

# Melbourne Airport

# Taxiway Delay Analysis

# SIMMOD Case Study

September 12, 2006



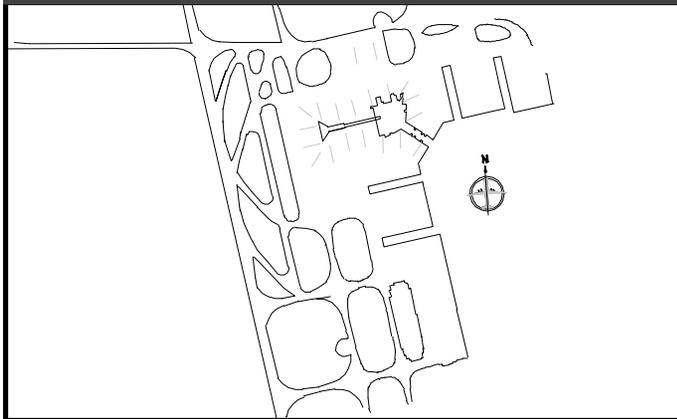
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- Evaluate eight alternative airfield layouts
  - Two international concourse extension concepts
    - B4a and A3-1
  - Four alternate taxiway configurations for each concept to evaluate benefits of an extended Taxiway D and/or additional crossover taxiway serving Pier E
- Performance metrics:
  - Total daily travel time and operations count on terminal area taxiways and taxilanes serving Pier D
  - Total daily delay on strategic taxiway and taxilane segments near Pier D

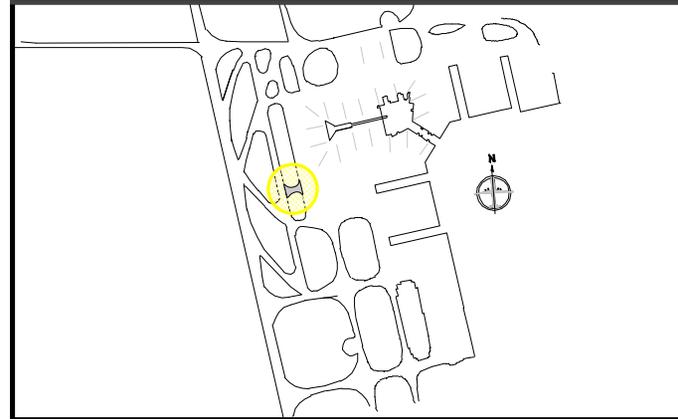


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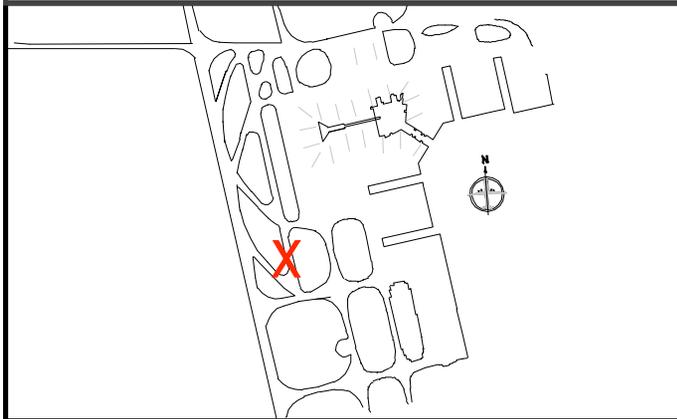
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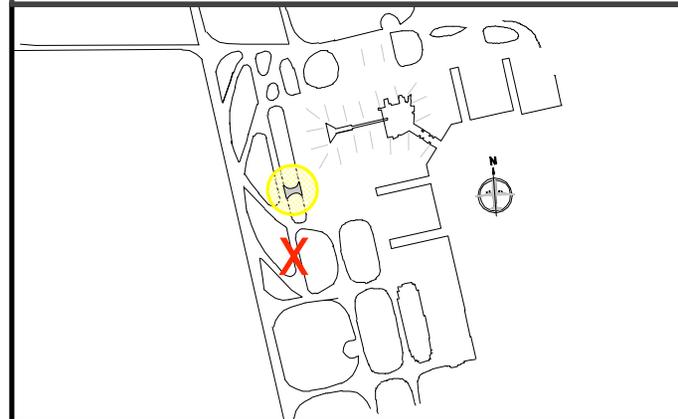
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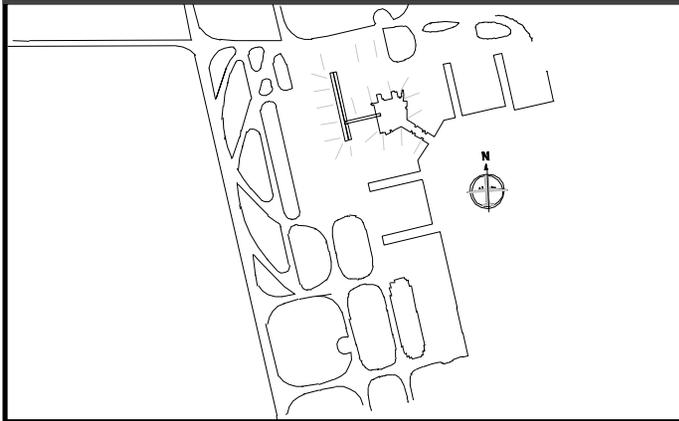


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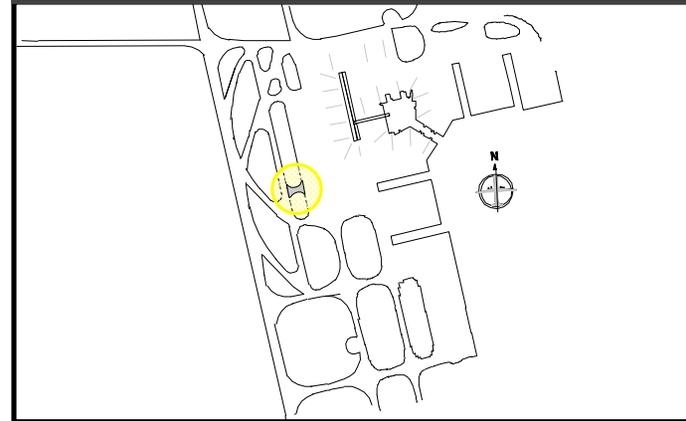


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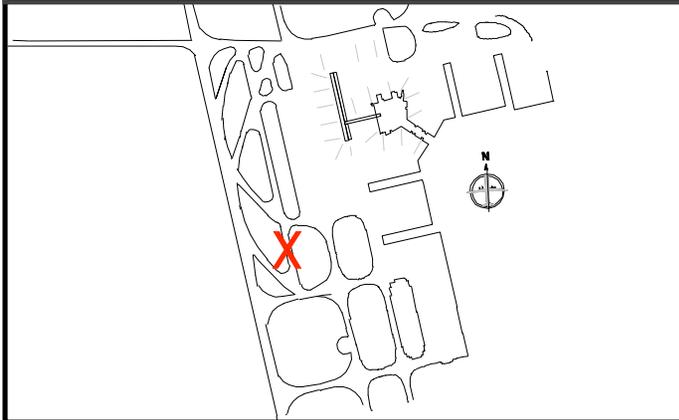
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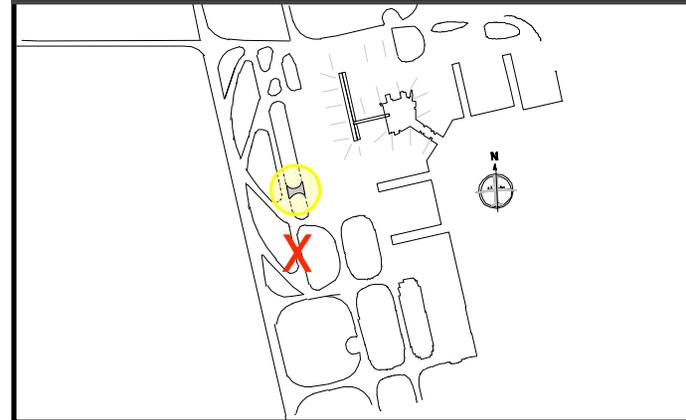
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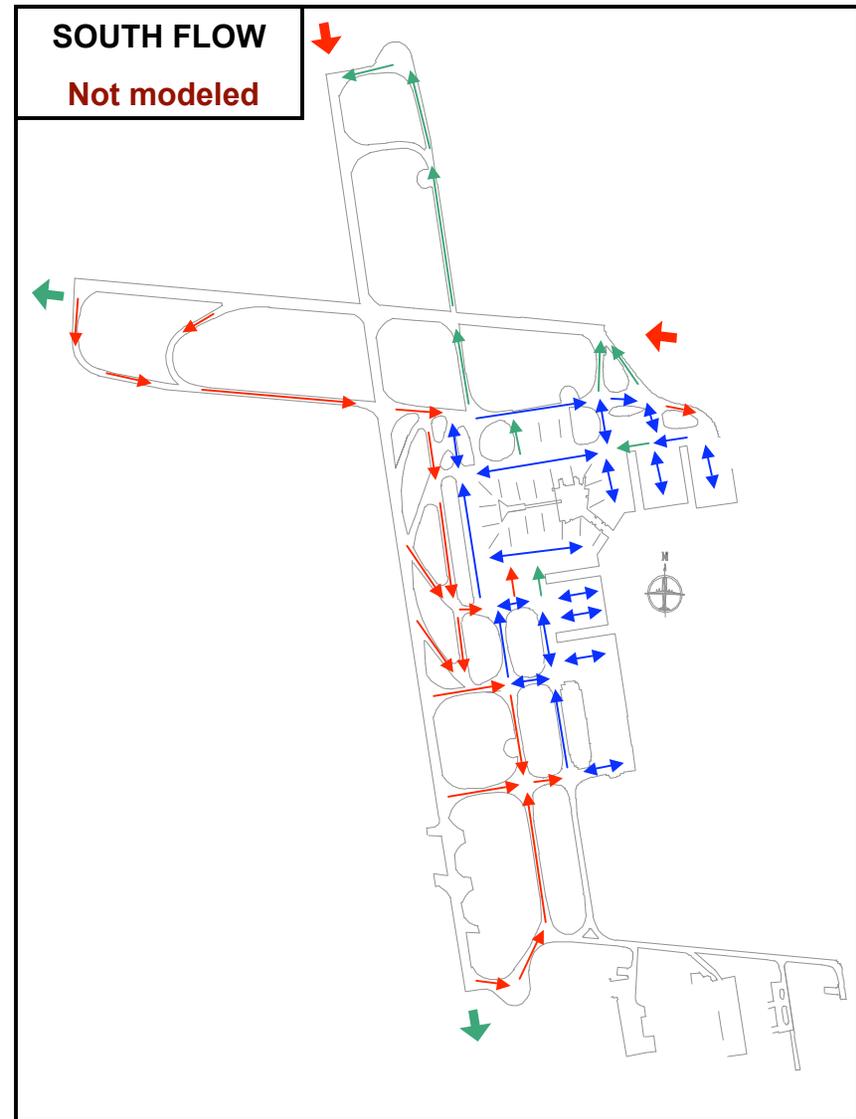
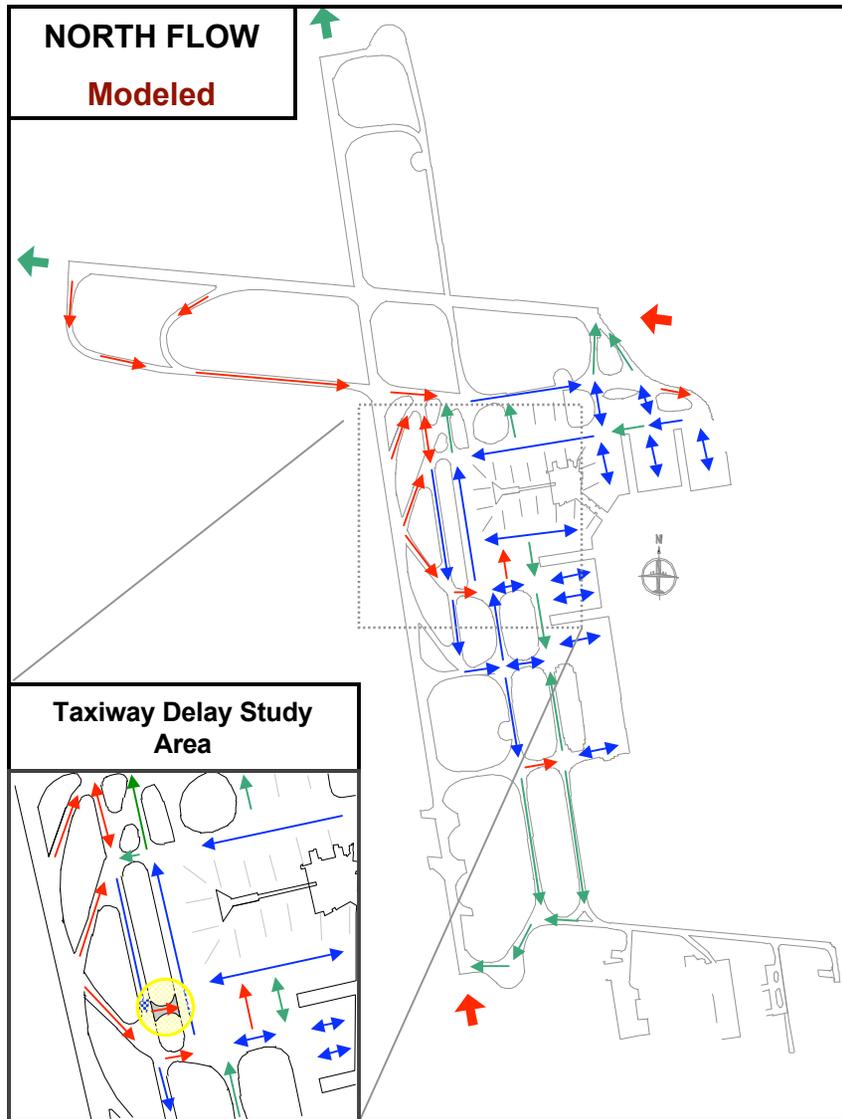


# Modeling Assumptions

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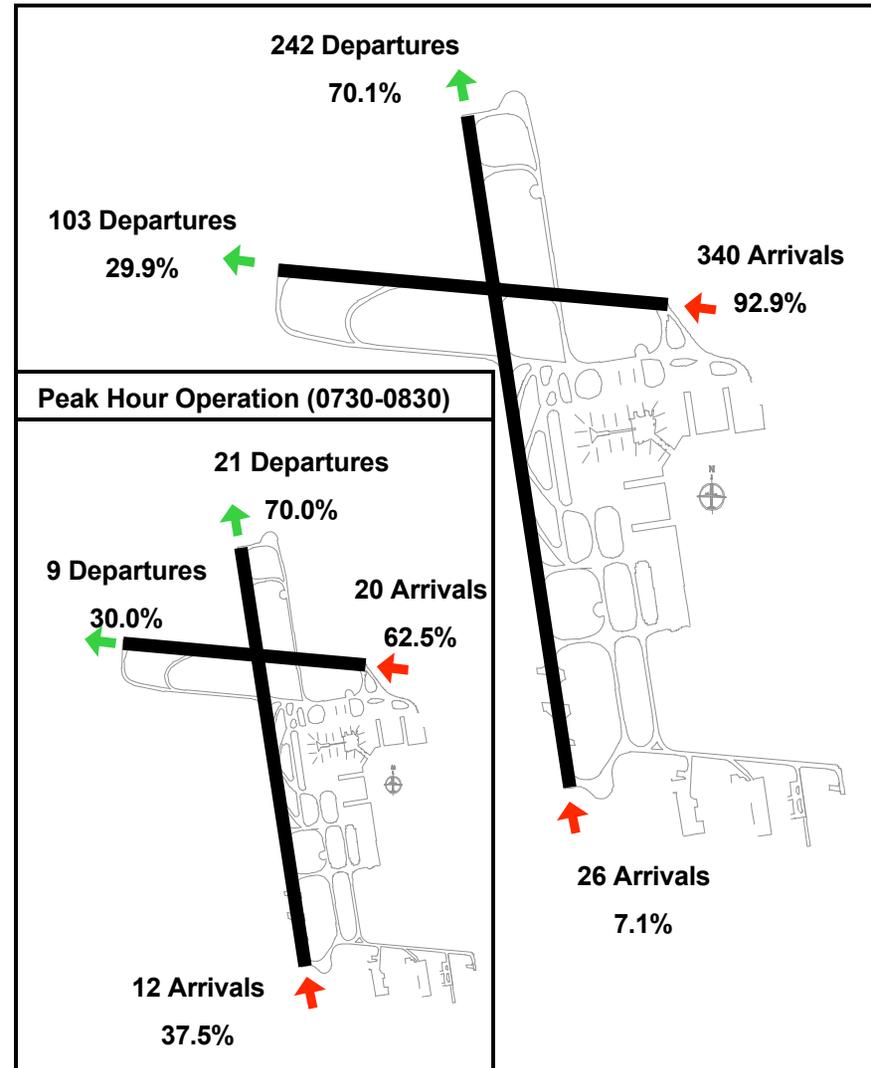


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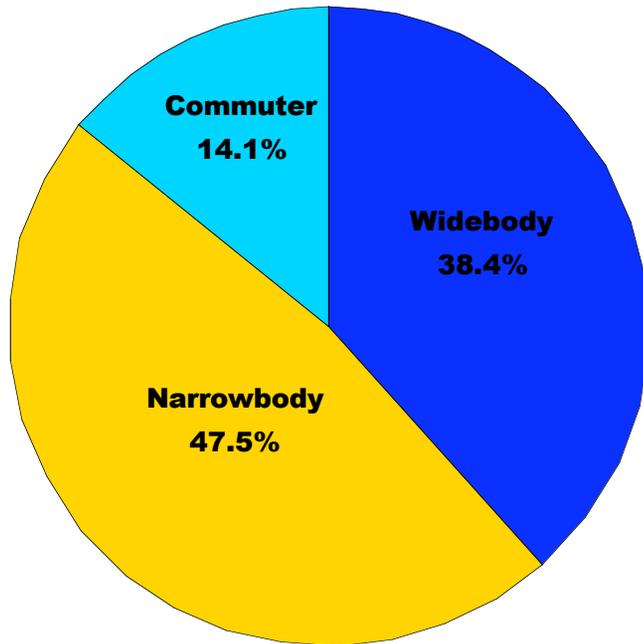


# Air Traffic Control Assumptions

- 2015 forecast demand
- Gated flight schedule
- North flow airfield operation
- Visual flight rules
- Typical taxi routes



# Future Flight Schedule Summary

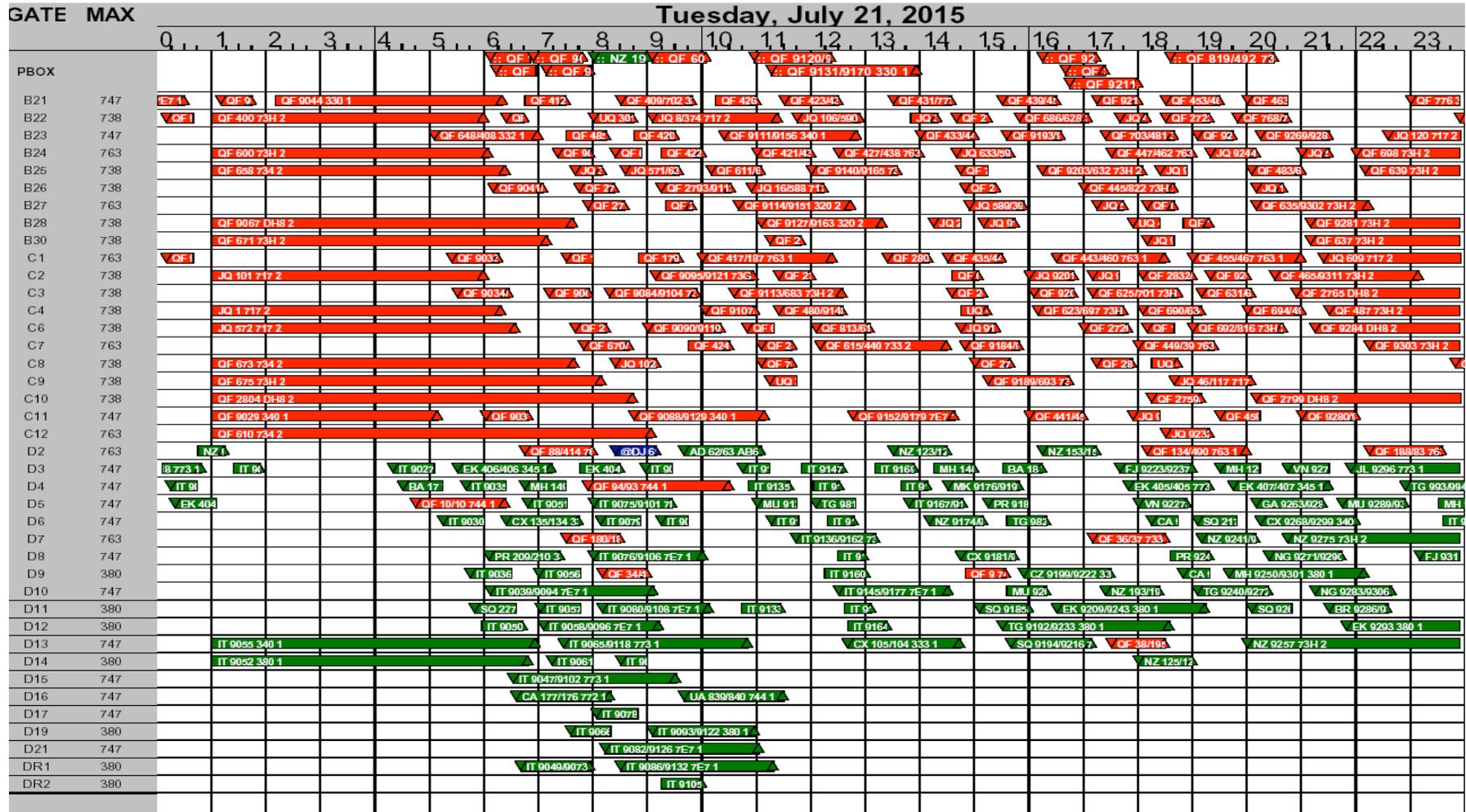


|              | <u>Equipment</u> | <u>Operations</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Wide         | A300             | 2                 | 0.3%              |
|              | A330             | 43                | 6.0%              |
|              | A340             | 30                | 4.2%              |
|              | A380             | 21                | 3.0%              |
|              | B747             | 15                | 2.1%              |
|              | B757             | 20                | 2.8%              |
|              | B767             | 36                | 5.1%              |
|              | B777             | 26                | 3.7%              |
|              | B7E7             | 80                | 11.3%             |
|              | <b>Total</b>     |                   | <b>273</b>        |
| Narrow       | A320             | 61                | 8.6%              |
|              | B717             | 42                | 5.9%              |
|              | B737             | 235               | 33.1%             |
|              | <b>Total</b>     |                   | <b>338</b>        |
| Commuter     | BAE300           | 9                 | 1.3%              |
|              | DH8              | 58                | 8.2%              |
|              | SW3/4            | 26                | 3.7%              |
|              | Other            | 7                 | 1.0%              |
|              | <b>Total</b>     |                   | <b>100</b>        |
| <b>Total</b> |                  | <b>711</b>        | <b>100.0%</b>     |



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Concourses B,C and D - Option B4B - July 21, 2015/16



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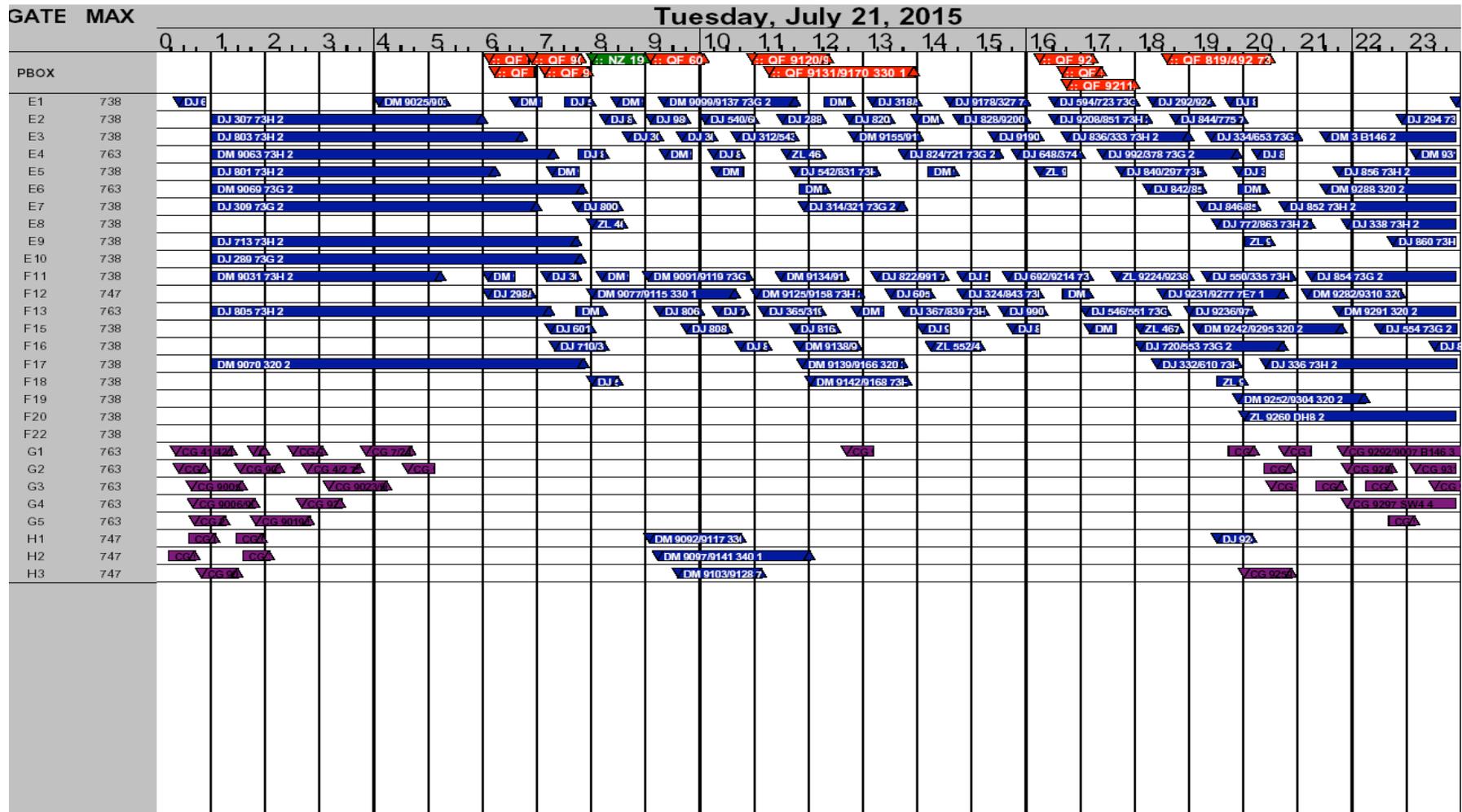


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# Gate Usage (2)

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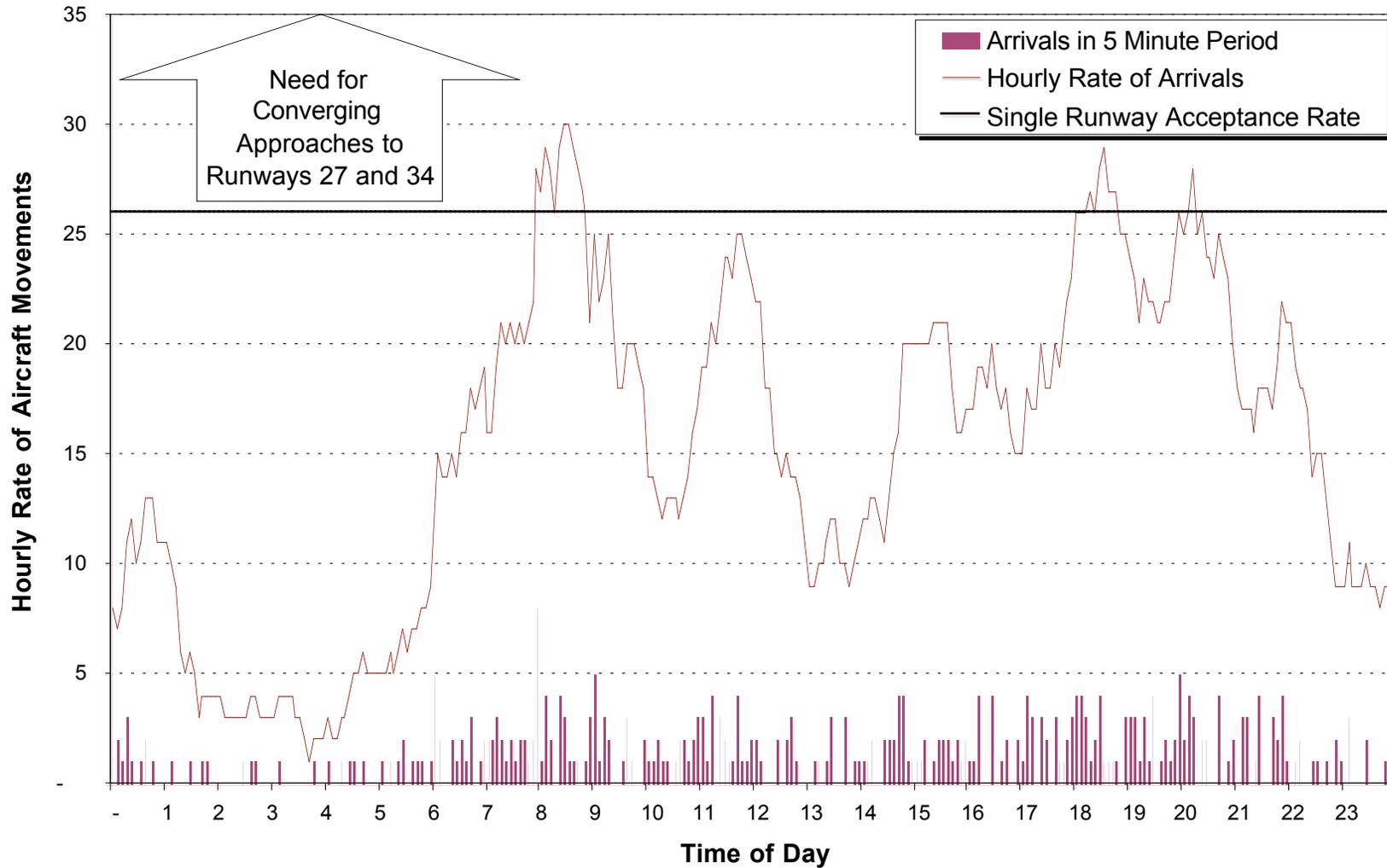
# Runway Use Assumptions

- Study only evaluates north flow
- Demand analyzed to determine need for dual approaches to Runways 27 and 34 by time of day
- Dual departures on Runways 27 and 34
  - All heavy jets depart on Runway 34
  - Other departure demand split between Runways 27 and 34



# Analysis of Arrival Runway Demand VFR \_ North Flow

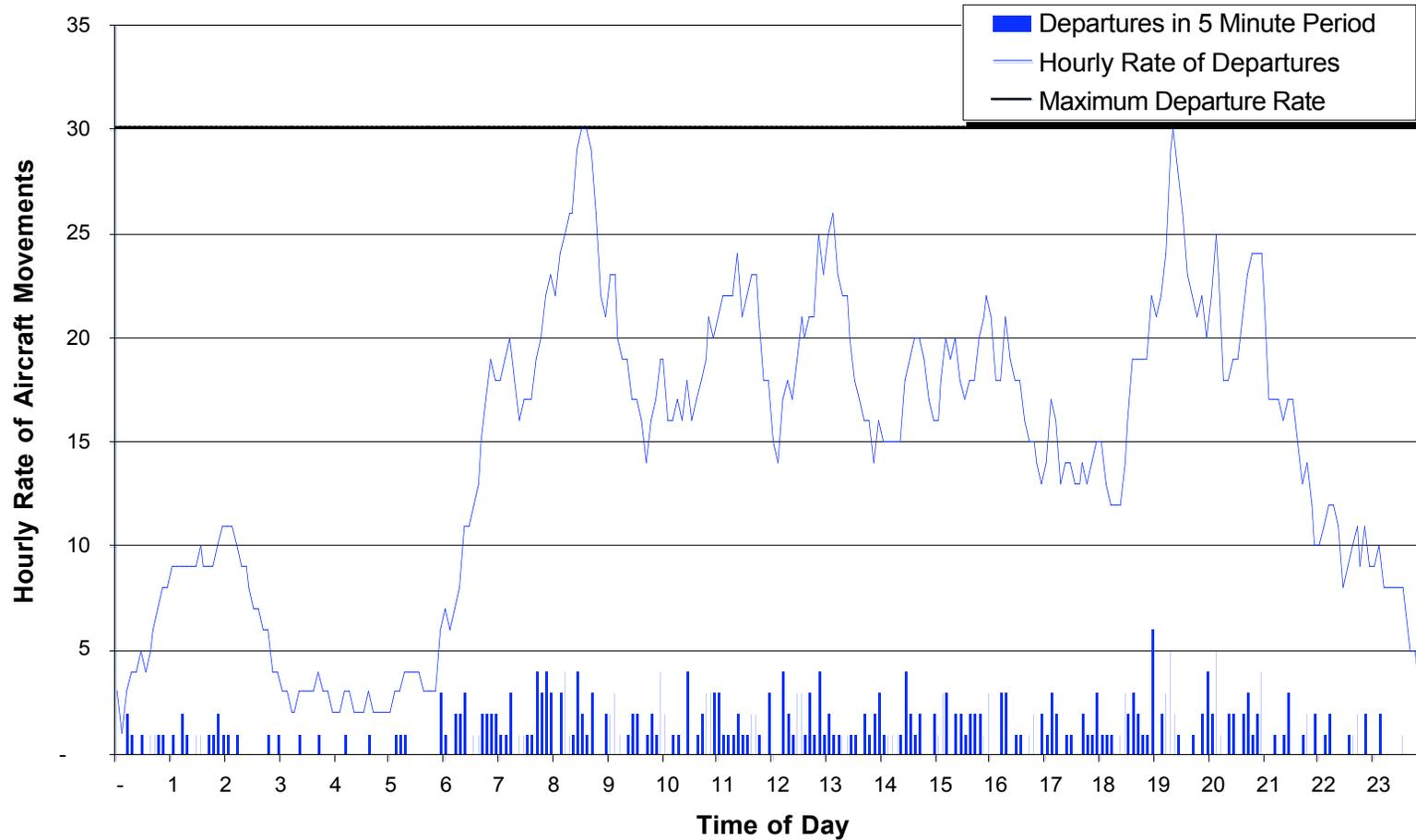
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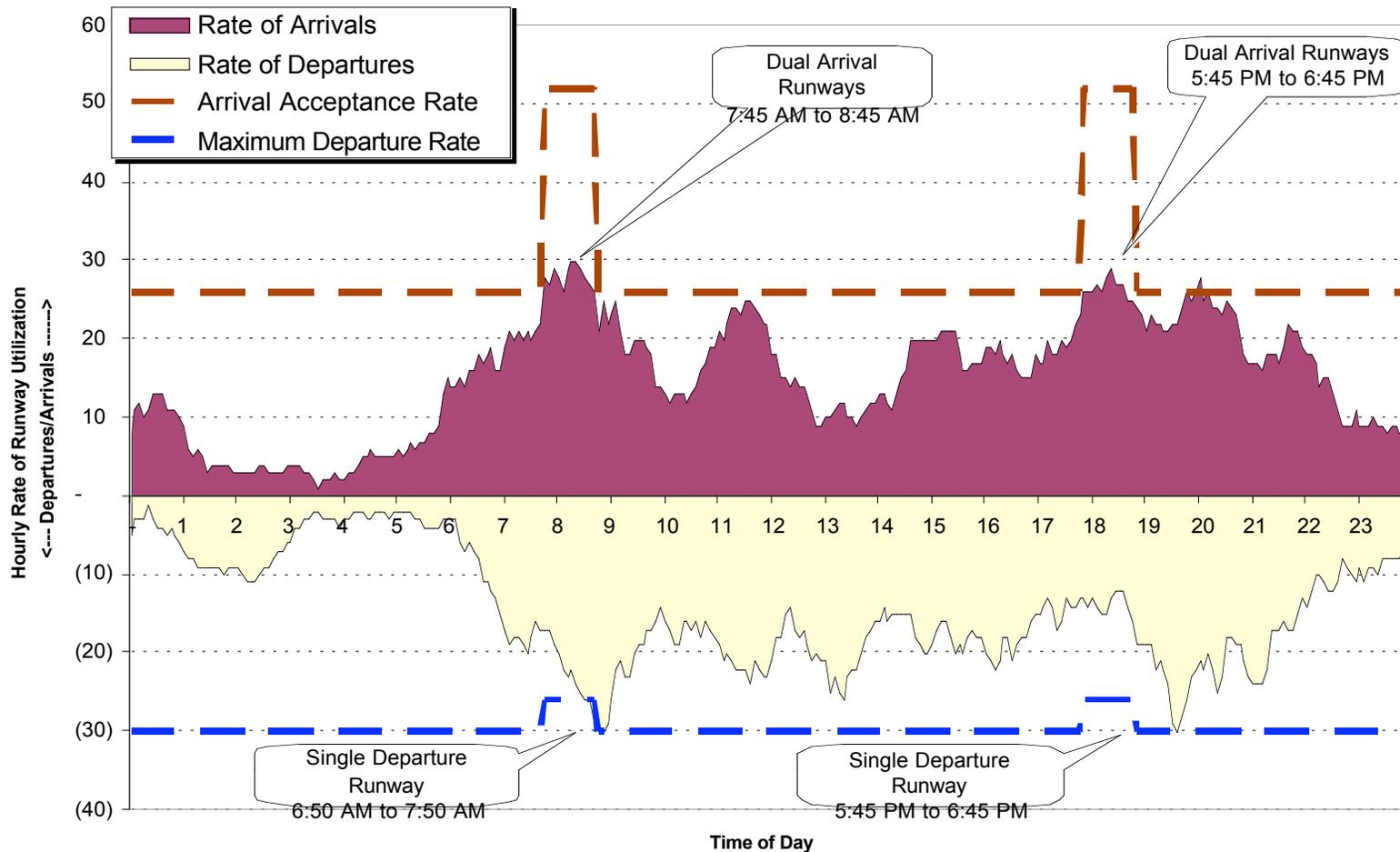
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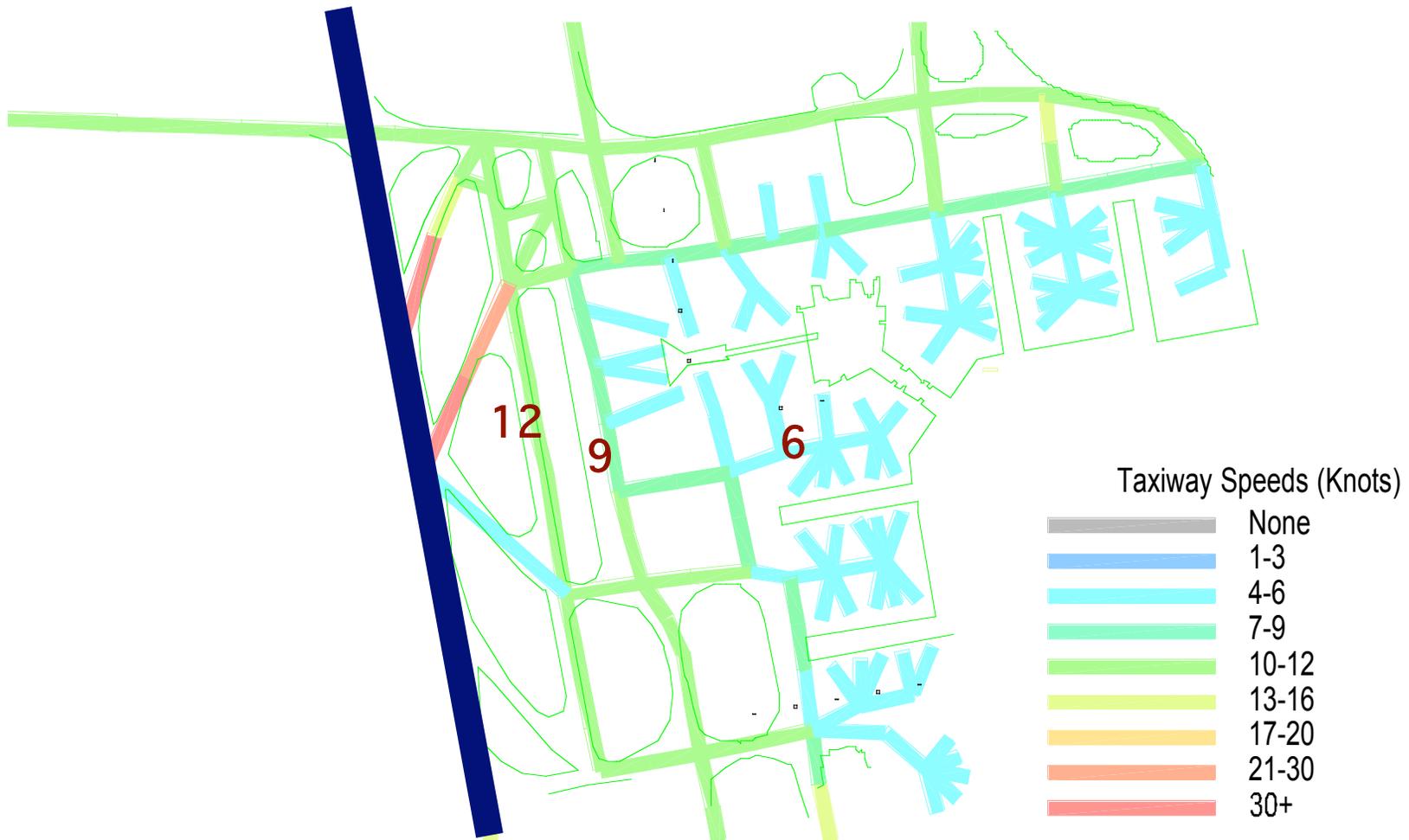


# Evaluation of Arrival and Departure Capacity Needs

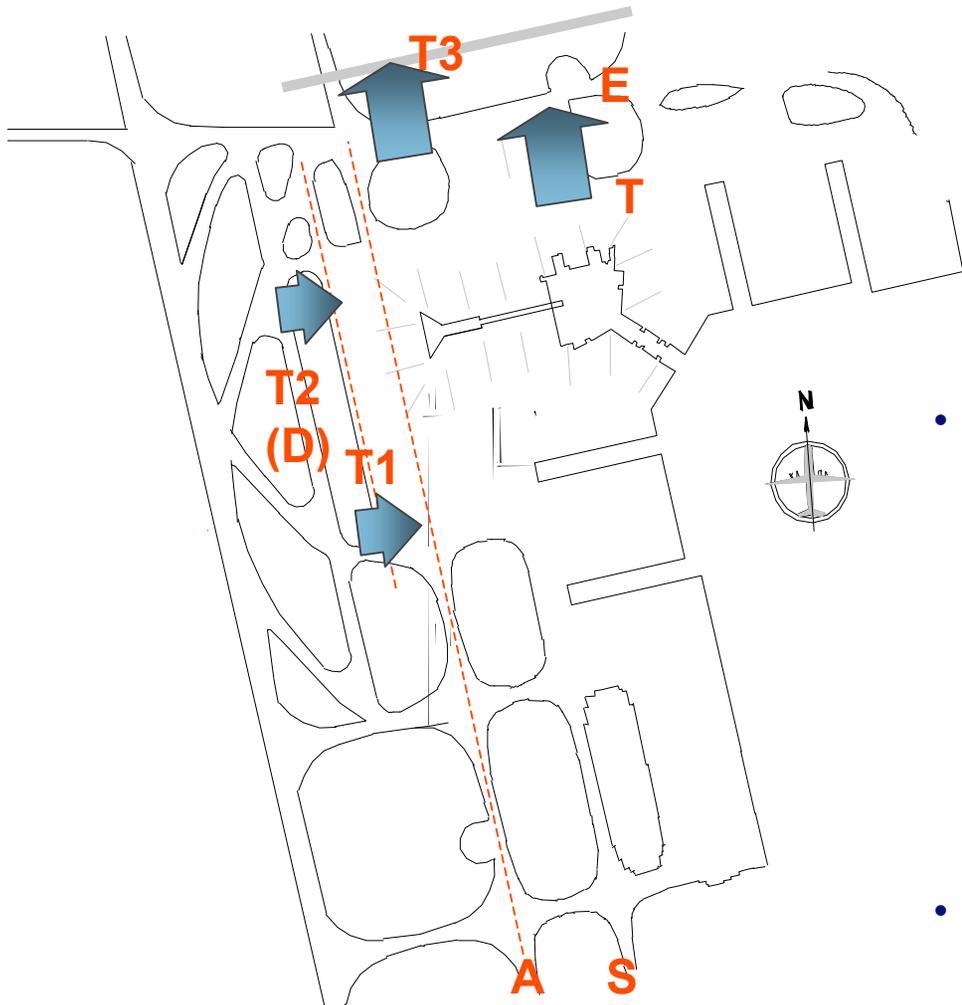
Runway Configuration Usage Plan  
2015 Forecast Demand



# Taxiway Speed Assignments



# Concept 3A Modeling Approach



- 3A airfield network derived from B4A airfield network with the following changes:
  - Gates D12 and D17 reconfigured to pushback to Taxiway A
  - Taxiway A operations modeled on Concept B4-A Taxiway T1
  - T1 operations modeled on Concept B4-A Taxiway T2 (D)
- Preliminary analysis indicated single taxiway North of terminal complex not able to support 375 daily operations, existing dual taxiway configuration is required
  - Concept 3A will require an additional parallel taxiway (T3) north of Taxiway E, extending from TWY A to TWY P
  - Dual taxiway configuration modeled on existing taxiways
- Nine gates change location between concepts, minimal difference in unimpeded taxi times



# Taxiway Flow Analysis Results

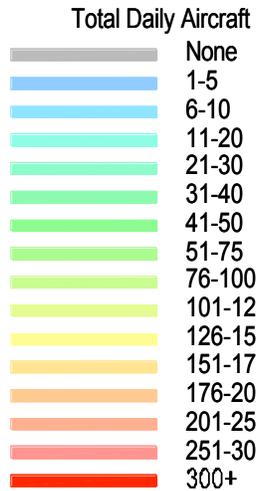
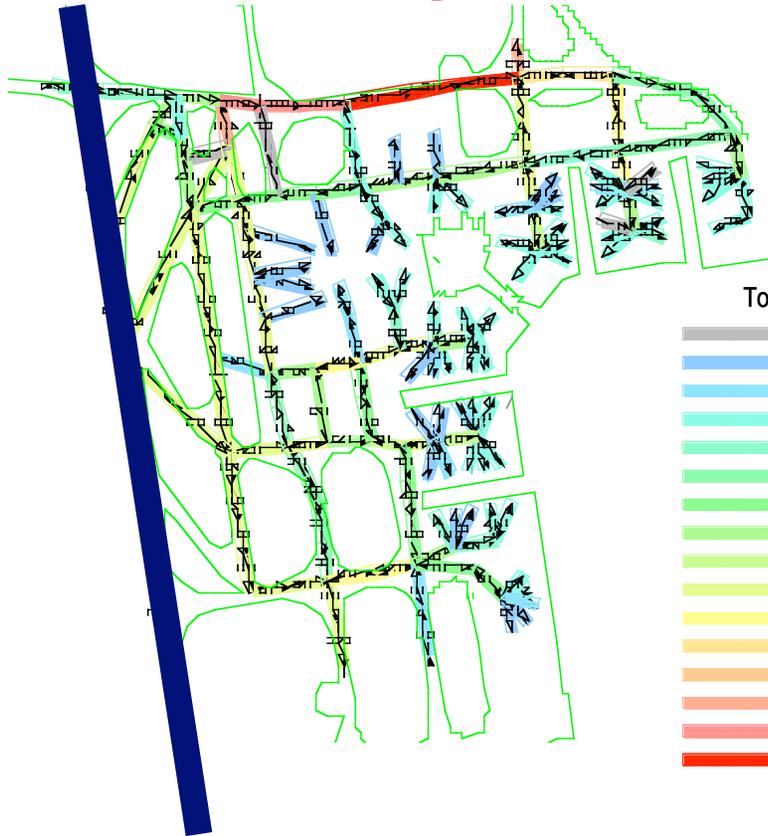
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6. A3 – With Extended Relocated Taxiway D and Without Additional Crossover
7. A3 – Without Extended Relocated Taxiway D and With Additional Crossover
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10. Need for simultaneous two-way movements



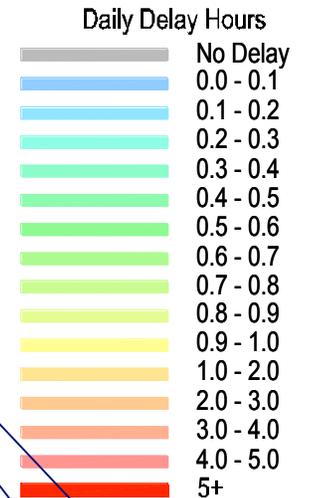
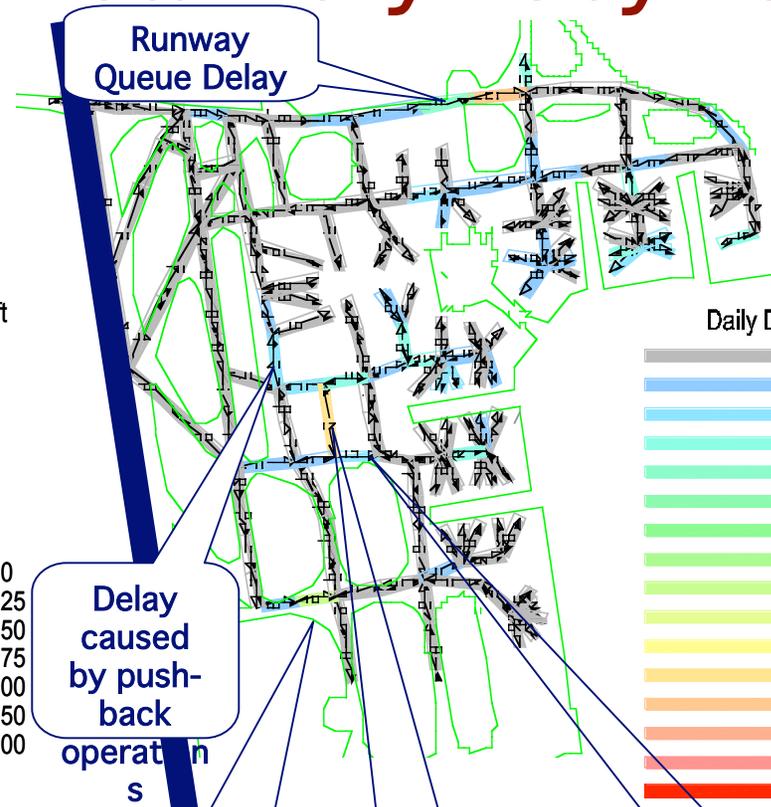
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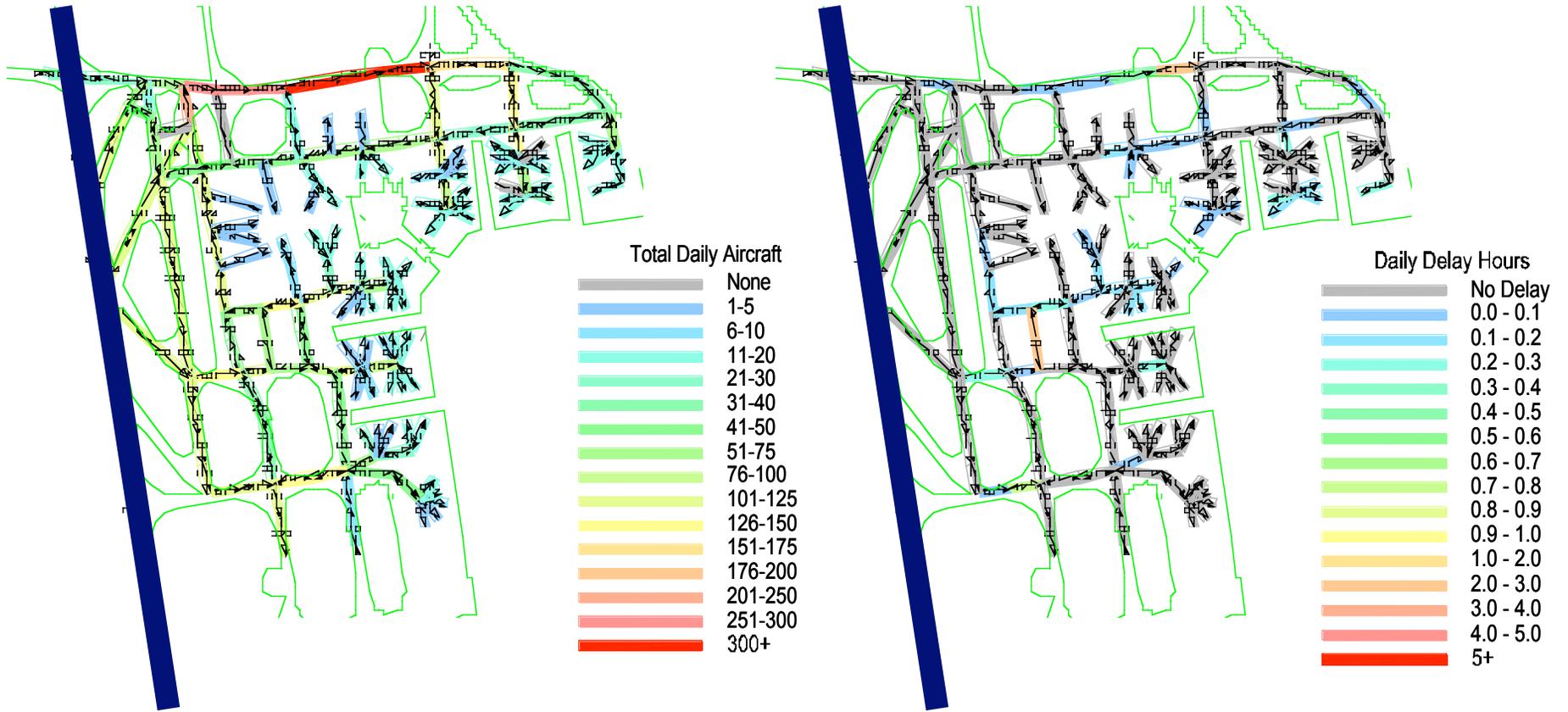


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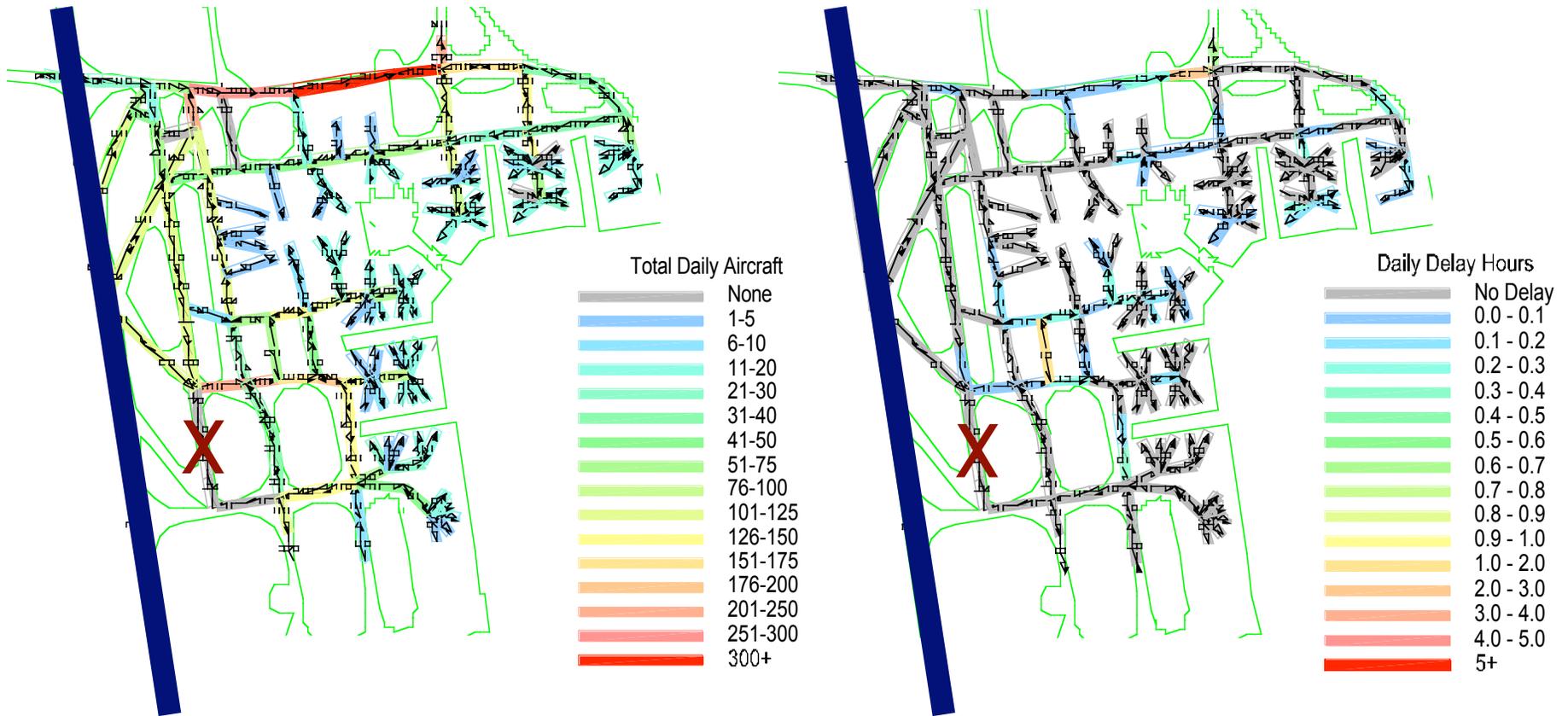


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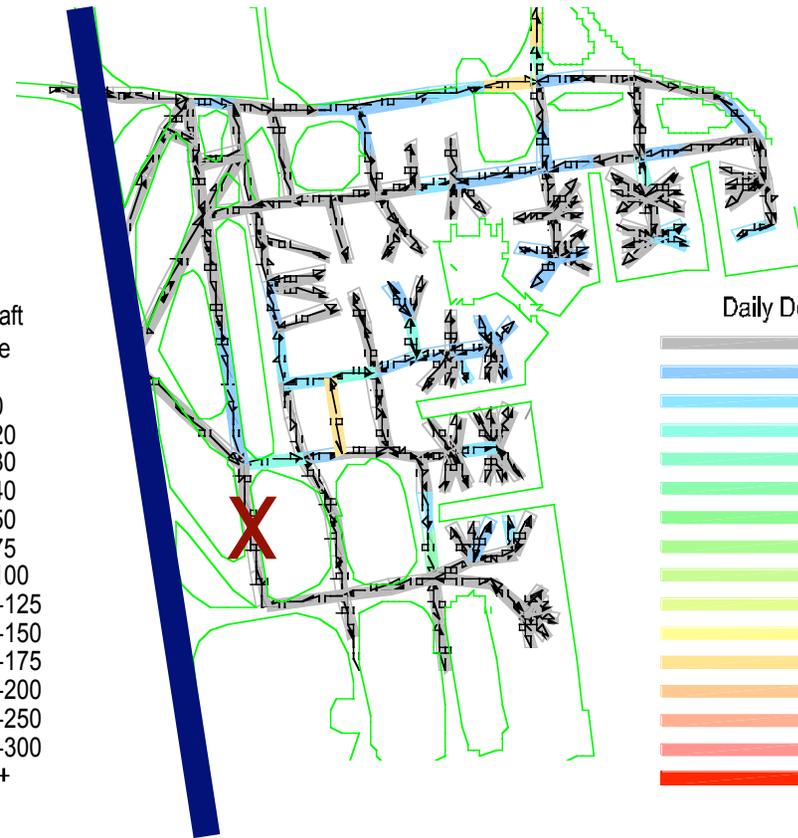


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| Green        | 21-30   |
| Light Yellow | 31-40   |
| Yellow       | 41-50   |
| Light Orange | 51-75   |
| Orange       | 76-100  |
| Light Red    | 101-125 |
| Red          | 126-150 |
| Dark Red     | 151-175 |
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| Yellow       | 0.5 - 0.6 |
| Light Orange | 0.6 - 0.7 |
| Orange       | 0.7 - 0.8 |
| Light Red    | 0.8 - 0.9 |
| Red          | 0.9 - 1.0 |
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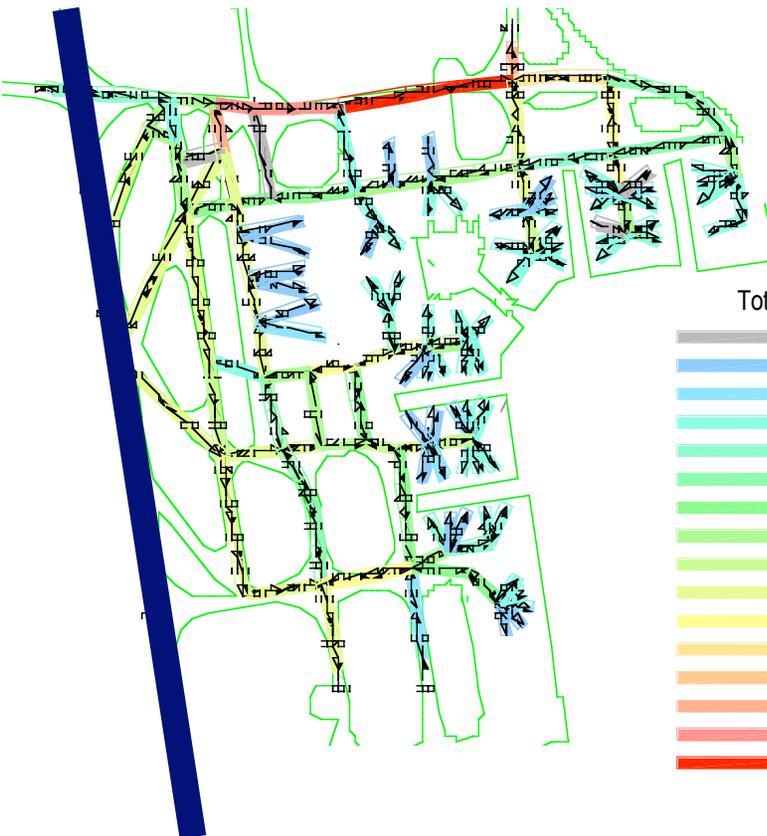
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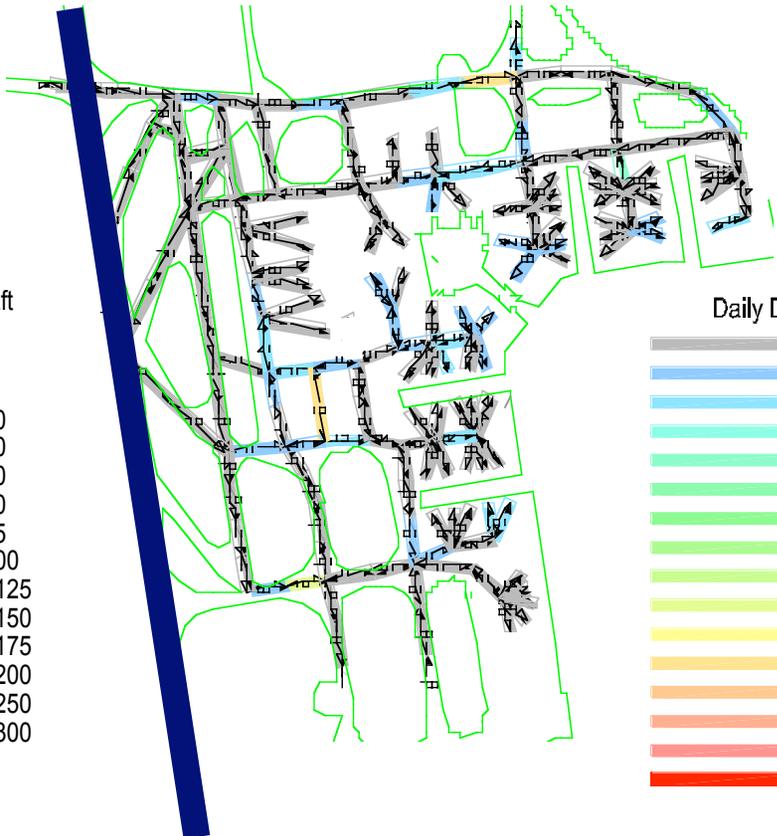
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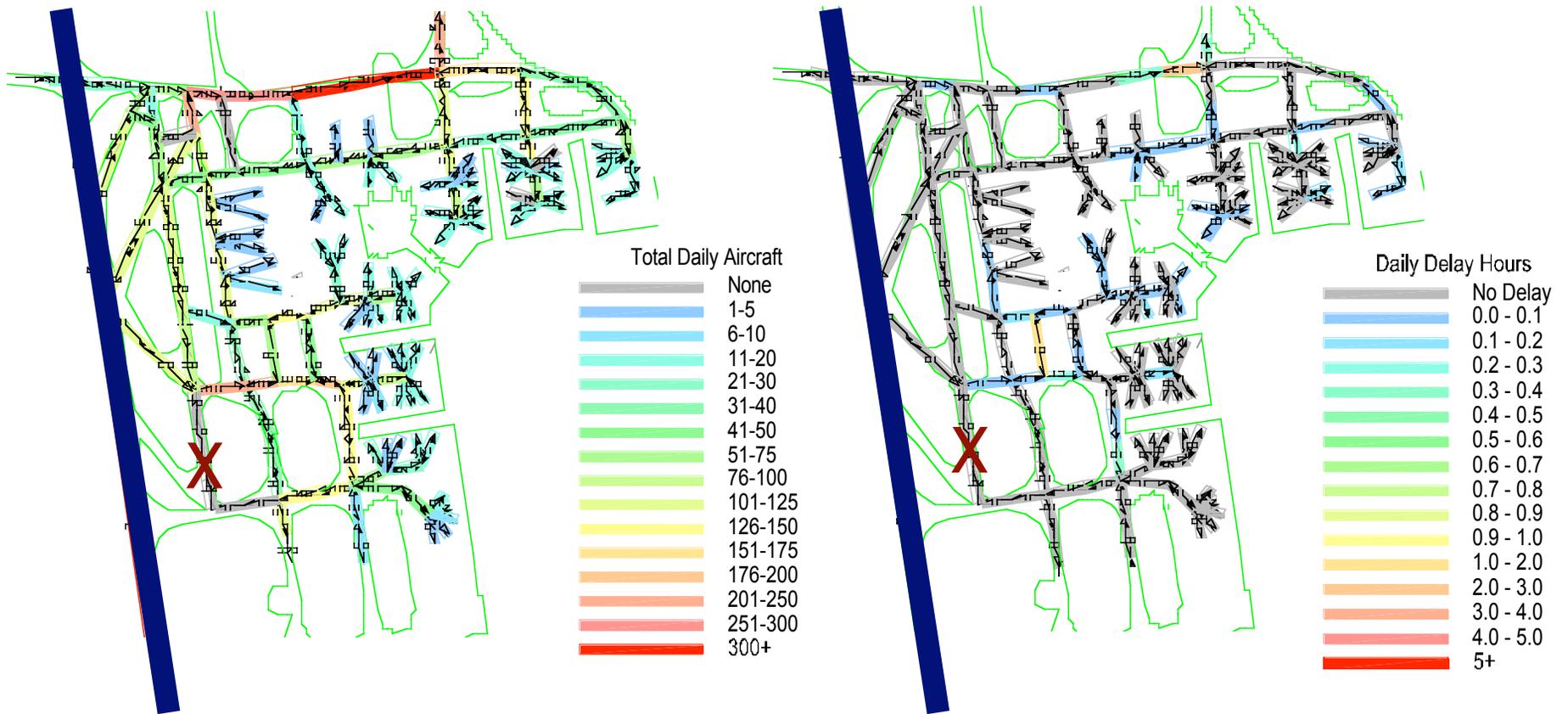
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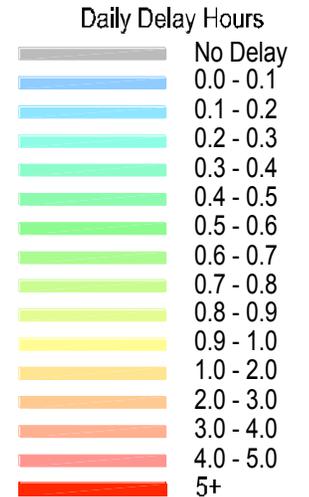
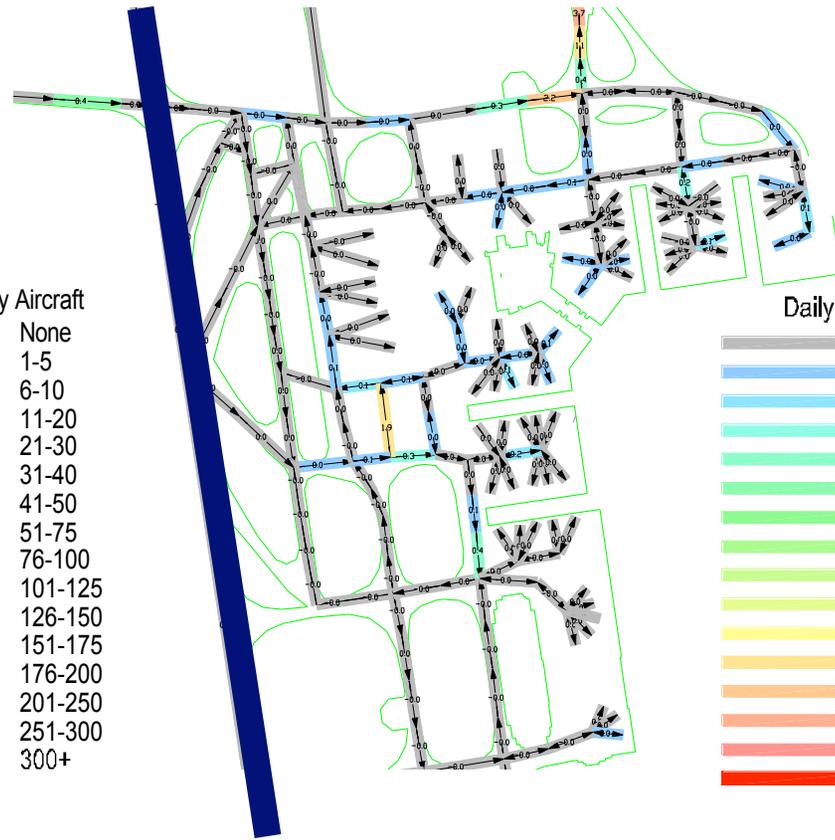
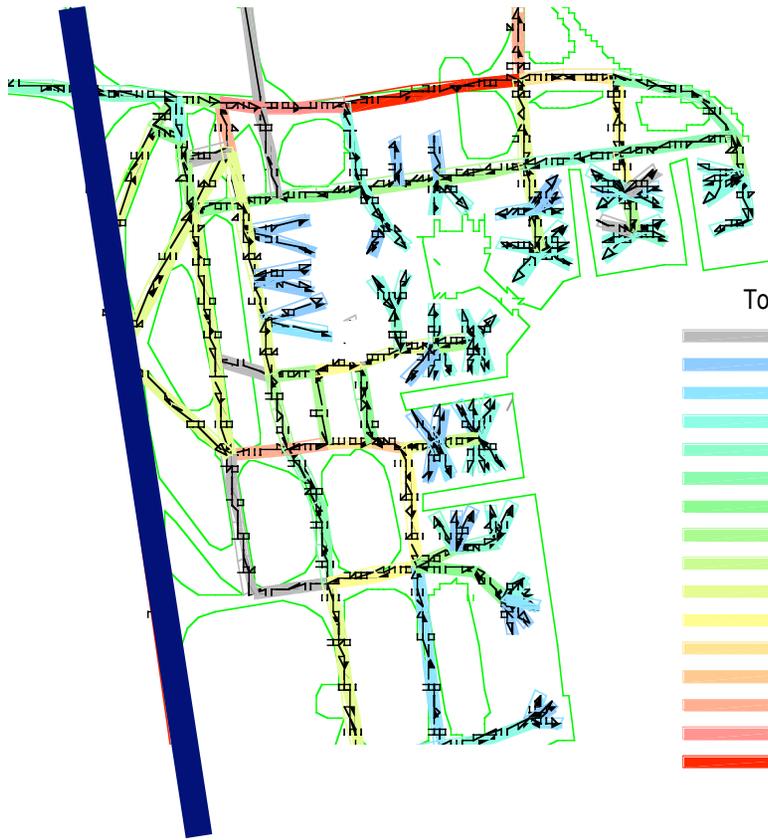
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# Travel Time Comparison

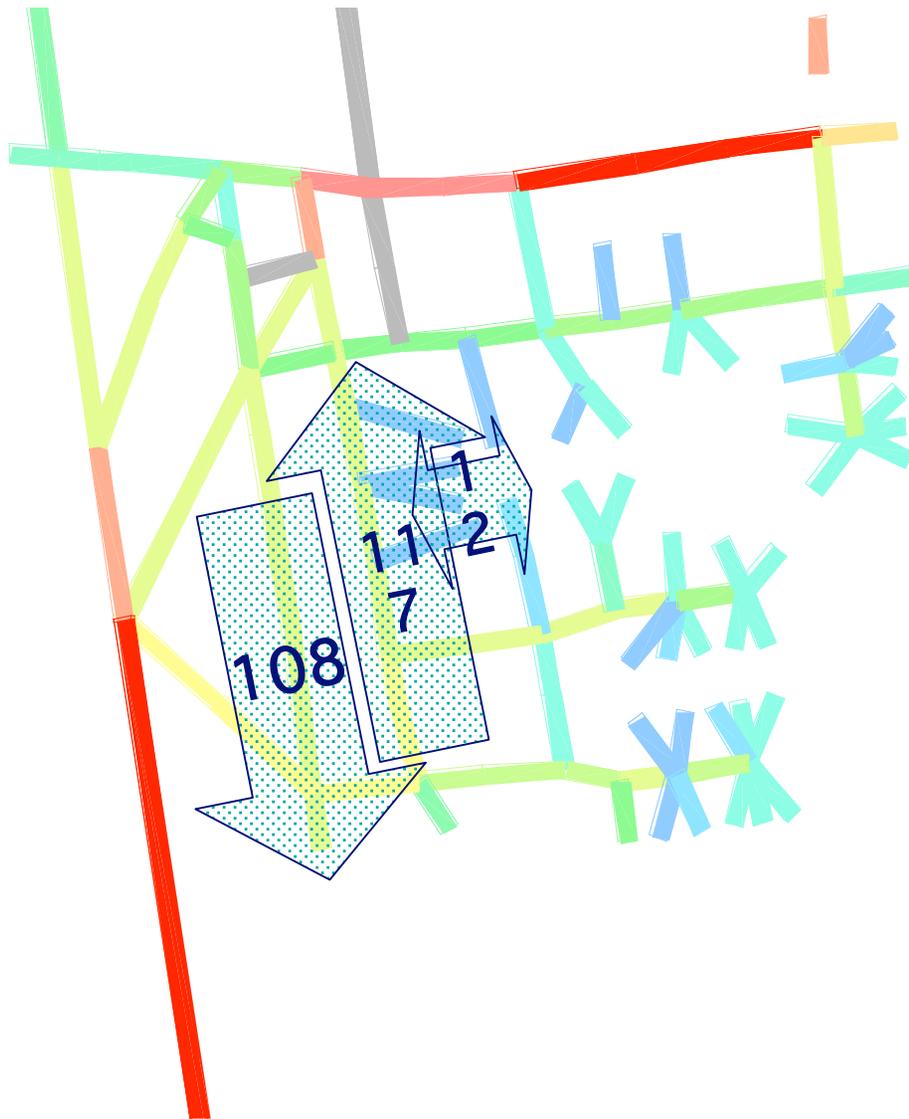
- Extending replacement Taxiway D south reduces daily travel times by 1.80 to 1.83 hours
- Concept B reduces the number of gates served by the taxi-lane between Piers D and E and thus reduces travel times
- Additional crossover taxiway reduces daily travel times by another 0.17 to 0.48 hours
- Highest delay (4.28 hours) in Concept B4A with Taxiway D extension, lowest delay (3.15 hours) in Concept A3 without Taxiway D extension

## Daily Travel Time Hours on Terminal Area Taxiways

| Taxiway Configuration                                     | Concept B4A | Concept A3 | Benefit of Concept A3 |
|---|-------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Without Taxiway D Extension                               | 46.13       | 45.21      | 0.91                  |
| With Taxiway D Extension                                  | 44.33       | 43.38      | 0.95                  |
| Benefit of Taxiway D Extension                            | 1.80        | 1.83       |                       |
| With Additional Crossover                                 | 43.85       | 43.18      | 0.66                  |
| Benefit of Additional Crossover                           | 0.48        | 0.19       |                       |
| With Additional Crossover and Without Taxiway D Extension | 45.96       | 45.03      | 0.93                  |
| Benefit of Additional Crossover                           | 0.17        | 0.18       |                       |



# Need for simultaneous two-way movements



- Traffic flow approximately equal in both directions
- Movements occur simultaneously
- Sufficient peak hour volume to require two taxiways
- The twelve movements per day from Pier D do not significantly hinder movement along apron edge taxilane
- Need two independent taxiway flows
- One taxiway can accommodate the push-backs while serving through movements

