WAYS OF CHECKING AIRFIELDS AND OBSTACLES IN THE AIRFIELD AREA

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Abstract. Airfield safety and security are paramount in the aviation industry. The constant monitoring and maintenance of airfields and their surrounding areas are crucial for ensuring the smooth operation of air traffic. With the advancements in aerospace information technology, new methods and tools have emerged for checking airfields and obstacles in the airfield area. This article will explore various ways in which aerospace information technology can be utilized to enhance safety and security measures in airfields.

Key words: remote sensing technologies, airfield, hazards, geographical information systems, unmanned aerial vehicle, communication systems.

Introduction

Aerospace information technology has also paved the way for predictive maintenance in airfield infrastructure. By leveraging data analytics and machine learning algorithms, airfield operators can predict potential equipment failures and schedule maintenance proactively, reducing the risk of unexpected disruptions to air traffic operations.

1. Remote Sensing Technologies

Remote sensing technologies, such as LiDAR and aerial photography, have revolutionized the way airfields are monitored and maintained. These technologies provide high-resolution images and data that can be used to identify potential obstacles and hazards in the airfield area. LiDAR, in particular, can accurately map the terrain and detect any changes or obstructions that may pose a threat to aircraft operations.

2. Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

GIS technology has been widely adopted in the aviation industry for airfield monitoring and maintenance. GIS allows for the integration of various spatial data,

such as terrain elevation, land use, and infrastructure, to create comprehensive maps of airfield areas. These maps can be used to identify potential hazards, plan for infrastructure improvements, and assess the impact of new developments on airfield safety and security.

3. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

UAVs, or drones, have become increasingly popular for conducting aerial surveys of airfield areas. These unmanned aircraft can capture high-resolution imagery and video footage, providing valuable insights into the condition of runways, taxiways, and other critical infrastructure. UAVs can also be equipped with sensors to detect foreign object debris (FOD) on the airfield, reducing the risk of damage to aircraft.

4. Real-time Monitoring Systems

Real-time monitoring systems utilize sensors and data analytics to continuously monitor airfield conditions. These systems can detect changes in weather patterns, runway surface conditions, and wildlife activity, providing early warnings of potential safety hazards. By integrating real-time monitoring systems with aerospace information technology, airfield operators can proactively address safety and security concerns.

5. Integration of Data and Communication Systems

The integration of data and communication systems is essential for ensuring effective coordination between airfield operators, air traffic control, and other stakeholders. Aerospace information technology can facilitate the seamless exchange of critical information, such as weather updates, NOTAMs (Notice to Airmen), and runway closures, to enhance safety and security measures in airfields.

The utilization of aerospace information technology has significantly improved the ways in which airfields are checked for obstacles and monitored for safety and security. Remote sensing technologies, GIS, UAVs, real-time monitoring systems, and integrated data and communication systems have all played a crucial role in enhancing airfield safety measures. As technology continues to advance, it is imperative for the aviation industry to embrace these innovations to ensure the continued safety and security of airfields.

This proactive approach to maintenance not only enhances safety and security but also improves the overall efficiency of airfield management. Furthermore, the integration of aerospace information technology with airfield security systems has bolstered the protection of critical infrastructure from unauthorized access and potential security threats. Access control systems, surveillance cameras, and perimeter intrusion detection systems can be integrated with data analytics and realtime monitoring to enhance the security posture of airfields.

In addition to enhancing safety and security measures, aerospace information technology has also facilitated the implementation of environmental monitoring and sustainability initiatives in airfields. By leveraging data on noise levels, emissions, and wildlife habitats, airfield operators can implement measures to minimize the environmental impact of airfield operations while ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements.

The continued advancement of aerospace information technology, including the adoption of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence and blockchain, holds the potential to further revolutionize airfield safety and security measures. These technologies can enable more sophisticated risk assessment, threat detection, and incident response capabilities, further bolstering the resilience of airfield operations.

Conclusion

Aerospace information technology has become an indispensable tool for enhancing safety and security measures in airfields. By leveraging remote sensing technologies, GIS, UAVs, real-time monitoring systems, and integrated data and communication systems, airfield operators can proactively identify and mitigate safety hazards, improve operational efficiency, and ensure the continued safety and security of airfields. As technology continues to evolve, it is essential for the aviation industry to embrace these innovations to stay ahead of emerging safety and security challenges in airfield operations.

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