This course will help the technician in reading and understanding Avionics Drawings.
This course will give several types of general avionics drawing to learn from.
**Introduction**

- Aircraft are built and wired per drawings and blueprints.
- There are several types of drawings used in the manufacturing and working on an aircraft.
- It is the goal of this lesson to familiarize you, the technician, with these drawings and enable you to utilize the drawings to safely complete tasks without error in the minimum time.
SAFETY

• Working on aircraft is inherently dangerous. It is your responsibility as the technician to look out for your own safety and of those around you.

• MOVING AIRCRAFT HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY. Whether they are being towed or are taxiing under their own power.

• BEWARE OF AIRCRAFT WITH OPERATING ENGINES. Noise associated with operating aircraft will damage hearing. Use hearing protection provided when working near running engines.
SAFETY

• STAY CLEAR OF INTAKE AND EXHAUST AREAS. Engines operating at high power levels can pick up objects and ingest them. Ingested objects will be expelled at high velocity and are dangerous.

• FOD Short for Foreign Object Debris. Any object that can be picked up and ingested by a jet engine or does not belong in the aircraft is considered to be FOD. A washer worth a nickel can destroy an engine worth millions of dollars.
ELECTRICAL SAFETY

• DO NOT WEAR RINGS OR LOOSE JEWELRY WHILE WORKING ON ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. All metals conduct to some degree and precious metals especially well. Remove jewelry before working.

• ALWAYS ASSUME A CIRCUIT IS ENERGIZED UNTIL YOU PERSONALLY VERIFY OTHERWISE. Inform others working on the aircraft what you will be working on & where. Use lockouts where available.
THE PURPOSE OF ELECTRICAL DRAWINGS

• The purpose of Electrical Drawings is to provide a graphic means by which instructions may be given so items may be consistently installed or repaired.
• They also aid in troubleshooting are usually Schematics.
• location of aircraft electrical systems.
• Wire size and part number of wire
• Pin location and part numbers connectors for pinning out.
TYPES OF ELECTRICAL DRAWINGS

How the drawing is formatted and drawn is depending on the company that drafted them. **ATA 100** is the general guidelines for drawings most engineering uses. This course is based on ATA 100
AVIONICS AND ELECTRICAL DOCUMENTS

The following documents will be found with the aircraft and are specific to that individual aircraft.

Avionics book- Contains the General Notes, Index, used to document specific operations by departments.

• Inspection log – Show when the “A- B – 4a“ ex. were done and any STC’s

• The “removal book”. This log records every part removed from or installed in the aircraft at a given facility.

• Avionics prints.
MASTER DRAWING LIST

- Wiring diagrams are found in the Aircraft Log Books.
- These are schematic diagrams which include all the information required to locate, trouble shoot and maintain wiring harnesses.
- This book contains the Index, General Notes, and a complete listing of the diagrams within.
- The diagrams in this book are the "Masters".
• These are the drawings that show, in detail, how the various components installed and how they are connected to each other.
• In addition, other vital information can be found on these drawings including:
  • Wire size
  • Connectors
  • Hardware
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There are several controlling documents that determine what practices and procedures are followed in the repair and completion of aircraft and they are:

- Your Companies Engineering specifications
- Service Bulletins and Approved Modifications
- FAA AC 43.13-1B Acceptable Methods, Techniques, and Practices. Aircraft Inspection and Repair
• Your Companies Procedures for Wiring guide lines.
• FAR 27.1351 as an example for electrical systems.
THE PARTS LIST:
• Contains item designator number: the triangle is a flag note-the number in the triangle is 5 it shows the : part numbers for that item
• And can give - Descriptions
• And - Manufacturer
• Physical location in the aircraft
• Drawing number item is related to
• Any Mil-Spec the wiring must meet – ie. Mil-C-22500D
THE PARTS LIST:
This is another example of a parts list:
• Contains item 4 designator the number shows the part numbers for that item
• And can give - Descriptions - Antenna
• And – Manufacturer - Uniroyal
• Physical location in the aircraft
• Drawing number item is related to
• Any Mil-Spec the wiring must meet – ie. Mil-C-22500D
WIRING DIAGRAMS

The following sections will help you better understand what lines and symbols that are used on avionics drawings.
WHAT WILL THE DRAWING SHOW

• System
• Component Location
• Component name and or ATA code
• Type of component the drawing applies to.
• Which individual aircraft the drawing applies to.
• Type of wire to be used
• Hardware
• Wire gauge
• Related drawings
• The drawing will also shows the changes or revisions to the drawing
TYPICAL AIRCRAFT CONFIGURATION

• All wiring diagrams typically represent the aircraft in the following configuration:
  This might not hold true for your facility.
• Aircraft on the ground resting on the landing gear.
• Engines shut down.
• Flaps and slats retracted.
• Doors and access panels open.
• Parking brake handle at intermediate detent.
• Electrical power NOT applied.
• All switches set to NORMAL or OFF.
• All circuit breakers pushed in.
ATA CODES

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In the first blueprint number what does the “23” stand for
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The lines and Symbols
**PRINT IDENTIFIER**

Is typically located on the bottom left side of the drawing above the drawing number. 333-0200 Cabin Floor Heaters is one example.
SYSTEM IDENTIFIER

- This is another style of Print identifier is located on the bottom left side of the drawing above the drawing number.
- The ATA System is 23 - sub system 32
- ATA 23 is Communication
EQUIPMENT IDENTIFICATION

- 785J/P AUX GALLEY CUT-OFF CONNECTOR
- 642P BASIC/OPTION CUT-OFF CONNECTOR
- 800RL CD CHANGER
- 799RL CD CHANGER CONTROL HEAD
- 725RL ENTERTAINMENT CONTROL PANEL
- 715RL ENTERTAINMENT CONTROL PANEL
- 712RL PUBLIC ADDRESS AMPLIFIER
- 600JT CABIN POWER SUPPLY BOX
- 854JE COMPONENT PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD
- 852JE COMPONENT PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD
- 28FV COPILOT ANNUNCIATOR PANEL

ENTERTAINMENT
AUDIO

On some drawings Equipment identification is found just above the component. The number on the left will be found on the component 712RL Public Address Amplifier so any item on the drawings that has 712RL is the Public Address Amplifier.
EQUIPMENT IDENTIFICATION

- On some drawings, equipment identification is found just above the component. The name is written in as the example above **Galley Switch Panel**.
ITEM DESIGNATOR

The number just above the component is the ID number for that item > 712RL
Component location is found to the right of the component name & designation.

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**SYSTEM**

**ENTERTAINMENT AUDIO**

**ATA**

23-32-01
SYMBOLS

• The following slides will be on symbols that will be found on the wiring diagrams and schematics.
WIRE NUMBER

- Identification number on wire & cable is a number that corresponds to the drawing number.
- The first five digits match the drawing. The last three digits are the number assigned to the wire. The suffix can be wire type or gauge size.
- The bottom picture shows the wire number as PL500020. The last 2 digits are the wire size, i.e., 20 AWG.
- Most wire and coax numbers that are being installed in modern aircrafts are an _8_ digit part number.
WIRE NUMBER

- There are several ways in which wire size is indicated on the drawing.
- A note such as the one below can sometimes be found at the bottom center of the wiring diagrams.
- In addition, individual wires on a drawing can be identified to vary from the note.
- The bottom picture shows a 22 gauge wire, the top picture shows a 20 gauge wire.
This symbol indicates that this wire is a “basic wire” meaning it is basic to the aircraft.
- **Top Picture** - **Shielded Wire** can be single conductor, twisted pair, or twisted 3 conductor. Solid line with dashes below.
- **Shielded Wire High Temperature** wire is used in areas where high temperatures are expected to exist, such as engine wiring. Designated on drawings with the suffix **HT**.
- **Bottom Picture** – Normal wire – solid black line.
SHIELDED CABLES
The color of the wire covering color will be R = Red and B = Blue and Y = Yellow

• **Is there any advantage to using twisted pair wires?**
There is definitely an advantage.
• Physicists figured out long ago that a wire with a current flowing through it created a magnetic field.
• They also figured out that a magnetic field can induce current to flow in a wire that passes through that magnetic field. By twisting your power and ground leads together, for example, the current flows in opposite directions and the wires cross orthogonally, lessening the effect of the magnetic fields.
• This is why you often see twisted pairs used in RS-232 or RS-422 digital circuits -- they are very sensitive, and need to have the least amount of noise possible.
COAXIAL CABLE

Double Shielded

- Coax is identified by suffix after the wire number.
- Compare the suffix to the General Notes or part number on coax in the Index for the correct part number.
**SHIELD JUMPER**

Used to jump –(connect) from one wire to the next – part number will vary depending on wire size
SHIELDED SPLICE

Shielded twisted pair spliced to four shielded twisted pairs through a connector. Note shield jumpers.
MODULE CONNECTOR
Module connector is in aircraft.
JUNCTION BLOCK
Also known as a J block. Split blocks use number designators, whole blocks use lower case letters.
Used for Grounding
J-BLOCK
This is the symbol for the junction block shown on the previous slide.
Audio
Top picture – Headphone jack & Left bottom picture - microphone jack and Right Bottom picture - Speaker
Relay
Takes power or a ground to operate
JIFFY JUNCTION

Type of a connector
This is what they look like installed in the aircraft. They serve as a joint/connection for connecting two wires together.
CONNECTORS

- The Right picture is what they look like in the Aircraft.
- The left picture is what they look like on the drawing.
- They could be circular or box shaped connectors.
- The equipment Emergency Light Power Supply has ABERDCDEHJ EX are the letters located on the front of the connector, the wire is stripped, a Pin is crimped on and inserted into the hole on the back of the connector.
- Connectors serve as a joint/connection for connecting power/control to electrical equipment such as, Power Supplies, Valves, Servos, Electrical Motors, Heads up display, Avionics equipment ex.
- A rear release connector has Blue color band around it.
This is what they look like on the drawing.
They could be circular or box shaped connectors.
782 has DEF and ABC are the letters located on the front of the connector if it's a circular connector, the wire is stripped, a Pin is crimped on and inserted into the hole on the back of the connector.
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This is another example of what they look like on the drawing. They could be circular or box shaped connectors. This connector has the letters NPALHXYZUVW these letters located on the front of the connector, the wire is stripped, a Pin is crimped on and inserted into the hole on the back of the connector.

- The figure eight symbol shown is a jumper wire
- The wire number at the top going down the pictures is 2RV162E22 the wire size is 22 AWG the last 2 digits.
- The number 3 shown in the triangle is a General note/or Flag note, this will tell you something specific about these 2 wires shown.
IN LINE DIODE

C is cathode, A is anode. Current flows against the arrow.
INLINE DIODE
As installed in the aircraft
Ground, earth or metal frame
Chassis or common return
connected to one side of voltage source

GROUND

Positive goes to a ground
• Inside the green circles are ground symbols
• Positive goes to a ground
• This is the main reason Electrical bonding is so critical to be done correctly.
• PNP is Power Positive Power; it takes a positive charge to open. They are just tiny switches.
• NPN is Negative Power Negative; it takes a negative charge to open.
• These are located inside the components; all you can do is find the bad component and replace the box. FAA does not allow an unauthorized personal to open the equipment up.
SWITCHES
• The wire size is 22 going into the switch.
• The switch is shown in the Gen 1 position, this is multi position switch. Gen1 on Or APU on Or Battery on.
• The number on the back of the switch are pin numbers for connecting the wires to the switch.
SWITCHES

• The Top switch is on/off.
• The second switch is push on/push off.
• The third switch (bottom of picture) is a multi position - Gen 1 position, this is multi position switch. Gen1 on Or APU on Or Battery on.
ELECTRICAL BUSSES

• Shown is a typical Battery buss
• Two wire at the top goes out to circuit breakers
• The three wires at the bottom of the picture goes out to circuit breakers
• All the wiring will go out to power equipment thru switches, breakers.
ELECTRICAL BUSSES

- Shown is a simple Battery buss
- The part number is GD300A wire size is 20 gauge AWG circuit breakers
- The wires in the picture goes out to circuit breaker marked (3)
- The circuit breaker part number is 7274 -11 (3) Manufacture is Kliron
- The wiggly line is a continued on the next page or page 2 ex.
FEED THRU
Feed thru’s are where the wiring passes through the pressure bulkhead. FT = FeedThru
FEED THRU
Actual installation on production A/C
CONTINUED ON

This line means part is cut off and continued on another drawing. SD (see drawing) XX-XX-XX (XX represents drawing number.)
This wavy line means part is cut off and continued on another drawing. If this is on page 1 the part is continued on page 2 or SD (see drawing) XXXXXX (XX represents drawing number.)
CONTINUED ON DRAWING 23-15-46 or xxxxxxxx drawing
BROKEN LINE
Indicates print is continued on another drawing.
SD = see drawing
STICK DRAWINGS

- Usually hand drawn used for wire harness building only
- Stick drawings are used in the manufacture of the wiring harness.
- They indicate connector type, component location, component ID, distance between breakouts, type of covering (if any), and related prints.
This takes you to the next drawing to continue. XXXXXX represents drawing number.

Found on stick drawing, this symbol indicates that the bundle branches here and is continued on another drawing.
SPLICE GOING TO ANOTHER DRAWING

SD 25-01-11
90-DEGREE COAXIAL CONNECTOR SYMBOL
CONNECTOR SYMBOL
RACPRO SPLICE

- Tells where the splice is to be made. Splice is to be done within six inches of connector.
- Big wire to smaller diameter splice will be within 3 inches.
COAXIAL CONNECTOR SYMBOL
DIMENSIONING CONVERSION

Conversion of millimeters to feet.
1mm = .03936 INCHES
1 FOOT = 304.8 mm
EXAMPLE OF FORMULA
200mm * .03936 = 7.873 INCHES
25.4mm per inch
DIMENSIONING

Cable or wire dimensions shown on drawing is in millimeters (mm).
• Also known as Snake Skin, Rylon is a black net sleeving used to protect wiring where it breaks out from the bundle.
• It is easily damaged when heating shrink tube used to finish the ends.
ROUNDIT SLEEVE SYMBOL
P/N 2000 NX-XX DIA EXAMPLE- XX = ½"
ROUNDIT SLEEVE

Typical color is green
Similar to Rylon sleeve, made of green material. Used to prevent chafing of the wire bundle
HEAT SHRINK TUBING

Standard type available in sizes from 1/8” to 1-3/4”.

Also available is ATUM shrink tubing. ATUM only available in one size but has a high shrink ratio. Very rigid after cooling.
WHAT NOT TO DO.
Leaving cut wires tied in the bundle. One of these wires controlled power to the thrust reversers.