

AN ANALOG SOLUTION IN A DIGITAL WORLD

Analog simulators have earned their place in flight training, from the smallest ATC-610 (a modern version of which is pictured at right) to the Frasca 142s and large projection-screen simulators used by universities and companies such as SimCom and FlightSafety International in their GA training centers. Many non-motion analog flight training devices are holdovers from the days before PC simulations. If a flight school near you has a skilled instructor there who knows how to use one, good. Get on his schedule.

I've taught many a pilot basic instruments on a variety of analog flight training devices and found them quite effective. As with so many things, they are being phased out with the advent of the increased portability, reduced cost and flexibility of the PC computer trainers.

