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Today's Topic: Learn to use the GREET Model for Emissions Life Cycle Analysis

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GREET[®] Model for Life Cycle Analysis of Greenhouse Gas Emissions



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The GREET[®] (Greenhouse gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy use in Technologies) model

- With DOE support, Argonne has been developing the GREET life-cycle analysis (LCA) model since 1995 with annual updates and expansions
- It is available for free download and use at greet.es.anl.gov
- ~50,000 registered users globally including automotive/energy industries and government agencies

GREET 1 model:

WELL TO PUMP



FUEL CYCLE (GREET 1 Series)

GREET includes a suite of models and tools

- GREET coverage
 - ✓ GREET1: fuel cycle (or WTW) model of vehicle technologies and transportation fuels
 - ✓ GREET2: vehicle manufacturing cycle model of vehicle technologies
- Modeling platform
 - ✓ Excel
 - ✓ .net
- **GREET** derivatives
 - ✓ ICAO-GREET by ANL, based on GREET1
 - ✓ China-GREET by ANL, with support of Aramco
 - ✓ CA-GREET by CARB, based on GREET1
 - ✓ AFLEET by ANL: alternative-fuel vehicles energy, emissions, and cost estimation
 - EverBatt by ANL: energy, emissions, and cost modeling of remanufacturing and recycling of **EV** batteries

GREET applications by agencies

lifornia Environmental Protection Agency CA-GREET3.0 built based on and uses data from ANL **Air Resources Board** GRFFT



Oregon Dept of Environ. Quality Clean Fuel Program

EPA RFS2 used GREET and other sources for LCA of fuel pathways; **GHG** regulations

NHTSA National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) fuel economy regulation



FAA and ICAO AFTF using GREET to evaluate aviation fuel



USDRIVE GREET was used for the US DRIVE Fuels Working Group Wellto-Wheels Report



LCA of renewable marine fuel options to meet IMO 2020 sulfur regulations for the DOT MARAD



USDA US Dept of Agriculture: ARS for carbon intensity of farming practices and management; ERS for food environmental footprints; Office of Chief Economist for bioenergy LCA



Government of Canada Environment and Climate Change Canada for its Clean

GREET sustainability metrics include energy use, criteria pollutants, greenhouse gases, and water consumption

Energy use	Air pollutants	Greenhouse gases	Water consumption
 Total energy: fossil energy and renewable energy Fossil energy: petroleum, natural gas, and coal Renewable energy: biomass, nuclear energy, hydro-power, wind power, and solar energy 	 VOC, CO, NOx, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, and SOx Estimated separately for total and urban (a subset of the total) emissions 	 CO₂, CH₄, N₂O black carbon, and albedo CO_{2e} of the five (with their global warming potentials) 	 Addressing water supply and demand (energy-water nexus)

GREET LCA functional units

- Per service unit (e.g., mile driven, ton-mile, passenger-mile)
- Per unit of output (e.g., million Btu, MJ, gasoline gallon equivalent)
- Per units of resource (e.g., per ton of biomass)



GREET covers many groups of energy systems



Global warming potentials (GWPs) of gases

- > Allows comparisons of relative global warming impacts of different gases
- > CO₂ is the reference gas with GWP=1
- ➤ GWP is mainly impacted by:
 - $\checkmark\,$ ability of gas to absorb energy
 - $\checkmark\,$ how long they stay in the atmosphere

GAS	GWP	Timeframe	Life in the atmosphere
CO ₂	1	All	~100s of years
CH ₄	30	100 years	~10-20 years
	85	20 Years	
N ₂ O	265	100 Years	~100 years

Greenhouse gases

- CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, black carbon, and albedo
- CO_{2e} with their global warming potentials

- Focusing on reducing CH₄ emissions to meet GHG emissions reduction targets* using GWP20 may require abrupt reduction in CO₂ after 20 years to maintain GHG emissions reduction rate
 - ✓ most GHG emissions targets are set based on GWP100
- \succ Reducing CO₂ from fossil sources will reduce associated CH₄ by default
 - \checkmark the opposite is not necessarily true



Example hydrogen production pathway: Reforming w/ and w/o CCS



Example hydrogen production pathway: water electrolysis



WTG GHG emissions of Key Hydrogen Production Pathways



COENERGY Argonne National Laboratory is a U.S. Department of Energy laboratory managed by UCkicago Argonne, LLC Ranges shown reflect potential variability in upstream methane leak rates, plant energy efficiency, and CO_2 capture rates. Baseline assumes 90% capture rate



Key parameters affecting WTG GHG emissions of SMR-Hydrogen production pathway

Grey Hydrogen (NG SMR)



Blue Hydrogen (NG SMR w/CCS)





BREAK FOR LIVE DEMO OF GREET





Other analysis capabilities within GREET include...

Hydrogen infrastructure emissions for diverse end uses

➤Baseline petroleum fuels

Biofuel production and use pathways

Electricity for battery electric vehicles





Infrastructure of gaseous hydrogen delivery: LCA perspective



Key factors for LCA results

- Feedstocks for H₂ production
- H₂ plant efficiency, co-products, and options for CCS
- H₂ transportation/distribution
- Compression/pre-cooling at fueling station



Infrastructure of liquid hydrogen delivery: LCA perspective



Key factors for LCA results

- Feedstocks for H₂ production
- H₂ plant efficiency, co-products and options for CCS
- H₂ liquefaction
- H₂ transportation/distribution
- Compression/pumping at fueling station



Life cycle of petroleum fuels

 GREET covers from petroleum recovery to fuel use (combustion) by including all energy inputs and emissions for each stage.



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GREET includes details of both biofuel feedstock and conversion







LCA of electricity and end use (plug-in electric vehicles, PEVs)



GREET includes all transportation subsectors for many fuels



- CNG/LNG
- Hydrogen



Globally, a fast growing sector with GHG reduction pressure. GREET includes

 Passenger and freight transportation of various alternative fuels blended with petroleum jet fuels

The sector is under pressure to reduce air emissions and GHG emissions. GREET includes

- Ocean and inland water transportation
- Baseline diesel and alternative marine fuels



Variability and uncertainty in LCA

- □ Technical variability of LCA results reflects
 - Variability of input data, which reflect variabilities in operations of a given facility, facility differences, regional differences, and temporal differences
 - Well defined scope of a LCA can help on data representation for targeted LCA for facilities, regions, or a given time period
 - > Key inputs with variability that influence hydrogen production LCA include:
 - Upstream methane leak rates
 - Plant level energy efficiency
 - Emissions intensity of energy supply for electricity
 - Source of heat for high-temperature electrolysis
 - Creation of co-products
- Uncertainties
 - Sensitivity analysis to show importance of input parameters to inform stakeholders
 - Scenario analysis to show LCA results of different futures
 - Transparency is key to inform stakeholders



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