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Flight history based on autopilot and MFD log data

The following table summarizes flights of the accident airplane recorded by the Avidyne DFC90 autopilot and EX5000 multi-function display. The purpose of this analysis is to catalog basic information about flights conducted over the full time span represented by the logs. (The PFD logs were separately examined but do not cover as great a time span as either the autopilot or MFD logs, so no PFD data are presented here.)

The autopilot records three separate data files: a high-resolution file with high-rate, detailed information relating to flight status and autopilot performance; an intermediate-resolution file with similar, but less, information recorded at a lesser rate over a longer time span; and a low-resolution file that includes only GPS time and location sampled at 80 second intervals. Because this analysis is intended to cover the greatest possible time span, only the low-resolution data file was considered.

The MFD records GPS location and a variety of engine performance parameters (manifold pressure, RPM, oil temperature, oil pressure, individual cylinder CHT and EGT, etc.) sampled at six second intervals. Each record is identified by the UTC date and time at which it was recorded, based on the MFD's own clock. This clock is periodically corrected to GPS time but may, due to sampling errors and drift, be inexact.

Both the autopilot and MFD have limited storage capacity for logs and overwrite the oldest data when that capacity is reached. The exact duration of each set of logs is unpredictable due to variations in log content associated with specific in-flight events.

The autopilot was found to contain data from 2/8/18 until the accident. The MFD was found to contain data from 3/12/18 until the accident. The autopilot's low-resolution data file was found to contain all of the power cycles recorded by the MFD. Since the MFD data were previously analyzed, the table that follows includes additional data from the autopilot for those flights not covered by the MFD.

The following notes apply:

- 1. All date/time pairs are UTC.
- 2. For autopilot data, start and end times are the first and last recorded times received from the GPS.
- 3. For MFD data, start and end times are "MFD time", which may differ from GPS time or PFD time. Start and end times reflect MFD runtime, not flight time.
- 4. A location in Bonner Springs KS is sometimes recorded before the GPS achieves a lock. This is a known characteristic of Garmin GPS systems and has been ignored in this analysis.
- 5. A track file for import into Google Earth (.kml) was generated in certain cases using www.gpsvisualizer.com in order to determine or confirm the path of flight. This was done to permit identification of training flights or other "local" flights, as opposed to what would appear to be discontinued cross-country flights.
- 6. In the original analysis of this flight, one specific log file ended prior to the airplane's arrival. As a result, the destination could not be determined with certainty. In this analysis, we have used autopilot data to confirm the destination.
- 7. Because of the low sampling rate of the MFD (6 sec) and slow write performance of the operating system, it is considered normal for MFD logs to lose the end of an accident sequence.

Airport identifiers include the following:

E80	Alexander Municipal Airport, Belen NM
KDNA	Doña Ana County International Jetport, Santa Teresa NM
KHOB	Lea County Regional Airport, Hobbs NM
KHSD	Sundance Airport, Oklahoma City OK
KMAF	Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland TX
KMDD	Midland Airpark, Midland TX
KPEQ	Pecos Municipal Airport, Pecos TX

KSRE Seminole Municipal Airport, Seminole OK
KSRR Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, Ruidoso NM
KWWR West Woodward Airport, Woodward OK

Source	Date	Start	End	Duration	Starting location		Ending location		Comments
		time	time		Lat/long	Ident	Lat/long	Ident	
AP	2/8/18	21:39:00	23:25:42	1:46:42	31.94069	KMAF	31.87803	KDNA	
				_	-102.211		-106.696		
AP	2/11/18	21:30:48	21:41:30	0:10:42	31.87855	KDNA	31.87803	KDNA	No flight
					-106.707		-106.696		
AP	2/11/18	21:45:54	23:17:54	1:32:00	31.88404	KDNA	31.94361	KMAF	
					-106.718		-102.21		
AP	2/14/18	13:09:12	15:54:36	2:45:24	31.94069	KMAF	36.47135	KWWR	
					-102.211		-99.5195		
AP	2/14/18	16:15:48	17:01:06	0:45:18	36.43393	KWWR	35.62197	KHSD	
	2// /// 2				-99.5186	10105	-97.7064		
AP	2/14/18	22:20:36	0:40:36	2:20:00	35.60257	KHSD	31.94292	KMAF	
4.0	0/45/40	47.07.00	40.40.04	4 40 04	-97.7072	1/1/4/15	-102.21	LADATA	
AP	2/15/18	17:27:00	19:16:24	1:49:24	31.94103	KMAF	31.87546	KDNA	
	0/40/40	45.07.54	40.20.00	2.00.00	-102.211	IZDNIA	-106.689	KLICD	
AP	2/19/18	15:37:54	18:38:00	3:00:06	31.87855	KDNA	35.6036 -97.7067	KHSD	
AP	2/20/18	22:57:12	23:02:36	0:05:24	-106.707 35.59948	KHSD	35.59811	KHSD	No flight
AF	2/20/10	22.37.12	23.02.30	0.05.24	-97.7072	KHOD	-97.7066	KHOD	No nigrit
AP	2/20/18	23:06:54	1:06:54	2:00:00	35.59501	KHSD	31.9431	KMAF	
	2/20/10	25.00.54	1.00.54	2.00.00	-97.7064	KIIOD	-102.208	IXIVIZAI	
AP	2/22/18	21:52:06	23:48:06	1:56:00	31.94069	KMAF	31.87786	KDNA	
7.0	2/22/10	21.02.00	20.40.00	1.00.00	-102.211	TXIVI/ (I	-106.698	INDIV/	
AP	2/25/18	17:30:24	18:58:24	1:28:00	31.8782	KDNA	31.9431	KMAF	
1	2,20,10			0.00	-106.707		-102.208		
AP	2/26/18	19:58:42	22:13:24	2:14:42	31.94069	KMAF	35.27573	KSRE	
					-102.211		-96.6749		
AP	2/28/18	18:24:24	20:52:30	2:28:06	35.2747	KSRE	31.94275	KMAF	
					-96.6739		-102.207		
AP	3/1/18	21:05:42	22:40:24	1:34:42	31.94069	KMAF	31.87958	KDNA	
					-102.211		-106.704		
AP	3/5/18	18:38:24	20:14:24	1:36:00	31.87855	KDNA	31.94189	KMAF	
	- 1- 1				-106.707		-102.206		
AP	3/8/18	12:43:42	14:50:24	2:06:42	31.94069	KMAF	35.6012	KHSD	
	0/0/40	00.50.40	0.00.40	0.04.00	-102.211	KUOD	-97.7066	LADATA	
AP	3/8/18	20:59:18	0:23:18	3:24:00	35.6012	KHSD	31.87271	KDNA	
MFD	2/12/10	17,06,26	10.01.40	1.15.06	-97.7069	KDNIA	-106.68	KCDD	
MFD	3/12/18	17:06:36	18:21:42	1:15:06	31.8785 -106.7071	KDNA	33.4652 -105.5381	KSRR	
MFD	3/12/18	21:08:00	22:30:48	1:22:48	33.4652	KSRR	31.9407	KMAF	
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MFD	3/16/18	14:32:36	17:07:30	2:34:54	35.2718	KSRE	31.9407	KMAF	
					-96.6721		-102.2110		
MFD	3/16/18	20:50:54	20:55:48	0:04:54	31.9410	KMAF	31.9412	KMAF	No flight
					-102.2123		-102.2120		
MFD	3/16/18	21:45:44	21:49:36	0:03:52	31.9412	KMAF	31.9409	KMAF	No flight
					-102.2120		-102.2113		
MFD	3/17/18	13:10:16	14:57:36	1:47:20	31.9407	KMAF	31.8780	KDNA	
					-102.2111		-106.7049		
MFD	3/19/18	16:34:22	18:00:24	1:26:02	31.8784	KDNA	34.6462	E80	
	0/40/40	00:54.50	00:05.00	4.40:40	-106.7071	Foo	-106.8302	I/DA ' A	
MFD	3/19/18	22:51:53	00:05:36	1:13:43	34.6468	E80	31.8784	KDNA	
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MFD	3/22/18	20:42:41	22:31:48	1:49:07	31.9407 -102.2113	KMAF	31.8784 -106.7071	KDNA	
MFD	3/26/18	19:30:43	21:07:48	1:37:05	31.8784 -106.7071	KDNA	31.9407 -102.2111	KMAF	
MFD	3/29/18	19:41:54	21:37:18	1:55:24	31.9407 -102.2113	KMAF	31.8784 -106.7069	KDNA	
MFD	4/1/18	20:13:05	21:40:54	1:27:49	31.8784 -106.7071	KDNA	31.9415 -102.2111	KMAF	
MFD	4/4/18	21:34:53	23:45:24	2:10:31	31.9403 -102.2089	KMAF	35.2716 -96.6720	KSRE	
MFD	4/8/18	21:52:08	00:07:42	2:15:34	35.2723 -96.6725	KSRE	31.9402 -102.2089	KMAF	
MFD	4/10/18	21:09:34	22:57:36	1:48:02	31.9402 -102.2089	KMAF	31.8784 -106.7069	KDNA	
MFD	4/15/18	20:52:03	22:00:54	1:08:51	31.8785 -106.7069	KDNA	33.4642 -105.5388	KSRR	
MFD	4/18/18	12:51:33	14:14:24	1:22:51	33.4642 -105.5388	KSRR	31.9410 -102.2086	KMAF	
AP	4/22/18	19:58:12	21:02:12	1:04:00	31.94035 -102.209	KMAF	32.69137 -103.218	KHOB	Note 6
MFD	4/24/18	15:21:46	15:24:42	0:02:56					No flight No GPS lock
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MFD	4/26/18	16:34:57	17:40:30	1:05:33	33.4642 -105.5388	KSRR	31.8782 -106.7069	KDNA	
MFD	4/26/18	17:55:00	18:59:24	1:04:24	31.8782 -106.7069	KDNA	33.4647 -105.5379	KSRR	
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MFD		11:49:39	13:22:30		31.9403,- 102.2089		31.9402 -102.2089		Aircraft flew approximately 105 nm NW (to vicinity of Loco Hills NM) then reversed course and returned to KMAF. Note 5
MFD	5/3/18	11:43:31	13:16:30	1:32:59	31.9403 -102.2089	KMAF	33.4642 -105.5378	KSRR	
MFD	5/7/18	15:29:57	16:47:42	1:17:45	33.4652 -105.5388	KSRR	31.9407 -102.2086	KMAF	
MFD	5/7/18	23:47:12	01:07:06	1:19:54	31.9403 -102.2089	KMAF	33.4642 -105.5390	KSRR	
MFD	5/8/18	22:11:20	23:32:06	1:20:46	33.4654 -105.5390	KSRR	31.9421 -102.2058	KMAF	
MFD	5/8/18	23:45:41	01:10:30	1:24:49	31.9402 -102.2070	KMAF	33.4645 -105.5388	KSRR	
MFD	5/9/18	21:21:16	22:43:06	1:21:50	33.4650 -105.5390	KSRR	31.9402 -102.2087	KMAF	
MFD	5/10/18	14:27:27	15:19:54	0:52:27	31.9403 -102.2089	KMAF	31.3898 -103.5113	KPEQ	
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MFD	5/11/18	19:21:27	19:26:18	0:04:51	31.9412 -102.2120	KMAF	31.9412 -102.2120	KMAF	No flight

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		time	time		Lat/long	ldent	Lat/long	ldent	
MFD	5/11/18	20:41:09	20:44:06	0:02:57	31.9412	KMAF	31.9412	KMAF	No flight
					-102.2120		-102.2120		
MFD	5/12/18	10:33:21	12:07:12	1:33:51	31.9403	KMAF	33.4644	KSRR	
					-102.2089		-105.5378		
MFD	5/13/18	14:22:52	15:41:36	1:18:44	33.4652	KSRR	31.9410	KMAF	
	=//-//-				-105.5388		-102.2084		
MFD	5/13/18	19:20:35	19:55:54	0:35:19	31.9403	KMAF	31.9412	KMAF	Aircraft flew approximately
					-102.2089		-102.2084		26 nm ESE then reversed course and returned to
									KMAF.
									Note 5
MFD	5/17/18	00:34:46	01:58:36	1:23:50	31.9403	KMAF	33.4640	KSRR	14010 0
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MFD	5/20/18	21:32:37	22:54:36	1:21:59	33.4652	KSRR	31.9409	KMAF	
					-105.5388		-102.2089		
MFD	5/21/18	16:40:03	17:28:24	0:48:21	31.9403	KMAF	31.3897	KPEQ	
					-102.2089		-103.5120		
MFD	5/21/18	18:45:53	19:28:18	0:42:25	31.3897	KPEQ	32.0337	KMDD	
					-103.5113		-102.0989		
MFD	5/21/18	22:38:12	22:53:18	0:15:06	32.0329	KMDD	31.9414	KMAF	
					-102.0978		-102.2084		
MFD	5/22/18	00:49:41	01:56:12	1:06:31	31.9403	KMAF	31.9403	KMAF	Aircraft flew approximately
					-102.2089		-102.2089		73 nm NW (NW of Eunice
									NM) then reversed course and returned to KMAF
									Note 5
MFD	5/22/18	11:07:12	13:06:24	1:59:12	31.9403	KMAF	21.9403	KMAF	Aircraft flew approximately
IVII D	3/22/10	11.07.12	13.00.24	1.00.12	-102.2089	IXIVIAI	-102.2089	IXIVIAI	141 nm NW (to vicinity of
					102.2000		102.2000		Artesia NM) then reversed
									course and returned to
									KMAF.
									Note 5
MFD	5/23/18	01:01:39	02:20:24	1:18:45	31.9403	KMAF	33.4649	KSRR	
					-102.2089		-105.5395		
MFD	5/28/18	22:50:55	00:08:54	1:17:59	33.4654	KSRR	31.9410	KMAF	
					-105.5390		-102.2089		
MFD	6/1/18	00:02:44	00:19:48	0:17:04	31.9403	KMAF	31.9452	KMAF	Accident flight
MED	0/0/40				-102.2089		-102.2092		Note 7
MFD	6/8/18								On bench during data
		<u> </u>					I		recovery





