

# Comparing colour perception on LCDs with different backlights

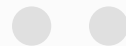
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# Introduction

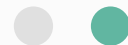




CCFL  
(broad-band)



KSF LED  
Mini LED  
RG Phosphor Blue LED  
(narrow-band)





Same tristimulus values



Different backlights

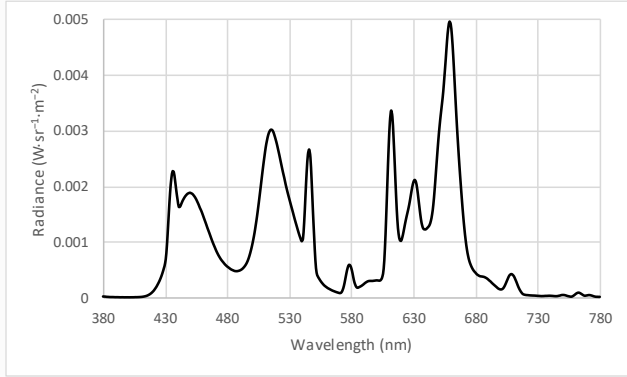
They look different !



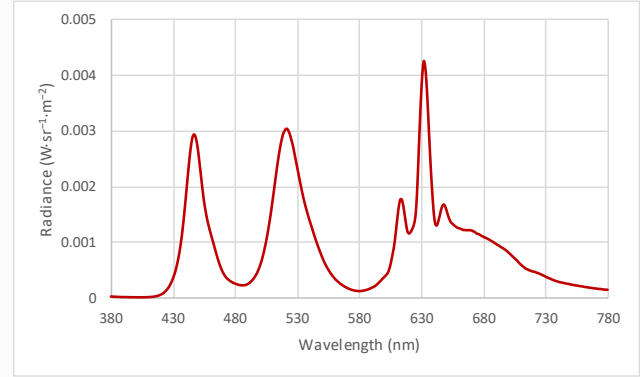


# White Colour's SPD on Different Backlights

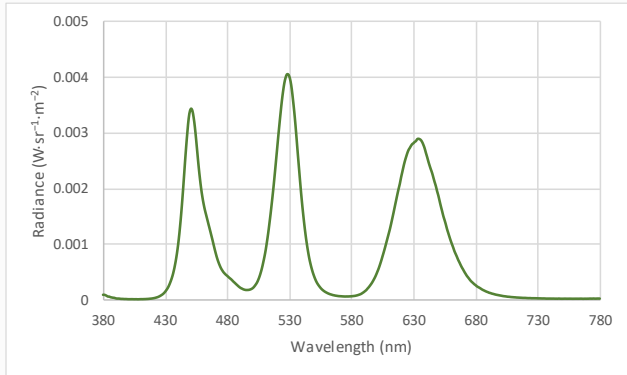
## CCFL



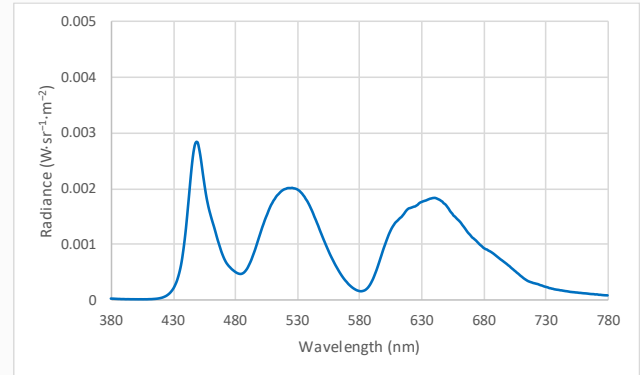
## KSF LED



## Mini LED



## RG Phosphor Blue LED (RG + B LED)



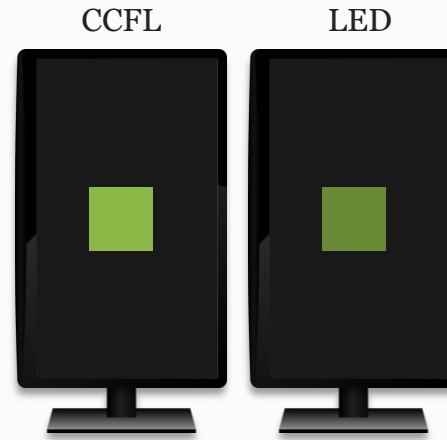


## In the Previous Experiment (Experiment 1)

Regarded the colour on LED display as reference colour,  
observers adjusted colour attributes include

1. Lightness ( $L^*$ ),
2. Chroma ( $C^*$ ) and
3. Hue angle ( $h$ )

of the colour on CCFL display until they visually matched.

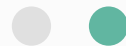
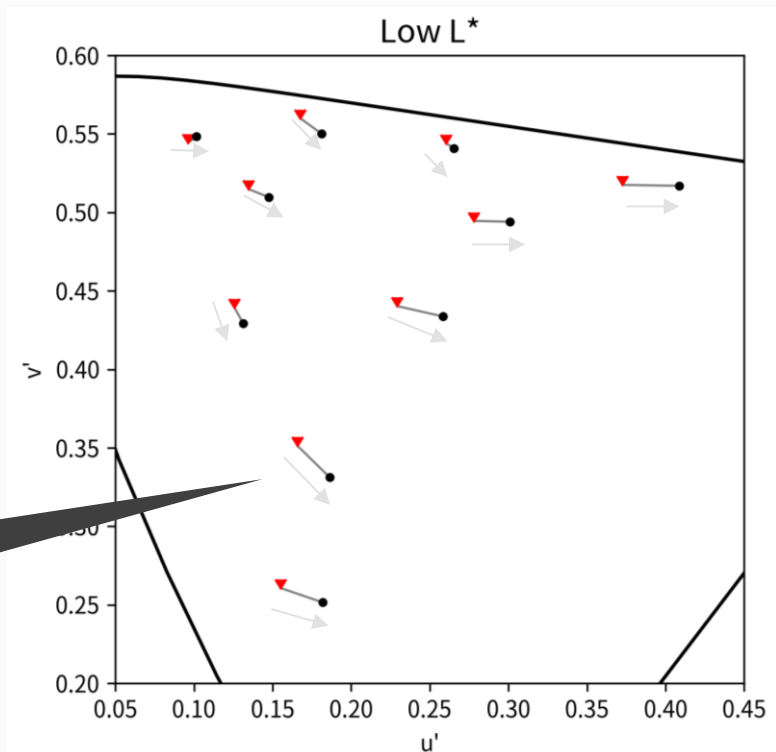




# Colour Transformation Models (CTMs)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix}_{\text{Original (CCFL)}} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix}_{\text{adjusted (LED)}}$$

Calibrate adjusted colours to their original position



# Mean Colour Transformation Models (Mean-CTMs)

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{KSF LED} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{original}} \\ \text{(CCFL)} \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9955 & 0.0067 & 0.0094 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.0027 & 0.0111 & 1.0163 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{adjusted}} \\ \text{(LED)} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Mini LED} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{original}} \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0220 & -0.0100 & 0.0045 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.0067 & -0.0061 & 1.0605 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{adjusted}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{RG + B LED} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{original}} \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9884 & 0.0216 & -0.0036 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.0080 & 0.0256 & 1.0063 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \left[ \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]_{\text{adjusted}} \end{array}$$





Experiment 2 aimed to assess the validity and efficiency of the CTMs.

To achieve this goal, Experiment 2 was divided into 3 sub-experiments:

1. Single colour experiment
2. Colour difference experiment
3. Colour image experiment



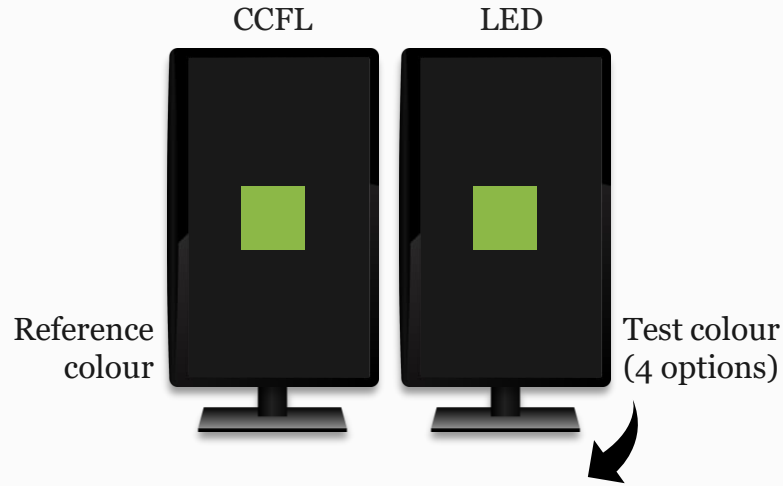
# Experimental Methods





# Experiment 2.1

## Single Colour Experiment



Options on LED displays include colours:

- without calibration (Original)
- calibrated by Mean-CTM (Mean)
- calibrated by CTM of individual (Individual)
- calibrated by inversed Mean-CTM (InvMean)



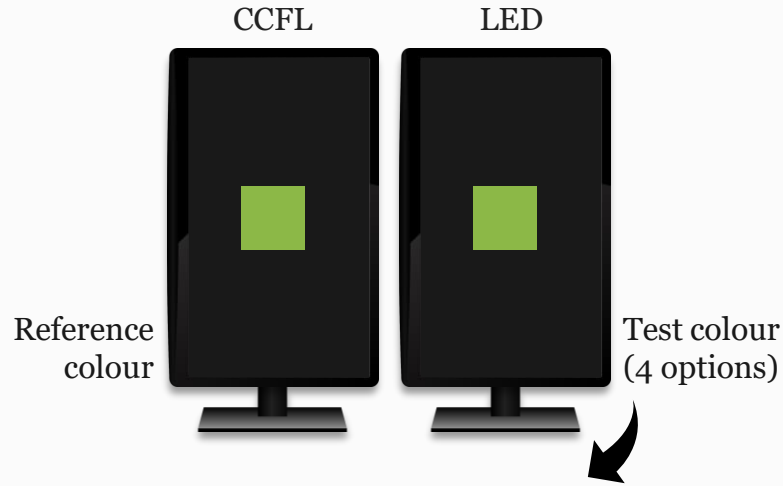
Which one looks like the reference colour?





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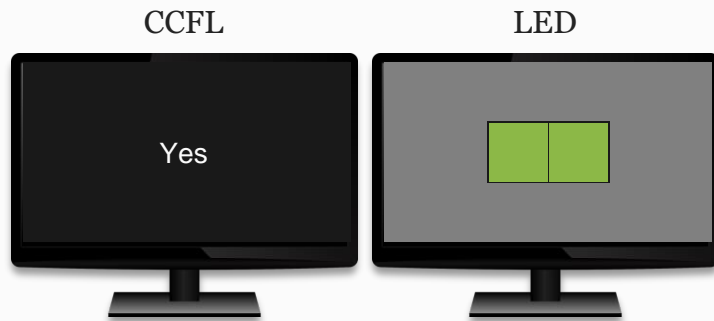
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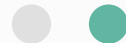
# Experiment 2.2

## Colour Difference Experiment



Colours on LED displays include:

- Colour calibrated by Mean-CTM (Mean)
- Colour calibrated by CTM of individual (Individual)



# Experiment 2.3

## Colour image samples

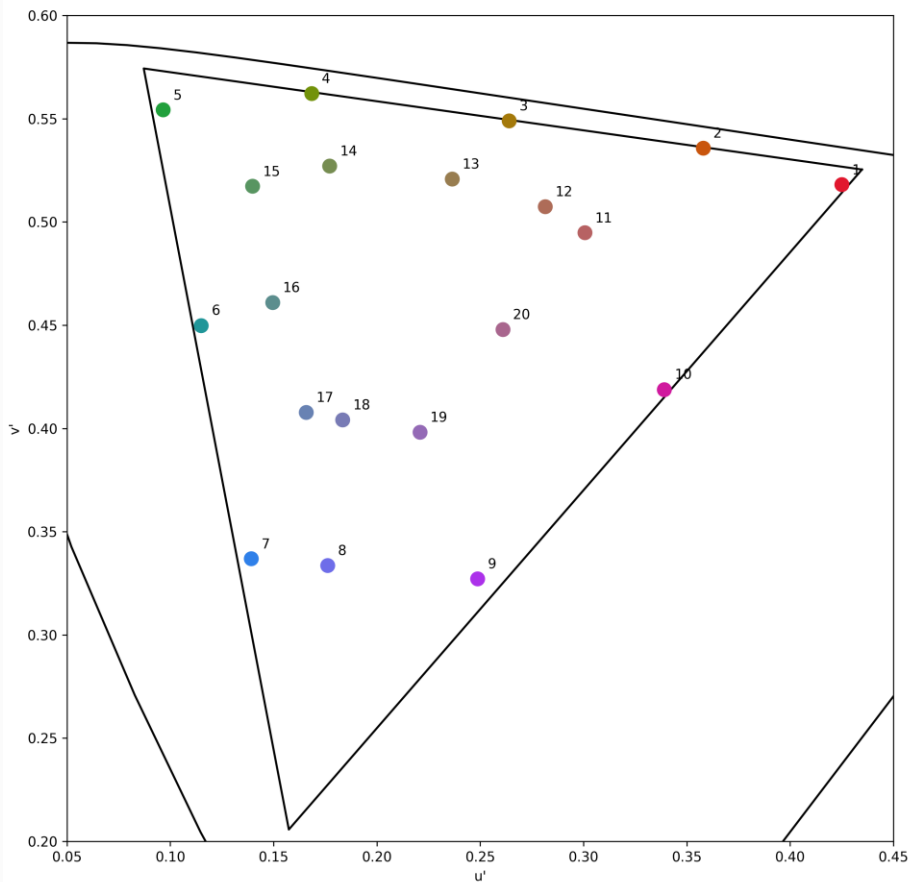


Options on LED displays include:

- Non-calibrated image (Original)
- Image calibrated by Mean-CTM (Mean)
- Image calibrated by CTM of individual (Individual)
- Image calibrated by Mean-CTM optimised under CIE 1931 2° standard (1931)



Which one looks like the reference image?



## 20 Single colour samples used in Experiment 2



7 Colour image samples  
used in Experiment 2







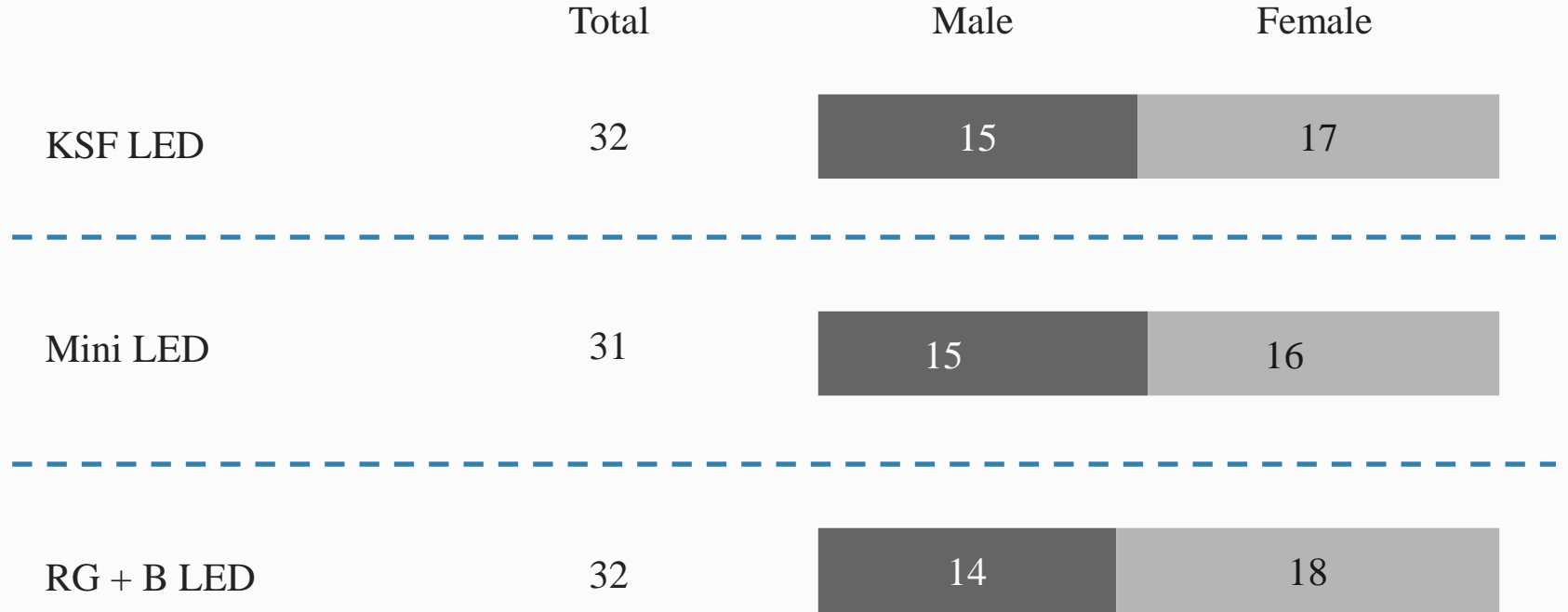
# Observers

- Due to the usage of Individual-CTM, the observers must have participated in Experiment 1.
- To maintain high consistency, the first 30 observers who performed great repeatability were invited.
- If someone was unable to participate, substitutes starting from the 31<sup>st</sup> place would be invited.



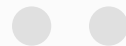


# Observers





# Results



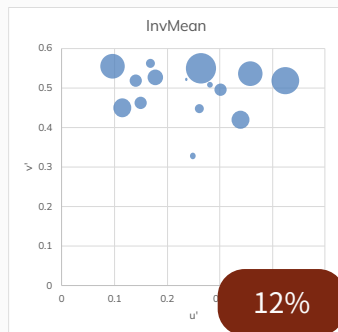
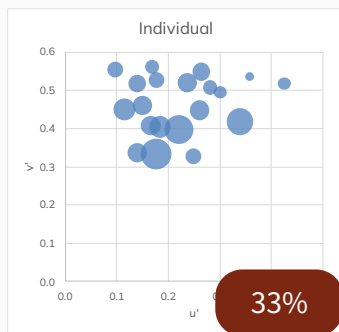
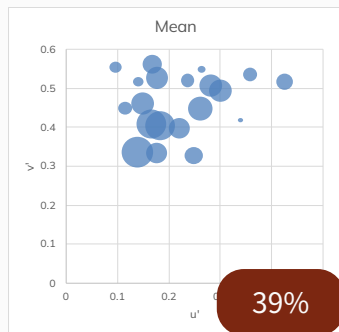
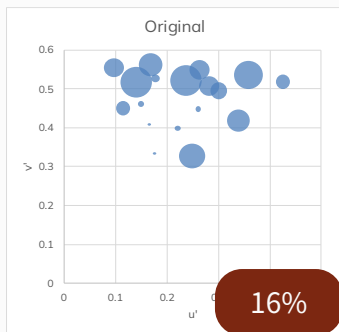


# Inter- & Intra-observer variability

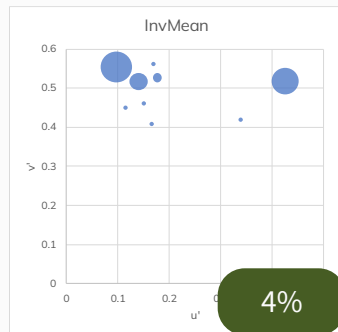
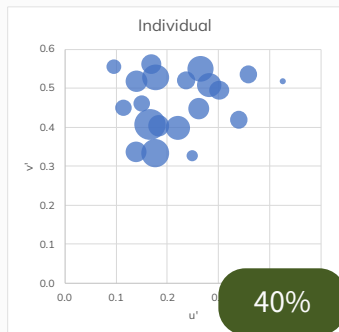
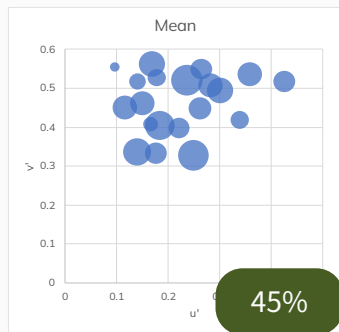
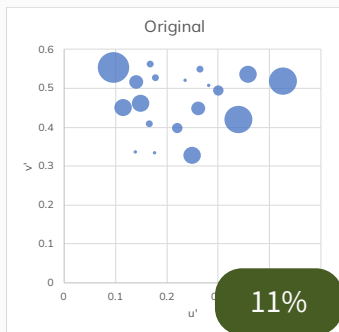
		Inter-observer variability	Intra-observer variability
		(consistency)	(repeatability)
Exp 2.1	KSF LED	0.85	1.22
	Mini LED	0.70	0.89
	RG + B LED	0.85	1.21
Exp 2.2	KSF LED	0.47	0.53
	Mini LED	0.44	0.49
	RG + B LED	0.47	0.56
Exp 2.3	KSF LED	1.06	1.13
	Mini LED	0.84	0.96
	RG + B LED	0.96	1.24



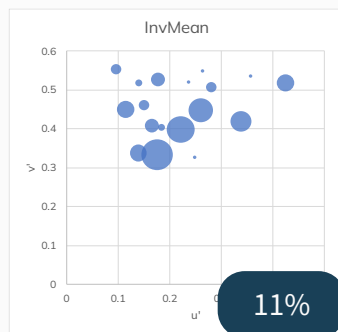
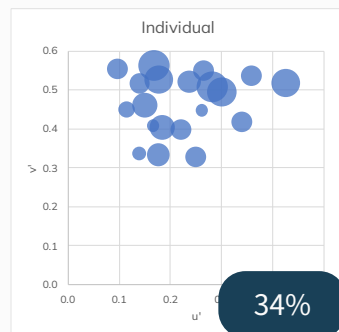
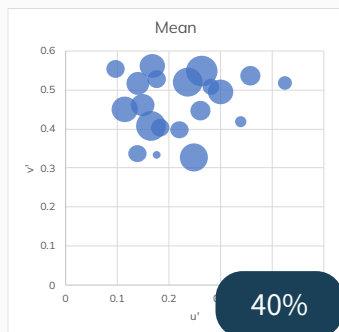
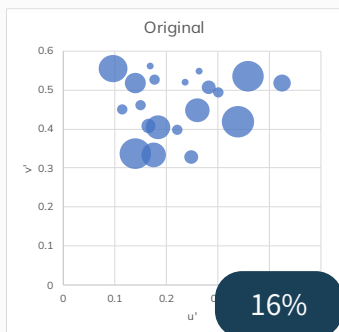
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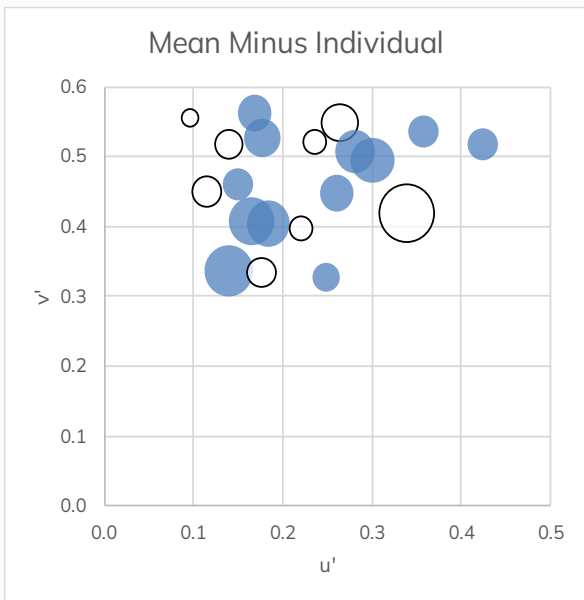
Mini LED 2.1



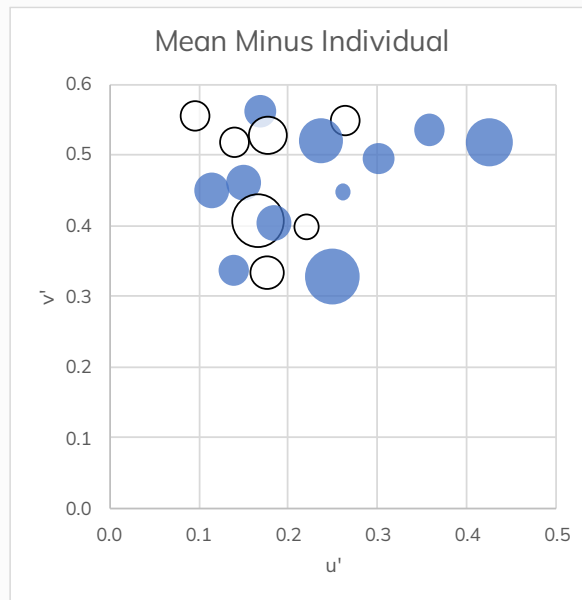
RG+B LED 2.1



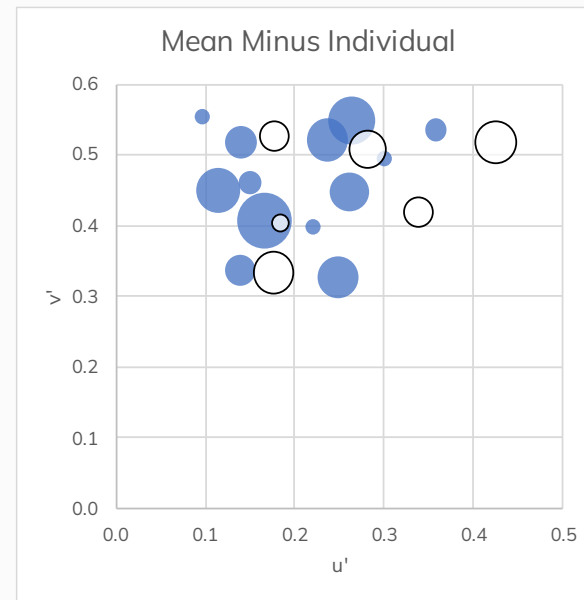
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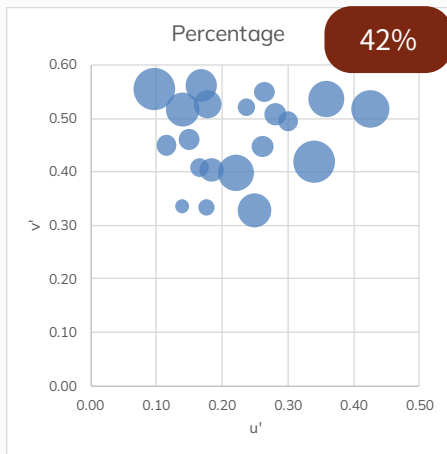


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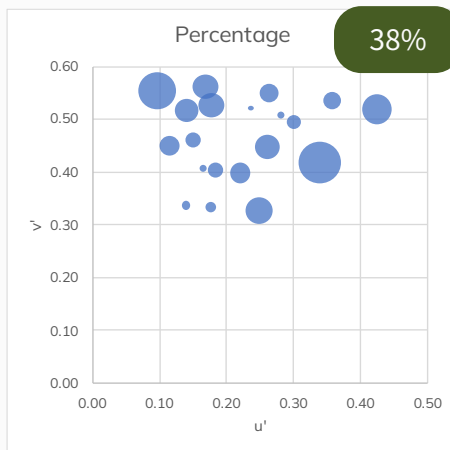


● Positive value    ○ Negative value

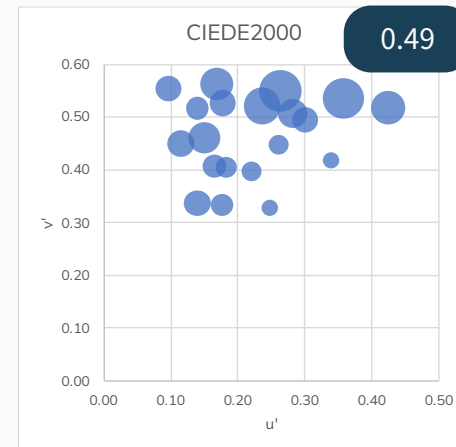
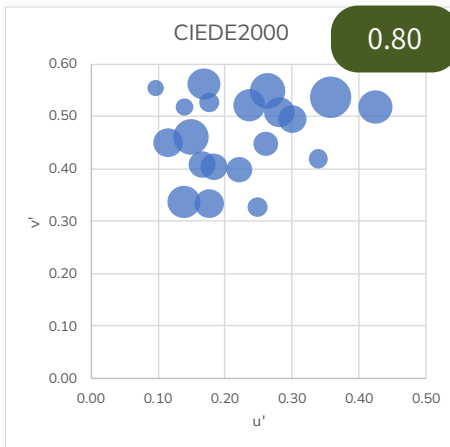
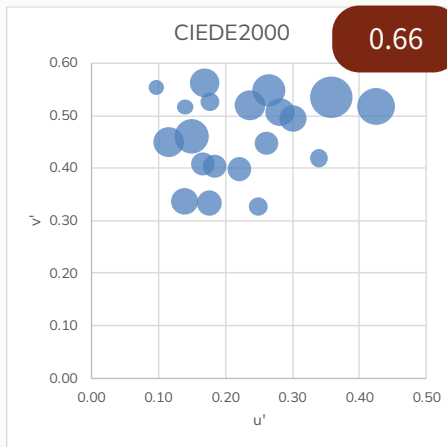
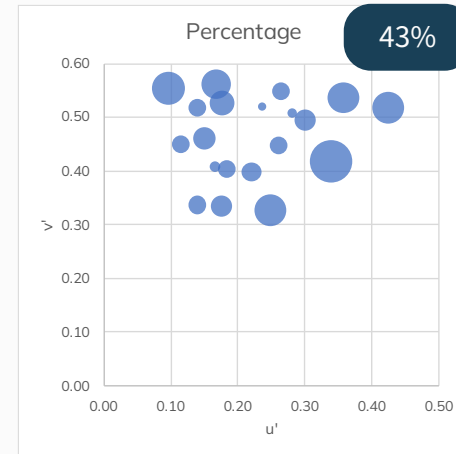
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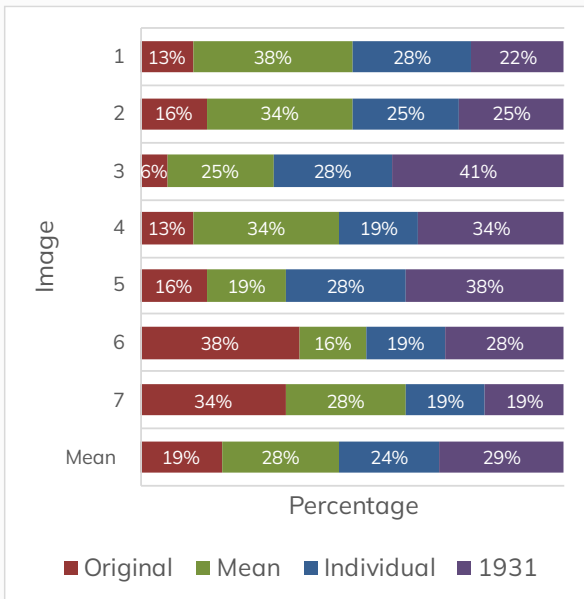
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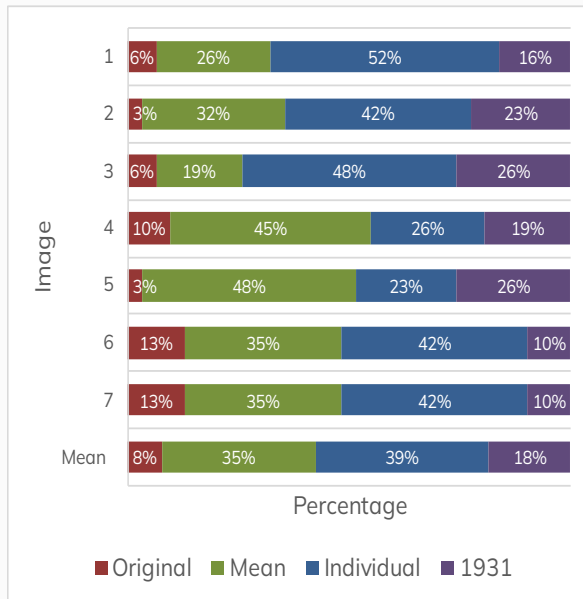
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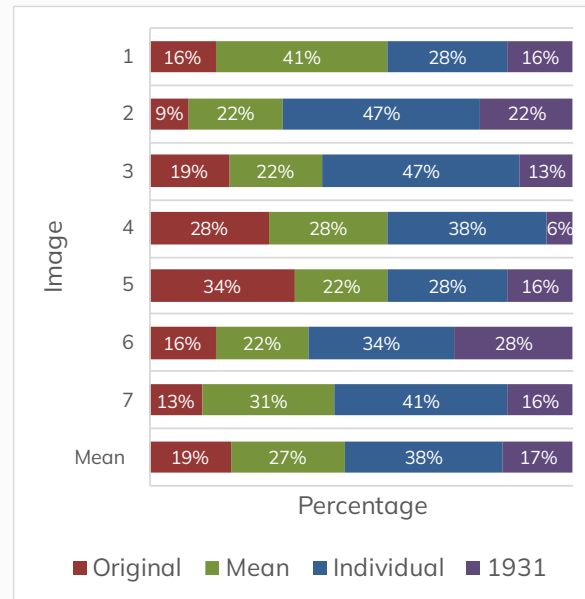
## KSF LED 2.3



## Mini LED 2.3



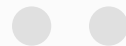
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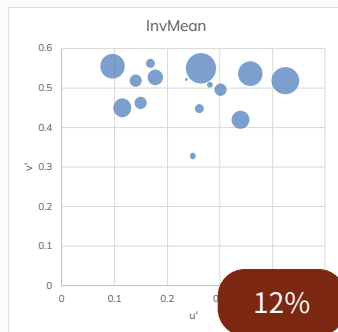
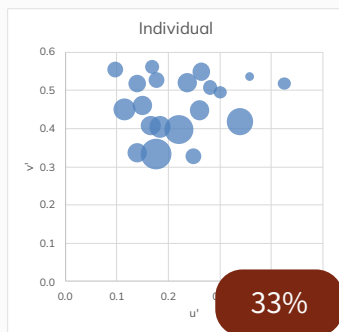
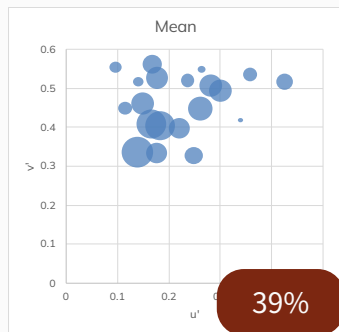
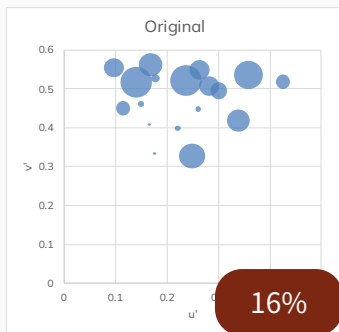




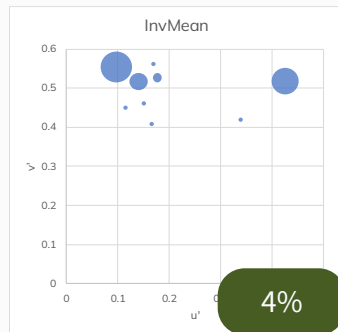
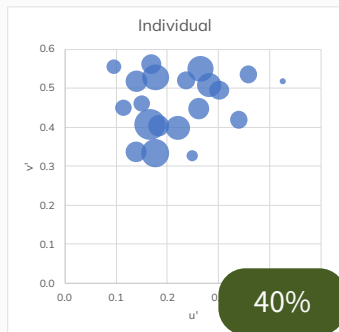
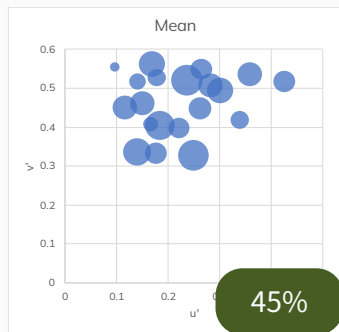
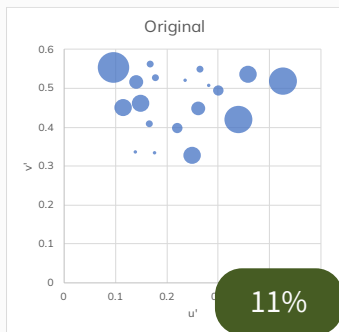
# Categorisation



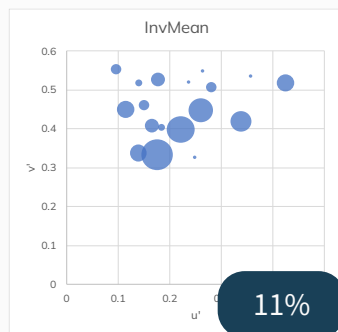
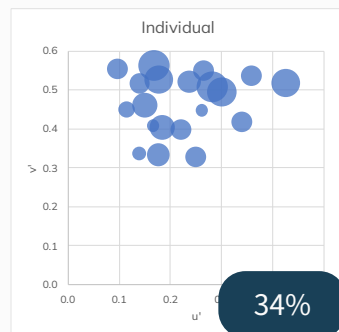
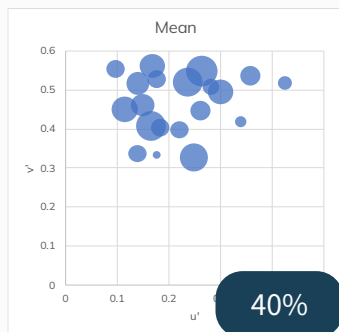
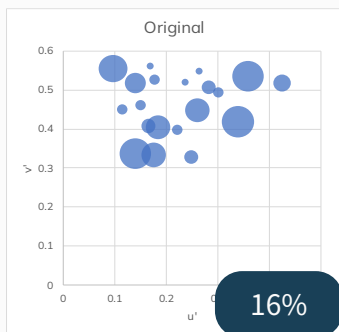
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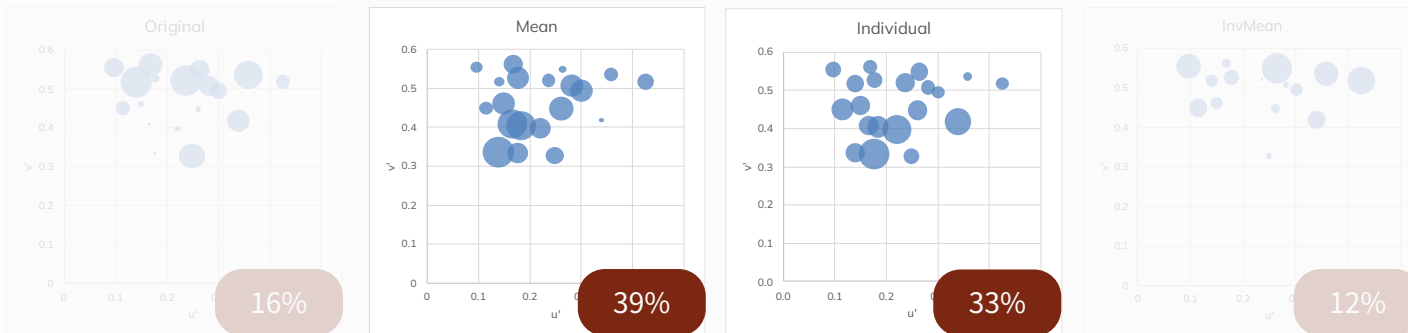
Mini LED 2.1



RG+B LED 2.1

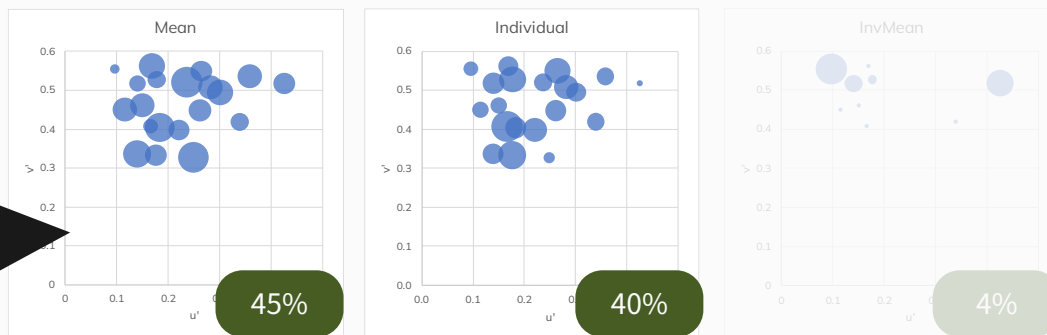


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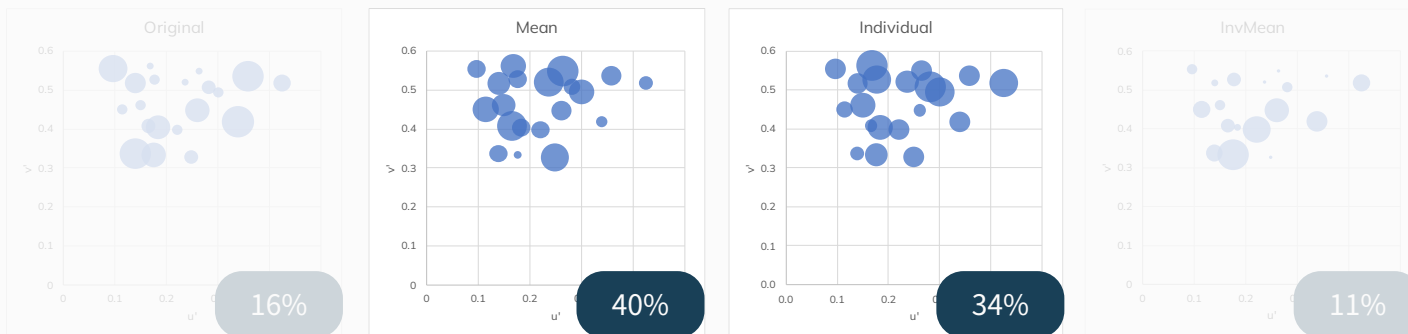


Observers might:

- mostly choose Mean
- mostly choose Individual
- choose half and half



## RG+B LED 2.1





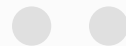
# Method of categorisation

- Observers were categorised in terms of each display and sub-experiment, resulting in 9 results of categorisation in total.
- “Kmeans()” in Python sklearn was used.
- Due to different initial centroids per categorisation, 5000 times of categorising was performed. The result that appeared the most times was taken.
- The results of Mini LED show obvious disparities between subgroups.

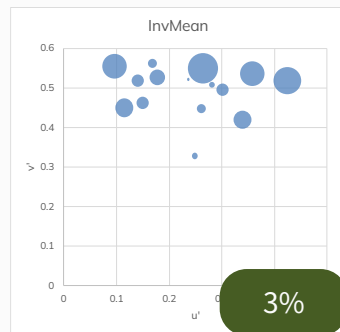
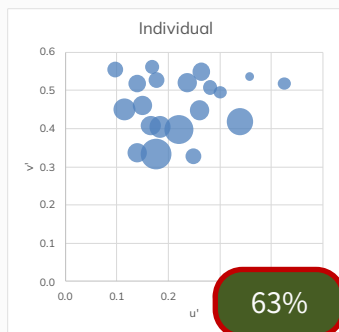
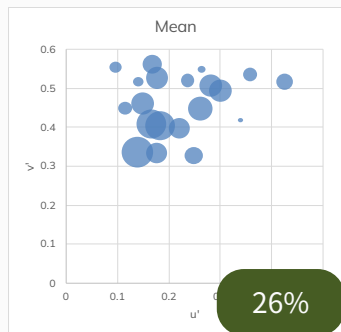
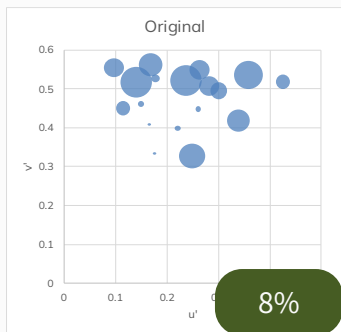




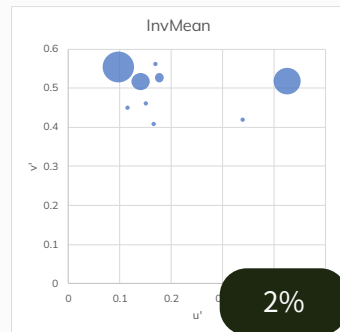
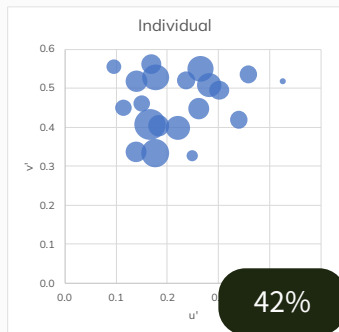
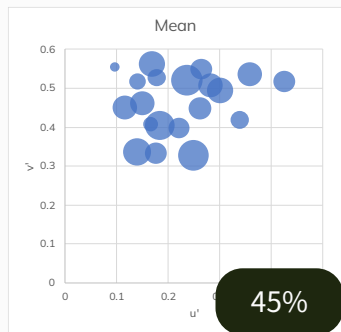
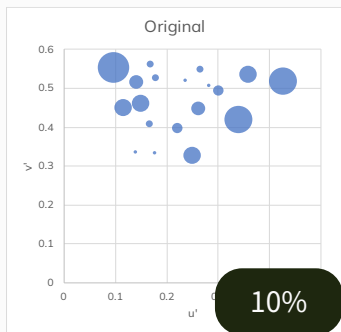
# Categorisation: Results



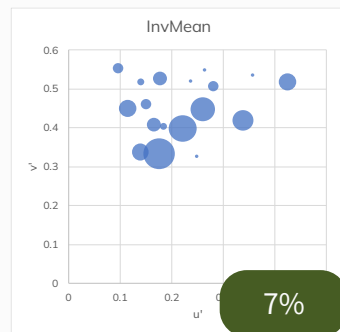
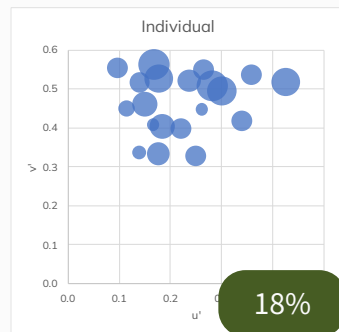
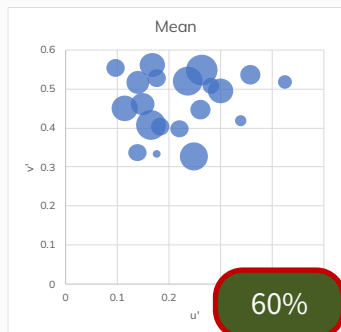
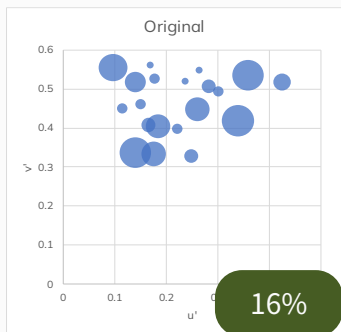
Mini LED 2.1  
Group 1 (8 ppl)



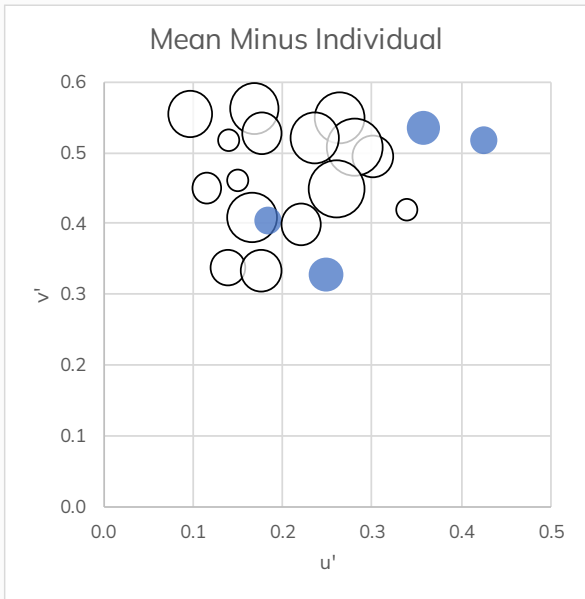
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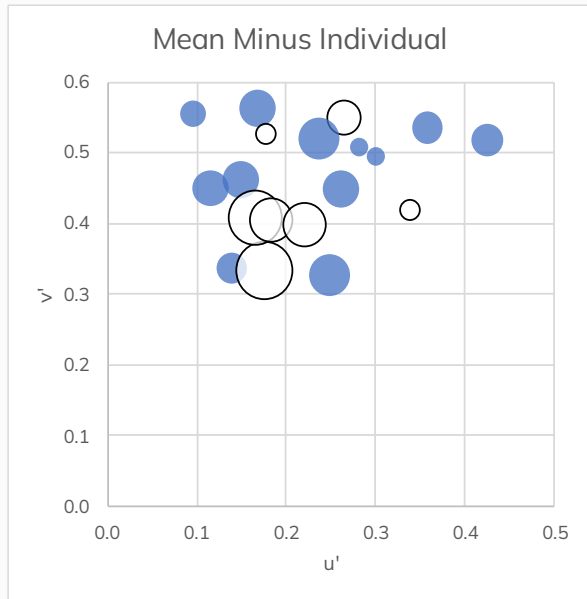
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Group 3 (10 ppl)



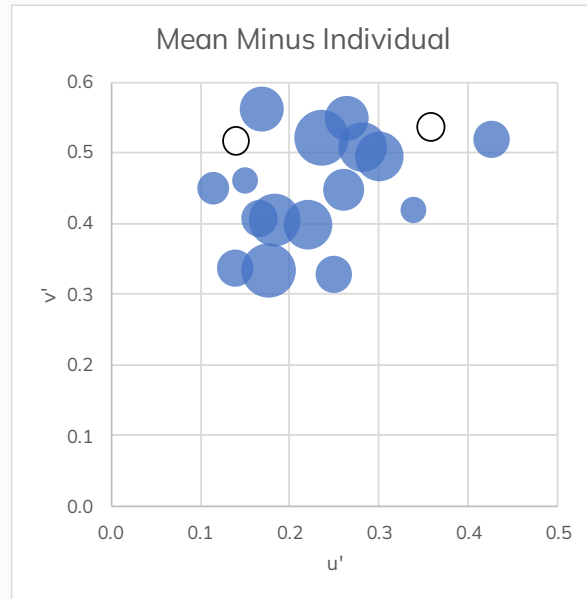
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Group 1 (8 ppl)



Mini LED 2.1  
Group 2 (13 ppl)



Mini LED 2.1  
Group 3 (10 ppl)



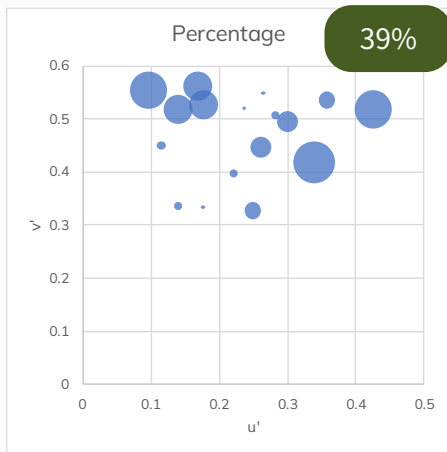
● Positive value    ○ Negative value

Original	Mean	Individual	InvMean
8%	26%	63%	3%

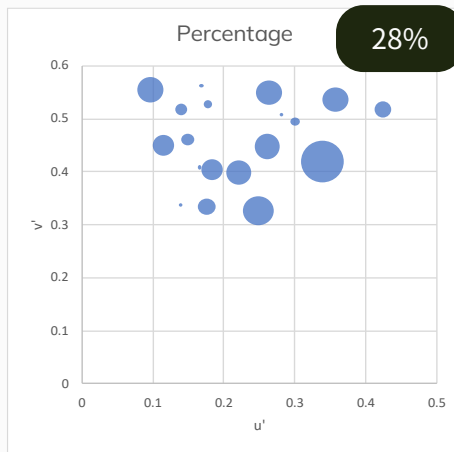
Original	Mean	Individual	InvMean
10%	45%	42%	2%

Original	Mean	Individual	InvMean
16%	60%	18%	7%

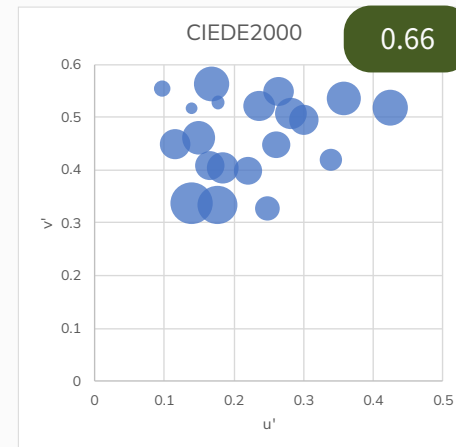
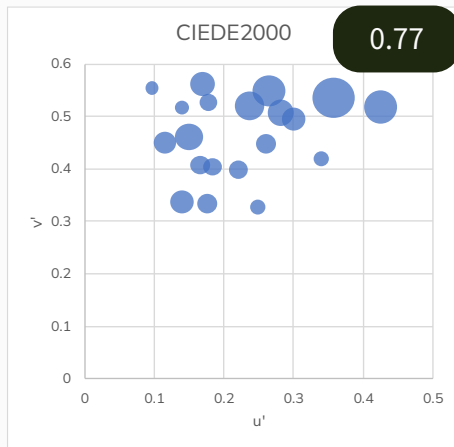
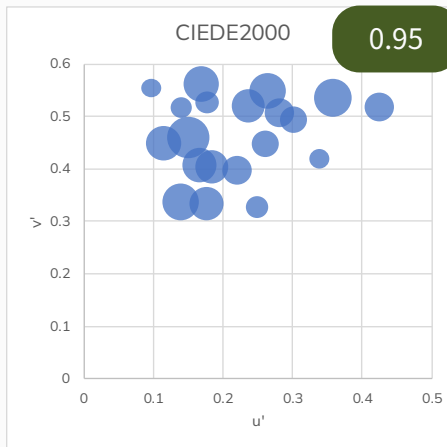
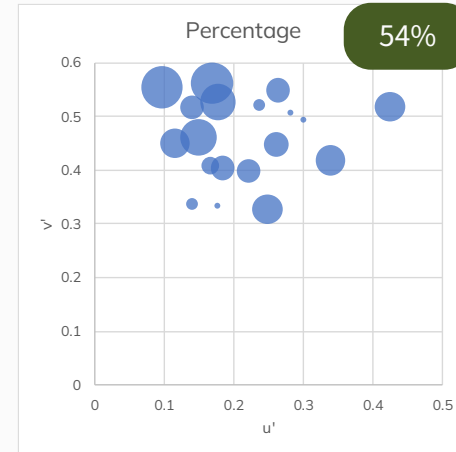
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Group 1 (10 ppl)



Mini LED 2.2  
Group 2 (14 ppl)

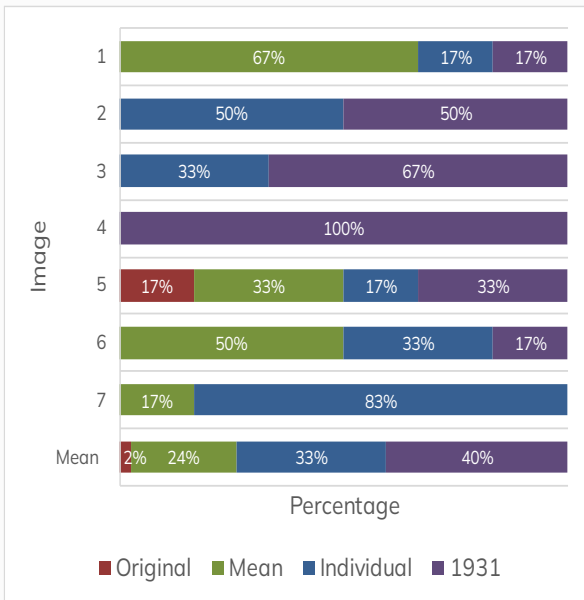


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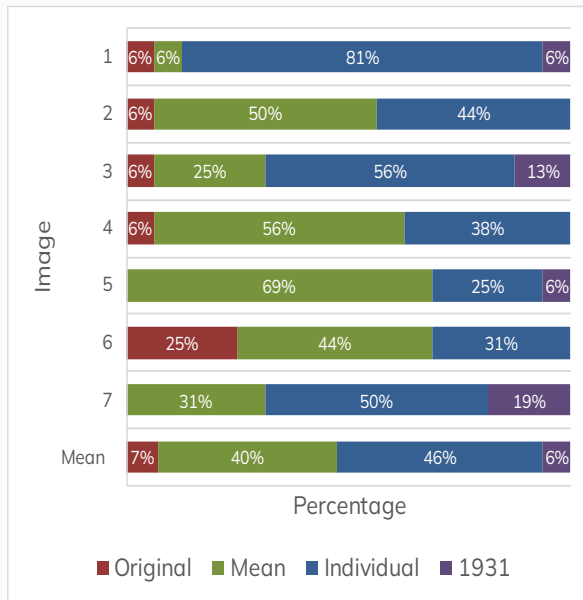




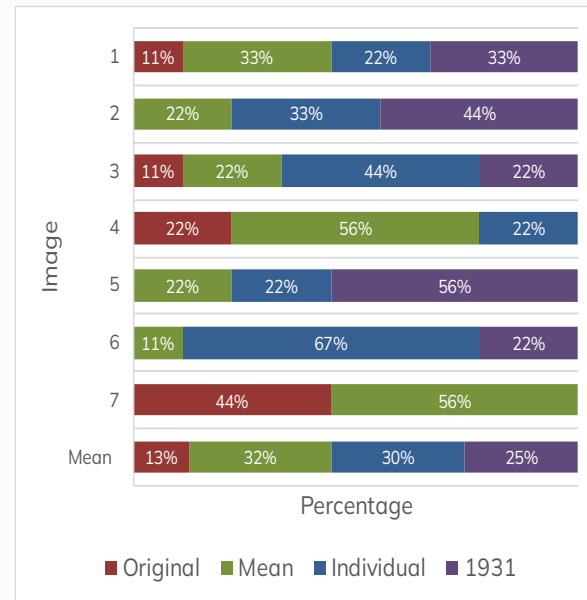
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### Mini LED 2.3 Group 2 (16 ppl)



### Mini LED 2.3 Group 3 (9 ppl)





## Conclusion of Experiment 2

- Results of Experiment 2.1 indicate the Mean/Individual options were more chosen than the original option, highlighting the necessity of CTMs.
- Results of Experiment 2.2 show colour differences between Mean/Individual options were higher on narrower-band backlight display (Mini LED), indicating that the need of colour calibration for users is essential for advanced backlight technology.
- According to the results of categorisation, there were obvious differences within the observers of narrower-band backlight display.
- Future work could focus on developing multiple CTMs to calibrate colours with different chroma or hue, attempting to mitigate observer metamerism efficiently.





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