Lessons Learned in the Region

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mitigating runway excursions

lessons learnt







Safety Management Approach

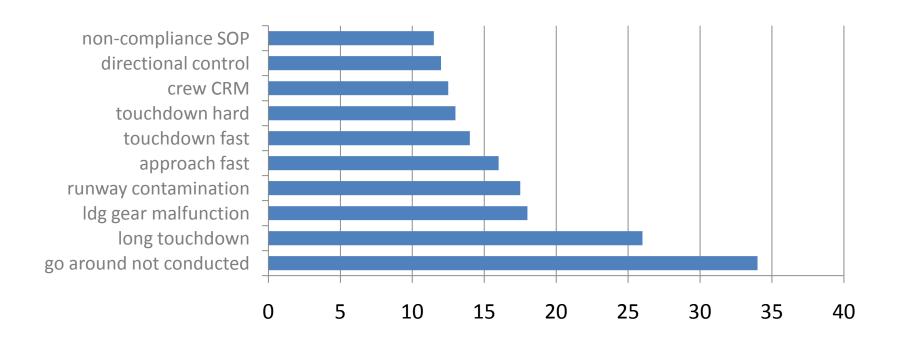
•Risk mitigation required – threat and error analysis

THREATS

ERRORS



threats and errors involved in runway excursion accidents



threats:

- •ineffective braking
- runway contamination
- •landing gear malfunctions



Some Background

Continuing an unstabilized approach is a causal factor in 40 % of all approach and landing accidents.

Source: Airbus Industries

In 75% of the off-runway touchdown, tail strike or runway excursion/overrun accidents, the major cause was an unstable approach.

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Some of the causal Factors for high energy approach

- ➤ Time pressure (both by the Crew and by ATC).
- ➤ Unfamiliar local procedures.
- ➤ Late Runway change.
- ➤ Tailwind approach

- ➤ ATC instructions which result in the Aircraft being too high or too fast.
- Crew or ATC induced changes (speed, altitude track) that result in insufficient time to plan and execute the approach.
- ➤ Unrealistic planning of the approach in the FMS resulting in incorrect descend path calculation.



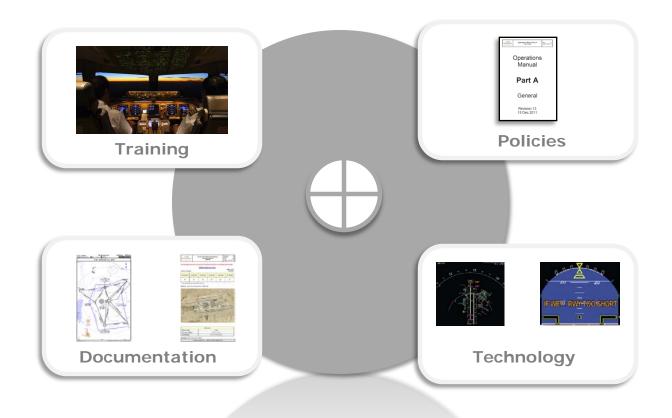
Typical Indications for unstabilized approach

- Approach flown in Idle power until touch down.
- ➤ Excessive Bank Angle during intercept of final track.
- ➤ Late extension of flaps or activation of flap load relief system.

- >High Runway Threshold crossing
- ➤ Long Flare
- ➤ Dual Input during landing (Airbus only)

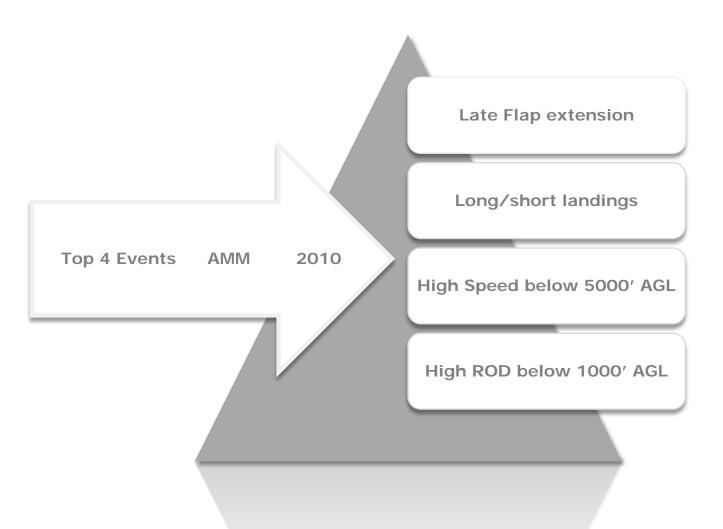


Unstable Approach Prevention Strategies



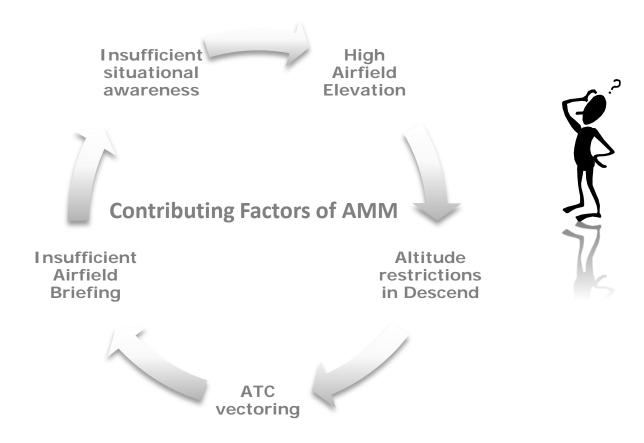


A example of effective mitigation

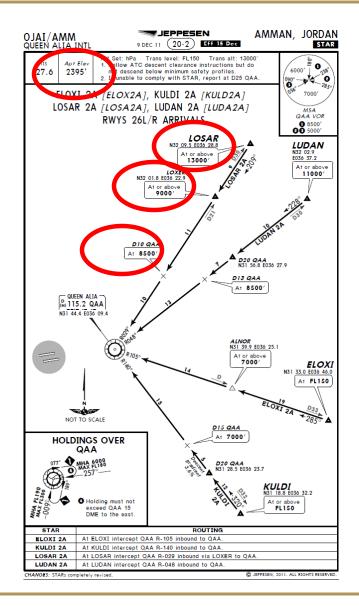


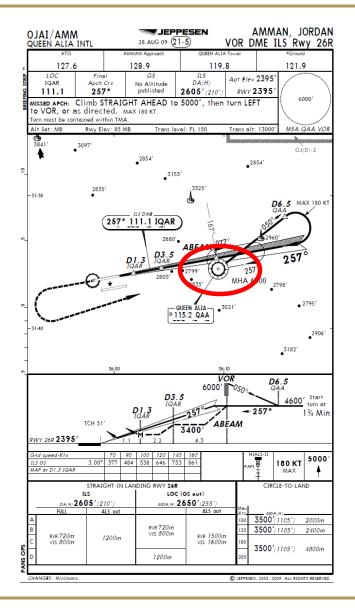


Initial Analysis



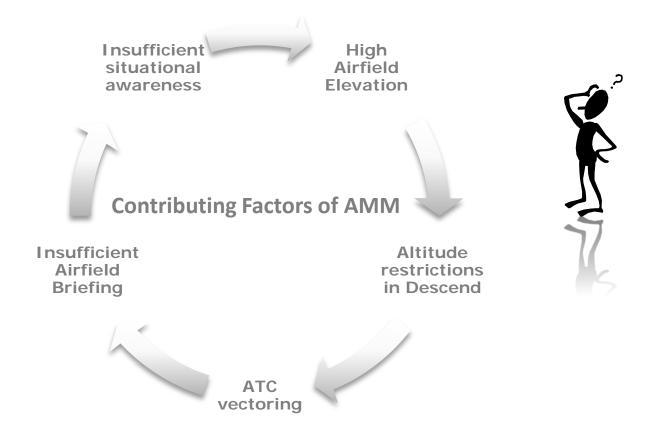








Analysis Result





Mitigation Strategy

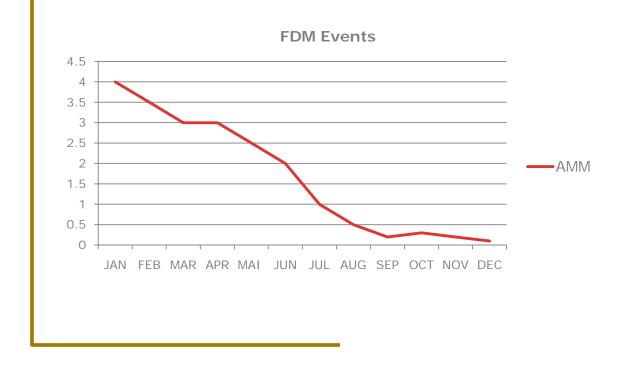




Results

Within 6 month AMM disappeared from list of Airports with a elevated number of FDM rates.











aircraft operators' lessons learnt

- ✓ clear policy
- √ rigorous training
- √ just culture

zero tolerance for unstable approaches not flown to go-around



ATC lessons learnt

- knowledge of aircraft performance
- ✓ speed control appropriate to type
- ✓ communicate track miles to landing
- know what the upper wind is doing



airport operators lessons learnt

- ✓ approach procedure design
- √ distance/approach slope guidance
- ✓ runway surface friction levels
- ✓ vertical wind profiler

THANK YOU

























