

Performance Based Navigation

Navigating in the 21st Century

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Performance Based Navigation (PBN)



Benefits:

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- Increased safety
- Improved flight efficiency
 - Lower emissions
 - + Less total noise exposure
 - Increased capacity
 - More route options
- Improved airport access in IMC
- Improved predictability
 - + Trajectory Based Operations

Challenges:

- Community concerns
 - + Noise concentration
 - Noise transfer
- Aircraft equipage



PBN Procedures by Phase of Flight





Performance Based Navigation (PBN) As of: Nov. 2018





Metroplex Performance Based Navigation (PBN) As of: Nov. 2018





Airports with RNAV (GPS) Approaches As of: Jan. 2019





Required Navigational Performance (RNP)

- RNP extends an aircraft's RNAV capability with on-board performance monitoring and alerting functions.
- RNP provides high confidence that an aircraft will precisely follow a desired path (i.e., procedure)
- Airspace planners can design RNP procedures with tight segments and complex curved paths.
- FAA is allowing reduced separation minima on approach, in certain specific circumstances, for aircraft using RNP Authorization Required (AR) approach procedures.



Total System Error = Path Definition + Flight Technical + Navigation System Errors • For **RNP 0.3**.

- TSE must remain ≤ 0.3 nmi for 95% of the flight time
- $P(TSE > 2 \cdot 0.3 \text{ nmi w/o annunciation}) < 10^{-5}$
- **RNP AR** procedures require a TSE lower than for standard RNP procedures.
 - For RNP AR an aircraft typically requires:
 - Dual GNSS sensors
 - Dual FMS
 - Dual air data systems
 - Dual autopilots
 - Inertial Reference Unit (IRU)

RNP Approach Example

DCA 19 – Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport





- Safety enhancement, with 3-D path to runway
- Provides a corridor which avoids restricted airspace
- RNP AR approach significantly improves availability of Runway 19 during low visibility conditions
 - + There is no ILS for Runway 19

RNP Approach Benefits





Established on RNP (EoR)

- Allows ATC to clear an aircraft on an RNP approach incorporating a turn to final without ensuring 1,000 ft. vertical / 3 mile horizontal separation from aircraft on parallel approaches
- Provides a shorter, repeatable, stabilized path to runway for RNP aircraft





EoR at IAH





Multiple Airport Route Separation (MARS)

- Uses RNP and EoR concept to de-conflict traffic flows to separate airports
- Currently being explored for application in New York



PBN NAS Navigation Strategy *Key Elements*

- Clear vision of PBN as the basis for daily operations at all locations in the NAS
- Identification of the key navigation capabilities that will be available in the NAS over the next 15 years
- Defined Navigation Service Groups (NSG) for navigation capabilities
- Expectations for evolution of operator capabilities
- Emphasizes stakeholder/community engagement and collaboration





Navigation Services across Airport Groups Summary of Availability in the Far-Term (2026-2030)



Trajectory Based Operations (TBO)

'TBO is an ATM method for strategically planning, managing, and optimizing flights throughout the operation by using time-based management, information exchange between air and ground systems, and the aircraft's ability to fly precise paths in time and space.'



$\mathsf{TBO} = \mathsf{TBM} + \mathsf{PBN}$

TBO manages aircraft based on **where they will be** at "critical points in time" during the flight. Two key elements of TBO are (1) Performance Based Navigation and (2) Time-Based Management.

Trajectory Based Operations Objectives

- Efficient use of available airspace and airports
- Improved schedule predictability fewer delays
 Improved flight efficiency – shorter flight distance and flight time between cities
- Increased operational flexibility





IF YOU STOP EVOLVING YOU STOP FLYING.