



# EIDORS: community-based extensible software for EIT

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# What is the problem?

EIT Research has seen much re-inventing  
the wheel

- Hardware / Imaging SW built from scratch

Problem because:

- Difficult to advance far when rebuilding
- Difficult to compare results



EIDORS

# Goal: software community



**Project:** Electrical  
Impedance and  
Diffuse  
Optical  
Tomography  
Reconstruction  
Software



EIDORS

# Why Walruses?

1. EIT images blobby objects in aqueous media;  
Walrus, a fat, blobby animal that lives in water.
2. Walrus is EIDORS logo
3. Walruses are much funnier than a talk about  
software architecture.



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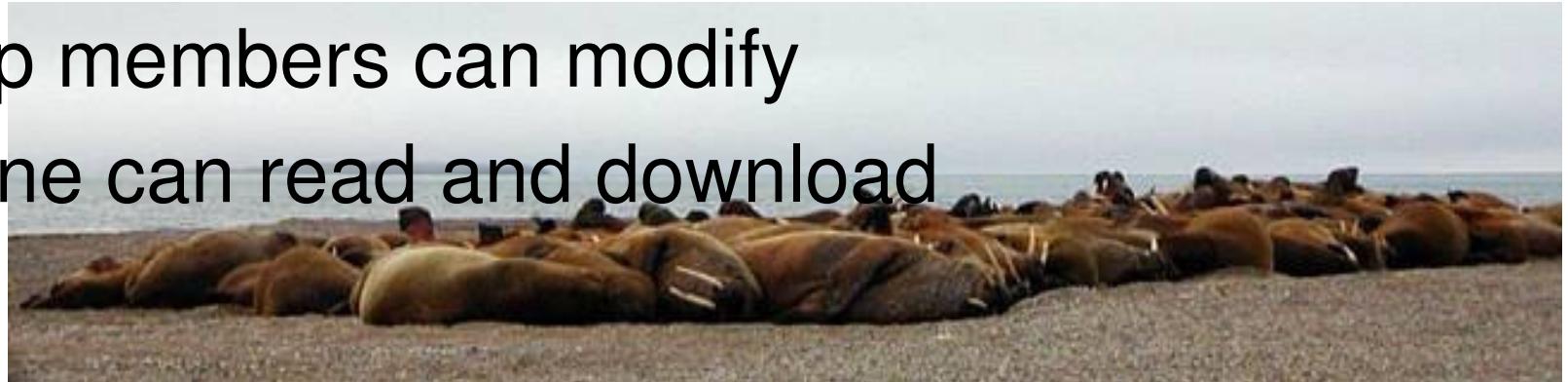
# EIDORS Features

## Open-source:

- License: GNU General Public License.
- Free to use, modify, and distribute modifications.
- May be used in a commercial product

## Hosted on Sourceforge.net

- Software is available for download (version 2.0)
- CVS access to latest developer versions
- Group members can modify
- Anyone can read and download





# Web Site

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window with the title bar "EIDORS-3D - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar contains the URL "http://eidors3d.sourceforge.net/docs.html", which is circled in red. The main content area displays the "EIDORS-3D: Electrical Impedance Tomography and Diffuse Optical Tomography Reconstruction Software" documentation. On the left, there is a sidebar with links: "EIDORS Main", "Documentation", "Screenshots", "Download", "Browse CVS", "News", "FAQ", and "Developer Info". The "Developer Info" link is circled in red with an arrow pointing to it from the text "Developer Version" on the left. The main text area starts with a paragraph about the software's origin and then lists two publications. The first publication, by "Andy Adler and William R B Lionheart", is circled in red with an arrow pointing to it from the text "This Paper" on the right. The second publication, by "Nick Polydorides and William R B Lionheart", is also circled in red.

**Walrus**

**Release Version**

**Developer Version**

**This Paper**

EIDORS-3D - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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**EIDORS-3D: Electrical Impedance Tomography and Diffuse Optical Tomography Reconstruction Software**

**EIDORS-3D: Documentation**

EIDORS-3D is based on the thesis of Nick Polydorides at UMIST. Current documentation is his thesis and an associated paper in Measurement Science and Technology.

- Andy Adler and William R B Lionheart  
*EIDORS: Towards a community-based extensible software base for EIT*  
VI Conf. Electrical Impedance Tomography, London, UK, 2005
- Nick Polydorides and William R B Lionheart  
*A Matlab toolkit for three-dimensional electrical impedance tomography: a contribution to the Electrical Impedance and Diffuse Optical Reconstruction Software project* Meas. Sci. Technol. 13 No 12 (December 2002) 1871-1883



# Features

## Language independence:

- Octave (octave.org, ver $\geq$  2.9)
- Matlab (version  $\geq$  6.0).

## Usage examples:

- new software is based on demos.
- simple and more complex usage examples.

## Tests:

- Software is intrinsically difficult to test.
- Numerical software is probably more difficult
- Implement of regression test scripts





# Features

## Pluggable code base:

- Object-oriented: *Packaging* and *Abstraction*.
- Don't use the Matlab OO framework
- Instead, EIDORS designed as "Pluggable" software using function pointers.





# Features

## Automatic matrix caching:

- Save computationally expensive variables
  - ie Jacobian , Image priors.
- Caching complicates software
- Caching managed in `eidors_obj`





# Example 1: Simulate data

```
param= mk_circ_tank(8, [-1:.25:1], 16, 3);          Create FEM geomtry  
params.stimulation= mk_stim_patterns( ...           Set curr & meas  
                                         16, 3, '{ad}', '{ad}', { }, 10);    patterns  
params.solve=      'np_fwd_solve';           Use N.P.'s solver  
  
mdl_3d =           eidors_obj('fwd_model', params);  
                   Create fwd_model  
  
img_bkgnd= eidors_obj( ...  
  'image',        'homog background', ...  
  'elem_data',   homg_conductivity, ...  
  'fwd_model',   mdl_3d );  
                   Create  
                   background  
                   image  
  
homg_data=fwd_solve(img_bkgnd);    Calc simulation data
```



# Example 2: Solve

```
My_Inv.solve=
```

```
'np_inv_solve';
```

```
My_Inv.reconst_type=
```

```
'differential';
```

```
My_Inv.fwd_model=
```

```
mdl_3d;
```

```
My_Inv.image_prior.func= 'tikhonov_image_prior';
```

Use functions  
from different  
algorithms

```
My_Inv.hyperparameter.func = 'aa_calc_noise_figure';
```

```
My_Inv.hyperparameter.noise_figure = 2.0;
```

```
My_Inv= eidors_obj('inv_model', My_Inv);
```

Create inv\_model

```
solve_img= inv_solve( My_Inv, data1, data2);
```

Solve Image



# Features

## Generalized data formats:

- EIT has a wide variety of stimulation, measurements
- general EIT data format : *fwd\_model*
  - electrode positions
  - contact impedances
  - stimulation and measurement patterns.

## Interface software for common EIT systems:

- Load data from some EIT systems
- Please contribute





# getting started

- Download
  - Run examples
- Join Mailing list  
`eidors3d@listserv.umist.ac.uk`
- Sign up as developer at:  
`sourceforge.net`
- Contribute your code

