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## 334 1.1 Purpose and Scope

335 This document sets forth the characteristics of an advanced Flight Management  
336 Computer System (FMS) specifically designed for installation in new generation  
337 aircraft. The system is also intended for retrofit in aircraft that presently use ARINC  
338 700 series equipment. The advanced FMS is expected to provide expanded  
339 functional capability beyond that defined in ARINC Characteristic 702, and support  
340 the necessary requirements for operation in the future Communication, Navigation,  
341 and Surveillance/Air Traffic Management (CNS/ATM) operational environment. [As](#)  
342 [described in ARINC Report 660B](#), ~~†~~this includes extensive use of Global Navigation  
343 Satellite System (GNSS), Required Navigation Performance (RNP) based  
344 navigation, air to ground data link for communications and surveillance, and the  
345 associated crew interface control/display capabilities. The functional requirements  
346 defined herein also apply to a Flight Management Function (FMF) in an integrated  
347 modular avionics (IMA) architecture with software partitions.

348 The ICAO Future Air Navigation System (FANS) Standards and Recommended  
349 Practices (SARPs) for CNS/ATM are currently evolving and are expected to  
350 continue to evolve. The requirements included in this document [are intended to](#)  
351 [support performance based navigation \(PBN\) and trajectory-based operations](#)  
352 [\(TBO\) and be consistent with:](#)

353 [ICAO Doc 9613: Performance-Based Navigation Manual \(PBN Manual\);](#)

354 [RTCA DO-236\(\): Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards: Required](#)  
355 [Navigation Performance for Area Navigation \(RNP MASP\), and](#)

356 [RTCA DO-283\(\): Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Required](#)  
357 [Navigation Performance for Area Navigation \(RNP MOPS\).](#)

358 [and support performance based navigation \(PBN\) and trajectory-based operations](#)  
359 [\(TBO\) represent a best guess at the CNS/ATM related functions to be supported by](#)  
360 [the advanced FMS.](#)

361 This document does not characterize the requirements for a Control Display Unit  
362 (CDU). While the CDU is included in the original version of ARINC Characteristic  
363 702, the capabilities of the Multi-Purpose Control Display Unit (MCDU) are  
364 separately defined in ARINC Characteristic 739.

365 This document defines the functional and interface characteristics of the FMS and  
366 assumes that the appropriate MCDU characteristics are defined separately in  
367 ARINC Characteristic 739A or elsewhere.

368 [ARINC originated with the airlines and the ARINC documents were created as](#)  
369 [airline requirements for system implementers. Therefore, the use of the word](#)  
370 ["should" in this document carries with it the expectation of incorporation. This is](#)  
371 [especially true in the context of fit, form, interface requirements, and crew indication](#)  
372 [requirements. In allowing for the various architectures described in this document it](#)  
373 [is still expected that the functions will operate, at a system level, as described in this](#)  
374 [document.](#)

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End users should be aware that there can be possible differences in hardware and/or tailored implementation of certain functions from ARINC 702A standard so that the FMC may meet fit, form, and intended functional requirements for the particular airframe. Differences may be due to the various airplane architectures, system limitations, and/or specific end user needs which take precedence over complete compliance with ARINC 702A.

### 1.2 Relationship to Other Documents

This document is one of a family of ARINC Characteristics for advanced navigation equipment that includes:

- ARINC Characteristic 756: GNSS Navigation and Landing Unit
- ARINC Characteristic 760: GNSS Navigation Unit

The functional characteristics of these three systems are very similar, and consequently, significant portions of these three equipment characteristics are highly common. Users of these documents should consider this commonality issue when planning future revisions.

The vast majority of military and government specifications for equipment design and construction usually employ specification language; that is, terms such as thou shalt and thou shalt not. However, that type of language makes it difficult to describe preferences which have grown out of airline experience which designers might weigh differently. For this reason, this characteristic, like other AEEC documents, represents guidance material which attempts to acquaint the manufacturer with the need for specific design practices rather than to tell them that they must meet certain requirements under all circumstances.

[A complete list of documents referenced herein can be found in Appendix A.](#)

### 1.3 Functional Overview

The FMS provides the following functions: navigation, flight planning, lateral and vertical guidance, performance optimization and prediction, air ground data link, and pilot interfaces via the Electronic Flight Information System (EFIS) and MCDU displays or, in newer architectures, a graphical Cockpit Display System (CDS). The following paragraphs provide a summary description of these characteristics, with references to their functional descriptions in later sections of this characteristic.

Navigation (Section 4.3.1) - The navigation function determines the position and velocity of the aircraft using input data from all appropriate sources. The outputs include position in terms of altitude, latitude and longitude, and velocity in terms of ground speed and track angle, wind, true and magnetic headings, drift angle, magnetic variation, and inertial flight path angle.

Flight Planning (Section 4.3.2) - This function provides the sequence of waypoints, airways, flight levels, departure procedures, and arrival procedures to fly from the origin to the destination and/or alternates. The flight plan may be entered manually on the MCDU or automatically by uplink via the air-ground data link. A navigation data base in the Flight Management Computer (FMC) contains the necessary data

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420 associated with every flight plan element identifier for the entire aircraft flight  
421 domain.

422 Lateral and Vertical Guidance (Section 4.3.3) - Lateral guidance is computed with  
423 respect to [great-circle/geodesic](#) paths defined by the flight plan, and to transitional  
424 paths between the [great-circle/geodesic](#) paths, or to preset headings or courses.  
425 Vertical guidance is computed with respect to altitudes assigned to waypoints, or to  
426 paths defined by stored or computed profiles. Speed control along the desired path  
427 is provided during all phases of flight.

428 Trajectory Predictions (Section 4.3.3.2.1) - This function predicts distance, time,  
429 speed, altitude, and gross weight at each future waypoint in the flight plan, including  
430 computed waypoints such as top-of-climb and top-of-descent.

431 Performance Calculations (Section 4.3.4) - The objective of this function is to  
432 optimize the vertical and speed profiles to minimize the cost of the flight or meet  
433 some other criterion, subject to a variety of constraints.

434 Air-Ground Data Link - Two-way data communication can be provided to the Airline  
435 Operations Facility and to Air Traffic Services (ATS). Airline Operational  
436 Communication (AOC) data link (Section 4.3.6) is used for flight plans, weather  
437 data, takeoff speeds, preflight initializations, etc., from the airline operations facility  
438 directly into the FMC. Air Traffic Control (ATC) data link (Section 4.3.7) is used to  
439 communicate predefined ATS controller-to-pilot uplink and pilot-to-controller  
440 downlink messages via the MCDU.

441 Pilot Interface via the MCDU (Section 6.0) -- [In legacy architectures](#), the MCDU is  
442 the pilot interface to the FMS. It transmits button pushes to the FMC and displays  
443 data on the MCDU screen in response to transmissions from the FMC. The MCDU  
444 may also provide backup functions should both FMCs fail. [In newer architectures](#),  
445 [the MCDU is replaced by a graphical user interface provided by the Cockpit Display](#)  
446 [System \(CDS\). The FMS is a User Application \(UA\) which requests graphical](#)  
447 [widgets to be displayed on the display and the CDS provides the FMS with actions](#)  
448 [performed on those widgets. The CDS interface is documented in ARINC 661.](#)

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450 [Within this document, references to crew input from the MCDU and](#)  
451 [display of FMS information on the MCDU should be treated as](#)  
452 [generic references which also apply to a CDS architecture.](#)

453

454 Electronic Flight Instrument System [Display](#) (Section 7.0) - The FMC generates a  
455 variety of [outputs - data in support of electronic map displays \(EMD\); a Primary Flight](#)  
456 [Display \(PFD\), Navigation Display \(ND\), and optionally a Vertical Situation Display](#)  
457 [\(VSD\). Within this document, the terms Electronic Flight Instrument System \(EFIS\)](#)  
458 [and Cockpit Display System \(CDS\) are used in reference to the display system](#)  
459 [hardware and associated interfaces; the terms EMD, PFD, ND, and VSD are used](#)  
460 [generically to refer to the various graphical display areas or windows. Based on the](#)  
461 [interface, the FMC may provide data for use by an external symbol generator or](#)  
462 [may provide a series of drawing commands. The EFIS ND interface is detailed in](#)  
463 [Section 7.0; the CDS interface is in ARINC 661. The requirements within this](#)  
464 [document are intended to be consistent with RTCA DO-257\(\): Minimum Operational](#)  
465 [Performance Standards for the Depiction of Navigational Information on Electronic](#)  
466 [Maps; for display on the EFIS for display of command and reference data on the](#)

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Primary Flight Display (PFD) and for graphic map display of the flight plan on the Navigational Display (ND) as well as display of dynamic data such as ground speed, wind, etc.

**FUTURE PROVISIONS FOR AIRPORT SURFACE GUIDANCE (SECTION 4.3.8) ARE INCLUDED.**

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The airlines wish to avoid the installation of equipment that becomes throw-away when additional related functionality is added. Provisions for growth need to be inherent to the initial configuration of the equipment. The equipment also needs to be designed to support the flexibility that allows the airline to configure the system for the specific capabilities required for different aircraft types and operational needs without incurring unnecessary penalties for unused functionality. The growth and flexibility provisions must allow the system to be easily upgraded after initial installation and certification to accommodate the changes in airline and airspace operational requirements.

**1.4 Flight Management Computer Description**

The FMC should contain all of the components, electronic circuitry, memory, etc., incident to the functioning of the system. The unit should also contain, as a minimum, sufficient data storage for all required active engine and airplane performance data, all navigation data required to support the active flight plan, and any alternate secondary flight plan which may have been entered into the system. The FMC should be capable of storing all data required by the system. The computer should be designed such that normal and abnormal power switching transients and other primary power interruptions as defined in RTCA DO-160 do not cause essential memory contents to be lost. Provisions should be made in the design of the computer to allow for future growth of the system. Expanding the capabilities of the computer should be possible with a minimum of rework and at a minimum cost to the airline customer.

**1.5 Interchangeability**

**1.5.1 General**

One of the primary functions of an ARINC Characteristic is to designate, in addition to certain performance parameters, the interchangeability desired for aircraft equipment produced by various manufacturers.

**1.5.2 Interchangeability Desired for the ARINC 702A Flight Management Computer System**

System interchangeability of the FMC with respect to the standard aircraft installation is desired regardless of the manufacturing source. The standards necessary to ensure this level of interchangeability are set forth in Section 2.0 of this Characteristic.

**1.5.3 Generation Interchangeability Considerations**

The advanced FMS defined by ARINC 702A represents an evolutionary development beyond the FMS defined by ARINC 702. Consequently, general form factors and interwiring are similar, but strict interchangeability is not the intended goal.

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511 The air transport industry desires that future evolutionary equipment improvements  
 512 and the inclusion of additional functions in new equipment during the next few years  
 513 do not violate the interwiring and form factor standards set forth in this document.  
 514 Provisions to ensure forward-looking generation interchangeability (as best can be  
 515 predicted) are included in this document to guide manufacturers in future  
 516 developments.

**1.6 Regulatory Approval**

517 The equipment should meet all applicable regulatory requirements. This  
 518 Characteristic does not and cannot set forth the specific requirements that an  
 519 equipment must meet to be assured of approval. Such information must be obtained  
 520 from the appropriate regulatory authority.  
 521

**1.7 Integrity and Availability**

522 Since this equipment is the primary means of navigation on most aircraft, the utmost  
 523 attention should be paid to the need for integrity and availability in all phases of  
 524 system design, production, and installation. This equipment should provide the  
 525 system performance, design and operational integrity, and availability necessary for  
 526 CNS/ATM and Required Navigation Performance (RNP) operations. Integrity should  
 527 consider design assurance for reduced risk of operational excursions beyond RNP  
 528 containment limits, and functional assurance via system capabilities and features  
 529 consistent with CNS/ATM and RNP operations. The system production and  
 530 installation processes and methods should be consistent with the required integrity  
 531 and availability of the system.  
 532

**1.8 Reliability**

533 The anticipated operational use of the system demands the utmost attention to the  
 534 need for reliability in all phases of system design, production, installation, and  
 535 operation of the FMC. It is of paramount importance to the airlines to operate a  
 536 trouble-free unit with minimum impact on scheduling and maintenance. A special  
 537 emphasis should be given to total system quality, including built in testing, ramp  
 538 testing, and shop testing to increase the Mean Time Between Unscheduled  
 539 Removals (MTBUR). MTBUR has a profound effect on airline operations despite a  
 540 high MTBF.  
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542 Airlines have a heightened interest in identifying and correcting the  
 543 root cause(s) of unnecessary LRU removals, many of which result in  
 544 a No Fault Found (NFF) disposition. Each NFF occurrence  
 545 represents an unacceptable additional and excessive cost of  
 546 ownership to the airline. All efforts in the developmental process to  
 547 eliminate NFF occurrences will help improve the MTBUR.  
 548

**1.9 Testability and Maintainability**

549 The total system quality should include adequate ability for the operator to test and  
 550 maintain the FMS effectively. The FMS designer should confer with the user to  
 551 establish goals and guidelines for testability to minimize unnecessary removals. The  
 552 use of advanced Built-In Test Equipment (BITE), ramp testing equipment, and  
 553 adequate documentation will help the operators improve MTBUR. For airline  
 554 operations, MTBUR is at least as important, perhaps more so, than MTBF.  
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556 Testability should provide for the rapid identification of the root cause(s) of repeat  
557 removals and ultimate elimination of unconfirmed faults.

558 For shop maintainability, the design of physical access and functional partitioning of  
559 the FMS should be such to minimize repair time. Where possible, excessive unit  
560 disassembly should not be required for internal component replacement. Full and  
561 complete documentation included in a Component Maintenance Manual will also  
562 facilitate effective maintainability.

563 **1.10 Flight Simulators**

564 Flight simulators are recognized as an important part of the aviation industry.  
565 Airlines depend upon simulators for flight crew and maintenance training. FMS  
566 equipment should be designed for use in flight simulators. Airlines typically desire  
567 simulators to be available as early as possible to allow for crew training prior to  
568 introduction into revenue service. The guidelines of ARINC Report 610B(1):  
569 Guidance for Use of Avionics Equipment and Software in Simulators apply.  
570

**2.0 INTERCHANGEABILITY STANDARDS**571 **2.0 INTERCHANGEABILITY STANDARDS**572 **2.1 Introduction**

573 This section sets forth the specific form factor, mounting provisions, interwiring,  
574 input and output interfaces, and power supply characteristics desired for the Flight  
575 Management Computer (FMC). These standards are necessary to ensure the  
576 continued independent design and development of both the equipment and the  
577 airframe installations. Manufacturers should recognize the practical advantages of  
578 developing equipment in accordance with the form factor, interwiring, and signal  
579 standards of this document.

580 **2.2 Form Factor, Connectors, and Index Pin Coding**

581 The FMC should comply with the dimensional standards in ARINC Specification  
582 600: Air Transport Avionics Interfaces, for the 8 Modular Concept Unit (MCU) or 4  
583 MCU form factor. The FMC should also comply with ARINC Specification 600 with  
584 respect to weight, racking attachments, front and rear projections, and cooling.

585 The FMC should be provided with a low insertion force, ARINC 600 Size 2 service  
586 connector. This connector should be located on the center grid of the FMC rear  
587 panel, and index code 04 should be used. The top and center inserts of the  
588 connector Top Plug (TP) and Middle Plug (MP) should each provide 150 socket-  
589 type contacts. The lower insert Bottom Plug (BP) should provide 11 pin-type  
590 contacts and spaces for two small diameter coaxial contacts. Attachment 2 to this  
591 document shows the connector arrangement. Attachment 3 shows the pin  
592 assignments.

593 If functions (not assigned pins on the service connector in Attachment 2-2 to this  
594 document) are needed to be brought to the outside world to facilitate testing, they  
595 should be assigned pins on an auxiliary connector whose type and location is  
596 selected by the equipment manufacturer. The manufacturer should refer to ARINC  
597 Specification 600 when choosing the location for this connector and note that, other  
598 than to accommodate the needs for equipment identification by the ATE described  
599 in this document, he is free to make whatever pin assignments he wishes. The  
600 airlines do not want the unassigned (future spare) pins of the service connector  
601 used for functions associated solely with ATE use.

602 **2.3 Standard Interwiring**

603 The standard interwiring for the FMC is set forth in Attachment 2-2. The interwiring  
604 for a given installation needs only to ensure interconnection with those sub-systems  
605 actually installed and supported on a particular aircraft type. Wiring associated with  
606 alternate sub-systems shown in Attachment 2-2 need not be installed. Equipment  
607 manufacturers are cautioned not to rely on special wires, cabling, or shielding for  
608 their particular units because they will not exist in an ARINC 702A installation.

609 **2.4 Power Circuitry**610 **2.4.1 Primary Power Input**

611 The FMC should be designed to use 115 volt 400Hz single phase power from a  
612 system designed for Category (A) utilization equipment per ARINC Specification  
613 413A.

614 The primary power inputs to the FMC will be protected by a circuit breaker.  
615 Installation designers should note that the FMC circuit breaker may need to be  
616 capable of handling the current drain of an ARINC 615 or 615A data loader. When

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617 such a device is used with the FMC, it may derive its power from the FMC power  
618 source.

619 The equipment designer should be aware that severe switching and other transient  
620 interruptions to primary power occur during normal aircraft operations. He should  
621 ensure that such interruptions do not cause the computer to lose the contents of its  
622 memory or impose the need to provide an external battery to maintain operations.  
623 No pilot action should be needed to cause the system to return to normal operation  
624 following such normal power interruptions.

625 Equipment designers should take precautions to prevent anomalous operation of  
626 equipment during and after interruptions or transients in the aircraft power system.  
627 The equipment should, as a design goal, continue normal operation while sourcing  
628 current to all active guidance and flag outputs during power interruptions of up to  
629 200 milliseconds. If the equipment shuts down during a power interruption, normal  
630 operation should resume without the need to recycle circuit breakers or clear  
631 memories when power is restored.

632 System response and data retention requirements for primary power interruptions  
633 longer than 200 milliseconds are discussed in Section 3.3.

634 Note: Airframe installation designers should verify that the aircraft  
635 power systems satisfy the primary power interruption criteria  
636 of ARINC Specification 413A.

637 **2.4.2 Power Control Circuitry**

638 There should be no master on/off power switching within the FMC system.

639 **2.4.3 The AC Common Cold**

640 The wire connected to the FMC connector pin labeled 115 VAC Cold will be  
641 grounded to the same structure that provides the dc chassis ground but at a  
642 separate ground stud. Airframe manufacturers are advised to keep AC ground wires  
643 as short as practicable in order to minimize noise pick-up and radiation.

644 **2.4.4 The Common Ground**

645 The wire connected to the FMC connector pin labeled Chassis Ground should be  
646 employed as the DC ground return to aircraft structure. It is not intended as a  
647 common return for circuits carrying heavy ac currents, and equipment  
648 manufacturers should design their equipment accordingly.

649 **2.4.5 Batteries**

650 If battery devices are used in equipment designs, they should not degrade the  
651 MTBF and MTBUR targets for the equipment and should also have a life  
652 expectancy greater than the MTBF target.

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654 Airline experience has shown that batteries have proven to be  
655 maintenance problems in avionic equipment. Manufacturers may  
656 consider the use of batteries to hold-up memory devices through  
657 power transients or long term power outages. Batteries might also be  
658 utilized to maintain real time clock circuits or for other purposes.  
659 However, the airlines encourage the manufacturers to consider other  
660 design solutions instead of using batteries for these functions.



**2.0 INTERCHANGEABILITY STANDARDS****661 2.5 Standardized Signaling**

662 The desire for interchangeability necessitates standardization of the FMC input and  
663 output interface parameters.

664 The FMC should be capable of exchanging data in digital form and as discrete  
665 inputs and outputs. The characteristics of digital signals and discrete signals are  
666 defined herein. These standards should be used as design guidelines to assure the  
667 desired interchangeability of equipment.

668 Certain basic standards established herein are applicable to all signals. Unless  
669 otherwise specified, the signals should conform with the standards set forth in the  
670 subparagraphs below.

**671 2.5.1 General Accuracy and Operating Ranges**

672 The accuracies specified herein should apply under all combinations of the  
673 environmental conditions referenced in Section 2.5 of this document. Accuracy  
674 measurements should be made on the assumption that the inputs to the FMC are  
675 perfect. Accuracies are specified on the basis of 95% of observations and do not  
676 include typical reading inaccuracies of the pilot's instruments.

**677 2.5.2 Resolution**

678 For the purposes of this Characteristic, the resolution or the function threshold  
679 sensitivity is considered to be the maximum cyclic input change (double amplitude)  
680 that can occur without detectable change in the output. The specific figures set forth  
681 for threshold sensitivity of each function should be made without vibration of any  
682 kind being applied and it should be checked approaching the reading with signals  
683 from either direction.

**684 2.5.3 ARINC 429 Data Bus**

685 The FMS equipment utilizes digital signal interfaces defined by ARINC Specification  
686 429: Digital Information Transfer System (DITS).

687 ARINC 429 data bus input labels are defined in Attachment 4 of the document.  
688 Material in this document is included for reference purpose only.

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690 In the event of conflict between this document and ARINC  
691 Specification 429, the equipment designer is encouraged to contact  
692 the supplier of equipment sourcing the ARINC 429 data words.

693 ARINC 429 data bus output labels sent by the FMS are defined in Attachment 4 of  
694 this document. Material in this document is intended to be used by the FMS  
695 equipment designer.

**696 2.5.4 Standard "Open"**

697 The standard "open" signal is characterized by a resistance of 100,000 ohms or  
698 more with respect to signal common.

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700 In many installations, a single switch is used to supply a logic input to  
701 several Line Replaceable Units (LRUs). One or more of these LRUs  
702 may utilize a pull up resistor in its input circuitry. The result is that an

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703 open may be accompanied by the presence of +27.5 VDC nominal.  
704 The signal could range from 18.5 to 36 VDC.

705 **2.5.5 Standard “Ground”**

706 The standard “ground” signal may be generated by either a solid state or  
707 mechanical type switch. For mechanical switch type circuitry, a resistance of 10  
708 ohms or less to signal common would represent the ground condition.  
709 Semiconductor circuitry would exhibit a voltage of 3.5 VDC or less with respect to  
710 signal common in the ground condition.

711 **2.5.6 Standard “Applied Voltage” Output**

712 The standard “applied voltage” is defined as having a nominal value of +27.5 VDC.  
713 This voltage should be considered to be applied when the actual voltage under the  
714 specified load conditions exceeds 18.5 VDC (+36 VDC maximum) and should be  
715 considered to be not applied when the voltage at the output is 3.5 VDC or less when  
716 loaded with no less than 50,000 ohms.

717 **2.5.7 Standard Discrete Input**

718 A standard Discrete Input should recognize incoming signals having two possible  
719 states, open and ground. The characteristics of these two states are defined in  
720 Sections 2.5.4 and 2.5.5. The maximum current flow in the ground state should not  
721 exceed 20 milliamperes.

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723 Some older installations use a number of voltage levels and  
724 resistances for discrete states. In addition, the assignments of valid  
725 and invalid states for the various voltage levels and resistances were  
726 sometimes interchanged, which caused additional complications. A  
727 single definition of discrete levels is being used in an attempt to  
728 standardize conditions for discrete signals. The voltage levels and  
729 resistances used are, in general, acceptable to hardware  
730 manufacturers and airlines. This definition of discrete is also being  
731 used in the other ARINC 700-series characteristics. However, there  
732 are few exceptions for special conditions.

733 The logic sources for the Discrete Inputs to the unit are expected to take the form of  
734 switches mounted on the airframe component (flap, landing gear, etc.) from which  
735 the input is desired. These switches will either connect the Discrete Input pins on  
736 the connector to airframe dc ground or leave an open circuit as necessary to reflect  
737 the physical condition of the related components. The unit will, in each case, be  
738 expected to provide the DC signal to be switched. Typically, this is done through a  
739 pull-up resistor. The equipment input should sense the voltage on each pin to  
740 determine the state (open or closed) of each switch.

741 The selection of the values of voltages and resistances is based on the assumption  
742 that the Discrete Input will utilize a ground-seeking circuit. When the circuit senses a  
743 low resistance or a voltage of less than +3.5 VDC, current flow from the input will  
744 signify a ground state. When a voltage level between +18.5 and +36 VDC is present  
745 or a resistance of 100,000 ohms or greater is connected to the input, little or no  
746 current should flow. The input should be in a quiescent state. The input should also  
747 utilize an internal pull-up to provide for better noise immunity when a true open is  
748 present at the input.

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749 The probability is quite high that the sensors (switches) will be providing similar  
 750 information to a number of users. The probability is also high that unwanted signals  
 751 may be impressed on the inputs to the unit from other equipment, especially when  
 752 the switches are in the open condition. For this reason, equipment manufacturers  
 753 are advised to base their logic sensing on the ground (less than +3.5 VDC) state of  
 754 each input. Also, both equipment and airframe suppliers are cautioned concerning  
 755 the need for isolation to prevent sneak circuits from contaminating the logic.  
 756 Typically, diode isolation is used in the avionics equipment to prevent this from  
 757 happening.

**2.5.8 Standard Discrete Output**

759 A standard Discrete Output should exhibit two states, open and ground, as defined  
 760 in Sections 2.5.4 and 2.5.5. The open state of each discrete is defined as a voltage  
 761 greater than +18.5 VDC (+36 VDC max.), or a resistance of 100,000 ohms or more,  
 762 from the assigned equipment connector pin to airframe dc ground. The ground state  
 763 is defined as a voltage less than +3.5 VDC (0 VDC min.) to airframe dc ground at  
 764 the assigned pin. The maximum current flow through the discrete wire in the ground  
 765 state should not exceed 20 mA.

**COMMENTARY**

766 The probability is quite high that the switches will be providing similar  
 767 information to a number of users. The probability is also high that  
 768 unwanted signals may be impressed on the inputs to the unit  
 769 especially when the switches are in the open condition. For this  
 770 reason, equipment manufacturers are advised to base their logic  
 771 sensing on the standard ground (less than +3.5 VDC) state of each  
 772 input. Avionics suppliers are alerted to the need for isolating diodes in  
 773 the equipment to prevent sneak circuits from contaminating the logic.  
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**2.5.9 Ethernet Interface**

776 ARINC Specification 646: Ethernet Local Area Network (ELAN) defines the  
 777 characteristics of this interface. In the event of conflict between this document and  
 778 ARINC Specification 646, the latter should be assumed to be correct.

**2.5.10 Standard Annunciators**

780 A standard annunciator output should exhibit the same characteristics as the  
 781 standard discrete output described in Section 2.5.8, except the annunciator output  
 782 should be capable of sinking up to 200 mA when in the ground state.

**2.6 Environmental Conditions**

784 The FMC should meet the requirements of the latest versions of RTCA [Document](#)  
 785 [DO-160](#) and [EUROCAE ED-14](#). Attachment 5 to this document tabulates the  
 786 relevant environmental categories.

**2.7 Cooling**

788 The FMC may be designed to utilize, and the airframe installation should provide,  
 789 cooling air in the manner described in Section 3.5 of ARINC Specification 600. The  
 790 airflow rate provided to the FMC in the aircraft installation should be 44 kg per hour  
 791 and the pressure drop of the coolant airflow through the equipment should be  $25 \pm 5$   
 792 mm of water at this rate. The unit should be designed to expend the pressure drop  
 793 in a manner to maximize the cooling effect within the equipment. Adherence to the  
 794 pressure drop standard is needed to allow interchangeability of equipment.

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795 In addition to the above, individual aircraft installations may require operation with  
796 loss of cooling air to meet Extended-Range Twin-Engine Operations (ETOPS)  
797 operating requirements.

**COMMENTARY**

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799 Current ETOPS rules can require operation up to 180 minutes  
800 without cooling air.

801 Equipment failures in aircraft due to inadequate thermal management  
802 have plagued the airlines for many years. Section 3.5 of ARINC  
803 Specification 600 provides design guidance for airframe equipment  
804 suppliers to prevent such problems in the future. Airlines regard this  
805 material as required reading for all potential suppliers of unit and  
806 aircraft installations.

807 **2.8 Weights**

808 System manufacturers should take note of the guidance information on weights  
809 contained in ARINC Specification 600.

810 **2.9 Grounding and Bonding**

811 The attention of equipment and airframe manufacturers is drawn to the guidance  
812 material in Section 3.2.4 of ARINC Specification 600 and Appendix 2 of ARINC  
813 Specification 404A on the subject of equipment and radio rack grounding and  
814 bonding.

**COMMENTARY**

815  
816 A perennial problem for the airlines is the location and repair of  
817 airframe ground connections whose resistance has risen as the  
818 airframe aged. A high resistance ground usually manifests itself as a  
819 system problem that resists all usual approaches to rectification, and  
820 invariably consumes a wholly unreasonable amount of time and effort  
821 on the part of maintenance personnel to fix. Airframe manufacturers  
822 are urged, therefore, to pay close attention to assuring the longevity  
823 of ground connections.

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824 **3.0 SYSTEM DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**825 **3.1 System Configurations**

826 Different configurations of the ARINC 702A Flight Management Computer System,  
 827 illustrated in ATTACHMENT 1 to this document, are described in this section. The  
 828 FMC is expected to be capable of operating interchangeably in all configurations. [In  
 829 an IMA architecture, the FMF is analogous to the FMC for the purpose of these  
 830 system configurations. Single or multiple FMF partitions may be provided in an  
 831 integrated modular avionics architecture.](#)

832 **3.1.1 Single System Configuration**

833 In this configuration, the system accepts inputs from one, two, or three Inertial  
 834 Reference System (IRS), Air Data/Inertial Reference System (ADIRS), or Altitude  
 835 Heading Reference System (AHRS); one or two GNSS Sensors; two each Air Data  
 836 System, VHF Omni-Range Navigation (VOR), and Distance Measuring Equipment  
 837 (DME); and one Instrument Landing System (ILS)/Microwave Landing System  
 838 (MLS) to provide the various navigation and guidance functions. An ARINC 615 and  
 839 ARINC 615A (growth) data loader input is provided for both software and navigation  
 840 data base loading. Also, an interface is provided for an ACARS Management Unit  
 841 (MU) or an ARINC 758 Communications Management Unit (CMU) Mark 2.

842 Inputs of fuel quantity, fuel flow, and engine/airplane configuration parameters and  
 843 inputs from the flight control computer (and for some installations, the thrust control  
 844 computer) combined with the air data inputs are used to provide the performance  
 845 and prediction functions. Initial condition inputs may be inserted manually using the  
 846 MCDU, automatically from airplane sensor systems or loaded using the data link  
 847 function.

848 The system should be capable of ~~independently~~ driving two flight control computers  
 849 and two communication management units, and independently driving two  
 850 navigation displays, ~~and two communication management units.~~

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851 **3.1.2 Single System/Dual MCDU Configuration**

852 In this configuration, the interface is the same as for the single system, with the  
 853 addition of a second MCDU. Both MCDUs have the capability of data entry and  
 854 display independently.

855 **3.1.3 Dual System Configuration**

856 A typical Flight Management System installation is dual, consisting of two MCDUs  
 857 and two FMCs. The FMCs are linked together via the intersystem bus and both the  
 858 MCDUs are connected to both FMCs. MCDU button pushes are processed for  
 859 mode control and display changes. The left and right MCDUs may be operated  
 860 independently; they can display different data pages and the crew can insert data  
 861 using either of them to affect the FM operation. The FMCs transmit certain data to  
 862 each other for comparison and validation. For example, if the computed position  
 863 between the FMCs differs by more than a set threshold, a message is issued to  
 864 warn the crew.

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866 [Please refer to Section 3.5 for Dual System Design Considerations.](#)

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#### 867 3.1.4 Other Configurations

868 Some installations have provided for a third MCDU since one of the MCDUs is  
869 primarily used to manage the data link activity. For this configuration, the third  
870 MCDU may be used as a repeater that can be switched in or out as necessary.

871 Additionally, some installations have provided for a third FMC. This unit is usually  
872 not synchronized with the other two FMCs unless it is switched in as a replacement  
873 because of a unit failure. At this point the unit is fully synchronized by the remaining  
874 FMC and used in the dual configuration.

#### 875 3.2 Certification Design Considerations

##### 876 3.2.1 Partitioning Considerations

877 Manufacturers should carefully consider the internal structure of software in  
878 partitioning sub-functions within an overall function. In an integrated architecture,  
879 the FMF may be a partition within a system which provides all CNS/ATM airborne  
880 functions. The flight management function itself may consist of several sub-  
881 functions such as Navigation, Flight Planning, Crew Interface, I/O, etc., which may  
882 be separate partitions. As the objectives of software partitioning are efficient design  
883 and effective functional allocation, as well as reduced software change costs and  
884 lead times, manufacturers must ensure that the software structure eliminates the  
885 need to revalidate software partitions and modules that have not been affected by a  
886 particular change.

887 In some configurations, the system may be a mixed criticality unit. In other words,  
888 this unit may house software of more than one DO-178B/C level. In these  
889 configurations, manufacturers must ensure that partitioning is robust enough to  
890 accommodate changes in any lower level software (i.e., less critical software)  
891 without mandating the rigors of the more critical software validation, certification,  
892 and maintenance.

##### 893 3.2.2 Operational Functional Independence

894 While the system makes extensive use of shared resources as a multi-function  
895 system (e.g., power supplies, processors), manufacturers may provide for some  
896 system functions to be retained during failure conditions.

#### 897 COMMENTARY

898 Airlines strongly desire to continue to operate the system even if one  
899 or more functions or external interfaces have failed, as long as the  
900 aircraft operation is not predicated on the use of the failed sensor or  
901 function(s). Therefore, a failure condition unique to one function or  
902 sensor should not adversely impact normal operation of any other  
903 system functions.

##### 904 3.2.3 Unit Identification Considerations

#### 905 COMMENTARY

906 Avionics and airframe manufacturers are strongly encouraged to  
907 implement an FMS unit identification methodology that does not  
908 correlate the software version with the basic face plate part number  
909 of the unit. The objective is that a software revision should not result  
910 in the re-identification – part number roll – of the unit. A further  
911 objective is that a common FMS platform (i.e., a single face plate part

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912 number) could be used across multiple fleets and airframe  
 913 manufacturers without re-identification of the unit, even if fleet  
 914 specific software is required for each fleet type.

915 With this approach an individual manufacturer's part numbers are  
 916 assigned and maintained for (1) the FMC hardware, (2) the FMC  
 917 software, and (3) the overall unit (i.e., face plate part number). In this  
 918 case, the face plate part number is referred to as the generic or  
 919 system part number and is not affected by normal revisions to the  
 920 FMS software (e.g., all software or data that can be loaded into the  
 921 unit via a data loader will not require a re-identification of the unit).

922 For this scenario, the operator may stock a given FMC under its  
 923 system part number. This unit could be effective across multiple fleet  
 924 types, each with fleet specific software requirements. When an FMC  
 925 is replaced on an aircraft, the software configuration can be verified  
 926 from the MCDU. If necessary, the FMC may be loaded with the  
 927 applicable certified software for that fleet via data loader or system  
 928 crossload.

929 This scheme allows the operator to minimize sparing when a given  
 930 FMC is used on multiple fleet types, even when unique software is  
 931 required for each fleet. It will also enable new FMC software loads on  
 932 the aircraft without requiring a revision to the FMC ID plates or the  
 933 aircraft Illustrated Parts Catalog (IPC).

**3.3 System Response to Power Interrupts**

934 An appropriate period of time, usually between 5 and 10 seconds, should be  
 935 selected to differentiate between inadvertent power loss and normal equipment turn  
 936 on. The reason for this distinction is to provide a basis for when the system should  
 937 be reinitialized.  
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939 For power outages greater than this time period, the system should automatically  
 940 perform a power-up test cycle. Failure to complete this test cycle successfully  
 941 should cause appropriate flight deck annunciation. The system should also reset  
 942 any flight dependent data such as initial position, flight plan, performance  
 943 initialization, etc., and prompt the crew for entry of this data. Configuration related  
 944 data from program strapping, configuration files, or Airplane Personality Module  
 945 (APM) should be read.

946 For power outages less than this time period the system should resume normal  
 947 functions as quickly as possible. The power up test cycle should not be performed  
 948 and initialization, configuration, and flight plan data should not be reset and the crew  
 949 should not be prompted for data entry. The crew may be prompted to select the  
 950 appropriate fly-to waypoint since flight plan points may have been passed during the  
 951 power outage.

**COMMENTARY**

952 Some systems may also make a distinction of being on the ground or  
 953 in the air. Typically, in-air power ups will be treated as inadvertent  
 954 power outages regardless of the power outage time period. The  
 955 system should be designed to protect data from a power interrupt for  
 956 a period of time consistent with its intended use. Since some  
 957 methods of protecting data do not ensure data validity indefinitely,  
 958

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959 data integrity should be checked before it is used after a power  
 960 outage, especially if the system uses in-air status for determining  
 961 normal power turn on.

962 **3.4 FMC Accuracy and Performance**

963 **3.4.1 Accuracy, Integrity, and Continuity**

964 Accuracy, integrity, and continuity requirements for the ~~lateral navigation~~ lateral  
 965 Guidance function are defined by the ~~RTCA DO-23683()~~ Minimum Aviation  
 966 System Performance Standards (MASPS) Required Navigation Performance for  
 967 Area Navigation. ~~RTCA DDO-223683()~~ also addresses accuracy requirements for  
 968 the ~~vertical navigation~~ Vertical Guidance and ~~trajectory prediction~~ Trajectory  
 969 Predictions functions.

970 The system design should comply with the aeronautical data quality and integrity  
 971 requirements set forth in RTCA DO-200A() and RTCA DO-201A().

972 The system should ensure data integrity in all operations such as:

- 973 • Dataload of program and databases into system memory
- 974 • Reading of program and databases from memory
- 975 • Input of sensor information into the system
- 976 • Entry and edit of information in the flight plan
- 977 • Navigation, performance, and guidance computations
- 978 • Output of information to the various external systems and displays

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980 **3.4.2 Response Time Standards**

981 Specification of precise response time standards is dependent on the detailed  
 982 system operational design. This section provides general guidelines that should be  
 983 considered by system designers in determining computer processing requirements  
 984 and software architecture.

985 Unless explicitly stated otherwise, flight plan response times throughout this  
 986 document are for modifications to the active flight plan. The response times listed  
 987 below are from the completion of crew action until the output of data on the display.

988 **Requirements and Measurements**

Task Description	Max. Response Time
Direct to a Waypoint <del>in the Flight Plan – Lateral Data Display</del> <u>Display</u> <u>of direct-to lateral path on ND</u>	2 seconds
<u>Direct to a Waypoint in the Flight Plan – Vertical Data Display</u>	<u>3 seconds</u>
<u>Direct to a Waypoint Not in the Flight Plan – Lateral Data Display</u>	<u>3 seconds</u>
<u>Direct to a Waypoint Not in the Flight Plan – Vertical Data Display</u>	<u>3 seconds</u>
<u>Steering Lateral Guidance Command Output following flight plan</u> <u>change</u>	3 seconds
<u>Revise Speed or Altitude Constraint in climb or cruise – Time to</u> <u>display target altitude and target speed</u>	<u>3 seconds</u>

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Revise Speed or Altitude <u>Constraint Restriction at Descent Waypoint in descent (no RTA) (- Time to display target altitude, target speed, and of the predicted altitude at the next waypoint vertical deviation)</u>	5 seconds
Revise RTA target speed	<u>530 seconds</u> (15 seconds typical)
Full Flight Plan Prediction -- <u>4D Trajectory (Note 1) Vertical Data (performance depends on factors such as flight plan length and number of waypoints)</u>	<u>30 seconds</u> (15 seconds typical)
Background data update in response to a Mode, <u>sScale</u> , or <u>eOption</u> change on the <u>EFIS Navigation Display</u>	1 second
Software and Data <u>base Base Loading (Note 2) ref. Section 10.3.3) Note: may be limited by file size, media, or loader interface</u>	<u>Goal: less-Less</u> than 15 minutes
ATS Uplink Messages	Note <u>43</u>
ATS Downlink Messages	Note <u>43</u>

Figure 3.4.2-13.4.2-13.4.2-1 Response Time Requirements

**Note:NOTES**

1. 4D Trajectory includes predictions of distance, altitude, airspeed, time, and fuel. The response time depends on many factors such as the number of flight plan waypoints.
  2. The response time depends on file size, media, and/or data loader interface. Refer to Section 10.3.3 for additional data loader requirements.
- The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) CNS/ATM-1 SARPS allocate part of the total system end to end response time to the avionics. Further allocation to individual avionics subsystems (e.g., FMS, CMU, EFIS) is system architecture dependent and beyond the scope of this document.

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## 3.5 Dual System Design Considerations

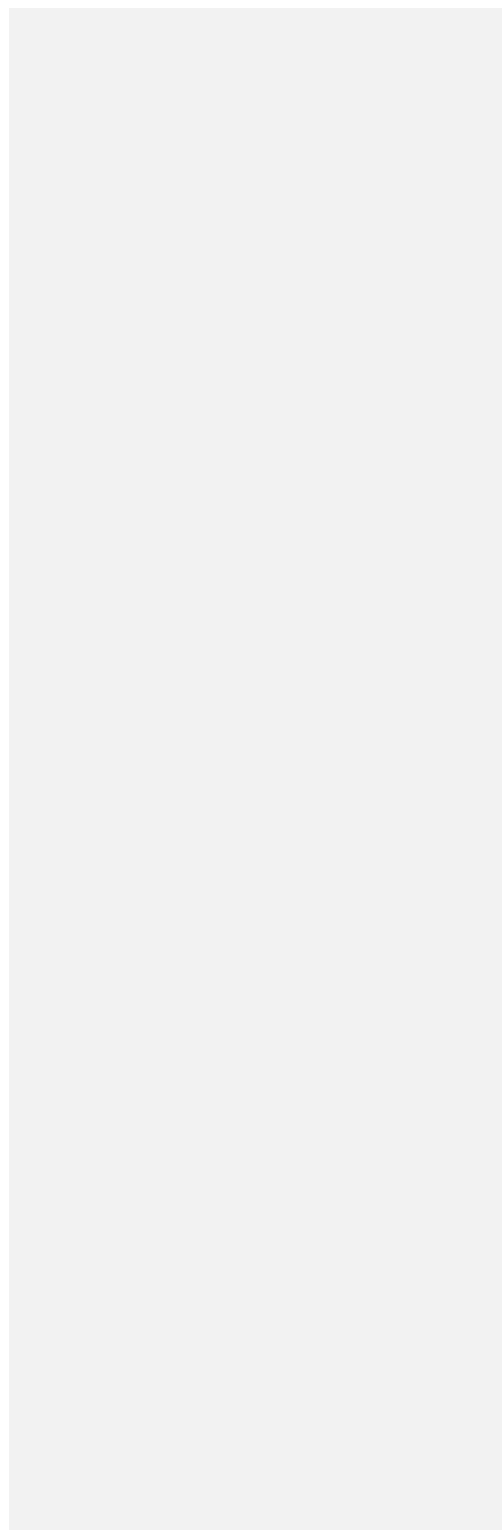
Different approaches may be followed in defining the functional architecture of the dual system installation. Design considerations should include operational independence of the two MCDUs, redundancy management, system integrity, functional availability, and failure response mechanisms. The dual FMCs should exchange information so that in the event of a failure or loss of power in one FMC, the second FMC is available for engagement without additional crew input and without significant discontinuity in the outputs.

In a dual synchronous configuration, one of the FMCs is designated as master and the other as slave. The master designation may be based on the FMC operational status, autopilot or flight director engagement logic, and for some installations, a source select switch. The master FMC performs tasks such as directing the slave to tune radios, determining the order of MCDU button push processing, initiating flight plan leg sequencing, and other system events. Otherwise, the FMCs operate independently.

In another possible dual configuration, a master FMC may be designated that directs all FM operations and synchronizes its data with the spare FMC such that

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1022 the spare FMC can resume FM operations should the master fail or the spare be  
1023 selected as the master. Other dual system configurations may exist as well.  
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## 4.0 FLIGHT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

1026 **4.0 FLIGHT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS**1027 **4.1 Introduction**

1028 This section describes the characteristics of the flight management functions.

1029 **4.2 Functional Initialization and Activation**1030 **4.2.1 Navigation Sensor Initialization**

1031 The system should provide for the initialization of various navigation sensors.

1032 **4.2.1.1 IRS Initialization**

1033 The system should be capable of initializing up to three ARINC 704 Inertial  
1034 Reference Systems or ARINC 738 ADIRS when called upon to do so by flight crew  
1035 action at the MCDU. In response to this initialize command, the system should  
1036 output on its general data buses a burst of not more than four or less than two initial  
1037 position latitude/longitude pairs. This data should consist of BCD-encoded set  
1038 latitude and set longitude words having the labels and data standards defined for  
1039 these quantities in ARINC Specification 429. Position data can be entered as a  
1040 latitude/longitude or selected from the navigation data base as an airport and  
1041 optionally gate, or input from the Global Navigation Satellite System Unit (GNSSU).

1042 **4.2.1.2 IRS Heading Set**

1043 The system should also be optionally capable of setting the IRS magnetic heading  
1044 output to the value entered by the crew at the MCDU. The system should respond  
1045 to the set heading command by transmitting a burst of not more than four or less  
1046 than two BCD-encoded set heading words. ARINC Specification 429 defines the  
1047 applicable label and data standards. Consult ARINC Specification 704: Inertial  
1048 Reference System, for further information on initialization and heading set.

1049 **4.2.1.3 GNSS Initialization**

1050 The system should be optionally capable of initializing up to two ARINC 743A  
1051 GNSS Sensors when called upon to do so by flight crew action at the MCDU. In  
1052 response to this initialize command, the navigation system should output on its  
1053 general data buses, current time and date and a burst of not more than four or less  
1054 than two initial position of a latitude/longitude pair. This data should consist of BNR  
1055 encoded current time in Universal Time Coordinated (UTC), and BCD encoded  
1056 current date, set latitude, and set longitude words.

1057 **COMMENTARY**

1058 GNSS sensors may be indirectly connected to the navigation system  
1059 through the IRS or ADIRS.

1060 **4.2.2 Flight Plan Initialization and Activation**

1061 ~~Once the present position is initialized, a flight plan must be constructed.~~ There are  
1062 various methods for constructing a flight plan such as:

- 1063 • Pre-defined company routes
- 1064 • Entry using FROM/TO format
- 1065 • Menu selection of procedures and/or airways
- 1066 • Individual waypoint entry
- 1067 • Flight Plan Copy

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- [AOC/ATC Uplink](#)

Refer to individual waypoint entry Section 4.3.2.4 for additional details regarding 4.3.2.4, Lateral Flight Planning, details these methods.

This initialization should be performed for every desired flight plan type. Once a flight plan has been constructed facilities should be provided to allow the crew to select a flight plan as the active flight plan or route.

## 4.2.3 Performance and Predictions Initialization

To initialize performance and trajectory prediction computations, gross weight (or of zero fuel weight or and block fuel), cost index, and cruise altitude must be entered are required as a minimum. Block fuel and zero fuel weight would be used instead of gross weight prior to aircraft fueling. Other vertical flight planning parameters may also be initialized as desired. These are discussed in Section 4.3.2.5, Vertical Flight Planning.

The trajectory prediction function also requires a specified flight plan or routing; most of the performance functions do not.

## 4.2.4 Lateral and Vertical Navigation-Guidance Activation

Lateral navigation-Guidance computations are activated by position initialization and the presence of an active route. Vertical navigation-Guidance computations are activated by crew entry of gross weight, cost index, and cruise altitude. Coupled guidance can be selected using the autoflight system AFCS control-Control pPanel. In most systems, lateral and vertical guidance are independent selections on the AFCS Control Panel-though in some, Of those systems with independent selections, lateral guidance is may or may not be a prerequisite for vertical guidance. Both methods are acceptable. In some systems, vertical guidance managed speed control (i.e. control to the FMF vertical guidance speed target) speed targets selected by the Flight Management function) can be selected independent of vertical guidance level change control. On other systems, vertical guidance managed speed control requires managed level change control. can be activated independent of vertical guidance. In other systems, managed speed control is a part of vertical guidance. Both methods are acceptable.

## 4.2.5 Use of Data Link for System Initialization

The data link function can also be used to provide initialization data as described in Sections 4.2.2 and 4.2.3.

## 4.3 Functional Description

## 4.3.1 Navigation

The navigation function furnishes continuous, real-time, three dimensional solutions to the crew and provides the following navigational outputs:

- Estimated Aircraft Position (latitude, longitude, altitude)
- Aircraft Velocity
- Drift Angle (optional)
- Track Angle
- Magnetic Variation (optional)
- Wind Velocity and Direction

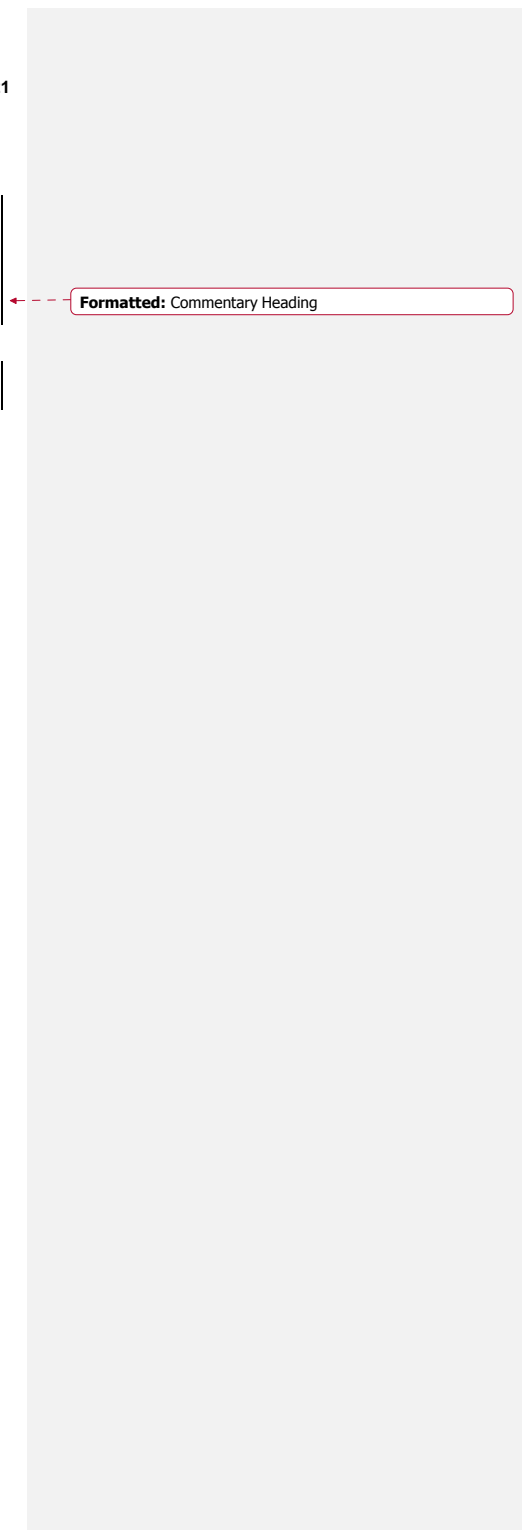
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- Time
- Required Navigation Performance (RNP)
- ~~and an estimate of Actual Navigation Pactual performance (ANP) or Estimate of Position Uncertainty (EPU)~~

COMMENTARY

For the purpose of this document, ANP and EPU are intended to mean the same thing. In system architectures utilizing IRS sensors, drift angle and magnetic variation may be provided directly by the IRS and are not required to be computed by the FMS.



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Further guidance on GNSS requirements for primary means navigation in oceanic and remote operations is defined in FAA Notice 8110.60.

For vertical navigation aspects, the navigation function provides altitude, vertical speed and flight path angle. Unless explicitly stated otherwise, altitude computations operate upon inputs of smoothed inertial altitude from the Inertial Reference Units (IRUs), Air Data/Inertial Reference Units (ADIRUs), or Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS), corrected by barometric (corrected or uncorrected) pressure altitude from the air data system. Flight path angle is derived from vertical speed and computed ground speed. If augmented GNSS altitude is available it may be combined with the air data altitudes to produce a more accurate and stable altitude reference.

## 4.3.1.1 Multi-Sensor Navigation

The navigational output data is computed using the following:

Inertial Reference Unit (IRU or ADIRU) or Air Data Inertial Reference Unit (IRU or ADIRU) or alternatively, on some aircraft, Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS) or Vertical Gyro/Directional Gyro (VG/DG)

- Attitude and Heading
  - IRU or
  - ADIRU or
  - AHRS
- GNSS Receiver
- DME Transponder
- VOR/LOC Receiver
- ILS/MLS Receiver(s)
- Air Data Computer

The navigation function automatically selects the combination of available sensors that provides the best solution for estimating the aircraft position and velocity. Using the sensor accuracy characteristics, sensor raw data, and information about the current conditions, the best combination of position sensors (GNSS, IRU, DME, VOR, etc.) is selected to minimize the position determination error.

## COMMENTARY

As a minimum, the navigation function must provide for GNSS data integrated with a heading/attitude sensor and air data system. Some aircraft installations may not include other navigation radios. Adequate navigation availability must be a consideration in any implementation.

While some installations utilize VG/DG sensor inputs, no specific interface provisions are defined in Section 5. VG/DG inputs in these installations are typically provided in ARINC 429 format by an intermediate system such as the autoflight system providing the appropriate data conversion.

## 4.3.1.2 Navigation Modes

Available navigation sensor data is validated before it is used for updates to the aircraft position. On aircraft with IRUs installed, the primary mode of operation utilizes IRS heading, attitude, position, and velocity, with IRS position and velocity

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1165 combined with GNSS or VHF radio data (e.g. from DME, Tactical Air Navigation  
 1166 System (TACAN), VOR, and LOC/MLS). On aircraft without IRUs the primary mode  
 1167 of operation is position and velocity from available sensors with heading and  
 1168 attitude being provided from an AHRS or VG/DC source. The filtering algorithm  
 1169 should give appropriate weighting based on the sensor accuracy and should  
 1170 provide for sensor error modeling such that the navigation solution accuracy can be  
 1171 maintained through short term unavailability of various sensors. The navigation  
 1172 function should behave smoothly regardless of sensor availability or sensor  
 1173 transitions.

## COMMENTARY

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 1175 With the transition to RNP-based navigation, standardized navigation  
 1176 sensor selection logic is not required; however, in some  
 1177 implementations, a navigation mode sensor hierarchy such as the  
 1178 following may be utilized:

- 1179 • LOC/MLS (approach only)
- 1180 • GNSS
- 1181 • DME/DME
- 1182 • DME/VOR

1183 It may be desirable for non-IRU aircraft to correct heading/attitude sensor data  
 1184 based on the other available sensors to provide for a more accurate coasting mode  
 1185 of operation.

## 1186 4.3.1.3 RNP-Based Navigation

1187 The navigation function should satisfy the accuracy, integrity, and availability criteria  
 1188 set forth for aircraft systems intended to operate in RNP airspace. The systems  
 1189 criteria are specified in RTCA-DO-236() and DO-283()-Minimum Aviation System  
 1190 Performance Standards: Required Navigation Performance for Area Navigation.

1191 The capabilities of the system should encompass position estimation, path  
 1192 definition, and path control and tracking, as well as computing position uncertainty.  
 1193 These capabilities, in addition to a means to evaluate and mitigate flight technical  
 1194 error, should form the basis for evaluating and determining total aircraft systems  
 1195 performance for RNP operations. The system should provide design, function, and  
 1196 operational integrity to ensure acceptable, repeatable, and error-free performance.  
 1197 The system should provide for clear and unambiguous indications of the navigation  
 1198 situation, including alerting to the flight crew when the navigation system does not  
 1199 comply with the requirements of the RNP airspace.

## COMMENTARY

1200  
 1201 RNP is the required navigation performance necessary for operation  
 1202 within a defined airspace. RNP is specified in terms of accuracy,  
 1203 containment integrity, containment continuity, and availability of  
 1204 navigation signals and equipment for a particular airspace, route or  
 1205 operation.

1206 The intent of the material in this section is to provide additional insight  
 1207 into the emerging RNP criteria, especially the system and integration  
 1208 considerations.

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## 1209 4.3.1.3.1 RNP Determination

1210 The system should provide the appropriate RNP selection and entry capabilities to  
 1211 support determination of the applicable RNP for a flight plan path terminator (leg),  
 1212 procedure, or environment based upon the following, in order of priority:

- 1213 • Manual RNP entry by the crew
- 1214 • ~~Leg-Based RNP value from As established in the navigation data base for~~  
 1215 ~~each leg in the flight plan or ATS datalink~~
- 1216 • The default RNP value

## 1217 COMMENTARY

1218 RNP flight plans will consist of a limited subset of the path  
 1219 terminators defined in Section ~~4.3.2.2~~ ~~4.3.2.2, Navigation Data Base~~.  
 1220 These RNP routes and procedures will contain embedded  
 1221 information which establishes the RNP values which apply to the  
 1222 active or next path terminator; in the absence of the embedded RNP  
 1223 information, RNP may be determined or designated by default  
 1224 according to the airspace or environment. ~~In the event, When~~ the  
 1225 system is operated using the default RNP values, the system will  
 1226 require ~~flight phase or~~ navigation environment ~~(i.e. oceanic, enroute,~~  
 1227 ~~terminal, approach)~~ logic to ensure the proper transition from one  
 1228 RNP default value to another.

1229 ~~For some proposed architectures, the RNP versus actual performance comparisons~~  
 1230 ~~or the determination of the applicable RNP may be allocated to a different unit. To~~  
 1231 ~~support these architectures, the FMC should be designed to broadcast the current~~  
 1232 ~~applicable RNP value on the general purpose output busses every 2 seconds.~~

1233 ~~The system should output the current RNP and ANP values on the general~~  
 1234 ~~purpose general-purpose output busses.~~

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1236 4.3.1.3.1.1 Manually ~~Selected~~ Entered RNP Values

1237 ~~The system should support manual entry within a range of possible RNP values~~  
 1238 ~~appropriate for the PBN operation to be flown.~~

1239 A manually entered RNP value should supersede any pre-programmed RNP value  
 1240 associated with a route, procedure or leg, or any default value. The manually  
 1241 entered RNP value should be clearly distinguishable as a manually entered value.  
 1242 In the event of a manually entered value larger than the value being overridden, an  
 1243 advisory alert or annunciation, as appropriate, should be provided to the crew.  
 1244 When a manual entry is deleted, the system should return to the appropriate RNP  
 1245 value based upon its priority. Unless deleted by the crew, the manual entry should  
 1246 remain the active RNP value.

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1248 The annunciation and alerting requirement for manually entered RNP  
 1249 values which exceed the active RNP value may be applied in various  
 1250 ways. One instance is upon entry of the value; this assures pilot  
 1251 awareness of his action relative to overriding limits applicable to the  
 1252 route, procedure, leg, or airspace, and which form the basis for  
 1253 separation. However, conditions such as NOTAMs or diversions due



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1254 to weather may be among the reasons why a manual entry is made.  
 1255 Once accepted, the system should also actively monitor the manual  
 1256 entry relative to the RNP for the procedure, route, leg or default, in  
 1257 the event they change to a smaller value. Advance annunciation or  
 1258 alerting would also be advisable in this case.

1259 4.3.1.3.1.2 Preplanned RNP Values

1260 When an RNP approach procedure offers multiple lines of minima, the system  
 1261 should allow the flight crew to specify or pre-select the desired RNP value for the  
 1262 final approach segment.

1263 COMMENTARY

1264 Some RNP Authorization Required (AR) approaches are designed with multiple  
 1265 lines of minima corresponding to the respective RNP requirement. For these  
 1266 approaches, ARINC 424 specifies that the least restrictive "level of service" be  
 1267 coded in the primary record of the approach procedureNDB. Additional lines of  
 1268 minima are contained in the approach continuation records. For RNP approaches  
 1269 designed with multiple RNP values associated with lines of minima, the flight crew  
 1270 may desire a more restrictive RNP value than the one coded in the NDB. The  
 1271 system should provide a means for the flight crew to specify or pre-select the RNP  
 1272 value to use on the final approach segment prior to commencing the procedure.

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1274 4.3.1.3.1.24.3.1.3.1.3 Navigation-Data BaseLeg-Based RNP Values

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1276 The system should provide the capability to retrieve RNP values from the NDB. The  
 1277 format of the NDB records should be as specified in ARINC Specification 424.

1278 The system should support the definition of an RNP on a leg-by-leg basis. The Leg-  
 1279 Based RNP value should be initialized to the navigation database value associated  
 1280 with the leg upon insertion of the navigation procedure into the flight plan. Uplink of  
 1281 a Leg-Based RNP Value via ATS datalink should be supported as part of dynamic  
 1282 RNP operations.

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1284  
 1285 The system designer may need to consider that although an RNP  
 1286 value may be specified for individual leg(s) of a procedure (SID,  
 1287 STAR, Airway, Approach, Transition, etc.), one is not required. The  
 1288 procedure planner-designer may develop procedures where the RNP  
 1289 value is designated leg by leg, or possibly for only selected flight legs.  
 1290 In this case, where nothing is specified, the system default value  
 1291 would apply.

1292 On some routes and terminal procedures, restrictions along the route  
 1293 (e.g., terrain, airspace, environmental) may require that RNP values  
 1294 be placed on individual legs. These values may be other than the  
 1295 default values (for the respective phase-of-flight navigation  
 1296 environment), and the values may decrease as the aircraft proceeds  
 1297 along the route. This RNP structure is referred to as the “Scalable  
 1298 RNP” element of Advanced RNP. It is assumed that published  
 1299 procedures which employ the Scalable RNP element will retrieve the  
 1300 respective RNP value for each leg from the NDB. In addition to the  
 1301 values coded in the NDB, RNP values may be transmitted via ATS  
 1302 datalink for dynamic operations.

1303 When the RNP value is provided on downpath legs, the system should provide an  
 1304 indication to the flight crew when the RNP performance cannot be met at the next  
 1305 waypoint. The indication should be provided sufficiently early such that the flight  
 1306 crew can take action to resolve the situation.

1309 **4.3.1.3.1.34.3.1.3.1.4 Stored Default Values**

1310 The system should provide the capability for stored default RNP values for the  
 1311 various navigation environments (e.g., oceanic, enroute, terminal, approach). These  
 1312 values may be established as pre-programmed values and/or loadable into the  
 1313 system.

1314 The stored default RNP value for each respective navigation environment should  
 1315 correlate to one of the Navigation Specification values as defined in ICAO Doc  
 1316 9613: Performance-Based Navigation Manual.

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1320 The system design may establish the stored defaults with pre-  
 1321 programmed default values which can be overridden by loadable  
 1322 values via a separately loadable data file. As an alternative, the  
 1323 default values may be established by the loadable data file only. The  
 1324 approach taken will be influenced by the system built-in test design  
 1325 for faults and response, as well as the system design integrity.

1326 The two-step approach of hard-coded values which can be overridden by loadable  
 1327 values offers the potential to compensate for a corrupted file or non-valid RNP  
 1328 values; supposedly the system could be used with the hard-coded defaults and

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1329 ~~avoid any delays in service or operation due to the corrupted file or non-valid RNP~~  
 1330 ~~value. The loadable file only approach avoids the potential for erroneous selection~~  
 1331 ~~of default values. The RNP file could be adequately protected with an error~~  
 1332 ~~detection and correction code to ensure fault detection and correction of the data.~~  
 1333 ~~In addition, the procedures for establishing the defaults should provide assurance~~  
 1334 ~~of the correctness and validity of the RNP defaults, along with verification prior to~~  
 1335 ~~and during development of the file.~~

## 1336 4.3.1.3.2 Determination of Navigation System Performance

1337 Navigation system performance should be evaluated considering position  
 1338 estimation error, path definition error, and flight technical error, which are the key  
 1339 elements of total system error. The total system error components in the cross-track  
 1340 and along track directions should be less than the RNP value 95% of the flying time.

## 1341 COMMENTARY

1342 The complete set of criteria for evaluating navigation system  
 1343 performance should be as set forth in ~~the RNP MASPSDO-223683()~~.  
 1344 It should be noted that while all system integrators will need to  
 1345 evaluate their systems using the same standards and criteria, the  
 1346 systems implementations will vary and will dictate the acceptable  
 1347 operating modes and systems configurations. In one method, the  
 1348 system operation will be predicated on a design which relies upon  
 1349 comparisons of the systems' estimate of position uncertainty versus  
 1350 RNP, while at the same time evaluating integrity. However, this may  
 1351 carry with it restrictions on the mode of system operation (e.g. flight  
 1352 director mode or coupled with autopilot for RNP 1) necessary to  
 1353 achieve and assure consistent performance. In another method, the  
 1354 system operation will be predicated upon a real-time evaluation of all  
 1355 factors in total system error such that mode limitations or restrictions  
 1356 may not apply.

## 1357 4.3.1.3.3 Navigation Alerting and Display

1358 The system should provide for clear and unambiguous indications of the state of the  
 1359 aircraft navigation system, including situational awareness information and alerts.

## 1360 COMMENTARY

1361 The system should provide information which allows the  
 1362 determination that the equipment is functioning properly. In addition,  
 1363 indications should be provided which allow the operator to determine  
 1364 the navigation sensors in use and the actual level of navigation  
 1365 performance. The system should also provide annunciations and  
 1366 alerting of unacceptable degradation in navigation performance,  
 1367 including alerting to the flight crew when the navigation system does  
 1368 not comply with the requirements of the RNP airspace, routes, and  
 1369 procedures. Some solutions for this could include indications and  
 1370 alerts when the system estimate of position uncertainty exceeds the  
 1371 RNP value. In others, the estimate of position uncertainty and flight  
 1372 technical error may have correlated indications and alerts.

1373 Additional display and alerting requirements relative to manually  
 1374 entered RNP's and determination of navigation system performance  
 1375 are described in Sections 4.3.1.3.1.1 and 4.3.1.3.2.

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## 1376 4.3.1.4 Navaid Data

1377 In support of the navigation function, the system must contain an extensive  
1378 navigation data base. This database typically includes the enroute, terminal, and  
1379 approach procedures ~~(including RNP criteria) along with applicable RNP~~  
1380 ~~requirements~~, the navigation aid ground station information, and the procedure  
1381 recommended navaid information required for flight in the area in which the aircraft  
1382 operates. [See Section 9.2 for additional details regarding the navigation](#)  
1383 [database](#). ~~Reference the Data Base Storage Considerations section for further~~  
1384 ~~detail.~~

## 1385 4.3.1.5 Crew Controlled Navigation Options

1386 Some sensor inputs to the navigation function should be capable of being blocked  
1387 by pilot action. Localizer updates should always occur when in approach with an ILS  
1388 approach selected as part of the flight plan. DME, VOR, and GNSS updating may  
1389 be stopped by manual selection on the MCDU. Additionally, DME and VOR nav aids  
1390 may be individually blocked from the navigation solution by entering their identifiers  
1391 on the MCDU or by data link. This manual blockage of individual nav aids should be  
1392 cleared at flight completion.

1393 Capability may also be provided for navigation override where the operator can  
1394 force the navigation position to coincide with a selected navigation sensor or  
1395 reference position ~~(e.g., takeoff runway threshold or intersection point)~~. This  
1396 position shift action aligns the system position to the selected sensor. ~~Override of~~  
1397 ~~the~~ navigation position to a manual reference point (i.e., ~~overfly~~ fix) is inconsistent  
1398 with RNP operation.

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- 1400 These options are intended as backup options for use in the event that a system  
1401 generated message, such as verify position, alerts the crew to a problem in the  
1402 navigation that the system cannot correct itself.
- 1403 Facilities should be provided to accommodate manual tuning by the crew of the  
1404 DME/VOR radios. If a receiver is being manually tuned, the navigation function  
1405 should continue to auto tune any available channels with station selection as  
1406 specified for auto tuning. If insufficient channels remain for satisfactory auto-tuning,  
1407 then the navigation function may utilize the manually tuned stations if appropriate.
- 1408 **4.3.1.6 VHF Radio Tuning**
- 1409 **4.3.1.6.1 Automatic Station Selection**
- 1410 When the navigation VHF radio receivers are available for automatic tuning, the  
1411 navigation function should select and tune appropriate ground radio navigation  
1412 facilities and use their position fixing data to refine the current navigation position.  
1413 The nav aids considered to be available for selection should be those contained  
1414 within a usable distance from the estimated current aircraft position. This group of  
1415 nav aids, combined with any additional nav aids defined by crew entry, should make  
1416 up the set of nav aids from which the best navigation aids can be drawn.
- 1417 With scanning DME installations, up to five frequencies can be allocated to tune  
1418 each interrogator and, depending upon the aircraft, may be designated for multiple  
1419 DME range measurements, VOR/DME position fixing, ILS/DME or procedure-  
1420 specified or pilot-selected nav aids. If a procedure being flown has a specified  
1421 nav aid associated with it, then that nav aid must be tuned and used for navigation  
1422 purposes.
- 1423 Station selection criteria should be designed to limit station switching activity to a  
1424 minimum.
- 1425 **4.3.1.6.2 Nav aid Reasonableness Determination**
- 1426 DME range measurements received by the navigation function should be compared  
1427 with that of the expected radio range measurement as a reasonableness test. When  
1428 the comparison is outside of a reasonable tolerance, the data should be rejected  
1429 and should not be used in the position computations.
- 1430 **4.3.1.7 Real Time Clock**
- 1431 The system should receive real time (UTC) clock data from the GNSS. For back up  
1432 purposes, the system should utilize a GNSS-updated (or manually synchronized)  
1433 on-board clock (See Section 5.1.15), or provide an internal UTC time clock  
1434 capability which is synchronized with the external input or may be manually  
1435 initialized. In the event of loss of the external input, the internal time clock should  
1436 maintain UTC within a  $\pm 1$  second accuracy over the duration of the flight.
- 1437 **4.3.2 Flight Planning**
- 1438 The flight planning facilities provide for the assembly, modification, and selection of  
1439 active and secondary flight plans. Data can be extracted from the navigation data  
1440 base that contains airline-unique company flight plans, navigational aids, airways,  
1441 waypoints, published departure and arrival procedures, approaches along with  
1442 associated missed approach procedures, etc. The selection of flight planning data is  
1443 done through the MCDU, through the data link function or optionally **with the**  
1444 **pointing device via a graphical user interface**. Flight plan capacity should be a

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1445 minimum of 1050 waypoints in each flight plan. For longer range aircraft, a  
 1446 minimum of 200 waypoints in each flight plan is highly encouraged.

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1448 Various system implementations use different flight plan  
 1449 designations such as active, modified, temporary, primary, and  
 1450 secondary. Within this document, the following designations are  
 1451 used: Active, Modified, and Secondary. With respect to a flight plan,  
 1452 the terms Primary and Alternate are also used and refer to the series  
 1453 of waypoints in an active, modified, or secondary flight plan  
 1454 associated with the route to the primary and alternate destination  
 1455 respectively.

1456 provide for differing flight planning designations, such as active,  
 1457 modified, temporary, primary, secondary, inactive, Route 1, or Route  
 1458 2. These are all acceptable, and are referred to generically herein as  
 1459 active, modified, and secondary flight plans.

## 4.3.2.1 Flight Plan States

1462 Once a route is entered or selected as the active flight plan, it becomes the basis  
 1463 from which all guidance and advisory data is referenced. The secondary flight plan  
 1464 can have the same terminus or can be completely different with no shared  
 1465 waypoints.

1466 It should be possible to make modifications to the active flight plan and review the  
 1467 impact of those modifications without affecting the active flight plan. For crew review  
 1468 and evaluation, the EFIS-ND (optional) should show the modified flight plan together  
 1469 with the unmodified active flight plan, with unique symbology to differentiate  
 1470 between them. Performance (Trajectory) predictions should be available on the  
 1471 MCDU for the modified flight plan. During this modification process, all guidance  
 1472 and advisory data is still referenced to the unmodified active flight plan.

1473 This modification process may should use a separate modified flight plan or it may  
 1474 make use of the secondary flight plan. If a separate modified flight plan is used,  
 1475 then wWhen all the desired changes have been made, the crew must invoke the  
 1476 modified flight plan to replace the active flight plan. This action will replace the  
 1477 active flight plan and terminate the existence of the modified flight plan. All guidance  
 1478 and advisory data will immediately be referenced to the newly invoked flight plan.

1479 Facilities should be provided to access the independent secondary flight plan and to  
 1480 copy this flight plan into the active flight plan when requested by the crew. These  
 1481 facilities will also be used in modifying the active flight plan if the manufacturer has  
 1482 opted to use this method to preview flight plan changes, rather than having a  
 1483 separate modified flight plan.

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1485 In defining how the FMS should provide the preview capability for the active flight  
 1486 plan, manufacturers should take into account the need to use the secondary flight  
 1487 plan for other purposes. Airlines have expressed a desire to retain the content of

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1488 ~~this flight plan when flight plans received from Air Traffic Control (ATC) are being~~  
 1489 ~~previewed.~~

## 4.3.2.2 Navigation Data Base

1491 The Navigation Data Base (NDB) contains enroute, terminal, and airline custom  
 1492 defined data needed to support the flight management functions. It should be  
 1493 packed in a format to efficiently use available memory and to provide rapid access  
 1494 to the data. The format of the source data for the navigation data base is defined in  
 1495 ARINC 424. The supplier of the data, packing format, and maintenance of the data  
 1496 is to be specified by the supplier.

1497 Section 9.2 of this document provides a more complete description of the content of  
 1498 the navigation data base.

1499 Each navigation data base is valid for a specific effectivity period and is updated  
 1500 typically on a 28-day cycle. The effectivity dates for a set of data are displayed for  
 1501 reference on the system's configuration definition page. The navigation data base  
 1502 effectivity period should be compared automatically with the current date and  
 1503 discrepancies annunciated.

1504 The system should be capable of defining a flight path based on standard ARINC  
 1505 424 path terminators as shown below:

1506	AF	DME Arc to a Fix
1507	CA	Course to an Altitude
1508	CD	Course to a Distance
1509	CF *	Course to a Fix
1510	CI	Course to an Intercept
1511	CR	Course to Intercept a Radial
1512	DF *	Direct to a Fix
1513	FA *	Course from Fix to Altitude
1514	FC	Course from Fix to Distance
1515	FD	Course from Fix to DME Distance
1516	FM	Course from Fix to Manual Term
1517	HA *	Hold to an Altitude
1518	HF *	Hold, Terminate at Fix after 1 Circuit
1519	HM *	Hold, Manual Termination
1520	IF *	Initial Fix
1521	PI	Procedure Turn
1522	RF *	Constant Radius to a Fix
1523	TF *	Track to Fix
1524	VA	Heading to Altitude
1525	VD	Heading to Distance
1526	VI	Heading to Intercept next leg
1527	VM	Heading to Manual Termination
1528	VR	Heading to Intercept Radial

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Even though it is expected that in the future only a limited set of these terminator types will be used, as defined (\*) above and as specified in [the RTCA RNP MASPDO-236\(\)](#) and [DO-283\(\)](#), the advanced system should continue to support this list as long as procedures exist that use these terminator types.

4.3.2.3 Supplemental and Temporary NDB Creation and Management

Besides waypoints and nav aids contained in the data base, new waypoints that can be used in flight plan construction may be created in a number of ways.

The system should support creation of new waypoints in the following ways:

- Point Bearing/Distance (PBD)
- Point Bearing/Point Bearing (PB/PB)
- Along Track Fix
- Latitude/Longitude
- Dir-To Abeam Waypoint(s)

The system may support creation of new waypoints in the following ways:

- Latitude/Longitude Crossing
- Unnamed Airway Intersection
- Fix Intersection
- Runway Extension
- FIR/SUA Intersection

These waypoints should be stored in the temporary navigation database.

Waypoints may be created using Point Bearing/Distance (PBD), PB/PB, Along Track Offset (ATO), Lat/Long, crossings, airway intersections, runway extensions, or ABEAM facilities, and are stored in the temporary navigation data base. These capabilities are optional as defined below.

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1559	Optional capability may be provided to allow waypoints, nav aids, and airports to be
1560	directly created by the crew (or data link function) using a supplemental navigation
1561	data base facility. The supplemental NDB is retained indefinitely (until deleted). The
1562	temporary data base is retained until flight complete (deleted automatically after
1563	touchdown). A supplemental and temporary navigation data base summary facility
1564	is provided for the crew to inspect, review, and select the current contents of these
1565	data bases.
1566	<b>4.3.2.3.1 PBD Waypoints</b>
1567	Waypoints can be created as bearing/distance off existing named waypoints,
1568	nav aids or airports.
1569	<b>4.3.2.3.2 PB/PB Waypoints</b>
1570	Waypoints can be created as the intersections of bearings from two defined
1571	waypoints.
1572	<b>4.3.2.3.3 <u>ATO-Along Track Fix</u> Waypoints</b>
1573	Waypoints can be created by an Along Track <u>Offset (ATO)Distance</u> from an existing
1574	flight plan waypoint. The waypoint that is created is located at the distance entered
1575	and along the current flight plan path from the waypoint used as the fix. A positive
1576	distance results in a waypoint after the fix point in the flight plan while a negative
1577	distance results in a waypoint before the fix point.
1578	<b>4.3.2.3.4 Lat/Long Waypoints</b>
1579	Waypoints can be created by entering in the latitude/longitude coordinates of the
1580	desired waypoint.
1581	<b>4.3.2.3.5 Lat/Long Crossing Waypoints</b>
1582	Waypoints can be created by specifying a latitude or longitude. In this case, a
1583	waypoint will be created where the active flight plan crosses that latitude or
1584	longitude. Latitude or longitude increments can optionally be specified in which case
1585	several waypoints are created that correspond to where the flight plan crosses the
1586	specified increments of latitude or longitude.
1587	<b>4.3.2.3.6 <u>Unnamed Airway Intersection-of Airways</u></b>
1588	Waypoints can be created as the intersection of two airways. Waypoints will be
1589	created at all points where the airways cross.
1590	<b>4.3.2.3.7 Fix <u>Intersection</u> Waypoints</b>
1591	Waypoints can be created by using a Fix Reference MCDU page. Reference
1592	information includes creation of abeam waypoints and creation of waypoints where
1593	the intersections of a specified radial or distance from a specified fix intersects the
1594	current flight plan is computed.
1595	<b>4.3.2.3.8 Runway Extension Waypoints</b>
1596	Runway extension waypoints may be created by selecting a distance from a given
1597	<u>destination</u> runway. The new waypoint will be located that distance from the runway
1598	threshold along the reciprocal <u>runway</u> of the <u>runway</u> heading.

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1599 4.3.2.3.9 **Dir-To Abeam Waypoints**

1600 If a direct-to is performed, facilities should be provided to retain intervening  
 1601 waypoint information (such as speed/altitude constraints, waypoint wind data,  
 1602 etc.). If the abeam facility is selected, then temporary waypoints will be created at  
 1603 their abeam point on the direct to path. Any waypoint information associated with  
 1604 the original waypoint will be transferred to the new waypoints.

1605 **COMMENTARY**

1606 Care should be exercised in the implementation of the abeam  
 1607 waypoint function since other effects such as inappropriate course  
 1608 changes in the direct-to path and inclusion of abeam points in some  
 1609 data link waypoint lists may be undesirable.

1610 4.3.2.3.10 **FIR/SUA Intersection Waypoints**

1611 The system should define waypoints at the intersection of Flight Information  
 1612 Region (FIR) boundaries and Special Use Areas (SUA) stored in the navigation  
 1613 data base in constructing flight plans.

1614 4.3.2.3.11 **Suggested Waypoint Naming Convention**

1615 Flight plan waypoints created using the above capabilities should be given flight  
 1616 plan identifiers in accordance with the following conventions:

1617	Place/Bearing/Distance	wptnn
1618	Place-Bearing/Place-Bearing	wptnn
1619	Along Track Waypoint	wptnn
1620	Latitude/Longitude	wxyzzz or xxwzzzy
1621	Crossing Fix	wxx or yzzz
1622	Airway Intercept	Xawy
1623	<u>Dir-To</u> Abeam Waypoint	——wptnn
1624	Radial or abeam intercept	wptnn
1625	Runway extension	RXrwyhdg
1626	FIR/SUA intersection	FIRnn or SUAnn

1627 Upper case indicates actual characters used, and lower case indicates variable  
 1628 content as follows:

1629	nn	FMS-determined sequence number
1630	awy	Full identifier of airway following the intersection
1631	wpt	First 3 characters of the base waypoint identifier
1632	w	N or S as appropriate
1633	y	E or W as appropriate
1634	xx	degrees of latitude
1635	zzz	degrees of longitude
1636	rwyhdg	<u>two</u> -digit nominal runway heading

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To minimize the need for the crew to resolve duplicate waypoints, the system designer should choose naming conventions or methods that are unlikely to match waypoints in the Navigation Database.

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1643 **4.3.2.4 Lateral Flight Planning**1644 **4.3.2.4.1 Flight Plan Construction**

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Flight plans can be constructed in a variety of ways:

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- [NDB Terminal Area](#) procedures
- Airways
- Pre-stored company routes
- Waypoints
- Navaids
- Runways
- Supplemental/Temporary waypoints
- Combinations thereof

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These selections may be strung together by menu selection from the NDB or by specific edit actions. Flight plans can also be constructed and edited through the data link function.

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Computation of flight plan magnetic courses should utilize an internal magnetic variation model utilizing a magnetic variation data base as defined in Section 9.5.

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**4.3.2.4.2 NDB Terminal Area Procedures**

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The following navigation data-base procedure types should be supported:

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- Standard Instrument Departure (SID)
- Engine-out SID
- Standard Terminal Arrival Route (STAR)
- [FMS/Area Navigation \(RNAV/RNP\) Approach including LP/LPV \(SBAS\)](#)
- [GPS \(GNSS\) Approach](#) ~~Global Positioning System (GPS)/GNSS~~
- [ILS/MLS/ILS/LOC Approach](#)
- [MLS Approach](#)
- [GLS \(GBAS\) Approach](#)
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The following navigation data-base approach procedure types may be supported based on individual system or customer requirements:

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- [RNP Authorization Required \(RNP-AR\)](#)
- VOR
- ~~Non-Directional~~ [Non-Directional](#) Beacon
- Localizer Directional Aid (LDA)
- [Instrument Guidance System \(IGS\)](#)

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- [RNAV Visual Flight Procedure \(RVFP\) / Visual Guidance Approach \(VGA\)](#)
- [Circling Approach](#)
- [Visual Prescribed Track \(VPT\)](#)

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In the future, with the anticipated widespread introduction of precision FMS and GPS/GNSS approach procedures based on the RNP navigation concept, the use of traditional non-precision approach procedures is expected to diminish.

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The following navigation database SID procedure types may be supported based on individual system or customer requirements:

- [RNP Authorization Required \(RNP-AR\)](#)

Some of these procedures may have an associated RNP value to be used for the navigation function while flying these procedures.

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**4.3.2.4.4.3.2.4.3 Flight Plan Editing**

The flight planning function offers various ways to modify the flight plan at the crew's discretion. These are described in the following sections.

**4.3.2.4.4.4.3.2.4.3.1 Direct/Intercept Option**

The direct/intercept feature allows the crew to select any fixed waypoint as the active waypoint and for the intercept option, to select the desired course into this waypoint. If the direct-to option is selected, the waypoint becomes the active waypoint and the flight plan that results goes direct from the current aircraft position to that waypoint. Any waypoints in the flight plan before that waypoint are deleted from the flight plan. Whenever the intercept option is selected on a given fixed waypoint, either the direct-to course or an entered course can be selected as the course to that waypoint.

**4.3.2.4.4.4.3.2.4.3.2 Entry of Waypoints**

Waypoints may be entered at any point in the flight plan provided it results in a valid leg combination. Refer to ARINC 424 for valid leg combinations. These waypoints may be from the navigation data base, supplemental data base, or temporary data base. It is possible that more than one waypoint uses the same identifier. Therefore, facilities must be provided to display a sorted list (based on distance from the aircraft) of the coordinates for all selections and allow the crew to make the choice, or alternatively to provide logic for automatic selection.

**4.3.2.4.4.4.3.2.4.3.3 Flight Plan Linking**

Facilities should be provided to select portions of the flight plan and re-link that portion with another portion of the flight plan.

**4.3.2.4.4.4.3.2.4.3.4 Flight Plan Delete**

Facilities should be provided to allow the use of a delete function to remove unwanted portions of a flight plan.

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1718 ~~4.3.2.4.4.5~~ **4.3.2.4.3.5 Procedure Selection**

1719 Selecting procedures from the data base will replace a previous procedure  
 1720 selection, retaining the active waypoint if it was part of the previous procedure  
 1721 selection and optionally retaining constraints previously sent by the ATC on  
 1722 waypoints part of the selected procedure.

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1724 ~~4.3.2.4.4.6~~ **4.3.2.4.3.6 Holding Patterns (HM Leg) and Procedure Turns**

1725 Holding patterns ~~and optionally procedure turns~~ can be defined by data base  
 1726 procedure or manually specified at the current position or at ~~any~~ selected waypoint.  
 1727 All parameters for holding patterns ~~or procedure turns~~ are editable including entry  
 1728 inbound course, turn direction, and leg time/length, etc. flyover/flyby, hold speed.

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1730 ~~4.3.2.4.4.7 In the future, with the anticipated widespread introduction of precision FMS and~~  
 1731 ~~GPS/GNSS approach procedures the use of procedure turns as part of~~  
 1732 ~~traditional approach procedures is expected to diminish.~~

1733 ~~4.3.2.4.4.8~~ **4.3.2.4.3.7 Flight Plan Editing using Data Link**

1734 Facilities should be provided to perform flight plan construction and editing using  
 1735 both AOC and ATC data link. If a flight plan data link is received, then a message is  
 1736 issued to the crew of the pending request. Facilities to review and to accept or reject  
 1737 the data link action must be provided.

1738 **4.3.2.4.3.8 Flight Plan Editing using a Pointing Device**1739 ~~[Deleted by Supplement 5]~~

1740 ~~— Recommendations for this function will be provided in a future Supplement to this~~  
 1741 ~~Characteristic.~~

1742 ~~4.3.2.4.5~~ **4.3.2.4.4 Flight Planning Support for ATM**1743 ~~[Deleted by Supplement 5]~~

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1744 4.3.2.4.6 4.3.2.4.5 **Missed Approach Procedures**

1745 The flight planning function also allows missed approach procedures to be included  
 1746 in the flight plan. These missed approach procedures can either come from the  
 1747 navigation data base where the missed approach is part of a published procedure,  
 1748 in which case they will be automatically included in the flight plan. Additional  
 1749 waypoints can be added beyond the MAP to be flown in the event of a missed  
 1750 approach. Alternatively, or they a missed approach can be manually constructed by  
 1751 entry through the MCDU. In either case, aAutomatic guidance will be available upon  
 1752 activation of the missed approach. Use of RNP based FMS and GPS/GNSS  
 1753 approach procedures may not allow manually constructed missed approach  
 1754 procedures.

1755 4.3.2.4.7 4.3.2.4.6 **Lateral Offset Construction**

1756 The flight planning function can create a parallel flight plan by specifying a direction  
 1757 (left or right of path) and distance (up to 99 nm). Capability may be optionally  
 1758 provided to allow selection of a start and end waypoint for an active flight plan. A  
 1759 complete lateral path for the offset will be generated to ensure guidance and other  
 1760 advisories, consistent with the requirements for RNP navigation and the RTA  
 1761 function.

1762 **COMMENTARY**

1763 Designers should ensure that flyable offset paths are created. Series of offset  
 1764 waypoints that create course reversals or unflyable paths should be avoided.  
 1765 Transition paths to and from the offset path should also be defined.

1766 The flight planning function should support the creation of a parallel offset path via  
 1767 specification of a direction (left or right of path) and distance. For the offset distance,  
 1768 the system should support a maximum value of at least 20 NM with a resolution of  
 1769 0.1 NM for at least the first 10 NM. Multiple pre-planned parallel offsets may be  
 1770 supported but are not required.

1771 **COMMENTARY**

1772 DO-236() and DO-283() require the system to support a resolution of  
 1773 0.1 NM. The above requirement ensures that the manual entry of a  
 1774 parallel offset will support the 0.1 NM resolution. However, it should  
 1775 be noted that at the time of publication of this characteristic, some  
 1776 datalink systems industry standards do not currently support such  
 1777 resolution. For instance, DO-258A, which specifies the FANS 1/A+  
 1778 Interoperability Requirements, currently supports only a 1 NM  
 1779 resolution.

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 1781 The system should allow initiation of the parallel offset at the current aircraft position  
 1782 or at a specified downpath waypoint.

1783 The system should allow termination of the parallel offset: immediately when  
 1784 commanded by the crew, at a specified downpath waypoint, or automatically:

- 1785 • at the first fix of an instrument approach procedure (IAF, IF or FAF); or
- 1786 • when a leg type other than TF, CF, DF, RF is encountered; or

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1787                   • when the offset path is not flyable (i.e. when a combination of ground speed  
1788                   track change geometry and waypoint proximity forces course reversals); or

1789                   • when reaching a lateral discontinuity

1790                   When transitioning to and from the offset path, a 30-degree intercept angle should  
1791                   be used by default. Entry or selection of another intercept angle may be optionally  
1792                   provided.

1793                   The system should provide the capability to offset predefined curved paths such as  
1794                   Fixed Radius Transitions (FRT) and optionally, RF legs.

1795                   When executing a parallel offset, all performance requirements and constraints of  
1796                   the original path should be applicable to the offset path. Guidance parameters (e.g.  
1797                   cross-track deviation, distance-to-go) should be referenced to the offset path and  
1798                   offset waypoints. The system should provide a means for display of both the parallel  
1799                   offset path and the original path. Display of the transition paths between the original  
1800                   path and the parallel path is highly recommended.

1801                   Refer to DO-236() and DO-283() for additional lateral offset requirements.

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1803 4.3.2.4.7 Magnetic Variation

1804                   The system should have the capability of assigning a magnetic variation (MagVar)  
1805                   at any fix/location when operations are conducted relative to Magnetic North. The  
1806                   MagVar value may be retrieved from the NDB, or in the absence of an NDB-  
1807                   specified value, computed using an internal magnetic reference.

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1810                   DO-283() provides requirements for the treatment of MagVar on  
1811                   terminal procedures, airports, leg types, en route areas and an  
1812                   internal set of magnetic variation tables.

1813                   ARINC 424 specifies NDB requirements for MagVar on certain leg  
1814                   types. Additionally, ARINC 424-19 introduced the concept of a  
1815                   Procedure Design MagVar (PDMV) which attempts to relieve the  
1816                   confusion on which MagVar value to use (when the various options  
1817                   conflict) by coding an appropriate MagVar value on the respective  
1818                   instrument procedure or individual procedure legs.

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1820                   The system should incorporate a hierarchy to determine the use of MagVar  
1821                   sources in the following order (note that 1, 2 and 3 will be coded in the NDB):

- 1822                   1. If the leg is part of a navigation database terminal area  
1823                   procedure, the MagVar to be used is the PDMV for the  
1824                   procedure or individual procedure legs, when available.  
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1826                   2. If the leg is part of a navigation database terminal area  
1827                   procedure and the PDMV is not specified and a  
1828                   recommended VHF navaid magnetic declination exists for  
1829                   the leg, the MagVar to be used is the MagVar of record

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1830 for the airport or the recommended VHF navaid magnetic  
1831 declination of the leg.

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1835 3. If the leg is part of a navigation database terminal area  
1836 procedure and the PDMV is not specified and a  
1837 recommended VHF navaid magnetic declination does not  
1838 exist for the leg, the MagVar to be used is the MagVar of  
1839 record for the airport.

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1841 4. If the leg is not part of a procedure and the terminating fix  
1842 is a VOR, the MagVar to be used is the station declination  
1843 of the VOR.

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1845 5. If the leg is not part of a procedure and the terminating fix  
1846 is not a navaid, the MagVar to be used is defined by the  
1847 system using an internal model (See Section 9.5).

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1849 The system should have a means to accept an input or entry from the crew of the  
1850 selected heading reference (Magnetic or True). For a given leg, when a heading  
1851 reference has not been assigned in the navigation database, the leg bearing should  
1852 be displayed in the selected heading reference; when a heading reference has been  
1853 assigned, the leg bearing should be displayed in the assigned reference. The  
1854 system should provide an indication to the crew when the selected heading  
1855 reference differs from the (assigned) reference of the active leg.

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1857 Considerations to provide the crew with a timely reminder in advance  
1858 of a potential heading discrepancy are encouraged. Considerations  
1859 which allow the crew to specify the reference of bearing entries are  
1860 also encouraged.

1861 Refer to DO-283() for additional requirements and considerations.

#### 1862 4.3.2.5 Vertical Flight Planning

1863 Vertical flight planning consists of entry and deletion consists of specification of  
1864 altitude and speed and altitude constraints at waypoints (Section 4.3.2.5.2 and  
1865 4.3.2.5.3) as well as other parameters (listed below) which are used by the Vertical  
1866 Guidance, Trajectory Predictions, and Performance Calculations functions.

1867 including At, At or Above, At or Below, and Window constraints), step climbs,  
1868 (optional) step descents, (optional) cruise climb, tactical changes of speed and  
1869 altitude and winds at waypoints, and during descent.

1870 FacilitiesThe system should be provideprovided for entry and modification of the  
1871 following performance parameters: crew selection and entry of various performance  
1872 constraints:

- 1873 • Zero Fuel Weight (or Gross Weight)
- 1874 • Block Fuel
- 1875 • Cost Index



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- 1876 • [Cruise Altitude](#)
- 1877 • Climb Mode ([Section 4.3.4.1.1](#))
- 1878 • Cruise Mode ([Section 4.3.4.1.2](#))
- 1879 • Descent Mode ([Section 4.3.4.1.3](#))
- 1880 • Hold Pattern [Leg Time/Distance/Speed](#)
- 1881 • Airport [Speed Limit/Restriction](#)
- 1882 • Thrust Reduction Altitude/[Height](#)
- 1883 • Climb Acceleration Altitude/[Height](#)
- 1884 [Performance correction factors such as Drag](#)
- 1885 • [Factor and Fuel Flow Factor](#)
- 1886 • [Cost Index](#)
- 1887 • RTA [Waypoint](#), [Time](#), and [Time Tolerance](#) ([Section 4.3.3.2.4 &](#)
- 1888 [4.3.3.2.5](#))
- 1889 • Climb and [Descent Winds and Temperatures](#) ([Section 4.3.2.5.1](#))
- 1890 • Cruise [Wind at Waypoint](#) ([Section 4.3.2.5.1](#)) [Waypoint Winds/Temperatures](#)
- 1891 • [Temperature](#)
- 1892 • [Tropopause Altitude/Level](#)
- 1893 • [Destination QNH](#)
- 1894 • [Takeoff Derate\(s\)](#)
- 1895 • [Climb Derate](#)

All of these ~~items~~ parameters should be considered in [generating the trajectory predictions the vertical trajectory](#) and performance function computations.

The [system may provide for entry and modification of the following additional parameters](#) may also be considered in developing the vertical trajectory:

- 1901 • [Maneuver Margin](#)
- 1902 • [Min Cruise Time](#)
- 1903 • [Min Rate of Climb \(All-Engine - Max Climb thrust rating\)](#)
- 1904 • [Min Rate of Climb \(All-Engine - Max Cruise thrust rating\)](#)
- 1905 • [Min Rate of Climb \(Engine-Out - Max Continuous thrust rating\)](#)
- 1906 • [Drag Factor and Fuel Flow Factor](#)
- 1907 • [Anti-Ice Bands](#)
- 1908 • [Tropopause Altitude](#)
- 1909 • [Minimum](#)
- 1910 • [Optimal Step Climb Climb Size and Enterable Default](#)
- 1911 • [Preplanned Cruise Altitude Step\(s\)](#)
- 1912 • [Optimal Cruise Altitude Step\(s\)](#)
- 1913 • [Cruise-Climb Block Altitude \(Drift-Up Cruise\)](#)
- 1914 • [Preplanned Cruise Speed Changes](#)
- 1915 • [Multiple Cruise Winds at Waypoints](#) ([Section 4.3.2.5.1](#))

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- [Cruise Temperature at Waypoints \(Section 4.3.2.5.1\)](#)

[When supported, these parameters should be considered in the trajectory predictions and performance function computations.](#)

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## 4.3.2.5.1 Wind, Temperature, and Atmospheric Model

Wind and temperature may be entered via the MCDU or data link. The wind model for the climb [segment-phase](#) should be a set of wind magnitudes and bearings that are entered for different altitudes. The value at any altitude is then computed from these values and merged with the current sensed wind.

The temperature model for the climb [segment-phase](#) should be temperature values entered for different altitudes. The value at any altitude is then computed from these values and merged with the current sensed temperature.

Wind models for use in the cruise [segment-phase](#) should allow for the entry of [one or more](#) winds ([altitude](#), [magnitude](#), and [bearing](#)) at a waypoint: ~~a single value or multiple wind/altitude pairs~~. Systems should merge these entries with current winds obtained from sensor data in a method which gives a heavier weighting to sensed winds close to the aircraft.

[Temperature models for use in the cruise \[segment-phase\]\(#\) may allow for entry of a temperature and altitude at a waypoint or an ISA deviation at a waypoint. As a minimum, the system should allow for entry of a single cruise temperature or ISA deviation value that applies throughout cruise. Systems should merge these entries with current temperature \(ISA deviation\) obtained from sensor data in a method which gives a heavier weighting to sensed values close to the aircraft.](#)

~~The cruise temperature data may be entered associated with flight plan waypoints and/or as a single value that applies throughout the flight/cruise.~~

The wind model used for the descent [segment-phase](#) should be a set of wind magnitudes and bearings entered for different altitudes. The value at any altitude should then be computed from these values, and merged with the current sensed wind.

The temperature model for the descent [segment-phase](#) should be temperature values entered for different altitudes. The value at any altitude is then computed from these values and merged with the current sensed temperature.

~~A more advanced representation of wind data in the FMC is the use of a grid wind model which may be up to a four-dimensional definition of wind. The grid winds would not be tied to waypoints in the flight plan, but associated with latitude longitude regions similar to a magnetic variation model. It is expected that grid winds would only be uplinked and not manually entered.~~

Temperature should be based on the International Standard Atmosphere (ISA) with an offset ( $\Delta$ ISA) obtained from pilot entries or the actual sensed temperature. ~~The temperature data may be entered associated with flight plan waypoints or as a single value that applies throughout the flight.~~ Likewise, the tropopause altitude (altitude at which constant temperature begins) may be crew enterable (with 36,089 ft. as default).

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1961 The system should allow insertion of AT, AT or ABOVE, AT or BELOW, and  
 1962 WINDOW (i.e. both an AT or ABOVE and AT or BELOW) altitude constraints at  
 1963 waypoints in the flight plan. Waypoint altitude constraints may be inserted directly  
 1964 via crew entry or indirectly via selection of a procedure in the navigation database.  
 1965 The system should allow for entry and modification of WINDOW altitude constraints.

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1968 Historically, crew entry and modification of WINDOW altitude  
 1969 constraints was not possible on some systems. On such systems,  
 1970 WINDOW constraints could only be inserted via selection of a  
 1971 navigation database procedure. Per DO-23683(), the system is  
 1972 required to support crew entry of each type of altitude constraint.

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1974 The system should avoid automatic deletion of altitude constraints above cruise  
 1975 altitude.

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1978 Upon cruise altitude modification or procedure insertion, some  
 1979 systems will automatically delete altitude constraints that are above  
 1980 cruise altitude. This design has led to airline and ATC complaints as it  
 1981 is susceptible to order of operation and situational awareness issues.  
 1982 System designs where altitude constraints are retained and ignored  
 1983 and/or where altitude constraints are retained and the cruise altitude  
 1984 modified are preferable.

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1986 The system should designate altitude constraints as either CLIMB constraints or  
 1987 DESCENT constraints. The system should designate an altitude constraint on a  
 1988 waypoint in the departure or missed approach procedure as a CLIMB constraint.  
 1989 The system should designate an altitude constraint on a waypoint in the arrival or  
 1990 approach procedure as a DESCENT constraint. The system may incorporate  
 1991 additional rules to designate an altitude constraint as either a CLIMB or DESCENT  
 1992 constraint when the constraint is on a waypoint which is not part of a procedure  
 1993 listed above.

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1995 The system should apply CLIMB constraints to the takeoff and climb phases of flight  
 1996 in accordance with Table 4-1Table 4.3.2.5.2-1 below. The system should apply  
 1997 DESCENT constraints to the descent and approach phases of flight in accordance  
 1998 with Table 4-1Table 4.3.2.5.2-1 below. Table 4.3.2.5.2-1 Altitude Constraint  
 1999 Applicability

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Altitude Constraint Type	Altitude Constraint Phase/Applicability	
	CLIMB	DESCENT
AT or BELOW	Do not exceed PRIOR to and AT	Do not exceed AT and AFTER
AT or ABOVE	Do not go below AT and AFTER	Do not go below PRIOR to and AT
AT	Do not exceed PRIOR to, cross AT, do not go below AFTER	Do not go below PRIOR to, cross AT, do not exceed AFTER
WINDOW	Do not exceed upper bound PRIOR to and AT Do not go below lower bound AT and AFTER	Do not exceed upper bound AT and AFTER Do not go below lower bound PRIOR to and AT

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**Table 4-14.3.2.5.2-4 Altitude Constraint Applicability**

**COMMENTARY**

PRIOR to, AFTER, and AT in Table 4-14.3.2.5.2-4 refer to sequence of the waypoint with the altitude constraint.

The descent path is typically constructed using a series of straight line segments. For waypoints with a descent AT constraint, the descent path will typically cross at the specified altitude. When flown using the Vertical Guidance function, some systems may cross above or below the altitude constraint value due to a vertical fly-by transition. DO-236() and DO-283() defines the acceptable altitude deviation for a vertical fly-by transition.

Upon procedure selection, most systems combine common waypoints between departure, arrival, and/or approach segments. In rare situations, the altitude constraint coded in one procedure differs from the altitude constraint coded in the other procedure (e.g. STAR and APPROACH). When this occurs, systems may use different logic to meld the altitude constraints; however, upon subsequent selection by the crew of a different procedure (e.g. STAR or runway transition), the system should ensure the altitude constraint on the (former/current) common waypoint **always** originates from one of the currently selected navigation procedures (provided the crew did not modify the altitude constraint).

The system should provide a means to initiate a vertical direct-to, without affecting the lateral path definition, to a vertically constrained fix in descent, by deleting any altitude constraints prior to the vertical direct-to fix. The system should inhibit deletion of altitude constraints on waypoints which are part of the final approach (i.e. FAF, MAP/RW, and step-down fixes) via a vertical direct-to.

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This allows the aircraft to proceed from present altitude direct-to a specified altitude in the flight plan. When in climb, systems may or may not provide a means to delete all altitude constraints between the aircraft and a vertically constrained fix.

~~the altitude constraint on the common waypoint should be re-assessed.~~

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4.3.2.5.3 Waypoint Speed Constraints

The system should allow insertion of AT, AT or ABOVE, and AT or BELOW speed constraints at waypoints in the flight plan. Waypoint speed constraints may be inserted directly via crew entry or indirectly via selection of a procedure in the navigation database.

The system should designate speed constraints as either CLIMB constraints or DESCENT constraints. The system should designate a speed constraint on a waypoint in the departure or missed approach procedure as a CLIMB constraint. The system should designate a speed constraint on a waypoint in the arrival or approach procedure as a DESCENT constraint. The system may incorporate additional rules to designate a speed n altitude constraint as either a CLIMB or DESCENT constraint when the constraint is on a waypoint which is not part of a procedure listed above.

The system should apply CLIMB constraints to the takeoff and climb phases of flight in accordance with Table 4-2Table 4.3.2.5.3-1 below. The system should apply DESCENT constraints to the descent and approach phases of flight in accordance with Table 4-2Table 4.3.2.5.3-1 below.

Speed Constraint Type	Speed Constraint Phase/Applicability	
	CLIMB	DESCENT
AT or BELOW	Do not exceed PRIOR to and AT	Do not exceed AT and AFTER
AT or ABOVE	Do not go below AT and AFTER	Do not go below PRIOR to and AT
AT	Do not exceed PRIOR to, cross AT, do not go below AFTER	Do not go below PRIOR to, cross AT, do not exceed AFTER

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Table 4-24.3.2.5.3-1 Speed Constraint Applicability

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PRIOR to, AFTER, and AT in Table 4-2Table 4.3.2.5.3-1 refer to sequence of the waypoint with the altitude constraint.

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2066 In accordance with Table 4-2Table 4.3.2.5.3-1, the system should apply ABOVE  
 2067 climb speed constraints after sequence of the speed constraint waypoint until  
 2068 transition to the climb MACH or transition to cruise flight phase. The system should  
 2069 apply ABOVE descent speed constraints upon transition to the descent CAS (from  
 2070 the cruise flight phase or descent MACH) until sequence of the speed constraint  
 2071 waypoint.

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 2073 BELOW constraints may be applied in cruise flight phase in accordance with Table  
 2074 4-2Table 4.3.2.5.3-1. This is recommended for missed approach and low(er) cruise  
 2075 altitude scenarios where procedural waypoint speed constraints may operationally  
 2076 be encountered while in cruise.

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 2078 Upon procedure selection, most systems combine common waypoints between  
 2079 departure, arrival, and/or approach segments. In rare situations, the speed  
 2080 constraint coded in one procedure differs from the speed constraint coded in the  
 2081 other procedure (e.g. STAR and APPROACH). -When this occurs, systems may  
 2082 use different logic to select or meld the speed constraints; however, the system  
 2083 should ensure the speed constraint on the common waypoint always originates from  
 2084 one of the currently selected navigation procedures (provided the crew did not  
 2085 modify the speed constraint); however, upon subsequent selection by the crew of a  
 2086 different procedure (e.g. same approach with a new approach transition) where the  
 2087 common waypoint is retained, the system should ensure the speed constraint on  
 2088 the common waypoint originates from one of the currently selected navigation  
 2089 procedures (provided the crew did not modify the speed constraint).

2090 ~~— however, upon subsequent selection by the crew of a different procedure (e.g. STAR or~~  
 2091 ~~runway transition), the system should ensure the speed constraint on the~~  
 2092 ~~(former/current) common waypoint originated from the currently selected~~  
 2093 ~~navigation procedures.~~

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## 4.3.2.5.4 Temperature Compensation

2097 For Baro-VNAV approach operations, unless compensated for temperature, the  
 2098 system can only be used within the temperature limitations (if any) for temperature  
 2099 published on approach procedure charts. To enable baro-VNAV approach  
 2100 operations outside published temperature limits or operations in non-ISA  
 2101 temperature environments, the preferred method is for the system to correct for the  
 2102 effects of temperature on the barometric altitude upon crew entry of a destination  
 2103 temperature. Systems providing automatic temperature compensation to the baro-  
 2104 VNAV guidance must comply with DO-236() aAppendix H and DO-283() aAppendix  
 2105 H.

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2108 The barometric altimeter indication is influenced by temperature  
 2109 variations. During cold temperature operations (below ISA), the  
 2110 airplane's true altitude is lower than the indicated altitude. Similarly,

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during hot temperature operations (above ISA), the airplane's true altitude is higher than the indicated altitude. This results in an aircraft flying a vertical path angle shallower than (or steeper than for hot temperature) the designed vertical path angle (or gradient) without an indication in the flight deck.

Temperature compensation corrects altitude constraints and vertical angles to those intended by the procedure designer. When the aircraft flies the compensated altitudes, the aircraft is actually flying the intended descent/approach path. However, the indicated altitude will be different than the charted value.

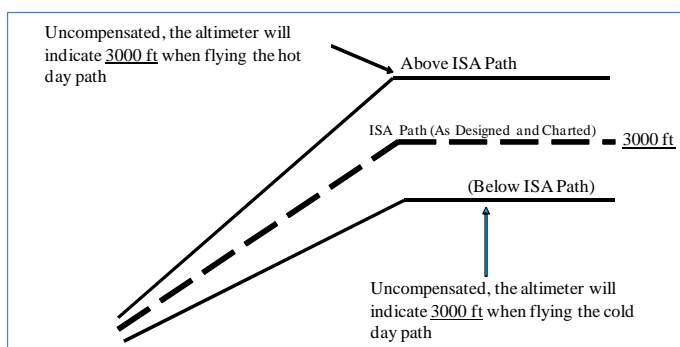


Figure 4.3.2-14.3.2-14.3.3-18 Temperature Effects on Altimetry

The system should use a flight crew-entered temperature and standard temperature lapse rate to compute altitude and flight path angle corrections accounting for the bias in the barometric altimetry system indications caused by deviations from ISA at the aerodrome's field elevation. The temperature compensation method used should be within 10% of the "accurate method" as described in DO-283(). These corrections should be applied, at a minimum, to the altitudes and flight path angles contained in any approach procedure selected from the navigation database from the initial approach fix (IAF) through the missed approach procedure up to and including the missed approach holding point (MAHP), and including altitude-terminated legs in the missed approach segment. For all approach types (including SBAS, GLS, ILS, MLS) temperature compensation should be applied to all segments where vertical guidance is dependent on barometric altimetry, including the FAF altitude.

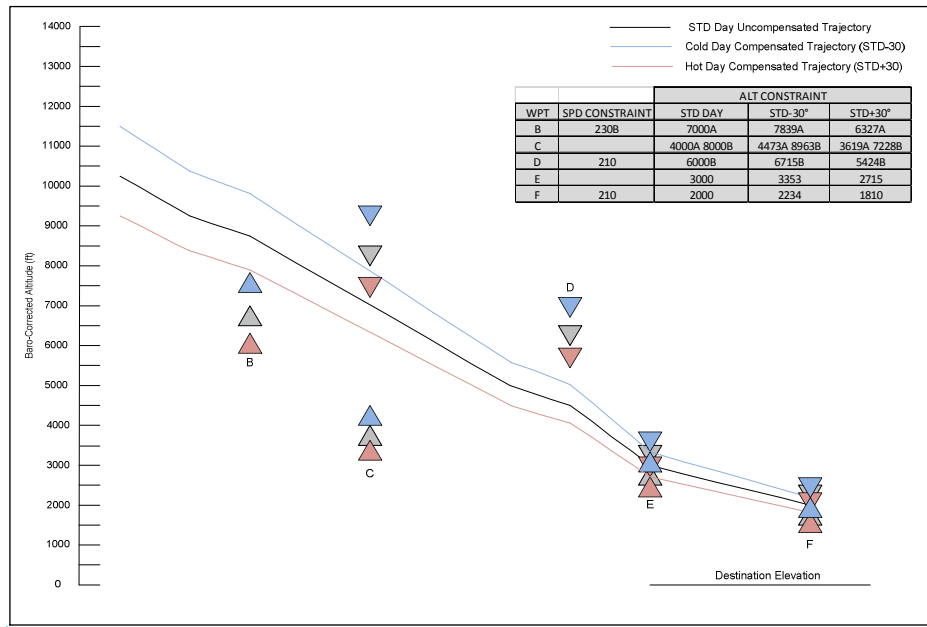
When temperature compensation has been applied, altitudes that are manually entered into a procedure by the flight crew should not be temperature compensated. The system should clearly differentiate the display of temperature compensated altitudes from uncompensated altitudes.

Since the MDA/DA is not an assigned altitude, this procedural altitude is eligible for temperature compensation. When the system loads the uncompensated MDA/DA

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2145 [from the database or the flight crew enters it, the system should provide a means to](#)  
 2146 [determine and display the temperature compensated MDA/DA.](#)  
 2147 [The system should respect all constraints in the uncompensated path while](#)  
 2148 [approaching the compensated path.](#) When temperature compensation adjusts the  
 2149 vertical path, the system should ensure that the path construction precludes the  
 2150 insertion of a climb path segment in a the descent path. This will typically apply  
 2151 when transitioning from a path segment based upon uncompensated fix altitudes to  
 2152 a path segment whose altitudes have been compensated for temperature. When  
 2153 temperature compensation results in such an altitude conflict, the system should  
 2154 provide an annunciation suitable to prompt flight crew action.

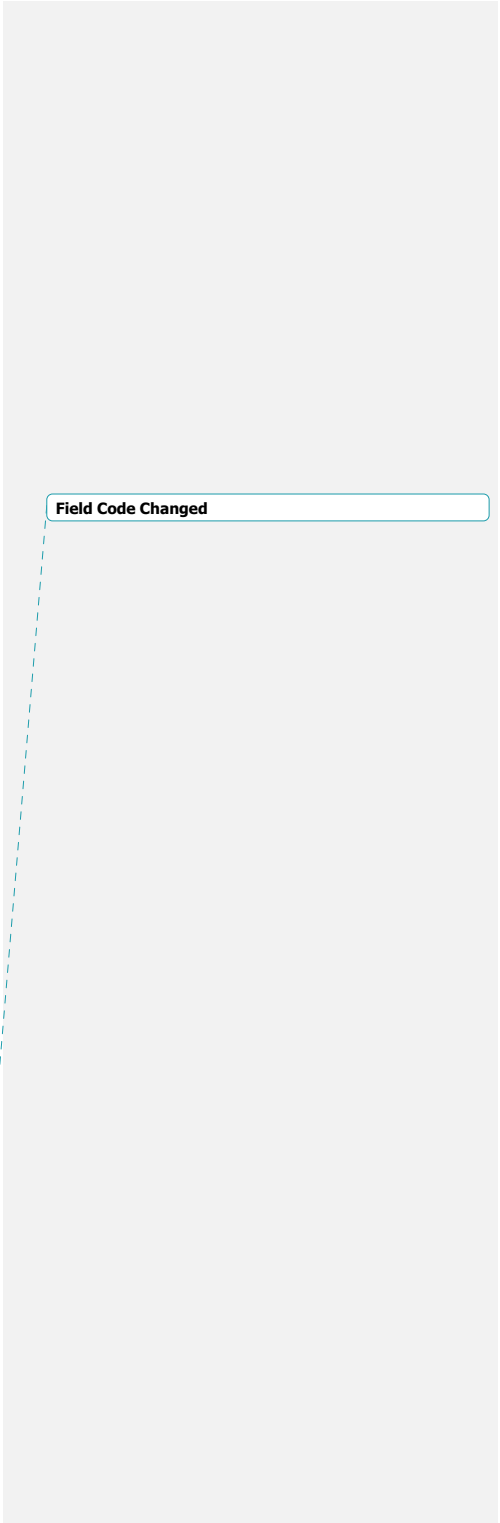
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 2158 **Figure 4.3.2-2: Temperature-Compensated Trajectory**

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 2160 [When an interface has not provisioned for output of both a compensated and](#)  
 2161 [uncompensated altitude constraint value, the compensated altitude constraint value](#)  
 2162 [should be output.](#)

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 2164 **COMMENTARY**



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2165 [The ACARS, Intent Bus, ADS-C EPP, and EFIS interfaces are all examples of](#)  
2166 [interfaces that output altitude constraint information.](#)

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2168 4.3.3 Lateral and Vertical [NavigationGuidance](#)

2169 The system should provide fully automatic, performance optimized, guidance along  
2170 two, three, or four-dimensional paths, defined by the sequence of waypoints  
2171 specified in the active flight plan. Lateral guidance requires an active flight plan.  
2172 Vertical guidance requires, as a minimum, an input of gross weight, cost index, and  
2173 cruise altitude. ATC constraints may be entered along the flight plan which in turn  
2174 will constrain the lateral and vertical flight paths. Guidance commands should be  
2175 generated and available to drive the Flight Control Computers.

2176 The integrated FMS should provide facilities for the crew to easily override the  
2177 current guidance commands (without amending the flight plan) for rapid response to  
2178 tactical situations. Some of the intervention overrides are:

- 2179 • Altitude target
- 2180 • Speed target
- 2181 • Course/Heading target
- 2182 • Vertical Speed target

2183 This temporary override should replace the applicable guidance output until the  
2184 override is terminated at which point the internally generated guidance commands  
2185 should resume.

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2187 Different autoflight system implementations may allocate these  
2188 intervention modes to the FMF, while others may accomplish these  
2189 modes through a combination of FMF and AFCS functions.

2190 4.3.3.1 Lateral [NavigationGuidance and Path Construction](#)

2191 The lateral guidance of the aircraft is performed using the position data derived by  
2192 the navigation function and a [guidance-lateral reference path](#). [For the active plan,](#)  
2193 [generated by the lateral guidance function.](#) The lateral [steering-guidance](#) function  
2194 generates a roll command based on the above data to guide the aircraft to [straight](#)  
2195 [geodesic](#) leg segments between entered waypoints and to transitional paths at the  
2196 leg intersections. [The roll commands generated are constrained by limits imposed](#)  
2197 [by ATC, the flight plan, the automatic flight control system, and operational flight](#)  
2198 [characteristics of the aircraft.](#) Special procedural paths such as holding patterns  
2199 [\(HM\)](#), procedure holds [\(HF\)](#), procedure turns [\(PI\)](#), [missed approach procedures,](#)  
2200 and lateral offset paths are automatically flown along with the transitional paths into  
2201 and out of these procedures.

2202 The aircraft's progress along each path segment is continually monitored to  
2203 determine when a path transition must be initiated. Direct-to guidance is also  
2204 available from the aircraft's present position to any waypoint or to intercept a course  
2205 to [or from](#) a waypoint to accommodate modified ATC clearances.

2206 [The FMS should support lateral guidance along a geodesic track between two](#)  
2207 [points without any geographical area restriction, including polar areas - north of 85N](#)  
2208 [and south of 85S.](#)

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Flying a specified course/heading, holding pattern, parallel offset or desired track change larger than 45 degrees is assumed not to be required in polar areas.

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~~4.3.3.1.1 LNAV guidance is provided for enroute, terminal, and approach area operations including Standard Instrument Departures (SIDs) and Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STARs), approaches, holding patterns, lateral offsets, procedure turns, Direct To a Waypoint, missed approaches, etc.~~

**4.3.3.1.2 Lateral Reference Path Construction**

The lateral function computes independent continuous lateral paths for all existing flight plans. This computation should be fully integrated with the vertical trajectory in that the turn conics should be based on the predicted speeds at the leg transitions. Proper construction for all ARINC 424 defined waypoint/leg types and the corresponding transitional paths between them should be generated and flown by the system.

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Altitude terminated legs are unique in that the termination criteria for the leg is based on altitude instead of a lateral location. This implies a further coupling to the vertical profile in the construction of the reference path for these leg types.

**4.3.3.1.3 Lateral Leg Transitions**

~~Leg-to-leg~~ transitions should provide for a continuous path between legs and generally should be determined by the course change between the legs, the type of next leg, waypoint overfly requirement, bank angle limitations, and the predicted speeds for the transition. Leg transition paths must be constructed within the airspace limitations specified in DO-283() ~~the RNP MASPS~~ for operation within RNP airspace.

When a lateral path transition cannot be constructed per the leg definition, the system should provide an indication to the crew.

There are three categories of turns recognized in ~~the RNP MASPS~~ DO-236() ~~DO-283()~~:

1. Fly-by turns- Subdivided into 2 categories, high altitude ( $\geq$ FL195) and low altitude ( $<$ FL195)
- ~~2. Fly-over turns—Specified as part of leg definition in the NDB, low altitude only ( $<$ FL195)~~
- 2.
3. Fixed radius transitions

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The RNP-MSPS-DO-283() assumes that course changes at a fly-by fix will not exceed 120 degrees for low altitude operation ( $<$ FL195) and 70 degrees for high altitude operation ( $\geq$ FL195). While this assumption is reasonable for a database-defined individual

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2252 procedure and enroute definitions, [flight crew modifications to the](#)  
 2253 [route may make this assumption impractical due to factors such as](#)  
 2254 [aircraft performance, course, change, and leg length, procedure](#)  
 2255 [linking and editing make this assumption unenforceable.](#)

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2257 [4.3.3.1.2.1 Fly-By Turns](#)

2258 [DO-283\(\)](#) provides the requirements for the fly-by leg transition. [DO-283\(\)](#) relates  
 2259 the radius of the turn to ground speed and bank angle and ~~gives results in a~~  
 2260 [theoretical transition area within which the aircraft should remain throughout the](#)  
 2261 [turn. Remaining within the transition area is dependent upon the course change](#)  
 2262 [assumptions noted above and the area may not apply if the course change is](#)  
 2263 [exceeded. In such exceedance cases, the path to be flown should be displayed to](#)  
 2264 [the flight crew. For normal \(i.e. course changes less than 135 degrees\) fly-by](#)  
 2265 [transitions \(i.e. course changes less than 135 degrees\), the fix should sequence at](#)  
 2266 [the lateral bisector.](#)

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2269 When situations are encountered outside the ~~see~~ [DO-283\(\)](#)  
 2270 assumptions [noted above](#), the following guidelines are offered:

2271 For fly-by turns with track changes less than 135 degrees, a circular  
 2272 transition path should be constructed tangential to the current and the  
 2273 next legs. The leg transition should occur at the bisector. ~~If the~~  
 2274 ~~airspace limitation requirements for fly-by turns cannot be met, then~~  
 2275 ~~the crew should be informed that this condition exists.~~ For track  
 2276 changes greater than 135 degrees, a circular path should be  
 2277 constructed to be tangential to the current leg and a line normal to the  
 2278 current leg emanating from the waypoint. This path should be  
 2279 extended to provide a 40- to 50-degree intercept to the next leg. ~~This~~  
 2280 ~~construction is similar to fly-over turns. The crew should be informed~~  
 2281 ~~if this construction is used for a fly-by turn.~~

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[See Figure 4.3.3-1 below.](#)

2283 [The fly-by leg transition reduces track miles while also enhancing ride](#)  
 2284 [quality. However, enroute air traffic controllers have noted that some](#)  
 2285 [aircraft begin the turn initiation earlier than expected and in some](#)  
 2286 [cases have conflicted with other traffic. The criteria specified in DO-](#)  
 2287 [283\(\)](#) are minimum requirements and can result in a [generous](#)  
 2288 [theoretical transition area. It is recommended that equipment](#)  
 2289 [manufacturers give ample consideration to airspace consumption](#)  
 2290 [when selecting nominal bank angles.](#)

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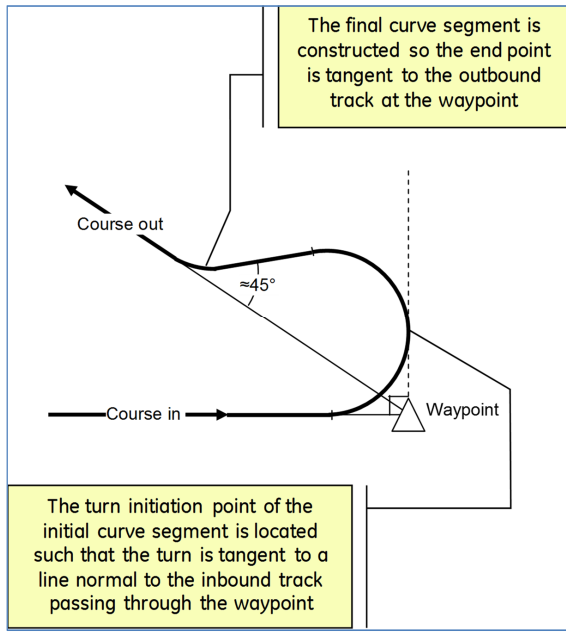


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4.3.3.1.2.2 Fly-Over Turns

When a fly-over waypoint is specified, the leg transition should occur at the waypoint prior to transitioning to the next leg. For fly-over waypoints, the next leg type should define the transition path. When the fly-over waypoint is sequenced, the lateral guidance function should command an intercept to capture the next leg. The intercept should be based upon aircraft performance and geometry parameters such as ground speed, leg length, and bank angle limitations.

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For RNP operations, DO-283() discourages the use of fly-over waypoints since the subsequent path is not repeatable and airspace protection cannot follow the RNP containment cannot be assured concept. If fly-over transitions are used, for example at the missed approach point, the leg following the fly-over fix is assumed not to have the requirements of RNP applied to it. It is recognized, however, that some terminal area operations may require the use of fly-over waypoints followed by a defined leg to the next waypoint.

For fly over waypoints, the next leg should define the transition path. All leg transitions should occur at the fix which is overflow prior to transitioning to the next

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2314 ~~leg. If the airspace limitation requirements for fly-over turns cannot be met, then the~~  
2315 ~~crew should be informed that this condition exists.~~

2316 In all cases the turn transition conics should be constructed so that the resulting  
2317 trajectory is flyable by the aircraft.

**4.3.3.1.2.3 Fix Radius Transitions (FRT)**

2319 The FRT is intended to define a fixed radius transition path between airway legs in  
2320 the enroute sector when parallel routes are closely spaced at the transition waypoint  
2321 and the fly-by turn is not compatible with separation criteria. DO-283() specifies the  
2322 geometry and method of computing the fixed turn radius. The FRT is defined in  
2323 terms of the track change, turn radius, and lead distance. For those enroute airways  
2324 using an FRT, the turn radius is coded in the ARINC 424 navigation database for  
2325 the respective airway where the FRT is specified.

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2328 ICAO Doc 9613; *Performance-Based Navigation Manual*, lists two  
2329 possible radii, 22.5 NM for high altitude routes ( $\geq$ FL 195) and 15 NM  
2330 for low altitude routes. Although these radii are suggested and the  
2331 actual radii coded in the navigation database could vary, it is  
2332 expected that airspace designers will abide by these guidelines so  
2333 that aircraft bank angle limitations in current systems will be  
2334 respected.

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2337 **4.3.3.1.4.3.3.1.3 Special Lateral Path Construction**

2338 All procedural paths such as hold patterns, procedure turns and procedure holds  
2339 should be continuous paths that allow accurate reference paths to be ~~done~~  
2340 ~~constructed~~ for the complete flight plan. The construction of these paths must meet  
2341 the airspace limitation and path geometry requirements specified in ~~DO-236()~~~~the~~  
2342 ~~RNP-MASPS~~.

2343 For hold pattern entries, these paths contain all the ~~straight geodesic~~ and curved  
2344 segments of the entry (including transition from the prior leg) and may optionally be  
2345 displayed on the ~~EFIS-ND~~ before ~~and during~~ the entry maneuvers. After the entry is  
2346 complete, subsequent path updates should account for changes in airspeed, wind  
2347 speeds and altitude of the airplane. Hold entry paths must conform to the airspace  
2348 limitations specified in ~~DO-236()~~~~RNP-MASPS~~.

2349 For holding pattern exits which require a sequence of the hold fix, the lateral path  
2350 should be updated to include the appropriate fly-by transition to the following leg  
2351 and the paths must conform to the airspace limitations specified in ~~DO-236()~~~~RNP~~  
2352 ~~MASPS~~ for hold exits. For other holding pattern exits (e.g., a direct-to) the lateral  
2353 path should be updated accordingly, without a return to the hold fix, and should  
2354 comply with airspace limitations specified in RNP MASPS for those types of  
2355 maneuvers.

2356 Similar path construction and path prediction techniques are used when procedure  
2357 turns and procedure holds are part of the flight plan.

2358 **4.3.3.1.4.3.3.1.4 Autopilot Lateral Guidance Roll Command**

2359 Based on the aircraft current state provided by the navigation function and the  
2360 stored reference path, lateral guidance should ~~produce~~~~compute~~ a roll steering  
2361 command ~~to the autopilot~~ that is both magnitude and rate limited. This roll command  
2362 is computed to ~~capture and~~ track the ~~straight geodesic~~ and curved path segments  
2363 that comprise the reference path as displayed on the ~~EFISND~~.

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2365 **4.3.3.1.4.3.3.1.5 Lateral Guidance Output Parameters Lateral Path Reference Displays**

2366 Besides generating the roll command, the ~~lateral guidance/lateral steering~~ function  
2367 should ~~also provide~~~~compute and output the following parameter~~~~s~~~~outputs~~ related ~~ing~~  
2368 to the ~~active flight plan~~ various flight plans for display on the MCDU and the  
2369 Horizontal Situation Indicator (HSI)/EFIS. Some of these outputs may include:

- 2370 • ~~Roll command~~
- 2371 • Distance to go (active waypoint)
- 2372 • ~~Bearing to go (active waypoint)~~
- 2373 • ~~Desired Track~~Commanded course with respect to the leg being flown
- 2374 **4.3.3.1.7 Downstream leg distances and courses**
- 2375 • ~~Track angle and track angle error~~
- 2376 • ~~Cross track error~~
- 2377 • ~~Track angle error~~
- 2378 • ~~Bearings to various waypoints~~
- 2379 • ~~Lateral track change alert indicators~~

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- This function also supplies data in the form of a complete lateral path to the EFIS such that the flight plan can be displayed in its entirety as defined in Section 7.

#### 4.3.3.1.84.3.3.1.6 Lateral Capture Path Construction

At engagement, a capture path ~~should~~ may be constructed that guides the airplane to the active leg. This capture path should capture the active guidance leg such that smooth path acquisition occurs without excessive roll activity or turns in the wrong direction.

#### 4.3.3.1.94.3.3.1.7 Localizer/MLS Capture

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#### 4.3.3.1.8 Earth Reference Model

A WGS-84 based earth model is the standard reference earth model. If geodesic path definition based on WGS-84 is not employed (e.g. spherical earth model), any differences between the selected earth reference model and the WGS-84 earth model must be included as part as the path definition error.

Refer to DO-236() and/or DO-283() for additional details.

#### ~~4.3.3.2~~

#### ~~4.3.3.34.3.3.2 Vertical Navigation Guidance and Trajectory Predictions~~

~~The vertical function should facilitate vertical navigation to a computed aircraft trajectory that includes all phases of flight. This should be accomplished by providing to the crew, the information necessary for them to monitor and control the aircraft vertically as it progresses along the lateral path defined by the flight plan, and (in the case where managed vertical control is selected), providing the flight control computer with the vertical guidance control targets and commands necessary for it to control the aircraft to the flight management computed trajectory.~~

#### ~~4.3.3.3.1~~

#### ~~4.3.3.3.24.3.3.2.1 Trajectory Predictions~~

~~The Trajectory Predictions function computes and stores a 4D trajectory which represents a prediction of the aircraft state (e.g. distance, altitude, distance, airspeed, fuel, time) at various points in the flight plan which is used for display and downlink. Trajectory Predictions also computes a reference descent and approach trajectory which is used by Vertical Guidance for control in descent and approach.~~

~~The system should compute a complete aircraft trajectory prediction along the specified lateral route. When in preflight and a destination exists in the flight plan, the trajectory should include a takeoff segment, a climb segment, a cruise segment which may include cruise altitude changes (cruise steps), a descent segment, and an approach segment to the destination. When enroute, the trajectory should include segments for the remaining phases of flight. The trajectory may include predictions of the missed approach when included in the flight plan. The trajectory should be continuous from the departure airport (or present position if enroute) to the destination airport. The takeoff, climb, and cruise segments should be a prediction (i.e. model) of how LNAV lateral guidance and VNAV vertical guidance will~~

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2424 [guide the aircraft from present position along the specified route toward the cruise](#)  
2425 [altitude. The descent and approach segments should be defined in two parts: \(a\) a](#)  
2426 [reference descent and approach path that defines a Top of Descent location as well](#)  
2427 [as reference altitudes and airspeeds for all points between Top of Descent and the](#)  
2428 [destination and \(b\) a prediction of how VNAV will guide the aircraft to acquire and](#)  
2429 [track this descent and approach reference path \(both altitude and airspeed\) once](#)  
2430 [the aircraft is in descent or approach.](#)

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2433 [The descent/approach may be thought of as two separate](#)  
2434 [trajectories, one which is a reference and defines \*path\* altitudes and](#)  
2435 [speeds \(i.e. where the aircraft should be\) and one which is a](#)  
2436 [prediction based on the aircraft present position and defines](#)  
2437 [predicted altitudes and speeds \(i.e. where the aircraft will be if](#)  
2438 [prediction assumptions are valid\). It should be noted that some](#)  
2439 [systems display the predicted descent altitudes and speeds while](#)  
2440 [others display the reference path altitudes and speeds.](#)

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2442 [The system should compute a vertical trajectory for the following flight plans:](#)

- 2443 • [Active](#)
- 2444 • [Modified](#)
- 2445 • [Secondary](#)

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2447 [For each point in the vertical trajectory predictions, the following data should be](#)  
2448 [computed, stored, and made available to other functions:](#)

- 2449 • [Predicted Altitude](#)
- 2450 • [Predicted Speed](#)
- 2451 • [Estimated Time of Arrival \(ETA\) or Estimated Time Enroute \(ETE\)](#)
- 2452 • [Predicted Fuel Remaining](#)

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2454 [Refer to Section \[4.3.3.2.3\]\(#\) for accuracy requirements related to the ETA.](#)

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2456 [In addition, for each point between Top of Descent and the destination \(inclusive\),](#)  
2457 [the following data should be computed, stored, and made available to other](#)  
2458 [functions:](#)

- 2459 • [Reference Path Altitude](#)
- 2460 • [Reference Path Speed](#)

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2462 [The vertical trajectory predictions should include points at:](#)

- 2463 • [the lateral sequence point of each waypoint in the primary flight plan](#)
- 2464 • [speed change points \(start and end of an acceleration/deceleration\)](#)



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- 2465 • [Crossover Altitude](#)
- 2466 • [Top of Climb](#)
- 2467 • [Step Climb](#)
- 2468 • [End of Descent](#)
- 2469 • [Top of Descent](#)
- 2470 • [Level-Off Start](#)
- 2471 • [Level-Off End](#)[Intermediate Level-Offs](#)
- 2472 • [Descent Path Intercept Point \(when off-path in descent\)](#)

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2475 [The above points are the minimum required to support display and](#)  
 2476 [datalink requirements including ADS-C Extended Projected Profile.](#)  
 2477 [Additional points may be necessary to support specific capabilities or](#)  
 2478 [to obtain a desired accuracy via linear interpolation at any arbitrary](#)  
 2479 [point in the vertical trajectory.](#)

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 2481 [The vertical trajectory predictions should be based on the following inputs:](#)

- 2482 • [Lateral flight plan elements \(Section 4.3.2.4\)](#)
- 2483 • [Vertical flight plan elements \(Section ~~04.3.2.5~~\)](#)
- 2484 • [Measured and forecast winds/temperatures \(Section 4.3.2.5.1\)](#)
- 2485 • [Lateral path including curved transitions between legs, holding pattern](#)  
 2486 [entries and lateral offsets \(Section 4.3.3.1\)](#)
- 2487 • [Models of the airframe lift and drag characteristics](#)
- 2488 • [Models of airframe speed and altitude limitations \(e.g. stall, buffet, VMO,](#)  
 2489 [MMO\)](#)
- 2490 • [Models of the engine thrust and fuel flow characteristics](#)
- 2491 • [Aircraft weight and center of gravity](#)
- 2492 • [Crew selected and preselected guidance modes](#)

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 2494 [The vertical trajectory predictions should be updated when an edit is made to a](#)  
 2495 [flight plan element or other input into vertical trajectory predictions. Refer to Section](#)  
 2496 [3.4.2 for specific response time requirements related to these modifications.](#)

2497 [The vertical trajectory predictions should be updated on a periodic basis to account](#)  
 2498 [for tactical interventions as well as wind, temperature, and other modeling errors.](#)

2499 [The vertical trajectory should be integrated with the lateral trajectory such that the](#)  
 2500 [climb rate and lateral leg distances used to compute the vertical trajectory account](#)  
 2501 [for smooth \(curved\) transitions between lateral legs.](#)

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The above requirement is not intended to preclude assumptions in the vertical trajectory when lateral discontinuities and manually terminated legs (i.e. HM, VM, and FM legs) are encountered in the flight plan. In these situations, the lateral trajectory is ill-defined and the vertical and lateral trajectory assumptions may differ in order to provide a more reasonable prediction of destination time and fuel. Users of 3D/4D trajectory information should keep these scenarios in mind when using the trajectory information and designing interfaces.

The vertical predictions should comply with all waypoint altitude and speed constraints as specified in Sections 4.3.2.5.2 and 4.3.2.5.3. When this is not possible due to aircraft performance or a conflict in the constraints, appropriate indications should be provided to inform the crew of the specific issue. As with vertical guidance, vertical trajectory predictions should prevent a descending maneuver in a climbing segment in order to satisfy a climb altitude constraint. Likewise, it should prevent an ascending maneuver in a descending segment in order to satisfy a descent altitude constraint. Similarly, vertical predictions should produce a speed profile that is monotonic during a single phase of flight in the presence of speed constraints. The predicted speed profile should remain within the operating envelope of the specific aircraft. It should take into account ~~the~~ aircraft/engine performance, flap configuration changes, selected speed schedules, and speed constraints/limits. The trajectory predictions and associated advisories should be consistent with ~~the~~ vertical guidance when the vertical guidance function is engaged.

Refer to ~~DO-236()~~ and DO-283() for specific VNAV performance and operational requirements.

4.3.3.2.1.1 Takeoff Phase Predictions

The takeoff phase may be constructed based on a simple model or more complex first principle models using takeoff thrust, flap setting and other vertical flight plan parameters including derated takeoff off thrust, thrust reduction height/altitude and acceleration height/altitude. The takeoff model should support the overall accuracy requirements and system level advisories.

Refer to Climb Phase Predictions for an example of a typical takeoff segment.



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2543 4.3.3.2.1.2 Climb Phase Predictions

2544 The climb phase is typically predicted based on climb thrust, which may be a  
2545 derated and/or noise abatement climb thrust, and a speed schedule for optimized  
2546 operations. When constraints are encountered as part of the vertical flight plan,  
2547 these constraints take precedence over the optimal climb profile. Waypoint altitude  
2548 constraints are referenced to baro altitude. Predictions may assume a transition to  
2549 STD pressure at the transition altitude. AT or BELOW and AT altitude constraints  
2550 apply as an upper limit altitude before the associated waypoint. AT or ABOVE and  
2551 AT altitude constraints apply as a lower limit altitude after the associated waypoint.  
2552 Similarly, waypoint speed constraints are referenced to calibrated airspeed and  
2553 apply as an upper and/or lower speed limit. AT or BELOW and AT waypoint speed  
2554 constraints apply as an upper speed limit before the associated waypoint. AT or  
2555 ABOVE and AT waypoint speed constraints apply as a lower speed limit after the  
2556 associated waypoint until climb mach is achieved or cruise altitude is captured. A  
2557 series of identical “AT” speed constraints forms a constant speed segment in the  
2558 climb speed profile. Altitude associated speed ~~restrictions~~limits are referenced to  
2559 calibrated airspeed and apply below the specified altitude.

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2561 Figure 4.3.3-2 depicts an example of a climb phase prediction.

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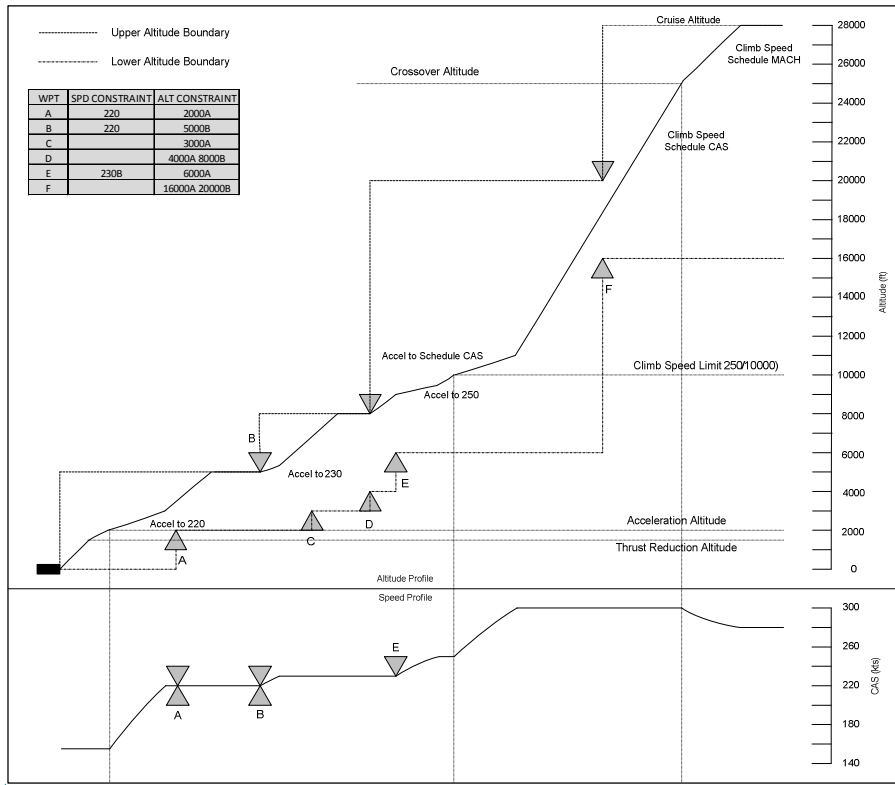


Figure 4.3.3-24.3.3-24.3.3-2 Climb Phase Prediction Example

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In this example, the predicted climb profile, which is based on the selected climb thrust limits and climb speeds, meets all the ABOVE altitude constraints. However, factors such as aircraft characteristics and actual wind conditions may cause an ABOVE altitude constraint violation. If an ABOVE altitude constraint cannot be satisfied with the selected thrust limits and climb speeds, the crew should be informed of the situation prior to committing to the procedure so a different thrust/speed climb can be attempted. It is assumed that procedure designers will take aircraft performance and meteorological variation into account in the design of departure procedures. It is highly desirable to impose as few constraints and/or ATC interventions as is possible during a departure so the aircraft can perform a Continuous Climb Departure (CCD) for fuel/time efficient climb operation.

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2581	<b>4.3.3.2.1.3 Cruise Phase Predictions</b>
2582	The cruise phase is typically predicted based on an optimal speed profile at a
2583	specified cruise altitude. When a step climb is active or the aircraft is in cruise below
2584	the cruise altitude, the system should predict a climb to cruise altitude assuming
2585	engagement of the vertical guidance function. Likewise, when a step descent is
2586	active or the aircraft is in cruise above the cruise altitude, the system should predict
2587	a descent to cruise altitude assuming engagement of the vertical guidance function.
2588	The system may provide for one or more preplanned and/or optimal cruise steps.
2589	Preplanned cruise steps may be a climb/descent at a specified waypoint or an
2590	optimal step where the system determines the optimal location and/or altitude to
2591	change cruise altitude. Similarly, the system may provide for a drift up cruise
2592	capability (“cruise/climb mode” in ARINC 660B) which allows the system to perform
2593	a drift up maneuver within a specified altitude block to better achieve optimal
2594	operation as fuel is burned off and aircraft weight decreases. When present, these
2595	preplanned maneuvers should be reflected in the cruise predictions.
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2597	The cruise speed is based on the selected cruise performance mode. When an
2598	active RTA exists in the flight plan, the cruise speed profile should reflect the
2599	speeds that will be flown in an attempt to achieve the RTA. Similar to preplanned
2600	cruise steps, the system may provide for one or more preplanned cruise speed or
2601	performance mode changes (e.g. constant mach segments). When present, these
2602	preplanned cruise speed changes should be reflected in the cruise predictions.
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2604	The system should provide an indication when a destination exists in the flight plan
2605	and predictions determine the cruise altitude is unachievable due to aircraft
2606	performance limitations and/or insufficient route distance.
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2608	<b>4.3.3.2.1.4 Descent Phase Path Construction and Predictions</b>
2609	For the descent phase, the system should construct a reference descent path that
2610	vertical guidance can use as a target path. During the descent phase, tactical
2611	situations may divert the aircraft from the descent reference path, so the system
2612	should provide vertical predictions that model how vertical guidance will attempt to
2613	capture and track the reference path (altitude and speed).
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2615	<b>4.3.3.2.1.4.1 Descent Phase Path Construction</b>
2616	The descent path should be constructed based on idle or near idle thrust and a
2617	speed schedule for optimized operations. When altitude constraints are
2618	encountered in the vertical flight plan and the idle path does not satisfy one or more
2619	constraints, the constraints take precedence over the optimal descent profile and a
2620	geometric descent path constructed. The resultant vertical trajectory should be
2621	flyable by the aircraft. When this is not possible, appropriate indications should be
2622	provided. Waypoint altitude constraints are referenced to baro altitude and apply at
2623	the associated waypoint. A series of altitude constraints form a geometric boundary
2624	that the descent path must stay within beyond the first constrained waypoint,
2625	excluding small excursions for idle path decelerations (see Figure 3). Similarly,

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2626 waypoint speed constraints are referenced to calibrated airspeed and apply as an  
2627 upper and/or lower speed limit. AT or BELOW and AT waypoint speed constraints  
2628 apply as an upper speed limit after the associated waypoint. AT or ABOVE and AT  
2629 waypoint speed constraints apply as a lower speed limit before the associated  
2630 waypoint but do not apply to the descent mach and/or extend into the cruise phase.  
2631 A series of identical AT speed constraints forms a constant speed segment in the  
2632 descent speed profile. Altitude associated speed restrictions are referenced to  
2633 calibrated airspeed and apply below the specified altitude. To honor these  
2634 constraints, the vertical path must anticipate the altitude/speed constraint prior to  
2635 reaching the associated waypoint/altitude.

2636 When conflicts exist between different types of constraints or the aircraft  
2637 performance cannot satisfy all constraints, the descent path construction should  
2638 give priority to one constraint over another as follows:

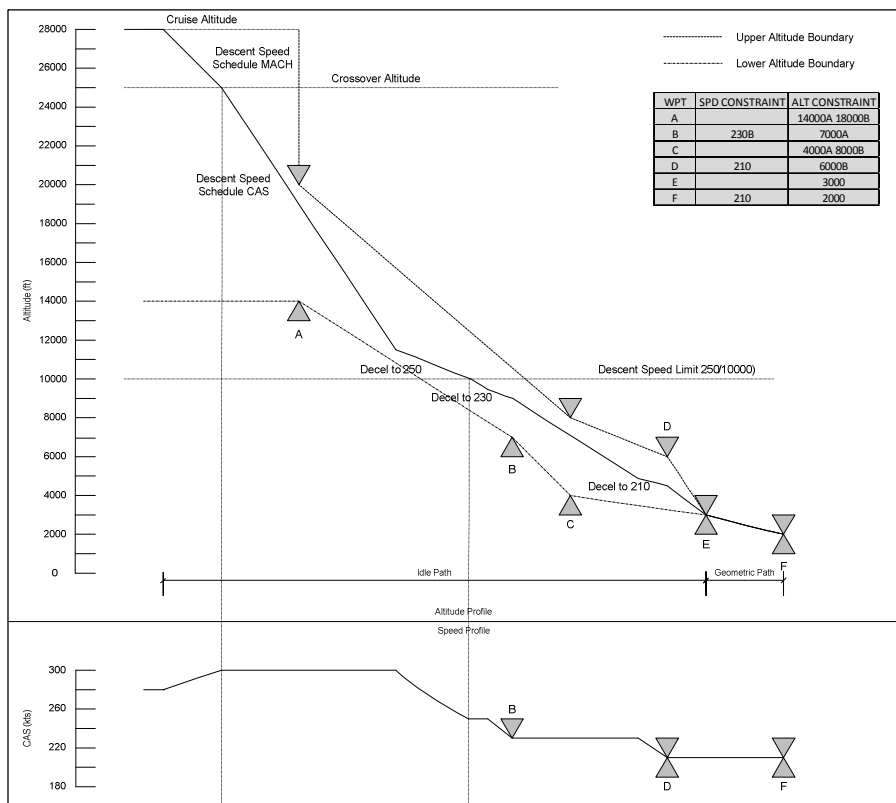
- 2639 1. Altitude constraints
- 2640 2. Vertical angle (FPA) constraints
- 2641 3. Speed constraints
- 2642 Time constraints (RTA)
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2645 A conflict between an altitude constraint and an FPA constraint can  
2646 only exist for an ABOVE altitude constraint. In the case of a BELOW  
2647 constraint, a level segment should be inserted to satisfy both  
2648 constraints (see [Figure 4.3.3-9](#)). An altitude constraint should never  
2649 cause construction of the vertical path for the leg to be shallower than  
2650 the FPA constraint. The above requirement does not preclude  
2651 insertion of a vertical discontinuity as a means to ensure some  
2652 measure of speed control and/or minimum deceleration capability.

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2654 [Figure 4.3.3-3](#) depicts an example of a descent path construction.  
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Figure 4.3.3-34.3.3-34.3.3-3 Descent Path Construction Example #1

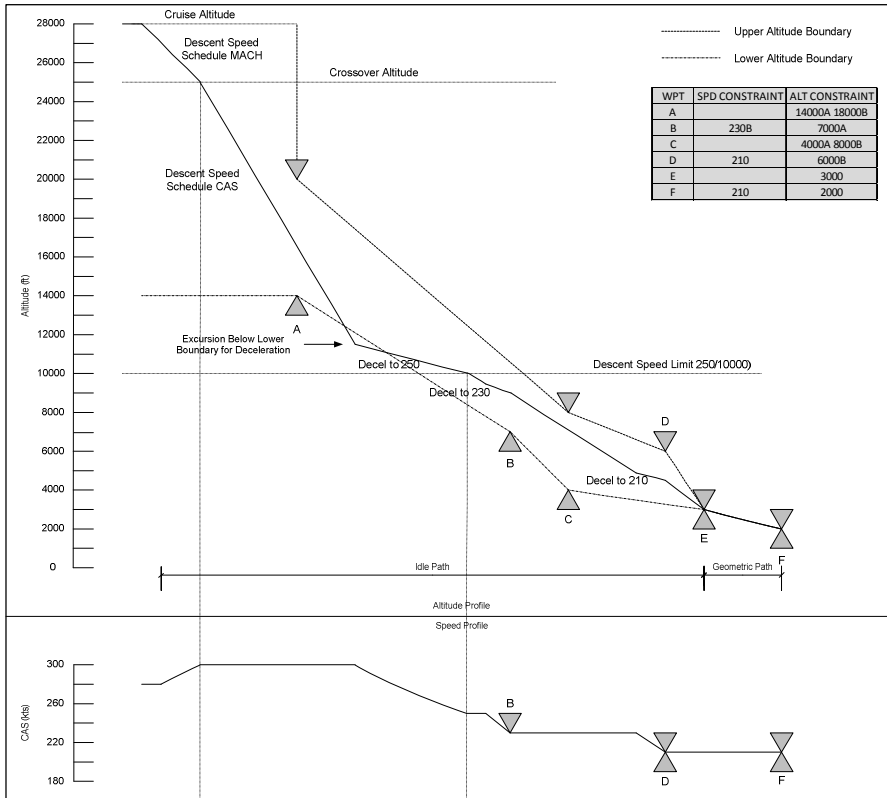
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In this example, the descent path fits within the constraint boundaries. There may be procedures or conditions where the descent path follows a boundary. In some cases, factors such as aircraft characteristics and meteorological conditions may dictate if a descent path is flyable (per the rules) for a given aircraft on a given day. When a continuous, flyable descent path which satisfies all constraints cannot be constructed, the system should provide appropriate indications to the crew. It is assumed that procedure designers will take aircraft performance and meteorological variation into account in the design of arrival procedures. It is highly desirable to impose as few constraints and/or ATC interventions as is possible

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during an arrival so the aircraft can perform a Continuous Descent Operation (CDO) for fuel/time efficient descent operation.

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Figure 4.3.3-4.3.3-4 Descent Path Construction Example #2

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In this example, a shallow idle deceleration segment is constructed to facilitate a short, efficient deceleration to the descent speed limit. Per DO-283(), to facilitate decelerations within curvilinear (idle) paths, small excursions below the lower altitude boundary are allowed and expected when an idle path is constructed to satisfy a series of AT or BELOW, AT or ABOVE, and WINDOW constraints. Excursions below the lower altitude boundary for step-down or dive-and-drive descent path strategies (Figure 4.3.3-5) or above



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the upper altitude boundary for stay-high descent path strategies (Figure 4.3.3-6) are prohibited.

The descent path is typically constructed using a series of straight line segments which comply with the altitude boundary rules as described above. When the descent path is flown using the Vertical Guidance function, systems may cross above or below the altitude constraint value due to a vertical fly-by transition. DO-236() defines the acceptable altitude deviation for a vertical fly-by transition.

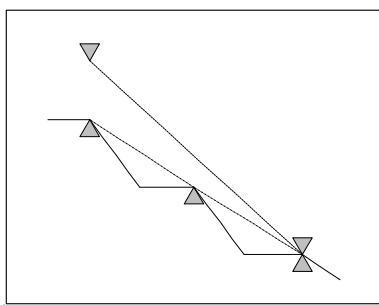


Figure 4.3.3-5 Step-Down Idle Descent (Prohibited)

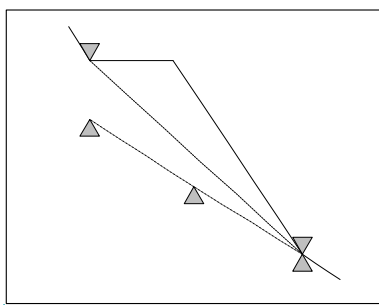


Figure 4.3.3-6 Stay-High Idle Descent (Prohibited)

The descent path is typically constructed using a series of straight line segments which comply with the altitude boundary rules as described above. When the descent path is flown using the Vertical Guidance function, systems may cross above or below the altitude constraint value due to a vertical fly-by transition. DO-236(83) defines the acceptable altitude deviation for a vertical fly-by transition.

When the crew initiates a vertical direct-to to a vertically constrained fix in descent, the system should construct a geometric descent path from the aircraft position to the vertically constrained fix.

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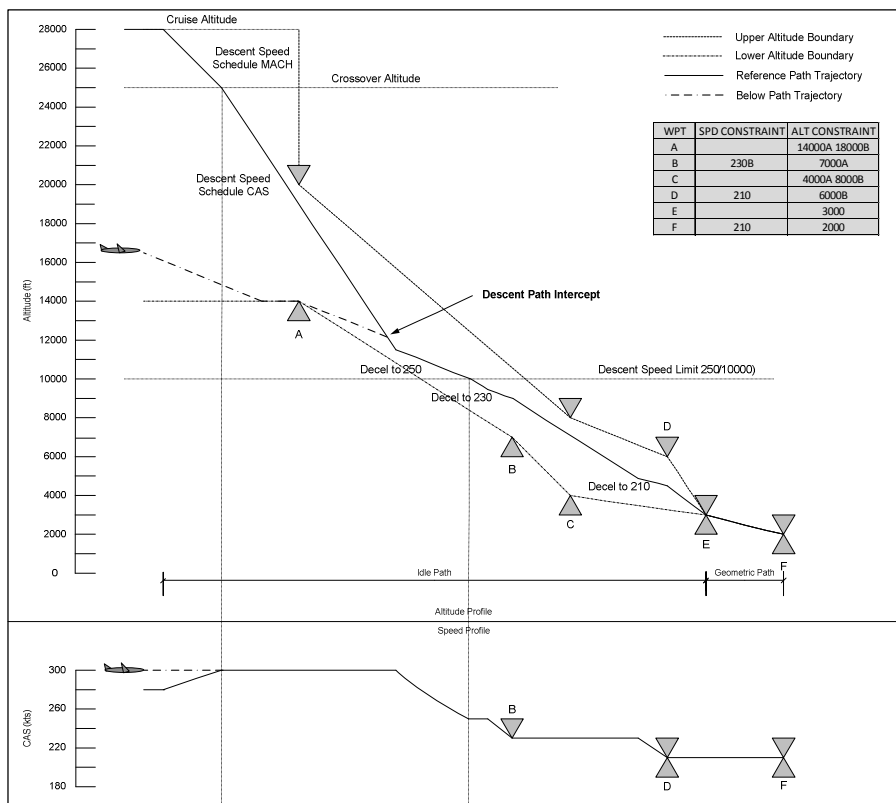
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The above requirement is not intended to take precedence over normal geometric path construction rules. In other words, the system is not required to build an unflyable descent path nor one that violates a vertical angle constraint.

**4.3.3.2.1.4.2 Descent Phase Predictions**

During the descent phase, situations may arise such as not being cleared to descend at the predicted top of descent, being instructed to descend prior to the top of descent, unforecasted meteorological conditions and flight plan edits can which divert the aircraft from the desired reference path/speed profile. These include: not being cleared to descend at the predicted top of descent, being instructed to descend prior to the top of descent, unforecasted meteorological conditions and flight plan edits. The system should provide vertical predictions (altitude, speed, ETATime, and fuel) that model how vertical guidance will attempt to capture and track the descent reference path. These predictions should be available for display and datalink in order to support situational awareness and advisories to the crew. When descent predictions determine that a constraint will be violated, appropriate indications should be given to the crew.

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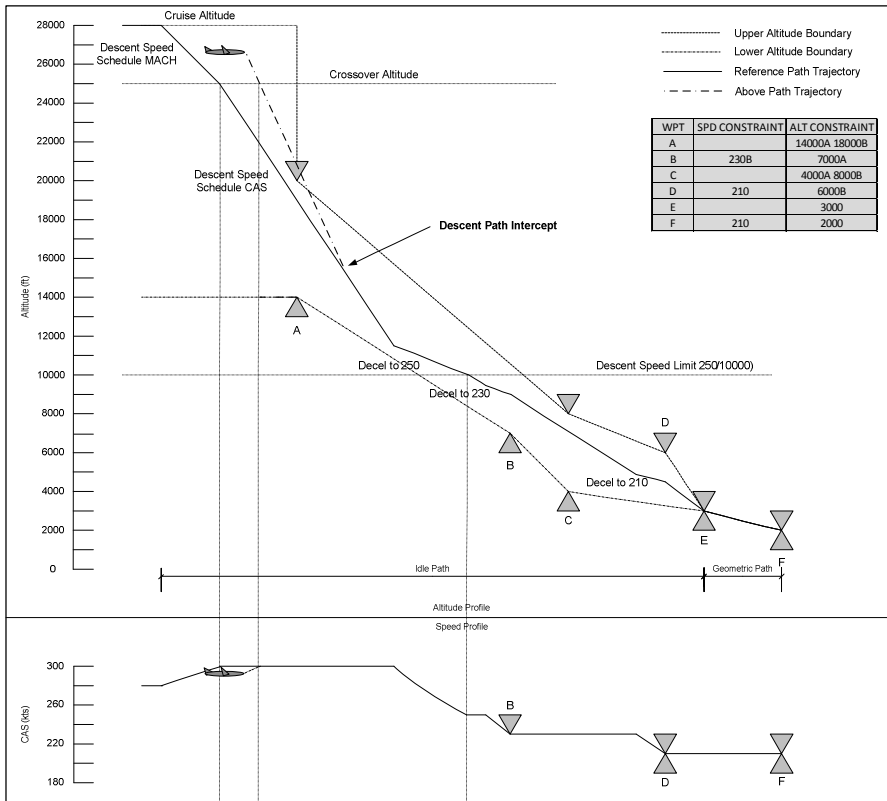
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Figure 4.3.3-74.3.3-7 Below-Path Descent Prediction Example

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In this descent scenario, predictions model the vertical guidance below-path descent control strategy. A level-off is performed at 14000 feet to honor the ABOVE altitude constraint at WPT A. Upon sequence of WPT A, a partial power descent resumes until intercept of the descent reference path.

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Figure 4.3.3-84.3.3-84.3.3-8 Above-Path Descent Prediction Example

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In this descent scenario, predictions assume vertical guidance will attempt to recapture the descent reference path by descending steeper than the planned descent rate. The above-path descent predictions predict the aircraft will cross WPT A at 19000 feet and violate the 18000 BELOW constraint.

**4.3.3.2.1.5 Approach Phase Path Construction and Predictions**

Similar to descent phase, the system should construct an approach path for use by vertical guidance as a reference or target path. As with takeoff, the approach path may be constructed using a simple model or more complex first principle models using idle thrust, aeroconfiguration setting, and other vertical flight plan parameters.

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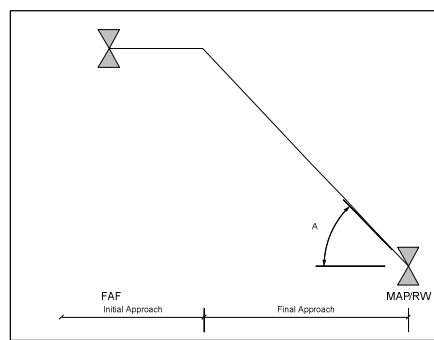
2757 The approach model should support the overall accuracy requirements and system  
2758 level advisories.

2759 During approach phase, tactical situations may divert the aircraft from the reference  
2760 path, so the system should provide vertical predictions that model how vertical  
2761 guidance will attempt to capture and track the reference path (altitude and speed).

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2763 The vertical approach path consists of two portions: -an intermediateinitial approach  
2764 portionpath followed by a final approach path. In the initial approach path, where the  
2765 aircraft decelerates from a flaps-up target speed toward a configured  
2766 approachlanding speed. The initial approach path terminates upon reaching the  
2767 start of the final approach path. -until it reaches a final approach capture point  
2768 followed by a The final approach portionpath which extends from the final approach  
2769 capture point (intercept of final approach vertical angle) to the destination and is  
2770 typically constructed at a constant landing configuration speed and flight  
2771 pathvertical angle.

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2773 The final approach path should be constructed based on the vertical angle coded on  
2774 the destination runway, Missed Approach Decision Point (MAP), or Final End Point  
2775 (FEP). In the case of a MAP beyond the Landing Threshold Point (LTP), the  
2776 system may compute the FEP and associated angle or may obtain the FEP and  
2777 angle from the navigation database source. Refer to ARINC 424 for additional  
2778 details andon non-precision approach codings. For the final approach or vertical  
2779 angle leg, the system should not construct a vertical path shallower than the  
2780 specified vertical angle. The system may construct a vertical path steeper than the  
2781 specified vertical angle(s) in order to satisfy an ABOVE altitude constraint. The  
2782 above statements are not intended to preclude temperature compensation of the  
2783 altitude constraints and vertical angle(s). A few typical final approach path  
2784 geometries are illustrated in Figure 4.3.3-9 and Figure 4.3.3-10 below. A final  
2785 approach path which ends at a FEP coded in the navigation database is illustrated  
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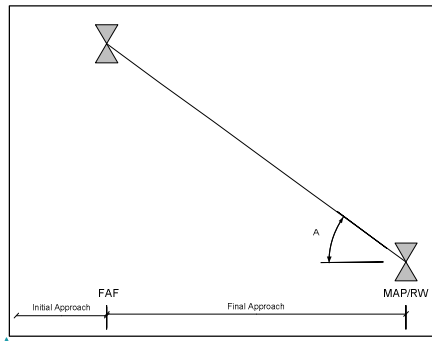


Figure 4.3.3-10 Typical Final Approach #2

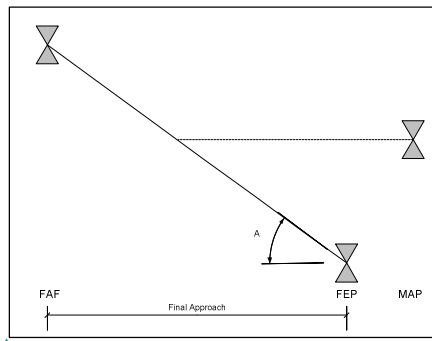


Figure 4.3.3-11 MAP Beyond Landing Threshold Point

In the presence of vertical angle constraint, the initial approach path for the vertical angle leg should be constructed using the vertical angle. The system may construct a vertical path steeper than the specified vertical angle(s) in order to satisfy an ABOVE altitude constraint. The above statements are not intended to preclude temperature compensation of the altitude constraints and vertical angle(s). In the absence of a FPA vertical angle constraints, the intermediate initial approach path may be constructed as a stepdown or “dive and drive” approach in accordance with VFR flight rules as shown in Figure 4.3.3-12. However, it is preferable the intermediate initial approach path be constructed as a “Continuous Descent Approach” (CDA) path as shown in Figure 4.3.3-13. A CDA path is a more stabilized and fuel efficient approach path and generally safer. It aligns with industry recommendations and trends. In either case, when a continuous, flyable approach path which satisfies all constraints cannot be constructed, the system should provide appropriate indications to the crew.

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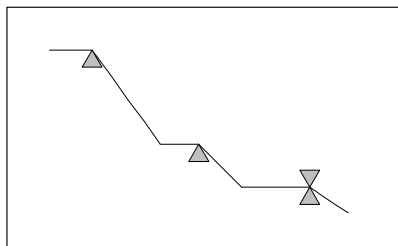


Figure 4.3.3-124.3.3-124.3.3-11 Step-Down Intermediate Initial Approach

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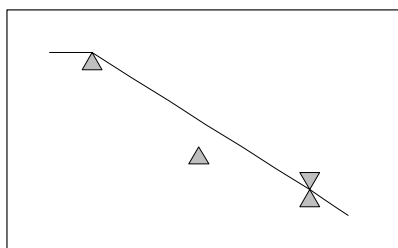


Figure 4.3.3-134.3.3-134.3.3-12 Continuous Descent Approach #1

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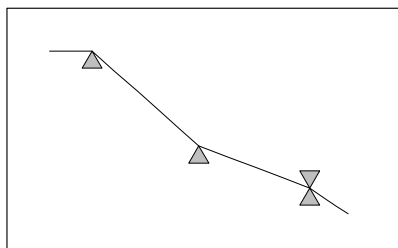


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The system may provide a missed approach prediction aligned with the lateral missed approach path. If a vertical trajectory is predicted it should be based on go around thrust limits and flap placard speeds and is predicted much like the climb

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2830 profile. Typically, the prediction starts at the missed approach point or when the  
2831 crew initiates the missed approach and terminates at an altitude constraint defined  
2832 in the missed approach procedure. Any remaining descent path altitude and speed  
2833 constraints are ignored.

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2836 Typically, the missed approach speed is limited by flap configuration. In the case  
2837 where the aircraft is in a clean configuration, the speed target should not be  
2838 released to the airport altitude speed restriction. It is recommended that the speed  
2839 should be limited to a minimum clean speed or low altitude best hold speed.

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2842 ~~4.3.3.3.4~~ **4.3.3.2.2 Vertical Guidance**

2843 The Vertical Guidance function defines vertical guidance targets and, when in  
2844 descent, reference parameters to be used by the autopilot and autothrottle to fly the  
2845 vertical flight plan.

2846 When vertical guidance is engaged, depending on the aircraft architecture, the  
2847 vertical guidance function should request or select a control mode for the elevator  
2848 and throttle and generate altitude, airspeed, thrust, vertical speed, pitch targets,  
2849 and/or load factors in accordance with the requested and selected control mode(s).  
2850 An alternative design may provide vertical segment(s) and/or capture trajectory as  
2851 part of vertical parameters.

2852 Depending on the autopilot interface, these targets and parameters are used by  
2853 control laws in either the FMS or the autopilot to generate pitch and thrust  
2854 commands.

2855 In addition, Vertical Guidance is responsible for automatically updating the phase of  
2856 flight and providing vertical situational awareness in the form of vertical deviation  
2857 and advisory messages.

2858 When the autopilot interface is a target interface, the system should provide the  
2859 requested elevator control mode to the autopilot and provide targets for the both the  
2860 requested and selected (i.e. engaged) elevator control mode. With this interface,  
2861 vertical guidance requests and targets are analogous to the crew mode and target  
2862 selections on the AFCS Control Panel.

2863 When the autopilot interface is a pitch command, the system should compute a  
2864 pitch command in accordance with the selected internal control mode. With this  
2865 interface, vertical guidance always computes a pitch command whether the internal  
2866 control mode is speed on elevator, vertical speed, altitude hold, or (descent) path on  
2867 elevator. When the autopilot interface is a pitch command, the system should also  
2868 perform the mode transition and path capture of the vertical guidance altitude target.

2869 The system should provide a requested autothrottle control mode along with an  
2870 EPR/N1 command (if appropriate).

2871 When a managed mode of vertical guidance is selected, the flight management  
2872 system should provide commands of pitch, pitch rate, and thrust control to the  
2873 parameters of target speeds, target thrusts, target altitudes, and target vertical



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2874 speeds (or alternately may provide only the targets depending on the selected  
 2875 vertical mode and the flight management/flight control architecture of the particular  
 2876 aircraft). Vertical guidance should also provide mode commands for the flight  
 2877 control computer and thrust management functions as well as automatic flight  
 2878 phase switching. The vertical profile upon which the vertical guidance is based  
 2879 should be the trajectory prediction defined above.

2880 The vertical guidance functions should provide for auto switching of the flight  
 2881 phase during a flight. This flight phase should be used as the basis for altitude,  
 2882 speed, and thrust target selection and should be made available to the flight control  
 2883 computer/AFCs. At a minimum, the system should provide logic for the automatic  
 2884 transition between flight phases for of preflight, climb, cruise, and descent. The  
 2885 preflight flight phase should apply when the aircraft is on the ground. When in  
 2886 preflight, the system and should allow for access to and entry of all route and  
 2887 performance flight management initialization data. After liftoff, the flight phase  
 2888 should switch to climb and the climb phase should remain active until the aircraft  
 2889 reaches the top of climb/acquires the initial cruise altitude, at which point the phase  
 2890 should switch to cruise. The flight phase should then switch from cruise to descent  
 2891 when the aircraft reaches the top of descent and the descent phase should remain  
 2892 active for the remainder of the flight.

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 2894 The logic discussed above is general and applies to a minimum set of  
 2895 flight phases. In general, systems will provide more additional flight  
 2896 phases to facilitate specific functionality defined for a particular phase  
 2897 aspect of the aircraft's operation. Some of the additional phases which  
 2898 should be considered are Takeoff, Approach, Go-Around, and Done. The  
 2899 specific logic for the transition between phases is implementation  
 2900 dependent since the conditions are generally application specific and are  
 2901 a function of the flight control system modes, aircraft dynamics and  
 2902 performance characteristics and aircraft operations.

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2904 The system should provide for guidance to the selected performance mode speed  
 2905 schedule applied to the climb trajectory and should provide the appropriate speed  
 2906 target and thrust command (or target) required to achieve the associated trajectory.  
 2907 In addition, an altitude command (or target) for the next target altitude (level off) in  
 2908 the vertical trajectory should be provided. The target altitude should be a function of  
 2909 the flight plan altitude constraints and the crew selected (clearance) altitude. The  
 2910 ETA and distance to the next flight plan altitude constraint should be displayed as  
 2911 advisory information. If the RTA performance mode is selected, then a time error  
 2912 advisory is also displayed. The top of climb point is displayed on the map display.  
 2913 The profiles are constrained by the altitude selected by the pilot on the AFCs  
 2914 controller/Control Panel, cruise altitude, and waypoint altitude constraints.

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2916 The system should provide for guidance to the selected performance speed mode  
 2917 speed/schedule applied to the cruise phase of the flight and should provide the  
 2918 appropriate speed target and altitude command (or target). The target altitude  
 2919 should be the cruise altitude or step altitude. The ETA and distance to the top of  
 2920 descent are displayed as advisory information. If the RTA performance mode is  
 2921 selected, then a time error is displayed. Entry of a higher or lower cruise altitude

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- 2922 results in a step climb or step descent respectively, with guidance commands  
2923 consistent with the selected operation.
- 2924 The system ~~should~~ may also provide vertical guidance for a drift-up cruise climb  
2925 mode when ATC has provided a block altitude clearance ~~or when operating in a free~~  
2926 ~~flight environment with no altitude constraints.~~
- 2927 **4.3.3.3.4.3.3.2.2.3 Descent Phase Operation**
- 2928 The system should provide for guidance to the selected performance mode speed  
2929 schedule applied to the descent trajectory and should provide, through the use of  
2930 both a path and speed (airmass) mode of control, the appropriate speed target,  
2931 thrust command (or target), pitch command, or vertical speed command (or target)  
2932 required to achieve the associated trajectory. In addition, an altitude command (or  
2933 target) for the next target altitude in the vertical trajectory should be provided. The  
2934 target altitude should be a function of the flight plan altitude constraints and the  
2935 crew selected (clearance) altitude.
- 2936 ~~For the case of the economy performance mode, where the vertical trajectory is~~  
2937 ~~optimized resulting in a computed path (altitude and speed profile as a function of~~  
2938 ~~distance from the destination) When tracking the descent path, a pitch command (or~~  
2939 ~~target) or vertical speed command (or target) should be computed to allow capture~~  
2940 ~~and track of the reference descent path. Overspeed protection in the form of~~  
2941 vertical mode reversion logic should be provided to enable guidance to switch from  
2942 path control to speed control if conditions are such that both altitude-path and speed  
2943 cannot be maintained. Annunciation may also be provided prior to mode reversion  
2944 for predicted overspeed or speed/altitude constraint violations.
- 2945 ~~Should~~ When the crew ~~initiate causes a transition to descent flight phase a descent~~  
2946 ~~before prior to~~ reaching the planned ~~Top of Descent~~ point, the system should  
2947 default to its early below-path descent scenario control strategy. The ~~s~~Systems  
2948 typically command a shallow rate of descent until the flight plan reference descent  
2949 path is intersected, at which time the originally planned descent profile is resumed.
- 2950 The system should switch the speed target to the approach speed at a point that is  
2951 either, constructed in the trajectory and displayed to the crew, or as a result of the  
2952 crew selection of an approach configuration. Once targeted, the approach speed  
2953 should be limited to the speed related to the current configuration of the aircraft,  
2954 switching to the landing speed when landing configuration is selected.
- 2955 Vertical deviation information based on the difference between the computed  
2956 vertical reference descent approach trajectory path and the actual aircraft altitude  
2957 should be provided throughout the descent approach phase of flight. ~~Also, for~~  
2958 ~~three dimensional approach guidance, the system should provide a vertical path~~  
2959 ~~deviation in a form suitable for display as a deviation from the pseudo glide slope.~~
- 2960 **4.3.3.3.4.4.3.3.2.2.4 Selected Altitude Compliance**
- 2961 Since altitude clearances are difficult to pre-plan using flight plan altitude  
2962 constraints, a crew selected altitude, usually provided by the flight controls panel,  
2963 should be used as a tactical altitude limiter by the flight management function. The  
2964 aircraft, under vertical guidance control, should not be allowed to ascend through  
2965 the selected altitude during a climb, or descend through the selected altitude during  
2966 a descent. During approach operations, this general rule may be suspended to  
2967 allow the crew to pre-select the altitude clearance to arm a missed approach. The

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2968 selected altitude may also be used to arm an automatic transition to descent or to  
2969 enable step climbs and descents during cruise phase operations.

2970 [4.3.3.3.4.54.3.3.2.2.5](#) **Altimeter Barometric Correction for Terminal Area Operations**

2971 Generally, altimeter barometric settings are utilized during terminal area operations  
2972 to account for the local pressure deviation in the air data system, making the  
2973 barometric altitude a more accurate ground reference. ~~The vertical function should  
2974 not generate a vertical deviation nor related path capture maneuver as a result of  
2975 this barometric adjustment activity. Any discontinuity in the altitude reference  
2976 created by this activity should be smoothly applied without violation of specified  
2977 altitude constraints and limits.~~

2978 Moreover, the local altitude reference may be either Altimeter sub-scale setting to  
2979 obtain elevation when on the ground (QNH) or atmospheric pressure at runway  
2980 (QFE) based (sea level equals zero for QNH, runway elevation equals zero for  
2981 QFE). Vertical guidance should accept an indication of which reference is being  
2982 used and apply the appropriate adjustments.

2983 [4.3.3.2.2.6](#) **Altitude Constraints**

2984 The Vertical Guidance function of the system should prevent the aircraft, when in  
2985 takeoff or climb and under vertical guidance control, from ascending through the  
2986 upper bound of a climb AT, AT or BELOW, or WINDOW altitude constraint.  
2987 Likewise, it should prevent the aircraft, when in descent or approach and under  
2988 vertical guidance control, from descending through the lower bound of a descent  
2989 AT, AT or ABOVE, or WINDOW altitude constraint. Aside from altitude captures, it  
2990 should be a basic philosophy that the Vertical Guidance function should never  
2991 descend in takeoff or climb flight phase in order to satisfy an altitude constraint;  
2992 likewise, it should never ascend in descent or approach in order to satisfy an  
2993 altitude constraint.

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2995 Refer to [4.3.2.5.2](#) for the definition of climb and descent altitude constraints.

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2998 In takeoff or climb, upon engagement or insertion of a flight plan with  
2999 an altitude constraint below the aircraft, the Vertical Guidance function  
3000 may find the aircraft is in violation to (i.e. above) a subsequent  
3001 BELOW climb altitude constraint. The Vertical Guidance behavior in  
3002 this situation differs between systems. Some systems will prevent  
3003 engagement of Vertical Guidance into an altitude constraint violation  
3004 while others allow engagement into a violation. Some systems  
3005 prevent engagement into a violation and also disengage when a  
3006 violation occurs while the Vertical Guidance function is engaged. On  
3007 those systems where Vertical Guidance can engage or be engaged in  
3008 a violation condition, some will provide an indication and level-off to  
3009 minimize the violation of the altitude constraint whereas others will  
3010 provide an indication and maintain a climbing attitude. An analogous  
3011 situation exists in descent for ABOVE altitude constraints.

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When under vertical guidance control and in violation to an ABOVE constraint, the Vertical Guidance function should level-off to minimize the violation of the altitude constraint as the constraint may exist for obstacle clearance.

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When below-path and under vertical guidance control and flying a lateral leg with a procedural vertical angle, the Vertical Guidance function should level-off as the vertical angle may exist for obstacle clearance.

Refer to 4.3.3.2.1 for more details regarding use of altitude constraints in the descent path construction and trajectory predictions.

#### 4.3.3.3.4.64.3.3.2.2.7 Speed and Altitude Restrictions

Speed and altitude restrictions encountered in the climb should be observed by the vertical function to prevent the aircraft from accelerating or ascending beyond those restriction values until the associated restriction has been passed. At this point the next restriction (if any) should become the limiting case. Restrictions encountered in descent should be handled similarly except that in the case of speed restrictions, sufficient deceleration distance must be provided in order to achieve the restrictive speed prior to passing the associated restriction. The system should ~~support~~ honor altitude-based speed limits such as airport speed limits (e.g. 250/10000) and ICAO limits for procedure legs. For airport speed limits and other limits which apply to a region or block of airspace, the aircraft airspeed should remain AT or BELOW the speed limit while the aircraft is below the specified altitude. For ICAO limits, the aircraft should remain AT or BELOW the speed limit while the aircraft is both flying the procedure leg and below the specified altitude.

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Vertical Flight Planning already has a bullet for Airport Speed Restrictions. Is that sufficient? I changed this to "honor" to convey that the guidance requirement is to honor the flight plan constraints. Does that address the comment?

In the case of descent AT and AT or BELOW restrictions, sufficient deceleration distance should be provided in order to cross the speed restriction at or below the restriction speed. Once the descent speed restriction has been sequenced, it should be latched such that the descent target speed does not exceed the restriction speed unless the crew deletes the latched speed restriction or the aircraft transitions back to climb flight phase.

Refer to 4.3.2.5.3 for the definition of climb and descent waypoint speed constraints and their applicability in various flight phases.

In general, the system should compute the target speed at any given point in the flight plan as the speed schedule limited to the lowest AT/BELOW of applicable speed restrictions. This target speed should always be limited to the speed envelope (e.g. VMO, MMO, stall, buffet, and placard limits) of the aircraft for the given or assumed aerodynamic configuration. The Vertical Guidance function of the system should accelerate or decelerate as necessary to capture and track the limited target speed.

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Historically, all speed constraints in the navigation database and entered by the crew were treated as AT or BELOW speed constraints by the FMS. Indeed, most of the optimizations performed by the FMS were accomplished using speed schedules optimized for some criteria (e.g. fuel, time, cost, maximum angle/rate); the philosophy of the FMS was to reach the optimum speed with speed restrictions preventing it from doing so. DO-23683() mandated support for an AT and AT or ABOVE speed constraint capability, and the ARINC 424 source now includes a speed descriptor field with each waypoint speed constraint. While DO-23683() defines a minimal set of requirements, it does not provide guidance in terms of what takes precedence when an ABOVE speed constraint conflicts with the speed schedule and other speed constraints and limits. To ensure a measure of interoperability as this capability is incorporated into flight management systems, the following requirements and guidance are offered.

When in conflict, the system should always give priority to altitude-based speed limits over waypoint-based speed constraints.

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Altitude-based limits are AT or BELOW speed limits which may be lower than a preceding AT or ABOVE climb waypoint speed constraints and/or subsequent AT or ABOVE descent waypoint speed constraint. In such cases, the altitude-based limit(s) should take priority. Airport speed limits are in place to ensure safety with slower moving VFR traffic while ICAO limits ensure aircraft remain within the designated airspace.

When in conflict, the system should give priority to BELOW speed constraints over ABOVE speed constraints.

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In descent, a deceleration point should occur prior to an ABOVE speed constraint if necessary in order to ensure a safe, continuous deceleration to the landing speed. Moreover, altitude-based limits are BELOW speed constraints that are associated with airspace limitations and thus should take precedence.

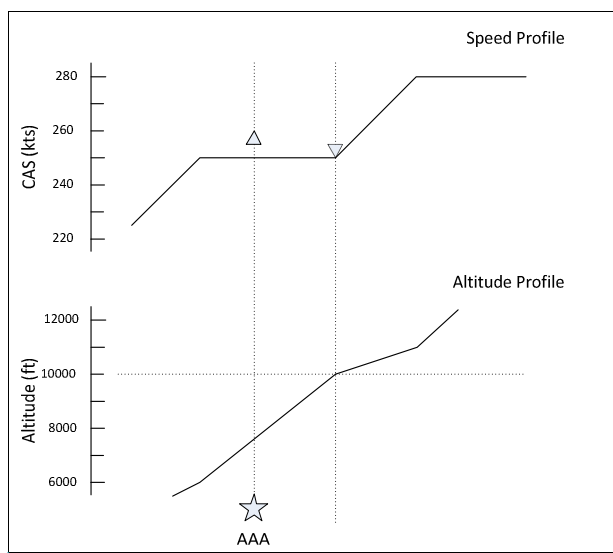
The figures below illustrate various conflicts and the speed profiles that result given the rules in this section.

For the descent scenario illustrated in ~~Figure 4.3.3-18~~~~Figure 4.3.3-18~~~~Figure 4.3.3-17~~, an alternative is to insert a speed discontinuity into the theoretical descent path (at AAA) and provide appropriate indications to the crew. This is deemed less preferable as it may lead to unrealistic deceleration assumptions which are only

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apparent once the ABOVE speed constraint is sequenced. Moreover, in the absence of special considerations, insertion of a speed discontinuity creates an inherent ETA error and may cause poor guidance behavior as the theoretical reference path speed profile is often used as a reference for advisories and mode reversion logic.



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Figure 4.3.3-15 4.3.3-15 4.3.3-14 250/10000 takes priority over 260A at AAA (climb)

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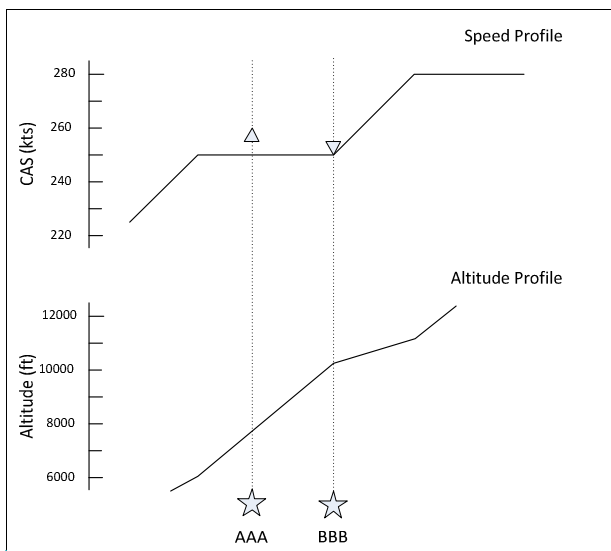


Figure 4.3.3-164.3.3-164.3.3-15 250B at BBB takes priority over 260A at AAA (climb)

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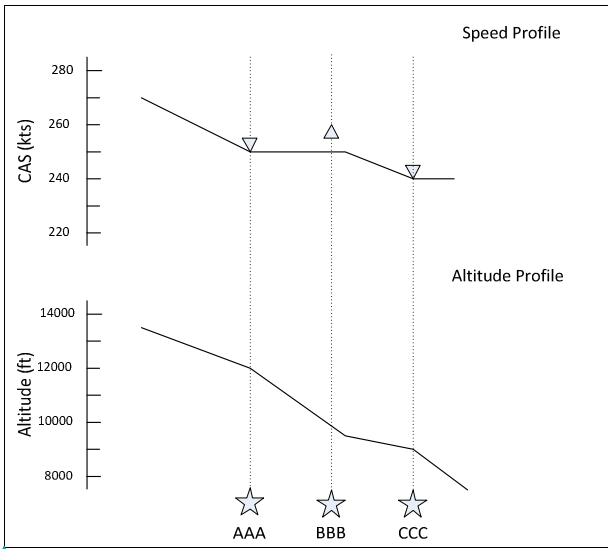


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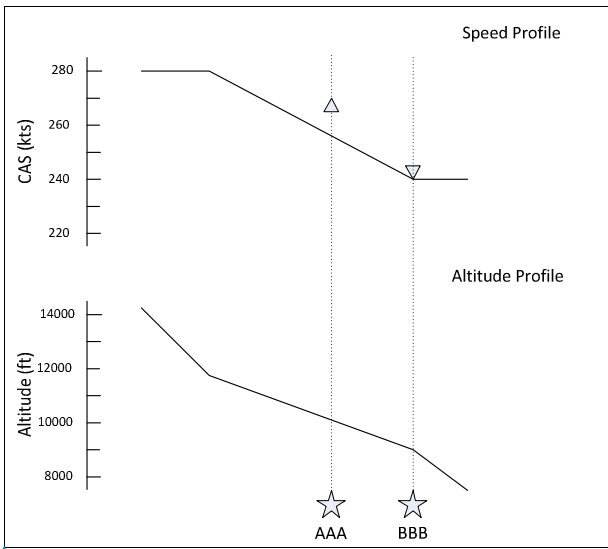


Figure 4.3.3-184.3.3-184.3.3-17 Decel to 240B AT BBB takes priority over 270A at AAA (descent)

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3124 In general, in the absence of edits and tactical speed interventions, the system  
3125 should produce a speed profile that is monotonic during a single phase of flight. For  
3126 takeoff and climb, the speed target should continuously increase until reaching the  
3127 climb speed schedule. For descent and approach, the speed target should  
3128 continuously decrease from the descent speed schedule until reaching the landing  
3129 speed. As such, the system should compute a climb speed schedule which is the  
3130 maximum of the mode-based climb speed and the highest ABOVE climb speed  
3131 constraint; the system should compute a descent speed schedule which is the  
3132 maximum of the mode-based descent speed and the highest ABOVE descent  
3133 speed constraint. This limitation should be applied to both the speed schedule CAS  
3134 and MACH (when applicable).

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3137 Without the MACH limitation, a higher ABOVE speed constraint will  
3138 produce a lower crossover altitude at which point the ABOVE speed  
3139 constraint will cease to apply. For this reason, it is suggested that the  
3140 MACH equivalent of the ABOVE speed constraint evaluated at 25000  
3141 feet be used as the lower limit MACH value. This ensures that ABOVE  
3142 speeds are maintained until at least 25000' for most aircraft.

3143 It is assumed that ABOVE speed constraints would not be applied  
3144 when in performance modes designed to maximize climb rate or  
3145 angle.

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The system should not apply ABOVE speed constraints to hold speed schedules.

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Refer to 4.3.3.2.1 for more details regarding use of speed restrictions in the descent

path construction and trajectory predictions.

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**4.3.3.2.3 Estimated Time of Arrival (ETA)**

3154 The system should be capable of providing an ETA for every flight plan fix in the  
3155 primary flight plan. For modifications to the active flight plan, each flight plan fix ETA  
3156 should be available within 30 seconds (15 seconds typical) of the completion of  
3157 entries required to perform the calculations.

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The accuracy of the ETA should be within +/- 1 percent of the time of flight  
remaining to the fix, or +/- 10 seconds, whichever is greater, for the entered  
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3165 It is understood that additional data is required (e.g. forecast wind and  
3166 temperature) to improve the operational accuracy of the predicted

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ETA. Such entries can be made manually by the flight crew or uplinked via ~~data communications~~AOC or ATS datalink.

4.3.3.3.4.3.3.2.4 Required Time of Arrival (RTA) ~~RTA (Required Time of Arrival)~~

The system should ~~make available~~provide a control mode such that the aircraft will be controlled to arrive at any specified waypoint ~~in the primary flight plan~~ at a specified arrival time (RTA). ~~The system should support a resolution of 1 second for entry and display of the RTA time.~~ Accuracy of this function should be  $\pm 30$  seconds ~~at enroute fixes and route and  $\pm 5$  seconds at descent fixes in the terminal area, as defined in RTCA Task Force 3, Final Report on Free Flight Implementation.~~ If the RTA is predicted to be ~~not achievable~~, ~~an indication/annunciation of this condition the problem to the crew~~ should be provided ~~to the crew~~. The ~~situation condition~~ should be continually reassessed until such time as the RTA is achievable. ~~While on the ground, the system should compute the takeoff time window that allows an achievable time at the specified RTA waypoint.~~ All RTA calculations should respect the speed envelope ~~restrictions~~ as well as all flight plan constraints. The RTA control band should be designed to limit throttle activity to a minimum.

This RTA function should accommodate ATS data link ~~consistent with industry standards (e.g. DO-258(), DO-350()) of RTA constraints consistent with RTCA DO-249,~~ including constraint types AT, ~~Before~~AT or BEFORE, and AT or AFTER, ~~After, and Between.~~

Systems may provide RTA predictions ~~showing of~~ the earliest and latest arrival times ~~for the candidate RTA waypoint and/or active RTA aircraft may arrive at a waypoint (an RTA window).~~ Also, ~~consideration~~ of fuel reserves in the prediction of RTA feasibility may be provided.

~~While in preflight, the system may compute a recommended takeoff time which allows an RTA to be achieved using the crew entered cost index or planned speed schedules. While in preflight, the system may also compute the earliest and latest takeoff times which allow takeoff time window that allows an RTA to be achieved, an achievable time at the specified RTA waypoint.~~

## 4.3.3.2.5 Time of Arrival Control (TOAC)

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~~As detailed in DO-236() and DO-283(), the TOAC function is a performance-based operation that invokes a time accuracy requirement for arriving at a specified RTA waypoint within a range of achievable ETAs. The accuracy requirement is dependent upon current and accurate performance data inputs and uncertainty models. TOAC is intended to support/enable future advanced air traffic management (ATM) operations such as time-based trajectory operations (4DTBO) by providing a performance-based time management capability. The requirement for a performance-based time function that enhances predictability, similar in concept to performance requirements of RNP, is a new model upon which to enable future air traffic sequencing and flow management.~~

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3214	<u>The equipment should provide a Time of Arrival function which supports a specified</u>
3215	<u>arrival time (RTA) at <del>thea RTA constrained</del> fix within the range of achievable ETAs.</u>
3216	<u>The range of achievable ETAs at the specified fix is computed by the system based</u>
3217	<u>upon entered aircraft performance parameters, current and forecast environmental</u>
3218	<u>conditions, and uncertainty models.</u>
3219	<u>The TOAC function should be operational in both enroute and descent phases of</u>
3220	<u>flight.</u>
3221	<b>COMMENTARY</b>
3222	<u>Additionally, it is expected that procedure designs will implement</u>
3223	<u>speed and altitude constraints (when required) that are compatible</u>
3224	<u>with a time-based system such as TOAC by not overly constraining</u>
3225	<u>the path. For example, a speed-constrained descent and a time-</u>
3226	<u>constrained descent may not be compatible except under specific</u>
3227	<u>conditions.</u>
3228	<u>The system should be capable of providing the range of achievable ETAs for at</u>
3229	<u>least one fix in the primary flight plan for display in the flight deck and</u>
3230	<u>communication to the traffic management facility. For fixes after an RTA constrained</u>
3231	<u>fix, the range of achievable ETAs should <del>assume</del> be based on the ETA at the RTA</u>
3232	<u>fix. <del>the RTA will be achieved (when achievable).</del></u>
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3234	<u>When the RTA is selected from within the range of achievable ETAs computed by</u>
3235	<u>the system, the total time error (TTE), in the presence of the uncertainty model</u>
3236	<u>described in DO-283(), should be less than or equal to the required accuracy in 95</u>
3237	<u>percent of the attempts.</u>
3238	<u>The equipment should control to the accuracy requirement while also considering</u>
3239	<u>the adverse flight deck effects of large speed and thrust fluctuations.</u>
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3241	<b>COMMENTARY</b>
3242	<u>It is expected that the essential information such as current and</u>
3243	<u>accurate wind and temperature forecasts are provided and used by</u>
3244	<u>the system such that the performance requirements for the TOAC</u>
3245	<u>function can be met.</u>
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3247	<u>DO-283() specifies the functional requirements of a TOAC function.</u>
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3249	<b>4.3.3.4.3.3.3 Three-Dimensional RNAV Approach</b>
3250	<u>[Deleted by Supplement 5]</u>
3251	<b>4.3.4 Performance Calculations Function</b>
3252	The performance function should use information from the flight plan and the
3253	performance data base (See Section 9.4) to generate performance related data for
3254	display on the MCDU.

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3255 **4.3.4.1 Performance Modes**

3256 One performance mode that should be common to all flight phases is the economy  
3257 speed mode which should calculate the associated speeds and speed schedules  
3258 which minimize the total cost of operating the airplane on a given flight. This mode  
3259 should use a Cost Index, which is the ratio of time-related costs (crew salaries,  
3260 maintenance, etc.) to fuel cost.

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3261 This is expressed as:

$$3262 \text{ Cost Index (CI)} = \frac{\text{Time Cost}}{3263 \text{ Fuel Cost}}$$

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3265 Typical Cost Index entries vary from zero to 999, with the minimum trip fuel cost  
3266 occurring with the Cost Index set to zero. Cost Index values above zero result in  
3267 increased trip speeds and varying aircraft vertical trajectories. At the proper Cost  
3268 Index, the increased fuel cost will be offset by the reduced time cost.

##### 3269 4.3.4.1.1 Climb Mode

3270 Speed modes supported may include:

- 3271 • Economy CAS/Mach (based on Cost Index) – Lowest cost of operation
- 3272 • Pilot-entered [Computed Air Speed](#) ~~CAS (CAS)~~/Mach – Manual selection [\(or](#)  
3273 [pre-selection\)](#)
- 3274 • Maximum angle climb – Maximum climb rate with respect to distance
- 3275 • Maximum rate of climb – Maximum climb rate with respect to time
- 3276 • Required Time of Arrival (RTA) – Variable speed to meet a time constraint

##### 3277 4.3.4.1.2 Cruise Mode

3278 Speed modes supported may include:

- 3279 • Economy CAS or Mach (based on Cost Index) – Lowest cost of operation
- 3280 • Pilot-entered CAS or Mach – Manual selection [\(or pre-selection\)](#)
- 3281 • Maximum endurance – Maximum time endurance
- 3282 • Long Range Cruise – Maximum range
- 3283 • Required Time of Arrival (RTA) – Variable speed to meet a time constraint

3284 ~~— Step Climb and Step Descent (for changes in cruise flight level)~~

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##### 3285 4.3.4.1.3 Descent Mode

3286 Speed modes supported may include:

- 3287 • Economy CAS/Mach (based on Cost Index) – Lowest cost of operation
- 3288 • Pilot-entered CAS/Mach – Manual selection [\(or pre-selection\)](#)
- 3289 • Maximum descent rate – Maximum descent rate with respect to time
- 3290 • Required Time of Arrival (RTA) – Variable speed to meet a time constraint

3291 ~~A descent path should be computed based on the economy speed schedule,~~  
3292 ~~manually selected speed schedule and complying with waypoint speed/altitude~~  
3293 ~~constraints where the path is defined as the altitude and speed as a function of the~~  
3294 ~~distance from the destination. This path should be constructed such that the~~  
3295 ~~performance of the aircraft is optimized with respect to the cost index, assuming the~~  
3296 ~~aircraft will be allowed to follow the constructed path.~~

##### 3297 4.3.4.2 Maximum and Optimum Altitudes Calculation

3298 The performance function should compute both optimum and maximum altitude for  
3299 the aircraft/engine type, weight, atmospheric conditions, bleed air settings, and the  
3300 other vertical flight planning parameters. The optimum altitude algorithm should

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3301 compute the most cost effective operational altitude and the maximum altitude  
 3302 algorithm should compute the highest attainable altitude (up to maximum certified  
 3303 altitude) while satisfying maneuver margin and minimum climb rate(s)  
 3304 criterion allowing for the specified rate of climb margin. Optimum altitude should be  
 3305 limited by maximum altitude. Consideration should be given in the algorithm design  
 3306 to eliminate the sensitivity and therefore possible erratic behavior that can occur  
 3307 because of the flatness of the performance characteristics. Maximum altitude for  
 3308 engine out should also be computed.

## 4.3.4.3 Trip Altitude Calculations

3310 The performance function should compute a recommended cruise altitude for a  
 3311 specified route. This altitude may be different from the optimum altitude in that for  
 3312 short trips the optimum altitude may not be achievable because of the trip distance.  
 3313 This algorithm searches for the altitude that satisfies the climb and descent while  
 3314 preserving a minimum cruise time specified by the crew or airline policy. Some  
 3315 designs may elect to integrate this computation as part of the optimum altitude  
 3316 algorithm. All the vertical flight planning parameters should be considered in this  
 3317 algorithm.

## 4.3.4.4 Alternate Destinations Calculation

3319 The performance function should perform alternate destination calculations. The  
 3320 computations ~~are~~ should be optionally based on the selected flight plan routing to  
 3321 the alternate destination, typically -flight plan routing, either either on- a direct route  
 3322 from current position to the alternate destination, or continuing a route that proceeds  
 3323 to the current destination, followed and assumes by execution of a missed approach  
 3324 at the destination and followed by then a direct to the alternate destination.  
 3325 Distances, fuel, and ETA, and optionally best trip cruise altitude for selectable  
 3326 alternate destinations should be computed for each alternate destination and made  
 3327 and available for display. Also computed for these alternate destinations are  
 3328 a available holding times at the present position, and given the current fuel state  
 3329 versus the fuel required to fly to the alternates destination, may also be computed.  
 3330 Besides the alternate destination prediction, this function should provide for the  
 3331 retrieval of the airports nearest the aircraft at crew request.

## 4.3.4.5 Step Climb/Descent

3333 The performance function should include a prediction of the optimum point(s) at  
 3334 which a step climb/descent maneuver may be initiated to provide for more cost-  
 3335 effective operation. This algorithm should consider all the vertical flight planning  
 3336 parameters as well as entered wind data. The time and distance to the optimum  
 3337 step point to the specified step altitude should be made available for display. Also,  
 3338 the percent savings/penalty for the step climb or descent versus the current flight  
 3339 plan may be computed and displayed.

## 4.3.4.6 Cruise Climb

3341 The performance function ~~should~~ may compute an optimum or drift-up cruise climb  
 3342 guidance parameters which tracks the optimum altitude for all engine and engine-out  
 3343 conditions. This algorithm should take into account fuel burn (weight decrease) and  
 3344 the predicted wind altitude profile. Automatic mode transition to level cruise should  
 3345 occur when an altitude constraint is reached.

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3346 4.3.4.7 **Vertical Advisory Calculations**~~T/C, T/D, Intermediate T/D Advisories~~

3347 The performance function should provide advisories of distance and time (ETA or  
 3348 ETE) to the next waypoint altitude and/or speed target change. This information is  
 3349 based on the stored trajectory prediction and the current state of the aircraft. It  
 3350 should also provide advisories of distance and time to vertical points which do not  
 3351 correspond to waypoints. These points include:

- 3352 • Top of Climb (T/C)
- 3353 • Top of Descent (T/D)
- 3354 • Start of Climb (S/C)
- 3355 • Start of Descent (S/D)
- 3356 • Level-Off Start
- 3357 • Level-Off End
- 3358 • Bottom of Descent (B/D)
- 3359 • End of Descent (E/D)
- 3360 • Descent Path Intercept
- 3361 • Deceleration or Target Speed Change Point

3362 The performance function should compute distances to the top of climb (T/C) and  
 3363 top of descent (T/D) points. This information is based on the stored trajectory  
 3364 prediction and the current state of the aircraft. Also, for the climb and descent  
 3365 phases, performance should compute the distance and ETA to the next altitude  
 3366 constraint. In descent, the distance and ETA is also computed for the next  
 3367 intermediate T/D (where the aircraft will continue its descent after a level off in the  
 3368 descent path caused by an altitude constraint).

3369 At a minimum, the performance function should compute distances to the top of  
 3370 climb (T/C) and top of descent (T/D) points for display on the MCDU.

3371 These vertical points should be displayed on the Navigation Display (ND) and  
 3372 Vertical Situation Display (VSD); the advisory distances and times displayed on the  
 3373 MCDU should be consistent with the location on the ND and VSD.

3374 4.3.4.8 **Thrust Limit Data Calculations**

3375 The thrust limits for takeoff, climb, cruise, go around, and continuous modes of  
 3376 operation should be computed (if applicable for the installation) for the current  
 3377 atmospheric conditions and type of engine/aircraft and bleed settings. Moreover,  
 3378 derates for takeoff and climb thrust should be available for selection as well as  
 3379 selected temperature derates for takeoff thrust. The crew can manually select the  
 3380 thrust limit mode that is output as the current thrust limit or an auto mode can be  
 3381 selected that makes the choice based on logic between the flight control computer  
 3382 and the FMC.

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3384 In some designs, the thrust limit function is performed by a Thrust  
 3385 Control Computer (TCC). For these designs, the thrust limit  
 3386 computation in the FMC is only required for the purpose of trajectory  
 3387 predictions and support of other performance calculations.

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## 3388 4.3.4.9 Takeoff Reference Data

3389 The performance function should provide for the entry of V1, VR, and V2 speeds.  
 3390 eComputation, or entry, of V1, VR, and V2 takeoff of V- speeds for selected flap  
 3391 settings and runway, atmospheric, weight, and weightCG, and atmospheric  
 3392 conditions conditions may be implemented for the purpose of selection and/or  
 3393 reasonableness checks. These entered or selected V- speeds should be made  
 3394 available for crew selection as output for display on the flight instruments. In  
 3395 addition, Flap/slat retraction takeoff configuration speeds should may optionally be  
 3396 computed and displayed for reference.

## 3397 4.3.4.10 Approach Reference Data

3398 Landing configuration selection should be provided for each configuration  
 3399 appropriate for the operation of the specific aircraft. The crew should be allowed to  
 3400 select the desired approach configuration and the state of that selection should be  
 3401 made available for output to other systems. Selection of an approach configuration  
 3402 should also result in the computation of a landing speed based on a manually  
 3403 entered wind correction for the destination runway. In addition, approach  
 3404 configuration speeds should be computed and displayed for reference.

## 3405 4.3.4.11 Reserve Fuel Calculation

3406 When the system supports a default reserve fuel, the default The amount of fuel  
 3407 that can be specified as reserve fuel should be computed based on the estimated  
 3408 fuel burn for the active given flight plan, and the entered/ or measured total fuel  
 3409 quantity, and additional entered parameters such as assumed fuel flow percent  
 3410 error. This computation may be used as a default reserve fuel value. Manual entry  
 3411 of a reserve fuel quantity to override this computation should be provided and  
 3412 should override the default value (if any). The system should provide an indication  
 3413 to the crew when the predicted fuel at destination is below the reserve fuel.

## 3414 4.3.4.12 Engine-Out Performance Calculation

3415 Systems should provide engine-out performance predictions for the case of the loss  
 3416 of at least one engine. These predictions may include:

- 3417 • Climb at engine-out climb speed
- 3418 • Cruise at engine-out cruise speed
- 3419 • Driftdown to engine-out maximum altitude at driftdown speed
- 3420 • Use of maximum continuous thrust
- 3421 • Two-engine-out predictions when applicable on three and four engine
- 3422 aircraft

## 3423 4.3.4.13 Other Predictions

3424 A number of other predictions and computed performance parameters can be  
 3425 provided by flight management systems. The following are a few of these optional  
 3426 functions:

## 3427 4.3.4.13.1 Maximum Range Computation

3428 Capability to compute the maximum range of the aircraft based on the  
 3429 entered/measured fuel quantity and the specified reserves should be provided. Both  
 3430 range to reserves and range to empty may be displayed as appropriate.



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3431 **4.3.4.13.2 Maximum Endurance Computation**

3432 The maximum endurance time of the aircraft can be computed based on the  
 3433 entered/measured fuel quantity and the specified reserves. Both endurance time to  
 3434 reserves and time to empty can be provided.

3435 **4.3.4.13.3 Descent Energy Circles**

3436 For a selected fix point and associated altitude constraint, the distance required to  
 3437 descend from current altitude to the constraint altitude can be computed for both  
 3438 clean and full drag aircraft configurations. This data can be available for display on  
 3439 both the MCDU and as range circles centered on the specified fix on the navigation  
 3440 display.

3441 **4.3.5 Printer Functions**

3442 Capability may be provided to print various data such as data link messages, flight  
 3443 plans, and maintenance information.

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3445 **4.3.6 AOC Function**

3446 The system should provide for a data link interface with Airline Operations  
 3447 Communication. This interface should allow for uplink and crew controlled insertion  
 3448 of parameters that are enterable through the MCDU. This should include:

- 3449 • User preferred flight plans defined by the airline dispatch office
- 3450 • Wind and Temperature [profiles entries](#) at multiple altitudes (Section  
 3451 4.3.2.5.1)
- 3452 • Waypoints where automatic position reports are required
- 3453 • Performance initialization data
- 3454 • Navigation data base amendments

3455 **NOTAMs**

3456 Likewise, this interface should provide for the downlink of [entered and computed](#)  
 3457 ~~data computed for display on the MCDU~~, including flight plan requests and waypoint  
 3458 reports.

3459 Refer to Section 8.0 and ATTACHMENT 7 for interface details.

3460

3461 **4.3.7 ATS Datalink**

3462 Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs) are implementing, or have plans to  
 3463 implement, Air Traffic Services Datalink functions using existing and future data link  
 3464 systems whose requirements are defined according to the DO-264/ED-78 safety  
 3465 and performance requirements process. These include:

- 3466 • FANS 1/A+ Interoperability and Accommodation (DO-258 FANS  
 3467 Interoperability, DO-305 Accommodation in Domestic Airspace, and DO-306  
 3468 Oceanic Safety and Performance Requirements)
- 3469 • Link 2000+ (subset of Baseline 1, DO-280/290/EUROCONTROL spec-0116)
- 3470 • Baseline 2 Rev A or B (DO-350 through DO-353/ED-229)

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Rev A is planned for Europe and Rev B is planned for the US

The FMS system should support these datalink systems. FANS 1/A was originally utilized primarily in trans-oceanic ATC environments (mandated in the North Atlantic) but is being expanded into US and European domestic airspace. Link 2000+ is the datalink system in Europe. Baseline 2 is applicable to domestic airspace in North America and will eventually replace Link 2000+ in domestic European airspace. Some aircraft avionics implementations have elected to support multiple ATS datalink systems (oceanic and domestic).

All these ATS datalink systems provide the capability to establish a direct message exchange between the pilots and controllers, using datalink messages instead of voice and may provide other functions such as downlink of position reports and aircraft state and intent information.

The datalink communication architecture on the aircraft has evolved with variation in the allocation of the datalink subfunctions to physical units.

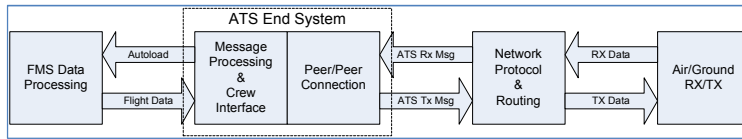


Figure 4.3.7-14.3.7-14.3.7-1 Functional Breakdown of ATS Datalink Airborne Architecture

Some system integrators have chosen to allocate the ATS end system into the FMS, some have chosen to allocate the ATS end system to a different unit and establish a significant data interface with the FMS to support the various datalink functions. Some implementations have a minimal interface with the FMS and depend on the crew to manually support the data needs of the datalink function. The following sections describe all the potential FMS requirements for the datalink functions without regard to the functional allocation of the specific airborne architecture.

It is imperative for stakeholders to understand the specific airborne architecture and which requirements are applicable in their particular architecture.

4.3.7.1 Future Air Navigation System 1/A (FANS 1/A)

The ATS applications used in FANS 1/A are Air Traffic Services Facilities Notification (AFN), Automatic Dependent Surveillance-contract (ADS-C), Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC) as defined in DO-258/DO 290 and ARINC 622. These applications enable the following ATS services:

- Data Link Initiation (DLIC)
- ATC Communications Management (ACM)

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- 3511 • Clearance Request and Delivery (CRD)
- 3512 • ATC Microphone Check (AMC)
- 3513 • Pre-Departure Clearance
- 3514 • Information Exchange and Reporting (IER)
- 3515 • Position Reporting (PR)
- 3516 • In Trail Procedure (ITP)

3517

3518 **4.3.7.1.1 Air Traffic Services Facilities Notification (AFN)**

3519 The AFN logon function can only be aircraft initiated. The aircraft system uses the  
 3520 logon function to provide an application name, address, and version number for  
 3521 each application that the aircraft wishes to use, along with the current position as  
 3522 required by the ground system. In response, the ground provides an application  
 3523 name and version number for each application that the ground supports. AFN  
 3524 enables and precedes the use of CPDLC, ADS-C and associated services.

3525 To support auto transfer from one center to the next, the contact function provides a  
 3526 method for the ATS ground system to request the aircraft system to initiate the  
 3527 logon function with the next ATS ground system. The aircraft initiates a logon and  
 3528 provides the information indicating whether or not the requested contact was  
 3529 successful. The AFN logon messages and sequence are detailed in DO-258 and  
 3530 ARINC 622.

3531 For architecture with dual datalink systems (dual stack), the AFN function should  
 3532 support the auto transfer from one datalink system to another datalink system.

3533

3534 **4.3.7.1.2 Controller/Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC)**

3535 The CPDLC specific messages supported should be those defined by [ICAO Doc](#)  
 3536 [4444](#): PANS-ATM [4444](#) and DO-258()/ED-100() to enable the following services:

- 3537 • ATC Communications Management (ACM)
- 3538 • Clearance Request and Delivery (CRD)
- 3539 • ATC Microphone Check (AMC)
- 3540 • Pre-Departure Clearance
- 3541 • Information Exchange and Reporting (IER)
- 3542 • Position Reporting (PR)

3543 These messages include some which are loadable and others which are display  
 3544 only. The FMS exchanges these messages with the communication management  
 3545 function which provides for the capability to receive and send these messages over  
 3546 the data link network. The FMS should provide the capability to interface with the  
 3547 network protocol and integrity checking as defined by ARINC 622, These data link  
 3548 messages will be identified with an Imbedded Message Identifier (IMI) of ATx and  
 3549 Message Format Identifier (MFI) of AA/BA to distinguish them from AOC messages  
 3550 and take priority over any other pending data link messages.

3551 Interpretation of the message is based on the CPDLC application defined by RTCA  
 3552 DO-258/290 message element number. Upon receipt of an ATC uplink, the system  
 3553 should annunciate an alerting level message in the primary field of view and set an  
 3554 output discrete that will be used to control an aural warning. The system should also  
 3555 provide for a crew interface that details these messages for crew review along with

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3556 the appropriate prompts for crew responses such as accept, reject, standby, or  
3557 response data that may be required.

3558 As a minimum, the FMC functions should provide the capability to load (autoload)  
3559 the following message types:

- 3560 • Cross position BEFORE, AT, or AFTER time
- 3561 • Route Clearances

3562 For all load functions, the changes should be displayed for review by the flight crew.  
3563 The changes should be initiated and activated by the flight crew.

3564

#### 3565 4.3.7.1.3 Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Contract (ADS-C)

3566 This function should provide for uplink messages to establish the following:

- 3567 • Periodic Contract
- 3568 • On Demand Contract
- 3569 • Event Contract
- 3570 • Cancel Contract
- 3571 • Cancel All Contracts

3572 It should also provide Acknowledgment, Negative Acknowledgment, Noncompliance  
3573 Notification, and data downlink messages as defined in RTCA DO-258.

3574 This function should support at least 5 connections (four typically used for ATC and  
3575 another for AOC). Each connection is associated with the ATC center address and  
3576 may have any contract type.

3577 The ADS-C contracts should be established automatically by the contract protocol  
3578 defined in DO-258 without the need for crew intervention. Each contract specifies  
3579 the data groups as well as the report interval and other report downlink triggers that  
3580 are desired. Each contract request can specify the data groups to be transmitted:

- 3581 • Basic ADS-C
- 3582 • Flight ID
- 3583 • Airframe ID
- 3584 • Air vector
- 3585 • Ground vector
- 3586 • Aircraft Intent
- 3587 • Projected profile
- 3588 • MET data

3589 All time stamps associated with data groups should be based on the UTC received  
3590 from the GNSS. UTC based on aircraft clocks should only be used in case of GNSS  
3591 outage or failure.

3592

#### 3593 4.3.7.2 Link 2000+

3594 The ATN applications used in Baseline 1 Link 2000+ are subsets of context  
3595 management (CM), and Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC), as  
3596 defined in DO-280/290/EUROCONTROL spec-0116. These applications support  
3597 the following ATS Services:

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- 3598 • Data Link Initiation (DLIC)
- 3599 • ATC Communications Management (ACM)
- 3600 • Air Traffic Clearance (ACL)
- 3601 • ATC Microphone Check (AMC)

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**4.3.7.2.1 Context Management (CM)**

3604 The Baseline 1 Link 2000+ CM logon function can only be aircraft initiated. The  
 3605 aircraft system uses the logon function to provide an application name, address,  
 3606 and version number for each application that the aircraft wishes to use that can be  
 3607 ground initiated, along with the Origin and Destination airports as required by the  
 3608 ground system. In response, the ground provides an application name and version  
 3609 number for each ground-only initiated requested application.

3610 To support auto transfer from one center to the next, the Link 2000+ CM contact  
 3611 function provides a method for the ATS ground system to request the aircraft  
 3612 system to initiate the logon function with the ATS ground system indicated in the  
 3613 CM contact. The ATS ground system initiates this function with a contact request  
 3614 specifying the ATS ground system CM application address with which to logon. The  
 3615 aircraft initiates a logon and provides the information indicating whether or not the  
 3616 requested contact was successful. The Context Management logon messages and  
 3617 sequence are detailed in the Baseline 1 ATN Interoperability DO-280.

3618 For architecture with dual datalink systems (dual stack), the CM function should  
 3619 support the auto transfer from one datalink system to another datalink system.

3620

**4.3.7.2.2 Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC)**

3622 The Link 2000+ CPDLC is a subset of the ATN Baseline 1 CPDLC as defined in  
 3623 RTCA DO-280/290/ EUROCONTROL spec-0116. The ATN Baseline 1 Link 2000+  
 3624 controller-pilot message exchange function defines a method for a controller and  
 3625 pilot to exchange information via data link as detailed in DO-280/  
 3626 290/EUROCONTROL spec-0116. This function provides messages for the  
 3627 following:

- 3628 • ATC Communication Management (ACM)
- 3629 • Air Traffic Clearance (ACL)
- 3630 • ATC Microphone Check (AMC)

3631 The ATN Baseline 1 Link 2000+ CPDLC message elements encompass level  
 3632 assignments, crossing constraints, lateral deviations, route changes and  
 3633 clearances, speed assignments, radio frequency assignments, and various requests  
 3634 for information. The pilot has the capability to respond to messages, request  
 3635 clearances and report information. An uplink "free text" capability is also provided to  
 3636 exchange information not conforming to defined formats and to append information  
 3637 explaining error reasons. A downlink "free text" capability is provided to append  
 3638 information explaining error reasons.

3639 The Baseline 1 transfer of data authority function provides the capability for the  
 3640 current data authority (CDA) to designate another air traffic service unit (ATSU) as  
 3641 the next data authority (NDA). A CPDLC connection can be established by the NDA  
 3642 at a time before becoming the CDA. This capability is intended to prevent a loss of

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3643 communication that would occur if the NDA were prevented from actually setting up  
3644 a connection with an aircraft system element until it became the CDA.

3645

#### 3646 4.3.7.3 Baseline 2 (B2)

3647 The ATS applications used in Baseline 2 are Context Management (CM), Automatic  
3648 Dependent Surveillance-Contract (ADS-C) and Controller Pilot Data Link  
3649 Communication (CPDLC) as defined in DO-350 through DO-353 and ED-229.  
3650 These applications support the following ATM functions:

- 3651 • Data Link Initiation (DLIC)
- 3652 • ATC Communications Management (ACM)
- 3653 • Clearance Request and Delivery (CRD)
- 3654 • ATC Microphone Check (AMC)
- 3655 • Departure Clearance (DCL)
- 3656 • Data Link Taxi (D-TAXI)
- 3657 • In Trail Procedure (ITP)
- 3658 • Advanced Interval Management (A-IM)
- 3659 • Oceanic Clearance Delivery (OCL)
- 3660 • Information Exchange and Reporting (IER)
- 3661 • Position Reporting (PR)
- 3662 • 4-Dimensional Trajectory Data Link (4DTRAD)
- 3663 • Dynamic Required Navigation Performance (DRNP)

3664

#### 3665 4.3.7.3.1 Context Management (CM)

3666 The CM logon function can only be aircraft initiated. The aircraft system uses the  
3667 logon function to provide an application name, address, and version number for  
3668 each application that the aircraft wishes to use that can be ground initiated, along  
3669 with the Origin and Destination airports as required by the ground system. In  
3670 response, the ground provides an application name and version number for each  
3671 ground-only initiated requested application.

3672 To support auto transfer from one center to the next, CM contact function provides a  
3673 method for the ATS ground system to request the aircraft system to initiate the  
3674 logon function with the ATS ground system indicated in the CM contact. The ATS  
3675 ground system initiates this function with a contact request specifying the ATS  
3676 ground system CM application address with which to logon. The aircraft initiates a  
3677 logon and provides the information indicating whether or not the requested contact  
3678 was successful. The Context Management logon messages and sequence are  
3679 detailed in DO-350 and ED-229.

3680 For architecture with dual datalink systems (dual stack), the CM function should  
3681 support the auto transfer from one datalink system to another datalink system.

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#### 3683 4.3.7.3.2 Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC)

3684 The ATN Baseline 2 controller-pilot message exchange function defines a method  
3685 for a controller and pilot to exchange information via data link as detailed in DO-350  
3686 and ED-229. This function provides messages for the following:

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- 3687 • General information exchange
- 3688 • Clearance delivery, request, and response
- 3689 • Departure Clearance
- 3690 • Taxi Instructions
- 3691 • Separation Assurance
- 3692 • Route modification
- 3693 • Advanced Interval Management
- 3694 • 4D trajectory based operation
- 3695 • Dynamic RNP

3696 The aircraft system shall-should allow the flight crew to view the message with no  
 3697 more than a single action and allow the flight crew to access the list/queue of  
 3698 unread messages with no more than a single action. The aircraft system should  
 3699 display the messages on a display in the primary field of view.

3700 The aircraft data link system shall-should provide the flight crew with the capability  
 3701 to load designated CPDLC uplink messages into the FMS to avoid hazards  
 3702 associated with human entry errors and/or increased workload. The following  
 3703 clearance messages are prone to these hazards:

- 3704 • A clearance that will require the creation, in the resulting flight plan, of more  
 3705 than one waypoint unless the route is described by a procedure name that  
 3706 can be loaded from the navigation database,
- 3707 • A clearance that will require the creation, in the resulting flight plan, of one  
 3708 waypoint specified by place-bearing-distance or latitude/longitude with a  
 3709 resolution smaller than whole degrees.

3710 The aircraft data link system will provide the flight crew with assistance to create  
 3711 CPDLC downlink messages to avoid any safety implications (i.e., human entry  
 3712 errors and/or significant increased workload). The following downlink messages are  
 3713 prone to these hazards:

- 3714 • request messages which contain more than one waypoint
- 3715 • report messages of the present aircraft position or containing one (or more)  
 3716 waypoint(s) from the FMS active flight plan.

## 3718 4.3.7.3.3 Automatic Dependent Surveillance (ADS-C)

3719 The ADS-C application provides automatic reports from an aircraft system to an  
 3720 ATSU as detailed in DO-350. The ATSU is capable of requesting the aircraft system  
 3721 to provide the ADS-C reports to the ATSU system in three ways:

- 3722 • on demand
- 3723 • on a periodic basis
- 3724 • when triggered by an event

3725 Only one contract of a given type is permitted at one time per ATSU. When the  
 3726 ATSU sends a contract request to an aircraft system for a periodic or event  
 3727 contract, and either of these two contracts already exists with that aircraft, then the  
 3728 new contract will override the previous contract for that type. Acceptance of an  
 3729 event or periodic contract request implicitly cancels an existing respective event or  
 3730 periodic contract. Since the demand contract is satisfied by sending a single report,  
 3731 any number of demand contracts may be sequentially established with a given  
 3732 aircraft. The ATSU is capable to cancel either a single contract or all contracts in

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3733 operation that it has established with an aircraft. The ATSU specifies either which  
 3734 contract(s) to cancel by identifying the contract type(s), or specifying to cancel all  
 3735 contracts. The aircraft system acknowledges the cancellation and ceases sending  
 3736 the ADS-C reports for the cancelled contract(s). The aircraft system is capable of  
 3737 providing ADS-C reports to support contract requests. The ADS-C reports content  
 3738 and the conditions under which the report is sent vary depending on the type of  
 3739 contract request and the conditions specified in the request. The aircraft system is  
 3740 capable of supporting contract requests with at least five ground systems  
 3741 simultaneously. In addition, when in emergency mode, the aircraft system provides  
 3742 an emergency/urgency indication as part of each downlink ADS-C messages  
 3743 including the ADS-C report.

3744 Each contract request can specify the data groups to be transmitted:

- 3745 • Basic ADS-C
- 3746 • air vector
- 3747 • ground vector
- 3748 • projected profile
- 3749 • MET data
- 3750 • RTA status data
- 3751 • extended projected profile
- 3752 • planned final approach speed
- 3753 • RNP status

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3756 The predicted altitudes in ADS reports should be the level at which  
 3757 the aircraft is predicted to sequence the point. When the aircraft is off  
 3758 the vertical reference path this altitude may be different than the  
 3759 predicted reference path altitude.

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3762 **4.3.8 Airport Surface Guidance**

3763 ~~[This section is deleted by Supplement 5].~~

3764 **4.3.9 Terrain and Obstacle Data**

3765 ~~[This section is deleted by Supplement 5].~~

3766 **4.3.10 Electronic Map Interfaces**3767 **4.3.8.14.3.10.1 Navigation Display Interface**

3768 The system should ~~provide for support~~ an interface with a Navigation Display (ND) in  
 3769 order to provide an Electronic Flight Instrument System (EFIS or EIS) for the  
 3770 purpose of lateral situational awareness (ie. eg. aircraft position, lateral  
 3771 route trajectory, nearby nav aids, etc). RTCA DO-257() defines requirements for the  
 3772 ND Based on the architecture, the FMCF may provide data for use by an external  
 3773 symbol generator or may provide a series of drawing commands. The EFIS ND  
 3774 interface is detailed in Section 7.0; the CDS interface is in ARINC 661 supporting  
 3775 navigation data display described in this characteristic. The standard interface

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3776 ~~between the EFIS and the flight management function, detailing the interface data~~  
3777 ~~and formats, etc., may be found in Section 7 of this Characteristic.~~

3778 In addition to the map background data and the aircraft position, the system should  
3779 supply a number of other dynamic other data items that are shown on the  
3780 navigation displays contribute to lateral situation awareness. These may include:

- 3781 • Wind (either cross wind and headwind components or magnitude and  
3782 bearing)
- 3783 • Time and distance to go to the next waypoint
- 3784 • Ground speed
- 3785 • Vertical deviation when guiding to the descent path
- 3786 • Trend vector showing current rate and direction of turn

3787 ~~Independent displays should be provided for the pilot and copilot by each of the two~~  
3788 ~~Flight Management Computers Functions (FMC/FME). Thus, each pilot may select~~  
3789 ~~different map ranges, modes, or options. The system should support independent~~  
3790 ~~ND displays such that each pilot may select different map ranges, modes, or~~  
3791 ~~options.~~

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3793 **4.3.10.2 Vertical Situation Display Interface**

3794 ~~The system may support an interface with a Vertical Situation Display (VSD) in~~  
3795 ~~order to provide vertical situational awareness (e.g. vertical aircraft position, AFCS~~  
3796 ~~Control Panel Altitude, altitude constraints, descent reference path, vertical~~  
3797 ~~trajectory predictions, terrain, etc). RTCA DO-257() defines requirements for the~~  
3798 ~~VSD. Based on the architecture, the FMF may provide data for use by an external~~  
3799 ~~symbol generator or may provide a series of drawing commands. The CDS~~  
3800 ~~interface is in ARINC 661.~~

3801 In addition to the map background data, vertical aircraft position, and AFCS Control  
3802 Panel Altitude, the system should supply a number of other other dynamic data  
3803 items that are shown on the vertical situation displays contribute to vertical  
3804 awareness. These may include:

- 3805 Time to go to the next waypoint
- 3806 • Vertical speed
- 3807 • Vertical deviation when guiding to the descent path
- 3808 • Trend vector showing current flight path angle

3809 ~~The system should support independent VSD displays such that each pilot should~~  
3810 ~~be provided for the pilot and copilot by each of the two Flight Management~~  
3811 ~~Functions (FMF). Thus, each pilot may select different map ranges, modes, or~~  
3812 ~~options.~~

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3814 **4.3.94.3.11 CMU Interface**

3815 The system should provide for an interface with a CMU for the purpose of  
3816 supporting all data link functionality described in this characteristic. The standard  
3817 interface between the CMU and the flight management function, detailing the

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3818 interface data and formats, may be found in Section 8.0 of this characteristic.  
3819 Message formats for AOC communications are defined in ATTACHMENT 7.

3820 ~~4.3.10~~ **4.3.12 Predictive Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring (RAIM)**

3821 Optional capability may be provided for the FMS to transmit the selected destination  
3822 latitude, longitude, and ETA to the GNSS when a flight plan has been activated  
3823 ~~4.3.12 Predictive Receiver Autonomous Integrity~~ and predicted. The purpose of this  
3824 capability is for the prediction of the availability of GNSS satellite coverage for the  
3825 approach phase of the flight. The GNSS should respond to whether adequate  
3826 satellite coverage is anticipated. If not, the system should immediately alert the  
3827 crew. Interface requirements for this capability are defined in ARINC Characteristic  
3828 743A, Appendix C.

3829 **4.3.13 Precision-Like Approach Guidance**

3830 With the advent of advanced navigation sensors and airborne systems, two  
3831 methods have been developed that allow non-precision approaches to be flown like  
3832 an ILS, MLS, or GLS precision approach: LP/LPV Approaches and FMS Landing  
3833 System (FLS)

3834 LP/LPV Approaches are analogous to GLS approaches. Both LP/LPV and GLS are  
3835 satellite-based operations using an augmented GNSS solution. In a GLS approach,  
3836 a ground station transmits both (a) corrections to a GNSS signal, and (b) a Final  
3837 Approach Segment (FAS) Data Block which defines the localizer and glideslope  
3838 beams. When tuned to the GLS channel number, a receiver onboard the aircraft  
3839 receives those signals and computes ILS look-alike deviations for use by the  
3840 autoflight and display systems. In an LP/LPV approach, a receiver onboard the  
3841 aircraft receives corrections to the GNSS signal from a satellite-based system  
3842 (SBAS) rather than a ground-based system (GBAS); it typically receives the FAS  
3843 Data Block from the onboard Flight Management System.

3844 For any non-precision approach, some Flight Management Systems support an FLS  
3845 guidance mode where the onboard FMS navigation solution may be used to provide  
3846 the autoflight and display systems with ILS look-alike deviations.

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3848 **4.3.13.1 Approach Navigation Data Base Exchange LP/LPV Approach Guidance**

3849 On some installations, the system supports LP/LPV approach capability when used  
3850 in conjunction with an ARINC 743B GNSS Landing System Sensor Unit (GLSSU)  
3851 (RTCA DO-229 Delta-4 SBAS receiver) or an ARINC 755 Multi-Mode Receiver  
3852 (MMR) supporting the GLS function. The GLSSU (or MMR) provides the lateral  
3853 and vertical deviations (ILS look-alike) and guidance during the final approach  
3854 segment.

3855 On those installations, upon crew selection of the desired LP/LPV approach, the  
3856 system should extract the Final Approach Segment (FAS) data block from its  
3857 navigation database and transmit it to the GLSSU/MMR. The protocol to exchange  
3858 the FAS data block is described in ARINC 743B Appendix D and ARINC755  
3859 Appendix A. The Final Approach Segment (FAS) data block includes a 32-bit Cyclic  
3860 Redundancy Check (CRC) value ensuring the integrity of the data from the time of  
3861 the original packet generation.

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3862 [Upon crew activation of a new approach where the previously selected Final](#)  
 3863 [Approach Segment is no longer applicable, the system should invalidate the](#)  
 3864 [previously sent Final Approach Segment Data Message \(FASDM\).](#)

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 3866 One possible implementation of this function provides for the FMC to transmit to the  
 3867 GNSS landing function the final approach path data packet as extracted from the  
 3868 FMC navigation data base when the approach has been selected and the GNSS  
 3869 landing function has been armed for the approach. The final approach data packet  
 3870 would include a 32-bit Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) value to ensure the  
 3871 integrity of the packet that was preserved from the time of the original packet  
 3872 generation. Specific recommendations will be provided in a future revision to this  
 3873 document.

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 3875 **[4.3.13.2 FMS Landing System \(FLS\)](#)**

3876 [The system may support a virtual ILS guidance capability which can be used to fly a](#)  
 3877 [non-precision final approach segment. This capability is referred to as FMS Landing](#)  
 3878 [System \(FLS\).](#)

3879 [When an FLS capability is provided and the crew has selected a non-precision](#)  
 3880 [approach, the system should provide a means for the crew to select or de-select](#)  
 3881 [FLS guidance for the final approach. When FLS is selected and lateral guidance is](#)  
 3882 [not already being provided by a ground-based localizer \(if allowed\), the system](#)  
 3883 [should compute a virtual localizer path. When FLS is selected, the system should](#)  
 3884 [compute a virtual glideslope path. For the virtual glideslope path, the anchor point](#)  
 3885 [should be located such that the aircraft can maintain a constant vertical angle to the](#)  
 3886 [landing threshold point \(LTP\), even in cases where the MAP is not located at the](#)  
 3887 [runway or there is a curved lateral path to the runway. When FLS guidance is](#)  
 3888 [selected, the system should interface to the autoflight and/or display systems to](#)  
 3889 [allow the virtual localizer and/or glideslope to be flown. When the system cannot](#)  
 3890 [support FLS guidance for the selected non-precision approach, the system should](#)  
 3891 [prohibit selection of FLS guidance and/or provide an indication to the crew.](#)

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 3893 **[COMMENTARY](#)**

3894 [FLS guidance must comply with the Temperature Compensation](#)  
 3895 [Requirements in Section 4.3.2.5.4-4.3.3.2.2.8.](#)

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 3897 **[4.3.11.14.3.14 Integrity Monitoring and Alerting](#)**

3898 **[4.3.11.14.3.14.1 Sensor Status](#)**

3899 Sensor warning inputs will be implemented as specified in ARINC Specification 429,  
 3900 Section 2.1, in that validity status is contained within the digital word format.

3901 In all cases of sensor input failure, suitable sensor failure warning and degraded  
 3902 status annunciation should be provided.

3903 **[4.3.11.24.3.14.2 System Status Alert](#)**

3904 Any change of status that results in reduced system operational capability or  
 3905 availability should be annunciated to the pilot on, or adjacent to, primary flight

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3906 instruments. Additional data for use in diagnosing the reason for the change will be  
3907 of value if it can be displayed on the MCDU or output to an onboard printer of data  
3908 collection system (e.g., through the data loader interface). Means should be  
3909 provided to cancel the alert.

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3911 The system status alert is designed only to attract the attention of the  
3912 pilot to the fact that something has happened either within the system  
3913 or to one of the sensors that has degraded or will degrade the  
3914 operational viability of the system. It will be necessary for the pilot to  
3915 look for further signs to determine the actual problem and whether or  
3916 not he can correct it.

3917 System integrity monitoring and failure warning discrete outputs are described in  
3918 Section 5.3 of this Characteristic. All other such alerts and warnings are included in  
3919 the transmitted digital word as specified in ARINC Specification 429, Section 2.1.

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3921 [4.3.11.34.3.14.3](#) **Self-Test**

3922 The FMC should be designed to perform automatic self-tests of its internal  
3923 operation, and reasonableness tests on input data during normal operation. The  
3924 FMC will generate digital output buses which will include malfunction codes to  
3925 indicate the FMC's assessment of its health, and the status of its interfaces.

3926 [4.3.11.44.3.14.4](#) **Failure Response**

3927 The system should monitor its own health and processing for integrity. When an  
3928 error is detected, the system should record the failure in a nonvolatile BITE log and  
3929 attempt to recover from or correct the error if possible. If an attempted fault recovery  
3930 is unsuccessful, the system should prevent further processing in the affected  
3931 partition.

3932 **COMMENTARY**

3933 The airlines desire a high degree of fault tolerance in the FMS.  
3934 System recovery logic for intermittent faults should be designed to  
3935 minimize visible flight deck effects and loss of system availability.

3936 **4.4 Training Simulator Support Functions**

3937 FMS requirements for simulator support functions are defined in ARINC Report  
3938 610B().

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3941 **5.1 FMC Digital Data Input Ports**

3942 This section describes the digital interfaces to the FMC. It is unlikely that all of these  
3943 inputs will be employed in a given installation. Those not used in a particular aircraft  
3944 type need not be implemented in the FMC. However, hardware, software, and  
3945 computer cycle time capacity should be available to allow all of them to be activated  
3946 when needed.

3947 **COMMENTARY**

3948 Data signaling for inputs and outputs to the FMC should be in the  
3949 ARINC 429 low-speed rates, except where otherwise specified. The  
3950 data signals are defined in Attachment 4 of this document.

3951 Providing for FMC interchangeability across different aircraft types in  
3952 a user's fleet may generate the need for the computer to offer more  
3953 input capacity than needed on any one of those types.

3954 **5.1.1 VOR Input Ports**

3955 Two ARINC 429 input ports are provided to receive data from dual ARINC 711 VOR  
3956 receivers.

3957 **5.1.2 DME Input Ports**

3958 Two ARINC 429 input ports are provided to receive data from dual ARINC 709 DME  
3959 interrogators.

3960 **5.1.3 ILS/MMR Input Port**

3961 One ARINC 429 input port will receive data from an ARINC 710 ILS receiver or an  
3962 ARINC 755 Multi-Mode Landing System Receiver (MMR).

3963 **COMMENTARY**

3964 These ports are used to support LP/LPV approaches when interfacing to an ARINC  
3965 755 MMR

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3967 **5.1.4 Air Data Input Ports**

3968 Two ARINC 429 input ports will receive data from dual ARINC 706 Air Data  
3969 Systems or ARINC 738 Air Data Inertial Reference Unit (ADIRU).

3970 **5.1.5 IRS/AHRS Input Ports**

3971 Three ARINC 429 input ports will receive data from ARINC 704 IRS, ARINC 705  
3972 AHRS or ARINC 738 ADIRU systems. These are ARINC 429 high-speed inputs.

3973 **5.1.6 GNSS Input Ports**

3974 Two ARINC 429 input ports should receive data from an ARINC 743A GNSS  
3975 Sensor. These may be ARINC 429 high-speed or low-speed inputs. The ARINC  
3976 743A GNSS Sensor is capable of providing ARINC 429 data in high-speed or low-  
3977 speed format.

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3979		<b>COMMENTARY</b>
3980		<a href="#">These ports are used to support LP/LPV approaches when interfacing to an ARINC 743B GLSSU or an ARINC 755 MMR</a>
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3982	<b>5.1.7 Flight Control System Input Ports</b>	
3983		One ARINC 429 input port will receive data from an ARINC 701 Flight Control System glare shield controller.
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3985	<b>5.1.8 MCDU Input Ports</b>	
3986		Two ARINC 429 input ports are provided to receive data from one or two MCDUs.
3987		One of these ports is designated the “on-side” port and the other is designated the “off-side” port (see Attachment 3 of this document).
3988		
3989	<b>5.1.9 Data Loader Input Ports (ARINC 615)</b>	
3990		One ARINC 429 input port is dedicated to receive data to update bulk storage integral to the FMC. This port is intended for an interface with a loading device of the type described in ARINC <a href="#">Report-615</a> . The characteristics of the digital data transmission on this bus are defined to the extent necessary in that document.
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3994	<b>5.1.10 Data Link Input Ports</b>	
3995		The FMC should provide two ARINC 429 high-speed input ports to receive data from up to two ARINC 758 CMUs.
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3997		The FMC should provide two ARINC 429 low-speed input ports to receive data from up to two ARINC 724B ACARS Management Units or to support existing ACARS functionality integrated into the ARINC 758 CMU.
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4000		<b>COMMENTARY</b>
4001		Dual ACARS low-speed inputs can be accommodated by using a software selectable speed input for at least one of the CMU inputs.
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4003	<b>5.1.11 Intersystem Data Input Port</b>	
4004		One ARINC 429 input port provides the intersystem comparison data received from a second FMC.
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4006		<b>COMMENTARY</b>
4007		As an alternative to ARINC 429, a faster intersystem data bus may be necessary. Refer also to Sections 5.2.1 and 5.4.
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4009	<b>5.1.12 Propulsion/Configuration Data Input Ports</b>	
4010		Six ARINC 429 input ports are provided for engine and fuel flow and quantity parameters and data received from the Thrust Control Computer (TCC).
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4012		<b>COMMENTARY</b>
4013		It is intended that four of these ports should be assigned for receiving individual engine and fuel flow data from up to four engines or fuel systems. The remaining two ports would normally receive other data such as thrust limit, fuel quantity, and TCC data.
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4017	<b>5.1.13 Electronic Flight Instrument System Input Ports</b>	
4018		Two ARINC 429 input ports are provided for data from an Electronic Flight Instrument system. This interface may provide interface capability to the Cursor
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4020 Control Device (CCD). This capability may be provided by a separate input as  
4021 defined in Section 5.1.19.

4022 **5.1.14 Printer**

4023 One ARINC 429 input port is provided for data from an ARINC 740 or ARINC 744  
4024 airborne printer.

4025 **5.1.15 Digital Clock Input**

4026 One ARINC 429 input port is provided for data from a digital clock. The clock input  
4027 may be provided from a GNSS source, in which case the GNSS input is utilized per  
4028 Section 5.1.6. In this case a dedicated clock input port is not required.

4029 **5.1.16 Maintenance Input**

4030 One ARINC 429 low-speed input port is provided for interface to an ARINC 604 or  
4031 624 maintenance system.

4032 **5.1.17 WBS Input**

4033 One ARINC 429 input port is reserved for input of data from an ARINC 737 On-  
4034 Board Weight and Balance System (WBS).

4035 **5.1.18 Simulator Input**

4036 A serial digital input is required to support ARINC 610B simulator functions. As a  
4037 manufacturer option, this input may be shared with other interfaces not requiring  
4038 simultaneous use, such as maintenance or data loader inputs.

4039 **5.1.19 Pointing Device**

4040 Two high-speed ARINC 429 input ports are reserved for input from dual cockpit  
4041 pointing devices.

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These ports are retained for compatibility with unknown systems  
should they exist. It is expected that all future systems will receive  
graphical user interface inputs via an ARINC 661 CDS interface.

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4047 **5.1.20 ASAS Input**

4048 One ARINC 429 high-speed port is reserved for input of data from an Aircraft  
4049 Separation Assurance System (ASAS) system.

4050 **5.1.21 Reserved Ports for Growth Inputs**

4051 Four ARINC 429 input ports are reserved. These ports should be software  
4052 selectable as ARINC 429 high-speed or low-speed inputs.

4053 **5.2 FMC Digital Data Outputs**

4054 Separate buffered ARINC 429 data output ports are provided to drive the MCDUs  
4055 and other subsystems requiring FMC data.

4056 **5.2.1 FMC Intersystem Output**

4057 The FMC should provide an output bus which can be used for intersystem  
4058 communication from one FMC to another. Section 5.4 of this document provides  
4059 guidance on intersystem communications.

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It may be necessary to exchange data at higher data rates than possible on an ARINC 429 data bus. In these cases, an alternative data bus may be used. Any alternative data bus should meet the same EMI requirements of ARINC 429.

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**5.2.2 General Data Output**4066  
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Two ARINC 429 outputs provide data to flight instruments, to radio receivers or frequency management unit for tuning, to the Thrust Control Computer System, Flight Control Computer System, and other users. They may also provide initialization data to the IRS. [Optionally, they may include the FAS data block to an ARINC 743B GLSSU or ARINC 755 MMR.](#)

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The amount of data to be carried may require the use of ARINC 429 high-speed buses.

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**5.2.3 Primary Display Data Output**4075  
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Two ARINC 429 high-speed outputs are dedicated to supplying data for the Electronic Flight Instrument systems.

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The specialized design of the FMC/EFI interface makes these outputs unsuitable for supplying other displays such as digital electromechanical instruments. The general data outputs should be used for these purposes. See Section 7.0 of this document.

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**5.2.4 MCDU Output Ports**4082  
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Two ARINC 429 outputs provide the means for the FMC to supply data to the MCDUs for the system.

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**5.2.5 Data Loader Output**

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One ARINC 429 output is provided for interface to an ARINC 615 data loader.

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**5.2.6 Data Link Output Ports**4087  
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One ARINC 429 high-speed output is provided for connection to an ARINC 758 CMU.

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One ARINC 429 low-speed output is provided for connection to an ARINC 724B ACARS Management Unit, or to support existing ACARS functionality integrated into the ARINC 758 CMU.

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**5.2.7 Autothrottle (Reserved)**4093  
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One ARINC 429 output is reserved to supply data to an Electronic Engine Control (EEC) computer.

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**5.2.8 Printer**4096  
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One ARINC 429 high-speed output is reserved for the output of data to an ARINC 740 or ARINC 744 printer.

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**5.2.9 Onboard Maintenance**4099  
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One ARINC 429 output is reserved for the output of data to an ARINC 604 or 624 onboard maintenance system.

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4101 **5.2.10 Programmable Data Output**

4102 One ARINC 429 high-speed output is provided to support flight test data collection.

4103 **5.2.11 Simulator**

4104 A serial digital output is required to support ARINC 610B simulator functions. As a  
4105 manufacturer option, this output may be shared with other interfaces not requiring  
4106 simultaneous use, such as maintenance or data loader inputs.

4107 **5.2.12 Aircraft State and Intent Path Output (Trajectory Bus)**

4108 The FMC should include an ARINC 429 high-speed bus to provide Position Velocity  
4109 Time (PVT) and intent data from the FMC. This data may be used for surveillance  
4110 applications such as ADS-B, Terrain Awareness and Warning System (TAWS),  
4111 Terrain/Obstacle avoidance, and other situational awareness systems. The  
4112 interface definition is comprised of present aircraft state data that is broadcast at a  
4113 half second (2 Hz) update rate. The FMS should comply with the requirements of  
4114 RTCA DO-229C that specifies that the data defining the position shall be output  
4115 prior to 200 milliseconds after the time of applicability.

4116 Additionally, trajectory intent data for the active flight plan, modified ~~or temporary~~  
4117 flight plan, or other specified flight plan, assumed to be flown in FM managed mode,  
4118 is transmitted as a block data transfer. This data may be used for all types of ATM  
4119 applications.

4120 As an option, the Aircraft State and Trajectory output may be provided by an ARINC  
4121 664 Ethernet interface. ~~The intention is that the same data items are provided; only  
4122 the transfer mechanism(s) are different. In principle, the types of data parameters,  
4123 refresh rates, etc., are similar. However, the reader is cautioned that specific  
4124 differences in the data structure and content are intentional. Ethernet state data is  
4125 not defined herein, as it is expected to be generally available on Ethernet buses.~~

4126 The ~~Ethernet Aircraft State is specified in Section 5.2.12.1.2 and the Ethernet~~  
4127 ~~Trajectory data output is specified in Section 5.2.12.2.25-2.12.2.2.~~ There are no pin  
4128 assignments in this Characteristic for an ARINC 664 Ethernet bus. These interfaces  
4129 may be aircraft specific.

4130 The list of ARINC 429 data words used for the broadcast data is included in ARINC  
4131 Specification 429: Digital Information Transfer System (DITS).

4132 **5.2.12.1 Aircraft State Data**

4133 The aircraft state data from the FMS should include the parameters in ~~Table 5-1 or~~  
4134 ~~Table 5-1~~ ~~Table 5-2~~. Trajectory intent status data should be included as an FMC  
4135 output based on determination if the aircraft is following its FMC specified flight  
4136 plan. Separate discrete bits (label 270 bits 27, 28, 29) are provided to the user to  
4137 aid in the interpretation of trajectory data. These discrete bits indicate whether the  
4138 airplane is being flown to the vertical, lateral, and speed/time targets for the  
4139 trajectory provided with the appropriate automation engaged, as necessary.

4140 This list of data represents information that is expected to be made available on the  
4141 Trajectory intent data bus from the FMC to support multiple functions. It is not  
4142 intended to specify what should be transmitted from the airplane.

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4143 **5.2.12.1.1 A429 Aircraft State**

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**Table 5-1 – Aircraft State and Intent Path Output**

**Table 5-1 A429 Intent Aircraft State Labels**

Label	Parameter	Update Rate
102	FMS Selected Altitude	0.5 sec
103	FMS Selected Airspeed	0.5 sec
106	FMS Selected Mach	0.5 sec
114	FMS Desired Track	0.5 sec
116	Cross Track Distance	0.5 sec
117	Vertical Deviation	0.5 sec
135	Current Vertical Path Perf Limit (Vert RNP)	0.5 sec
136	Current Vertical Path Perf (Vert ANP <sup>(1)</sup> )	0.5 sec
150	UTC	0.5 sec
167	Estimated Position Uncertainty (or ANP)	0.5 sec
171	Current RNP	0.5 sec
233-237	Flight ID	0.5 sec
310	Present Position Latitude	0.5 sec
311	Present Position Longitude	0.5 sec
312	Ground Speed	0.5 sec
313	Track Angle True	0.5 sec
314	True Heading	0.5 sec
315	Wind Speed	0.5 sec
316	Wind Direction	0.5 sec
204	<u>Baro-Corrected Altitude (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
203	<u>Pressure Altitude (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
206	<u>Calibrated Airspeed (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
205	<u>Mach (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
210	<u>True Airspeed (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
213	<u>Static Air Temperature (pass through from ADC)</u>	<u>0.5 sec</u>
320	Magnetic Heading (pass through from IRS)	0.5 sec
325	Roll Data (pass through from IRS)	0.5 sec
335	Track Angle Rate (pass through from IRS)	0.5 sec
365	Inertial Vertical Velocity (pass through from IRS)	0.5 sec
366	N/S Velocity	0.5 sec
367	E/W Velocity	0.5 sec
270	Intent Status bit 29-speed/time controlled bit 28-lateral controlled bit 27-vertical controlled bit 26-no active flight plan intent data bit 25-desired track mag/true ref (1 = true) bit 24-indicates when bus is guidance master	0.5 sec

Table 5-1 – Aircraft State and Intent Path Output

Note 1: Vertical ANP is applied to baro-corrected altitude when below transition altitude. Vertical ANP is applied to transition flight level and barometric altitude when above transition altitude.

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Table 5-1 provides FMS data parameters for surveillance and fully recognizes that other data parameters necessary for surveillance ~~transmit processing are may be~~ provided by other systems (e.g., GPS, inertial system, air data system, Flight Controls system).

~~For example, data available from the air data system is not included in the Aircraft State and Intent Path Output, as the surveillance transmitter (e.g., ATC transponder for ADS-B) would interface directly to the air data system.~~

The integrity data is Estimated Position Uncertainty and Current Vertical Path Performance. It is expected that surveillance systems using this data to transmit an integrity parameter outside the airplane would use these data items (or the appropriate integrity parameters when using data from another source, such as GPS) to compute the requisite integrity parameter as specified by the RTCA MOPS for that particular surveillance application.

5.2.12.1.2 Ethernet Aircraft State

The format of the aircraft state consists of a single block coded in big endian mode. This block should nominally be sent at 2 Hz rate.

Table 5-2 Ethernet Intent Aircraft State Format

Ethernet Aircraft State				
Data	Type	Size (bits)	Units	Comments
Start of Block		8		Start of application block. Code hx53
Block Size	Integer	8	Bytes	Size in bytes of aircraft state data block
Pad	Integer	16	-	hx0000
FMS Selected Altitude	Float	32	ft	Label 102, Note 2
FMS Selected Airspeed	Float	32	kt	Label 103, Note 2
FMS Selected Mach	Float	32	-	Label 106, Note 2
FMS Desired Track	Float	32	deg	Label 114, Note 2
Cross Track Distance	Float	32	NM	Label 116, Note 2
Vertical Deviation	Float	32	ft	Label 117, Note 2
Vertical RNP	Float	32	ft	Label 135, Note 2
Vertical ANP	Float	32	ft	Label 136, Notes 1 & 2

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<u>UTC</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>sec</u>	<u>Label 150, Note 2</u>	
<u>Estimated Position Uncertainty (or ANP)</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>Label 167, Note 2</u>	
<u>Current RNP</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>Label 171, Note 2</u>	
<u>Flight ID</u>	<u>String</u>	<u>m * 32</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Label 233 – Label 237, Note 3</u>	
<u>Present Position Latitude</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 310, Note 2</u>	
<u>Present Position Longitude</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 311, Note 2</u>	
<u>Ground Speed</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kt</u>	<u>Label 312, Note 2</u>	
<u>Track Angle True</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 313, Note 2</u>	
<u>True Heading</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 314, Note 2</u>	
<u>Wind Speed</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kt</u>	<u>Label 315, Note 2</u>	
<u>Wind Direction</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 316, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC Baro-Corrected Altitude</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>ft</u>	<u>Label 204, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC Pressure Altitude</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>ft</u>	<u>Label 203, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC Calibrated Airspeed</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kts</u>	<u>Label 206, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC Mach</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Label 205, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC True Airspeed</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kts</u>	<u>Label 210, Note 2</u>	
<u>ADC Static Air Temperature</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>degC</u>	<u>Label 213, Note 2</u>	
<u>IRS Magnetic Heading</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 320, Note 2</u>	
<u>IRS Roll Angle</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg</u>	<u>Label 325, Note 2</u>	
<u>IRS Track Angle Rate</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>deg/sec</u>	<u>Label 335, Note 2</u>	
<u>IRS Vertical Velocity</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>ft/min</u>	<u>Label 365, Note 2</u>	
<u>N/S Velocity</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kt</u>	<u>Label 366, Note 2</u>	
<u>E/W Velocity</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>kt</u>	<u>Label 367, Note 2</u>	
<u>Intent Status</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Label 270</u>	
<u>End of Block</u>		<u>8</u>		<u>End of application block. Code hx45</u>	

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Notes:

1. Vertical ANP is applied to baro-corrected altitude when below transition altitude. Vertical ANP is applied to transition flight level and barometric altitude when above transition altitude.
2. hxFF 80 00 00 code is reserved to indicate invalid / undefined parameter.
3. Strings are defined as the sequence of n (numbered 1 through n) ASCII characters, 8-bits encoded. Number n is encoded as a 16-bits unsigned integer, and is immediately followed by the n bytes of the string. Padding for 32-bits word shall be filled with 0's (zeroes).

5.2.13-15.2.12.2 Trajectory Intent Data

In addition to the aircraft state data defined above, the FMC should provide an output of the flight path trajectory for each flight plan (i.e., for example, active, modified, secondary, and ATC flight plans). This may be used to support predictive functions such as real time traffic conflict probes, airspace traffic situational awareness, strategic traffic coordination, and terrain/obstacle avoidance. The data should consist of a string of points that describe the predicted trajectory of the aircraft along with the point type and data associated with the flight path transition. This data forms the basis for a using function to be able to unambiguously reconstruct the predicted flight trajectory. This block transmission is for the entire flight trajectory even though a using function may only be interested in a part of the active trajectory. For the active flight plan, this data should be updated underon the following events:

- Whenever an active flight plan change occurs.
- When a lateral waypoint is passed.
- When a defined period has elapsed (on the order of one minute) since the last transmission.

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Other events might require data to be updated. For example, it may be desirable to update the data when there has been a significant change to the predicted trajectory caused by tactical operations or unforecast environmental conditions.

For the modified, secondary and data link flight plans, this data should be updated (at a minimum) when such a the plan is created, deleted or a change is made to these plans modified.

5.2.13.1-15.2.12.2.1 A429 Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format

The A429 Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format is an encapsulation of the Ethernet Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format (5.2.12.2.2). The Ethernet file, including the header and footer, is encapsulated in a series of A429 words as outlined in the table below.

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Refer to Attachment 8 for coding examples of the Trajectory Intent Data File Format.

Table 5-2 – A429 Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format

Table 5-3 A429 Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format

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Word Type Bits 31, 30	Parameter	Bit 29	Format Bits 28-9			Label Bits 8-1
Start Of Transmission 1 1	-----	0	Bits 28-25 -(Note 42) Bits 24-17 -word count Bits 16-9 -LDU sequence			232 for Active Intent (Note 53)
Full Data Word 0 1 (frame start)	Data Descriptor Version	Bits 29-22-13 Pad 0 Bits 21-16 Data Type (Note 6a) Bits 15-13 Geometry (Note 6b) Bits 12-9 Version/Compatibility (Note 6e4)			232	
Full Data Word 0 0	Characteristics Trajectory File	Bits 29-9 Trajectory File Content (5 nibbles)Characteristic (Note 7)			232	
Full Data Word 0 0	Point Latitude	Same as label 310			232	
Full Data Word 0 0	Point Longitude	Same as label 311			232	
Full Data Word 0 0	Point Altitude	Same as label 361 (Note 2) (less than -2000 feet = NCD)			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Point ETA UTC	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 150		232	
Full Data Word 0 0	Path RNP	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 171		232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Point CAS or Point Mach <sup>(3)</sup>	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 103 (CAS) or Same as label 106 (Mach)		232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Wind Speed	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 315		232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	True Wind Direction	Same as label 316			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Point name	Bits 29-23 Char #3	Bits 22-16 Char #2	Bits 15-9 Char #1	232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Point name	Bits 29-23 Char #6	Bits 22-16 Char #5	Bits 15-9 Char #4	232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Point name	Bits 29-23 Pad 0	Bits 22-16 Pad 0	Bits 15-9 Char #7	232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Named Point Ref Latitude	Same as label 310			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Named Point Ref Longitude	Same as label 311			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Altitude Constraint Lower Bound	Same as label 361 (less than zero feet = no lower bound)			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Altitude Constraint Upper Bound	Same as label 361 (more than 50000 feet = no upper bound)			232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Earliest ETA UTC	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 150		232	
Full Data Word <sup>(4)</sup> 0 0	Latest ETA UTC	0 = valid 1 = NCD	Same as label 150		232	
Full Data Word <sup>(2)</sup> 0 0	Turn Radius	Sign	Bits 28-13 -range ± 512 nm		232	

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Word Type Bits 31, 30	Parameter	Bit 29	Format Bits 28-9	Label Bits 8-1
		negative = left	-resolution = 0.0078125 nm	
Full Data Word <sup>(2)</sup> 0 0	Turn Center Latitude		Same as label 310	232
Full Data Word <sup>(2)</sup> 0 0	Turn Center Longitude		Same as label 311	232
Repeat Full Data Word group starting with frame start (01) as necessary to the end of trajectory. After 253 Full Data Words a new LDU must be started.				
End Of Transmission 1 1	-----	1	Bits 28-26 0 0 0 Bits 25 final LDU = 1 Bits 24-9 CRC	232
(1) Full Data Word only included as specified in Data Type table (Note 6a) (2) Only included if arc to point (Geometry code 010) (3) Parameter defined by Characteristics bit 12				

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- ~~1.~~ Only point types that are implemented need to be encoded. This provides for different levels of FMS implementation.
- ~~2.~~ Refer to Section 4.3.3.2.1, Trajectory Predictions, where altitude reference is described. By definition, altitude is flight level above the transition altitude/level, and MSL is below.
- ~~3.~~ Because of multiple users (sink) of this file, no RTS, CTS, ACK, or NAK protocol is provided. Receivers must be capable of handling the block file transfer when the transmitter sends it.
- ~~4.~~ Start of transmission word, Bits 28-25 describe provisions for alternate content.
- ~~5.~~ The following labels are used for different flight plan types:

Label	Flight Plan Type
232	Active
242	Modified
252	Secondary
262	Data Link

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6a. Data Type codes are as follows:

Bits 21-16 Data Type Integer Value	Data Includes ETA	Data Includes point speed, wind speed, wind direction	Data Includes point name, ref latitude, ref longitude	Data Includes lower altitude constraint, upper altitude constraint	Data includes earliest-ETA, latest-ETA
0					
1	YES				
2	YES	YES			
3			YES		
4	YES		YES		
5	YES	YES	YES		
6			YES	YES	
7	YES		YES	YES	
8	YES	YES	YES	YES	
9	YES	YES	YES		YES
10	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
11-63 SPARE					

Point name corresponds to a flight plan waypoint crossing location where the point lies on the trajectory and not necessarily the waypoint location. The identifier is provided as part of the data set for this point.

6b. Geometry codes are as follows:

Bits 15-13	Geometry
000	Start point
001	Line to point
010	Arc to point
---	Reserved for growth
111	Reserved for growth

6c. Version/Compatibility codes are as follows:

Bits 12-9	Version
0000	ARINC 702A-2 (2005)
0001	ARINC 702A-3 (2006) <sup>1</sup>
0010	ARINC 702A-4 (2014) <sup>1</sup>
0011	Reserved ARINC 702A-5 (2018)
----	Reserved
1111	Reserved

Note

1. — The definition of Aircraft State and Intent Path Output (Trajectory Bus) (Section 5.2.12) is identical in ARINC 702A-3 and ARINC 702A-4.

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7. Characteristic codes are as follows:

Bits 29- 9	Characteristics	Description
29	Start of climb	The point where the trajectory will begin a climb segment following a level (intermediate or cruise) segment.
28	Top of climb	Where the trajectory arrives at the cruise flight level. There will be one top-of-climb point for each cruise flight level (step climbs).
27	Top of descent	The point where the trajectory begins a descent from the cruise flight level.
26	End of descent	The point in the trajectory where the descent procedure ends. Subsequent points will correspond to an approach procedure or may include a vertical

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49	Unnamed fix	A point inserted between other FMS trajectory points, not corresponding to any other specific point type, so as to provide more complete definition of the trajectory. The unnamed fix includes any vertical points not specifically identified by other characteristics necessary to describe the vertical trajectory.
48	Aircraft projection	Indicates that the point corresponds to the projection of the airplane's present position onto the current flight plan leg.
47	Non-flyable	Indicates that the trajectory from the previous point to this one is unflyable.
46	Discontinuity	Indicates that the trajectory from the previous point to this one is undefined.

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45	Runway	Indicates that the point corresponds to a runway.
44	Start of descent	The point where the trajectory begins a descent from intermediate level segments.
43	RTA point	The first point with a Required Time of Arrival (RTA) constraint.
42	Speed is Mach	Point speed is Calibrated Air Speed (CAS) if zero. Mach if one.
41	Clearance Altitude Level-off	Indicates the point where the aircraft will level off at selected altitude.
40	Current or next leg	Indicates that the segment belongs at least partially to the active or the next leg.
9	Reserved	

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4248 The format of the trajectory data uses blocks containing a header, body, and footer.  
4249 All elements shall be coded in big endian mode.

4250 **Table 5-3—Ethernet Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format**

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4251 **Table 5-4 Ethernet Trajectory Intent File Transfer Format**

HEADER			
Data	Type	Size (bits)	Comments
Start_of_block		8	Start of application block. Code hx53
Flight Plan type	Integer	8	(Note 1)
Trajectory_sequence_number	Integer	8	From 1 to 255 (0 reserved for special use) (Note 9)
Header_size	Integer	8	Size in byte of the header including pad
Trajectory_file_size	Integer	32	Size in byte of the file (does not include header nor footer)
Block_number	Integer	8	Number of application block starting with "0"
Number_of_blocks	Integer	8	Total number of application blocks for the transmitted file
Pad		16	hx0000
Block_size	Integer	32	Size in byte of application block including header and footer
Transition_altitude	Signed Integer	32	Initial climb transition altitude in feet (Note 6)
Climb_baro_setting	Float	32	Climb baro setting in hPa. (Note 6)
Transition_FL	Signed Integer	32	Descent transition FL in feet (converted by FL x 100) (Note 6)
<u>Descent_baro_setting</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Descent baro setting in hPa (Note 6)</u>
<u>Climb Speed Schedule CAS</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Climb Speed Schedule CAS in knots (Note 6)</u>
<u>Climb Speed Schedule MACH</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Climb Speed Schedule MACH (Note 6)</u>
<u>Cruise Speed Schedule CAS</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Cruise Speed Schedule CAS in knots (Note 6)</u>
<u>Cruise Speed Schedule MACH</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Cruise Speed Schedule MACH (Note 6)</u>
<u>Descent Speed Schedule CAS</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Descent Speed Schedule CAS in knots (Note 6)</u>
<u>Descent Speed Schedule MACH</u> <u>Descent_baro_setting</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Descent Speed Schedule MACH (Note 6)</u> <u>Descent baro setting in hPa (Note 6)</u>
BODY			

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Data	Type	Size (bits)	Comments
Geometry	Integer	3	Always included. (Note 2)
Data Type	Integer	5	Always included. (Note 3)
Characteristics	Integer	24	Always included. (Note 4)
Path RNP	Float	32	Always included. (Note 6) RNP in NM.
Point Latitude	Float	32	Always included. (Note 6) Latitude in degrees.
Point Longitude	Float	32	Always included. (Note 6) Longitude in degrees.
Turn Radius	Float	32	Only included if geometry is arc to point. (Note 6) Radius in NM.
Turn Center Latitude	Float	32	Only included if geometry is arc to point. (Note 6) Latitude in degrees.
Turn Center Longitude	Float	32	Only included if geometry is arc to point. (Note 6) Longitude in degrees.
Point Altitude	Signed Integer	32	Always included. See bit 1 and 2 of characteristics (Note 4, Note 5) for altitude reference. (Note 6) Altitude in feet.
Point ETA	Integer	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) ETA in seconds (UTC)
Point Speed	Float	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Mach if value between 0-10 CAS in kt if value greater than 10
<u>Point</u> Wind Speed	Float	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Speed in kt.
<u>Point</u> Wind Direction	Float	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Direction in degrees.
Point Name	String	m * 32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6, Note 7)
Ref Latitude	Float	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Latitude in degrees.
Ref Longitude	Float	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Longitude in degrees.
Altitude Constraint, Lower Bound	Signed Integer	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Altitude in feet.
Altitude Constraint, Upper Bound	Signed Integer	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6) Altitude in feet.
Earliest ETA	Integer	32	Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6)

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			ETA in seconds (UTC).
<u>Latest ETA</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6)</u> <u>ETA in seconds (UTC).</u>
<u>Data Type Extension</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8)</u>
<u>Point Fuel</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8) Note 6?</u> <u>Fuel in lbs</u>
<u>Point Temperature</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8) Note 6?</u> <u>Temperature in °C</u>
<u>Point Path Altitude</u>	<u>Signed Integer</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8)</u> <u>(Note 4, Note 5) for altitude reference. Note 6?</u> <u>Altitude in feet.</u>
<u>Point Path Speed</u>	<u>Float</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8) Note 6?</u> <u>Mach if value between 0-10</u> <u>CAS in kt if value greater than 10</u>
<u>Speed Constraint Type</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0 = NONE</u> <u>1 = AT or BELOW</u> <u>2 = AT</u> <u>3 = AT or ABOVE</u>
<u>Speed Constraint Value</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8)</u> <u>Speed in kt</u>
<u>RTA Constraint Type</u>	<u>Integer</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0 = NONE</u> <u>1 = AT or BEFORE</u> <u>2 = AT</u> <u>3 = AT or AFTER</u>
<u>RTA Constraint Value</u> <u>Latest ETA</u>	<u>Integer</u> <u>Integer</u>	<u>24</u> <u>32</u>	<u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 8)</u> <u>RTA in seconds (UTC).</u> <u>Only included as specified in Data Type Table. (Note 3, Note 6)</u> <u>ETA in seconds (UTC).</u>
<b>FOOTER</b>			
<b>Data</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Size (bits)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
End of block		8	End of application block. Code hx45
Pad		24	hx000000

Notes:

- The following coding is used for different flight plan types:

<b>Integer Value</b>	<b>Flight Plan Type</b>
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0	Reserved
1	Partial Portion of Active
2	Active
3	Secondary
4	Data Link
5	Modified/Temporary
6 - 255	Spare

2. Geometry codes are as followed:

Integer Value	Geometry
0	Not Used
1	Start Point 3D
2	Line to point 3D
3	Arc to point 3D
4 - to 7	

3. Data Type codes are as follows:

Data Type Integer Value	Data Includes ETA	Data Includes point speed, wind speed, wind direction	Data Includes point name, ref latitude, ref longitude	Data Includes lower altitude constraint, upper altitude constraint	Data Includes earliest ETA, latest ETA	Data Includes extension field Data includes earliest ETA, latest ETA
0						
1	YES					
2	YES	YES				
3			YES			
4	YES		YES			
5	YES	YES	YES			
6			YES	YES		
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4. Characteristic codes are as follows:

Bits 1-24	Characteristics	Description
1	Start of climb	The point where the trajectory will begin a climb segment following a level (intermediate or cruise) segment.
2	Top of climb	Where the trajectory arrives at the cruise flight level. There will be one top-of-climb point for each cruise flight level (step climbs).
3	Top of descent	The point where the trajectory begins a descent from the cruise flight level.
4	End of descent	The point in the trajectory where the descent procedure ends. Subsequent points will correspond to an approach procedure or may include a vertical discontinuity if the approach is undefined.
5	Start of descentReserved	A point where the trajectory will begin a descent segment following a level (intermediate or cruise) segment.
6	Runway	Indicates that the point corresponds to a runway.
7	Level-Off StartReserved	A point in climb or descent where a (intermediate) level segment begins
8	Level-Off EndReserved	A point in descent where a (intermediate) level segment ends
9	Aircraft projection	Indicates that the point corresponds to the projection of the airplane's present position onto the current flight plan leg.
10	Discontinuity	Indicates that the trajectory from the previous point to this one is undefined.
11	Non-flyable	Indicates that the trajectory from the previous point to this one is unflyable.
12	Clearance Altitude Level-off	Indicates the point where the aircraft will level off at selected altitude.
13	Current or next leg	Indicates that the segment belongs at least partially to the active or the next leg.
14	Reserved	
15	Reserved	
16	Unnamed fix	A point inserted between other FMS trajectory points, not corresponding to any other specific point type, so as to provide more complete definition of the trajectory. The unnamed fix includes any vertical points not specifically identified by other characteristics listed that are necessary to describe the vertical trajectory.
17	Baro ref 1	Note 5
18	Baro ref 2	Note 5
19	Crossover altitude	The point in climb or descent where the airplane will transition between Mach and IAS control.
20	Transition altitude or Transition levelReserved	The point where the trajectory reaches the transition altitude (in climb) or transition level (in descent).
21	Speed change	The point where the airplane will begin accelerating or decelerating as a result of a speed constraint or limit, or reaches the target speed.
22	Reserved	
23	Reserved	
24	Reserved	

5. Altitude Reference

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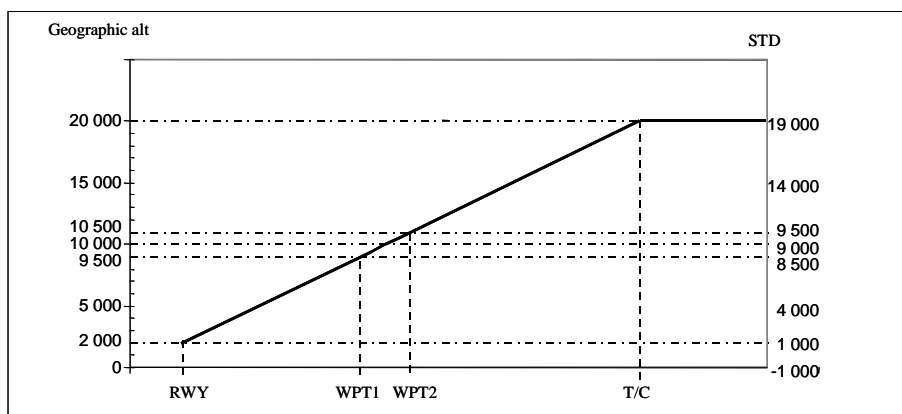
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Baro ref 1 (bit1)	Baro ref 2 (bit2)	Description
0	0	Reserved
0	1	The altitude is baro referenced for a segment in climb with baro correction = Climb_baro_setting (if available)
1	0	The altitude is baro referenced for a segment in descent with baro correction = Descent_baro_setting correction (if available)
1	1	The altitude is STD referenced

Note that two codings may be used to code the same trajectory:

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Example of trajectory with CLB QNH = 1049 hPa, transition altitude = 10 000 ft and standard temperature.

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Note: Geographic altitude is true height above the earth (tape measure), with Mean Sea Level as the "0" reference. Geographic altitude is independent of atmospheric pressure or temperature.

	Geo Altitude	Std Altitude (1013 hPa)	ATC Altitude	Coding with "STD" only			Mixed coding with "STD" and "Baro" references		
				Altitudes coded in "format"	Baro_ref1	Baro_ref2	Altitudes coded in "format"	Baro_ref1	Baro_ref2
T/C	20 000	19 000	FL 190	9 000	1	1	19 000	1	1
WPT2	10 500	9 500	FL 095	9 500	1	1	9 500	1	1
Trans ALT	10 000	9 000	10 000 ft	9 000	1	1	10 000	0	1

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WPT1	9 500	8 500	9 500 ft	8 500	1	1	9 500	0	1
RWY	2 000	1 000	2 000 ft	1 000	1	1	2 000	0	1
	0	-1 000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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- 6. hxFF 80 00 00 code is reserved to indicate invalid / undefined parameter.
- 7. Strings are defined as the sequence of n (numbered 1 through n) ASCII characters, 8-bits encoded. Number n is encoded as a 16-bits unsigned integer, and is immediately followed by the n bytes of the string. Padding for 32-bits word shall be filled with 0's (zeroes).

8. Data Type Extension codes are as follows:

Bits 1-32	Parameter Provided (Y = 1, N = 0)
<u>1</u>	<u>Point Fuel</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Point Temperature</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Point Path Altitude</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Point Path Speed</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Speed Constraint (Type &amp; Value)</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>RTA Constraint (Type &amp; Value)</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>10</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>11</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>Spare</u>
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<u>27</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>Spare</u>
<u>29</u>	<u>Spare</u>
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9. For the transmission of a single trajectory, this number will remain unchanged for all application blocks (i.e. this number is attached to the trajectory file transmitted). This number is incremented when transmitting a new trajectory (i.e. upon refresh whether the trajectory has changed or not) and will return to 1 after 255. This will allow the received to ensure that the blocks received correspond to the same trajectory. It should be noted that, for a single channel, this number could be identical but the Flight Plan Type different, depending on the implementation. The code 0 (zero) is reserved for special use.

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**5.2.145.2.13 Reserved Ports for Growth**

Four ARINC 429 output ports should be reserved for growth. These ports should be programmable for high-speed or low-speed operation.

**5.3 Discrete Inputs and Outputs**

Digital discrete inputs may be provided by discrete program pins or by coded digital configuration inputs, such as a configuration data base or Airplane Personality Module (APM). Discrete program pins are defined in Attachment 2-3.

**5.4 FMC/FMC Intersystem Communications**

FMC-to-FMC intersystem communications are not defined in this document. The formats and data content should be optimized by the system implementer to support system synchronization, including, but not limited to, the following:

Navigation Cross Check – used to monitor independent navigation calculation and improve the integrity of the navigation solution.

Data Entry Transfer – used to ensure that data entries and selections are reflected in all FMCs.

Radio Tuning Coordination – used to ensure that each FMC tunes a different set of radio sensors (if possible) to ensure navigation independence.

Status Information – used to synchronize mode of operation such as phase of flight, active flight plan leg, navigation status and other events.

Sensor Data – used to transfer data from some inputs, cross check discretes, confirm sensor faults, etc.

Crossloading of data bases and software - intersystem communications can be utilized to facilitate data loading in a dual FMS installation.

**5.5 Ethernet Interface (ARINC 646)**

Two ARINC 646 Ethernet interfaces are provided for dual interface capability to peripheral devices such as ARINC 615A data loader, ARINC 744A printer, and ARINC 758 CMU. This should not be confused with ARINC 664 Ethernet operating in a switched network topology (typical).

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## 6.0 CONTROL DISPLAY UNIT INTERFACE

4315 **6.0 CONTROL DISPLAY UNIT INTERFACE**4316 **6.1 General**

4317 The Control Display Unit (CDU) design should be a Multi-Purpose Control and  
4318 Display Unit (MCDU) in accordance with ARINC 739 or ARINC 739A.

4319 **COMMENTARY**

4320 It is expected that the MCDU installed in this configuration will  
4321 provide a shared control and display resource used by both the FMC  
4322 and the data link management unit. This is especially true where ATC  
4323 data link communications are used. Depending on the chosen  
4324 architecture for [CNS/ATMATS Datalink](#) (see Section [4.3.74.3.7.1-3](#)),  
4325 an ARINC 739A MCDU one key access to the Communications  
4326 Management Unit (CMU) may be required as opposed to the  
4327 standard log-on/log-off menu style selection.

4328 **6.2 Standby Navigation**

4329 In order to initialize the MCDU flight plan for standby navigation, the FMC should  
4330 provide the MCDU with an ordered list defining the current active flight plan legs.  
4331 Any leg whose type is not compatible with the MCDU flight plan, as described in  
4332 ARINC 739, should be replaced with a flight plan discontinuity. This initialization  
4333 should occur as required to ensure the MCDU has current data at the time of  
4334 transition to standby navigation.

4335 **6.3 Self-Test**

4336 The MCDU may include a pilot confidence test, initiated by a control on the MCDU,  
4337 which will provide a visual indication that the display and any status annunciators  
4338 are operating correctly. This test should in no way affect the on-line performance,  
4339 navigation and guidance computations, or the FMC interfaces.

4340 **6.4 MCDU Annunciators**

4341 The ARINC 739 MCDU may have several annunciator lights located on the unit  
4342 front panel. The purpose of these annunciators is to alert the pilot's attention for  
4343 possible required action. Specific annunciator definitions and associated logic is  
4344 installation dependent and is not defined in this document; however, typical  
4345 annunciator usage may include the following:

- 4346 • **MSG** (Message) – illuminates when FMC generated messages are  
4347 displayed in the MCDU scratchpad
- 4348 • **DSPY** (Display) – illuminates when the current display is not related to the  
4349 active flight plan leg or the currently operational performance mode
- 4350 • **FAIL** – illuminates in case of selected FMC failure
- 4351 • **OFST** (Offset) – illuminates when a parallel offset is in use
- 4352 • **IND** (Independent) – illuminates in case of independent dual system  
4353 operation
- 4354 • **MENU** – illuminates when the FMC is the active subsystem and a non-active  
4355 subsystem requests MCDU access

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4356 **6.36.5 MCDU Alerting**

4357 The MCDU may display a number of messages on the bottom line of the display  
 4358 known as the scratchpad. These messages may be of several types, indicating  
 4359 different priorities or originating conditions. Specific message definitions, classes,  
 4360 and display logic are dependent on overall flight deck display/annunciation design  
 4361 and operational philosophy, and are not specified in this document. The following  
 4362 paragraphs provide a description of typical message classes and logic design  
 4363 considerations.

4364 High priority messages, referred to as Alerting or Type I messages, are typically  
 4365 displayed in response to a significant status change or operational condition of the  
 4366 system. Lower priority messages may be referred to as Advisory, Type II, or Entry  
 4367 Error messages, and usually indicate a condition of lesser importance, or prompt  
 4368 the pilot to enter required data or correct a previous entry through the MCDU.

4369 Considerations for design of MCDU alerting include the following:

- 4370 • Priority of scratch pad messages over other classes of messages and  
 4371 MCDU scratchpad alpha-numeric data entries
- 4372 • Relationship of scratchpad messages to EFIS messages or other dedicated  
 4373 annunciators in the pilot's forward field of view
- 4374 • Message clearing logic. Messages may be cleared by keyboard action, or  
 4375 automatically by a change in system status
- 4376 • Inhibition of MCDU messages during critical flight phases
- 4377 • Stack operation of multiple messages

4378 **6.46.6 MCDU Color and Font Usage**

4379 The MCDU may utilize variation in display color and character font size to convey  
 4380 additional information to the flight crew. Designers should consider priority of the  
 4381 displayed information and consistency with color usage on other display devices in  
 4382 defining MCDU color usage standards. Character font size may be used to indicate  
 4383 data attributes such as computed versus pilot-entered data.

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## 7.0 ELECTRONIC FLIGHT INSTRUMENT SYSTEM INTERFACE

4386 **7.0 ELECTRONIC FLIGHT INSTRUMENT SYSTEM INTERFACE**4387 **7.1 Introduction**

4388 The navigation data base stored in the ARINC 702A Advanced Flight Management  
 4389 Computer may, together with computed guidance data, be used to support the  
 4390 operation of a map display on an electronic horizontal situation indicator or other  
 4391 electronic display in the cockpit. This section of this Characteristic describes  
 4392 interface standards which will enable any manufacturer's FMC to be used with any  
 4393 manufacturer's electronic display. The term Electronic Flight Instrument (EFI) will be  
 4394 used to describe such displays generically.

4395 **7.2 FMC Outputs to EFI**

4396 Two high-speed ARINC 429 data output ports are provided on the FMC for  
 4397 instrumentation supply. All of the map background and position updating (dynamic)  
 4398 data for two EFIS will be supplied from both of these ports. In an installation  
 4399 comprising one FMC and two EFIS, the FMC's #1 Instrumentation Output should be  
 4400 connected to the captain's EFI, and its #2 Instrumentation output to the first officer's  
 4401 EFI. A possible interconnection scheme in an installation comprising two FMCs and  
 4402 two EFIS is to connect the #1 output of FMC #1 and the #2 output of FMC #2 to the  
 4403 captain's EFI and the #1 output of the FMC #2 to the #2 output of FMC #1 to the  
 4404 first officer's EFI.

4405 **COMMENTARY**

4406 The foregoing data output arrangements permit one FMC to supply  
 4407 independently organized data to each of two EFIS. While the word  
 4408 formats of the individual data elements crossing the interface are not  
 4409 map scale dependent, the total number of data words needed to  
 4410 construct the map does vary with the map scale selected. The FMC  
 4411 can thus accommodate the generation of maps on both sides of the  
 4412 cockpit even when the captain and the first officer have selected  
 4413 different scales.

4414 **7.27.3 FMC Inputs from EFI**

4415 The FMC provides two low-speed ARINC 429 data input ports through which map  
 4416 mode, scale and symbol option selections are transferred from the EFIS to the  
 4417 FMC.

4418 *Interface provisions are provided to the FMC from a pointing device.*

4419 **COMMENTARY**

4420 *Functional and architectural requirements for the pointing device will be provided in a  
 4421 future Supplement to this Characteristic.*

4422 **7.37.4 EFI Design Features**

4423 The following EFI design features impact the design of the FMC/EFI interface.

4424 **7.3.17.4.1 Map**

4425 The EFI will generate a dynamic map positioned relative to the aircraft. The map  
 4426 may be oriented with respect to aircraft track or heading.

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4427 **7.3.27.4.2** **Plan**

4428 The EFI may also generate a north-oriented static map positioned relative to  
4429 reference points selected at the FMC Multi-Purpose Control Display Unit (MCDU).  
4430 This may be used by the flight crew to verify the correct insertion of flight plan  
4431 waypoints and other data.

4432 **7.3.37.4.3** **HSI Mode**

4433 The FMC/EFI interface may provide outputs of desired track (course), track angle  
4434 error, drift angle, and lateral and vertical deviations to support the generation of a  
4435 HSI (rose mode) type of display. If provided, the lateral and vertical deviation  
4436 outputs should support the use of variable sensitivities (full scale deflection) in  
4437 accordance with the requirements of RTCA/EUROCAE SC-181/WG-13 RNP  
4438 MASPS.

4439 **7.3.47.4.4** **Map Scales**

4440 EFI map scales for map and plan modes will be a compatible subset of the ARINC  
4441 708A Weather Radar, which has selectable ranges, from 5 to 640 nautical miles of  
4442 look-ahead. Additional low range capability may be required for incorporation of  
4443 surface map display capability.

4444 **7.3.57.4.5** **Map Projection**

4445 The EFI will transform earth coordinate data received from the FMC into flat plane  
4446 coordinates for the map display. The accuracy of this transformation will be such  
4447 that the EFI can be used as a primary instrument for guiding the aircraft along [great](#)  
4448 [circle](#) [geodesic](#) and circular transition flight paths, and provide accurate registration  
4449 of planar weather radar data on the map display. The map projection method  
4450 chosen is expected to permit worldwide EFI usage without latitude restrictions.

4451 The EFI will also ensure that vector lines and conics which cross display editing  
4452 boundaries are correctly terminated to ensure a continuous and accurate  
4453 presentation on the display. The EFI will translate the map background to account  
4454 for aircraft motion between map background data block transmissions based on  
4455 aircraft position and angular data received from the FMC and other systems.

4456 **7.3.67.4.6** **Option Selection**

4457 The EFI will provide for symbology option selections, including weather radar data  
4458 overlay on the map. These will allow the flight crew to declutter the map by  
4459 selectively removing different categories of data, e.g., Nav aids, Airfields,  
4460 Geographic Reference Points, Waypoint Definition Data, etc.

4461 **7.3.77.4.7** **Symbol Repertoire**

4462 Each category of data shipped from the FMC for display on the EFI will call for a  
4463 distinctive symbol on the display. A list of potential data categories includes, but is  
4464 not necessarily limited to, the following:

- 4465 • [Primary-Active](#) flight plan path
- 4466 • Secondary flight plan path
- 4467 • Modified flight plan path
- 4468 • Altitude Intercepts
- 4469 • RTA symbology
- 4470 • Waypoints

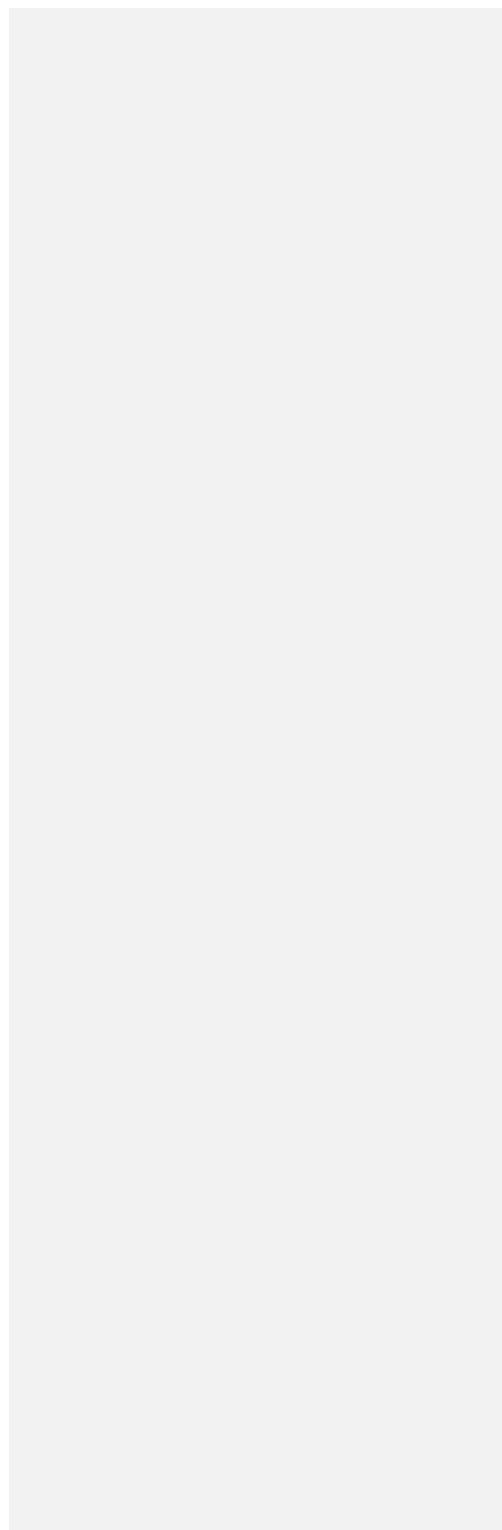
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- Waypoint data (altitude, speed, time)
- Origin and destination airports



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- 4473 • FIR boundaries
- 4474 • Special reference points (T/C, T/D, B/DS/C, energy circles)
- 4475 • Runway Data
- 4476 • Marker Beacons
- 4477 • Tuned Navaids
- 4478 • Navaids, including (co-Located VOR and TACAN (VORTAC), VOR, DME/  
4479 TACAN (high altitude and low altitude)
- 4480 • VOR radials
- 4481 • Airports
- 4482 • Geographic reference points
- 4483 • Non-directional beacons
- 4484 • Navigation data (e.g., sensor positions)
- 4485 • Terrain/obstacle data (MSA, MEA, MORA)
- 4486 • Special use airspace

4487 The data available for display in a particular installation will depend on the  
4488 navigation data base content of the FMC. The above data categories fall into the  
4489 following general symbology types, each of which requires different data  
4490 parameters for definition via the FMC/EFI interface.

- 4491 • Vectors (~~straight~~geodesic lines)
- 4492 • Conics (circular arc lines)
- 4493 • Upright symbols
- 4494 • Rotated symbols
- 4495 • Dynamic symbols
- 4496 • Alpha/numeric data readouts

**7.3.87.4.8 EFI Data Conditioning**

4498 The EFI will perform any input data filtering needed to produce a smoothly changing  
4499 map display, and will condition data used to update readouts on the display.

**7.3.97.4.9 Pointing Device**

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4502 ~~Functional and architectural requirements for the pointing device will be provided in~~  
4503 ~~a future Supplement to this Characteristic.~~

**7.3.107.4.10 Surface Map Mode**

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4506 ~~7.3.11 The surface map mode will provide a scaled representation of the airport surface for~~  
4507 ~~assistance in aircraft taxi and ramp movement. Functional recommendations will be~~  
4508 ~~provided in a future Supplement to this Characteristic.~~

**7.47.5 FMC Design Features**

4509 The following FMC design features impact the design of the FMC/EFI interface.  
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4511 **7.4.47.5.1 Flight Plans**

4512 As part of its guidance function, the FMC will have flight plans assembled in its  
 4513 guidance buffers by pilot data entry or data link and selection through the MCDU.  
 4514 Such flight plans will define paths in the sky in two, three and ultimately four  
 4515 dimensions. Accurate representation of aircraft position with respect to the flight  
 4516 plan path is essential when the EFI is used as the primary instrument by which the  
 4517 flight crew controls the aircraft laterally and vertically with respect to a three-  
 4518 dimensional path, and along that path to make good assigned times at waypoints.

4519 Flight plan paths can be presented on the EFI as sequences of lines and conics  
 4520 representing ~~great circle~~geodesic paths between waypoints and curved transitions  
 4521 between path legs. Circular path legs consisting of DME arcs, RF legs, holding  
 4522 patterns, and procedure turns can also be displayed. The FMC generates the  
 4523 necessary data to define four-dimensional flight plans in its guidance buffers. The  
 4524 guidance algorithms in the FMC calculate the position, speed and time differences  
 4525 between the aircraft state vector and the flight plan, and hence generate the  
 4526 guidance commands to the automatic flight control system (including the auto-  
 4527 throttle) to make good the flight plan.

4528 The guidance data can be used to define the vector lines and conics needed to  
 4529 represent the flight plan path and other guidance symbology on the EFI.

4530 **7.4.27.5.2 Map Display Edit Areas**

4531 The FMC should, to the extent of the limitations imposed by the size of the data  
 4532 block (see Section 7.6.2), supply map background data for an area large enough to  
 4533 preclude the appearance of blank screen between transmissions. The EFI will limit  
 4534 the data displayed to that needed for the viewing window. This limit operation will  
 4535 include vector clipping to ensure the correct display of vector data and associated  
 4536 text.

4537 **7.5.3 Pointing Device**

4538 ~~7.4.3—[Deleted by Supplement 5]~~

4539 ~~COMMENTARY~~

4540 ~~It is expected that future systems will incorporate a pointing device in the FMC/EFI~~  
 4541 ~~interface. Functional and architectural requirements for the pointing device will be~~  
 4542 ~~provided in a future Supplement to this Characteristic.~~

4543 **7.6 Interface Design**

4544 The design of the FMC/EFI interface is described in the following paragraphs.

4545 **7.4.47.6.1 General**

4546 Map background data and position updating and other dynamic data should be  
 4547 interleaved on the FMC instrumentation output buses. The FMC should specify the  
 4548 data type to be displayed and the associated positioning and rotation data. The EFI  
 4549 will control symbology color, size, brightness, blinking and related parameters, and  
 4550 transform map position data received from the FMC into screen coordinates.

4551 The FMC should extract the information necessary for the map background from its  
 4552 navigation data base and flight plan buffers. Position data transmitted to the EFI  
 4553 should be in latitude and longitude coordinates. The types of data transmitted  
 4554 should respond to mode symbology options and display range selected by the flight

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4555 crew on the EFI control panel. The order of the data on the bus should be in general  
4556 accordance with the priority in which it is to be displayed.

4557 The FMC/EFI dynamic data interface should be designed to permit updating of the  
4558 map background data positions between background data block transmissions  
4559 without the need for a hand-shaking relationship between the FMC and the EFI  
4560 symbol generator. FMC/EFI dynamic data is defined in Attachment 4.

4561 The FMC/EFI interface design and map background and dynamic data bus  
4562 implementation should be such that the EFI can provide a valid map display if map  
4563 background data transmissions are lost or invalid for periods of up to 10 seconds  
4564 duration.

4565 The display mechanization should accommodate a worldwide map projection. This  
4566 may result in the need to provide additional and/or special software to project map  
4567 data in the vicinity of the earth's poles.

4568 **7.4.57.6.2 Map Data Updating**

4569 The FMC should supply map data to the EFI in alternating 64-word blocks of  
4570 background and dynamic data until a complete map background data block has  
4571 been transmitted (see Attachment 6, Figure 2). The maximum size of the  
4572 background data block should be programmable up to a maximum of 1023 words.  
4573 After completion of the map background data transmission, the dynamic data  
4574 should continue to be updated at a rate of 20 times per second (nominal) until a  
4575 new map background data block is to be transmitted. Map background data should  
4576 be updated and transmitted once every three seconds (nominal), except that when  
4577 a mode, scale or option change is made on the EFI, the FMC should update and  
4578 transmit new map background data within one second (maximum).

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4580 Dynamic data update at a rate greater than 16 times per second is  
4581 needed to avoid undesirable visual effects on the display.

4582 **7.4.67.6.3 Background Data Prioritizing**

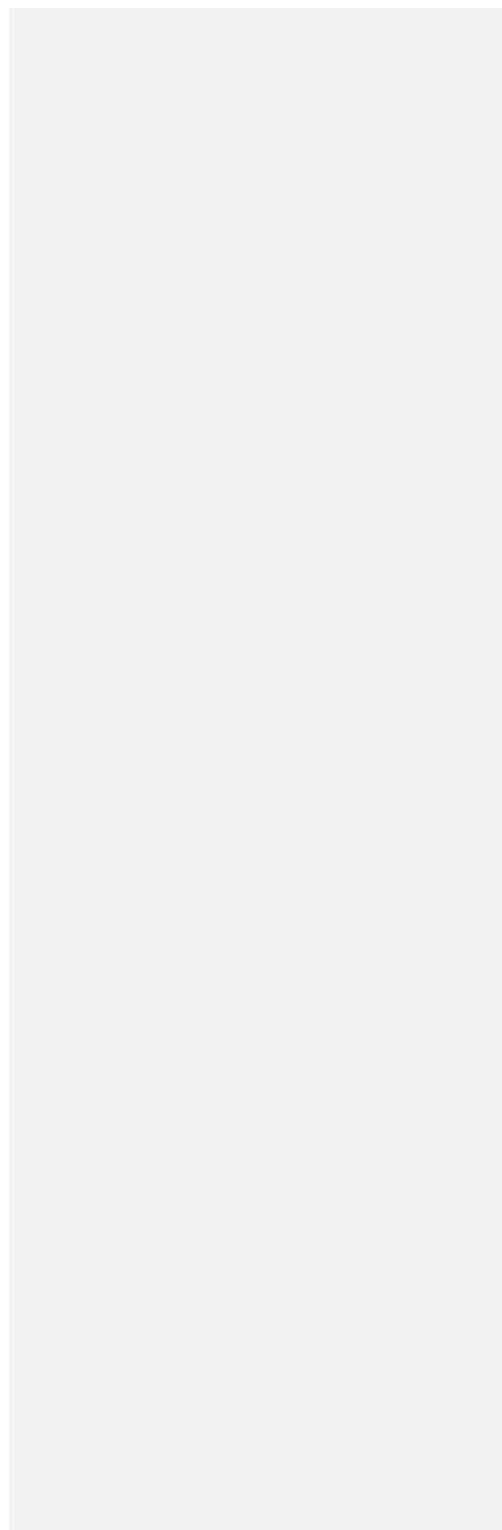
4583 To ensure that writing time or other internal data processing limitations in the EFI do  
4584 not result in most wanted map background data not appearing on the display, the  
4585 FMC should prioritize the information as follows. The EFI should truncate the data, if  
4586 necessary, in the reverse order of this prioritization.

- 4587 1. Flight plan data  
4588 a. [Primary-Active](#) flight plan  
4589 b. Secondary flight plan  
4590 c. Flight plan changes  
4591 d. Waypoints  
4592 e. Waypoint data  
4593 f. Offsets  
4594 g. Altitude intercepts  
4595 h. Flight plan events  
4596 i. RTA symbology  
4597 2. Selected reference points

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3. Runway Data (may be edited out in some flight phases but should not disappear because of truncation of the data stream)
  4. Origin and destination airports
  5. Tuned nav aids
  6. Navigation data (may be dynamic rather than background)



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- 4603 7. Non flight plan nav aids  
4604 8. General reference points (position ordered)

7.4.77.6.4 **Background Data Editing**

4606 An example of the background data editing process is shown in Attachment 6,  
4607 Figure 1. The FMC should, as a minimum, transmit data for the displayed area plus  
4608 the area which could appear on the display as a result of aircraft translation and  
4609 rotation between map background data updates.

4610 Because the density of data needed for terminal operations could saturate the  
4611 display at the higher map scales and the volume of data within the edit area  
4612 overload the EFI symbol generator buffers, the FMC should determine the amount  
4613 of data it supplies to the EFI from an analysis of the map scale and mode selection  
4614 information it receives from the EFI.

4615 Typically, the high map scales are used in cruise and the low map scales are used  
4616 for terminal area operations. Therefore, only high altitude chart data need be  
4617 transferred across the interface for the larger map scales.

7.4.87.6.5 **Mode Change Response**

4619 The FMC should respond to a mode, scale or symbology option selection change  
4620 received from the EFI such that the desired data transmission occurs within one  
4621 second maximum.

**COMMENTARY**

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4623 Airlines desire the overall (FMC and EFI) response time of a practical  
4624 system to be less than two seconds.

7.4.97.6.6 **Map Translation and Rotation Data**

4626 The FMC should provide the following data to the EFI to support map projection and  
4627 rotation functions:

Map Projection

4629 Map background data

- 4630 • Map reference latitude (plan mode only)
- 4631 • Map reference longitude (plan mode only)
- 4632 • Map mode/scale

4633 Map Position Data

- 4634 • Aircraft present latitude
- 4635 • Aircraft present longitude

Map Rotation

4637 Map Position Data

- 4638 • Track (true)
  - 4639 • Track (magnetic)
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4641 **7.4.107.6.7 Resolution**

4642 The resolution of data used to position symbology on the display should be such  
4643 that a change of binary state of the least significant bit of a position data word  
4644 produces no visible step movement on the display.

4645 **7.4.117.6.8 Interface Data Errors**

4646 The mechanization of the FMC/EFI interface should minimize the visual effects on  
4647 the map display of occasional data errors.

4648 **7.4.127.6.9 FMC-to-EFI Data Transfer Protocol**

4649 Because the FMC/EFI interface is dedicated to the transfer of data between the  
4650 FMC and the EFI symbol generator(s), not all of the formatting and protocol  
4651 standards of ARINC Specification 429: Digital Information Transfer System (DITS)  
4652 will be applied. The following sections indicate where these departures from ARINC  
4653 429 have been made. Although not mentioned hereafter, the electrical and timing  
4654 standards set forth in ARINC 429 for high-speed operation (100 kbps) and the  
4655 standard broadcast protocol do apply.

4656 **7.6.9.1 Data Block Format**

4657 The first word of each 64-word data block should be a Start of Transmission word  
4658 containing octal code 301 in its label field (bits 1 through 8) if the block contains  
4659 map background data and octal code 303 in this field if the block contains dynamic  
4660 data. Bits 9 through 13 of each map background data block Start of Transmission  
4661 word should contain a binary number indicating the position of the block in the  
4662 sequence of such blocks into which the transmission is divided. In addition, the first  
4663 such Start of Transmission word of a transmission should contain in bits 20 through  
4664 29 a binary count of the total number of usable background data words to be  
4665 contained in the transmission. (This count should not include Start of Transmission,  
4666 End of Transmission, or fill-in words.) This field should contain binary zeros in all  
4667 subsequent background data block Start of Transmission words of the transmission.  
4668 All background data block Start of Transmission words should contain binary zeros  
4669 in bits 14 through 19, while bits 30 and 31 should contain the control word code  
4670 defined in Section 7.6.9.2 and bit 32 should be set to render word parity odd.

4671 The Start of Transmission word of each dynamic data block should contain binary  
4672 zeros in bits 9 through 29 and the control word code defined in Section 7.6.9.2 in  
4673 bits 30 and 31. Bit 32 should be set to render word parity odd.

4674 The last word of each 64-word map background data block should be an End of  
4675 Transmission word containing octal code 302 in its label field. Bits 9 through 29 of  
4676 this word should contain binary zeros. Bits 30 and 31 should contain the control  
4677 word code defined in Section 7.6.9.2 and bit 32 should be set to render word parity  
4678 odd.

4679 The 62 usable data words of each map background data block should contain the  
4680 positional, character, and control information used by the EFI to construct the map  
4681 background. The label codes and word formats defined in Attachment 6 to this  
4682 document should be used. Bits 30 and 31 should be encoded to indicate word type  
4683 per Section 7.6.9.2 and bit 32 should be set to render word parity odd. If the final  
4684 block of the transmission contains less than 62 useful words, it should be padded to  
4685 this length with fill-in words (binary zeros in bit positions 1 through 32) and  
4686 terminated with the End of Transmission word at position 64.

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4687 Dynamic data blocks should be interleaved with map background data blocks as  
 4688 described in Section 7.6.2. Dynamic data blocks should contain data words labeled  
 4689 and formatted per ARINC Specification 429.

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4691 The interleaving on the same bus of blocks of data labeled per  
 4692 ARINC 429 standards and blocks of data labeled per other standards  
 4693 requires the EFI to be capable of changing from one set of standards  
 4694 to the other at appropriate instants during the data transmissions.  
 4695 The EFI is expected to make use of the two Start of Transmission  
 4696 words and the background data block End of Transmission word in  
 4697 deciding when to make these changes.

4698 **7.4.12-17.6.9.2 Data Type Word Formats**

4699 The general word format defined in ARINC Specification 429 should be employed.  
 4700 Words transmitted by the FMC for which standards are defined in ARINC 429  
 4701 should employ those standards and their ARINC 429 labels. Formats of symbol  
 4702 word groups, vector word groups, map reference word groups, and dynamic symbol  
 4703 words should differ from ARINC 429 standards in that the label field should be used  
 4704 to encode data type and the sign/status matrix to designate multiple word records  
 4705 within a data type group as follows:

BIT		WORD DESCRIPTION
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0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional, character words
1	1	Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

4706 Attachment 6 to this document sets forth the formats of these FMC-specific ARINC  
 4707 429 words.

4708 **7.4.137.6.10 EFI-to-FMC Data Transfer**

4709 The data sent from the EFI to the FMC will consist of the map mode, scale and  
 4710 symbol option selections made by the flight crew at the EFI control panel. These  
 4711 selections will be encoded into one or more discrete words, as defined in ARINC  
 4712 Specification 429, Part 2 and in ARINC Characteristic 725: Electronic Flight  
 4713 Instruments (EFI).

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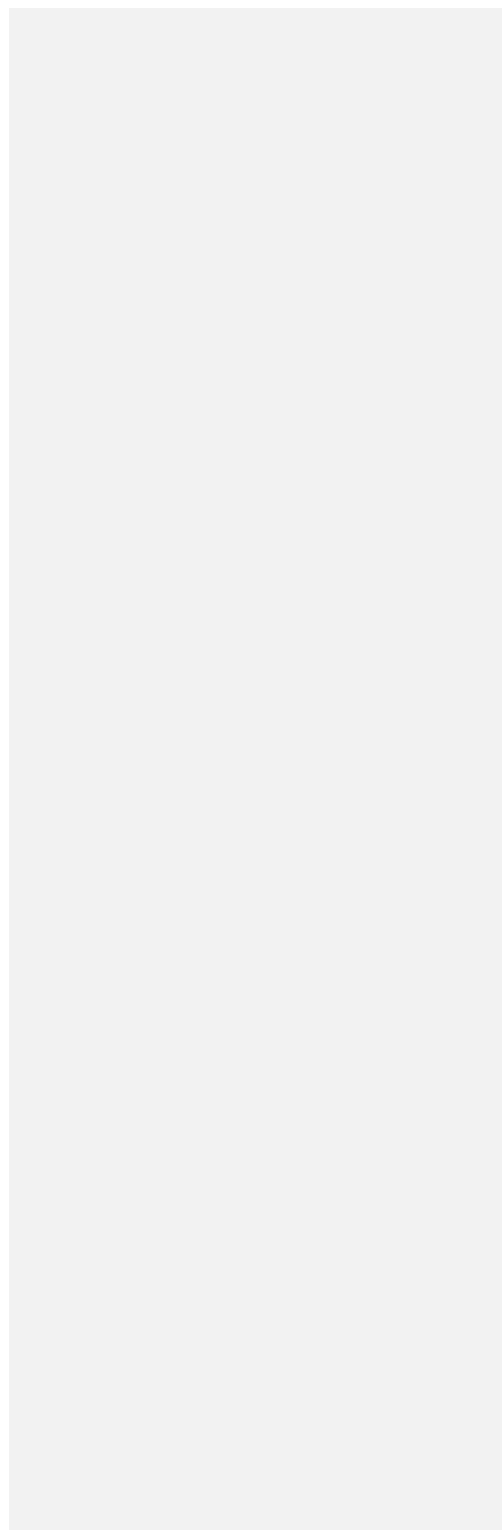
7.0 ELECTRONIC FLIGHT INSTRUMENT SYSTEM INTERFACE

4715 **8.0 COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT UNIT INTERFACE**

4716 **8.1 General**

4717 The Communications Management Unit (CMU) interface is defined in ARINC  
4718 Characteristic 758: Communications Management Unit (CMU) Mark 2. Specific  
4719 details are implementation dependent.

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## 9.0 DATA BASE STORAGE CONSIDERATIONS

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## 4722 9.1 Introduction

4723 The FMC will contain a number of data bases and configuration tables which  
 4724 provide the data and definitions required to support the functions defined in Section  
 4725 4. The data bases are stored in non-volatile memory and may be periodically  
 4726 updated or modified via the data loader. The individual data bases should be  
 4727 separately loadable. Designers should provide significant growth capacity when  
 4728 sizing data base memory storage. Mechanisms should be provided to ensure the  
 4729 integrity of the stored data such that the data cannot be modified by the crew or  
 4730 system.

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4732 **9.2 Navigation Data Base**

4733 The navigation data base is stored in non-volatile memory in two parts: a body of  
 4734 active permanent data which is effective until a specified expiration date and a set  
 4735 of data revisions or active data for the next period of effectivity. The effectivity dates  
 4736 for both sets of data are displayed for reference on the system's configuration  
 4737 definition page. Data base updates are to be accomplished at appropriate intervals  
 4738 by loading the next cycle via means of a data base loader.

4739 The navigation data base contains all current information required for operation in a  
 4740 specified geographic area. The data base should be consistent with the  
 4741 requirements of **RTCA DO-201A: Standards for Aeronautical Data**. It includes the  
 4742 following data:

- 4743 • VOR, ILS, DME, VORTAC, and TACAN navigation aids
- 4744 • NDBs
- 4745 • Waypoints
- 4746 • Airports and runways
- 4747 • Standard Instrument Departures (SIDs)
- 4748 • Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STARs)
- 4749 • Enroute airways
- 4750 • Charted holding patterns
- 4751 • Approaches (GNSS, ILS, VOR, NDB, LOC, LDA, etc., types)
- 4752 • Approach and departure transitions
- 4753 • [Final Approach Segment \(FAS\) Data Block \(for LP/LPV approaches\)](#)
- 4754 • Company route structure
- 4755 • Terminal gates
- 4756 • Alternates
- 4757 • Minimum Safe Altitude (MSA)
- 4758 • Minimum Enroute IFR Altitude (MEA)
- 4759 • Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude (MOCA)
- 4760 • Grid Minimum Off-Route Altitudes (MORAs)
- 4761 • FIR/Upper Flight Information Region (UIR) Boundaries
- 4762 • Special Use Airspace

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- 4763 • Effectivity dates
- 4764 • Airline customized data
- 4765 • RNP

4766 The data base is capable of supplying all of the information required for the  
4767 assembly of a complete flight plan for the selected route via MCDU data entry and  
4768 selection.

4769 **9.3 Airline Modifiable Information (AMI) Data Base**

4770 The Airline Modifiable Information data base is capable of defining those items  
4771 which may be individually selectable by the airline operator. These may include the  
4772 following:

- 4773 • Performance management options
- 4774 • Airport speed restrictions
- 4775 • AOC data link parameters
- 4776 • Tailorable CDU page formats
- 4777 • Flight test bus definitions

4778 The Airline Modifiable Information may also contain: special operations information,  
4779 trigger events, special airline specific messages, and/or parameters.

4780 **9.4 Performance Data Base**

4781 The performance data base will contain the data necessary to allow the FMS to  
4782 provide the vertical trajectory predictions (Section 4.3.3.2.1), performance  
4783 calculations (Section 4.3.4), and vertical guidance (Section 4.3.3.2.2) functions. The  
4784 data will consist of tables, coefficient for polynomials or any other convenient means  
4785 of representing the data, but will not include any executable code. The data  
4786 contained in the Performance Data base may include elements of the following:

- 4787 • Aerodynamic Data
  - 4788 ○ Drag polars (clean and high-lift)
  - 4789 ○ Reynolds number drag correction
  - 4790 ○ Compressibility drag
  - 4791 ○ Trim drag (clean and high-lift)
  - 4792 ○ Windmill drag
  - 4793 ○ Spoiler/speed brake drag
  - 4794 ○ Buffet onset mach number/lift coefficients
  - 4795 ○ Stall speeds (clean and high-lift)
  - 4796 ○ Bank angle limits
- 4797 • Propulsion Data
  - 4798 ○ Data to compute each thrust limit (Takeoff, Max Continuous, Max Cruise)
  - 4799 ○ Data to compute de-rate and flex take-off rating
  - 4800 ○ Bleed effects
  - 4801 ○ Idle thrust setting
  - 4802 ○ Relationship between thrust, fuel flow, ram drag and thrust setting
  - 4803 parameter (EPR or N1)

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- 4804 • Performance Data
  - 4805 ○ Economy climb speed data (all-engine and one engine inoperative)
  - 4806 ○ Economy cruise speed data (all-engine and one engine inoperative)
  - 4807 ○ Economy descent speed data (all-engine and one engine inoperative)
  - 4808 ○ Drift-down speed data
  - 4809 ○ Hold speed data
  - 4810 ○ Maximum endurance speed data
  - 4811 ○ Long Range Cruise (LRC) speed data
  - 4812 ○ Maximum angle climb speed data
  - 4813 ○ Maximum rate of climb speed data
  - 4814 ○ Flap/slat/gear placard speeds
  - 4815 ○ Maximum altitude (all engine and one engine inoperative)
  - 4816 ○ Take-off time, fuel, distance data
  - 4817 ○ Go-around time, fuel, distance data
  - 4818 ○ Alternate flight plan time, fuel, distance data
  - 4819 ○ Optimum altitude/optimum step weight data
  - 4820 ○ Relationship between fuel weight/C.G.
- 4821 • Take-off/approach data
  - 4822 ○ Data to compute V1, VR, and V2
  - 4823 ○ Approach speed data
  - 4824 ○ Climb-out speed data

4825 This is not an all-inclusive list. Some of the data in the list may not be applicable to  
 4826 a specific airplane/system and some additional data may be necessary in some  
 4827 applications, particularly as additional capability is added to the system. The format  
 4828 of the data is not specified in this document, but manufacturers are encouraged to  
 4829 use a standard format that will allow use of the FMS across multiple airplane types.

4830 Data for the Performance data base is developed from data supplied by the airplane  
 4831 manufacturer, and may include off-line data reduction and modeling before loading  
 4832 into the FMS. It should be consistent with the data contained in that airplane's  
 4833 Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) and Flight Crew Operations Manual (FCOM).

4834 The data base should contain sufficient data to allow identification of its part number  
 4835 and to which airplane model(s) it is applicable. Loading and use of the data in the  
 4836 FMS should include positive means of verifying that the appropriate data has been  
 4837 loaded, and that data pertaining to a particular model airplane is not being used on  
 4838 an airplane to which it does not apply.

4839 A particular data base may contain data for more than one airplane model. In this  
 4840 case, positive means to preclude the wrong data being used should be provided.

#### 4841 **9.5 Magnetic Variation Data Base**

4842 The magnetic variation data base will support the determination of magnetic  
 4843 variation for any Lat/Long, Navaid, Waypoint, Airport, etc. The format of the data  
 4844 stored in this data base is a manufacturer option, but should be flexible to  
 4845 accommodate periodic update of the magnetic variation data reference.

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The use of current MagVar throughout the flight deck is desired to minimize confusion. However, for those aircraft configurations which cannot be updated, system designers should give consideration to providing a means to harmonize MagVar tables with other aircraft equipment, such as the inertial reference system, to provide a consistent display of magnetic bearings in the flight deck.

**9.6 Terrain and Obstacle Data**

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4857 **9.7 Airport Surface Map Data**

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4860 **9.8 Configuration Data Base**

4861 The configuration data base defines parameters specific to an individual system  
4862 application or installation.

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4864 These items are type certification driven. Changes to these items will  
4865 require re-certification.

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These items may include the following:

- 4867 • Tables containing ATS data link parameters
  - 4868 • Transport and network protocols
  - 4869 • FMS configuration
  - 4870 • Available functional options
  - 4871 • Interface variations
  - 4872 • CMU specific configuration variations
  - 4873 • Optional maintenance configurations
  - 4874 • Weight variants definitions
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10.0 BUILT-IN TEST AND MAINTENANCE PROVISIONS

4877 **10.0 BUILT-IN TEST AND MAINTENANCE PROVISIONS**

4878 **10.1 General Discussion**

4879 Since the FMC may be the primary means of navigation on some aircraft, the  
4880 utmost attention should be paid to the need for reliability and maintainability in all  
4881 phases of system design, production, and installation.

4882 **COMMENTARY**

4883 It is also important to remember that all aspects of the testing  
4884 program (BITE, ramp, and shop testing) contribute to the reliability  
4885 and profitable operation of a system by the end users. The ability of  
4886 the program to identify faults, and facilitate their repair, has a  
4887 profound affect on maintainability and overall reliability. Attention to a  
4888 close relationship between aircraft faults and shop testing will help in  
4889 reducing the number of unscheduled removals.

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4890 **10.2 Fault Detection and Reporting**

4891 **10.2.1 General**

4892 The FMC should support at least one of the following Built-In Test Equipment  
4893 (BITE) capabilities defined by AEEC:

- 4894 • **ARINC Report 624:** Design Guidance for Onboard Maintenance System
- 4895 • **ARINC Report 604:** Guidance for Design and Use of Built-In Test  
4896 Equipment

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4897 MCDU maintenance pages should contain a fault log formatted in accordance with  
4898 ARINC Report 624 or ARINC 604. This maintenance log should be able to be  
4899 printed on the cockpit printer via selection on the MCDU.

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4901 The option used should be compatible with the aircraft in which the  
4902 FMC will be installed.

4903 BITE in the FMC should be capable of detecting at least 95% of the faults or failures  
4904 which can occur within the FMS, and as many faults as possible associated with  
4905 other interfaces.

4906 Where possible, optional functions present in the FMS that are not activated by the  
4907 operator should be excluded from all on-board testing. The intent is to eliminate  
4908 unnecessary removals.

4909 BITE should closely relate to bench testing. Error modes encountered on the aircraft  
4910 should be reproducible in the shop. Error messages recorded by BITE should assist  
4911 bench testing.

4912 No failure occurring in the BITE subsystem should interfere with the normal  
4913 operation of the FMC.

4914 **10.2.2 Self-Monitoring**

4915 The self-contained fault detection should incorporate nonvolatile memory and logic  
4916 to identify true hardware faults based on the historical trends. This includes a flight  
4917 hour monitor as well as air-ground logic to monitor installed time on the aircraft.

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**10.0 BUILT-IN TEST AND MAINTENANCE PROVISIONS****4919 10.2.3 Debugging Tools**

4920 FMC complexity is such that it may sometimes exhibit operational anomalies for  
 4921 which the root cause(s) are difficult to identify. To provide for quick in-service  
 4922 observation/evaluation of the FMC software anomalies, the FMC should provide  
 4923 password accessible MCDU pages for BITE, view latched fail code(s), memory  
 4924 contents, etc. This feature would be usable by supplier/operator engineers as a  
 4925 debugging tool. Access to these pages should be categorized and leveled for line  
 4926 maintenance or engineering use, as appropriate. This should be a certified  
 4927 configuration so as to allow engineering evaluations in-flight during revenue  
 4928 operations of the system.

**4929 10.2.4 Failure Rate Monitor**

4930 Reasonable failure rate thresholds for some significant faults should be  
 4931 incorporated such that the FMC would optionally set a flag when these thresholds  
 4932 are exceeded.

**4933 COMMENTARY**

4934 Some hardware faults that would be reset during a ground check or  
 4935 power interruption may not be repeated immediately. This condition  
 4936 may allow the unit to remain on board the aircraft. A threshold  
 4937 exceedance monitor would detect and set the flag when one of these  
 4938 transient faults exceeds an acceptable rate of occurrence. Some  
 4939 airlines may choose to deactivate such a monitor.

**4940 10.2.5 Fault Messaging**

4941 The FMC will have a go/no-go light or indicator indicating overall unit performance  
 4942 ability. BITE fault messages (MCDU display, code lights or otherwise) will be as  
 4943 descriptive as possible (English language fault descriptions). When an external or  
 4944 internal fault occurs, the FMC will alert maintenance personnel to the status of the  
 4945 specific system components, either as a displayed list, or on request.

4946 System faults should be classified based on their effect on the system as  
 4947 debilitating or non-debilitating. Fault displays should also indicate the most probable  
 4948 correction of the problem.

4949 A system debilitating failure is any non-recoverable failure which prohibits the FMC  
 4950 from performing any basic required function: navigation, performance computations,  
 4951 flight planning, etc. Cockpit and/or LRU failure annunciation is provided for a system  
 4952 debilitating failure. A system debilitating failure will be logged in BITE memory. If  
 4953 recoverable, crew action may be necessary.

4954 A non-system-debilitating failure is any BITE-detected failure which is auto-  
 4955 recoverable within specified/acceptable operational limitations (of short duration and  
 4956 requiring no crew action for recovery) and which has no adverse impact on the  
 4957 required functions of the FMC. A non-system-debilitating failure will be logged in  
 4958 BITE memory, but need not be cockpit and/or LRU annunciated.

**4959 10.3 Ramp Maintenance****4960 ~~10.2.6~~10.3.1 Return to Service Testing**

4961 When an FMC is installed on an air transport aircraft, some form of end to end  
 4962 testing should be available for two primary reasons:

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- 4963 • To provide an operational verification of the system function prior to return to  
4964 service.
- 4965 • To reduce unnecessary removals of the FMC when the fault was actually in  
4966 another part of the system.

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4967 As an end-to-end test, the procedure should verify integrity of the LRU as well as  
4968 interfaces with other systems. This maintenance test will provide test values on the  
4969 digital outputs with the appropriate status matrix code for the test condition as  
4970 defined in ARINC Specification 429. This test can also exercise internal monitoring  
4971 and diagnostic routines and provide test formats on the MCDU and on a  
4972 multifunction display.

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4974 The airlines prefer test results to indicate the probable cause of  
4975 failure. Emphasis on end to end system testing will lead to a  
4976 desirable increase in the MTBUR, especially for removals that were  
4977 not related to LRU faults.

4978 Means should be provided for initiating this maintenance test either through an  
4979 externally supplied discrete input or an MCDU prompt. The FMC may also have the  
4980 capability, via a switch on the front of the FMC, for initiating the maintenance test. If  
4981 this switch is provided, an indicator should also be mounted on the FMC front panel  
4982 to show the result of the test.

4983 **10.2.710.3.2 Programmable Data Bus Interface**

4984 The system should provide output data to be recorded for analysis of system  
4985 performance, including in-service operation. A list of available parameters, scaling,  
4986 and label assignments should be determined by the manufacturer and made  
4987 available for selection by the aircraft operator as required.

4988 **10.2.810.3.3 Data Loading**

4989 It is expected that operational software (manufacturer and airline controlled software  
4990 or tables) and data bases (e.g., navigation data, performance data) will be on-board  
4991 loadable. The FMC should accept this data from a data loader in accordance with  
4992 ARINC 615 or ARINC 615A. The standard interface from the data loader to the  
4993 FMC is high-speed ARINC 429. The return interface to the data loader is low-speed  
4994 ARINC 429. The FMC should also support high-speed data loading via Ethernet  
4995 interface defined in ARINC 615A.

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4997 It is recognized that some minimal level of boot software must be  
4998 non-loadable to provide the basic loading interface.

4999 The FMC should provide compatibility testing to ensure that loadable software and  
5000 data are compatible with the FMC hardware configuration. Mechanisms should be  
5001 provided to ensure the integrity of the loaded data.

5002 **10.2.910.3.4 Cross Loadable Software**

5003 All loadable software and data bases should be selectively cross loadable between  
5004 two FMCs in a dual installation via the intersystem bus.

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The objective of the cross loading capability is to reduce loading times. Since mixed cases of cross loadable and non-cross loadable software present many problems, operators prefer that all of the software be cross loadable.

5010 ~~40.2.40~~**10.3.5 Data Loading Fault Recovery**5011  
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In all cases, when loading or cross loading software or data, the procedure must provide a method for recovering from faults. The FMC should be able to abort a software or data base loading process without a major disruption of the system (disruption requiring removal of the FMC from the aircraft).

5015 **10.4 Provisions for Automatic Test Equipment**5016 ~~40.2.41~~**10.4.1 General**5017  
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To enable Automatic Test Equipment (ATE) to be used in the bench maintenance, internal circuit functions not available at the unit service connector and considered by the equipment manufacturer necessary for automatic test purposes may be brought to pins on an auxiliary connector of a type selected by the equipment manufacturer. This connector should be fitted an adequate number of contacts needed to support the ATE functions. The connector should be provided with a protective cover suitable to protect these contacts from damage, contamination, etc. while the unit is installed in the aircraft. The manufacturer should observe ARINC Specification 600 for unit projections, etc., when choosing the location for this auxiliary connector.

5027 ~~40.2.42~~**10.4.2 ATE Testing**5028  
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The FMC should be ATE testable and should have a test program written using the ATLAS language specified in **ARINC Specification 626: Standard ATLAS Subset for Modular Test**. Development of the test program set should consider and apply the quality characteristics set forth in ARINC Specification 625.

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The airlines desire that the ATLAS test procedure be demonstrated to execute without modification on Automatic Test Systems defined in **ARINC Specification 608A: Automatic Test Equipment Standards**.

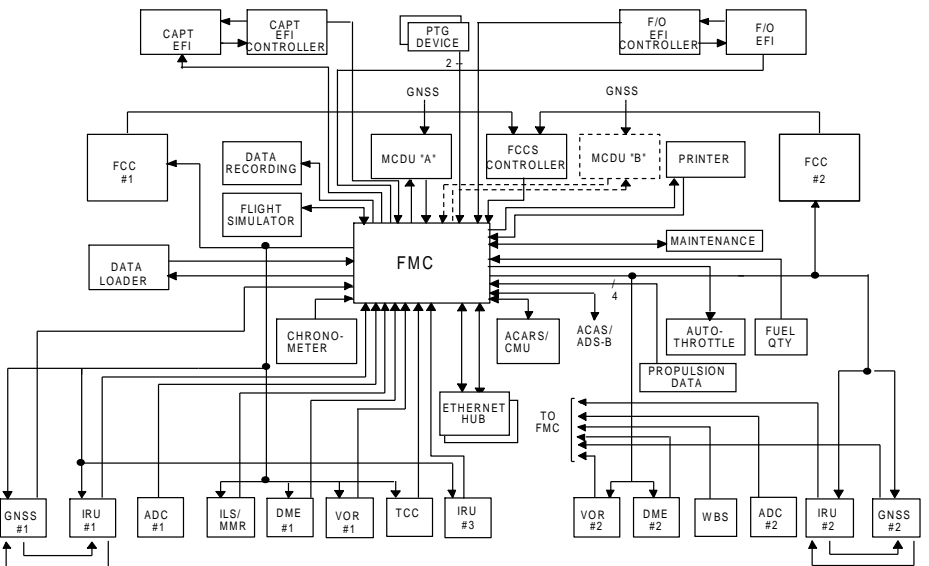
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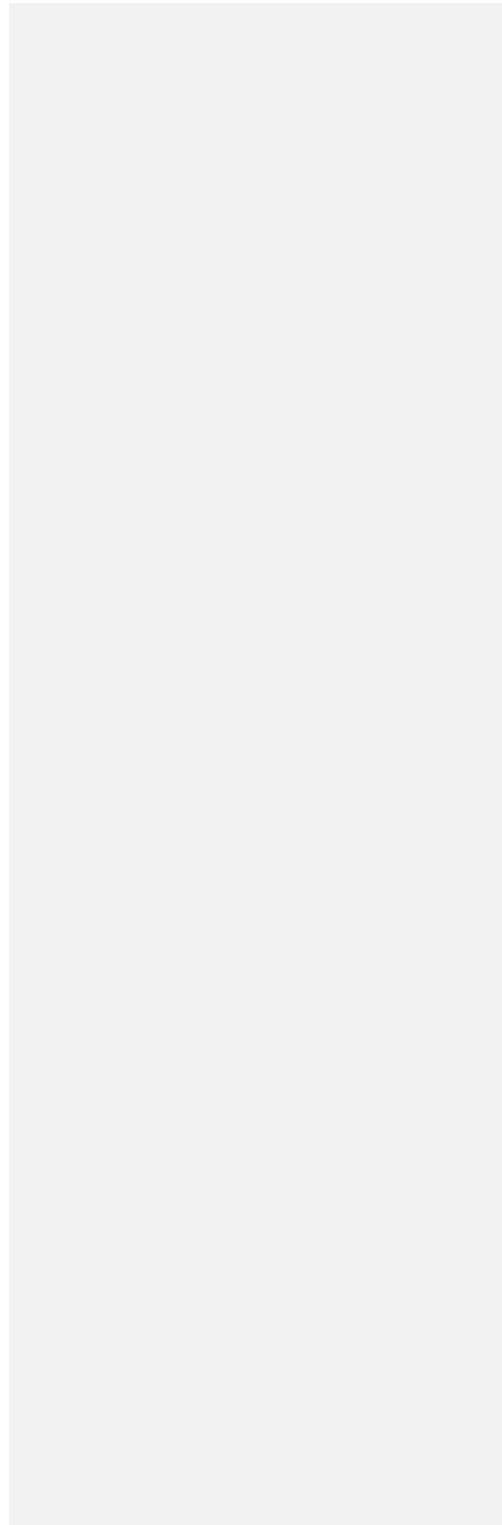
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5038 CONFIGURATION 1 – SINGLE FMC INSTALLATION  
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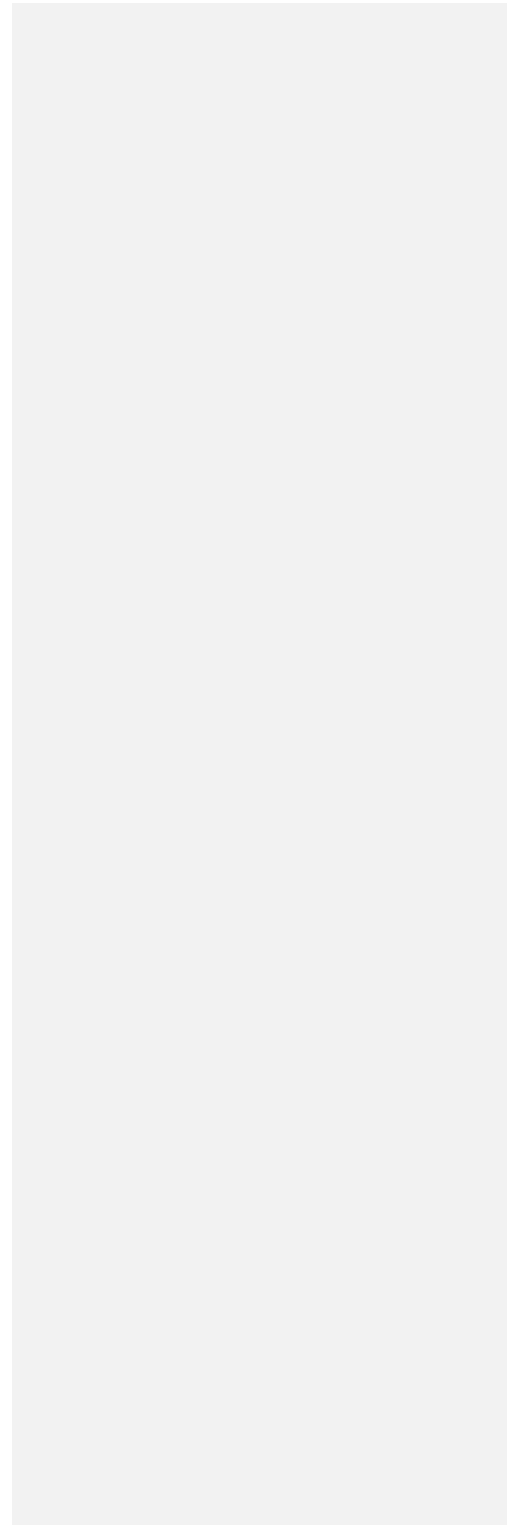


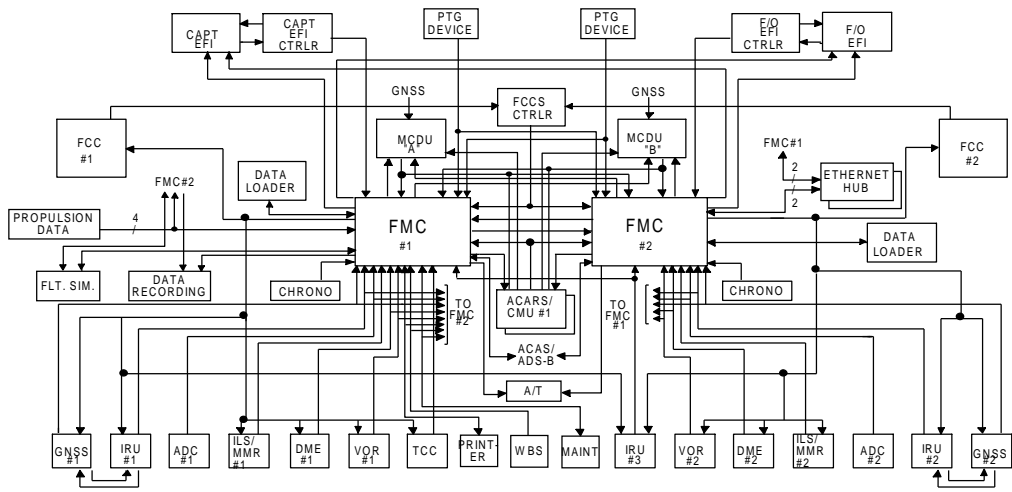
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CONFIGURATION 3 – DUAL FMC CDU INSTALLATION

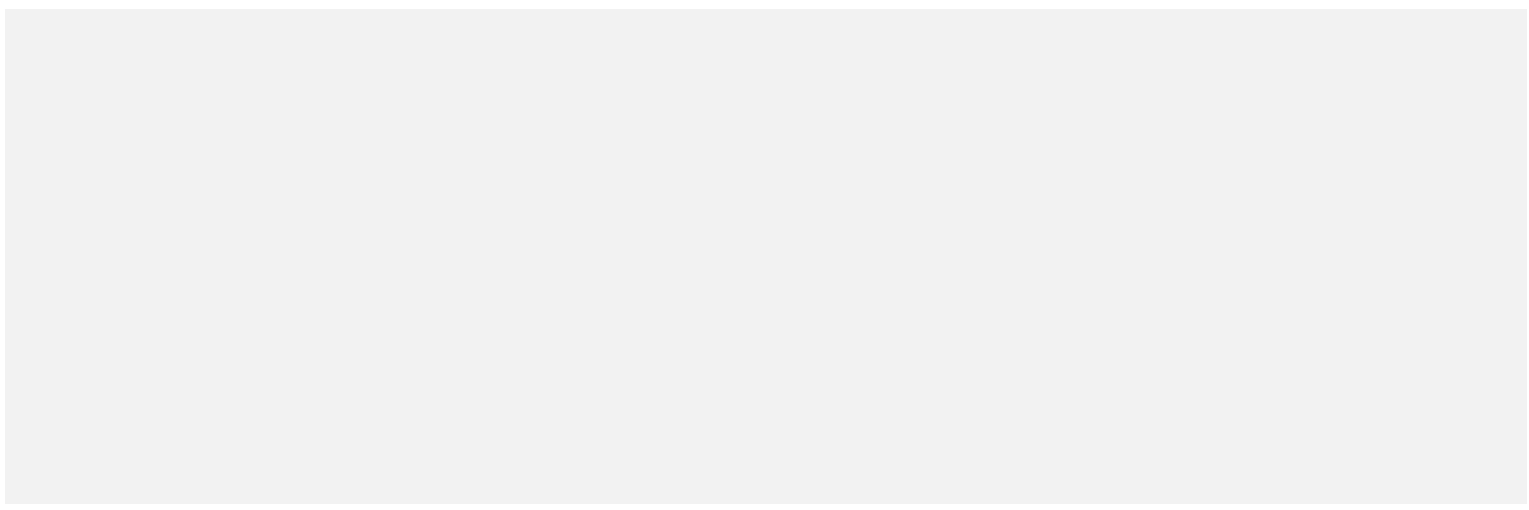
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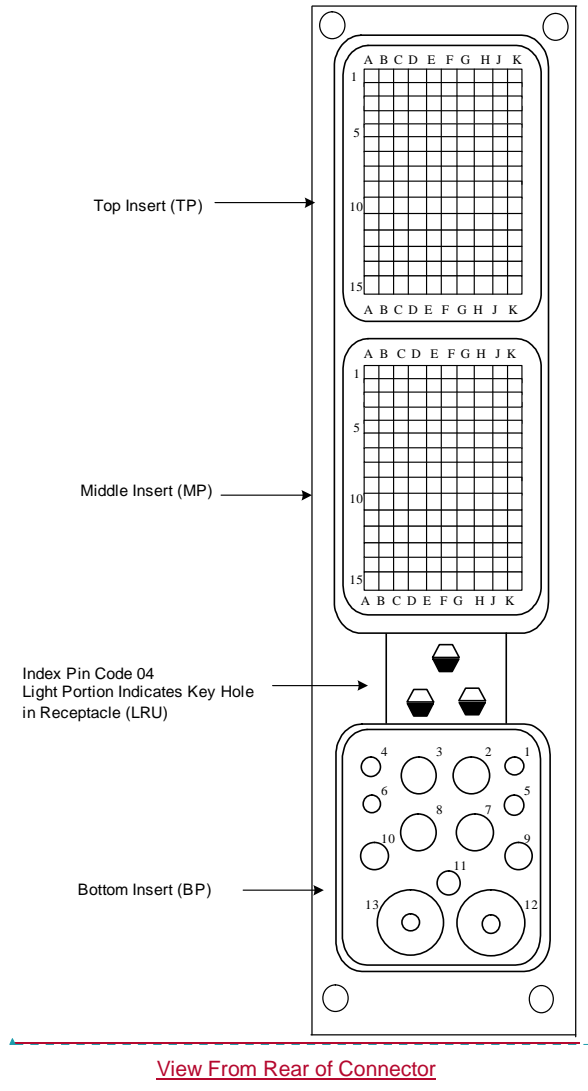


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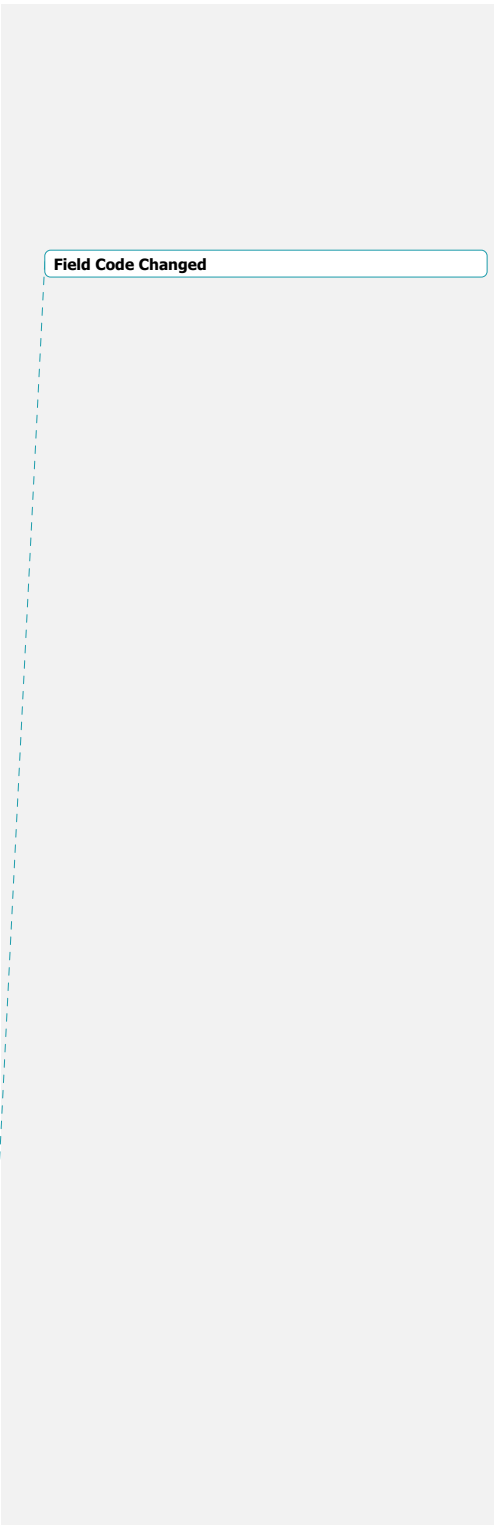


ATTACHMENT 2-1  
FMC CONNECTOR POSITIONING

5046 ATTACHMENT 2 FMC CONNECTOR AND INTERWIRING  
5047 ATTACHMENT 2-1 FMC CONNECTOR POSITIONING



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**ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING**

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**ATTACHMENT 2-2      STANDARD INTERWIRING**

FUNCTION	FMC PIN	SOURCE/SINKS		NOTES
		1	2	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP1A	ARINC 711 VOR #1	
ARINC 429 Input		TP1B	ARINC 711 VOR #1	
Spare		TP1C		
ARINC 429 Input	] B	TP1D	ARINC 709 DME #1	
ARINC 429 Input		TP1E	ARINC 709 DME #1	
Spare		TP1F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP1G	ARINC 710 ILS	
ARINC 429 Input		TP1H	ARINC 710 ILS	
Spare		TP1J		
Discrete Input		TP1K	Oleo Strut Switch	
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP2A	ARINC 758 CMU	
ARINC 429 Output		TP2B	ARINC 758 CMU	
Spare		TP2C		
ARINC 429 Output	] B	TP2D	Trajectory Bus	
ARINC 429 Output		TP2E	Trajectory Bus	
Spare		TP2F		
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP2G	Spare	
ARINC 429 Output		TP2H	Spare	
Spare		TP2J		
Spare		TP2K		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP3A	ARINC 704A IRS	
ARINC 429 Input		TP3B	or ARINC 705 AHRS #1	
Spare		TP3C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP3D	ARINC 743A/755 GNSS #1	
ARINC 429 Input		TP3E	ARINC 743A/755 GNSS #1	
Spare		TP3F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP3G	ARINC 737 Weight and Balance System	
ARINC 429 Input		TP3H	ARINC 737 Weight and Balance System	
Spare		TP3J		
Discrete Input		TP3K	Self Test Switch	
Spare		TP4A		
Spare		TP4B		
Spare		TP4C		
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP4D	Spare	
ARINC 429 Output		TP4E	Spare	
Spare		TP4F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP4G	ARINC 762 TAWS	
ARINC 429 Input		TP4H	ARINC 762 TAWS	
Spare		TP4J		
Discrete Input		TP4K	Mag/True Input #1	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP5A	EFI Data Source #1	
ARINC 429 Input		TP5B	EFI Data Source #1	
Spare		TP5C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP5D	ARINC 611 Fuel Quantity Data Source	
ARINC 429 Input		TP5E	ARINC 611 Fuel Quantity Data Source	
Spare		TP5F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP5G	ARINC 703 TCC	
ARINC 429 Input		TP5H	ARINC 703 TCC	
Spare		TP5J		
Discrete Input		TP5K	MCDU Select Switch	3

ATTACHMENT 2-2  
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FUNCTION	FMC PIN	1 2		NOTES
		SOURCE/SINKS		
Spare	TP6A			
Spare	TP6B			
Spare	TP6C			
ARINC 429 Output	TP6D		Spare	
ARINC 429 Output	TP6E		Spare	
Spare	TP6F			
ARINC 429 Output	TP6G		ARINC 739A Offside MCDU	
ARINC 429 Output	TP6H		ARINC 739A Offside MCDU	
Spare	TP6J			
Discrete Input	TP6K		Reserved Spare	
ARINC 429 Input A	TP7A		Propulsion Data	
ARINC 429 Input B	TP7B		Source #3	
Spare	TP7C			
ARINC 429 Input A	TP7D		ARINC 706	
ARINC 429 Input B	TP7E		Air Data System #1	
Spare	TP7F			
ARINC 429 Input A	TP7G		ARINC 701	
ARINC 429 Input B	TP7H		Glare Shield Controller	
Spare	TP7J			
Discrete Input	TP7K			
Spare	TP8A			
Spare	TP8B			
Spare	TP8C			
Spare	TP8D			
Spare	TP8E			
Spare	TP8F			
Spare	TP8G			
Spare	TP8H			
Spare	TP8J			
Spare	TP8K			
ARINC 429 Input	TP9A		ARINC 739A Onside MCDU	
ARINC 429 Input	TP9B		ARINC 739A Onside MCDU	
Spare	TP9C			
ARINC 429 Input	TP9D		ARINC 615 Data Loader	6
ARINC 429 Input	TP9E		ARINC 615 Data Loader	
Discrete Input	TP9F			
ARINC 429 Output	TP9G		Data Utilization	
ARINC 429 Output	TP9H		Devices	
Spare	TP9J			
Discrete Input	TP9K		Man/Autotune Input #1	4
Spare	TP10A	o		
Spare	TP10B	o		
Spare	TP10C	o		
Spare	TP10D	o		
Spare	TP10E	o		
Spare	TP10F	o		
Spare	TP10G	o		
Spare	TP10H	o		
Spare	TP10J	o		
Spare	TP10K	o		

**ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING**

FUNCTION	FMC PIN	SOURCE/SINKS		NOTES
		1	2	
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP11A	EF/Instruments	
ARINC 429 Output		TP11B	EF/Instruments	
Spare		TP11C		
ARINC 429 Input	] B	TP11D	ARINC 739A Offside MCDU	
ARINC 429 Input		TP11E	ARINC 739A Offside MCDU	
Spare		TP11F		
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP11G	ARINC 615 Data Loader	6
ARINC 429 Output		TP11H	ARINC 615 Data Loader	
Spare		TP11J		
Discrete Input		TP11K	Man/Autotune Input #2	4
Spare		TP12A		
Spare		TP12B		
Spare		TP12C		
Spare		TP12D		
Spare		TP12E		
Spare		TP12F		
Spare		TP12G		
Spare		TP12H		
Spare		TP12J		
Spare		TP12K		
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP13A	Other ARINC 702A FMC	
ARINC 429 Output		TP13B	Other ARINC 702A FMC	
Spare		TP13C		
ARINC 429 Output	] B	TP13D	ARINC 739A Onside MCDU	
ARINC 429 Output		TP13E	ARINC 739A Onside MCDU	
Spare		TP13F		
ARINC 429 Output	] A	TP13G	Test Data Recording	
ARINC 429 Output		TP13H	Test Data Recording	
Spare		TP13J		
Discrete Output		TP13K	Alert Annunciator	
Spare		TP14A		
Spare		TP14B		
Spare		TP14C		
Ethernet If #1	] A	TP14D	615A Data Loader, 758 CMU, 6	
Ethernet If #1		TP14E	and/or 744A Printer via Ethernet Hub	
Ethernet If #1	] C	TP14F	615A Data Loader, 758 CMU, 6	
Ethernet If #1		TP14G	and/or 744A Printer via Ethernet Hub	
Ethernet If #1	E	TP14H	615A Data Loader, 758 CMU, 6	
			and/or 744A Printer via Ethernet Hub	
Spare		TP14J		
Spare		TP14K		

ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING

ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP15A	ARINC 758 CMU #1
ARINC 429 Input	] B	TP15B	ARINC 758 CMU #1
Spare		TP15C	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP15D	ARINC 704A IRS or
ARINC 429 Input	] B	TP15E	ARINC 705 AHRS #3
Spare		TP15F	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	TP15G	Propulsion Data Source #1
ARINC 429 Input	] B	TP15H	Propulsion Data Source #1
Spare		TP15J	
Discrete Output		TP15K	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP1A	Propulsion Data
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP1B	Source #4
Spare		MP1C	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP1D	ARINC 711 VOR #2
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP1E	ARINC 711 VOR #2
Spare		MP1F	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP1G	Other ARINC 702A FMC
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP1H	Other ARINC 702A FMC
Spare		MP1J	
Discrete Input		MP1K	SDI Code Input #1 [5]
ARINC 429 Output		MP2A	Autothrottle System
ARINC 429 Output		MP2B	Autothrottle System
Spare		MP2C	
ARINC 429 Output		MP2D	ARINC 624 Maintenance System
ARINC 429 Output		MP2E	ARINC 624 Maintenance System
Spare		MP2F	
ARINC 429 Output		MP2G	ARINC 740/744A Printer
ARINC 429 Output		MP2H	ARINC 740/744A Printer
Spare		MP2J	
Discrete Input		MP2K	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP3A	ARINC 704A IRS or
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP3B	ARINC 705 AHRS #2
Spare		MP3C	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP3D	ARINC 731 Digital Clock
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP3E	ARINC 731 Digital Clock
Spare		MP3F	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP3G	ARINC 724B ACARS
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP3H	ARINC 724B ACARS
Spare		MP3J	
Discrete Input		MP3K	SDI Input #2 5
Spare		MP4A	
Spare		MP4B	
Spare		MP4C	
ARINC 429 Output	] A	MP4D	Spare
ARINC 429 Output	] B	MP4E	Spare
Spare		MP4F	
ARINC 429 Input	] A	MP4G	ASAS Bus
ARINC 429 Input	] B	MP4H	ASAS Bus
Spare		MP4J	
Spare		MP4K	

**ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING**

FUNCTION	FMC PIN	1 2		NOTES
		SOURCE/SINKS		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP5A	Propulsion	
ARINC 429 Input		MP5B	Data Source #2	
Spare		MP5C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP5D	ARINC 706	
ARINC 429 Input		MP5E	Air Data System #2	
Spare		MP5F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP5G	ARINC 740/744A Printer	
ARINC 429 Input		MP5H	ARINC 740/744A Printer	
Spare		MP5J		
Discrete Input		MP5K	SDI Code Input #3	5
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP6A	ARINC 624 Maintenance System	
ARINC 429 Input		MP6B	ARINC 624 Maintenance System	
Spare		MP6C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP6D	ARINC 758 CMU #2	
ARINC 429 Input		MP6E	ARINC 758 CMU #2	
Spare		MP6F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP6G	ARINC 724B ACARS #2	
ARINC 429 Input		MP6H	ARINC 724B ACARS #2	
Spare		MP6J		
Discrete Output		MP6K		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP7A	ARINC 743A/755 GNSS #2	
ARINC 429 Input		MP7B	ARINC 743A/755 GNSS #2	
Spare		MP7C		
ARINC 429 Output	] A ] B	MP7D	Data Utilization	
ARINC 429 Output		MP7E	Devices	
Spare		MP7F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP7G	ARINC 709 DME #2	
ARINC 429 Input		MP7H	ARINC 709 DME #2	
Spare		MP7J		
Discrete Output		MP7K		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP8A	Spare	
ARINC 429 Input		MP8B	Spare	
Spare		MP8C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP8D	Spare	
ARINC 429 Input		MP8E	Spare	
Spare		MP8F		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP8G	Spare	
ARINC 429 Input		MP8H	Spare	
Spare		MP8J		
Spare		MP8K		
ARINC 429 Output	] A ] B	MP9A	ARINC 724B ACARS Data Link	
ARINC 429 Output		MP9B	ARINC 724B ACARS Data Link	
Spare		MP9C		
ARINC 429 Input	] A ] B	MP9D	EFIS	
ARINC 429 Input		MP9E	EFIS	
Discrete Input		MP9F		
ARINC 429 Output	] A ] B	MP9G	EFI Instrumentation	
ARINC 429 Output		MP9H	EFI Instrumentation	
Spare		MP9J		
Spare		MP9K		

ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING

FUNCTION	FMC PIN	1 2		NOTES
		SOURCE/SINKS		
Spare	MP10A			
Spare	MP10B			
Spare	MP10C			
Ethernet Interface #2	] A ] B	MP10D	615A Data Loader, 758 CMU, and/or 744A Printer via Ethernet Hub	
Ethernet Interface #2		MP10E		
Ethernet Interface #2	] C ] D ] E	MP10F	615A Data Loader, 758 CMU, and/or 744A Printer via Ethernet Hub	
Ethernet Interface #2		MP10G		
Ethernet Interface #2		MP10H		
Spare		MP10J		
Spare		MP10K		
Discrete Input	MP11A	Data Loader Interface	6	
Discrete Input	MP11B	Connector		
Discrete Input	MP11C	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP11D	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP11E	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP11F	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP11G	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP11H	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP11J	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP11K	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Spare	MP12A			
Spare	MP12B			
Spare	MP12C			
Spare	MP12D			
Spare	MP12E			
Spare	MP12F			
Spare	MP12G			
Spare	MP12H			
Spare	MP12J			
Spare	MP12K			
Discrete Input	MP13A	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP13B	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP13C	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP13D	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP13E	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP13F	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP13G	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP13H	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Discrete Input	MP13J	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP13K	Unique Discrete Inputs		
Spare	MP14A			
Spare	MP14B			
Spare	MP14C			
Spare	MP14D			
Spare	MP14E			
Spare	MP14F			
Spare	MP14G			
Spare	MP14H			
Spare	MP14J			
Spare	MP14K			

ATTACHMENT 2-2  
STANDARD INTERWIRING

FUNCTION	FMC PIN	SOURCE/SINKS		NOTES
		1	2	
Discrete Input	MP15A	Reserved for Application-		Unique Discrete Inputs
Discrete Input	MP15B	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15C	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15D	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15E	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15F	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15G	Reserved for Application-		
Discrete Input	MP15H	Reserved for Application-		
Reserved	MP15J	Reserved for Application-		
Reserved	MP15K	Reserved for Application-		
115 Vac AC Primary Power (Hot)	BP1	115 Vac AC 5 A C/B		
Spare	BP2			
Spare	BP3			
Spare	BP4			
Spare	BP5			
Spare	BP6			
115 Vac AC Primary Power (Cold)	BP7	ac AC Ground		
Chassis Ground	BP8	dc DC Ground		
Spare	BP9			
Spare	BP10			
Spare	BP11			
Spare	BP12			
Spare	BP13			

ATTACHMENT 2-3  
 NOTES APPLICABLE TO THE STANDARD INTERWIRING

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NOTES APPLICABLE TO THE STANDARD INTERWIRING

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**ATTACHMENT 2-3**

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**1. Standard Interwiring**

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The standard interwiring shown in this Attachment is for a single FMC installation comprised of one FMC and one CDU. For the sake of completeness, however, wiring is also shown to enable the FMC to operate with a second CDU and one for a cross-talk bus between this FMC and another one.

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Because of the variety of interwiring characteristics of aircraft installations utilizing the 702A FMC, this attachment does not standardize detailed interwiring in the traditional sense. Connector pin assignments are standardized with respect to input/output signal types only. While nominal signal functions are provided, manufacturers are encouraged to utilize programmable I/O design approaches which allow for variations in aircraft interfaces and installations.

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**1.2. Shield Grounds**

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Digital data bus shield grounds should be grounded to aircraft structure at both ends.

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**2.3. Off-Side CDU Enable Discrete**

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This discrete tells the FMC which CDU has control of data entry in dual CDU installations in which either may perform this function. When an open circuit is sensed by the FMC, its prime CDU has control. When the wire is connected to ground by means of a cockpit-located switch, or equivalent, the other CDU has control.

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**3.4. FMC Master/Slave and Manual Autotune Discrete**

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The Master/Slave discrete may be used in dual FMC installations to tell the FMCs which unit should be considered as master for dual system synchronism and redundancy management purposes as described in Section 3.5. The manual/autotune discrettes provide information to the FMCs on VOR/DME turning status. When in autotune mode, these radios accept tuning commands from the FMC.

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**4.5. Source/Destination Identifier (SDI) Encoding**

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Pins MP1K, MP3K, and MP5K are assigned for encoding the location of the FMC in the aircraft (i.e., system number) per Section 2.1.4 of ARINC Specification 429. If the SDI function is used, the following encoding scheme should be employed, the pins designated being either left open circuit or connected, on the aircraft-mounted half of the connector, to pin MP5K. The wiring of these pins should cause bit numbers 9 and 10 of each digital word transmitted by the FMC to take on the binary states defined in ARINC Specification 429. When the SDI function is not used, both pins MP1K and MP3K should be left open circuit such that bit numbers 9 and 10 are always binary zeros.

FMC No.	Connector Pin	
	MP1K	MP3K
Not Applicable	Open	Open
1	Open	To MP5K
2	To MP5K	Open
3	To MP5K	To MP5K



ATTACHMENT 2-3  
NOTES APPLICABLE TO THE STANDARD INTERWIRING

5088 The foregoing describes the SDI function performed by a data source. ARINC Specification  
5089 429 also discusses the data identification function to be performed by sinks whose system  
5090 numbers are encoded in this way. In summary, the FMC should recognize and accept data  
5091 words in which bit numbers 9 and 10 are either both zeros or form the code defined by pins  
5092 MP1K and MP3K. All other data may be discarded.

5093 5.6. Data Loader Interface

5094 It is expected that the airframe manufacturers will provide, at some convenient location on the  
5095 aircraft, a connection point for an external data loader of the type described in ARINC [Report](#)  
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ATTACHMENT 2-4  
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**ATTACHMENT 2-4** CONNECTOR INSERT LAYOUT

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K
1	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
2	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o
3	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
4	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
5	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
6	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
7	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
8	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o
9	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	o DISC INPUT	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
10	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o
11	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 615 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
12	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o
13	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC OUTPUT
14	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	ETHERNET INTERFACE #1 o A                      o B                      o C                      o D                      o E					SPARE o	SPARE o
15	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC OUTPUT

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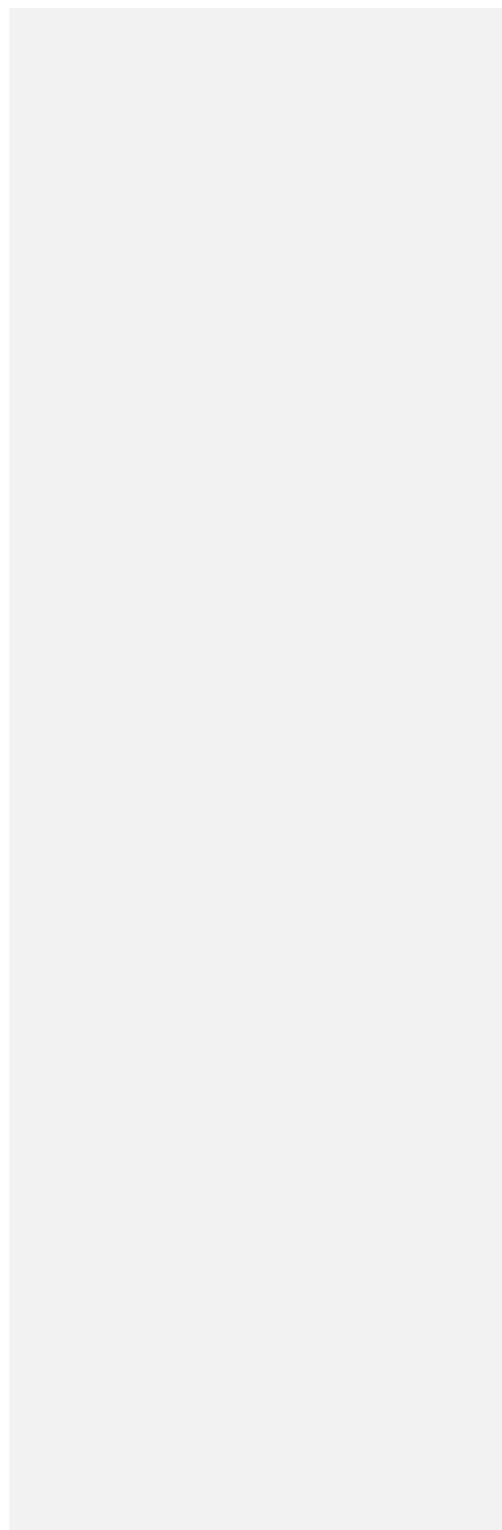
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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K
1	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	SDI CODE INPUT #1 o
2	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
3	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
4	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	SPARE o
5	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
6	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC OUTPUT
7	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	o DISC INPUT
8	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	SPARE o
9	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	ARINC 429 INPUT o A	o B	o DISC INPUT	ARINC 429 OUTPUT o A	o B	SPARE o	SPARE o
10	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	ETHERNET INTERFACE #2 o A      o B      o C      o D      o E					SPARE o	SPARE o
11	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT
12	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o
13	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT
14	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o	SPARE o
15	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o DISC INPUT	o RSVD	o RSVD

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CONNECTOR INSERT LAYOUT

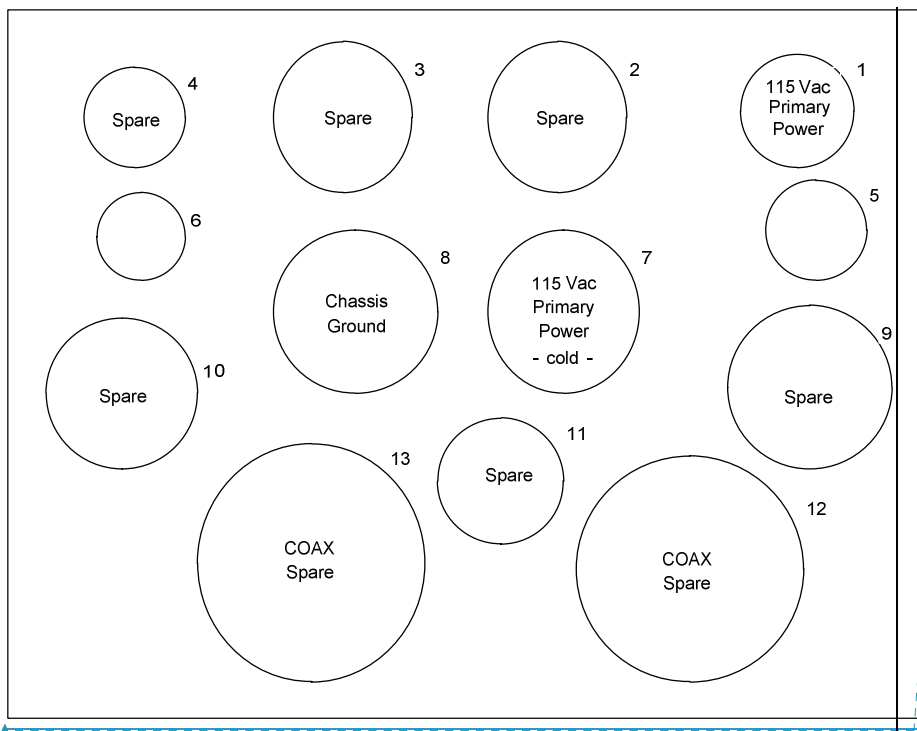
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ATTACHMENT 2-4  
CONNECTOR INSERT LAYOUT

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ATTACHMENT 3

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**ATTACHMENT 4  
DATA INPUT/OUTPUT FMC OUTPUTS**

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FUNCTION	LABEL		MCDU	GENERAL	EFI	ACARS	PRINTER	AUTO THROTTLE	TRAJECTORY
DISTANCE TO GO	001	BCD		X	X				
TIME TO GO	002	BCD			O				
PRESENT POSITION LATITUDE	010	BCD		O					
PRESENT POSITION LONGITUDE	011	BCD		O					
GROUND SPEED	012	BCD		O	X				
<a href="#">SELECTED RUNWAY HEADING</a>	<a href="#">017</a>	<a href="#">BCD</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
SELECTED N1/EPR (BCD)	021	BCD							
TACAN SELECTED COURSE (BCD)	027	BCD		O					
ILS FREQUENCY	033	BCD		O					
VOR/ILS FREQUENCY #1	034	BCD		O					
VOR/ILS FREQUENCY #2	034	BCD		O					
DME FREQUENCY #1	035	BCD		O					
DME FREQUENCY #2	035	BCD		O					
MLS FREQUENCY/CHANNEL	036	BCD		O					
SET LATITUDE	041	BCD		X					
SET LONGITUDE	042	BCD		X					
SET MAGNETIC HEADING	043	BCD		X					
<a href="#">FAS DATA BLOCK MESSAGE START</a> <small>(see ARINC 743B/755 for details)</small>	<a href="#">045</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
<a href="#">FAS DATA BLOCK MESSAGE DATA</a>	<a href="#">046</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
ETA (ACTIVE WAYPOINT)	056	BCD			X				
ACMS INFORMATION	061	BNR		O					
ACMS INFORMATION	062	BNR		O					
ACMS INFORMATION	063	BNR		O					
LONGITUDINAL (ACTIVE WAYPOINT) CENTER OF GRAVITY (BCD)	066	BCD		O					
REFERENCE AIRSPEED (VREF)	070	BNR		O	O				
TAKE-OFF CLIMB AIRSPEED (V2)	071	BNR		O	O				
ROTATION SPEED (VR)	072	BNR		O	X				
CRITICAL ENGINE FAILURE SPEED VI	073	BNR		X					
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT	074	BNR		O					
GROSS WEIGHT	075	BNR		X			O		
TARGET AIRSPEED	077	BNR		O					
SELECTED COURSE #1	100	BNR		O					
SELECTED ALTITUDE	102	BNR		O					X
SELECTED AIRSPEED	103	BNR		O			O		X
SELECTED VERTICAL SPEED	104	BNR		O					
SELECTED RUNWAY HEADING	105	BNR		O					
SELECTED MACH	106	BNR		O					X
SELECTED CRUISE ALTITUDE	107	BNR		O					
DESIRED TRACK	114	BNR		O	X				X

ATTACHMENT 4  
DATA INPUT/OUTPUT FMC OUTPUTS

FUNCTION	LABEL		MCDU	GENERAL	EFI	ACARS	PRINTER	AUTO THROTTLE	TRAJECTORY
WAYPOINT BEARING	115	BNR		X	X				
CROSS TRACK DISTANCE	116	BNR		O	X				
VERTICAL DEVIATION	117	BNR		O	O				
RANGE TO ALTITUDE	120	BNR			X				
HORIZONTAL COMMAND SIGNAL	121	BNR		X					
VERTICAL COMMAND SIGNAL	122	BNR		O					
THROTTLE COMMAND SIGNAL	123	BNR					O	O	
UNIVERSAL COORDINATED TIME (UTC)	125	BCD		X					
VERTICAL DEVIATION (WIDE)	126	BNR		O					
SELECTED LANDING ALTITUDE	127	BNR		X					
CURRENT VERTICAL PATH PERF LIMIT	135	BNR							X
CURRENT VERTICAL PATH PERF	136	BNR							X
GREENWICH MEAN TIME (UTC)	150	BNR		X	X			O	X
LOCALIZER BEARING (TRUE)	151	BNR		O					
MAXIMUM ALTITUDE	153	BNR		X					
RUNWAY HEADING (TRUE)	154	BNR		X					
ESTIMATED POSITION UNCERTAINTY	167	BNR							X
CURRENT RNP	171	BNR							X
DRIFT ANGLE	200	BCD		O					
ENERGY MANAGEMENT (CLEAN)	202	BNR			O				
ENERGY MANAGEMENT SPEED BRAKES	203	BNR			O				
UTILITY AIRSPEED	204	BNR		O	O				
BARO ALTITUDE	204	BNR							
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #1</a> <small>(see ARINC755 for details)</small>	<a href="#">205</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
COMPUTED AIRSPEED	206	BNR							
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #2</a>	<a href="#">206</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #3</a>	<a href="#">207</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
TOTAL AIR TEMPERATURE	211	BNR					O	O	
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #4</a>	<a href="#">211</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
ALTITUDE RATE	212	BNR							
STATIC AIR TEMPERATURE	213	BNR					O	O	
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #5</a>	<a href="#">213</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #6</a>	<a href="#">215</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
GEOMETRIC VERTICAL RATE	217	BNR							
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #7</a>	<a href="#">217</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
MCDU #1 ADDRESS LABEL	220		X						
<a href="#">MCDU #1 ADDRESS LABEL</a>	<a href="#">220</a>		X						
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #8</a>	<a href="#">220</a>	<a href="#">BLK</a>		<a href="#">O</a>					
MCDU #2 ADDRESS LABEL	221		X						



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FUNCTION	LABEL		MCDU	GENERAL	EFI	ACARS	PRINTER	AUTO THROTTLE	TRAJECTORY
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #9</a>	221	BLK		O					
MCDU #3 ADDRESS LABEL	222		O						
CDU DATA (PER ARINC 739)			X						
PRINTER #1 ADDRESS LABEL	223						O		
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #10</a>	223	BLK		O					
PRINTER #2 ADDRESS LABEL	224						O		
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #11</a>	224	BLK		O					
MINIMUM MANEUVERING AIR SPEED	225	BNR			O				
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #12</a>	225	BLK		O					
MINIMUM OPERATING FUEL TEMP.	226	BNR		O					
MCDU #4 ADDRESS LABEL	230			X					
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #13</a>	225	BLK		O					
ACTIVE TRAJ INTENT DATA BLOCK	232								X
ACMS INFORMATION	233								X
ACMS INFORMATION	234								X
ACMS INFORMATION	235								X
ACMS INFORMATION	236								X
ACMS INFORMATION	237								X
MIN. AIRSPEED FOR FLAP EXTENSION	241	BNR			O				
MODIFIED INTENT DATA BLOCK	242								X
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #14</a>	242	BLK		O					
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #15</a>	244	BLK		O					
MINIMUM AIRSPEED	245	BNR		O					
GENERAL MAX SPEED (VCMAX)	246	BNR		O					
<a href="#">SBAS FAS DATABLOCK WORD #16</a>	246	BLK		O					
CONTROL MINIMUM SPEED (VCMIN)	247	BNR		O					
CONTINUOUS N1 SPEED	250	BNR	O				O		
GO-AROUND N1 LIMIT	253	BNR		X					
CRUISE N1 LIMIT	254	BNR		X					
CLIMB N1 LIMIT	255	BNR		X					
TIME FOR CLIMB	256	BNR		O					
TIME FOR DESCENT	257	BNR		O					
DATE/FLIGHT LEG	260	BCD		X				O	
FLIGHT NUMBER (BCD)	261	BCD		O					
DOCUMENTARY DATA (PER ARINC 619)	262	BNR				O			
MIN. AIRSPEED FOR FLAP RETRACTION	263	BNR			O				
NDB EFFECTIVITY	263			O					
TIME TO TOUCHDOWN	264	BNR		O	O				
MIN. BUFFET AIRSPEED	265	BNR		O					

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FUNCTION	LABEL		MCDU	GENERAL	EFI	ACARS	PRINTER	AUTO THROTTLE	TRAJECTORY
MAX. MANEUVER AIRSPEED	267	BNR		O	O				
INTENT STATUS	270	DISC							X
STATUS DISCRETES	270	DISC		X					
DISCRETE DATA #1	270	DISC			X				
DISCRETE DATA #2	271	DISC		X	X				
DISCRETE DATA #3	272	DISC		O	O				
DISCRETE DATA #6	275	DISC		O	O				
DISCRETE DATA #7	276	DISC		O	O				
APPLICATION DEPENDENT	301				O				
APPLICATION DEPENDENT	302				O				
APPLICATION DEPENDENT	303				O				
PRESENT POSITION LATITUDE	310	BNR		O	X				X
PRESENT POSITION LONGITUDE	311	BNR		O	X				X
GROUND SPEED	312	BNR		O	X				X
TRACK ANGLE TRUE	313	BNR		O	X				X
TRUE HEADING	314	BNR							X
WIND SPEED	315	BNR			X				X
WIND DIRECTION (TRUE)	316	BNR			X				X
TRACK ANGLE MAGNETIC	317	BNR		O	X				
MAGNETIC HEADING	320	BNR							X
DRIFT ANGLE	321	BNR		O	X				
FLIGHT PATH ANGLE	322	BNR			O				
GEOMETRIC ALTITUDE	323	BNR							
TRACK ANGLE RATE	335	BNR							X
N1 OR EPR COMMAND	341	BNR		X			O	O	
N1 BUG DRIVE	342	BNR		X			O	O	
MAINTENANCE DATA #5	354			O					
ISO ALPHABET #5 MESSAGE	357	ISO-5			O				
FLIGHT INFORMATION	360	BNR		O	O				
N/S VELOCITY	366	BNR							X
E/W VELOCITY	367	BNR							X
EQUIPMENT ID	377			X					

Notes:

- 2-4. \_\_\_\_\_ X = Basic or Baseline
- 3-5. \_\_\_\_\_ O = Optional

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5123 **ATTACHMENT 5 ENVIRONMENTAL TEST CATEGORIES**

ENVIRONMENT	RTCA DO-160 SECTION	CATEGORY RTCA DO-160C/D
Temperature and Altitude	4	Category A2/W
Temperature Variation	5	Category A
Humidity	6	Category B
Shock	7	
Vibration	8	Category B'
Explosion	9	Category X
Waterproofness	10	Category X
Hydraulic Fluid	11	Category X
Sand and Dust	12	Category X
- Fungus	13	Category F
- Salt Spray	14	Category X
Magnetic Effects	15	Category Z
Power Input	16	Category A
Voltage Spikes	17	Category A
Audio Frequency		
- Conducted Susceptibility	18	Category Z
Electromagnetic Compatibility		Category A
- Induced Signal Susceptibility	19	Category Z
- Radio Frequency Susceptibility	20	Category W
- Emission of Radio Frequency Energy	21	Category Z
- Lightning	22	600v/120a

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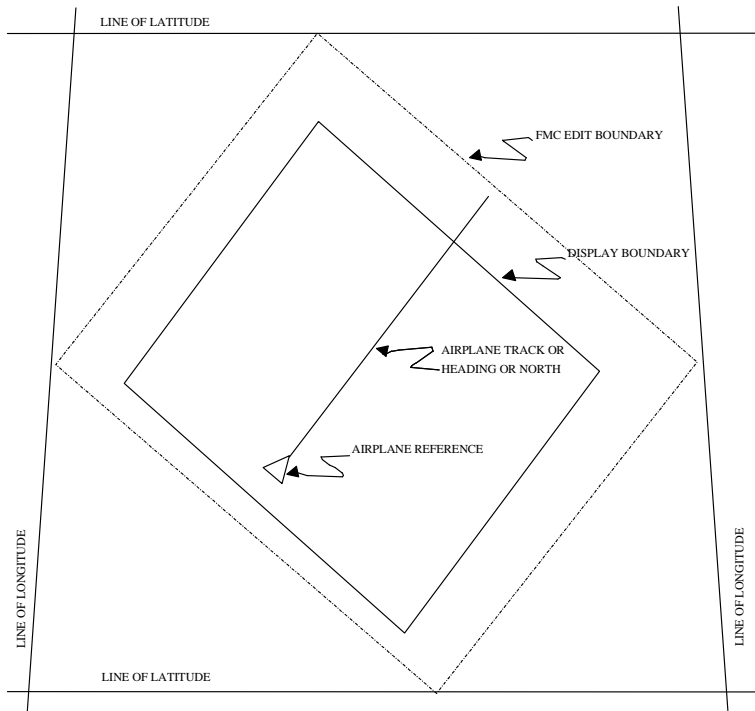
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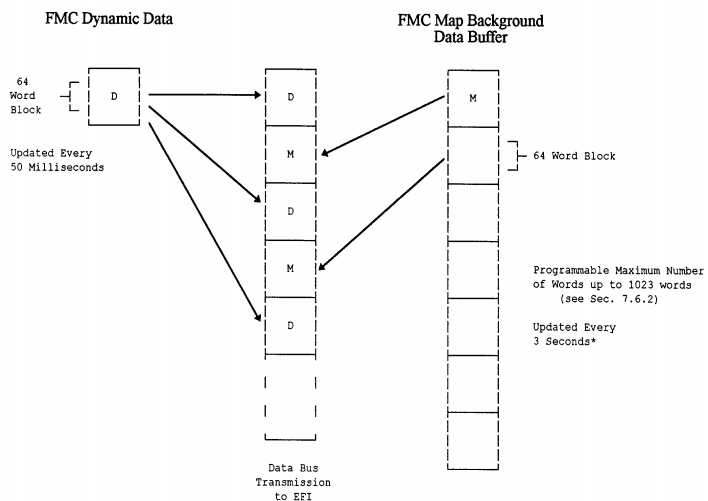
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**Figure 6-1 – Map Edit Area  
North-Up Orientation Used in Plan Mode**

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Note: Updated and transmitted within 1 second after either a mode, scale or option change.

**Figure 6-2 – FMC/EFI Data Transmission Format**

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5 | 39 Table 6-1 – FMC/EFI Data Type Identification Codes

OCTAL LABEL	BIT POSITION								PARAMETER
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
301	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	START OF TRANSMISSION (SOT) (BACKGROUND)
303	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	START OF TRANSMISSION (SOT) (DYNAMIC)
100	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	VECTOR - Active Flight Plan
300	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	- Active Flight Plan Changes
040	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	- Inactive Flight Plan
240	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	- Inactive Flight Plan Changes
140	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	- Radial
340	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	- Runway Center Line
020	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	- Offset Path
220	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
120	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
320	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
060	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
260	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
160	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	VECTOR IDENTIFIERS
360	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	undefined
010	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	undefined
210	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	undefined
110	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	undefined
310	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	undefined
050	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	undefined
250	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	SYMBOLS - VORTAC + Identifier
150	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	- Tuned VORTAC + Identifier
350	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	- VOR + Identifier
030	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	- Tuned VOR + Identifier
230	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	- DME/TACAN + Identifier
130	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	- Tuned DME/TACAN + Identifier
330	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	- Waypoint + Identifier
070	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	- Active Waypoint + Identifier
270	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	- Airfield + Identifier
170	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	- Origin/Destination Airfield Ident
370	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	- GRP + Identifier
004	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	- Altitude Profile Point + Identifier
204	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	- Selected Reference Point
104	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
304	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
044	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
244	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
144	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
344	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	undefined
024	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	undefined
224	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	TEXT - Type 1: Navigation Advisory
124	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	- Type 2: Maintenance Test
324	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	- Type 3
064	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	- Type 4
264	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	MAP REFERENCE GROUP - Latitude

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OCTAL LABEL	BIT POSITION								PARAMETER
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
164	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	-Longitude
364	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	DISCRETE WORD - Map Mode
014	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	- Range
214	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	undefined
114	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	undefined
314	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	undefined
054	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	ROTATED SYMBOLS - Runway + Identifier
254	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	- Airport + Runway + Identifier
154	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	- Marker Beacon
354	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	- Holding Pattern – R
034	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	- Holding Pattern – L
234	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	- Procedure Turn – R
134	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	- Procedure Turn – L
334	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	undefined
074	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	undefined
274	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	undefined
174	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	undefined
374	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	undefined
302	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	END OF TRANSMISSION (EOT)
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	FILL-IN WORDS

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5141 **Table 6-2 Symbol Word Group**

5142 The symbol group is comprised of the following:

5143 **Table 6-2A – Latitude Symbol Word**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	NS	Latitude (Degrees)														SYMBOL TYPE														

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**Table 6-2A-1 – Latitude**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
<u>9</u>	<u>0.00008</u>	
<u>10</u>	<u>0.00017</u>	
<u>11</u>	<u>0.0003</u>	
<u>12</u>	<u>0.0006</u>	
<u>13</u>	<u>0.0013</u>	
<u>14</u>	<u>0.0027</u>	
<u>15</u>	<u>0.0054</u>	
<u>16</u>	<u>0.0109</u>	
<u>17</u>	<u>0.0219</u>	
<u>18</u>	<u>0.0439</u>	
<u>19</u>	<u>0.0878</u>	
<u>20</u>	<u>0.1757</u>	
<u>21</u>	<u>0.3515</u>	
<u>22</u>	<u>0.7031</u>	
<u>23</u>	<u>1.406</u>	
<u>24</u>	<u>2.812</u>	
<u>25</u>	<u>5.625</u>	

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26	11.25	
27	22.5	
28	45.0	

Table 6-2A-2 – NS Bit

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BIT 29	VALUE	NOTES
0	North	
1	South	

Table 6-2A-3 – Sign/Status its

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BIT 31 30		WORD DESCRIPTION
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional, character words
1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

Table 6-2B – Longitude Symbol Word

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32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	EW	Longitude (Degrees)																			SYMBOL TYPE									

Table 6-2B-1 – Longitude

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	0.00017	
10	0.0003	
11	0.0006	
12	0.0013	
13	0.0027	
14	0.0054	
15	0.0109	
16	0.0219	
17	0.0439	
18	0.0878	
19	0.1757	
20	0.3515	
21	0.7031	
22	1.406	
23	2.812	
24	5.625	
25	11.25	
26	22.5	
27	45.0	
28	90.0	



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**Table 6-2B-2 – EW**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
0	East	
1	West	

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**Table 6-2B-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	WORD	DESCRIPTION
31	30	
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional, character words
1	1	Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

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**Table 6-2C-1 – Azimuth**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	0.00017	
10	0.0003	
11	0.0006	
12	0.0013	
13	0.0027	
14	0.0054	
15	0.0109	
16	0.0219	
17	0.0439	
18	0.0878	
19	0.1757	
20	0.3515	
21	0.7031	
22	1.406	
23	2.812	
24	5.625	
25	11.25	
26	22.5	
27	45.0	
28	90.0	

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**Table 6-2C-2 – Sign**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
0	Plus	
1	Minus	

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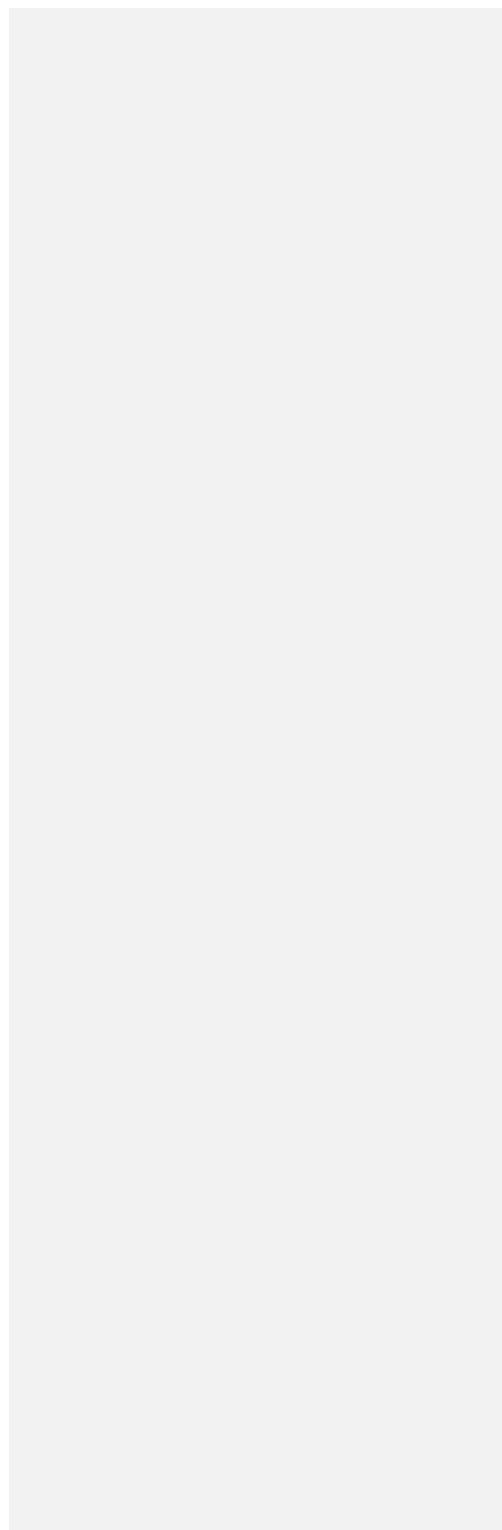
**Table 6-2C-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	WORD	DESCRIPTION
31	30	
0	1	First word of data type group

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<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Intermediate positional, character words</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Last word of data type group</u>

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5157 **Table 6-2D – Symbol Identifier Word(s)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1											
P	SSM		CHARACTER #3						CHARACTER #2						CHARACTER #1						SYMBOL TYPE																					
			b7						b1						b7						b1																					

5158 **Table 6-2D-1 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	WORD	DESCRIPTION
31	30	
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional character words
1	1	Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

5159 **Note:** Character data is encoded per ISO #5 format with bit 1  
5160 transmitted first. See Section 2 of Attachment 7.

5161 **Table 6-2E – Length (Runway Symbols Only)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	±	Runway Length (Feet)														Pad		SYMBOL TYPE												
																	(all 0's)														

5162 **Table 6-2E-1 – Runway Length**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
14	1	
15	2	
16	4	
17	8	
18	16	
19	32	
20	64	
21	128	
22	256	
23	512	
24	1024	
25	2048	
26	4096	
27	8192	
28	16384	

5163 **Table 6-2E-2 – Sign Bit**

BIT 29	VALUE	NOTES
0	Plus	
1	Minus	

5164 **Table 6-2E-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

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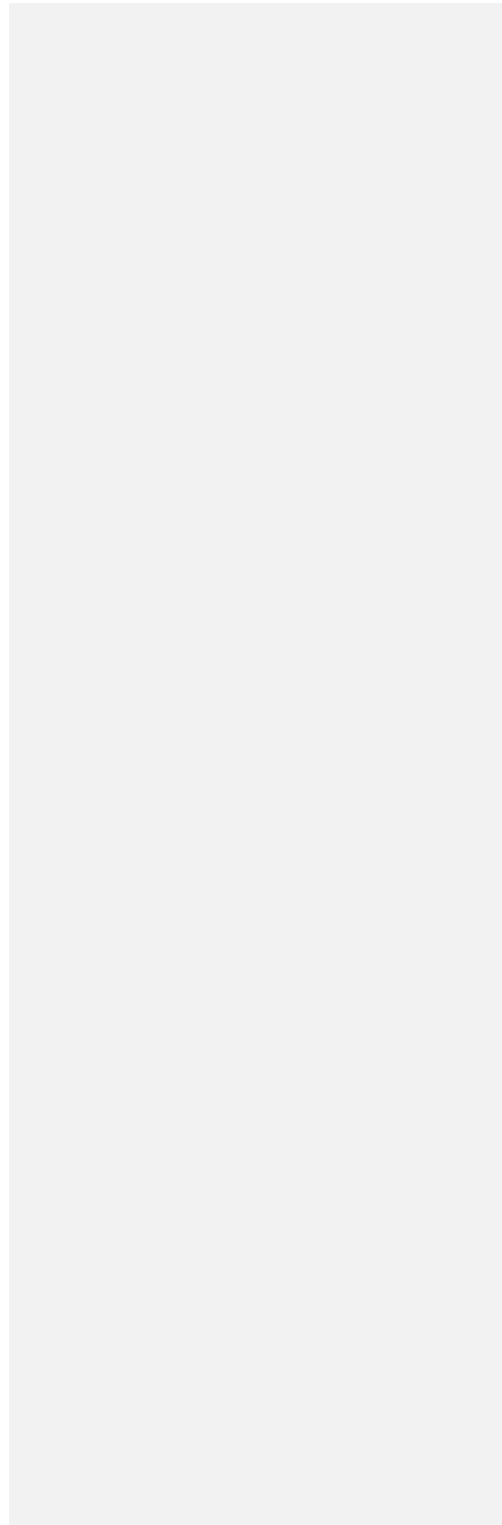
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<u>BIT</u>		<u>WORD DESCRIPTION</u>
<u>31</u>	<u>30</u>	
<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>First word of data type group</u>
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Intermediate positional, character words</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Last word of data type group</u>

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**Table 6-2C – Azimuth Symbol Word (Rotated Symbols Only)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM		±	Azimuth (Degrees)																			SYMBOL TYPE								

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**Table 6-3 Vector Word Group**

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The Vector Word Group is comprised of the following:

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**Table 6-3A – Latitude Vector Word**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM		NS	Latitude (Degrees)																			VECTOR TYPE								

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**Table 6-3A-1 – Latitude**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	0.00008	
10	0.00017	
11	0.0003	
12	0.0006	
13	0.0013	
14	0.0027	
15	0.0054	
16	0.0109	
17	0.0219	
18	0.0439	
19	0.0878	
20	0.1757	
21	0.3515	
22	0.7031	
23	1.406	
24	2.812	
25	5.625	
26	11.25	
27	22.5	
28	45.0	

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**Table 6-3A-2 – NS Bit**

BIT 29	VALUE	NOTES
0	North	
1	South	

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**Table 6-3A-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	WORD DESCRIPTION
31 30	
0 1	First word of data type group
0 0	Intermediate positional, character words

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1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

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Table 6-3B – Longitude Vector Word

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM		EW	Longitude (Degrees)																		VECTOR TYPE									

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Table 6-3B-1 – Longitude

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	0.00017	
10	0.0003	
11	0.0006	
12	0.0013	
13	0.0027	
14	0.0054	
15	0.0109	
16	0.0219	
17	0.0439	
18	0.0878	
19	0.1757	
20	0.3515	
21	0.7031	
22	1.406	
23	2.812	
24	5.625	
25	11.25	
26	22.5	
27	45.0	
28	90.0	

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Table 6-3B-2 – EW Bit

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
29		
0	East	
1	West	

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Table 6-3B-3 – Sign/Status Bits

BIT 31 30		WORD DESCRIPTION
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional, character words
1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

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Table 6-3C – Conic Definition Word (Subtended Angle)

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	±	Subtended Angle (Degrees)													Pad (all 0's)			VECTOR TYPE												

Table 6-3C-1 – Subtended Angle

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
17	0.0439	
18	0.0879	
19	0.1758	
20	0.3515	
21	0.7031	
22	1.406	
23	2.812	
24	5.625	
25	11.25	
26	22.5	
27	45.0	
28	90.0	

Table 6-3C-2 – Sign Bit

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
29		
0	Plus	
1	Minus	

Table 6-3C-3 – Sign/Status Bits

BIT		WORD DESCRIPTION
31	30	
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional character words
1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

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Table 6-3D – Conic Definition Word (Radius)

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	Sign	Radius (NM)																	Pad (all 0's)	VECTOR TYPE										

Table 6-3D-1 – Radius

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
14	2 <sup>-7</sup>	
15	2 <sup>-6</sup>	
16	2 <sup>-5</sup>	
17	2 <sup>-4</sup>	
18	2 <sup>-3</sup>	
19	2 <sup>-2</sup>	
20	2 <sup>-1</sup>	
21	2 <sup>0</sup>	
22	2 <sup>1</sup>	
23	2 <sup>2</sup>	
24	2 <sup>3</sup>	
25	2 <sup>4</sup>	
26	2 <sup>5</sup>	
27	2 <sup>6</sup>	
28	2 <sup>7</sup>	

Table 6-3D-2 – Sign Bit

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
29		
0	Plus	
1	Minus	

Table 6-3D-3 – Sign/Status Bits

BIT	31	30	WORD DESCRIPTION
0	1		First word of data type group
0	0		Intermediate positional, character words
1	1		Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0		Last word of data type group

Table 6-3E – Conic Definition Word (Initial Angle)

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	Sign	Initial Angle (Degrees)													Pad (all 0's)	VECTOR TYPE														

Table 6-3E-1 – Initial Angle

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
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<u>17</u>	<u>0.0439</u>	
<u>18</u>	<u>0.0879</u>	
<u>19</u>	<u>0.1758</u>	
<u>20</u>	<u>0.3515</u>	
<u>21</u>	<u>0.7031</u>	
<u>22</u>	<u>1.406</u>	
<u>23</u>	<u>2.812</u>	
<u>24</u>	<u>5.625</u>	
<u>25</u>	<u>11.25</u>	
<u>26</u>	<u>22.5</u>	
<u>27</u>	<u>45.0</u>	
<u>28</u>	<u>90.0</u>	

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**Table 6-3E-2 – Sign Bit**

<b>BIT</b>	<b>VALUE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<u>29</u>		
<u>0</u>	Plus	
<u>1</u>	Minus	

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**Table 6-3E-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

<b>BIT</b>		<b>WORD DESCRIPTION</b>
<u>31</u>	<u>30</u>	
<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	First word of data type group
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	Intermediate positional, character words
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Last word of data type group

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**Table 6-4 Map References Position Word Group**

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The Map Reference Position Word Group consists of the following:

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**Table 6-4A – Latitude (Plan Mode) Word (Label 264)**

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<u>32</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
P	SSM	NS	Latitude (Degrees)																												

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**Table 6-4A-1 – Latitude**

<b>BIT</b>	<b>VALUE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<u>9</u>	<u>0.00008</u>	
<u>10</u>	<u>0.00017</u>	
<u>11</u>	<u>0.0003</u>	
<u>12</u>	<u>0.0006</u>	
<u>13</u>	<u>0.0013</u>	
<u>14</u>	<u>0.0027</u>	
<u>15</u>	<u>0.0054</u>	
<u>16</u>	<u>0.0109</u>	
<u>17</u>	<u>0.0219</u>	

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<u>18</u>	<u>0.0439</u>	
<u>19</u>	<u>0.0878</u>	
<u>20</u>	<u>0.1757</u>	
<u>21</u>	<u>0.3515</u>	
<u>22</u>	<u>0.7031</u>	
<u>23</u>	<u>1.406</u>	
<u>24</u>	<u>2.812</u>	
<u>25</u>	<u>5.625</u>	
<u>26</u>	<u>11.25</u>	
<u>27</u>	<u>22.50</u>	
<u>28</u>	<u>45.0</u>	

**Table 6-4A-2 – NS Bit**

<b>BIT</b>	<b>VALUE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<u>29</u>		
<u>0</u>	<u>North</u>	
<u>1</u>	<u>South</u>	

**Table 6-24-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

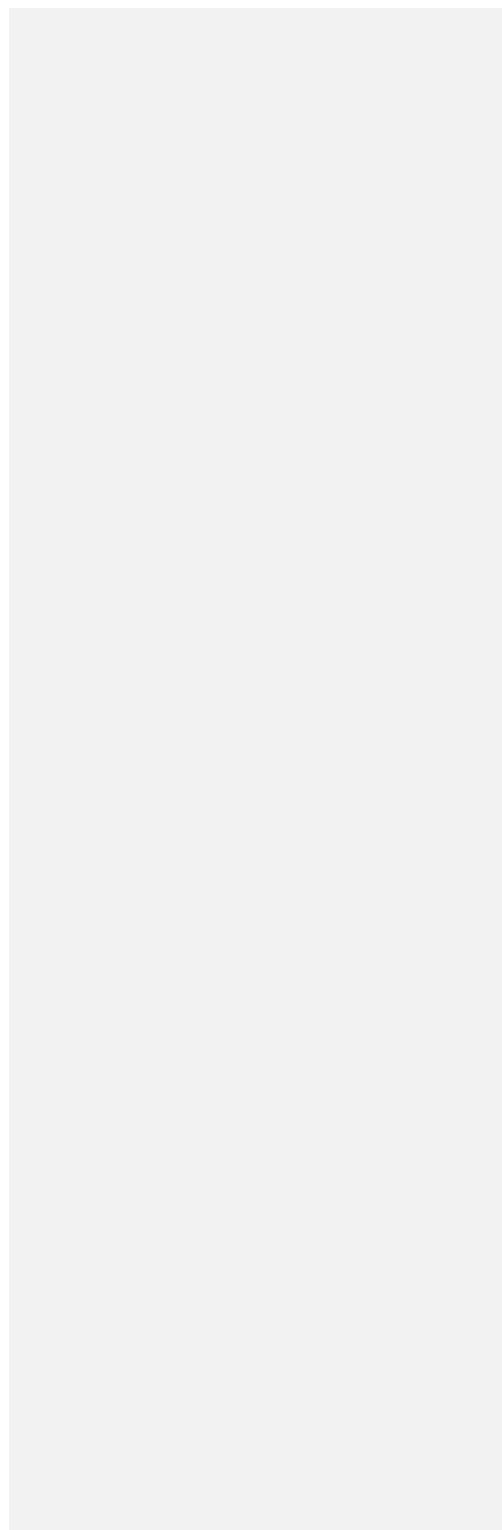
<b>BIT</b>		<b>WORD DESCRIPTION</b>
<u>31</u>	<u>30</u>	
<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>First word of data type group</u>
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Intermediate positional character words</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Last word of data type group</u>

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**Table 6-4B – Longitude (Plan Mode) Word (Label 164)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
P	SSM	EW	Longitude (Degrees)																						0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0

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**Table 6-4B-1 – Longitude**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	0.00017	
10	0.0003	
11	0.0006	
12	0.0013	
13	0.0027	
14	0.0054	
15	0.0109	
16	0.0219	
17	0.0439	
18	0.0878	
19	0.1757	
20	0.3515	
21	0.7031	
22	1.406	
23	2.812	
24	5.625	
25	11.25	
26	22.5	
27	45.0	
28	90.0	

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**Table 6-4B-2 – EW Bit**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
29		
0	East	
1	West	

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**Table 6-4B-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	31	30	WORD DESCRIPTION
0	1		First word of data type group
0	0		Intermediate positional, character words
1	1		Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0		Last word of data type group

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**Table 6-4C – Map Mode Discrete Word (Label 364)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
P	SSM		0	0	0						0	0									0	0				0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1

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**Table 6-4C-1**

BIT	NAME	ZERO	ONE	NOTES
11	MAP			1

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12	VOR			1
13	ILS			1
14	PLAN			1
15	SPARE			1
16	SPARE			1
17	EFIS S/T			
20	NAV AIDS			
21	GPS			
22	WAYPOINT DATA			
23	AIRPORTS			
24	MAP ORIENT			
25	VOR/ILS ORIENT			
26	RA ALERT RESET			

Table 6-4C-2 – Sign/Status Bits

BIT		WORD DESCRIPTION
31	30	
0	1	First word of data type group
0	0	Intermediate positional, character words
1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

Note:

- For bits 11 through 16, only 1 bit should be set at a time.

Table 6-4D – Map Range Discrete Word (Label 014)

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1										
P	SSM	Range (Miles)	PAD																	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0														
		Note 1	(all 0's)																																						

Table 6-4D-1 – Range

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
24	5.0	
25	10.0	
26	20.0	
27	40.0	
28	80.0	
29	160.0	

Table 6-4D-2 – WXR Data

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
23		
0		
1		

Table 6-4D-3 – Sign/Status Bits

BIT		WORD DESCRIPTION
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Q	1	First word of data type group
Q	0	Intermediate positional character words
1	1	Control word (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

Note:

1. All bits set to zero represents 320 mile range

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**Table 6-5 Dynamic Symbol Word Group**

The Dynamic Symbol Word Group consists of the following:

**Table 6-5A – Altitude Range Arc Word (Label 157)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
P	SSM	±	Altitude Range (NM)																	Pad	1 1 1 1 0 1 0										
																	(all 0's)														

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**Table 6-5A-1 – Altitude Range**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
14	2 <sup>-6</sup>	
15	2 <sup>-5</sup>	
16	2 <sup>-4</sup>	
17	2 <sup>-3</sup>	
18	2 <sup>-3</sup>	
19	2 <sup>-1</sup>	
20	2 <sup>0</sup>	
21	2 <sup>1</sup>	
22	2 <sup>2</sup>	
23	2 <sup>3</sup>	
24	2 <sup>4</sup>	
25	2 <sup>5</sup>	
26	2 <sup>6</sup>	
28	2 <sup>7</sup>	
28	2 <sup>8</sup>	

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**Table 6-5A-2 – Sign Bit**

BIT 29	VALUE	NOTES
0	Plus	
1	Minus	

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**Table 6-5A-3 – Sign/Status Bits**

BIT	WORD DESCRIPTION
31 30	
0 1	First word of data type group

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0	0	Intermediate positional character words
1	1	Control words (symbol rotation and vector conics)
1	0	Last word of data type group

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**Table 6-6 Bus Control Words**

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The following Bus Control Word Group consists of the following:

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**Table 6-6A – SOT (Start of Transmission) Word (Background Data) (Label 301)**

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32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
P	1	1	WORD COUNT (Note 1)											0	0	0	0	0	0	BLOCK NUMBER						1	0	0	0	0	1	1

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**Table 6-6A-1 – Block Number**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
9	1.0	
10	2.0	
11	4.0	
12	9.0	
13	16.0	

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**Table 6-6A-2 – Word Count**

BIT	VALUE	NOTES
20	1.0	
21	2.0	
22	4.0	
23	8.0	
24	16.0	
25	32.0	
26	64.0	
27	128.0	
28	256	
29	512	

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Note: The word count is the number of usable words being transmitted in the background data transfer. This count is only coded in the 301 label of the first 64 block.

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**Table 6-6B – SOT (Start of Transmission) Word (Dynamic Data) (Label 303)**

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32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
P	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1

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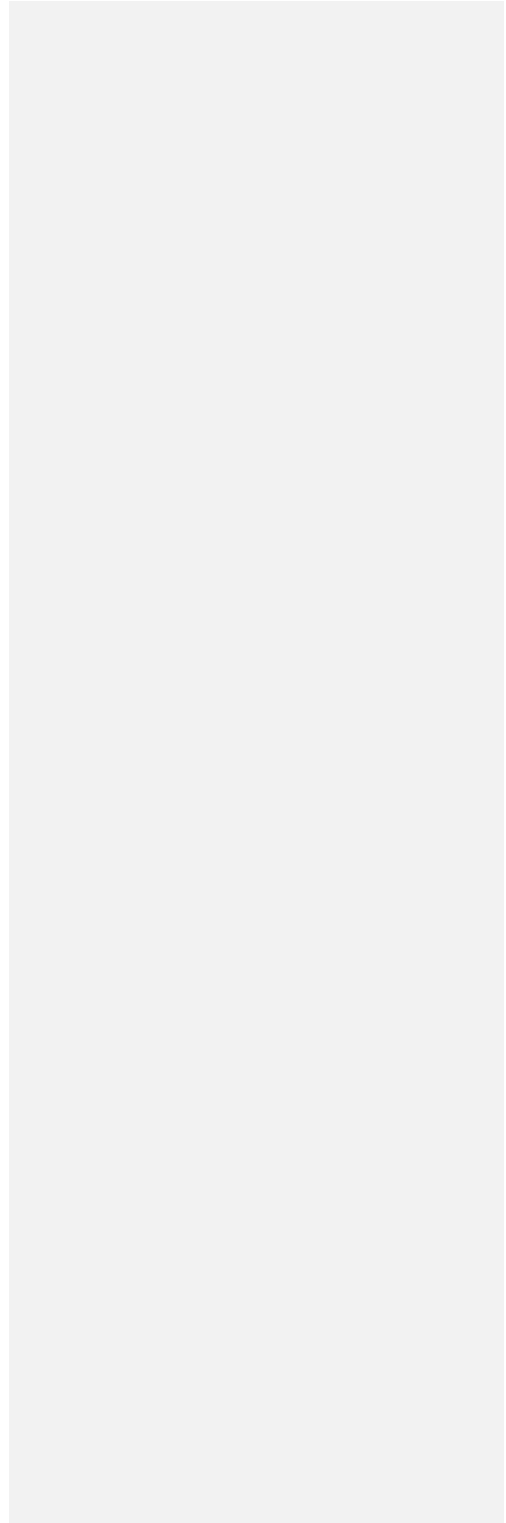
**Table 6-6C – SOT (End of Transmission) Word Label 302)**

32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
P	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1

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5245 **Part A**

5246 **Text-Imbedded Error Check For Ground Computer/Airborne Computer Messages**

5247 **Section 1**

5248 **End-to-End Error Check**

5249 The FMC should provide the facility to perform an “end-to-end” error check on  
5250 messages received and transmitted via ACARS. This is accomplished by  
5251 designating the four characters preceding the suffix character (ETX) of the final  
5252 block of the message as the “text-imbedded” error control field. This field will be  
5253 used to verify successful transfer of each message to which the end-to-end error  
5254 check applies.

5255 The allowable character set on which the end-to-end check is performed is defined  
5256 in Attachment 10 to this Characteristic, entitled “ISO Alphabet No. 5 Subset for  
5257 Ground Computer/Airborne Computer Message Exchange Via ACARS.” In addition,  
5258 bit patterns of the characters appended to the message by the error checking  
5259 procedure should be encoded per this ISO subset.

5260 The pad bit for each 7-bit character in the message is set to a binary zero prior to  
5261 encoding or decoding of the error check.

5262 The error check to be used in the verification of end-to-end message integrity is a  
5263 Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC), described in Section 3 of this attachment,  
5264 “Character-oriented CRC Calculation.” The CRC generator polynomial is the same  
5265 CCITT polynomial introduced into ARINC Specification 429 by Supplement 12.

5266 **COMMENTARY**

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5267 The end-to-end error check provides an assurance that a message  
5268 composed on the ground has been correctly reconstructed by the  
5269 FMC (and vice versa for messages originated by the FMC). It  
5270 supplements the message integrity assurance provisions which are  
5271 employed at various levels during the transfer of data from originator  
5272 (e.g., the host airline computer) to the FMC. The normal message  
5273 integrity checks which, onboard the aircraft, include BCS, word count  
5274 check, parity check, etc., should continue to be exercised in  
5275 accordance with ~~the appropriate ACARS Characteristic (ARINC 597,~~  
5276 ~~724, or 724B) ARINC 724()~~ and this Characteristic.

5277 **Encoding the CRC at the Message Source**

5278 The procedure specifying the application of the CRC by the source on the message  
5279 text is as follows. (See Section 3 of this attachment, Character-Oriented CRC  
5280 Calculation, for a detailed description and example of this procedure.)

- 5281
- The CRC is to be applied to the message text beginning with the first  
5282 character of the IMI, and ending with the last text character of the message.
  - When ordering bits in the message to be CRC'd, the Most Significant Bit  
5283 (MSB) of the message is the least significant bit of the first character of the  
5284 IMI. The Least Significant Bit (LSB) of the message is the most significant bit  
5285 of the last text character of the message (excluding the ETX character).  
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- After the source has been determined the CRC code from the 16-bit “remainder,” four hexadecimal characters representing these 4-bit bytes will be encoded as ISO #5 characters for the CRC field. The hexadecimal characters are determined by assigning 4 bits at a time in the order specified by the table in Section 2 of this attachment. The resulting four characters are placed at the end of the original message text to be transmitted, in the same transmission order as message text characters; i.e., the LSB of each character is transmitted first.
  - For character-oriented file transfer protocols, an ETX character follows the last character of the CRC code.

5297 **Decoding the CRC at the Message Sink**

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- Upon the receipt of a message which is error-free in accordance with the link level protocol, the sink will begin verification of the received message.
  - In order to verify the value of the CRC, the sink should first ensure each 7-bit ISO #5 character of the message text has the associated pad bit set to a binary zero, such that each character can be assumed to be 8 bits in length. The sink should also ensure any intermediate “end-of-block” characters have been deleted from the message text.
    - The sink then operates on the four characters representing the CRC code to translate them back to the original 16-bit binary value calculated by the source; i.e., the reverse of the procedure specified above is performed. Finally, the sink verifies the integrity of the message text by applying either of the verification procedures specified for the receiving system in the following section on Character-Oriented CRC Calculation.
  - If the CRC confirms message integrity, the sink should accept the message. If message integrity is not confirmed (the CRC fails), the sink should discard the message. Further action will be defined by the user and will depend on the application of the message.

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**COMMENTARY**

5316 This CRC scheme is only compatible with uncorrupted messages  
5317 from the host airline computer to the FMC and vice versa. No  
5318 intermediate systems may be allowed to modify the message text  
5319 portion of the transmission by character substitution or insertion (such  
5320 as line feeds, carriage returns, etc.).

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5322 **Section 2**  
5323 **ISO #5 Representation of Hexadecimal Characters for Binary Data Transmission**

5324 This document states that ISO #5 representation of hexadecimal characters should  
5325 be used for the interchange of binary information between ground-based and  
5326 airborne computers via ACARS. The following example illustrates the binary-to-ISO  
5327 character conversion process.

TRANSMISSION ORDER =>																							
LSB					MSB																		
1. BINARY DATA STREAM	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1							
2. 4 BIT BYTES STREAM	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1							
3. HEX CHARACTER VALUE	B				4				0				3										
4. ISO CHARACTER (COLUMN, ROW)	4,2				3,4				3,0				3,3										
5. ISO BIT VALUES (P = PAD BIT)	P	1	0	0	0	1	0	P	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	P	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
6. ISO BITS TRANSMITTED (PAD BITS set to 0)	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1		
7. CHARACTER TX ORDER	CHAR 4				CHAR 3				CHAR 2				CHAR 1										

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Binary representation of ISO #5 hexadecimal characters is illustrated in the table below.

				BIT 7 ----->	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
				BIT 6 ----->	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
				BIT 5 ----->	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
BIT 4	BIT 3	BIT 2	BIT 1	Col → Row ↓	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	00 NUL	10 DLE	20 SP	30 0	40 @	50 P	60 '	70 p
0	0	0	1	1	01 SOH	11 DC1	21 !	31 1	41 A	51 Q	61 a	71 q
0	0	1	0	2	02 STX	12 DC2	22 "	32 2	42 B	52 R	62 b	72 r
0	0	1	1	3	03 ETX	13 DC3	23 #	33 3	43 C	53 S	63 c	73 s
0	1	0	0	4	04 EOT	14 DC4	24 \$	34 4	44 D	54 T	64 d	74 t
0	1	0	1	5	05 ENQ	15 NAK	25 %	35 5	45 E	55 U	65 e	75 u
0	1	1	0	6	06 ACK	16 SYN	26 &	36 6	46 F	56 V	66 f	76 v
0	1	1	1	7	07 EL	17 ETB	27 '	37 7	47 G	57 W	67 g	77 w
1	0	0	0	8	08 BS	18 CAN	28 (	38 8	48 H	58 X	68 h	78 x
1	0	0	1	9	09 HT	19 EM	29 )	39 9	49 I	59 Y	69 i	79 y
1	0	1	0	10	0A LF	1A SUB	2A *	3A :	4A J	5A Z	6A j	7A z
1	0	1	1	11	0B VT	1B ESC	2B +	3B ;	4B K	5B [	6B k	7B {
1	1	0	0	12	0C FF	1C FS	2C ,	3C <	4C L	5C \	6C l	7C
1	1	0	1	13	0D CR	1D GS	2D /	3D =	4D M	5D ]	6D m	7D }
1	1	1	0	14	0E SO	1E RS	2E .	3E >	4E N	5E ^	6E n	7E ~
1	1	1	1	15	0F SI	1F US	2F /	3F ?	4F O	5F _	6F o	7F DEL

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5333 **Section 3**  
5334 **Character-Oriented CRC Calculation**  
5335 **Generation of the CRC Code**

5336 This CRC calculation method is based on the premise that a message may be  
5337 represented as the coefficients of a polynomial,  $G(x)$ , having  $k$  terms, where  $k$  is the  
5338 number of bits in the message.

**COMMENTARY**

5339 The notation used to describe the CRC is based on the property of  
5340 cyclic codes that a code vector such as 1000000100001 can be  
5341 represented by a polynomial  $G(x) = x^{12} + x^5 + 1$ . The elements of a  $k$   
5342 element code vector are thus the coefficients of a polynomial of order  
5343  $k - 1$ . In this application, these coefficients can have the value 0 or 1,  
5344 and all polynomial operations are performed modulo 2.  
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5346 To create the polynomial  $G(x)$  representing the message, the terms are ordered as  
5347 follows:

- 5348 • The coefficient of the most significant bit of  $G(x)$ ,  $(x^{k-1})$ , is the LSB of the first  
5349 character of the message.
- 5350 • The coefficient of the least significant bit of  $G(x)$ ,  $(x^0)$ , is the MSB of the last  
5351 character of the message.

5352 For example, if the message,  $G(x)$ , is 'FPR', the first character is 'F' which is  
5353 represented by the code 46 hex or 01000110 binary. The rightmost bit of 'F', 0 in  
5354 this example, is therefore the most significant bit of  $G(x)$ . Similarly, the last  
5355 character, 'R', is represented by the code 52 hex or 01010010 and the least  
5356 significant bit of  $G(x)$  is the leftmost bit of 'R', which is 0. The message FPR has 24  
5357 bits so  $k$  has a value of 24.

5358 The actual transmission order for the message is MSB to LSB as follows:

5359 Note slashes (/) are used for octet separation only.

Transmission Order ==>		
LSB		MSB
01010010	01010000	01000110
R	P	F

5360 In order to illustrate the mathematical procedure, the entire message is transposed  
5361 for representation as a bit stream with the MSB at the left and the LSB at the right to  
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Transmission Order ==>		
MSB		LSB
01100010	00001010	01001010

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5365 Expressing the bit stream for this example as a polynomial, G(x), yields:

$$G(x) = x^{22} + x^{21} + x^{17} + x^{11} + x^9 + x^6 + x^3 + x^1$$

5366 To generate the CRC code the generator polynomial is defined as:  
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$$P(x) = x^{16} + x^{12} + x^5 + 1$$

5368 The CRC code is the one's complement of the remainder obtained from the modulo  
5369 2 division of:

$$\frac{x^{16}G(x) + x^k(x^{15} + x^{14} + x^{13} + \dots + x^2 + x + 1)}{P(x)} = Q(x) + \frac{R(x)}{P(x)}$$

5370 where Q(x) is the quotient and R(x) is the remainder.

5371 Note: The addition of  $X^{16}G(x)$  and  $xk(x^{15} + x^{14} + x^{13} + \dots + x^2 + x + 1)$  is  
5372 modulo 2 and is equivalent to inverting the 16 most significant  
5373 bits of G(x) and appending a bit string of 16 zeroes to the  
5374 lower order end of G(x).

5375 If the 16-bit binary CRC code were appended to the original G(x) the resulting  
5376 message, M(x), would be of length n, where  $n = k + 16$ . This is equivalent to the  
5377 following operation:

$$M(x) = x^{16}G(x) + (16\text{-bit})CRC(\text{Modulo } 2).$$

5378 When the 16-bit binary CRC is transformed into four ISO #5 characters (8 bits  
5379 each), the final message to be transmitted,  $M^*(x)$  is now of length  $N^* = k + 32$ , and  
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$$M^*(x) = x^{32}G(x) + (32\text{-bit})CRC(\text{Modulo } 2).$$

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5383 Using the above example with 'FPR' as G(x), the CRC calculation gives a  
 5384 remainder of 00111111/11010010, where the left-hand 0 is the most significant bit  
 5385 and the right-hand 0 is the least significant bit (see Appendix 7 of ARINC  
 5386 Specification 429, Mathematical Example of CRC Encoding/Decoding, for a detailed  
 5387 example of the mathematical operations involved to arrive at this remainder).

5388 The CRC code is the one's complement of the remainder, or 11000000/00101100.  
 5389 This CRC code is converted to a four character (ISO #5) code and appended to the  
 5390 end of the message over which the CRC code was calculated by applying steps 1  
 5391 through 7 in Section 2 as follows:

- 5392 1. Because the message was transposed in this illustration to generate the  
 5393 CRC code, the resultant CRC code should also be transposed from left  
 5394 to right. Transposing 11000000/00101101 yields 10110100/00000011.  
 5395 This operation returns the CRC code to the same transmission order as  
 5396 the original message, with the MSB to the right and the LSB to the left.
- 5397 2-3. Separating the 16-bit transposed value into 4-bit segments and  
 5398 expressing it in hex yields B403.
- 5399 4-7. The four characters representing this value are coded as ISO #5  
 5400 characters and appended to the message in the order: MS to LS  
 5401 character. For this example, the order is 3, 0 4, B.

5402 The complete message plus CRC code for this example (read left to right) is:

5403 FPR304B

5404 The transmission order of this message is right to left, as:

5405 B403RPF ==>

5406 **Section 4**  
 5407 **Verification (Decoding) of the CRC Code**

5408 At the receiving system, the four characters representing the CRC code are  
 5409 converted back into the original binary CRC code; i.e., the steps in Section 2 are  
 5410 performed in reverse order. At this point, verification (decoding) of the CRC is  
 5411 accomplished by either of the following methods:

- 5412 1. After conversion back to the binary CRC code, the 16-bit binary CRC is  
 5413 appended to the message G(x) (in the same transmission order as the  
 5414 message) resulting in the message M(x), of length n, where n = k + 16 and

$$M(x) = x^{16} G(x) + (16\text{-bit})\text{CRC (Modulo 2)}.$$

5415 M(x) is multiplied by X<sup>16</sup>, added to the product x<sup>n</sup>(x<sup>15</sup> + x<sup>14</sup> + x<sup>13</sup> + ... + x<sup>2</sup> + x + 1), and  
 5416 divided by P(x) as follows (where n = k + 16):

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This CRC procedure is designed to create a constant remainder for error free messages. If the transmission of the serial incoming bits plus CRC code (i.e.,  $M(x)$ ) is error free, then the remainder,  $Rr(x)$  is always:

Transmission Order ==>	
MSB	LSB
00011101	00001111

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(coefficients of  $x^{15}$  through  $x^0$ , respectively).

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4.2. An alternate procedure for the receiving system, which will ensure the same data integrity, is to recompute the CRC code on the received message less the four CRC characters (using the same generator polynomial). The generated CRC code is then compared with the one received. The following steps are performed:

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- The received message,  $M^*(x)$ , is stripped of the four CRC characters, leaving only  $G(x)$ . The four characters representing the CRC code are converted back into the original binary 16-bit CRC code; that is, the steps in Section 2 are performed in reverse order.
- A binary CRC code is generated for  $G(x)$  using the same encoding method described for the message source.
- The generated binary CRC code is compared with the 16-bit binary CRC code stripped from the message and if they are identical, the message is assumed to be free of errors and exactly represents the message transmitted by the source.

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5438 **Part B**  
5439 **Table-Based Formats for FMC IMI/IEI Messages**

5440 **Section 1**  
5441 **Definition of Terms Used In Data Link Messages**

5442 All uplink and downlink messages are formatted using a consistent set of syntax  
5443 rules. The following definitions are used to describe parts of a message:

5444 **IMI (Imbedded Message Identifier)**

5445 The IMI is a three alphanumeric character identifier. An IMI is placed at the  
5446 beginning of the text to identify the relative message content. Only one IMI is used  
5447 per message. The same IMI can be used for both uplinks and downlinks.

5448 Examples of IMIs are: FPN, PER, LDI, POS, REJ, etc.

5449 **IEI (Imbedded Element Identifier)**

5450 The IEI is a two alpha character identifier that is used to group one or more  
5451 elements.

5452 Examples of IEIs are: FN, RP, RM, CG, RW, etc.

5453 **Element**

5454 An element is the smallest omissible part of an uplink or downlink message. It can  
5455 be a single parameter, or a number of parameters. A single parameter element is  
5456 defined as either fixed length or variable length with a defined maximum number of  
5457 characters. Directional elements are single parameter elements that must contain  
5458 either a single alpha character preceding one or more numeric characters, or one or  
5459 more numeric characters followed by an alpha character. The alpha character  
5460 indicates the direction (or qualifier) that is associated with the numeric value.  
5461 Directional elements can be fixed or variable length.

5462 A multi-parameter element is used to group similar or related information. Multi-  
5463 parameter elements can be fixed length, variable length or a combination of fixed  
5464 and variable length. However, only one field within a multi-parameter element can  
5465 be of variable length. There is no delimiter between single data elements within a  
5466 multi-parameter element.

5467 Example:

5468 OAT: P23 Single parameter element OAT is +23 °C.

5469 V1VRV2: 131139147 Multi-parameter element is composed of:

5470 V1 = 131 knots

5471 VR = 139 knots

5472 V2 = 147 knots

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**Parameter**

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A parameter is an element or part of an element that has the following attributes:

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1. Type - Variable or Fixed

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9-2. Element Type - Alpha (A - Z)

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10-3. Alphanumeric (A - Z, 0 - 9, dash)

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11-4. Numeric (0 - 9)

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12-5. Character Length - Number of Characters

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13-6. Scaling Factor - Identifies the multiplication factor

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14-7. Units - Identifies The Parameter Units

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**List**

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A list is a repeatable group of elements within a data link message. Each list contains one or more elements.

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**Message Format Example**

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The following is an example of a Predicted Wind Information uplink message (the IMI for this message is PWI, the IEI is DD for Descent Wind Data and the IEI DS is for Descent Wind Temperature).

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Example:

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PWI/DD350270060.310270045.140260040/DS320M50.250M30.100M10.010P10:0

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Altitude/Wind List (up to ten allowed):	
Altitude	Wind
FL350	270/060 kts
FL310	270/045 kts
14000	260/040 kts

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Altitude/Temperature List (up to ten allowed):	
Altitude	Temperature
FL320	- 50 °C
FL250	- 30 °C
FL100	- 10 °C
1000ft	+10 °C

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Remaining Elements:	
TAI On Altitude	6000 ft
TAI On/Off Altitude	(Missing Data)
Des Transition Altitude	(Missing Data)
Descent ISA Deviation	-4 °C
QNH	1013 Hectopascals

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**Flight Plan Definition**

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Each independent part of a flight plan is called a Flight Plan Element (FPE). Each FPE is preceded by a Flight Plan Element Identifier (FPEI) which identifies the

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5498 group of data that follows. These FPEs are used in combination to fully define the  
5499 FMC flight plan in both the uplinks and downlinks. The flight plan definition is used  
5500 to create a flight plan (either active or inactive) or modify an existing flight plan.

5501 **FPEI (Flight Plan Element Identifier)**

5502 FPEIs are used to identify special elements, which are used in the (Flight Plan)  
5503 Route IEIs of RP, RI, RM, and RA. Examples of Flight Plan Element Identifiers are  
5504 :H:, :V:, “.”, “..”, “DA”, etc.

5505 **FPE (Flight Plan Element)**

5506 A Flight Plan Element (FPE) is a special type of variable or fixed length element (or  
5507 group of elements) used in RP, RI, RM, or RA IEIs.

5508 Examples of FPEs (and their corresponding FPEIs) are shown below:

FPE	FPEI	Example
Departure Airport	:DA:	KJFK
Arrival Airport	:AA:	KLAX
Company Route	:CR:	JFKLAX07
Waypoint Spd/Alt/Time	:V:	N47W125,250,AT1250
Direct to Waypoint	..	BLAKO
Departure Runway	:R:	04O
Airway VIA	.	J36
Arrival Procedure	:A:	DOWNE
Arrival Transition	.	HECTR
Arrival Runway	(XXX)	(04O)

5509 The last four items in the table illustrate the dual role of the special character “.”  
5510 which is context dependent. It can be used as a “VIA” indicator for an airway, or as  
5511 a transition indicator if it is preceded by an “:A:” (or an “:AP:” or a :D:), as in  
5512 DOWNE.HECTR(04O).

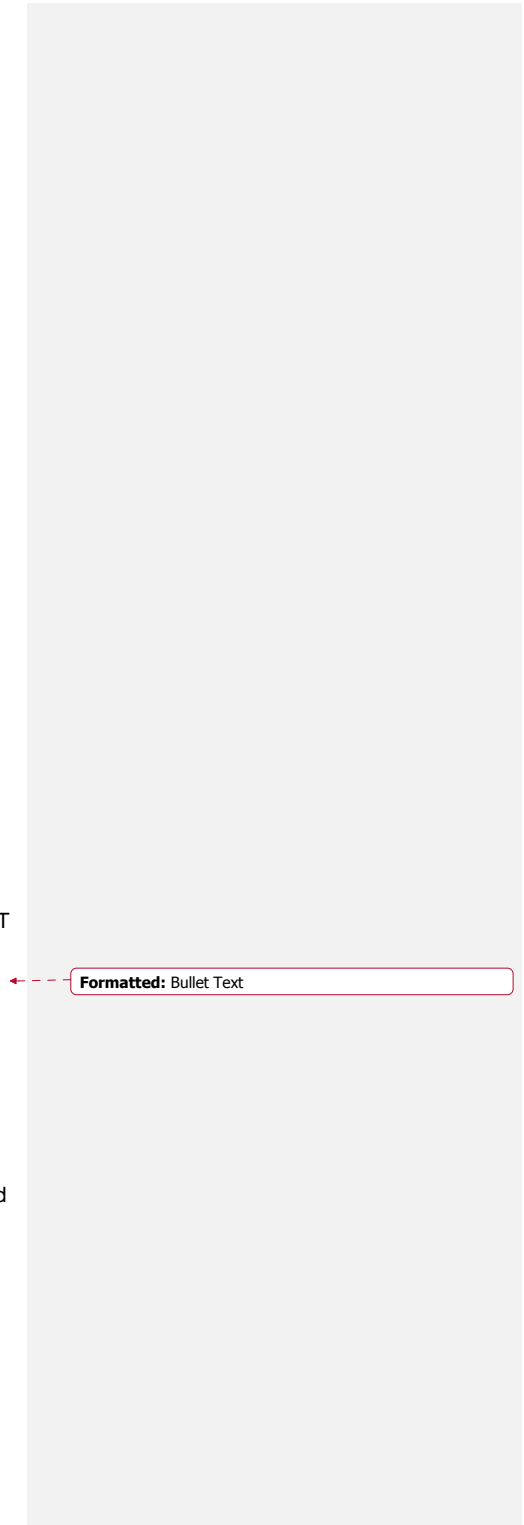
5513 Example: F P N / R M . N I A . J 4 8 . B E N N Y , N 3 3 2 4 0 W 1 1 6 2 5 0 : A T  
5514 : N I A - M0400,280,AT1400:A:BENE3.NIA:AP:ILS32R.EDD

- 5515 • IMI (FPN) followed by
- 5516 • IEI (RM) followed by
- 5517 • Direct to waypoint NIA
- 5518 • Followed by a via airway J48
- 5519 • To waypoint BENNY with optional lat/lon definition
- 5520 • Then an along track offset definition of NIA -40.0 with an associated speed  
5521 restriction of 280 at 14,000 feet
- 5522 • Followed by a standard arrival BENE3 with a NIA transition and the standard  
5523 approach of ILS32R with an EDD transition.

5524 **Uplink and Downlink Delimiters**

5525 When constructing an uplink or a downlink message, delimiters are used to  
5526 consistently identify the information in the message. The delimiters supersede each  
5527 other in the order given (i.e., ‘/’ has the highest priority).

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5529	<b>IEI Delimiter '/' solidus, Character 2/15</b>
5530 5531 5532	This character precedes each Imbedded Element Identifier which identifies the beginning of predefined group of elements. This delimiter is always followed by two alpha characters.
5533	<b>List Terminator ':' colon, Character 3/10</b>
5534 5535	The colon is an end of list control character. This character is used to terminate a repetitive list structure.
5536	<b>List Entry Terminator '.' period, Character 3/11</b>
5537 5538 5539	The period is a list entry terminator. This character is used to terminate each list entry (group of elements). List entries are groups of parameters or elements that are repeated one or more times.
5540	<b>Element Terminator ',' comma, Character 2/12</b>
5541 5542 5543	Commas are used to separate elements (unless they have been separated by or terminated with another control character; i.e., '/', ':', '.' or another FPEI in the case of RI, RM, RP, or RAs). Missing elements are denoted by consecutive commas.
5544	<b>Request Messages</b>
5545 5546 5547 5548 5549	To allow the receiving system to recognize the difference between a message that is transmitting data and a message that is requesting data, a special IMI has been reserved for requests. This IMI ('REQ' is the default) precedes any request message. The data that follows this IMI depends on whether the message is an uplink or a downlink.
5550	<b>Uplink Request A Downlink</b>
5551 5552 5553 5554 5555	The request IMI is followed by an element which contains the IMI of the "reply." This is optionally followed by a comma (element terminator), which is optionally followed by a list of elements that define the IEs to be included in the downlink (all separated by a list entry terminator). An IMI, or IEs following the REQ are considered elements in the uplink.
5556	Example: REQPRG,DT.FN
5557 5558	This example is a request from the ground for the current destination and current flight number which results in a downlink of:
5559	PRG/DTKSEA/FNSFOSEA001
5560	<b>Downlink Requesting An Uplink</b>
5561	In a downlink request, the request IMI is followed by the requested information.
5562	Example: REQFPN/COKSEAKSFO02
5563 5564	This example is a request from the FMC for a flight plan, the request includes the entered company route as a data element.
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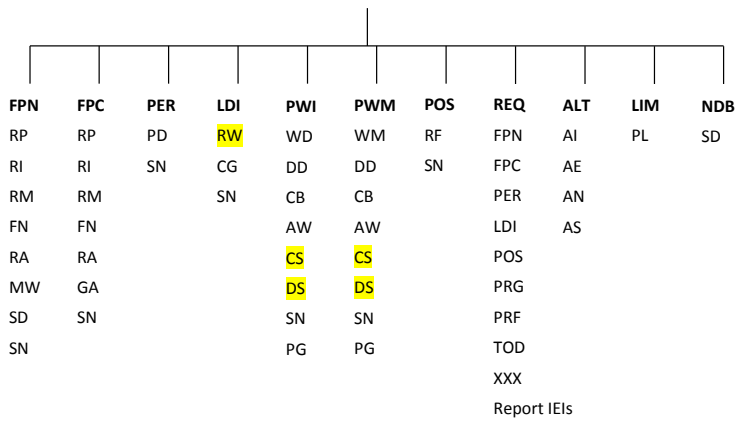
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5566 **Section 2**  
5567 **IMI/IEI Relationships**

5568 This section identifies the IEIs normally associated with IMIs that have been  
5569 defined. This section will be updated as the need for new IMIs and IEIs is identified.  
5570 Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff when such a need arises. The basic  
5571 IEIs are listed in bold text, the dependent IEIs are listed in italics and the extended  
5572 IEIs are listed as normal text.

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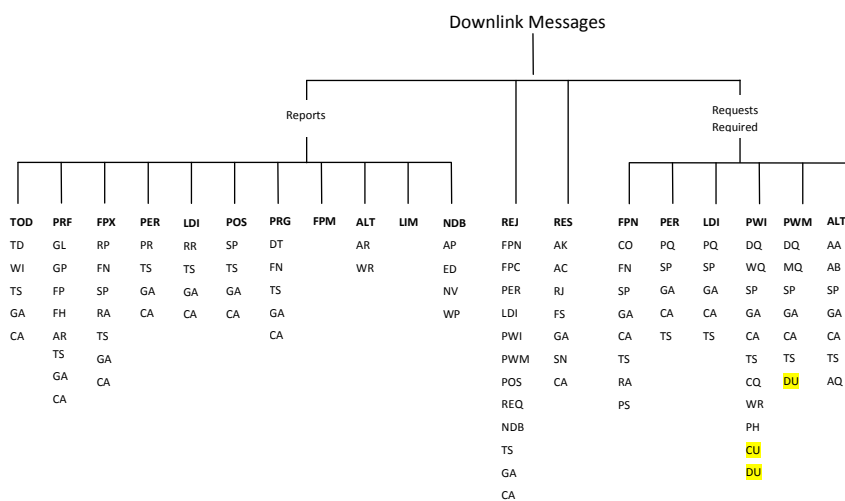
Uplink Messages										
FPN	FPC	PER	LDI	PWI	PWM	POS	REQ	ALT	LIM	NDB
RP	RP	PD	<b>RW</b>	WD	WM	RF	FPN	AI	PL	SD
RI	RI	SN	CG	DD	DD	SN	FPC	AE		
RM	RM		SN	CB	CB		PER	AN		
FN	FN			AW	AW		LDI	AS		
RA	RA			<b>CS</b>	<b>CS</b>		POS			
MW	GA			<b>DS</b>	<b>DS</b>		PRG			
SD	SN			SN	SN		PRF			
SN				PG	PG		TOD			
							XXX			
							Report IEIs			

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Note: that XXX in 'XXX Report IEIs' may be an unrecognizable IMI that is followed by recognizable IEIs. On some systems, XXX may not support all IEI's. The minimum set of IEI's supported is the following: RP, FN, PR, DT, CA, GA.

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TOD	PRF	FPX	PER	LDI	POS	PRG	FPM	ALT	LIM	NDB	REJ	RES	FPN	PER	LDI	PWI	PWM	ALT	EFB	
TD	GL	RP	PR	RR	SP	DT		AR		AP	FPN	AK	CO	PQ	PQ	DQ	DQ	AA	FR	
WI	GP	FN	TS	TS	TS	FN		WR		ED	FPC	AC	FN	SP	SP	WQ	MQ	AB	PP	
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GA	FH	RA	CA	CA	CA	GA				WP	LDI	FS	GA	CA	CA	GA	GA	GA		
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Note that FPX represents FPN and FPC.

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**Section 3  
Uplink IMI Definitions**

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This section lists the currently defined uplink IMIs and provides a brief description of the associated message content. This section will be updated as the need for new IMIs is identified. Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff when such a need arises.

IMI	DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION
ALT	ALTERNATE DATA	Contains alternate airport information generated by the airline.
FPC	FLIGHT PLAN	Flight plan information supplied by ATC.
FPN	FLIGHT PLAN	Flight plan information generated by the airline.
LDI	LOAD INFORMATION	Contains load information for takeoff generated by the airline.
LIM	PERFORMANCE LIMITS DATA	Contains performance limits data that is provided by the airline.
NDB	AIRLINE DATABASE	Contains supplemental Navigation Data Base, Effectivity Date, Supplemental Navigation Airport, Navaid, and Waypoint definitions generated by the airline.
PER	PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION	Contains performance initialization data generated by the airline.
POS	POSITION	Contains specified triggers for automatic position report information generated by the airline.
PWI	PREDICTED WIND DATA	Contains climb, alternate, enroute, descent wind and/or temperature information that is to be applied to the flight plan. Generated by the airline.
PWM	PREDICTED WIND MODIFICATION	Contains alternate, enroute, descent wind and/or temperature information that is to be applied to the modified active flight plan. Descent winds and temperatures data may be applied regardless of the route status. Generated by the airline ground station.
REQ	REQUEST	Contains a type of request (FPN/FPC, PER, LDI, POS, PRG, PRF, TOD, XXX) for information generated by the airline.
TAC	RESERVED	
TAR	RESERVED	

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5590 **Section 4**  
5591 **Downlink IMI Definitions**

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5593 of the associated message content. This section will be updated as the need for  
5594 new IMIs is identified. Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff when such a  
5595 need arises.

IMI	DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION
ALT	ALTERNATE DATA	Provides the airline with alternate airport information.
FPC	FLIGHT PLAN	Provides flight plan report to ATC.
FPM	FLIGHT PLAN	Provides flight plan modification information to the airline.
FPN	FLIGHT PLAN	Provides flight plan information to the airline.
LDI	LOAD INFORMATION	Provides the airline with a load information data report for a single runway.
LIM	PERFORMANCE LIMITS DATA	Provides the airline with the current FMC performance limits.
NDB	AIRLINE DATA BASE	Provides the contents of the supplemental data base to the airline.
PER	PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION	Provides performance initialization data report to the airline.
POS	POSITION	Provides the airline with current position report information.
PRF	PREFLIGHT	Provides preflight report to the airline.
PRG	PROGRESS (ETA) REPORT	Provides the airline with progress report data in response to a trigger.
PWI	PREDICTED WIND DATA	Provides the airline with climb, enroute, descent wind and/or temperature information that is to be applied to the flight plan.
PWM	PREDICTED WIND MODIFICATION	Provides the airline with enroute, descent wind and/or temperature information that is to be applied to the modified active flight plan. Descent wind data may be applied regardless of the route status.
REJ	DOWNLINK REJECTION	Provides ATC or the airline with information referencing a rejected uplink message.
REQ	REQUEST	Requests (FPN/FPC, PER, LDI, PWI/PWM) information from the airline or ATC.
RES	DOWNLINK RESPONSE	Provides a response to an uplink message.
TAC	RESERVED	
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TOD	TOP OF DESCENT	Provides top of descent data to the airline.

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5598 **Section 5**  
5599 **Uplink IEIs**

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5600 This section lists the currently defined uplink IEIs. This section will be updated as  
5601 the need for new IEIs is identified. Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff  
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IEI	DESCRIPTION
AE	COMPANY PREFERRED ALTERNATES DATA
AI	ALTERNATE INFORMATION DATA
AN	ALTERNATES INHIBIT DATA
AW	ALTERNATE WIND DATA
AS	ALTERNATES FLIGHT LIST DATA
CA	COMPANY DISTRIBUTION
CB	CLIMB WIND DATA
CG	TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY
CS	CLIMB TEMPERATURE DATA
DD	DESCENT FORECASTS
DS	DESCENT TEMPERATURE DATA
FN	FLIGHT NUMBERS
GA	GROUND ADDRESS
MW	MEAN WIND DATA
PD	PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION DATA
PG	PAGE INFO
PL	PERFORMANCE LIMITS
RA	ALTERNATE ACTIVE/INACTIVE ROUTE
RF	POSITION REPORT FIX
RI	INACTIVE ROUTE
RM	ROUTE MODIFICATION
RP	ACTIVE ROUTE
RT	REQUIRED TIME OF ARRIVAL
RW	RUNWAY DATA
SD	SUPPLEMENTAL NAVIGATION DATABASE
SN	MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER
TH	WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE DATA
TM	MOD WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE DATA
TS	TIME STAMP
WD	ENROUTE WIND DATA
WE	WIND VECTOR MAGNITUDE DIFFERENCE
WL	WAYPOINT LIST
WM	ENROUTE WIND MODIFICATION

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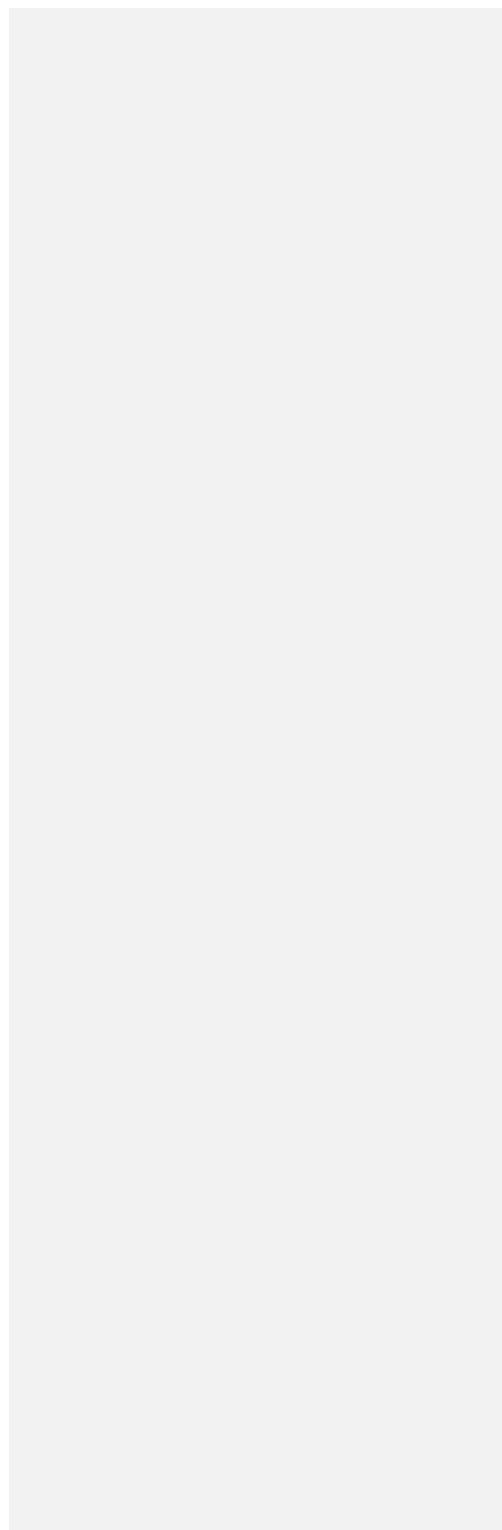
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5608 the need for new IEIs is identified. Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff  
5609 when such a need arises.

IEI	DESCRIPTION
AA	COMPANY PREFERRED ALTERNATES REQUEST
AB	ALTERNATES FLIGHT LIST REQUEST
AC	ACCEPT
AK	ACKNOWLEDGE
AP	SUPPLEMENTAL NAV DATA BASE AIRPORTS
AQ	WEATHER REQUEST
AR	ALTERNATE INFORMATION REPORT
CA	COMPANY DISTRIBUTION
CO	COMPANY ROUTE REQUEST
CQ	CLIMB FORECAST REQUEST
CU	CLIMB TEMPERATURE REQUEST
DI	DOWNLINK TIME INFORMATION
DQ	DESCENT FORECAST REQUEST
DT	DESTINATION REPORT
DU	DESCENT TEMPERATURE REQUEST
ED	SUPPLEMENTAL EFFECTIVITY DATE
FH	FLIGHT PLAN HISTORY
FN	FLIGHT NUMBER
FP	FUEL PLANNING
FR	<u>FORECAST REPORT</u>
GA	GROUND ADDRESS
GL	GENERAL DATA
GP	GENERAL DIRECTIONS
MQ	MOD WIND REQUEST
NV	SUPPLEMENTAL NAV DATA BASE NAVAIDS
PH	FLIGHT PHASE
PL	PERFORMANCE LIMITS
PP	<u>PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS REPORT</u>
PQ	PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION REQUEST
PR	PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION REPORT
PS	POSITION REPORT
RA	ALTERNATE ACTIVE/INACTIVE ROUTE
RJ	REJECT
RP	ACTIVE ROUTE
RQ	RUNWAY DATA REQUEST
RR	RUNWAY DATA REPORT
SN	MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER
SP	SCRATCHPAD
TD	TOP OF DESCENT REPORT
TS	TIME STAMP
WI	WAYPOINT INFORMATION
WQ	WIND REQUEST
WP	SUPPLEMENTAL NAV DATA BASE WAYPOINTS

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WR	ALTERNATE AIRPORT WEATHER REQUEST
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5611 **Section 7**  
5612 **IEI and Associated Elements**

5613 This section provides a guideline for relating elements to IEIs and defines the  
5614 default text for all IEIs. This section is separated into basic IEIs (also dependent  
5615 IEIs) and their associated elements, extended IEIs and their associated elements,  
5616 and IMIs and their associated elements. The default IEI content and structure is  
5617 indicated by 'IEI CONTENT'. The content and order of list entries are indicated by  
5618 'LIST ENTRY'. Examples are provided to clarify the default text.

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AC	<u>ACCEPT</u> EXAMPLE: /AC12345,451 IEI CONTENT MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER STIMULUS CODE	Consists of a variable length field defining the message sequence number and stimulus code.
AK	<u>ACKNOWLEDGE</u> EXAMPLE: /AK12345,451 IEI CONTENT MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER STIMULUS CODE	Consists of a variable length field defining the message sequence number and stimulus code.
CA	<u>COMPANY DISTRIBUTION</u> EXAMPLE: /CAFLT0PS IEI CONTENT COMPANY DISTRIBUTION	Consists of an airline internal distribution identifier.
CG	<u>TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY</u> EXAMPLE: /CG200 IEI CONTENT TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY	Consists of a variable length field.
CO	<u>COMPANY ROUTE REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /COKBFIKSFO01 IEI CONTENT COMPANY ROUTE	Consists of a variable length field.
DD	<u>DESCENT FORECAST</u> EXAMPLE: /DD350270060.310270045.140260040.100230020.06030. 180.M04.1013 IEI CONTENT LIST ENTRY: ALTITUDE AND WIND TAI ON ALTITUDE TAI ON/OFF ALTITUDE DESCENT TRANSITION ALTITUDE DESCENT ISA DEVIATION QNH	Consists of a list of up to ten altitude wind entries, followed by the additional descent forecast elements.
DQ	<u>DESCENT FORECAST REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /DQ390 IEI CONTENT TOP OF DESCENT ALTITUDE	Consists of a single parameter element defining the top of descent altitude.
DS	<u>DESCENT TEMPERATURE</u> EXAMPLE: /DS320M50.250M30.010P10 IEI CONTENT	Consists of a list of up to ten altitude temperature entries

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LIST ENTRY: ALTITUDE AND OAT

DU	<u>DESCENT TEMPERATURE REQUEST</u>  EXAMPLE: /DU370 IEI CONTENT TOP OF DESCENT ALTITUDE	Consists of a single parameter element defining the top of Descent Altitude.
DT	<u>DESTINATION REPORT</u> EXAMPLE: /DTKSFO,28L,0234,190023,003 IEI CONTENT ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT DESTINATION RUNWAY IDENT PREDICTED FUEL REMAINING ETA AT DESTINATION REPORT STIMULUS	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.
FN	<u>FLIGHT NUMBER</u> EXAMPLE: /FNUAL1633A IEI CONTENT FLIGHT NUMBER	Consists of a variable length field.
GA	<u>GROUND ADDRESS</u>  EXAMPLE: /GATULDDAA.HEQXESA IEI CONTENT LIST ENTRY: GROUND ADDRESS	Consists of a list of addresses. A copy of the network address not directly used for message routing purposes.
PD	<u>PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION DAT.</u> EXAMPLE: /PDQ2113,,270,,0150,23,,,,P12,M34 IEI CONTENT ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY CRUISE ALTITUDE PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL RESERVE FUEL COST INDEX CRUISE WIND TOC OR CRUISE TEMPERATURE CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE FUEL FLOW FACTOR DRAG FACTOR PERF FACTOR IDLE FACTOR TROPopause ALTITUDE TAXI FUEL ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CENTER OF GRAVITY MINIMUM FUEL TEMPERATURE	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field
PQ	<u>PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /PDQ2113,,270,,0150,23,,,,P12,M34 IEI CONTENT ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY CRUISE ALTITUDE PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL RESERVE FUEL COST INDEX	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.

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CRUISE WIND  
TOC OR CRUISE TEMPERATURE  
CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE  
FUEL FLOW FACTOR  
DRAG FACTOR  
PERF FACTOR  
IDLE FACTOR  
TROPopause ALTITUDE  
TAXI FUEL  
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CENTER OF GRAVITY  
MINIMUM FUEL TEMPERATURE

PR PERFORMANCE INITIALIZATION Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.

REPORT

EXAMPLE: /PR2633,,270,0520,,0150,23,,,,P12,M34

IEI CONTENT

CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT  
CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY  
CRUISE ALTITUDE  
FUEL REMAINING  
PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL  
RESERVE FUEL  
COST INDEX  
CRUISE WIND  
TOC OR CRUISE TEMPERATURE  
CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE  
FUEL FLOW FACTOR  
DRAG FACTOR  
PERF FACTOR  
IDLE FACTOR  
TROPopause ALTITUDE  
TAXI FUEL  
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT  
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CENTER OF GRAVITY  
MINIMUM FUEL TEMPERATURE

RF POSITION REPORT FIX Consists of a list of reporting points which when sequenced in flight, trigger the position report.

EXAMPLE: /RFORTIN.SEA.N3545W090256

IEI CONTENT

LIST ENTRY: WAYPOINT SEQUENCE

RI INACTIVE ROUTE A variable length field that consists of flight plan elements that replace the inactive route. These flight plan elements define a flight plan in approximately the same fashion as ATC clearance language.

:DA: \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT  
:AA: -ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT  
:CR: \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY ROUTE  
:R: DEPARTURE RUNWAY IDENT  
:D: DEPARTURE PROCEDURE  
:F: FLIGHT PLAN SEGMENT  
PUBLISHED IDENT  
LATITUDE/LONGITUDE  
PLACE BEARING/PLACE BEARING  
PLACE BEARING DISTANCE

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:ON: -START OF DESIGNATED FLIGHT PLAN SEGMENT  
 :A: ARRIVAL PROCEDURE  
 :AP: APPROACH PROCEDURE  
 (): ARRIVAL RUNWAY IDENT  
 :V: WAYPOINT SPEED/ALTITUDE/TIME  
 :H: HOLD AT WAYPOINT  
 :WS: WAYPOINT STEP CLIMB  
 :AT: ALONG TRACK WAYPOINT  
 :RP: REPORTING POINTS  
 .. DIRECT FIX  
 . TRANSITION OR AIRWAY VIA  
 :F.: AIRWAY INTERCEPT  
 :IC: INTERCEPT COURSE FROM

RJ	<u>REJECT</u>	Consists of a variable length field defining the message sequence number and the stimulus code.  EXAMPLE: /RJ12345,451 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER STIMULUS CODE
RP	<u>ACTIVE/INACTIVE ROUTE</u>	A variable length field that consists of flight plan elements. These flight plan elements define a flight plan in approximately the same fashion as ATC clearance language.  THE FORMAT IS THE SAME AS DESCRIBED FOR THE RI IEI DESCRIPTION.
RQ	<u>RUNWAY DATA REQUEST</u>	Consists of a fixed-list format, fixed order field consisting of data for up to two runway/intersection combinations.  EXAMPLE: /RQSEA,31L,A9,,,156,2613,,P15,140012,1,15,2,,P40 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT  TAKEOFF RUNWAY IDENT RUNWAY INTERSECTION POSITION SHIFT RUNWAY LENGTH REMAINING TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT REFERENCE TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT OAT OR SAT TAKEOFF RUNWAY WIND TAKEOFF RUNWAY CONDITION TAKEOFF FLAPS TAKEOFF THRUST RATING VTR PERCENTAGE SELECTED TEMPERATURE BARO SETTING FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE ACCELERATION ALTITUDE ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION ALTITUDE
RT	<u>REQUIRED TIME OF ARRIVAL</u>	<u>Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field</u>  EXAMPLE: /RTVAMPS,143000 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> <u>RTA WAYPOINT IDENT</u> <u>RTA TIME</u>

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OPTIONAL RTA CONSTRAINT

RW	<u>RUNWAY DATA</u>	Consists of a fixed-list entry format field consisting of data for up to six runway/intersection combinations followed by a departure airport
	EXAMPLE: /RW13R,A9,PO9,,0,1125,2613,2850,P23,U05,250015,1,15,1,08,P38,131139147,0,15,1135,,130137145.31L,ETC:KBFI	
	<u>IEI CONTENT</u>	
	LIST ENTRY:	
	TAKEOFF RUNWAY IDENT RUNWAY INTERSECTION POSITION SHIFT RUNWAY LENGTH REMAINING INVALID FLAG TRIM REFERENCE TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT STANDARD LIMIT TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT OAT OR SAT TAKEOFF RUNWAY SLOPE TAKEOFF RUNWAY WIND TAKEOFF RUNWAY CONDITION TAKEOFF FLAPS TAKEOFF THRUST RATING VTR PERCENTAGE ASSUMED TEMPERATURE TAKEOFF SPEEDS ALTERNATE THRUST RATING ALTERNATE FLAPS ALTERNATE TRIM ALTERNATE LIMIT TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT ALTERNATE TAKEOFF SPEEDS ALTERNATE ASSUMED TEMPERATURE FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION ALTERNATE FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION ALTERNATE VTR PERCENTAGE	
	<u>DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT</u> BARO SETTING THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE ACCELERATION ALTITUDE ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION ALTITUDE NOISE ABATEMENT END ALTITUDE NOISE ABATEMENT SPEED NOISE ABATEMENT DERATE THRUST NOISE ABATEMENT THRUST NOISE ABATEMENT START ALTITUDE	
SN	<u>MESSAGE SEQUENCE</u>	Consists of a variable length format field defining the message sequence number.
	EXAMPLE: /SN12345	
	<u>IEI CONTENT</u>	
	MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER	
SP	<u>SCRATCHPAD</u>	Consists of a variable length field that contains the contents of the CDU scratch pad.
	EXAMPLE: /SPSCRATCHPADMESSAGE	
	<u>IEI CONTENT</u>	

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<u>SCRATCHPAD</u>	
TS	<p><u>TIME STAMP</u> Consists of a fixed length field.                      EXAMPLE: /TS152533,200290  <u>IEI CONTENT</u>                      GREENWICH MEAN TIME                      DATE</p>
WD	<p><u>ENROUTE WIND DATA</u> Consists of an altitude and a variable length list of entries that include the waypoint, the waypoint winds that apply to that altitude and the waypoint temperature.                      EXAMPLE: /WD310,SEA,120015,350M35, N04030W120,130090  <u>IEI CONTENT</u>                      WIND ALTITUDE                      LIST ENTRY:                          WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION                          WAYPOINT WIND                          WAYPOINT ALTITUDE/OAT</p>
WQ	<p><u>WIND REQUEST</u> Consists of a list of elements defining altitudes for which winds are requested, followed by a list of elements defining waypoints in the route for which the request is being made.                      EXAMPLE: /WQ350.370.390.410:SEA.N4030W110.ORD.ETC  <u>IEI CONTENT</u>                      LIST ENTRY: WIND LEVEL ALTITUDE                      LIST ENTRY: WIND LEVEL WAYPOINT</p>
POS	<p><u>POSITION REPORT</u> Consists of elements used to define a position report.                      EXAMPLE: POSN47261W122185,SEA,093118,350,ORTIN,093436,BARRO,M32,120015,0485,784                      CURRENT POSITION                      (CROSSED) WAYPOINT IDENT                      GREENWICH MEAN TIME                      CURRENT ALTITUDE                      GOTO (NEXT) WAYPOINT IDENT                      ETA AT GOTO WAYPOINT                      GOTO+1 (FOLLOWING) WAYPOINT IDENT                      STATIC AIR TEMPERATURE (SAT)                      ACTUAL WIND                      FUEL REMAINING                      TARGET MACH</p>
REJ	<p><u>REJECT</u> Consists of the uplinked IMI, time uplink is received and a list of error codes.                      REJPWI,HMMSS,103,,006,CB/.108,,CB,/CB.109,,001,NOVALIDIEI/TShmmss,mmdyy                      UPLINKED IMI                      TIME UPLINK RECEIVED                      LIST ENTRY:                          ERROR TYPE CODE                          ERROR DATA CODE                          LITERAL ERROR DATA                          EXTENDED REJECTION DATA</p>
RES	<p><u>RESPONSE</u> Consists of the uplinked IMI, time uplink is received and a list of error codes.                      EXAMPLE: RESFPN/AC.073</p>
AA	<p><u>COMPANY PREFERRED ALTERNATES REQUEST</u>                      EXAMPLE: /AAN47261W122185,BOE123,KSEA,KSFO,SEASFO                      CURRENT POSITION                      FLIGHT NUMBER</p>



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DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT  
ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT  
COMPANY ROUTE

AB	<u>ALTERNATES FLIGHT LIST REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /ABN47261W122185,BOE123,KSEA,KSFO, SEASFO CURRENT POSITION FLIGHT NUMBER DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT COMPANY ROUTE	
AE	<u>COMPANY PREFERRED ALTERNATES DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /aeksea,1,09020,350P10,HUMPP,KM.WH,2,080100,300M5,ELN:300,1290 LIST ENTRY COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN IDENT COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN PRIORITY COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN WIND COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN ALTITUDE/OAT COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN ALTITUDE COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN SPEED COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN OFFSET	
AI	<u>ALTERNATE INFORMATION DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /AIKSFO,D,1423,230,120045,M15.KLAX,M,1700,310,325020,P34 <u>IEL CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: ALTERNATE IDENT ALTERNATE TYPE DISTANCE TO ALTERNATE ALTITUDE TO ALTERNATE ESTIMATED WIND TO ALTERNATE TEMPERATURE AT ALTERNATE	Consists of a variable length list of entries consisting of alternate information
AN	<u>ALTERNATES INHIBIT DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /ANKPAE.KSEA LIST ENTRY: ALTN INHIBIT	
AP	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL NDB AIRPORTS</u> EXAMPLE: /APKABC,N39152W121185,01740,E10.K DEF,N37440W119118,00900,W12 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: AIRPORT IDENT AIRPORT LAT/LON AIRPORT ELEVATION AIRPORT MAGVAR	Consists of a list of airports to be included in the supplemental navigation data base
AQ	<u>WEATHER REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /AQKSFO.KLAX.KONT:KPHX LIST ENTRY: COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN IDENT ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT	
AR	<u>ALTERNATE INFORMATION REPORT</u> EXAMPLE: /ARKSFO,D,132456,0120,0123,310,310050.KLAX,D,142523,0109,0206,325,340100 <u>IEI CONTENT</u>	Consists of a variable length list consisting of alternate destination data.

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## LIST ENTRY

ALTERNATE IDENT  
ALTERNATE TYPE  
ETA AT ALTERNATE DESTINATION  
FUEL REMAINING AT ALTERNATE  
DISTANCE TOALTERNATE  
ALTITUDE TO ALTERNATE  
CRUISE WIND TO ALTERNATE

AS	<u>ALTERNATES FLIGHT LIST DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /ASKDEN,18030,350M5.KLAX,02040,350P10 LIST ENTRY: ALTN FLIGHT LIST IDENT ALTN FLIGHT LIST WIND ALTN FLIGHT LIST ALTITUDE/OAT	
AW	<u>ALTERNATE WIND DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /AW220035040 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> ALTITUDE AND WIND	Consists of a multi-parameter element defining the altitude and wind.
CB	<u>CLIMB WIND DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /CB350270060.310270045.140260040.100230020 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: ALTITUDE AND WIND	Consists of a list of up to ten altitude wind entries.
CQ	<u>CLIMB FORECAST REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /CQ370 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> CRUISE ALTITUDE	Consists of a single parameter element defining the top of climb altitude.
CS	<u>CLIMB TEMPERATURE DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /CS120P05.250M30.300M40 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: ALTITUDE AND OAT	Consists of a list of up to ten altitude temperature entries.
CU	<u>CLIMB TEMPERATURE REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /CS370 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> CRUISE ALTITUDE	Consists of a single parameter element defining the top of climb altitude.
DI	<u>DOWNLINK TIME INFORMATION</u> EXAMPLE: /D1051632.-51635.051636 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> TRIGGER TRIPPED TIME DOWNLINK GENERATION TIME GREENWICH MEAN TIME	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field containing time information.
ED	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL EFFECTIVITY DATE</u> EXAMPLE: /EDJAN0191/ <u>IEI CONTENT</u> EFFECTIVITY DATE/	Consists of a fixed length field defining the effectivity date of the supplemental navigation data base.
FH	<u>FLIGHT PLAN HISTORY</u> EXAMPLE: /FHLACRE,132034,240K,0700,0197,P23,132016,235,Y,150,012,ILS32R,1100,etc <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY:	Consists of a variable length list of parameters that are linked to the different waypoints of the flight plan.

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ETA AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 PREDICTED WAYPOINT IDENT  
 PREDICTED AIRSPEED  
 ALTITUDE TO PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 FUEL REMAINING AT PREDICTED  
 WAYPOINT  
 OAT AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 WIND AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 TAS AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 PROCEDURE INDICATOR  
 COURSE INTO PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 DISTANCE TO PREDICTED WAYPOINT  
 PROCEDURE IDENTIFIER  
 CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT

FP	<b>FUEL PLANNING</b> EXAMPLE: /FP1605,1100,12,220,08,140,110,P26,360 <b>IEI CONTENT</b> TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT LANDING GROSS WEIGHT TAXI FUEL TRIP FUEL RESERVE FUEL ALTERNATE FUEL FINAL FUEL EXTRA FUEL PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.
FR	<b>FORECAST REPORT</b> EXAMPLE: /FR020120015.100125020.300130040:020P15.250M30:SEA,280130035.300M40,SEA,320130045. ORD,280140035.300M45,ORD,320140050:040120015.120125020.300130040:020P15.250M30 <b>IEI CONTENT</b> <u>LIST ENTRY: (CLIMB) ALTITUDE AND WIND</u> <u>LIST ENTRY: (CLIMB) ALTITUDE AND OAT</u> <u>LIST ENTRY:</u> <u>WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION</u> <u>WAYPOINT ALTITUDE AND WIND</u> <u>WAYPOINT ALTITUDE AND OAT</u> <u>LIST ENTRY: (DESCENT) ALTITUDE AND WIND</u> <u>LIST ENTRY: (DESCENT) ALTITUDE AND OAT</u>	Consists of multiple variable length lists of elements defining wind and temperature forecasts for climb, cruise, and descent.
GL	<b>GENERAL DATA</b> EXAMPLE: /GL290690,757-200,,BE49005001,NWA105,BFMWH01,KBFI,KMWH,10,1750, PW2040,KPDX,BFIMW002.230.255 <b>IEI CONTENT</b> DATE AIRCRAFT TYPE ENGINE THRUST NAVIGATION DATA BASE IDENT FLIGHT NUMBER COMPANY ROUTE DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT COST INDEX ZERO FUEL WEIGHT ENGINE TYPE	Consists of a fixed order field.

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ALTERNATE DESTINATION  
ALTERNATE COMPANY ROUTE  
CRUISE ALTITUDE  
CENTER OF GRAVITY

GP	<p><u>GENERAL PREDICTIONS</u> EXAMPLE: /GPKBFI,140000,0201,0280,230,2700,2180,,,,,,255,KSEA,0140,14033,206,230 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT ETA AT DESTINATION DISTANCE TO DESTINATION PREDICTED DESTINATION FUEL <u>PRIMARY ACTIVE</u> CRUISE ALTITUDE TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT LANDING GROSS WEIGHT TOTAL FUELF0B PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL TRIP FUEL RESERVE FUEL EXTRA FUEL FINAL FUEL CENTER OF GRAVITY ALTERNATE DESTINATION ALTERNATE FUEL ALTERNATE TIME DISTANCE TO ALTERNATE ALTERNATE CRUISE ALTITUDE</p>	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.
MQ	<p><u>MOD WIND REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /MQ350.370.390.410:SEA.N4030W110.ORD.ETC <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: WIND LEVEL ALTITUDE LIST ENTRY: WIND LEVEL WAYPOINT</p>	Consists of a list of elements defining altitudes for which winds are requested, followed by a list of elements defining waypoints in the modified route for which the request is being made.
MW	<p><u>MEAN WIND DATA</u> EXAMPLE: /MWKBFI,KMWH,P045 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT MEAN WIND</p>	Consists of a fixed order, fixed format field.
NV	<p><u>SUPPLEMENTAL NDB NAVAIDS</u> EXAMPLE: /NVABCD,N25131W108473,11300,VTH,01250,W11 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: NAVAID IDENT NAVAID LAT/LON FREQUENCY CLASS OF NAVAID NAVAID ELEVATION NAVAID MAGVAR</p>	
PG	<p><u>PAGE INFO</u> EXAMPLE: /PG13 PAGE INFO</p>	
PH	<p><u>FLIGHT PHASE</u> EXAMPLE: /PH2</p>	Consists of a fixed format field defining FMC flight phase.

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	IEI CONTENT FLIGHT PHASE	
PL	<u>PERFORMANCE LIMITS</u> EXAMPLE: /PL25,210340,220340,240320,500820,650820,500780	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field.
	IEI CONTENT TIME ERROR TOLERANCE CLIMB CAS LIMITS CRUISE CAS LIMITS DESCENT CAS LIMITS CLIMB MACH LIMITS CRUISE MACH LIMITS DESCENT MACH LIMITS	
PP	<u>PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS REPORT</u> EXAMPLE: /PP757- 200.PW2040,NDB170601,BC001M,NWA105,1750,,250,,0150,23,1,180,180,100250,100250,,,,,1020,P14,M1,5,1 30,36089	<u>Consists of a fixed order field.</u>
	<u>IEI CONTENT</u> <u>AIRCRAFT TYPE</u> <u>ENGINE TYPE</u> <u>NAVIGATION DATA BASE IDENT</u> <u>PERFORMANCE DATABASE IDENT</u> <u>FLIGHT NUMBER</u> <u>ZERO FUEL WEIGHT</u> <u>CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY</u> <u>CRUISE ALTITUDE</u> <u>PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL</u> <u>RESERVE FUEL</u> <u>COST INDEX</u> <u>CLIMB DERATE</u> <u>CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE</u> <u>DESCENT TRANSITION ALTITUDE</u> <u>CLIMB SPEED LIMIT</u> <u>DESCENT SPEED LIMIT</u> <u>FUEL FLOW FACTOR</u> <u>DRAG FACTOR</u> <u>PERF FACTOR</u> <u>IDLE FACTOR</u> <u>DESTINATION QNH</u> <u>DESTINATION TEMPERATURE</u> <u>DESTINATION ISA DEVIATION</u> <u>ENTERED LANDING FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION</u> <u>ENTERED LANDING SPEED</u> <u>TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE</u> <u>TAXI FUEL</u>	
PS	<u>POSITION REPORT</u> EXAMPLE: /PSN47261W122185,SEA,093118,350,ORTIN,093436,BARRO,M32,120015,0485,789,ECON CURRENT POSITION CROSSED WAYPOINT IDENT GREENWICH MEAN TIME CURRENT ALTITUDE GOTO (NEXT) WAYPOINT IDENT ETA AT GOTO WAYPOINT	

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GOTO + 1 (FOLLOWING) WAYPOINT IDENT  
 STATIC AIR TEMPERATURE (SAT)  
 ACTUAL WIND  
 FUEL REMAINING  
 TARGET MACH  
 CRUISE SPEED MODE  
 ENGINE OUT STATUS  
 ZERO FUEL WEIGHT

RA	<u>ALTERNATE ROUTE</u>	A variable length field that consists of flight plan elements that replace the inactive route. These flight plan elements define a flight plan in approximately the same fashion as ATC clearance
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EXAMPLE:  
 THE FORMAT IS THE SAME AS DESCRIBED FOR THE RI IEI DESCRIPTION.

RM	<u>ROUTE MODIFICATION</u>	A variable length field that that consists of flight plan elements that replace the inactive route. These flight plan elements define a flight plan in approximately the same fashion as ATC clearance language. The RM cannot contain the CR: or :DA: flight plan element identifiers.
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THE FORMAT IS THE SAME AS DESCRIBED FOR THE RI IEI DESCRIPTION WITH THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING: LO: LATERAL OFFSET

RR	<u>RUNWAY DATA REPORT</u>	Consists of a fixed format, fixed order field. EXAMPLE: /RRKBF1,13R,A9,P09,,155,1125,2855,,P25,U35,250015,1,15,2,,P40,108119126
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IEI CONTENT  
 DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT  
 TAKEOFF RUNWAY IDENT  
 RUNWAY INTERSECTION  
 POSITION SHIFT  
 RUNWAY LENGTH REMAINING  
 TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY  
 TRIM  
 CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT  
 REFERENCE TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT  
 OAT OR SAT  
 TAKEOFF RUNWAY SLOPE  
 TAKEOFF RUNWAY WIND  
 TAKEOFF RUNWAY CONDITION  
 TAKEOFF FLAPS  
 TAKEOFF THRUST RATING  
 VTR PERCENTAGE  
 SELECTED TEMPERATURE  
 TAKEOFF SPEEDS  
 BARO SETTING  
 FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION  
 THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE  
 ACCELERATION ALTITUDE  
 ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION ALTITUDE

SD	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL NAVIGATION DATA</u> <u>BASE</u>	Consists of an effectivity date and four separate lists that define the supplemental data base airport, navaid, waypoint and runway elements in that order.
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EXAMPLE: /SDJAN0190,KABC,N45240W119235,00911,W23.KJLL,etc:ABC,N45354W122506,11550,  
 VTH,00530,W21.SEE,etc:ABCDE,N45354W122506,,,  
 ,W22.WPT01,etc:05L,LFBO,N33125E010259,005,131,11125.02R,etc  
IEI CONTENT  
 EFFECTIVITY DATA

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LIST ENTRY:

AIRPORT IDENT  
AIRPORT LAT/LON  
AIRPORT ELEVATION  
AIRPORT MAGVAR

LIST ENTRY:

NAVAID IDENT  
NAVAID LAT/LON  
FREQUENCY  
CLASS OF NAVAID  
NAVAID ELEVATION  
—NAVAID MAGVAR

LIST ENTRY:

WAYPOINT IDENT  
WAYPOINT LAT/LON  
REFERENCE IDENT  
REFERENCE LAT/LON  
RADIAL/DISTANCE  
—WAYPOINT

MAGVAR

LIST ENTRY:

RUNWAY IDENT  
REFERENCE AIRPORT IDENT  
RUNWAY LAT/LON  
RUNWAY COURSE  
RUNWAY ELEVATION  
RUNWAY LENGTH

TD	TOP OF DESCENT REPORT EXAMPLE: /TD134230,N59151W132251,3153,001 IEI CONTENT TOP OF DESCENT ETA TOP OF DESCENT LOCATION CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT STIMULUS CODE	Consists of top of descent time and location, and current weight.
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TM	MOD TROPOPAUSE DATA EXAMPLE: TMSEA 550 M50 N4030W 110 570 M55 IEI CONTENT LIST ENTRY WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE	Consists of a variable length list of entries that include the waypoints, the waypoint tropopause altitude and the waypoint tropopause temperature.
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TR	TROPOPAUSE DATA EXAMPLE: TRSEA 600 M60 N4030W 110 550 M55 IEI CONTENT LIST ENTRY WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE MODIFICATION WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE MODIFICATION	Consists of a variable length list of entries that include the waypoints, the waypoint tropopause altitude and the waypoint tropopause temperature.
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WE	<u>WIND VECTOR MAGNITUDE DIFFERENCE</u> EXAMPLE: /WE020 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> WIND VECTOR MAGNITUDE DIFFERENCE	Consists of a fixed length field used to define the downlink trigger threshold for wind discrepancies.
WI	<u>WAYPOINT INFORMATION</u> EXAMPLE: /WIBDX,143205.CGC,144510.N33E010,153512 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION ETA AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT	Contains a list of waypoints and their ETAs.
WL	<u>WAYPOINT LIST</u> EXAMPLE: /WLBDX.CGC.NSG.N33E010 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION	Contains a list of waypoints for which data is to be included in a top of descent downlink.
WM	<u>ENROUTE WIND MODIFICATION</u> EXAMPLE: /WM310,SEA,120075,350M35.N04030W 120,130090 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> WIND ALTITUDE LIST ENTRY: WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION WAYPOINT WIND WAYPOINT ALTITUDE/OAT	Consists of an altitude and a variable length list of entries that include the waypoint, the waypoint winds that apply to that altitude and the waypoint temperature.
WP	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL NDB WAYPOINTS</u> EXAMPLE: /WPEFGH,N21421W101113,SRP,1090020,W09 <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: WAYPOINT IDENT WAYPOINT LAT/LON REFERENCE IDENT RADIAL/DISTANCE WAYPOINT MAGVAR	Consists of a list of waypoints to be included in the supplemental navigation data base.
WR	<u>ALTERNATE AIRPORT WEATHER REQUEST</u> EXAMPLE: /WRKLAX.KSFO.KPHX <u>IEI CONTENT</u> LIST ENTRY: DESTINATION AND ALTERNATE IDENTS	Consists of a variable length list of entries defining destination and alternate identifiers.



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5621 **Section 8**  
5622 **Element Definitions**

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5623 This section contains an alphabetical table of defined elements indicating the  
5624 formats and attributes of each element. This section will be updated as the need for  
5625 new elements is identified. Users are requested to advise the AEEC staff when  
5626 such a need arises.

5627 Notes:

- 5628 1. This element may require one or more elements to  
5629 completely define the desired data.
- 5630 2. Some implementations require that this element be uplinked  
5631 in a fixed length format of maximum character length.
- 5632 3. See Section 10 for further definition of codes.
- 5633 4. Millibars = Hectopascals = 100 newton/meter<sup>2</sup>

Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
ACARS CONFIG IDENT NUMBER	V	S	AN	10			
ACCELERATION ALTITUDE	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
ACT PLAN CRUISE ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
ACTIVE CRZ WAYPOINT	V	S	AN	13			
ACTIVE CRZ WAYPOINT/WIND	V	S	AN	13			
ACTIVE DESCENT WIND	V	M	N	9			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
ACTUAL WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
AIRCRAFT TYPE	V	S	AN	11			
AIRPORT ELEVATION	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
AIRPORT IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
AIRPORT LAT/LON	F	S	AN	13			

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DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
AIRPORT MAGVAR	V	S	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	Degrees	
ALTERNATE ASSUMED TEMPERATURE	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
ALTERNATE COMPANY ROUTE	V	S	AN	10			
ALTERNATE CRUISE ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
ALTERNATE DESTINATION	V	S	AN	4			1
ALTERNATE FLAP/SLAT							
CONFIGURATION	F	S	N	1			
ALTERNATE FLAPS	V	S	N	2	1	Degrees	
ALTERNATE FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
ALTERNATE IDENT	V	S	AN	10			
ALTERNATE LIMIT TAKEOFF							

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GROSS WT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
ALTERNATE TAKEOFF SPEEDS	F	M	N	9			
V1	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
VR	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
V2	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
ALTERNATE THRUST RATING	F	S	N	1		0 = No derate 1 = Derate 1 2 = Derate 2   9 = Derate 9	
ALTERNATE TIME	F	M	N	6			1
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Second	
ALTERNATE TRIM	V	D	AN	5			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	4	0.01	Degrees	
ALTERNATE TYPE	F	S	A	1		M=Missed Appr D=Dir to from	1

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						Present Pos	
ALTERNATE VTR PERCENTAGE	V	S	N	2	1	Percent	
ALTERNATE WIND	V	M	N	9			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
ALTITUDE AND WIND	V	M	N	9			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
ALTITUDE TO ALTERNATE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	1
ALTITUDE TO PREDICTED WPT	V	S	N	4	10	Feet	
ALTN FLIGHT LIST ALT/OAT	V	M	AN	6			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100		
DIRECTIONAL	F	D	A	1			
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1		
ALTN FLIGHT LIST IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
ALTN FLIGHT LIST WIND	V	D	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F		N	3	1		
MAGNITUDE	V		N	3	1		
ALTN INHIBIT	V	S	AN	4			
ARRIVAL AIRPORT IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
ASSUMED TEMPERATURE	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus	

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						M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
BARO SETTING	V	D	AN	5			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		H=QNH E=QFE	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	4	1	Hecto-pascals	4
CENTER IRS POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
CENTER OF GRAVITY	V	S	N	3	0.1	Percent	
CLASS OF NAVAID	V	S	A	7			
CLIMB CAS LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM CLB CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MAXIMUM CLB CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
CLIMB DERATE	F	S	N	1		N=as required N=0 (NoDerate) N=1 (Derate 1)	

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						N=2 (Derate 2)	
CLIMB MACH LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM CLB MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MAXIMUM CLB MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
<u>CLIMB SPEED LIMIT</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>6</u>			
<u>ALTIITUDE</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>Feet</u>	
<u>SPEED</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Knots (CAS)</u>	
CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
CLIMB WIND	V	M	N	9			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
COMPANY DISTRIBUTION	V	S	AN	10			
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN ALT/OAT	V	M	AN	6			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100		
DIRECTIONAL	F	D	A	1			
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1		
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN OFFSET	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			
DISTANCE	V		N	2	1		
COMPANY PREF ALTN OVERHEAD FIX	V	S	AN	13			
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN PRIORITY	F	S	N	1			

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COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN SPEED	V	M	N	4			
TYPE	F	S	N	1			
SPEED VALUE	V	S	N	S	1,0001		
COMPANY PREFERRED ALTN WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1		
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1		
COMPANY ROUTE	V	S	AN	10			
COST INDEX	V	S	N	4			
COURSE IN	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
COURSE INTO PREDICTED WAYPOINT	V	S	N	3	1	Degrees	1
CROSS TRACK DEVIATION	V	D	AN	4			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		L or R	
DISTANCE	V		N	3	0.1	NM	
CROSSED WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
CRUISE ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
CRUISE CAS LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM CRZ CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MAXIMUM CRZ CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY	V	S	N	3	0.1	Percent	
CRUISE MACH LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM CRZ MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MAXIMUM CRZ MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
CRUISE SPEED MODE	V	S	AN	17		Active Cruise	
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CRUISE WAYPOINT WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
CRUISE WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
CRUISE WIND TO ALTERNATE	V	M	N	6			1
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
CURRENT ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
CURRENT CALIBRATED AIRSPEED	F	D	AN	4	1 or		
SPEED VALUE CAS/MACH	F		N	3	0.001	Knots, Mach	
UNIT IDENTIFIER	F		A	1		K or M	
CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
CURRENT GROSS WEIGHT AT PRED WPT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
CURRENT GROUND SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
CURRENT POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	

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MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
CURRENT TRUE AIRSPEED	F	D	AN	4	1 or		
SPEED VALUE CAS/MACH	F		N	3	0.001	Knots, Mach	
UNIT IDENTIFIER	F		A	1		K or M	
CURRENT VERTICAL SPEED	V	D	AN	5			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		U or D	
SPEED VALUE	V		N	4	1	Feet/min	
DATE	F	M	N	6			
DAY	F	S	N	2		Day	
MONTH	F	S	N	2		Month	
YEAR	F	S	N	2		Year	
DEPARTURE AIRPORT IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
DESCENT CAS LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM DES CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MAXIMUM DES CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
DESCENT ISA DEVIATION	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
DESCENT MACH LIMITS	F	M	N	6			
MINIMUM DES MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MAXIMUM DES MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
<u>DESCENT SPEED LIMIT</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>6</u>			

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<u>ALTITUDE</u>	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
<u>SPEED</u>	F	S	N	3	1	Knots (CAS)	
DESCENT TRANSITION ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
DESCENT WIND	V	M	N	9			
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	2
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
DESIRED TRACK	V	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
DESTINATION AND ALTERNATE IDENTS	V	S	AN	10			
<u>DESTINATION ISA DEVIATION</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>AN</u>	<u>3</u>			
<u>DIRECTIONAL</u>	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
<u>MAGNITUDE</u>	<u>V</u>		N	2	1	°C	
<u>DESTINATION QNH</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Hecto pascals</u>	4
DESTINATION RUNWAY IDENT	F	D	AN	3			
RUNWAY NUMBER	F		N	2			
RUNWAY SUFFIX	F		A	1		L=Left C=Center R=Right O=None	
<u>DESTINATION TEMPERATURE</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>AN</u>	<u>3</u>			
<u>DIRECTIONAL</u>	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
<u>MAGNITUDE</u>	<u>V</u>		N	2	1	°C	

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DISTANCE TO ALTERNATE	V	S	N	4	1	NM	
DISTANCE TO DESTINATION	V	S	N	4	1	NM	
DISTANCE TO PREDICTED WAYPOINT	V	S	N	4	1	NM	1
DISTANCE TO WAYPOINT	V	S	N	4	1	NM	
DOWNLINK GENERATION TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1		
DRAG FACTOR	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	0.1	Percent	
EFFECTIVITY DATE	F	M	AN	7			
MONTH	F	S	A	3		Month	
DAY	F	S	A	2		Day	
YEAR	F	S	N	2		Year	
ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION							
ALTITUDE	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
ENGINE-OUT STATUS	V	S	N	1		0=All Engine 1=Engine Out	
ENGINE THRUST	F	S	N	3	0.1	Klbs	
ENGINE TYPE	V	S	AN	15			
ENTERED LANDING FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION	F	S	N	1			

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<u>ENTERED LANDING SPEED</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Knots (CAS)</u>	
ENTERED IRS HEADING	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
ERROR DATA CODE	F	S	N	3			3
ERROR TYPE CODE	F	S	N	3			3
ESTIMATED WIND TO ALTERNATE	V	M	N	6			1
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
ETA AT ALTERNATE DESTINATION	F	M	N	6			1
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Second	
ETA AT DESTINATION	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Second	
ETA AT GOTO WAYPOINT	F	M	N	6			1
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Second	
ETA AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Second	
ETA CHANGE VARIABLE	F	S	N	1	1	Minutes	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
EXTENDED REJECTION DATA	V	S	AN	25			
EXTRA FUEL	V	D	AN	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	5	0.1	Klbs	
FINAL FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
FLAP/SLAT CONFIGURATION	F	S	N	1			
FLIGHT NUMBER	V	S	AN	10			
FLIGHT PATH ANGLE	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
ANGLE	V		N	2	0.1	Degrees	
FLIGHT PHASE	F	S	N	1		0= Preflight 1=Takeoff 2=Climb 3=Cruise 4= Descent 5= Approach 6=Go Around 7=Done	
FMC BEST POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
FMC POSITION PRIOR TO POS UPDATE	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
FMC SOFTWARE PART NUMBER	F	S	N	10			
FMC SYSTEM DATE	F	M	N	6			
DAY	F	S	N	2	1		
MONTH	F	S	N	2	1		
YEAR	F	S	N	2	1		
FMC SYSTEM TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	1

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
FUEL AT DESTINATION	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
FUEL FLOW FACTOR	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	0.1	Percent	
FUEL REMAINING	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
FUEL REMAINING AT ALTN DEST	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	1
FUEL REMAINING AT PREDICTED WPT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	1
GOTO (NEXT) WPT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
GOTO+1 (FOLLOWING) WPT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
GREENWICH MEAN TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
GROUND ADDRESS	V	S	AN	7			
HOLD EFC TIME	F	M	N	4			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
IDLE FACTOR	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	0.1	Percent	
INACTIVE COMPANY ROUTE	V	S	AN	10			
INVALID FLAG	F	S	N	1		Nothing	

O=Valid

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
							1=Invalid
IRS-C MODE	F	S	N	1			1=Align 2=Nav 3=Attitude
IRS-L MODE	F	S	N	1			1=Align 2=Nav 3=Attitude
IRS-R MODE	F	S	N	1			1=Align 2=Nav 3=Attitude
IRS MONITOR	F	M	N	9			
LEFT IRS DRIFT	F	S	N	3	0.1	NM/hour	
CENTER IRS DRIFT	F	S	N	3	0.1	NM/hour	
RIGHT IRS DRIFT	F	S	N	3	0.1	NM/hour	
LABEL CODE	F	S	N	3			
LANDING GROSS WEIGHT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
LEFT DME DISTANCE	V	S	N	4	0.1	NM	
LEFT DME FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	
LEFT GNSS POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			N=North S=South
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			E=East W=West

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DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
LEFT ILS FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	
LEFT IRS POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
LEFT VOR BEARING	F	S	N	4	0.1	Degrees	
LEFT VOR FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	
LITERAL ERROR DATA	V	S	AN	13			
LOCALIZER DEVIATION	V	D	AN	4		DDM	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		L = Left R = Right	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	3	0.001		
MANEUVER MARGIN	V	S	N	3	0.01		
MAXIMUM CLIMB CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MAXIMUM CLIMB MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MAXIMUM CRUISE CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MAXIMUM CRUISE MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MAXIMUM DESCENT CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	

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MAXIMUM DESCENT MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MEAN WIND	V	D	AN	4			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	3	1	Knots	
MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER	V	S	AN	10			
MINIMUM CLIMB CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MINIMUM CLIMB MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MINIMUM CRUISE CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MINIMUM CRUISE MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MINIMUM CRUISE TIME	F	S	N	1	1	Minutes	
MINIMUM DESCENT CAS	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
MINIMUM DESCENT MACH	F	S	N	3	0.001	Mach	
MINIMUM FUEL TEMPERATURE	V	D	AN	3		P=Plus M=Minus	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
MINIMUM R/C - CLB	V	S	N	3	1	Feet/min	
MINIMUM R/C - CRZ	V	S	N	3	1	Feet/min	
MINIMUM R/C - ENG OUT	V	S	N	3	1	Feet/min	
MOD CRZ WAYPOINTS	V	S	AN	13			
MOD PLAN CRUISE ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
MONITOR CODE	F	S	N	2			
NAVAID ELEVATION	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
NAVAID IDENT	V	S	AN	4			

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
NAVAID LAT/LON	F	S	AN	13			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
NAVAID MAGVAR	V	D	AN	3			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	Degrees	
NAVAID TYPE	F	S	A	1		D=DME V=VOR	
NAVIGATION DATA BASE IDENT	V	S	AN	10			
NETWORK ADDRESS	V	S	AN	7			
NOISE ABATEMENT <sup>A</sup> END ALTITUDE	V	S	V	5	1	Feet	
NOISE ABATEMENT SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
NOISE ABATEMENT DERATE THRUST	F	S	N	1		N=as required N=0 (no noise derate Thrust) N=1 (Derate 1)	

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							N=2 (Derate 2)
							N=3 (Max Climb)
NOISE ABATEMENT THRUST	V	M	AN	6			
THRUST TYPE	F	S	A	1			n=n1
							N=N1 E=EPR
THRUST VALUE	V	S	N	85	0.01		PERCENT OR EPR
NOISE ABATEMENT START ALTITUDE	V	S	N	85	1		Feet
OAT OR SAT	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			P=Plus M=Minus
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1		°C
OAT AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			P=Plus M=Minus
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1		°C
PAGE ID	V	M	AN	3			
PAGE NUMBER	V		N	2	1		
LAST PAGE FLAG	F		N	1			Blank= Page  to Follow  E=End
PAGE INFO	F	M	N	2			
PAGE NUMBER	F	S	N	1			

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
NUMBER OF PAGES	F	S	N	1			
PERF DEFAULTS CONFIG NO.	V	S	A	10			
PERF FACTOR	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	0.1	Percent	
<u>PERFORMANCE DATA BASE IDENT</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>AN</u>	<u>10</u>			
PLAN OR BLOCK FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
POSITION SHIFT	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
SHIFT	V		N	2	100	Feet	
PREDICTED AIRSPEED	F	D	AN	4			1
SPEED	F		N	3	1 or		
TYPE	F		A	1	0.001	K=Knot M=Mach	
PREDICTED DESTINATION FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	1
PREDICTED FUEL REMAINING	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	1
PREDICTED WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
<u>PRIMARY ACTIVE</u> CRUISE ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
PROCEDURE INDICATOR	F	S	A	1		Y= Proc.mbr. N=Not Proc.mbr.	1

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PROCEDURE IDENT	V	S	AN	6			1
PROCEDURE WAYPOINT	F	S	A	1		Y or N	
QNH	V	S	N	4	1	Hecto pascals	4
QRH T/O SPD CONFIG NUM	V	S	A	10			
RADIAL/DISTANCE	F	M	AN	7			1
RADIAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
DASH	F	S	AN	1			
DISTANCE	F	S	N	3	1	NM	
RADIO MEASUREMENT	V	S	N	4	0.1	NM or degrees	
REFERENCE AIRPORT IDENT	V	S	AN	4			
REFERENCE CRZ WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
REFERENCE IDENT	V	S	AN	5			1
REFERENCE LAT/LON	F	S	AN	13			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
REFERENCE RTA WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
REFERENCE TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
REPORT STIMULUS	F	S	N	3			3

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
RESERVE FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
RIGHT DME DISTANCE	V	S	N	4	0.1	NM	
RIGHT DME FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	
RIGHT GPS POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
RIGHT ILS FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	
RIGHT IRS POSITION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
RIGHT VOR BEARING	F	S	N	4	0.1	Degrees	
RIGHT VOR FREQUENCY	F	S	N	5	0.01	MHz	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
<u>RTA CONSTRAINT</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>2</u>			AA=AT_or AFTER AB=AT_or BEFORE AT =AT
RTA COST INDEX	V	D	AN	5			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			P=Plus M=Minus
COST INDEX	V		N	4	1		
RTA TAKEOFF WINDOW TIMES	F	M	N	12			
FIRST HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
FIRST MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
FIRST SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
LAST HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
LAST MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
LAST SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
RTA TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
RTA TIME ERROR TOLERANCE	V	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
RTA WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	13			
RTA WINDOW TIMES	F	M	N	12			
FIRST HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
FIRST MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
FIRST SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	

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LAST HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
LAST MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
LAST SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
RUNWAY COURSE	V	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
RUNWAY ELEVATION	V	S	N	6	1	Feet	
RUNWAY IDENT	F	D	AN	3			
RUNWAY NUMBER	F		N	2			
RUNWAY SUFFIX	F		A	1		L=Left C=Center R=Right O=None	
RUNWAY INTERSECTION	V	S	AN	3			
RUNWAY LAT/LON	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
RUNWAY LENGTH	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
RUNWAY LENGTH REMAINING	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
SCRATCHPAD	V	S	AN	24			
SELECTED TEMPERATURE	V	D	AN	3			

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DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
STANDARD LIMIT TAKEOFF GR WT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
STATIC AIR TEMPERATURE (SAT)	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
STEADY/INTERMITTENT	F	S	A	1		S or I	
STIMULUS CODE	F	S	N	3			3
SYSTEM CODE	F	S	N	2			
TAI ON ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
TAI ON/OFF ALTITUDE	F	M	N	6			
TAI ON ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
TAI OFF ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY	V	S	N	3	0.1	Percent	
TAKEOFF FLAPS	V	S	N	2	1	Degrees	
TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
TAKEOFF RUNWAY CONDITION	F	S	N	1		1=Wet 2=Dry 3=1/4 water 4=1/2 water	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
						5=1/4 slush	
						6=1/2 slush	
						7=compact snow	
						8= wet skid resist	
TAKEOFF RUNWAY IDENT	F	D	AN	3			
RUNWAY NUMBER	F		N	2			
RUNWAY SUFFIX	F		A	1		L=Left C=Center R=Right O=None	
TAKEOFF RUNWAY SLOPE	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		U=Up D=Down	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	0.1	Percent	
TAKEOFF RUNWAY WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degree	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
TAKEOFF SPEEDS	F	M	N	9			
V1	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
VR	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	
V2	F	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
TAKEOFF THRUST RATING	F	S	N	1		0= No derate	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
						1= Derate 1	
						2= Derate 2	
						8=Bump	
						9=Derate	
TAKEOFF TIME							
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hour	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minute	
TARGET MACH	V	S	N	3	.001	Mach	
TAS AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	1
TAXI FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
TEMPERATURE AT ALTERNATE	V	D	AN	3			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE	V	S	N	5	1	Feet	
TIME DETERMINED							
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TIME ERROR TOLERANCE	V	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TIME TO GO TO DESTINATION 1	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	
TIME TO GO TO DESTINATION 2	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
TIME TO GO TO DESTINATION 3	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	
TIME TO GO TO DESTINATION 4	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	
TIME TO GO TO DESTINATION 5	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	
TIME TO GO TRIGGER	V	S	N	3	1	Minutes	
TIME UPLINK IS RECEIVED	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TOC OR CRUISE TEMPERATURE	V	D	AN	3			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			P=Plus M=Minus
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
TOP OF DESCENT ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
TOP OF DESCENT ETA	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TOP OF DESCENT LOCATION	F	S	AN	13			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			N=North S=South
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1			E=East W=West
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
TOTAL FUEL/FOB	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
TRACK ANGLE MAG	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
TRIGGER NUMBER	F	S	N	3	1		
TRIGGER TRIPPED TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TRIGGER UPLINK TIME	F	M	N	6			
HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	Hours	
MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	Minutes	
SECONDS	F	S	N	2	1	Seconds	
TRIM	V	D	AN	5			
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	4	0.01	Degrees	
TRIP FUEL	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE	F	S	N	5	1	Feet	
UPLINKED IMI	F	S	A	3			
VERTICAL DEVIATION	V	D	AN	6			
DISTANCE	V		N	5	1	Feet	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		H or L	
VTR PERCENTAGE	V	S	N	2	1	Percent	
WAYPOINT ALTITUDE/OAT	V	M	AN	6			1

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
ALTITUDE	F	S	N	3	100	Feet	
OAT DIRECTIONAL	F	D	N	1		P=Plus M=Minus	
OAT MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	°C	
WAYPOINT BEARING	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	1
WAYPOINT IDENT	V	S	AN	5			
WAYPOINT LAT/LON	F	S	AN	13			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		N=North S=South	
DEGREES	F		N	2	1	Degrees	F
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
DEGREES	F		N	3	1	Degrees	
MINUTES	F		N	3	0.1	Minutes	
WAYPOINT MAGVAR	V	D	AN	3			1
DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		E=East W=West	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	2	1	Degrees	
WAYPOINT NAME OR POSITION	V	S	AN	13			
WAYPOINT SEQUENCE	V	S	AN	13			
WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE	E	S	N	3	100	Feet	
WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE MODIFICATION	E	S	N	3	100	Feet	
WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE	V	S	N	3			

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Element Description	Type	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Length	Scale	Units	Notes
DIRECTIONAL	V		N	3		Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	3	1	Knots	
WAYPOINT TEMPERATURE TEMPERATURE MODE/ALTITUDE	V	S	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	V		N	3		Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V		N	3	1	Knots	
WAYPOINT WIND	V	M	N	6			
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	1
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	2
WIND ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
WIND AT PREDICTED WAYPOINT	V	M	N	6			1
DIRECTIONAL	F	S	N	3	1	Degrees	
MAGNITUDE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
WIND LEVEL ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	Feet	
WIND LEVEL WAYPOINT	V	S	AN	13			
WIND VECTOR MAGNITUDE							
DIFFERENCE	V	S	N	3	1	Knots	
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT	V	S	N	5	0.1	Klbs	
ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CG	V	S	N	3	0.1	Percent	

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**Section 9  
Flight Plan Element Definitions**

This section contains the flight plan element identifiers and a complete description of each flight plan element.

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FPEI	Description	Element Description	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Type	Length	Scale	Units
:DA:	DEPARTURE AIRPORT	AIRPORT IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	4		
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:AA:	ARRIVAL AIRPORT	AIRPORT IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	4		
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:CR:	COMPANY ROUTE	COMPANY ROUTE	V	S	AN	10		
		<hr/>						
:R:	DEPARTURE RUNWAY	RUNWAY IDENTIFIER	F	D	AN	3		
		RWY NUMBER			N	2		
		RWY SUFFIX			A	1		L=LEFT
								C=CENTER
								R=RIGHT
	SUFFIX						O=NO	
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:D:	DEPARTURE PROCEDURE	PROCEDURE IDENT	V	S	AN	10		
		<hr/>						
:F:	FLIGHT PLAN SEGMENT	PUBLISHED IDENT						
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
		OPTIONAL INTRO.(,)						
		OPTIONAL LAT/LON	F	M	AN	13		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		N OR S
	DEGREES			N	5			

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		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		E OR W
		DEGREES			N	6		
	LAT/LON	LATITUDE/ LONGITUDE	V	M	AN	13		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		N OR S
		DEGREES			N	5		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		E OR W
		DEGREES			N	6		
	PB/PB	FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
		OPTIONAL INTRO.(,)						
		OPTIONAL LAT/LON	F	M	AN	13		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		N OR S
		DEGREES			N	5		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		E OR W
		DEGREES			N	6		
		OPTIONAL TERM.(,)						
		BEARING	F	S	N	3	1	DEGREES
		DASH						
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
		OPTIONAL INTRO.(,)						
		OPTIONAL LAT/LON	F	M	AN	13		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		N OR S
		DEGREES			N	5		

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		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		E OR W
		DEGREES			N	6		
		OPTIONAL TERM.(,)						
		BEARING	F	S	N	3	1	DEGREES
	PBD							
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
		OPTIONAL INTRO.(,)						
		OPTIONAL LAT/LON	F	M	AN	13		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		N OR S
		DEGREES			N	5		
		DIRECTIONAL			A	1		E OR W
		DEGREES			N	6		
		OPTIONAL TERM.(,)						
		BEARING	F	S	N	3	1	DEGREES
		DASH						
		DISTANCE	F	S	N	4	0.1	NM
:ON:	START OF DESIGNATED FLIGHT PLAN SEGMENT	SAME AS :F:						
:OF:	END OF DESIGNATED FLIGHT PLAN SEGMENT	SAME AS :F:						
..	DIRECT FIX	SAME AS :F:						
:A:	ARRIVAL PROCEDURE							
		PROCEDURE IDENT	V	S	AN	10		

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FPEI	Description	Element Description	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Type	Length	Scale	Units
:AP:	APPROACH PROCEDURE	PROCEDURE IDENT	V	S	AN	10		
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()	ARRIVAL RUNWAY	RUNWAY IDENTIFIER	F	M	AN	3		
		RWY NUMBER		S	N	2		
		RWY SUFFIX		S	A	1		L=LEFT C=CENTER R=RIGHT
		SUFFIX						O=NO
		<hr/>						
:V:	WAYPOINT SPD/ALT/TIME	FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL* SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	KNOTS
		COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL* ALTITUDE	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR ABOVE AB=AT OR BELOW AT=AT
		ALTITUDE	V		N	4	10	FEET
		COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL ALTITUDE	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR

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								ABOVE
								AB=AT OR
								BELOW
								AT=AT
		ALTITUDE	V		N	4	10	FEET
		COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL TIME*	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR AFTER
								AB=AT OR BEFORE
								AT=AT
		TIME	F		N	4	1	HOURS MINUTES UTC (HHMM)
		* For speed-only, altitude-only, or time-only constraints						
		Note: Either speed, altitude or time, or any combination must be included.						
	:H:	HOLD AT WAYPOINT						
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		COMMA (,)						
		SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	KNOTS
		COMMA (,)						
		ALTITUDE	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR ABOVE

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FPEI	Description	Element Description	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Type	Length	Scale	Units
								AB=AT OR
								BELOW
								AT=AT
		ALTITUDE	V	S	N	4	10	FEET
		COMMA (,)						
		TARGET SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	KNOTS
		COMMA (,)						
		TURN DIRECTION	F	S	A	1		L=LEFT
								R=RIGHT
		COMMA (,)						
		INBOUND COURSE	F	S	N	3	1	DEGREES
		COMMA (,)						
		EFC TIME	F	M	N	4		
		HOURS	F	S	N	2	1	00-24 HOURS
		MINUTES	F	S	N	2	1	MINUTES
		COMMA (,)						
		LEG TIME	F	S	N	2	0.1	MINUTES
		COMMA (,)						
		LEG DISTANCE	V	S	N	3	0.1	NM
:WS:	WAYPOINT	STEP						
	CLIMB							
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		COMMA (,)						
		ALTITUDE	V	S	N	3	100	FEET
:AT:	ALONG	TRACK						
	WAYPOINT							
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FPEI	Description	Element Description	Length Type	Elem Type	Char Type	Length	Scale	Units
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
		DASH (-)						
		DISTANCE	V	D	AN	5	0.1	NM
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		P=PLUS M=MINUS
		DISTANCE	V		N	4	0.1	NM
		COMMA (,)						
		SPEED	F	S	N	3	1	KNOTS
		COMMA (,)						
		ALTITUDE	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR ABOVE AB=AT OR BELOW AT=AT
		ALTITUDE	V	S	N	4	10	FEET
		COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL ALTITUDE	V	D	AN	6		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	2		AA=AT OR ABOVE AB=AT OR BELOW AT=AT
		ALTITUDE	V	S	N	4	10	FEET

:RP: REPORTING POINTS

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	LATITUDE RP	LATITUDE	V	M	AN	3		
		DIRECTIONAL	F	S	A	1		N=NORTH S=SOUTH
		DEGREES	V	S	N	2		DEGREES
		OPTIONAL DASH						
		DEGREE INCREMENT	V	S	N	2		
	LONGITUDE RP	LONGITUDE	V	M	AN	4		
		DIRECTIONAL	F	S	A	1		E=EAST W=WEST
		DEGREES	V	S	N	3		DEGREES
		OPTIONAL DASH						
		DEGREE INCREMENT	V	S	N	2		
	TRANSITION							
		TRANSITION IDENT	V	S	AN	5		
	AIRWAY VIA/EXIT VIA							
		AIRWAY VIA						
		AIRWAY IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
	AIRWAY EXIT VIA							
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	6		
:LO:	LATERAL OFFSET	OFFSET	V	D	AN	3		
		DIRECTIONAL	F		A	1		L=LEFT R=RIGHT
		DISTANCE	V/E		N	2/3	1/0.1	NM

*For backward compatibility, DISTANCE is either variable length (0-2 numerics) with a resolution of 1 NM or a fixed length of 3 numerics with a resolution of 0.1 NM. Older systems may not support 0.1 NM resolution.*

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		OPTIONAL COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL START FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		OPTIONAL COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL END FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		OPTIONAL COMMA (,)						
		OPTIONAL INTERCEPT ANGLE	V	S	N	3		DEGREES
:F:	AIRWAY INTERCEPT	AIRWAY IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	5		
:IC:	INTERCEPT COURSE FROM	PUBLISHED IDENT, PB/PB or PBD as defined in the :F: FLIGHT PLAN FPE, followed by a COMMA (,) and COURSE:						
		COURSE	V	S	N	3	1	DEG
:CS:	CRUISE SPEED SEGMENT							
		FIX IDENTIFIER	V	S	AN	13		
		COMMA (,)						
		SPEED TARGET	V	S	AN	3		Mach 000-999
								E=Econ
								L=LRC
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	OPTIONAL COMMA (.)							
	OPTIONAL ALTITUDE		F	S	N	3	100	FT
	OPTIONAL COMMA (.)							
	OPTIONAL IDENTIFIER	FIX V	S	AN	13			
	OPTIONAL COMMA (.)							
	OPTIONAL TARGET	SPEED V	S	AN	3		Mach 000- 999	
								E=Econ
								L=LR

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5640 **Codes and Triggers**

5641 **10.1 Error Type Codes**

5642 Error type codes are listed as decimal and hexadecimal values. Depending on  
5643 implementation, this code may be downlinked as either a decimal or hexadecimal  
5644 value.

DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
001	001	END TO END CRC
002	002	INVALID ATC
003	003	SYNTAX ERROR
004	004	MISSING ELEMENT
005	005	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
006	006	N/A FOR IN AIR
007	007	MISSING ALL DATA FOR DEPENDENT ELEMENT
008	008	INCOMPATIBLE DATA
009	009	FMC DOWNMODE
010	00A	REFERENCE MISMATCH
011	00B	NOT IN NDB
012	00C	DUPLICATE WAYPOINT
013	00D	ROUTE FULL ERROR
014	00E	DATA BASE FULL ERROR
015	00F	ENTRY SLOT UNAVAILABLE
016	010	DUPLICATE SUPPLEMENT NDB DEFINITION
017	011	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
018	012	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
019	013	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
020	014	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
021	015	NO MINIMUM FLIGHT PLAN
022	016	NO ACTIVE ROUTE FOR DOWNLINK
023	017	UNSOLICITED UPLINK
024	018	DATA NOT ALLOWED IN TAKEOFF PHASE
025	019	DATA NOT ALLOWED IN CLIMB PHASE
026	01A	DATA NOT ALLOWED IN CRUISE PHASE
027	01B	DATA NOT ALLOWED IN DESCENT PHASE
028	01C	INCOMPATIBLE RANGE
029	01D	DEPARTURE AIRPORT DOES NOT EXIST
030	01E	DESTINATION AIRPORT DOES NOT EXIST
031	01F	ATO DISTANCE IS ENTERED OVER AN INVALID LEG
032	020	NEGATIVE ATO IS ENTERED OVER MOD DIRECT TO WPT
033	021	ATO DISTANCE IS GREATER THAN LEG LENGTH
034	022	INITIAL FIX IS FLOATER OR PPOS
035	023	PBPB WAYPOINT WITH NO VALID INTERSECTION
036	024	DIRECT WPT AFTER INTERCEPT WAYPOINT
037	025	HOLD ENTERED ON NON-HARD WAYPOINT

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DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
038	026	ALTITUDE RESTRICTION ON ALT ONLY WAYPOINT
039	027	TO FIX EQUALS FROM ON ROUTE PAGE
040	028	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
041	029	TO FIX IS NOT ON AIRWAY
042	02A	TO FIX CAUSES CHANGE OF DIRECT ON AIRWAY
043	02B	FROM AND TO NOT ON ENTERED AIRWAY
044	02C	CRUISE ALTITUDE LESS THAN MIN CRUISE ALT
045	02D	EPC MORE THAN 6 HOURS PAST HOLD FIX ETA
046	02E	RUNWAY REMAINING GREATER THAN RUNWAY LENGTH
047	02F	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
048	030	UNSOLICITED MOD WIND BECAUSE OF LONG DELETE
049	031	INAPPROPRIATE DATA TYPE
050	032	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
051	033	UNSOLICITED MOD WIND
052	034	CRUISE WIND IN DESCENT
053	035	DATA NOT ALLOWED IN PHASE
054	036	HOLD ENTERED ON HOLD EXIT WITH EXIT ARMED
055	037	VIA TYPE OF PROCEDURE TO FIX ENTRY NOT ALLOWED
056	038	ENTERED AIRPORT ID – DIRECT
057	039	VIA ENTERED FOR FIRST ROUTE SEGMENT
058	03A	AIRWAY UNPACK WAS UNSUCCESSFUL
059	03B	COMPANY ROUTE UNPACK UNSUCCESSFUL
060	03C	N/A FOR AIRCRAFT STATE
061	03D	PROCEDURE NOT FOUND (FOR ENROUTE AFTER)
062	03E	N/A FOR AIRCRAFT INSTALLATION
063	03F	DATA ELEMENT NOT ALLOWED ON GROUND
064	040	NO OFFSET EXISTS
065	041	NO OFFSET AT LEG
066	042	OFFSET IS ACTIVE
067	043	OFFSET DATA INCOMPATIBLE
068	044	NO OFFSETABLE LEG EXISTS
069	045	IMI LOST DUE TO WARM START
070	046	IMI LOST DUE TO OVERFLOW
071-100	047-064	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
101	065	BUFFER FULL
102	066	INCOMPATIBLE IEI
103	067	INVALID IEI FORMAT
104	068	INVALID IMI FORMAT
105	069	NOT ALLOWED ON GROUND
106	06A	INVALID REQUEST LABEL
107	06B	NO IEIs IN MESSAGE
108	06C	NO DATA IN ELEMENT TEXT
109	06D	INVALID FORMAT AND/OR RANGE
110	06E	NOT ALLOWED WHEN AIRBORNE

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
111	06F	NO APPLICABLE ROUTE
112	070	NO APPLICABLE IEI
113	071	NO REPORTING POINTS CREATED
114	072	ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CAUSES INVALID GROSS WEIGHT
115	073	PRIORITY MESSAGE PENDING
116	074	MULTIPLE ROUTE IEI
117	075	NO ROUTE IEI
118	076	NO FLIGHT PLAN ELEMENTS
119	077	NO ACTIVE ROUTE
120	078	FIRST FLIGHT PLAN ELEMENT INVALID
121	079	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
122	07A	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
123	07B	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
124	07C	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
125	07D	MULTIPLE DIRECT TO FIX
126	07E	MULTIPLE OF FLIGHT PLAN ELEMENT NOT ALLOWED
127	07F	FROM FIX IS NOT ON AIRWAY
128	080	AIRWAY/AIRWAY INTERSECTION NOT FOUND
129	081	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
130	082	NO FIX MATCH IN ROUTE
131	083	MULTIPLE HOLD AT FIX
132	084	BASE PROCEDURE UNDEFINED
133	085	LAT/LON REPORTING POINT NOT FOUND
134	086	CURRENT FLIGHT PLAN CONDITIONS INVALID FOR OFFSET
135	087	FPEI INCOMPATIBLE WITH IEI
136	088	NO COMPATIBLE RUNWAYS
137	089	AIRWAY FLIGHT PLAN ELEMENT IS NOT CLOSED
138	08A	NO FROM FIX FOR AIRWAY FLIGHT PLAN ELEMENT
139	08B	SPARE
140	08C	EXCEEDS CHARACTER LIMIT
141	08D	DERATE OPTION NOT SELECTED
142	08E	PAGES OUT OF SEQUENCE
143	08F	TIMED OUT
144	090	NO VALID RWY RECORDS
145-200	091-0C8	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
201	0C9	DEPENDENT IMI REJECTED
202	0CA	DUPLICATE IEIs
203	0CB	REPORT NOT ALLOWED WITH INVALID A/C POSITION
204	0CC	BLOCK NOT SUFFICIENT FOR TAXI AND ROUTE RESERVE
205	0CD	WINDOW ALTITUDE CONSTRAINT NOT ALLOWED
206	0CE	NOT ALLOWED FOR ALTERNATE FLIGHT PLAN
207	0CF	DESTINATION DOES NOT MATCH ORIGIN OF ALTERNATE
208	0D0	PILOT DEFINED STORE IS FULL
209-300	0D1-12C	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (AIRBUS AIRCRAFT)

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5645 **10.2 Error Data Codes**

5646 Error codes are listed as decimal and hexadecimal values. Depending in  
5647 implementation, this code may be downlinked as either a decimal or hexadecimal  
5648 value.

DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
001	001	RTA WAYPOINT DATA CODE
002	002	RTA TIME DATA CODE
003	003	ALTERNATE AIRPORT ID DATA CODE
004	004	ALTERNATE AIRPORT TYPE DATA CODE
005	005	ALTERNATE AIRPORT DISTANCE DATA CODE
006	006	ALTERNATE AIRPORT ALTITUDE DATA CODE
007	007	ALTERNATE AIRPORT WIND DATA CODE
008	008	CLEAR FLIGHT PLAN DATA CODE
009	009	FLIGHT NUMBER DATA CODE
010	00A	COST INDEX DATA CODE
011	00B	CRUISE ALTITUDE DATA CODE
012	00C	CRUISE (TOC) TEMP DATA CODE
013	00D	ZERO FUEL WEIGHT DATA CODE
014	00E	CRUISE WIND DATA CODE
015	00F	RESERVE FUEL DATA CODE
016	010	CRUISE CENTER OF GRAVITY DATA CODE
017	011	CLIMB TRANSITION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
018	012	TAKEOFF DEPARTURE RUNWAY ID DATA CODE
019	013	RUNWAY INTERSECTION DATA CODE
020	014	RUNWAY POSITION SHIFT DATA CODE
021	015	RUNWAY LENGTH REMAINING DATA CODE
022	016	T/O RUNWAY INVALID FLAG DATA CODE
023	017	TRIM DATA CODE
024	018	TAKEOFF REFERENCE GROSS WEIGHT DATA CODE
025	019	TAKEOFF FLAPS DATA CODE
026	01A	V1 SPEED DATA CODE
027	01B	V2 SPEED DATA CODE
028	01C	VR SPEED DATA CODE
029	01D	TAKEOFF SEL TEMP DATA CODE (ASSUMED TEMP)
030	01E	T/O RUNWAY SLOPE DATA CODE
031	01F	T/O RUNWAY WIND DATA CODE
032	020	T/O RUNWAY CONDITION DATA CODE
033	021	TAKEOFF DERATE DATA CODE
034	022	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
035	023	OUTSIDE AIR TEMP DATA CODE
036	024	DESCENT WIND ALT DATA CODE
037	025	DESCENT WIND DIR/MAG DATA CODE
038	026	TAKEOFF CENTER OF GRAVITY DATA CODE
039	027	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
040	028	BLOCK FUEL DATA CODE (PLAN FUEL)
041	029	DESCENT TRANSITION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
042	02A	TAI ON DATA CODE
043	02B	TAI ON/OFF ALTITUDE DATA CODE
044	02C	DESCENT ISA DEV DATA CODE
045	02D	QNH DATA CODE
046	02E	TIME ERROR TOLERANCE DATA CODE
047	02F	MIN CLB CAS DATA CODE
048	030	MIN CLB MACH DATA CODE
049	031	MIN CRZ CAS DATA CODE
050	032	MIN CRZ MACH DATA CODE
051	033	MIN DES CAS DATA CODE
052	034	MIN DES MACH DATA CODE
053	035	MAX CLB CAS DATA CODE
054	036	MAX CLB MACH DATA CODE
055	037	MAX CRZ CAS DATA CODE
056	038	MAX CRZ MACH DATA CODE
057	039	MAX DES CAS DATA CODE
058	03A	MAX DES MACH DATA CODE
059	03B	DEPARTURE AIRPORT DATA CODE
060	03C	DESTINATION AIRPORT DATA CODE
061	03D	COMPANY ROUTE DATA CODE
062	03E	DEPARTURE RUNWAY DATA CODE
063	03F	DEPARTURE BASE PROCEDURE DATA CODE
064	040	DEPARTURE TRANSITION PROCEDURE DATA CODE
065	041	AIRWAY VIA DATA CODE
066	042	INITIAL FIX WAYPOINT DATA CODE
067	043	INITIAL FIX PBD DATA CODE
068	044	INITIAL FIX PBPB DATA CODE
069	045	INITIAL FIX LAT/LON DATA CODE
070	046	DIRECT WPT AFTER SID DATA CODE
071	047	DIRECT PBD AFTER SID DATA CODE
072	048	DIRECT PBPB AFTER SID DATA CODE
073	049	DIRECT LAT/LON AFTER SID DATA CODE
074	04A	DIRECT WAYPOINT AFTER STAR DATA CODE
075	04B	DIRECT PBD AFTER STAR DATA CODE
076	04C	DIRECT PBPB AFTER STAR DATA CODE
077	04D	DIRECT LAT/LON AFTER STAR DATA CODE
078	04E	DIRECT WAYPOINT AFTER APPROACH DATA CODE
079	04F	DIRECT PBD AFTER APPROACH DATA CODE
080	050	DIRECT PBPB AFTER APPROACH DATA CODE
081	051	DIRECT LAT/LON AFTER APPROACH DATA CODE
082	052	DIRECT TO WAYPOINT DATA CODE
083	053	DIRECT TO PBD DATA CODE

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
084	054	DIRECT TO PBPB DATA CODE
085	055	DIRECT LAT/LON DATA CODE
086	056	ENROUTE WAYPOINT DATA CODE
087	057	DIRECT WAYPOINT DATA CODE
088	058	DIRECT PBD DATA CODE
089	059	DIRECT PBPB DATA CODE
090	05A	DIRECT LAT/LON DATA CODE
091	05B	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
092	05C	REF WAYPOINT 2 LAT/LON DATA CODE
093	05D	STAR BASE PROCEDURE DATA CODE
094	05E	STAR TRANS PROCEDURE DATA CODE
095	05F	APPROACH BASE PROCEDURE DATA CODE
096	060	APPROACH TRANSITION PROCEDURE DATA CODE
097	061	DESTINATION RUNWAY DATA CODE
098	062	HOLD ID AND ALT RESTRICTION DATA CODE
099	063	HOLD TARGET SPEED DATA CODE
100	064	HOLD TURN DIRECTION DATA CODE
101	065	HOLD INBOUND COURSE DATA CODE
102	066	HOLD EFC TIME DATA CODE
103	067	HOLD LEG TIME DATA CODE
104	068	HOLD LEG DISTANCE DATA CODE
105	069	ATO WAYPOINT INFORMATION DATA CODE
106	06A	UPLINK REQUESTING DOWNLINK DATA CODE
107	06B	WAYPOINT SPD/ALT RESTRICTION DATA CODE
108	06C	NETWORK ADDRESS DATA CODE
109	06D	COMPANY ROUTING ADDRESS DATA CODE
110	06E	MESSAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER DATA CODE
111	06F	REFERENCE CRUISE WIND ALT DATA CODE
112	070	ENROUTE WIND WAYPOINT ID DATA CODE
113	071	ENROUTE WIND DIR/MAG DATA CODE
114	072	SUPP EFFECT DATE DATA CODE
115	073	SUPP AIRPORT ID DATA CODE
116	074	SUPP AIRPORT LAT DATA CODE
117	075	SUPP AIRPORT LON DATA CODE
118	076	SUPP AIRPORT ELEVATION DATA CODE
119	077	SUPP AIRPORT MAG VAR DATA CODE
120	078	SUPP NAVAID ID DATA CODE
121	079	SUPP NAVAID LAT DATA CODE
122	07A	SUPP NAVAID LON DATA CODE
123	07B	SUPP NAVAID ELEVATION DATA CODE
124	07C	SUPP NAVAID MAG VAR DATA CODE
125	07D	SUPP NAVAID FREQUENCY DATA CODE
126	07E	SUPP NAVAID CLASS DATA CODE
127	07F	SUPP WAYPOINT ID DATA CODE



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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
128	080	SUPP WAYPOINT LAT DATA CODE
129	081	SUPP WAYPOINT LON DATA CODE
130	082	SUPP WAYPOINT MAG VAR DATA CODE
131	083	SUPP REF WAYPOINT ID DATA CODE
132	084	SUPP REF WAYPOINT REF LAT/LON DATA CODE
133	085	SUPP REF WAYPOINT RADIAL DATA CODE
134	086	SUPP REF WAYPOINT DISTANCE DATA CODE
135	087	WIND VECTOR MAGNITUDE DIFFERENCE DATA CODE
136	088	WAYPOINT SEQUENCE ID DATA CODE
137	089	ETA CHANGE DATA CODE
138	08A	ETA TO DEST 1 DATA CODE
139	08B	ETA TO DEST 2 DATA CODE
140	08C	ETA TO DEST 3 DATA CODE
141	08D	ETA TO DEST 4 DATA CODE
142	08E	ETA TO DEST 5 DATA CODE
143	08F	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
144	090	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
145	091	ROUTE BUILDING PARAMETER DATA CODE
146	092	ROUTE DATA TYPE CODE
147	093	PERF INIT DATA TYPE CODE
148	094	TAKEOFF REF DATA TYPE CODE
149	095	RTA DATA TYPE CODE
150	096	ALTERNATE INFO DATA TYPE CODE
151	097	SUPP NDB DATA TYPE CODE
152	098	AUTO INSERT DATA TYPE CODE
153	099	ACTIVE WIND DATA TYPE CODE
154	09A	MOD WIND DATA TYPE CODE
155	09B	DESCENT FORECAST DATA TYPE CODE
156	09C	PERF LIMITS DATA TYPE CODE
157	09D	SPARE DATA TYPE CODE
158	09E	LATERAL OFFSET DIST DATA CODE
159	09F	LATERAL OFFSET START WPT DATA CODE
160	0A0	LATERAL OFFSET END WPT DATA CODE
161-200	0A1-0C8	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
201	0C9	FUEL FLOW FACTOR DATA CODE
202	0CA	DRAG FACTOR DATA CODE
203	0CB	LIMIT TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT DATA CODE
204	0CC	THRUST RATING DATA CODE
205	0CD	VTR PERCENTAGE DATA CODE
206	0CE	ALTERNATE FLAPS DATA CODE
207	0CF	ALTERNATE TRIM DATA CODE
208	0D0	ALTERNATE LIMIT TAKEOFF GROSS WEIGHT DATA CODE
209	0D1	TAKEOFF SPEEDS DATA CODE
210	0D2	ALTERNATE TAKEOFF SPEEDS DATA CODE

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
211	0D3	WAYPOINT ALTITUDE/OAT DATA CODE
212	0D4	LATERAL OFFSET DATA CODE
213	0D5	ALONG TRACK OFFSET DATA CODE
214	0D6	WAYPOINT STEP CLIMB DATA CODE
215	0D7	LAT/LON REPORTING POINT DATA CODE
216	0D8	GROUND ADDRESS DATA CODE
217	0D9	DIRECT FIX DATA CODE
218	0DA	HOLD SPEED RESTRICTION DATA CODE
219	0DB	POSITION REPORTING POINT DATA CODE
220	0DC	ENROUTE WIND SEGMENT DATA CODE
221	0DD	ENROUTE SEGMENT DATA CODE
222	0DE	OPEN ENDED AIRWAY DATA CODE
223	0DF	ALTERNATE THRUST RATING DATA CODE
224	0E0	SEQUENCE NUMBER DATA CODE
225	0E1	MINIMUM FUEL TEMPERATURE DATA CODE
226	0E2	COMPANY PREFERRED AIRPORT IDENT DATA CODE
227	0E3	COMPANY PREFERRED PRIORITY DATA CODE
228	0E4	COMPANY PREFERRED WIND DATA CODE
229	0E5	COMPANY PREFERRED ALT/OAT DATA CODE
230	0E6	COMPANY PREFERRED OVERHEAD FIX DATA CODE
231	0E7	COMPANY PREFERRED ALTITUDE DATA CODE
232	0E8	COMPANY PREFERRED SPEED DATA CODE
233	0E9	COMPANY PREFERRED OFFSET DATA CODE
234	0EA	FLIGHT LIST AIRPORT IDENT DATA CODE
235	0EB	FLIGHT LIST WIND DATA CODE
236	0EC	FLIGHT LIST ALT/OAT DATA CODE
237	0ED	ALTERNATE INHIBIT AIRPORT IDENT DATA CODE
238	0EE	ALTERNATE TAKEOFF VTR PERCENTAGE DATA CODE
239	0EF	THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
240	0F0	ACCELERATION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
241	0F1	ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
242	0F2	PAGING DATA CODE
243	0F3	INTERCEPT COURSE FROM IDENT DATA CODE
244	0F4	INTERCEPT COURSE FROM COURSE DATA CODE
245	0F5	CRUISE SPEED SEGMENT START WAYPOINT DATA CODE
246	0F6	CRUISE SPEED SEGMENT END WAYPOINT DATA CODE
247	0F7	CRUISE SPEED SEGMENT SPEED DATA CODE
248	0F8	CRUISE SPEED SEGMENT ALTITUDE DATA CODE
249-300	0F9-12C	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
301	12D	PERF FACTOR DATA CODE
302	12E	TAXI FUEL DATA CODE
303	12F	ZERO FUEL WEIGHT CG DATA CODE
304	130	TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE DATA CODE
305	131	IDLE FACTOR DATA CODE

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DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
306	132	MEAN WIND DATA CODE
307	133	CLIMB WIND ALTITUDE DATA CODE
308	134	CLIMB WIND DIR/MAG DATA CODE
309	135	ALTERNATE DESTINATION WIND ALTITUDE DATA CODE
310	136	ALTERNATE DESTINATION WIND DIR/MAG DATA CODE
311	137	STAR/ENROUTE TRANSITION DATA CODE
312	138	THRUST REDUCTION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
313	139	ACCELERATION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
314	13A	ENGINE-OUT ACCELERATION ALTITUDE DATA CODE
315	13B	ALTERNATE ASSUMED TEMP DATA CODE
316-400	13C-190	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (AIRBUS AIRCRAFT)
401	191	NOISE ABATEMENT END ALTITUDE DATA CODE
402	192	NOISE ABATEMENT SPEED DATA CODE
403	193	NOISE ABATEMENT DERATED THRUST DATA CODE
404	194	HOLD ALTITUDE DATA CODE
405	195	NOISE ABATEMENT THRUST DATA CODE
406	196	NOISE ABATEMENT START ALTITUDE DATA CODE
407	197	SUPP REF AIRPORT DATA CODE
408	198	SUPP RUNWAY DATA CODE
409	199	SUPP RUNWAY LAT DATA CODE
410	19A	SUPP RUNWAY LON DATA CODE
411	19B	SUPP RUNWAY COURSE DATA CODE
412	19C	SUPP RUNWAY ELEVATION DATA CODE
413	19D	SUPP RUNWAY LENGTH DATA CODE
414	19E	CLIMB TEMPERATURE ALTITUDE DATA CODE
415	19F	CLIMB TEMPERATURE DATA CODE
416	1A0	DESCENT TEMPERATURE ALTITUDE DATA CODE
417	1A1	DESCENT TEMPERATURE DATA CODE
418	1A2	WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE DATA CODE
419	1A3	WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE DATA CODE
420	1A4	WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE ALTITUDE MODIFICATION DATA CODE
421	1A5	WAYPOINT TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE MODIFICATION DATA CODE

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5651 **10.3 Extended Error Codes**

5652 Extended error codes are listed as decimal and hexadecimal values. Depending on  
5653 implementation, this code may be downlinked as either a decimal or hexadecimal  
5654 value.

DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
001	001	ALL OF MESSAGE TEXT DISCARDED
002	002	REMAINDER OF MESSAGE TEXT DISCARDED
003	003	ALL OF DATA TYPE DISCARDED
004	004	REMAINDER OF DATA TYPE DISCARDED
005	005	ALL OF ELEMENT TEXT DISCARDED
006	006	REMAINDER OF ELEMENT TEXT DISCARDED
007	007	ALL OF LIST DISCARDED
008	008	REMAINDER OF LIST DISCARDED
009	009	ALL OF LIST ELEMENT DISCARDED
010	00A	ALL OF MULTI-PARAMETER ELEMENT DISCARDED
011	00B	ALL OF ROUTE BUILDING PARAMETER DISCARDED
012	00C	ALL APPROACH PROCEDURE RELATED DATA DISCARDED
013	00D	ALL DEPARTURE AIRPORT RELATED DATA DISCARDED
014	00E	ALL ARRIVAL AIRPORT RELATED DATA DISCARDED
015	00F	ALL SID RELATED DATA DISCARDED
016	010	ALL STAR RELATED DATA DISCARDED
017	011	NEXT AIRWAY DISCARDED
018	012	SINGLE ELEMENT DISCARDED
019-100	013-064	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
101	065	ALL OF LIST ENTRY DISCARDED
102	066	ALL OF ENROUTE SEGMENT DISCARDED
103	067	ALTERNATE RUNWAY DATA DISCARDED
104	068	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
105	069	ALL OF ELEMENT TEXT DISCARDED
106-200	06A-0C8	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
201-300	0C9-12C	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (AIRBUS AIRCRAFT)

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5657 **10.4 Triggers, Stimulus Code, and Report Stimulus Codes**

5658 Triggers, stimulus codes and report stimulus codes are listed as decimal and  
5659 hexadecimal values. Depending on implementation, this code may be downlinked  
5660 as either a decimal or hexadecimal value.

DEC CODE	HEX CODE	DESCRIPTION
001	001	4R INIT REF
002	002	4L SUPP NAV DATA INDEX
003	003	4R SUPP NAV DATA INDEX
004	004	5R PERF INIT
005	005	5L PERF LIMITS
006	006	5R PERF LIMITS
007	007	4L TAKEOFF REF 1/2
008	008	6R MOD LEGS EXTENDED DATA
009	009	6L ALTERNATE DEST
010	00A	1L DATA LINK
011	00B	2L DATA LINK
012	00C	3L DATA LINK
013	00D	4L DATA LINK
014	00E	5L DATA LINK
015	00F	1R DATA LINK
016	010	2R DATA LINK
017	011	3R DATA LINK
018	012	4R DATA LINK
019	013	5R DATA LINK
020	014	6R DATA LINK
021	015	1R MAINT BITE INDEX
022	016	2R MAINT BITE INDEX
023	017	3R MAINT BITE INDEX
024	018	4R MAINT BITE INDEX
025	019	5R MAINT BITE INDEX
026	01A	6R MAINT BITE INDEX
027	01B	6R FMCS BITE INDEX
028	01C	6R FMCS SENSOR STATUS 2/2
029	01D	6R FMCS ANALOG DISCRETES
030	01E	6R IRS MONITOR
031	01F	6R FMCS INFLIGHT FAULTS 3/3
032	020	6R FMCS FLIGHT SELECT
033	021	6R FMCS FLIGHT 'N'
034	022	3R ROUTE
035	023	6R ACT LEGS EXTENDED DATA
036	024	5L PROGRESS 3/3
037	025	5R PROGRESS 3/3
038	026	6L PROGRESS 3/3
039	027	6R PROGRESS 3/3

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
040	028	DES FORECAST
041	029	TIME TO DESTINATION 1
042	02A	TIME TO DESTINATION 2
043	02B	TIME TO DESTINATION 3
044	02C	TIME TO DESTINATION 4
045	02D	TIME TO DESTINATION 5
046	02E	CHANGE IN DESTINATION ETA
047	02F	CHANGE IN DESTINATION AIRPORT
048	030	CHANGE IN ARRIVAL RUNWAY
049	031	EFC ENTRY
050	032	WIND DISCREPANCY
051	033	WAYPOINT SEQUENCE
052	034	POS SHIFT TO IRS LEFT
053	035	POS SHIFT TO IRS RIGHT
054	036	POS SHIFT TO IRS CENTER
055	037	POS SHIFT TO RADIO
056	038	POS SHIFT TO GPS LEFT
057	039	POS SHIFT TO GNSS RIGHT
058	03A	VERIFY POSITION MESSAGE
059	03B	INSUFFICIENT FUEL MESSAGE
060	03C	MOD PLAN EXECUTION
061	03D	CRUISE ALTITUDE CHANGE
062	03E	RTA UNACHIEVABLE MESSAGE
063	03F	HOLDING PATTERN EXIT
064	040	HOLDING PATTERN ENTRY
065	041	FMC FAULT
066	042	SENSOR FAILURE
067	043	BAD NAVAID
068	044	INAIR
069	045	COMPANY UPLINK TEXT ERROR
070	046	ATC UPLINK TEXT ERROR
071	047	COMPANY UPLINK ACKNOWLEDGE
072	048	ATC UPLINK ACKNOWLEDGE
073	049	COMPANY ROUTE DATA ACCEPTED
074	04A	ATC ROUTE DATA ACCEPTED
075	04B	COMPANY ROUTE DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
076	04C	ATC ROUTE DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
077	04D	COMPANY ROUTE DATA REJECTED
078	04E	ATC ROUTE DATA REJECTED
079	04F	COMPANY RTA DATA ACCEPTED
080	050	ATC RTA DATA ACCEPTED
081	051	COMPANY RTA DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
082	052	ATC RTA DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
083	053	COMPANY RTA DATA REJECTED

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<b>DEC CODE</b>	<b>HEX CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
084	054	ATC RTA DATA REJECTED
085	055	COMPANY WIND TEMP DATA ACCEPTED
086	056	ATC WIND DATA ACCEPTED
087	057	COMPANY WIND TEMP DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
088	058	ATC WIND DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
089	059	COMPANY WIND TEMP DATA REJECTED
090	05A	ATC WIND DATA REJECTED
091	05B	COMPANY DESCENT FORECAST DATA ACCEPTED
092	05C	ATC DESCENT FORECAST DATA ACCEPTED
093	05D	COMPANY DESCENT FORECAST DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
094	05E	ATC DESCENT FORECAST DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
095	05F	COMPANY DESCENT FORECAST DATA REJECTED
096	060	ATC DESCENT FORECAST DATA REJECTED
097	061	COMPANY PERF INIT DATA ACCEPTED
098	062	ATC PERF INIT DATA ACCEPTED
099	063	COMPANY PERF INIT DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
100	064	ATC PERF INIT DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
101	065	COMPANY PERF INIT DATA REJECTED
102	066	ATC PERF INIT DATA REJECTED
103	067	COMPANY PERF LIMIT DATA ACCEPTED
104	068	ATC PERF LIMIT DATA ACCEPTED
105	069	COMPANY PERF LIMIT DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
106	06A	ATC PERF LIMIT DATA ACCEPTED WITH EDIT
107	06B	COMPANY PERF LIMIT DATA REJECTED
108	06C	ATC PERF LIMIT DATA REJECTED
109	06D	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
110	06E	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
111	06F	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
112	070	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
113	071	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
114	072	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
115	073	UPLINK REQUESTING A DOWNLINK
116	074	TIME TO TOP OF DESCENT 1
117	075	TIME TO TOP OF DESCENT 2
118	076	TIME TO TOP OF DESCENT 3
119	077	TIME TO TOP OF DESCENT 4
120	078	TIME TO TOP OF DESCENT 5
121-200	079-0C8	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (B-737)
201-300	0C9-12C	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (BOEING AIRCRAFT)
301	12D	MULTI-LEVEL WIND TEMP DATA ACCEPTED
302	12E	MULTI-LEVEL WIND TEMP DATA REJECTED
303-400	12F-190	RESERVED FOR DEFINITION (AIRBUS AIRCRAFT)

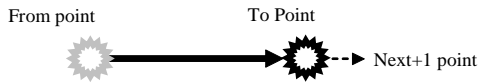
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CODING EXAMPLES OF TRAJECTORY INTENT DATA FILES

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**EXAMPLE 1**

**Line to Point (Straight), No Vertical Change**



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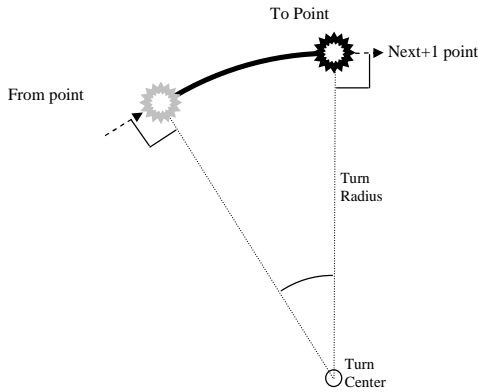
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**EXAMPLE 2**

**Arc to Point (Curve), No Vertical Change**



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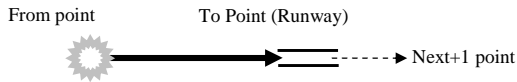
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Full Word 00	Valid x	Point CAS xxxx xxxx xxx0 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Valid x	Point Wind Speed xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Point True Wind Direction x xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000					Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Turn Radius x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 0000					Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Turn Center Latitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00					Active Intent 10011010
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**EXAMPLE 3**

**Line to Runway**



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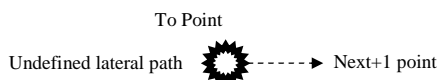
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Full Word 00	Valid x	Point CAS xxxx xxxx xxx0 0000 0000			Active Intent 10011010	
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**EXAMPLE 4**

**Lateral Discontinuity to Point**



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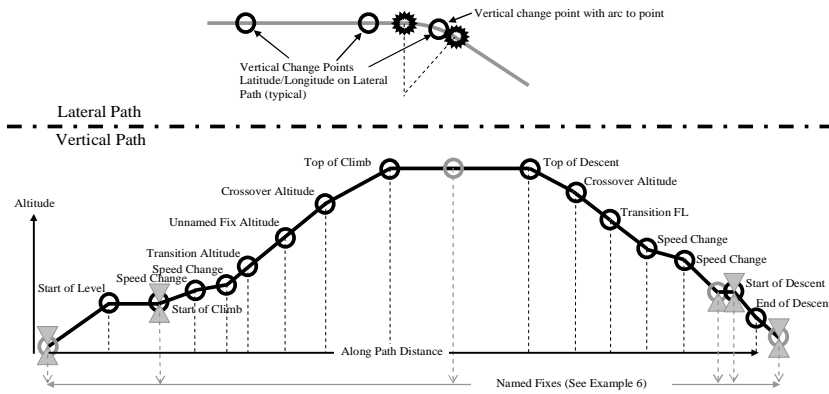
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Full Word 00	Point Altitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
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Full Word 00	Point True Wind Direction x xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010	

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**EXAMPLE 5**

**Various Vertical Change Points**



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Full Word 00	Point Altitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Point ETA				Active Intent 10011010	
	Valid x	Hours xxxxx	Minutes xxxxxx	Seconds xxxxxx	UTC/Pad x00	
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Full Word 00	Valid x	Point CAS xxxx xxxx xxx0 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Valid x	Point Wind Speed xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Point True Wind Direction x xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word*	Turn Radius x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 0000				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word*	Turn Center Latitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
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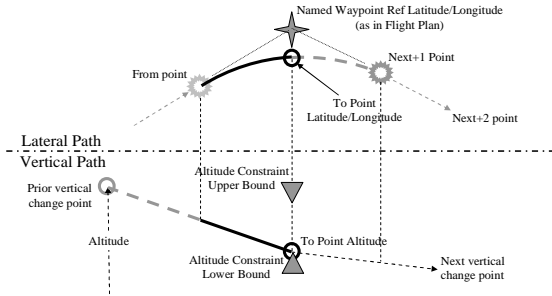
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**EXAMPLE 6**

**Arc to Named Fix (Fly-by Waypoint with Turn and Altitude Constraint)**



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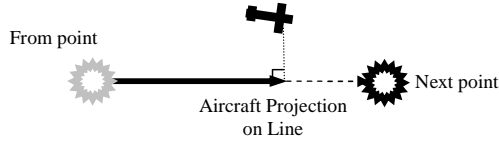
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Full Word 00	Point Altitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
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Full Word 00	Valid x	Point CAS xxxx xxxx xxx0 0000 0000			Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Valid x	Point Wind Speed xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000			Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Point True Wind Direction x xxxx xxxx 0000 0000 0000				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Point Name xxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Point Name xxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx				Active Intent 10011010	
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Full Word 00	Named Point Ref Latitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Named Point Ref Longitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Altitude Constraint Lower Bound x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Altitude Constraint Upper Bound x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00				Active Intent 10011010	
Full Word 00	Turn Radius x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 0000				Active Intent 10011010	

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Full Word 00	Turn Center Latitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00	Active Intent 10011010
Full Word 00	Turn Center Longitude x xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx 00	Active Intent 10011010

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**EXAMPLE 7  
Line to Aircraft Projection, No Vertical Change**



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- 5709 ~~3-4.~~ [ARINC Specification 600: Air Transport Avionics Equipment Interfaces](#)
- 5710 ~~4-5.~~ [ARINC Report 604: Guidance for Design and Use of Built-In Test Equipment \(BITE\)](#)
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**APPENDIX BB**  
**ACRONYMS**

5802 **APPENDIX B ACRONYMS**

5803	<del>AAC</del>	<del>Aeronautical Administrative Control</del>
5804	<del>AAC</del>	<del>Airline Administrative Communication</del>
5805	ACARS	Aircraft Communications Addressing and Reporting System
5806	ACK	Acknowledgement
5807	ADC	Air Data Computer
5808	ADIRS	Air Data/Inertial Reference System
5809	ADIRU	Air Data/Inertial Reference Unit
5810	ADS	Automatic Dependent Surveillance
5811	ADS-B	Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast
5812	<del>ADS-C</del>	<del>Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Contract</del>
5813	AEEC	Airlines Electronic Engineering Committee
5814	AF	Arc to a Fix
5815	AFM	Airplane Flight Manual
5816	AFN	ATS Facilities Notification
5817	<del>AFCS</del>	<del>Auto Flight Control System</del>
5818	AHRS	Altitude Heading Reference System
5819	AMI	Airline Modifiable Information
5820	ANP	Actual Navigation Performance
5821	AOC	Airline Operational Communication
5822	APM	Airplane Personality Module
5823	<del>APC</del>	<del>Airline Passenger Communication</del>
5824	ASAS	Aircraft Separation Assurance System
5825	ATC	Air Traffic Control
5826	<del>ATIS</del>	<del>Automatic Terminal Information Service</del>
5827	ATM	Air Traffic Management
5828	ATN	Aeronautical Telecommunication Network
5829	<del>ATS</del>	<del>Air Traffic Services</del>
5830	ATO	Along Track Offset
5831	ATS	Air Traffic Services
5832	BITE	Built-In Test Equipment
5833	BP	Bottom Plug
5834	CAS	Computed Air Speed
5835	<del>CDTI</del>	<del>Cockpit Display of Traffic Information</del>
5836	<del>CDA</del>	<del>Continuous Descent Approach</del>
5837	<del>CDO</del>	<del>Continuous Descent Operation</del>
5838	CDU	Control Display Unit
5839	CF	Course to a Fix
5840	CMU	Communications Management Unit
5841	CNS	Communications, Navigation and Surveillance

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5842	CPDLC	Controller/Pilot Data Link Communication
5843	CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check
5844	CTS	Clear to Send
5845	<a href="#">DA</a>	<a href="#">Decision Altitude</a>
5846	<a href="#">DG</a>	<a href="#">Directional Gyro</a>
5847	<a href="#">DGNSS</a>	<a href="#">Differential Global Navigation Satellite System</a>
5848	DITS	Digital Information Transfer System
5849	DLIC	Data Link Initiation of Communications
5850	DME	Distance Measurement Equipment
5851	EFIS	Electronic Flight Information System
5852	EIS	Electronic Information System
5853	ELAN	Ethernet Local Area Network
5854	<a href="#">EMD</a>	<a href="#">Electronic Map Display</a>
5855	EPU	Estimated Position Uncertainty
5856	ETA	Estimated Time of Arrival
5857	<a href="#">ETE</a>	<a href="#">End-to-End Estimated Time Enroute</a>
5858	ETOPS	Extended-range Twin-engine Operations
5859	EUROCAE	European Organization for Civil Aviation Electronics
5860	<a href="#">FAF</a>	<a href="#">Final Approach Fix</a>
5861	FANS	Future Air Navigation System
5862	<a href="#">FAS</a>	<a href="#">Final Approach Segment</a>
5863	<a href="#">FASDM</a>	<a href="#">Final Approach Segment Data Message</a>
5864	FCOM	Flight Crew Operations Manual
5865	<a href="#">FEP</a>	<a href="#">Final End Point</a>
5866	FIR	Flight Information Region
5867	<a href="#">FIS</a>	<a href="#">Flight Information Services</a>
5868	<a href="#">FLS</a>	<a href="#">FMS-based Landing System</a>
5869	FMC	Flight Management Computer
5870	FMCS	Flight Management Computer System
5871	FMF	Flight Management Function
5872	FMS	Flight Management System
5873	<a href="#">FRT</a>	<a href="#">Fixed Radius Transition</a>
5874	<a href="#">GBAS</a>	<a href="#">Ground Based Augmentation System</a>
5875	<a href="#">GFI</a>	<a href="#">General Format Identifier</a>
5876	<a href="#">GIU</a>	<a href="#">Gatelink Interface Unit</a>
5877	GLS	GNSS-based Landing System
5878	<a href="#">GLSSU</a>	<a href="#">GPS/SBAS Landing System Sensor Unit</a>
5879	<a href="#">GLU</a>	<a href="#">GNSS-based Landing Unit</a>
5880	GNLU	GNSS-based Navigation and Landing Unit
5881	GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
5882	GNSSU	Global Navigation Satellite System Unit

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5883	GPS	Global Positioning System
5884	HSI	Horizontal Situation Indicator
5885	<a href="#">IAF</a>	<a href="#">Initial Approach Fix</a>
5886	ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
5887	<a href="#">IF</a>	<a href="#">Initial Fix</a>
5888	IFR	Instrument Flight Rules
5889	IGS	Instrument Guidance System
5890	ILS	Instrument Landing System
5891	<a href="#">IMC</a>	<a href="#">Instrument Meteorological Conditions</a>
5892	IMI	Imbedded Message Identifier
5893	IPC	Illustrated Parts Catalog
5894	IRS	Inertial Reference System
5895	IRU	Inertial Reference Unit
5896	ISA	International Standard Atmosphere
5897	<a href="#">LAAS</a>	<a href="#">Local Area Augmentation System</a>
5898	LDA	Localizer Directional Aid
5899	LDU	Link Data Unit
5900	LNAV	Lateral Navigation
5901	LOC	Localizer
5902	<a href="#">LOS</a>	<a href="#">Line of Sight</a>
5903	<a href="#">LP</a>	<a href="#">Localizer Performance</a>
5904	<a href="#">LPV</a>	<a href="#">Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance</a>
5905	LRC	Long Range Cruise
5906	LRU	Line Replaceable Unit
5907	LSB	Least Significant Bit
5908	<a href="#">LTP</a>	<a href="#">Landing Threshold Point</a>
5909	<a href="#">MAHP</a>	<a href="#">Missed Approach Holding Point</a>
5910	<a href="#">MAP</a>	<a href="#">Missed Approach Decision Point</a>
5911	MASPS	Minimum Airborne System Performance Standards
5912	MCDU	Multi-Purpose Control Display Unit
5913	MCU	Modular Concept Unit
5914	<a href="#">MDA</a>	<a href="#">Minimum Decision Altitude</a>
5915	<a href="#">MDH</a>	<a href="#">Minimum Decision Height</a>
5916	MEA	Minimum Enroute IFR Altitude
5917	MLS	Microwave Landing System
5918	<a href="#">MMO</a>	<a href="#">Maximum Operating Mach</a>
5919	MMR	Multi-Mode <del>Landing System</del> Receiver
5920	MOCA	Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude
5921	<a href="#">MOPS</a>	<a href="#">Minimum Operational Performance Standards</a>
5922	MORA	Minimum Off-Route Altitude
5923	MP	Middle Plug

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5924	MSB	Most Significant Bit
5925	MTBF	Mean Time Between Failure
5926	MTBUR	Mean Time Between Unit Removal
5927	MU	Management Unit
5928	NAK	Negative Acknowledgement
5929	ND	Navigational Display
5930	NDB	Non-Directional Beacon or Navigation Data Base
5931	NFF	No Fault Found
5932	<del>NOTAM</del>	<del>Notice to Airmen</del>
5933	<del>NUC</del>	<del>Navigation Uncertainty Category</del>
5934	<del>OCM</del>	<del>Oceanic Clearance Message</del>
5935	PBD	Point Bearing/Distance
5936	<del>PBN</del>	<del>Performance-Based Navigation</del>
5937	PDC	Predeparture Clearance
5938	<del>PDMV</del>	<del>Procedure Design Magnetic Variation</del>
5939	PFD	Primary Flight Display
5940	PVT	Position Velocity and Time
5941	QFE*	Local station barometric pressure setting which provides an altimeter reading of indicated altitude of the airplane above the station
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5943	QNH*	Local station barometric pressure setting which provides an altimeter reading of indicated altitude of the airplane above mean sea level
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5945	RAIM	Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring
5946	<del>RCP</del>	<del>Required Communications Performance</del>
5947	RF	Constant Radius Arc to a Fix
5948	<del>RMP</del>	<del>Required Monitoring Performance</del>
5949	RNAV	Area Navigation
5950	RNP	Required Navigation Performance
5951	RTA	Required Time of Arrival
5952	RTS	Request to Send
5953	RVSM	Reduced Vertical Separation Minima
5954	SARPS	Standards and Recommended Practices
5955	<del>SATCOM</del>	<del>Satellite Communication</del>
5956	<del>SBAS</del>	<del>Satellite Based Augmentation System</del>
5957	<del>SCAT</del>	<del>Special Category</del>
5958	SDI	Source Destination Identifier
5959	<del>SICASP</del>	<del>SSR Improvements and Collision Avoidance Systems Panel</del>
5960	SID	Standard Instrument Departure
5961	<del>SITA</del>	<del>Societe Internationale de Telecommunications Aeronautique</del>
5962	<del>SMGCS</del>	<del>Surface Movement Guidance and Control System</del>
5963	STAR	Standard Terminal Arrival Route
5964	SUA	Special Use Airspace

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5965	TACAN	Tactical Air Navigation System
5966	TAWS	Terrain Awareness and Warning System
5967	TCC	Thrust Control Computer
5968	<del>TCP</del>	<del>Trajectory Change Point</del>
5969	<del>TDMA</del>	<del>Time Division Multiple Access</del>
5970	<del>TOAC</del>	<del>Time of Arrival Control</del>
5971	TP	Top Plug
5972	<del>TTE</del>	<del>Total Time Error</del>
5973	<del>TWIP</del>	<del>Terminal/Enroute Weather Information for Pilots</del>
5974	UIR	Upper Flight Information Region
5975	UTC	Universal Time Coordinated
5976	VFR	Visual Flight Rules
5977	<del>VG</del>	<del>Vertical Gyre</del>
5978	<del>VMC</del>	<del>Visual Meteorological Conditions</del>
5979	<del>VMO</del>	<del>Maximum Operating Speed</del>
5980	<del>VNAV</del>	<del>Vertical Navigation</del>
5981	VOR	VHF Omni-Range Navigation
5982	VORTAC	Co-Located VOR and TACAN
5983	<del>VSD</del>	<del>Vertical Situation Display</del>
5984	<del>WAAS</del>	<del>Wide Area Augmentation System</del>
5985	WBS	Weight and Balance System

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- 5987 **ACARS – Aircraft Communications Addressing and Reporting System:**  
 5988 A digital datalink network providing connectivity between aircraft and ground end  
 5989 systems (command and control, air traffic control, etc.).
- 5990 **Accuracy – For Navigation:**  
 5991 The degree of conformance between calculated position and true position.
- 5992 **Accuracy – For Navigation Data:**  
 5993 The degree of conformance between estimated or measured value and its true  
 5994 value.
- 5995 **Actual Time of Arrival (ATA)**  
 5996 The time at which the aircraft crosses a fix.
- 5997 **ADS-B – Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast:**  
 5998 A vehicle or object will broadcast a message on a set regular basis which includes  
 5999 its position (such as lat, long, altitude), velocity, and possibly other information.  
 6000 These position reports are based on accurate navigation systems. There are three  
 6001 accepted links, ADS-B: 1090 Extended Squitter (see also 1090 Extended Squitter),  
 6002 Universal Access Transceiver (see also UAT), and VDL-4 (see also VDL-4). Military  
 6003 aircraft will use 1090 ES with few exceptions.
- 6004 **ADS-C – Automatic Dependant Surveillance-Contract:**  
 6005 ADS-C is the same as ADS-A. Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Addressed is a  
 6006 datalink application that provides for contracted services between ground systems  
 6007 and aircraft. Contracts are established such that the aircraft will automatically  
 6008 provide information obtained from its own on-board sensors, and pass this  
 6009 information to the ground system under specific circumstances dictated by the  
 6010 ground system (except in emergencies).
- 6011 **Airway**  
 6012 A control area or portion thereof established in the form of a corridor equipped with  
 6013 radio navigation aids.
- 6014 **Altitude**  
 6015 The vertical distance of a level, a point or an object considered as a point,  
 6016 measured from mean sea level (MSL).
- 6017 **AOC – Airline Operational Control (Aeronautical Operational Control):**  
 6018 Operational messages used between aircraft and airline dispatch centers or, by  
 6019 extension, the DoD to support flight operations. This includes, but is not limited to,  
 6020 flight planning, flight following, and the distribution of information to flights and  
 6021 affected personnel.
- 6022 **APV – Approach Procedure with Vertical Guidance:**

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6023 A non-precision approach using GPS that has some vertical guidance. This vertical  
6024 guidance is less precise than that for a precision approach (e.g., ILS) and therefore  
6025 the approach minimums (weather, ceiling, and visibility) are higher.

6026 **Area Navigation (RNAV)**

6027 A method of navigation which permits aircraft operation on any desired flight path  
6028 within the coverage of station-referenced navigation aids or within the limits of the  
6029 capability of self-contained aids, or a combination of these. Note that the desired  
6030 path can be designated by any point(s) in a common reference coordinate system.

6031 **ATN – Aeronautical Telecommunications Network:**

6032 An internetwork architecture that allows ground/ground, air/ground, and avionic data  
6033 subnetworks to interoperate by using common interface services and protocols  
6034 based on the ISO OSI Reference Model.

6035 **ATSU – Air Traffic Services Unit:**

6036 A unit established for the purpose of receiving reports concerning air traffic services  
6037 and flight plans submitted before departure. It is a generic term meaning air traffic  
6038 control unit, flight information center, or air traffic service reporting office.

6039 **Availability – For Navigation:**

6040 It is the percentage of the time that the required accuracy and integrity are useable  
6041 to meet a specified flight phase.

6042 **Bearing**

6043 The horizontal direction to or from any point, usually measured clockwise from true  
6044 north, magnetic north, or some other reference point, through 360 degrees.

6045 **CDTI – Cockpit Display of Traffic Information:**

6046 Avionics technology that displays the relative location of nearby aircraft to enhance  
6047 the pilot's awareness of the surrounding environment.

6048 **CMU – Communication Management Unit:**

6049 The CMU performs two important functions: it manages access to the various  
6050 datalink sub-networks and services available to the aircraft and hosts various  
6051 applications related to datalink. It also interfaces to the flight management system  
6052 (FMS) and to the crew displays.

6053 **CNS/ATM – Communication, Navigation, Surveillance/Air Traffic Management:**

6054 CNS/ATM is a system based on digital technologies, satellite systems, and  
6055 enhanced automation to achieve a seamless global Air Traffic Management in the  
6056 future. Modern CNS systems will eliminate or reduce a variety of constraints  
6057 imposed on ATM operations today.

6058 **Containment**

6059 A set of interrelated parameters used to define the performance of an RNP RNAV  
6060 navigation system. These parameters are containment integrity, containment  
6061 continuity, and containment region.



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6062	<b><u>Continuity</u></b>
6063	<u>The continuity of a system is the capability of the total system (comprising all</u>
6064	<u>elements necessary to maintain aircraft position within the defined airspace) to</u>
6065	<u>perform its function without nonscheduled interruptions during the intended</u>
6066	<u>operation. The continuity risk is the probability that the system will be unintentionally</u>
6067	<u>interrupted and not provide guidance information for the intended operation. More</u>
6068	<u>specifically, continuity is the probability that the system will be available for the</u>
6069	<u>duration of a phase of operation, presuming that the system was available at the</u>
6070	<u>beginning of that phase of operation. See the definition of containment continuity for</u>
6071	<u>how this parameter applies to RNP airspace.</u>
6072	<b><u>Coordinates</u></b>
6073	<u>The intersection of lines of reference, usually expressed in degrees / minutes /</u>
6074	<u>seconds of latitude and longitude, used to determine a position or location.</u>
6075	<b><u>Course</u></b>
6076	<u>1. The intended direction of flight in the horizontal plane measured in</u>
6077	<u>degrees from north.</u>
6078	<u>2. The ILS localizer signal pattern usually specified as the front course or</u>
6079	<u>the back course.</u>
6080	<u>3. The intended track along a straight, curved, or segmented MLS path.</u>
6081	<b><u>CPDLC – Controller-Pilot Data Link Communications:</u></b>
6082	<u>The CPDLC application provides for the exchange of flight planning, clearance, and</u>
6083	<u>informational data between a flight crew and air traffic control. This application</u>
6084	<u>supplements voice communications and in some areas will likely supersede it in the</u>
6085	<u>future.</u>
6086	<b><u>Cross-Track Containment Limit</u></b>
6087	<u>A distance that defines the one-dimensional containment limit in the cross-track</u>
6088	<u>dimension. The resulting containment region is centered upon the desired path and</u>
6089	<u>is bounded by +/- the cross-track containment limit. There is a required cross-track</u>
6090	<u>containment limit associated with a particular RNP.</u>
6091	<b><u>Cross-Track Error</u></b>
6092	<u>The perpendicular deviation that the airplane is to the left or right of the desired</u>
6093	<u>path. This error is equal to the cross-track component of the total system error.</u>
6094	<b><u>Curvilinear Optimum Path</u></b>
6095	<u>A vertical flight path composed of multiple straight segments that enable improved</u>
6096	<u>flight efficiency through the specification of a path optimized for aircraft</u>
6097	<u>performance.</u>
6098	<b><u>Defined Path</u></b>
6099	<u>The output of the FMS' path definition function.</u>
6100	<b><u>Desired Path</u></b>

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6|01 The path that the flight crew and air traffic control can expect the aircraft to fly, given  
6|02 a particular route leg or transition.

6|03 **Direct**

6|04 Geodesic track between two navigational aids, fixes, points or any combination  
6|05 thereof. When used by pilots in describing off-airway routes, points defining direct  
6|06 route segments become compulsory reporting points unless the aircraft is under  
6|07 radar contact.

6|08 **Distance-To-Go**

6|09 The distance between the aircraft present position and the waypoint to which the  
6|10 aircraft is flying. In the case of an aircraft flying a parallel offset, the distance-to-go is  
6|11 measured to the offset reference point.

6|12 **EFIS – Electronic Flight Instrumentation System:**

6|13 Digital display that combines aircraft attitude and performance data from different  
6|14 sources on a single display.

6|15 **EGNOS – European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service:**

6|16 Europe's SBAS implementation (see also SBAS).

6|17 **Estimate of Position Uncertainty (EPU)**

6|18 A measure based on a defined scale in nautical miles or kilometers which conveys  
6|19 the current position estimation performance.

6|20 **Estimated Position**

6|21 The output of the FMS' position estimation function.

6|22 **Estimated Time of Arrival**

6|23 The time at which the FMS predicts that a fix will be crossed.

6|24 **FANS-1/A – Future Aircraft Navigation System 1/A:**

6|25 A set of operational capabilities centered around direct datalink communications  
6|26 between the flight crew and air traffic control. Operators benefit from FANS-1/A in  
6|27 oceanic and remote airspace around the world.

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6129 6130 6131	<b><u>Fix</u></b> <u>A fix is a generic name for a geographical position. A fix is referred to as a fix, waypoint, intersection, reporting point, etc.</u>
6132 6133 6134 6135	<b><u>Flight Level (FL)</u></b> <u>A surface of constant atmospheric pressure which is related to a specific pressure datum, 1013.2 hPa and is separated from other surfaces by specific pressure intervals.</u>
6136 6137 6138 6139	<b><u>Flight Path Angle</u></b> <u>The angular displacement of the vertical flight path from a horizontal plane that passes through a reference datum point. The specified angle is from the TO fix or reference datum point.</u>
6140 6141 6142 6143	<b><u>Flight Technical Error (FTE)</u></b> <u>The accuracy with which the aircraft is controlled as measured by the indicated aircraft position with respect to the indicated command or desired position. It does not include blunder errors.</u>
6144 6145 6146 6147 6148 6149	<b><u>FMF – Flight Management Function:</u></b> <u>A collection of processes or applications that facilitates area navigation (RNAV) and related functions to be executed during all phases of flight. The FMF is resident in an avionics computer and automates navigational functions reducing flight crew workload particularly during instrument meteorological conditions. The Flight Management System encompasses the FMF.</u>
6150 6151 6152 6153 6154 6155 6156 6157	<b><u>FMS – Flight Management System:</u></b> <u>A computer system that uses a large database to allow routes to be preprogrammed and fed into the system by a means of a data loader. The system is constantly updated with respect to position by reference to designated sensors. The sophisticated program and its associated database insure that the most appropriate aids are automatically selected during the information update cycle. The flight management system is interfaced/coupled to cockpit displays to provide the flight crew situational awareness and/or an autopilot.</u>
6158 6159 6160 6161 6162	<b><u>GBAS – Ground-Based Augmentation System:</u></b> <u>The ICAO defines GBAS as a system that augments ground systems (typically at an airport) with equipment similar in functionality to a GPS satellite. This augmentation allows an aircraft to determine its vertical/lateral position to very great accuracy. The ultimate goal is CAT IIIC operation. The US LAAS is a GBAS.</u>
6163 6164 6165 6166 6167 6168 6169 6170	<b><u>Geodesic Line</u></b> <u>A line of shortest distance between any two points on a mathematically defined surface. A geodesic line is a line of double curvature and usually lies between the two normal section lines which the two points determine. If the two terminal points are nearly in the same latitude, the geodesic line may cross one of the normal section lines. It should be noted that, except along the equator and along the meridians, the geodesic line is not a plane curve and cannot be sighted over directly.</u>

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6171	<b><u>Geometric Path</u></b>
6172	<u>A vertical flight path defined by a straight line between two points or based upon a</u>
6173	<u>specified flight path angle from a reference datum point.</u>
6174	<b><u>GLS – GNSS Landing System:</u></b>
6175	<u>A safety-critical system consisting of the hardware and software that augments the</u>
6176	<u>GPS SPS to provide for precision approach and landing capability (much like the</u>
6177	<u>ground-based ILS does now). The positioning service provided by GPS is</u>
6178	<u>insufficient to meet the integrity, continuity, accuracy, and availability demands of</u>
6179	<u>precision approach and landing navigation. The GLS augments the basic GPS</u>
6180	<u>position data in order to meet these requirements. These augmentations are based</u>
6181	<u>on differential GPS concepts.</u>
6182	<b><u>GNSS – Global Navigation Satellite System:</u></b>
6183	<u>GNSS is the ICAO recognized term for space-based navigation systems that</u>
6184	<u>provide en route/terminal navigation with non-precision approach and precision</u>
6185	<u>approach capabilities. The US system is GPS.</u>
6186	<b><u>GPS – Global Positioning System:</u></b>
6187	<u>A minimum of 24 satellite constellation in six orbits 11,000 miles above the earth.</u>
6188	<u>Positioned so that users can receive signals from six satellites nearly 100% of the</u>
6189	<u>time at any point on Earth. Developed by DoD primarily for military purposes. When</u>
6190	<u>receiving signals from at least four satellites, a GPS receiver can determine latitude,</u>
6191	<u>longitude, altitude and time. Without RAIM (see also RAIM) and FDE (see also</u>
6192	<u>FDE), the user cannot be certain that GPS meets the accuracy, availability, and</u>
6193	<u>integrity requirements critical to safety of flight.</u>
6194	<b><u>Heading</u></b>
6195	<u>The direction in which the longitudinal axis of an aircraft is pointed, usually</u>
6196	<u>expressed in degrees from North (true, magnetic, compass or grid).</u>
6197	<b><u>Holding Procedure</u></b>
6198	<u>A predetermined maneuver which keeps an aircraft within specified a airspace while</u>
6199	<u>awaiting further clearance.</u>
6200	<b><u>Host Track/Route</u></b>
6201	<u>The track or route defined by the waypoints in the active flight plan.</u>
6202	<b><u>Integrity – For Navigation:</u></b>
6203	<u>Ability of a system to provide timely warnings or shut itself down when it shouldn't</u>
6204	<u>be used for navigation.</u>
6205	<b><u>IRS – Inertial Reference System:</u></b>
6206	<u>Uses laser gyros vice an INS' accelerometers placed on gyro-stabilized platforms.</u>
6207	<b><u>LINK 2000+ – The EUROCONTROL LINK 2000+ Program:</u></b>
6208	<u>Packages a first set of en-route controller-pilot data-link-communication (CPDLC)</u>
6209	<u>services into a set for implementation in the European Airspace using the ATN and</u>
6210	<u>VDL Mode 2 (Aeronautical Telecommunication Network and VHF Digital Link).</u>

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6211 6212 6213 6214	<p><b><u>Leg</u></b>  <u>A leg is a segment of the flight plan consisting of a path type (e.g., Track, Course, Heading) and a termination type (e.g., fix, altitude). In an RNP environment, a leg is typically a path over the earth terminating at a fixed waypoint.</u></p>
6215 6216 6217 6218 6219	<p><b><u>LNAV – Lateral Navigation:</u></b>  <u>The terminology for a DME/DME or GPS approach where lateral guidance is being provided along a designated course. LNAV incorporates RNP requirements, generally RNP 0.3 accuracy, and all monitoring, alerting, integrity and continuity limits for the navigation system and aircraft.</u></p>
6220 6221 6222 6223 6224	<p><b><u>Magnetic Variation</u></b>  <u>The angle between the magnetic and geographic meridians at any place, expressed in degrees and minutes east or west to indicate the direction of magnetic north from true north. The angle between magnetic and grid meridians is called grid magnetic angle, or grivation. Also called magnetic declination.</u></p>
6225 6226 6227	<p><b><u>MASPS – Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards:</u></b>  <u>High level documents produced by RTCA that establish minimum system performance characteristics.</u></p>
6228 6229 6230	<p><b><u>MMR – Multi-Mode Receiver:</u></b>  <u>Contains Instrument Landing System, ILS Marker Beacon, VOR, Microwave Landing System, and GPS functions.</u></p>
6231 6232 6233 6234	<p><b><u>Multi-Sensor Navigation</u></b>  <u>Where aircraft position is determined using data derived from two or more independent sensors, each of which is useable (i.e., meets required navigation performance including accuracy, availability and integrity) for airborne navigation.</u></p>
6235 6236 6237 6238 6239 6240	<p><b><u>MOPS – Minimum Operational Performance Standards:</u></b>  <u>Standards produced by RTCA that describe typical equipment applications and operational goals and establish the basis for required performance. Definitions and assumptions essential to proper understanding are included as well as installed equipment tests and operational performance characteristics for equipment installations. MOPS are often used by the FAA as a basis for certification.</u></p>
6241 6242	<p><b><u>Nautical Mile (Nm)</u></b>  <u>The length equal to 1,852 meters exactly.</u></p>
6243 6244 6245 6246 6247	<p><b><u>Navigation Performance Accuracy</u></b>  <u>Total navigation accuracy based on the combination of the navigation sensor error, airborne receiver error, path definition error and flight technical error. Also called system use accuracy. This performance accuracy is the uncertainty of the horizontal total system error.</u></p>
6248	<p><b><u>NOTAM</u></b></p>

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6249 A notice containing information concerning the establishment, condition or change  
6250 in any aeronautical facility, service, procedure or hazard, the timely knowledge of  
6251 which is essential to personnel concerned with flight operations.

6252 **Offset Distance**

6253 The lateral distance, measured in nautical miles left or right, that the offset track  
6254 center line is offset from the host track centerline.

6255 **Offset Track/Route**

6256 The track or route that describes a flight path that is offset from the host track as  
6257 defined by the waypoints in the active flight plan. The offset track/route is defined by  
6258 the offset reference point computed by the navigation system.

6259 **Offset Reference Point**

6260 The computed offset reference point is located on the line that bisects the track  
6261 angle between route segments. The location of the offset reference point for each  
6262 waypoint of the host track/route is computed by the navigation system so that it lies  
6263 on the intersection of the lines drawn parallel to the host track/route at the desired  
6264 offset distance and the line that bisects the track change angle.

6265 **Parallel Offset**

6266 The parallel offset path is defined by one or more offset reference points computed  
6267 by the navigation system that comprise the active flight plan. The magnitude of the  
6268 offset is defined by the offset distance.

6269 **Path Definition Error**

6270 The difference between the defined path and the desired path at a specific point  
6271 and time.

6272 **Path Steering Error (PSE)**

6273 This error is determined by the difference between the defined path and the  
6274 estimated position. The PSE includes both FTE and display error (e.g., CDI  
6275 centering error).

6276 **PBN – Performance Based Navigation:**

6277 PBN is a concept based on the use of Area Navigation (RNAV) systems that  
6278 defines required performance in terms of accuracy, integrity, continuity and  
6279 availability. The defined performance includes descriptions of how this capability is  
6280 to be achieved in terms of aircraft and crew requirements. The general capabilities  
6281 are defined in International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Doc 9613,  
6282 Performance Based Navigation Manual Implementation Guidance for National  
6283 Airspace System (NAS) through Federal Aviation Administration Advisory Circulars.

6284 **Position Estimation Error**

6285 The difference between true position and estimated position

6286 **Position Uncertainty**

6287 A measure that bounds the magnitude of an unknown position estimation error at a  
6288 specific confidence level (e.g. 95%)

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6289	<b><u>P-RAIM – Predictive RAIM:</u></b>
6290	<u>Determines RAIM availability for the ETA at the destination airport. While en route</u>
6291	<u>to the destination, predictive RAIM is automatically revised as the receiver</u>
6292	<u>continually calculates a new ETA. It's critical to understand that just because the</u>
6293	<u>receiver predicts RAIM will be available at the destination, it doesn't <i>guarantee</i> there</u>
6294	<u>will be sufficient satellite coverage on arrival, only that the receiver expects to have</u>
6295	<u>sufficient coverage to calculate RAIM. It's possible, for example, that a satellite</u>
6296	<u>could go unhealthy while en route. R signals from satellites low on the horizon could</u>
6297	<u>be masked by terrain (the receiver's RAIM function has no way of knowing about</u>
6298	<u>terrain masking). P-RAIM does not have to reside in the GPS receiver. It can be</u>
6299	<u>provided by FAA Flight Service (US NAS only) and other ground-based RAIM</u>
6300	<u>algorithms.</u>
6301	<b><u>RAIM – Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring:</u></b>
6302	<u>RAIM is a two-step process. First, the receiver has to determine if five or more</u>
6303	<u>working satellites are above the horizon and in the proper geometry to make RAIM</u>
6304	<u>available. Second, it must determine if the RAIM algorithm indicates a potential</u>
6305	<u>navigation error, based upon the range solutions from those satellites. In other</u>
6306	<u>words, when the receiver indicates a "RAIM-not-available" alarm, it's saying, "there</u>
6307	<u>may/may not be something wrong with the GPS navigation solution, but I do not</u>
6308	<u>have enough satellite information to know for sure." If it indicates a "RAIM error"</u>
6309	<u>alarm, it is saying, "I have enough satellites available and there is something wrong</u>
6310	<u>with one of them and the GPS navigation solution in general." Flight in some civil</u>
6311	<u>airspace requires RAIM and FDE (see also FDE).</u>
6312	<b><u>RNAV – Area Navigation:</u></b>
6313	<u>Rather than fly established airways from one ground navigation aid to another (that</u>
6314	<u>possibly results in an inefficient "zigzag" route), RNAV ability allows a flight to go</u>
6315	<u>directly from departure to destination using virtual waypoints in space ("ghost"</u>
6316	<u>NAVAIDS, as it were).</u>
6317	<b><u>RNP – Required Navigation Performance:</u></b>
6318	<u>Prescribes the RNAV system performance necessary for operation in a specified</u>
6319	<u>airspace, based on its required accuracy (RNP value). The basic accuracy</u>
6320	<u>requirement for RNP-X airspace is for the aircraft to remain within X nautical miles</u>
6321	<u>of the cleared position for 95% of the time in RNP airspace. Note that there are</u>
6322	<u>additional requirements, beyond accuracy, applied to a particular RNP type.</u>
6323	<b><u>RNP Airspace</u></b>
6324	<u>Generic term referring to airspace, route(s), leg(s), where minimum navigation</u>
6325	<u>performance requirements (RNP) have been established and aircraft must meet or</u>
6326	<u>exceed that performance to fly in that airspace.</u>
6327	<b><u>RNP-AR – RNP Authorization Required</u></b>
6328	<u>Special authorization to conduct RNP approaches/missed approaches designated</u>
6329	<u>as such. Operators can be authorized for any subset of these characteristics: (1)</u>
6330	<u>ability to fly a published arc (also referred to as a RF leg); (2) reduced lateral</u>
6331	<u>obstacle evaluation area on the missed approach (also referred to as a missed</u>
6332	<u>approach requiring RNP less than 1.0). RNP AR is designated for approaches</u>

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6333 where the final approach segment procedure requires RNP values less than 0.3  
6334 NM.

6335 **RNP-RNAV – RNP Area Navigation:**

6336 A method of area navigation that includes the concept of navigation performance  
6337 (RNP), area navigation (RNAV) and the elements of containment integrity and  
6338 containment continuity.

6339 **SARPS – Standards and Recommended Practices:**

6340 Produced by ICAO, they become the international standards for member states. As  
6341 the name implies, they are only “recommended” practices. It is up to each member  
6342 states to decide how/if to implement them.

6343 **SBAS – Satellite Based Augmentation System:**

6344 A complex infrastructure of ground-based monitors and control centers that  
6345 augments the satellite-based position measurement system to meet accuracy,  
6346 availability, and integrity requirements for navigation systems. The WAAS in the US,  
6347 the EGNOS in the Europe, and the MSAS in Japan are examples of an SBAS.

6348 **SESAR – Single European Sky ATM Research:**

6349 European air traffic control infrastructure modernization program. SESAR aims at  
6350 developing the new generation ATM system capable of ensuring the safety and  
6351 fluidity of air transport worldwide over the next 30 years.

6352 **TAWS – Terrain Awareness Warning System:**

6353 Generic term for systems, including EGPWS (see also EGPWS), that provide  
6354 situational awareness relative to Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT) and protection  
6355 by providing three functions : Forward-Looking Terrain-Avoidance (FLTA),  
6356 Premature Decent Alert (PDA) and Ground Proximity Warning.

6357 **TOAC – Time of Arrival Control:**

6358 The TOAC function provides the temporal or speed control that enables 4  
6359 dimensional (4D) navigation to be accomplished. This function supports the spacing  
6360 and metering associated with air traffic management and will be used for NextGen  
6361 and SESAR operations.

6362 **Total System Error**

6363 The difference between true position and desired position. This error is equal to the  
6364 vector sum of the Path Steering Error (PSE), Path Definition Error (PDE) and  
6365 Position Estimation Error (PEE).

6366 **Track**

6367 The projection on the earth's surface of the path of an aircraft, the direction of which  
6368 is usually expressed in degrees from north (true, magnetic or grid).

6369 **Transition Altitude**

6370 The altitude at or below which the vertical position of an aircraft is controlled by  
6371 reference to altitudes.



**APPENDIX C  
GLOSSARY**

6372	<b><u>Transition Level</u></b>
6373	<u>The lowest flight level available for use above the transition altitude.</u>
6374	<b><u>VNAV – Vertical Navigation:</u></b>
6375	<u>A capability that allows the aircraft to fly a computed vertical speed profile which</u>
6376	<u>associates lateral waypoints with given altitude/speed constraints through the</u>
6377	<u>control of FMS, Autopilot and Auto-throttle. The vertical/speed profile can be either</u>
6378	<u>entered by the pilot or generated by the FMS. VNAV is not currently a required</u>
6379	<u>RNP/RNAV capability; however, ATM upgrades, such as NextGen, will include</u>
6380	<u>VNAV requirements. VNAV altitude can be based on either the aircraft's barometric</u>
6381	<u>altimetry system (BARO VNAV) or on GPS. Without differential augmentation</u>
6382	<u>(LAAS/WAAS), BARO VNAV will be the primary method of VNAV altitude</u>
6383	<u>determination. Since BARO VNAV is affected by nonstandard temperature effects</u>
6384	<u>and requires an accurate local altimeter setting, use of BARO VNAV is prohibited on</u>
6385	<u>RNAV instrument approach procedures below VNAV DA(H).</u>
6386	<b><u>Vertical Flight Technical Error</u></b>
6387	<u>The accuracy with which the aircraft is controlled as measured by the indicated</u>
6388	<u>aircraft position with respect to the indicated vertical command or desired vertical</u>
6389	<u>position. It does not include blunder errors</u>
6390	<b><u>Vertical Path Definition Error</u></b>
6391	<u>The vertical difference between the defined path and the desired path at a specific</u>
6392	<u>point and time</u>
6393	<b><u>Vertical Path Steering Error</u></b>
6394	<u>The distance from the estimated vertical position to the defined path. It includes</u>
6395	<u>both FTE and display error (e.g., vertical deviation centering error).</u>
6396	<b><u>Vertical Total System Error</u></b>
6397	<u>The difference between true vertical position and desired vertical position. This error</u>
6398	<u>is equal to the vector sum of the vertical path steering error, path definition error,</u>
6399	<u>and altimetry system error. Barometric altitude correction setting error is not</u>
6400	<u>included.</u>
6401	<b><u>Waypoint</u></b>
6402	<u>A predetermined geographical position used for route definition and/or progress</u>
6403	<u>reporting purposes that is defined by latitude/longitude.</u>
6404	<b><u>WGS-84 – World Geodetic System 1984:</u></b>
6405	<u>Developed by the US for world mapping, WGS 84 is an earth fixed global reference</u>
6406	<u>frame. It is the ICAO standard.</u>
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