

IE 310: Deterministic Models in Optimization

- Linear Programming Formulations

- Definition
- Standard Form
- History
- More Formulations

- Linearization Techniques

1. Absolute values
2. Ratio of variables
3. Maximizing the minimum

- How to solve LPs?

- Graphical method
 - Plotting constraints

Announcements:

- You have the control on mute/unmute button in Zoom
- HW 1 due on Tue

FORMULATIONS

... where we model problems mathematically

- So that we can use standard solution techniques



SUDOKU

Sudoku

Given: a partially filled table

Each cell to be filled with a number from 1 to 9

Each number can appear exactly once

- in each row
- in each col
- in each subtable

**Goal: Fill numbers in cells
to satisfy the above rules**

Subtable

5	3			7				
6			1	9	5			
	9	8					6	
8				6				3
4			8		3			1
7				2				6
	6					2	8	
			4	1	9			5
				8			7	9

Sudoku

Subtable k

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Step 1: identify decision variables

$x_{(i,j);k}^m$:= Indicator variable for whether cell $(i,j);k$
 contains number m
 for $i = 1, 2, 3, j = 1, 2, 3, k = 1, \dots, 9$, and $m = 1, \dots, 9$

Step 2: determine the objective function

$$\max 0x_{(1,1);1}^1$$

Step 3: identify constraints

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{(i,j);k}^m = 1 \text{ for every } i = 1, 2, 3, m = 1, \dots, 9$$

$$\sum_{k=4}^6 \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{(i,j);k}^m = 1 \text{ for every } i = 1, 2, 3, m = 1, \dots, 9$$

$$\sum_{k=7}^9 \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{(i,j);k}^m = 1 \text{ for every } i = 1, 2, 3, m = 1, \dots, 9$$

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... More constraints

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$$x_{(1,2);1}^3 = 1$$

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} Every number m appears in each subtable k exactly once

} Every cell $(i,j);k$ has a number in it

} Partially filled table entries

Sudoku

Not a linear programming formulation

owing to these constraints

$$\max 0x_{(1,1);1}^1$$

$$x_{(i,j);k}^m \in \{0,1\} \text{ for } i, j = 1,2,3, m, k = 1, \dots, 9$$

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LINEAR PROGRAMMING FORMULATION

... where we formally define “Linear Programming Formulations” and see its standard form

Linear Programming Formulation

- A Linear Programming Formulation is an optimization problem formulation in which
 - the objective function and
 - all constraintsare **linear functions of decision variables**, which are real variables
- More specifically, in a linear programming, the objective function and all constraints satisfy the following four conditions
 - Proportionality
 - Additivity
 - Divisibility
 - Certainty

LINEAR PROGRAMMING FORMULATION EXAMPLES

... where we see more examples of problems that can be formulated as LPs

RADIATION THERAPY PROBLEM

Example 3: Radiation Therapy

- Cancer treatment machine sends ionized radiation beam through a patient's body
- Use two beams, determine dosage (kilorad) to satisfy the following requirements

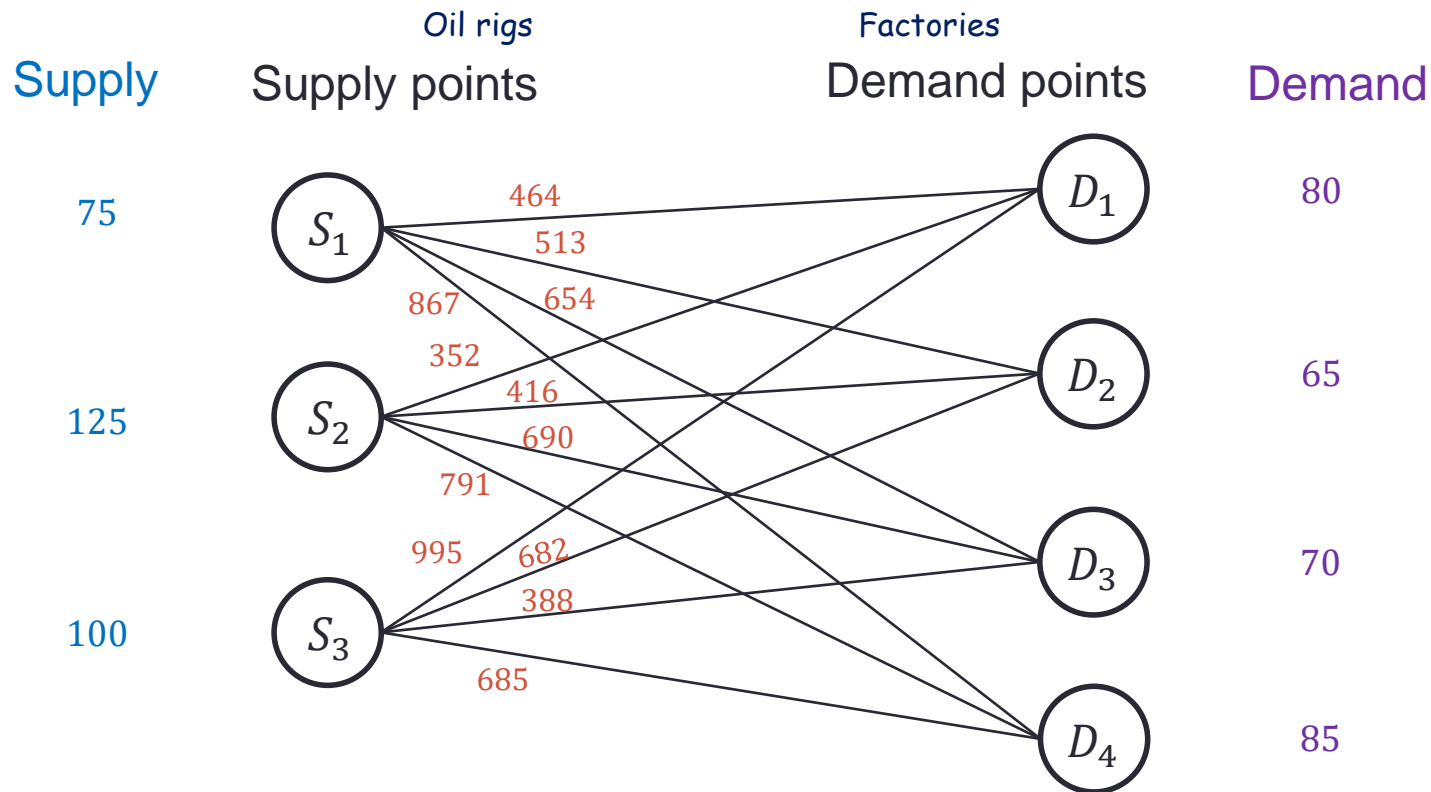
area	Fraction of Entry Dose Absorbed by area		Restriction on Total Average Dosage
	Beam 1	Beam 2	
Healthy Tissues	0.4	0.5	Minimize
Critical Tissues	0.3	0.1	≤ 2.7
Tumor Tissues	0.5	0.5	$= 6$
Tumor Center Tissues	0.6	0.4	≥ 6

- **Step 1: Decision variables** x_1 : dosage of beam 1, x_2 : dosage of beam 2
- **Step 2: Objective function** $\min Z = 0.4 x_1 + 0.5 x_2$
- **Step 3: Constraints**
$$0.3 x_1 + 0.1 x_2 \leq 2.7$$
$$0.5 x_1 + 0.5 x_2 = 6$$
$$0.6 x_1 + 0.4 x_2 \geq 6$$
$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0$$



TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

Transportation Problem



- Single product, say oil, needs to be transported from supply to demand
- Supply constraints: Entire supply at every S_i must be distributed among demand points
- Demand constraints: Entire demand at every D_j must be received from supply points
- Transportation Cost per unit from S_i to D_j is $c_{ij} (\geq 0)$ for all $i \in \{1,2,3\}, j \in \{1,2,3,4\}$

Question: How much to transport from each supply point to each demand point to minimize cost?

Formulation

Step 1: identify decision variables

x_{ij} : quantity to be transported
from S_i to D_j , $i \in \{1,2,3\}, j \in \{1,2,3,4\}$

Step 2: determine the objective function

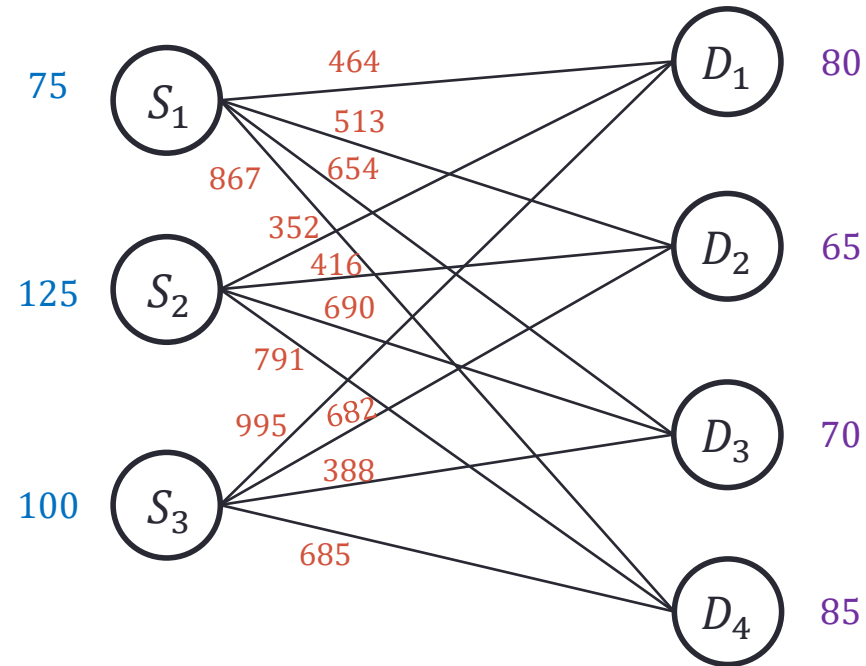
$$\begin{aligned} \min Z = & 464 x_{11} + 513 x_{12} + 654 x_{13} + 867 x_{14} \\ & + 352 x_{21} + 416 x_{22} + 690 x_{23} + 791 x_{24} \\ & + 995 x_{31} + 682 x_{32} + 388 x_{33} + 685 x_{34} \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: identify constraints

$$\begin{aligned} x_{11} + x_{12} + x_{13} + x_{14} &= 75 \\ x_{21} + x_{22} + x_{23} + x_{24} &= 125 \\ x_{31} + x_{32} + x_{33} + x_{34} &= 100 \\ x_{11} + x_{21} + x_{31} &= 80 \\ x_{12} + x_{22} + x_{32} &= 65 \\ x_{13} + x_{23} + x_{33} &= 70 \\ x_{14} + x_{24} + x_{34} &= 85 \\ x_{ij} &\geq 0, i = 1,2,3, j = 1,2,3,4 \end{aligned}$$

Supply constraints: Total outgoing from a supply point to all demand points should be equal to the supply at that point

Demand constraints: Total incoming into a demand point from all supply points should be equal to the demand requirement at that point



Formulation

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$$x_{ij} \geq 0, i = 1,2,3, j = 1,2,3,4$$

BANK LOAN MANAGEMENT

Bank Loan Management Problem

- Bank makes four kinds of loans with the following rates of interest:
 - Level-1 mortgage: 14%
 - Level-2 mortgage: 20%
 - Home Improvement: 20%
 - Personal overdraft: 10%
- The bank has a lending capability of \$250 million and is constrained by the following policies (policies are in place to mitigate risks while investing):
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Question: What is the best mix to lend to maximize interest?

Formulation

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Step 1: identify decision variables

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Step 2: determine the objective function

$$\max Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = 0.14x_1 + 0.20x_2 + 0.20x_3 + 0.10x_4$$

Step 3: identify constraints

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \leq 250$$

$$x_1 \geq 55$$

$$x_2 \leq 125$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$

Formulation

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LINEAR PROGRAMMING FORMULATION EXAMPLES

Keep an eye out:

- more formulations throughout the course

STANDARD FORM OF LINEAR PROGRAMMING FORMULATION

“Standard form” so that “standard solution techniques” can be developed and applied

Example:

$x^2 = 5x + 3$ is a quadratic equation but it is not convenient to solve.
To solve, you first bring it into standard form: $x^2 - 5x - 3 = 0$.

Compare the formulations of Examples 3 and 2

$$\begin{aligned} \min Z &= 0.4x_1 + 0.5x_2 \\ \text{subject to: } & 0.3x_1 + 0.1x_2 \leq 2.7 \\ & 0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 6 \\ & 0.6x_1 + 0.4x_2 \geq 6 \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example 3

$$\begin{aligned} \max Z &= 3x_1 + 5x_2 \\ \text{subject to: } & x_1 \leq 4 \\ & 2x_2 \leq 12 \\ & 3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 18 \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2

- Differences?
 - Example 3's objective is minimization while example 2's objective is maximization
 - Example 3 has = and \geq constraints while example 2 has \leq constraints
- Transform the therapy formulation into the same format as that of Example 2

$$\begin{aligned} \max Z &= -0.4x_1 - 0.5x_2 \\ \text{subject to: } & 0.3x_1 + 0.1x_2 \leq 2.7 \\ & 0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 \leq 6 \\ & -0.5x_1 - 0.5x_2 \leq -6 \\ & -0.6x_1 - 0.4x_2 \leq -6 \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

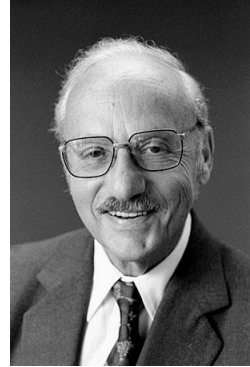
Observe that $0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 6$ is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 &\leq 6 \\ 0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 &\geq 6 \end{aligned}$$

which are equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 &\leq 6 \\ -0.5x_1 - 0.5x_2 &\leq -6 \end{aligned}$$

Linear Programs (LP): History



- Conceived by **George B. Dantzig** around 1947
- Historically speaking, Kantorovich (1939) was the first but his work was published only in 1959
- Title of Dantzig's first paper:
 "Programming in Linear Structure"
- Koopmans coined the term "Linear Programming" (1949)
- **The first algorithm (Simplex method)** to solve Linear Programming formulations was published by Dantzig (1949)

LINEARIZATION TECHNIQUES

... where we see how to massage certain non-linear formulations into linear formulations

Motivation

- Sometimes it is easy to write non-linear constraints (or objective) for the problem
- The resulting formulation would be a non-linear program
- However, non-linear programs are **extremely** difficult to solve
- So, we want to linearize non-linear constraints/objective whenever possible to obtain a linear program
- We will see three situations where the problem in words immediately suggests a non-linear formulation, but that formulation can subsequently be linearized to obtain a linear program

LINEARIZATION TECHNIQUES

1. Absolute values

Bank Loan Management Problem

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Question: What is the best mix to lend to maximize interest?

Additional constraint:

Level-2 mortgage and Home Improvement amount cannot differ from each other by more than 5 million dollars

Formulation

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- Level-2 mortgage amount and Home Improvement amount cannot differ from each other by more than 5 million dollars

Step 1: identify decision variables

x_i : amount in millions of dollars loaned in type i for $i = 1,2,3,4$

Step 2: determine the objective function

$$\max Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = 0.14x_1 + 0.20x_2 + 0.20x_3 + 0.10x_4$$

Step 3: identify constraints

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 &\leq 250 \\
 x_1 &\geq 55 \\
 x_2 &\leq 125 \\
 x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 &\geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned}
 x_2 - x_3 &\leq 5 \\
 -x_2 + x_3 &\leq 5
 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$|x_2 - x_3| \leq 5$$

Violates proportionality

i.e., any feasible solution to the original constraint is also feasible to the pair of constraints and vice-versa

Linearize the constraint: $|x_2 - x_3| \leq 5$ is equivalent to two constraints

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned}
 x_2 - x_3 &\leq 5 \\
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 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

So, replace it with two constraints

Formulation

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$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$

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$$-x_2 + x_3 \leq 5$$

Caution

- Absolute values cannot be linearized always

Formulation

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Level-2 mortgage amount and Home Improvement amount **have to** differ from each other by **more than 5** million dollars

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$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$

$$|x_2 - x_3| \geq 5$$

Cannot linearize this

$|x_2 - x_3| \geq 5$ is equivalent to saying that either $x_2 - x_3 \geq 5$ OR $-x_2 + x_3 \geq 5$

So, this cannot be formulated as a linear program

LINEARIZATION TECHNIQUES

2. Ratio of variables

Formulation

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- Level-1 mortgages must be at least 55 million dollars
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- Average interest rate over all loan types cannot exceed 15%

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Average interest rate $\frac{0.14x_1 + 0.20x_2 + 0.20x_3 + 0.10x_4}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4} \leq 0.15$

Violates proportionality

Linearize the constraint: $0.14x_1 + 0.20x_2 + 0.20x_3 + 0.10x_4 \leq 0.15(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4)$

Simplify: $-0.01x_1 + 0.05x_2 + 0.05x_3 - 0.05x_4 \leq 0$

Formulation

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$$-0.01x_1 + 0.05x_2 + 0.05x_3 - 0.05x_4 \leq 0$$

LINEARIZATION TECHNIQUES

3. Maximizing the minimum

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~~Question: What is the best mix to lend to maximize interest?~~

Different objective:

Maximize the minimum among the four possible interests

Formulation

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Different objective:

Maximize the minimum among the four possible interests

Step 1: identify decision variables

x_i : amount in millions of dollars loaned in type i for $i = 1,2,3,4$

Violates proportionality

Step 2: determine the objective function

$$\max Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$$

$$\text{where } Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \min\{0.14x_1, 0.20x_2, 0.20x_3, 0.10x_4\}$$

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \max z \\ z &\leq 0.14x_1 \\ z &\leq 0.20x_2 \\ z &\leq 0.20x_3 \\ z &\leq 0.10x_4 \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: identify constraints

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \leq 250$$

$$x_1 \geq 55$$

$$x_2 \leq 125$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$

Formulation

	Interest rate
T_1	0.14
T_2	0.20
T_3	0.20
T_4	0.10

- Total available: \$250 million
- Level-1 mortgages must be at least 55 million dollars
- Level-2 mortgages cannot exceed 125 million dollars

Different objective:

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Any feasible solution to the LHS problem also gives a feasible solution to the RHS problem with the same objective value and vice-versa

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RHS problem can be simplified to be a linear program

Similar technique also works to linearize min of max objective

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HOW TO SOLVE A LINEAR PROGRAMMING PROBLEM

Method 1: Graphic

$$\begin{aligned} \max Z &= 3x_1 + 5x_2 \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & x_1 \leq 4 \\ & 2x_2 \leq 12 \\ & 3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 18 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

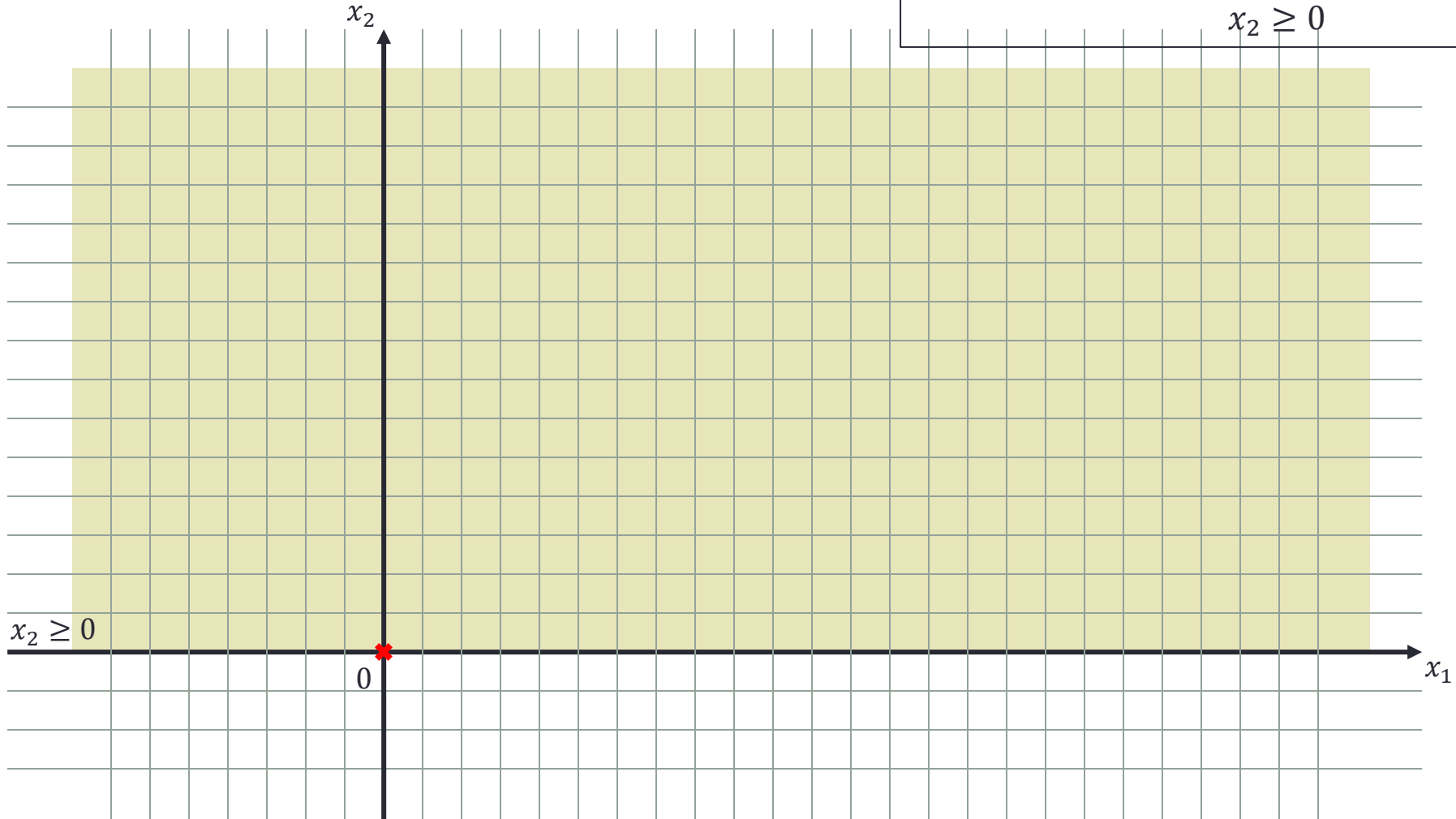
GRAPHIC METHOD

... where we

- see how to solve an LP using the Graphic Method and
- understand the scenarios that can happen with an LP

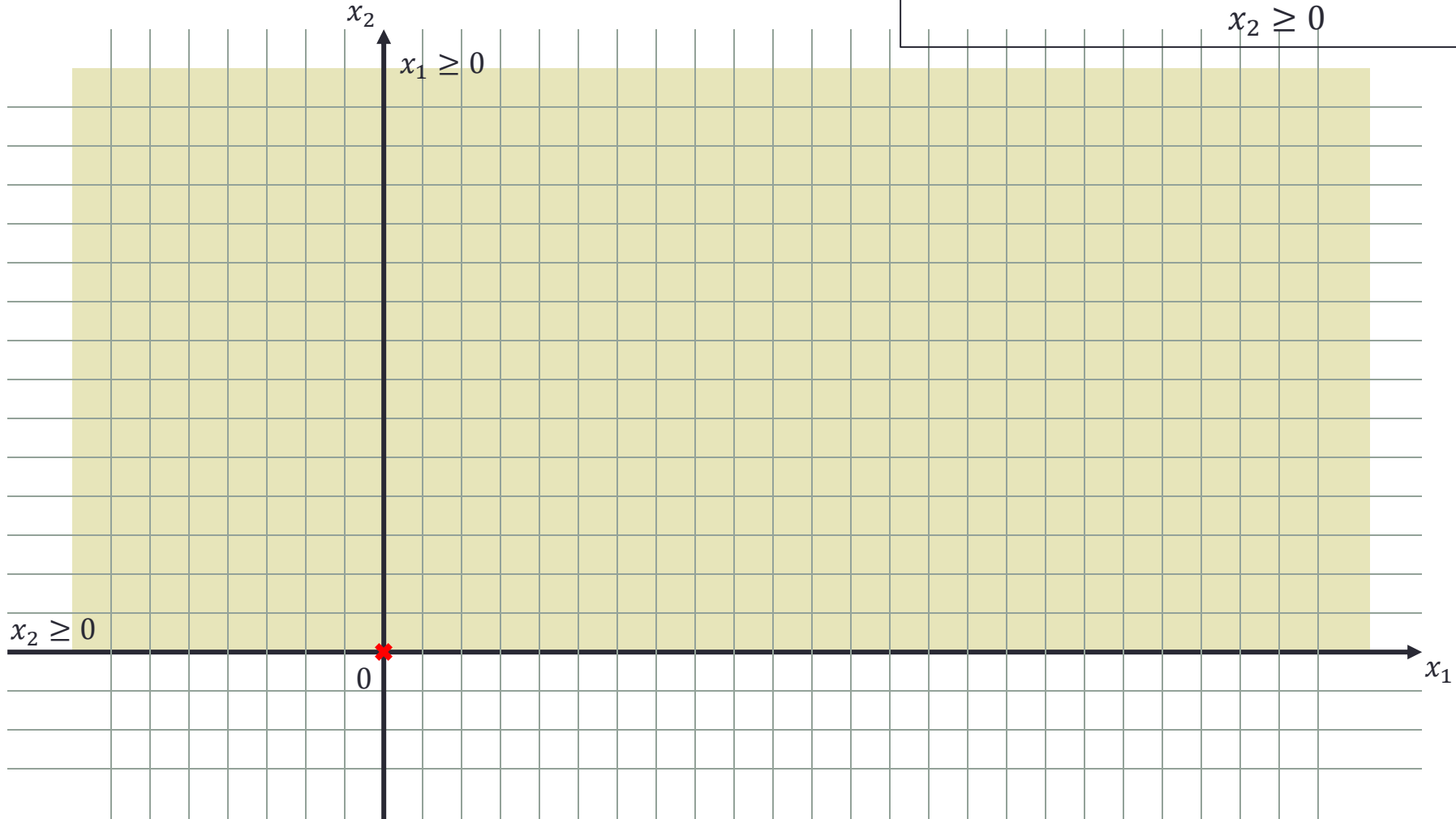
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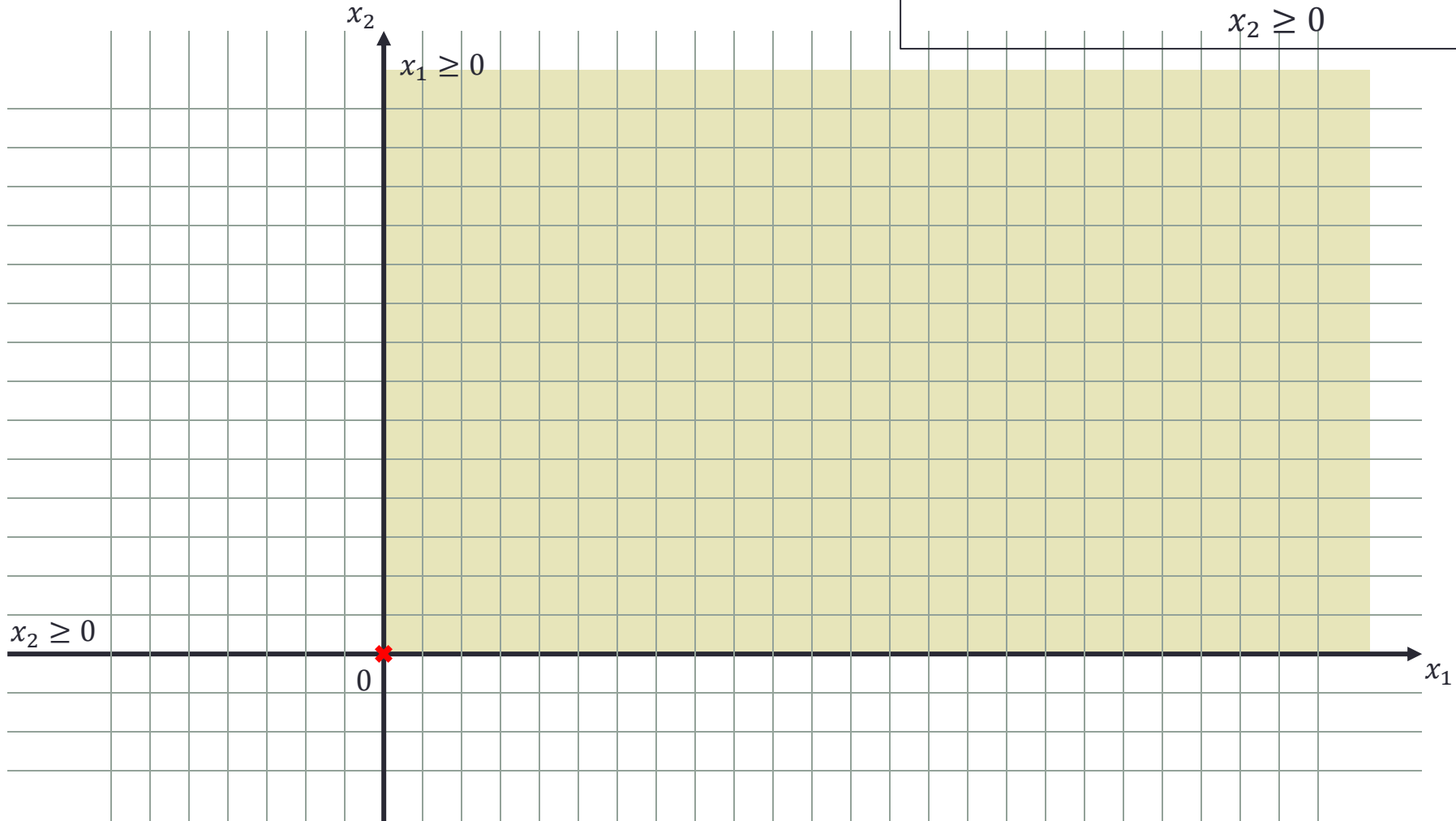
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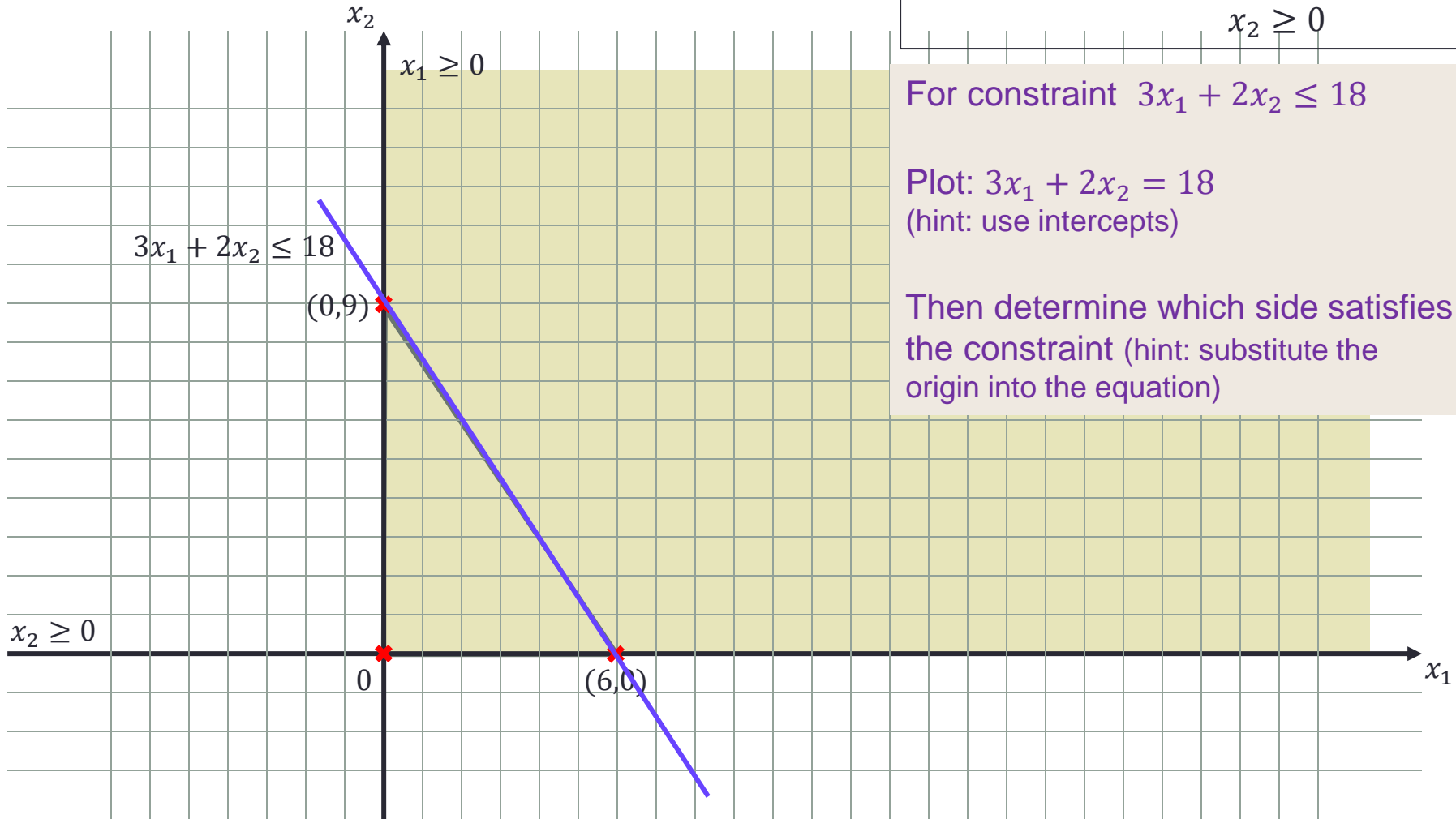
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Plot: $3x_1 + 2x_2 = 18$
(hint: use intercepts)

Then determine which side satisfies the constraint (hint: substitute the origin into the equation)

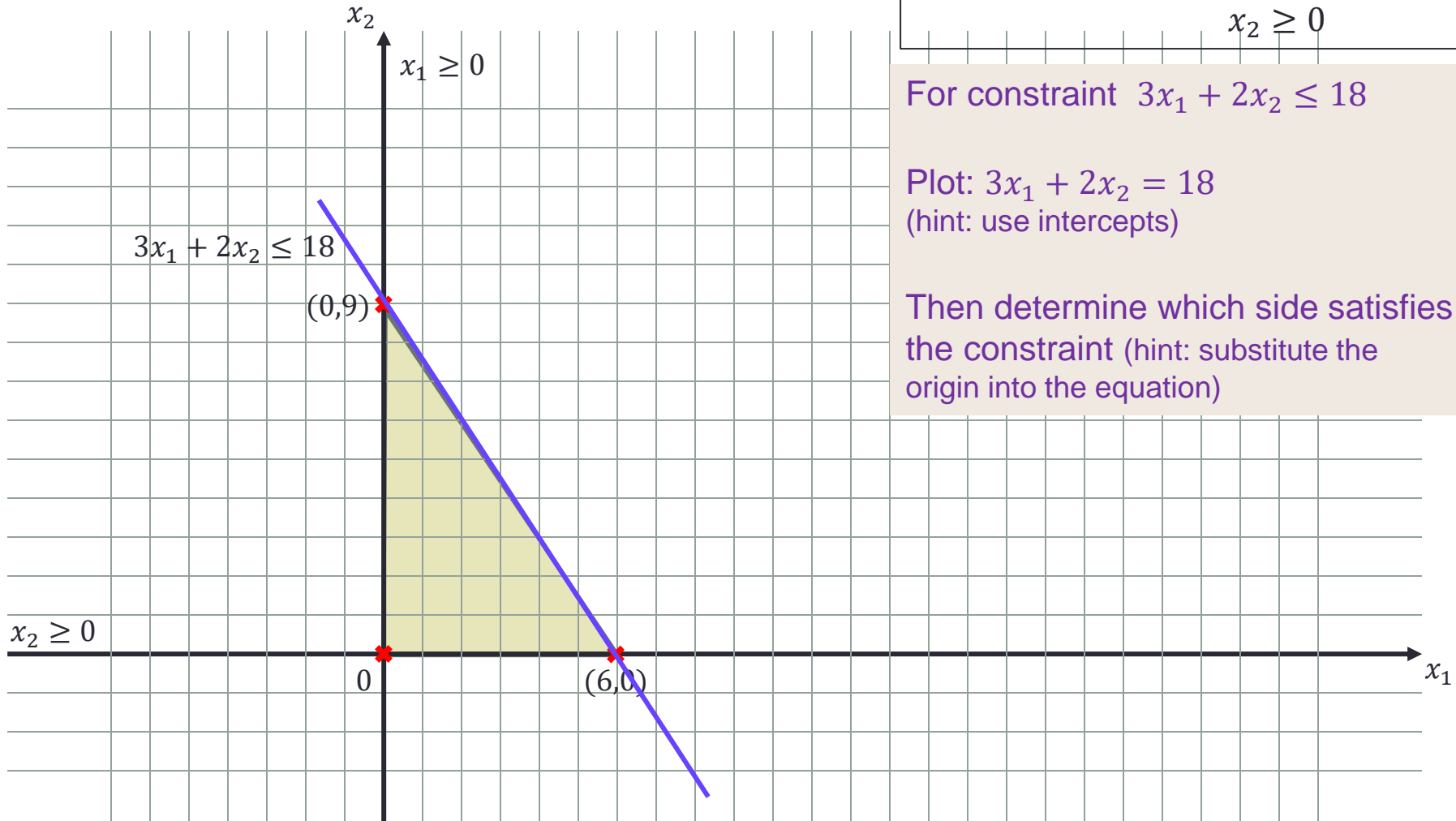
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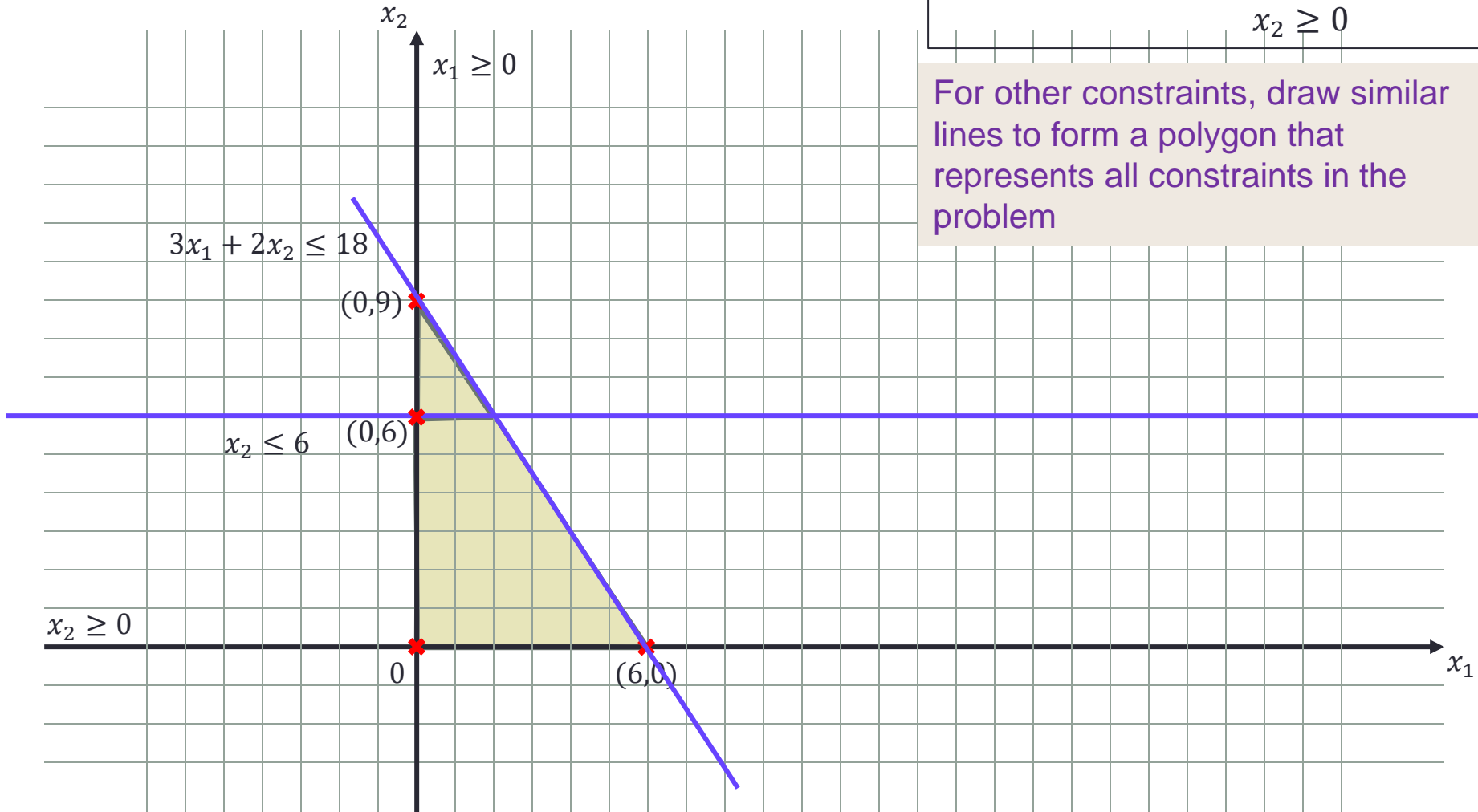
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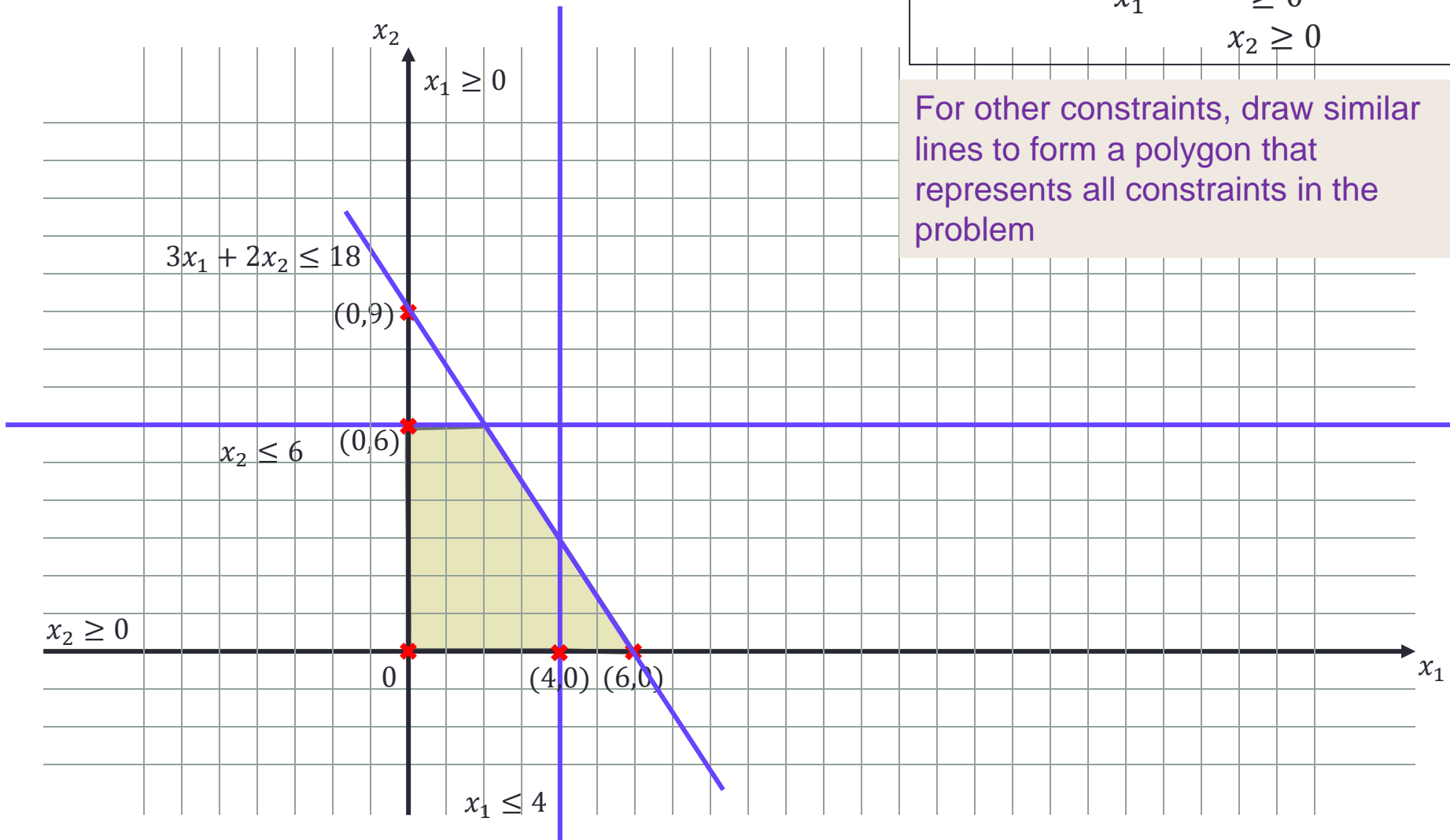
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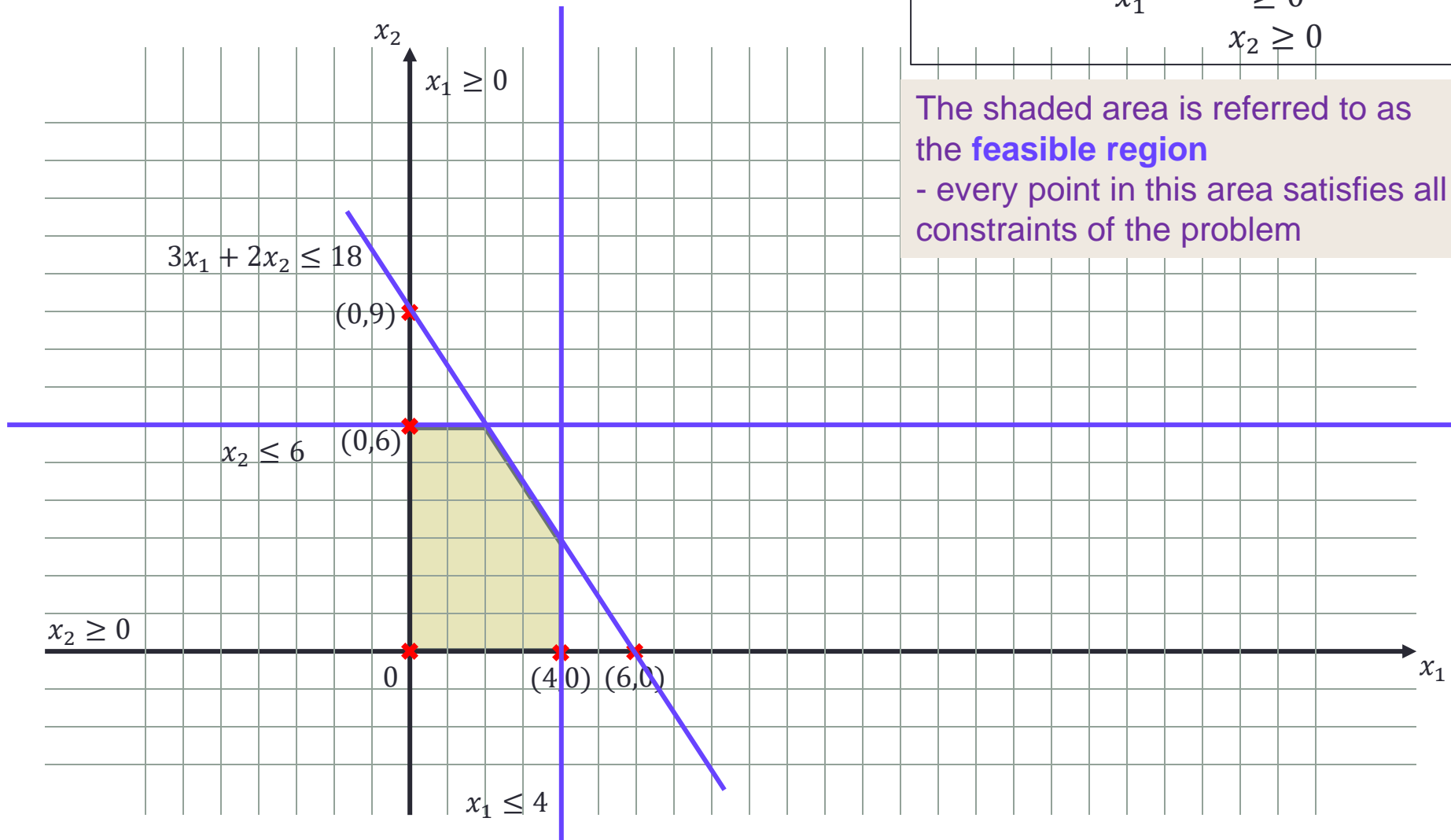
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The shaded area is referred to as the **feasible region**
 - every point in this area satisfies all constraints of the problem