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Permanence of an ODE model of a chemical reaction network may informally be considered equivalent to the existence of compact attracting subset of $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^d$. Permanence of power law systems has not been fully characterized, even in two dimensions. Inspired by chemical reaction networks, we use the geometrical properties of a power law system with non-constant coefficient functions to investigate permanence. Using the *geometrically embedded graph* of a power law system, have characterized a robust type of permanence in \mathbb{R}^2 , and seek to extend this to higher dimensions. (Received August 10, 2015)