

Getting to grips to "High Elevation Airport Operations" project

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高海拔机场运营 High Elevation Operation

8 Chapters to be developed Airbus task sharing

- 1 Airport characteristics
- 2 AC (Advisory circulars) Regulation
- 3 Airline experience / Safety analysis
- 4 Airsafety Aircrew / Passenger
- 5 Aircraft and Engine characteristics
- 6 Aircraft and Engine design
- 7 Aircrew training
- 8 Approval process of HEAOps

A/P compatibility EIYS



STLO

Medical

EV - STL

BS, BL - E - S

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Status of HEAOps project

Objective

- To prepare a **Airbus Reference document** dealing with High Elevation Airport Operations = **HEAOps**".
- Initiated by Airbus China Flight Operation Department, Captain J.P. Houdin:
 - Leads the building of a specific Document (name to be defined), and ensures regular updates,
 - Establish cooperation with selected worldwide HEA operators and Regulatory departments, (CAAC, EASA, ICAO)
 - Review all aspects links to High Elevation Airport Operations

Peter TIARKS Requirements:

"Delivery: The draft Document shall be delivered to ST by December 2013 (project duration estimated with 18 months)"

"Team composition, workload and cost

- The Airbus team will be composed of 8 Members from Airbus China who will have to allocate approximate 20% of their working time. (total of 21 man months) and M.Post from SEU and Larry ROCKLIFF both of them estimated workload of 10% (3.6 man months)
- The cost for travel for coordination meeting with the CAAC and Airlines will be covered in the AOP of each department
- Cost for events with CAAC and Airlines will be covered by Airbus China Government Affairs."

PROGRESS STATUTS

- CAAC: CAAC review of AC121 pending, next meeting with CAAC Chengdu in May2013.
- Airbus: FEEDBACK Only Marketing dept in Toulouse, (SA, Cargo)
- ACSSO established cooperation with TBA and CCA in Chengdu (Ops feedback and flight data analysis), (still need to do with South US airlines)
- Operational visits in China to explain the performance and A/C mod's
- Growing demand for HEA Operation development Airline request more support



Topics of the Document

Working Group Team Member



Airport characteristics

Terrain, weather (Dry, Hot, Cold), accessibility, alternates – Worldwide map



AC (Advisory circulars) - Regulation

Airworthiness involvement



Airline experience / Safety analysis



Airsafety - Aircrew / Passenger

New area / Medical aspects



Aircraft and Engine characteristics

Atmosphere and Aerodynamics, Air speed,



Aircraft and Engine design

Aircrew and Ground staff training

- Take off and landing, Flying technique
- RNP-AR Approach,
- flight envelop, in-flight failures,

8

Approval process / HEAOps Requirements

- Aircraft
- Aircrew
- Airports

JP/HOU Maggie

J.P/BO Juan /CAAC

- a) Airbus MIA with FAA
- b) B. Delprat with CAAC, CSC, TBA

B.Delprat and YANG Zhigang

STL (JR?, Steve?, Majun)

Eric VR, YANG Zhigang

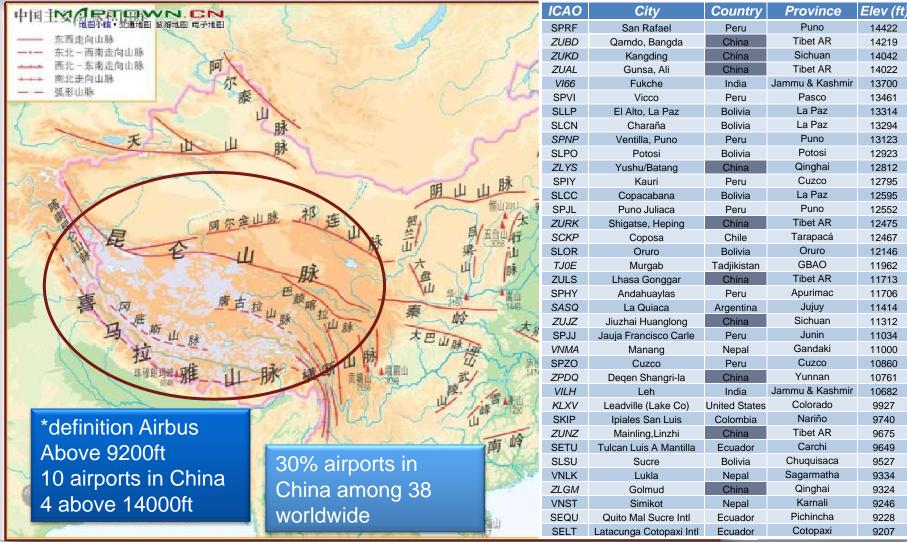
Larry ROCKLIFF + Jp HOUDIN,

SC (M.Sherf)/M.Post from SEU

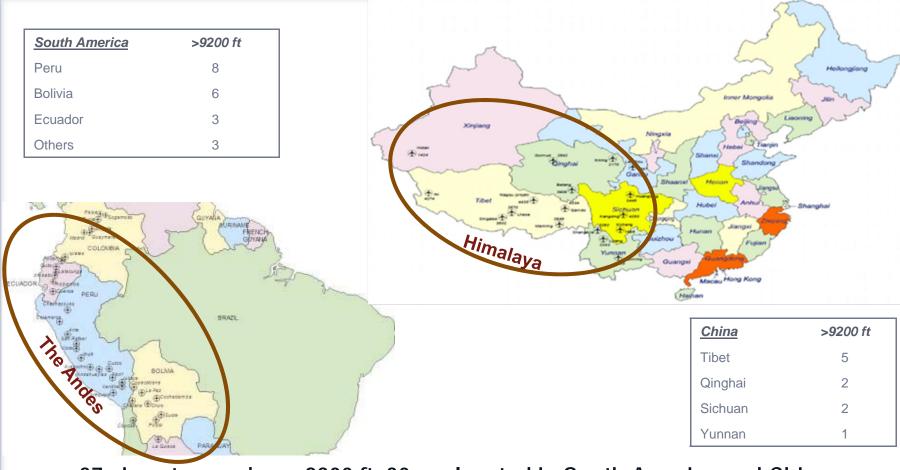


High Elevation Airport Worldwide Distribution





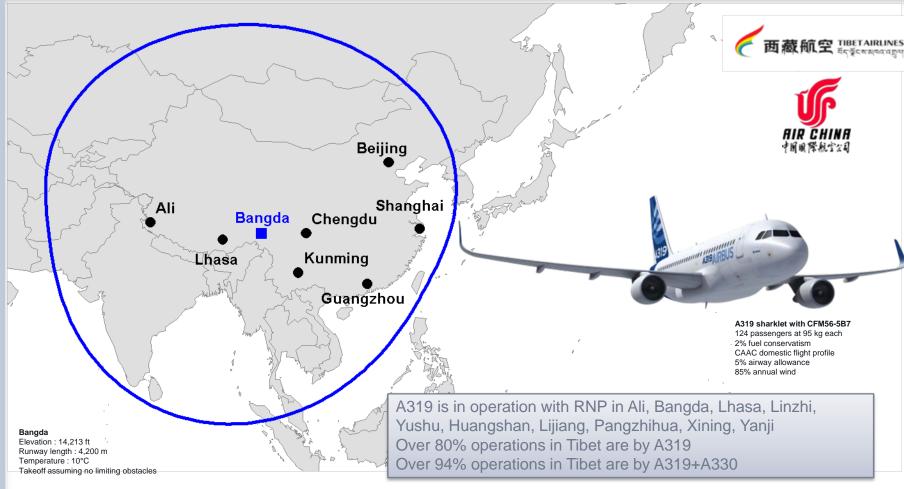
High Elevation Airport Worldwide Distribution



37 airports are above 9200 ft, 30 are located in South America and China 11 new airports will be built between 2011-2020 in Tibet region



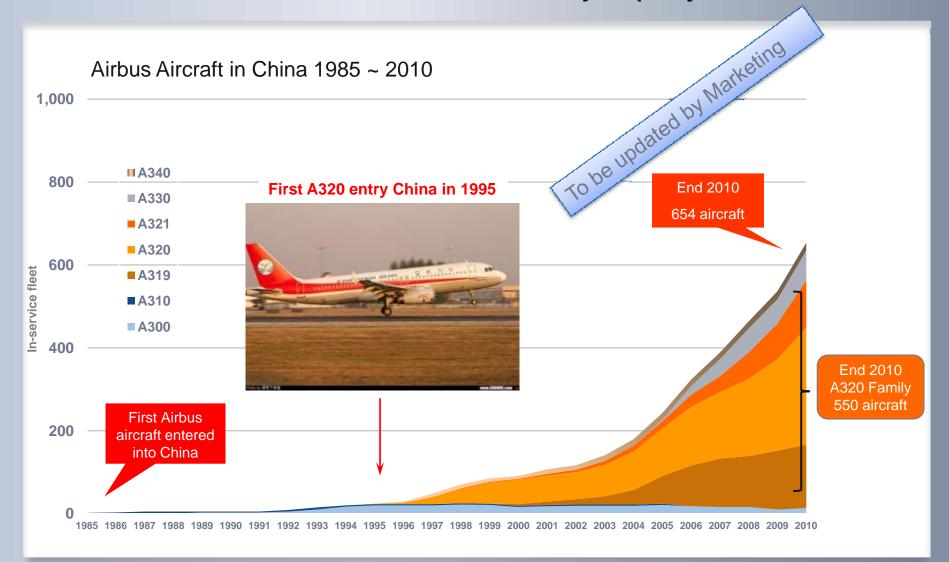
Bangda, the world highest altitude airport



A319 has excellent takeoff performance and range capability from Bangda



Airbus, from a new comer to a major player





Airbus aircraft are preferred for Tibet operations

OAG, Aug., 2009

	Flights/week	Airline	AC Type
LAX-CTU:	28 42 21 2	CSC CCA CCA	A319 A319 A330 757
LAX-CTU-PEK:	7	CCA	A330
PEK-LXA:	7	CCA	A330
BPX-CTU:	6	CCA	A319
BPX-LXA:	1	CCA	A319
LXA-CKG:	7 7 7 7	CSC CCA CSN CSN CSZ	A319 A319 A319 A333 A319
LXA-XIY:	7 14	CHH CES	A319 A319
LZY-CTU:	12	CCA	757
LZY-KMG:	7	CES	737
LXA-DIG-KMG:	7	CES	737
LXA-KTM:	5	CCA	A319

To be updated by Marketin

Market Share

A319: 68%

A330/A333: 18%

737: 7%

757: 7%

Airbus tacked about 86% of HEA operation



Airbus aircraft are preferred for Tibet operations OAG, Jan., 2010

LAX-CTU:	Flight/week 21 20 7	Airline CSC CCA CCA	AC Type A319 A319 A330	to be updated by	Marketing
LAX-CTU-PEK:	7	CCA	A319	10	
BPX-CTU:	6	CCA	A319	Market Share	j
BPX-LXA:	1	CCA	A319	A319:	88%
LXA-CKG:	7 3	CSC CCA	A319 A319	A330:	8%
	7	CSN	A319	757:	4%
LXA-XIY:	3	CES	A319		
LZY-CTU:	4 3	CCA CCA	757 A319		
LXA-KTM:	3	CCA	A319		

In winter, A319 tacked about 90% of Tibet market



South America Airbus operation

High Elevation Airports



Airports with Elevation > 9,200ft

Airport_IATA	Airport_ICAO	Airport_Name	Country	Elevation	A319/A330 Ops.
LTX	SELT	LATACUNGA/COTOPAXI	Equador	9206	N/A
UIO	SEQU	QUITO / MARISCAL SUCRE INTL	Equador	9228	A319 and A330
TUA	SETU	TULCAN	Equador	9636	N/A
IPI	SKIP	IPIALES / SAN LUIS	Columbia	9740	N/A
LPB	SLLP	LA PAZ / EL ALTO INTL	Bolivia	13313	A319
POI	SLPO	POTOSI	Bolivia	12913	N/A
SRE	SLSU	SUCRE	Bolivia	9527	N/A
JAU	SPJJ	JAUJA	Peru	11034	N/A
JUL	SPJL	JULIACA	Peru	12552	A319
CUZ	SPZO	CUZCO	Peru	10860	A319

^{*} A319s have been operated in UIO, LPB, JUL, and CUZ, and A330s in UIO only.





South America flights

High Elevation Airports

Number of Flights of A319 and A330 (2005-2011)

Sum of number of flights per month	Column Labels							
Row Labels	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	20110	Grand Total
319	1136	2370	7264	8919	12039	11571	12013	55311
JUL		296	1067	1346	1560	1440	1431	7140
CUZ	257	1483	4757	5709	7500	7376	7054	34136
LPB	879	287	519	399	690	493	429	3694
UIO		304	921	1466	2289	2263	3099	10341
330	111	189	261	257	266	43		1127
UIO	111	189	261	257	266	43		1127
Grand Total	1247	2559	7526	9176	12304	11614	12013	56439



China Airport Statistics

High Elevation Airports

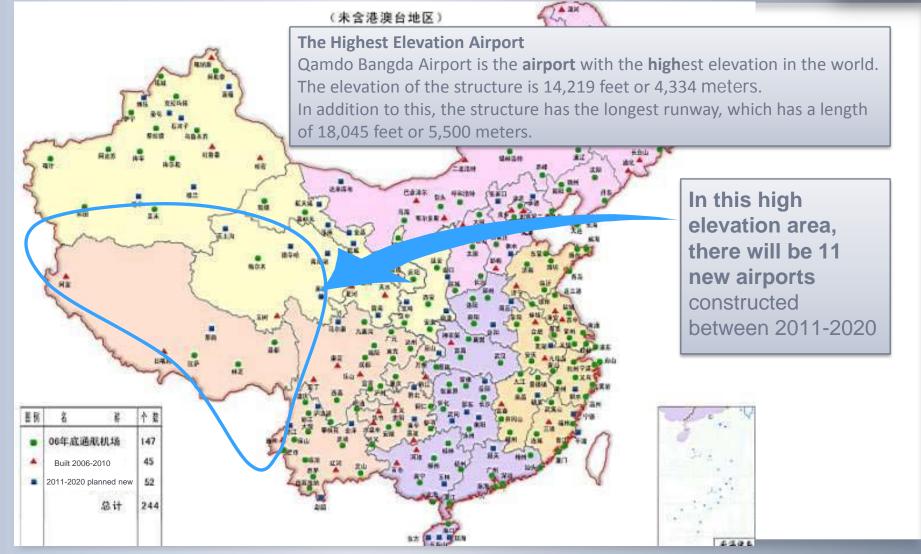
ICAO	City	Elev (ft)	Landing procedur es type	Number of flights /year /A/C	Average T (°C)	Min T(°C)	Max T(°C)	Visibility (m)	Precipitati ons	Wind speed	Wind direction	obs
ZUBD	Qamdo (Bangda)	14219								<u> </u>		
ZUKD	Kangding	14042										
ZUAL	Gunsa, Ali	14022						/	AACQU	est		
ZLYS	Yushu/Bata ng	12812						trom?	212/6			
ZURK	Heping	12475					dai	inle				
ZULS	Lhasa Gonggar	11713			_	aiting	sted i		DAZ requi			
ZUJZ	Jiuzhai	11312				Mosed	30					
ZPDQ	Deqen Shangri-la	10761				/k						
ZUNZ	Mainling Linzhi	9675										
ZLGM	Golmud	9324										



High Elevation Airport characteristics

Chinese projects







On Nov. 23, Daocheng Yading <u>Airport</u>, the world's highest civil airport at an elevation of 4,441 meters, welcomed the first landing of an Air China Airbus A319 passenger aircraft, registration B-6226. The aircraft then took off again and made test flight successfully in the airport' airspace, marking that the world's highest civil airport is going to be put into operation soon.

Located 50 km from Daocheng County of the Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture of Garze, southwest China's Sichuan Province, the regional airport is a 4C-class airport, with a 4,200-meter-long runway and four tarmcs. The 4,441-meter-high airport has surpassed Tibet Changdu Bangda Airport which is at an elevation of 4,334 meters, becoming the highest civil airport in the world.

The airport, which has completed the construction on August 29, 2012, is expected to be put into operation in May 2013. After the operation of the airport, it will take only one hour for tourists flying from Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province to Daocheng.



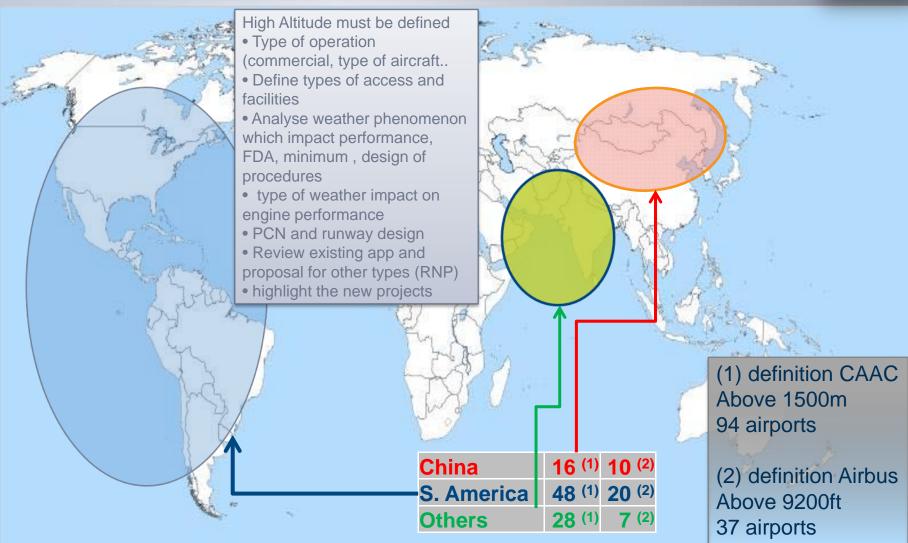




High Elevation Airport characteristicsWorldwide map

High Elevation definition









Regulation

Authorities involvement (EASA-CAAC-FAA) ICAO



For Airbus

Very High

Above 9200ft ?

Above 14500 ft?

HIGH?

PRESSURE ALTITUDE (ft)

40000

20000



CAAC Flight Standards Department

AC No: AC - 121 - 21

Initiated by: Operations Management Division

Approved by: Jiang Huaiyu

Issuing Date: March 2, 2007

High Elevation Airport Operation Regulation for Air Carriers

1. Purpose

Advisory

Circular

1.1 As the further extension of CCAR = 121, this advisory circular is issued to provide guidelines for air carriers (hereinafter "airlines") who apply for high elevation airport operation and implement safety management at high elevation airport.

1.2 This advisory circular is issued to assist CAAC in approving and supervising high elevation airport operation.

Fede Adm

Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

Date: May 26, 2006

To: Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, ANM-100S

From: Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-100

Prepared by: Clint Jones, ANM-150S

INFORMATION: Equivalent Level of Safety Finding for High Albitude Landing Operations for Boeing 737 Model Airplane (FAA Project

Number TD9776SE-T)

Memo No.: TD9770SE-T-S-1

Rog. Ref.: 8§21.21(b)(1); 25.841(a),(b)(6), &(b)(8); 25.1309(c); and 25.1447(c)(1)

Background

Subject:

In accordance with the provisions of § 23.21 (b)(1), Boeing submitted a request for an equivalent level of safety to the requirements of § 25.541(b)(0) when applied to the 737-600-700C-800-900 take-off and landing operations at airports with field elevations between 8,000 feet and 14,500 feet. Boeing wishes to obtain approval for take-off and landing operations at airport and to do so without activation of the 10,000 feet cabin altitude warning. Boeing has designed a dual limit cabin altitude warning system that they believe will provide an equivalent level of safety (ELOS) to the requirements of § 25.841 (b)(6). Boeing documentation calls this the High Altitude Operation system.

Applicable regulation(s)

§§ 21.21(b)(1); 25.841(a),(b)(6), and (b)(8); 25.1309(c); and 25.1447(c)(1)

Regulation(s) requiring an ELOS

§ 25.841(b)(0



CAAC
Above 8000 ft
10 airports

High 4922ft 1500m CAAC
Above 4922 ft
5 airports

We need TO STANDARDIZE THE DEFINITIONS



Proposal: HIGH from 10000ft to 15000ft





High Elevation Airports includes General High Elevation Airports and Very High Elevation Airports

Very High Elevation Airports

> 8000 ft (2438 m)

General High Elevation Airports

> 4922 ft (1500 m)





CAAC Advisory Circular Background



Increasing number of

high elevation airports built or planned

in China in recent years, especially in the Xizang Province.

Safety issue:

high altitude operations are more challenging.

October, 28-29, 2004: Seminar on High Elevation Airport Operation Management and Support, held by CAAC in Chengdu, with regional administration offices and airlines.

CAAC Advisory Circular

AC-121-21, March2, 2007

High Elevation Airport Operation Regulation for Air Carriers





CAAC Advisory Circular

Entry requirements





Airline

- Required experience different if the airline is based or not at high elevation
- Staff skills related with very high elevation operations



Aircraft

- Respect of the flight envelop
- Special oxygen needs
- Technical specifications for very HE (CP, engines, self start capability)



Pilot

- Age
- First officer

- Training
- Captain



Airlines operations management

- Establish a specific manual based on the CAAC-AC
- Adapt the operations management

More details : see <u>CAAC Advisory Circular detailed.pptx</u> or <u>CAAC AC HEA.pdf</u>





CAAC Advisory Circular

Operational requirements





Aircraft maintenance

• 120min ETOPS Standards



Dispatch

- Weather
- Dispatch department Real-time
- HEA Operations
- Dispatch training

• TOW



Aircraft performance analysis

- TOW
- V1 / VR / V2
- Landing

- Scheduling
- EOSID procedure
- HEA Operations



Crew training

- Pilots
- Captain at VHEA: experience in line with CCAR 121.469
- Cabin crew: syllabus adapted for HEA Training incorporated to the annual training



Demonstration flight

- Required for all aircrafts at very high elevation airport
- Below, CAAC decides whether it is necessary or not



Aviation sanitation

- Oxygen
- Crew health recommendations at very high elevation
- Contingency plan for plague

More details : see <u>CAAC Advisory Circular detailed.pptx</u> or <u>CAAC AC HEA.pdf</u>





Airline experience / Safety analysis



1

History of airline operating at HEA

2

Safety reports

3

Performance reports

4

Commercial reports

5

Participation airlines

Comments:

- REVIEW OF experience
- PERFORMANCE
- SYSTEMS,
- SAFETY

Questions:







Airline experience / Safety analysis



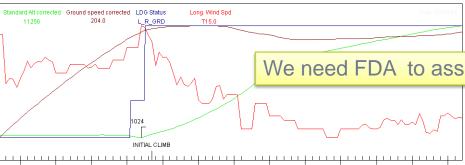


R Liftoff

35ft



An A319 taking off with a rotation rate that is 1 deg/s slower than normal can result in a 4 to 5 knot liftoff speed increase.



airfase

We need FDA to assess pilot performance vs speed computation



1024 - Tire Limit Speed Exceedence



We need quick FDA process to take rapid repair decision





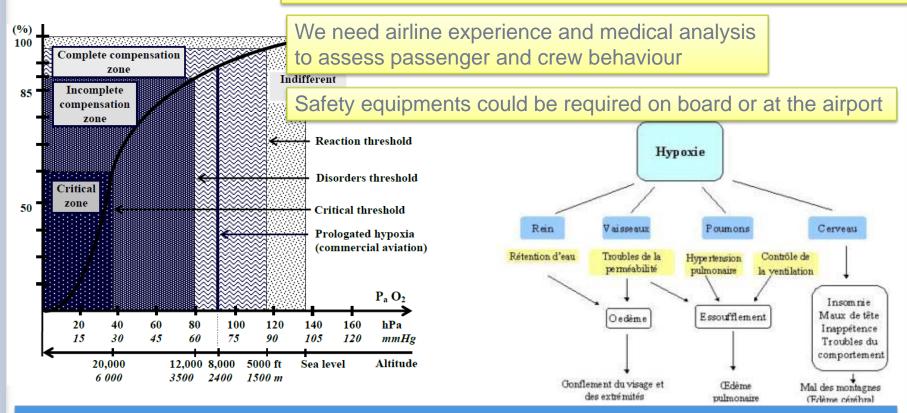


Commercial / Passenger

New area / Medical aspects



Cabin crew training should take into account hypoxia knowledge



- 8,000 ft to the threshold of prolonged hypoxia and without excessive fatigue;
- 12,000 ft for the threshold for use of oxygen in all conditions. The threshold of 8,000 ft is that of civil aviation. The threshold of 12,000 ft is that of military regulations (STANAG 3198 AMD) and is quoted in the FAR regulations (Part 91, Part 121 & Part 135).





Aircraft and Engine characteristics Atmosphere and Aerodynamics, Air speed,



1

Take off performance

2

In flight performance

3

Landing performance

4

Mission payload capability

5

Information and training

6

System failure

7

Comments:

- REVIEW OF experience
- PERFORMANCE
- SYSTEMS,
- SAFETY

Questions:





Atmosphere and Aerodynamics, Air speed,



• 起飞 Take off

压力高度 Pressure altitude



起飞距离

爬升梯度 Climb Gradients



最大起飞重量 MTOW



- 着陆 Landing
 - ▶空中着陆距离 IFLD

压力高度 Pressure altitude



)空中着陆距离 IFLD



空中着陆距离 IFLD

复飞 Go Around

发动机推力 Engine Thrust



爬升梯度 Climb gradient

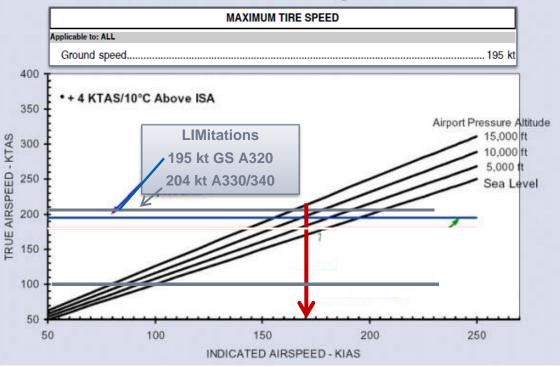






Atmosphere and Aerodynamics, Air speed,

True Airspeed Effects at High Altitudes



Example:

- -Code 5 is tire speed limit
- -204kt GS = 170 IAS

MTOW(1000 KG) codes	VMC	Tref (OAT) = 2 C	Min acc height	1336 FT	Min QNH alt	13049 FT
Vlmin/VR/V2 (kt)	LIMITATION	Tmax(OAT) = 31 C	Maxacc height	2058 FT	Max QNH alt	13771 FT
LIMITATION CODES:			Mir	V1/VR/V2	= 98/98/99	
1=1st segment 2=2nd segr	CH	CHECK VMU LIMITATION				
5=tire speed 6=brake ener	5=tire speed 6=brake energy 7= nax weight 8=final take-off 9=VMU				72 = 0.3 KT/1000	KG





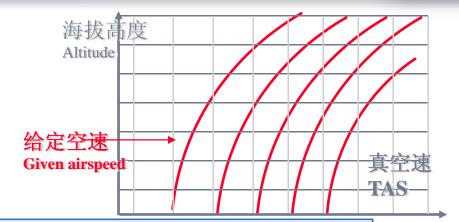
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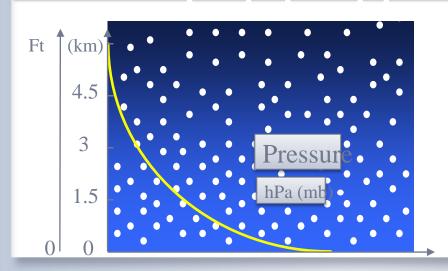
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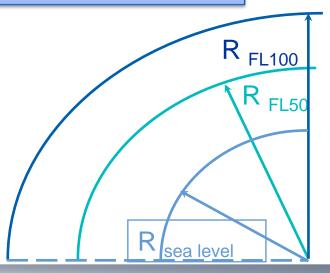
TAS)随高度的增加而增加.

Flying at a given airspeed leads to increase the A/C TAS with Altitude increase.



- 对于相同的空速,转弯半径随着压力高度的增加而增加。
- For the same airspeed, radius of turn increase with pressure altitude increase.



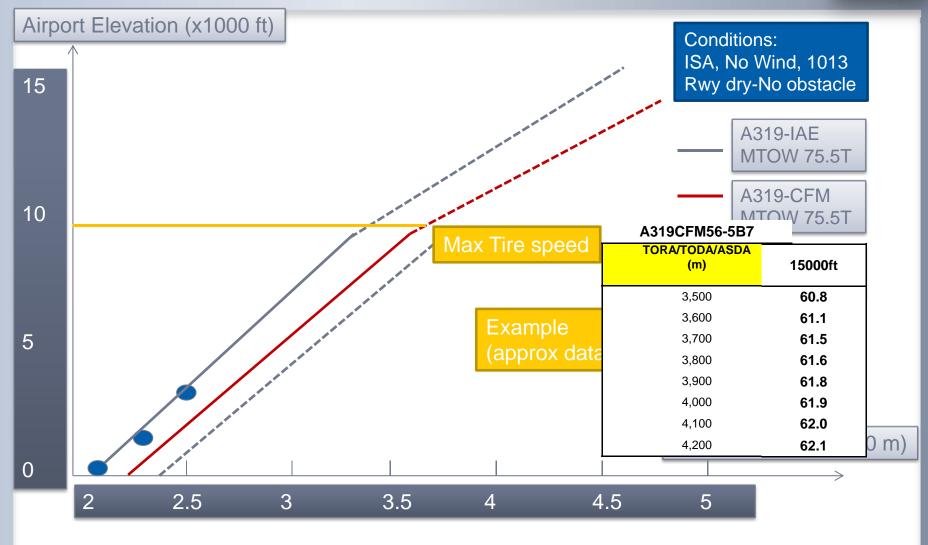






Required Runway length vs Airport Elevation



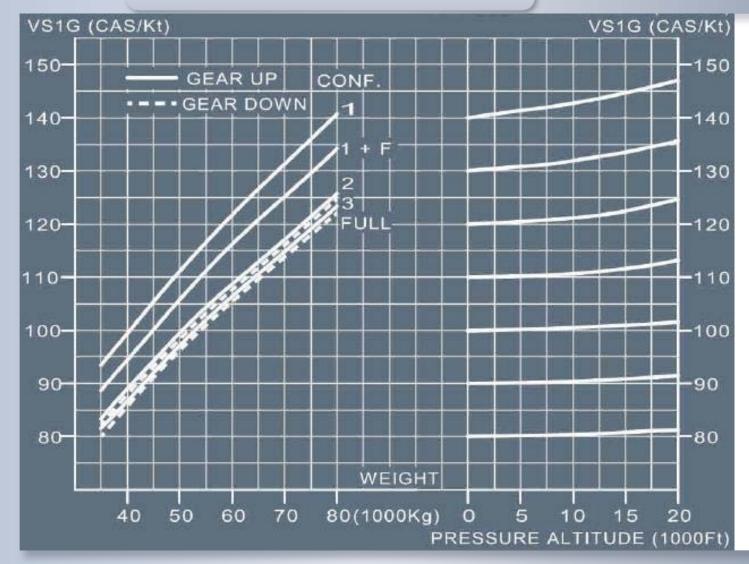






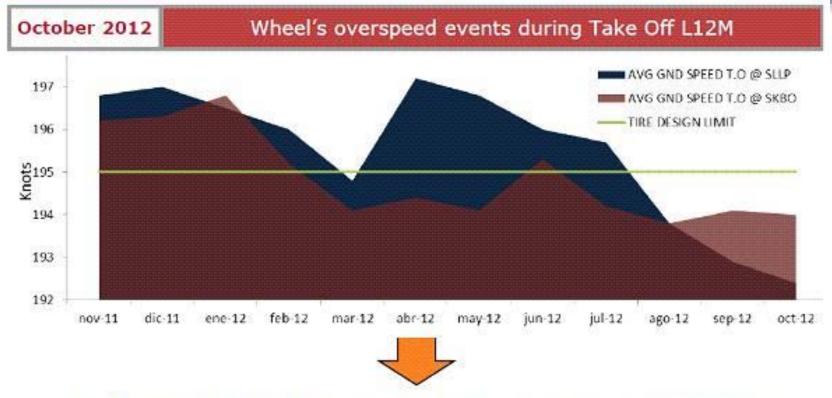


Atmosphere and Aerodynamics, Air speed,





An increased limit from 195kt to 197kt or a new tire design would reduce significantly the revenue lost



Corrective actions after this kind of events increases revenue lost as well as preventive actions.

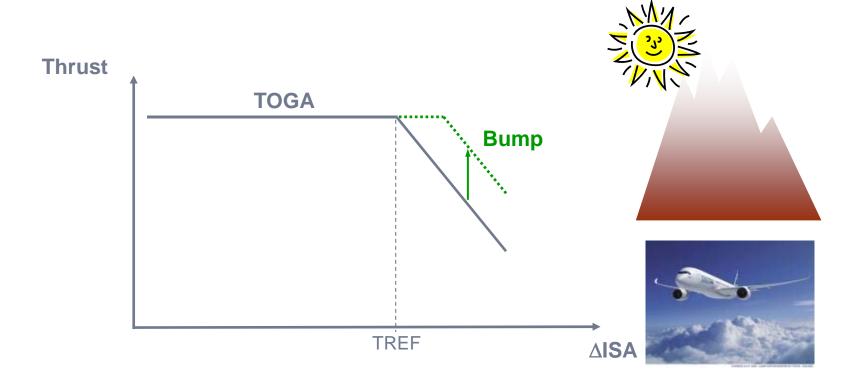
Avianca has reduced those events in SKBO by changing the **rotation technique policies**, and **aircraft take off configuration**, but for flights departing **from SLLP** it has been necessary to **reduce the payload** capacity (~2 TON)



Performance Benefit

Bump option is effective for hot and/or high conditions

Bump option increases TOGA thrust rating (up to 10%)





A319 has more RNP ops approvals

Airport list of RNP AR in China - A319

Airport	Туре	Design	Status
Bangda	A319	Naverus	In operation
Jiuzhai	A319	Naverus	In process
Lhasa	A319	Naverus	In operation
Linzhi	A319	Naverus	In operation
Yushu	A319	Naverus	In process
Huangshan	A319	Quovadis	In operation
Lijiang	A319	Quovadis	In operation
Panzhihua	A319	Quovadis	In process
Xining	A319	Quovadis	In process
Yanji	A319	Quovadis	In operation
Lhasa	A330	Naverus	In operation
Sanya	A330	Quovadis	In process

Airport list of RNP AR in China - 737-700

Airport	Туре	Design	Status
Lijiang	B737-700	Jeppesen	In operation
Linzhi	B737-700	Jeppesen	In operation

..... and <u>is operating</u> on all of high altitude airports





Aircraft and Engine design – Customisation

FADEC

BUMP

Special design and equipments, new systems (FAN, ATSAW)





Pressurisation

Oxygen



Brake fan

Wheels

ACTION

PROGRA



Aircraft and Engine design – Customization

From Gijs TOORENAAR, Customization Account Director

Special design and equipments, new systems (FAN, ATSAW)

- High altitude operations depend much on the local airworthiness authorities requirements.
- For example, the CAAC requires a 55mn passenger oxygen supply in case of emergency decent. However, other high altitude configurations not in CAAC jurisdiction could have the basic 15 mn oxygen supply or the optional 22 mn.

This also depends on the emergency descent possibilities.

• All Chinese high altitude configurations have the highest thrust engines installed but please note that other configurations could have engines with less thrust. This has to be calculated on a case by case basis.

For China,

- Increased design weights MTOW 70T, MLW 62.5T, MZFW 58.5T (WV 005)
- Certification for high altitude ops up to 14500 ft (this installs, amongst others, the switch NORMAL/HIGH ALT in passenger oxygen system)
- Extended duration of passenger gaseous oxygen system
- Highest thrust engine IAE or CFM
- CPC (SA)

Please note that the gaseous oxygen system is not retrofitable according the program policy note attached.

- Concerning the communications system, CES used to have 2 HF transceivers but this has changed to 1 HF and one SATCOM with cockpit voice interface.
- The dual advisory ice detection system could be useful.

Other configurations outside China include options as:

- Water/waste freezing protection for extended flight conditions
- 15 knots tailwind certification at landing
- 15 knots tailwind certification at take off





Aircraft and Engine design

Existing Mod's – To be updated

Special design and equipments, new systems (FAN, ATSAW)

MUTUT MUZUT MUZT CERTIFICATION STATES

	Airbus	Maximum Altitude for	System Change
Models	Modification	Takeoff and Landing (ft)	Specific Procedure
320-111 320-211			
320-212 320-231	Basic	8000	
320-111			
320-211 320-212	MOD 23871	9200	
320-214 320-232	Basic	9200	
320-233			-
	MOD 23108 Or		
320-231	MOD 23109 Or	9200	
	MOD 23408		
320-231 (fitted with a 4- wheel bogie)	Basic	8000	
320-231		12000	NO
(fitted with a 4- wheel bogie)	MOD 20127 MOD 21533	(only JAA (1))	YES (2)
			YES (3)
320-232 320-233	MOD 25815	14100	YES (4) (Different procedures between JAA and FAA)
All A321 models	Basic	9200	_
All A319 models	Basic	9200	
319-115 319-131			YES (3)
319-132 319-133	MOD 25615	14100	YES (4) (Different procedures between JAA and FAA)

- Due to the "EXCESS CAB ALT" warning, the FAA does not certify an extension above 9200 ft without a modification of the pressurization system.
- (2) The DGAC certified operational procedures for operations above 9200ft, to clear the "EXCESS CAB ALT" warning when triggered.
- (3) The CPCS design change prevents the "EXCESS CAB ALT" warning from triggering above 9200 ft. Moreover, a dedicated "HIGH ALT LDG" switch is embodied to prevent oxygen mask deployment.
- (4) A specific procedure provides the new "EXCESS CAB ALT" warning setting in high altitude. It also specifies the use of the "HIGH ALT LDG" switch.









Aircrew and Ground staff training



One day seminar split in Part A + B

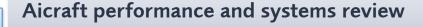
Part A: Pilot Briefing



0900:1000 Theory



1015:1100





1115:1215

Aircraft handling-flying techniques



1145:1315



1330:1830

Lunch/video

Part B: Simulator exercise (A320 or A330)

• Each crew perform 2h (2 crews)













Aircrew and Ground staff training



Theory

- 1. Airport design
- 2. Weather phenomenon
- 3. Medical aspects

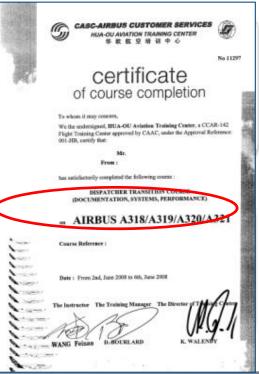
- 1. Loading envelop (Theory)
- 2. Multiple Errors or ZFW and T/O speeds
- 3. GTG to Weight and Balance

Performance

- Decision Speed Characteristic speed
- 2. Gradients all phase of flight
- 3. Use@doc (FCOM's, MEL)
- 4. Use of EFB
- 5. Flight preparation

Flying techniques

- Rejected Take off –Tire speed
- 2. All Engine & OEO after T/O
- 3. In flight Shut down
- 4. S/F failures
- 5. Landing safe
- 6. Go around







Approval process / HEAOps Requirements





Operational evaluation of each HEA Ops procedure

- As required, development of specific flight crews procedures.
- Validation of the Navigation database.



Flight Operational Safety Assessment (FOSA)

The use of EASA certified HEA values alleviate the need for a FOSA.



Aircrew and Ground staff training



Operational documentation

Procedure charts, specific flight crew procedures, limitations. Required equipment.



HEA monitoring program







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