

Color Models

- The color models are also known as "color space" or "color system".
- Provide specification of color in some standard form.
- It is a specification of coordinat system and a subspace where each color is represented by a single point.
- Nowadays, each color model is used or oriented towards hardware or application where the goal is to manipulate the colors.

Hardware : color monitor & printers

Color manipulations : color graphics for animation.

- In terms of digital image processing, the hardware oriented models are most commonly used.
- We have different hardware oriented models for DIP such as

RGB: Red, Green, Blue

CMY: Cyan, magenta, Yellow

CMYK: Cyan, magenta, yellow, black

HSI: Hue, Saturation & intensity

commonly used in digital camera

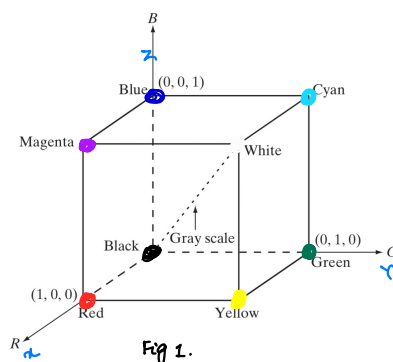
→ color printers

→ human description & interpretation of color.

↳ Advantage: decouples the color of grayscale information in an image making it suitable for grayscale applications.



RGB color model :



- each color \Rightarrow Red, Green & Blue.

- This model is based on cartesian coordinate system.

- The schematic of RGB model is shown in Fig 1. Here R is on x-axis, Green on y-axis & Blue on z-axis.

(x, y, z)
 (R, G, B)

(x, y, z)

- The coordinates of R is $(1, 0, 0)$
 G is $(0, 1, 0)$
 B is $(0, 0, 1)$
 K (black) is $(0, 0, 0)$
 White is $(1, 1, 1)$

For the yellow color the coordinates are given as

$$Y = R + G \Rightarrow (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\text{Cyan} = G + B \Rightarrow (0, 1, 1)$$

$$\text{Magenta} = R + B \Rightarrow (1, 0, 1)$$

a
b

FIGURE 6.9
 (a) Generating the RGB image of the cross-sectional color plane (127, G, B). (b) The three hidden surface planes in the color cube of Fig. 6.8.

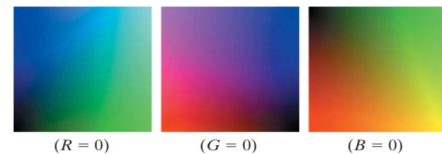
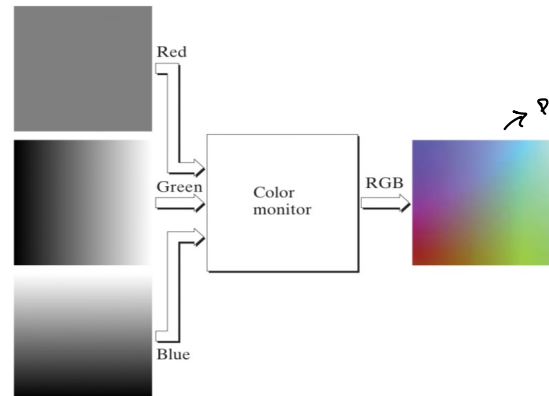
each color in RGB is represented in 8 bits.

R \rightarrow 8 bits (0-255)

G \rightarrow 8 bits "

B \rightarrow 8 bits "

24 bits



- No. of bits to represent each pixel in an image in "RGB" color space is known as "pixel depth". So pixel depth in RGB is **24 bits**.
- A 24 bit color image \rightarrow full color image.
- The total no. of colors in a 24 bit RGB image is **$2^{24} = 16777216$**

CMY / CMYK color models :

- RGB is an additive color model \Rightarrow we obtain a color by adding various ratios of R, G & B.
- CMY/CMYK is a subtractive color model. Here, we subtract the color from white to obtain a cyan, magenta and yellow.
- Combine C, M & Y, we get K (black).

$$C = W - R$$

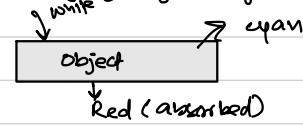
$$M = W - G$$

$$Y = W - B$$

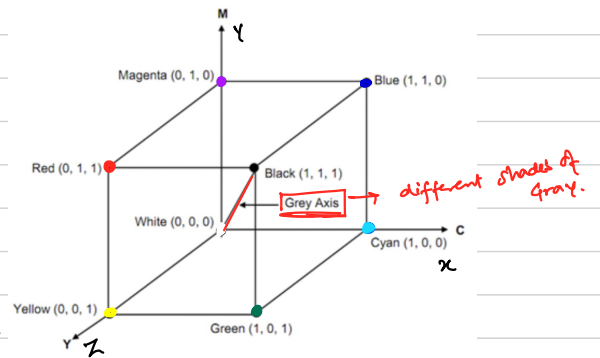
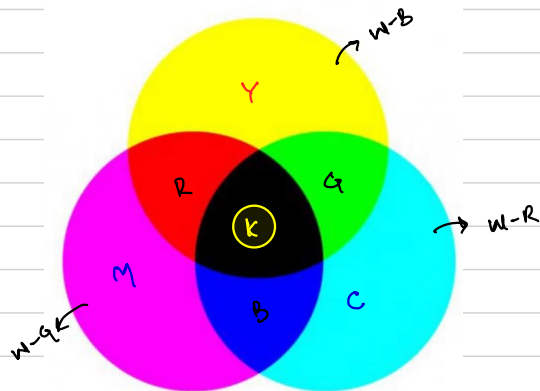
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} C \\ M \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

\uparrow white

- These colors are obtained by reflection of light e.g.,
- There is an object and white light falls on this object; if this object absorbs red color then the object reflects "cyan" and this object will appear as "cyan"



CMYK



$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y, z) \\
 C &= (1, 0, 0) \\
 M &= (0, 1, 0) \\
 Y &= (0, 0, 1) \\
 K &= (1, 1, 1) \rightarrow C+M+Y
 \end{aligned}$$

- Used in color printers

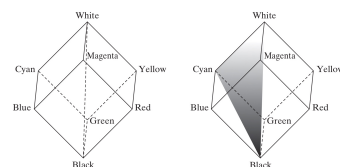
- HSI Color Model: It depends on human perception, which means, when views a color object, it is described by Hue, saturation & brightness.
- A human eye decouples the intensity information from the color objects.

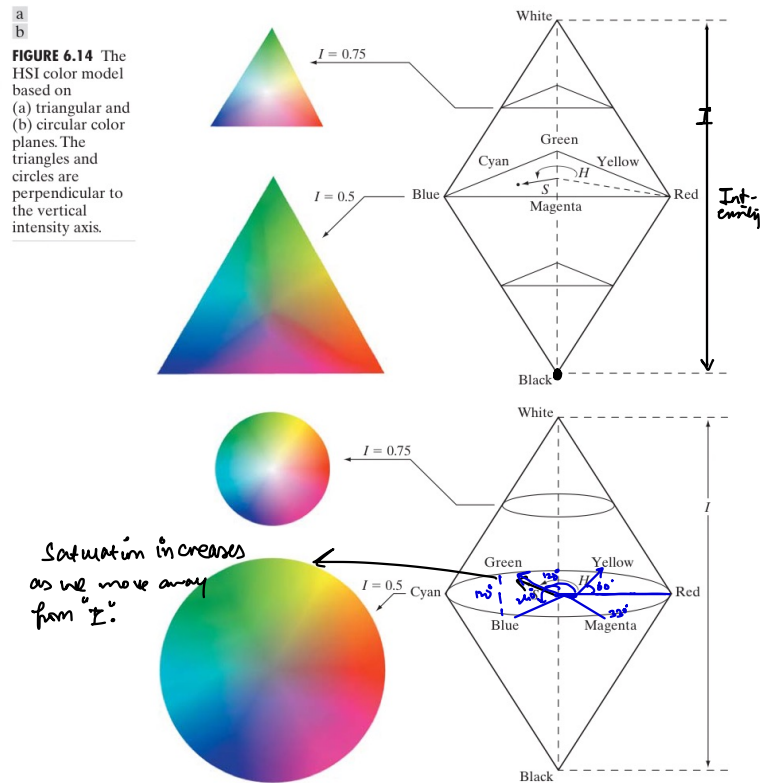
Hue: A color component that describes pure color e.g. red, green, yellow

Saturation: It describes how much a pure color is diluted by mixing white color.

Intensity: It is the chromatic notation of brightness of black and white range

FIGURE 6.12 Conceptual relationships between the RGB and HSI color models.





• Hue is always measured from "red".

→ From red at 120° → we have green, and at 120° from green, we have blue. From this blue at 120° , we have magenta.

→ From red we have yellow at 60° , and from yellow at 60° we have green. At 60° from green we have cyan and at 60° from cyan, we have blue.

$$\text{Hue} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } B \leq 0 \\ 360^\circ - \theta & \text{if } B > 0 \end{cases} \quad \theta = \cos^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \frac{[(R-G) + (R-B)]}{(R-G)^2 + (R-B)(G-B)} \right\}$$

$$\text{Saturation } S = 1 - \frac{3}{R+G+B} [\min(R, G, B)]$$

$$\text{Intensity } I = \frac{1}{3} (R+G+B).$$

converting color from RGB to HSI

- 1) Input RGB image.
- 2) Represent the RGB image in the range [0 1]
- 3) Find HSI components.

Example:

Convert RGB to HSI

$$R = 24, G = 98, B = 118$$

Sol:

$$R = 24/255 = 0.09$$

$$G = 98/255 = 0.38$$

$$B = 118/255 = 0.46$$

$$H = \begin{cases} \theta & ; \text{ if } B \leq G \\ 360^\circ - \theta & ; \text{ if } B > G \end{cases} \quad \text{Angle is in degrees}$$

Here $B=118$ and $G=98$, so $B > G$. We will use $360^\circ - \theta$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(R-G) + (R+B)}{((R-G)^2 + (R-B)(G-B))^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(10.09 - 0.38) + (10.09 - 0.46)}{((10.09 - 0.38)^2 + (10.09 - 0.46)(0.38 - 0.46))^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(-0.29) + (-0.37)}{((-0.29)^2 + (-0.37)(-0.08))^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-0.33}{\sqrt{0.1137}} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-0.33}{0.33} \right) = \cos^{-1}(-1) = 180^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ$$

$$H = 360^\circ - 180^\circ = \boxed{180^\circ}$$

$$S = 1 - \frac{3}{R+G+B} (\min(R, G, B))$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{10.09 + 0.38 + 0.46} * (\min(10.09, 0.38, 0.46))$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{0.93} * 0.09 = 1 - 0.29 = \boxed{0.71}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{3}(R+G+B) = \frac{1}{3}(10.09 + 0.38 + 0.46)$$

$$= 0.93/3 = \boxed{0.31}$$

converting colors from HSI to RGB

- HSI is also in the range $[0-1]$
- Find the corresponding RGB values in the same range.

①: RG sector ($0^\circ \leq H \leq 120^\circ$)

$$B = I(1-S), \quad R = I \left[1 + \frac{S \cos H}{\cos(60^\circ - H)} \right]$$

$$\& G = 3I - (R+B)$$

②: GB sector: ($120^\circ \leq H \leq 240^\circ$)

$$H = H - 120^\circ$$

$$R = I(1-S)$$

$$G = I \left[1 + \frac{S \cos H}{\cos(60^\circ - H)} \right]$$

③: BR sector ($240^\circ \leq H \leq 360^\circ$)

$$H = H - 240^\circ$$

$$G = I(1-S)$$

$$B = I \left[1 + \frac{S \cos H}{\cos(60^\circ - H)} \right]$$

$$R = 3I - (G+B).$$