




Color Appearance Models

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Today's topic

- Color Appearance Models
 - CIELAB
- The Nayatani et al. Model
- The Hunt Model
- The RLAB Model

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Terminology recap

- Color
- Hue
- Brightness/Lightness
- Colorfulness/Chroma
- Saturation

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Color

- **Attribute of visual perception** consisting of **any combination of chromatic and achromatic content.**
- Chromatic name
- Achromatic name
- others

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Hue

- **Attribute of a visual sensation** according to which an area appears to be **similar to one of the perceived colors**
- Often refers red, green, blue, and yellow

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Brightness

- **Attribute of a visual sensation** according to which an area appears to emit more or less light.
- Absolute level of the perception

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Lightness

- **The brightness of an area** judged as a ratio to the brightness of a similarly illuminated area that appears to be white
- Relative amount of light reflected, or relative brightness normalized for changes in the illumination and view conditions

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Colorfulness

- **Attribute of a visual sensation** according to which the perceived color of an area appears to be more or less chromatic

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Chroma

- Colorfulness of an area judged as a ratio of the brightness of a similarly illuminated area that appears white
- Relationship between colorfulness and chroma is similar to relationship between brightness and lightness

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Saturation

- Colorfulness of an area judged as a ratio to its brightness
- Chroma – ratio to white
- Saturation – ratio to its brightness

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Definition of Color Appearance Model

- so much description of color
- such as: wavelength, cone response, tristimulus values, chromaticity coordinates, color spaces, ...
- it is difficult to distinguish them correctly
- We need a model which makes them straightforward

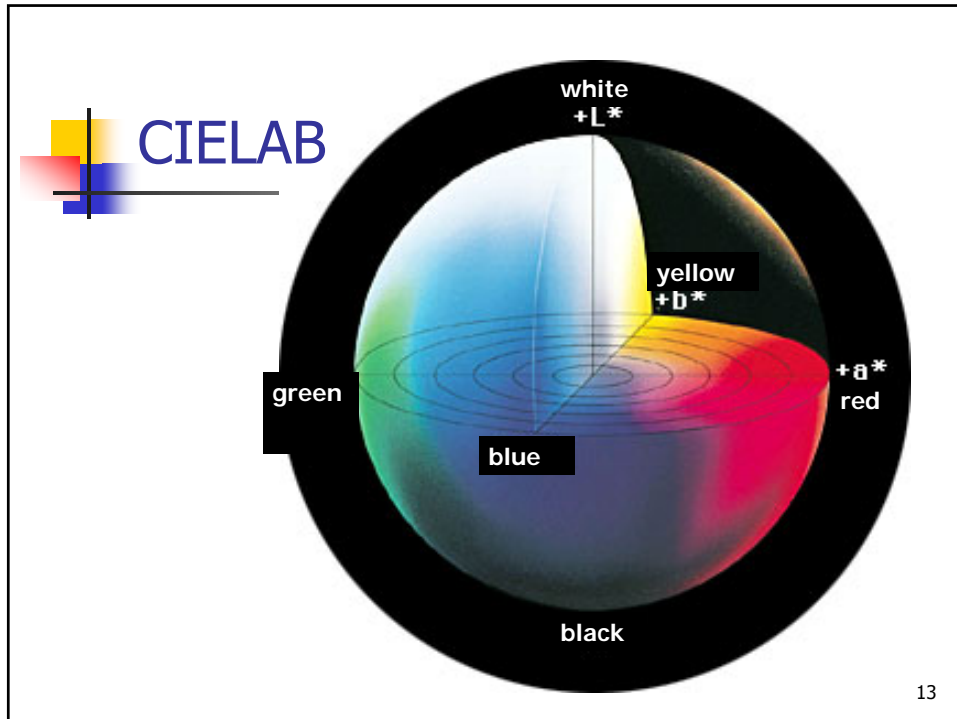
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Definition of Color Appearance Model

- CIE Technical Committee 1-34 (TC1-34) (*Comission Internationale de l'Eclairage*)
- They agreed on the following definition:
A color appearance model is any model that includes predictors of at least the relative color-appearance attributes of **lightness, chroma, and hue**.
- CIELAB meets this criteria

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Construction of Color Appearance Models

- All color appearance models start with CIE XYZ tristimulus values
- The first process is the linear transformation from CIE XYZ tristimulus values to cone responses
- so that we can more accurately model the physiological processes in the human visual system

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Calculating CIELAB Coordinate

- To calculate CIELAB coordinates, one must begin with **two sets** of CIE XYZ tristimulus values
- **Stimulus XYZ**
- **reference white $X_n Y_n Z_n$**
used to define the color "white"

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Calculating CIELAB Coordinate

- Then, add appropriate constants
$$L^* = 116f(Y/Y_n) - 16$$
$$a^* = 500[f(X/X_n) - f(Y/Y_n)]$$
$$b^* = 200[f(Y/Y_n) - f(Z/Z_n)]$$
- $f(w) = w^{1/3}$ (if $w > 0.008856$)
 $= 7.787(w) + 16/116$ (otherwise)

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Calculating CIELAB Coordinate

- $L^* = 116f(Y/Y_n) - 16$
- L^* is perceived lightness approximately ranging from 0.0 for black to 100.0 for white

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Calculating CIELAB Coordinate

- $a^* = 500[f(X/X_n) - f(Y/Y_n)]$
- $b^* = 200[f(Y/Y_n) - f(Z/Z_n)]$
- a^* represents red-green chroma perception
- b^* represents yellow-blue chroma perception

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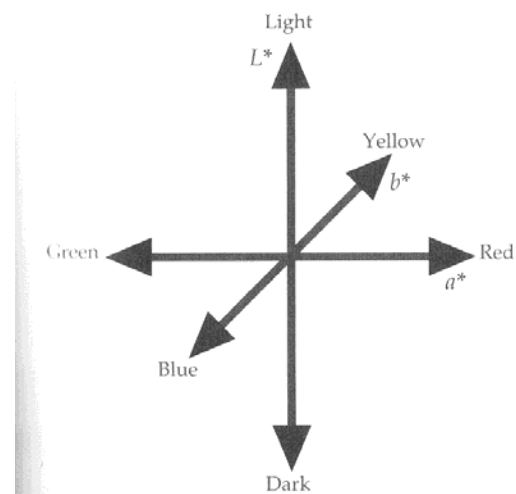
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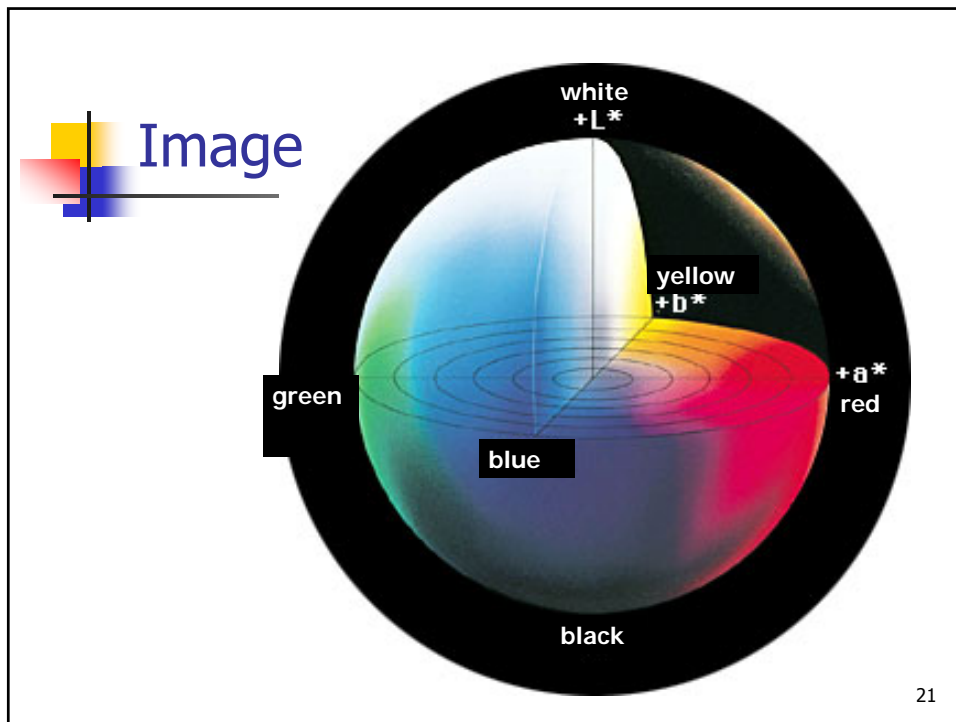
- They can be both negative and positive value
- What does it mean if a value is 0.0?

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CIELAB color space



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Calculating CIELAB Coordinate

- Chroma (magnitude)

$$C^*_{ab} = [a^{*2} + b^{*2}]^{1/2}$$
- Hue (angle)

$$h_{ab} = \tan^{-1}(b^*/a^*)$$

expressed in positive degrees starting at the positive a* axis and progressing in a counterclockwise direction

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Example of CIELAB calculations

Table 10-1. Example CIELAB calculations.

Quantity	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
X	19.01	57.06	3.53	19.01
Y	20.00	43.06	6.56	20.00
Z	21.78	31.96	2.14	21.78
X_n	95.05	95.05	109.85	109.85
Y_n	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Z_n	108.88	108.88	35.58	35.58
L^*	51.84	71.60	30.78	51.84
a^*	0.00	44.22	-42.69	-13.77
b^*	-0.01	18.11	2.30	-52.86
C^*_{ab}	0.01	47.79	42.75	54.62
h_{ab}	270.0	22.3	176.9	255.4

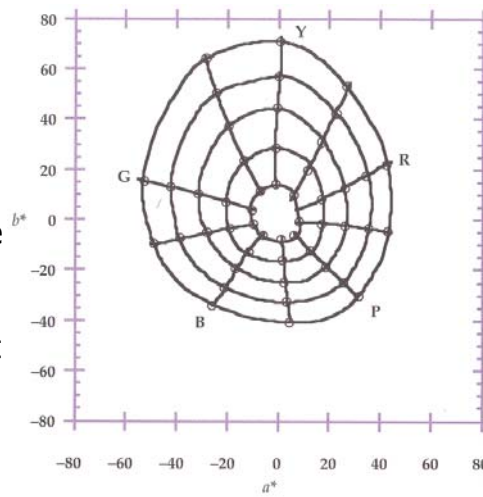
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Evaluation of CIELAB space

Plots of hue and chroma from the Munsell Book of Color

Straight lines represent hue

Concentric circles represent chroma

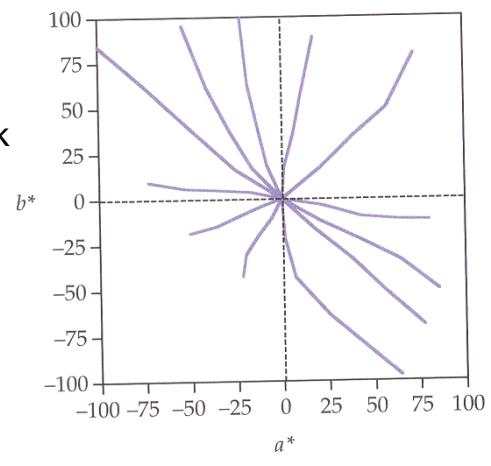




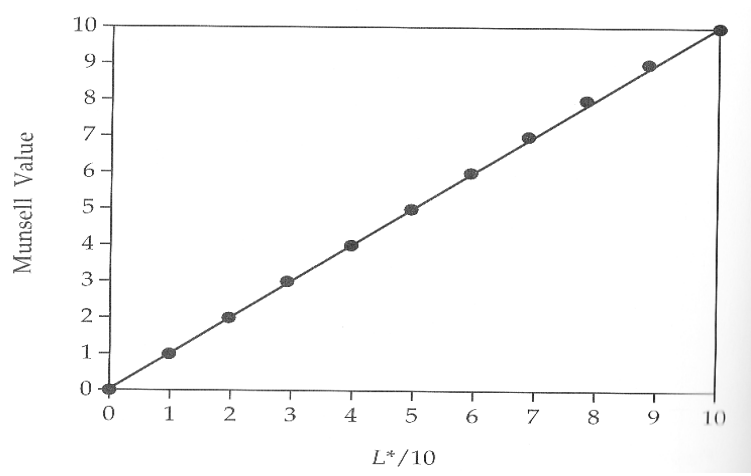
Evaluation of CIELAB space

Further examinations using a system called CRT which is capable of achieving wider chroma than the Munsell Book of Color

Illustrated differences between observed and predicted results



Evaluation of CIELAB space





Evaluation of CIELAB space

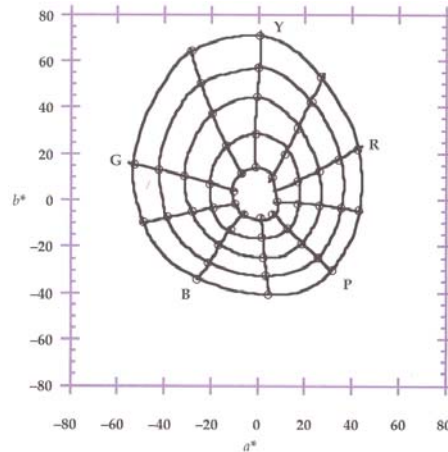
Unique hues

Red 24° (not 0°)

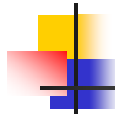
Yellow 90°

Green 162° (not 180°)

Blue 246° (not 270°)



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Summary of CIELAB (pros)

- well-established, de facto international-standard color space
- capable of color appearance prediction

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Summary of CIELAB (cons)

- limited ability to predict hue
- no luminance-level dependency
- no background or surround dependency
- and so on...

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Therefore...

- CIELAB is used as a benchmark to measure more sophisticated models

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The Hunt Model

- designed to predict a wide range of visual phenomena
- requires an extensive list of input data
- complete model
- complicated

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Input data

- chromaticity coordinates of the illuminant and the adapting field
- chromaticities and luminance factors of the background, proximal field, reference white, and test sample
- photopic luminance L_A and its color temperature T
- chromatic surrounding induction factors N_c
- brightness surrounding induction factors N_b
- luminance of reference white Y_w
- luminance of background Y_b
- If some of these are not available, alternative values can be used

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Adaptation Model

- In Hunt model, the cone responses are denoted $\rho\gamma\beta$ rather than LMS

$$\begin{array}{l} \rho \\ \gamma \\ \beta \end{array} = \begin{array}{ccc} 0.38971 & 0.68898 & -0.07868 \\ -0.22981 & 1.18340 & 0.04641 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array}$$

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Adaptation Model

$$\rho_a = B_\rho \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\rho \rho / \rho_W \right) + \rho_D \right] + 1$$

$$\gamma_a = B_\gamma \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\gamma \gamma / \gamma_W \right) + \gamma_D \right] + 1$$

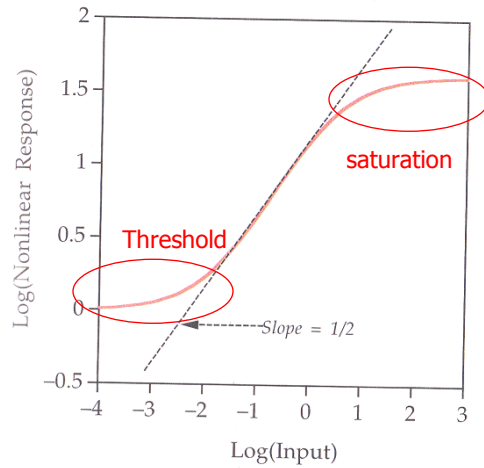
$$\beta_a = B_\beta \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\beta \beta / \beta_W \right) + \beta_D \right] + 1$$

- There are many parameters need to be defined...

$$f_n[I] = 40 \left[I^{0.75} / (I^{0.75} + 2) \right]$$

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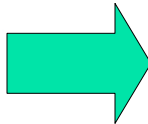
The nonlinear response function f_n



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Adaptation Model

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_a &= B_\rho \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\rho \rho / \rho_W \right) + \rho_D \right] + 1 & \rho_a &= f_n \left(F_L F_\rho \rho / \rho_W \right) \\
 \gamma_a &= B_\gamma \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\gamma \gamma / \gamma_W \right) + \gamma_D \right] + 1 & \gamma_a &= f_n \left(F_L F_\gamma \gamma / \gamma_W \right) \\
 \beta_a &= B_\beta \left[f_n \left(F_L F_\beta \beta / \beta_W \right) + \beta_D \right] + 1 & \beta_a &= f_n \left(F_L F_\beta \beta / \beta_W \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



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Opponent-color Dimensions

- Given the **adapted cone signals**, ρ_a , γ_a , and β_a , one can calculate opponent-type visual responses very simply

$$A_a = 2\rho_a + \gamma_a + (1/20)\beta_a - 3.05 + 1$$

$$C_1 = \rho_a - \gamma_a$$

$$C_2 = \gamma_a - \beta_a$$

$$C_3 = \beta_a - \rho_a$$

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Opponent-color Dimensions

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- The **achromatic post-adaptation signal** A_a is calculated by summing the cone responses with weights that represent their relative population in the retina

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Opponent-color Dimensions

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$$\underline{C_3} = \beta_a - \rho_a$$

- The three **color difference signals**, **C1**, **C2**, and **C3**, represent all of the possible chromatic opponent signals that could be produced in the retina

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Others

- Hue, saturation, brightness, lightness, chroma, and colorfulness also can be calculated by solving quite complicated equations...

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Summary of the Hunt model (pros)

- seem to be able to do everything that anyone could ever want from a color appearance model
- extremely **flexible**
- capable of making **accurate predictions** for a wide range of visual experiments

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Summary of the Hunt model (cons)

- optimized parameter is required; otherwise, this model may perform extremely poorly, even worse than much simpler model
- computationally expensive
- difficult to implement
- Requires significant user knowledge to use consistently

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Color Appearance Models II

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Agenda

- Nayatani et al Model. (1986)
- RLAB Model. (1990)



Nayatani et al Model

- Illumination engineering
- Color rendering properties of light sources.
- Explanation of naturally occurring natural phenomenon.



Color Appearance Phenomenon

- Stevens Effect
 - Contrast Increase with luminance
- Hunt Effect
 - Colorfulness increases with luminance
- Helson Judd Effect
 - Change in hue depending on background



Nayatani Model - Input Data

- Background
 - Luminance Factor, Y_0
 - Chromaticity Co-ordinates, x_0 and y_0 .
- Stimulus
 - Luminance Factor, Y
 - Chromaticity Co-ordinates, x and y .
- Absolute luminance E_0
- Normalizing Illuminance, E_{or}



Nayatani Model - Starting Points

- Use chromaticity coordinates.



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- Convert them to 3 intermediate values.



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$$\xi = (0.48105x_o + 0.78841y_o - 0.08081)/y_o$$

$$\eta = (-0.27200x_o + 1.11962y_o + 0.04570)/y_o$$

$$\zeta = 0.91822(1 - x_o - y_o)/y_o$$

Adaptation Model

- Calculate the cone responses for the adapting field

$$\begin{vmatrix} R_o \\ G_o \\ B_o \end{vmatrix} = \frac{Y_o E_o}{100\pi} \begin{vmatrix} \bar{r} \\ \bar{g} \\ \bar{b} \end{vmatrix}$$

R -> L
G -> M
B -> S

Chromatic Adaptation Model

- Adapted Cone Signals

- L_a, M_a, S_a

$$L_a = a_L \left(\frac{L + L_n}{L_0 + L_n} \right)^{\beta_L}$$

- Cone excitations

- L, M, S

$$M_a = a_M \left(\frac{M + M_n}{M_0 + M_n} \right)^{\beta_M}$$

- Noise terms

- L_n, M_n, S_n

$$S_a = a_S \left(\frac{S + S_n}{S_0 + S_n} \right)^{\beta_S}$$



Adaptation Model

- Compute the exponents nonlinearities used in the chromatic adaptation model

$$\beta_1(R_o) = \frac{6.469 + 6.362R_o^{0.4495}}{6.469 + R_o^{0.4495}}$$

$$\beta_1(G_o) = \frac{6.469 + 6.362G_o^{0.4495}}{6.469 + G_o^{0.4495}}$$

$$\beta_2(B_o) = \frac{8.414 + 8.091B_o^{0.5128}}{8.414 + B_o^{0.5128}} \times 0.7844$$



Adaptation Model

- For the test stimulus,

$$\begin{array}{l} R \\ G \\ B \end{array} = \begin{array}{ccc} 0.40024 & 0.70760 & -0.08081 \\ -0.22630 & 1.16532 & 0.04570 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.91822 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{array}$$



Opponent Color Dimensions

- Use opponent theory to represent the cone response in achromatic and chromatic channels.
- Single achromatic channel.
- Double chromatic channels.



Achromatic Response

$$Q = \frac{41.69}{\beta_1(L_{or})} \left[\frac{2}{3} \beta_1(R_o) e(R) \log \frac{R+n}{20\xi+n} + \frac{1}{3} \beta_1(G_o) e(G) \log \frac{G+n}{20\eta+n} \right]$$

- Considers only the middle and long wavelength cone response.
- Logarithm -> model the nonlinearity of the human eye.



Chromatic Channels

- Tritanopic and Protanopic responses.
- Tritanopic
 - Red Green Response
- Protanopic
 - Blue Yellow Response

Chromatic Channels

$$t = \beta_1(R_o) \log \frac{R+n}{20\xi+n} - \frac{12}{11} \beta_1(G_o) \log \frac{G+n}{20\eta+n} + \frac{1}{11} \beta_2(B_o) \log \frac{B+n}{20\zeta+n}$$

$$p = \frac{1}{9} \beta_1(R_o) \log \frac{R+n}{20\xi+n} + \frac{1}{9} \beta_1(G_o) \log \frac{G+n}{20\eta+n} - \frac{2}{9} \beta_2(B_o) \log \frac{B+n}{20\zeta+n}$$



Hue

- Hue Angle
- Hue Quadrature
- Hue Composition

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{p}{t} \right)$$



Brightness

$$B_r = Q + \frac{50}{\beta_1(L_{or})} \left[\frac{2}{3} \beta_1(R_o) + \frac{1}{3} \beta_1(G_o) \right]$$

$$\beta_1(L_{or}) = \frac{6.469 + 6.362L_{or}^{0.4495}}{6.469 + L_{or}^{0.4495}}$$



Lightness

- Calculated from the achromatic response alone.
- $L_p = Q + 50$.
 - Black $\Rightarrow L_p = 0$;
 - White $\Rightarrow L_p = 100$;



Pros and Cons

- Pros

- 'Complete' model.
- Relatively simple.

- Cons

- Changes in background and surround
- Not helpful for cross media applications.



The RLAB Model

- A color appearance model which would be suitable for most practical applications.
- simple and easy to use.
- takes the positive aspects of CIELAB and tries to overcome its drawbacks.
- application – cross media image reproduction.



Input Data

- Tristimulus values of the test stimulus.
- Tristimulus values of the white point.
- Absolute luminance of a white object.
- Relative luminance of the surround.



Adaptation Model

- Cone Response

$$\begin{vmatrix} L \\ M \\ S \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{M} \begin{vmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{vmatrix} 0.3897 & 0.6890 & -0.0787 \\ -0.2298 & 1.1834 & 0.0464 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0000 \end{vmatrix}$$



Adaptation Model

- Chromatic Adaptation

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{vmatrix} a_L & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & a_M & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & a_S \end{vmatrix}$$

Adaptation Model

- Mapping the X, Y, Z to a reference viewing condition.

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{ref} \\ Y_{ref} \\ Z_{ref} \end{pmatrix} = \text{RAM} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}$$

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- $R = M^{-1} A^{-1}$, a constant.

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1.9569 & -1.1882 & 0.2313 \\ 0.3612 & 0.6388 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}$$



Opponent Color Dimensions

- A 'better' and 'simplified' CIELAB.

$$L^R = 100(Y_{ref})^{\sigma}$$

$$a^R = 430 \left[(X_{ref})^{\sigma} - (Y_{ref})^{\sigma} \right]$$

$$b^R = 170 \left[(Y_{ref})^{\sigma} - (Z_{ref})^{\sigma} \right]$$



Exponents

- $\sigma = 1/2.3$, for an average surround.
- $\sigma = 1/2.9$, for a dim surround.
- $\sigma = 1/3.5$, for a dark surround.



Lightness

- The RLAB Correlate of lightness is just L^R !



Hue

- Hue Angle, $h^R = \tan^{-1}(b^R/a^R)$
- Hue Composition, H^R - same as before.



Chroma and Saturation

- $C^R = \{ (b^R)^2 + (a^R)^2 \}^{1/2}$
- $S^R = C^R / L^R$



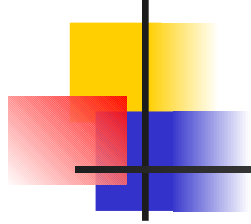
Pros and Cons

■ Pros

- Simple.
- Straightforward.
- Accurate.

■ Cons

- Can't be applied to really large luminance ranges.
- Does not explain Hunt, Stevens model.



Thanks!