

NETWORKS AND COMPLEXITY

Solution 21-1

*This is an example solution from the forthcoming book *Networks and Complexity*.*

Find more exercises at <https://github.com/NC-Book/NCB>

Ex 21.1: Adjacency and Laplacian [1]

Construct the adjacency and Laplacian matrices for a three node chain (o-o-o) and a 4-cycle (a ring of four nodes).

Solution

$$A_{\text{o-o-o}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$A_{4\text{-cycle}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$L_{\text{o-o-o}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$L_{4\text{-cycle}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$