

Nonnegative combined matrices. Relation with sign regular matrices

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Theorems

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| A: $\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_{n-1} \varepsilon_n = 1$ | A.1: $\varepsilon_2 = 1, \varepsilon_{n-2} \varepsilon_n = 1$ | $C(A) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow C(A) = I$ |
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Thanks for your attention