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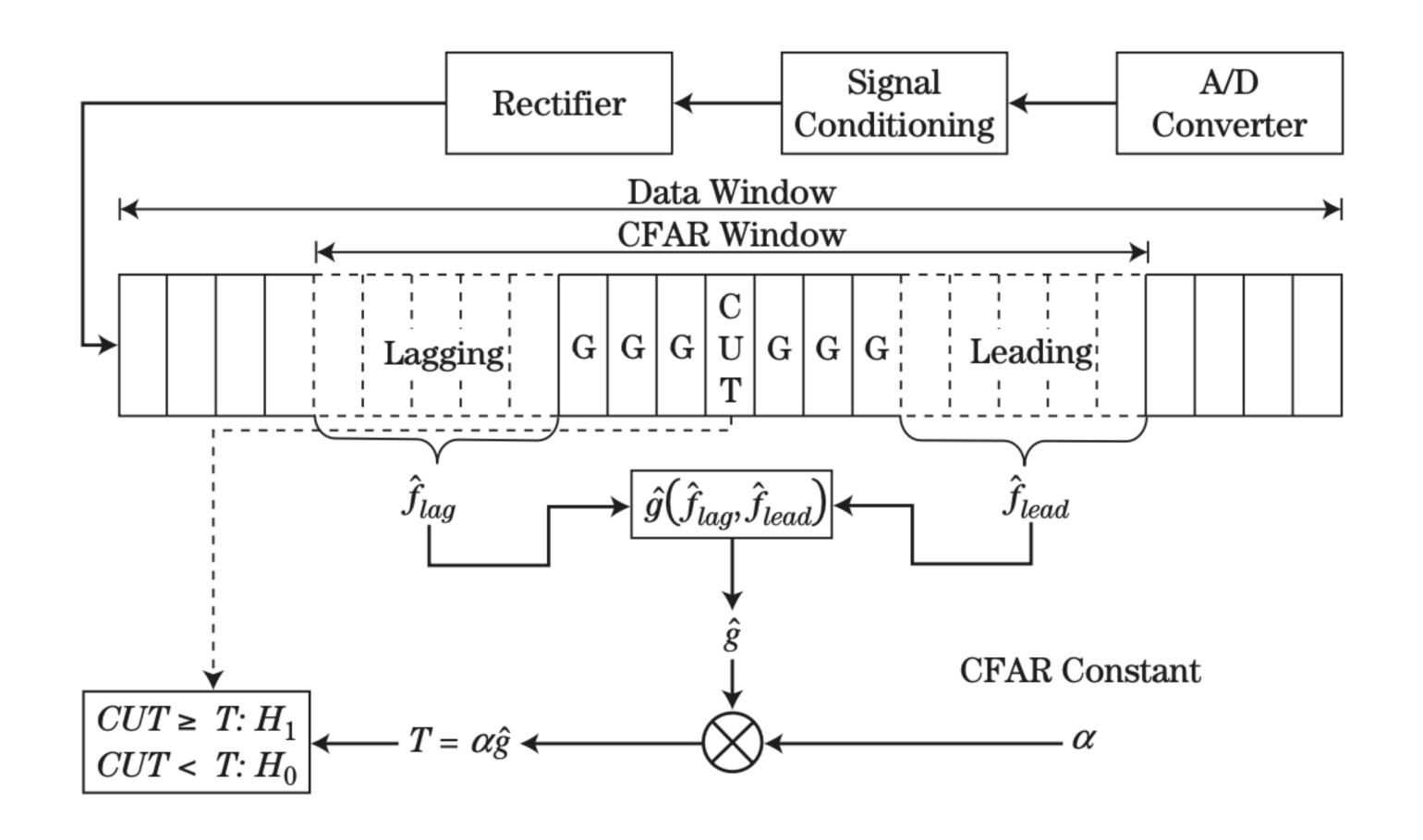
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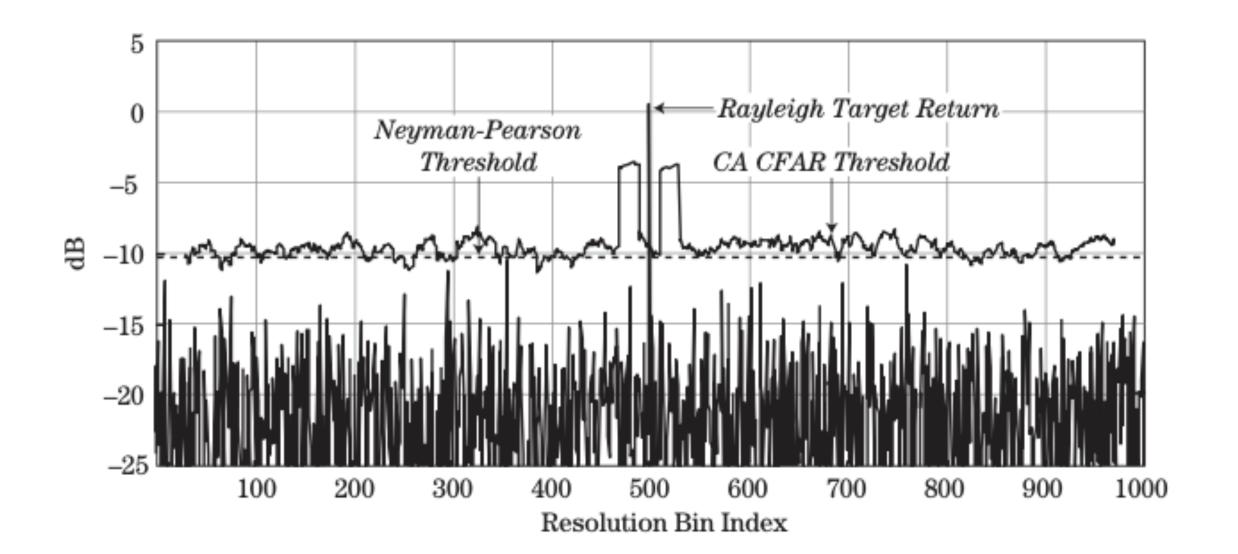
CFAR detectors estimate statistics of the interference from radar measurements and adjust the detector threshold to maintain a constant false alarm rate.

$$T = \alpha(P_{FA}) \cdot \hat{g}$$

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Cell Averaging (CA) CFAR



CA-CFAR's performance may degrade significantly in presence of interfering targets and clutter boundaries.

$$T = \alpha_{CA}(P_{FA}) \cdot \hat{g_{CA}}(z)$$

$$\alpha_{CA}(P_{FA}) = N \left[P_{FA}^{-1/N} - 1 \right]$$

$$\hat{g}_{CA}(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} z_n$$

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Greatest-Of (GO) CFAR

$$T = \alpha_{GO}(P_{FA}) \cdot \hat{g_{GO}}(z)$$

GO-CFAR reduces clutter edge false alarms.

$$\hat{g}_{GO}(z) = \max\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N/2} z_n, \sum_{n=N/2+1}^{N} z_n\right)$$

$$P_{FA-GO} = 2 \left(1 + \alpha_{GO}\right)^{-N/2} - 2 \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} {N/2 + k - 1 \choose k} \left(2 + \alpha_{GO}\right)^{-(N/2+k)}$$

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Smallest-Of (GO) CFAR

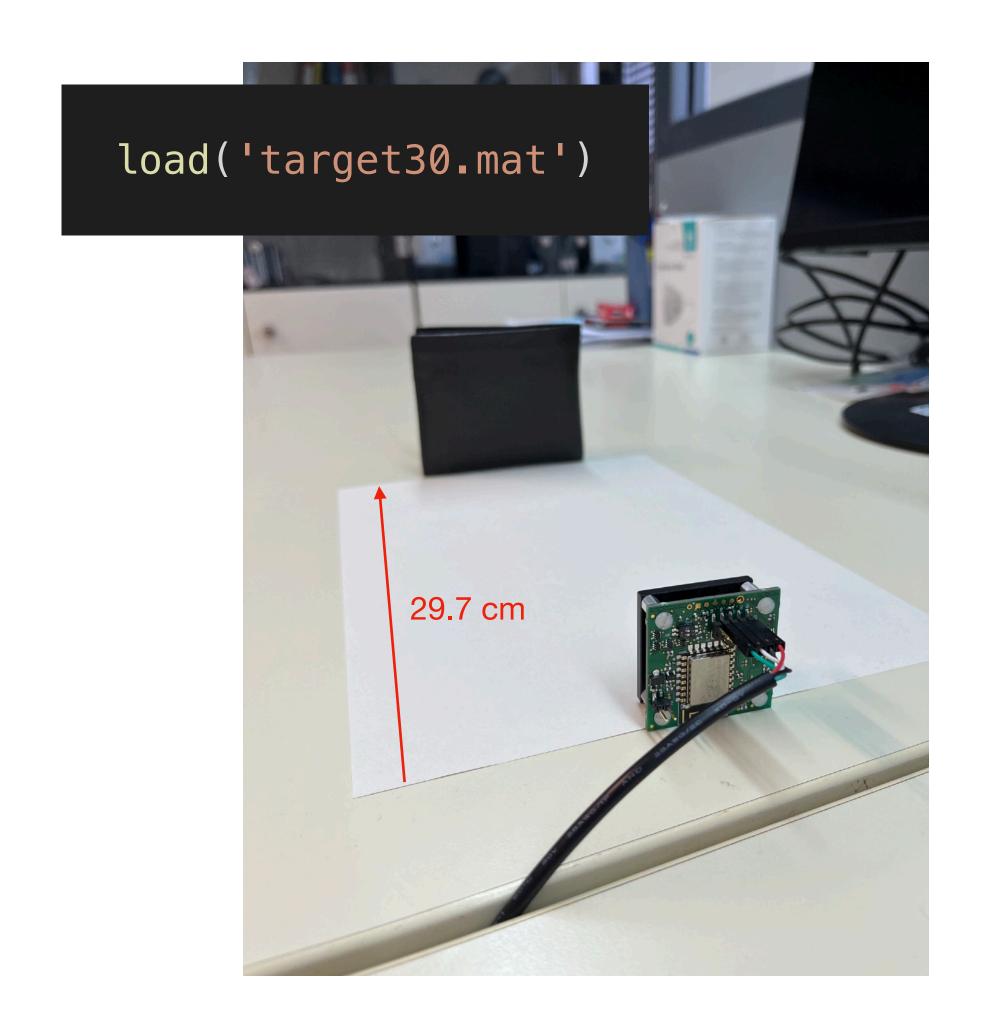
$$T = \alpha_{SO}(P_{FA}) \cdot \hat{g_{SO}}(z)$$

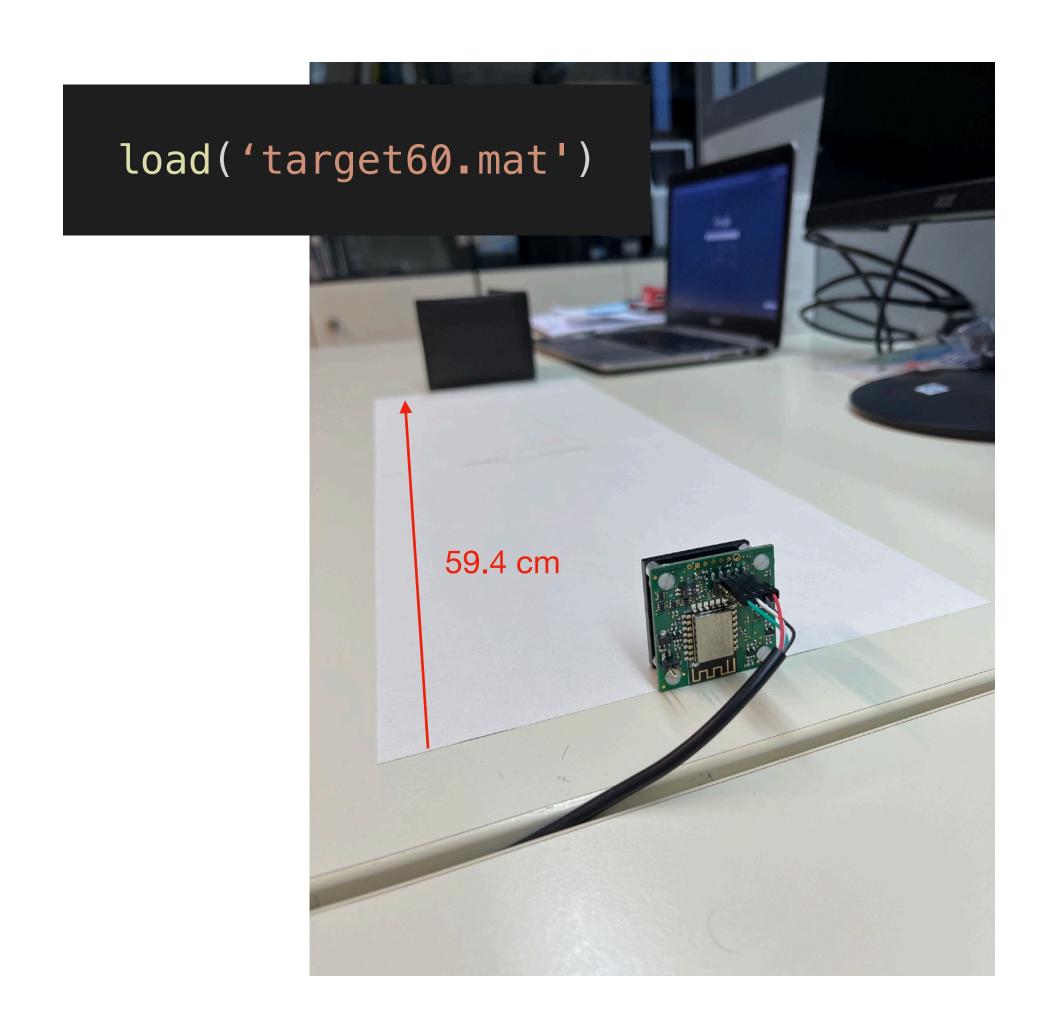
SO-CFAR addresses mutual target masking.

$$\hat{g}_{SO}(z) = \min\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N/2} z_n, \sum_{n=N/2+1}^{N} z_n\right)$$

$$P_{FA-SO} = 2 \left(2 + \alpha_{SO}\right)^{-N/2} \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} {N/2 + k - 1 \choose k} \left(2 + \alpha_{SO}\right)^{-k}$$

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