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HRRT_U 1.1 Release notes

HRRT_U 1.1 is a new software release replacing 1.0 release and 1.0.1 patch. The release is a self-install executable HRRT_U_1.1_install.exe. The main purpose of this version is to provide: Cologne specific gantry support, span 3 processing on 64bit, a new Component-Based Normalization (CBN) with corrections for reported artifacts in previous evaluation versions, and an optimized 3DRP reconstruction.

Program	HRRT_U 1.0	HRRT_U 1.0.1	HRRT_U 1.1
Calcringroiratio.exe	Aug 7 2008 16:42:02		
clc_u.exe	Aug 11 2008 13:08:09		Jul 17 13:17:40 2009
Clcrecon.exe	Oct 6 2008 16:46:32		
clq_u.exe	Aug 11 2008 09:02:37		
CorrectRun_u.exe	Aug 30 2008 11:55:09		
Daily_QC.exe	Oct 25 2008 14:44:00		
e7_atten_u.exe	Oct 25 2008 16:13:13		Sep 27 2009 11:51:15
e7_fwd_u.exe	Aug 5 2008 11:23:35		Sep 27 2009 11:51:15
e7_sino_u.exe	Aug 26 2008 10:02:04		Nov 11 2009 15:00:32
Gen_delays.exe	Nov 11 2008 15:51:54	Dec 22 2008 11:30:34	Jul 16 2009 15:01:04
Gen_delays_x64.exe			Jul 17 2009 12:39:16
hrrt_osem3d_x64.exe	Nov 17 2008 09:09:58	Dec 22 2008 16:55:20	Oct 24 2009 23:58:07
hrrt_osem3d.exe	Nov 17 2008 09:08:35	Dec 22 2008 16:26:13	Oct 24 2009 23:58:18
hrrt_rebinner_lut.exe	Nov 12 2008 18:26:39		Jul 16 2009 12:42:17
If2e7.exe	Oct 6 2008 18:24:14		Jul 30 16:38:49 2009
lmhistogram_u.exe	Aug 7 2008 16:17:39	Jan 11 2009 18:04:44	Nov 12 2009 12:48:23
lmhistogram_u_x64.exe			Nov 12 2009 12:48:43
norm_process.exe	Nov 13 2008 21:50:42		Oct 16 2009 11:45:43
norm_process_x64.exe			Oct 16 2009 11:45:33
ReconGUI_u.exe	Nov 21 2008 12:28:12	Jan 19 2009 16:58:37	Jul 28 2009 12:02:51
TX_TV3DReg.exe	Oct 27 2008 10:10:00		
Ecat2dicom.exe		May 08 2008 18:00:00	
update_dicom.exe		Jan 22 2008 12:54:39	
gsmooth_u.exe			Aug 4 2009 16:31:32
ecat_3drp.exe			Nov 11 2009 12:01:03

ecat_3drp_x64.exe	Nov 11 2009 12:15:19
hrrt_sinocor.exe	Sep 26 2009 11:56:13
hrrt_sinocor_x64.exe	Sep 26 2009 11:56:20
hrrt_gapfill.exe	Jul 3 2009 18:55:29
hrrt_gapfill_x64.exe	Jul 3 2009 18:56:11
scanit_u.exe	Sep 26 2009 14:44:51
blockencode_1_0	Oct 19 2005
masknorm_1_0	Oct 19 2005
ch2bm	May 19 2005

Table 1: HRRT U 1.1 program versions

HRRT U 1.1 changes in existing components

- 1. Component-Based Normalization (norm_process) and Transmission scatter correction with Total Variation 3D Regularization (TX_TV3DReg) are now released. Corresponding abstracts (1) and (2) have been accepted for IEEE-MIC 2009 and can used as references when using these methods.
- 2. Lmhistogram_u and norm_process use rebinner LUTs to ensure the same result with 32bit and 64bit versions. They are faster and use less CPU ressources
- 3. Gsmooth_u is a modified version of gsmooth to support multi-frame ECAT file smoothing. Only the first frame was smoothed in gsmooth due to a bug in the code.
- 4. if2e7 default units are Bq/ml instead of kBq/ml
- 5. gen_delays: code change to include TX LUT and linux support, no functionality changes
- 6. hrrt_osem3d: span3 processing, apply normalization mask to prompt to remove artefacts when using normalization with masked blocks, dual logging to file and console. The normalization mask includes gaps and outliers set to 0 because the normalization factors are two high. The new reconstruction reduces noise from segments and gap border bins where normalization factors were thresholded (Figure 1).
- 7. hrrt rebinner lut: Added transmission LUT.
- 8. clc_u: new function (-P hostname) to report hostname time in milliseconds for time synchronization purpose.
- 9. e7_tools code was modified to support linux. e7_atten_u and e7_fwd_u were rebuilt after code modification without functionality change. e7_sino_u was modified to output the scatter fraction in the scatter interfile header (..h33). The scatter fraction is also written in the image header by hrrt_osem3d and in the corrected sinogram by hrrt_sinocor.
- 10. norm_process was modified to check input arguments and exit when an argument is invalid.

HRRT U 1.1 new utility programs (not documented in specifications)

1. blockencode_1_0: create as a listmode file with LORs through the specified block; the listmode can be histogramed to create a sinogram mask

- 2. masknorm_1_0: Creates a new normalization with masked block using the sinogram mask and an exiting norm.
- 3. ch2bm: creates a bitmap file from .ch file

HRRT U 1.1 Installation instructions

- 1.Make a copy of C:\CPS\USERS_SW directory
- 2.Launch HRRT_U_1.1_install.exe and follow the instructions. If a previous was installed, this un-installs it, re-execute the program to install the new version For 64bit, rename program.exe to program_x32.exe (e.g hrrt_osem3d.exe to hrrt_osem3d_x32.exe) and program_x64.exe to program.exe(e.g hrrt_osem3d_x64.exe to hrrt_osem3d.exe).
- 3.See cluster installation instructions for cluster configuration.

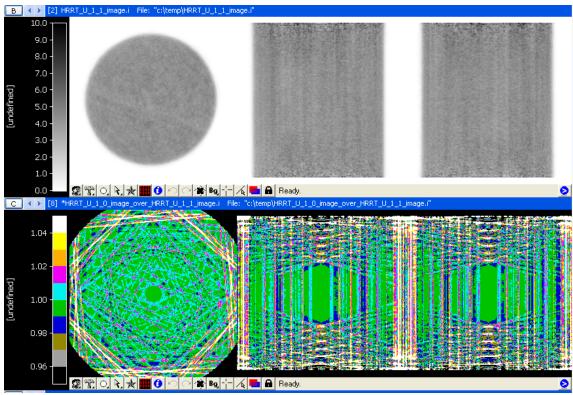


Figure 1: Differences between HRRT_U 1.1 and HRRT_U 1.0 reconstructions; HRRT_U 1.0 and. original CPS cluster reconstructions are identical.

References:

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- Based Normalization for the HRRT for Sinogram-mode reconstruction", IEEE MIC conference , Orlando, 2009, Conference Record M05-133
- (2) Merence Sibomana, Sune Høgild Keller, Søren Holm, Flemming Andersen, Claus Svarer and Liselotte Højgaard, "New Attenuation Correction for the HRRT Using Transmission Scatter Correction and Total Variation Regularization", IEEE MIC conference, Orlando, 2009, Conference Record M09-224