# Standardization of diagnostic images

## - How DICOM works with Dental -

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#### preface

- This presentation is made to introduce
  - the basics of DICOM Standard which is already a de-facto standard in medical imaging industry.
  - how standards help you work smoothly in your environment.
  - Some other guidelines to standardize your work environment.

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## 1) What DICOM defines

## 2) Application of DICOM to Dental vs. mammography

## 3) Other related Standards

- Digital Imaging and COmmunication in Medicine
- Medical equipment vendors and users world-wide contribute the progress of DICOM standard, and it is officially supported by NEMA,USA.
- Corrections and Supplements are accepted any time, and the latest version including them is issued every year as DICOM2008, DICOM2009,,,,,
- DICOM standard is written in English, and the Japanese translation is located at JIRA homepage.

#### **Contribution from Japan**

#### **DSC: DICOM Standard Committee**



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#### **DICOM Standards**

#### MITA: http://medical.nema.org/



Location

#### **DICOM Standards**

#### Japanese translation

#### **JIRA Home-page**

#### http://www.jira-net.or.jp/index.htm



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### DICOM Standard example (MR image tags)

#### **IMAGE STORAGE from MR to PACS**

(0000,0100)	Command Field	1 0x0001 C-STORE-RQ
(0008,0005)	Specific Character Set	"¥ISO 2022 IR 87 "
(0008,0008)	Image Type	"DERIVED¥PRIMARY¥OTHER "
(0008,0016)	SOP Class UID	"1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.4 "
(0008,0018)	SOP Instance UID	"1.2.840.113701.4.2.9673.0.14415.0.1 "
(0008,0020)	Study Date	"20110527"
(0008,0030)	Study Time	"123000"
(0008,0050)	Accession Number	"201105270203451"
(0008,0060)	Modality	"MR"
(0010,0010)	Patient's Name	" <b>緊急</b> S222"
(0010,0020)	Patient ID	"1048010120"
(0018,0087)	Magnetic Field Strength	"0.35"

(7FE0,0010) Pixel Data

524288Bytes

IMAGE STORAGE response from PACS						
(0000,0100)	Command Field	32769 0x8001 C-STORE-RSP				
(0000,0900)	Status	"0 0x0000"				

#### **MWM-SCU requests scheduled exam information**

(0010,0010)	Patient's Name	0	
(0010,0020)	Patient ID	0	
(0010,0030)	Patient's Birth Date	0	
(0010,0040)	Patient's Sex	0	
(0040,0002)	Start Date	18	"20110527-20110527"
(0040,0003)	Start Time	12	"000000-235959 "

MWM-SCP returns patient information							
(0010,0010)	Patient's Name	18	" testdata^inpatient"				
(0010,0020)	Patient ID	10	"0000010508"				
(0010,0030)	Patient's Birth Date	8	"19750520"				
(0010,0040)	Patient's Sex	2	"M "				
(0040,0002)	Start Date	8	"20110527"				
(0040,0003)	Start Time	6	"094500"				

- PS 3.3 defines information objects.
  - DICOM defines all activities with combination of Service and Object Pairs (SOP)
  - Defined objects are found in PS3.3 contents page.

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**PS 3.4** 

- PS3.4 defines Services.
  - DICOM defines all activities with combination of Service and Object (SOP)
  - Defined services are found in PS3.4 contents page.
  - Service is activated by Service Class User (SCU), and responded by Service Class Provider (SCP).
  - each SOP is numbered for easy acknowledgement. (SOP Class UID)
    - MR Image Storage : 1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.1.2
    - IO Image Storage : 1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.1.3

#### – each object is numbered with unique ID ( SOP Instance UID)

#### **DICOM Standard**

 Each system needs to declare which DICOM SOP classes are supported in it.



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#### **DICOM Standard**

**Object structure** 

 PS3.5 defines the structure and representation of objects.
SOP Instance UID (0008.0018) always

#### Image Object

## SOP Common Module

Image Info. Module

Image Pixel Module

SOP Instance UID	(0008,0018)	always				
SOP Class UID	(0008,0016)	always				
:						
Patient Mo	Patient Module					
Patient Name	(0010,0010)	optional	PN			
Patient ID	(0010,0020)	optional	LO			
Patient Birth date	(0010,0030)	optional	DA			

#### Image Info. Module

set of specific information tags required to each object (modality)

#### **Pixel Module**

Pixel Data

(7FE0,0010)

OW

always

 Mammography and Oral images are defined as Objects in DICOM

	Mammo images	Dental images
# of objects	2 (R/L)	32 max.(4
		quadrants)
# of images	2 or 4	3 to 14
imaging method	standardized	local standard
display method	standardized	local standard
object	MG (CR)	IO (CR)

#### Info. module of MG images (Mammography)

	ir	#2	#3	#4				
name	tag	value						
image type	(0008,0008	MG	MG	MG	MG			
image laterality	(0020,0062	RIGHT	LEFT	RIGHT	LEFT			
	)		yes	yes	yes			
view code	(0054,0220 )	yes	R-10226	R-10242	R-10242			
>code value	(0008,0100	R-10226	SNM3	SNM3	SNM3			
	)		MLO	CC	CC			
>code designator	(0008,0102	SNM3		00				
) >code meaninges how images should be taken.								
It also defines how these images should be aligned on the monitor screen.								

#### SNM ?

- SNOMED Ver3
- (Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine)

IHTSDO (International Health Terminology Standards Development Organization) maintains medical terminology with HWO. http://www.ihtsdo.org/

Typical Imaging Technique: MLO & CC Typical Display format: MLO(R/L) + CC(R/L) Standardized by : SNM

MLO: medio-lateral oblique 内外斜位方向

CC: cephalad cranial 頭尾方向 MLO MLO CC CC RIGHT LEFT RIGHT LEFT

Mammo images



- Mammo images
- The method of taking and displaying mammography images is standardized.
  - same # of images per exam.
  - same imaging method ( exposure angle )
  - same display format.
  - they are controlled / maintained by proper society and international standardization organization.
- DICOM can refer these external standards and make use of standardized imaging method and display format.

- DICOM data structure
  - Image information module
    - CR : No tags to specify how to take and display images (CR is used in various exams, there is no standard)
    - MG : SNM defines how to take and display images And there are tags to specify these.
      ( pretty much standardized exam)
    - IO : There are tags to specify these.... but none defines how to take and display images.

#### **Typical CR image Information tags**

attribute	TAG	example
Photometric Interpretation	(0028,0004)	MONOCHROME2
kV	(0018,0060)	150
mA	(0018,1151)	80
Cassette Size	(0018,1403)	35CMX43CM

If a Intra-Oral image (IO) is taken by CR,

these tags are added to the image.

name	tag	value
Positioner type	(0018,1508)	CEPHALOSTAT
image laterality	(0020,0062)	RIGHT
anatomic region sequence	(0008,2218)	11
code sequence macro		yes
>coding scheme designator	(0008,0102)	ISO 3950-1984
>primary anatomic structure seq.	(0008,2228)	11¥12¥13

 Image Info. module contains modality-specific information. By using it, post-processing or display format can be automatically defined IF THERE IS A STANDARD and DATA IS THERE.

## So, What is defined as a standard in DICOM related to DENTAL ?

Dental

If dental images are taken as CR (not IO),

the position (anatomic region resolution) will be one of RIGHT / BOTH / LEFT.

BUT WE NEED MORE RESOLUTION ! teeth by teeth



If these images are taken as CR, there is no tag to tell upper or lower teeth.

### DICOM accepts teeth indexing method. That is ISO 3950-1984.

Problem No1: Each domain uses local naming system.





Problem No2:

- Which image in the set covers which tooth is not standardized. (physical size, overlap, missing ones)
- Also its variety is not registered / maintained (internationally)



• what is IDEAL ?

## These 10 images must align to correct position AUTOMATICALLY. (By using some tag info.)



- Dental
- To automatically display these images in correct order, there must be some info. to tell...
  - (1) Which imaging method is used
    - 10-image / 14-image / etc
  - (2) image index according to (1)
    - 01-05/11-15 in 10-image method



If we add some new tags to DICOM... (0008,22XX) : Imaging method (10-image/14image..)

- (0008,22YY) : Image position index
- (0008,2228) : Anatomic Structure Sequence

tag	data	dat	a	data	data	data
(0008,0008)	ΙΟ	ΙΟ		ΙΟ	Ю	Ю
(0020,0062)	RIGHT	RIG	HT	BOTH	LEFT	LEFT
(0008,2218)	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes
>(0008,22XX)	IMG10	IMO	610	IMG10	IMG10	IMG10
>(0008,22YY)	01	02		03	04	05
>(0008,2228)	18¥17¥	15¥	14¥	12¥11¥	22¥23¥	25¥26¥
	16¥15	13¥	12	21¥22	24¥25	27¥28

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tag	data	data	data	data	data
(0008,0008)	Ю	ΙΟ	ΙΟ	ΙΟ	ΙΟ
(0020,0062)	RIGHT	RIGHT	BOTH	LEFT	LEFT
(0008,2218)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
>(0008,22XX)	IMG10	IMG10	IMG10	IMG10	IMG10
>(0008,22YY)	01	02	03	04	05
>(0008,2228)	18¥17¥	15¥14¥	12¥11¥	22¥23¥	25¥26¥
	10#15	13 <b>¥12</b>	ZIŦZZ	24 <b></b> <del>7</del> 25	2/ <b>‡</b> 28

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And if teeth index are somehow entered in

(0008,2228) Primary Anatomic Structure Sequence,

you can find which image each teeth is imaged in.

This information can be used to find/retrieve images of specific teeth.

PROBLEM : How to detect and index each teeth in an image.

tag	data
(0008,0008)	Ю
(0020,0062)	RIGHT
(0008,2218)	yes
>(0008,22XX)	IMG10
>(0008,22YY)	01
>(0008,2228)	18¥17¥16¥15



- We need to do these AUTOMATICALLY
  - set imaging method (10-image, 14-image,,)
  - set image index number (out of 10/14 images)
  - set tooth index number (out of 32 teeth)
  - and enable all related equipments to handle these information.
- Then all Intra-oral images will be displayed correctly on monitor. And the same tooth in previous exam can be found (retrieved).

## **Other related Standards**

- (1) IHE : Integrating Healthcare Enterprise
  - IHE is NPO from medical and manufacturers.
  - IHE defines many profiles.
    - (standardized relationship of related personnel (Actor) and information (Object))
  - Profiles are created from practical routine work.

Some profiles can be applied to dental procedures.

- Scheduled Workflow (SWF)
- Consistent Presentation of Images (CPI)
- Portable Data for Imaging (PDI) and more

**IHE** proti

### **Other related Standards**

- Profiles defined by IHE are found at
  - IHE homepage <u>http://www.ihe.net/</u>
  - Japanese translation

http://www.ihe-j.org/links/index.html

**IHE** profile

#### FIN

- 1) DICOM defines most of medical image format, and its communication method.
- 2) Dental images has wide variety of taking images, and showing them, mainly due to physical diversity. This makes it difficult to standardize the exam.
- 3) DICOM provides tags to arrange images on monitor, or specify each small structure.
- 4) DICOM can refer external standards to coordinate with them.