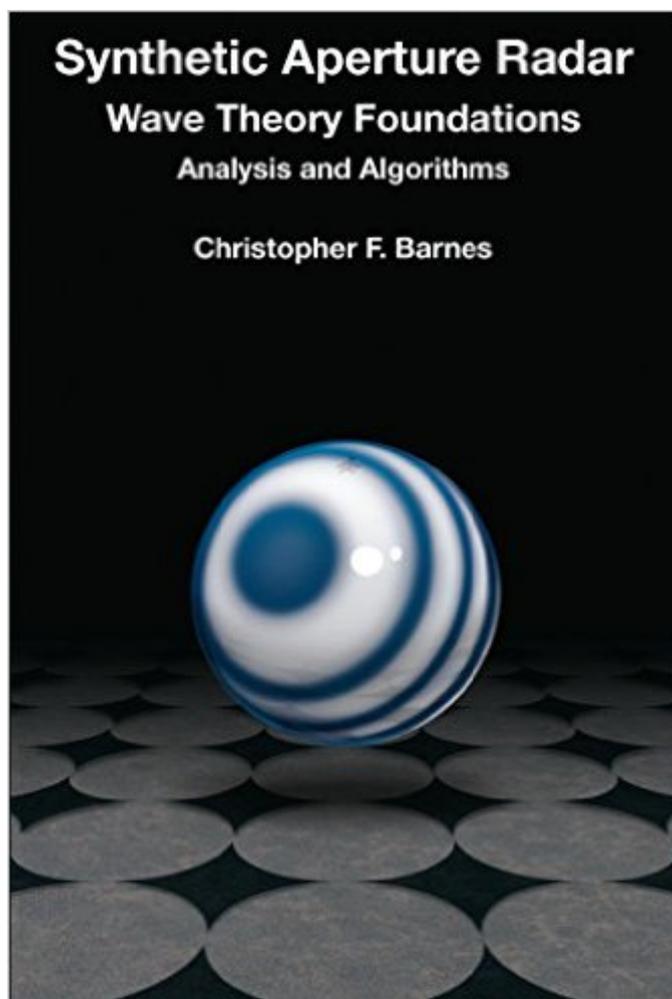


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Another excellent book from what should be called: "The Georgia Tech School of Radar". This book by Prof. Barnes attempts to provide a holistic foundation of modern synthetic aperture radar theory that is different from the popular classical works. The classical works I am familiar with are: 1) Digital Processing of Synthetic Aperture Radar Data by Cumming and Wong. 2) Spotlight-Mode Synthetic Aperture Radar by Jackowatz et al. 3) Spotlight Synthetic Aperture Radar by Carrara and Majewski. 4) Synthetic Aperture Radar Signal Processing by Soumekh. 5) Synthetic Aperture Radar: Systems and Signal Processing by Curlander et al. Although these books have their strengths, what they lack is fundamental pedagogy in relating basic and advanced signal processing principles to basic and fundamental physics. I shall refer to these books as "legacy books". What strikingly distinguishes this book from the legacy books is that Barnes has harmoniously synthesized electromagnetic scattering theory and SAR signal processing in a unified framework. Without such a framework, one feels a definite confusion and lack of depth/intuition going through the legacy SAR books. The author in page 12 correctly alludes to the "Balkanization of the practicing SAR communities". Anyone going through even a modest number of the 1000+! references (side note: I do not think there exists too many people reading 1000+ references related to SAR theory) cited by the author notices that many papers and books are based upon a simplified geometric viewpoint that lead to basic equations based upon time-varying range. Subsequently, Taylor series approximations are used to derive basic design parameters of a SAR system.

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