Data Collection and Analysis Task Scenario Development

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The process we used to develop "typical" flammable vapor wa incident scenarios made use of data from many sources.

- ADL collected and reviewed 167 detailed incident reports from sources and created a PC database file
- NFIRS data analyses: Heiden Associates performed numerous and sorts of this data, results received by ADL 1/9/93
- Interviews of people with knowledge of these incidents
- Published reports and studies from several sources

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The analysis of the detailed reports has provided insight into i which should be addressed in the experimental program.

- Activity was involved in 108 of the 167 reports (65%)
- Spills were involved in 65 of the 167 reports (39%)
- Flammable liquid usage was involved in 75 of the 167 reports (
- Children were involved in 38 of the 167 reports (23%)
- Leaks were involved in 26 of the 167 reports (16%)

Note: This list does not add up to 100% due to combinations of conditions.

After review of the flammable vapor incident reports compiled NFIRS, NFPA FIDO, CPSC NEISS and IDI data, seven represen scenarios have been developed.

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- 1 Bathroom Scenario
- 2 Utility Room Scenarios
- 3 Garage and Basement Scenarios
- 1 Garage Scenario

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Bathroom Scenario: Although bathroom installation of fuel fir heaters is prohibited, flammable vapor ignition by water heate bathrooms do occur, and the injury ratio is more than twice th

A common scenario involves a person becoming "soaked" with gas some activity such as cleaning parts, car repair or fueling operation person goes to the bathroom and removes their clothing to take a I shower. Upon exiting the tub, there is a flash fire.

A similar scenario involves children becoming covered in paint and brought into the bathroom to have the material removed using gase children are usually in the tub with a guardian using a gasoline soa clean them. In this case there is also water being used for rinsing t

Spillage of gasoline was not reported as a contributing factor in more reviewed cases.

Bathroom Scenario

Location:	Small bathroom, 10 ft x 7 ft x 8 ft					
Features:	 Combination bathtub and shower unit Sink, Toilet, Window, 3ft x 4ft 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corne 					
Quantity:	1 gallon of gasoline in container					
Source:	Evaporation of liquid from clothing in center of room					
Activity:	1 to 2 persons moving within the room. water heater					

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Utility Room Scenario 1: Spill outside of room

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Utility Room Scenario 1: Spill outside of room

- Location: Utility Room, 10 ft x 10 ft x 8 ft
- Features: Other appliances such as:
 - gas fired furnace
 - washer and dryer (electric or gas fired)
 - gasoline utilizing equipment such as lawn n motorcycles
 - 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corn

Quantity: 1 gallon of gasoline in container

- Source: Evaporation of liquid from use outside of utility room, to the water heater
- Activity: No activity or movement in the direct vicinity of the ware - Possible operation of other equipment in the room of the release

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Utility Room Scenario 2: Spill inside of room

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A common scenario involves a person using gasoline inside of the for some purpose such as cleaning or fueling. The fuel is either spi vapors from evaporation of the puddle or vapors from gasoline use water heater located in the utility room. There is activity or moveme direct vicinity of the water heater. Possible operation of other equip room at the time of the release.

A version of this scenario involves children playing in the utility room spilling a large amount of gasoline (1-5 gallons) in the vicinity of the heater.

Garage and Basement Scenario 1: Gasoline Usage

A common scenario involves a person using gasoline inside a basel garage for some purpose such as parts cleaning, auto repair, clean removal stains/rubber backed carpet from the floor. The vapors from use travel to the water heater located in the vicinity. There is activity movement in the direct vicinity of the water heater.

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Only a small amount of gasoline used at any one time.

Garage and Basement Scenario 1: Gasoline Usage

Location: Garage or Basement, 20 ft x 10 ft x 8 ft

- Features: Other appliances such as:
 - gas fired furnace
 - washer and dryer (electric or gas fired)
 - gasoline utilizing equipment such as lawn motorcycles
 - 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corne
- Quantity: 1 gallon of gasoline in container
- Source: Evaporation of liquid from use of gasoline, vapor trave water heater
- Activity: Activity or movement in the direct vicinity of the water

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Garage and Basement Scenario 2: Refueling

A common scenario involves a person refueling a piece of equipment uses gasoline such as a lawn mover, weed wacker or motorcycle. tank is accidentally overfilled or the opening is missed. This results moderate quantity of gasoline being spilled on the floor. The vapors gasoline use travel to the water heater located in the vicinity. There movement in the direct vicinity of the water heater. (Examples of fla from just refueling and no spillage were not identified directly in our

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Garage and Basement Scenario 2: Refueling

Location:	Garage or Basement, 20 ft x 10 ft x 8 ft	

Features: • Other appliances such as:

- gas fired furnace
- washer and dryer (electric or gas fired)
- gasoline utilizing equipment such as lawn motorcycles
- 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corne
- Quantity: 1 quart of gasoline spilled
- Source: Spill and evaporation of liquid during refueling operation
- Activity: Activity or movement in the direct vicinity of the water

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Garage and Basement Scenario 3: Children Playing

A common scenario involves children playing in the garage or base tipping over a container of gasoline. They generally knock the can allowing the container to empty a steady rate, or they attempt to fue the container of gasoline. In both scenarios, there is a large amoun gasoline spilled near the water heater and activity.

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Garage and Basement Scenario 3: Children Playing

Location: Garage or Basement, 20 ft x 10 ft x 8 ft

Features: • Other appliances such as:

- gas fired furnace
- washer and dryer (electric or gas fired)
- gasoline utilizing equipment such as lawn m motorcycles
- 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corner
- Quantity: 1-5 gallons of gasoline in container
- Source: Spillage of gasoline, vapor travel to the water heater
- Activity: Activity or movement in the direct vicinity of the water



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Garage Scenario 1: Leakage

A common scenario involves the slow leak of gasoline from the fue vehicle stored in the garage. The rate of gasoline loss is relatively gasoline vaporizes and steadily buildup a flammable concentration until ignited by the water heater.

Garage Scenario 1: Leakage

Location: Garage, 20 ft x 10 ft x 8 ft

Features: • Vehicle

- Cement floor
- 40 gallon gas fired water heater, located in corn

Quantity: Slow leakage of gasoline from the fuel tank

Source: Evaporation of liquid from the spill of gasoline, vapor water heater

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Activity: No activity or movement in the direct vicinity of the w

Analytical Modeling Task

The Analytical Modeling Task will be presented in the following

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- Objective
- Description of the Model
- Results of Verification Experiment for the Source Component
- Dispersion Component Results
- Status

Analytical Modeling Task Objective

The objective of the Analytical Modeling Task is to provide ins the selection of key parameters for testing:

- Verification and/or identification of scenario patterns
- Assess parameter sensitivity for experimental tests
- Evaluate incident scenarios
- Provide theoretically based extension of experimental results

Analytical Modeling Task Description of the Model

The model is comprehensive and consists of two major comp source and the dispersion. Source features include:

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- Prediction of simultaneous spreading of liquid, diffusion, and evaluation
- Both convective mass transfer and diffusion limited regimes ar
- A comprehensive energy balance for varying spill surface then properties as well as source characteristics
- Includes effects of multicomponents

Analytical Modeling Task Description of the Model

The dispersion component describes how vapor disperses frc

- The dispersion component is transient, two-dimensional, and s relevant conservation equations.
- Pool emissions are grouped either as a single (lumped) vapor species.

Analytical Modeling Task Results of Verification Experiments for the Source Composition

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The source component of the Analytical Model is complete an verified with small-scale experiments.

Surface	Quan. (oz)	Area (in ²)	Depth (in)	Temp. (°F)	Average Mass Flux Actual (lb/ft ² s)	Predicted by Model (lb/ft ² s)	· C
Plastic	.16	35		45	2.09 x 10 ⁻⁵	2.05 x 10 ⁻⁵	
Carpet	.86	35		72	3.64 x 10 ⁻⁵	4.31 x 10 ⁻⁵	
[•] Pyrex	1.2	10	.24	52	2.34 x 10 ⁻⁵	2.67 x 10 ⁻⁵	

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Analytical Modeling Task Dispersion Component Results

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The lumped vapor dispersion solution indicates the position of flammable limit in space and time.

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In the quiescent room, vapor "piles" up in corner and reaches in approximately 12 minutes.

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Analytical Modeling Status

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The formulation of the analytical model is complete and debug

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- The source component has been verified with small-scale expension
- The results from the dispersion component with lumped pool en have been demonstrated.
- The dispersion component with emissions modeled as four spebeen debugged.
- Verification of the complete model will be executed in small-scal scale experiments.
- Results from the analytical model will provide information for the matrix and theoretically evaluate incident scenarios.

Experimental Testing Task

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The Experimental Testing Task will be presented in the followi

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- Objective
- Small-scale Test
- Test Equipment
 - facility
 - instrumentation
- Test Plans
- Site Selection
- Status