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## **MITSS Omni-Directional Antenna Analysis**

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- Goal: Assess effect of omnidirectional TCAS antenna on spectrum environment and ownship Mode S and Mode C surveillance range
- MIT Surveillance Simulation (MITSS) — Used to inform DO-300A hybrid surveillance requirements
- Change equipage of existing aircraft in track data to Omni antennas







 Input file: Radar tracks centered at JFK from Sunday, November 29, 2009 between 17:00 and 18:00 EST because it was identified as worst case traffic density

Equipage

- Tracks taken from RADES and TRAMS and combined
- Additional on ground aircraft added















 Metrics are averaged over all TCAS equipped aircraft less than 30nm from JFK sensor

# • Transponder Utilization

- Percentage of time transponder is in use
- Affected by the following
  - Sent long and short replies
  - Received Whisper Shout interrogations that cause suppression
  - Received Mode S interrogations that require a reply
  - Received Mode S interrogations that cause suppression
- TCAS receiver occupancy
  - Percentage of time receiver is in use
  - Affected by the following
    - Sent and heard long and short replies (1090)
- Reliable Surveillance Range (nmi)



### Results: Comparison between Active only, Hybrid, and extended Hybrid Surveillance



- Goal: assess the effect of running only active surveillance against hybrid surveillance, and extended hybrid surveillance when equipped with a top and a bottom omni antenna
- No significant change in Reliable Surveillance Range







- Goal: assess the effect of different percentages of aircraft equipping with omnidirectional antenna using only <u>active surveillance</u>
- %O is the percentage of all the aircraft assigned Top omni antenna and Bottom omni antenna
- %D is the percentage of all the aircraft assigned Top directional antenna and Bottom omni antenna







- Goal: assess the effect of different percentages of aircraft equipping with omnidirectional antenna while utilizing <u>extended Hybrid Surveillance</u>.
- No significant change in Reliable Surveillance Range







- Blue bars represent the runs with extended hybrid surveillance enabled
- Red Bars represent data using only active surveillance
- No significant change in Reliable Surveillance Range
- Omni antennas running extended hybrid surveillance is roughly equivalent to Directional antennas running just active surveillance in terms of transponder utilization







- Goal: assess omni-antenna performance in less dense airspace environments using <u>active surveillance</u>
- All aircraft have a Top Omni antenna and a Bottom Omni antenna
- A random selection of aircraft were removed from the JFK airspace.
  - E.g., 25% means 75% of the aircraft have been removed



#### 1090 TCAS receiver occupancy











- Goal: assess omni-antenna performance in more dense airspace environments using <u>active surveillance</u>
- All aircraft have a Top Omni antenna and a Bottom Omni antenna
- A random selection of aircraft were added to the JFK airspace.
  - E.g., 100% means twice the number of aircraft in the original JFK dataset are simulated
- Reliable Surveillance range remained around 5.9nmi for all cases
  - Likely due to already being maximally limited



### 1090 TCAS Receiver Occupancy









- New degarbling methods
- New Whisper Shout sequences
- Reduce update rate