

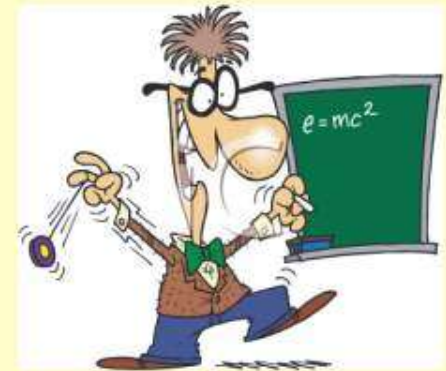
A Collaborative Model of Medical Physics Education Including Online Resources



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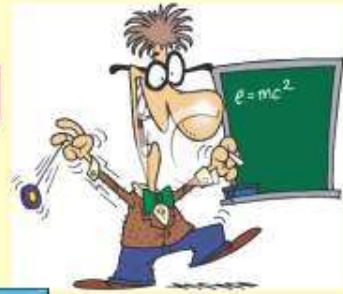
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of medical physics education:**

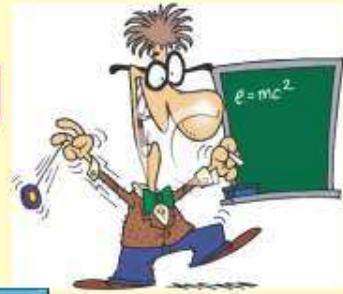
Visualization

Interactivity with Feedback

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**Enhancing the performance
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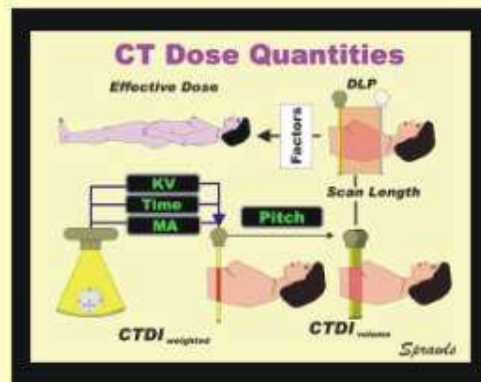
**Enriches learning activities
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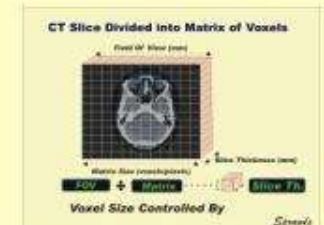
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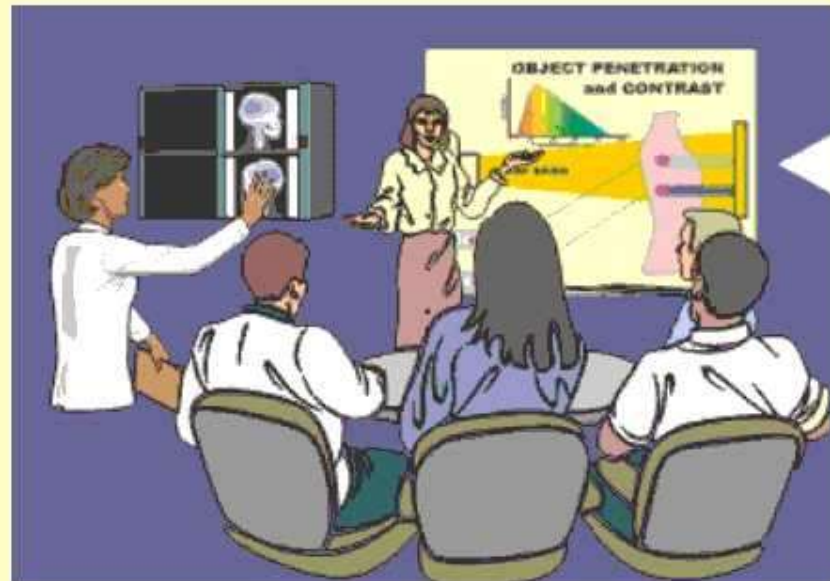
The Traditional Classroom

“ A Box for Enclosing Students...”



**And hiding them from the world
about which they should learning.**

Rich Classroom and Conference Learning Activities



Visuals

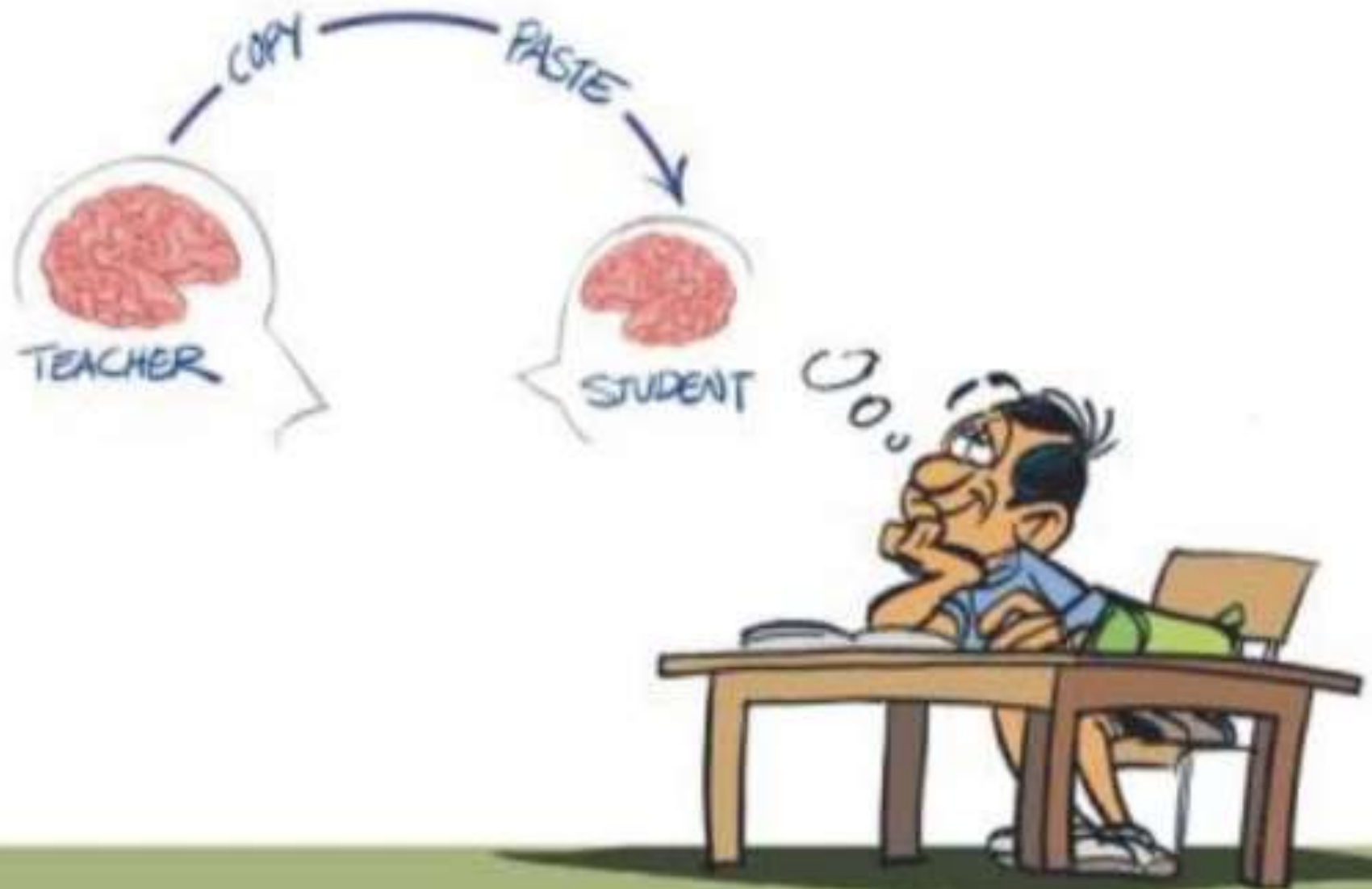
Representations
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Learning Facilitator “Teacher”

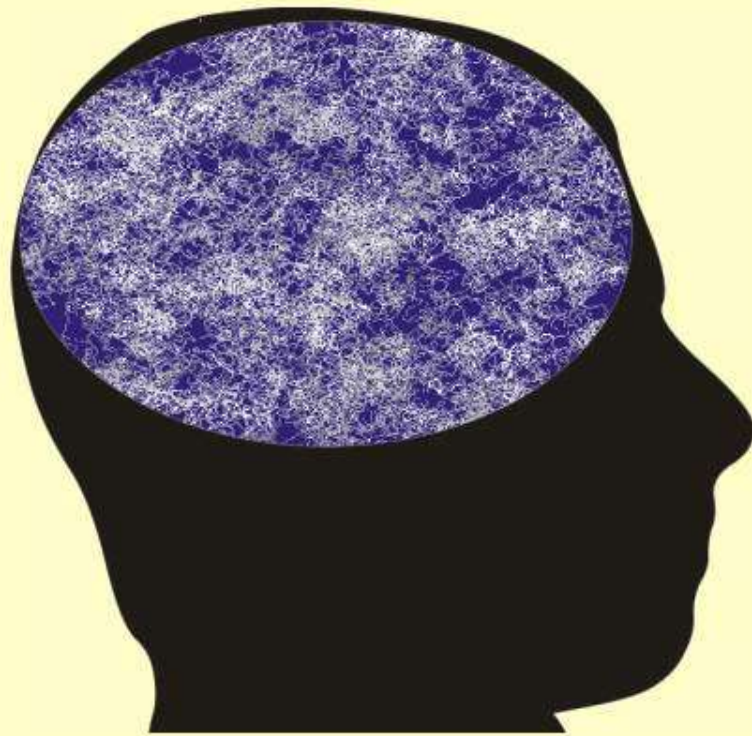
Organize and Guide the Learning Activity
Share Experience and Knowledge
Explain and Interpret What is Viewed
Motivate and Engage Learners

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Teaching Physics **Is Not**



Learning Medical Physics **is**

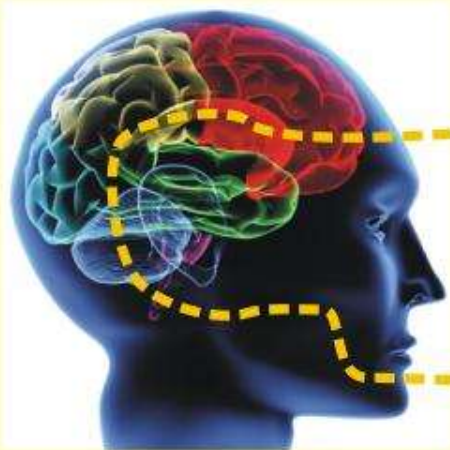


**Building a Knowledge Structure
in the Mind**

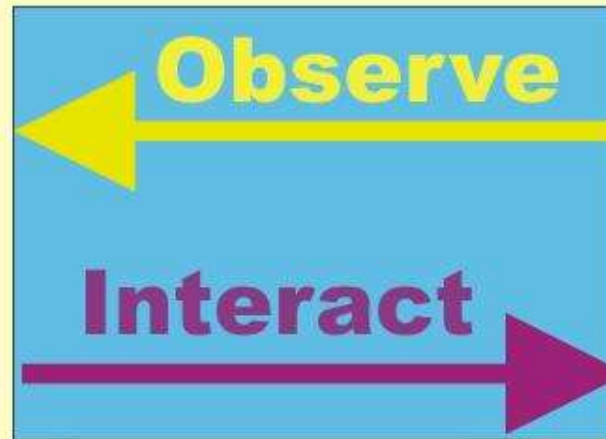
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The Elements of A Highly Effective Educational Session

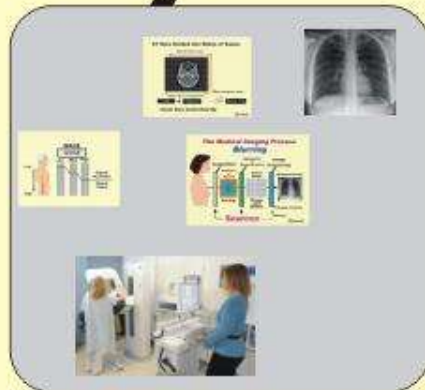
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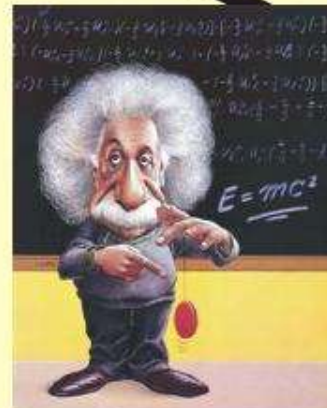
Connection



The Physical Universe
(Physics of Medical Imaging)



“Window”



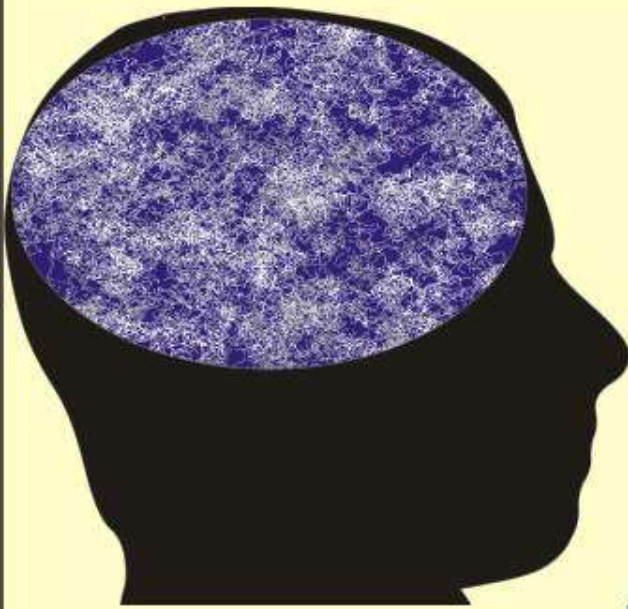
**Teacher
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Teaching Medical Physics

Medical Physics Universe

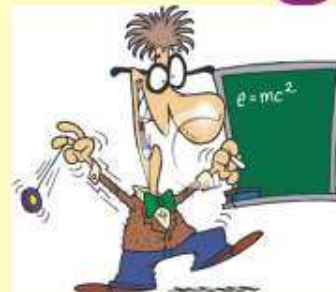
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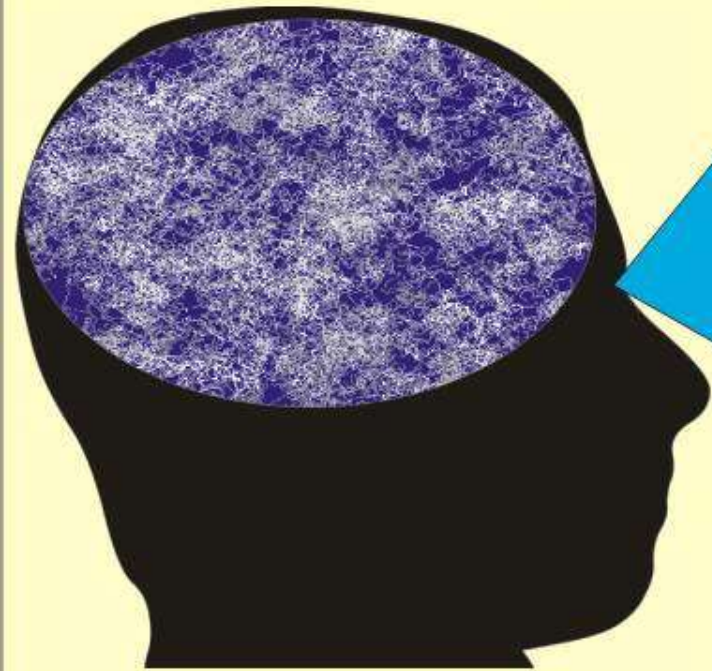
Guide the Learning Process

Teacher must



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A Traditional “Window” to the Physical Universe

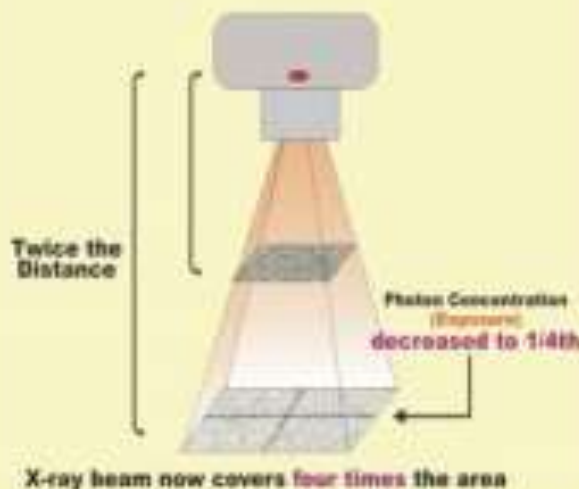


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The Physical Universe



The inverse square law is.....



The Inverse Square Law

$$\frac{I_1}{(d_1)^2} = \frac{I_2}{(d_2)^2}$$

I_1 is the initial intensity of radiation, d_1 is the initial distance, and I_2 is the final intensity, and d_2 is the final distance.

Verbal

Sensory

Mathematical

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The **Collaborative Teaching** Model

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**Enhance the performance
of physics faculty**



**Knowledge
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Resource Physicist

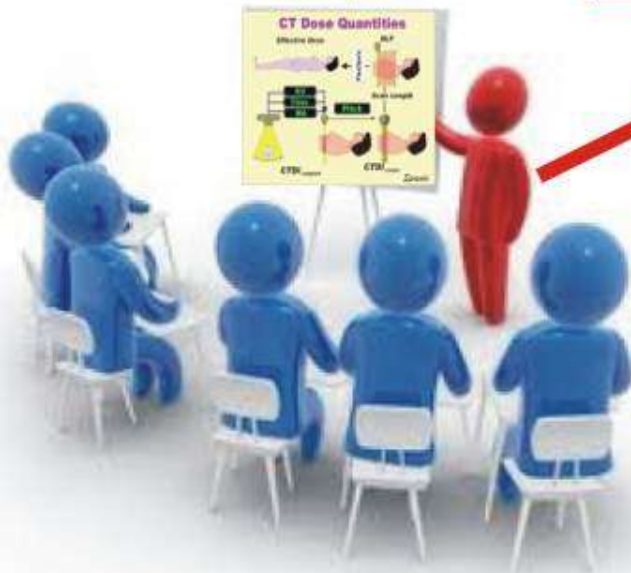
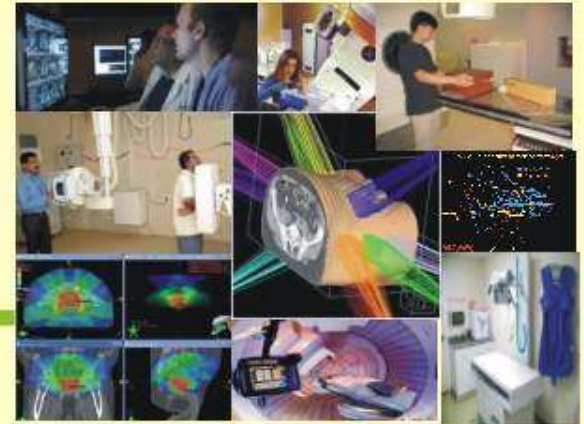


Create visuals and related resources

Share with the World



Medical Physics Universe



Local Physicist
Organizes
Guides
Shares Experience
Motivates
Role Model

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Collaborative Teaching is Sharing Experience, Perspectives, and Opportunities

Physicist



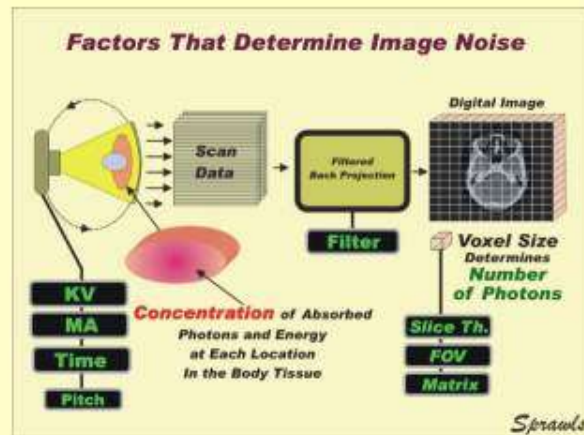
Radiologist



Clinical Applications



Radiology Residents



Principles and Concepts

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The Physical Principles of Medical Imaging



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Mammography Physics and Technology

for effective clinical imaging

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Outline

Mind Map

Learning Objectives

Visuals for Discussion

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Imaging Objectives	Rhodium Anode	Blurring and Visibility of Detail
Visibility of Pathology	KV Values for Mammography	Focal Spot Blurring
Image Quality Characteristics	Scattered Radiation and Contrast	Receptor Blurring
Not a Perfect Image	Image Exposure Histogram	Composite Blurring
Mammography Technology	Receptor & Display Systems	Magnification Mammography
Imaging Technique Factors	Film Contrast Transfer	Mean Glandular Dose
Contrast Sensitivity	Film Contrast Factors	
Physical Contrast Compared	Film Design for Mammography	
Factors Affecting Contrast Sensitivity	Controlling Receptor (Film) Exposure	
X-Ray Penetration and Contrast	Film Processing	
Optimum X-Ray Spectrum	Variations in Receptor Sensitivity	
Effect of Breast Size	Film Viewing Conditions	





Visuals

to be used by

Physicists in Classroom and Conference Discussions



Visuals

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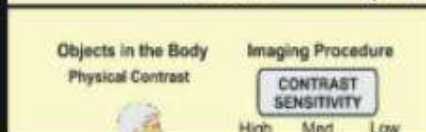
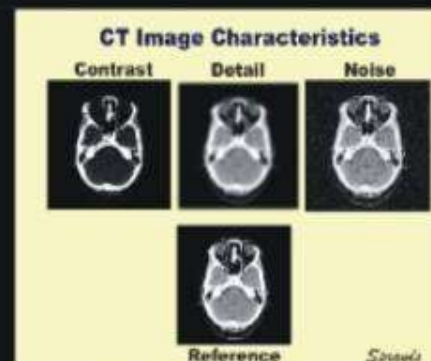
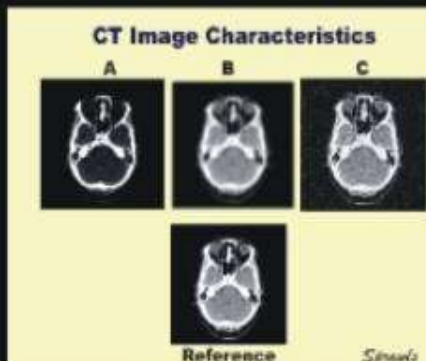
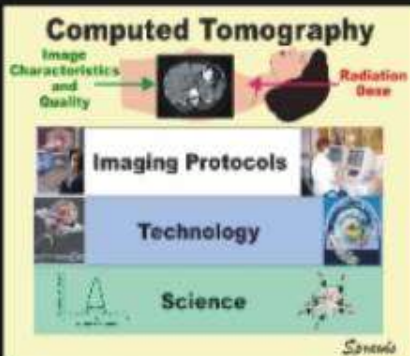
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Computed Tomography Image Quality Optimization and Dose Management

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Modules for Self Study and Collaborative Learning in the Clinic



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Introduction and Overview	Image Quality Characteristics	Contrast Sensitivity
Visibility of Detail	Visual Noise	Spatial (Geometric) Characteristics
Artifacts	Identifying Characteristics	Characteristics Identified
Image Quality and Dose	CT Image Formation Process	The Scanning Motions
Views and Rays	Multiple Row Detectors	Helical and Spiral Scanning
Image Reconstruction and Voxels	CT Numbers	Hounsfield Unit Scale
Optimizing CT Procedures	Absorbed Dose	Dose Distribution Within Patient
CT Dose Index (CTDI)	Weighted CTDI	Volume CTDI
Dose for Multiple Slices	Dose Length Product (DLP)	Effective Dose
Summary of CT Dose Quantities	Factors That Determine Dose	Factors Affecting Image Detail
Measuring CT Image Noise	Controlling Image Noise	Visual Sinus Compensation

Effective Medical Imaging Physics Learning **...In The Clinic**

The Real World **Motivating** **Interactive** **Collaborative**



The Physicist Provides:
Learning Modules & Collaboration

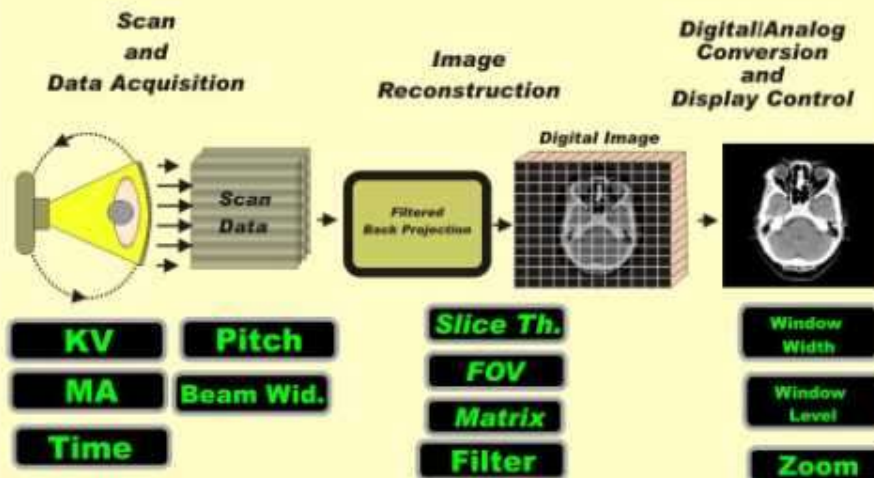
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Visuals for Learning and Teaching

The Imaging Process

Clinical Images

The Three Phases of CT Image Formation



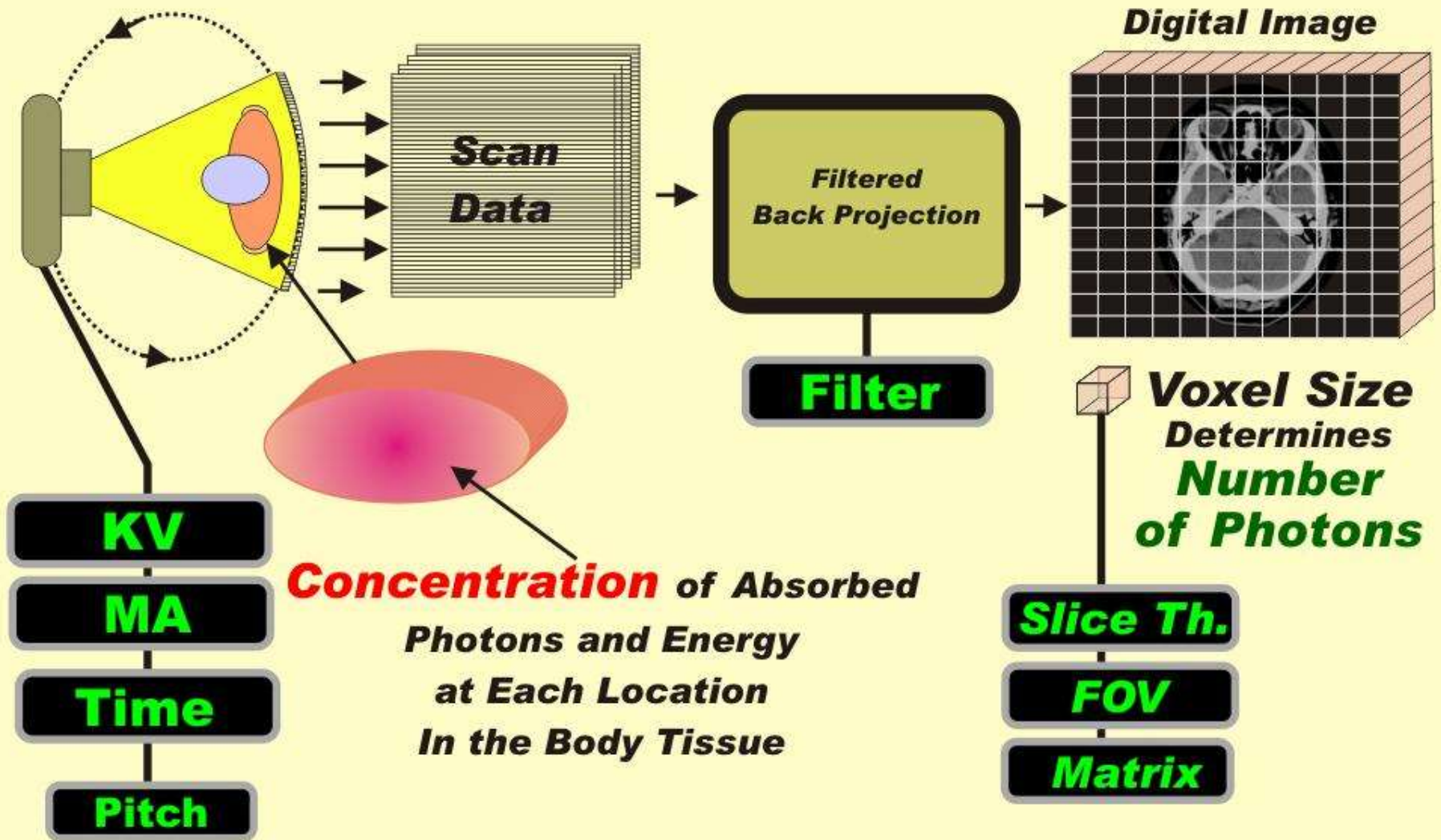
Major Control Factors

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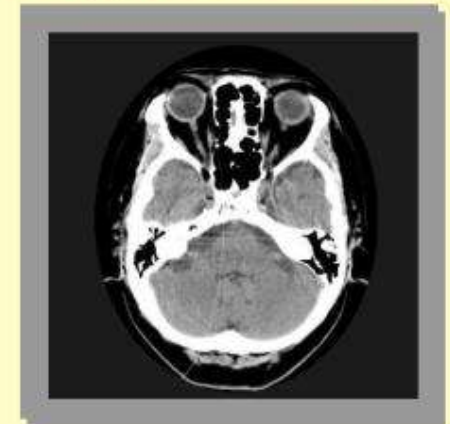
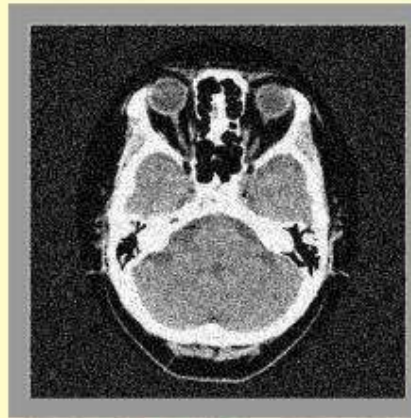
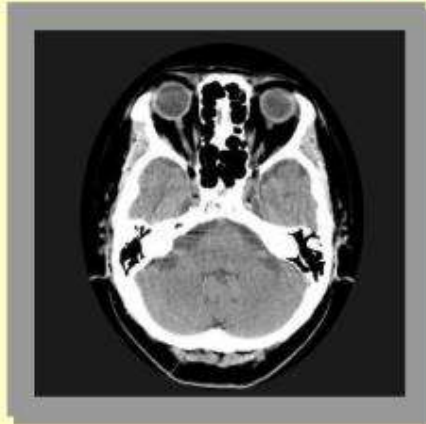
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Factors That Determine Image Noise



Relationship of Radiation Dose to Image Detail

Lower Dose **Higher Dose**



**When detail
is increased
by**

Decreasing

Slice Th.

Increasing

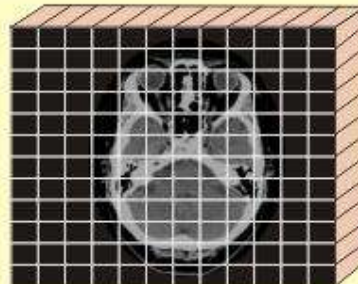
Matrix

Decreasing

FOV

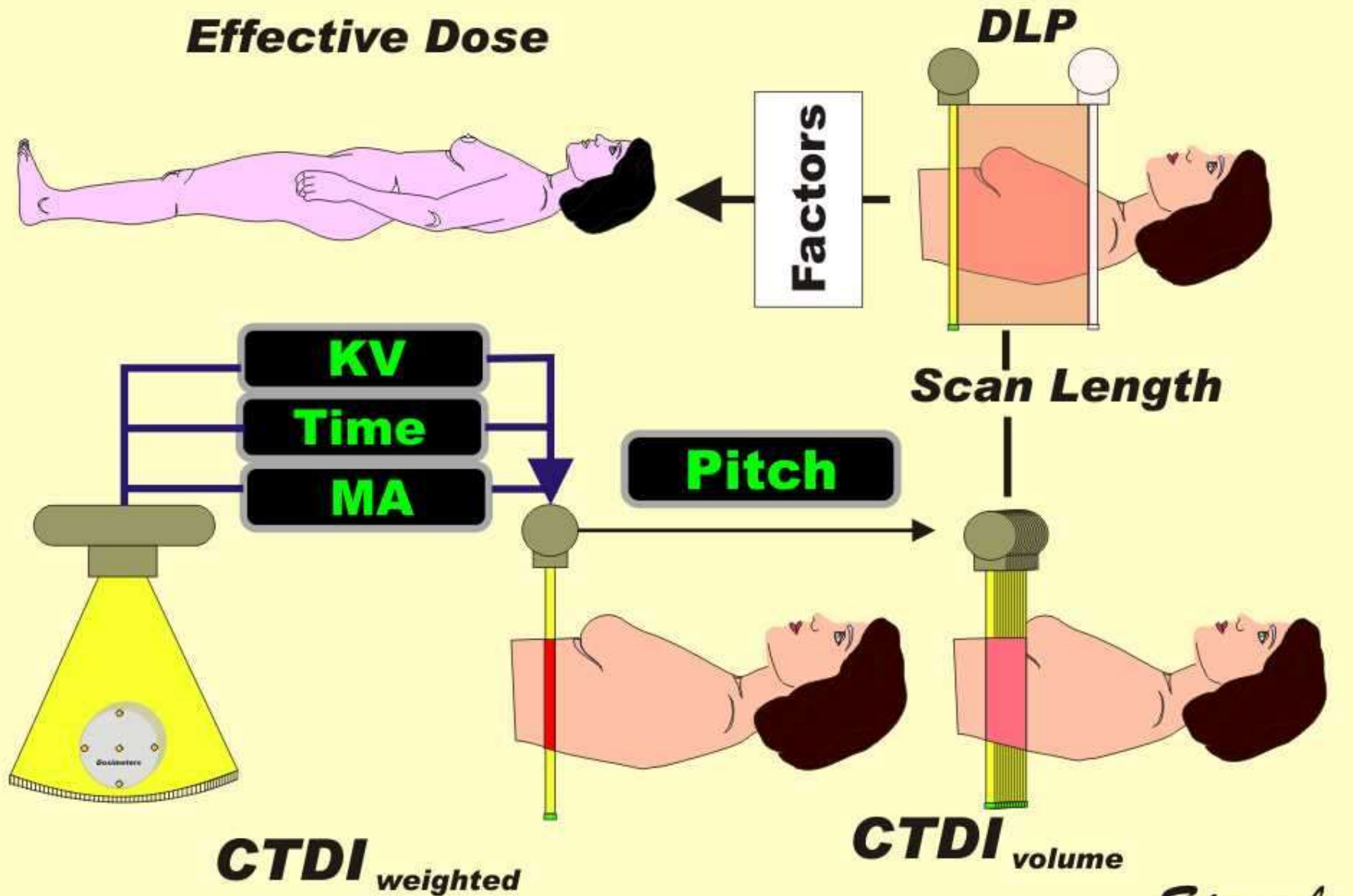
**Noise
Increases**

**Because of
decreased
voxel size**



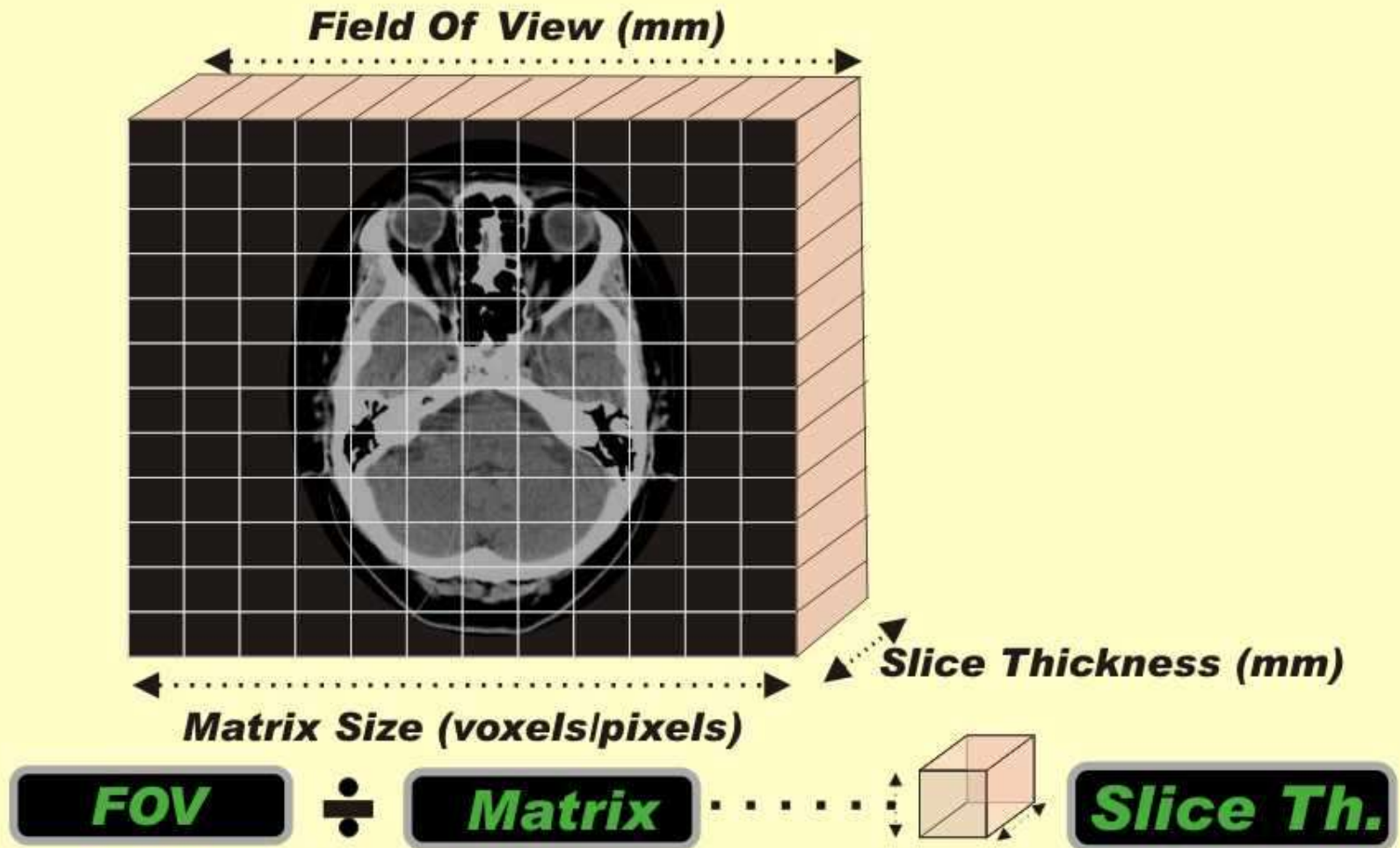
**Dose
must be
increased
to
reduce noise.**

CT Dose Quantities



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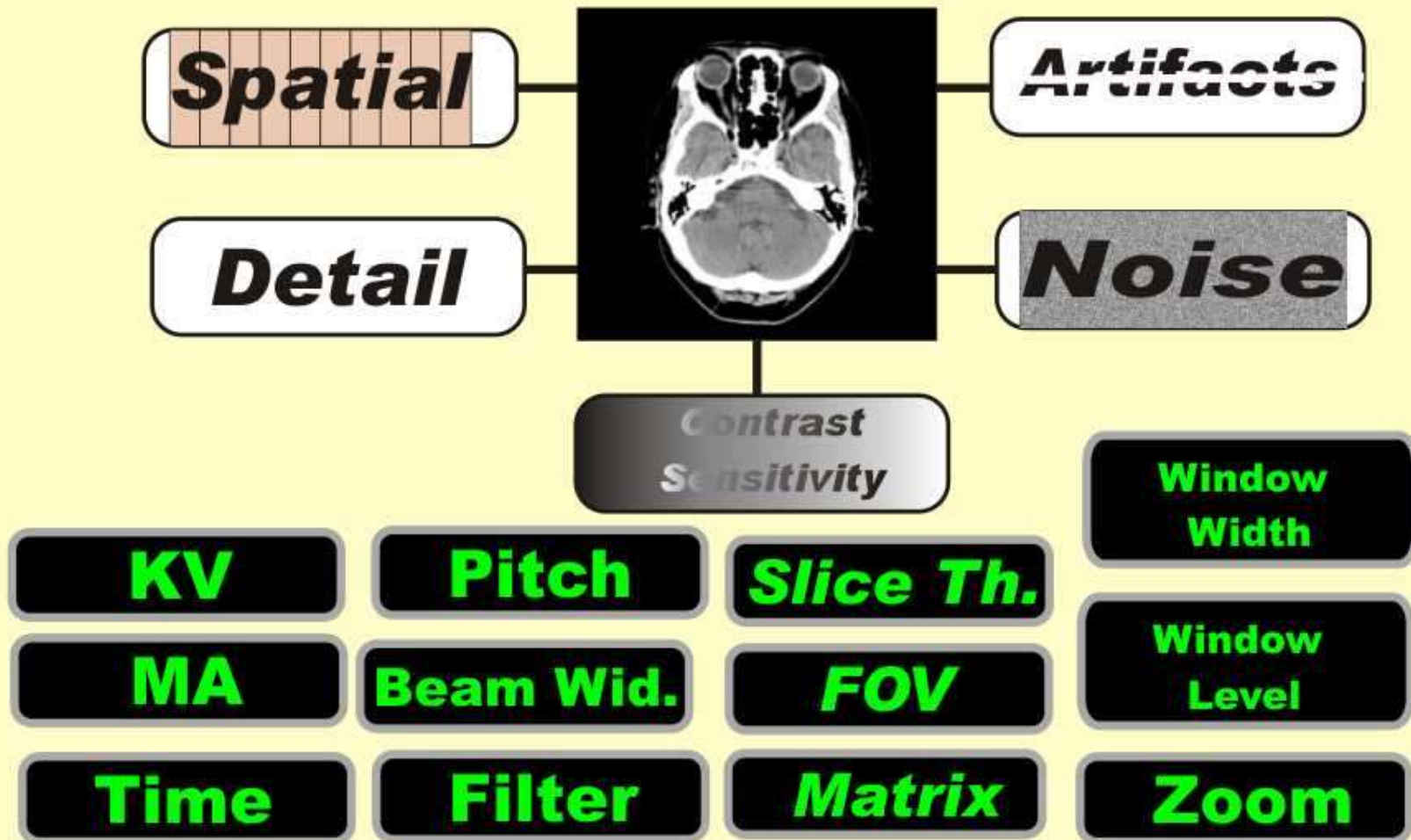
CT Slice Divided into Matrix of Voxels



Voxel Size Controlled By

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CT Image Characteristics

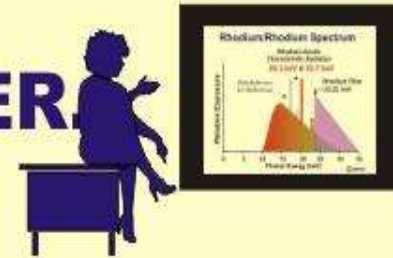


Major Protocol Factors

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The Values We Hold

The PHYSICIST is the TEACHER



TECHNOLOGY is the TOOL that can be used for effective and efficient teaching.

Technology should be used to enhance human performance of both learners (residents, students, etc.) And teachers



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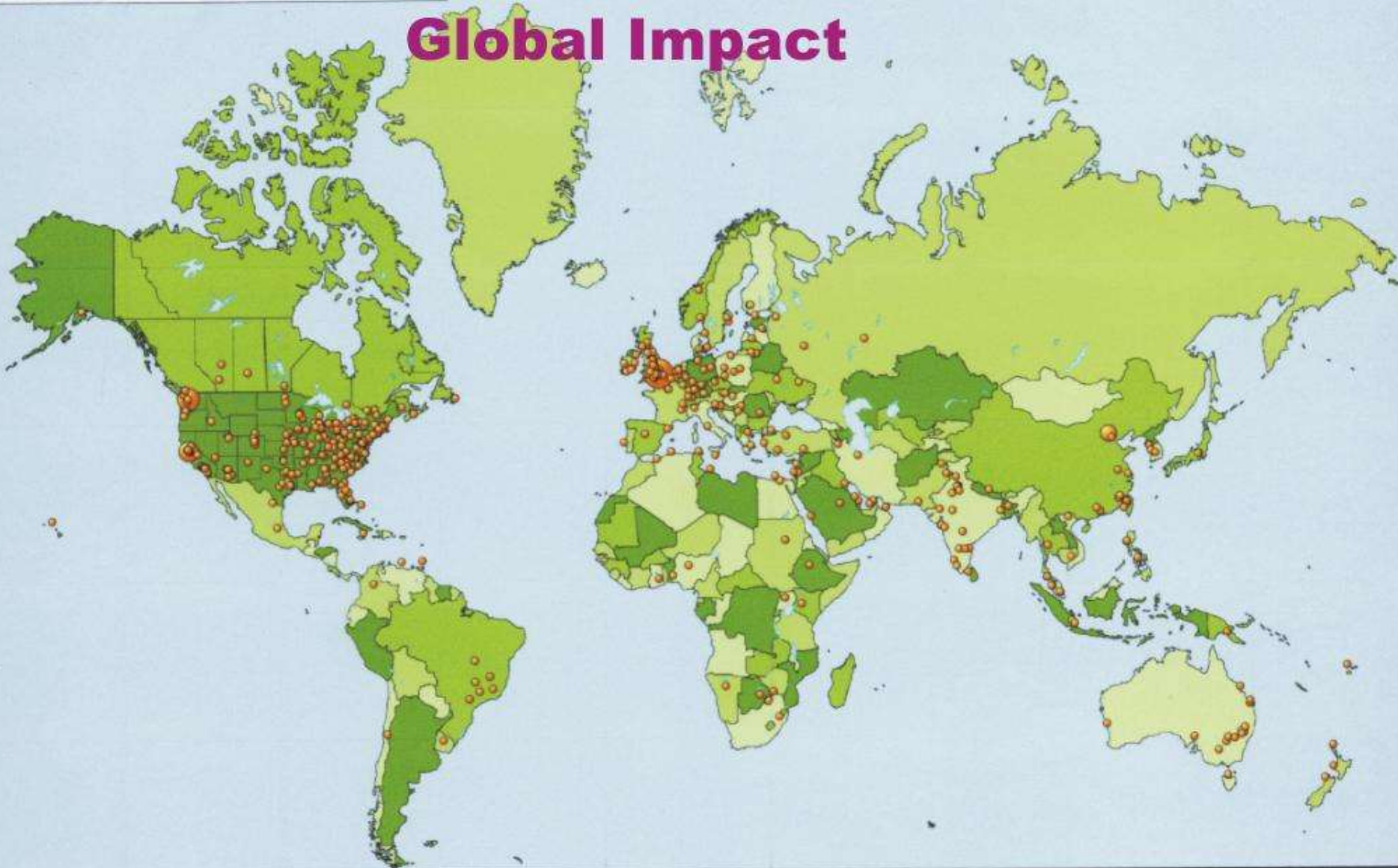


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