



Weekly presentation SCM research

*11th presentation: Safety Stock
Placement in Supply Chain Design
(Graves and Willems 2003)*

Introduction

Traveling : *discovering the wonders of beautiful Japan and
japanese society*



Introduction

But also working on interesting SCM topics!

- *Installing the useful softwares and settling the working environment for computing*
- *Getting to know gurobi, python, latex*
- *Practicing with some tutorials on the internet*
- *Still need more time to master these tools*

Objective : *apply the Graves and Willems method for Supply Chain Configuration problem*

Introduction

Safety Stock Placement in Supply Chain Design(Graves and Willems ,2003)

Supply chain design decisions

- traditional(number/location/sizing of facilities, general logistics strategies)*
- product design(topology and key economics of the SC)*
- how to be reponsive to uncertainty and variability*

➤*Deployment of Inventory as Safety Stock for addressing demand uncertainty*

Where are the best places in the SC to position a SS; and how much is needed to protect the chain?

Summary



I/ Context

II/ Models definition

III/ Models formulation

IV/ An example from the heavy industry

I/ Context

Comparison of two approaches to optimizing SS levels in multi-echelon SC

Stochastic-service model

Guaranteed-service model

Network representation of the SC

Each stage is a candidate location for SS placement

Decentralized control

II/ Models definition

Stochastic-service model

Assumes the delivery or service time between stages can vary based on the material availability at the supplier stage

- *Each stage maintains a SS sufficient to meet its service level target*
- *Considering a stochastic delay in case the upstream suppliers do not meet demand demand request immediately from stock*

How to characterize replenishment times given that a stage might have multiple unreliable suppliers?

II/ Models definition

Guaranteed-service model

Assumes that each stage can quote a service time that it can always satisfy

- *Each supplier must hold enough inventory to always be able to satisfy the service-time commitment*
- *Demand is bounded*

How to determine the best choice of service-times within the SC that minimize the total SC inventory and meet the service requirements for the end-customer?

III/ Models formulation

Single-stage base-stock policy

Common underlying review period

Demand is stationary and independent, with mean demand per period μ and a standard deviation σ

III/ Models formulation

Stochastic-service model

Service level target: upper bound on the probability that a stage is out of stock in any period

for external customers, dictated by the market

for internal customers, decision variable

Replenishment time at stage j :

$$\tau_i = L_j + \max_{i:(i,j) \in A} \{\Delta_i\}$$

Worst case:
$$\tau_i = L_j + \max_{i:(i,j) \in A} \{\tau_i\}$$

III/ Models formulation

Stochastic-service model

- $2^N - 1$ combinations of suppliers that might be out of stock in any period

- we assume that at most one supplier will stock out per period (ref to Ettl et al.2000)

- Expected replenishment time at stage j :

$$E[\tau_j] = L_j + \sum_{i:(i,j) \in A} \pi_{ij} L_i$$

With π_{ij} the probability that in a period stage i is causing a stock-out at stage j

- Demand over replenishment time normally distributed

III/ Models formulation

Stochastic-service model

Expected on-hand inventory for stage j:

$$E[I_j] = \underbrace{k_j \sigma_j \sqrt{E[\tau_j]}}_{\text{Expected inventory level at stage } j} + \underbrace{\sigma_j \sqrt{E[\tau_j]} \int_{z=k_j}^{\infty} (z - k_j) \phi(z) dz}_{\text{expected number of shortages or backorders}}$$

Where:

- k_j : safety factor necessary to achieve the service level target
- $E[\tau_j]$: expected replenishment time
- $\phi()$: probability density function for a standard normal

III/ Models formulation

Guaranteed-service model

- *Same model used in Graves and Willems 2000*
- *Each stage will quote a delivery time to its downstream customers, who know that this commitment will be met with certainty*
- *$D_j(t)$: represents the maximum demand over t consecutive period*
- *Net replenishment time considered*

III/ Models formulation

Guaranteed-service model

- *Total cost of the safety stock in the supply chain :*

$$C^{gsm} = \sum_{j=1}^N C_j^s \sigma_j \sqrt{s_j^{in} + L_j + s_j^{out}}$$

- *With :*

$s_j^{in} + L_j + s_j^{out}$: *the net replenishment time*

IV/ Example

Heavy industry : *Bulldozer assembly and manufacturing*

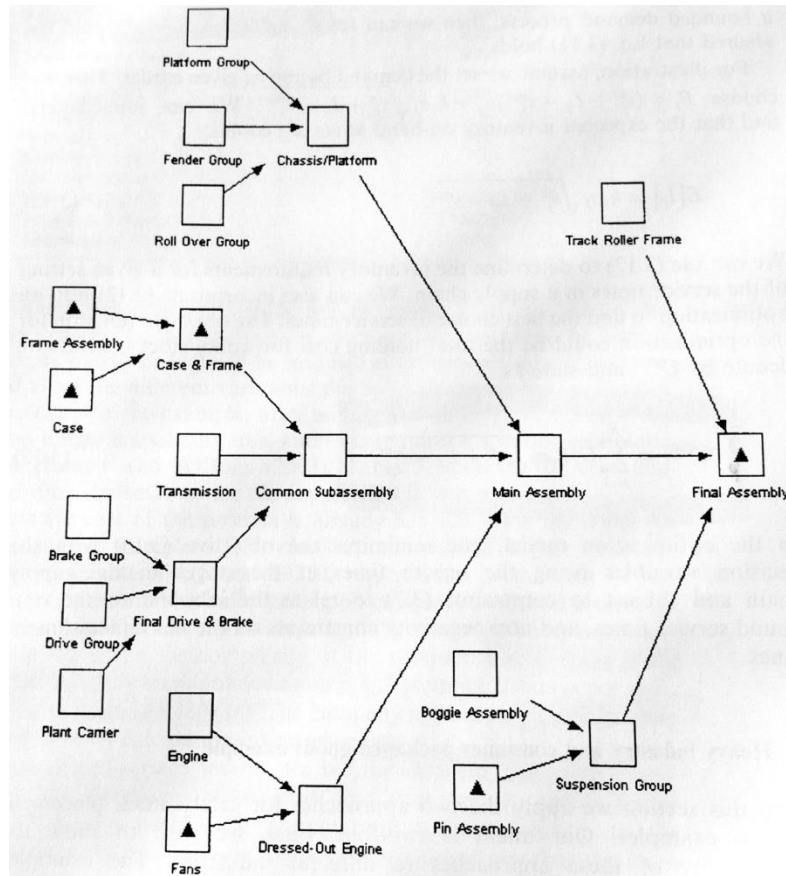


Fig. 1. Bulldozer Supply Chain Map.

IV/ Example

•*Total cost of a bulldozer*

\$72,600

•*Low lead-times*

•*Average daily demand*

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•*Standard deviation*

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•*COGS*

\$94,380,000

•*Annual holding rate*

30%

Table 1

Parameters for Bulldozer Supply Chain

Stage name	Nominal time	Stage cost (\$)
Boggie assembly	11	575
Brake group	8	3850
Case	15	2200
Case & frame	16	1500
Chassis/platform	7	4320
Common subassembly	5	8000
Dressed-out engine	10	4100
Drive group	9	1550
Engine	7	4500
Fans	12	650
Fender group	9	900
Final assembly	4	8000
Final drive & brake	6	3680
Frame assembly	19	605
Main assembly	8	12,000
Pin assembly	35	90
Plant carrier	9	155
Platform group	6	725
Roll over group	8	1150
Suspension group	7	3600
Track roller frame	10	3000
Transmission	15	7450

IV/ Example

Guaranteed-service model

- *Safety factor*

$$k = 1.645$$

- *Net replenishment time at final assembly*

28 days

- *Annual holding cost for SS*

\$633,000

- *Uneconomical to develop local decoupling points*

Table 2

Optimal Service Times and Safety Stock Costs under Guaranteed-Service Model

Stage name	Service time	Stage safety stock cost (\$)
Bogie assembly	11	0
Brake group	8	0
Case	0	12,614
Case & frame	15	6373
Chassis/platform	16	0
Common subassembly	20	0
Dressed-out engine	20	0
Drive group	9	0
Engine	7	0
Fans	10	1361
Fender group	9	0
Final assembly	0	607,969
Final drive & brake	15	0
Frame assembly	0	3904
Main assembly	28	0
Pin assembly	21	499
Plant carrier	9	0
Platform group	6	0
Roll over group	8	0
Suspension group	28	0
Track roller frame	10	0
Transmission	15	0

IV/ Example

Stochastic-service model

• *Service level set as a decision Variable*

• *Service levels lb for*
0.80 *for more than*
3 suppliers
0.68 *for one or two*
suppliers

• *Every stage carries SS*

• **12% more inventory cost**

Table 3

Nominal and Expected Lead-times for the Stochastic-Service Model

Stage name	Nominal lead-time	Service level (%)	Expected lead-time	Stage safety stock cost (\$)
Boggie assembly	11	68	11.00	1160
Brake group	8	80	8.00	9342
Case	15	68	15.00	5181
Case & frame	16	80	24.24	18,184
Chassis/platform	7	80	10.29	19,521
Common subassembly	5	80	10.29	79,764
Dressed-out engine	10	80	14.61	30,328
Drive group	9	80	9.00	3989
Engine	7	68	7.00	7240
Fans	12	68	12.00	1369
Fender group	9	80	9.00	2316
Final assembly	4	95	7.57	299,472
Final drive & brake	6	80	9.71	24,693
Frame assembly	19	68	19.00	1604
Main assembly	8	80	11.14	164,194
Pin assembly	35	68	35.00	324
Plant carrier	9	80	9.00	399
Platform group	6	80	6.00	1524
Roll over group	8	80	8.00	2791
Suspension group	7	80	18.15	15,589
Track roller frame	10	80	10.00	8139
Transmission	15	80	15.00	24,754

IV/ Example

Comparison

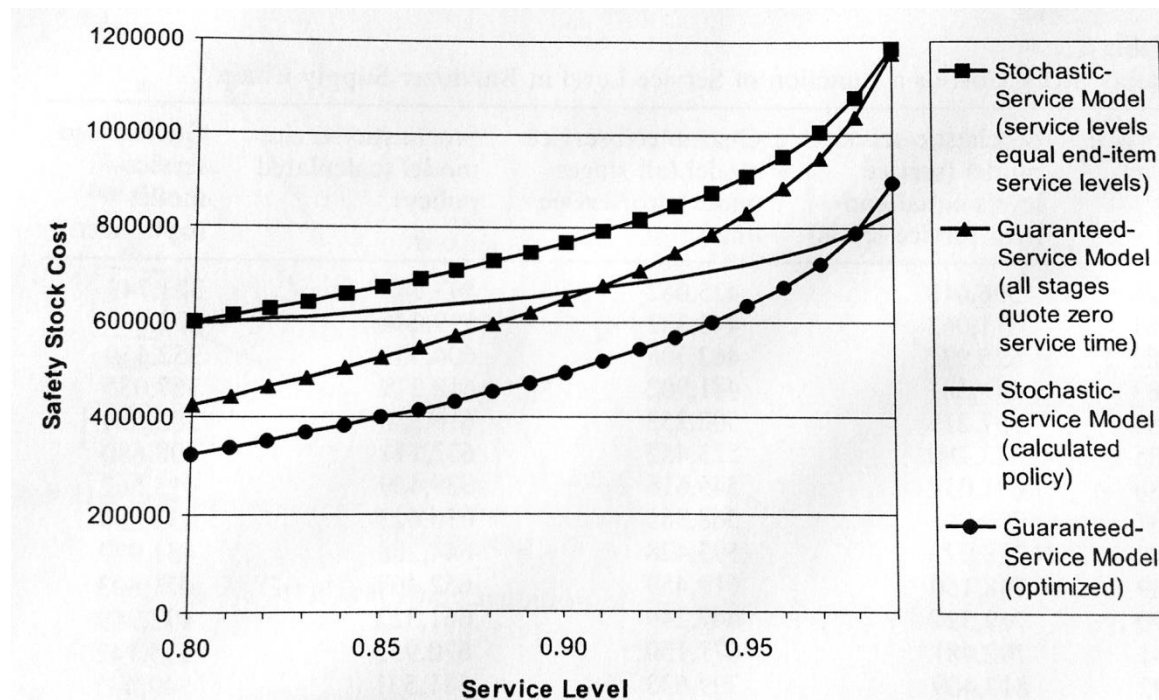


Fig. 2. Safety Stock Cost as a Function of Service Level in Bulldozer Supply Chain.

Next steps

- *Latex assignment*
- *Keep on doing tutorials on gurobi*
- *Trying to implement the Graves and Willems model*
- *Considering new readings (especially in the Supply Chain Design handbooks)*
 - *getting better knowledge on SCD and eventually focusing in the end on the SCC problem from Graves and Willems*



*Thank you for
your attention*