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Recent Advances in Wideband Signal Processing for Classical and Quantum Synthetic Apertures

Synthetic aperture (SA) systems are deployed in a variety of applications to make high-resolution spatial or temporal measurements with hardware that is inherently capable of much lower resolution. Examples include synthetic aperture radar (SAR), holographic cameras in optics, channel sounders in 5G communications or 6G channel sensing, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), distributed radio telescopes in astronomy and many more. While the size of the synthetic aperture will ultimately determine angle resolution performance, it is the system bandwidth that determines delay resolution and not all synthetic apertures are created equal with respect to bandwidth. The bandwidth capabilities of synthetic apertures are grouped into the following four categories of interest for the purposes of this special issue: 1) instantaneously wideband system; 2) synthetic apertures that synthesize wide bandwidths from many discrete and instantaneously narrowband signals; 3) synthetic apertures that operate over several contiguous but disjoint frequency bands; and 4) synthetic apertures that have no inherent bandwidth but can still implement delay estimation using image reconstruction techniques or inverse problem solutions and machine learning. We would like to solicit high-quality manuscripts that describe new engineering or theoretical approaches that exploit bandwidth in classical synthetic apertures, or that compensate for the lack of available bandwidth, as well as new approaches describing spatial or temporal super-resolution techniques for quantum synthetic apertures. Topics of interest include but are not limited to:

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