



How to incorporate color influence in Discomfort Glare models

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Discomfort glare models



HDR imaging

Photometrics measurements



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Daylight Glare Probability



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Limitations!

Unable to predict glare in certain light scenarios including colored lighting



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Is there an influence of the color of daylight (filtered by glazing color) on discomfort glare?



Design of experiment

Participants	55 (18-31 years)
Study design	Within-between mixed factorial design
Dependent variable	Discomfort glare perception
Independent variable	Glare source colour <i>(within subject variable)</i> Glare source luminance <i>(between subject variable)</i>



Experiment protocol

Transmittance high (~2.5%) Transmittance low (~0.37%)



Total datapoints: 224







Glazing transmittance

Glazing	Visible light Transmittance (t _{v,n-} _h) weighted over V(l)
Blue_low	0.39%
Green_low	0.40%
Red_low	0.33%
Neutral_low	0.38%
Blue_high	2.25%
Green_high	2.67%
Red_high	2.48%
Neutral_ high	2.37%
View windows	8.28%





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Glazing color



CIE xy chromaticity coordinates of the glazings.



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Daylight Conditions: Vertical illuminance levels







Daylight Conditions: Luminance values HDR Image-dervied Sun luminance (Millions cd/m2)

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Neutral



Green

Experimental Scenes

Blue

Red



Daylight Conditions: Glare metric values



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Subjective glare responses

Are you experiencing any discomfort due to glare at the moment? Yes No 1.00 0.8 31% 0.80 Daylight Glare Probability (DGP) 70 90 90 90 46% Distribution of votes 65% 72% 0.60 0.39 26 0.40 69% 0.39 ° 0.38 *0.37 54% 0.20 35% 0.2 28% 0.00 Neutral Green Blue Red Green_low Blue_low Red_low Neutral_low **Experimental Scenes** Low Transmittance conditions



Subjective glare responses









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$V(\lambda)$ Spectral Weighting doesn't work here





Getting sun (glare source) spectra





Applying VDGs from Literature: $(V(\lambda)$ for Discomfort Glare)



None of these functions were able to accurately capture the subjective responses.

 $VDG_{1}(\lambda)-10^{\circ} = V10^{\circ}(\lambda) + (0.75 \text{ S}(\lambda))$

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{VDG}_2 \ (\lambda) - 10^{\mathrm{o}} &= \{ 0.606 V'(\lambda) + 0.157 [1.62 \mathsf{L}(\lambda) + \mathsf{M}(\lambda)] \} + 0.751 [L(\lambda) - M(\lambda)] + \\ 0.109 [(1.62 \mathsf{L}(\lambda) + \mathsf{M}(\lambda)) - (-2.3452) S(\lambda)] \end{split}$$

 $VDG_{3} = V(\lambda) + 0.578 * L(\lambda) - 1.235 M(\lambda) + 0.182S(\lambda) + 0.02 * L(\lambda) + M(\lambda) - 5.835S(\lambda)$

 $VDG_4 = B(\lambda) = V(\lambda) + 0.5 Mel(\lambda) + 0.6S(\lambda)$



Y. Yang, R.M. Luo, W. Huang, Assessing glare, Part 3: glare sources having different colours, Light. Res. Technol., 50 (2018),

Using Brightness instead of Luminance

Helmholtz-Kohlrausch effect (H-K effect)

Saturated colors appear to glow stronger compared to their equiluminant but less saturated counterparts



Applying Color Appearance Models (CAM)* that accounts for H-K effect

CAM15u (Withouck et al., 2015) Based on unrelated stimuli

CAM18sl (Hermans et al., 2018) Based on unrelated self-luminous stimuli

CIECAM16 (revised version by Hellwig et al., 2024) General purpose CAM model recommended by CIE



*CAM model predicts the appearance, represented by perceptual attributes of brightness, colorfulness, hue, saturation, and whiteness.

Applying Brightness Models





Applying Brightness Models

Normalized Brightness of Experiment Scene compared across three models



Luminance Normalized to CAM range



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Parameters:

 $\alpha = 0,05 \text{ cd} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}; \quad \beta = 2,24 \text{ cd} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}; \quad k = 1,3;$

and f(x, y) is the chromatic contribution at a moderate photopic luminance level that is formulated by using only the chromaticity coordinates of the object or light, x and y, as follows (Nakano et al., 1999):

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left[-0,005 4 - 0,21 x + 0,77 y + 1,44 x^{2} - 2,97 x y + 1,59 y^{2} - 2,11 (1 - x - y) y^{2}\right] - \log y$$
(5)

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Comparing Equivalent luminance





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0.7 0.6 10.59 0.59 **DGP (Leq_White)** 0.55 0.53 0.46 0.44 0.42 10.4 0.3 0.2 Red Neutral Green Blue **Experimental Scenes**

Comparing modified DGP



Modified

Original

Summary

- Red glazing is most disturbing, closely followed by blue glazing in creating discomfort glare. While Color-neutral as well as the green glazing are more comfortable ones.
- Spectral weighting $V(\lambda)$ is not suitable to characterize luminance (or glare) under brightly lit colored lighting conditions- need to consider H-K effect.
- Models which account for the H-K effect were better at predicting the perceived glare from colored sources where metrics based solely on luminance would fail.
- CAM models have a limited range of luminances over which they can accurately predict the H-K effect, more refinement is needed to predict glare of very high luminance stimuli.
- Additional extensive experiments are needed to validate, adjust, or develop a new glare model.



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