

## darktable - Camera Support #11539

### Canon 5D Mark IV noise profiles

03/14/2017 08:20 AM - Dejan Perkovic

<b>Status:</b>	Fixed	<b>Start date:</b>	03/14/2017
<b>Priority:</b>	Low	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Category:</b>		<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	2.4.0		
<b>Affected Version:</b>	2.2.3		

#### Description

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BTW, congrats on excellent software.

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```

```
====> Check for required tools
```

```
--> Check for images handling tools availability
```

```
--> Check for images export tools availability
```

```
--> Check for profiling tools availability
```

```
--> Check for internal tools availability
```

```
--> Build profiling tools
```

```
make: Entering directory '/home/dejanp/Downloads/darktable-release-2.2.3/tools/noise'
```

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```

```
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--> Check for tethering tools availability
```

```
--> Check for pdf tools availability
```

```
====> Check profiling directory
```

```
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```

```
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```

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```
====> Checking profiling RAW images correctness + Jpeg export
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
====> Prepare profiling job
```

```
--> Remove previous presets
```

```
--> Ready to profile images
```

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```
====> Profile image for "Canon - EOS 5D Mark IV - 400 ISO"
```

```
--> Converting /home/dejanp/Pictures/noiseprofile/7M9A0061.CR2 (ISO 400)
```

```
[export_job] exported to `/home/dejanp/Pictures/noiseprofile/7M9A0061.pfm'
```

```
--> Run noiseprofile
```

```
--> Plotting /home/dejanp/Pictures/noiseprofile/7M9A0061.pfm
```

```
--> Fitted parametric curves
```

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--> Save generated preset

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## Associated revisions

### Revision e48c1684 - 06/16/2017 02:11 PM - David Houlder

noise profile: Add Canon EOS 5D Mark IV, fixes #11539

Profile generated by Dejan Perkovic. See <https://redmine.darktable.org/issues/11539#note-4>

(cherry picked from commit 492b7d44b82b7db0dff73edc7d99f6c5e9253af)

Fixes #1507

Thanks to Stefan Schöfegger for review!

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## History

### #1 - 03/14/2017 09:18 AM - Roman Lebedev

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**#2 - 03/14/2017 11:49 AM - Dejan Perkovic**

- File noise\_result.pdf added

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**#3 - 03/15/2017 02:52 AM - Dejan Perkovic**

So, I did go through all the ISOs w/o errors from gen-profile, but the fit doesn't seem to be there (similar to the linked PDF in previous message). I tried using it and it works, but I wouldn't call it simpler or better than denoise-non-local w/o profile. I have been taking bracketed shots with different exposures and the results would be very different, too (see below). I don't know if that is ok (no idea about the meaning behind the numbers) nor how these numbers are taken (averaged?) by darktable. Any hints on how I should proceed? I have the photos (light fixture in a dark room) and all the PDFs...

```
{"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 100", "iso": 100, "a": [3.5456631955808e-06, 1.34515466146825e-06, 9.732281960835e-06], "b": [5.28539268622165e-07, 4.37625906597106e-07, 4.83807080438081e-07]}, {"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 100", "iso": 100, "a": [3.21454586190599e-06, 1.42182437654684e-06, 9.88120015198096e-06], "b": [5.682355293372e-07, 4.91537986243456e-07, 5.48884695137732e-07]}, {"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 100", "iso": 100, "a": [5.3267690912655e-06, 1.36428574398318e-06, 1.00242868077735e-05], "b": [4.01123445962802e-07, 4.00631579426288e-07, 4.21621188290524e-07]},
```

```
{"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 3200", "iso": 3200, "a": [0.000137537183586954, 6.21441077049712e-05, 0.000380640374226419], "b": [1.76936825097717e-05, 1.38344898916574e-05, 9.34108671384824e-06]}, {"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 3200", "iso": 3200, "a": [0.000210720832716183, 6.96852744171812e-05, 0.000363800625511486], "b": [1.30983771101841e-05, 1.20756324969068e-05, 1.05305147675367e-05]}, {"name": "EOS 5D Mark IV iso 3200", "iso": 3200, "a": [8.90252994876857e-05, 3.1284746884955e-05, 0.000328537048468565], "b": [2.19753216911513e-05, 1.88880620335612e-05, 1.5172919745239e-05]},
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#### #4 - 03/20/2017 09:07 AM - Dejan Perkovic

- File *benchmark.output* added
- File *dt-noiseprofile-20170319.tar.gz* added
- File *presets.json* added

I made it working in the end (guessing the export defaults in darktable being a problem). Attached are the tar file and *presets.json*. Below is the result of benchmark (PSNR of original vs denoise module with default parameters). Interesting to see PSNRs of non full stop ISOs.

Let me know if you need anything else,  
Dejan  
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```
iso50 : 20.7386 20.7498  
iso100 : 42.7686 45.4188  
iso125 : 41.5104 44.4125  
iso160 : 29.2676 29.4696  
iso200 : 39.4004 41.7618  
iso250 : 38.5898 41.3635  
iso320 : 24.9604 25.1441  
iso400 : 35.8072 38.4956  
iso500 : 34.6316 37.4097  
iso640 : 24.7774 25.1649  
iso800 : 33.7659 38.0497  
iso1000 : 32.9191 37.8598  
iso1250 : 24.3282 25.1178  
iso1600 : 31.2177 37.0997  
iso2000 : 30.0234 35.704  
iso2500 : 23.6142 25.1936  
iso3200 : 28.2885 35.0616  
iso4000 : 27.3969 34.801  
iso5000 : 22.3141 25.0617  
iso6400 : 25.5176 33.0572  
iso8000 : 24.4749 32.1006  
iso10000 : 20.1266 24.1101  
iso12800 : 22.4491 30.2177  
iso16000 : 21.4559 28.8545
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iso20000 : 17.6819 22.9577  
iso25600 : 19.4315 26.5703  
iso32000 : 18.3591 25.575  
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iso102400 : 17.2095 22.4031

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```
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**#5 - 06/12/2017 04:14 PM - David Houlder**

- File *dh-vs-11539.gnuplot* added

- File *dt-noiseprofile-20170612.tar.gz* added

Hi Dejan...

In the interests of cross-validation, I generated my own noise profile for the 5D Mark IV and got pretty similar results to your final profile. See attached *dt-noiseprofile-20170612.tar.gz*

Out of curiosity I created a gnuplot script that lets you compare my results against yours in an interactive 3D plot ("a" and "b" coefficients vs. ISO). The solid lines are my fit, the dashed lines are yours, and there are vectors at each ISO showing the discrepancy. If you spin the plot around you'll find that (due to the log axes) the points all line up reasonably well. Run it with...

gnuplot *dh-vs-11539.gnuplot*

I'll create a pull request soon unless someone advises otherwise.

cheers

David

**#6 - 06/14/2017 04:17 AM - David Houlder**

Hi Dejan: I just created pull request #1507 using your noise profile from comment #note-4 and attributed it to you. Thanks for your hard work.

**#7 - 06/15/2017 09:38 PM - Stefan Schöfegger**

The noise profile *dt-noiseprofile-20170319.tar.gz* does not look optimal. All iso but 1250-8000 show artefacts I had not seen so far, but the errors are small. Normally I would suggest to make new shots. As we have a second noise profile with exactly the same errors ( *dt-noiseprofile-20170612.tar.gz* ) it seems to be chip specific.

PR 1507 can be merged.

**#8 - 06/15/2017 09:43 PM - Roman Lebedev**

Hm, were those noise profiling shots taken in dual-row mode?

I wonder if there is a difference.

**#9 - 06/16/2017 03:08 PM - David Houlder**

- Status changed from *New* to *Fixed*

- % Done changed from *0* to *100*

Applied in changeset [darktable|e48c1684292887ca2850ef0b585a6bd31c28da62.](#)

**#10 - 06/16/2017 04:35 PM - David Houlder**

Roman Lebedev wrote:

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In my case at least, no. *dt-noiseprofile-20170612.tar.gz* was generated with dual-pixel mode disabled.

**Files**

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7M9A0061-large.jpg	13.9 MB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
7M9A0061.pdf	26.2 KB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
7M9A0061_flat.pdf	17.3 KB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
7M9A0061.CR2	31.1 MB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
7M9A0061.CR2.xmp	4.24 KB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
noise_result.pdf	99.5 KB	03/14/2017	Dejan Perkovic
dt-noiseprofile-20170319.tar.gz	11.7 MB	03/20/2017	Dejan Perkovic
presets.json	6.11 KB	03/20/2017	Dejan Perkovic
benchmark.output	748 Bytes	03/20/2017	Dejan Perkovic
dt-noiseprofile-20170612.tar.gz	9.4 MB	06/12/2017	David Houlder
dh-vs-11539.gnuplot	8.58 KB	06/12/2017	David Houlder