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This chapter was drafted based on the Special Report that was prepared by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) following a request from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (IPCC, 1999). In this context, the state of understanding of the relevant science of the atmosphere, aviation technology, and socio-economic issues associated with mitigation options is assessed and reported for both subsonic and supersonic fleets. The potential effects that aviation has had in the past and may have in the future on both stratospheric ozone depletion and global climate change are covered; environmental impacts of aviation at the local scale, however, are not addressed.

# Chapter 2

Aviation-related emissions and their impacts are comprehensively discussed in this chapter. Previous studies are described in section two, and their relevance is discussed throughout the chapter. In section three, five common emissions species with contrail formation are described along with qualitative and quantitative results from important investigations. Relationships between aviation emissions and fuel usage are also illustrated. In the mitigation strategies section, emission abatement methods are investigated, focusing on three main areas: technology, flight procedures, and alternative fuels. Both theoretical and practical methods with the potential to decrease emissions are discussed. In the legislation section, the status of emissions regulations is discussed, and emissions charges applied by airports are identified. Examples are provided throughout the chapter to illustrate the points addressed. To complement the main body of the chapter, much detailed information related to aircraft emissions compiled from various sources are provided in the appendix.

## Chapter 3

Effective Human Factors Engineering (HFE) has provided the aerospace industry with design considerations that promote aviation safety in the development of complex aircraft systems, as well as the operators and maintainers that utilize those systems. HFE is an integral aspect within the systems engineering process. Measuring the effectiveness of Human Systems Integration (HSI) in the research & development stage is critical for the design of new and modified systems. This chapter focuses on how providing effective HFE design solutions enhances product design and system safety. Providing the customer with safe and reliable products augments mission capabilities throughout the product lifecycle.

# Chapter 4

The purpose of this chapter is to describe important aspects of how to manage human factors in the development of fighter aircraft, by presenting prominent features of the domain, corresponding design concepts to cope with what is special, and guidance in the approach to managing human factors in the development of fighter aircraft. The chapter includes a description of the domain of fighter aircraft development, followed by a section on how to design for what is special about a fighter pilot, a fighter aircraft, and the flight environment. Examples of design concepts from the domain, such as HOTAS and Basic-T are discussed in light of domain specific demands. Later, human factor considerations, such as evaluation of human factors and usable systems, are discussed together with how to manage human factors in development.

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This chapter discusses the historical approaches to monitoring aviation fuel quality, and the current industry movement towards continuous monitoring electronic measurement systems. The application of mature technology from other industries is reviewed and found to be inadequate. A new type of sensing system designed specifically for the needs of aviation fuel quality is introduced, showing advanced user features and proven to be far more accurate than any other method current available. This article also discusses a typical problem in real world applications where a combination of contaminant is encountered, and how only the new type of sensing system can properly measure the contamination to aviation fuel quality specifications.

# Chapter 6

Reducing stress and weight of structures are most important to structural designers. Most engineering structures are an assembly of different parts. On most of these structures, parts are assembled by bolts, rivets, et cetera. This riveted and bolted structure is highly used in aerospace industry. These holes that are drilled for bolts and rivets work as stress raisers. Defense hole theory deals with introducing auxiliary holes beside the main hole to reduce the stress concentration by smoothing the stress trajectories in the vicinity of the main hole. These holes are introduced in the areas of low stresses that appear near the main circular hole. Defense hole system under uniaxial loading is investigated. The optimum defense hole system parameters for a circular hole in an infinite laminated composite plate are unveiled. This study is conducted using finite element method by utilizing commercial software package. The optimum design of the defense hole system is reached by utilizing the redesign optimization technique and univariate search optimization technique. The finite element model is verified experimentally using RGB-Photoelasticity and by reproducing some well known cases that are available in the literature. Digital Image Processing is utilized to analyze the photoelastic images. Stress concentrations associated with circular holes in pure Uniaxial-loaded laminates can be reduced by up to 24.64%. This significant reduction is made possible by introducing elliptical auxiliary holes along the principal stress direction. The best reduction is achieved when four elliptical defense holes are introduced in the vicinity of the main hole. The effect of the fiber orientation, as well as the stiffness of both the fiber and the matrix are investigated.

### Chapter 7

Stress reduction and increasing the load to weight ratio are two of the main goals of designers. Fiber reinforced composite materials are preferred by aerospace industry because of their high load to weight carrying capacity. Many parts of aircraft structures are assembled by bolts and rivets. These holes that are drilled for bolts and rivets work as stress raisers. Reducing the stress in the vicinity of these holes is a need. Defense hole theory deals with introducing auxiliary holes beside the main hole to reduce the stress concentration by smoothing the stress trajectories in the vicinity of the main hole. These holes are introduced in the areas of low stresses that appear near the main circular hole. Defense hole system under hybrid (shear and tension) loading is investigated. The optimum defense hole system parameters for a circular hole in an infinite laminated composite plate are unveiled. The study has been conducted using finite element method by utilizing commercial software package. The finite element model is verified experimentally using RGB-Photoclasticity. Digital Image Processing is utilized to analyze the photoclastic images.

Chapter 8
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Stress concentration associated with circular holes in hybrid loading (i.e., tension-compression ratios of 0.25, 0.50, and 0.75) achieved maximum reduction of 31.7%. This reduction is obtained by introducing elliptical defense holes along the principal stress direction. Finite element analysis is used to optimize the size and location for defense hole system. The effect of the stacking sequence, the fiber orientation, and the stiffness of both the fiber and the matrix are investigated.

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Even during the economic crisis, air traffic demand has continued to increase in certain areas of the world, such as the Middle East. Other regions are on their way to recover to pre-crisis traffic demands and will shortly be back to previous growth rates. Airport operators and air traffic control service providers face the challenge to handle this traffic in an expeditious, environmentally friendly, and safe way without generating delays. Conventional ATC concepts in many parts of the world need to be augmented with next generation surveillance technology, in order to keep pace with the required level of safety in

those regions. Conventional technologies, such as primary radar and secondary radar, are not able to deliver the required cost-performance ratios for these increasing demands and need to be replaced by multilateration and ADS-B surveillance techniques. This chapter outlines the recent achievements in worldwide operational deployments in the fields of ADS-B and multilateration for airport and air traffic control applications and discusses the integration into larger aviation system applications.

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EPlanAirport is a Web-based tool that allows running complex studies based on airport systems. The primary goal of the tool is helping to the airport stakeholders and policy makers in the decision-support processes. Nowadays, there is a lack of tools and systems that may help the targeted users in such a process. Otherwise, this tool could guide them in the current global scenario. So, ePlanAirport fills this gap detected allowing a non-expert user in complex tools to fulfill successfully his mission. For that purpose, a relevant set of data got in a simple and fast way via Web will be available, and they will help in the planning of airport infrastructures and operations. For instance, the planner will know how a change in an operational procedure or a change in the fleet characteristics or a change in the current infrastructure of the airport will impact on key performance indicators such as capacity, delay, or environment.

# Chapter 14

This chapter introduces the different aviation and airport Information Technology systems. Also, this chapter provides architecture based on the Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) that improves the information accessibility and sharing across the different airport departments, integrating the existing legacy systems with other applications, and improving and maximizing the system's reliability, adaptability, robustness, and availability using the self-healing agent and virtual Web service connector to guarantee the quality of service (QoS).

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This chapter will focus on the role of pilot/flightcrew training and performance evaluation in the identification and management of risk, especially while aloft and in changing conditions. The chapter will integrate different- but we posit interrelated, topic areas: First, a decision-making paradigm for flight crew's use in the operational environment. Second, training and performance evaluation in flight simulators (FS), as well as the design and development of FS scenarios to test decision performance. Third, Relevant Federal Aviation regulations (FAR's) and approved programs in current pilot/flightcrew training. Fourth, accident investigations; the role and use-value of accident investigation data in flying safety. Finally, the authors will present recommendations for the next steps in the development and use of new and emerging technologies for maximum pilot/flight crew decision performance and safety. This will be done via a collaborative ground-air, automated system and is what we propose to achieve our goal, increasing safety of flight.

### Chapter 16

The global positioning satellite system (GPS) has been utilized for commercial use after the year 2000. Since then, GPS receivers have been integrated for accurate positing of ground as well as space ve-

hicles. Almost all aircrafts nowadays rely on GPS based system for their take off, landing, and en-route navigation. Relying on GPS alone does note provide the meter level accuracy needed to guarantee safe operation of aircrafts. Thus several augmentation systems have been deployed worldwide to enhance the accuracy of the GPS system. Several augmentation systems that serve local as well as wide coverage areas are discussed in this chapter, specifically the LAAS system, the WAAS system as well as the EGNOS system. The architecture as well the performance metrics for each of these augmentation systems are presented and discussed.

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Congestion in networks is considered a serious problem; in order to manage and control this phenomena in early stages before it occurs, a derivation of a new discrete-time queuing network analytical model based on dynamic random early drop (DRED) algorithm is derived to present analytical expressions to calculate three performance measures: average queue length (Qavg,j), packet-loss rate (Ploss,j), and packet dropping probability (pd(j)). Many scenarios can be implemented to analyze the effectiveness and flexibility of the model. We compare between the three queue nodes of the proposed model using the derived performance measures to identify which queue node provides better performance. Results show that queue node one provides highest Qavg,j, Ploss,j, and (pd(j)) than queue nodes two and three, since it has the highest priority than other nodes. All the above results of performance measure are obtained only based on the queuing network setting parameters.

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A number of disciplines have approached the concept of knowledge. None of the existing definitions of knowledge can be generalized to other disciplines, and most importantly, none of such attempts fit the requirements of information systems (IS). This chapter suggests to perceive knowledge from the point of view of IS, as an attempt to answer IS requirements better. The proposed vision of knowledge is based on Information Systems' layers.

Virtual Reality (VR) is a technology which has various application fields (from video games to psychiatry). It is indispensable in critical simulation, for instance in military training, in surgical operation simulation, in creation of environments which could set off phobias (in psychiatry), or in realization of virtual prototypes, for instance in industrial design. The aim of this chapter is to present how the VR also finds excellent application fields in architecture and in engineering, for instance, in the teaching of the basic concepts, in techniques of graphic rebuilding for the building restoration, in realization of virtual visits inside buildings, and in urban generative processes simulated by computer. Another use of the virtual reality is in the introduction of a new kind of architecture: Virtual Architecture, strongly connected to the Information and Communication Technology (ITC), to the Internet, and in the virtual prototyping in engineering.

Chapter 21
Effects of Packet-Loss and Long Delay Cycles on the Performance of the TCP
Protocol in Wireless Networks.....

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Many analytical models have been developed to evaluate the performance of the transport control protocol (TCP) in wireless networks. This chapter presents a description, derivation, implementation, and comparison of two well-known analytical models, namely, the PFTK and PLLDC models. The first one is a relatively simple model for predicting the performance of the TCP protocol, while the second model is a comprehensive and realistic analytical model. The two models are based on the TCP Reno flavor, as it is one of the more popular implementations on the Internet. These two models were implemented in a user-friendly TCP performance evaluation package (TCP-PEP). The TCP-PEP was used to investigate the effect of packet-loss and long delay cycles on the TCP performance measured in terms of sending rate, throughput, and utilization factor. The results obtained from the PFTK and PLLDC models were compared with those obtained from equivalent simulations carried-out on the widely used NS-2 network simulator. The PLLDC model provides more accurate results (closer to the NS-2 results) than the PFTK model.

# **Preface**

As computer and Information Systems technology advances, industries such as aviation stand to benefit from the overwhelming new advances in hardware, software, and best practices. *Technology Engineering and Management in Aviation: Advancements and Discoveries* details the essential new developments in technology and management in the aviation industry. Specific and important advances in navigation, air traffic control, and environmental impact all make their way into this volume, which also focuses on management policies keeping up with new technology. This volume is a vital reference for practitioners, managers, students, and all those interested in the field of aviation.

Technology Engineering and Management in Aviation: Advancements and Discoveries is composed of 21 chapters written by highly qualified scholars discussing a wide range of topics spanning from aviation environmental crises to technological solution in the aviation industry. The first two chapters discuss aviation and environment; the first chapter is written by Mostafa Jafari, a lead author of IPCC, Nobel Peace Prize Winner for 2007; the second chapter is written by Enis T. Turgut & Marc A. Rosen.

The third and fourth chapters came from scholars affiliated with Boeing Company and Saab Aeronautics bother major airline manufacturers to discuss the topic of *Human Factors*. The third chapter covers *Enhancing Product Safety through Effective Human Factors Engineering Design Solutions* and the fourth discusses *Managing Human Factors in the Development of Fighter Aircraft*.

Chapters five through nine discuss airplane hardware design. The fifth chapter is written by scholars affiliated with Velcon Filters, discussing State-Of-The-Art Real-Time Jet Fuel Quality Measurement. Chapter six discusses Design and Optimization of Defense Hole System for Uniaxially Loaded Laminates. Chapter seven suggests Design and Optimization of Defense Hole System for Hybrid Loaded Laminates. Next, chapter eight propose Design and Optimization of Defense Hole System for Shear Loaded Laminates." Chapter nine discusses Effect of Core Thickness on Load Carrying Capacity of Sandwich Panel Behavior Beyond Yield Limit.

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Chapters thirteen to sixteen suggest computerized solution to existing aviation problems.

Chapter thirteen is titled EPlanAirport: A Web-based tool to user-friendly decision-support systems for airport stakeholders and policy-makers. EPlanAirport is a Web-based tool that allows running complex studies based on airport systems.

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Chapter seventeen through twenty one offer solutions to embedded problems in the IT world. The chapters discuss: simulation, networks congestion, Knowledge management, Virtual reality, and network analytical models.

Chapter seventeen, Applying the Certification's Standards to the Simulation Study Steps, presents the certification standards applied with the simulation study steps, In addition to the Confidence Grid which is used to assets the quality (reliability and accuracy) of the data and the process of the simulation study step which will be the base for the validation and verification.

Chapter eighteen is titled: Derivation A Discrete-time Analytical Model Based on Dynamic Random Early Drop Algorithm. Congestion in networks considered a serious problem, and in order to manage and control this phenomena in early stages before it occurs, a derivation of a new discrete-time queuing network analytical model based on dynamic random early drop (DRED) algorithm is derived to present analytical expressions to calculate three performance measures.

Chapter nineteen covers Knowledge: an Information Systems Practical Perspective. This chapter suggests to perceive knowledge from the point of view of IS, as an attempt to answer IS requirements better.

Chapter twenty is titled: Virtual Reality in Architecture, Engineering and Beyond. The aim of this chapter is to present how the VR also finds excellent application fields in architecture and in engineering. Examples include: in the teaching of the basic concepts, in techniques of graphic rebuilding for the building restoration, in realization of virtual visits inside buildings, and in urban generative processes simulated by computer.

Chapter twenty one is called: Effects of Packet-Loss and Long Delay Cycles on the Performance of the TCP Protocol in Wireless Networks. This chapter presents a description, derivation, implementation, and comparison of two well-known analytical models, namely, the PFTK and PLLDC models. The two models are based on the TCP Reno flavor as it is one of the more popular implementation on the Internet. These two models were implemented in a user-friendly TCP performance evaluation package (TCP-

PEP). The TCP-PEP was used to investigate the effect of packet-loss and long delay cycles on the TCP performance measured in terms of sending rate, throughput, and utilization factor. The results obtained from the PFTK and PLLDC models were compared with those obtained from equivalent simulations carried-out on the widely used NS-2 network simulator. The PLLDC model provides more accurate results (closer to the NS-2 results) than the PFTK model.

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# Chapter 1

# Aviation Industry and Environment Crisis:

A Perspective of Impacts on the Human, Urban and Natural Environments

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### **ABSTRACT**

This chapter was prepared based upon an invitation made by the Conference organizers, to be presented by the author as opening keynote speaker to highlight "Aviation Industry and Environment Crisis" and focus on the impacts on the human, urban and natural environments. The importance and various dimensions of the issue have been reported by the IPCC following a request from the ICAO and the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer in 1999.

### INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

This paper was drafted based on the Special Report that was prepared by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) following a request from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (IPCC,

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1999). In this context, the state of understanding of the relevant science of the atmosphere, aviation technology, and socio-economic issues associated with mitigation options is assessed and reported for both subsonic and supersonic fleets. The potential effects that aviation has had in the past and may have in the future on both stratospheric ozone depletion and global climate change are covered; environmental impacts of aviation at the local scale, however, are not addressed.

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