

## Transportation Problem :-

(i) Finding initial basic feasible solution by north-west corner Rule, Least cost method and Vogel's approx method.

### Introduction :-

It is a special kind of linear programming problem (LPP) in which goods are transported from a set of sources to a set of destinations subject to the supply and demand of the sources and destinations respectively, such that the total cost of transportation is minimized.

There are 2 types of Transportation Problems

1) Balanced TP (Supply = Demand) ( $S=D$ )

2) Supply is equal to Demand ( $S=D$ )

2) UnBalanced TP (Supply  $\neq$  Demand) ( $S \neq D$ )

Supply is not equal to Demand ( $S \neq D$ )

We cannot proceed Unbalanced TP into balanced TP, we need to add either Dummy Column or

Dummy Row according to the situation.

## Methods of TP :-

1) Finding the initial feasible solution

2) Finding optimization

	A	B	C	Supply
I	2	7	5	200
Source				
II	3	4	2	300
III	5	4	7	500
Demand	200	400	400	1000

Demand = Supply (i.e Balanced TP)

## The techniques of Transportation Problem

(1) Northwest corner cell method

(2) Least Cost Cell method

(3) Vogel's approximation method (VAM)

## North-West Corner Cell method

		Destination				Supply
		A	B	C	D	
Source	1	3	1	7	4	300
	2	2	6	5	9	400
3	8	3	3	2	2	500

Demand 250 350 400 200

It is a Balanced T.P

$$\text{Demand} = \text{Supply} = 1200$$

		Destination				Supply
		A	B	C	D	
Source	1	250	50			300: 50. 0
	2	3	1	7	4	300: 50. 0
3	2	6	5	9	100	400 100. 0
Demand	250	350	400	200	1200	
	0	300. 0	300. 0	0	0	

- Compare starting from north-west corner, we need to compare Demand & Supply values.
- check which value is lesser in Demand & Supply apply that value in north-west corner cell

- As we got demand 0 in the first column of North-west cell, so we need to delete all full column
- After deleting ; Again we need to select the north-west corner from the table ( $B=(i)$ )
- In north-west corner Again Compare demand & Supply and delete the
- After Comparing we got the (B) row to be deleted as supply is 50 & demand is 350 (Supply is less)
- Again compare to north-west Column,
- Apply the same rule to all north-west columns.
- Atlast the only one cell remains i.e. ②.
- In that last cell we will be getting demand is equal to supply
- Therefore we got the balanced T.P. (proved)
- Multiply the cell is allocated cell.

$$(250 \times 3) + (50 \times 1) + (300 \times 6) + (100 \times 5) + \\ (100 \times 3) + (200 \times 2) = \text{Rs. } 4400.$$

Eg 2 :-

	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	Supply
P <sub>1</sub>	2	3	11	7	16
P <sub>2</sub>	1	0	6	1	11
P <sub>3</sub>	5	8	15	9	10
Demand	7	5	3	2	

Sol :-

D<sub>1</sub> D<sub>2</sub> D<sub>3</sub> D<sub>4</sub> Supply

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Demand

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Demand

$$\text{Min Z} = (6 \times 2) + (5 \times 8) + (3 \times 15) + (2 \times 9) = 115$$

$12 + 40 + 95 + 18$



## (Q) Least-Cost Method :-

	A	B	C	D	Supply
1	3	1	7	9	300
2	2	6	5	9	400
3	8	3	3	2	500

Demand 250 350 400 200

→ First we need to find which value is least among all cells (i.e.)

→ Then compare demand & supply to that cell and then same process.

→ Again finding least cell

→ If we're having same value at 2 different cells, we can select any one of the cell.

→ Apply same process. Atlast we will be remaining with one cell

→ For that cell Supply & demand will become same (i.e.)

→ After all multiply the value of cell value,

(allocated value)

$$= (2 \times 2) + (3 \times 3) + (5 \times 0) = 20$$

	A	B	C	D	Supply
1	300				300 0
2	250	50	100		400 150 50 0
Source					
3	2	6	5	9	500 300 0 0
	8	4	3	2	
	250	350	400	200	
	0	50	100	0	

total cost =  $(300 \times 1) + (250 \times 2) + (50 \times 6) + (100 \times 5) + (300 \times 3) + (200 \times 2)$   
 $\Rightarrow 300 + 500 + 300 + 500 + 900 + 400 = 2900.$

	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	Supplied
P <sub>1</sub>	6				6 0
P <sub>2</sub>	2	3	4	7	
P <sub>3</sub>	1	0	6	1	
Demand	7	5	3	2	
	12	10	8	9	

total cost =  $(6 \times 2) + (1 \times 0) + (1 \times 5) + (4 \times 8) + (3 \times 15) + (2 \times 9) =$   
 $\Rightarrow 12 + 5 + 32 + 45 + 18 = \underline{\underline{112}}$

whether balanced solution (112) is minimum cost or not

### (B) Vogel's Approximation Method

	A	B	C	D	Supply
②	3	1	7	4	300
①	2	6	5	9	400
③	8	3	3	2	500
Demand	250	350	400	200	

→ Before solving the problem, Firstly we need to identify the difference between Row and Column.

- First select the least value /cell in row and next select another least value ; find difference b/w 2 cells
- The difference Values is called as Penalties and select the maximum value in row.
- Select that Cell and Check the Demand & Supply
- Again check the difference and Continue with Same process until we get the single cell
- check Demand & Supply for that single cell so that Demand = Supply
- After multiply cell value & allocated value for transportation cost

	A	B	C	D	Supply		Row Diff.
I	300	IX	7X	4X	306 0	2	(3)
II	250		150		400 150 150	1	1
III	8	50	25	200	50/ 200	1	0
Demand	300 0	350 750	400 150	200 0	03 02 01 00	03 02 01 00	03 02 01 00
	1	2	2				
	-	(3)	2	2			
	-	3	2	(7)			

$$\rightarrow (300 \times 1) + (250 \times 2) + (150 \times 5) + (50 \times 3) + (250 \times 3) + (200 \times 2)$$

$$\rightarrow 300 + 500 + 750 + 150 + 750 + 400 = \underline{\underline{2850}}$$

Row column diff = select the least cell and subtract it from another least cell

# (A) Testing for Optimality of balanced transportation

## Problems

1. A company has three plants P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, P<sub>3</sub> and four markets M<sub>1</sub>, M<sub>2</sub>, M<sub>3</sub>, M<sub>4</sub>. The production capacities and market requirements are given below:

	M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	M <sub>4</sub>	
P <sub>1</sub>	10	2	20	11	15
P <sub>2</sub>	12	7	9	20	25
P <sub>3</sub>	5	14	16	5	10
	5	15	15	15	80

## Step 1: Least cost Method

	M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	M <sub>4</sub>	
P <sub>1</sub>	10	2	20	11	15
P <sub>2</sub>	12	7	9	20	25
P <sub>3</sub>	5	14	16	18	10
	5	15	15	15	80

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

Maximum

	A	B	C	D	Supply		UV method
1	200	50	7	4	256	56	0.
2	3	1					MODI Method
3	250	100					
4	2	6	5	9	350	100	0.
5	8	3	250	150	400	150	
Demand	200	300	350	150	1000	0.	
	0	250	250	0			
	0	0					

$$\Rightarrow (200 \times 3) + (50 \times 1) + (250 \times 6) + (100 \times 5) + (250 \times 3) + (150 \times 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total cost of transportation} = 3700$$

Now we need to check the optimality

Application of u-v method to optimize the solution

200	50				obtained solution
3	1	7	4		
250	100				
2	6	5	9		
8	3	3	2		

→ obtained solution  
from north-west corner cell method

→ For optimization First we need first u-v values

For u values for rows

v values for columns

Step 2: Find u-v values

For finding u-v values  $C_{ij} - U_i - V_j = C_{ij}^0$

Before finding u-v we need to check allocations



$V_1 = 3$	$V_2 = 1$	$V_3 = 0$	$V_4 = -1$
$U_1 = 0$	$3$	$1$	$4$
$U_2 = 5$	$2$	$6$	$9$
$U_3 = 3$	$8$	$3$	$2$

$$C_{ij} + V_j^o = C_{ij}$$

No. of allocations = 6

We need to find  $U_i$  &  $V_j$  values only for allocated cells.  
Always  $U_1 = 0$

$$m+n-1 = 6$$

$m$  = rows  
 $n$  = columns

$$3+4-1 = 6$$

$$6 = 6$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 3$$

$$C_{ij}^o = U_i + V_j^o$$

$$3 = 0 + V_1$$

$$V_1 = 3$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 1$$

$$1 = U_i + V_2$$

$$1 = 0 + V_2$$

$$V_2 = 1$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 4$$

$$4 = U_i + V_3$$

$$\neq$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 6$$

$$6 = U_2 + V_2$$

$$6 = U_2 + 1$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 5$$

$$C_{ij}^o = U_2 + V_3$$

$$5 = 5 + V_3$$

$$V_3 = 0$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 3$$

$$3 = U_3 + V_3$$

$$U_3 = U_3 + 0$$

$$U_3 = 3$$

$$C_{ij}^o = 2$$

$$C_{ij}^o = U_3 + V_4$$

$$2 = 3 + V_4$$

$$V_4 = 1$$

$$U_2 = 5$$

$$U_2 = 5$$

Step 2 we need to find penalties

using:

$$P_{ij} = U_i + V_j - C_{ij}$$

$\Rightarrow$  we need to find penalties for non allocated cells.

Non allocated cells have value  $\infty$  (infinity)



$c_{ij} + v_j - c_{ij}^{\text{opt}}$  tells surplus of work unit

$$C_{13} = 0 + 0 - 7 = -7$$

$$C_{14} = 0 + 1 - 9 = -5$$

$$C_{21} = 5 + 3 - 2 = +6$$

$$C_{24} = 5 + (-1) - 9 = 5 - 1 - 9 = -5$$

$$C_{31} = 3 + 3 - 8 = -2$$

$$C_{32} = 3 + 1 - 3 = 1$$

Rule: If we get '0' or less than 0 means optimality Reached.

If we get any positive value or greater than 0, we have further steps.

→ We need to find maximum positive value (i.e.  $6 = C_{21}$ )

$C_{21} = 6 \rightarrow$  This cell is called New Basic Cell (NBC).  
we need to form a loop with NBC along with allocated cells

$$v_1 = 3 \quad v_2 = 1 \quad v_3 = 0 \quad v_4 = -1$$

200	(-)	50	(+)		
3		1		7	4
5		250		100	
2 (+)		6 (-)		5	9
100				250	150
43	8	3	13	7	2
43	8	3	13	7	2

New Basic cell we have to allocate positive cell sign and after (-) & after (+) (continue).



→ we have to observe the negative signs; allocated values (i.e. 200 & 250)

→ select the minimum value and add with the positive value and subtract with negative value

→ After forming a new table, we need to find  $c_{ij} - v_j$  values for allocated cells

	$v_1 = 3$	$v_2 = 1$	$v_3 = 0$	$v_4 = -1$
$u_1 = 0$	3	1	7	4
$u_2 = 5$	2	6	5	9
$u_3 = 3$	8	3	3	2

$$c_{ij} + v_j = C_{ij}$$

$$u_1 = 0$$

$$c_{ij} = 1$$

$$0 + v_2 = 1$$

$$\boxed{v_2 = 1}$$

$$c_{ij} = 6$$

$$u_2 + v_1 = 6$$

$$\boxed{u_2 = 5}$$

$$c_{ij} = 5$$

$$u_2 + v_3 = 5$$

$$5 + v_3 = 5$$

$$\boxed{v_3 = 0}$$

$$c_{ij} = 2$$

$$u_2 + v_1 = 2$$

$$5 + v_1 = 2$$

$$\boxed{v_1 = 3}$$

$$c_{ij} = 3$$

$$u_3 + v_3 = 3$$

$$u_3 + 0 = 3$$

$$\boxed{u_3 = 3}$$

$$c_{ij} = 2$$

$$u_3 + v_4 = 2$$

$$3 + v_4 = 2$$

$$\boxed{v_4 = -1}$$

Now, we need to find penalties  $p_{ij}$  for non-allocated cells using

$$p_{ij} = u_i + v_j - c_{ij}$$

$$C_{11} = 0 - 3 - 3 = -6$$

$$C_{13} = 0 + 0 - 7 = -7$$

$$C_{14} = 0 - 1 - 4 = -5$$

$$C_{24} = 5 - 1 - 9 = -5$$

$$C_{31} = 3 - 3 - 8 = -8$$

$$(C_{32}) = 3 + 1 - 3 = 1$$

If we get all -ve negative or less than 0 then it is optimized

$$V_1 = 3 \quad V_2 = 1 \quad V_3 = 0 \quad V_4 = -1$$

$u_1 = 0$	3	1	7	4
	200	50	100	(-)
$u_2 = 5$	2	6	5	9
$u_3 = 3$	8	(+)	3	2

After allocation the table is

$$V_1 = 2 \quad V_2 = 1 \quad V_3 = 1 \quad V_4 = 0$$

$u_1 = 0$	3	1	7	4
	200		150	
$u_2 = 4$	2	6	5	9
$u_3 = 2$	8	3	3	2

We need check whether allocation cell is 6 or not

(Allocated) Again find  $u$  &  $v$  values

$$u_{ij} + v_{ij} = c_{ij}$$

(Non-Allocated)

Don't like ( $P_{ij} = u_{ij} + v_{ij} - c_{ij}$ )



Penalties ( $P_{ij} = U_{ij} + V_{ij} - C_{ij}$ )

$$C_{11} = 0 - 2 - 3 = -5$$

$$C_{13} = 0 + 1 - 7 = -6$$

$$C_{14} = 0 + 0 - 4 = -4$$

$$C_{22} = 4 + 1 - 6 = -1$$

$$C_{24} = 4 + 0 - 9 = -5$$

$$C_{31} = 2 - 2 - 8 = -8$$

Final Solution

Here, we got all values or negative value which are less than, ~~0~~ 0, so, the it is optimized.

Procedure

~~We have to repeat the same process till the solution is optimized.~~

Now, Final total cost of transportation is

$$(250 \times 1) + (200 \times 2) + (150 \times 5) + (50 \times 3) + (200 \times 3) +$$

$$\cancel{(150 \times 2)} = 2450 \quad (\text{Optimum Answer})$$

