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Over the past two decades, the increase in the size and complexity of logistics and transportation networks has been accompanied by a similar growth in the amount of data available to decision makers. This growth is largely fueled by developments in information technologies, in particular the widespread use of sensors, tracking devices, and mobile communication equipment. The abundance of up-to-date information not only improves visibility and traceability but also creates opportunities for the development of decision-support tools to improve the design, planning and control of logistics and transportation activities.

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