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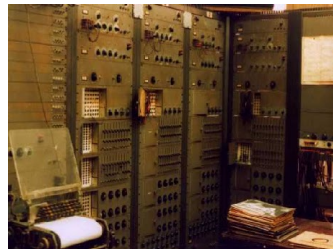
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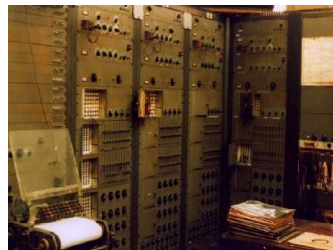


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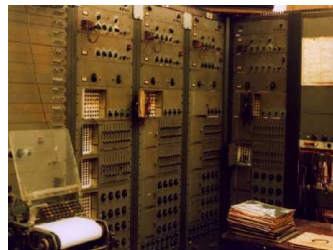


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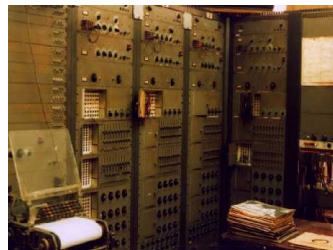


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- ▶ Down each column is the proportion of that sector which is purchased by each of the other three sectors.
- ▶ Across each row we see for a given sector, what proportion of their inputs came from each sector's output.
- ▶ For the renewable energy sector, we therefore have the following linear equation:

output from renewables = (input from renewables) + (input from electricity) + (input from manufacturing)

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Similarly deriving linear equations for the other sectors, we have the following system:

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$$-0.625p_r + 0.82p_e - 0.4p_m = 0$$

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## Finding the Equilibrium for the Economy

We have the following augmented matrix associated to the system:

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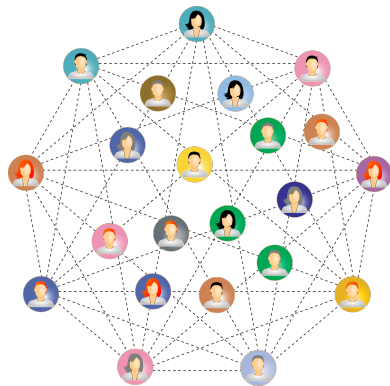
Notice  $p_m$  is a free variable, and we have equilibrium solution:

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- ▶ If this economy has  $p_m = 125$  billion dollars,
- ▶ Then if we want to ensure the economy is functioning at its equilibrium level (everything produced is used by other sectors):
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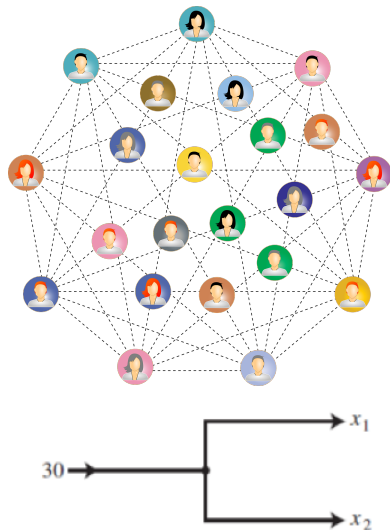
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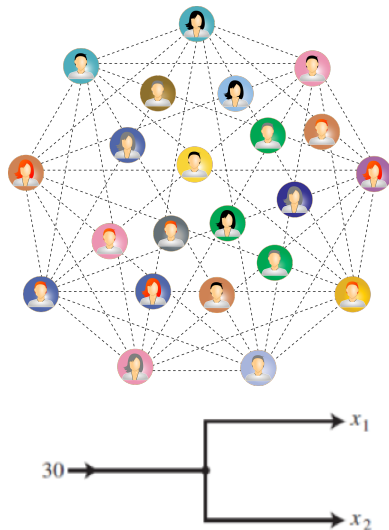
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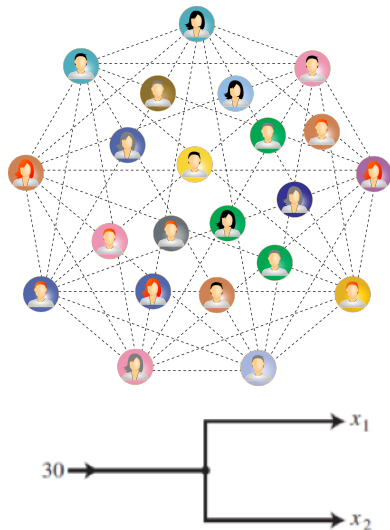
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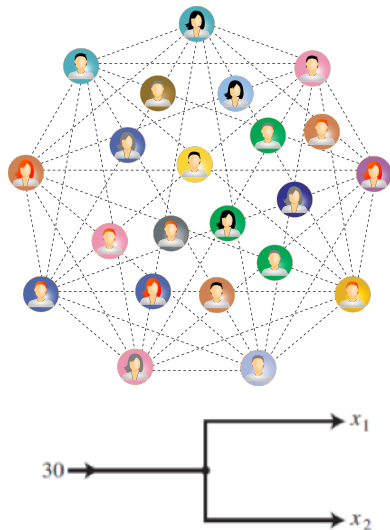
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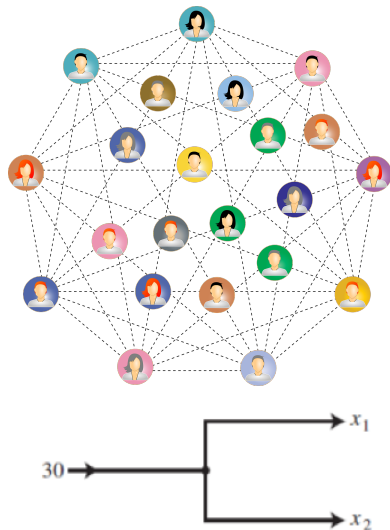
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- ▶ Network flows have applications to current flow through a circuit, flow of goods through supply chains, social networks, and **urban planning** to name a few.



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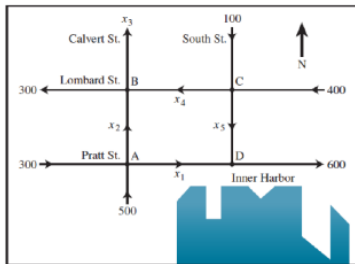


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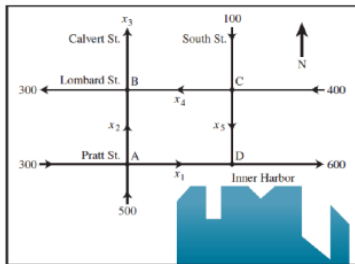


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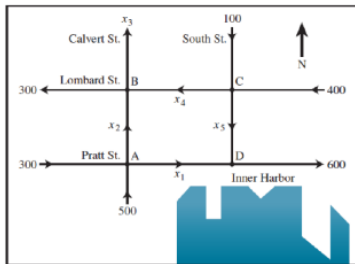


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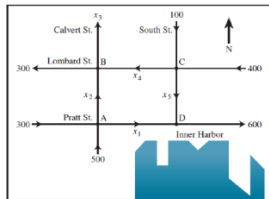


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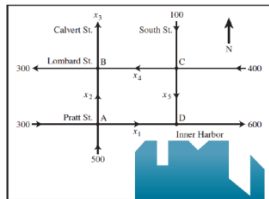


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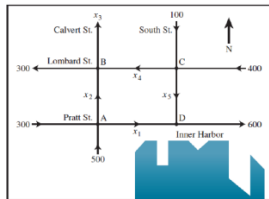


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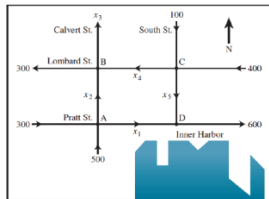


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