

Automation in Flight - Using Your Autopilot

Automation - VNAV and Approach. The new generation of digital autopilots and navigators opens new options for vertical navigation and maneuvering for both visual and instrument approaches. This seminar discusses autopilot operation and limitations in this new environment.

Discussion will include:

- Recommended operations
- Use of automation/autopilot
- Vertical Navigation
- Approach techniques with modern avionics

Event Details

Tue, Feb 17, 2026 at 19:00 PST

Hangar 21

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