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Present and Future Perspectives of Passive Radar

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Abstract

Passive Radar (also known as Passive Coherent Location, PCL) uses ambient radio signals (transmitter of opportunity) to illuminate the target environment. This makes it resilient against detection and ubiquitous in application. As PCL is per se bi/multi-static, its performance heavily depends on the availability of multiple illuminators and/or observers and requires multiple sensor data fusion. While conventional radio transmitters (FM, TV and DAB/DVB) have been used so far, the availability of new radio services offers unprecedented opportunities for PCL. These include new satellite services and wireless systems. Whereas usage of GSM for PCL was already proposed, the new 4G mobile radio system concepts like LTE, and even more the envisaged 5G standard (still in preparation) will offer entirely new features that have not yet been fully explored. Interesting new features will be attributed, e.g. to new waveforms, scalable radio interfaces, flexible radio resource allocation, multiple antenna technologies, new frequencies, etc. On the other hand, cheap yet powerful software defined radio platforms are available. Moreover, ultra-light personal air platforms are becoming popular, as well as inexpensive unmanned flying platforms. These targets are not easily detected by conventional radar. Similarly the planned introduction of autonomous driving would require a large amount of radar sensing for road traffic control and safety.

Passive radar seems to be an approach to establish ubiquitous radar services based on pervasive illumination. Thus, PCL can be considered a green technology that does not need (resp. waste) scarce frequency resources. Radio services from satellite via cellular down to WiFi can be exploited for a variety of applications on different scales from remote sensing down to road traffic management and private security.

The aim of the workshop is to start from the state-of-the-art and move towards the future perspectives of PCL in the light of new and upcoming radio services, ubiquitous mobile platforms, and emerging application needs.

Programme

08:30 - 09:00 Passive Radar on Fixed and Mobile Platforms Exploiting Digital Broadcast Signals Heiner Kuschel, FHG/FHR, Germany

09:00 - 09:30 FM/DAB/DVB-T Multiband Multistatic Passive Radar System – Design Considerations and Lessons Learnt Michael Edrich, HENSOLDT Sensors GmbH, Germany

09:30 - 10:00 Data Association in Multistatic Passive Radar Systems

Martina Brötje, Wolfgang Koch, FHG/FKIE, Germany

10:10 - 10:50 Break

10:50 - 11:20 WiFi-Based Passive Radar for Short Range Surveillance: Detecting and Locating Air Targets, Surface Vehicles and Human Beings

Fabiola Colone, Pierfrancesco Lombardo, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

11:20 - 11:50 GSM Passive Coherent Location: Signal Processing and Applications

Reda Zemmari, Wolfgang Koch, FHG/FKIE, Germany

11:50 - 12:20 Perspectives of Cooperative PCL in Next Generation Mobile Radio

Reiner Thomä, TU Ilmenau, Germany

12:30 - 13:50 Break

13:50 - 14:20 Passive Forward Scatter Radar

Marina Gashinova, Mike Cherniakov, University of Birmingham, UK

14:20 - 14:50 Passive Radars on Mobile Platforms - New Changes and New Benefts

Krzysztof Kulpa, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland



14:50 - 15:20 Passive Imaging Using SAR and ISAR Technology

Piotr Samczynski, Mateusz Malanowski, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland

15:30 - 16:10 Break

16:10 - 16:40 GNSS-Based Passive Radar

Mike Antoniou, University of Birmingham, UK Debora Pastina, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

16:40 - 17:10 Passive Radar at ZESS - From HITCHHIKER to ASTRA

Otmar Loffeld, University of Siegen, Germany