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**A Multistage Decision-making Model for Green Reverse Logistics** Quantitative Models for Reverse Logistics

The complexity of distribution systems is augmented by various trends: globalization of the manufacturing industry, rising customer demands, and the reverse flows within closed-loop systems. In this light, the need for 'advanced' planning methods that are based on quantitative optimization is constantly increasing. This book takes up the challenges posed by these developments. In doing so, it presents recent results and case studies from a group of researchers that regularly meet at the IWDL (International Workshop on Distribution Logistics). The text covers the design of distribution networks, vehicle routing, warehousing and reverse logistics. It also contains a comprehensive review of more than 60 case studies in reverse logistics.

**Heuristic for Reverse Logistics of Non-conform Material** Springer Science & Business Media  
Closed-loop supply chain activities such as remanufacturing, recycling, dismantling for spare parts, and reverse logistics have helped many companies tap into new revenue streams by finding secondary markets for their products, all while reducing their overall carbon footprint. A comprehensive yet concise presentation of closed-loop supply chain processes, *Closed-Loop Supply Chains: New Developments to Improve the Sustainability of Business Practices* investigates the state of the art in this rapidly growing and environmentally significant field. Written by academic experts, in language that is accessible to practitioners, this reader-friendly reference examines recent research and case studies of companies running profitable reuse/remanufacture/recycling operations in various industries. It illustrates profitable practices in returned and recovered products, and clearly explains how to: design a reverse logistics network, conduct production planning, implement effective marketing strategies for recovered products, and apply closed-loop supply chain strategies in other industries besides manufacturing. From product development to materials to assembly and profitability, this authoritative resource illustrates the impact of these processes across all aspects of the supply chain. It provides a business perspective of how to properly implement these processes in your company to achieve profitable and sustainable operations in a more environmentally friendly manner. It also: Investigates strategic decisions companies face in regard to the secondary market for their products, including opportunity costs Examines tactical issues firms will face once the decision to remanufacture has been made, including how to market remanufactured products Summarizes the key characteristics and practices in a variety of industries where remanufacturing has been successful Explains how to conceptualize and manage changes due to switching to a closed-loop supply chain Demonstrates how to handle changing legislation Designed for ease of reference, each chapter covers a specific topic—in a completely self-contained manner—allowing readers to quickly and easily reference the chapters of particular relevance to their industry and situation.

*Application of a Reverse Logistics Model for Optimizing Scrap Tire Processing* GRIN Verlag

Supply Chain Management (SCM) is a wide field in which several specialties are included. In general, operations and production management players use SCM to organize the problems and analyze the solution approaches. Due to these points, a reference which can encompass a range of problems and their modelling approaches is required. This book will contain three general sections of forward, reverse, intelligent, and uncertain problems. While the book provides different problems in the three commonly used categories in SCM, it is very helpful for the readers to find out, or adapt their own application studies to the ones given in the book and employ the corresponding modelling approach. *Supply Chain Optimization, Management and Integration: Emerging Applications* Springer  
Diplomarbeit aus dem Jahr 2005 im Fachbereich BWL - Industriebetriebslehre, Note: 1,3, Universität Mannheim, 107 Quellen im Literaturverzeichnis, Sprache: Deutsch, Abstract: Die vorliegende Arbeit hat sich zum Ziel gesetzt, erhöhte Komplexität und Kausalzusammenhänge innerhalb einer Closed-Loop Supply Chain im Rahmen des System-Dynamics-Ansatzes abzubilden. Mittels des Simulationsstudiums sollen grundlegende Erkenntnisse über die dynamischen Auswirkungen einer Integration von Sekundärressourcen in den Produktionsprozess gewonnen werden. Besondere Beachtung wird dabei den Implikationen der Reverse Logistics auf das Systemverhalten infolge exogener Störungen in der Nachfrage (Bullwhip-Effekt) zuteil. Zum Erreichen der Zielsetzung wird folgender Lösungsweg eingeschlagen: In Kapitel 2 wird auf Umfeld und Prozesse der Reverse Logistics eingegangen, um so den Rahmen für die spätere Modellentwicklung aufzuspannen. Dazu werden zunächst gesetzliche Grundlagen und direkte und indirekte ökonomische Anreize als Ursachen der Produktrücknahmen seitens der Hersteller identifiziert. Darauf folgend werden verschiedene Quellen und Senken der Produktrückflüsse definiert und Reverse Logistics als viergliedrige Prozesskette charakterisiert. Abschliessend erfolgt eine Systematisierung der dem RL-Umfeld inhärenten Angebotsunsicherheit. In Kapitel 3 wird auf Basis der gewonnenen Erkenntnisse ein System-Dynamics-Modell einer generischen Closed-Loop Supply Chain konzipiert, dessen Ausgangsstruktur anhand der wesentlichen Modellsektoren Produktion, Produktnutzung und Reverse Logistics erläutert wird. Darauf folgen eine Validierung der Modellstruktur sowie eine Diskussion der durch Simulation des Basismodells gewonnenen Ergebnisse. Die in Kapitel 4 zunächst vorgenommene Erweiterung des System-Dynamics-Modells um eine sektorübergreifende Koordination der Produktions- und Recyclingprozesse strebt eine Verbesserung des zuvor beobachteten Systemverhaltens an. Sich daran anschließende Szenarioan  
*Waste Management: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications* Springer Science & Business Media

This work addresses a novel reverse supply chain network design problem, which also considers specified returns. After an extensive literature survey of studies of forward and reverse supply chains, very few references were found to similar problems. Future research can focus on different product types, including non-modular ones. Nowadays, supply chains play an inevitable role in prompt handling of varying customers' needs. Administration of a successful supply chain depends

on how efficiently the network design is accomplished. Therefore, a supply chain network design problem is considered in this book. So it can be said that by implementing our model it would be beneficiary to the company.

#### **Emerging Applications** CRC Press

Our rapidly changing world has forced business practitioners, in corporation with academic researchers, to respond quickly and develop effective solution methodologies and techniques to handle new challenges in supply chain systems. Supply Chain Optimization, Management and Integration: Emerging Applications presents readers with a rich collection of ideas from researchers who are bridging the gap between the latest in information technology and supply chain management. This book includes theoretical, analytical, and empirical research, comprehensive reviews of relevant research, and case studies of effective applications in the field of SCM. The use of new technologies, methods, and techniques are emphasized by those who have worked with supply chain management across the world for those in the field of information systems.

*Supply Chain Management and Reverse Logistics* LAP Lambert Academic Publishing

Closed-Loop Supply Chains (CLSC) offer companies a unique opportunity to improve their profits whilst serving societal responsibility. The management of CLSC differs in a number of ways from managing supply chains in general. The book examines these differences and how these differences may be dealt with in practice, by offering a concrete framework, introducing the different aspects related to CLSC and their mutual relations, in a systematic logical way as well as cases clustered according to the inputs for a CLSC. The framework and especially the cases from successful companies offer the reader an invaluable help to build and improve CLSC.

*Logistics Operations, Supply Chain Management and Sustainability* IGI Global

Conventionally people have been defining logistics as a means of getting manufactured goods from the manufacturer to the customer. It is often viewed as a system of delivering goods to the customers but seldom the reverse. Here the concepts of reverse logistics are discussed and compared to that of forward logistics. The field of forward or conventional logistics is well covered. The delivery models have been studied in detail and well researched. But in reverse logistics these very models are not established. This is an opportunity to explore some of the ideas as to when and where reverse logistics comes into play. We all know the supply chain that flows in the forward direction, but, what happens when the customers want to return the goods. What happens when the Government is breathing down your neck to be environmental friendly. What happens when you fear that the knowledge intensive parts might end up with your competitors. That's when reverse logistics comes into picture. In spite of some very intriguing questions raised above, many companies are not capable of or are unwilling to enter the reverse logistics market. Such reluctance appears to be attributed to lack of knowledge of reverse logistics. [1] Case study of a high profile company like IBM has been selected and studied to best answer the above questions. Vehicle routing problems is a very challenging field. An attempt is made using a Mathematical model to find the shortest route for Simultaneous Pick up and Delivery. The problem has been solved for optimizing the route using Solver in MS Excel. Further research needs to be done to take into account the load of the items to be picked up and the vehicle capacity. The comparison shows that there is a large scope for further research into developing various reverse logistics models and with

the global economy, cut throat competition, and tough environmental standards to comply with, the future of these industries may very well depend on the implementation of the best supply chain techniques and strategies.

*Closed-Loop Supply Chains* Springer Science & Business Media

The globalization of markets has reinforced the interest in logistics. A constantly raising level of competition among companies stresses the need for improved logistic processes, in terms of cost reduction and increased service level. The book covers the main problems of distribution logistics: network design and location problems, tactical and operational planning of transport, internal logistics, and inventory management. The book contains a rigorous methodological approach with an emphasis on practical problems. Two survey papers provide references and open problems.

*Assessing Reverse Logistics Complexity* Springer Science & Business Media

*Quantitative Models for Reverse Logistics* Springer Science & Business Media

*An Optimization Model for Reverse Logistics Operations* CRC Press

As legislations have become stricter and the competition on markets is getting stronger, companies facing return flows strive for the implementation of efficient and cost-effective reverse logistic procedures. At the same time, when managing reverse logistics, they are not only confronted with a high degree of uncertainties concerning the quality, quantity and timing of the product returns, but also with a dynamically changing environment. Various aspects, such as the increasing amount of return flows, shorter repair and lead times as well as increasing disposal costs, affect the reverse logistic system and need to be managed proficiently. Additionally, handling product returns requires supportive computer aided modelling tools that are capable of handling the dynamic and complex characteristics of the reverse logistic system and allow an improved estimation of the impact of a changing environment and management decisions. For the purpose of this study, the system dynamics modelling approach has been identified as particularly suitable for illustrating the system in question with a special focus on understanding the dynamic behaviour over time. A generic system dynamics model has been exemplarily created and simulated using the program iThink. The model comprises end-to-end processes of the main reverse logistic activities related to customer returns and has been used for studying the strategic design and optimization of the reverse logistic system. In order to consider relevant uncertainties as well as environmental concerns and economic efficiency, representative policies have been applied where, inter alia, with the help of the graphical illustration of the processes, effective strategies could be implemented. A general evaluation of the system dynamics methodology has revealed the significant advantages of using supportive modelling techniques for strategic decision making. Particularly for complex systems that change over time, such as reverse logistics, applying appropriate computer aided modelling tools in order to anticipate the overall effect on processes caused by varying surroundings has proven essential. An effective utilization of system dynamics may significantly reduce the forecasting and planning risks within individual frameworks, such as capacity planning. Moreover, the generic approach allows the application of the model to any other industry that is characterized by uncertain capacity utilization and varying technical, economical and legal conditions.

*Development of a Linear Programming Model for Recycling* Springer Science & Business Media

Closed-loop supply design, flexible delivery, random path, Memetic algorithm, Genetic algorithm,

Taguchi method.

Strategic Planning Models for Reverse and Closed-Loop Supply Chains Springer Science & Business Media

Estudio sobre diseño y mejora de los programas de reciclaje, que hoy día se nos muestra como uno de los puntos más importantes a tener en cuenta en el éxito de las empresas.

*Reverse Logistics Trends and Practices* IGI Global

Increasing legislative and environmental pressure requires businesses to become more responsive to products that either have been returned or that are at the end of their useful lives. Life cycles are getting shorter, and efficient handling can save large amounts of money since many materials can be extracted and reused or redistributed. Reverse lo

*Forward, Reverse, Uncertain, and Intelligent Foundations with Case Studies* ProQuest

Network models are critical tools in business, management, science and industry. "Network Models and Optimization" presents an insightful, comprehensive, and up-to-date treatment of multiple objective genetic algorithms to network optimization problems in many disciplines, such as engineering, computer science, operations research, transportation, telecommunication, and manufacturing. The book extensively covers algorithms and applications, including shortest path problems, minimum cost flow problems, maximum flow problems, minimum spanning tree problems, traveling salesman and postman problems, location-allocation problems, project scheduling problems, multistage-based scheduling problems, logistics network problems, communication network problem, and network models in assembly line balancing problems, and airline fleet assignment problems. The book can be used both as a student textbook and as a professional reference for practitioners who use network optimization methods to model and solve problems.

*Reverse Logistics Model for End-of-lifecycle Product Take-back* Springer Science & Business Media

The aim of this book is to present qualitative and qualitative aspects of logistics operations and supply chain management which help to implement the sustainable policy principles in the companies and public sector's institutions. Authors in individual chapters address the issues related to reverse network configuration, forward and reverse supply chain integration, CO2 reduction in transportation, improvement of the production operations and management of the recovery activities. Some best practices from different countries and industries are presented. This book will be valuable to both academics and practitioners wishing to deepen their knowledge in the field of logistics operations and management with regard to sustainability issues.

A Flexible Integrated Forward/reverse Logistics Model with Random Path Springer Science & Business Media

As the world's population continues to grow and economic conditions continue to improve, more solid and liquid waste is being generated by society. Improper disposal methods can not only lead to harmful environmental impacts but can also negatively affect human health. To prevent further harm to the world's ecosystems, there is a dire need for sustainable waste management practices that will safeguard the environment for future generations. *Waste Management: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications* is a vital reference source that examines the management of different types of wastes and provides relevant theoretical frameworks about new waste management technologies for the control of air, water, and soil pollution. Highlighting a range of

topics such as contaminant removal, landfill treatment, and recycling, this multi-volume book is ideally designed for environmental engineers, waste authorities, solid waste management companies, landfill operators, legislators, environmentalists, policymakers, government officials, academicians, researchers, and students.

*Environmental Issues in Supply Chain Management* Reverse Logistics Executive council

The rapid technological development of new products, coupled with the growing consumer desire for the latest technology, has led to a new environmental problem: products that are discarded prematurely. But behind every problem lies an opportunity. Many of these products can be reprocessed, leading to savings in natural resources, energy, landfill space, and ultimately, time and money. *Strategic Planning Models for Reverse and Closed-Loop Supply Chains* addresses complex issues caused by the inherent uncertainty involved in every stage of a closed-loop supply chain. The book presents quantitative models for the many multifaceted issues faced by strategic planners of reverse and closed-loop supply chains amid the challenges of uncertainty in supply rate of used products, unknown condition of used products, and imperfect correlation between supply of used products and demand for reprocessed goods. The models proposed in this book provide understanding of how a particular issue can be effectively approached in a particular decision-making situation using a suitable quantitative technique or suitable combination of two or more quantitative techniques. This information then translates into decision-making strategies and guidance for reverse and closed-loop supply chain management.

**Managing Reverse Logistics Using System Dynamics: A Generic End-to-end Approach**

Diplomica Verlag

The issue of sustainability has become a vital discussion in many industries within the public and private sectors. In the business realm, incorporating such practices allows organizations to redesign their operations more effectively. *The Handbook of Research on Supply Chain Management for Sustainable Development* is a critical scholarly resource that examines academic and corporate interest in sustainability in all facets of business management. Featuring coverage on a wide range of topics such as green supply chains, environmental standards, and production planning, this book is geared toward professionals, researchers, and managers seeking current and relevant research on optimizing supply chains to ensure fair labor practices, lower emissions, and a cleaner environment.

*Handbook of Research on Supply Chain Management for Sustainable Development* Springer Science & Business Media

Inhaltsangabe:Introduction: As the world population is growing continuously and emerging markets are expanding, natural resources are being used even more intensively. Because of the scarcity of natural resources, industry faces a changing business environment. Due to government regulations, companies nowadays must handle not only in terms of efficiency, but also of sustainable development and new market opportunities. Thus, with the progression of the logistics sector in recent years, supply chain management and especially the concept of reverse logistics have become more important for both, industry and science. By utilizing reverse logistics, companies aim at maximizing their product revenue while reducing the costs of product returns. Accordingly, implementing an effective concept of reverse logistics, while manufacturing environmentally friendly



products, has become a strategic issue. In order to meet the requirements, companies are confronted with the problem of reducing the uncertainties regarding the quality, quantity and timing of the product returns. In this context, a high level of uncertainty leads to a strong increase in complexity compared to the traditional forward supply chains. Using modern computer aided modelling techniques such as system dynamics, helps to counteract this complexity since they not only enable a better understanding of the dynamic behaviour of such complex systems but also allow an improved estimation of the impact of a changing environment and management decisions. This thesis contributes towards an improvement of the strategic decision making process in the field of reverse logistics by providing a generic simulation model which can be used to analyse the

influence of different environmental and economical policies with respect to prevailing market conditions. To achieve this objective, the following approach is proposed: In Chapter 2, the theoretical foundation of reverse logistics is characterized forming the framework for the subsequent analytical approach concerning the appropriate model development. For this purpose, first, an overview of the state of the art concerning the processes and influencing factors within the field of reverse logistics is provided. This is achieved by describing the theoretical background of the topic, including a characterization of the impact of individual reverse logistic activities on each other and on their environment. Afterwards, current challenges and trends when [...]

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