# Adjacency matrices of complex unit gain graphs 

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- Adjacency matrices of graphs
- Perron-Frobenius theorem
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## Adjacency matrix

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The adjacency matrix of a graph $G$ with $n$ vertices, $V(G)=\left\{v_{1}, \ldots v_{n}\right\}$ is a $n \times n$ matrix, denoted by $A(G)=\left(a_{i j}\right)$, and is defined by

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Working definition: $A$ is irreducible if and only if $G(A)$ is strongly connected.

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- Assign a weight (gain) $g \in \mathfrak{G}$ for each directed edge $e_{j k} \in \overrightarrow{E(G)}$, such that the weight of $e_{k j}$ is $g^{-1}$. Let us denote this assignment by $\varphi$.


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## Converse

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