

Driver IC for Fine Pitch Display with micro-LED

The World-Leading LED Driver Expert



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About Macroblock

- Founded in June, 1999.
- Publicly traded in October, 2007 (3527.TW)
- Total capital: USD 9,938,040 (TWD327M) 3527.TW
- Employees: +180
- Main products: LED drivers



- Ranked 27th on the 2007 Deloitte Technology Fast 50 Taiwan Ranking
- Ranked 166th on the 2007 Deloitte Technology Fast 500 Asia Pacific Ranking
- Ranked 48th on the 2008 Deloitte Technology Fast 50 Taiwan Ranking in Revenue
- Ranked 47th on the 2008 Deloitte Technology Fast 50 Taiwan Ranking in Profitability Ability
- Awarded the Certificate of Corporate Governance System CG6004 、 CG6005 、 CG6007

Ranked 1st

LED Driver ICs Supplier in LED Display

Macroblock is ranked 1st in LED Display Driver ICs worldwide.

From IHS 2014 Driver IC report

- IHS believes that Macroblock is the number-one supplier in total signage and in the video-wall category.
- Macroblock seems to be leading the market growth in signage and in the video-wall category.

LED Driver ICs Supplier Rankings

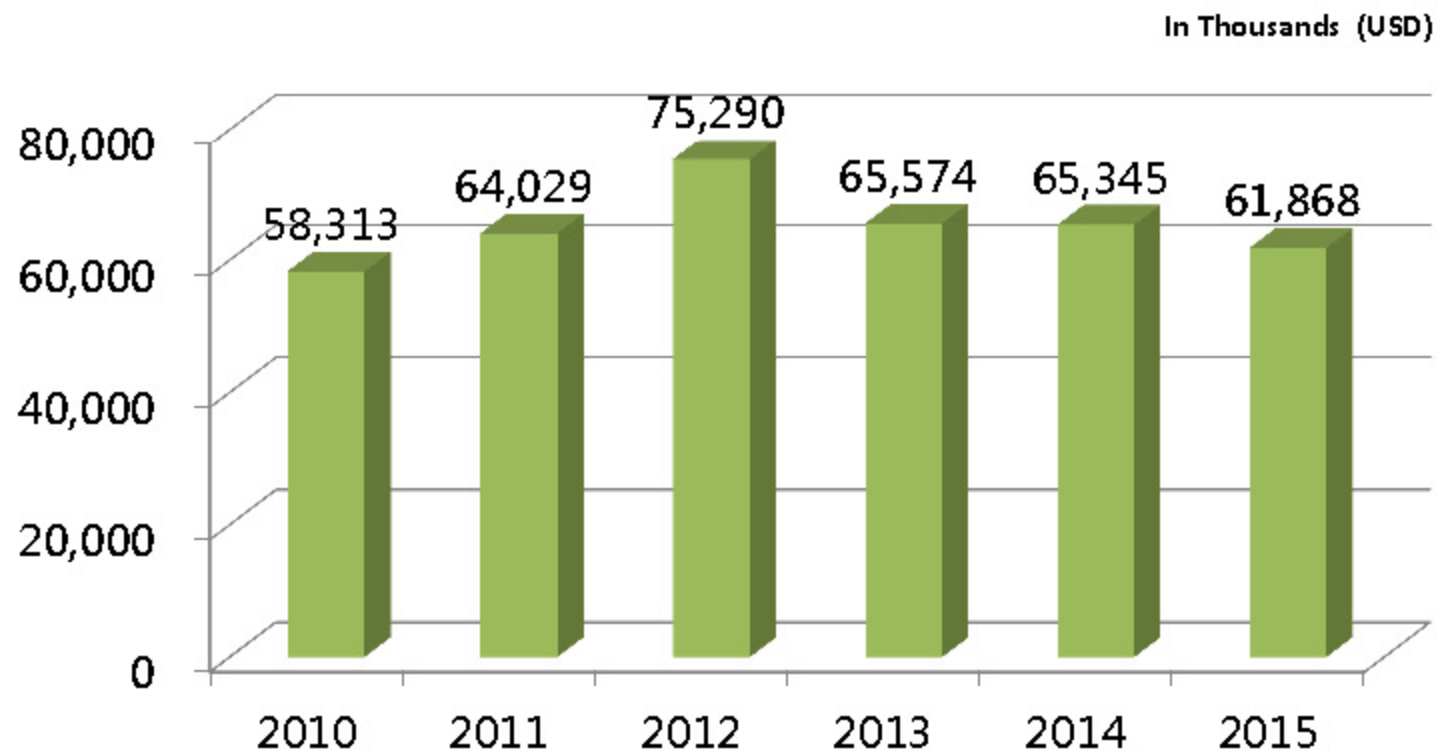
By Application for 2013

Rank	Signage
1	Macroblock
2	Texas Instruments
3	Toshiba
4	ams
5	STMicroelectronics

Source: IHS Apr-14

IHS 2014 Driver IC report (April, 2014)

Consolidated Annual Sales Records



*The financial data is based on T-IFRS since 2013.

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CASE STUDY

A Case for Display Driver IC: Fine Pitch Display



Location: Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport
Terminal II, Taiwan

MBI's Solution : MBI5153

Application : Fine Pitch LED Display for Commercial Requirements :

- High Gray Scale : 14 bit
- High Refresh Rate: 3840Hz
- Resolve non-uniform image, bright lines / cross lines caused by LED dead pixels



A Case for Display Driver IC: Fine Pitch Display



Location: Broadcast TV Studio,
Canal France Inter-national (CFI), France

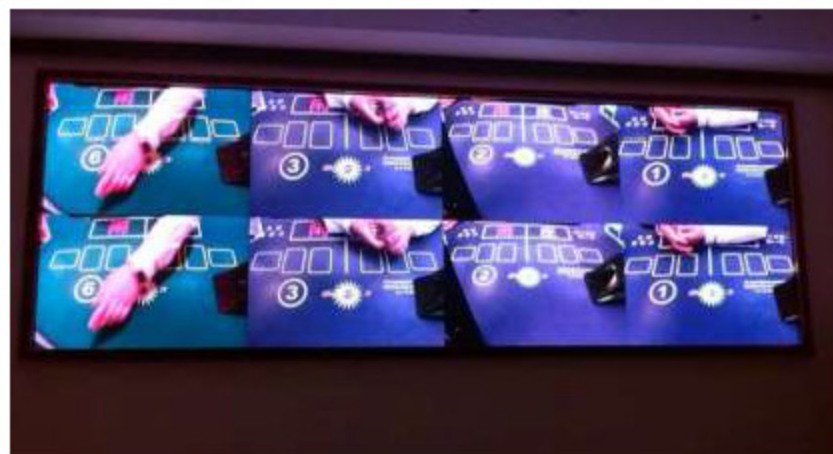
MBI's Solution : MBI5152

Application : Fine Pitch LED Display at TV Studio

Requirement :

- High Gray Scale : 14 bit
- High Refresh Rate: 3840Hz
- Deghosting
- Resolve Color Shift

A Case for Display Driver IC: Fine Pitch Display



Location: Macao,
Sands Macao Hotel

MBI's Solution : MBI5153

Application :

Fine Pitch LED Display at Central Control Room

Requirement :

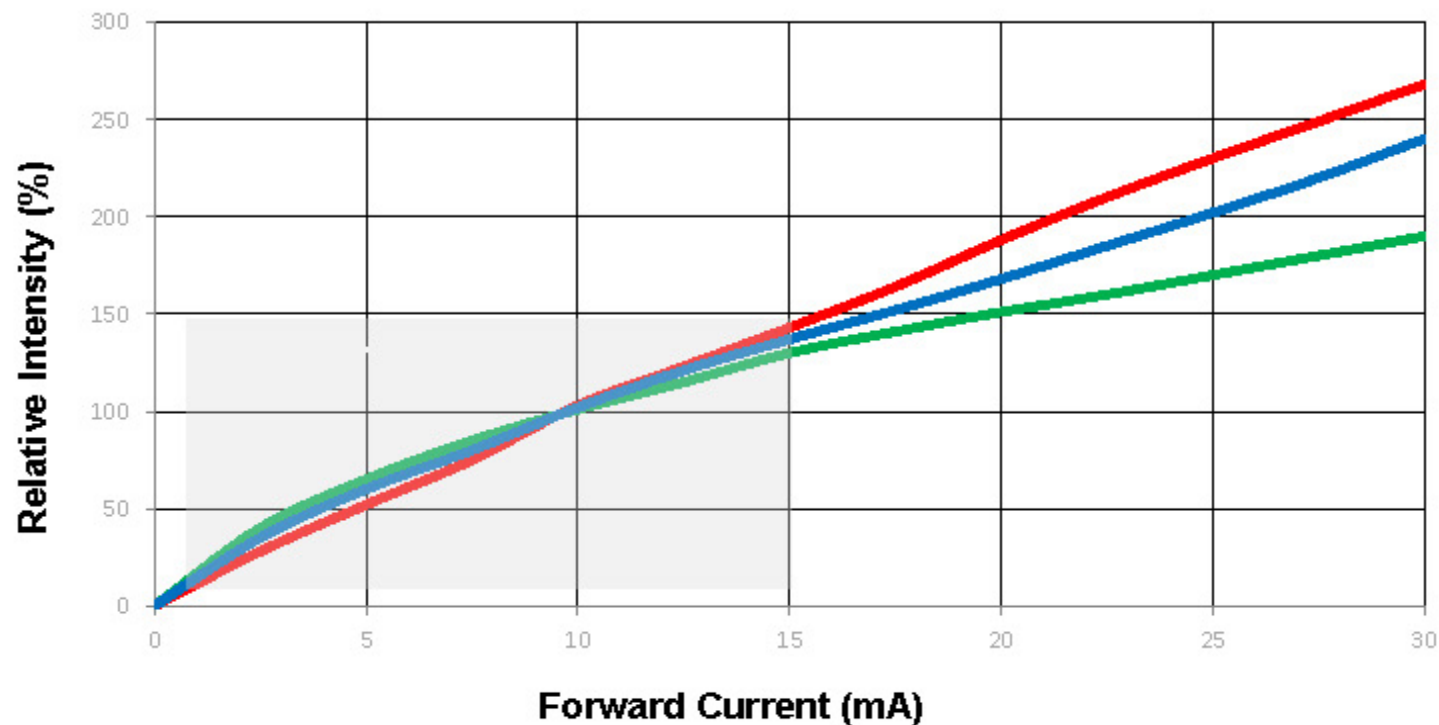
- Superior Image Quality
- High Reliability with Non-Stop Transmission
- Resolve Cross Effect Caused by LED Failure
- Bezel-Free

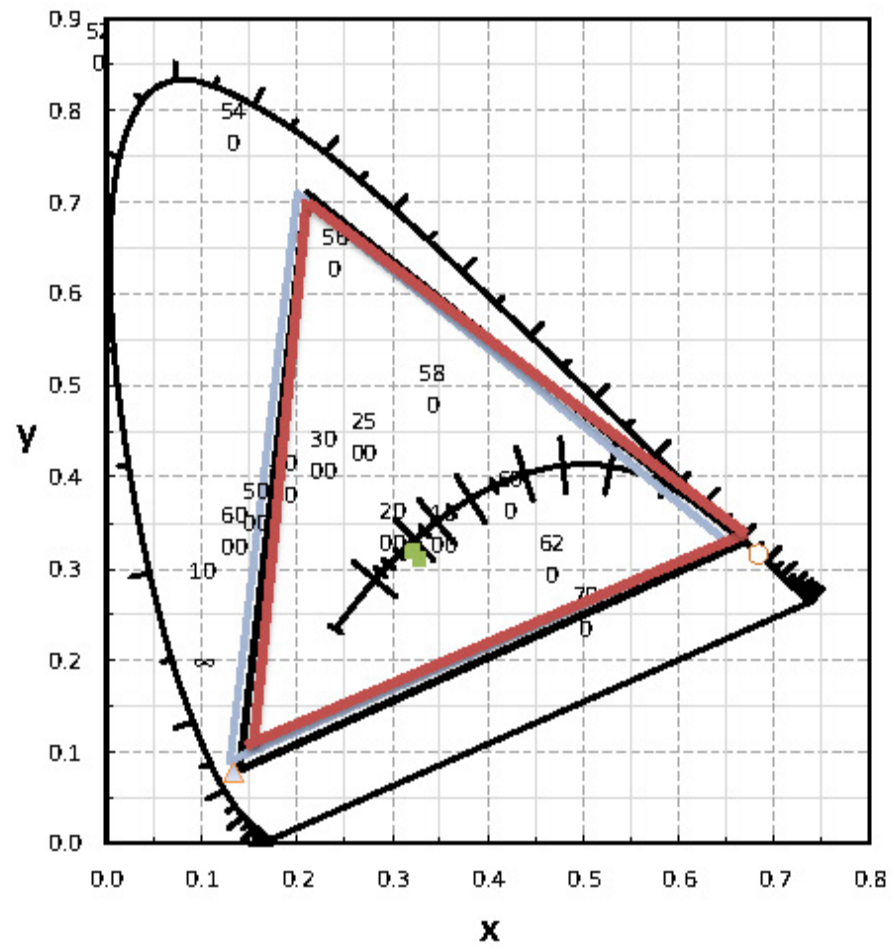
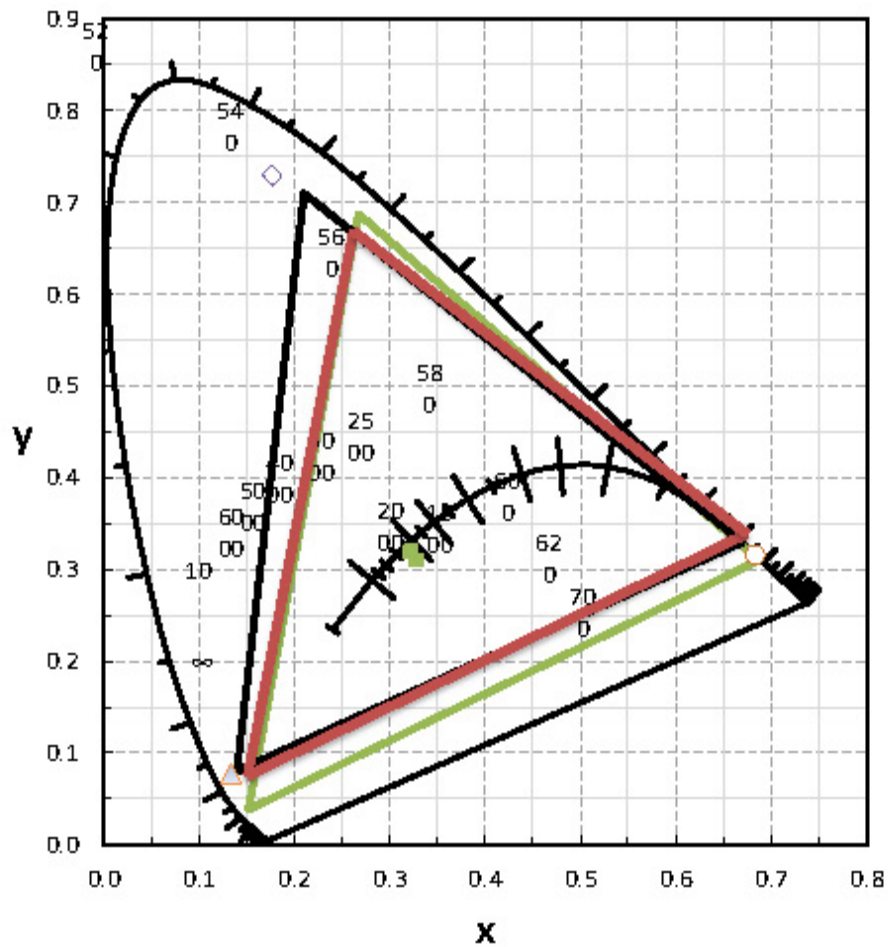
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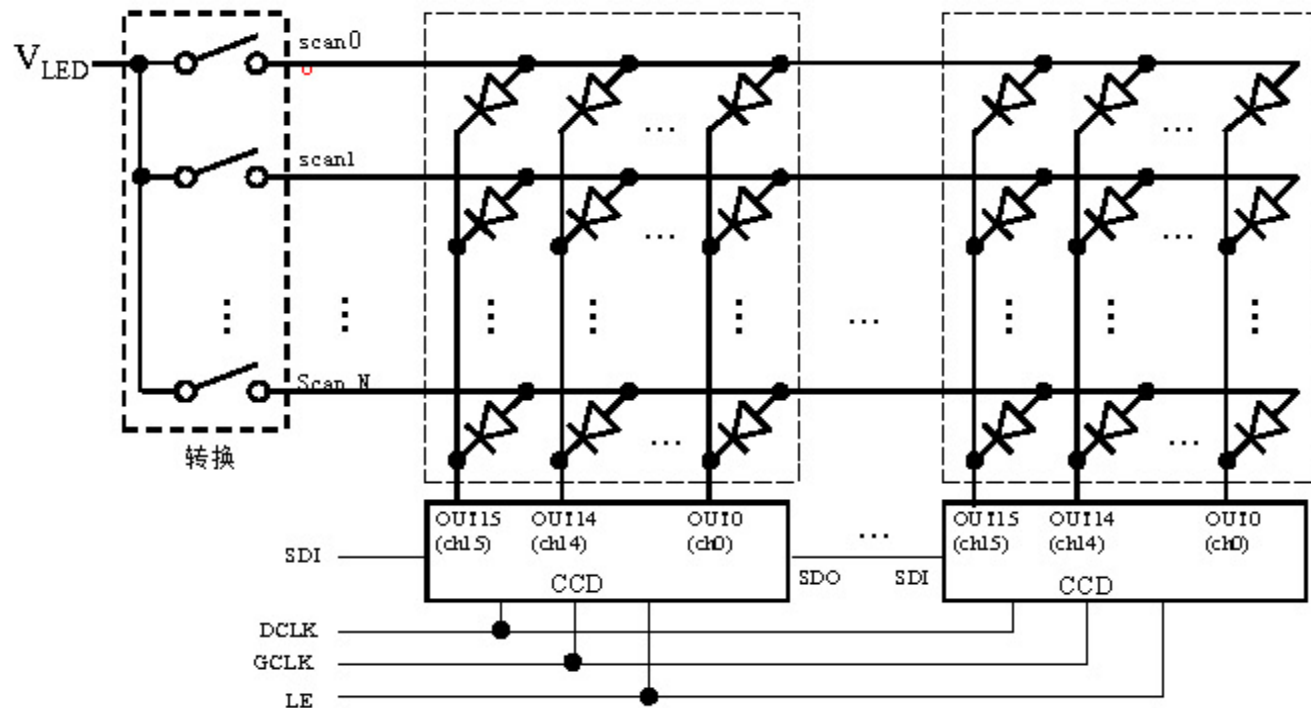
CONSTANT VOLTAGE/CURRENT

Non-Linearity between Current/Luminance

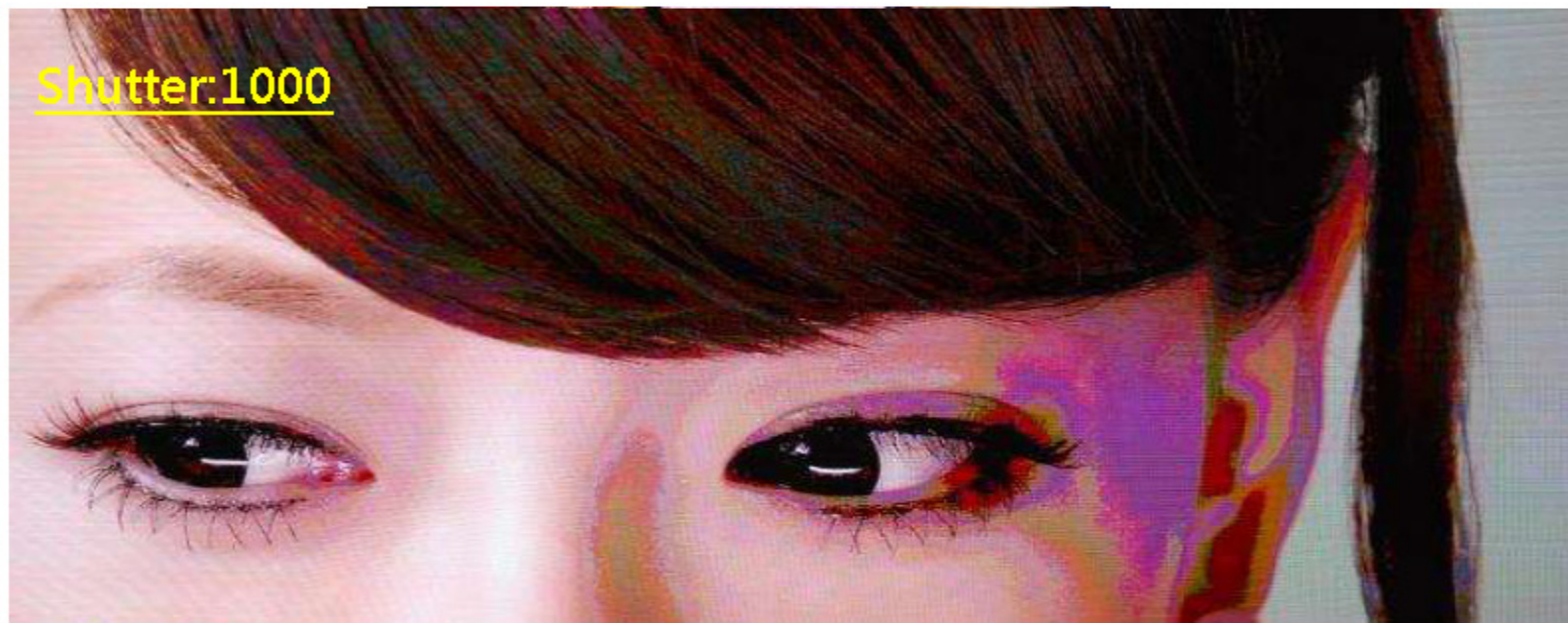




Principle of Time Multiplexing



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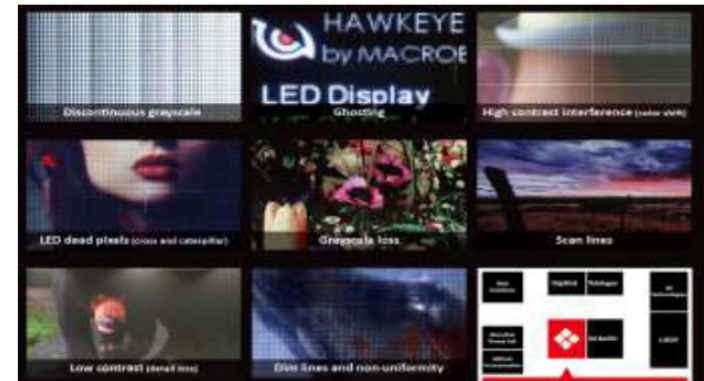


High Refresh Rate
Low Gray Scale

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COMMONLY SEEN VISUAL PROBLEMS



Challenge I

Discontinuous grayscale



What it should be



Challenge II

Ghosting



What it should be

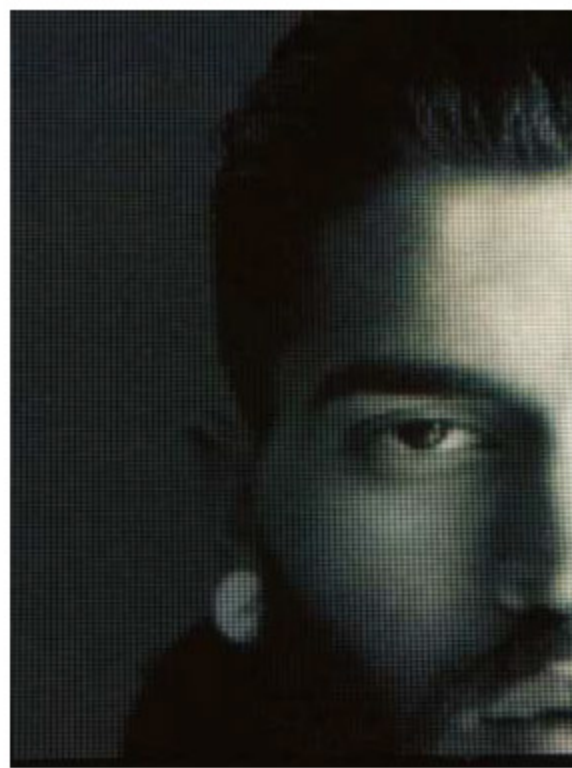


Challenge III

Color shift-Red tint

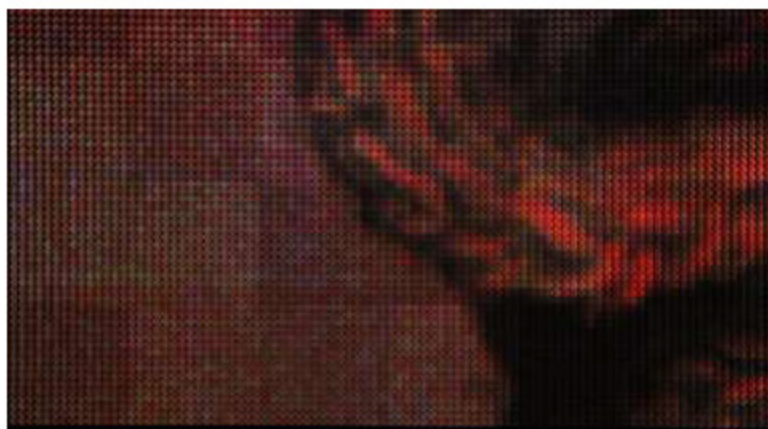


What it should be



Challenge IV

Patches



What it should be

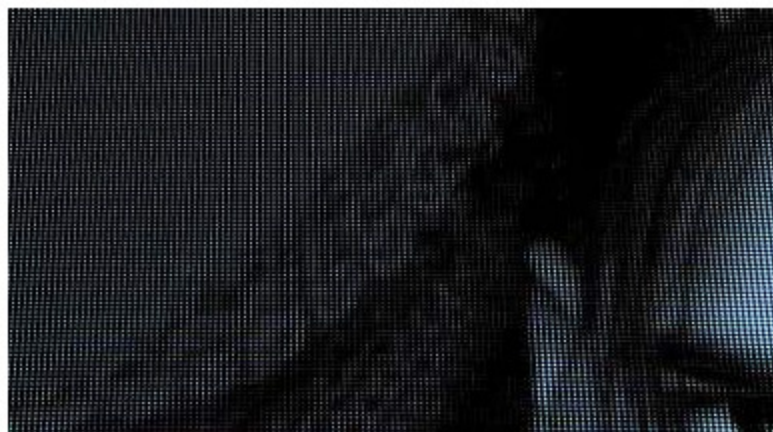


Challenge V

Dim lines



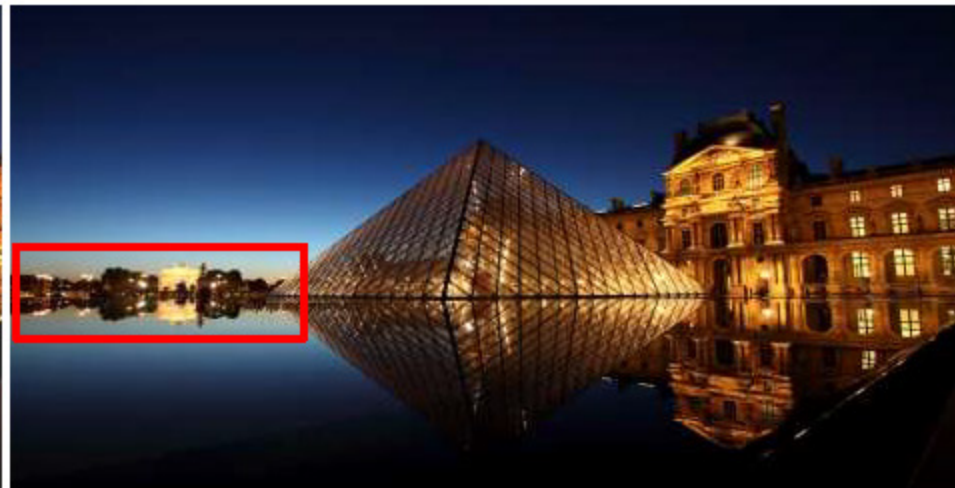
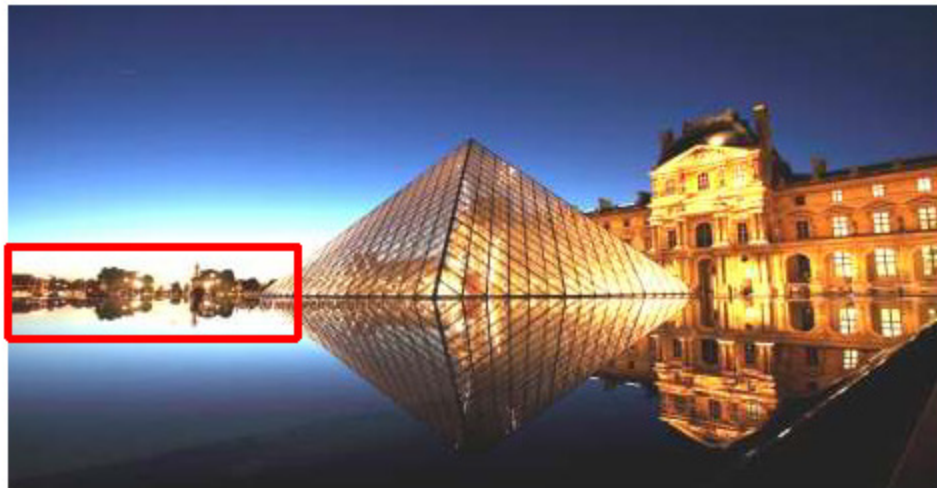
What it should be



Challenge VI

White out-Details loss

What it should be



Challenge VII

LED dead pixel-Cross

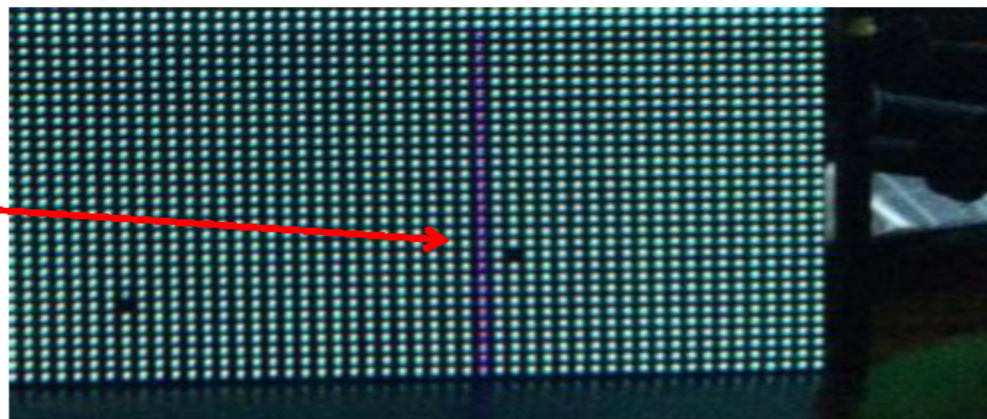
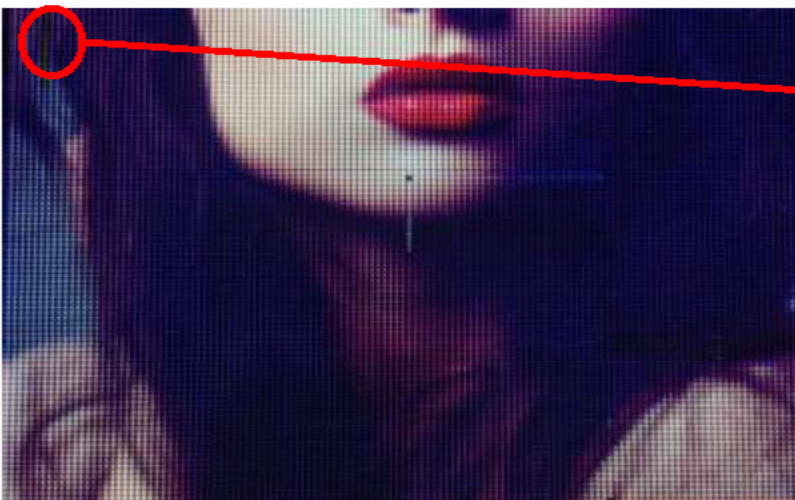


Dead pixel isolation



Challenge VIII

LED dead pixel-Caterpillar



Dead pixel isolation



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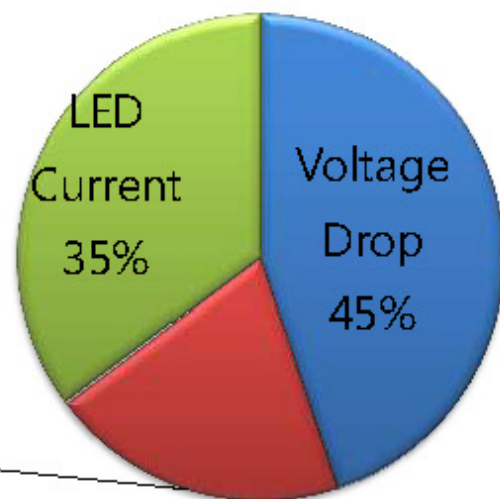
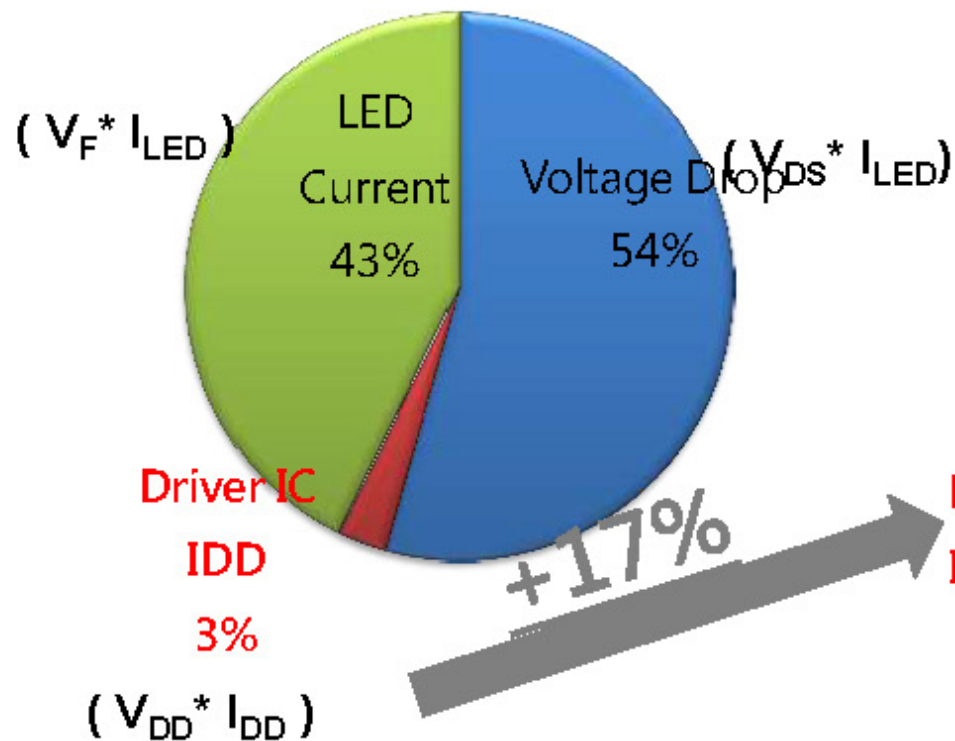


LOW POWER CONSUMPTION

I_{DD} Accounts More in LED Display

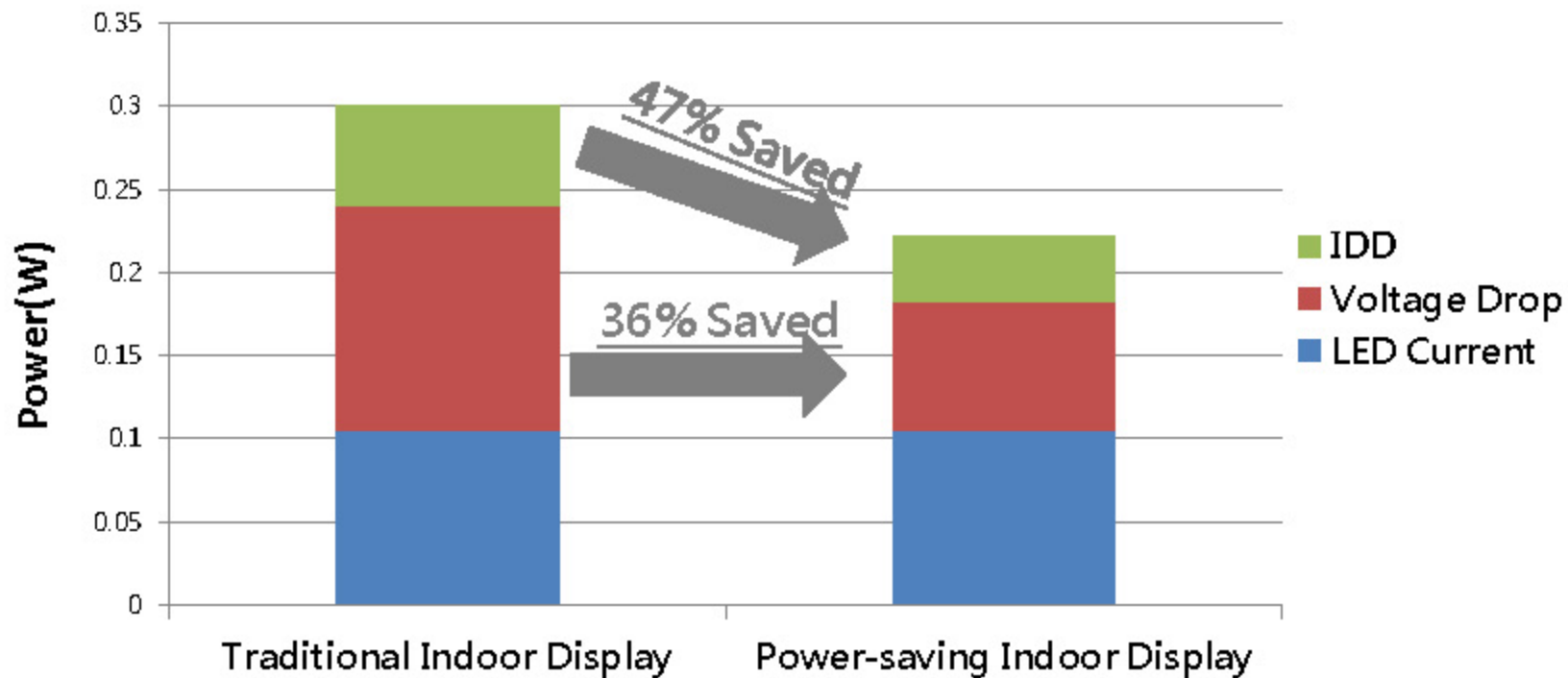
Outdoor Display

Indoor Display

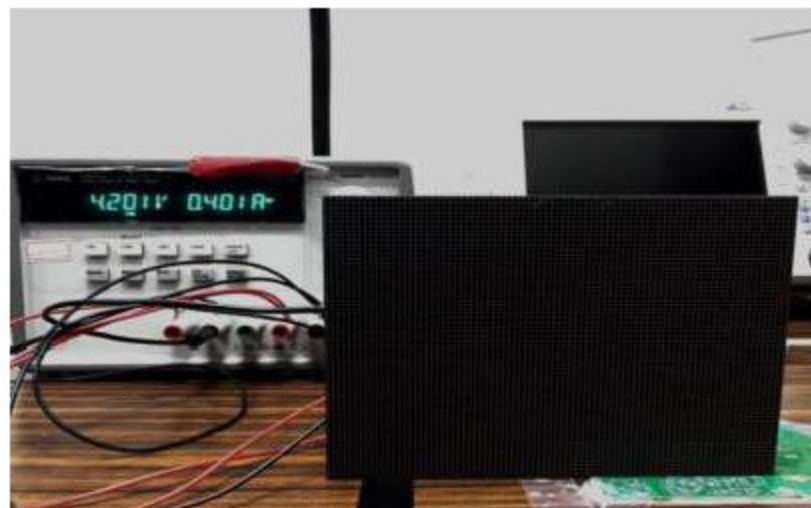


+17%

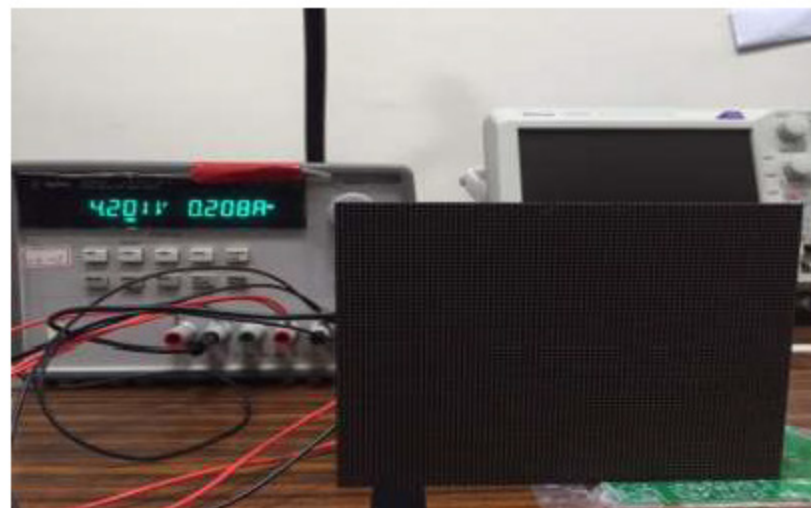
$$V_{DD} = V_{LED} = 4V$$



Intelligent Power Saving Mode



without intelligent power saving mode:
401mA is consumed
(Display is showing black)



with intelligent power saving mode
208mA is consumed
(Display is showing black)

Example of Dynamic Power Saving



P1.9, ~2m²

Dynamic Power Consumption:
430W (Varied with designs)
Power Saving: 45.4W

Efficiency: 10.4% ↑

Note.

Dynamic Power Saving Per Module:

$(401\text{mA} - 208\text{mA}) * 4.2\text{V} / 1,000 = 0.81\text{W}$

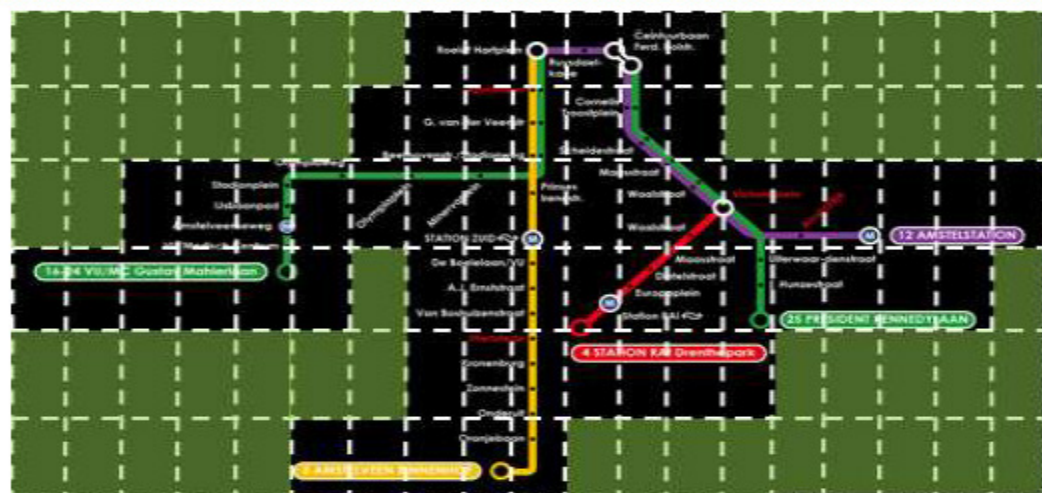
(Based on experiment data)

Power Saving:

$55(\text{Black area}) * 0.81 = 44.6\text{W}$

Efficiency:

$44.6 / 430 = 10.4\%$



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Thank You!