Class meets TTh 9:30-11:00 in ENS306

Course web page: Blackboard

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Prerequisites:
Graduate standing or consent of instructor. One prior course in electromagnetics (or acoustics) and one in signal processing are desirable, although not absolutely required.

Course Objectives:
(i) To build up a thorough understanding of radar principles from the fundamental aspects of electromagnetics and signal processing.
(ii) To gain in-depth knowledge of a radar-related topic through a student-defined term project.

Grading: Homework (40%) + 2 Midterms (30%) + Term Project (30%)

Course Coverage:

1. Introduction (Wehner Chap. 1)
   Overview, radar frequencies, range resolution and bandwidth, Nyquist sampling, Doppler effect and resolution, point scatterer model, FFT

2. Electromagnetics of Radar (Chap. 2)
   Radar range equation, electromagnetic scattering, numerical and asymptotic solutions, radar cross section, point scatterer model, antennas, propagation

3. Signal Processing of Radar (Chap. 3, 4, 5)
   Matched filter, ambiguity function, linear FM waveform, pulse compression, binary phase coding, stepped frequency waveform, quadrature receiver, detection threshold

4. Radar Imaging (Chap. 6, 7)
   Microwave imaging basics, synthetic aperture radar, chirp pulse waveform, SAR processing, inverse synthetic aperture radar, motion compensation

5. Other Types of Radars (dictated by time and class interests)
   FMCW, pulse-Doppler, MTI, tracking, monopulse, microDoppler, IFSAR
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