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The book covers microwave sounding of the atmosphere, passive imaging and synthetic aperture radar. This book is aimed at students who have some technical remote sensing background but are looking to get to grips with why microwave systems are different and to understand the core principles that are exploited to make measurements of the Earth system.

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