



# Experience Sharing of A-SMGCS Level IV Operation in Daxing International Airport

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# Part1: Background



## Beijing Daxing International Airport

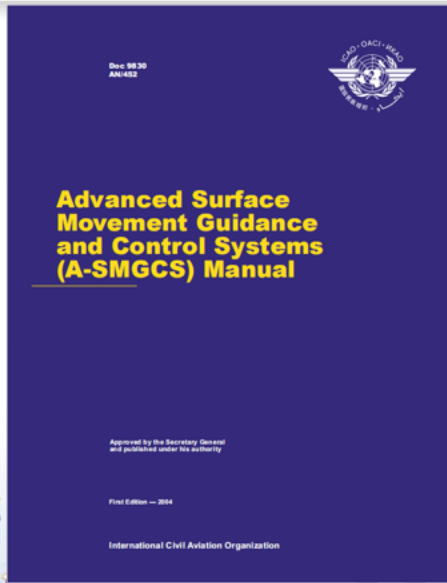
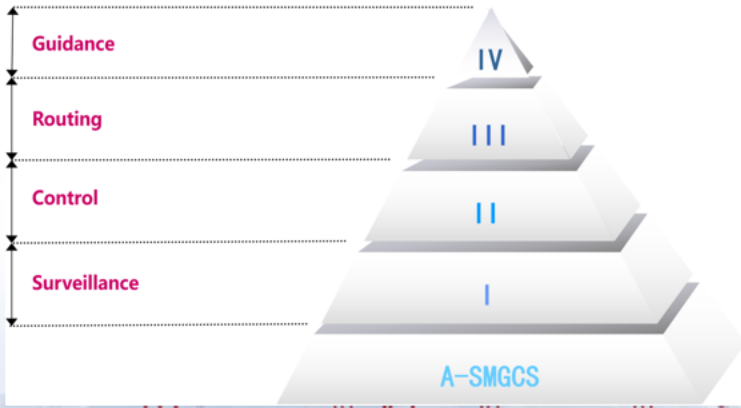
- ◆ Opened in Sep 25th 2019
- ◆ Four runways + Two control tower.
- ◆ Another hub airport in Beijing.

It is considered as **a new power source for national development of China.**



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The system functionalities meet the level IV operational standards as defined in ICAO Doc 9830



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## 2.1 System Architecture:



### West Tower

SUP  
DLV  
GND  
TWR  
COR



### East Tower

SUP  
DLV  
GND  
TWR  
COR



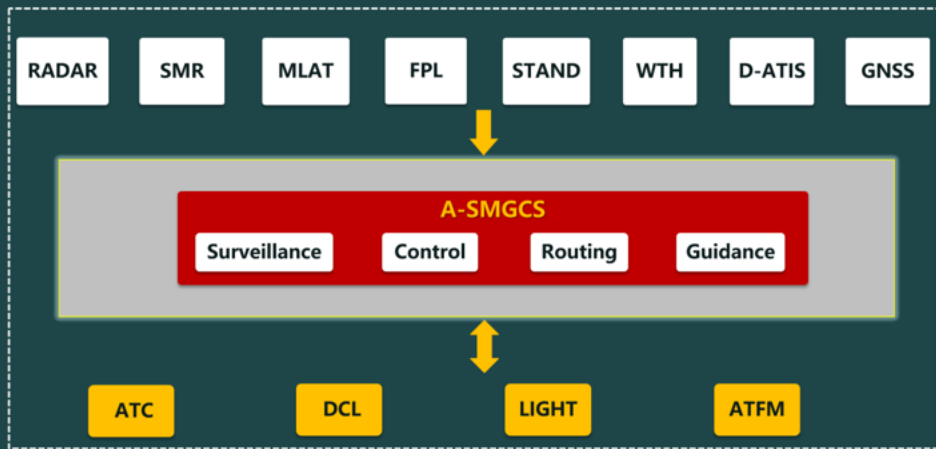
### Technical

SMP  
TSP



## 2.2 Interface Configuration:

### Interface Configuration



## 2.3 System Function:

### ◆ Surveillance Function :



SMR\*3



RADAR\*4



MLAT



Controller

## 2.3 System Function:

### ◆ Control Function:

- Toggle on/off status (RSI, RTW, RED, RIW)
- Off-line configuration

CCA002 RSI  
1004 0000 TAX

Restricted area  
No height range is set

CCA002 RSI  
1004 0350 CTL

Restricted area  
Height range (200m-500m)

CCA002 RED  
1003 TAX

CCA002 RTW  
1004 TAX

Planned route

CCA001 RIW  
1003 LND

Runway Inspection



## 2.3 System Function:

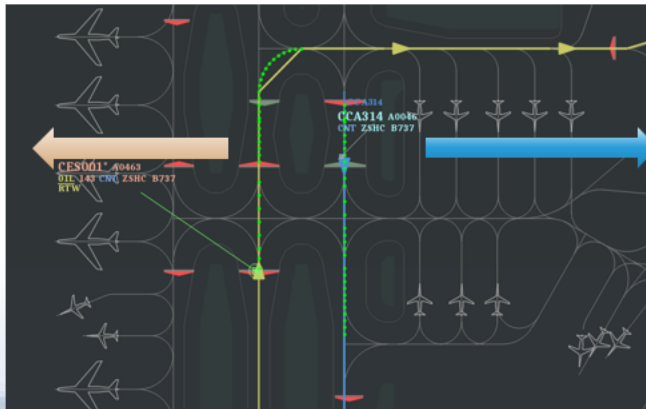
### ◆ Routing Function :

- Automatic routing
- Default routing
- Manual routing

Arrival aircraft

Start:  
Runway exit

End:  
Stand



Departure aircraft

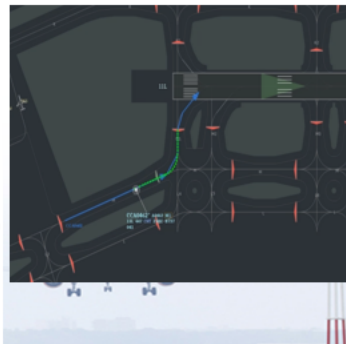
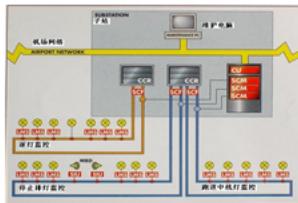
Start:  
Stand

End:  
Runway entrance

## 2.3 System Function:

### ◆ Guidance Function :

序号	灯名/灯号	X坐标	Y坐标	颜色	备注
1	AAA	0.787	-0.212	S	
2	ADDF1-01	0.8057	0.0007	Y	
3	ADDF11-01	-0.4113	0.24007	Y	
4	ADDF3-01	-0.0413	-0.1007	Y	
5	ADDF3-02	-0.1113	-0.1007	Y	
6	ADDF3-03	-0.1813	-0.1007	Y	
7	ADDF3-04	-0.2513	-0.1007	Y	
8	ADDF3-05	-0.3213	-0.1007	Y	
9	ADDF3-06	-0.3913	-0.1007	Y	
10	ADDF3-07	-0.4613	-0.1007	Y	



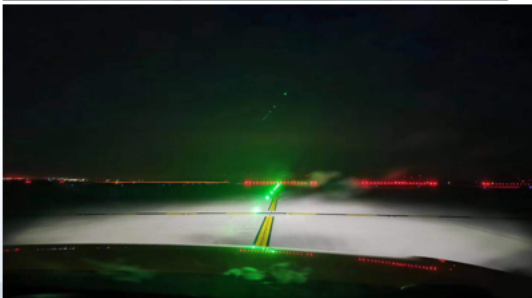
## 2.3 System Function:



More than **20,000** Stopbars and Centerline lights

More than **200** single lamp circuits available

More than **4200** segments



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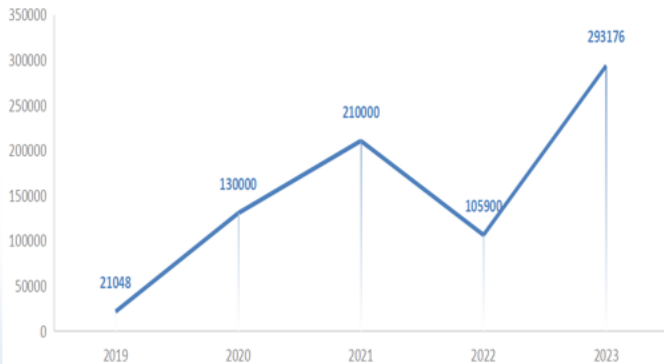
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## 3.1 Summary of Level IV Operations

- ◆ Operation hours: **40000 +**
- ◆ Low visibility operation: **70 +**
- ◆ Daily peak flights: **900 +**
- ◆ ARR and DEP flights: **760,000 +**
- ◆ Passengers: **92 million +**

— Daxing Airport aircraft movements over the years (Unit: sorties)



## 3.2 Advantages of Level IV Operation

### ◆ Reduced workload

- Lowering communication burden
- Enhance pilot concentration

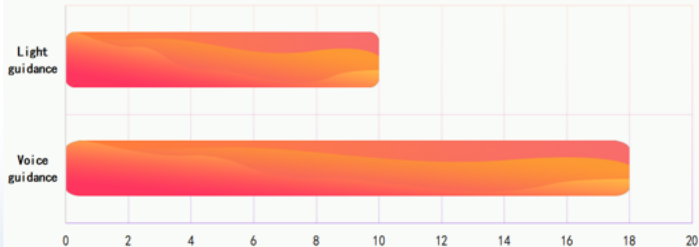


Voice  
Guidance



Light  
Guidance

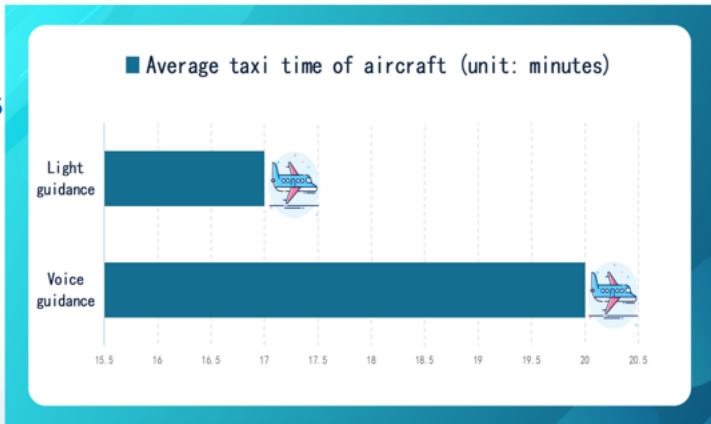
Frequency duration per call (unit: second)



## 3.2 Advantages of Level IV Operation

### ◆ Improving Airport Operational Efficiency

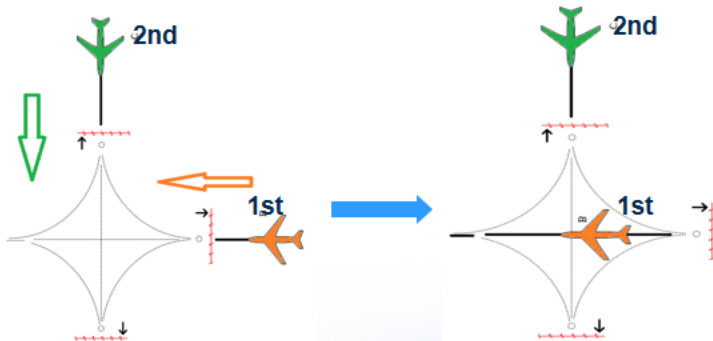
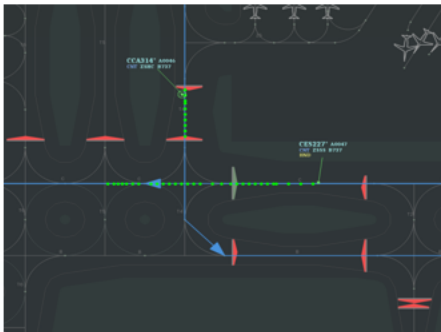
- Optimize taxi routes
- Allocation airport resources
- Reduced **20% average taxi time**





## 3.2 Advantages of Level IV Operation

### ◆ Enhancing Conflict Resolution Capability of Aircraft at Taxiway Intersections



➤ First come, First served

➤ Considering position and speed

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### ◆ Enhanced Safety Measures for Low Visibility Operations

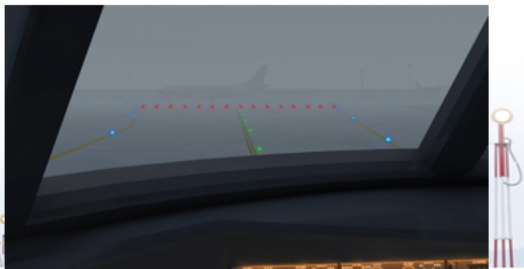


- Category III B ILS
- HUD 75-meters takeoff

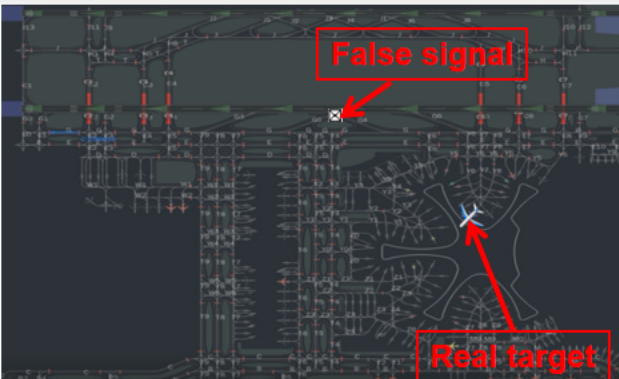


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- 
- No instructions to enter the runway



### 3.3 Operational Challenges and Solutions:



◆ Signal drift caused by SMR multipath reflections and MLAT anomalies:

➤ Issue

Signal drift potentially trigger false alert

➤ Solution

Establish offline specialized processing zones



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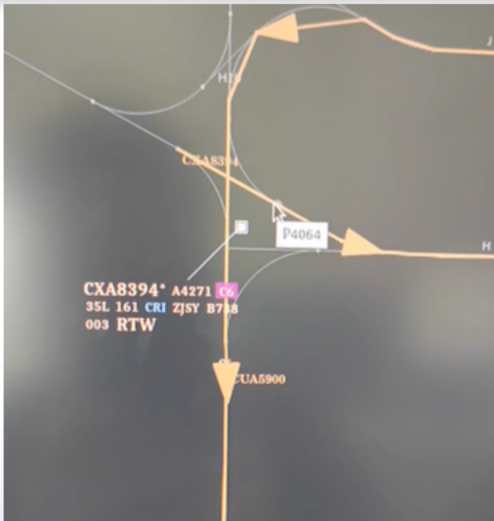
#### ◆ Anomalies Routing Planning Issues :

##### ➤ Issue

Flight routes became circular

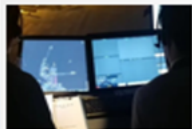
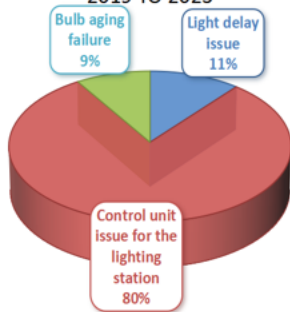
##### ➤ Solution

Optimizing the principles governing deviation calculations



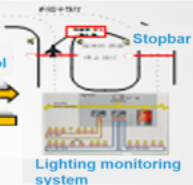
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Lighting control  
commands

Lighting status  
information



#### ◆ Lighting Status Display Issues:

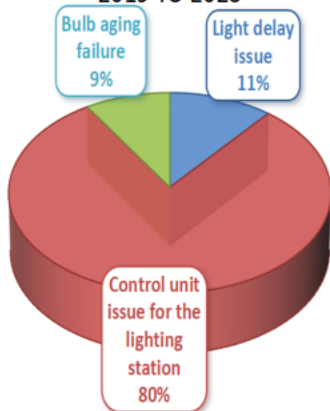
- The transmission delay of lighting data reach up to **8s**
- Solution
  - Optimizing lighting system processing software and parameter
  - Reduce useless messages exchange

➤ Improvement  
Lighting delay reduced to **2s**



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#### ◆ Bulb aging failure

##### ➤ Solution

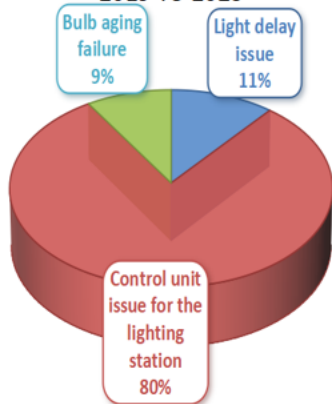
- Replaces faulty bulbs
- Monitor closely





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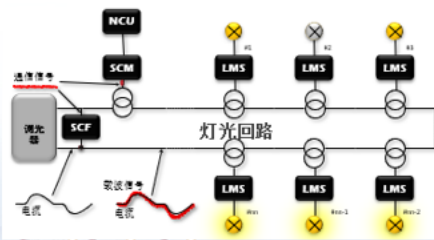
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#### ◆ Individual lighting control units

##### ➤ Solution

- Continuous maintenance
- Optimization of the lighting system's status



### 3.3 Operational Challenges and Solutions:



- ◆ **Solving Problems in Cooperation with the Airport Department:**
  - **Regular Issue Reporting & Meeting**
  - **Designated Group**
  - **Optimization for Lighting Software & Reduce Unnecessary information**
  - **Continuous Feedback**



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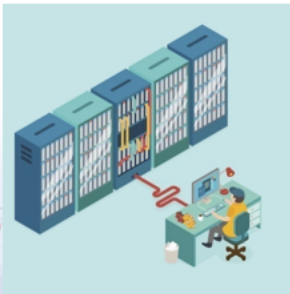
## 4.1 Summary:

### ◆ Work Summary and Key Focus

- Accuracy of surveillance data and lighting data delay
- Route planning algorithms
- Basic data maintenance group



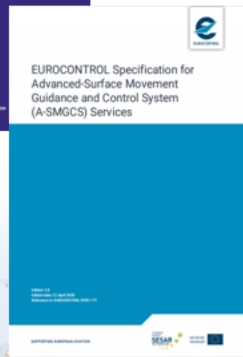
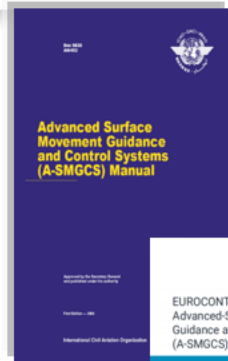
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## 4.2 Outlook:

### ◆ Next Steps

- Continuous optimization of lighting guidance software
- Promote level IV operation functionality
- Continuously follow ICAO latest revisions regarding the Doc 9830 and EUROCONTROL standard to improve system
- Research for level V situational awareness



Thank You for attention!

