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00:00:22,310 --> 00:00:19,990  
hello i'm beth dickey of the nasa

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00:00:24,310 --> 00:00:22,320  
headquarters office of public affairs

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00:00:26,470 --> 00:00:24,320  
welcome to the leading edge where we

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00:00:28,630 --> 00:00:26,480  
take an in-depth look at aeronautics

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00:00:30,470 --> 00:00:28,640  
problems that nasa is working to solve

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00:00:32,389 --> 00:00:30,480  
through its own research initiatives or

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00:00:34,790 --> 00:00:32,399  
in collaboration with others

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00:00:38,549 --> 00:00:34,800  
today's topic is automatic dependent

9  
00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:38,559  
surveillance broadcast or adsb the next

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00:00:42,869 --> 00:00:40,960  
generation in airborne surveillance and

11  
00:00:46,069 --> 00:00:42,879  
cockpit avionics

12  
00:00:48,229 --> 00:00:46,079  
instead of relying on radar adsb uses

13  
00:00:50,389 --> 00:00:48,239

global positioning system satellite

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00:00:52,869 --> 00:00:50,399

information to give pilots and air

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00:00:55,110 --> 00:00:52,879

traffic controllers highly accurate

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00:00:57,029 --> 00:00:55,120

traffic data as well as cockpit displays

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00:00:59,830 --> 00:00:57,039

that update in real time

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00:01:01,910 --> 00:00:59,840

adsb promises significant improvements

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00:01:04,710 --> 00:01:01,920

in air transportation system safety

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00:01:06,789 --> 00:01:04,720

capacity and efficiency through improved

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00:01:09,510 --> 00:01:06,799

communications among airplanes in the

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00:01:11,910 --> 00:01:09,520

air and controllers on the ground

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00:01:13,830 --> 00:01:11,920

nasa was part of government and industry

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00:01:15,910 --> 00:01:13,840

team led by the federal aviation

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00:01:18,469 --> 00:01:15,920

administration which brought adsb to

26  
00:01:21,910 --> 00:01:18,479  
maturity the team earned one of the most

27  
00:01:24,149 --> 00:01:21,920  
prestigious awards in aviation in 2007

28  
00:01:26,789 --> 00:01:24,159  
for its efforts to conceptualize develop

29  
00:01:28,950 --> 00:01:26,799  
and implement adsb an important

30  
00:01:31,350 --> 00:01:28,960  
component of this work was a series of

31  
00:01:33,190 --> 00:01:31,360  
field tests with the united parcel

32  
00:01:35,510 --> 00:01:33,200  
service in louisville kentucky where

33  
00:01:37,670 --> 00:01:35,520  
nasa demonstrated a new capability

34  
00:01:40,230 --> 00:01:37,680  
called airborne precision spacing to

35  
00:01:42,469 --> 00:01:40,240  
help relieve airport traffic congestion

36  
00:01:44,310 --> 00:01:42,479  
this is a replica of the coveted collier

37  
00:01:46,149 --> 00:01:44,320  
trophy you can see the real one in the

38  
00:01:48,710 --> 00:01:46,159

national air and space museum here in

39

00:01:51,109 --> 00:01:48,720

washington the collier has been awarded

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00:01:52,950 --> 00:01:51,119

by the national aeronautics association

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00:01:54,630 --> 00:01:52,960

since 1911.

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00:01:56,469 --> 00:01:54,640

many of america's great aerospace

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00:01:58,870 --> 00:01:56,479

pioneers have received it including

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00:02:00,789 --> 00:01:58,880

orville wright and neil armstrong it

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00:02:03,109 --> 00:02:00,799

calls attention to great achievements in

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00:02:06,069 --> 00:02:03,119

improving the performance efficiency and

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00:02:09,669 --> 00:02:06,079

safety of air and space vehicles this is

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00:02:10,949 --> 00:02:09,679

the 21st collier in nasa's collection so

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00:02:12,390 --> 00:02:10,959

let's get to our discussion of the

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00:02:14,229 --> 00:02:12,400

award-winning work

51  
00:02:17,750 --> 00:02:14,239  
today's arrival procedures are often

52  
00:02:20,470 --> 00:02:17,760  
very noisy dirty and inefficient nasa's

53  
00:02:22,470 --> 00:02:20,480  
focus was on new automation for air and

54  
00:02:24,710 --> 00:02:22,480  
ground that not only helps relieve

55  
00:02:26,790 --> 00:02:24,720  
airport congestion but also increases

56  
00:02:28,229 --> 00:02:26,800  
efficiency and flexibility in air

57  
00:02:30,550 --> 00:02:28,239  
traffic management

58  
00:02:33,110 --> 00:02:30,560  
saves fuel and reduces noise and

59  
00:02:36,309 --> 00:02:33,120  
emissions one such capability which is

60  
00:02:39,110 --> 00:02:36,319  
part of adsb is airborne precision

61  
00:02:41,509 --> 00:02:39,120  
spacing let's learn more about that

62  
00:02:44,790 --> 00:02:41,519  
new airborne capabilities will also help

63  
00:02:47,030 --> 00:02:44,800

the airport congestion problem

64

00:02:49,430 --> 00:02:47,040

high throughput at airports depends in

65

00:02:52,229 --> 00:02:49,440

part on achieving optimal spacing

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00:02:54,309 --> 00:02:52,239

between landing aircraft

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00:02:56,710 --> 00:02:54,319

in a new concept called airborne

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00:02:59,110 --> 00:02:56,720

precision spacing the air traffic

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00:03:01,430 --> 00:02:59,120

controller responsible for maximizing

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00:03:04,070 --> 00:03:01,440

the landing rate designates a lead

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00:03:05,430 --> 00:03:04,080

aircraft for each capable aircraft to

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00:03:07,190 --> 00:03:05,440

follow

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00:03:09,670 --> 00:03:07,200

and a target time interval to be

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00:03:11,910 --> 00:03:09,680

achieved at or near the runway threshold

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00:03:14,149 --> 00:03:11,920

behind the lead

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00:03:16,149 --> 00:03:14,159

with the air traffic controllers spacing

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00:03:18,949 --> 00:03:16,159

goal for these two aircraft now

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00:03:20,070 --> 00:03:18,959

established pilots of the aircraft then

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00:03:22,470 --> 00:03:20,080

take over

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00:03:24,630 --> 00:03:22,480

using specific maneuvers and precise

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00:03:27,110 --> 00:03:24,640

speed control to accomplish the

82

00:03:31,190 --> 00:03:27,120

controller's assignments with little to

83

00:03:33,830 --> 00:03:31,200

no further communication necessary

84

00:03:35,589 --> 00:03:33,840

using on-board computer path guidance

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00:03:37,830 --> 00:03:35,599

pilots will maneuver their aircraft

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00:03:40,949 --> 00:03:37,840

within air traffic controller defined

87

00:03:42,550 --> 00:03:40,959

limits to close large unnecessary gaps

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00:03:44,869 --> 00:03:42,560

in the arrival stream

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00:03:47,030 --> 00:03:44,879

or to create room if needed for aircraft

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00:03:49,830 --> 00:03:47,040

that are resequenced for arrival or

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00:03:53,030 --> 00:03:49,840

waiting to take off

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00:03:55,270 --> 00:03:53,040

then using computer speed guidance

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00:03:56,710 --> 00:03:55,280

pilots will make precise adjustments in

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00:03:59,670 --> 00:03:56,720

speed

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00:04:02,070 --> 00:03:59,680

to accurately merge behind aircraft

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00:04:04,229 --> 00:04:02,080

arriving from other directions and to

97

00:04:06,070 --> 00:04:04,239

fine-tune the spacing as they approach

98

00:04:10,229 --> 00:04:06,080

the runway

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00:04:12,830 --> 00:04:10,239

threshold at precisely the controller's

100

00:04:16,069 --> 00:04:12,840

desired interval after the preceding

101  
00:04:18,390 --> 00:04:16,079  
aircraft in addition the system easily

102  
00:04:20,789 --> 00:04:18,400  
accommodates the safe spacing variations

103  
00:04:25,670 --> 00:04:20,799  
required for aircraft pairs with

104  
00:04:30,469 --> 00:04:27,430  
even though the aircraft is now under

105  
00:04:32,310 --> 00:04:30,479  
positive ground control for separation

106  
00:04:34,310 --> 00:04:32,320  
this new procedure allows the air

107  
00:04:36,870 --> 00:04:34,320  
traffic controller to use the pilot's

108  
00:04:39,430 --> 00:04:36,880  
ability of precision flying to help

109  
00:04:41,749 --> 00:04:39,440  
increase arrival throughput and minimize

110  
00:04:44,790 --> 00:04:41,759  
delays for all aircraft assigned to that

111  
00:04:49,270 --> 00:04:47,110  
by using this new aircraft capability of

112  
00:04:51,510 --> 00:04:49,280  
airborne precision spacing

113  
00:04:53,270 --> 00:04:51,520

controllers at smaller airports will be

114

00:04:55,590 --> 00:04:53,280

able to safely handle

115

00:04:57,510 --> 00:04:55,600

increased traffic demand without the

116

00:05:00,790 --> 00:04:57,520

need to expand their ground-based air

117

00:05:02,710 --> 00:05:00,800

traffic control systems

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00:05:05,189 --> 00:05:02,720

the radar technology used to track

119

00:05:07,270 --> 00:05:05,199

airplanes hasn't changed much in 60

120

00:05:10,310 --> 00:05:07,280

years but air traffic has increased

121

00:05:12,390 --> 00:05:10,320

significantly the resulting congestion

122

00:05:14,710 --> 00:05:12,400

in the skies poses inconveniences for

123

00:05:17,029 --> 00:05:14,720

air travelers and special challenges for

124

00:05:18,790 --> 00:05:17,039

air traffic controllers a new tracking

125

00:05:20,950 --> 00:05:18,800

technology is needed to support the

126  
00:05:23,749 --> 00:05:20,960  
volume of operations projected in the

127  
00:05:26,870 --> 00:05:23,759  
21st century with me to discuss the

128  
00:05:28,230 --> 00:05:26,880  
challenges and the benefits of adsb are

129  
00:05:30,310 --> 00:05:28,240  
robert novia

130  
00:05:32,390 --> 00:05:30,320  
operations manager with the faa's

131  
00:05:34,710 --> 00:05:32,400  
enroute and oceanic services unit

132  
00:05:36,790 --> 00:05:34,720  
currently leading the operations support

133  
00:05:39,270 --> 00:05:36,800  
team for the surveillance and broadcast

134  
00:05:41,749 --> 00:05:39,280  
program services office and captain bob

135  
00:05:43,990 --> 00:05:41,759  
hill a retired manager of the advanced

136  
00:05:45,830 --> 00:05:44,000  
flight systems department at united

137  
00:05:47,430 --> 00:05:45,840  
parcel service

138  
00:05:48,629 --> 00:05:47,440

this question i'm going to start with

139

00:05:50,070 --> 00:05:48,639

you robert

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00:05:52,469 --> 00:05:50,080

can you talk to us a little bit about

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00:05:54,870 --> 00:05:52,479

how arrival control is done today and

142

00:05:56,230 --> 00:05:54,880

how it's being improved sure and first

143

00:05:58,710 --> 00:05:56,240

of all thank you beth it's a pleasure to

144

00:06:00,469 --> 00:05:58,720

be with nasa today

145

00:06:02,150 --> 00:06:00,479

managing arrivals

146

00:06:04,790 --> 00:06:02,160

into a major terminal area is somewhat

147

00:06:06,469 --> 00:06:04,800

situational it depends on the the size

148

00:06:09,270 --> 00:06:06,479

of the terminal area and the traffic

149

00:06:10,870 --> 00:06:09,280

load but by and large we we descend we

150

00:06:12,390 --> 00:06:10,880

initially descend aircraft on published

151  
00:06:13,909 --> 00:06:12,400  
arrival procedures

152  
00:06:15,590 --> 00:06:13,919  
and during the course of doing that

153  
00:06:17,350 --> 00:06:15,600  
there are normally more than one

154  
00:06:19,909 --> 00:06:17,360  
transition to those arrival procedures

155  
00:06:22,550 --> 00:06:19,919  
so by that we mean that there could be

156  
00:06:24,390 --> 00:06:22,560  
two or three or even four streams of

157  
00:06:27,510 --> 00:06:24,400  
traffic that the air traffic controller

158  
00:06:28,710 --> 00:06:27,520  
has to blend into one sequence over a

159  
00:06:31,350 --> 00:06:28,720  
particular

160  
00:06:32,150 --> 00:06:31,360  
fix or location going into the terminal

161  
00:06:34,230 --> 00:06:32,160  
area

162  
00:06:36,150 --> 00:06:34,240  
and normally in order to do that the

163  
00:06:38,950 --> 00:06:36,160

normal course of business is that

164

00:06:40,950 --> 00:06:38,960

depending on how how busy the the

165

00:06:43,590 --> 00:06:40,960

circumstances are the controller will

166

00:06:46,790 --> 00:06:43,600

have to issue radar vectors or heading

167

00:06:49,830 --> 00:06:46,800

changes speed changes altitude changes

168

00:06:50,870 --> 00:06:49,840

all at increasingly lower altitudes

169

00:06:53,029 --> 00:06:50,880

which

170

00:06:55,110 --> 00:06:53,039

magnifies the inefficiency to the

171

00:06:57,830 --> 00:06:55,120

operator in doing so

172

00:06:59,990 --> 00:06:57,840

so the the key here is to stage these

173

00:07:02,550 --> 00:07:00,000

aircraft more efficiently

174

00:07:05,029 --> 00:07:02,560

to make earlier uh trajectory

175

00:07:07,510 --> 00:07:05,039

modifications and and by doing so they

176

00:07:10,070 --> 00:07:07,520

can be smaller maybe just uh minor speed

177

00:07:11,749 --> 00:07:10,080

adjustments so when the controller gets

178

00:07:14,150 --> 00:07:11,759

these these aircraft on these different

179

00:07:16,390 --> 00:07:14,160

streams there's there's less to do to

180

00:07:18,710 --> 00:07:16,400

space them into the terminal area

181

00:07:20,150 --> 00:07:18,720

now we have a tape that was prepared by

182

00:07:22,309 --> 00:07:20,160

one of the partners in the collier

183

00:07:23,589 --> 00:07:22,319

trophy work can we roll that tape and

184

00:07:29,029 --> 00:07:23,599

and can you explain to us what we're

185

00:07:35,110 --> 00:07:32,870

okay so so here we have uh

186

00:07:37,270 --> 00:07:35,120

it shows two streams blending into one

187

00:07:39,270 --> 00:07:37,280

so here's what i meant by uh different

188

00:07:41,909 --> 00:07:39,280

transitions in an arrival procedure

189

00:07:43,909 --> 00:07:41,919

where the controller has to blend those

190

00:07:46,230 --> 00:07:43,919

traffic streams now keep in mind this is

191

00:07:47,830 --> 00:07:46,240

a rather sterile environment but you can

192

00:07:50,309 --> 00:07:47,840

see that uh

193

00:07:52,869 --> 00:07:50,319

the the last aircraft in that sequence

194

00:07:55,189 --> 00:07:52,879

is being radar vectored out on a heading

195

00:07:57,189 --> 00:07:55,199

change in order to get appropriate

196

00:07:59,670 --> 00:07:57,199

spacing i see a lot of dollar signs

197

00:08:01,189 --> 00:07:59,680

going out the tail end

198

00:08:03,270 --> 00:08:01,199

yeah so that's our cute way of showing

199

00:08:06,869 --> 00:08:03,280

that that right at that point now we're

200

00:08:09,909 --> 00:08:06,879

we're imposing a cost on the operator to

201

00:08:12,950 --> 00:08:09,919

to get the spacing that we need

202

00:08:15,990 --> 00:08:12,960

now here here is a potentially future

203

00:08:18,390 --> 00:08:16,000

environment where because of minor speed

204

00:08:22,150 --> 00:08:18,400

adjustments we made earlier on the

205

00:08:24,469 --> 00:08:22,160

aircraft would nicely fit into a gap

206

00:08:26,550 --> 00:08:24,479

and this kind of mitigates that spacing

207

00:08:28,629 --> 00:08:26,560

problem the controller doesn't have to

208

00:08:30,869 --> 00:08:28,639

to issue what we call

209

00:08:32,469 --> 00:08:30,879

tactical measures and maneuvers to space

210

00:08:34,630 --> 00:08:32,479

the aircraft and they can just fall

211

00:08:36,870 --> 00:08:34,640

right into the stream

212

00:08:39,029 --> 00:08:36,880

now this is a tough situation obviously

213

00:08:41,029 --> 00:08:39,039

for operators bob how does this sort of

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00:08:43,509 --> 00:08:41,039

air traffic control situation

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00:08:45,190 --> 00:08:43,519

affect ups well thank you beth and and

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00:08:46,870 --> 00:08:45,200

on behalf of the entire industry i'd

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00:08:48,070 --> 00:08:46,880

like to thank nasa for all their work

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00:08:49,829 --> 00:08:48,080

that they're doing

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00:08:52,870 --> 00:08:49,839

in in new technologies that will allow

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00:08:54,630 --> 00:08:52,880

us to modernize uh the aviation everyone

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00:08:56,389 --> 00:08:54,640

knows how important it is for next-gen

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00:08:58,230 --> 00:08:56,399

to succeed and if it wasn't for the

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00:09:00,070 --> 00:08:58,240

fundamental and practical research that

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00:09:02,389 --> 00:09:00,080

nasa has done we wouldn't be in the

225

00:09:04,070 --> 00:09:02,399

position we are today to be able to to

226

00:09:07,829 --> 00:09:04,080

modernize and and two of those

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00:09:10,630 --> 00:09:07,839

technologies are adsb and airborne

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00:09:13,030 --> 00:09:10,640

precision spacing as far as ups is

229

00:09:15,509 --> 00:09:13,040

concerned ups has the same problem with

230

00:09:18,070 --> 00:09:15,519

this major hubs as any other carrier

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00:09:20,710 --> 00:09:18,080

congestion and delays the hub can really

232

00:09:21,910 --> 00:09:20,720

harm the operation

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00:09:24,070 --> 00:09:21,920

many of you probably aren't familiar

234

00:09:26,790 --> 00:09:24,080

with the ups operation or package

235

00:09:29,030 --> 00:09:26,800

delivery operation but all the aircraft

236

00:09:30,790 --> 00:09:29,040

come into the hub with the packages they

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00:09:32,949 --> 00:09:30,800

all have to land the packages are then

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00:09:35,430 --> 00:09:32,959

sorted put on aircraft and they depart

239

00:09:37,670 --> 00:09:35,440

back out louisville is a particularly

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00:09:41,269 --> 00:09:37,680

important hub for ups because it's the

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00:09:43,030 --> 00:09:41,279

only hub that ups has that all of the uh

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00:09:44,389 --> 00:09:43,040

aircraft from all the world so packages

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00:09:45,990 --> 00:09:44,399

from all around the world come into

244

00:09:48,389 --> 00:09:46,000

louisville they're sorted and go back

245

00:09:49,990 --> 00:09:48,399

out so you can see that if any of those

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00:09:51,430 --> 00:09:50,000

aircraft are delayed the last few

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00:09:52,949 --> 00:09:51,440

aircraft that are delayed it delays the

248

00:09:54,870 --> 00:09:52,959

whole operation and that could

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00:09:56,949 --> 00:09:54,880

significantly affect the whole ups

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00:09:59,269 --> 00:09:56,959

operation it could result in delayed

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00:10:01,509 --> 00:09:59,279

packages all around the world

252

00:10:04,310 --> 00:10:01,519

another major problem that ups is always

253

00:10:05,670 --> 00:10:04,320

looking at is is the environment how can

254

00:10:07,990 --> 00:10:05,680

we help the environment i'm sure you've

255

00:10:10,069 --> 00:10:08,000

seen some of the articles about what ups

256

00:10:12,389 --> 00:10:10,079

has done to modernize vehicles and all

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00:10:15,829 --> 00:10:12,399

sorts of different alternatives to make

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00:10:17,350 --> 00:10:15,839

ground vehicles more uh effective uh

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00:10:20,230 --> 00:10:17,360

less

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00:10:22,310 --> 00:10:20,240

emissions

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00:10:24,790 --> 00:10:22,320

we have that same desire in the airline

262

00:10:26,389 --> 00:10:24,800

part of ups and a particular concern to

263

00:10:28,310 --> 00:10:26,399

ups is noise

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00:10:29,910 --> 00:10:28,320

because most of these operations are at

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00:10:31,670 --> 00:10:29,920

night we want to be a good neighbor and

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00:10:33,350 --> 00:10:31,680

we really want to reduce our noise one

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00:10:36,949 --> 00:10:33,360

example of that is

268

00:10:38,870 --> 00:10:36,959

that ups was the first airline to comply

269

00:10:40,710 --> 00:10:38,880

with the lower noise standards for

270

00:10:42,310 --> 00:10:40,720

engine noise and

271

00:10:44,230 --> 00:10:42,320

all of our aircraft were completed well

272

00:10:45,110 --> 00:10:44,240

ahead of the deadline we're very proud

273

00:10:47,030 --> 00:10:45,120

of that

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00:10:49,829 --> 00:10:47,040

so we have problems with scheduling and

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00:10:51,829 --> 00:10:49,839

noise and fuel efficiency what did ups

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00:10:55,030 --> 00:10:51,839

do to try to solve those problems

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00:10:58,069 --> 00:10:55,040

well ups uh has been involved with adsb

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00:11:00,230 --> 00:10:58,079

like nasa from probably the mid 90s on

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00:11:02,150 --> 00:11:00,240

and so there's a lot of work and and ups

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00:11:04,470 --> 00:11:02,160

identified this as a potential

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00:11:06,790 --> 00:11:04,480

technology that could really uh increase

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00:11:09,350 --> 00:11:06,800

the efficiency and operations at our

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00:11:10,069 --> 00:11:09,360

hubs and throughout the nation

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00:11:15,269 --> 00:11:10,079

the

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00:11:17,190 --> 00:11:15,279

operational evaluations we actually put

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00:11:18,310 --> 00:11:17,200

a number of aircraft in some cases 20 or

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00:11:20,630 --> 00:11:18,320

25

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00:11:22,230 --> 00:11:20,640

uh into the air at one time to to test

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00:11:26,150 --> 00:11:22,240

some of this technology and those were

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00:11:28,150 --> 00:11:26,160

done in 1999 and 2000. the one in 2000

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00:11:29,590 --> 00:11:28,160

actually nasa participated with an

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00:11:30,389 --> 00:11:29,600

aircraft and there were a number of

293

00:11:33,590 --> 00:11:30,399

other

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00:11:35,829 --> 00:11:33,600

participants that actually put

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00:11:37,509 --> 00:11:35,839

the airborne precision spacing on the

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00:11:39,350 --> 00:11:37,519

aircraft and demonstrated that it was a

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00:11:42,069 --> 00:11:39,360

viable technology

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00:11:44,150 --> 00:11:42,079

although ups didn't really have a plan

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00:11:47,670 --> 00:11:44,160

to for one particular application it did

300

00:11:50,069 --> 00:11:47,680

decide to uh further uh explore this by

301  
00:11:52,949 --> 00:11:50,079  
putting adsb on all of its seven fives

302  
00:11:55,910 --> 00:11:52,959  
and seven sixes in the early 90s

303  
00:11:57,990 --> 00:11:55,920  
so at the same time another project that

304  
00:12:00,710 --> 00:11:58,000  
nasa was involved with was continuous

305  
00:12:02,310 --> 00:12:00,720  
decent arrivals the concept here is

306  
00:12:03,350 --> 00:12:02,320  
instead of all the vectoring and

307  
00:12:06,629 --> 00:12:03,360  
altitude

308  
00:12:08,389 --> 00:12:06,639  
robert talked about what we want to do

309  
00:12:10,710 --> 00:12:08,399  
is we want to have the aircraft descend

310  
00:12:12,230 --> 00:12:10,720  
from their cruise altitude on an optimal

311  
00:12:14,230 --> 00:12:12,240  
path both both horizontally and

312  
00:12:16,150 --> 00:12:14,240  
vertically to the runway

313  
00:12:17,750 --> 00:12:16,160

and there had been talk about that for a

314

00:12:21,670 --> 00:12:17,760

long time nobody had really tested the

315

00:12:23,110 --> 00:12:21,680

viability of that so in 2002 2004 there

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00:12:25,190 --> 00:12:23,120

were some extensive tests that were done

317

00:12:27,509 --> 00:12:25,200

with ups aircraft and of course nasa was

318

00:12:30,230 --> 00:12:27,519

involved in testing this concept we do

319

00:12:32,790 --> 00:12:30,240

have a slide here that shows the results

320

00:12:35,190 --> 00:12:32,800

of that that test

321

00:12:36,870 --> 00:12:35,200

on on the top left you'll see

322

00:12:40,150 --> 00:12:36,880

basically when we were doing these

323

00:12:42,629 --> 00:12:40,160

trials how compact the flight paths were

324

00:12:43,910 --> 00:12:42,639

and and uh on the bottom one you can see

325

00:12:45,750 --> 00:12:43,920

that they're all over the place that's

326

00:12:47,670 --> 00:12:45,760

the difference between when you can take

327

00:12:49,670 --> 00:12:47,680

the airplane from altitude put them on a

328

00:12:51,350 --> 00:12:49,680

optimal path rather than all the

329

00:12:54,069 --> 00:12:51,360

vectoring and and other things that

330

00:12:55,670 --> 00:12:54,079

occur in a modern environment but the

331

00:12:58,310 --> 00:12:55,680

real surprise was with some of the stuff

332

00:13:00,470 --> 00:12:58,320

on the right there was a 30 reduction in

333

00:13:02,150 --> 00:13:00,480

noise and a greater than 30 reduction in

334

00:13:03,670 --> 00:13:02,160

emissions that's that's an enormous

335

00:13:05,190 --> 00:13:03,680

reduction when we're talking about a lot

336

00:13:07,110 --> 00:13:05,200

of the projects that are going on people

337

00:13:08,389 --> 00:13:07,120

are looking for one two

338

00:13:09,750 --> 00:13:08,399

they think they do really well if they

339

00:13:11,670 --> 00:13:09,760

get five percent but thirty percent

340

00:13:13,110 --> 00:13:11,680

reduction is just extraordinary and

341

00:13:15,110 --> 00:13:13,120

that's why everybody in the industry is

342

00:13:16,949 --> 00:13:15,120

very excited about getting this uh these

343

00:13:19,509 --> 00:13:16,959

ideas out there and and they are being

344

00:13:20,550 --> 00:13:19,519

used to a limited extent around around

345

00:13:22,710 --> 00:13:20,560

the globe

346

00:13:23,990 --> 00:13:22,720

and of course the operators like it also

347

00:13:26,550 --> 00:13:24,000

because there is a fuel savings

348

00:13:29,110 --> 00:13:26,560

identified there what's the

349

00:13:31,030 --> 00:13:29,120

geographic area that's covered by those

350

00:13:32,790 --> 00:13:31,040

the colored parts of that the edge of

351

00:13:34,470 --> 00:13:32,800

the slides are about 30 but where you

352

00:13:35,910 --> 00:13:34,480

see the the full colored tracks and

353

00:13:38,310 --> 00:13:35,920

everything that's about the last 10

354

00:13:40,949 --> 00:13:38,320

miles of the flight so 30 miles down to

355

00:13:44,310 --> 00:13:40,959

10 miles and and did you get any

356

00:13:46,310 --> 00:13:44,320

feedback from airport neighbors about

357

00:13:48,550 --> 00:13:46,320

whether they experienced any reduced

358

00:13:50,230 --> 00:13:48,560

noise yes it was it was noticeable and

359

00:13:51,829 --> 00:13:50,240

we did get some good compliments on that

360

00:13:52,550 --> 00:13:51,839

one of the funny things that happened

361

00:13:54,310 --> 00:13:52,560

was

362

00:13:56,949 --> 00:13:54,320

we were looking at some of the results

363

00:13:58,710 --> 00:13:56,959

and we saw some noise spikes in in some

364

00:14:00,550 --> 00:13:58,720

of the data that was taken at one of the

365

00:14:02,230 --> 00:14:00,560

sensors and it turned out it was a

366

00:14:04,470 --> 00:14:02,240

barking dog the barking dog was much

367

00:14:06,150 --> 00:14:04,480

louder than the aircraft

368

00:14:07,990 --> 00:14:06,160

that's pretty good

369

00:14:10,629 --> 00:14:08,000

uh you you um

370

00:14:12,949 --> 00:14:10,639

you had ended up having aircraft farther

371

00:14:14,629 --> 00:14:12,959

apart because of this is that is that

372

00:14:16,310 --> 00:14:14,639

right that's correct that was the only

373

00:14:17,670 --> 00:14:16,320

negative part of this whole thing and

374

00:14:19,990 --> 00:14:17,680

that's why it hasn't been more widely

375

00:14:21,910 --> 00:14:20,000

implemented at this point in time to get

376

00:14:23,829 --> 00:14:21,920

those aircraft so that they can have the

377

00:14:25,430 --> 00:14:23,839

freedom to be able to fly that optimal

378

00:14:26,790 --> 00:14:25,440

path meant we had to put the aircraft

379

00:14:28,629 --> 00:14:26,800

further apart if they're too close

380

00:14:29,910 --> 00:14:28,639

together the controller has to intervene

381

00:14:31,430 --> 00:14:29,920

and the controller has to take the

382

00:14:33,430 --> 00:14:31,440

aircraft off that

383

00:14:34,870 --> 00:14:33,440

optimal path so by putting the aircraft

384

00:14:38,629 --> 00:14:34,880

further apart

385

00:14:40,629 --> 00:14:38,639

we were able to to do this particular

386

00:14:42,790 --> 00:14:40,639

event so

387

00:14:44,870 --> 00:14:42,800

having them farther apart is a problem

388

00:14:46,550 --> 00:14:44,880

because you've got a schedule to meet

389

00:14:48,470 --> 00:14:46,560

and packages that have to get that are

390

00:14:50,389 --> 00:14:48,480

there destinations and customers that

391

00:14:52,230 --> 00:14:50,399

have to be pleased so

392

00:14:53,750 --> 00:14:52,240

how did you how did you work on that how

393

00:14:55,590 --> 00:14:53,760

did you solve that that's that's that's

394

00:14:57,269 --> 00:14:55,600

the problem and as i said the trials

395

00:14:58,949 --> 00:14:57,279

that are going on today they're only in

396

00:15:00,310 --> 00:14:58,959

very low density so that when you put

397

00:15:01,910 --> 00:15:00,320

the aircraft further apart you don't

398

00:15:04,470 --> 00:15:01,920

take a real penalty but if you try to do

399

00:15:06,470 --> 00:15:04,480

this in a major hub when the uh

400

00:15:08,790 --> 00:15:06,480

the capacity is at the same level as the

401  
00:15:11,430 --> 00:15:08,800  
demand you really have to you can't do

402  
00:15:12,949 --> 00:15:11,440  
it so we we looked at

403  
00:15:14,230 --> 00:15:12,959  
putting these two two technologies

404  
00:15:17,110 --> 00:15:14,240  
together those two projects i just

405  
00:15:20,550 --> 00:15:17,120  
talked about and and adding um

406  
00:15:22,310 --> 00:15:20,560  
airborne precision spacing to the

407  
00:15:23,509 --> 00:15:22,320  
to the aircraft now that's the adsb

408  
00:15:25,670 --> 00:15:23,519  
application

409  
00:15:27,990 --> 00:15:25,680  
the cda constant decent arrival does not

410  
00:15:31,110 --> 00:15:28,000  
require adsb but to get it so it's

411  
00:15:33,509 --> 00:15:31,120  
viable and in very dense operations you

412  
00:15:35,509 --> 00:15:33,519  
really need to add the uh the airborne

413  
00:15:37,910 --> 00:15:35,519

precision spacing so we put these two

414

00:15:39,509 --> 00:15:37,920

technologies together and and and we've

415

00:15:41,430 --> 00:15:39,519

run a number of trials on that and it

416

00:15:43,350 --> 00:15:41,440

works wonderfully it really does it is

417

00:15:45,990 --> 00:15:43,360

the solution for for the future as far

418

00:15:47,749 --> 00:15:46,000

as how we can get all these benefits i

419

00:15:48,550 --> 00:15:47,759

think that for those scientists out

420

00:15:50,389 --> 00:15:48,560

there

421

00:15:52,470 --> 00:15:50,399

the idea is today is basically a random

422

00:15:55,110 --> 00:15:52,480

system though it's an open loop system

423

00:15:56,710 --> 00:15:55,120

the controller does some control loop

424

00:15:58,629 --> 00:15:56,720

but but it's it's really not very

425

00:16:00,230 --> 00:15:58,639

precise and it's only at the end to be

426

00:16:01,910 --> 00:16:00,240

able to get this so it works completely

427

00:16:03,910 --> 00:16:01,920

what we need to do is schedule the

428

00:16:05,829 --> 00:16:03,920

aircraft a couple hundred miles from the

429

00:16:08,870 --> 00:16:05,839

airport and then we control that

430

00:16:11,590 --> 00:16:08,880

schedule using the uh

431

00:16:13,030 --> 00:16:11,600

aircraft precision spacing so that way

432

00:16:15,269 --> 00:16:13,040

the aircraft space all the way to the

433

00:16:17,030 --> 00:16:15,279

runway and we're able to do this on a

434

00:16:18,310 --> 00:16:17,040

very repeatable basis and one of the

435

00:16:19,670 --> 00:16:18,320

things you really get out of this is it

436

00:16:22,629 --> 00:16:19,680

turns out that you can do this in all

437

00:16:24,310 --> 00:16:22,639

weather today the delays go down when

438

00:16:26,069 --> 00:16:24,320

the weather is nice because the aircraft

439

00:16:28,470 --> 00:16:26,079

get closer together there's pilot

440

00:16:31,030 --> 00:16:28,480

involvement in the process when we're in

441

00:16:33,829 --> 00:16:31,040

bad weather we can't do that so we end

442

00:16:36,069 --> 00:16:33,839

up losing capacity when we do this it

443

00:16:37,990 --> 00:16:36,079

works in all weather conditions it's

444

00:16:39,670 --> 00:16:38,000

it's wonderful now you you've brought us

445

00:16:41,430 --> 00:16:39,680

some animation to show how this works is

446

00:16:43,430 --> 00:16:41,440

that right yes let's go ahead and show

447

00:16:46,550 --> 00:16:43,440

what it would look like if if we had all

448

00:16:48,949 --> 00:16:46,560

the aircraft in a major hub fully

449

00:16:51,189 --> 00:16:48,959

uh implemented you'll see that the the

450

00:16:52,629 --> 00:16:51,199

red the red bars in there are actually

451  
00:16:55,509 --> 00:16:52,639  
slots that the aircraft take in the

452  
00:16:57,110 --> 00:16:55,519  
schedule the yellow bars are the ones

453  
00:16:58,629 --> 00:16:57,120  
that there's a slot that's going to be

454  
00:16:59,910 --> 00:16:58,639  
used by an aircraft coming from another

455  
00:17:01,829 --> 00:16:59,920  
direction in other words we're going to

456  
00:17:04,230 --> 00:17:01,839  
have a merge in the process

457  
00:17:05,990 --> 00:17:04,240  
and the green slots are unused in this

458  
00:17:07,669 --> 00:17:06,000  
process what we saw was the inbounds

459  
00:17:09,429 --> 00:17:07,679  
from louisville to louisville from the

460  
00:17:11,909 --> 00:17:09,439  
east and now we're seeing them from the

461  
00:17:13,669 --> 00:17:11,919  
west and you can see how how precise all

462  
00:17:15,270 --> 00:17:13,679  
this looks and it's and there's no none

463  
00:17:16,949 --> 00:17:15,280

of that vectoring you see when you're

464

00:17:18,549 --> 00:17:16,959

out as a passenger day and the aircraft

465

00:17:19,590 --> 00:17:18,559

are flying back and forth in front of

466

00:17:21,270 --> 00:17:19,600

the airport

467

00:17:23,909 --> 00:17:21,280

all right so let's scale that out a

468

00:17:26,949 --> 00:17:23,919

little bit for robert what what is the

469

00:17:29,110 --> 00:17:26,959

status of implementation of adsb and

470

00:17:30,870 --> 00:17:29,120

how is the faa integrating with all of

471

00:17:32,390 --> 00:17:30,880

the different government and industry

472

00:17:34,070 --> 00:17:32,400

organizations that

473

00:17:36,950 --> 00:17:34,080

are involved in this

474

00:17:40,470 --> 00:17:36,960

so so the adsp program office under the

475

00:17:42,630 --> 00:17:40,480

faa has been around since early 2006 and

476  
00:17:45,270 --> 00:17:42,640  
we've really accomplished a remarkable

477  
00:17:47,830 --> 00:17:45,280  
amount in that short period of time we

478  
00:17:50,470 --> 00:17:47,840  
we are aggressively deploying the ground

479  
00:17:52,310 --> 00:17:50,480  
infrastructure putting adsb radio

480  
00:17:54,070 --> 00:17:52,320  
stations throughout the nas it's going

481  
00:17:56,150 --> 00:17:54,080  
to take some 800

482  
00:17:57,430 --> 00:17:56,160  
radio stations to cover

483  
00:18:00,470 --> 00:17:57,440  
all the airspace that's currently

484  
00:18:02,470 --> 00:18:00,480  
covered by radar today and we are also

485  
00:18:04,230 --> 00:18:02,480  
part of the program's baseline includes

486  
00:18:06,070 --> 00:18:04,240  
the gulf of mexico so we'll have

487  
00:18:08,950 --> 00:18:06,080  
surveillance for houston center across

488  
00:18:10,710 --> 00:18:08,960

the gulf of mexico

489

00:18:13,669 --> 00:18:10,720

we have we have four key sites that

490

00:18:15,590 --> 00:18:13,679

we're gonna we hope to get implemented

491

00:18:17,350 --> 00:18:15,600

this year within the next six months

492

00:18:19,350 --> 00:18:17,360

they are louisville kentucky

493

00:18:21,590 --> 00:18:19,360

philadelphia

494

00:18:23,029 --> 00:18:21,600

houston center's gulf of mexico and

495

00:18:24,870 --> 00:18:23,039

juneau alaska

496

00:18:26,470 --> 00:18:24,880

each of those sites represents a

497

00:18:28,390 --> 00:18:26,480

different automation platform within the

498

00:18:31,270 --> 00:18:28,400

faa so we're demonstrating

499

00:18:33,190 --> 00:18:31,280

that adsb can be integrated into the

500

00:18:35,430 --> 00:18:33,200

national airspace system for the

501  
00:18:37,590 --> 00:18:35,440  
purposes of providing air traffic

502  
00:18:38,390 --> 00:18:37,600  
services so the the controller now will

503  
00:18:40,710 --> 00:18:38,400  
see

504  
00:18:44,789 --> 00:18:40,720  
targets that will be partially derived

505  
00:18:47,430 --> 00:18:44,799  
by adsb and radar we're implementing new

506  
00:18:49,190 --> 00:18:47,440  
fusion trackers to to integrate

507  
00:18:52,549 --> 00:18:49,200  
all the surveillance sources

508  
00:18:54,150 --> 00:18:52,559  
and so by 2013 we expect to have the

509  
00:18:56,470 --> 00:18:54,160  
entire

510  
00:18:58,870 --> 00:18:56,480  
ground infrastructure in place all 800

511  
00:19:00,630 --> 00:18:58,880  
radio stations

512  
00:19:02,789 --> 00:19:00,640  
great great robert

513  
00:19:05,110 --> 00:19:02,799

bob thanks for being here to share with

514

00:19:07,270 --> 00:19:05,120

us today we can we can see now why a new

515

00:19:09,029 --> 00:19:07,280

tracking technology is necessary to

516

00:19:11,029 --> 00:19:09,039

support this volume of operations that

517

00:19:13,029 --> 00:19:11,039

we'll have in the 21st century in a

518

00:19:14,870 --> 00:19:13,039

moment we'll take a look at airborne

519

00:19:17,750 --> 00:19:14,880

precision spacing and nasa's

520

00:19:19,909 --> 00:19:17,760

contribution to the ups field tests with

521

00:19:22,310 --> 00:19:19,919

two nasa research scientists and our

522

00:19:25,110 --> 00:19:22,320

associate administrator for aeronautics

523

00:19:27,110 --> 00:19:25,120

research jaewon shin but first we want

524

00:19:28,630 --> 00:19:27,120

to give you an opportunity to get better

525

00:19:31,190 --> 00:19:28,640

acquainted with one of our four

526  
00:19:36,070 --> 00:19:31,200  
aeronautics research centers the langley

527  
00:19:39,430 --> 00:19:38,390  
aviation pioneer orville wright once

528  
00:19:42,070 --> 00:19:39,440  
said

529  
00:19:44,470 --> 00:19:42,080  
no flying machine will ever fly from new

530  
00:19:47,110 --> 00:19:44,480  
york to paris

531  
00:19:49,270 --> 00:19:47,120  
now those flights happen every day

532  
00:19:51,590 --> 00:19:49,280  
people goods and services move around

533  
00:19:53,669 --> 00:19:51,600  
the globe thanks to nasa langley

534  
00:19:55,830 --> 00:19:53,679  
aeronautics research

535  
00:19:58,549 --> 00:19:55,840  
langley engineers and technicians push

536  
00:19:59,909 --> 00:19:58,559  
the boundaries of flight ever faster and

537  
00:20:01,669 --> 00:19:59,919  
higher

538  
00:20:04,710 --> 00:20:01,679

leading the way in innovation and

539

00:20:07,029 --> 00:20:04,720

technology development

540

00:20:09,750 --> 00:20:07,039

we are key to the nationwide effort to

541

00:20:11,750 --> 00:20:09,760

modernize the skies to meet demands for

542

00:20:14,149 --> 00:20:11,760

increased air travel

543

00:20:16,549 --> 00:20:14,159

we design technologies to make the skies

544

00:20:18,470 --> 00:20:16,559

safer then take them to flight to make

545

00:20:21,909 --> 00:20:18,480

sure they work

546

00:20:24,470 --> 00:20:21,919

and they do every modern aircraft relies

547

00:20:27,669 --> 00:20:24,480

on technology developed over the last 90

548

00:20:29,590 --> 00:20:27,679

years at nasa langley

549

00:20:32,310 --> 00:20:29,600

langley researchers are changing the

550

00:20:35,110 --> 00:20:32,320

shape of aircraft to come too

551  
00:20:37,750 --> 00:20:35,120  
making them quieter

552  
00:20:42,630 --> 00:20:40,470  
and greener

553  
00:20:45,669 --> 00:20:42,640  
we're working to achieve supersonic

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00:20:51,029 --> 00:20:47,510  
and hypersonic breakthroughs with our

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00:20:55,270 --> 00:20:53,510  
nearly every us military aircraft has

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00:20:56,950 --> 00:20:55,280  
been tested in our wind tunnels and

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00:20:59,669 --> 00:20:56,960  
laboratories

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00:21:01,510 --> 00:20:59,679  
and when we go on to the moon and mars

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00:21:03,909 --> 00:21:01,520  
langley aeronautics expertise will

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00:21:06,310 --> 00:21:03,919  
safely lead the way

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00:21:08,149 --> 00:21:06,320  
through earth's atmosphere and those of

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00:21:11,110 --> 00:21:08,159  
other planets

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00:21:12,950 --> 00:21:11,120

at nasa langley our mission is to uplift

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00:21:15,669 --> 00:21:12,960

the world through our aeronautics

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00:21:18,470 --> 00:21:15,679

research and inspire innovations for a

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00:21:20,630 --> 00:21:18,480

better tomorrow

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00:21:26,630 --> 00:21:20,640

nasa langley

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00:21:30,470 --> 00:21:28,230

you're watching the leading edge an

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00:21:33,190 --> 00:21:30,480

aeronautics research discussion program

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00:21:34,870 --> 00:21:33,200

brought to you by nasa let me introduce

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00:21:37,430 --> 00:21:34,880

our associate administrator for

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00:21:39,029 --> 00:21:37,440

aeronautics research jaiwan shin who

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00:21:40,950 --> 00:21:39,039

will continue our chat about an

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00:21:43,029 --> 00:21:40,960

environmentally friendly solution for

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00:21:45,270 --> 00:21:43,039

air traffic congestion around airports

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00:21:47,270 --> 00:21:45,280  
nasa's airborne precision spacing

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00:21:50,390 --> 00:21:47,280  
research with two of our research

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00:21:52,549 --> 00:21:50,400  
scientists nancy smith and brian varmour

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00:21:55,029 --> 00:21:52,559  
both represent the aeronautics research

580  
00:21:58,470 --> 00:21:55,039  
mission directorate's airspace systems

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00:22:01,110 --> 00:21:58,480  
program nancy is with the human systems

582  
00:22:03,990 --> 00:22:01,120  
integration division at nasa's ames

583  
00:22:06,789 --> 00:22:04,000  
research center in california and brian

584  
00:22:08,789 --> 00:22:06,799  
is with the crew systems and aviations

585  
00:22:11,990 --> 00:22:08,799  
ava this is a hard one

586  
00:22:14,710 --> 00:22:12,000  
aviation operations branch at langley

587  
00:22:17,270 --> 00:22:14,720  
jay won great thank you beth

588  
00:22:18,149 --> 00:22:17,280

nancy and uh brian it's good to see you

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00:22:20,230 --> 00:22:18,159

again

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00:22:22,710 --> 00:22:20,240

thank you so much for being with us

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00:22:25,190 --> 00:22:22,720

today to discuss your research thank you

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00:22:26,390 --> 00:22:25,200

um i i believe our audience will

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00:22:29,110 --> 00:22:26,400

appreciate

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how important your research is we just

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00:22:31,830 --> 00:22:30,320

heard from

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00:22:34,710 --> 00:22:31,840

robert and bob

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00:22:37,669 --> 00:22:34,720

about what real life problems they are

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00:22:40,390 --> 00:22:37,679

dealing with and what benefit real life

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00:22:42,870 --> 00:22:40,400

benefits they have received from nasa

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00:22:46,070 --> 00:22:42,880

research so without any

601  
00:22:48,390 --> 00:22:46,080  
further ado let's dive right into it

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00:22:50,789 --> 00:22:48,400  
what kind of uh

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00:22:52,870 --> 00:22:50,799  
let's discuss what kind of a

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00:22:55,669 --> 00:22:52,880  
wonderful research that we've been doing

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00:22:57,270 --> 00:22:55,679  
in particular your research

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00:23:00,390 --> 00:22:57,280  
to begin

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00:23:02,549 --> 00:23:00,400  
i i'm curious how we are

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00:23:05,190 --> 00:23:02,559  
well recognized by

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00:23:07,270 --> 00:23:05,200  
national aeronautics association with

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00:23:09,510 --> 00:23:07,280  
the coliothropy let's talk about that

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00:23:11,350 --> 00:23:09,520  
first okay

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00:23:13,029 --> 00:23:11,360  
well i think um

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00:23:15,270 --> 00:23:13,039

we were recognized for the collier

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trophy because of the our involvement in

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00:23:18,310 --> 00:23:17,360

the activities that bob was describing

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00:23:22,870 --> 00:23:18,320

the

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00:23:24,870 --> 00:23:22,880

and i think brian can actually speak

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00:23:25,750 --> 00:23:24,880

more to some of uh some of nasa's role

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00:23:28,630 --> 00:23:25,760

there

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00:23:30,630 --> 00:23:28,640

but um in addition to the work that got

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00:23:32,950 --> 00:23:30,640

the collier trophy there's actually a

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00:23:35,750 --> 00:23:32,960

larger body of nasa research

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00:23:38,070 --> 00:23:35,760

on adsb at all four of our aeronautics

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00:23:39,750 --> 00:23:38,080

centers so in fact the the collier

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trophy um

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00:23:43,750 --> 00:23:42,240  
award was uh was was quite substantive

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00:23:45,909 --> 00:23:43,760  
and there's even more work that nasa is

628  
00:23:47,110 --> 00:23:45,919  
doing that's uh that's contributing to

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00:23:49,590 --> 00:23:47,120  
this

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00:23:52,230 --> 00:23:49,600  
it's a it's a it's a key technology that

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00:23:55,110 --> 00:23:52,240  
nasa recognizes has real potential to

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00:23:57,190 --> 00:23:55,120  
improve capacity and uh and safety in

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00:23:58,789 --> 00:23:57,200  
the nas in the in the future so we're

634  
00:24:00,070 --> 00:23:58,799  
we're very excited about uh about

635  
00:24:01,669 --> 00:24:00,080  
working on that

636  
00:24:04,870 --> 00:24:01,679  
oh yeah i would say there's probably

637  
00:24:06,390 --> 00:24:04,880  
been about a dozen or so adsb related

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00:24:08,390 --> 00:24:06,400

research projects

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00:24:10,470 --> 00:24:08,400

within nasa

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00:24:13,830 --> 00:24:10,480

ranging from trying to improve safety on

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00:24:15,990 --> 00:24:13,840

runways prevent runway incursions

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00:24:17,350 --> 00:24:16,000

to increasing the

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00:24:19,430 --> 00:24:17,360

throughput particularly during bad

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00:24:22,630 --> 00:24:19,440

weather for closely spaced parallel

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00:24:25,510 --> 00:24:22,640

runways which is an important um aspect

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00:24:28,630 --> 00:24:25,520

of increasing the um

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00:24:31,350 --> 00:24:28,640

the capacity of the airspace um

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00:24:33,190 --> 00:24:31,360

video from uh chicago yeah

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00:24:35,430 --> 00:24:33,200

so um

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00:24:37,669 --> 00:24:35,440

this is showing some of the work this is

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00:24:40,149 --> 00:24:37,679

uh one of the early trials of the

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00:24:43,750 --> 00:24:40,159

airborne precision spacing work uh we

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00:24:45,669 --> 00:24:43,760

took an early sample up to um chicago

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00:24:47,350 --> 00:24:45,679

working with a couple of our

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00:24:51,029 --> 00:24:47,360

industry partners at the time you can

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00:24:53,190 --> 00:24:51,039

see one of the inside of one of the nasa

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00:24:53,909 --> 00:24:53,200

research aircraft

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00:24:56,549 --> 00:24:53,919

and

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00:24:58,950 --> 00:24:56,559

we took this up there we

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00:25:00,549 --> 00:24:58,960

flew it in chicago worked with the

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00:25:02,630 --> 00:25:00,559

controllers

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00:25:05,110 --> 00:25:02,640

up there trying out

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00:25:07,190 --> 00:25:05,120

like i said some of the early prototypes

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00:25:09,430 --> 00:25:07,200

of this work um

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00:25:10,789 --> 00:25:09,440

one of the interesting things

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00:25:12,630 --> 00:25:10,799

you're seeing right now some of the

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00:25:15,269 --> 00:25:12,640

researchers working

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00:25:16,710 --> 00:25:15,279

monitoring the the data analyzing it as

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00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:16,720

it comes in

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00:25:20,390 --> 00:25:18,240

one of the interesting things that we

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00:25:22,630 --> 00:25:20,400

learned by going there was we were

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00:25:24,630 --> 00:25:22,640

trying a way to merge the multiple

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00:25:27,750 --> 00:25:24,640

traffic streams that robert had talked

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00:25:29,669 --> 00:25:27,760

about earlier we had a very simple

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00:25:30,390 --> 00:25:29,679

approach at the time we discovered that

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00:25:34,950 --> 00:25:30,400

it

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00:25:37,269 --> 00:25:34,960

be robust enough to use in a um

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00:25:38,789 --> 00:25:37,279

a fully operational environment so we've

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00:25:41,269 --> 00:25:38,799

actually gone back into the lab made

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00:25:44,710 --> 00:25:41,279

some improvements on that um some of the

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00:25:47,590 --> 00:25:44,720

stuff that they're now testing at ups

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00:25:49,590 --> 00:25:47,600

has evolved um out of that

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00:25:51,830 --> 00:25:49,600

that's great uh when it comes to

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00:25:54,630 --> 00:25:51,840

research i know there's nothing like

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00:25:57,190 --> 00:25:54,640

doing actual flight research yes

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00:26:00,390 --> 00:25:57,200

so how talk some more about how we got

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00:26:01,110 --> 00:26:00,400

involved in collaboration with ups okay

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00:26:04,230 --> 00:26:01,120

well

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00:26:06,630 --> 00:26:04,240

so um nasa really started probably um

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00:26:09,430 --> 00:26:06,640

back in i guess it was about 30 years

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00:26:10,470 --> 00:26:09,440

ago or so back in the late 70s looking

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00:26:13,350 --> 00:26:10,480

at

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00:26:15,590 --> 00:26:13,360

airborne precision spacing type of work

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00:26:17,830 --> 00:26:15,600

the main focus was on separating

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00:26:20,549 --> 00:26:17,840

aircraft or keeping them far enough

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00:26:21,909 --> 00:26:20,559

apart on approach to avoid the wake

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00:26:23,029 --> 00:26:21,919

vortices coming from the leading

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00:26:25,269 --> 00:26:23,039

aircraft

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00:26:27,029 --> 00:26:25,279

this was before the advent of adsb so it

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00:26:28,230 --> 00:26:27,039

was using some very basic surveillance

701  
00:26:29,430 --> 00:26:28,240  
information

702  
00:26:32,149 --> 00:26:29,440  
and stuff

703  
00:26:34,470 --> 00:26:32,159  
we have continued uh working at refining

704  
00:26:36,870 --> 00:26:34,480  
it through the years

705  
00:26:39,510 --> 00:26:36,880  
as nancy said in the mid to late 90s

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00:26:41,510 --> 00:26:39,520  
nasa identified adsb as you know being a

707  
00:26:43,430 --> 00:26:41,520  
key transitional technology we started

708  
00:26:44,950 --> 00:26:43,440  
applying that with the

709  
00:26:46,870 --> 00:26:44,960  
not only do you get

710  
00:26:49,029 --> 00:26:46,880  
more precise information but you can

711  
00:26:51,990 --> 00:26:49,039  
actually get more information

712  
00:26:53,269 --> 00:26:52,000  
um from the other aircraft

713  
00:26:55,190 --> 00:26:53,279

and so we

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00:26:57,430 --> 00:26:55,200

started refining the concepts refining

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00:27:00,149 --> 00:26:57,440

the the tools that we were using

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00:27:01,669 --> 00:27:00,159

so we had a pretty mature research

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00:27:02,789 --> 00:27:01,679

portfolio

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00:27:05,750 --> 00:27:02,799

when

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00:27:07,669 --> 00:27:05,760

ups started to to do their trials in

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00:27:09,990 --> 00:27:07,679

louisville uh they started talking with

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00:27:12,470 --> 00:27:10,000

the faa about wanting to

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00:27:14,470 --> 00:27:12,480

actually try some of this technology out

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00:27:17,510 --> 00:27:14,480

uh they were aware of the work that we

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00:27:19,029 --> 00:27:17,520

had done uh so you know it was a natural

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00:27:21,190 --> 00:27:19,039

partnership they came to us said that

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00:27:22,470 --> 00:27:21,200  
they wanted to use some of the work that

727  
00:27:24,230 --> 00:27:22,480  
we've been doing

728  
00:27:26,630 --> 00:27:24,240  
we were able to see this work actually

729  
00:27:28,389 --> 00:27:26,640  
get out into the field um as we

730  
00:27:29,990 --> 00:27:28,399  
mentioned there's nothing like

731  
00:27:33,029 --> 00:27:30,000  
having it out in the field to really

732  
00:27:34,230 --> 00:27:33,039  
learn the nuts and bolts

733  
00:27:36,389 --> 00:27:34,240  
of what you're getting so we're getting

734  
00:27:37,830 --> 00:27:36,399  
a lot of information back that way we're

735  
00:27:40,070 --> 00:27:37,840  
you know

736  
00:27:42,230 --> 00:27:40,080  
seeing things that we just can't see in

737  
00:27:44,389 --> 00:27:42,240  
a laboratory environment and we're able

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00:27:46,549 --> 00:27:44,399

to take that back into the lab and make

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00:27:47,590 --> 00:27:46,559

refinements make improvements and

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00:27:49,830 --> 00:27:47,600

continue

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00:27:50,950 --> 00:27:49,840

evolving our research

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00:27:53,750 --> 00:27:50,960

that's great

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00:27:55,750 --> 00:27:53,760

nancy as you mentioned earlier we're

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00:28:00,389 --> 00:27:55,760

doing far more than

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00:28:02,549 --> 00:28:00,399

just the capabilities to enable adsb

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00:28:04,789 --> 00:28:02,559

what other wonderful things are we doing

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00:28:07,590 --> 00:28:04,799

to help our valued

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00:28:11,269 --> 00:28:07,600

partners like ups or faa

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00:28:13,669 --> 00:28:11,279

yeah there's um there's actually um

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00:28:15,590 --> 00:28:13,679

as uh brian was talking about the

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00:28:18,389 --> 00:28:15,600

research that's gone on at langley i

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00:28:21,830 --> 00:28:18,399

work at nasa ames and

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00:28:24,630 --> 00:28:21,840

we have a long history of doing

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00:28:28,470 --> 00:28:24,640

investigation and development of

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00:28:32,950 --> 00:28:31,909

controllers and traffic managers in

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00:28:37,669 --> 00:28:32,960

in

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00:28:40,470 --> 00:28:37,679

uh one of those um

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00:28:42,549 --> 00:28:40,480

applications an arrival scheduler

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00:28:44,389 --> 00:28:42,559

application is actually particularly

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00:28:45,909 --> 00:28:44,399

relevant to what we've been discussing

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00:28:47,669 --> 00:28:45,919

today the

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00:28:49,669 --> 00:28:47,679

the the work

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00:28:51,830 --> 00:28:49,679

that involves

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00:28:53,669 --> 00:28:51,840

the airborne precision spacing

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00:28:54,789 --> 00:28:53,679

and what we

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00:28:56,710 --> 00:28:54,799

were doing

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00:28:58,870 --> 00:28:56,720

at ames and what my group was doing at

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00:29:01,110 --> 00:28:58,880

ames was preparing to conduct a

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00:29:03,430 --> 00:29:01,120

simulation that combined airborne

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00:29:07,029 --> 00:29:03,440

precision spacing but

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00:29:09,350 --> 00:29:07,039

with arrival scheduling so we used our

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00:29:10,389 --> 00:29:09,360

expertise in

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00:29:17,110 --> 00:29:10,399

in

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00:29:21,590 --> 00:29:17,120

mocked up a concept simulated a concept

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00:29:25,269 --> 00:29:23,430

to

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00:29:26,710 --> 00:29:25,279

organize the aircraft so that when they

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00:29:29,750 --> 00:29:26,720

came together at the merge they were

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00:29:32,149 --> 00:29:29,760

well positioned to uh to pair up and to

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00:29:34,070 --> 00:29:32,159

uh to to self-space

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00:29:36,070 --> 00:29:34,080

so uh we were getting ready to do that

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00:29:37,590 --> 00:29:36,080

in 2005. we were preparing to run a

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00:29:40,789 --> 00:29:37,600

human in the loop simulation of this

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00:29:42,710 --> 00:29:40,799

concept and we have a a researcher with

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00:29:45,269 --> 00:29:42,720

our team who's

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00:29:47,110 --> 00:29:45,279

been involved with the ups activity so

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00:29:48,789 --> 00:29:47,120

we ended up making some changes to our

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00:29:50,710 --> 00:29:48,799

concept so that it would emulate what

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00:29:53,350 --> 00:29:50,720

was going on in louisville and i'll talk

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00:29:55,590 --> 00:29:53,360

more about that later but first i wanted

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00:29:57,669 --> 00:29:55,600

to say a little bit about

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00:29:59,350 --> 00:29:57,679

in addition to the flight tests uh some

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00:30:01,510 --> 00:29:59,360

of the the kind of things that we can

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00:30:03,510 --> 00:30:01,520

learn and what we do in uh laboratory

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simulations as well and i've got a

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00:30:08,070 --> 00:30:05,440

couple of my colleagues from uh from

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00:30:10,710 --> 00:30:08,080

ames from the air space operations lab

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00:30:12,710 --> 00:30:10,720

and we have a video clip that

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00:30:15,110 --> 00:30:12,720

shows them describing

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00:30:17,909 --> 00:30:15,120

what we do there

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00:30:19,110 --> 00:30:17,919

this facility is the airspace operations

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00:30:21,669 --> 00:30:19,120  
lab

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00:30:23,029 --> 00:30:21,679  
we use it to rapidly prototype and

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00:30:25,430 --> 00:30:23,039  
investigate

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00:30:28,630 --> 00:30:25,440  
future air traffic concepts

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00:30:31,990 --> 00:30:28,640  
so it's aimed at operations research

806  
00:30:34,549 --> 00:30:32,000  
with people pilots and controllers and

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00:30:37,269 --> 00:30:34,559  
with new technologies the current air

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00:30:39,830 --> 00:30:37,279  
transportation system is very safe but

809  
00:30:41,590 --> 00:30:39,840  
it's also fairly outdated

810  
00:30:44,789 --> 00:30:41,600  
and so there is a

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00:30:47,029 --> 00:30:44,799  
very broad modernization effort ongoing

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00:30:48,630 --> 00:30:47,039  
and there is also

813  
00:30:50,630 --> 00:30:48,640

the plans are in place for the next

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00:30:52,549 --> 00:30:50,640

generation air transportation

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00:30:55,669 --> 00:30:52,559

system that is envisioned to replace the

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00:30:57,509 --> 00:30:55,679

current system over the next two decades

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00:30:59,990 --> 00:30:57,519

we're particularly interested in the

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00:31:01,750 --> 00:31:00,000

role of humans in in that kind of system

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00:31:03,509 --> 00:31:01,760

and the

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00:31:05,190 --> 00:31:03,519

different roles of the what the pilots

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00:31:07,029 --> 00:31:05,200

might do and what they could do on the

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00:31:09,830 --> 00:31:07,039

ground so we were looking at both

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00:31:11,350 --> 00:31:09,840

cockpits and air traffic controllers on

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00:31:13,909 --> 00:31:11,360

ground systems now how the whole thing

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00:31:15,750 --> 00:31:13,919

would work together this research really

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is using an awful lot of the tools that

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00:31:20,070 --> 00:31:17,279

are being talked about for next year

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00:31:21,430 --> 00:31:20,080

it's using adsb satellite navigation

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00:31:23,269 --> 00:31:21,440

it's using

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00:31:25,669 --> 00:31:23,279

datalink communications to send up

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00:31:27,509 --> 00:31:25,679

trajectories to airplanes nextgen is

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00:31:29,430 --> 00:31:27,519

very much sending up whole paths for an

833

00:31:31,750 --> 00:31:29,440

airplane to fly

834

00:31:33,669 --> 00:31:31,760

and that's what this is doing that the

835

00:31:35,029 --> 00:31:33,679

controllers are communicating with the

836

00:31:38,950 --> 00:31:35,039

pilots

837

00:31:43,830 --> 00:31:41,750

so as you just heard we

838

00:31:45,590 --> 00:31:43,840

have incorporated some of these advanced

839

00:31:47,110 --> 00:31:45,600

next-gen capabilities into our

840

00:31:49,029 --> 00:31:47,120

simulation lab

841

00:31:51,430 --> 00:31:49,039

and we

842

00:31:54,470 --> 00:31:51,440

integrated a suite of that functionality

843

00:31:56,389 --> 00:31:54,480

to be able to test this this concept uh

844

00:31:58,389 --> 00:31:56,399

that we called two wild for trajectory

845

00:32:00,710 --> 00:31:58,399

oriented operations with limited

846

00:32:01,669 --> 00:32:00,720

delegation

847

00:32:07,669 --> 00:32:01,679

i

848

00:32:09,590 --> 00:32:07,679

actually

849

00:32:10,389 --> 00:32:09,600

follows up on what evan tom were saying

850

00:32:11,990 --> 00:32:10,399

and

851  
00:32:13,669 --> 00:32:12,000  
shows you what our lab looks like when

852  
00:32:14,950 --> 00:32:13,679  
we're actually running simulations so

853  
00:32:16,230 --> 00:32:14,960  
you can get a little bit more of a feel

854  
00:32:19,590 --> 00:32:16,240  
for what we do

855  
00:32:21,830 --> 00:32:19,600  
so so this is our air traffic controller

856  
00:32:24,630 --> 00:32:21,840  
lab and what you see is

857  
00:32:25,509 --> 00:32:24,640  
some controller stations and on the back

858  
00:32:27,190 --> 00:32:25,519  
wall

859  
00:32:29,590 --> 00:32:27,200  
there's a

860  
00:32:31,190 --> 00:32:29,600  
projection of the traffic problem that

861  
00:32:33,430 --> 00:32:31,200  
the controllers are working now in this

862  
00:32:35,909 --> 00:32:33,440  
case it was the louisville traffic

863  
00:32:37,750 --> 00:32:35,919

problem um similar to what bob was

864

00:32:40,149 --> 00:32:37,760

showing but we were just sort of

865

00:32:42,710 --> 00:32:40,159

simulating one one quarter of that

866

00:32:47,110 --> 00:32:42,720

of that full rival airspace we've got

867

00:32:52,470 --> 00:32:49,909

stations that are a

868

00:32:53,590 --> 00:32:52,480

emulation of what they actually have in

869

00:32:54,710 --> 00:32:53,600

the field

870

00:32:56,630 --> 00:32:54,720

with

871

00:32:58,310 --> 00:32:56,640

some advanced tools and functionality

872

00:33:00,310 --> 00:32:58,320

integrated in so the weather display

873

00:33:01,990 --> 00:33:00,320

that you're seeing that timeline off to

874

00:33:03,190 --> 00:33:02,000

the right and the

875

00:33:09,029 --> 00:33:03,200

um

876

00:33:11,669 --> 00:33:09,039

additions that

877

00:33:13,750 --> 00:33:11,679

are part of this

878

00:33:16,470 --> 00:33:13,760

emulated next-gen tool suite that the

879

00:33:18,070 --> 00:33:16,480

controllers are using to work this uh

880

00:33:24,389 --> 00:33:18,080

this

881

00:33:25,830 --> 00:33:24,399

again a little bit of an enhancement on

882

00:33:29,430 --> 00:33:25,840

today's

883

00:33:31,750 --> 00:33:29,440

displays we have some color-coded

884

00:33:32,870 --> 00:33:31,760

data blocks and again the the timeline

885

00:33:34,630 --> 00:33:32,880

on the left

886

00:33:36,630 --> 00:33:34,640

but what the controllers are doing here

887

00:33:38,070 --> 00:33:36,640

they have some aircraft so this is our

888

00:33:39,909 --> 00:33:38,080

two-wire simulation they have some

889

00:33:41,909 --> 00:33:39,919

aircraft that were capable of

890

00:33:42,870 --> 00:33:41,919

self-spacing and some aircraft that were

891

00:33:45,029 --> 00:33:42,880

not

892

00:33:46,149 --> 00:33:45,039

and they were working a problem that

893

00:33:47,269 --> 00:33:46,159

integrated

894

00:33:50,310 --> 00:33:47,279

the self-spacing and the

895

00:33:52,149 --> 00:33:50,320

non-self-spacing aircraft into a single

896

00:33:53,430 --> 00:33:52,159

arrival stream using this timeline for

897

00:33:55,110 --> 00:33:53,440

coordination

898

00:33:58,389 --> 00:33:55,120

now what you see here

899

00:33:59,269 --> 00:33:58,399

is one of our pseudo-pilots and we have

900

00:34:03,350 --> 00:33:59,279

to

901  
00:34:07,830 --> 00:34:06,149  
some confederate pilots who are

902  
00:34:09,349 --> 00:34:07,840  
responding to the clearances that the

903  
00:34:11,750 --> 00:34:09,359  
controllers give

904  
00:34:14,629 --> 00:34:11,760  
and we call those guys pseudo-pilots um

905  
00:34:17,030 --> 00:34:14,639  
but what that uh what that

906  
00:34:20,310 --> 00:34:17,040  
gives us is the controller is working a

907  
00:34:22,470 --> 00:34:20,320  
rich complex uh fully responsive problem

908  
00:34:25,349 --> 00:34:22,480  
so so basically

909  
00:34:28,470 --> 00:34:25,359  
every aircraft that's in there in their

910  
00:34:32,149 --> 00:34:28,480  
scope is something that responds to them

911  
00:34:33,909 --> 00:34:32,159  
so this is a slide that shows

912  
00:34:35,669 --> 00:34:33,919  
actually the the two labs that were

913  
00:34:38,069 --> 00:34:35,679

involved in the simulation what i was

914

00:34:39,750 --> 00:34:38,079

showing you earlier in the video is just

915

00:34:42,710 --> 00:34:39,760

some footage from our airspace

916

00:34:46,629 --> 00:34:42,720

operations lab but in fact we also had

917

00:34:49,829 --> 00:34:46,639

um eight uh commercial pilots

918

00:34:51,750 --> 00:34:49,839

who were test participants in this

919

00:34:53,589 --> 00:34:51,760

simulation study in addition to our four

920

00:34:57,349 --> 00:34:53,599

air traffic controllers

921

00:35:00,630 --> 00:34:57,359

and they were working at um

922

00:35:03,510 --> 00:35:00,640

desktop simulators and flying uh the

923

00:35:06,950 --> 00:35:03,520

aircraft in the simulation

924

00:35:11,430 --> 00:35:09,030

had some advanced displays were able to

925

00:35:13,349 --> 00:35:11,440

to to execute the

926  
00:35:15,349 --> 00:35:13,359  
the adsb

927  
00:35:17,670 --> 00:35:15,359  
airborne precision spacing

928  
00:35:18,790 --> 00:35:17,680  
clearances that they were assigned

929  
00:35:20,630 --> 00:35:18,800  
and

930  
00:35:22,069 --> 00:35:20,640  
so i think if you

931  
00:35:23,990 --> 00:35:22,079  
if you could show

932  
00:35:26,710 --> 00:35:24,000  
the next slide please

933  
00:35:27,990 --> 00:35:26,720  
i just wanted to give you one sample of

934  
00:35:29,430 --> 00:35:28,000  
the data that we had from this

935  
00:35:31,109 --> 00:35:29,440  
simulation

936  
00:35:32,950 --> 00:35:31,119  
and this

937  
00:35:35,750 --> 00:35:32,960  
i guess speaks to a point that both bob

938  
00:35:38,470 --> 00:35:35,760

and robert were making earlier that that

939

00:35:42,069 --> 00:35:38,480

if you have self-spacing aircraft

940

00:35:45,109 --> 00:35:42,079

you are going to be able to um

941

00:35:46,710 --> 00:35:45,119

to have tighter control and more precise

942

00:35:49,109 --> 00:35:46,720

control over the spacing interval

943

00:35:50,870 --> 00:35:49,119

between a lead aircraft and and the

944

00:35:51,910 --> 00:35:50,880

aircraft that it's space that's facing

945

00:35:54,069 --> 00:35:51,920

off of it

946

00:35:55,670 --> 00:35:54,079

uh what you see here in red

947

00:35:56,710 --> 00:35:55,680

are um

948

00:35:57,910 --> 00:35:56,720

are

949

00:35:58,950 --> 00:35:57,920

well i guess i should explain what the

950

00:36:01,190 --> 00:35:58,960

plot is

951  
00:36:03,990 --> 00:36:01,200  
um it's um

952  
00:36:06,069 --> 00:36:04,000  
what you're seeing is the error between

953  
00:36:07,190 --> 00:36:06,079  
the target interval

954  
00:36:07,990 --> 00:36:07,200  
and

955  
00:36:14,310 --> 00:36:08,000  
the

956  
00:36:16,550 --> 00:36:14,320  
simulation

957  
00:36:18,230 --> 00:36:16,560  
at the runway threshold

958  
00:36:19,589 --> 00:36:18,240  
and what you see in red

959  
00:36:20,870 --> 00:36:19,599  
is how

960  
00:36:23,829 --> 00:36:20,880  
tightly

961  
00:36:26,790 --> 00:36:23,839  
the target interval was achieved

962  
00:36:29,430 --> 00:36:26,800  
when the aircraft were self-spacing so

963  
00:36:31,270 --> 00:36:29,440

the accuracy was

964

00:36:33,030 --> 00:36:31,280

within one and a half seconds plus or

965

00:36:35,430 --> 00:36:33,040

minus five seconds i mean that's that's

966

00:36:39,190 --> 00:36:35,440

that's really pretty remarkable the

967

00:36:41,910 --> 00:36:39,200

alternative uh non-spacing uh condition

968

00:36:44,150 --> 00:36:41,920

had um the controllers issuing speed

969

00:36:46,230 --> 00:36:44,160

instructions again using tools so this

970

00:36:48,550 --> 00:36:46,240

is also advanced operations

971

00:36:50,550 --> 00:36:48,560

and um and so the controllers were

972

00:36:52,310 --> 00:36:50,560

responsible for maintaining the spacing

973

00:36:56,630 --> 00:36:52,320

and they did a great job too but with

974

00:37:01,589 --> 00:36:59,190

less precise uh control over that over

975

00:37:03,829 --> 00:37:01,599

that interval so again this this sort of

976

00:37:06,069 --> 00:37:03,839

gives you a good uh good indication of

977

00:37:08,470 --> 00:37:06,079

how much the

978

00:37:11,109 --> 00:37:08,480

the spacing application can actually can

979

00:37:13,190 --> 00:37:11,119

actually help great thank you nancy i i

980

00:37:15,109 --> 00:37:13,200

have been to that lab

981

00:37:17,109 --> 00:37:15,119

and

982

00:37:19,990 --> 00:37:17,119

they are not acting up because they were

983

00:37:21,589 --> 00:37:20,000

being taped they always looked at carmen

984

00:37:24,230 --> 00:37:21,599

professional

985

00:37:26,230 --> 00:37:24,240

and um

986

00:37:27,349 --> 00:37:26,240

but i think the benefits of your

987

00:37:29,750 --> 00:37:27,359

research

988

00:37:33,430 --> 00:37:29,760

are wild so that

989

00:37:35,190 --> 00:37:33,440

name too wild is very fitting i think

990

00:37:37,510 --> 00:37:35,200

um

991

00:37:38,790 --> 00:37:37,520

so so let's talk a little bit more about

992

00:37:41,510 --> 00:37:38,800

that um

993

00:37:43,990 --> 00:37:41,520

out of the uh collaboration with ups

994

00:37:47,270 --> 00:37:44,000

what what kind of benefits did you get

995

00:37:50,390 --> 00:37:47,280

to improve uh too wild okay

996

00:37:52,310 --> 00:37:50,400

well it it it did change the the way

997

00:37:53,349 --> 00:37:52,320

that we ran the simulation we for

998

00:37:54,230 --> 00:37:53,359

instance

999

00:38:00,069 --> 00:37:54,240

um

1000

00:38:02,870 --> 00:38:00,079

and and in the case of this simulation

1001  
00:38:04,870 --> 00:38:02,880  
it was uh someone who was

1002  
00:38:07,190 --> 00:38:04,880  
setting things up before the aircraft

1003  
00:38:08,790 --> 00:38:07,200  
actually uh reached the uh the

1004  
00:38:12,310 --> 00:38:08,800  
controller sector

1005  
00:38:14,790 --> 00:38:12,320  
and uh at ups that operations is uh is

1006  
00:38:17,109 --> 00:38:14,800  
is being tested as something that's done

1007  
00:38:19,270 --> 00:38:17,119  
by the airline dispatcher so that was an

1008  
00:38:21,670 --> 00:38:19,280  
interesting thing for us to uh to add to

1009  
00:38:23,990 --> 00:38:21,680  
the simulation was this

1010  
00:38:25,270 --> 00:38:24,000  
this uh third party who's actually kind

1011  
00:38:29,190 --> 00:38:25,280  
of preparing the problem for the

1012  
00:38:34,710 --> 00:38:31,670  
the other thing that that we got out of

1013  
00:38:34,720 --> 00:38:37,430

that

1014

00:38:42,710 --> 00:38:40,390

it it gave us a chance to

1015

00:38:44,630 --> 00:38:42,720

look at

1016

00:38:46,950 --> 00:38:44,640

how

1017

00:38:51,109 --> 00:38:46,960

a single carrier operation

1018

00:38:51,910 --> 00:38:51,119

could uh could could mix with um

1019

00:38:53,030 --> 00:38:51,920

with

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00:39:05,829 --> 00:38:53,040

a

1021

00:39:07,190 --> 00:39:05,839

quite interesting

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00:39:18,390 --> 00:39:07,200

um

1023

00:39:20,550 --> 00:39:18,400

input to our simulation

1024

00:39:23,109 --> 00:39:20,560

that uh that definitely made it a a

1025

00:39:25,589 --> 00:39:23,119

richer problem for us to work

1026  
00:39:27,430 --> 00:39:25,599  
and hopefully provided some uh some

1027  
00:39:29,349 --> 00:39:27,440  
insights and some

1028  
00:39:31,750 --> 00:39:29,359  
some benefit to the to the merging and

1029  
00:39:34,390 --> 00:39:31,760  
spacing and ups operations as well

1030  
00:39:36,790 --> 00:39:34,400  
right i think you summed up well that

1031  
00:39:39,510 --> 00:39:36,800  
that's the value of partnership with our

1032  
00:39:43,910 --> 00:39:41,589  
so in in closing

1033  
00:39:46,870 --> 00:39:43,920  
let's hear some preview

1034  
00:39:49,190 --> 00:39:46,880  
what what are the next steps

1035  
00:39:50,550 --> 00:39:49,200  
for nasa and what what are you guys

1036  
00:39:53,349 --> 00:39:50,560  
working on

1037  
00:39:55,190 --> 00:39:53,359  
that will bring on new capabilities that

1038  
00:39:56,790 --> 00:39:55,200

we cannot

1039

00:39:57,910 --> 00:39:56,800

practice today

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00:39:59,589 --> 00:39:57,920

uh well

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00:40:01,030 --> 00:39:59,599

so there's still a lot of work to be

1042

00:40:04,470 --> 00:40:01,040

done um

1043

00:40:05,589 --> 00:40:04,480

in in louisville right now the focus has

1044

00:40:07,510 --> 00:40:05,599

been on the

1045

00:40:10,710 --> 00:40:07,520

ups only operations in the middle of the

1046

00:40:12,950 --> 00:40:10,720

night um so there needs to still be

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00:40:14,550 --> 00:40:12,960

some work on extending that into daytime

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00:40:17,109 --> 00:40:14,560

operations where they're having to

1049

00:40:18,790 --> 00:40:17,119

interact with other airlines that are

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00:40:19,670 --> 00:40:18,800

particularly bringing in passengers and

1051

00:40:22,470 --> 00:40:19,680

stuff

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00:40:25,030 --> 00:40:22,480

um but then moving from there the real

1053

00:40:27,109 --> 00:40:25,040

goal the real impact of this work on the

1054

00:40:29,190 --> 00:40:27,119

national airspace system is when you can

1055

00:40:32,470 --> 00:40:29,200

start doing this at the really busy hubs

1056

00:40:34,710 --> 00:40:32,480

the places like chicago atlanta

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00:40:37,109 --> 00:40:34,720

san francisco those types of places

1058

00:40:39,109 --> 00:40:37,119

where any sort of delay or disruption

1059

00:40:41,430 --> 00:40:39,119

that occurs ripples throughout the

1060

00:40:44,069 --> 00:40:41,440

entire system so we really need to start

1061

00:40:46,550 --> 00:40:44,079

working at how you integrate the

1062

00:40:49,270 --> 00:40:46,560

those who can do this with uh those who

1063

00:40:50,390 --> 00:40:49,280

have not yet equipped um who or who

1064

00:40:53,109 --> 00:40:50,400

choose not

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00:40:55,910 --> 00:40:53,119

to equip um you know a much more

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00:40:58,069 --> 00:40:55,920

complicated mix of aircraft types all

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00:40:59,750 --> 00:40:58,079

that kind of stuff's going to

1068

00:41:02,069 --> 00:40:59,760

add more difficulty to the problem and

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00:41:04,950 --> 00:41:02,079

so so there's still a lot of work we're

1070

00:41:07,349 --> 00:41:04,960

doing stuff in the lab right now on

1071

00:41:08,390 --> 00:41:07,359

testing new ideas on on how to use this

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00:41:12,710 --> 00:41:08,400

in a

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00:41:16,950 --> 00:41:14,390

and much along

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00:41:18,390 --> 00:41:16,960

the the same lines there's uh there's

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00:41:20,309 --> 00:41:18,400

ongoing work at

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00:41:22,230 --> 00:41:20,319

ames developing the scheduling

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00:41:24,630 --> 00:41:22,240

applications to really be able to handle

1078

00:41:25,750 --> 00:41:24,640

these complex problems

1079

00:41:33,829 --> 00:41:25,760

the

1080

00:41:34,870 --> 00:41:33,839

merging from multiple directions and

1081

00:41:37,990 --> 00:41:34,880

had the

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00:41:39,990 --> 00:41:38,000

the red and yellow coated slots the the

1083

00:41:42,470 --> 00:41:40,000

the green slots being filled

1084

00:41:45,430 --> 00:41:42,480

by uh by aircraft that change color

1085

00:41:47,829 --> 00:41:45,440

that's um a pretty challenging

1086

00:41:50,470 --> 00:41:47,839

scheduling problem and there's work

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00:41:51,349 --> 00:41:50,480

going on right now at nasa to uh

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00:41:54,230 --> 00:41:51,359

to

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00:41:56,230 --> 00:41:54,240

explore how you would manage that and

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00:41:58,950 --> 00:41:56,240

also be able to support these continuous

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00:42:00,230 --> 00:41:58,960

descent arrivals so it's um

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00:42:02,069 --> 00:42:00,240

it's it's

1093

00:42:03,829 --> 00:42:02,079

there's some interesting stuff happening

1094

00:42:06,069 --> 00:42:03,839

that's again directly related to what

1095

00:42:09,030 --> 00:42:06,079

we've been talking about today great

1096

00:42:11,030 --> 00:42:09,040

nancy and brian thanks so much i'm

1097

00:42:13,750 --> 00:42:11,040

looking forward to all the good stuff

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00:42:17,030 --> 00:42:13,760

coming out of your research

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00:42:20,870 --> 00:42:17,040

as as robert from faa mentioned

1100

00:42:23,030 --> 00:42:20,880

they are expanding adsb to wider

1101

00:42:26,309 --> 00:42:23,040

ranges and more airports

1102

00:42:28,950 --> 00:42:26,319

so i can envision i can envision that my

1103

00:42:30,710 --> 00:42:28,960

neighbor in near future

1104

00:42:33,829 --> 00:42:30,720

talking to me that hey

1105

00:42:35,510 --> 00:42:33,839

my my flight was aided by adsb

1106

00:42:38,470 --> 00:42:35,520

today so

1107

00:42:39,990 --> 00:42:38,480

i i'm envisioning that adsb becoming a

1108

00:42:42,390 --> 00:42:40,000

household name

1109

00:42:44,870 --> 00:42:42,400

out of uh your excellent

1110

00:42:47,109 --> 00:42:44,880

research and our collaboration so again

1111

00:42:48,870 --> 00:42:47,119

thank you very much and i'm very proud

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00:42:50,390 --> 00:42:48,880

of you thank you thank you thank you

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00:42:51,990 --> 00:42:50,400

thank you all next we'll take some

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00:42:53,510 --> 00:42:52,000

questions from our audience but first

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00:42:55,190 --> 00:42:53,520

we'd like to give you an opportunity to

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00:42:57,750 --> 00:42:55,200

get acquainted with another one of our

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00:43:15,190 --> 00:42:57,760

aeronautics research centers the dryden

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00:43:15,200 --> 00:44:29,030

so

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00:44:29,040 --> 00:45:16,230

do

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00:45:20,390 --> 00:45:17,910

you're watching the leading edge an

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00:45:22,470 --> 00:45:20,400

aeronautics research discussion program

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00:45:24,230 --> 00:45:22,480

brought to you by nasa we've been

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00:45:27,589 --> 00:45:24,240

discussing automatic dependent

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00:45:29,829 --> 00:45:27,599

surveillance broadcast or adsv and

1125

00:45:32,710 --> 00:45:29,839

nasa's airborne precision spacing

1126  
00:45:35,589 --> 00:45:32,720  
research our panelists today are robert

1127  
00:45:36,950 --> 00:45:35,599  
novia of the faa bob hill representing

1128  
00:45:39,430 --> 00:45:36,960  
ups

1129  
00:45:42,550 --> 00:45:39,440  
nancy smith and brian barr moore who are

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00:45:44,950 --> 00:45:42,560  
with us at nasa as researchers and we're

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00:45:47,270 --> 00:45:44,960  
ready to take some questions here uh at

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00:45:49,589 --> 00:45:47,280  
nasa headquarters in the audience do we

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00:45:52,150 --> 00:45:49,599  
have anyone

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00:45:53,990 --> 00:45:52,160  
i was fascinated by the earlier graphic

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00:45:56,309 --> 00:45:54,000  
you showed with the dollar signs blowing

1136  
00:45:58,230 --> 00:45:56,319  
out the back end of the airplane and i

1137  
00:46:00,870 --> 00:45:58,240  
thought that did a nice job of

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00:46:03,109 --> 00:46:00,880

demonstrating that the economic impact

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00:46:05,270 --> 00:46:03,119

of nasa's research what i'm curious

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00:46:07,030 --> 00:46:05,280

about is uh and to try to understand

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00:46:08,390 --> 00:46:07,040

better is then what's the next step in

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00:46:11,750 --> 00:46:08,400

the process

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00:46:14,710 --> 00:46:11,760

of how do we go from the research to

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00:46:17,109 --> 00:46:14,720

implementation in an operational sense

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00:46:18,950 --> 00:46:17,119

what's nasa's role in that is that an

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00:46:21,510 --> 00:46:18,960

faa decision

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00:46:25,270 --> 00:46:21,520

or is that something uh the airlines

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00:46:31,589 --> 00:46:28,950

okay is that directed to me okay

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00:46:34,470 --> 00:46:31,599

so um when i was describing the the

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00:46:38,309 --> 00:46:34,480

initial sbs or adsb program office

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00:46:40,309 --> 00:46:38,319

objective uh i was speaking mostly

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00:46:42,790 --> 00:46:40,319

about just providing surveillance for

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00:46:44,230 --> 00:46:42,800

atc to provide separation services the

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00:46:46,630 --> 00:46:44,240

way they do today

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00:46:49,829 --> 00:46:46,640

but really the the true value with the

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00:46:52,150 --> 00:46:49,839

adsb technology is the adsb in component

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00:46:54,790 --> 00:46:52,160

where we uplink

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00:46:56,390 --> 00:46:54,800

traffic data to the cockpit and that

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00:46:58,390 --> 00:46:56,400

really opens up all kinds of

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00:47:00,390 --> 00:46:58,400

opportunities to to have advanced

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00:47:02,550 --> 00:47:00,400

applications and to realize some of

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00:47:04,150 --> 00:47:02,560

these uh spacing initiatives

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00:47:06,550 --> 00:47:04,160

the uh the probably the biggest

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00:47:08,069 --> 00:47:06,560

challenge we face is for an extended

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00:47:11,190 --> 00:47:08,079

period of time we're going to be in a

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00:47:13,030 --> 00:47:11,200

mixed uh equipage environment mode so we

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00:47:14,390 --> 00:47:13,040

would we're

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00:47:17,030 --> 00:47:14,400

we're in a tough spot of trying to

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00:47:18,870 --> 00:47:17,040

develop operational concepts that work

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00:47:21,349 --> 00:47:18,880

for when only part of the aircraft in

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00:47:24,790 --> 00:47:21,359

the airspace are equipped so that's

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00:47:26,069 --> 00:47:24,800

that's where most of our focus is now we

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00:47:30,390 --> 00:47:26,079

we have

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00:47:32,549 --> 00:47:30,400

applications adsbn

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00:47:35,190 --> 00:47:32,559

with the faa work associated with that

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00:47:37,190 --> 00:47:35,200

we have three uh adsb in applications

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00:47:39,589 --> 00:47:37,200

that we're developing one is is an

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00:47:43,430 --> 00:47:39,599

oceanic application called entrail

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00:47:45,030 --> 00:47:43,440

procedures where two aircraft that are

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00:47:46,549 --> 00:47:45,040

have less than standard oceanic

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00:47:49,670 --> 00:47:46,559

separation but they're separated by

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00:47:51,109 --> 00:47:49,680

altitude one can climb through the other

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00:47:53,349 --> 00:47:51,119

if the

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00:47:56,230 --> 00:47:53,359

aircraft has the either the the

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00:47:58,470 --> 00:47:56,240

proceeding or the trailing aircraft uh

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00:48:00,150 --> 00:47:58,480

on their display in the cockpit and

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00:48:02,069 --> 00:48:00,160

through a set of procedures with air

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00:48:04,549 --> 00:48:02,079

traffic control we can actually give

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00:48:06,390 --> 00:48:04,559

them a climber descent instead of them

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00:48:08,710 --> 00:48:06,400

being stuck at that altitude in some

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00:48:11,670 --> 00:48:08,720

cases over the entire pacific ocean for

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00:48:15,190 --> 00:48:11,680

six eight ten hours at a time so that's

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00:48:17,990 --> 00:48:15,200

that is probably our most mature adsb in

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00:48:19,510 --> 00:48:18,000

application we are also pursuing

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00:48:22,549 --> 00:48:19,520

initially we were calling it

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00:48:25,109 --> 00:48:22,559

merging and spacing now we're we've used

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00:48:27,190 --> 00:48:25,119

the term interval management to describe

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00:48:28,069 --> 00:48:27,200

any adsbn application that has to do

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00:48:30,150 --> 00:48:28,079

with the

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00:48:33,190 --> 00:48:30,160

spacing function

1201  
00:48:35,109 --> 00:48:33,200  
so we're sponsoring that and we we also

1202  
00:48:37,750 --> 00:48:35,119  
are trying to mature and accelerate the

1203  
00:48:39,510 --> 00:48:37,760  
standards for a surface application

1204  
00:48:42,150 --> 00:48:39,520  
whereby the flight crew can get

1205  
00:48:43,670 --> 00:48:42,160  
indications and alerts when

1206  
00:48:45,109 --> 00:48:43,680  
when um

1207  
00:48:47,349 --> 00:48:45,119  
something slipped through the crack you

1208  
00:48:49,109 --> 00:48:47,359  
know this this is this is meant to

1209  
00:48:51,030 --> 00:48:49,119  
give a a a

1210  
00:48:53,349 --> 00:48:51,040  
to act as a safety net to prevent a

1211  
00:48:55,670 --> 00:48:53,359  
runway incursion or

1212  
00:48:57,430 --> 00:48:55,680  
a last ditched effort for the flight

1213  
00:48:59,750 --> 00:48:57,440

crew to see something and again this

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00:49:00,870 --> 00:48:59,760

would be an adsb in application in that

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00:49:02,470 --> 00:49:00,880

air traffic control will be doing

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00:49:04,630 --> 00:49:02,480

business as usual but something went

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00:49:08,150 --> 00:49:04,640

wrong and now the the flight crew

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00:49:10,309 --> 00:49:08,160

because of the the uplink of adsb uh

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00:49:12,950 --> 00:49:10,319

information their cockpit they can pick

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00:49:14,790 --> 00:49:12,960

up a situation unfolding and and

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00:49:16,630 --> 00:49:14,800

potentially uh avert something very

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00:49:18,870 --> 00:49:16,640

serious from happening

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00:49:20,470 --> 00:49:18,880

and if i can add from the nasa side

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00:49:23,030 --> 00:49:20,480

first of all all three of those

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00:49:25,670 --> 00:49:23,040

applications have been

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00:49:29,349 --> 00:49:25,680

have research going on at nasa

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00:49:30,950 --> 00:49:29,359

to develop them in addition

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00:49:31,910 --> 00:49:30,960

particularly the spacing one i know

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00:49:33,670 --> 00:49:31,920

about

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00:49:35,670 --> 00:49:33,680

bob and i are on a international

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00:49:37,910 --> 00:49:35,680

standards committee and this is one of

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00:49:40,309 --> 00:49:37,920

the ways where this type of information

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00:49:42,230 --> 00:49:40,319

nasa can get out to the community we're

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00:49:45,270 --> 00:49:42,240

working to help set

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00:49:47,270 --> 00:49:45,280

equipment standards where the airlines

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00:49:49,510 --> 00:49:47,280

or the avionics manufacturers i guess

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00:49:51,190 --> 00:49:49,520

can go and use that to develop

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00:49:52,790 --> 00:49:51,200

equipment that will conform to these

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00:49:54,790 --> 00:49:52,800

types of operations

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00:49:58,069 --> 00:49:54,800

so that's another good avenue where nasa

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00:49:59,910 --> 00:49:58,079

can get what we've been doing out to

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00:50:01,829 --> 00:49:59,920

industry to make use of

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00:50:03,750 --> 00:50:01,839

all right let's take another question

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00:50:05,750 --> 00:50:03,760

yeah i have a question there's there's

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00:50:07,910 --> 00:50:05,760

no doubt in my mind that the quality of

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00:50:11,349 --> 00:50:07,920

the situational awareness

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00:50:14,150 --> 00:50:11,359

is enriched by the different components

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00:50:16,710 --> 00:50:14,160

that you've added my question is that as

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00:50:18,950 --> 00:50:16,720

you add more components the likelihood

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00:50:21,829 --> 00:50:18,960

of getting conflicting

1251  
00:50:23,990 --> 00:50:21,839  
data might increase is there a protocol

1252  
00:50:26,390 --> 00:50:24,000  
for conflict resolution

1253  
00:50:27,589 --> 00:50:26,400  
if certain sets of data indicate

1254  
00:50:29,190 --> 00:50:27,599  
a certain

1255  
00:50:31,349 --> 00:50:29,200  
sort of pathway where there's another

1256  
00:50:33,190 --> 00:50:31,359  
set of data

1257  
00:50:35,349 --> 00:50:33,200  
or am i

1258  
00:50:37,030 --> 00:50:35,359  
not

1259  
00:50:38,790 --> 00:50:37,040  
sort of you you know as you add more

1260  
00:50:40,950 --> 00:50:38,800  
components there's going to be some

1261  
00:50:42,309 --> 00:50:40,960  
likelihood either due to faulty sensor

1262  
00:50:44,630 --> 00:50:42,319  
data or

1263  
00:50:46,950 --> 00:50:44,640

something or whether or whatever that

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00:50:48,390 --> 00:50:46,960

there is a sort of a conflict resolution

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00:50:49,510 --> 00:50:48,400

protocol

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00:50:50,309 --> 00:50:49,520

so that

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00:50:52,829 --> 00:50:50,319

one

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00:50:55,430 --> 00:50:52,839

thing trumps another in case there's a

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00:50:56,950 --> 00:50:55,440

conflict i i think there has been a fair

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00:50:58,710 --> 00:50:56,960

amount of work on that a couple people

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00:51:01,750 --> 00:50:58,720

in the room here are on on a committee

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00:51:03,910 --> 00:51:01,760

that worked on on conflict uh management

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00:51:05,750 --> 00:51:03,920

uh especially when we're we're in normal

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00:51:07,349 --> 00:51:05,760

operations and then something goes wrong

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00:51:09,589 --> 00:51:07,359

i think that is part of the whole

1276  
00:51:11,030 --> 00:51:09,599  
operational procedure development and

1277  
00:51:13,030 --> 00:51:11,040  
the certification and operational

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00:51:14,950 --> 00:51:13,040  
approval that hopefully when we've gone

1279  
00:51:17,750 --> 00:51:14,960  
through a lot of these committees and

1280  
00:51:18,950 --> 00:51:17,760  
and work and then actual trials and that

1281  
00:51:20,069 --> 00:51:18,960  
we end up

1282  
00:51:21,750 --> 00:51:20,079  
finding

1283  
00:51:23,430 --> 00:51:21,760  
most of those problems and hopefully

1284  
00:51:24,870 --> 00:51:23,440  
built it into the system

1285  
00:51:27,030 --> 00:51:24,880  
the other part of it is we're not taking

1286  
00:51:28,630 --> 00:51:27,040  
the controller out of the process so the

1287  
00:51:30,710 --> 00:51:28,640  
controller will be the one that will

1288  
00:51:32,549 --> 00:51:30,720

will be responsible for stepping in if

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00:51:34,549 --> 00:51:32,559

if the controller sees something wrong

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00:51:36,470 --> 00:51:34,559

or if something is not the way it should

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00:51:38,069 --> 00:51:36,480

be so so i think there are multiple

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00:51:39,670 --> 00:51:38,079

levels in the process

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00:51:41,270 --> 00:51:39,680

ultimately i think brian talked a little

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00:51:43,430 --> 00:51:41,280

bit about ultimately having aircraft

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00:51:44,790 --> 00:51:43,440

self-separate a little further out but i

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00:51:46,870 --> 00:51:44,800

think that we have to go through all of

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00:51:48,390 --> 00:51:46,880

these other processes discover all those

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00:51:51,109 --> 00:51:48,400

things that you talked about before we

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00:51:53,670 --> 00:51:51,119

can take that final step

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00:51:57,190 --> 00:51:53,680

there's another

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00:51:59,510 --> 00:51:57,200  
another area where excuse me

1302  
00:52:01,510 --> 00:51:59,520  
conflicting information is potentially

1303  
00:52:02,950 --> 00:52:01,520  
an issue and that is for the air traffic

1304  
00:52:04,710 --> 00:52:02,960  
controller

1305  
00:52:06,309 --> 00:52:04,720  
they have the

1306  
00:52:08,470 --> 00:52:06,319  
conventional radar data that they're

1307  
00:52:11,109 --> 00:52:08,480  
working with now the uh the fused radar

1308  
00:52:13,510 --> 00:52:11,119  
data and with adsb data coming in that's

1309  
00:52:15,430 --> 00:52:13,520  
much more accurate uh on the aircraft

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00:52:17,589 --> 00:52:15,440  
that are broadcasting adhd there's the

1311  
00:52:18,950 --> 00:52:17,599  
challenge of being able to

1312  
00:52:20,230 --> 00:52:18,960  
integrate the

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00:52:22,150 --> 00:52:20,240

adsb

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00:52:23,990 --> 00:52:22,160

data

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00:52:25,030 --> 00:52:24,000

state information about aircraft

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00:52:26,150 --> 00:52:25,040

position

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00:52:29,430 --> 00:52:26,160

with the

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00:52:33,349 --> 00:52:29,440

non-broadcasting aircraft that are just

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00:52:34,470 --> 00:52:33,359

being detected using the um the radar uh

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00:52:36,150 --> 00:52:34,480

information

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00:52:37,829 --> 00:52:36,160

so there's a there's an interesting

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00:52:39,910 --> 00:52:37,839

integration challenge there and i don't

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00:52:41,349 --> 00:52:39,920

know if you're

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00:52:45,109 --> 00:52:41,359

i know that when we've conducted

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00:52:47,589 --> 00:52:45,119

simulations for us it's been um

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00:52:50,150 --> 00:52:47,599

uh

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00:52:51,589 --> 00:52:50,160

interesting to try to um to figure out

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00:52:53,349 --> 00:52:51,599

how to represent the two different types

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00:52:54,790 --> 00:52:53,359

of information to the uh to the

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00:52:56,870 --> 00:52:54,800

controller so that they can work with

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00:52:58,470 --> 00:52:56,880

them effectively

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00:53:03,589 --> 00:52:58,480

we have another another question out of

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00:53:06,710 --> 00:53:04,710

hi

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00:53:09,030 --> 00:53:06,720

i'm karen and i work with nasa

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00:53:10,630 --> 00:53:09,040

aeronautics and because i do i happen to

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00:53:12,950 --> 00:53:10,640

know that some of our aeronautics

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00:53:15,510 --> 00:53:12,960

scholarship recipients are watching

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00:53:17,510 --> 00:53:15,520

today online through nasa tv and they're

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00:53:20,549 --> 00:53:17,520

going to be checking out the podcast

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00:53:23,829 --> 00:53:20,559

and i think adsb is it's such a huge

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00:53:26,230 --> 00:53:23,839

issue it's so complex it's an incredible

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00:53:27,750 --> 00:53:26,240

system and looking you know for each one

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00:53:30,710 --> 00:53:27,760

of you and in particular the nasa

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00:53:32,549 --> 00:53:30,720

researchers i suppose

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00:53:34,950 --> 00:53:32,559

seeing the video and seeing the people

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00:53:36,549 --> 00:53:34,960

who are working in the simulation center

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00:53:37,910 --> 00:53:36,559

i just wondered if each one of you maybe

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00:53:40,630 --> 00:53:37,920

could just briefly

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00:53:42,950 --> 00:53:40,640

express what kinds of skills

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00:53:44,710 --> 00:53:42,960

the researchers are employing when

1351  
00:53:46,870 --> 00:53:44,720  
they're doing this kind of work you know

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00:53:48,390 --> 00:53:46,880  
what kinds of people are working on

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00:53:51,270 --> 00:53:48,400  
these issues obviously from the time

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00:53:52,549 --> 00:53:51,280  
span that captain hill talked about

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00:53:54,230 --> 00:53:52,559  
this is an issue

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00:53:55,990 --> 00:53:54,240  
and it's not an issue that's going away

1357  
00:53:57,750 --> 00:53:56,000  
and it's going to be continued to be

1358  
00:53:59,750 --> 00:53:57,760  
tweaked and find solutions and then

1359  
00:54:02,150 --> 00:53:59,760  
tweak those solutions again

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00:54:03,430 --> 00:54:02,160  
in the years to come so

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00:54:04,950 --> 00:54:03,440  
what kinds of people are working on

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00:54:05,829 --> 00:54:04,960  
these issues and what talents are they

1363  
00:54:07,510 --> 00:54:05,839

using

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00:54:09,589 --> 00:54:07,520

thank you

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00:54:11,589 --> 00:54:09,599

i would say in general just about covers

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00:54:13,990 --> 00:54:11,599

the whole spectrum of

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00:54:15,030 --> 00:54:14,000

of aviation experience from having

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00:54:17,430 --> 00:54:15,040

people that are involved in the

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00:54:19,589 --> 00:54:17,440

operation that can put the problem down

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00:54:21,190 --> 00:54:19,599

and and then taking that to

1371

00:54:23,349 --> 00:54:21,200

actually developing solutions to that

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00:54:25,349 --> 00:54:23,359

problem so i think you're going to have

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plenty of aeronautical engineers plenty

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00:54:29,670 --> 00:54:27,280

of operational experience people

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00:54:32,069 --> 00:54:29,680

controllers pilots um

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00:54:34,549 --> 00:54:32,079

the whole broad spectrum of everyone

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00:54:36,470 --> 00:54:34,559

that has to be involved in the solution

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and and i think it's it's a wonderful

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opportunity for for people to to take a

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look but basically you have to have

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00:54:44,470 --> 00:54:42,960

obviously a fair amount of background in

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00:54:48,230 --> 00:54:44,480

aviation to

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00:54:51,430 --> 00:54:49,829

yeah i would say you know

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00:54:53,990 --> 00:54:51,440

both nancy and i have talked about a lot

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of this development going on in

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laboratories

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00:54:59,750 --> 00:54:57,040

most of that

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00:55:01,829 --> 00:54:59,760

is in simulation so it's all

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00:55:02,789 --> 00:55:01,839

computer-based so you know both of us

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00:55:05,190 --> 00:55:02,799

have

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00:55:06,789 --> 00:55:05,200

large teams at our centers that do

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00:55:09,510 --> 00:55:06,799

software development

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00:55:10,870 --> 00:55:09,520

so that's a a good avenue to get into

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00:55:14,470 --> 00:55:10,880

one of the interesting things i've

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00:55:16,230 --> 00:55:14,480

learned coming into this and um

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00:55:17,910 --> 00:55:16,240

not actually coming from an aeronautics

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00:55:21,109 --> 00:55:17,920

background

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00:55:23,190 --> 00:55:21,119

is that there really isn't any um

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00:55:25,190 --> 00:55:23,200

schooling set up for

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00:55:27,030 --> 00:55:25,200

working these types of problems so it's

1401  
00:55:28,549 --> 00:55:27,040  
actually is a nice

1402  
00:55:31,510 --> 00:55:28,559  
multi-disciplinary

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00:55:32,549 --> 00:55:31,520  
team that develops um but you

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00:55:34,789 --> 00:55:32,559  
basically

1405  
00:55:37,510 --> 00:55:34,799  
need to have the you know basic

1406  
00:55:39,430 --> 00:55:37,520  
engineering or scientific uh skills

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00:55:41,430 --> 00:55:39,440  
being able to you know logically work

1408  
00:55:43,589 --> 00:55:41,440  
through the problems set up you know

1409  
00:55:45,270 --> 00:55:43,599  
experiments to get at what you're trying

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00:55:55,030 --> 00:55:45,280  
to

1411  
00:55:56,950 --> 00:55:55,040  
picture in your mind

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00:55:58,069 --> 00:55:56,960  
is important and i would just add that

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00:56:01,270 --> 00:55:58,079

you know because we're dealing with air

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00:56:04,150 --> 00:56:01,280

traffic services safety is king and and

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00:56:05,990 --> 00:56:04,160

the the safety analysis is is quite

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complex and i think it takes a very

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00:56:11,270 --> 00:56:09,040

special skill set to to distill that

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00:56:14,549 --> 00:56:11,280

down to all the the things that have to

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00:56:16,950 --> 00:56:14,559

be considered in in developing standards

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00:56:19,349 --> 00:56:16,960

and and the requirements in order to

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00:56:21,349 --> 00:56:19,359

implement any system so i think that

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00:56:23,030 --> 00:56:21,359

requires a special skill set so if if

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00:56:24,549 --> 00:56:23,040

you're particularly adept at

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00:56:25,829 --> 00:56:24,559

knowing how to do that kind of safety

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00:56:26,950 --> 00:56:25,839

analyses i think that would be very

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00:56:28,789 --> 00:56:26,960

beneficial

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00:56:33,670 --> 00:56:28,799

all right we've got time for one more

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00:56:37,510 --> 00:56:35,030

i'll make it really quick then this is

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00:56:39,109 --> 00:56:37,520

probably for nancy uh the spacing model

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00:56:41,430 --> 00:56:39,119

that you showed and referred to i guess

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you didn't show be referred to it if i

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00:56:45,990 --> 00:56:43,680

pop up convective unstable convective

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00:56:47,829 --> 00:56:46,000

weather in that model i imagine from a

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00:56:50,549 --> 00:56:47,839

research standpoint that makes it much

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00:56:52,470 --> 00:56:50,559

more complex can you give us an idea of

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00:56:53,750 --> 00:56:52,480

like what that complexity is or hope

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00:56:55,750 --> 00:56:53,760

that

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research will lead to whether or not

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00:56:58,710 --> 00:56:57,599

having quite the drastic effect it has

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00:57:01,349 --> 00:56:58,720

now on

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00:57:02,230 --> 00:57:01,359

traffic delays

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00:57:04,390 --> 00:57:02,240

um

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00:57:07,109 --> 00:57:04,400

boy i'm not the first to take that

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00:57:09,190 --> 00:57:07,119

question but

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00:57:14,309 --> 00:57:09,200

i'm

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00:57:16,230 --> 00:57:14,319

we do the studies in our lab i could i

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00:57:18,309 --> 00:57:16,240

could uh

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00:57:19,829 --> 00:57:18,319

tell you that um

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00:57:21,589 --> 00:57:19,839

from my perspective one of the

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00:57:24,069 --> 00:57:21,599

challenges there would be

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00:57:27,190 --> 00:57:24,079

being able to uh effectively reroute

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00:57:29,510 --> 00:57:27,200

around that convective weather and to to

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00:57:31,990 --> 00:57:29,520

try to be able to maintain that that

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00:57:35,270 --> 00:57:32,000

stream of aircraft who are self-spacing

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00:57:37,109 --> 00:57:35,280

now i think and and i can visualize how

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00:57:38,470 --> 00:57:37,119

the controller tools could be could be

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00:57:39,750 --> 00:57:38,480

used to do that

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um

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00:57:43,109 --> 00:57:41,280

i

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00:57:46,150 --> 00:57:43,119

know less about

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00:57:47,670 --> 00:57:46,160

how it would work from the flight deck

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00:57:49,349 --> 00:57:47,680

perspective though and and you may have

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00:57:50,630 --> 00:57:49,359

given this some thought

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00:57:52,150 --> 00:57:50,640

i think there's a whole lot of work

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00:57:54,549 --> 00:57:52,160

going in that area

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00:57:56,470 --> 00:57:54,559

our ultimate goal is as nancy said is to

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00:57:58,630 --> 00:57:56,480

to re-rerout ourselves around any

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00:58:00,230 --> 00:57:58,640

thunderstorms that are there uh the

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00:58:01,589 --> 00:58:00,240

obvious problem if there's thunderstorms

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00:58:03,109 --> 00:58:01,599

or snow storms on an airport you're

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00:58:04,870 --> 00:58:03,119

going to affect that airport but there's

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00:58:06,549 --> 00:58:04,880

plenty of airspace out there so if you

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00:58:08,150 --> 00:58:06,559

put together all the technologies that

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00:58:09,829 --> 00:58:08,160

are working being worked on the

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00:58:11,829 --> 00:58:09,839

navigation communication and

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00:58:12,950 --> 00:58:11,839

surveillance and the ground tools to

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00:58:15,430 --> 00:58:12,960

support that

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00:58:18,309 --> 00:58:15,440

you can basically dynamically reroute

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00:58:19,910 --> 00:58:18,319

the aircraft using datalink and and and

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00:58:21,510 --> 00:58:19,920

still have the aircraft be able to space

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00:58:22,870 --> 00:58:21,520

off of each other as long as they all

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00:58:25,349 --> 00:58:22,880

have the information about what the

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other aircraft is doing so so i i think

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00:58:29,510 --> 00:58:27,280

it's that integration has to occur and i

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00:58:31,030 --> 00:58:29,520

i would personally like to see more work

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00:58:33,190 --> 00:58:31,040

done in integration of all these

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technologies and that implementation of

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00:58:37,190 --> 00:58:34,880

that yeah and i guess one thing that i

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could say to that too is that we're

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00:58:41,430 --> 00:58:38,960

one of the the other simulations we're

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working on now in our lab looks at how

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00:58:46,789 --> 00:58:44,000

you could actually uh reroute a a

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cluster of aircraft

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00:58:50,710 --> 00:58:47,760

on

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00:58:54,150 --> 00:58:50,720

the same modified trajectory so if you

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00:58:56,870 --> 00:58:54,160

had the information about where the um

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00:58:58,950 --> 00:58:56,880

where the the clear path was you could

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conceivably reroute all of those planes

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00:59:02,950 --> 00:59:00,319

and they could maintain their cell

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00:59:04,950 --> 00:59:02,960

spacing status on that on that new

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00:59:06,230 --> 00:59:04,960

modified routing

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00:59:07,990 --> 00:59:06,240

all right that's going to have to be our

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00:59:10,470 --> 00:59:08,000

last question we've had a really great

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00:59:12,710 --> 00:59:10,480

discussion today but we're out of time

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00:59:14,950 --> 00:59:12,720

on behalf of associate administrator

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00:59:17,990 --> 00:59:14,960

jaywan shin and nasa thanks to our

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00:59:20,870 --> 00:59:18,000

guests robert novia of the faa bob hilb

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00:59:23,270 --> 00:59:20,880

of ups and our two nasa researchers

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nancy smith and brian barmore you can

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learn more about automatic dependent

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surveillance broadcast or adsb and

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nasa's

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research on airborne precisions facing

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by visiting nasa's website we've

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provided copies of the charts and videos

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used in today's discussion and several

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technical papers that are detailing this

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research and this is a very long url

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we'll show it to you in a minute but if

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00:59:54,870 --> 00:59:52,870

and look for the leading edge icon click

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on that and you'll be able to find all

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of this information and we do invite

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members of our audience to sign up for

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our email notices the sign up sheet is

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on the table just outside in the hallway

