

Sample TCAS Intent Specification

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This sample intent specification for TCAS was produced by Nancy Leveson (Levels 1 and 2) and Jon Reese (Levels 3 and 4). We have built on the RSML specification produced by ourselves, Mats Heimdahl, and Holly Hildreth for the FAA, but we have changed the notation and modeling language and have expanded the specification to include the entire MOPS Volume 1 and 2 (published by the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics) along with additional information. This specification is an example of an Intent Specification and should not be used to provide information about any real implementation of TCAS or any current version of the official FAA specification of TCAS.

Preface

The following is an example of an intent specification using TCAS as an example. An intent specification differs from a standard specification primarily in its structure: Hierarchical abstraction is based on *intent* (“why”) rather than simply the more usual *what* and *how*. Because each level is mapped to the appropriate parts of the intent levels above and below it, traceability of design rationale and design decisions is provided from high-level system requirements and constraints down to code (or physical form if the function is implemented in hardware) and vice versa.

There are five levels in an intent specification. Each level supports a different type of reasoning about the system and represents a different model of the same system. The model at each level is described in terms of a different set of attributes or language.

The highest level of an intent specification assists system engineers in their reasoning about system-level properties such as goals, constraints, hazards, priorities, and tradeoffs among them. The second level, System Design Principles, allows engineers to reason about the system in terms of the physical principles and laws upon which the design is based. The third or Blackbox Behavior level, enhances reasoning about the logical design of the system as a whole and the interactions between the components as well as the functional state without being distracted by implementation issues. The lowest two levels provide the information necessary to reason about individual component design and implementation issues. The mappings between levels provide the relational information that allows reasoning across the hierarchical levels and tracing from high-level requirements down to implementation and vice versa.

The intent information represents the design rationale upon which the specification is based and thus design rationale is integrated directly into the specification. Each level also contains information about underlying *assumptions* upon which the design and validation is based. Assumptions are especially important in operational safety analyses. When conditions change such that the assumptions are no longer true, then a new safety analysis should be triggered. These assumptions may be included in a safety analysis document (or at least should be), but

are not usually traced to the parts of the implementation they affect. Thus the system safety engineer may know that a safety analysis assumption has changed (e.g., the pacemakers are now being used on children rather than the adults for which the device was originally designed and validated), but it is a very difficult and resource-intensive process to figure out what parts of the design used that assumption.

Each of the five intent levels is also organized in terms of the more common part-whole abstractions, i.e., parallel decomposition and refinement. Because the separation of human factors and the design of the human-computer interface from the main system and component design can lead to serious deficiencies in each, we have attempted to integrate both types of specifications at each level and across levels. Interface specifications and specification of important aspects of environmental components are also integrated into the intent specification. Finally, each level of the intent specification includes a specification of the requirements and results of verification and validation activities of the information at that specification level.

The specification as a whole allows a seamless transition from system to component (including software) specifications and the integration of formal and informal aspects of system and software development. Because the structuring is based on what is known about human problem solving, we believe that this type of specification will enhance human processing and use of specifications and will also enhance our ability to engineer for quality and to build evolvable and changeable systems without degrading quality. The structure is designed to facilitate the tracing of system level requirements and constraints into the design and the assurance of various system properties (such as safety) in the initial design and implementation as well as reduce the costs of implementing changes and reanalysis when the system is changed, as it inevitably will be.

In this document, we try to use industry standard terminology where “shall” denotes a requirement, “should” denotes an option, “must” represents a constraint, and “will” denotes an assumption about the environment. Again, we had to guess at some of these in the following because the documents on which we based this intent specification were sometimes ambiguous in this respect. Mappings are indicated by pointers, but an electronic version of this type of specification could use sophisticated hyper-text links including multiple windows to denote these relationships.

The first number of letters of a link tells you where it is located:

Number 1-5: Requirement on Levels 1 to 5

G: Goal (Level 1)

EA: Environmental Assumption (Level 1)

EC: Environment Constraint (Level 1)
OP: Operator behavioral requirement, assumption, or constraint (Level 1)
L: Limitation (Level 1)
C: Non-safety-related design constraint (Level 1)
SC: Safety-related design constraint (Level 1)
FTA-*x*: Line *x* of the Fault Tree Analysis

Caveats

This specification is only an example. It does not correspond to the current specification of TCAS and should not be used to answer questions about any TCAS specification or implementation. It is based on a specification we did of an earlier version of TCAS than the current operational version and is incomplete in some sections where we either could not get the necessary information or felt it was too tedious to enter it all when an example of the type of information that would be included was sufficient to illustrate the point. The information concerning human factors is most incomplete due to our inability to find the necessary information. We tried to maintain consistency with the MOPS (DO-185) but we added information in the Level 1 specification of the safety-related design constraints in order to provide a more complete example of this critical type of information.

In addition, we generated the mappings between levels ourselves, and they have not been reviewed by any TCAS experts (nor are they complete). They should also be taken as examples and not as accurate reflections of the original designer's intent: The limitations in our understanding of TCAS required many assumptions on our part that may be unjustified. This is, of course, exactly why it is important to record intent from the beginning.

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Level 1

System-Level Goals, Requirements, Constraints

The highest level of an intent specification contains the (1) system goals and requirements, (2) system-level design constraints, (3) assumptions and limitations of the system, (4) design evaluation criteria and priorities, and (5) results of analyses for system-level qualities such as preliminary and system hazard analyses.

Introduction

TCAS is an airborne collision avoidance system. It interrogates air traffic control transponders on aircraft in its vicinity and listens for the transponder replies. By analyzing these replies with respect to slant range and relative altitude, TCAS determines which aircraft represent potential collision threats and provides appropriate display indications (or advisories) to the flight crew to assure separation.

An aircraft is declared to be a collision threat to the TCAS aircraft if its current position, or its projected position, simultaneously violate range and relative altitude criteria. Generally, an aircraft will be declared to be a collision threat 20-30 seconds before closest approach, providing time for an escape maneuver by the pilot. Two classes of advisories can be provided: Resolution Advisories (RAs) and Traffic Advisories (TAs).

Resolution advisories (RAs) indicate vertical maneuvers that are predicted to increase vertical separation from threatening aircraft. RAs are chosen to provide a specific margin of separation with a minimum change in the existing flight path of the TCAS II aircraft.

Two types of resolution advisories are issued. A *preventive* resolution advisory requires no immediate action but warns the crew not to climb, descend, or adjust vertical speed due to nearby traffic. A *corrective* resolution advisory directs the pilot to alter the vertical speed of the aircraft to ensure safe separation from nearby traffic in the vertical plane.

Traffic advisories (TAs) indicate the positions of intruding aircraft that may later cause resolution advisories to be displayed. In potential collision encounters, the system is designed to ensure that the TA normally occurs approximately 15 seconds before the RA. For intruders not equipped with altitude-reporting equipment, it is not possible to determine if the aircraft is a potential collision threat. For these aircraft, TCAS may therefore generate TAs but will not generate RAs.

Besides the RAs and TAs representing threats or potential threats, TCAS may also provide traffic advisories that represent proximity warnings. These warnings indicate the positions of aircraft that have entered the protected airspace around our aircraft but that do not currently represent a threat or a potential threat.

TCAS is meant to provide back-up separation assurance for the existing conventional air traffic control system without producing unwanted alarms in encounters for which the collision risk does not warrant escape maneuvers. The operation of TCAS is not dependent on any ground-based systems.

TCAS is not designed to supplant either air traffic control's system of separation assurance or the time-honored "see and avoid" system of traffic separation. Rather, it provides an independent backup to these systems, since it makes use solely of airborne transponders as its data source.

Historical Perspective

The development of an effective airborne collision avoidance system has been the goal of the aviation community for many years. Spurred by the collision of two airliners over the Grand Canyon in 1956, the airlines initiated a study of collision avoidance concepts.

During the late 1950s and early 1960s, efforts included an emphasis on passive and noncooperating systems. These proved to be impractical. One reason was the need for nonconflicting, complementary avoidance maneuvers, which requires high-integrity communications between the aircraft in conflict. Another reason was the need to acquire more precise altitude information from intruding aircraft.

One of the most important developments was the derivation of the range/range rate (*tau*) concept, the first accurate study of the basic physics of collision avoidance, by Dr. John S. Morrell of Bendix. This concept is based on time-to-go, rather than on distance-to-go, to the closest point of approach.

During the late 1960s and early 1970s, aircraft collision avoidance systems (ACAS) were developed by several manufacturers based on interrogator/transponder and time/frequency techniques. Although these systems functioned properly during staged aircraft encounter testing, the FAA and the airlines jointly concluded that in normal airline operations, they would generate a high rate of unnecessary alarms in dense terminal areas. This would undermine their credibility with flight crews. In addition, each target aircraft would have to be similarly equipped in order for an ACAS aircraft to receive protection.

In the mid-1970s, the Beacon Collision Avoidance System (BCAS), which used reply data from Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System (ATCRBS) transponders to determine intruder range and altitude, was developed. ATCRBS transponders were already installed in all airline, military, and most general aviation aircraft. Thus any BCAS-equipped aircraft would be protected against the majority of other aircraft, without imposing additional equipment requirements for those aircraft. In addition, the discrete address communications techniques used in the Mode S transponders being developed permitted two conflicting BCAS aircraft to achieve coordinated escape maneuvers with a high degree of reliability and allowed

a collision avoidance capability on the flightdeck that is independent of the ground system,

In 1981, the FAA made the decision to develop and implement TCAS, using the BCAS design but providing additional capabilities. After FAA and industry sponsored studies, simulations, and flight tests (see *Testing and Validation* in Level 2 on Page 111), the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics (RTCA) completed the initial version of the TCAS II MOPS, labeled DO-185, in September 1984. The MOPS provides specific guidance for avionics manufacturers in designing and testing TCAS II equipment. The MOPS has had extensive changes since its first version was issued. A consolidated version with all the changes included was issued September 6, 1990. The information in this sample document (intent specification) is based on and includes (or is intended to include) all of the information in the 1990 consolidated MOPS.

The FAA has issued Technical Standard Order C-119 and Advisory Circular 20-131 for use by FAA airworthiness authorities to certify the installation of TCAS II in aircraft. Advisory Circular 120-TCAS addresses TCAS II operational requirements. Because TCAS II will also be used by foreign carriers operating in U.S. airspace, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has prepared Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPS) that are the worldwide standard governing TCAS II design and operation. Finally, the Airlines Electronic Engineering Committee (AEEC) has completed ARINC Characteristic 735, which standardizes the form and function of TCAS II units installed in airline aircraft.

Based on a Congressional mandate (Public Law 100-223), the FAA issued a rule effective February 9, 1989 that required the equipage of TCAS II on airline aircraft with more than 30 seats by December 30, 1991. Although not in the law, the FAA rule required airline aircraft with 10 to 30 passenger seats to have TCAS I installed by February 9, 1995. The installation of TCAS III is permitted by the rule but is not required. Public Law 101-236, which was signed on December 15, 1989, amended PL 100-2223 to (1) permit the FAA administrator to extend the deadline for TCAS II fleetwide implementation to December 30, 1993, and (2) require the FAA to conduct a 1-year operational evaluation of TCAS II beginning no later than December 30, 1990. The installation requirement is now in effect.

Environment

This section describes the “givens” or environment in which the TCAS unit needs to function along with its interaction with other aircraft systems that already exist or are not being designed as part of the TCAS development. In other words, these are the environmental constraints within which the TCAS designers must operate.

TCAS can be combined with other aircraft systems and multiple antennas, displays, and controls can be used. However, any such combination must not degrade the general performance requirements of TCAS equipment or of the equipment with which TCAS is combined.

Figure 1.1 shows the links between TCAS and other components of the air space system related to the achievement of the general collision avoidance goal. See ARINC Characteristic 735 *Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System (TCAS)* for detailed information about interfaces with other aircraft equipment.

Control Panel

Any needed manual control for the TCAS unit should be provided on the control panel of its associated Mode S Transponder unit. As there is no direct link between this control panel and the TCAS unit, control information will be delivered to the TCAS unit via the transponder. The control panel should provide the needed interface to the Mode S transponder required for the TCAS system. Communications links from the Mode S transponder unit to the TCAS unit should be the 2-wire serial digital system described in ARINC Specification 429 “Mark 33 Digital Information Transfer System (DITS)”. Details of the Mode S control panel are contained in ARIS Characteristic 718.

Antennas

The installation should provide two L-band transmit-receive antennas for each TCAS on the aircraft, one located on the underside of the fuselage and the other on top. The upper antenna will provide the TCAS computer unit with signals

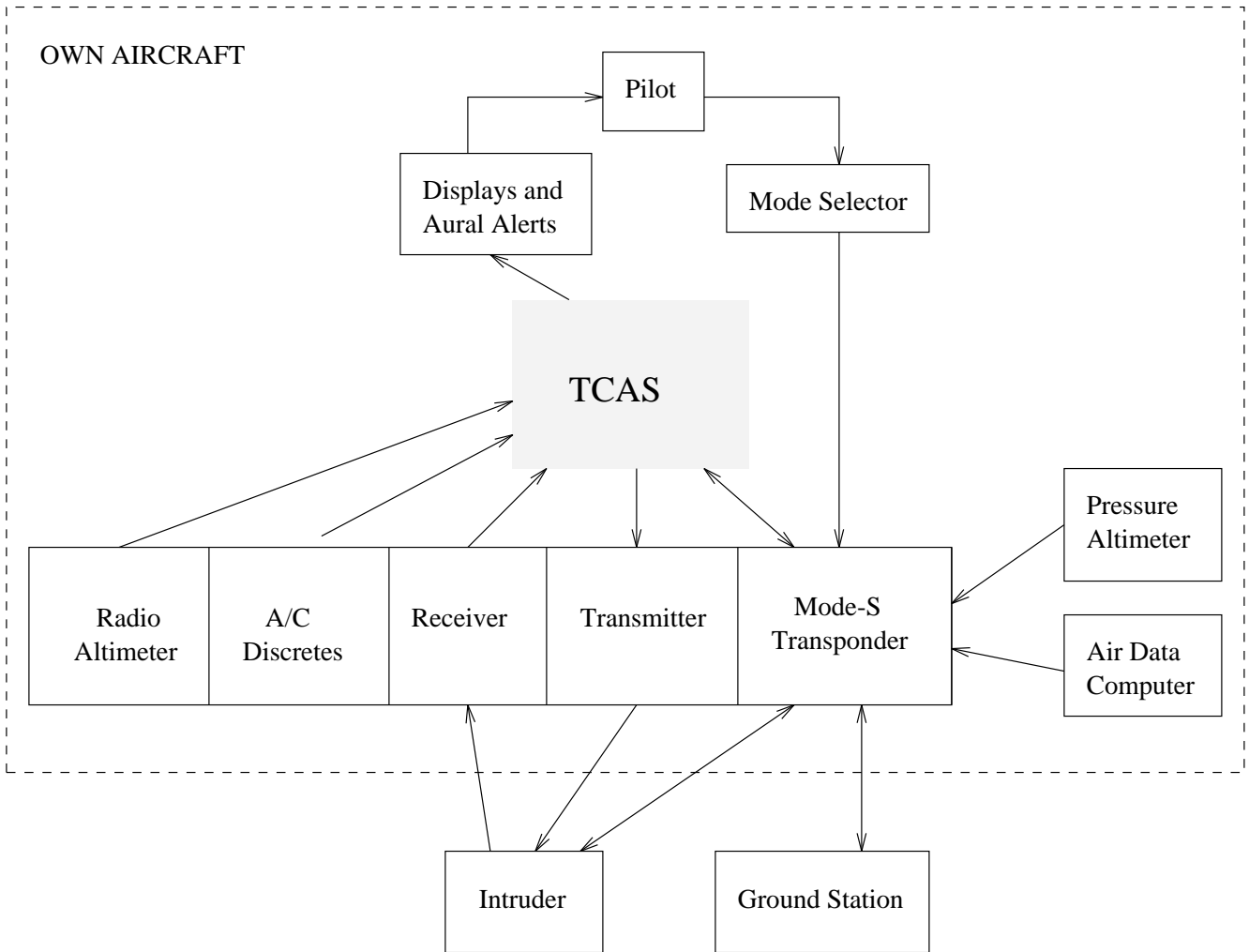


Figure 1.1: TCAS and its Environment

for an estimation of the signal angle-of-arrival. The lower antenna may be an omnidirectional blade antenna or directional antenna at the option of the user.

Altitude Reporting Data

Barometric altitude data is not provided directly to the TCAS unit. Instead, altitude data will be provided to the TCAS unit through the Mode S Transponder from appropriate aircraft computing devices, such as Air Data System, Altitude Computer System, or other parts of the aircraft altimeter system.

The pressure altitude data should be obtained from the most accurate source available in the aircraft and shall correspond to that being transmitted by the associated Mode S transponder. The accuracy of the altitude data shall be at least that specified in Appendix A of RTCA DO-185. It shall be shown that the resolution of the altimetry source is compatible with TCAS. The altitude source with the finest compatible resolution should be used. When available, the resolution should be in increments of 10 feet or less. Information should also be provided to indicate when the pressure altitude information is invalid (→FTA-340, FTA-870, 1.23.1, ↓2.68).

Radio altitude information is provided to TCAS to inhibit advisories at some low levels of flight (↓ 2.42), to allow automatic sensitivity level selection when close to the ground (↓ 2.2.3, 2.42), and to determine that individual targets are on the ground (↓ 2.19, 2.42). Information shall also be provided to indicate when the radio altitude information is invalid (→FTA-330, FTA-340, FTA-870, 1.23.3, ↓2.68).

Aircraft Discretes

Discrete information from aircraft configuration sensors such as flaps, slats, landing gear, etc. should be provided to ensure that TCAS appropriately inhibits climb advisories to the airplane performance limits (↓ 2.38, 2.39, 2.40, 2.41, 2.49.1).

Mode S Transponder

The TCAS equipment will operate in conjunction with and in close proximity to a Mode S transponder. This imposes design requirements on the Mode S transponder that are not covered in RTCA/DO-181 (Minimum Operational Performance Standards for the Mode S Beacon System, March 1983) so that TCAS requirements specified in this document can be met. Similarly,

[1.1]

The functions of TCAS equipment shall not in any way degrade the performance of the Mode S transponder beyond that specified in RTCA/DO-181.

It is the responsibility of the manufacturers to identify all areas where incompatibilities may arise and to design and construct their equipment so that the requirements of DO-181 are met when both the Mode S Transponder and TCAS are operating.

Aircraft Identification

Discrete information shall be provided to the Mode S transponder for the unique aircraft Mode S identification code.

Attitude

Pitch and roll attitude information may be provided to assist with stabilization of the directional antenna function to assure surveillance and TA display data remain unaffected by aircraft normal maneuvers. If attitude information is used by TCAS, the information shall also be provided to indicate when the attitude data are invalid (→1.23.1, ↓2.68).

Heading

Aircraft heading information may be provided for use in surveillance reference and for the TA display reference presentation. If heading information is provided, information shall also be provided to indicate when the heading data are invalid (→1.23.1).

Relation to Other Alerts and Warnings on the Aircraft

TCAS is an “Environmental” System, similar to GPWS and the Windshear Alerting System. For this reason and the anticipated high alert rates for TAs and RAs compared to any other alert on the aircraft, the TCAS alerts and advisories should remain independent of those using the master caution and warning system. This does not preclude other methods of annunciation for failures of the TCAS equipment that are consistent with flight deck specific design philosophy.

[1.2]

Among the environmental alerts, the hierarchy shall be: Windshear has first priority, then GPWS, then TCAS.

[1.3]

During the period of time when TCAS is inhibited by either the windshear system or GPWS, TCAS shall revert to the TA-Only mode and the aural alerts shall be inhibited¹.

Assumptions about the Environment

The correct operation of TCAS as well as the hazard analyses are based on some assumptions about the environment in which TCAS operates:

[EA.1]

High-integrity communications exist between aircraft (i.e., transponders).

[EA.2]

The TCAS-equipped aircraft carries a Mode-S air traffic control transponder, whose replies include encoded altitude when appropriately interrogated.

[EA.3]

The other aircraft have operating transponders.

[EA.4]

All aircraft have legal identification numbers.

[EA.5]

Altitude information is available from intruding targets with a minimum precision of 100 feet.

[EA.6]

The altimetry system that provides own pressure altitude to the TCAS equipment will satisfy the requirements in . . .

[EA.7]

Threat aircraft will not make an abrupt maneuver that thwarts the TCAS escape maneuver.

Environment Constraints

[EC.1]

The behavior or interaction of non-TCAS equipment with TCAS must not degrade the performance of the TCAS equipment.

¹Although we found this requirement in an official TCAS document and it seems important, we could not find it implemented anywhere in the design or logic specification so it does not appear elsewhere in this document.

[EC.2]

The interaction with TCAS must not degrade the performance of the equipment with which TCAS interacts.

Operator

This section contains assumptions, requirements, and constraints involving flight-crew behavior. This information is used in the design of the TCAS-pilot interface, the TCAS logic, flightcrew tasks and procedures, aircraft flight manuals, and training plans and programs.

[OP.1]

Compliance with a TCAS maneuver is expected unless, in the judgement of the pilot-in-command, doing so would present a great hazard to the safety of the flight (→ FTA-530, ↓2.72.4).

[OP.2]

While ultimate responsibility for safety of flight rests with the pilot in command, the need to follow TCAS advisories shall be emphasized in TCAS training (→FTA-510, ↓5.training).

[OP.3]

TCAS advisories shall be executed in such a way as to minimize the aircraft's deviation from its ATC clearance (↓3.3).

[OP.4]

After the threat has been resolved, the pilot shall return promptly and smoothly to his/her previously assigned flight path (→FTA-560, ↓3.3).

[OP.5]

Special procedures may be necessary for using TCAS during airport approach (↓2.72.2).

[OP.6]

Controls should be set to inhibit resolution advisories when operating in intentional close proximity to other aircraft (↓2.71.5).

[OP.7]

TCAS must not be used as a substitute for normal crew vigilance outside the cockpit (→FTA-145, ↓3.3).

[OP.8]

Pilots must learn to use the system the way the designers and its logic intend it to be used, although they also must remember to use their training and experience to evaluate situations and take appropriate action to ensure safety of flight (↓4.AFM, 5.training).

Assumption: It is assumed that pilots will use all of the information available to them (not just TCAS-provided information) to ensure safety of flight.

[OP.9]

The pilot must not maneuver on the basis of the TA only (→FTA-1045, ↓2.71.3).

[OP.10]

Pilots must not delay execution of a resolution advisory, stop before the RA is removed, or continue beyond the point the RA is removed (↓2.71.1 →FTA-210, FTA-550, FTA-555, FTA-560, FTA-565, FTA-865).

[OP.11]

TCAS evasive maneuvers must be complied with in a timely and gentle fashion (↓3.3).

[OP.12]

TCAS must be capable of being operated by a single person (↓Page 63).

[OP.13]

Each pilot must be able to read and operate TCAS independently from the other crew members (↓Page 63).

Human Interface Requirements

Aural Alerts (→FTA-520, ↓2.75)

[1.4]

Aural alerts shall be presented by voice announcements only. These announcements are of a prescribed duration.

[1.5]

Aural alerts shall be announced in a high-fidelity distinguishable voice. Automatic volume adjustment for ambient conditions is desired.

[1.6]

RA messages consisting of a single word shall be spoken three times; longer messages shall be spoken twice. If a logic change occurs before the aural alert is complete and a new alert is warranted, the original alert shall be terminated immediately and the new alert started.

[1.7]

Corrective RA messages that indicate that a previously announced corrective RA must be increased in strength or reversed shall be spoken with a sense of urgency.

Visual Alerts (↓2.81)

[1.8]

A red visual alert shall be provided in the primary field of view for each pilot for resolution advisories (↓2.80).

[1.9]

If a written message is shown on the display, it should flash or otherwise be highlighted. It must be consistent with the aural RA annunciation. Whether

or not this is done could depend upon how conspicuous other RA information is on display.

[1.10]

The written message “TCAS” may be used to indicate the source of the alert.

[1.11]

The RA display shall be located in the primary field of view for each pilot.

[1.12]

An autopilot and autothrottle interface may be used provided the autopilot performance is consistent with TCAS performance requirements, and if its activation is pilot selectable.

[1.13]

A switch position shall be provided to inhibit RAs for parallel approach operations or other flight in intentional close proximity to other aircraft (←OP.6, ↓2.2.3, 2.74).

[1.14]

Presentation of RA commands shall be independent of whether or not the aircraft is in a turn.

Displays (↓Page 16)

Collision avoidance maneuver advisories and traffic advisories may be displayed to the cockpit crew on one or more dedicated displays, on displays integrated with other instruments such as instantaneous Vertical Speed Indicator (IVSI), or on a CRT flight instrument.

Traffic displays may take several forms: Independent, stand-alone, integrated and time-shared with digital color radar, integrated with the flightcrew’s Instantaneous Vertical Speed Indicators (IVSI), or integrated with other displays such as Electronic Horizontal Situation Indicators (EHSI), navigation, or other multi-function displays.

[1.15]

If the traffic display uses a multi-function display that is shared with other services such as ACARS, the traffic display function shall be immediately available for display by a single selection accessible to both pilots.

Safety-related display design constraints can be found on Page 36.

Controls (↓2.74)

[1.16]

A means to select the following modes of operation shall be provided.

1. Operation of the Mode S transponder only.
2. Operation of the TCAS II in the TA/RA mode and Mode S transponder simultaneously.
3. Operation of the ATCRBS transponder only, if installed. It must not be possible to operate the TCAS II and ATCRBS transponder or the Mode S and ATCRBS transponder simultaneously.
4. Operation of TCAS II in the TA mode and Mode S transponder simultaneously.
5. Operation of TCAS II in the standby mode.
6. A means to select the assigned ATCRBS code.
7. A means to initiate the transponder IDENT function.
8. A means to initiate the TCAS II self-test (flight deck location optional).
9. A means to suppress transponder altitude reporting.

[1.17]

The following optional controls may be provided:

1. Selection of weather radar only.
2. Control to select the display of traffic within selected altitude bands.
3. Selection of the weather radar and traffic display simultaneously.
4. Selection of actual/flight-level or relative altitude of traffic.

Safety-related control design constraints can be found on Page 35.

TCAS System Functional Goals

To provide a collision avoidance capability that can be carried by aircraft that require the highest level of protection from midair collision (for a broad spectrum of aircraft types) and that can operate independently of the ground-based system while coordinating with it if necessary.

[G.1]

Provide affordable and compatible collision avoidance system options for a broad spectrum of National Airspace System users.

[G.2]

Detect potential midair collisions with other aircraft in all meteorological conditions.

[G.3]

Provide protection throughout navigable airspace, including airspace not covered by ATC primary or secondary radar systems.

[G.4]

Provide collision protection in the absence of ground equipment.

[G.5]

Coordinate with ATC ground stations, to the extent necessary, where such ground stations are provided.

High-Level Functional Requirements

[1.18]

TCAS shall provide collision avoidance protection for any two aircraft closing horizontally at any rate up to 1200 knots and vertically up to 10,000 feet per minute.

Assumption: This requirement is derived from the assumption that commercial aircraft can operate up to 600 knots and 5000 fpm during vertical climb or controlled descent (and therefore two planes can close horizontally up to 1200 knots and vertically up to 10,000 fpm).

[1.19]

TCAS shall handle encounters involving multiple aircraft in areas with large numbers of aircraft within a selected range (without saturation of the operating frequencies).

[1.19.1]

TCAS shall operate in en-route and terminal areas with traffic densities up to 0.3 aircraft per square nautical miles (nmi) (i.e., 24 aircraft within 5 nmi) (↓2.13, ↓Page 202).

Assumption: Traffic density may increase to this level by 1990, and this will be the maximum density over the next 20 years.

[1.19.2]

TCAS shall operate out to 14 nautical miles (↓Page 188).

[1.20]

TCAS shall provide timely advisories to the pilot:

[1.20.1]

Resolution advisories shall indicate vertical maneuvers that are predicted to increase vertical separation from threatening aircraft. Depending on the selected protection range, the nominal advisory time before closest approach shall vary from 20 to 30 seconds (↓2.2.3).

[1.20.2]

Traffic advisories shall indicate the positions of intruding aircraft that may up to 15 seconds later cause resolution advisories to be displayed (↓2.23.1.1).

Assumption: Traffic advisories assist the flight crew of the TCAS aircraft in the following two ways:

- a. Alert the crew to the presence of potentially threatening traffic and provide intruder position data that can aid visual acquisition.
- b. Provide the crew with a graphic depiction of the conflict situation prior to the time the resolution advisory is displayed, thereby facilitating a reduction in the time taken by a pilot to respond to the resolution advisory.

[1.20.2.1]

Traffic advisories shall be provided on Mode A (no altitude data available), Mode C, and Mode S transponder equipped aircraft.

[1.20.2.2]

Traffic advisories shall indicate the range, range rate, altitude, altitude rate, and bearing of the intruder aircraft relative to own aircraft.

[1.20.2.3]

Traffic advisories without altitude (proximity advisories) shall be provided on non-altitude reporting, transponder-equipped aircraft that describe their ranges and bearing.

[1.20.3]

Proximity advisories shall indicate the positions of other aircraft that are within the protected airspace around own aircraft and one or more of the following conditions holds: (1) the other aircraft does not represent a collision threat with own aircraft, (2) there is insufficient data to determine whether the aircraft represents a threat, or (3) this version of TCAS does not evaluate collision threats (see 1.22.1).

[1.21]

TCAS shall provide direction-finding capability to support the display of traffic.

Assumption: TCAS is intended for operation in low to medium transponder densities (see 1.19.1).

[1.21.1]

The surveillance equipment shall be omnidirectional (↓Page 61).

[1.21.2]

TCAS shall be capable of resolving encounters with aircraft equipped with Mode S transponders as well as with aircraft equipped with the internationally standardized ATCRBS (Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System) altitude reporting transponders.

Assumption: Although the population of transponders will slowly change from ATCRBS to Mode S as TCAS installations are made, some ATCRBS transponders will be a part of the environment throughout the life of the TCAS equipment. Sixteen percent of the transponder-equipped aircraft in U.S. airspace by 1990 will be Mode S equipped.

[1.22]

TCAS shall support three options or levels of service.

[1.22.1]

TCAS I shall provide proximity warning only².

Assumption: TCAS I is intended for use by smaller commuter aircraft and by general aviation aircraft.

[1.22.2]

TCAS II shall provide traffic advisories and resolution advisories (recommended escape maneuvers) in a vertical direction to avoid conflicting traffic.

Assumption: TCAS II will be used by airline aircraft and larger commuter and business aircraft.

[1.22.3]

TCAS III shall provide traffic advisories and resolution advisories in the horizontal as well as the vertical direction to avoid conflicting traffic.

²Note that TCAS I does not satisfy goal G.4 (p. 19).

Note: TCAS III has not been implemented yet.

[1.22.4]

The advisories provided will depend on what TCAS equipment the target aircraft is carrying, as specified in the following table. (TA= traffic advisory, VRA=vertical resolution advisory, HRA=horizontal resolution advisory, TTC= TCAS/TCAS coordination)

Table 1. TCAS Levels of Protection

Target Aircraft Equipment	Own Aircraft Equipment	Advisories
Mode A only	TCAS I	TA
	TCAS II	TA
	TCAS III	TA
Mode C or Mode S with altitude encoding	TCAS I	TA
	TCAS II	TA, VRA
	TCAS III	TA, VRA, HRA
TCAS I, II, or III	TCAS I	TA
TCAS I	TCAS II	TA, VRA
	TCAS III	TA, VRA, HRA
TCAS II or III	TCAS II	TA, VRA, TTC
	TCAS III	TA, VRA, HRA, TTC

[1.23]

TCAS shall have performance monitoring capability.

[1.23.1]

TCAS shall inform the pilot about the operational status of TCAS (i.e., whether it is operating properly) and when resolution advisories are not possible due to failure of the TCAS equipment or any of its sensors or displays. The pilot shall be able to validate the performance of the TCAS computer (↓2.70).

[1.23.2]

The monitor shall declare a TCAS failure in the event that own Mode S address is all 0's or 1's.

[1.23.3]

The monitor shall declare a TCAS failure after 10 seconds in the event that, at the minimum, valid radio altitude input is not present (←Page 9, ↓2.68).

[1.23.4]

When a failure is detected, the monitor shall:

[1.23.4.1]

Indicate to the flight crew that an abnormal condition exists.

[1.23.4.2]

Discontinue TCAS operation. [*How does it get turned back on?*³]

[1.23.4.3]

Cause any Mode S transmissions that report own aircraft status to show that own aircraft has no on-board resolution capability.

[1.23.4.4]

Prevent interrogations by own aircraft TCAS.

[1.23.4.5]

Deactivate the normal TCAS display functions.

[1.23.5]

The monitor functions shall be accomplished by positive means within one second.

³We could not find this information in the TCAS specification but it needs to be included somewhere or the specification is incomplete. This type of incompleteness should be detectable using our SpecTRM analysis tools and approaches on the Level 3 behavioral specification.

System Limitations

Limitations may involve accepted risks, e.g., hazards that could not be completely eliminated, mitigated, reduced to an acceptable level, or in some other way resolved satisfactorily. Such limitations may lead to operational procedures and entries in the Aircraft Flight Manual or Flight Manual Supplement. In a complete intent specification, links would be included to the relevant operational procedures and AFM entries.

[L.1]

TCAS provides no protection against aircraft that do not have an operating transponder.

[L.2]

TCAS is dependent on the accuracy of the threat aircraft's reported altitude. Separation assurance may be degraded by errors in intruder pressure altitude as reported by the transponder of the intruder aircraft.

Assumption: This limitation holds for existing airspace, where many aircraft use pressure altimeters rather than GPS. As more aircraft install GPS systems with greater accuracy than current pressure altimeters, this limitation will be reduced or eliminated.

[L.3]

TCAS provides no protection against aircraft with an identification number of zero or all ones.

[L.4]

TCAS does not currently indicate horizontal escape maneuvers and therefore does not (and is not intended to) increase horizontal separation.

[L.5]

If only one of two aircraft is TCAS equipped while the other has only ATRBS altitude-reporting capability, the assurance of safe separation may be reduced (\rightarrow FTA-290).

[L.6]

Aircraft performance limitations constrain the magnitude of the escape maneuver that the flight crew can safely execute in response to a resolution advisory. It is possible for these limitations to preclude a successful resolution of the conflict (↓2.38, 2.39).

[L.7]

Escape maneuvers are provided only for intruder aircraft with a mode C (altitude-reporting) transponder. For non-altitude-reporting intruders, only proximity advisories are provided.

[L.8]

TCAS will not issue an advisory if it is turned on or enabled to issue resolution advisories in the middle of a conflict (→FTA-405).

[L.9] Use by the pilot of the self-test function in flight will inhibit TCAS operation for up to 20 seconds depending upon the number of targets being tracked. The ATC transponder will not function during some portion of the self-test sequence.

System Design Constraints

Design constraints are restrictions on the way the requirements may be achieved, i.e., limitations on potential system designs.

Non-Safety-Related Design Constraints

[C.1]

The system must make use of the radar beacon transponders routinely carried by aircraft for ground ATC purposes.

[C.2]

Maneuvers expected in response to resolution advisories provided by the system should be acceptable to both pilots and air traffic controllers.

[C.3]

The design should not preclude future modification or interfacing with additional airborne or ground equipment that may be necessary to provide expanded collision-avoidance services.

[C.4]

TCAS must comply with all applicable FAA and FCC policies, rules, and philosophies (↓2.30, 2.79).

[C.5]

The system must provide the least disruptive advisory that will still achieve safe separation.

[C.6]

The system must be compatible with the existing ATC system when operating in controlled airspace and also with planned evolution of the ATC system.

[C.7]

The performance monitor must not interfere with the performance of the intended function of TCAS.

Safety-Related Design Constraints

The safety-related constraints are derived from the system hazard list, the preliminary hazard analysis, and any fault tree or other types of hazard analyses performed on the system.

General Safety Policy: The system design must assure that the system does not have any characteristics that could adversely affect the safety of flight or interfere with the operation of other aircraft and airspace-management systems in a way that could adversely affect the safety of flight.

Specific safety constraints:

[SC1]

The system must function completely independently of the ground-based ATC system.

Assumption: TCAS will be used as a backup to the ATC system.

[SC2]

The system must not interfere with the ground ATC system or other aircraft transmissions to the ground ATC system (↓2.6, 2.13).

[SC2.1]

The system design must limit interference with ground-based secondary surveillance radar, distance-measuring equipment channels, and with other radio services that operate in the 1030/1090 MHz frequency band (↓2.5.1).

[SC2.1.1]

The design of the Mode S waveforms used by TCAS must provide compatibility with Modes A and C of the ground-based secondary surveillance radar system (↓2.6).

[SC2.1.2]

The frequency spectrum of Mode S transmissions must be controlled to protect adjacent distance-measuring equipment channels.

[SC2.1.3]

The design must ensure electromagnetic compatibility and non-occurrence of operationally significant interference between TCAS, secondary surveillance radar, and DME (Distance Measuring Equipment) systems (↓2.14).

[SC2.2]

The design must ensure that no transponder is suppressed by TCAS activity for more than 2 percent of the time and that TCAS does not create an unacceptably high FRUIT rate for the ATC radars (↓2.13, 2.13.4).

[SC2.3]

Multiple TCAS units within detection range of one another (approximately 30 nmi) must be designed to limit their own transmissions. As the number of such TCAS units within this region increases, the interrogation rate and power allocation for each of them must decrease in order to prevent undesired interference with ATC (↓2.13).

[SC3]

The system must generate advisories that require as little deviation as possible from ATC clearances (↓2.30).

[SC4]

The system must not fail to provide effective warnings and appropriate collision avoidance guidance on potentially dangerous threats nor fail to provide them within an appropriate time limit (↓2.17.2).

Note: This constraint has obvious conflicts with SCSC5.

[SC4.1]

A resolution advisory must not be removed (canceled) until the other aircraft is no longer a threat.

[SC4.2]

An RA must not be delayed beyond the closest point of approach because of an intruder maneuver (→FTA-350, FTA-400).

[SC4.3]

An RA must not be delayed beyond the time that the pilot can respond appropriately.

[SC4.4]

TCAS must protect against a possible maneuver or speed change by either aircraft.

[SC4.5]
TCAS must allow for increased altimetry error as altitude increases (↓2.1, 2.32).

[SC4.6]
TCAS must protect against a slow rate of closure allowing a threat to slip in very close without triggering an advisory (↓2.2.4, 2.30.2).

[SC4.7]
A Traffic Advisory must be given with enough time for pilots to get visual acquisition before an RA becomes necessary (↓2.20).

[SC4.8]
If there are more traffic advisories to generate than can be accommodated on the screen, a priority must be used based on severity (↓2.22, →FTA-375, FTA-735).

[SC4.9]
TCAS must never incorrectly classify an aircraft as on the ground (↓2.19).

[SC5]
The system must operate with an acceptably low level of unwanted or nuisance alarms. The unwanted alarm rate must be sufficiently low to pose no safety of flight hazard nor adversely affect the workload in the cockpit (↓2.2.3, 2.5.2, 2.32, 2.43, 2.44).

[SC5.1]
The system must control synchronous garbling, nonsynchronous garbling, and ground-reflected (multipath) signals (↓2.10, 2.11, 2.12, Page 61).

[SC5.1.1]
The probability that a surveillance track based on FRUIT replies will be started and maintained must be extremely remote (↓2.11, 2.12).

[SC5.1.2]
The initiation of surveillance tracks based on multipath replies must be avoided (↓2.12).

[SC6]
The system must not disrupt the pilot and ATC operations during critical phases of flight nor disrupt routine aircraft operation (↓2.2.3, 2.19, 2.24.2).

[SC6.1]

The pilot of a TCAS-equipped aircraft must have the option to switch to the Traffic Advisory-Only Mode where TAs are displayed but display of resolution advisories is inhibited (↓2.2.3).

Assumption: This feature will be used during final approach to parallel runways, when two aircraft are projected to come close to each other and TCAS would call for an evasive maneuver.

[SC6.2]

The number and complexity of the controls must be reduced to a minimum consistent with safe system operation. Where possible, control functions should be performed automatically.

[SC6.3]

Aural alerts must be inhibited below 400 feet AGL and by a higher priority windshear or GPWS alert (↓2.74.6).

[SC6.4]

TCAS must prevent, as much as possible, maneuvering advisories being issued for planned close separation (approaches to parallel runways) (↓2.42).

[SC7]

TCAS must not create near misses (result in a hazardous level of vertical separation) that would not have occurred had the aircraft not carried TCAS.

[SC7.1]

Crossing maneuvers must be avoided if possible (↓2.36, 2.38, 2.48, 2.49.2).

[SC7.2]

The reversal of a displayed advisory must be extremely rare (↓2.51, 2.56.3, 2.65.3, 2.66).

[SC7.3]

TCAS must not reverse an advisory if the pilot will have insufficient time to respond to the RA before the closest point of approach (four seconds or less) or if own and intruder aircraft are separated by less than 200 feet vertically when 10 seconds or less remain to closest point of approach (↓2.52).

[SC8]

The system must not cause or contribute to a controlled maneuver into terrain.

[SC8.1]

TCAS must not issue a descend advisory when the aircraft is near the ground (↓2.49.1, ←Page 87).

[SC8.2]

Advisories must be chosen such that the aircraft flight profile will not fall below the standard glidepath (↓2.46).

[SC9]

TCAS must not cause or contribute to the pilot losing control of the aircraft (↓2.41).

[SC9.1]

TCAS must not command maneuvers that significantly reduce stall margins or result in stall warnings (↓2.39, 2.72.1).

[SC10]

TCAS must not interfere with other safety-related systems on the aircraft or contribute to non-separation-related hazards.

[SC10.1]

At low altitudes, TCAS must not interfere with the Ground Proximity Warning System (↓2.57.3).

[SC10.2]

TCAS must not interfere with the Windshear Alerting System.

[SC10.3]

The system must attempt to reduce RAs requiring the TCAS aircraft to maintain high vertical rates of climb or descent.

[SC11]

The design of the controls and displays must not contribute to safety-critical pilot errors.

[SC11.1]

The operation of controls intended for use during flight, in all possible combinations and sequences, must not result in a condition whose presence or continuation would be detrimental to the continued performance of TCAS or the safe behavior of the aircraft.

[SC11.2]

Controls that are not normally adjusted in flight must not be readily accessible to flight crew personnel.

[SC11.3]

Information must remain on the display for a minimum amount of time even if it is no longer relevant (↓2.21, 2.28.1, 2.50, 2.57.4).

[SC11.4]

The design of the display must not confuse the pilots (↓2.74, 2.75, 2.79).

Hazard Analysis

This section provides one example of a hazard analysis used within an intent specification. Other types of hazard analyses or analyses of other system-level properties (e.g., security) could and should also be part of an intent specification. More information about the identified hazards needs to be specified than we have included here.

We have reproduced and included, without changes or extensions except for notational changes, the TCAS fault tree created for the FAA by the MITRE Corporation in December 1983 (DOT/FAA/PM-83/36).

HAZARD: Near midair collision (NMAC).

An encounter for which, at the closest point of approach, the vertical separation is less than 100 ft and the horizontal separation is less than 500 ft.

NMACs can occur in either of two ways:

1. The aircraft can be on near collision course and TCAS II fails to provide resolution (the unresolved NMAC)
2. The aircraft can be in close proximity and TCAS II can induce a maneuver that degrades vertical separation to the extent that an NMAC occurs (the induced NMAC).

HAZARD: TCAS causes controlled maneuver into ground (e.g., descend command near terrain)

HAZARD: TCAS causes pilot to lose control of the aircraft.

HAZARD: TCAS interferes with other safety-related systems (e.g., interferes with ground proximity warning).

The MITRE study only identifies and analyses the first hazard (an NMAC) so that is all we include in this example FTA although the specified safety design constraints in the previous section were designed to control the other hazards also.

Theoretically, we would have links between every relevant fault tree box and the design constraints and design features related to them, to operational procedures designed to mitigate them, or an explanation of why the risk was judged acceptable. We found, however, that in many cases we were unable to find the mitigating design features or were unable to identify them from our limited technical understanding of the TCAS design and its intent.

Notational Explanation: We have changed the standard fault tree notation in this example. The standard format required too much space to be practical for such a large tree and to fit even reasonable chunks of the tree on standard size paper with the print large enough to be legible. Instead, indentation is used to denote the normal vertical refinement. Sentences with no special beginning and ending punctuation represent the information that would normally be inside a box. Diamonds (terminal nodes) are denoted by $\langle \dots \rangle$ and houses (normal events not refined further) by $[\dots]$. Statements connected by OR gates are grouped using a single dotted line while those connected by AND gates are denoted by a double dotted line. Links to other parts of the intent specification are printed in bold face, are denoted by pointers (\downarrow and \leftarrow), and are contained in boxes with rounded corners.

FAULT TREE ANALYSIS

Near Midair Collision (NMAC): Two aircraft come within 100' vertically with close horizontal proximity.

- OR
- Maneuver is required to avoid NMAC; pilot does not maneuver aircraft such that NMAC is avoided.
 - No maneuver is required to avoid NMAC; an untimely maneuver is made that results in an NMAC

A

B

A

Maneuver is required to avoid NMAC; pilot does not maneuver aircraft such that NMAC is avoided.

- 5 Controller instructions (if any) do not lead pilot to maneuver aircraft so as to avoid NMAC.
 - 10 Controller does not issue any instruction. A1
 - 15 <Controller issues an instruction that the pilot does not receive.>
 - 20 <Controller issues an instruction that the pilot may receive but does not follow.>
 - 25 <Controller issues an instruction that does not avoid the NMAC.>
- 30 Pilot does not maneuver the aircraft so as to avoid the NMAC based on his perception (if any) of the conflict.
 - 35 Pilot does not maneuver aircraft so as to avoid NMAC based on his own evaluation
 - 40 Pilot does not realize there is a conflict. A2
 - 45 Pilot realizes there is a conflict but does not maneuver aircraft to avoid the NMAC. A3
 - 50 <Pilot realizes there is a conflict but cannot avoid it due to aircraft system failure.>
 - 55 Pilot does not avoid NMAC by the use of a TCAS resolution advisory.
 - 60 TCAS does not display a resolution advisory. A4
 - 65 TCAS displays a resolution advisory but not in time to avoid NMAC. A5
 - 70 TCAS displays a resolution advisory that the pilot does not follow. A6
 - 75 TCAS displays a resolution advisory that will not avoid the NMAC. A7

A1

Controller does not issue any instruction

80 Controller does not perceive the conflict.

85 Conflict alert does not cause controller to perceive conflict.

90 No conflict alert is displayed.

95 [Threat is non-transponder aircraft.]

100 <Computer systems fail.>

105 <Encounter is beyond conflict alert capabilities.>

110 <Controller believes conflict alert is a false alarm.>

115 <Controller does not perceive the conflict from his flight information.>

120 <Controller perceives the conflict, but cannot devise a resolution advisory.>

125 <Controller perceives the conflict and may be able to devise a resolution advisory,
but does not have the time.>

A2

Pilot does not realize there is a conflict.

- 130 Pilot does not realize there is a conflict (by visual "see and avoid) unaided by TCAS.
- 135 <Visual conditions inadequate>
- 140 Crew is not looking for the threat.
- 145 <Crew is relying on TCAS to identify potential threats. => OP.7
- 150 <Crew is preoccupied.>
- 155 <Crew may be looking but the threat is not in view.>
- 160 <Crew sees the threat but does not perceive that there is a conflict.>
- 165 <Pilot does not perceive that there is a conflict from monitoring voice communications.>
- 170 Pilot does not realize that there is a conflict from a TCAS traffic advisory.
- 175 TCAS does not display a traffic advisory. A8
- 180 <Crew does not perceive the traffic advisory>
- 185 <Crew does not perceive the conflict the traffic advisory indicates.>

A3

Pilot realizes there is a conflict but does not maneuver aircraft as to avoid the NMAC.

190 : Pilot cannot select a maneuver.

195 : [Inadequate visual conditions (not bright daylight.)]

200 : Pilot does not make a maneuver in time to avoid NMAC.

205 : <Has not visually acquired the threat.>

210 : <Selects and executes a maneuver too late.>

⇒ **OP.10**

215 : Pilot takes an action that does not avoid NMAC.

220 : <Pilot did not avoid NMAC because he visualized the situation incorrectly.>

225 : <Pilot did not avoid NMAC because he misinterpreted voice communications.>

230 : Pilot did not avoid NMAC because of information provided on the TA display.

*(Extended development of this fault was not done by MITRE
as it was judged to be a human factors-dependent fault.)*

A4

TCAS does not display a resolution advisory.

235 TCAS unit is not providing RAs.

240 <Self-monitor shuts down TCAS unit.>

245 Sensitivity level set such that no RAs are displayed.

250 <Own altitude less than 500 feet AGL.>

255 <Pilot selects sensitivity level less than 4 manually.>

260 <Mode S uplink selects sensitivity level less than 4.>

265 No RA inputs are provided to the display.

270 No RA is generated by the logic.

275 Inputs do not satisfy RA criteria.

280 Surveillance puts threat outside corrective RA position.

285 Surveillance does not pass adequate track to the logic.

290 [Threat is non-Mode C aircraft.] ⇒ L.5

295 <Surveillance failure.>

300 <Surveillance error causes incorrect range/range rate to be calculated.>

305 Altitude reports put threat outside corrective RA position.

310 Altitude errors put threat on ground.

320 <Uneven terrain.> ↓ 2.19

315 <Intruder altitude error.>

325 <Own Mode C altitude error.> ⇒ 1.23.1

330 <Own radar altimeter error.> ⇒ 1.23.1

335 Altitude errors put threat in non-threat position.

340 <Own altitude error.> ⇒ 1.23.1

345 <Intruder altitude error.>

350 <Intruder maneuver causes logic to delay RA beyond CPA.> ⇒ SC4.2 ↓ 2.35

355 <Undetected logic design flaw.>

360 <Logic is coded incorrectly.>

365 <Processing hardware failure.> ⇒ 1.23.1

370 <Processor/display connectors fail.>

375 <Display is preempted by other functions.> ⇒ SC4.8 ↓ 2.22

380 <Display hardware fails.> ⇒ 1.23.1

A5

TCAS displays an RA but not in time to avoid NMAC.

385 RA is delayed beyond time when maneuver can avoid NMAC.

390 Conflict was created late.

395 : <Own aircraft's motion created the conflict.> ↓ 2.51, 2.71.3, 2.71.4

400 : <Intruder aircraft's motion created the conflict.> → SC4.2

405 TCAS was enabled to issue resolution advisories in the midst of the conflict. ⇒ L.8

410 : <Own aircraft was in a conflict when TCAS enabled to issue RAs>

415 AND : TCAS enabled to issue RAs.

420 : <TCAS was just turned on in any 25 second period.>

425 : <Own altitude increases to the point where RAs are enabled.>

430 : <Mode S ground station enables RAs.>

435 : <Pilot switches sensitivity level to enable RAs.>

440 TCAS acquired track in the midst of a conflict.

445 : <Own aircraft in a conflict when TCAS acquired track>

450 AND : TCAS acquires track late.

455 : <Aircraft previously judged "on ground" is now judged "in air.">

460 : <Intruder transponder just turned on.>

465 : <Interference-limiting feature previously eliminated threat.>

470 : <Intruder motion not within limits expected by Mode S surveillance.>

475 : <Surveillance acquired late.>

480 Low firmness delays RA. ↓ 2.35, 2.36.3

485 : Altitude credibility tests rejected reports.

490 : <Noisy surveillance data.>

495 : <Stuck Mode C bit.>

500 : <Intruder acceleration exceeds that expected.>

505 : <Intruder was perceived to be maneuvering.>

A6

TCAS displays a resolution advisory that the pilot does not follow.

- 510 Pilot does not execute the RA at all. → **OP.2**
- 515 Crew does not perceive RA alarm.
- 520 <Inadequate alarm design.> ⇒ **1.4 to 1.14** ↓ **2.75, 2.76**
- 525 <Crew is preoccupied.>
- 530 <Crew does not believe RA is correct.> → **OP.1**
- 535 Pilot must clear his airspace before maneuvering, but cannot.
- 540 <Pilot cannot clear his airspace due to visibility (IMC, glaring sun, ...)>
- 545 <Pilot can clear his airspace (good VMC) but is unable>
- 550 Pilot executes the RA but inadequately.
- 555 <Pilot stops before RA is removed.> → **OP.10**
- 560 <Pilot continues beyond point RA is removed.> → **OP.4, OP.10**
- 565 <Pilot delays execution beyond time allowed.> → **OP.10**

A7

TCAS displays a resolution advisory that does not avoid the NMAC.

570 : <TCAS is not shut down by self-monitor or sensitivity level>

575 : <TCAS generates for display a resolution advisory that will not avoid the NMAC.>

580 : Own TCAS generates an incorrect RA.

585 : RA is removed before aircraft is out of NMAC

590 : : <RA is given with incorrect sense and removed before altitude crossing +100'>

595 : : <RA is given with correct sense and removed before aircraft is out of NMAC.>

600 : : <Standard vertical rate is insufficient to achieve 100' separation.>

605 : TCAS receives (via coordination link) an incorrect RA complement.

610 : : [Threat is TCAS equipped.]

615 : : <Threat generates an incorrect RA.>

A8

TCAS does not display a traffic advisory.

620 TCAS unit is not providing traffic advisories.

625 : Sensitivity level set such that no TAs are provided.

630 : [Pilot sets sensitivity level manually.]

635 : [Mode S ground sensor sets sensitivity level.]

640 : <Self-monitor shuts down TCAS unit.>

645 No TA inputs are provided to the display.

650 : No traffic advisory is generated by the logic.

655 : Inputs do not satisfy threat criteria

660 : Surveillance does not provide a track that passes range test.

665 : Surveillance does not pass adequate track to the logic.

670 : <Threat is non-Mode C aircraft.>

675 : <Surveillance failure.>

680 : <Surveillance fault causes incorrect range/range rate to be calculated.>

685 : Altitude reporting causes threat not to be judged a threat.

690 : [Threat is altitude-encoding aircraft]

695 : Threat is judged not to be a threat by altitude tests.

700 : <Threat is judged to be on ground.>

705 : <Threat is judged to pass with greater than ZTHR separation.>

710 : <Undetected logic design flaw.>

715 : <Logic is coded incorrectly.>

720 : <Processing hardware fails.> => 1.23.1

725 : <Processor/display connectors fail.>

730 Display limitation prevents display of threat

735 : <Multiple threats cause this one to be eliminated.> => SC4.8 ↓ 2.22

740 : <Intruder overlaps own-aircraft symbol.>

745 : <Other function preempts display.>

750 : <Display hardware fails.> => 1.23.1

B

No maneuver is required to avoid NMAC; an untimely maneuver is made that results in an NMAC.

755

Own aircraft makes an untimely maneuver.

760

Pilot maneuvers aircraft because of instruction provided to him.

765

Pilot is issued an instruction that will lead to NMAC. B1

770

Pilot follows the instruction because he does not see it will lead to an NMAC. B2

775

Pilot maneuvers aircraft because of his own evaluation of the situation.

780

Pilot evaluates the situation and selects an untimely maneuver. B3

785

TCAS traffic advisory (if any) does not show the maneuver is incorrect. B4

790

No system independent of the pilot corrects own aircraft's maneuver before the NMAC occurs.

795

Controller does not transmit a corrective instruction. B5

800

TCAS does not display a resolution advisory that corrects.

805

TCAS does not display a resolution advisory. A4

810

TCAS displays a resolution advisory but not in time to avoid NMAC. A5

815

TCAS displays a resolution advisory that the pilot does not follow. A6

820

TCAS displays a resolution advisory that will not avoid the NMAC. A7

825

TCAS displays a resolution advisory that would avoid NMAC except the threat maneuvers. B6

830

TCAS does not issue an "Advisory Not OK."

(This branch was not completed in the MITRE fault tree.)

B1

Pilot is issued an instruction that will lead to NMAC.

835 : <Incorrect instruction is transmitted by Controller>

840 : TCAS displays an RA that will lead to NMAC.

845 : <TCAS is not shut down by self monitor or sensitivity level>

850 : TCAS generates for display an RA that will lead to NMAC.

↓ 2.67

855 : Altitude error causes wrong sense RA that leads to NMAC.

860 : <Wrong sense RA is chosen>

865 : Pilot stops following RA within 100 feet of threat

→ OP.10

870 : <RA is removed within 100 feet of threat due to altimetry error.>

⇒ 1.23.1

875 : <RA is removed before NMAC; pilots follows it until within 100' of threat.>

880 : <RA is removed after altitude crossing; pilot stops following it within 100' of threat, before it is removed.>

885 : <C-bit error causes incorrect RA to be generated.>

890 : <RA based on apparent trajectory is thwarted by intruder maneuver>

↓ 2.57.5

895 : False track causes spurious RA, which leads to NMAC with real aircraft.

900 : <False track causes spurious RA>

905 : <Spurious RA leads to NMAC with real aircraft.>

B2

Pilot follows the instruction because he does not see it will lead to an NMAC.

910 Visual acquisition does not show the instruction is incorrect.

915 Pilot does not visually acquire other aircraft.

920 Pilot doesn't acquire visually without TCAS aid.

925 [No TA is displayed.]

930 <Pilot doesn't acquire other aircraft unaided>

935 Pilot doesn't acquire visually with TCAS aid.

940 [TA is displayed.]

945 <Pilot doesn't acquire other aircraft aided by TCAS>

950 <Pilot acquires other aircraft but does not take corrective action.>

955 <Voice communications monitored do not show the instruction is incorrect.>

960 TCAS TA display does not show the instruction is incorrect.

965 No traffic advisory is being displayed.

970 [No aircraft is currently a threat.]

975 Aircraft that should be judged a threat is not displayed.

980 <Aircraft is a threat.>

985 Aircraft that is a threat is not displayed.

A8

990 <Pilot does not use his TCAS display to check whether the instruction is correct.>

995 Threat and proximity (if any) advisory does not show the instruction is incorrect.

1000 <TCAS displays a threat advisory>

1005 Threat and proximity advisory shown does not show the instruction incorrect.

B7

1010 <Pilot does not realize that the display shows the instruction is incorrect.>

1015 TCAS is not displaying a preventive RA against the maneuver.

A4

B3

Pilot evaluates the situation and selects an untimely maneuver.

1020 : <Pilot maneuvers for reasons other than separation assurance.>

1025 : Pilot maneuvers off non-NMAC trajectory for separation assurance.

1035 : <Pilot perceives conflict from non-TCAS source and maneuvers into NMAC.>

1040 : TCAS provides a TA indicating a conflict that the pilot uses to maneuver into NMAC.

1045 : <Pilot decides to maneuver based on a TCAS TA only>

→ **OP.9**

1050 : <TCAS displays a traffic advisory.>

1055 : Pilot selects an inappropriate maneuver based on TCAS TA display.

(This branch was not further expanded by MITRE as it was judged to be a human factors-dependent fault.)

B4

TCAS traffic advisory (if any) does not show the maneuver is incorrect.

1060 <Pilot does not use his TA display to check whether the instruction is correct.>

1065 No traffic advisory is being displayed.

1070 [No aircraft is current a threat.]

1075 Aircraft that is a threat is not displayed.

1080 <Aircraft is currently a threat.>

1085 Aircraft that is a threat is not displayed.

A1

1090 Traffic advisory being displayed does not show the instruction is incorrect.

1095 <TCAS displays a traffic advisory.>

1100 Traffic advisory displayed does not show the instruction is incorrect.

B7

1105 <Pilot does not see that the display shows the instruction is incorrect.>

B5

Controller does not transmit a corrective instruction.

1110 : <Controller does not see conflict and generate an instruction.>

1115 : Conflict alert does not cause controller to see conflict and generate a resolution

1120 : <Controller believes the conflict alert displayed is a false alarm.>

1125 : No conflict alert is displayed to the controller.

1130 : <Not enough time for conflict alert to perceive conflict and generate alert.>

1135 : [Newly created threat is a non-transponder aircraft.]

1140 : <Other conflict alert fault.>

B6

TCAS issues an RA that would avoid NMAC except the threat maneuvers.

1145 Threat maneuvers after RA is issued and neither the pilot nor TCAS corrects. ↓ 2.2.2

1150 : <Threat maneuvers sufficient to counter RA> ↓ 2.36, 2.38

1155 : Neither the pilot nor TCAS recognizes the situation and corrects.

1160 : Pilot does not recognize the situation.

1165 : Does not see it (visual).

1170 : <IMC (if RAs allowed in IMC)>

1175 : <Assumes RA OK>

1180 : <Cannot acquire threat.>

1185 : Does not see it from TA display.

1190 : <Not monitoring the display.>

1195 : <Display does not show it.>

1200 : <Cannot tell that display shows it.>

1205 : TCAS does not tell pilot that advisory is not adequate.

1210 : <TCAS does not issue "Advisory Not OK">

1215 : <Pilot fails to perceive alarm.>

1220 : Pilot becomes aware of the situation but cannot correct

1225 : <Not enough time to maneuver.>

1230 : <Cannot devise a maneuver.>

1235 : Other aircraft (different than threat) involved in NMAC.

B7

Traffic and proximity advisories do not show the instruction is incorrect.

1240 TCAS did not display the proximate aircraft own will maneuver into.

1245 : No proximity inputs are provided to the display.

1250 : : No TA is displayed.

1255 : : : <No TA should be displayed.>

1260 : : : <No TA is displayed when one should be> A8

1265 : : TA is displayed but proximate aircraft is not.

1270 : : : <No proximity advisory should be displayed.>

1275 : : : Proximity advisory should be displayed but is not.

1280 : : : : Inputs do not satisfy proximity advisory criteria.

1285 : : : : : Surveillance does not pass a track to the logic that is within proximity range.

1290 : : : : : : Surveillance does not pass adequate track to logic.

1295 : : : : : : : <Threat is non-Mode C aircraft>

1300 : : : : : : : <Surveillance failure.> ↓ 2.51

1305 : : : : : : : <Surveillance provides incorrect range.>

1310 : : : : : : : Altitude reports pass a relative altitude that does not satisfy proximity criterion.

1315 : : : : : : : [Threat is Mode C aircraft

1320 : : : : : : : AND : : Threat is judged not proximate

1325 : : : : : : : : <Threat is judged "on the ground.">

1330 : : : : : : : : <Threat is judged to be 1200' away vertically.>

1335 : : : : : : : : <Undetected logic design flaw.>

1340 : : : : : : : : <Logic is coded incorrectly.>

1345 : : : : : : : : <Processing hardware fails.> → 1.23.1

1350 : : : : : : : : Display limitation prevents display of the proximate aircraft.

1355 : : : : : : : : : <Multiple aircraft cause this one to be eliminated.> → SC4.8 ↓ 2.22

1360 : : : : : : : : : <Proximate aircraft overlaps own aircraft symbol.>

1365 : : : : : : : : : <Processing hardware fails.> → 1.23.1

1370 : : : : : : : : <Display hardware failure.> → 1.23.1

1375 : : : : : : : : Displays show the proximate aircraft but in the wrong location.

1380 : : : : : : : : : <Displays its bearing incorrectly.>

1385 : : : : : : : : : <Displays its range incorrectly.>

1390 : : : : : : : : : <Displays its relative altitude incorrectly.>

Level 2

System Design Principles

This level answers the question “why” for the design decisions in the level below and presents any basic principles upon which the system design depends. It also describes how the requirements above will be achieved (i.e., it contains the derived requirements) and how the constraints will be enforced. We have used English to provide this information for TCAS as it appears to be the most appropriate for this particular system. However, other types of engineering notations could be used, e.g., a combination of Laplace diagrams and English might be most appropriate for specifying the design and rationale behind the design of some types of control algorithms.

General Description

When airborne, TCAS periodically transmits interrogation signals. These interrogations are received by Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System (ATCRBS) or Mode S altitude reporting transponders. In reply to the interrogations, the transponder transmits a signal that reports its altitude. TCAS computes the range of the intruding aircraft by using the round-trip time between the transmission of the interrogation and the receipt of the reply.

Altitude, altitude rate, range, and range rate are determined by tracking the reply information. These data, together with the current TCAS sensitivity level (which specifies the protected volume around the aircraft) are used to determine whether the intruding aircraft is a threat. Each threat aircraft is processed individually to permit selection of the minimum safe resolution advisory based on track data and coordination with other TCAS-equipped aircraft.

If the TCAS threat detection logic determines that a proximate aircraft represents a potential collision or near-miss encounter, TCAS determines the appropriate vertical maneuver that will ensure the safe separation of the TCAS aircraft. The appropriate maneuver is one that ensures adequate vertical separation while causing the least deviation of the TCAS aircraft from its current vertical rate.

If the threat aircraft is itself equipped with TCAS equipment that generates resolution advisories, a coordination procedure via the air-to-air Mode S data link is performed before displaying the advisory to the pilot. This procedure assures that the aircraft resolution advisories are compatible.

Two categories of *resolution advisories* can be displayed to the pilot: (1) *corrective advisories* direct the pilot to deviate from the current flight path (i.e., to alter the vertical speed of the aircraft to ensure safe separation from nearby traffic in the vertical plane (e.g., DON'T CLIMB when the aircraft is climbing); and (2) *preventive advisories* requiring no immediate action but warning the crew not to climb, descend, or adjust vertical speed due to nearby traffic (e.g., DON'T CLIMB when the aircraft is in level flight).

The *traffic advisories* displayed to the pilot describe the positions of proximate aircraft that are, or could become, collision threats. The display of traffic advisories

alerts the flight crew to the presence of threats, or potential threats, and may improve the ability of the crew to respond to subsequent resolution advisories. In addition, traffic advisories may improve the ability of the flight crew to acquire the traffic visually.

TCAS has the capacity to communicate with the ground-based air traffic control system when a ground-based Mode S sensor equipped with the necessary complementary features has been installed. TCAS can provide the Mode S ground system with the resolution advisories that are displayed to the pilot. These resolution advisories may be displayed to the air traffic controller if desired. In addition, airborne TCAS equipment can receive sensitivity-level commands from ground-based Mode S sensors. (To date, such ground-based facilities have not been used.)

TCAS System Components

Figure 2.1 shows the TCAS II system components.

Mode S/TCAS Control Panel: This panel selects and controls all TCAS elements including the Surveillance and Collision Avoidance System (CAS) logic, the Mode S transponder, and the TCAS displays. Control information is provided to the surveillance and CAS logic via the Mode S transponder (↑Page 7).

Mode S Transponder: The Mode S transponder performs the normal ATC functions of existing Mode A and C transponders. Because of its selective address capability, the Mode S transponder is used also to provide air-to-air data exchange between TCAS-equipped aircraft to ensure coordinated, complementary resolution advisories (↑Page 9).

Surveillance and Collision Avoidance System Logic: This component performs airspace surveillance (→Page 69), intruder and own aircraft tracking (→77), threat detection and resolution (→Page 83), and advisory generation (→Page 89). Pressure and radar altimeter inputs (↑Page 9), and other aircraft configuration discrete (↑Page 9) inputs (not shown in Figure 1), are used to control the collision avoidance logic parameters that determine the protection volume around the TCAS aircraft (→2.2). If a tracked aircraft is a collision threat, the collision avoidance logic selects the best avoidance maneuver. If the threat aircraft is also equipped with TCAS II or III, this maneuver is coordinated with the threat aircraft's maneuver.

Antennas: The antennas used by TCAS II include a directional antenna that is mounted on top of the aircraft. Typically, this antenna transmits interrogations on 1030 MegaHerz (MHz) at varying power levels in each of four 90 deg azimuth segments. Transponder replies are received on 1090 MHz and are sent to the TCAS surveillance component. The directional antenna permits the partitioning of replies to reduce synchronous garbling (↑SC5.1, →2.10). Figure 2.1 shows an

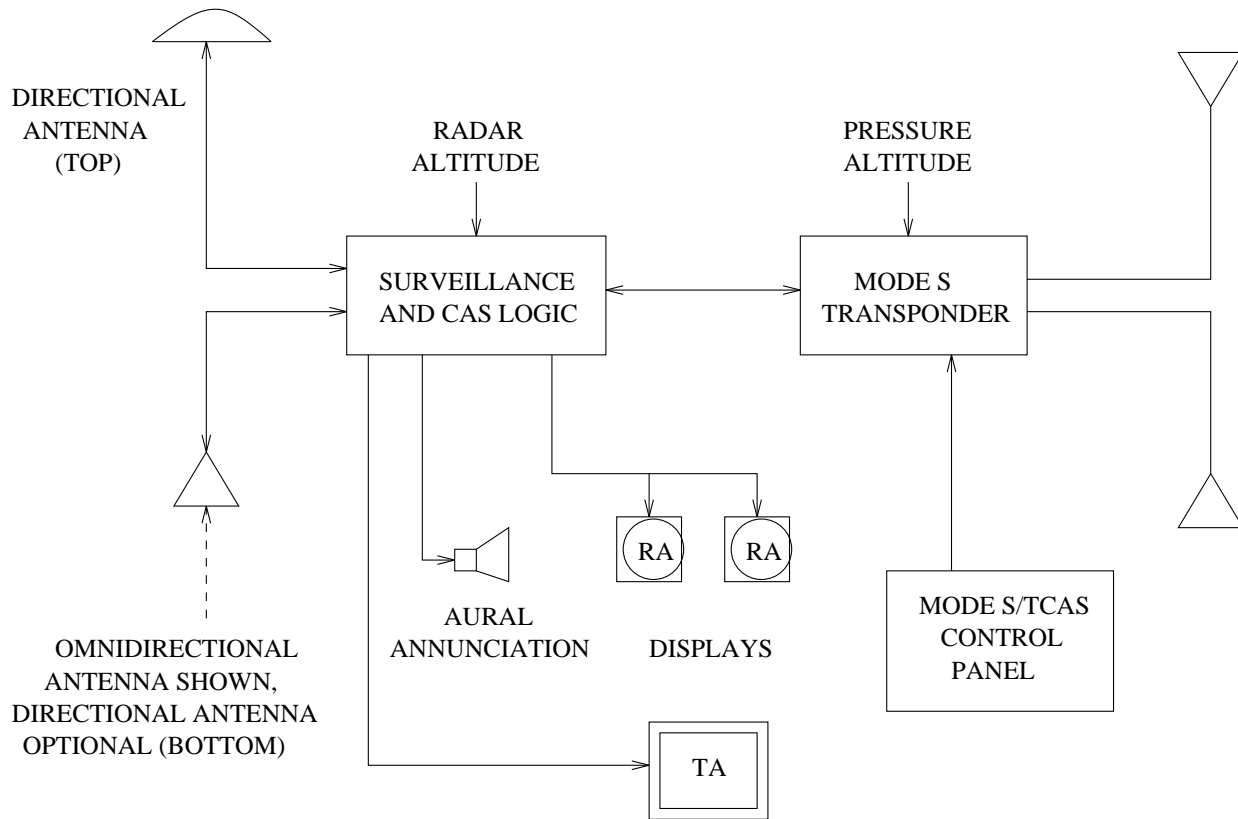


Figure 2.1: TCAS II Component Diagram

omnidirectional transmitting and receiving antenna mounted on the bottom of the aircraft to provide range and altitude data on intruders that are below the TCAS aircraft (↑1.21.1). An optional directional antenna may be used on the bottom to obtain bearing information on these targets (↑Page 7).

The Mode S transponder is interrogated on 1030 MHz and responds on 1090 MHz, selectively using its upper and lower antennas to optimize signal strength and reduce multipath interference (↑SC5.1, →2.12).

Traffic Advisory Display: The traffic advisory (TA) display depicts the position of the traffic relative to the TCAS aircraft, to assist the pilot in visually acquiring intruding aircraft (↑Page 16, →Page 106). This display can be either a dedicated TCAS display or a joint-use weather radar and traffic display. Alternatively, in some aircraft the TA display will be an electronic flight instrument system (EFIS) or flat-panel display that combines traffic and resolution advisory information on the same scope face.

A number of manufacturer options are allowed for the TA display that will satisfy the official TCAS requirements. Displays can be operated continuously or they may be activated only when TCAS detects an intruding aircraft or when the pilot wants to check the traffic situation. Displays can allow pilot selection of display range and altitude band or can be restricted to one range and one altitude band.

Resolution Advisory Display: The resolution advisory (RA) display is a standard Vertical Speed Indicator (VSI), modified to indicate the vertical rate that must be achieved to maintain safe separation from threatening aircraft (→Page 107). The RA display contains segmented red and green eyebrow lights around the vertical speed scale.

When an RA is generated, TCAS II lights up the appropriate segments of the display. Flying to keep the VSI needle out of the red segments complies with the resolution advisory (↑1.8).

Normally, there will be two RA displays, one for the Captain and one for the First Officer (↑OP.13). In some cases, the TA and RA displays will be combined, i.e., traffic information is shown in the center portion of an electronically displayed VSI.

Aural Annunciation: Displayed traffic and resolution advisories are supplemented by synthetic voice advisories generated by the TCAS computer (↑1.4, →Page 105). The words TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC are annunciated at the time of the traffic advisory, which directs the pilot to look at the TA display to locate the intruding aircraft (↑1.6). If the encounter does not resolve itself, a resolution advisory is annunciated, e.g., CLIMB, CLIMB, CLIMB (↑1.6). At this point, the pilot adjusts or maintains the vertical rate of the aircraft to keep the VSI needle out of the red segments (↑1.8).

Surveillance and Collision Avoidance Logic

General Concepts

[2.1]

ALIM: ALIM is the desired or “adequate” amount of separation between aircraft that TCAS is designed to meet. This amount varies from 400 to 700 feet, depending on own aircraft’s altitude. ALIM includes allowances to account for intruder and own altimetry errors and vertical tracking uncertainties that affect track projections (↑L.2). The value of ALIM increases with altitude to reflect increased altimetry error (↑SC4.5) and the need to increase tracked separation at higher altitudes.

[2.2]

Protected Volume: Each TCAS-equipped aircraft is surrounded by a protected volume of airspace. The size of the protected volume depends on the speeds and headings of the aircraft involved and also on a selected sensitivity level. The dimensions are not based on actual distance, but rather on the time to closest point of approach, as defined by the *tau* and DMOD criteria.

[2.2.1]

Tau (range/range rate) concept: In collision avoidance, time-to-go to the closest point of approach (CPA) is more important than distance-to-go to the CPA. *Tau* is an approximation of the time in seconds to CPA. *Tau* equals 3600 times the slant range in nmi, divided by the closing speed in knots.

$$\frac{3600 \times \text{slant-range}}{\text{closing-speed}}$$

Note that 3600 is used because *tau* is given in seconds while closing speed is specified in knots.

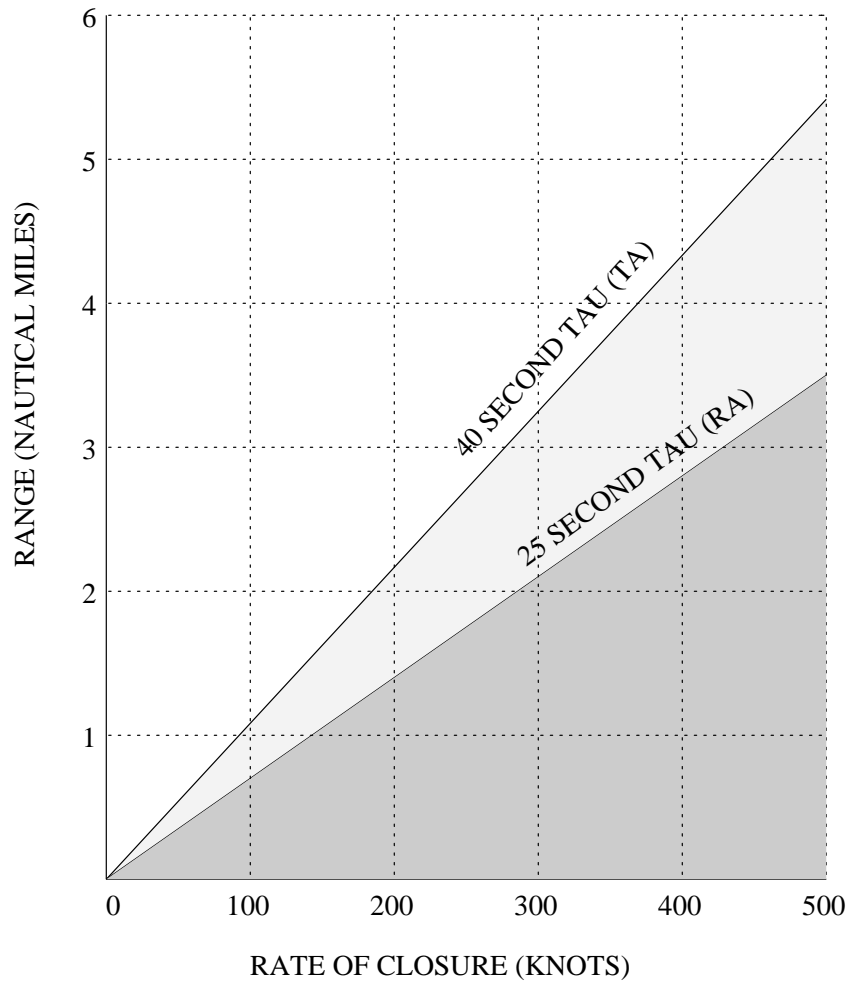


Figure 2.2: TA/RA τ Values for Sensitivity Level 5

TCAS II is based on the τ concept for all alerting functions. As an example, Figure 2.2 shows the combinations of range and closure rate that would trigger a TA with a 40-second τ and an RA with a 25-second τ . These TA and RA τ values correspond to SL (sensitivity level) 5.

[2.2.2]

DMOD: If the rate of closure is very low, a target could slip in very close without crossing the τ boundaries and triggering a TA or an RA. In order to provide added protection against a possible maneuver or speed change by either aircraft (\uparrow FTA-1145), the τ boundaries are modified (see Figure 2.3). This modification is called DMOD. DMOD

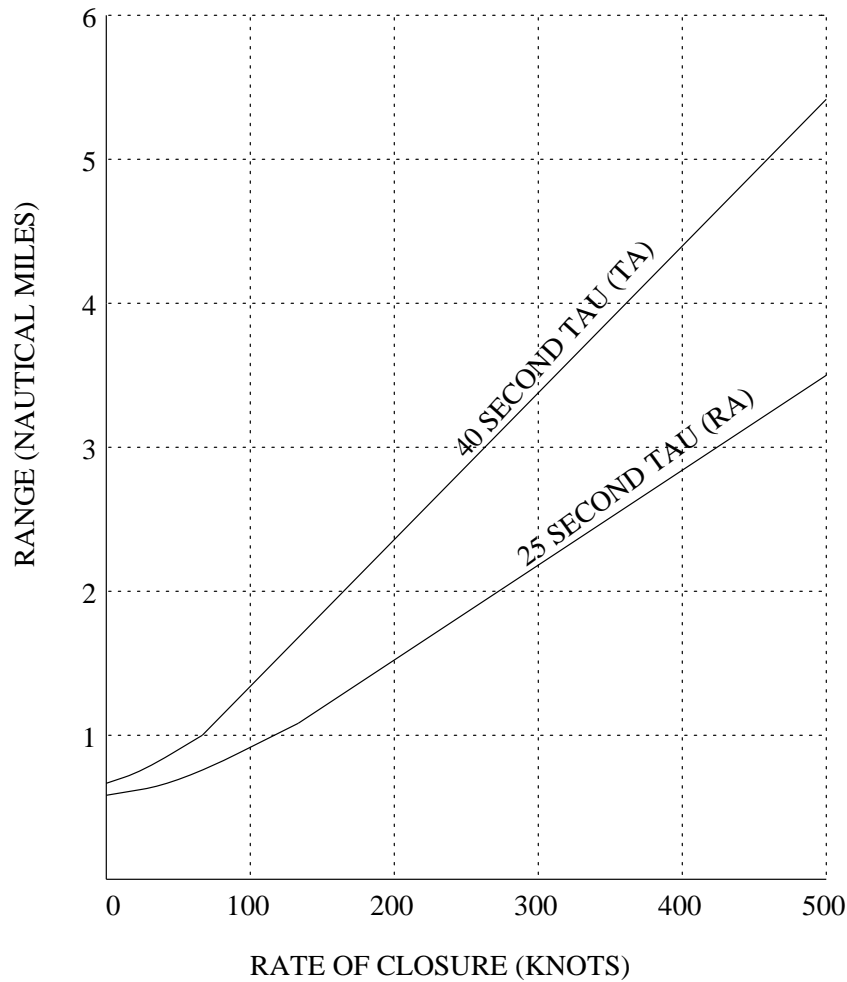


Figure 2.3: TA/RA τ Values for Sensitivity Level 5

varies depending on own aircraft's altitude regime (\rightarrow 2.2.4).

[2.2.3]

Sensitivity level: Tradeoffs must be made between necessary protection and unnecessary advisories (\uparrow 1.18, SC5, SC6). This is accomplished by controlling the sensitivity level (SL), which controls the τ , and therefore the dimensions of the protected airspace around each TCAS-equipped aircraft. The greater the SL, the more protection is provided but the higher is the incidence of unnecessary alerts. Progressively smaller sensitivity levels can be selected as a TCAS-equipped aircraft enters low-altitude or terminal airspace (\uparrow OP.6, SC6.1).

The three primary means that TCAS uses to determine the operating SL

are ground-based Mode S sensor selection (not in use in U.S. airspace), pilot switch selection, and altitude. In addition, aircraft discretely are used that indicate if own aircraft is on the ground and if display of traffic is allowed on the ground. There are 7 sensitivity levels:

Level 1: The TCAS unit is not operating (is in a standby mode). This does not place the transponder(s) on board the TCAS aircraft in a standby condition, but no interrogations are transmitted.

Assumption: This level will normally be used by the pilot when the aircraft is on the ground.

Level 2: TA-ONLY mode in which only traffic advisories, not resolution advisories, are issued. The equipment performs all surveillance functions and provides TAs but not RAs. TCAS will select the appropriate level using other inputs, such as barometric and radio altitude. In this way, TCAS will generate traffic advisories at the thresholds appropriate for the altitude regime of own aircraft. The pilot can select SL 2 or it is automatically selected when the TCAS aircraft is between 0 and 500 feet above ground level (AGL) as indicated by the radar altimeter.

Assumption: This mode will generally be used by the pilot to avoid unnecessary distractions while at low altitudes on final approach to an airport (↑SC6.1).

Levels 3–7: TAs and RAs are generated in these modes. Table 2 shows the altitude thresholds at which TCAS automatically changes its SL selection and the associated *tau* values for altitude-reporting aircraft. SL 4 uses inputs from the radar altimeter, and SLs 5, 6, and 7 use the height above mean sea level (MSL) as indicated by the barometric altimeter. SL 3 cannot be selected automatically at this time—it is reserved for possible future use in areas where further decreases in sensitivity are required.

Table 2. Sensitivity Level Selection Based on Altitude

Altitude	Sensitivity Level	Tau Values in Seconds	
		TA	RA
0-500' AGL	2	20	n.a.
500-2500 AGL	4	35	20
2500-10000 MSL	5	40	25
10000-20000 MSL	6	45	30
Above 20000 MSL	7	48	35

[2.2.4]

Dimensions of the Protected Volume: For encounter geometries involving low vertical closure rates (↑SC4.6), the vertical dimension of the protected volume for TAs is 1200 feet above and below the altitude of own aircraft. The vertical dimension for RAs (called ZTHR) varies from 750 to 950 feet depending on own aircraft's altitude regime (see Figure 2.4. For high vertical closure rates, a TA or RA would be triggered when the predicted time to co-altitude drops below the *tau* values shown in Table 2 and in Figure 2.4 (↑1.18).

Surveillance

Mode S Surveillance

[2.3]

TCAS listens for the spontaneous transmissions (*squitters*) generated by Mode S transponders. The squitter transmissions contain the individual Mode S address of the sender.

[2.4]

When TCAS receives a squitter message, it sends a Mode S interrogation to the Mode S address contained in the message, and, from the reply, determines range, bearing, and (if available) altitude of the Mode S aircraft. Altitude of Mode S targets can also be determined by listening for Mode S replies generated in response to Mode S interrogations by ground stations or by other TCAS aircraft.

[2.5]

TCAS tracks the range and altitude of each Mode S target (↑1.18). These target reports are provided to the collision avoidance logic for advisory detection and display. A relative bearing track is also provided for presentation on the traffic advisory display, but is not necessary for threat detection or resolution because TCAS currently provides resolution advisories only in the vertical direction (↑1.22.2).

[2.5.1]

The rate at which a Mode S aircraft is interrogated by TCAS depends on its range and closing speed. The interrogation rate increases to once per second when the aircraft warrants a traffic advisory (↑1.19, SC2.1).

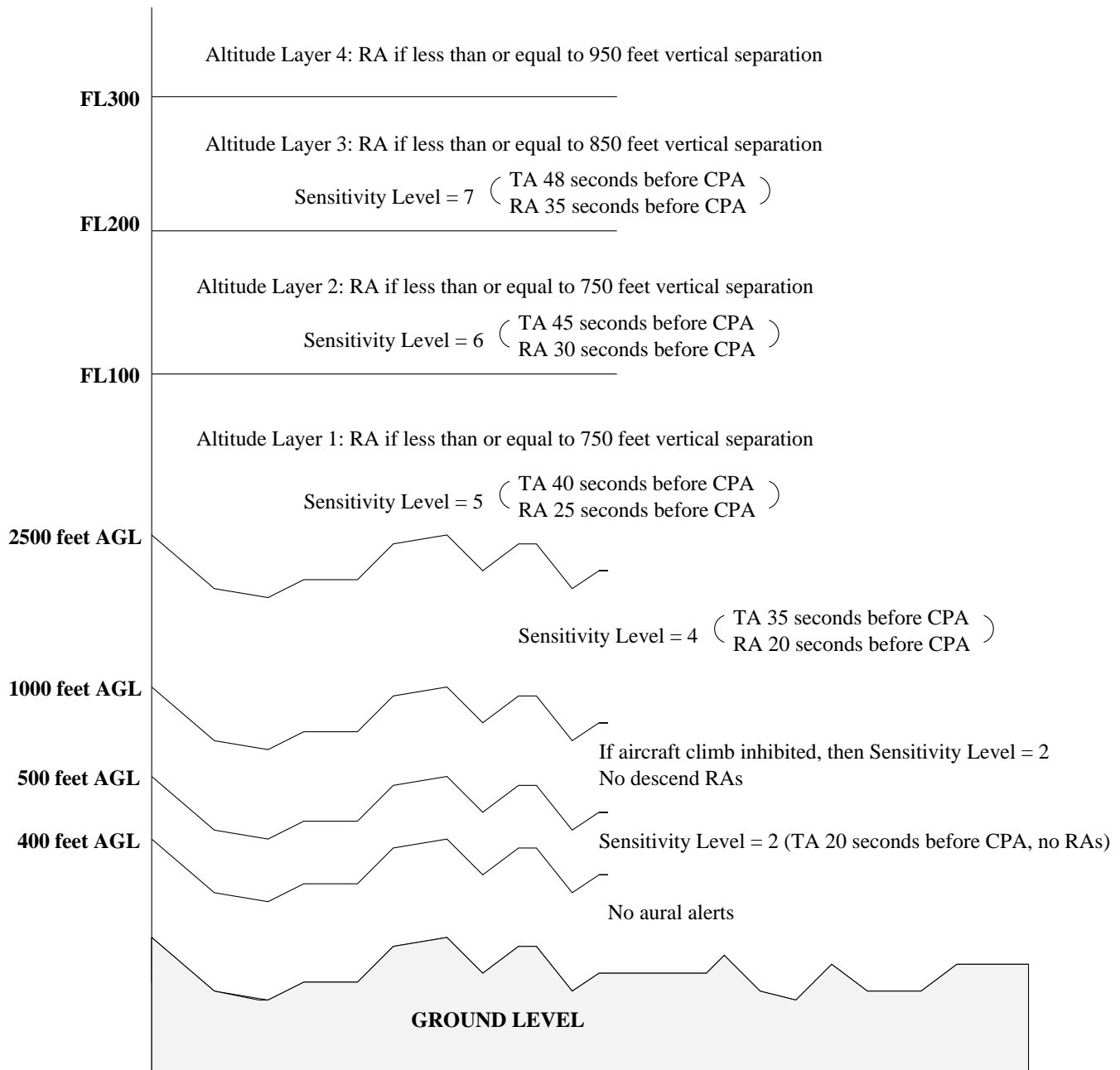


Figure 2.4: The relationship between altitude and sensitivity level

[2.5.2]

Resolution advisories are issued only against Mode S targets whose predicted positions penetrate the threat boundaries within six surveillance update intervals following the receipt of the last valid reply to a tracking interrogation (↑SC5). For Mode S targets whose predicted positions penetrate the threat boundaries more than six surveillance update intervals following the receipt of the last reply to a tracking interrogation, RAs are displayed only if the target again satisfies the range acquisition criteria.

[2.5.3]

Once a track is dropped, the Mode S address of the target is retained for four seconds to shorten the reacquisition process if squitters are again received.

Mode A and Mode C Surveillance

[2.6]

TCAS interrogates Mode A/C transponders at a normal rate of once per second, using a modified Mode C interrogation (named Mode C only all-call) (↑SC2, SC2.1.1). Mode A transponder targets reply with no data in the altitude field. TCAS uses the framing pulses of the reply to initiate and maintain a range and bearing track on these targets.

[2.7]

Range and bearing information from Mode A transponders is used by the collision avoidance logic for traffic advisory detection and display. Range and bearing information from Mode C transponders is used by the CAS logic for TA and RA detection and display (↑1.20).

[2.8]

Surveillance Initiation Criteria: The following conditions are necessary for generating RAs for ATCRBS targets:

1. Initially, a mode C reply is received from the target in each of three consecutive surveillance update periods, and
 - a. The replies do not correlate with surveillance replies from other tracks.
 - b. The range rate indicated by the two most recent replies is less than 1200 ft.

- c. The oldest reply is consistent with the above range rate in the sense that its range lies within 312.5 feet of a straight line passing through the two most recent replies
 - d. The replies correlate with each other in their altitude code bits.
2. A fourth correlating reply is received within five surveillance update intervals following the third of the three consecutive replies in 1 above.

[2.9]

TCAS generates resolution advisories for ATCRBS targets whose predicted positions penetrate the threat boundaries within six surveillance update intervals following the receipt of the last valid correlating reply. It does not generate resolution advisories for ATCRBS targets whose predicted positions penetrate the threat boundaries more than six surveillance update intervals following the receipt of the last valid correlating reply unless the target again satisfies the surveillance initiation criteria above.

[2.10]

Synchronous degarbling: When a Mode C only all-call interrogation is issued by TCAS, all Mode A/C transponders that detect it will reply. Because of the length of the reply train (21 microseconds), all Mode A/C-equipped aircraft within a range difference of 1.7 nmi from the TCAS aircraft, will generate replies that garble (overlap each other) when received at the TCAS aircraft (↑SC5.1).

[2.10.1]

Whisper-Shout (WS): Hardware degarblers can reliably decode up to three overlapping replies, and the combined use of variable power levels and suppression pulses reduces the number of transponders that reply to a single interrogation. This technique is called *whisper-shout* (WS). A low power level is used for the first interrogation step in a WS sequence. During the next WS step, a suppression pulse is first transmitted at a slightly lower level than the first interrogation, followed 2 microseconds later by an interrogation at a slightly higher lower level. This action suppresses most of the transponders that had replied to the previous interrogation, but elicits replies from an additional group of transponders that did not reply to the previous interrogation. The WS procedure is followed progressively in 24 steps, to separate the Mode A/C replies into several groups, and thus reduce the possibility of garbling. The WS sequence is transmitted once during each surveillance update period, which is nominally one second.

[2.10.2]

Directional transmissions further reduces the number of potentially overlapping replies. Slightly overlapping coverage must be provided in all directions to ensure 360 degree coverage.

[2.10.3]

Mode C only all-call interrogation. This waveform inhibits Mode S transponders from responding to a Mode C interrogation.

[2.11]

Nonsynchronous garble: This phenomenon is caused by the receipt of undesired transponder replies that were elicited by ground interrogators and other TCAS interrogators. These so-called transitory “FRUIT” replies must be identified and discarded (↑SC5.1, SC5.1.1). Reply-to-reply correlation algorithms . . .

[2.12]

Multipath replies: Multipath results in the detection of more than one reply to the same interrogation, generally of lower power, from the same aircraft. It is caused by a reflected interrogation, usually from flat terrain (↑SC5.1, SC5.1.1). To control multipath, the direct-path power level is used to raise the minimum triggering level (MTL) of the TCAS receiver long enough to discriminate against the delayed and lower power reflections.

[2.13]

Interference Limiting: The surveillance and collision avoidance functions of the TCAS equipment must be capable of reliable operation in nominal traffic densities as specified in 1.19.1. However, the TCAS equipment must also operate in regions of higher traffic density without degrading either the electromagnetic or ATC environments (↑SC2, SC2.2, 2.3).

[2.13.1]

To minimize interference effects, TCAS equipment controls its interrogation rate or power and conforms to a set of three inequalities, which are a means of ensuring that all interference effects resulting from these interrogations together with the interrogations from all other TCAS airborne interrogations in the vicinity are kept to a low level.

[2.13.2]

The limits on interrogation rate and power are functions of the local airborne environment. In the process of checking for compliance with the limits, every TCAS unit counts the number of other TCAS units

(airborne interrogators) within detection range. This is accomplished by monitoring Mode S “TCAS broadcast interrogations.” This interrogation indicates that the aircraft is equipped with a TCAS interrogator currently interrogating and includes the Mode S address of the transponder on the TCAS aircraft. Each TCAS aircraft that is currently interrogating spontaneously transmits these interrogations at 10-second intervals. TCAS monitors the receipt of such interrogations by its own Mode S transponder to update once each second the number of other TCAS units within detection range.

[2.13.3]

Broadcast messages are monitored by the interference limiting algorithms in TCAS to develop an estimate of the number of TCAS units within detection range. The number of total TCAS units is used by each TCAS to limit the interrogation rate and power as necessary (↑SC2.3).

[2.13.4]

The three inequalities are associated with the following physical mechanisms: (1) reduction in on-time of other transponders caused by TCAS interrogations, (2) reduction in on-time of own transponder caused by mutual suppression during transmissions of interrogations, and (3) ATCRBS FRUIT caused by TCAS ATCRBS interrogations (↑SC2.2).

[2.13.5]

The inequalities use the following abbreviations:

I: The total number of excluding air-to-air coordination interrogations transmitted by own TCAS in a one-second period,

P(*i*): The total radiated power (in watts) from the antenna for the *i*-th interrogation,

NTA: The number of airborne TCAS interrogations detected with a transponder receiver threshold of -74 dBm,

B: The beam sharpening factor ration (ratio of three-dB beamwidth to beamwidth resulting from interrogation sidelobe suppression),

M(*i*): The duration of the mutual suppression interval for own transponder associated with the *i*-th interrogation,

K: The total number of ATCRBS interrogations transmitted by own TCAS in a one-second period,

k: The index number of ATCRBS interrogations where $k=1,2,..K$,

PA(*k*): The total radiated power (in watts) from the antenna for the *k*-th ATCRBS interrogation.

1. Inequality 1 assures that a “victim” transponder will never detect more than 280 TCAS interrogations in a one-second period from all the TCAS interrogators within 30 nmi. For $i=1..I$,

$$\frac{P_i}{250 \text{ Watts}} \leq \min\left[\frac{280}{1 + NTA}, 18\right] \quad (2.1)$$

The left-hand side of the inequality allows a TCAS unit to increase its interrogation rate if it transmits at less than 250 W since low-power transmissions are detected by fewer transponders. The denominator of the first term on the right-hand side of this inequality accounts for other TCAS interrogators in the vicinity and the fact that all TCAS units must limit their interrogation rate and power in a similar manner so that, as the number of TCAS units in a region increases, the interrogation rate and power from each of them decreases and the total TCAS interrogation rate for any nearby transponder remains less than 280 per second. If the victim is taken off the air for $35 \mu s$ by suppression or reply dead time whenever it receives a TCAS interrogation, the total “off” time caused by TCAS interrogations will then never exceed one percent. The second term on the right-hand side assures that an individual TCAS unit never transmits more average power than it would if there were approximately 15 other TCAS units nearby ($280/(1 + 15) \approx 18$).

2. Inequality 2 assures that the transponder on board the TCAS aircraft will not be turned off by mutual suppression signals from the TCAS unit on the same aircraft more than one percent of the time. For $I=1..I$,

$$M_i \leq 0.01 \text{second} \quad (2.2)$$

3. Inequality 3 assures that a victim ATCRBS transponder will not generate more than 40 ATCRBS replies in a one-second period in response to interrogations from all the TCAS interrogators within its detection range. For $k=1..K$,

$$\frac{1}{B} \times \frac{PA_k}{250 \text{watts}} \leq \min\left[\frac{80}{1 + NTA}, 5\right] \quad (2.3)$$

Like inequality 1, this inequality includes terms to account for reduced transmit power, to account for the other TCAS interrogations in the vicinity, and to limit the power of a single TCAS unit. Forty ATCRBS replies per second is approximately 20 percent of the reply rate for a transponder operating without TCAS in a busy area of multiple ATCRBS ground sensor coverage.

Example: When interrogation limiting is not invoked, the overall ATCRBS and Mode S interrogation rates are as follows: The ATCRBS interrogation rate K is constant at 26 top plus four bottom whisper-shout interrogations per second. The sum of the normalized whisper-shout powers, i.e., the ATCRBS contribution to the left-hand side of inequality 1, is 4.89. The Mode S interrogation rate depends on the number of Mode S aircraft in the vicinity. In en-route airspace, it is typically an average of about 0.08 interrogations per second for each Mode S aircraft within 30 nmi. In a uniform aircraft density of 0.02 aircraft per square nautical mile, the number of aircraft in 30 nmi is 57. If 20 percent of these are TCAS equipped, $NTA=12$ and the variable term on the right-hand side of inequality 1 is 21.5. If the number of TCAS aircraft in the area does not exceed 15, the fixed term continues to govern and no limiting occurs until there are approximately 160 Mode S aircraft within 30 nmi.

Similar considerations hold for inequalities 2 and 3. In inequality 2, the mutual suppression interval associated with each top-antenna interrogation is $70 \mu s$. The bottom-antenna mutual suppression interval is $90 \mu s$. Thus the ATCRBS contribution to the left-hand side of inequality 2 is 0.0024 and the Mode S interrogation rate can be as high as 109 top antenna interrogations per second before violating the limit. With the full whisper-shout sequence, the left-hand side of inequality 3 is 4.89. The number of TCAS aircraft within 30 nmi can be as high as 15 without violating inequality 3.

When the interrogation rate or density increases to the point at which one of the limits is violated, either the ATCRBS or Mode S normalized interrogation rate or both must be reduced to satisfy the inequality. If the density were to reach 0.1 aircraft per nmi uniformly out to 30 nmi, there would be 283 aircraft within a 30-nmi radius. If 10 percent of these were equipped with TCAS, $NTA=28$. The right-hand limits in inequalities 1 and 3 would then be 9.66 and 2.76 respectively. To satisfy these lower limits, the ATCRBS and Mode S contributions to the left-hand side of inequality 1 would both have to be reduced. As a result, the surveillance range of both ATCRBS and Mode S targets would be less.

[2.14]

Electromagnetic Compatibility: The design of the Mode S waveforms

used by TCAS provides compatibility with Modes A and C of the ground-based secondary surveillance radar system. The frequency spectrum of Mode S transmissions is controlled to protect adjacent distance-measuring equipment (DME) channels (↑SC2.1.3).

Tracking

[2.15]

Using surveillance reports it receives each second, the Collision Avoidance System (CAS) logic tracks the slant range and closing speed of each target aircraft to determine the time in seconds to the closest point of approach (CPA).

[2.16]

If the target is equipped with an altitude-coding transponder, the CAS logic also tracks the altitude reports to project the altitude of the target at the CPA.

[2.17]

The CAS determines the vertical rate of the target by measuring the time it takes to traverse successive 100-foot increments of altitude (↑EA.5).

[2.17.1]

Altitude reports of other aircraft are tracked using a level-occupancy-time algorithm. This function derives altitude and altitude rate by tracking the time intervals between changes of the Mode C altitude reports, which are quantized to 100 ft., and the altitude reports in Mode S replies, which may be quantized either to 25 ft or 100 ft. The tracker also performs a confidence test on other aircraft's altitude rate. This test classifies the tracked rate as high or low confidence (also called *firmness*) and determines a range within which the rate must fall to allow later selection of escape direction. During periods when this rate is changing (a "low confidence interval"), certain other logic functions may be inhibited.

[2.17.2]

The use of the confidence test alone in determining when to declare a threat could cause excessive delays (↑SC4). Valuable information about the vertical rate may be known even with low firmness. For instance, it may be unclear whether an intruder is level or climbing but it may be quite clear that it is not descending. A safe and timely DESCEND sense

RA may well be given. Therefore, TCAS estimates reasonable inner and outer limits on the intruder's vertical rate. Even with low confidence, a nonaltitude crossing that yields ALIM separation against any possible intruder rate within the rate limits will be given without delay. Almost always (except at track startup), either "intruder climbing" or "intruder descending" can be ruled out.

[2.17.3]

By comparing the onboard radar altimeter input to own barometric altitude, TCAS makes an estimate of barometric altitude of the ground in order to identify tracked ATCRBS aircraft on the ground. Resolution and traffic advisories are inhibited for such traffic.

[2.18]

TCAS uses data from its own aircraft pressure altimeter, either directly from the altitude encoder or as processed by the air data computer, to determine its own aircraft altitude, its vertical rate, and the relative altitude of each target. The data provided by tracking (target range and range rate, relative altitude, and vertical rate) are used to generate traffic advisories and to perform threat detection.

[2.19]

When below 1700 feet AGL, the CAS logic uses the difference between its own aircraft pressure altitude and radar altitude to determine the approximate elevation of the ground above sea level (see Figure 2.5). It then subtracts the latter value from the pressure altitude value received from the target to determine the approximate altitude of the target above the ground (barometric altitude - radar altitude + 180 feet). If this altitude is less than 180 feet, TCAS considers the target to be on the ground (↑SC4.9). Traffic and resolution advisories are inhibited for any intruder whose tracked altitude is below this estimate. Hysteresis is provided to reduce vacillations in the display of traffic advisories that might result from hilly terrain (↑FTA-320). All RAs are inhibited when own TCAS is within 500 feet of the ground (↑SC6).

Traffic Advisories

[2.20]

TCAS generates traffic advisories against nearby aircraft that may later require a resolution advisory. The TA provides range, altitude rate, and bearing information for the intruder. The criteria for generating TA's have been chosen to allow the pilot time to gain visual acquisition before an RA becomes

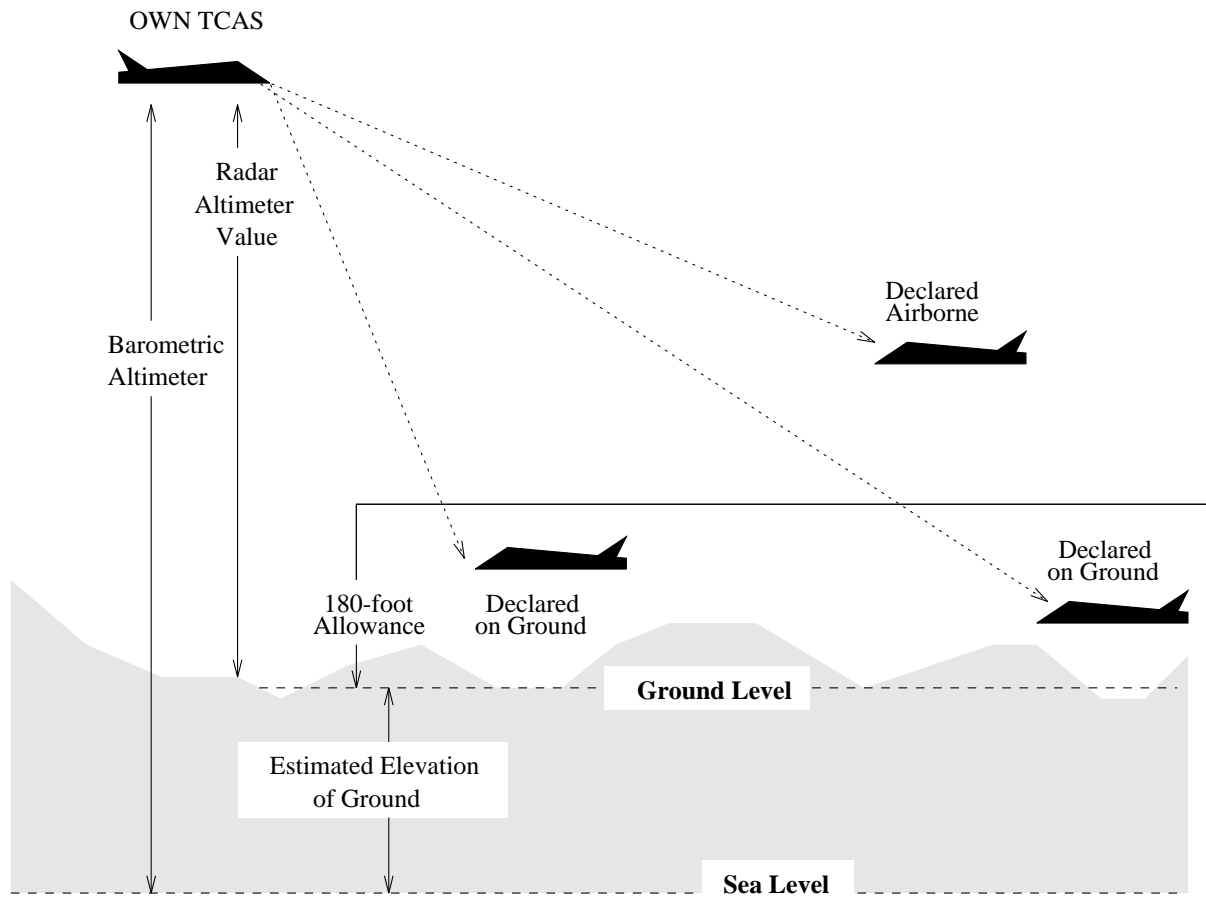


Figure 2.5: Determining Whether an Aircraft is on the Ground

necessary (↑SC4.7), i.e., TCAS selects intruder aircraft for generating traffic advisories by using algorithms analogous to those used for threat detection, but with larger thresholds.

[2.21]

TAs on altitude-reporting and nonaltitude-reporting intruders are maintained for a minimum of eight seconds, even though the criteria for a TA may no longer be met. Pilots do not like to have information flash on and then off before they have a chance to read it (↑SC11.3). However, the duration of the TA is dependent on surveillance continuing to pass data on the intruder each cycle and may be shorter than eight seconds if surveillance drops track on the intruder aircraft.

[2.22]

Traffic advisories are of two classes: *proximity advisories* (governed by range and altitude thresholds) and *threat advisories* (governed by time to closest approach and time to coalitude). All TAs generated each cycle are ranked in order of severity so that the most severe will receive priority in case of display limitation (↑SC4.8, FTA-375, FTA-735).

[2.22.1]

The logic classifies traffic advisories with three levels of priority:

1. The highest priority is given to a threat causing a resolution advisory to be generated. If the aircraft is equipped with a traffic advisory display, all targets causing resolution advisories are displayed as traffic advisories, even if there is no bearing estimate available. Thus there is no ranking within this group.
2. The next priority is given to other threats, including targets without altitude reports. Within this group, altitude-reporting threats have highest priority.
3. The lowest priority is given to traffic satisfying a proximity test but not a *tau*-based detection test. The latter type is only displayed when a higher priority type is also being displayed. Within each group, those with small range get highest priority, followed by converging intruders, followed by diverging intruders. Again, altitude-reporting intruders are given higher priority.

[2.23]

TCAS selects intruder aircraft for generating traffic advisories by using algorithms analogous to those used in threat detection but with larger thresholds. The traffic advisory normally precedes the resolution advisory in time.

[2.23.1]

If an intruder is receiving an RA, it immediately qualifies for a TA. If it is on the ground it does not receive a TA (\rightarrow 2.19). Otherwise, thresholds are determined using own sensitivity level alone or the larger of own and intruder sensitivity level if the intruder is TCAS-equipped.

[2.23.1.1]

Altitude-Reporting Targets: Range and altitude tests are performed on each altitude-reporting target. Both the traffic range test and traffic altitude test must be passed for a Mode C traffic advisory to be generated. The range test is based on the RA *tau* plus approximately 15 seconds (\uparrow 1.20.2). In addition, the current or projected vertical separation at the CPA must be within 1200 feet for a target to be declared an intruder, generating a TA. A proximity target is displayed if the target does not qualify for a TA but is currently within 6 nmi and 1200 feet of the TCAS aircraft (\uparrow 1.20.2.3).

[2.23.1.2]

Nonaltitude-Reporting Targets: A nonaltitude reporting target is declared an intruder if the range test alone shows that the calculated *tau* is within the RA *tau* threshold associated with the current SL being used (i.e., the threshold is set to values that are identical to those used for RAs). This varies from 20 seconds for SL-4 to 35 seconds for SL-7. When TCAS is in SL-2, the *tau* threshold is 15 seconds. The range *tau* threshold for RAs is used in order to restrict the number of non-Mode C traffic advisories, given the absence of altitude information, which for Mode C intruders acts as an additional discriminant.

Resolution Advisories

[2.24]

If an intruder is determined to be a threat to the TCAS-equipped aircraft, then a vertical resolution advisory is provided to the pilot. TCAS also communicates its resolution advisory to a Mode S ground sensor by means of a Resolution Advisories Report when so requested by the sensor.

[2.24.1]

No resolution advisories are chosen for intruders not reporting altitude, although they may generate traffic advisories (\uparrow 1.20.3, \downarrow Classification_{s-271})

[2.24.2]

All RAs are inhibited below 500' AGL (↑SC6).

[2.24.3]

Generally, a threat aircraft will result in a collision warning in advance of the closest approach by the amount of the prediction time (20-35 seconds). Additional time is provided for accelerating encounters (high closure rates) by means of an incremental protected volume (see DMOD) around own aircraft.

[2.25]

The resolution advisory has both a sense (upward or downward) and a strength (vertical rate) and is either positive or negative.

[2.25.1]

A positive or *corrective* advisory instructs the pilot to deviate from current vertical rate.

[2.25.2]

A negative or *preventive* advisory instructs the pilot to avoid certain deviations from current vertical rate.

[2.26]

The logic indicates whether a displayed advisory requires corrective action by the pilot or merely warns against initiating an action that could lead to inadequate vertical separation. (↓ Combined-Control_{s-227})

[2.27]

Resolution advisories against all threats detected by own TCAS are combined for pilot display such that the most demanding resolution advisory of those active is displayed for each sense (up and down). (↓ Composite-RA_{s-266})

[2.28]

After the CPA is passed and the range between the TCAS aircraft and threat aircraft begins to increase, the resolution advisory is cancelled and pilots then return to their assigned altitude or to their original vertical rate (if climbing or descending).

[2.28.1]

In order to avoid overly brief displays of resolution advisories (↑SC11.3), TCAS forces an intruder, once declared a threat or after a RA changes, to remain a threat for at least five cycles (approximately five seconds). (↓ No-Weaken_{m-337})

Threat Detection

[2.29]

The threat detection criteria consist of a range test and an altitude test. Both must be satisfied to declare the intruder a threat. Also, the estimate of the intruder's vertical rate must either be of high confidence or bounded such that an escape maneuver is judged safe despite a range of uncertainty. Otherwise, the intruder is not declared a threat. (↓ Threat-Condition_{m-373})

[2.30]

Range and altitude tests are performed on each altitude-reporting intruder. If the RA *tau* and either the time to coalitude or relative altitude criteria associated with the current SL are met, then the intruder is declared a threat. These boundaries are chosen to make TCAS resistant to abnormal deviations from separations typically maintained by air traffic control or procedural flight rules (↑C.4, SC3).

[2.30.1]

Range Test: To be declared a threat, an aircraft's expected altitude separation at the point of closest approach (Z_{THR} , which is either 750, 850, or 950 feet) must be less than an altitude threshold. (↓ Threat-Alt-Test_{m-371})

[2.30.2]

Range Test: The normal case involves an intruder that is converging in range. In this case, the criterion is simply that the time to CPA (*tau*) be small. The *tracked tau* is computed as range divided by range rate. A *modified tau* is computed in the same way except that the quantity $DMOD^2/range$ is subtracted from the range. The modified range tau (called the Bramson criterion) is used to determine whether the range criterion is met. This formula is used in the detection logic to account for the fact that lateral accelerations are much more likely than accelerations in the direction of the relative velocity vector. The formula makes the effect of DMOD on the range tau dependent upon the range and range rate of the threat. For slow closure encounters that are close in range, as in parallel flight, the *tracked tau* may remain high until the aircraft are dangerously close (↑SC4.6). In these cases, subtracting $DMOD^2/range$ from the range causes the *modified tau* to be substantially smaller, triggering the alert when the threat is at a range (safely) greater than DMOD. As range and range rate increase, the effect of subtracting $DMOD^2/range$ decreases such that the range

tau nearly equals the true tau (range/range_rate). (↓ Modified-Tau-Uncapped_{f.402}, ↓ True-Tau-Uncapped_{f.424})

[2.30.3]

A special situation occurs when the range is virtually unchanging or diverging, because time to closest point of approach may be undefined or inapplicable. In these cases, the *modified tau* is arbitrarily set to zero. The range test is considered passed only if the intruder is within the DMOD threat volume and the range/range_rate product is small.

(↓ Modified-Tau-Uncapped_{f.402})

[2.31]

Depending on the geometry of the encounter and the quality and length of the vertical track data, an RA may be delayed or not selected at all.

[2.32]

Several of the thresholds used in the pure geometrical criteria for an intruder to become a threat vary with the intruder's equipage and sensitivity level. Higher sensitivity levels imply higher altitude flight (in nonterminal areas), which implies larger altimetry errors and sparser traffic. The detection thresholds are therefore made larger to help overcome the altimetry errors (↑SC4.5); the sparser traffic minimizes the number of unwanted alerts (↑SC5). Lower sensitivity levels, on the other hand, imply lower altitude flight (in the vicinity of a terminal), which implies smaller altimetry errors and denser traffic. The detection thresholds are therefore made smaller in order to reduce the frequency of unwanted alerts (↑SC5). For instance, an intruder may be in a landing pattern but momentarily appear to be on collision course with own aircraft. The longer TCAS waits, the more likely it is that an unwanted alert will be avoided. (↓ Threat-Alt-Test_{m-371}, ↓ Threat-Range-Test_{m-374})

[2.33]

If the intruder is equipped with TCAS, it is desirable that both aircraft use the same thresholds against each other, even if they are in different sensitivity levels. Hence, the parameters are set according to the larger of own and intruder's sensitivity level. The capability is reserved to set certain thresholds differently for an equipped intruder than for an unequipped intruder. (↓ Conflict-SL_{f.385})

[2.34]

Once an aircraft has been declared a threat and causes a resolution advisory to be displayed, it will remain classified as a threat until both aircraft begin to

diverge in range, even though the altitude separation exceeds ZTHR feet. An aircraft remains a threat for at least five seconds, regardless of the range test decision, to avoid overly brief displays of advisories. (↓ Classification_{s-271})

Delays:

[2.35]

Under some circumstances, TCAS may delay resolutions advisories even when they satisfy both the range and altitude tests. The two reasons for the delay are (1) to avoid an altitude-crossing resolution advisory and (2) to deal with (temporary) poor quality of vertical tracked data (↑FTA-480). In all cases, a TA will still be given while the RA is delayed (↑FTA-350, FTA-480). (↓ RA-Display-Delay_{m-344})

Biasing Against Altitude Crossing RAs

[2.36]

Biasing Against Altitude Crossing RAs: A level TCAS aircraft that is in conflict with an intruder that is projected to cross its path is predisposed to select an altitude-crossing resolution advisory because that advisory is projected to provide the greater separation. This, however, leaves the TCAS aircraft susceptible to a late level-off maneuver by the intruder (↑FTA-1150). To bias strongly against such susceptibility, tests are incorporated to delay threat declaration, with knowledge that the threat may level off, or, if TCAS equipped, choose a noncrossing resolution advisory itself (↑SC7.1). However, if the crossing geometry persists despite the delays, an altitude-crossing resolution advisory will be issued, albeit later in the encounter.

[2.36.1]

As a means of reducing altitude crossings in TCAS/TCAS conflicts, TCAS has the level TCAS aircraft defer threat declaration up to three seconds against a nonlevel intruder that is projected to cross altitude if the intruder has not yet sent its intent to the level TCAS aircraft. This tends to force the nonlevel aircraft to choose first; its choice usually will be the noncrossing maneuver made all the more probable by other noncrossing logic. Because the level TCAS aircraft will then select the sense complementary to the one already chosen by the nonlevel TCAS aircraft, an altitude crossing will generally be avoided. In the event that the nonlevel aircraft does not send its intent within the three-second waiting period, the level aircraft will choose its own best sense, still possibly avoiding an altitude crossing if ALIM feet separation can be achieved in the noncrossing direction.

[2.36.2]

A bias against altitude crossing RAs is also used in situations involving intruder level-offs at least 600 feet above or below the TCAS aircraft. In such a situation, an altitude-crossing advisory is deferred if an intruder aircraft that is projected to cross own aircraft's altitude is more than 600 feet away vertically. (↓ Alt-Separation-Test_{m-351})

Assumption: In most cases, the intruder will begin a level-off maneuver when it is more than 600 feet away and so should have a greatly reduced vertical rate by the time it is within 200 feet of its altitude clearance (thereby either not requiring an RA if it levels off more than ZTHR feet away or requiring a non-crossing advisory for level offs begun after ZTHR is crossed but before the 600 feet threshold is reached).

For those intruders still projected to cross the TCAS aircraft's altitude by the time they are within the 600 feet threshold, an altitude-crossing RA is issued.

[2.36.3]

TCAS also avoids issuing altitude-crossing RAs under conditions of low confidence (firmness) in the intruder's tracked vertical rate (↑FTA-480). Normally, TCAS will delay sense selection until there is high confidence in the intruder's vertical rate. This delay is bypassed, however, if safe separation is projected to occur even under the most conservative bounding estimate of vertical rate. As a result, in certain situations, an altitude-crossing RA could be issued. (↓ Other-Track-Firmness_{f-431})

For small vertical separations, crossing under these circumstances is not a concern; however, flight tests and operational evaluations disclosed that altitude-crossing advisories could be issued in situations where there was substantial vertical separation. TCAS therefore prevents selection of an altitude-crossing advisory on low-track confidence unless two aircraft are within 150 feet of each other vertically, a distance too small for the crossing status to be of concern (given the high degree of uncertainty in the intruder's tracked vertical rate). Otherwise, RA selection will be delayed pending a better estimate of the intruder's tracked vertical rate. Such delays are usually less than three seconds.

[2.37]

Biasing against altitude-crossing RAs is an effective means for reducing the susceptibility of a sudden intruder level-off maneuver. For those situations

in which the noncrossing sense will not provide adequate separation, however, the crossing RA is issued and annunciated in such a way as to alert the pilot to the potential that the TCAS resolution could be thwarted by a sudden adverse maneuver by the intruder. In most encounter situations, the initial resolution advisory sense will be maintained for the duration of an encounter with a threat aircraft. However, if the intruder does maneuver, TCAS recognizes the situation as it develops and reverses the RA sense. This is immediately displayed and annunciated, giving the pilot time to react with an expedited, though not violent, maneuver (↑C5, OP.11, SC9, ↓ Noncrossing-Biased-Climb_{m-338})

Inhibits:

[2.38]

TCAS II CLIMB or INCREASE CLIMB RAs may need to be inhibited because of inadequate aircraft climb performance (↑L.6, SC9.1)). The collision avoidance maneuvers posted as RAs by TCAS II assume an aircraft's ability to safely achieve them. If it is likely they are beyond the capability of the aircraft, then TCAS II must know beforehand so it can change its strategy and issue an alternative RA. These performance limits must be provided to TCAS II from the aircraft interface and discretized (↑Page 9) relative to altitude and/or configuration. However, the need to inhibit TCAS II CLIMB or INCREASE CLIMB RAs should be carefully considered because the alternative RAs will not provide the optimum solution to the encounter. Inhibiting these RAs will increase the likelihood of TCAS II (a) issuing crossing maneuvers (crossing through an intruder's altitude) increasing the possibility that an RA may be thwarted by the intruder maneuvering (↑SC7.1, FTA-1150), (b) causing an increase in DESCEND RAs at low altitude (↑SC8.1), and (c) providing no RAs if below the descend inhibit or 1200 feet AGL in takeoff and 1000 feet AGL on approach.

[2.39]

Because of the limited number of inputs to TCAS for airplane performance inhibits, in some instances where inhibiting RAs would be appropriate it is not possible to do so (↑L.6). In these cases, TCAS may command maneuvers that may significantly reduce stall margins or result in stall warning (↑SC9.1). Conditions where this may occur include bank angle (wings level is assumed), weight altitude, temperature combinations, and initial speeds outside the envelope demonstrated as within performance limits for this particular aircraft; engine out; leaving configuration fixed for climb RA on approach, and abnormal configurations such as landing gear not retracted. The

aircraft flight manual (AFM) or flight manual supplement (AFMS) should provide information concerning this aspect of TCAS so that flight crews may take appropriate action (↓3.Proc, 4.AFM).

[2.40]

An aircraft's climb capability when operating at or near its maximum approved operating altitude is also affected by excess thrust and true airspeed available to safely trade if needed for climb rate. CLIMB RAs should not be inhibited if the aircraft has adequate performance available or because it may exceed its maximum certificated altitude by several hundred feet during an RA. If the aircraft is approved for significant alternate configurations, then the initial airspeed used for the analysis should be appropriate for them; e.g., spare engine pod, gear down operation, etc. In the analysis of the aircraft's ability to accelerate and return to the initial speed and altitude following an RA, an undershoot of approximately 200 feet is permissible.

[2.41]

If a maneuver causes airspeeds below the minimum demonstrated as within performance limits for this particular aircraft, then the CLIMB RA (or INCREASE CLIMB RA) should be inhibited (↑SC9, ↓ Climb-Inhibit_{s-243}, ↓ Increase-Climb-Inhibit_{v-244})

[2.42]

Radio altitude information is used to inhibit DESCEND advisories below 1200 feet AGL on takeoff and 1000 feet AGL on approach, INCREASE DESCEND resolution advisories below 1450 feet AGL (↑SC6.4). These inhibits allow automatic sensitivity level selection when close to the ground and determination of whether individual targets are on the ground (↑ Page 9, ↓ Descend-Inhibit_{s-245}) (↓ Increase-Descend-Inhibit_{s-246})

Nuisance Alarm Filter (↑SC5):

[2.43]

Observations over a period of time have shown that there is one class of unnecessary TCAS alarms that can be particularly disconcerting (↑SC5). These are alarms that occur almost exactly at the time of closest approach. They almost always have a substantial miss distance, occur well off to the side of the aircraft, and would last for only one or two seconds, except that they are maintained for the minimum display period, usually five seconds. These encounters usually trip the range *tau* threshold early, but the alarm is held off by the altitude test. When the altitude test finally passes, the alarm is issued, but often near the time of closest approach. (↓ Tau-Rising_{m-350})

To eliminate such nuisance alarms, a logic filter is used. The filter relies on the fact that the range *tau* goes through a minimum and finally rises just before the aircraft reach the CPA. (Once *tau* goes below the range *tau* threshold, however, it is capped to prevent fluctuation of resolution alerts.) The filter eliminates alerts against intruders whose range *tau* has begun to rise when they are more than 1.5 nmi away but that later violate the altitude threshold. As long as the range *tau* continues to rise, the intruder will not be declared a threat; however, if the range *tau* subsequently decreases, the intruder could again immediately qualify for an RA.

Vertical divergence

[2.44]

The aircraft may be close enough in relative altitude to warrant an advisory (i.e., within ZTHR feet), but the projected vertical miss distance at CPA may be both adequate (outside ZTHR) and increasing (\uparrow SC5). To test for such divergence, it is sufficient that relative altitude is within ZTHR and that the absolute value of ((relative altitude + relative altitude rate) * tracked tau) exceeds ZTHR (in which case, increasing vertical separation at CPA is implied). (\downarrow Increase-Check_{m-323})

Advisory Sense Selection

[2.45]

The sense of an RA may be upward (CLIMB) or downward (DESCEND). (\downarrow Sense_{s-275})

[2.45.1]

The climb sense is used when the TCAS aircraft is to pass above the threat and results in a resolution advisory such as CLIMB, DON'T DESCEND or DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 500 FPM.

[2.45.2]

The descend sense is used when TCAS is to pass below the threat.

[2.46]

All descend RAs are inhibited below 1000' AGL so that the aircraft flight profile will not fall below the standard glide path (\uparrow SC8.2, \downarrow Descend-Inhibit_{s-245})

[2.47]

Advisory sense selection may be inhibited during an interval in which there is low confidence in threat's vertical rate (\rightarrow 2.17.1, 2.36.3). However, when

a maneuver with one sense gives adequate projected separation against an intruder having a vertical rate falling anywhere in the confidence test range, that sense is selected.

[2.48]

Selection of an altitude-crossing sense is not permitted unless the two aircraft are sufficiently close in altitude such that the advised maneuver would generate adequate separation (↑SC7.1). If the two aircraft are not close in altitude, sense selection is inhibited. (↓ Crossing_{s-280})

Sense Selection Logic:

[2.49]

Based on the range and altitude tracks of the intruder, the intruder's path is modeled to the CPA. The predicted vertical separation is computed for each of the two senses and the sense is chosen that provides the greater vertical separation.

[2.49.1]

Path Modeling: TCAS, using range-altitude coordinates, models the path of the threat aircraft based on the tracked data of the threat. TCAS also models for itself the path that would result if TCAS maneuvered to a climb and that which would result if TCAS maneuvered to a descent. The path model in all cases consists of a linear segment, followed by a constant-acceleration altitude rate change, followed by a linear segment. The linear escape rate modeled is nominally 1500 fpm. The model will use a higher rate for one direction when current performance exceeds the computed rate in that direction or a lower rate when indicated by current resolution advisories. (↓ Climb-Inhibit_{s-243}, ↓ Descend-Inhibit_{s-245})

In certain regimes of flight, TCAS may determine that the TCAS aircraft cannot execute the nominal climb escape maneuver. This determination may be made according to the unique characteristics of the aircraft on which TCAS is installed (aircraft climb performance may be limited at high altitude) and the regime of flight (such as the landing configuration) and may use on-board inputs not otherwise required by TCAS. Path modeling will substitute level flight for the climb maneuver in such instances.

Similarly, radar altimeter data is used to recognize when TCAS is too near to the ground to issue a descend advisory (↑SC8.1). Path modeling

recognizes this condition and substitutes level flight at the appropriate altitude.

[2.49.2]

Computing Vertical Separation: TCAS computes the predicted vertical separation for each of the two sense selection options. The directional sense that gives the greater predicted vertical separation from the threat aircraft at the time of closest approach is selected as the preferred sense of the resolution advisories caused by this threat.

In the following cases, due to additional considerations, the preferred sense may not be the direction that gives the greatest modeled separation:

1. Against a TCAS that has already selected its sense, own TCAS will select a complementary sense choice. (↓ Sense_{s-275})
2. Against an unequipped intruder, when own aircraft is in a multi-aircraft situation and the two sense choices give adequate or approximately equal separation, own aircraft will select the same sense selected due to another simultaneous threat. (↓ Sense_{s-275})
3. Against any intruder, when the non-altitude crossing sense is chosen because that sense will result in at least ALIM ft separation at closest approach. In those cases where an altitude crossing by the threat or TCAS aircraft is projected, the sense will be picked that avoids crossing if the desired amount of vertical separation can be maintained at the CPA (↑SC7.1). If ALIM cannot be achieved, a crossing RA will be issued. (↓ Noncrossing-Biased-Climb_{m-338}, ↓ Noncrossing-Biased-Descend_{m-339})

[2.50]

Don't-care test: When TCAS is displaying an RA against one threat and then attempts to choose a sense against a second threat, it is often desirable to choose the same sense against it as was chosen against the first threat, even if this sense is not optimal for the new threat. One advantage is display continuity (↑SC11.3). Another advantage is that the pilot may maneuver more sharply to increase separation against both threats. If a dual sense advisory is given, such as DON'T CLIMB AND DON'T DESCEND, a vertical maneuver to increase separation against one threat reduces separation against the other threat. The most important advantage, however, is to avoid sacrificing separation inappropriately against the first threat in order to gain a marginal advantage against the second threat. (↓ Dont-Care-Test_{m-357})

The don't-care test determines the relative advantages of optimizing the sense against the new threat versus selecting the same sense for both threats. When the former outweighs the latter, the threat is called a do-care threat; otherwise, the threat is a don't-care threat.

Sense Reversals

[2.51]

In most encounter situations, the resolution advisory sense, selected according to the principles described above, will be maintained for the duration of an encounter with a threat aircraft. However, under certain circumstances, it may be necessary for that sense to be reversed (↑SC7.2). For example, a conflict between two TCAS-equipped aircraft will, with very high probability, result in selection of complementary advisory senses because of the coordination protocol between the two aircraft. However, if coordination communications between the two aircraft are disrupted at a critical time of sense selection, both aircraft may choose their advisories independently (↑FTA-1300). This could possibly result in selection of incompatible senses (↑FTA-395). (↓ Reversal-Provides-More-Separation_{m-301})

[2.51.1]

Should a sense incompatibility be discovered by the TCAS logic, the logic will rectify the situation by having the TCAS with the higher Mode S ID reverse its sense. The TCAS with the lower Mode S ID retains its original sense.

[2.51.2]

Similarly, in a conflict with a non-equipped threat aircraft, sense reversals will be considered if an altitude-crossing advisory has been chosen. This is because the threat could level-off after the advisory has been issued, thereby thwarting effective resolution of the original advisory.

[2.51.3]

The resolution logic monitors the progress of the crossing maneuver. If it detects a substantial change in the encounter geometry, indicating that the intruder has begun to level off, it models pilot response to the reversed-sense advisory. If the predicted result of that response exceeds the maximum predicted altitude of the intruder at closest point of approach (using the confidence test range maximum rate bound), the advisory sense is reversed.

[2.52]

RA sense reversals are prevented (operation of the reversal logic is inhibited):

1. If an increase rate RA has been issued.
2. If the TCAS and intruder aircraft are about to diverge.
3. If the pilot of the TCAS aircraft would have insufficient time to respond to the RA before CPA is reached (four seconds or less) (↑SC7.3).
4. If own and intruder aircraft are separated by less than 200 feet vertically when 10 seconds or less remain at closest approach (↑SC7.3).

(↓ Reversal-Provides-More-Separation_{m-301})

[2.53]

In all cases, after the decision to reverse sense is made, normal advisory strength selection occurs. (↓ RA-Strength_{s-277})

[2.54]

Whenever the sense of a displayed advisory is reversed, the old advisory is removed, the new advisory is posted, and the reversal is annunciated. However, if a reversal occurs before display of the RA in an encounter with a TCAS-equipped aircraft, no annunciation of the reversal is necessary. (↓ Vertical-Control_{s-231}, ↓ Sense_{s-275})

Advisory Strength (Type) Selection

[2.55]

The types of advisories that TCAS can generate are:

- INCREASE RATE OF CLIMB TO 2500 FPM
- INCREASE DESCENT RATE TO 2500 FPM
- MAINTAIN CLIMB
- MAINTAIN DESCENT
- CLIMB
- DESCEND
- DON'T CLIMB
- DON'T DESCEND
- DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 500 FPM
- DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 1000 FPM
- DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 2000 FPM
- DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 500 FPM
- DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 1000 FPM
- DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 2000 FPM

(↓ Vertical-Control_{s-231}, ↓ Climb-RA_{s-233}), ↓ Descend-RA_{s-235}, ↓ RA-Strength_{s-277})

[2.56]

Selecting a Vertical Rate: The collision avoidance logic selects the least disruptive vertical rate maneuver that will still achieve safe separation (\uparrow C5). Advisory strength is continuously evaluated, and modified if necessary, during the course of the encounter. (\downarrow RA-Strength_{s-277})

[2.56.1]

TCAS will generate a positive advisory only if the threat is projected to be within the positive advisory altitude threshold (ALIM) at the time of CPA. This threshold value is smaller than the altitude boundary used in threat declaration and is derived from the measure of altitude separation that is considered safe at the time of closest approach. (\downarrow Dont-Care-Test_{m-357}, \downarrow No-Weaken-Positive_{m-363}, \downarrow Try-VSL-Test_{m-375}, \downarrow VSL-OK_{m-378})

[2.56.2]

TCAS will select the least disruptive Vertical Speed Limit (VSL) or negative advisory if one of these types achieves safe separation. Otherwise, a positive advisory is generated. If safe separation depends on own aircraft maintaining an existing vertical rate, a MAINTAIN will be given. The rate used by the modeling program will also be provided. (\downarrow RA-Strength_{s-277})

[2.56.3]

TCAS recomputes the selection of an advisory on every processing cycle (approximately one second). The sense or type of advisory may change as the geometry of the conflict changes. Display changes to a less restrictive advisory are delayed for several seconds (\uparrow SC7.2). Advisory recomputation is inhibited when TCAS has low confidence in the threat's vertical rate. (\downarrow Resolution-Advisory_{o-217})

[2.56.4]

If a positive advisory (CLIMB or DESCEND) is called for, TCAS assumes that the pilot can achieve the modeled rate (either 1500 fpm or the current rate if higher than 1500 fpm) in the appropriate direction in response to the advisory. Logic modeling of potential aircraft maneuvers accounts for acceleration and a delay for pilot observation and reaction to the advisory display. The pilot can optionally increase the margin of safety by increasing the response. TCAS never assumes that the aircraft can climb or descend faster than the modeled rate unless that aircraft's track shows it is already doing so. TCAS does not display CLIMB when it has been determined that TCAS aircraft cannot climb unless a sense

reversal to a climb advisory is required. (↓ Climb-Inhibit_{s-243})

[2.57]

Increasing the Vertical Rate: If TCAS detects that an intruder aircraft has increased its vertical rate toward the TCAS aircraft, such that the TCAS aircraft executing its nominal escape maneuver will not be able to obtain sufficient vertical separation, TCAS displays an advisory to increase the vertical rate from 1500 fpm to 2500 fpm in the existing sense. (↓ Increase-Check_{m-323})

[2.57.1]

An advisory to increase vertical rate is permissible if the current RA is non-crossing or insufficient time remains in a crossing situation for successful execution of a sense reversal. If the intruder is a TCAS aircraft, an increase rate RA is permitted whether or not the encounter involves crossing altitudes.

[2.57.2]

Increase rate climb RAs are inhibited when own aircraft cannot achieve either 1500 fpm or the new rate. (↓ Increase-Climb-Inhibit_{s-244})

[2.57.3]

Increase rate descend RAS are inhibited when the TCAS aircraft is within 1450 feet of the ground to avoid interaction with the Ground Proximity Warning System (↑SC10.1, 1.3, ↓ Increase-Descend-Inhibit_{s-246})

[2.57.4]

RAs to increase vertical rate are displayed for a minimum of 10 seconds to provide continuity in advisory presentation (↑SC11.3) when the detection criteria are satisfied only briefly (typically for one second) and to ensure that some additional vertical separation will be provided over that of the current 1500 fpm RA. (↓ RA-Strength_{s-277})

[2.57.5]

If a threat aircraft maneuvers vertically in a way that thwarts a TCAS aircraft's RA, then:

[2.57.5.1]

If the threat is not equipped with TCAS, own aircraft will be advised either to increase its vertical rate from 1500 fpm to 2500 fpm or to reverse sense. (↓ RA-Strength_{s-277}, ↓ Reversal-Provides-More-Separation_{m-301})

[2.57.5.2]

If the threat is equipped with TCAS II, an unexpected vertical

maneuver is handled only by an increase-vertical-rate advisory, as sense-reversal advisories are not permitted in this case. (↓ RA-Strength_{s-277}, ↓ Reversal-Provides-More-Separation_{m-301})

Multi-Aircraft Situations

[2.58]

When TCAS faces more than one threat, special logic is required. TCAS may elect to provide separation either above or below a single threat by means of sense selection. Against two or more threats, TCAS has three options: provide separation (1) above all (by climbing), (2) below all (by descending), or (3) above some and below the others (by leveling off). TCAS selects the option that maximizes the minimum modeled separation over all threats. (↓ RA-Strength_{s-277}, ↓ Threats-Above-And-Below_{m-380})

[2.59]

If multiple aircraft are involved in a TCAS encounter, then the following priority is used to select an RA:

1. TCAS attempts to resolve the situation with a single RA, if that will maintain safe separation from each of the threat aircraft.
2. If a single RA cannot resolve the situation, TCAS selects an RA that is a composite of noncontradictory climb and descend restrictions.
3. In the extreme case, TCAS tells the pilot to maintain current altitude.

(↓ RA-Strength_{s-277})

TCAS/TCAS Coordination

[2.60]

The purpose of coordination is to ensure that compatible (opposite) senses are selected in encounters between two TCAS-equipped threats. Coordination interrogations contain information about an aircraft's intended vertical maneuver or "intent" with respect to the threat. (↓ Coordination-Update_{o-213})

[2.61]

In a TCAS/TCAS encounter, each aircraft transmits interrogations to the other via the Mode S link in order to ensure the selection of complementary resolution advisories.

[2.62]

Coordination interrogations use the same 1030/1090 MHz channels as surveillance interrogations and are transmitted once per second by each aircraft for the duration of the RA, i.e., each aircraft transmits a coordination interrogation to the other once per second as long as the other aircraft is causing an RA.

[2.63]

To increase the probability of success in coordination with TCAS-equipped threats, a validity check is imposed on all range reports received for any intruder (TCAS-equipped or otherwise). This involves an algorithm that determines if two out of the last three surveillance range reports, including the current report, are valid updates (i.e., not coasted). If this is the case, declaration of a TCAS-equipped intruder as a threat can occur. Otherwise, threat declaration will be deferred pending better surveillance range report. The reasons for this are: (1) if range surveillance of a TCAS-equipped intruder is poor, there is also a high probability that the interfering condition could cause a missed TCAS-TCAS coordination on the current cycle; and (2) if the surveillance logic is coasting the other TCAS aircraft Mode S track at the current time, it would not be desirable to issue an RA against an intruder that may be dropped a few seconds later. Therefore, an RA against a TCAS-equipped aircraft can only be issued if it has already sent its Resolution Advisory complement in a Resolution (intent) message or if the report is judged to be valid. (↓ Two-Of-Three_{m-376})

[2.64]

The communication is in the form of a negative command (e.g., DON'T CLIMB or DON'T DESCEND) and is referred to as the aircraft's *resolution advisory complement* or, less formally, its *intent*. (↓ Coordination-Update_{o-213}, ↓ Vertical-RAC_{s-229})

[2.64.1]

This information is expressed in the form of a complement; e.g., if one aircraft has selected an “upward-sense” advisory with respect to the threat (a “climb intent”), it will transmit a message in its coordination interrogation to the threat, restricting the threat's solution of RAs to those in the “downward sense.” (↓ Coordination-Update_{o-213}, ↓ Vertical-RAC_{s-229})

[2.64.2]

The actual strength of the “downward-sense” RA selected by the other TCAS aircraft would depend on the geometry of the situation.

[2.65]

The basic rule for sense selection in a TCAS/TCAS encounter is that before selecting a sense, each TCAS must check to see if it has received an intent from the threat. If so, TCAS selects the opposite sense. If not, TCAS selects a sense based on the encounter geometry just as if the threat were not TCAS-equipped. (↓ Sense_{s-275})

[2.65.1]

In the vast majority of cases, the two aircraft see each other as threats at slightly different moments in time. Coordination proceeds in a straightforward manner with the first aircraft selecting and transmitting its (geometry-based) sense and, slightly later, the second aircraft selecting and transmitting the opposite sense.

[2.65.2]

Occasionally, the two aircraft see each other as threats simultaneously and, therefore, both select a sense based on geometry. In this case, there is some probability (e.g., when the aircraft are flying level at the same altitude) that both will select the same sense. If this should happen, the aircraft with the higher Mode S address will detect the incompatibility and will reverse its sense. It is desirable that this reversal be invisible to the pilot and, therefore, display of the RA is deferred under the following conditions: In a TCAS/TCAS encounter, if the higher address aircraft selects a sense without knowledge of the threat's intent, i.e., if there is a possibility that the higher address aircraft will have to reverse its sense, then the higher address aircraft will delay up to 3 seconds in displaying its advisory to the pilot, waiting to receive the threat's intent. (↓ Reversal-Provides-More-Separation_{m-301}, ↓ RA-Display-Delay_{m-344})

[2.65.3]

If an incompatible intent is not received by the higher address aircraft within the 3 seconds, due to a temporary failure of the Mode S link, the RAs are assumed to be incompatible and the pilot will see a reversal of the displayed resolution advisory (↑SC7.2, ↓ Displayed-Advisory_{s-274})

[2.66]

Selecting the non-crossing sense providing ALIM separation: An algorithm recognizes when an altitude-crossing sense has been selected by the modeling logic and converts it to the noncrossing sense if that sense will provide at least ALIM feet separation at closest approach (↑SC7.1). This logic is operative if the two aircraft are initially separated by more than 300 feet. (↓ Crossing_{s-280})

[2.66.1]

The value of 300 feet was chosen for this threshold to ensure that effective separation would be achieved when the initial separation made crossing or noncrossing of small concern (given high confidence in the intruder's tracked vertical rate). Furthermore, the threshold precluded the possibility of selecting a noncrossing sense in situations where a TCAS aircraft with a sufficiently high vertical rate would cross through the intruder aircraft's altitude twice as it executed the noncrossing RA maneuver.

[2.66.2]

The logic considers only the separation achievable at closest approach, not the vertical rate of the TCAS aircraft, in its decision to select a noncrossing sense. The primary benefit of this logic is that it eliminates a significant proportion of altitude crossing RAs, independent of which aircraft have the vertical rates. An additional benefit is that RAs that would have required the TCAS aircraft to maintain high vertical rates are significantly reduced.

Performance Monitoring

[2.67]

The purpose of automatic performance monitoring and self-test is to detect malfunctions that degrade or preclude TCAS protection. Particular attention should be given to monitoring functions whose failure could result in close vertical proximity (100 ft vertical separation or less) at the point of closest approach when such vertical proximity would not have occurred had the aircraft not carried TCAS (↑FTA-850).

[2.68]

When a failure is detected, RAs or both TAs and RAs may be inhibited (↑1.23.4.2). Failure messages are displayed on RA and TA displays (↑1.23.1).

[2.69]

System Performance Monitoring: The monitor includes a self-test function capable of being initiated by the pilot (↑1.23).

[2.69.1]

When on the ground, manually activated self-test checks the aural alarms and activates each display element in a predetermined temporal pattern to allow visual verification that display outputs issued by the digital processor can be correctly interpreted by the pilot.

[2.69.2]

When in the air, the aural TRAFFIC will sound and all eyebrows will light (↑1.23.4.1).

[2.70]

Computer Performance Monitoring: At a minimum, these tests include random access memory pattern tests, CPU instruction tests, program memory tests, CPU input/output function tests, CPU timing tests, and directional antenna. In addition, the monitor must be capable of recognizing a

persistent lock state and upon recognition shall declare a TCAS failure. The monitor must also be capable of detecting a queue overflow in the TCAS high-priority input queue. Detection of queue overflow in the TCAS high priority input queue for three consecutive seconds shall cause the monitor to declare a TCAS failure. ⁴

⁴Declaring a TCAS failure during a threat situation is potentially hazardous, and this hazard should be mitigated somehow.

Pilot Tasks and Procedures

We could find little documentation on the rationale behind the design of the pilot procedures so this section is very incomplete. The following represents an example of what might be included.

[2.71]

Normal Procedures:

[2.71.1]

The TCAS RA algorithms are based on the pilot initiating the initial maneuver within approximately 5 seconds and within approximately 2 1/2 seconds if an additional corrective RA, for example, increase or reverse, is issued (↑OP.10).

[2.71.2]

An aircraft's low altitude climb capability during takeoff approach or landing is significantly affected by the aircraft's configuration, the initial climb true airspeed available to safely trade if needed for climb rate, and the initial airspeed margin from the current stall speed. To be consistent with normal operation, the aircraft flight manual or flight manual supplement should indicate that when a climb RA occurs with the aircraft in the landing configuration, the pilot should initiate the normal go-around procedure when complying with the TCAS II RA (↑OP.5, ↓4.AFMS).

[2.71.3]

The pilot is not permitted to start an evasive maneuver based solely on the TA display information because the information is designed to assist them in acquiring conflicting traffic visually and anticipatory maneuvers might invalidate the TCAS logic (↑OP.9, FTA-395, ↓3.3).

[2.71.4]

Once the pilot has established visual contact with the threat traffic, he/she may maneuver the aircraft without being given a resolution advisory by TCAS (↑OP. 1). However, this should be discouraged as it

greatly reduces the accuracy of TCAS to predict the separation (↑FTA-395). The maneuver logic provides ample time to obtain separation once conditions require it.

[2.71.5]

When parallel visual approaches are in progress to runways spaced less than 3000 feet apart, pilots should select TA-only mode of operation to prevent maneuvering advisories being issued for planned close separation (↑OP.6).

[2.72]

Non-Normal Procedures:

[2.72.1]

Because of the limited number of inputs to TCAS for aircraft performance inhibits, in some instances where inhibiting RA's would be appropriate it is not possible to do so. In these cases, TCAS may command maneuvers that may significantly reduce stall margins or result in stall warning. Conditions where this may occur include bank angle (wings level is assumed), weight altitude, temperature combinations or initial speeds outside the safe operational envelope of the aircraft, engine out, leaving configuration fixed for climb RA on approach, and abnormal configurations such as landing gear not retracted (↑SC9.1, 4.AFMS).

[2.72.2]

In the evaluation of aircraft performance for the identification of required aircraft inhibits, airspeeds between $1.2V_{SI}$ and stall warning are not considered unsafe and represent usable airspeed trade for evaluation of some low probability events. The altitude/temperature envelope used represents a range of values that exist at busy airports in the continental USA. Operation routinely outside this envelope may require special crew procedures if the normal AFM weight, altitude, temperature, and configuration limitations are not sufficiently compensating, e.g., operation at Mexico City (↓4.AFMS).

Pilot–TCAS Interface

Controls

We do not know the rationale behind the design of the controls.

Aural Annunciations

[2.73]

Displayed traffic and resolution advisories are supplemented by computer-generated synthetic voice advisories. TCAS uses annunciations that have been adopted as aviation industry standards (↑SC11.4).

[2.73.1]

An aural annunciation is generated when the first resolution advisory of an encounter is displayed and each time a subsequent change in the advisory is displayed (strengthened or weakened).

[2.73.2]

The words TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC, annunciated at the time of the traffic advisory, are used to direct the pilot to look at the TA display to locate the traffic.

[2.73.3]

If after a traffic advisory the encounter does not resolve itself, a resolution advisory is annunciated. (↓ Aural-Alarm-Message_{o-216})

[2.73.4]

An aural annunciation shall also be provided to the flight crew to indicate that the TCAS aircraft is clear of conflict with all threatening aircraft. This annunciation shall occur when the resolution advisory is cleared and the aircraft have begun to diverge in range. (↓ Aural-Alarm-Message_{o-216})

[2.73.5]

Other aural annunciations may differentiate resolution advisories by type: climb, descend, or vertical speed limit, crossing, reversal of advisory sense, increase in vertical rate, or maintain current vertical rate. It may also indicate that an RA is either corrective or preventive or, when an RA is removed, that a threat aircraft's track has been dropped or that the threat is no longer reporting altitude. (↓ Aural-Alarm-Message_{o-216}, ↓ Vertical-Control_{s-231})

[2.73.6]

Aural annunciations must be inhibited below 400 feet AGL (↑SC6.3, ↓ Aural-Alarm-Inhibit_{v-222}.)

Displays

[2.74]

The display of time-critical TCAS advisories should emphasize guidance information. Graphic formats are preferable, however, formatted information may be supplemented with alphanumeric data or messages. Color coding is recommended to aid the pilot in discriminating and responding with the required priority (↑SC11.4). (↓ Resolution-Advisory_{o-217})

[2.75]

The display cancels automatically when the advisory no longer exists. (↓ Resolution-Advisory_{o-217})

Traffic Display

[2.76]

Purpose: The primary purpose of the traffic display is to aid the flightcrew in the visual acquisition of threat aircraft. This goal is accomplished by displaying the intruder aircraft's horizontal and vertical position relative to the TCAS II equipped aircraft. A secondary purpose of the traffic display is to provide the flightcrew with confidence in proper system operation and to give them time to prepare to maneuver the aircraft in the event TCAS issues a resolution advisory.

[2.77]

TA Display Functions: The functions of the TA display are to aid the flight crew in visually acquiring intruding aircraft; in discriminating between intruder, threats, and other traffic; and in determining the horizontal position (range and bearing) of transponder-equipped aircraft. Relative altitude

or, optionally, flight level is also shown for those targets reporting pressure altitude. It may also be used to observe the flight paths of nearby traffic. This allows the pilots to see dangerous situations developing and to prepare both mentally and physically for possible evasive maneuvering.

All of this information, which is updated once per second, tends to instill confidence in the RA that may follow, as well as being an aid to see-and-avoid. At a minimum, there must be means for displaying TAs for at least three targets including range, altitude, and bearing of intruder aircraft. TAs may also indicate range rate and altitude rate of the intruding aircraft relative to own aircraft. Traffic advisories without altitude may also be provided on non-altitude reporting, transponder-equipped aircraft. (↓ Intruder-Info_{o-215})

[2.78]

The FAA has worked closely with the ATA, NASA, and both the SAE S-7 and G-10 Committees in an effort to standardize TCAS symbology and features. A consensus has been reached for many TCAS symbols. Other symbology and features may be used provided the human factors technology is used to demonstrate that a clear and substantial benefit can be derived by its use. Otherwise, the traffic display must depict the standard symbology, features, or information (↑SC11.4, C.4).

Resolution Advisory Display

[2.79]

RA Display Function: The RA display is the primary instrument used by the pilot to determine whether an adjustment in aircraft vertical rate is necessary to comply with the RA determined by TCAS. This determination is based on the position of the VSI needle with respect to the lighted segments or eyebrow lights. (↓ Resolution-Advisory_{o-217})

The lighted eyebrows on an instantaneous Vertical Speed Indicator (IVSI) will fulfill this requirement. Similarly, conspicuous illumination of the vertical speed tape or a suitable written message on a Primary Flight Display (PFD) or an Electronic Attitude Director Indicator (EADI) will fulfill this requirement

[2.80]

As a minimum, the following display functions shall be provided:

1. Either singly or in combination the following resolution advisories:

INCREASE RATE OF CLIMB TO 2500 FPM
 INCREASE DESCENT RATE TO 2500 FPM
 MAINTAIN CLIMB
 MAINTAIN DESCENT
 CLIMB
 DESCEND
 DON'T CLIMB
 DON'T DESCEND
 DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 500 FPM
 DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 1000 FPM
 DON'T CLIMB FASTER THAN 2000 FPM
 DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 500 FPM
 DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 1000 FPM
 DON'T DESCEND FASTER THAN 2000 FPM

(↓ Resolution-Advisory_{o-217}, ↓ TCAS-Status_{s-237}, ↓ Composite-RA_{s-266}, ↓ RA-Strength_{s-277})

2. Alert to the flight crew that own TCAS equipment has failed.
3. Alert to the flight crew that the TCAS equipment has been inhibited either automatically or through flight crew action.

Optional Displays

[2.81]

Optionally, other displays may be provided such as:

1. Means of displaying the following resolution advisories: (a) ADVISORY IS CORRECTIVE and (b) escape rate to maintain safe separation. (↓ Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{s-219}, ↓ Combined-Control_{s-227}, ↓ Vertical-Control_{s-231})
2. Means of displaying the following traffic advisories: (a) true *tau*; (b) vertical miss distance at closest approach; (c) intruder range, altitude, altitude rate and bearing; (d) relative altitude between own and intruder aircraft; (e) range rate between own and intruder aircraft. (↓ Intruder-Info_{o-215})
3. Other optional display functions, available from TCAS (see level 3) or existing aircraft systems, may be used provided the intended function of TCAS is not impaired.

(↓ Altitude_{s-283}, ↓ Other-Bearing_{s-287}, ↓ Range_{s-294}, ↓ Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433}, ↓ Other-Tracked-Range-Rate_{f-435})

Note: These display details are included in the principles section because they help determine what changes are possible or allowed when a change to the behavioral design in level 3 is proposed.

Testing and Validation

This section includes requirements on and information about the validation of the design principles included in this level of the Intent Specification.

Simulations

[This section would include descriptions of simulation requirements and either the results once they are completed or a reference to where the results can be found. We know simulations were done on TCAS, but we do not have the references or any information on the requirements that were developed for the simulations (if any) so we have not included this information.]

Experiments

Shortly after the FAA announced its decision to proceed with the implementation of TCAS in 1981, prototypes of TCAS II were installed on two Piedmont Airlines B-727 aircraft and were flown on regularly scheduled flights. The displays were located outside the view of the flightcrew and were seen only by trained observers. The tests provided information on the frequency and circumstances of alerts and their potential for interaction with the ATC system. On a follow-on phase II program, a later version of TCAS II was installed on a single Piedmont Airlines B-727, and the system was certified in April 1986 and subsequently approved for operational evaluation in early 1987. The equipment was not developed to full standards, and therefore the system was only operated in visual meteorological conditions. Although the flightcrew operated the system, the evaluation was primarily for the purpose of data collection and its correlation with flightcrew and observer observation and response.

Later versions of TCAS II manufactured by Bendix/King Air Transport Avionics Division were installed and approved on United Airlines airplanes in early 1988. Similar units manufactured by Honeywell were installed and approved on Northwest Airlines airplanes in late 1988. This Limited Installation Program operated

TCAS II units approved for operation as a full time system in both visual and instrument meteorological conditions on three different aircraft types. The operational evaluation programs continued through 1988 to validate the operational suitability of the systems. The results are documented in

Other Validation Procedures

[This section would include requirements for or descriptions of any other types of validation done on the system design.]

Level 3

Blackbox Behavior

This level describes the inputs and outputs of each component and their relationships along with the blackbox behavior of each component. The description includes no internal component design information and behavior is described only in terms of externally visible variables, objects, and mathematical functions. Any of these components theoretically could be implemented using analog or digital technology although practical considerations will normally limit the implementation medium. The level above will answer questions about the intent or purpose of the information in this level.

Environment

This section includes information about the behavior of environment components that is needed for correct TCAS design. We have included part of a SpecTRM-RL specification for the altimeter as an example. Because our SpecTRM-RL specifications are executable, the TCAS and environment-component behavioral descriptions at this level of intent specification can be used in simulations, animations, and analyses of the system's blackbox behavior.

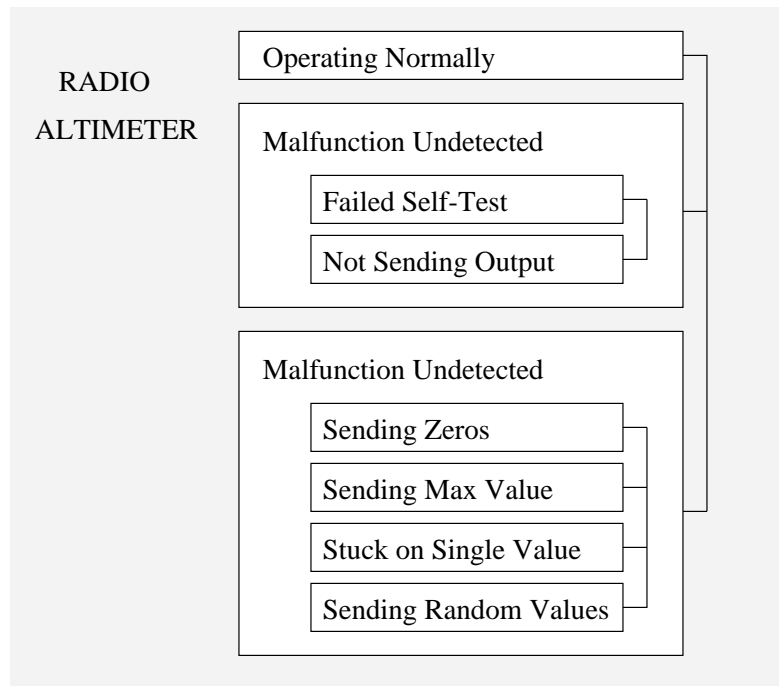


Figure 3.6: Part of a SpecTRM-RL Specification of an Altimeter

Flightcrew Behavioral Requirements

Task Analysis

This section would include a task analysis of the tasks involved in using TCAS. We do not have any examples of such a task analysis for TCAS and are not competent to do one ourselves so we have not included an example here.

Operational Procedures

This section of an intent specification includes the operational procedures for TCAS. We are designing a language for these procedures that will execute along with the other specifications at this level of an Intent Specification, but we need to get some more experience with this modeling language so we have not included an example here. We will add one later. We have included an example English description of part of the operational procedures.

[3.1]

Pilot-Initiated Self-Test:

1. During cockpit preparation, the pilot shall test the operation of TCAS.
2. During flight, the pilot may use the self-test feature.

[3.2]

Ground Operation

1. TCAS shall not be selected ON until just prior to takeoff.
2. TCAS shall be selected OFF immediately after clearing runway following landing.

[3.3]

Normal Procedures

1. The TA-Only position of the controls may be used to preclude unnecessary RAs when operating near closely spaced parallel runways (less than 2500 feet).
2. Upon hearing TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC, the pilot shall attempt to visually acquire the target. Maneuvers based solely on the information provided on the traffic advisory are prohibited (↑2.71.3).
3. The pilot should not maneuver on the basis of visual contact alone before an RA is given (↑2.71.3).
4. Prior to taking the evasive action in the RA, the pilot shall clear the airspace into which he/she is going to maneuver.
5. TCAS evasive maneuvers shall be complied with in a timely and gentle fashion.
6. Proper response to resolution advisories displayed on the IVSE shall be to fly to keep the rate needle in the green lighted segments and out of the red lighted segments.
 - (a) If the needle on the RA display is within the red segments, the pilot shall change the aircraft vertical rate until the needle falls within the green *fly-to* segment (a corrective RA).
 - (b) If the needle is outside the red segments, the pilot is to maintain the current vertical rate (a preventive RA).
7. Upon the single aural announcement CLEAR OF CONFLICT, the pilot shall promptly but smoothly return to the previous clearance. If the threat aircraft track or altitude information is lost during an RA, the RA will terminate without a CLEAR OF CONFLICT annunciation.
8. At any time, if ATC requires that transponder altitude reporting be disabled, TCAS must be turned off.
9. If a climb RA is issued with the aircraft in the landing configuration, a normal go-around should be initiated including the appropriate thrust increase and configuration changes.

[3.4]

Non-Normal Procedures

Not included due to lack of information

Pilot–TCAS Interface

This section describes the approach for presenting information to the pilot that is recommended in the Air Transport Association of America (ATA) Standard for TCAS II Displays, Symbology, and Controls; and the FAA Advisory Circular AC20-131.

Controls

[3.5]

As a minimum, the flight crew controls shall provide the following control functions:

1. Selection of one of the following operational modes:

STANDBY: Equivalent to sensitivity level 1.

TA-ONLY: Equivalent to sensitivity level 2 (↑1.13).

AUTOMATIC: TCAS can select its SL based on the current altitude of own aircraft (equivalent to sensitivity levels 3-7).

2. Means of initiating a self test (↑2.69).

Aural Annunciations

The following aural annunciations shall be used:

Traffic Advisory: TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC

Resolution Advisories:

Preventive:

MONITOR VERTICAL SPEED, MONITOR VERTICAL SPEED: Ensure that the VSI needle is kept out of the lighted segments.

Corrective:

CLIMB—CLIMB—CLIMB: Climb at the rate shown on the RA indicator; nominally 1500 fpm.

CLIMB, CROSSING CLIMB—CLIMB, CROSSING CLIMB: As above except that it further indicates that own flightpath will cross through that of the threat.

DESCEND—DESCEND—DESCEND: Descend at the rate shown on the RA indicator; nominally 1500 fpm.

DESCEND, CROSSING DESCEND—DESCEND, CROSSING DESCEND: As above except that it further indicates that own flightpath will cross through that of the threat.

REDUCE CLIMB—REDUCE CLIMB: Reduce vertical speed to that shown on the RA indicator.

REDUCE DESCENT—REDUCE DESCENT: Reduce vertical speed to that shown on the RA indicator.

INCREASE CLIMB—INCREASE CLIMB: Follows a CLIMB advisory. The vertical speed of the climb should be increased to that shown on the RA indicator, nominally 2500 fpm.

INCREASE DESCENT—INCREASE DESCENT: Follows a DESCEND advisory. The vertical speed of the descent should be increased to that shown on the RA indicator, nominally 2500 fpm.

CLIMB, CLIMB NOW—CLIMB, CLIMB NOW: Follows a DESCEND advisory when it has been determined that a reversal of vertical speed is needed to provide adequate separation.

DESCEND, DESCEND NOW—DESCEND, DESCEND NOW: Follows a CLIMB advisory when it has been determined that a reversal of vertical speed is needed to provide adequate separation.

The single announcement CLEAR OF CONFLICT shall indicate that the encounter has ended (range has started to increase), and the pilot should promptly but smoothly return to the previous clearance.

Traffic Advisory Display

Display characteristics will differ among the airlines but must satisfy the following requirements.

The traffic advisory display shall cover an area at least six nmi ahead of the aircraft to three nmi behind the aircraft.

Intruder aircraft shall be colored amber unless they pose a collision threat within 20 to 30 seconds. If the intruder aircraft is determined to be a threat, the color of the symbol shall change to red.

Targets of interest on the TA display shall be symbolized in various shapes and colors as shown in Figure 3.7:

1. Own aircraft shall be shown as an arrowhead or airplane-like symbol colored white or cyan.
2. Non-intruding traffic, which is defined as other targets within the range of the display (point upward), shall be shown as an open diamond, in white or cyan, with a data tag. Non-altitude-reporting aircraft targets shall not display a data tag.
3. A “proximate” target, which is defined as any aircraft within 6 nmi in range and 1200 feet vertically (point upward) shall be shown as a white or cyan filled diamond with a data tag.
4. A TA target shall be shown as an amber filled circle with a data tag.
5. An RA target shall be shown as a red filled square with a data tag.

All data tags shall show the relative altitude of the associated target in hundreds of feet. This number shall be preceded by a plus or minus sign to indicate whether the target is above or below the altitude of own aircraft. If the target aircraft is climbing or descending at 500 feet or more per minute, the altitude data shall be followed by a vertical arrow pointing up or down.

As an option during approach or departure from a terminal area, a switch may be set to select the display of traffic from 2700 feet above to the lower limit of surveillance or from 2700 feet below to the upper limit of surveillance, respectively.

RA or TA targets that are beyond the range of the display shall be shown as half symbols with a data tag, at the edge of the display, and at their relative bearing from own aircraft.






	<p>OWN AIRCRAFT: Airplane Symbol White or cyan</p>	<p>+07 </p>	<p>TRAFFIC ADVISORY (INTRUDER): Solid amber circle Number and arrow <i>(700 feet above, level)</i></p>
	<p>NON-INTRUDING TRAFFIC ALTITUDE UNKNOWN: Open diamond White or cyan</p>	<p> -01 ↑</p>	<p>RESOLUTION ADVISORY (THREAT): Solid red square Number and arrow <i>(100 feet below, climbing)</i></p>
<p>-02 ↓ </p>	<p>PROXIMITY TRAFFIC: Solid diamond White or cyan Number and arrow <i>(200 feet below, descending)</i></p>		

Figure 3.7: Standard Symbols for TA Display

If a TA or an RA is generated for an intruder or threat that does not have good bearing information, the range and relative altitude shall be shown alphanumerically on the TA display in amber for a TA or red for an RA.

TA displays can optionally be used to display weather. TA and RA displays may be combined.

Resolution Advisory Display

The RA display shall be an IVSI (Instantaneous Vertical Speed Indicator) that has been modified with “eyebrow” lights around the circumference to indicate whether a climb or descent is required to increase separation distance.

The RA display shall contain red and green eyebrow lights around the vertical speed scale, nominally segmented at 200, 500, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500, and 6000 fpm. Any segment shall be able to light up red or green. Green segments indicate where the pilot is to fly and red segments indicate where the pilot is not to fly.

A green segment shall be lit only for corrective RAs. A preventive RA is indicated by the needle pointing outside the red segments. It is possible that

during the same encounter, a preventive RA may go to a corrective RA and vice versa.

When the collision threat no longer exists, the warning lights shall extinguish.

Communication and Interfaces

This section describes the communication between TCAS and its environment. Figure 3.8 shows the overall communication. The various subsections describe (1) the uplink and downlink message formats for messages sent between the other aircraft, own aircraft, and the ground stations, and (2) the requirements on the receivers, transmitters, antennas, and aircraft discretets (switches and inhibits).

Message Formats

Uplink Format

The following subsection contains the format of the fields that TCAS will have to transmit in order to illicit valid responses from other transponders and other TCAS.

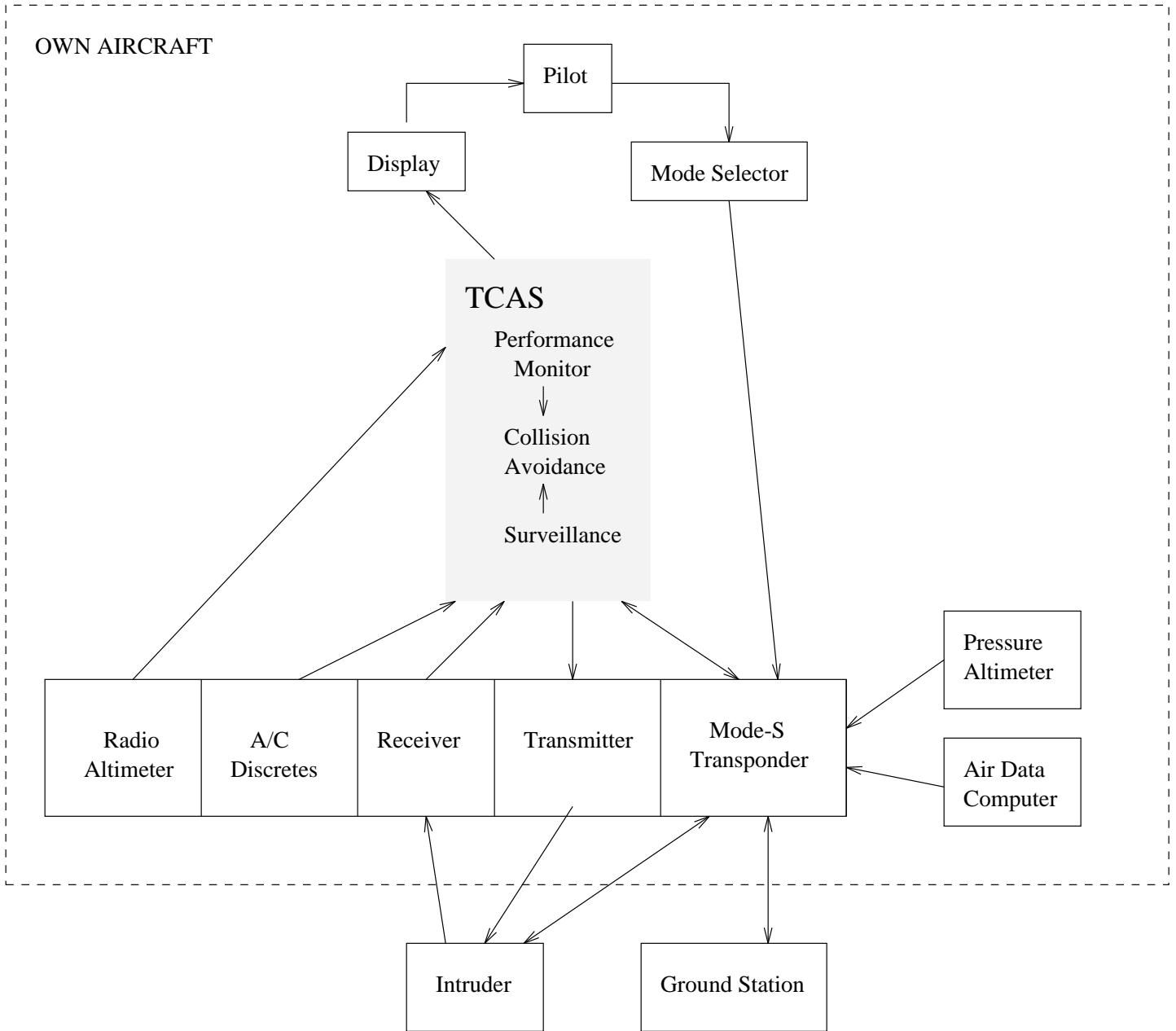


Figure 3.8: TCAS and its Environment

Name: Mode-S Acquisition
Message Format: UF-0 (Short Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: Tracking 2.2.8.2.2.2

Source: TCAS equipped aircraft (airborne).
Destination: Mode-S equipped aircraft.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	-	RL	-	AQ	-	AP
Uplink For- mat	Not assigned	Reply Length	Not assigned	Acquisition	Not assigned	Address/- Parity
1 5	6 8	9 9	10 13	14 14	15 32	33 56

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 0 = Short Air to Air Surveillance
RL	Commands a specific air-to-air reply format. 0 = Request short reply. (Long Replies requested only by ground stations.)
AQ	Identifies interrogation as an acquisition or non-acquisition interrogation. 1 = Acquisition Interrogation.
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1

Comments:

Name: TCAS Tracking
Message Format: UF-0 (Short Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: Tracking 2.2.8.2.2.2

Source: TCAS equipped aircraft (airborne).
Destination: Mode-S equipped aircraft.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	-	RL	-	AQ	-	AP							
Upkink Format	Not assigned	Reply Length	Not assigned	Acquisition	Not assigned	Address/- Parity							
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Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 0 = Short Air-to-Air Surveillance
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AQ	Identifies interrogation as an acquisition or non-acquisition interrogation. 0 = Non-Acquisition Interrogation.
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.

Comments:

Name: Mode-S Surveillance, Altitude Request
Message Format: UF-4 (Surveillance, Altitude Request)
MOPS Reference: Tracking

Source: Mode-S 1
Destination: Mode-S 2
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	PC	RR	DI				
Uplink Format	PC Protocol	Reply Request	Destinator Identification				
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 16				
If DI = 1 then	(SD)IIS	(SD)MBS	(SD)MES	(SD)LOS	(SD)RSS	(SD)TMS	AP
	Interrogator Identifier	Multisite Comm-B	Multisite ELM	Lockout	Reservation Subfield	Tactical Subfield	Address/- Parity
	17 20	21 22	23 25	26 26	27 28	29 32	33 56
else if DI = 7	(SD)IIS	(SD)RRS	(SD)-	(SD)LOS	(SD)-	(SD)TMS	AP
	Interrogator Identifier	Reply Request	Not assigned.	Lockout	Not assigned.	Tactical Subfield	Address/- Parity
	17 20	21 24	25 25	26 26	27 28	29 32	33 56

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 4 = Surveillance Altitude Request

PC	<p>This field is mainly concerned with acknowledging the conclusion of various data-link transactions.</p> <p>PC code - Meaning</p> <p>0 = No changes in transponder state</p> <p>1 = Nonselective All-call lockout</p> <p>2 = Not assigned</p> <p>3 = Not assigned</p> <p>4 = Comm-B close out</p> <p>5 = Uplink ELM close out</p> <p>6 = Downlink ELM close out</p> <p>7 = Not assigned</p>																					
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SD	Can contain control codes affecting link protocols. Content of SD is specified by the DI field.																					
(SD)IIS	Identification of interrogating site																					
(SD)MBS	Reserve/close out multisite Comm-B																					
(SD)MES	Reserve/close out multisite ELM																					
(SD)LOS	Multisite lockout control																					
(SD)RSS	Reservation status request																					
(SD)RRS	Specifies BDS2 code of MB messages																					
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.																					

Comments:

Name: Mode-S Surveillance, Identity Request
Message Format: UF-5 (Surveillance, Identity Request)
MOPS Reference: Tracking

Source: Mode-S 1
Destination: Mode-S 2
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	PC	RR	DI				
Uplink Format	PC Protocol	Reply Request	Destinator Identification				
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 16				
If DI = 1 then	(SD)IIS	(SD)MBS	(SD)MES	(SD)LOS	(SD)RSS	(SD)TMS	AP
	Interrogator Identifier	Multisite Comm-B	Multisite ELM	Lockout	Reservation Subfield	Tactical Subfield	Address/- Parity
	17 20	21 22	23 25	26 26	27 28	29 32	33 56
else if DI = 7	(SD)IIS	(SD)RRS	(SD)-	(SD)LOS	(SD)-	(SD)TMS	AP
	Interrogator Identifier	Reply Request	Not assigned.	Lockout	Not assigned.	Tactical Subfield	Address/- Parity
	17 20	21 24	25 25	26 26	27 28	29 32	33 56

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 5 = Surveillance Identity Request

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(SD)RRS	Specifies BDS2 code of MB messages																					
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.																					

Comments:

II	Permits a sensor to disable an acquired transponder from replying to further All-call interrogations from that sensor without inhibiting the transponder from replying All-call interrogations from other sensors which may yet need to acquire the aircraft.
PI	Ref.B 4.1.

Comments:

Name: Mode-S Broadcast Interrogation
Message Format: UF-16 (Long Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: TCAS Broadcast Interrogation 2.2.8.2.4

Source: TCAS equipped aircraft (airborne)
Destination: All TCAS equipped aircraft (broadcast).
Timetype: Periodical. Broadcast at 10s intervals.

Data Representation:

UF	-	RL	-	AQ	-
Uplink Format	Not assigned	Reply Length	Not assigned	Acquisition	Not assigned
1 5	6 8	9 9	10 13	14 14	15 32
(MU)UDS1	(MU)UDS2	-	(MU)MID	AP	
U Subfield 1	U Subfield 2	Not Assigned	Mode S address	Address/- Parity	
33 36	37 40	41 64	65 88	89 112	

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 16 = Long Air-to-Air Surveillance
RL	Not Used, no reply is generated
AQ	Identifies interrogation as an acquisition or non-acquisition interrogation. 0 = Non-Acquisition Interrogation.
MU	Used by airborne TCAS to indicate own presence and identity to other TCAS equipment. (Does not use Comm-A protocol Ref.B 4.10)
(MU)UDS1	3 = Sets MU format for a TCAS Broadcast Interrogation
(MU)UDS2	2 = Sets MU format for a TCAS Broadcast Interrogation
(MU)MID	Mode-S Address of Interrogating TCAS

AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.
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Comments:

Name: Mode-S Resolution Message

Message Format: UF-16 (Long Special Surveillance)

MOPS Reference: TCAS Resolution Message 2.2.8.3.1.2

Source: TCAS equipped aircraft (airborne)

Destination: All TCAS equipped aircraft (broadcast).

Timetype: S-R.

Data Representation:

UF	-	RL	-	AQ	-	MU	
Uplink Format	Not assigned	Reply length	Not assigned	Acquisition Interrogation	Not assigned	Message Comm-U	
1 5	6 8	9 9	10 13	14 14	15 32	33 88	
(MU)UDS1	(MU)UDS2	(MU)-	(MU)MTB	(MU)CVC	(MU)VRC	(MU)CHC	(MU)HRC
U Subfield 1	U Subfield 2	Not assigned.	Multiple Threats	Cancel Res. Adv. Comp.	Vertical Res Adv. Comp	Cancel Horiz. Res. Adv. Comp.	Horiz. Res. Adv. Comp.
33 36	37 40	41 41	42 42	43 44	45 46	47 49	50 52
-	(MU)HSB	(MU)VSB	(MU)MID	AP			
Not assigned.	Horizontal Sense Bits	Vertical Sense Bits	Mode-S Address	Address/- Parity			
53 55	56 60	61 64	65 88	89 112			

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 16 = Long Air-to-Air Surveillance
RL	RL=1, requests long reply

AQ	AQ=0, non-aquisition interrogation.
MU	Used by airborne TCAS to transmit resolution advisory coordination information and to indicate own presence and identity to other TCAS equipment. (Does not use Comm-A protocol Ref.B 4.10)
(MU)UDS1	3 = Sets MU format for a TCAS Resolution message
(MU)UDS2	0 = Sets MU format for a TCAS Resolution message
(MU)MTB	Indicates if aircraft has identified more than one threat. 0 = Interrogating TCAS has no more than one threat. 1 = Interrogating TCAS has more than one threat.
(MU)CVC	Used to cancel a previously sent Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement. 0 = No Cancellation. 1 = Cancel, don't descend. 2 = Cancel, don't climb. 3 = Not assigned.
(MU)VRC	Contains Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement. 0 = No vertical resolution advisory complement sent. 1 = Don't Descend. 2 = Don't Climb. 3 = Not assigned.
(MU)CHC	Not Used. TCAS II does not use a Horizontal Advisory so (MU)CHC=0. 0 = No Cancellation. 1 = Cancel, don't turn left. 2 = Cancel, don't turn right. 3 = Not assigned.
(MU)HRC	Not Used. TCAS II does not use Horizontal Advisory so (MU)HRC=0. 0 = No horizontal resolution advisory complement sent. 1 = Don't turn left. 2 = Don't turn right. 3 = Not assigned.
(MU)HSB	Contains parity check for CHC and HRC.
(MU)VSB	Contains parity check for CVC and VRC.
(MU)MID	The discrete address of the interrogating TCAS aircraft.
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.

Comments:

Transmitting aircraft: Transmitted when other aircraft is considered to be a threat and has reported RF=3 or RF=4 during tracking (i.e. TCAS up and running).

Receiving aircraft: Received when receiving is considered threat. Requests a Coordination Reply.

Name: Mode-S Comm-A, Altitude Request
Message Format: UF-20 (Comm-A, Altitude Request)
MOPS Reference: Tracking

Source: Mode-S 1
Destination: Mode-S 2
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	PC	RR	DI			
Uplink Format	PC Protocol	Reply Request	Destinator Identification			
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 16			
If DI = 1 then	(SD)IIS	(SD)MBS	(SD)MES	(SD)LOS	(SD)RSS	(SD)TMS
	Interrogator Identifier	Multisite Comm-B	Multisite ELM	Lockout	Reservation Subfield	Tactical Subfield
	17 20	21 22	23 25	26 26	27 28	29 32
else if DI = 7	(SD)IIS	(SD)RRS	(SD)-	(SD)LOS	(SD)-	(SD)TMS
	Interrogator Identifier	Reply Request	Not assigned.	Lockout	Not assigned.	Tactical Subfield
	17 20	21 24	25 25	26 26	27 28	29 32
(MA)ADS1	(MA)ADS2	(MA)SLC	AP			
A Subfield 1	A Subfield 2	TCAS Sensitivity Level	Address/-Parity			
33 36	37 40	41 44	89 112			

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Field	Description																					
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7	= the DI=7, the SD field will contain the following sub-fields: IIS, RRS, LOS, and TMS the rest of the bits in SD are not assigned.																					
SD	Contains the meaning of the SD which contains control codes affecting link protocols. Content of SD is specified by the DI field. Since there are more subfields than bits available, DI specifies which subfields are used.																					
(SD)IIS	Identification of interrogating site																					
(SD)RRS	Specifies BDS2 code of MB messages																					
(SD)MBS	Reserve/close out multisite Comm-B																					
(SD)MES	Reserve/close out multisite ELM																					
(SD)LOS	Multisite lockout control																					

(SD)RSS	Reservation status request
(SD)RRS	Specifies BDS2 code of MB messages
(SD)TMS	Specifies exchange of Comm-A messages. 0 = Unlimited.
MA	Used by a Mode-S sensor to transmit a TCAS sensitivity level command message to airborne TCAS.
(MA)ADS1	Indicates subfield for TCAS sensitivity Level Command is contained in MA by ADS1=0.
(MA)ADS2	Indicates subfield for TCAS sensitivity Level Command is contained in MA by ADS2=5.
(MA)SLC	This subfield contains a sensitivity level command for a TCAS aircraft. 0 = No command issued. 1 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 1. 2 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 2. 3 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 3. 4 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 4. 5 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 5. 6 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 6. 7 = Set TCAS sensitivity level to 7. 8-14 = Not assigned. 15 = Cancel previous sensitivity level command from this site.
AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.

Comments:

Name: Mode-S Comm-A, Identity Request
Message Format: UF-21 (Comm-A, Identity Request)
MOPS Reference: Tracking

Source: Mode-S 1
Destination: Mode-S 2
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

UF	PC	RR	DI			
Uplink Format	PC Protocol	Reply Request	Destinator Identification			
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 16			
If DI = 1 then	(SD)IIS	(SD)MBS	(SD)MES	(SD)LOS	(SD)RSS	(SD)TMS
	Interrogator Identifier	Multisite Comm-B	Multisite ELM	Lockout	Reservation Subfield	Tactical Subfield
	17 20	21 22	23 25	26 26	27 28	29 32
else if DI = 7	(SD)IIS	(SD)RRS	(SD)-	(SD)LOS	(SD)-	(SD)TMS
	Interrogator Identifier	Reply Request	Not assigned.	Lockout	Not assigned.	Tactical Subfield
	17 20	21 24	25 25	26 26	27 28	29 32
(MA)ADS1	(MA)ADS2	(MA)SLC	AP			
A Subfield 1	A Subfield 2	TCAS Sensitivity Level	Address/-Parity			
33 36	37 40	41 44	89 112			

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
UF	UF transmissions are interrogations. 21 = Comm-A Identity Request
PC	This field is mainly concerned with acknowledging the conclusion of various data-link transactions. PC code Meaning 0 = No changes in transponder state 1 = Nonselective All-call lockout 2 = Not assigned 3 = Not assigned 4 = Comm-B close out 5 = Uplink ELM close out 6 = Downlink ELM close out 7 = Not assigned
RR	Specifies length and content of the reply requested. Airborne TCAS equipment responds to RR=19. RR code Reply Length MB field contents 0-15 Short - 16 Long Air-initiated Comm-B 17 Long Data-link capability 18 Long Aircraft Mode A identity 19 Long TCAS information 20-31 Long Not assigned
DI	Specifies the format of the SD field. DI Meaning 0 = Return only the (SD)IIS field Maintain or closeout communication. Since the DI=1, the SD field will contain the following sub- fields: IIS, MBS, MES, LOS, RSS, and TMS Maintain or specify format of return messages. Since the DI=7, the SD field will contain the following sub- fields: IIS, RRS, LOS, and TMS the rest of the bits in SD are not assigned.
SD	Contains the meaning of the SD which contains control codes affecting link protocols. Content of SD is specified by the DI field. Since there are more subfields than bits available, DI specifies which subfields are used.
(SD)IIS	Identification of interrogating site
(SD)RRS	Specifies BDS2 code of MB messages
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AP	Mode-S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.

Comments:

Downlink Format

The following subsection contains the Downlink format of the communication frames that TCAS will use when communicating to other planes through its own Mode S Transponder.

Name: ATCRBS Identity
Message Format: ATCRBS Identity Reply
MOPS Reference: Standard SSR Code

Source: Mode-C aircraft.
Destination: Mode-S equipped aircraft.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

ID
Identity
1 16

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
ID	Sends the altitude in a range from -1000ft to 121,000ft in 100ft increments.

Comments:

Details to be provided.

Name: Mode-S Tracking Reply
Message Format: DF-0 (Short Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: Acquisition 2.2.8.2.3.2

Source: Mode S equipped aircraft.
Destination: TCAS equipped aircraft.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	VS	-	SL	-	RI	-
Downlink Format	Vertical Status	Not assigned	Sensitivity Level	Not Assigned	Reply In-formation	Not Assigned
1 5	6 6	7 8	9 11	12 13	14 17	18 19
AC	AP					
Altitude Code	Address/-Parity					
20 32	33 56					

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 0 = Short Special Reply
VS	Indicates if aircraft is airborne or not. If the aircraft is being tracked then it is already determined it is in the air. 0 = Aircraft airborne. 1 = Aircraft grounded.

SL	<p>Current TCAS sensitivity level. The codes are: 0 = No TCAS sensitivity level reported. 1 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 1. 2 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 2. 3 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 3. 4 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 4. 5 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 5. 6 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 6. 7 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 7.</p>									
RI	<p>Reports TCAS capability of tracked aircraft. The codes are: 0 = No on board TCAS or TCAS has failed or Sensitivity Level is 1. 1 = Not assigned. 2 = TA only Mode. 3 = On-board TCAS with vertical-only resolution capability. 4 = On-board TCAS with vertical and horizontal resolution capability.</p>									
AC	<p>Contains the encoded altitude of the aircraft . Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. The M-bit (bit 25) shall be zero 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. (M=1 is reserved for future use to indicate altitude reported in metric units. Format for metric reporting is undefined.) The Q-bit: (bit 28) Q = 0 indicates that the Mode S altitude is reported in 100ft increments. Q = 1 indicates that the altitude is reported in 25ft increments. The possible codes are:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="475 1150 1336 1528"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="475 1150 557 1224">M-bit</th> <th data-bbox="557 1150 638 1224">Q-bit</th> <th data-bbox="638 1150 1336 1224">Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1224 557 1360">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1224 638 1360">0</td> <td data-bbox="638 1224 1336 1360">Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1360 557 1528">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1360 638 1528">1</td> <td data-bbox="638 1360 1336 1528">The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Zero (0) is transmitted each of the 13 bits if no altitude information is available.</p>	M-bit	Q-bit	Description	0	0	Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.	0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.
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AP	<p>Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.</p>									

Comments:

Transmitted as a reply to an **Tracking Interrogation** which has its **AQ** field set to 0.

Since maximum airspeed is assumed to have been already determined by the initial **Acquisition Interrogation**, the **RI** field is used to check for TCAS capabilities.

Name: Mode-S Acquisition Reply
Message Format: DF-0 (Short Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: Acquisition 2.2.8.2.3.1

Source: Mode S equipped aircraft.
Destination: TCAS equipped aircraft (airborne).
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	VS	-	SL	-	RI	-
Downlink Format	Vertical Status	Not assigned	Sensitivity Level	Not Assigned	Airspeed of Aircraft	Not Assigned
1 5	6 6	7 8	9 11	12 13	14 17	18 19
AC	AP					
Altitude Code	Address Priority					
20 32	33 56					

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 0 = Short Special Reply
VS	Indicates if aircraft is airborne or not. If aircraft is airborne, then TCAS would proceed to track the aircraft. If aircraft is not airborne TCAS will not track the aircraft 0 = Aircraft airborne.

SL	<p>Current TCAS sensitivity level. The codes are: 0 = No TCAS sensitivity level reported. 1 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 1. 2 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 2. 3 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 3. 4 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 4. 5 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 5. 6 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 6. 7 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 7.</p>									
RI	<p>Reports either airspeed of transmitting aircraft. When airspeed is reported, the maximum true airspeed flown in normal operation is given. The codes are: 8 = No maximum airspeed data available. 9 = Airspeed .LE. 75 knots. 10 = Airspeed .GT. 75 knots and .LE. 150 knots. 11 = Airspeed .GT. 150 knots and .LE. 300 knots. 12 = Airspeed .GT. 300 knots and .LE. 600 knots. 13 = Airspeed .GT. 600 knots and .LE. 1200 knots. 14 = Airspeed .GT. 1200 knots. 15 = Not assigned</p>									
AC	<p>Contains the encoded altitude of the aircraft . Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. The M-bit (bit 25) shall be zero 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. (M=1 is reserved for future use to indicate altitude reported in metric units. Format for metric reporting is undefined.) The Q-bit: (bit 28) Q = 0 indicates that the Mode S altitude is reported in 100ft increments. Q = 1 indicates that the altitude is reported in 25ft increments. The possible codes are:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="475 1297 1336 1675"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="475 1297 557 1371">M-bit</th> <th data-bbox="557 1297 638 1371">Q-bit</th> <th data-bbox="638 1297 1336 1371">Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1371 557 1507">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1371 638 1507">0</td> <td data-bbox="638 1371 1336 1507">Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1507 557 1675">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1507 638 1675">1</td> <td data-bbox="638 1507 1336 1675">The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Zero (0) is transmitted each of the 13 bits if no altitude information is available.</p>	M-bit	Q-bit	Description	0	0	Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.	0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.
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0	0	Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.								
0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.								
AP	Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.									

Comments:

This transmission is sent in reply to an Acquisition Interrogation which had its RL field set to 0 and its AQ field set to 1.

The transmitting aircraft will only send its max airspeed during this type of reply.

Name: Mode S Surveillance, Altitude Reply
Message Format: DF-4 (Surveillance, Altitude)
MOPS Reference: 2.2.8.5.1

Source: Mode-S equipped aircraft
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	AC	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Altitude Code	Address/- Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 56

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description																																
DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 4 = Surveillance Altitude Reply																																
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DR	<p>This is used to request extraction of Downlink messages from the transponder by the interrogator.</p> <p>Initiates Downlink by setting the DR field to 2,3,6 or 7 as appropriate. The purpose is to send a Resolution Advisory Report.</p> <p>The codes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No Downlink Request. 1 = Request to send Comm-B message (B bit set). 2 = TCAS bit set. 3 = TCAS bit set and B bit set. 4 = Comm-B broadcast 1 available. 5 = Comm-B broadcast 2 available. 6 = TCAS bit set and Comm-B broadcast 1 available. 7 = TCAS bit set and Comm-B broadcast 2 available. 8-15 = Not assigned. 16-31 = Comm-D protocol (Ref. B 4.11.2.) <p>Code DR=2,3,6 or 7 will be set as appropriate when either a TCAS Resolution Advisory or a TCAS Resolution Advisory Complement or both exist. DR codes 1-15 have a higher priority over requests associated with DR codes 16-31.</p>															
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AC	<p>Contains the encoded altitude of the aircraft . Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. The M-bit (bit 25) shall be zero 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. (M=1 is reserved for future use to indicate altitude reported in metric units. Format for metric reporting is undefined.) The Q-bit: (bit 28) Q = 0 indicates that the Mode S altitude is reported in 100ft increments. Q = 1 indicates that the altitude is reported in 25ft increments. The possible codes are:</p>		
	M-bit	Q-bit	Description
	0	0	Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.
0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.	
Zero (0) is transmitted each of the 13 bits if no altitude information is available.			
AP	Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.		

Comments:

Name: Mode-S Surveillance, Identity Reply
Message Format: DF-5 (Surveillance, Identity)
MOPS Reference:

Source: Mode-S equipped Aircraft
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	ID	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Identity	Address/- Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 56

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		3 = downlink ELM active											
ID	Uses Standard SSR Mode A Identity code												
AP	Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.												

Comments:

Name: Mode S All-Call Reply (squitter)
Message Format: DF-11 (All-Call Reply)
MOPS Reference: Detection 2.2.8.2.1

Source: Mode S equipped aircraft.

Destination: Broadcast.

Timetype: S-R or Periodic (as squitters at maximum period of 1.2s)

Data Representation:

DF	CA=0	AA	PI
Downlink Format	Transponder Capability	Address Announced	Parity/- Identity
1 5	6 8	9 32	33 56

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 11 = All-Call Reply
CA	Reports the capability of the transponder. The codes are: 0 = No extended capability report available. 1 = Comm A/B and extended capability report available. 2 = Comm A/B/C and extended capability report available. 3 = Comm A/B/C/D and extended capability report available. 4-7 = Not assigned
AA	Contains aircraft address in the clear.
PI	Ref.B 4.1.

Comments:

Generated as a reply to ground sensor all-call interrogation or as squitters.

Name: Mode-S Coordination Reply
Message Format: DF-16 (Long Special Surveillance)
MOPS Reference: Coordination Reply to TCAS 2.2.8.3.2

Source: TCAS equipped aircraft.
Destination: TCAS equipped aircraft.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	VS	-	SL	-	RI	-	AC
Downlink Format	Vertical Status	Not Assigned	Sensitivity Level	Not Assigned	TCAS Capabilities	Not Assigned	Altitude Code
1 5	6 6	7 8	9 11	12 13	14 17	18 19	20 32
(MV)VDS1	(MV)VDS2	(MV)ARA	(MV)RAC	-	AP		
V-Definition 1	V-Definition 2	Active Resolution Advisories	Resolution Advisory Complements	Not Assigned	Address/-Parity		
33 36	37 40	41 54	55 58	59 88	89 112		

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 16 = Long Special Reply
VS	Indicates if aircraft is airborne or not 0 = Aircraft airborne.

SL	<p>The sensitivity level the TCAS is currently operating in. The codes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No TCAS sensitivity level reported. 1 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 1. 2 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 2. 3 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 3. 4 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 4. 5 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 5. 6 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 6. 7 = TCAS operating at sensitivity level 7. 									
RI	<p>Information about TCAS capability is sent.</p> <p>The codes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No on board TCAS or TCAS has failed or Sensitivity Level is 1. 1 = Not assigned. 2 = TA-only Mode. 3 = On-board TCAS with vertical-only resolution capability. 4 = On-board TCAS with vertical and horizontal resolution capability. 									
AC	<p>Contains the encoded altitude of the aircraft . Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5.</p> <p>The M-bit (bit 25) shall be zero 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. (M=1 is reserved for future use to indicate altitude reported in metric units. Format for metric reporting is undefined.)</p> <p>The Q-bit: (bit 28) Q = 0 indicates that the Mode S altitude is reported in 100ft increments.</p> <p>Q = 1 indicates that the altitude is reported in 25ft increments.</p> <p>The possible codes are:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="475 1115 1336 1497"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="475 1115 557 1192">M-bit</th> <th data-bbox="557 1115 638 1192">Q-bit</th> <th data-bbox="638 1115 1336 1192">Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1192 557 1325">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1192 638 1325">0</td> <td data-bbox="638 1192 1336 1325">Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="475 1325 557 1497">0</td> <td data-bbox="557 1325 638 1497">1</td> <td data-bbox="638 1325 1336 1497">The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Zero (0) is transmitted each of the 13 bits if no altitude information is available.</p>	M-bit	Q-bit	Description	0	0	Altitude coding according to Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be: C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, M=0, B1, Q=0, B2, D2, B4, D4.	0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.
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Comments:

Message is sent upon receipt of a TCAS Coordination Interrogation.

Name: Mode-S Resolution Advisories Report, Altitude Reply
Message Format: DF-20 (Comm-B, Altitude)
MOPS Reference: 2.2.8.5.1

Source: Airborne TCAS
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	AC	MB	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Altitude Code	Comm-B Message	Address/Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 88	89 112
(MB)BDS1	(MB)BDS2	(MB)ARA	(MB)RAC	-		
B-Definition 1	B-Definition 2	Active Resolution Advisories	Resolution Advisory Complements	Not Assigned		
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Contained Subfields:

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	0	1	The 11-bit field represented by bits 20-25, 27, and 29-32 represents a binary field whose least significant bit has a value of 25ft. The field is to be used to report the pressure altitude in the range $(25 \times N - 1000)$ (± 12.5) feet.
Zero (0) is transmitted each of the 13 bits if no altitude information is available.			
MB	Used to transmit TCAS resolution advisories information.		
MB	The following subfields are use if BDS1=3 and BDS2=0, the combination of which is equivalent to BDS=48. The bit fields 60-88 are not assigned in this case.		
(MB)BDS1	BDS1 should be set to 3 to indicate that a Resolution Advisories Report is contained in MB		
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Comments:

Message is sent upon receipt of a UF=4,5,20 or 21 with the bits set at RR=19 and DI=7, or RR=19, DI=7 and RRS=0.

Name: Mode-S Extended Capability Report, Altitude Reply
Message Format: DF-20 (Comm-B, Altitude)
MOPS Reference: 2.2.8.5.2

Source: Airborne TCAS
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	AC	MB	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Altitude Code	Comm-B Message	Address/-Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 88	89 112
(MB)BDS1	(MB)BDS2	(MB)-	(MB)ACS	(MB)BCS	(MB)ECS	
B-Definition 1	B-Definition 2	Not assigned.	Comm-A Capability Subfield	Comm-B Capability Subfield	Extended Capability Subfield	
33 37	37 40	41 44	45 64	65 80	81 88	

If (MB)BDS1 is set to 1 and (MB)BDS2 is set to 0:

((MB)BCS)-ORC	((MB)BCS)-FIRC
On-Board Resolution Capability	Flight Identification Report Capability
69 70	65 65

Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
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DF	Defines the type of transmission. DF transmissions are replies. 20 = Comm-B Altitude Reply			
FS	Defined as follows:			
	FS code	Mode A code change	SPI pulse present	Aircraft
	0	No	No	Airborne
	1	No	No	Ground
	2	Yes	No	Airborne
	3	Yes	No	Ground
	4	Yes	No	Either
	5	No	No	Either
	6,7	-	Not assigned	-
DR	This is used to request extraction of Downlink messages from the transponder by the interrogator. The codes are: 0 = No Downlink Request. 1 = Request to send Comm-B message (B bit set). 2 = TCAS bit set. 3 = TCAS bit set and B bit set. 4 = Comm-B broadcast 1 available. 5 = Comm-B broadcast 2 available. 6 = TCAS bit set and Comm-B broadcast 1 available. 7 = TCAS bit set and Comm-B broadcast 2 available. 8-15 = Not assigned. 16-31 = Comm-D protocol (Ref. B 4.11.2.) DR codes 1-15 have a higher priority over requests associated with DR codes 16-31.			
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			Shows current data-link status of the transponder.	
			0	= No activity
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AC	<p>Contains the encoded altitude of the aircraft . Ref.A 2.7.13.2.5. The M-bit (bit 25) shall be zero 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. (M=1 is reserved for future use to indicate altitude reported in metric units. Format for metric reporting is undefined.) The Q-bit: (bit 28) Q = 0 indicates that the Mode S altitude is reported in 100ft increments. Q = 1 indicates that the altitude is reported in 25ft increments. The possible codes are:</p>		
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MB	Used to transmit extended capability information to Mode S sensors		
MB	The following subfields are used if BDS1=1 and BDS2=0 or BDS2=1		
(MB)BDS1	Code is 1 for all extended capability reports.		
(MB)BDS2	<p>Allows more complex Mode S installations to report additional Capabilities in various formats. The codes are: 0 = Basic Report. 1 = Additional Report (Ref B. 4.6.2.1). 2-15 = Not assigned</p>		
(MB)ACS	<p>Reports the data link services supported by this installation. (MB)ACS=1 for all TCAS equipped aircraft. If ACS=0 then no Comm-A datalink services are supported.</p>		
(MB)BCS	<p>Reports the installed data sources that can be accessed by the ground for transmission via a ground initiated Comm-B. (MB)BCS=1 for all TCAS equipped aircraft. If BCS=0, then no data is accessible by a ground-initiated Comm-B.</p>		

((MB)BCS)-ORC	<p>These bits form a capability code subfield which indicates aircraft's on-board resolution advisory generation capability.</p> <p>The codes are:</p> <p>0 = No on-board resolution advisory generation capability.</p> <p>1 = An on-board vertical only resolution advisory generation capability exists.</p> <p>2 = An on-board vertical and horizontal resolution advisory generation capability exists.</p> <p>3 = not assigned.</p>
((MB)BCS)-FIRC	<p>If BDS2=0, (sending the basic report) this bit is set to 1 if the aircraft has the capability to transmit a Flight Identification Report. Otherwise, bit 65 remains in (MB)BCS.</p>
(MB)ECS	<p>Reports the ELM capability of the installation. If ELM=0, no ELM data link services are supported.</p>
AP	<p>Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.</p>

Comments:

Message is sent upon request of a Ground Station Mode S station to learn the specific extended capabilities on board the aircraft.

Name: Mode-S Resolution Advisories Report, Identity Reply
Message Format: DF-21 (Comm-B, Identity)
MOPS Reference: 2.2.8.5.2

Source: Airborne TCAS
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	ID	MB	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Identity	Comm-B Message	Address/Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 88	89 112
(MB)BDS1	(MB)BDS2	(MB)ARA	(MB)RAC	-		
B-Definition 1	B-Definition 2	Active Resolution Advisories	Resolution Advisory Complements	Not Assigned		
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Contained Subfields:

Field	Description
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Comments:

Message is sent upon receipt of a UF=4,5,20 or 21 with the bits set at RR=19.

Name: Mode-S Extended Capability Report, Identity Reply
Message Format: DF-21 (Comm-B, Identity)
MOPS Reference: 2.2.8.5.2

Source: Airborne TCAS
Destination: Mode-S Ground Station.
Timetype: S-R

Data Representation:

DF	FS	DR	UM	ID	MB	AP
Downlink Format	Flight Status	Downlink Request	Utility Message	Identity	Comm-B Message	Address/-Parity
1 5	6 8	9 13	14 19	20 32	33 88	89 112
(MB)BDS1	(MB)BDS2	(MB)-	(MB)ACS	(MB)BCS	(MB)ECS	
B-Definition 1	B-Definition 2	Not Assigned.	Comm-A Capability Subfield	Comm-B Capability Subfield	Extended Capability Subfield	
33 37	37 40	41 44	45 64	65 80	81 88	

If (MB)BDS1 is set to 1 and (MB)BDS2 is set to 0:

((MB)BCS)-ORC	((MB)BCS)-FIRC
On-Board Resolution Capability	Flight Identification Report Capability
69 70	65 65

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(MB)BDS1	Code is 1 for all extended capability reports.
(MB)BDS2	Allows more complex Mode S installations to report additional Capabilities in various formats. The codes are: 0 = Basic Report. 1 = Additional Report (Ref B. 4.6.2.1). 2-15 = Not assigned
(MB)ACS	Reports the data link services supported by this installation. (MB)ACS=1 for all TCAS equipped aircraft. If ACS=0 then no Comm-A datalink services are supported.
(MB)BCS	Reports the installed data sources that can be accessed by the ground for transmission via a ground initiated Comm-B. (MB)BCS=1 for all TCAS equipped aircraft. If BCS=0, then no data is accessible by a ground-initiated Comm-B.
((MB)BCS)-ORC	These bits form a capability code subfield which indicates aircraft's on-board resolution advisory generation capability. The codes are: 0 = No on-board resolution advisory generation capability. 1 = An on-board vertical only resolution advisory generation capability exists. 2 = An on-board vertical and horizontal resolution advisory generation capability exists. 3 = not assigned.
((MB)BCS)-FIRC	If BDS2=0, (sending the basic report) this bit is set to 1 if the aircraft has the capability to transmit a Flight Identification Report. Otherwise, bit 65 remains in (MB)BCS.
(MB)ECS	Reports the ELM capability of the installation. If ELM=0, no ELM data link services are supported.
AP	Mode S address (overlaid on parity) as described in Ref. B 4.1.

Comments:

Message is sent upon request of a Ground Station Mode-S station to learn the specific extended capabilities on board the aircraft.

Receiver, Transmitter, Antennas

Range Accuracy

The error associated with the TCAS II range measurement of an target-of-interest whose transponder meets the characteristics specified in the national standards for ATCRBS and Mode S transponders shall not exceed 25 feet, 1 sigma when the interrogation and reply levels received at the transponder and TCAS II respectively are at least 10 dB above receiver threshold.

Bearing Accuracy

The error associated with the TCAS II measurement of target bearing over all azimuth angles and over elevation angles from +10 degrees to -10 degrees using Mode S replies or Mode C replies containing at least 5 altitude code pulses shall be no greater than 9 degrees, 1 sigma and 27 degrees peak, when the TCAS II antenna is mounted in the center of a 4-foot or larger diameter circular flat or cylindrical ground plane and the measurements are performed in a controlled antenna test range environment.

Maximum Radiated Output Power

The maximum RF Total Radiated Power associated with each radiated transmission pulse shall be 50.0 dBm (100 W), assuming full power operation.

The Total Radiated Power (TRP) is defined as:

$$\text{TRP} = P * G(\text{BW}/360 \text{ deg})$$

where P is the net power delivered to the RF reference point, G is the peak azimuth antenna gain of the forward beam at 0 degrees elevation relative to a matched quarter-wave stub on an identical ground plane, and BW is the 3dB azimuth beamwidth in degrees. The specified maximum limit on TRP is intended to prevent an excessive power transmission from causing premature interference limiting and in turn an unnecessary reduction in the dynamic range of the whisper-shout sequence (↑2.10).

Unwanted Output Power

When the TCAS II interrogator is in the inactive state, the RF power at 1030 ± 10 MHz at the terminals of the antenna shall not exceed -70 dBm. The inactive state is defined to include the entire period between ATCRBS and/or Mode S interrogations less 10 microsecond transition periods, if necessary, preceding and following the extremes of the interrogation transmission.

NOTE: This power restriction is necessary to ensure that TCAS II does not prevent the on-board Mode S transponder from meeting its sensitivity and interference rejection requirements. It assumes that the coupling between the TCAS II antenna and the Transponder antenna exceeds 20 dB.

Interrogation Spectrum

The spectrum of a TCAS II Mode S or ATCRBS interrogation shall not exceed the following:

Frequency Difference (MHz From Carrier)	Maximum Relative Power (dB Down From Peak)
≥ 4 and < 6	6
≥ 6 and < 8	11
≥ 8 and < 10	15
≥ 10 and < 20	19
≥ 20 and < 30	31
≥ 30 and < 40	38
≥ 40 and < 50	43
≥ 50 and < 60	47
≥ 60 and < 90	50
≥ 90	60

Interrogation Jitter

The transmission time of each ATCRBS interrogation sequence and each TCAS Broadcast Interrogation shall be intentionally jittered about their nominal update interval. The jitter shall vary randomly, and be sufficient to prevent synchronous interference with other ground-based and airborne interrogators (↑2.10). The maximum value of the jitter shall not exceed $\pm 10\%$ of the nominal update interval.

NOTE: It is not necessary to intentionally jitter Mode S surveillance interrogations because of the inherently random nature of the Mode S interrogation scheduling process.

Transmit Frequency And Tolerance

The transmission frequency shall be 1030 ± 0.01 MHz.

Mode C Transmissions. Mode C interrogations from TCAS II equipment shall employ the “Mode-C-Only All-Call” format, which consists of three pulses P1, P3, and P4. This shall normally be preceded by a Mode C “whisper-shout” suppression pulse designated S1 (see **Control of Synchronous Garble by Whisper/Shout**

on Page 195. Sidelobe suppression is accomplished by transmitting a P2 pulse via a separate control pattern. These formats are illustrated in Figure 3-1. The pulses shall have shapes and spacings as tabulated below except that the rise and decay time may be less than shown in the table, providing the side-band radiation does not exceed the spectral limits tabulated in Section 2.2.3.3. The amplitude of P3 shall be within 0.5 dB of the amplitude of P1, and the amplitude of P4 shall be within 0.5 dB of the amplitude of P3.

Mode C PULSE SHAPES
(All values in microseconds)

Pulse Designator	Pulse Duration	Duration Tolerance	Rise Time		Decay Time	
			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
S1,P1,P2,P3,P4	0.8	± 0.05	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2

The pulse spacing tolerances shall be as follows:

- S1 to P1 2 ± 0.10 microseconds;
- P1 to P2 2 ± 0.10 microseconds;
- P1 to P3 21 ± 0.10 microseconds;
- P3 to P4 2 ± 0.04 microseconds.

NOTE: The tolerance values on these pulse widths, spacings, and amplitudes are smaller than the signal-in-space tolerance values defined in Ref. B in order to provide margin for waveform distortion due to multipath.

Mode S Transmissions. Mode S transmissions shall consist of P1, P2, and P6 pulses as shown in Figure 3-2.

Mode S PULSE SHAPES
(All values in microseconds)

Pulse Designator	Pulse Duration	Duration Tolerance	Rise Time		Decay Time	
			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
P1,P2	0.8	± 0.05	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
P6 (Short)	16.25	± 0.125	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
P6 (Long)	30.25	± 0.125	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2

The short (16.25-microsecond) and long (30.25-microsecond) P6 pulses shall have internal modulation consisting of possible 180-degree phase reversals of the carrier at designated times. The first phase reversal in the P6 pulse is the sync phase reversal and is always present. The presence or absence of a subsequent phase reversal indicates a one or zero in the transmitted code respectively.

NOTE: The sync phase reversal is the timing reference provided to identify chip positions to Mode S interrogation decoders.

The duration of a phase reversal in P6 shall be less than 0.08 microsecond as measured between the 10-degree and 170-degree points of the phase transition. The interval between the 80-percent points of the amplitude transient associated with the phase reversal shall be less than 0.08 microsecond.

The tolerance on the 0- and 180-degree phase relationships in P6 shall be ± 5 degrees.

The 90-degree point of each data phase reversal in P6 shall occur only at a time $(N \times 0.25) \pm 0.02$ microsecond ($N \geq 2$) after the 90-degree point of the sync phase reversal.

NOTE: 56 or 112 data phase reversals can occur in the 16.25 and 30.25 microsecond P6 pulses respectively. This results in a 4 Mbit/sec data rate within the P6 pulses.

The spacing from P1 to P2 shall be 2 ± 0.04 microseconds between leading edges. The spacing from the leading edge of P2 to the 90-degree point of the sync phase reversal of P6 shall be 2.75 ± 0.04 microseconds. The leading edge of P6 shall occur 1.25 ± 0.04 microseconds before the sync phase reversal.

NOTE: The P1-P2 pair preceding P6 suppresses replies from ATCRBS transponders to avoid synchronous garble due to random triggering of ATCRBS transponders by the Mode S interrogation ($\uparrow 2.10$). A series of "chips" containing the information within P6 starts 0.5 microsecond after the synch phase reversal. Each chip is of 0.25 microsecond duration and is preceded by a possible phase reversal. If preceded by a phase reversal, a chip represents a logic "1". There are either 56 or 112 chips. The last chip is followed by a 0.5- microsecond guard interval which prevents the trailing edge of P6 from interfering with the demodulation process.

The radiated amplitudes of P2 and the initial first microsecond of P6 shall be greater than the radiated amplitude of P1 minus 0.25 dB. The maximum envelope amplitude variation between successive phase modulation chips in P6 shall be less than 0.25 dB.

NOTE: The tolerance values on these pulse widths and spacings and the location of the sync phase reversal are smaller than the signal-in-space tolerance values defined in Ref. B in order to provide margin for waveform distortion due to multipath reflections.

Compatibility With Own Mode S Transponder

TCAS must be designed to be compatible with its Mode S transponder ($\uparrow 1.1$). Two general areas of potential incompatibility are identified below as examples; others may be found to exist in accordance with specific equipment designs.

- a. The first area of possible incompatibility concerns the methods used to interface the transponder and the TCAS II equipment. It is not within the scope

of this document to control or test specific interface design details within the TCAS. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer to verify that his equipment does in fact interface in such a way that all overall logical, protocol, timing and other requirements or constraints imposed on the combined operation of the two functional entities have been fulfilled under any possible combination of operating conditions.

This may be accomplished by conducting all testing with both functions fully operative and performing their normal functions by means of simulated inputs and/or outputs. For example, when tests are under way to verify that the TCAS II equipment requirements of this document are met, the Mode S transponder could be periodically interrogated by simulated input signals near its MTL level.

- b. The second area of potential incompatibility concerns electromagnetic interference (↑2.14). Since each unit generates transmission signals at the receiver frequency of the other, it is possible for signals from one to degrade the performance of the other.

All of the TCAS II requirements stated in this document shall be met when the TCAS II equipment is operating in conjunction with an operating Mode S transponder with the possible exception of those times that the Mode S transponder is active. The active state of the Mode S transmitter is defined as either the time interval between the leading edge of the first transmitted pulse of a reply minus 10 microseconds and the trailing edge of the last transmitted pulse of that reply plus 10 microseconds, or the time interval during which a mutual suppression occurs, whichever is greater.

Aircraft Suppression Bus

The TCAS II equipment shall issue a 70 ± 1 microsecond suppression pulse to other on-board aircraft equipment beginning at each interrogation transmitted from the top-mounted antenna. The TCAS II equipment shall issue a 90 ± 1 microsecond suppression pulse to other equipment for each interrogation from the bottom antenna.

If the TCAS II equipment is designed to accept and respond to interference suppression pulses from other electronic equipment in the aircraft (to disable it while the other equipment is transmitting), the equipment shall regain normal sensitivity, within 3 dB, not later than 15 microseconds after the end of the applied interference suppression pulse.

NOTE: The suppression duration must be longer than the interrogation to assure the on-board transponder does not respond to reflections of the TCAS interrogations from the ground (↑2.12). The durations specified above have been determined experimentally to be adequate for this purpose. This document does not establish the design parameters of the interference suppression system other than the durations. However, it is recommend that all sources of interference suppression pulses be DC coupled and sinks be AC coupled. This standardization will prevent source or sink failures from disabling all users of the interference suppression pulses.

Data Integrity Requirements

The interface between TCAS II and the transponder shall be designed to provide communication in the normal operational aircraft environment for that class of TCAS II equipment while assuring error rates of less than one detected error in 10^3 messages and less than one undetected error in 10^7 messages for transfers in both directions. Compliance with this requirement shall be demonstrated either by direct test in a simulated operational environment or by analysis based on the known characteristics of proven interface techniques.

Differential Channel Delay

The total difference in mean transmitter delay between the top and bottom antenna channels (including the TCAS-to-antenna transmission lines) shall not exceed 0.05 microsecond.

The total difference in mean receiver delay between the top and bottom antenna channels (including the TCAS-to-antenna transmission lines) shall not exceed 0.05 microseconds for equal amplitude replies received at signal levels between MTL + 3 dB and + 21 dBm.

In-Band Acceptance

Given a valid transponder reply signal in the absence of interference or overloads, the minimum trigger level (MTL) is defined as the minimum input power level that results in a 90% ratio of decoded to received replies.

- a. The MTL for ATCRBS and Mode S signals over the frequency range of 1087 to 1093 MHz shall be -74 dBm \pm 2 dB.

NOTE: This provides adequate link margin for reliable detection of near-co-altitude aircraft in level flight at a range of 14 nmi (↑1.19.2).

- b. For an input signal power of level -78 dBm or less, no more than 10% of ATCRBS and Mode S signals shall be decoded.
- c. The decoding ratio shall be at least 99% for ATCRBS and Mode S signals between MTL +3 dB and -21 dBm.

If the antenna gain is not as specified in the section Antenna System on page 201, the MTL shall be adjusted to account for the antenna gain. For example, if the antenna gain were 3 dB higher than specified, the nominal MTL would be raised by 3 dB to -71 dBm.

Out-of-Band Rejection

The selectivity of the receiver shall be such that an RF CW signal at the receiver input shall result in the following receiver output levels relative to center frequency as a function of input signal frequency offset.

Input Signal Frequency Difference From 1,090 MHz	Output Signal Level Relative to 1,090 MHz
± 5.5 MHz	-3 dB
± 10 MHz	-20 dB
± 15 MHz	-40 dB
± 25 MHz	-60 dB

Reply Detection And Decoding

The following pulse decoder characteristics shall apply over the RF input signal level range from MTL to -21 dBm:

Mode C Reply Reception. All performance requirements shall be met for pulses having the following characteristics:

Pulse amplitude variation: up to ± 2 dB, relative to F1 amplitude.

Pulse rise time: 0.05 to 0.1 microsecond.

Pulse decay time: 0.05 to 0.2 microsecond.

- a. Description of Mode C Received Signals: The Mode C received signal consists of a pair of framing pulses spaced 20.3 ± 0.1 microseconds apart. The code pulse positions begin 1.45 microseconds after the leading edge of the first framing pulse, and are spaced at 1.45-microsecond intervals thereafter. Each code pulse position has a tolerance of ±0.1 microsecond relative to the first framing pulse and ±0.15 microsecond relative to every other pulse within

the reply. All pulses have a width of 0.45 ± 0.1 microsecond. A one or zero in the reply code is indicated by the presence or absence of a code pulse, respectively.

- b. Criteria for Mode C Pulse Detection: Mode C decoding shall be based on pulse leading edges. The occurrence of a leading edge shall be determined directly from the positive slope of a clear leading edge, or inferred from the pulse width and trailing edge positions associated with overlapping pulses. An actual leading edge is defined as an event for which: the signal rises at a rate exceeding 48 dB per microsecond to a level above the receiver threshold, AND 0.121 microsecond later the rate of rise is less than 48 dB per microsecond. An inferred leading edge is defined as an event in which a leading edge is assumed to exist in order to account for a pulse whose width implies the existence of overlapping pulses. The first qualifying criterion for reception of an Mode C signal shall be the occurrence of a pair of bracket pulse leading edges spaced 20.3 ± 0.121 microseconds apart. The pulses shall not be accepted as a bracket pair if their spacing deviates from 20.3 microseconds by 0.242 microsecond or more, OR if either of the bracket pulses occurs within 0.242 microsecond of a previous bracket pulse, OR if the width of either of the pulses is 0.242 microsecond or less. A Mode C code pulse shall be accepted if its leading edge occurs within 0.121 microsecond of a nominal code pulse position relative to the leading edge of the first bracket pulse. The code pulse shall be rejected if the time of occurrence of its leading edge deviates from a nominal code pulse position by 0.242 microsecond or more, OR if the width of the pulse is 0.242 microsecond or less.
- c. Criteria for Acceptance of Garbled Mode C Replies. The TCAS II equipment shall be capable of correctly determining arrival times and detecting reply brackets and reply codes for at least three valid overlapping Mode C replies whose code and bracket pulses are interleaved, i.e., they fall into the spaces between the other reply code pulses. The equipment shall also be capable of determining arrival times and detecting brackets and reply codes with the following probability for at least three valid overlapping Mode C replies whose code and bracket pulses overlap each other. As a minimum, the probability of correctly decoding three valid replies with overlapping pulses shall be as specified below for the following conditions of reply pulse overlap:

Reply 1	
Reply Code	= 6530
Received Amplitude	= -60 dBm

RF Frequency	=1090 MHz
Probability of Correct Decode	= 50%*
Reply 2	
Reply Code	= 4760
Received Amplitude	= -63 dBm
RF Frequency	= 1084 MHz
Range Relative to Reply 1	= Continuously variable from Reply 1 range plus 21.3 microseconds at t=0 to Reply 1 range minus 21.3 microsecond
Probability of Correct Decode	= 50%*
Reply 3	
Reply Code	= 6710
Received Amplitude	= -57 dBm
RF Frequency	= 1093 MHz
Range Relative to Reply 1	= Continuously variable from Reply 1 range minus 21.3 microseconds at t=0 to Reply 1 range plus 21.3 microseconds
Probability of Correct Decode	= 50%*

*When averaged over all relative arrival times between Reply 1 and Replies 2 and 3.

NOTE: Attempting to detect overlapping reply pulses requires that the TCAS equipment be capable of resolving pulses in situations where overlapped pulse edges are clearly distinguishable, and reconstructing the position of hidden pulses in situations where overlapping pulses of nearly the same amplitude cause the following pulses to be obscured. The TCAS equipment should be designed to reliably decode overlapping replies with any number of code pulses. The reason for basing this specific quantitative requirement on replies with 6 code pulses is that a realizable decoding probability has been determined experimentally for the specific case of 6 code pulses.

- d. Phantom Rejection. The TCAS II equipment shall reject all replies whose brackets could possibly be pulses of preceding or following replies.

NOTE: It is recommended that the Mode C reply processing function be disabled for the duration of a long Mode S reply if a Mode S reply preamble is received during an Mode C listening period. This will prevent the data block of the asynchronous Mode S reply from generating a string of false Mode C fruit replies during the Mode C listening window.

Mode S Squitter and Reply Reception. All performance requirements shall be met for pulses having the following characteristics:

Pulse amplitude variation: up to ± 2 dB, relative to
the amplitude of the first preamble pulse.

Pulse rise time: 0.05 to 0.1 microsecond

Pulse decay time: 0.05 to 0.2 microsecond

- a. Description of Mode S Received Signals: The Mode S received signal consists of a preamble and a data block. The preamble consists of four 0.5 ± 0.05 -microsecond pulses. The second, third, and fourth pulses are spaced 1, 3.5, and 4.5 microseconds respectively from the first transmitted pulse. The data block begins 8 microseconds after the first preamble pulse. Either 56 or 112 one- microsecond bit intervals are assigned to each data block. A pulse with a width of 0.5 ± 0.05 microsecond is transmitted in the first half of each interval to indicate a binary one and the second half of each interval to indicate a binary zero. If a pulse transmitted in the second half of one bit interval is followed by a pulse transmitted in the first half of the next bit interval, the two pulses are merged and a 1 ± 0.05 microsecond pulse is received.
- b. Criteria for Preamble Acceptance: The first qualifying criterion for reception of a Mode S signal shall be the detection of a Mode S preamble. A preamble shall be accepted if each of the four pulse positions of the preamble waveform contains a pulse that is above the receiver threshold for at least 75% of its nominal duration, AND the last three pulses are within ± 0.125 microsecond of their nominal positions relative to the first pulse, AND at least two of the four preamble pulses have actual leading edges (as defined in 2.2.4.4.1 b.) that occur within ± 0.125 microsecond of their nominal edge positions and there are no earlier leading edges associated with those pulses.
- c. Criteria for Data Block Acceptance in Squitter and Asynchronous Transmissions: The initial detection of the Mode S target address is accomplished

by monitoring Mode S squitter transmissions, in the Mode S all-call format. Mode S squitters always contain 56 data bits. Each bit of the Mode S data block shall be decoded by comparing the received signal with a 0.5-microsecond delayed replica of itself to determine the difference between the signal amplitudes at the centers of the two possible pulse positions for that bit.

In the all-call format, the target address is protected by an independent parity field. The TCAS II equipment shall make use of the parity coding in the Mode S squitter to detect and correct squitter messages that are received in error. One means of implementing error correction is described in Appendix E. The TCAS II equipment shall accept only those Mode S squitters that contain the code 01011 in the first 5 bits of the data block and that contain the correct Mode S all-call address. Detection of the Mode S altitude is accomplished by either actively interrogating to elicit a DF=0 reply or by passively monitoring Mode S asynchronous reply transmissions in the DF=0 or DF=4 formats. An asynchronous reply transmission shall be accepted as a valid Mode S altitude reply if: the first 5 bits of the data block contain either the code 00000 or the code 00100, AND the 26th bit is a ZERO, AND the 28th bit is a ZERO, AND bits 20, 22 and 24 do not assume one of the illegal code combinations as follows:

Illegal Altitude Codes		
Bit No.		
20	22	24
(C1)	(C2)	(C3)
0	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	1

FIG. 2-6

AND no more than 34 data bits, of which no more than seven are consecutive, fail the following high confidence test:

Sample the received signal eight times during the one-microsecond bit interval to determine if the amplitude of the received signal is above or below the dynamic minimum triggering level of the receiver. The data bit shall be declared a high-confidence bit if, between the first and second of the two possible pulse positions for that bit, the difference in the number of samples for which the signal is above DMTL is at least three AND the sign of this difference agrees with the decoded value of the bit.

NOTE: These detection criteria for Mode S replies provide a means of pre-filtering asynchronous Mode S replies to minimize the time spent searching the track file for non-existent Mode S addresses.

Interrogation Link Interference

The equipment shall employ means of preventing multipath signals (↑2.12) from causing mode conversion or transponder suppression on the interrogation link.

The use of the whisper-shout interrogation sequence is specified on page 195 (↑2.10.1). This sequence is one means of reducing the effect of uplink multipath to an acceptable level by causing transponders to be interrogated at power levels close to their MTL values. Since most signal-to-multipath ratios are high, most multipath signal will be reduced to levels below transponder MTL by use of the whisper-shout interrogation sequence.

Reply Link Interference

The equipment shall employ means of rejecting low level multipath signals (↑2.12). Specifically, the equipment shall be able to successfully detect and decode valid replies under the following simultaneous conditions of reply signal level and multipath signal level:

a. ATCRBS Reply Link

Minimum reply signal level	= MTL + 11dB
Maximum multipath signal level	= Reply level - 10dB

b. Mode S Reply Link

Minimum reply signal level	= MTL + 8db
Maximum multipath signal level	= Reply level - 7dB

Appendix E describes one means of rejecting low level multipath signals on the reply link.

Narrow Pulse Discrimination. The means for rejecting low level multipath signals shall not be responsive to pulses that have a width of less than 0.3 microseconds.

TACAN and DME Discrimination. The means for rejecting low level multipath signals shall not be responsive to pulses that have a rise time exceeding 0.5 microsecond.

Narrow Pulse Rejection

The TCAS II equipment shall reject any received ATCRBS bracket or code pulses that have a width of less than 0.242 microseconds.

TACAN and DME Signal Rejection

The TCAS II equipment shall reject any received pulse with a rise time exceeding 0.5 microsecond.

Control Of ATCRBS Synchronous Garble

The equipment shall provide a means of controlling ATCRBS synchronous garble (↑2.10) to a level that will enable TCAS to achieve the system requirements specified in this document on a target of interest as defined herein when operating in the defined environment.

ATCRBS synchronous interference can be controlled by the use of a Mode C whisper/shout interrogation sequence and by the use of a directional transmitting antenna. The degree to which synchronous interference can be reduced depends on the resolution of the whisper-shout interrogation sequence and the azimuth directionality of the antenna. The TCAS equipment shall employ a whisper/shout interrogation sequence which contains, as a minimum, the number of interrogation steps associated with the whisper/shout sequence specified on Page 196. The extent to which the selected whisper/shout design exceeds the required minimum in order to satisfy the system requirements specified depends on the azimuth beamwidth associated with the transmit antenna. TCAS shall also employ a top mounted directional interrogation antenna.

The following subparagraphs define the important parameters of a whisper-shout interrogation sequence and an antenna interrogation pattern that will enable a manufacturer to select an acceptable design for control of synchronous garble. The improvements in degarbling performance of various whisper/shout sequences and antenna beamwidths are presented relative to the degarbling performance of the required minimum whisper-shout interrogation sequence specified on Page 195 and to the degarbling performance of an omnidirectional interrogation antenna, respectively.

Control Of Synchronous Garble By Whisper/Shout. To control ATCRBS synchronous interference and also to reduce the severity of multipath effects on the interrogation link (↑2.12), a sequence of interrogations at different power levels shall be transmitted during each surveillance update period. Each of the interrogations in the sequence, other than the one at lowest power, shall be preceded by

a suppression pulse (designated S1) 2 microseconds preceding the P1 pulse. The combination of S1 and P1 shall serve as a suppression transmission. S1 shall be at a power level lower than that of P1. The minimum time between successive interrogations shall be 1 millisecond. All interrogations in the sequence shall be transmitted within a single surveillance update interval.

- **Assumption:** The intended mechanism is that each aircraft replies to only one or two of the interrogations in a sequence. A typical population of ATCRBS transponders at any given range may have a large spread in effective sensitivity due to variations in receivers, cable losses, and antenna shielding. Typically, each transponder in the population will respond to two interrogations in the sequence, and will be turned off by the higher power suppression transmissions accompanying higher-power interrogations in the sequence. Given a situation in which several aircraft are near enough to each other in range for their replies to synchronously interfere, it is unlikely they would all reply to the same interrogation and, as a result, the severity of synchronous interference is reduced.

Minimum Required Whisper/Shout Sequence. Figure ?? depicts the shortest whisper-shout sequence that has been developed, tested and shown to be effective in providing a minimum level of degarbling performance. For TCAS II, use of this whisper/shout sequence would have to be complemented by a highly directional antenna system in order to meet the TCAS requirement for control of synchronous interference. The sequence, as illustrated, applies to the forward beam of a directional antenna. The whisper-shout sequences in the remaining beams of a directional antenna system shall be reduced in power to account for the shorter range requirement for aircraft that approach from those directions.

The illustrated sequence contains four interrogations that range from a full power interrogation to one having 18 dB attenuation. All power levels associated with the interrogation pulses shall be within ± 2 dB of nominal. The tolerance of the step increments shall be ± 2 dB and the steps, if arranged in a monotonic sequence, shall increment linearly throughout the entire power range of the sequence. The tolerance associated with the nominal difference between the suppression pulse and its associated interrogation pulse shall be the smaller of ± 2 dB or 1/4 of the nominal difference. The MTL used in the reply listening period following each interrogation shall be related to the interrogation power in such fashion as to maintain a balance between the uplink and downlink surveillance performance (see Appendix E for an example of this relationship). The MTL values are based on the assumption that replies to all interrogations are received omni directionally. If a directional-receive antenna is used, the MTL values must be adjusted to account

for the antenna gain. For example, for a net antenna gain of + 3 dB, all MTL values would be raised by 3 dB relative to the values associated with an omnidirectional antenna. Although the steps in the sequence may be transmitted in any order, the steps shall be dropped in the order decreasing power level when the sequence is truncated as a result of interference limiting.

Alternative Whisper-Shout Sequences for Improved Performance. The extent to which a whisper-shout interrogation sequence reduces synchronous garble depends on the resolution of its interrogation steps. The resolution of a whisper-shout sequence is best described in terms of "bin-width," which is the difference in dB between an interrogation and the associated suppression. For example, the bin-width of the minimum required 4-level sequence illustrated in Figure 2-7 is 9 dB. The following table provides relative improvement factors for higher resolution whisper- shout sequences employing bin-width values from 8 dB to 1 dB.

Bin-Width (dB)	De garbling Improvement Factor
8	1.1
7	1.2
6	1.4
5	1.6
4	1.9
3	2.4
2	3.1
1	4.4

FIG. 2-7

As an example, a whisper-shout sequence with a bin-width of 2 dB will provide somewhat greater than 3 times the de garbling capability provided by the 4-level sequence.

Alternative whisper-shout sequences must satisfy the following additional requirements:

- a. The total extent of the sequence in the forward direction must span a dynamic range of at least 24 dB where dynamic range is defined as the product of the number of whisper-shout steps and step increment. For example, for a dynamic range of 24 dB, the 4-level whisper-shout sequence specified on Page 196 has a step increment of 6 dB.
- b. The nominal amplitude of each of the interrogation pulses, if arranged in a monotonic sequence, shall increment linearly throughout the entire power range. The transmission of the interrogation steps can actually occur in

any order without affecting the degarbling performance of the whisper-shout sequence.

- c. The tolerance associated with each of the interrogation pulses shall be the smaller of ± 2 dB or $1/2$ of the nominal step increment size of a monotonically arranged sequence. The tolerance associated with the nominal bin-width shall be the smaller of ± 2 dB or $1/4$ of the nominal bin-width.
- d. The power level of the highest powered interrogation shall be such as to provide adequate coverage at the cross-over points of adjacent beams of a directional antenna. For a 4-beam antenna the Effective Radiated Power of the highest powered interrogation shall be at least +52 dBm.
- d. The level of the suppression pulse relative to the preceding interrogation pulses shall be within ± 0.5 dB of the difference between the step increment value and the bin-width value where step increment is determined from paragraph a. above and bin-width is related to the number of steps as follows:
$$\text{bin-width} = -0.325 (\text{number of steps}) + 10.3.$$

Appendix E describes one possible implementation of a successful 24-level whisper/shout interrogation sequence in conjunction with a 4-beam directional antenna.

Control Of Synchronous Garble By Directional Interrogation. A directional interrogation antenna mounted on the top of the aircraft is required for reliable TCAS II surveillance of ATCRBS targets in aircraft densities up to 0.3 aircraft per square nmi. The required azimuth resolution of the directional antenna for reply degarbling depends on the specific whisper-shout sequence used. A high-resolution whisper-shout sequence will reduce the need for high resolution in azimuth and vice-versa. The following discussion of antenna requirements and definition of antenna characteristics will enable the manufacturer to determine the degarbling benefits to be gained as a function of azimuth resolution.

In order to reduce synchronous garble, the interrogation beamwidth shall be limited by transmission of a P2 sidelobe suppression pulse following each P1 interrogation pulse by 2 microseconds. The P2 pulse shall be transmitted on a separate control pattern and shall have the same shape as the other pulses specified in 2.2.3.8. The azimuth and elevation patterns of all beams shall be as specified in section Antenna System on Page 201.

Interrogation beamwidth limiting, using the P2 suppression pulse, shall be controlled to prevent transponder reply gaps between adjacent directional beams. The minimum required reply beamwidth is defined as the maximum amount of

beamwidth limiting that still causes a maximum-suppression transponder located at any azimuth angle and between +20 degrees and -15 degrees elevation to reply to interrogations from at least one of the directional beams. A maximum-suppression transponder is defined as one that, when interrogated by a whisper-shout interrogation sequence, replies only when the received ratio of P1 to P2 exceeds the whisper-shout bin-width as defined in the alternative whisper-shout sequence on Page 197. When the relative P2 power level is adjusted to satisfy the above conditions, the required reply beamwidth is optimally minimized resulting in a maximum amount of degarbling.

The TCAS effective radiated power (ERP) level in any azimuth direction shall be sufficient to satisfy the specified system requirements. Effective radiated power is defined as the product of the net power delivered to the antenna terminal times the gain of the antenna at 0 degrees elevation and at the azimuth of interest, where antenna gain is specified relative to a matched quarter-wave stub.

For a directional interrogation top antenna, the ERP at the azimuth peak of each beam shall be selected to maintain adequate range coverage, as defined by the product of the appropriate closing speed and time to closest-point-of-approach, at the crossover point of two adjacent beams.

For a 4-beam directional top antenna with a 90 degree azimuth beamwidth, the ERP associated with the largest whisper/shout step in the forward beam shall be at least +52 dBm in order to provide the necessary coverage at the crossover points of the two adjacent beams. The ERP associated with the largest whisper/shout step in each of the side beams shall be -4 dB relative to the forward beam and the ERP associated with the largest whisper/shout step in the rear beam shall be -9 dB relative to the forward beam in order to account for the lower closing speeds in those directions.

NOTE: For a 4-beam antenna, the minimum ERP requirement of +52 dBm coupled with the minimum antenna gain requirement of at least -1dB relative to a matched quarter-wave stub (Section Antenna System on page 201) results in a minimum of +52 dBm delivered to the antenna terminals. Conversely, the maximum total radiated power (TRP) requirement of +50 dBm in Section 2.2.3.1 coupled with an antenna gain of 0 dB relative to a matched quarter-wave stub results in a maximum of +56 dBm delivered to the antenna terminals. The performance specified in Section 2.2.2 is based on a nominal power level of +54 dBm at the antenna terminals.

In terms of effective radiated power level, the largest interrogation transmitted from the bottom omni-directional antenna shall be no larger than -18 dB relative to the largest whisper/shout step in the forward beam of the top antenna in order to minimize multipath interference and to reduce the impact of interference limiting.

Degarbling Performance As A Function Of Azimuth Resolution The degarbling improvement factor associated with directional interrogations can be estimated by determining the "average beamwidth" which is defined as that azimuth beamwidth over which an average transponder will reply to an interrogation. Since the minimum and maximum reply beamwidths are bounded by P1/P2 = bin-width and 0 dB, the average transponder can be considered to reply when its received P1 to P2 ratio equals one-half of the bin-width. Although the average directional beamwidth is a good indicator of the quantity of valid replies received, it does not predict the total quantity actually observed through experience. Use of whisper-shout means that transponders are being interrogated near their threshold level. This fact occasionally causes the P2 pulse and P4 pulse of an interrogation that occurs outside of the main beam to trigger the transponder into replying with a delayed Mode C reply. These unwanted replies, which account for 20% of the valid replies, add to the synchronous garble problem and must be accounted for. An "effective beamwidth" is defined which is 1.2 times the average beamwidth described above. The degarbling improvement factor associated with a specific directional antenna system relative to an omni antenna is then:

$$\text{Improvement Factor} = \frac{360}{\text{Effective Beamwidth}}$$

Bearing Error

Bearing error shall not exceed nine degrees rms or 27 degrees peak over all azimuth angles and over elevation angles from -10 degrees to +10 degrees in the absence of interference and multipath, using Mode S replies or Mode C replies having five or more code pulses (in addition to the framing pulses), when the antenna is installed at the center of a minimum 1.2 m (4 ft.) diameter circular ground plane that can be either flat or cylindrical.

For elevation angles from +10 degrees to +20 degrees the bearing error shall not exceed 15 degrees rms or 45 degrees peak over all azimuth angles under the conditions of Section 2.2.4.6.4.2.1.

Note: The bearing estimation system may include a built-in automatic bearing bias correction capability if the bearing bias can become inconsistent with these requirements due to drift or component change. If provided, the automatic calibration should be accomplished immediately after every power turn-on event.

Bearing Filter Performance

The Mode S and Mode C angle of arrival reply measurements for each intruder aircraft shall be filtered to reduce angular fluctuations. The technique used to develop smoothed target bearing estimates shall be consistent with and, where required, subservient to the range and altitude surveillance algorithms.

The bearing filter shall produce new estimates of target bearing once each surveillance update interval.

The bearing filter shall produce continuous, smoothed target bearing estimates for Mode S targets or Mode C targets containing one or more ungarbled pulses. The estimates shall have an rms error of less than five degrees and a peak error of less than ± 15 degrees from five seconds after valid reply bearing measurements begin until valid reply measurements terminate, when interference, multipath and systematic antenna errors are not present and when the actual target bearing rate does not exceed one degree per second. Valid reply bearing measurements for this requirement are derived from Mode C replies using up to seven ungarbled pulses or Mode S replies for which the address is correctly decoded.

The bearing filter shall produce target bearing estimates that lag valid reply bearing measurements by no more than five seconds for steady-state bearing rates of three degrees per second.

Note: The maximum constant bearing rate of practical significance is three degrees per second, due to own aircraft heading changes during standard turns. Higher short-term rates can occur during the lateral passage of an aircraft. When an aircraft flies by at close range, its bearing changes by nearly 180 degrees within a few seconds. The resulting angular acceleration is difficult to track continuously with a bearing tracker alone. For this reason, it is recommended that the algorithm for predicting bearing be based on Cartesian position estimates rather than polar position estimates.

Appendix E describes a Cartesian alpha-beta estimation algorithm that has been used successfully to develop smoothed target bearing estimates.

Antenna System

The equipment shall transmit interrogations and receive replies from top mounted and bottom mounted antennas.

NOTE: A TCAS unit and Mode S transponder may share a single pair of antennas.

Polarization The antennas shall be vertically polarized.

Transmit Radiation Pattern The TCAS II equipment shall be capable of providing directional interrogations from top-mounted antennas for surveillance of Mode C targets in densities up to 0.3 aircraft per sq. nmi. (↑1.19.1) An omnidirectional bottom transmit antenna is sufficient for TCAS II since most of the interrogations are transmitted from the top antenna in order to reduce susceptibility to multipath interference from the ground. The use of a bottom directional transmit antenna and the use of directional interrogations for surveillance of Mode S targets and for transmission of TCAS Broadcast interrogations is optional.

The directional interrogation antenna shall generate an azimuth beam that is sequentially positioned to provide adequate surveillance coverage over 360 degrees azimuth. To ensure adequate coverage, the directional antenna 3 dB beamwidth in azimuth shall not be less than the separation between adjacent azimuth beam positions. Beamwidth control is further provided by the P2 suppression pulse. Also, the shapes of the antenna azimuth patterns shall be controlled such that a minimum-suppression transponder, defined as one that replies when the received ratio of P1 to P2 exceeds 0 dB shall reply to interrogations from no more than two adjacent directional beams. This requirement shall apply for each elevation angle between +20 degrees and -15 degrees.

The gain at the azimuth peak-of-beam of each directional beam shall not be less than the gain of a matched quarter-wave stub from -15 degrees to +20 degrees in elevation when installed at the center of a 1.2 m (4 ft.) diameter (or larger) circular ground plane that can be either flat or cylindrical.

The gain of an omnidirectional transmit pattern (if employed) shall not be less than the gain of a matched quarter-wave stub minus one dB over 90% of a coverage volume from 0 to 360 degrees in azimuth and -15 to +20 degrees in elevation when installed at the center of a 1.2 m (4 ft.) diameter (or larger) circular ground plane that can be either flat or cylindrical.

If the antenna gain is not as specified above, the transmitted power shall be adjusted to satisfy the Power requirements specified in Paragraphs 2.2.3.1 and 2.2.4.5.4.2.2.

Receive Radiation Pattern A TCAS II that employs an omnidirectional receive pattern shall meet all of the gain requirements specified herein for an omnidirectional transmit pattern.

A TCAS II that employs a directional receive pattern consisting of four simultaneous directional beams shall meet the following gain requirements when installed at the center of a 1.2 m (4 ft.) diameter (or larger) circular ground plane that can be either flat or cylindrical. The gain of the elevation pattern at the azimuth peak-of-beam of each directional beam shall not be less than the gain of the elevation pattern of a matched quarter wave stub from -15 degrees to +20 degrees

in elevation. The gain of the crossover points between adjacent directional beams shall not be less than the adjacent peak-of-beam gain minus 4 dB from -15 degrees to +20 degrees in elevation.

A TCAS II that employs a receive pattern consisting of more than four simultaneous directional beams shall meet the azimuth peak-of-beam gain requirement stated above for the 4-beam antenna. The gain, relative to peak-of-beam, at the crossover points between adjacent directional beams of this antenna shall match, within 1 dB, the gain required to account for the maximum closing speed that occurs in the direction of the crossover point.

If the antenna gain is not as specified above, the nominal receiver MTL shall be adjusted to account for the antenna gain.

NOTE: For example, for a relative peak-of-beam antenna gain of -3 dB, the MTL value associated with a reply received via this beam shall be lowered by 3 dB.

Squitter Listening The equipment shall monitor squitters via top and bottom antennas that are capable of simultaneous reception over 360 degrees of azimuth. If reception is switched, the switching times shall be controlled to avoid undesirable synchronism with the squitters transmitted by Mode S diversity transponders.

This can take the form of simultaneous reception using two receivers and two decoders or switched reception using a single receiver. Mode S transponders alternate the antennas used for squitter transmissions at 1-second intervals. It is acceptable for TCAS to switch antennas for squitter monitoring at intervals of 2 sec, i.e., after two successive surveillance update periods.

Interrogations and Replies The equipment shall transmit each Mode C or Mode S interrogation via one or the other of two antennas. Interrogations shall not be transmitted simultaneously via both antennas. Replies shall be received from the same antenna that was used to transmit the interrogation.

Switches and Inhibits

The configuration interface may need switches or sensors beside the basic airplane flap position switches to prevent unnecessary TCAS II inhibits (↑2.38, 2.39, 2.72.1). For example, if CLIMB RAs need to be inhibited for the maximum takeoff flap only, and no switch exists to sense that position, an additional switch should be installed in lieu of simply using one that may exist at lesser flap angles.

Surveillance

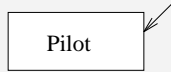
We modeled the blackbox surveillance logic requirements for the FAA, but we have not yet translated the specification from our old language (RSML) into our new language (SpecTRM-RL) so they are not included here.

Collision Avoidance

This section includes a formal model of the blackbox behavior of the collision avoidance subsystem. The model is written in SpecTRM-RL, a successor to our earlier specification language RSML. We improved the model somewhat while translating it to the new language, but it is still more awkward and complicated than necessary in order to reflect the original pseudocode specification.

SUPERVISORY INTERFACE

SUPERVISORY
MODES



PILOT
CONTROLS

Mode Selector (TA/RA, Standby,
TA-Only, 3,4,5,6,7)



PILOT
DISPLAYS

Own Goal
Altitude Rate



Other Relative
Altitude



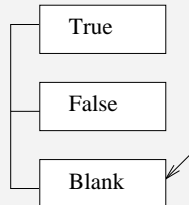
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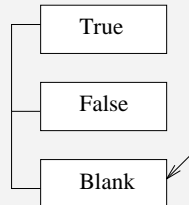
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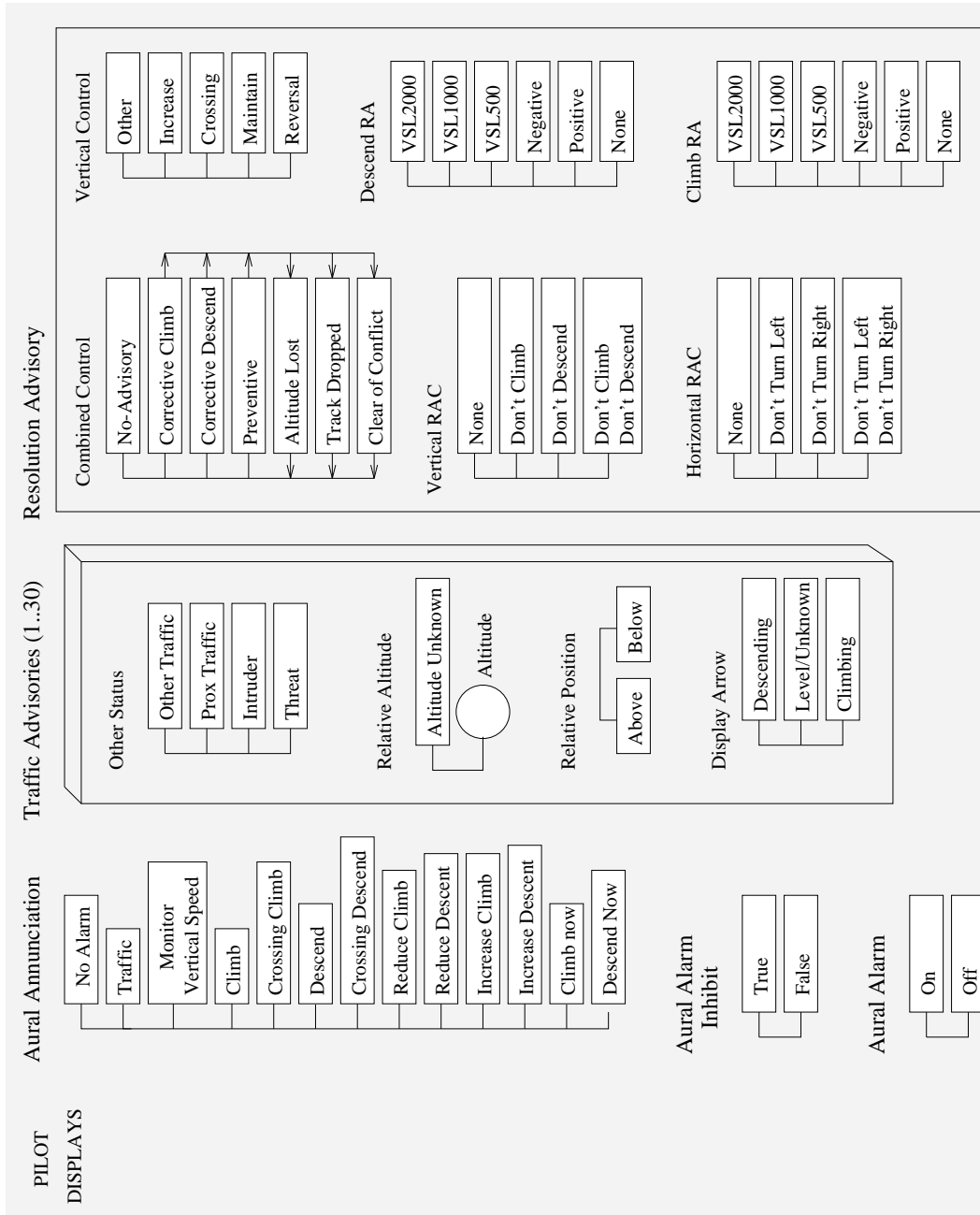
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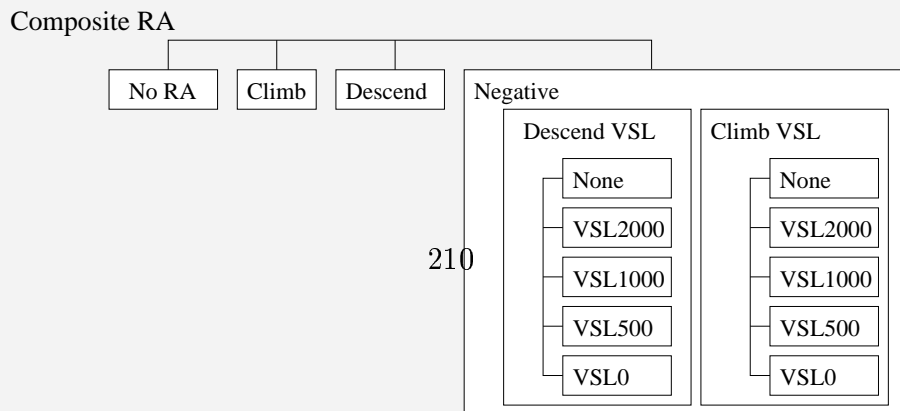
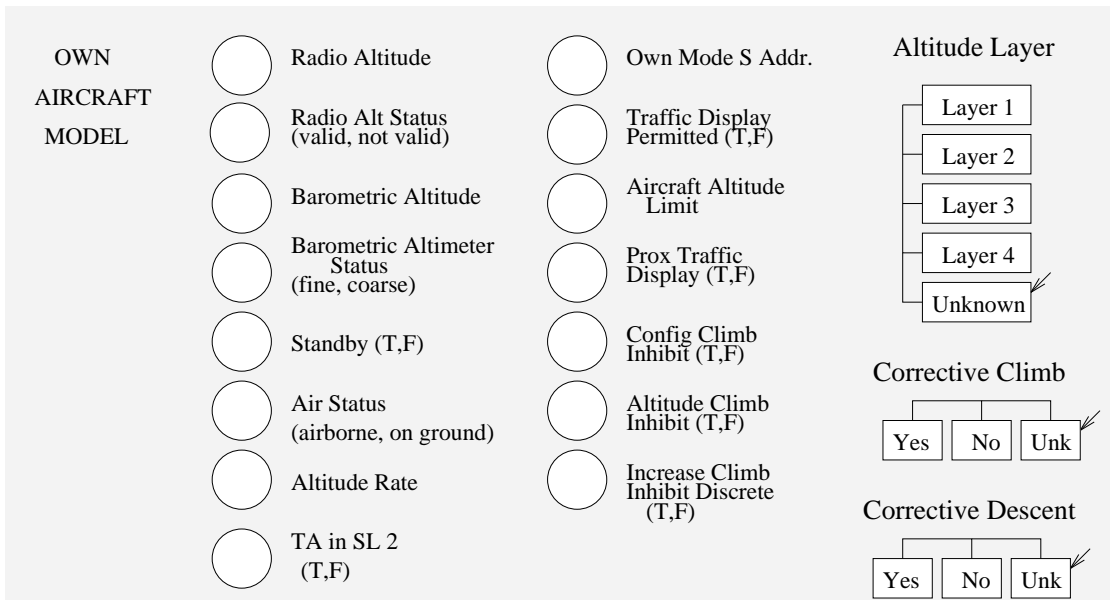
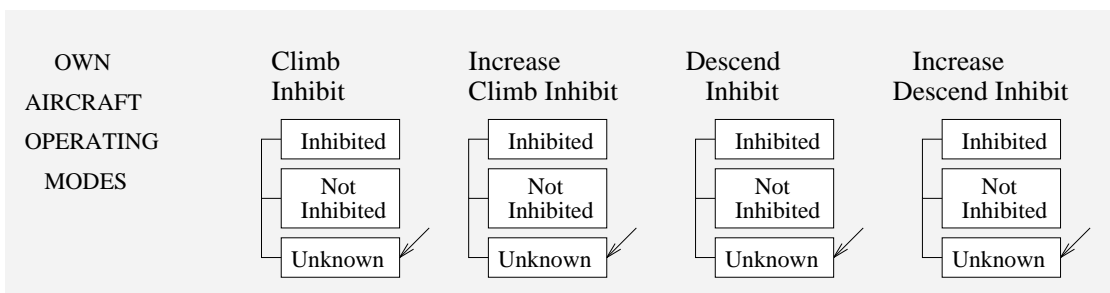
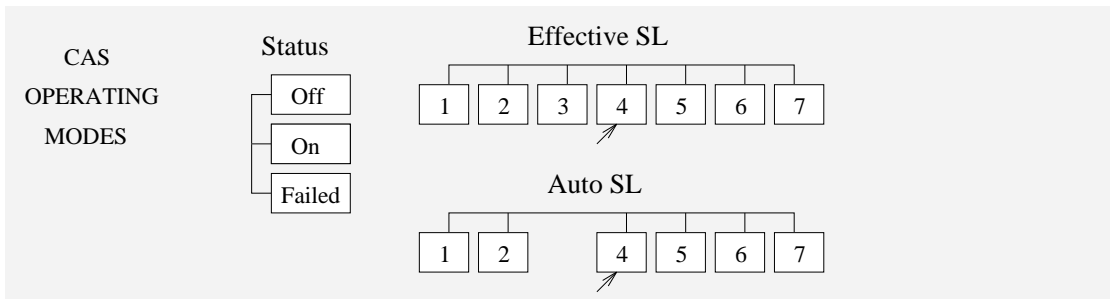
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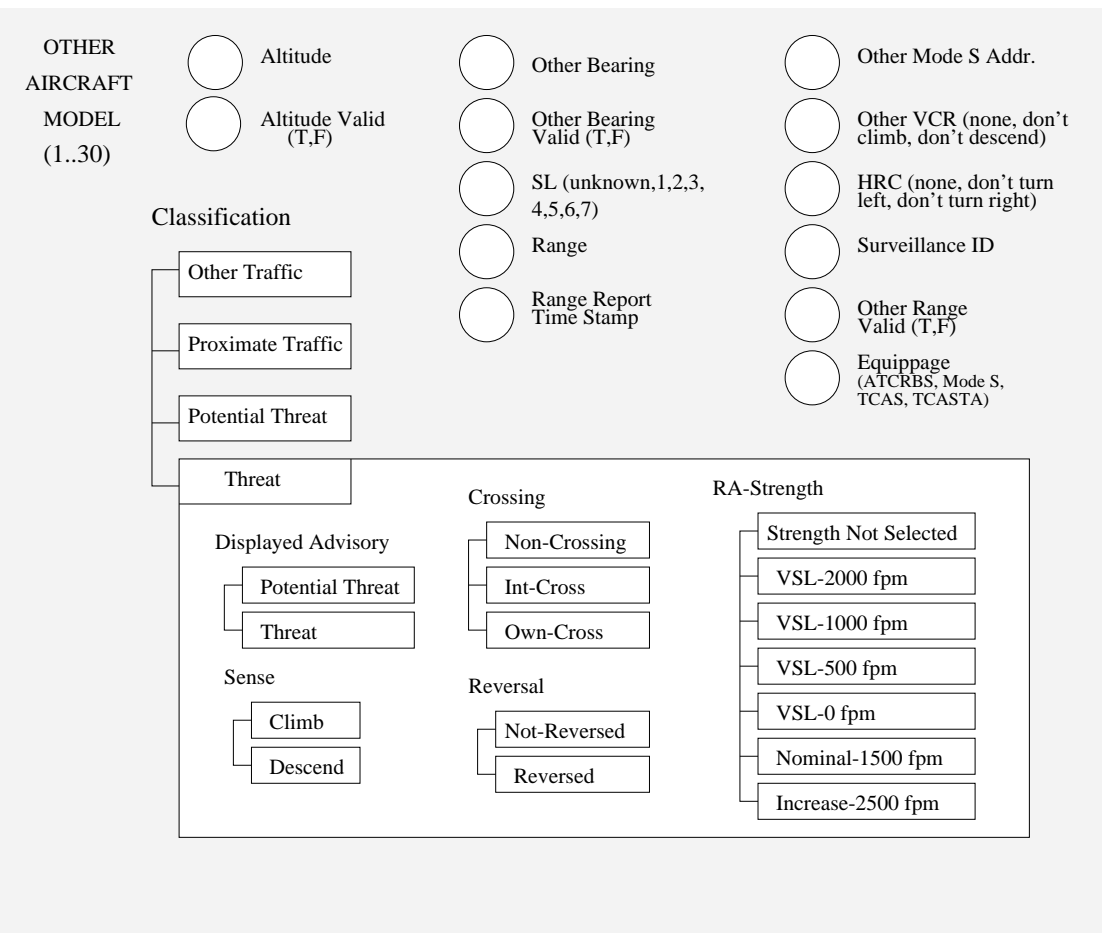
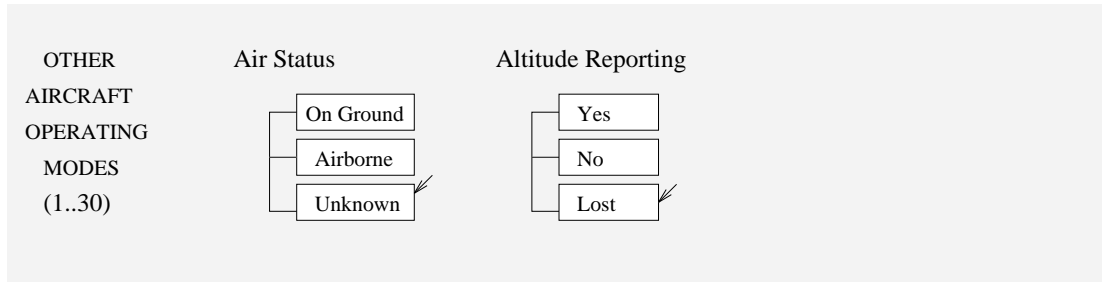
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OWN AIRCRAFT



OTHER AIRCRAFT



GROUND STATION

GROUND
STATION
OPERATING
MODES
(1..??)

Ground Station ID
(not in use or number)



Ground Commanded SL
(cancel, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)



Coordination-Update

Destination: Mode-S-Transponder

Comments: Coordination-Update is an ARINC 429 message with label 273. ARINC 735 specifies the format of the coordination update message. It contains additional fields, such as sensitivity level, that are not specified in the pseudocode.

Note that the pseudocode sends a coordination update message to the transponder each time it processes a threat in RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION. Threat processing is not applicable to black-box requirements, so only one message is sent, once the composite RA has completed its state transition. This takes care of the once per second requirement in HOUSEKEEPING too.

References: (↑) TCAS/TCAS Coordination (2.60,2.64,2.64.1),
 (↓) RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING (p. 3-P11),
 (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION (p. 6-P11),
 (↓) HOUSEKEEPING (p. 6-P95).

Appears In:

TRIGGERING CONDITION

Received intruder intent	T	·
Composite-RA evaluated	·	T

MESSAGE CONTENTS

FIELD	VALUE
ARA (bits 12–16)	Climb-RA _{v-233}
ARA (bits 17–21)	Descend-RA _{v-235}
ARA (bits 22–25)	0
RAC (bits 26–27)	Vertical-RAC _{v-229}
RAC (bits 28–29)	Horizontal-RAC _{v-230}

Resolution-Message

Destination: TCAS-Transmitter

References: (↓) Send_Initial_Intent (p. 6-P57), (↓) Complete_Send_Intent (p. 6-P59).

Appears In:

TRIGGERING CONDITION

there exists i :

(event, change to state) Need to send resolution message[i]	T	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Waiting-For-Reply	T	·
Some Other-Aircraft _{s-441} in state Waiting-For-Reply	·	F
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Waiting-to-Coordinate	·	T

MESSAGE CONTENTS

FIELD	VALUE
TBD	Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292}
(MU)MID	Own-Mode-S-Address _{v-254}
(MU)MTB	Multi-Aircraft-Flag _{f-329}
(MU)CVC	CVC _{f-388} (i)
(MU)VRC	VRC _{f-428} (i)
(MU)VSB	VSB _{f-429} (CVC _{f-388} (i), VRC _{f-428} (i))

Intruder-Info

Destination: Display-Unit

Comments: Intruder information is sent via three ARINC 429 messages. The first is called the “range word” (label 130), the second is the “altitude word” (label 131), and the third is the “bearing estimate word” (label 132). The fields in this message refer to the bits in these three words. (See ARINC Characteristic 735.)

References: (↑) Traffic Display (2.77), (↑) Optional Displays (2.81),
(↓) Traffic_display (p. 7-P19),

Appears In:

TRIGGERING CONDITION

Some Traffic-Display-Status[i] in state Waiting-To-Send	T
No-Waiting-Intruders-With-Priority _{f-336} (i)	T

MESSAGE CONTENTS

FIELD	VALUE
Range Word, bits 19–29	Other-Tracked-Range _{f-434} (i)
Alt. Word, bits 20–21	Display-Arrow _{s-226} [i]
Alt. Word, bits 22–29	Other-Relative-Altitude _{s-224} [i]
Bearing Word, bits 16–18	Other-Status _{s-223} [i]
Bearing Word, bits 19–29	Other-Bearing _{v-287} [i]

Aural-Alarm-Message

Destination: Display-Unit

Description: If Aural-Alarm-Inhibit_{v-222} is true, then no alarm is sounded. The display unit is expected to know that the particular aural alarm is given by Vertical-Control_{s-231}. Further, it should sound a “clear of conflict” aural alarm when Aural-Alarm_{v-221} goes from “true” to “false”.

The field names are taken from the MOPS.

References: (↑) sections 2.73.3—2.73.5.

Appears In:

TRIGGERING CONDITION

apparently sent once per cycle

T

MESSAGE CONTENTS

FIELD	VALUE
ALARM	Aural-Alarm _{v-221}
TURN_OFF_AURALS	Aural-Alarm-Inhibit _{v-222}

Resolution-Advisory

Destination: Display-Unit

Comments: Resolution-Advisory is an ARINC 429 message with label 270. See ARINC Characteristic 735 for more information on message format.

The advisory is required to be recomputed approximately once per second (↑section 2.56.3). The surveillance component sends its reports once per second ($\pm 0.2s$), which causes the RA-Message to be output at the same rate.

References: (↑) Displays (2.74, 2.75), (↑) RA Display Function (2.79, 2.80)

Appears In:

TRIGGERING CONDITION

Composite-RA_{s-266} not in state No-RA

T

MESSAGE CONTENTS

FIELD	VALUE
Bits 11–17	Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{v-219}
Bits 18–20	Combined-Control _{v-227}
Bits 21–23	Vertical-Control _{v-231}
Bits 24–26	Climb-RA _{v-233}
Bits 27–29	Descend-RA _{v-235}

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Controls
 ↪ **Mode-Selector**

Possible Values: {TA/RA, Standby, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}
Capacity: 1/s
Description: Flight crew selectable operational mode
Comments: Settings 3..7 are optional.
References: (↓) Periodic-data-processing (p. 3-P23), (↓) MANUAL
Appears In: Auto-SL, Effective-SL, Mode-Selector, RA-Inhibit,
 Standby-Condition

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**Pilot-Selected-SL**)

RECEIVE Own-Update-Message FROM Mode-S-Transponder

T

= PREV(**Mode-Selector**_{v-218})

RECEIVE Own-Update-Message FROM Mode-S-Transponder

F

Supervisory-Interface

↪ Pilot-Displays

↪ **Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate**

Possible Values: Unspecified

Units: ft/s

Granularity: Unspecified

Capacity: 1/s for CAS.

Description: There are four contexts for this variable.

1. If no positive RA is issued for the intruder in question, then the value of Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate is 0.
2. The first time a positive RA is generated on an intruder, and any time a new intruder appears while a positive RA still exists, Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate takes the maximum value of the current displayed model goal, 1500 fpm, and the current altitude rate in the direction of the RA. (Note: if a positive descend RA is issued, the minimum of all values is taken, producing the most negative number.)
3. Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate is set to 2500 fpm in the direction of the RA when an increase is issued. The value may be increased (decreased for a descend RA) if any new threat appears and own altitude rate has surpassed Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate.
4. Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate is set to the greater of 1500 fpm and own altitude rate when an increase goes away. Note that this may actually increase the modelled goal rate. This is a bug which has been fixed by a PTR.

References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81), (↓) Determine_goal_rate (p. 7-P29), (↓) ZDMODEL

Appears In: Climb-Goal, Crossing, Descend-Goal, Opposite-Rates, Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate, Resolution-Advisory, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV

DEFINITION

= 0

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T	·
Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Negative	·	T

= max(Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, PREV(Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{s-219}),
Climb-Goal(8))

New-Climb _{m-330}	T	·
New-Threat _{m-332}	·	T
New-Increase-Climb _{m-333}	F	F

= min(Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, PREV(Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{s-219}),
Descend-Goal(8))

New-Descend _{m-331}	T	·
New-Threat _{m-332}	·	T
New-Increase-Descend _{m-334}	F	F

= 2500 ft/min_(INCCLMRATE)

New-Increase-Climb _{m-333}	T
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= -2500 ft/min_(INCDESRATE)

New-Increase-Descend _{m-334}	T
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= max(Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, Climb-Goal(8))

Increase-Climb-Cancelled _{m-325}	T
New-Increase-Descend _{m-334}	F

= min(Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, Descend-Goal(8))

Increase-Descend-Cancelled _{m-326}	T
New-Increase-Climb _{m-333}	F

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ **Aural-Alarm**

Possible Values: {Off, On}

References: (↓) ALARM, (↓) Set_up_global_flags (p. 7-P33).

Appears In: Aural-Alarm-Message

DEFINITION

= Off

Some New-Track _{m-312}	F
Preventive-To-Corrective _{m-342}	F
Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed _{m-319}	F

= On

Some New-Track _{m-312}	T	·	·
Preventive-To-Corrective _{m-342}	·	T	·
Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed _{m-319}	·	·	T

Supervisory-Interface

↪ Pilot-Displays

↪ **Aural-Alarm-Inhibit****Possible Values:** True, False**Capacity:** 1/s for CAS.**Description:** “If set, aural annunciations are inhibited”**References:** (↑) section 2.73.6, (↓) Set_up_global_flags (p. 7-P33),
(↓) TURN_OFF_AURALS**Appears In:** Aural-Alarm-Message**DEFINITION****INITIALLY** → **False**

true

True → **False**

$\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f.394} > 600 \text{ ft}_{(\text{ZNOAURALHI})}$	T
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False → **True**

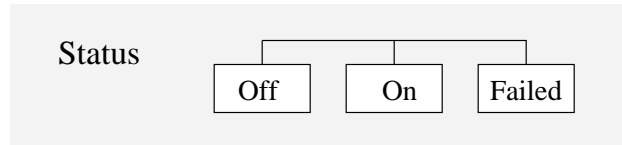
$\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f.394} < 400 \text{ ft}_{(\text{ZNOAURALLO})}$	T
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Supervisory-Interface

↪ Pilot-Displays

↪ Traffic-Advisories[i]

↪



Capacity: 1/s for CAS.

References: (↓) TACODE

Appears In: Intruder-Info

DEFINITION

= **Other-Traffic**

Classification **in state** Other-Traffic T

= **Proximate-Traffic**

Classification **in state** Proximate-Traffic T

= **Potential-Threat**

Classification in state Potential-Threat	T	·
Displayed-Advisory in state TA	·	T

= **Threat**

Displayed-Advisory **in state** RA T

Supervisory-Interface

↪ Pilot-Displays

↪ Traffic-Advisories[i]

↪ **Other-Relative-Altitude**

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Intruder-Info, Potential-Threat-Alt-Test,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Threat-Alt-Test,
VSL-OK

DEFINITION

Own-Tracked-Alt_{f.437} – Other-Tracked-Alt_{f.432}

State

Supervisory-Interface

↪ Pilot-Displays

↪ Traffic-Advisories[i]

↪ **Relative-Position**

Possible Values: Above, Below

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= Above

$\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{s-432} \geq \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f-437}$

T

= Below

$\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{s-432} < \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f-437}$

T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Traffic-Advisories[i]
 ↪ **Display-Arrow**

Possible Values: {Level/Unknown, Climbing, Descending}

Description: This models the arrow that should be output on the traffic display.

Comments: Note that the combination of “Level” and “Unknown” can lead to confusion. We do not know why TCAS was designed this way.
 The interface with the display component is not explicitly modelled in the pseudocode.
 Note that if $\text{Track-Status}_{f.420} = \text{Unconfirmed}$, then no transition is taken.

References: (↓) PROCESS Set_arrow (p. 4-P37)

Appears In: Intruder-Info

DEFINITION

= **Level/Unknown**

Altitude-Reporting _{v.293} = False	T	·
Track-Status _{f.420} = one of New, Oscillating, Level	·	T

= **Climbing**

Altitude-Reporting _{v.293} = False	T	
Track-Status _{f.420} = Established	T	
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f.433} ≥ 0	T	

= **Descending**

Altitude-Reporting _{v.293} = False	T	
Track-Status _{f.420} = Established	T	
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f.433} < 0	T	

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Combined-Control**

Possible Values: {No-Advisory, Corrective-Climb, Corrective-Descend, Preventive, Altitude-Lost, Track-Dropped, Clear-of-Conflict}

Comments: The pseudocode allows corrective climb and descend both to be set (Corrective_preventive_test), but then allows only one to be passed on to the display (Set_up_display_outputs). This forces a non-deterministic choice by the pseudocode in the latter routine. It is modelled here by allowing the conditions on both the any-to-Corrective-Climb and any-to-Corrective-Descend transitions to be simultaneously true, since Corrective-Climb_{s-263} and Corrective-Descend_{s-264} may both be in state Yes.

References: (↑) Section 2.26 (corrective/preventive), (↑) Optional Displays (2.81), (↓) Set_up_display_outputs, (↓) Set_up_global_flags (p. 392).

Appears In: Resolution-Advisory

DEFINITION

ANY → No-Advisory

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T
Some Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	F
Some-Threat-Track-Dropped _{m-347}	F
Some-Threat-Clear-Of-Conflict _{m-346}	F

ANY → Corrective-Climb

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state RA	T
Corrective-Climb in state Yes	T

ANY → Corrective-Descend

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state RA	T
Corrective-Descend in state Yes	T

ANY → Preventive

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state RA	T
Corrective-Climb _{s-263} in state No	T
Corrective-Descend _{s-264} in state No	T

Correct-Climb, Corrective-Descend, Preventive → Altitude-Lost

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T
Some Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T

Correct-Climb, Corrective-Descend, Preventive → Track-Dropped

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T
Some Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	F
Some-Threat-Track-Dropped _{m-347}	T

Correct-Climb, Corrective-Descend, Preventive → Clear-of-Conflict

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T
Some Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	F
Some-Threat-Track-Dropped _{m-347}	F
Some-Threat-Clear-Of-Conflict _{m-346}	T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Vertical-RAC**

Possible Values: { None, Dont-Climb, Dont-Descend, Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend }

Capacity: 1/s

References: (↑) TCAS/TCAS Coordination (2.64,2.64.1),
 (↓) POTHRAR(1)

Appears In: Coordination-Update

DEFINITION

= None

some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Climb	F
some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Descend	F

= Dont-Climb

some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Climb	T
some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Descend	F

= Dont-Descend

some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Climb	F
some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Descend	T

= Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend

some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Climb	T
some Other-Aircraft ▷ Other-VRC _{v-289} = Dont-Descend	T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Horizontal-RAC**

Possible Values: { None, Dont-Turn-Left, Dont-Turn-Right, Dont-Turn-Left-Dont-Turn-Right }

Capacity: 1/s

References: (↓) POTHRAR(2)

Appears In: Coordination-Update

DEFINITION

= None

some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Left	F
some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Right	F

= Dont-Turn-Left

some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Left	T
some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Right	F

= Dont-Turn-Right

some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Left	F
some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Right	T

= Dont-Turn-Left-Dont-Turn-Right

some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Left	T
some Other-HRC = Dont-Turn-Right	T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Vertical-Control**

Possible Values: {Other, Increase, Crossing, Maintain, Reversal}

Comments: Note that if Composite-RA_{s-266} is in state Nominal, this implies that it is not in state Increasing.
 The condition that a climb or descend increase condition not exist is taken care of by the mutual exclusion of all varieties of positive in the Composite-RA_{s-266} superstate (cf. state Maintain).

References: (↑) Section 2.54 (annunciation of reversals), (↑) Advisory Strength Selection (2.55), (↑) Section 2.73.5 (aural annunciations), (↑) Optional Displays (2.81), (↓) Set_up_display_outputs (p. 397), (↓) Process Set_up_global_flags (p. 393).

Appears In: Aural-Alarm-Message, Resolution-Advisory

DEFINITION

= Other

Some RA-Strength_{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	F	F	F
Some Reversal_{s-282} in state Reversed	F	F	F
Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Climb	F	·	·
Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Descend	F	·	·
Corrective-Climb _{s-263} in state Yes	·	F	·
Corrective-Descend _{s-264} in state Yes	·	·	F
Some Crossing_{s-280} in state Int-Cross	F	F	F
Some Crossing_{s-280} in state Own-Cross	F	F	F

= Increase

Some RA-Strength_{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	T
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= **Crossing**

Some Reversal_{s-282} in state Reversed	F	F	F	F
Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Climb	T	T	.	.
Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Descend	.	.	T	T
Some RA-Strength_{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	F	F	F	F
Corrective-Climb_{s-263} in state Yes	F	.	F	.
Corrective-Descend_{s-264} in state Yes	.	F	.	F
Some Crossing_{s-280} in state Int-Cross	F	F	F	F
Some Crossing_{s-280} in state Own-Cross	F	F	F	F

= **Maintain**

Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Climb	T	.
Some RA-Strength_{s-277} in state Increase	F	F
Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Descend	.	T
Corrective-Climb_{s-263} in state Yes	F	F
Corrective-Descend_{s-264} in state Yes	F	F

= **Reversal**

Some Reversal_{s-282} in state Reversed	T	T	T
Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Climb	F	.	.
Composite-RA_{s-266} in state Descend	F	.	.
Corrective-Climb_{s-263} in state Yes	.	T	.
Corrective-Descend_{s-264} in state Yes	.	.	T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Climb-RA**

Possible Values: { No-Climb-RA, VSL2000, VSL1000, VSL500, Negative, Positive }

Capacity: 1/s for CAS.

Description: The strength of the climb advisory, if one exists.

References: (↑) Advisory Strength Selection (2.55), (↓) RA, (↓) CLSTRONG

Appears In: Coordination-Update, Resolution-Advisory

DEFINITION

= **No-Climb-RA**

Composite-RA **in state** No-Advisory

T

= **VSL2000**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Climb-VSL ▷ VSL2000

T

= **VSL1000**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Climb-VSL ▷ VSL1000

T

= **VSL500**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Climb-VSL ▷ VSL500

T

= **Negative**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Climb-VSL ▷ VSL0

T

= **Positive**

Composite-RA **in state** Climb

T

Supervisory-Interface
 ↪ Pilot-Displays
 ↪ Resolution-Advisory
 ↪ **Descend-RA**

Possible Values: { No-Descend-RA, VSL2000, VSL1000, VSL500, Negative, Positive }

Capacity: 1/s for CAS.

Description: The strength of the Descend advisory, if one exists.

References: (↑) Advisory Strength Selection (2.55), (↓) RA, (↓) CLSTRONG

Appears In: Coordination-Update, Resolution-Advisory

DEFINITION

= **No-Descend-RA**

Composite-RA **in state** No-Advisory

T

= **VSL2000**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Descend-VSL ▷ VSL2000

T

= **VSL1000**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Descend-VSL ▷ VSL1000

T

= **VSL500**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Descend-VSL ▷ VSL500

T

= **Negative**

Composite-RA **in state** Negative ▷ Descend-VSL ▷ VSL0

T

= **Positive**

Composite-RA **in state** Descend

T

CAS-Operating-Modes
 ↪ **TCAS-Status**

Possible Values: {Off, On, Failed}

References: (↑) RA Display Function (2.80), (↓) TCASOP

Appears In:

DEFINITION

ANY → **Off**

<i>Power is on</i>	F
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INITIALLY,Off → **On**

<i>Power is on</i>	T
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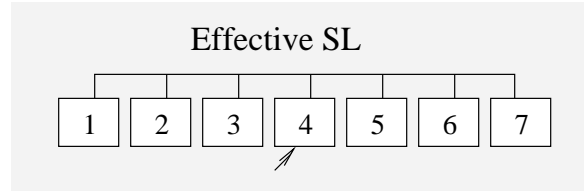
Failed → **On**

<i>Power is on</i>	T
RECEIVE TCAS-Operational-Status FROM Performance-Monitor	T
FIELD(Status) = Passed	T

On → **Failed**

<i>Power is on</i>	T
RECEIVE TCAS-Operational-Status FROM Performance-Monitor	T
FIELD(Status) = Failed	T

CAS-Operating-Modes



References: (↓) TRACK_OWN.Set_Index.
Appears In: Auto-SL, Conflict-SL

DEFINITION

= 1

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 1	T	·
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = Standby	·	T

= 2

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 2	T	T	·
Auto-SL _{s-241} in one of {2,3,4,5,6,7}	·	·	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 2	·	·	T
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA,TA-Only,3,4,5,6,7}	T	·	T
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = TA-Only	·	T	·

= 3

Auto-SL _{s-241} in one of {4,5,6,7}	T	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 3	T	·
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = one of {3,4,5,6,7,None}	·	T
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA,3,4,5,6,7}	T	·
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = 3	·	T

= 4

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 4	T	T	T	.	.
Auto-SL _{s-241} in one of {4,5,6,7}	.	.	.	T	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = one of {4,5,6,7,None}	T	.	.	.	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 2	.	.	T	.	.
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 4	.	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA,4,5,6,7}	T	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = TA-Only	.	T	.	.	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}	.	.	T	.	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = 4	.	.	.	.	T

= 5

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 5	T	T	T	.	.
Auto-SL _{s-241} in one of {5,6,7}	.	.	.	T	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = one of {5,6,7,None}	T	.	.	.	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 2	.	.	T	.	.
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 5	.	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA,5,6,7}	T	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = TA-Only	.	T	.	.	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}	.	.	T	.	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = 5	T

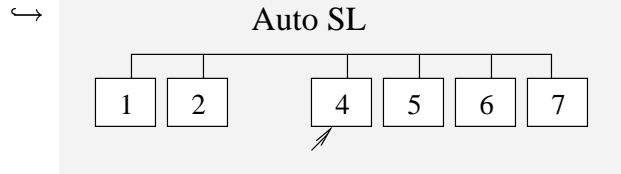
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Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 6	T	T	T	.	.
Auto-SL _{s-241} in one of {6,7}	.	.	.	T	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = one of {6,7,None}	T	.	.	.	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 2	.	.	T	.	.
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 6	.	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA,6,7}	T	.	.	T	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = TA-Only	.	T	.	.	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}	.	.	T	.	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = 6	.	.	.	.	T

= 7

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 7	T	T	T
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = 2	T	.	.
Lowest-Ground _{f-400} = one of {7, None}	.	.	T
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}	T	.	.
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = TA-Only	.	T	.
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, 7}	.	.	T

CAS-Operating-Modes



References: (↓) TRACK_OWN.Auto_SL.

Appears In: Effective-SL, RA-Inhibit

DEFINITION

= 1

Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = On-Ground	T	T
Traffic-Display-Permitted _{v-255}	·	F
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = Standby	T	·

= 2

Effective-SL _{s-238} in one of {1,2,3}	T	·	·	·
Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 4	·	·	·	T
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} ≤ 600 ft _(ZSL2TO4)	T	·	·	·
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} ≤ 400 ft _(ZSL4TO2)	·	·	·	T
Climb-Desc.-Inhibit _{m-317}	F	·	T	F
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = Airborne	T	F	T	T
Traffic-Display-Permitted _{v-255}	·	T	·	·
Radio-Altimeter-Status _{v-248} = Valid	T	·	·	T
Mode-Selector = one of {TA/RA, TA-Only, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}	·	T	·	·

= 4

Effective-SL _{s-238} in one of {1,2,3}	T	T	·
Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 5	·	·	T
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} > 600 ft _(ZSL2TO4)	T	·	·
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} ≤ 2150 ft _(ZSL5TO4)	·	·	T
Climb-Desc.-Inhibit _{m-317}	F	F	F
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = Airborne	T	T	T
Radio-Altimeter-Status _{v-248} = Valid	T	F	F

= 5

Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 4	T	T	·
Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 6	·	·	T
Barometric-Altitude _{v-249} ≥ 2550 ft _(ZSL4TO5)	·	T	·
Barometric-Altitude _{v-249} ≤ 9500 ft _(ZSL6TO5)	·	·	T
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} ≥ 2550 ft _(ZSL4TO5)	T	·	·
Climb-Desc.-Inhibit _{m-317}	F	F	F
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = Airborne	T	T	T
Radio-Altimeter-Status _{v-248} = Valid	T	F	·

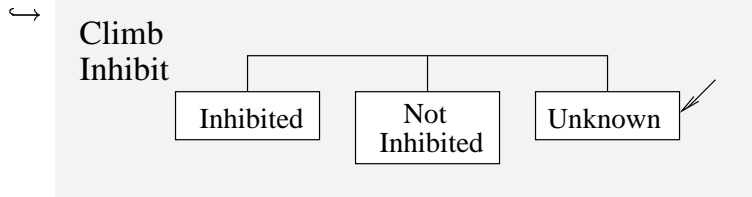
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Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 5	T	T	·
Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 7	·	·	T
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} > 2150 ft _(ZSL5TO4)	T	·	·
Barometric-Altitude _{v-249} ≥ 10500 ft _(ZSL5TO6)	T	T	·
Barometric-Altitude _{v-249} ≤ 19500 ft _(ZSL7TO6)	·	·	T
Climb-Desc.-Inhibit _{m-317}	F	F	F
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = Airborne	T	T	T
Radio-Altimeter-Status _{v-248} = Valid	T	F	·

= 7

Effective-SL _{s-238} in state 6	T
Barometric-Altitude _{v-249} ≥ 20500 ft _(ZSL6TO7)	T
Climb-Desc.-Inhibit _{m-317}	F
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = Airborne	T

Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes



References: (↑) Section 2.41, (↑) Path Modeling (2.49.1, level-for-climb clause), (↑) Section 2.56.4; (↓) PROCESS Climb_evaluation; (↓) ARINC735: attachment 3A and 3B, Notes 12 and 26.

Appears In: Aircraft-Altitude-Limit, Climb-Desc.-Inhibit, Extreme-Alt-Check, Inhibit-Biased-Climb, Low-Firm-Separation, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

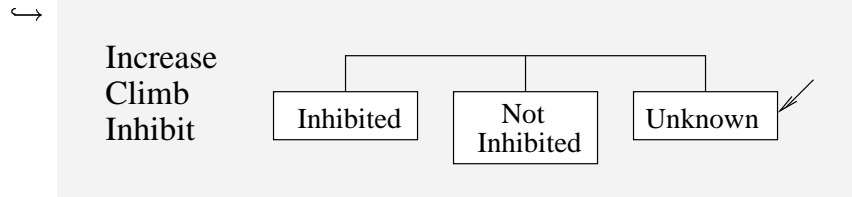
Unknown, Not-Inhibited → **Inhibited**

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T	T
Altitude-Climb-Inhibit _{v-259} = True	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Aircraft-Altitude-Limit _{v-256}	T	·
Config-Climb-Inhibit _{v-258} = True	·	T

Unknown, Inhibited → **Not-Inhibited**

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T	T
Config-Climb-Inhibit _{v-258}	F	F
Altitude-Climb-Inhibit _{v-259}	F	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Aircraft-Altitude-Limit _{v-256}	·	F

Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes



References: (↑) Section 2.41, (↑) Section 2.57.2,
 (↓) TRACKING.Climb_evaluation

Appears In:

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

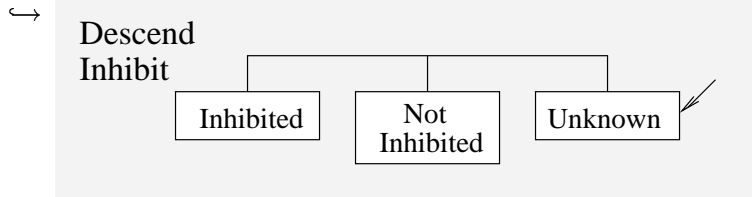
Unknown, Not-Inhibited → **Inhibited**

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA	T	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Aircraft-Altitude-Limit _{v-256}	T	·	·
Config-Climb-Inhibit _{v-258} = True	·	T	·
Increase-Climb-Inhibit-Discrete _{v-260} = True	·	·	T

Unknown, Inhibited → **Not-Inhibited**

Config-Climb-Inhibit _{v-258}	F	F
Altitude-Climb-Inhibit _{v-259}	F	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Aircraft-Altitude-Limit _{v-256}	·	F
Increase-Climb-Inhibit-Discrete _{v-260} = True	F	F

Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes



References: (↑) Section 2.42, (↑) Section 2.46, (↑) Path Modeling (2.49.1, near-ground clause),

(↓) TRACKING.Ground_proximity_check

Appears In: Climb-Desc.-Inhibit, Extreme-Alt-Check

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

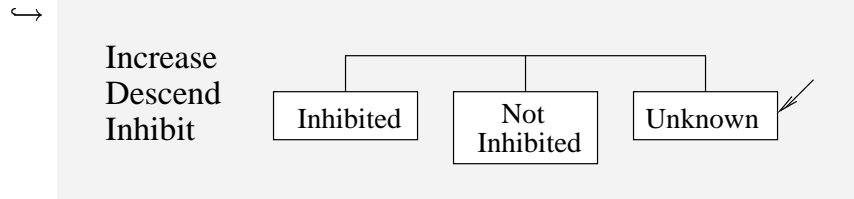
Unknown, Inhibited → **Not-Inhibited**

$$\boxed{(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f_{394}}) \geq 1200\text{ft}_{(\text{NODESHI})}} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

Unknown, Not-Inhibited → **Inhibited**

$$\boxed{(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f_{394}}) \leq 1000\text{ft}_{(\text{NODESLO})}} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes



References: (↑) Section 2.42, (↑) Section 2.57.3

Appears In:

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

Unknown, Inhibited → **Not-Inhibited**

Radio-Altitude-Status _{v-248} = Valid	F	·
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} > 1450ft _(ZNOINCDES)	·	F

Unknown, Not-Inhibited → **Inhibited**

Radio-Altitude-Status _{v-248} = Valid	T
Radio-Altitude _{v-247} ≤ 1450ft _(ZNOINCDES)	T

 Own-Aircraft-Model
 ↪ **Radio-Altitude**

Possible Values: -20...2150

Units: Feet

Granularity: 1...10 is acceptable

Capacity: 1/s for CAS. (hardware sends more often)

Description: Feet above ground level (AGL)

Exception Handling: Large negative values must be handled.

Comments: Hardware differ in available range. A smaller range will cause radio altitude status to become invalid at a lower altitude above ground than intended by the CAS logic, thus affecting logic switchpoints based on altitude above ground. Hardware can be analog or digital. Analog input to TCAS box is in a voltage range that must be converted to ft. Digital input is in binary via ARINC 429 data word.

References: (↓) RADAR

Appears In: Auto-SL, Ground-Level, Increase-Descend-Inhibit

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**Radio-Altitude**)

RECEIVE Radio-Altitude-Report FROM Radio Altimeter

T

= PREV(**Radio-Altitude**)

RECEIVE Radio-Altitude-Report FROM Radio-Altimeter

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Radio-Altimeter-Status****Possible Values:** {Valid, Not-Valid}**Capacity:** 1/s (accompanies Radio Altitude Value)**Description:** Valid indicates usable radio altitude value.**Comments:** When invalid first detected radio alt starts coasting. If invalid for 10s, then radio alt no longer used.**References:** (↓) RADAROK**Appears In:** Auto-SL, Ground-Level, Increase-Descend-Inhibit**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Status**)

RECEIVE Radio-Altimeter-Status FROM Radio Altimeter

T

= PREV(**Radio-Altimeter-Status**)

RECEIVE Radio-Altimeter-Status FROM Radio Altimeter

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↪ **Barometric-Altitude****Possible Values:** -1200 to limit of altimetry system**Units:** Feet**Granularity:** 100 maximum (Altimetry data used for TCAS may not be more coarse than that used for altitude reporting.)**Capacity:** 1/s for CAS (actual rate to box is higher)**Description:** Barometric-Altitude contains pressure altitude (feet above mean sea level). Data from the air data computer is used if available. Otherwise, the Mode C pressure altitude is used. The variable Barometric-Altimeter-Status indicates whether to use ADC or Mode C data.**Exception Handling:** Large negative values must be handled.**Comments:** ADC data is quantized to ≤ 10 ft.**References:** (↓) Periodic_data_processing (p. 3-P23), (↓) ZADC, (↓) ZROWN.**Appears In:** Auto-SL, Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate, Own-Tracked-Alt**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Coarse-Altitude**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Barometric-Altimeter-Status _{v-250} = Coarse	T

= FIELD(**Fine-Altitude**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Barometric-Altimeter-Status _{v-250} = Fine	T

= PREV(**Barometric-Altitude**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	F
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Own-Aircraft-Model

↪ **Barometric-Altimeter-Status****Possible Values:** {Fine, Coarse}**Capacity:** 1/s**Description:** Fine is granularity < 100 ft. Coarse is granularity = 100 ft.**Comments:** Altitude reported by barometric altimeter cannot be coarser than 100ft.**References:** (↓) AIRDATA**Appears In:** Altitude-Rate, Barometric-Altitude, Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate, Own-Tracked-Alt**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Barometric-Altimeter-Status**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discrettes

T

= PREV(**Barometric-Altimeter-Status**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discrettes

F

State

Own-Aircraft-Model
↔ **Standby**

Possible Values: {True, False}

Capacity: 1/s for CAS. (hardware sends more often)

Appears In: Standby-Condition

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**Standby-Discrete-Input**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Standby**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model
↪ **Own-Air-Status**

Possible Values: {Airborne, On-Ground}

Capacity: 1/s

Description: Indicates Airborne status or On-Ground status of Own-Aircraft

References: (↓) OOGROUN

Appears In: Auto-SL, Ground-Level, Standby-Condition

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**Own-Air-Status**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Air-Status**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model
↪ **Altitude-Rate**

Possible Values: Unspecified
Units: ft/s
Granularity: Unspecified
Capacity: 1/s for CAS.
References: (↓) Periodic_data_processing (p. 3-P23), (↓) ZDADC.
Appears In: Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate

DEFINITION= FIELD(**Coarse-Altitude-Rate**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Barometric-Altitude-Status _{v-250} = Coarse	T

= FIELD(**Fine-Altitude-Rate**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Barometric-Altitude-Status _{v-250} = Fine	T

= PREV(**Altitude-Rate**)

RECEIVE Altitude-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	F
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Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Own-Mode-S-Address**

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- Possible Values:** $1 \dots (2^{24} - 2)$
- Granularity:** 1 (One unit)
- Capacity:** 1/s
- Description:** Own transponder's unique address.
- Exception Handling:** TCAS failure if outside valid range (all 0s or all 1s). The transponder will send the message to TCAS 5 to 10 times per second, but TCAS will only load once per second.
- Comments:** Input to TCAS must be same as input to Mode-S transponder.
- References:** (↓) `Periodic_data_processing` (p. 3-P23), (↓) IDOWN
- Appears In:** RA-Display-Delay, Resolution-Message, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION= FIELD(**Own-Mode-S-ID**)

RECEIVE Own-Update-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T
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= PREV(**Own-Mode-S-Address**)

RECEIVE Own-Update-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	F
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Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Traffic-Display-Permitted****Possible Values:** {True, False}**Capacity:** 1/s**Description:** True indicates that display of aircraft traffic (TA display active) is permitted when own aircraft is on ground.**References:** (↓) GROUND-MODE**Appears In:** Auto-SL, Standby-Condition**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Traffic-Display-Permitted**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Traffic-Display-Permitted**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Aircraft-Altitude-Limit****Possible Values:** Unspecified**Units:** Feet**Granularity:** Unspecified**Capacity:** 1/s**Description:** The maximum altitude at which an RA may be generated.**Comments:** Note that once an RA is active, passing through this altitude cannot affect it (see `Climb-Inhibits-243`).**Appears In:** `Climb-Inhibit`, `Increase-Climb-Inhibit`**DEFINITION**= `FIELD(Aircraft-Altitude-Limit)`

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= `PREV(Aircraft-Altitude-Limit)`

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model
↪ **Prox-Traffic-Display**

Possible Values: {True, False}
Capacity: 1/s
References: (↓) ALLPROX
Appears In:

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**Prox-Traffic-Display**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Prox-Traffic-Display**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↪ **Config-Climb-Inhibit****Possible Values:** {True, False}**Capacity:** 1/s for CAS.**Description:** If true, performance limit discrete indicates that own aircraft can't climb at 1500 fpm.**References:** (↓) Climb-evaluation**Appears In:** Climb-Inhibit, Increase-Climb-Inhibit**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Config-Climb-Inhibit**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Config-Climb-Inhibit**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Altitude-Climb-Inhibit****Possible Values:** {True, False}**Capacity:** 1/s**Description:** This input does not appear explicitly in the pseudocode. It is implied in Climb_evaluation (p. 4-P11).**References:** (↓) Climb-evaluation**Appears In:** Climb-Inhibit, Increase-Climb-Inhibit**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**Altitude-Climb-Inhib-Active**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**Altitude-Climb-Inhibit**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model

↔ **Increase-Climb-Inhibit-Discrete****Possible Values:** {True, False}**Capacity:** 1/s**References:** (↓) Climb-evaluation**Appears In:** Increase-Climb-Inhibit**DEFINITION**= **FIELD(Increase-Climb-Inhibit-Discrete)**

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

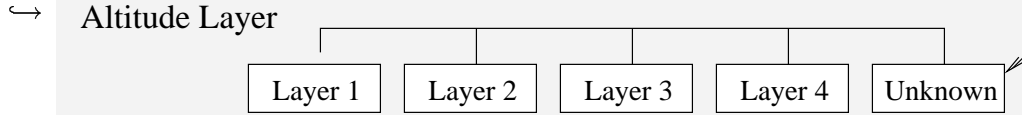
T

= **PREV(Increase-Climb-Inhibit)**

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model



References: (↓) PROCESS Initialize (p. 3-P5),
 (↓) TRACKING.Set_layer_dependent_parameters

Appears In: Dont-Care-Test, No-Weaken-Positive, No-Weaken,
 Noncrossing-Biased-Climb, Noncrossing-Biased-Descend,
 Threat-Alt-Test, Try-VSL-Test, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

INITIALLY \longrightarrow Unknown

true

Unknown,2 \longrightarrow 1
$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \leq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Bot}[2]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$
1 \longrightarrow 2
$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \geq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Top}[1]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$
Unknown,3 \longrightarrow 2
$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \leq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Bot}[3]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$
2 \longrightarrow 3
$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \geq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Top}[2]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$
Unknown,4 \longrightarrow 3
$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \leq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Bot}[4]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

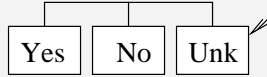
Unknown,3 \rightarrow **4**

$$\boxed{\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} \geq \text{Alt-Layer-Thr-Top}[3]} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

Own-Aircraft-Model



Corrective Climb



References: (↓) Determine_goal_rate, (↓) Corrective_preventive_test.

Appears In: Combined-Control, Corrective-Descend,
Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

ANY → **Yes**

Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend _{m-321}	T	F	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} $< -(500 \text{ ft/min}_{(SMALLRATE)} + 300 \text{ ft/min}_{(HYSTERCOR)})$	T	·	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} $<$ Climb-Goal _{f-382} $-$ $300 \text{ ft/min}_{(HYSTERCOR)}$	·	T	·
New-Increase-Climb _{m-333}	·	·	T

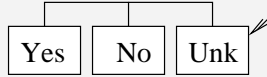
ANY → **No**

Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend _{m-321}	T	T	F	F
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} $<$ $500 \text{ ft/min}_{(SMALLRATE)}$	T	T	·	·
Climb-RA-Weakened _{m-318}	T	·	T	·
Increase-RA-Ended _{m-327}	·	T	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} $\geq -(500 \text{ ft/min}_{(SMALLRATE)} + 300 \text{ ft/min}_{(HYSTERCOR)})$	T	T	·	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} \geq Climb-Goal _{f-382}	·	·	T	T

Own-Aircraft-Model



Corrective Descent



References: (↓) Determine_goal_rate, (↓) Corrective_preventive_test.

Appears In: Combined-Control, Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → **Unknown**

true

ANY → **Yes**

Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend _{m-321}	T	T	·	F
New-Increase-Descend _{m-334}	·	·	T	·
Corrective-Climb _{s-263} in state Yes	T	·	·	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} > 500 ft/min _(SMALLRATE) + 300 ft/min _(HYSTERCOR)	T	T	·	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} > Descend-Goal _{f-390} + 300 ft/min _(HYSTERCOR)	·	·	·	T

ANY → **No**

Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend _{m-321}	T	T	T	F	F	F	F	F
Climb-RA-Weakened _{m-318}	·	F	·	·	·	F	·	·
Increase-RA-Ended _{m-327}	·	F	T	·	·	F	T	T
Corrective-Climb _{s-263} in state No	T	·	T	T	·	·	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} < -500 ft/min _(SMALLRATE)	T	T	T	·	·	·	·	·
Descend-RA-Weakened _{m-320}	T	T	·	T	T	T	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} ≤ Descend-Goal _{f-390}	·	·	·	T	T	T	T	T

Own-Aircraft-Model
↔ **TA-In-Sens-Level-2**

Possible Values: {True, False}

References: (↓) LOWTA

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**LOWTA-Discrete**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

T

= PREV(**TA-In-Sens-Level-2**)

RECEIVE Aircraft-Discrete-Values FROM Aircraft Discretes

F

Own-Aircraft-Model
 ↪ **Composite-RA**

Possible Values: No-RA, Climb, Descend, Negative
Comments: See RA-Strength_{s-277} for the strength of the displayed RA.
References: (↑) Section 2.27 (combine RA's for pilot), (↑) RA Display Function (2.80), (↓) variable G.RA. (↓) ROUTINE Resolution_Update.
Appears In: Climb-Goal, Climb-Inhibit, Combined-Control, Descend-Goal, Descend-Strength, Dont-Care-Test, Increase-Climb-Inhibit, New-Climb, New-Descend, Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate, Resolution-Advisory, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

= **No-RA**

Some Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	F
Some Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	F

= **Climb**

there exists i:

Sense _{s-275} [i] in state Climb	T
RA-Strength _{s-277} [i] in one of Nominal-1500fpm, Increase-2500fpm	T

= **Descend**

there exists i:

Sense _{s-275} [i] in state Descend	T
RA-Strength _{s-277} [i] in one of Nominal-1500fpm, Increase-2500fpm	T

= **Negative**

Some RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Nominal-1500fpm	T	·
Some RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	·	T

Own-Aircraft-Model
 ↪ Composite-RA
 ↪ Negative
 ↪ **Climb-VSL**

Possible Values: No-Climb-VSL, VSL2000, VSL1000, VSL500, VSL0

References: (↓) MOPS variable G.RA, (↓) ROUTINE
 Resolution_Update.

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= **No-Climb-VSL**

for all i:

Sense _{s-275} [i] in state Climb	F	·
RA-Strength _{s-277} [i] in one of VSL-2000fpm, VSL-1000fpm, VSL-500fpm, VSL-0fpm	·	F

= **VSL0**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-0fpm)	T
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= **VSL500**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-500fpm)	T

= **VSL1000**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-500fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-1000fpm)	T

= **VSL2000**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-500fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-1000fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, VSL-2000fpm)	T

Own-Aircraft-Model
 ↪ Composite-RA
 ↪ **Descend-VSL**

Possible Values: No-Descend-VSL, VSL2000, VSL1000, VSL500, VSL0

References: (↓) MOPS variable G.RA, (↓) ROUTINE
 Resolution_Update.

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= **No-Descend-VSL**

for all i:

Sense _{s-275} [i] in state Descend	F	·
RA-Strength _{s-277} [i] in one of VSL-2000fpm, VSL-1000fpm, VSL-500fpm, VSL-0fpm	·	F

= **VSL0**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-0fpm)	T
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= **VSL500**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-500fpm)	T

= **VSL1000**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-500fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-1000fpm)	T

= **VSL2000**

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-0fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-500fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-1000fpm)	F
Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Descend, VSL-2000fpm)	T

Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]

→ **Classification**

Possible Values: { Other-Traffic, Proximate-Traffic, Potential-Threat, Threat }

References: (↑) Section 2.24.1 (if not alt. reporting, can't be threat), (↓) Hit_or_miss_test (threats), (↓) Section 7.1. TRAFFIC_ADVISORY (potential threats, proximate traffic).

Appears In: Classification, Reversal

DEFINITION

Proximate-Traffic → **Other-Traffic**

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T	T	T	.	.	.
Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state No	.	.	.	T	.	.
Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Yes	.	.	.	.	T	.
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	F	.	T	.	.	.
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	.	F	T	.	.	.
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	.	.	F	F	F	.
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	.	.	F	F	F	.
Threat-Condition _{m-373}	.	.	.	.	F	.
Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state On-Ground	.	.	.	.	.	T

Potential-Threat → **Other-Traffic**

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T	T	.	.
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	F	.	.	.
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	.	F	.	.
Potential-Threat-Range-Test _{m-341}	T	T	.	.
Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state On-Ground	.	.	T	.
Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-300}	.	.	.	T
DURATION(Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-300}) ≥ 8 s _(MINTATIME)	.	.	.	T
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	.	.	.	F
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	.	.	.	F
Threat-Condition _{m-373}	.	.	.	F

Threat → **Other-Traffic**

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T	T	T	·
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	F	·	T	·
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	·	F	T	·
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	·	·	F	·
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	·	·	F	·
Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state On-Ground	·	·	·	T

Other-Traffic → **Proximate-Traffic**

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Yes	F	T
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	T	·
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	T	·
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	T	T
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	F	F
Threat-Condition _{m-373}	·	F

Potential-Threat → **Proximate-Traffic**

PREV(Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-300})	T
DURATION(Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-300}) ≥ 8 s _(MINTATIME)	T
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	T
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	F
Threat-Condition _{m-373}	F

Threat → **Proximate-Traffic**

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	T
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	T
Proximate-Traffic-Condition _{m-343}	T
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	F

Other-Traffic,Proximate-Traffic \longrightarrow Potential-Threat

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Yes	F	T
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	T	·
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	T	·
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	T	T
Threat-Condition _{m-373}	·	F

Threat \longrightarrow Potential-Threat

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T	·
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	T	·
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	T	·
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	T	·
PREV(Threat-Range-Test _{m-374})	·	F
DURATION(Classification _{s-271} in state Threat) $\geq 5.5 s_{(TMIN)} - 1$ s	·	T
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	·	F

Column 2: (↑) Section 2.34

Other-Traffic,Proximate-Traffic,Potential-Threat \longrightarrow Threat

Threat-Condition _{m-373}	T
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Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]

↔ Classification

↔ Threat

↔ **Displayed-Advisory**

Possible Values: TA, RA

References: (↑) TCAS-TCAS Encounters (2.65.3), (↓) RESOLUTION_-AND_COORDINATION.TCAS_threat_processing, (↓) Reversal_check.

Appears In: Above, Below, Displayed-Advisory

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → TA

RA-Display-Delay_{m-344}

T

INITIALLY → RA

RA-Display-Delay_{m-344}

F

TA → **RA**

RA-Display-Delay_{m-344}

DURATION(Displayed-Advisory_{s-274} in state TA) ≥ 2 s_(WTTHR)

F

T

·

T

Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]

↪ Classification

↪ Threat

↪ **Sense**

Possible Values: {Descend, Climb}

Comments: In previous representations of this logic (MOPS, SRS) the sense is changed up to three times in a “cycle”. The three calculations are divided according to function in this document. This is “initial” sense: the basic calculation of the desired RA sense based only on geometry.

Look in the description of the reversal transitions in the UCI document for more detailed information.

References: (↑) Section 2.45 (choices of sense), (↑) Sense Selection Logic (2.49), (↑) Section 2.54 (reversal replaces old advisory), (↑) TCAS/TCAS Encounters (2.65), (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Select_sense.

Appears In: 100-Ft-Crossing, Above, Below, Catch-Level-Off, Climb-VSL, Composite-RA, Conflicting-Intent, Crossing, Descend-VSL, Dont-Care-Test, Extreme-Alt-Check, Int-Cross-Next-Cycle, Reversal-Achieves-Greater-Separation, Reversal, Separation-Second-Choice, Separation-and-Time-Test, Some-RA-Is, Test-VSL-Rate, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

INITIALLY \longrightarrow **Climb**

Other-VRC _{v-289} = Do-Not-Descend	T	·	·
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	·	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} <	·	F	T
Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent[Conflict-SL _{f-385} , Other-Track-Firmness _{f-431}]	·	F	T
Inhibit-Biased-Climb _{f-396} (normal) >	·	T	·
Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal)	·	·	T
Noncrossing-Biased-Climb _{m-338}	·	·	T
None-Care-Choose _{m-364} (Descend)	F	F	F

Column 1: (↑) Section 2.49.2(1), Row 6: (↑) Section 2.49.2(2)

INITIALLY \longrightarrow **Descend**

Other-VRC _{v-289} = Do-Not-Climb	T	·	·
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	·	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} <	·	F	T
Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent[Conflict-SL _{f-385} , Other-Track-Firmness _{f-431}]	·	F	T
Inhibit-Biased-Climb _{f-396} (normal) ≤	·	T	·
Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal)	·	·	T
Noncrossing-Biased-Descend _{m-339}	·	·	T
None-Care-Choose _{m-364} (Climb)	F	F	F

Column 1: (↑) Section 2.49.2(1), Row 6: (↑) Section 2.49.2(2)

Climb \longrightarrow **Descend**

PREV(Sense in state Descend)	T	·
PREV(Sense in state Climb)	·	T
Reversal-Provides-More-Separation _{m-301} (i)	F	T

Descend \longrightarrow **Climb**

PREV(Sense in state Climb)	T	·
PREV(Sense in state Descend)	·	T
Reversal-Provides-More-Separation _{m-301} (i)	F	T

Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]
 ↪ Classification
 ↪ Threat
 ↪ **RA-Strength**

-
- Possible Values:** {Strength-Not-Selected, VSL-2000fpm, VSL-1000fpm, VSL-500fpm, VSL-0fpm, Nominal-1500fpm, Increase-2500fpm}
- Comments:** Strength selection occurs after sense selection (because it is based on the current sense, whereas sense is not based on strength.)
 The multi-aircraft resolution logic is on the 7th column of the transitions into VSL0.
- References:** (↑) Section 2.53 (strength selected after sense reversal), (↑) Advisory Strength Selection (2.55), (↑) Selecting a Vertical Rate (2.56,2.56.2), (↑) Multiple Aircraft Encounter (2.58,2.59), (↑) RA Display Function (2.80), (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Select_advisory, (↓) Try_VSL, (↓) VSL_over_interval, (↓) VSL_test, (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Multi-aircraft_resolution.
- Appears In:** Climb-VSL, Composite-RA, Crossing, Descend-VSL, Increase-RA-Ended, No-Weaken, Old-Rate, RA-Strength, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation, Some-RA-Is, VSL-OK, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

= **Strength-Not-Selected**

RA-Display-Delay_{m-344}

T

= **Nominal-1500fpm**

Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	·
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	F	T	·
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	·	F	·
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (0 ft/min)	·	F	·
Extreme-Alt-Check _{m-322}	F	F	·
PREV(RA-Strength _{s-277}) in state Increase-2500fpm	·	·	T
DURATION(RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm) ≥ 10s _(NOWEAK)	·	·	T
Increase-Check _{m-323}	·	·	F
Threats-Above-And-Below _{m-380}	F	F	F

Third column: (↑) section 2.57.4, Last row: (↑) Multiple Aircraft Encounter
(2.59, case 2)

= **VSL-2000fpm**

Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	T	·
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	F	·
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (2000 ft/min _(V2000))	T	·
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} ≤ 2.5s _(QUIKREAC)	·	F
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	·	T
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	·	F
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (2000 ft/min _(V2000))	·	T
No-Weaken _{m-337}	·	F

= **VSL-1000fpm**

PREV(Strength) in one of Nominal-1500fpm, VSL-0fpm, VSL-1000fpm	·	T	·
PREV(Strength in state VSL-2000fpm)	·	T	T
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	T
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	T	T	·
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	F	F	F
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (2000 ft/min _(V2000))	F	F	F
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (1000 ft/min _(V1000))	T	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} ≤ 2.5s _(QUIKREAC)	·	F	F
No-Weaken _{m-337}	·	F	·
No-Strengthen _{m-335}	·	·	F

= **VSL-500fpm**

PREV(Strength) in one of Nominal-1500fpm, VSL-0fpm	.	T	.
PREV(Strength) in one of VSL-2000fpm, VSL-1000fpm	.	T	T
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	T
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	T	T	T
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	F	F	F
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (1000 ft/min _(v1000))	F	F	F
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (500 ft/min _(v500))	T	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} ≤ 2.5s _(QUIKREAC)	.	F	F
No-Weaken _{m-337}	.	F	.
No-Strengthen _{m-335}	.	F	F

= **VSL-0fpm**

PREV(Strength) in one of VSL-500fpm, VSL-1000fpm, VSL-2000fpm	.	.	.	T	T	T	.
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	T	T	T	T	.
Try-VSL-Test _{m-375}	T	T	.	T	T	.	.
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	.	T	.	.	T	.	.
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (500 ft/min _(v500))	F	.	.	F	.	.	.
Test-VSL-Rate _{m-368} (0 ft/min)	T	.	F	T	.	F	.
Extreme-Alt-Check _{m-322}	.	.	T	.	.	T	.
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} ≤ 2.5s _(QUIKREAC)	.	.	.	F	F	F	.
No-Strengthen _{m-335}	.	.	.	F	F	F	.
Above _{m-314}	.	.	.	.	.	.	T
Below _{m-316}	.	.	.	.	.	.	T

Last row/column: (↑) Multiple Aircraft Encounter (2.59, case 3)

Nominal-1500fpm → Increase-2500fpm

(event Crossing-Evaluated-Event)	T
Increase-Check _{m-323}	T
Threats-Above-And-Below _{m-380}	F

(↑) sections 2.57.5.1 and 2.57.5.2, Last row: (↑) Multiple Aircraft Encounter (2.59, case 2)

Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]
 ↪ Classification
 ↪ Threat
 ↪ **Crossing**

Possible Values: Non-Crossing, Int-Cross, Own-Cross

References: (↑) Section 2.48, (↑) Selecting non-crossing sense (2.66, 2.66.1, 2.66.2),
 (↓) DISPLAY_ADVISORIES.Crossing_flag_check.

Appears In: Increase-Check, Low-Firm-Separation,
 Reversal-Provides-More-Separation,
 Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV,
 Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

INITIALLY, Non-Crossing → Int-Cross

100-Ft-Crossing _{m-313}	T	T	T
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} = 0	T	·	·
Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f-436} ≥ 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	·	T	T
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} > 0	·	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	·	T	·
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} < 0	·	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	·	·	T

Own-Cross → Int-Cross

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	F	F
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} > 4.0 s _(MINRITIME)	T	T
Tau-Rising _{m-350}	F	F
RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	F	F
Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	·	T

INITIALLY, Non-Crossing \longrightarrow Own-Cross

100-Ft-Crossing _{m-313}	T	T	T	T
Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f-436} \geq 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	F	.	.	.
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} > 0	.	F	.	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $>$ Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	.	.	F	F
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} < 0	.	.	F	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $<$ Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	.	F	.	F

INITIALLY, Own-Cross, Int-Cross \longrightarrow Non-Crossing

100-Ft-Crossing _{m-313}	F	F
Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} \geq Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432} + 100 ft _(CROSSTHR)	T	.
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	.	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} \leq Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432} - 100 ft _(CROSSTHR)	.	T

Other-Aircraft-Operating-Modes[i]

↪ Classification

↪ Threat

↪ **Reversal**

Possible Values: Not-Reversed, Reversed

Comments: Note that this definition assumes that the only two senses are Climb and Descend, so if Sense is not in Climb then it must be in Descend.

Appears In: Extreme-Alt-Check, Low-Firm-Separation, No-Weaken-Negative, No-Weaken-Positive, No-Weaken, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV, Vertical-Control

DEFINITION

INITIALLY → Not-Reversed

True

Not-Reversed → Reversed

PREV(Classification _{s-271} in state Threat)	T	T
PREV(Sense _{s-275} in state Climb)	T	F
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	T	F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]

↪ **Altitude**

Units: Feet

Granularity: 100ft maximum

Capacity: 1/s

Description: Barometric altitude of intruder aircraft as reported in interrogation reply.

References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81)

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**ZRINT**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Altitude**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
↔ **Altitude-Valid**

Possible Values: {True, False}

References: (↓) ZFLG

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= FIELD(ZFLG)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) T

= PREV(Altitude-Valid)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) F

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 ↪ **Surveillance-ID**

Possible Values: Unspecified
Granularity: 1
Description: Other-Aircraft unique surveillance number.
Comments: MOPS vol. II does not indicate the range of values that the CAS must accomodate.
References: (↓) SURVNO
Appears In: Other-Aircraft

DEFINITION

= FIELD(SURVNO)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) T

= PREV(Surveillance-ID)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) F

 Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 ↪ **Equippage**

Possible Values: {TCAS, TCASTA, MODES, ATCRBS}

References: (↓) EQP

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Crossing, Dont-Care-Test,
 Increase-Check, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test,
 RA-Display-Delay, Reply-Invalid-Test,
 Reversal-Provides-More-Separation,
 TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**EQP**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Equippage**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
↔ **Other-Bearing**

Possible Values: Unspecified
Units: Unspecified
Granularity: Unspecified
References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81), (↓) BEAR
Appears In: Intruder-Info

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**BEAR**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Other-Bearing**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
↪ **Other-Bearing-Valid**

Possible Values: {True, False}

References: (↓) BEAROK

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**BEAROK**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) T

= PREV(**Other-Bearing-Valid**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) F

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 \leftrightarrow **Other-VRC**

Possible Values: {None, Dont-Descend, Dont-Climb}

References: (\downarrow) POTHRAR(1), (\downarrow) Process_valid_data

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Conflicting-Intent,
 Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Other-Aircraft,
 RA-Display-Delay, Reply-Invalid-Test, Sense,
 TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Vertical-RAC

DEFINITION

= **None**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] \triangleright Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(VRC) = 0	T

= **Dont-Descend**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] \triangleright Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(VRC) = 1	T

= **Dont-Climb**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] \triangleright Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(VRC) = 2	T

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 \hookrightarrow **Other-HRC**

Possible Values: {None, Dont-Turn-Left, Dont-Turn-Right}

References: (↓) POTHRAR(2), (↓) Process_valid_data

Appears In:

DEFINITION

= **None**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(HRC) = 0	T

= **Dont-Turn-Left**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(HRC) = 1	T

= **Dont-Turn-Right**

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T
Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = FIELD(MID)	T
FIELD(HRC) = 2	T

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 ↪ **Sensitivity-Level**

- Possible Values:** {Not-Known, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}
- Comments:** Sensitivity level does not apply to non-TCAS II or III aircraft (ref. comment on S.PLINT).
- References:** (↓) PLINT
- Appears In:** Conflict-SL, Dont-Care-Test, Low-Firm-Separation, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV, Separation, Test-VSL-Rate, Threat-Alt-Test, VMD, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**PLINT**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) T

= PREV(**Sensitivity-Level**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i) F

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 \hookrightarrow **Other-Mode-S-Address**

- Possible Values:** Undefined, 1 ... ($2^{24} - 2$)
- Granularity:** 1 (unit)
- Description:** Other-Aircraft unique address.
- Exception Handling:** TCAS will not operate correctly if the reported Mode-S address is outside valid range (all 0s or all 1s)
- Comments:** This field has no meaning for non-Mode-S-equipped aircraft.
- References:** (\downarrow) IDINTR
- Appears In:** Other-HRC, Other-Mode-S-Address, Other-VRC, RA-Display-Delay, Resolution-Message, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**IDINTR**)

for all j:

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message _{m-345}	T	T	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Not-Tracked	F	T	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] \triangleright Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} = MID	T	·	·
Other-Aircraft[j] in state Not-Tracked	·	T	F
$i < j$	·	T	·
Other-Aircraft[j] \triangleright Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292} \neq MID	·	·	T

= PREV(**Mode-S-Address**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches _{m-349} (i)	F
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 Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
 ↪ **Altitude-Reporting**

Possible Values: Yes, No, Lost

References: (↓) TRACKING.TRACK_INTRUDERS

Appears In: Classification, Combined-Control, Display-Arrow,
 Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition,
 Potential-Threat-Condition, Proximate-Traffic-Condition,
 Threat-Alt-Test, Traffic-Score

DEFINITION

Yes → **Lost**

Surveillance-Report-Matches _{m-349} (i)	T
FIELD(MODC) = "False"	T

INITIALLY, Lost, No → **Yes**

Surveillance-Report-Matches _{m-349} (i)	T
FIELD(MODC) = "True"	T

INITIALLY → **No**

Surveillance-Report-Matches _{m-349} (i)	T
FIELD(MODC) = "False"	T

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]

↔ **Range**

Possible Values: Unspecified

Units: nautical miles

Granularity: Unspecified

References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81), (↓) RR

Appears In: Other-Tracked-Range-Rate, Other-Tracked-Range

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**RR**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Range**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]

↪ **Range-Report-Time-Stamp****Possible Values:** 0 ... Unspecified**Units:** second**Granularity:** 1**Description:** The time of the Range Report**References:** (↓) RRTIME**Appears In:** Other-Tracked-Range-Rate, Other-Tracked-Range**DEFINITION**= FIELD(**RRTIME**)Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Range-Report-Time-Stamp**)Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
↪ **Other-Range-Valid**

Possible Values: {True, False}

References: (↓) RFLG

Appears In: Classification, Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition,
Other-Range-Valid, Other-Tracked-Range-Rate,
Other-Tracked-Range, Two-Of-Three

DEFINITION

= FIELD(**RFLG**)

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

T

= PREV(**Other-Range-Valid**_{s-296})

Surveillance-Report-Matches_{m-349}(i)

F

State

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]
↔ **Other-Air-Status**

Possible Values: On-Ground, Airborne

References: (↓) TRACKING.Ground_proximity_check

Appears In: Classification, Level-Wait-Condition,
Potential-Threat-Condition, Proximate-Traffic-Condition,
Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

= **On-Ground**

$$\boxed{(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{f.432} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \leq 180 \text{ ft}_{(\text{NEARGROL})}} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

= **Airborne**

$$\boxed{(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{f.432} - \text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \geq 200 \text{ ft}_{(\text{NEARGROH})}} \quad \boxed{\text{T}}$$

Ground-Station-Model[i]
 \leftrightarrow **Ground-Station-ID**

Appears In: Ground-Commanded-SL, Ground-Station-ID

DEFINITION

= FIELD(IIS)

for all j:

RECEIVE Sensitivity-Level-Command FROM Mode S Transponder	T	T	T
PREV(Ground-Station-ID _{s-298}) = Not-In-Use	F	T	T
PREV(Ground-Station-ID _{s-298}) = FIELD(IIS)	T	·	·
PREV(Ground-Station-ID _{s-298} [j]) = Not-In-Use	·	T	F
i < j	·	T	·
PREV(Ground-Station-ID _{s-298} [j]) ≠ FIELD(IIS)	·	·	T

Ground-Station-Model[i]
 ↪ **Ground-Commanded-SL**

Possible Values: Cancel, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
References: (↓) SL_command_processing (p. 3-P21)
Appears In: Lowest-Ground

DEFINITION

= **Cancel**

RECEIVE Sensitivity-Level-Command FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Ground-Station-ID _{v-298} = FIELD(IIS)	T
FIELD(SLC) = 15	T

= **FIELD(SLC)**

RECEIVE Sensitivity-Level-Command FROM Mode S Transponder	T
Ground-Station-ID _{v-298} = FIELD(IIS)	T
$2 \leq \text{FIELD(SLC)} \leq 7$	T

Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition

References: (↓) Section 7.1. TRAFFIC_ADVISORY.

Appears In: Classification

DEFINITION

Altitude-Reporting _{s-293} in state Lost	T	T	F
Bearing-Valid _{m-315}	F	·	·
Other-Range-Valid _{v-296} = True	·	F	·
Potential-Threat-Range-Test _{m-341}	F	F	·
Potential-Threat-Condition _{m-340}	·	·	F

Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

References: (↑) 2.51.1 (column 1), (↑) 2.51.2 (columns 2 and 3),
 (↑) 2.51.3 (column 4), (↑) Section 2.52 (reversal inhibits),
 (↑) sections 2.57.5.1 and 2.57.5.2, (↑) TCAS/TCAS
 Encounters (2.65.2).

Appears In: Sense

DEFINITION

Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	T	T
Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	T	F	F	F
Own-Mode-S-Address _{v-254} > Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292}	T	.	.	.
Conflicting-Intent _{m-302}	T	.	.	.
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} > 4.0 s _(MINRITIME)	.	T	T	T
Tau-Rising _{m-350}	.	F	F	F
PREV(RA-Strength _{s-277}) in state Increase-2500fpm	.	F	F	.
Crossing _{s-280} in state Int-Cross	.	T	.	.
Crossing _{s-280} in state Own-Cross	.	.	T	.
Separation-and-Time-Test _{m-305}	.	T	T	.
Catch-Level-Off _{m-303}	.	T	.	.
Int-Cross-Next-Cycle _{m-304}	.	.	F	.
Multiaircraft-Bias _{m-306}	.	.	T	.
Reversal-Achieves-Greater-Separation _{m-309}	.	.	T	.
Separation _{f-439} (reversal) > 0	.	T	T	.
Crossing _{s-280} in state Non-Crossing	.	.	.	T
100-Ft-Crossing _{m-313}	.	.	.	T
RA-Strength _{s-277} in one of Nominal-1500fpm, Increase-2500fpm	.	.	.	T

Conflicting-Intent

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Other-VRC _{v-289} = Do-Not-Climb	T	·
Other-VRC _{v-289} = Do-Not-Descend	·	T

Catch-Level-Off

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	·	T

Int-Cross-Next-Cycle

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	·	T

Separation-and-Time-Test

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	T	·	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	·	T	·
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} ≥ 200 ft _(AVEVALT)	T	T	·
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} > 10 s _(MINRVSTIME)	·	·	T
100-Ft-Crossing _{m-313}	·	·	T

Multiaircraft-Bias

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Multiaircraft-Situation _{m-307}	.	F
Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f-436} ≥ 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	T	.
Opposite-Rates _{m-308}	T	.

Multiaircraft-Situation

Appears In: Multiaircraft-Bias

DEFINITION

some Other-Aircraft[j] in state Threat	T
THIS \neq j	T

Opposite-Rates

Appears In: Multiaircraft-Bias

DEFINITION

(Own-Modeled-Alt-Rate and Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate are opposite in sign)

$$\text{Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate}_{f.219} \cdot \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f.433} < 0$$

Reversal-Achieves-Greater-Separation

Appears In: Reversal-Provides-More-Separation

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Descend-Reversal-Preferred _{m-310}	T	·
Climb-Reversal-Preferred _{m-311}	·	T

Descend-Reversal-Preferred

Appears In: Reversal-Achieves-Greater-Separation

DEFINITION

$\text{Down-Separation}_{f-393}(\text{normal}) > \text{Up-Separation}_{f-425}(\text{normal}) + 100\text{ft}_{(\text{NOZCROSS})}$

Climb-Reversal-Preferred

Appears In: Reversal-Achieves-Greater-Separation

DEFINITION

$\text{Up-Separation}_{f-425}(\text{normal}) > \text{Down-Separation}_{f-393}(\text{normal}) + 100\text{ft}_{(\text{NOZCROSS})}$

Macro

Other-Aircraft[i]
↔ **New-Track**

Appears In: Aural-Alarm, Dont-Care-Test, Test-VSL-Rate, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

Other-Aircraft _{s-441} in state Tracked	T
PREV(Other-Aircraft _{s-441} in state Tracked)	F

100-Ft-Crossing

References: (\downarrow) RESOLUTION.Cross_through_check

Appears In: Crossing, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation,
Separation-and-Time-Test

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	·	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	·	T
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} \geq 100 ft _(CROSSTHR)	T	T

Above

Description: There exists an aircraft that has chosen the descend sense and has failed the Dont-Care-Test (i.e. it does care) and RAs are not delayed.

References: (\downarrow) RESOLUTION.Multiaircraft_resolution.

Appears In: None-Care-Choose, RA-Strength,
Threats-Above-And-Below

DEFINITION

there exists j :

Other-Aircraft[j] \triangleright Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	T
Dont-Care-Test _{m-357} (j)	F
Other-Aircraft[j] \triangleright Threat \triangleright Displayed-Advisory _{s-274} in state RA	T

Bearing-Valid

References: (↓) TRACKING.TRACK_INTRUDERS

Appears In: Classification, Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Tracked bearing is valid. Note bearing is considered valid during 6 second coast period.

Below

Description: There exists an aircraft that has chosen the climb sense and has failed the Dont-Care-Test (i.e. it does care) and RAs are not delayed.

References: (\downarrow) RESOLUTION.Multiaircraft_resolution.

Appears In: None-Care-Choose, RA-Strength,
Threats-Above-And-Below

DEFINITION

there exists j :

Other-Aircraft $[j]$ \triangleright Threat \triangleright Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T
Dont-Care-Test _{m-357} (j)	F
Other-Aircraft $[j]$ \triangleright Threat \triangleright Displayed-Advisory _{s-274} in state RA	T

Climb-Desc.-Inhibit

Description: Both Climb and Descend are inhibited.

References: (↓) RESOLUTION.Don't_care_test

Appears In: Auto-SL

DEFINITION

Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Inhibited	T
Descend-Inhibit _{s-245} in state Inhibited	T

Climb-RA-Weakened

References: (\downarrow) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Climb-RA-Strength-Changed, Corrective-Climb,
Corrective-Descend

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384}) > \text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384}$

T

Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed

References: (↓) Set_up_global_flags (p. 7-P33).

Appears In: Aural-Alarm

DEFINITION

Corrective-Climb _{s-263} in state Yes	T	·	T	·
Corrective-Descend _{s-264} in state Yes	·	T	·	T
Climb-RA-Strength-Changed _{m-353}	T	T	·	·
Descend-RA-Strength-Changed _{m-355}	·	·	T	T

Descend-RA-Weakened

References: (\downarrow) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Corrective-Descend, Descend-RA-Strength-Changed

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Descend-Strength}_{f.392}) > \text{Descend-Strength}_{f.392}$

\boxed{T}

Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend

References: (\downarrow) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Corrective-Climb, Corrective-Descend,
Preventive-To-Corrective

DEFINITION

Composite-RA \triangleright Climb-VSL in one of VSL0, No-Climb-VSL	T
Composite-RA \triangleright Descend-VSL in one of VSL0, No-Descend-VSL	T

Extreme-Alt-Check

Description:

Column 1 Descend sense has been chosen and own aircraft is descend inhibited.

Column 2 Climb sense has been chosen and own aircraft is climb inhibited. If a reversal has been issued, then do not check for extreme altitude.

References: (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Extreme_altitude_check.

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	T	·
Descend-Inhibit _{s-245} in state Inhibited	T	·
Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	·	T
Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Inhibited	·	T
Reversal _{s-282} in state Reversed	·	F

Increase-Check

Description:

Columns 1-3 Range test did not fail, tau has not been rising, more than $4.0 s_{(\text{MINRITIME})}$ remaining, and increases are not inhibited.

Column 1 Consider-Increase criteria is satisfied, and own current altitude is no more than $200 \text{ ft}_{(\text{AVEVALT})}$ above threat projected altitude.

Column 2 Threat is TCAS equipped.

Column 3 Non-crossing situation.

Columns 2 and 3 Firmness is minimal, tau does not exceed the threshold for increases, and projected vertical miss distance is no more than $200 \text{ ft}_{(\text{AVEVALT})}$.

References: (↑) Section 2.44, (↑) Sections 2.57 and 2.57.1,
(↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Increase_check,
(↓) Increase_proj_check.

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T	T
Tau-Rising _{m-350}	F	F	F
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} $> 4.0 s_{(\text{MINRITIME})}$	T	T	T
Increase-Inhibit	F	F	F
Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	.	T	.
Consider-Increase	T	.	.
Crossing _{s-280} in state Non-Crossing	.	.	T
Own-Track-Alt _{f-437} \leq Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430} + $200 \text{ ft}_{(\text{AVEVALT})}$	T	.	.
Other-Track-Firmness _{f-431} $\geq 2_{(\text{MINFIRM})}$	.	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} \leq Increase-Tau-Threshold[Conflict-SL _{f-385}]	.	T	T
VMD $\leq 200 \text{ ft}_{(\text{AVEVALT})}$	.	T	T

Consider-Increase

References: (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Increase_check,
(↓) Increase_proj_check.

Appears In:

DEFINITION

Reversal-Test	F
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} > 4.0 s _(MINRITIME)	T

Increase-Climb-Cancelled

Appears In: Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Some-RA-Is}_{m-381}(\text{Climb, Increase-2500fpm}))$	<table border="1"><tr><td>T</td></tr></table>	T
T		
$\text{Some-RA-Is}_{m-381}(\text{Climb, Increase-2500fpm})$	<table border="1"><tr><td>F</td></tr></table>	F
F		

Increase-Descend-Cancelled

Appears In: Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Some-RA-Is}_{m-381}(\text{Descend, Increase-2500fpm}))$	T
$\text{Some-RA-Is}_{m-381}(\text{Descend, Increase-2500fpm})$	F

Increase-RA-Ended

Appears In: Corrective-Climb, Corrective-Descend

DEFINITION

PREV(Some RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm)	T
Some RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Increase-2500fpm	F

Level-Wait-Condition

References: (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Track_firmness_test,
 (↓) Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_Crossings.

Appears In: Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

RA-Inhibit _{m-366}	F
Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state Airborne	T
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T
Threat-Alt-Test _{m-371}	T
Reply-Invalid-Test _{m-367}	F
TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test _{m-370}	T

Multi-Aircraft-Flag

Possible Values: {0, 1}

Appears In: Resolution-Message

DEFINITION

= 1

if more than one RA exists

= 0

if zero or one RA's exist

New-Climb

Appears In: Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Climb	T
PREV(Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Climb)	F

Macro

New-Descend

Appears In: Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Descend	T
PREV(Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Descend)	F

New-Threat

Appears In: Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

there exists i :

Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state RA	T
PREV(Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] not in state RA)	T

New-Increase-Climb

References: (↓) DISPLAY.Determine_goal_rate

Appears In: Corrective-Climb, New-Increase, Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate

DEFINITION

Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, Increase-2500fpm)	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} ≤ 2500 ft/min _(INCCLMRATE)	T
PREV(Some-RA-Is _{m-381} (Climb, Increase-2500fpm))	F

New-Increase-Descend

References: (\downarrow) `DISPLAY.Determine_goal_rate`

Appears In: `Corrective-Descend`, `New-Increase`, `Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate`

DEFINITION

<code>Some-RA-Is_{m-381}(Descend, Increase-2500fpm)</code>	T
<code>Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438} \geq -2500 ft/min_(INCDES RATE)</code>	T
<code>PREV(Some-RA-Is_{m-381}(Descend, Increase-2500fpm))</code>	F

No-Strengthen

References: (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.No_Weaken_Test.

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

$\text{Modified-Tau-Capped}_{f-401} >$ $\max(20_{(\text{STROFIR}), \text{Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f-385}, \text{Other-Track-Firmness}_{f-431}]})$	T
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No-Waiting-Intruders-With-Priority

Appears In: Intruder-Info

DEFINITION

for all j ,

<i>Other-Aircraft[j] info already sent</i>	T	·
$\text{Traffic-Score}_{f.421}(i) \geq \text{Traffic-Score}_{f.421}(j)$	·	T

No-Weaken

References: (↑) Section 2.28.1, (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.No_Weaken_Test

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

RA-Strength _{s-277} in one of VSL-1000fpm, VSL-500fpm, VSL-0fpm	T	T	T	F	F	F	F
RA-Strength _{s-277} in state Nominal-1500fpm	F	F	F	T	T	T	T
Reversal _{s-282} in state Reversed	T	F	.	.	T	F	.
DURATION(RA-Strength _{s-277} unchanged) < 5s _(TRVSNOWEAK)	T	.	.	.	T	.	.
DURATION(RA-Strength _{s-277} unchanged) < 10s _(NOWEAK)	.	T	.	.	.	.	T
Other-Track-Firmness _{f-431} < 2 _(MINFIRM)	.	.	T	.	.	.	.
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} < Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	.	.	.	T	F	F	F

Noncrossing-Biased-Climb

Description:

Column 1 Downward sense preferred, crossing situation, upward sense provides adequate separation and current vertical separation $> 300 \text{ ft}_{(\text{MINSEP})}$.

Column 2 Upward sense preferred, crossing situation but downward sense provides inadequate separation.

Column 3 Upward sense preferred and noncrossing situation.

References: (↑) Section 2.37 (bias against crossing),
 (↑) Section 2.49.2(3) (avoid crossing),
 (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Select_sense

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Sense

DEFINITION

Inhibit-Biased-Climb _{f-396} (normal) $>$ Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal)	F	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $>$ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	T	.	.
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} $\geq 300 \text{ ft}_{(\text{MINSEP})}$	T	.	.
Up-Separation _{f-425} (normal) \geq Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	T	.	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $<$ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	T	F
Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal) \geq Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	.	F	.

Noncrossing-Biased-Descend

Description:

Column 1 Downward sense preferred, crossing situation but upward sense provides inadequate separation.

Column 2 Upward sense preferred, crossing situation, downward sense provides adequate separation and current vertical separation $> 300 \text{ ft}_{(\text{MINSEP})}$.

Column 3 Downward sense preferred and noncrossing situation.

References: (↑) Section 2.49.2(3) (avoid crossing),
(↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Select_sense

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Sense

DEFINITION

Inhibit-Biased-Climb _{f-396} (normal) > Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal)	F	T	F
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	F	.	F
Up-Separation _{f-425} (normal) ≥ Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	F	.	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	T	.
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} ≥ 300 ft _(MINSEP)	.	T	.
Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal) ≥ Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	.	T	.

Potential-Threat-Condition

Description: To be considered a *Potential-Threat*, the intruder must satisfy the potential threat range criteria. If the intruder is altitude reporting, it must also satisfy the potential threat altitude criteria. If the intruder is not altitude reporting, then it is considered a potential threat only if own altitude is below 15500 ft_(ABOVNMC) and the bearing and range reports are considered valid.

References: (↓) TRAFFIC_ADVISORY.Traffic_advisory_detection,
(↓) Range_hit_processing.

Appears In: Classification, Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state Airborne	·	T
Potential-Threat-Range-Test _{m-341}	T	T
Altitude-Reporting _{v-293} = True	F	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} \geq 15500 ft _(ABOVNMC)	F	·
Potential-Threat-Alt-Test _{m-365}	·	T

Potential-Threat-Range-Test

Description:

Column 1 Range is smaller than immediate range threshold.

Column 2 Range-rate is diverging by more than a small amount, and the range/range-rate product does not exceed the threshold, and range does not exceed incremental volume.

Columns 3 tau is less than threshold. If range-rate has a very small magnitude, then use a larger value to avoid a zero divide.

References: (↓) TRAFFIC_ADVISORY.Traffic_range_test

Appears In: Classification, Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition, Potential-Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

$\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} < \text{RTHRTA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$	T	F	F
$\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435} > \text{RDTHRTA}$	.	.	F
$\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} * \text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435} < \text{H1TA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$	.	.	.
$\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} \leq \text{DMODTA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$	.	.	.
$\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435} < -\text{RDTHRTA}$	.	T	F
$\frac{\text{DMODTA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]^2 - \text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434}}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} * \text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435}} < \text{RTHRTA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$	.	T	.
$\frac{\text{DMODTATBL}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]^2 - \text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434}}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} * \text{RDTHRTA}} < \text{RTHRTA}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$	<	.	T

Preventive-To-Corrective

References: (↓) DISPLAY_ADVISORIES, Determine_Goal_Rate,
(↓) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Aural-Alarm

DEFINITION

New-Increase _{m-361}	T	.	.	.	.	.	.
Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend _{m-321}	.	T	T	T	F	F	F
PREV(Corrective-Climb in state No)	.	T	F	.	T	F	.
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} < $-(500 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{SMALLRATE})} + 300 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{HYSTERCOR})})$	.	T	.	.	.	.	.
PREV(Corrective-Descend in state No)	.	.	T	T	.	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} > $500 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{SMALLRATE})} + 300 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{HYSTERCOR})}$	.	.	T	T	.	.	.
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} < Climb-Goal _{f-382} - $300 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{HYSTERCOR})}$	.	.	.	.	T	.	.
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} > Descend-Goal _{f-390} + $300 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{HYSTERCOR})}$	.	.	.	.	.	T	T

Proximate-Traffic-Condition

Description: To be considered *In-Proximity* the intruder must be within a range of 6.0 nmi_(PROXR). Additionally, if the intruder is altitude reporting, its relative altitude must be within 1200 ft_(PROXA). If the intruder is not altitude reporting, then it considered proximate traffic only if own altitude is below 15500 ft_(ABOVNMC) and the bearing and range reports are considered valid.

References: (↓) TRAFFIC_ADVISORY.Proximity_test.

Appears In: Classification

DEFINITION

Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state Airborne	·	T
Other-Tracked-Range _{f-434} < 6.0 nmi _(PROXR)	T	T
Altitude-Reporting _{v-293} = True	F	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} ≥ 15500 ft _(ABOVNMC)	F	·
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} < 1200 ft _(PROXA)	·	T

RA-Display-Delay

Description:

Column 1 Threat is TCAS equipped and no intent has been received and own Mode-S address is higher than threat's.

References: (↑) Delays (2.35), (↑) TCAS/TCAS Encounters (2.65.2), (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.TCAS_threat_processing.

Appears In: Displayed-Advisory, RA-Strength

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS-TA/RA	T
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	T
Own-Mode-S-Address _{v-254} > Other-Mode-S-Address _{v-292}	T

Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message

Comments: **Note:** The horizontal sense bit (HSB) is not used in the pseudocode (change 6).

References: (↓) Process_threat_intent (p. 3-P13).

Appears In: Other-HRC, Other-Mode-S-Address, Other-VRC

DEFINITION

RECEIVE Resolution-Message FROM Mode S Transponder	T	T	T	T
$VSB = VSB_{f_{429}}(CVC, VRC)$	T	T	T	T
$CVC \neq 0$	T	.	.	.
$CHC \neq 0$	.	T	.	.
$VRC \neq 0$	.	.	T	.
$HRC \neq 0$	.	.	.	T
$CVC \neq 3$	T	T	T	T
$VRC \neq 3$	T	T	T	T

Some-Threat-Clear-Of-Conflict

Comments: The requirement that the RA be displayed for some minimum amount of time is taken care of in the transitions out of RA.

References: (↓) Hit_or_miss_test (p. 186), (↓) Set_up_working_list (p. 204)

Appears In: Combined-Control

DEFINITION

For some tracked aircraft i , the following conditions hold:

PREV(Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Threat ▷ Displayed-Advisory in state RA)	T
Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Threat ▷ Displayed-Advisory in state RA	F

Some-Threat-Track-Dropped

Comments: NOTE: This doesn't work if Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] immediately picks up another track.

References: (↓) PROCESS Drop_Tracks (p. 132).

Appears In: Combined-Control

DEFINITION

For some aircraft entry i , the following conditions hold:

PREV(Other-Aircraft[i] ▷ Threat ▷ Displayed-Advisory in state RA)	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Not-Tracked	T

Standby-Condition

Comments: See ARINC735: Attachments 3A and 3B, Note 20.
Appears In: Other-Aircraft

DEFINITION

Standby _{v-251} = True	T	·	·
Traffic-Display-Permitted _{v-255}	·	F	·
Own-Air-Status _{v-252} = On-Ground	·	T	·
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = Standby	·	·	T

Other-Aircraft-Model[i]

↪ **Surveillance-Report-Matches****Description:**

Column 1 The report is for Other-Aircraft[i] if Other-Aircraft[i] has sent resolution messages, surveillance is not tracking this aircraft, and the Mode S addresses match.

Column 2 The report is for Other-Aircraft[i] if the surveillance numbers match, and Other-Aircraft[i] is really being tracked by surveillance.

Appears In: Altitude-Reporting, Altitude-Valid, Altitude, Equippage, Other-Bearing-Valid, Other-Bearing, Other-Mode-S-Address, Other-Range-Valid, Range-Report-Time-Stamp, Range, Sensitivity-Level, Surveillance-ID

DEFINITION

RECEIVE Surveillance-Report FROM Surveillance	T	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Threat-Not-Tracked	T	.
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] ▷ Other-Mode-S-Address = FIELD(IDINTR)	T	.
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] in state Tracked	.	T
Other-Aircraft _{s-441} [i] ▷ Surveillance-ID = FIELD(SURVNO)	.	T

Tau-Rising

References: (↑) Nuisance Alarm Filter (2.43),
 (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Tau_calculation

Appears In: Crossing, Increase-Check,
 Reversal-Provides-More-Separation, Threat-Range-Test

DEFINITION

there exists a b c for all d e

$a > b > c$	T
$a > d > e$	T
$PREV_a(\text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f-424}) \leq PREV_b(\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f-423})$	T
$PREV_b(\text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f-424}) \leq PREV_c(\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f-423})$	T
$PREV_a(\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434}) > 1.5 \text{ nmi}_{(NAFRANGE)}$	T
$PREV_b(\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434}) > 1.5 \text{ nmi}_{(NAFRANGE)}$	T
$PREV_c(\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434}) > 1.5 \text{ nmi}_{(NAFRANGE)}$	T
$PREV_d(\text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f-424}) \leq PREV_e(\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f-423})$	T

Alt-Separation-Test

Description:

Columns 1-2 Threat is TCAS equipped and two of the last three range reports were valid and no intent received and confidence is high and own vertical rate is “level” and current vertical separation $>$ MAXALTDIFF feet.

Columns 3-4 Threat is not TCAS equipped and confidence is high and own vertical rate is “level” and current vertical separation $>$ MAXALTDIFF feet.

Columns 1 and 3 TCAS will choose an upward crossing RA.

Columns 2 and 4 TCAS will choose a downward crossing RA.

References: (↑) Section 2.36.2,
(↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Track_firmness_test,
(↓) Alt_separation_test.

Appears In: Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	T	T	F	F
Two-Of-Three _{m-376}	T	T	.	.
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	T	T	.	.
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} < FRTHR	T	T	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} \leq 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	T	T	T	T
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} $>$ 600 ft _(MAXALTDIFF)	T	T	T	T
Noncrossing-Biased-Climb _{m-338}	T	.	T	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	T	.	T	.
Noncrossing-Biased-Descend _{m-339}	.	T	.	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $>$ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	T	.	T

Abbreviations:

FRTHR

Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent [Conflict-SL_{f-385}, Other-Track-Firmness_{f-431}]

Climb-RA-Strength-Changed

References: (↓) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed

DEFINITION

Climb-RA-Weakened _{m-318}	T	·
Climb-RA-Strengthened _{m-354}	·	T

Climb-RA-Strengthened

References: (\downarrow) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Climb-RA-Strength-Changed

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384}) < \text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384}$

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Descend-RA-Strength-Changed

References: (↓) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed

DEFINITION

Descend-RA-Weakened _{m-320}	T	·
Descend-RA-Strengthened _{m-356}	·	T

Descend-RA-Strengthened

References: (\downarrow) Corrective_preventive_test

Appears In: Descend-RA-Strength-Changed

DEFINITION

$\text{PREV}(\text{Descend-Strength}_{f.392}) < \text{Descend-Strength}_{f.392}$

$\boxed{\text{T}}$

Dont-Care-Test

Parameters: i

Description: There exists at least one other aircraft that is a threat and has selected sense opposite current aircraft, and the modeled separation for that aircraft following a leveloff is worse than the modeled separation for current aircraft in the opposite (second choice) sense.

References: (\uparrow) Don't-care test (2.50), (\uparrow) Selecting a Vertical Rate (2.56.1), (\downarrow) Don't_care_test.

Appears In: Above, Below

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	F	F	F	F
New-Track _{m-312} [i]	T	T	T	T
Other-Aircraft[i] \triangleright Sense _{s-275} in state Climb	T	.	T	.
Other-Aircraft[i] \triangleright Sense _{s-275} in state Descend	.	T	.	T
Down-Separation _{f-393} (normal) \geq Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	T	.	.	.
Up-Separation _{f-425} (normal) \geq Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s-261}]	.	T	.	.
Own-Aircraft \triangleright Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Descend	.	.	T	.
Own-Aircraft \triangleright Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Climb	.	.	.	T
Level-Off-Worse	.	.	T	T

Abbreviations:

Level-Off-Worse

there exists j :
(Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[j] ▷ Threat ▷ Sense **not in same state as**
Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] ▷ Threat ▷ Sense) **and**
VMD[j] < Separation-Second-Choice_{f-418}(i)

VMD[j]

For Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[j]

Let:
OWNLEV = Own-Tracked-Alt_{f-437} + (4 s_(OWNDEL) · Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438})
RELALT = OWNLEV - Other-Tracked-Alt_{f-432}
TAUM = Min(Max(Modified-Tau-Capped_{f-401}, 10 s_(MINTAUM)),
True-Tau-Uncapped_{f-424})
TRTRU = True-Tau-Capped_{f-423}
TVPE = XTVPETBLX[Sensitivity-Level_{v-291}]

Then:
VMD[j] = Vertical-Miss-Distance_{f-426}(RELALT, ZDINT, TAUM,
TRTRU, TVPE)

Abbreviations:

SENSEFIRM

Low-Firmness-Alt-Threshold[Altitude-Layer_{s-261}]

TFRTHR

Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent[Conflict-SL_{f-385}, Other-Track-Firmness_{f-431}]

Low-Firmness-Separation-Test

Description:

Columns 1-3 Threat is TCAS equipped and no intent received and two of the past three range reports were valid and confidence is low.

Columns 4-6 Threat is not TCAS equipped and confidence is low.

Columns 1 and 4 Separation in neither sense is adequate.

Columns 2 and 5 TCAS will choose an upward crossing RA and current vertical separation > LOWFIRMZR feet.

Columns 3 and 6 TCAS will choose a downward crossing RA and current vertical separation > LOWFIRMZR feet.

Note: SENSEFIRM is like ALIM in that the value changes based on the altitude layer.

References: (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Track_firmness_test,
(↓) Evaluate_low_firmness_separation.

Appears In: Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	T	T	T	F	F	F
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	T	T	T	.	.	.
Two-Of-Three _{m-376}	T	T	T	.	.	.
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} < TFRTHR	F	F	F	F	F	F
Down-Separation _{f-393} (low-firm) ≤ SENSEFIRM	T	.	.	T	.	.
Up-Separation _{f-425} (low-firm) ≤ SENSEFIRM	T	.	.	T	.	.
Inhibit-Biased-Climb _{f-396} (low-firm) > Down-Separation _{f-393} (low-firm)	.	T	F	.	T	F
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} < Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	T	.	.	T	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} > Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	.	T	.	.	T
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} > 150 ft _(LOWFIRMZR)	.	T	T	.	T	T

New-Increase

References: (\downarrow) `DISPLAY.Determine_goal_rate`

Appears In: Preventive-To-Corrective

DEFINITION

New-Increase-Climb _{m-333}	T	.
New-Increase-Descend _{m-334}	.	T

No-Weaken-Negative

Parameters: current-state

References: (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.No_Weaken_Test

Appears In:

DEFINITION

Reversal _{s-282} in state Reversed	T	F	·
Current-Advisory-Time _{f-386} (current-state) < 5s _(TRVSNOWEAK)	T	·	·
Current-Advisory-Time _{f-386} (current-state) < 10s _(NOWEAK)	·	T	·
Other-Track-Firmness _{f-431} < 2 _(MINFIRM)	·	·	T

No-Weaken-Positive

Parameters: current-state

References: (↑) Selecting a Vertical Rate (2.56.1), (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.No_Weaken_Test

Appears In:

DEFINITION

Current-Vertical-Separation _{f.387} < Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s.261}]	T	F	F	F
Reversal _{s.282} in state Reversed	·	T	F	·
Current-Advisory-Time _{f.386} (current-state) < 5s _(TRVSNOWEAK)	·	T	·	·
Current-Advisory-Time _{f.386} (current-state) < 10s _(NOWEAK)	·	·	·	T

Other-Aircraft[i]
 \hookrightarrow **None-Care-Choose**

Parameters: Direction

Description: During a multi-aircraft situation, if neither Above nor Below are set, the sense of all new threats is changed, if necessary, to the sense of the first new threat evaluated. This macro will be true if the sense of the first threat evaluated is opposite own current sense. This macro requires something similar (note that there is no execution order, so the threat with the lowest index is chosen).

Appears In: Sense

DEFINITION

there exists $j < i$, for all $k < j$:

Above _{m-314}	F
Below _{m-316}	F
Other-Aircraft[j] in state Threat	T
Other-Aircraft[k] not in state Threat	T
Other-Aircraft[j] in state <i>Direction</i>	T

Potential-Threat-Alt-Test

Description:

Column 1 The absolute value of the relative altitude is small.

Column 2 The relative altitude rate is not diverging by a sufficient amount and altitude tau is small enough.

References: (↓) TRAFFIC_ADVISORY.Traffic_altitude_test

Appears In: Potential-Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

$| \text{Other-Relative-Altitude}_{f.224} | < 1200 \text{ ft}_{(Z_{\text{THR}})}$	T	·
$\text{Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate}_{f.436} \geq -1 \text{ ft/s}_{(Z_{\text{THR}})}$	·	F
$-\frac{| \text{Other-Relative-Altitude}_{f.224} |}{\text{Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate}_{f.436}} < \text{TVTHRATBL}$	·	T

Abbreviations:

TVTHRATBL

Potential-Threat-Time-to-Co-Altitude-Threshold[Conflict-SL_{f.385}]

Abbreviations:

RA-Inhibit-From-Ground

there exists i :
 Mode-S-Ground-Station[i].Ground-Commanded-SL_{v.299} = 2

RA-Inhibit

Description: There exists at least one ground station that has commanded sensitivity level 2

References: (↓) TRACK_OWN.Update_advisory_mode

Appears In: Level-Wait-Condition, Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Auto-SL _{s-241} in state 2	T	·	·
Mode-Selector _{v-218} = 2	·	T	·
RA-Inhibit-From-Ground	·	·	T

Reply-Invalid-Test

Description:

Column 1 TCAS equipped and no intent received and either that last range report was invalid or both of the two previous range reports were invalid.

Note The negation of this macro is either (TCAS equipped and intent received) or (TCAS equipped and no intent received and two of the last three range reports were valid) or (not TCAS equipped).

References: (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Track_firmness_test

Appears In: Level-Wait-Condition, Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	T
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	T
Two-Of-Three _{m-376}	F

Test-VSL-Rate

Parameters: Rate

Description:

ALIMOD = ALIM modification

ZDI = Intruder Tracked Altitude Rate

VSL = Vertical speed limit

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

VSL-OK _{m-378} (Rate, True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} , ALIMOD,ZDI)	T
VSL-OK _{m-378} (Rate, Modified-Tau-Capped _{f-401} ,ALIMOD,ZDI)	T

Abbreviations:

ALIMOD

$$\begin{cases} -75 & \text{if (New-Track}_{m-312} \text{ and Rate} > 0) \text{ or} \\ & (\neg \text{New-Track}_{m-312} \text{ and Old-Rate}_{f-403} > \text{Rate}) \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

LOW-FIRMNESS

$$\text{Modified-Tau-Capped}_{f-401} < \text{Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}, \text{Other-Track-Firmness}_{f-431})$$

ZDI

$$\begin{cases} \text{Max}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner}_{f-404}, \\ \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer}_{f-405}) \\ \text{if New-Track}_{m-312} \text{ and} \\ \text{LOW-FIRMNESS and} \\ \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in state Climb} \\ \text{Min}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner}_{f-404}, \\ \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer}_{f-405}) \\ \text{if New-Track}_{m-312} \text{ and} \\ \text{LOW-FIRMNESS and} \\ \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in state Descend} \\ \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-433} \\ \text{if } \neg \text{New-Track}_{m-312} \text{ or} \\ \text{not LOW-FIRMNESS} \end{cases}$$

TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test

Description:

Columns 1-2 Threat is TCAS equipped and no intent has been received and two of the last three range reports are valid and confidence is high and own aircraft is level and threat aircraft is not level and current vertical separation is $>$ MINSEP feet.

Column 1 Own is currently above threat but is projected to be below threat at CPA.

Column 2 Own is currently below threat but is projected to be above threat at CPA.

References: (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Track_firmness_test,
(↓) Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings

Appears In: Level-Wait-Condition, Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Equippage _{v-286} = TCAS	T	T
Other-VRC _{v-289} = No-Intent	T	T
Two-Of-Three _{m-376}	T	T
True-Tau-Capped _{f-423} $<$ TFRTHR	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-438} \leq 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	T	T
Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f-436} $>$ 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	T	T
Current-Vertical-Separation _{f-387} $>$ 300 ft _(MINSEP)	T	T
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $>$ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	T	.
Own-Projected-Alt _{f-406} $<$ Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	T	.
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f-437} $<$ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432}	.	T
Own-Projected-Alt _{f-406} $>$ Other-Projected-Alt _{f-430}	.	T

Abbreviations:

TFRTHR

Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent[Conflict-SL_{f-385}, Other-Track-Firmness_{f-431}]

Threat-Alt-Test

References: (↑) Range Test (2.30.1), (↑) Section 2.32,
 (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Altitude_test

Appears In: Level-Wait-Condition, Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Altitude-Reporting _{v-293} = True	T	T	T	T	T	T
| Other-Relative-Altitude _{f-224} | < ZT	T	F	F	T	F	F
Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f-435} > 0	F	F	F	T	T	T
| Other-Relative-Altitude _{f-224} | < ZT	.	.	.	T	T	F
|VMD| < ZT	T	T	F	.	.	.
Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f-436} ≥ -1 ft/s _(ZDTHRTA)	.	F	F	.	F	F
Time-To-Co-Alt _{f-419} < TVTUTBL	.	T	T	.	T	T
| Range-At-Co-Alt _{f-410} | < DMODTBL	.	.	T	.	.	T
Time-To-Co-Alt _{f-419} < True-Tau-Capped _{f-423}	.	.	T	.	.	T

Abbreviations:

VMD

Let:

$RZ = \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - \text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{f.432}$

$RZD = \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f.438} - \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f.433}$

$TRTRU = \text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f.423}$

$TAUR = \text{Modified-Tau-Capped}_{f.401}$

$TVPCMD = \text{XTVPCTBLX}[\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v.291}]$

Then:

$VMD = \text{Vertical-Miss-Distance}_{f.426}(RZ, RZD, TRTRU, TAUR, TVPCMD)$

ZT

$\text{Threat-Alt-Threshold}[\text{Altitude-Layer}_{s.261}]$

TVTUTBL

$\text{Threat-Time-To-Co-Alt-Threshold-U}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$

DMODTBL

$\text{Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold}[\text{Conflict-SL}_{f.385}]$

Threat-Condition

Description:

Columns 1-2 Not RA inhibited and airborne and the reply validity test failed the threat range test passed and the threat altitude test passed.

Column 1 The TCAS-TCAS crossing delay period has not expired and the TCAS-TCAS crossing test failed and the altitude separation test failed and the low firmness test failed.

Column 2 The TCAS-TCAS crossing delay period has expired and the altitude separation test failed and the low firmness separation test failed.

References: (↑) Threat Detection (2.29,2.30),
(↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Hit_or_miss_test

Appears In: Classification

DEFINITION

RA-Inhibit _{m-366}	F	F
Other-Air-Status _{s-297} in state Airborne	T	T
Threat-Range-Test _{m-374}	T	T
Threat-Alt-Test _{m-371}	T	T
Reply-Invalid-Test _{m-367}	F	F
TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test _{m-370}	F	.
DURATION(Level-Wait-Condition _{m-328}) > 3 s	F	T
Alt-Separation-Test _{m-351}	F	F
Low-Firmness-Separation-Test _{m-359}	F	F

Threat-Range-Test

References: (↑) Section 2.32, (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Range_test
Appears In: Classification, Increase-Check, Level-Wait-Condition,
 RA-Strength, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation,
 Threat-Condition

DEFINITION

Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f.435} > 10 ft/s _(RDTHR)	T	F	F	F
Other-Tracked-Range _{f.434} > DMOD	F	.	F	F
Modified-Tau-Capped _{f.401} < TRTHR	.	T	F	.
Other-Tracked-Range _{f.434} ≤ 12.0 nmi _(RMAX)	.	T	.	F
| Other-Tracked-Range-Rate _{f.435} * Other-Tracked-Range _{f.434} | > H1	F	.	F	F
Tau-Rising _{m-350}	F	F	F	F

Abbreviations:

DMOD

Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold[Conflict-SL_{f.385}]

TRTHR

Threat-Modified-Tau-Threshold[Conflict-SL_{f.385}]

H1

Threat-Minimum-Divergence-Threshold[Conflict-SL_{f.385}]

Try-VSL-Test

References: (↑) Selecting a Vertical Rate (2.56.1), (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Select_Advisory

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate _{f.436} < 1000 ft/min _(ILEV)	T	T	T	F	F
Own-Tracked-Alt _{f.437} ≥ Other-Tracked-Alt _{f.432} + Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s.261}]	T	F	F	·	·
Own-Projected-Alt _{f.406} ≥ Other-Projected-Alt _{f.430} + Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold[Altitude-Layer _{s.261}]	·	T	·	T	·
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f.438} > 600 ft/min _(OLEV)	·	·	T	·	T

Two-Of-Three

References: (↑) TCAS/TCAS Coordination (2.63),
 (↓) TRACKING.Valid_report_test

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test,
 Reply-Invalid-Test, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test

DEFINITION

there exists $j \in \{1, 2\}$:

$\text{PREV}_j(\text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296}) = \text{True}$	T
$\text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{True}$	T

Validity-Check

Parameters: Radar-Alt

References: (↓) Radar_credibility_test

Appears In: Ground-Level

DEFINITION

The Radar-Altitude credibility check is not defined in the MOPS

VSL-OK

Parameters: VSL-RATE, TAU, ALIMOD, OTHR-RATE

References: (↑) Selecting a Vertical Rate (2.56.1)

Appears In: Test-VSL-Rate

DEFINITION

$\text{VVMD} > \text{Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold}[\text{Altitude-Layer}_{s-261}] + \text{ALIMOD}$
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T

Abbreviations:

TRTLIM

$$\text{Min}(\text{TAU}, \text{XTVPETBLX}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}))$$

DIRECTION

$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in state Climb} \\ -1 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

RATE

$$\begin{cases} -\text{VSL-RATE} & \text{if } \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in state Climb} \\ \text{VSL-RATE} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

DELAY

$$\begin{cases} \text{Max}(-2.5 s_{(\text{BACKDELAY})}, 5 s_{(\text{TV1})} - \\ \quad \text{DURATION}(\text{RA-Strength}_{s-277} \text{ unchanged}) \\ \quad \text{if } \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438} < \text{RATE} \text{ and} \\ \quad \quad \neg \text{New-Track}_{m-312} \\ 5 s_{(\text{TV1})} \\ \quad \text{if } \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438} < \text{RATE} \text{ and} \\ \quad \quad \text{New-Track}_{m-312} \end{cases}$$

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$$\text{Vertical-Projection}_{f-427}(\text{TRTLIM}, \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f-437}, \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438}, \text{RATE}, \text{DELAY}, \text{DIRECTION})$$

VVMD

$$\begin{cases} \text{Other-Relative-Altitude}_{f-224} + \\ (\text{RATE} - \text{OTHER-RATE}) \cdot \text{TRTLIM} \\ \quad \text{if } \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438} \geq \text{RATE} \\ (\text{V0} - \text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{f-432}) - \\ \text{OTHER-RATE} \cdot \text{TRTLIM} \\ \quad \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Threats-Above-And-Below

References: (↑) Multi-Aircraft Situations (2.58)

Appears In: RA-Strength

DEFINITION

Above _{m-314}	T
Below _{m-316}	T

Some-RA-Is

Parameters: Sense, Strength

Description: At least one of the threats has the given sense and strength.

Appears In: Climb-VSL, Descend-VSL, Increase-Climb-Cancelled,
Increase-Descend-Cancelled, New-Increase-Climb,
New-Increase-Descend

DEFINITION

there exists i :

Sense _{s-275} [i] in state <i>Sense</i>	T
RA-Strength _{s-277} in state <i>Strength</i>	

Climb-Goal

Possible Values: (-10000...+∞)

Description: **Reference:** MOPS: Determine_goal_rate (p. 7-P29).

Appears In: Corrective-Climb, Preventive-To-Corrective

DEFINITION

Climb-Goal =

{	-10000 ft/min _(HUGE)	if Composite-RA _{s-266} in state No-RA or Composite-RA in state No-Climb-VSL
	<i>Climb - Goal</i> (1)	if Composite-RA in state Climb-VSL \triangleright VSL2000
	<i>Climb - Goal</i> (2)	if Composite-RA in state Climb-VSL \triangleright VSL1000
	<i>Climb - Goal</i> (3)	if Composite-RA in state Climb-VSL \triangleright VSL500
	<i>Climb - Goal</i> (4)	if Composite-RA in state Climb-VSL \triangleright VSL0
	Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219}	if Composite-RA _{s-266} in state Climb

Climb-Separation

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV

DEFINITION

Climb-Separation = $\text{Min} (\text{OBC} - \text{Max}(\text{IBC}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394}),$
 $\text{OEC} - \text{Max}(\text{IEC}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394}))$

Climb-Strength

Possible Values: 0..8

Description: (↓) EVAL (p. 6-P88).

Appears In: Climb-RA-Strengthened, Climb-RA-Weakened,
 Low-Firm-Separation,
 Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV,
 Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

DEFINITION

Climb-Strength =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 8 \text{ if Composite-RA in state Climb} \\ 4 \text{ if Composite-RA in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Climb-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL0} \\ 3 \text{ if Composite-RA in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Climb-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL500} \\ 2 \text{ if Composite-RA in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Climb-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL1000} \\ 1 \text{ if Composite-RA in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Climb-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL2000} \\ 0 \text{ Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

Conflict-SL

Possible Values: Integer

References: (↑) Section 2.33

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Increase-Check, Modified-Tau-Uncapped, No-Strengthen, Potential-Threat-Alt-Test, Potential-Threat-Range-Test, Sense, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, Threat-Range-Test

DEFINITION

Let:

Effective-SL-Value =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 1} \\ 2 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 2} \\ 3 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 3} \\ 4 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 4} \\ 5 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 5} \\ 6 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 6} \\ 7 \text{ if } \text{Effective-SL}_{s-238} \text{ in state 7} \end{array} \right.$$

Then:

$$\text{Conflict-SL} = \mathbf{Max}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}, \text{Effective-SL-Value})$$

Current-Advisory-Time

Parameters: current-state
Possible Values: integer range
Appears In: No-Weaken-Negative, No-Weaken-Positive

DEFINITION

Current-Advisory-Time = DURATION(*current-state*)

Current-Vertical-Separation

Possible Values: integer range

Appears In: 100-Ft-Crossing, Alt-Separation-Test,
Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, No-Weaken-Positive,
No-Weaken, Noncrossing-Biased-Climb,
Noncrossing-Biased-Descend, Proximate-Traffic-Condition,
Separation-and-Time-Test, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test,
Time-To-Co-Alt

DEFINITION

| Own-Tracked-Alt_{f.437} – Other-Tracked-Alt_{f.432} |

CVC

Parameters: i
Possible Values: $\{ 0, 1, 2 \}$
Description: This function returns the value of the CVC Mode S message field. Its values have the following meaning:

Value	Meaning
0	No cancellation.
1	Cancel, don't descend.
2	Cancel, don't climb.
3	Not assigned.

Explanation of value selection criteria: If Other-Aircraft is in state Not-Reversed, that means two things: (1) own TCAS has selected an RA sense against the intruder, and (2) the sense has not been reversed against the intruder. Thus, the CVC has value 0 (no cancellation).

If TCAS had selected a Descend RA on the previous cycle (approximately one second in the past) and on this cycle has either reversed or terminated the RA, then CVC is 1 (for cancel don't descend).

Likewise, if TCAS had selected a Climb RA on the previous cycle and on this cycle has either reversed or terminated the RA, then CVC is 2 (for cancel don't climb).

(↓) Send_initial_intent (p. 6-P57).

Appears In: Resolution-Message

DEFINITION

CVC =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \text{ if } \text{Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Not-Reversed} \\ 1 \text{ if } (\text{Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ not in state Threat or} \\ \quad \text{Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Reversed) and} \\ \quad \text{PREV(Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Threat } \triangleright \text{ Descend)} \\ 2 \text{ if } (\text{Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ not in state Threat or} \\ \quad \text{Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Reversed) and} \\ \quad \text{PREV(Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Threat } \triangleright \text{ Climb} \end{array} \right.$$

Descend-Goal

Possible Values: $(-\infty \dots +10000)$

References: (\downarrow) Determine_goal_rate (p. 7-P29).

Appears In: Corrective-Descend, Preventive-To-Corrective

DEFINITION

Descend-Goal =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -10000 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{HUGE})} & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA}_{s-266} \mathbf{ in state No-RA or} \\ & \text{Composite-RA in state No-Descend-VSL} \\ \text{Descend - Goal}(1) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA in state Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL2000} \\ \text{Descend - Goal}(2) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA in state Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL1000} \\ \text{Descend - Goal}(3) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA in state Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL500} \\ \text{Descend - Goal}(4) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA in state Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL0} \\ \text{Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate}_{f-219} & \mathbf{if} \text{ Composite-RA}_{s-266} \mathbf{ in state Descend} \end{array} \right.$$

Descend-Separation

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV

DEFINITION

Descend-Separation =

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Min} (\text{Max}(\text{IBD}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394}) - \text{Max}(\text{OBD}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394} + 900 \text{ ft}_{(\text{ZDESBOT})}), \\ & \text{Max}(\text{IED}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394}) - \text{Max}(\text{OED}, \text{Ground-Level}_{f-394} + 900 \text{ ft}_{(\text{ZDESBOT})})) \end{aligned}$$

Descend-Strength

Possible Values: 1...8

References: (↓) EVAL (p. 6-P88).

Appears In: Descend-RA-Strengthened, Descend-RA-Weakened,
 Low-Firm-Separation,
 Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV,
 Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

DEFINITION

Descend-Strength =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 8 \text{ if Composite-RA}_{s-266} \text{ in state Descend} \\ 4 \text{ if Composite-RA}_{s-266} \text{ in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL0} \\ 3 \text{ if Composite-RA}_{s-266} \text{ in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL500} \\ 2 \text{ if Composite-RA}_{s-266} \text{ in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL1000} \\ 1 \text{ if Composite-RA}_{s-266} \text{ in state Negative } \triangleright \text{ Descend-VSL } \triangleright \text{ VSL2000} \\ 0 \text{ Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

Down-Separation

Parameters: Model-Type

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Climb-Reversal-Preferred, Descend-Reversal-Preferred,
Dont-Care-Test, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test,
Noncrossing-Biased-Climb, Noncrossing-Biased-Descend,
Sense, Separation-Second-Choice

DEFINITION

Up-Separation = Separation_{f-439}(Down, Model-Type)

Ground-Level

Possible Values: Integer

References: (↓) TRACK_OWN.Ground_level_estimation.

Appears In: Aural-Alarm-Inhibit, Climb-Separation, Descend-Inhibit,
Descend-Separation, Ground-Level, Other-Air-Status

DEFINITION

Ground-Level =

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - 1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)} \\ \text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \\ \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - \text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} \\ \text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \\ 1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)} \\ \text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f.437} - \text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} \end{array} \right.$	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} = \text{On-Ground}$
	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and for all $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, 10_{(\text{RADARLOST})}\}$: $(\text{PREV}_j(\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248}) = \text{Not-Valid})$ and $\text{Validity-Check}_{m.377}(\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247}) = \text{True}$
	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and there exists $j, k \in \{0, 1, \dots, 10_{(\text{RADARLOST})}\}$: $(\text{PREV}_j(\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248}) = \text{Not-Valid})$ or $\text{Validity-Check}_{m.377}(\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247}) = \text{True}$ and $\text{PREV}_k(\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248}) = \text{Valid}$
	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and $\text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) = -1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} < 1650 \text{ ft}_{(\text{KNOWGROL})}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248} = \text{Valid}$
	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and $\text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) = -1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} \geq 1650 \text{ ft}_{(\text{KNOWGROL})}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248} = \text{Valid}$
	if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and $\text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \neq -1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} > 1650 \text{ ft}_{(\text{KNOWGROL})}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248} = \text{Valid}$
if	$\text{Own-Air-Status}_{v.252} \neq \text{On-Ground}$ and $\text{PREV}(\text{Ground-Level}_{f.394}) \neq -1000000 \text{ ft}_{(ZLARGE)}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude}_{v.247} \leq 1650 \text{ ft}_{(\text{KNOWGROL})}$ and $\text{Radio-Altitude-Status}_{v.248} = \text{Valid}$	

Inhibit-Biased-Climb

Parameters: type
Possible Values: Integer
Description: (\downarrow) DETECT.Alt_separation_test
Appears In: Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Noncrossing-Biased-Climb,
 Noncrossing-Biased-Descend, Sense

DEFINITION

Inhibit-Biased-Climb =

{	Up-Separation _{f-425} (normal) + 100ft _(NOZCROSS)	if Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Inhibited and type = normal
	Up-Separation _{f-425} (normal)	if Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Not-Inhibited and type = normal
	Up-Separation _{f-425} (low-firm) + 100ft _(NOZCROSS)	if Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Inhibited and type = low-firm
	Up-Separation _{f-425} (low-firm)	if Climb-Inhibit _{s-243} in state Not-Inhibited and type = low-firm

Low-Firm-Separation

Parameters: Direction, Model-Type

Possible Values: Integer

Description: VRAC = Vertical climb advisory to model
 VRAD = Vertical descend advisory to model
 TRTLIM = True tau limit
 TAULIM = Modified tau limit
 TV = Pilot response time
 ZPOWN = Own projected altitude
 ZPINT = Intruder projected altitude
 ZCLM1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZCLM2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZDES1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZDES2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZINTC1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZINTC2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZINTD1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZINTD2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZMPCLM = Projected separation for climb
 ZMPDES = Projected separation for descend

Appears In: Separation

DEFINITION

Let:

$TRTLIM = \text{Min} (\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f_{423}}, \text{XTVPETBLX}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}))$

$TAULIM = \text{Max} (10 s_{(MINTAUM)}, \text{Min} (\text{Modified-Tau-Uncapped}_{f_{402}}, \text{XTVPETBLX}[\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}]))$

REVERSED =

$$\begin{cases} \text{True} & \text{if Reversal}_{s-282} \text{ in stateReversed or Model-Type} = \text{Reversal} \\ \text{False} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

TV =

$$\begin{cases} 2.5s_{(\text{QUIKREAC})} & \text{if REVERSED} = \text{True} \\ 5 s_{(\text{TV1})} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

VRA =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Dont-Descend} & \text{if Direction} = \text{Up and} \\ & [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False and} \\ & (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \text{ in stateInhibited or} \\ & (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \text{ and} \\ & (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{ not in stateOwn-Cross or} \\ & \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))] \\ \text{Climb} & \text{if Direction} = \text{Up and} \\ & [\text{REVERSED} = \text{True and} \\ & \text{not} (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \text{ in stateInhibited or} \\ & (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \text{ and} \\ & (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{ not in stateOwn-Cross or} \\ & \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))] \\ \text{Dont-Climb} & \text{if Direction} = \text{Down and} \\ & [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False and} \\ & (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \text{ and} \\ & \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{ not in stateOwn-Cross})] \\ \text{Descend} & \text{if Direction} = \text{Down and} \\ & \text{not} [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False and} \\ & (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \text{ and} \\ & \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{ not in state Own-Cross})] \end{cases}$$

DELAY =

$$\begin{cases} 2.5s_{(\text{QUIKREAC})} & \text{if Model-Type} \neq \text{Low-Firm and} \\ & (\text{REVERSED} = \text{True or} \\ & (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{ Own-Cross and} \\ & (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \text{ or Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0))) \\ 5 s_{(\text{TV1})} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ZDI =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Max}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner}_{f-404}, \\ \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer}_{f-405}) & \text{if Direction} = \text{Up} \\ \text{Min}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner}_{f-404}, \\ \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer}_{f-405}) & \text{if Direction} = \text{Down} \end{cases}$$

$ZOWN1 = \text{Project-Vertical}_{f_{407}}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}, \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate},$
 $\text{VRA}, \text{DELAY}, \text{TRTLIM})$
 $ZOWN2 = \text{Project-Vertical}_{f_{407}}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}, \text{Own-}$
 $\text{Tracked-Alt-Rate},$
 $\text{VRA}, \text{DELAY}, \text{TAULIM})$
 $ZINT1 = \text{Project-Vertical}_{f_{407}}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}, \text{ZDI}, \text{No-Advisory},$
 $\text{No-Delay}, \text{TRTLIM})$
 $ZINT2 = \text{Project-Vertical}_{f_{407}}(\text{Other-Tracked-Alt},$
 $\text{ZDI}, \text{No-Advisory}, \text{No-Delay}, \text{TAULIM})$

Then:

Low-Firm-Separation =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Climb-Separation}_{f_{383}}(ZOWN1, ZOWN2, ZINT1, ZINT2) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Direction} = \text{Up} \\ \text{Descend-Separation}_{f_{391}}(ZOWN1, ZOWN2, ZINT1, ZINT2) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Direction} = \text{Down} \end{cases}$$

Lowest-Ground

Possible Values: Enumerated

Description: The function returns the lowest sensitivity level commanded by a ground station.

Appears In: Effective-SL

DEFINITION

Min(Mode-S-Ground-Station[i] ▷ Ground-Commanded-SL_{v-299})

Modified-Tau-Capped

Possible Values: Real

Description:

MOPS Ref. DETECT_CONFLICTS.Tau_calculations.

Appears In: Dont-Care-Test, Modified-Tau-Capped, No-Strengthen, Test-VSL-Rate, Threat-Alt-Test, Threat-Range-Test, VMD

DEFINITION

Modified-Tau-Capped₁ = Modified-Tau-Uncapped_{f.402}

Modified-Tau-Capped =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Modified-Tau-Uncapped}_{f.402} & \text{if } \text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} > 10 \text{ ft/s}_{(RDTHR)} \\ \mathbf{Min}(\text{Modified-Tau-Uncapped}_{f.402}, \\ \text{PREV}(\text{Modified-Tau-Capped}_{f.401})) & \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Modified-Tau-Uncapped

Possible Values: Real

References: (↑) Range Test (2.30.2), (↑) Section 2.30.3 (tau = 0 if CPA undefined), (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Tau_calculation.

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation, Modified-Tau-Capped, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

DEFINITION

$$\text{Let: TAU} = \frac{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} - \frac{\text{DMODTBL}^2}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434}}}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435}}$$

Then:

Modified-Tau-Uncapped =

$$\begin{cases} 0_{S_{(\text{MINTAU})}} & \text{if } \text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} \leq \frac{\text{DMODTBL}^2}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434}} \\ -\text{TAU} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Abbreviations:

DMODTBL

Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold[Conflict-SL_{f.385}]

Old-Rate

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Test-VSL-Rate

DEFINITION

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 2000 & \text{if RA-Strength}_{s-277} \text{ in stateVSL-2000fpm} \\ 1000 & \text{if RA-Strength}_{s-277} \text{ in stateVSL-1000fpm} \\ 500 & \text{if RA-Strength}_{s-277} \text{ in stateVSL-500fpm} \\ 0 & \text{if RA-Strength}_{s-277} \text{ in stateVSL-0fpm} \end{array} \right.$$

Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner

Possible Values: Integer

Description: Return the value of *xxx* as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C applied to the altitude information given for this intruder (the value of N.ZDINR as described in MOPS Version 6)

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Test-VSL-Rate

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer

Possible Values: Integer

Description: Return the value of *xxx* as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C applied to the altitude information given for this intruder (the value of N.ZDOUTR as described in MOPS Version 6)

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Test-VSL-Rate

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Own-Projected-Alt

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Try-VSL-Test

DEFINITION

$\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{437}} + (\text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f_{438}} \cdot \text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f_{423}})$.

Project-Vertical

Parameters: TPROJ,Z,ZD,VRA,DELAY,REVERSED

Possible Values: Integer

Description:

TPROJ = Projected time

Z = altitude

ZD = altitude rate

VRA = vertical resolution advisory

DELAY = pilot response delay

ZDMIN = minimum altitude rate

ZDMAX = maximum altitude rate

ZDGOAL = goal altitude rate

TAIR = time at initial rate

ACCEL = acceleration rate

TUGR = time until goal rate

TESC = time at escape rate

TACC = time to accelerate

TAGR = time at goal rate

ZDACC = acceleration rate achieved

Appears In: Low-Firm-Separation,
Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV,
Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

DEFINITION

Let:

ACCEL =

$$\begin{cases} 11.2 \text{ ft/s}^2_{(RACCEL)} & \text{if REVERSED} = \text{True} \\ 8 \text{ ft/s}^2_{(VACCEL)} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

DIRECTION =

$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if VRA} = \text{Climb or VRA} = \text{Dont-Descend} \\ -1 & \text{if VRA} = \text{Descend or Dont-Climb} \end{cases}$$

Index =

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if VRA = No-Advisory} \\ 1 & \text{if VRA = Climb or VRA = Descend} \\ 2 & \text{if VRA = Dont-Climb or VRA = Dont-Descend} \end{cases}$$

ZDMIN = Min-Alt-Rate(Index)

ZDMAX = Max-Alt-Rate(Index)

ZDGOAL =

$$\begin{cases} ZDMIN & \text{if } (ZD < ZDMIN) \text{ and } (VRA = Climb \text{ or } VRA = Dont-Descend) \\ ZDMAX & \text{if } (ZD > ZDMAX) \text{ and } (VRA = Descend \text{ or } VRA = Dont-Climb) \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

GOALSET =

$$\begin{cases} \text{True} & \text{if } ZDGOAL <> 0 \\ \text{False} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

TUGR = $\frac{\text{Abs}(ZDGOAL-ZD)}{\text{ACCEL}}$

TESC = TPROJ - DELAY

TAIR =

$$\begin{cases} \text{DELAY} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \\ \text{TPROJ} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

TACC =

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{False} \\ \text{TESC} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and } \text{TUGR} > \text{TESC} \\ \text{TUGR} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and } \text{TUGR} \leq \text{TESC} \end{cases}$$

TAGR =

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and } \text{TUGR} > \text{TESC} \\ \text{TESC} - \text{TUGR} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and } \text{TUGR} \leq \text{TESC} \end{cases}$$

ZDACC =

$$\begin{cases} ZD + 0.5 \cdot \text{DIRECTION} \cdot \text{ACCEL} \cdot \text{TACC} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and} \\ & \text{TUGR} > \text{TESC} \\ \frac{ZD+ZDGOAL}{2} & \text{if } \text{GOALSET} = \text{True} \text{ and} \\ & \text{TUGR} \leq \text{TESC} \end{cases}$$

Then:

Project-Vertical =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} Z + ZD \cdot TAIR & \mathbf{if} \ TACC \leq 0 \\ Z + ZD \cdot TAIR + ZDACC \cdot TACC & \mathbf{if} \ TACC > 0 \ \mathbf{and} \\ & \quad (TAGR \leq 0) \\ Z + ZD \cdot TAIR + ADACC \cdot TACC + ZDGOAL \cdot TAGR & \mathbf{if} \ TACC > 0 \ \mathbf{and} \\ & \quad (TAGR > 0) \end{array} \right.$$

Range-At-Co-Alt

Possible Values: Real

Appears In: Threat-Alt-Test

DEFINITION

$\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} + (\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435} \cdot \text{Time-To-Co-Alt}_{f.419})$

Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV

Parameters: Direction, Model-Type

Possible Values: Integer

Description:

VRAC = Vertical climb advisory to model
 VRAD = Vertical descend advisory to model
 TRTLIM = True tau limit
 TAULIM = Modified tau limit
 TV = Pilot response time
 ZPOWN = Own projected altitude
 ZPINT = Intruder projected altitude
 ZCLM1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZCLM2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZDES1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZDES2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZINTC1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZINTC2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZINTD1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZINTD2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZMPCLM = Projected separation for climb
 ZMPDES = Projected separation for descend

Appears In: Separation

DEFINITION

Let:

$TRTLIM = \text{Min} (\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f_{423}}, \text{XTVPETBLX}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}))$

$TAULIM = \text{Max} (10 s_{(MINTAUM)}, \text{Min} (\text{Modified-Tau-Uncapped}_{f_{402}}, \text{XTVPETBLX}[\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}]))$

REVERSED =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{True} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Reversal}_{s-282} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Reversed} \quad \mathbf{or} \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Reversal} \\ \text{False} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

TV =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2.5s_{(QUICKREAC)} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \\ 5 \quad s_{(TV1)} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

VRA =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Dont-Descend} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Up} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Inhibited} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))]] \\ \text{Climb} \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Up} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{not} \quad (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Inhibited} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))]] \\ \text{Dont-Climb} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Down} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross}]] \\ \text{Descend} \quad \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Down} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{not} \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross}]] \end{array} \right.$$

DELAY =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2.5s_{(QUICKREAC)} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Model-Type} \neq \text{Low-Firm} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{or} \quad \text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0))) \\ 5 \quad s_{(TV1)} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

ZPOWN =

Project-Vertical_{f-407}(TRTLIM, Own-Tracked-Alt,
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate, No-Advisory, No-Delay)

ZPINT =
Project-Vertical_{f-407}(TRTLIM, Other-Tracked-Alt,
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate, No-Advisory, No-Delay)

Then:

Low-Firm-Separation =

$$\begin{cases} \text{ZPOWN} - \text{ZPINT} & \mathbf{if} \text{ Direction} = \text{Up} \\ -(\text{ZPOWN} - \text{ZPINT}) & \mathbf{if} \text{ Direction} = \text{Down} \end{cases}$$

Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV

Parameters: Direction, Model-Type

Possible Values: Integer

Description: VRAC = Vertical climb advisory to model
 VRAD = Vertical descend advisory to model
 TRTLIM = True tau limit
 TAULIM = Modified tau limit
 TV = Pilot response time
 ZPOWN = Own projected altitude
 ZPINT = Intruder projected altitude
 ZCLM1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZCLM2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZDES1 = Own projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZDES2 = Own projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZINTC1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and climb
 ZINTC2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and climb
 ZINTD1 = Other projected altitude using true tau and descend
 ZINTD2 = Other projected altitude using modified tau and descend
 ZMPCLM = Projected separation for climb
 ZMPDES = Projected separation for descend

Appears In: Separation

DEFINITION

Let:

$TRTLIM = \text{Min} (\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f_{423}}, \text{XTVPETBLX}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}))$

$TAULIM = \text{Max} (10 s_{(MINTAUM)}, \text{Min} (\text{Modified-Tau-Uncapped}_{f_{402}}, \text{TTVPETBL} [\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v-291}]))$

REVERSED =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{True} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Reversal}_{s-282} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Reversed} \quad \mathbf{or} \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Reversal} \\ \text{False} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

TV =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2.5s_{(QUICKREAC)} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \\ 5 \quad s_{(TV1)} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

VRA =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Dont-Descend} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Up} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Inhibited} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))]] \\ \text{Climb} \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Up} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{not} \quad (\text{Climb-Inhibit}_{s-243} \quad \mathbf{in state} \quad \text{Inhibited} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm})))]] \\ \text{Dont-Climb} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Down} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross}]] \\ \text{Descend} \quad \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Direction} = \text{Down} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{not} \quad [\text{REVERSED} = \text{False} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{Crossing}_{s-280} \quad \mathbf{not in state} \quad \text{Own-Cross}]] \end{array} \right.$$

DELAY =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2.5s_{(QUICKREAC)} \quad \mathbf{if} \quad \text{Model-Type} \neq \text{Low-Firm} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{REVERSED} = \text{True} \quad \mathbf{or} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Crossing}_{s-280} \text{Own-Cross} \quad \mathbf{and} \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{Climb-Strength}_{f-384} > 0 \quad \mathbf{or} \quad \text{Descend-Strength}_{f-392} > 0))) \\ 5 \quad s_{(TV1)} \quad \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

ZOWN1 =

Project-Vertical_{f-407}(Own-Tracked-Alt_{f-437},
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, VRA, DELAY, TRTLIM)

ZOWN2 =

Project-Vertical_{f-407}(Own-Tracked-Alt_{f-437},
Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-438}, VRA, DELAY, TAULIM)

ZINT1 =

{ Project-Vertical_{f-407}(Other-Tracked-Alt_{f-432},
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433},
No-Advisory, No-Delay, TRTLIM) **if** REVERSED = False
Project-Vertical_{f-407}(Other-Tracked-Alt_{f-432},
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer_{f-405},
No-Advisory, No-Delay, TRTLIM) **if** REVERSED = True **and**
(Crossing_{s-280} **in state** Int-Cross **or**
(Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433} = 0 **and**
Other-Relative-Altitude_{f-224} > 0) **or**
(Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433}·
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{f-219} < 0))
Project-Vertical_{f-407}(Other-Tracked-Alt_{f-432},
Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner_{f-404},
No-Advisory, No-Delay, TRTLIM) **if** REVERSED = True **and**
not (Crossing_{s-280} **in state** Int-Cross **or**
(Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433} = 0 **and**
Other-Relative-Altitude_{f-224} > 0)
or
(Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f-433}·
Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{f-219} < 0))

ZINT2 =

{	Project-Vertical _{f-407} (Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432} , Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-433} , No-Advisory, No-Delay, TAULIM)	if REVERSED = False
	Project-Vertical _{f-407} (Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432} , Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Outer _{f-405} , No-Advisory, No-Delay, TAULIM)	if REVERSED = True and (Crossing _{s-280} in state Int-Cross or (Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-433} = 0 and Other-Relative-Altitude _{f-224} > 0) or (Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-433} · Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} < 0))
{	Project-Vertical _{f-407} (Other-Tracked-Alt _{f-432} , Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate-Inner _{f-404} , No-Advisory, No-Delay, TAULIM)	if REVERSED = True and not (Crossing _{s-280} in state Int-Cross or (Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-433} = 0 and Other-Relative-Altitude _{f-224} > 0) or (Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate _{f-433} · Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate _{f-219} < 0))

Then:

Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV =

{	Climb-Separation _{f-383} (ZOWN1, ZOWN2, ZINT1, ZINT2)	if Direction = Up
	Descend-Separation _{f-391} (ZOWN1, ZOWN2, ZINT1, ZINT2)	if Direction = Down

Separation-Second-Choice

Possible Values: Integer Range

Appears In: Dont-Care-Test

DEFINITION

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Up-Separation}_{f-425}(\text{normal}) & \text{if } \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in stateDescend} \\ \text{Down-Separation}_{f-393}(\text{normal}) & \text{if } \text{Sense}_{s-275} \text{ in stateClimb} \end{array} \right.$$

Time-To-Co-Alt

Possible Values: Real

Appears In: Range-At-Co-Alt, Threat-Alt-Test

DEFINITION

Time-To-Co-Alt =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0 s_{(MINTAU)} & \mathbf{if} \\ & \text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f.435} > \\ & 10 \text{ ft/s}_{(RDTHR)} \\ -\frac{\text{Current-Vertical-Separation}_{f.387}}{\text{Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate}_{f.436}} & \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

Track-Status

Possible Values: {Established, Level, New, Oscillating, Unconfirmed, Transition, Trend}

Description: The value of $\text{Track-Status}_{f.420}$ is determined in accordance with the ACAS Sarps described in appendix C.

Appears In: Display-Arrow, Track-Status

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Traffic-Score

Parameters: i
Possible Values: integer
Appears In: No-Waiting-Intruders-With-Priority

DEFINITION

$$\text{Traffic-Score} = \begin{cases} 1200_{(\text{HISCORE})} & \text{if RA} \\ C(i) \cdot 500_{(\text{MEDHISCORE})} - \text{Range} & \text{if TA and Within-Range} \\ C(i) \cdot 400_{(\text{MEDSCORE})} + \frac{\text{Range}}{\text{Range-Rate}} & \text{if TA and not Within-Range and} \\ & \text{Converging} \\ C(i) \cdot 300_{(\text{MEDLOSCORE})} - \text{Range} & \text{if TA and not Within-Range and} \\ & \text{not Converging} \\ C(i) \cdot 100_{(\text{LOSCORE})} - \text{Range} & \text{if PA} \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Abbreviations:

RA

Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] **in state** Threat ▷ Displayed-Advisory ▷ RA

TA

Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] **in state** Threat ▷ Displayed-Advisory ▷ TA
or
Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] **in state** Potential-Threat

PA

Other-Aircraft_{s-441}[i] **in state** Proximate-Traffic

C(i)

C(i) =
$$\begin{cases} 2 & \text{if Altitude-Reporting}_{s-293} \text{ in state Yes} \\ 1 & \text{if Altitude-Reporting}_{s-293} \text{ not in state Yes} \end{cases}$$

Range

Other-Tracked-Range_{f-434}(i)

Range-Rate

Other-Tracked-Range-Rate_{f-435}(i)

Within-Range

Other-Tracked-Range_{f-434}(i) ≤ Potential-Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold

Converging

Other-Tracked-Range-Rate_{f-435}(i) < -10 ft/s_(RDTHRTA)

True-Tau-Capped

Possible Values: Real

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Consider-Increase, Crossing, Dont-Care-Test, Increase-Check, Low-Firm-Separation, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Other-Projected-Alt, Own-Projected-Alt, RA-Strength, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV, Sense, Separation-and-Time-Test, Separation, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Tau-Rising, Test-VSL-Rate, Threat-Alt-Test, True-Tau-Capped, VMD

DEFINITION

$\text{True-Tau-Capped}_1 = \text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f.424}$

True-Tau-Capped =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f.424} & \mathbf{if} \text{ Other-Tracked-Range}_{f.434} > 10 \text{ ft/s}_{(RDTHR)} \\ \mathbf{Min}(\text{True-Tau-Uncapped}_{f.424}, & \\ \text{PREV}(\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f.423})) & \mathbf{Otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

True-Tau-Uncapped

Possible Values: Real

References: (↑) Range Test (2.30.2),
(↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Tau_calculation.

Appears In: Dont-Care-Test, Tau-Rising, True-Tau-Capped

DEFINITION

$$\text{True-Tau-Uncapped} = \text{Max}(0 \text{ } s_{(\text{MINTAU})}, -\frac{\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{\text{f.434}}}{\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{\text{f.435}}})$$

Up-Separation

Parameters: Model-Type

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Climb-Reversal-Preferred, Descend-Reversal-Preferred,
Dont-Care-Test, Inhibit-Biased-Climb,
Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Noncrossing-Biased-Climb,
Noncrossing-Biased-Descend, Separation-Second-Choice

DEFINITION

Up-Separation = Separation_{f-439}(Up, Model-Type)

Vertical-Miss-Distance

Parameters: RELZ, RELZD, TAU1, TAU2, CLIP
Possible Values: integer range
Appears In: Dont-Care-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, VMD

DEFINITION

Let:

$$\text{VMD1} = \text{RELZ} + \text{RELZD} \cdot \text{Min}(\text{CLIP}, \text{TAU1})$$

$$\text{VMD2} = \text{RELZ} + \text{RELZD} \cdot \text{Min}(\text{CLIP}, \text{TAU2})$$

Then:

Vertical-Miss-Distance =

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{VMD1} \cdot \text{VMD2} < 0 \\ \text{Min}(\text{VMD1}, \text{VMD2}) & \text{if } \text{VMD1} \cdot \text{VMD2} \geq 0 \text{ and } \text{VMD1} > 0 \\ \text{Max}(\text{VMD1}, \text{VMD2}) & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(↓) VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION

Vertical-Projection

Parameters: TPROJ,Z,ZD,ZDGOAL,DELAY,DIRECTION
Possible Values: Integer
Appears In: VSL-OK

DEFINITION

Let:

$$TUGR = \frac{|ZDGOAL - ZD|}{8 \text{ ft/s}^2_{(VACCEL)}}$$

$$TESC = TPROJ - DELAY$$

$$TACC = \begin{cases} TESC & \text{if } TUGR > TESC \\ TUGR & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$TAGR = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } TUGR > TESC \\ TESC - TUGR & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$ZDACC = \begin{cases} ZD + 0.5 \cdot \text{DIRECTION} \cdot 8 \text{ ft/s}^2_{(VACCEL)} \cdot TACC & \text{if } TUGR > TESC \\ \frac{ZD + ZDGOAL}{2} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then:

Vertical-Projection =

$$\begin{cases} Z + ZD \cdot DELAY & \text{if } TACC \leq 0 \\ Z + ZD \cdot DELAY + ZDACC \cdot TACC & \text{if } TACC \leq 0 \text{ and } \\ & TAGR \leq 0 \\ Z + ZD \cdot DELAY + ZDACC \cdot TACC + ZDGOAL \cdot TAGR & \text{if } TACC \leq 0 \text{ and } \\ & TAGR > 0 \end{cases}$$

VRC

Parameters: i

Possible Values: { 0, 1, 2 }

Description: This function returns the value of the VRC Mode S message field. Its values have the following meaning:

Value	Meaning
0	No vertical resolution advisory complement sent.
1	Don't descend.
2	Don't climb.

Explanation of value selection criteria: If Other-Aircraft is not in state Threat, then VRC has value 0 (no vertical RA complement). If TCAS has selected a Descend sense RA against the intruder, then VRC is set to 1 (don't descend). Likewise, If TCAS has selected a Climb sense RA against the intruder, then VRC is set to 2 (don't climb).

(↓) Send_initial_intent (p. 6-P57).

Appears In: Resolution-Message

DEFINITION

VRC =

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ not in state Threat} \\ 1 & \text{if Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Threat } \triangleright \text{ Descend} \\ 2 & \text{if Other-Aircraft}_{s-441}[i] \text{ in state Threat } \triangleright \text{ Climb} \end{cases}$$

VSB

Parameters: CVC, VRC

Possible Values: { 0 ... 14 }

Description: (↓) P.PTABLE (Table 3-2).

Appears In: Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message, Resolution-Message

DEFINITION

VSB =

{	0	if	$CVC=0$	and	$VRC=0$
	14	if	$CVC=0$	and	$VRC=1$
	7	if	$CVC=0$	and	$VRC=2$
	11	if	$CVC=1$	and	$VRC=0$
	5	if	$CVC=1$	and	$VRC=1$
	12	if	$CVC=1$	and	$VRC=2$
	13	if	$CVC=2$	and	$VRC=0$
	3	if	$CVC=2$	and	$VRC=1$
10	if	$CVC=2$	and	$VRC=2$	

Other-Projected-Alt

Possible Values: Integer

References: (↓) DETECT_CONFLICTS.Tau_calculation.

Appears In: Catch-Level-Off, Crossing, Increase-Check,
Int-Cross-Next-Cycle, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test,
Try-VSL-Test

DEFINITION

$\text{Other-Tracked-Alt}_{f_{432}} + (\text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f_{433}} \cdot \text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f_{423}})$

Other-Track-Firmness

Possible Values: Integer

Description: Return the value of xx as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C applied to the altitude information given for this intruder (the value of IFIRM (CASFIRM) as described in MOPS Version 6)

References: (↑) Section 2.36.3

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Increase-Check, No-Strengthen, No-Weaken-Negative, No-Weaken, Sense, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Test-VSL-Rate

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Other-Tracked-Alt

Possible Values: Integer

Description: Return the value of xx as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C applied to the altitude information given for this intruder (the value of N.Z as described in MOPS Version 6)

Appears In: 100-Ft-Crossing, Alt-Separation-Test, Crossing, Current-Vertical-Separation, Dont-Care-Test, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Noncrossing-Biased-Climb, Noncrossing-Biased-Descend, Other-Air-Status, Other-Projected-Alt, Other-Relative-Altitude, Relative-Position, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Separation-and-Time-Test, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, Try-VSL-Test, VMD, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate

Possible Values: Integer

Description: Return the value of i as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C applied to the altitude information given for this intruder (the value of N.ZD as described in MOPS Version 6)

References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81)

Appears In: Display-Arrow, Opposite-Rates, Other-Projected-Alt, Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Test-VSL-Rate, Threat-Alt-Test, VMD

DEFINITION

Definition not available.

Other-Tracked-Range

Possible Values: Integer

References: (↓) TRACKING.Position_tracking

Appears In: Intruder-Info, Modified-Tau-Capped,
Modified-Tau-Uncapped, Other-Tracked-Range-Rate,
Other-Tracked-Range, Potential-Threat-Range-Test,
Proximate-Traffic-Condition, Range-At-Co-Alt, Tau-Rising,
Threat-Range-Test, Traffic-Score, True-Tau-Capped,
True-Tau-Uncapped

DEFINITION

Let:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta t &= \text{Range-Report-Time-Stamp}_{v-295} - \text{PREV}(\text{Range-Report-Time-Stamp}_{v-295}) \\ RP &= \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434}) + \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f-435}) \cdot \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

Then:

Other-Tracked-Range =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Max}(RP + 0.4_{(\text{ALFAR})} \cdot (\text{Range}_{v-294} - RP), 0) & \text{if } \text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{True} \\ RP & \text{if } \text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{False} \end{cases}$$

Other-Tracked-Range-Rate

Possible Values: Integer

References: (↑) Optional Displays (2.81),
(↓) TRACKING.Position_tracking

Appears In: Modified-Tau-Uncapped, Other-Tracked-Range-Rate,
Other-Tracked-Range, Potential-Threat-Range-Test,
RA-Strength, Range-At-Co-Alt, Threat-Alt-Test,
Threat-Range-Test, Time-To-Co-Alt, Traffic-Score,
True-Tau-Uncapped

DEFINITION

Let:

$\Delta t = \text{Range-Report-Time-Stamp}_{v-295} - \text{PREV}(\text{Range-Report-Time-Stamp}_{v-295})$

$RP = \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434}) + \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f-435}) \cdot$

Δt

$\text{Calculated-RR} = \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}_{f-435}) + 0.15_{(\text{BETAR})} \cdot \frac{\text{Range}_{v-294} - RP}{\Delta t}$

Then:

Other-Tracked-Range-Rate =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Max}(\text{Calculated-RR}, 0) & \text{if } (\text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{True}) \text{ and} \\ & (\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434} > 0) \\ \text{Calculated-RR} & \text{if } (\text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{True}) \text{ and} \\ & (\text{Other-Tracked-Range}_{f-434} = 0) \\ \text{PREV}(\text{Other-Tracked-Range-Rate}) & \text{if } \text{Other-Range-Valid}_{v-296} = \text{False} \end{array} \right.$$

Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Crossing, Multiaircraft-Bias, Potential-Threat-Alt-Test, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, Time-To-Co-Alt, Try-VSL-Test

DEFINITION

$\text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f.438} - \text{Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f.433}$

Own-Tracked-Alt

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: 100-Ft-Crossing, Alt-Separation-Test, Altitude-Layer, Aural-Alarm-Inhibit, Catch-Level-Off, Climb-Inhibit, Crossing, Current-Vertical-Separation, Descend-Inhibit, Dont-Care-Test, Ground-Level, Increase-Check, Increase-Climb-Inhibit, Int-Cross-Next-Cycle, Low-Firmness-Separation-Test, Noncrossing-Biased-Climb, Noncrossing-Biased-Descend, Other-Relative-Altitude, Own-Projected-Alt, Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate, Own-Tracked-Alt, Potential-Threat-Condition, Proximate-Traffic-Condition, Relative-Position, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, Separation-and-Time-Test, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, Try-VSL-Test, VMD, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

If Barometric-Altimeter-Status_{v-250} = Fine **then:**

Let:

$$\Delta t = t(\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249}) - t(\text{PREV-VAL}(\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249}))$$

$$ZP = \text{PREV}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f-437}) + \text{PREV}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438}) \cdot \Delta t$$

Then:

Own-Tracked-Alt =

$$\begin{cases} ZP + 0.58_{(\text{ALFAO})} \cdot (\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249} - ZP) & \text{if } t \geq t(\text{TCAS-On-Event}) + 1s \\ \text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249} & \text{if } t < t(\text{TCAS-On-Event}) + 1s \end{cases}$$

If Barometric-Altimeter-Status_{v-250} = Coarse **then:**

Return the value of XX as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C given the altitude information for own aircraft (the value of N.Z as described in MOPS Version 6).

Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate

Possible Values: Integer

Appears In: Alt-Separation-Test, Corrective-Climb, Corrective-Descend, Dont-Care-Test, New-Increase-Climb, New-Increase-Descend, Other-Tracked-Relative-Alt-Rate, Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate, Own-Projected-Alt, Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate, Own-Tracked-Alt, Preventive-To-Corrective, Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV, TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test, Threat-Alt-Test, Try-VSL-Test, VMD, VSL-OK

DEFINITION

If Barometric-Altitude-Status_{v-250} = Fine **then:**

Let:

$$\Delta t = t(\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249}) - t(\text{PREV}(\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249}))$$

$$ZP = \text{PREV}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt}_{f-437}) + \text{PREV}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438}) \cdot \Delta t$$

Calculated-AR =

$$\text{PREV}(\text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{f-438}) + 0.25_{(\text{BETAO})} \cdot \frac{\text{Barometric-Altitude}_{v-249} - ZP}{\Delta t}$$

Then:

Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate =

$$\begin{cases} \text{Calculated-AR} & \text{if } t \geq t(\text{TCAS-On-Event}) + 1s \\ \text{Altitude-Rate}_{v-253} & \text{if } t < t(\text{TCAS-On-Event}) + 1s \end{cases}$$

If Barometric-Altitude-Status_{v-250} = Coarse **then:**

Return the value of i as described by the ACAS SARPS in Appendix C given the altitude information for own aircraft (the value of N.ZD as described in MOPS Version 6).

Separation

Parameters: Direction, Model-Type
Possible Values: Integer
Appears In: Down-Separation, Reversal-Provides-More-Separation,
 Up-Separation

DEFINITION

Let:

$\text{TRTLIM} = \text{Min} (\text{True-Tau-Capped}_{f.423}, \text{XTVPETBLX}(\text{Sensitivity-Level}_{v.291}))$

$\text{TV} = \begin{cases} 2.5s_{(\text{QUIKREAC})} & \text{if REVERSED} = \text{True} \\ 5 s_{(\text{TV1})} & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$

Then:

Separation =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Low-Firm-Separation}_{f.397}(\text{Direction}, \text{Model-Type}) \text{ if } \text{Model-Type} = \text{Low-Firm} \\ \text{Reversal-Separation-Less-Than-TV}_{f.411}(\text{Direction}, \text{Model-Type}) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{if } \text{Model-Type} \neq \text{Low-Firm} \text{ and} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{TRTLIM} \leq \text{TV} \\ \text{Reversal-Separation-Greater-Than-TV}_{f.414}(\text{Direction}, \text{Model-Type}) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{if } \text{Model-Type} \neq \text{Low-Firm} \text{ and} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{TRTLIM} > \text{TV} \end{array} \right.$$

VMD

References: (↓) RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION.Increase_check,
 (↓) Increase_proj_check.

Appears In:

DEFINITION

Let:

RELZ = Own-Tracked-Alt_{f.437} - Other-Tracked-Alt_{f.432}

ZDOW =

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Max}(1500 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{CLMRT})}, & \text{if Other-Aircraft}_{\text{s-441}}[i] \text{ in state Climb} \\ \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{\text{f.438}}) & \\ \text{Min}(- 1500 \text{ ft/min}_{(\text{CLMRT})}, & \text{if Other-Aircraft}_{\text{s-441}}[i] \text{ in state Descend} \\ \text{Own-Tracked-Alt-Rate}_{\text{f.438}}) & \end{array} \right.$$

RELZD = ZDOW - Other-Tracked-Alt-Rate_{f.433}

TRTRU = True-Tau-Capped_{f.423}

TAUR = Modified-Tau-Capped_{f.401}

TVPE = XTVPETBLX[Sensitivity-Level_{v.291}]

Then:

VMD = Vertical-Miss-Distance_{f.426}(RELZ, RELZD, TRTRU, TAUR, TVPE)

Other-Aircraft

Possible Values: Not-Tracked, Threat-Not-Tracked, Tracked

Description: *Not-Tracked:* If the surveillance number wasn't updated this cycle, then the track has been dropped by surveillance. If an advisory is being displayed, then a final coordination sequence must be initiated.

Comments: Other-VRC and Other-HRC are always updated together (see input interface).

References: (↓) TRACKING.TRACK_INTRUDERS,
(↓) RECEIVE.Find_threat_file_entry,
(↓) Threat_file_housekeeping

Appears In: CVC, Dont-Care-Test, New-Threat, New-Track, Other-Mode-S-Address, Resolution-Message, Some-Threat-Track-Dropped, Surveillance-Report-Matches, Traffic-Score, VMD, VRC

DEFINITION

Not-Tracked, Threat-Not-Tracked \longrightarrow **Tracked**

<i>started tracking a new aircraft</i>	T
Standby-Condition _{m-348}	F

Tracked \longrightarrow **Not-Tracked**

$t - t(\text{Surveillance-ID}_{v-285}) > .8s$	T	·
Classification in state Threat \triangleright Displayed-Advisory \triangleright RA	F	·
Standby-Condition _{m-348}	·	T

Tracked \longrightarrow **Not-Tracked**

$t > t(\text{Surveillance-ID}_{v-285}) + .8s$	T	·
Classification in state Threat \triangleright Displayed-Advisory \triangleright RA	T	·
Standby-Condition _{m-348}	·	T

Not-Tracked \longrightarrow **Threat-Not-Tracked**

<i>selected to model intruder (event)</i>	T
Standby-Condition _{m-348}	F

Threat-Not-Tracked \longrightarrow **Not-Tracked**

$t(\text{Other-VRC}_{v-289}) - t > 6 s_{(\text{TCATRES})}$	T	.
Standby-Condition _{m-348}	F	T

Performance Monitor

We did not include the performance monitor requirements in our original TCAS specification as the requirements were too vaguely specified by the FAA. Although we did not create a new one for this example specification, we note that it now appears that it would not be difficult to create such a specification from the upper two levels of this intent specification.

Testing Requirements

Several hundred pages of the TCAS MOPS (DO-185) Volume 1 includes detailed testing requirements. We have not bothered to reproduce that information here as this is only an example specification.

Level 4

Physical and Logical Design Representations

This level of an intent specification contains the normal physical and logical design representations with links to the level above.

Human–Computer Interface Design Specification

ARINC-735 describes in detail the Human-Computer Interface Design. We have not bothered to reproduce this material here, but it obviously could be included.

Aircraft Flight Manual

The aircraft flight manual (AFM) or flight manual supplement (AFMS) is essentially what is sometimes called the user manual in software and system engineering. The information here should obviously also be linked to the higher levels. We have included only a few statements that might be included in such a manual along with their links as an example. The links would not be included in the real manual given to the pilots, of course.

The operational procedure to be used when performing evasive maneuvers annunciated on the IVSI is simply: “Keep the needle out of the lights” (↑3.3)

You will be surprised how little displacement is required to provide separation, 300 ft is the average. The command for evasive action will disappear very quickly. The lights on the IVSI will go out and you will hear the message “clear of conflict”(↑3.3). Promptly and smoothly return to your assigned altitude or flight profile (↑3.3, OP.4). Safe use of TCAS depends on you minimizing how far you have deviated from your clearance (↑OP.3).

Since the evasive action required by TCAS to resolve most conflicts is small in distance and duration, most of these maneuvers will be of little consequence to ATC. However, you may wish to notify ATC that a situation occurred requiring you to maneuver based on a TCAS advisory, when time and cockpit work load permit.

A backup source of information on the IVSI appears in the upper left corner of the traffic display. This symbology consists of green arrows for climb and descend advisories, and the international “do not” symbol over white arrows to indicate that vertical speed must be limited either up or down (↑3.ta-display). Refer to the IVSI eyebrow lights to see what the limit is (↑3.ra-display).

Maneuver advisories that might be triggered when intentionally flying close to another aircraft should be inhibited. For example, when parallel visual

approaches are in progress to runways spaced less than 3000 feet apart, select “TA only” on the transponder mode switch (↑SC6.4, OP.6, 3.3). This will prevent maneuvering advisories being issued for planned, close separation (↑SC6.1). A traffic advisory may still be issued, which will call your attention to the location of the aircraft on the other approach. The normal operating position for the transponder switch is TA/RA which provides full functioning of both the TCAS and the transponder (↑3.controls).

Software Design Specifications

The requirements for TCAS were originally specified by MITRE using a form of pseudocode that they designed. We have duplicated that pseudocode here without any changes. A design specification that we were writing ourselves would not be in this form. However, we did not feel that preparing a new design specification was necessary as this document is simply an example. We are working on direct code generation from the SpecTRM-RL model in Level-3 so this section may become unnecessary in the future or it might include some information generated by the code generation program that would be helpful in understanding and evaluating the generated code.

Overall Design

The CAS logic loops in a one-second-logic cycle that continues forever. The high-level design is shown below:

LOOP:

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Obtain input from surveillance functions;
Perform aircraft tracking for own aircraft and intruders
Perform threat detection;
REPEAT WHILE (threats remain in Working List);
    IF (this is a terminating threat)
        THEN ;
    ELSE IF (this is a new threat)
        THEN select sense;
        ELSE consider reversal of sense;
    Select advisory;
    IF (multiple threats detected)
        THEN perform multi-aircraft logic;
    IF (this is a continuing threat)
        THEN consider increase in vertical rate;
    Update resolution advisory array;
    IF (threat is TCAS equipped)
        THEN send intent and await reply;
ENDREPEAT;
Generate traffic advisory data;
Display traffic and resolution advisory data;
ENDLOOP ;
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Global Data Structures

This section defines the global data structures, system parameters, and interfaces with the CAS logic. The information contained in these entities is required to be available to all the tasks in the following sections. Additional variables local to an Individual task are defined in the section containing that task.

TCAS maintains several global data structures: These are the Intruder Track File (ITF), the Threat File (TF), the Working List (WL) and the Nonlinear Track File (N). Each structure may be thought of as a linked list of entries, with each entry corresponding to a unique aircraft. Information is retained from cycle to cycle for each structure (except for the Working List, as explained below). The implementation must account for means, transparent to the logic, of accessing and organizing the data in these structures. An example would be pointer variables to select the entry in one structure corresponding to the aircraft represented in a given entry in another structure. Also, the implementation needs a means to loop through all entries in a given structure, as well as to update linkage pointers when entries are created or deleted. The details of these operations are not included here.

Intruder Track File (↓STRUCTURE ITF)

The Intruder Track File (ITF) is the collection of data saved for each intruder under consideration by the CAS logic. The data stored for each intruder includes of identity and cross-reference pointers, equipage capability, position data, threat detection data, path projection data, advisory evaluation data, advisory delay calculation data, traffic advisory data and timer values.

Threat File (↓STRUCTURE TF)

The Threat File (TF) is the collection of data saved for each intruder which satisfies either or both of the following conditions:

- a. Own TCAS has declared the intruder a threat and has generated a resolution advisory.
- b. The Intruder is TCAS-equipped and has generated a resolution advisory against own TCAS.

The information in a threat file entry consists of the threat's identity, own choice of resolution advisory, indices to own and the threat's advisories and timer information.

Working List (↓STRUCTURE WL)

The Working List (WL) is a temporary list of those intruders for which resolution advisories and Threat File entries need to be updated. It is cleared of all entries at the beginning of each cycle. Entries are created in the DETECT-CONFLICTS task (Page 506). The entries are used in RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION (Page 523).

A significant consideration in the maintenance of the Working List is the ordering of its entries. The WL-STATUS field governs the placement of each new entry. Those that have been terminated as threats must precede new threats, which in turn precede continuing threats. This ordering allows the RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION task (Page 523) to properly handle multi-aircraft situations. The implementation must insert new WL entries in the specified order.

Nonlinear Track File (↓STRUCTURE N)

The Nonlinear Track File (N) is the collection of data stored for each aircraft tracked by Mode C reports. An entry is maintained for each Mode C intruder. Another entry is maintained for own aircraft's track if Mode C data is being used.

The N entry contains data retaining Mode C bin-crossing time, Mode C reports, estimates of rate uncertainty, the character or trend of the report sequence, the confidence (firmness) of the tracked rate and various timers. Its principal entries are the altitude and altitude rate estimates derived by the tracking algorithm.

TCAS Global Variables (↓STRUCTURE G)

Structure G contains other variables considered global to TCAS—those used by more than one task or retained from cycle to cycle. Unlike structures ITF, TF, WL and N, whose variables are associated with a particular aircraft and which have many entries when many aircraft are under consideration, the Global Structure G contains only one entry. The variables encompass the status of own TCAS, own sensitivity level, own altitude, settable parameters based on sensitivity level, variables associated with coordination, and all display information related to resolution advisories. The cross-reference table to surveillance numbers may be sized according to the size of the track file anticipated. The number given in the pseudocode is an illustration.

Temporary Lists

The Traffic Display Vector (TDV) collects information to be passed to the display for Traffic Advisories.

The Delete-RA list and Delete-intent list are temporary lists created by THREAT-FILE-HOUSEKEEPING to save values of indexes to resolution complements stored in TF, which are used by RESOLUTION-ADVISORY-HOUSEKEEPING.

Interface Buffers

Items pertaining to onboard sources from own aircraft (↓Own Surveillance Buffer (OSB)—STRUCTURE 0) are all considered external to the CAS logic and relate to status information and geometry:

- An input from the Performance Monitor Function of TCAS that decides whether TCAS is operating properly. If it is not, active interrogations and virtually all of CAS logic is disabled.
- An input from a strut or landing gear switch that signals when own aircraft is on the ground. If this switch is not present, the data input must give the value *false*.
- An input from the TCAS Installation that tells the sensitivity level selection logic whether or not display of traffic is permitted while own aircraft is on the ground.
- Manual (pilot) sensitivity level control setting.
- Radar attitude, which must be digital data (or an analog voltage which is then digitized by TCAS hardware), that indicates altitude above ground level. (A limited number of discrete signals corresponding to specified radar altitude trip points is not an acceptable radar altitude input.) The CAS logic samples this data once per cycle, independent of the data update rate of the radar altimeter. A flag denotes whether valid data is contained in the field. This flag should be cleared when the radar altimeter loses lock, including flight above its maximum operating height above ground level.
- Own altitude, which may be input to TCAS in either of two ways: (1) own Mode C altitude, quantized to 100-foot steps or (2) a more finely quantized attitude, from a source such as an Air Data Computer (which should be used if available). Vertical tracking requires that this input be quantized to 10 ft or smaller. A parameter must be set to tell the vertical tracking logic which source to use. It is not intended to dynamically switch from one source to another in flight. Although altitude rate from the Air Data Computer is not normally used, as it may be filtered in a manner not optimum for CAS logic, an input is provided to initialize own altitude rate at system startup. This

is useful if TCAS is turned on or reinitialized in flight. If the attitude rate is not available, the input should be set to zero.

- Own aircraft heading relative to magnetic North. This data is used in calculating the crosslink data to send to a TCAS-1 threat.
- An input from the 'All-tracks Display' switch (if provided) on the TCAS/Mode S Transponder Control Panel. When this switch is activated, a register is set, then is later cleared when the state is read. If an 'All-tracks Display' switch is not provided, this field should be either always set or always cleared within the surveillance logic (to enable or disable proximate traffic display). Each cycle, the value of this input is checked in Process TRAFFIC DISPLAY. If it is set, the time-to-display is initialized to a value of the maximum time for proximate traffic display, nominally 15 seconds.

The Traffic Advisory Logic monitors the duration of the traffic presentation and terminates the display when the time-to-display decreases below zero. Repeated pilot selection of the "All-tracks Display" switch while the proximate traffic presentation is taking place results in extension of the display by a set amount of seconds from the time of switch selection (the amount is set as one of the system parameters).

- Other inputs from external sources such as own aircraft Mode S identifier and indications that own aircraft cannot climb at 1500 or 2500 fpm. These inputs, although used by the TCAS logic, are not defined in the 0 structure because they are implementation dependent: display of traffic while own aircraft is on the ground; new sensitivity level control requirements; Use of different alpha/beta parameter values for tracking own altitude, which permits less restrictive quantization of own altitude input data.

The surveillance function passes data items relating to particular intruders to the CAS logic via the Intruder Surveillance Buffer (ISB) (↓S). Each intruder is represented in the ISB by an entry containing data from the current cycle:

- Flags indicating whether valid range and attitude data are present.
- The surveillance file number generated by the surveillance system. This number will remain the same for the lifetime of the surveillance track on this aircraft. The CAS logic maintains a cross-reference table that gives, for each possible surveillance file number, the number of the Intruder Track File entry for that aircraft; or that is set to zero to indicate that no Intruder Track File entry exists for that surveillance file number. This cross-reference table

provides a convenient link for routinely associating a surveillance report with an Intruder Track File.

- The 24-bit Mode S address of the intruder, if so equipped. This is used for two purposes by the CAS logic. First, the Mode S address is used to identify the intruder to be interrogated in a coordination message to a particular TCAS threat. Second, during coordination, if own TCAS and a threat TCAS select incompatible vertical senses, the aircraft with the higher Mode S address will reverse its sense.
- The coding in the surveillance reply if the Intruder is Mode-S equipped. It is set to a unique value by the surveillance system if the intruder is ATCRBS.
- The value of the intruder's sensitivity level as received in the SL field of the surveillance reply.
- The surveillance data for this cycle.

TCAS message data received through the transponder from external sources:

- Distinct from the Surveillance Reply Data obtained by the TCAS Receiver, is data received by own aircraft transponder (a Mode S transponder is part of the required TCAS 11 equipment). RF messages may come from other TCAS units or Mode S ground sites. Some of this data is addressed to TCAS. It is processed by the RECEIVE Task. Messages may also contain own aircraft information that is input to the transponder and passed to TCAS for processing.
- Messages received from own aircraft transponder are placed into one of two first-in-first-out input queues depending on priority. Coordination messages use the higher priority queue. All other messages use the lower priority queue. The pseudocode does not define a buffer structure for these queues. The implementation must provide a means of accessing and organizing the messages in these queues. The size of the low priority queue shall be consistent with the maximum rate at which low priority (periodic) data can be received from the transponder and the minimum rate at which such data can be processed. The high priority queue and its associated processing shall be capable of handling a minimum of 60 coordination messages per second, of which 10 messages are unique (not duplicates) with no queue overflow and no degradation in system performance. An overflow in the high priority input queue shall be recognized by the performance monitor.

TCAS Pseudocode

This pseudocode was taken verbatim from the Minimum Operational Performance Standards for TCAS II Equipment, Volume II (DO-185).

Tasks MAIN-LOOP and RECEIVE comprise the CAS (Collision Avoidance System) logic. Their input is processed surveillance data and the output is information for cockpit display and reply messages. Task MAIN-LOOP is performed each cycle. Task RECEIVE responds to certain incoming messages addressed to TCAS.

```
TASK MAIN_LOOP;
  PERFORM Initialize;
  REPEAT WHILE (always);
    Set Working List to null;
    <if processing of Mode S messages is not performed on a periodic
    basis per cycle, then ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING must be
    invoked here in TASK MAIN_LOOP to handle any Mode S messages that
    have arrived while own TCAS was in Coordination Lock State.>

    CALL TRACK_OWN;
    IF (interrogation allowed)
      THEN CALL TRACK_INTRUDERS;
        IF (Resolution allowed)
          THEN CALL DETECT_CONFLICTS;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Working List)'
      CALL REOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION;
      Select next Working List entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    CALL traffic_advisory;
    CALL display_advisories;
    CALL housekeeping;

  ENDREPEAT;

END MAIN_LOOP;
```

MAIN LOOP begins by first clearing the threat Working List, and then calls Task TRACK-OWN. This task updates own altitude, derives own altitude rate, determines if own aircraft climb performance is limited and checks for valid radar altitude data. It updates its estimate of ground level, which is the altitude reported by aircraft on the ground, and performs a ground proximity check to determine if own aircraft is at an altitude where aural annunciations should be disabled or resolution advisories to descend should be disabled. It then determines own sensitivity level and altitude layer, sets layer dependent parameters, and decides whether own TCAS may generate surveillance interrogations and traffic resolution advisories. Finally, TRACK OWN sets up the fields for Sensitivity Level Command Update messages, which are subsequently sent to own Mode S transponder.

If own aircraft is permitted to generate surveillance interrogations, MAIN-LOOP then calls the TRACK-INTRUDERS task. This task associates each surveillance report in the Intruder Surveillance Buffer with an Intruder Track File (ITF) entry. For a new Intruder, an ITF entry is created. Range and altitude estimates are updated. For intruders not reporting altitude, only range is updated. The task updates information such as the intruder's CAS equipage and sensitivity level. It decides whether the intruder is climbing, descending or level; and whether the intruder is on the ground, in which case no advisory will be generated. Finally, the task deletes ITF entries dropped by the surveillance function.

After TRACK-INTRUDERS, MAIN-LOOP calls Task DETECT-CONFLICTS. If TCAS may generate resolution advisories, this task tests each altitude reporting intruder in the ITF against the threat detection criteria. In addition, Task DETECT-CONFLICTS incorporates various methods by which altitude-crossing resolution advisories can be deferred or avoided entirely.

The next task called by MAIN-LOOP is RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION. This task is called to process each threat declared by DETECT-CONFLICTS. A sense (CLIMB or DESCEND) is selected for each new threat, and a resolution advisory is selected for new and continuing threats. The task includes provisions for multiple threats. RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION also has the capability to reverse the sense originally selected and to call for an increase in vertical speed in the selected sense (crossing or noncrossing) if it is projected that a minimum attitude separation may not be achieved at the point of closest approach.

Task HOUSEKEEPING is the last task in MAIN-LOOP. Its function is the cleanup of data structures, which may be necessary due to irregular sequences of events.

PROCESS Initialize;

```
Initialize all constants;
Set all data structure to null;
Clear displayed resolution advisory array;
Set cross reference table to null;
initialize sensitivity level and layer to minimum;
initialize display variables referring to previous_cycle RAs;
initialize coordination intent array;
initialize "increase rate RA issued" flag;
initialize "DESCEND RAs inhibited" flag;
initialize flag to disable aural annunciations;
clear coordination lock flag;
initialize coordination message queues and pointers;
clear all bus working areas and number of TCAS targets counter;
start real time clock;
send initial sensitivity level setting to transponder;
input own aircraft info; <altitude, Mode S ID, Max, Airspeed,
    Control panel settings>
```

END Initialize;

References: (↑) Altitude-Layer_{s-261}

The RECEIVE task is called by interrupt in response to certain incoming messages that are received by the Mode S transponder and passed to TCAS for processing. These messages may arrive at any time during the one-second TCAS logic cycle and are of four types; 1) TCAS Resolution Messages (coordination messages) from another TCAS, 2) TCAS Broadcast Interrogation Messages from another TCAS, 3) Sensitivity Level Command Messages from a Mode S ground sensor, and 4) periodic own aircraft data messages.

TASK Receive;

```
<TASK RECEIVE is invoked upon receipt of an incoming message on the
transponder-to-TCAS bus. It determines the message type and then
places the message on one of two queues---one queue handles TCAS
resolution (Intent) messages, and a second queue handles other Mode
S messages (Sensitivity Level Commands, Periodic Aircraft Data, and
TCAS Broadcast Messages). TASK RECEIVE then activates (calls) the
proper routine to process messages on the specific queue. If TCAS is
not in Coordination Lock State, the message will be processed immediately.
However, processing for Resolution (Intent) messages shall be deferred if
the Coordination Lock flag is set. Also, because Mode S messages are
lower in priority than Resolution messages, any Mode S message processing
shall be deferred until completion of the higher priority processing
associated with coordination. Any queued Resolution messages that are
not processed immediately will be processed later when ROUTINE
COORDINATION_UNLOCK is called by the TASK that originally generated
the coordination lock. Queued mode s messages will be processed either
periodically by ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING, or at the beginning
of the next logic cycle, when TASK MAIN_LOOP calls ROUTINE
MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING, if processing of queued mode s messages is
not performed on a periodic basis.>
```

```
IF (TCAS Resolution (Intent) message received;
  THEN put message on Resolution message queue;
      CALL RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;
ELSEIF (Mode S message received)
  THEN put message on Mode S message queue;
      CALL MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;
```

END Receive;

Each time a message is placed in the Resolution Message queue, RESOLUTION-MESSAGE-PROCESSING is called. If a coordination lock state is not currently in effect, the message is processed immediately. RESOLUTION-MESSAGE-PROCESSING will be called to process any queued messages at that time. If the current lock state is threat-initiated (own aircraft is processing a received TCAS Resolution Message), queued messages will be discovered either when the queue is examined within RESOLUTION-MESSAGE-PROCESSING or in COORDINATION-UNLOCK.

Likewise, each time a message is placed in the Mode S Message queue, MODE-S-MESSAGE-PROCESSING is called. If a coordination lock state is not currently in effect, the message is processed immediately. If a coordination lock state is in effect, the routine simply exits. Unlike the high priority messages, however, the low priority messages are not processed when the current lock state ends. If processing of Mode S messages is not performed on a periodic basis each cycle, task MAIN LOOP must examine the Mode S message queue at the beginning of the next logic cycle and call MODE-S-MESSAGE-PROCESSING to process any queued messages at that time.

Note that TCAS enters a coordination lock state when processing messages in the Resolution queue. No lock is used when processing messages in the Mode S Message queue. This means that the processing in RESOLUTION-MESSAGE-PROCESSING cannot be interrupted by any incoming messages, but that the processing in MODE S MESSAGE-PROCESSING can be interrupted by both incoming TCAS Resolution Messages and Mode S messages. The implementation must ensure that MODE-S-MESSAGE-PROCESSING is prevented from processing an incoming Mode S message while the processing of a previous Mode S message is still underway. (Messages within a queue must be processed in the order received). Task RECEIVE plus routines RESOLUTION-MESSAGE-PROCESSING and MODE-S-MESSAGE-PROCESSING must be re-entrant, since all incoming messages go through a minimum amount of handling regardless of current lock state. (At the very least each incoming message is immediately queued, the appropriate processing routine is called, and the coordination lock state is checked.

ROUTINE RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

IF (not in coordination lock state) <NOTE: uninterruptible test and set
instruction>

THEN SET G.COLOCK;

Save Lock time;

REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Resolution message queue);

Get Resolution message from queue;

PERFORM Process_threat_intent;

Select next entry;

ENDREPEAT;

Send Coordination Update message to transponder;

CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

END RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

References: (↑) Coordination-Update_{o-213}

```
PROCESS Process_threat_intent;
```

```
<This process analyzes the intent sent by the threat tcas aircraft>
```

```
CLEAR bad data indicator;
```

```
set up Parity;
```

```
<Use bits 43 through 46 (CVC, VRC) in coordination message from  
threat TCAS as index into parity table.
```

```
Bit positions may be different in the message received from the transponder>;
```

```
IF (Parity not equal to VSB subfield of coordination message from threat TCAS)
```

```
THEN Bad data received;
```

```
ELSE IF (CVC, CHC, VRC, and HRC) are all 0)
```

```
THEN Bad data received;
```

```
ELSE IF (CVC or VRC are 3)
```

```
THEN bad data received;
```

```
IF (Message did not contain bad data)
```

```
THEN PERFORM Find_threat_file_entry;
```

```
Update refresh timer for threat complement'
```

```
PERFORM Process_valid_data;
```

```
END Process_threat_intent;
```

References: (↑) Receive-Valid-Resolution-Message_{m-345}

PROCESS Find_threat_file_entry;

<This process locates the threat file entry corresponding to the ID of the current threat>

CLEAR Success_flag;

REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Threat file AND Success_flag not set);

 IF (entry found with ID matching threat whose msg being processed)

 THEN SET Success_flag;

 Save pointer to Threat File entry;

 ELSE select next entry;

 ENDREPEAT

 iF (Success_flag not set)

 THEN create new Threat File entry;

 Initialize fields and timers;

 Save pointer to Threat File entry;

END Find_threat_file_entry;

References: (↑) Other-Aircraft_{s-441}

```

PROCESS Process_valid_data;
  <This process performed upon successful receipt of data from transponder>

  IF (message contains vertical complement to cancel)
    THEN CLEAR vertical complement index in Threat file;
         CALL DELETE_INTENT IN (P.VMAPINTENT(CVC));

  IF (message contains horizontal complement to cancel)
    THEN CLEAR horizontal complement index in threat file;
         Save 2 low order bits of CHC subfield in L2BCHC;
         CALL DELETE_INTENT IN (P.VMAPINTENT(L2BCHC));

  IF (message contains vertical complement to add)
    THEN If (index in threat file does not already indicate desired value)
         THEN enter complement value in index in threat file;
              SET indicated complement in intent array;

  IF (message contains horizontal complement to add)
    THEN Save 2 low order bits of HRC subfield in L2BHRC;
         IF (index in threat file does not already indicate desired value)
           THEN enter complement value in index in threat file;
                SET indicated complement in intent array;

END process_valid_data;

```

References: (↑) Other-VRC_{s-289}, (↑) Other-HRC_{s-290}

```
ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Mode S message queue AND
                  not in coordination lock state AND processing of previous
                  Mode S message complete);
        Get message from queue;
        IF (message is Sensitivity Level Command)
            THEN PERFORM SL_command_processing;
        ELSEIF (message is Periodic Data)
            THEN PERFORM Periodic_data_processing;
        ELSEIF (message is TCAS Broadcast data)
            THEN PERFORM Broadcast_processing;
        Select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

END MODE_S_PROCESSING;
```



```
PROCESS SL_command_processing;

    IF (message indicates cancellation of SLC)
        THEN cancel SL for this site;
    ELSEIF (valid SL code indicated)
        THEN save sensitivity level for this Mode_S site ID;
            Update sensitivity level timer for this site ID;
    OTHERWISE; <no action if no valid code>

END SL_command_processing;
```

References: (↑) Ground-Commanded-SL_{s-299}

PROCESS Periodic_data_processing;

Determine if the data received is own altitude, own Mode S ID,
own aircraft maximum airspeed, or control panel information'

IF (altitude message received)
 THEN IF (fine resolution)
 THEN O.ZADC = fine altitude from message;
 O.TADC = TCLOCK;
 ELSE O.ZROWN = coarse altitude from message;
 O.TROWN = TCLOCK;

IF (own update message received)
 THEN G.IDOWN = own Mode S ID;
 O.MANUAL = pilot-selected sensitivity level from control panel;
 Save maximum airspeed for use by surveillance;
 Save other display control data, control panel data, hardware
 status info for use by display subsystems, surveillance,
 and performance monitoring;

END periodic_data_processing;

References: (↑) Mode-Selector_{s-218}, (↑) Barometric-Altitude_{s-249}, (↑) Altitude-
Rate_{s-253}, (↑) Own-Mode-S-Address_{s-254}

PROCESS Broadcast_processing)

Store the Mode S ID of the reporting TCAS aircraft and the associated time;

<Once per second, at the beginning of the surveillance cycle, compute NTA to be the number of distinct TCAS addresses monitored within the previous 20-second period.>

END broadcast_processing)

```
ROUTINE DELETE_INTENT IN (pointer to intent))

  IF (intent to delete is not null)
    THEN REPEAT WHILE (more Threat File entries AND match not found);
      Search for another Threat File entry with same intent;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (matching entry found)
      THEN; <cannot delete intent that applies to another threat>
      ELSE CLEAR this entry in intent array;

END DELETE_INTENT
```

Tracking

The main TCAS tracking logic is in tasks TRACK-OWN and TRACK-INTRUDERS. The input to these two tasks is the Own Surveillance Buffer and the Intruder Surveillance Buffer (consisting of structures O and S, respectively) to determine the positions and rates of own and intruder aircraft, and to determine the values of thresholds dependent upon altitude. Once these two tasks are completed, TCAS has the necessary information to determine which intruders qualify as threats.

TASK TRACK-OWN;

<This task tracks own altitude, tests radar altitude, selects sensitivity level, turns interrogation and resolution function on or off, and estimates ground level>

```
Save time of new processing cycle;
Save operational status of TCAS;
PERFORM Own_altitude_tracking;
PERFORM Climb-evaluation; <determine if own aircraft can climb>
IF (radar altimeter data flagged as bad)
    THEN increment count of cycles of bad data;
    ELSE PERFORM Radar_Credibility_test;
        Clear or increment count of cycles of bad data;
PERFORM Ground_level_estimation;
PERFORM Ground_proximity_check;
PERFORM Set_index;
PERFORM Set_layer_dependent_parameters;
PERFORM Update_interrogation_mode;
PERFORM Update_advisory_mode;
Set up fields for subsequent SLC Update messages to transponder;
END TRACK-OWN;
```

```

PROCESS Own_altitude_tracking;

  IF (system just initialized)
    THEN clear initialized flag;
    IF (fine quantized altitude available)
      THEN initialize own altitude and rate (if avail.) to input data;
      ELSE CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING <for own altitude data>
        IN (initialization flag, valid-report flag,
           altitude-reporting flag, own report, report time)
        INOUT (Nonlinear Track File Entry, Pointer to structure N);

    ELSE IF (fine quantized altitude data available)
      THEN estimate altitude and rate using smoothing equations;
      ELSE CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING <for own altitude data>
        IN (initialization flag, valid-report flag,
           altitude-reporting flag, own report, report time)
        INOUT (Nonlinear Track File Entry, pointer to structure N);

END Own_altitude_tracking;

```

PROCESS Climb_evaluation;

<To be supplied according to individual aircraft type and various airframe and Flight Management System inputs>

IF (an RA has not yet been displayed)

THEN CLEAR the climb inhibit indicators;

<Once an RA has been displayed to the pilot, the climb inhibit and increase climb inhibit indicators must not be changed from cycle to cycle to prevent RA strength fluctuations.>

IF (own altitude is above aircraft altitude limit specified by ARINC 735 program pins OR performance limit discrete indicates that own aircraft can't climb at 1500 fpm)

THEN SET both climb inhibit indicators;

ELSE IF (performance limit discrete indicates that own aircraft can't climb at 2500 fpm)

THEN indicate that own aircraft can't increase climb;

END Climb_evaluation;

References: (↑) Climb-Inhibit_{s-243}, (↑) Increase-Climb-Inhibit_{s-244}, (↑) Config-Climb-Inhibit_{s-258}, (↑) Altitude-Climb-Inhibit_{s-259}, (↑) Increase-Climb-Inhibit-Discrete_{s-260}

```
PROCESS Radar_credibility_test;
```

```
    Determine credibility of radar altimeter data;  
    Set flag to indicate usability of data;
```

```
END Radar_credibility_test;
```

References: (↑) Validity-Check_{m-377}


```

PROCESS Ground_level_estimation;

    <Estimate ground level using radar altimeter data>

    IF (On-the-ground indication)
        THEN ground-alt = own barometric altitude;
    ELSEIF (radar altimeter has been bad for a long time)
        THEN disable on-the-ground logic;
    ELSEIF (radar altimeter has only been bad for a short time)
        THEN; <keep using Previous estimate for ground level>
    ELSEIF (own was far above ground last cycle)
        THEN IF (radar altitude shows value low enough now)
            THEN ground-alt. = own barometric alt. - radar altitude;
            ELSE;      <ground level unchanged>
    OTHERWISE IF (High enough now)
        THEN indicate own far above ground;
        ELSE ground-alt. = own barometric alt. - radar altitude;

END Ground_level_estimation;

```

References: (↑) Ground-Level_{f-394}

```

PROCESS Ground_Proximity_check;
  IF (own aircraft is well-above ground level)
    THEN CLEAR DESCEND RAs prohibited flag;
         CLEAR flag that disables aural annunciations;
    ELSE determine altitude above ground;
         IF (DESCEND RAs prohibited)
           THEN IF (altitude above ground is above P.NODESHI)
                 THEN CLEAR DESCEND RAs prohibited flag;
                 ELSE; <still below no-descend altitude threshold>
           ELSE IF (altitude above ground is below P.NODESLO)
                 THEN SET DESCEND RAs prohibited flag;
                 ELSE; <still above no-descend altitude threshold>
         IF (aural annunciations are inhibited)
           THEN IF (altitude above ground is above P.ZNO_AURALNI)
                 THEN CLEAR flag that disables aural annunciations;
                 ELSE; <still below no-aurals altitude threshold>
           ELSE IF (altitude above ground is below P.ZNO_AURALLO)
                 THEN SET flag that disables aural annunciations;
                 ELSE; <still above no-aurals altitude threshold>

END Ground_proximity_check;

```

References: (↑) Descend-Inhibit_{s-245}, (↑) Other-Air-Status_{s-297}

```

PROCESS Set_index;

    PERFORM Auto_SL; <Determine SL based on altitude of TCAS aircraft>
    Save Pilot-selected sensitivity level;
    IF (Pilot selected AUTOMATIC mode of operation)
        THEN set Pilot-selected SL to altitude-based SL;
    Initialize level to large integer;
    REPEAT UNTIL (all ground site registers processed);
        IF (ground site does not default to TCAS level selection and its level
            is the lowest level yet seen)
            THEN save that new level;
    ENDREPEAT; <this loop selects lowest Mode S site Sens. Level>
    IF (a ground site has sent a Sensitivity Level Command)
        THEN use the lesser of the ground site SL and pilot-selected SL;
    IF (externally-determined SL is not TA-only (SL=2))
        THEN use the lesser of externally-determined SL and
            altitude-based SL;

END Set_index;

```

References: (↑) Effective-SL_{s-238}

```

PROCESS Auto_SL;

  IF (own aircraft is on the ground)
    THEN IF (traf. display allowed on ground and pilot has not selected
             Standby mode)
      THEN SL = 2;
      ELSE Select Standby mode;
  ELSEIF (own aircraft can't descend AND own aircraft can't climb)
    THEN SL = 2;
  ELSEIF (Old SL was 3 or less AND radar alt. data avail.) <TCAS chooses
          level>
    THEN IF (above altitude threshold for SL 4)
      THEN SL=4;
      ELSE SL=2;
  ELSEIF (Old SL was 4)
    THEN IF (radar shows below altitude threshold for SL 2)
      THEN SL=2;
      ELSEIF (radar shows above altitude threshold for SL 5)
        THEN SL=5;
        ELSEIF (radar altimeter has been bad for long time AND
                barometric altitude above threshold for SL 5)
          THEN SL=5;
  ELSEIF (Old SL was 5)
    THEN IF (below altitude threshold for SL 4 AND radar alt. avail.)
      THEN SL=4;
      ELSEIF (above altitude threshold for SL 6)
        THEN SL=6;
  ELSEIF (Old SL was 6)
    THEN IF (below altitude threshold for SL 5)
      THEN SL=5;
      ELSEIF (above altitude threshold for SL 7)
        THEN SL=7;
  ELSEIF (Old SL was 7)
    THEN IF (below altitude threshold for SL 6)
      THEN SL=6;
  ELSEIF (radar altimeter has been bad for a long time)
    THEN select default SL value;
END Auto_SL;

```

References: (↑) Auto-SL_{s,241}

PROCESS Set_layer_dependent_parameters;

<This process assigns an integer value to G.LAYER between 1 and 4>

IF (G.LAYER EQ 1)

THEN IF (Own tracked altitude GE 1st Upper hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 2;

IF (G.LAYER EQ 2)

THEN IF (Own tracked altitude LE 2nd Lower hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 1;

ELSE IF (Own tracked altitude GE 2nd Upper hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 3;

IF (G.LAYER EQ 3)

THEN IF (Own tracked altitude LE 3rd Lower hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 2;

ELSE IF (Own tracked altitude GE 3rd Upper hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 4;

IF (G.LAYER EQ 4)

THEN IF (Own tracked altitude LE 4th Lower hysteresis bound)
THEN G.LAYER = 3;

Set Positive advisory altitude threshold to appropriate AL array element;
Set Detection altitude threshold to appropriate ZT array element;
Set Required separation assuming no vertical tracking error to
appropriate SF array element;

END Set_layer_dependent_parameters;

References: (↑) Altitude-Layer_{s-261}

```

PROCESS Update_interrogation_mode;

  IF (TCAS operating AND sensitivity level GT 1)
    THEN SET Interrogation_enabled flag;

    ELSE IF (Interrogation-enabled was set AND Resolution-enabled
             was not set)
      THEN CLEAR Interrogation-enabled flag;
        REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);
          <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
            to end. Performance Monitor should recognize
            when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
            seconds and take appropriate action.>
        ENDREPEAT;
        SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test
          and set instruction;
        Save lock time;
        CLEAR pointers from threat file to track file;
        Null the intruder track file;
        CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

    <If Resolution_enabled mode was set, Update_advisory_mode must
      perform cleanup this cycle. Track file will be cleared next cycle.>

END Update_interrogation_mode;

```

PROCESS Update_advisory_mode;

<Determine whether TCAS may generate RAs and TAs>

CLEAR Traffic advisory flag;

IF (TCAS operational)

THEN IF (sensitivity level GE 2)

THEN SET Traffic advisory flag;

IF (sensitivity level EQ 2 AND low-altitude TA option
not in effect)

THEN CLEAR Traffic advisory flag;

IF (external SL GT 2 AND sensitivity level GT 2)

THEN SET Resolution-enabled flag;

IF (TCAS not operational OR sensitivity level LE 2 OR external SL LE 2)

THEN IF (Resolution-enabled was set)

THEN CLEAR Resolution-enabled flag;

REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);

<Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
to end. Performance Monitor should recognize when
TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
seconds and take appropriate action.>

ENDREPEAT;

SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test
and set instruction;

Save lock time;

Add all threats to Working List with status 'Terminate';

REPEAT (for each ITF entry);

Clear waiting-for-intent counter, hit counter,
firmness delay counter;

Clear display code;

Allow subsequent tau to be computed naturally;

Select next ITF entry;

ENDREPEAT;

CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

END Update_advisory_mode;

References: (↑) RA-Inhibit_{m-366}

The main purpose of Task TRACK-INTRUDERS is to generate an intruder's tracked range, range rate, altitude, and altitude and store them in the ITF entry for that intruder. Range and range rate are generated via an alpha-beta tracker using the sequence of Surveillance range reports. Altitude and altitude rate are generated using a nonlinear vertical tracker (VERTICAL-TRACKING).

The first and major portion of TRACK INTRUDERS is a loop on each intruder receiving surveillance data (i.e. a loop on the entries in the Intruder Surveillance Buffer). The remaining portion is a loop on the ITF, where any intruder not receiving a surveillance report is deleted from the ITF. The cycle time is stored in each intruder's record when it is updated. Any intruder whose update time is older is deleted.

```
TASK TRACK_INTRUDERS;
```

```

REPEAT WHILE (more intruders in surveillance buffer);
  IF (no cross-reference for this intruder)
    THEN PERFORM ITF_entry_creation;
    CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
      IN (initialization flag, valid-report flag,
          altitude-reporting flag, own report, report time)
      INOUT (Nonlinear Track File Entry, pointer to structure N);
    REPEAT WHILE (more position reports for this intruder);
      PERFORM Position_tracking; <update range and altitude>
    ENDREPEAT;
  ELSE PERFORM Position_tracking; <update range and altitude>
  IF (aircraft reporting altitude)
    THEN copy data from nonlinear track file;
    <keep track file local to task>
    Clear sense-chosen-despite-bad-firmness indicator;
  ELSE IF (altitude-reporting intruder just became non-altitude
    reporting)
    THEN clear N entry contents and delete N entry;
      IF (an RA is currently displayed for this intruder)
        THEN SET "threat became non-altitude reporting" flag;
      Set traffic code to no-display;
      <Determination of display status will be made in
        Traffic Advisory logic>
    Null the nonlinear track file pointer;
    <int. is non-altitude reporting>

```

```
Update flag indicating altitude-reporting equipage;
PERFORM Set_arrow; <update vertical rate display arrow>
PERFORM On_ground_test;
Update intruder's TCAS equipage and Sensitivity Level;
Select next intruder;
ENDREPEAT;
PERFORM Drop_tracks; <drop tracks not updated by surveillance>

END TRACK INTRUDERS;
```

References: (↑) Altitude-Reporting_{s-293}, (↑) Bearing-Valid_{m-315}, (↑) Other-Aircraft_{s-441}

```
PROCESS ITF_entry_creation;

    Create a track file entry;
    Initialize the fields therein;
    Set hit counter to zero;
    Set firmness delay count to zero;
    Clear display vertical rate arrow;
    Clear delete-intruder flag;
    Allow tau to be computed naturally;
    Clear flags associated with reversal/increase rate logic;
    Clear rising tau counter for nuisance alarm filter;
    Set traffic code to no-display;
    Initialize valid surveillance report indicator;
    Initialize indicators for annunciation of 'clear of conflict',
        'threat has become non-altitude reporting during RA', and 'threat's
        track has been dropped by surveillance during RA';
    Set ITF.LEV to the lowest value that can be used as an index by
        the Traffic Advisory logic;
        <This ensures that ITF.LEV is always defined>

END ITF_entry_creation;
```

```

PROCESS Position_tracking;

    CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
        IN (initialization flag, valid-report flag, altitude-reporting
            flag, own report, report time)
        INOUT (Nonlinear Track File Entry, Pointer to structure N);
    Update time and time difference since last report;
    IF (valid range report received this cycle)
        THEN update range and range-rate estimates using alpha-beta smoothing;
        ELSE coast range using previous rate estimate;
            <range rate unchanged>
    Correct range and range rate when tracked range is less than zero;
    Save range coast flag;
    PERFORM Valid_report_test;

END Position_tracking;

```

References: (↑) Other-Tracked-Range_{f.434}, (↑) Other-Tracked-Range-Rate_{f.435}

```
PROCESS Valid_report_test;
```

```
<This is a 2 out of 3 test to determine if at least 2 valid range
reports have been received within the last 3 cycles. If so, and if the
current report is valid, then declaration of a TCAS-equipped intruder as
a threat can occur. Otherwise, threat declaration will be
deferred pending better surveillance reports.
```

```
IF (past validity sequence is '100', '1011', '110', or '111')
    THEN remove the leading '1'; <Subtract '100'>
        <No need to remove leading '01' if past validity sequence is
        '000', '001', '010', or '011'>
    Left shift sequence one bit; <Multiply by 2>
        <New sequence is '000', '010', '100', or '110'>
    IF (valid range data exists this cycle)
        THEN add '1' to now sequence;
            <Sequence becomes '001', '011', '101', or '111'>
    <If no valid range data exists this cycle, sequence remains '000',
    '010', '100', or '110'>
```

```
END Valid_report_test;
```

References: (↑) Two-Of-Three_{m-376}

PROCESS Set_arrow;

<Determine value to be displayed for vertical rate arrow if intruder later qualifies for traffic or resolution advisory>

IF (aircraft not reporting altitude)

THEN display no arrow;

ELSEIF (no established vertical trend)

<either track newly started, reports are oscillating, or level>

THEN display no arrow;

ELSEIF (there is an established trend)

THEN display an arrow in the direction of the vertical rate;

OTHERWISE; <retain previous value of arrow when tracker unsure of change>

END Set_arrow;

References: (↑) Display-Arrow_{s-226}

```
PROCESS On_ground_test;

    <Determine if intruder's altitude indicates he is on the ground>

    IF (Intruder not reporting altitude)
        THEN intruder not on ground;
        ELSE IF (intruder previously judged to be on ground)
            THEN IF (intruder now high enough above ground estimate)
                THEN declare intruder not on ground;
                ELSE; <still on ground>
            ELSE IF (intruder now near enough to ground estimate)
                THEN declare intruder on ground;
        ELSE; <still not on ground>

END On_ground_test;
```

```

PROCESS Drop_tracks;

  REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);
    <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end.
    Performance Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been
    locked for more than P.TUNLOCK seconds and take
    appropriate action.>
  ENDREPEAT;
  SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test
    and set instruction;
  Save lock time;
  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in track file);
    IF (no surveillance report this cycle for this track)
      THEN find matching threat file entry;
        IF (no matching entry OR own has no Res. Adv. for this threat)
          THEN clear all variables and flags in the Nonlinear
            track file and intruder track file entries and
            delete the entries;
          ELSE flag ITF entry for drop status;
            <after threat file cleared>
            IF (RA currently being displayed for this intruder)
              THEN SET "track dropped" flag;
            Select next ITF entry;
          ENDREPEAT;
        CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

  END Drop_tracks;

```

References: (↑) Some-Threat-Track-Dropped_{m-347}

The nonlinear vertical tracker VERTICAL-TRACKING is called for each altitude-reporting intruder and for own if own is tracking altitude quantized to 100 ft. This routine determines tracked altitude and tracked altitude rate, given the current Mode C altitude report (if it exists).

The altitude reports input to the vertical tracker are quantized in 100-ft increments. They are also received at discrete time intervals (nominally one second).

The vertical tracker not only estimates tracked altitude and tracked altitude rate, but it also evaluates the quality of its estimate (minimum, fair, good, or maximum). It also determines upper and lower bounds on tracked altitude rate, in effect quantifying the uncertainty in tracked rate. These bounds may be used in the detection and advisory selection logic to avoid declaring an intruder a threat and selecting sense when the vertical track is not reliable.

In the following, a *bin* refers to any possible value of an altitude report (quantized to the nearest 100 feet). A *bin crossing* is a change in the successive reports. The *bin-crossing time* is the time between successive bin crossings (in the same direction), e.g., reports of 800, 900, 900, 900, 1000 yields a three-second bin crossing time for the 900-foot bin.

ROUTINE VERTICAL_TRACKING

```
IN (initialization flag, valid-report flag, altitude-reporting flag,  
    altitude report, report time)  
INOUT (Nonlinear Track File Entry, pointer to structure N);
```

```
<Using current and previous altitude reports, determine  
best estimate of intruder's altitude, alt. rate, bounds  
for rate, and our confidence in rate.>
```

```
IF (Intruder is reporting altitude)  
  THEN IF (this is first altitude report)  
    THEN PERFORM Initialize_vertical_tracker;  
    ELSE form altitude prediction;  
    Check credibility of report; <implied acceleration>  
    Clear spurious oscillation flag;  
    IF (report missing or non-credible)  
      THEN treat report as missing;  
      IF (valid report was received previous cycle)  
        THEN save Pre-coast firmness;  
      Decrement firmness;  
      Use projected altitude;
```

```
        ELSE calculate bin difference from last report;
            IF (no transition this time)
                THEN PERFORM No_transition_update;
                PERFORM No_transition_firmmss;
            ELSE PERFORM Transition_update;

Save track update time;
Bin count at current trend cannot exceed 10;
IF ((valid report received) AND (no spurious oscillation))
    THEN save report time;

END VERTICAL_TRACKING;
```

```
PROCESS Initialize_vertical_tracker;

    Obtain an unused Nonlinear track file entry;

    Initialize vertical tracking variables;
    Tracked altitude = report;
    Tracked rate = 0;
    Expected bin cross time = large positive constant;
    Direction indicators = level;
    Rate confidence limits = large pos., neg. constants;
    Firmness = minimum;
    Transition status = 'start';
    Do not delay rate changes due to transition-time-guessed allowance;
    Save start time;

END Initialize_vertical_tracker;
```

```
PROCESS No_transition_update;
```

```
Determine if there has been a long time since a bin cross transition;
```

```
IF (too long since a transition)
```

```
    <false unless 'trend' since TBIN large otherwise>
```

```
    THEN reinitialize to level;
```

```
        Tracked altitude = report;
```

```
        Tracked rate = zero;
```

```
        Expected bin cross time = large positive constant;
```

```
        Transition status = 'longago';
```

```
        Update upper and lower rate limits;
```

```
ELSEIF (too long for current rate estimate)
```

```
    THEN slacken rate estimate;
```

```
        Set tracked altitude to bin boundary between report and  
        expected bin;
```

```
        Reduce count of bins at current rate;
```

```
        Update upper and lower rate limits;
```

```
OTHERWISE
```

```
    IF (transition status = 'guess')
```

```
        THEN decay rate and bin cross time estimates;
```

```
    IF (climbing)
```

```
        THEN tracked altitude = projection with ceiling at report + 50 ft;
```

```
    ELSEIF (descending)
```

```
        THEN tracked altitude = projection with floor at report - 50 ft;
```

```
    IF (transition status = 'longago' or 'guess')
```

```
        THEN update steep and slack rate limits;
```

```
    ELSEIF (transition status = 'trend' AND transition overdue)
```

```
        THEN loosen slack rate limit;
```

```
    ELSEIF (transition status = 'start')
```

```
        THEN tighten steep and slack rate limits;
```

```
END No_transition_update;
```

PROCESS No_transition_firness;

<Update firmness after non-transition report>

```
IF (Transition status = 'oscillation')
  THEN IF (one or more coasts occurred before this report)
    THEN set floor of firmness according to length of oscillating state;
    <Otherwise, if no previous coasts, CASFIRM remains 2>
    IF (oscillation state is old enough)
      THEN firmness = maximum;
ELSEIF (Transition status = 'guess' or 'start')
  THEN IF (time in this bin large enough to rule out steep rate)
    THEN firmness = fair;
  ELSEIF (time in this bin large enough to ensure low rate)
    THEN firmness = good;
  ELSEIF (time in this bin large enough for probable leveloff)
    THEN firmness = maximum;
  IF (Report follows coasts)
    THEN restore firmness to pre-coast value if higher;
ELSEIF (Transition status = 'longago')
  THEN firmness = maximum; <rate level>
OTHERWISE <transition status = 'trend'>
  IF (transition very late)
    THEN increment firmness; <more confident of low rate>
    IF (report follows coasts)
      THEN restore firmness to precast value if higher;
  ELSEIF (transition somewhat late)
    THEN decrement firmness; <less confident of original rate>
  OTHERWISE IF (many reports so far this bin)
    <transition not overdue>
    THEN firmness = larger of 'good' or present level;
  IF (Report follows coasts)
    THEN restore firmness to precast value if higher;
```

END No_transition_firmness;

```

PROCESS Transition_Update;

Save direction of bin change and bin cross time;
Calculate time in previous bin;

IF (transition is in the expected direction)
  THEN compute actual - expected time in bin; <negative if early
        transition>
        Compute predicted number of bin crossings based on last
        estimate of bin crossing time;
  IF (no good estimate exists OR transition significantly early)
    THEN calculate bound on vertical speed estimate;
        expected bin cross time = time in previous bin;
        Initialize bin-count-at-current-trend;
        Tracked rate = 100 ft / time to cross previous bin;
        Tracked alt. = bin boundary + 1/2 sac proj. at new
        tracked rate;
    ELSE update residual;
        IF (residual less than threshold)
          THEN update BLIM, BETA1, bin-count-at-this-rate;
        ELSE alternate update BETA1,
          give credit for 3 bins at current rate;
        Smooth expected bin cross time;
        Tracked rate = 100 ft / new expected bin cross time;
        Tracked altitude = bin boundary + 1/2 sec proj. at new rate;
    PERFORM Transition_firmness;
    Transition status = 'trend';
  ELSE PERFORM Unexpected_transition; <oscillation or level to rate>
  PERFORM Transition_time_and_bin; <determine time of last transition>
  <= now unless coasts>

END Transition_update;

```

```
PROCESS Transition_firmness;

    <Update firmness after transition report>

    IF (Transition status was 'oscillation' OR guess')
        THEN firmness = good;
            Update steep and slack rate limits;
        ELSE PERFORM Transition_set_casfirm;
            <compare observed vs. actual bin cross time>
            PERFORM Transition_set_rate_limits;
            <compute steep, slack rate limits>

    END Transition_firmness;
```

```

PROCESS Transition_set_casfirm;

    <consider ratio of observed to expected time in previous bin>
    IF (ratio very close to 1)
        THEN firmness = maximum;
    ELSEIF (close to 1)
        THEN firmness = good;
    ELSEIF (not far from 1)
        THEN firmness = fair;
    OTHERWISE firmness = minimum;

    <consider observed - expected time in previous bin>
    IF (within quantization limits for perfect tracking) <=.5 sec>
        THEN firmness = maximum;
    ELSEIF (within 1 sec. quantization)
        THEN firmness = larger of 'good' and present value;
    OTHERWISE; <no upward adjustment for time quantization>

    <consider time in last bin>

    IF (large enough to rule out all but low rates)
        THEN firmness = larger of 'good' and present value;
    ELSEIF (large enough to rule out steep rate)
        THEN firmness = larger of 'fair' and present value;
    OTHERWISE;

END Transition_set_casfirm;

```



```

PROCESS Transition_set_rate_limits;

    <Estimate maximum and minimum bounds for vertical rate>

    IF (Firmness is maximum OR difference in expected, observed bincross
        time is small)
        THEN tighten steep, slack rate limits;
    ELSEIF (Ratio of observed to expected bin cross time is less than unity)
        THEN use alternate calculation for rate limits; <early transition>

    OTHERWISE <late transition>
        IF (coast this cycle)

            THEN estimate interval when being in this bin is
                consistent with expectations;
            IF (current time falls within that interval)
                THEN firmness = good;
            ELSE firmness = minimum;
                Slack rate limit = 0;
                Loosen steep rate limit;
            ELSE slack rate limit = 0;
                Loosen steep rate limit;

END Transition_set_rate_limits;

```

PROCESS Unexpected_transition;

<Transition observed with no trend or in different direction than trend>

IF (no trend established OR more than I bin crossed)

THEN firmness = minimum;

Transition status = 'guess';

Tracked rate = modest rate in now direction;

Tracked altitude = bin boundary + 1/2 sac projection at new rate;

Expected bin cross time = 100 ft/ new rate;

Initialize bin-count-at-this-rate, residual;

Slack rate limit = level;

Steep rate limit = large value in now direction;

ELSE <transition is oscillation, direction opposite prov. trans.>

IF (Transition status = 'trend' AND oscil. so soon after
bin cross it may be due only to jitter and trend may
really be continuing)

THEN firmness = minimum; <ignore report, treat as coast>

Loosen slack rate limit;

Set flag to prevent updating ZSAVE and TTRAN
in Transition-time-and-bin;

ELSE tracked altitude = 1/3 way from current to previous bin;

Tracked rate = 0; <treat as true oscillation>

Expected bin cross time = large positive constant;

IF (previous transition also an oscillation)

THEN firmness = excellent;

<well established oscillation>

ELSE firmness = good;

Transition status = 'oscillation';

Initialize start time of oscillation state;

Steep and slack rate limits = zero;

END Unexpected_transition;

```

PROCESS Transition_time_and_bin;

    <determine time of last transition. = present time unless coasts.>

    IF (this transition not judged spurious oscillation)
        <jitter near bin boundary>
        THEN save altitude report;
            Do not delay rate change next cycle due to
                transition-time-guessed allowance;
        IF (no coast last cycle)
            THEN update transition time;
            ELSE increase thresholds to delay rate change next cycle
                due to transition-time-guessed allowance;
                IF (direction agrees with established rate)
                    THEN divide coasted interval equally among bins
                        crossed to estimate last transition time;
                        Time is no earlier than last valid report;
                    ELSE divide coasted interval equally among bins
                        crossed allowing for direction change;
            Update direction indicators;

END Transition_time_and_bin;

```

```
FUNCTION PM;
```

```
  <Determine the sign of the argument>
```

```
  If (argument is positive or zero)
```

```
    THEN PM = +1;
```

```
    ELSE PM = -1;
```

```
END PM;
```

Detection Logic

DETECT-CONFLICTS determines which intruders are predicted to be sufficiently close in range and altitude to require a resolution advisory. The logic loops on each intruder in the Intruder Track File. Using the tracked geometrical data as input, HIT-OR-MISS-TEST is called to perform tests on range and on altitude. If conditions for a threat are passed, the detection logic is said to have declared a hit; the hit flag is set. If either test is not satisfied, an RA is normally not generated against the intruder, and the hit flag is cleared. If both tests are satisfied, TRACK-FIRMNESS-TEST is called. If an altitude-crossing resolution advisory can be avoided or deferred, or the criteria for an latitude-crossing advisory warrant its immediate issuance, or of uncertainties in the intruders's rate (due to firmness or confidence limits) are within tolerance thresholds, the hit flag is set. Otherwise, the hit flag is cleared, as the logic does not declare a hit when unsure of vertical conditions. Then SET-UP-WORKING-LIST is called, which adds all intruders that have been declared hits to the Working List (WL). This list serves as input to the next major portion of the TCAS logic, Task RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION.

At the conclusion of the DETECT-CONFLICTS loop on the Intruder Track File entries, TEST-FOR-MULTIAIRCRAFT-CONFLICT is called to determine whether a multi-aircraft conflict exists.

```
TASK DETECT_CONFLICTS;

    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Intruder Track File);
        IF (threat track marked for drop OR threat became non-altitude
            reporting)
            THEN add track to Working List with status 'Terminate';
        ELSE IF (intruder is reporting altitude)
            THEN PERFORM Set_detection_parameters;
                PERFORM Hit_or_miss_test;
                    <determine which intruders need RAIS>
                PERFORM Set_up_working_list;
                    <add then to Working List>
            Select next ITF entry;
        ENDREPEAT;

    PERFORM Test_for_multi-aircraft_conflict;

END DETECT_CONFLICTS;
```

PROCESS Set detection_parameters;

 Determine larger of own & intruder's sensitivity levels;

 <for unequipped intruder, use own level>

 Set detection parameters for selected sensitivity level;

 Set tau parameters based on intruder equipage and selected sens. level;

END Set_detection_Parameters;

PROCESS Hit_or_miss_test;

<Test for conflict criteria ('hit') >

```
IF (Intruder is on the ground)
  THEN detection test fails;
      Enable firmness delay alarm;
      Clear the waiting-for-intent counter;
      IF (RA issued and hit occurred 2 cycles ago, miss 1 cycle ago)
        THEN SET ITF clear of conflict flag;
      ELSE calculate relative altitude and altitude rate;
          Calculate absolute value of rel. alt. and rate of divergence;
          PERFORM Range_test;
      IF (range divergence)
        THEN vertical miss distance = current relative altitude;
          ELSE CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION;
      IF (range test failed)
        THEN detection test fails;
          IF (RA issued and hit occurred 2 cycles ago,miss 1
            cycle ago)
            THEN SET ITF clear of conflict flag;
          ELSE IF (RA not previously issued) <Range test passed>
            THEN PERFORM Altitude_test;
              IF (Altitude test fails)
                THEN detection test fails;
                  ELSE PERFORM Track_firmness_test;
                <both range & alt. tests passed but detection may still fail if
                bad firmness>
              ELSE detection test passes;
```

<Note: If an RA was previously issued for the current threat, and that threat is still converging, the RA status will be maintained even though own aircraft and the threat aircraft are separated by more than ZTHR feet. The strength of the RA being maintained will be determined in Resolution and Coordination. Later, when the threat begins to diverge in range, the RA will be dropped.>

END Hit_or_miss_test;

References: (↑) Classification_{s-271}, (↑) Some-Threat-Clear-Of-Conflict_{m-346}, (↑) Threat-

Condition_{m-373}


```

PROCESS Range_test;

  IF (Range diverging more than minimal amount)
    THEN set tau's to minimum values;
         Allow tau to be computed with no ceiling next cycle;
         IF (range*range-rate product sufficiently large OR range
            outside incremental protection volume)
           THEN range test fails;
                IF (intruder is not a threat)
                  THEN enable firmness delay alarm;
                       Clear the waiting_for_intent counter;
                ELSE range test passes;
    ELSE IF (Range rate is of small magnitude)
      THEN adjust range rate to show slow convergence;
    PERFORM Tau_calculation;
    IF (modified tau within alarm limit)
      THEN range test passes;
    ELSE IF (range outside incremental protected volume OR
            range*range rate product outside protected area)
      THEN range test fails;
    ELSE range test passes;

  IF (Range test passes AND RA has not yet been issued for this threat
      AND tau has been rising for past 3 scans)
    THEN range test fails;

END Range_test;

```

References: (↑) Threat-Range-Test_{m-374}

```

PROCESS Tau_calculation;

    Calculate two taus, one using a range offset;
    IF (tau ceiling in effect) <set after first pass through this process>
        THEN IF (no-offset tau declining)
            THEN Set rising tau counter to zero;
            ELSE IF (intruder range exceeds P.NAFRANGE miles)
                THEN increment rising tau counter;
            Set two taus to lower of current or previous calculated values;
        ELSE set two taus to current values;
            Set rising tau counter to zero;
        Set two taus to zero if calculated value was negative;
    SET tau ceiling;

END Tau_calculation;

```

References: (↑) Tau-Rising_{m-350}, (↑) Modified-Tau-Uncapped_{f-402}, (↑) True-Tau-Uncapped_{f-424}, (↑) Other-Projected-Alt_{f-430}

```

PROCESS Altitude_test;

  IF (current altitude within alarm volume)
    THEN IF (vertical miss distance within alarm volume)
      THEN altitude test passes;
      ELSE altitude test fails;

    ELSE <large current relative altitude>
      IF (altitude not converging)
        THEN altitude test fails;
        ELSE calculate vert tau and project range to coaltitude;
          IF (vertical tau within alarm volume AND
            (vertical miss distance within alarm volume OR
            (range at coaltitude within prot. offset AND
            time to coaltitude is less than range TAU value)))
            THEN altitude test passes;
            ELSE altitude test fails;

END Altitude_test;

```

References: (↑) Threat-Alt-Test_{m-371}

```
PROCESS Track_firmness_test;
```

```
<Range and alt. tests Passed. Check firmness and delay 'hit' if time permits>
```

```
IF (intruder is TCAS-equipped)
  THEN clear local vertical intent variable;
  IF (a threat file exists for this intruder)
    THEN REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);
      <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to
      end. Performance Monitor should recognize when
      TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK seconds
      and take appropriate action.>
    ENDREPEAT;
    SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set
      instruction;
    Save lock time;
    Copy threat's intent value into a local variable;
    CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
  IF (a vertical intent exists against own aircraft)
    THEN detection test passes;
    ELSE IF (2 out of 3 past range reports are valid)
      THEN IF (tau < threshold for current SL & firmness)
        THEN detection test passes;
          PERFORM Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;
          IF (the detection test still passes)
            THEN PERFORM Alt_separation_test;
          ELSE PERFORM Model_worst_rate_errors,
            <Project own climb & descend and intruder to CPA>
            PERFORM Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;
            <determine if separation is adequate to choose sense>
        IF (detection test passes)
          THEN clear waiting-for-intent counter;
      ELSE IF (tau is less than threshold for current sens. level &
        firmness)
        THEN detection test passes;
          PERFORM Alt_soparation_test;
        ELSE PERFORM Model_worst_rate_errors;
          PERFORM Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;
```

END Track_firmness_test;

References: (↑) Level-Wait-Condition_{m-328}, (↑) Alt-Separation-Test_{m-351}, (↑) Low-Firmness-Separation-Test_{m-359}, (↑) Reply-Invalid-Test_{m-367}, (↑) TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test_{m-370}

```

PROCESS Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;

    IF (no Threat File entry exists) <threat did not yet send intent>
        THEN IF (threat is non-level AND own aircraft is level)
            THEN IF ((own aircraft is more than P.MINSEP above AND
                crossing is projected) OR (own aircraft is more
                than P.MINSEP below AND crossing is projected))
                THEN IF (own TCAS has not deferred its advisory
                    too long)
                    THEN increment waiting counter;
                        detection test fails;

END Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;

```

References: (↑) Level-Wait-Condition_{m-328}, (↑) TCAS-TCAS-Crossing-Test_{m-370}

```

PROCESS Alt_separation_test;

  IF (own aircraft is level AND is separated vertically from the
      intruder by more than P.MAXALDRFF ft)
    THEN CLEAR selected_sense flags;
    CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
      OUT (predicted separation for climb, descend)
  IF (climb separation greater than descend)
    THEN select 'climb' sense;
    ELSEIF (own cannot climb AND climb maneuver not much
            worse than descend)
      THEN select 'climb' sense;
    OTHERWISE select 'descend' sense;
  IF (own aircraft is at least P.MINSEP above threat)
    THEN IF (descend sense has been chosen AND
            climb sense provides at least ALIN ft)
      THEN select climb sense;
  IF (own aircraft is at least P.MINSEP below threat)
    THEN IF (climb sense has been chosen AND
            descend sense provides at least ALIN ft)
      THEN select descend sense;
  IF (a crossing RA would still be selected against an
      intruder that is separated vertically by more than
      P.MAXALTDIFF ft)
    THEN the detection test fails;

END Alt_separation_test;

```

References: (↑) Alt-Separation-Test_{m-351}, (↑) Inhibit-Biased-Climb_{f-396}

```
PROCESS Model_worst_rate_errors;
```

```
<Compare own climb & descend with limits of threat's possible  
altitude over entire range of alt. rate uncertainty. Decide  
if either RA for own suffices vs. worst case threat rate.>
```

```
Set subroutine parameter thresholds;
```

```
Determine altitude for own climb, if capable;
```

```
<model level if own can't climb or already has 'Descend'>
```

```
Determine altitude for own descent;
```

```
<model level if own already has 'Climb'>
```

```
Determine altitude for threat at his largest positive vertical rate;
```

```
Determine altitude for threat at his most negative vertical rate;
```

```
Determine worst-case separation for own climb and descend;
```

```
END Model_worst_rate_errors;
```



```

PROCESS Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;

  IF (neither sense gives adequate separation)
    THEN detection test fails;
         Increment firmness-delay cycle count;
  ELSE detection test passes;
        IF (climb sense gives better separation)
          THEN indicate climb sense OK;
               Save second-choice separation; <for Don't Care>
          ELSE IF (cannot climb but don't descend nearly as
                   good as descend)
                 THEN indicate climb sense OK;
                      Save second-choice separation; <for Don't Care>
        <this forces don't descend. Bias against altitude crossing>
          ELSE indicate descend sense OK;
               Save second-choice separation; <for Don't Care>
        IF ((climb sense selected and intruder is more than
             P.LOWFIRMRZ feet above own aircraft)
            OR (descend sense selected and intruder is more than
             P.LOWFIRMRZ feet below own aircraft))
          THEN detection test fails; <crossings not permitted on low
                                   firmness>
               Increment firmness-delay cycle counter;
               CLEAR Bad firmness OK indicator;
               CLEAR Second-choice separation;

END Evaluate_low_fironess_separation;

```

References: (↑) Low-Firmness-Separation-Test_{m-359}

```

PROCESS Set_up_working_list;

  IF ('hit' declared)
    THEN indicate highest display priority;
      IF (new threat)
        THEN add to Working List with status 'new';
        ELSE add to Working List with status 'continuing';
        Set hit counter to indicate established threat;
      ELSE indicate no display; <may be adjusted by Traffic Adv. logic>
        IF (not 2nd consecutive miss)
          THEN IF (hit 2 cycles ago, miss 1 cycle ago)
            THEN IF (advisory has been displayed at least minimum time)
              THEN add to Working List w/status 'terminate';
              Set hit counter to zero;
            ELSE add to Working List w/status 'continuing';
            Indicate highest display priority;
            CLEAR ITF clear of conflict flag;
            <Don't announce "clear of traffic" yet>
          ELSE add to Working List w/status 'continuing';<keeps RA>
          Set hit counter to show first 'miss';
          Indicate highest display priority;

  END Set_up_working_list;

```

References: (↑) Some-Threat-Clear-Of-Conflict_{m-346}

```
PROCESS Test_for_multiaircraft_conflict;

    CLEAR multiaircraft flag and threat counter;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Working List);
        IF (status is 'now' or 'continuing')
            THEN increment count;
        Select next Working List entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (more than one threat counted)
        THEN SET multiaircraft flag;

END Test_for_multiaircraft_conflict;
```

ROUTINE VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION

IN (Rel. alt., rel. alt. rate, start time, end time, clip time)
OUT (vertical miss distance);

Calculate VMD at end of critical interval using lesser of
clip time or start time;

Calculate VMD at start of critical interval using lesser of
clip time or end time;

IF (signs of two VMD's differ) <altitude cross during critical interval>
THEN return VMD=0;

ELSEIF (own aircraft above throughout interval)
THEN return lesser of two VMD'S;

OTHERWISE return greater of two VMD'S;

END VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION;

References: (↑) Vertical-Miss-Distance_{f-426}

Resolution Advisory Logic

Task RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION determines what resolution advisories should be posted against the intruders designated as threats in the previous task, DETECT-CONFLICTS. For TCAS-equipped intruders, coordination is required to assure compatible maneuvers.

The input to RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION is an entry on the Working List (Structure WL) created by DETECT-CONFLICTS. The Working List consists of threats, as well as intruders whose status as threats is to be terminated this cycle. New threats (intruders requiring an RA for the first time) are identified as are previously established (continuing) threats. In order to process multiple threats in an orderly way, the Working List is sorted so that all terminal threats precede new threats, which precede continuing threats.

Task MAIN-LOOP loops on the Working List and calls RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION for each entry in turn. The logic performs as follows throughout the lifetime of a single threat: On the threat's first cycle (status is new), a Threat File (TF) entry will be created, and a sense (CLIMB or DESCEND) is chosen. If the threat is TCAS-equipped and has chosen a sense versus own, own must choose the complementary sense. If a TCAS threat has not chosen a sense, or if the threat is unequipped, own selects the sense that provides best vertical separation at closest approach. Then a particular resolution advisory in the chosen sense is selected—generally the weakest one that gives adequate separation. The Threat File variables are updated. If the threat is TCAS II or III equipped, own sends a TCAS Resolution Message to the threat. The message contains a Resolution Advisory Complement (DON'T CLIMB or DON'T DESCEND) according to the sense own has just selected. This completes the task for the threat's first cycle with an RA.

On each subsequent cycle, when the threat is a continuing threat, own reevaluates the particular sense and strength of the resolution advisory chosen. The sense may be reversed or the advisory may be strengthened or weakened. Again the Threat File variables are updated. If the threat is equipped, own informs it that an RA is still in effect.

Finally, when the threat is a terminal threat, own deletes the Threat File entry for the intruder (no longer a threat), unless the intruder is equipped and is still sending RA Complements. In that case, the Threat File entry remains until intruder no longer considers own a threat and sends a message removing the RA Complement.

An equipped intruder is normally behaving towards own very much like own is behaving towards it. Typically, each passes the other's range and altitude tests over roughly the same interval of time. The Threat File entry updated in

RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION serves also to store RA Complement received from the Intruder. The Threat File has timers for own last RA refresh and intruder's RA Complement refresh.

TASK RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION

IN (WL entry);

Set up pointers to ITF and TF using Working List pointer entry;

REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);

<Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to and. Performance Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK seconds and take appropriate action.>

ENDREPEAT;

SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;

Save lock time;

IF (threat status = 'terminate')

THEN PERFORM Update_threat_file_Own; <delete TF entry if no threat intent>

CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY; <remove RA unless needed for other threat>

CLEAR flags for reversal/increase logic;

ELSEIF (status = 'new')

THEN Indicate vertical Resolution Advisory about to be chosen;

PERFORM New_threat_file_entry;

PERFORM Select_sense;

OTHERWISE save previous cycle's advisory; <status = 'continuing'>

IF (status is 'now' or 'continuing')

THEN PERFORM Process_new_or_continuing_threat;

IF (threat status = 'terminate' OR display of RA has not been deferred)

THEN Send Coordination Update message to transponder;

IF (own TCAS is operational AND threat is TCAS-equipped)

THEN PERFORM Sond_initial_intent;

CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

IF (own TCAS is operational AND threat is TCAS-equipped)

THEN PERFORM Complete-send-intent;

END RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION;

References: (↑) Coordination-Update_{e_o-213}

```

PROCESS Update_threat_file_own;

  IF (threat status = 'terminate')
    THEN save previous advisory selection;
         Save pointer to own resolution advisory;
         IF (threat still responsible for an advisory complement)
           THEN CLEAR pointers to own RA list;
                Update refresh time for own advisory;
         ELSE Null the ITF Threat File pointer;
                Clear all variables and flags in the threat file
                  entry and delete the entry;
  ELSE IF (advisory selection changed from last cycle)
    THEN save latest advisory selection and time of
           advisory change;
         Save pointers for old and now RA; <args. in call to
           RESOLUTION_UPDATE>
         Update refresh time for own advisory;

END Update_threat_file_own;

```



```

PROCESS New_threat_file_entry;

    <this Process initializes existing or creates new threat file entry>

    IF (intruder is Mode S-equipped)
        THEN Search for threat file entry with same discrete address;
    IF (matching entry not found)
        THEN create new threat file entry;
            Save threat's Mode S ID, if any, in TF entry;
            Set threat intent refresh timer to initial negative value;
                <indicates no intent received>
            Clear all flags and variables;
            Clear advisory bit strings;
                <Cleared bit 4 indicates no advisory present>
    Save TF back pointer to ITF;
    Set own RA change and refresh timers to current time;
    Indicate new threat for display;
    Initialize flags and variables for reversal/increase logic;
    Save TF pointer in ITF;

END New_threat_file_entry;

```

```

PROCESS Select_sense;

  IF (Threat is TCAS equipped AND has sent a vertical complement)
    THEN PERFORM Form_complement; <Select compatible sense>
    ELSEIF (detection test did not select low-firmness sense) <normal case>
      THEN CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
        OUT (predicted separation for climb, descend);
        IF (climb separation greater than descend)
          THEN select 'climb' sense;
        ELSEIF (own cannot climb AND climb maneuver not
          much worse than descend)
          THEN select 'climb' sense;
        OTHERWISE select 'descend' sense;
        IF (own aircraft is at least P.MINSEP above threat)
          THEN IF (descend sense has been chosen AND
            climb sense provides at least ALIM ft)
            THEN select climb sense;
              Store second choice for
                Don't Care test;
          IF (own aircraft is at least P.MINSEP below threat)
            THEN IF (climb sense has been chosen AND
              descend sense provides at least ALIM ft)
              THEN select descend sense;
                Store second choice for
                  Don't Care test;
        ELSEIF (detection selected 'climb' despite low firmness)
          THEN select 'climb' sense;
            Store second choice for Don't Care test;
        OTHERWISE select 'descend' sense; <low-firmness descend OK>
          Store second choice for Don't Care test;
        IF (threat is TCAS equipped)
          THEN PERFORM TCAS_threat_processing;
          ELSE PERFORM Don't_care_test; <see if either sense acceptable>

END Select_sense;

```

References: (↑) Sense_{s-275}, (↑) Noncrossing-Biased-Climb_{m-338}, (↑) Noncrossing-Biased-Descend_{m-339}

```
PROCESS Form_complement;  
  
    Derive own sense from threat's complement;  
    IF (threat told own TCAS not to climb)  
        THEN select descend sense;  
        ELSE select climb sense;  
  
END Form_complement;
```

```
PROCESS TCAS_threat_processing;
```

```
    Indicate "do care" situation; <use selected sense>  
    IF (own Mode S ID is higher value than intruder's)  
        THEN SET flag to defer display of RA;  
            <Potential for incompatible senses exists>  
            Change traffic display status from RA to TA;  
            Save OWNTENT in temporary Threat File storage;  
            CLEAR own RA variables;
```

```
END TCAS_threat_Processing;
```

References: (↑) Displayed-Advisory_{s-274}, (↑) RA-Display-Delay_{m-344}

```

PROCESS Don't_care_test;

  <WL threat = threat whose WL entry is input to task>
  <TF threat = threat examined in loop below>
  <DC = "Don't Care''>

  IF (either sense provides adequate separation)
    THEN SET Don't-care flag for WL threat;
  ELSE CLEAR Don't_care flag for WL threat;
    IF (own Resolution advisories show a Positive in
        second-choice sense)
      THEN calculate own altitude following a leveloff;

      REPEAT WHILE (more entries in threat file AND
                    DC flag for WL threat not set);
        IF (resolution against TF threat shows Positive
            in same sense as second choice for WL threat)
          THEN calc. altitude relative to TF threat
                and time for leveloff;
            <result of 'do care' for WL threat>
            CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION
              IN (rel alt, rel vert rate, start
                 time(WL threat), end time
                 (WL threat), clip time(WL threat));
          IF (sep with leveloff vs. TF threat
              less than that for second choice
              maneuver vs. WL threat)
            THEN SET Don't-care flag for the
                  WL threat;
                <allow second choice sense>
            Select next threat file entry;
          ENDREPEAT;

END Don't_care_test;

```

References: (↑) Climb-Desc.-Inhibit_{m-317}, (↑) Dont-Care-Test_{m-357}

```

PROCESS Process_now_or_continuing_threat;

  IF (status is 'continuing' AND threat is established)
    THEN PERFORM Reversal_check;
  IF (RA display is not deferred)
    THEN PERFORM Soloct_advisory;
    IF (multiple threats this cycle)
      THEN PERFORM multiaircraft_processing;
      ELSE PERFORM Update_threat_file_own;
      CALL RESOLUTION_UPDATE
        IN (OLDPOI, OPTR);
    IF (status is 'continuing' AND threat is established)
      THEN PERFORM Increase_check;
    ELSE update refresh timor for own advisory;

END Process_now_Or_continuing_threat;

```

```

PROCESS Reversal_check;

CLEAR flag to consider an increase rate RA;
IF (intruder is TCAS-equipped)
    THEN IF (own Mods S ID is higher)
        THEN IF (RA display has been deferred)
            THEN set OWNTENT to temporarily-saved RA;
            Increment the deferral cycle counter;
        IF (threat has selected same sense as own)
            THEN PERFORM Form_Complement; <Reverse own sense>
            Indicate that previous intent must be cancelled;
            <Using reversal indication flag>
        IF ((RA display was deferred AND (either own TCAS has waited
            more than P.WTTHR seconds OR threat has sent its intent))
            OR (sense reversal occurred above))
            THEN PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
            CLEAR flag to defer RA display;
        IF (RA display is still deferred)
            THEN change traffic display status from RA to TA;

ELSE IF (P.MIN_RI_TIME sec. or more remain AND range TAU did not
start rising when the threat was more than P.NAFRANGE
miles away)
    THEN IF (no inc. rate RA has been issued
        AND current RA is crossing)
        THEN Calculate int's proj. alt. at CPA using
            ITF.ZDINT;
        PERFORM Reversal_proj_check;
        IF (reversal not selected AND time to CPA
            is not sufficient for reversal against
            threat which may be close in altitude)
            THEN SET flag to consider increase
                rate RA;
        ELSE PERFORM Cross_through_check;

END Reversal_check;

```

References: (↑) Displayed-Advisory_{s-274}

```
PROCESS Set_up_for_advisory;

    CLEAR OWNTENT(5,6,11,12);
    Save new advisory in TF.PERMTEXT;
    Save time of new advisory in ITF.TCMD;
    IF (threat is not TCAS-equipped)
        THEN PERFORM Dont_care_test;

END Set_up_for_advisory;
```



```

PROCESS Reversal_proj_check;

  IF (own and intruder have not yet crossed altitudes AND
      (either they are separated by at least P.AVEVALT ft OR
       at least P.HINRVSTIME seconds remain to CPA))
  THEN IF (intruder causing altitude crossing RA)
        THEN IF (int's proj.alt. at CPA passed own's alt.
                 in RA direction)
              THEN SET ITF reversal flag;
        ELSEIF (own aircraft is causing altitude crossing RA)
              THEN IF (intruder is now projected to cross through
                       own's altitude)
                    THEN CLEAR own causing crossing flag;
                    SET intruder causing crossing flag;
        ELSE IF ((not multi-aircraft situation) OR
                 (intruder is not level AND rates
                  are opposite in sign))
              <Prevent unnecessary reversals in multi-A/C conflicts>
              THEN CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
                    IN (ITF entry)
                    OUT (prod. sep. for current situation);
              IF (pred. sep for cim is better than des)
                    THEN IF (prov. sense was des. AND
                             clm 100' better than des)
                          THEN SET ITF reversal flag;
              ELSEIF (clm. inhibited and des.
                     better than biased climb)
                    THEN IF (prov. sense was clm. AND
                             des 100' better than biased clm)
                          THEN SET ITF reversal flag;
              OTHERWISE IF (prev. sense was clm. AND
                           des 100' better than clm)
                    THEN SET ITF reversal flag;

        OTHERWISE;
        IF (a reversal needs to be considered)
            THEN PERFORM Reversal_modeling;

END Reversal_proj_check;

```

```
PROCESS Reversal_modeling;

  CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
    IN (ITF entry)
    OUT (predicted separation for sense reversal);
  IF (climb previously selected and predicted separation for descend
    is positive)
    THEN second choice is climb;
      Select descend sense;
      PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
  ELSEIF (descend previously selected and predicted separation for climb
    is positive)
    THEN second choice is descend;
      Select climb sense;
      PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
  OTHERWISE CLEAR reversal flag in ITF;

END Reversal_modeling;
```

PROCESS Cross_through_check;

```
IF (encounter is non-altitude crossing)
  THEN IF ((RA is climb sense AND intruder is more than P.CROSSTHR
           ft above) OR (RA is descend sense AND intruder is
           more than P.CROSSTHR ft below))
    THEN CLEAR ITF.INCREASE;
         CLEAR ITF.INC_ENC;
         Initialize time of increase;
         Complement current RA sense;
         SET ITF.REVERSE;
         PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
```

END Cross_through_check;

References: (↑) 100-Ft-Crossing_{m-313}

```

PROCESS Select_advisory;

  IF ((hit counter shows one miss) OR (no time to change maneuver))
    THEN select previous advisory; <which is working well>
  ELSE IF (threat has vertical rate close to level)
    THEN CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;
      IF (current relative altitude outside threshold)
        THEN PERFORM Try_vsl; <select weakest safe
          advisory or positive if nothing else safe>
        ELSE CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;
          IF (VMD outside positive advisory threshold
            OR own has a substantial vertical rate)
            THEN PERFORM Try_vsl;
            ELSE select positive advisory;
      ELSE CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;
        IF (VMD outside positive advisory threshold OR
          own has a substantial vertical rate)
          THEN PERFORM Try_vsl;
          ELSE select positive advisory;
    PERFORM No_weaken_test;
    PERFORM Extreme_altitude_check;

END Select_advisory;

```

References: (↑) RA-Strength_{s-277}, (↑) Try-VSL-Test_{m-375}

```

PROCESS Try_vsl;

  IF (range diverging)
    THEN IF (status is new')
      THEN select negative advisory;
           <Select_advisory has checked that pos. not necessary>
      ELSE save previous advisory; <which is working>
    ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL (2000
      IF (VSL suffices)
        THEN select VSL 2000 fps;
        ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL (1000 fpm);
          IF (VSL suffices)
            THEN select VSL 1000 fps;
            ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL (500 fpm);
              IF (VSL suffices)
                THEN select VSL 500 fps;
                ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL (0 fpm);
                  IF (VSL suffices) <negative
                    in this case>
                    THEN select negative advisory;
                    ELSE select positive advisory;

  END Try_vsl;

```

References: (↑) RA-Strength_{s-277}

```
PROCESS No_weaken_test;
```

```
<Special tests which don't allow an advisory to weaken or strengthen  
from the one previously selected>
```

```
IF (status is not new)  
  THEN IF (reversal situation)  
    THEN use shorter no-weaken time;  
    ELSE use standard no-weaken time;  
  IF (selected advisory is same or stronger)  
    THEN IF (tau shows sufficient time to wait for  
             improved firmness)  
      THEN keep previous advisory;  
      <stronger RA may be overreaction>  
    ELSEIF (Previous advisory was positive) <and is weakening>  
      THEN CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;  
      IF (relative altitude is still inside positive  
          alarm thresh)  
        THEN keep previous advisory;  
        <keep stronger RA displayed until flown clear of conflict>  
      ELSE IF (last advisory not on long enough  
              OR low track firmness)  
        THEN keep previous advisory;  
    OTHERWISE IF (last advisory not on long enough OR low firmness)  
      THEN keep previous advisory;  
  
END No_weaken_test;
```

References: (↑) No-Strengthen_{m-335}, (↑) No-Weaken_{m-337}, (↑) No-Weaken-Negative_{m-362},
(↑) No-Weaken-Positive_{m-363}

```
PROCESS Extreme_altitude_check;

  IF (positive CLIMB selected)
    THEN IF (own aircraft can't climb AND reversal not selected)
      THEN convert advisory to DON'T DESCEND;

  ELSEIF (Positive DESCEND selected)
    THEN IF (altitude above ground is below threshold where
      descent allowed)
      THEN convert advisory to DON'T CLIMB;
        CLEAR ITF reversal flag;
        <Reversal Only announced with Positive DESCEND>

END Extreme_altitude_Check;
```

References: (↑) Extreme-Alt-Check_{m-322}

```
PERFORM Multiaircraft_resolution;
```

```
    PERFORM Multiaircraft_threat_file_update; <create list of old, new advs.>  
    REPEAT WHILE (more advisories to revise);  
        CALL RESOLUTION_UPDATE;    <delete, add new RA's>  
    ENDREPEAT;
```

```
END Multiaircraft_processing;
```

References: (↑) RA-Strength_{s-277}, (↑) Above_{m-314}


```
PROCESS Multiaircraft_resolution;
```

```
CLEAR flags indicating if any aircraft above' or 'below';
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<Above and below refer to sense of resolution, not current altitude.  
Following logic loops through the entire threat file. "TF  
threat' = threat referred to by the TF entry being examined in the  
loop. "Current threat' = threat whose WL entry was the input  
parameter to this task.>
```

```
REPEAT WHILE (more threat file entries);  
  IF (resolution already selected for TF threat)  
    THEN save sense versus TF threat;  
  ELSEIF (TF threat is same threat as current threat)  
    THEN save sense versus current threat;  
  OTHERWISE no further processing for this threat;  
    <haven't selected resolution yet or TF entry due to intent only>  
  IF (sense has been saved)  
    THEN IF (don't_care flag set for TF threat)  
      THEN no further processing for TF threat;  
      <threat is new with no sense commitment>  
      ELSE IF (sense is 'descend')  
          THEN indicate threat 'above';  
      <own committed to descend sense for at least one threat>  
          ELSE indicate threat 'below';  
      <own committed to climb sense for at least one threat>  
    Select next threat file entry;  
ENDREPEAT;
```

```
END Multiaircraft_resolution;
```

References: (↑) Below_{m-316}

PROCESS Multiaircraft_threat_file_update;

<Note: DC = "don't care". See preceding page for other terminology>

Save resolution for current threat;

Number of RA changes to record in TF = 0;

IF (own committed to at least one climb sense and descend sense)

THEN SET positive-to-negative flag;

ELSE CLEAR positive-to-negative flag; <change negatives to positive>

IF (no commitments in either sense) <all DC cases or
intent-only TF entry>

THEN use sense of current threat;

<arbitrary in this case>

ELSE use sense appropriate to threat(s) found;

<commitment in only one sense>

PERFORM Multiaircraft_loop_on_threat_file;

Restore RA for current threat <OWNTENT> to value it had upon entry;

END Multiaircraft_threat_file_update;

```

PROCESS Multiaircraft_loop_on_threat_file;

  REPEAT WHILE (more threats in threat file); <local loop on entire TF>
    IF (advisory is vertical type) <Provision for future horizontal type>
      THEN IF (RA is positive and positive-to-negative flag set OR
        RA is negative/VSL and negative-to-positive indicated)
        THEN change advisory as indicated by flag;
          <change negative to positive and clear vsl's if flag
            cleared, change positive to negative if flag set>
      IF (all threats are to have same sense AND saved sense for
        current threat differs from that for TF threat)
        THEN reverse sense; <can't happen to estab. sense,
          only to new DC tyoe>
      IF ((converted from negative to positive RA) AND
        ((climb sense selected but CLIMB RAs are inhibited)
        OR (descend sense selected but DESCEND RAs are inhibited)))
        THEN convert the positive RA back to negative;
      IF (RA for TF threat now differs from its RA on previous cycle)
        THEN increment number of RA changes to record in
          Threat File;
          Set pointers to old and new RA;
          <compare to Proc. Update_threat_file_Own>
          IF (TF threat is in Working List)
            THEN update its time of advisory change;
      IF (TF throat is in Working List)
        THEN update its time of refresh;
    Select next threat file entry;
  ENDREPEAT;

END Multiaircraft_loop_threat_file;

```

PROCESS Increase_check;

```
IF (current RA is positive CLIMB or DESCEND AND has been displayed for
    at least 2 cycles)
    THEN IF (range TAU did not start rising when the threat was more
        than P.NAFRANGE miles away AND (int. is TCAS-equipped OR
        inc. rate RA should be considered in cross situation OR RA
        is not altitude crossing))
        THEN CLEAR 'within inc. rate RA threshold' flag;
        IF (increase should be considered in crossing enc.)
            THEN CLEAR flag to consider increase rate RA;
            Calculate diff. of own alt. and int proj. alt.
            IF (des RA AND alt.diff <= P.AVEVALT ft)
                THEN SET "in threshold" flag;
            ELSEIF (clm RA AND alt.diff. >= -P.AVEVALT ft)
                THEN SET 'in threshold' flag;
            ELSE PERFORM Increase_proj_check;
        IF (min. sep. over critical interval < threshold)
            THEN IF ((inc. RA issued) OR
                (time to CPA is > P.MIN-RI-TIME))
                THEN IF ((RA sense is descend AND
                    own aircraft alt. < P.ZNO-INCDES ft)
                    OR (RA sense is climb AND inc.
                    climb RAs inhibited))
                    THEN; <No inc. rate RA>
                    ELSE Inc. time = current time;
                    IF (first time for
                        increase)
                        THEN save time of RA;
                    SET ITF.INCREASE,
                        ITF.INC_ENC;
            IF (increase rate RA was issued AND has been displayed for
                at least P.TNOWEAK seconds)
                THEN CLEAR ITF.INCREASE;
                Initialize time of increase;
        ELSE CLEAR ITF.INCREASE; <RA not positive>
        Initialize time of increase;

END Increase_check;
```

References: (↑) Increase-Check_{m-323}, (↑) Consider-Increase_{m-324}, (↑) VMD_{f-440}

```
PROCESS Increase_proj_check;

  IF (tracker firmness is at least at a specified level
      AND Tau LE threshold for this logic for current SL)
    THEN IF (RA is climb sense)
      THEN use larger of own alt.rate or nominal climb rate;
      ELSE (use lesser of own alt.rate or nominal descent rate;
           Calculate relative altitude and altitude rate;
           CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION;
           CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;

END Increase_proj_check;
```

References: (↑) Increase-Check_{m-323}, (↑) Consider-Increase_{m-324}, (↑) VMD_{f-440}

```

PROCESS Send_initial_intent;

    <This Process begins transmission of intent to the threat TCAS.>
    <Form TCAS Resolution Message>

Form complement of own resolution intent;
IF (status is 'terminate,')
    THEN insert complement in deletion field of message;
    ELSE insert complement in addition field of message;
        IF (sense has been reversed)
            THEN cancel previous RA's complement;
Set up parity field in Resolution message;
    <Message bits for VSB subfield are set equal to the Kth entry
    in the parity table to confirm the validity of the RA message.
    (K is the value of message bits 43 through 46 (CVC, VRC)>
Send initial TCAS Resolution (Intent) message to threat;

END Send_initial_intent;

```

References: (↑) Resolution-Message_{o-214}, (↑) CVC_{f-388}, (↑) VRC_{f-428}

PROCESS Complete_send_intent;

<This process completes the transmission of
own's intent to the threat TCAS.>

Wait until surveillance delivers reply or decides no reply
for initial intent message;

IF (coordination reply message not received)

THEN CLEAR SUCCESS flag;

REPEAT UNTIL (Successful msg transfer or too many no-replies)

Send TCAS Resolution (Intent) message to threat;

Wait until surveillance delivers reply or decides no reply;

IF (Coordination reply message is received)

THEN SET SUCCESS flag;

ELSE Increment no-reply counter;

ENDREPEAT;

END Complete_send_intent;

References: (↑) Resolution-Message₀₋₂₁₄

ROUTINE CHECK_PROJECTION

IN (position, threshold, own advisory)

OUT (within-threshold flag);

<set flag if position on unsafe side of threshold>

CLEAR within-threshold flag;

IF (advisory sense is climb')

THEN IF (position is less than threshold)

THEN SET within-threshold flag;

ELSE IF (position is greater than negative of threshold)

THEN SET within_threshold flag;

END CHECK_PROJECTION;

ROUTINE COORDINATION_UNLOCK

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End coordination lock state;  
IF (any messages in Resolution message queue)  
THEN CALL RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;  
     END COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
```

```
ROUTINE DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY
  IN (pointer to Resolution Advisory); <for this threat>

  IF (Resolution Advisory to delete is not null)
    THEN REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Threat File AND match not found);
      Search for another Threat File entry causing this
      Resolution Advisory;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (Matching 2nd entry found)
      THEN; <cannot delete Res. Adv. that applies to another
        threat>
      ELSE CLEAR Subject Res. Advisory;

END DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY;
```

```
ROUTINE MODEL_MANEUVERS
  IN (ITF entry)
  OUT (predicted separation for climb, descend);

  Model with true tau unless it exceeds a parameter value;
  Model with tailchase modified tau as long as it is within limits;
  PERFORM Set_up_maneuvers;
  IF (time permits own to maneuver)
    THEN PERFORM Modeling_calculations;

END MODEL_MANEUVERS;
```

```

PROCESS Set_up_maneuvers;

Use nominal delay ties for non-reversal situations;
IF (reversal situation)
    THEN use shorter delay time;
IF (time to go less than delay)
    THEN CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
        OUT (own predicted alt.);
    CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
        OUT (intruder predicted alt.);
    Calculate difference of own & threat predicted altitudes;
    Indicate modeling calculations not needed;
ELSE select positive maneuvers for climb and descend modeling;
    IF (the modeling logic has not been invoked by the reversal logic)
        THEN IF (own already has a descend sense advisory)
            THEN change climb sense advisory to don't descend;
                <can't give climb>
                Modal quick reaction time; <for subsequent RA>
        IF (own air already has a climb sense advisory)
            THEN change descend sense advisory to don't climb;
                <can't give descend>
                Model quick reaction time;

END Set_up_maneuvers;

```

```

PROCESS Modeling_calculations;

  IF (positive RA chosen for modeling own climb AND
      own aircraft cannot climb AND reversal not selected)
    THEN change own climb to don't descend for modeling;

  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (own position, rate, modeled climb rate, delay, true & mod. tau,
        reversal flag);
  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (own position, rate, modeled descend rate, delay, true & nod. tau,
        reversal flag);
  IF (reversal not selected)
    THEN CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
      IN (int. pos., trackod rate, no adv., no delay, true & mod.
          tau, reversal flag);
    ELSE IF (intruder causing crossing OR int. level and own crossing
            from above OR int. rate & own modeled rate are opposite
            in sign)
      THEN CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
        IN (int.pos., outer rate, no adv., no delay,
            true A mod.tau, reversal flag);
      ELSE CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
        IN (int.pos., inner rate, no adv., no delay,
            true & nod.tau, reversal flag);
      <Intruder rate and own modeled rate are same sign or
      intruder is level and own is crossing from below>

  CALL SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (own & intruder's positions at both tau's for climb and descend)
    OUT (projected separation for climb, descend sense);

END Modeling_calculations;

```

ROUTINE PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (position, rate, advisory, delay, true tau, modified tau,
reversal flag)

OUT (projection at two times);

<calculate vertical separation at two tau values>

CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS

IN (true tau, alt., rate, maneuver, delay, reversal flag)

OUT (own or intruder projected altitude at end of critical interval);

CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS

IN (modified tau, alt., rate, maneuver, delay, reversal flag)

OUT (own or intruder projected altitude at beginning of critical
interval);

END PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL;

ROUTINE PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS

IN (time, altitude, alt. rate, advisory, delay, reversal flag)
OUT (predicted altitude);

Use nominal acceleration if not in reversal situation;

IF (reversal situation)

THEN use P.RACCEL as acceleration;

IF (advisory is not null)

THEN IF (climb sense advisory)

THEN set goal to minimum required rate;

<else goal stays zero indicating required rate already obeyed>

ELSEIF (descend sense advisory)

THEN set goal to maximum required rate;

<else goal stays zero indicating required rate already obeyed>

OTHERWISE;

<else if advisory null, initial rate applies to entire projection>

IF (acceleration required to obey RA)

THEN PERFORM Calculate_acceleration;

Calculate displacement after time at initial rate;

IF (any time accelerating)

THEN calculate additional displacement after acceleration;

IF (any time at goal rate)

THEN calculate additional displacement using goal rate;

END PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS;


```
PROCESS Calculate_acceleration;
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    Calculate Whether goal rate will be achieved by the projected time;  
    Calculate time at initial rate, time to accelerate,  
        rate achieved, and time at goal rate;
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```
END Calculate_acceleration;
```

ROUTINE PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL

IN (projection time, altitude, alt. rate, advisory(goal) rate,
delay, direction(sense))
OUT (predicted altitude);

Calculate time to accelerate from current rate to goal;

Escape time = total time - delay time;

IF (goal rate will not be achieved)

THEN time of acceleration interval = escape time;

Calculate average rate over acceleration period;

Time at goal rate = 0;

ELSE time of acceleration interval = entire time to goal rate;

Calculate average rate over acceleration period;

Time at goal rate = remaining escape time;

Compute projection over delay time;

IF (any time left to accelerate)

THEN add additional displacement during acceleration;

IF (any time at goal rate)

THEN add additional displacement at goal rate;

END PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL;

ROUTINE RESOLUTION_UPDATE

IN (pointer to RA to delete, pointer to RA to add);

 Select Pointer to RA to be deleted;

 CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY

 IN (pointer to advisory);

 Select Pointer to advisory to add;

 IF (pointer non-null)

 THEN SET Specified Resolution Advisory bit;

END RESOLUTION_UPDATE;

References: (↑) Composite-RA_{s-266}, (↑) Climb-VSL_{s-267}, (↑) Descend-VSL_{s-269}

ROUTINE SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (own projected climb at beginning and end of interval,
intruder projected alt. at beginning and end of interval
(if own climb), intruder projected alt. at beginning and
end of interval (if own descent), own projected descent
at beginning and end of interval)

OUT (projected separation with climb sense and descend sense);

Adjust threat projections so they do not go below ground level;
Adjust own descant projections so they do not go below floor
for descent advisories;

Climb separation = smaller of own projected climb - intruder
projected alt. at the two tau values;

Descend separation = smaller of intruder projected alt. - own
projected descent at the two tau values;

END SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL;

ROUTINE VSL_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (rate, ITF entry)

OUT (VSL_suffices flag);

Zero hysteresis term for required separation (ALIM);

Set local copy of intruder's vertical rate;

IF (modeling VSL for new threat)

THEN require extra separation; <nominally 75 ft>

ELSFIF (modeling negative for new threat)

THEN require standard separation;

OTHERWISE <continuing threat>

Determine previous cycle's RA in feet par minute;

IF (previous RA is stronger than RA being modeled)

THEN require extra separation; <as above>

IF (a new threat with sense chosen despite low firmness)

THEN IF (climb sense)

THEN use upper bound of intruder's rate;

ELSE use lower bound of intruder's rate; <desc sense>

CALL VSL_TEST

IN (rate, tau at end of critical interval, modification to
std req'd sep, rate)

OUT (VSL_sufficas flag)

INOUT (ITF entry);

IF (VSL_sufficas is set)

THEN CALL VSL_TEST

IN (rate, tau at beginning of critical interval,
modification to standard req'd separation, rate)

OUT (VSL_sufficas flag)

INOUT (ITF entry);

END VSL_OVER_INTERVAL; <Return VSL_suffices only if both tests passed>

References: (↑) RA-Strength_{s-277}

ROUTINE VSL_TEST

IN (rate, time, horizontal-vertical equivalence factor, rate)

OUT (VSL_suffices flag)

INOUT (ITF entry);

Calculate limit for time;

IF (climb sense selected)

THEN IF (own rate exceeds subject VSL) <i.e. VSL preventive only>

THEN model immediate reduction of own rate to the VSL;

<most dangerous compliant maneuver>

ELSE IF (status is 'continuing')

THEN calculate delay time accounting for time
since advisory;

ELSE use nominal delay time; <status new>

CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL;

<model delay since VSL corrective>

Calculate VMD resulting from projection;

ELSE IF (own rate less than subject VSL) <i.e. VSL preventive only>

THEN model immediate increase of own rate to the VSL;

ELSE IF (status is 'continuing')

THEN calculate delay time accounting for
time since advisory;

ELSE use nominal delay time;

CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL;

Calculate VMD resulting from projection;

CALL CHECK_PROJECTION;

IF (projected VMD is within threshold diminished if appropriate by
horizontal-vertical equivalence factor)

THEN CLEAR VSL_suffices flag;

ELSE SET VSL suffices flag;

END VSL_TEST;

References: (↑) RA-Strength_{s-277}

FUNCTION EVAL

IN (Resolution Advisory)

OUT (value);

<assign a numeric value to an advisory according to strength>

IF (no vertical advisory)

THEN EVAL = 0;

ELSE assign EVAL value shown below;

<positive = a>

<negative = 4>

<VSL 500 = 3>

<VSL 1000 = 2>

<VSL 2000 = 1>

END EVAL;

References: (↑) Climb-Strength_{f-384}, (↑) Descend-Strength_{f-392}

FUNCTION MMINDEX

IN (advisory bit string)

OUT (Max/win index);

MMINDEX = position of first 'I' in input bit string;

<Will be from 1-10>

END MMINDEX;

FUNCTION RAMAP

IN (Resolution Advisory string)
OUT (mapped index);

Return mapped index value associated with input bit string,
as defined in Table 6-3.

END RAMAP;

TASK HOUSEKEEPING;

```
REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);  
  <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end.  
  Performance Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been  
  locked for more than P-TUNLOCK seconds and take  
  appropriate action.>  
ENDREPEAT;
```

```
SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set;  
Save lock time;  
Null the Delete_RA List and Delete_Intent List;  
PERFORM Threat_file_housekeeping;  
PERFORM Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;  
PERFORM Sensitivity_Level_housekeeping;  
Send Coordination Update message to transponder;  
CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
```

END HOUSEKEEPING;

References: (↑) Coordination-Update_{o-213}

```

PROCESS Threat_file_housekeeping;

    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in threat file);
        IF (Threat File entry now contains no RA or complement)
            THEN IF (Intruder Track File entry exists for this threat)
                THEN null the ITF pointer to this threat file;
                Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
            Select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in threat file);
        IF (refresh timer is not negative) <RA issued>
            THEN IF (too long since own advisory was refreshed)
                THEN put pointer to own Res. Adv. on Delete_RA List;
                IF (threat intent not received or was
                    deleted by housekeeping)
                    <lower loop, this PROCESS>
                    THEN null the ITF Threat File pointer;
                    Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
                ELSE null own Resolution Advisory;

            Select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in threat file);
        IF (refresh timer is not negative) <intent received>
            THEN IF (too long since threat's RA Complement was refreshed)
                THEN put pointers to threat's RA Complements on
                    Delete_Intent List;
                IF (own never had RA versus threat or RA
                    removed by housekeeping)
                    <upper loop, this PROCESS>
                    THEN null the ITF Threat File pointer;
                    Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
                ELSE null threat RA Complements;

            Select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;
    PERFORM Threat_file_ITF_Iinkup;

END Threat_file_housekeeping;

```

References: (↑) Other-Aircraft_{s-441}

```
PROCESS Threat_file_ITF_linkup;

  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Intruder Track File);
    IF (intruder is TCAS-equipped AND TF entry is not linked to ITF)
      THEN search for TF entry with same discrete address as in ITF;
        IF (matching entry found)
          THEN save back Pointer to ITF in the TF entry;
            Save Pointer to TF in the ITF entry;
        Select next ITF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

END Threat_file_ITF_linkup;
```

```

PROCESS Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;

    <Process Resolution Advisory and Intent Deletion Lists
      received from previous PROCESS>

    <Delete all RA's not used against current threats>
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Delete_RA List);
        CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY
            <delete if not needed for other threat>
            IN (index to Res. Adv.);
        Select next list entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    <Delete all RA Complementts not used by other threats>
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Delete_intent List);
        CALL DELETE_INTENT
            IN (index to RA complement);
        Select next list entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

END Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;

```

```
PROCESS Sensitivity_level_housekeeping;

    REPEAT UNTIL (processed all site timers);
        IF (site timer not updated recently enough)
            THEN set site's sensitivity level and timer to null;
        ENDREPEAT;

END Sensitivity_level_housekeeping;
```

Traffic Advisory and Display Logic

Task TRAFFIC-ADVISORY is called following task RESOLUTION-AND-COORDINATION in the TCAS high level Task MAIN-LOOP. Traffic-advisory calls traffic-advisory-detection for each intruder in the Intruder Threat File. It determines which intruders should receive traffic advisories. It resembles hit-or-miss-test for resolution advisories, in that it performs a test for each intruder on range and, for altitude-reporting, on altitude. The thresholds, however, are larger (↑Table 2 on Page 68).

```
TASK TRAFFIC_ADVISORY;
```

```
  <Determine which intruders qualify for Traffic Advisories.  
  Determine type. Rank by priority. Pass to display.>
```

```
  Set Traffic Display Vector list to null;
```

```
  IF (Traffic advisory mode is enabled)  
    THEN REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Intruder Track File);  
      PERFORM Traffic_advisory_detection;  
      Select next entry;  
    ENDREPEAT;  
  
    PERFORM Traffic_display;
```

```
END TRAFFIC_ADVISORY;
```

References: (↑) Classification_{s-271}, (↑) Failing-Potential-Threat-Condition_{m-300}


```

PROCESS Traffic_advisory_detection;

  IF (traffic code shows Res. Adv. status)
    <Set when WL entry created in DETECT_CONFLICTS>
    THEN (Set min TA display time); <No change, will be added to TDV>
  ELSEIF (intruder was determined to be on ground)
    THEN set traffic code to no-display;
    Clear the TA display timer;
  OTHERWISE PERFORM Traffic_parameters;
    PERFORM Traffic_range_test;
    IF (traffic range test passed)
      THEN PERFORM Range_hit_processing;
    ELSE IF (intruder has not been displayed long enough)
      THEN decrement traffic display timer;
        IF (track is non-mode C type)
          THEN set traf. code to non-Mode C TA status;
          ELSE set traffic code to Mode C TA status;
        ELSE proximity test required;
    IF (proximity test required)
      THEN PERFORM Proximity_test;
        IF (proximity test passed)
          THEN set traffic code to Proximity Advisory status;
          ELSE set traffic code to no-display;

END Traffic_advisory_detection;

```

References: (↑) Potential-Threat-Condition_{m-340}

```
PROCESS Traffic_parameters;

    Determine larger of own and intruder's sensitivity levels;
        <For unequipped intruder, use own sensitivity level>
    Select values of traffic detection parameters based on sensitive level;
    IF (intruder not reporting altitude)
        THEN (use RA threshold value as TA threshold);
            <TAU threshold is reduced for non-Mode C TAs
            to prevent unnecessary advisories>
    ELSEIF (resolution mode is enabled)
        THEN use relative altitude values in track file;
    OTHERWISE calculate relative altitude, alt. rate;
        Calculate absolute values of rel. alt., rate;
        <Logic to calculate these has not been executed this cycle>

END Traffic_parameters;
```

```

PROCESS Traffic_range_test;

    IF (range is smaller than immediate range threshold)
        THEN declare range test passed;
    ELSEIF (range rate diverging more than small amount)
        THEN IF (range*range rate product exceeds threshold
                OR range exceeds incremental volume)
            THEN declare range test failed;
            ELSE declare range test passed;
    OTHERWISE IF (range rate has very small magnitude)
        THEN set range rate to small negative value;
        <to avoid zero divide>
        Calculate modified tau for traffic advisory detection;
        IF (tau is less than threshold)
            THEN declare range test passed;
            ELSE declare range test failed;

END Traffic_range_test;

```

References: (↑) Potential-Threat-Range-Test_{m-341}

PROCESS Range_hit_processing;

```
IF (track is non-mode C type)
  THEN IF ((no TA previously issued for this track) AND
           (either bearing is unknown or range is coasted this cycle))
    THEN set traffic code to no-display;
    ELSE IF (own aircraft is above non-mode C cutoff altitude)
      THEN IF (intruder has been displayed long enough)
        THEN set traffic code to no-display;
        ELSE set traffic code to non-mode C traffic;
             decrement traffic display timer;
      ELSE set traffic code to non-mode C;
           enforce min. disp. time;
    ELSE PERFORM Traffic_altitude_test;
    IF (traffic altitude test passed)
      THEN set traffic code to Mode C Traffic Advisory;
           Enforce min. disp. time;
      ELSE IF (intruder has not been displayed long enough)
        THEN set traffic code to Mode C Traffic Advisory
             status, and decrement traffic display timer;
        ELSE proximity test required;
```

END Range_hit_processing;

References: (↑) Potential-Threat-Condition_{m-340}

```
PROCESS Traffic_altitude_test;

    IF (absolute value of relative altitude is small)
        THEN declare altitude test Passed;
    ELSEIF (relative altitude rate diverging by sufficient amount)
        THEN declare altitude test failed;
    OTHERWISE calculate altitude tau;
        IF (altitude tau small enough)
            THEN declare altitude test passed;
            ELSE declare altitude test failed;

END Traffic_altitude_test;
```

References: (↑) Potential-Threat-Alt-Test_{m-365}

```

PROCESS Proximity_test;

    IF (range exceeds proximity threshold)
        THEN declare proximity test failed;
    ELSEIF (track is non-mode C type)
        THEN IF (own altitude is above non-mode C cutoff)
            <assumes non-mode-C intruders stay below ceiling allowed by ATC>
            THEN declare proximity test failed;
            ELSE IF ((neither a Traffic nor Proximity Advisory
                has been issued for this track) AND (either
                bearing or range coasted this cycle))
                THEN declare proximity test failed;
                ELSE declare proximity test passed;
    OTHERWISE IF (relative altitude is within threshold)
        THEN declare proximity test passed;
        ELSE declare proximity test failed;

END Proximity_test;

```

References: (↑) Proximate-Traffic-Condition_{m-343}

```

PROCESS Traffic_display;

    CLEAR Display_prox flag;
    IF (Pilot selected proximate traffic display)
        THEN Initialize display countdown timer;
    IF (Display timer has not counted down)
        THEN SET Display_prox flag;
            decrement Proximate traffic display countdown timer;
    REPEAT WHILE (more Intruder Track File entries AND Display_prox flag
        off);
        IF (traffic code high enough) <currently Res. or Traffic Adv. status>
            THEN SET Display_prox flag;
            ELSE select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    REPEAT WHILE (more Intruder Track File entries); <loop through ITF>
        IF (traffic code indicates Proximity test passed AND Display-Prox
            flag is set)
            THEN change traffic code to Display Proximity status;
        PERFORM Traffic_score;
        Select next ITF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    Sort pointers according to priority indicated by Traffic Score field;
    Move sorted pointers with nonzero Traffic Score to Traffic Display
        Vector;

END Traffic_display;

```

References: (↑) Intruder-Info₀₋₂₁₅

```

PROCESS Traffic score;

    Calculate score multiplier according to altitude reporting capability;

    IF (Traffic code is less than desired display threshold) <normally
        display Proximity, Traffic, and Resolution>
        THEN traffic Score field = 0;
    ELSEIF (Traffic code indicates Resolution Advisory)
        THEN assign high score value;
    ELSEIF (Traffic code indicates Traffic Advisory)<includes non-alt.>
        THEN IF (range is less than incremental volume)
            THEN assign medium high score, sorted by range;
            ELSEIF (intruder range is converging)
                THEN assign medium score, sorted by range tau;
                OTHERWISE assign medium low score, sorted by range;
            <altitude reporting intruders get higher score>
    ELSEIF (Traffic code indicates Proximity advisory)
        THEN assign low score, sorted by range;
    OTHERWISE assign zero score;

END Traffic_score;

```


TASK DISPLAY_ADVISORIES;

<This task decides which advisory and rate to display by analyzing the threat file.>

REPEAT WHILE (in coordination lock state);

<Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end.
Performance Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been
locked for more than P.TUNLOCK seconds and take appropriate
action.>

ENDREPEAT;

SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;

Save lock time;

Save previous cycle's strongest climb and descend sense advisories;

CLEAR global new-threat flag, preventive-to-corrective change flag, and
increase-rate-RA-issued flag;

REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Threat File);

IF (own logic has selected a Resolution Advisory for intruder)

THEN IF (advisory has climb sense)

THEN save this advisory if strongest climb
sense so far;

ELSE save this advisory if strongest descend
sense so far;

IF (this threat is new)

THEN indicate at least one new threat this cycle;
CLEAR new threat flag;

Select next Threat File entry;

ENDREPEAT;

PERFORM Sot_up_goal_rate; <determine rate needed to comply with RA>

PERFORM Corrective_preventive_test; <set CORRECTIVE if RA not obeyed>

PERFORM Set_up_global_flags; <set up display-related global flags>

CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

END DISPLAY_ADVISORIES;

```
PROCESS Set_up_goal_rate;
```

```
<This process selects maximum climb/descent rate demanded by Res. Adv.>
```

```
Initialize goal rates so they are always met;
```

```
REPEAT WHILE (more Threat File entries);  
  IF (an RA has been issued against this threat)  
    THEN PERFORM Determne_goal_rate;  
  Select next Threat File entry;  
ENDREPEAT;
```

```
END Set_up_goal_rate;
```

```

PROCESS Determine_goal_rate;

  IF (advisory is climb sense)
    THEN set climb goal to larger of min required by RA, or goal
         calculated for previous threat;
    IF (RA positive this cycle)
      THEN IF (not positive last cycle or any new threat
              this cycle)
        THEN set displayed-model-goal to larger of
             nominal climb rate, current climb rate,
             or displayed-model-goal for 2nd
             threat if any;
      IF (an increase rate RA is called for AND either own
          tracked rate does not now exceed the prescribed
          increase climb rate, or own previously qualified
          for the increase RA)
        THEN SET increase-rate-RA-issued flag;
          IF (first cycle for increase rate)
            THEN SET flags indicating increase
                 rate encounter, corrective RA;
                 Set displayed-model-goal to
                 prescribed increase climb rate;
          ELSE IF (increase rate RA just removed this cycle)
            THEN set displayed-model-goal to max of
                 nominal climb rate or current rate;
          Increase climb goal if necessary;
    ELSE perform corresponding calculations for descend sense;

  END Determine_goal_rate;

```

References: (↑) Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate_{s-219}, (↑) Corrective-Climb_{s-263}, (↑) Corrective-Descend_{s-264}, (↑) New-Increase-Climb_{m-333}, (↑) New-Increase-Descend_{m-334}, (↑) Preventive-To-Corrective_{m-342}, (↑) New-Increase_{m-361}, (↑) Descend-Goal_{f-390}

```

PROCESS Corrective_preventive_test;

IF (both goal rates are zero) <due to Don't Climb A Don't Descend>
  THEN IF (previous climb sense advisory was corrective AND own
    rate has slackened to small value AND (RA has weakened
    in strength OR increase rate RA just ended))
    THEN climb sense advisory is no longer corrective;
    ELSE IF (previous descend sense advisory was corrective
      AND own rate has slackened to small value AND
      (RA has weakened in strength OR increase rate
      RA just ended))
      THEN descend sense advisory is no longer
        corrective;
  IF (climb corrective flag not set AND own is climbing
    at a rate greater than a small value)
    THEN climb sense advisory is corrective and is
      preventive-to-corrective transition;
    ELSE IF (descend corrective flag not set AND own is
      descending at a rate greater than a small value)
      THEN descend sense advisory is corrective and is
        preventive-to-corrective transition;
  ELSE IF previous climb sense advisory was corrective AND own climb rate
    meets/exceeds goal rate AND (RA has weakened OR
    increase rate RA just ended))
    THEN climb sense advisory is no longer corrective;
    ELSE IF (previous descend sense advisory was corrective
      AND own descend rate meets/exceeds goal rate
      AND (RA has weakened OR increase rate RA
      just ended))
      THEN descend sense advisory is no longer corrective;
  IF (climb corrective flag not set AND own climb rate does
    not meet goal rate)
    THEN climb sense advisory is corrective and is
      Preventive-to-corrective transition;
    ELSE IF (descend corrective flag not set AND
      own descend rate does not meet goal rate)
      THEN descend sense advisory is corrective and is
        preventive-to-corrective transition;

```

END Corrective_preventive_test;

References: (↑) Corrective-Climb_{s-263}, (↑) Corrective-Descend_{s-264}, (↑) Climb-RA-Weakened_{m-318}, (↑) Descend-RA-Weakened_{m-320}, (↑) Dont-Climb-Dont-Descend_{m-321}, (↑) Preventive-To-Corrective_{m-342}, (↑) Climb-RA-Strength-Changed_{m-353}, (↑) Climb-RA-Strengthened_{m-354}, (↑) Descend-RA-Strength-Changed_{m-355}, (↑) Descend-RA-Strengthened_{m-356}

```

PROCESS Set_up_global_flags;

CLEAR Global flags to be set up;
IF (a positive advisory is being given which is not corrective)
    THEN SET 'maintain' flag; <G.ZDMODEL contains rate to maintain>
    ELSE IF (no positive RA displayed)
        THEN display-model-goal = 0;
REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Intruder Track File);
    CLEAR Don't-care flag; <as of now, TCAS 'cares'>
    IF (Firmness delay began this cycle)
        THEN indicate at least one firmness delay condition to display;
    IF (no RA is to be displayed)
        THEN CLEAR increase rate encounter flag;
        IF (Mode C threat became non-altitude reporting during RA)
            THEN indicate that announcement is needed;
        ELSEIF (surveillance dropped track on threat during RA)
            THEN indicate that announcement is needed;
        ELSEIF (clear of conflict)
            THEN indicate that "clear of conflict" is to
                be announced;
        ELSE PERFORM Crossing_flag_check; <RA is to be displayed>
            IF (RA sense has been reversed and RA is positive Climb
                or Descend and increase rate RA not issued after
                reversal)
                THEN indicate that announcement is needed;
        Select next Intruder Track File entry;
    ENDREPEAT;
PERFORM Set_up_display_outputs;
IF (a corrective Resolution advisory is present)
    THEN IF (the advisory has changed from last cycle)
        THEN ind. at least one corrective advisory changed this cycle;
IF (any new threat OR any change from preventive to corrective
    OR any corrective advisory has changed)
    THEN SET aural alarm flag;

END Set_up_global_flags;

```

References: (↑) Aural-Alarm-Inhibit_{s-222}, (↑) Aural-Alarm_{s-221}, (↑) Combined-Control_{s-227}, (↑) Vertical-Control_{s-231}, (↑) Corrective-Strength-Has-Changed_{m-319}

PROCESS Crossing_flag_check;

```
IF (there is an RA against this intruder AND a threat file entry exists)
  THEN IF ((RA is Climb sense AND own aircraft is at least
           F.CROSSTHR ft below intruder) OR (RA is Descend
           sense AND own aircraft is at least P.CROSSTHR ft
           above intruder))
    THEN IF (RA is positive CLIMB or DESCEND)
      THEN SET global altitude-crossing flag for display;
      IF (both ITF crossing flags are not set)
        THEN Calculate intruder's projected altitude at CPA;
        IF (own aircraft is modeled as level)
          <negative RA issued>
            THEN SET intruder crossing flag in ITF;
          ELSEIF (own not modeled as level and intruder
                 is projected to cross through own
                 aircraft's current altitude)
            THEN SET intruder crossing flag in ITF;
          OTHERWISE SET own crossing flag in ITF;
```

<Note: Setting of the INT-CROSS or OWN-CROSS flags determines which algorithm is used in the reversal logic to detect an intruder level-off maneuver.>

```
    ELSE IF (encounter was previously altitude crossing)
      THEN IF (RA is climb sense and own is at least
              P.CROSSTHR ft above intruder OR RA is
              descend sense and own is at least
              P.CROSSTHR ft below int)
        THEN CLEAR both ITF crossing flags;
        ELSE; <Crossing flags remain set>
    ELSE CLEAR both ITF crossing flags;
```

END Crossing_flag_check;

References: (↑) Crossing_s-280

PROCESS Set_up_display_outputs;

<Determine advisory annunciation precedence>

IF (increase rate RA issued)

THEN CLEAR reversal, maintain rate, and altitude crossing flags;

IF (increase rate RA was not present last cycle)

THEN indicate that RA changed to increase rate this cycle;

ELSE CLEAR indication that increase rate RA was present last cycle;

IF (maintain rate RA or reversed sense RA issued)

THEN CLEAR altitude crossing flag;

IF (reversed sense RA requires maintenance of rate)

THEN CLEAR sense reversal indication;

<announce maintain>

IF (this is first cycle for maintain rate)

THEN indicate that adv. changed;

<sound alarm>

IF (no RA is to be displayed)

THEN IF (announcement needed for Mode C threat that became non-altitude reporting during preceding RA)

THEN CLEAR track drop and clear of conflict flags;

ELSE IF (announcement needed for threat whose track was dropped during preceding RA)

THEN CLEAR clear of conflict flag;

ELSE IF (no clear of conflict announcement)

THEN indicate "No Advisory" in

DITS Word 270;

ELSE IF (a corrective RA has not been issued)

THEN indicate "Preventive RA" in DITS Word 270;

ELSE indicate either "Corrective Climb Sense RA" or

'Corrective Descend Sense RA" in DITS Word 270;

Quantize G.ZDMODEL to 100 ft/min for use as rate to display;

<Note: The actual rate that is shown on the RA display is dependent upon the quantization and segmentation of the instrument's "eyebrow" lights, and so could be different than the rate specified in DITS Word Label 270.>

Formulate DITS VERTICAL RA DATA OUTPUT WORD FOR TCAS (Label 270)

to be sent to the RA display, TA display and aural annunciation subsystem;

<Note that the logic specified above precludes the setting of multiple flags for encoding in WORD 270.>

END Set_up_display_outputs;

References: (↑) Combined-Control_{s-227}, (↑) Vertical-Control_{s-231}

Hardware Design Specifications

This section would include the design specification for those parts of the system that will be implemented in hardware. We do not have an example for TCAS and thus have not included one. We assume that standard diagrams and notations would be used.

Definition of Standard Conditions

Unless otherwise specified, the signal levels specified in this document are defined at an RF reference point at the antenna end of the cable that connects the TCAS interrogator/receiver equipment to its antenna. Specification values in this document are based upon an antenna transmission line loss equal to the maximum for which the TCAS equipment is designed.

Note: TCAS may be installed with less than the designed maximum transmission line loss. Nevertheless, the standard conditions of this document are based on the maximum design value. Insertion loss internal to the antenna should be included as part of the net antenna gain.

These performance standards, where applicable are specified for an avionics configuration that includes both a Mode S transponder and TCAS equipment. Design specifications that may exist at a possible interface between the Mode S transponder and the TCAS equipment are not covered in detail.

Performance Compatibility with Own Aircraft's Mode S Transponder

All of the TCAS requirements stated in this specification shall be met when the TCAS equipment is operating in conjunction with an operating Mode S transponder with the possible exception of those times that the Mode S transponder is active. The active state of the Mode S transmitter is defined as either the time

interval between the leading edge of the first transmitted pulse of a reply minus $10\mu s$ or the time interval during which a mutual suppression occurs, whichever is greater.

Verification Requirements

A standard test specification would go here.

Level 5
Physical Implementation

Software

This section of an intent specification would contain the actual code and hardware implementation. Because this TCAS system specification is written by the FAA and each manufacturer will generate their own code and physical design, it would not contain these things. However, each manufacturer would include their particular system here. For illustration, we have included some code that was written by MITRE from the pseudocode shown in Level 4. We assume this code was written to be used in parts of the simulation of TCAS during evaluation and testing of the logic.

<***INTRUDER TRACK FILE ENTRY***>

STRUCTURE ITF

GROUP identity

PTR CREFNO <Cross-reference to surveillance buffer>

INT IDINT <Mode S discrete address, if any>

INT IROW <Track file row number>

PTR NPTR <Nonlinear track file entry>

PTR TPTR <Threat File entry>

PTR WPTR <Working list entry>

GROUP capability

INT EQP <CAS equipage>

BIT IOGROUN <Intruder on ground>

INT LEV <Index to SL-dependent parameters>

BIT MODC <Mode-C type track>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Displays* ▷ *Traffic-Advisories[i]* ▷ *Altitude-Reporting*

INT PLINT <Intruder sensitivity level>

GROUP position

FLT A <Abs. value of relative altitude>

FLT ADOT <Signed value of relative altitude rate>

INT ARROW <Vertical rate arrow for display>

FLT BEARING <Bearing relative to own airframe>

BIT BEAROK <Valid data contained in BEARING>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Displays* ▷ *Traffic-Advisories[i]* ▷ *Bearing-Valid*

FLT R <Tracked range>

FLT RD <Tracked range rate>

BIT RFLG <Valid data in S.RR (range report); 0=coast>

FLT RZ <Relative altitude>

FLT RZD <Relative altitude rate>

INT VALREP <Valid surveillance report indicator>

FLT ZDINT <Tracked altitude rate>

FLT ZINT <Tracked altitude>

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<***INTRUDER TRACK FILE ENTRY CONTINUED***>
GROUP detection
  BIT ALTITUDE_LOST <Mode C threat has become non-altitude reporting>
  BIT CLEAR_CONFLICT <Clear of conflict with this threat>
  BIT DITF <Track needs to be dropped>
  INT KHIT <Detection hit counter>
  BIT TRACK_DROP <Surveillance dropped track against threat>
GROUP projection
  BIT DCFLG <Don't care about sense>
  FLT SECH <Separation for second-choice sense>
  BIT TAUCAP <Tau not allowed to rise>
  FLT TAUR <modified tau>
  FLT TAURISE <Counter - number of scans TRTRU has been rising>
  FLT TAUUV <Time to co-altitude>
  FLT TRTRU <True tau>
  FLT VMD <Vertical miss distance at closest approach>
GROUP evaluation
  BIT INC_ENC <Inc. rate RA issued for this threat this encounter>
  BIT INCREASE <Increase rate RA current for this threat>
  FLT INCTIME <Duration of increase rate RA for this threat>
  BIT INT_CROSS <Intruder causing alt-crossing RA to be selected>
  BIT OWN_CROSS <Own causing alt-crossing RA to be selected>
  BIT REVERSE <Reversal RA issued for this threat>
  BIT TIEBREAKER_REVERSAL <Own must reverse due to lost tiebreaker>
GROUP delay
  INT BADFOK <Sense chosen despite low firmness>
  INT IFIRM <Firmness of vertical track>
  INT LEVELWAIT <No. of cycles own TCAS has waited for intent>
  INT PREWARN <Firmness delay cycle counter>
  FLT ZDINR <Slacker bound of rate uncertainty>
  FLT ZDOUTR <Steeper bound of rate uncertainty>

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<***INTRUDER TRACK FILE ENTRY CONTINUED***>  
GROUP traffic  
  INT TACODE <Status for display>  
  FLT TASCORE <Priority relative to entries with same TACODE>  
  FLT TATIME <Time set to enforce min TA display time>  
GROUP timer  
  FLT DT <Time difference of 2 latest repts.>  
  FLT RRTI <Time of latest range/alt. report>  
  FLT TCMD <Time RA issued/changed for this intruder>  
  FLT TDATAI <Cycle time (TCUR) of last update>  
  
ENDSTRUCTURE;
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<***THREAT FILE ENTRY***>

STRUCTURE TF

GROUP identity

INT ID <Mode S discrete address>

PTR IPTR <Track file row number>

GROUP advisory

BIT DEFER_DISPLAY <RA display deferred pending compatibility
check with intent from threat TCAS>

INT DEFER_COUNT <No. of cycles RA display has been deferred>

BITS PERMTENT(12) <Advisory saved for this threat>

INT POOWRAR <Index to own Res. Adv. array>

INT POTHRAR(2) <Index to Res. Adv. Complements received from threat>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Controls* ▷ *Resolution-Advisory* ▷ *Vertical-RAC*

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Controls* ▷ *Resolution-Advisory* ▷ *Horizontal-RAC*

BITS TEMPRA(12) <Temporary storage for deferred RA>

GROUP timer

BIT NEW <New entry due to own Res. Adv.>

FLT TLRCMD <Time (TCUR) own advisory refreshed>

FLT TTHLRM <Time threat adv. refreshed>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***WORKING LIST ENTRY***>

<WL entries are ordered by status with \$TERM first, then \$NEW and \$CONT>

STRUCTURE WL

GROUP entry

INT STATUS <Entry type>

PTR IPTR <Pointer to ITF entry>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***NONLINEAR TRACK FILE ENTRY***>

<There is an NLTF entry for own and for each ITF entry of altitude-reporting

STRUCTURE N

GROUP output

FLT Z <Tracked altitude, old Z1>

FLT ZD <Tracked altitude rate, old Z2>

GROUP geometry

INT DIREC <Direction of previously established trend>

INT DIRECNZ <Direction of last transition>

INT LASTRAN <Mode of track>

FLT RESID <Residual, old Z10>

FLT TBIN <Estimated time to cross alt. bin, old Z7>

FLT TTRANGUES <Delay for changing rate following coasts>

FLT ZDINNER <Slacker bound of rate uncertainty>

FLT ZDOUTER <Steeper bound of rate uncertainty>

FLT ZSAVE <Previous altitude report, old Z4>

GROUP firmness

FLT BINSTHISZD <Bins crossed at current rate, old Z8>

INT CASFIRM <Firmness indicator>

INT FIPRECO <Firmness prior to coast sequence>

GROUP timer

FLT TDAT <Time of last altitude report, old Z3>

FLT TOSCIL <Time oscillation state entered>

FLT TSTART <Startup time>

FLT TTRAN <Time of last transition, old Z5>

FLT TUPDT <Time of last track update, old Z6>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***GLOBAL VARIABLES***>

STRUCTURE G

GROUP status

INT ALLPROXTIME <Countdown timer for prox traffic display>
BIT INITFLG <System initializing>
BIT INTMODE <Interrogation enabled>
BIT MACFLG <Multiple threats>
PTR NPTR <Own nonlinear track file, if mode-C tracking used>
BIT OPFLG <System operational>
INT RADAROUT <Number of cycles without radar alt. data>
BIT RAMODE <Resolution advisories enabled>
BIT TAMODE <Traffic advisories enabled>
FLT TCUR <Time of current processing cycle>

GROUP sensitivity

INT INDEX <Own sensitivity level>
INT LAYER <Altitude-related sensitivity level>
INT LEVELSIT(15) <Sens. levels sent from ground sites>
FLT LEVELTIM(15) <Time each level refreshed>

GROUP position

BIT CLIMBINHIB <Own aircraft cannot climb at 1500 fpm>
BIT INC_CLMINHIB <Own aircraft cannot climb at 2500 fpm>
BIT NODESCENT <Own near ground; descend RAs inhibited>
FLT TDATAO <Time of own last altitude update>
FLT ZGROUND <Ground elevation estimate>
FLT ZOWN <Own tracked altitude>
FLT ZDOWN <Own tracked altitude rate>

GROUP settable

FLT ALIM <Positive advisory alt. threshold>
FLT SENSFIRM <Required separation assuming no vert. tracking error>
FLT ZTHR <Detection alt. threshold>

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<***GLOBAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>
GROUP resolution
  BIT COLOCK <Coordination Lock>
  INT IDOWN <Own aircraft's Mode S discrete address>
  ↑ Own-Aircraft-Model ▷ Mode-S-Address
  BITS INTENT(4) <Threat Resolution Advisory Complement array>
  BITS RA(14) <Resolution Advisory Array>
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Resolution-Advisory ▷ Climb-RA
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Resolution-Advisory ▷ Descend-RA
  FLT TLOCK <Time Lock State initiated>
GROUP display
  BIT ALARM <Sound aural alarm>
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Aural-Alarm
  BIT ALLCLEAR <Announce "clear of conflict" message>
  BIT ANYALTLOST <Announce "threat became non-altitude reporting durin
  BIT ANYCORCHANG <Changed RA is corrective>
  BIT ANYCROSS <Encounter is an altitude cross>
  BIT ANYFIRMDEL <Intruder's RA delayed by firmness for first time>
  BIT ANYINCREASE <Increase rate RA issued>
  BIT ANYNEWTNR <RA due to new threat>
  BIT ANYPRECOR <RA changed from preventive to corrective>
  BIT ANYREVERSE <RA reversal issued>
  BIT ANYTRACKDROP <Announce "surveillance dropped track during RA">
  INT CLSTROLD <Previous value of CLSTRONG>
  INT CLSTRONG <Strongest climb sense RA>
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Resolution-Advisory ▷ Climb-RA
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Resolution-Advisory ▷ Descend-RA
  BIT CORINC <Increase rate RA is corrective>
  BIT CORRECTIVE_CLM <Climb sense RA is corrective>
  BIT CORRECTIVE_DES <Descend sense RA is corrective>
  INT DESTROLD <Previous value of DESTROLD>
  INT DESTROLD <Strongest descend sense RA>
  BIT INC_ENCOUNTER <Increase rate RA previously issued>
  BIT MAINTAIN <Positive RA is preventive>
  BIT PREVINCREASE <Increase rate RA issued previous scan>
  BIT TURN_OFF_AURALS <If set, aural annunciations are inhibited>
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Aural-Alarm
  ↑ Supervisory-Interface ▷ Pilot-Controls ▷ Aural-Alarm-Inhibit

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FLT ZDMODEL <Escape rate to maintain for safe separation>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Controls* ▷ *Own-Goal-Altitude-Rate*

GROUP cross_reference

PTR CREFPTR(100) <Array of pointers to ITF entries
indexed on surveillance buffer numbers>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***OWN AIRCRAFT DATA INPUT***>

STRUCTURE 0

GROUP status

BIT ALLPROX <Pilot selected prox traffic display>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Prox-Traffic-Display*

BIT GROUND_MODE <'1' = Traffic display permitted on ground>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Traffic-Display-Permitted*

INT MANUAL <Manual sensitivity level selection>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Controls* ▷ *Mode-Selector*

BIT OOGROUN <Own aircraft on ground>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Air-Status*

BIT RADAROK <Valid radar altitude data this cycle>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Radio-Altimeter-Status*

BIT TCASOP <TCAS operational status>

↑ *CAS-Operating-Modes* ▷ *Status*

GROUP geometry

FLT ZADC <Own fine altitude>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Barometric-Altitude*

FLT TADC <Time of fine altitude report>

FLT ZDADC <Own altitude rate (optional)>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Altitude-Rate*

INT ZROWN <Own Mode C altitude report>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Barometric-Altitude*

FLT TROWN <Time of Mode C alt. report>

FLT ZRADAR <Radar altimeter report>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▷ *Radio-Altitude*

ENDSTRUCTURE;

STRUCTURE REALTIME

GROUP data

FLT TCLOCK <Onboard realtime clock>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***INTRUDER SURVEILLANCE BUFFER DATA***>

STRUCTURE S

GROUP identity

INT SURVNO <Surveillance buffer number>

INT IDINTR <Mode-S discrete address, if any>

INT EQP <Equipage>

INT PLINT <Sensitivity level (=0 for non-TCAS II)>

BIT MODC <Intruder is reporting altitude>

GROUP geometry

FLT RR <Range report>

FLT RRTIME <Time stamp for range/alt report>

BIT RFLG <Valid data in RR. 0=coast>

INT ZRINT <Mode-C altitude report>

BIT ZFLG <Valid data in ZRINT>

FLT BEAR <Intruder bearing relative to own heading>

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Displays* ▷ *Traffic-Advisories[i]* ▷ *Bearing*

BIT BEAROK <Valid data in BEAR>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***SYSTEM PARAMETERS***>

STRUCTURE P

GROUP track

FLT ALFAO <Own fine altitude smoothing>
FLT BETAO <Own fine alt. rate smoothing>
FLT ALFAR <Intruder range smoothing>
FLT BETAR <Intruder range rate smoothing>

GROUP sensitivity

INT AUTOMATIC <TCAS is in automatic mode; SL selected based on alt.
FLT BOT(4) <Lower hysteresis bounds for alt.-sensitive parameter
FLT TOP(4) <Upper hysteresis bounds for alt.-sensitive parameter
INT INDSTART <Sensitivity level for system startup>
FLT KNOWGROH <Upper alt. for updating ground alt.>
FLT KNOWGROL <Lower alt. for updating ground alt.>
BIT LOWTA <Option to generate TAs in sens. level 2>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes* ▷ *TA-In-Sens-Level-2*

FLT NEARGROH <Upper hysteresis bound for on-ground test>
FLT NEARGROL <Altitude AGL where threat declared on ground>
INT RADARLOST <No. cycles without radar alt. to invoke default>
INT SITMAX <Number of ground sites that can set sensitivity>
INT SLNORAD <Default SL, when radar alt. absent long time>
FLT STIMOUT <Timeout for ground SL command>
INT TA_ONLY <TCAS is in TA-only mode; no RAs permitted>
FLT ZLARGE <default when ground level can't be estimated>
FLT ZSL2T04 <Upper SL 2/4 boundary>
FLT ZSL4T02 <Lower SL 2/4 boundary>
FLT ZSL4T05 <Upper SL 4/5 boundary>
FLT ZSL5T04 <Lower SL 4/5 boundary>
FLT ZSL5T06 <Upper SL 5/6 boundary>
FLT ZSL6T05 <Lower SL 5/6 boundary>
FLT ZSL6T07 <Upper SL 6/7 boundary>
FLT ZSL7T06 <Lower SL 6/7 boundary>

<***SYSTEM PARAMETERS CONTINUED***>

GROUP detect

FLT DMODTBL(7) <Incremental range protection>
FLT H1TBL(7) <Divergence range*range rate hyperbola>
FLT LOWFIRMZ <Alt. cross threshold on low firmness>
FLT MAXALTDIFF <Max. altitude difference to issue an RA>
FLT NAFRANGE <Minimum range to filter nuisance alarms>
FLT RDTHR <Small range rate for tau calc.>
FLT RMAX <Maximum range for threat detection>
FLT TRTETBL(7) <Range tau limit, equipped intruder>
FLT TRTUTBL(7) <Range tau limit, unequipped intruder>
FLT TVPCTBL(7) <Max. projection for VMD calculation>
FLT TVPETBL(7) <Max. projection modeling escape>
FLT TVTETBL(7) <Altitude tau limit, equipped intruder>
FLT TVTUTBL(7) <Altitude tau limit, unequipped intruder>
FLT ZDTHR <Small vertical rate to inhibit zero-divide for tau c
FLT ZT(4) <Immediate altitude threshold>

GROUP delay

FLT MINTAU <Lower limit for tau and value when diverging>
FLT MINTAUM <Floor for beginning of critical interval>
FLT SF(4) <Req'd sep. for bad firmness hit using vert rate limi
INT WTHR <Waiting threshold for RA deferral>

<***SYSTEM PARAMETERS CONTINUED***>

GROUP model

FLT BACKDELAY <Floor on (current time - begin-maneuver time)>
FLT CLMRT <Nominal rate of response to positive climb>
FLT DESRT <Nominal rate of response to positive descent>
FLT MINRVSTIME <Min.time for reversal for threat close in alt.>
FLT MINSEP <Min. separation needed for non-cross logic>
FLT MIN_RI_TIME <Min.time to inhibit reversals and increases>
FLT NOZCROSS <Incr. sep req'd to cross alt when can't climb>
FLT OWNDEL <Pilot delay time, positive to negative>
FLT QUIKREAC <Pilot delay time between RA's>
FLT RACCEL <Acceleration response to Sense Reversal RA>
FLT TMIN <Timer to display RA 5-sec minimum>
FLT TV1 <Response delay to first RA>
FLT VACCEL <Nominal acceleration responding to RA>
FLT ZDESBOT <Own final altitude after leveloff at NODESLO>
FLT ZDMAXTB(5) <Greatest rate to model>
FLT ZDMINTB(5) <Smallest rate to model>

GROUP seladv

FLT AL(4) <Positive advisory threshold>
FLT FRTHR(7,4) <Tau threshold to delay stronger RA if bad firmness>
FLT ILEV <Vertical rate inducing immediate positive RA>
FLT NEWVSL <Factor by which VSL assumed to be violated>
FLT NODESHI <Ceiling on own alt.AGL to issue DESCEND RAs>
FLT NODESLO <Floor on own alt. AGL to issue DESCEND RAs>
FLT OLEV <A "substantial" vertical rate>
FLT STROFIR <Tau ceiling to delay stronger RA if bad firmness>
FLT TNOWEAK <Time advisory not allowed to weaken>
FLT TRVSNOWEAK <Time adv. not allowed to weaken in reversals>
FLT V1000 <1000 ft/min limit>
FLT V2000 <2000 ft/min limit>
FLT V500 <500 ft/min limit>

<***SYSTEM PARAMETERS CONTINUED***>

GROUP eval

FLT AVEVALT <Required separation to pass Increase Rate test>
FLT AVEVTAU(7) <Tau ceiling to perform Increase Rate test>
INT MINFIRM <Intruder firmness level required for Increase Rate t
FLT ZNO_INCDDES <Alt. limit to issue Increase Descent RAs>

GROUP coordination

INT HMAPINTENT(4) <Map codes in coordination msg into horizontal INTENT
INT VMAPINTENT(4) <Map codes in coordination msg into vertical INTENT a
FLT TCATRES <Time to clean up stray TF entry>
INT TRYMAX <Interrogation limit when no response>
FLT TUNLOCK <Limit for coordination lock state>
INT PTABLE(16) <Parity table to confirm validity of RA msg>

GROUP correct_prev

FLT CLIMBGOAL(8) <Expected rate for climb sense RA>
FLT DESGOAL(8) <Expected rate for desc. sense RA>
FLT HUGE <Large constant>
FLT HYSTERCOR <Hysteresis for corrective/preventive test>
FLT SMALLRATE <Rate limit for compliance with DCL,DDES>

GROUP general

BIT AIRDATA <Fine altitude data available>

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Model* ▸ *Barometric-Altimeter-Status*

FLT CROSSTHR <Altitude-crossing threshold>
INT LARGEINT <General-purpose large integer>
FLT TINIT <Initial value for timer variables>

GROUP display

FLT INC_CLMRATE <Climb rate for increase rate RA>
FLT INC_DESRATE <Descend rate for increase rate RA>

<***SYSTEM PARAMETERS CONTINUED***>

GROUP traffic

FLT ABOVNMCM <Max. alt. to display traffic adv. on int. not report
INT ALLPROXDUR <Max duration for prox traffic display>
INT DISPTHR <minimum TACODE level displayed>
FLT DMODTA_TBL(7) <Incremental range volume>
FLT HISCORE <TASCODE for \$RA type>
FLT H1TA_TBL(7) <Range*Range rate divergence>
FLT LOSCORE <nominal TASCODE for proximity type>
FLT MEDHISCORE <nominal TASCODE for nearest intruders>
FLT MEDLOSCORE <nominal TASCODE for diverging intruder>
FLT MEDSCORE <nominal TASCODE for converging intruder>
INT NEEDPROX <TACODE level for which proximity traffic displayed>
FLT MINTATIME <Minimum display time for a TA>
FLT PROXA <Altitude limit for proximity alert>
FLT PROXR <Range limit for proximity alert>
FLT RDTHRTA <Range rate limit for tau calc.>
FLT RTHRTA_TBL(7) <Range for immediate Threat alert>
FLT TRTHRTA_TBL(7) <Range tau for Threat alert>
FLT TVTHRTA_TBL(7) <Altitude tau for Threat alert>
FLT ZDTHRTA <Alt. rate limit for tau calc.>
FLT ZNO_AURALHI <Upper "aurals inhibited" boundary>
FLT ZNO_AURALLO <Lower "aurals inhibited" boundary>
FLT ZTHRTA <Altitude limit for threat alert>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

<***NLTF PARAMETERS***>

STRUCTURE PN

GROUP general

FLT DT <Nominal update time>

FLT LARGEPOS <Bincross time when rate is level>

FLT Q <Size of altitude bin quantization>

FLT SMALLPOS <Term to avoid zero-divide>

FLT ZDLARGE <Steepest confidence limit on ZD>

FLT ZDLIKELY <Most likely vertical rate after a transition>

GROUP no_transition

FLT LATELEVEL <Bincross discrepancy to declare ZD=0>

FLT LATESLACK <Bincross discrepancy to slacken ZD>

FLT TGOLEV <Interval of unchanged reports to declare ZD=0>

FLT ZDDECAY <Decay factor for ZD when LASTRAN=\$GUESS>

GROUP no_trans_firmness

FLT GUESDU1 <Bin occupancy time to rule out steep rate>

FLT GUESDU2 <Bin occupancy time to rule out moderate rate>

FLT GUESDU3 <Bin occupancy time to imply leveloff>

FLT OVERDU1 <Bincross discrepancy to lower confidence in estab. r

FLT OVERDU2 <Bincross discrepancy to raise confidence rate is zer

<***NLTF PARAMETERS CONTINUED***>

GROUP transition

FLT EARLYLATE <Bincross discrepancy to ignore prior history, reinit
FLT GUESRATE <Vertical Rate estimate when bincross follows level>
FLT RESIDECAY <RESID adjustment when substantial bincross discrepan
FLT RESIDIMIN <RESID adjustment when slight bincross discrepancy>
FLT SECSQ <Constant to compute ceiling on relative weighting>
FLT SHORT <Constant to compute ceiling on relative weighting>
FLT SLITEOFF <Bincross discrepancy to adjust RESID>
FLT TBINBETA <Rel weighting, observed to expected, to update bincr
FLT TBINMIN <Floor on bincross estimate when reinitializing rate>
FLT TRANGU <Increase in EARLYLATE, SLITEOFF, LATESLACK following
FLT ZRJIT <Time near bin bndry when track vulnerable to spuriou

GROUP transition_firmness

FLT DUE2 <Error allowance in computing allowable time in curre
FLT HI1 <Excess in actual/expected bincross, fair firmness>
FLT HI2 <Excess in actual/expected bincross, good firmness>
FLT HI3 <Excess in actual/expected bincross, maximum firmness
FLT LO1 <Deficiency in actual/expected bincross, fair firmnes
FLT LO2 <Deficiency in actual/expected bincross, good firmnes
FLT LO3 <Deficiency in actual/expected bincross, maximum firm
FLT OUT2 <Bincross discrepancy floor, good firmness>
FLT OUT3 <Bincross discrepancy floor, maximum firmness>
FLT SLACKEN1 <Bin occupancy time needed for fair firmness>
FLT SLACKEN2 <Bin occupancy time needed for good firmness>
FLT ZDFRACC <Uncertainty factor in ZD due to possible acceleratio

ENDSTRUCTURE;

TASK MAIN_LOOP;

PERFORM Initialize;
REPEAT WHILE (\$TRUE);

Set Working List to null;

<If processing of Mode S messages is not performed on a periodic

basis per cycle, then ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING must be invoked here in TASK MAIN_LOOP to handle any Mode S messages that may have arrived while own TCAS was in Coordination Lock State.>

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CALL TRACK_OWN;
IF (G.INTMODE EQ $TRUE)
  THEN CALL TRACK_INTRUDERS;
      IF (G.RAMODE EQ $TRUE)
        THEN CALL DETECT_CONFLICTS;
REPEAT WHILE (more WL entries);
  CALL RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION
    IN (WL entry);
  Select next WL entry;
ENDREPEAT;
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CALL TRAFFIC_ADVISORY;
CALL DISPLAY_ADVISORIES;
CALL HOUSEKEEPING;
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ENDREPEAT;
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END MAIN_LOOP;
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PROCESS Initialize;

    Initialize all constants;
    Set all data structures to null;
    CLEAR all bits in G.RA array;
    SET all pointers in G.CREFPTR array to $NULL;
    SET G.INITFLG;
    G.ZGROUND = -P.ZLARGE;
    G.RADAROUT = P.RADARLOST;
    G.INDEX = P.INDSTART;
    G.LAYER = 1;
    CLEAR all elements in G.LEVELSIT array;
    CLEAR G.INTMODE;
    CLEAR G.RAMODE;
    CLEAR G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.CORRECTIVE_DES;
    G.ZDMODEL = 0;
    G.CLSTRONG, G.DESTRONG = 0;
    G.CLSTROLD, G.DESTROLD = 0;
    G.ALLPROXTIME = -1;
    CLEAR all bits in G.INTENT array;
    CLEAR G.PREVINCREASE;
    CLEAR G.INC_ENCOUNTER;
    CLEAR G.CORINC;
    CLEAR G.NODESCENT;
    SET G.TURN_OFF_AURALS;
    CLEAR G.COLOCK;
    Initialize coordination message queues and pointers;
    Clear all bus working areas and NTA;
    Start real-time clock;
    Send initial sensitivity level setting to transponder;
    Input own aircraft info; <Altitude, Mode S ID, Max.  Airspeed,
    Control Panel settings>

END Initialize;

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<*** RECEIVE TASK LOCAL VARIABLES ***>
STRUCTURE RCV_VAR
  GROUP general
    INT INTIND <Numeric value of complement to cancel>
    BIT SUCCESS <Matching entry found>

  GROUP message
    INT CHC <3-bit subfield to cancel horizontal complement>
    INT CVC <2-bit subfield to cancel vertical complement>
    INT HRC <3-bit subfield to add horizontal complement>
    INT HSB <5-bit subfield for horiz.sense parity protection>
    INT IIS <Mode S interrogator identification subfield>
    INT L2BCHC <Local variable to hold low order 2 bits of CHC>
    INT L2BHRC <Local variable to hold low order 2 bits of HRC>
    INT MID <Mode S ID of interrogating TCAS aircraft>
    BIT MTB <Multi-threat bit>
    INT SLC <Uplinked Sensitivity Level Command from Mode S sensor>
    INT VRC <2-bit subfield to add vertical complement>
    INT VSB <4-bit subfield for vert. sense parity protection>
    BIT BAD_DATA <Parity error or illegal data in message>
    INT PARITY <Value from P.PTABLE based on bits in message>

ENDSTRUCTURE;

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TASK RECEIVE;
  IF (TCAS Resolution (Intent) message received)
    THEN put message on Resolution message queue;
         CALL RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;
  ELSEIF (Mode S message received)
    THEN put message on Mode S message queue;
         CALL MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

END RECEIVE;
```

ROUTINE RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

<The queued message must be decoded and the appropriate field values assigned to the proper variables used by this logic. Fields in the message are CVC, CHC, MID, MTB, HRC, VRC, VSB, HSB>

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IF (G.COLOCK EQ $FALSE) <NOTE: Uninterruptible test and
  THEN SET G.COLOCK; set of G.COLOCK>
  G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Resolution message queue);
    Get Resolution message from queue;
    PERFORM Process_threat_intent;
    Select next entry;
  ENDREPEAT;
  Set up fields in Coordination Update message:
    RAC = G.INTENT, ARA = G.RA;
  Send Coordination Update message to transponder;
  CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
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END RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

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PROCESS Process_threat_intent;

    CLEAR BAD_DATA;
    PARITY = P.PTABLE (BITS 43 - 46 (CVC, VRC) in coordination message
        from threat TCAS);
    <NOTE: Bit positions may be different for message received from transpond
    IF (PARITY NE VSB subfield in coordination message from threat TCAS)
        THEN SET BAD_DATA;
        ELSE IF ((CVC EQ 0) AND (CHC EQ 0) AND (VRC EQ 0) AND (HRC EQ
            THEN SET BAD_DATA;
            ELSE IF ((CVC EQ 3) OR (VRC EQ 3))
                THEN SET BAD_DATA;
    IF (BAD_DATA EQ $FALSE)
        THEN PERFORM Find_threat_file_entry;
        TF.TTHLRM = TCLOCK;
        PERFORM Process_valid_data;

END Process_threat_intent;

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PROCESS Find_threat_file_entry;

    CLEAR SUCCESS;
    REPEAT WHILE (more TF entries AND SUCCESS EQ $FALSE);
        IF (entry found with TF.ID EQ MID)
            THEN SET SUCCESS;
                Save pointer to TF entry;
            ELSE select next entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (SUCCESS EQ $FALSE)
        THEN create new TF entry;
            TF.IPTR = $NULL;
            TF.ID = MID;
            TF.TLRCMD = P.TINIT;
            CLEAR TF.NEW;
            TF.POOWRAR, TF.POTHRAR(1), TF.POTHRAR(2) = 0;
            CLEAR All bits in TF.PERMTENT;
            CLEAR TF.DEFER_DISPLAY;
            TF.DEFER_COUNT = 0;
            CLEAR All bits in TF.TEMPRA;
            Save pointer to TF entry;

END Find_threat_file_entry;

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PROCESS Process_valid_data;
  IF (CVC NE 0) <vertical complement to cancel>
    THEN TF.POTHRAR(1) = 0;
      Save current TF pointer;
      CALL DELETE_INTENT
        IN (P.VMAPINTENT(CVC));
      Restore current TF pointer;
  IF (CHC NE 0) <horizontal complement to cancel>
    THEN TF.POTHRAR(2) = 0;
      L2BCHC = two low order bits of CHC; <BITS 48 and 49 in coordination
        message from threat TCAS III aircraft>
      Save current TF pointer;
      CALL DELETE_INTENT
        IN (P.HMAPINTENT(L2BCHC));
      Restore current TF pointer;

  IF (VRC NE 0) <vertical complement to add>
    THEN IF (TF.POTHRAR(1) NE P.VMAPINTENT(VRC))
      THEN TF.POTHRAR(1) = P.VMAPINTENT(VRC);
        SET G.INTENT(P.VMAPINTENT(VRC));
  IF (HRC NE 0) <horizontal complement to add>
    THEN L2BHRC = two low order bits of HRC; <BITS 51 and 52 in coordination
      message from threat TCAS III aircraft>
      IF (TF.POTHRAR(2) NE P.HMAPINTENT(L2BHRC))
        THEN TF.POTHRAR(2) = P.HMAPINTENT(L2BHRC);
          SET G.INTENT(P.HMAPINTENT(L2BHRC));

END Process_valid_data;

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ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

<Note that ROUTINE MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING can be interrupted by additional incoming Mode S messages. The implementation must ensure that MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING is prevented from beginning processing of an incoming Mode S message while the processing of a previous Mode S message is still underway.>

<The queued message must be decoded and the appropriate field values assigned to the proper variables used by this logic. Fields in the messages are IIS, SLC, TCAS Broadcast Bit, own Mode S ID, own altitude, own aircraft maximum airspeed, and control panel data.>

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REPEAT WHILE (more entries in Mode S message queue AND G.COLOCK EQ
    $FALSE AND processing of previous Mode S message complete);
  Get message from queue;
  IF (message is Sensitivity Level Command)
    THEN PERFORM SL_command_processing;
  ELSEIF (message is Periodic Data)
    THEN PERFORM Periodic_data_processing;
  ELSEIF (message is TCAS Broadcast data)
    THEN PERFORM Broadcast_processing;
  Select next entry;
ENDREPEAT;

END MODE_S_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;
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```
PROCESS SL_command_processing;
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  <Fields in message are IIS, and SLC. IIS identifies interrogator.>
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  IF (SLC EQ 15 in message)
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    THEN G.LEVELSIT(IIS) = 0;
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  ELSEIF (SLC LE 7 AND SLC GT 1) <Valid SLCs are 2 through 7>
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    THEN G.LEVELSIT(IIS) = SLC;
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      G.LEVELTIM(IIS) = TCLOCK;
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  OTHERWISE;
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END SL_command_processing;
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PROCESS Periodic_data_processing;

↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Controls</i> ▷ <i>Mode-Selector</i>
↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Model</i> ▷ <i>Barometric-Altitude</i>
↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Model</i> ▷ <i>Mode-S-Address</i>
↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Model</i> ▷ <i>Altitude-Rate</i>

Determine if the data received is own altitude, own Mode S ID,
own aircraft maximum airspeed, or control panel information;
IF (altitude message received)
 THEN IF (fine resolution)
 THEN O.ZADC = fine altitude from message;
 O.TADC = TCLOCK;
 ELSE O.ZROWN = coarse altitude from message;
 O.TROWN = TCLOCK;
IF (own update message received)
 THEN G.IDOWN = own Mode S ID;
 O.MANUAL = pilot-selected Sensitivity Level from Control Panel;
 Save maximum airspeed for use by surveillance;
 Save other display control data, control panel data, hardware
 status info for use by display subsystems, surveillance, and
 performance monitoring;

END Periodic_data_processing;

PROCESS Broadcast_processing;

Store the Mode S ID of the reporting TCAS aircraft and the associated time;

<Once per second, at the beginning of the surveillance cycle, compute NTA to be the number of distinct TCAS addresses monitored within the previous 20-second period.>

END Broadcast_processing;

```
ROUTINE DELETE_INTENT
  IN (INTIND);

  IF (INTIND NE 0)
    THEN CLEAR SUCCESS;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF AND SUCCESS EQ $FALSE);
      IF (INTIND EQ TF.POTHRAR(1) OR INTIND EQ TF.POTHRAR(2))
        THEN SET SUCCESS;
        ELSE select next TF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (SUCCESS EQ $TRUE)
      THEN; <cannot delete intent which applies to another threat>
      ELSE CLEAR G.INTENT(INTIND);

END DELETE_INTENT;
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STRUCTURE TRACKVAR

GROUP range

INT LOWLEVEL <Ground site sensitivity level choice>
BIT RADARCREP
FLT RP <Projected range at old rate>
INT SIT

GROUP vertical

FLT ALT_ABOVE_GND <Own aircraft's altitude above ground level>
FLT BETA1
FLT BINFIRS <Earliest credible time in this bin>
FLT BINLAST <Latest credible time in this bin>
FLT BLIM
FLT CREDREP <Variable used to determine if report credible>
FLT DBINS <Number of bins crossed since last report>
FLT DELT <Actual minus expected time in previous bin>
FLT DTOWN
FLT DZM <Difference between current & prev.alt.rpts>
BIT INIT <Initial report flag>
INT ISGN <Direction of change: +1 = up, -1 = down>
BIT MODEC_FLAG
FLT NEW_TBINMIN <Calculated TBINMIN value for high vert.rates>
BIT OSTOSS <Spurious oscillation flag>
FLT PREDBINS <Predicted number of bin crossings>
FLT QSIGN <100 * ISGN>
FLT T <Time>
FLT TBINSAVE <Pre-update value of TBIN (bin cross time)>
FLT TN <-(time until next transition due); pos if overdue>
FLT TPREV <Time in previous bin>
FLT T7
FLT VARNOQCH <Term to inhib estimating bin entered recently, after
BIT ZFLG <Valid-report flag (TRUE => valid)>
FLT ZP <Projected altitude at old rate>
INT ZREPT <Altitude report>

<***TRACKING LOCAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>

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GROUP sensitivity
  INT EXTERNALSL <SL input from pilot or Mode S sensor>
ENDSTRUCTURE;
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TASK TRACK_OWN;

G.TCUR = TCLOCK;
G.OPFLG = O.TCASOP;
PERFORM Own_altitude_tracking;
PERFORM Climb_evaluation; <determine if own aircraft can climb>
IF (O.RADAROK EQ $FALSE)
    THEN G.RADAROUT = G.RADAROUT + 1;
    ELSE PERFORM Radar_credibility_test;
        IF (RADARCREDED EQ $TRUE)
            THEN G.RADAROUT = 0;
            ELSE G.RADAROUT = G.RADAROUT + 1;
PERFORM Ground_level_estimation; <sets G.ZGROUND>
PERFORM Ground_proximity_check;
PERFORM Set_index;
PERFORM Set_layer_dependent_parameters;
PERFORM Update_interrogation_mode;
PERFORM Update_advisory_mode;
Set up fields for subsequent SLC Update messages to transponder:
    SL = G.INDEX; <Indicate current sensitivity level and TCAS capability>
    IF (G.RAMODE EQ $TRUE)
        THEN RI = 3; <Onboard TCAS with vertical-only RA capability>
        ELSE IF (G.TAMODE EQ $TRUE)
            THEN RI = 2; <Onboard TCAS with RA capability inhibited>
            ELSE RI = 0; <No onboard TCAS>

END TRACK_OWN;

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PROCESS Own_altitude_tracking;

  IF (G.INITFLG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CLEAR G.INITFLG;
      IF (P.AIRDATA EQ $TRUE)
        THEN G.TDATAO = O.TADC;
          G.ZOWN = O.ZADC;
          G.ZDOWN = O.ZDADC; <if available, else use 0>
        ELSE CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
          IN (1, 1, 1, O.ZROWN, O.TROWN)
          INOUT (N entry, G.NPTR);
          G.ZOWN = N.Z;
          G.ZDOWN = N.ZD;
      ELSE IF (P.AIRDATA EQ $TRUE)
        THEN DTOWN = O.TADC - G.TDATAO;
          ZP = G.ZOWN + G.ZDOWN * DTOWN;
          G.ZOWN = ZP + P.ALFAO * (O.ZADC-ZP);
          G.ZDOWN = G.ZDOWN + P.BETAO * (O.ZADC-ZP)/DTOWN;
          G.TDATAO = O.TADC;
        ELSE CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
          IN (0, 1, 1, O.ZROWN, O.TROWN)
          INOUT (N entry, G.NPTR);
          G.ZOWN = N.Z;
          G.ZDOWN = N.ZD;

END Own_altitude_tracking;

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PROCESS Climb_evaluation;

↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes</i> ▷ <i>Climb-Inhibit</i> ,
↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes</i> ▷ <i>Config-Climb-Inhibit</i> ,
↑ <i>Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes</i> ▷ <i>Increase-Climb-Inhibit</i>

Determine if own aircraft is in regime where it can perform climb escape ma

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IF (G.RA(1-10) EQ $FALSE)
  THEN CLEAR G.CLIMBINHIB;
  CLEAR G.INC_CLMINHIB;
  IF (own altitude is above aircraft altitude limit specified
      by ARINC 735 program pins OR performance limit discrete
      indicates that own aircraft can't climb at 1500 fpm)
    THEN SET G.CLIMBINHIB;
    SET G.INC_CLMINHIB;
  ELSE IF (performance limit discrete indicates that
          own aircraft can't climb at 2500 fpm)
    THEN SET G.INC_CLMINHIB;
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END Climb_evaluation;

```
PROCESS Radar_credibility_test;

    Determine credibility of O.ZRADAR data;
    IF (O.ZRADAR data is credible)
        THEN SET RADARCRED;
        ELSE CLEAR RADARCRED;

END Radar_credibility_test;
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PROCESS Ground_level_estimation;

  IF (O.OOGROUN EQ $TRUE)
    THEN G.ZGROUND = G.ZOWN;
  ELSEIF (G.RADAROUT GT P.RADARLOST)
    THEN G.ZGROUND = -P.ZLARGE;
  ELSEIF (G.RADAROUT GT 0)
    THEN; <don't update ZGROUND>
  ELSEIF (G.ZGROUND EQ -P.ZLARGE)
    THEN IF (O.ZRADAR LT P.KNOWGROL)
      THEN G.ZGROUND = G.ZOWN - O.ZRADAR;
      ELSE; <ground level unchanged>
  OTHERWISE IF (O.ZRADAR GT P.KNOWGROH)
    THEN G.ZGROUND = -P.ZLARGE;
    ELSE G.ZGROUND = G.ZOWN - O.ZRADAR;

END Ground_level_estimation;

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PROCESS Ground_proximity_check;

↑ *Own-Aircraft-Operating-Modes* ▷ *Descend-Inhibit*

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IF (G.ZGROUND EQ -P.ZLARGE)
  THEN CLEAR G.NODESCENT;
  CLEAR G.TURN_OFF_AURALS;
ELSE ALT_ABOVE_GND = G.ZOWN - G.ZGROUND;
  IF (G.NODESCENT EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (ALT_ABOVE_GND GT P.NODESHI)
      THEN CLEAR G.NODESCENT;
      ELSE;
    ELSE IF (ALT_ABOVE_GND LT P.NODESLO)
      THEN SET G.NODESCENT;
      ELSE;
  IF (G.TURN_OFF_AURALS EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (ALT_ABOVE_GND GT P.ZNO_AURALHI)
      THEN CLEAR G.TURN_OFF_AURALS;
      ELSE;
    ELSE IF (ALT_ABOVE_GND LT P.ZNO_AURALLO)
      THEN SET G.TURN_OFF_AURALS;
      ELSE;
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END Ground_proximity_check;

PROCESS Set_index;

↑ *CAS-Operating-Modes* ▷ *Effective-SL*

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PERFORM Auto_SL; <Determine G.INDEX>
EXTERNALSL = O.MANUAL; <Pilot input>
IF (EXTERNALSL EQ P.AUTOMATIC)
    THEN EXTERNALSL = G.INDEX;
LOWLEVEL = P.LARGEINT;
SIT = 1;
REPEAT UNTIL (SIT GT P.SITMAX);
    IF (G.LEVELSIT(SIT) GT 1 AND G.LEVELSIT(SIT) LT LOWLEVEL)
        THEN LOWLEVEL = G.LEVELSIT(SIT);
    SIT = SIT + 1;
ENDREPEAT; <this loop selects lowest Mode S site Sens. Level>
IF (LOWLEVEL NE P.LARGEINT) <Site has provided an SL>
    THEN EXTERNALSL = MIN(EXTERNALSL, LOWLEVEL);
IF (EXTERNALSL NE P.TA_ONLY)
    THEN G.INDEX = MIN(G.INDEX, EXTERNALSL);
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END Set_index;

PROCESS Auto_SL;

↑ *CAS-Operating-Modes* ▷ *Auto-SL*

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    IF (O.OOGROUN EQ $TRUE)
      THEN IF (O.GROUND_MODE EQ $TRUE AND O.MANUAL NE 1)
        THEN G.INDEX = 2;
        ELSE G.INDEX = 1;
      ELSEIF (G.NODESCENT EQ $TRUE AND G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE)
        THEN G.INDEX = 2;
      ELSEIF (G.INDEX LE 3 AND G.RADAROUT EQ 0) <TCAS chooses>
        THEN IF (O.ZRADAR GT P.ZSL2T04)
          THEN G.INDEX=4;
          ELSE G.INDEX=2;
        ELSEIF (G.INDEX EQ 4)
          THEN IF (G.RADAROUT EQ 0 AND O.ZRADAR LE P.ZSL4T02)
            THEN G.INDEX=2;
            ELSEIF (G.RADAROUT EQ 0 AND O.ZRADAR GE P.ZSL4T05)
              THEN G.INDEX=5;
              ELSEIF (G.RADAROUT GT P.RADARLOST AND G.ZOWN GE P.ZSL4T05)
                THEN G.INDEX=5;
          ELSEIF (G.INDEX EQ 5)
            THEN IF (G.RADAROUT EQ 0 AND O.ZRADAR LE P.ZSL5T04)
              THEN G.INDEX=4;
              ELSEIF (G.ZOWN GE P.ZSL5T06)
                THEN G.INDEX=6;
          ELSEIF (G.INDEX EQ 6)
            THEN IF (G.ZOWN LE P.ZSL6T05)
              THEN G.INDEX=5;
              ELSEIF (G.ZOWN GE P.ZSL6T07)
                THEN G.INDEX = 7;
          ELSEIF (G.INDEX EQ 7)
            THEN IF (G.ZOWN LE P.ZSL7T06)
              THEN G.INDEX = 6;
          ELSEIF (G.RADAROUT GT P.RADARLOST)
            THEN G.INDEX = P.SLNORAD;
    END Auto_SL;
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PROCESS Set_layer_dependent_parameters;

  IF (G.LAYER EQ 1)
    THEN IF (G.ZOWN GE P.TOP(1))
      THEN G.LAYER = 2;

  IF (G.LAYER EQ 2)
    THEN IF (G.ZOWN LE P.BOT(2))
      THEN G.LAYER = 1;
      ELSE IF (G.ZOWN GE P.TOP(2))
        THEN G.LAYER = 3;

  IF (G.LAYER EQ 3)
    THEN IF (G.ZOWN LE P.BOT(3))
      THEN G.LAYER = 2;
      ELSE IF (G.ZOWN GE P.TOP(3))
        THEN G.LAYER = 4;

  IF (G.LAYER EQ 4)
    THEN IF (G.ZOWN LE P.BOT(4))
      THEN G.LAYER = 3;

  G.ALIM = P.AL(G.LAYER);
  G.ZTHR = P.ZT(G.LAYER);
  G.SENSFIRM = P.SF(G.LAYER);

END Set_layer_dependent_parameters;

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PROCESS Update_interrogation_mode;

  IF (G.OPFLG EQ $TRUE AND G.INDEX GT 1)
    THEN SET G.INTMODE;

  ELSE IF (G.INTMODE EQ $TRUE AND G.RAMODE EQ $FALSE)
    THEN CLEAR G.INTMODE;
      REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
        <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
        to end. Performance Monitor should recognize
        when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
        seconds and take appropriate action.>
      ENDREPEAT;
      SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;
      G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
      REPEAT WHILE (more TF entries);
        TF.IPTR = $NULL;
        Select next TF entry;
      ENDREPEAT;
      Null the ITF file and G.CREFPTR table;
      CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

<If Resolution_enabled mode was set, Update_advisory_mode must
perform cleanup this cycle. Track file will be cleared next cycle.>

END Update_interrogation_mode;

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PROCESS Update_advisory_mode;
  CLEAR G.TAMODE;
  IF (G.OPFLG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (G.INDEX GE 2)
      THEN SET G.TAMODE;
        IF ((G.INDEX EQ 2) AND (P.LOWTA EQ $FALSE))
          THEN CLEAR G.TAMODE;
        IF ((EXTERNALSL GT 2) AND (G.INDEX GT 2))
          THEN SET G.RAMODE;
  IF ((G.OPFLG EQ $FALSE) OR (G.INDEX LE 2) OR (EXTERNALSL LE 2))
    THEN IF (G.RAMODE EQ $TRUE)
      THEN CLEAR G.RAMODE;
        REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
          <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
            to end. Performance Monitor should recognize
            when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
            seconds and take appropriate action.>
        ENDREPEAT;
        SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;
        G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
        REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF);
          IF (TF.POOWRAR NE 0 OR TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $TRUE)
            THEN add threat to WL with WL.STATUS = $TERM;
            Select next TF entry;
        ENDREPEAT;
        REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
          ITF.LEVELWAIT, ITF.KHIT, ITF.PREWARN = 0;
          ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
          CLEAR ITF.TAUCAP;
          Select next ITF entry;
        ENDREPEAT;
        CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
END Update_advisory_mode;

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TASK TRACK_INTRUDERS;
  REPEAT WHILE (more intruders in surveillance buffer);
    IF (G.CREFPTR(S.SURVNO) EQ $NULL)
      THEN PERFORM ITF_entry_creation; <uses first two S entries>
        CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
          IN (1, S.ZFLG, ITF.MODC, first alt rpt, S.RRTIME for rpt)
          INOUT (N entry, ITF.NPTR);
        REPEAT WHILE (more surveillance reports for this intruder);
          <begin with second S entry>
            PERFORM Position_tracking;
          ENDREPEAT;
        ELSE point to ITF entry with ITF.IROW = G.CREFPTR(S.SURVNO);
          PERFORM Position_tracking;
    IF (S.MODC EQ $TRUE)
      THEN ITF.IFIRM = N.CASFIRM;
        ITF.BADFOK = 0;
        ITF.ZINT = N.Z, ITF.ZDINT = N.ZD;
        ITF.ZDINR = N.ZDINNER, ITF.ZDOUTR = N.ZDOUTER;
      ELSE IF (ITF.MODC EQ $TRUE) <Mode C intruder became Non-Mode C>
        THEN clear N entry contents and delete N entry;
          IF (ITF.KHIT GT 0 AND ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
            THEN SET ITF.ALTITUDE_LOST;
          ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
          ITF.NPTR = $NULL; <N entry is nonexistent in any case>
        Calculate ITF.BEARING from S.BEAR;
        ITF.BEAROK = S.BEAROK;
        ITF.MODC = S.MODC;
        PERFORM Set_arrow;
        PERFORM On_ground_test;
        Obtain ITF.EQP, ITF.PLINT from surveillance buffer;
        ITF.TDATAI = G.TCUR;
        Select next intruder;
      ENDREPEAT;
    PERFORM Drop_tracks;
  END TRACK_INTRUDERS;

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```
PROCESS ITF_entry_creation;
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< This process uses the first two S data structure entries. >  
< References to "S" below apply to the first entry unless >  
< otherwise specified. The second entry is reused by process >  
< Position_tracking. >
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Create an ITF entry with ITF.IROW = unused row;  
G.CREFPTR(S.SURVNO) = ITF.IROW;  
ITF.CREFNO = S.SURVNO;  
ITF.TPTR, ITF.WPTR = $NULL;  
ITF.IDINT = S.IDINTR;  
ITF.MODC = S.MODC;  
ITF.RRTI = S.RRTIME;  
ITF.DT = Second S.RRTIME - First S.RRTIME;  
ITF.R = First S.RR;  
ITF.RD = (Second S.RR - First S.RR)/ITF.DT;  
ITF.KHIT, ITF.PREWARN, ITF.ARROW = 0;  
CLEAR ITF.DITF, ITF.TAUCAP, ITF.IOGROUN;  
ITF.TATIME = 0;  
CLEAR ITF.REVERSE, ITF.INCREASE;  
CLEAR ITF.INT_CROSS, ITF.OWN_CROSS;  
ITF.LEVELWAIT = 0;  
ITF.TAURISE = 0;  
ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;  
ITF.VALREP = 0;  
CLEAR ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT, ITF.ALTITUDE_LOST, ITF.TRACK_DROP;  
ITF.LEV = 2;
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END ITF_entry_creation;
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PROCESS Position_tracking;

CALL VERTICAL_TRACKING
  IN (0, S.ZFLG, ITF.MODC, S.ZRINT <if any>, S.RRTIME for report)
  INOUT (N entry, ITF.NPTR);
ITF.DT = S.RRTIME - ITF.RRTI;
ITF.RRTI = S.RRTIME;
RP = ITF.R + (ITF.RD*ITF.DT);
IF (S.RFLG EQ $TRUE)
  THEN ITF.R = RP + (P.ALFA * (S.RR-RP));
      ITF.RD = ITF.RD + (P.BETAR * (S.RR-RP)/ITF.DT);
  ELSE ITF.R = RP;
      <ITF.RD unchanged>
IF (ITF.R LT 0)
  THEN ITF.R = 0;
      ITF.RD = MAX(0, ITF.RD);
ITF.RFLG = S.RFLG;
PERFORM Valid_report_test;

END Position_tracking;

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PROCESS Valid_report_test;
  IF (ITF.VALREP GT 3)
    THEN ITF.VALREP = ITF.VALREP - 4;
  ITF.VALREP = 2 * ITF.VALREP;
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  IF (ITF.RFLG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN ITF.VALREP = ITF.VALREP + 1;
END Valid_report_test;
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PROCESS Set_arrow;

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Displays* ▷ *Traffic-Advisories[i]* ▷ *Display-Arrow*

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IF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
  THEN ITF.ARROW = 0;
ELSEIF (N.LASTRAN EQ $START, $OSCIL, or $LONGAGO)
  THEN ITF.ARROW = 0;
ELSEIF (N.LASTRAN EQ $TREND)
  THEN ITF.ARROW = PM(ITF.ZDINT);
OTHERWISE; <don't change arrow when LASTRAN = $GUESS>
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END Set_arrow;

```
PROCESS On_ground_test;

  IF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
    THEN CLEAR ITF.IOGROUN;
  ELSE IF (ITF.IOGROUN EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (ITF.ZINT - G.ZGROUND GT P.NEARGROH)
      THEN CLEAR ITF.IOGROUN;
      ELSE;
    ELSE IF (ITF.ZINT - G.ZGROUND LT P.NEARGROL)
      THEN SET ITF.IOGROUN;
      ELSE;

END On_ground_test;
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PROCESS Drop_tracks;

REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
  <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
  to end. Performance Monitor should recognize
  when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
  seconds and take appropriate action.>
ENDREPEAT;
SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;
G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
  IF (G.TCUR NE ITF.TDATAI)
    THEN IF (ITF.TPTR EQ $NULL OR
             (ITF.TPTR->TF.POOWRAR EQ 0 AND
              ITF.TPTR->TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE))
      THEN G.CREFPTR(ITF.CREFNO) = $NULL;
        Clear all variables and flags in the N entry;
        Delete N entry (if any) addressed by ITF.NPTR;
        IF (ITF.TPTR NE $NULL)
          THEN TF.IPTR = $NULL;
        Clear all variables and flags in the ITF entry;
        Delete ITF entry from ITF;
      ELSE SET ITF.DITF;
        IF (ITF.KHIT GT 0 AND ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
          THEN SET ITF.TRACK_DROP;
        Select next ITF entry;
  ENDREPEAT;
CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

END Drop_tracks;

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ROUTINE VERTICAL_TRACKING
  IN (INIT, ZFLG, MODEC_FLAG, ZREPT, T)
  INOUT (N entry, pointer to N entry);

  IF (MODEC_FLAG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (INIT EQ $TRUE OR no N entry exists for this intruder)
      THEN PERFORM Initialize_vertical_tracker;
      ELSE ZP = N.Z + (T - N.TUPDT)*N.ZD;
      DZM = ZREPT - N.ZSAVE;
      IF (DZM EQ 0)
        THEN CREDREP = 0;
        ELSE CREDREP = ABS(DZM - N.ZD*(T - N.TDAT)) - PN.Q *
          (T - N.TDAT) - PN.GUESRATE * (T - N.TDAT);
      CLEAR OSTOSS;
      IF (ZFLG EQ $FALSE OR CREDREP GT 0)
        THEN CLEAR ZFLG;
        IF (N.TDAT EQ N.TUPDT)
          THEN N.FIPRECO = N.CASFIRM;
          N.CASFIRM = MAX(0, N.CASFIRM-1);
          N.Z = ZP;
        ELSE DBINS = ABS(DZM)/PN.Q;
        IF (DZM EQ 0)
          THEN PERFORM No_transition_update;
          PERFORM No_transition_firmness;
          ELSE PERFORM Transition_update;

      N.TUPDT = T;
      N.BINSTHISZD = MIN(N.BINSTHISZD, 10);
      IF ((ZFLG EQ $TRUE) AND (OSTOSS EQ $FALSE))
        THEN N.TDAT = T;

END VERTICAL_TRACKING;

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```
PROCESS Initialize_vertical_tracker;
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    Obtain an unused N entry and set parameter pointer to it;
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    N.Z = ZREPT;  
    N.ZD = 0;  
    N.TDAT = T;  
    N.ZSAVE = ZREPT;  
    N.TUPDT = N.TDAT;  
    N.TBIN = PN.LARGEPOS;  
    N.BINSTHISZD = 0;  
    N.TTRAN = T;  
    N.RESID = 0;  
    N.DIREC, N.DIRECNZ = 0;  
    N.ZDINNER = -PN.ZDLARGE;  
    N.ZDOUTER = PN.ZDLARGE;  
    N.CASFIRM = 0;  
    N.LASTRAN = $START;  
    N.TTRANGUES = 0;  
    N.TSTART = T;
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END Initialize_vertical_tracker;
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PROCESS No_transition_update;
  TN = (T-N.TTRAN +PN.DT-N.TBIN)/PN.DT;
  IF (TN GT PN.LATELEVEL OR (T-N.TTRAN) GT PN.TGOLEV)
    THEN N.Z = ZREPT;
      N.ZD, N.BINSTHISZD, N.RESID, N.DIREC = 0;
      N.TBIN = PN.LARGEPOS;
      N.LASTRAN = $LONGAGO;
      N.ZDINNER = 0.;
      N.ZDOUTER = N.DIRECNZ * PN.Q/(T - N.TTRAN);
  ELSEIF (TN GE PN.LATESLACK + N.TTRANGUES)
    THEN T7 = N.TBIN + (0.3*N.TBIN + 0.5*PN.DT)*(TN-0.3)**2;
      N.ZD = PM(N.ZD)*ABS(PN.Q/T7);
      N.BINSTHISZD = MAX(2,N.BINSTHISZD-1);
      N.Z = ZREPT + PN.Q*N.DIRECNZ/2;
      N.ZDINNER = 0.;
      N.ZDOUTER = N.DIRECNZ * PN.Q/(T - N.TTRAN);
  OTHERWISE IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $GUESS)
    THEN N.ZD = PN.ZDDECAY*N.ZD;
      N.TBIN = PN.Q/(ABS(N.ZD) + PN.SMALLPOS);
    IF (N.ZD GT 0)
      THEN N.Z = MIN(N.Z + N.ZD*PN.DT, ZREPT + PN.Q/2);
    ELSEIF (N.ZD LT 0)
      THEN N.Z = MAX(N.Z + N.ZD*PN.DT, ZREPT - PN.Q/2);
    IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $LONGAGO OR N.LASTRAN EQ $GUESS)
      THEN N.ZDINNER = 0.;
      N.ZDOUTER = N.DIRECNZ * PN.Q/(T-N.TTRAN+1);
    ELSEIF (N.LASTRAN EQ $TREND AND TN GE 0)
      THEN N.ZDINNER = N.DIRECNZ * MIN(PN.Q/(T-N.TTRAN+1), ABS(N.ZDINNER));
    ELSEIF (N.LASTRAN EQ $START)
      THEN N.ZDINNER = -PN.Q/(T-N.TSTART);
      N.ZDOUTER = -N.ZDINNER;
END No_transition_update;

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PROCESS No_transition_firmness;

  IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $OSCIL)
    THEN IF (N.TDAT NE N.TUPDT)
      THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(N.CASFIRM, N.FIPRECO);
      IF (T-N.TOSCIL GT PN.GUESDU2)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
    ELSEIF ((N.LASTRAN EQ $GUESS) OR (N.LASTRAN EQ $START))
      THEN IF (T-N.TTRAN GE PN.GUESDU1 AND T-N.TTRAN LE PN.GUESDU2)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = 1;
        ELSEIF (T-N.TTRAN GT PN.GUESDU2 AND T-N.TTRAN LE PN.GUESDU3)
          THEN N.CASFIRM = 2;
        ELSEIF (T-N.TTRAN GT PN.GUESDU3)
          THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
        IF (N.TDAT NE N.TUPDT)
          THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(N.FIPRECO, N.CASFIRM);
    ELSEIF (N.LASTRAN EQ $LONGAGO)
      THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
    OTHERWISE IF (TN GT PN.OVERDU2)
      THEN N.CASFIRM = MIN(2, N.CASFIRM+1);
      IF (N.TDAT NE N.TUPDT)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(N.FIPRECO, N.CASFIRM);
      ELSEIF (TN GT PN.OVERDU1)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(0, N.CASFIRM-1);
      OTHERWISE IF (T-N.TTRAN GT PN.GUESDU2)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(2, N.CASFIRM);
        IF (N.TDAT NE N.TUPDT)
          THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(N.FIPRECO, N.CASFIRM);

END No_transition_firmness;

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PROCESS Transition_update;

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ISGN = PM(DZM);
QSIGN = PN.Q * ISGN;
TBINSAVE = N.TBIN;
TPREV = (T-N.TTRAN)/DBINS;
IF (N.DIREC EQ ISGN)
  THEN DELT = TPREV - N.TBIN;
  PREDBINS = (T - N.TDAT)/N.TBIN;
  IF ((N.BINSTHISZD LE 0) OR (ABS(DELT) GT PN.EARLYLATE*PN.DT+N.TTRA
    OR (DBINS LT (PREDBINS-1.1)) OR (DBINS GT (PREDBINS+1.1)))
    THEN NEW_TBINMIN = MIN(PN.TBINMIN, (0.7*TPREV + 0.3*N.TBIN));
    N.TBIN = MAX(TPREV, NEW_TBINMIN);
    N.RESID = 0;
    N.BINSTHISZD = 1;
    N.ZD = QSIGN/N.TBIN;
    N.Z = ZREPT - QSIGN/2 + N.ZD*PN.DT/2;
  ELSE N.RESID = PN.RESIDIMIN*N.RESID + DELT;
    IF (ABS(N.RESID) LE PN.SLITEOFF+N.TTRANGUES)
      THEN BLIM = (N.TBIN-PN.SHORT)**2 / (N.TBIN**2 + PN.SECsq);
      BETA1 = MAX(DBINS/(N.BINSTHISZD+DBINS), BLIM);
      N.BINSTHISZD = N.BINSTHISZD + DBINS;
    ELSE BETA1 = PN.TBINBETA;
      N.BINSTHISZD = 3;
      N.RESID = N.RESID * PN.RESIDECAY;
      N.TBIN = N.TBIN + BETA1 * (TPREV-N.TBIN);
      N.ZD = QSIGN/N.TBIN;
      N.Z = ZREPT - QSIGN/2 + N.ZD*PN.DT/2;
  PERFORM Transition_firmness;
  N.LASTRAN = $TREND;
  ELSE PERFORM Unexpected_transition;
PERFORM Transition_time_and_bin;
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END Transition_update;

```
PROCESS Transition_firmness;

  IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $OSCIL OR N.LASTRAN EQ $GUESS)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = 2;
        N.ZDINNER = N.ZD*(T-N.TTRAN-1)/(T-N.TTRAN);
        N.ZDOUTER = PN.ZDFRACC*N.ZD*(T-N.TTRAN+1)/(T-N.TTRAN);

    ELSE PERFORM Transition_set_casfirm;
        PERFORM Transition_set_rate_limits;

END Transition_firmness;
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PROCESS Transition_set_casfirm;

  IF (PN.LO3 LE (TPREV/TBINSAVE) LE PN.HI3)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
  ELSEIF (PN.LO2 LE (TPREV/TBINSAVE) LE PN.HI2)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = 2;
  ELSEIF (PN.LO1 LE (TPREV/TBINSAVE) LE PN.HI1)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = 1;
  OTHERWISE N.CASFIRM = 0;

  IF (ABS(DELT) LT PN.OUT3)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
  ELSEIF (ABS(DELT) LT PN.OUT2)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(2, N.CASFIRM);
  OTHERWISE ;

  IF (TPREV GT PN.SLACKEN2)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(2, N.CASFIRM);
  ELSEIF (TPREV GT PN.SLACKEN1)
    THEN N.CASFIRM = MAX(1, N.CASFIRM);
  OTHERWISE ;

END Transition_set_casfirm;

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PROCESS Transition_set_rate_limits;

IF (N.CASFIRM EQ 3 OR ABS(DELT) LT PN.OUT2)
  THEN N.ZDINNER = N.ZD*(N.BINSTHISZD*(T-N.TTRAN)-1)/(N.BINSTHISZD*(T-N.TTR
    N.ZDOUTER = N.ZD*(N.BINSTHISZD*(T-N.TTRAN)+1)/(N.BINSTHISZD*(T-N.TTRAN));
ELSEIF (TPREV/TBINSAVE LT 1)
  THEN N.ZDINNER = QSIGN/TBINSAVE;
    N.ZDOUTER = PN.ZDFRACC * QSIGN/MAX(T-N.TTRAN-1, 1);
OTHERWISE IF (N.TDAT NE N.TUPDT)
  THEN BINFIRS = N.TTRAN + (DBINS*N.TBIN) - PN.DUE2;
    BINLAST = N.TTRAN + ((DBINS+1)*N.TBIN) + PN.DUE2;
    IF (BINFIRS LE T AND T LE BINLAST)
      THEN N.CASFIRM = 2;
        ELSE N.CASFIRM = 0;
          N.ZDINNER = 0;
            N.ZDOUTER = ISGN * MAX(PN.Q / (T-N.TTRAN),
              ABS(N.ZDOUTER));
        ELSE N.ZDINNER = 0;
          N.ZDOUTER = ISGN * MAX(PN.Q/(T-N.TTRAN), ABS(N.ZDOUTER));

END Transition_set_rate_limits;

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PROCESS Unexpected_transition;

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IF (N.DIREC EQ 0 OR DBINS GT 1)
  THEN N.CASFIRM = 0;
      N.LASTRAN = $GUESS;
      N.ZD = PN.GUESRATE * ISGN;
      N.Z = ZREPT - QSIGN/2 + N.ZD*PN.DT/2;
      N.TBIN = PN.Q/ABS(N.ZD);
      N.BINSTHISZD, N.RESID = 0;
      N.ZDINNER = 0;
      N.ZDOUTER = ISGN * PN.ZDLIKELY;
ELSE IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $TREND AND (TPREV/N.TBIN) LE PN.ZRJET)
  THEN N.CASFIRM, N.ZDINNER = 0;
      SET OSTOSS;
  ELSE N.Z = ZREPT - (PM(DZM)*PN.Q/3);
      N.ZD, N.BINSTHISZD, N.RESID = 0;
      N.TBIN = PN.LARGEPOS;
      IF (N.LASTRAN EQ $OSCIL)
        THEN N.CASFIRM = 3;
        ELSE N.CASFIRM = 2;
            N.LASTRAN = $OSCIL;
            N.TOSCIL = N.TTRAN;
      N.ZDINNER, N.ZDOUTER = 0;
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END Unexpected_transition;

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PROCESS Transition_time_and_bin;

  IF (OSTOSS EQ $FALSE)
    THEN N.ZSAVE = ZREPT;
    N.TTRANGUES = 0;
    IF (N.TDAT GE N.TUPDT)
      THEN N.TTRAN = T;
      ELSE N.TTRANGUES = PN.TRANGU;
      IF (N.DIREC EQ ISGN)
        THEN VARNOQCH = 0.5*QSIGN*(T - N.TDAT)/DZM;
        N.TTRAN = MIN(T-VARNOQCH, N.TTRAN+DBINS*TBINSAVE);
        N.TTRAN = MAX(N.TDAT, N.TTRAN);
        ELSE N.TTRAN = (T*DBINS+N.TDAT)/(DBINS+1);
      N.DIREC, N.DIRECNZ = PM(DZM);

END Transition_time_and_bin;

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FUNCTION PM
  IN (ARG)
  OUT (PM);

  FLT ARG;
  INT PM;

  IF (ARG GE 0)
    THEN PM = +1;
    ELSE PM = -1;

END PM;
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<***DETECT TASK LOCAL VARIABLES***>

STRUCTURE DETVAR

GROUP settable

FLT DMOD <Incremental range protection>
FLT H1 <Range-range rate hyperbola threshold>
FLT TRTHR <Range tau threshold>
FLT TVPCMD <Max tau for VMD computation>
FLT TVTHR <Time-to-coaltitude threshold>

GROUP flags

BIT CLIMB_SENSE <Climb sense selected based on modeling>
BIT DESCEND_SENSE <Descend sense selected based on modeling>
BIT HITFLG <Hit/miss flag>
BIT RHIT <Range hit flag>
BIT ZHIT <Altitude hit flag>

GROUP calculated

INT COUNT <Number of threats>
FLT HMD <Range at coaltitude (hor miss distance)>
INT VERTICAL_INTENT <Local copy of TCAS threat's vertical intent>
FLT RDTEMP
FLT T1
FLT T3

<***DETECT TASK LOCAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>

GROUP badfirm_model

FLT TAULIM

FLT TRTLIM

BITS VRAC(10) <Advisory modeled for climb sense>

BITS VRAD(10) <Advisory modeled for descend sense>

FLT ZCLM1 <Own altitude at TRTRU given climb>

FLT ZCLM2 <Own altitude at TAUR given climb>

FLT ZDES1 <Own altitude at TRTRU given descend>

FLT ZDES2 <Own altitude at TAUR given descend>

FLT ZDIHI <Upper vertical rate limit>

FLT ZDILO <Lower vertical rate limit>

FLT ZDINTC1 <Intruder altitude at TRTRU given upper-limit rate>

FLT ZDINTC2 <Intruder altitude at TAUR given upper-limit rate>

FLT ZDINTD1 <Intruder altitude at TRTRU given lower-limit rate>

FLT ZDINTD2 <Intruder altitude at TAUR given lower-limit rate>

FLT ZMPCLM <Separation resulting from climb>

FLT ZMPDES <Separation resulting from descend>

GROUP vmd_calc

FLT CLIP <Ceiling on taus>

FLT RELZ <Relative altitude>

FLT RELZD <Relative altitude rate>

FLT TAU1 <Tau at end of critical interval>

FLT TAU2 <Tau at beginning of critical interval>

FLT VMD <Vertical miss distance>

FLT VMD1 <Vertical miss distance at end of critical interval>

FLT VMD2 <Vertical miss distance at beginning of critical inte

ENDSTRUCTURE;

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TASK DETECT_CONFLICTS;

  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
    IF (ITF.DITF EQ $TRUE OR ITF.ALTITUDE_LOST EQ $TRUE)
      THEN add track to Working List with WL.STATUS = $TERM;
    ELSE IF (ITF.MODC EQ $TRUE)
      THEN PERFORM Set_detection_parameters;
           PERFORM Hit_or_miss_test;
           PERFORM Set_up_working_list;
    Select next ITF entry;
  ENDREPEAT;

  PERFORM Test_for_multiaircraft_conflict;

END DETECT_CONFLICTS;
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PROCESS Set_detection_parameters;
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    ITF.LEV = MAX(G.INDEX, ITF.PLINT); <note PLINT=0 for unequipped threat>
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    DMOD = P.DMODTBL(ITF.LEV);
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    TVPCMD = P.TVPCTBL(ITF.LEV);
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    H1 = P.H1TBL(ITF.LEV);
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    IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
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        THEN TRTHR = P.TRTETBL(ITF.LEV);
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            TVTHR = P.TVTETBL(ITF.LEV);
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        ELSE TRTHR = P.TRTUTBL(ITF.LEV);
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            TVTHR = P.TVTUTBL(ITF.LEV);
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END Set_detection_parameters;
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PROCESS Hit_or_miss_test;
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<Test for conflict criteria ('hit') >
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IF (ITF.IOGROUN EQ $TRUE)
  THEN CLEAR HITFLG;
  ITF.PREWARN = 0;
  ITF.LEVELWAIT = 0;
  IF (ITF.KHIT EQ 1 AND ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
    THEN SET ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT;
ELSE ITF.RZ = G.ZOWN - ITF.ZINT;
  ITF.RZD = G.ZDOWN - ITF.ZDINT;
  RDTEMP = ITF.RD;
  ITF.A = ABS(ITF.RZ);
  ITF.ADOT = ITF.RZD * SIGN(ITF.RZ);
  PERFORM Range_test;
  IF (ITF.RD GT 0)
    THEN ITF.VMD = ITF.RZ;
    ELSE CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION
      IN (ITF.RZ, ITF.RZD, ITF.TRTRU, ITF.TAUR, TVPCMD)
      OUT (ITF.VMD);
  IF (RHIT EQ $FALSE)
    THEN CLEAR HITFLG;
    IF (ITF.KHIT EQ 1 AND ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
      THEN SET ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT;
    ELSE IF (ITF.KHIT EQ 0)
      THEN PERFORM Altitude_test;
      IF (ZHIT EQ $FALSE)
        THEN CLEAR HITFLG;
        ELSE PERFORM Track_firmness_test;
    ELSE SET HITFLG;
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END Hit_or_miss_test;
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PROCESS Range_test;

  IF (ITF.RD GT P.RDTHR)
    THEN ITF.TAUR, ITF.TRTRU, ITF.TAUV = P.MINTAU;
    CLEAR ITF.TAUCAP;
    IF (ITF.R * ITF.RD GT H1 OR ITF.R GT DMOD)
      THEN CLEAR RHIT;
      IF (ITF.KHIT = 0)
        THEN ITF.PREWARN = 0;
        ITF.LEVELWAIT = 0;
      ELSE SET RHIT;
    ELSE IF (ITF.RD GE -P.RDTHR)
      THEN RDTEMP = -P.RDTHR;
    PERFORM Tau_calculation;
    IF (ITF.TAUR LT TRTHR AND ITF.R LE P.RMAX)
      THEN SET RHIT;
      ELSE IF (ITF.R GT DMOD OR ABS(ITF.R*ITF.RD) GT H1)
        THEN CLEAR RHIT;
        ELSE SET RHIT;
  IF (RHIT EQ $TRUE AND ITF.KHIT EQ 0 AND ITF.TAURISE GE 3)
    THEN CLEAR RHIT;

END Range_test;

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PROCESS Tau_calculation;

  IF (ITF.R GT 0)
    THEN T1 = -(ITF.R-((DMOD**2)/ITF.R))/RDTEMP;
    ELSE T1 = P.MINTAU;
  T3 = -ITF.R/RDTEMP;
  IF (ITF.TAUCAP EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (T3 LT ITF.TRTRU)
      THEN ITF.TAURISE = 0;
      ELSE IF (ITF.R GT P.NAFRANGE)
        THEN ITF.TAURISE = ITF.TAURISE + 1;
      ITF.TAUR = MIN(T1, ITF.TAUR);
      ITF.TRTRU = MIN(T3, ITF.TRTRU);
    ELSE ITF.TAUR = T1;
      ITF.TRTRU = T3;
      ITF.TAURISE = 0;
  ITF.TAUR = MAX(P.MINTAU, ITF.TAUR);
  ITF.TRTRU = MAX(P.MINTAU, ITF.TRTRU);
  SET ITF.TAUCAP;

END Tau_calculation;

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PROCESS Altitude_test;

  IF (ITF.A LT G.ZTHR)
    THEN IF (ABS(ITF.VMD) LT G.ZTHR)
      THEN SET ZHIT;
      ELSE CLEAR ZHIT;

    ELSE IF (ITF.ADOT GE P.ZDTHR)
      THEN CLEAR ZHIT;
      ELSE ITF.TAUV = -ITF.A/ITF.ADOT;
      HMD = ITF.R + ITF.RD*ITF.TAUV;
      IF (ITF.TAUV LT TVTHR AND
        ((ABS(ITF.VMD) LT G.ZTHR) OR
        (ABS(HMD) LT DMOD AND ITF.TAUV LT ITF.TRTRU)))
        THEN SET ZHIT;
        ELSE CLEAR ZHIT;

END Altitude_test;

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PROCESS Track_firmness_test;
<Range and alt. tests passed. Check firmness and delay 'hit' if time permit
  CLEAR HITFLG;
  IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
    THEN VERTICAL_INTENT = 0;
    IF (ITF.TPTR NE $NULL)
      THEN REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
        <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state
          to end. Performance Monitor should recognize
          when TCAS has been locked for more than P.TUNLOCK
          seconds and take appropriate action.>
      ENDREPEAT;
      SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set
        instruction;
      G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
      VERTICAL_INTENT = ITF.TPTR->TF.POTHRAR(1);
      CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;
    IF (VERTICAL_INTENT NE 0)
      THEN SET HITFLG;
      ELSE IF (ITF.VALREP EQ 3 OR ITF.VALREP EQ 5 OR ITF.VALREP EQ
        THEN IF (ITF.TAUR LT P.FRTHR(ITF.LEV, ITF.IFIRM))
          THEN SET HITFLG;
            PERFORM Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;
            IF (HITFLG EQ $TRUE)
              THEN PERFORM Alt_separation_test;
            ELSE PERFORM Model_worst_rate_errors;
            PERFORM Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;
      IF (HITFLG EQ $TRUE)
        THEN ITF.LEVELWAIT = 0;
      ELSE IF (ITF.TAUR LT P.FRTHR(ITF.LEV, ITF.IFIRM))
        THEN SET HITFLG;
          PERFORM Alt_separation_test;
          ELSE PERFORM Model_worst_rate_errors;
          PERFORM Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;
END Track_firmness_test;

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PROCESS Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;

  IF (ITF.TPTR EQ $NULL)
    THEN IF ((ABS(ITF.ZDINT) GT P.OLEV) AND
             (ABS(G.ZDOWN) LE P.OLEV))
      THEN IF ((ITF.RZ GT P.MINSEP AND ITF.VMD LE 0) OR
              (ITF.RZ LT -P.MINSEP AND ITF.VMD GE 0))
        THEN IF (ITF.LEVELWAIT LE P.WTTHR)
          THEN ITF.LEVELWAIT = ITF.LEVELWAIT + 1;
             CLEAR HITFLG;

END Avoid_TCAS_TCAS_crossings;
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PROCESS Alt_separation_test;

  IF (ABS(G.ZDOWN) LE P.OLEV AND ITF.A GT P.MAXALTDIFF)
    THEN CLEAR CLIMB_SENSE, DESCEND_SENSE;
    CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
      IN (ITF entry)
      OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);
    IF (ZMPCLM GT ZMPDES)
      THEN SET CLIMB_SENSE;
    ELSEIF (G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE AND (ZMPCLM+P.NOZCROSS) GT ZMPDES)
      THEN SET CLIMB_SENSE;
    OTHERWISE SET DESCEND_SENSE;
    IF (ITF.RZ GE P.MINSEP)
      THEN IF (DESCEND_SENSE EQ $TRUE AND ZMPCLM GE G.ALIM)
        THEN CLEAR DESCEND_SENSE;
        SET CLIMB_SENSE;
    IF (ITF.RZ LE -P.MINSEP)
      THEN IF (CLIMB_SENSE EQ $TRUE AND ZMPDES GE G.ALIM)
        THEN CLEAR CLIMB_SENSE;
        SET DESCEND_SENSE;
    IF ((CLIMB_SENSE EQ $TRUE AND ITF.RZ LT 0) OR
        (DESCEND_SENSE EQ $TRUE AND ITF.RZ GT 0))
      THEN CLEAR HITFLG;

END Alt_separation_test;

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PROCESS Model_worst_rate_errors;

  TRTLIM = MIN(ITF.TRTRU, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV));
  TAULIM = MIN(ITF.TAUR, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV));
  TAULIM = MAX(P.MINTAUM, TAULIM);
  ZDIHI = MAX(ITF.ZDINR, ITF.ZDOUTR);
  ZDILO = MIN(ITF.ZDINR, ITF.ZDOUTR);
  CLEAR All bits in VRAC, VRAD;
  IF (G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE OR G.RA(6) EQ $TRUE)
    THEN SET VRAC(2); <Don't descend>
    ELSE SET VRAC(1); <Climb>
  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL <Chapter 6>
    IN (G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, VRAC, P.TV1, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
    OUT (ZCLM1, ZCLM2);
  IF (G.RA(1) EQ $TRUE)
    THEN SET VRAD(7); <Don't climb>
    ELSE SET VRAD(6); <Descend>
  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, VRAD, P.TV1, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
    OUT (ZDES1, ZDES2);
  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (ITF.ZINT, ZDIHI, 0, 0, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
    OUT (ZDINTC1, ZDINTC2);
  CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (ITF.ZINT, ZDILO, 0, 0, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
    OUT (ZDINTD1, ZDINTD2);
  CALL SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL <Chapter 6>
    IN (ZCLM1, ZCLM2, ZDINTC1, ZDINTC2, ZDINTD1, ZDINTD2, ZDES1, ZDES2)
    OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);

END Model_worst_rate_errors;

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```

PROCESS Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;

  IF (MAX(ZMPCLM, ZMPDES) LE G.SENSFIRM)
    THEN CLEAR HITFLG;
      ITF.PREWARN = ITF.PREWARN + 1;
    ELSE SET HITFLG;

      IF (ZMPCLM GT ZMPDES)
        THEN ITF.BADFOK = +1;
          ITF.SECH = ZMPDES;
        ELSE IF (G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE AND (ZMPCLM+P.NOZCROSS) GT ZMPDES)
          THEN ITF.BADFOK = +1;
            ITF.SECH = ZMPDES;
          ELSE ITF.BADFOK = -1;
            ITF.SECH = ZMPCLM;
        IF (((ITF.BADFOK EQ 1) AND (ITF.RZ LT -P.LOWFIRMZR))
          OR ((ITF.BADFOK EQ -1) AND (ITF.RZ GT P.LOWFIRMZR)))
          THEN CLEAR HITFLG;
            ITF.PREWARN = ITF.PREWARN + 1;
            ITF.BADFOK = 0;
            ITF.SECH = 0;

END Evaluate_low_firmness_separation;

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```
PROCESS Set_up_working_list;
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  IF (HITFLG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN ITF.TACODE = $RA;
      IF (ITF.KHIT EQ 0)
        THEN add to list with WL.STATUS = $NEW;
        ELSE add to list with WL.STATUS = $CONT;
      ITF.KHIT = 3;
    ELSE ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
      IF (ITF.KHIT GT 0)
        THEN IF (ITF.KHIT EQ 1)
          THEN IF (G.TCUR - ITF.TCMD GT P.TMIN-1)
            THEN add to list with WL.STATUS = $TERM;
            ITF.KHIT = 0;
            ELSE add to list with WL.STATUS = $CONT;
            ITF.TACODE = $RA;
            CLEAR ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT;
          ELSE add to list with WL.STATUS = $CONT;
          ITF.KHIT = 1;
          ITF.TACODE = $RA;
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< Note: when entry added to WL, ITF.WPTR should be set to its address. >
< Entries must be ordered with WL.STATUS = $TERM first, = $NEW next, >
< and $CONT last. >
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```
END Set_up_working_list;
```

```
PROCESS Test_for_multiaircraft_conflict;

    CLEAR G.MACFLG;
    COUNT = 0;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Working List);
        IF (WL.STATUS EQ $NEW OR WL.STATUS EQ $CONT)
            THEN COUNT = COUNT + 1;
        Select next WL entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (COUNT GT 1)
        THEN SET G.MACFLG;

END Test_for_multiaircraft_conflict;
```



```
ROUTINE VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION
  IN (RELZ, RELZD, TAU1, TAU2, CLIP)
  OUT (VMD);
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<TAU1 is the TRTRU argument. TAU2 is the TAUR argument.>

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VMD1 = RELZ + RELZD*MIN(CLIP,TAU1);
VMD2 = RELZ + RELZD*MIN(CLIP,TAU2);
IF (VMD1 * VMD2 LE 0)
  THEN VMD = 0;
ELSEIF (VMD1 GT 0)
  THEN VMD = MIN(VMD1, VMD2);
OTHERWISE VMD = MAX(VMD1, VMD2);
```

```
END VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION;
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STRUCTURE RESVAR

<***RESOLUTION LOCAL VARIABLES***>

GROUP sense

FLT ALT_DIFF <Difference between intruder's projected and
own's current altitude>
INT COMPLEMENT <Numeric value of complement of intent>
FLT DELAYC <Pilot delay modeled for climb sense>
FLT DELAYD <Pilot delay modeled for descend sense>
INT DIRECTION
FLT OWNLEV
FLT RELALT
BIT RVSFLAG
BIT SKIP_CALC
FLT TACC <Time to accelerate>
FLT TAGR <Time at goal rate>
FLT TAIR <Time at initial rate (delay time)>
FLT TAULIM
FLT TAUM
FLT TDGR
FLT TESC
FLT TRTLIM <Time to closest approach (with ceiling)>
FLT TUGR
FLT VMDO
BITS VRAC(10)
BITS VRAD(10)
FLT ZDACC
FLT ZDGOAL
FLT ZDMAX
FLT ZDMIN
FLT ZMPCLM <Separation given climb sense>
FLT ZMPDES <Separation given descend sense>
FLT ZMPSECH <Separation given second-choice sense>
FLT ZPINT
FLT ZPOWN
FLT ZPROJ

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<***RESOLUTION LOCAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>
GROUP select_advisory
  FLT ALIMOD <Modification to ALIM (hysteresis)>
  FLT AVSL
  BIT CONSIDER_INCREASE <Flag set by reversal logic to consider increase rat
  BIT INTTHR <TRUE => separation falls within given threshold>
  FLT NOWEAKEN_TIME <Time advisory not allowed to weaken>
  FLT OLDGOAL
  BITS OWNTENT(12) <Advisory for WL (input) threat>
  FLT POSITN
  FLT RELZ
  FLT RELZD
  FLT SEP
  FLT THRHLDD
  FLT VO
  BIT VSLOK <TRUE => given VSL or neg RA is safe>
  FLT VVMD
  FLT ZDOW
GROUP multiaircraft
  BIT ABOVE <TRUE => intruder to pass above own (DESC sense)>
  BIT BELOW <TRUE => intruder to pass below own (CLIMB sense)>
  INT MACNPTR(20)
  INT MACOPTR(20)
  INT N
  INT NUMBPOI <Number of advisory changes due to multiaircraft logi
  BIT SENSE
  BIT SENSE_SET
  BIT TYPE <TRUE => threats are resolved in both senses>
GROUP threat_file_update
  INT IND1
  INT IND2
  INT OLDPOI <Advisory to delete>
  INT OPTR <Advisory to add>
  INT RAIND
  BIT SUCCESS

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<***RESOLUTION LOCAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>
GROUP coordination
  INT SIT
  INT TRY <Number of failed coordination attempts>
GROUP modeling
  FLT ACCEL <Vertical acceleration to model>
  FLT A1
  FLT A2
  FLT A3
  FLT A4
  FLT A5
  FLT A6
  FLT A7
  FLT A8
  FLT DELAY
  FLT HVEQ
  FLT PROJ_ZDINT <Int. projected alt. at CPA using ZDINT>
  FLT TAUARG
  FLT TPROJ
  FLT TV <Pilot response delay time to model>
  FLT T1
  FLT VARG
  FLT VPROJ
  BITS VRA(10)
  FLT Z
  FLT ZCLM1
  FLT ZCLM2
  FLT ZD
  FLT ZDES1
  FLT ZDES2
  FLT ZDI
  FLT ZPIN1
  FLT ZPIN2
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<***RESOLUTION LOCAL VARIABLES CONTINUED***>

FLT ZPR1

FLT ZPR2

ENDSTRUCTURE;

TASK RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION

```
IN (WL entry);
  Pointer to ITF = WL.IPTR, pointer to TF = ITF.TPTR;
  REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
    <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end. Performance
      Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been locked for more than
      P.TUNLOCK seconds and take appropriate action.>
  ENDREPEAT;
  SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;
  G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;
  IF (WL.STATUS EQ $TERM)
    THEN PERFORM Update_threat_file_own;
      CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY
        IN (OLDPOI);
      CLEAR ITF.REVERSE, ITF.INCREASE;
  ELSEIF (WL.STATUS EQ $NEW)
    THEN CLEAR All bits in OWNTENT;
      SET OWNTENT(4);
      PERFORM New_threat_file_entry;
      PERFORM Select_sense;
  OTHERWISE OWNTENT = TF.PERMTENT;
  IF (WL.STATUS EQ $NEW OR WL.STATUS EQ $CONT)
    THEN PERFORM Process_new_or_continuing_threat;
  IF (WL.STATUS EQ $TERM OR TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE)
    THEN send Coordination Update msg to transponder with:  ARA=G.RA,RAC=G.INT
  IF (G.OPFLG EQ $TRUE AND ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
    THEN PERFORM Send_initial_intent;
  CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK
  IF (G.OPFLG EQ $TRUE AND ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
    THEN PERFORM Complete_send_intent;
END RESOLUTION_AND_COORDINATION;
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PROCESS Update_threat_file_own;

  IF (WL.STATUS EQ $TERM)
    THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEXT;
    OLDPOI = TF.POOWRAR;
    OPTR = 0;
    IF (TF.POTHRAR(1) NE 0 OR TF.POTHRAR(2) NE 0)
      THEN TF.POOWRAR = 0;
      CLEAR All bits in TF.PERMTEXT;
      TF.TLRCMD = G.TCUR;
    ELSE IF TF.TPTR = $NULL;
      Clear all variables and flags in TF entry
      and delete TF entry;
    ELSE IF (OWNTENT NE TF.PERMTEXT)
      THEN TF.PERMTEXT = OWNTENT;
      IF.TCMD = G.TCUR;
    OPTR = RAMAP(OWNTENT);
    OLDPOI = TF.POOWRAR;
    TF.POOWRAR = OPTR;
    TF.TLRCMD = G.TCUR;

END Update_threat_file_own;

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PROCESS New_threat_file_entry;

  CLEAR SUCCESS;
  IF (ITF.EQP NE $ATCRBS)
    THEN REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF AND SUCCESS EQ $FALSE);
      IF (ITF.IDINT EQ TF.ID)
        THEN SET SUCCESS;
        ELSE select next TF entry;
      ENDREPEAT;
  IF (SUCCESS EQ $FALSE)
    THEN create new TF entry;
      TF.ID = ITF.IDINT;
      TF.POOWRAR, TF.POTHRAR(1), TF.POTHRAR(2) = 0;
      TF.TTHLRMC = P.TINIT;
      CLEAR TF.DEFER_DISPLAY;
      TF.DEFER_COUNT = 0;
      CLEAR All bits in TF.TEMPRA;
      CLEAR All bits in TF.PERMTENT;
  TF.IPTR = ITF.IROW;
  TF.TLRCMD = G.TCUR;
  SET TF.NEW;
  CLEAR ITF.REVERSE, ITF.INCREASE, ITF.INC_ENC, ITF.TIEBREAKER_REVERSAL;
  ITF.INCTIME = 0;
  ITF.TCMD = G.TCUR;
  ITF.TPTR = address of TF entry;

END New_threat_file_entry;

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PROCESS Select_sense;
  IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS AND TF.POTHRAR(1) EQ 1 or 2)
    THEN PERFORM Form_complement; <complement of threat's sense>
    CLEAR ITF.DCFLG;
  ELSE IF (ITF.BADFOK EQ 0)
    THEN CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
      IN (ITF entry)
      OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);
    IF (ZMPCLM GT ZMPDES)
      THEN CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
      ZMPSECH = ZMPDES;
    ELSEIF (G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE AND (ZMPCLM+P.NOZCROSS) GT ZMPDES)
      THEN CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
      ZMPSECH = ZMPDES;
    OTHERWISE SET OWNTENT(7);
      ZMPSECH = ZMPCLM;
    IF (ITF.RZ GE P.MINSEP)
      THEN IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE) AND (ZMPCLM GE G.ALIM))
        THEN CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
        ZMPSECH = ZMPDES;
    IF (ITF.RZ LE -P.MINSEP)
      THEN IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE) AND (ZMPDES GE G.ALIM))
        THEN SET OWNTENT(7);
        ZMPSECH = ZMPCLM;
  ELSEIF (ITF.BADFOK EQ 1)
    THEN CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
    ZMPSECH = ITF.SECH;
  OTHERWISE SET OWNTENT(7);
    ZMPSECH = ITF.SECH;
  IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
    THEN PERFORM TCAS_threat_processing;
    ELSE PERFORM Don't_care_test;
END Select_sense;

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```
PROCESS Form_complement;  
  
    COMPLEMENT = TF.POTHRAR(1) - 1;  
    IF (COMPLEMENT EQ 1)  
        THEN SET OWNTENT(7);  
        ELSE CLEAR OWNTENT(7);  
  
END Form_complement;
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```
PROCESS TCAS_threat_processing;

    CLEAR ITF.DCFLG;
    IF (G.IDOWN GT ITF.IDINT)
        THEN SET TF.DEFER_DISPLAY;
            TF.DEFER_COUNT = 0;
            ITF.TACODE = $TAMC;
            TF.EMPRA = OWNTENT;
            TF.POOWRAR = 0;
            CLEAR All bits in TF.PERMTEENT;

END TCAS_threat_processing;
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```

PROCESS Don't_care_test;

  IF (ZMPSECH GE G.ALIM)
    THEN SET ITF.DCFLG;
    ELSE CLEAR ITF.DCFLG;
    IF ( (G.RA(1) EQ $TRUE AND OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE)
      OR (G.RA(6) EQ $TRUE AND OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE))
      THEN OWNLEV = G.ZOWN + P.OWNDEL*G.ZDOWN;
      Save current TF pointer;
      REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF AND ITF.DCFLG EQ $FALSE);
        IF (TF.PERMTE(4,5) EQ '10' AND TF.PERMTE(7) NE
          OWNTENT(7) AND TF.IPTR NE $NULL)
          THEN RELALT = OWNLEV - TF.IPTR->ITF.ZINT;
          TAUM = MIN(MAX(ITF.TAUR,P.MINTAUM), ITF.TRTRU);
          CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION <Chap 5>
            IN (RELALT, TF.IPTR->ITF.ZDINT, TAUM,
              ITF.TRTRU, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV))
            OUT (VMDO);
          IF (ABS(VMDO) LT ZMPSECH)
            THEN SET ITF.DCFLG;
        Select next TF entry;
      ENDREPEAT;
      Restore current TF pointer;

END Don't_care_test;

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```

PROCESS Process_new_or_continuing_threat;

  IF (WL.STATUS EQ $CONT AND ITF.KHIT EQ 3)
    THEN PERFORM Reversal_check;
  IF (TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE)
    THEN PERFORM Select_advisory;
    IF (G.MACFLG EQ $TRUE)
      THEN PERFORM Multiaircraft_processing;
      ELSE PERFORM Update_threat_file_own;
      Save current TF pointer;
      CALL RESOLUTION_UPDATE
        IN (OLDPOI, OPTR);
      Restore current TF pointer;
    IF (WL.STATUS EQ $CONT AND ITF.KHIT EQ 3)
      THEN PERFORM Increase_check;
    ELSE TF.TLRCMD = G.TCUR;

END Process_new_or_continuing_threat;

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PROCESS Reversal_check;

```
CLEAR CONSIDER_INCREASE;
IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS)
  THEN IF (G.IDOWN GT ITF.IDINT)
    THEN IF (TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $TRUE)
      THEN OWNTENT = TF.TEMPRA;
      TF.DEFER_COUNT = TF.DEFER_COUNT + 1;
    IF ((TF.POTHRAR(1) EQ 1 AND OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE) OR
      (TF.POTHRAR(1) EQ 2 AND OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE))
      THEN PERFORM Form_complement;
      SET ITF.TIEBREAKER_REVERSAL;
      IF (TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE)
        THEN SET ITF.REVERSE;
    IF ((TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $TRUE AND (TF.DEFER_COUNT GT
      P.WTTHR OR TF.POTHRAR(1) NE 0))
      OR (ITF.REVERSE EQ $TRUE))
      THEN PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
      CLEAR TF.DEFER_DISPLAY;
    IF (TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $TRUE)
      THEN ITF.TACODE = $TAMC;
  ELSE IF (ITF.TRTRU GT P.MIN_RI_TIME AND ITF.TAURISE LT 3)
    THEN IF (ITF.INC_ENC EQ $FALSE
      AND (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $TRUE OR ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $TRUE))
      THEN PROJ_ZDINT = ITF.ZINT + (ITF.TRTRU * ITF.ZDINT);
      PERFORM Reversal_proj_check;
      IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $FALSE AND
        ITF.TRTRU LE P.MINRVSTIME)
        THEN SET CONSIDER_INCREASE;
      ELSE PERFORM Cross_through_check;
```

END Reversal_check;

```
PROCESS Set_up_for_advisory;

    CLEAR OWNTENT(5,6,11,12);
    TF.PERM TENT = OWNTENT;
    ITF.TCMD = G.TCUR;
    IF (ITF.EQP NE $TCAS)
        THEN PERFORM Dont_care_test;

END Set_up_for_advisory;
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PROCESS Reversal_proj_check;
  IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND ITF.RZ LE -P.AVEVALT) OR
      (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND ITF.RZ GE P.AVEVALT) OR (ITF.TRTRU GT
      P.MINRVSTIME AND ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND ITF.RZ LE -P.CROSST
      OR (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND ITF.RZ GE P.CROSSTHR))))
  THEN IF (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND G.ZOWN LT PROJ_ZDINT)
        OR (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND G.ZOWN GT PROJ_ZDINT))
      THEN SET ITF.REVERSE;
  ELSEIF (ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND G.ZOWN GT PROJ_ZDINT)
        OR (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND G.ZOWN LT PROJ_ZDINT))
      THEN CLEAR ITF.OWN_CROSS, SET ITF.INT_CROSS;
    ELSE IF ((G.MACFLG EQ $FALSE) OR
        (ABS(ITF.ZDINT) GE P.OLEV AND
        (G.ZDMODEL * ITF.ZDINT) LT 0))
      THEN CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
        IN (ITF entry)
        OUT (ZMPCLM,ZMPDES);
      IF (ZMPCLM GT ZMPDES)
        THEN IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND
            ZMPCLM GT (ZMPDES+P.NOZCROSS))
          THEN SET ITF.REVERSE;
        ELSEIF (G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE AND
            (ZMPCLM+P.NOZCROSS) LT ZMPDES)
          THEN IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
            ZMPDES GT (ZMPCLM+2*P.NOZCROSS))
            THEN SET ITF.REVERSE;
        OTHERWISE IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
            ZMPDES GT (ZMPCLM+P.NOZCROSS))
          THEN SET ITF.REVERSE;
    OTHERWISE;
  IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $TRUE)
    THEN PERFORM Reversal_modeling;
END Reversal_proj_check;

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```
PROCESS Reversal_modeling;

    CALL MODEL_MANEUVERS
        IN (ITF entry)
        OUT (ZMPCLM,ZMPDES);
    IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND ZMPDES GT 0)
        THEN ZMPSECH = ZMPCLM;
            SET OWNTENT(7);
            PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
    ELSEIF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND ZMPCLM GT 0)
        THEN ZMPSECH = ZMPDES;
            CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
            PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
    OTHERWISE CLEAR ITF.REVERSE;

END Reversal_modeling;
```

PROCESS Cross_through_check;

```
IF (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $FALSE AND ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $FALSE)
  THEN IF ((OWNTENT(5,6,7) EQ '000' AND ITF.RZ LT -P.CROSSTHR)
    OR (OWNTENT(5,6,7) EQ '001' AND ITF.RZ GT P.CROSSTHR))
  THEN CLEAR ITF.INCREASE;
  CLEAR ITF.INC_ENC;
  ITF.INCTIME = 0;
  IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CLEAR OWNTENT(7);
    ELSE SET OWNTENT(7);
  SET ITF.REVERSE;
  PERFORM Set_up_for_advisory;
```

END Cross_through_check;

```

PROCESS Select_advisory;

  IF ((ITF.KHIT EQ 1) OR (WL.STATUS EQ $CONT AND ITF.TRTRU LE P.QU
    THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERM TENT;
    ELSE IF (ABS(ITF.ZDINT) LT P.ILEV)
      THEN CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
        IN (ITF.RZ, G.ALIM, OWNTENT)
        OUT (INTHR);
      IF (INTHR EQ $FALSE)
        THEN PERFORM Try_vsl;
        ELSE CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
          IN (ITF.VMD, G.ALIM, OWNTENT)
          OUT (INTHR);
          IF (INTHR EQ $FALSE OR ABS(G.ZDOWN) GT P.OLEV)
            THEN PERFORM Try_vsl;
            ELSE CLEAR OWNTENT(5,6,11,12);
      ELSE CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
        IN (ITF.VMD, G.ALIM, OWNTENT)
        OUT (INTHR);
        IF (INTHR EQ $FALSE OR ABS(G.ZDOWN) GT P.OLEV)
          THEN PERFORM Try_vsl;
          ELSE CLEAR OWNTENT(5,6,11,12);
    PERFORM No_weaken_test;
    PERFORM Extreme_altitude_check;

END Select_advisory;

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```

PROCESS Try_vsl;

IF (ITF.RD GT 0)
  THEN IF (WL.STATUS EQ $NEW)
    THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '10','00';
    ELSE OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEENT;
  ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL
    IN (P.V2000, ITF entry)
    OUT (VSLOK);
  IF (VSLOK EQ $TRUE)
    THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '11','11';
    ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL
      IN (P.V1000, ITF entry)
      OUT (VSLOK);
    IF (VSLOK EQ $TRUE)
      THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '11','10';
      ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL
        IN (P.V500, ITF entry)
        OUT (VSLOK);
      IF (VSLOK EQ $TRUE)
        THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '11','01';
        ELSE CALL VSL_OVER_INTERVAL
          IN (0, ITF entry)
          OUT (VSLOK);
        IF (VSLOK EQ $TRUE)
          THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '10','00';
          ELSE OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '00','00';

END Try_vsl;

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PROCESS No_weaken_test;

  IF (WL.STATUS NE $NEW)
    THEN IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $TRUE)
      THEN NOWEAKEN_TIME = P.TRVSNOWEAK;
      ELSE NOWEAKEN_TIME = P.TNOWEAK;
    IF (EVAL(TF.PERMTEENT) LE EVAL(OWNTENT))
      THEN IF (ITF.TAUR GT MAX(P.STROFIR, P.FRTHR(ITF.LEV,ITF.IFIRM)))
        THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEENT;
      ELSEIF (TF.PERMTEENT(4,5) EQ '10')
        THEN CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
          IN (ITF.RZ, G.ALIM, OWNTENT)
          OUT (INTHR);
        IF (INTHR EQ $TRUE)
          THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEENT;
          ELSE IF ((G.TCUR-ITF.TCMD) LT NOWEAKEN_TIME
            OR ITF.IFIRM LT P.MINFIRM)
            THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEENT;
      OTHERWISE IF ((G.TCUR-ITF.TCMD) LT NOWEAKEN_TIME OR
        ITF.IFIRM LT P.MINFIRM)
          THEN OWNTENT = TF.PERMTEENT;

END No_weaken_test;

```

```
PROCESS Extreme_altitude_check;

  IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND OWNTENT(5) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN IF ((G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE) AND (ITF.REVERSE = $FALSE))
      THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '10','00';

  ELSEIF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND OWNTENT(5) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN IF (G.NODESCENT EQ $TRUE)
      THEN OWNTENT(5,6,11,12) = '10','00';
      CLEAR ITF.REVERSE;

END Extreme_altitude_check;
```

```
PROCESS Multiaircraft_processing;

    PERFORM Multiaircraft_resolution;
    PERFORM Multiaircraft_threat_file_update;
    N = 1;
    Save current TF pointer;
    REPEAT UNTIL (N GT NUMBPOI);
        CALL RESOLUTION_UPDATE
            IN (MACOPTR(N), MACNPTR(N));
        N = N + 1;
    ENDREPEAT;
    Restore current TF pointer;

END Multiaircraft_processing;
```

```

PROCESS Multiaircraft_resolution;

CLEAR ABOVE, BELOW;
Save current TF pointer;
REPEAT WHILE (more TF entries); <loop through entire TF>
  SET SENSE_SET;
  IF (TF.PERM TENT(4) EQ $TRUE) <vertical RA>
    THEN SENSE = TF.PERM TENT(7) using threat's TF entry;
  ELSEIF (TF threat is same threat as current threat)
    THEN SENSE = OWNTENT(7);
  OTHERWISE CLEAR SENSE_SET;

  IF (SENSE_SET EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (TF.IPTR->ITF.DCFLG EQ $TRUE)
      THEN ;
    ELSE IF (SENSE EQ $TRUE)
      THEN SET ABOVE;
    ELSE SET BELOW;

  Select next TF entry;
ENDREPEAT;
Restore current TF pointer;

END Multiaircraft_resolution;

```



```
PROCESS Multiaircraft_threat_file_update;

    TF.PERM TENT = OWNTENT;
    NUMBPOI = 0;
    IF (ABOVE EQ $TRUE AND BELOW EQ $TRUE)
        THEN SET TYPE;
        ELSE CLEAR TYPE;
            IF (ABOVE EQ $FALSE AND BELOW EQ $FALSE)
                THEN SENSE = TF.PERM TENT(7);
                ELSE SENSE = ABOVE;
    PERFORM Multiaircraft_loop_on_threat_file;
    OWNTENT = TF.PERM TENT;

END Multiaircraft_threat_file_update;
```

```

PROCESS Multiaircraft_loop_on_threat_file;

Save current Working List pointer;
Save current TF pointer;
REPEAT WHILE (more threats in TF); <loop through entire TF>
  IF (TF.PERMTEENT(4) EQ $TRUE) <provision for future horizontal type
    THEN IF (TYPE NE TF.PERMTEENT(5))
      THEN TF.PERMTEENT(5) = TYPE;
      CLEAR TF.PERMTEENT(6,11,12);
      IF (TYPE EQ $FALSE AND SENSE NE TF.PERMTEENT(7))
        THEN TF.PERMTEENT(7) = SENSE;
        CLEAR TF.PERMTEENT(6,11,12);
      IF ((TYPE EQ $FALSE) AND ((TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
        G.CLIMBINHIB EQ $TRUE) OR (TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND
        G.NODESCENT EQ $TRUE)))
        THEN SET TF.PERMTEENT(5);
      IF (TF.POOWRAR NE RAMAP(TF.PERMTEENT))
        THEN NUMBPOI = NUMBPOI + 1;
        MACOPTR(NUMBPOI) = TF.POOWRAR;
        TF.POOWRAR = RAMAP(TF.PERMTEENT);
        MACNPTR(NUMBPOI) = TF.POOWRAR;
        IF (TF threat is in Working List)
          THEN TF.IPTR -> ITF.TCMD = G.TCUR;
      IF (TF threat is in Working List)
        THEN TF.TLRCMD = G.TCUR;
    Select next TF entry;
  ENDREPEAT;
Restore current Working List pointer;
Restore current TF pointer;

END Multiaircraft_loop_on_threat_file;

```

```

PROCESS Increase_check;
  IF ((OWNTENT(5,6,7) EQ '000' AND G.CLSTROLD EQ 8) OR
      (OWNTENT(5,6,7) EQ '001' AND G.DESTROLD EQ 8))
    THEN IF (ITF.TAURISE LT 3 AND
             ((ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS) OR (CONSIDER_INCREASE EQ TRUE) OR
              (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $FALSE AND ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $FALSE)))
      THEN CLEAR INTHR;
        IF (CONSIDER_INCREASE EQ $TRUE)
          THEN CLEAR CONSIDER_INCREASE;
            ALT_DIFF = PROJ_ZDINT - G.ZOWN;
            IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND ALT_DIFF LE P.AVEVALT)
              THEN SET INTHR;
            ELSEIF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND ALT_DIFF GE -P.AVEVALT)
              THEN SET INTHR;
          ELSE PERFORM Increase_proj_check;
        IF (INTHR EQ $TRUE)
          THEN IF (ITF.INCREASE EQ $TRUE OR
                  ITF.TRTRU GT P.MIN_RI_TIME)
            THEN IF ((OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE AND
                      G.RADAROUT EQ 0 AND
                      O.ZRADAR LE P.ZNO_INCDES) OR
                    (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
                     G.INC_CLMINHIB EQ $TRUE))
              THEN;
            ELSE ITF.INCTIME = G.TCUR;
              IF (ITF.INCREASE EQ $FALSE)
                THEN ITF.TCMD = G.TCUR;
              SET ITF.INCREASE, ITF.INC_ENC;
          IF (ITF.INCREASE EQ $TRUE AND (G.TCUR - ITF.INCTIME) GE P.TNOWEAK)
            THEN CLEAR ITF.INCREASE;
              ITF.INCTIME = 0;
          ELSE CLEAR ITF.INCREASE; <RA not positive>
            ITF.INCTIME = 0;
        END Increase_check;

```

```

PROCESS Increase_proj_check;

  IF (ITF.IFIRM GE P.MINFIRM AND
      ITF.TRTRU LE P.AVEVTAU(ITF.LEV))
    THEN IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE)
      THEN ZDOW = MAX(+P.CLMRT, G.ZDOWN);
      ELSE ZDOW = MIN(-P.DESRT, G.ZDOWN);
    RELZ = G.ZOWN - ITF.ZINT;
    RELZD = ZDOW - ITF.ZDINT;
    CALL VERTICAL_MISS_DISTANCE_CALCULATION
      IN (RELZ, RELZD, ITF.TRTRU,
          ITF.TAUR, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV))
      OUT (SEP);
    CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
      IN (SEP, P.AVEVALT, OWNTENT)
      OUT (INTHR);

END Increase_proj_check;

```

```

PROCESS Send_initial_intent;

    <form TCAS Resolution Message>

    Place G.MACFLG in MTB field;
    <Form complement from OWNTENT(7)>
    IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE)
        THEN COMPLEMENT = 1;
        ELSE COMPLEMENT = 2;
    IF (WL.STATUS EQ $TERM)
        THEN place COMPLEMENT in CVC field;
        CLEAR VRC field;
        ELSE place COMPLEMENT in VRC field;
        CLEAR CVC field;
        IF (ITF.TIEBREAKER_REVERSAL EQ $TRUE)
            THEN IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $TRUE)
                THEN COMPLEMENT = 2;
                ELSE COMPLEMENT = 1;
            Place COMPLEMENT in CVC field;
    VSB subfield of message = P.PTABLE(BITS 43-46(CVC,VRC)of message);
    Send initial TCAS Resolution (Intent) message to threat
        identified by ITF.IDINT;

END Send_initial_intent;

```

```
PROCESS Complete_send_intent;
```

```
    Wait until surveillance delivers reply or decides no reply
        for initial Resolution (Intent) message;
    IF (coordination reply message not received)
        <a coordination reply message is identified by DF=16 and VDS1=3 and VDS2
    THEN TRY = 1;
        CLEAR SUCCESS;
        REPEAT UNTIL ((SUCCESS EQ $TRUE) OR (TRY GT P.TRYMAX));
            Send TCAS Resolution (Intent) message to threat identified by
                ITF.IDINT;
            Wait until Surveillance delivers reply or decides no reply;
            IF (Coordination reply message is received)
                <a coordination reply message is identified
                    by DF=16 and VDS1=3 and VDS2=0>
                THEN SET SUCCESS;
                ELSE TRY=TRY + 1;
        ENDREPEAT;
```

```
END Complete_send_intent;
```

```
ROUTINE CHECK_PROJECTION
  IN (POSITN, THRHL, OWNTENT)
  OUT (INTHR);

  CLEAR INTHR;
  IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN IF (POSITN LT THRHL)
      THEN SET INTHR;

    ELSE IF (POSITN GT -THRHL)
      THEN SET INTHR;
  <only set flag if position has desired sign>

END CHECK_PROJECTION;
```

ROUTINE COORDINATION_UNLOCK

 CLEAR G.COLOCK;

 IF (any messages in Resolution message queue)

 THEN CALL RESOLUTION_MESSAGE_PROCESSING;

END COORDINATION_UNLOCK;


```

ROUTINE DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY
  IN (RAIND);

  IF (RAIND NE 0)
    THEN CLEAR SUCCESS;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF AND SUCCESS EQ $FALSE);
      IF (RAIND EQ TF.POOWRAR)
        THEN SET SUCCESS;
        ELSE select next TF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    IF (SUCCESS EQ $TRUE)
      THEN; <cannot delete res. adv. which applies to another threat>
      ELSE CLEAR G.RA(RAIND);

END DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY;

```

```
ROUTINE MODEL_MANEUVERS
  IN (ITF entry)
  OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);

  CLEAR SKIP_CALC;
  CLEAR All bits in VRAC, VRAD;
  TRTLIM = MIN(ITF.TRTRU, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV));
  TAULIM = MIN(ITF.TAUR, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV));
  TAULIM = MAX(P.MINTAUM, TAULIM);
  PERFORM Set_up_maneuvers;
  IF (SKIP_CALC EQ $FALSE)
    THEN PERFORM Modeling_calculations;

END MODEL_MANEUVERS;
```

```

PROCESS Set_up_maneuvers;
  DELAYC, DELAYD, TV = P.TV1;
  IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $TRUE)
    THEN DELAYC, DELAYD, TV = P.QUIKREAC;
  IF (TRTLIM LE TV)
    THEN CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
      IN (TRTLIM, G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, 0, 0, ITF.REVERSE)
      OUT (ZPOWN);
    CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
      IN (TRTLIM, ITF.ZINT, ITF.ZDINT, 0, 0, ITF.REVERSE)
      OUT (ZPINT);
    ZMPCLM = ZPOWN - ZPINT;
    ZMPDES = -ZMPCLM;
    SET SKIP_CALC;
  ELSE SET VRAC(1), VRAD(6); <climb, descend>
    IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $FALSE AND ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $FALSE)
      THEN IF (G.RA(6,7,8,9, or 10) EQ $TRUE) <any descend sense>
        THEN CLEAR VRAC(1);
        SET VRAC(2); <don't descend>
        DELAYC, DELAYD = P.QUIKREAC;
      IF (G.RA(1,2,3,4, or 5) EQ $TRUE) <any climb sense>
        THEN CLEAR VRAD(6);
        SET VRAD(7); <don't climb>
        DELAYC, DELAYD = P.QUIKREAC;

END Set_up_maneuvers;

```

PROCESS Modeling_calculations;

IF (VRAC(1) EQ \$TRUE AND G.CLIMBINHIB EQ \$TRUE AND ITF.REVERSE EQ
THEN VRAC(1,2) = '01'; <change climb to don't descend>

CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, VRAC, DELAYC, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
OUT (ZCLM1, ZCLM2);

CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, VRAD, DELAYD, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
OUT (ZDES1, ZDES2);

IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ \$FALSE)

THEN CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (ITF.ZINT, ITF.ZDINT, 0, 0, TRTLIM, TAULIM, ITF.REVERSE)
OUT (ZPIN1, ZPIN2);

ELSE IF ((ITF.INT_CROSS EQ \$TRUE) OR (ITF.ZDINT EQ 0 AND ITF.RZ
(ITF.ZDINT * G.ZDMODEL LT 0))

THEN CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (ITF.ZINT, ITF.ZDOUTR, 0, 0, TRTLIM, TAULIM,
ITF.REVERSE)

OUT (ZPIN1, ZPIN2);

ELSE CALL PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (ITF.ZINT, ITF.ZDINR, 0, 0, TRTLIM, TAULIM,
ITF.REVERSE)

OUT (ZPIN1, ZPIN2);

CALL SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL

IN (ZCLM1, ZCLM2, ZPIN1, ZPIN2, ZPIN1, ZPIN2, ZDES1, ZDES2)
OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);

END Modeling_calculations;

```
ROUTINE PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL
  IN (Z, ZD, VRA, DELAY, TRTLIM, TAULIM, RVSFLAG)
  OUT (ZPR1, ZPR2);

  CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
    IN (TRTLIM, Z, ZD, VRA, DELAY, RVSFLAG)
    OUT (ZPR1);

  CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
    IN (TAULIM, Z, ZD, VRA, DELAY, RVSFLAG)
    OUT (ZPR2);

END PROJECT_OVER_INTERVAL;
```

```

ROUTINE PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS
  IN (TPROJ, Z, ZD, VRA, DELAY, RVSFLAG)
  OUT (ZPROJ);

  ZDGOAL, TACC = 0;
  TAIR = TPROJ;
  ACCEL = P.VACCEL;
  IF (RVSFLAG EQ $TRUE)
    THEN ACCEL = P.RACCEL;
  IF (VRA NE 0)
    THEN IF (VRA(1,2,3,4, or 5) EQ $TRUE)
      THEN ZDMIN = P.ZDMINTB(MMINDEX(VRA));
      IF (ZD LT ZDMIN)
        THEN DIRECTION = +1;
        ZDGOAL = ZDMIN;
      ELSEIF (VRA(6,7,8,9, or 10) EQ $TRUE)
        THEN ZDMAX = P.ZDMAXTB(MMINDEX(VRA) - 5);
        IF (ZD GT ZDMAX)
          THEN DIRECTION = -1;
          ZDGOAL = ZDMAX;
      OTHERWISE; <can't happen without horizontal RA's>
  IF (ZDGOAL NE 0)
    THEN PERFORM Calculate_acceleration;
  ZPROJ = Z + ZD*TAIR;
  IF (TACC GT 0)
    THEN ZPROJ = ZPROJ + ZDACC*TACC;
    IF (TAGR GT 0)
      THEN ZPROJ = ZPROJ + ZDGOAL*TAGR;
END PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_BITS;

```

```
PROCESS Calculate_acceleration;

    TUGR = ABS(ZDGOAL-ZD)/ACCEL;
    TESC = TPROJ - DELAY;
    TAIR = DELAY;
    IF (TUGR GT TESC)
        THEN TACC = TESC;
            ZDACC = ZD + 0.5*DIRECTION*ACCEL*TACC;
            TAGR = 0;
        ELSE TACC = TUGR;
            ZDACC = (ZD+ZDGOAL)/2;
            TAGR = TESC - TUGR;

END Calculate_acceleration;
```

```

ROUTINE PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL
  IN (TPROJ, Z, ZD, ZDGOAL, DELAY, DIRECTION)
  OUT (VPROJ);

  TDGR = ABS(ZDGOAL - ZD)/P.VACCEL;
  TESC = TPROJ - DELAY;

  IF (TDGR GT TESC)
    THEN TACC = TESC;
         ZDACC = ZD + 0.5*DIRECTION*P.VACCEL*TACC;
         TAGR = 0.;
    ELSE TACC = TDGR;
         ZDACC = (ZD + ZDGOAL)/2;
         TAGR = TESC - TDGR;
  VPROJ = Z + ZD*DELAY;
  IF (TACC GT 0)
    THEN VPROJ = VPROJ + ZDACC*TACC;
         IF (TAGR GT 0)
           THEN VPROJ = VPROJ + ZDGOAL*TAGR;

END PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL;

```



```
ROUTINE RESOLUTION_UPDATE
  IN (IND1, IND2);

  CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY
    IN (IND1);
  IF (IND2 NE 0)
    THEN SET G.RA(IND2);

END RESOLUTION_UPDATE;
```

```
ROUTINE SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL
  IN (A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8)
  OUT (ZMPCLM, ZMPDES);

  A3 = MAX(A3, G.ZGROUND);
  A4 = MAX(A4, G.ZGROUND);
  A5 = MAX(A5, G.ZGROUND);
  A6 = MAX(A6, G.ZGROUND);

  A7 = MAX(A7, G.ZGROUND + P.ZDESBOT);
  A8 = MAX(A8, G.ZGROUND + P.ZDESBOT);

  ZMPCLM = MIN(A1-A3, A2-A4);
  ZMPDES = MIN(A5-A7, A6-A8);

END SEPARATION_OVER_INTERVAL;
```

```

ROUTINE VSL_OVER_INTERVAL
  IN (VARG, ITF entry)
  OUT (VSLOK);

  ALIMOD = 0;
  ZDI = ITF.ZDINT;

  IF (ITF.WPTR->WL.STATUS EQ $NEW AND VARG GT 0)
    THEN ALIMOD = -P.NEWVSL;
  ELSEIF (ITF.WPTR->WL.STATUS = $NEW)
    THEN;
  OTHERWISE OLDGOAL = P.DESGOAL(EVAL(ITF.TPTR -> TF.PERMMENT));
    IF (OLDGOAL LT VARG)
      THEN ALIMOD = -P.NEWVSL;
  IF (ITF.WPTR->WL.STATUS EQ $NEW AND ITF.BADFOK NE 0)
    THEN IF (OWNTENT(7) = $FALSE)
      THEN ZDI = MAX(ITF.ZDINR, ITF.ZDOUTR);
      ELSE ZDI = MIN(ITF.ZDINR, ITF.ZDOUTR);
  CALL VSL_TEST
    IN (VARG, ITF.TRTRU, ALIMOD, ZDI)
    OUT (VSLOK)
    INOUT (ITF entry);

  IF (VSLOK EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CALL VSL_TEST
      IN (VARG, ITF.TAUR, ALIMOD, ZDI)
      OUT (VSLOK)
      INOUT (ITF entry);

  <Return VSLOK = $TRUE only if both tests passed>

END VSL_OVER_INTERVAL;

```

```

ROUTINE VSL_TEST
  IN (AVSL, TAUARG, HVEQ, ZDI)
  OUT (VSLOK)
  INOUT (ITF entry);

  TRTLIM = MIN(TAUARG, P.TVPETBL(ITF.LEV));
  IF (OWNTENT(7) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN DIRECTION = +1;
    IF (G.ZDOWN GE -AVSL)
      THEN VVMD = ITF.RZ + (-AVSL-ZDI)*TRTLIM;
      ELSE IF (ITF.WPTR->WL.STATUS EQ $CONT)
        THEN T1 = MAX(P.BACKDELAY, P.TV1-(G.TCUR-ITF.TCMD));
        ELSE T1 = P.TV1;
      CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL
        IN (TRTLIM, G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, -AVSL, T1, DIRECTION)
        OUT (VO);
      VVMD = (VO - ITF.ZINT) - ZDI*TRTLIM;
    ELSE DIRECTION = -1;
    IF (G.ZDOWN LE AVSL)
      THEN VVMD = ITF.RZ + (AVSL-ZDI)*TRTLIM;
      ELSE IF (ITF.WPTR->WL.STATUS EQ $CONT)
        THEN T1 = MAX(P.BACKDELAY, P.TV1 - (G.TCUR-ITF.TCMD));
        ELSE T1 = P.TV1;
      CALL PROJECT_VERTICAL_GIVEN_ZDGOAL
        IN (TRTLIM, G.ZOWN, G.ZDOWN, AVSL, T1, DIRECTION)
        OUT (VO);
      VVMD = (VO - ITF.ZINT) - ZDI*TRTLIM;
  CALL CHECK_PROJECTION
    IN (VVMD, G.ALIM-HVEQ, OWNTENT)
    OUT (INTHR);
  IF (INTHR EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CLEAR VSLOK;
    ELSE SET VSLOK;
END VSL_TEST;

```

```

FUNCTION EVAL
  IN (ARG) <bit string>
  OUT (EVAL); <integer>

  IF (ARG(4) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN EVAL = 0;
  ELSEIF (ARG(6) EQ $FALSE) <positive or negative>
    THEN IF (ARG(5) EQ $FALSE)
      THEN EVAL = 8;
      ELSE EVAL = 4;
  OTHERWISE EVAL = 1; <VSL>
    IF (ARG(11) EQ 0) <VSL 500>
      THEN EVAL = EVAL + 2;
    IF (ARG(12) EQ 0) <VSL 1000>
      THEN EVAL = EVAL + 1;

END EVAL;

```

```
FUNCTION MMINDEX
  IN (ARG) <bit string>
  OUT (MMINDEX); <integer>

  MMINDEX = position of first "1" in input bit string;
  <Will be from 1-10>

END MMINDEX;
```

FUNCTION RAMAP

IN (ARG) <bit string>

OUT (RAMAP); <integer>

RAMAP = index value associated with input bit string, as
defined in Table 6-3.

END RAMAP;

TASK HOUSEKEEPING;

```
REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);  
    <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end. Performance  
    Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been locked for more than  
    P.TUNLOCK seconds and take appropriate action.>  
ENDREPEAT;
```

```
SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;  
G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;  
Null the Delete_RA List and Delete_Intent List;  
PERFORM Threat_file_housekeeping;  
PERFORM Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;  
PERFORM Sensitivity_level_housekeeping;  
Set up fields in Coordination Update message:  
    ARA = G.RA, RAC = G.INTENT;  
Send Coordination Update message to transponder;  
CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK
```

END HOUSEKEEPING;


```

PROCESS Threat_file_housekeeping;
  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF);
    IF (TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE AND TF.POOWRAR EQ 0
        AND TF.POTHRAR(1) EQ 0 AND TF.POTHRAR(2) EQ 0)
      THEN IF (TF.IPTR NE $NULL)
        THEN TF.IPTR->ITF.TPTR = $NULL;
          Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
        Select next entry;
      ENDREPEAT;
    REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF);
      IF (TF.TLRCMD GE 0)
        THEN IF (G.TCUR - TF.TLRCMD GT P.TCATRES)
          THEN put TF.POOWRAR on Delete_RA List;
            IF ((TF.POTHRAR(1) EQ 0) AND (TF.POTHRAR(2) EQ 0))
              THEN IF (TF.IPTR NE $NULL)
                THEN TF.IPTR->ITF.TPTR = $NULL;
                  Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
                ELSE TF.POOWRAR = 0;
                  TF.DEFER_DISPLAY = $FALSE;
                  TF.IPTR = $NULL;
                  CLEAR All bits in TF.PERMTEENT;

          Select next entry;
        ENDREPEAT;
      REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF);
    US   IF (TF.TTHLRM GE 0)
          THEN IF (TCLOCK - TF.TTHLRM GT P.TCATRES)
            THEN put TF.POTHRAR(1 & 2) on Delete_Intent List;
              IF (TF.POOWRAR EQ 0 AND TF.DEFER_DISPLAY EQ $FALSE)
                THEN IF (TF.IPTR NE $NULL)
                  THEN TF.IPTR->ITF.TPTR = $NULL;
                    Clear TF entry variables and delete entry;
                  ELSE TF.POTHRAR(1), TF.POTHRAR(2) = 0;

            Select next entry;
          ENDREPEAT;
        PERFORM Threat_file_ITF_linkup;
    END Threat_file_housekeeping;

```

```

PROCESS Threat_file_ITF_linkup;

  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
    IF (ITF.EQP EQ $TCAS AND ITF.TPTR EQ $NULL)
      THEN CLEAR SUCCESS;
      REPEAT WHILE (more entries in TF AND SUCCESS EQ $FALSE);
        IF (ITF.IDINT EQ TF.ID)
          THEN SET SUCCESS;
          ELSE select next TF entry;
        ENDREPEAT;
      IF (SUCCESS EQ $TRUE)
        THEN TF.IPTR = ITF.IROW;
        ITF.TPTR = address of TF entry;
      Select next ITF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

END Threat_file_ITF_linkup;

```

```

PROCESS Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;

<Process deletion list of Resolution Advisories and Complements
received from Threat_file_housekeeping>

    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Delete_RA List);
        CALL DELETE_RESOLUTION_ADVISORY <delete advisory if not needed for other
            IN (index to Res. Advisory);
        Select next list entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

    REPEAT WHILE (more entries on Delete_Intent List);
        CALL DELETE_INTENT <Chapter 3>
            IN (index to RA complement);
        Select next list entry;
    ENDREPEAT;

END Resolution_advisory_housekeeping;

```

```
PROCESS Sensitivity_level_housekeeping;

    SIT = 1;
    REPEAT UNTIL (SIT GT P.SITMAX);
        IF (TCLOCK - G.LEVELTIM(SIT) GT P.STIMOUT)
            THEN G.LEVELTIM(SIT), G.LEVELSIT(SIT) = 0;
            SIT = SIT + 1;
        ENDREPEAT;

END Sensitivity_level_housekeeping;
```

STRUCTURE TRAFVAR

GROUP settable

FLT DMODTA <Traffic Advisory version of DMOD>
FLT H1TA <Traffic Advisory version of H1>
FLT RTHRTA <Traffic Advisory version of range threshold>
FLT TRTHRTA <Traffic Advisory version of TRTHR>
FLT TVTHRTA <Traffic Advisory version of TVTHR>

GROUP flags

BIT DISPROX <TRUE => prox advisories to be displayed, this cycle>
BIT PROX_TEST <TRUE => prox test req'd (failed TA & RA tests)>
BIT PRXHITA <Proximity criteria satisfied for traffic adv>
BIT RHITA <Range criteria satisfied for traffic adv>
BIT ZHITA <Altitude criteria satisfied for traffic adv>

GROUP temp_calculation

FLT RDTA
FLT SCORFACTR
FLT TAURTA
FLT TAUVTA

ENDSTRUCTURE;

TASK TRAFFIC_ADVISORY;

↑ *Supervisory-Interface* ▷ *Pilot-Displays* ▷ *Traffic-Advisories[i]* ▷ *Status*

Set TDV to null;

```
IF (G.TAMODE EQ $TRUE)
  THEN REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
    PERFORM Traffic_advisory_detection;
    Select next entry;
  ENDREPEAT;

  PERFORM Traffic_display;
```

END TRAFFIC_ADVISORY;

```

PROCESS Traffic_advisory_detection;
  CLEAR PROX_TEST;
  IF (ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
    THEN ITF.TATIME = P.MINTATIME; <no change, set min TA disp. time >
  ELSEIF (ITF.IOGROUN EQ $TRUE)
    THEN ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
    ITF.TATIME = 0;
  OTHERWISE PERFORM Traffic_parameters;
    PERFORM Traffic_range_test;
    IF (RHITA EQ $TRUE)
      THEN PERFORM Range_hit_processing;
      ELSE IF (ITF.TATIME NE 0)
        THEN ITF.TATIME = ITF.TATIME - 1;
        IF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
          THEN ITF.TACODE = $TANMC;
          ELSE ITF.TACODE = $TAMC;
        ELSE SET PROX_TEST;
    IF (PROX_TEST EQ $TRUE)
      THEN PERFORM Proximity_test;
      IF (PRXHITA EQ $TRUE)
        THEN ITF.TACODE = $PENDPA;
        ELSE ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
  END Traffic_advisory_detection;

```

```

PROCESS Traffic_parameters;

    ITF.LEV = MAX(G.INDEX,ITF.PLINT);
    TRTHRTA = P.TRTHRTA_TBL(ITF.LEV);
    TVTHRTA = P.TVTHRTA_TBL(ITF.LEV);
    RTHRTA = P.RTHRTA_TBL(ITF.LEV);
    DMODTA = P.DMODTA_TBL(ITF.LEV);
    H1TA = P.H1TA_TBL(ITF.LEV);

    IF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
        THEN IF (ITF.LEV EQ 2)
            THEN TRTHRTA = P.TRTUTBL(3);
            ELSE TRTHRTA = P.TRTUTBL(ITF.LEV);
        ELSEIF (G.RAMODE EQ $TRUE)
            THEN; <use relative altitude values in track file>
        OTHERWISE ITF.RZ = G.ZOWN - ITF.ZINT;
            ITF.RZD = G.ZDOWN - ITF.ZDINT;
            ITF.A = ABS(ITF.RZ);
            ITF.ADOT = ITF.RZD * SIGN(ITF.RZ);

END Traffic_parameters;

```



```

PROCESS Traffic_range_test;

    RDTA = ITF.RD;
    IF (ITF.R LT RTHRTA)
        THEN SET RHITA;
    ELSEIF (ITF.RD GT P.RDTHRTA)
        THEN IF (ITF.R * ITF.RD GT H1TA OR ITF.R GT DMODTA)
            THEN CLEAR RHITA;
            ELSE SET RHITA;
    OTHERWISE IF (ITF.RD GE -P.RDTHRTA)
        THEN RDTA = -P.RDTHRTA;
        IF (ITF.R GT 0)
            THEN TAURTA = -(ITF.R-((DMODTA**2)/ITF.R))/RDTA;
            ELSE TAURTA = P.MINTAU;
        IF (TAURTA LT TRTHRTA)
            THEN SET RHITA;
            ELSE CLEAR RHITA;

END Traffic_range_test;

```

```

PROCESS Range_hit_processing;

  IF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
    THEN IF ((ITF.TACODE NE $STANMC) AND
      (ITF.BEAROK EQ $FALSE OR ITF.RFLG EQ $FALSE))
      THEN ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
      ELSE IF (G.ZOWN GE P.ABOVNM)
        THEN IF (ITF.TATIME EQ 0)
          THEN ITF.TACODE = $NOTAPA;
          ELSE ITF.TACODE = $STANMC;
          ITF.TATIME = ITF.TATIME - 1;
        ELSE ITF.TACODE = $STANMC;
        ITF.TATIME = P.MINTATIME;
      ELSE PERFORM Traffic_altitude_test;
      IF (ZHITA EQ $TRUE)
        THEN ITF.TACODE = $STAMC;
        ITF.TATIME = P.MINTATIME;
      ELSE IF (ITF.TATIME NE 0)
        THEN ITF.TACODE = $STAMC;
        ITF.TATIME = ITF.TATIME - 1;
      ELSE SET PROX_TEST;

END Range_hit_processing;

```

```
PROCESS Traffic_altitude_test;

    IF (ITF.A LT P.ZTHRTA)
        THEN SET ZHITA;
    ELSEIF (ITF.ADOT GE P.ZDTHRTA)
        THEN CLEAR ZHITA;
    OTHERWISE TAUVTA = (-ITF.A/ITF.ADOT);
        IF (TAUVTA LT TVTHRTA)
            THEN SET ZHITA;
            ELSE CLEAR ZHITA;

END Traffic_altitude_test;
```

```
PROCESS Proximity_test;

  IF (ITF.R GE P.PROXR)
    THEN CLEAR PRXHITA;
  ELSEIF (ITF.MODC EQ $FALSE)
    THEN IF (G.ZOWN GE P.ABOVNMC)
      THEN CLEAR PRXHITA;
      ELSE IF ((ITF.TACODE NE $TANMC AND
        ITF.TACODE NE $PA) AND
        (ITF.BEAROK EQ $FALSE OR
        ITF.RFLG EQ $FALSE))
        THEN CLEAR PRXHITA;
        ELSE SET PRXHITA;
  OTHERWISE IF (ITF.A LT P.PROXA)
    THEN SET PRXHITA;
    ELSE CLEAR PRXHITA;

END Proximity_test;
```

```

PROCESS Traffic_display;

  CLEAR DISPROX;
  IF (O.ALLPROX EQ $TRUE)
    THEN G.ALLPROXTIME = P.ALLPROXDUR;
  IF (G.ALLPROXTIME GE 0)
    THEN SET DISPROX;
    G.ALLPROXTIME = G.ALLPROXTIME - 1;
  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF AND DISPROX EQ $FALSE);
    IF (ITF.TACODE GE P.NEEDPROX) <currently $RA, $TAMC, or $TANMC>
      THEN SET DISPROX;
      ELSE select next ITF entry;
  ENDREPEAT;

  REPEAT WHILE (more entries in ITF);
    IF (ITF.TACODE EQ $PENDPA AND DISPROX EQ $TRUE)
      THEN ITF.TACODE = $PA;
    PERFORM Traffic_score;
    Select next ITF entry;
  ENDREPEAT;
  Sort pointers on ITF.TAScore;
  Move sorted ITF pointers with TASCORE>0 to TDV;

END Traffic_display;

```

```

PROCESS Traffic_score;

  DMODTA = P.DMODTA_TBL(ITF.LEV);

  IF (ITF.MODC EQ $TRUE)
    THEN SCORFACTR = 2;
    ELSE SCORFACTR = 1;

  IF (ITF.TACODE LT P.DISPTHYR)
    THEN ITF.TASCORE = 0;
  ELSEIF (ITF.TACODE EQ $RA)
    THEN ITF.TASCORE = P.HISCORE;
  ELSEIF (ITF.TACODE EQ $TAMC or $TANMC)
    THEN IF (ITF.R LE DMODTA)
      THEN ITF.TASCORE = (P.MEDHISCORE * SCORFACTR) - ITF.R;
      ELSEIF (ITF.RD LT -P.RDTHRTA)
        THEN ITF.TASCORE = (P.MEDSCORE * SCORFACTR) + (ITF.R/ITF.RD);
        OTHERWISE ITF.TASCORE = (P.MEDLOSCORE * SCORFACTR) - ITF.R;
  ELSEIF (ITF.TACODE EQ $PA)
    THEN ITF.TASCORE = (P.LOSCORE * SCORFACTR) - ITF.R;
  OTHERWISE ITF.TASCORE = 0;

END Traffic_score;

```

STRUCTURE DISPVAR

GROUP cor_prev
FLT GOALCL
FLT GOALDES
INT RAIND

GROUP crossing_RA
FLT PROJ_ZDINT

ENDSTRUCTURE;

```

TASK DISPLAY_ADVISORIES;
<FUNCTION EVAL found in Chapter 6>

REPEAT WHILE (G.COLOCK EQ $TRUE);
    <Loop while waiting for coordination lock state to end. Performance
    Monitor should recognize when TCAS has been locked for more than
    P.TUNLOCK seconds and take appropriate action.>
ENDREPEAT;
SET G.COLOCK using uninterruptible test and set instruction;
G.TLOCK = TCLOCK;

G.CLSTROLD = G.CLSTRONG;
G.DESTROLD = G.DESTRONG;
CLEAR G.ANYNEWTHR, G.ANYPRECOR, G.ANYINCREASE;
G.DESTRONG, G.CLSTRONG = 0;
REPEAT WHILE (more TF entries);
    IF (TF.POOWRAR NE 0)
        THEN IF (TF.PERMTENT(7) EQ $FALSE)
            THEN G.CLSTRONG = MAX(G.CLSTRONG, EVAL(TF.PERMTENT));
            ELSE G.DESTRONG = MAX(G.DESTRONG, EVAL(TF.PERMTENT));
        IF (TF.NEW EQ $TRUE)
            THEN SET G.ANYNEWTHR;
            CLEAR TF.NEW;
        Select next TF entry;
ENDREPEAT;

PERFORM Set_up_goal_rate;
PERFORM Corrective_preventive_test;
PERFORM Set_up_global_flags;
CALL COORDINATION_UNLOCK;

END DISPLAY_ADVISORIES;

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```
PROCESS Set_up_goal_rate;

    GOALCL = -P.HUGE, GOALDES = +P.HUGE;
    REPEAT WHILE (more TF entries);
        RAIND = EVAL(TF.PERMTENT);
        IF (RAIND NE 0)
            THEN PERFORM Determine_goal_rate;
        Select next TF entry;
    ENDREPEAT;
END Set_up_goal_rate;
```

```

PROCESS Determine_goal_rate;
  IF (TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN GOALCL = MAX(GOALCL, P.CLIMBGOAL(RAIND));
    IF (RAIND EQ 8) <positive RA>
      THEN IF (G.CLSTROLD LT 8 OR G.ANYNEWTHR EQ $TRUE)
        THEN G.ZDMODEL = MAX(GOALCL, G.ZDOWN, G.ZDMODEL);
      IF (TF.IPTR -> ITF.INCREASE EQ $TRUE AND
        (G.ZDOWN LE P.INC_CLMRATE OR
        G.CORINC EQ $TRUE))
        THEN SET G.ANYINCREASE;
        IF (G.CORINC EQ $FALSE)
          THEN SET G.INC_ENCOUNTER,G.CORINC,
            G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.ANYPRECOR;
            G.ZDMODEL = P.INC_CLMRATE;
        ELSE IF (TF.IPTR -> ITF.INCREASE EQ $FALSE
          AND G.CORINC EQ $TRUE)
          THEN G.ZDMODEL = MAX(GOALCL, G.ZDOWN);
        GOALCL = MAX(GOALCL, G.ZDMODEL);
    ELSE GOALDES = MIN(GOALDES, P.DESGOAL(RAIND));
    IF (RAIND EQ 8) <positive RA>
      THEN IF (G.DESTROLD LT 8 OR G.ANYNEWTHR EQ $TRUE)
        THEN G.ZDMODEL = MIN(GOALDES, G.ZDOWN,G.ZDMODEL);
      IF (TF.IPTR -> ITF.INCREASE EQ $TRUE AND
        (G.ZDOWN GE P.INC_DESRATE OR
        G.CORINC EQ $TRUE))
        THEN SET G.ANYINCREASE;
        IF (G.CORINC EQ $FALSE)
          THEN SET G.INC_ENCOUNTER,G.CORINC,
            G.CORRECTIVE_DES, G.ANYPRECOR;
            G.ZDMODEL = P.INC_DESRATE;
        ELSE IF (TF.IPTR -> ITF.INCREASE EQ $FALSE
          AND G.CORINC EQ $TRUE)
          THEN G.ZDMODEL = MIN(GOALDES, G.ZDOWN);
        GOALDES = MIN(GOALDES, G.ZDMODEL);
  END Determine_goal_rate;

```

```

PROCESS Corrective_preventive_test;
  IF (GOALCL EQ 0 AND GOALDES EQ 0)
    THEN IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $TRUE AND G.ZDOWN LT P.SMALLRATE AND
      (G.CLSTRONG LT G.CLSTROLD OR (G.CORINC EQ $TRUE AND
      G.ANYINCREASE EQ $FALSE)))
      THEN CLEAR G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.CORINC;
      ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $TRUE AND G.ZDOWN GT -P.SMALLRATE A
      (G.DESTRONG LT G.DESTROLD OR (G.CORINC EQ $TRUE
      AND G.ANYINCREASE EQ $FALSE)))
        THEN CLEAR G.CORRECTIVE_DES, G.CORINC;
    IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $FALSE AND G.ZDOWN LT -(P.SMALLRATE+P.HYST
    THEN SET G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.ANYPRECOR;
    ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $FALSE AND
      G.ZDOWN GT (P.SMALLRATE + P.HYSTERCOR))
        THEN SET G.CORRECTIVE_DES, G.ANYPRECOR;
  ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $TRUE AND G.ZDOWN GE GOALCL AND
    (G.CLSTRONG LT G.CLSTROLD OR (G.CORINC EQ $TRUE AND
    G.ANYINCREASE EQ $FALSE)))
    THEN CLEAR G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.CORINC;
    ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $TRUE AND G.ZDOWN LE GOALDES AND
      (G.DESTRONG LT G.DESTROLD OR (G.CORINC EQ $TRUE
      AND G.ANYINCREASE EQ $FALSE)))
        THEN CLEAR G.CORRECTIVE_DES, G.CORINC;
  IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $FALSE AND G.ZDOWN LT GOALCL-P.HYSTERCOR)
    THEN SET G.CORRECTIVE_CLM, G.ANYPRECOR;
    ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $FALSE AND
      G.ZDOWN GT GOALDES+P.HYSTERCOR)
        THEN SET G.CORRECTIVE_DES, G.ANYPRECOR;
END Corrective_preventive_test;

```

PROCESS Set_up_global_flags;

↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Controls</i> ▷ <i>Aural-Alarm</i>
↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Controls</i> ▷ <i>Resolution-Advisory</i> ▷ <i>Combined-Control</i>
↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Controls</i> ▷ <i>Resolution-Advisory</i> ▷ <i>Vertical-Control</i>

```
CLEAR G.ALARM,G.ANYFIRMDL,G.ANYCORCHANG,G.ANYCROSS,G.ALLCLEAR;
CLEAR G.ANYREVERSE, G.ANYTRACKDROP, G.ANYALTLOST, G.MAINTAIN;
IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $FALSE AND G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $FALSE
    AND G.RA(1 or 6) EQ $TRUE)
    THEN SET G.MAINTAIN;
    ELSE IF (G.RA(1 and 6) EQ $FALSE)
        THEN G.ZDMODEL = 0;
REPEAT WHILE (more ITF entries);
CLEAR ITF.DCFLG;
IF (ITF.PREWARN EQ 1)
    THEN ITF.PREWARN = ITF.PREWARN + 1;
    SET G.ANYFIRMDL;
IF (G.RA(1-10) EQ $FALSE)
    THEN CLEAR G.INC_ENCOUNTER;
    IF (ITF.ALTITUDE_LOST EQ $TRUE)
        THEN SET G.ANYALTLOST, CLEAR ITF.ALTITUDE_LOST;
    ELSEIF (ITF.TRACK_DROP EQ $TRUE)
        THEN SET G.ANYTRACKDROP, CLEAR ITF.TRACK_DROP;
    ELSEIF (ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT EQ $TRUE)
        THEN SET G.ALLCLEAR, CLEAR ITF.CLEAR_CONFLICT;
    ELSE PERFORM Crossing_flag_check;
        IF (ITF.REVERSE EQ $TRUE AND G.RA(1 or 6) EQ $TRUE AND
            ITF.INC_ENC EQ $FALSE)
            THEN SET G.ANYREVERSE;
    Select next ITF entry;
ENDREPEAT;
PERFORM Set_up_display_outputs;
IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $TRUE OR G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $TRUE)
    THEN IF (G.CLSTRONG NE G.CLSTROLD OR G.DESTRONG NE G.DESTROLD)
        THEN SET G.ANYCORCHANG;
IF (G.ANYNEWTHR EQ $TRUE OR G.ANYPRECOR EQ $TRUE OR G.ANYCORCHANG
    THEN SET G.ALARM;
END Set_up_global_flags;
```

```

PROCESS Crossing_flag_check;
  IF (ITF.TACODE EQ $RA AND ITF.TPTR NE $NULL)
    THEN IF ((ITF.TPTR->TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
      ITF.RZ LE -P.CROSSTHR) OR (ITF.TPTR->TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $TRUE
      AND ITF.RZ GE P.CROSSTHR))
      THEN IF (ITF.TPTR->TF.PERMTEENT(5,6) EQ '00')
        THEN SET G.ANYCROSS;
      IF (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $FALSE AND ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $FALSE)
        THEN PROJ_ZDINT = ITF.ZINT + (ITF.ZDINT * ITF.TRTRU);
        IF (G.ZDMODEL EQ 0)
          THEN SET ITF.INT_CROSS;
        ELSEIF (ABS(ITF.ZDINT) GE P.OLEV AND
          ((G.ZDMODEL GT 0 AND G.ZOWN GT PROJ_ZDINT) OR
          (G.ZDMODEL LT 0 AND G.ZOWN LT PROJ_ZDINT)))
          THEN SET ITF.INT_CROSS;
        OTHERWISE SET ITF.OWN_CROSS;
      ELSE IF (ITF.INT_CROSS EQ $TRUE OR ITF.OWN_CROSS EQ $TRUE)
        THEN IF ((ITF.TPTR->TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $FALSE AND
          ITF.RZ GE P.CROSSTHR) OR
          (ITF.TPTR->TF.PERMTEENT(7) EQ $TRUE
          AND ITF.RZ LE -P.CROSSTHR))
          THEN CLEAR ITF.INT_CROSS;
          CLEAR ITF.OWN_CROSS;
        ELSE; <Don't clear cross flags until own
          aircraft has actually crossed through
          the altitude of the intruder.>

      <NOTE: Cross flags for a non-crossing encounter are already
        cleared to begin with.>

    ELSE CLEAR ITF.INT_CROSS;
      CLEAR ITF.OWN_CROSS;
END Crossing_flag_check;

```

PROCESS Set_up_display_outputs;

↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Displays</i> ▷ <i>Resolution-Advisory</i> ▷ <i>Combined-Control</i>
↑ <i>Supervisory-Interface</i> ▷ <i>Pilot-Displays</i> ▷ <i>Resolution-Advisory</i> ▷ <i>Vertical-Control</i>

```
IF (G.ANYINCREASE EQ $TRUE)
  THEN CLEAR G.ANYREVERSE, G.MAINTAIN, G.ANYCROSS;
  IF (G.PREVINCREASE EQ $FALSE)
    THEN SET G.ANYCORCHANG, G.PREVINCREASE;
  ELSE CLEAR G.PREVINCREASE;
  IF (G.MAINTAIN EQ $TRUE OR G.ANYREVERSE EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CLEAR G.ANYCROSS;
    IF (G.MAINTAIN EQ $TRUE AND G.ANYREVERSE EQ $TRUE)
      THEN CLEAR G.ANYREVERSE;
      IF (G.CLSTRONG NE G.CLSTROLD OR
          G.DESTRONG NE G.DESTROLD)
        THEN SET G.ANYCORCHANG;
IF (G.RA(1-10) EQ $FALSE)
  THEN IF (G.ANYALTLOST EQ $TRUE)
    THEN CLEAR G.ANYTRACKDROP, G.ALLCLEAR;
    ELSE IF (G.ANYTRACKDROP EQ $TRUE)
      THEN CLEAR G.ALLCLEAR;
      ELSE IF (G.ALLCLEAR EQ $FALSE)
        THEN indicate "No Advisory" in DITS Word 270;
  ELSE IF (G.CORRECTIVE_CLM EQ $FALSE AND G.CORRECTIVE_DES EQ $FALSE)
    THEN indicate "Preventive RA" in DITS Word 270;
    ELSE indicate "Corrective RA" in DITS Word 270;
    <Climb or Descend sense>
Quantize G.ZDMODEL to 100 ft/min for use as signed rate to display;
<Note: The actual rate that is shown on the RA display is dependent upon
quantization and segmentation of the instrument's "eyebrow" lights, and
could be different than the rate specified in DITS Word Label 270.>
Formulate DITS VERTICAL RA DATA OUTPUT WORD FOR TCAS (Label 270)
to be sent to RA display, TA display and aural annunciation subsystem;
<Includes rate to display for "Maintain Vertical Speed" RA,
if any, as well as flags for combined control and vertical control
fields, and bit designations for climb and descend sense RAs. Note
that the logic specified above precludes the setting of multiple flags.>
END Set_up_display_outputs;
```

Hardware Assembly and Installation Instructions

This section might include (or include references to) the assembly and installation instructions for the equipment.

Training Requirements (Plan)

A training plan would be included here or appropriate pointers supplied instead. Some of the results of the simulator studies should be useful here and may involve links with the information about simulator studies in level 2. Again, only a few simple examples of the information that might be specified is included here.

The training must encourage pilots to use all the information available to them to maintain a safe distance from other aircraft, but the inaccuracy of bearing and altitude information on traffic advisory displays must be emphasized.

The likelihood that anticipatory avoidance maneuvers may compromise the performance of the TCAS in computing the most effective avoidance maneuver should also be discussed in training.

Pilots must learn to use the system the way the designers and its logic intend it to be used, though they also must remember to use their training and experience to evaluate situations and take appropriate action to ensure safety of flight.

Appendix A

Constant Definitions

ABOVNMC = 15500 ft.

AVEVALT = 200 ft.

ALFAO = 0.58.

ALFAR = 0.4.

BACKDELAY = -2.5 s.

BETAO = 0.25.

BETAR = 0.15.

CLMRT = 1500 ft/min.

CROSSTHR = 100 ft.

HISCORE = 1200.

HUGE = 10000 ft/min.

HYSTERCOR = 300 ft/min.

ILEV = 1000 ft/min.

INCCLMRATE = 2500 ft/min.

INCDESRATE = -2500 ft/min.

KNOWGROL = 1650 ft.

LOSCORE = 100.
LOWFIRMZR = 150 ft.
MAXALTDIFF = 600 ft.
MEDHISSCORE = 500.
MEDLOSCORE = 300.
MEDSCORE = 400.
MINFIRM = 2.
MINRITIME = 4.0 s.
MINRVSTIME = 10 s.
MINSEP = 300 ft.
MINTATIME = 8 s.
MINTAUM = 10 s.
MINTAU = 0 s.
NAFRANGE = 1.5 nmi.
NEARGROH = 200 ft.
NEARGROL = 180 ft.
NEWVSL = 75 ft.
NODESHI = 1200ft.
NODESLO = 1000ft.
NOZCROSS = 100ft.
OLEV = 600 ft/min.
OWNDEL = 4 s.
PROXA = 1200 ft.
PROXR = 6.0 nmi.

QUIKREAC = 2.5s.

RACCEL = 11.2 ft/s².

RADARLOST = 10.

RDTHRTA = 10 ft/s.

RDTHR = 10 ft/s.

RMAX = 12.0 nmi.

SMALLRATE = 500 ft/min.

STIMOUT = 240s.

STROFIR = 20.

TCATRES = 6 s.

TMIN = 5.5 s.

NOWEAK = 10s.

TRVSNOWEAK = 5s.

VACCEL = 8 ft/s².

TV1 = 5 s.

V500 = 500 ft/min.

V1000 = 1000 ft/min.

V2000 = 2000 ft/min.

V0 = 0 ft/min.

WTTHR = 2 s.

ZDESBOT = 900 ft.

ZDTHRTA = -1 ft/s.

ZLARGE = 1000000 ft.

ZNOAURALLO = 400 ft.

ZNOAURALHI = 600 ft.

ZNOINCDES = 1450ft.

ZSL5TO4 = 2150 ft.

ZSL5TO6 = 10500 ft.

ZSL4TO5 = 2550 ft.

ZSL4TO2 = 400 ft.

ZSL7TO6 = 19500 ft.

ZSL6TO5 = 9500 ft.

ZSL6TO7 = 20500 ft.

ZSL2TO4 = 600 ft.

ZTHRТА = 1200 ft.

Appendix B

Table Definitions

Increase-Tau-Threshold

Mops Reference: AVEVTAU

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
13	18	20	24	26

Potential-Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold

Mops Reference: DMODTA-TBL

Description:

Unit: nmi

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

2	3	4	5	6	7
.30	.40	.55	.75	1.0	1.3

Potential-Threat-Minimum-Divergence-Threshold

Mops Reference: H1TA-TBL

Description:

Unit: nm²/s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

2	3	4	5	6	7
.00160	.002	.00278	.00278	.00278	.004

Potential-Threat-Maximum-Range-Threshold

Mops Reference: RTHRTA-TBL

Description:

Unit: nmi

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

2	3	4	5	6	7
.55	.65	.85	1.10	1.30	1.70

Potential-Threat-Modified-Tau-Threshold

Mops Reference: TRTHRTA-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

2	3	4	5	6	7
20	30	35	40	45	48

XTVPCTBLX

Mops Reference: TVPC-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Intruder Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
35	40	40	45	48

XTVPETBLX

Mops Reference: TVPE-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Intruder Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
25	30	30	35	40

Potential-Threat-Time-to-Co-Altitude-Threshold

Mops Reference: TVTHRТА-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

2	3	4	5	6	7
20	30	35	40	45	48

Threat-Minimum-Range-Threshold

Mops Reference: DMOD-TBL

Description:

Unit: nmi

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
.20	.35	.55	.80	1.10

Threat-Minimum-Divergence-Threshold

Mops Reference: H1-TBL

Description:

Unit: nm²/s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
.002	.00278	.00278	.00278	.004

Threat-Time-To-CPA-Threshold-E

Mops Reference: TRTE-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
15	20	25	30	35

Threat-Time-To-Co-Alt-Threshold-U

Mops Reference: TVTU-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
15	20	25	30	35

Threat-Modified-Tau-Threshold

Mops Reference: TRTHR-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: Effective Sensitivity Level

Definition:

3	4	5	6	7
15	20	25	30	35

Time-To-CPA-Firmness-Dependent

Mops Reference: FRTHR-TBL

Description:

Unit: s

Index: (Effective Sensitivity Level \times Other-Track-Firmness_{f.431})

Definition:

	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
2	15	20	25	30	35
3	15	20	25	30	35

Positive-RA-Altitude-Limit-Threshold

Mops Reference: AL

Description:

Unit: Feet

Index: Altitude Layer

Definition:

1	2	3	4
400	500	640	740

Threat-Alt-Threshold

Mops Reference: ZT

Description:

Unit: Feet

Index: Altitude Layer

Definition:

1	2	3	4
750	750	850	950

Low-Firmeness-Alt-Threshold

Mops Reference: SF

Description:

Unit: Feet

Index: Altitude Layer

Definition:

1	2	3	4
200	240	400	480

Alt-Layer-Thr-Top

Mops Reference: TOP

Description:

Unit: Feet

Index: Altitude Layer

Definition:

1	2	3	4
10500	20500	30500	600 000

Alt-Layer-Thr-Bot

Mops Reference: BOT

Description:

Unit: Feet

Index: Altitude Layer

Definition:

1	2	3	4
6000	9500	19500	29500

Descend-Goal

Mops Reference: DESGOAL

Description:

Unit: fpm

Index: RAIND

Definition:

1	2	3	4	8
2000	1000	500	0	-1500

Climb-Goal

Mops Reference: CLIMBGOAL

Description:

Unit: fpm

Index: RAIND

Definition:

1	2	3	4	8
-2000	-1000	-500	0	1500

Descend-Goal

Mops Reference: DESCENDGOAL

Description:

Unit: fpm

Index: RAIND

Definition:

1	2	3	4	8
2000	1000	500	0	-1500

Min-Alt-Rate

Mops Reference: ZDMINTB

Description:

Unit: fpm

Index: VRA

Definition:

1	2	3	4	5
1500	0	-500	-1000	-2000

Max-Alt-Rate

Mops Reference: ZDMAXTB

Description:

Unit: fpm

Index: VRA

Definition:

1	2	3	4	5
-1500	0	500	1000	2000

Appendix C

Reference Algorithms

Nonlinear Tracker

Note: We were not able to include the SARPS document, but it contains the nonlinear tracker reference algorithm that should go here.

Appendix D

Physical Measurement Conventions

Pulse Amplitude is measured at the pulse peak.

Pulse Duration is measured between the half voltage points of the leading and trailing edges.

Pulse Decay Time is measured as the time interval between 90 percent of peak amplitude and 10 percent of peak amplitude on the trailing edge of the pulse.

Pulse-to-Pulse Intervals are measured between the half voltage points of their leading edges.

Phase Reversal Location is the 90-degree point of the phase transition.

Phase Reversal Duration is measured between the 10-degree and the 170-degree points of the transition.

Phase Reversal Intervals are measured between the 90-degree points of the transitions.

Unless otherwise specified, the signal levels specified in this document are defined at an RF reference point at the antenna end of the cable that connects the TCAS interrogator/receiver equipment to its antenna. Specification values in this document are based upon an antenna transmission line loss equal to the maximum for which the TCAS equipment is designed.

Note: The TCAS may be installed with less than the designed maximum transmission line loss. Nevertheless, the standard conditions of

this document are based on the maximum design value. Insertion loss internal to the antenna should be included as part of the net antenna gain.

These performance standards, where applicable are specified for an avionics configuration that includes both a Mode S transponder and TCAS equipment. Design specifications that may exist at a possible interface between the Mode S transponder and the TCAS equipment are not covered in detail.

Appendix E

Performance Requirements on Equipment Interacting with TCAS

This appendix would additional performance requirements on the other aircraft systems or references to where this information could be found.

Appendix F

Glossary

ACAS Airborne Collision Avoidance System. An independent aircraft equipment designed to detect potential conflicting aircraft that are equipped with SSR (Secondary Surveillance Radar) transponders. In this context the term 'independent' means that ACAS operates independently of other systems used by air traffic services except for communication with Mode S ground stations.

ACAS Broadcast A long Mode S air-air surveillance interrogation (UF=16) with the broadcast address.

Advisory Message, containing information relevant to collision avoidance, provided to assist pilots in the safe conduct of flight.

Advisory Invalid Indication that RA is no longer valid.

Age of data Time that has elapsed since the measurement time of this data.

Air Traffic Aircraft operating in the air or on an airport surface other than loading ramps and parking areas.

Air traffic control (ATC) A joint civil/military for promoting safe, orderly and expeditious flow of air traffic.

? **Aircraft-of-Interest** An intruder whose elevation is within 10 degrees and whose relative altitude is within +/- 2000 ft., and for which both the intruder aircraft and own aircraft are at least 600 ft. above ground level.

Air traffic control radar beacon system (ATCRBS) A secondary surveillance radar system having ground-based interrogators and airborne transponders capable of operation on Modes A and C.

Alarm An aural signal to the pilot that recommends immediate attention to the display(s).

Alert Indicator (visual or auditory) which provides information to the flight crew in a timely manner about an abnormal traffic situation. This term is synonymous with 'advisory'.

Altitude Crossing (Crossover) Encounters in which own aircraft and the threat aircraft are projected to cross in altitude prior to reaching closest point of approach.

Altitude Crossing RA A resolution advisory is altitude crossing if own TCAS II aircraft is currently more than 31 m(100 ft) below or above the threat aircraft for upward or downward sense advisories, respectively.

Altitude, relative The altitude of own aircraft measured upward from the intruder aircraft ie., relative altitude is positive when own is higher and negative when own is lower.

Altitude, separation The absolute value of relative altitude.

ATCRBS Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System compatible transponder. A type of SSR transponder.

Bearing The angle of the intruder aircraft in the horizontal plane, measured clockwise from the longitudinal axis of own aircraft.

Broadcast Unsolicited transmission to a non-specific destination.

Cancel Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement (CVC) Information sent from one TCAS to another via a coordination interrogation to cancel the Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement (VRC) previously sent.

CAS See Collision Avoidance System.

Closest point of approach (CPA) The occurrence of minimum range between own TCAS aircraft and the intruder. Thus range at closest approach is the smallest range between the two aircraft and time of closest approach is the time at which this occurs.

Coasted Track A track that is continued based on previous track characteristics in the absence of surveillance data.

Collision Avoidance System (CAS) Collision avoidance logic subsystem within TCAS.

Coordination The process by which two TCAS equipped aircraft select compatible (nonconflicting) Resolution Advisories by the exchange of Resolution Advisory Complements.

Coordination interrogation A Mode S interrogation (uplink transmission) radiated by TCAS II or III and containing a resolution message.

Coordination reply A Mode S reply (downlink transmission) acknowledging the receipt of a coordination interrogation by the Mode S transponder that is part of a TCAS II or III installation.

Corrective Resolution Advisory A Resolution Advisory that advises the pilot to deviate from current vertical speed, e.g., CLIMB when the aircraft is in level flight.

CPA See Closest point of approach.

Critical Interval Critical interval is the period of time when the horizontal separation between own and the threat aircraft is minimal. True TAU marks the beginning and modified TAU marks the end of this period. Normally the critical interval is very short, only a second or two. However, in cases of slow closure, as a tail chase scenario, horizontal separation may be minimum for a long time. Vertical separation is critical throughout this interval.

Critical NMAC see Critical Near Midair Collision.

Critical Near Midair Collision Situation of aircraft coming within 100 ft of vertical separation and 500 ft of horizontal separation.

Crossover See Altitude crossing.

Cycle The term "cycle" used in this document refers to one complete computation cycle through the sequence of functions executed by TCAS II or TCAS III, nominally one second.

Deferred Resolution Advisory An RA that is deferred from being displayed.

Displayed Resolution Advisory An RA already displayed to the flight crew.

Distance Modification applied to range measurements to account for possible lateral maneuvers. The value of distance modification varies with the sensitivity level for this own-intruder set. The value is chosen such that a sustained acceleration of $g/3$ will produce a displacement of in threshold time before time to CPA.

Divergence Threshold divergence threshold at and beyond which the aircraft are considered to be diverging from each other, and hence do not warrant an alert.

Effective Sensitivity Level Sensitivity level of an aircraft derived from a composite of its pilot input, any ground station (up to 15) uplink, and altitude based sensitivity level. This composite level is derived using the set of rules specified by the TCAS requirements. This level is used in determining the sensitivity of performance of collision avoidance logic.

Elapsed time of alert Time since issuance of this alert.

Escape Maneuver See Resolution Maneuver.

Established threat An intruder that has been declared a threat and still merits a Resolution Advisory.

Established Track A track generated by TCAS air-to-air surveillance that is treated as the track of actual aircraft.

FL see Flight Level.

Failure The inability of a system, subsystem, unit, or part to satisfactorily perform within the specified constraints.

False advisory An advisory caused by a false track or a TCAS malfunction.

False track A track created by erroneous surveillance data.

Flight Level (FL) Flight level refers to a level of constant atmospheric pressure, usually at an altitude above 18,000 feet above mean sea level, for which a pressure of 29.92 inches of mercury is the zero reference level.

FRUIT See Garble, nonsynchronous.

Garble, nonsynchronous Reply pulses received from a transponder that is being interrogated from some other source. Also called FRUIT.

Garble, synchronous An overlap of the reply pulses received from two or more transponders answering the same interrogation.

Horizontal Miss Distance (HMC) see Range at co-altitude.

IMC see Instrument Meteorological Conditions.

Incorrect Resolution Advisory A Resolution Advisory which occurs when a threat is present, but, because of a failure of the installed TCAS II, Mode S transponder, or associated sensors, commands a maneuver which reduces separation to the threat.

Increased rate Resolution Advisory A resolution advisory that advises the pilot to increase the altitude rate to a value exceeding that of a previous positive RA.

Individual Resolution Advisory Resolution advisory derived considering only one single threat.

Instrument Meteorological Conditions (IMC) are ceilings, visibilities, or cloud clearances less than the minima specified for VFR (Visual Meteorological Rules) flight.

Intruder A transponder-equipped aircraft within the surveillance range of TCAS for which TCAS has an established track.

Mode A Reply to a type of secondary surveillance radar (SSR) equipment known as Mode A transponder which provides a reply with Mode A identification data, and with open brackets for altitude.

Mode C Reply to a type of secondary surveillance radar (SSR) equipment known as ATCRBS which provides a reply with both identification and altitude information when interrogated.

Mode S Type of secondary surveillance radar (SSR) equipment which provides replies to Mode A and Mode C interrogations and discrete address interrogations from the ground or air.

Mode S discrete address or id A unique 24 bit address assigned to each Mode S equipped aircraft. This allows the Mode S beacon to interrogate one aircraft at a time (by specifying that aircraft's Mode S address). The 24 bit address allows over 16,000,000 unique aircraft addresses.

Modified TAU Time to closest point of approach assuming lateral closure of intruder aircraft. See Distance Modification.

Negative Advisory One of the following resolution advisories: DON'T CLIMB, DON'T DESCEND. A negative advisory can be either preventive or corrective.

Operational Mode TCAS mode of operation. TCAS may be in one of the three modes; standby, TA only or TA and RA mode.

Own aircraft The TCAS equipped reference aircraft.

Performance Monitoring A feature of the TCAS equipment that implements the function of measuring critical physical or software TCAS quantities to determine the operating capability of the TCAS equipment. The performance monitoring function is initiated routinely and automatically by the TCAS equipment; no flight crew or external stimulation is required. The performance monitor feature of the TCAS equipment also provides to the pilot an indication of the operating status of the equipment.

Positive Resolution Advisory One of the following resolution advisories: CLIMB, DESCEND. A positive advisory can be either preventive or corrective.

Potential threat An intruder that has passed the Potential Threat classification criteria, and does not meet the Threat Classification criteria.

Preventive Resolution Advisory A Resolution Advisory that advises the pilot to avoid certain deviations from the vertical rate because certain vertical speed restriction exist. Example: a DON'T CLIMB when the aircraft is level.

? **Protected volume** A volume of airspace enclosing the TCAS aircraft which, when penetrated by or containing an intruder, will normally result in the generation of a Traffic Advisory or a Resolution Advisory. The protected volume is generated from a larger volume produced by a range test which is then reduced in size by the application of an altitude test.

Proximate traffic Nearby aircraft within 1200 feet and 6 NMI which do not meet either the threat or the potential threat classification criteria.

Range At Co-altitude Also called HMD or Horizontal Miss Distance. Range at co-altitude is a measure of horizontal proximity when own and intruder aircraft are predicted to be at the same altitude.

Relative Altitude see Altitude, Relative.

Resolution Advisory (RA or Vertical Resolution Advisory) Oral and visual information given to the flight crew recommending a maneuver intended to provide separation from all threats, or a maneuver restriction to maintain existing separation, in order to avoid a potential collision. Positive, negative

and vertical speed limit (VSL) advisories constitute the resolution advisories. A resolution advisory may also be corrective or preventive.

Resolution Advisory Complement (RAC) Information returned by one TCAS to a TCAS or ground station interrogation in a coordination reply message via Mode S. TCAS uses the reply only to verify receipt of its coordination interrogation by the other TCAS.

Resolution display A display which depicts caution or warning areas above or below the TCAS equipped aircraft.

Resolution Maneuver Maneuver in the vertical direction resulting from compliance with a Resolution Advisory.

Resolution message The message containing the Resolution Advisory Complement.

Risk ratio The measure of comparison of the risk of encountering a critical NMAC with TCAS to that without is called Risk ratio.

Self-test Tests of the TCAS equipment and displays which are initiated by the flight crew and are used to determine the operational status of the equipment. Self-test differs from the Performance Monitoring in that it is initiated by the flight crew, and may use external stimuli and is not performed continually or automatically.

Sense A direction that a resolution advisory may take the aircraft. The sense of a TCAS II Resolution Advisory is "upward" if it requires climb or limitation of descent rate and "downward" if it requires descent or limitation of climb rate. I.e., either up or down relative to the existing flight path of the aircraft.

Sense reversal A change to the sense opposite that of the original Resolution Advisory.

Sensitivity level (S or SL) An integer defining a set of parameters used to specify the sizes of the protected volumes around the TCAS-equipped aircraft for traffic advisory detection and collision avoidance.

Sensitivity level command (SLC) An instruction given to the TCAS equipment for control of parameters used in threat detection (and hence the level of collision avoidance protection).

Squitter Spontaneous transmission generated once per cycle by Mode S transponders.

Standby mode An operational mode of TCAS. TCAS does not issue any advisories nor does it issue any interrogations in this mode.

TA-Only mode A TCAS mode of operation in which TAs are displayed and RAs are not displayed; any threats that would normally qualify for an RA are displayed as TAs.

TA-RA mode A TCAS operation mode in which both TAs and RAs are issued as specified.

TCAS Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System. An ACAS system that uses the transponder onboard the intruder aircraft as the basis for detecting the presence of an intruder and estimating its position. In this document TCAS and TCAS II are used interchangeably.

TCAS I A TCAS which provides Traffic Advisories as an aid to initiate "see and avoid" action but does not include the capability for generating Resolution Advisories.

TCAS II A TCAS which provides vertical Resolution Advisories in addition to Traffic Advisories.

TCAS III A TCAS which provides vertical and horizontal Resolution Advisories in addition to Traffic Advisories.

TCAS Broadcast A long Mode S air-to-air surveillance interrogation (UF = 16) with the broadcast address.

TCAS Capability An indication of whether there is an operating TCAS with at least a vertical resolution advisory capability on board the reference aircraft.

TCAS Computation Cycle see Cycle.

Threat An intruder that has passed the Threat Classification criteria.

Track A sequence of at least three measurements (range and altitude) representing positions that could reasonably have been occupied by an aircraft.

Traffic An aircraft within the surveillance range of TCAS.

Traffic advisory (TA) Information given to the flight crew identifying the approximate positions, relative to the TCAS-equipped aircraft, of aircraft meeting the Traffic Advisory criteria. No resolution advisory information is conveyed by a Traffic Advisory.

Traffic display Information given to the pilot pertaining to the position of another aircraft in the immediate vicinity. The information contains no suggested maneuver.

Transponder, ATCRBS See ATCRBS.

Transponder, Mode S See Mode S.

Transponder Equipage Indication of type of transponder, whether ATCRBS or Mode S.

True TAU Time to closest point of approach assuming straight flight of the intruder.

VMD see Vertical Miss Distance.

Vertical Miss Distance The relative altitude between own and intruder aircraft at closest point of approach.

Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement (VRC) Information provided by one TCAS to another TCAS via a coordination interrogation in order to ensure complementary maneuvers by restricting the choice of maneuvers available to the TCAS receiving the Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement.

VRC See Vertical Resolution Advisory Complement.

VSI Vertical Speed Indicator.

Vertical Speed Limit (VSL) advisory Resolution advisories such as DON'T CLIMB > 500 FPM, which limit the vertical speed of the aircraft. A VSL advisory may be preventive or corrective.

Warning time The time interval projection between penetration of the protected volume by the intruder, i.e., the intruder meets the detection criteria, and closest approach when neither aircraft accelerates aircraft accelerates.

Whisper-shout (WS) A method of controlling synchronous garble from ATCRBS transponders, through the combined use of variable power levels and suppression pulses.

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