

# Intelligent In-Station Wayfinding to Enhance Customer Service



# **Original Concept**

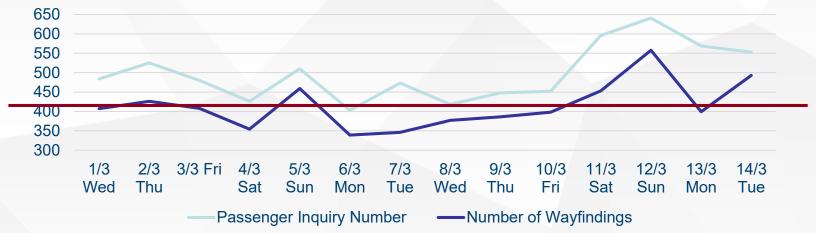
50% Inquiry 80% How to go to high speed railway station

- > 50% Staff Time → Direction Inquiries
- ➤ 400+ daily direction inquiries (~80% are route-related)
- Only ~2.9% DAU in existing mini-program; passengers mostly rely on staff



### Average number: 414

## Passengers Inquiring Survey Result at Shenzhen North Station



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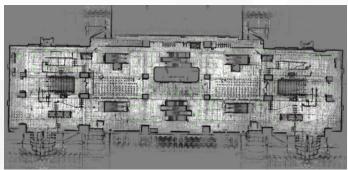
## **Objective**

Deploy an in-station AR navigation solution to improve passenger experience and reduce station workload

## **Key Ideas**

- **3D Modeling:** We create a real-time, 3D environment of the station
- No Traditional Signals: No reliance on beacons/Wi-Fi—lower cost, easier maintenance









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# **Potential Applications and Impact**

## Why Is This a Breakthrough Innovation? **Industry First**

First large-scale AR indoor navigation in China's metro

### **Revolutionary Wayfinding**

Real-time visual overlays, WeChat mini program no extra apps

#### **Proven Differentiation**

Outperforms Wi-Fi/Beacon methods (lower maintenance, higher accuracy)

### **Strategic Position**

- Aligned with MTR's Smart Mobility Strategy
- Deployed at Shenzhen North Station, recognized by local authorities
- Scalable across all lines, forming a unified AR ecosystem

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# User-Friendly Access via Kiosks & WeChat Mini Program Kiosk (Self-Service Device)

➤ 1. Search route → 2. Scan QR Code to continue on phone

## **WeChat Mini Program**

No downloads, AR features within WeChat → simple scan-and-go









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# **Potential Applications and Impact**

~200 daily inquiries handled via AR, reducing staff workload by ~50%

Improved passenger satisfaction: faster wayfinding, shorter wait times

Scalable to other lines and major transit hubs (e.g., Shenzhen Bay Checkpoint Station)



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# **IP Considerations & Technical Uniqueness**

#### **Current IP Status**

- Utility Model Patent: "Method to Improve Station Navigation Efficiency"
  application in progress
- Design Patent (exterior/interface)— application in progress

#### **Technical Differentiators**

- Proprietary AR + image recognition engine (minimizes hardware)
- Seamless WeChat Mini Program integration, unique user flow

## **Protection & Licensing Strategy**

- Consulting with legal counsel for broader coverage
- Potential licensing to other metro lines&large transit hubs
- Offering API licensing to third-party map service providers for seamless integration of our Shenzhen North Station indoor navigation service



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