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Lateral Runway Excursion

The right things to do to avoid it

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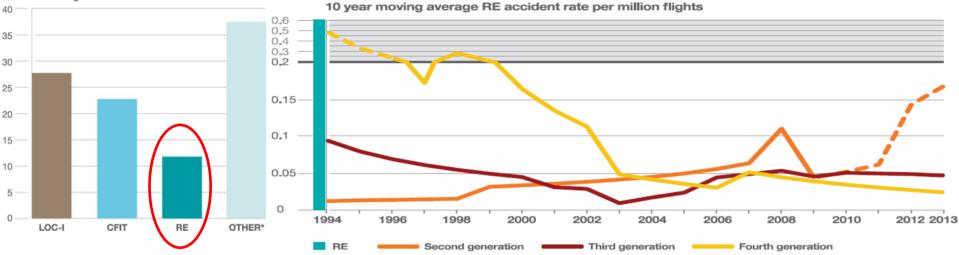


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Technology as an Efficient Safety Net

Percentage of total number of accidents since 1994





Emerging technology contribution in addressing Runway Excursion:

ROPS or equivalent energy/landing performance \checkmark based system



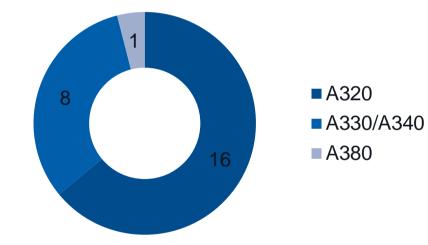


Events Analysis

- From the 01/01/2012 to the 31/12/2014:
 - 31 Airbus events reported as Lateral Runway Excursions (LRE)
 - all programs
- Among these 31 events:
 - 25 usable LRE events
 - 6 events removed for various reasons including:
 - No available data (no plots, no conclusions, no conditions)
 - LRE during U-turn at the end of the runway
 - Very narrow runway due to snow (snowdrifts)
 - RH landing gear bogie broken in two parts

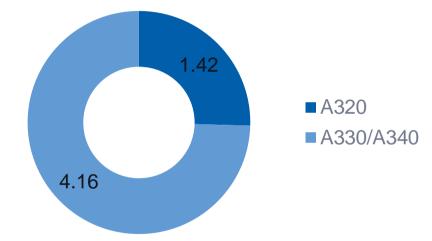


LRE – Events per Aircraft Type



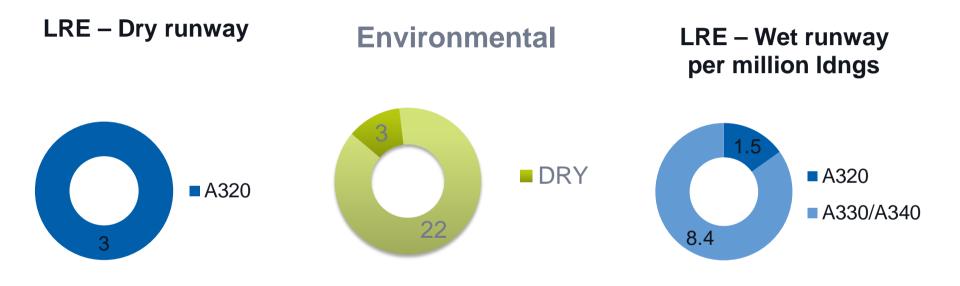


LRE – Events per Million of Landings



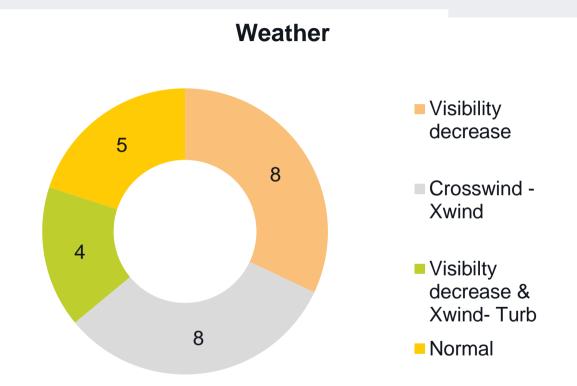


LRE – Weather Effect per Aircraft Type





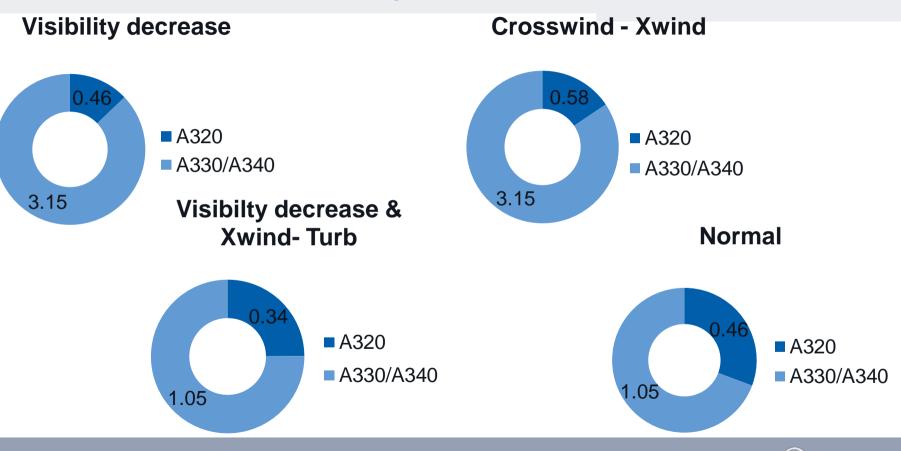
LRE – Weather Effect





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LRE – Weather Effect per Million Landings



Handling Issues

- Lack of lateral control before touch down
 - Localizer deviation away from runway centerline
- Insufficient decrab before touchdown
- Loss of situational awareness
 - Particularely below 500ft
- Poor ground control
- A combination of the above



What Is the Correct Technique?

Be correctly seated Full deflection of all flight controls and braking must be possible at all times

Be Go-Around minded

Initiate go-around close to the ground or bounced landing procedure, if needed (as long as reversers are not deployed, a go-around is always possible)

Be Stabilized

Aircraft must be on the correct lateral and vertical path at the correct configuration and speed and continuously until the flare is initiated.



What Is the Correct Technique

Be aware of the landing conditions Fly within the crosswind limits of the aircraft Be aware on the runway braking coefficient

Use proper flare and decrab techniques Flare, decrab and land in the landing zone with the correct alignment Land without delay after decrab

 « Fly » until you vacate the runway Weathercock effect Braking Respond immediately to any adverse reverser effect



Conclusion



Fly the aircraft and continuously monitor a changing environment

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