

Logistique Inverse :
Etat de l'art
des problèmes de conception des réseaux logistiques
dans le contexte du développement durable.

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Reverse Logistics

“Reverse process of planning, implementing and controlling the efficient, cost effective flow of raw materials, in-process inventory, finished goods and related information, from the point of consumption back to the point of origin, for the purpose of recapturing their value or proper disposal”.

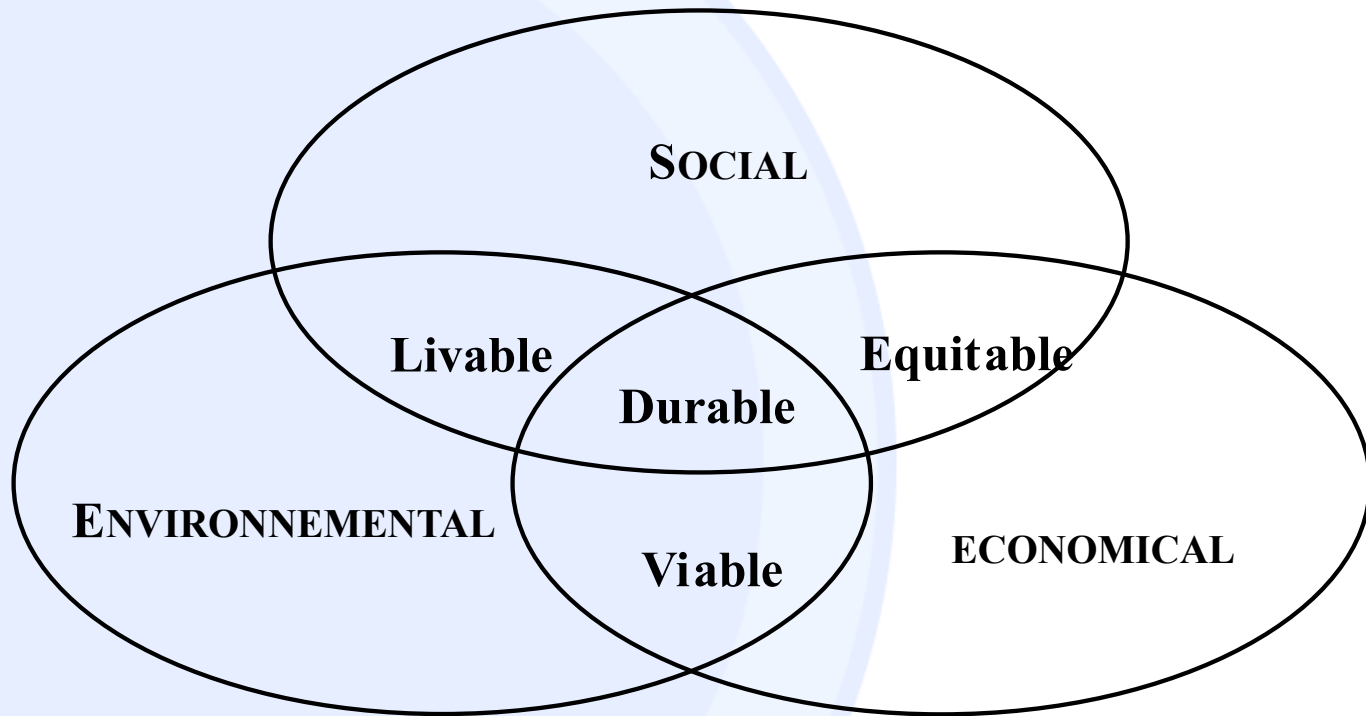
American Reverse Logistics Executive Council

(Rogers and Tibben-Lembke, 1998)

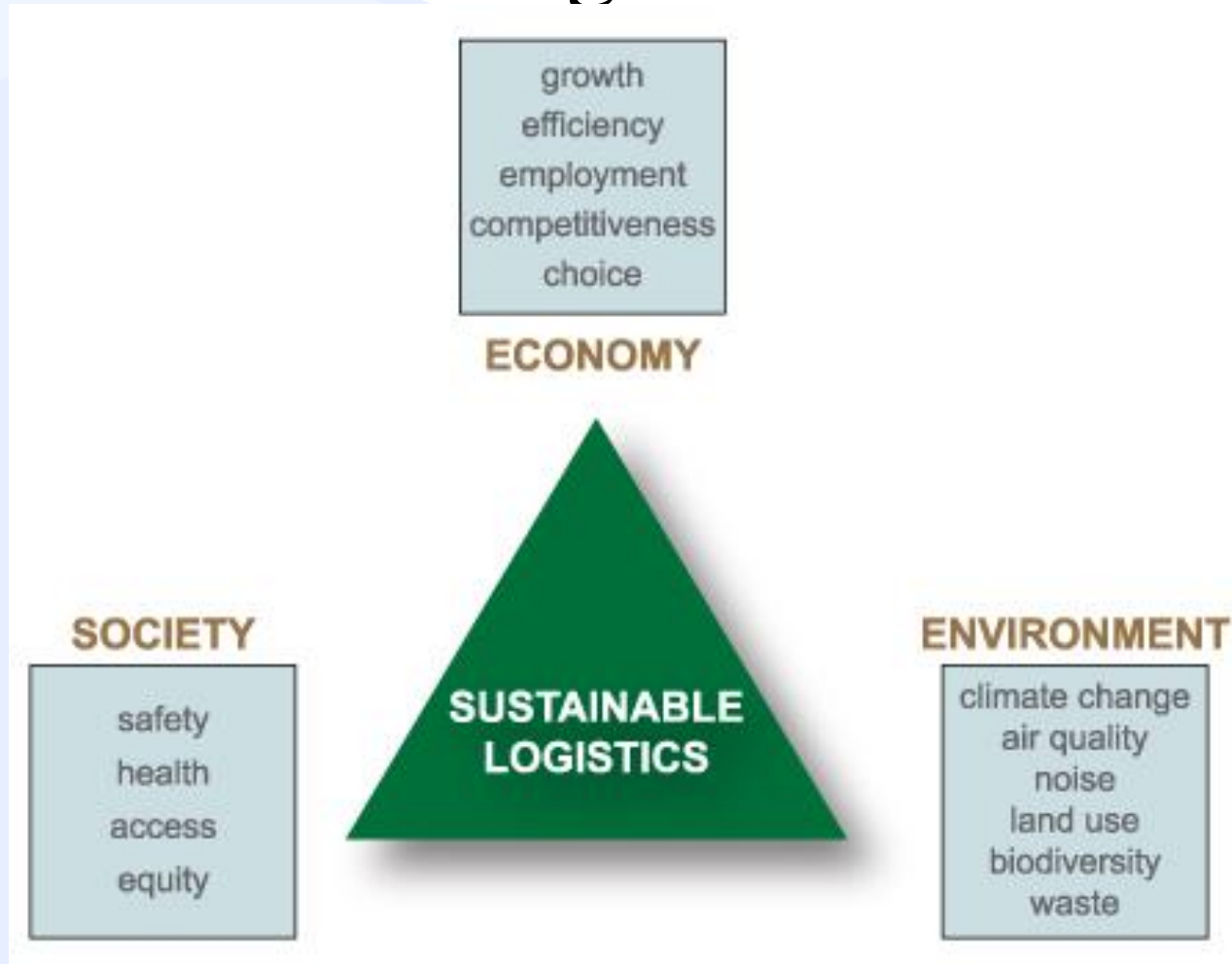
Motivations :

- Productivity and cost savings
- Customer service
- Environmental protection,
product recycling
- Societal motivations
- Legal factors

The three dimensions of sustainable development



Sustainable logistics and green logistics

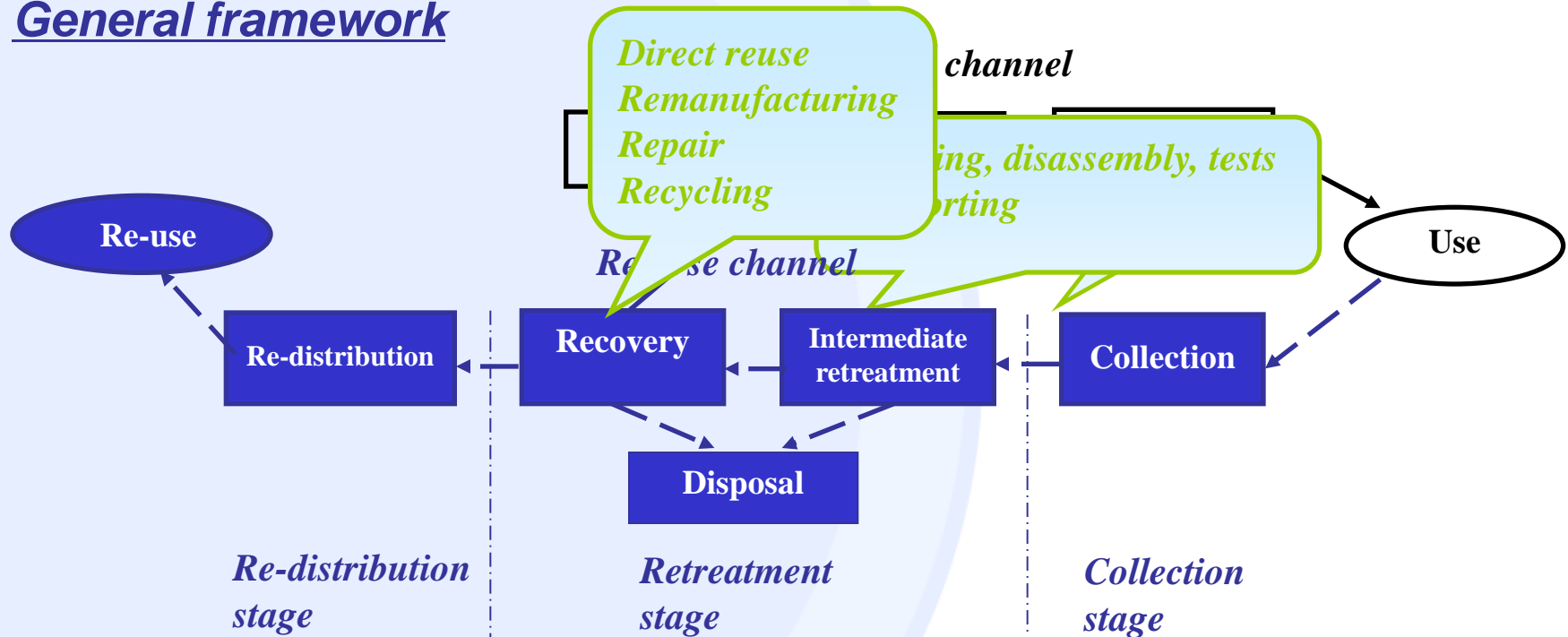


Framework of Reverse Logistics Systems

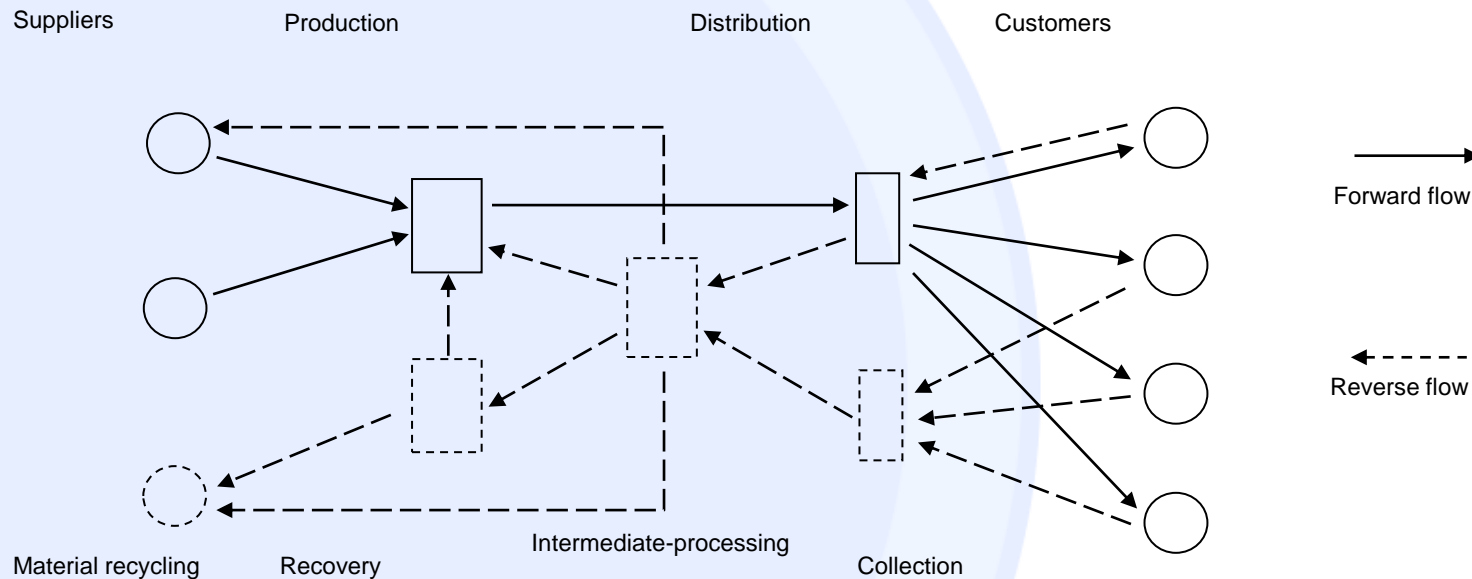
Reverse logistics activities

[Beaulieu et al. (1999), Thierry et al. (1993), Dekker et al. (1999), Fleischmann et al. (2000a)]

General framework



Framework of an integrated logistics system with forward and reverse flows



A supply chain is said to

➤ *open loop* if the reverse circuit is independent of the initial forward flow.

➤ *closed loop* if forward and reverse flows are totally or partially integrated.

Two essential elements for classification:

- ❑ Product recovery options [Thierry et al. (1995)]
- ❑ Type of return objects [Fleischmann et al. (1997)]

4 basic types :

- ❑ ***Direct reutilization network (closed loop)***
 - ✓ pallets, bottles, containers
- ❑ ***Remanufacturing network (closed loop)***
 - ✓ Parts or products needing maintenance and recycled as new : copy machines, cartridges, refrigerators, airline engine parts, consumer products
- ❑ ***Repair service network (open loop)***
 - ✓ Return and repair of parts in repair centers : durable products, electronic equipment
- ❑ ***Material recycling network (open loop)***
 - ✓ raw materials recycling by third parties : glass, paper, metal, plastics, used cars destruction

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Some observations

Reverse logistics is concerned with the return of products or equipments back from the final customer, through the logistics system, for the purpose of reutilization, repair, remanufacturing or recycling.

Drivers for these activities may be legislative, environmental or commercial (Fleischmann et al., 2000a).

De Brito and Dekker (2003) distinguish different types of reverse logistics activities, for the purpose of recapturing the product value:

one may consider recuperating the products themselves, their components, raw materials or energy.

Reverse logistics systems may be classified into different categories depending on their characteristics, such as the types of returned products (Fleischmann et al., 1997), or the recuperation options (Thierry et al., 1995).

One distinguishes different types of networks, i.e. direct recuperation networks, repair or remanufacturing networks or component recycling network.

Logistics

networks for product recovery

Fleischmann et al. (2000b) defined the main processes of reverse logistics: collection, inspection/separation, re-processing, disposal, and re-distribution.

Inspection / separation and reprocessing activities, (namely treatment activities), have a high influence in the configuration of reverse logistics network design.



The cost and environmental impact of products in reverse logistics network design highly depend on the configuration of the reverse logistics network : location of logistics and treatment activities (sorting, inspecting, disassembly, cleaning, etc.).



The configuration of the reverse logistics network and the problem of locating facilities for different types of reverse logistics operations have been thoroughly investigated in the literature.

Both generic and case-based models have been proposed. Fleischmann et al (1997) and Fleischmann (2001) published one of the earlier surveys of quantitative models for reverse logistics, including network design and inventory management systems.



Case studies of real applications

Fleischmann et al. (2000b) : case study based on the reverse logistics network design at IBM for the management of copy machines and their components.

De Brito et al. (2003) : comparative synthesis of more than 60 real cases published in different sectors and types of applications, among which the structure of networks.

The book by Dekker et al. (2004) is devoted to quantitative models for closed loop supply chains.

They propose a framework for reverse logistics and quantitative decision making models and address a number of problems, including for the economic and environmental optimization of supply chains.



Special issues of the Production and Operations Management (Guide and Van Wassenhove, 2006a,b) : *closed loop reverse logistics networks in the prospects of sustainable development.*

Special issue of Computers and Operations Research: *optimization models for reverse logistics* (Verter and Boyaci, 2007).



Gehin et al (2008) observe that recycling is currently the most common solution but it is far from meeting the goals of sustainable development.

They believe that constraints from end-of-life strategies should be better integrated into the early phases of design.

In their review on perspectives in reverse logistics (Pokharel and Mutha, 2009), find that research and practice in reverse logistics are focused on all aspects of reverse logistics : collection of used products, their processing and finally to the outputs of processing recycled materials, spare parts, remanufactured products and waste material disposal.

Research is mainly focussed on deterministic methods.

Few works consider stochastic demand for remanufactured products and supply of used products by the consumers.

Pricing models for acquiring used products are still developing.

The book by Ferguson (2010) is devoted to strategic and tactical aspects of closed loop supply chains.

It describes recent researches in this area, addresses the hypothesis and modeling frameworks proposed and suggests research directions.

Cf chapter by Aras et al. (2010) on designing the reverse logistics network.



Review of literature on environmentally conscious manufacturing and product recovery : Ilgin and Gupta (2010) discuss the evolution in the last decade and discuss new areas that have emerged.

They classify the literature in four categories: environmentally conscious product design, reverse and closed-loop supply chains, remanufacturing, and disassembly.



According to (Nikolaou et al., 2011), the motivations of the business community for employing reverse logistics can be classified into two categories: proactive or reactive.

Cost saving or presenting better image to achieve competitive advantage and improve environmental performance can be accounted as proactive reasons.

Legislation laws would be the reactive reasons to adopt reverse logistics as a strategy.

The majority of available models of sustainable reverse logistics systems mainly focus on environmental and economic aspects, and have incorporated only a limited number of social aspects.

Therefore they propose an integrated model for introducing Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and sustainability issues in reverse logistics systems as a means of developing a complete performance framework.



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3. Specific models for RL network design

Different solution methods have been developed for solving reverse logistics network design models :

- commercial solvers,
- exact solution methods
- metaheuristics



multi-product closed-loop supply chain network design problem

(Ulster et al., 2007)

- locate collection centers and remanufacturing facilities
- coordinate the forward and reverse flows in the network
- minimize the processing, transportation, and facility location costs.

The problem is motivated by the practice of an original equipment manufacturer in the automotive industry that provides service parts for vehicle maintenance and repair.

The problem formulation leads to efficient Benders reformulation and an exact solution approach.



integration of forward and reverse logistic. Wang and Hsu (2010)

A generalized closedloop model for the logistics planning is proposed by formulating a cyclic logistics network problem into an integer linear programming model and solving it for minimum cost.

A revised spanning-tree based genetic algorithm was also developed for solving this model.



remanufacturing end-of-life products

Korchi and Millet (2011)

Design of economically and environmentally viable reverse logistics channels for supplying reusable used modules to the production chain.

- framework to allow generating and assessing different reverse logistics channel structures.
- application to a product remanufacturing case.
- analyzis of the current reverse logistics channel structure and proposition of alternative structures with less environmental impact and higher economic benefits.

location of treatment activities

(Krikke et al.,2003)

- decision-making model concerning both the design structure of a product and that of the logistic network.
- environmental impacts are measured by linear-energy and waste functions.
- economic costs are modeled as linear functions of volumes with a set-up component for facilities.

Application to a closed-loop supply chain design problem for refrigerators using real life data of a Japanese consumer electronics company concerning its European operations.



facility procuring returned items from a set of collection sites for remanufacturing and sale (Tagaras and Zikopoulos, 2008)

Supply chain consisting of a central remanufacturing facility and a multiple collection sites.

The central units are suitable for remanufacturing before disassembly.

Stochastic optimization model aiming at the maximization of the expected annual profit function.



general closed loop supply chain network - Amin and Zhang (2012)

- supply chain network that includes manufacturer, disassembly, refurbishing, and disposal sites.
- two-phase integrated model including a multi objective mixed-integer linear programming model to determine
 - which suppliers and refurbishing sites should be selected (strategic decisions)
 - and find out the optimal number of parts and products in the network (tactical decisions).



General comprehensive model for strategic closed-loop supply chain network design under data uncertainty - Hasani et al. (2012)

Various assumptions :

- multiple periods, multiple products with bills of materials, and multiple supply chain echelons
- uncertain demand and purchasing cost.

The model assumptions are well matched with decision making environments of food and high-tech electronics manufacturing industries.

Experiments are conducted using LINGO 8 to demonstrate its efficiency.



Multilevel multiperiodic model for reverse logistics network design.

Alumur et al. (2012)

Framework is justified by a case study in the context of reverse logistics network design for washing machines and tumble dryers in Germany.

The MIP model is solved using a commercial solver. Extensive parametric and scenario analysis are conducted to illustrate the potential benefits of using a dynamic model and to derive a number of managerial insights.

Table 1: Characteristics of reviewed papers in reverse logistics network design

Article	Activity			Types of layers						
	Product Recovery	Material Recovery	Waste management	Collection	Inspection	Refurbish	Repair	Disassembly	Recycling	Disposal
Eskandarpour et al. (2013)	*	*	*	*			*			*
Amin and Zhang (2012)	*	*	*			*		*		*
Amin and Zhang (2012)	*	*	*	*			*	*	*	*
Lieckens and Vandaele (2012)	*	*	*	*	*		*			
Das (2012)	*	*					*			
Pishvae and Torabi (2010)	*	*		*			*		*	
Alumur et al. (2012)	*	*		*	*		*			
Ramezani et al. (2013)	*		*	*						*
Lee et al. (2010)	*			*						
Pishvae et al. (2011)	*			*			*			
Vidovic et al. (2011)	*			*					*	
Zarandi et al. (2011)	*			*						
Kannan et al. (2012)	*			*			*			*
Hasani et al. (2012)	*			*						
Nenes and Nikolaidis (2012)	*						*			
Piplani and Saraswat (2012)	*			*			*			
Kannan et al. (2010)		*	*	*					*	*
Wang and Hsu (2010)		*						*		
Zarei et al. (2010)		*		*				*		
Ye et al. (2011)		*		*					*	
Dat et al. (2012)			*	*			*	*	*	*

Capture rectangulaire

(1) Although reverse logistics can be a significant tool of sustainable development, there may also be some conflicts between economic, environmental and social issues.

For example, activities such as product recovery could lead to higher greenhouse gas emissions which is in contradiction with the environmental goal of sustainable development (Chaabane et al., 2012).

Hence, idealistic models should consider simultaneously all of the sustainable development aspects.



Concluding remarks on this section (2)

Reverse logistics contributes to sustainable development even if SD factors are not explicitly included into the model :

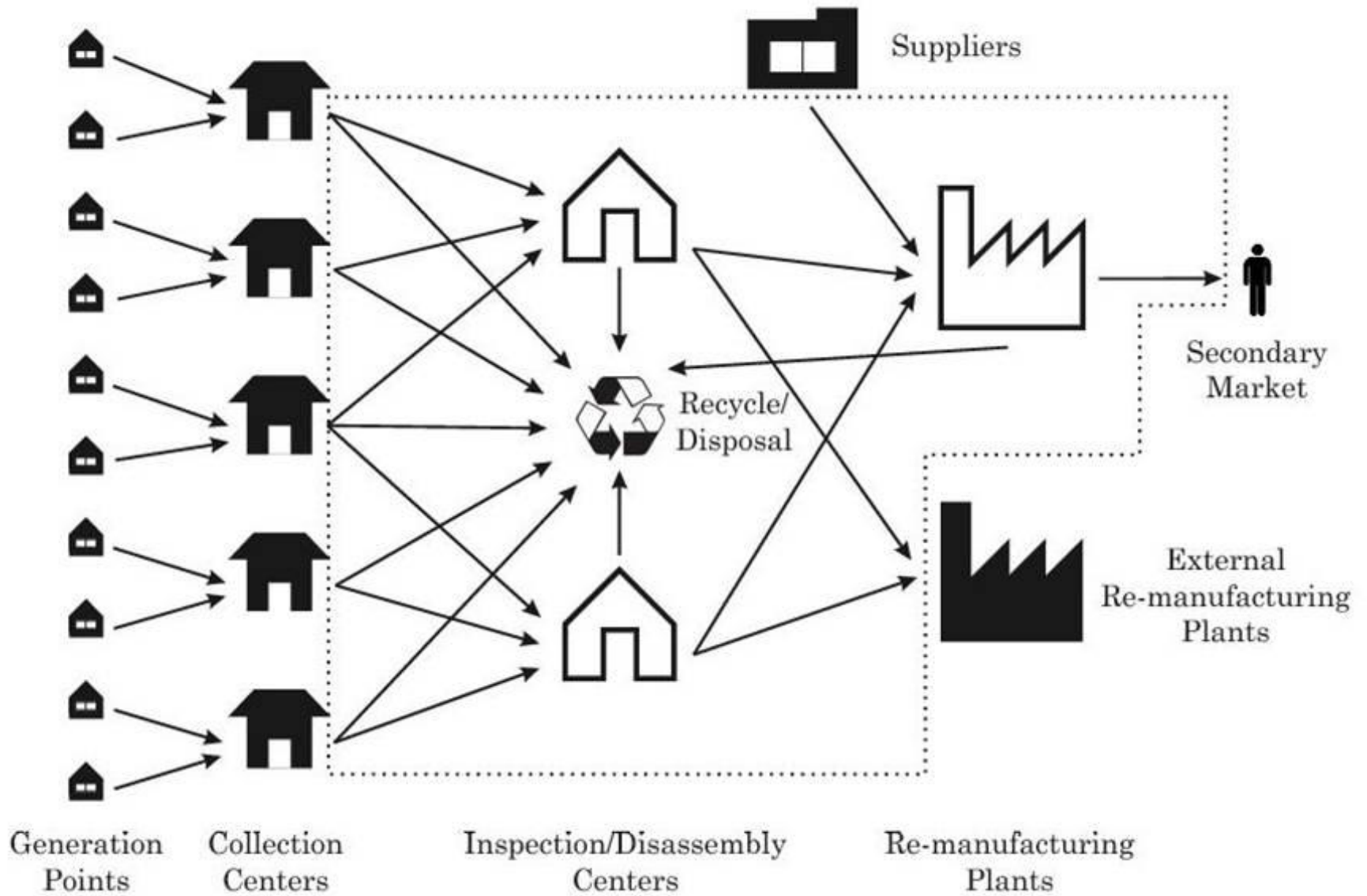
- cost reduction
- materials savings
- Energy saving and pollution reduction (?)
- Social factors : quality of life



Example

Multi-period reverse logistics network design

Sibel A. Alumur, Stefan Nickel,
Francisco Saldanha-da-Gama, Vedat Verter
EJOR 220 (2012) 67–78





Problem description

Configuration of the reverse logistics network :

- determination of the optimal sites and capacities of collection centers, inspection centers, remanufacturing facilities, and/ or recycling plants.
- profit maximization modeling framework for reverse logistics network design problems. We present a
- mixed-integer linear programming formulation that is flexible to incorporate most of the reverse network structures plausible in practice.
- multi-period setting in order to consider the possibility of making future adjustments in the network configuration to allow gradual changes in the network structure and in the capacities of the facilities.



- multi-commodity formulation
- reverse bill of materials in order to capture component commonality among different products and to have the flexibility to incorporate all plausible means in tackling product returns.
- framework justified by a case study in the context of reverse logistics network design for washing machines and tumble dryers in Germany.
- extensive parametric and scenario analysis to illustrate the potential benefits of using a dynamic model and also to derive a number of managerial insights.

Notations - Sets

P	set of products (disposals)
C	set of components
C_p	set of components for product $p \in P$ ($C_p \subset C$)
T	set of periods in the planning horizon
I^G	set of generation points or collection centers
I^I	set of potential locations for inspection centers
I^R	set of potential locations for remanufacturing plants
R^G	recycling node for collection centers
R^I	recycling node for inspection centers
R^R	recycling node for remanufacturing plants
ER	external remanufacturing plants
SM	secondary market
Q^I	set of capacities of the modules available for inspection centers
Q^R	set of capacities of the modules available for remanufacturing plants

Revenues

- PRG_p^t unit revenue from product $p \in P$ recycled from a collection center in period $t \in T$
- PRI_c^t unit revenue from component $c \in C$ recycled from an inspection center in period $t \in T$
- PRR_c^t unit revenue from component $c \in C$ recycled from a remanufacturing plant in period $t \in T$
- PER_{ip}^t unit revenue from product $p \in P$ sold to an external remanufacturing plant at $i \in ER$ in period $t \in T$
- PSM_p^t unit revenue from product $p \in P$ sold to the secondary market in period $t \in T$

Costs

Costs

FI_i^t	set-up cost for installing an inspection center at $i \in I^I$ in the beginning of period $t \in T$
FR_i^t	set-up cost for installing a remanufacturing plant at $i \in I^R$ in the beginning of period $t \in T$
FKI_{iq}^t	set-up cost for a module of type $q \in Q^I$ to be added to an inspection center located at $i \in I^I$ in period $t \in T$
FKR_{iq}^t	set-up cost for a module of type $q \in Q^R$ to be added to a remanufacturing plant located at $i \in I^R$ in period $t \in T$
OI_{ip}^t	cost for operating one unit of product $p \in P$ in an inspection center $i \in I^I$ in period $t \in T$
OR_{ip}^t	cost for producing one unit of product $p \in P$ in a remanufacturing plant $i \in I^R$ in period $t \in T$
T_{ijp}^t	unit transportation cost of product $p \in P$ (component $p \in C$) from $i \in I^G$ to $j \in I^I$, or $i \in I^I$ to $j \in I^R$ in period $t \in T$
IC_{ic}^t	unit inventory holding cost for component $c \in C$ in a remanufacturing plant $i \in I^R$ in period $t \in T$
BC_{ic}^t	cost of purchasing one unit of component $c \in C$ for remanufacturing plant $i \in I^R$ in period $t \in T$

Decision variables

Decision variables

x_{ijp}^t amount of product $p \in P$ (component $p \in C$) shipped from site i to site j , $(i,j) \in A$, in period $t \in T$

I_{ic}^t amount of component $c \in C$ hold in inventory in remanufacturing plant $i \in I^R$ in the end of period $t \in T$

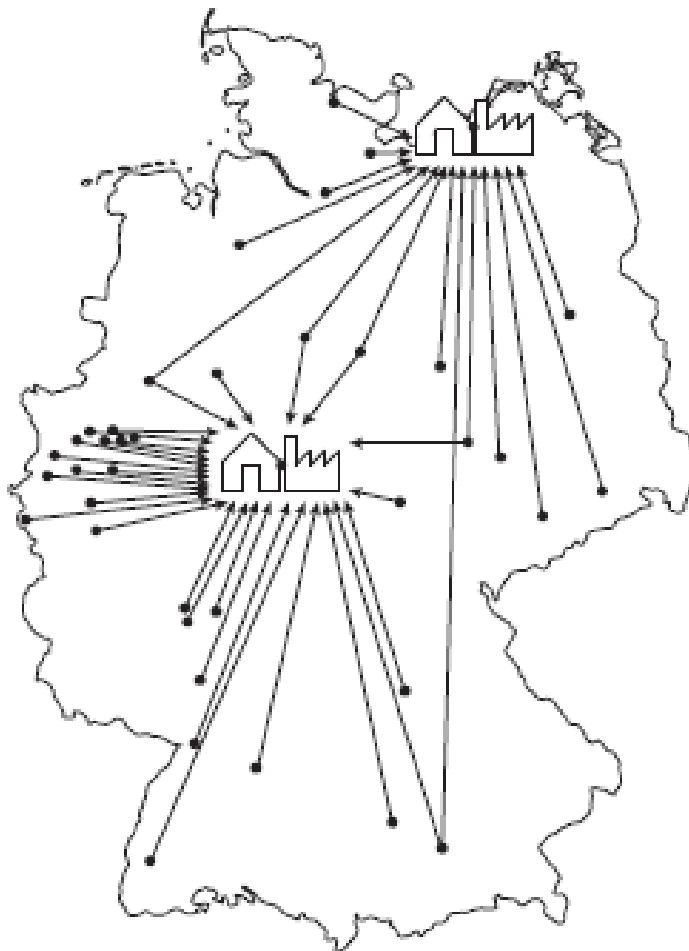
b_{ic}^t amount of component $c \in C$ purchased for remanufacturing plant $i \in I^R$ in the beginning of period $t \in T$

$y_i^t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If an inspection center } i \in I^I \text{ is operating in period } t \in T, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$

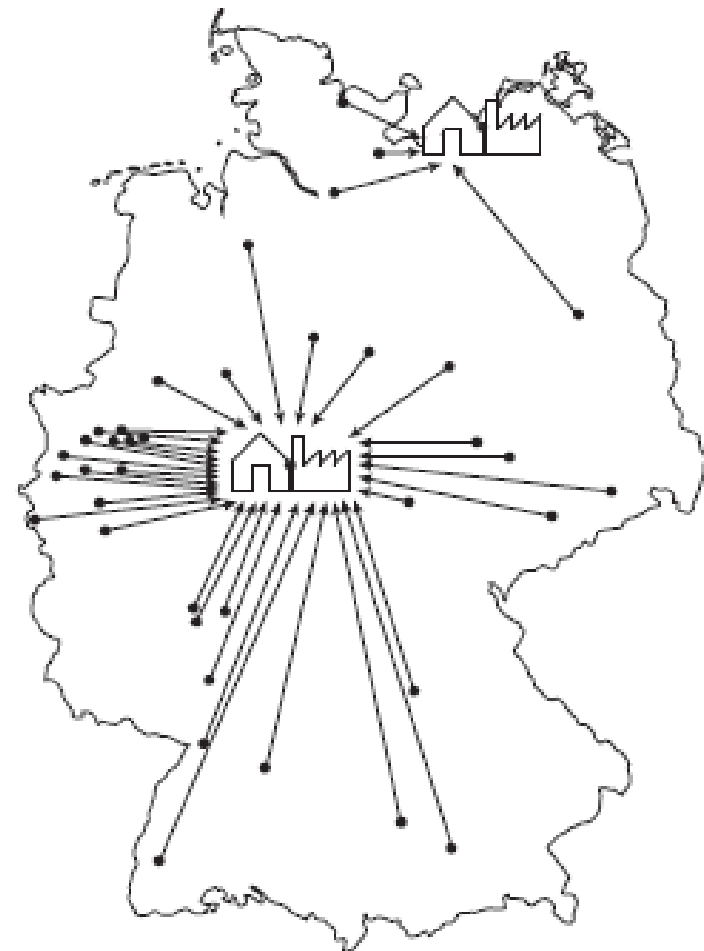
$z_i^t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If a remanufacturing plant } i \in I^R \text{ is operating in period } t \in T, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

$u_{iq}^t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If a module of type } q \in Q^I \text{ is added to an inspection center } \\ & i \in I^I, \text{ in the beginning of period } t \in T, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$

$v_{iq}^t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If a module of type } q \in Q^R \text{ is added to a remanufacturing center } \\ & i \in I^R, \text{ in the beginning of period } t \in T, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$



(a): End of period 1



(b): End of period 5

Fig. 2. A solution of the problem.

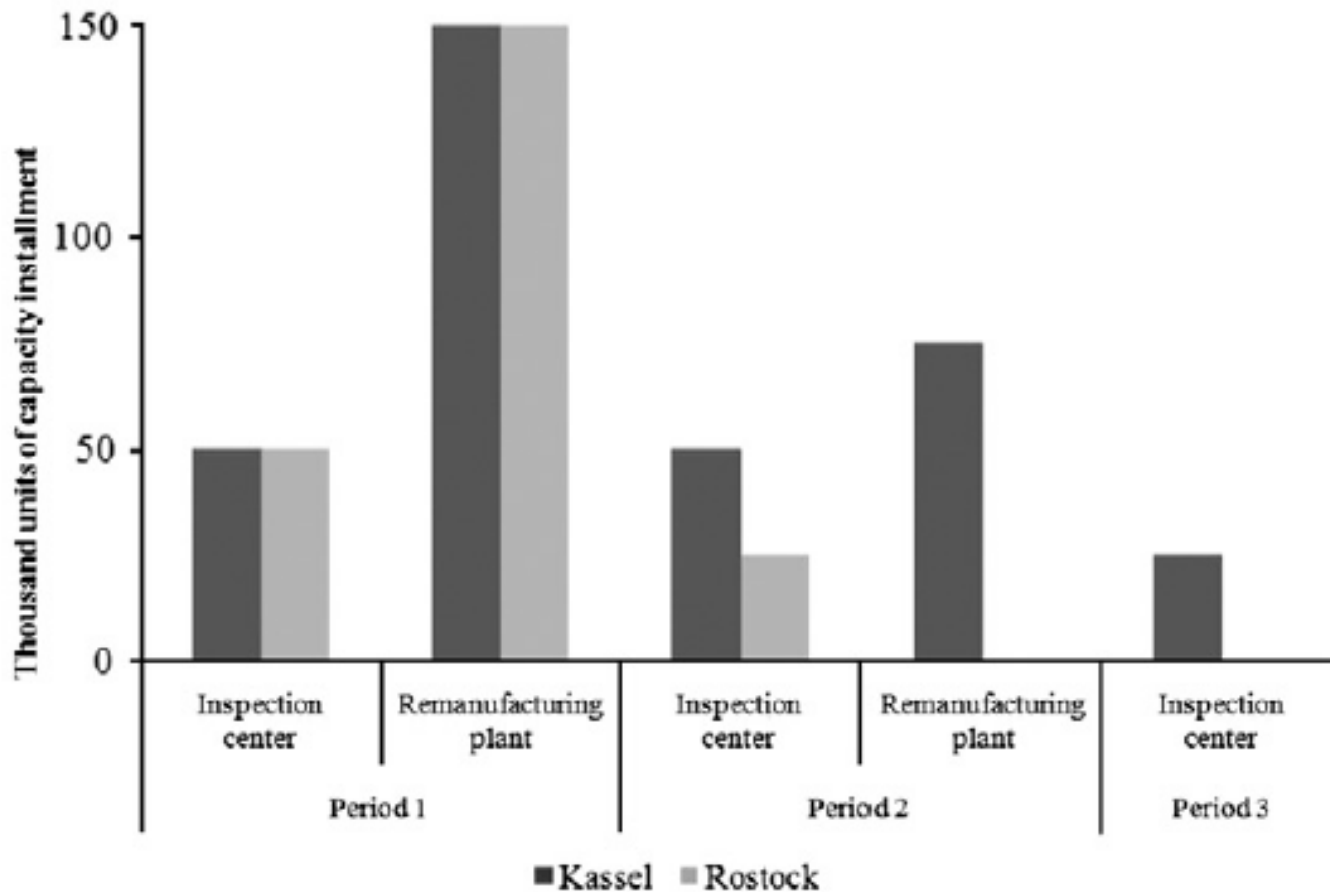


Fig. 3. Capacity installment decisions in the solution.

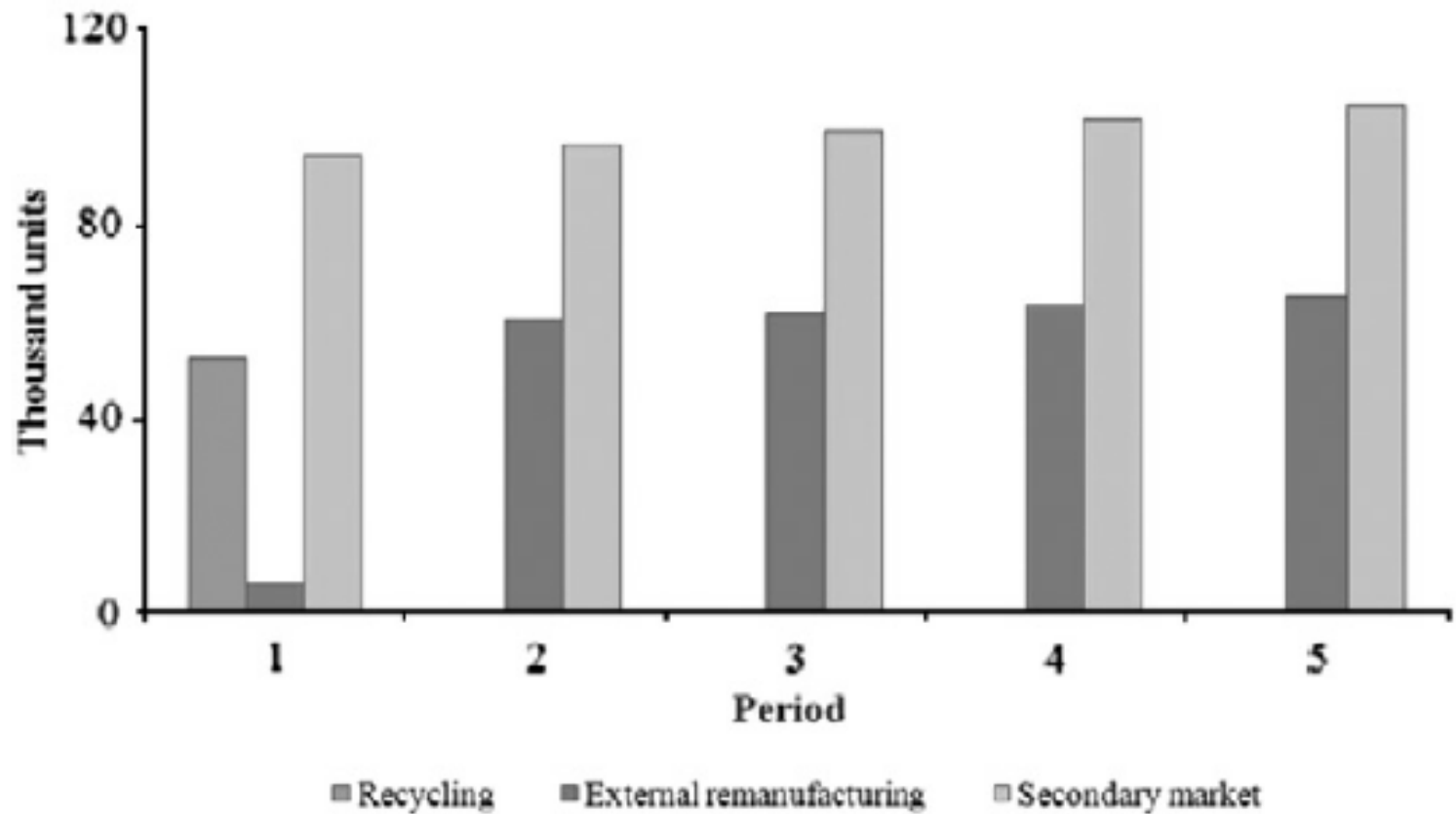


Fig. 4. Flows.

4. models for RL network design integrating sustainable development.



Factors generally considered :

- Economic factors : costs, revenue
- Environmental factors :
 - GRG emissions
 - Wastes generated
 - Energy use
 - Material recovery
- Social Factors
 - Labor



Modelling approaches :

- single objective models :
 - Linear, non linear, multiproduct, period, mode
 - deterministic / stochastic models

- Multiobjective models :
 - deterministic, stochastic
 - Social Factors
 - Labor

Solution methods :

- single objective models
 - heuristic, metaheuristics
 - Lagrangian relaxation

- Multi-objective models
 - weighted sum of objectives
 - Epsilon – constraint
 - Goal programming
 - Meta heuristics (genetic, memetic, VNS)



Applications :

- waste management
- steel and aluminum
- tires
- medical items
- white goods
- plastics
- electronic devices
- paper



Domestic wastes treatment

Berger et al. (1999)

- Comprehensive multiperiodic MIP model for the strategic design and tactical planning of an integrated regional solid waste management planning.
- several types of treatment technologies and sites for treatment and landfilling,
- possibility of recycling wastes on markets.
- several environmental parameters and indicators may be used.

The model has been solved using a commercial solver and applied to the Montreal area and two french departments.



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5. Conclusions and perspectives

- **increasing concern for reverse logistics** in a variety of contexts, many recent works.
- **a lot of scientific works** already produced for open and closed loops logistics at all levels of planning.
- Integration of **sustainable development** factors is growing
- need for **generic models** as well as **specialized models**
- need to **develop models** focussed on **real applications**
- need to develop **very efficient techniques** especially for models integrating forward and reverse flows.
- need to study **sustainable complex supply chains...**

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Etat de l'art
*des problèmes de conception des réseaux
logistiques*
dans le contexte du développement durable.

Thanks, Merci !

Questions ?