## LED Backlight with Special FOV for Automobile

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The LCDs (Liquid crystal displays, LCDs) used in automobile have to present wide field of viewing (FOV), which cause the cost increase. Different from LCDs in common life, it would be beneficial for the LCDs in automible to have the high lumiance at the viewing angle of horizontal  $0^{\circ}$  and vertical  $20^{\circ}$  to make the emitting lights from LCDs as most efficient as possible. To realize the special FOV, the paper designs a kind of optical film with micro-structure on the front side to direct the most lights to the required angle.

The not-imaging optical theory is applied to design the micro-structure on the film. The simulation model and result are shown in the Figure 1. It can be seen that the horizontal angle curve is symmetrical about the normal direction with the highest luminance at the angle of  $0^{\circ}$ . While the highest luminance of the vertical angle viewing curve happens at the  $22^{\circ}$ , satisfying the FOV requirement. The designed film is manufactured and the LED backlight prototype with such film is developed. The practical viewing angle curve is measured by ELDIM, shown in the Figure 2.

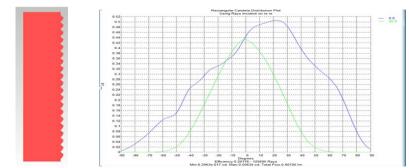


Fig. 1. The simulation model and result of the backlight with special FOV

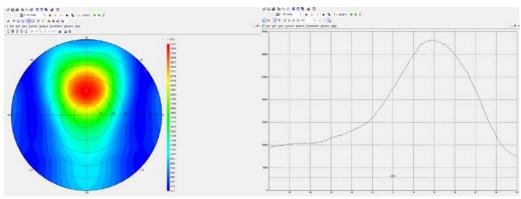


Fig. 2. The measurement result of the backlight with special FOV

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