Viewing Object Colors in a Gallery

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Introduction

The goal of this **colorSpec** vignette is to display rendered images of a popular color target with different illuminants, both with and without chromatic adaption methods. The figures are best viewed on a display calibrated for sRGB. Featured functions in this vignette are: **extradata()**, and **product()**.

```
library( colorSpec )
library( spacesXYZ )  # for function standardXYZ()
library( spacesRGB )  # for functions RGBfromXYZ() and plotPatchesRGB()
```

Read the target spectra. This data has been kindly provided in CGATS format by [2]. *ColorChecker* is a Registered Trademark of X-Rite, and X-Rite is a Trademark.

```
# read the Macbeth ColorCheck target
path = system.file( 'extdata/targets/CC_Avg30_spectrum_CGATS.txt', package='colorSpec')
MacbethCC = readSpectra( path )
                                              # MacbethCC is a 'colorSpec' object
MacbethCC = MacbethCC[ order(MacbethCC$SAMPLE_ID), ] # still class 'colorSpec'
print( extradata(MacbethCC), row.names=F )
 SAMPLE_ID
             SAMPLE_NAME
                                                 ISCC-NBS_Name LEFT TOP WIDTH HEIGHT
                                Munsell
         1
               dark skin
                            3YR 3.7/3.2
                                                moderate brown
                                                                   7
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                                                                                   29
         2
              light skin 2.2YR 6.47/4.1
                                           light reddish brown
                                                                  40
                                                                       9
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
         3
                                                                  73
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
                blue sky 4.3PB 4.95/5.5
                                                 moderate blue
                                          moderate olive green
         4
                 foliage 6.7GY 4.2/4.1
                                                                 106
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
         5
            blue flower 9.7PB 5.47/6.7
                                                  light violet
                                                                 139
                                                                       9
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
         6
           bluish green
                              2.5BG 7/6
                                            light bluish green
                                                                 172
                                                                       9
                                                                                   29
         7
                  orange
                               5YR 6/11
                                                 strong orange
                                                                  7
                                                                     42
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
         8 purplish blue
                           7.5PB 4/10.7
                                          strong purplish blue
                                                                  40
                                                                     42
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                                                                      42
           moderate red
                              2.5R 5/10
                                                  moderate red
                                                                  73
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        10
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                  purple
                                 5P 3/7
                                                   deep purple
                                                                 106
           yellow green
                            5GY 7.1/9.1
                                           strong yellow green
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                            10YR 7/10.5
                                          strong orange yellow
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                    Blue 7.5PB 2.9/12.7
        14
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                   Green 0.25G 5.4/8.65 strong yellowish green
                                                                     75
        15
                     Red
                                5R 4/12
                                                                  73
                                                                     75
                                                                                   29
                                                    strong red
        16
                  Yellow
                              5Y 8/11.1
                                                  vivid yellow
                                                                 106
                                                                      75
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
                             2.5RP 5/12
                                                                      75
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        17
                 Magenta
                                         strong reddish purple
                                                                 139
                                                                                   29
        18
                                 5B 5/8
                                          strong greenish blue
                                                                 172 75
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                                                                                   29
                    Cyan
        19
                   white
                                  N9.5/
                                                                  7 108
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
                                                         white
        20
                                    N8/
                                                                  40 108
                                                                            29
                                                                                   29
               neutral 8
                                                    light gray
        21
             neutral 6.5
                                  N6.5/
                                             light medium gray
                                                                  73 108
                                                                            29
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```

22	neutral 5	N5/	medium gray	106 108	29	29
23	neutral 3.5	N3.5/	dark gray	139 108	29	29
24	black	N2/	black	172 108	29	29

Note that MacbethCC is organized as 'df.row' and contains extra data for each spectrum, notably the coordinates of the patch rectangle.

Viewing with Illuminant D65

Build the "material responder" from Illuminant D65 and standard CMFs:

```
D65.eye = product( D65.1nm, "artwork", xyz1931.1nm, wave='auto')

# calibrate according to the ASTM and CIE standards,

# except normalize to Y=1 instead of Y=100

# X, Y, and Z are scaled by the same factor

PRD = neutralMaterial( 1, wavelength(D65.eye) )

D65.eye = calibrate( D65.eye, stimulus=PRD, response=c(NA,1,NA), method='scaling')
```

Calculate XYZ and then RGB:

```
XYZ = product( MacbethCC, D65.eye, wave='auto')
RGB = RGBfromXYZ( XYZ, space='sRGB', which='scene')$RGB # this is *signal* sRGB
# add the rectangle data to RGB, so they can be plotted in proper places
obj = extradata(MacbethCC)
obj$RGB = RGB
# display in proper location, and use the sRGB display transfer function
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2))
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', which='signal', back='gray20', labels=FALSE )
```

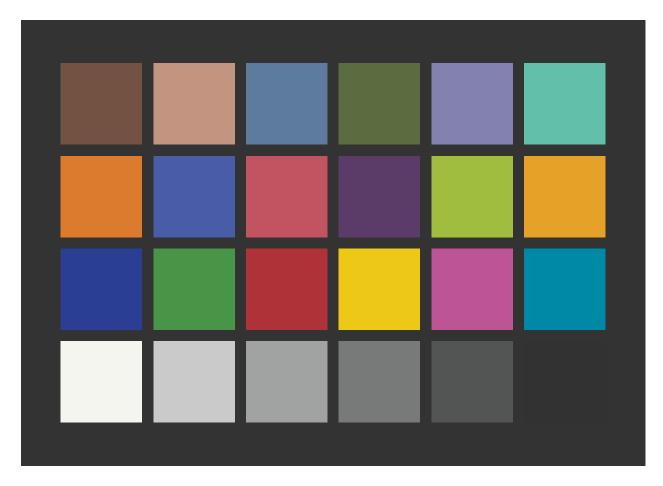


Figure 1: Rendering with Illuminant D65 and xyz1931.1nm

```
obj.first = obj # save this reference object for later
```

Here are the 8-bit device values:

```
RGB8 = round(255 * RGB)
print( RGB8 )
              R
                  G
                    В
dark skin
            115 82 68
light skin 195 149 128
blue sky
            93 123 157
foliage
            91 108 65
blue flower 130 129 175
bluish green 98 191 170
orange
            220 123 46
purplish blue 72 92 168
moderate red 194 84 97
purple
             91 59 104
yellow green 161 189 62
orange yellow 229 161 40
Blue
             42 63 147
Green
            72 149 72
Red
            175 50 57
            238 200 22
Yellow
          188 84 150
Magenta
```

```
Cyan 0 137 166
white 245 245 240
neutral 8 201 202 201
neutral 6.5 161 162 162
neutral 5 120 121 121
neutral 3.5 83 85 85
black 50 50 51
```

Note that all of these patches are inside the sRGB gamut, exept for Cyan.

Another way to do the same thing is use the built-in theoretical camera BT.709.RGB that computes sRGB directly from spectra, and has already been calibrated.

```
RGB = product( D65.1nm, MacbethCC, BT.709.RGB, wave='auto' ) # this is *linear* sRGB
obj = extradata(MacbethCC)
obj$RGB = RGB
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2) )
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', which='scene', back='gray20', labels=FALSE )
```

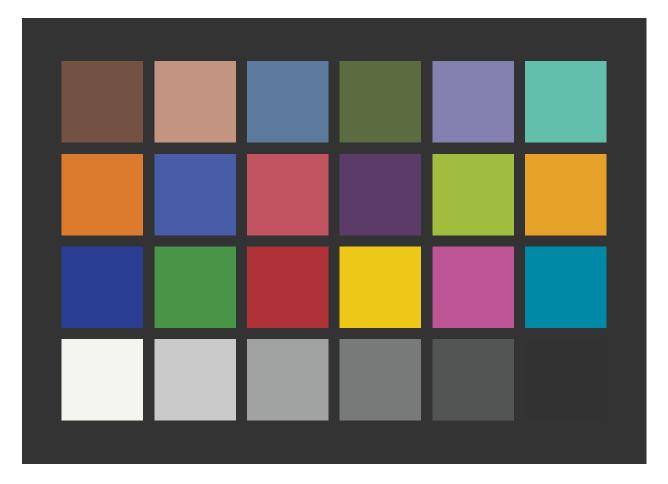


Figure 2: Rendering with Illuminant D65 and Theoretical BT.709.RGB Camera

Viewing with Illuminant D50

Build the "material responder" from Illuminant D50 and standard CMFs:

```
D50.eye = product( D50.5nm, "artwork", xyz1931.5nm, wave='auto')

# calibrate according to the ASTM and CIE standards,

# except normalize to Y=1 instead of Y=100

PRD = neutralMaterial( 1, wavelength(D50.eye) )

D50.eye = calibrate( D50.eye, stimulus=PRD, response=c(NA,1,NA), method='scaling')
```

Calculate XYZ and then RGB:

```
XYZ = product( MacbethCC, D50.eye, wave='auto')
obj = extradata(MacbethCC)
obj$RGB = RGBfromXYZ( XYZ, space='sRGB')$RGB # this is *signal* sRGB
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2))
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', which='signal', back='gray20', labels=FALSE )
```



Figure 3: Rendering with Illuminant D50 and xyz1931.5nm

Since D50 is yellower than D65, the result has a yellow cast. Start over, but this time calibrate and adapt to D65 using the Bradford method.

```
D50.eye = product( D50.5nm, "artwork", xyz1931.5nm, wave='auto')

# calibrate so the response to the perfect-reflecting-diffuser is the 'official XYZ' of D65

# with this chromatic adaption the destination XYZ is a 3x3 matrix times the source XYZ

PRD = neutralMaterial( 1, wavelength(D50.eye))

XYZ.D65 = spacesXYZ::standardXYZ('D65')
```

```
D50toD65.eye = calibrate( D50.eye, stimulus=PRD, response=XYZ.D65, method='Bradford' )
XYZ = product( MacbethCC, D50toD65.eye, wave='auto' )
obj = extradata(MacbethCC)
obj$RGB = RGBfromXYZ( XYZ, space='sRGB' )$RGB  # this is *signal* sRGB
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2) )
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', which='signal', back='gray20', labels=FALSE )
```

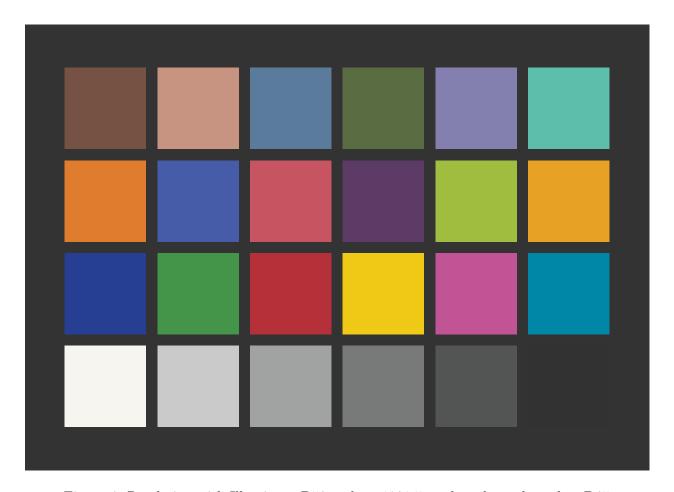


Figure 4: Rendering with Illuminant D50 and xyz1931.5nm, but then adapted to D65

The white-balance here is much improved. But it hard to compare colors in this figure with the ones way back in Figure 1. So combine the original D65 rendering in Figure 1 with this D50 rendering in Figure 4 by splitting each square into 2 triangles. We can do this by setting add=T in the second plot.

```
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2) )
plotPatchesRGB( obj.first, space='sRGB', back='gray20', labels=F )
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', labels=F, shape='bottomright', add=T )
```

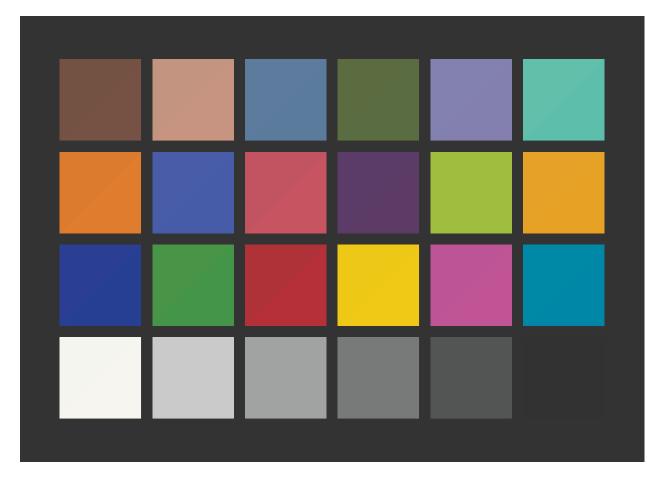


Figure 5: Rendering with both D65 (Figure 1), and D50 then adapted to D65 (Figure 4)

The top-left triangle has the color from Figure 1 and the bottom-right triangle has the color from Figure 4. There is a noticeable difference in the **Red** and **Magenta** patches.

A Rendering with a Scanner

Here we calculate a rendering on an RGB scanner. This is not really a gallery situation, but illustrates the similarity of the 2 RGB calculations.

```
# Build a scanner from Illuminant F11 and the Flea2 camera
scanner = product( subset(Fs.5nm,'F11'), 'artwork', Flea2.RGB, wave='auto')
# calibrate scanner so the response to the perfect-reflecting-diffuser is RGB=(1,1,1)
# set the RGB gains independently
PRD = neutralMaterial(1, wavelength(scanner))
scanner = calibrate( scanner, stimulus=PRD, response=1, method='scaling')
obj = extradata(MacbethCC)
obj$RGB = product( MacbethCC, scanner, wave='auto') # this linear RGB is not linear sRGB
par( omi=c(0,0,0,0), mai=c(0.2,0.2,0.2,0.2))
plotPatchesRGB( obj, space='sRGB', which='scene', back='gray20', labels=FALSE )
```

REFERENCES



Figure 6: Rendering with a generic RGB scanner

The colors are too pale; this time Cyan has a substantial Red signal. Some sort of color management is necessary in this scanner to improve accuracy.

For an interactive viewer along these lines, see [1].

References

- [1] Lindbloom, Bruce. GretagMacbeth ColorChecker Calculator. http://brucelindbloom.com/index.html?ColorCheckerCalculator.html.
- [2] Pascale, Danny. The ColorChecker, page 2. http://www.babelcolor.com/colorchecker-2. htm.

Appendix

This document was prepared January 14, 2025 with the following configuration:

- R version 4.4.2 (2024-10-31 ucrt), x86_64-w64-mingw32
- Running under: Windows 11 x64 (build 22631)
- Matrix products: default
- Base packages: base, datasets, grDevices, graphics, methods, stats, utils

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- Other packages: colorSpec 1.6-0, knitr 1.49, spacesRGB 1.7-0, spacesXYZ 1.4-0
- Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): MASS 7.3-61, R6 2.5.1, bslib 0.8.0, cachem 1.1.0, cli 3.6.3, compiler 4.4.2, digest 0.6.37, evaluate 1.0.1, fastmap 1.2.0, glue 1.8.0, highr 0.11, htmltools 0.5.8.1, jquerylib 0.1.4, jsonlite 1.8.9, lifecycle 1.0.4, logger 0.4.0, microbenchmark 1.5.0, rlang 1.1.4, rmarkdown 2.29, sass 0.4.9, tools 4.4.2, xfun 0.49, yaml 2.3.10