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Research Focus

Innovative methods to collect and fuse multi-modal freight data to support freight travel demand modeling and planning

Static Data Sources

Methods: Adapting ITS sensors and creating new technologies to gather site-specific, population-level, highresolution truck characteristics data

Applications: Supplement Vehicle Inventory and Use Surveys (VIUS) and commodity flow estimation



Truck types: Tank, Intermodal, Reefer, Van, Livestock, Hopper, etc.

Lidar "Signature"

Loop "Signature"





Non-intrusive Lidar Sensors¹ and Advanced Inductive Loop Detectors² to Classify Freight Trucks by Body-Type

Mobile Sensor Data

Methods: Mining commodity and industry information from anonymized truck and marine vessel GPS data

Applications: Estimate demand for transportation assets like ports and truck parking



Stop concentration of internal truck movements

Parking facility time of day usage pattern





Anonymous Truck GPS Data to Analyze Freight Flow Patterns³ and Truck Parking Availability⁴



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