

We can write  $|x| \leq a$  as  $x \leq a$  and

<sup>16</sup> Now we consider the problem?

Suppose we have the problem

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 6x_3$$

$$\text{subject to } x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \geq 6$$

$$-6x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 = 15$$

$$|13x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3| \leq 13$$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0, x_3$  unrestricted in sign.

Reduce the problem into standard maximization form.

Ans We can write  $-6x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 = 15$  as

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and we can write  $|13x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3| \leq 13$

$$\text{or } 13x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 13, -13x_1 + 4x_2 - 5x_3 \leq -13$$

Now we can rewrite the problem in maximization form as

~~Minimize~~  $Z = 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 6x_3$

Maximize  $Z' = -Z = -2x_1 + 3x_2 - 6x_3$

~~subject to~~  $x_1 + x_2 - x_3$

subject to  $-x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 6$

$$-6x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 \geq 15$$

$$-6x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 \leq 15$$

$$13x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 13$$

$$-13x_1 + 4x_2 - 5x_3 \leq -13$$

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the decision variable  
 Since  $x_3$  is unrestricted in sign so we can  
 rewrite it and write  $x_3 = y_3 - y_4$  where  $y_3, y_4 \geq 0$   
 We also write  $x_1 = y_1, x_2 = y_2$

So we can rewrite the problem in standard  
 maximization form as.

$$\text{Maximize } z' = -z = -2y_1 + 3y_2 - 6y_3 + 6y_4 + 0y_5 \\ + 0y_6 + 0y_7 + 0y_8 + 0y_9$$

subject to

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \cancel{-y_1 + y_2 + y_3 - y_4} & & \leq 6 \\ -y_1 + y_2 + y_3 - y_4 + y_5 & & = 6 \\ -6y_1 + 7y_2 + 4y_3 - 4y_4 - y_6 & & = 15 \\ -6y_1 + 7y_2 + 4y_3 - 4y_4 + y_7 & & = 15 \\ 13y_1 - 4y_2 + 5y_3 + y_8 & & = 13 \\ -13y_1 + 4y_2 - 5y_3 + y_9 & & = 13 \end{array}$$

$$y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8, y_9 \geq 0$$

$y_5, y_7, y_8, y_9$  slack variable.

$y_6$  surplus variable.