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# Programming Development on Transportation Problem using c++ and Stepping Stone for Evaluation

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*Abstract:* The aim of this research is to develop a programm for three methods of solving transportation problems. C++ was used to write the programm on initial feasible solution and optimal solution using North West Corner Rule, Least Cost Rule and Vogel Approximation Method. Stepping stone is used to obtain the optimal solution. From the result of the analysis, we discovered that the Programming on Vogel Approximation Method gives the same result at optimal solution and at low number of iterations. Hence we conclude that programming on Vogel Approximation Method is the best method of finding initial feasible solution, optimal solution and for distribution of good.

Keywords: Optimal, Initial, Feasible, Cost and Solution.

### I. INTRODUCTION

Transportation is the movement of people and commodities from one place to another. The progress of any recent organization depends on the effective utilization of transportation system. Moreover, moving from one place to another or distribution of goods and services always take place through transportation system. The transportation model depends on individual objectives and taste in terms of cost, safety, speed and comfortability [1],[4],[6].

Production is the creation of goods and services to satisfy human wants. According to the economic Philosopher Adams Smith (1976), production is not complete until the goods produced reach the final consumer. After production, it is mandate for manufacturers to discharge or distribute the products to the markets or various depots and this can be achieved through effective transportation system [2],[3],[5]. Transportation plays a dominant role in the world economy because the cost of transportation goes a long way in influencing the cost of finished products. That is the lower the transportation cost the cheaper the cost of products. This makes business organization, individuals and government to look for effective ways of solving transportation problems. From the discussion above one can easily come to the conclusion that the progress of any company is directly proportional to the efficiency of the transportation method of the company.

Transportation problem can be described as a way of distributing finished goods from different sources to numerous destinations at a minimum cost or rate. Suppose there are m warehouses, where commodities are stocked an n markets (Locations) where they are needed and supply available in the warehouses be  $S_1,S_2,S_3...S_m$  while the demand at the market be  $d_1,d_2,d_3....d_n$ . Let the unit cost of shipping from warehouse i to market j be  $\mathbb{N}$ Cij. The transpiration problem wants to find an optimal shipping

schedule which minimizes the cost of transportation from the warehouse to the markets. The various ways by which a particular commodity can be distributed from source to destination is illustrated by the diagram below.

## II. LINEAR PROGRAMMING FORMULATION

In order to formulate the transportation problem as a linear programing problem, we define  $X_{ij}$  as the quantity shipped from warehouse i to market j, i = 1, 2, ..., m and j = 1, 2, ..., m. The number of decision variables is given by the product of m and n

The supply constraint guarantee that the total amounts shipped from any warehouse does not exceed its capacity. The demand constraint guarantee that the total shipped to market including the non-negative constraints, the total number of constraint is (m + n). The market demands of the warehouse is equal to the total demand at the market.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} & \sum S_i & = & \sum d_j \\ i{=}1 & & j{=}1 \end{array}$$

This implies that every available product at the warehouse will be shipped to meet the minimum demand at the markets. In this case, all the supply and the demand constraint would become strict equalities and we shall have a standard transportation problem given by Min  $Z = \sum \sum C_{ii} X_{ii}$ 

$$i=1$$
Subject to
$$\sum_{m} X_{ij} = S_i \quad i = 1, 2, .n...m \text{ (supply)}$$

$$\sum_{m} X_{ij} = d_i \quad j = 1, 2, ...n \text{ (demand)}$$

 $Xij \ge 0$  for i and j



The above transportation problem can be expanded as follows

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Min } Z = C_{11}X_{11} + C_{12}X_{12} + \ldots C_{1n}X_{1n} + C_{21}X_{21} + \ldots C_{2n}X_{2n} + \ldots \\ C_{mi}X_{mi} + \ldots C_{mn}X_{mn} \\ \text{Subject to} \\ & X_{11} + X_{12} + \ldots + X_{1n} = S_1 \\ & X_{21} + X_{22} + \ldots + X_{2n} = S_2 \\ & \ldots & \ldots \\ & X_{m1} + X_{m2} + \ldots + X_{mn} = S_m \\ & X_{11} + X_{21} + \ldots + X_{m1} = d_1 \\ & X_{12} + X_{22} + \ldots + X_{m2} = d_2 \\ & / & / \\ & X_{1n} + X_{2n} + \ldots + X_{mn} = d_n \\ & S1 \ge 0, \, dj \ge 0 \quad \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots m, \qquad j \\ = 1, 2, \dots n \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1, 2, ... n$$

### III. METHOD OF SOLVING TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

The following are three methods employed in establishing an initial feasible solution, they are

- a. North West Corner Rule Method
- b. Least Cost Rule Method
- c. Vogel Approximation Method

### IV. METHOD FOR ESTIMATING OPTIMAL SOLUTION

After an Initial Feasible Solution to the distribution problem has been obtained through North West Corner Rule, Least Cost Rule and Vogel Approximation Method, alternative solution must be evaluated. There are two straight forward method for calculating the effect of alternative allocation. In this research a program develops will be used to find the initial feasible solution and optimal solution using stepping stone method.

#### Stepping Stone Method: А.

Procedure for stepping stone method

- a. Choose the empty cell unused square to be evaluated.
- b. Beginning with the selected empty cell, trace a closed path (Moving horizontally and vertically) from this empty cell via stone squares (used square) back to the original cell. Only one closed path exists for each empty cell in a given solution. Although the path may skip over non-empty (stone) or empty cells and may cross over itself. Corners of the closed path may occur only at the stone squares and the unused square (empty cell) being evaluated.
- Assign plus (+) and Minus (-) signs alternatively at c. each corner square of the closed path, beginning with a plus sign at the empty cell. Assign these signs by starting in either a clockwise or anticlockwise direction. The positive and negative signs represent the addition or subtraction of 1 unit to a cell.
- Determine the net change in the costs as a result of d. the changes made in tracing the path. Summing the unit cost in each cell with a plus sign will give the addition to the cost. The decrease in cost is obtained by summing the unit cost in each cell with a negative sign.

- e. If all the improvement indices are greater than or equal to zero stop. The solution obtained is optimal. Otherwise go to step 6.
- f. Develop a new solution and go to step 1 to develop a new solution we shift a smaller quantity of the stone that has negative figure to the most negative cell of the improvement index.
- Repeat the above steps until the solution is optimal. g. That is, the improvement index is greater than or equal to zero.

#### v. DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM DEVELOPED

C++ is the programming language used to developed a programming for solving transportation problem using North West, Least Cost and Vogel Approximation Method procedures for solving initial feasible solution and stepping stone procedure for finding the optimal solution.

C++ is one of computer programming languages which is a High Level Language (HLL). It is an Object Oriented Programming (OOP) Language. It is also a scientifically oriented and it is used in handling mathematical problems. Some of the characteristics that make C++ different from other common languages are.

- a. It bridges the gap between conventional High Level Language (HLL) and Machine Language (ML).
- b. It is more efficient than other High Level Language (HLL)
- It is more portable and convectional in nature c.
- d. It has more concise source code
- It isolates its machine dependent feature to its е library formation

### VI. PROGRAM SOURCE CODE ON TRANSPORTATION

#include <stdio.h> #include <stdlib.h> #include <math.h> #include <ctype.h> #include <dos.h> #include <time.h> #define MAXC 500 #define MAXR 500 #define MT 250000 /\* GLOBAL VARIABLE DECLARATION \*/ int NOSUP, NODEM, CP, CT, INIT, IT, IPR, N9, MENUNEXT,cc; MOVEX[MT], int MOVEY[MT], OPT, MINI, MINJ, NOWI, NOWJ, INDIC; float C[MAXR][MAXC], FLOW[MAXR][MAXC],SUPPLY[MAXR], S1[MAXR]; float DEMAND[MAXC], D1[MAXC], U[MAXR], V[MAXC], EC[MAXR+1][MAXC+1]; float R[MAXR][MAXC]; float TCOST, CMIN,XMIN,CT2; int P[500][2\*MAXC+5];// int ITERATE; int ID, IDES, IF1, IOPTIMAL, ISOU, IX, IY, LT, NR; double CC,QT,TT,XINFCC; char SW, ch; \*plant[] char {"S1", "S2", "S3", "S4", "S5", "S6", "S7", "S8", "S9", "S10", "S11 ","S12","S13","S14","S15","S16","S17","S18","S19","S20",

 $for(i=1;i \le NOSUP;i++)$ 

"S21", "S22", "S23", "S24", "S25", "S26", "S27", "S28", "S29", " \$30", "\$31", "\$32", "\$33", "\$34", "\$35", "\$36", "\$37", "\$38", "\$ 39","S40"}; \*depot[] char {"D1","D2","D3","D4","D5","D6","D7","D8","D9","D10"," D11","D12","D13","D14","D15","D16","D17","D18","D19 "."D20". "D21", "D22", "D23", "D24", "D25", "D26", "D27", "D28", "D2 9", "D30", "D31", "D32", "D33", "D34", "D35", "D36", "D37", " D38","D39","D40"}; FILE \*fp; int IERROR; char ERR\_MSG[100]; void INPUT\_MODE() { int i, j, response; printf(" \*\*\*\* \n"); printf(" COMPUTARIZATION OF TRANSPORTATION MODEL\n"); THIS PROGRAM CAN printf(" ANALYSIS \n"); INITIAL FEASIBLE SOLUTION printf(" ALLOCATION \n"); printf(" BY THREE METHOD\n"); printf( \*\*\* \n"); NORTH-WEST CORNER printf(" 1 RULE (n''); printf(" 2. LEAST COST RULE  $\langle n'' \rangle$ ; printf(' 3. VOGEL APPROXIMATION \n"); printf("n n'); printf("HOW MANY SOURCES? "); scanf("%d",&NOSUP); // printf("LABEL SOURCES AND PRESS ENTER "); printf("HOW MANY DESTINATIONS? "); scanf("%d",&NODEM); MENUNEXT = 1; //printf("LABEL DESTINATIONS AND PRESS ENTER "); //for (i = 1;i<NODEM;i++) scanf("%s", depot[i]);</pre> do { printf("SELECT 1 OR 2 OR 3 \n"); scanf("%d",&INIT); if ((INIT < 1) || (INIT > 3)) printf("YOU HAVE ENTERED WRONG Α CHARACTER, TRY AGAIN! \n"); } while((INIT < 1) || (INIT > 3)); printf(" $n\n"$ ); printf(" HOW MUCH COST IS REQUIRED printf(" \n"); printf(" BETWEEN EACH SOURCE AND DESTIANTION \n"); printf(" 

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{
  do
  {
    printf("\n\n");
    printf(" from %s \n", plant[i - 1]);
    for(j=1;j \le NODEM;j++)
    {
      printf("
             to %s = ", depot[j-1]);
      scanf("%f", &C[i][j]);
      printf("\n");
    ł
    printf("\n");
    printf(" IS THE DATA CORRECT ? <Y/N>\n");
    getchar();
    response = getchar();
  }
  while(response =='N' || response =='n');
}
printf("\n\n");
printf("
WHAT AMOUNT IS POSSIBLE
printf("
\n");
printf("
                 FOR EACH SOURCE \n");
printf("
do
  for(i=1;i<= NOSUP;i++)
  printf(" %s = ",plant[i-1]);
  scanf("%f", &SUPPLY[i]);
  printf("\n");
printf(" IS THE DATA CORRECT ? <Y/N>\n");
getchar();
response = getchar();
}
while (response == 'N' \parallel response == 'n');
printf("\n\n");
printf("
printf("
              WHAT AMOUNT IS REQUIRED
                                             \n"):
printf("
                FOR EACH DESTINATION (n'');
printf("
do
ł
  for(j=1;j \le NODEM;j++)
  ł
    printf(" %s = ",depot[j-1]);
    scanf("%f", &DEMAND[j]);
    printf("\n");
  }
  printf(" IS THE DATA CORRECT? <Y/N> \n");
  getchar();
  response = getchar();
}
while (response == 'N' \parallel response == 'n');
void Optimal();
 void Seek_Path(int I,int J);
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void Increase(int I,int J); void TCost(); /\*BALANCE8\*/ void BALANCE() { float ss,ds,diff; int i,j; ss = 0.0;ds=0.0: for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) ss = ss + SUPPLY[i];</pre> for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++) ds+=DEMAND[j];</pre> N9 = NODEM;diff=ss-ds; if(diff == 0.0) return; if(diff < 0.0){ printf("The total supply must be greater than the total demand.n''; printf(" So this problem is infeasible.\n"); printf("Check the data.\n"); printf(ERR\_MSG," The total supply must be greater than the total demand."); IERROR = 3; return; NODEM+=1: for(i=1; $i \le NOSUP$ ;i++) C[i][NODEM]=1E+20; DEMAND[NODEM]=diff; if(IPR > 1)ł if (diff == 0)ł printf("\n The original problem is balanced."); return; if (diff > 0)The printf("\n unbalanced problem is now balanced."); return; } } return; /\*NORTH\*/ void NWCR() { int i,j; for (i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++)</pre> FLOW[i][j] = 0;for  $(i=1;i \le NOSUP;i++)$  S1[i] = SUPPLY[i]; for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++) D1[j] = DEMAND[j]; for (i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) { if (fabs(S1[i]) < 0.00001) continue; for  $(j=1;j \le NODEM;j++)$ ł if (fabs(D1[j]) < 0.00001) continue; if ((fabs(S1[i] - D1[j]) < 0.00001)) { FLOW[i][j] = S1[i];S1[i] = 0;D1[j] = 0;

} else if (S1[i] < D1[j]) ł FLOW[i][j] = S1[i];D1[i] = D1[i] - S1[i];S1[i] = 0;} else ł FLOW[i][j] = D1[j];S1[i] = S1[i] - D1[j];D1[j] = 0;ł } } void LCR() { int i,j,icom,MINI,MINJ; float CMIN; for  $(i=1;i \le NOSUP;i++)$ for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++)</pre> FLOW[i][j] = 0;for  $(i=1;i \le NOSUP;i++)$  S1[i] = SUPPLY[i];  $for(j=1;j \le NODEM;j++) D1[j] = DEMAND[j];$ do ł icom = 0;CMIN = 1E + 20;MINI=0: MINJ=0; for (i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) if (S1[i] > 0.00001)ł icom = 1;for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++) if(D1[j]>0.00001) ł icom=1; if(CMIN > C[i][j]){ CMIN = (C[i][j]);MINI = i;MINJ=j; } 1 if (icom==1) { if(fabs(S1[MINI] -D1[MINJ])<0.00001) ł FLOW[MINI][MINJ] = S1[MINI]; S1[MINI] = 0;D1[MINJ] = 0;if((fabs(S1[MINI] - D1[MINJ])>=0.00001) && (S1[MINI] < D1[MINJ])){ FLOW[MINI][MINJ] = S1[MINI];D1[MINJ]-= S1[MINI];S1[MINI]=0; if((fabs(S1[MINI] -D1[MINJ])>=0.00001) && (S1[MINI] > D1[MINJ]))

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{
     FLOW[MINI][MINJ]
                             =
                                  D1[MINJ];S1[MINI]-=
D1[MINJ];D1[MINJ]=0;
     }
 }
}
while (icom==1);
if (icom ==0) return;
ł
/*VOGEL*/
void VOGEL()
{
 int LB,L;
  int i,A,j,k,icom,MINI,MINJ,imin1,jmin1,itt;
  float CMIN1, CMIN2, DIFF, DIFFT;
 LB = NOSUP + NODEM;
 LB = NOSUP + NODEM;
 LB = LB - 1;
  for(i = 1; i <= NOSUP; i++)
  for (j = 1; j <= NODEM; j++)
  FLOW[i][j] = 0;
   A = 1;
   //LB = 0;
  for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) S1[i] = SUPPLY[i];
  for (j=1;j \le NODEM;j++) D1[j] = DEMAND[j];
 //do {
  for(L = 0; L \le LB; L++)
      icom = 0; DIFF = -1E + 20; MINI = 0; MINJ = 0;
 for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++)
     if (S1[i] > 0.00001)
     ł
       icom = 1; CMIN1 = 1E+20;imin1 = 0;jmin1 = 0;
CMIN2 = 1E+20; itt = 0;
          for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++)
            if(D1[j] > 0.00001)
            {
              itt++;
              if(CMIN1 > C[i][j])
                CMIN1 = C[i][j];imin1 = i;jmin1=j;
         }
       }
              if(itt > 1){
                for(j = 1; j \le NODEM; j++)
                   if(D1[j] > 0.00001)
                   if((j != jmin1) \&\& (CMIN2 > C[i][j]))
CMIN2 = C[i][j];
                ł
              DIFFT = CMIN2 - CMIN1;
              if(itt == 1) DIFFT = 0;
              if(DIFF < DIFFT)
              {
                DIFF = DIFFT;MINI = imin1;MINJ
=jmin1;
              }
            }
          }
  for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++)
  {
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if (D1[j] > 0.00001){ icom = 1; CMIN1 = 1E+20;imin1 = 0;imin1 = 0; CMIN2 = 1E+20; itt = 0;for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++){ if(S1[i] > 0.00001){ itt++: if(CMIN1 > C[i][j])ł CMIN1 = C[i][j];imin1 = i;jmin1=j;} } } if(itt > 1){  $for(i = 1; i \le NOSUP; i++)$ if(S1[i] > 0.00001)if((i != imin1) && (CMIN2 > C[i][j])) CMIN2 = C[i][j];} DIFFT = CMIN2 - CMIN1; if(itt == 1) DIFFT = 0; if(DIFF < DIFFT) { DIFF = DIFFT;MINI = imin1;MINJ =jmin1; } if (icom==1) ł if(fabs(S1[MINI] - D1[MINJ])<0.00001) { FLOW[MINI][MINJ] = S1[MINI]; S1[MINI] = 0;D1[MINJ] = 0;A++; if((fabs(S1[MINI] - D1[MINJ])>=0.00001) && (S1[MINI] < D1[MINJ])) FLOW[MINI][MINJ] S1[MINI];D1[MINJ]-= = S1[MINI];S1[MINI]=0; A++; if((fabs(S1[MINI] - D1[MINJ]) >= 0.00001)&& (S1[MINI] > D1[MINJ]))FLOW[MINI][MINJ] D1[MINJ];S1[MINI]-= = D1[MINJ];D1[MINJ]=0; A++; } }//while(A <= LB); // if(icom == 1) goto LB; if(icom == 0) return; } /\*INISOL\*/ void INISOL()

is

{ int cnt; int BLINK,linet,ptr,p; int valid, char count; int i.j; for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++) for(j=1;j<=NODEM;j++) EC[i][j] = 0;switch(INIT) ł case 1: NWCR(); break; case 2: LCR(); break; case 3: VOGEL(); break; TCOST = 0.0;for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++)  $for(j=1;j \le NODEM;j++)$ { if(FLOW[i][i] == 0) continue; EC[i][j] = 1; CT++; // TCOST = TCOST + CT++;TCOST = TCOST + (C[i][j] \* FLOW[i][j]);} if(CT < CP) printf("\n The initial solution is not feasiable."); printf("\nThe else initial solution feasiable."); void Optimal() { //Labels: e10, e70, e140, e150 int I.J: ITERATE = 1; e10: XINFCC=0.0; for (I=1; I<=NOSUP; I++) for (J=1; J<=NODEM; J++) { if (FLOW[I][J] != 0.0) goto e70; Seek\_Path(I,J); Increase(I,J); e70:; } if (XINFCC>=0.0) { IOPTIMAL=1; goto e150; for (I=1; I<=LT; I++) { IX=P[3][I]; IY=P[4][I]; if (I % 2 == 0) { FLOW[IX][IY] = TT;goto e140; FLOW[IX][IY] += TT;e140:;} e150:if (IOPTIMAL==0) { ITERATE = ITERATE + 1; goto e10;void Seek\_Path(int I, int J) { //Labels: e70, e160, e260 int I1,I2; for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++) for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++) R[I1][I2]=FLOW[I1][I2]; for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++) R[I1][0]=0.0; for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++) R[0][I2]=0.0;

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R[I][J]=1.0;
e70: for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++) {
    if (R[0][12]==1.0) goto e160;
    NR=0:
    for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++)
     if (R[I1][I2] != 0.0) NR++;
          if (NR!=1) goto e160;
    for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++) R[I1][I2]=0.0;
    R[0][I2]=1.0; IF1=1;
e160:;}
  for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++) {
    if (R[I1][0]==1.0) goto e260;
    NR=0;
    for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++)
     if (R[I1][I2] != 0.0) NR++;
    if (NR!=1) goto e260;
    for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++) R[I1][I2]=0.0;
    R[I1][0]=1.0; IF1=1;
e260:;}
   if (IF1==1) {
    IF1=0; goto e70;
   }
}
void Increase(int I, int J) {
//Labels: e20,e70,e130,e170,e180,e230
   int I1.I2:
   P[1][1]=I; P[2][1]=J; IX=I; IY=J; ID=1; CC=0.0;
OT=999999.0;
e20: ID++; IF1=0;
         for (I1=1; I1<=NOSUP; I1++) {
    if (R[I1][IY]==0.0 || I1==IX) goto e70;
    P[1][ID]=I1; P[2][ID]=IY; IX=I1; CC -= C[IX][IY];
    IF1=1; I1=NOSUP;
    if (FLOW[IX][IY] < QT \&\& FLOW[IX][IY] > 0.0)
QT=FLOW[IX][IY];
e70:;}
   if (IF1==0) goto e170;
   ID++; IF1=0;
         for (I2=1; I2<=NODEM; I2++) {
    if (R[IX][I2]==0.0 || I2==IY) goto e130;
    P[1][ID]=IX; P[2][ID]=I2; IY=I2; CC += C[IX][IY];
    IF1=1; I2=NODEM;
e130:;}
   if (IF1==0) goto e170;
   if (IX!=I || IY!=J) goto e20;
   goto e180:
e170:printf(" DEGENERATE SOLUTION !\n");
   return;
e180:if (CC>0.0 || CC>XINFCC) goto e230;
   TT=QT; XINFCC=CC; ID--; LT=ID;
   for (I1=1; I1<=ID; I1++) {
    P[3][I1]=P[1][I1]; P[4][I1]=P[2][I1];
   }
e230:;}
 void TCost() {
  int I,J;
  CT2=0.0;
  for (I=1; I<=NOSUP; I++)
   for (J=1; J<=NODEM; J++) {
    CT2 = CT2 + (FLOW[I][J] * C[I][J]);
    if (FLOW[I][J]==0.0) goto e10;
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}

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printf("
                        FROM
                                  SOURCE%d
                                                 TO
DESTINATION%d: %8.2f\n", I, J, FLOW[I][J]);
e10:;}
  printf("\n TOTAL TRANSPORT COST: %10.1f\n\n",
CT2);
}
      /*main*/
int main()
{
  int i,j,menu10;
  char AB;
  int DATAOPT;
  menu10:
  TCOST = 0;
  //do
  //{
    INPUT MODE();
    CP = NOSUP + NODEM - 1; CT = 0;
    BALANCE();
    INISOL();
    printf("\n\n");
    if(INIT == 1) printf("
                              INITIAL FEASIABLE
SOLUTION OF NWCR\n\n");
    if(INIT == 2) printf("
                              INITIAL
                                        FEASIABLE
SOLUTION OF LCR\n\n");
    if(INIT == 3) printf("
                              INITIAL FEASIABLE
SOLUTION OF VOGEL\n\n");
     for(i=1;i<=NOSUP;i++){
           for(j=1;j<= NODEM;j++)</pre>
           {
             printf("%f",FLOW[i][j]);
             printf("
                       ");
           }
           printf("\n");
         }
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printf("Total cost = %f\n\n",(TCOST));

if(INIT==1) printf("OPTIMAL SOLUTION OF NORTH WEST CORNER RULE\n\n"); if(INIT==2) printf("OPTIMAL SOLUTION OF LEAST COST RULE\n\n"); if(INIT==3) printf("OPTIMAL SOLUTION OF VOGEL APPROXIMATION\n\n"); Optimal(); TCost(); printf("\n\n NUMBER OF ITERATION = %d\n\n", ITERATE); printf("PRESS 1 TO GO TO MENU? "); scanf("%d",&DATAOPT); if(DATAOPT == 1) goto menu10; // }while((DATAOPT == 'M') || (DATAOPT == 'm')); system("PAUSE"); return 0;

}

VII. APPLICATION

### Table 1:- Shows the sources and supply capacity of Seven Up Bottling Company

Sources	Supply Capacity
Plant 1	3,200
Plant 2	3,080
Plant 3	2,720
Total	9000

 
 Table.2
 Shows the destinations and their requirement of Seven Up Bottling Company PLC Ilorin.

Destination	Demand
Jebba	1,320
Kabba	1,1720
Ogbomosho	2,520
Ekiti	1,240
Oshogbo	2,200
Total	9000

 Table 3
 Shows the unit cost of transportation in Naira (N) from sources to destinations.

Sources	Jebba	Kabba	Ogbomosho	Ekiti	Oshogo
Plant 1	150	165	150	145	100
Plant 2	148	162	172	127	160
Plant 3	220	228	170	160	155

Plant 1	=	Warehouse 1	=	$\mathbf{W}_1$
Plant 2	=	Warehouse 2	=	$W_2$
Plant 3	=	Warehouse 3	=	$W_3$
Jebba	=	Market 1	=	$M_1$
Kabba	=	Market 2	=	$M_2$
Ogbomo	sho=	Market 3	=	$M_3$
Ekiti	=	Market 4	=	$M_4$
Oshogbo	)=	Market 5	=	$M_5$

Table 4 Shows the combined cost matrix, supply capacity and demand

	$M_1$	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	$M_4$	M <sub>5</sub>	Si
$W_1$	150	165	150	145	100	3 200
<b>W</b> <sub>2</sub>	148	162	172	127	160	5,200
					<b></b>	3080
$W_3$	220	228	170	160	155	2 720
dj	1,320	1,720	2,520	2,200	9000	2,720

VIII. ANALYSIS OF DATA

When the program developed was used to analyse the data, the following result were obtained.

From the analysis of the data set, using the progam developed in this study North West Corner Rule was optimal at sixth iteration, Least Cost Rule at fourth iteration while Vogel Approximation method is optimal at second iteration. This indicate that Vogel Approximation Method is the best

## IX. SUMMARY OF FINDING

Summary of the analysis carried out so far are presented in the table 11

	Methods	Initial	Optimal	No of
	(Programing)	Feasible	Solution	Iteration
		Solution		
1.	North West Corner	₦1,427,360	₽1,288,480	6
	Rule			
2.	Least Cost Rule	₩1,339,080	₩1,288,480	4
3.	Vogel	₩1,295,080	₩1,288,480	2
	Approximation			

## X. CONCLUSION

Since program developed on Vogel Approximation has the advantages of obtaining initial feasible solution; easy to compute and easy to edit when error are committed in the process of data entering. Hence programming developed on Vogel Approximation Method using C++ is the best method of getting Approximate solution to transportation problem and best method of distributing the goods and services.

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