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### Background

To reach the zero-emission goal by 2050, a development in the offshore fleet is needed. The end of the oil era is regularly being brought up in the media. However, the offshore fleet will still be essential in many years. Unfortunately, most of today's offshore vessels run on fuels that produce significant emissions. Therefore, a change is needed to achieve the 2050 goals.

#### Overall aim and focus

The thesis will investigate the replacement potential of today's offshore support vessels running on MDO with zero-emission hydrogen solutions, and the corresponding impact on design, operational profile, and fuel infrastructure development.

### Scope and main activities

The thesis will cover the following main points:

- 1. Provide a short overview of the status and essential development trends related to hydrogen as fuel.
- 2. Use AIS data to analyze the operational profiles of OSVs to map the demand placed on vessels in the offshore market.
- 3. Determine the theoretical sailing distances of various hydrogen solutions.
- 4. Develop a systematic approach to exhibit the applicability of hydrogen in OSVs by comparing demand with theoretical sailing distances.
- 5. Discuss and conclude if OSVs can operate with hydrogen propulsion.

#### Modus operandi

At NTNU, Professor Stein Ove Erikstad will be the responsible advisor. The work shall follow the guidelines given by NTNU.

Prof. Stein Ove Erikstad

## Preface

This master thesis corresponded to 30 ECTs and was written in the spring of 2022. It is a part of the master's degree at the Department of Marine Technology, NTNU - Norwegian University of Science and Technology. A project thesis with the same topic was completed in 2021. A large part of the background study for the master thesis is based on this preparatory work.

The main objective of the thesis is to estimate the replacement potential of offshore support vessels with zero-emission hydrogen solutions. Ships are some of the most effective transportation methods and will be relevant for many years. Meanwhile, they contribute to the emission of undesirable greenhouse gases. Using hydrogen as fuel might be one of the solutions to reach the zero-emission goals by 2050.

After more than four years at the Institute of Marine Technology in Trondheim with Marine Systems Design as my specialization, I have gained an extra interest in zero-emission shipping and the decarbonization of the maritime industry. I believe there will be an immense development within this industry in the future. This made the subject exciting to work with, and I hope this can be reflected in the thesis itself.

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### Abstract

This thesis investigates the replacement potential of today's offshore support vessels (OSVs) with hydrogen fuel cell (FC) solutions to move towards a zero-emission society by 2050. The net-zero goal is crucial for reducing emissions and giving the world a fair chance of restraining the global temperature rise by 1.5 °C. Ships are essential in today's globalization, thus also a vital part of the solution to achieving the zero-emission targets. However, shipping accounts for significant annual greenhouse gas emissions, and it is evident that amendments are necessary to turn the situation.

A systematic approach is established to analyze the demand placed on the vessels operating in the offshore market. Comparing this with a theoretical sailing range for various hydrogen FC solutions will exhibit applicability. The operating patterns are gathered using data from the automatic identification system (AIS), and the theoretical sailing range is calculated by analyzing power consumption, fuel efficacy, and storage characteristics. Assumptions regarding hydrogen infrastructure and vessel design are based on reasonable future scenarios from the literature review.

The results revealed a great potential for hydrogen FC propulsion for OSVs. Especially platform supply vessels (PSVs) emerged as one of the OSV types with the most significant potential, where liquid hydrogen (LH<sub>2</sub>) stored at -252 °C proved to be the solution with the best applicability. This implies that the offshore vessels can make substantial emission reductions toward a zero-emission society by 2050, provided that the assumptions regarding infrastructure are applicable. Future research should look more into the hydrogen FC conversion cost, as the technology is immature and with several barriers to overcome. In order to make the transition profitable, it should be more cost-effective and practically feasible in the future.

**Keywords:** Offshore support vessels, offshore construction vessels, platform supply vessels, anchor handling tug & supply vessels, zero-emission, net-zero 2050, hydrogen, AIS

## Sammendrag

Denne oppgaven undersøker erstatningspotensialet for dagens offshore skipsflåte med hydrogen brenselscelleløsninger, med det formål å gå mot et nullutslippssamfunn i 2050. Målet om netto nullutslipp i 2050 er viktig for å redusere utslippene og gi verden en realistisk sjanse for å begrense den globale temperaturøkningen til 1.5 °C. Skip er helt essensielle i dagens globalisering og har dermed også en nøkkelrolle i løsningen mot å nå nullutslippsmålene. Skipsfarten står imidlertid for store årlige klimagassutslipp og det er åpenbart at endringer er nødvendig for å snu situasjonen.

For å svare på problembeskrivelsen ble det etablert en systematisk tilnærming for å analysere kravene som stilles til fartøyene i offshoremarkedet. Å sammenligne disse kravene med den teoretiske seilingsdistansen for ulike hydrogenløsninger vil gi en indikasjon på hvor realistisk det er å bruke hydrogen som drivstoff. Operasjonsmønstrene blir identifisert ved å bruke AIS data og den teoretiske seilingsdistansen blir beregnet ved å se på energiforbruket, drivstoffeffektiviteten og lagringsegenskapene til de ulike løsningene. Antagelser rundt infrastrukturen til hydrogen og fartøysdesign er basert på realistiske framtidsscenarier fra litteraturstudien.

Resultatene avslørte at det ligger et stort potensiale i å bruke brenselsceller og hydrogen som fremdrifstmiddel i OSV'er. Spesielt PSV'ene skilte seg ut som den typen som egnet seg best, og flytende hydrogen lagret på -252 °C viste seg å være den løsningen med høyest realiserbarhet. Dette betyr at offshorefartøyene kan bidra til store utslippskutt mot et nullutslippssamfunn i 2050, gitt at antagelsene om infrastruktur gjelder. Videre arbeid bør fokusere på økonomien knyttet til bruk av brenselsceller og hydrogen i skip. Siden teknologien er relativt ny og kompleks vil den mest sannsynlig være kostbar. For å gjøre overgangen til hydrogendrift lønnsom bør den bli billigere og mer praktisk anvendbar i fremtiden.

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# Acronyms

AFC Alkaline Fuel Cell. AH Anchor Handling. AHTS Anchor Handling Tug and Supply. AIS Automatic Identification System. atm Atmospheric Pressure. **CAPEX** Capital Expenditures.  $\mathbf{CH}_2$  Compressed Hydrogen.  $\mathbf{D}_{max}$  Maximum Theoretical Sailing Distance.  $\mathbf{DMFC}\ \mathrm{Direct}\ \mathrm{Methanol}\ \mathrm{Fuel}\ \mathrm{Cell}.$ **DP** Dynamic Positioning.  ${\bf dwt}\,$  Deadweight Tonnage. ECA Emission Control Area. FC Fuel Cell. GHG Greenhouse Gas. gt Gross Tonnage. HFO Heavy Fuel Oil. HHV Higher Heating Value. HT-PEMFC High Temperature Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell. **IEA** International Energy Agency. IMO International Maritime Organization.  $\mathbf{LH}_2$  Liquid Hydrogen. LHV Lower Heating Value. LNG Liquefied Natural Gas. MCFC Molten Carbonate Fuel Cell. **MDO** Marine Diesel Oil.

MGO Marine Gas Oil.

**MMSI** Maritime Mobile Service Identity.

**NOK** Norwegian Kroner.

 $\mathbf{NOx}\,$  Nitrogen Oxide.

 $\mathbf{OCV}$  Offshore Construction Vessel.

**OPEX** Operational Expenditures.

**OPS** Onshore Power Supply.

 ${\bf OSV}$  Offshore Support Vessel.

**PAFC** Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cell.

 ${\bf PEM}\,$  Proton Exchange Membrane.

**PEMFC** Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell.

**PSV** Platform Supply Vessel.

**ROV** Remote Operated Vehicles.

**SDG** Sustainable Development Goals.

 ${\bf sfc}\,$  Specific Fuel Consumption.

 ${\bf SOFC}\,$  Solid Oxide Fuel Cell.

 ${\bf SOG}\,$  Speed Over Ground.

 ${\bf SOx}\,$  Sulfur Oxide.

 ${\bf SWOT}\,$  Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats.

 $\mathbf{USD}\,$  U.S. Dollar (\$).

# Chapter 1

# Introduction

Ships play a vital part in today's globalization. Unfortunately, the global fleet accounts for significant emissions. From 2007 to 2012, shipping accounted for 2.8% of the annual global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions [Jafarzadeh and Schjølberg, 2017]. Ships are some of the most effective transportation methods, and numerous worldwide operations depend on them [International Energy Agency, 2021]. Roughly 80% of global trade by volume and 70% by value is transported by sea [Concawe, 2016]. A fleet development is needed to reach the zero-emission goal by 2050. According to DNV [2020], maritime transport needs to reduce emissions by at least 95% to contribute to a global net-zero by 2050. The end of the oil era is regularly being brought up in the media. However, the offshore fleet will still be essential for many years. Unfortunately, most of today's offshore vessels run on fuels that produce significant emissions. A change is needed to achieve the 2050 goals. Among the available solutions, hydrogen in combination with fuel cells (FCs) looks promising from an environmental point of view. This combination may be a valuable alternative to zero-emission transportation in the future. Burheim [2017] claims that hydrogen is one of the most compelling substances to be used as an energy carrier in the transportation sector. United Nations Industrial Development Organization [2018] states that hydrogen is still not fully recognized in the power industry but promotes hydrogen with three main sustainable development goals (SDGs) illustrated in Figure 1.1.



Figure 1.1: Sustainable development goals.

Source: [United Nations, 2022]

Some substantial obstacles need to be overcome for the hydrogen revolution to occur. Although hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe, it is rare to see it in pure form on earth. Burheim [2017] summarizes three main problems when it comes to hydrogen as a fuel:

- Getting hydrogen in its pure elemental form.
- Getting it on the vehicle in a storable form.
- Finding a way to convert it into power efficiently.

In contrast to petroleum, which is an energy source, hydrogen is an energy carrier [Mazloomi and Gomes, 2012]. Energy is needed as input to create hydrogen and is often done by using methane or electricity. The word hydrogen comes from the two Greek words *hydro* and *genes*, meaning *water* and *generator* [Midilli et al., 2005]. The only byproduct of using hydrogen in a FC is pure water. This means that as long as the hydrogen is made from sustainable resources, it can play an important role in the decarbonization of the maritime industry [The Economist, 2021].

The thesis aims to investigate the replacement potential of today's offshore support vessels (OSV) running on marine diesel oil (MDO) with zero-emission hydrogen solutions. Oskar Levander, head of Kongsberg Maritime's work with zero-emission vessels for the future, states in Teknisk Ukeblad [2022] that none of today's zero-emission solutions stand out as better than others, and he understands that ship owners struggle to choose what investment strategy to use. The thesis intends to provide better insight into hydrogen's possibilities as a fuel.

Figure 1.2 summarizes the three main parts covered in this master thesis. First, the theoretical energy content of hydrogen is used to calculate the maximum theoretical sailing distances, which hereby will be denoted as  $D_{max}$ . Second, the power consumption of the various OSV types is mapped. A fleet containing offshore construction vessels (OCVs), platform supply vessels (PSVs), and anchor handling tug & supply (AHTS) vessels will be the main focus of the thesis. By distinguishing between these types, it may be possible to point out any differences when it comes to potential. At last, a comprehensive market analysis is performed, which is an essential factor before the execution of a potential conversion process. It is done by using data from an automatic identification system (AIS) to identify the operation pattern of each vessel. AIS data is often used as a tool in fleet analysis to streamline the routing in terms of emissions and efficiency [Sundvor et al., 2021].

Furthermore, the operational profile is used to map the demand placed on the vessels in the offshore market. According to Cambridge Dictionary [2022], demand is the need for something to be sold or supplied. At last, the need is compared with  $D_{max}$  and power consumption to see if it is possible to meet today's demand with vessels running on hydrogen.



Figure 1.2: Illustration of problem description.

Chapter 2 describes the system boundaries used in the thesis, what assumptions were made in advance, and a quick introduction to the data used. Chapter 3 contains the background study, where a large part is taken from the project thesis that was written in the autumn of 2021. Chapter 4 describes the methods used to produce results to answer the problem description. Chapter 6 will be the part where the results are presented. Chapter 7 consists of a discussion and addresses the limitations and considerations for further work. At last, Chapter 8 presents a short and concise conclusion.

# Chapter 2

# Establishing system boundaries

This chapter summarizes the system boundaries with the purpose of clarifying the main focus of the thesis. The life cycle of hydrogen is large and complex, and hydrogen production could have been a field of study in itself. Therefore, it is crucial to establish some boundaries. As described in the introduction, the thesis will analyze the operational profiles of today's OSVs and evaluate if it is realizable to run these with hydrogen. This is done by investigating hydrogen's properties and examining if the demands from today's OSVs can be met with a hydrogen vessel.



Figure 2.1: Illustration of system boundaries

The main focus of the thesis is visualized in Figure 2.1. Production, transportation, and hydrogen infrastructure are neglected and thus outside the system boundaries. For hydrogen ships to be completely emission-free, the hydrogen has to be made from renewable sources, so-called *green hydrogen*. Another assumption is that there will be no emissions from neither the transportation nor the infrastructure. The hydrogen-based energy process (energy to hydrogen, to energy again) consists of four main processes: production, storage, safety, and utilization [Dawood et al., 2020]. This study will not cover all these four stages. It will, as already mentioned, assume that both the production and safety aspect is fulfilled and only look at the final part (hydrogen to energy) taking place on the ship itself. In other words, from *tank-to-wake*.

Despite hydrogen being zero-carbon-emission energy at the end-use point, it depends on the cleanness of the production pathway and the energy used to produce it. [Dawood et al., 2020]

Furthermore, the financial part is mainly set aside in the analysis. Hydrogen solutions today are complex, and the technology is relatively new. DNV [2019] states that if a transition to hydrogen ever will be profitable, it must become more cost-effective and practically feasible. The

background study in Chapter 3 will briefly introduce the most critical cost differences between hydrogen and diesel solutions. The results in Chapter 6 present the capital expenditures (CAPEX) and operational expenditures (OPEX). A list of vessels was gathered by using maritime mobile service identity numbers (MMSI) and further separated by using three different types of OSVs, OCV, PSV, and AHTS vessel. A total of 283 vessels were used in the mapping, 66 OCVs, 122 PSVs, and 95 AHTSs. The characteristics for the fleet was gathered from Vesselfinder [2022] by using a python code for web scraping, which was initially created by Associate Professor Ekaterina Kim for use in a previous course at the Department of Marine Technology, *TMR12 - Ocean System Simulation.* The vessel characteristics can be seen in Appendix A. Figure 2.2 shows the length and deadweight tonnage (dwt) distribution of the vessels in the database. The trend is that the OCVs are mainly larger than the PSVs and AHTS vessels. All ships were picked randomly from well-established shipping companies around the world. They are supposed to illustrate an average OSV, and by investigating their operational profiles, it is possible to get a good picture of how the average OSV operates. The vessel names and MMSI numbers are not listed with the purpose of keeping the vessels and shipping companies anonymous.



Figure 2.2: Characteristics of vessel database.

The primary input in python is the AIS data gathered from The Norwegian Coastal Administration through NTNU. The AIS data is of message type 1, consisting of time, position, speed, course, MMSI, and status. The data time window extends from 01.01.2020 to 31.12.2020, with a few exceptions where some vessel data is missing a few months. Figure 2.3 illustrates the area covered by the given AIS data. The data length has been chosen to take into account the seasonal variations within a year. It can be further discussed if 2020 was a bad year in the offshore market and if this can potentially lead to an imprecise picture of how the market is. The AIS data was given as a database (.db) file, and there was a significant variation in the data size for the different vessels. Some vessels had AIS data consisting of more than 200 000 lines, while others only had 64 lines. Therefore, the data quality had to be constantly evaluated and cleaned if necessary. Different hydrogen storage solutions in combination with FCs are used as examples when determining the potential energy content of hydrogen. Conventional diesel machinery running on MDO is used for comparison.



Figure 2.3: AIS data coverage.

# Chapter 3

# Background study

This chapter will provide insight into previous research and similar projects carried out with hydrogen as the main topic. The background study is presumed to gain knowledge about the subject and get a more extensive overview of the current hydrogen status. At last, the problem description will be answered using the insight obtained in this background study.

### 3.1 Hydrogen today

Hydrogen as a fuel is getting more and more attention as the years go by. Despite the destructive impact of the pandemic on the automotive industry, more FC-driven cars were shipped in 2020 than ever before [E4Tech, 2020]. In America, the California Energy Commission announced its largest investment in hydrogen infrastructure since 2015, funding 110 new stations over the next five years. FC-driven buses are becoming more and more popular all around the world. China has the world's largest bus market and the largest FC electric bus park, with around 3600 buses. Norway is also joining the hydrogen trend; Scania has supplied ASKO with four hydrogen-powered trucks of 26 tonnes. They are installed with 90 kW PEMFC. Hydrogen is considered in the maritime industry as well. Companies like Ballard, CMR Protech, Nedstack, PowerCell, and Proton Power have all received orders for hydrogen-based shipping applications for 2021.

In 2020, Enova decided to give 14.6 MNOK in support to the Norwegian ferry company Norled [Enova, 2020]. This project will be the first to rebuild a ferry from bio-diesel propulsion to hydrogen FC propulsion. It will also be the first ferry to use compromised hydrogen as an energy carrier. Enova calculated the emission reduction potential to be 1 647 114  $CO_2$  equivalents per year. Norled has several interesting projects related to hydrogen. MF Hydra, shown in Figure 3.1, will be the first ferry to use liquefied hydrogen as fuel in combination with FCs [Maritimt Forum, 2021]. The ferry will start with battery propulsion in the summer of 2021 before it moves over to hydrogen propulsion during the spring of 2022. Linde will deliver the hydrogen in addition to building and installing the storing facilities. The hydrogen is produced by the world's largest proton exchange membrane (PEM) electrolysis plant in Leuna, Germany, with a capacity of 24 MW. The ferry is equipped with two 200 kW FCwave modules and 80  $m^3$  liquid  $H_2$  storage [E4Tech, 2020].



Figure 3.1: Norled's MF Hydra

Source: [Maritimt Forum, 2021]

Norway's first production plant for liquid hydrogen  $(LH_2)$  is planned to be built at Mongstad Industrial park [E24, 2021]. The plan is to start producing 6 tonnes of renewable hydrogen each year from 2024 using electrolysis. It will be a cooperation between BKK, Air Liquide, and Equinor. The main goal is to build a complete supply chain for LH<sub>2</sub> for the shipping industry. Additionally, Wilhelmsen plan to build two hydrogen cargo vessels to be used in this project [Wilhelmsen, 2020]. The main focus will be to distribute LH<sub>2</sub> along the west coast of Norway. The project is called Topeka and was awarded 219 MNOK by Enova in 2020. The vessels will transport both coastwise customer cargo and LH<sub>2</sub> to bunkering hubs along the coast, potentially removing up to 25 000 trucks from the road each year.



Figure 3.2: Wilhelmsen's Topeka hydrogen project

Source: [Wilhelmsen, 2020]

Havyard is another company that has taken part in the hydrogen revolution. They established a separate business called Havyard Hydrogen with the purpose of creating marine zero-emission energy systems. Havyard Hydrogen offers a propulsion system containing 3.2 MW FCs. This system is scalable and can be used by both large and small vessels [Havyard, 2021].

Back in 2019, according to [DNV, 2019], several initiatives were considering hybrid solutions with hydrogen in the shipping industry. They stated that the shipping segments with the most potential were the car and passenger ferries and high-speed vessels. But there was also potential in the off-shore segment. However, due to the current economic situation of the offshore shipping companies, DNV expects negative growth. Still, DNV assumes that there will be hydrogen propulsion on four vessels by the end of 2030, with a total annual need of 2500 tonnes of hydrogen.

### 3.1.1 Hydrogen demand in the maritime sector

Arena Ocean Hyway Cluster [2020] published a report to map and estimate the potential future hydrogen demand in the Norwegian domestic maritime sector. The main focus of the report was hydrogen and ammonia, with offshore, domestic ferries, and high-speed passenger ferries as the main sectors. The article reveals, among other things, that there will be a significant demand for both ammonia and hydrogen in the domestic maritime sector in 2035, both liquid and compressed hydrogen (CH<sub>2</sub>). DNV estimated that the Norwegian maritime sector alone had 4.8 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  emission in 2017 Arena Ocean Hyway Cluster [2020].

The report concludes that  $CH_2$  is the best technical and economical alternative in cases where it is possible to install the necessary equipment and bunkering solutions. Furthermore, they assume that this solution is best for vessels using less than 1000 kg hydrogen between bunkering operations. Figure 3.3a shows the estimated future demand for  $CH_2$ .



Figure 3.3: Estimated development of hydrogen demand.

Source: [Arena Ocean Hyway Cluster, 2020]

Moreover, the report concludes that  $LH_2$  is the best hydrogen option in cases with space limitations, limited bunkering time, and other technical constraints. The estimated future demand for  $LH_2$ can be seen in Figure 3.3b. In a report from 2020, *Pathway To Net Zero*, DNV [2020] states that hydrogen is a part of the net-zero strategy for the countries trying to decarbonize. The paper states that hydrogen will account for around 16% of the energy demand in road transport within 2050. Furthermore, DNV claim that hydrogen and its derivatives may supply 75% of the maritime fuel mix by 2050. Cluster [2020] claims that there are several complications regarding hydrogen as fuel. Table 3.1 summarizes the characteristics presented by Cluster [2020] and compares the hydrogen solutions with fossil fuels.

Table 3.1: Fuel ratings and predictions from Cluster [2020]

|                 | MGO  | HFO  | $\mathbf{CH}_2$ | $\mathbf{LH}_2$ |
|-----------------|------|------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sustainability  | Poor | Poor | Good            | Good            |
| Local Emission  | Poor | Poor | Good            | Good            |
| Comfort         | Fair | Fair | Good            | Good            |
| Cost            | Good | Good | Poor            | Poor            |
| Storage Density | Good | Good | Poor            | Poor            |
| Availability    | Good | Good | Fair            | Poor            |
| Safety          | Good | Good | Fair            | Fair            |
| Maturity        | Good | Good | Fair            | Poor            |

#### 3.1.2 Emission control areas

A large part of today's OSVs operate in emission control areas (ECAs), regions that are highly controlled with respect to emissions. Figure 3.4 illustrates both existing and possible future ECAs described by DNV-GL [2022]. The International Maritime Organization (IMO) limits the primary air pollutants contained in ship exhaust gas through MARPOL Annex VI [IMO, 2022]. Globally, the sulfur oxide regulations (SOx) were set to a maximum content of 0.5% from  $1^{st}$  January 2020. Additionally, more strict regulations were set in the areas shown in Figure 3.4, where the SOx content must be less than 0.1%. The ECAs also have strict regulations for nitrogen oxides (NOx), 3.4 g/kWh if the vessel has an engine speed lower than 130 rpm [International Maritime Organization, 2021].



Figure 3.4: ECAs.

Source: [Bø, 2016]

A CO<sub>2</sub> tax of 2.05 NOK/L (2.43 NOK/kg) must be expected when the vessel sails on MDO in 2022 [Finansdepartementet, 2022]. Additionally, vessels with installed propulsion systems of more than 750 kW have to pay a tax of 23.79 NOK per kilo NOx emissions [Skatteetaten, 2022]. The NOx taxes have risen by 8.4% over the last five years, and it is expected to grow in the future. The development of the NOx taxes from 2018 to 2022 can be seen in Appendix C.

#### 3.1.3 Potential emission reduction

More strict emission areas may be a solution toward a net-zero emission shipping industry by 2050 and can lead to shipowners having to take action. The predicted annual emissions from the world fleet, both IMO-registered and non-IMO, are 20.9 million tonnes of NOx and 831.3 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  [Johansson et al., 2017]. Jafarzadeh and Schjølberg [2017] state that alternative fuels and power systems are required to reduce emissions in shipping. Hydrogen and FCs are some of the most promising alternatives [Dawood et al., 2020]. Figure 3.5 illustrates some of the most beneficial sides of hydrogen and FCs. Hydrogen will reduce air emissions directly by controlling the emission formation. In addition, the FC will indirectly reduce energy consumption through energy efficiency, thus also the emissions.



Figure 3.5: Emission formation and energy efficiency of hydrogen and FC.

Source: [Jafarzadeh and Schjølberg, 2017]

Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020] calculate the carbon dioxide reduction potential based on tank-to-wake and further assume that there are no emissions when operating on hydrogen. Due to high uncertainty in the future demand of the offshore sector, the calculations used a *low scenario* case. Arena Ocean Hyway Cluster [2020] estimates a CO<sub>2</sub> reduction potential of 728 661 tonnes per year for the offshore sector. For comparison, the carbon dioxide emissions from passenger cars and heavy transport in Norway were approximately 8.2 million tonnes in 2020 [SSB, 2021].

Table 3.2: Key characteristics of alternative fuels [Gilbert et al., 2018].

| Fuel   | afe [m/l-Wh] | Fuel   | [g/kWh] |      |      |
|--------|--------------|--------|---------|------|------|
| ruei   | SIC [g/KWII] | $CO_2$ | $CH_4$  | SOx  | NOx  |
| MDO    | 170          | 524    | 0.010   | 0.32 | 14.8 |
| $LH_2$ | 57           | 0      | 0       | 0    | 0    |

Table 3.2 includes some relevant fuel characteristics gathered from Gilbert et al. [2018]. This article states that there are two main motivations for alternative fuels in shipping. The first one is to comply with current and future regulations, and the second one is to mitigate climate change by reducing GHG emissions.

### 3.2 Similar work

Many similar projects have been carried out in the past. In 2017 Ianssen et al. [2017] concluded that from a technological standpoint, the Norwegian fast ferry sector could become zero-emission in 2022. Aarskog and Danebergs [2020] estimates the energy demand in the Norwegian high-speed passenger ferry sector towards 2030, with the primary goal of mapping and assessing the potential hydrogen consumption. The energy consumption for each route is estimated based on the high-speed ferries' route length and fuel consumption. In conclusion, the study states a large potential for zero-emission operation. Out of 96 investigated routes, 51 of them could be hydrogen-powered, which would lead to an annual hydrogen consumption of 8710 tonnes and a reduction of fossil fuels by 93 % for the high-speed passenger ferry sector.

Another similar project is described by Sundvor et al. [2021], which also studied the potential of replacing today's high-speed passenger vessels with  $CH_2$  solutions. The study uses AIS data from 2018 in combination with a modeled energy consumption. The AIS data is used to track vessel movements and provide a basis for a thorough fleet analysis. The paper concluded that 51 out of the 73 vessels were suitable for hydrogen propulsion. The Norwegian government plans that all public transport should be fossil-free by 2050 [Regjeringen, 2019], which includes high-speed passenger vessels.

A study from Strømgren et al. [2020] evaluates the economic feasibility of FC-powered high-speed crafts. It compares with today's diesel propulsion systems and future scenarios using real-world operation profiles. AIS data is used to map the position of the route and further combined with speed and power characteristics for a concept vessel. The study concludes that high-speed crafts with FC systems are 28 % more expensive than diesel alternatives. He claims that the first hydrogen driven high-speed ferry will not be cost-competitive with conventional technology, mainly because of the high development costs. By weight, the study assumes that the FCs installed in the high-speed ferry will weigh 150 kg per 100 kW FC module.

GKP7H2 is a pilot project part of DNV-GLs Green Coastal Shipping Program and is further described by Nygård and Strømgren [2017]. The story behind the name is that the project was taken up by DNV-GL as pilot project number seven and into *Grønt Kystfartsprogram*, with hydrogen as a primary fuel. The project is based on a high-speed ferry route between Florø and Måløy with a long-term goal of getting hydrogen established as an alternative energy carrier for passenger ferries. The concept vessel is designed by Brødrene Aa, with an installed engine power of 1200 kW, a speed of 28 knots, and a length of 30 meters. Figure 3.6 illustrates the concept design by Brødrene Aa. The three hydrogen tanks can be seen on the vessel's top deck, each tank with a pressure of 250 bar and a hydrogen capacity of 150 kg.



Figure 3.6: Sketch of the pilot project GKP7h2, with design from Brødrene Aa.

Source: [Nygård and Strømgren, 2017]

This section reveals that several studies focus on high-speed passenger ferries, mainly because they have the highest emissions of GHGs per passenger-km traveled [Sundvor et al., 2021]. Yet, these studies have many similarities with the topic in this thesis and can be used for comparison.

### 3.3 Theoretical energy content of hydrogen

Hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe [McCarty et al., 1981]. However, practically none of it exists as free hydrogen gas [Zumdahl, 2009]. In 1981, McCarty et al. [1981] wrote that hydrogen was being seriously considered as a recyclable fuel substitute for petroleum and natural gas.

Considering a nonfossil fuel-based economy, we can engineer energy storage, distribution, and propulsion systems from less than a kW up to several MW using hydrogen systems. [Burheim, 2017]

Even though hydrogen has a high energy density by weight and seems like a compelling choice for a future fuel, three main problems are associated with its use: costs of production, storage, and transport [Zumdahl, 2009]. The following sections will look more into the achievable energy output of hydrogen with FCs.

#### 3.3.1 Thermodynamic properties of hydrogen

Dawood et al. [2020] summarize the results from more than 340 different sources. It claims that the energy content at higher heating value (HHV) of hydrogen is 141.8 MJ/kg at 298 K (25 °C), and the lower heating value (LHV) is 120.0 MJ/kg. Compared to, e.g., gasoline, the hydrogen energy content is much higher by weight. Gasoline has a LHV of 42.5 MJ/kg [Bossel, 2003]. On the other hand, the volumetric energy density  $(J/m^3)$  of hydrogen is much lower compared to gasoline and other fossil fuels. 8 MJ/L and 32 MJ/L for hydrogen and gasoline [Dawood et al., 2020]. The difference between the variety of fuels can be seen in Figure 3.7, which clearly illustrates the low volumetric energy density of hydrogen compared to other alternatives. Low volumetric energy density may cause the hydrogen solutions to require more space than today's MDO solutions, especially when the range becomes longer.



Figure 3.7: Gravimetric and volumetric energy densities of common fuels.

Source: [U.S Department of Energy, 2017]

The energy density of hydrogen is a major factor in investigating the theoretical sailing distances of ships using hydrogen as fuel. The LHV and HHV of hydrogen described in the previous section gives the energy output when hydrogen gas  $(H_2)$  reacts with oxygen  $(O_2)$  to form water  $(H_2O)$ . The cell reaction in a classic FC can be seen in Equation 3.1 and Figure 3.8. Li [2006] states that although the reactions at anode and cathode may be quite different in different types of FCs, the overall cell reaction remains the same as in Equation 3.1. The heating value is defined as the absolute value of the standard enthalpy of combustion [Li, 2006]. However, there is no combustion in a FC. The heating value (LHV and HHV) of hydrogen is used as a measure of the total amount of energy that is put into the FC. In other words, it will be the maximum amount of thermal energy that may be extracted from the hydrogen gas [Barbir, 2005]. The thermal energy depends on the state of the water output in the chemical reaction. If the water is liquid, the thermal energy is HHV = 141.8 MJ/kg. If the water is steam, the thermal energy will be LHV = 120.0 MJ/kg. The difference between HHV and LHV is equal to the enthalpy of water condensation [Li, 2006].

$$H_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \Rightarrow H_2O + Work + Waste Heat$$
(3.1)



Figure 3.8: FC diagram

The reaction in Equation 3.1 is an exothermic process, which implies that energy is released and the change in enthalpy is negative ( $\Delta H < 0$ ) [Khotseng, 2019]. A FC produces electricity. Unfortunately, not all the thermal energy can be converted into useful energy. Entropy change will often occur in a chemical reaction. Because of this, not all of the energy potential in the hydrogen can be converted into electricity. Entropy is the irreversible loss in the energy conversion [Zumdahl, 2009]. The electrical power output of a FC is calculated using the formula for Gibbs free energy shown in Equation 3.2, which represents the potential work from a chemical reaction [Burheim, 2017]. Khotseng [2019] describes H as the system's total thermal energy, S as the *unavailable* energy and G as the free energy, or the energy available to do useful work. The values used for calculating the free energy are shown in Table 3.3. The numbers are ideal gas properties and evaluated at one atmospheric pressure (atm) and 298 K (25 °C).

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S \tag{3.2}$$

Table 3.3: Enthalpy and entropy values for reactants and products [Li, 2006]

|                     | $h_f \left[ kJ/mol \right]$ | $s_f \left[ J/(mol \cdot K) \right]$ |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Hydrogen, $H_2$ (g) | 0.000                       | 130.595                              |
| Oxygen, $O_2$ (g)   | 0.000                       | 205.043                              |
| Water, $H_2O$ (g)   | -241.845                    | 188.715                              |

The enthalpy of a chemical reaction is the difference between the enthalpy values for the products and reactants. The product is assumed to be vaporized water for further calculations, as seen in Equation 3.3. The change in enthalpy, the total energy released as heat, can be seen in Equation 3.4.

$$H_2(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g) \Rightarrow H_2O(g) \tag{3.3}$$

$$\Delta H = \sum products - \sum reactants$$
  
=  $(h_f)_{H_2O} - \left[ (h_f)_{H_2} + \frac{1}{2} (h_f)_{O_2} \right]$   
=  $-241.845 \ kJ/mol - \left[ 0.000 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.000 \right]$   
=  $-241.845 \ kJ/mol$  (3.4)

Furthermore, the change in entropy is calculated in Equation 3.5, which is the irreversible losses in the energy conversion [Helbæk et al., 2006].

$$\Delta S = \sum products - \sum reactants$$
  
=  $(s_f)_{H_2O} - \left[ (s_f)_{H_2} + \frac{1}{2} (s_f)_{O_2} \right]$   
=  $188.715 \ J/(molK) - \left[ 130.595 \ J/(molK) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 205.043 \ J/(molK) \right]$   
=  $-44.4015 \ J/(molK)$  (3.5)

The free energy is calculated using the enthalpy  $(\Delta H)$  and entropy  $(\Delta S)$  in Equation 3.2. As stated earlier, a negative value implies that energy is released.

$$\Delta G = -241.845 \ kJ/mol - 298 \ K \cdot [-0.0444015 \ kJ/(molK)] = -228.613 \ kJ/mol$$
(3.6)

### 3.3.2 The compressibility of hydrogen

The density of hydrogen changes a lot with both temperature and pressure. At high pressure, the deviation from ideality will increase [Helbæk et al., 2006]. This deviation can be expressed by using the ideal gas law combined with the *virial equation* shown in Equation 3.7. This is a function with pressure and density, where the polynomial degree will increase towards infinity. The constants will account for the intermolecular contraction forces as the hydrogen gas becomes denser [Burheim, 2017]. In other words, they are the correction factors for nonideality.

$$\frac{p}{RT} = \left[\frac{1}{v}\right] + A \cdot \left[\frac{1}{v}\right]^2 + B \cdot \left[\frac{1}{v}\right]^3 + \dots$$
(3.7)

The pressure p will be in Pascal (Pa),  $\bar{R}$  is the molar gas constant ( $\bar{R} = 8.3144598 \ m^2 kg/s^2 Kmole$ ), T is the temperature in Kelvin (K), and v will be the molar volume ( $m^3/mole$ ). The constants (A, B, C, ...) will depend on temperature. The expression in Equation 3.8 is valid for temperatures at 300 K.

$$\frac{p}{RT} = \left[\frac{1}{v}\right] + 1.438 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{v}\right]^2 + 3.438 \cdot 10^{-10} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{v}\right]^3 + \dots$$
(3.8)

Table 3.4 summarize the results from the virial equation with two constants, as shown in Equation 3.8. Figure 3.9 illustrates how the molar volume varies with pressure. Both Hexagon Purus [2021] and UMOE Advanced Composites [2022] advertise hydrogen storage solutions for the maritime industry. The hydrogen characteristics for their storage solutions can be seen as red and black dots in Figure 3.9. The plot illustrates a small distinction between the virial equation and the numbers from UMOE and Hexagon Purus. This is probably because the virial equation calculates the molar volume for temperatures of 27 °C, while Hexagon and UMOE use 15 °C. The exact numbers presented by UMOE and Hexagon can be seen in Table G.1 in Appendix G. This data is retrieved for a 40 ft container.



Figure 3.9: Solution to virial equation.

Table 3.4: Results from virial equation with given pressure and temperature of 298 K.

| $\mathbf{Pressure} \ [Bar]$ | Molar volume $[mol/m^3]$ |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| (1  atm) 1.01               | 41                       |
| 10                          | 401                      |
| 100                         | 3810                     |
| 300                         | 10200                    |
| 400                         | 13000                    |
| 700                         | 19900                    |

### 3.3.3 Volumetric energy density of hydrogen

The volumetric energy density of hydrogen will depend on storage and energy conversion solutions. In addition to this, both storage and energy conversion are dependent on temperature and pressure. Section 3.3.1 described the theoretical energy output of a FC operating at one atm and 293 K. Section 3.3.2 depicted how the molar volume changed with storage pressure. Combining these results will obtain the volumetric energy density when hydrogen is used in FCs, presented in Table 3.6.

Table 3.5: Gibbs free energy of hydrogen reaction (Equation 3.2) with given temperature and pressure.

| Pressure | Temperature | Free Energy (G) |
|----------|-------------|-----------------|
| [Bar]    | [K]         | [kJ/mol]        |
| 1.01     | 298         | -228.613        |

Table 3.6: Volumetric energy density with different storage pressures and temperature of 298 K.

| Pressure<br>[Bar] | $\frac{\text{Molar Volume}}{[\text{mol}/\text{m}^3]}$ | Energy Density $[MJ/m^3]$ |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| (1  atm) 1.01     | 41                                                    | 9.3                       |
| 10                | 401                                                   | 91.7                      |
| 100               | 3810                                                  | 871                       |
| 300               | 10200                                                 | 2340                      |
| 400               | 13000                                                 | 2970                      |
| 700               | 19900                                                 | 4540                      |

#### 3.3.4 Fuel efficiencies

Ianssen et al. [2017] state that the FC efficiency is about 50 %. However, it is possible to increase the efficiency by taking advantage of the heat loss. Aarskog and Danebergs [2020], Ianssen et al. [2017], Letafat et al. [2020], and Strømgren et al. [2020] all assume a LHV for hydrogen at 33.3 kWh/kg (120 MJ/kg) with an estimated average FC efficiency of 50 %, with the exception of Letafat et al. [2020], who assume a FC efficiency of 45 %. Compared with a diesel LHV of 11.86 kWh/kg (42.70 MJ/kg) and an estimated diesel engine efficiency of 37 %. By using a diesel density of 845 kg/ $m^3$ , the volumetric energy density of diesel will be 36 100 MJ/m<sup>3</sup>. The hydrogen density will, as described above, depend on both pressure and temperature.

### 3.4 Hydrogen production

Today hydrogen is typically categorized in three different colors depending on how it is produced: grey, blue, and green, as seen in Figure 3.10. The color is set by which type of energy or additional technology is utilized to produce the hydrogen [Dawood et al., 2020]. Grey hydrogen is the most polluting type, the blue uses carbon capture and storage technologies to reduce the emissions, and the green is produced with 100% renewable energy sources.



Figure 3.10: Color categorization of hydrogen production.

Jensen [2021] states that there are mainly three ways of producing hydrogen, either by biomass, natural gas, or electricity. Each of the production methods produces emissions of different extent. The most used process today is steam methane reforming. The carbon emissions from this method are relatively high, around 10-12 kg  $CO_2$  per kg hydrogen produced. About 95% of hydrogen production uses fossil fuels [Jensen, 2021]. Deloitte [2020] states that 48% comes from natural gas, 30% from hydrocarbons/crude oil products, 18% from coal, and only 4% from electrolysis. As mentioned earlier, hydrogen has to be made from renewable sources to reduce the life cycle emissions of hydrogen vessels, so called green hydrogen. Electrolysis is one example of a green hydrogen production method, given that the electricity used in the process originates from renewable sources. This method separates the hydrogen from the oxygen in water by using electricity.

The North Sea is known for its large waves and strong winds. The area holds a vast wind energy potential. Offshore wind is one of the key building blocks for the green transition of Europe and for meeting the Paris climate goals. This is reflected by the 2050 capacity target of 300 GW set by the European Commission [North Sea Wind Power Hub, 2021].



Figure 3.11: Various hydrogen production pathways.

Source: [Commonwealth of Australia, 2018]

Commonwealth of Australia [2018] states that alkaline electrolyzers are the most mature and widely used technology for creating renewable hydrogen through electrolysis. This type of electrolyzers use an alkaline water solution as an electrolyte. Another method to produce hydrogen is called PEM electrolyzers. This method uses a polymer membrane instead of an alkaline solution. PEM electrolyzers are more efficient in producing hydrogen, but they are also more advanced to operate and more expensive. Figure 3.11 illustrates various methods to produce hydrogen.

Figure 3.12 estimates the world hydrogen production. DNV [2020] predict that the share of noncarbon-free hydrogen will be less than 5% in 2050. A large share of hydrogen production is expected to come from offshore and onshore wind power. Electrolysis by using grid power is predicted to have the largest share by 2050.



Figure 3.12: Prediction of world hydrogen production by source.

Source: [DNV, 2020]

#### 3.4.1 Production costs

According to Elgohary et al. [2015], more than 50% of a ship's operating expenses are fuel oil costs. This is why a large part of the shipowners use heavy fuel oil (HFO), as it is both easily accessible and inexpensive. If hydrogen is compared to HFO, it has low availability and is expensive. International Energy Agency [2021] (IEA) assumed a cost development for hydrogen production in the future, more specifically, 2060. The assumption neglected the most polluting methods because of the strict emission demands towards 2060. The price for hydrogen production in 2019 by using low-carbon electricity is claimed to be 3.2 - 7.7 U.S. Dollar (USD) per kg of hydrogen produced (2019 exchange rate: 28 - 68 NOK). IEA predicts a much lower cost for hydrogen in the future, from 1.3 - 3.3 USD per kg of hydrogen produced (2019 exchange rate: 11 - 29 NOK). According to Bruce et al. [2018], the CAPEX for producing and storing LH<sub>2</sub> is 10.63 USD/kg  $H_2/y$ , while the OPEX are assumed to be 0.92 USD/kg  $H_2/y$ . Ianssen et al. [2017] claimed in 2017 that the current development in hydrogen production could lead to prices of 25 NOK per kilogram of hydrogen, while Strømgren et al. [2020] claims that a hydrogen price below 45 NOK/kg only can be achieved by large scale production.

### 3.5 Hydrogen storage

Converting power to hydrogen may be a promising solution for storage of renewable energy. It can be the first step to achieving a 100% renewable and sustainable hydrogen economy [Dawood et al., 2020]. Unfortunately, due to the relatively low ignition temperature of the hydrogen gas, there is a large portion of risk associated with it. In addition, hydrogen is capable of escaping through materials because of its small molecule size. This places even greater demands on the storage method. A hydrogen leakage can potentially lead to severe incidents.

As stated in Section 3.3.1, hydrogen has the highest energy per mass of any fuel. Still, its low ambient temperature density results in a low energy per unit volume [Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, 2020]. By mass, hydrogen has almost three times larger energy content than gasoline, with 120 MJ/kg for hydrogen and 44 MJ/kg for gasoline. However, by volume, the advantage is swapped. LH<sub>2</sub> has a density of 8000 MJ/ $m^3$ , while the gasoline density is 32 000 MJ/ $m^3$ . This is why more advanced storage methods are necessary to have a potential for higher
energy density using hydrogen. Hydrogen can be stored as either a gas or a liquid. The boiling point of hydrogen at one atm is 20.28 Kelvin (-252.87 °C) [Mazloomi and Gomes, 2012].

Strømgren et al. [2020] depict that a tank from Hexagon of 250 bar, volume of 8500 liters, and a hydrogen capacity of 150 kg will cost around 720 USD per kg of stored hydrogen. With additional costs from valves and piping, bunkering interface, instrumentation, safety systems, class approval, and testing, the total cost is assumed to be 13 500 NOK/kg of stored hydrogen. Compared to maritime battery solutions, Aarskog et al. [2020] point out that a 250-350 bar hydrogen tank is about five times lighter than the battery solutions.

#### 3.5.1 Compressed hydrogen

The progress in material science has led to a development within composite gas cylinders. By using composite plastic, reinforced glass, or carbon fiber, the cylinders can store hydrogen under pressures up to 350-700 bar [Tarasov et al., 2007]. Mazloomi and Gomes [2012] describe gas compression as the most time and energy-efficient method due to the efficiency, design, cost, and environmental advantages. The article also points out that storing the hydrogen under high pressure as  $CH_2$  will have 4-5 times less cost than  $LH_2$ . However, Decker [2019] states that  $CH_2$  requires 4 times more footprint than  $LH_2$  as a rule of thumb. FC vehicles like Toyota Mirai and Hyundai Nexo use pressurized hydrogen at 700 bar [Commonwealth of Australia, 2018]. The weight of the hydrogen tank in the Toyota Mirai is 88 kg, and the FC weighs 56 kg [Toyota, 2022]. Compared to a Nissan Leaf with a battery pack of 24 kWh that weighs 294 kg [DNV, 2019]. According to Körner et al. [2015], storing  $CH_2$  requires pressures from 18 MPa to 70 MPa to make it economically. Compression to 35 MPa will require 8-13 % of the original energy content of the hydrogen [DNV, 2019]. Sundvor et al. [2021] estimate 20 minutes for bunkering 450 kg hydrogen at 250 bar.

#### 3.5.2 Liquid hydrogen

Hydrogen liquefaction is highly energy demanding because of the extremely low boiling temperature. Large amounts of energy are required to lower the temperature to -252 °C. This process alone consumes 20-30 % of the starting energy content of the hydrogen [Commonwealth of Australia, 2018]. This is slightly lower than assumed by Körner et al. [2015], who believe that between 25 % and 40 % of the energy is used for liquefaction. On the other side, Berstad et al. [2013] state that reducing the consumption to 19.2 % of the starting energy content is possible. Additionally, in a tank with a volume of 50  $m^3$  the evaporation rate will be approximately 0.4 % per day. For larger tanks up to 20 000  $m^3$ , the evaporation will be less than 0.06 % per day [US Drive, 2016].



Figure 3.13:  $LH_2$  tank from Linde.

Source: [Decker, 2019]

Linde is one of the largest industrial gas companies by market share and revenue [Research and Markets, 2021]. Figure 3.13 shows an example of a LH<sub>2</sub> tank from Linde. It is designed to fit into a 40 ft container, the inner volume of the tank is 11.5 m<sup>3</sup>, and it has a design pressure of 6 bar (g). The storage capacity is 900 kg LH<sub>2</sub>. The boil-off ratio in a tank like this will be less than 5.5 kg

per day [Decker, 2019]. According to Linde [2021], their most prominent liquid storage solutions have a capacity of 26 tonnes of  $LH_2$  with a pressure of 12 bar (g).

#### 3.5.3 Hydrogen containing liquid

At last, storing hydrogen in a hydrogen-containing liquid is also an opportunity. One of the most promising methods for this is using ammonia [Commonwealth of Australia, 2018]. This has a high hydrogen density and a higher boiling temperature (-33.4 °C) compared to hydrogen alone (-253 °C). Ammonia contains around 17.6 % hydrogen based on weight [DNV, 2019]. In addition to this, ammonia has a higher volumetric energy density than pure hydrogen. Unfortunately, it will still have low efficiency in the fuel production chain [Jensen, 2021].

## 3.6 Fuel cell types

A FC consists of an anode and a cathode, with an electrolyte between them. It is an electrochemical device that converts the chemical energy of reactants directly into electrical energy [Li, 2006]. A study on FCs in shipping by DNV in 2017 evaluated seven different FC technologies [Tronstad et al., 2017]:

- Alkaline fuel cell (AFC)
- Proton exchange membrane fuel cell (PEMFC)
- High-temperature PEMFC (HT-PEMFC)
- Direct methanol fuel cell (DMFC)
- Phosphoric acid fuel cell (PAFC)
- Molten carbonate fuel cell (MCFC)
- Solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC)

The seven FC technologies were rated based on relative cost, power level, lifetime, flexibility in fuel type, technological maturity, physical size, emissions, safety, and efficiency. Three different FC types stood out for marine use when the ranking was performed. These were SOFC, PEMFC and HT-PEMFC, and are further explained in Section 3.6.1, Section 3.6.2, and Section 3.6.3.

E4tech publishes a review of the FC industry every year. It is worth mentioning that this does not only apply to the maritime industry but the whole market. The bar chart in Figure 3.14 shows that the use of FCs has increased in recent years. Additionally, the green colors show that PEMFC is the most widely used FC type.



(a) Shipments by FC type 2016-2020 (1000 units)



Figure 3.14: Use of FCs from 2016 to 2020

Source: [E4Tech, 2020]

Figure 3.15 illustrates the prediction of future FC prices and lifecycle length made by Deloitte [2020]. The prognosis is made based on FC buses, but it can still be a good indication of the maritime market's pricing. The FC pricing is set to 1500 USD/kW in 2019 and is expected to decrease to 600 USD/kW in 2029. Furthermore, Deloitte [2020] expects the life cycle length of FCs to increase over the years, from about 25 000 hours in 2019 to 30 000 hours in 2029. In addition, a reduction of 60% is expected for the maintenance cost of FCs in the next ten years.



Figure 3.15: Prediction of future FC system prices and life cycle length.

Source: [Deloitte, 2020]

#### 3.6.1 Proton exchange membrane fuel cell

The proton exchange membrane fuel cell (PEMFC) is a relatively mature technology used in marine and other high-energy applications [Tronstad et al., 2017]. This is also supported by Deloitte [2020], who depicts that PEMFC is the most commercialized type today, primarily because of its low operating temperature. The positive and negative aspects of PEMFC are summarized in Table 3.7. Figure 3.16 illustrates the flow chart of a PEMFC, both the input (hydrogen and oxygen) and output (electricity and water). Strømgren et al. [2020] and Aarskog et al. [2020] state that the price of a PEMFC is approximately 3000 USD/kW. However, Thompson et al. [2018] claim that if FCs are to become competitive with internal combustion engines, a significant cost reduction and durability are required. The 2025 FC targets set by the U.S. Department of Energy are 40 USD/kW and 5000 hours of durability. According to Jogchum Bruinsma, maritime application manager in Nedstack, their MT-FCPI-500 FC system will be a good choice for OSVs (personal communication, 02.04.2022). This is a low-temperature PEMFC with efficiency from 59 to 63 %, depending on the power output. The nominal power for the FC system is 500 kW, with a peak power of 626 kW [Nedstack, 2022].

Table 3.7: Positive and negative aspects of PEMFC from [Tronstad et al., 2017]

| $\mathbf{Positive} \ [+]$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Negative [-]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul> <li>+ Mature technology</li> <li>+ Low cost</li> <li>+ Low operating temperature [50-100 °C]</li> <li>+ Only water as byproduct</li> <li>+ Size up to 626 kW [Nedstack, 2022]</li> <li>+ Small physical size</li> <li>+ Low temperature makes it possible to cold start</li> <li>+ Highest score in DNVs ranking</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Risk and safety related to use</li> <li>Risk and safety related to storage</li> <li>Moderate efficiency (50-60%)</li> <li>Sensitive to impurities in hydrogen</li> <li>Moderate lifetime</li> <li>Platinum catalyst has high cost</li> </ul> |



Figure 3.16: Flow chart of PEMFC

Source: [Tronstad et al., 2017]

#### 3.6.2 High temperature proton exchange membrane fuel cell

The main characteristics of high temperature proton exchange membrane fuel cell (HT-PEMFC) are summarized in Table 3.8. Except for the temperature, the main difference between low-temperature PEMFC and HT-PEMFC is that the high temperature makes the FC less sensitive to impurities. This lowers the requirements for hydrogen quality, thus lower costs and simpler systems [Tronstad et al., 2017].

Table 3.8: Positive and negative aspects of HT-PEMFC from [Tronstad et al., 2017] and [Nerem, 2018].

| $\mathbf{Positive}\ [+]$                  | Negative [-]                                          |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| + Higher temperatures reduces             | - Risk and safety related to use                      |
| sensitivity towards impurities            | - Risk and safety related to storage                  |
| + Excess energy can be used for           | - Moderate efficiency (50-60%)                        |
| internal heating purposes                 | - Less mature than PEMFC                              |
| + Only water as byproduct                 | - Operational temperature of 200 $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ |
| + Size up to 90kW (3x30kW) (2017)         | - Expensive catalyst                                  |
| + Small physical size                     | - Impossible to cold start                            |
| + Tolerance for fuel impurities, simpler, |                                                       |
| lighter and cheaper reformers can be      |                                                       |
| used to produce hydrogen                  |                                                       |

#### 3.6.3 Solid oxide fuel cell

Solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC) is another high-temperature FC. It operates at temperatures around 500-1000 °C [Tronstad et al., 2017]. This type of FC is flexible to fuel types. It can use hydrogen, liquefied natural gas (LNG), methanol, and hydrocarbons. However, some of these fuels will cause emissions of  $CO_2$ , thus not a zero-emission solution. Figure 3.17 shows a flowchart where LNG is used as input. It illustrates that the output is not only electricity and water but also  $CO_2$ . Additionally, this type of FC will have an option of a heat recovery system, which can be used to extract electricity and make it more effective.

Table 3.9: Positive and negative aspects of SOFC from [Tronstad et al., 2017] and [Nerem, 2018].

| $\mathbf{Positive}\ [+]$                  | Negative [-]                              |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| + Moderately sized                        | - Risk and safety related                 |
| + Flexible towards different fuels        | to high temperatures                      |
| + Efficiency of $85\%$ with heat recovery | - High operating temperatures             |
| + Possible to increase life cycle by      | [500-1000 °C]                             |
| combining SOFC and batteries              | - Slow start up                           |
| + Combining SOFC and batteries            | - Moderate electrical efficiency $(60\%)$ |
| leads to faster start up                  | - High cost                               |
| + Small physical size                     | - Strict material requirements            |
|                                           |                                           |



Figure 3.17: Flow chart of SOFC

Source: [Tronstad et al., 2017]

## 3.7 Hydrogen policy

DNV [2020] states that there are three fundamental key drivers needed to push the decarbonization in shipping:

- Regulations and policies
- Access to investors and capital
- Cargo owner and consumer expectations

Strømgren et al. [2020] depict that new technologies may lead to higher costs than conventional systems. Therefore, it is essential with incentives and public support to overcome these challenges. The Norwegian government stated in 2020 that Norway should have an increased focus on hydrogen and aim toward a low emission society [The Norwegian Government, 2020]. The government will pursue the development of new low emission technologies, and the goal is to have an internationally competitive business that addresses tomorrow's challenges. They state that Hydrogen is an energy carrier with a significant potential for reducing local, national, and global emissions and creating economic value for Norwegian businesses.

### **3.8** Risk assessment of hydrogen as fuel

As described in Section 3.5, with the low ignition temperature of hydrogen, great risk follows. In addition to this, the small molecule size makes the risk of escaping through materials very high. On the contrary, hydrogen is non-toxic and lighter than air [Dawood et al., 2020], making it disappear rapidly in case of leakage compared to other fuels. The main concern is if the leakage is not identified and the gas accumulates in enclosed spaces. In the worst case, a tiny spark will cause a large explosion. Placing the fuel tank in an open environment with adequate aeration can be a risk-reducing measure for this case. In 2019, an assembly failure caused a hydrogen tank at

an Uno-X gas station to explode at Sandvika [NRK, 2019]. The main cause of the accident was a human assembly error in the high-pressure storage unit which led to a hydrogen leak that ignited [NEL, 2019].

Some of the most critical findings from the safety assessment in Tronstad et al. [2017] are:

- Internal leakage in FC module
- High energy collision penetrating LH<sub>2</sub> tank
- Rupture of  $CH_2$  tank containment system
- Leakage of hydrogen-rich gases

Proposed measures to reduce the risk are to let the distances between the hydrogen tanks reach the same safety level as conventional fuelled vessels, evaluate whether the hydrogen tanks should be placed away from the accommodation areas, and figure out where to place the hydrogen tanks with respect to collision probability. Sundvor et al. [2021] depict that hydrogen storage tanks need to be located on open deck due to safety. Table 3.10 summarize the most critical incidents and suggested mitigation measures identified by Tronstad et al. [2017]. The different scenarios and the associated risk are illustrated in the risk matrix in Table 3.11. This shows that incident (1) ends up in the red zone with high risk, indicating that the risk cannot be justified and mitigation measures have to be introduced. The incidents (2), (3), and (4) are all in the ALARP zone, which means that mitigation measures should be introduced to reduce the risk as low as reasonably practicable.

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| Num.<br>Incident    | 1                                                                                                                                  | 2                                                                                                                                                                    | 3                                                                                        | 4                                                                                                                        |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hazard              | Internal leakage<br>in FC Module                                                                                                   | High energy<br>collision<br>penetrating LH <sub>2</sub><br>tank                                                                                                      | Rupture of $CH_2$ tank containment system.                                               | Leakage of<br>hydrogen<br>rich gases                                                                                     |
| Effect              | Can lead to<br>high stack<br>temperatures<br>and internal<br>oxidation<br>processes or<br>internal fire.<br>Shut down<br>of stack. | Damage to the<br>tank system.<br>Potential<br>immediate<br>ignition.                                                                                                 | Fatigue can<br>lead to<br>tank rupture.<br>Potential<br>damage the<br>ship<br>structure. | Mechanical<br>failure, welding<br>failure. Potential<br>self ignition.                                                   |
| Mitigation          | Evaluate<br>amount of fuel<br>in FC space.<br>Minimize<br>combustible<br>material in FC.                                           | Evaluate<br>distance<br>between tank<br>and shipside.<br>Assess hydrogen<br>release scenarios<br>in respect to<br>ignition.<br>Evaluate<br>collision<br>probability. | Install<br>suitable<br>pressure<br>relief system.                                        | Modules installed<br>in protected FC<br>space. Gas<br>detection<br>ventilation.<br>Fire detection.<br>Fire extinguisher. |
| Frequency<br>(Oi)   | 4                                                                                                                                  | 2                                                                                                                                                                    | 2                                                                                        | 3                                                                                                                        |
| Consequence<br>(Si) | 4                                                                                                                                  | 5                                                                                                                                                                    | 5                                                                                        | 4                                                                                                                        |
| Risk<br>Level       | High                                                                                                                               | ALARP                                                                                                                                                                | ALARP                                                                                    | ALARP                                                                                                                    |

| Table 3.10: Most critical FC | and hydrogen related | findings from | Tronstad et al. | [2017]. |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------|
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------|

Valland [2020] states that hydrogen can be stored as both  $CH_2$  and  $LH_2$ , and the risks associated with these are high pressure and extremely low temperatures, respectively. Complex storage systems will be more prone to failure and leakages. Because of the low temperatures and high complexity, the bunkering should be performed with sufficient safety zones and strict rules. In cases where ammonia is used, the safety zones should be even larger due to the toxicity of ammonia.

| Consequence / | 1.         | 2.    | 3.       | 4.    | 5.           |
|---------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|--------------|
| Frequency     | Negligible | Minor | Moderate | Major | Catastrophic |
| 1. Improbable |            |       |          |       |              |
| 2. Remote     |            |       |          |       | (2), (3)     |
| 3. Occasional |            |       |          | (4)   |              |
| 4. Probable   |            |       |          | (1)   |              |
| 5. Frequent   |            |       |          |       |              |

Table 3.11: Risk matrix from Tronstad et al. [2017].

Cluster [2020] claims that the main hazards of using hydrogen as a fuel are explosive, flammable, and cryogenic. Hydrogen embrittlement is also highlighted as a major challenge. The small size makes hydrogen molecules able to permeate through materials. Cluster [2020] presents three safety zones to cope with the different risks. These are further described in Table 3.12. It is worth mentioning that the report emphasizes that the acceptable risk for all zones are substantially lower than the average risk for dying for other reasons, both natural causes and accidents, for any age group and gender.

| Table 3.12: | Description | of safety | zones from | Cluster | [2020] | • |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|---|
|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|---|

| Zone         | Fatality risk [1/year] | Regulation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|              |                        | Should be within the facility property limits,<br>however, exception exists for certain public<br>areas with limited presence of people for                                                                                                                                 |
| Inner Zone   | $1 \ge 10^{-5}$        | shorter periods of time. A person spending all                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|              |                        | his/her time in this zone will die from a facility                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|              |                        | related accident once every 100 000 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|              |                        | Public roads, railway stations, quays, offices or                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|              |                        | industry can be within this zone. Private homes,                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Middle Zone  | $1 \times 10^{-6}$     | $10^{-6}$ Public roads, railway stations, quays, offices or<br>industry can be within this zone. Private homes,<br>guesthouses or accommodation should not be within<br>the middle zone. A person spending all his/her tim<br>in this zone will die from a facility related |
| Middle Zolle | 1 X 10                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|              |                        | in this zone will die from a facility related                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|              |                        | accident once every 1 000 000 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|              |                        | Areas regulated for homes and general use by                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|              |                        | population can be within this zone. A person                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Outher Zone  | $1 \ge 10^{-7}$        | spending all his/her time in this zone will die                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|              |                        | from a facility-related accident once every                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|              |                        | 10 000 000 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

De Groot [1982] describes the hazards associated with leakage in oil and gas pipelines and how this can damage the surrounding environment and wildlife. On the other side, Midilli et al. [2005] state that hydrogen can be transported safely in pipelines, and since hydrogen is a clean and non-toxic energy carrier, it will not affect the environment to the same extent. The main hazard of hydrogen leakage is, as described above, explosion.

At last, Strømgren et al. [2020] claims that the risk associated with hydrogen solutions is acceptable and comparable to conventional diesel systems. The risk assessment of Aarskog et al. [2020] also concludes that the risk related to the hydrogen systems is relatively low and much lower than the expected acceptable risk tolerance level of 0.5-1.0 fatalities per 10<sup>9</sup> passenger-km. This risk assessment was performed on a ferry, which usually is more crowded than an OSV.

## 3.9 OSV types and operational modes

This section will focus on the different types of OSVs (OCV, PSV, and AHTS) and their different operational modes:

- Transit
- $\bullet~{\rm Standby}$
- Dynamic positioning (DP)
- Anchor handling (AH), AHTS
- Towing, AHTS

A DP system is supposed to assist the vessel in maintaining its position when exposed to various hydrometeorological conditions. During positioning, the fuel consumption will be substantial because the thrusters work all the time [Lebkowski and Wnorowski, 2021]. Transit speed will vary with priorities and market situation. Lindstad et al. [2017] state that a speed around 10 knots is the best in terms of economy. Table 3.13 summarizes the average values for the vessels used in this analysis. The characteristics for all vessels can be seen in Appendix A. The average age of the vessels in the database is 10-12 years. Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020] state that the design lifetime for ships is 20-30 years. Total installed power is estimated using a graph from Erikstad and Levander [2012], where installed power is given as a function of gross tonnage (gt), which can be seen in Appendix B.

Table 3.13: Average values from vessel database. Installed power in italic is estimated by using power/gt graph from Erikstad and Levander [2012].

|                     |        | OCV   | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS  |
|---------------------|--------|-------|----------------|-------|
| Year                | [-]    | 2010  | 2012           | 2010  |
| $\operatorname{gt}$ | [tons] | 9264  | 3727           | 5149  |
| dwt                 | [tons] | 6375  | 4231           | 3498  |
| Length              | [m]    | 111   | 84             | 82    |
| Width               | [m]    | 23    | 18             | 20    |
| Installed power     | [kW]   | 10000 | 8000           | 17500 |

#### 3.9.1 PSV

PSVs are used to supply and transfer goods, equipment, and people to offshore installations. They operate from a shore base and carry supplies to the offshore fields [Erikstad and Levander, 2012]. Valland [2020] states that they are installed with DP systems on various degrees and often installed with equipment related to oil spill recovery and fire fighting in case of secondary duties. Figure 3.18 illustrates the tank and void spaces for a normal PSV.



Figure 3.18: Tank top and  $2^{nd}$  deck of PSV.

Source: [Solstad Offshore, 2022]

#### 3.9.2 AHTS

AHTS vessels usually have their area of use in installing and handling mooring equipment for large floating structures [Valland, 2020]. The vessels are installed with high bollard pull capabilities to move large offshore installations. The mooring chains are heavy for deep water operations and will require a high bollard pull from the vessel [Erikstad and Levander, 2012]. Ognedal [2021] depicts

the North Sea as an area with especially rough conditions compared to the US and Arabian Gulf and the vessels operating here are often equipped with even higher bollard pull. Myklebust and Ådnanes [2011] states that from 2007 to 2012, ABB installed electrical solutions for 24 hybrid propulsion AHTS vessels. The total installed propulsion power varied from 14 to 24 MW. Which is within what is estimated for the average AHTS vessel in Table 3.13. Some AHTS vessels can also operate in supply mode as a PSV. Table 3.14 presents the operational profile for an AHTS vessel identified by Strande [2018]. This analysis was based on 66 different AHTS vessels from various owners.

Table 3.14: Offshore operational profile for AHTS from Strande [2018].

|               | Time offshore $[\%]$ |
|---------------|----------------------|
| AH            | 13                   |
| Towing        | 18                   |
| Transit       | 18                   |
| $\mathrm{DP}$ | 13                   |
| Standby       | 38                   |

#### 3.9.3 OCV

OCVs are used for construction and maintenance at sea. Platforms, wellheads, under-water pumping units, pipelines, and power cables are typical tasks for an OCV, according to Erikstad and Levander [2012]. The deck is large and open to carry large structures at sea. The vessel is normally equipped with a large, heavy crane, moonpools for subsea work, remotely operated underwater vehicles (ROVs), and a helicopter deck for exchanging personnel at sea. Pettersen [2015] describes OCVs as multi-functional vessels.

## 3.10 OSV expenditures

This section will have a brief look into the different expenses associated with OSVs. The overall expenditures is used to compare the hydrogen FC solutions with today's conventional solutions. The costs in this study are primarily given in Norwegian Kroner (NOK), with an exchange rate of 9.83 NOK/USD [Norges Bank, 2022]. If some values are older, the exchange rate for the given year is used in combination with an average yearly inflation rate of 2.5%.

#### 3.10.1 CAPEX

According til Clarkson's Offshore Intelligence Network the newbuild price for a PSV built in Europe with a deck area larger than 900 m<sup>2</sup> will be around 480 MNOK (2022). The newbuild prices for all vessel types are summarized in Table 3.15. They are all from Clarkson's Offshore Intelligence Network and apply to vessels built in Europe. The CAPEX for OCVs was not found and is assumed to be a little more expensive than the largest AHTS vessels from Clarkson's network.

Table 3.15: CAPEX for different OSV types from Clarkson's Offshore Intelligence Network.

|                | CAPEX $(2022)$ |
|----------------|----------------|
|                | [MNOK]         |
| OCV            | 790.7          |
| $\mathbf{PSV}$ | 478.9          |
| AHTS           | 590.3          |

Lindstad et al. [2017] state that a typical OSV is installed with 8000 kW when built for operating in the North Sea. This is covered using four main conventional diesel engines with 2000 kW each,

where the price for one of these was estimated to be 7.0 mill USD in 2017. In today's worth, this will be 65.8 MNOK, which will give a price of around 8200 NOK/kW of installed machinery.

Table 3.16: Estimated investment cost of hydrogen driven high-speed ferry from Strømgren et al. [2020].

|                                                 | $\mathbf{Unit}$    | Value                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Total propulsion power                          | [kW]               | 1200                                         |
| Cost of FC systems<br>(permanent installations) | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $\begin{array}{c} 12.6\\ 10 500 \end{array}$ |
| Cost of FC systems<br>(degradable components)   | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $\begin{array}{c} 12.6\\ 10 500 \end{array}$ |
| Cost of hydrogen<br>storage systems             | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $6.12 \\ 5100$                               |
| Power electronics<br>and electric motors        | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $6.12 \\ 5100$                               |
| Total cost of FC system                         | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $31.3 \\ 26 \ 100$                           |

Table 3.16 describes the CAPEX for a high-speed ferry with installed FCs and hydrogen storage. The required propulsion power for the high speed ferry was assumed to be 1200 kW, which is much smaller than for an OSV, but it might give a reasonable prediction of the installation price for FCs per kW. Figure 3.19 illustrates the estimation of FC CAPEX made by Ianssen et al. [2017] in 2017. The estimated cost for 2020 is 79% lower than what was estimated by Strømgren et al. [2020] in 2020. Because the assumption made by Strømgren et al. [2020] is the most recent, this will be used for further calculations.



Figure 3.19: Estimated FC CAPEX cost from Strømgren et al. [2020] and Ianssen et al. [2017].

#### 3.10.2 OPEX

OPEX are, according to Strømgren et al. [2020], normally divided into fuel, maintenance, and fees, where fuel costs are the dominant share. The different vessel types' operational profiles and energy demand are used to get an assumption of the fuel costs. Section 3.5 depicts several different assumptions for the price of hydrogen. Further in the thesis, a price for hydrogen is assumed between the estimate from Ianssen et al. [2017] (25 NOK/kg) and Strømgren et al. [2020] (45 NOK/kg), which indicates a price of 34 NOK/kg. According to Ship & Bunker [2022] the MDO cost is around 11.8 NOK/kg (12.05.2022), which is relatively high compared to developments in recent years.

Strømgren et al. [2020] state that due to the relatively low weight of FCs it can be assumed that service and maintenance mainly consist of replacing degraded FC modules. In addition, this can be performed while the vessel is in operation. The annual maintenance costs for the high-speed ferry described by Strømgren et al. [2020] are assumed to be 0.675 MNOK and 1.130 MNOK for a hydrogen and diesel solution, respectively. Maintenance of deck accessories, cleaning of engine rooms, and annual lubricating oil consumption are also included in the maintenance costs for the conventional diesel machinery. The hydrogen FC concept adds additional costs for technical maintenance and safety systems, which have an annual cost of 0.45 MNOK. The values are summarized in Table 3.17 and made dimensionless by dividing the number of kW in the concept ferry (1200 kW).

Table 3.17: Estimated annual maintenance costs, hydrogen and diesel concept Strømgren et al. [2020].

|                                          | $\mathbf{Unit}$    | Hydrogen & FC                             | Diesel        |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Annual maintenance<br>cost               | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $\begin{array}{c} 0.675\\ 563\end{array}$ | $1.13 \\ 942$ |
| Technical maintenance and safety systems | [MNOK]<br>[NOK/kW] | $0.45 \\ 375$                             | 0.00<br>000   |

## 3.11 Hub utilization

Section 3.3.3 states that the volumetric energy density of hydrogen is significantly lower than other fuel types, e.g., MDO. This can make it more challenging to reach the same sailing distances with hydrogen as fuel. Introducing an offshore refueling and supply hub may solve this capacity problem. The definition of a hub is the effective center of an activity [Cambridge Dictionary, 2021]. For this case, the hub will most likely function as a refueling station. In addition, it may work as an offshore supply base. This will considerably reduce the required sailing distance and make it less dependent on large fuel tanks.



Figure 3.20: Hub solution from the North Sea Wind Power Hub Programme

Source: [North Sea Wind Power Hub, 2021]

North Sea Wind Power Hub [2021] is a project that investigates the possibilities of utilizing hubs. It is described as *a new approach to the challenge of integrating renewable energy* and that it is a solution for achieving the net zero-emission goals in 2050. Figure 3.20 illustrates one of the hub solutions described in the program. The hub will first and foremost act as a connection point between the offshore floating wind installations and the shore. In addition to this, it looks at the possibilities of producing green hydrogen by using energy from wind turbines.

## Chapter 4

# Methods

This chapter provides an overview of the methods used to analyze the potential of using hydrogen in today's OSVs. Figure 4.1 provides an overview of the model used to obtain the results. The primary purpose of the different methods is to get an overview of the demand and possibilities that lie in the OSV fleet. Section 4.1 briefly introduces the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) of using hydrogen as fuel. Section 4.3 and Section 4.4 describes the methods used to highlight the power needed to propel a vessel. Furthermore, Section 4.5 outline the function used to calculate the maximum theoretical sailing distances (D<sub>max</sub>) for the various fuel types. Section 4.6 gives a quick introduction of essential python codes made to solve the objective. At last, Section 4.7 presents two methods used to map the zero-emission potential.



Figure 4.1: Model overview.

## 4.1 SWOT analysis of hydrogen as fuel in shipping

A brief SWOT analysis was performed before undertaking the thesis. It is a method used to examine the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of a field of interest, and can make it easier to identify the problems that need to be solved. In addition, it can bring out the positive aspects that can be used to push the project towards realization. The analysis is summarized in Table 4.1 and Figure 4.2.

| Table 4.1: | The | process       | of | pinpointing | strengths | weaknesses. | opportunities         | and | threats. |
|------------|-----|---------------|----|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|-----|----------|
|            |     | T · · · · · · |    | r r · · O   |           | ,           | T T T T T T T T T T T |     |          |

|               | 1. Only water as byproduct when using hydrogen.                      |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Strengths     | <b>2.</b> Low noise and vibration level.                             |
|               | <b>3.</b> Hydrogen has high gravimetric energy density and high      |
|               | efficiency in FCs.                                                   |
|               | 4. Ships running on hydrogen can operate in strict emission areas.   |
| Opportunities | 5. Norway has good access to renewables to create green hydrogen.    |
|               | 6. Today's renewables rely on weather, hydrogen can be used to store |
|               | potential excess energy.                                             |
|               | 7. Limited lifetime of FC components, as well as a lot of doubts     |
| Threats       | and concerns about the safety of using hydrogen.                     |
| Threats       | 8. Today 96 $\%$ of the hydrogen production relies on fossil fuels.  |
|               | 9. Lack of hydrogen refueling infrastructure.                        |
|               | 10. Hydrogen has low volumetric energy density, which may lead       |
|               | to large storage tanks.                                              |
| Weaknesses    | 11. The various hydrogen systems have relatively high costs.         |
|               | 12. Hydrogen has to be made from renewables in order to reduce       |
|               | emissions.                                                           |
|               |                                                                      |



Figure 4.2: Illustration of SWOT process.

## 4.2 Operational profiles

According to Norwegian Shipowner's Association [2021], 542 OSVs operate in the Norwegiancontrolled foreign-going fleet by July 1st 2021. Data from Clarkson's Offshore Intelligence Network 2022 presents 2023 PSVs, 1053 OCVs, and 2440 AHTS vessels in the global offshore market today (personal communication, 25.05.2022). Which will give an OSV fleet with a total of 5500 vessels.

A good overview of the operational profile of the offshore fleet is an advantage when analyzing the opportunities for hydrogen propulsion. Lindstad et al. [2017] state that the most common operational modes for PSVs in the North Sea are waiting in port, discharging in port, transit to

the oilfields, waiting at the oilfields, standby, and performing their intended work in DP mode. The duration of each mode will vary with operation and vessel type. AH and towing operations will also be introduced for the AHTS the vessels.

30 different vessels were used to investigate the operational profiles of OSVs. 10 OCVs, 10 PSVs, and 10 AHTS vessels. The operational patterns were mapped using a database from Solstad Offshore called MARESS. It includes both geospatial and temporal maritime data about the vessels owned by Solstad Offshore [2022]. Solstad offshore is among Norway's largest offshore shipping companies, a country with one of the world's biggest, most modern, and most advanced fleets [Norges Rederiforbund, 2015]. The vessels have been anonymized to satisfy the contracts and customers of Solstad Offshore. Table D.1 in Appendix D includes the obtained data from the 30 vessels for 2021. Figure 4.3 summarizes the average values for each vessel type. Time in port is not considered because it is assumed that the fuel consumption in port is negligible compared to the other modes of operation. This assumption is also supported by Strømgren et al. [2020] and Valland [2020], who state that onshore power supply (OPS) is used to prevent local emissions. The thesis will mainly focus on the parts where fuel is consumed since this is the segment that the hydrogen is to replace. Valland [2020] claims that PSVs usually spend more time in transit and standby, which is also pinpointed in Figure 4.3. The annual operational profile with time in port included can be seen in Figure D.1 in Appendix D. This shows that the vessels spend about a quarter of the time in port, 91 of 365 days.



Figure 4.3: Analysis of operational profile from MARESS.

Source: [Solstad Offshore, 2022]

#### 4.3 Power consumption of OSVs

The load profile of the vessel is vital when establishing the dimensions of the FCs and hydrogen storage systems. The operational profiles in Figure 4.3 from Section 4.2 highlighted some crucial differences between the various vessel types. It is essential to consider this when analyzing the operational pattern and power consumption. For instance, the operational profile identified that an OCV, on average, only spent about 26% in transit. Therefore, it is necessary to include the power consumption for both DP and standby to get a realistic load profile. Typically an OCV will be less in transit than a PSV, and an AHTS vessel will spend less time in DP. As stated in Section 4.2, negligible fuel consumption is assumed in port because the vessel will connect to the OPS. Samferdselsdepartementet [2019] affirms that the majority of the largest domestic ports have OPS today and states that Enova will provide financial support to build even more in the future.

$$sfc [kg/h] \cdot LHV [kWh/kg] \cdot \eta_{diesel} [\%] = P [kW]$$

$$(4.1)$$

The MARESS database from Solstad Offshore was used to find the power requirement in the various modes of operation. Solstad Offshore stores all data from their ships, and the vessel

statistics include, among other things, the average fuel usage in tonnes per hour for a specific mode of operation. Together with the diesel LHV (11.86 kWh/kg) and diesel engine efficiency (37%) described in Section 3.3.4, the power was calculated by using Equation 4.1. This is presented with rounded numbers in Table 4.2. The values will be the power needed at the different modes of operation, regardless of the type of fuel used. The specific fuel consumption (sfc) from 12 AHTS vessels, 17 PSVs, and 15 OCVs were used to identify the load profile. The full dataset can be seen in Table E.1, Table E.2, and Table E.3 in Appendix E. The vessels have been anonymized, but they are all part of the database that constitutes the system boundaries described in Chapter 2. The average fuel consumption in transit applies to speeds of 11 knots. A minority of the vessels used dual-fuel engines with both LNG and MDO. Then, for the sake of simplicity, it was assumed that both fuel types had the same LHV and efficiency. Furthermore, the vessel statistics from MARESS were mainly made up of more than two years of data, from 2020 to 2022, except for a few vessels that had data from 2017 to 2022. Figure 4.4 illustrates the differences in power for vessel type and operational mode. The trend is that OCV generally has higher power consumption in the various modes of operation.

|                     | Mode                      | Time [%]     | Power [kW]      |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
|                     | DP                        | 60           | 2300            |
| OCV                 | Standby                   | 14           | 1700            |
|                     | Transit (11 kn)           | 26           | 4000            |
|                     | DP                        | 25           | 1100            |
| $\mathbf{PSV}$      | Standby                   | 42           | 740             |
|                     | Transit (11 kn)           | 33           | 2000            |
|                     | DP                        | 15           | 2200            |
|                     | Standby                   | 43           | 1200            |
| AHTS                | Transit $(11 \text{ kn})$ | 27           | 3800            |
|                     | Towing                    | 5            | 4700            |
|                     | AH                        | 11           | 3500            |
| 4000 -              | PSV<br>AHTS               |              |                 |
| ∑ <sup>3000 -</sup> | OCV                       |              |                 |
| - 2000 -<br>MO      |                           |              |                 |
| <b>-</b> 1000 -     |                           |              |                 |
| 0                   | DP                        | Standby      | Transit (11 kn) |
|                     | Modes                     | or operation | ון-]            |

Table 4.2: Load profiles of OSVs for various modes of operation [Solstad Offshore, 2022].

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Figure 4.4: Load profile for different OSV types.

### 4.4 Resistance estimates

A variety of methods have been developed to estimate ships' resistance and powering requirements. The methods are mostly based on a few geometric properties in addition to speed. Some methods are also using data from model tests. Section 4.3 described the average power used by the various vessel types in transit with a speed of 11 knots. The empirical methods depicted in this chapter are used to estimate the variation in power consumption for different transit speeds. Three different methods are used to get an estimate of the power variation. It is important to clarify that

assumptions had to be made to adopt the empirical methods. Section 4.4.1, Section 4.4.2, and Section 4.4.3 describe the methods and Section 4.4.4 presents the variety in power consumption at different transit speeds.

#### 4.4.1 Hollenbach's method

A Matlab code was made using the theory from *Fundamentals of Ship Hydrodynamics*, chapter 51 [Birk, 2019]. This method was developed in the 1990s and is based on test data from Schiffbau Versuchsanstalt in Vienna, Austria. The range of applicability is narrower compared to Holtrop and Mennen's method. However, the results seem to be more reliable and with less standard deviation, especially for twin-screw vessels, which is often the case for OSVs.

| Required Parameters                        |                 |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Parameter                                  | Symbol          | Remarks                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Length between perpendiculars              | $L_{PP}$        |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Length in waterline                        | $L_{WL}$        | check def. for ballast cond.           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Length over wetted surface                 | $L_{OS}$        | check def. for ballast cond.           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Molded beam                                | B               |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Molded draft at aft perpendicular          | $T_A$           |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Molded draft at forward perpendicular      | $T_F$           |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Propeller diameter                         | D               |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Block coefficient (Based on $L_{PP}$ )     | $C_B$           |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transverse vertical area above waterline   | $A_V$           | for air resistance                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of rudders                          | $N_{rudders}$   | 1 or 2                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of shaft brackets                   | $N_{brackets}$  | 0, 1  or  2                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of shaft bossings                   | $N_{bossings}$  | 0, 1  or  2                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of side thrusters                   | $N_{thrusters}$ | between 0 and 4                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Optional Parameters                        |                 |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wetted surface (hull)                      | S               |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wetted surface of appendages               | $S_{APP_i}$     | bilge keels, stabilizer fins, bossings |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diameter(s) of transverse thruster tunnels | $d_{TH}$        | for appendage resistance fins etc.     |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.3: Required and optional input for Hollenbach's method.

#### 4.4.2 Guldhammer Harvald's method

The theory for this method was gathered from Fundamentals of Ship Hydrodynamics, chapter 31 [Birk, 2019]. This method was developed in the late 60s when most ships did not have a bulbous bow. To make it applicable for ships with a bulbous bow, they later implemented the computational length,  $L_c$ . The required and optional input for this method is presented in Table 4.4.

| Required Parameters                      |            |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Parameter                                | Symbol     | Remarks                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Length between perpendiculars            | $L_{PP}$   |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Length of aft overhang in waterline      | $L_{aft}$  | usually $L_{WL} = L_{PP} + Laft$       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extension of S beyond fore perpendicular | $L_{fore}$ |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computation length                       | Ĺ          | total extension of wetted surface      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                          |            | (usually equal to $L_{OS}$ .)          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum molded beam in waterline         | B          |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Molded draft                             | T          |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Block coefficient                        | $C_B$      | or volumetric displacement ${\cal V}$  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prismatic coefficient                    | $C_P$      | or midship section area $A_M$          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transverse cross section area of bulb    | $A_{BT}$   | at forward perpendicular               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Optional                                 | Paramet    | ers                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Propeller diameter                       | $D_P$      | for propulsion analysis                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Longitudinal center of buoyancy          | LCB        | or assume optimum position             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wetted surface (hull+rudder)             | S          |                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wetted surface of appendages             | $S_{APP}$  | bilge keels, stabilizer fins, bossings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Form factors for fore and aft body       | $F_F, F_A$ | $-3 \le F_A, \ F_F \le +3$             |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.4: Required and optional input for Guldhammer and Harvald's method.

#### 4.4.3 Holtrop and Mennen's method

The theory for this method was also gathered from *Fundamentals of Ship Hydrodynamics*, chapter 50 [Birk, 2019]. This method is based on a regression analysis of model tests and trial data from MARIN, the model basin in Wageningen. Holtrop and Mennen's method is one of the most popular methods for estimating the resistance and powering of ships. The required and optional parameters for this method can be seen in Table 4.5.

| Required Parameters |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Symbol              | Remarks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| $L_{WL}$            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| B                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| T                   | typically $T = \frac{1}{2}(T_A + T_F)$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| $T_A$               | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| $T_F$               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| V                   | alternatively use the block coefficient as $C_B = V/(BTL_{WL})$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_P$               | 2 / ( 2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_M$               | or use $C_M = C_B / C_P$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_{WP}$            | may have to be estimated in early design                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| $l_{CB}$            | positive forward; with respect to                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|                     | $L_{WL}/2$ in percent of $L_{WL}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_V$               | projected in direction of $v_s$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_T$               | measured at rest                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_{BT}$            | measured at forward perpendicular                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| $h_B$               | has to be smaller than $0.6T_F$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| D                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_E/A_0$           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_{stern}$         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Optional Parameters |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| S                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $S_{APP_i}$         | bilge keels, stabilizer fins, bossings, etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| $i_E$               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| $d_{TH}$            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
|                     | $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{ired Para} \\ \hline \textbf{Symbol} \\ L_{WL} \\ B \\ T \\ T_A \\ T_F \\ V \\ \hline C_P \\ C_M \\ C_{WP} \\ l_{CB} \\ \hline A_V \\ A_T \\ A_BT \\ h_B \\ D \\ A_E/A_0 \\ C_{stern} \\ \hline \textbf{mal Para} \\ \hline \textbf{S} \\ S_{APP_i} \\ i_E \\ d_{TH} \\ \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.5: Required and optional input for Holtrop and Mennen's method.

#### 4.4.4 Power consumption as a function of transit speed

As described above, simplified methods for ship powering were used to estimate how the power requirement changed with transit speed. Guldhammer-Harvald, Holtrop and Hollenbach are all empirical prediction methods [Dale, 2020]. Figure 4.5a shows the results from the three methods for an OCV. The average result from all methods is plotted as a dotted red line. The same plots for the other vessel types can be seen in Appendix H. The plots show that the empirical power is much lower than the power described in Section 4.3. This is probably because the empirical calculations assume calm sea and focus exclusively on the energy needed to push the hull through the water. Dr. Elizabeth Lindstad stated that the difference was mainly because of the lack of added resistance from waves. This could, in many cases, play an essential role (personal communication, Nov. 16. 2021). In addition, the vessel will also require power to operate cranes, bow- and aft thrusters, accommodation, etc.



(a) Empirical power for OCV in transit. (b) Power variation from reference power at 11 knots.

Figure 4.5: Estimated transit power from empirical methods.

Figure 4.5b shows how the estimated mean power alters with transit speed for each vessel type. The change is based on a reference speed of 11 knots, as this is the speed used in Section 4.3 to investigate the power consumption. An extended load profile is estimated assuming that the empirical methods give a suitable picture of the change in power for different transit speeds. For instance, Figure 4.5b shows that the power for a PSV with a transit speed of 13 knots will be around 100 % more than the power at 11 knots. The original load profile is extended to contain more transit speeds, as shown in Table 4.6, with the reference speed (v = 11 knots) seen in italic.

| $\frac{\mathbf{Speed}}{[\mathrm{kn}]}$ | Transit Power<br>OCV [kW] | Transit Power<br>PSV [kW] | Transit Power<br>AHTS [kW] |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 5                                      | 400                       | 190                       | 360                        |
| 7                                      | 1100                      | 490                       | 930                        |
| 9                                      | 2200                      | 1000                      | 2000                       |
| 11                                     | 4000                      | 2000                      | 3800                       |
| 13                                     | 6800                      | 3900                      | 7300                       |
| 15                                     | 11  000                   | 8000                      | 15000                      |

Table 4.6: Load profile at different transit speeds with v = 11 kn as reference.

## 4.5 Theoretical sailing distances for various fuel types

The load profiles from Table 4.2 and the load profile at different transit speeds from Table 4.6 are used to calculate the achievable sailing distances for the various fuel types. Equation 4.2 is used to calculate  $D_{max}$ .  $V_{Tank}$  is the size of the fuel tank for different vessel types. It is based on average values from numerous chosen vessels. The analysis can be seen in Appendix F, and the average values can be seen in Table 4.7. The energy densities for the different fuel types ( $E_{fuel}$  [MJ/m<sup>3</sup>]) are based on the background study in Section 3.5, Section 3.3.3, and Section 3.3.4 and can be seen in the second column of Table 4.8.  $\eta_{lhv}$  is the efficiency with respect to the LHV of the fuel used. Section 3.3.4 depicts the efficiency of hydrogen FC as 50 % and MDO with a conventional machine as 37 %.

 $\eta_{storage}$  shall take into account the loss of energy when storing hydrogen. From Section 3.5, *Hydrogen Storage*, it was clear that there are significant losses when storing hydrogen. The loss of keeping MDO is assumed to be zero compared to hydrogen. The losses can be seen in the third column of Table 4.8. v is the transit speed of the vessel. Furthermore,  $T_T$ ,  $T_{SB}$ , and  $T_{DP}$  are the percentages in which the vessel operated in a given mode of operation, gathered from the operational profiles. For AHTS vessels, two additional time variables are added for AH ( $T_{AH}$ ) and towing ( $T_{tow}$ ). At last,  $P_T$ ,  $P_{SB}$ , and  $P_{DP}$  are the power requirements in the various modes of operation, described in Table 4.2 and Table 4.6.  $P_{AH}$  and  $P_{tow}$  are added for AHTS vessels.

$$D_{max} = \frac{V_{Tank} \cdot E_{fuel} \cdot \eta_{lhv} \cdot (1 - \eta_{storage}) \cdot v \cdot T_T}{\left[P_t \cdot T_T + P_{SB} \cdot T_{SB} + P_{DP} \cdot T_{DP}\right] \cdot (60 \cdot 60)}$$
(4.2)

When Equation 4.2 is used with the parameters described above, different values for  $D_{max}$  based on transit speed, vessel type, fuel type, fuel storage technology and volume of fuel tank are gathered.

Table 4.7: Average tank sizes from analysis of 33 vessels.

|                | $V_{Tank} [m^3]$ |
|----------------|------------------|
| OCV            | 2100             |
| $\mathbf{PSV}$ | 1200             |
| AHTS           | 1300             |

Table 4.8: Energy densities and storage loss of various fuel types. All with temperature of 293 K.

| Fueltype<br>[-]   | Energy density $[MJ/m^3]$ | Energy loss storage $[\eta_{storage} \ \%]$ |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Hydrogen, 1 bar   | 9.3                       | 0                                           |
| Hydrogen, 10 bar  | 91.7                      | 5                                           |
| Hydrogen, 100 bar | 871                       | 5                                           |
| Hydrogen, 300 bar | 2340                      | 10                                          |
| Hydrogen, 400 bar | 2970                      | 11                                          |
| Hydrogen, 700 bar | 4540                      | 15                                          |
| Hydrogen, liquid  | 8000                      | 30                                          |
| MDO               | $36\ 100$                 | 0                                           |

## 4.6 Python implementations

Python was used to handle the AIS data from the vessel fleet described in Chapter 2. The main task of the python code is to analyze the AIS data, give an overview of the operation pattern of each OSV type, and evaluate if an OSV can run on hydrogen. The different functions are developed in python using well-established libraries like Pandas, matplotlib.pyplot, NumPy, Folium and Scikit-Learn. In addition to some slightly lesser known ones as SQLite3, Functools, BeautifulSoup, GeoPy, and Global-Land-Mask.

#### 4.6.1 Speed profile and data cleaning

The AIS database contains a column with the speed of the vessel in each position. This is called speed over ground (SOG). However, by looking closer at the given data, it was possible to identify several unexpected and unnatural numbers. In some positions, the AIS data stated that the vessel had speeds of 100 knots. Because of this, a code to calculate the speed profile was created. This uses the *geopy.distance* package in python to find the distance between each data point (latitude and longitude). Furthermore, it uses the *to\_datetime* characteristics of the *panda dataframes* to find the corresponding time between each data point. At last it calculates the speed as distance divided by time. The code can be seen in Appendix I.2. Figure 4.6 shows two speed profiles of the same AHTS vessel with data from 01.01.2020 to 18.12.2020. Calculating the vessel's speed using position and time removes the unnatural numbers in the SOG column from the AIS data. Figure 4.6a illustrates how this 100 kn recording damages the speed profile and how it is fixed in Figure 4.6b.



Figure 4.6: Speed profile differences by using two different methods for speed collection in AIS data for AHTS vessel, before data cleanup.

The unnatural values from Figure 4.6a demonstrate the importance of data cleanup when using AIS data. This is done by introducing different constraints in the code. The *cleanSpeedDataframe(listDF)* function (Appendix I.3) combined with the *removeLargeTimeIntervals(routeDF)* (Appendix I.4) function is used to clean the data. It will drop data points with speeds larger than 25 knots and lower than zero knots. The *removeLargeTimeIntervals* function will go through the data and drop already identified routes if they contain points that have intervals of more than 12 hours between each measurement. The 12 hours limit is selected with respect to a common AIS measurement frequency. Further inspection of the AIS data revealed that intervals of 6 and 12 hours were often used. If the limit had been set just under 12 hours, a lot of data would have been neglected. Listing 4.1 shows how the cleaning of large time intervals works.

Listing 4.1: Drop data points with intervals of more than 12 hours.

```
def removeLargeTimeIntervals(routeDF):
    removeDataframe = False
    s = routeDF['dt'].diff().apply(lambda x: x/np.timedelta64(1, 's')).
    fillna(0).astype('int64')
    if (s > 43200).any(): # 12 hours = 43200 s
        removeDataframe = True
    return removeDataframe
```

More data cleanup is performed in the *readDatabase(dbName)* function (Appendix I.1). Data points with latitude values lower than -90 and higher than 90 degrees are removed, in addition to longitude values lower than -180 and higher than 180. Duplicates and empty data points are also removed. Table 4.9 summarizes the main effects of the data cleaning.

|       | $egin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$ |            | glected | Neglected rows<br>(duplicates, zero-<br>values, lat, lon) |      | Num. datapoints<br>identified<br>as routes |     |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------|------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| Units | [pcs]                                              | [pcs]      | [%]     | [pcs]                                                     | [%]  | [pcs]                                      | [%] |
| OCV   | 3 088 072                                          | 7782       | 0.25    | 11                                                        | 0.00 | 2 317 219                                  | 75  |
| PSV   | $5\ 846\ 524$                                      | 18  658    | 0.32    | 192                                                       | 0.00 | $2\ 724\ 396$                              | 47  |
| AHTS  | $5 \ 911 \ 315$                                    | $17 \ 514$ | 0.30    | 1061                                                      | 0.02 | $3 \ 830 \ 121$                            | 65  |
| Total | $\overline{14\ 845\ 911}$                          | 43 954     | 0.30    | 1264                                                      | 0.01 | 8 871 736                                  | 60  |

| Table 4.9: | Impact | of | AIS | data | cleaning |
|------------|--------|----|-----|------|----------|
|            |        |    |     |      |          |

#### 4.6.2 Classification of data points

The functions classifyPoints(df) (Appendix I.5) and isOnLand(lat, lon, r, n) (Appendix I.6) will take the data frame from readDatabase(dbName, vesselIn) (Appendix I.1) as input, loop through it and identify nearshore and offshore points. Nearshore is defined using a circle with a radius of 0.25 degrees, as seen in Figure 4.7. In this case, n = 8 points will be created in a circle around the data point, and one by one, they are evaluated by the globe.is\_land(lat, lon) function. If one of the points on the circle is on land, the original point will be defined as a nearshore point. Listing 4.2 shows a simple-pseudo code on how the isOnLand(lat, lon, r, n) function works. The output is an updated data frame with an extra column where the classification is added, nearshore or offshore. This column is later used to pick out routes in the given dataset. Figure 4.8 shows how each AIS point is classified as either a nearshore (green) or offshore (blue) point.

Listing 4.2: Verify if point is a nearshore or offshore point.

```
def isOnLand(lat, lon, r=0.25, n=8):
    isNearShore = False
    dTheta = np.pi * 2 / n
    startTheta = 0
    for i in range(n):
        if globe.is_land(lat+np.sin(startTheta)*r, lon+np.cos(startTheta)*r):
            isNearShore = True
            break
        startTheta += dTheta
```

```
return isNearShore
```



Figure 4.7: Identify nearshore points with n = 8.



Figure 4.8: Pinpointing nearshore (green) and offshore (blue) points from AIS dataset.

#### 4.6.3 Establish routes

The next step is to use the classification described in Section 4.6.2 to point out the routes traveled by each vessel. The function findRoutes(df) will take in a data frame and loop through all points. When the data frame is sorted by date, the function will reveal all intervals starting and stopping on a nearshore point. Table 4.10 is an example of a route that starts on 03.01.2020 and ends on 31.01.2020. One can see from the *class* column that the route both starts and stops at a nearshore point. The output from the function will be a list of data frames where each data frame represents a route. The total distance and speed are also calculated for every route. Figure 4.9 illustrates how the route in Table 4.10 is identified by the code. The colored lines represent the transit speed of the vessel with intervals defined in Table 4.11.

| $\mathbf{dt}$        | lat      | lon      | Class     | Route |
|----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-------|
| 03/01/2020 20:37     | -22.6498 | -41.6938 | Nearshore | 1     |
| 03/01/2020 20:44     | -22.6692 | -41.6920 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 03/01/2020 20:46     | -22.6739 | -41.6915 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 03/01/2020 21:28     | -22.7891 | -41.6808 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 03/01/2020 21:56     | -22.8583 | -41.7141 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 03/01/2020 22:55     | -23.0034 | -41.7959 | Offshore  | 1     |
| :                    |          |          | •         | •     |
| 30/01/2020 23:53     | -22.2713 | -40.5032 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 30/01/2020 23:57     | -22.2723 | -40.5148 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 31/01/2020 00:28     | -22.2803 | -40.6068 | Offshore  | 1     |
| $31/01/2020 \ 01:56$ | -22.3046 | -40.8655 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 31/01/2020 03:09     | -22.3349 | -41.0755 | Offshore  | 1     |
| 31/01/2020 05:24     | -22.3963 | -41.4602 | Nearshore | 1     |

Table 4.10: Example of route construction in python code.



Figure 4.9: Example route for AHTS vessel outside Brazil.

Table 4.11: Defined color intervals for route plotting [kn].

| $\mathbf{From}\;[\mathrm{kn}]$ | $\mathbf{To} \ [kn]$ |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 0                              | 5                    |
| 5                              | 9                    |
| 9                              | 12                   |
| 12                             | 15                   |
| 15                             | $\infty$             |

#### 4.6.4 Theoretical sailing distances

Equation 4.2 was used to create the *sailingDistance()* function in python (Appendix I.8). It calculates  $D_{max}$  for different fuel and vessel types at different transit speeds. All assumptions made in the function are the same as in Section 4.5. The different characteristics used as input are stored as csv-files imported by the function itself. The content of the csv-files can be seen in Appendix J.

## 4.7 Mapping zero-emission potential

Two different methods were formulated to map the zero-emission potential. Each method compares the demand from AIS data with  $D_{max}$  from Section 4.5. The only difference is how the demand is mapped. Figure 4.10 illustrates the main differences between the two approaches. The green points represent the start of a route and the red points represent the ending. Method 1 will only focus on the longest route identified for each vessel. The longest route will be the threshold for what the vessel has to be able to cover with the given fuel type. For instance, the vessel will not be able to run on LH<sub>2</sub> if  $D_{max}$  is shorter than the longest route, which means that the potential will be zero. However, method 2 will focus on all routes identified in the AIS data for each vessel.  $D_{max}$  will be compared with each route, and it will be stored whether the vessel can cover the distance or not. Instead of checking only one route as in the first method, method 2 will give a percentage of how many of the yearly routes the vessel is able to cover.



(a) Method 1: analyzing only the longest route.

(b) Method 2: analyzing all routes.

Figure 4.10: Method 1 and 2 used to map zero-emission potential.

## Chapter 5

## Case

This chapter will focus on one year of AIS data for a chosen vessel. It will go through the process step by step, use one vessel as an example and illustrate how the analysis has been carried out.

## 5.1 Properties of selected vessel

The vessel selected for this case is a relatively large OCV with a length of 124 meters, a width of 28 meters, and a dwt of 9511. The vessel's AIS data consists of 99 978 lines with data points from 01.01.2020 to 29.12.2020. The speed profile of the vessel can be seen in Figure 5.1. It is essential to point out that the y-axis has been limited to a count of 5000 for better visualization of transit speeds. Originally, there were almost 70 000 measurements for speeds between 0 and 0.5 knots. The average speed for all measurements is 1.69 knots, which indicates that the vessel spends much of its time at rest. The transit speed seems to have two peaks, one from 6.5 to 7.0 knots and one from 9.0 and 9.5 knots.



Figure 5.1: Speed profile of case vessel (OCV).

### 5.2 Identify routes

A total of 21 routes were identified from the AIS data. 91 733 lines of data points were used to build the routes. In other words, 91 733 out of 99 978 lines of data were linked to a route. The main characteristics of the identified routes can be seen in Table 5.1. The routes have been sorted by length. Some of the routes have been neglected due to constraints, which is the reason for the inconsistent numbering. All in all, three routes had to be neglected because there were too large time steps between some points. As described in Section 4.6.1, the time step could not exceed 12 hours. If so, the route was dropped from further analysis. One of the dropped routes can be seen in Figure 5.2. The AIS system was turned off for more than 12 hours, and thus the time interval became so large that the route was neglected. The main reason for this constraint is the uncertainty associated with such large time intervals. If not ignored, it may lead to false data.

| Route num. | Length [nm] | Avg. Speed $[kn]$ | <b>Duration</b> $[dd,hh]$ |
|------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 25         | 3780        | 10.4              | 14 days, 16 hours         |
| 2          | 1340        | 10.6              | 5 days, 6 hours           |
| 5          | 1330        | 8.1               | 6 days, 18 hours          |
| 16         | 687         | 6.5               | 4  days, 12  hours        |
| 23         | 668         | 1.7               | 14  days, 22  hours       |
| 22         | 666         | 1.6               | 17  days, 13  hours       |
| 20         | 655         | 1.4               | 21  days, 19  hours       |
| 4          | 454         | 0.5               | 39 days, 9 hours          |
| 1          | 333         | 1.9               | 8 days, 10 hours          |
| 3          | 299         | 0.3               | 43  days, 20  hours       |
| 14         | 212         | 3.5               | 2 days, 9 hours           |
| 24         | 178         | 4.4               | 1  days, 22  hours        |
| 8          | 153         | 6.5               | 0 days, $23$ hours        |
| 7          | 151         | 5.7               | 1  days, 2  hours         |
| 10         | 150         | 5.4               | 1 days, 3 hours           |
| 12         | 100         | 6.3               | 0 days, $15$ hours        |
| 11         | 47          | 6.0               | 0 days, 7 hours           |
| 15         | 25          | 1.3               | 15  days, 2  hours        |
| 9          | 15          | 2.6               | 0 days, $12$ hours        |
| 13         | 14          | 4.1               | 1 days, 3 hours           |
| 6          | 12          | 0.9               | 1 days, 6 hours           |

Table 5.1: Routes identified for case OCV from one year of AIS data.



Figure 5.2: Dropped route because of too large time steps.

Figure 5.3 and Figure 5.4a illustrates the problem related to the poor quality of the AIS data. One of the points abruptly ends up outside Greenland. For the ship to be able to reach there at the specified time, it is necessary to sail at more than 140 000 knots. This is, naturally enough, not realistic for a ship. Section 4.6.1 describes how the AIS data is cleaned for unnatural speeds. This will remove the point causing these problems, and as long as the new time step to the next point satisfies the constraints (< 12 hours), the route will be saved. Figure 5.4b shows how the final route appears after being cleaned.



Figure 5.3: Overview of bad data point.



Figure 5.4: Close up of how code is fixing bad data.

Figure 5.5 exhibits the two longest routes identified in one year of AIS data for the case vessel. The longest route is 3780 nautical miles (route 25 in Table 5.1), and crosses the Atlantic Ocean from Bridgetown of Barbados to Boulogne of France. The mean speed across the Atlantic Ocean is 10.4 knots, and the route duration is 14 days and 16 hours. Veson Nautical [2022] and Sea-web were used to evaluate the quality of the analysis. This maritime portal calculates the sea distance between international ports based on transit speed. The result from Sea-web can be seen in Table 5.2. Compared to the AIS analysis, Sea-web predicts 3723 nm instead of 3780 nm. Furthermore, a duration of 16 days and 10 hours is assumed. This is a few days longer than the AIS analysis. However, Sea-web assumes a weather factor of 10% as default, which may be the reason for the long duration. If the 10% weather factor is added to the duration from the AIS analysis, the new sailing period will be 16 days and 3 hours. This is not far from the Sea-web prediction, which indicates a good correlation between the AIS analysis and Sea-web. Additionally, it may be that the weather was calm when the AIS data was logged.



Figure 5.5: The two longest routes identified in one year of data.

Table 5.2: Sea distance from Bridgetown (Barbados) to Boulogne (France) Veson Nautical [2022].

| From port      |      | Bridgetown          |
|----------------|------|---------------------|
| To port        |      | Boulogne-Sur-Mer    |
| Weather factor | [%]  | 10                  |
| Mean speed     | [kn] | 10.4                |
| Distance       | [nm] | 3723                |
| Duration       |      | 16  days, 10  hours |

Route number three is another trail that stands out from Table 5.1, with a duration of 43 days and 20 hours. A close-up of the route where the vessel spent most of the time can be seen in Figure 5.6. The operation pattern shows that the vessel was relatively stationary during this period. As summarized in Table 4.11, a pink line indicates that the vessel had speeds from 0 to 5 knots. This may explain the low average speed identified in the yearly speed profile above. If the duration of all routes from the AIS analysis is summed together, the total duration will be 203 days and 9 hours. This implies that the vessel spent roughly 60% of the time at sea in 2020.



Figure 5.6: Route 3 with duration of 43 days and 20 hours.

### 5.3 Compare demand against theoretical sailing distance

The routes identified in the previous section are presumed to represent the demand from the offshore market. It will indicate the expectations set for an offshore vessel. Perhaps one vessel does not represent it thoroughly, but the coverage will hopefully be adequate when more vessels are analyzed in the results. Figure 5.7a shows how the length of the transatlantic crossing (route 25) is compared with  $D_{max}$  for different fuel types.  $D_{max}$  is calculated as described in Section 4.5, with a given tank size and a transit speed of 11 knots. The bar plot reveals that MDO is the only fuel with sufficient range.



Figure 5.7: AIS demand compared with  $D_{max}$  for various fuel types and transit speeds.

Figure 5.8 illustrates  $D_{max}$  for LH<sub>2</sub> as a function of transit speed and vessel type. By looking further into the effect of transit speed, it seems like a speed of 9 knots would maximize the range. The red line still indicates that LH<sub>2</sub> does not have sufficient range to cover route 25. However, for further inspection, it could be interesting to see which fuel types are sufficient if the transatlantic crossing is removed and the second-largest route is compared with  $D_{max}$ . This implies that the vessel can not operate internationally, but perhaps this could be a distinct step toward streamlining the use of the offshore fleet. The pink line in Figure 5.7b will now represent the second-largest route, compared with  $D_{max}$  for a transit speed of 9 knots. This is the second-largest route from Table 5.1 (route 2), with a length of 1340 nm. Now one can see that LH<sub>2</sub> also has sufficient range. In addition, one can see that hydrogen stored at 700 bar is almost enough for OCVs.



Figure 5.8:  $D_{max}$  for LH<sub>2</sub> as a function of transit speed.

#### 5.3.1 Method 1

Chapter 4 described two different methods for mapping the zero-emission potential. The first method used only the longest route, which in this case will be the transatlantic crossing from Barbados to France, seen as route number 25 in Table 5.1. Figure 5.7a showed that MDO was the only fuel able to cover this distance, and the potential for hydrogen propulsion will, in this case, be zero according to method 1.

#### 5.3.2 Method 2

The second method used all routes to map the potential. Figure 5.7a already illustrated that the longest route was not realistic to be run on hydrogen. However, Figure 5.7b showed that the second-longest route was sufficient with  $LH_2$ , thus also the other shorter routes. In other words, 20 out of 21 routes will be sufficient to be run on  $LH_2$ . For comparison, as method 1 mapped the potential to be zero, method 2 will map the potential to be 95% for this particular vessel.

#### 5.3.3 Effect of changing fuel capacity

Figure 5.9 demonstrates how  $D_{max}$  changes with tank size for an OCV. When the size of the tank is increased with 50 % CH<sub>2</sub> at 700 bar will also be sufficient when the transatlantic route is neglected. However, with LH<sub>2</sub>, the vessel is able to cross the Atlantic if the fuel capacity is increased by 200 % from the average tank size of 2100 m<sup>3</sup>. A more comprehensive analysis of the effect of changing the tank size is presented in Chapter 6, *Results*.



Figure 5.9:  $D_{max}$  tank size dependency for OCV at 11 knots.

## Chapter 6

# Results

This chapter contains the results from the calculations made to evaluate the use of hydrogen in today's OSVs. The values gathered from the methods in Chapter 4 are put up against the demand gathered from the AIS data to evaluate the applicability of hydrogen as fuel in OSVs.

## 6.1 Average sailing speed

The code described in Section 4.6.1 is used to calculate the speed profile of each vessel investigated. Adding all speed profiles together will give a good overview of which transit speeds are most common. The speed profile for all AHTS vessels can be seen in Figure 6.1. The other vessel types can be seen in Appendix K. The speed profiles have been cleaned as described in *Methods* and built up by all the routes identified in the given database. A route is defined from one nearshore point to another nearshore points. Therefore, the speed profiles will apply to vessels in offshore operation, not laying in port.

A total of 3 805 575 lines of data points were used to build the speed profile in Figure 6.1. It shows that the vessels sail at relatively low speeds even when offshore. The first bar with speeds from 0 knots is, without a doubt, the highest. Table 6.1 displays the average speeds on all routes identified for each vessel type. This shows that the vessels, on average, have a very low speed when offshore. Once again, it is worth mentioning that these speed profiles are built up by the routes identified by the python code. In other words, the time the vessel leaves the quay until it returns. A total of 3122, 3968, and 1049 routes were found for AHTS, PSV and OCV, respectively.



Figure 6.1: Total speed profile of all AHTS vessels in the database.

|      | Avg. Speed $[kn]$ |
|------|-------------------|
| OCV  | 2.38              |
| PSV  | 3.00              |
| AHTS | 2 93              |

| Table $6.1$ : | Average | speed | of | OSVs | in | database. |
|---------------|---------|-------|----|------|----|-----------|
|---------------|---------|-------|----|------|----|-----------|

The speed profiles are further cleaned with an interval from 4 to 20 knots to get a better insight into the transit speed of the various vessel types. The interval length is chosen to eliminate the lowest speeds where the vessel is most likely in standby or DP. The three new speed profiles can be seen in Figure 6.2. It seems like the most frequent transit speeds are 10.5 knots for OCVs, 9.0 knots for PSVs, and 9.5 knots for AHTS vessels.



Figure 6.2: Transit speed profiles for the OSVs.

## 6.2 Theoretical sailing distances

The maximum theoretical sailing distances  $(D_{max})$  are determined using the method described in Section 4.5 and python functions described in Section 4.6.4. The sailing distances are compared for different fuel and storage methods and set up against the demand identified in the AIS data. Figure 6.3 is an example of the output. In this case, the transit speed was set to 11 knots. It shows how  $D_{max}$  changes with both fuel and vessel type. Additional plots for other transit speeds can be seen in Appendix L.



Figure 6.3:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 11 kn.

Figure 6.3 shows that PSVs generally have larger  $D_{max}$  than the two other vessel types, although the average tank size of PSVs was assumed to be almost half of OCVs (Seen in Table 4.7). This is mainly because the power consumption is much lower for PSVs compared to OCVs and AHTS vessels, both in transit and the other modes of operation (Seen in Table 4.2 and Table 4.6). In addition, it is possible to see from Figure 6.3 that  $D_{max}$  is much larger for MDO than all hydrogen solutions. This is mainly because of the low volumetric energy density of hydrogen and the losses associated with storage. It is worth discussing that this method assumes that the average tank size for each vessel type is the volume available for fuel and that this is the same for all types of fuel. However, this is further analyzed in Section 6.5, *Effect of changing fuel capacity*.

Figure 6.4 illustrates how  $D_{max}$  varies with transit speed and vessel type. Figure 6.4a presents  $D_{max}$  when the tank is filled with LH<sub>2</sub> and Figure 6.4b with MDO.  $D_{max}$  for the other fuel types can be seen in Appendix M. The trend is that  $D_{max}$  increases from five to nine knots, even though the vessel needs more power to run at nine knots compared to five. The reason for this is probably that the consumed energy in *Standby* and *DP* is expressed as a percentage of the total route duration. When the vessel's transit speed is too low, the total route duration will be longer, and the time in *Standby* and *DP* becomes longer. Hence the power consumption in *Standby* and *DP* plays a larger role. Whether this is a reasonable assumption is further discussed in Chapter 7, *Discussion*.



Figure 6.4:  $D_{max}$  as function of transit speed.

## 6.3 Sailing distances from AIS

All vessels in the AIS database have been investigated using the python functions described in Section 4.6, *Python Implementations*. Some vessels had to be dropped because of the lack of data points. In addition, some vessels had to be neglected due to poor data quality. 66 OCVs, 122 PSVs, and 95 AHTS vessels have been analyzed. As described in Section 6.1, 1121 routes were found for OCVs, with an average of 17 routes identified for each vessel. 4226 routes were identified for PSVs, with an average of 35 routes per vessel. At last, 3125 routes were identified in the AHTS database, with an average of 33 routes per vessel.

Table 6.2 presents some average values from the AIS analysis. It shows, among other things, that OCV, on average, travels longer distances than the other two vessel types. The average route length for a PSV is 272 nm compared to an OCV with 590 nm. The largest route for each vessel was also stored. The average maximum route lengths were identified as 1558, 816, and 1155 nm for OCV, PSV, and AHTS vessels, respectively.

Figure 6.5 compares the mapped demand from AIS data with  $D_{max}$  for a transit speed of 11 knots. The red, green and blue lines illustrate the average longest route identified for each vessel type. It shows that to cover the longest routes from the AIS data, the OCV could run on either LH<sub>2</sub> or MDO. For PSVs, hydrogen at 700, 400, and 300 bar will also be sufficient. It is important to point out that the y-axis in Figure 6.5 has been limited to 4000 nm to illustrate the main focus more clearly. The sailing distance for MDO is longer than demonstrated in the figure.

|                                |              | OCV        | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS       |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| Age vessels                    | [year]       | 2010       | 2012           | 2010       |
| gt                             | $[m^3]$      | 9536       | 3719           | 5149       |
| dwt                            | [tons]       | 6567       | 4221           | 3498       |
| Length                         | [m]          | 113        | 84             | 82         |
| Width                          | [m]          | 23         | 18             | 20         |
| Num. vessels analyzed          | [pcs]        | 66         | 122            | 95         |
| Avg. database size             | [Num. lines] | 46  789    | $47 \ 922$     | $62 \ 224$ |
| Avg. num. of routes identified | [pcs/vessel] | 17         | 35             | 33         |
| Avg. route length              | [nm]         | 590        | 272            | 346        |
| Avg. largest route             | [nm]         | 1558       | 816            | 1155       |
| Avg. duration largest route    | [dd, hh]     | 15 d, 12 h | 8 d, 8 h       | 11 d, 5 h  |

|  | Fable <sup>(</sup> | 6.2: | Average | values | from | vessel | database | and | AIS | analysis |
|--|--------------------|------|---------|--------|------|--------|----------|-----|-----|----------|
|--|--------------------|------|---------|--------|------|--------|----------|-----|-----|----------|



Figure 6.5: Demand from AIS data compared to  $D_{max}$  at 11 knots.

## 6.4 Zero-emission potential

As described in Section 4.7, Method 1 will highlight only the longest route identified for each vessel throughout the year. If  $D_{max}$  is larger than the longest route, it will also be sufficient for the other shorter routes identified for the vessel. While Method 1 focused only on the longest route identified for each vessel, Method 2 will, as described in Section 4.7, investigate each individual route found for every vessel.

#### 6.4.1 Method 1

The longest route identified for each vessel will for this method serve as a threshold for what the ship must be able to sail to meet the needs of the offshore market. Comparing it with  $D_{max}$  gives an overview of which fuel types are adequate. Figure 6.6 shows the percentage of vessels analyzed that fulfilled the demand from AIS data with a transit speed of 11 knots and the corresponding fuel. In other words, it illustrates the percentage of vessels that manage to cover their longest route with a given fuel type. Naturally enough, all vessels manage to cover the distance with MDO. 71.2% of the OCVs examined can run on LH<sub>2</sub>, 74.7% of the AHTS vessels, and as much as 95.1% of the PSVs. The trend from the plot is that the PSVs generally have a much higher
acceptance of alternative fuels than the other ship types. The results for the other transit speeds are presented as tables in Appendix N.



Figure 6.6: AIS data coverage with transit speed of 11 knots.

Suppose the fuel types are divided into two groups, zero-emission and fossil fuels, and the different vessel types are disregarded. In that case, 84% of the 283 vessels investigated could sail their longest route by running on hydrogen, as illustrated in Figure 6.7. This is a strong indicator that it is possible to move towards a zero-emission shipping industry.



Figure 6.7: Route coverage for entire OSV fleet by using Method 1.

#### 6.4.2 Method 2

Figure 6.8 shows how the route coverage depends on different hydrogen storage solutions. Each bar represents one AHTS vessel from the database, and the height of the bar is the percentage of identified routes that can be covered with the given fuel type. The transit speed in Figure 6.8 was set to 11 knots, and the three highlighted hydrogen storage solutions are hydrogen at 100 bar, 300 bar, and LH<sub>2</sub>.

By illuminating the bars that reach the 100 percent line, it can be seen that roughly 20 vessels are not able to cover all their routes for a year running on  $LH_2$ . Furthermore, if the vessel is running on  $CH_2$  at 300 bar, roughly 50 vessels are not able to cover all routes. At last, with hydrogen at 100 bar, only four vessels reach the 100 percent line. Table 6.3 presents the average route coverage percentage for all vessel and fuel types with a transit speed of 11 knots.

Figure 6.6 from Method 1 presented that as low as 40% of the AHTS vessels were able to cover the longest route with a transit speed of 11 knots and hydrogen stored at 300 bars. Yet, Figure 6.8 reveals that many of the vessels managed to cover a majority of the routes by running on hydrogen stored at 300 bar. In fact, Table 6.3 shows that the average coverage for AHTS vessels running on hydrogen at 300 bar is  $86.5\,\%.$  The plots for OCVs and PSVs with additional fuel types can be seen in Appendix O.



Figure 6.8: Route coverage percentage for AHTS vessels with three different fuel types and transit speed of 11 knots.

Table 6.3: Route coverage percentage for all fuel and vessel types with transit speed of 11 knots. Values represented in Figure 6.8 are highlighted in blue.

|               | $\mathbf{OCV}$ [%] | $\mathbf{PSV}$ [%] | <b>AHTS</b> $[\%]$ |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Hydr. 1 bar   | 0.9                | 1.4                | 3.3                |
| Hydr. 10 bar  | 6.2                | 11.8               | 16.6               |
| Hydr. 100 bar | 40.7               | 84.6               | 56.0               |
| Hydr. 300 bar | 79.9               | 97.4               | 86.5               |
| Hydr. 400 bar | 84.3               | 98.1               | 89.0               |
| Hydr. 700 bar | 88.6               | 99.4               | 92.5               |
| Hydr. liquid  | 92.6               | 99.7               | 94.5               |
| MDO           | 100.0              | 100.0              | 100.0              |
|               |                    |                    |                    |

All calculations made in this section are so far based on the vessel having the opportunity to bunker between each route. Situations may arise where the vessel is not given the opportunity to bunker. Where it must sail straight into port, demobilize and mobilize, and then on to the next route, as illustrated in Figure 6.9. Assuming that each vessel must cover two routes before it can refuel, the new data coverage plot will look like Figure 6.10. The overall coverage has decreased compared to when the AHTS vessel could bunker between each route (Figure 6.8), especially for hydrogen at 100 and 300 bar.



Figure 6.9: Vessel restricted to cover two routes before bunkering.



Figure 6.10: Route coverage percentage for AHTS vessels with restriction to complete two routes before bunkering.

#### 6.5 Effect of changing fuel capacity

For the AIS analysis in the previous sections, the size of the fuel tank has been assumed to be equal to the average of some chosen vessels (see tank size analysis in Appendix F) and set constant through the calculations. Method 1 in Section 6.4.1 stated that roughly 85 % of the vessels investigated could satisfy the demand with hydrogen as fuel. By experimenting with different tank sizes, it is possible to observe the effect of changing the fuel capacity. Figure 5.9 from Chapter 5, showed that by increasing the tank capacity of an OCV by 50%,  $D_{max}$  would increase by 50% as well. In other words,  $D_{max}$  is proportional to the tank size.



Figure 6.11: Route coverage percentage and tank size dependency for OCV and PSV with hydrogen at 100 bar and transit speed of 11 knots.

Figure 6.11a shows how the tank size affects the route coverage for an OCV running on hydrogen at 100 bar and a transit speed of 11 knots. With the average tank size, it can be seen that a majority of the vessels cover less than 60 % of their routes. However, if the tank capacity increases by 100 %, most vessels will swiftly be above 60 % coverage. On the other hand, Figure 6.11b illustrates that the route coverage is much greater for PSVs when running on hydrogen at 100 bar. By increasing the tank size of PSVs, most vessels will even reach the 100 % coverage limit. How much a change in tank size will affect the mode of operation, vessel design, and competitiveness will be further discussed in Chapter 7, *Discussion*.

#### 6.6 Seasonal variations in AIS data

As described in Chapter 2, *System boundaries*, one year of AIS data was used with the intention of covering the seasonal variations within the offshore market. Figure 6.12 illustrates the distribution of the starting month for all routes identified for all vessels in the database. Section 6.3 presented that 1121, 4226, and 3125 routes were found from the OCV, PSV, and AHTS database respectively. Hence the bar chart in Figure 6.12 consists of 8472 routes and their start month. It is apparent that most of the routes start in the summer months and early fall. With the two least busy months being November and December.



Figure 6.12: Starting month of all routes identified in vessel database.

#### 6.7 Cost analysis

The average annual energy demand in Table 6.4 is estimated by combining the load profile from Section 4.3 with the annual operational profiles (time in port included) presented in Figure D.1 in Appendix D. The average yearly energy demand is further used to calculate the annual cost for the different fuel solutions. The cost differences between the various hydrogen storage methods are neglected. Hence this section will only focus on the overall cost distinction between hydrogen FC solutions and conventional machinery running on MDO using the values presented in Section 3.10, OSV expenditures.

Table 6.4: Annual energy consumption OSVs.

|                | DP<br>[MWh] | Standby<br>[MWh] | Transit<br>[MWh] | Port<br>[MWh] | Towing<br>[MWh] | $\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{AH} \\ \mathrm{[MWh]} \end{array}$ | <b>Total</b><br>[MWh] |
|----------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| OCV            | 9170        | 1580             | 6760             | 0             | N/A             | N/A                                                          | 17 500                |
| $\mathbf{PSV}$ | 1760        | 2040             | 4330             | 0             | N/A             | N/A                                                          | 8130                  |
| AHTS           | 2020        | 3220             | 6490             | 0             | 1400            | 2360                                                         | 15  500               |

#### 6.7.1 CAPEX

It is assumed that CAPEX for hull, task-related equipment, and accomodation areas are identical for both hydrogen and MDO-driven vessels. To reduce the complexity of the calculations, the only difference in CAPEX is expected to be the price difference between hydrogen and diesel solutions. Section 3.10.1 in the *Background study* stated that a cost of 8200 NOK/kW installed diesel machinery was realistic for an OSV. Moreover, the cost of FC systems is mentioned in Section 3.10.1, where it is assumed that the cost per kW will be the same for OSVs as for high-speed ferries. Table 6.5 shows the differences in CAPEX for the two types of energy systems when

the installed power presented in Table 3.13 is used for each vessel type.

|                                    |        | OCV     | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS    |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Installed power                    | [kW]   | 10000   | 8000           | 17500   |
| Cost conventional diesel machinery | [MNOK] | 82.3    | 65.8           | 143.9   |
| Cost FC systems                    | [MNOK] | 261.0   | 208.8          | 456.8   |
| Cost difference hydrogen & diesel  | [MNOK] | - 178.8 | - 143.0        | - 312.8 |

Table 6.5: Difference in CAPEX for conventional diesel machinery and hydrogen FC solution.

#### 6.7.2 OPEX

As stated in Section 3.10.2, OPEX consists of fuel, maintenance, and fees. For this part, the fees are assumed to be so small in relation to the other costs that it is negligible. Yearly fuel consumption can be found by dividing the annual energy demand from Table 6.4 by the LHV for hydrogen (33.3 kWh/kg) and MDO (11.86 kWh/kg) multiplied by the efficiency. Furthermore, the annual fuel cost is calculated by using the fuel prices described in Section 3.10.2. 34 NOK/kg for hydrogen and 11.8 NOK/kg for MDO. Moreover, Section 3.1.2 mentions a CO<sub>2</sub> tax of 2.43 NOK/kg MDO and a tax of 23.79 NOK/kg NOx emissions. Table 3.2 in Section 3.1.3 assumes emissions of 14.8 g NOx per kWh. Maintenance costs are estimated using the dimensionless numbers (NOK/kW) presented in Table 3.17 in the *Background study*.

Table 6.6: Annual OPEX for OSVs with hydrogen and diesel solutions.

|                                                           |        | OC       | V      | $\mathbf{PSV}$ |        | AHTS     |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|----------------|--------|----------|--------|
|                                                           |        | Hydrogen | Diesel | Hydrogen       | Diesel | Hydrogen | Diesel |
| Annual fuel<br>consumption                                | [tons] | 1051     | 3988   | 488.3          | 1853   | 930.9    | 3532   |
| Fuel cost                                                 |        |          |        |                |        |          |        |
| Annual fuel cost                                          | [MNOK] | 35.7     | 47.1   | 16.6           | 21.9   | 31.7     | 41.7   |
| Annual NOx tax                                            | [MNOK] | 0        | 6.16   | 0              | 2.86   | 0        | 5.46   |
| Annual CO2 tax                                            | [MNOK] | 0        | 9.69   | 0              | 4.50   | 0        | 8.58   |
| Maintenance cos                                           | t      |          |        |                |        |          |        |
| Annual mainten-<br>ance cost                              | [MNOK] | 5.63     | 9.42   | 4.50           | 7.54   | 9.85     | 16.5   |
| Annual technical<br>maintenance and<br>safety system cost | [MNOK] | 3.75     | 0      | 3.00           | 0      | 6.56     | 0      |
| Total OPEX                                                | [MNOK] | 45.1     | 72.3   | 24.1           | 36.8   | 48.1     | 72.2   |

#### 6.7.3 Total cost

The cost analysis highlighted that the CAPEX was found to be 178.8 MNOK, 143.0 MNOK, and 312.8 MNOK more for a hydrogen solution than a conventional diesel solution for OCVs, PSVs, and AHTS vessels, respectively. However, the OPEX seems lower for the hydrogen solution with the given assumptions. On average, hydrogen solutions have 35% less OPEX than conventional diesel solutions, primarily due to higher fuel costs and emission taxes. This illustrates a potential for cost savings by introducing zero-emission solutions, and the vessels will no longer have any restrictions related to the ECAs. The assumptions linked to the annual fuel consumption and costs will be further discussed.

The sensitivity of the different cost assumptions for a PSV is illustrated in Figure 6.13. It is assumed that the sensitivity will be approximately the same for the other vessel types. Six different variables were adjusted to assess the OPEX sensitivity for a conventional diesel machinery solution on board a PSV (Figure 6.13a). A change in annual energy demand seems to impact OPEX significantly. Increasing the diesel efficiency for LHV from 37% to 47% could decrease the OPEX by 8 MNOK per year. The OPEX study in Section 3.10.2 assumed a MDO cost of 11.8 NOK/kg, which was relatively high compared to recent years. Figure 6.13a reveals that OPEX can be reduced by almost 8 MNOK if the MDO cost is reduced by 30%. The hydrogen FC solution seems to be most sensitive in terms of FC LHV efficiency and hydrogen cost. If the efficiency is reduced to 20% (60% reduction), it could double OPEX. The annual energy demand is not included in the hydrogen FC case because it is proportional with the hydrogen cost and will therefore have the same slope.



Figure 6.13: OPEX sensitivity analysis for PSV.

#### 6.8 Potential emission reduction

The estimate of annual fuel consumption can be further used to calculate the potential emission reduction by replacing the conventional diesel machinery with hydrogen FC systems. This section will use the results from Method 1 to evaluate the emissions. Figure 6.6 revealed that 71%, 75%, and 95% of OCVs, AHTS vessels, and PSVs, respectively, were able to meet the demand from the offshore market by running on LH<sub>2</sub>. Assuming that these percentages were introduced in today's OSV fleet, it is possible to make a simple estimate of the potential emission reductions. The fuel emission factors from Table 3.2 is used to calculate the emissions based on the annual fuel consumption from Table 6.6. Table 6.7 summarizes the annual emissions for the various OSV types. The values will represent the average annual emissions from one vessel.

| Table 6.7: | Annual | OSV | emissions |
|------------|--------|-----|-----------|
|------------|--------|-----|-----------|

| Vossol typo | $\mathbf{CO}_2$            | NOx    |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------|
| vesser type | $[10^3 \cdot \text{tons}]$ | [tons] |
| OCV         | 24.8                       | 700    |
| PSV         | 11.5                       | 325    |
| AHTS        | 22.0                       | 620    |

Section 4.2 claimed that there were 5516 OSVs in service in 2021, 1053 OCVs, 2023 PSVs, and 2440 AHTS vessels. Table 6.8 displays the total emission reduction potential of the world's OSV

fleet. These numbers will be valid if there are sufficient FC solutions for  $LH_2$  capable of operating the mapped share of vessels. In that case, it could be a major step towards the zero-emission target in 2050. With an annual emission reduction of 80.8 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> and 2.2 million tonnes NOx for the world's OSV fleet.

| Table 6.8: Annua | al emission | reduction | potential | for | OSV | fleet. |
|------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----|--------|
|------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----|--------|

|       | Proportion of vessels that                  | Annual emission reduction       |                                |  |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
|       | satisfy AIS demand [LH <sub>2</sub> , 9 kn] | potential for world's OSV fleet |                                |  |
|       | [%]                                         | $\rm CO_2 \ [10^3 \cdot tons]$  | NOx $[10^3 \cdot \text{tons}]$ |  |
| OCV   | 71                                          | 18500                           | 523                            |  |
| PSV   | 95                                          | 22  100                         | 625                            |  |
| AHTS  | 75                                          | $40 \ 200$                      | 1100                           |  |
| Total | N/A                                         | 80 800                          | 2248                           |  |

### Chapter 7

## Discussion

This chapter discusses the results, assumptions, and methods used to exhibit the applicability of hydrogen. The results from Chapter 6 indicate that it is possible to reduce emissions considerably by switching to hydrogen propulsion systems, given that the assumptions are appropriate. These uncertainties and their quality is further discussed. Additionally, the limitations and considerations for future research are addressed.

#### 7.1 Database relevance

The database used to evaluate the requirements set for the OSV fleet consisted of 283 vessels, 66 OCVs, 122 PSVs, and 95 AHTS vessels. It is assumed that it gives a good overview of the world's offshore fleet and can be used to represent the average offshore ship. As described in Chapter 2, the vessels were picked randomly from well-established shipping companies worldwide. Through the analysis of AIS data, it emerged that the vessels operated all across the globe, which may support the hypothesis that the database provides a good representation of the entire offshore fleet. There can often be large differences in the vessels' sizes and operational patterns from continent to continent. The fact that the database covers the whole world will most likely strengthen the quality of the analysis. Additionally, it is assumed that the demand identified for the different vessel types remains unchanged. In reality, the demand and need for different vessel types can change from year to year. The analyzed database consists of data from 2020 only. To make a more comprehensive analysis, the database could be extended to include data from further back in time, in addition to more vessels.

Most calculations in the analysis are based on comparison vessels, and the relevance of the chosen ships can be discussed. Table 6.2 presented the average age of the OSVs in the database as 11 years (2011). Some of the oldest were built in 2001. In recent years, the machinery systems and ship hulls have developed a lot. Whether it would have been better to pick out a few of the newest ships and use them as comparison ships can be debated. Sundvor et al. [2021] argue that the hydrogen ferries used in their analysis will likely be newbuilds. When an *old* fleet is used for comparison, it may lead to unrealistic results because newbuilds will likely be more efficient than the vessels built 11 years ago. In other words, the current fleet is used as a scale for future needs, and it is assumed that the current needs will be the same in the future. Whether the OSVs in this study will be newbuilds or whether the existing vessels will be retrofitted has not been explored thoroughly enough to draw a conclusion.

Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020] stated that the design lifetime for ships is 20-30 years. The average age of the vessels used in this thesis is 10-12 years, indicating that in a few years, a large part of the fleet will most likely need to be upgraded or replaced. For further work, it may be interesting to find the turning point for when it pays off to replace the entire vessel or to upgrade it. Then it would be necessary to get a more detailed view of the hydrogen systems and look more into how extensive the conversion to hydrogen operation is.

#### 7.2 Analysis of operational profiles

The operational profile for AHTS vessels mapped in Section 4.2 is compared with the values from Strande [2018] to make a brief quality check. This can be seen in Table 7.1. There is some interaction between the two datasets. The Pearson's correlation coefficient is 0.84, which indicates a certain correlation. Towing is the operation that stands out the most, with a difference of 13 %. The study from Strande [2018] is based on 66 different AHTS vessels with various owners. For comparison, the analysis in this thesis used only 10 AHTS vessels to identify the operational profile. Therefore, the values related to *towing* could have been analyzed more thoroughly since this is an energy-consuming form of operation and may have a significant impact on both annual fuel and energy consumption.

|                                                         | $\mathbf{AH}$ | Towing                                  | Transit         | DP                                      | Standby    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Numbers from [Strande, 2018] [%]<br>MARESS database [%] | 13<br>11      | $ \begin{array}{c} 18\\ 5 \end{array} $ | $\frac{18}{27}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 13 \\ 15 \end{array}$ | $38 \\ 43$ |
| Diff. [ % ]                                             | 2             | -13                                     | 10              | 2                                       | 5          |

Table 7.1: Comparison of AHTS operation profile, Strande [2018] against the MARESS database.

As described in Section 4.5, time in standby and DP is expressed as a percentage of total route duration. After further consideration, it has been discussed whether this might give a wrong picture of reality. If a vessel has a transit speed of four knots, the duration in transit will naturally become longer. However, according to the model, the time in standby and DP will also be longer. In reality, the ship would possibly spend the same time in both standby and DP, regardless of the transit speed.

As already mentioned, the operational profiles were gathered using the MARESS database. Through discussion, it emerged that there were several uncertainties associated with the method. It is not certain that the vessels used for analyzing the operational profiles have the same characteristics as those explored in the AIS data. As further work, the code could be extended to identify the operation profile itself by using the AIS data from each vessel. Each mode of operation has a particular characteristic that makes it possible to recognize the pattern using the info contained in the AIS data. For instance, *time in port* can be stored as the duration from the ship arrives in port until it leaves again. Moreover, if more accurate numbers for filling a hydrogen tank are obtained, it is possible to compare this with the time spent in port for each vessel. This could strengthen the analysis and make it more robust.

#### 7.3 Seasonal variations within a dataset

Section 6.6 investigates the seasonal variations within a year. The AIS data range is from January 2020 to December 2020 with the intention of representing potential seasonal variations. The overall seasonal trend is that the summer months are busier than the rest. The number of routes mapped in July is three times as many as in December. Ideally, the analysis should have been carried out for more years to see if the pattern recurred. It may be that 2020 was a unique year. Nevertheless, it still indicates that it was acceptable to include data for an entire year with such large seasonal variations.

The power consumption is assumed to be constant throughout the whole year. In reality, the weather is often harsher during the winter months, placing higher demands on the DP systems and thus increasing power consumption. For future research, it could be interesting to expand the code by merging AIS data with weather data to include the seasonal variations in the power consumption.

#### 7.4 Tank size and bunkering options

The average tank sizes were found by doing a brief analysis of 33 vessels and further used to calculate  $D_{max}$  for a given vessel and fuel type. Tank volume was found by using web scraping with the keyword *fuel oil*. On second thought, this may have been too large compared to the actual size of the fuel tanks. This was brought to attention when reading Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020]. Here the tank size for fuel was separated between *own use* and *transportation use*, which means that the tank sizes in the thesis may be too large compared to a realistic scenario. However, the values can still be used to estimate how much space the hydrogen systems occupy to cover a given distance. For example, an average PSV with 1200  $m^3$  available for hydrogen systems can serve offshore contracts with a sailing range of up to 3000 nautical miles on one tank of LH<sub>2</sub> and a transit speed of 9 knots.

Section 6.5 presents the effect of changing the fuel capacity. The results revealed that even with  $CH_2$  at 100 bar, it is possible to achieve almost 100% route coverage for the analyzed PSV fleet by doubling the tank capacity. However, the tank arrangement drawings in Figure 3.18 illustrates limited available space inside a PSV. Increasing the fuel capacity can cause the ship to have less room to carry payload and, in the worst case, weaken its competitiveness. The size available for hydrogen systems on board the vessel will eventually be a trade-off between the maximum sailing range and cargo capacity. This could develop into a vicious circle, as illustrated in Figure 7.1. Therefore, it is important to carry out a good market analysis before starting a project.



Figure 7.1: Trade-off between cargo capacity and sailing distance.

Furthermore, the analysis does not consider whether it takes more time to fill a hydrogen tank than a standard diesel tank. Section 3.1.1 stated that  $LH_2$  was the best hydrogen option when space limitations and limited bunker time became relevant. Section 3.5 depicts a time of 20 minutes to fill 450 kg  $CH_2$  at 250 bar. The PSV described above would need roughly 47 tonnes of hydrogen, stored in a 1200 m<sup>3</sup> tank at 250 bar, to travel 3000 nautical miles. By using the value of 450 kg per 20 min the PSV will require a bunkering time of 34 hours and 49 minutes. The background study revealed many ongoing projects related to the use of hydrogen. It can be speculated if this will lead to more efficient hydrogen bunkering in the future. Bunkering of larger volumes will also most likely make it more efficient.

In addition, the methods used in this study map all routes for all vessels and use this to identify the requirements set for today's offshore vessels. This implies that each port should have the option of bunkering hydrogen for the analysis to be realistic. Today's infrastructure cannot offer the necessary accessibility of hydrogen refueling facilities, but it may be possible to do so in the future. The background study addressed that Norway is planning to build a production plant for  $LH_2$ , with a long-term goal of building a complete supply chain for the shipping industry.

#### 7.5 Risk of using hydrogen

The average tank size from the analysis is used as a measure of how much space that is available for hydrogen storage systems. However, the location of these has not been taken into account concerning risk and probabilistic damage stability. Section 3.8 briefly overviews the different risks associated with hydrogen as fuel. It reveals that many hazards must be taken into account. Today's fuel tank location has been determined based on MDO as fuel. A more thorough risk analysis must be carried out if the exact location is used for hydrogen, as it is common for MDO tanks to be located inside the ship. Placing the hydrogen tanks in the same locations as today's MDO tanks can expose the ship to much higher risk. When estimating the hydrogen replacement potential for high-speed ferries, Sundvor et al. [2021] state that the hydrogen tanks should be located on an open deck due to safety. Whether this requirement will apply to a much less populated OSV should be further investigated together with the safety zones described by Cluster [2020]. Suppose hydrogen has to be stored on an open deck. In that case, it may affect the profitability and competitiveness of the vessel because the deck area is an essential attribute.

#### 7.6 Power and fuel consumption

When power consumption was estimated, many assumptions had to be made. Three different empirical methods were used to identify the power variation for different transit speeds, Hollenbach, Guldhammer Harvald's, and Holtrop & Mennen's method. Which of the three methods predicts the effect best is hard to say. Therefore, the average value was assumed to be the best approach. Characteristics from one OCV, one PSV, and one AHTS were used as input. Normand Vision, Normand Arctic, and Normand Prosper, respectively. In retrospect, it might have been better to use the average values from the vessels used in the analysis.

The power consumption for the various modes of operation was found by using sfc data from MARESS. All in all, 15 OCVs, 17 PSVs, and 12 AHTS vessels were used. Ideally, data from even more vessels should be used, but it seemed that the average number converged towards a reasonable estimate. Using the average sfc from Table E.2 (Appendix E) in combination with the operational profile, the sfc for a PSV will be 8.16 m<sup>3</sup> MDO/day in this analysis. Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020] claim that a PSV use from 7 to 10 m<sup>3</sup> MDO/day, which fits reasonably well with the assumptions.

The background study highlighted that Strømgren et al. [2020] used multiple FCs of 100 kW to assess the replacement potential of hydrogen in high-speed ferries. MF Hydra is equipped with two 200 kW FC modules. Jogchum Bruinsma stated that the MT-FCPI-500 FC system is the best option from Nedstack to be used in an OSV. This system can provide a nominal power output of 500 kW. Section 3.9 presented the installed power for the various OSV types. An average AHTS vessel is installed with 17 500 kW because towing and AH require a lot of power. Barcellos [2013] stated that some of the biggest AHTS vessels with up to 300 metric tons of bollard pull would need a propulsion system with 20 MW. If the 500 kW FCs were to be used as a propellant, 40 of these would have to be installed. This would most likely take up a lot of space and entail high costs. A larger and more efficient FC system must be created before it can be relevant to install on board an OSV without compromising the competitiveness of the ship. However, Havyard Hydrogen promotes a scalable hydrogen FC propulsion system able to give 3200 kW, making FCs in OSVs much more relevant. Additionally, Burheim [2017] stated that it is possible to engineer hydrogen storage, distribution, and propulsion systems up to several MWs. Strømgren et al. [2020] discuss if moderate technology improvements can make FC systems competitive with diesel in the future.

Risholm and Amon Maritime [2020] claimed that  $CH_2$  was the best option for vessels using less than 1000 kg hydrogen between each refueling. A simple estimate of fuel consumption between each refueling can be obtained by dividing the annual fuel consumption by the number of routes per year. The average annual fuel consumption is taken from Table 6.6, and the number of routes per year is obtained from Table 6.2. For simplicity, the numbers are summarized in Table 7.2 below. It shows that a PSV has the lowest average consumption per trip with 14 tonnes of hydrogen, regardless of storage method. If  $CH_2$  is best for vessels using less than 1000 kg hydrogen between each refueling, it might be that  $LH_2$  is a better option for offshore vessels.

|                                    |              |                 | OCV                                        | $\mathbf{PSV}$                            | AHTS                                       |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Avg. num. rou-<br>tes per year     | [pcs/vessel] |                 | 17                                         | 35                                        | 33                                         |
| Annual fuel<br>consumption         | [tons]       | Hydrogen<br>MDO | $\begin{array}{c} 1051\\ 3988 \end{array}$ | $488 \\1853$                              | $\begin{array}{c} 931\\ 3532 \end{array}$  |
| Avg. amount fuel<br>each refueling | [tons/route] | Hydrogen<br>MDO | $\begin{array}{c} 61.8 \\ 235 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 14.0\\ 52.9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 28.2 \\ 107 \end{array}$ |

Table 7.2: Average amount of fuel consumption between each refueling.

One of the hypotheses in the project's initiation phase was that hydrogen and FCs would be a better zero-emission alternative than batteries. Mainly because the high energy demand in shipping would require large and heavy batteries to be zero-emission, which would negatively affect the efficiency of the ship, especially if the vessel is critical in terms of weight. Aarskog et al. [2020] point out that a 250-350 bar hydrogen tank is about five times lighter than the battery solutions. However, after conducting a literature study on the subject, it seems like hydrogen systems may be large and complex as well, especially when hydrogen is stored at high pressure or extremely low temperatures. For instance, the total weight of the hydrogen systems in a hydrogen-driven Toyota Mirai was 144 kg compared to a battery-driven Nissan Leaf with a battery pack of 294 kg. Whether the weight of battery solutions for the offshore industry will be 100% heavier than FC solutions is hard to tell, but it is perhaps worth looking into as further work.

As further research, it can be discussed whether it is possible to introduce offshore hubs as described in Section 3.11. This is a measure to cope with hydrogen's low volumetric energy density by shortening today's sailing distances and lowering fuel capacity requirements. However, introducing a hub will most likely entail a large investment cost and place great demands on the infrastructure. Anyway, before utilizing the hub idea, a thorough market analysis should be carried out beforehand.

The profitability of introducing hubs can be highlighted by formulating a basic optimization problem. An example can be seen in Figure 7.2, where the offshore hub is placed far out on the Norwegian continental shelf (Figure 7.2b). It will perhaps be more relevant for a PSV sailing from platform to platform with supplies, but the hub can also be used as a natural operation center for OCVs and AHTS vessels.



(a) Example of route without hub.

(b) Example of hub solution.

Figure 7.2: Hub implementation case.

Introducing a hub should make the hydrogen vessel able to refuel at the offshore field, which makes it capable of visiting more platforms if the range was not long enough in the first place. The optimization problem shown in Figure 7.3 can be used to identify the potential gains in terms of emissions and costs. However, even though a hub is introduced, it will still be a need for a filling solution for the hub itself.



Figure 7.3: Optimization problem with hub.

#### 7.7 Calculate energy densities

The energy density calculation was performed to better understand the principle of a FC and get a value on the energy content for different hydrogen storage methods. While there is low uncertainty related to the energy output for hydrogen in a FC per kilo, there is greater uncertainty to the energy output per cubic meter. Gibbs free energy (kJ/mol) for hydrogen was calculated using chemistry's well-established and well-known tabulated values. Furthermore, gibbs energy was multiplied by the molar volume (mol/m<sup>3</sup>), which changed with pressure and temperature. This gave the volumetric energy density (kJ/m<sup>3</sup>) used in this analysis. As already mentioned, Khotseng [2019] states that gibbs free energy is the energy available to do useful work. In addition, the plot in Figure 3.9 shows that the molar volume from the industry agrees well with the assumptions made. The final volumetric energy density corresponds well with the values from Aarskog and Danebergs [2020], which conducts a similar analysis for high-speed ferries. Since the assumptions for calculating energy density agree well with multiple other sources, it is assumed that the values used in this analysis will give a realistic result.

#### 7.8 Estimate fuel efficiency

The efficiency of conventional diesel machinery and FCs was assumed to be the same for all vessels when calculating the theoretical sailing range. The uncertainty surrounding this efficiency plays a major role in the calculations. In the worst case, an incorrect value can lead to large errors and unrealistic results. It can be discussed if 50 % was the best choice to represent the efficiency of a FC. Most likely, the efficiency will depend on the type of FC used. Additionally, Strømgren et al. [2020] state that the efficiency of a FC depends on the power output. However, after doing a thorough background study, it seemed that a 50 % efficiency for FCs was widely used. Furthermore, a value of 37 % was often applied to the efficiency of conventional machinery.

Additional energy loss will be associated with various fuel storage methods, especially hydrogen. For example, an energy loss of another 30 % is assumed when hydrogen is stored in a liquid phase. Commonwealth of Australia [2018] assumes an energy loss of 20 - 30 %, while Berstad et al. [2013] assume a loss between 25 and 40 %. Therefore, 30 % seemed to be a reasonable estimate. Although LH<sub>2</sub> has more energy loss in storage than CH<sub>2</sub>, Figure 6.3 shows that LH<sub>2</sub> is the hydrogen solution with the largest  $D_{max}$  for all vessel types. It is challenging to discuss which hydrogen solution is the best, especially when FCs are relatively new and there is little test data from the maritime industry. However, in terms of range, LH<sub>2</sub> seems to be the best solution. As mentioned in the background study, Mazloomi and Gomes [2012] described CH<sub>2</sub> as the most time and energy-efficient hydrogen solution. In addition, hydrogen storage at high pressure will have 4-5 times less cost compared to LH<sub>2</sub>.

#### 7.9 Data cleaning

Data cleaning is an essential tool for neglecting unrealistic and invalid results. The description of the methods in Chapter 4 shows that many assumptions must be made. Some data points had transit speeds that were very high, much higher than the vessel's maximum speed, and were thus neglected. In retrospect, it was perhaps unnecessary to neglect them. Instead of deleting the data points with high speeds, Strømgren et al. [2020] chose to lower the measured speeds to the vessel's maximum speed, which meant they did not miss the data points. In this study, 43 954 data points (0.3%) were neglected due to unrealistic speeds.

Moreover, data points with more than 12 hours between each measurement were neglected. A widely used measurement frequency was observed as 6 hours. Tolerating up to 12 hours between each tracking allowed one measurement to be skipped, which meant that the analysis could identify more routes. It can be discussed how much a ship can do in 12 hours and to what extent this can affect the operational profile. In total, 8 871 736 data points were identified as part of a route, corresponding to 60% of the input data. Whether this says anything about the quality of the python code used in the analysis or the data quality is difficult to say. If all data points were categorized into a route, the code would have been able to detect all routes traveled by the vessels and thus also represent the reality perfectly. Figure 7.4 illustrates an example where a large part of the data was not categorized as a route because the AIS tracking was turned off before reaching Europe. Because the code defines a route as coast to coast, it relies on two measurements near shore at each end of the route to store it. Therefore, the data for this vessel was deleted from the analysis along with other similar cases where the code gave a wrong picture of reality.



Figure 7.4: Transatlantic route not identified by code.

#### 7.10 Route identification

In the categorization of nearshore and offshore points, the python code used a circle with a given radius to evaluate the distance from shore. The length of the radius had to be chosen carefully. It could lead to inaccuracies if it became too long or too short. Figure 7.5 illustrates which factors must be considered when defining the radius. Figure 7.5a shows the consequence of choosing a search radius that is too long. The start of the route will be defined in the middle of the Strait of Gibraltar, even though the route runs straight through. Figure 7.5b illustrates a case where the length of the search radius is appropriate. The start of the route will be when the vessel leaves the port of Las Palmas, and when it returns, the code manages to detect that the route goes past Las Palmas and further on to Europe. If the search radius had been larger, the route would have stopped at Las Palmas on the way back as well.



(a) Too large radius.

(b) Sufficient length of radius.

Figure 7.5: Selection of radius to categorize AIS points.

For further work, it could be interesting to expand the python code to be able to handle the problems described above. The search radius at each point makes it hard to detect routes sailing parallel and close to shore. Usually, these points were categorized as *nearshore* points and thus not included as a route. Introducing a constraint that the speed must be 0 knots to be categorized as a *nearshore* point could enable the code to identify more of these *nearshore* routes.

#### 7.11 Cost and emission estimation

Many assumptions were made to generate a brief cost analysis. The sensitivity analysis performed in Section 6.7 revealed that the annual energy consumption greatly influenced OPEX. There are several ways to change the annual energy consumption. For example, improving hull efficiency or optimizing the vessel's operational pattern. The annual energy consumption was estimated using the load and operational profiles identified in Chapter 4, Methods. As discussed above, the analysis is based on comparison vessels, some very old. It can be argued if these values will give the best representation of fuel consumption today or whether they are too old. The same applies to the cost of hydrogen. As presented in the background study, previous articles presented different values for the hydrogen cost. Furthermore, it is questionable whether the average was the most appropriate to use, especially given the fact that a significant price reduction for hydrogen is expected. It is worth mentioning that OPEX was calculated using the energy per kilogram and not per cubic meter, which means that the storage losses for hydrogen were neglected in this section. After further consideration, the results could have been more realistic by using the energy per cubic meter for  $LH_2$  and the energy losses due to storage. The results from Table 6.6 showed that the annual fuel consumption of hydrogen was almost a quarter of the annual MDO consumption by weight. The energy per kilogram is much higher for hydrogen (33.30 kWh/kg) compared to MDO (11.86 kWh/kg), in addition to higher efficiency (50%/37%). However, it is more complicated and energy-demanding to store hydrogen. It should be further analyzed if this should have been taken into account in the OPEX calculations.

The results revealed that CAPEX was greater for a hydrogen vessel than a conventional diesel vessel. The cost of FC systems was 217% higher than conventional machinery. To compare, Strømgren et al. [2020] concluded that the cost of the FC solutions was 28% higher than diesel alternatives for high-speed crafts. Some uncertainty is associated with the assumption of 8200 NOK per kW of installed machinery. The same applies to the FCs. It can be questioned if the cost per kW is the same for high-speed ferries as for OSVs. Figure 3.19 illustrates how Ianssen et al. [2017] expect a decrease in the FC price. Additionally, there are good opportunities to obtain financing for these kinds of future-oriented projects. Enova awarded the Topeka project described in Section 3.1 219 MNOK in 2020, and the MF Hydra project received 14.6 MNOK, also from Enova. Furthermore, Section 3.7 mentioned that the Norwegian government would have an increasing focus on hydrogen and aim toward a low-emission society in the future.

At last, the emissions were calculated using the characteristics of alternative fuels and the fuel emission factors from Section 3.1.3. The uncertainty surrounding these numbers is difficult to determine, but they will give a good indication of the extent of the emission reductions. When calculating the emission reductions, it was assumed that all vessels initially used MDO. This is mainly true, but some OSVs also use dual-fuel engines with, for instance, LNG. DNV [2020] states that the world fleet is mostly powered by diesel engines running on marine fuel oils. The results showed that the total annual emission reduction potential by using LH<sub>2</sub> on today's OSVs was 81 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>. Arena Ocean Hyway Cluster [2020] states that the Norwegian maritime sector alone had emissions of 4.8 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> in 2017. In addition, Johansson et al. [2017] presented an annual emission from the world fleet of 20.9 million tonnes of NOx and 831.3 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>. In other words, the results of this study show that the emission reduction from the OSV fleet alone can help reduce the total emissions from the world fleet by roughly 10%.

#### 7.12 Determination of hydrogen potential

When determining the hydrogen potential, it is difficult to say which of the methods is best. Method 1 in Section 6.4.1 used the largest route for each vessel as a threshold, and Method 2 in Section 6.4.2 used all routes identified for each vessel. For the first method, when converting to zero-emission propulsion, the vessel must be capable of covering the longest route. If not, it could reduce its competitiveness and lose contracts to diesel vessels. At the same time, if the vessel manages to cover the longest route, it will also be able to cover all the smaller routes. For the second method,  $D_{max}$  was compared against all routes mapped in the AIS data. This made it possible to investigate the average route coverage for each vessel. By looking at the average values, the zero-emission potential became higher. Method 1 focuses exclusively on whether the vessel can cover the longest route. In contrast, Method 2 can identify if there is still potential even if it cannot cover the longest route. For instance, the case vessel in Chapter 5 got zero potential when using Method 1. But Method 2 was able to detect that as much as 20 of 21 identified routes could be sailed with  $LH_2$  as fuel, giving a potential of 95%. To finish off, what coverage method that should be used as an argument for initiating hydrogen operation of ships is difficult to say. It depends on the preference of the shipping companies and shipowners. How they prefer to arrange their fleet, have the highest average route coverage, or build the ships always to be able to take on all contracts, even those with the longest distances.

### Chapter 8

## Conclusion

The main scope of the thesis is to investigate the replacement potential of OSVs with zero-emission hydrogen solutions. The background study revealed that development in the offshore fleet is needed to reach the zero-emission goals in 2050, and hydrogen as fuel stood out as a promising alternative. One main concern related to hydrogen is the low volumetric energy density, leading to major challenges regarding capacity and storage options.

The maximum theoretical sailing distance  $(D_{max})$  for a PSV with a transit speed of 11 knots running on MDO was calculated to be around 12 500 nm. With LH<sub>2</sub>, the hydrogen solution with the highest volumetric energy content, it was able to cover 2600 nm. An AHTS vessel with a transit speed of 11 knots running on MDO was calculated to have a  $D_{max}$  of 7200 nm, while it was 1500 nm with LH<sub>2</sub>. At last, an OCV with a transit speed of 11 knots running on MDO  $D_{max}$ was calculated to be around 8500 nm, while it was 1800 nm with LH<sub>2</sub>. These values reveal that  $D_{max}$  with hydrogen is considerably lower than with MDO, given that both solutions have the same volume limitation.

By analyzing 283 vessels and 15 million data points, it appeared that the most frequent transit speeds are 10.5 knots for an OCV, 9.0 knots for a PSV, and 9.5 knots for an AHTS vessel. Furthermore, the AIS analysis detected that the average route length was almost twice as long for an OCV compared to a PSV. Additionally, the background study revealed that it could be challenging to find FCs large enough to meet the power demand of an AHTS vessel.

Two different methods were formulated to determine the zero-emission potential of using hydrogen as fuel. The first route coverage method disclosed that 71.2% of the OCVs, 74.7% of the AHTS vessels, and 95.1% of the PSVs could cover their longest route with transit speed of 11 knots and LH<sub>2</sub> as fuel. The second method identified an average route coverage of 92.6% for the OCVs, 94.5% for the AHTS vessels, and 99.7% for the PSVs with a transit speed of 11 knots and LH<sub>2</sub> as fuel. The route coverage should be as high as possible to not affect the vessel's competitiveness.

In conclusion, the results show great potential in converting OSVs to hydrogen propulsion, with an annual emission reduction potential of 80.8 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> and 2.2 million tonnes NOx. Although Method 1 detects less than 75% coverage for both OCV and AHTS vessels, Method 2 still reveals that a majority of the routes can be completed with zero-emission fuel. However, both methods point out PSV as the vessel type with the highest replacement potential. The results show that it is possible to cover the demand with hydrogen FCs running on LH<sub>2</sub> without affecting the competitiveness and design of the ship. 16 FCs of the type MT-FCPI-500 from Nedstack will be sufficient to cover the need for installed power in a PSV. A zero-emission conversion will place great demands on the infrastructure and it may challenge today's risk-related hydrogen regulations. Using green hydrogen will make shipping 100% zero-emission, contribute to clean energy, and significantly impact the three SDGs. In addition to being a climate action, the hydrogen revolution may act as a catalyst, contribute to innovations, and create new industries and infrastructure for the future.

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# Appendix A

# Characteristics for vessels in database

| Num      | Voar | $\mathbf{GT}$ | $\mathbf{dwt}$ | Length         | $\mathbf{Width}$ |
|----------|------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| i vuiii. | Tear | [ton]         | [ton]          | $[\mathbf{m}]$ | [m]              |
| OCV1     | 2003 | 6689          | 4577           | 90             | 23               |
| OCV2     | 2018 | 14908         | 9734           | 138            | 27               |
| OCV3     | 2010 | 4323          | 6128           | 90             | 19               |
| OCV4     | 2009 | 5903          | 4582           | 82             | 22               |
| OCV5     | 2007 | 7617          | 4000           | 106            | 21               |
| OCV6     | 2001 | 4456          | 4850           | 84             | 20               |
| OCV7     | 2005 | 3187          | 3355           | 74             | 16               |
| OCV8     | 2007 | 3203          | 3224           | 74             | 16               |
| OCV9     | 2012 | 5773          | 4857           | 94             | 20               |
| OCV10    | 2010 | 8246          | 5750           | 109            | 24               |
| OCV11    | 2001 | 7941          | 5090           | 104            | 24               |
| OCV12    | 2011 | 15183         | 9000           | 142            | 27               |
| OCV13    | 2019 | 14957         | 12513          | 140            | 28               |
| OCV14    | 2009 | 3131          | 3550           | 80             | 16               |
| OCV15    | 2000 | 4641          | 3722           | 93             | 20               |
| OCV16    | 2009 | 6802          | 3600           | 106            | 21               |
| OCV17    | 2008 | 9074          | 6000           | 121            | 23               |
| OCV18    | 2011 | 7386          | 3729           | 107            | 21               |
| OCV19    | 2017 | 5883          | 2970           | 93             | 20               |
| OCV20    | 2010 | 15183         | 9000           | 142            | 27               |
| OCV21    | 2006 | 4454          | 4150           | 86             | 20               |
| OCV22    | 2014 | 16954         | 13000          | 157            | 27               |
| OCV23    | 2015 | 15008         | 9000           | 143            | 25               |
| OCV24    | 2014 | 7885          | 5520           | 108            | 22               |
| OCV25    | 2006 | 14506         | 9511           | 124            | 28               |
| OCV26    | 1999 | 5913          | 5292           | 95             | 24               |
| OCV27    | 2015 | 15008         | 9200           | 143            | 25               |
| OCV28    | 2001 | 10979         | 9976           | 128            | 27               |
| OCV29    | 2014 | 8973          | 4750           | 121            | 23               |
| OCV30    | 2007 | 14161         | 14180          | 130            | 28               |
| OCV31    | 2013 | 7403          | 7054           | 108            | 22               |
| OCV32    | 2017 | 7652          | 4200           | 98             | 22               |
| OCV33    | 2003 | 12913         | 8018           | 119            | 27               |
| OCV34    | 2013 | 8594          | 5000           | 121            | 26               |

Table A.1: OCV characteristics from database.

| Num     | Voor | $\mathbf{GT}$ | $\mathbf{dwt}$ | $\mathbf{Length}$ | $\mathbf{Width}$ |
|---------|------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| INUIII. | Tear | [ton]         | [ton]          | [m]               | $[\mathbf{m}]$   |
| OCV35   | 2014 | 8878          | 5251           | 121               | 27               |
| OCV36   | 2013 | 8594          | 5000           | 121               | 26               |
| OCV37   | 2014 | 8878          | 5253           | 121               | 27               |
| OCV38   | 2009 | 4869          | 4257           | 94                | 20               |
| OCV39   | 2008 | 11602         | 8700           | 120               | 25               |
| OCV40   | 2010 | 10277         | 4900           | 122               | 23               |
| OCV41   | 2011 | 8552          | 7000           | 98                | 20               |
| OCV42   | 2016 | 5138          | 2632           | 88                | 22               |
| OCV43   | 2016 | 5138          | 2426           | 88                | 22               |
| OCV44   | 2013 | 7534          | 4500           | 91                | 22               |
| OCV45   | 1999 | 7401          | 6350           | 103               | 22               |
| OCV46   | 2015 | 19813         | 13500          | 147               | 35               |
| OCV47   | 2013 | 11363         | 5125           | 107               | 25               |
| OCV48   | 2008 | 9464          | 6200           | 109               | 23               |
| OCV49   | 2008 | 6074          | 4900           | 95                | 20               |
| OCV50   | 2009 | 4398          | 2325           | 85                | 19               |
| OCV51   | 2017 | 23885         | 13574          | 160               | 32               |
| OCV52   | 2011 | 11071         | 7250           | 120               | 23               |
| OCV53   | 2009 | 9494          | 7800           | 132               | 22               |
| OCV54   | 2008 | 18367         | 11366          | 157               | 28               |
| OCV55   | 2014 | 18666         | 12182          | 146               | 31               |
| OCV56   | 2011 | 16511         | 11300          | 157               | 27               |
| OCV57   | 2008 | 5275          | 4665           | 104               | 20               |
| OCV58   | 2012 | 4902          | 4857           | 94                | 20               |
| OCV59   | 2012 | 4902          | 4857           | 94                | 20               |
| OCV60   | 2009 | 6838          | 4925           | 94                | 23               |
| OCV61   | 2007 | 6038          | 4900           | 95                | 21               |
| OCV62   | 2008 | 6596          | 3900           | 106               | 21               |
| OCV63   | 2015 | 5395          | 3100           | 93                | 19               |
| OCV64   | 2020 | 11387         | 5866           | 123               | 25               |
| OCV65   | 2008 | 12223         | 8200           | 116               | 25               |
| OCV66   | 2014 | 6983          | 4600           | 103               | 21               |
| Avg.    | 2010 | 9264          | 6375           | 111               | 23               |

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Table A.2: PSV characteristics from database.

| Num.  | Year | GT<br>[ton] | dwt<br>[ton] | ${f Length} \ [m]$ | $egin{array}{c} {f Width} \ [m] \end{array}$ |
|-------|------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| PSV1  | 2006 | 3760        | 4131         | 89                 | 19                                           |
| PSV2  | 2006 | 3760        | 4127         | 81                 | 19                                           |
| PSV3  | 2012 | 3966        | 4574         | 88                 | 19                                           |
| PSV4  | 2003 | 3285        | 4100         | 84                 | 20                                           |
| PSV5  | 2011 | 3959        | 4700         | 88                 | 19                                           |
| PSV6  | 2009 | 4469        | 5005         | 95                 | 20                                           |
| PSV7  | 2011 | 5054        | 5054         | 95                 | 20                                           |
| PSV8  | 2013 | 4365        | 2896         | 82                 | 17                                           |
| PSV9  | 2012 | 3958        | 4700         | 88                 | 19                                           |
| PSV10 | 2012 | 3588        | 3594         | 82                 | 17                                           |
| PSV11 | 2008 | 4859        | 4423         | 97                 | 21                                           |
| PSV12 | 2012 | 3788        | 3100         | 82                 | 17                                           |

| NT 57             |              | GT           | dwt                 | Length   | Width          |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| Num.              | Year         | [ton]        | [ton]               | [m]      | $[\mathbf{m}]$ |
| PSV13             | 2003         | 3482         | 3933                | 86       | 20             |
| PSV14             | 2005         | 3790         | 4847                | 86       | 19             |
| PSV15             | 2008         | 4293         | 4678                | 91       | 19             |
| PSV16             | 2006         | 3922         | 4779                | 89       | 19             |
| PSV17             | 2012         | 4058         | 4400                | 89       | 19             |
| PSV18             | 2008         | 2341         | 3205                | 73       | 17             |
| PSV19             | 2006         | 2321         | 3230                | 73       | 17             |
| PSV20             | 2006         | 2529         | 2927                | 73       | 17             |
| PSV21             | 2009         | 2537         | 2930                | 73       | 17             |
| PSV22             | 2009         | 495          | 581                 | 50       | 11             |
| PSV23             | 2019         | 3370         | 3821                | 84       | 18             |
| PSV24             | 2015         | 3601         | 5154                | 87       | 19             |
| PSV25             | 2015         | 1424         | 2068                | 61       | 15             |
| PSV26             | 2008         | 1111         | 1674                | 58       | 15             |
| PSV27             | 2015         | 1424         | 2049                | 61       | 15             |
| PSV28             | 2007         | 1111         | 1783                | 58       | 15             |
| PSV29             | 2019         | 4125         | 4200                | 86       | 18             |
| PSV30             | 2014         | 1445         | 2049                | 61       | 15             |
| PSV31             | 2009         | 2177         | 3279                | 74       | 16             |
| PSV32             | 2014         | 1445         | 2068                | 61       | 15             |
| PSV33             | 2017         | 1634         | 2252                | 67       | 15             |
| PSV34             | 2015         | 3601         | 5116                | 87       | 19             |
| PSV35             | 2019         | 4125         | 4200                | 86       | 18             |
| PSV36             | 2019         | 4125         | 4200                | 86       | 18             |
| PSV37             | 2018         | 3370         | 3948                | 84       | 17             |
| PSV38             | 2016         | 1634         | 2252                | 67       | 15             |
| PSV39             | 2019         | 4125         | 4545                | 86       | 18             |
| PSV40             | 2004         | 1243         | 817                 | 66       | 14             |
| PSV41             | 2013         | 1445         | 2049                | 61       | 15             |
| PSV42             | 2016         | 1634         | 2252                | 67       | 15             |
| PSV43             | 2019         | 1634         | 2252                | 67       | 15             |
| PSV44             | 2012         | 3601         | 5131                | 87       | 19             |
| PSV45             | 2012         | 3601         | 5145                | 87       | 19             |
| PSV46             | 2016         | 3638         | 4122                | 83       | 18             |
| PSV47             | 2012         | 5280         | 4900                | 94       | 20             |
| PSV48             | 2011         | 4258         | 4500                | 85       | 20             |
| PSV49             | 2013         | 5335         | 4800                | 90       | 21             |
| PSV50             | 2009         | 5211         | 5944                | 94       | 21             |
| PSV51             | 2013         | 3527         | 4000                | 82       | 18             |
| PSV52             | 2012         | 3527         | 4000                | 82       | 18             |
| PSV53             | 2013         | 3527         | 4000                | 82       | 18             |
| PSV54             | 2012         | 4590         | 5300                | 94       | 20             |
| PSV55<br>DCVFC    | 2014         | 4007         | 4700                | 88       | 19             |
| PSV56             | 2014         | 4007         | 4700                | 89       | 19             |
| PSV57             | 2014         | 4007         | 4700                | 88       | 19             |
| LOADEU            | 2014<br>2014 | 4007<br>2455 | 4700                | 89       | 19<br>17       |
| LOV9A<br>DCARU    | 2014         | 0400<br>4959 | 4000                | 82<br>01 | 1 (<br>20      |
| F SV 00<br>DGVA1  | 2011<br>2012 | 4200<br>3597 | 4000                | 00<br>00 | 20<br>10       |
| LOV01<br>DCARD    | 2012         | 3327<br>4755 | $4000 \\ 5107$      | 02<br>02 | 10<br>91       |
| I DV02<br>DSV62   | 2008<br>2019 | 4700<br>5270 | 5800                | 90<br>09 | 21<br>99       |
| I D V UD<br>PSVRA | 2012<br>2002 | JJ10<br>1755 | 5200                | 92<br>02 | 22<br>91       |
| PSV65             | 2008<br>2012 | 4755<br>4050 | $\frac{5200}{4706}$ | 90<br>88 | 21<br>10       |
| PSV66             | 2012         | 4059         | 4697                | 88       | 10             |
| 10,000            | 2010         | 1000         | 1001                | 00       | 10             |

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| Num |                  | Veen         | ${ m GT}$ dwt |              | Length   | Width           |
|-----|------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|
|     | IN UIII.         | Tear         | [ton]         | [ton]        | [m]      | [m]             |
| -   | PSV67            | 2014         | 3585          | 4078         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV68            | 2015         | 3585          | 4054         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV69            | 2015         | 3585          | 4089         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV70            | 2015         | 3585          | 4103         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV71            | 2017         | 3585          | 4078         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV72            | 2017         | 3585          | 4065         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV73            | 2018         | 3585          | 4045         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV74            | 2018         | 3585          | 4052         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV75            | 2018         | 3585          | 4049         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV76            | 2014         | 5179          | 5263         | 97       | 20              |
|     | PSV77            | 2014         | 5179          | 5263         | 97       | 20              |
|     | PSV78            | 2006         | 2218          | 3250         | 73       | 16              |
|     | PSV79            | 2008         | 2218          | 3250         | 73       | 16              |
|     | PSV80            | 2013         | 3933          | 4700         | 88       | 19              |
|     | PSV81            | 2014         | 3933          | 4700         | 88       | 19              |
|     | PSV82            | 2015         | 5321          | 5071         | 89       | 19              |
|     | PSV83            | 2014         | 4768          | 5500         | 89       | 19              |
|     | PSV84            | 2016         | 4768          | 5500         | 89       | 19              |
|     | PSV85            | 2012         | 3719          | 5125         | 87       | 19              |
|     | PSV86            | 2012         | 3404          | 3691         | 76       | 18              |
|     | PSV87            | 2005         | 2045          | 3462         | 77       | 17              |
|     | PSV88            | 2015         | 3927          | 4662         | 84       | 18              |
|     | PSV89            | 2009         | 2999          | 4820         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV90            | 2009         | 2999          | 4725         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV91            | 2004         | 3045          | 4381         | 85       | 18              |
|     | PSV92            | 2009         | 2933          | 3790         | 79       | 18              |
|     | PSV93            | 2012         | 4424          | 4976         | 93       | 20              |
|     | PSV94            | 2011         | 3022          | 3683         | 80       | 18              |
|     | PSV95            | 2008         | 4309          | 4800         | 94       | 20              |
|     | PSV96            | 2009         | 3062          | 4100         | 80       | 18              |
|     | PSV97            | 2013         | 4258          | 5509         | 84       | 20              |
|     | PSV98            | 2015         | 3804          | 4000         | 82       | 18              |
|     | PSV99            | 2013         | 3464          | 4000         | 82       | 17              |
|     | PSV100           | 2013         | 3708          | 5053         | 87       | 19              |
|     | PSV101           | 2016         | 3804          | 4000         | 82       | 18              |
|     | PSV102           | 2014         | 5105          | 5098         | 97       | 20              |
|     | PSV103           | 2008         | 0111<br>F201  | 6200<br>C150 | 92       | 21              |
|     | PSV104<br>DCV105 | 2012         | 5381          | 6150<br>6150 | 90       | 24              |
|     | P5V105<br>DCV10C | 2012         | 0381          | 6100         | 90       | 21              |
|     | PSV100<br>DCV107 | 2009         | 0111          | 6200         | 92       | 21              |
|     | PSV107<br>DCV109 | 2004         | 0040<br>4870  | 0200         | 92       | 20              |
|     | PSV100<br>DSV100 | 2015<br>2007 | 4010          | 4944         | 92<br>96 | 21              |
|     | DSV109           | 2007         | 2602          | 4001         | 00<br>86 | 20              |
|     | PSV110<br>DSV111 | 2009         | 3095<br>4518  | 4000<br>5100 | 00<br>05 | 20              |
|     | DSV111           | 2011         | 4910          | 5722         | 90       | 20              |
|     | PSV112           | 2014         | 4800          | 5761         | 90<br>00 | 20<br>20        |
|     | PSV11/           | 2014         | 31/0          | 3000         | 90<br>80 | ∠0<br>16        |
|     | PSV115           | 2011 2011    | 5140          | 5066         | 04       | 20              |
|     | PSV116           | 2012         | 3315          | 3750         | 94<br>84 | 20<br>17        |
|     | PSV117           | 2014         | 4676          | 4750         | 96<br>96 | 20              |
|     | PSV118           | 2012         | 4676          | 4750         | 90<br>06 | 20<br>20        |
|     | PSV110           | 2012<br>2014 | 5068          | 5300         | 90<br>97 | 20              |
|     | PSV120           | 2015         | 5068          | 5300         | 97       | $\frac{20}{20}$ |
|     | =                |              |               |              | · ·      |                 |

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| Num.   | Year | GT<br>[ton] | ${f dwt}$ $[ton]$ | $\mathop{\rm Length}\limits_{[{ m m}]}$ | Width<br>[m] |
|--------|------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|
| PSV121 | 2009 | 4608        | 4100              | 93                                      | 20           |
| PSV122 | 2007 | 4382        | 4100              | 93                                      | 20           |
| Avg.   | 2012 | 3727        | 4231              | 84                                      | 18           |

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Table A.3: AHTS characteristics from database.

| NI       | Veen | $\mathbf{GT}$ | $\mathbf{dwt}$ | Length | Width          |
|----------|------|---------------|----------------|--------|----------------|
| IN UIII. | rear | [ton]         | [ton]          | [m]    | $[\mathbf{m}]$ |
| AHTS1    | 2014 | 6490          | 4000           | 84     | 23             |
| AHTS2    | 2015 | 6490          | 4168           | 80     | 22             |
| AHTS3    | 2010 | 6798          | 4252           | 90     | 23             |
| AHTS4    | 2010 | 6798          | 4223           | 90     | 23             |
| AHTS5    | 2006 | 5470          | 4029           | 89     | 21             |
| AHTS6    | 2019 | 10181         | 4912           | 95     | 25             |
| AHTS7    | 2017 | 10181         | 4905           | 95     | 25             |
| AHTS8    | 2017 | 10181         | 4905           | 95     | 25             |
| AHTS9    | 2018 | 10181         | 4912           | 95     | 25             |
| AHTS10   | 2018 | 10181         | 4906           | 95     | 25             |
| AHTS11   | 2008 | 4998          | 3411           | 73     | 20             |
| AHTS12   | 2008 | 4678          | 3509           | 73     | 20             |
| AHTS13   | 2009 | 4678          | 3518           | 73     | 20             |
| AHTS14   | 2009 | 4678          | 3492           | 73     | 20             |
| AHTS15   | 2011 | 7099          | 4700           | 95     | 24             |
| AHTS16   | 2015 | 7334          | 4299           | 94     | 22             |
| AHTS17   | 2010 | 8164          | 5750           | 109    | 24             |
| AHTS18   | 2012 | 3181          | 3000           | 74     | 17             |
| AHTS19   | 2006 | 3519          | 2600           | 80     | 18             |
| AHTS20   | 2011 | 3181          | 3195           | 75     | 17             |
| AHTS21   | 2007 | 3519          | 2600           | 80     | 18             |
| AHTS22   | 2009 | 6838          | 4925           | 94     | 23             |
| AHTS23   | 2013 | 8269          | 4000           | 94     | 24             |
| AHTS24   | 2012 | 7099          | 4700           | 95     | 24             |
| AHTS25   | 2010 | 2771          | 2250           | 74     | 17             |
| AHTS26   | 2016 | 7334          | 4756           | 94     | 22             |
| AHTS27   | 2007 | 3519          | 2600           | 81     | 18             |
| AHTS28   | 2014 | 7334          | 4299           | 94     | 22             |
| AHTS29   | 2004 | 3360          | 2240           | 76     | 18             |
| AHTS30   | 2004 | 3360          | 2240           | 76     | 18             |
| AHTS31   | 2013 | 2343          | 2100           | 69     | 15             |
| AHTS32   | 2004 | 3254          | 2450           | 78     | 18             |
| AHTS33   | 2006 | 2310          | 2100           | 67     | 15             |
| AHTS34   | 2010 | 2343          | 2100           | 69     | 15             |
| AHTS35   | 2006 | 2310          | 2396           | 67     | 15             |
| AHTS36   | 2013 | 3208          | 3107           | 81     | 17             |
| AHTS37   | 2013 | 3208          | 3124           | 81     | 17             |
| AHTS38   | 2011 | 1678          | 1321           | 59     | 15             |
| AHTS39   | 2011 | 1678          | 1337           | 59     | 15             |
| AHTS40   | 2011 | 1678          | 1324           | 59     | 15             |
| AHTS41   | 2012 | 1678          | 1327           | 59     | 15             |
| AHTS42   | 2012 | 1678          | 1314           | 59     | 15             |

| Table            | 11.0 0 | GT dwt Length Widt |       |          |     |  |
|------------------|--------|--------------------|-------|----------|-----|--|
| Num.             | Year   | [ton]              | [ton] | [m]      | [m] |  |
|                  | 0015   | 0001               | 1000  | []<br>   | 1.0 |  |
| AH1545<br>AUTS44 | 2015   | 2281               | 1909  | 00<br>05 | 10  |  |
|                  | 2010   | 0000               | 4724  | 95       | 24  |  |
|                  | 2010   | 8000<br>7004       | 4011  | 90       | 24  |  |
| AHIS40           | 2007   | 7934               | 4559  | 89       | 22  |  |
| AHIS47           | 2010   | (480               | 4559  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AH1548           | 2009   | 0107               | 3900  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS49           | 2014   | 6170               | 4000  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS50           | 2013   | 6170               | 4028  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS51           | 2014   | 6170               | 3954  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS52           | 2009   | 6107               | 3880  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS53           | 2001   | 3170               | 2805  | 80       | 18  |  |
| AHTS54           | 2005   | 2854               | 2400  | 78       | 17  |  |
| AHTS55           | 2006   | 3628               | 2721  | 81       | 18  |  |
| AHTS56           | 2007   | 7176               | 4800  | 93       | 22  |  |
| AHTS57           | 2010   | 6107               | 3954  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS58           | 2013   | 6170               | 4015  | 87       | 21  |  |
| AHTS59           | 2014   | 6641               | 4449  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS60           | 2013   | 6641               | 4523  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS61           | 2014   | 6641               | 4517  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS62           | 2014   | 6641               | 4518  | 82       | 22  |  |
| AHTS63           | 2014   | 6641               | 4543  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS64           | 2013   | 6641               | 4547  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS65           | 2011   | 4566               | 3332  | 86       | 20  |  |
| AHTS66           | 2007   | 2147               | 2485  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS67           | 2008   | 2147               | 2499  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS68           | 2008   | 2147               | 2306  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS69           | 2010   | 2147               | 2644  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS70           | 2008   | 2147               | 2467  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS71           | 2009   | 2147               | 2496  | 66       | 16  |  |
| AHTS72           | 2002   | 2327               | 2355  | 69       | 16  |  |
| AHTS73           | 2003   | 2332               | 2162  | 69       | 16  |  |
| AHTS74           | 2002   | 1864               | 2116  | 64       | 15  |  |
| AHTS75           | 2002   | 1864               | 2000  | 64       | 15  |  |
| AHTS76           | 2011   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS77           | 2011   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS78           | 2010   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS79           | 2010   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS80           | 2009   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS81           | 2010   | 7473               | 4250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS82           | 2010   | 7558               | 5250  | 91       | 22  |  |
| AHTS83           | 2016   | 5733               | 3700  | 87       | 20  |  |
| AHTS84           | 2009   | 5993               | 5190  | 106      | 22  |  |
| AHTS85           | 2009   | 6455               | 3866  | 92       | 22  |  |
| AHTS86           | 2011   | 2744               | 2488  | 70       | 17  |  |
| AHTS87           | 2009   | 1951               | 1700  | 68       | 15  |  |
| AHTS88           | 2010   | 2952               | 2193  | 75       | 17  |  |
| AHTS89           | 2011   | 2763               | 2525  | 70       | 17  |  |
| AHTS90           | 1999   | 2590               | 2854  | 74       | 17  |  |
| AHTS91           | 2003   | 2263               | 1890  | 67       | 16  |  |
| AHTS92           | 2011   | 8360               | 4800  | 95       | 24  |  |
| AHTS93           | 2011   | 8360               | 4800  | 95       | 24  |  |
| AHTS94           | 2007   | 5733               | 4229  | 86       | 22  |  |
| AHTS95           | 2007   | 6335               | 5172  | 93       | 22  |  |

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|------------------------------------------|------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Num.                                     | Year | GT<br>[ton] | dwt<br>[ton] | $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Length} \\ \mathbf{[m]} \end{array}$ | $\mathbf{Width}$ [m] |  |
| Avg.                                     | 2010 | 5149        | 3498         | 82                                                             | 20                   |  |

# Appendix B

# Installed power as function of GT



Figure B.1: Installed power as function of gt.

Source: [Erikstad and Levander, 2012]

# Appendix C

# Historical NOx taxes from 2018 to 2022

Table C.1: Historical NOx taxes from Skatteetaten [2022].

| Year | $\mathbf{Tax} \; [\mathrm{NOK}/\mathrm{kg} \; \mathrm{NOx}]$ |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2018 | 21.94                                                        |
| 2019 | 22.27                                                        |
| 2020 | 22.69                                                        |
| 2021 | 23.48                                                        |
| 2022 | 23.79                                                        |



Figure C.1: Development of NOx tax prices from 2018 to 2022.

## Appendix D

# Analysis of operational profiles

|       | DP<br>[%] | Standby<br>[%] | Transit<br>[%] | Towing<br>[%] | <b>AH</b><br>[%] |
|-------|-----------|----------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| OCV1  | 33        | 22             | 9              | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV2  | 53        | 2              | 24             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV3  | 91        | 0              | 9              | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV4  | 39        | 2              | 31             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV5  | 42        | 11             | 19             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV6  | 21        | 22             | 35             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV7  | 57        | 7              | 11             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV8  | 22        | 10             | 27             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV9  | 45        | 18             | 16             | N/A           | N/A              |
| OCV10 | 52        | 12             | 12             | N/A           | N/A              |
| Avg.  | 46        | 11             | 19             | N/A           | N/A              |
| Std.  | <b>20</b> | 8              | 9              | $\dot{N/A}$   | Ň/A              |
| PSV1  | 20        | 24             | 37             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV2  | 8         | 33             | 21             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV3  | 22        | 30             | 14             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV4  | 12        | 38             | 21             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV5  | 26        | 24             | 20             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV6  | 18        | 38             | 31             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV7  | 20        | 26             | 34             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV8  | 21        | 34             | 20             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV9  | 10        | 46             | 21             | N/A           | N/A              |
| PSV10 | 26        | 21             | 28             | N/A           | N/A              |
| Avg.  | 18        | 31             | 25             | N/A           | N/A              |
| Std.  | 6         | 8              | 7              | N/A           | N/A              |
| AHTS1 | 8         | 30             | 19             | 1             | 9                |
| AHTS2 | 4         | 13             | 15             | 1             | 14               |
| AHTS3 | 10        | 10             | 20             | 2             | 6                |
| AHTS4 | 4         | 39             | 19             | 6             | 5                |
| AHTS5 | 8         | 32             | 13             | 11            | 7                |
| AHTS6 | 14        | 33             | 24             | 0             | 7                |
| AHTS7 | 12        | 41             | 23             | 2             | 3                |
| AHTS8 | 9         | 41             | 17             | 2             | 11               |
| AHTS9 | 28        | 24             | 19             | 8             | 9                |

Table D.1: Analysis of time spent in different operational modes from MARESS [Solstad Offshore, 2022].



Figure D.1: Annual operational profile OSVs with time in port.

# Appendix E

# Analysis of specific fuel consumption

Table E.1: SFC for 15 arbitrary OCVs from MARESS, data from 2020 to 2022 Solstad Offshore [2022].

| Vessel num. | $\mathbf{DP}$ $[ton/day]$ | $\begin{array}{c} {\bf Standby} \\ [ton/day] \end{array}$ | $\frac{\text{Transit (11 kn)}}{[\text{ton/day}]}$ |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| OCV1        | 16.21                     | 14.34                                                     | 34.48                                             |
| OCV2        | 11.69                     | 8.55                                                      | 19.19                                             |
| OCV3        | 8.47                      | 7.77                                                      | 24.03                                             |
| OCV4        | 16.01                     | 9.29                                                      | 34.07                                             |
| OCV5        | 22.13                     | 10.61                                                     | 27.37                                             |
| OCV6        | 12.82                     | 9.43                                                      | 19.57                                             |
| OCV7        | 15.64                     | 14.11                                                     | 20.48                                             |
| OCV8        | 10.39                     | 7.97                                                      | 19.68                                             |
| OCV9        | 14.27                     | 12.40                                                     | 38.07                                             |
| OCV10       | 7.93                      | 6.09                                                      | 15.95                                             |
| OCV11       | 6.86                      | 5.31                                                      | 15.16                                             |
| OCV12       | 9.39                      | 7.15                                                      | 21.12                                             |
| OCV13       | 11.81                     | 11.42                                                     | 17.00                                             |
| OCV14       | 7.15                      | 7.42                                                      | 9.69                                              |
| OCV15       | 9.56                      | 6.86                                                      | 16.00                                             |

| <b>X</b> 7 <b>1</b> | DP        | Standby   | Transit (11 kn) |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| vessei num.         | [ton/day] | [ton/day] | [ton/day]       |
| PSV1                | 7.99      | 4.28      | 12.23           |
| PSV2                | 5.41      | 3.70      | 11.06           |
| PSV3                | 5.75      | 3.41      | 12.02           |
| PSV4                | 8.00      | 5.01      | 12.25           |
| PSV5                | 5.74      | 3.90      | 8.96            |
| PSV6                | 5.74      | 3.57      | 9.60            |
| PSV7                | 6.09      | 4.23      | 10.42           |
| PSV8                | 6.35      | 4.90      | 11.17           |
| PSV9                | 5.50      | 3.69      | 8.08            |
| PSV10               | 6.64      | 3.65      | 8.82            |
| PSV11               | 7.49      | 3.20      | 13.81           |
| PSV12               | 5.67      | 3.68      | 11.32           |
| PSV13               | 4.77      | 3.47      | 10.85           |
| PSV14               | 5.96      | 4.68      | 10.94           |
| PSV15               | 6.43      | 4.63      | 10.48           |
| PSV16               | 7.27      | 5.03      | 14.02           |
| PSV17               | 5.63      | 3.85      | 10.77           |

Table E.2: SFC for 17 arbitrary PSVs from MARESS, data from 2020 to 2022 Solstad Offshore [2022].

Table E.3: SFC for 12 arbitrary AHTS vessels from MARESS, data from 2020 to 2022 Solstad Offshore [2022].

| Vessel num. | $\mathbf{DP}$ $[ton/day]$ | $\begin{array}{c} {\bf Standby} \\ [ton/day] \end{array}$ | $\frac{\text{Transit (11 kn)}}{[\text{ton/day}]}$ | <b>Towing</b> [ton/day] | $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{AH} \\ [\mathrm{ton}/\mathrm{day}] \end{array}$ |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AHTS1       | 9.91                      | 6.62                                                      | 25.58                                             | 28.78                   | 16.89                                                                     |
| AHTS2       | 11.00                     | 8.38                                                      | 26.31                                             | 44.99                   | 17.85                                                                     |
| AHTS3       | 14.95                     | 8.06                                                      | 24.18                                             | 20.17                   | 20.38                                                                     |
| AHTS4       | 18.65                     | 5.95                                                      | 20.90                                             | 39.38                   | 22.10                                                                     |
| AHTS5       | 10.51                     | 4.47                                                      | 19.98                                             | 28.60                   | 17.07                                                                     |
| AHTS6       | 9.00                      | 4.80                                                      | 16.26                                             | 7.35                    | 17.66                                                                     |
| AHTS7       | 9.47                      | 4.69                                                      | 22.86                                             | 33.87                   | 21.60                                                                     |
| AHTS8       | 11.26                     | 5.32                                                      | 15.35                                             | 27.14                   | 16.26                                                                     |
| AHTS9       | 11.53                     | 6.34                                                      | 22.56                                             | 17.91                   | 21.37                                                                     |
| AHTS10      | 15.26                     | 6.53                                                      | 14.08                                             | 14.57                   | 17.59                                                                     |
| AHTS11      | 14.89                     | 7.87                                                      | 18.05                                             | 16.92                   | 23.63                                                                     |
| AHTS12      | 10.65                     | 6.91                                                      | 25.27                                             | 26.60                   | 17.84                                                                     |

# Appendix F

# Analysis of tank sizes

| Vessel num.            | Tanksize [m3] |
|------------------------|---------------|
| OCV1                   | 1850          |
| OCV2                   | 3520          |
| OCV3                   | 2400          |
| OCV4                   | 1650          |
| OCV5                   | 1450          |
| OCV6                   | 2701          |
| OCV7                   | 3278          |
| OCV8                   | 1864          |
| OCV9                   | 2400          |
| OCV10                  | 1110          |
| OCV11                  | 1210          |
| Avg.                   | 2130          |
| PSV1                   | 1134          |
| PSV2                   | 1331          |
| PSV3                   | 1675          |
| PSV4                   | 877           |
| PSV5                   | 902           |
| PSV6                   | 1100          |
| PSV7                   | 897           |
| PSV8                   | 1098          |
| PSV9                   | 1400          |
| PSV10                  | 1300          |
| PSV11                  | 1076          |
| Avg.                   | 1163          |
| AHTS1                  | 1994          |
| AHTS2                  | 2006          |
| AHTS3                  | 1200          |
| AHTS4                  | 1210          |
| AHTS5                  | 1076          |
| AHTS6                  | 957           |
| AHTS7                  | 1213          |
| AHTS8                  | 985           |
| AHTS9                  | 957           |
| AHTS10                 | 998           |
| AHTS11                 | 1152          |
| Continued on next page |               |

Table F.1: Analysis of tank sizes.
| Vessel num. | Tanksize [m3] |
|-------------|---------------|
| Avg.        | 1250          |

## Appendix G

## Hydrogen storage characteristics from the industry

Table G.1: 40 ft container hydrogen storage characteristics from the industry [UMOE Advanced Composites, 2022] [Hexagon Purus, 2021].

| Pressure | Total Storage | Storage       | ${ m Molar}$     |
|----------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| [Bar]    | Volume [m3]   | Capacity [kg] | Volume [kmol/m3] |
|          |               | UMOE          |                  |
| 200      | 30.6          | 457           | 7.41             |
| 250      | 30.6          | 555           | 9.00             |
| 300      | 30.6          | 647           | 10.5             |
| 350      | 30.6          | 734           | 11.9             |
|          | He            | exagon Purus  |                  |
| 300      | 39.9          | 847           | 10.5             |
| 318      | 39.9          | 889           | 11.1             |
| 381      | 39.9          | 1029          | 12.8             |

## Appendix H

## **Resistance** plots



Figure H.1: Resistance as function of vessel speed.



Figure H.2: Power as function of vessel speed.

## Appendix I

# Python functions to analyze AIS data

#### I.1 Open database and clean data

```
# ====
1
2
   # Function that opens the database containing the AIS data. Input is the name of
з
   \rightarrow the database and the name of the vessel. Dutput is the data of the chosen
   \rightarrow vessel as a panda dataframe (df).
  def readDatabase(dbName, vesselIn=None):
5
       # Connect to database
6
       dbPath = './Database/' # The database has to be stored in
7
       # C:\Users\andre\OneDrive { NTNU\9. semester\projectThesis\Database!
8
9
       con = sqlite3.connect(dbPath + dbName)
       cur = con.cursor()
10
11
       # Check table names in db
12
       cur.execute('SELECT name from sqlite_master where type= "table"')
13
       vessels = cur.fetchall()
14
       print('There are ' + str(len(vessels)) + ' unique vessels in the database:')
15
       for vessel in vessels:
16
           v = functools.reduce(operator.add, vessel)
17
           print(' - ' + v)
18
                             -----')
       print('-----
19
20
       if vesselIn == None:
21
           # Ask user for which vessel to create heatmap from
22
           choice = selectVessel(vessels) # Own function that asks user for input
23
           choice = functools.reduce(operator.add, choice)
^{24}
25
       else:
           choice = vesselIn # Possible to use MMSi number as input if desirable
26
       print('\n- You choosed: ' + str(choice))
27
28
       # Read data from selected table into a pandas dataframe
29
       string = 'SELECT * FROM ' + choice
30
       df = pd.read_sql(string, con)
^{31}
       print('\n- Size of dataframe: ' + str(df.shape) + '\n')
32
```

33

```
# Changing the dtype from "object" to "datetime64"
34
       df['dt'] = pd.to_datetime(df['dt'])
35
36
       # Clean data: Lat and Lon values must be between -90 and 90, and -180 and
37
       \leftrightarrow 180.
       rows1 = df.shape[0]
38
       df.drop(df.index[df['lat'] <= -90.0 + 0.25], inplace=True) # 0.25:
39
       \leftrightarrow isOnLand() function is searching an area of +/-
       df.drop(df.index[df['lat'] >= 90.0 - 0.25], inplace=True)
                                                                     # 0.25 lat/lon
40
       \leftrightarrow around each input point!
       df.drop(df.index[df['lon'] <= -180.0 + 0.25], inplace=True)</pre>
41
       df.drop(df.index[df['lon'] >= 180.0 - 0.25], inplace=True)
42
43
       df.dropna() # Deleting possible rows with zero data
44
       df.drop_duplicates() # Deleting possible duplicate rows
45
46
       rows2 = df.shape[0]
47
       print('- Number of rows neglected: ' + str(rows1 - rows2) +
48
             ' (duplicates, zero-values, lat: [-90, 90], lon: [-180, 180])')
49
50
       del df['index'] # Remove the extra index column
51
       df.sort_values(by='dt', inplace=True) # have to be sure that the data is
52
       \hookrightarrow sorted by date
       df.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True) # Reset the indexes
53
54
       return df, choice
55
56
   # _____
```

#### I.2 Speed profile

```
# _____
1
2
  # Function that will take in a list of dataframes (each dataframe represents one
3
   \rightarrow route) and give a new updated
 # list of dataframes as output. The updated list of dataframes is the same as
4
   \rightarrow input, but with extra columns added,
5 # speed, distance and deltaT.
 def addSpeedDistanceColumn(listDFin):
6
      listDFout = list() # create an empty list for output
7
      for dfi in listDFin: # loop through all dataframes in the input list of
9
       \rightarrow dataframes
10
          d_vec = np.zeros(len(dfi.lat) - 1)
                                                # preallocate vector to store
11
          \leftrightarrow distances for each dataframe (route)
12
          dt_vec = [None] * (len(dfi.lat) - 1) # preallocate vector to store time
          → between two data points
          for i in range(len(dfi.lat) - 1): # Loop through all data points in the
13
           \rightarrow dataframe (Route), except the last one
              coord1 = dfi.lat[i], dfi.lon[i]
14
              coord2 = dfi.lat[i + 1], dfi.lon[i + 1]
15
```

16

```
# Calculate distance between data points in meters
17
               d_vec[i] = distance(coord1, coord2).m
18
19
               # Calculate time between data points
20
               deltaT = dfi.dt[i + 1] - dfi.dt[i]
^{21}
               dt_vec[i] = deltaT.total_seconds() # [s]
^{22}
23
           # Now we have two vectors with distance and time between the points
^{24}
           # then we can calculate the speed profile. Distance in meters and time
^{25}
           \rightarrow in
           # seconds.
26
           v_vec = np.zeros(len(dfi.lat) - 1)
                                                    # preallocate vector to store
27
            \hookrightarrow speed as kn
           dt_vec_h = np.zeros(len(dfi.lat) - 1) # preallocate vector to store
^{28}
           \leftrightarrow time step as hours
           d_vec_nm = np.zeros(len(dfi.lat) - 1) # preallocate vector to store
29
           \leftrightarrow distances in nm
           for i in range(len(dt_vec)):
30
               a = d_vec[i] / 1852
                                          # [nm]
31
               b = dt_vec[i] / 60 / 60 # [h]
32
               dt_vec_h[i] = b
33
               d_vec_nm[i] = a
34
               v = a / b
35
               v_vec[i] = v
36
37
           v_vec = np.append(v_vec, 0)
38
           d_vec_nm = np.append(d_vec_nm, 0)
39
           dt_vec_h = np.append(dt_vec_h, 0)
40
41
           # Adding the new data as new columns in the dataframe
42
           dfi['Speed'] = v_vec # [kn] Adding the calculated speeds to the
43
           \rightarrow new output dataframe as new column
           dfi['Distance'] = d_vec_nm # [nm] Adding the distance to the new output
44
           \hookrightarrow dataframe as a new column
           dfi['deltaT'] = dt_vec_h # [h] Adding the time between each datapoint
45
           \rightarrow into the dataframe as new column
46
           # Adding the new dataframe to the output list of dataframes
47
           listDFout.append(dfi)
^{48}
49
       return listDFout
50
51
   # ______
52
```

#### I.3 Clean data

```
5 # rows with speeds larger than 25 kn and lower than 0 kn. After rows are
6 # neglected it will use another function, 'removeLargeTimeIntervals(dfi)',
   \hookrightarrow which
\tau # loops through the dataframe again to see if it has intervals larger than
   ⊶ 36000
  # seconds (10 h). If large time intervals are found, the output will be:
  # removeDataframe=True, False otherwise. When removeDataframe=True, the
9
10 # dataframe will be neglected and will not be used further in the analysis. A
11 # new dataframe will be created, (routeLenDF), this will contain the route
  # number, length of the route, mean speed of the vessel on this route and the
12
  # duration of the route as both a string and in seconds. In addition to this
13
14 # the function will have some additional outputs:
       - numRoutes: Number of routes identified in AIS data set after cleanup is
15
  #
         finished.
16
   #
   #
       - numRowsNeglectedSpeed: Number of rows neglected from the dataset because
17
         of unrealistic speeds.
  #
18
      - numRoutesNeglectedTime: Number of routes neglected due to large time
  #
19
         intervals within the routes.
  #
20
       - listDFOut: Updated list of DF where large time intervals and unnatural
21
  #
  #
         speeds are neglected.
22
   def cleanSpeedDataframe(listDFspeed):
^{23}
       listSizeStart = len(listDFspeed)
^{24}
       print('- Size of listDF before speed- and time interval cleaning: ' +
^{25}
       \rightarrow str(listSizeStart))
       listDFout = list()
^{26}
27
       # Dataframe to store the lengths of the different routes
^{28}
       routeLenDF = pd.DataFrame(
^{29}
           columns=['route', 'length', 'meanSpeed', 'routeDuration',
30
            → 'routeDuration_s'])
31
       # route:
                         [int]
32
       # length:
                         [nautical miles]
33
       # meanSpeed:
                        [knots]
34
       # RouteDuration: [hours]
35
36
       numRowsSpeed = 0
37
       dfWithHighSpeed = 0
38
       for dfi in listDFspeed:
39
           # Find the route number for dataframe dfi
40
           routeNum = dfi.Route[0]
41
           numRowsBeforeSpeed = len(dfi)
42
           dfi = dfi[dfi.Speed < 25] # Remove rows with speed values larger than
^{43}
            \leftrightarrow 25 kn
           dfi = dfi[dfi.Speed >= 0] # Remove rows with speed values lower than 0
44
            \hookrightarrow kn
           numRowsAfterSpeed = len(dfi)
45
           rowsNeglected = (numRowsBeforeSpeed - numRowsAfterSpeed)
46
           if rowsNeglected > 0:
47
               dfWithHighSpeed += 1
48
           numRowsSpeed = numRowsSpeed + rowsNeglected # Check how many rows
49
            \rightarrow neglected because of speed
50
           # Have to check the new time intervals, if they are too big the route is
51
            \rightarrow neglected
           removeDataframe = removeLargeTimeIntervals(dfi)
52
53
```

```
# Calculate the duration of each route
54
           startTime = dfi['dt'].iloc[0]
                                            # time
55
           endTime = dfi['dt'].iloc[-1]
56
           routeDuration = endTime - startTime
57
           totSeconds = routeDuration.total_seconds()
58
           days = routeDuration.days
59
           seconds = routeDuration.seconds
60
           hours = seconds//3600
61
           routeDurationString = str(days) + ' days, ' + str(hours) + ' hours'
62
63
           if removeDataframe == False:
64
               # Store route in a dataframe
65
               routeLenDF = routeLenDF.append({'route': routeNum, 'length':
66

→ dfi['Distance'].sum(),

                                                 'meanSpeed': dfi.Speed[:-1].mean(),
67
                                                    'routeDuration':
                                                 \hookrightarrow
                                                 → routeDurationString,
                                                'routeDuration_s': totSeconds},
68
                                                 \rightarrow ignore_index=True)
69
               dfi.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True) # Need to reset the index
70
               \rightarrow for the dataframe
71
               # Adding the new dataframe to the output list of dataframes
72
               listDFout.append(dfi)
73
74
       # Sort the dataframe with the largest routes on top
75
       numRoutes = len(routeLenDF)
76
       listSizeEnd = len(listDFout)
77
       if numRoutes > 0:
78
           routeLenDF = routeLenDF.nlargest(numRoutes, 'length')
79
           print('- The speed cleanup [0kn, 20kn] neglected ' + str(numRowsSpeed) +
80
           \rightarrow 'row(s), from a total of '
                 + str(listSizeStart) + ' different routes.')
81
           print('- The time interval cleanup neglected ' + str(listSizeStart -
82
           → listSizeEnd) + ' route(s).')
       else:
83
           print('- All routes neglected in speed- and time interval cleanup! No
84
           → more routes to investigate!')
85
       numRoutesNeglectedTime = listSizeStart - listSizeEnd # Number of rows
86
       \hookrightarrow neglected because of too large time interval between datapoints
87
      routeLenDF.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True) # Need to reset the index
       \hookrightarrow for each dataframe
89
      return listDFout, routeLenDF, numRoutes, numRowsSpeed,
90
       \rightarrow numRoutesNeglectedTime
91
  92
```

#### I.4 Remove large time intervals

```
# _____
1
2
  # Function that will take in a sorted dataframe containing a route and check if
3
  # the data points does not have too large intervals between them. If dataframe
4
  # has points with more than 10 hours between --> removeDataframe = True
5
  def removeLargeTimeIntervals(routeDF):
6
     removeDataframe = False
7
     s = routeDF['dt'].diff().apply(lambda x: x/np.timedelta64(1,
     → 's')).fillna(0).astype('int64')
     if (s > 43200).any(): # 6 hours = 21600 seconds, 10 hours = 36000, 24 hours
9
     \rightarrow = 86400, 48 hours = 172800
        removeDataframe = True
10
11
     return removeDataframe
12
 13
```

#### I.5 Classification of data points

```
1
  # ______
2
  # Function that will take in the AIS data and evaluate all points and classify
3
  # them into two categories: offshore and nearshore points.
4
  def classifyPoints(df):
5
      offshoreMat = [] # the first zero-row is deleted after for-loop!
6
      nearshoreMat = [] # the first zero-row is deleted after for-loop!
\overline{7}
      classify = []
8
9
      # Loop through dataframe and check every point if it is nearshore or
10
      \hookrightarrow offshore
      for row in df.itertuples():
11
          lat = getattr(row, 'lat')
12
          lon = getattr(row, 'lon')
13
14
          if isOnLand(lat, lon): # See function isOnLand()
15
              nearshoreMat.append([lat, lon])
16
              classify.append("Nearshore")
17
          else:
^{18}
              offshoreMat.append([lat, lon])
19
              classify.append("Offshore")
20
21
      # Adding the information of the point in the original dataframe
^{22}
      df['Class'] = classify
23
      nearshoreDF = pd.DataFrame(nearshoreMat, columns=['lat', 'lon'])
24
      offshoreDF = pd.DataFrame(offshoreMat, columns=['lat', 'lon'])
^{25}
26
27
      return df, nearshoreDF, offshoreDF
28
29
  # _____
30
```

#### **I.6** Identify nearshore points

```
# _____
1
2
3 # Function that takes in coordinates (lat, lon) and evaluates if a point is
  # nearshore or offshore. The nearshore distance is defined as a circle around
4
  # the original point with radius of 0.25 degrees. n is the number of points
5
  # on the circle to be checked. If one of the points on the circle is on land
6
  # the point will be defined as a nearshore point --> isNearShore = True
7
  def isOnLand(lat, lon, r=0.25, n=8):
8
      pMat = np.zeros((n, 2)) # col1 = Latitude, col2 = Longitude
      isNearShore = False
10
      dTheta = np.pi*2/n
11
      startTheta = 0
12
13
      # Create n points in circle with radius r around input point
14
      for i in range(n):
15
          pMat[i][0] = lat + np.sin(startTheta)*r # Lat
16
          pMat[i][1] = lon + np.cos(startTheta)*r # Lon
17
          if globe.is_land(pMat[i][0], pMat[i][1]): # Check every point in pMat
18
           \rightarrow if it is on land
              isNearShore = True
19
          startTheta += dTheta
20
21
      return isNearShore
^{22}
```

#### I.7 Establish routes

```
_____
1
2
  # Function that will loop through all rows in dataframe and identify the
3
  # different routes.
4
 def findRoutes(df):
5
      routesDF = pd.DataFrame(columns=['dt', 'lat', 'lon', 'Class', 'Route']) #
6
       \hookrightarrow Creating an empty dataframe to store the startpoints
7
      startPointVec = []
8
9
      numRoutes = 0
10
11
      for row in df[:-1].itertuples(): # Loops through the whole dataframe except
12
       \leftrightarrow the last point
13
           # When the iteration reach a nearshore point we want to find the route
14
           \leftrightarrow it travels until it
           # reaches a nearshore point again
15
16
           if row.Class == 'Nearshore' and df.loc[row.Index + 1, 'Class'] ==
           \rightarrow 'Offshore':
              numRoutes += 1 # Every time this is satisfied we get a new route
17
              startPointVec.append(row.Index) # Add the index for the startpoint
18
               \rightarrow into a vector
               countIndex = row.Index + 1 # Next point
19
```

```
nextPointClass = df.loc[countIndex, 'Class']
20
^{21}
               # Store route in a dataframe
22
               routesDF = routesDF.append({'dt': row.dt, 'lat': row.lat, 'lon':
23
               → row.lon, 'Class': row.Class, 'Route':
                   numRoutes}, ignore_index=True)
^{24}
25
               # Now we want to loop from the indexcount until we get a new
26
               \leftrightarrow nearshore point, this will be one route
               while nextPointClass == 'Offshore' and countIndex < len(df.index)-1:
27
                   routesDF = routesDF.append({'dt': df.loc[countIndex, 'dt'],
28
                      'lat': df.loc[countIndex, 'lat'], 'lon':
                       df.loc[countIndex, 'lon'], 'Class': df.loc[countIndex,
29
                       ignore_index=True)
30
31
                   countIndex += 1
32
                   nextPointClass = df.loc[countIndex, 'Class']
33
34
               routesDF = routesDF.append({'dt': df.loc[countIndex, 'dt'], 'lat':
35

    df.loc[countIndex, 'lat'], 'lon':

                   df.loc[countIndex, 'lon'], 'Class': df.loc[countIndex, 'Class'],
36
                   → 'Route': numRoutes}, ignore_index=True)
37
       # Create a dataframe for each route and store them in a list of dataframes
38
       listDF = list()
39
       grouped = routesDF.groupby(routesDF.Route)
40
       for i in (n+1 for n in range(numRoutes)): # i = 1,2,3 ... numRoutes
41
           dfIn = grouped.get_group(i)
42
           dfIn.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True) # Need to reset the index for
43
           \rightarrow each dataframe
           if len(dfIn) > 20: # Need more than 20 points to be called a route
44
^{45}
              listDF.append(dfIn)
46
       # Going through all dataframes to check that every route starts and stops
47
       \leftrightarrow with a nearshore point
      listDFout = list()
^{48}
       for dfi in listDF:
49
           if dfi['Class'].iloc[0] == 'Nearshore' and dfi['Class'].iloc[-1] ==
50
              'Nearshore':
               listDFout.append(dfi)
51
52
      return listDFout # List of dataframes with lat, lon, class and route
53
       \hookrightarrow classification
54
55
  # ______
56
```

#### I.8 Theoretical sailing distance

```
4 # vessel type, based on fuel type, transit speed and tank capacity.
   def sailingDistance(largestDist=1000, vesselType='OCV'):
5
       # Ask user for what plots he/she wants
7
       values = selectDistancePlots()
8
ç
       # Plotting colors
10
       colors = ['#00395C', '#024FAD', '#73C3F5', '#6E767A', '#0087DB', '#0069A8',
11
       → '#4D5763']
12
       # Getting the necessary information from csv-files.
13
       # These functions opens the different csv files.
14
       fuelMat = fuelParameters()
15
       transPowMat = transitPower()
16
       tanksizeMat = tankSize()
17
       loadProfileMat = loadProfiles()
18
       operationalProfilesMat = operationalProfiles()
19
20
       # Assume a efficiency of FuelCell and Diesel Engine
21
       effFuelCell = 0.5 # From Aarskog et al.
22
       effEngine = 0.37 # From Aarskog et al.
^{23}
^{24}
       # Use loss in energy due to storage of hydrogen
^{25}
       etalloss = 1.00
                           # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
26
       \rightarrow 1MPa
       eta10loss = 0.95
                             # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
27
       \rightarrow 1MPa
       eta100loss = 0.95
                           # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
^{28}
       \rightarrow 10MPa
       eta300loss = 0.90
                           # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
29
       → 30MPa
       eta400loss = 0.89
                           # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
30
       \rightarrow 40MPa
       eta700loss = 0.85
                            # [-] Loss in energy due to compressing hydrogen to
31
       \rightarrow 70MPa
                           # [-] Loss in energy due to storing hydrogen as liquid
       etaLiqloss = 0.70
32
33
       # Placement in 3D matrix:
34
       .....
35
       0. hydr_1bar
36
       1. hydr_10bar
37
       2. hydr_100bar
38
       3. hydr_300bar
39
       4. hydr_400bar
40
       5. hydr_700bar
41
       6. hydr_liq
42
       7. MDO
43
       .....
44
45
       numFuelTypes = len(fuelMat) # 8
46
       numSpeeds = len(transPowMat) # 6
47
48
       # Adding all matrices into 3D matrix
49
       distanceMat = np.zeros((numFuelTypes, numSpeeds, 3)) # 8 [6x3] matrices /
50
       \hookrightarrow Speed | Max Dist. OCV |
       # Max Dist. PSV | Max Dist. AHTS |
51
       tankSizes = [1, 2, 3]
52
```

```
for i in range(numFuelTypes): # Going through all fuel types
53
           for j in range(numSpeeds): # Going through all vessel speeds
54
                for k in tankSizes: # Going through vessel types
55
                    if i == 0: # hydr_1bar
56
                         distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
57
                         → fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta1loss *
                             transPowMat[j][0] * operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
58
                                     (transPowMat[j][k] * operationalProfilesMat[2][k]
59
                                     \hookrightarrow +
                                      loadProfileMat[1][k] *
60
                                      \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                      loadProfileMat[0][k] *
61
                                       \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                              60 * 60))
62
                    elif i == 1: # hydr_10bar
63
                         distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
64
                         → fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta10loss *
                                      transPowMat[j][0] *
65
                                      → operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                              (transPowMat[j][k] *
66
                                              \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[1][k] *
67
                                               \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[0][k] *
68
                                               \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                      60 * 60))
69
                    elif i == 2: # hydr_100bar
70
                         distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
71
                         → fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta100loss *
                                      transPowMat[j][0] *
72
                                       \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                              (transPowMat[j][k] *
73
                                              \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[1][k] *
74
                                               \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[0][k] *
75
                                               → operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                      60 * 60))
76
                    elif i == 3: # hydr_300bar
77
                         distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
78
                         → fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta300loss *
                                      transPowMat[j][0] *
79
                                       \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                              (transPowMat[j][k] *
80
                                              \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[1][k] *
81
                                               \hookrightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                               loadProfileMat[0][k] *
82
                                               → operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                      60 * 60))
83
                    elif i == 4: # hydr_400bar
84
                         distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
85

→ fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta400loss *

                                      transPowMat[j][0] *
86
                                      \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
87
                                              (transPowMat[j][k] *
                                              \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
```

```
loadProfileMat[1][k] *
88
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                             loadProfileMat[0][k] *
89
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                    60 * 60))
90
                    elif i == 5: # hydr_700bar
91
                        distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
92
                        \hookrightarrow fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * eta700loss *
                                    transPowMat[j][0] *
93
                                     \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                            (transPowMat[j][k] *
94
                                            \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                            loadProfileMat[1][k] *
95
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                             loadProfileMat[0][k] *
96
                                             → operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                    60 * 60))
97
                    elif i == 6: # hydr_liquid
98
                        distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
99
                        → fuelMat[i][1] * effFuelCell * etaLiqloss *
                                    transPowMat[j][0] *
100
                                     \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                            (transPowMat[j][k] *
101
                                            \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                            loadProfileMat[1][k] *
102
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                             loadProfileMat[0][k] *
103
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                    60 * 60))
104
                    else: # MDO_diesel
105
                        distanceMat[i, j, k - 1] = (tanksizeMat[0][k] *
106
                        → fuelMat[i][1] * effEngine *
                                    transPowMat[j][0] *
107
                                     \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k]) / (
                                            (transPowMat[j][k] *
108
                                            \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[2][k] +
                                            loadProfileMat[1][k] *
109
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[1][k] +
                                             loadProfileMat[0][k] *
110
                                             \rightarrow operationalProfilesMat[0][k]) * (
                                                    60 * 60))
111
112
       return distanceMat
113
114
     115
116
   # Function that gets all necessary information about different vessel fuels from
117
    \hookrightarrow csv-files
   def fuelParameters():
118
       # The source for these values is Aarskog et al. and own calculations
119
120
       # Read data from CSV file
121
       dfFuel = pd.read_csv('fuelParameters.csv')
122
       fuelMat = dfFuel.to_numpy() # / fueltype / MJ/m3 /
123
       return fuelMat
124
125
   126
```

127

```
# Function that collects all necessary information about the transit power
128
    → consumption for all vessel types
   def transitPower():
129
       # The resistance is calculated by using the mean of Holtrop-, Hollenbach-
130
        \leftrightarrow and Guldhammer method in combination
       # with values from background study
131
132
       # Read data from CSV file
133
       dfTransitPower = pd.read_csv('transitPower.csv')
134
       transPowMat = dfTransitPower.to_numpy() # / Speed [kn] / OCV [MW] / PSV
135
        \hookrightarrow [MW] | AHTS [MW] |
136
137
       return transPowMat
138
     _____
   #
139
140
   # Function that collects the load profiles of each vessel type from csv files
141
   def loadProfiles():
142
       # The source for the values in the csv files are gathered from an analysis
143
        \leftrightarrow in the MARESS database from
       # Solstad Offshore
144
145
       # Read data from CSV file, DCV
146
       dfLoadProfile = pd.read_csv('loadProfile.csv')
147
       loadProfileMat = dfLoadProfile.to_numpy() # | Mode | Power OCV [MW] | Power
148
        \rightarrow PSV [%] | Power AHTS [%] |
149
       return loadProfileMat
150
151
   # ------
152
   # Function that gets all necessary information about the operational profiles
153
    \rightarrow for the different vessel types
   # from csv-files
154
   def operationalProfiles():
155
       # The source for the values in the csv files are gathered from an analysis
156
        \leftrightarrow in the MARESS database from
       # Solstad Offshore
157
158
       # Read data from CSV file
159
       dfOperationalProfiles = pd.read_csv('operationalProfile.csv')
160
       operationalProfilesMat = dfOperationalProfiles.to_numpy() # / Mode / OCV
161
        → Time [%] | PSV Time [%] | AHTS Time [%] |
       return operationalProfilesMat
162
163
   164
165
   # Function that takes in the fueltank sizes of the different vessel types
166
   def tankSize():
167
168
       # Read data from CSV file
169
       dfTanksize = pd.read_csv('tankSizes.csv')
170
       tanksizeMat = dfTanksize.to_numpy() # / Index / OCV [m3] / PSV [m3] / AHTS
171
        \leftrightarrow [m3] |
       return tanksizeMat
172
```

## Appendix J

## Input files for calculating theoretical sailing distance

#### J.1 fuelParameters.csv

| Fueltype        | $MJ/m^3$ |
|-----------------|----------|
| Hydrogen,1bar   | 9.3      |
| Hydrogen,10bar  | 91.7     |
| Hydrogen,100bar | 871      |
| Hydrogen,300bar | 2340     |
| Hydrogen,400bar | 2970     |
| Hydrogen700bar  | 4540     |
| Hydrogen,liquid | 8000     |
| MDO             | 36100    |

| Table J.1: Fuel parameters u | used to | calculate | $D_{max}$ |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
|------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|

#### J.2 transitPower.csv

| $\mathbf{Speed} \ [\mathrm{kn}]$ | $\mathbf{OCV}\;[\mathrm{MW}]$ | $\mathbf{PSV}\;[\mathrm{MW}]$ | $\mathbf{AHTS}\;[\mathrm{MW}]$ |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 5                                | 0.4                           | 0.19                          | 0.36                           |
| 7                                | 1.1                           | 0.49                          | 0.93                           |
| 9                                | 2.2                           | 1.0                           | 2.0                            |
| 11                               | 4.0                           | 2.0                           | 3.8                            |
| 13                               | 6.8                           | 3.9                           | 7.3                            |
| 15                               | 11                            | 8                             | 15                             |

Table J.2: Transit power for calculating  $D_{max}$ .

#### J.3 loadProfile.csv

\_

| Mode    | $\mathbf{Power} \ \mathbf{OCV} \ [\mathrm{MW}]$ | Power PSV $[MW]$ | $\mathbf{Power} \ \mathbf{AHTS} \ [\mathrm{MW}]$ |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| DP      | 2.3                                             | 1.1              | 2.2                                              |
| Standby | 1.7                                             | 0.74             | 1.2                                              |
| Towing  | N/A                                             | N/A              | 4.7                                              |
| AH      | N/A                                             | N/A              | 3.5                                              |

Table J.3: Load profiles used for calculating  $D_{max}$ .

### J.4 operationalProfile.csv

Table J.4: Operational profiles used for calculating  $D_{max}$ .

| Mode    | OCV Time [-] | PSV Time [-] | AHTS Time [-] |
|---------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| DP      | 0.60         | 0.25         | 0.15          |
| Standby | 0.14         | 0.42         | 0.43          |
| Transit | 0.26         | 0.33         | 0.27          |
| Towing  | N/A          | N/A          | 0.05          |
| AH      | N/A          | N/A          | 0.11          |

### J.5 tanksizes.csv

| Table J.5: | Tank | sizes | $\operatorname{for}$ | calculating | $D_{max}$ . |
|------------|------|-------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|------------|------|-------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|

| ( | $\mathbf{DCV} \ [\mathrm{m}^3]$ | $\mathbf{PSV} \ [\mathrm{m}^3]$ | AHTS $[m^3]$ |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
|   | 2130                            | 1163                            | 1250         |

## Appendix K

## Speed profiles of database



Figure K.1: Total speed profiles for the different vessel types.

## Appendix L

# Theoretical sailing distances - fuel types



Figure L.1:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 7 kn.



Figure L.2:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 9 kn.



Figure L.3:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 11 kn.



Figure L.4:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 13 kn.



Figure L.5:  $D_{max}$  with transit speed of 15 kn.

## Appendix M

## Theoretical sailing distances transit speeds



Figure M.1:  $D_{max}$  as function of transit speed (1).



Figure M.2:  $D_{max}$  as function of transit speed (2).

## Appendix N

## AIS data coverage - Method 1

|               | OCV    | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS   |
|---------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| hydr. 1 bar   | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 10 bar  | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 100 bar | 3.0%   | 45.1%          | 12.6%  |
| hydr. 300 bar | 31.8%  | 80.3%          | 42.1%  |
| hydr. 400 bar | 39.4%  | 83.6%          | 54.7%  |
| hydr. 700 bar | 59.1%  | 91.0%          | 70.5%  |
| hydr. liq.    | 62.1%  | 95.1%          | 78.9%  |
| MDO           | 100.0% | 100.0%         | 100.0% |

Table N.1: Route coverage with transit speed of 7 kn.

Table N.2: Route coverage with transit speed of 9 kn.

|               | OCV    | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS   |
|---------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| hydr. 1 bar   | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 10 bar  | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 100 bar | 4.5%   | 46.7%          | 13.7%  |
| hydr. 300 bar | 34.8%  | 82.0%          | 43.2%  |
| hydr. 400 bar | 43.9%  | 84.4%          | 55.8%  |
| hydr. 700 bar | 59.1%  | 91.0%          | 70.5%  |
| hydr. liq.    | 71.2%  | 95.1%          | 78.9%  |
| MDO           | 100.0% | 100.0%         | 100.0% |

Table N.3: Route coverage with transit speed of 11 kn.

|               | OCV    | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS   |
|---------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| hydr. 1 bar   | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 10 bar  | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%   |
| hydr. 100 bar | 4.5%   | 39.3%          | 12.6%  |
| hydr. 300 bar | 34.8%  | 78.7%          | 38.9%  |
| hydr. 400 bar | 43.9%  | 82.8%          | 48.4%  |
| hydr. 700 bar | 59.1%  | 88.5%          | 68.4%  |
| hydr. liq.    | 71.2%  | 95.1%          | 74.7%  |
| MDO           | 100.0% | 100.0%         | 100.0% |

|               | OCV    | $\mathbf{PSV}$ | AHTS  |
|---------------|--------|----------------|-------|
| hydr. 1 bar   | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%  |
| hydr. 10 bar  | 0.0%   | 0.0%           | 0.0%  |
| hydr. 100 bar | 3.0%   | 24.6%          | 11.6% |
| hydr. 300 bar | 33.3%  | 71.3%          | 30.5% |
| hydr. 400 bar | 40.9%  | 78.7%          | 38.9% |
| hydr. 700 bar | 59.1%  | 84.4%          | 55.8% |
| hydr. liq.    | 66.7%  | 91.8%          | 70.5% |
| MDO           | 100.0% | 100.0%         | 98.9% |

Table N.4: Route coverage with transit speed of 13 kn.

## Appendix O

## AIS data coverage - Method 2



Figure O.1: Route coverage with transit speed of 11 knots and hydrogen at 100 bar, 300 bar and liquid.



Figure O.2: Route coverage with transit speed of 11 knots and hydrogen at 10, 400 and 700 bar.



