1 and O_2 together) form a dominating clique, we obtain

Orbit	Representative	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	Total adjacency	$ O_i $
O_1	$\delta'\{1\}$	7	6	21	9	18	61	8
O_2	$\delta'(\{1, 2\})$	8	5	20	12	8	53	6
O_3	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\})$	7	5	15	7	10	44	24
O_4	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\})$	6	6	14	6	8	40	12
O_5	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	6	2	10	4	12	34	24

Table 10: The adjacencies of extreme rays in $OMCUT_4$

Orbit	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	Total incidence
F_1	6	4	14	7	12	43
F_2	6	4	14	7	12	43
F_3	4	4	8	4	8	28
F_4	3	4	4	4	2	17

Table 11: The incidences of facets and extreme rays in $OMCUT_4$

Proposition 7 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph G_{OMCUT_4} is 2 or 3.*

The ridge graph $G_{OMCUT_4}^*$ has 72 nodes and 1404 edges.

The quasi-semi-metric cone $QMET_4$ has 36 facets, distributed in two orbits: 24 triangle facets (orbit F_1) and 12 nonnegative facets (orbit F_2). There are 164 extreme rays in $QMET_4$, which form 10 orbits: orbits $O_1 - O_5$ with the same representatives as in $OMCUT_4$ and 5 other orbits with representatives

$$v_6(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \text{ (orbit } O_6),$$

$$v_7(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1) \text{ (orbit } O_7),$$

$$v_8(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0) \text{ (orbit } O_8),$$

$$v_9(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1) \text{ (orbit } O_9),$$

$$v_{10}(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1) \text{ (orbit } O_{10}).$$

The adjacencies and incidences of the facets and extreme rays of $QMET_4$ are given in tables 12 – 14.

1-skeleton graph G_{QMET_4} has 164 nodes and 2647 edges. As 14 o-cuts (orbits O_1 and O_2 together) form a dominating clique, we obtain

Proposition 8 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph G_{QMET_4} is 2 or 3.*

The ridge graph $G_{QMET_4}^*$ has 36 nodes and 504 edges. It is easy to check

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	17	11	28	24
F_2	N_{12}	22	6	28	12

Table 12: The adjacencies of facets in $QMET_4$

Or.	Representative	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O_6	O_7	O_8	O_9	O_{10}	Ad.	$ O_i $
O_1	$\delta'(\{1\})$	7	6	21	9	18	6	9	6	3	6	91	8
O_2	$\delta'(\{1, 2\})$	8	5	20	12	8	12	16	4	4	8	97	6
O_3	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\})$	7	5	7	5	10	2	0	4	4	2	46	24
O_4	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\})$	6	6	10	2	8	0	2	4	4	4	46	12
O_5	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	6	2	10	4	3	1	0	4	2	1	33	24
O_6	$v_6(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	2	3	4	2	4	1	0	0	2	0	18	24
O_7	$v_7(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	4	3	4	2	2	1	1	2	0	2	21	24
O_8	$v_8(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	4	2	0	4	2	0	0	2	2	0	16	12
O_9	$v_9(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	4	21	6
O_{10}	$v_{10}(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	2	2	2	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	12	24

Table 13: The adjacencies of extreme rays in $QMET_4$

Orbit	F_1	F_2	Total incidence
O_1	18	9	27
O_2	16	8	24
O_3	14	7	21
O_4	14	7	21
O_5	12	6	18
O_6	10	6	16
O_7	10	5	15
O_8	10	5	15
O_9	8	4	12
O_{10}	8	4	12

Table 14: The incidences of extreme rays and facets in $QMET_4$

Proposition 9 *For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_4}^*$ holds:*

- (i) *The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to a facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;*
- (ii) *The nonnegative facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to facets N_{im}, N_{kj}, N_{km} ($m \neq j, k \neq i$).*

Note, that in $QMET_4$ the adjacencies of facets $T_{ij,k}$ and N_{ij} are the same as in $OMCUT_4$ (see tables 9 and 12); hence, $G_{QMET_4}^*$ is an induced subgraph of $G_{OMCUT_4}^*$. But the adjacencies of o-multi-cuts from orbits O_3, O_4 and O_5 are decreased in the cone $QMET_4$ (see tables 10 and 13); hence, G_{OMCUT_4} is not an induced subgraph of G_{QMET_4} .

Consider now $OMCUT_4^\square$ – the convex hull of all 75 o-multi-cuts on V_4 (with $\delta'(\emptyset)$). It has 75 vertices, which belong to 6 orbits (orbits $O_1 - O_5$ with the same representatives as in $OMCUT_4$ and new orbit O_1^p , which has only $\delta'(\emptyset)$). $OMCUT_4^\square$ has 106 facets from 7 orbits: 72 facets from the orbits $F_1 - F_4$, induced by the inequalities of the types $T_{ij,k}, N_{ij}, L_{i,j,k,m}$ and $Q_{i,j,k,m}$, respectively, 6 facets (orbit F_1^p), induced by inequalities

$$G_{ij} : x_{ij} + x_{ji} \leq 2,$$

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	F_3	F_4	F_1^p	F_2^p	F_3^p	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	17	11	5	8	4	1	4	50	24
F_2	N_{12}	22	6	12	8	6	4	8	66	12
F_3	$L_{1,2,3,4}$	10	12	0	2	1	0	0	25	12
F_4	$Q_{1,2,3,4}$	8	4	1	3	4	0	1	21	24
F_1^p	G_{12}	16	12	2	6	5	2	12	65	6
F_2^p	$M_{1,2,3,4}$	6	12	0	0	3	0	6	27	4
F_3^p	$R_{1,2,3,4}$	4	4	0	1	3	1	0	13	24

Table 15: The adjacencies of facets in $OMCUT_4^\square$

Orbit	Representative	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O_1^p	Total adjacency	$ O_i $
O_1	$\delta'(\{1\})$	7	6	21	9	18	1	62	8
O_2	$\delta'(\{1, 2\})$	8	5	20	12	8	1	54	6
O_3	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\})$	7	5	16	8	10	1	47	24
O_4	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\})$	6	6	16	6	10	1	45	12
O_5	$\delta'(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\})$	6	2	10	5	12	1	36	24
O_1^p	$\delta'(\emptyset)$	8	6	24	12	24	0	74	1

Table 16: The adjacencies of vertices in $OMCUT_4^\square$

4 facets (orbit F_2^p), induced by inequalities

$$M_{i,j,k,m} : x_{ik} + x_{im} + x_{ki} + x_{km} + x_{mi} + x_{mk} - x_{ij} - x_{ji} - x_{jk} - x_{jm} - x_{kj} - x_{mj} \leq 1,$$

and 24 facets (orbit F_3^p), induced by inequalities

$$R_{i,j,k,m} : x_{jk} + x_{jm} + x_{km} + x_{mk} - x_{ik} - x_{im} - x_{ji} - x_{ki} - x_{mi} \leq 1.$$

Tables 15 – 17 give connections between the facets and the vertices of this polytope.

1-skeleton graph $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}$ has 75 nodes and 1604 edges. As $\delta'(\emptyset)$ is adjacent to all other vertices, we obtain

Proposition 10 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}$ is 2.*

The ridge graph of $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}^*$ has 72 nodes and 1683 edges.

It turns out, that $G_{OMCUT_4}^*$ is an induced subgraph of $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}^*$ (see tables 9 and 15), and $G_{QMET_4}^*$ is the induced subgraph of $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}^*$ (see tables 12 and 18), but G_{OMCUT_4} is not an induced subgraph of $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}$ (see tables 10 and 16).

Similarly to $QMET_3^\square$, we define $QMET_4^\square$ by the inequalities of the types $T_{ij,k}$, N_{ij} and G_{ij} . Hence, this polytope has 42 facets from 3 orbits: 24 triangle facets (orbit F_1), 12 nonnegative facets (orbit F_2) and 6 facets, induced by inequalities G_{ij} (orbit F_3). $QMET_4^\square$ has 221 vertices, which belong to 14 orbits: 10 orbits $O_1 - O_{10}$ with the same representatives as in $QMET_4$, orbit O_1^p (see $OMCUT_4^\square$) and 3 new orbits $O_2^p - O_4^p$

Orbit	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O_1^p	Total incidence
F_1	6	4	14	7	12	1	34
F_2	6	4	14	7	12	1	34
F_3	4	4	8	4	8	1	29
F_4	3	4	4	4	2	1	18
F_1^p	4	2	4	2	0	1	13
F_2^p	6	0	12	6	0	0	24
F_3^p	1	0	8	1	3	0	13

Table 17: The incidences of facets and extreme rays in $OMCUT_4^\square$

Orbit	Representative	F_1	F_2	F_1^p	Total adjacency	$ F_i $
F_1	$T_{12,3}$	17	11	4	32	24
F_2	N_{12}	22	6	6	34	12
F_1^p	G_{12}	16	12	5	33	6

Table 18: The adjacencies of facets in $QMET_4^\square$

with the representatives $v_2^p(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1)$ (orbit O_2^p), $v_3^p(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)$ (orbit O_3^p) and $v_4^p(\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}) = (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1)$ (orbit O_4^p). The connections of the facets and the vertices of $QMET_4^\square$ are given in tables 18 – 20.

1-skeleton graph $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ has 221 nodes and 3534 edges. As orbits O_1 and O_2 together form a dominating clique, we obtain

Proposition 11 *The diameter of 1-skeleton graph $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ is 2 or 3.*

The ridge graph $G_{QMET_4^\square}^*$ has 80 nodes and 686 edges. It is easy to check following

Proposition 12 *For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_4^\square}^*$ holds:*

- (i) *The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to a facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;*
- (ii) *The facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to N_{im} , N_{kj} , N_{km} ($m \neq j$, $k \neq i$) and to all G_{mk} ;*
- (iii) *The facet G_{ij} is adjacent also to all non-triangle facets.*

Figures 5 and 6 show some subgraphs of $G_{QMET_4^\square}$. The restriction of $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ on the union of orbits O_1 and O_4^p consists of two disjoint cube graphs; see figure 6: here the black (or white) points are the elements from O_1 (or O_4^p).

Note, that in $QMET_4^\square$ the adjacencies of facets $T_{ij,k}$ and N_{ij} are the same as in $QMET_4$ (see tables 12 and 18) and the ridge graph $G_{QMET_4}^*$ is an induced subgraph of $G_{QMET_4^\square}^*$. Similarly (see tables 15 and 18), the graph $G_{QMET_4^\square}^*$ is an induced subgraph of $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}^*$. $G_{OMCUT_4^\square}$ is the induced subgraph of $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ (see tables 16 and 19), but G_{OMCUT_4} is not an induced subgraph of $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ (see tables 10 and 19).

Remind, that in symmetric case $CUT_4 = MET_4$ and $CUT_4^\square = MET_4^\square$. The only facet-defining inequalities for CUT_4 and CUT_4^\square are the triangle inequalities, 12 inequalities

Or.	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O_6	O_7	O_8	O_9	O_{10}	O_1^p	O_2^p	O_3^p	O_4^p	Ad.	$ O_i $
O_1	7	6	21	9	18	6	6	6	3	6	1	9	9	3	110	8
O_2	8	5	20	12	8	12	16	4	4	8	1	0	0	0	98	6
O_3	7	5	16	8	10	4	4	2	0	2	1	4	6	2	71	24
O_4	6	6	16	6	10	4	4	0	2	6	1	4	4	0	69	12
O_5	6	2	10	5	12	4	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	46	24
O_6	2	3	4	2	4	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	19	24
O_7	2	4	4	2	2	2	0	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	22	24
O_8	4	2	4	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	17	12
O_9	4	4	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	21	6
O_{10}	2	2	2	3	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	16	24
O_1^p	8	6	24	12	24	24	24	12	6	24	0	0	0	0	164	1
O_2^p	3	0	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	15	24
O_3^p	3	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	15	24
O_4^p	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	12	8

Table 19: The adjacencies of vertices in $QMET_4^\square$

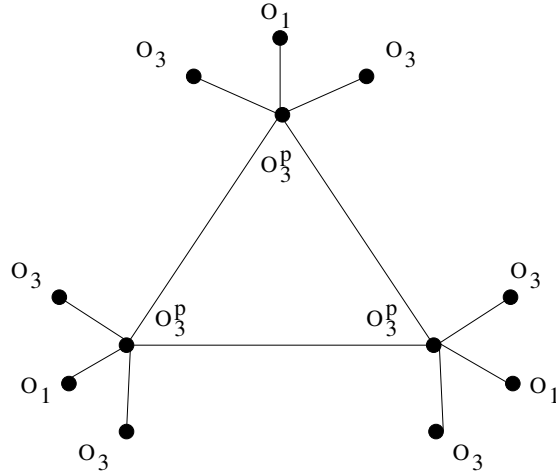


Figure 5: The complement of the graph of neighbors for a representative of O_4^p

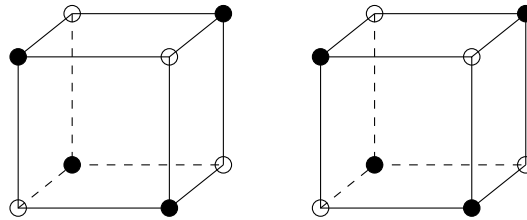


Figure 6: The restriction of $G_{QMET_4^\square}$ on $O_1 \cup O_4^p$

Orbit	F_1	F_2	F_1^p	Total incidence
O_1	18	9	3	30
O_2	16	8	4	28
O_3	14	7	5	26
O_4	14	7	5	26
O_5	12	6	6	24
O_6	10	6	1	17
O_7	10	5	1	16
O_8	10	5	1	16
O_9	8	4	2	14
O_{10}	8	4	3	15
O_1^p	24	12	0	36
O_2^p	6	4	4	14
O_3^p	6	5	3	14
O_4^p	6	3	3	12

Table 20: The incidences of vertices and facets in $QMET_4^\square$

(from one orbit, obtained by permutations) for CUT_4 and 16 inequalities (from one orbit, obtained by permutations and switchings) for CUT_4^\square .

8 The case of 5 points

Clearly, $OMCUT_5 \subset QMET_5$, $OMCUT_5^\square \subset QMET_5^\square$. $QMET_5$ has 80 facets from two orbits (60 triangle facets and 20 nonnegative facets) and 43590 extreme rays from more than 58 orbits. For instance, together with 540 o-multi-cuts (10 orbits), there are orbits with the representatives $(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ (the adjacency 404, the incidence 41), $(0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)$ (the adjacency 58, the incidence 30), \dots , $(0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$ (the adjacency 20, the incidence 20). $OMCUT_5$ has 540 generators (all non-zero o-multi-cuts on V_5), which form 10 orbits, and more than 95 orbits of facets. $OMCUT_5^\square$ has 541 vertices (11 orbits) and more than 128 orbits of facets. $QMET_5^\square$ has 100 facets (3 orbits) and more than 113 orbits of extreme rays. We did not obtain the list of all facets of $OMCUT_5^\square$ and all vertices of $QMET_5^\square$, because of computer memory limitations.

Remind, that for symmetric case $CUT_5 \subset MET_5$ and $CUT_5^\square \subset MET_5^\square$. CUT_5 has 40 facets from 2 orbits, CUT_5^\square has 56 facets from 2 orbits. The extreme rays of MET_5 and the vertices of MET_5^\square are also known; namely, besides the cut vectors, all of them arise by a switching of the vector $(2/3, \dots, 2/3)$. So, MET_5 has 25 extreme rays from 2 orbits, MET_5^\square has 32 vertices from 2 orbits.

The complete linear description of the semi-metric polyhedra is known for $n \leq 7$. The cut cone CUT_6 (respectively, CUT_6^\square) has 210 facets from 3 orbits (respectively, 368 facets from 3 orbits); CUT_7 (respectively, CUT_7^\square) has 38780 facets from 11 orbits (respectively,

116764 facets from 11 orbits); CUT_8 (respectively, CUT_8^\square) has 49604520 facets from 147 orbits (respectively, 217093472 facets from 147 orbits) (see [ChRe96]). The semi-metric cone MET_6 (respectively, MET_6^\square) has 296 extreme rays from 3 orbits (respectively, 544 vertices from 3 orbits); MET_7 (respectively, MET_7^\square) has 55226 extreme rays from 13 orbits (respectively, 275840 vertices from 13 orbits).

9 Conjectures for general n

The conjectures about the graphs of quasi-semi-metric polyhedra on n points, proposed below, have been verified for $n \leq 4$.

Conjecture 1. The ridge graphs $G_{QMET_n}^*$ and $G_{QMET_n^\square}^*$ are induced subgraphs of $G_{OMCUT_n}^*$ and $G_{OMCUT_n^\square}^*$, respectively.

Conjecture 2. For $OMCUT_n$, $QMET_n$, $OMCUT_n^\square$ and $QMET_n^\square$ holds:

- every o-cut is adjacent to all other o-cuts;
- every extreme ray (vertex) is adjacent to some o-cut;
- the diameter of 1-skeleton graph is equal to 2 or 3.

Conjecture 3. For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_n}^*$ holds:

- (i) The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to a facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;
- (ii) The nonnegative facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to facets N_{im} , N_{kj} , N_{km} ($m \neq j$, $k \neq i$).

Conjecture 4. For the ridge graph $G_{QMET_n^\square}^*$ holds:

- (i) The triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ is adjacent to some facet if and only if they are non-conflicting;
- (ii) The facet N_{ij} is adjacent also to N_{im} , N_{kj} , N_{km} ($m \neq j$, $k \neq i$) and to all G_{mk} ;
- (iii) The facet G_{ij} is adjacent also to all non-triangle facets.

If we take a triangle facet $T_{ij,k}$ in $QMET_n^\square$, then the “conflicting” graph (the graph of “non-neighbors”) of $T_{ij,k}$ has $4(n-2)+1$ nodes (facets N_{ij} , G_{jk} , G_{ik} , $T_{ik,j}$, $T_{kj,i}$, $T_{il,j}$, $T_{ik,l}$, $T_{li,j}$, $T_{kj,l}$, where $l \neq i, j, k$) and $2(n-2)$ edges (between facets G_{jk} and $T_{ik,j}$; G_{ik} and $T_{kj,i}$, $T_{il,j}$ and $T_{ik,l}$; $T_{li,j}$ and $T_{kj,l}$). So, it is the graph $2(n-2)K_2 + K_1$.

Remind, that in symmetric case all triangle inequalities are facet-inducing in CUT_n and in CUT_n^\square for any $n \geq 3$; the cut vectors form a single switching class, which is a clique in the 1-skeleton graph of MET_n^\square (on the other hand, it is shown in Laurent [La96] that every other switching class is a stable set in the 1-skeleton graph of MET_n^\square , that is, no two non-integral switching equivalent vertices of MET_n^\square form an edge on MET_n^\square); two triangle inequalities are adjacent in the ridge graph of MET_n^\square if and only if they are non-conflicting (see [DeDe94]).

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