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### JRP EPM 21NRM01 HiDyn

Support for the standardisation of luminance distribution measurements for assessing glare and obtrusive light using high-dynamic-range imaging systems

Johannes Ledig August 29<sup>th</sup> 2025

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# Project administrative information

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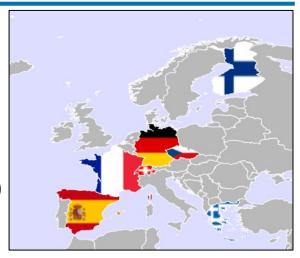
Normative Joint Research project EPM 21NRM01 HiDyn:

• Start: 1st October 2022; Duration: 36 Months

Consortium: six NMIs and three universities from seven European countries

Coordination: PTB, Dr. Johannes Ledig

• Funded in the **Normative Call 2021** of the European Partnership on Metrology (EPM) and Swiss national funding for two associated partners.



Project number: 21NRM01

Project name: Support for the standardisation of luminance distribution measurements for assessing

glare and obtrusive light using high-dynamic-range imaging systems

Project acronym: HiDyn

Call: Pre-Co-Normative (2021)

Topic: SRT n08

Type of action: Metrology Partnership Research and Innovation actions

Granting authority: EURAMET e.V



## Outline



- Needs
- Consortium and Objectives to be addressed
- Structure of the JRP
- Achievements
- Upcoming Dissemination, Workshops

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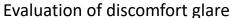


### Needs for high-dynamic-range imaging systems



# tasks involving vision in lighting environments with very high luminance contrast







Increased safety in street lighting



Support for fundamental research

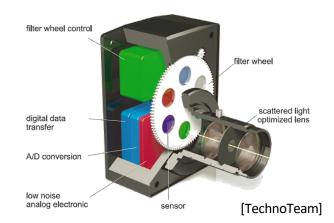


Documenting environmental impact of light pollution

[demonstrating photos by partner ICCS]

### **Uptake of Outcomes and Impact**

- National metrology institutes
- Manufacturers of imaging luminance measurement devices (ILMDs) implementing adjustments
- ILMD operators evaluating glare and obtrusive light (researchers, luminaire designers, assessors)
- Scientific community addressing obtrusive light and glare
- Citizen/communities impacted by obtrusive light, glare and high-contrast luminance scenes



**Main Goal:** 

to enable the traceability of HDR luminance measurements

### Objectives of EPM JRP 21NRM01 HiDyn



### Main Goal: to enable the traceability of HDR luminance measurements

Objective 1: To develop <u>luminance standards</u> with high dynamic contrast pattern

- 2: To model and validate HDR luminance measurements
- 3: To develop a <u>harmonised metric</u> for generating traceable HDR-luminance images
- 4: To develop guidelines on the determination of <u>uncertainty</u> budgets
- 5: To contribute to the standards development work

#### **Chief Stakeholder:**

**International Commission** on Illumination (CIE)



### Partners of the European consortium

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Unfunded (NMI and university)



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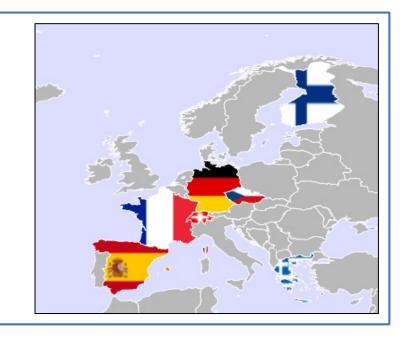
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### Work Packages and Tasks



WP1: Characterization of HDR imaging measurement systems for luminance, glare and obtrusive light (CSIC)

Task 1.1: Development of high-contrast-luminance references standard source

Task 1.2: Development of procedures for the characterisation of HDR imaging measurement systems

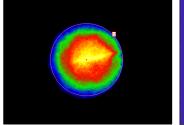
Task 1.3: Experimental verification of HDR luminance measurements and assessment of glare and obtrusive light



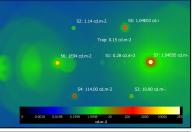
Task 2.1: Development of an HDR algorithm selection method

Task 2.2: Selection of an HDR algorithm

Task 2.3: Implementation of the HDR algorithm into source code







### WP3: Uncertainty evaluation of HDR luminance measurements (METAS)

Task 3.1: Development of a model for the uncertainty evaluation of HDR luminance measurements

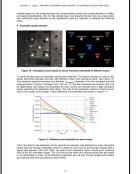
Task 3.2: Development of a model to evaluate the uncertainty of glare and obtrusive light measurements

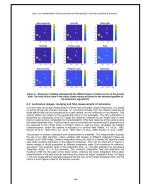
**WP4: Creating impact** (PTB)

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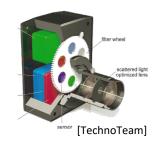
**WP5: Management and coordination (PTB)** 











### Achievements: CIE Conference 2023





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#### SPECTRAL DEPENDENT NON-LINEARITY OF CHARGE ACCUMULATING PIXEL MATRIX SENSORS

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multiple regions in the image because the corresponding scene may contain elements of different spectral distributions. But for this simple linear non-linearity function only two data points with sufficiently large distance at the signal/load scale are required to estimate the effective slope.

#### 5 Example measurement





Figure 10 - Exemplary scene based on eleven luminance standards of different colour

To verify the approach an exemplary scene was measured. The scene consists of a set of LED based luminance standard sources with different colour and luminance level, see Figure 10. The analogue signal processing non-linearity  $f_{\rm NLaignree}$  originates from the averaged spectral measurements in Figure 7 between 350...500 nm. To rate the combined non-linearity that is to be determined, the overall non-linearities for each source are derived from a high-resolution series regarding the integration time steps. The size of the evaluation regions of each source were 31x31 nivels of the image. These reference non-linearities are shown in Figure 11.

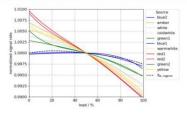


Figure 11 -Reference non-linearities for each source

Then, the data for the estimation of the spectral non-linearity was gathered by a low-resolution series with just enough integration times to collect for each source at least two images with a signal load between 20% and 100%. No pixel of the evaluation region should be in overload (end of the AD-converter range). The 20% limit at the lower end should ensure that the signal is not dominated by noise. In the following evaluation we use only the two images with lowest and highest load level according to above limits.

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#### PO33

#### FRAMEWORK FOR EVALUATION OF PROCEDURES FOR HDR LUMINANCE IMAGING MEASUREMENTS

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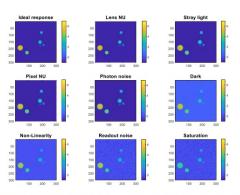


Figure 3 – Sequence of adding subsequently the different types of camera errors to the ground truth. The units of the value in the colour coded values are those for the decimal logarithm of the luminance, logaricd/m²).

#### 2.3 Luminance images, merging and final measurement of luminance

In a third step, the virtual measurement is done from simulated camera responses. It is based no poing through the process inversely, i.e. correcting virtually from the camera response all those effects that can be corrected as for a real camera, as non-uniformity or non-linearity. This method allows the impact of the unreducible errors to be evaluated. The dark subtraction is performed by subtracting to the GT image the response obtained by the model when a zero matrix is used as input, simulating the characterization of the dark response of the camera using the same integration time. The  $F_{NN}$  matrix used for correcting the nonuniformity is obtained from the response of the model when a constant matrix is used as input, simulating the flatfield characterization, where the camera is exposed to a uniform field (Milton, A.F. et al., 1995, Schulz, M. et al., 1995, Perry, D. L. et al., 1993, Zhou, H. et al., 2005, Ferror, A. et al., 2006.

The process of camera calibration and measurement is modelled. The measurement includes the use of an HDR algorithm, where multiple LDR images at different integration times are merged in an HDR image. Several integration times are used to increase the signal-to-noise ratio while avoiding saturation in the highest luminances. This can be observed in Figure 4, where images of virtual acquisition at different integration times, from maximum to minimum, are shown. The reduction factor of the integration time, i.e., the ratio between two successive integration times, is 4 in this example. The maximum integration time will determine the maximum SNR for the pixel at the lower levels, whereas the lower integration times allow measurements of the light sources saturating the camera at higher integration times. In great 4, the only image without saturated values is the last one, at the lowest integration time, but the cost is a much higher noise for the dimmer sources.

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### Achievements: field measurements in M18



Measurement session at the **LED catwalk in Berlin** (street installation for research) during the M18 full consortium meeting Stable scene with **additional targets** for evaluation: **grey cards, light traps**, and three high contrast **luminance sources** (CMI)

Measurement devices: (various configurations of focus, aperture, neutral density filter, lens)

• ILMDs from four partners (TUB, CNAM, METAS, PTB)

• DSLRs from two partners (EPFL, PTB)

spot luminance meter and flicker meter (PTB)



Photo of the measurement setup on 14.03.2024

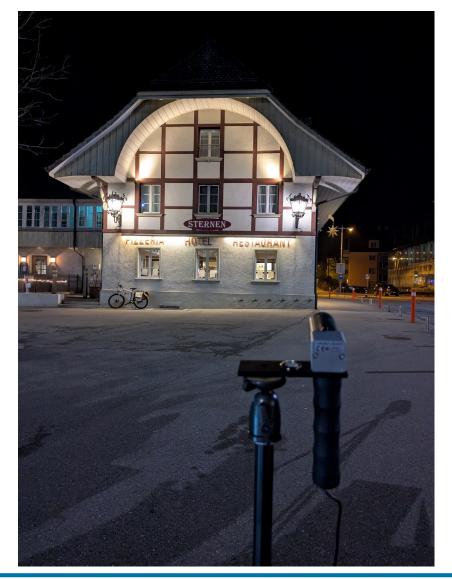


HDR luminance image (logarithmic look-up table, luminance values > 430 cd/m² are clipped)

### Achievements: field measurement session in M29

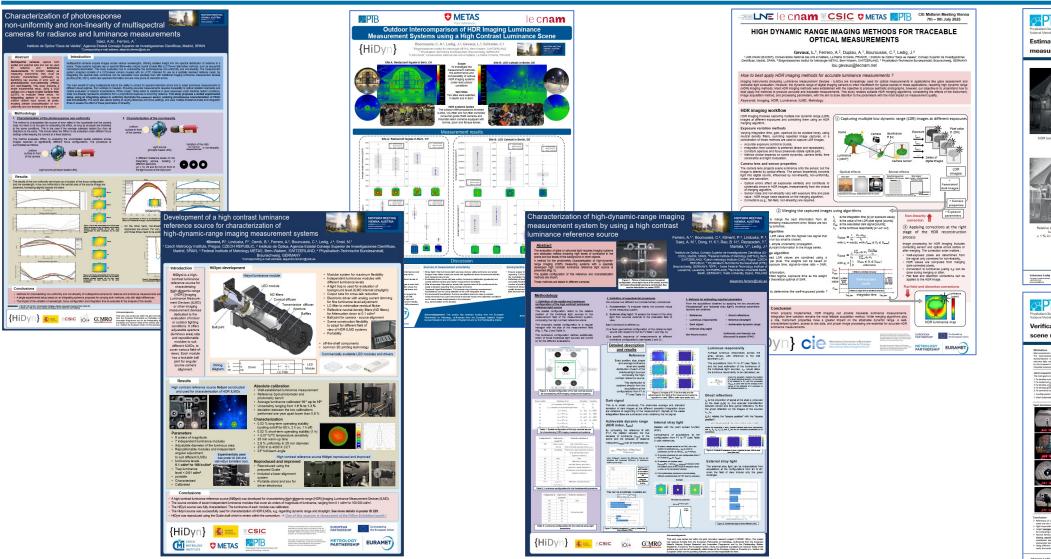


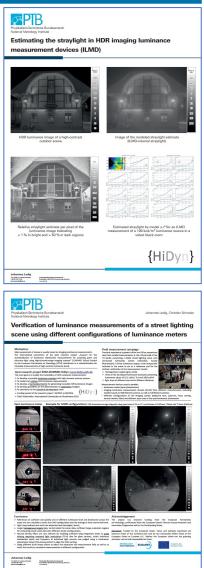




### Achievements: CIE Conference 2025







### WP4: Creating impact



### Dissemination in relevant technical committees:

Standards Committee / Technical Committee		
/ Working Group		
CIE TC 2-62	PTB	
CIE TC 2-86	EPFL (chair), CNAM, METAS, PTB	
CIE TC 2-95	METAS (chair), PTB	
CIE TC 2-96	PTB (chair), CSIC, METAS	
<b>CIE TC 3-57</b>	EPFL, TUB	
CIE TC 4-xx	TUB (chair)	
CIE TC 4-50	TUB / monitoring via NCs	
CIE TC 4-58	METAS	
CIE TC 8-18	CSIC	
CIE JTC 12	CSIC (chair), CNAM, METAS, PTB, CMI	
<b>CEN TC-169 – WG11</b>	EPFL	
<b>CEN TC-169 – WG7</b>	METAS, PTB	
DIN FNL	PTB	

#### Reportership on HDR for CIE Division 2 and new TC proposal:

METAS together with PTB will summarize output from WP1, WP2 and WP3 to a report for the CIE (e.g., in terms of a Reportership on HDR imaging measurements). In the same context, they will prepare a proposal for a new CIE TC on HDR measurements

Deliverable 8: contributions to new or improved international standards development work (focus on TCs of Division 2 and Division 4 of CIE)

#### Dissemination to industrial stakeholders

dedicated to prerequisites for traceable instrumentation

→ exhibition booth at the CIE Quadrennial Session 2025, Vienna

#### Workshop for end users and research institutes

dedicated on an introduction to HDR measurement background, theory on glare and obtrusive light measurements, implementation guidelines on how to scale an HDR luminance image to a traceable spot measurement

#### **Supportive stakeholders**





















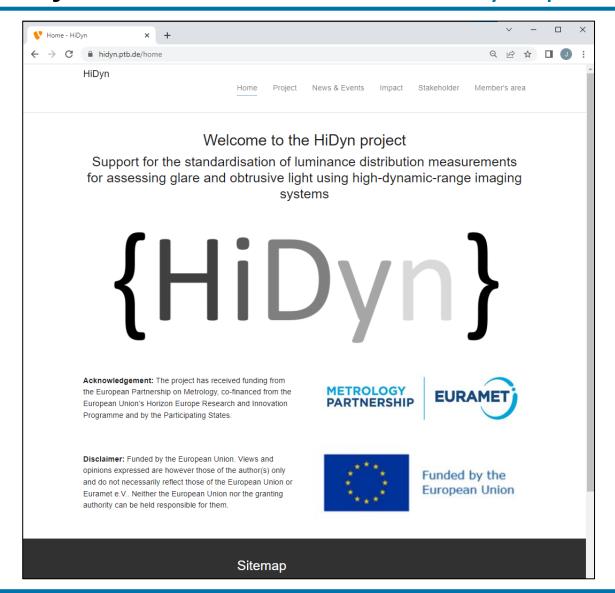


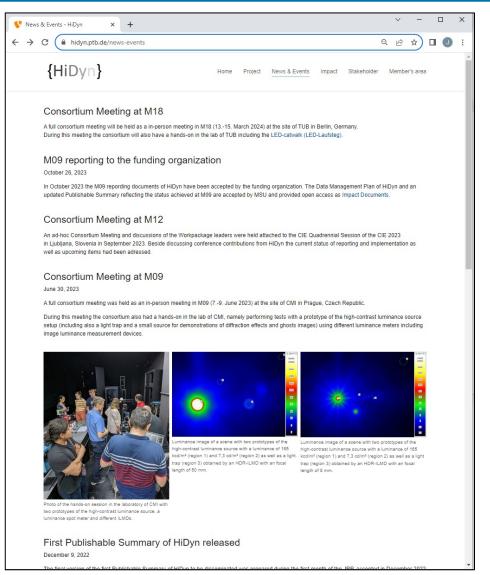


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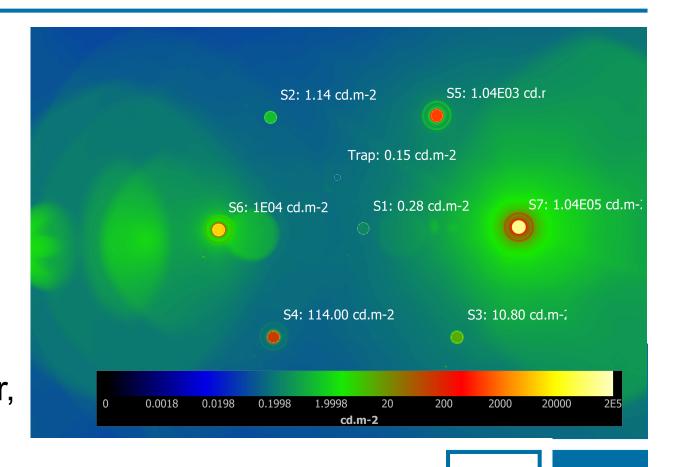




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# Characterization of imaging devices using reference light sources

Johannes Ledig, Petr Kliment, Alejandro Ferrero, Christian Schrader, Sumita Pommerol, Costi Bouroussis August 28<sup>th</sup> 2025



### High contrast luminance source: revised prototype



Based on commercially available off-the-shelf components and 3D-printing technology:

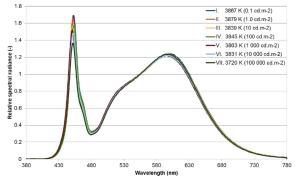
• White LEDs on PCB and diffuser: <a href="Philipps FORTIMO">Philipps FORTIMO</a> LED DLM FLEX 5000/840 GEN2 LED module diameter of about 60 mm, colour temperature 4000 K, Luminous flux 5000 lm.

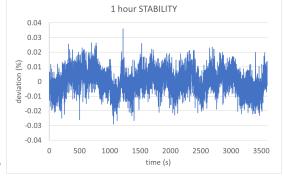
• LED driver (stabilised current source): XITANIUM 50W WH AM dimming reduces the current through the LEDs

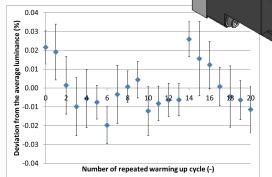
 Neutral density filters (as a stack inside a light mixing chamber) combined with dimming via a digital parameter of the driver

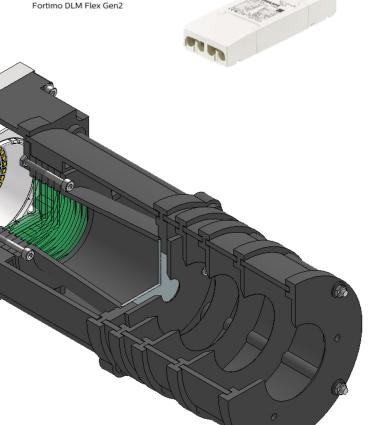
➤ Long term stability: repetitive operation, low drift after stabilization

➤ Prototype: 7 particular sources to cover 6 orders at hand with luminance values from about 0.1 cd/m² to about 100 kcd/m²





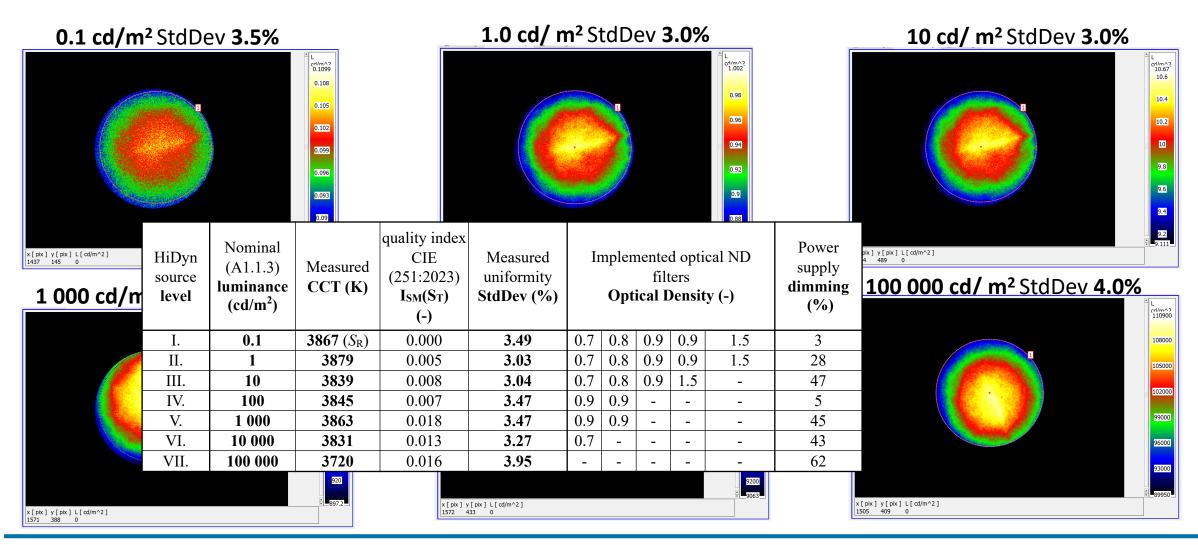




### High contrast luminance source: revised prototype

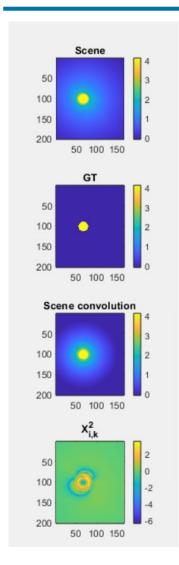


Spatial uniformity (aperture diameter 45 mm, viewed by an ILMD placed normal to the emitting surface)



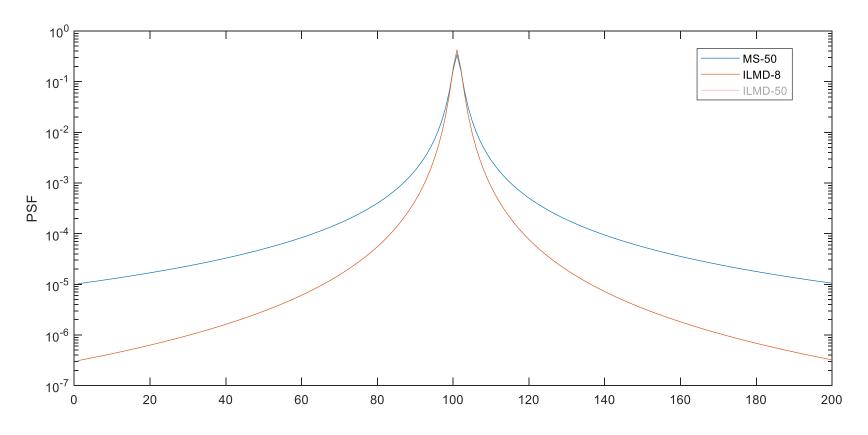
## Characterization of ILMD-internal stray light

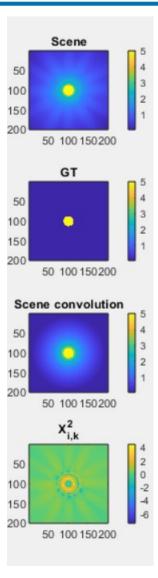




### **Point Spread Function (PSF)**

for estimating the straylight in measurements close to the light source



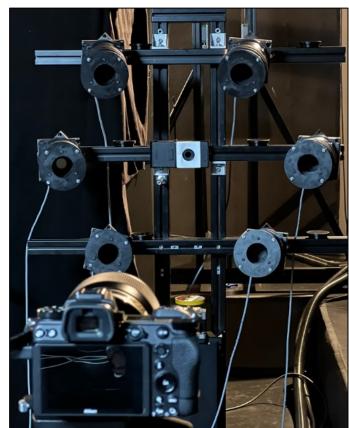


### Achievements: lab-based measurement session in M18



Characterization of ILMDs and industrial vision cameras using seven prototypes of the revised high contrast luminance source in a measurement session at the lab of CMI in Prague on 05.-07.03.2024 together with partners CSIC and METAS.

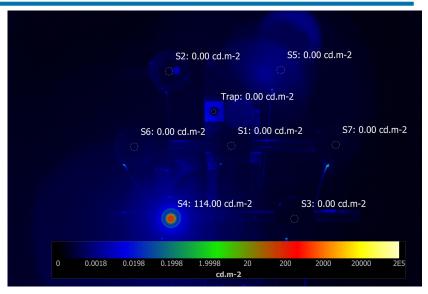
Using various arrangement of sources and ILMD configurations (lenses, aperture)



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LDR luminance image with all luminance sources lit

HDR luminance image with one source lit (top) and with all sources lit (botom)



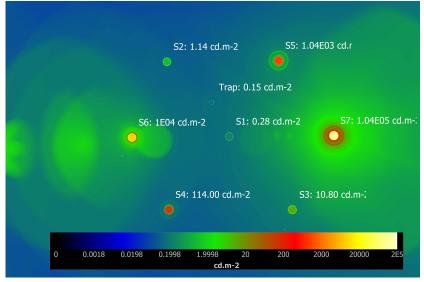


Photo of the setup at CMI, with room illumination

## Design Guide: high-contrast luminance source





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D1: Report describing the design, development and technical specification of a type of high-contrast-luminance reference standard (covering at least 6 orders of magnitude), including the determination of luminance with an expanded uncertainty no larger than 1 % for the brightest source and no larger than 2 % for the dimmest one

Organisation name of the lead participant for the deliverable: CSIC

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4.9 Manual how-to assembly the module

The 3D model of one of the assembled Hidyni module is shown in Figure 11. The construction of each of the 7 modules is very similar. A particular module is assembled from the components listed in the appropriate tables see the section 4.8. In the following. How-to assembly the module manual is provided based on the

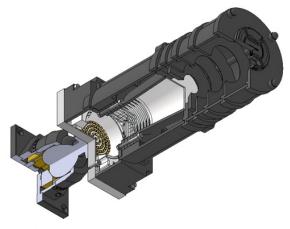


Figure 11: rendering of the 3D model of one assembled Hidyni module with cover cap

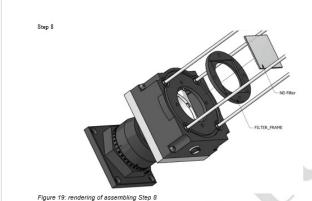


Table 21 Parts for Step 8

Parts Description	Qty.
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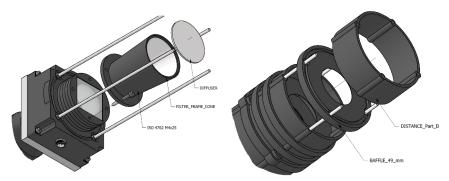
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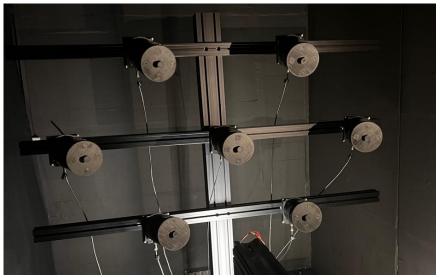
### High contrast luminance source: replicated at METAS

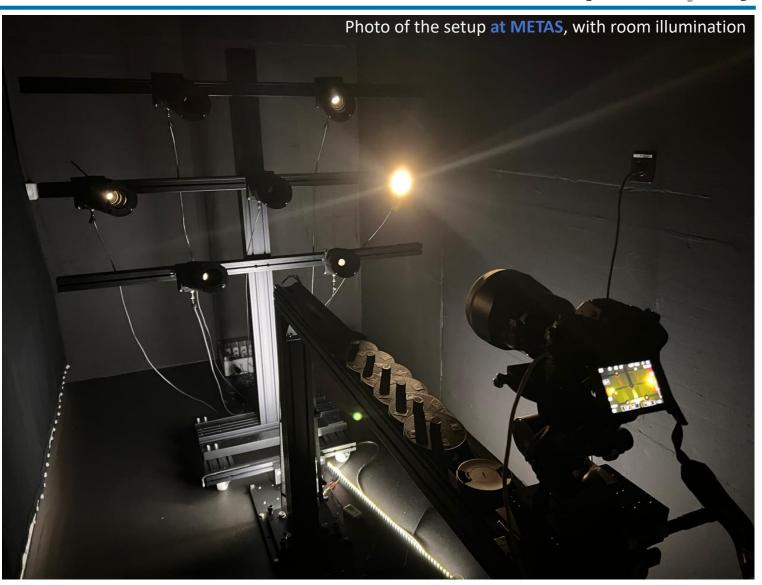
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### **Design guide** (internal draft, used by METAS)

- •Bill of Materials, 3D printed parts (STL-files)
- Assembly manual; minor modifications @METAS

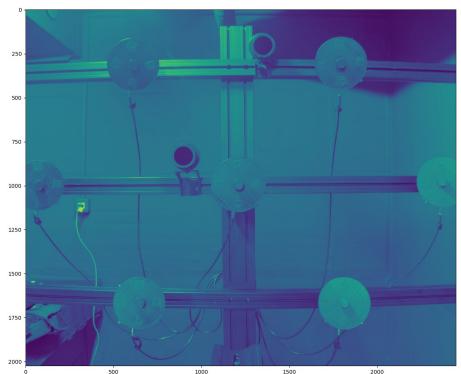




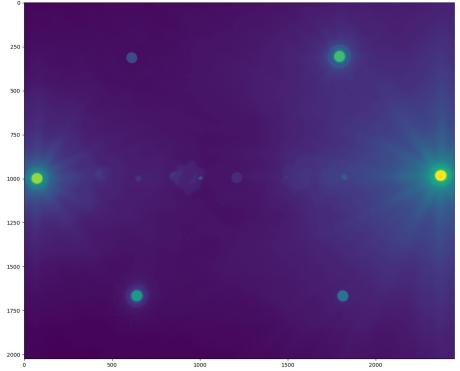


## Motivation and example

- measurement uncertainty for ILMD-based HDR measurements for glare assessment
- "HiDyni"-reference source dedicated for characterization of ILMDs (seven LED-based luminance sources and a light trap)



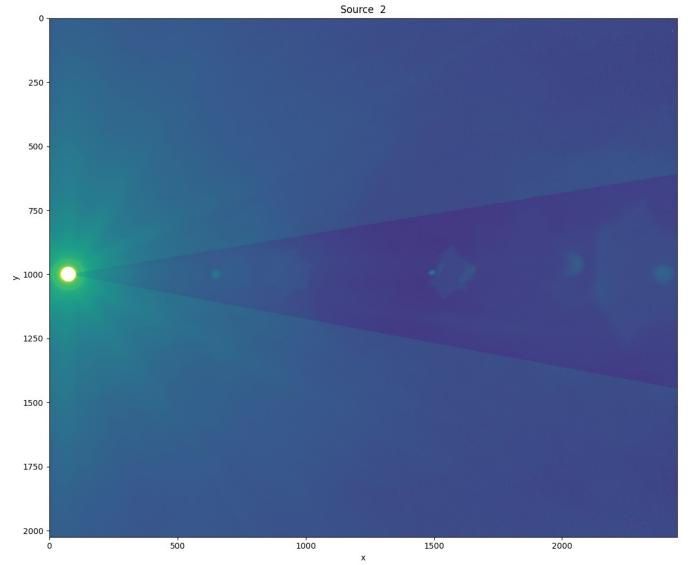
False colour luminance image with room illumination and each of the seven HiDyni sources blanked out by a cover



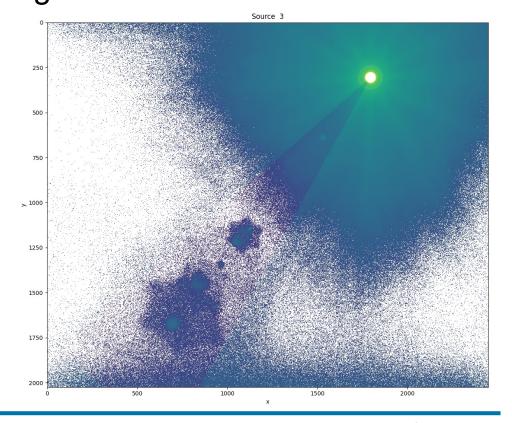
Fase colour luminance image with all seven sources open and lit, demonstrating straylight and ghosts

# How to estimate straylight? First steps...



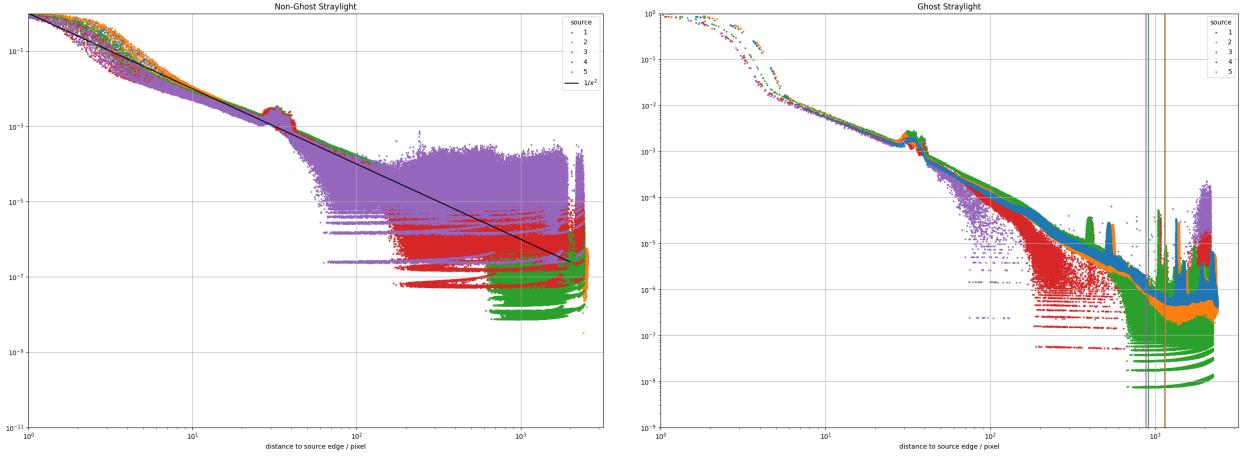


- use single-source HDR images
- determine ghost corridor (dark triangle)
   → mask out most of the ghosts
- background considered as ideal black!



## First results...

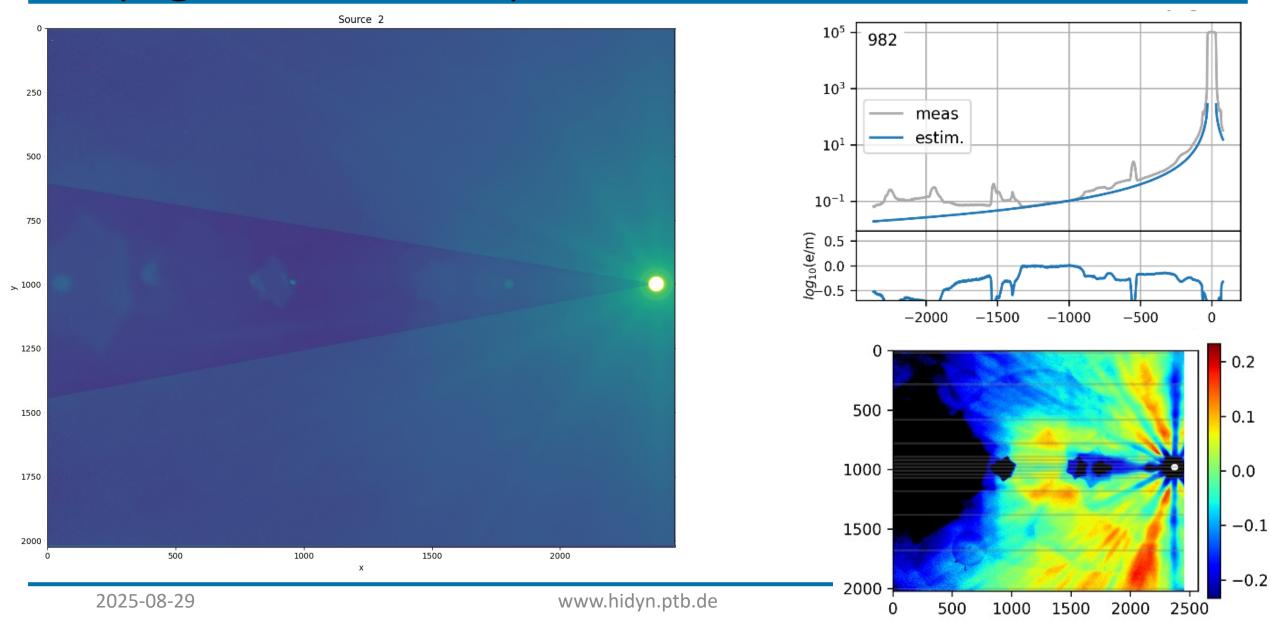




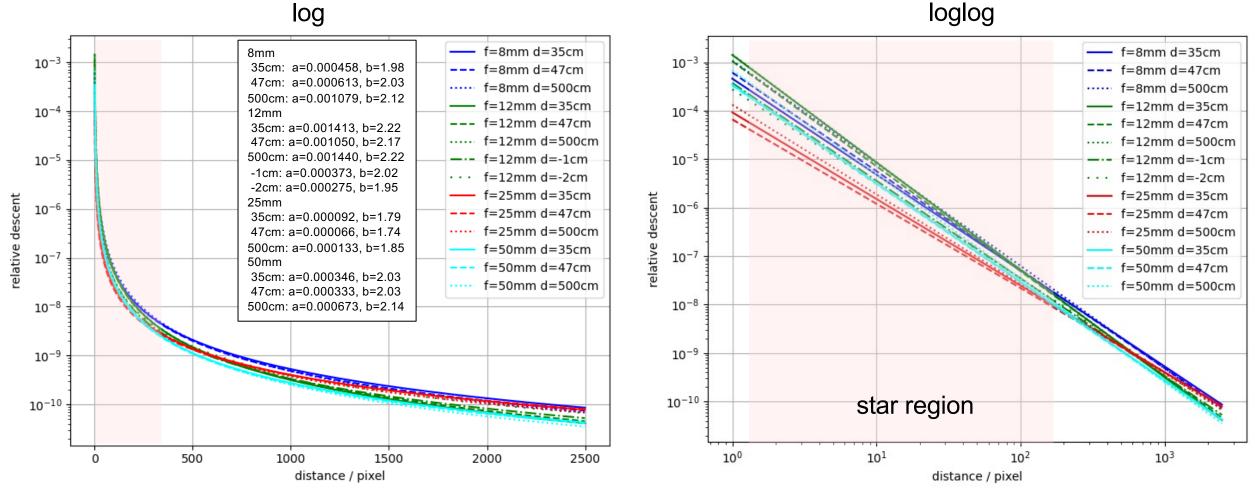
- with loglog-scaling mostly linear (if sufficient signal and not near source)
  - $\rightarrow$  power function, not exponential! Can be modelled by  $a \cdot r^b$

# Straylight estimate by $a \cdot r^b$





# Spread of straylight-parameters for ILMD lenses {HiDyn}



- small variation of parameters between lenses
- variation caused by focus distance even smaller

# Straylight estimate in field measurements





HDR luminance image of a high-contrast outdoor scene

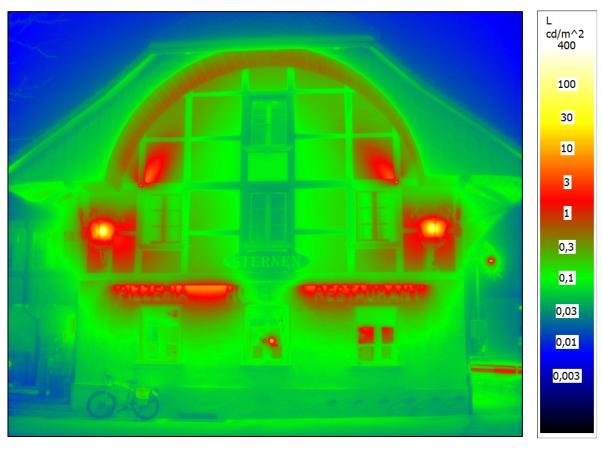


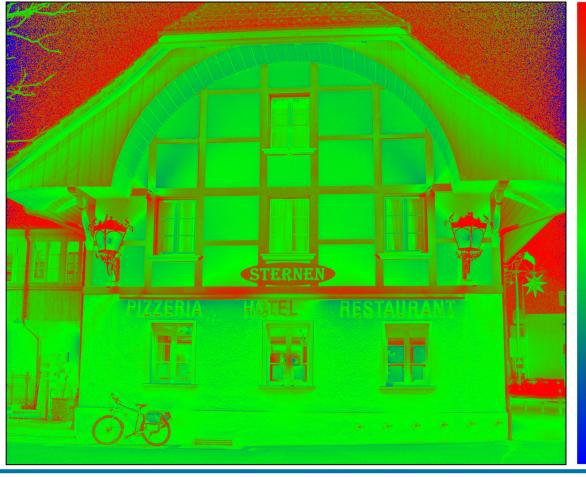
Image of the modeled straylight estimate (ILMD-internal straylight)

# Straylight estimate in field measurements





Relative straylight estimate image indicating < 1 % in bright and > 50 % in dark regions



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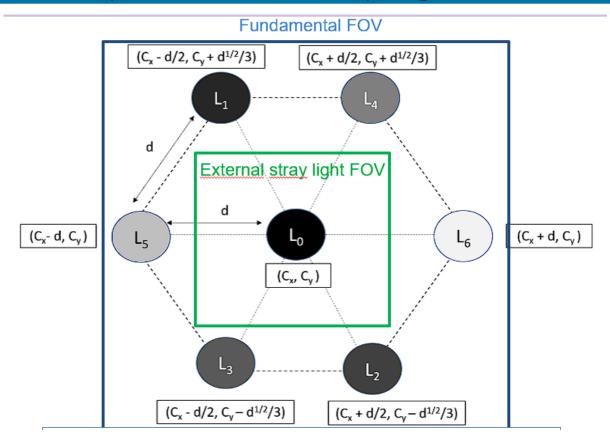
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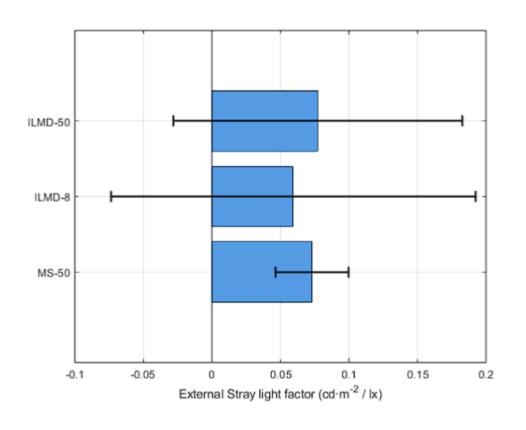
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# Example for straylight from outside image



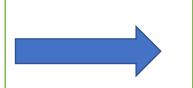




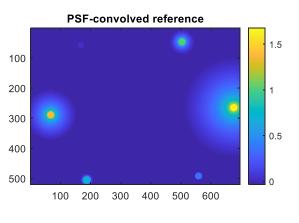
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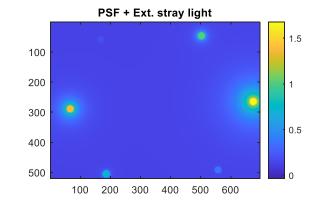


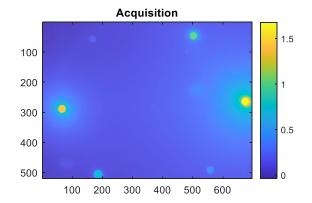
Characterization of effects (internal and external stray light, ...) using individual sources, while others are OFF

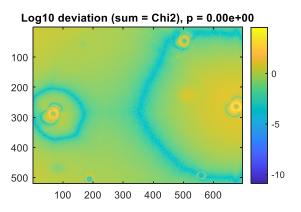


Verification with all sources ON at the same time



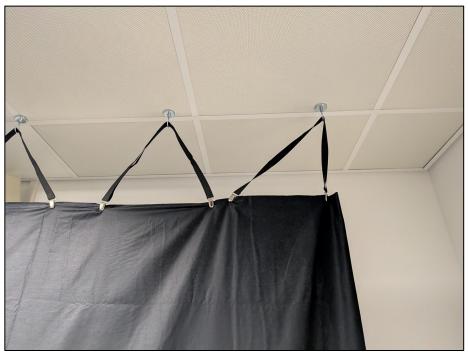






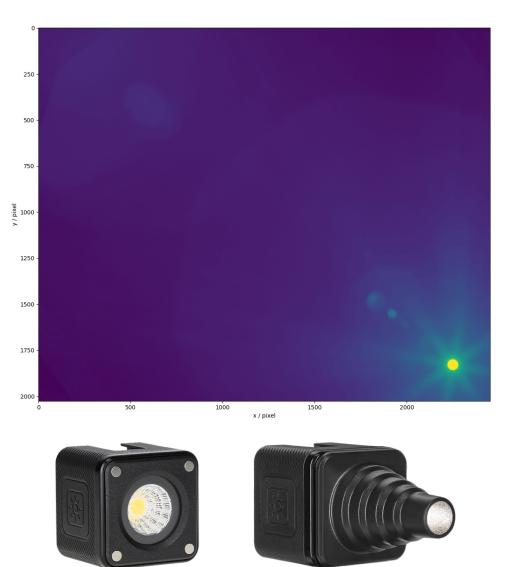
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# White dark room with black curtain

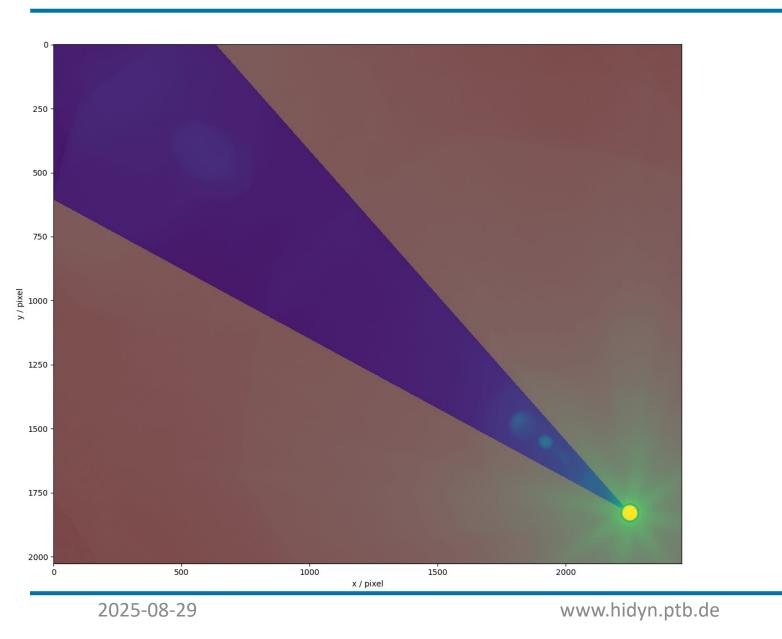


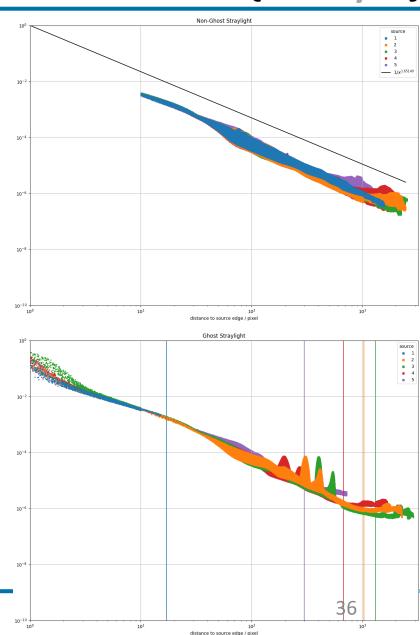




# White dark room with black curtain

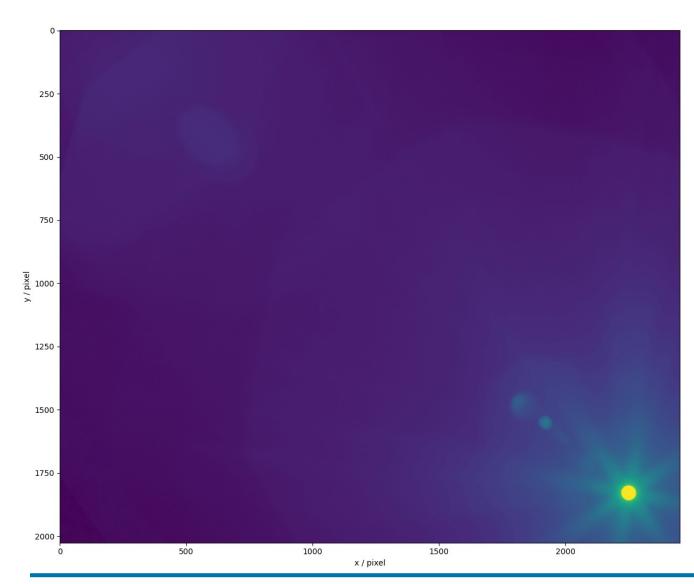


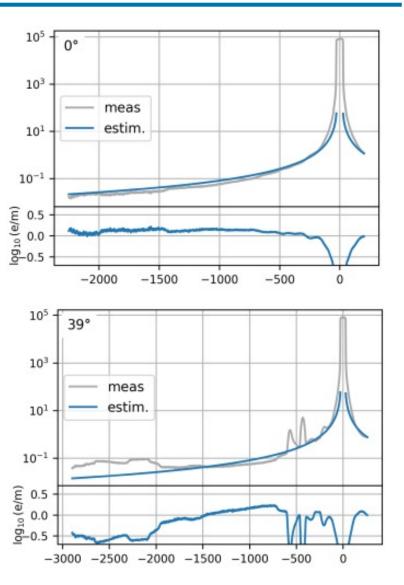




## White dark room with black curtain





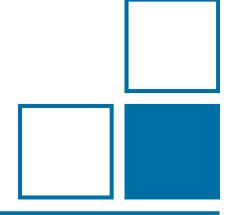




### Checklist of ILMD configuration

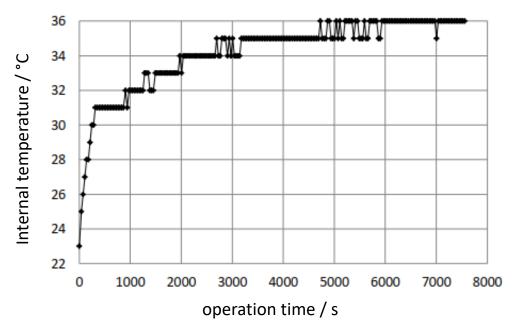
To avoid significant errors which cannot be covered by uncertainties

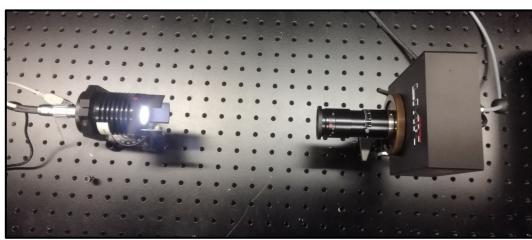
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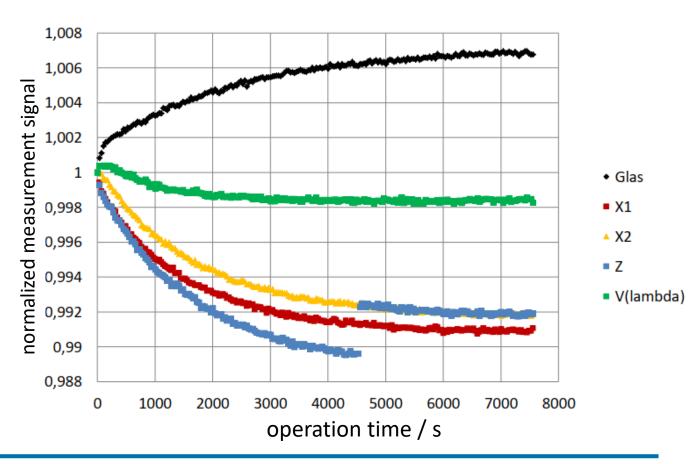
### ILMD Temperatur characteristic after power on







TechnoTeam LMK 98-4 color: self heating by about 14°C

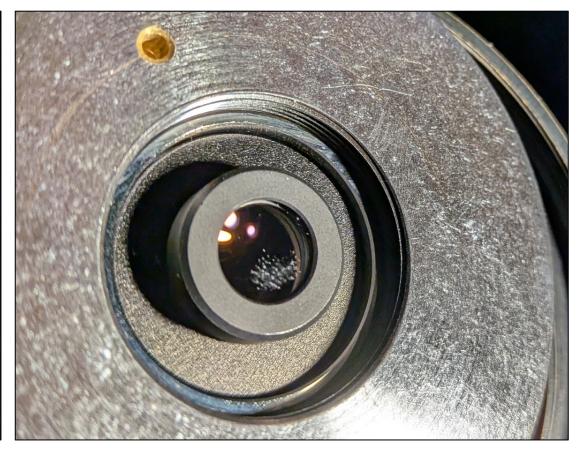


# PIB aspects that should be ensured

Good state of device components correct assembly and professional handling, i.e. clean and not damaged, documentation of usage and relevant aspects of storage/transport, (consider using clean room gloves when handling optical surfaces and blow dust away by N<sub>2</sub> or oil free air)



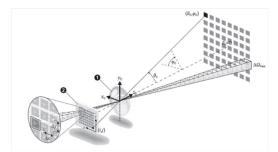


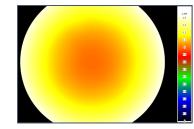


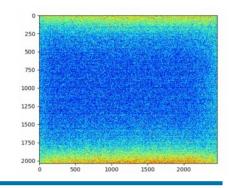
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- Good state of device components
   correct assembly and professional handling, i.e. clean and not damaged,
   documentation of usage and relevant aspects of storage/transport,
   (consider using clean room gloves when handling optical surfaces and blow dust away by N<sub>2</sub> or oil free air)
- Selection of an adequate objective lens (aperture, focal length and zoom)
   resulting in a field of view that is fitting to the application, i.e. a focal length as large as possible.
- Selection of an adequate neutral density filter (c.f. integration time)
   to avoid extremely short integration times where the timing uncertainty gets relevant
- to avoid/reduce effects of Temporal Light Modulation (TLM)
- Setting of utilized optical components into the control software

   i.e. type and serial number of the objective lens, neutral density filter.
   (this is relevant also for relative measurements inside the image, it might reset to default after start-up)
- Adjustment data loaded into the control software
   (configuration file, calibration file for internal corrections, user defined corrections) belonging to t (consider aging and replacement/maintenance of components since the characterization)
- Stabilized internal temperature for all components
   i.e. ILMD in operation (powered up and initialized, i.e. imaging loop) for more than one hour
- Dark signal correction inside the control software belonging to the operation mode (i.e. binning, smoothing, integration time) and aging state (pixel characteristic might change)

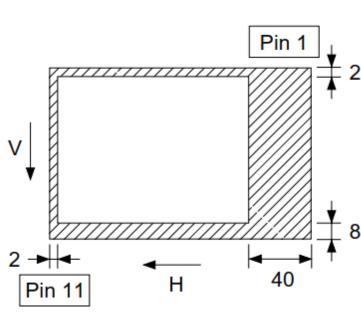




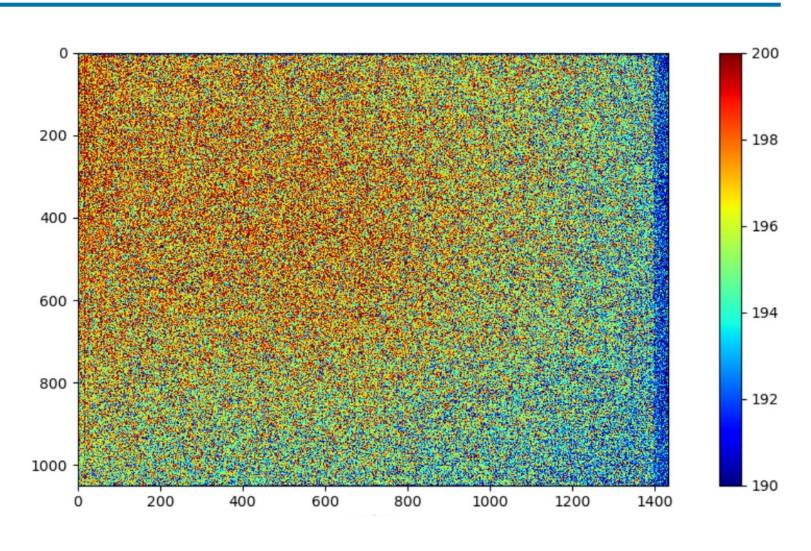


## Dark image incl. optical black pixel (ICX285)



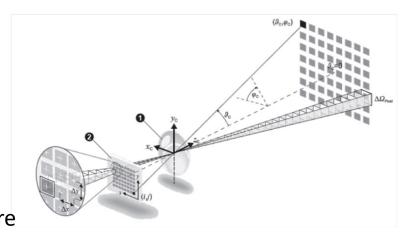


Optical black position (Top View)



# PB control software corresponding to hardware setting

- Zoom value of the objective lens
- Aperture value of the objective lens
- Neutral density filter
- Focus value of the objective lens measurement plane in focus, focus setting or focus distance provided to the control software



### Integration time

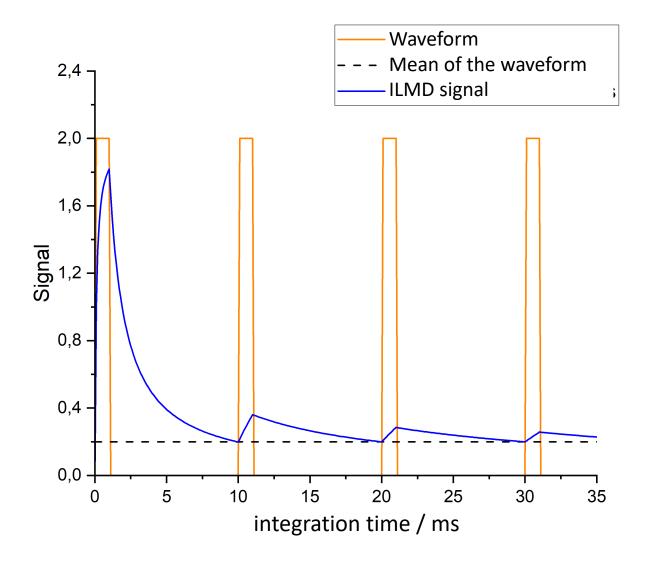
sufficiently long to reach a signal level well above the detection limit but within the dynamic range and to avoid sensor-internal timing issues in the  $\mu$ s-domain, integration time should be an integer multiple of the temporal light modulation period; avoid blooming as this in general also affects the result from all other pixel) by using an appropriate ND-filter (and setting this inside the control software, c.f. neutral density filter).

### Region of interest:

is each evaluation region many pixels in size and homogeneous? consider smoothing parameters (i.e. averaging or median filtering)

# Temporal modulated light: PWM example



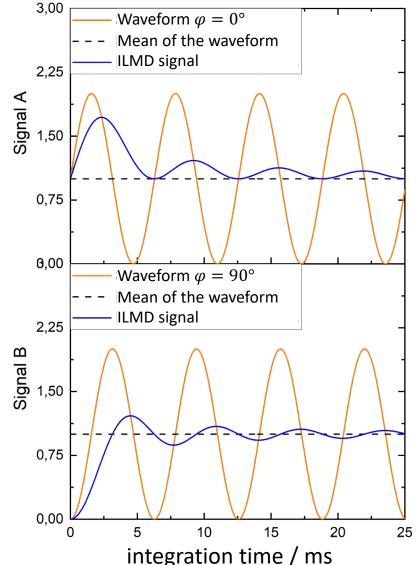


 Small deviation from the integer multiple of the modulation period
 → results in a hughe uncertainty

Periods	Error for +2ms
>3	≈+25 % (-7%+25%)
>5	≈16 % (-4%+16%)
>20	<b>≈4</b> % (-1%+4%)

# Temporal modulated light: phase shift





Periods	Error
3,5	≈10 %
5,5	≈6 %
20,5	≈1,5 %

Periods	Error
>3	≈5 %
>5	≈3 %
>20	≈0,8 %

- Error depends on the waveform (e.g. larger for PWM than for a sinus)
- Error depends on the phase shift regarding the waveform and  $t_{int}$
- Measurement signal vs. integration time oscillates around the mean value
- Uncertainty need to considder the alignement to the waveform phase (triggering might hide the effect in repetitions but does ot cancle it out)

# PB Verification tests to indicate absence of issues

- Check zero reading
   (dark signal measurement, verify the internal offset correction)
- $\circ$  Check measurement of a luminance standard (factor  $f_{\mathrm{adj}}$ ) using different signal levels or <u>use a referenced luminance</u> using different signal levels to verify also non-linearity and absence of significant offset issues (or use a referenced luminance, i.e. by means of an illuminance meter or a luminance spot
- Check it again >10min later
   (stability of standard and measurement device)
- Reproducibility
   remount objective lens, reset focus, zoom and aperture, rotate filter wheel
   use a different integration time (to verify the result)

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Good Practice Guide for setting up an uncertainty budget for the measurement of luminance distributions including correlation of the 2D datasets

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#### 13 Appendix I: Checklist for the ILMD configuration

To avoid significant errors which cannot be covered by uncertainties it is necessary to use a configuration that is suitable for the application. Namely the following aspects should be ensured:

#### Good state of device components

- · correct assembly and professional handling, i.e. clean and not damaged
- documentation of usage and relevant aspects of storage/transport
- consider using clean room gloves when handling optical surfaces and blow dust away by N<sub>2</sub> or oil free air

#### Selection of an adequate objective lens

 focal length → resulting in a measurement field that is fitting to the application, i.e. a focal length as large as possible.

#### Selection of an adequate neutral-density filter

- to avoid extremely short integration times where the timing uncertainty gets relevant
- to avoid/reduce effects of Temporal Light Modulation (TLM)

#### Setting of utilized optical components into the control software

i.e. type and serial number of the objective lens, neutral density filter. This is relevant also for
relative measurements inside the image, it might reset to default after start-up.

#### Adjustment data loaded into the control software

 configuration file, calibration file for internal corrections, user defined corrections belonging to the actual condition (consider aging and replacement/maintenance of components since the characterization)

#### Stabilized internal temperature for all components

. i.e. ILMD in operation (powered up and initialized, i.e. imaging loop) for more than one hour

#### Dark signal correction inside the control software

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#### Parameter values inside the control software correspond to hardware setting

- Zoom value of the objective lens
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- Focus value of the objective lens
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