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Pilot Navigation

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Definition and Motivation



- The process or activity of accurately ascertaining one's position and planning while following a route.
- Essential skill to safely and efficiently travel from departure to destination
- Navigation planning establishes a level of situational awareness including potential options before the flight
- Supports decision making during the flight

Diversions







- Circle, Circle, Line, Heading, Distance, Time (Fuel)
- Make a call and you'll be fine
- Fuel (reserve) required and weather for alternate
- Consider departure aerodrome and reciprocal track
- Use physical features for visual navigation (roads, rivers)
- Support with all means of navigation (GPS, VOR, NDB)

Diversions



Diversions



E6B GS Check and ETA Update

• GS Check:

- Distance in NM on the outside ring over
- Time in min/hours on the inside ring
- Read Speed in knots on the outside ring over 60
- ETA / ETO Update:
 - Speed in knots on the outside ring over 60
 - Read Time in min/hours on the inside ring under
 - Distance in NM on the outside ring



Navigational Aids



- GPS map and direct to (mounted, portable)
- VOR radial inbound or outbound, fix
- NDB bearing to station



Low-Level Navigation





- Restricted field of view and limited navigational cues
- Requires accurate tracking and timing
- Remain clear of obstacles look outside
- Use shorelines, rivers, roads, railways
- Consider precautionary landing or special VFR