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Optimized layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks: a case study of Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park

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Industrial parks play a pivotal role in driving urban economic growth in China, particularly in light of the country's extensive mountainous terrain. Effective arrangement of supporting facilities within these parks is crucial for steering industries towards high-quality development. However, the intricate topography of mountainous regions presents challenges in devising optimal layouts for these facilities. This article adopts a user-centric perspective to investigate the impact of mountainous terrain on user fatigue within industrial parks. We employ equivalent coefficient methods to establish a correlation between undulating paths in mountainous terrain and flat paths. This correlation serves as the foundation for a visual analytical tool designed to facilitate the rational placement of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks. To validate our approach, we conduct an empirical analysis of the supporting facility layout at Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park. The insights gleaned from our study provide a basis for optimizing the placement of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks, enhancing user experiences and aligning with urban growth trajectories. In conclusion, our research offers dual benefits: firstly, it provides a scientific framework for guiding the rational layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks, addressing the challenges posed by complex terrain. Secondly, it offers practical insights into the comprehensive planning and design of these parks, promoting sustainable urban and economic growth. Our research thus emerges as a valuable resource for the advancement and optimization of mountainous industrial parks in China.

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1 Introduction

The construction of emerging industrial parks has become an important development direction for the urban economy. Emerging industrial parks place a heightened emphasis on nurturing nascent sectors during their formative phase, with a pronounced focus on knowledge-intensive endeavors as the cornerstone of growth (He, 2021; Shi et al., 2021). High-tech industries' dominance within these parks, serving as the crux for product development and manufacturing, necessitates a distinct facility layout, divergent from that of conventional industrial parks (Wan et al., 2015; Chen, 2022). Effectively constructing supporting facilities within these parks fosters high-quality industry development. Therefore, the perfection of supporting facilities and the scientific layout are valuable research topics. The industrial parks' supporting facilities primarily include offices, conferences, catering, and staff dormitories. This space shoulders the mantle of advanced manufacturing and distinctive service sector evolution, compelling these occupants to meticulously scrutinize and innovate the functional composition of park spaces. This also gives rise to stringent requirements for the configuration of park support amenities (Chen et al., 2021). These parks, during their inception, demonstrate a proclivity toward fostering emerging industries, where knowledge-intensive projects assume a paramount role (He, 2021; Shi et al., 2021). Notably, the design of a logically structured support facility layout in mountainous industrial parks often draws inspiration from the "Code of Urban Residential Areas Planning & Design" (GB, 1993) in China.

The research regarding supporting facilities predominantly centers around factors influencing their configuration and modes. Concerning research methods for arranging these facilities within industrial parks, Feyzan (1997) introduced the concept of correlating amenity configurations with user characteristics and needs. DeVerteuil (2000), by scrutinizing the placement of public service facilities, identified the pivotal influence of layout on efficiency and equity, serving as a vital reference for this study. Various studies adopt indicators such as access, utilization, finances, and service quality to assess public service facility performance. These investigations underscored the significance of inclusivity and simplicity in shaping facility performance evaluations (Liu, 2009). Berliant et al. (2006) constructed models to probe the relationship between allocated public services and their spatial distribution, delving into their interconnected implications. Tsou et al. (2005) stressed the imperative for planners to achieve equitable allocation of public service facilities. Designers, employing spatial analysis, advocated evaluating service facility fairness through accessibility metrics. By defining precise service zones through geographic information systems (GIS) and space syntax, the quality and scope of public services can be markedly enhanced (Harrison, 2010).

Regarding theoretical research on arranging supporting facilities in industrial parks, various Chinese cities including Guangdong Province, Zhejiang Province, Yunnan Province, and Tianjin City have issued guidelines for industrial park planning and design, catering to construction needs. The design process for supporting facility layouts in mountainous cities often references designs for

industrial parks in flat regions while accounting for the configuration type and service radius of these facilities. Among them, the "Chongqing Province Optimization of Industrial Park Planning and Construction Management Some Policy Measures" (General Office of Chongqing Municipal People's Government, 2020) from the General Office of Chongqing Municipal People's Government has relaxed construction area controls previously applicable to supporting facilities. The previous limitations of both supporting facility and construction areas to 7% have been adjusted to a cap of 7% for the supporting facilities area and, according to regional planning, a maximum of 20% for the construction area as a proportion of the total construction space. In summary, there is a research gap regarding the methods and specifications for the planning and design of supportive infrastructure in mountainous industrial parks. Given the undulating terrain of mountainous areas, the service radius for the layout of supporting facilities in industrial parks differs from that in plain cities. As a result, directly copying the layout design method of flat cities is not suitable (Tao et al., 2017).

The undulating terrain of mountainous regions poses challenges to pedestrians. The layout of supporting facilities within mountainous industrial parks cannot be simply transposed from the implementation methods used in flat urban areas; instead, the undulating topography must be regarded as a significant influencing factor (Hayauchi et al., 2023). In this essay, we examined the transformation of equivalent distances between mountainous and flat spaces, considering the human walking experience. Additionally, we incorporated computer-generated visualization and simulation analyses to explore a rationalized layout for supporting facilities within the mountainous industrial parks. Situated within the central urban area of Chongqing, the Dadi Industrial Park stands as an exemplar of a prototypical mountainous innovative industrial park, possessing a degree of representativeness. We took the actual engineering project site of Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park as an example to conduct the mountain walking equivalent distance experiment and obtained the relationship of slope path equivalent distance coefficient of walking energy consumption in the mountainous park. Furthermore, we utilized a program to simulate and analyze the rational layout of supporting facilities within the mountain park. This step is crucial in facilitating the execution of the scientifically engineered design for Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park. This study innovates by investigating the equivalent coefficients between mountainous and plain terrains from the user's perspective and applying them to the practical layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks. Both the research itself and its practical implementation possess a distinct level of value.

2 Conversion of equivalent distance coefficient

2.1 Equivalent distance for mountain paths

The spatial proximity between the origin and destination significantly influences the utilization of supporting facilities (Dijk

and Wulp, 2010; Lira and March, 2021). It serves as a pivotal factor for evaluating the rationalization of transportation systems, land usage, and the arrangement of each supporting facility within the industrial parks (Gehl, 2002). Notably, the equivalent distance coefficient finds direct application in converting paths between mountainous and plain terrains. In studies concerning facility layout in mountainous regions, the extent of user fatigue while walking often acts as a criterion for assessing “spatial proximity” (Minetti et al., 2002). To establish a quantitative approach for determining the service radius length while considering terrain undulation, the equivalent distance function is introduced:

$$L' = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i \cdot l_i \tag{1}$$

k_i is the equivalent distance coefficient, which is defined as the ratio of the horizontal section distance to the slope of the inclined section when reaching the same degree of walking fatigue under the influence of mountainous areas, expressed as follows:

$$k_i = \frac{l_i}{\hat{l}_i} \tag{2}$$

k_i represents the equivalent distance coefficient. l_i represents the distance of the horizontal section when the same degree of walking fatigue is reached. \hat{l}_i is the horizontal distance of the inclined section when the same degree of walking fatigue is reached.

2.2 Equivalent distance coefficient based on oxygen consumption

As defined above, in order to further derive the equivalent distance coefficient, the concept of oxygen consumption is introduced. Oxygen consumption often serves as a measure to assess fatigue levels (American College of Sports Medicine, 2006). Thus, in an optimal scenario, oxygen consumption becomes a tool for evaluating “spatial proximity”, in other words, the strategic arrangement of supporting facilities. Noteworthy scholars such as Minetti and Steffen have proposed a relationship between road sections and energy consumption during comfortable walking speeds, particularly when the slope ranges from -45% to 45% (Sitte, 1990; Minetti et al., 2002; Held et al., 2023):

$$v'_0 = V_{0'} = \begin{cases} 0.08 + 1.58 \times G, & 0 \leq i \leq 0.45 \\ 0.08 + 0.4 \times G, & -0.1 \leq i < 0 \\ 0.007 - 0.4 \times G, & -0.45 \leq i < -0.1 \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

v'_0 represents the oxygen consumption per unit weight distance L/(kg.m), and G represents the slope.

The relationship about the equivalent coefficient can be deduced from Formula 1, with the oxygen consumption per unit weight distance on the horizontal section $v'_0(0) = 0.08$ L/(kg.m). The calculation of the absolute value of the slope can be deduced from the calculation formula for k_{iv} , as follows:

$$k_{iv} = \begin{cases} 1 + 7.38 \times |G|, & 0 < |G| \leq 0.1 \\ 0.55 + 12.34 \times |G|, & 0.1 \leq |G| < 0.45 \end{cases} \tag{4}$$

k_{iv} represents the equivalent distance coefficient based on oxygen consumption; G represents the road slope. The quantitative research formula based on the energy consumption relationship is more complex, and the calculation results under ideal conditions. Therefore, it is impossible to study the layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks only based on the fatigue of oxygen consumption (Dijk and Wulp, 2010).

3 Visualization program for supporting facilities

3.1 Rational layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks

In industrial parks situated on flat terrains, the service radius of supporting facilities is typically determined by multiplying the upper limit of suitable walking distance by the detour coefficient, PDR (Stangl, 2012). Environmental issues often find resolution through experimental methodologies (Clobert et al., 2018). The detour coefficient pertains to the ratio between the actual distance and the straight-line distance due to the twists and turns in the path caused by the park’s ground texture.

The formula is as follows:

$$r = \frac{l}{PDR} \tag{5}$$

r represents the service radius taken, l represents the limiting walking distance, and PDR represents the detour coefficient.

A simple circular area is insufficient for accurately representing the appropriate service range of supporting facilities within mountainous parks (Tao et al., 2017). Due to the diverse slopes in different directions leading to varying effects on walking fatigue, we aimed to systematically develop a quantitative approach for strategically placing supporting facilities in mountainous terrain. In this regard, we presented a visual analysis method of the rational arrangement of these supporting facilities within mountainous industrial parks. The process of analysis is depicted in Figure 1.

The walking path of the mountainous industrial parks is also influenced by the detour coefficient; with reference to Formula 6, the appropriate one-way horizontal walking distance threshold is as follows:

$$S = \frac{l}{PDR} \tag{6}$$

S represents the appropriate one-way horizontal walking distance threshold.

Assuming the planar location B of the supporting facilities, we drew the radial line R_m with B as the center of the circle in the plane to a certain angle, and each segment was named D_1 to D_n .

We projected the starting and ending points of D_n onto the terrain surface and connected the two projection points to obtain the line segment \hat{D}'_n and the height difference ΔH_{-n} between the two points. We can obtain the slope in the vertical direction \hat{D}'_n , which is the average slope of the section:



FIGURE 1
Layout of supporting facilities in the mountainous industrial parks.

$$G_n = \frac{\Delta H_n}{l_n} \quad (7)$$

G_n represents the slope of the road section D'_n , and ΔH_n represents the absolute value of the height difference between the two ends of D_n .

Taking G_n into Formula 8, the equivalent distance coefficients of road sections D_n can be obtained, and thus the equivalent walking distance of each road section in the radial direction

$$l'_n = l_0 \times (38.37G_n^2 + 6.29G_n + 1.08), \quad (8)$$

where l'_n stands for the road section D_n equivalent walking distance.

By accumulating l'_n , the equivalent walking distance L'_m can be obtained in the direction of radial R_m starting from point B.

$$L'_m = \sum_{i=1}^n l'_i \quad (9)$$

The horizontal distance is represented on the X-axis, and the equivalent walking distance is indicated on the Y-axis. We establish the optimal walking distance threshold as S . When Y equals S , the corresponding horizontal distance aligns with the furthest point P_m , which is considered feasible for walking within this radial distribution. By connecting the acquired P_m points from each radiation direction, we can define a suitable service range originating from point B. Figure 1 illustrates the strategic arrangement of supporting facilities within the mountainous industrial park.

3.2 Visualizing the layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks

In mountainous regions, the presence of large and extended steep slopes and steps complicates the design of supporting facility layouts in parks (Jin et al., 2013). Pedestrian bridges and underpasses in these areas can span several times the walking distance of flat pathways (Zhai and Zhou, 2019). By examining the equivalent distance of ascents and descents along mountainous roads, we have developed a visualization program utilizing the programming languages Rhino and Grasshopper to logically

arrange supporting facilities within the mountainous park. This enables the practical application of our research findings to the layout design of these park facilities. Rhino 7.0 is capable of creating and editing terrain surfaces, while Grasshopper 1.0.0007 facilitates modular visual programming.

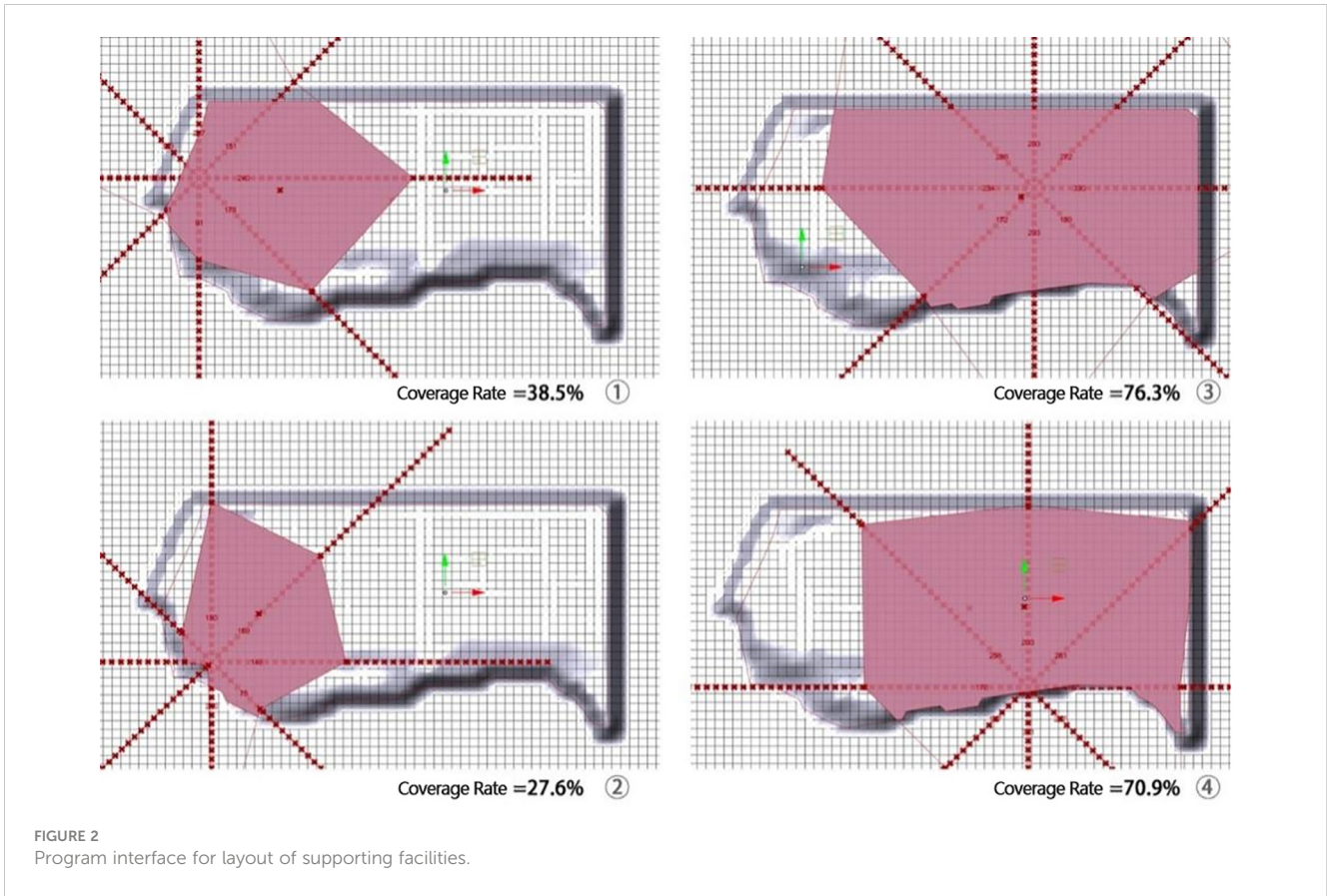
The rational layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks, viewed from a user's perspective, necessitates consideration of factors such as functionality, service objects, usage frequency, and spatial proximity (Ye et al., 2020; Han et al., 2021). In accordance with the "Urban Residential Area Planning and Design Standards", amenities such as retail, dining, and leisure facilities should be placed within the 5-minute life circle's service radius. Here, L_0 signifies the distance achievable in a 5-minute walk, depicting the actual path distance between two points without accounting for path slope (Ren et al., 2020), while the service radius assumes the straight-line distance between points, denoted as R_0 when the path slope is omitted. A visualization analysis of the mountainous park site was undertaken to regulate the theoretical PRD values within the range of 1.1 to 1.5 (Shen et al., 2020).

The program interface is categorized into three sections: input, calculation, and output. The interface of the visual analysis program for the rational facility layout is depicted in Figure 2. Within the input section, adjustments can be made to the terrain surface, the planar positions of the supporting facilities can be assumed, and the range radius, standard service radius, and ray segmentation modulus can be measured. Meanwhile, the output section allows for color adjustments of the reasonable service range surface area, along with displaying the area and coverage of the range. The calculation segment comprises standard analysis units, with each unit corresponding to a radiation line.

4 Case study

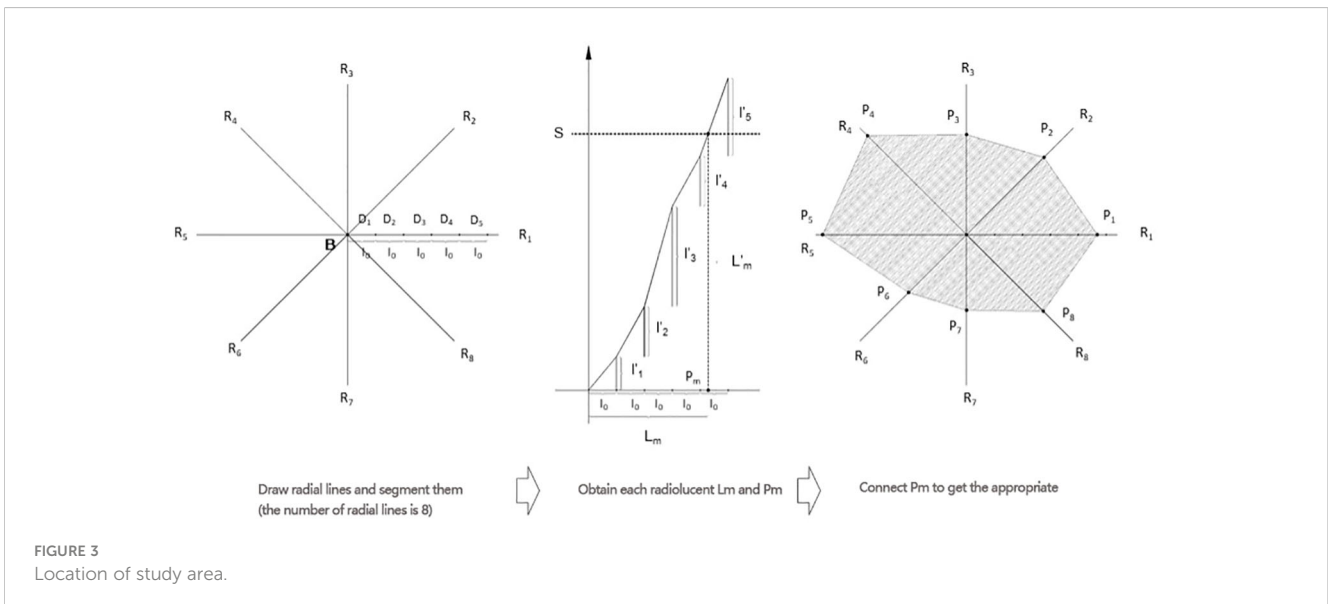
4.1 Research area

Chongqing, situated in southwestern China (see Figure 3), boasts an urbanization rate of 65.5%, rendering it a renowned mountainous city within the country. Its terrain is predominantly hilly and



mountainous, constituting 76% of the total land area. Significantly, Chongqing holds a pivotal role in the Western Development strategy and serves as a crucial nexus between the “Belt and Road” initiative and the Yangtze River Economic Belt. The region’s ecology, as noted by [Su et al. \(2022\)](#), is intricate. Liangjiang New Area, encompassing 1,200 km², falls under the jurisdiction of Chongqing City as a sub-provincial and national-level development zone. Notably, it stands as China’s first national-level new area in the inland region. Dadi Industrial Park, an

integral component of this area, is situated within the Shuitu Cluster of Chongqing Liangjiang New Area. Dadi Industrial Park is an integral component of the Chongqing Liangjiang New Area’s science and technology innovation base, a key project initiated by the Ministry of Science and Technology. As a prominent biopharmaceutical-focused industrial park in Chongqing, it has successfully attracted investments from over 150 enterprises. It serves as a mountainous, medium-sized biomedical enterprise, with an expansive plot spanning 102,474 m².



This industrial park finds itself proximate to the city’s main thoroughfare to the west, urban bypasses and residential communities to the north, and additional industrial land and urban bypasses to the east. The concave flood discharge canal defines its southern border, while a city park stands opposite the flood drainage canal in the southwest. Following topographical adjustments, the park is partitioned into three distinct platforms: one on the west, another on the south, and a central platform. Notably, the west and south platforms lie in close proximity to the primary city road and the flood discharge channel, respectively. These areas exhibit an elevation of approximately 4.5 m lower than that of the central platform. The site layout can be visualized in [Figure 3](#).

4.2 Determining equivalent distance coefficient through mountain walking experiment

We conducted walking experiments across diverse slope sections to quantify walkers’ perceived fatigue and derived the equivalency distance coefficient formula through data analysis. The experiment involved 10 adults, with an equal gender distribution (five men and five women), aged between 25 and 65 years. All participants were in good health without any medical history and represented the primary users of the industrial park. Five sections with different slopes were selected: Section A (0.5%), Path B (4.6%), Path C (8.3%), Path D (15.2%), and Path E (24.8%). We chose a suitable weather and time period and asked walkers to walk to and fro at their normal speed and manner. Heart rate measurements and the Brog Scale were used as auxiliary judgments to enhance the accuracy of walkers’ perception of their walking fatigue.

4.2.1 Experimental data

The experiment comprised two parts. In Experiment 1, participants were tasked with walking for 5 minutes in each

section, during which we measured the walking distance, pre- and post-heart rate, and the Borg Scale. These data allowed us to analyze the impact of slope on speed and physiological indicators. For Experiment 2, participants first rated their fatigue level as P0 after a 5-minute walk in Section A. Subsequently, they proceeded to walk in Sections B, C, D, and E, notifying the experimenter upon reaching the P0 level again. We then recorded the walking time, distance, and physiological indicators for this phase.

The data of walking Experiment 1 data are shown in [Table 1](#).

The experimental data reveal a notable decline in walking speed from 1.34 m/s to 0.57 m/s with increasing slope, underscoring the pronounced influence of slope on walking pace. Moreover, the standard deviation rose from 0.11 m/s to 0.18 m/s, reflecting a substantial shift in magnitude while retaining a comparable absolute value. This suggests an amplified distinction in individual walking speeds as slope inclination rises. The substantial divergences in both heart rate variation and respiratory index before and after the experiment, distinctly underscoring the profound impact of slope on walking fatigue, coupled with considerable variability across individuals.

The data from walking Experiment 2 are presented in [Table 2](#).

4.2.2 Equation derivation from walking experiments

The experimental results reveal a consistent pattern: when walkers subjectively sense they have attained fatigue level P0 in each section, both heart rate change data and the Borg Scale exhibit uniformity. This convergence supports the accuracy of their perceived walking fatigue. Analyzing the data, we observed a non-linear relationship between the time taken to reach the same fatigue level and the slope of the path. As the slope increases, the time required to reach equivalent fatigue markedly decreases, with a subsequent deceleration in the rate of shortening as the slope further steepens. The mean times recorded were 219 s, 160 s, 134

TABLE 1 Walking experiment 1 data.

No.	Section A			Section B			Section C			Section D			Section E		
	Speed (m/s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Speed (m/s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Speed (m/s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Speed (m/s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Speed (m/s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale
1	1.47	75/92	1	1.34	83/107	2	1.03	81/112	2	0.91	82/113	3	0.62	83/118	4
2	1.43	75/78	1	1.33	76/90	2	1.20	76/95	2	1.05	75/93	3	0.70	75/79	4
3	1.23	72/70	1	1.21	71/65	2	1.20	72/74	2	0.77	73/78	2	0.46	72/83	1
4	1.40	72/78	1	1.24	72/76	1	1.05	72/85	2	0.89	74/85	2	0.60	72/83	2
5	1.53	76/94	1	1.27	75/87	2	1.26	73/86	3	1.20	75/97	3	1.00	77/107	4
6	1.30	80/90	1	1.31	82/92	1	1.07	81/95	2	0.75	81/97	3	0.50	80/102	3
7	1.23	68/80	1	1.10	70/84	1	1.03	68/83	2	0.69	70/88	3	0.46	69/99	3
8	1.26	76/84	1	1.13	77/89	2	0.87	70/85	2	0.82	71/87	2	0.40	75/88	3
9	1.20	72/83	1	1.17	71/92	1	1.13	76/101	3	0.77	73/99	3	0.46	76/103	3
10	1.33	69/71	1	1.40	71/80	1	1.20	70/88	3	1.00	71/90	3	0.53	73/90	3
Av.	1.34			1.25			1.10			0.89			0.57		

TABLE 2 Walking experiment 2 data.

Serial no.	Section B			Section C			Section D			Section E		
	Time (s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Time (s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Time (s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale	Time (s)	Heart rate (pre/post)	Brog Scale
1	190	78/85	1	93	77/83	1	97	78/88	1	90	78/92	1
2	185	75/77	1	150	76/81	1	120	76/83	1	64	75/86	1
3	214	72/65	1	146	72/74	2	140	72/78	1	132	72/75	1
4	280	72/75	1	186	71/78	1	163	72/80	1	122	71/81	2
5	245	77/92	1	166	78/94	1	145	79/92	1	116	79/88	1
6	243	80/92	1	154	80/92	2	145	80/93	2	144	81/94	2
7	208	69/86	1	132	70/87	1	130	73/90	1	122	72/90	1
8	190	76/86	1	165	76/86	1	115	76/88	1	105	75/88	2
9	214	72/88	1	151	72/92	2	140	73/94	2	111	74/98	2
10	234	70/78	1	168	71/79	1	143	70/81	2	125	72/80	2
Av.	220			151			134			113		

s, and 113 s, with a standard deviation of 30 s. Correspondingly, standard deviations amounted to 30 s, 25 s, 19 s, and 23 s, demonstrating a tendency to gradually decrease with slope, except between 15% and 20% where changes remained consistent.

Drawing from the outcomes of the walking experiment, we can establish an expression for equivalent walking distance for each inclined section, enabling a comparison to a horizontal section under identical 5-minute walking fatigue:

$$l_G = V_G T_G \tag{10}$$

l_G stands for the horizontal distance of 5-minute equivalent to walking fatigue of the road section with slope G relative to the horizontal road section. V_G stands for the walking speed under the road section with slope G , and T_G stands for the walking time of 5-minute equivalent walking fatigue under the road section with slope G relative to the horizontal road section.

It is obtained that G' is 1.34 for a slope of 4.6%, 1.61 for a slope of 8.30%, 2.43 for a slope of 15.20%, and 3.61 for a slope of 24.80%.

The equivalence distance coefficient based on walking experiments can be obtained by fitting the data to the equation:

$$k_{ie} = 38.37|G|^2 + 6.29|G| + 1.08 \tag{11}$$

In the formula, the $|G|$ slope's absolute value varies from -25% to 25%.

4.2.3 Walking experiment and equivalence coefficients for oxygen consumption

In Figure 4, we present a comparative curve analysis based on oxygen consumption and the Slope Equivalence Factor. The curves of K_{ie} and K_{iv} are compared, revealing distinct trends. Notably, for slopes less than 5%, their disparities are minimal. However, these differences progressively amplify as the slope increases. For instance, at a 15%

slope, K_{iv} registers at 2.43, while K_{ie} stands at 2.73. This disparity continues to widen at a 25% slope, with K_{iv} at 3.81 and K_{ie} at 5.05.

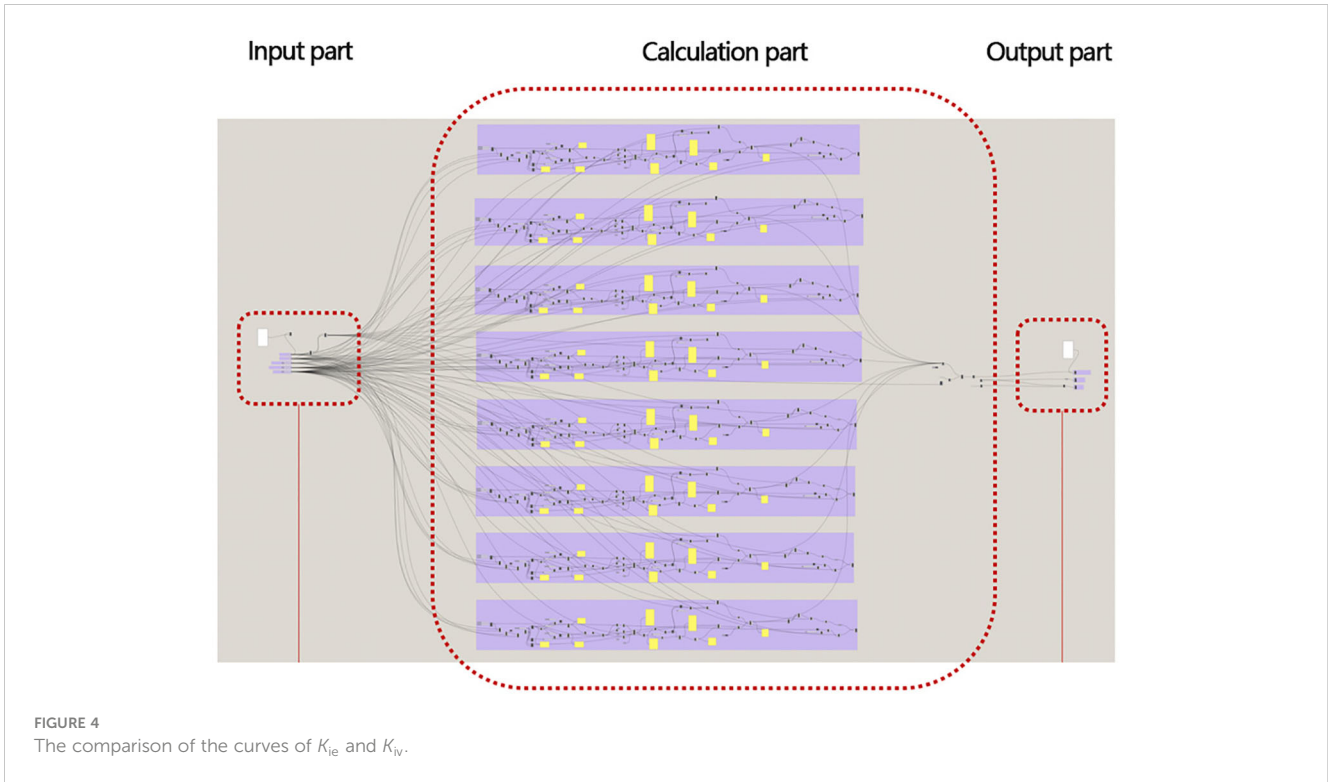
The data extracted from the walking experiment encapsulate the combined influence of numerous factors, encompassing the physiological and psychological effects of various environmental elements on walking fatigue. Due to its simpler outcomes, K_{ie} is adopted as the suitable equivalent distance coefficient formula for the focal point of this research study.

4.3 Utilization of Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park

In accordance with pertinent regulations, the Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park parcel allows for ancillary structures covering up to 7% of the area. These structures encompass office, recreational, and dining facilities. The layout of these supporting facilities is depicted in Figure 5, illustrating their designated positions within the park. During program deliberations, four potential locations for these supporting facilities were established, considering the urban context. Position 1 situates itself at the primary entrance square on the western terrace. Position 2 is found on the southwest terrace fortress, approximately 10 m lower in elevation compared to the western terrace, overlooking the municipal garden landscape to the south. Position 3 is centered within the park's horizontal and vertical axes, positioned at the square within the central terrace. Finally, Position 4 is situated at the midpoint of the southern terrace, representing the park's southernmost terrace. For clarity, the location of these supporting facilities is depicted in Figure 5.

4.3.1 Rationalized layout of supporting facilities

The Dadi Industrial Park's layout is analyzed utilizing a rational program for supporting facilities within the mountainous industrial

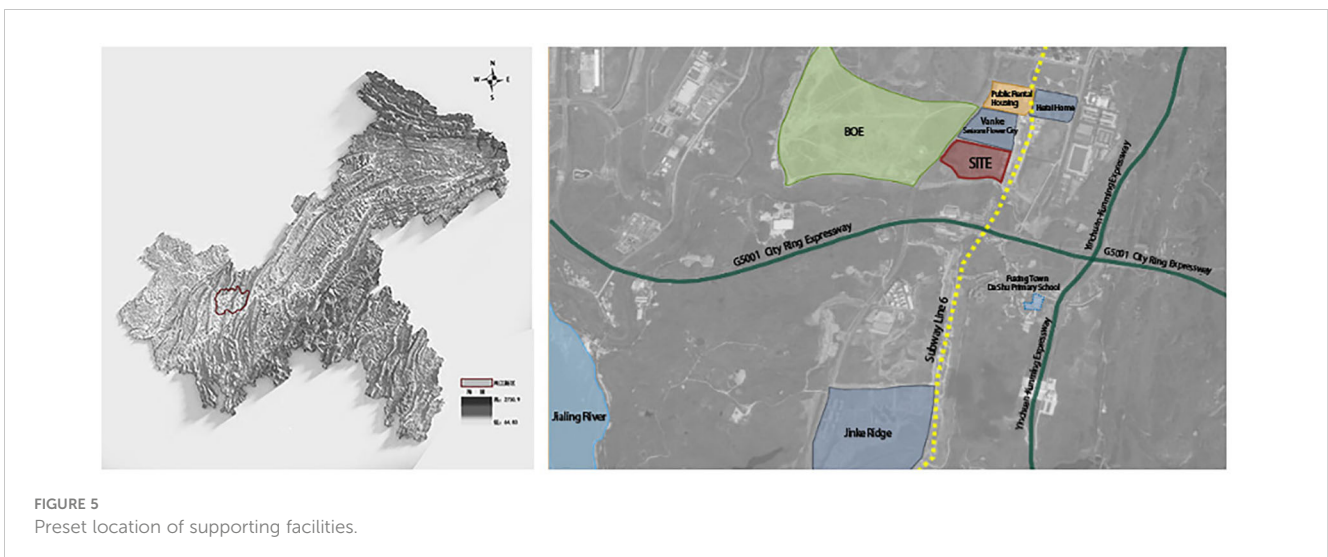


park. The analysis program incorporates fundamental data like terrain surface and land redlines. The measurement range radius is input to ensure coverage of the land red line area. With the park's basic road network, PRD is set at 1.3, and the segmentation modulus is 10 m. The results of the supporting facilities layout study in the mountainous industrial park are illustrated in Figure 6, displaying candidate locations for each service facility within the model.

Position 1, Position 2, Position 3, and Position 4 represent four sets of graphical data depicting the rational layout visualization of the mountainous industrial park's supporting facilities. Position 1's layout includes the western terrace and a smaller area of the central terrace. At Position 2, the service area comprises only 27.6% of the

park, covering the southern side of the western terrace and a smaller section of the western side of the central terrace. This area is narrower compared to Position 1. Position 3's layout covers a service area of 76.3%, encompassing most of the central and southern terraces. The supporting facilities' service radiation range is greater. Finally, at Position 4, the service area covers 70.9%, including the central and middle parts of the southern terrace, with a smaller service radiation range than Position 3.

A comprehensive analysis of park traffic, landscape, and internal functional zoning indicates that the optimal arrangement for supporting facilities is at Position 1 and Position 3. Position 1 hosts office meetings, leisure activities, catering, and other facilities close to the city's main road. This layout forms an independent zone



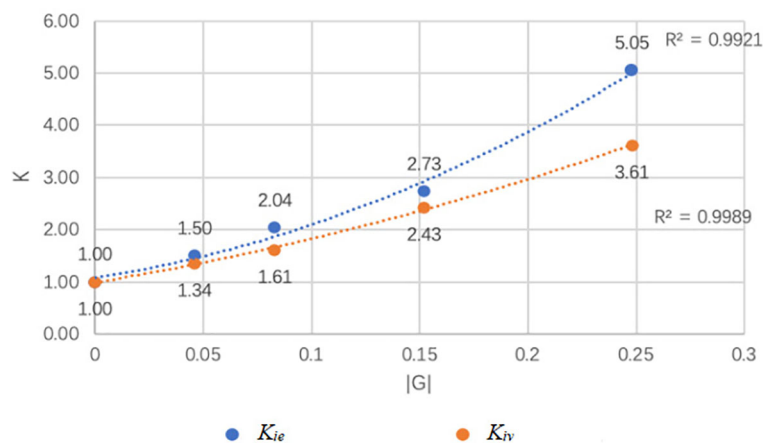


FIGURE 6
Planning and supporting service layout of Dadi Industrial Park.

while catering to the surrounding urban area. At Position 3, small-scale leisure catering is arranged primarily for park enterprises, creating a scientifically designed layout for supporting services within the park.

4.3.2 Layout of the supporting facilities

Utilizing software for rational supporting facility layout in the mountainous industrial parks, Dadi Industrial Park is structured with a “green axis running through, ring road around; multiple distributions, industry-city harmony” layout. Figure 6 illustrates the planning and supporting service arrangement in Locations 1 and 3. The site was analyzed and divided into three terraces on the west, south, and central sides to manage varying heights. The western and southern terraces each encompass approximately 10% of the total area, while the central terrace dominates with approximately 80%.

A central east–west green axis connects the park’s core to the main urban road, featuring three square nodes. This design, combined with the rationalized layout procedure for mountainous industrial parks supporting facilities, fosters a convenient traffic system. The main vehicular ring road and orthogonal grid road establish an accessible circulation network. The west terrace aligns with the city’s main road and rests approximately 5 m lower than the central terrace. Key supporting facilities, including office spaces, conference areas, and dining facilities, are strategically positioned along the city interface. For the south terrace, a layered approach accommodates productive spaces. The central terrace features a small-scale supporting facility hub to address coverage limitations on the west side. This comprehensive design cultivates harmonious integration with the city surroundings and promotes collaborative growth between production and support zones within the park.

5 Conclusions

This paper examines the rational layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks, focusing on the user’s viewpoint. The study delves into the undulation of mountainous roads and

user fatigue, subsequently introducing an equivalent distance formula for mountainous road undulation. A visualization program is developed using software to facilitate the rationalized layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks. The research findings are implemented in the Chongqing Dadi Industrial Park supporting facilities layout and overall park planning, yielding an optimal arrangement determined by site conditions.

These research outcomes enhance the scientific and practical aspects of supporting facility layout in mountainous industrial parks. Moreover, it promotes harmonious development between production and supporting zones within the park, and seamless integration between the park and its surrounding cities. The user-centric exploration of the rational supporting facility layout in mountainous industrial parks provides both scientific guidance and pragmatic significance for facility layout and park planning in such contexts. This research holds scientific validity and practical applicability. Its findings can be extended and applied not only to the layout of supporting facilities in mountainous industrial parks but also to the spatial arrangement of other types of mountainous urban areas. It bears the potential to positively contribute to enhancing land utilization efficiency in mountainous regions, offering valuable insights for related research in these areas.

Data availability statement

The original contributions presented in the study are included in the article/supplementary materials, further inquiries can be directed to the corresponding author/s.

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