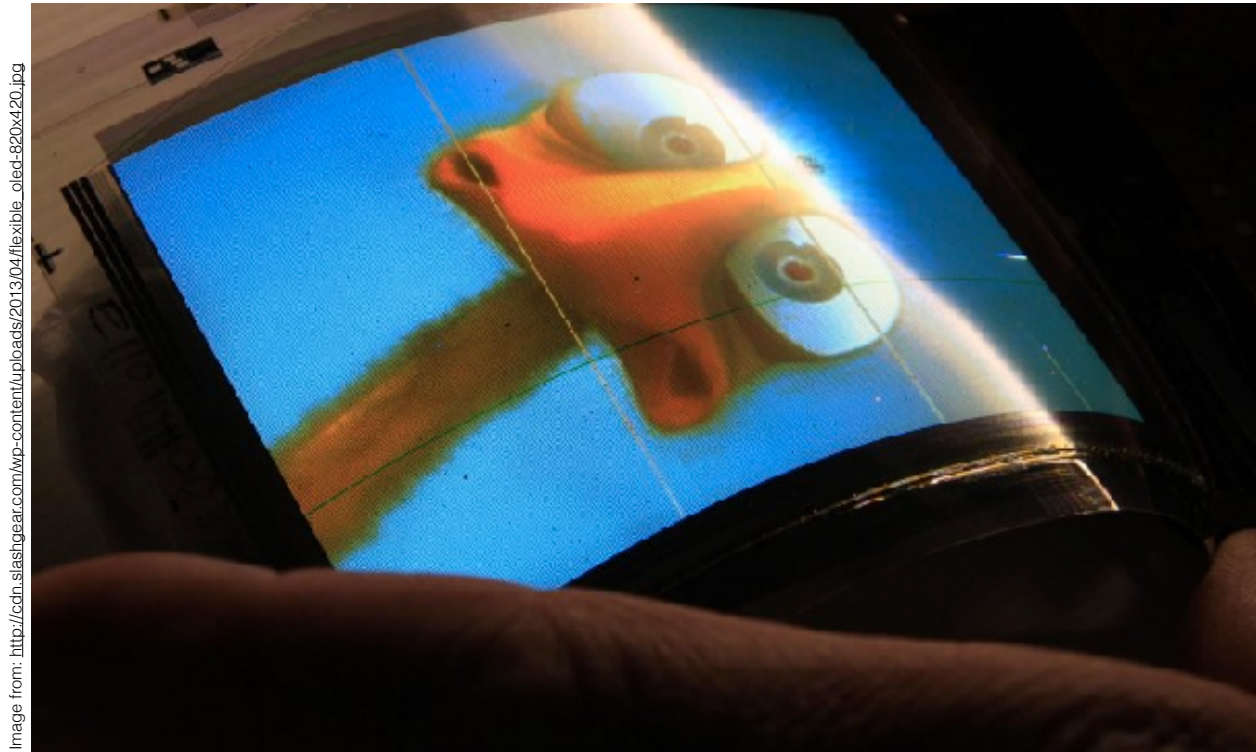


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Lecture 13



Energy Consumption Optimisation

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Overview

- Mobile apps and OLED screens
- Energy consumption of OLED screens as an optimisation problem
- A multi-objective evolutionary algorithm for this problem

Mobile Apps

- Mobile apps have widespread use.
- Mobile apps consume energy (battery).
- Studies show that battery consumption is one of the key factors considered by users when choosing a mobile app.
- In order to reduce energy consumption, one can concentrate on how mobile apps use energy-greedy hardware components, e.g., GPS, Wi-Fi, or the screen.

Screens...

Old-Style Cathode-Ray Tubes (CRTs) TVs



Image from: <http://robonwriting.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/OldTV.jpg>

The biggest ones were about 30–60cm (1–2ft) deep and almost too heavy to lift by yourself.

1940s TVs



Image from: http://3.bp.blogspot.com/-vkaOVPMiqk8/VPcydzeDIeI/AAAAAAAAABeg/hUutzQmatK8/s1600/TVeuropa_TV_Baird_T-18_1938.JPG

Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) TVs



LED-backlit LCD TV (LED TVs)



Organic LED (OLED) TVs



Image from: <http://cdn2.digitaltrends.com/image/lg-65ec9700-lined-up-970x647-c.jpg>

OLED Mobiles

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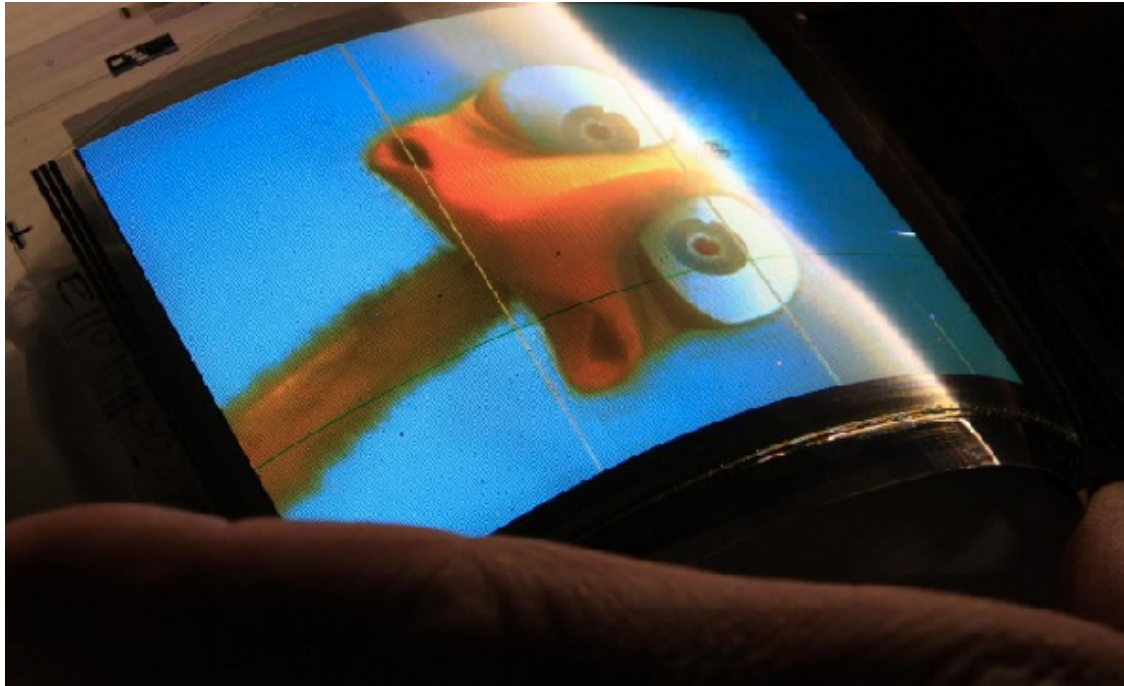


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We can reduce energy consumption by choosing an appropriate GUI colour composition!

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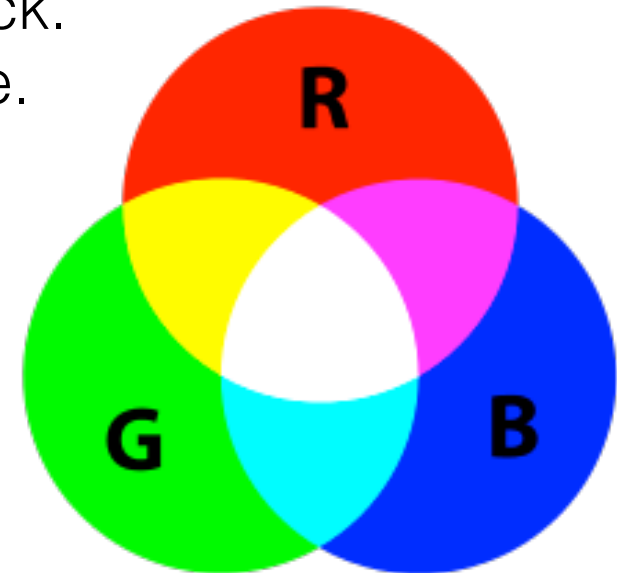
- NSGA-II has been used for this problem.
- The design for the algorithm will be explained at the same time as more details on the problem formulation are given.

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RGB Colour Scheme

- Produces colours by combining the primary (component) colours red, green and blue.
- Used to represent and display images in electronic systems.
- Each of the primary colours has a level of intensity.
 - Zero intensity for all colours gives black.
 - Full intensity for all colours gives white.
- Different numeric representations, e.g.:
 - Digital 8-bit per channel
($\{0,1\}^8, \{0,1\}^8, \{0,1\}^8$)
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http://www.rapidtables.com/web/color/RGB_Color.htm

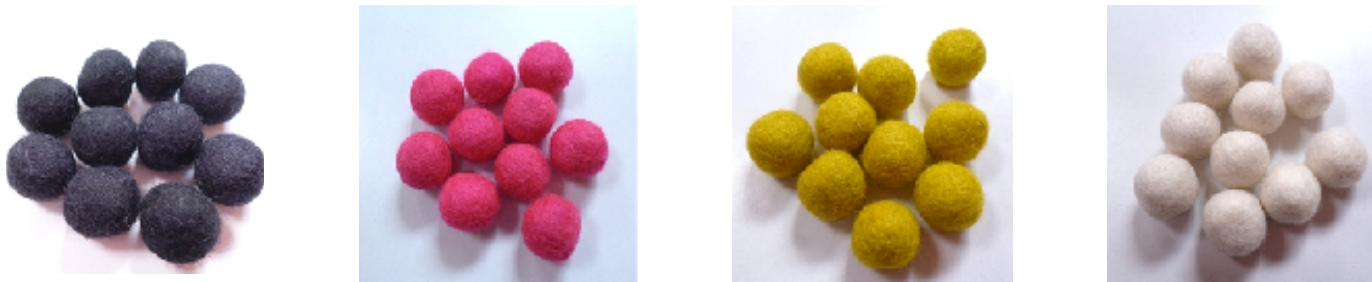
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- We can exclude pixels from images to avoid changing the colours of these.

Representation

- Vector of genes, where each gene defines the colour of a BOCP.
- If we have N different colours in the original design, we will have N genes.

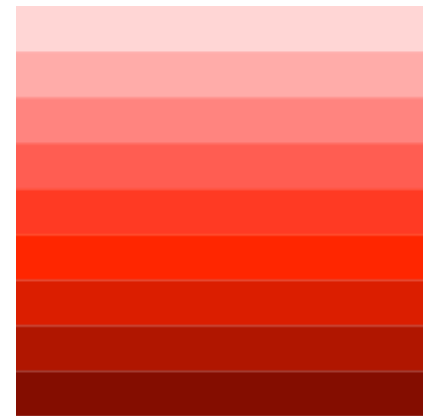
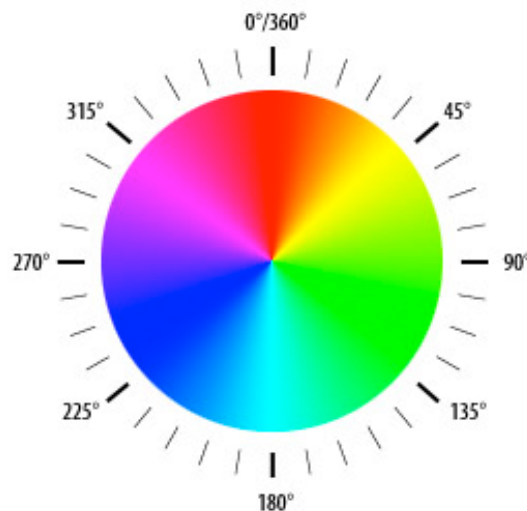


So, pixels with the same colour in the original design will have the same colour in the optimised design.

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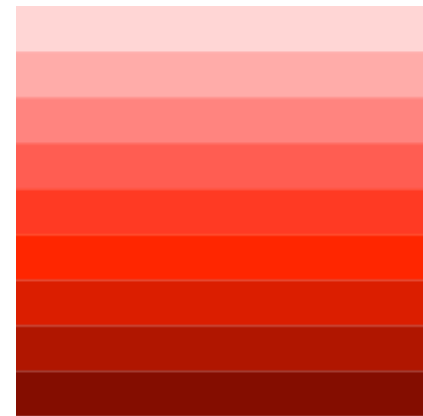
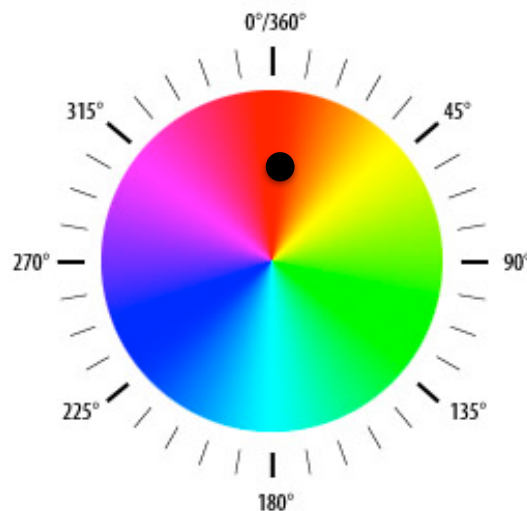
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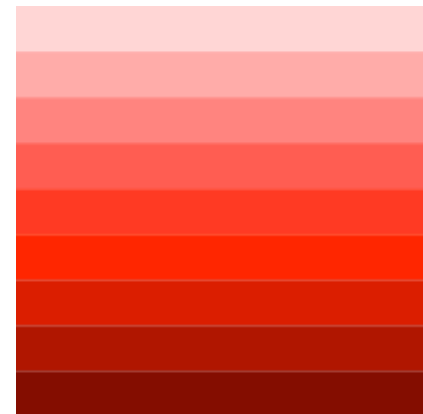
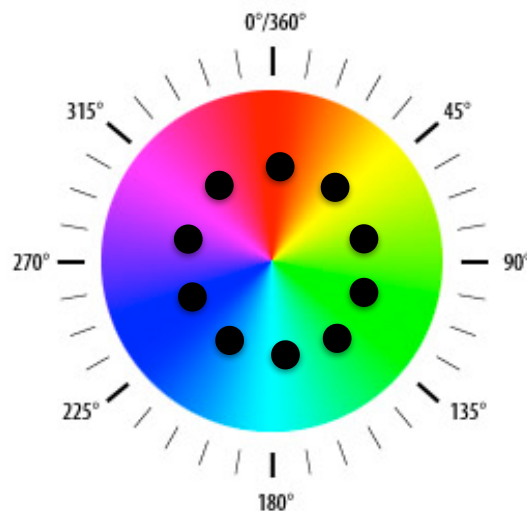
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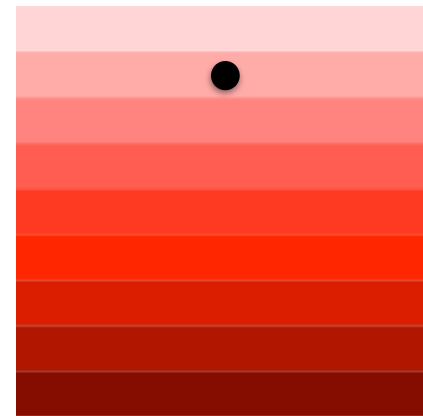
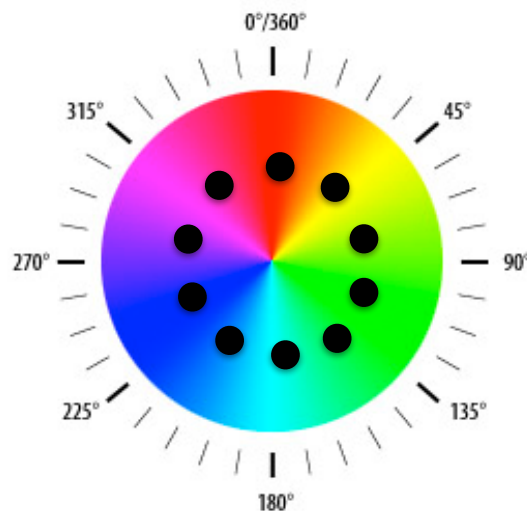
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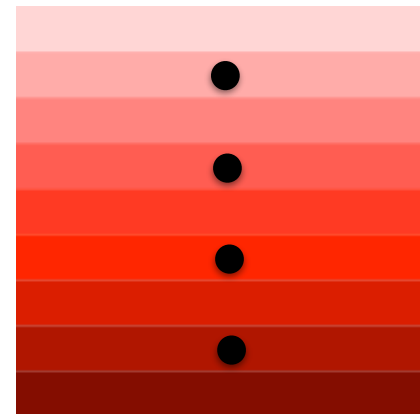
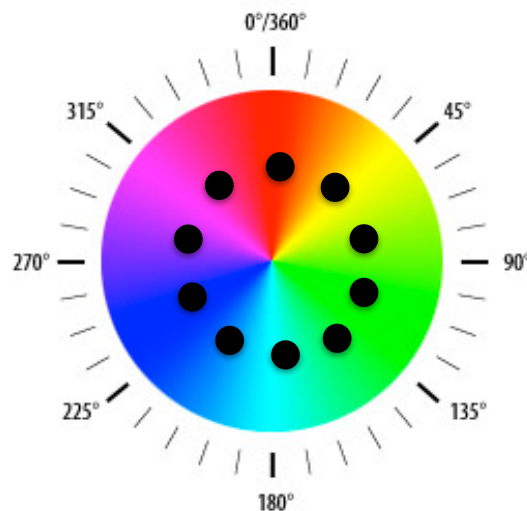
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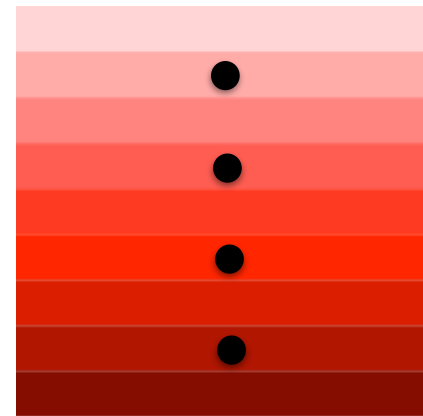
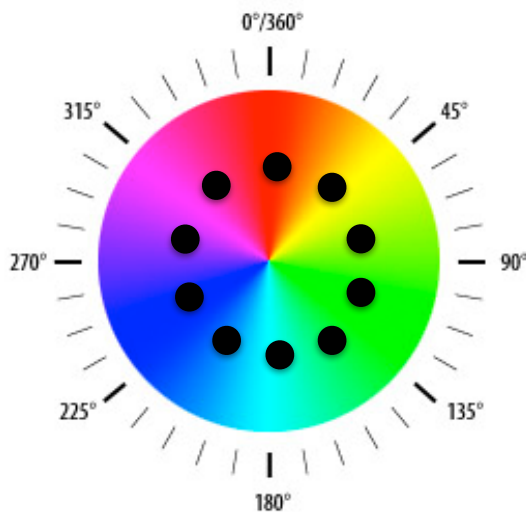
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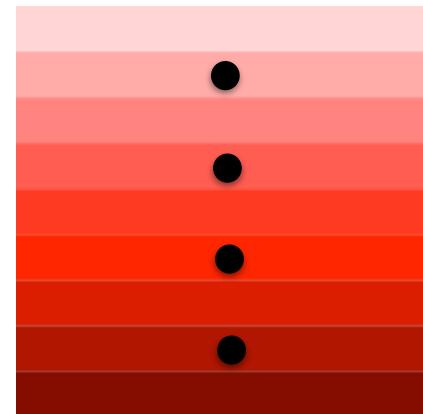
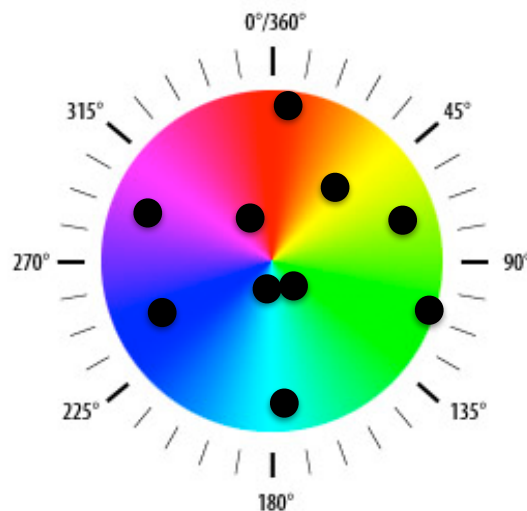
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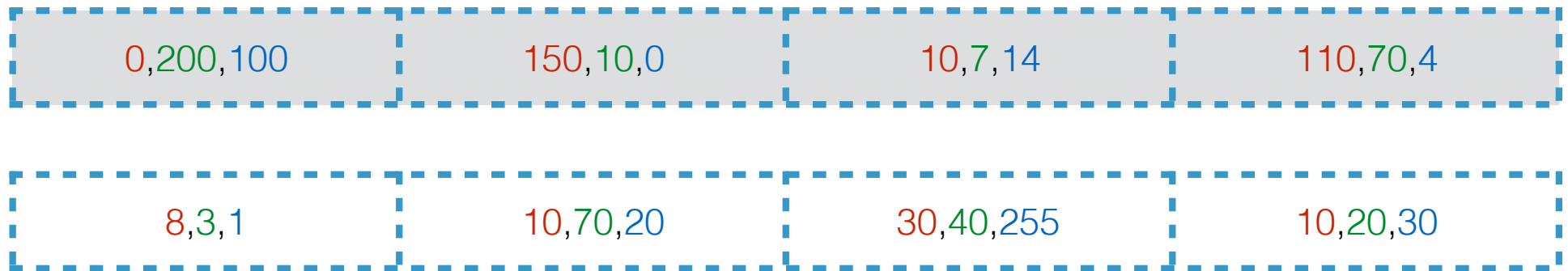
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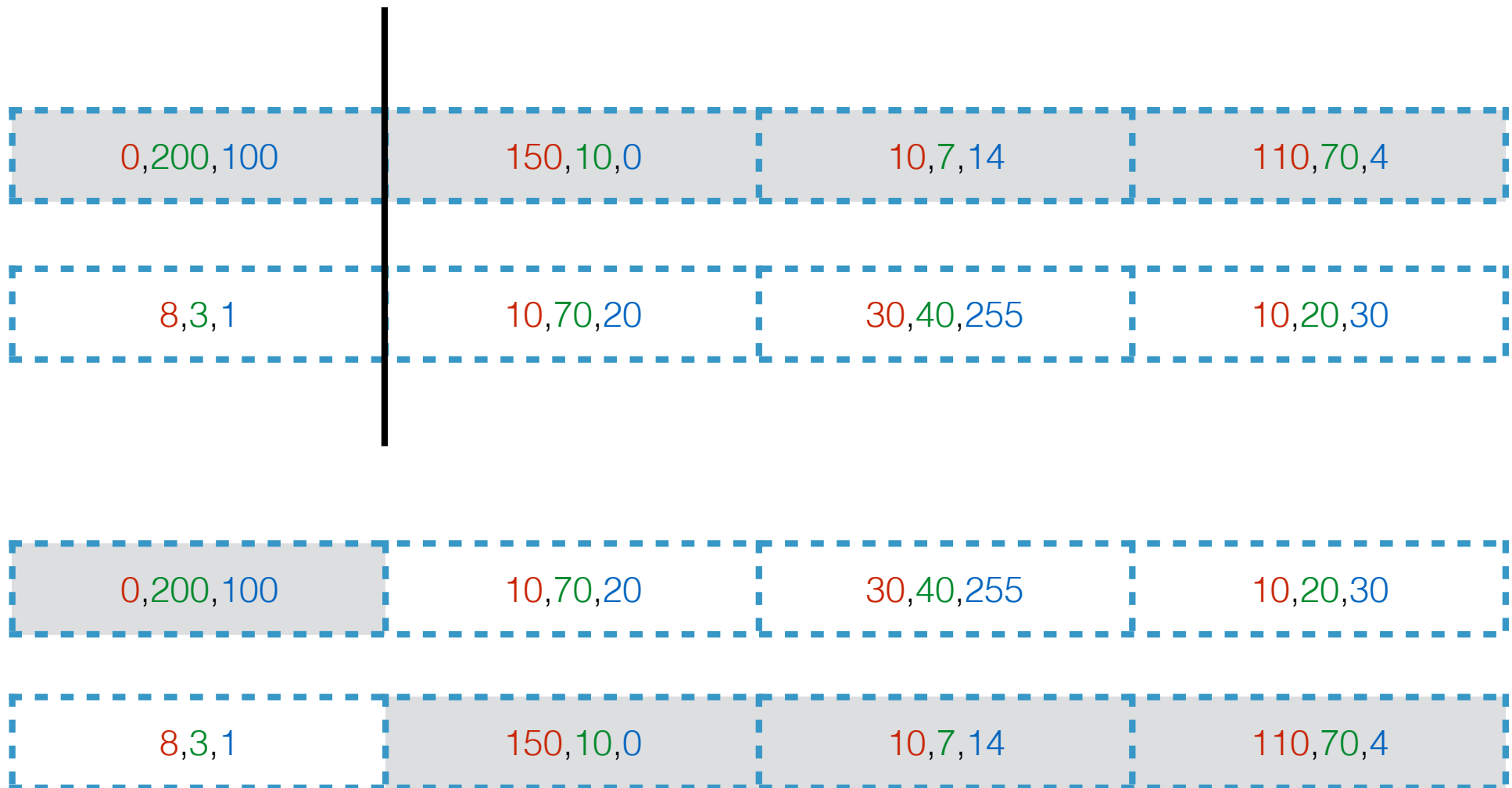
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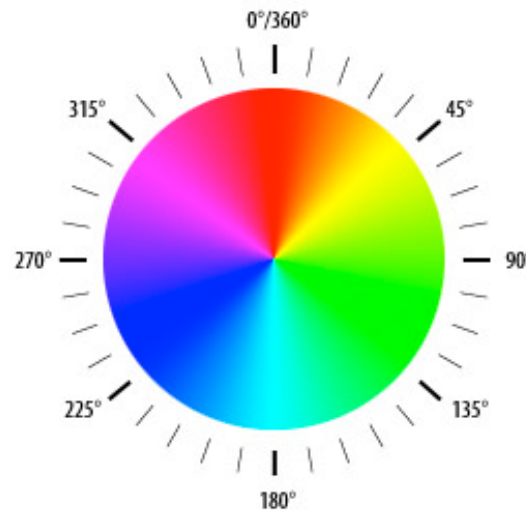


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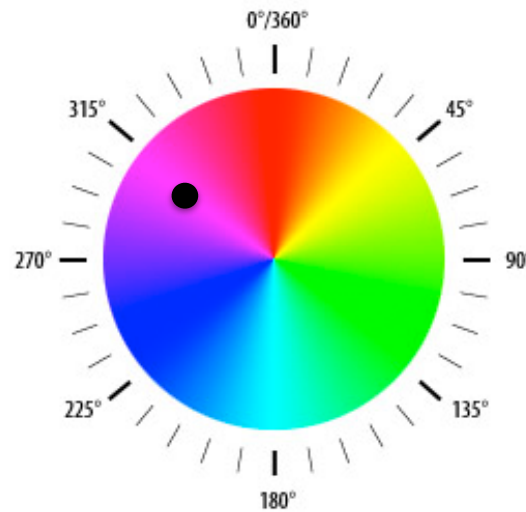


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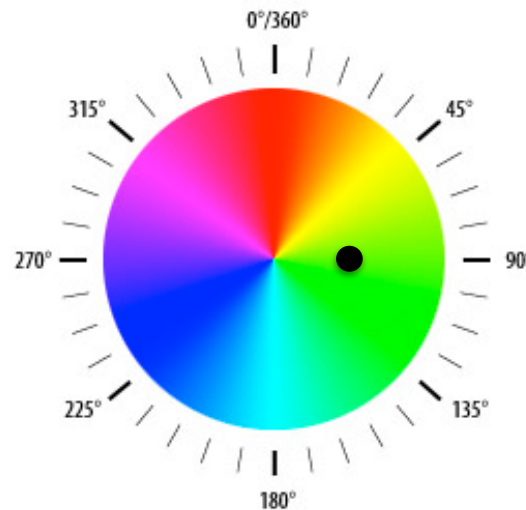


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- One can measure the power consumption for each level of each component colour for a given type of screen.



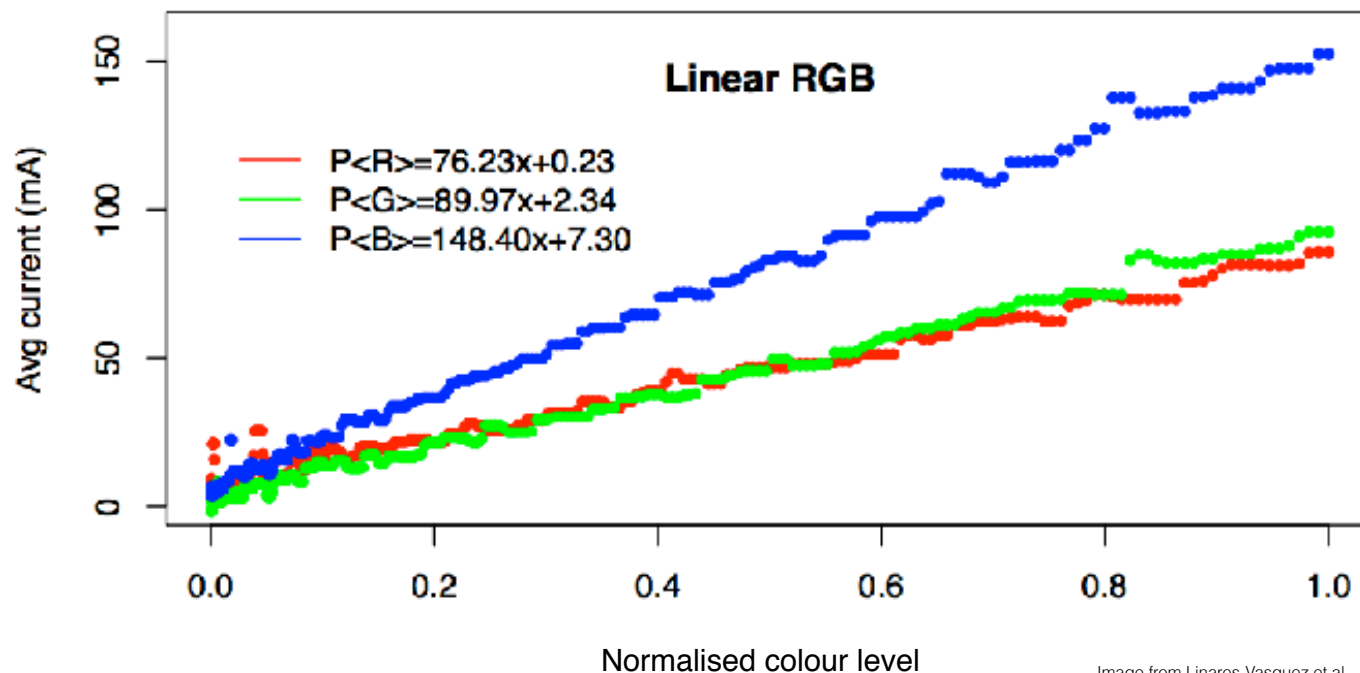
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- After some transformations, we get the following power consumption model for the screen used by Samsung Galaxy S4:



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- A screen is composed of $X * Y$ pixels, where X is the maximum x coordinate and Y is the maximum y coordinate.
- Power consumption of all pixels in a screen s :

$$\text{TotalPower}(s) = \sum_{x=1}^X \sum_{y=1}^Y P(\text{colour}_{x,y,s})$$

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Finding Adjacent Screen Components

- Android View Server can provide us with the location of each component of a screen and its pixels.
- **contrast($C_{c,s}$)**: sum of the contrasts between a component $C_{c,s}$ and each of its adjacent components.

$$\text{TotalContrast(GUI)} = \sum_{s=1}^S \sum_{c=1}^{C_s} \text{contrast}(C_{c,s})$$

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- Distance between an optimised and the original design:
 - Determine the distances between each colour C in the new design and its closest colour C' in the original design.
 - If a given C and C' are different colours involving the same component, penalise the colour difference by multiplying the corresponding distance by 2.
 - Sum all the [penalised] distances.

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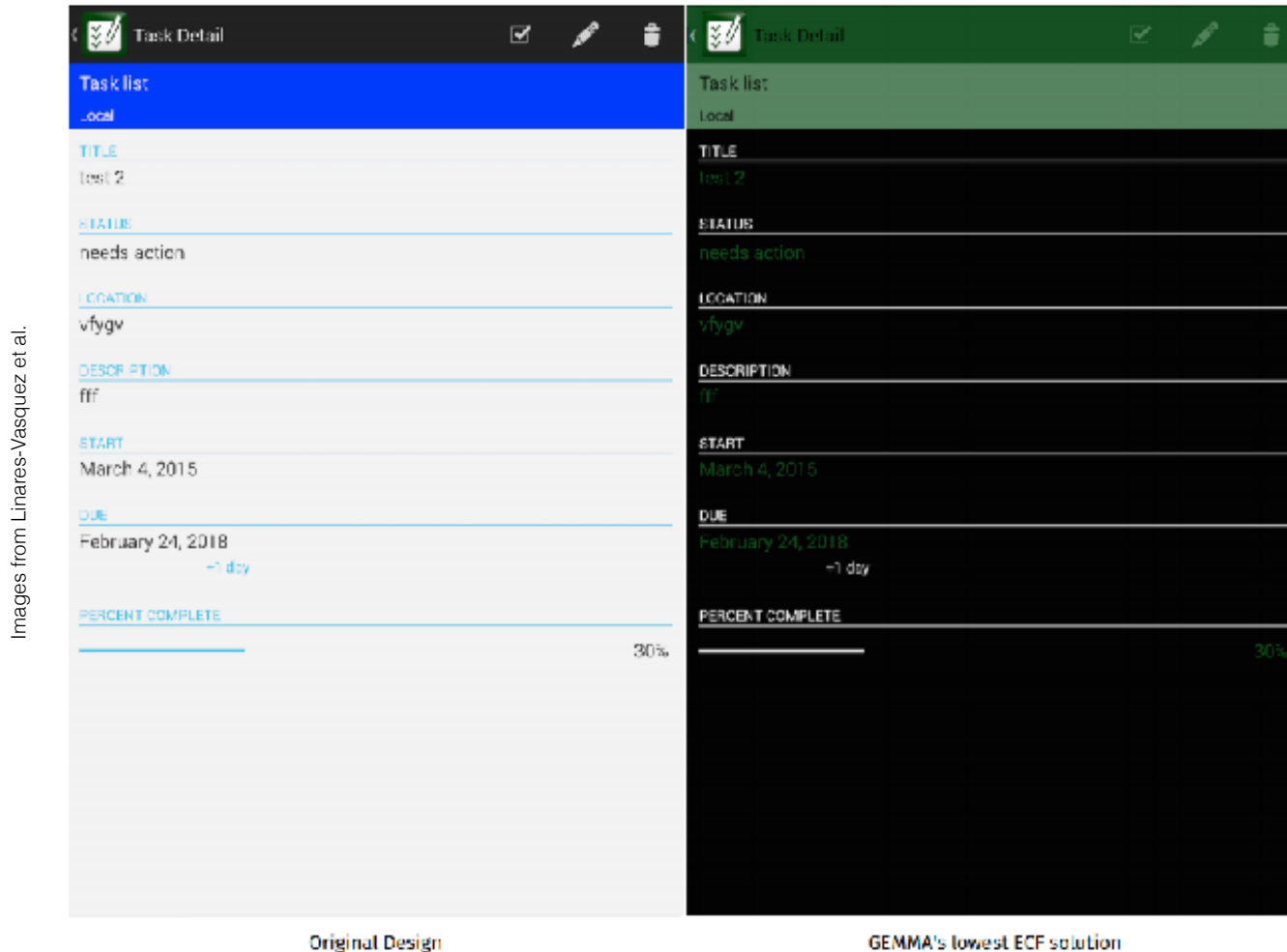
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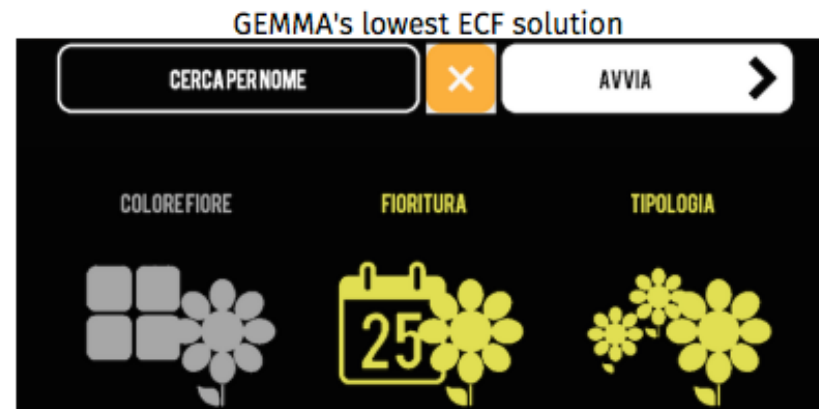
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- Dealing with constraints (in NSGA-II):
 - An infeasible solution is worse than a feasible solution.
 - When comparing two infeasible solutions, the one with lower number of violations is better.

Examples of Solutions



The optimised GUI (right) offers energy consumption savings of up to 53% as well as an increase in terms of contrast ratio by 31%.

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Images from Linares-Vasquez et al.

Further Reading

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