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The 2024 volume of the IEEE Journal on Multiscale and Multiphysics Computational Techniques (IEEE J-MMCT) will include a special section dedicated to ‘Deep Learning-based Forward and Inverse Electromagnetic Characterization’. Recent advances in artificial intelligence and deep learning (DL) techniques have drastically affected the pace and innovation in many branches of computational sciences and engineering. Particularly in applied and computational electromagnetics (EM), state-of-the-art DL techniques have been widely applied to a plethora of forward and inverse EM problems. Such applications have been transformative for a variety of purposes, including reduced-order and surrogate modeling for reduced computational cost, inversion for imaging, detection, and classification, as well as inverse generative design and optimization for synthesis and discovery. With the help of the DL techniques, forward EM characterization is now doable in a glimpse of an eye, which has been a utopia when only traditional physics-based forward solvers existed. Moreover, inverse EM characterization has never been performed as fast and accurately as achieved by the DL techniques before. This special section aims to compile the latest achievements and pioneering studies in applying DL techniques to forward and inverse EM characterization. Particular attention will be paid to applications of the popular DL algorithms, including, but not limited to, graph neural networks, convolutional neural networks, recurrent neural networks, long short-term memory networks, multilayer perceptrons, autoencoders, generative adversarial networks, variational autoencoders, transformer, and residual networks. In specific, the section will focus on the studies applying these techniques and other DL techniques to the popular forward and inverse EM characterization, which include, but are not limited to:

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- c) Multiscale and multiphysics EM analyses
- d) Inverse problems for imaging, non-destructive testing, and geophysical exploration
- e) Antenna, microwave circuit, and photonic device design and optimization
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