

$\log(L^*/L^*_u)$

CIELAB

relative lightness L^*/L^*_u
normalized to the
background lightness L^*_u

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$$L^*_{\text{CIELAB}} = 116(Y/Y_u)^{1/3} - 16 \quad (Y_u = 100, 0.89 \leq Y) \quad [2a]$$

$$L^*_{\text{CIELAB}} = 65.4(Y/Y_u)^{1/3} - 16 \quad (Y_u = 18, 0.89 \leq Y) \quad [2b]$$

regularity index: $g^*_5=88, g^*_9=74,$ [ISO 15775]

1 linearized real output:

equally spaced 9 steps in CIELAB

after contrast transfer $C_Y=25:1$ to $2:1$

