

**CHALLENGES: Health, demographic change and wellbeing**

**Productive sector: Health care**

## The Industrial Problem

In computer tomography the reconstructed CT images suffer from different types of errors causing artifacts, which may obstruct the proper diagnosis.

## Health care

### Numerical, Harmonic Analysis and Signal Processing

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Applied harmonic analysis, approximation theory, orthogonal transforms, numerical methods, discretization, fast algorithms, signal and image processing

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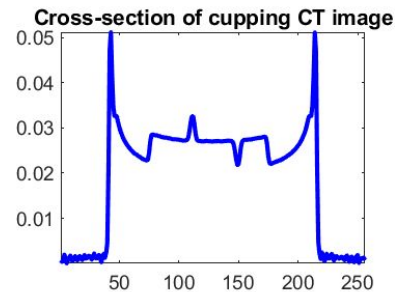
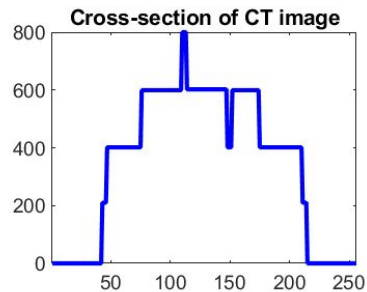
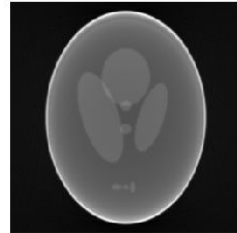
## Challenges & Goals

- To set up a suitable model
- To develop efficient optimization method for the system parameters
- To develop a method for cupping artifact reduction that beats state-of-the-art
- To support the calibration of CT equipments

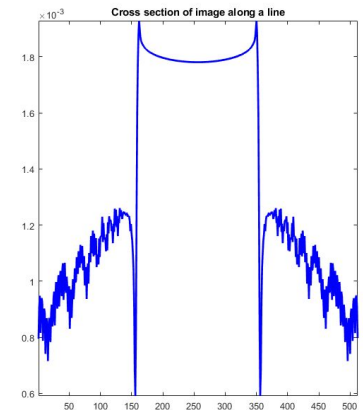
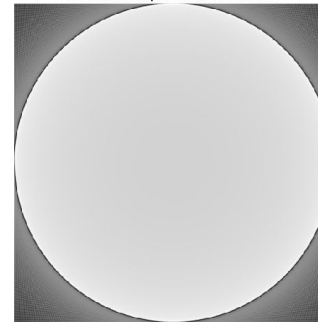
Phantom without cupping



Phantom with cupping



Simulated water phantom with BH artifacts

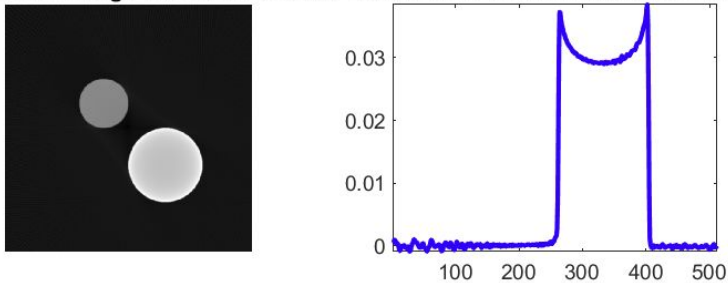


*Simulated phantoms with and without cupping artifacts*

## Mathematical and computational methods and techniques applied

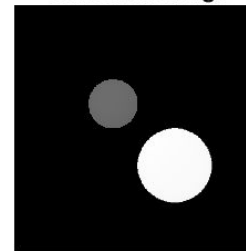
- Suitable reformulation of existing mathematical models
- Developing an efficient optimization method by using variable projections
- Numerical simulations performed on phantoms in the single and multi material cases
- Comparison with the state-of-the-art methods

Simulated CT image with two materials    Cross-section of simulated CT image

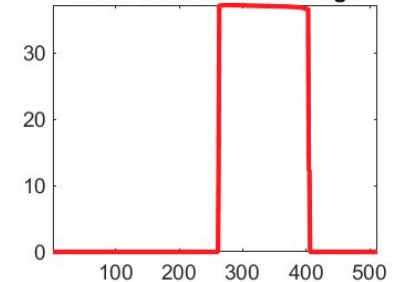


*Two materials with cupping*

Corrected image



Cross-section of CT image



*Removed cupping artifact*

## Results & Benefits to the company

- Results

New cupping artifact reduction method was developed

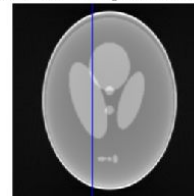
The proposed method is simpler and faster than existing methods

- Benefits

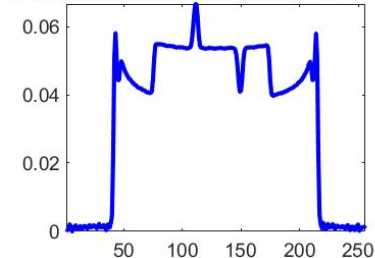
The single material algorithm supports calibration of CT equipments

The general case correction algorithms can be used correct artifact-ridden scans while the system is in day-to-day use.

Simulated CT image with two materials



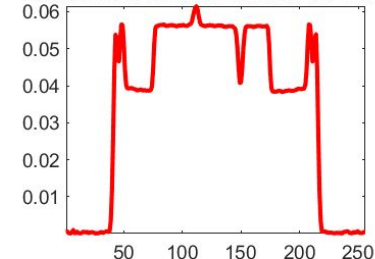
Cross-section of simulated CT image



Approximation after iteration:3



Cross-section of simulated CT image



*Approximating CT images with cupping artifacts*

An efficient method was developed for the reduction of the so-called cupping artifacts caused by beam hardening on CT images