

Part	Description	350ma					500ma					700ma					1000ma					1500ma				
		Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.
LuxV Star	WW0T						7060	154.2	6.51	3.26	2169	8790	192.0	6.71	4.70	1871	11240	245.5	6.95	6.95	1617					
LuxV Star	WY0S						6450	140.9	5.90	2.95	2186	8260	180.4	6.09	4.26	1938	10380	226.7	6.34	6.34	1637					
LuxV Star	WX0S						5650	123.4	6.25	3.13	1808	7310	159.7	6.45	4.52	1619	9400	205.3	6.70	6.70	1403					
LuxV Star	VY0T						5060	110.5	6.23	3.12	1624	6550	143.1	6.45	4.52	1451	8030	175.4	6.73	6.73	1193					
LuxV Emitter	VY0S	3440	75.1	5.85	2.05	1680	4680	102.2	6.02	3.01	1555	6130	133.9	6.21	4.35	1410	7750	169.3	6.46	6.46	1200					
LuxV Star	U4S						4780	104.4	6.21	3.11	1539	6050	132.2	6.42	4.49	1346	7580	165.6	6.64	6.64	1142					
LuxIII Star	UW0K	2820	61.6	3.47	1.21	2322	3650	79.7	3.63	1.82	2011	4590	100.3	3.82	2.67	1717	5700	124.5	4.06	4.06	1404					
LuxI Star	SX0H (2)	2690	58.8	3.28	1.15	2343	3530	77.1	3.41	1.71	2070	4390	95.9	3.55	2.49	1767	5400	118.0	3.76	3.76	1436					
LuxI Star	SX0H (1)	2670	58.3	3.25	1.14	2347	3450	75.4	3.37	1.69	2047	4320	94.4	3.53	2.47	1748										
LuxI Star	SX0H (3)	2650	57.9	3.28	1.15	2308	3420	74.7	3.40	1.70	2012	4330	94.6	3.56	2.49	1738	5330	116.4	3.77	3.77	1414					
LuxIII Star	UX0J	2540	55.5	3.29	1.15	2206	3320	72.5	3.41	1.71	1947	4180	91.3	3.55	2.49	1682	5220	114.0	3.75	3.75	1392					
LuxIII Star	UYAJ	2510	54.8	3.30	1.16	2173	3300	72.1	3.44	1.72	1919	4170	91.1	3.60	2.52	1655	5210	113.8	3.81	3.81	1367					
LuxIII Star	UX1J	2540	55.5	3.38	1.18	2147	3330	72.7	3.51	1.76	1897	4150	90.6	3.66	2.56	1620	5150	112.5	3.86	3.86	1334					
LuxIII Star	UW0J	2480	54.2	3.35	1.17	2115	3280	71.6	3.49	1.75	1880	4130	90.2	3.65	2.56	1616	5160	112.7	3.87	3.87	1333					
LuxIII Emitter	UX1L	2670	58.3	3.62	1.27	2107	3340	73.0	3.77	1.89	1772	4080	89.1	3.93	2.75	1483	5120	111.8	4.06	4.06	1261					
LuxI Emitter	SX0H	2460	53.7	3.18	1.11	2210	3210	70.1	3.21	1.61	2000	4040	88.2	3.45	2.42	1673	5000	109.2	3.64	3.64	1374					
LuxI Emitter	SW0H	2420	52.9	3.29	1.15	2102	3170	69.2	3.39	1.70	1870	3920	85.6	3.54	2.48	1582	4910	107.2	3.73	3.73	1316					
LuxI Star	RX0H	2410	52.6	3.21	1.12	2145	3140	68.6	3.33	1.67	1886	3910	85.4	3.46	2.42	1614										
LuxI Star	SV1J - LD	2430	53.1	3.44	1.20	2018	3130	68.4	3.59	1.80	1744	3840	83.9	3.75	2.63	1463										
LuxIII Star	TX1K	2330	50.9	3.42	1.20	1947	2860	62.5	3.53	1.77	1620	3760	82.1	3.79	2.65	1417	4610	100.7	4.04	4.04	1141					
LuxIII Emitter	TW0H (*)	2370	51.8	3.18	1.11	2129	3010	65.7	3.31	1.66	1819	3720	81.3	3.45	2.42	1540	4560	99.6	3.65	3.65	1249					
LuxI Emitter	RX0H	2290	50.0	3.30	1.16	1983	2960	64.7	3.43	1.72	1726	3710	81.0	3.58	2.51	1480	4620	100.9	3.77	3.77	1225					
LuxIII Emitter	TX0H	2280	49.8	3.13	1.10	2081	2920	63.8	3.27	1.64	1786	3660	79.9	3.42	2.39	1529	4530	98.9	3.64	3.64	1245					
LuxIII Star	TW0H	2040	44.6	3.11	1.09	1874	2700	59.0	3.23	1.62	1672	3460	75.6	3.38	2.37	1462	4430	96.8	3.58	3.58	1237					
K2 Emmitter	UYAN	2040	44.6	4.02	1.41	1450	2690	58.8	4.23	2.12	1272	3430	74.9	4.43	3.10	1106	4120	90.0	5.19	5.19	794	5120	111.8	5.43	5.43	943
LuxIII Emitter	SW0J (B42XR)	1950	42.6	3.29	1.15	1693	2560	55.9	3.45	1.73	1484	3190	69.7	3.64	2.55	1252	3960	86.5	3.89	3.89	1018					
LuxIII Star	SY0K	2020	44.1	3.43	1.20	1683	2560	55.9	3.57	1.79	1434	3170	69.2	3.74	2.62	1211	3880	84.8	3.97	3.97	977					
LuxI Star	QYAG	2010	43.9	3.08	1.08	1865	2570	56.1	3.20	1.60	1606	3140	68.6	3.34	2.34	1343										
LuxI Emitter	PX1L - LD (*)	1500	32.8	3.65	1.28	1174	1950	42.6	3.82	1.91	1021	2420	52.9	3.97	2.78	871										
LuxI Emitter	NY0H (*)	1270	27.7	3.28	1.15	1106	1640	35.8	3.41	1.71	962	2000	43.7	3.57	2.50	800										
LuxI Emitter	NW0K (*)	1260	27.5	3.48	1.22	1034	1650	36.0	3.64	1.82	907	2090	45.7	3.83	2.68	780										

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#### My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Due to the fact that I have several mods I'm getting ready to work on, I wanted to sort out my LED supplies based on performance. Using the bin code just wasn't enough for me, so I home brewed myself a budget "test box". It is simply a 1/2 gallon milk carton with the exterior painted metallic silver then covered in electrical tape to prevent light infiltration. I have my eBay light meter attached to the "bottom" (in use this becomes the side) again covered in electrical tape to affix it and prevent light from entering. On one "side" (in use this becomes the bottom) I have cut a hole that fits around a 2" diameter stepped and finned CPU heatsink. I tested only Luxeon stars and they were stuck to the heatsink using Ceramatique and wires were soldered to provide the electrical connection. I powered the stars with a bench power supply and monitored the voltage and current with two Fluke DMMs (don't have the model numbers handy). It's too embarassing to take pics of, but suffice to say that it's good enough to compare LEDs I have at hand. All of my light readings were taken in LUX. I tested at 350mA, 500mA, 700mA, and 1000mA. And here are the results:

Part	Description	350ma					500ma					700ma					1000ma					1500ma				
		Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.	Lux	BLC	Vf	Watts	Eff.
LuxV Star	WW0T						7060	154.2	6.51	3.26	2169	8790	192.0	6.71	4.70	1871	11240	245.5	6.95	6.95	1617					
LuxV Star	WY0S						6450	140.9	5.90	2.95	2186	8260	180.4	6.09	4.26	1938	10380	226.7	6.34	6.34	1637					
LuxV Star	WX0S						5650	123.4	6.25	3.13	1808	7310	159.7	6.45	4.52	1619	9400	205.3	6.70	6.70	1403					
LuxV Star	VY0T						5060	110.5	6.23	3.12	1624	6550	143.1	6.45	4.52	1451	8030	175.4	6.73	6.73	1193					
LuxV Emitter	VY0S	3440	75.1	5.85	2.05	1660	4680	102.2	6.02	3.01	1555	6130	133.9	6.21	4.35	1410	7750	169.3	6.46	6.46	1200					
LuxV Star	U4S						4780	104.4	6.21	3.11	1539	6050	132.2	6.42	4.49	1346	7580	165.6	6.64	6.64	1142					
LuxIII Star	UW0K	2820	61.6	3.47	1.21	2322	3650	79.7	3.63	1.82	2011	4590	100.3	3.82	2.67	1717	5700	124.5	4.06	4.06	1404					
LuxI Star	SX0H (2)	2690	58.8	3.28	1.15	2343	3530	77.1	3.41	1.71	2070	4390	95.9	3.55	2.49	1767	5400	118.0	3.76	3.76	1436					
LuxI Star	SX0H (1)	2670	58.3	3.25	1.14	2347	3450	75.4	3.37	1.69	2047	4320	94.4	3.53	2.47	1748										
LuxI Star	SX0H (3)	2650	57.9	3.28	1.15	2308	3420	74.7	3.40	1.70	2012	4330	94.6	3.56	2.49	1738	5330	116.4	3.77	3.77	1414					
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LuxIII Star	UX1J	2540	55.5	3.38	1.18	2147	3330	72.7	3.51	1.76	1897	4150	90.6	3.66	2.56	1620	5150	112.5	3.86	3.86	1334					
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LuxI Emitter	SX0H	2460	53.7	3.18	1.11	2210	3210	70.1	3.21	1.61	2000	4040	88.2	3.45	2.42	1673	5000	109.2	3.64	3.64	1374					
LuxI Emitter	SW0H	2420	52.9	3.29	1.15	2102	3170	69.2	3.39	1.70	1870	3920	85.6	3.54	2.48	1582	4910	107.2	3.73	3.73	1316					
LuxI Star	RX0H	2410	52.6	3.21	1.12	2145	3140	68.6	3.33	1.67	1886	3910	85.4	3.46	2.42	1614										
LuxI Star	SV1J - LD	2430	53.1	3.44	1.20	2018	3130	68.4	3.59	1.80	1744	3840	83.9	3.75	2.63	1463										
LuxIII Star	TX1K	2330	50.9	3.42	1.20	1947	2860	62.5	3.53	1.77	1620	3760	82.1	3.79	2.65	1417	4610	100.7	4.04	4.04	1141					
LuxIII Emitter	TW0H (*)	2370	51.8	3.18	1.11	2129	3010	65.7	3.31	1.66	1819	3720	81.3	3.45	2.42	1540	4560	99.6	3.65	3.65	1249					
LuxI Emitter	RX0H	2290	50.0	3.30	1.16	1983	2960	64.7	3.43	1.72	1726	3710	81.0	3.58	2.51	1480	4620	100.9	3.77	3.77	1225					
LuxIII Emitter	TX0H	2280	49.8	3.13	1.10	2081	2920	63.8	3.27	1.64	1786	3660	79.9	3.42	2.39	1529	4530	98.9	3.64	3.64	1245					
LuxIII Star	TW0H	2040	44.6	3.11	1.09	1874	2700	59.0	3.23	1.62	1672	3460	75.6	3.38	2.37	1462	4430	96.8	3.58	3.58	1237					
K2 Emmitter	UYAN	2040	44.6	4.02	1.41	1450	2690	58.8	4.23	2.12	1272	3430	74.9	4.43	3.10	1106	4120	90.0	5.19	5.19	794	5120	111.8	5.43	5.43	943
LuxIII Emitter	SV0J (B42XR)	1950	42.6	3.29	1.15	1693	2560	55.9	3.45	1.73	1484	3190	69.7	3.64	2.55	1252	3960	86.5	3.89	3.89	1018					
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LuxI Star	QYAG	2010	43.9	3.08	1.08	1865	2570	56.1	3.20	1.60	1606	3140	68.6	3.34	2.34	1343										
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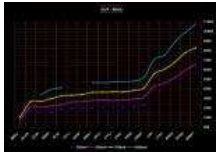
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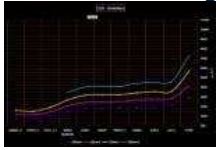


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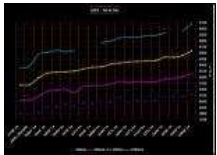




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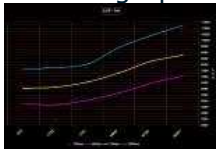


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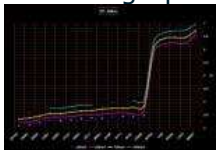


This sort of helps explain the LuxI/LuxIII battle. For the most part it seems R-bin LuxIs and T-bin LuxIIIs are comparable as well as S-bin LuxIs and U-bin LuxIIIs. However, it is more likely that the underdriven LuxIII will suffer from a shift in tint when driven at below spec power levels. Food for thought.

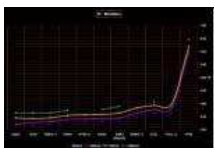
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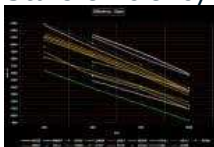


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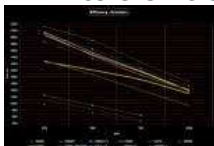


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Stars efficiency (LUX / Watt) graph:



Emmitters efficiency (LUX / Watt) graph:



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Temperature Data:

Temperature readings were done by affixing the emitter to a D size O-sink via Ceramatique. Temperature was taken in Celcius via contact probe at the raised platform for the emitter to get the closest junction temperature possible. The O-sink was placed on a 2" CPU heatsink to simulate being installed in an actual flashlight. This last part was critical as I found out. I tested the luxV on the O-sink alone out of curiosity and saw temps of 110 degrees Celcius (230 deg.F) after 5 minutes. (Don't even think of using thermal paste at this high of a temperature. It basically turns into a liquid. Use Thermal epoxy at this point.) I chose to test at 1 minute as it seemed to be a maximum on time for momentary type action. I also tested at 5 minutes as it seemed the O-sink stabilized within this time period.

Calculated junction temperatures were based on actual Vf and current inputs. Thermal resistance values taken from Lumileds documentation for emitters.

Lux	Therm. Resist. (°C/W)	Description	350mA**		700mA**		1000mA**		1500mA**		1500mA <sup>(1)</sup>	
			1 minute	5 minutes	1 minute	5 minutes	1 minute	5 minutes	1 minute	5 minutes	1 minute	5 minutes
LuxV VY0S	8	Actual Emitter Base Temp.			47.7	58.1	68.3	75.3	83.9	91.6	44.3	49.3
		Calculated Junction Temp.			82.5	92.9	120.0	127.0	146.5	173.2	125.9	134.5
LuxIII TX0H	13	Actual Emitter Base Temp.			44.1	50.5	57.3	62.5	72.4	78.3	33.5	37.0
		Calculated Junction Temp.			75.2	81.6	104.6	109.8	148.5	154.4	111.5	118.9
LuxI RX0H	15	Actual Emitter Base Temp.	31.7	34.2	38.9	46.7	50.5	60.3	70.9	77.1	33.6	37.6
		Calculated Junction Temp.	49.0	51.5	76.5	84.3	107.1	116.9	158.2	164.9	130.4	136.5

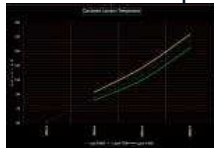
\* All readings taken with contact probe on raised emitter platform of D size O-sink.

\*\* O-sink sitting on 2" CPU heatsink to simulate flashlight body.

<sup>(1)</sup> Readings taken with O-sink installed in 3D Mag with head attached.

135°C Maximum Rated Junction Temperature

5 Minute Graph (Calculated Junction Temperature; out of Mag):



The O-sink in a Mag is a great heatsink. In the last set of test data, with the O-sink installed in the Mag, the light was basically in candle mode. With a hand holding the light, things would be marginally better. Looks like 1500mA is the bleeding edge for the luxI and luxV. For a show light or as a burst mode its *feasible*, but for sustained use, I'd keep things at 1300mA or below. And that is with this optimally heatsinked test setup. Looks Like the luxIII was still fairly stable though, even at 1500mA.

-DF

**Disclaimer:** I have conducted this testing on my own behalf for my own benefit. If others find this useful, that is great. However, please take into account that this is a comparative analysis and not absolute findings. YMMV

"When I examine myself and my methods of thought, I come to the conclusion that the gift of fantasy has meant more to me than my talent for absorbing positive knowledge." - A.E.

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Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

Excellent. Thanks much for the hard work. I guess I am not the only one who has been interested in doing these types of tests



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Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

DiFiorentino,  , very nice! Excellent information!

My only concern is that in another thread someone mentioned that there is a difference in how the lux1 and the lux3 handle heat. I don't know if it's outdated information or not, to be honest I'd be surprised if there is any difference between a lux1 and a lux3 other than Bin current but if there is the benefits of the lux1 may boil away without the advantage of a heavy duty heatsink.

Also, do you have more than one of the lux1 SXOH to test? I've got two on the way and would love to be reassured that the example you tested is characteristic of the batch! 😊

Also, did you ever test the current your HDS is feeding the emitter?



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Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

Your results on the WWOT leds is very good news for me. I just sold my TYOJ hd45 and placed an order for a new WWOT version. I read the thread and everyone sold their WWOT binned models for the X ones, but i think ill have a more noticable upgrade from the TYOJ to the WWOT. I cant wait, i hope this will be brighter then my U2. (poor thing, seems to not get much attention anymore)

Oh well, Does anyone have any beam shots between the 2? So what is the tint like the on the WWOT? (IIRC someone said it was near green on lower vf)

very informative chart! THANK YOU 😊

\*Ti-PD UVIJ\* McLux PD-Slate UWOJ (Milkyspit Custom) \*\*27LT-UX1K\*\*HD45-WWOT\*

**MLR<3**



06-03-2006, 11:55 PM

#5



**chimo**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Sep 2004  
Location: Ottawa, Canada  
Posts: 1,304

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

Great job on this! It's nice to see the SX0Hs and the UX0Js behave very similarly. Thanks for doing these tests.

Paul



06-04-2006, 12:05 AM

#6



**DFlorentino**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

First post updated.

I tested the other two SX0Hs I had. They seem to be on par with the first. This also proves, within reason, the repeatability of my crazy set up. In addition, I cranked the two SX0Hs up to 1000mA 😬. Pretty interesting. I'll bring my contact thermo probe home from work this week, but my calibrated hand says that the SX0H at 1000mA is WAY cooler than any of the luxVs at 700mA+.

**Will:** I take that as high praise coming from you. Your light box was the motivation it took for me to get off my a\_\_ to finally do this 😊.

**xochi:** I'll see what I can do about my HDS. As you can see, at least my small batch of SX0Hs are pretty consistent. As far as heat is concerned, I'll get scientific measurements later this week. Given the fair to average heatsink I was using, I was more concerned with the LuxVs at 700mA-1000mA than the LuxI SX0Hs at 1000mA.

**nakahoshi:** There should be a night and day difference going between a TY0J and a WW0T in the HD45. Almost incomparably so. The LuxV will not only output way more lumens, but the beam pattern is so different. Most W0s I see are white. Only when compared to other tints can I tell that most W0s are on the slightly warm side. WAVE\_PARTICLE did an excellent comparison with beamshots between a WW0T HD45, WX1S TM in a SF-M6, and a SF U2.



-DF

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06-04-2006, 12:15 AM

#7



**nakahoshi**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Feb 2006  
Location: Ulster Ny  
Posts: 678



Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

DF, thanks! That is the thread i have been looking for, i think i skipped over it before i made the decision to buy the WWOT HD45, so thanks for pointing it out. I will let you know how it turns out when it shows up, this is some really great info, i feel alot better now!  
-bobby

\*Ti-PD UVIJ\* McLux PD-Slate UWOJ (Milkyspit Custom) \*\*27LT-UX1K\*\*HD45-WWOT\*

**MLR<3**



06-04-2006, 03:35 AM

#8

**AW**



Join Date: Oct 2004  
Location: Hong Kong  
Posts: 2,654

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

Excellent info. I 'll start replacing all my Lux IIIs to Lux I SXOH stars I have 🙄



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06-04-2006, 02:44 PM

#9

**HarryN**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Jan 2004  
Location: Pleasanton (Bay Area), CA, USA  
Posts: 1,928

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

Nice info - Thanks for all of that testing.

It is very interesting how the higher Vf tracks with higher output, not just in your tests, but others as well (maybe it was Will's data). Almost seems like watts are more important than current, making constant current drive slightly less important for constant output in some cases.

Please guys, don't flame me on that comment.

"BREEZE" RCR2 side x side (under development)

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06-04-2006, 08:16 PM

#10

evan9162

Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Apr 2002  
Location: Boise, ID  
Posts: 2,132

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

I dont think you can make any such claims based on such a small number of samples. I think there are enough cases in the above data alone that support such a premise, and there is plenty of data to negate it. Besides, nothing is being controlled for. A higher Vf could cause a spectral shift which would cause the light meter to read higher, but optical output power would be the same or lower. Until you control for a single variable (Vf) with a large number of samples, I don't think you can make such a claim.



06-04-2006, 08:42 PM

#11



Join Date: Nov 2002  
Location: Germany, Old World  
Posts: 10,403

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements...

Thank for all the hard work there !!!

And the result is ... LuxV RULEZ !!!

bernie

It's always darkest just before it goes pitch black.

My shoes are too tight. But it doesn't matter, because I have forgotten how to dance.



06-05-2006, 02:10 AM

#12



**AuroraLite**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Nov 2004  
Location: HK  
Posts: 1,214

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

DF,

Most fantastic work!!

Very interesting to see how the SxxH when compared to UxxJ for performance. I kinda wonder if we were to allow more time to run(10-15 min), will the SxxH's performance decline a bit due to the heat/overdriven(to simulate a flashlight setting with lesser heatsink)at 500-700ma? However, it might put SxxH in some heat risk, and I would not wish that so on a premium bin.

Henry,

I have the same conversation with Djpark long ago about how the waltage might to some degree affect the brightness of the lux. And the test results, to some extent, seems to varify that it does bear some importance to the brightness of a lux besides current.

Dummy Reference Guide to Minimag mod



06-06-2006, 02:40 AM

#13



**DFiorentino**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

First post updated with some of the emmiters I had on hand.

It appears that the emmitter from my new B42XR comes out to be a SW0J luxIII. The W0 is based on my own eyes, but the S\_\_J seem to fall in line with the others tested. So, I guess the UX0J I replaced it with actually is an improvement .

It's also nice to see that I have some LEDs that span their respective ranges. I have some good T-bins and some poorer ones. Some good R-bins and some poorer ones. Some good...well you get the point. It was interesting seeing the span.

Looking at the mixed 1w & 3w LUX graph helps me visuallize the differences in induvidual bins. But check out the 5w LUX graph. A 20% difference in just the W-bins. 😊

This exercise has forever transmormed me into an anal SOB. I will from now on log any new LEDs I get and further sort them into my own "bin" structure.

Enjoy.  
-DF

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06-06-2006, 02:47 AM

#14



**DFiorentino**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

Oh, and for what its worth, this has brought my respect level for the LuxV up even higher. (I'm with Bernie in the LuxV RULEZ club LOL .) Man those things are BRIGHT ! Now, I just have to sort out the winners and keep them for myself .

-DF

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06-06-2006, 02:57 AM

#15

**AW**



Join Date: Oct 2004  
Location: Hong Kong  
Posts: 2,654

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

Just bought another tray of SXOH stars based on your findings Good Job



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06-06-2006, 10:17 PM

#16

CM  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Sep 2002  
Location: Mesa, AZ  
Posts: 2,586

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments...

Excellent. This should be a sticky.



06-11-2006, 01:52 AM

#17



DFiorentino  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Temperature data added to the bottom of the first post.

-DF

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#18



WAVE PARTICLE  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2005  
Location: Ontario, Canada  
Posts: 815

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Wow! Excellent work. I just came across this..... 🤖

Definately should be a sticky.



WP



06-11-2006, 12:03 PM

#19

**tonyd**  
Enlightened

Join Date: Feb 2006  
Posts: 85

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

EXCELLANT! Very much should be a sticky 🙌



06-11-2006, 01:19 PM

#20

**AlexGT**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Jan 2001  
Location: Earth!  
Posts: 2,000

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Very nice work, I already put it on my favorites, good job

AlexGT



06-11-2006, 04:25 PM

#21

**evan9162**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Apr 2002  
Location: Boise, ID  
Posts: 2,132

Re: My comparative LED performance measurments (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Were the temperatures in the graph what you measured, or a calculated junction temp? I ask because you can't directly measure the junction temp, even though you hint that that's what you're measuring.

The closest you can measure is the slug temperature, which is much lower than the junction temp. You must calculate junction temp (in degrees Celcius) with the following:

- Lux I : slug temp (in C) + (current \* Vf \* 15)
- Lux III: slug temp (in C) + (current \* Vf \* 13)
- Lux V: slug temp (in C) + (current \* Vf \* 8)

If the above are just the slug measurements, then these are the actual junction temperatures (you don't have any Vf measurements for the 1500mA, so I estimaged 6.8V, 3.9V, and 4.0V at 1500mA for the Lux V, III, and I respectively):

Code:

	350mA		700mA		1000mA
	1 min	5 min	1 min	5 min	1 min
Lux V VY0S			82.5	92.9	119.98
Lux III TX0H			75.17	81.57	104.62
Lux I RX0H	49.1	49.8	76.55	84.35	107.05

You are greatly exceeding the maximum junction temp for all devices at 1500mA.



06-11-2006, 10:44 PM

#22



**DFlorentino**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

**evan9162:** Thank you for enlightening me. It caused me to actually read further to understand what you meant and do a little more testing.

First post updated with calculated junction temps and additional 1500mA test data. Its amazing what each additional piece of heatsinking does at these extreme levels. I can't wait for some of Yaesumofos copper O-sinks!

-DF

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#23

**evan9162**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Apr 2002  
Location: Boise, ID  
Posts: 2,132

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Looks good. I especially like the color coding on the junction temp.

The mag body/head are a surprisingly good heat sinking combo. There's a lot of thermal mass there, but it also does dissipate heat rather well into the air. It will get hot if left to sit in still air, but if you're walking around with one, just that amount of airflow allows things to stay relatively cool.



06-12-2006, 12:24 AM

#24



**wquiles**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Jan 2005  
Location: Texas, USA, Earth  
Posts: 2,767

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Quote:

Originally Posted by **DFiorentino**  
*I can't wait for some of Yaesumof's copper O-sinks!*

That is why I used copper in my own LED Lightbox ☺ . Mine is the huge, solid copper that modamag invented for 4 emitters - it works great 🌐

Will

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#25

**Luna**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Posts: 805

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

DFiorentino,

Did you happen to get the lux vs temp at 1 and 5mins of the LuxV



06-12-2006, 03:26 PM

#26

**thesurefire**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2003  
Location: U.S.A.  
Posts: 1,118

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Very useful. Thanks for taking the time to do this.

Any intelligent fool can make things bigger, more complex, and more violent. It takes a touch of genius, and a lot of courage to move in the opposite direction. - Albert Einstein



06-12-2006, 03:50 PM

#27 **HarryN** 

Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Jan 2004  
Location: Pleasanton (Bay Area), CA, USA  
Posts: 1,928 **Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)**

Thanks for all of the work. I don't have the metrology to do this properly, but on the Lux V WWOS emitters I am playing with, there seems to be very little difference in output (visually) between 100 - 300ma. Have you looked at this range at all ?

If you want a real kick, try driving the Lux Vs at 25ma and compare them to other LEDs - amazing.

"BREEZE" RCR2 side x side (under development)

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#28 **DFlorentino** 



Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Dec 2004  
Location: MD  
Posts: 993 **Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)**

**Will:** I have two of modamag's copper PQS myself, but I'm not about to cut them up for this  . I actually just purchased a 2.75"OD x .5" piece of copper bar stock to use as a new heatsink.

**Luna:** My current setup is a bit cramped, so its hard to do temp and lux testing together *right now*  .

**HarryN:** I actually have noticed this, but nothing has been "officially" recorded as of yet.

I really appreciate the positive feedback and help from everyone. So much so that I'm redoing everything!  Actually, Luna hit it on the head. I wanted to be able to log temp and lux at the same time and the new set up will be able to do this. In addition, I hope to add a ton more test points in the under and overdrive regions. Now keep in mind, this is still being done on a backyard budget. Its going to take me a few days to assemble the rig and get the new testing done. Hopefully the migranes will stay away now that I'm medicated  .

-DF

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#29 



**greenLED**  
\*Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Mar 2004  
Location: getting there  
Posts: 9,384

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

I'm blown away by all the info (and hard work!) in this thread/post. 🤖

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#30



**milkyspit**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Sep 2002  
Location: New Jersey  
Posts: 3,003

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

This thread is terrific! 🤖

--Scott



Milkyspit: Be Very Afraid.



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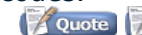
**ac0311**

Enlightened

Join Date: Dec 2003  
Posts: 34

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Great info, but now am puzzled, why a Lux I SxxH has more lux than a Lux III TxxH? They both have the same vF? Help this noob understand. For general use is it better to use a H vF or a J vF? Thought I was beginning to understand the bin codes.



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#32





**milkyspit**  
Flashaholic\*

Join Date: Sep 2002  
Location: New Jersey  
Posts: 3,003

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

Quote:

Originally Posted by **ac0311**

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This I can handle! 🌐 All Lux1 are rated at 350mA output current, but the Lux3 are rated at 700mA output current. This leads to some interesting things... among them, the Lux1 actually has a HIGHER Vf than the Lux3 if they're both driven at the same output level... and the Lux1 will become significantly brighter if it's driven at Lux3 levels... it's entirely possible for a Lux1 S-flux to reach or even exceed T-flux when driven that hard.

If you remember only one thing: bin codes are RELATIVE (to the drive level used in establishing them!).

--Scott



Milkyspit: Be Very Afraid.



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#33

**ac0311**  
Enlightened

Join Date: Dec 2003  
Posts: 34

Re: My comparative LED performance measurements (Lux, Vf, Eff., Temp)

If you remember only one thing: bin codes are RELATIVE (to the drive level used in establishing them!). That's the key. Thanx.


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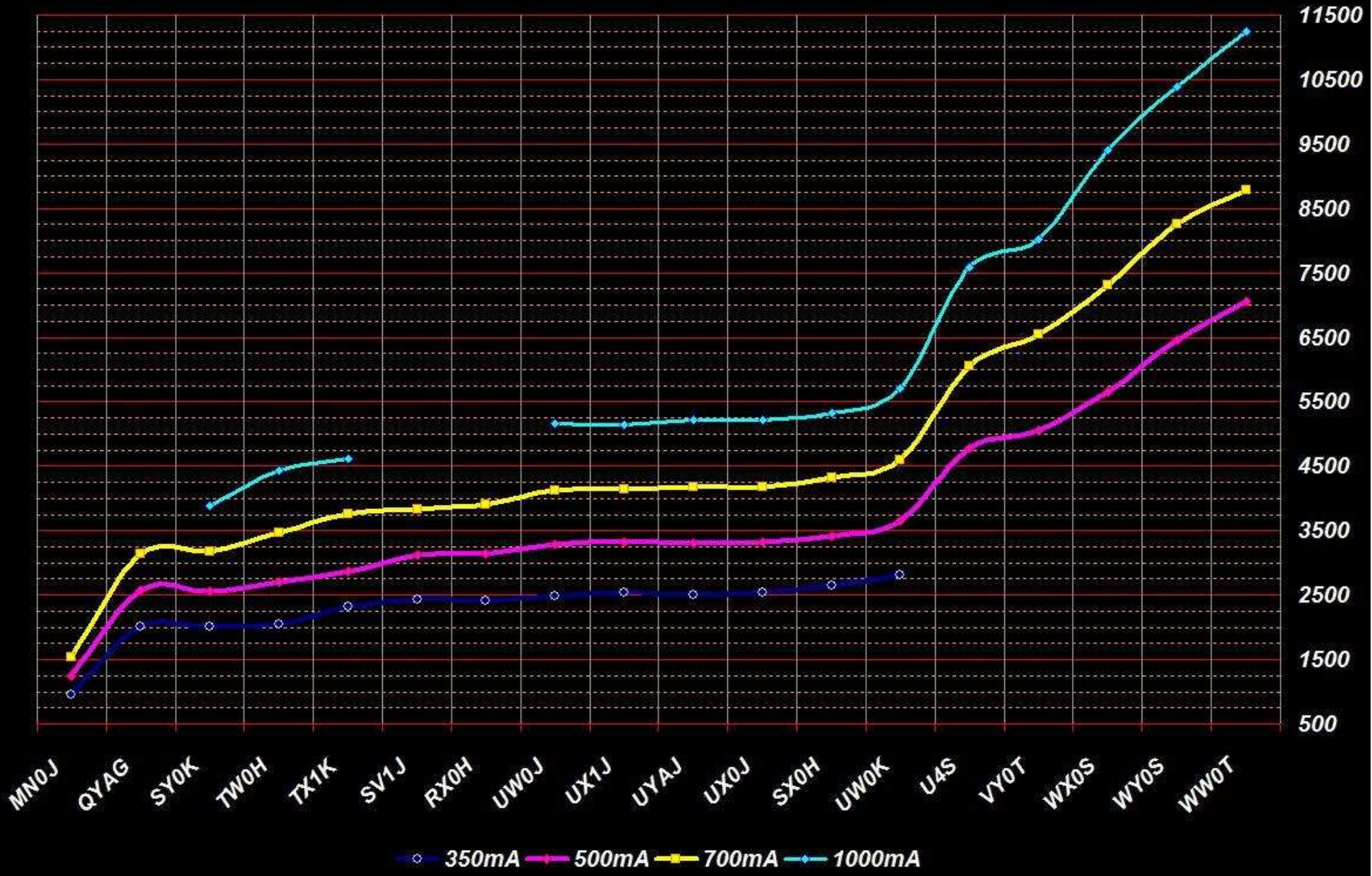
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LuxIII Stars	UW0K	2820	61.6	3.47	1.21	2322	3650	79.7	3.63	1.82	2011	4590	100.3	3.82	2.67	1717	5700	124.5	4.06	4.06	1404
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Part	Description	350ma					500ma					700ma					1000ma					1500ma				
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LuxV Emitters	VY0S	3440	75.1	5.85	2.05	1680	4680	102.2	6.02	3.01	1555	6130	133.9	6.21	4.35	1410	7750	169.3	6.46	6.46	1200					
K2 Emitters	UYAN	2040	44.6	4.02	1.41	1450	2690	58.8	4.23	2.12	1272	3430	74.9	4.43	3.10	1106	4120	90.0	5.19	5.19	794	5120	111.8	5.43	5.43	943
LuxIII Emitters	UX1L	2670	58.3	3.62	1.27	2107	3340	73.0	3.77	1.89	1772	4080	89.1	3.93	2.75	1483	5120	111.8	4.06	4.06	1261					
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	TW0H (*)	2370	51.8	3.18	1.11	2129	3010	65.7	3.31	1.66	1819	3720	81.3	3.45	2.42	1540	4560	99.6	3.65	3.65	1249					
	SW0J (B42XR)	1950	42.6	3.29	1.15	1693	2560	55.9	3.45	1.73	1484	3190	69.7	3.64	2.55	1252	3960	86.5	3.89	3.89	1018					
LuxI Emitters	SW0H	2420	52.9	3.29	1.15	2102	3170	69.2	3.39	1.70	1870	3920	85.6	3.54	2.48	1582	4910	107.2	3.73	3.73	1316					
	SX0H	2460	53.7	3.18	1.11	2210	3210	70.1	3.21	1.61	2000	4040	88.2	3.45	2.42	1673	5000	109.2	3.64	3.64	1374					
	RX0H	2290	50.0	3.30	1.16	1983	2960	64.7	3.43	1.72	1726	3710	81.0	3.58	2.51	1480	4620	100.9	3.77	3.77	1225					
	PX1L (*)	1500	32.8	3.65	1.28	1174	1950	42.6	3.82	1.91	1021	2420	52.9	3.97	2.78	871										
	NY0H (*)	1270	27.7	3.28	1.15	1106	1640	35.8	3.41	1.71	962	2000	43.7	3.57	2.50	800										
	NW0K (*)	1260	27.5	3.48	1.22	1034	1650	36.0	3.64	1.82	907	2090	45.7	3.83	2.68	780										

(\*) Actual bin code unknown; listed bin based on previous testing.



# LUX - Stars



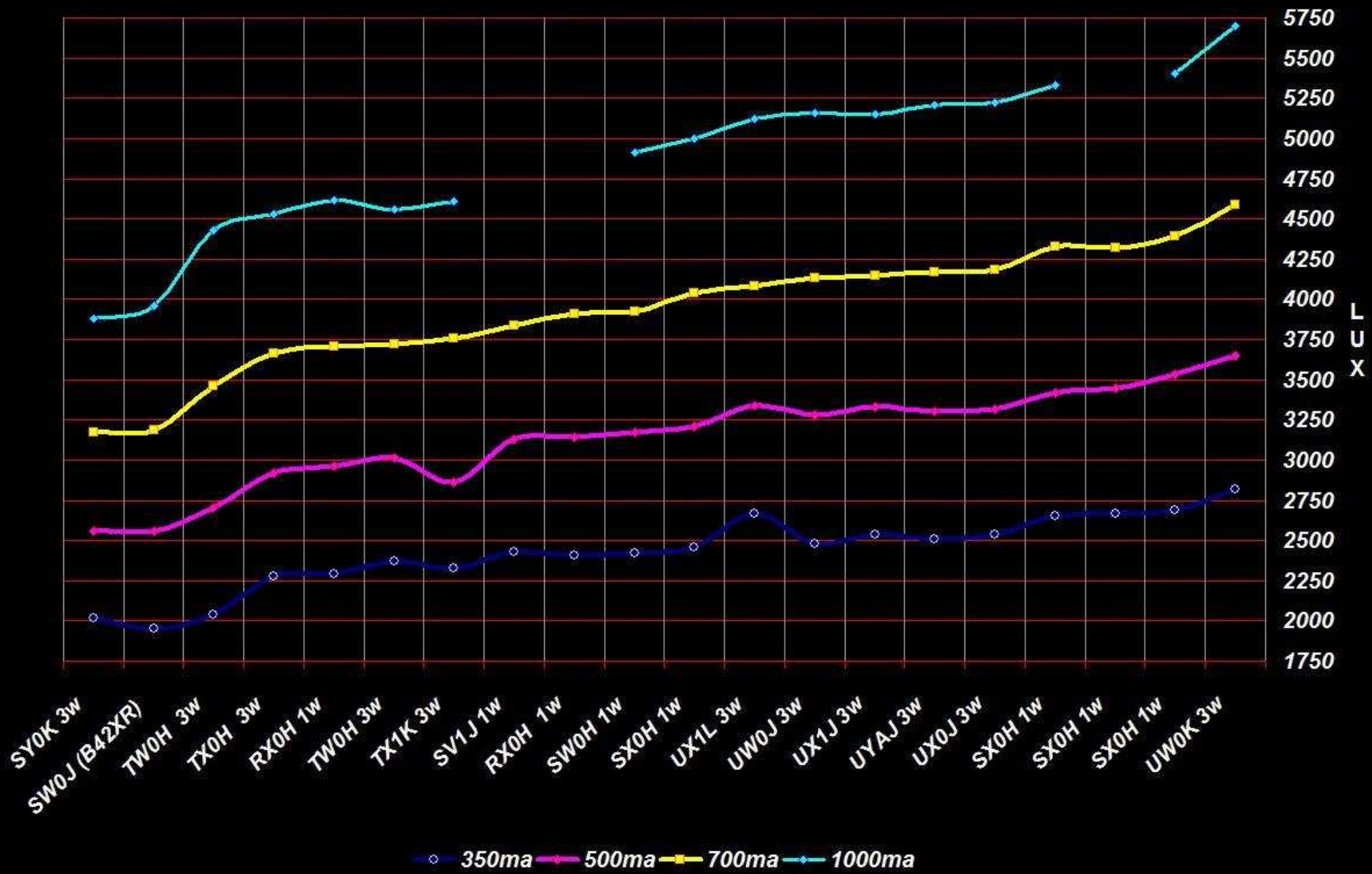
# LUX - Emmiters

Chart Area





### LUX - 1w & 3w



# LUX - 5w

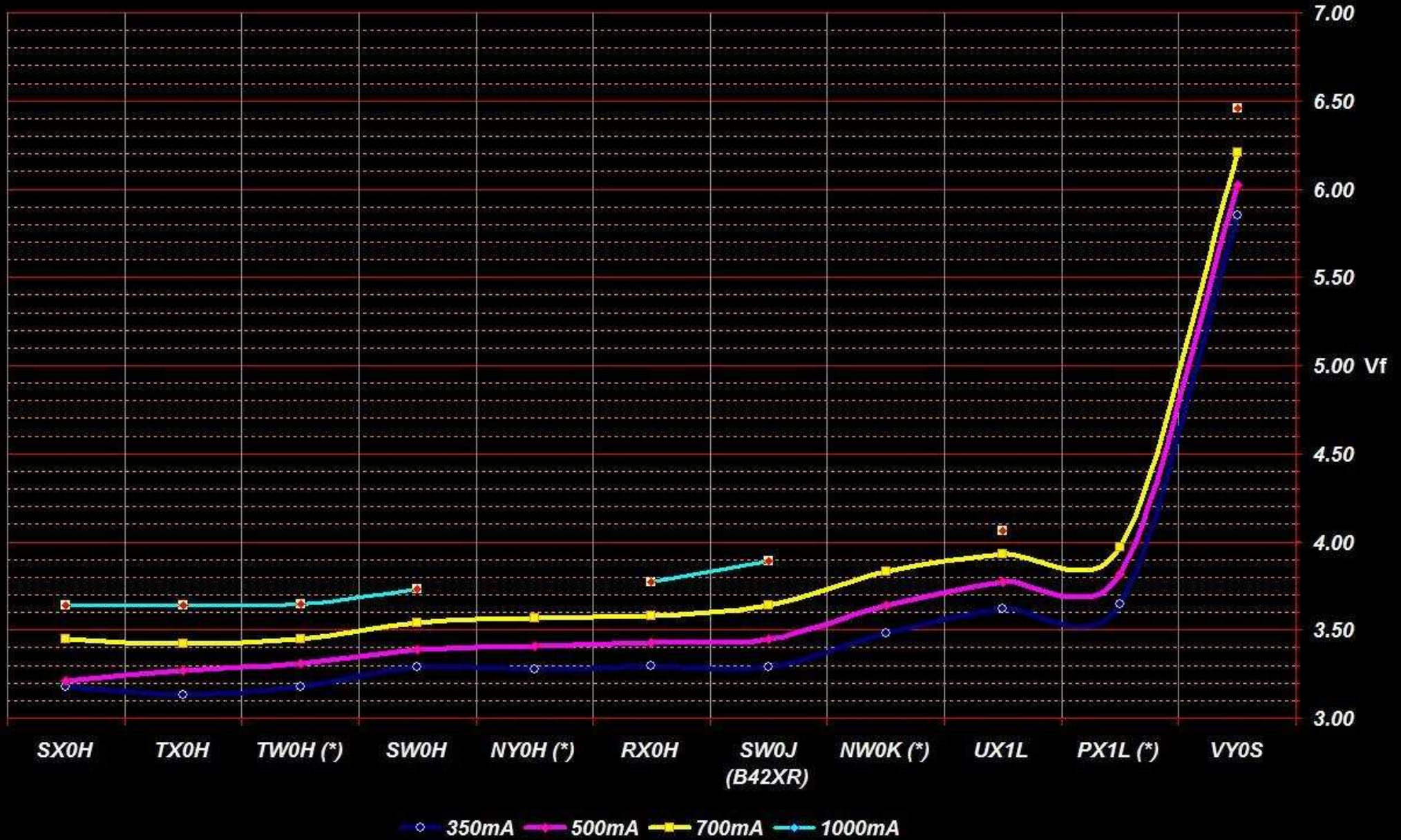




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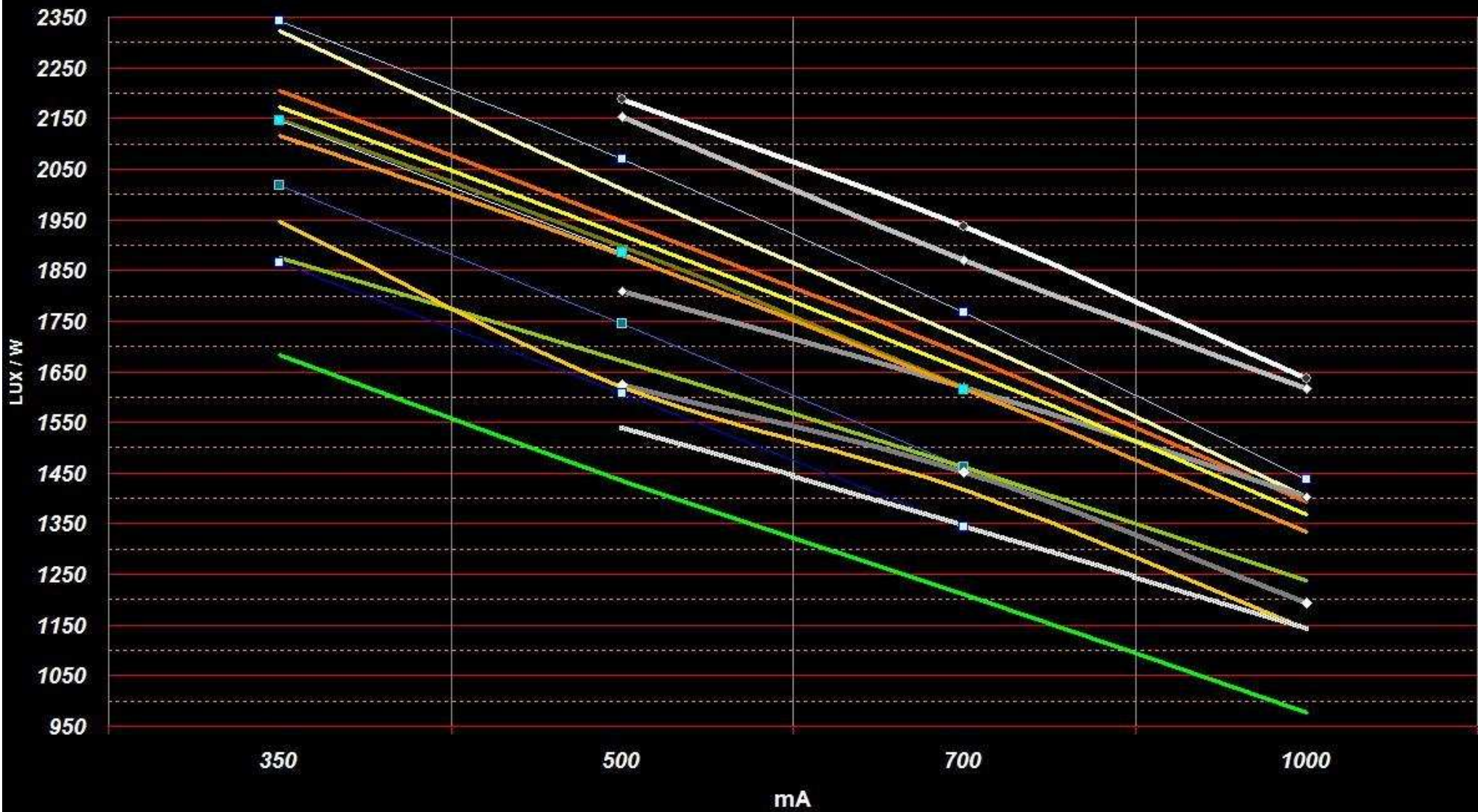


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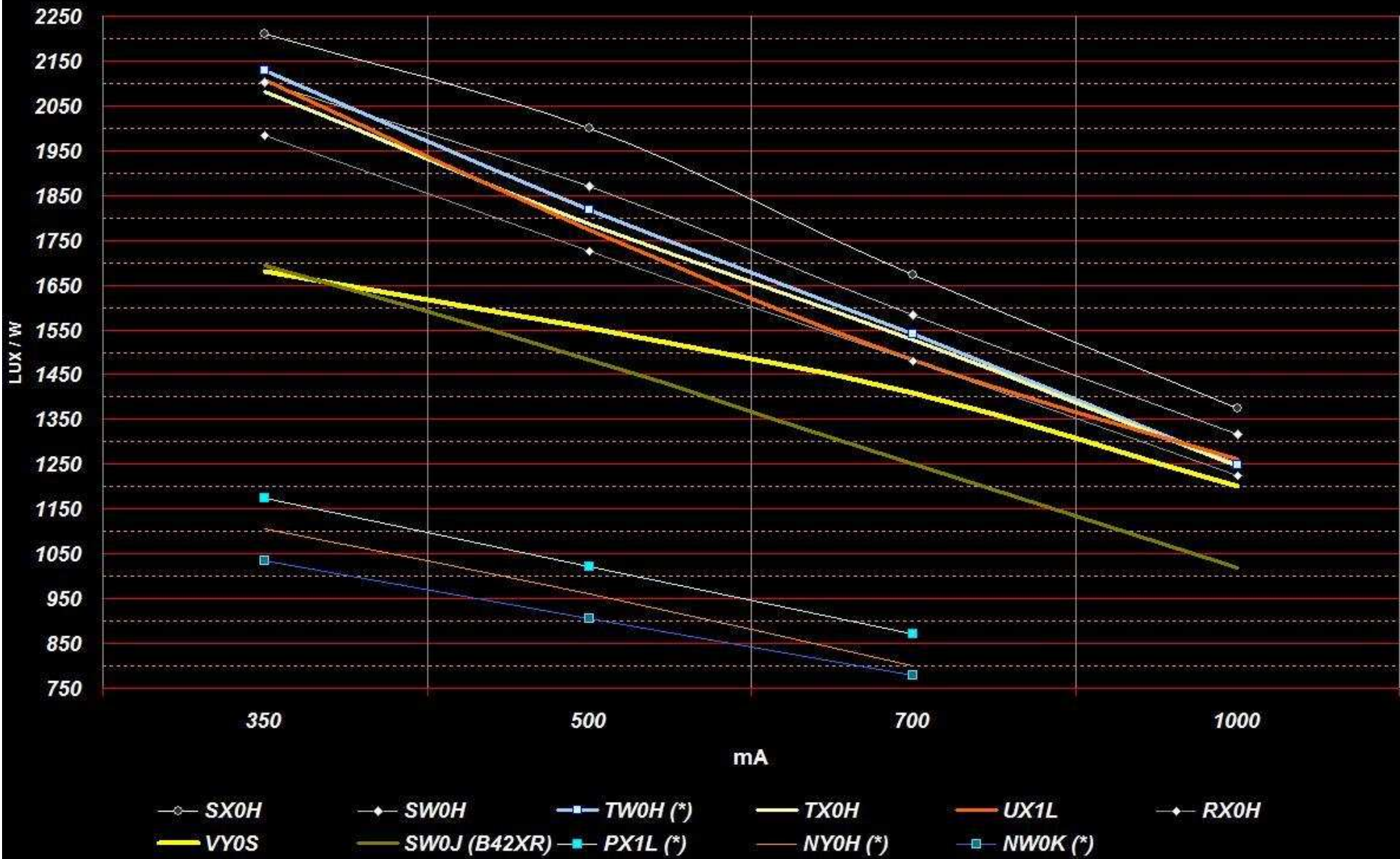
# Efficiency - Stars



- ◇— WY0S
- ◇— WW0T
- SX0H
- UW0K
- UX0J
- ◇— WX0S
- UYAJ
- UX1J
- RX0H
- UW0J
- SV1J
- TW0H
- ◇— VY0T
- TX1K
- QYAG
- U4S
- SY0K



# Efficiency - Emmiters



# Calculated Junction Temperature

