

Special Issue

Physical-Layer Security in Drone Communications

Message from the Guest Editors

Drone communications face increased vulnerability to impersonation and eavesdropping. Physical-layer security (PLS) offers high security and low complexity. This Special Issue explores PLS solutions for drone communications, including:

- Physical-layer wireless key generations in drone communications;
- Radio frequency fingerprinting of drones and legacy authentication;
- Wireless channel feature-based legacy authentication in drone communications;
- 3D beamforming-based secrecy enhancements in drone communications;
- Imperfect knowledge from eavesdropper-related issues;
- Drone jitter and its impacts on PLS;
- Security and beneficial trajectory design of drones;
- Relay and jamming-assisted PLS drone communications;
- Experimental methodology and designs in PLS drone communications;
- Field tests related to PLS of drone communications.

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