

The Solution to the Centralized FDP Risks of Large ATM Automation System

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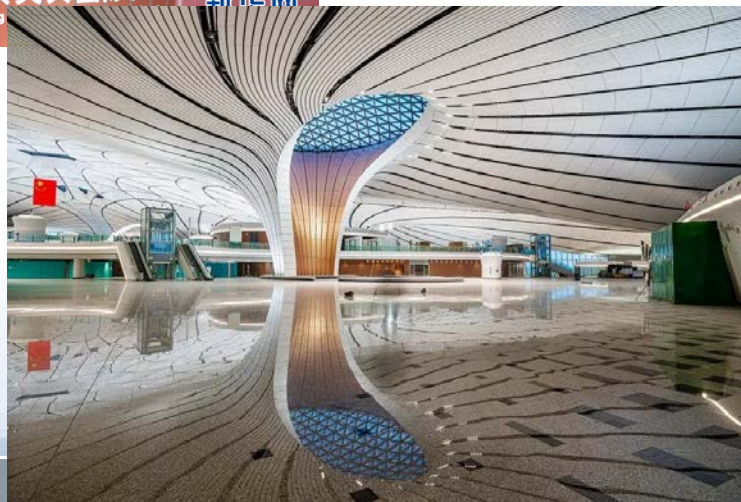
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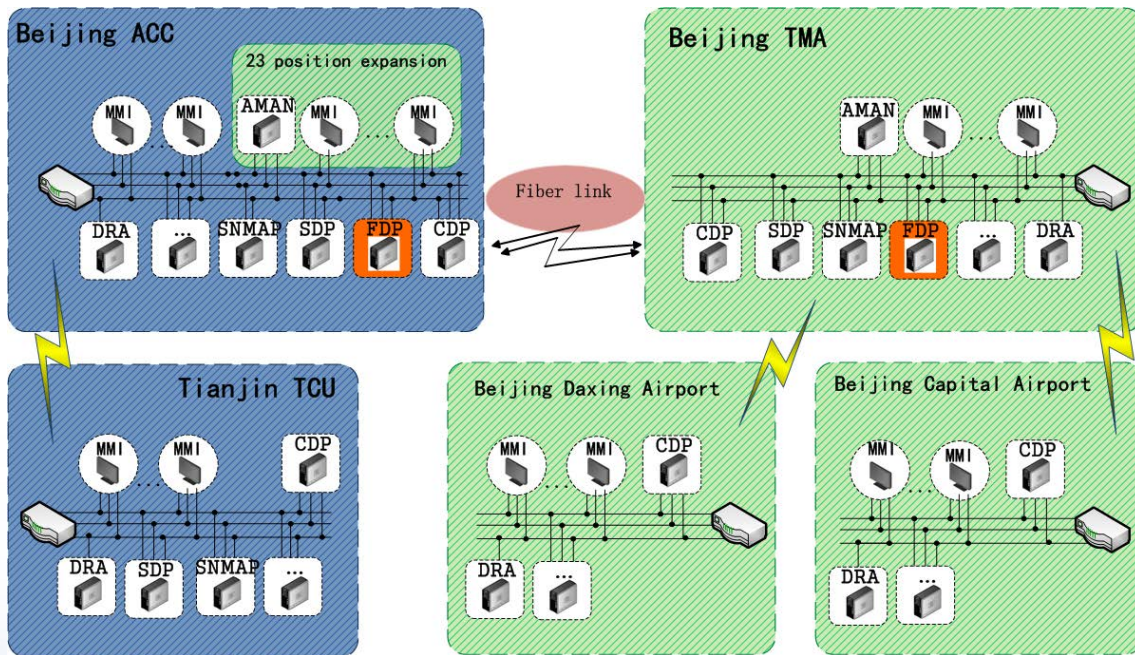




Beijing Daxing International Airport

- ◆ Opened in Sep 25th 2019
- ◆ Four runways + Two control tower.
- ◆ Another hub airport in Beijing.
- ◆ The passengers to handle annually:
about 45 million by 2022,
about 72 million by 2025.
- ◆ It is considered as **a new power source for national development of China.**





Beijing ATM Automation System, the largest system in the world.

- ◆ Meeting the requirement of heavy traffic flow of two hub airports in Beijing and Tianjin Binhai International Airport.
- ◆ Provision ATM services for two cities, three airports, and five facilities.
- ◆ There are 230 MMIs, 360 nodes.
- ◆ Five sub-system **share flight data through the central Flight Data Processor.**





1 Overview:

Capital Airport



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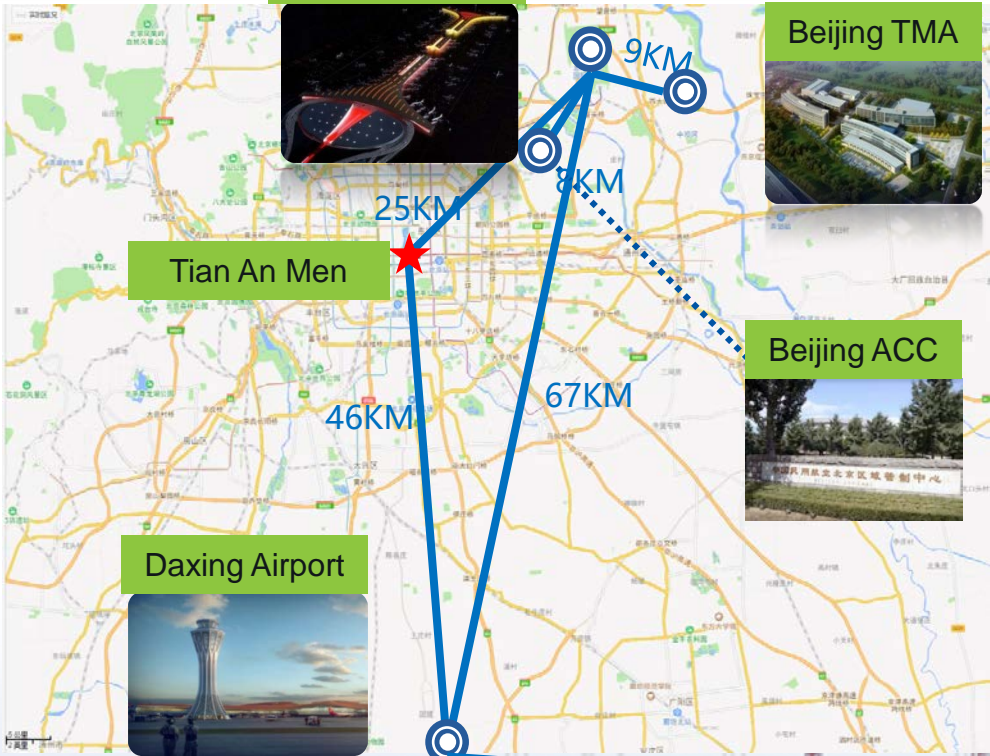
Daxing Airport



Beijing

Tianjin

Binhai Airport



85KM





1 Overview:



Centralized FDP

ACC

TMA

**Fallback FDP
(TFDP)**

How to solve it?





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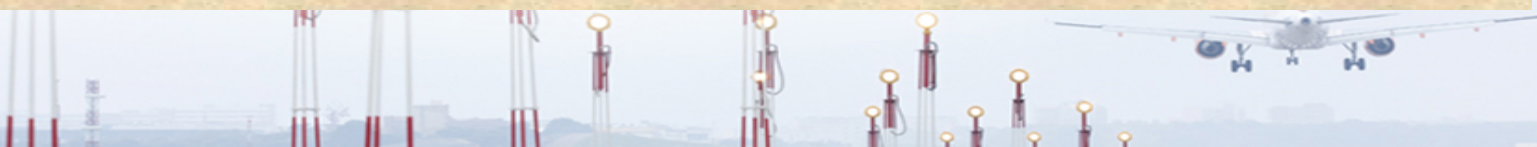
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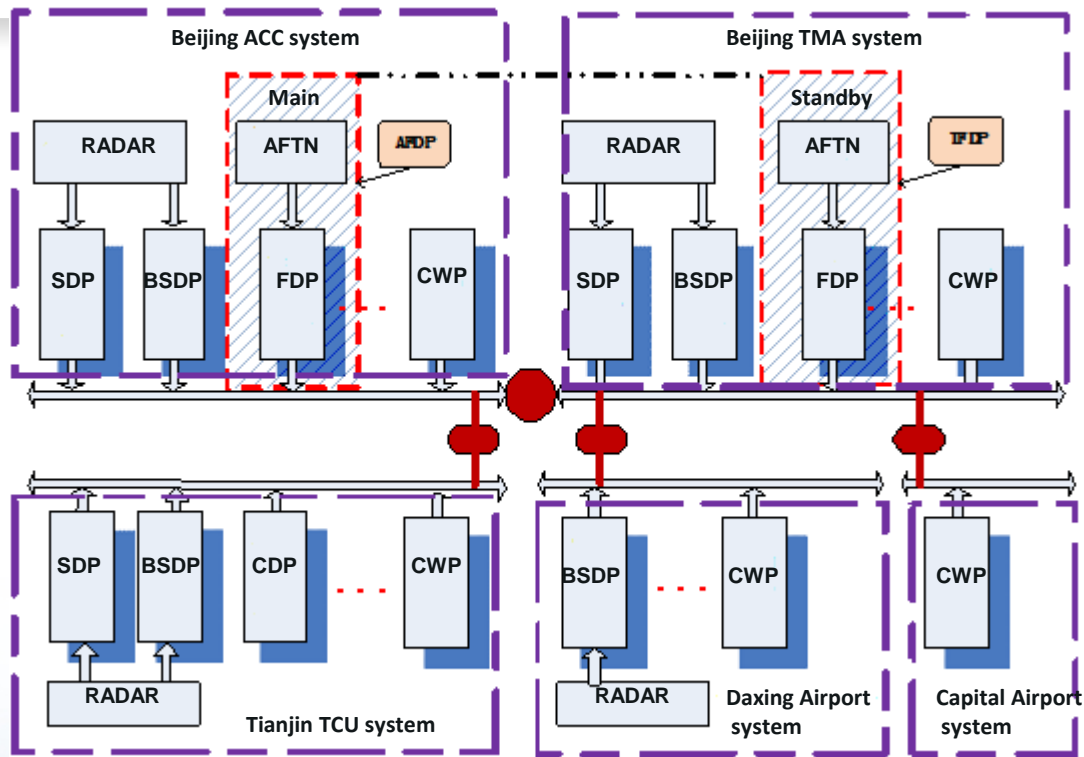
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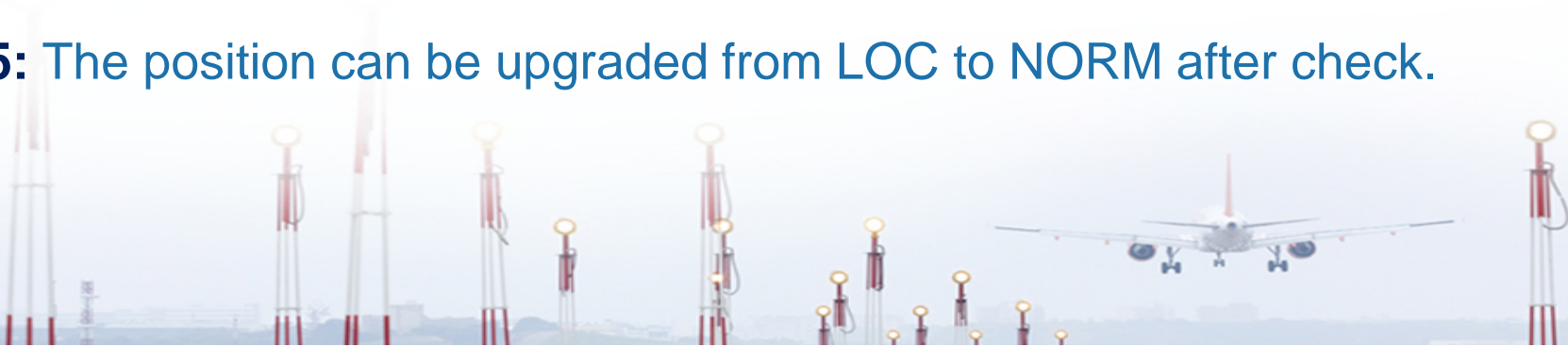
- ◆ AFDP is deployed in ACC while TFDP is in TMA.
- ◆ Normally, AFDP is active, which processes AFTN and distributes flight data, TFDP is standby.
- ◆ Once AFDP fails, TFDP can be activated manually.



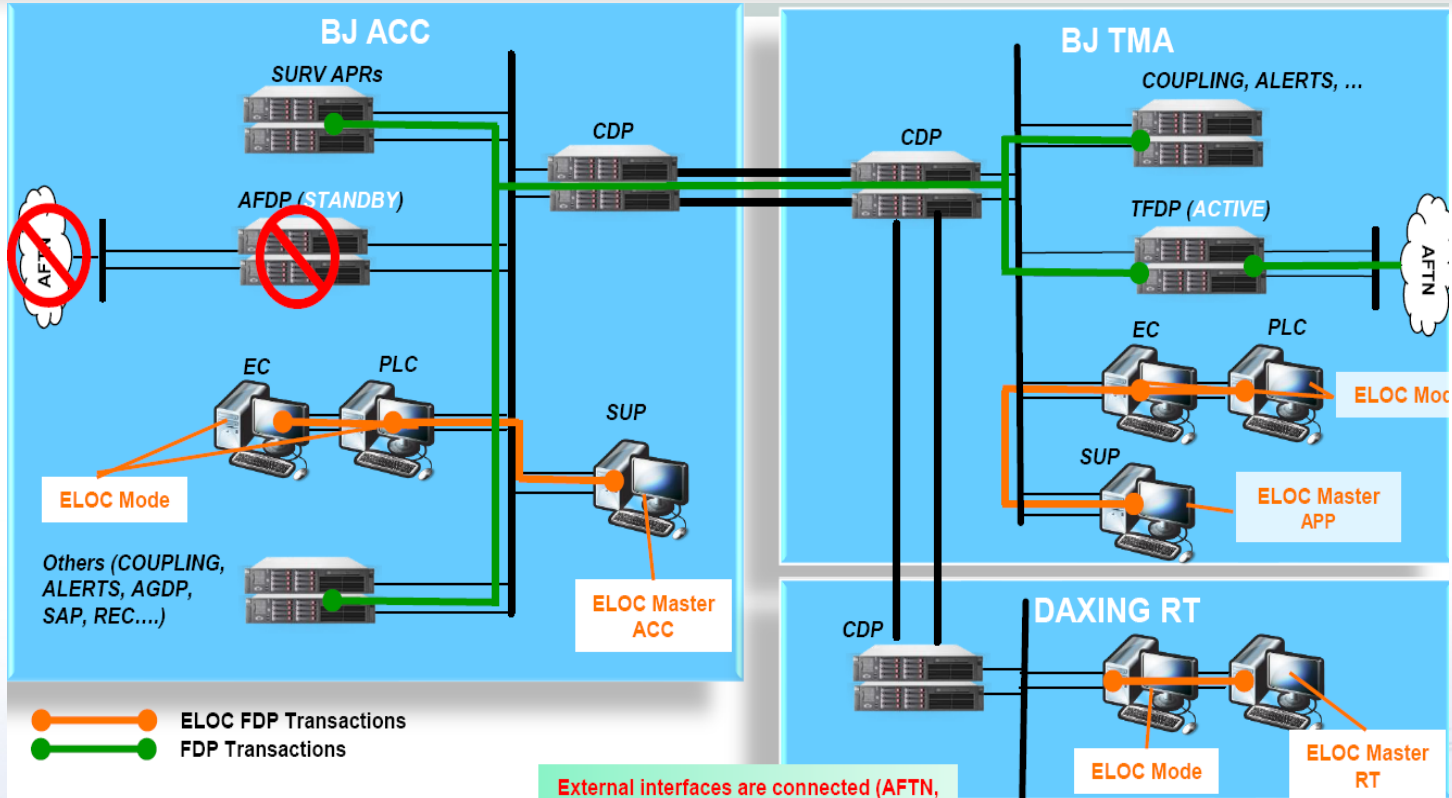
2.2 Operating mode:

Use Case1: AFDP failure

- **Step1:** In case of AFDP failure, position will be degraded to ELOC.
- **Step2:** Disconnect interfaces from AFDP and connect them to **TFDP**.
- **Step3:** Activates **TFDP** at SUP, all system software is connected to **TFDP**.
- **Step4:** Clicks the data SYN button in SUP, position changes to LOC.
- **Step5:** The position can be upgraded from LOC to NORM after check.



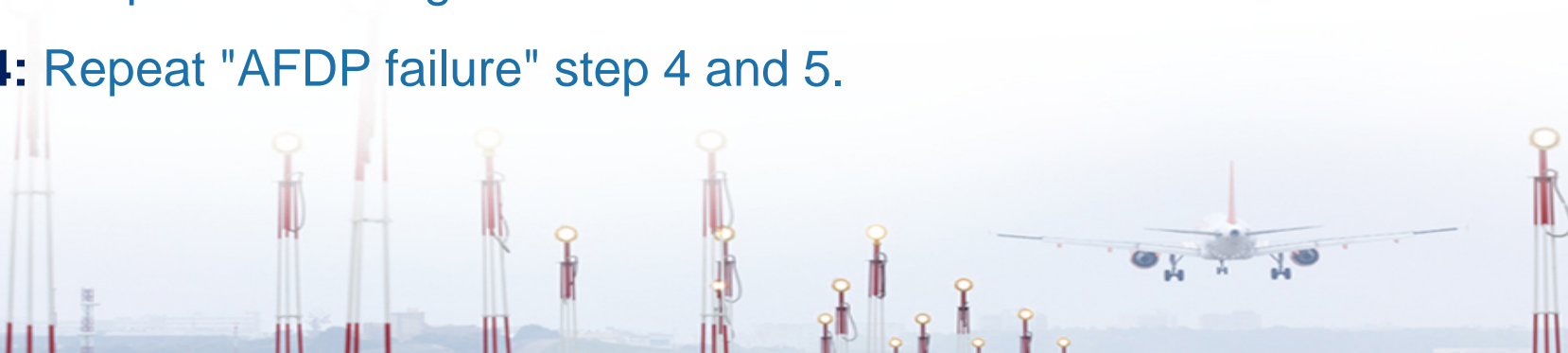
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Use Case2: AFDP recovery

- **Step1:** After AFDP is recovered, it is standby.
- **Step2:** Disconnect interfaces from TFDP and connect them to **AFDP**.
- **Step3:** Activates **AFDP**, all system software is connected to **AFDP**,
the position changes to ELOC mode.
- **Step4:** Repeat "AFDP failure" step 4 and 5.



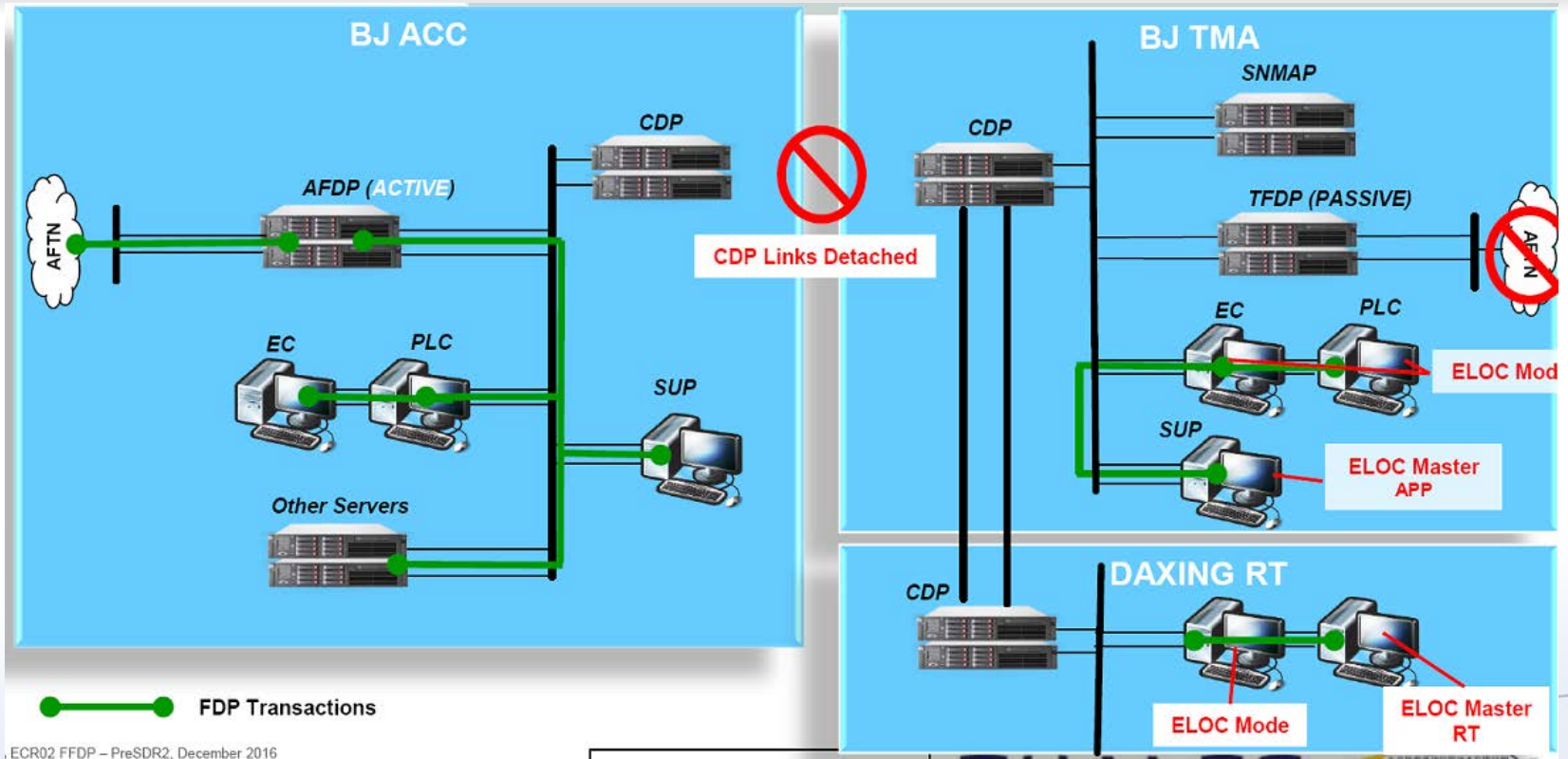
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Use Case3: The link between AFDP and TFDP is interrupted

- **Step1:** AFDP and TFDP provide flight plan processing for their own partition respectively.
- **Step2:** After the link is restored, AFDP or TFDP data shall be chosen for manual synchronization.
- **The recommendation is to use the backup system.**



2.2 Operating mode:





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3.1 Basic concepts of UBSS:

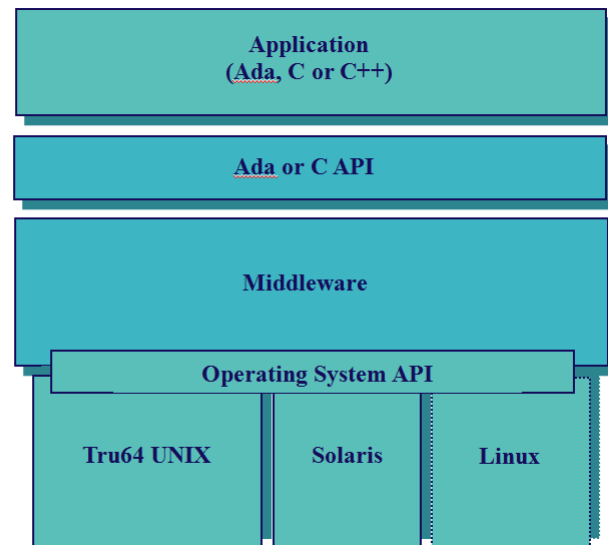
The system uses UBSS technology, which can solve the differences in OS layer and provide a unified API.

BNS (Basic Name Service)

FIFO (Inter-process Communication)

CDC (Consistent Data Copy)

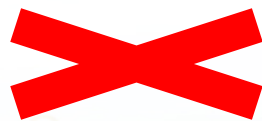
UBSS



3.1 Use BNS to manage FDP

- ◆ Add new BNS values (CURRENT_FDP_MODE, PARTITION_FDP).
- ◆ Management of FDP main and standby status.
- ◆ Avoid the logical error of the system without main FDP.

AFDP
(STANDBY)



TFDP
(STANDBY)

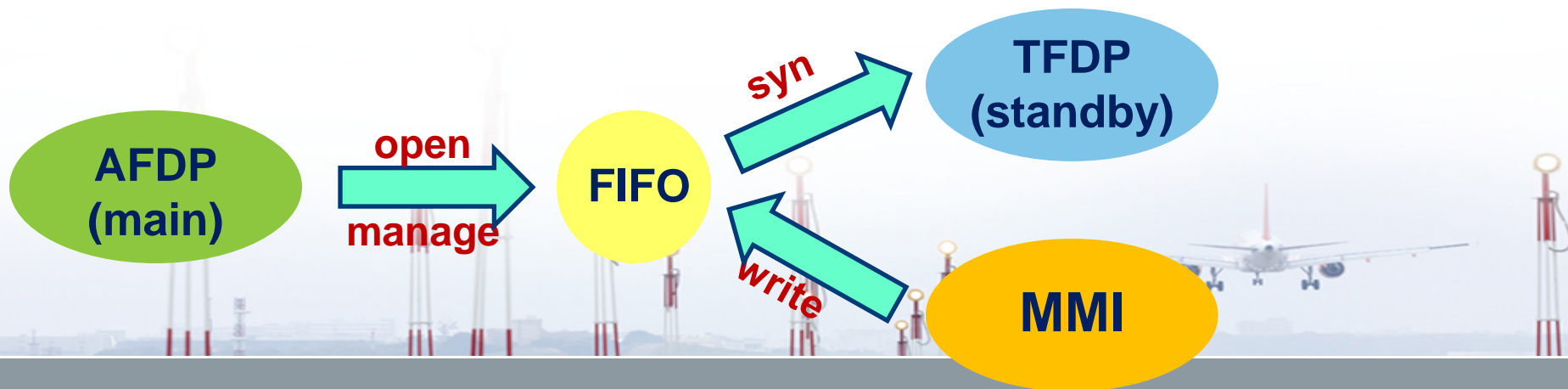
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3.2 Use FIFO feature to minimize software modification:

FIFO feature -- whoever opens the FIFO and manages it:

- Synchronizes the data stored in the FDP disk through FIFO.
- MMI creates the flight plan and writes it into the COMMAND FIFO.
- AFDP is the main and manages this FIFO.
- Uses the MAIN_TO_BACKUP_SYN FIFO to synchronize data to TFDP.



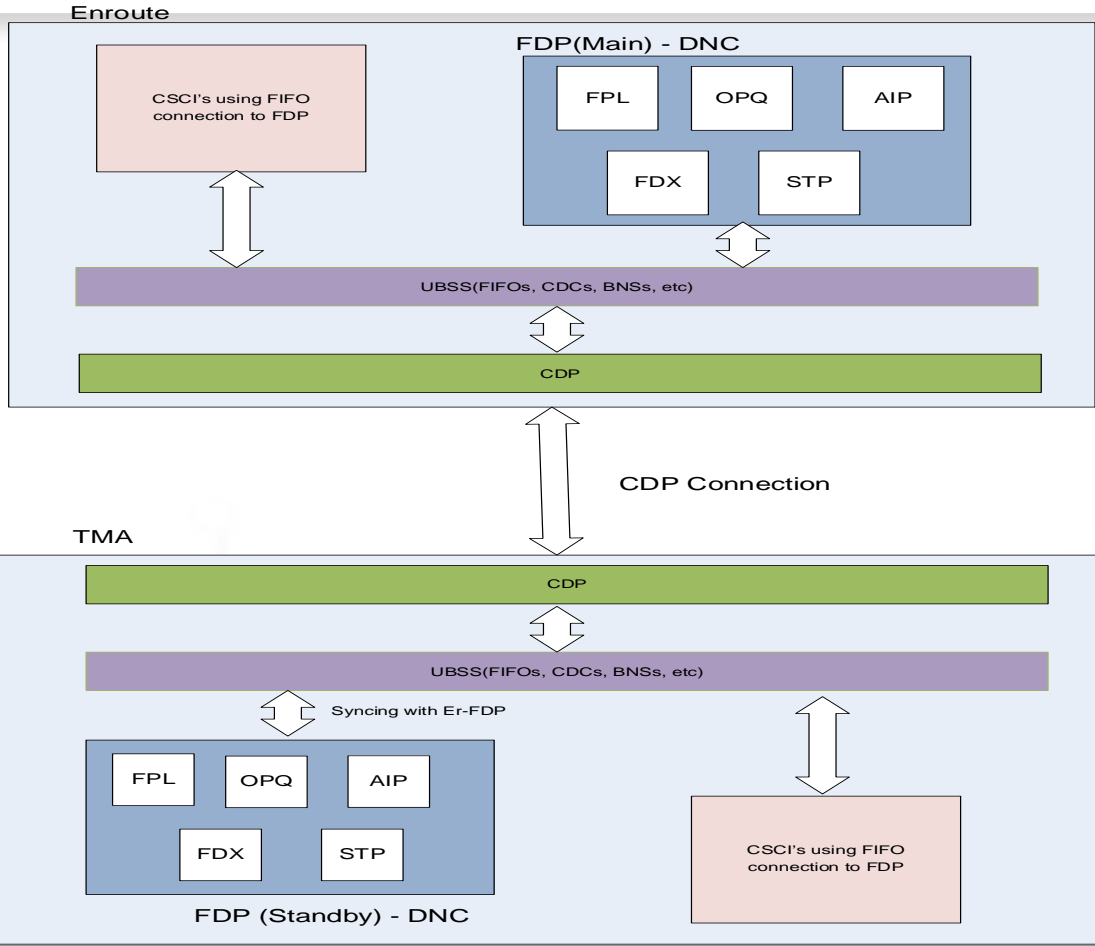
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After switching:

- TFDP is main and **re-open** the above FIFO.
- MMI will still use COMMAND FIFO to create flight plan.
- Software does not care about which FDP processes the flight plan.
- Minimize the modification of the MMI and FDP.

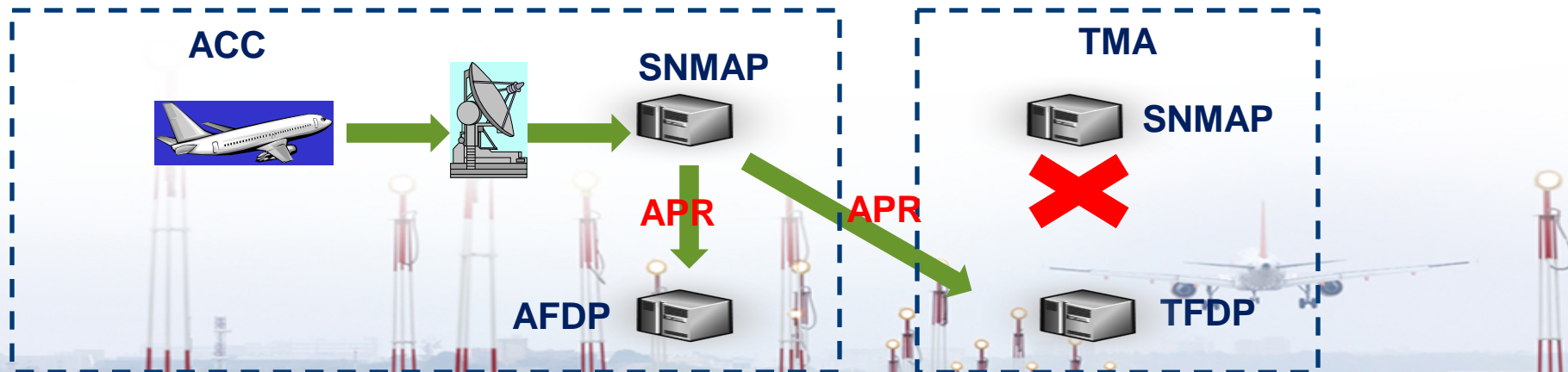


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3.3 Use APR to reduce the radars in TMA:

- ◆ APR is used to update the flight 4D profile.
- ◆ TFDP is activated, it receives the APR from SNMAP in ACC.
- ◆ Reduce the radar numbers in TMA.





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4 Future and outlook

- ◆ Strengthen TFDP training and organize the rehearsal
- ◆ Study the solution to AIDC dedicated lines when TFDP is activated
- ◆ Promote the research and application of new flight data exchange standards
- ◆ Provide the reference for the next-generation ATM automation system





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