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Dear Mr. Kuehni,

As expected I found the Kuehni and Metropolitan Section data awaiting my return and it is at present being entered into a data file for optimisation studies: many thanks.

I was sorry to hear you say I had "mis-quoted" you at Williamsburg: if I did it was quite unintentional and I would like you to correct me so that I don't do it again! The figure I quoted for your optimised equation for the D&F data, 0.75, was taken from your 1971 J.C.A. paper and I am not aware of any later publication quoting a higher one.

Some years ago I put $K_1 = 1$ in the FMC-2 equation and if my memory serves me correctly it brought r down to about the same level as FMC-1. Although I don't question your evidence concerning the independence of ellipse size on lightness, it cannot be a coincidence that FMC-1 is always below FMC-2 in ranking order for all acceptability data which has been analysed. *Specialise with K1*

One point of disagreement that I didn't raise because of shortage of time was the acceptability/perceptibility question. My evidence seems to prove conclusively that shade passers are biased against hue differences because for each set of acceptability data the optimum hue weighting is greater than the optimum lightness weighting - between 1.3 and 5.3 times greater whereas for each set of perceptibility data (MMB & Robertson) it is less - 0.5 to 0.6.

Needless to say my fingers will be crossed until the figures for the Kuehni - Metropolitan data have been obtained.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,


K. McLaren

