

# Experimental Development of Triangular Fuzzy Arithmetic and an Effective Approach to Real-World Fuzzy Transportation Problems

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## Abstract

The fuzzy optimum solution to the fuzzy vehicle routing problem (FTP) with all parameters being fuzzy integers is presented using a novel approach. The proposed technique is based on the crisp mobility methodology and the zero point method, and it ensures that the optimum fuzzy solution as well as the optimal fuzzy best position of the FTP has no negative components. A FTP is answered using the provided approach as an example. The suggested technique is suitable for determining the fuzzy optimum solution of FTPs that arise in real-life circumstances.

**Keywords:** Fuzzy transit problems; zero point technique; positively fuzzy optimum solution; optimistic fuzzy integer

## 1. Introduction

Many firms are seeking to develop new methods to generate and deliver benefits for consumers in history's highly competitive environment. It's becoming increasingly difficult to figure out just how when to properly deliver items to clients in sufficient quantities at a low cost. Transportation models give a powerful foundation for meeting this challenge. For lowering transportation costs, transportation models have a wide range of applications in logistic and supply chains. With the premise of a specific sources, destination parameter, and penalty factors, a number of effective approaches for addressing transportation issues have been devised. Due to unpredictable circumstances, all of the characteristics of transportation issues may not be understood accurately in real-world applications. Zadeh [11] proposed fuzzy numbers that might represent astonishing facts. Zimmermann [12] found the best solution to a problem.

We present a new approach for obtaining a fuzzy optimum solution to an FTP with all parameters being fuzzy integers in this study. The suggested technique gives a non-negative fuzzy optimum solution and a non-negative optimal fuzzy value is taken of FTPs, which addresses the drawbacks of previous methods [7,1,6, 3, 8]. The suggested solution is based just on zero point method, which is a transportation problem-solving algorithm. As a result, the novel technique can also alleviate the problem of uneven transportation. The proposed strategy for addressing a fuzzy problem of traffic congestion is demonstrated using a numerical example. The proposed technique is an acceptable way for tackling a real-world difficulty of determining the fuzzy optimum solutions to fuzzy transportation difficulties.

## 2. Preliminaries

### 2.1. Fuzzy number and Fuzzy transportation problem

Zadeh [12] provides the following mathematically oriented definitions of fuzzy set and membership function.

## 2.2 Transportation Problems

F. L. Hitchcock initially devised and suggested the Transportation Problems (TP) in 1941[1], [2]. Its goal is generally to reduce total transportation costs [3]-[7]. Other targets that might be defined include reducing overall delivery time, increasing profit, and so on. The Hitchcock-Koopman transportation problem is represented by the following linear transportation model:

$$\text{Minimize } z = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\text{Subject to } \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} = a_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m \quad (\text{Supply})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_{ij} = b_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (\text{Demand})$$

$$x_{ij} \geq 0 \text{ for all } i \text{ and } j$$

Here,

$x_{ij}$  = The quantity of commodities transported from point  $i$  to point  $j$

$c_{ij}$  = The cost of transporting a unit of commodities from point  $i$  to point  $j$

$a_i$  = The amount of supply accessible at each point of origin  $i$

$b_j$  = The supply of demand at every location  $j$

$m$  = Amount of beginnings in aggregate (Sources)

$n$  = The overall amount of locations (Sinks)

Traditional transportation techniques [17] can be used to tackle this challenge.

## 3. Methodological Approaches

### Reverse Dynamical Algorithm

We now provide a novel technique for addressing fuzzy transport problems that is founded just on crisp transport systems algorithm, namely Pandian & Natarajan's zero point method [9].

**The following is the current approach:**

#### Algorithm

**Step 1:** Represent the issue (P3) using the FTP as a starting point and solve it using the zero point approach.

Let be an optimum solution of (P3) with  $x_{ij}^3$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,m$  and  $j=1,2,\dots,n$ .

**Step 2:** Create a problem (P2) using the supplied FTP then solve it using the zero point approach. Let  $\{x_{ij}^2, i=1,2,\dots,m$  and  $j=1,2,\dots,n\}$  be the best option for (P2).

**Step 3:** Create a problem (P1) using the supplied FTP and solve it using the zero point approach. Let  $\{x_{ij}^1, i=1,2,\dots,m$  and  $j=1,2,\dots,n\}$  be an optimal solution of (P1)

**Step 4:**  $\{x_{ij}^1, x_{ij}^2, x_{ij}^3, x_{ij}^4, i=1,2,\dots,m$  and  $j=1,2,\dots,n\}$  is the best option for the given FTP (P)

**Remark 3.2:** Because it will be based just on zero point approach, the crisp transportation algorithm, the suggested method may also solve an imbalanced fuzzy transportation issue.

#### 4. Mathematical Exemplification

The following example shows how the proposed technique works.

**Example 4.1:** Consider the following transportation situation, which is completely ambiguous.

Supply

	(2,3,4)	(3,4,6)	(11,12,14)	(7,8,11)	<b>(6,7,12)</b>
	(1,2,4)	(0,1,1)	(6,7,8)	(1,2,3)	<b>(1,2,3)</b>
	(5,6,8)	(8,9,12)	(15,16,19)	(9,10,12)	<b>(10,12,17)</b>
Demand	<b>(7,8,11)</b>	<b>(5,6,11)</b>	<b>(3,4,6)</b>	<b>(2,3,4)</b>	<b>(17,21,32)</b>

The given FTP is a balanced one since total fuzzy demand = total fuzzy supply = (17, 21, 32).

Now, using the supplied FTP, solve the following issue (P3):

Supply

	4	6	14	11	<b>12</b>
	4	1	8	3	<b>3</b>
	8	12	19	12	<b>17</b>
Demand	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>32</b>

Now, by the zero point method, the optimal solution of (P4) is  $x_{12}^3 = 11$ ,  $x_{13}^3 = 1$ ,  $x_{23}^3 = 3$ ,  $x_{31}^3 = 11$ ,  $x_{33}^3 = 2$ ,  $x_{34}^3 = 4$  and the cheapest mode of transportation is 278.

Now, using the supplied FTP, solve the following issue (P2):

Supply

	3	4	12	8	<b>7</b>
	2	1	7	2	<b>2</b>
	6	9	16	10	<b>12</b>
Demand	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>

With  $x_{ij}^2 \leq x_{ij}^3$

Now, by the zero point method, the optimal solution of (P2) is  $x_{12}^2 = 6$ ,  $x_{13}^2 = 1$ ,  $x_{23}^2 = 2$ ,  $x_{31}^2 = 8$ ,  $x_{33}^2 = 1$ ,  $x_{34}^2 = 3$  and the minimum transportation cost is 144.

Now, using the supplied FTP, solve the following issue (P1):

Supply

	2	3	11	7	<b>6</b>
	1	0	6	1	<b>1</b>
	5	8	15	9	<b>17</b>
Demand	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>

With  $x_{ij}^1 \leq x_{ij}^2$

Now, by the zero point method, the optimal solution of (P1) is  $x_{12}^1 = 5$ ,  $x_{13}^1 = 1$ ,  $x_{23}^1 = 1$ ,  $x_{31}^1 = 7$ ,  $x_{33}^1 = 1$ ,  $x_{34}^1 = 3$  and the minimum transportation cost is 100.

As a result, the best FTP option is  $x_{12} = (5, 6, 11)$ ;  $x_{13} = (1, 1, 1)$ ;  $x_{23} = (1, 2, 3)$ ;  $x_{31} = (7, 8, 11)$ ;  $x_{33} = (1, 1, 2)$ ;  $x_{34} = (2, 3, 4)$  and the entire minimum fuzzily calculated transit price is (100, 144, 278).

## 5. Conclusion

The produced fuzzy ideal solution and fuzzy relative efficiency are both non-negative fuzzy numbers, which is the main advantage of a proposed technique. Because the suggested technique is based just on classical transportation method, it is simple to learn and implement to identify the fuzzy optimal solution to fuzzy transportation issues that arise in real-world scenarios. The suggested technique generates an optimum solution that may be used by decision makers when dealing with real-world transportation problems with fuzzy parameters.

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