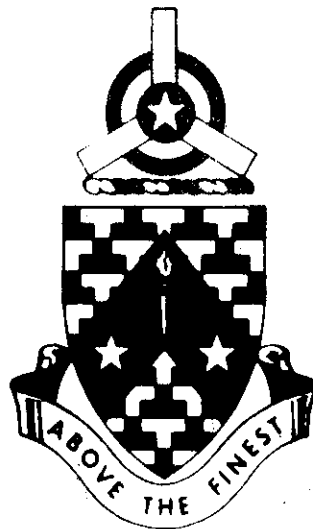


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Navigation Computer  
(Slide Rule)

## POI SCOPE:

Introduction and proper use of the slide rule side of the computer.

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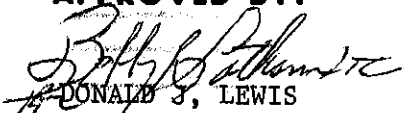
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## PREFACE

This programmed text is not in regular book form so you must follow directions in order to use it correctly. Each page is divided into three separate sections called frames. Page numbers are at the bottom center of the page and each frame is numbered in the upper right corner of the frame. You will begin by reading frame 1 at the top of page 1 and then continue to frame 2 at the top of page 3. DO NOT TRY TO READ DOWN THE PAGE. In most of the frames you will be required to answer a question or solve a problem. After writing your answer look on the back of the frame to check the correct answer. A small tolerance in the answers will be acceptable due to the difference in computers.

Allowable tolerances: Speeds $\pm$  1 knot  
Distances $\pm$  1 mile  
Time $\pm$  1 minute  
Altitudes $\pm$  200 feet

If you were incorrect, turn back and restudy the information before continuing on to the next frame. When you have finished a section of this text, complete the appropriate self evaluation exercise. Now begin by studying the performance objectives on page iv.

## PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this program you will be able to use the navigational computer to solve air navigation problems and find:

- A. Ground speed
- B. Enroute time
- C. Distance in nautical or statute miles
- D. Fuel requirements and consumption
- E. True airspeed
- F. Density altitude

## SECTION I

Frame 1

Remove the sliding card from the computer and lay it aside for now, you will cover it later. Now look at your computer, the computer side has the movable disc and two circular scales. The other side has a transparent disc located within a compass rose. This side is called the Wind face side or Grid side. First you should study the Computer Side.

Go to page 3 frame 2.

## MILEAGE CONVERSIONS

Frame 6

Often you will need to convert between statute miles, nautical miles, and kilometers. To do this you will use the "Stat", "Naut" and "Km" index. The "10" may be used to represent 1 mile, 100 miles or 1,000 miles. For this problem, "10" will have a value of 100 nautical miles. To convert 100 nautical miles to statute miles or kilometers, place the "10" under "Naut", now you read 115 under "Stat". What do you read under "Km"?

- a. 18.5
- ☒ b. 185
- c. 1,850

Frame 11

132 nautical miles equals:

Select an answer:

- ☒ a. 151 statute see page 5 frame 13
- ☒ b. 152 statute see page 3 frame 12

Answer: b. 185

18.5  
18.1  
18.1

18.1  
18.1  
18.1

Frame 2

A diagram of the computer is shown on page 57. Tear out this page for future reference as you progress through this booklet. See figure 1 page 57. Study this picture a few minutes. The nautical, statute and kilometer indexes are located on the outer (inner-outer) scale. The speed and "sec" indexes are on the inner scale.

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Frame 7

Since you found that 100 nautical miles is equal to 115 statute miles and 185 kilometers, now determine that 100 statute miles is equal to 87 nautical and 160.5 km.

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Frame 12

132 nautical miles equals:

Select an answer:

- a. ☒ 244 km see page 7 frame 14  
b. ☐ 242 km see page 5 frame 13



Answers: outer

inner

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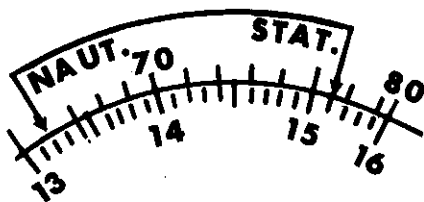
Answers: 87

160

The large black triangle ( ▲ ) reference point on the movable scale is called the speed index.

Now convert 100 km to statute and nautical miles. By placing the "10" under the km index you read 62 statute and 53 nautical miles.

You're obviously trying to work too fast or you're having trouble reading the various scales on the computer. Let's look at the previous problem:



For the statute mile answer it had to be between 150 and 160. But, look again, how can the first line of the scale be 151? The same with the kilometers. Between 240 and 250 there are only five lines and they must be calibrated by two's. Now do this one:

132 nautical miles equals 151 km. Go to page 7 frame 14.

Answer: speed

Answers: 62.5 statute

54 nautical

Frame 4

Move the inner disc so that the "10" aligns with the "10" on the outer scale. Do all of the numbers align on the two scales?

yes  
(yes - no)

Frame 9

If you set 90 under the "Naut" index you read 104 stat mi.  
under the "Stat" and 168.5 km under the km.

Frame 14

Answer: 244 km - correct

Now convert 145 nautical miles to statute miles and kms.

167 statute  
269 km

Answer: yes

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Answers: 104  
166

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Answers: 167 stat

268 km

Since the scales are the same you can set up ratios and proportions using these scales.

Turn to page 1 frame 6

Using the computer you find that 280 nautical miles is equivalent to 324 statute miles or 528 kilometers.

Convert these:

a. 25.6 nautical  
29 statute  
46.6 km

b. 65 nautical  
74.7 statute  
120 km

c. 75 nautical  
86.2 statute  
139 km

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Answers: 324

518

Go to page 1 frame 11

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Answers: a. 25.2 naut

b. 65 naut

c. 86.5 stat

46.5 km

75 stat

139 km

Proceed with self evaluation exercise #1 on the next page.

SELF EVALUATION  
EXERCISE 1

Using your computer convert the following:

1. 290 nautical miles

334 statute miles

531 kilometers

2. 244 nautical miles

282 statute miles

452 kilometers

3. 350 nautical miles

404 statute miles

649 kilometers

4. 48.6 nautical miles

56.0 statute miles

90 kilometers

5. 172 nautical miles

198 statute miles

318 kilometers

6. 165 nautical miles

190 statute miles

305.5 kilometers

7. 158 nautical miles

182 statute miles

292 kilometers

8. 81 nautical miles

93 statute miles

149 kilometers



Answers:

- |                           |                                  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. 334 statute<br>536 km  | 2. 281 statute<br>451 km         |
| 3. 351 nautical<br>648 km | 4. 48.7 nautical<br>56.1 statute |
| 5. 198 statute<br>318 km  | 6. 165 nautical<br>305 km        |
| 7. 158 nautical<br>292 km | 8. 93.5 statute<br>150 km        |

Continue with frame 16 at the top of page 13.

Next you must learn to work time-rate distance problems. The computer is designed with miles on the outer scale and time on the inner scale.  
(inner/outer)

NOTE: For the remainder of this program we will use Nautical Miles (nm) and speed will be in Knots (k).

## Frame 24

Practice with these problems:

- A. Given: Distance = 170 nm.  
Time = 1 hour and 10 min. <sup>70</sup>  
Find Speed 1.46 k.
- B. Given: Distance = 340 nm.  
Time = 3 hours <sup>180</sup>  
Find Speed 11.3 k.
- C. Given: Distance = 16 nm.  
Time = 4 min.  
Find Speed 2.4 k.

## Frame 32

Deciding which index, speed or sec, to use is confusing to some people. When you become an aviator you will always know when you want your time in seconds so throughout this text only use the sec index when the question asks for seconds.

Compute these:

- | a. | <u>TIME</u>                        | <u>GS</u> | <u>DISTANCE</u> |
|----|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
|    | <u>95 min</u> = <u>1 hr 35 min</u> | 65k       | 104 nm          |
| b. | <u>90</u> seconds                  | 80k       | 2 nm            |

Answers: outer

inner

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Answers: A. 146

B. 113


C. 240

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Answers: a. 1 hr + 36 min

b. 90 seconds

Frame 17

Suppose your speed is 70k and you maintain this speed for 18 minutes. What distance would you travel? First set the speed index (  ) under the 70 on the outer scale. The speed index is 60 minutes. The set up you now have means you are traveling 70 nautical miles in 60 minutes. Therefore, to determine the distance covered in 18 minutes read the value on the outer scale over 18 minutes on the inner scale. Your answer,

21 N.M.

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Frame 25

From the previous problems you have learned to solve for speed (rate) and distance . During preflight planning the aviator knows the distance to be flown and the ground speed he expects to have. He must find the estimated time enroute (ETE) to enter on the flight plan. To solve for time set the speed index under the speed and on the inner scale read the time under the distance on the outer scale.

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Frame 33

How much time is required to travel 2nm at a speed of 90k?

(Use the sec. index). Select one:

a. 13.3 sec.

See page 19 frame 35.

☒ b. 80 sec.

See page 17 frame 34.


c. 5 min.

See page 21 frame 36.

Answer: 21

Answer: distance

Let's review:

In the previous frame you placed the speed index (  )  
under the speed and read the distance over the time.

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How much time is required to travel 180nm at a speed of 120k?

First set the speed index under 120 and read the time under the distance  
(180). In this case it would require 1 hour and 30  
minutes.

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Answer: 80 sec.

You are correct.

Continue on page 23 frame 37

Answer: time

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Answer: 1 hr and 30 min.

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Frame 19

Solve this one. Speed = 130k; Time = 1 hr + 20 min; Find distance:  
Set the speed index under 130, then over 1 hour + 20 min (80), read the  
distance which is 174 nm.

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Frame 27

During preflight you find that you must travel 375 nm at a speed of  
78k, this would require (pick one below):

~~a~~ 2 hours and 05 min.

See page 21 frame 28.

b 4 hours and 48 min.

See page 25 frame 30.

c. 29 min.

See page 23 frame 29.

290  
30  
2

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Frame 35

Your answer: A. 13.3 sec

You did not follow instructions. You placed the speed index  
under 90. Go to page 25 frame 30 and read again. Then go to page  
15 and select another answer.



Answer: 173 nm

Frame 20

Today you are going to drive at a speed of 48k for 2 hours and 15 minutes. By so doing you will travel 109 nm. ~~100~~  
105  
115

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Frame 28

Your answer: 2 hr + 05 min.

You must have used the wrong set-up. Remember the speed index must be placed under the speed. Return to page 15 frame 25 and review, then continue.

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Frame 36

Your answer: C. 5 min.

Did you read from the inner scale out? That's wrong, go back to page 15 frame 33 and try another time.

Answer: 108

Frame 21

O.K., Now try another one:

Speed = 160k

Time = 1 hour + 20 minutes. <sup>80</sup>

Distance = 214 nm.

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Frame 29

Your answer: C. 29 min.

You must have misread the time. 29 in this case represents 290 minutes. Actually the correct answer is less than 290. Return to page 19 frame 27 and read the hour scale.

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Frame 37

Try this one - THINK


At 72k how many seconds will it take to fly 2 nautical miles?

- a. 10 seconds
- ☒ b. 1 minute and 40 sec
- c. 10 minutes

Answer: 213

Answer: 1 min and 40 sec.

Frame 22

Remember the relationship between distance, time and the index (distance on the outer scale, time on the inner scale and the speed index (  ) always pointing at the speed.) Suppose the pilot does not know his ground speed in flight but he finds that he flew a 40 nm leg in 18 minutes. To calculate his speed set your computer so that 40 miles (outer scale) is over 18 minutes (inner scale). Now read the answer over the speed index. Answer: 133 k

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Frame 30

Answer: B. 4 hrs. + 48 min. Good, continue below.

Some problems will require the time to be computed in seconds and/or minutes instead of hours and minutes. For example, how much time is required to fly 2 nm with a speed of 150k? In this case it is easier to use the second index on the inner scale located at number 36.

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Frame 38

Let's assume that after checking a map we find that the LZ (landing zone) is 1.5 miles from the RP (release point). In this problem we want to know the time from RP to LZ to the second. The speed is 80k. How long will it take?

a. 112 sec.

☒ b. 67 sec.

c. 6.7 min.

Answer: 133

Answer: sec

Answer: b. 67 sec.

Frame 23

Once more, you fly 275 nm in 2 hours and 30 minutes. Set 275 nm (outer scale) over 2 hours and <sup>120</sup>~~30~~<sub>150</sub> minutes (inner scale) -- notice 2 hours and 30 minutes is the same as 150 minutes, therefore you may use either time scale. Now read the speed of 105 k over the speed index (▲).

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Frame 31

First set the sec. index under the 150 on the outer scale. The sec index represents 3600 seconds, or one hour. Therefore the ratio is still correct. Now under 2 miles read the time which is 48 seconds.

This method is only needed when you want the precise time required to travel a relatively short distance.

For instance: How many seconds will it take to fly 1.5 miles at 60k?

90 seconds.

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Frame 39

Now solve for time. READ AND ANALYZE the question because you'll need both indexes.

1. Distance = 1.5 nm

Speed = 70k

Time = 77 seconds

2. Distance = 80 nm

Speed = 65k

Time = 74 min 2 hr. 14 min.

3. Distance = 100 nm

Speed = 75k

Time = 80 min = 1 hr 20 min.



Answer: 110

Go to page 13 frame 24

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Answer: 90

Go to page 13 frame 32

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Answers: 1. 77

2. 1 hr + 14 min

3. 1 hr + 20 min

Now do self evaluation exercise #2 on the next page.