

Fuel Consumption and Emissions from Airport Taxi Operations

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Airport Emissions

- 25% of the emissions are produced during the Landing Take-Off (LTO) cycle (for flights over a 800km range)¹
- Taxi operations are the largest source of emissions in a standard LTO cycle²
- Fuel consumption from taxi operations is forecast to cost ~\$7B by 2012; 18M metric tons of CO₂ per year³



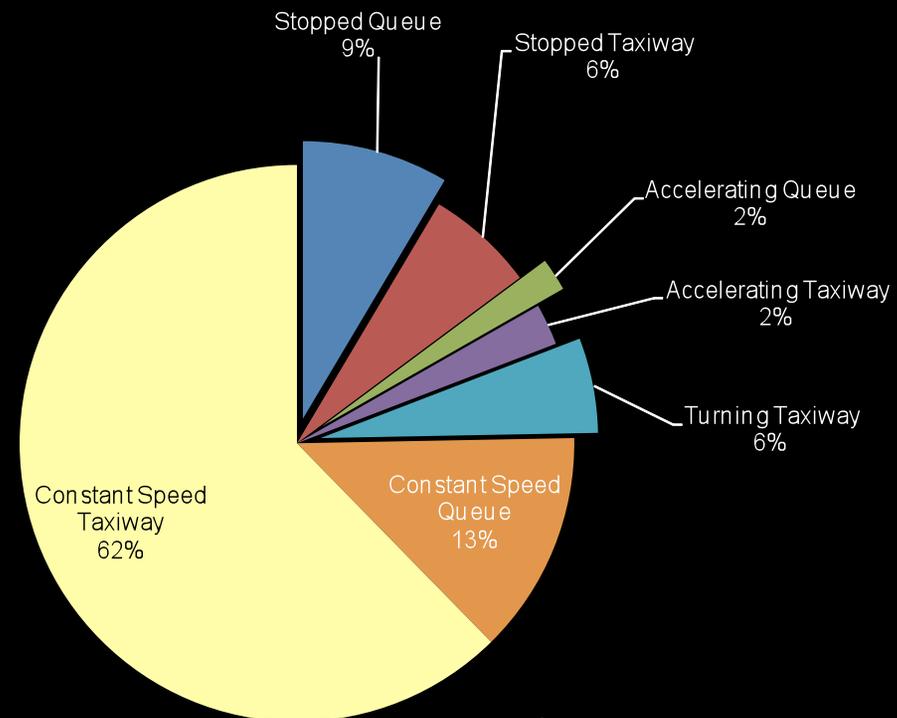
¹ Kesgin, U. (2006). "Aircraft emissions at Turkish airports." Energy 31(2-3): 372-384.

² Perl, A., J. Patterson, et al. (1997). "Pricing aircraft emissions at Lyon-Satolas airport." Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment 2(2): 89-105.

³ Environmental Leader (6/29/09), quoted from a report by EADS Airbus

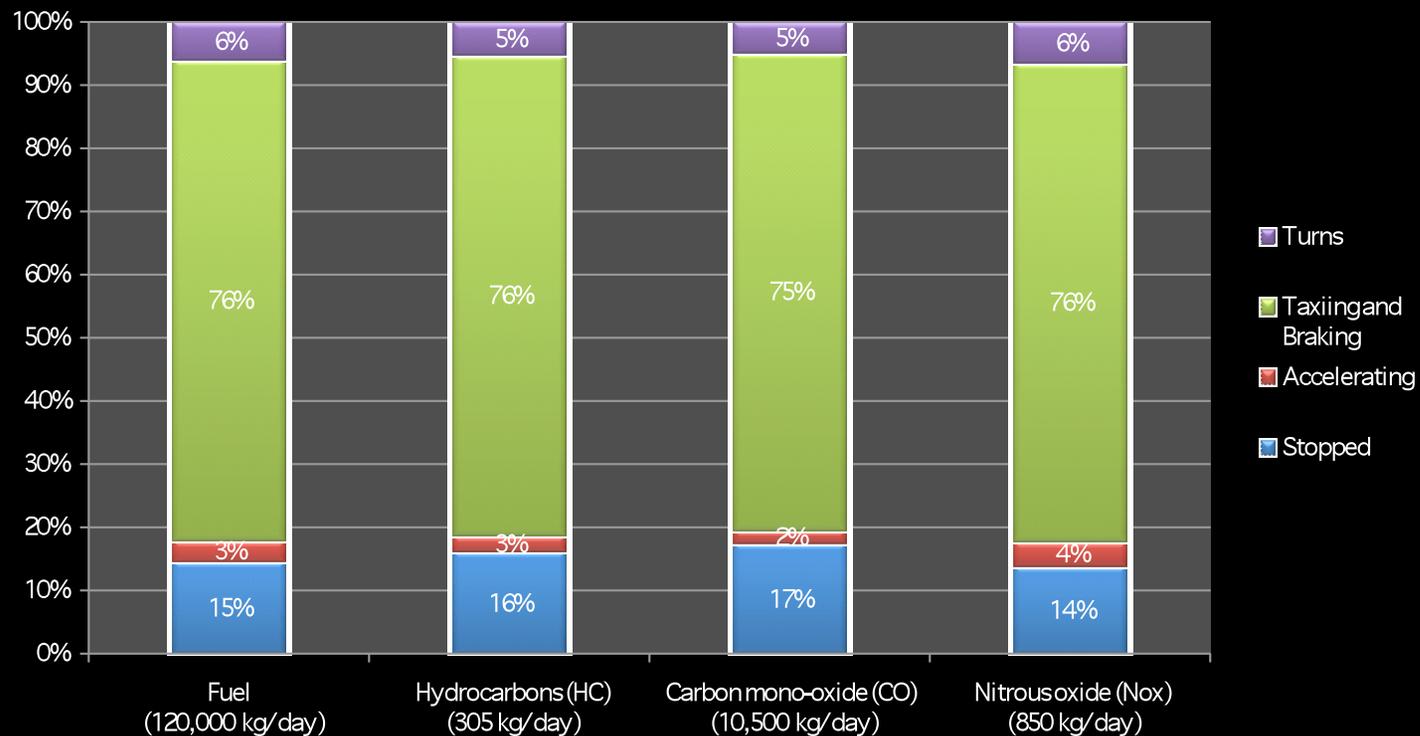
Fuel Consumption from Surface Operations at DFW

- Based on ASDE-X aircraft position data
- 3 months data (from April to July 2008)
- ICAO fuel and emission values were augmented and used
- Stopped operations result in **18%** of fuel consumption



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Average Daily Fuel Consumption and Emissions at DFW



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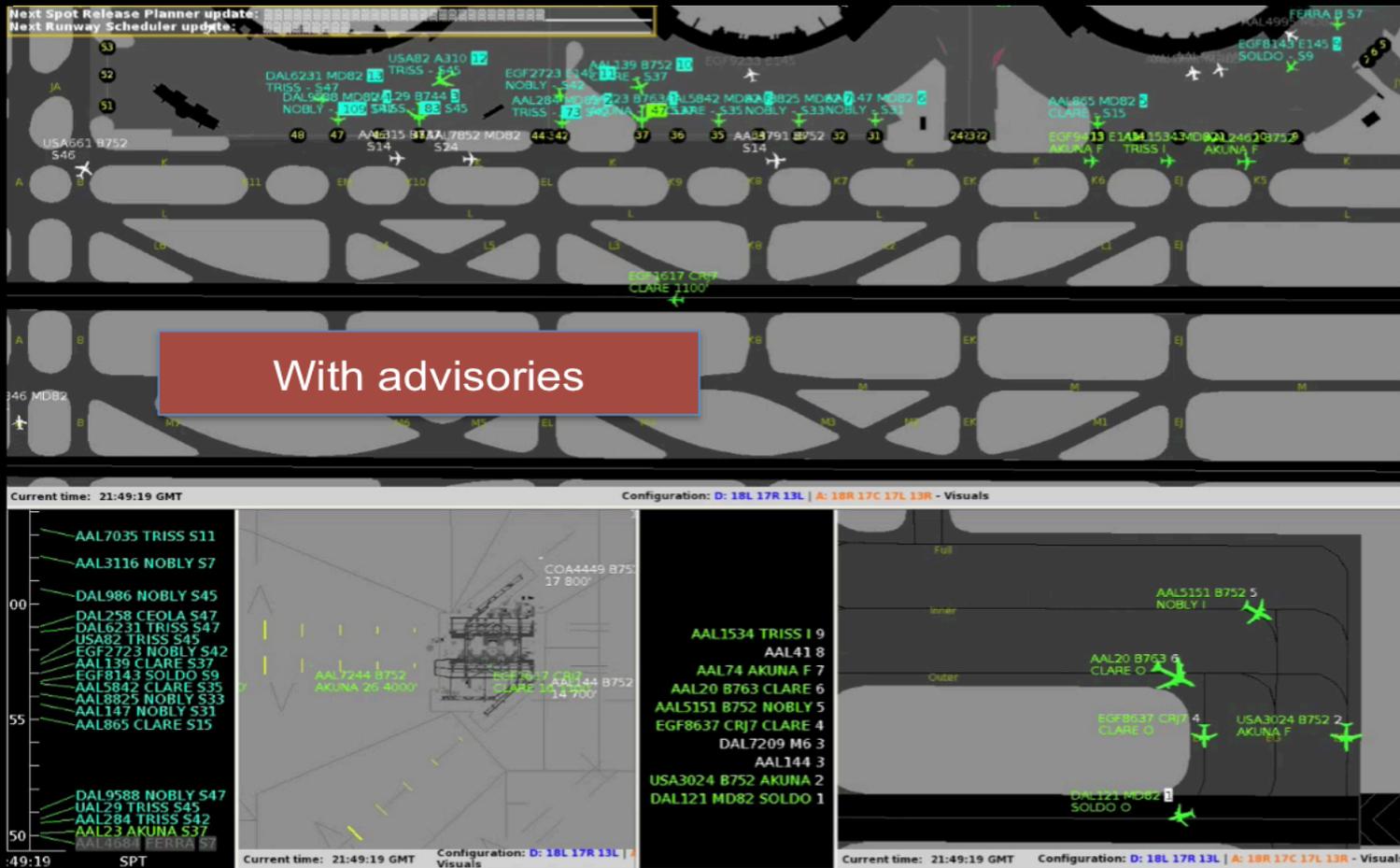
Surface Environmental Research

- Develop concepts of energy efficient operations and decision support tools
- Conduct human-in-the-loop experiments to evaluate performance of the tools
- Perform estimation of fuel consumption and emissions

Spot and Runway Departure Advisory (SARDA) Tool

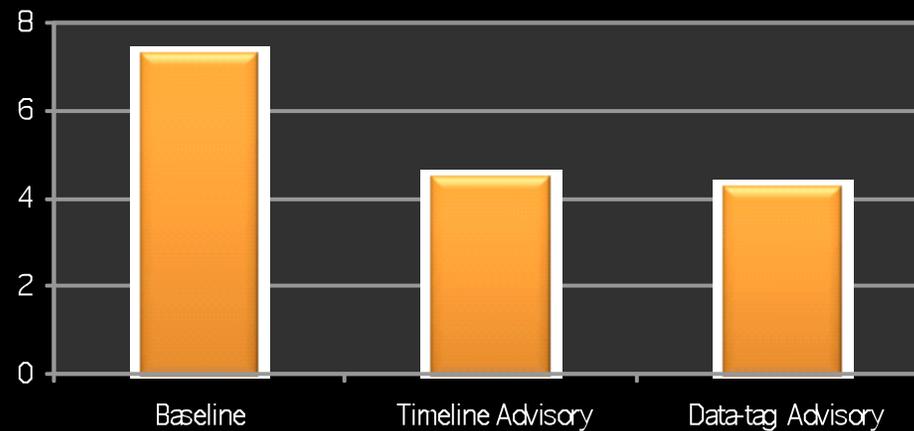
- A near-term decision support tool for tower controllers to enhance the efficiency of surface traffic
- Provides the Ground Controller with spot release advisories
- Provides the Local Controller with runway departure and runway crossing advisories (sequence)

SARDA Experiment – April 2010

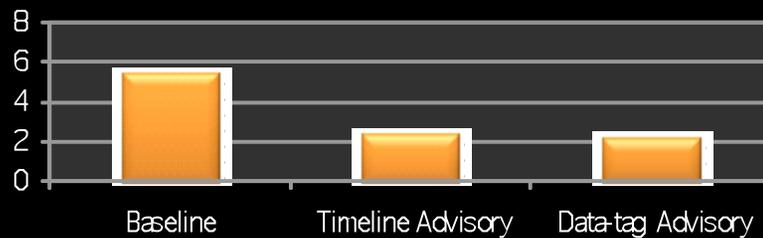


Stop-and-go Situations in SARDA

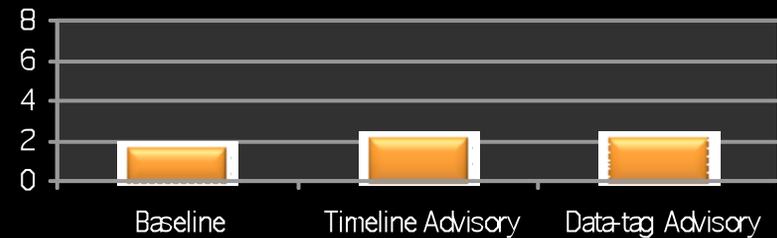
Average Departure Total Stops



Average Departure Queue Stops

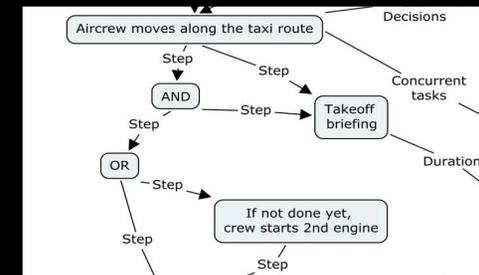


Average Departure Ramp Stops



Environmentally Friendly Surface Operations

- Single engine taxi
- Departure metering
- Perimeter taxiway
- Tow-out taxiing
- Other concepts
 - Optimal runway allocation
 - Environmental planner
 - Take-off roll regulator



Summary

- Developed a method to calculate fuel consumption and emissions of phases of taxi operations.
- Results at DFW showed that up to 18% of fuel can be saved by eliminating stop-and-go situations.
- Developed an energy efficient and environmentally friendly surface concept: Spot and Runway Departure Advisory (SARDA) tool.
- The SARDA tool has been identified as a potential candidate for a technology transfer to the FAA.