

1. $D_{in} = D_{out} = k \mathbb{1}_n$ for all vertices } Given
 $A = A^T$ as G is undirected

a) Let $\mathbb{1}_n$ be an eigenvector of A

$$A \mathbb{1}_n = \lambda \mathbb{1}_n$$

we know $A \mathbb{1}_n = D_{out}$

$$\therefore D_{out} = \lambda \mathbb{1}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow k \mathbb{1}_n = \lambda \mathbb{1}_n, \text{ since } D_{out} = k \mathbb{1}_n \text{ is given}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = k, \therefore \mathbb{1}_n \text{ is an eigenvector of } A \text{ as a } \lambda \text{ exist.}$$

b) for a symmetric matrix eigenvectors are orthogonal.

We already know $\mathbb{1}_n$ is an eigenvector of A .

Let's say v is an eigenvector of A other than $\mathbb{1}_n$

$$\text{then } v \cdot \mathbb{1}_n = 0, \quad v = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n]$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n = 0 \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

elements of V are v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n

from (1) we can infer that

all the elements of V cannot be strictly positive as the summation of all positive numbers result in a positive value, ~~so~~ but our result is 0, hence proved.

c) now $(Ax) = k \cdot x$ because k edges are contributing towards the vector multiplication of A and x , Hence k is the leading eigenvalue.

We set: $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = x$ and $c=1$
and α as the attenuating factor

we can write

$$x = \alpha k x + 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha k}$$

∴ The Katz Centrality increases as k increases,
All nodes have equal Centrality (both eigenvector and Katz) due to symmetry.

$$2. \quad \alpha =]0, 1[\rightarrow 0 < \alpha < 1$$

$$x_1(k+1) = x_1(k)$$

$$x_2(k+1) = \alpha x_1(k) + (1-\alpha) x_2(k)$$

$$a) \quad x(k+1) = A \cdot x(k)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k+1) \\ x_2(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \mathbb{1}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbb{1}_n$$

$\therefore A$ is row-stochastic

$$b) \quad |A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right| = 0$$

$$(1-\lambda)(1-\alpha-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 1, 1-\alpha$$

eigen-values are 1 & $1-\alpha$

eigen vector for $\lambda = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = x_1, \alpha x_1 + (1-\alpha)x_2 = x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha x_1 = \alpha x_2$$

$$x_1 = x_2$$

$$\text{eigen vector} = [x_1, x_1] \Rightarrow [1, 1]$$

eigen vector for $\lambda = 1-\alpha$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = (1-\alpha) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

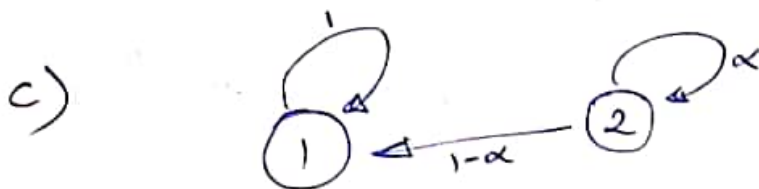
$$x_1 = (1-\alpha)x_1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

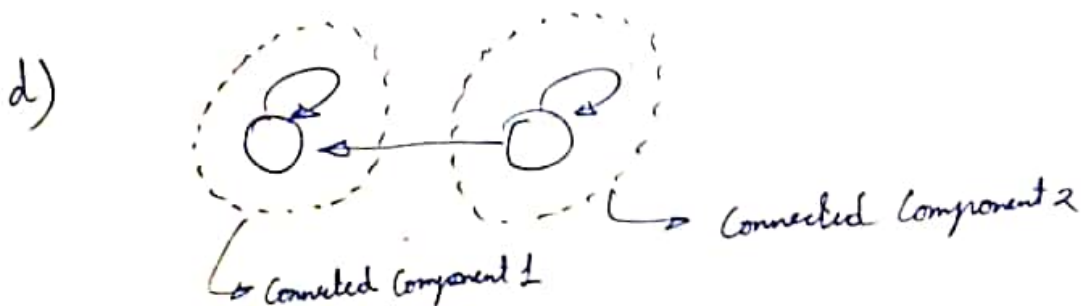
$$\alpha x_1 + x_2 - \alpha x_2 = x_2 - \alpha x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = x_2$$

$$\text{eigen vector} = [0, x_2] \Rightarrow [0, 1]$$



The graph is not strongly connected



2. c)

$$x_1(k+1) = x_1(k)$$

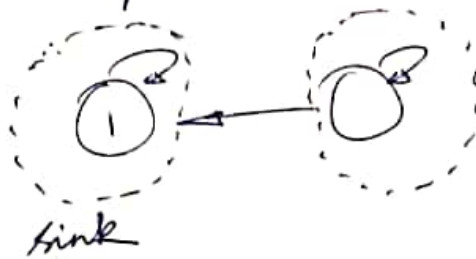
$$x_2(k+1) = \alpha x_1(k) + (1-\alpha)x_2(k)$$



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

row-stochastic matrix

Condensed Graph



Using theorem 5.1

Consensus of row-stochastic matrices with a globally-reachable aperiodic strongly-connected component

then $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \mathbf{1} \omega^T$

where ω is the left dominant eigenvector of A

$$\omega^T A = \lambda \omega^T$$

$$\omega^T [A - \lambda I] = 0 \Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-\lambda)(1-\alpha-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = 1, 1-\alpha}$$

1 is greater than $1-\alpha$ as $\alpha < 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b\alpha & b(1-\alpha) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a+b\alpha = a \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$b(1-\alpha) = b \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow b = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow a+0 = a \Rightarrow a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k \cdot x(0)$$

$$= a \cdot x_1(0) + 0 \cdot x_2(0)$$

$$= a \cdot x_1(0)$$

~~$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = a \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$~~

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = a \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}, \text{ let } a \text{ be } 1$$

without using theorem 5.1

$$x_2(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \alpha x_1(0) + (1-\alpha)x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x(2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha & 1-\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \alpha x_1(0) + (1-\alpha)x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ (\alpha + (1-\alpha)\alpha)x_1(0) + (1-\alpha)^2 x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \alpha [1 + (1-\alpha) + (1-\alpha)^2 + \dots] x_1(0) + (1-\alpha)^k x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

2nd term

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1-\alpha)^k = 0 \quad \text{as } \boxed{0 < 1-\alpha < 1}$$

1st term

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha [1 + (1-\alpha) + (1-\alpha)^2 + \dots] = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{1-(1-\alpha)}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha} = 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_1(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

3. $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$

$\sum_j a_{ij} = 1 \rightarrow$ row-stochastic

a) same weightage to every node's opinion

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} \\ \frac{1}{n} & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ \frac{1}{n} & \dots & & \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

every entry is $\frac{1}{n}$ as we need to satisfy

$$\sum_j a_{ij} = 1$$

b) k^{th} \rightarrow weights are equal

others $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ for their opinion, $\frac{1}{2}$ for k^{th} opinion

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

c) 1^{st} node \rightarrow only values it's own opinion

others $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ for their opinion,

$\frac{1}{2}$ for the 1^{st} node's opinion

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

3. d)
last part

Primitve \rightarrow Theorem 4.1
strongly connected, aperiodic

Theorem 2.12

$\lambda = 1$ is simple and strictly dominant
for primitive row-stochastic matrix

case (a) :

- ① every node is connected to every other node by definition, with self loops.
- ② due to self loops, our graph is aperiodic
- ③ our graph is strongly connected

$\therefore \lambda = 1$ is dominant

$$\begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 & \omega_2 & \dots & \omega_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 & \omega_2 & \dots & \omega_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n}{n} & \frac{\omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n}{n} & \dots & \frac{\omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n}{n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 & \omega_2 & \dots & \omega_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \omega_1 = \omega_2 = \dots = \omega_n = 1$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \mathbf{1} \mathbf{w}^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

Case (b):

~~k^{th} node is the sink~~

- ① we can go to any node from k^{th} node ~~and~~
- ② from any node we can go to k^{th} node
- ③ all nodes have self loops

①, ②, ③ are from definition

③ proves aperiodicity

① & ② proves strongly connected

$\therefore \lambda = 1$ is dominant

$$[\omega_1 \ \omega_2 \ \dots \ \omega_n] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \dots & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & -\frac{1}{2} & \dots & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 & \omega_2 & \dots & \omega_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

all nodes except k^{th} node

$$\frac{1}{2} \omega_i + \omega_k \cdot \frac{1}{n} = \omega_i$$

$$\frac{\omega_k}{n} = \frac{\omega_i}{2} \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

k^{th} ~~node~~ column

$$\frac{\omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n}{2} + \frac{\omega_k}{n} = \omega_k \longrightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

from $\textcircled{1}$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)\omega_k}{n} + \frac{\omega_k}{n} = \omega_k$$

$$\omega_k = \omega_k$$

$$\therefore \omega^T = \left[\frac{2\omega_k}{n} \quad \frac{2\omega_k}{n} \quad \dots \quad \omega_k \quad \dots \quad \frac{2\omega_k}{n} \right]$$

\swarrow k^{th} term

$$\text{At } A^k = \mathbb{1}_n \omega^T$$

$k \rightarrow \infty$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \left[\frac{2\omega_k}{n} \quad \frac{2\omega_k}{n} \quad \dots \quad \omega_k \quad \dots \quad \frac{2\omega_k}{n} \right]$$

$$= \omega_k \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{n} & \frac{2}{n} & \dots & 1 & \dots & \frac{2}{n} \\ \frac{2}{n} & \frac{2}{n} & \dots & 1 & \dots & \frac{2}{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{2}{n} & \frac{2}{n} & \dots & 1 & \dots & \frac{2}{n} \end{bmatrix}, \omega_k \in \mathbb{R}$$

Case C :

- ① node 1 has self loop and it's a sink
- ② all ~~other~~ nodes can reach 1st node
- ③ all nodes have self loop

using Theorem 5.1

- ① A is row stochastic
- ② 1st node is globally reachable
- ③ all nodes have self loops, therefore aperiodic

\therefore A is semi-convergent & $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \mathbb{1}_n \omega^T$

dominant eigen value = 1

$$[\omega_1 \ \omega_2 \ \dots \ \omega_n] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \dots & \dots & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = [\omega_1 \ \dots \ \omega_n]$$

at 1st term

$$\omega_1 + \frac{\omega_2 + \dots + \omega_n}{2} = \omega_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_2 + \dots + \omega_n = 0$$

from 2nd to nth

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \omega_i = \omega_i$$

$$\therefore \omega_i = 0 \text{ for } i = 2, \dots, n$$

$$\omega^T = [\omega_1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \frac{1}{n} \omega \omega^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \omega_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. b) $\text{rank}(L) = n - n_s$

n_s = the number of connected components of the graph.

Proof: Let the incident matrix of G be B

we know the $\dim(\text{nullspace}(B)) = n_s$

Let $x^T B = 0$ where x is a vector

this implies that x takes the same value on all the vertices of the same connected component.

$$\therefore \text{rank}(B) = n - n_s$$

$L = BB^T$, multiply both sides with v

$$Lv = BB^T v$$

$$\text{if } v^T BB^T v = 0,$$

$$\text{Let } M^T = v^T BB^T, \text{ i.e., } \|M^T v\| = 0$$

$$\therefore M^T v = 0 \Rightarrow MM^T v = 0$$

Using Nullity theorem: $\text{rank}(L) = \text{rank}(M)$

$$\& \text{rank}(M) = \text{rank}(B) = n - n_s$$

c). undirected ~~graph~~ ^{graph} is a subset of directed graph, therefore $L = L^T$ which is symmetric

By Lemma 6.2 we know at least one of the eigen values of $L = 0$

By Lemma 6.5, we know all eigen values are non-negative

$$0 = \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$$

we know $\lambda_1 = 0$ with eigen vector $\mathbb{1}_n$

if $\lambda_2 = 0$, we need to have a eigen vector that is orthogonal to $\mathbb{1}_n$ as L is symmetric
let the eigen vector of λ_2 be x

$$x \cdot \mathbb{1}_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = 0$$

$$\text{and } Lx = 0_n$$

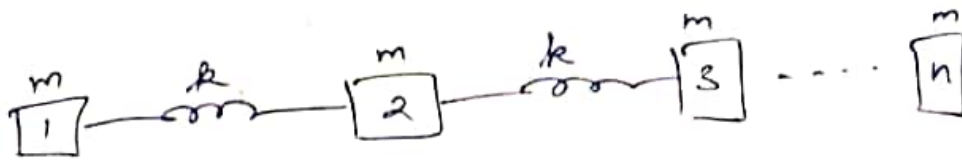
Lx is 0_n when x is a scalar multiple of $\mathbb{1}_n$
and when G ~~is~~ of L is connected

here x is not a multiple of $\mathbb{1}_n$, therefore we prove that L is not connected.

$\therefore G$ associated to L is connected when $\lambda_2 > 0$
undirected \uparrow

1.

Free Network



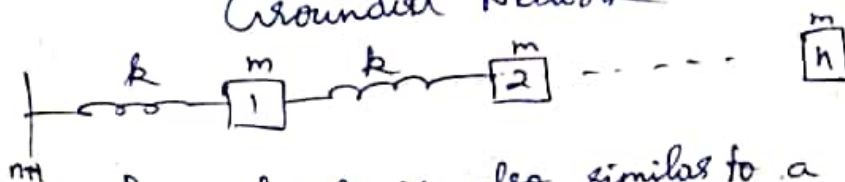
we know that our system is similar to a typical path graph and we know that a typical adjacency matrix to be

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

$$\therefore L = D_{out} - A$$

$$L_{free, n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & & 2 & -1 \\ & & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

Grounded Network



this network is also similar to a path graph except that 1st node is connected to the $n+1^{th}$ node instead of the n^{th} node, therefore we may expect little changes on the L of the graph.

\neq which implies that for summation of all the elements of Flood to be 0, we cannot have arbitrary loads.

b) in part a, we proved that

$$A_n^T (L_{free,n} x) = 0 \text{ for any displacement } x$$

in part b, given: $A_n \text{ Flood} = 0$

Let's left multiply A_n^T on both sides of (1)

$$A_n^T \text{ Flood} = A_n^T (L_{free,n} x) = 0$$

\therefore The resulting equilibrium displacement is not unique, as proved in part a

c) $x = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ where $x_i \in \mathbb{R}, i=1, \dots, n$

$$d) L_{grounded,n} = L_{free} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

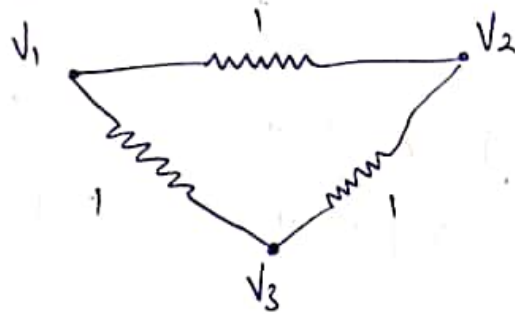
e) we know that $L_{free,n}$ is not invertible as the sum of elements of each of its column is 0. In $L_{free,n}$, row 1 is -ve of the sum of the all other rows of $L_{free,n}$, this proves linear dependency, In order to break this

linear dependency, we add 1 to the 1st equation
i.e., the 1st row of the matrix. Therefore, now
our matrix is linearly independent.

Our new matrix is $L_{\text{grounded}, n}$
due to its Linear Independence, an inverse exist.

$$f) \quad x = L_{\text{grounded}}^{-1} \text{ Flood}$$

8.



$$P_{\text{dissipated}} = V^T L V$$

$$\|V_2\| = 1$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sqrt{V_1^2 + V_2^2 + V_3^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow V_1^2 + V_2^2 + V_3^2 = 1$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 & V_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2V_1 - V_2 - V_3 & 2V_2 - V_1 - V_3 & 2V_3 - V_1 - V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2V_1^2 - V_2V_1 - V_3V_1 + 2V_2^2 - V_1V_2 - V_3V_2 + 2V_3^2 - V_1V_3 - V_2V_3$$

$$= 2[V_1^2 + V_2^2 + V_3^2] - 2V_1V_2 - 2V_3V_2 - 2V_1V_3$$

$$= 2 - 2[V_1V_2 + V_3V_2 + V_1V_3] \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

we want $(V_1 + V_2 + V_3)^2$ to be minimum and

$$V_1^2 + V_2^2 + V_3^2 = 1$$

$$V_1V_2 + V_2V_3 + V_3V_1 = \frac{1}{2}[V_1 + V_2 + V_3]^2 - \frac{1}{2}[V_1^2 + V_2^2 + V_3^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[V_1 + V_2 + V_3]^2 - \frac{1}{2}$$

since $\frac{1}{2}[V_1 + V_2 + V_3]^2 \geq 0$, it's smallest when

$$V_1 + V_2 + V_3 = 0$$

$$\therefore V_1V_2 + V_2V_3 + V_3V_1 \geq -\frac{1}{2}$$

from $\textcircled{1}$

$$\textcircled{1} \rightarrow 2 - 2\left[-\frac{1}{2}\right] = 2 + 1 = 3 //$$

$$P_{\text{max}} = 3W$$

6. a) Answer understood from "Distributed Control of Robots" by F. Bullo.

$$\sum_{j=1}^n l_{ij} = \text{dout}(v_i) - \text{din}(v_i) \quad \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$$\mathbf{1}_n^T L = \mathbf{0}_n$$

when $\text{Dout} = \text{Din}$

Let $L^T \mathbf{1}_n = \mathbf{0}_n^T$, Consider the system $\dot{v}(t) = -L(v_t)v_t$
& $v(0) = x_0$

together with the +ve definite function $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
defined by $V(x) = x^T x$.

The derivative of V along $x \rightarrow -L(v_t)x$ as

$$\dot{V}(x) = -2x^T L(v_t)x, \text{ we know } \mathbf{1}_n^T L = \mathbf{0}_n^T$$

$$\therefore L \mathbf{1}_n = \mathbf{0}_n$$

Let $\{P_\alpha\}$ be set of $n \times n$ permutation matrices, then
there exists time-dependent convex combination coefficients

$$\sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}(t) = 1, \quad \lambda_{\alpha}(t) \geq 0 \text{ so that}$$

$$e^{(-Lt)} = \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}(t) P_{\alpha}$$

$$V(e^{-L(v_t)t}x) = V\left(\sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}(t) P_{\alpha} x\right) \leq \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}(t) V(P_{\alpha} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}(t) V(x) = V(x)$$

$$\therefore V(e^{(-L)t}x) \leq V(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{V}(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$-x^T(L+L^T)x = -2x^TLx \leq 0$$

$L+L^T$ is semi-definite

which proves that G is weight balanced.

b) (i) $L = D_{out} - A \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

take transpose on both sides

$$L^T = D_{out} - A^T \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow L + L^T = 2D_{out} - (A + A^T) \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$\textcircled{3}$ proves that $L+L^T$ is the Laplacian matrix which is associated to a graph G that has $A+A^T$ as its adjacency matrix

as (iii) as $L+L^T$ is a Laplacian associated to $A+A^T$ adjacency matrix

by using the property of Laplacian matrix

$$(L+L^T)\mathbf{1}_n = 0 \quad \text{as Laplacian's row sum} = 0$$