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Remote sensing data are often degraded owing to many factors, such as various types of noise, blur, low resolution, system aberrations, sensor nonlinearities and malfunctions, atmospheric disturbances, and topography effects. These degradation mechanisms reduce the quality of the acquired data, making it difficult to extract useful information from them, as well as visual and automatic interpretations. As a result, application of powerful restoration and enhancement techniques to remote sensing data has been considerable widened. The theoretical, conceptual, and algorithmic developments in the recent years in the areas of data modeling (e.g., sparse, non-local, low-rank, and self-similar representations, signal decompositions, and deep learning), optimization (e.g., proximity calculus in convex and non-convex optimizations, online optimization, stochastic optimization, and fast and parallel solvers), and statistical inference (e.g., proximal Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithms and high-dimensional Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo methods) have opened new opportunities for developing effective and efficient techniques to generate high-quality remote sensing data. This special issue is to provide a venue for publishing the most recent developed innovative methods and techniques for quality improvement of remote sensing data.

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- Despeckling
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- Image inpainting
- Image dodging
- Haze removal
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- Building shadow removal
- Dead pixel recovery
- Topographic correction
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