

Calculation of CCT and Duv and Practical Conversion Formulae

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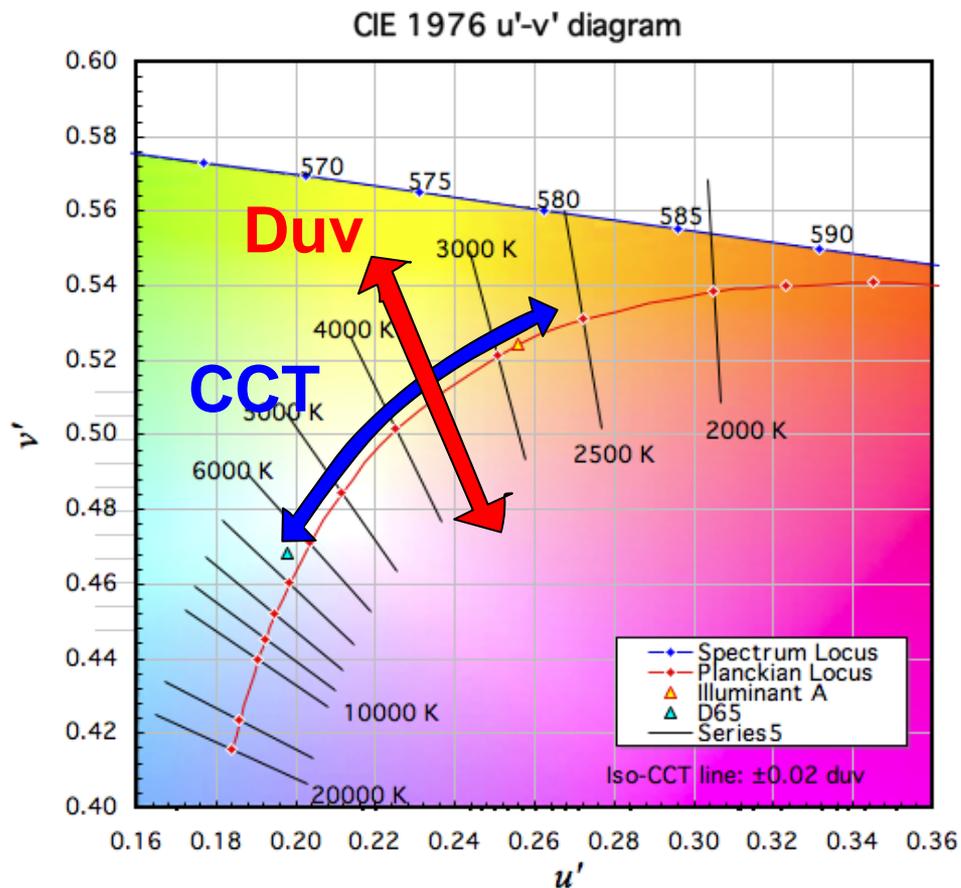
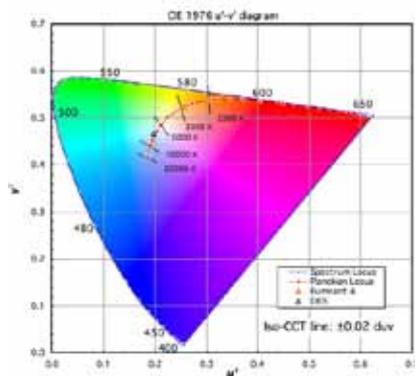
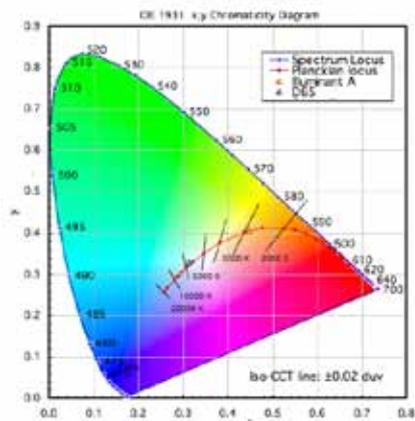
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White Light Chromaticity



Duv often missing

Lighting Facts Label

Light Output/Lumens
Measures light output. The higher the number, the more light is emitted.
Reported as "Total Integrated Flux (Lumens)" on LM-79 test report.

Watts
Measures energy required to light the product. The lower the wattage, the less energy used.
Reported as "Input Power (Watts)" on LM-79 report.

Lumens per Watt/Efficacy
Measures efficiency. The higher the number, the more efficient the product.
Reported as "Efficacy" on LM-79 test report.

IESNA LM-79-2008
Industry standardized test procedure that measures performance qualities of LED luminaires and integral lamps. It allows for a true comparison of luminaires regardless of the light source.

**Registration Number
Model Number
Type**

Brand

Brand X

lighting facts^{CM}
A Program of the U.S. DOE

Light Output (Lumens) 840

Watts 9

Lumens per Watt (Efficacy) 93

Color Accuracy 87
Color Rendering Index (CRI)

Light Color 2900 (Warm White)
Correlated Color Temperature (CCT)

Warm White | Bright White | Daylight

2700K | 3000K | 4000K | 6500K

Color Rendering Index (CRI)
Measures color accuracy.
Color rendition is the effect of the lamp's light spectrum on the color appearance of objects.

Correlated Color Temperature (CCT)
Measures light color.
"Cool" colors have higher Kelvin temperatures (3600-5500 K); "warm" colors have lower color temperatures (2700-3500 K). Color temperatures higher than 6500 are outside of the defined region for white light, but may be appropriate for outdoor applications.

All results are according to IESNA LM-79-2008: Approved Method for the Electrical and Photometric Testing of Solid-State Lighting. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) verifies product test data and results.

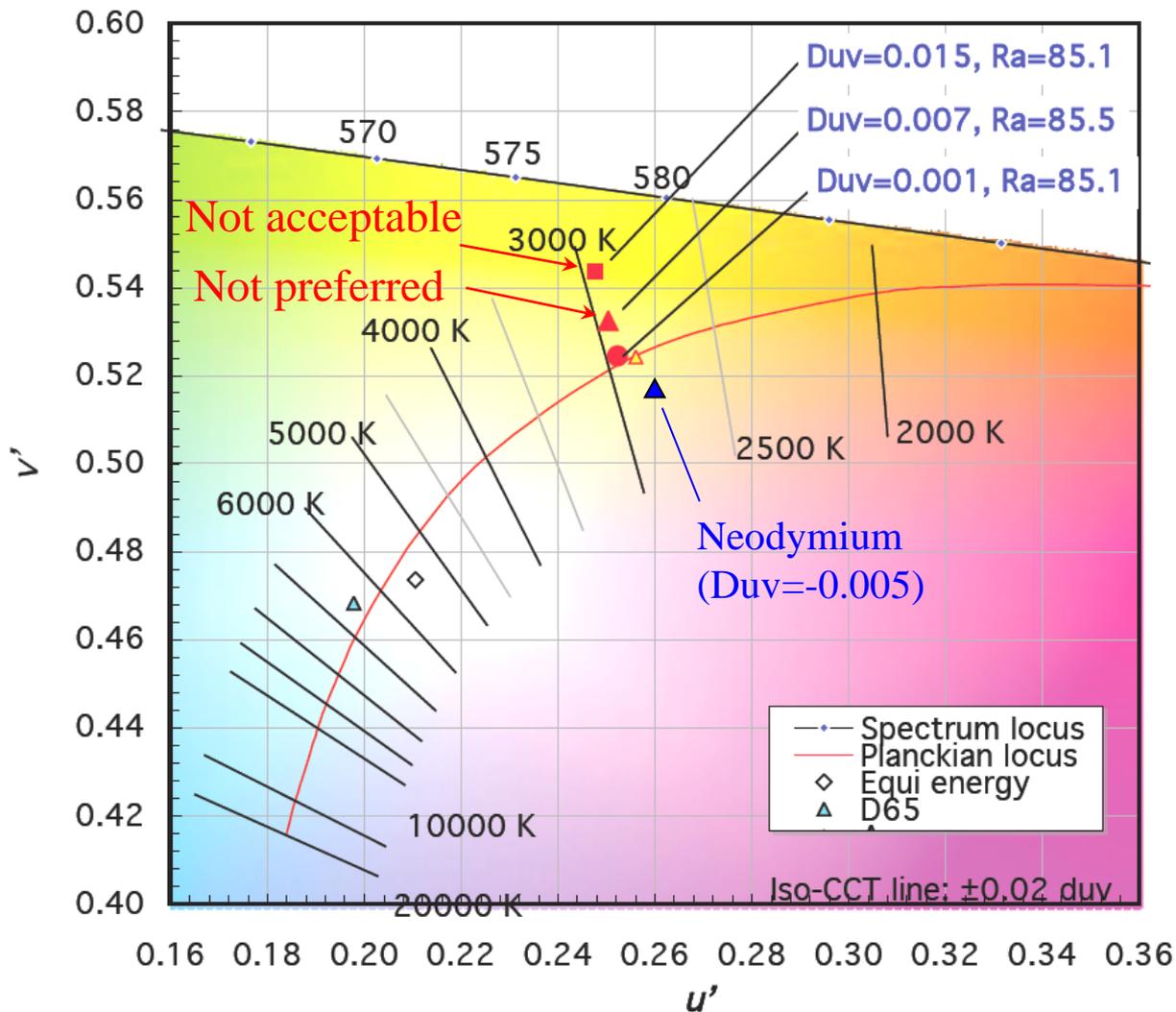
Visit www.lightingfacts.com for the Label Reference Guide.

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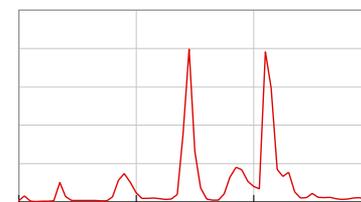
CCT and CRI do not tell the whole story of color quality

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CIE 1976 u' - v' diagram



Triphosphor
FL simulation

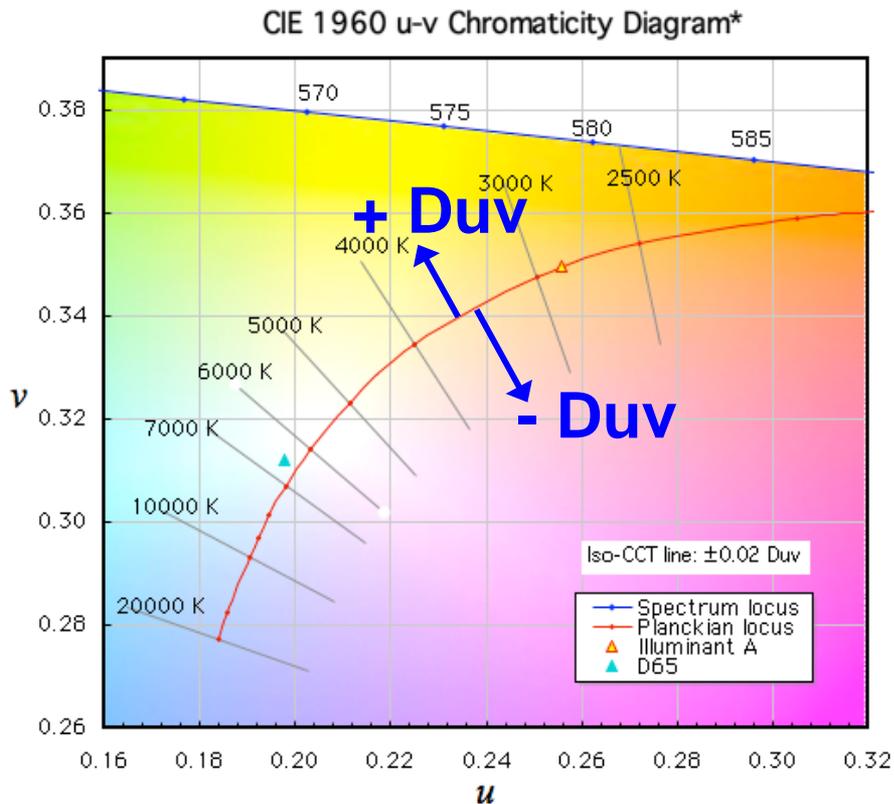


Duv is another
important
dimension of
chromaticity.



Duv defined in ANSI standard

Closest distance from the Planckian locus on the $(u', 2/3 v')$ diagram, with + sign for above and - sign for below the Planckian locus. (ANSI C78.377-2008)



Symbol: D_{uv}

CCT and Duv can specify the chromaticity of light sources just like (x, y) .

The two numbers (CCT, Duv) provides color information intuitively. (x, y) does not.

Duv needs to be defined by CIE.

ANSI C78.377-2008 Specifications for the chromaticity of SSL products

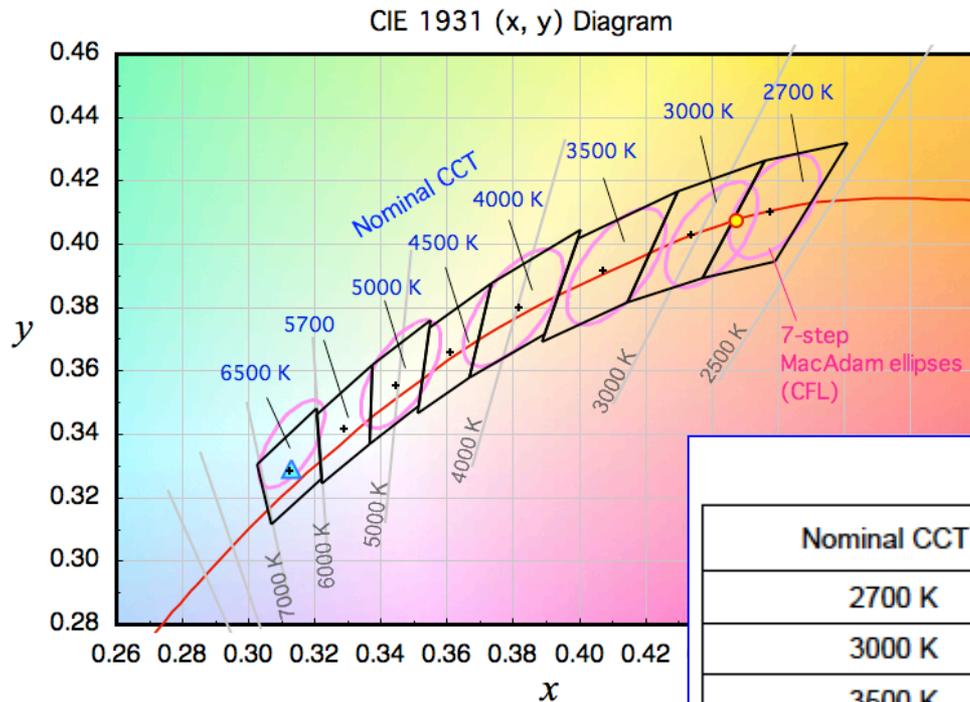
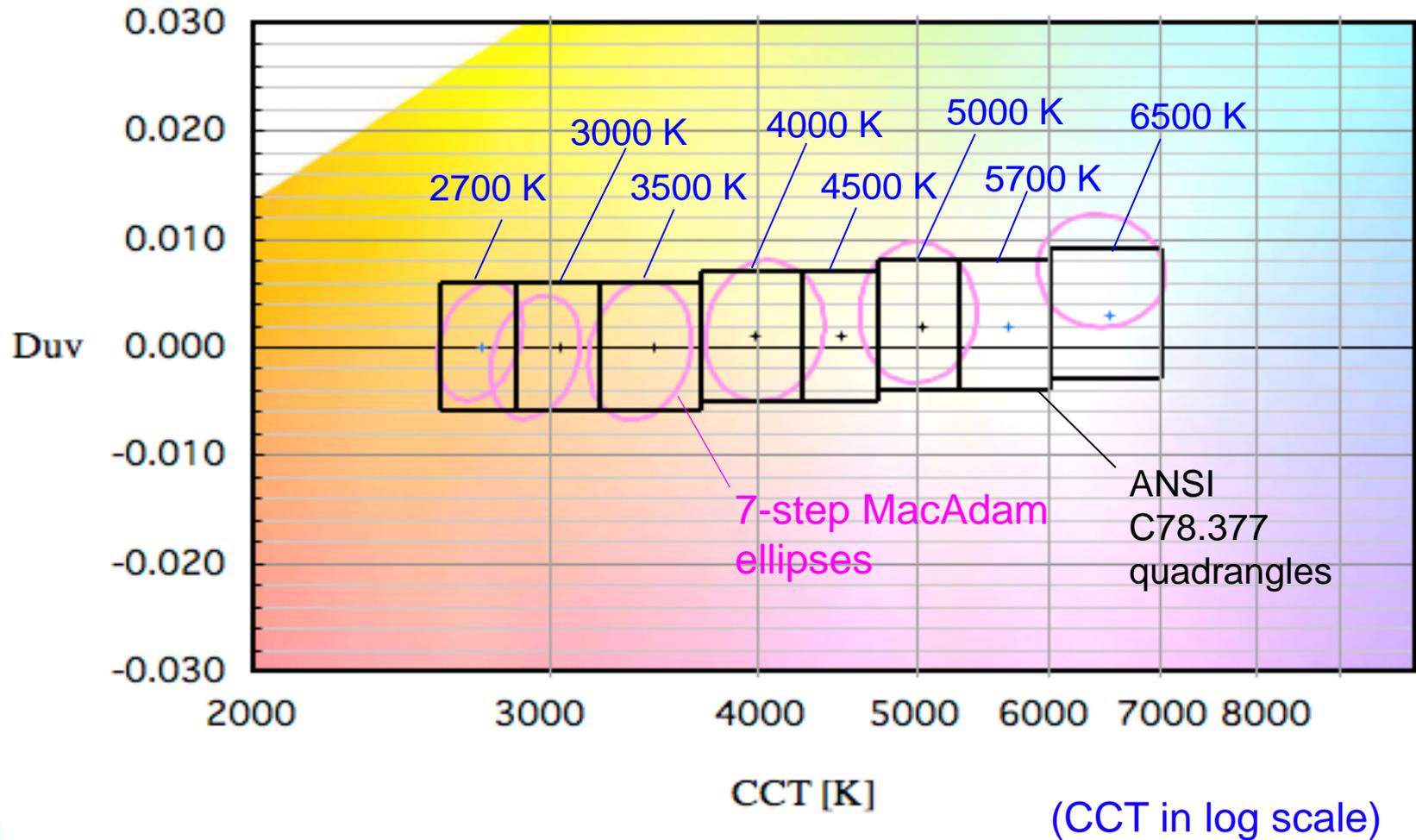


Table 1 - Nominal CCT Categories

Nominal CCT ¹⁾	Target CCT and tolerance (K)	Target Duv and tolerance
2700 K	2725 ± 145	0.000 ± 0.006
3000 K	3045 ± 175	0.000 ± 0.006
3500 K	3465 ± 245	0.000 ± 0.006
4000 K	3985 ± 275	0.001 ± 0.006
4500 K	4503 ± 243	0.001 ± 0.006
5000 K	5028 ± 283	0.002 ± 0.006
5700 K	5665 ± 355	0.002 ± 0.006
6500 K	6530 ± 510	0.003 ± 0.006
Flexible CCT (2700 - 6500 K)	$T^{2)}$ ± $\Delta T^{3)}$	$D_{uv}^{4)}$ ± 0.006

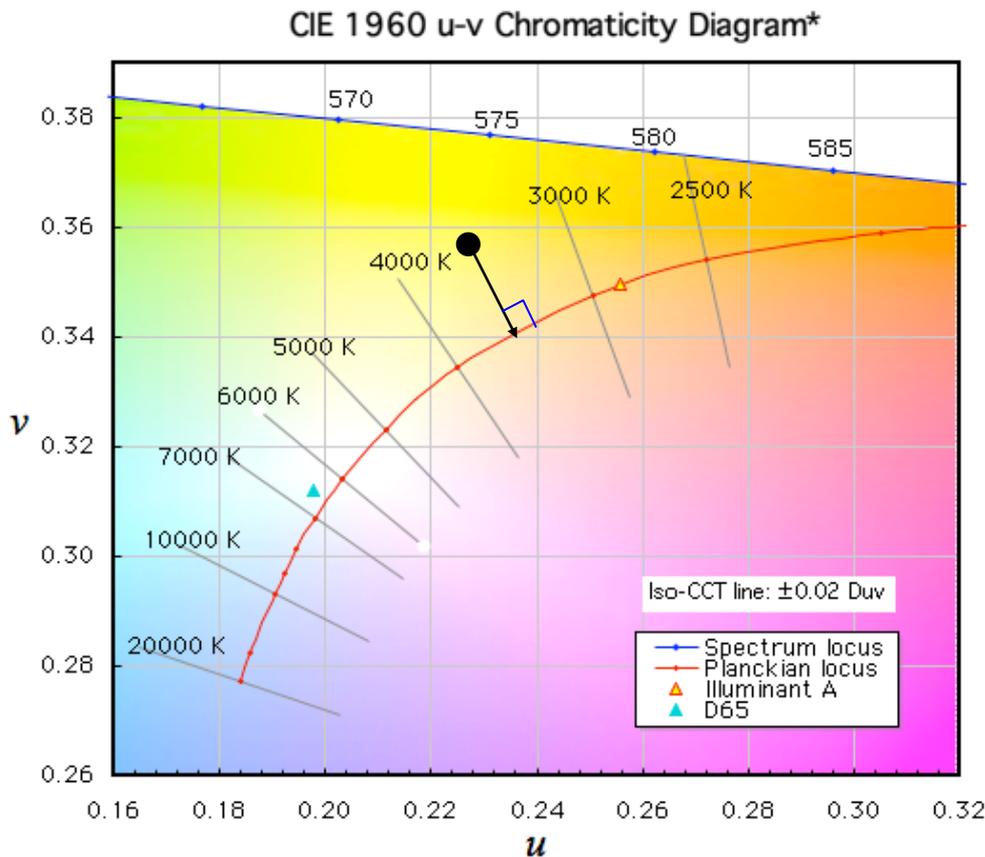
CCT- Duv chart



Correlated Color Temperature (CCT)

Temperature [K] of a Planckian radiator whose chromaticity is closest to that of a given stimulus on the CIE $(u', 2/3 v')$ coordinate.

(CIE 15:2004)



CCT is based on the CIE 1960 (u, v) diagram, which is now obsolete.

CCT is valid within distance 0.05 from the Planckian locus on the $(u', 2/3 \cdot v')$ diagram. (CIE 15: 2004)

CIE 15:2004 Colorimetry, 3rd Edition

APPENDIX E. INFORMATION ON THE USE OF PLANCK'S EQUATION FOR STANDARD AIR

According to the Planck's law, the spectral radiance of a blackbody at thermodynamic temperature T [K] in a medium having index of refraction n is given by

$$L_{e,\lambda}(\lambda, T) = \frac{c_1 n^{-2} \lambda^{-5}}{\pi} \left[\exp\left(\frac{c_2}{n\lambda T}\right) - 1 \right]^{-1} \quad (\text{E.1})$$

where $c_1 = 2\pi hc^2$, $c_2 = hc/k$, h is Planck's constant, c is the speed of light in vacuum, k is the

T should follow the current International Temperature Scale (ITS-90), therefore,

$$c_2 = 1,4388 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m K.}$$

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Therefore, in the current recommendation in CIE 15:2004, colour temperature and correlated colour temperature are calculated using Equ. E.1 with $n = 1$ (exactly 1), thus no change from the previous practice. This recommendation may be subject to change in the future.

Robertson (1968)

Computation of Correlated Color Temperature and Distribution Temperature, Journal of the Optical Society of America, 58-11, 1968

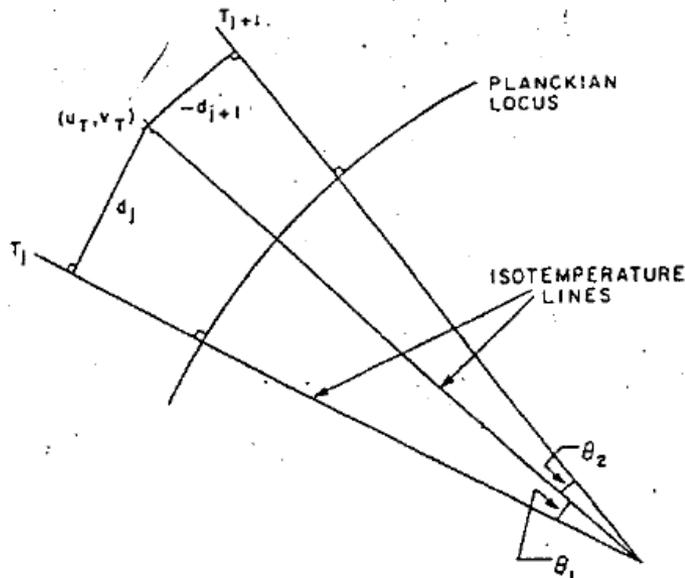


FIG. 1. Method of interpolation to find correlated color temperature.

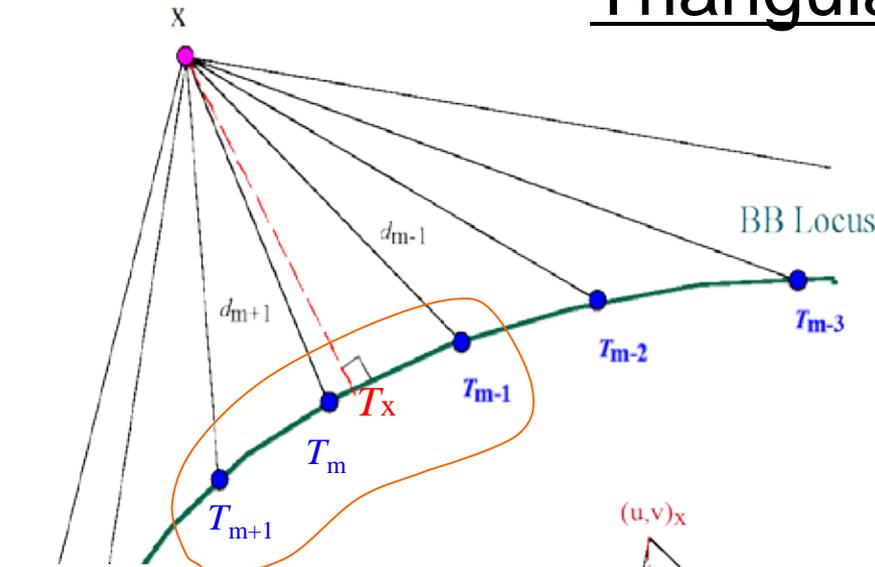
TABLE III. Maximum errors of computed values of correlated color temperature, based on use of the 31 isotherm lines listed in Table II.

μrd	Range		Maximum error	
	μrd	K	μrd	K
1-10	1 000 000-100 000		0.11	...
10-20	100 000-50 000		0.09	450
20-30	50 000-33 333		0.08	140
30-40	33 333-25 000		0.08	65
40-50	25 000-20 000		0.07	36
50-60	20 000-16 667		0.05	18
60-70	16 667-14 286		0.04	9.6
70-80	14 286-12 500		0.03	5.4
80-90	12 500-11 111		0.03	3.6
90-100	11 111-10 000		0.03	2.8
100-125	10 000-8 000		0.07	5.9
125-150	8 000-6 667		0.03	1.5
150-175	6 667-5 714		0.05	1.8
175-200	5 714-5 000		0.03	1.0
200-225	5 000-4 444		0.04	1.0
225-250	4 444-4 000		0.05	0.8
250-275	4 000-3 636		0.05	0.7
275-300	3 636-3 333		0.04	0.5
300-325	3 333-3 077		0.03	0.3
325-350	3 077-2 857		0.03	0.2
350-375	2 857-2 667		0.02	0.2
375-400	2 667-2 500		0.03	0.2
400-425	2 500-2 353		0.04	0.2
425-450	2 353-2 222		0.04	0.2
450-475	2 222-2 105		0.05	0.2
475-500	2 105-2 000		0.04	0.2
500-525	2 000-1 905		0.04	0.2
525-550	1 905-1 818		0.05	0.2
550-575	1 818-1 739		0.05	0.2
575-600	1 739-1 667		0.06	0.2

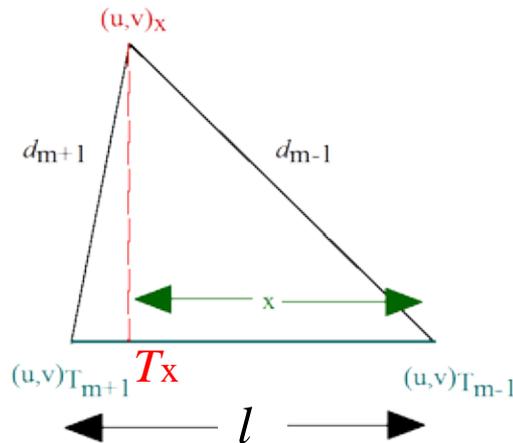
Direct approach (1) to calculate CCT and Duv

Triangular solution

- (1) Create a table of CCT vs distance d_i to BB locus on (u,v) coordinate.
- (2) Find the closest point in the table.
- (3) Solve the triangle for the neighboring 2 points



CCT	u	v	distance d
2705	0.26228	0.35150	0.00772
2732	0.26109	0.35115	0.00650
2759	0.25992	0.35080	0.00529
2787	0.25876	0.35044	0.00411
2815	0.25761	0.35007	0.00297
2843	0.25647	0.34970	0.00193
2871	0.25535	0.34932	0.00122
2900	0.25425	0.34893	0.00144
2929	0.25315	0.34855	0.00232
2958	0.25207	0.34815	0.00337
2988	0.25100	0.34775	0.00446
3018	0.24995	0.34735	0.00556
3048	0.24890	0.34694	0.00666
3078	0.24788	0.34653	0.00776
3109	0.24686	0.34611	0.00885
3140	0.24585	0.34569	0.00994
3172	0.24486	0.34526	0.01101



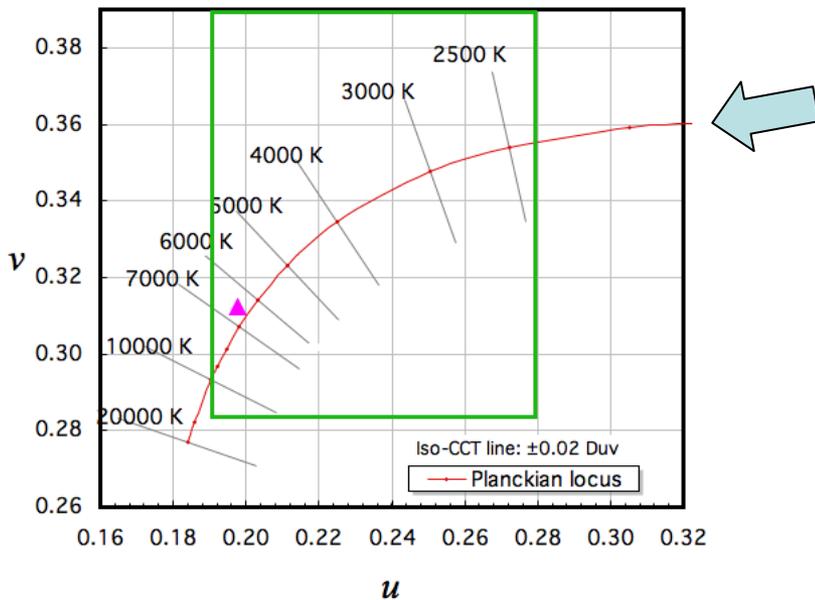
$$x = \frac{d_{m-1}^2 - d_{m+1}^2 + l^2}{2l}$$

$$T_x = T_{m-1} + (T_{m+1} - T_{m-1}) \cdot \frac{x}{l}$$

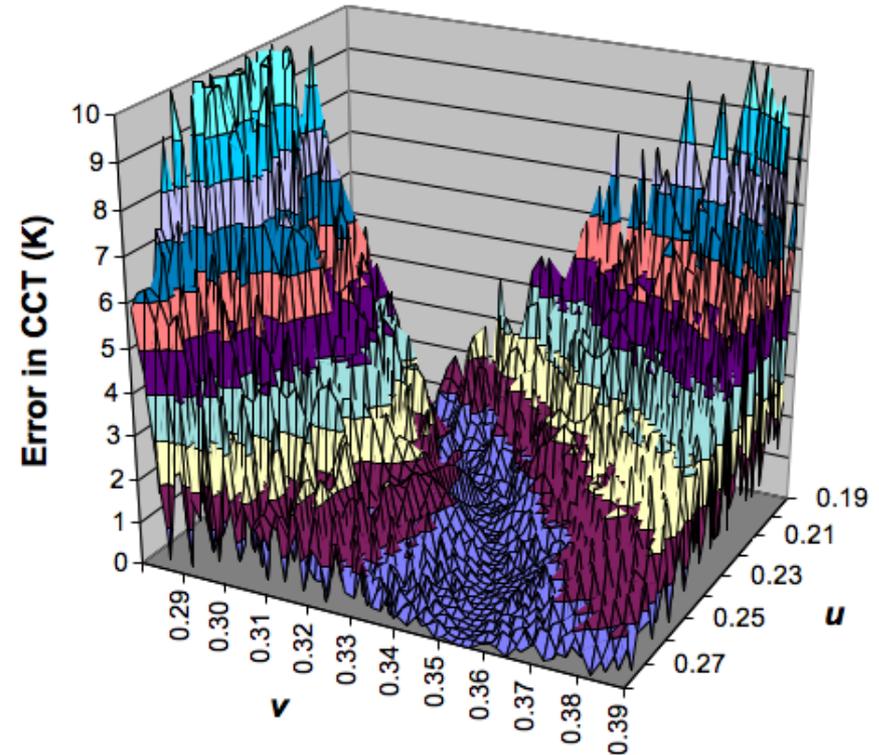
$$D_{uv} = [\pm sign] (d_{m-1}^2 - x^2)^{1/2}$$

Use Planck's equation and color matching functions at 1 nm interval.

CCT Error in Triangular Solution



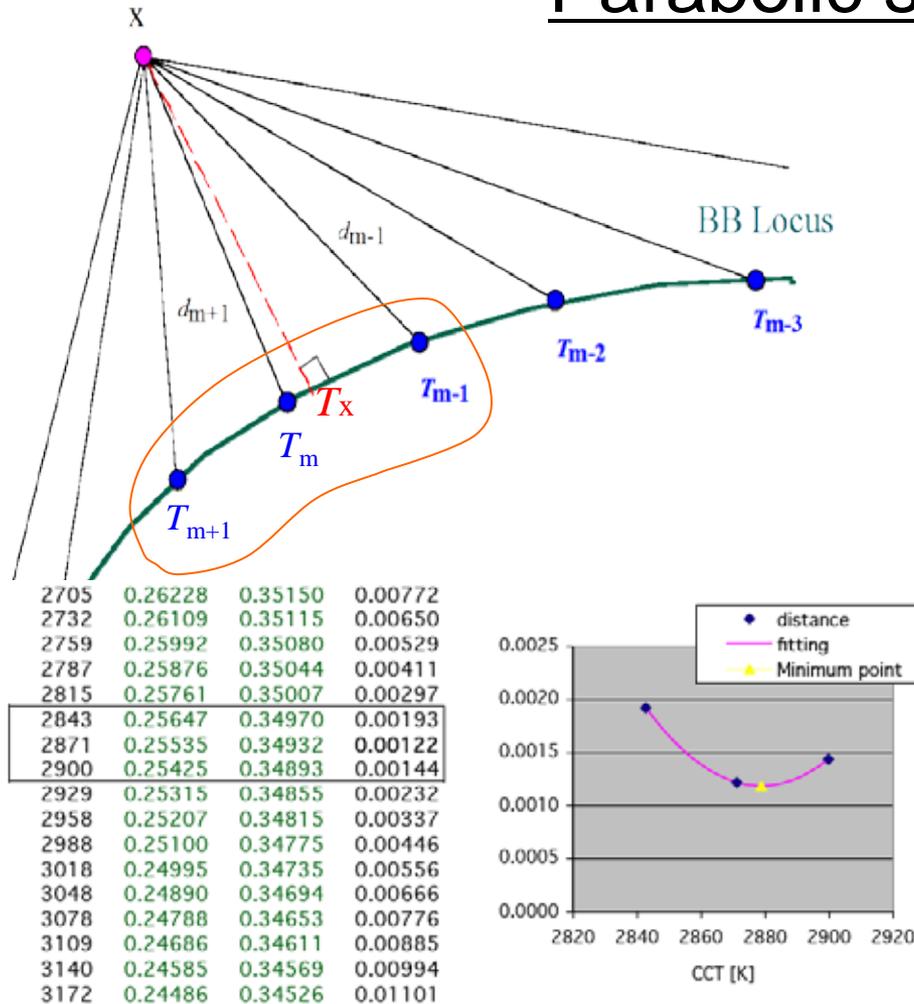
CCT error in Triangular solution (1% step table)



Error increases when the point is far from Planckian locus.

Direct approach (2) to calculate CCT and Duv

Parabolic solution



(1) Create a table of CCT vs distance d_i to BB locus on (u,v) coordinate.

(2) Find the closest point in the table.

(3) Parabolic fit for the neighboring 3 points.

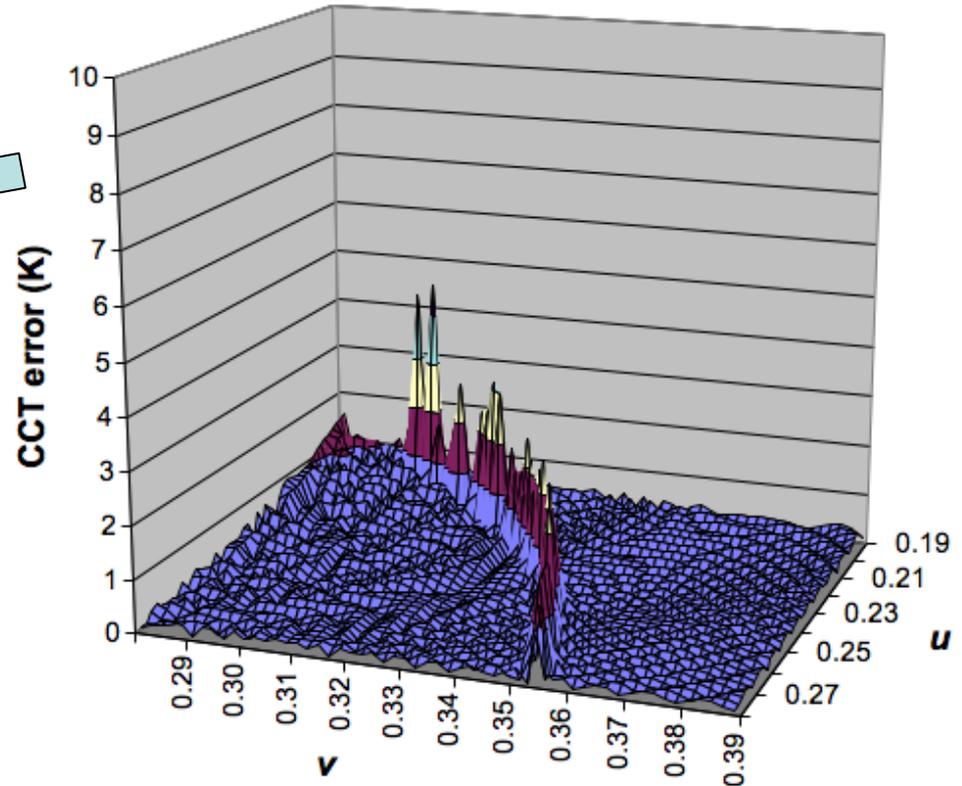
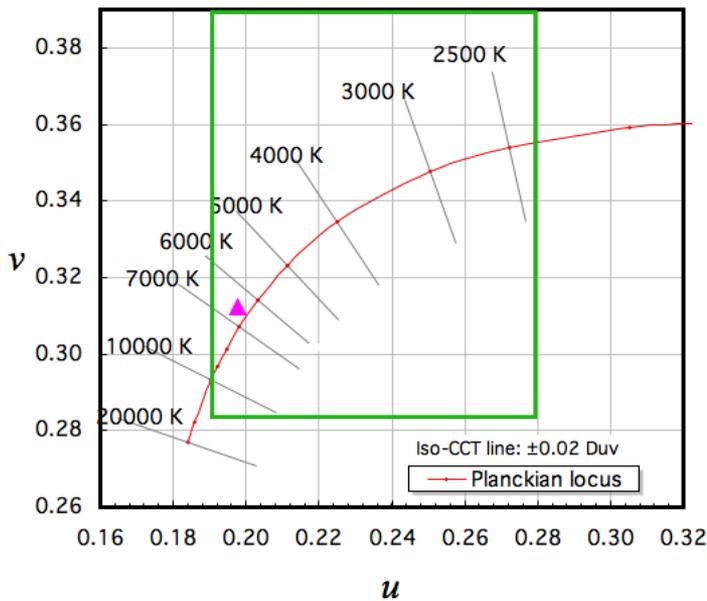
$$d(T) = aT^2 + bT + C$$

$$d(T)' = 2aT_x + b = 0 \quad \therefore T_x = \frac{-b}{2a}$$

$$D_{uv} = [\pm sign] \left(aT_x^2 + bT_x + C \right)$$

CCT Error in Parabolic Solution

CCT error in Parabolic solution (1 % step table)



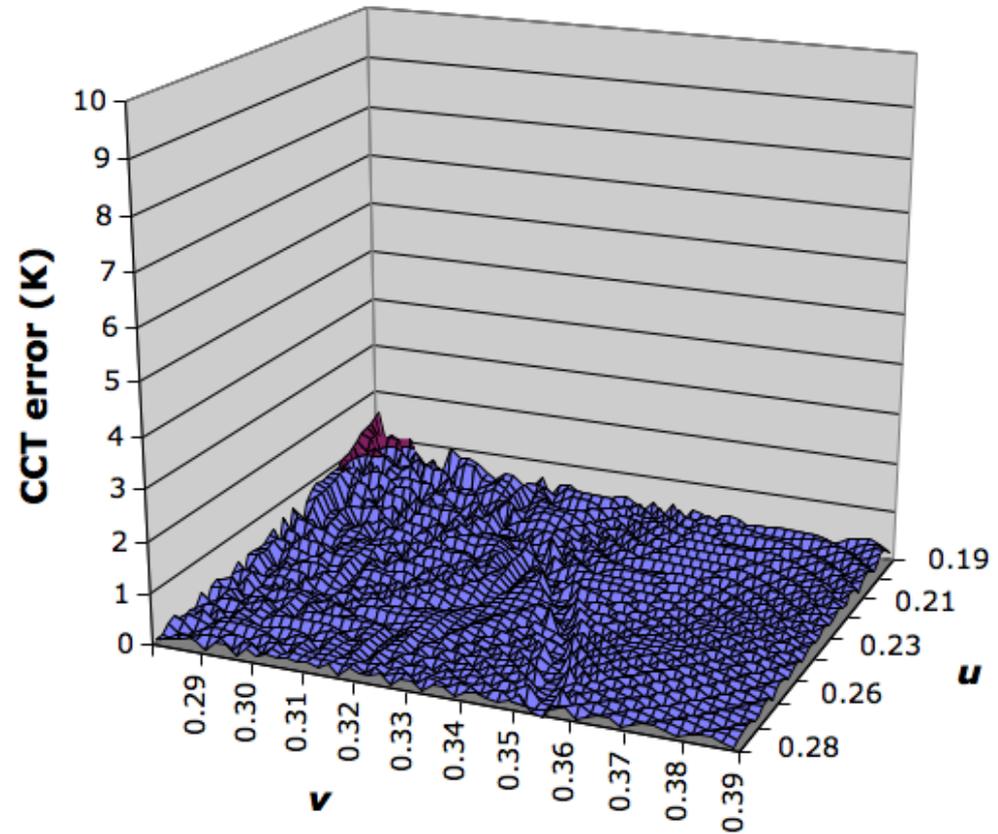
Much better, but the problem is on or very close to Planckian locus.

Combined Solution

Use Parabolic solution
but, take the CCT of
Triangular solution for

$$|D_{uv}| < 0.002$$

Error in Combined solution (1 % step table)



Most Accurate Version (cascade expansion)

Calculation of CCT (Most Accurate version, 1000 K - 20000 K) Y. Ohno

INPUT	x	0.3127
	y	0.3290
	u	0.1978
	v	0.3122

CCT	6503.0
Duv	0.0032

15 % step table

Color	Te	u	v	Distance
1000	0.44801	0.35462	0.2537	0
1150	0.41559	0.35725	0.2224	0.1
1323	0.38439	0.35927	0.1924	0.2
1521	0.35512	0.36039	0.1645	0.3
1749	0.32827	0.36036	0.1390	0.4
2011	0.30412	0.35898	0.1161	0.5
2313	0.28281	0.35620	0.0957	0.6
2660	0.26431	0.35208	0.0775	0.7
3059	0.24853	0.34679	0.0614	0.8
3518	0.23527	0.34060	0.0470	0.9
4046	0.22430	0.33382	0.0342	1.0
4652	0.21535	0.32677	0.0228	0.1
5350	0.20813	0.31972	0.0127	0.2
6153	0.20237	0.31292	0.0046	0.3
7076	0.19781	0.30655	0.0057	0.4
8137	0.19423	0.30073	0.0120	0.5
9358	0.19143	0.29552	0.0179	0.6
10761	0.18923	0.29093	0.0230	0.7
12375	0.18751	0.28694	0.0273	0.8
14232	0.18615	0.28350	0.0310	0.9
16367	0.18507	0.28056	0.0341	1.0
18822	0.18420	0.27806	0.0368	
21645	0.18351	0.27593	0.0390	
24891	0.18295	0.27412	0.0409	
28625	0.18249	0.27259	0.0425	
32919	0.18211	0.27129	0.0438	
min	0.00459			
match	14			
		distance		
T(m-1)	5350.25	0.01273		
T(m)	6152.79	0.00459		
T(m+1)	7075.71	0.00567		

1 % step table

u	v	distances
5350.3	0.20813	0.31972
5430.5	0.20745	0.31898
5510.8	0.20680	0.31825
5591.0	0.20617	0.31754
5671.3	0.20556	0.31684
5751.5	0.20498	0.31614
5831.8	0.20442	0.31549
5912.0	0.20388	0.31483
5992.3	0.20336	0.31418
6072.5	0.20285	0.31354
6152.8	0.20237	0.31292
6245.1	0.20183	0.31222
6337.4	0.20131	0.31153
6429.7	0.20082	0.31086
6522.0	0.20034	0.31021
6614.2	0.19988	0.30956
6706.5	0.19943	0.30894
6798.8	0.19901	0.30832
6891.1	0.19859	0.30772
6983.4	0.19820	0.30713
7075.7	0.19781	0.30655
minimum	0.003217	
match	15	
T(m-1)	6429.7	0.00328
T(m)	6522.0	0.00322
T(m+1)	6614.2	0.00336

Parabolic solution	
a	1.925E-07
b	-3.78E-07
c	1.97E-07
A	1.181E-08
B	-0.000154
C	0.502682
CCT	6504.39
duv	0.00321

Triangular solution	
T(m-1) u	0.20082
T(m+1) u	0.19988
T(m-1) v	0.31086
T(m+1) v	0.30956
d	0.00
x	0.00
CCT	6503.70
duv	0.00322
CCT	6504.39

0.2004	0.3103
Sign of Duv	1
Duv	0.00322

0.15 % step table

u	v	Distance
6429.7	0.20082	0.31086
6438.9	0.20077	0.31080
6448.1	0.20072	0.31073
6457.4	0.20067	0.31066
6466.6	0.20062	0.31060
6475.8	0.20057	0.31053
6485.0	0.20053	0.31047
6494.3	0.20048	0.31040
6503.5	0.20043	0.31034
6512.7	0.20038	0.31027
6522.0	0.20034	0.31021
6531.2	0.20029	0.31014
6540.4	0.20024	0.31008
6549.6	0.20020	0.31001
6558.9	0.20015	0.30995
6568.1	0.20010	0.30988
6577.3	0.20006	0.30982
6586.6	0.20001	0.30976
6595.8	0.19997	0.30969
6605.0	0.19992	0.30963
6614.2	0.19988	0.30956
minimum	0.0032125	
match	9	
T(m-1)	6494.3	0.00321
T(m)	6503.5	0.00321
T(m+1)	6512.7	0.00321

Parabolic solution	
a	1.886E-05
b	-3.77E-05
c	1.886E-05
A	1.223E-08
B	-0.000159
C	0.5202378
CCT	6503.05
duv	0.00321

Triangular solution	
T(m-1) u	0.20048
T(m+1) u	0.20038
T(m-1) v	0.31040
T(m+1) v	0.31027
d	0.00
x	0.00
CCT	6503.03
duv	0.00321
CCT	6503.05

0.2004	0.3103
Sign of Duv	1
Duv	0.00321

0.015 % step table

u	v	Distance
6494.3	0.20048	0.31040
6495.2	0.20047	0.31040
6496.1	0.20047	0.31039
6497.0	0.20046	0.31038
6498.0	0.20046	0.31038
6498.9	0.20045	0.31037
6499.8	0.20045	0.31036
6500.7	0.20045	0.31036
6501.7	0.20044	0.31035
6502.6	0.20044	0.31034
6503.5	0.20043	0.31034
6504.4	0.20043	0.31033
6505.3	0.20042	0.31032
6506.3	0.20042	0.31032
6507.2	0.20041	0.31031
6508.1	0.20041	0.31030
6509.0	0.20040	0.31030
6510.0	0.20040	0.31029
6510.9	0.20039	0.31028
6511.8	0.20039	0.31028
6512.7	0.20038	0.31027
minimum	0.0032125	
match	10	
T(m-1)	6501.7	0.00321
T(m)	6502.6	0.00321
T(m+1)	6503.5	0.00321

Parabolic solution	
a	0.001886
b	-0.003772
c	0.001886
A	1.22E-08
B	-0.000159
C	0.520744
CCT	6503.03
duv	0.00321

Triangular solution	
T(m-1) u	0.20044
T(m+1) u	0.20043
T(m-1) v	0.31035
T(m+1) v	0.31034
d	0.00
x	0.00
CCT	6503.05
duv	0.00321
Final CCT	6503.03

0.2004	0.3103
Sign of Duv	1
Final Duv	0.00321

Used as the reference for accuracy verification.

Conversion from (CCT, Duv) back to (x, y)

Input: CCT T (K)
 D_{uv} D_{uv}

- 1) Calculate (u_0, v_0) of the Planckian radiator at T (K).
- 2) Calculate (u_1, v_1) of the Planckian radiator at $T+DT$ (K). $DT=0.01$ (K)
- 3) Calculate

$$du = u_1 - u_0$$

$$dv = v_1 - v_0$$

$$u = u_0 + D_{uv} \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$= u_0 + D_{uv} \cdot dv / \sqrt{du^2 + dv^2}$$

$$v = v_0 + D_{uv} \cdot \cos \theta$$

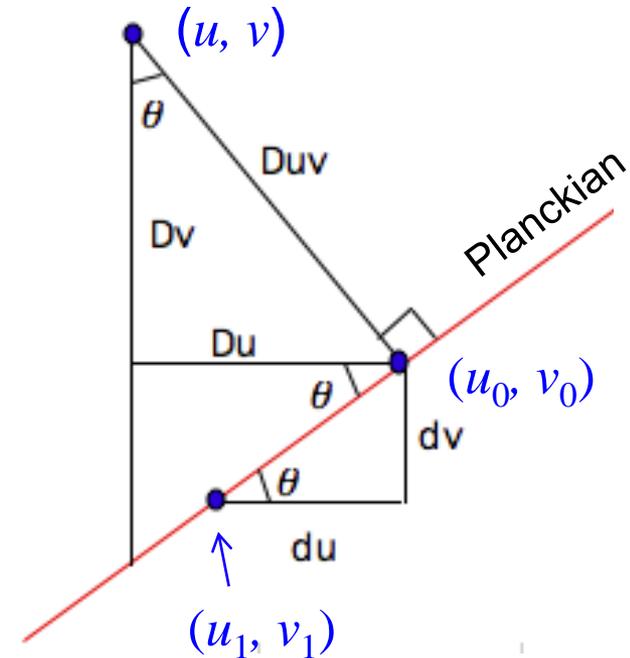
$$= u_0 + D_{uv} \cdot du / \sqrt{du^2 + dv^2}$$

$$u' = u$$

$$v' = 1.5v$$

$$x = 9u' / (6u' - 16v' + 12)$$

$$y = 2v' / (3u' - 8v' + 6)$$



(Included in Revision draft of C78.377)

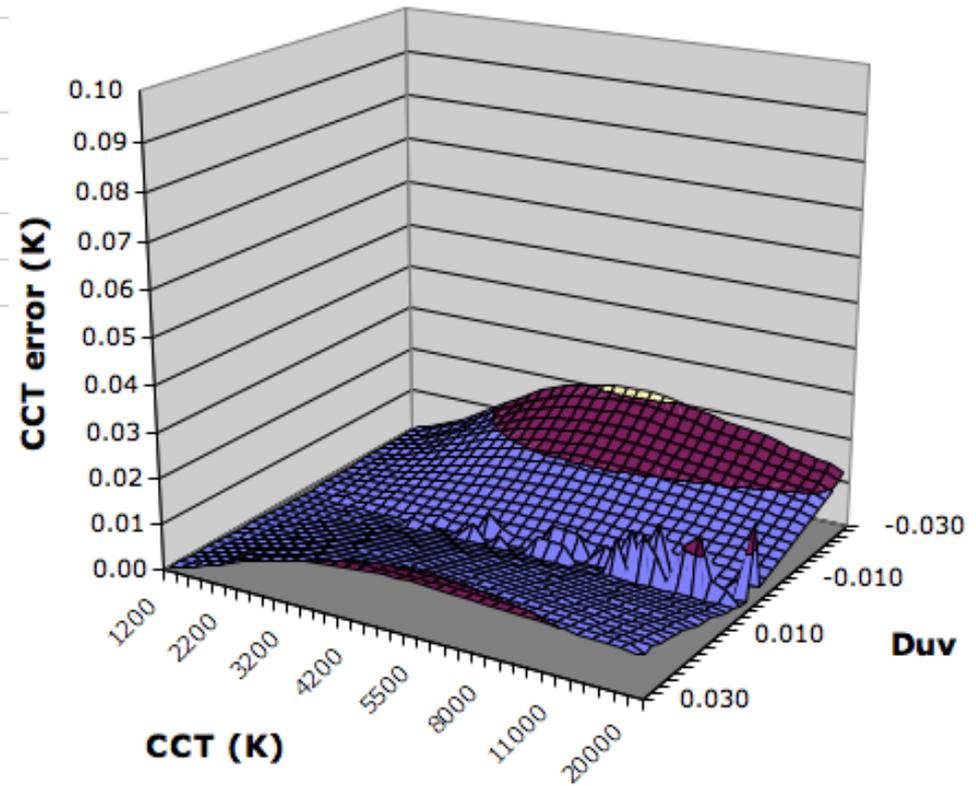
Accuracy of Most Accurate Version (4 stage)

Accuracy verification for 4-stage version

CCT	2900			
Duv	0.0200			
	↓			
			OUTPUT	Error
x	0.478420	CCT	2900.006	0.006 K
y	0.473737	Duv	0.020000	0.00000
u	0.247629			
v	0.367808			

CCT 4-stage version

CCT error of 4-stage version



Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u',v') to Duv

Duv is normally calculated in the process of calculating CCT. Below is a simple approximation formula, without calculation of CCT.

1) Convert (x, y) or (u', v') to (u, v)

$$u = 4x/(-2x + 12y + 3) \quad \text{or} \quad u = u'$$

$$v = 6y/(-2x + 12y + 3) \quad \text{or} \quad v = 2v'/3$$

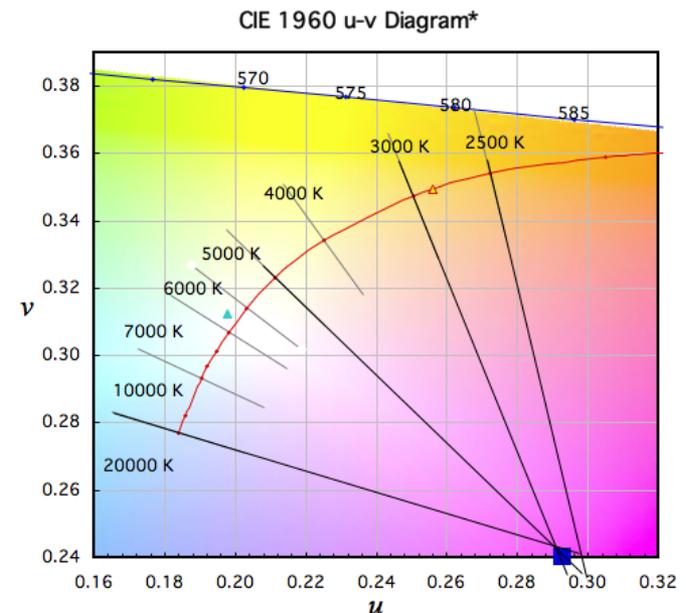
2) Duv is obtained by

$$L_{\text{FP}} = \sqrt{(u - 0.292)^2 + (v - 0.24)^2}$$

$$a = \arccos\left(\frac{u - 0.292}{L_{\text{FP}}}\right)$$

$$L_{\text{BB}} = k_6 a^6 + k_5 a^5 + k_4 a^4 + k_3 a^3 + k_2 a^2 + k_1 a + k_0$$

$$D_{\text{uv}} = L_{\text{FP}} - L_{\text{BB}}$$



k6	-0.00616793
k5	0.0893944
k4	-0.5179722
k3	1.5317403
k2	-2.4243787
k1	1.925865
k0	-0.471106

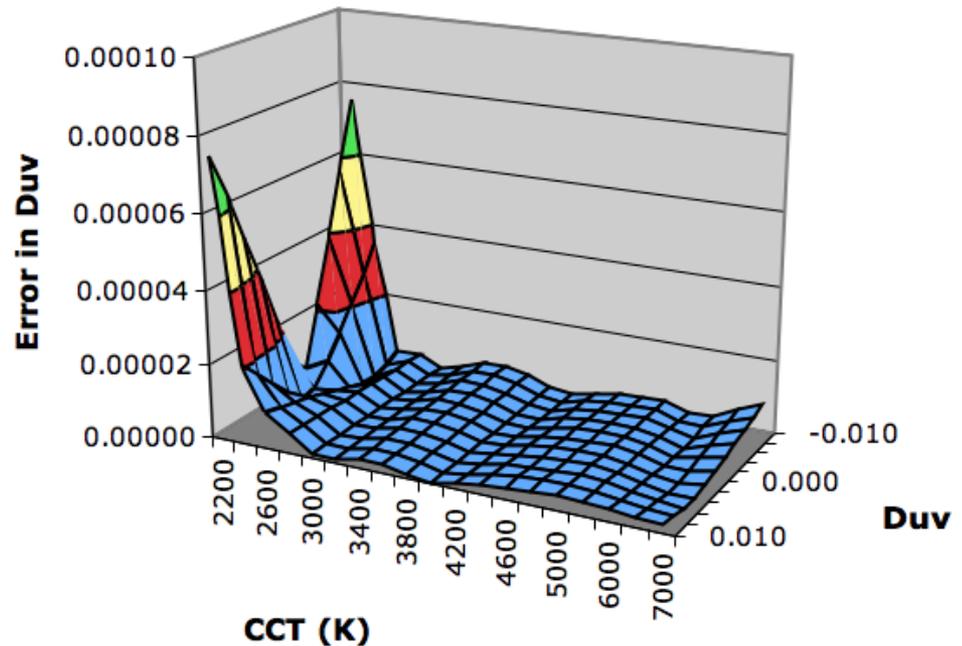
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Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u',v') to Duv

Accuracy of this method

within 0.00001 in the range
from 2600 K to 20000 K and
Duv 0.000 \pm 0.010

within 0.0001 in the range
from 2160 K to 20000 K and
Duv 0.000 \pm 0.010



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Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u',v') to (CCT, Duv)

$$L_{FP} = \sqrt{(u - 0.292)^2 + (v - 0.24)^2}$$

$$a_1 = \arctan((v - 0.24)/(u - 0.292)), \text{ if } a_1 \geq 0, a = a_1; \text{ if } a_1 < 0, a = a_1 + \pi$$

$$L_{BB} = k_{06} a^6 + k_{05} a^5 + k_{04} a^4 + k_{03} a^3 + k_{02} a^2 + k_{01} a + k_{00}$$

$$D_{uv} = L_{FP} - L_{BB}$$

$$\text{For } a < 2.54; T_1 = 1/(k_{16} \cdot a^6 + k_{15} \cdot a^5 + k_{14} \cdot a^4 + k_{13} \cdot a^3 + k_{12} \cdot a^2 + k_{11} \cdot a + k_{10})$$

$$\text{For } a \geq 2.54; T_1 = 1/(k_{26} \cdot a^6 + k_{25} \cdot a^5 + k_{24} \cdot a^4 + k_{23} \cdot a^3 + k_{22} \cdot a^2 + k_{21} \cdot a + k_{20})$$

$$\text{For } a < 2.54; \Delta T_{c1} = (k_{36} \cdot a^6 + k_{35} \cdot a^5 + k_{34} \cdot a^4 + k_{33} \cdot a^3 + k_{32} \cdot a^2 + k_{31} \cdot a + k_{30}) \cdot (L_{BB} + 0.01) / L_p \cdot D_{uv} / 0.01$$

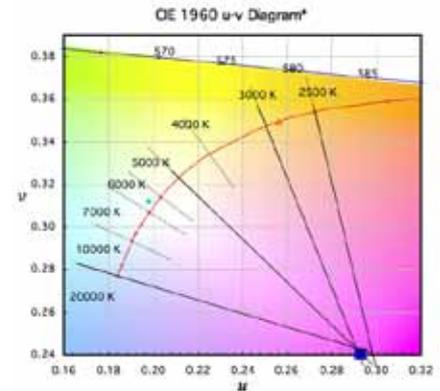
$$\text{For } a \geq 2.54; \Delta T_{c1} = 1/(k_{46} \cdot a^6 + k_{45} \cdot a^5 + k_{44} \cdot a^4 + k_{43} \cdot a^3 + k_{42} \cdot a^2 + k_{41} \cdot a + k_{40}) \cdot (L_{BB} + 0.01) / L_p \cdot D_{uv} / 0.01$$

$$T_2 = T_1 - \Delta T_{c1}, \quad c = \log(T_2)$$

$$\text{For } D_{uv} \geq 0; \Delta T_{c2} = (k_{56} \cdot c^6 + k_{55} \cdot c^5 + k_{54} \cdot c^4 + k_{53} \cdot c^3 + k_{52} \cdot c^2 + k_{51} \cdot c + k_{50})$$

$$\text{For } D_{uv} < 0; \Delta T_{c2} = (k_{66} \cdot c^6 + k_{65} \cdot c^5 + k_{64} \cdot c^4 + k_{63} \cdot c^3 + k_{62} \cdot c^2 + k_{61} \cdot c + k_{60}) \cdot |D_{uv} / 0.03|^2$$

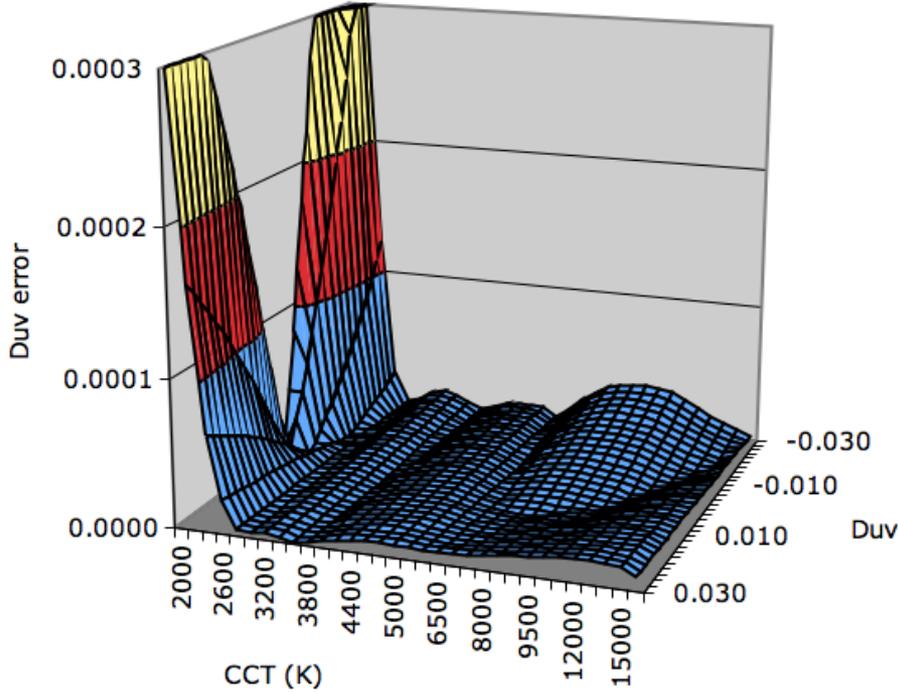
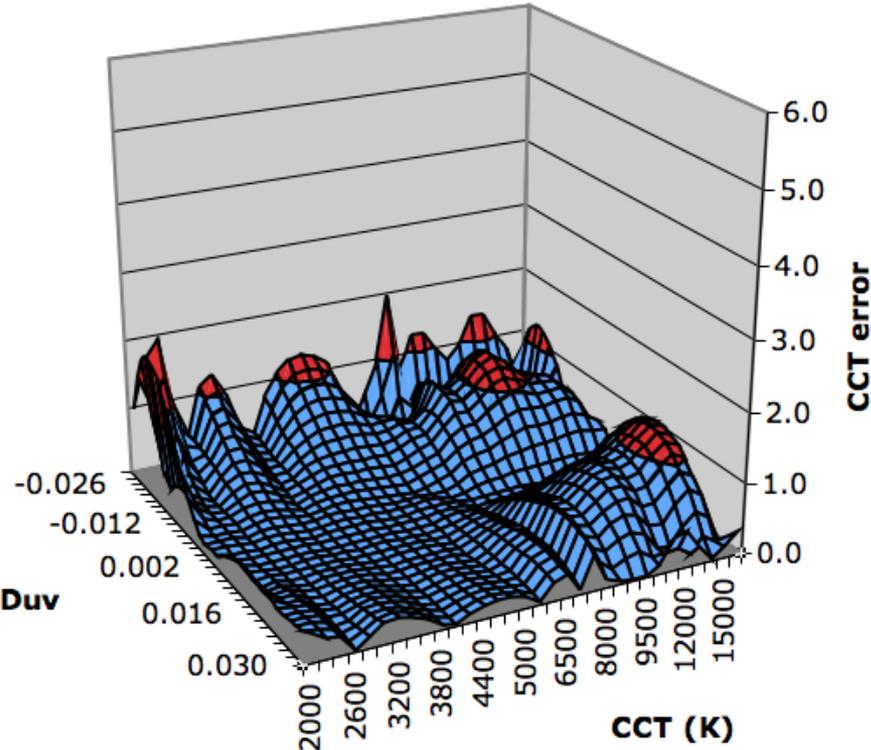
$$T_{FINAL} = T_2 - \Delta T_{c2}$$



i	ki6	ki5	ki4	ki3	ki2	ki1	ki0
0	-3.7146000E-03	5.6061400E-02	-3.307009E-01	9.750013E-01	-1.5008606E+00	1.115559E+00	-1.77348E-01
1	-3.2325500E-05	3.5700160E-04	-1.589747E-03	3.6196568E-03	-4.3534788E-03	2.1595434E-03	5.308409E-04
2	-2.6653835E-03	4.17781315E-02	-2.73172022E-01	9.53570888E-01	-1.873907584E+00	1.964980251E+00	-8.58308927E-01
3	-2.3524950E+01	2.7183365E+02	-1.1785121E+03	2.51170136E+03	-2.7966888E+03	1.49284136E+03	-2.3275027E+02
4	-1.731364909E+06	2.7482732935E+07	-1.81749963507E+08	6.40976356945E+08	8 -1.27141290956E+09	1.34488160614E+09	-5.926850606E+08
5	-9.4353083E+02	2.10468274E+04	-1.9500061E+05	9.60532935E+05	-2.65299138E+06	3.89561742E+06	-2.3758158E+06
6	5.0857956E+02	-1.321007E+04	1.4101538E+05	-7.93406005E+05	2.48526954E+06	-4.11436958E+06	2.8151771E+06

Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u',v') to (CCT, Duv)

Accuracy of this method



Conclusions

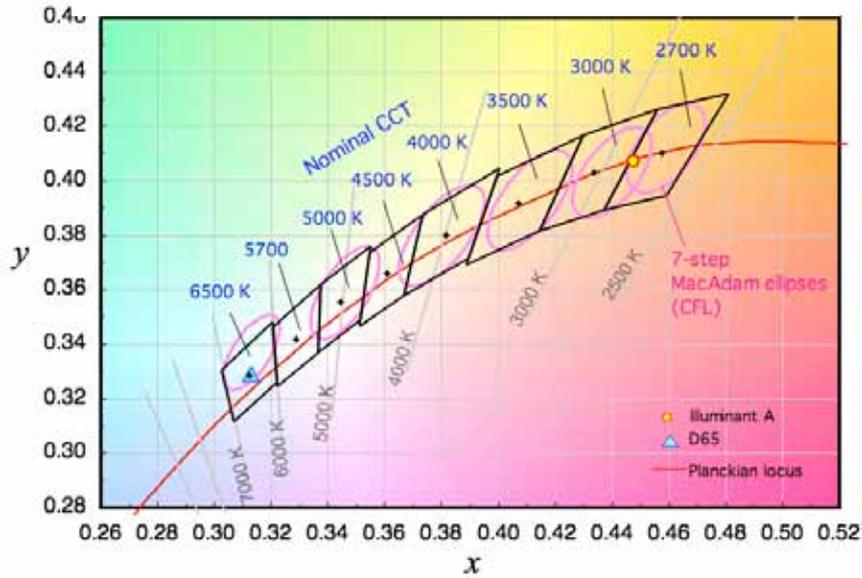
- Practical calculation and conversion formulae for CCT and Duv have been developed.
- Accuracies of some of the formulae will be further improved.
- The use of CCT and Duv (rather than x , y or u' , v' chromaticity coordinates) is recommended to specify the chromaticity of lighting sources.

THANK YOU for your
attention.

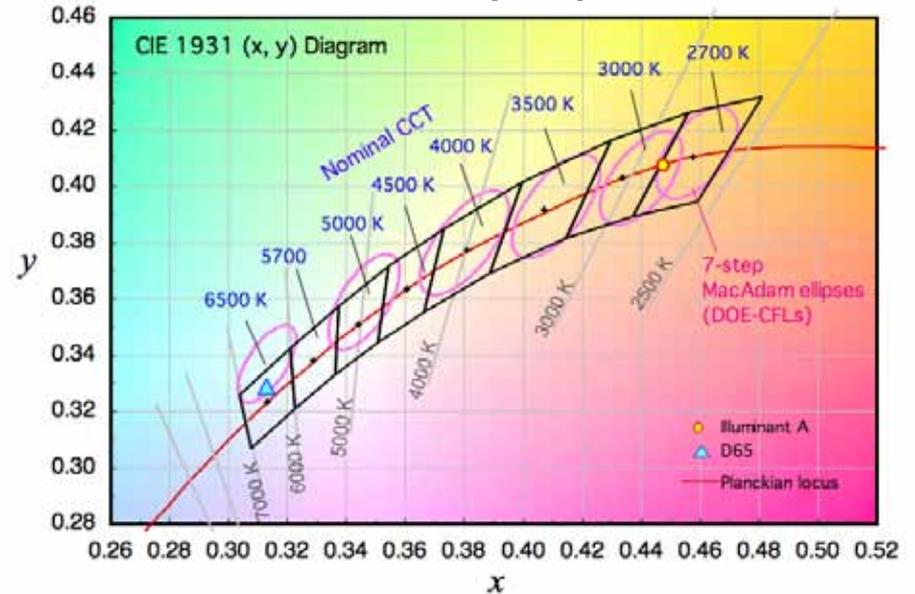
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Proposed revision of ANSI C78.377

Current version



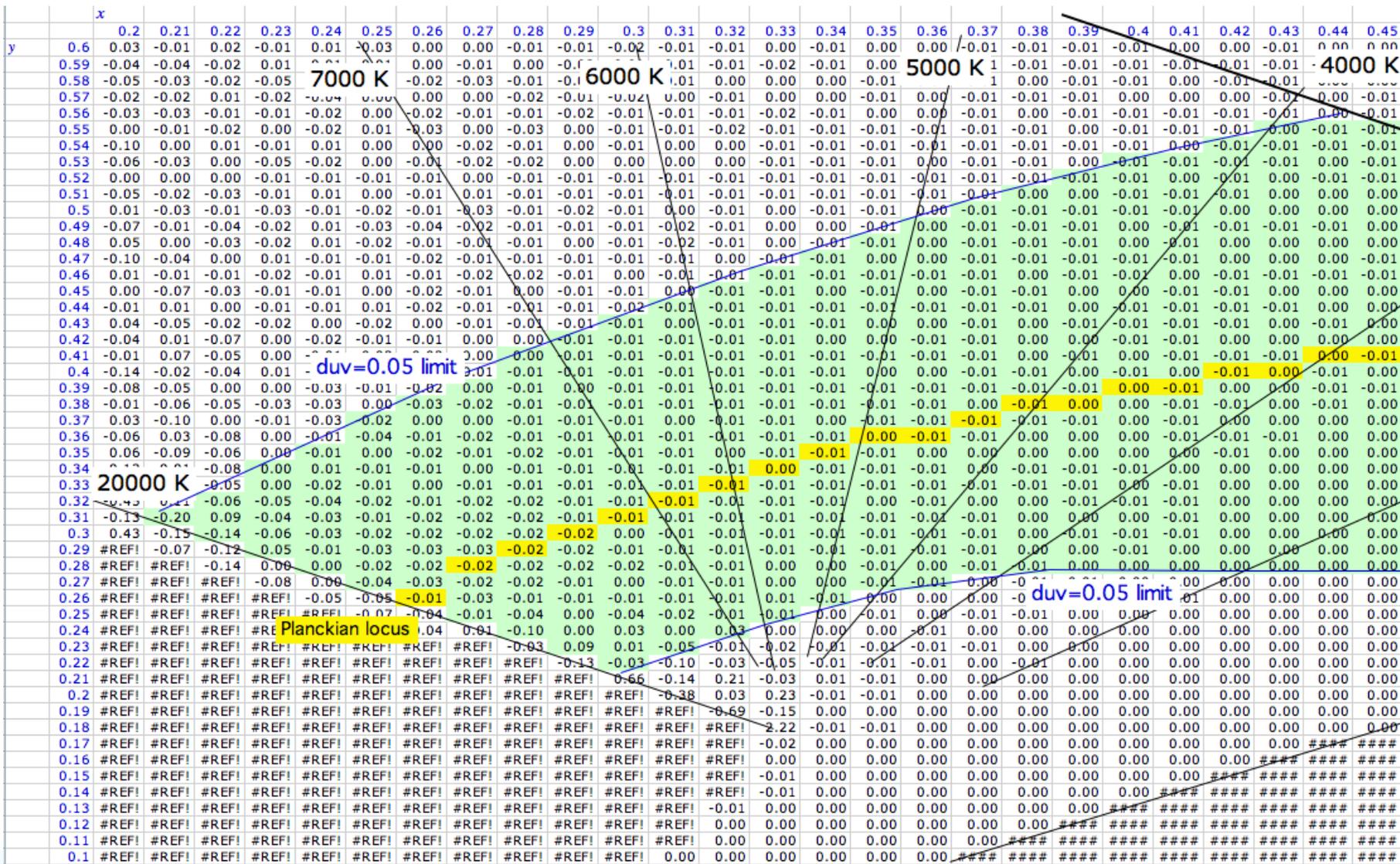
Revision proposal 2



- All center points to be moved onto the Planckian locus.
- This proposal is pending due to a need for vision experiments.
- Anecdotes say people prefer below the Planckian locus.
- NIST is funded by DOE to conduct vision experiments using STLF.



CCT (K) difference between 3rd stage and 5th stage



Summary

- Duv is important for color quality of light sources.
- Duv is often neglected in specifications.
- Parabolic and triangle combined solution works well for CCT calculation.
- 1 % step table provides enough accuracy
(<1 K for 1000 to 10000 K, <2 K up to 20000 K, $D_{uv} \pm 0.03$)
- Most Accurate Version (cascade expansion),
- Conversion from (CCT, Duv) back to (x,y),
- Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u' , v') to Duv,
- Simple calculation from (x,y) or (u' , v') to (CCT, Duv) have been developed.