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ABSTRACT

This paper considers two methods of processing signals from a multi-look unfocussed synthetic-aperture radar. A saving in the processor complexity is achieved in comparison to a fully focussed SAR system at the expense of slightly greater clutter levels and poorer along-track resolution. In addition, lower power consumption enables the unfocussed processor to increase the number of looks to compensate in part for the reduced resolution.

An example of a processor for 150 m resolution at 435 km height with 138 km swath (7° to 22°) uses only 33 watts for 4 looks (most of the power is used by 4 A/D converters).

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

A synthetic aperture radar (SAR) array is achieved by suitably processing radar echoes from a single mobile antenna moved along thelline of a hypothetical linear array, resulting in beam sharpening and consequent fine resolution along a line parallel to the array.

Focussing requires that the effective phase length between each of the array elements and the target is the same. The total received signal from such a target is the result of phase-coherent summing of the received signals from all elements of the array. For a fully-focussed SAR, linear along-track resolution is:

$$r_x = \frac{D}{2}$$

independent of frequency and range [1], where D is the physical length of the antenna.

Now consider the comparable case for the unfocussed SAR. Each element of the synthetic array illuminates and receives a return signal from a target independent of every other array element. Here linear along-track resolution is (for minimum processing): $r_x \approx \left[\frac{1}{2} (\lambda R)\right]^{1/2}$

at slant range R and wavelength λ [2].

For the unfocussed SAR, resolution in the along-track direction is dependent on range and frequency. In this case, the coherent echoes are summed without compensation for the phase shifts. This simplifies the processor but limits the maximum admissable length of the synthesized antenna. This arises from the fact that the phase difference of the received signals in the center and on the edges of the synthesized aperture must not exceed 90 degrees [3], i.e.

$$L < (\lambda R)^{1/2}$$

Unfocussed signal processing provides along-track resolution which is considerably poorer than fully-focussed signal processing. Nevertheless for requirements in sea-ice, soil-moisture, and snow imaging it may be adequate. One method of

improving the image quality is to provide for multi-looks. That is, multiple independent coherent looks are made of each cell, and these coherent looks are non-coherently combined to provide a better quality image.

As the real antenna is progressively moved along the line of a hypothetical linear array, there is a certain amount of overlapping of beam coverage. This overlapping permits multi-looks at a specified picture or target cell area, enabling averaging to be done to give a better image and reduce speckle (Figure 1).

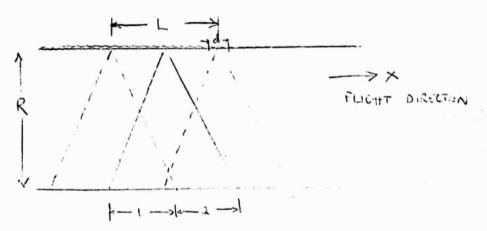


Figure 1. System for two looks on a pixel.

When processing synthetic-aperture radar data, all or part of the Doppler bandwidth may be processed for resolution. If the total bandwidth is used for resolution, the resultant processed signal contains all the information about the target which can be obtained (assuming the system is linear). Therefore, a multi-look system can never gather more information about any target than a one-look system having the same bandwidth (when the system is linear).

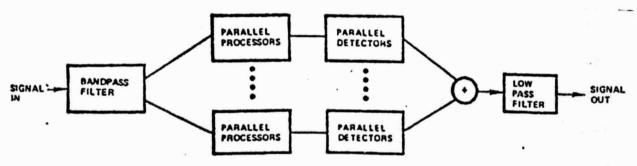
If the bandwidth is divided into sections, several signals may be derived from the total bandwidth, each of which when processed yields proportionately less resolution. Combining the multiple looks will result in a better-looking image than any look itself because the speckled appearance of the picture will be improved.

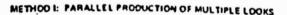
The independent looks can also be obtained by processing different look angles or different polarizations. The effect on the processor is to increase its complexity by the number of looks. Thus, for four looks, the memory and arithmetic rate each increase by a factor of four. If one Doppler filter is required for one look as in the unfocussed processor, then four filters are required for four looks.

Two methods for the production of multiple looks, illustrated in Figure 2, are:

- 1. Filtering to form multiple bandwidth sections, with each section processed coherently and the results detected and summed.
- 2. Processing for ultimate resolution and low-pass filtering detected outputs to the desired resolution.

Both methods give virtually identical results in terms of the quality of the resulting image. However, preference is for method 1 which requires the least amount of storage [4].



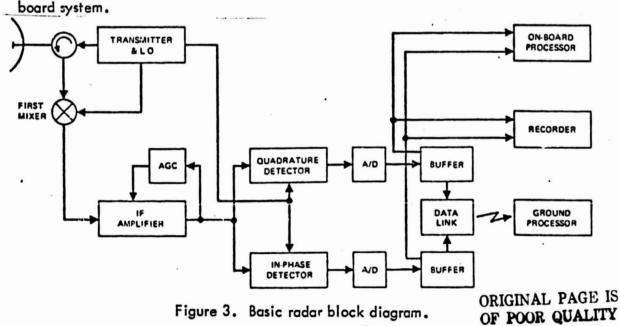




METHOD II: LOW PASS FILTERING OF THE OUTPUT

Figure 2. Two methods used for producing multi-looks.

The basic elements of a spaceborne SAR system are shown in Figure 3. Since the unfocussed SAR processor is relatively simple, it is possible to use it as the on-



2.0 SAR SIGNAL PROCESSING

SAR systems employ signal processing to convert stored radar signals into fineresolution images. Signal processing in radar systems is analogous to modulation theory in communication systems. Both fields continuously emphasize communicating a maximum of information in a specified bandwidth and minimizing the effect of interference.

The fundamental aperture synthesis process is carried out by storing and summing reflected radar signals observed at the sequence of positions,

 $(x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_n)$

Since the unfocussed SAR processing does not introduce a phase-shift factor, it merely sums the signals over the length of the synthetic aperture. Summation of the signals is limited to the first Fresnel zone if severe sidelobe degradation is to be avoided.

All SAR systems provide the same target histories for processing (filtering). Each method of processing offers a trade in the suitability of its final image to satisfy user requirements against the engineering and economic requirement of a SAR system.

Unfocussed SAR systems (i.e., those which do not require range-dependent quadratic phase corrections) can be implemented using recirculating delay lines, Doppler filters and other analogous networks.

Unfocussed SAR processing can also be described as "Zone Plate" processing employing matched-filtering or reference functions which include only the first Fresnel zone [5]. The use of modified reference functions gives rise to slightly greater clutter levels and poorer along-track resolution but this is the trade-off leading to the design of simpler processors.

3.0 RECIRCULATING DELAY LINES

In this method, the various range elements are processed sequentially as a signal circulates around a delay line and is added to the incoming signal.

This recirculation is continued until the signals in N cycles of the input have been added together. Only signals having the proper period add up each

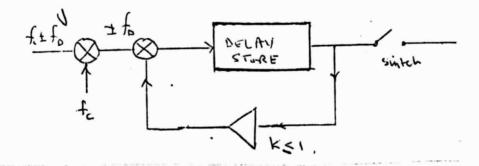
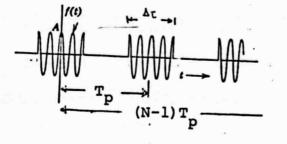


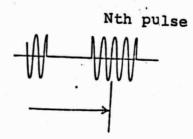
Figure 4. Active comb filter.

time, while signals with different periods drift in and out of phase in the addition process.

Consider a train of N pulses (see Figure 5) for which the first train pulse is denoted by $f_p(t)$ and its Fourier transform by $F_p(w)$. Then the Fourier transform F(w) of the pulse train through the comb filter in Figure 4 is given by:

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{F}(\mathsf{w}) &= \mathsf{F}\left\{ \begin{cases} \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{t}) + \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{t}^{-}\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{p}}) + \mathsf{K}^{2} \ \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{t}^{-}2\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{p}}) + \\ & \cdot \cdot \cdot \mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}^{-1}} \ \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{t}^{-}(\mathsf{N}^{-}1)\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{p}}) \\ \end{cases} \right\} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ (1 + \mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{e}}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} + \mathsf{K}^{2}\mathsf{e}^{-2j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} + \dots) \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \frac{1 - \mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}}\mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}}{1 - \mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{e}}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \frac{1 - \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}}{1 - \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} - (\mathsf{K}^{-1}) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \frac{1 - \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}}{\mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} \ \mathsf{e}^{j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} - \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \frac{2j\mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2}}{\mathsf{e}^{j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} \ \mathsf{e}^{j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} - \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \frac{2j\mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}/2} \ \mathsf{sin} \left(\frac{\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}{2}\right) - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ \mathsf{2}j\mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ [2j \ \mathsf{sin} \ (\frac{\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}{2}) - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ [2j \ \mathsf{sin} \ (\frac{\mathsf{w}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}}{2}) - (\mathsf{K}^{\mathsf{N}} - 1) \ \mathsf{e}^{-j\mathsf{w}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{sin} (\mathsf{w}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{p}) - \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}} \mathsf{N} \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \\ &= \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}}(\mathsf{w}) \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}} \ \mathsf{e}^{\mathsf{p}$$







$$F(w) = F_{p}(w) \frac{[2j \sin(\frac{wNTp}{2}) - (K^{N} - 1)\left\{\cos(\frac{wNTp}{2}) - j \sin(\frac{wNTp}{2})\right\} e^{-\frac{jw(N-1)Tp}{2}}}{[2j \sin(\frac{wTp}{2}) - (K - 1)\left\{\cos(\frac{wTp}{2}) - j \sin(\frac{wTp}{2})\right\}]}$$

For K = 1, the expression reduces to

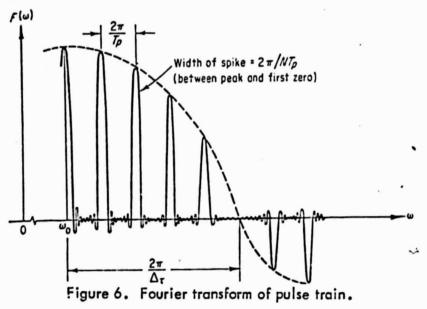
$$F(w) = F_{p}(w) \frac{\sin(wNTp/2)}{\sin(wTp/2)} e^{-\frac{1}{1}w(N-1)Tp}$$
(1)

a typical plot of which is shown in Figure 6 where

$$F_{p}(w) = \frac{A \Delta T}{2} \left[\frac{\sin (w - w_{0}) \Delta T/2}{(w - w_{0}) \Delta T/2} + \frac{\sin (w + w_{0}) \Delta T/2}{(w + w_{0}) \Delta T/2} \right]$$
(2)

The filtering of a train of pulses is therefore called a comb-filter because of the shape of the frequency spectrum of the signal.

The carrier frequency wo = $\frac{2 \pi m}{Tp}$ where 'm' is an integer. The width of the overriding envelope is $\frac{2\pi}{\Delta T}$ and is related to the spectrum of a single pulse, i.e., sin (w - wo) $\Delta T/2 = 0$ or (w - wo) = $-\frac{2\pi}{\Delta T}$ when w is the value at the first null of the single-pulse spectrum. The centers of the teeth of a comb are spaced by $\frac{2\pi}{Tp}$ and have a width of 4π times the reciprocal of the total pulse-train length.



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Expanding F(w) further we obtain

$$F(w) = F_{p}(w) \frac{[(K^{N}-1)\cos(\frac{wNTp}{2}) - j(K^{N}+1)\sin(\frac{wNTp}{2})] e^{\frac{jw(r+1)Tp}{2}}}{[(K-1)\cos(\frac{wTp}{2}) - j(K+1)\sin(\frac{wTp}{2})]}$$
(3)

-iw(N-i)Tr

A switch or inhibit gate as shown in Figure 4, limits the pulse train to N pulses. The gates are usually used to clear the delay line after (N-1) recirculations of the first pulse. By employing a feedback loop around the delay line with loop gain K less than unity, we can do without the input or output gates. In fact, some unfocussed SAR systems use this method and omit the switch, with the effective N determined by the decay associated with the repeated passage of the signals through the gain K.

Another effect of the feedback loop is to reduce the sidelobes. The teeth of the comb filter have a $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ shape if all pulses summed are weighted the same.

By adjusting the amplifier gain K in the feedback loop for less than unity, this shape can be changed to achieve any of the standard weighting functions and resulting passband shapes. Hence to optimize integrator performance, the value of K, loop gain must be optimized. [6]

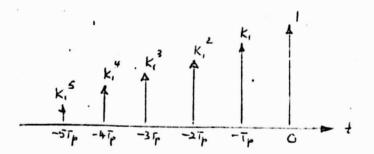


Figure 7. Weighting function for feedback loop gain K.

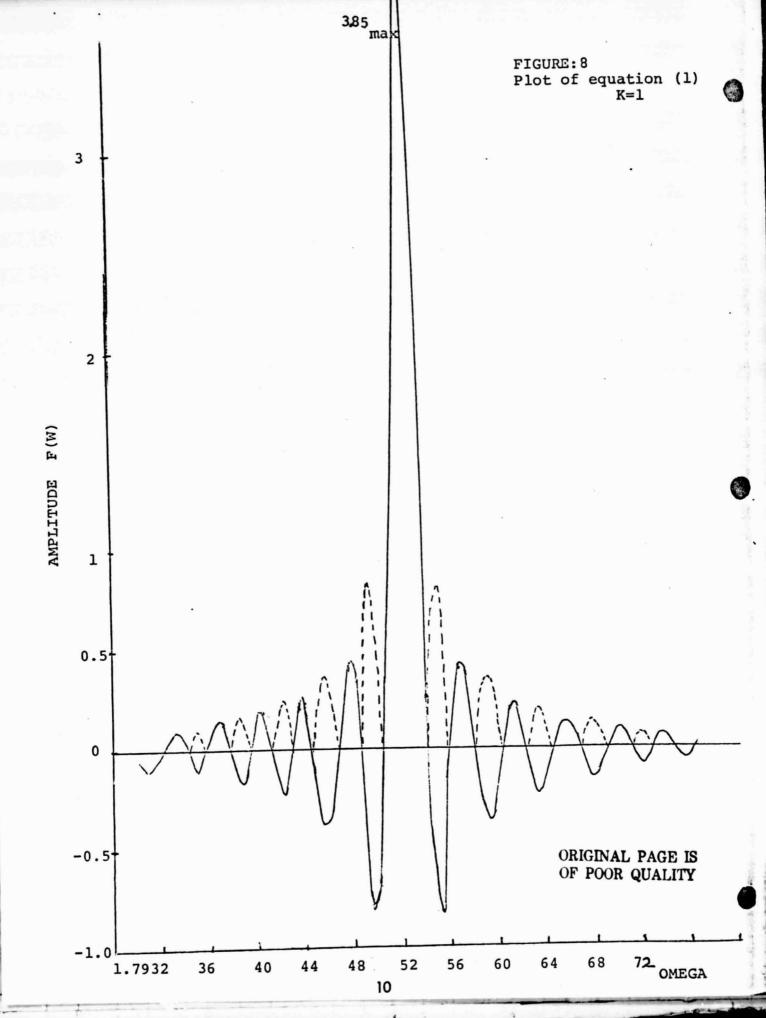
To demonstrate the effect on a SAR system, equations (1) and (3) were plotted using SAR specifications and illustrated on Figure 8. The computer printout results are in Appendix A.

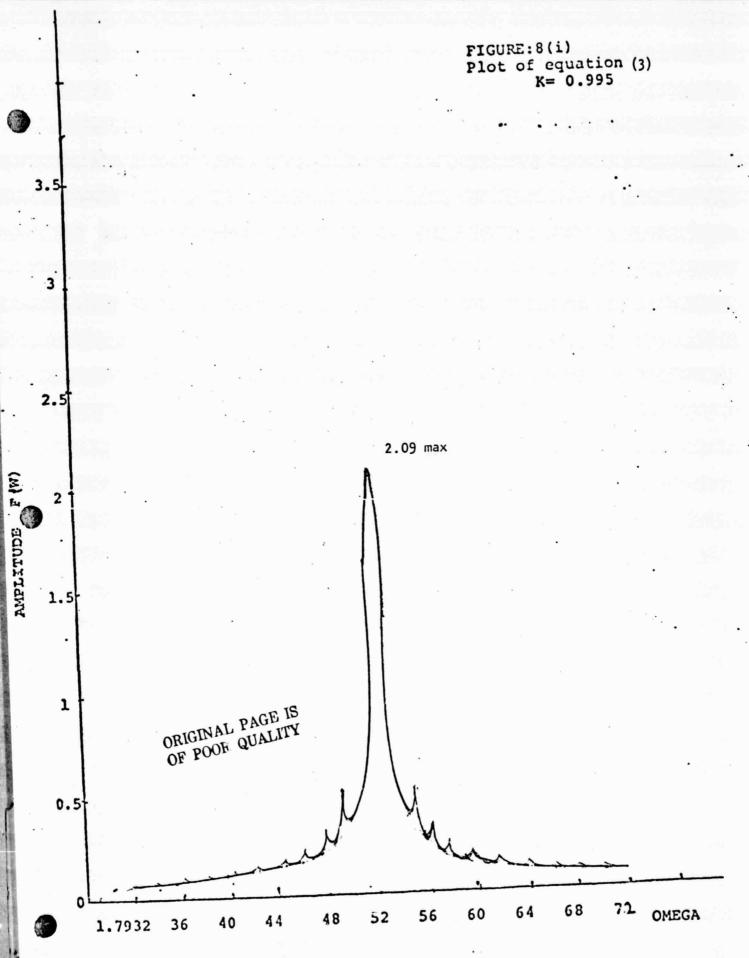
Advantages in recirculating delay line processors include the need for no physical range gating since target range is determined by the time of appearance of echo pulses at Doppler outputs. The comb filter has a set of passbands spaced by the same spacing as the Fourier components of the received pulse. This permits narrow-band Doppler filtering while retaining the wide-band characteristics of the pulse train necessary to retain range resolution.

If the delay line is implemented by a sampled-data system using either an analog or a digital shift register, the delay is established by the clock driving the register, which can be made very accurate. The use of a digital system also eliminates the loop-gain stability problem.

4.0 DOPPLER FILTERS AND RANGE GATES

The infusion of digital techniques into radar processing in recent years is

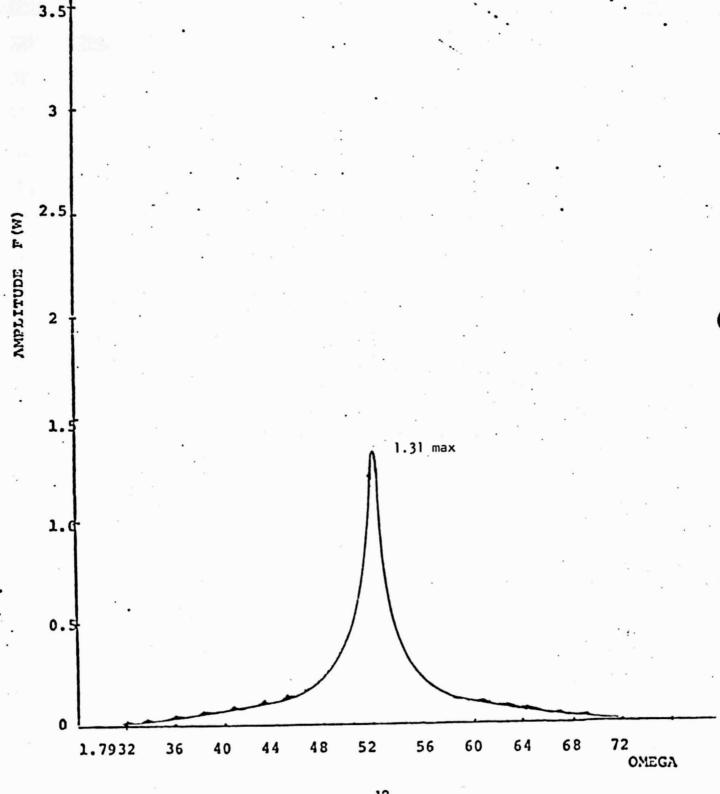




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FIGURE:8 (ii) Plot of equation (3) K= 0.990



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well known. In replacing conventional analog circuits with small and reliable digital storage devices, significant improvements such as size, weight, power and reliability have been made possible.

The alternative method to recirculating systems is the use of sampling systems at a clock frequency, f_r . The sampling rate must be high enough to avoid aliasing and is usually at the pulse repetition frequency (PRF) of the radar. This method also depends on range gates, with a sample per range gate. Figure 9 illustrates a schematic of a simple unfocussed processor.

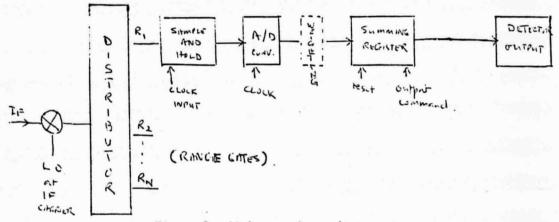


Figure 9. Unfocussed sampling processor.

The IF echo signal is distributed to the several range gates where it is sampled at least once per pulse width and converted to a digital word. N samples corresponding to the coherent integration time or desired array length are summed together in a register which is controlled by the master clock. The register, therefore, only stores the sampled signal and adds a new sample for each pulse signal per range gate.

Figure 10 illustrates the processor using I and Q channels for a zero-IF configuration. The advantage of this unfocussed processor is that it requires no multiplications at all for the single channel range gate and only output multiplications for I and Q channels. This is possible because of the recent advances in A/D conversion rates and the rapid decrease in the cost of digital storage.

To make a map, multiple range cells are required. When multiple range gates are processed similarly, an azimuth line is formed. The map is formed with successive azimuth lines laid side by side. Each azimuth line is like a sample of the synthetic array pattern. For multiple looks, replications of the system according to the number of looks will be needed with different local oscillator frequencies to

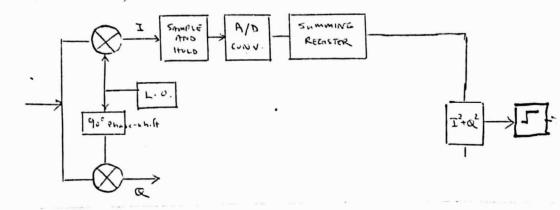
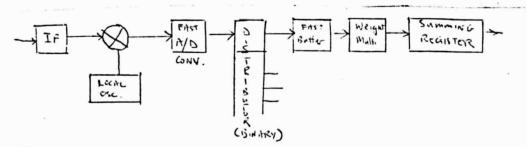
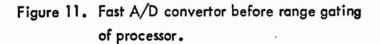


Figure 10. Digital I and Q SAR processor multiple range gate, single filter.

point the beam. [7]

In the above system, since each range gate does its own A/D conversion, the conversion can be carried out at a slow rate although a fast sample-and-hold unit is still required. If we use a single fast A/D unit before distribution, its output must go into a fast buffer for each range gate as shown in Figure 11. However, this buffer store could use fewer bits than the main register, and summing could be done still slower. The buffer memory that operates on a First-in, First-out mode is the most cost-effective way to interface two systems with different data rates.





The range gate distributor can be designed according to the schematic in Figure 12. Here the sampled signal is clocked serially to the left. When the return from a zero range target is in the left-most storage location, the sampling clock is stopped, and the contents of the distributor are transferred in parallel to the output fast buffer stores, thereby sorting the radar return into range bins.

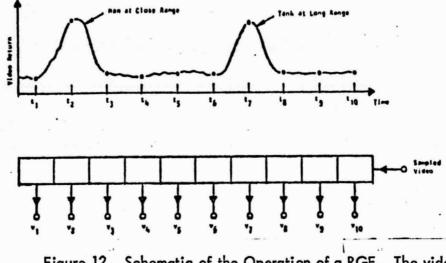


Figure 12. Schematic of the Operation of a RGF. The video return is sampled as shown, and the samples are clocked into the RGF. The man at close range results in a large signal at V_2 and the tank at longer range results in a large signal at V_7 .

A common criterion for optimization is to find a weighting function which will provide a minimum main-lobe widening for a specified side-lobe level. Proper amplitude weighting of the received pulse train can improve the signal-to-clutter ratio in many situations. Some examples of weighting are the Taylor, Cosine, Hamming functions.

In summary, sampled-data systems depend on range gating first whereas the comb-filter techniques do the inverse and Doppler filter on the complete signal and then separate the range cells.

To illustrate the advantage of the unfocussed multi-look SAR processor from a hardware aspect, let us consider the following example which compares it with a focussed system using a fast Fourier transform (FFT) processor.

The SAR system has the following parameters:

Altitude of spacecraft	435 km
Ground velocity	7.2 km/sec

Wavelength	0.063 meters	
Swath	138 km	
Bandwidth	4.8 kHz	
Aperture length	3 meters	
Look angle	7 ⁰	
Number of looks	4	

Let us assume a cross-track resolution of 150 meters. Then for a swath of 138 km, we obtain the required number of range bins - 920.

Assume that a word of information can be represented by 5 bits, then the distributor shift register must be able to handle $5 \times 920 = 6400$ bits.

For an unfocussed multi-look system, hardware and power consumption is listed as follows:

Quantity	Item	Power
1	A/D Convertor	8.33 watts
2	Digital shift register, 6 MHz,	2 x 123 µw =
	AM 2F 25	246 μw
920	Buffer memories CMOS MC14014	920 x 63 nw
		57.96 μw
1840	Summing Registers (I and Q)	1840 x 1 μw =
	CMOS MC14008AL	1840 μw
	Sub – total	8.332 watts
	for 4 looks – total	33.328 watts

For FFT focussed processor, hardware and power consumption is listed as follows: $BT = 1.268 \times 4.8 \times 10^3 = 6090$ $G = number of sub-apertures, D/2 per pixel = \frac{150}{1.5} = 100$ Number of pulses per sub-aperture = $\frac{BT}{G} = 60.9$ For FFT, no. of pulses must be an integer of 2 Nearest multiple of 2^m is for m = 6 where N = 2⁶ = 64.

Memory size, including corner turning is = $\frac{5}{4} \times 64 \times 920 \times 5 = 368$ k bits.

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Quantity	Item		Power
1	A/D Convertor		8.33 watts
	100 ns, Datel ADC-UH6B		
2	Digitai Shift Register		2 x 123 µw =
	6 MHz, AM 2825		246 µw
368	RAM Intersil CMOS IM6508A-1		$368 \times 10^3 \times 9.8 \times 10^{-6}$
	(plus corner-turning memory)		= 3.6 watts
920 × 4	Adder/Subtractor register		3680 x 1 μw
	CMOS MC14008AL		3.68 mw
920 × 4	Multiplier		3680 x 100 nw =
	CMOS MC14554AL		0.360 mw
		Total	12.0 watts

It is interesting to note that the application of a CCD transversal filter for an image processor [8] could provide a power consumption of a similar order of magnitude: (7 watts for 10 km swath width with 50 m resolution from an altitude of 800 km) as the unfocussed processor.

5.0 CONCLUSION

Unfocussed signal processing produces images with considerably poorer alongtrack resolution than fully or partially focussed systems. However, the unfocussed signal processor is very much simplified enabling a reduction in hardware for the system so that it can be placed on-board the aircraft or spacecraft.

This advantage also enables the reduction of the required telemetry channel capacity and the ground-based processing facilities significantly.

It is necessary that multi-looks be applied to unfocussed signal processing to provide an image which can be useable. This is at the expense of additional hardware, however.

Since the azimuthal resolution r_x for a fully focussed system is related to the total Doppler bandwidth, it is possible to provide more coverage per orbit by employing unfocussed systems at the sacrifice of azimuthal resolution. This in addition to multi-looks may provide the necessary parameters for a mission which does not require high resolution.

APPENDIX A

SAR SPECIFICATIONS: PRF = 7.2 kHz. ; $\Delta f_d = 26$ Hz. Therefore: N, number of pulses = PRF = 277 $T_{p} = 1 = 140 \ \mu secs.$ PRF $\Delta_{t} = \frac{T_{p}}{1000} = 0.14 \text{ µsecs.}$ $w_0 = \frac{2\tau_m}{T_p} = 1.7951957 \text{ MHz}$ for m=40 $A = 10^{5}$ k = 0.995 and = 0.99Width of comb: $\frac{2T_1}{NT_p} = 162 \text{ Hz}.$ Spacing between combs: $\frac{2\pi}{T_{p}}$ = 44880 Hz Width of envelope: 2π = 4,488,000 Hz. Δt Program for K =1.

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10 EATA PI/1.7951957/
20 WRITE(6,850);850 FOFMAT (2X,'OMEGA',5X,'FW')
30 D0 100 I=44800,250000; W=4.0E-5*I
40 TEMP 1= 2.7E-2*SIN(19390*V)/SIN(70*V)
50 IF(V.EQ.0.0) TEMP 1=0.7E-2* 1.0
60 X1 = (V-PI)*0.07
70 X2 = (V+PI)*0.07
80 80 TEMP 2 = SIN(X1)/X1 + SIN(X2)/X2
85 IF(X1.EQ.0.0) TEMP 2 =1.0+SIN(X2)/X2
90 FV =TEMP1*TEM
P2
100 VFITE (6,900) V.FV
110 900 FORMAT (1X,F3.6,3E12.3)
120 100 CONTINUESTOP; FUL
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OMEGA	EW.	OMEGA	FW	OMEGA	FW
	-3.478F-01	1.793842	C.135F FC	1.795642	C. 3255 20
95240	-C. 634E-C1	1.793332	C.563E-01	1.795650	C . 145 E- 21
192130	-0.427 E-01	1.793920	-0.621E-01	1.795720	-0.256F 00
1.792120	2.327 F-02	1.793960	-0.148E 20	1.795760	-0.352F 00
1.792162	6.486E-01	1.794000	-0.155E 30	1.795800	-0.2455 20
190200	0.649E-01	1.794848	-0.703E-01	1.795843	-C.233E-21
1.792240	0.4691-01	1.794250	0.6211-01	1.795850	C.137E 60
1.792350	-C.7665-C3	1.794120	. C . 1 68E CC	1.795920	0.2745 60
1.792320	-0.493E-C1	1.794160	0.131E CC	1.795960	0.2021 00
1.792360	-0.766E-01	1.794203	0.856E-01	1.796000	0.283E-01
1.792430	-0.516F-01	1.794240	-0.648E-01	1.796340	-0.145E CO
1.792440	-0.203E-02	1.794280	-C.193E 02	1.796080	-0.223E 60
1.792450	0.501 E-21	1.794320	-0.217E 60	1.796120	-0.173E 00
1.792522	C . 747 E-01	1.794360	-C.114E 00	1.796160	-0.316E-01
1.792560	0.5675-01	1.794400	C. 685E-C1	1.796200	0.115E 20
1.792600	0.519E-02	1.794443	C.229E CC	1.796240	0.188F 00
1.792642	-0.509E-01	1.794430	6.269E 00	1.796280	0.151E 60
1.792630	-0.792E-01	1.794520	0.151 F 00	1.796320	0.340E-01
1.792720	-0.623E-C1	1.794560	-0.739E-01	1.796360	-0.941E-01
1.792760	-0.872E-02	1.794600	-0.284E 00	1.796400	-0.162E 00
1.792830	6.518E-01	1.794640	-0.350E 00	1.796440	-0.135E 00
1.792840	0.842E-01	1.794680	-0.210E 0C	1.796450	-0.357E-21
1.792830	0. 637 E-01	1.794720	0.826E-01	1.796520	6.778E-01
1.792920	0-127 E-01	1.794760	E. 378E 60	1.796560	Ø.141E 00
1.792960	-C.526E-01	1.794300	0.495E 00	1.796600	0.123E 60
1.793886	-0.897 F-01	1.794840	0.323E 00	1.796640	0.370E-01
1.793040	-0.759E-01	1.794350	-Ø.100E 00	1.796688	-0 . 640 F-G1
1.793080	-0.173E-01	1.794920	-0.580E 00	1.796720	-0.125E 00
1.793120	0.536E-01	1.794960	-0.835E 00	1.796760	-Ø.1131 CC
1.793160	Ø.960I-01	1.795000	-0.619E 00	.1.796800	-0.35CE-01
. 1.793220	0.841E-01	1.795040	Ø.154E Ø0	1.796840	0.544E-01
1.793240	0.227 E-01	1.795030	Ø.134E Ø1	1.7.96880	0.1125 00
1.793250	-0.546E-01	1.795120	0.261E 01	1.796920	0.104F 00
1.793320	-0.103E 00	1.795160	0.355F Ø1	1.796960	0.358E-01
1.793360	-0.936E-01	1.795200	Ø.385E Ø1	1.797003	-Ø.457E-01
1.793400	-0.259 E-01	1.795240	0.346E 01	1.797949	-0.101E CO
1.793440	Ø.557E-Ø1	1.795280	C.236E 01	1.797050	-0.973E-01
1.793480	0.112E EØ	1.795320	0.107 F 01	1.797120	-0.393E-01
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1.793563	0.363E-01	1.795400	-0.711E 00	. 1.797200	0.914E-C1
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793680	-0.118E 60	1.795520	0.186E-02	1.797 325	- C . 326 F- 6 1
1.793720	-0.453F-01	1.795560	0.384E CO	1.797360	-0.8321-01
1.793760	C . 584 F-01	1.795600	0.492E 00	1.797 430	-2.858E-Ø1
1.793500	0.134E 00			1.797440	-0.401 E-61

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DATA PI/1.7951957/ 10 WRITE(6,850);850 FORMAT (2N, OMEGA(,5X, F(W))) 20 (D□ 100 I=44830,45000;W=4.0E-5*I 30 M1=(W-PI)+9.07 40 N2=(W+PI)+0.97 50 IF(X1.6T.0.0001) GD TO 80 60 TEMP1=0.7E-2*(1.0+SIN(X2)/X2); GD TD 90 70 TEMP1=0.7E-2+(SIN(X1)/X1+SIN(X2)/X2) 80 39 90 F1=70.0+W;F2=19390.0+W 90 F3=0.938205+CDS(F2) 100 F4=1.061795+SIN(F2) 110 120 TEMP2=SORT(F3++2+F4++2) 130 F5=9.91+COS(F1) 140 F6=1.99+SIN(F1) 150 TEMP4=SORT(F6++2+F5++2) 169 FU=TEMP1+TEMP2. TEMP4 170 WRITE(6,900) W,FW 130 900 FORMAT (1X,F8.6,3E12.3) 199 100 CONTINUE;STOP;END

K = 0.005

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   DATA PI/1.7951957/
20 WRITE(6,850);850 FORMAT (2X,10MEGA1,5X,1F(W)1)
30 DD 100 I=44830,45000;W=4.0E-5+I
   X1=(W-PI)+0.07
40
   X2=(W+PI)+0.07
50
   IF(X1.GT.0.0001) GD TD 80
60
    TEMP1=0.7E-2+(1.0+SIN(X2)/X2); GD TD 90
70
    80 TEMP1=0.7E-2+(SIN(N1)/X1+SIN(N2)/X2)
89
90
    90 F1=70.0+W:F2=19390.0+W
     F3=0.7505+CDS(F2)
100
     F4=1.2495+SIN(F2)
110
120
    TEMP2=SORT(F3++2+F4++2)
139
    F5=0.005+CDS(F1)
140
    F6=1.995+SIN(F1)
150
    TEMP4=SORT(F6++2+F5++2)
160
    FW=TEMP1+TEMP2./TEMP4
170
    WRITE(6,900) W.FW
189
    900 FORMAT (1X,F8.6,3E12.3)
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    100 CONTINUE;STOP;END
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