

# Overcoming metamerism when calibrating colorimeters used for display measurement

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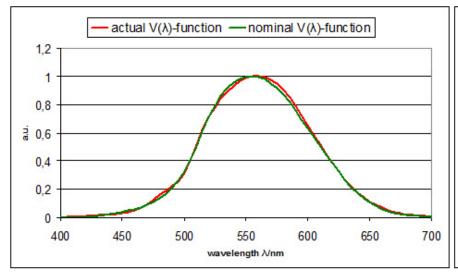


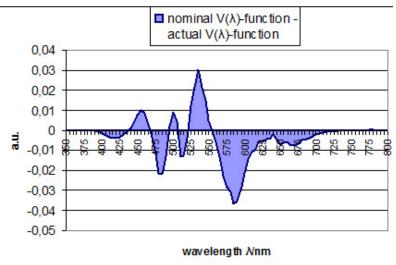
## Display Measurement Challenges

- Tristimulus colorimeters comprised of three or four detector channels are, in general, not amenable to accurate calibration that holds for all manner of usage with different illuminated devices and objects.
- This is because the spectral responsivities of their filtered detector channels do not exactly match the defined CIE  $x^-$ ,  $y^-$ ,  $z^-$  functions.
- Tristimulus colorimeters may be optimized for use of measuring displays providing better accuracy with that device than its more general calibration provides.
- Closer to ideal requires optimization matrix that transforms the measured CIE X, Y, Z values into adjusted X, Y, Z values.



## Photometer Response Metric





$$M = \frac{\int_a^b E(\lambda)R(\lambda)d\lambda}{\int_c^d E(\lambda)R_r(\lambda)d\lambda} \times \frac{\int_c^d E_0(\lambda)R_r(\lambda)d\lambda}{\int_a^b E_0(\lambda)R_t(\lambda)d\lambda}$$

#### where:

M = spectral mismatch parameter;

 $E(\lambda)$  = spectral irradiance (Wm<sup>-2</sup>/nm);

 $E_0(\lambda) = \text{reference spectral irradiance (Wm}^{\text{-2}}/\text{nm});$ 

 $R_r(\lambda)$  = spectral response of reference cell (A/W);

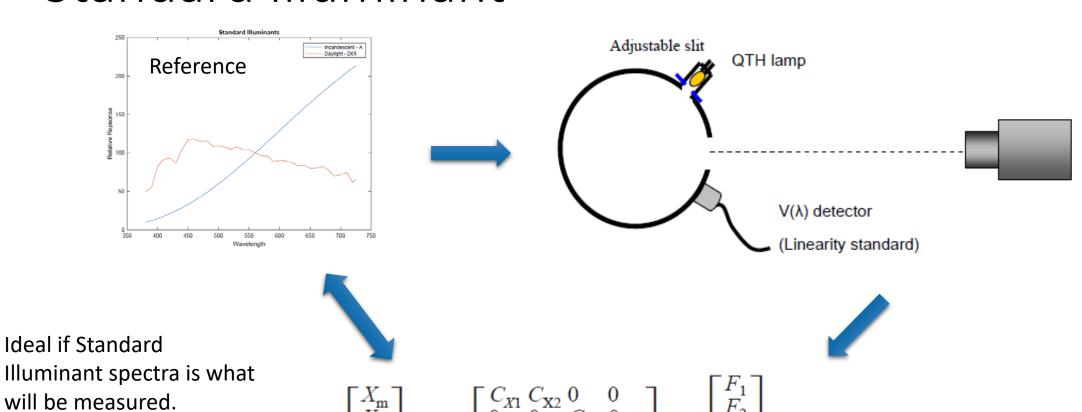
 $R_t(\lambda)$  = spectral response of photovoltaic device (A/W).

M = 1 if the reference device is matched with the test device

M = 1 if test spectrum is matched with the reference spectrum



# Typical Filtered Colorimeter Calibration with Standard Illuminant

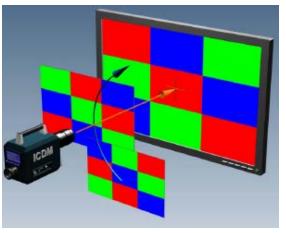


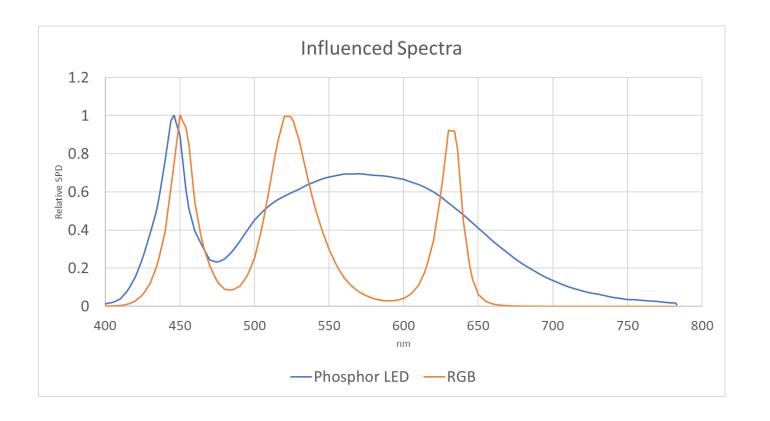
**Corrections Applied** 



# Display Test Applications More Unique SPDs











# Common Approach: Match a "Good" Display

Measure spectral radiance of display with spectroradiometer and apply additional corrections. Often requires a series of "Golden Displays" as unstable reference source







Results are Golden Displays to try to match when testing



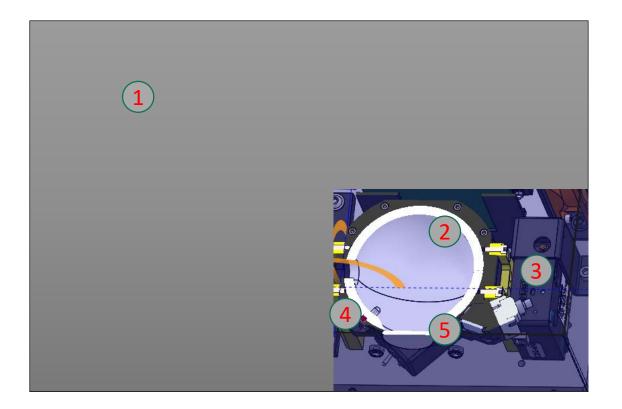
#### What if

- What if you could measure the SPDs of a display, reproduce it with high fidelity and uniformity, and correct the measuring tristimulus colorimeters performance?
- What if you could correct every colorimeter used to produce repeatable display color results.
- What if you could tune every display to have the same color appearance no matter what colorimeter was used?
- How would this effect the display users color experience?



# Differentiating Approach

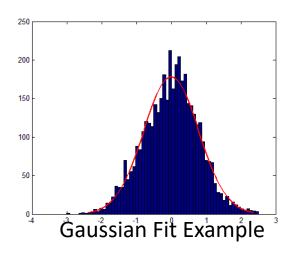
- Polychromatic Source breaks light into constituent wavelengths and control intensity levels
- 2. Sphere integrates the Light
- 3. Spectrometer provides spectral radiance measurements and feedback to DMD control to establish target spectra matching
- 4. QTH enables user spectral radiance monitor calibration
- 5. Top down view or side view



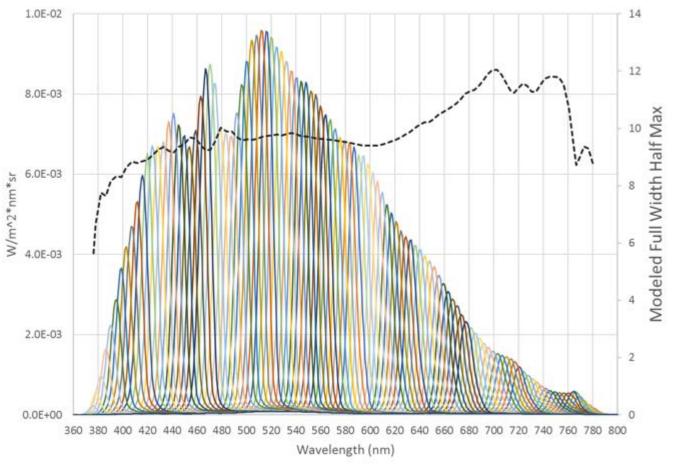


### Wavelength Calibration

Each curve is generated by a 10-pixel wide "column" of the DMD mirrors. A curve is generated every 10 pixels. A gaussian fit is given to each, and the FWHM of each gaussian fit is show by the dotted black line.

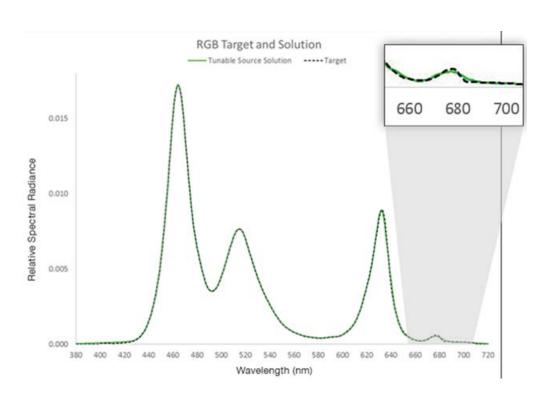


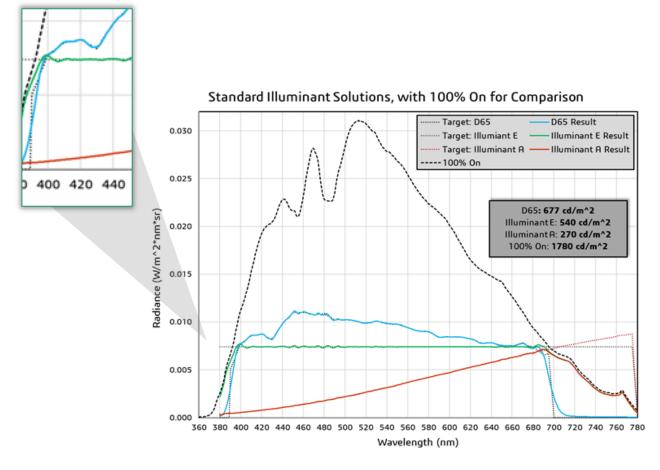
#### 200µm Slit Wavelength Calibration, 10-Pixel Columns





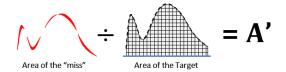
Enabled Spectral Distribution Matching with Traceable Results







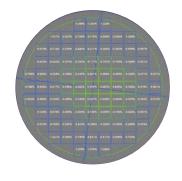
#### Performance Metrics



Spectral Matching A' <1% from target SPD</li>

$$A' = rac{\int_{\lambda Low}^{\lambda High} |Target - Solution|}{\int_{\lambda Low}^{\lambda High} Target}$$

• Uniformity: across a 30mm port: 99% or greater



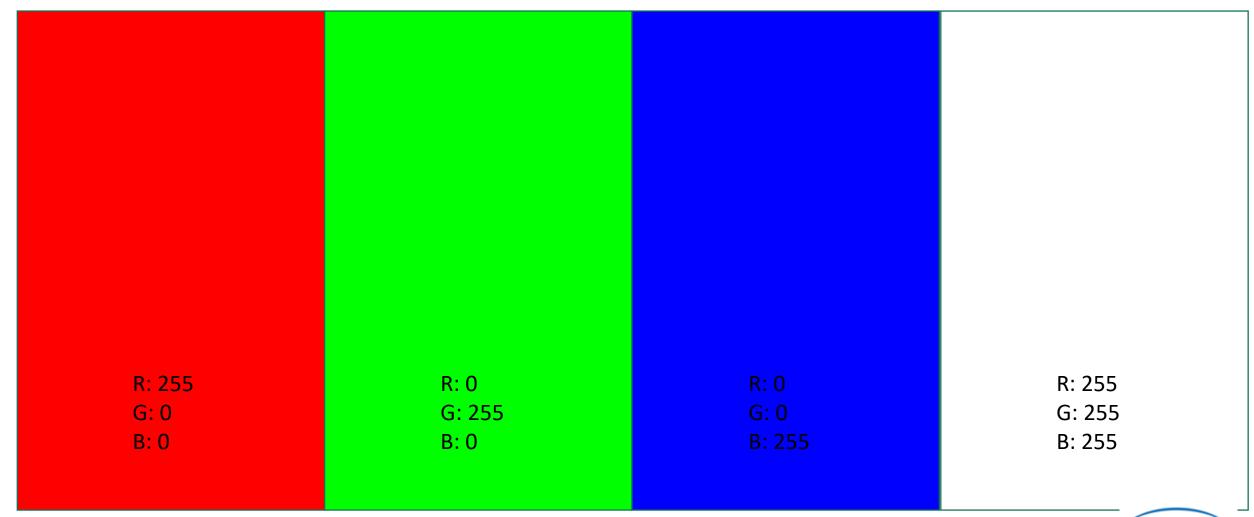
$$U_{CoV} = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (L - \bar{L})^2}}{\bar{L}}$$

- Reproducibility:
  - cd/m2 CoV <0.5%

Measured using high resolution spectrometer, with full power cycling and feedback



### **RGB Test Colors**



#### Process



Measure Display with
Spectroradiometer and
Commercial Imaging Colorimeter









Remeasure Display and Compare

Measure digital polychromator

Compute and apply color Correction to Colorimeter

Transfer from Spectroradiometer to Digital Polychromator.

Polychromator reproduces display SPD



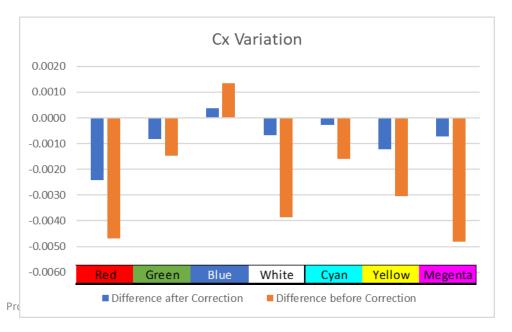


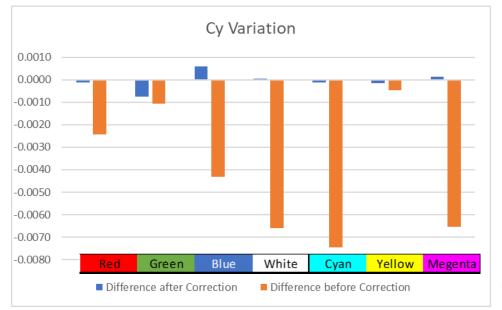
#### Corrected Results

|                              |    | Red     | Green   | Blue    | White   | Cyan    | Yellow  | Megenta |
|------------------------------|----|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Display Measured SPD         | х  | 0.5712  | 0.3301  | 0.1584  | 0.2948  | 0.2326  | 0.4130  | 0.2750  |
|                              | у  | 0.3398  | 0.5599  | 0.0964  | 0.3053  | 0.2973  | 0.4865  | 0.1649  |
| Commercial Colorimeter       | Х  | 0.5665  | 0.3286  | 0.1597  | 0.2909  | 0.2310  | 0.4100  | 0.2702  |
|                              | У  | 0.3374  | 0.5588  | 0.0921  | 0.2987  | 0.2898  | 0.4860  | 0.1584  |
| Corrected Colorimeter        | Х  | 0.5688  | 0.3292  | 0.1587  | 0.2941  | 0.2323  | 0.4118  | 0.2743  |
|                              | У  | 0.3397  | 0.5591  | 0.0970  | 0.3054  | 0.2971  | 0.4863  | 0.1651  |
| Difference before Correction | Dx | -0.0047 | -0.0015 | 0.0014  | -0.0039 | -0.0016 | -0.0030 | -0.0048 |
|                              | Dy | -0.0024 | -0.0011 | -0.0043 | -0.0066 | -0.0075 | -0.0005 | -0.0065 |
| Difference after Correction  | Dx | -0.0024 | -0.0008 | 0.0004  | -0.0007 | -0.0003 | -0.0012 | -0.0007 |
|                              | Dy | -0.0001 | -0.0007 | 0.0006  | 0.0001  | -0.0001 | -0.0002 | 0.0001  |

Substantial improvement, particularly in the secondary colors

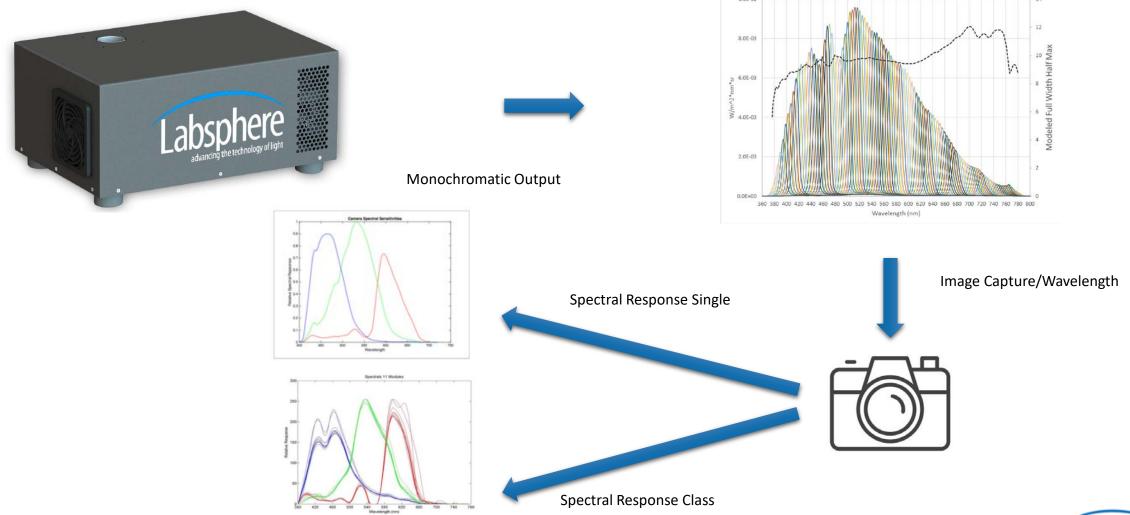
Chromaticity Correction per ASTM E1455-03







RGB Camera Response Application





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#### Summary

- Presented was technology the provides the ability to reproduce virtually any band pass source >10nm through the visible spectra
- Labsphere believes this technology can enable more accurate filter based metering with improved accuracy and lower uncertainty
- This technology can apply to calibration and correction of other visible RGB devices:
  - RGB images sensors response
  - Camera RGB response correction
  - Visible sensor quantum efficiency
  - Hyperspectral System Calibration

