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ABSTRACT

Globally, hydrogen is being recognized as an alternate energy source to meet the growing energy demand. Hydrogen carriers and different transportation modes in the hydrogen economy will lead to number of alternative transportation pathways. Specifically, growth in the merchant hydrogen market has drawn attention to develop a fully integrated supply chain network considering all the alternative transportation pathways in a safer way. The purpose of this work is to present a transportation model for the hydrogen economy that considers economic and safety objectives. The pathways to hydrogen will be reviewed and listed into an alternative production pathway superstructure diagram. Potential alternative hydrogen carriers along with the associated processing will be prescreened to solve the optimization problem. The economic objective focuses on transportation cost along with the processing cost for that particular value chain. On the other hand, the safety objective focuses on risk analysis along the route based on hydrogen carrier, transportation mode, and population density. Multi-objective optimization techniques are used to trade-off the economic and safety objectives while detailing the supply chain configurations.

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NOMENCLATURE

PHMSA	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration			
CFS	Commodity Flow Survey			
DOT	Department of Transportation			
TFC	Total Feedstock Cost			
TFCC	Total Feedstock Conversion Cost			
TTC	Total Transportation Cost			
TBCC	Total Back Conversion Cost			
TSCC	Total Supply Chain Cost			
CCPS	Center for Chemical Process Safety			
CPQRA	Chemical Process Quantitative Risk Analysis			
TPD	Tons per Day			
MMSCFY	Million Standard Cubic Feet per Year			
ETA	Event Tree Analysis			
HAZMAT	Hazardous Material			
SETS				
Carrier	set of hydrogen carriers			
PARAMETERS				
Т	Number of transportation modes			
Ι	Number of suppliers			
J	Number of plants (sinks/consumers)			
F	Number of feedstock			
UP	Unit price of feedstock, \$/kg of H-content in feedstock			

UPConv	Unit price of conversion, \$/kg of H-content produced			
UPTran	Unit price of transportation, \$/kg of H-content transported			
UPBConv	Unit price of back conversion, \$/kg of Hydrogen produced			
Y	Conversion factor, kg H-content in Hydrogen carrier/kg H-content in			
	feedstock			
Z	Back Conversion factor, kg Hydrogen produced/kg H-content in			
	Hydrogen carrier			
d	Distance between supplier and plant, miles			
D	Demand at plant location, kg of Hydrogen			
S	Supply of feedstock at supplier location, kg of H-content in feedstock			
m	Maximum Capacity of hydrogen carrier per transportation pathway, kg H-			
	content in hydrogen carrier			
e	Epsilon Constraint for Risk objective function, fatalities/year			
R	Risk Index for alternative pathway, fatalities/mile/year			
VARIABLES				
S	Hydrogen carrier produced at supplier end using a certain feedstock, kg H-			
	content in hydrogen carrier			
р	Transportation flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier to plant			
	location using certain transportation mode, kg of H-content transported			
x	Feedstock allocation for hydrogen carrier production, fraction			
RISK	Overall Transportation Risk, fatalities/year			

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1. INTRODUCTION

Hydrogen as an energy resource will reduce dependency on fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse gases. Many countries relying on oil and gas imports to meet energy demand are looking for ways to envision future hydrogen economy. Globally, hydrogen production from natural gas and other hydrocarbons accounts for approx. 76-77%, from coal accounts for approx. 19-20% and from renewable sources account for approx. 3-4% (Bakenne, Nuttall, & Kazantzis, 2016). In case of US, almost all of the hydrogen production is by steam reforming of natural gas, and due to low natural gas price this will be dominating feedstock. Global hydrogen consumption was approx. 63 Million Tons as of 2016 and has a potential to grow till 78 Million Tons by 2022(A, 2018). Another report states that hydrogen is expected to meet 18% of total energy demand by 2050("Hydrogen scaling up: A sustainable pathway for the global energy transition," 2017). Presently, hydrogen is widely used in refineries and fertilizer industry and expected to have growth in demand(Bakenne et al., 2016). Captive hydrogen production accounts for nearly all hydrogen utilized in methanol and ammonia production, but is not the case for oil refining. Refineries have captive production capabilities but also rely on merchant market. And hydrogen has significant potential across all applications – such as in power generation, transportation, industrial energy, building heat and power and industry feedstock("Hydrogen scaling up: A sustainable pathway for the global energy transition," 2017). Growing fuel cell applications in automotive sector, increasing demand in refineries due to tighter sulfur spec in fuels, and increasing sour natural gas processing in many regions of the world, are few factors leading to growth in merchant market. Captive market comprises of 88% of market share while merchant market is 12% with 2% error bound for both types (Elizabeth Connelly, 2019) as shown in figure (1). Merchant market needs to meet two types of demand scenarios, the high demand as with refineries and low demand as with envisioned hydrogen fuel cell based economy. And when it comes to transport hydrogen to low / high demand locations, there needs to be a better understanding about minimum cost to meet the demand. Production facility needs to be near the high demand area rather than low demand areas, as hydrogen transportation is practically a major concern. One of the motivation of this research is whether to produce hydrogen at central facility and distribute or produce at a local facility to meet the local demand. If production is planned at local facilities in distributed form, then what are the alternatives available to supply these facility? With growing demand and envisioned future hydrogen-based economy, the merchant market has a major concern of transportation safety.



Figure 1: Market share by its type

And as transportation of hydrogen is one of the major hurdle in future hydrogen-based economy. Both the economic and safety aspects associated with hydrogen / hydrogen carrier transportation needs attention before developing a sustainable infrastructure. Selecting a certain

alternative transportation pathway to meet the growing hydrogen demand is one of the huge challenges for hydrogen-based economy.



Figure 2: Hydrogen Value Chain

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

There is significant impact on society due to incidents involving transportation of hazardous materials. Leading to public aversion to hazards associated with hazardous material transport. Gerboni and Salvador(Gerboni & Salvador, 2009) focused on results obtained from a risk assessment of hydrogen transportation technologies. Risk quantification as an additional source of externality to the cost of transporting hydrogen was obtained with the support of a commercial numerical simulation software that is specifically designed to deal hazards in process industry environment. Rusin and Stolecka(Rusin & Stolecka, 2015) presented an analysis of the possibility of reducing the level of risk related to pipelines transporting CO_2 and H_2 by means of safety valve. Kim and Moon(Kim & Moon, 2008) proposed a mathematical model for hydrogen infrastructure cost and safety, this model considers the relative risk of individual activities and we cannot interpret the societal risk quantitatively. N. Bariha et al.(Bariha, Mishra, & Srivastava, 2016) discussed the hazard analysis of natural gas pipelines using simplified equations related to rupture characteristics, operating conditions and fluid properties. J. Lobato et al.(Lobato, Cañizares, Rodrigo, Sáez, & Linares, 2006) performed the vulnerability analysis for hydrogen explosion with a laboratory case study. Chi Zhang(Zhang, Nguyen, Eljack, Linke, & El-Halwagi, 2018) proposed a linear model for minimizing the transportation cost of HazMat with risk as a constraint. This model needs sufficient HazMat incident data to correlate transportation incident frequency with distance from origin to incident location. Data from PHMSA-Hazmat incident report search can be analyzed and hydrogen carriers' incident data can be considered towards probability of failure. André Hugo(Hugo, Rutter, Pistikopoulos, Amorelli, & Zoia, 2005) proposed a generic optimization model for the design and strategic long-term investment planning of future hydrogen economy. The model considers several primary feedstock and their transportation but

lacks safety aspects. Quest Consultants(Inc., 2009) presented quantitative risk analysis for study conducted to compute individual risk due to the different transportation fuels at the refueling stations and during transportation. M. Moreno-Benito(Moreno-Benito, Agnolucci, & Papageorgiou, 2017) focused on designing optimal infrastructure for sustainable hydrogen economy considering potential production pathways. But this model lacks hydrogen carriers (sources) transportation and safety aspects.

This research presents transportation model for hydrogen and hydrogen carriers considering economic and safety objectives. Every part of world has its advantages and disadvantages to use certain alternative pathway. A generic multi objective optimization framework is developed that will help to systematically evaluate the hazards and bring together the alternative pathways for the hydrogen economy. Quantitative risk analysis for this study uses similar methodology that is used by Quest Consultants(Inc., 2009). Also as per CPQRA, 2nd Edition(CCPS, 2000) risk indices is used to calculate the societal risk in the form of average rate of death. The epsilon constrained method is used here to convert multi objective problem single objective optimization problem as presented by Chi Zhang(Zhang et al., 2018). A Pareto curve is obtained between transportation cost and the transportation risk. With conversion cost plotted with separate axis to understand the conversion cost corresponding to particular optimal material allocation cost and risk.

3. ALTERNATIVE PATHWAY SYNTHESIS

In literature, there are number of production pathways to hydrogen with fossil fuels, biomass, waste gas streams, water can be used as feedstock. Most of the production processes might be unfeasible from economic stand point. But, there are many processes that have potential scope and are economically feasible. The important task of production pathway synthesis is to identify alternative hydrogen carriers. For production pathway synthesis, this research adopts the synthesis approach by Pham(Pham & El-Halwagi, 2012).

3.1. Pathway synthesis

Synthesis approach introduced by (Pham & El-Halwagi, 2012) involves using the branching, matching and interception techniques. There are two types of branching, feedstock-forward tree and product-backward tree. After the feedstock-forward and product-backward production pathways are synthesized, matching and interception tasks are performed. If same production intermediate is at the node of feedstock-forward tree and product-backward tree, then that intermediate is matched to complete the pathway. If the two intermediates are different, and there exists a process to convert the intermediate at feedstock-forward to intermediate at product-backward node, these are connected and this connection is called interception.

3.2. Alternative production pathway superstructure

The first step is to review all the possible pathways to hydrogen production. Reviewing all possible pathways will give a detailed idea on potential hydrogen carriers those could be considered in supply chain model. Table (2) lists all the alternative production pathways for hydrogen. And the feedstock and products are represented as nodes in the superstructure as shown

in figure (1). Every node is a different hydrogen carrier, and further prescreening of transportation modes will be done for feasible hydrogen carriers to be considered towards the supply chain network problem.



Figure 3: Alternative Production Pathway Superstructure

Node	Hydrogen Carrier		
А	Biomass		
В	Glycerol		
С	Ethanol		
D	Methane		
Е	Coal		
F	Methanol		
G	Water		
Н	Gasoline		
Ι	Propane		
J	Formaldehyde		
K	Syngas		
L	Ammonia		
Μ	Hydrogen		

Table 1: Node symbols for hydrogen carriers

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Table 2:	Production	Technologies of	of Alternative	Production	Pathways to]	Hvdrogen
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Pathway	Method Name	Feedstock	Product	Reference
1	Steam Reforming	Methane	Syngas	(Rostrup-Nielsen, 1993)
2	Oxychlorination	Methane	Methanol	(Holmen, 2009)
3	Partial Oxidation	Methane	Formaldehyde	(Holmen, 2009)
4	WGS &	Syngas	Hydrogen	(Demirbaş, 2002; Rostrup-
	Purification			Nielsen, 1993)
5	Steam Reforming	Methanol	Hydrogen	(de Wild & Verhaak, 2000;
				Kayfeci, Keçebaş, & Bayat,
				2019)
6	Steam Reforming	Gasoline	Hydrogen	(Kayfeci et al., 2019)
7	Steam Reforming	Ethanol	Hydrogen	(Kayfeci et al., 2019; Ni,
				Leung, & Leung, 2007)

Table 2 Continued:

Pathway	Method Name	Feedstock	Product	Reference
8	Electrolysis	Water	Hydrogen	(Bamberger & Richardson,
				1976; Kayfeci et al., 2019)
9	Liquid phase	Glycerol	Hydrogen	(Schwengber et al., 2016)
	reforming			
10	Steam Reforming	Glycerol	Hydrogen	(Schwengber et al., 2016)
11	ATR	Glycerol	Hydrogen	(Schwengber et al., 2016)
12	Supercritical	Glycerol	Hydrogen	(Schwengber et al., 2016)
	water reforming			
13	Gasification	Biomass	Syngas	(Demirbaş, 2002)
14	Transesterificatio	Biomass	Glycerol	(Tan, Abdul Aziz, & Aroua,
	n			2013)
15	Saponification	Biomass	Glycerol	(Tan et al., 2013)
16	Hydrolysis	Biomass	Glycerol	(Tan et al., 2013)
17	Anaerobic	Biomass	Methane	(Chynoweth, Owens, &
	Digestion			Legrand, 2001)
18	Anaerobic	Glycerol	Methane	(Viana, Freitas, Leitão, Pinto,
	Digestion			& Santaella, 2012)
19	Syngas to	Syngas	Ammonia	(Wilhelm, Simbeck, Karp, &
	Ammonia			Dickenson, 2001)
20	Decomposition	Ammonia	Hydrogen	(Choudhary, Sivadinarayana,
				& Goodman, 2001)
21	Partial Oxidation	Propane	Hydrogen	(Kayfeci et al., 2019;
				Laosiripojana &
				Assabumrungrat, 2006;
				Silberova, Venvik, & Holmen,
				2005)

Table 2 Continued:

Pathway	Method Name	Feedstock	Product	Reference
22	Oxidative Steam	Propane	Hydrogen	(Kayfeci et al., 2019;
	Reforming			Laosiripojana &
				Assabumrungrat, 2006;
				Silberova et al., 2005)
23	Formaldehyde to	Formaldehyde	Hydrogen	(Bi & Lu, 2008)
	Hydrogen			
24	Classical	Coal	Syngas	(Casper, 1978)
	Gasification			
25	Membrane	Coal	Hydrogen	(Casper, 1978)
	Gasification			
26	Fermentation	Biomass	Ethanol	(Ni et al., 2007)
27	Thermal Cracking	Methane	Hydrogen	(Kayfeci et al., 2019)

4. OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM FORMULATION

4.1. Problem statement

Hydrogen can be produced from various feedstock and different production pathways. Detailed analysis of these potential pathways will provide number of alternatives on feedstock and production intermediates as hydrogen carriers. Objective of this research is to integrate safety into transportation problem of hydrogen economy by evaluating alternative hydrogen carriers and transportation modes to minimize transportation cost and safety. The alternative transportation pathways will be evaluated based on their economic and safety aspects. Conversion and cost parameters are assumed to be same for all locations. And all the transportation pathways are explicitly considered for domestic transportation.

4.2. Objectives

- 1. Identify feedstock and production intermediates as alternative hydrogen carriers and their feasible transportation modes
- 2. Quantify risk associated with hydrogen carriers and transportation modes
- 3. Develop optimization framework for the transportation problem
- 4. Evaluate the trade-off between supply chain network cost and safety

4.3. Network design

A basic supply chain is considered for the hydrogen economy with multiple suppliers and multiple sinks. Every supplier is expected to a have a set of feedstock to produce hydrogen carriers via different conversion technologies. Every sink is expected to have a set of conversion technologies to convert the hydrogen carriers to hydrogen. Every prescreened hydrogen carrier from alternative production pathway superstructure has certain economically viable transportation modes. The supply chain network shown in figure 2, is for a particular transportation mode of a particular hydrogen carrier from all suppliers to sinks. For overall optimized supply chain network, there will be number of supply chain configurations with different transportation modes and hydrogen carriers. Figure 3, represents supplier i with different feedstock or can be hydrogen carriers and conversion technologies leading to h hydrogen carriers. Figure 4, represents sink j with h hydrogen carriers and respective back conversion technologies to produce hydrogen and meet the demand.



Hydrogen_Carrier_h Transportation_mode_t

Figure 4: Supply Chain network for hydrogen carrier *h* and transportation mode *t*



Figure 5: Supplier *i* in supply chain network



Figure 6: Sink *j*

4.4. Optimization frameworks

The objective of this research is to minimize the overall supply chain network cost. The amounts of feedstock that need to be used at the supplier location, amounts of hydrogen carriers that need to be shipped between each supplier and sink to meet the demand are the optimization variables.

The cost of feedstock f from supplier i is calculated by the product of feedstock f used at supplier i for production of hydrogen carrier h, and the unit price of feedstock f. The total feedstock cost (TFC) for the supply chain network is as shown in equation (1).

$$TFC = \sum_{f} \sum_{i} \sum_{h} \left(\frac{s_{f,i,h}}{Y_{f,h}} \right) \left(UP_{f} \right)$$
(1)

Where TFC is the total feedstock cost, $s_{f,i,h}$ is the hydrogen carrier *h* produced at supplier *i* using feedstock *f*, $Y_{f,h}$ is the yield of hydrogen carrier *h* from feedstock *f* and UP_f is the unit price of feedstock *f*.

The cost of feedstock conversion is calculated by the product of hydrogen carrier h produced from feedstock f at supplier i, and the unit price of conversion of feedstock f to hydrogen carrier h. The total feedstock conversion cost (TFCC) for the supply chain network is as shown in equation (2).

$$TFCC = \sum_{f} \sum_{i} \sum_{h} (s_{f,i,h}) (UPConv_{f,h})$$
(2)

Where TFCC is the total feedstock conversion cost, $s_{f,i,h}$ is the hydrogen carrier *h* produced from feedstock *f* at supplier location *i*, and *UPConv*_{*f*,*h*} is the unit price of conversion of feedstock *f* to hydrogen carrier *h*.

The cost of transportation is calculated by the product of flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and transportation mode t, distance between supplier i and sink j using transportation mode t, and unit price of transporting hydrogen carrier h using transportation mode *t*. The total transportation cost for the supply chain network is as shown in equation (3).

$$TTC = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{h} \sum_{t} (p_{i,j,h,t}) (d_{i,j,t}) (UPTran_{h,t})$$
(3)

Where TTC is the total transportation cost, $p_{i,j,h,t}$ is the transportation flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier *i* to sink *j* using hydrogen carrier h and transportation mode *t*, $d_{i,j,t}$ is the distance between supplier *i* and sink *j* using transportation mode *t*, and *UPTran*_{h,t} is the unit price of transporting hydrogen carrier *h* using transportation mode *t*.

The cost of back conversion is calculated by the product of flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and transportation mode t, and unit price of back conversion of hydrogen carrier h to hydrogen. The total back conversion cost for the supply chain network is as shown in equation (4).

$$TBCC = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{h} \sum_{t} \left(p_{i,j,h,t} \right) \left(UPBConv_{h} \right)$$
(4)

Where TBCC is the total back conversion cost, $p_{i,j,h,t}$ is the flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier *i* to sink *j* using hydrogen carrier *h* and transportation mode *t*, and *UPBConv_h* is the unit price of back conversion of hydrogen carrier *h* to hydrogen.

Total supply chain cost is the summation of total feedstock cost, total feedstock conversion cost, total transportation cost and total back conversion cost as shown in equation (5).

$$TSCC = TFC + TFCC + TTC + TBCC$$
(5)

Where TSCC is the total cost of supply chain network.

Another objective of this research is to minimize the risk of transportation of hazardous hydrogen carriers in the overall supply chain network.

The overall risk of the supply chain network is calculated as shown in equation (6 - 1, 2) $R = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{h} \sum_{t} (R_{i,j,h,t}) * (N_{i,j,h,t})$ (6 - 1)

$$R_{i,j,h,t} = \sum_{k} (Pr_k) * (C_k) \qquad \forall i \in I, j \in J, h \in H, t \in T, k \in K_{h,t} \quad (6-2)$$

Where $R_{i,j,h,t}$ is the measure of societal risk associated with hydrogen carrier *h* from supplier *i* and sink *j* using transportation mode *t*. Pr_k is the probability of incident of transporting hazardous hydrogen carrier *h* transportation mode *t*, C_k is the consequence of incident of transporting hazardous hydrogen carrier *h* using transporting mode *t*, and $N_{i,j,h,t}$ is the number of trips of transporting hazardous hydrogen carrier *h* from supplier *i* to sink *j* using transportation mode *t*.

The number of trips of transporting hazardous hydrogen carrier is determined by flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and transportation mode t and the carrying capacity of hazardous hydrogen carrier h by transportation mode t as shown in equation (7).

$$N_{i,j,h,t} = \frac{p_{i,j,h,t}}{M_{h,t}} \qquad \forall i \in I, j \in J, h \in H, t \in T \quad (7)$$

Where $M_{h,t}$ is the capacity of transporting hydrogen carrier h using transportation mode t.

The demand of hydrogen at sink j is the summation of flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and yield of hydrogen from product h.

$$D_{j} = \sum_{i} \sum_{h} \sum_{t} \left(p_{i,j,h,t} \right) (Z_{h}) \qquad \forall j \in J$$
(8)

Where D_j is the demand of hydrogen at sink j, $p_{i,j,h,t}$ is flow rate of hydrogen content from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and Z_h yield of hydrogen from product h.

The supply of feedstock f from supplier i to all sinks needs to be less than the capacity of that supplier as shown in equation (9).

$$(S_{f,i})(x_{f,i,h}) \ge \frac{s_{f,i,h}}{Y_{f,h}} \qquad \forall f \in F, i \in I, h \in H$$
(9)

$$\sum_{f} s_{f,i,h} = \sum_{j} \sum_{t} (p_{i,j,h,t}) (Z_{h}) \qquad \forall i \in I, h \in H$$
(10)

$$\sum_{h} x_{f,i,h} \le 1 \qquad \qquad \forall f \in F, i \in I \qquad (11)$$

This study adopts the ε -constraint method and which is used by Chi Zhang(Zhang et al., 2018) to change this multi objective optimization problem into a single objective problem with risk as a constraint. This risk constraint will be given an upper bound of ε . And the optimization problem will be solved at each upper bound value, and the minimum TC value will be determined at each upper bound value to form a pareto optimum curve. With risk, demand and supply constraints, the ε -constraint method is as shown in equation (12).

minimize TSCC (Eq. 5)

subject to:

Demand constraints (Eq. 8)

Supply constraints (Eq. 9, 10, 11)

 $R \leq \epsilon$

Where equation (12) is a linear model. This linear model is be applied to AMPL to solve for the decision variables of this overall supply chain network.

(12)

4.5. Risk quantification

Public aversion towards hazards associated with hazardous material transportation needs consideration towards overall damage potential of any hazard. Risk is defined as the product of probability of incident and its consequence.



Figure 7: Risk Index for Societal Risk

The first step in risk analysis is to determine the potential releases. This research uses the historical pipeline and hazardous material incident data available with U.S. DOT Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (U.S. Department of Transportation). All the incidents mentioned in this analysis includes incidents from 2010 – 2019. This PHMSA database has detail information about each incident. Information such as mode of transportation, phase of transportation, hazardous material category, commodity name, and quantity released, packaging type, failure cause and description, consequences due to incident such as spillage, fire, explosion, gas dispersion, environmental damage, fatalities involved, incident event description, incident city, incident state, and incident zip code. In addition to this, hazardous materials database mentions about the origin city, origin state and origin zip code. This data is helpful to underline the potential releases for a hazardous hydrogen carrier being transported by any transportation mode.

Second step is to determine the probability of incident of each of the identified releases. To estimate the incident probability, there is a need for extensive incident data analysis. Current study adopts the methodology that is being recommended by (CCPS, 2000) to estimate the incident frequency. Previously, ton-miles data available from (Bureau, 2012) has been used in QRA studies (Inc., 2009). Generally, ton-miles data is available per hazard category and class. Very few HazMat specific ton-miles based on the UN Number are available in the survey. (Inc., 2009) used the HazMat miles for a specific chemical equivalent to the HazMat miles of that hazardous material category. They used HazMat miles of Hazardous material category 2.2 for anhydrous ammonia. Ton-miles is calculated by multiplying number of shipments, average transportation of material per shipment and the average distance of transportation. To obtain the similar HazMat miles in present time, this study will use the latest ton-miles data (2012) by dividing average capacity per shipment for that specific hazardous material category.

Hazmat ton miles = Total number of shipments * average capacity per shipment * average distance traveled per shipment (13)

Therefore,

$$Hazmat \ total \ miles = \frac{Hazmat \ ton \ miles}{average \ capacity \ per \ shipment}$$
(14)

General probability of incident is calculated as follows:

General Probability of Incident =
$$\frac{Number \ of \ incidents}{Hazmat \ total \ miles}$$
 (15)



Figure 8: General Probability of Incident Estimation Approach

To determine the conditional probability and probability of incident outcome cases, this research categorizes the incident events in categories as follows:

- Minor releases These releases are generally small leaks those are mostly related but not limited to corrosion. Minor releases are characterized as 0.25 inch diameter hole.
- Moderate releases These releases are categorized as component leaks, punctures due to accidental damage. Moderate releases are characterized as 1 inch diameter hole.
- Major releases These releases are categorized as large chemical releases due rupture of piping and valves damages. Major releases are characterized as hole with pipe diameter or size corresponding to largest connection to tank.

 Catastrophic failure – If the tanker releases a large amount of content within small time span due to a rollover incident or vehicular damage.

Every hazardous material has specific set of outcome cases, and based on the historical incidents the conditional probabilities of these categories help to estimate the probability for specific outcome case.

Third step is to determine the fatalities resulting from each release. The incident releases with different hydrogen carriers may result in one or multiple potential hazards:

- 1. Jet fire thermal radiation exposure due to release of hazardous chemicals with flammable property
- Pool fire thermal radiation exposure due to release of hazardous chemicals with flammable property
- 3. Vapor cloud explosion hazard exposure such as overpressure
- 4. Exposure to toxic hazard due to release of hazardous chemicals with toxic properties

All these hazards have different measure for its consequence. In order to numerically quantify each hazard and make them comparable for this research is very important. In transportation of hazardous materials, population in the vicinity of these transporting routes have lethal effects. Every hazardous material upon its release possess certain hazards and those hazards have specific forms of consequence. In order to quantify these hazards based on its effect on nearby population, probit functions are used. As listed above, the hazardous material release might be due to leaks, punctures, ruptures or catastrophic failure of containers. Every release has different characteristics. In hazard quantification, set of models are used to understand all kind of releases. Source models are useful to understand the material discharge and calculate the discharge rate of hazardous material based on the physical state of materials, size of holes, operating temperature and pressure of system. Also, if the data has details about total amount of quantity release, these models can be used to calculate the release time and vice versa.

Fourth step is to calculate the risk of every possible outcome once the probability and consequence are calculated. Brief incident risk calculation flowchart is shown in figure (7). And last step is to quantify risk for in-transit mode as shown in figure (5), average rate of death (ROD) can be efficiently used as a risk indices since it is a measure of societal risk (CCPS, 2000). Average rate of death (ROD) is a risk indices calculated by adding incident risks from all outcomes.

Figure 9: Incident Risk Assessment Framework



The discharge rate depends on following parameters(CCPS, 2000):

- The hole area
- Pressure inside and outside of the container
- Physical properties of hazardous material
- Temperature of hazardous material

Objective of this risk quantification is to estimate the impact on population in the vicinity of transporting routes. Then according to (CCPS, 2000), source models are selected to maximize the mass discharge rates and maximize the downwind hazardous material concentrations.

Thus hazard quantification needs following sequence of analysis to get the numerical value (CCPS, 2000):

- Selection of a release incident
- Selection of source model to describe release incident
- Selection of dispersion model
- Selection of fire and explosion model for flammable materials
- Selection of effect model for toxic materials and flammable materials

5. CASE STUDY

Hydrogen can be have different carriers as mentioned in earlier section. This case study is based on hydrogen-based economy in the USA. Looking at some potential emerging markets this case study will demonstrate the trade-off between the overall supply chain cost and risk.

5.1. Hydrogen carriers

Based on alternative pathway synthesis, the alternative pathway superstructure for hydrogen production has many nodes representing the intermediates in any particular process or can be feedstock itself. After prescreening the hydrogen carriers and feedstock based on the market availability and established infrastructure for their transportation following hydrogen carriers are considered:

- 1. Natural gas
- 2. Methanol
- 3. Ammonia
- 4. Hydrogen



Figure 10: Hydrogen Density (kg H2/m3)
Even though hydrogen has very few transportation infrastructure that is the main focus of our research. There are many more possibilities, but these are the hydrogen carriers considered towards case study.

5.2. Conversion of hydrogen carriers to hydrogen

To produce hydrogen from natural gas (methane), (Gary, 2007) provides the details about hydrogen production unit utility data. This utility data is used to get the conversion cost for natural gas (methane) to hydrogen. Utility data for ammonia production plant is available with (Corporation, 2020). Based on this utility data, the conversion cost is calculated. Utility data for methanol synthesis from natural gas is available with (Blumberg, Morosuk, & Tsatsaronis, 2019). Based on this data, the conversion cost is calculated. For Hydrogen production from methanol the utility data being used is available with (Mahler-AG). For ammonia cracking, the utility data is considered from (Brown, 2017; Giddey, Badwal, Munnings, & Dolan, 2017; Thomas & Parks, 2006). All these conversion cost data has certain assumptions. References used to calculate this cost has yield, and most of the utilities consumption data. Few pathways have certain assumptions for utility consumption in the processes. Depreciation of capital cost for any of the facility is not considered.



Figure 11: Conversion cost, \$/kg H₂ produced



Figure 12: Conversion Cost, \$/kg H₂ produced (Graph)

5.3. Suppliers and consumers

Natural Gas	Supplier 1	Supplier 2	Supplier 3
Annual Supply (MMSCF/yr)	7.81	12.53	9.37

Hydrogen	Plant 1	Plant 2	Plant 3	Plant 4
Annual Demand (tons/yr)	35	40	23.75	43.75

5.4. Transportation parameters

5.4.1. Transportation modes and distances

Highway (miles)	Plant 1	Plant 2	Plant 3	Plant 4
Supplier 1	1500	300	1300	120
Supplier 2	1105	75	1050	400
Supplier 3	620	900	1050	1150

Railway (miles)	Plant 1	Plant 2	Plant 3	Plant 4
Supplier 1	1650	320	1400	130
Supplier 2	1250	120	1120	390
Supplier 3	700	1005	1200	1290

Pipeline (miles)	Plant 1	Plant 2	Plant 3	Plant 4
Supplier 1	1350	220	1050	10
Supplier 2	1200	70	900	360
Supplier 3	500	1000	1050	1090

5.4.2. Transportation cost

Transportation cost for all the alternative transportation pathways are converted in hydrogen content basis to use it as parameter in the case study. The freight transportation working paper (Austin, 2015) mentions the average cost for trucks is 15.6 cents per ton-mile while for railways it is 5.1 cents per ton-mile. The costs for Methanol road, methanol rail, ammonia road, ammonia rail, natural gas road and hydrogen road transportation are calculated based on this cost on the basis of hydrogen content. Cost for hydrogen transportation by tube trailers is referred from (Yang & Ogden, 2007). Cost for natural gas pipeline is referred from tariff cost (Newsome). Cost for ammonia pipeline transportation is referred from (*Local and Volume Incentive Pipeline Tariff*, 2017; Thomas & Parks, 2006).



Figure 13: Transportation cost (¢/kg H₂ Content) – 1



Figure 14: Transportation cost (¢/kg H2 Content) – 2

5.5. Risk Calculation

Every hydrogen carrier on its release possess different types of hazards. There might be overpressure hazards, toxic exposure hazards, or radiant heat hazard, etc. Ammonia is a toxic gas and results in toxic gas exposure. Methanol is flammable as well as toxic, thus possess fire and toxic hazards. Natural gas and hydrogen are flammable, and possess fire and explosion hazards. To quantify risk for all the hydrogen carriers, common measure for their hazard is necessary in the optimization framework. Also, every hazard has different lethal exposure limits. When we compare all the hydrogen carriers, it is necessary to compare hazards with equivalent lethal exposures.

Historical incident data for hazardous material transportation was retrieved from U.S. DOT Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration in 2020 (U.S. Department of Transportation).

Hydrogen Carrier	Number of incidents (2010-2019)			
, g	Highway	Railway	Pipeline	
Methanol	40	65	NA	
Ammonia	93	92	65	
Natural gas	17	NA	1173	
Hydrogen	10	NA	3	

 Table 3: Historical incident data (2010-2019)

5.5.1. Ammonia

Ammonia is a non-flammable gas and comes under hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3. From 2010 there had been many incident while transporting ammonia. Anhydrous ammonia is transported by road, rail and pipeline. PHMSA provides incident details for all these three transportation modes. In period 2010 - 2019, incidents involving anhydrous ammonia transportation (In transit) are as follows:

Mode of Transportation	No. of Incidents
Highway	93
Railway	92
Pipeline	65

Table 4: Ammonia Incidents (2010-2019)

5.5.1.1. Highway transportation

In highway transportation, during last ten years (2010-2019) there have total 192 in-transit incidents with bulk transportation under hazardous material class 2.2 and 2.3. This bulk transportation was mainly done with containers like MC 330, 331, 338, 311 are used. Hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3 total ton miles for trucks is 9.55E+09 per year (Bureau, 2012). Commonly used category of tanker for ammonia transportation is MC331(Inc., 2009). As this is the standard capacity of ammonia tanker trucks.

Parameters for MC331 tanks(Inc., 2009):

Parameter	Value
Design pressure	250 psig
Tank diameter	86 in
Shell thickness	0.4 in
Capacity	10,000 gallons
Shape	hemispherical
Temperature	100 F
Operating pressure	200 psig

With 10,000 gallons capacity, this will be approximately 25 tonnes of ammonia per shipment. This 25 tons of ammonia will ship 4400 kg of hydrogen per shipment. Incident probability calculation is based on the general historical incident from PHMSA and vehicle miles traveled estimated from the U.S. Commodity Flow Survey(Bureau, 2012) ton miles data generated every 5 years.

Hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3(Bureau, 2012), Truck Ton-Miles = 9.55E+09 per year.

HazMat total-miles for anhydrous ammonia by highways = $\frac{9.55 * 10^9}{25} = 3.82E+08$ trip-

miles/year.

There are 192 incidents with highway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{192}{10 * 3.82 * 10^8}$ = 5.02E-08 incidents per mile per trip

per year

With this general probability of incident, event tree analysis is performed to get the probability of incident outcomes for ammonia highway transportation with conditional probability of failure from the available incident data.

Among 102, there are 93 ammonia incidents with highway bulk transportation. Among these 93 incidents there are 6 incident without ammonia release, 61 incidents with ammonia release with less than 100 ft³ in gas form, 19 incidents with ammonia release between 100-200 ft³ in gas form, and 7 incidents with release more than 200 ft³.



Figure 15: Ammonia Highway Incident Event Tree Analysis

Upon release of ammonia, the temperature drops from 100F to -28 F. If this is a minor leak, then the ammonia will suddenly vaporize. But if it's a major leak then ammonia will spill on ground and then gradually vaporizes.

As mentioned earlier, the minor releases will be due small leaks to the tanks may be due to corrosion, gasket failure, abrasion, etc. And these are characterized as 0.25 inch diameter hole. And similarly 0.5 inch for moderate releases. And for these ammonia trucks the maximum diameter of any piping or valve is 1 inch as per(Inc., 2009).

The liquid discharge rate from a tank of any geometry from a hole can be determined by equation (16) given by (Crowl & Louvar, 2002).

$$\dot{m} = \rho A C_D \sqrt{2 \left(\frac{g_c P_g}{\rho} + g h_L\right)}$$
(16)

 $\dot{m} =$ liquid mass discharge rate (kg/sec)

A = area of hole (m^2)

 C_D = discharge coefficient (dimensionless)

 $g_c = gravitational constant$

$$P_g$$
 = Gauge pressure at the top of the tank (N/m²)

 $\rho =$ liquid density (kg/m³)

g = Acceleration due to gravity (m/s²)

$$h_L$$
 = height of the liquid above hole (m)

Every release is considered to last for 10 minutes towards consequence analysis as per the previous studies (Inc., 2009). Probit functions can be applied to get the understanding about population affected by this toxic release.

Probit function for ammonia (Crowl & Louvar, 2002):

$$Y = -35.9 + 1.85 \ln \left(C^2 t \right) \tag{17}$$

Y = probit variable

$$C = concentration in ppm$$







To calculate the impacted area due to resulting concentration from probit function, dispersion models are needed. Even though this is liquid ammonia spill, the ammonia vaporizes quickly and this neutral buoyancy will occur well before it reaches the populated area. Here, Pascal-Gifford Gaussian plume model can be used (CCPS, 2000):

$$\langle C \rangle(x, y, z) = \frac{G}{2\pi\sigma_y\sigma_z u} e^{\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y}{\sigma_y}\right)^2\right]} * \left\{ e^{\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{z-H}{\sigma_z}\right)^2\right]} + e^{\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{z+H}{\sigma_z}\right)^2\right]} \right\}$$
(18)

 $\langle C \rangle(x, y, z)$ = the average concentration

G = the continuous release rate

 σ_x , σ_y , σ_z = dispersion coefficients in x, y, z directions

$$u =$$
wind speed

- y = cross wind direction
- z = distance above the ground

H = height of the source above ground level plus plume rise

For simplification, here H is considered as 0, and this research is focused on ground level ammonia concentration i.e. z = 0. Also y=0 as we get the maximum concentration of ammonia in every downwind distance as mentioned in (CCPS, 2000). Therefore,

$$\langle C \rangle max = \frac{G}{\pi \sigma_y \sigma_z u} \tag{19}$$

$$\sigma_{y} = e^{\left[4.23 + 0.9222 ln\left(\frac{x}{1000}\right) - 0.0087 \left[ln\left(\frac{x}{1000}\right)\right]^{2}\right]}$$
(20)

$$\sigma_z = e^{\left[3.414 + 0.7371 ln\left(\frac{x}{1000}\right) - 0.0316\left[ln\left(\frac{x}{1000}\right)\right]^2\right]}$$
(21)

In dispersion models, in absence of meteorological data it is recommended to use atmospheric stability D at 5 m/s and F at 2 m/s (CCPS, 2000). Here, stability D at 5 m/s is used: u = 5 m/s

Palassa Typa	Hole Size (mm)	Liquid discharge,
Release Type	Tible Size, (IIIII)	(kg/s)
Minor	6.35	2.96
Moderate	12.7	11.85
Major	25.4	47.42

Table 5: Ammonia release rate for highway transportation

Table 6: Ammonia release impact distance (m) for LC50 for highway transportation

Hole Size, (mm)	Ammonia LC ₅₀ (ppm)	Duration (U.S. Department of Transportation)	Downwind distance for LC ₅₀ (m)
6.35	19985	10	59.8
12.7	19985	10	126.5
25.4	19985	10	274.4

 $Consequence = P_D A V_c$

(22)

 P_D = Population density, persons/km²

 $A = Hazard impact area, km^2$

 $V_c = Vulnerability \ factor$

For this calculation, population density is considered as 1000 persons/km². Hazard area is calculated using the downwind impact distance. And vulnerability factor is considered as 0.05 as suggested by (Mannan, 2012).

Release	Impact radius,	Impact Area	PD	Vulnerability	Consequence
type	m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Minor	59.8	0.011	1000	0.05	0.55
Moderate	126.5	0.05	1000	0.05	2.50
Major	274.4	0.237	1000	0.05	11.85
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Table 7: Ammonia release consequence for highway transportation

 Table 8: Ammonia release risk for highway transportation

	Probability of release	Consequence	Risk (Fatalities
Release type	(incidents /mile/trip)	(Fatalities/event)	/trip/mile)
Minor	3.29E-08	0.55	1.81E-08
Moderate	1.02E-08	2.50	2.55E-08
Major	3.80E-09	11.85	4.50E-08

Overall risk (ROD) for ammonia highway transportation = **8.86E-08** fatalities/trip/mile/year.

5.5.1.2. Railway transportation

Hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3 (Bureau, 2012), Rail Ton-Miles = 5.35E+09 per year.

With railcar capacity of 80 tons per car, the hydrogen carrying capacity per shipment will be 14080 kg as per hydrogen content in ammonia.

HazMat total-miles for anhydrous ammonia by highways = $\frac{5.35 * 10^9}{80}$ = 6.69E+07 trip-

miles/year.

There are 300 incidents with railway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 2.2 and 2.3:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{300}{10 * 6.69 * 10^7}$ = 4.48E-07 incidents per mile per trip

Similarly for Rail transportation overall risk can be calculated. There are 92 ammonia incidents with railway transportation. Among these 92 incidents there is 1 incident without ammonia release, 89 incidents with ammonia release with less than 100 ft³, 2 incidents with ammonia release between 100-200 ft³.



Figure 17: Ammonia Railway Incident Event tree analysis

 Table 9: Ammonia release rate for railway transportation

Palassa Tura	Holo Siza (mm)	Liquid discharge,
Release Type	Hole Size, (IIIII)	(kg/s)
Minor	6.35	2.96
Moderate	12.7	11.85

Hole Size, (mm)	Ammonia LC ₅₀ (ppm)	Duration (U.S. Department of Transportation)	Downwind distance for LC ₅₀ (m)
6.35	19985	10	59.8
12.7	19985	10	126.5

Table 10: Ammonia release impact distance (m) for LC50 for railway transportation

 Table 11: Ammonia release consequence for railway transportation

Release	Impact radius,	Impact Area	PD	Vulnerability	Consequence
type	m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Minor	59.8	0.011	1000	0.05	0.55
Moderate	126.5	0.05	1000	0.05	2.50

 Table 12: Ammonia release risk for railway transportation

Delegge type	Probability of release	Consequence	Risk (Fatalities
Kelease type	(incidents /mile/trip)	(Fatalities/event)	/trip/mile)
Minor	4.34E-07	0.55	2.38E-07
Moderate	9.75E-09	2.50	2.44E-08

Overall risk for ammonia railway transportation = **2.62E-07** fatalities/trip/mile/year.

5.5.1.3. Pipeline transportation

There had been 65 ammonia pipeline incidents in the USA. Total of 3611 miles of ammonia pipeline in the USA as per annual pipeline data (U.S. Department of Transportation).

General Probability of Incident =
$$\frac{65}{10 * 3611}$$
 = 1.80E-03 incidents per mile per year

Among these 65 incidents, 62 incidents had minor releases and 3 incidents had major releases. Among the 62 incidents, 61 incidents resulted in small leaks and 1 incident resulted in rupture. Among 3 major releases two were due to leaks and one due to unknown reason.

Following parameters are considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation) in below table:

Tuble Iet Immonia pi	penne parameter
Parameter	Value
Design pressure	1100 psig
Pipeline diameter	8 in
Shell thickness	0.50 in
Operating pressure	1029 psig

Table 13: Ammonia pipeline parameters



Figure 18: Ammonia Pipeline Incident Event Tree Analysis

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Dalaasa Tuna	Hole Size (mm)	Liquid discharge,
Kelease Type	Hole Size, (IIIII)	(kg/s)
Minor	6.35	4.72
Moderate	12.7	18.89

Hole Size, (mm)	Ammonia LC ₅₀ (ppm)	Duration (U.S. Department of Transportation)	Downwind distance for LC ₅₀ (m)
6.35	19985	10	78
12.7	19985	10	163.5

Table 15: Ammonia release impact distance (m) for LC50 for pipeline transportation

 Table 16: Ammonia release consequence for pipeline transportation

Release	Impact radius,	Impact Area	PD	Vulnerability	Consequence
type	m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(fatalities/incident)
Minor	78	0.019	1000	0.05	0.96
Moderate	163.5	0.084	1000	0.05	4.20

Table 17: Ammonia release risk for pipeline transportation

Release type	Probability of release (incidents /mile/trip/year)	Consequence (fatalities/year)	Risk (fatalities /trip/mile/year)
Minor	1.71E-03	0.96	1.64E-03
Moderate	8.46E-05	4.20	3.55E-04

Overall risk for ammonia railway transportation = **1.99E-03** fatalities/mile/year.

5.5.2. Hydrogen

Hydrogen is a highly flammable gas and comes under hazardous material category 2.1. From 2010 there had been very few incidents while transporting hydrogen. Hydrogen is transported by road, and pipelines. PHMSA (U.S. Department of Transportation) provides incident details for these transportation modes. In the period 2010-2019, incidents involving compressed hydrogen transportation (In transit) are as follows:

Mode of Transportation	No. of Incidents
Highway	10
Pipeline	3

 Table 18: Compressed hydrogen incidents (2010-2019)

5.5.2.1. Highway transportation

In highway transportation, during last ten years (2010-2019) there have total 916 in-transit incidents with bulk transportation under hazardous material class 2.1. Hazardous material category 2.1 total ton miles for trucks is 4.153E+09 per year (Bureau, 2012). If needed to be converted in miles for hydrogen transportation, the tube trailers have maximum capacity of 720 kg.

HazMat total-miles for anhydrous ammonia by highways = $\frac{4.153 * 10^9}{0.72}$ = 5.76E+09 tripmiles/year.

There are 916 incidents with highway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 2.1:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{916}{10 * 5.76 * 10^9} = 1.59\text{E-}08$ incidents per mile per trip

With this general probability of incident, event tree analysis is performed to get the probability of incident outcomes for hydrogen highway transportation with conditional probability of failure from the available incident data.

There are 10 hydrogen incidents with highway transportation. Among these 10 incidents there are 8 bulk transportation incidents. Among 8 incidents 1 had no release of hydrogen gas, 4 incidents had minor leaks while 3 incidents had major leaks.

Out of 4 incidents with minor leak, 2 incidents resulted in release of hydrogen gas, 2 incidents resulted in fire.

Out of 3 incidents with major release, 1 resulted in fire and 2 had only gas release without ignition.

Following parameter is considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation):

Parameter	Value
Operating pressure	2400-2699 psi



Figure 19: Hydrogen Highway Incident event tree analysis

The critical pressure for hydrogen gas is 1.92 bar (Dagdougui, Garbolino, Paladino, & Sacile, 2010). The pipeline parameters considered for this case study has pressure well above this critical pressure. The hydrogen release can be estimated as follows (Dagdougui et al., 2010):

$$Q_{i} = \frac{c_{D}\pi D_{p}^{2}}{4} \sqrt{\gamma \rho_{0} P_{0} \left[\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right]^{\frac{(\gamma+1)}{(\gamma-1)}}}$$
(23)

 Q_i = hydrogen peak initial release rate, kg/s

 γ = specific heat ratio of gas

 ρ_0 = Density of hydrogen at operating pressure, kg/m³

 P_0 = tube operating pressure, N/m²

 D_p = hole diameter, m

As mentioned earlier, the minor releases will be due small leaks to the tanks may be due to corrosion, gasket failure, abrasion, etc. And these are characterized as 0.25 inch diameter hole. And for these hydrogen tube trailers the maximum diameter of any piping or valve considered is 1 inch.

Table 19: Hydrogen release rate for highway transportation

Hole size,	Hydrogen release rate,
mm	kg/s
6.35	5.13
25.4	82.06

	Thermal radiation for	Exposure time,	
Hole size, mm	LC ₅₀ , kW/m ²	sec	Impact radius, m
6.35	27	30	9
25.4	27	30	35.5

Table 20: Hydrogen release impact distance (m) for LC₅₀ for highway transportation

Table 21: Hydrogen release consequence for highway transportation

	Impact	Impact Area	P _D	Vulnerability	Consequence
Release type	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Minor Release and	0	0.00005	1000	1	0.05
Fire	9	0.00025	1000	I	0.25
Major Release and					
Fire	35.5	0.00396	1000	1	3.96

Table 22: Hydrogen release risk for highway transportation

Release type	Probability of release (incidents /mile/trip)	Consequence (Fatalities/event)	Risk (Fatalities/trip/mile)
Minor Release and Fire	2.98E-09	0.25	7.45E-10
Major Release and Fire	2.70E-09	3.96	1.07E-08

Overall risk (ROD) for hydrogen highway transportation = **1.14E-08** fatalities/trip/mile/year.

5.5.2.2. Pipeline transportation

There had been 3 hydrogen pipeline incidents in the USA. Total of 1500 miles of hydrogen pipeline in the USA as per pipeline annual miles data (U.S. Department of Transportation).

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{3}{10 * 1500}$ = 2E-04 incidents per mile per year

Among these 3 incidents, 2 incidents were below ground and 1 incident above ground. The two incident below ground had a pin-hole leak and were not ignited. While, the one incident above ground happened at metering station due to major leak due to connection failure and resulted in fire.



Figure 20: Hydrogen Pipeline Incident Event tree analysis

According to (CCPS, 2000), for pipelines with diameter 2-6" use 5mm 25mm and full bore holes. While for pipelines with diameter 8-12" use 5mm, 25mm, 100mm and full bore holes.

Following parameters are considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation):

Parameter	Value
Design pressure	1480 psig
Pipeline diameter	10 in
Shell thickness	0.25 in
Operating pressure	1280 psig

For hazard quantification, it is assumed the unintended release and fire takes place at 500 m from the nearest isolation valve (Dagdougui et al., 2010).

The critical pressure for hydrogen gas is 1.92 bar (Dagdougui et al., 2010). The pipeline parameters considered for this case study has pressure well above this critical pressure. The hydrogen release can be estimated as follows (Crowl & Louvar, 2002):

$$Q_{leak} = \frac{Q_i}{F_c}$$

$$Q_i = \frac{\pi D_p^2 \lambda}{4} \sqrt{\gamma \rho_0 P_0 \left[\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right]^{(\gamma+1)}}$$

$$F_c = \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\lambda^2 f_F L_R}{D_p \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\frac{2}{\gamma-1}}}}$$
(25)

 Q_{leak} = hydrogen release rate, kg/s

 Q_i = hydrogen peak initial release rate, kg/s

 γ = specific heat ratio of gas

 ρ_0 = Density of hydrogen at operating pressure, kg/m³

 P_0 = pipeline operating pressure, N/m²

 $F_c =$ loss of pressure inside the pipeline, dimensionless

 D_p = pipeline hole diameter, m

 f_F = fanning friction factor

 L_R = Distance from the hydrogen supply point to the failure point, m

 λ = ratio of effective hole arear to the pipe cross-sectional area, dimensionless

Selecting hole size as per (CCPS, 2000) guidelines, following are the hydrogen release rate for

each of the hole size:

Hole size,	Hydrogen peak initial release	Hydrogen release rate, kg/s
mm	rate, kg/s	
5	4.11E-05	4.11E-05
25	2.57E-02	2.51E-02
100	6.57	3.24
Full bore	273.45	37.98

Table 23: Hydrogen release rate for pipeline transportation

Thermal effect from a jet fire can be estimated by this simplified equation as given in (API RP 521, 1990) and also used in (Dagdougui et al., 2010)

$$I = \frac{\eta \tau_a Q_{eff} H_c}{4\pi r^2} \tag{26}$$

 $\eta = combustion efficiency factor$

 τ_a = emissivity factor

 H_c = heat of combustion of the burning fuel, J/kg

 Q_{eff} = effective gas release rate, kg/s

r = radial distance from the heat source to the local of interest, m

I = Thermal radiation from flame, W/m²

In the outcome case with of a jet fire during the release of flammable gas like hydrogen, thermal radiations that cause fatalities can be estimated using probit functions. In case of fire hazards, the exposure time to person in generally considered in seconds, like (Inc., 2010) consider 30 seconds as the exposure time for jet fire and pool fire. It is considered that the person being exposed to these hazards are aware of hazards and immediately move in safe directions (Inc., 2010). The probit function used to get interrelationship between exposure time and incident heat flux given by (Work sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard [Tsao and Perry, 1979]) and being used by (Inc., 2010) is as follows:

$$Y = -38.479 + 2.56 \ln\left(t * I^{\frac{4}{3}}\right)$$
(27)

Where

t = exposure time, sec

 $I = \text{effective thermal radiation intensity, } kW/m^2$



Figure 21: %Mortality vs Thermal intensity for various exposure time

Hole size, mm	Thermal radiation for	Exposure time,	Impact radius m
	LC_{50} , kW/m^2	sec	impact radius, m
5	27	30	1
25	27	30	1
100	27	30	10.1
Full bore	27	30	65.4

Table 24: Hydrogen release impact distance (m) for LC50 for pipeline transportation

 Table 25: Hydrogen release consequence for pipeline transportation

	Impact	Impact Area	PD	Vulnerability	Consequence
Release type	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/incident)
Major Release					
and Fire	65.4	0.0135	1000	1	13.5

Table 26: Hydrogen release risk for pipeline transportation

	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Release type	release (incidents /mile/trip)	(fatalities/incident)	(fatalities/mile/year)
Major Release and Fire	6.80E-05	13.5	9.18E-04

Overall risk (ROD) for hydrogen pipeline transportation = 9.18E-04 fatalities/mile/year.

Natural gas is a highly flammable gas and comes under hazardous material category 2.1. From 2010 there had been very few incidents while transporting hydrogen. Natural gas is transported by road, and pipelines. PHMSA (U.S. Department of Transportation) provides incident details for these transportation modes. In the period 2010-2019, incidents involving compressed hydrogen transportation (In transit) are as follows:

Mode of TransportationNo. of IncidentsHighway17Pipeline1173

Table 27: Natural Gas Incidents (2010-2019)

5.5.3.1. Highway transportation

In highway transportation, during last ten years (2010-2019) there have total 916 in-transit incidents with bulk transportation under hazardous material class 2.1. Hazardous material category 2.1 total ton miles for trucks is 4.153E+09 per year (Bureau, 2012). If needed to be converted in miles for hydrogen transportation, the tube trailers have maximum capacity of 2100 kg. Based on this capacity per shipment hydrogen-content will be 525 kg.

HazMat total-miles for anhydrous ammonia by highways = $\frac{4.153 * 10^9}{2.1}$ = 1.98E+09 trip-

miles/year.

There are 916 incidents with highway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 2.1:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{916}{10 * 1.98 * 10^9}$ = 4.63E-08 incidents per mile per trip

With this general probability of incident, event tree analysis is performed to get the probability of incident outcomes for natural gas highway transportation with conditional probability of failure from the available incident data.

There are 17 natural gas incidents with highway transportation. Among these 17 incidents there are 13 bulk transportation incidents. Among 13 incidents 4 had no release of natural gas, 4 incidents had minor leaks while 5 incidents had major leaks.

Out of 4 incidents with minor leak, all 4 incidents resulted in release of hydrogen gas.

Out of 5 incidents with major release, 1 incident resulted in fire and 4 resulted only in release without ignition.

Following parameter is considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (Bureau, 2012):

Parameter	Value
Operating pressure	3600 psi



Figure 22: Natural Gas Highway Incident Event Tree Analysis

Similar to hydrogen gas release calculations for tube trailer, for natural gas few parameters

are be as follows:

 $\gamma = 1.32$

 $\eta = 0.2$

 $H_c = 55.5 \text{ MJ/kg}$

 $\tau_a = 0.2$

Table 28: Natural gas release rate for highway transportation

Hole size,	Hydrogen release rate,
mm	kg/s
25.4	340.26

TT 1 '	Thermal radiation for	Exposure time,	T (1'
Hole size, mm	LC ₅₀ , kW/m ²	sec	Impact radius, m
25.4	27	30	45.5

Table 29: Natural gas release impact distance (m) for LC50 for highway transportation

Table 30: Natural gas release consequence for highway transportation

	Impact	Impact Area	P _D	Vulnerability	Consequence
Release type	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Major Release and					
Fire	45	0.0065	1000	1	6.5

Table 31: Natural gas release risk for highway transportation

Release type	Probability of release (incidents /mile/trip/year)	Consequence (fatalities/incident)	Risk (fatalities/ trip/mile/year)
Major Release and Fire	3.56E-09	6.5	2.31E-08

Overall risk (ROD) for natural gas highway transportation = **2.31E-08** fatalities/trip/mile/year.

5.5.3.2. Pipeline transportation

There had been 1173 natural gas gathering and transmission pipeline incidents in US. Total of 316435 miles of natural gas pipeline in US as per pipeline annual miles data (U.S. Department of Transportation).

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{1173}{10 * 316435}$ = 3.71E-04 incidents per mile per year.

Among these 1173 incidents, 1009 incidents were reported for onshore pipelines. Resulted in 325 leaks, 115 mechanical punctures, 149 ruptures, and 390 others type of releases. And 30 resulted in no release of natural gas.

Among 325 leaks, 20 incidents resulted in fire, 2 incidents resulted in fire and then explosion. Among 115 mechanical punctures, 3 resulted in fire, and 6 resulted in fire and then explosion. Among 149 ruptures, 19 resulted in fire, while 32 resulted in fire and then explosion. Among 390 others, 28 resulted in fire and 4 resulted in fire and then explosion.

Among 115 mechanical punctures, worst case fire scenario had pipeline diameter of 34" and operating pressure of 660 psig. And worst case explosion case pipeline had diameter 10" and operating pressure of 600 psig.

Among 149 ruptures, worst case fire scenario had pipeline diameter of 30" and operating pressure of 806 psig. And worst case explosion case pipeline had diameter 36" and operating pressure of 802 psig.

Among 407 other type of releases, worst case explosion case pipeline had diameter of 30" and with operating pressure 925 psig. Worst case fire scenario had pipeline with diameter of 22" and with operating pressure 943 psig.

Following parameters are considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation):

Parameter	Value
Design pressure	600 psig
Pipeline diameter	20 in
Shell thickness	0.25 in
Operating pressure	720 psig



Figure 23: Natural Gas Pipeline Event Tree Analysis

Table 32: Natural gas release rate for pipeline transportation

Hole size,	Natural gas release
mm	rate, kg/s
254	22.23

Table 33: Natural gas release impact distance (m) for LC50 for pipeline transportation

Hole size, mm	Thermal radiation for	Exposure time,	Impact radius, m
	LC50, kW/m ²	sec	
254	27	30	22.8

Table 34: Natural gas release consequence for pipeline transportation

Release type	Impact	Impact Area	P _D	Vulnerability	Consequence
	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/incident)
Major Release	22.8	0.00164	1000	1	1.64

Table 35: Natural gas release risk for pipeline transportation

	Pipeline		Impact	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Release	pressure,	Pipeline	radius,	release (incidents	(Fatalities/ev	(Fatalities/m
type	psig	dia, inch	m	/mile)	ent)	ile)
Major Release	720	20	22.8	2.64E-05	1.64	4.33E-05
Mechanical	706	20	119	3.16E-07	44.20	1.4E-05
Puncture						
Puncture	660	34	138	3.16E-07	59.94	1.89E-05

Table 35 Continued

	Pipeline	D' 1'	Impact	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Kelease	pressure,	Pipeline dia inch	radius,	release (incidents	(Fatalities/ev	(Fatalities/m
type	psig	uia, ilicii	m	/mile)	ent)	ile)
Mechanical Puncture	185	10	37	3.16E-07	4.21	1.33E-06
Mechanical Puncture	763	24	113	3.16E-07	40.21	1.27E-05
Mechanical Puncture	626	8.625	55	3.16E-07	9.36	2.96E-06
Mechanical Puncture	950	36	220	3.16E-07	152.28	4.81E-05
Rupture	888	30	177	3.16E-07	97.93	3.09E-05
Rupture	803	30	150	3.16E-07	71.00	2.24E-05
Rupture	1140	16	100	3.16E-07	31.24	9.87E-06
Rupture	765	12	60	3.16E-07	11.22	3.55E-06
Rupture	837	26	183	3.16E-07	105.16	3.32E-05
Rupture	1280	36	213	3.16E-07	142.73	4.51E-05
Rupture	692	16	32	3.16E-07	3.22	1.02E-06
Rupture	655	12	63	3.16E-07	12.40	3.92E-06
Rupture	750	20	118	3.16E-07	43.98	1.39E-05
Rupture	907	30	159	3.16E-07	79.29	2.51E-05

Table 35 Continued

	Pipeline		Impact	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Release	pressure,	Pipeline dia inch	radius,	release (incidents	(Fatalities/ev	(Fatalities/m
type	psig	uia, men	m	/mile)	ent)	ile)
Rupture	802	36	185	3.16E-07	107.63	3.4E-05
Rupture	1039	30	183	3.16E-07	104.81	3.31E-05
Rupture	866	30	164	3.16E-07	84.24	2.66E-05
Rupture	369	12	24	3.16E-07	1.82	5.76E-07
Rupture	708	30	147	3.16E-07	67.58	2.14E-05
Rupture	767	30	127	3.16E-07	50.55	1.6E-05
Rupture	450	20	101	3.16E-07	31.81	1.01E-05
Rupture	750	20	120	3.16E-07	44.89	1.42E-05
Rupture	646	18	92	3.16E-07	26.47	8.36E-06
Rupture	964	30	173	3.16E-07	94.58	2.99E-05
Rupture	952	30	164	3.16E-07	84.87	2.68E-05
Rupture	929	20	109	3.16E-07	37.02	1.17E-05
Rupture	1040	16	114	3.16E-07	41.08	1.3E-05
Rupture	620	12.75	45	3.16E-07	6.49	2.05E-06
Rupture	1136	16	129	3.16E-07	52.27	1.65E-05
Rupture	783	36	405	3.16E-07	516.72	0.000163
Rupture	761	36	188	3.16E-07	111.21	3.51E-05
Rupture	733	36	168	3.16E-07	88.69	2.8E-05

Table 35 Continued

	Pipeline		Impact	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Release		Pipeline				
	pressure,		radius,	release (incidents	(Fatalities/ev	(Fatalities/m
type		dia, inch				
	psig		m	/mile)	ent)	ile)
Rupture	386	30	62	3.16E-07	11.92	3.77E-06
Other	925	30	190	3.16E-07	113.74	3.59E-05

Overall risk (ROD) for natural gas pipeline transportation = 8.61E-04 fatalities/mile/year.

5.5.4. Methanol

Methanol is a flammable and toxic chemical and comes under hazardous material category 3. From 2010 there had been many incident while transporting methanol. Methanol is transported by road, and rail. PHMSA (U.S. Department of Transportation) provides incident details for these two transportation modes. In period 2010 - 2019, incidents involving methanol transportation (In transit) are as follows:

Mode of Transportation	No. of Incidents
Highway	572
Railway	66

 Table 36: Methanol Incidents (2010-2019)

In case of highway, among 572 incidents there are total of 40 incidents due to bulk transportation. And in case of railway, among 66 incidents there are total of 65 incidents due to bulk transportation.
In highway transportation, during last ten years (2010-2019) there have total 2376 in-transit incidents with bulk transportation under hazardous material class 3. Average capacity per shipment will be considered as 24 tons. Therefore, the hydrogen content per shipment will be 3000 kg.

Hazardous material category 3 (Bureau, 2012), Truck Ton-Miles = 5.7705E+10 per year.

HazMat total-miles for methanol by highway = $\frac{5.77 * 10^{10}}{24}$ = 2.40E+09 trip-miles/year

There are 2376 incidents with highway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 3:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{2376}{10 * 2.40 * 10^9}$ = 9.90E-08 incidents per mile per trip

With this general probability of incident, event tree analysis is performed to get the probability of incident outcomes for methanol highway transportation with conditional probability of failure from the available incident data.

There are 40 methanol incidents with highway bulk transportation. Among these 40 incidents there are 2 incident without methanol release, 33 incidents with minor release of methanol, 2 incidents with moderate release and 5 incidents major release.

Among 33 minor releases, all resulted in spillage. Among the 5 major releases, 4 resulted in spillage and 1 resulted in fire after spillage.

Following parameter is considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation):

Parameter	Value
Design pressure	25 psi



Figure 24: Methanol Highway Transportation Event Tree Analysis

The liquid discharge rate from a tank of any geometry from a hole can be determined by equation (16) given by (Crowl & Louvar, 2002).

Every release is considered to last for 10 minutes towards consequence analysis as per the previous studies (Inc., 2009). Probit functions can be applied to get the understanding about population affected by this toxic release.

Probit function for methanol:

$$Y = -6.347 + 0.664 \ln \left(C^1 t \right) \tag{28}$$

Y = probit variable

C = concentration in ppm

T = time in min

Toxicity hazard:

	Duration (U.S.			
		Methanol LC ₅₀	Liquid discharge	Downwind distance
Release type	Department of			
		(ppm)	rate (kg/s)	for LC_{50} (m)
	Transportation)			
Minor release	10	2.63E+06	0.81	2.7
Major release	10	2.63E+06	13.03	10.2

 Table 37: Methanol release rate for highway transportation (Toxic hazards)

Thermal radiation hazard:

Table 38: Methanol release rate for highway transportation (Thermal radiation hazard)

	Duration	Thermal Radiation	Liquid discharge	Downwind distance
Release type	(sec)	(kW/m ²)	rate (kg/s)	for $LC_{50}(m)$
Major release and				
	100	11	13.03	69
Fire				

This downwind distance for LC₅₀ thermal radiation is calculated using PHAST 8.22.

Consequence:

Table 39: Methanol release consequence for highway transportation

Release type	Impact	Impact Area	PD	Vulnerability	Consequence
	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Minor Release	2.7	2.29E-05	1000	0.1	2.29E-03
Major Release	10.2	3.27E-04	1000	0.1	3.27E-02
Major Release and					
	69	1.49E-02	1000	1	14.9
Fire					

	Probability of release	Consequence	Risk
Release type	(incidents /mile/trip)	(Fatalities/event)	(Fatalities/trip/mile)
Minor Release	8.16E-08	2.29E-03	1.87E-10
Major Release	9.31E-09	3.27E-02	3.04E-10
Major Release with			
	3.10E-09	14.9	4.619E-08
Fire			

Table 40: Methanol release risk for highway transportation

Overall risk (ROD) for methanol highway transportation = **4.67E-08** fatalities/trip/mile/year

5.5.4.2. Railway transportation

In railway transportation, during last ten years (2010-2019) there have total 2848 in-transit incidents with bulk transportation under hazardous material class 3. Average capacity per shipment will be considered as 100 tons. Therefore, the hydrogen content per shipment will be 12500 kg.

Hazardous material category 3 (Bureau, 2012), rail Ton-Miles = 3.7085E+10 per year.

HazMat total-miles for anhydrous ammonia by highways = $\frac{3.7085 * 10^{10}}{100} = 3.71E+08$

trip-miles/year.

There are 2848 incidents with highway bulk transportation in last 10 years for hazardous material category 3:

General Probability of Incident = $\frac{2848}{10 * 3.71 * 10^8}$ = 7.68E-07 incidents per mile per trip

With this general probability of incident, event tree analysis is performed to get the probability of incident outcomes for methanol railway transportation with conditional probability of failure from the available incident data.

There are 65 methanol incidents with railway bulk transportation. Among these 65 incidents there is 1 incident without methanol release, 63 incidents with minor methanol release, 1 incident with major release.

Among 63 minor releases, all resulted in release without ignition. And the 1 incident with major release also resulted in release without ignition.

Following parameter is considered from the data available with reported incidents in last 10 years (U.S. Department of Transportation):



Figure 25: Methanol Rail Car Incident Event Tree Analysis

Toxicity hazard:

	Duration (U.S.			
		Methanol LC ₅₀	Liquid discharge	Downwind distance
Release type	Department of	<i>,</i> , ,		
	The second secon	(ppm)	rate (kg/s)	for LC_{50} (m)
	Transportation)			
Minor release	10	2.63E+06	2.34	5
Major release	10	2.63E+06	37.50	19.5

 Table 41: Methanol release rate for railway transportation (Toxic hazard)

Table 42: Methanol release consequence for railway transportation

Release type	Impact	Impact Area	P _D	Vulnerability	Consequence
	radius, m	(km2)	(Persons/km2)	factor, V _c	(Fatalities/event)
Minor Release	5	7.86E-05	1000	0.1	7.86E-03
Major Release	19.5	1.20E-03	1000	0.1	0.12

Table 43: Methanol release risk for railway transportation

	Probability of	Consequence	Risk
Release type	release (incidents	(Fatalities/event)	(Fatalities/trip/mile)
	/mile/trip)		
Minor Release	7.44E-07	7.86E-03	5.85E-09
Major Release	1.21E-08	0.12	1.45E-09

Overall risk (ROD) for methanol railway transportation = **7.30E-09** fatalities/trip/mile/year.

Hydrogen Carrier	Transportation Mode	Risk	Units
	Highway	8.86E-08	fatalities / mile/ trip/
Ammonia	Railway	2.62E-07	year
	Pipeline	1.99E-03	fatalities / mile/ year
Hydrogen	Highway	1.14E-08	fatalities / mile/ trip/ year
	Pipeline	9.18E-04	fatalities / mile/ year
Natural gas	Highway	2.31E-08	fatalities / mile/ trip/ year
	Pipeline	8.61E-04	fatalities / mile/ year
Mothenol	Highway	4.67E-08	fatalities / mile/ trip/
Womanor	Railway	7.30E-09	year

Table 44: Overall Risk (Indices) for the case study for $P_D = 1000$ persons/km²

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Figure 26: Pareto curve of transportation risk versus costs

This optimization framework uses four hydrogen carriers and three modes of transportation as described in detail in case study to estimate the optimal transportation pathways. Every cost corresponds to certain maximum transportation risk acceptable for the supply chain network. The risk is varied in the range 0.0008 to 0.363 fatalities per year in this case study based on the obtained minimum and maximum values of transportation risk. At lower risk value, the transportation cost is higher while the conversion cost is lower leading to lower overall cost. With increase in acceptable risk, the transportation cost decreases and the conversion cost increases. But after certain acceptable risk, the transportation cost and conversion cost both increases.

Transportation cost is varying in the range \$2527 to \$45305. And the maximum transportation cost corresponds to lowest risk and lowest overall cost.

Risk	Feedstock Cost, \$	Feedstock Conversion Cost, \$	Transportation Cost, \$	Back Conversion Cost, \$	Total Cost, \$
0.0008	53010	88729	45305	12135	1991/9
0.0009	53010	84067	46214	12127	195418
0.001	53010	79421	47114	12119	191664
0.002	53010	66768	40391	13614	173783
0.003	53010	63396	28906	15638	160950
0.004	53010	60025	17421	17662	148118
0.005	50910	53984	16748	18375	140017
0.006	50587	53069	16691	18475	138822
0.007	50264	52155	16641	18576	137636
0.008	49940	51240	16591	18676	136447
0.009	49617	50325	16541	18776	135259
0.01	49293	49411	16491	18876	134071
0.02	46061	40272	16011	19878	122222
0.03	43138	32007	15611	20784	111540
0.04	42688	30734	15213	20923	109558
0.05	42237	29461	14815	21063	107576
0.06	41787	28187	14417	21202	105593

 Table 45: Transportation risk and associated costs

Table 45 Continued:

		Feedstock		Back	
Dick	Feedstock	Conversion	Transportation	Conversion	Total Cost,
NISK	Cost. \$	Conversion	Cost. \$	Conversion	\$
		Cost, \$		Cost, \$	Ŧ
		• • • • • •	1.10.00		100.410
0.07	41337	26914	14020	21342	103613
0.08	40887	25641	13622	21481	101631
0.09	40437	24368	13224	21621	99650
0.1	39986	23095	12826	21760	97667
0.11	39536	21822	12429	21900	95687
0.12	39086	20549	12031	22039	93705
0.13	38636	19276	11633	22179	91724
0.14	38185	18003	11235	22318	89741
0.15	37735	16730	10838	22458	87761
0.16	37285	15457	10440	22597	85779
0.17	36835	14183	10042	22737	83797
0.18	36397	12947	9645	22872	81861
0.19	36147	12240	9256	22950	80593
0.2	35897	11532	8867	23027	79323
0.21	35647	10824	8478	23105	78054
0.22	35396	10116	8089	23183	76784
0.23	35146	9409	7700	23260	75515
0.24	34896	8701	7311	23338	74246
0.25	34645	7993	6922	23415	72975

Table 45 Continued:

		Feedstock		Back	
511	Feedstock	- ·	Transportation		Total Cost,
Risk	Cost ¢	Conversion	Cost ¢	Conversion	¢
	Cost, 5	Cost \$	Cost, 5	Cost \$	Ф
		COSI, φ		COSt, \$	
0.26	34395	7285	6533	23493	71706
0.27	34145	6578	6143	23570	70436
0.28	33894	5870	5754	23648	69166
0.29	33644	5162	5365	23726	67897
0.2	2220.4	4454	4076	22002	
0.3	33394	4454	4976	23803	66627
0.31	33143	3747	4587	23881	65358
0.32	32893	3039	4198	23958	64088
0.00	22.542	2001	2000	24026	(2010
0.33	32643	2331	3809	24036	62819
0.34	32393	1623	3420	24113	61549
0.35	32142	916	3031	24191	60280
0.0.00	21010		0.505	2 420 1	7 0 (2 (
0.363	31818	0	2527	24291	58636

Figure 27: Pathways vs % Demand Satisfaction (R = 0.363 fatalities/year)

Figure 28: Pathways vs % Demand Satisfaction (R = 0.03 fatalities/year)

Figure 29: Pathways vs % Demand Satisfaction (R = 0.01 fatalities/year)

Figure 30: Pathways vs % Demand Satisfaction (R = 0.001 fatalities/year)

7. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

This research successfully developed an optimization model to integrate safety in the optimization of alternative transportation pathway for hydrogen economy. Main objectives of this research were to identify available feedstock and production intermediates as hydrogen carriers, quantify risk for all the alternative transportation pathways, develop a optimization framework for the supply chain network and evaluate the trade-off between supply chain network cost and transportation risk. Approach used for analyzing the incidents data from last 10 years gives a better understanding of risks associated with alternative pathways. Upon solving the risk objective function, it was used as epsilon constraint to minimize the overall cost of supply chain network including the processing costs for feedstock and hydrogen carriers. This model being linear is highly recommended for supply chain material allocation decision making. The trade-off between transportation risk and overall supply chain cost gives a better to picture of alternative pathways for hydrogen economy. Any number of alternative pathways can be considered to get the trade-off and understand the associated costs and risk. Not all alternative pathways in case study had enough incident data, thus the analysis involves considerable uncertainty. Future work for this research will focus on uncertainty analysis for alternative pathway risk, evaluation of processing facility risk and evaluation of international transportation pathways.

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APPENDIX A

Natural Gas spot price: \$ 1.78 / 1000 MMBtu = \$ 1.78 / 1000 SCF

Source: ("Market Insider," 2020)

Assuming as pure methane, price = 0.093 / kg Methane. Considering 19.16 kg of methane per

1000 SCF at standard conditions.

Price in terms of hydrogen content = 0.372 /kg hydrogen content in methane

Unit Data NG Supply (Basis) 100 kg Hydrogen Content 25 kg Cost of NG \$/1000 SCF 1.78 \$/ kg Methane 0.093 Cost of NG Cost in terms of H2 content \$/kg H2 0.372

_	Steam	Methane	Reforming	
-	Sicam	witchiant	Reforming	

Steam Methane Reforming				
NG to H2 Conversion	0.480	kg H2/ kg Methane		
Power	0.33	kWh / kg H2		
Cost of Power	0.06	\$ / kWh		
Cooling Water	0.54	m3 / kg H2		
Cost of Cooling Water	0.0571	\$ / m3		
Fuel	105	MJ / kg H2		
Cost of Fuel	0.002	\$ / MJ		

Steam	3.59	kg / kg H2
Cost of Steam	0.005	\$ / kg of Steam
Conversion Cost	0.284	\$ / kg H2

Source: (Gary, 2007)

- Ammonia Synthesis

	Data	Unit
NG Supply (Basis)	100	kg
Hydrogen Content	25	kg
Cost of NG	1.78	\$/1000 SCF
Cost of NG	0.093	\$/ kg Methane
Cost in terms of H2 content	0.372	\$/kg H2

Ammonia Synthesis			
NG to Ammonia Conversion	1.373	kg NH3/ kg Methane	
Ammonia Produced	137.348	kg	
Hydrogen Content	24.173	kg	
Power	0.74	kWh / kg NH3	
Cost of Power	0.06	\$ / kWh	
Cooling Water	0.284	m3 / kg NH3	
Cost of Cooling Water	0.0571	\$ / m3	
Fuel	9.934	MJ / kg NH3	

Cost of Fuel	0.002048	\$ / MJ
Steam	1.59	kg / kg NH3
Cost of Steam	0.005	\$ / kg of Steam
Conversion Cost	0.089	\$ / kg NH3
Conversion Cost in terms of H2	0.505	\$/ kg H2

Source: (Corporation, 2020)

- Methanol Synthesis

	Data	Unit
NG Supply (Basis)	100	kg
Hydrogen Content	25	kg
Cost of NG	1.78	\$/1000 SCF
Cost of NG	0.093	\$/ kg Methane
Cost in terms of H2 content	0.372	\$/kg H2

Methanol Synthesis			
NG to Methanol Conversion	1.773	kg CH3OH/ kg Methane	
Methanol Produced	177.33	kg	
Hydrogen Content	22.17	kg	
Power	0.5	kWh / kg CH3OH	
Cost of Power	0.06	\$ / kWh	

Cooling Water	0.5	m3 / kg CH3OH
Cost of Cooling Water	0.0571	\$ / m3
Fuel	70.771	MJ / kg CH3OH
Cost of Fuel	0.002048	\$ / MJ
Steam	2.00	kg / kg CH3OH
Cost of Steam	0.005	\$ / kg of Steam
Conversion Cost	0.213	\$ / kg CH3OH
Conversion Cost in terms of H2	1.708	\$/ kg H2

Source: (Blumberg, Tsatsaronis, & Morosuk, 2019)

- Methanol Reforming

	Data	Unit
Methanol (Basis)	100	kg
Hydrogen Content	12.5	kg

Methanol Reforming			
Methanol to Hydrogen Conversion	0.143	kg H2/ kg Methanol	
Hydrogen Produced	14.267	kg	
Hydrogen Content	14.267	kg	
Power	0.501	kWh / kg H2	
Cost of Power	0.06	\$ / kWh	

Cooling Water	0.223	m3 / kg H2
Cost of Cooling Water	0.0571	\$ / m3
Fuel	16.969	MJ / kg H2
Cost of Fuel	0.002048	\$ / MJ
Steam	3.78	kg / kg H2
Cost of Steam	0.005	\$ / kg of Steam
Conversion Cost	0.096	\$ / kg H2

Source: (Mahler-AG)

- Ammonia Cracking (Reformer)

	Data	Unit
Ammonia (Basis)	100	kg
Hydrogen Content	17.6	kg

Ammonia Cracking			
Ammonia to Hydrogen Conversion	0.150	kg H2/ kg NH3	
Hydrogen Produced	14.960	kg	
Hydrogen Content	14.960	kg	
Power	1.41	kWh / kg H2	
Cost of Power	0.06	\$ / kWh	
Cooling Water	0.15	m3 / kg H2	
Cost of Cooling Water	0.0571	\$ / m3	

Fuel	4.431	MJ / kg H2
Cost of Fuel	0.002048	\$ / MJ
Steam	0.00	kg / kg H2
Cost of Steam	0.005	\$ / kg of Steam
Conversion Cost	0.102	\$ / kg H2

Source: (Brown, 2017; Giddey et al., 2017)

APPENDIX B

AMPL FILES FOR OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

1

#Model File for Optimization Problem

set carrier ordered;

param T; # number of transportation modes

param I; # number of suppliers

param J; # number of plants

param F; # Number of feedstocks

param UP{f in 1..F}; #Unit Price of Feedstock F

param UPConv{f in 1..F,h in carrier}; #Unit Price of conversion from feedstock f to carrier h

param UPTran{h in carrier,t in 1..T}; #Unit Price of transportation of carrier h using

transportation mode t

param UPBConv{h in carrier}; #Unit Price of back conversion of carrier h to hydrogen

param Y{f in 1..F,h in carrier}; #Conversion factor from feedstock f to carrier h

param Z{h in carrier}; #Conversion factor from carrier h to hydrogen

param d{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,t in 1..T}; #distance between supplier i and plant j using transportation mode t

param D{j in 1..J}; #Demand at plant j

param S{f in 1..F, i in 1..I}; # Supply of feedstock f at supplier i

param m{h in carrier,t in 1..T}; #Maximum Capacity of hydrogen carrier h using transportation mode t

param e; #Epsilon Value for Risk OF

param R{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,h in carrier,t in 1..T}; #Risk Index

var s{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}; #hydrogen carrier h produced at supplier i using feedstock f
var p{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,h in carrier,t in 1..T}; #the transportation flow rate of hydrogen content
from supplier i to sink j using hydrogen carrier h and transportation mode t
var x{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}; #Feedstock allocation for hydrogen carrier production,
fraction
var TFC;
var TFCC;

var TTC;

var TBCC;

var Risk;

#maximize TransRisk: Risk;

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minimize cost: TFC + TFCC + TTC + TBCC;
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subject to

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TFeedstockCost: TFC = (sum{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}(s[f,i,h]/Y[f,h])*UP[f]);
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TConvCost: TFCC = (sum{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}s[f,i,h]*UPConv[f,h]);
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TBConvCost: TBCC = (sum{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,h in carrier,t in 1..T}p[i,j,h,t]*UPBConv[h]);

TTranCost: TTC = (sum{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,t in

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1..2}p[i,j,first(carrier),t]*d[i,j,t]*UPTran[first(carrier),t]) + (sum{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,t in
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1..T}p[i,j,member(2,carrier),t]*d[i,j,t]*UPTran[member(2,carrier),t]) + (sum{i in 1..I,j in
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1..J p[i,j,member(3,carrier),1]*d[i,j,1]*UPTran[member(3,carrier),1]) + (sum{i in 1..I,j in 1.
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- 1..J}p[i,j,member(3,carrier),3]*d[i,j,3]*UPTran[member(3,carrier),3]) + (sum{i in 1..I,j in
- 1..J}p[i,j,last(carrier),1]*d[i,j,1]*UPTran[last(carrier),1]) + (sum{i in 1..I,j in
- 1..J}p[i,j,last(carrier),3]*d[i,j,3]*UPTran[last(carrier),3]);
- NonNegative1{i in 1..I,j in 1..J,h in carrier,t in 1..T}:p[i,j,h,t]>=0;
- NonNegative2{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}:s[f,i,h]>=0;
- NonNegative3{f in 1..F,i in 1..I,h in carrier}:x[f,i,h]>=0;
- Demand{j in 1..J}:D[j] sum{i in 1..I,h in carrier,t in 1..T}p[i,j,h,t]*Z[h] = 0;
- Supply1{f in 1..F,i in 1..I, h in carrier}:S[f,i]* $x[f,i,h]*Y[f,h] \ge s[f,i,h];$
- Supply2{i in 1..I,h in carrier}:sum{f in 1..F}s[f,i,h] = sum{j in 1..J,t in 1..T}p[i,j,h,t]*Z[h];
- SupplyFractions{f in 1..F,i in 1..I}:sum{h in carrier}x[f,i,h]=1;
- $TRisk:Risk = sum{i in 1..I, j in 1..J, t in}$
- 1..2}(R[i,j,first(carrier),t]*p[i,j,first(carrier),t]*(1/m[first(carrier),t])) + sum{i in 1..I,j in 1..J, t in
- 1..T}(R[i,j,member(2,carrier),t]*p[i,j,member(2,carrier),t]*(1/m[member(2,carrier),t])) + sum{i in 1..I,j in
- 1..J}(R[i,j,member(3,carrier),1]*p[i,j,member(3,carrier),1]*(1/m[member(3,carrier),1])) + sum{i in 1..I,j in
- $1..J \ (R[i,j,member(3,carrier),3]*p[i,j,member(3,carrier),3]*(1/m[member(3,carrier),3])) + + \\$
- sum{i in 1..I,j in 1..J}(R[i,j,last(carrier),1]*p[i,j,last(carrier),1]*(1/m[last(carrier),1])) + sum{i in
- 1..I,j in 1..J}(R[i,j,last(carrier),3]*p[i,j,last(carrier),3]*(1/m[last(carrier),3]));
- econstraint: Risk <= e;
- slacksMethanol{i in 1..I,j in 1..J}: p[i,j,first(carrier),3] = 0;
- slacksNaturalGas{i in 1..I,j in 1..J}: p[i,j,member(3,carrier),2] = 0;
- slacksHydrogen{i in 1..I, j in 1..J}: p[i,j,last(carrier),2] = 0;2

#Data File for Optimization problem

- set carrier:= M A N H; # Methanol, Ammonia, Natural Gas, Hydrogen
- param T:= 3; # Number of transportation modes
- param I:= 3; # Number of suppliers
- param J:= 4; # Number of plants
- param F:= 1; # Number of feedstocks
- param UP:=1 0.372; #natural gas
- param e:= 0.35; #Epsilon Constraint
- param UPConv:M A N H:=
- 1 1.708 0.505 0 0.284;
- param UPTran:1 2 3:=
- M 0.001248 0.000408.
- A 0.000886 0.0002898 0.0001
- N0.2708 . 0.0001
- H 0.0968 . 0.0004;
- param UPBConv:=M 0.096
- A 0.102
- N 0.284
- H 0;

param Y:M A N H:=

1 0.887 0.967 1 1.92;

param Z:=M 1.141

A 0.85

N 1.92

H 1;

param d:= #Distance between supplier i and plant j using transportation mode t

[*,*,1]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1600 250 1100 10

2 1300 80 960 340

3 590 950 1100 1200

[*,*,2]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1780 300 1170 10

2 1420 90 1130 1350

3 640 1030 1350 1350

[*,*,3]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1350 220 1050 10

2 1200 70 900 360

3 500 1000 1050 1090;

param D:=1 35000 #Four demand locations

2 40000

3 23750

4 43750;

param S:1 2 3:= #Three supply locations

1 37500 60000 45000;

param R:=

[*,*,M,1]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 7.01E-05	1.40E-05	6.07E-05	5.60E-06
2 5.16E-05	3.50E-06	4.90E-05	1.87E-05
3 2.90E-05	4.20E-05	4.90E-05	5.37E-05

[*,*,M,2]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1.20E-05	2.34E-06	1.02E-05	9.49E-07
2 9.13E-06	8.76E-07	8.18E-06	2.85E-06
3 5.11E-06	7.34E-06	8.76E-06	9.42E-06

[*,*,M,3]: 1 2 3 4:=

1

2

3

[*,*,A,1]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1.33E-04	2.66E-05	1.15E-04	1.06E-05
2 9.79E-05	6.65E-06	9.30E-05	3.54E-05
3 5.49E-05	7.97E-05	9.30E-05	1.02E-04

[*,*,A,2]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 4.32E-04	8.38E-05	3.67E-04	3.41E-05

2 3.28E-04	3.14E-05	2.93E-04	1.02E-04
3 1.83E-04	2.63E-04	3.14E-04	3.38E-04

[*,*,A,3]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 2.69E+00	4.38E-01	2.09E+00	1.99E-02
2 2.39E+00	1.39E-01	1.79E+00	7.16E-01
3 9.95E-01	1.99E+00	2.09E+00	2.17E+00

[*,*,N,1]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 3.47E-05	6.93E-06	3.00E-05	2.77E-06
2 2.55E-05	1.73E-06	2.43E-05	9.24E-06
3 1.43E-05	2.08E-05	2.43E-05	2.66E-05

[*,*,N,2]: 1 2 3 4:=

1....

2

3

[*,*,N,3]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1.16E+00	1.89E-01	9.04E-01	8.61E-03
2 1.03E+00	6.03E-02	7.75E-01	3.10E-01
3 4.31E-01	8.61E-01	9.04E-01	9.38E-01

[*,*,H,1]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1.71E-05	3.42E-06	1.48E-05	1.37E-06
2 1.26E-05	8.55E-07	1.20E-05	4.56E-06
3 7.07E-06	1.03E-05	1.20E-05	1.31E-05

[*,*,H,2]: 1 2 3 4:=

1....

2

3

[*,*,H,3]: 1 2 3 4:=

1 1.24E+00	2.02E-01	9.64E-01	9.18E-03
2 1.10E+00	6.43E-02	8.26E-01	3.30E-01
3 4.59E-01	9.18E-01	9.64E-01	1.00E+00;

param m: 1 2 3:= # Max Capacity

M 3000 12500.

A 4400 14080 60000

N 525 . 60000

H 720 . 60000;