MARE: Semantic Supply Chain Disruption Management and Resilience Evaluation Framework

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Abstract: Supply Chains (SCs) are subject to disruptive events that potentially hinder the operational performance. Disruption Management Process (DMP) relies on the analysis of integrated heterogeneous data sources such as production scheduling, order management and logistics to evaluate the impact of disruptions on the SC. Existing approaches are limited as they address DMP process steps and corresponding data sources in a rather isolated manner which hurdles the systematic handling of a disruption originating anywhere in the SC. Thus, we propose MARE a semantic disruption management and resilience evaluation framework for integration of data sources included in all DMP steps, i.e. <u>Monitor/Model, Assess, Recover and Evaluate</u>. MARE, leverages semantic technologies i.e. ontologies, knowledge graphs and SPARQL queries to model and reproduce SC behavior under disruptive scenarios. Also, MARE includes an evaluation framework to examine the restoration performance of a SC applying various recovery strategies. Semantic SC DMP, put forward by MARE, allows stakeholders to potentially identify the measures to enhance SC integration, increase the resilience of supply networks and ultimately facilitate digitalization.

1 INTRODUCTION

In highly globalized and complex SCs, performance analysis is essential as the change in behavior due to disruptive events does not only affect one organization but a highly connected network (Singh et al., 2019). The importance of systematic Disruption Management for Supply Chains was just recently again stressed in the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, but also already earlier in the light of events such as natural disasters, transportation blockages, sanctions etc. Therefore, a vast share of enterprises rely on a Disruption Management Process (DMP) to monitor, model, assess and recover from disruptions.

The management and the evaluation of disruptions and their consequences on the SC require the integration of various distributed data sources, e.g. from manufacturing, order and inventory management. SC semantic models, i.e. ontologies, enable SC data integration by providing a common and explicit understanding for business-related concepts (Pal, 2019). Existing approaches address core DMP aspects but still in an isolated form, hence, limiting integrated SC behavioral analysis. Compared to previous work, our main contribution in this paper is MARE, MARE is a semantic disruption management and resilience evaluation framework, to integrate data covered by all DMP steps <u>Monitor/Model</u>, <u>Assess</u>, <u>Recover and Evaluate</u>.

MARE leverages a disruption ontology to model disruptive events and a knowledge-graph to represent specific disaster scenarios and the entailed effect on the SC. MARE includes production scheduling data and disruption knowledge-graphs to detect the implication of the disruption on the SC operations, during the assessment phase. Thus, MARE implements SPARQL-based recovery strategies to resolve the impairment caused by the disruption. Moreover, MARE incorporates a semantic evaluation framework to quantify the effect of recovery in terms of cost and delay on the SC. Based on the evaluation results, and the recovery behavior analysis, SC stakeholders potentially make decisions to redesign the SC or establish new operational strategies ensuring a more re-

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silient SC.

As a result, companies can rely on MARE to integrate SC data sources to model and map the SC behavior, to examine the effect of disruption and the consequences of applying various mitigation strategies. Ultimately, we deem that better simulation and analysis, as put forward by MARE, will contribute to mastering more complex SC scenarios, control disruption accelerators e.g. the bullwhip effect and increase the resilience of supply networks.

The remainder of the paper is divided as follows: first we introduce the background of the DMP and existing semantic implementation for SC disruption handling in Section 2 and the motivation behind our proposed work. Second, we present MARE in Section 3, a framework to semantically model and manage disruptions and evaluate SC resilience. In Section 4, we elaborate on MARE's semantic artifacts to model and assess disruptions, i.e, the first two stages of DMP. In Section 5, we introduce SPARQLbased recovery strategies to restore the SC to the predisruption behavior. Also, we propose an evaluation framework to analyze recovery performance. In Section 6, we evaluate MARE to simulate the behavior of a synthetic SC under various exemplary disrupted events. Finally, we conclude and present an outlook for further steps to extend MARE in Section 7.

2 BACKGROUND AND RELATED WORK

2.1 Supply Chain Disruption Management Process

SC disruptions as described by (Craighead et al., 2007) are events that modify the flow of goods and materials, hindering the SC's overall objective to produce and deliver services and goods to end-customers. In fact, (Blackhurst et al., 2005) define SC DMP as the process to discover the disruptive event, recover from the effect and potentially redesign the system triggered by recovery learning outcomes. Namely, discovery refers to the point in time when SC stakeholders become aware of the disruption (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013). Then, disruption modeling of the system dynamics, e.g. via Petri nets, in simulation tools, is essential in order to analyze expected consequences and effects of the discovered event (Bugert and Lasch, 2018). For instance, (Jaenichen et al., 2021) rely on the system dynamics simulation model implemented in AnyLogic 8 tool (Ismail and Ehm, 2021) to demonstrate the behavior of a multi-echelon SC responding

to different end market scenarios.

Further, SC stakeholders choose the most effective recovery strategy to minimize the impacts of the disruption (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013). Thus, the recovery performance analysis evaluates the SC ability to repair and return to the pre-disruption phase. Based on the evaluation's learning effects, SC stakeholders can rethink the SC design and operation processes and potentially decide on changes allowing more resilience e.g. increasing production capacity or applying a multiple sourcing strategy. The ability to both resist disruptions and recover the operational capability after disruptions occur, is defined as SC Resilience (Simbizi et al., 2021).

DMP entails the integration of highly heterogeneous data sources. (Samaranayake, 2005) elaborate that the integration provides visibility, flexibility and maintainability of SC components. Consequently, stakeholders can make more informative decisions towards enhancing SC performance and increasing resilience. For instance, (Simchi-Levi et al., 2015) integrate data from bill of material, part routing, inventory levels, and plant volumes to map the SC and accordingly assess the impact of a disruption originating anywhere on product manufacturing and delivery. Also, (Sabouhi et al., 2018) examine data from raw materials procurement along with inventory management systems to test the effect of various strategies in establishing resilience. (Ivanov and Dolgui, 2020) add that SC digital twins enable integration to discover the link between SC disruption and performance deterioration. Namely, semantic models, one sort of digital twins, facilitate information exchange and allow SCs to reach full and agile information integration.

2.2 Semantic SC Disruption Management

In (ASCM, 2021) the authors explain that the view of SCs is based on internal data and seemingly relies on siloed or outdated data-sets. Consequently, detecting emerging threats or calculating how disruption will unfold across the whole SCs and business units is generally possible but to a rather limited extent. However, semantic modeling of SCs allows to overcome the siloed paradigm and to blend and consolidate data from dispersed data sources (Ye et al., 2008).

There exist several articles in the literature that devise semantic implementations to analyze SC performance during disruptions. (Emmenegger et al., 2012) create an ontology model to monitor and model risks, give early warning and propose a procedure for assessing impacts on SC. Also, (Palmer et al., 2018) present an ontology-supported risk assessment approach for a resilient configuration of supply networks. Moreover, (Singh et al., 2019) provides an ontology-based decision support system to intensify the SC resilience during a disruption. Despite these developments, we note that existing approaches address DMP process steps in a rather isolated way, i.e., only one step of the process is incorporated e.g. to model the disruption risk or to assess its impact. Thus, we introduce MARE that, to the best of our knowledge, is the first work to integrate various data sources incorporated by all the DMP steps to Monitor/Model, Assess, Recover and Evaluate.

3 METHODOLOGY

In this section, we describe our semantic disruption management and resilience evaluation framework, MARE. Moreover, we elaborate on MARE's semantic artifacts i.e., ontologies, knowledge graphs and SPARQL to implement the DMP. As shown in Figure 1, the DMP starts with Monitoring and Modeling SC disruptions. This phase is to discover the event that disrupts the SC and to create a semantic model incorporating the disruption's attributes e.g. severity, cause and duration. We rely on the Disruption Ontology model, where the information is represented in the form of RDF triples¹, to establish a common understanding of a disruption event. Consequently, we create a specific instance of a disruption event i.e. Disruption Knowledge Graph (KG). The output of the Monitor/Model process step, the Disruption KG, is used in the following step to assess the effect of the disruption on the SC.

The target of a SC is to fulfill end-customers' demand. Namely, SC planning defines a scheduled capacity allocation for products among production facilities as well as the needed parts among suppliers i.e., *Supply Plan.* In previous work (Ramzy et al., 2021), we devised a semantic model for demand, production scheduling data and corresponding supply plan as follows:

• **Demand:** SC demand is represented by the triples of the following form *Customer makes Order*. An order includes details about the product, delivery time and quantity: *Order hasProduct Product, Order hasDeliveryTime xsd:dateTime* and *Order hasQuantity xsd:integer*. Based on the customer segmentation paradigm, customers are given a priority, entailing a certain sequence in demand fulfillment, i.e., *Customer hasPriority* xsd:integer.

• Supply Plan: A supply plan is defined as the allocation of demand for parts among suppliers or the allocation of demand for products among production facilities (Sawik, 2019). Order hasSupplyPlan Plan and Plan needsPartner Partner describe the needed SC partners to fulfill this order. Each partner is responsible for providing a product, i.e. << Plan needsPartner Partner >> getsProduct Product at a certain time hasTimeStamp xsd:date. The mentioned product can either be the final product or intermediary parts used to manufacture the final product. The quantity and the price are modeled using hasQuantity xsd:double and hasUnitPrice xsd:double

Disrupted SC partners potentially cannot fulfill their role in the plan, which affects the whole SC performance. Therefore, during the disruption **Assessment** phase, we leverage queries adhering to the W3C SPARQL standard to identify affected SC partners that are located in the same regions as the disruptions and who participate in the supply plan at the same time of the disruption (as described in detail in Section 4). In this process step, we integrate data sources from production scheduling (*Supply Plan*) and disruption models (*Disruption KG*) to output the *Disrupted Supply Plan*.

The following step in the DMP is to apply **Recovery** strategies to attempt a return to the pre-disruption performance of the SC. In this phase, we rely on SPARQL endpoints to integrate data from production scheduling, order processing, inventory management, and suppliers assignment in order to find alternative allocations for the disrupted plans. The output of this step is one or more proposed *Recovered Supply Plans* that include the updated scheduled allocations.

The last step of the DMP is to *Evaluate* the SC recovery performance. We propose a resilience **Evaluation** framework based on SPARQL queries to examine the time and the cost entailed by the *Recovered Supply Plan* and required for the SC to return to the pre-disruption state. In fact, SC stakeholders rely on this evaluation to potentially identify needs to redesign SC or apply new operational strategies e.g. supplier diversification.

4 SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTION MODELING AND ASSESSMENT

In this section, we present the first two steps of MARE to model and assess the effect of monitored disruptions on the SC.

¹https://www.w3.org/TR/rdf-concepts/



Figure 1: Overview in the MARE semantic disruption management and resilience evaluation framework.

4.1 Modeling Disruption

4.1.1 Disruption Ontology

We propose the *Disruption Ontology* shown in Figure 2 to establish a model for disruptive events. The ontology is based on RDF where the information is represented in triples. First, a triple of the following form *Disruption hasCause Cause*, describes the main cause that led to the disruption. In fact, (Messina et al., 2020) classifies disruption causes as internal and external. The first is caused by events happening within internal boundaries and the business control of the organizations e.g. malfunctioning of a machine or inventory corruption. While the latter is driven by events either upstream or downstream in the SC e.g. supplier insufficient capacity, interruptions to the flow of product, or significant increase/decrease in demand.

Moreover, disruptions impact various SC scopes e.g. production, logistics, inventory (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013). This, is reflected by triples of the form: Cause hasScope xsd:string. Additionally, the structure Disruption hasSeverity xsd:string incorporates financial losses caused by the disruption and their effect on the reduction or elimination of the production quantities. Further, disruption events can be of short or long duration. We use the following triple representation to model the disruption beginning and end Disruption hasBeginDate xsd:date and Disruption hasEndDate xsd:date. Also, we use Disruption hasLocation Location to represent the geographical location where the disruption occurs. We rely on geo-coordinates system to resolve locations using the properties hasLongitude, hasLatitude.



Figure 2: Overview on the core concepts of the Disruption Ontology for modeling disruptive event characteristics.

In fact, classifying the modeled characteristics of the disruption enables SC stakeholders to determine suitable recovery strategies for this event. For example, in case of an external disruption due to the lack of a supplier's capacity, the recovery means can be to find an alternative supplier. Whereas, to recover from an internal malfunctioning machinery within an own facility, one needs to fix it by retrieving spare parts from a machine of the same brand.

4.1.2 Instantiated Examples

The proposed disruption ontology incorporates disruption attributes to create a specific instantiation of a disruption event, represented by the *Disruption KG*. We present in Table 1 various examples from past events to highlight possible variations in disruptions in terms of cause, scope, location, duration and severity.

Table 1: Disruption examples and corresponding triple representation.

Tripler	Dicranti	·harCauro	tharScone	that location	·harRoginDato/	harSover		
Triples	on	.nasc ause	.nasscope	.nasLocation	:hasEndDate	ity		
Example								
Closing of Amazon	:Disr1	Capacity	Production	Kentucky,	26.03.2020/	Medium		
warehouse due to the COVID-19		Shortage		USA	01.04.2020			
outbreak (Srinivas and Marathe, 2021)								
Fire in the Philips	:Disr2	Fire	Production	Albuquerqu	17.03.2001/	Low		
semiconductor				e, USA	17.03.2001			
plant (Sheffi and Rice Jr, 2005)				-				
Discovery of	:Disr3	Contamin	Inventory	Massachuse	16.06.2009/	Medium		
Vesivirus2117 in		ation		tts, USA	19.06.2009			
Genzyme in a		issues						
bioreactors in plant								
and its stock								
inventory (Tomlin and Wang, 2011)								
Halt on the Suez	:Disr4	Block in	Logistics	Suez Canal,	15.10.2004/0	High		
Canal Sony gaming		transport	-	Egypt	1.12.2004/	-		
lead to supply		ation						
shortage (Romeike and Hager, 2020)		mode						
Production halt at	:Disr5	Supply	Production	Germany	01.01.2021/	High		
BMW in some		Shortage			Unknown			
plants due to								
semiconductor chip								
shortage (Reuters,2021)								
Pigment shortage	:Disr6	Supply	Production	Japan	01.01.2011/	Medium		
hits Auto		Shortage			28.02.2011			
Makers after								
Tsunami (Canis,2011)								

:Disr1 is an example of capacity scarcity caused by labor shortage after a COVID-19 outbreak that led to a complete shutdown of production lasting four days. :Disr2 shows a very short disruption, as the fire lasted for 10 minutes and the physical damages were minimal i.e., the severity is low. Further, the medium contamination described by :Disr3 affected not only the production plant but also the stockpile inventory.

Moreover, due to a halt in maritime transportation mode caused by a blockage in the Suez Canal, Sony sales dropped from 70,000 a week to around 6,000, i.e. : Disr4. In fact, supply shortage includes scarcity in raw material or any event (bankruptcy, over-demand) that leads to a reduction or discontinuation in supply. In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, automotive industry suffered from substantial drop in demand that led to slowing their semiconductor orders. Meanwhile, the semiconductor manufacturers faced a significant increase in demand due to the rising need for personal computers, servers, and equipment while their own facilities were shutting down because of COVID-19 outbreaks (Burkacky et al., 2021). For instance, :Disr5 representing overdemand, halted production and unstable orders, leads BMW to recognize a loss of 30,000 units in production so far in 2021. This disruption has an undefined end date. Similarly, :Disr6 models the missing color pigments produced by factories in Japan affected by the Tsunami in 2011. : Disr6 has medium severity since car manufacturers limit ordering vehicles only in specific shades.

4.2 Disruption Assessment and Effect

After identifying and modeling the disruption, the following step is to assess the impact. SC disruptions potentially hurdle SC entities from achieving operational goals i.e. fulfilling end customers orders. We leverage data from production scheduling and order processing i.e. *Supply Plan* along with the modeled disruption from the previous step i.e. the *Disruption Knowledge Graph*.

The first step to assess the disruption effect is to identify the SC partners that are part of a supply plan, yet fall within the disruption location and time frame. Listing 1^2 retrieves and labels SC partners and corresponding *Disrupted Supply Plan*. Also, the effect of the disruption is defined by how many supply plans are affected. We insert *Disruption affectsPlan xsd:integer* i.e. the count of disrupted plans identified in Listing 1.

Listing 1: Identify Disrupted Partners.

```
INSERT {
 ?plan :isDisrupted 'True' .
  <<?plan :needsPartner ?partner>>
    :isDisrupted 'True'.
  ?disruption :affectsPartner ?partner.}
WHERE {
  <<?plan
             :needsPartner ?partner>>
    :hasTimeStamp ?t.
  ?partner
           :hasLongitude ?long .
  ?partner
              :hasLatitude ?lat
 ?disruption :hasLatitude ?latitude .
 ?disruption :hasLongitude ?longitude.
  ?disruption :hasStartTime ?start .
  ?disruption :hasEndTime
                            ?end .
FILTER (?t>=?start && ?t<?end &&
  ?longit=?long && ?lat=?latitude)
```

The second step is to size the effect of the disruption on the disrupted SC partners. The severity of the disruption determines the impact of the event on the partner's capacity to fulfill the supply plan. For simplicity, we model the severity as a numerical factor that shows the reduction in production capacities caused by the disruption. As shown in Listing 2, the pre-disruption allocated quantity is reduced by the severity factor. The difference between the original and the reduced quantities represents the quantity to be supplied or produced by alternative partners and means.

```
Listing 2: Determine Disruption Impact.
SELECT * WHERE {
  <<?plan :needsPartner ?partner>>
                    'True' ;
    :isDisrupted
                    ?product ;
    :getsProduct
    :hasTimeStamp
                    ?t ;
    :hasQuantity
                    ?q .
  ?disruption :affectsPartner ?partner .
  ?disruption :hasSeverity
                                ?factor .
BIND (?q*?factor AS ?reduced) .
BIND (?q-?reduced AS ?toRecover)
```

After modeling and assessing the disruption effect on the supply plans, the next steps in the DMP are to implement recovery strategies and evaluate the SC resilience and recovery performance.

²For simplicity, the query is just using a standard longitude/latitude matching, but in our implementation we actually implemented a geo-spacial rectangular containment matching between supplier and disruption locations.

5 RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE EVALUATION

5.1 Supply Chain Recovery

In this section, we describe the implementation of the third step of MARE i.e., Recovery. Recovery strategies are actions applied to regain the pre-disruption state of the SC, capable of delivering products to customers on time while minimizing the cost. Via integrating data sources about inventory management, resources procurement, supply management and logistics, we aim to recover disrupted supply plans. We present recovery strategies that rely only on the change in the SC planning and do not require any physical modification in the industrial process as the latter are highly dependent on the industry. For instance, increasing production capacity or allowing faster production are not realistic in capital intense or complex industries like semiconductor production. We propose the following SPARQL-based recovery strategies ³ capable of adapting the supply plan depending on the disruption cause and scope. For all the following queries we assume the recovery is for Product P, at time T in quantity Q.

S1: Strategic Stock is defined as a stockpile of inventory that can be used to fulfill demand during a disruption (Tomlin and Wang, 2011). Listing 3 verifies if the partner has strategic stock and returns the required price. We use inventory management data sources to implement this strategy. In fact, storing the strategic stock entails costs for warehousing, labor and insurance.

Listing 3: Strategic Stock Strategy.

S2: Alternative Shipment in case of a disruption affecting the transport mode e.g. flights, trains, a company can switch to another shipment mode to deliver products. The query in Listing 4 retrieves the shipment modes employed by a partner and the entailed costs caused by the change of transportation

modes, usually incorporated in logistics data sources (Messina et al., 2020).

Listing 4: Alternative Shipment Recovery Strategy.

```
SELECT * WHERE {
    :Partner :hasTransportMode ?mode.
    ?mode :hasCost ?cost.
}
```

S3: Delayed Recovery this recovery strategy consists of verifying the status of the disrupted partner in case it can deliver slightly later than planned. Listing 5 checks for five days after the planned delivery time, if a SC partner has enough capacity, lower than saturation, to fulfill the plan. In fact, small delays in deliveries can mitigate financial losses due to disruption (Paul et al., 2019). Whereas, delays greater than five days (a week) potentially lead to fines of great amounts. Production management and scheduling data sources incorporate data about the continuous state of capacity production.

Listing 5: Delayed Recovery Strategy.

SELECT * WHERE {
:Partner :hasCapacity ?cap.
:Partner :hasCapacitySaturation ?sat.
?cap :hasProduct :P.
?cap :hasPrice ?price.
<pre>?cap :hasTimeStamp t_future.</pre>
?cap :hasQuantity ?q.
FILTER (?sat >= ?q + Q && t_future< T+5
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S4: Alternative Supplier this strategy applies in case of an external disruption that hinders the supplier from providing the required products at the time included in the supply plan. In fact, (Sawik, 2019) elaborates that suppliers have production flexibility that allows them to deliver a contingency quantity in case other suppliers fail. However, the alternate source of supply can be more expensive than the firms' primary suppliers, but it is deemed necessary, in order to recover the disrupted supply plan (MacKenzie et al., 2014). To reduce purchasing prices and benefit from the high performance, suppliers that are capable of supplying the same products, are exchangeable (Hofstetter and Grimm, 2019). We model this via the property hasGroup. Listing 6 shows the query to find alternative, exchangeable suppliers that have the capacity (lower than saturation) to provide the same intermediate products or materials, for the same time as the disrupted supplier. We rely on data from supply management and resources procurement to make decisions about suppli-

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³We show only exemplary SPARQL queries for the recovery strategies and refer to the accompanying GitHub repository (MARE, 2022) for the complete set.

ers belonging to the same group and their capacities.

Listing 6: Alternative Supplier Recovery Strategy.

```
SELECT * WHERE{
    Partner :hasGroup ?group.
    ?supplier :hasGroup ?group.
    ?supplier :hasCapacity ?cap.
    ?cap :hasProduct ?p.
    ?cap :hasQuantity ?q.
    ?cap :hasPrice ?price.
    ?cap :hasTimeStamp :T.
    ?supplier :hasCapacitySaturation ?sat.
FILTER ( ?sat>= ?q + Q)
}
```

The output of this phase is a proposed *Recovered Supply Plan* that minimizes recovery delays and costs. We identify a successful recovery as the case where all missing/reduced quantities from disrupted plans are provided alternatively. In this case, we insert the triple in the form *Plan isRecoveredBy xsd:string*, where we explicit which recovery strategy applied.

5.2 Resilience Evaluation Framework

In this section, we introduce step 4 in MARE i.e., the evaluation framework for SC resilience and recovery. Thus, we compare the pre-disruption supply plans to the recovered supply generated in the recovery phase. We rely on the recovery performance evaluation metrics proposed by (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013).

Recovery Cost Increase: is the extra expense caused by the disruption and the recovery as compared to the original price of the pre-disruption supply plans. First we calculate the price of the recovered plan for each order and we retrieve the order original price. By summing the difference, we get the total cost increase for all orders in Listing 7. We do not consider the cost to rebuild anything lost physically as this is included in the severity factor.

Listing 7: Evaluate Recovery Cost Increase.

```
SELECT (SUM(?currentprice -
?originalPrice) as ?costIncrease)
SELECT ?originalPrice (SUM(?price)
as ?currentprice
WHERE {
  ?order :hasPlan
                        ?plan;
  :hasOriginalPrice ?originalPrice.
  <<?plan :needsPartner ?partner>>
                   ?q;
    :hasQuantity
    :hasUnitPrice ?p;
    :hasTimeStamp
                   ?t.
  BIND (?p*q AS ?price)
 GROUP BY(?plan)
}
```

Recovery Speed: is the time taken till recovery is complete i.e., for **S3**, it is the next available day where there is enough production capacity, entailing a new delivery time. In Listing 8, we calculate the number of orders where the delivery time in the supply plan is later than the original delivery time, pre-disruption. These orders are considered late orders, delayed by the difference between the original and the late delivery times.

Listing 8: Evaluate Recovery Speed.

```
SELECT
SUM(IF(?t>dt),1,0)) AS ?lateorders,
SUM(IF(?t<=dt),1,0)) AS ?ontimeorders,
SUM(?t-?dt) AS ?delay
WHERE {
?order :hasPlan ?plan.
?order :hasDeliverDate ?dt.
<<?plan :needsPartner ?partner>>
:hasTimeStamp ?t
}
```

Unsuccessful Recovery: The ultimate goal of the SC is to deliver finished products to end customers, yet the result of disruption caused by unplanned events can be unfulfilled orders as described by (Carvalho et al., 2012). This metric is the count of the supply plans where all missing/reduced quantities from disrupted plans are not provided alternatively i.e., *Plan isRecoveredBy xsd:string* does not exist. This situation occurs in case there is no alternative shipment mode or there was no strategic stock available or if there were no substitute suppliers to supply alternatively. Moreover, when we apply **S3: Delayed Recovery** if there was no free capacity within the next five days, we consider this recovery unsuccessful.

Customer Impact: The previous metrics can be calculated by SC stakeholders to analyze the impact of the disruption on specific customers. Within customer relationship management paradigm, SC decision-makers apply recovery strategies in a way to attempt and reduce the impact of the disruption on high-priority customers.

6 EVALUATION AND DISCUSSION

In this section, we simulate the behavior of an exemplary SC under various disruptions scenarios and evaluate the SC recovery performance.

:Disruption	:has- Duration (days)	:has-Severity	:affects- Plan	Non- Recovered	Cost Increase %	Delay (days)	:isRecoveredBy		
:Disr1	:Disr1 5 Medium: 0.		13	5	0.053 0		Strategic Stock		
				3	0	5	Late Recovery		
:Disr2	1	Low: 0.1	2	1	0.0054	0	Strategic Stock		
				1	0	1	Late Recovery		
:Disr3 3		Medium: 0.3	12	3	0.026	0	Strategic Stock		
				7	0	8	Late Recovery		
:Disr4 45		High: 0.7	27	20	0.17	0	Strategic Stock		
		-		17	0	13	Late Recovery		
:Disr5	100	High: 0.7	124	0	0.32	0	Alternative Supplier		
:Disr6	60	Medium: 0.3	5	0	0.15	0	Alternative Supplier		
:Disr7	4	Medium: 0.3	16	11	0.08	0	Strategic Stock,		
							Alternative Supplier		
				1	0.10	25	Late Recovery,		
							Alternative Supplier		
:Disr8	4	High: 0.7	16	8	0.162	0	Strategic Stock,		
		-					Alternative Supplier		
				3	0.11	29	Late Recovery,		
							Alternative Supplier		

Table 2: Resilience evaluation framework.

6.1 Experimental Setup

The following details the experimental setup for the proposed evaluation.

Supply Chain Structure: We consider a three-tier SC network consisting of one central node, i.e, an OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer) directly linked to four suppliers in supplier tier 1 and four customers in customer tier 1, where C1 is the customer with the highest priority.

Supply Chain Data: We rely on the data generated and provided by the synthetic generator described in the technical report (SC Generator, 2021). We simulate 400 orders and their corresponding supply plans, generated for a time-frame of 178 days, i.e., half a year.

Disruptions: We simulate the disruptions listed in Table 1. :*Disr1-4* have internal causes, accordingly, we apply **S1: Strategic Stock**, **S2: Alternative Shipment**, **S3: Delayed Recovery** consecutively. While :*Disr5* and :*Disr6* are external, i.e., affecting suppliers, thus we apply **S4: Alternative Supplier**. Additionally, we create :*Disr7,8* that occur internally and externally, thus we rely on a combination of the mentioned recovery strategies. Moreover, for conciseness, we show *hasDuration* which represents the length of the disruption in days, i.e, *hasEndDate* minus *has-BeginDate*. The OEM in question relies on one transportation mode thus we cannot apply **S3: Alternative Shipment**.

6.2 Results

We propose a resilience evaluation framework as shown in Table 2 that incorporates the disruption characteristics i.e. duration, severity and the number of affected plans. Also, the framework includes the recovery metrics to evaluate the number of non-recovered plans i.e., unsuccessful recovery, the percentage of total cost increase and the delay. From the results in Table 2, we note that applying the strategic stock

Table 3: Customer impact evaluation with C1: customer with highest priority.

:Disruption	:affects-Plan			Non-Recovered			Cost Increase %			Delay						
					01	62	62			62	<i>a</i> 2			62	62	
	CI	C2	C3	C4	CI	C2	C3	C4	CI	C2	C3	C4	CI	C2	C3	C4
:Disr1	5	4	2	2	1	2	1	1	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.09	0	0	0	0
	5	4	2	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0
:Disr2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
:Disr3	3	3	3	3	0	0	1	2	0.07	0.21	0.55	0.3	0	0	0	0
	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	0
:Disr4	8	7	7	5	3	5	7	5	0.07	0.3	0.114	0.5	0	0	0	0
	8	7	7	5	1	4	7	5	0	0	0	0	7	6	0	0
:Disr5	12	24	37	51	0	0	0	0	0.6	2.44	4.65	6.99	0	0	0	0
:Disr6	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0.04	0.1	0.18	0.37	0	0	0	0
:Disr7	4	4	4	4	1	3	3	4	0.015	0.03	0.04	0.41	0	0	0	0
	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.6	8	6	6	5
:Disr8	4	4	4	4	0	2	3	3	0.13	0.14	0.2	0.36	0	0	0	0
	4	4	4	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0.6	6	6	6	11

strategy leads to an increase in cost, whereas applying late recovery leads to delays in delivery. This impact varies based on the duration and the severity of the disruption as well as the number of affected plans. For instance, :Disr2 has a duration of one day and a low severity affecting only two plans, thus the cost increase and the delays entailed are minimal. However, :Dis1 and :Disr3 have medium severity and a duration of three and five days respectively, therefore, the cost and delay are more significant than in :Disr2. Likewise, :Disr4 has a high severity and lasts for 45 days affecting 27 plans. Consequently the entailed cost and delay are higher than the previously mentioned disruptions. Also, we note that for :Disr5 and :Disr6, there is a significant cost increase, since alternative suppliers can be more expensive than the firms' primary suppliers.

In case a disruption affects internally and externally :*Disr7* and :*Disr8*, there is a cost increase due to finding alternative suppliers and a delay in case of later recovery application. (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013) explain that the longer it takes to fully recover, the more expensive the entire recovery process is likely to be. The delays caused by :*Disr8* are bigger than :*Disr7*. Thus, the cost increase is greater as with high severity disruptions, the consequences are more severe.

In order for stakeholders to make more informed decisions, they can rely on the customer impact analysis as shown in Table 3 to examine the corresponding impact on specific customers. Consequently, they can decide which recovery strategy or combination of several to apply.

It is important that while applying recovery strategies, orders made by customers with high priorities whose plans are disrupted, are recovered first. Therefore, we note that high-priority customers (C1) have fewer non-recovered plans. Therefore, their corresponding cost increase is higher than low-priority customers. Moreover, customers with low priority have longer delays because more important customers are recovered before, it might take more time periods to find the needed quantity to recover.

6.3 Impact and Discussion

MARE is used to simulate the SC behavior under various disruption scenarios. SC stakeholders can make informed decisions based on the performance analysis to redesign into a more resilient SC coping with unexpected events. We provide the following managerial insights:

- · Behavior analysis, put forward by MARE, enables SC stakeholders to decide on creating or modifying existing strategies. In fact, some recovery strategies are only applicable in case preimplementation approaches are established. For instance, the OEM in the shown simulation did not support any alternative shipment mode, and consequently S3 was not viable. Similarly, a company can only apply S4: Alternative Supplier if the company has established a multiple sourcing strategy. Also, the strategic stock recovery strategy requires the implementation of inventory management systems as well as replenishment. Likewise, decision-makers can decide to invest in extending the maximum capacity saturation to allow spare production capacity usable during disruption (Chen et al., 2021).
- MARE supports supplier exchangeability, thus the cost increase caused by alternative suppliers can be reduced by establishing a wide SC where suppliers are exchangeable. Consequently, the choice of an alternate source of supply is made easier in case of a disruption.
- MARE provides SC partners with knowledge about the impact of changes occurring in the production plan. Thus, MARE allows to reach full information integration to improve the selection of recovery strategies in future disruption occurrences. Also, MARE enhances SC visibility to mitigate the bullwhip effect.

Nevertheless, MARE is limited as it only considers external disruptions that affect the supply. While sudden demand drops or surges can impact the SC badly if the SC is not equipped with suitable recovery strategies. Moreover, we focus only on recovery performance, whereas recovery structure and defining who from the SC stakeholders is responsible and included in recovery, can potentially also be considered as explained by (Macdonald and Corsi, 2013).

7 CONCLUSION AND OUTLOOK

Recent events such as the COVID-19 pandemic, natural disasters, transportation blockages and political tensions resulting in sanctions have revealed the fragility of our highly globalized and complex SC networks. Performance assessment for pre-disruption, during and post-disruption phases is needed to develop a resilient SC network. Namely, SC integration, visibility and interoperability are essential for enriched SC analysis to evaluate the behavior and facilitate decision making especially during irregular circumstances. Semantic models enable SC data integration and thus allow deep analysis while providing an overall perspective of the SC. Existing semantic DMP approaches address process steps in a rather isolated manner, i.e., only one step of the process is incorporated e.g. to model the disruption risk or to assess its impact.

With MARE we proposed a semantic disruption management and resilience evaluation framework, aligned with existing DMP approaches, to integrate heterogeneous data sources (e.g. production scheduling, order processing), covered by all DMP steps. MARE relies on an ontology and KG to Monitor/Model a disruption. Then, MARE integrates data from production scheduling and order management to <u>Assess</u>, the effect of the disruption on the SC. Next, MARE examines inventory management, procurement and suppliers assignment data sources to uncover various strategies to <u>Recover</u>.

The resilience framework is to Evaluate the effect of the disruption on the SC in terms of cost, delay and demand fulfillment. Also, customer-specific metrics calculation allows to size the respective impact on customers.

To ensure and enhance SC resilience, SC stakeholders can rely on the DMP and resilience evaluation framework in MARE to extract decisions regarding SC structure and operational strategies. MARE facilitates to grasp, control and ultimately enhance SC behavior in complex SC scenarios, tame disruption accelerators e.g. the bullwhip effect and increase the resilience of the supply network.

The solid MARE framework being openly available on GitHub (MARE, 2022) can be further extended to consider disruptions related to demand increase or drops and to examine combinations of recovery strategies in the comparison framework. Also, MARE can be extended to include more recovery strategies e.g. spare capacity to check if the current utilization rate of the partner is below the saturation (Zsidisin and Wagner, 2010).

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