Selecting Transport Modes of Railway and Road Based on Tariff and Travel Time

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ABSTRACT

Transportation is a movement of people or goods from the origin place to a destination. Regarding this, the writer is interested in studying the selection of transport modes of railway and road based on the transporting tariff and travel time from Bandung and its surroundings to Tanjung Priok port. The research methods the writer uses are applied method and survey. Based on the tariff and the travel time, we can see clearly the market position of transport using train or truck. It can be stated assertively that the weakness of train is its long travel time: the container from industrial centers must be carried using truck, there are discharging/loading processes at Gedebage container terminal (TPK Gedebage), and the frequency of train departure from Bandung to Jakarta is very low.

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Introduction

As we have known, the commodities produced in Bandung and its surroundings are distributed to various places. One of the destinations is Tanjung Priok port, through which the commodities are subsequently distributed to other areas and overseas.

Regarding this, various goods need a place, such as a container, so that they can be transported safely. Thus, there are three routes of transporting containers using two kinds of vehicle, namely:

Route-1: Railway (TPK Gedebage–Karawang–Bekasi–Tanjung Priok port/ Pasoso Terminal).
Route-2: Highway (Padalarang highway–Cipularang highway–Cikampek highway–Tanjung Priok container terminal).
Route-3: Highway and road (Bandung–Purwakarta road–Purwakarta–Cikampek road–Cikampek highway–Tanjung Priok port).

From those three routes, Route-2 and Route-3 are considered more common, more effective and more efficient. It is because the level of transportation mode using container is proportionally different for each mode.

Based on the data obtained through a study on the efficiency improvement of container transport service from Gede Bage Dry Port to Tanjung Priok port carried out by Center for Research and Development of Multimode Transport Management (Puslitbang Manajemen Transportasi Multimoda) in 2002, it is clear that the use of container grew significantly since 1988 until 1996—and decreased from 1997 to 2001. This is because the users are increasingly turn to use road transportation (trailer truck).

In line with the above description, travel time also causes the low usage level of train mode from TPK Gedebage to Tanjung Priok port. It can not be denied, from various scientific references, that travel time is one of the factors to be taken into account by the users of transport services, in addition to other factors such as cost, safety, comfort, reliability, and so on.

From the observation toward the data on container transport using railway, the result is as follows; length of route 213 km, travel time 640 minutes, and transport tariff from industrial center to TPK Gede Bage Rp400,000/truck, TPK Gede Bage–Pasoso for 20 feet container Rp1,100,000/box and TPK Gede Bage–Pasoso for 40 feet container Rp1,650,000/box. Meanwhile, the container transport by road should travel a route of 164 km, 320 minutes travel time and the transport tariff Sentra industri–Pelabuhan Tanjung Priok for 20 feet container Rp2,650,000 and 40 feet Rp3,350,000.

From the aspect of tariff, the opportunity of selecting the mode of transport by train is bigger than by truck. However, if seen from the travel time, the opportunity of selecting the mode of transport by road is more interesting. In fact, the use of truck is much more than of train.

Regarding the above description, the writer is interested in studying the selection of transport mode by railway and road based on the transport tariff and travel time from Bandung and its surroundings to Tanjung Priok port using applied research method and survey (Sugiyono, 2013). Therefore, the writer collects data by using simple random sampling method, with the sample size based on the size developed by Issac and Michael (in Sugiyono, 2013), that is 20 feet container as follows:
- l2 with dk = 1, level of error 5%,
- P = Q = 0.5,
- d = 0.05
- N = 1,499 drivers.

Meanwhile, the number of samples from certain population is determined as N = 1,499, then the number of sample
obtained is as many as 283 drivers. In the same way for 40 feet container, with the population \( N = 1,814 \), then the number of samples obtained is as many as 294 drivers.

Results and Discussion

A. Selection of Transportation Mode

According to Jon D. Fricker and Robert K. Whitford (2004), transportation is a movement of people or goods from the origin place to a destination one. Whereas Edward K. Morlok (1984) explains that transportation is “an act, process, or thing of transporting or being transported.”

Subsequently, C.S Papacostas and P.D. Prevedouros (2001) explain that mode selection is about the attitude of a traveler in selecting his modes of transportation. Whereas according to Nicholas J. Garber, Lester A. Hoel (2009), mode selection is an aspect of analysis process on the demand that determines the number or the percentage of interzonal travelling using cars and transit. The latter is supported by Juan de Dios Ortuzar and Luis G. Willumsen (1994); there are two factors of mode selection related to the characteristics of transport facilities, namely:

1. Quantitative factors, such as:
   a. Relative travel time of the vehicle (in the vehicle, waiting time, and going to each mode);
   b. Relative cost (tax, fuel, and direct cost); and
   c. Parking fee.

2. Qualitative factors, such as:
   a. comfort;
   b. reliability; and
   c. safety.

According to Kittelson (1999), mode selection is a proportion of the total travelling using various characteristics of vehicles. Whereas according to Edward K. Morlok (1984), mode selection depends on the mode characteristics reflecting the cost that is made all the same in using those modes. In this case, such a cost influences the inter-city mode selection in the same way. The important factors here are total travel time for each alternative mode from the origin place to the destination, total cost from the origin place to the destination, comfort in relation with the alternative, and the passenger safety.

In line with that, M. Nur Nasution (2003) explains that in selecting the transport mode for a certain product, the sender should take the following seven criteria into account:

1. the speed of delivery for door to door or building to building;
2. the frequency of scheduled delivery;
3. the obstacles in fulfilling the schedule on time;
4. the ability to handle transportation for various goods;
5. the number of transits and discharging/loading;
6. the cost per ton-kilometer; and
7. the guarantee for damage or loss.

Considering various opinions mentioned above, transportation mode selection can be synthesized as the opportunity value or proportion of using each kind of transportation vehicle with the indicator of percentage which in this case illustrates the usage level of transportation mode desired by the user. The bigger the percentage, the higher interest of the user in selecting a certain mode of transportation.

B. Transportation Tariff

According to Jon D. Fricker and Robert K. Whitford (2004), the price of transportation service is called tariff. This
statement clearly says that tariff is used to measure the service cost. Meanwhile, the supply and demand which altogether determine the price of various goods and services in economy are the prices and direction leading to the allocation of resources (N. Gregory Mankiw, 2003).

Subsequently, demand is a number of goods or products to be purchased by the consumers at certain prices in a certain period of time (Oka A Yuti, 2008). In this article, the service buyer is the consumer or the user of container transport service—while the price of a service can illustrate the consumer behavior; the higher the price of a service the lower the use of a transportation mode. In another word, it is the price of a service that influences the consumer behavior. Whereas, tariff is the level of cost offered for the provided rules of a service (Regis J Bates, Donald W. Gregory, 2001).

Based on the above explanation, we should be careful in using the words price, tariff, and cost. Here, tariff is always related to various kinds of service, while if related to the use of transportation service, tariff is the most common term used.

From several opinions above, the writer synthesizes that a transporting tariff is the degree of a currency to be sacrificed for a container transportation service, and it is offered by the transportation service provider with the indicator of rupiah/unit. The value of rupiah/teu illustrates the transportation tariff. The higher the value of rupiah/teu the higher the transportation tariff.

C. Travel Time

According to Jon D Kendal, Donghyun Park, Radholph Tan (1997), the assessment of travel time is the differential basic for the time consumed during the travel between the useful time and the unuseful one. In this case, travel time consists of (1) useful time; running time of the vehicle and time for discharging/loading; and (2) uselessful time; waiting time, goods storage, and so on.

Subsequently, the total travel time in the transportation planning is the length of time passing through the route. In this case, the route from the origin place to the destination—including waiting time and movement in the mode-changing sites and the final destination (Kittelson, 1999).

According to Edward K. Morlok (1984), “time” can be considered as cost. Therefore, in the transportation economy, travel time is one the factors that influence the attitude toward the supply and demand of container transportation service. In this case, time is one of the transportation cost components that can describe the consumer behavior; the longer the travel the lower the usage level of a transportation mode.

From several opinions above, travel time can be synthesized as the length of time consumed to pass through the routes relating the origin place to the destination. Here, travel time consists of moving time, waiting time, processing time in the mode-changing place with the indicator of number value and unit of time (second, minute, hour, and so forth). In this article, the travel time indicator is minutes/teus. This value illustrates the travel time with which the higher the unit of value, the longer travel time to be passed through.

The development of transportation services is an effort to minimize the transportation cost (travel time). According to Roddirigue et al. (2009), there is a correlation among the transportation cost, the travel distance, and the selection of transportation mode to be used. The transportation mode of road is commonly used for short distance, railway transport for middle distance, and sea and air transport for long distance.

The attached figure provides the illustration of transportation cost comparison against the travel distance.
Each of the transportation by road, railway, and sea respectively has the cost function C1, C2 dan C3. Land transportation has the lower cost function for short distance compare to railway and sea for midle and air transportation for long distance. At point D.1 will be profitable if use land transportation and both railway and land transportation will reach it’s profitable until point D.2 and the rest will be profitable if use sea and air transport. The Distances for point D.1 are equal to 500 km and point D.2 for 1000 – 1,500,000 km.

D. Analysis on the Relation between Transportation Tariff and Travel Time and Their Influence on the Ratio or Opportunity of Selecting the Mode of Railway Transport

1. Analysis Description

Many factors should be taken into account to select the mode of transportation such as tariff, time, safety, comfort, and so on. However, various scientific references state that the model for mode selection are commonly tariff and travel time. Therefore, this analysis on mode selection is based on tariff and travel time. The results of this research on 972 respondents of container truck drivers are as follows:

a. From the production center to Container Terminal there are 38 drivers of 20 feet container truck, and 40 drivers of 40 feet container truck. The total number of drivers is 78 people;
b. From the production center to Tanjung Priok port there are 332 drivers of 20 feet container truck, and 562 drivers of 40 feet container truck. The total number of drivers is 894 people.

In zone-1 (Cimahi) no container is found to be transported by train, thus this zone is not used in the analysis.

Subsequently, the observation shows that the use of train is relatively lower than the use of truck. Therefore, the ratio between the usage level of train and truck passing through Cipularang becomes the dependent variable (Y). The ratio between the usage level of train and truck caused by the difference of tariff (X1) and travel time (X2).

From the data recapitulation, the tariff between 20 feet containers and 40 feet containers is significantly different. Thus, in the analysis on the mode selection 20 feet containers and 40 feet containers are separated. The variables are Y20, X120, X220 for 20 feet containers and Y40, X140, X240 for 40 feet containers.

2. Regression Analysis

a. Requirement Test

The analysis process on the mode selection here is aided by one of multiple regression analysis. After testing the requirements on the multiple regression analysis, in fact, there is no problem of multikolinieritas, auto-correlation and the regression points are surrounding the diagonal line.
b. Coefficient of Determination $R^2$, $t$ Test and $F$ Test (ANOVA)

Coefficient of determination indicates the size of contribution or the percentage of the independent variable’s influence on the dependent variable. For the influence of one or two independent variables on the dependent variable, the coefficient of determination is $R^2$ (Adjusted $R$ Square) which is the result of squaring the value of $R$. Whereas for the correlation of more than two independent variables on the dependent variable, the coefficient of determination is adjusted $R^2$.

Subsequently, to know whether the correlation between one independent variable and dependent variable is significant or not, $t$ Test is carried out. Based on the result of that test, it is clear that the correlation between independent variable and the dependent is significant and the result can be seen in Table I below.

c. Regression Equation

From the data analysis there is a fact, that in the simple (separated) regression analysis the three independent variables have strong correlation with and significant

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influence on the dependent variable. It also finds the ratio of usage level between train and truck. The variable of tariff difference significantly influences the variable of the ratio of usage level between train and truck. Likewise, the variable of the difference of travel time has a significant influence on the variable of the ratio of usage level between train and truck.

In the multiple regression analysis it is seen that both of the independent variables (altogether) have significant influence on the dependent variable. This indicates that the difference of tariff and the difference of travel time altogether significantly influence or contribute to the ratio of the usage level between train and truck. The regression equation of each model can be seen completely in Table II above.

Based on the discussion above, it is found that the tariff difference for transporting 20 feet containers (X120) will significantly influence the comparison of selecting transportation mode of railway (Y20) and the value of $R^2 = 0.915$. Whereas the difference of travel time tariffs (X120) of 20 feet containers significantly influences the comparison between selecting railway transportation mode (Y20) with $R^2 = 0.912$. In this case, the $F_{cal}$ value of the tariff difference variable and the travel time of 20 feet container altogether is 822.66. After that, the selection of railway mode and road can be determined based on the transport tariff and the travel time. Therefore, the regression analysis obtains a regression model of 20 feet container which results in a constant 2.97821, coefficient of transport tariff difference 0.01415 and coefficient of travel time difference 0.01756. This value is then turned into the value of the model of selecting the transportation mode of railway and road to become a constant 2,104,742 rupiah and the value of time difference 12,409.894 rupiah/minute.

3. Analysis on the Mode Selection

As we know, it is very possible for users of container transport service from Bandung and its surroundings to Tanjung Priok port to choose 2 (two) modes of transportation, namely railway (train) and road (truck) transportation modes since both of the modes have an opportunity to carry containers. In this research, the opportunity value is determined only by tariff and travel time.

In order to make a model of each opportunity value of transportation mode usage, both railway and road, especially from the above regression equation, we obtain a model of mode selection or opportunity value or a proportion of using each mode as follows:

a. 20 feet container

The opportunity value of using train ($\rho_{ka20}$) is determined by the difference of transportation tariff ($\Delta P_{20}$) and the
difference of travel time (Δt) between truck and train. In this case, the difference of tariff is divided by 10,000 rupiah, and the model is:

$$\rho_{ka20} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-0.01415(\Delta P_{20} + 124099.46 + 210.474)}}$$

If the difference of tariff is not divided by 10,000 rupiah, then the model is as follows:

$$\rho_{ka20} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-0.00000415(\Delta P_{20} + 124099.89) + 210.474+0.049})}$$

Meanwhile the opportunity value of using truck is:

$$\rho_{truk20} = 1 - \rho_{ka20}$$

Both of the opportunity values are mutually nullifying. It means that if the opportunity value of using train for 20 feet container ($\rho_{ka20}$) increases, then the opportunity value of using truck for 20 feet container ($\rho_{truk20}$) will decrease and vice versa. How far these opportunity values are mutually nullifying is much determined by the service offer in terms of tariff and travel time of each container transportation mode. The total opportunity value of using both transportation modes is 1.

$$\rho_{truk20} + \rho_{ka20} = 1$$

b. 40 feet container

The opportunity value of using train ($\rho_{ka40}$) is determined by the difference of transporation tariff (ΔP40) and the difference of travel time (Δt) between truck and train. In this case, the difference of tariff is divided by 10,000 rupiah, and the model is:

$$\rho_{ka40} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-0.0091852(\Delta P_{40} + 0.54597\Delta t - 195.0883)}}$$

If the difference of tariff is not divided by 10,000 rupiah, then the model is as follows:

$$\theta_{truk40} = 1 - \rho_{ka40}$$

Both of the opportunity values are mutually nullifying. It means that if the opportunity value of using train for 40 feet container ($\rho_{ka40}$) increases, then the opportunity value of using truck for 40 feet container ($\rho_{truk40}$) will decrease and vice versa. How far these opportunity values are mutually nullifying is much determined by the service offer in terms of tariff and travel time of each container transportation mode.

The total opportunity value of using both transportation modes is 1 or 100%.

Mathematically the equation is as follows:

$$\rho_{truk40} + \rho_{ka40} = 1$$

Although the above-mentioned model has been obtained, however, it can not be used permanently. But in this analysis, the emphasize is what method can be used to obtain such a model. There are many considerations for this, i.e.:

- The influence of fluctuative economy condition;
- Policy on price related to the operational cost of transportation mode, such as increasing price of fuel; and
- Changes in the transportation network system, for example, the development of railway network such as station addition, track addition, highway development, etc.

Although the transportation mode selection model can predict a change, but after the change it should be re-examined. This should be done continuously.
Conclusion

The difference of transportation tariff for 20 feet and 40 feet containers, that is the difference between the tariffs of truck and of train, shows positive value or the tariff of truck > the tariff of train. Therefore, although the tariff of train is lower than of truck, but the usage level of train is relatively much lower than the usage level of truck.

The difference of travel time for 20 feet and 40 feet containers, and the difference of travel time between truck and train shows negative value or the travel time of truck < the travel time of train. This indicates that container transportation from Bandung and its surroundings to Tanjung Priok port will be faster if it uses truck rather than train.

The analysis model of selecting transportation mode of railway and road based on the transportation tariff and travel time has been able to describe the market position for both train and truck. Nowadays, it can be said explicitly that the market position of train is very weak.

Although the market position of train can be known through the analysis on the selection of railway and road transportation mode based on tariff and travel time, this model can not always be used. The users of this model are expected to monitor the transportation policy against that route, especially related to tariff and travel time. In another word, although the transportation mode selection model can predict a change, but after the change it should be re-examined. This should be done continuously.

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