

Introduction to Color Spaces



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Color Model

- A color model is simply a way to define color. A model describes how color will appear on the computer screen or on paper.



RGB (red, green, blue)



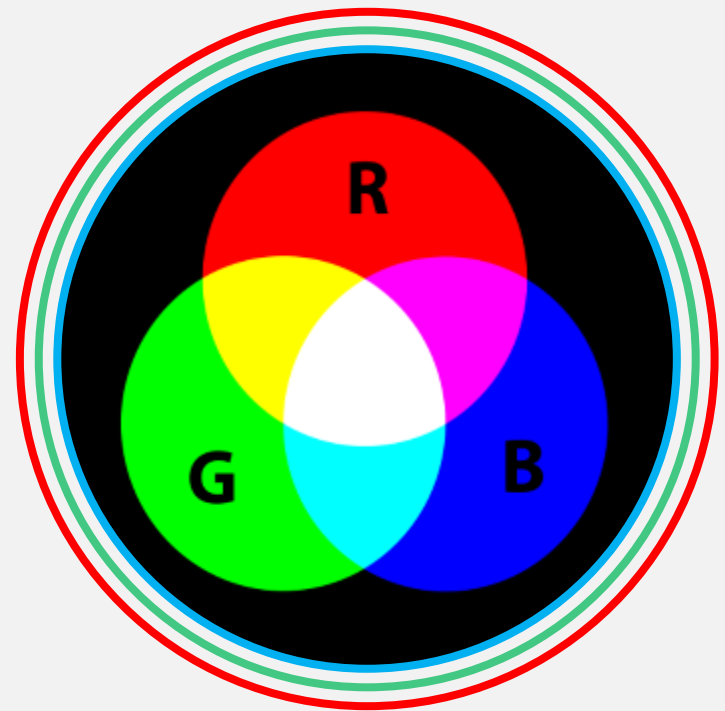
CMYK (Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black)



LAB Color

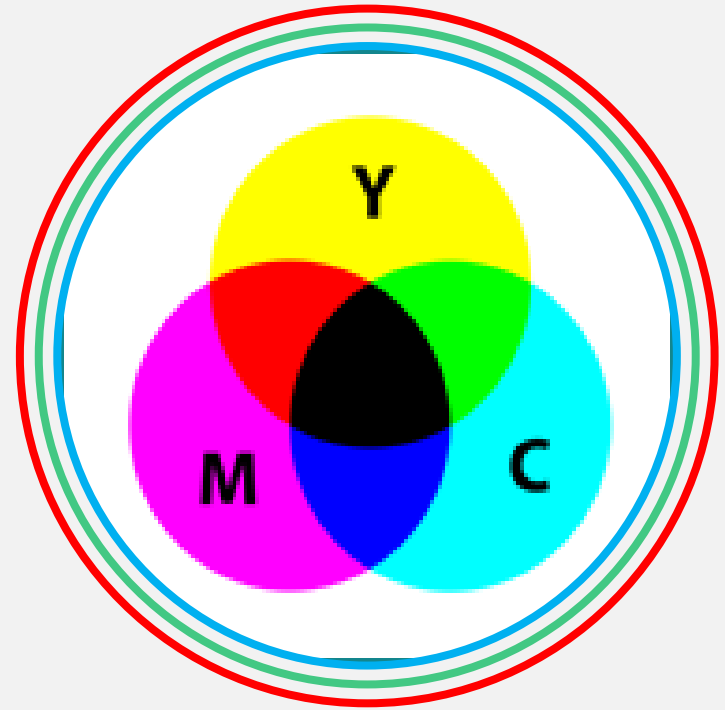
RGB Color Model

- Additive color mixing.
- Color based on percentage of red, green and blue saturation.
- Describes light needs to be emitted to produce a given color.
- Used with screen based designs.



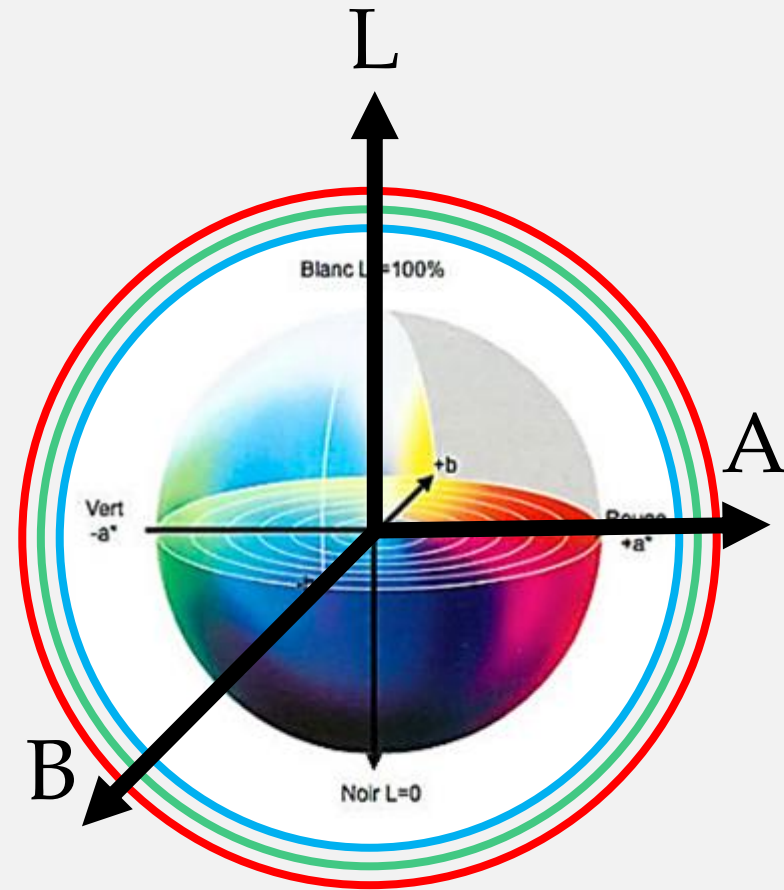
CMYK Color Model

- Subtractive color mixing.
- Colors based on their percentage of Cyan, Magenta, Yellow and Black
- Describes the inks need to be applied so the light reflected from the substrate and through the inks produces a given color.
- Used with print based designs.



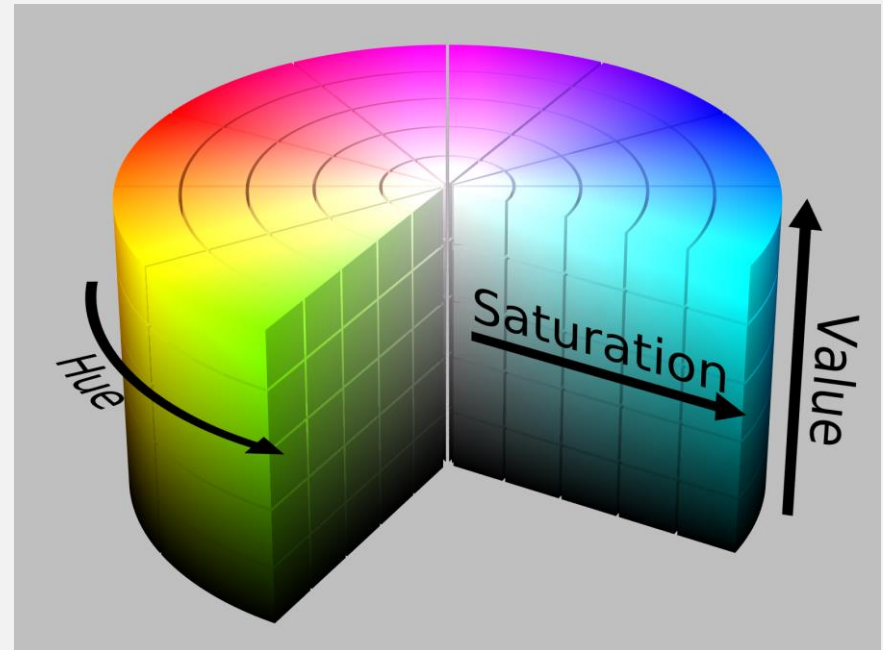
LAB Color Model

- Color Components
 - Lightness (L)
 - range = 0-100
 - 'A' color component
 - range = -128 to 127
 - 'B' color component
 - range = -128 to 127



HSV Color Model

- Color Components
 - 'H', Hue
 - Angle 0-360
 - 'S' Saturation
 - range = 0-1 (0%- 100%)
 - 'V' value
 - range = 0-1 (0% -100%)



Color Gamut (Chromaticity Diagram)

- Range of colors in a color space
- Entire range of colors available on a particular device such as a monitor or printer



Color Spaces

- Method Chosen to represent brightness, luminance or intensity and colors.
- A color space is a specific organization of colors.

Color Spaces

Pro-photo RGB space

Adobe RGB space

sRGB (Standard RGB)

YCbCr (Luma and chroma)

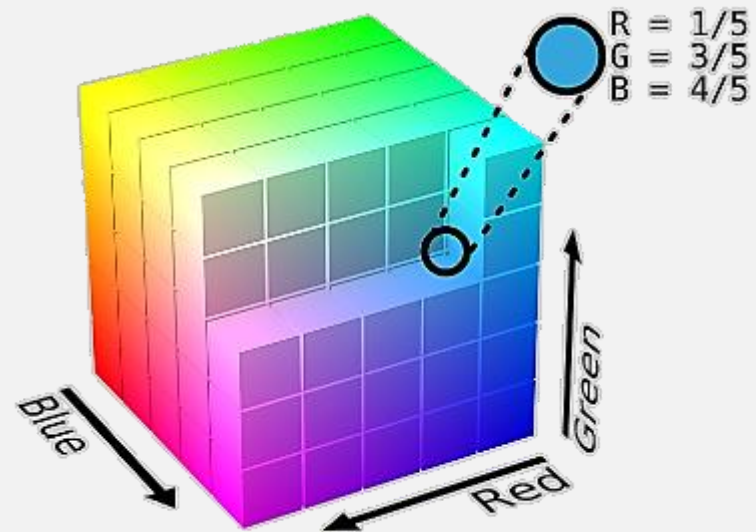
HSI (Hue, Saturation & intensity)

CMYK color space

LAB color space

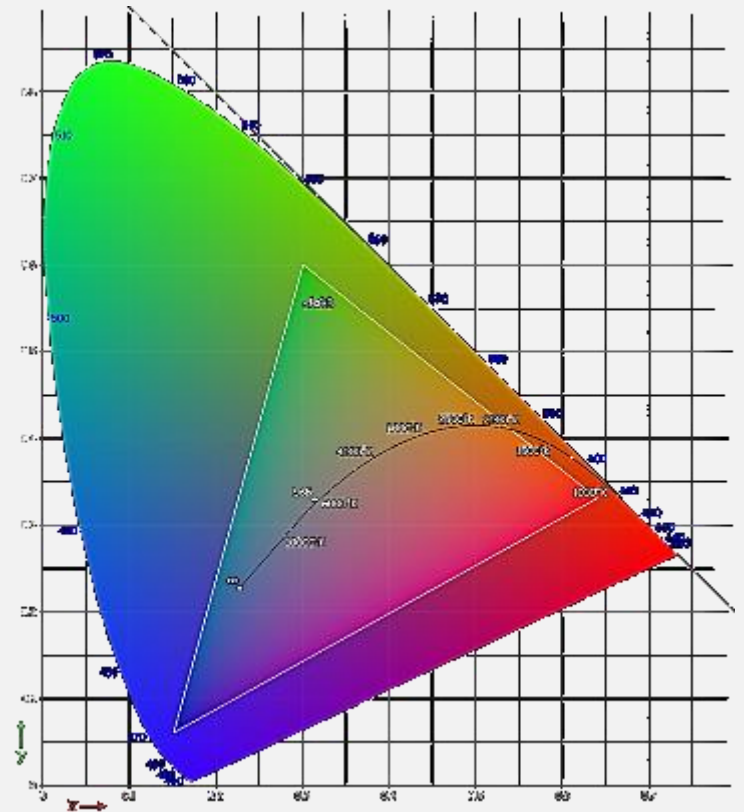
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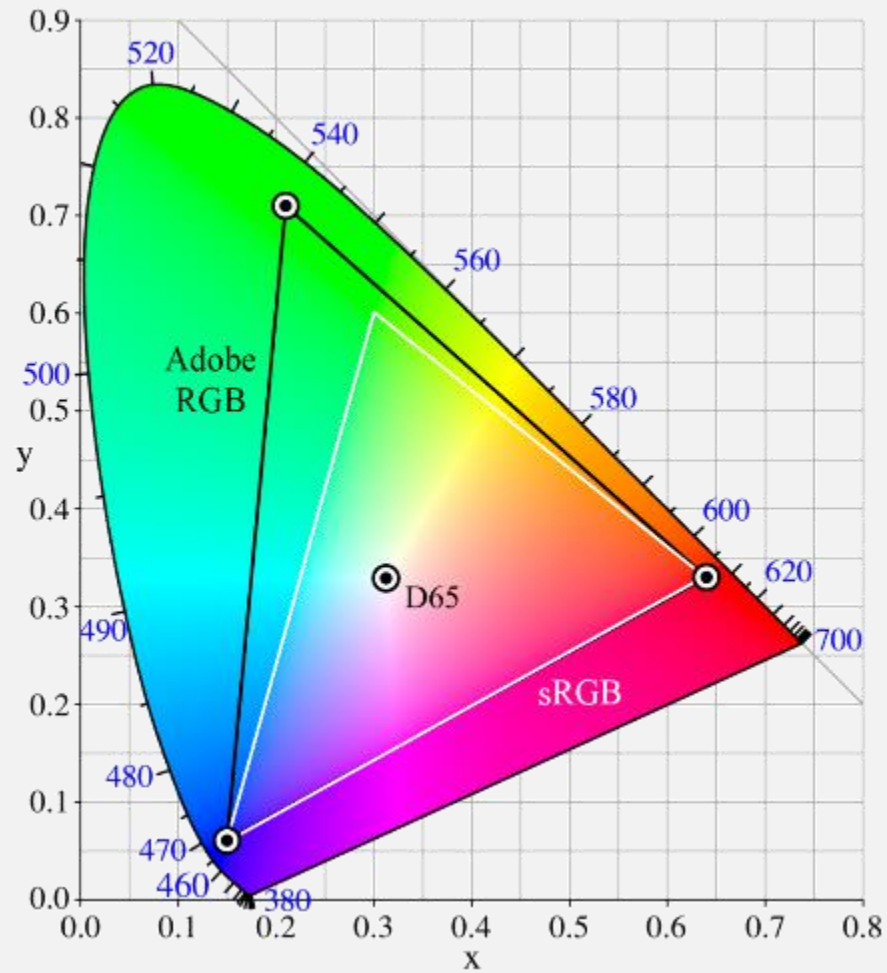


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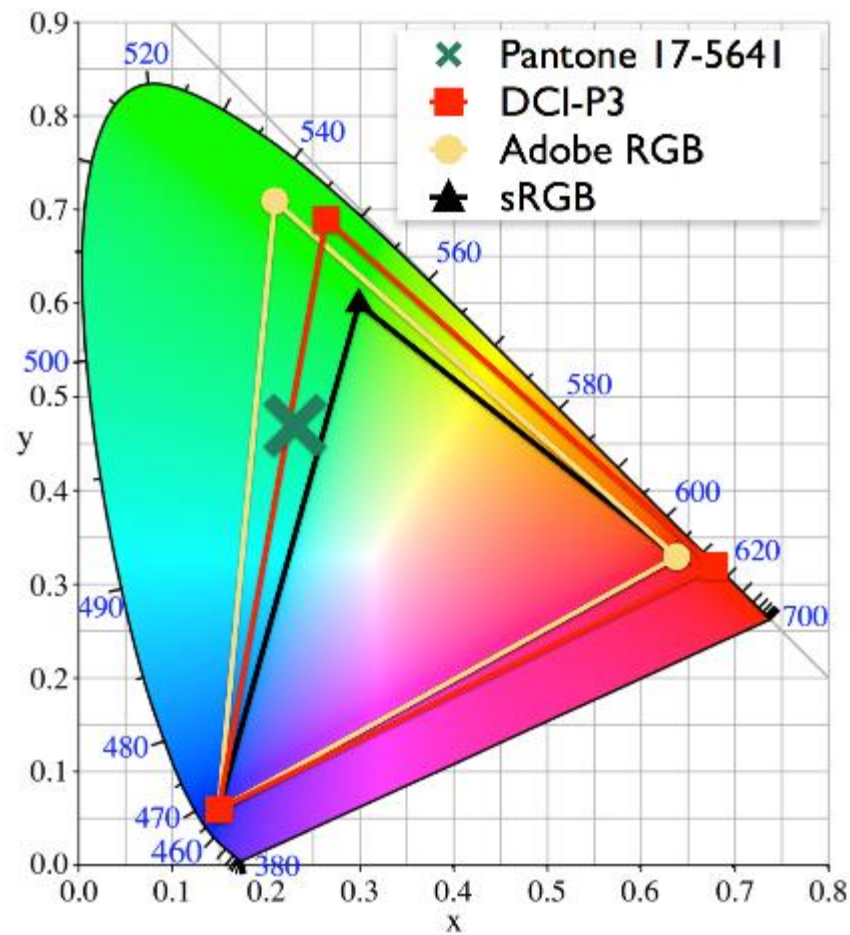
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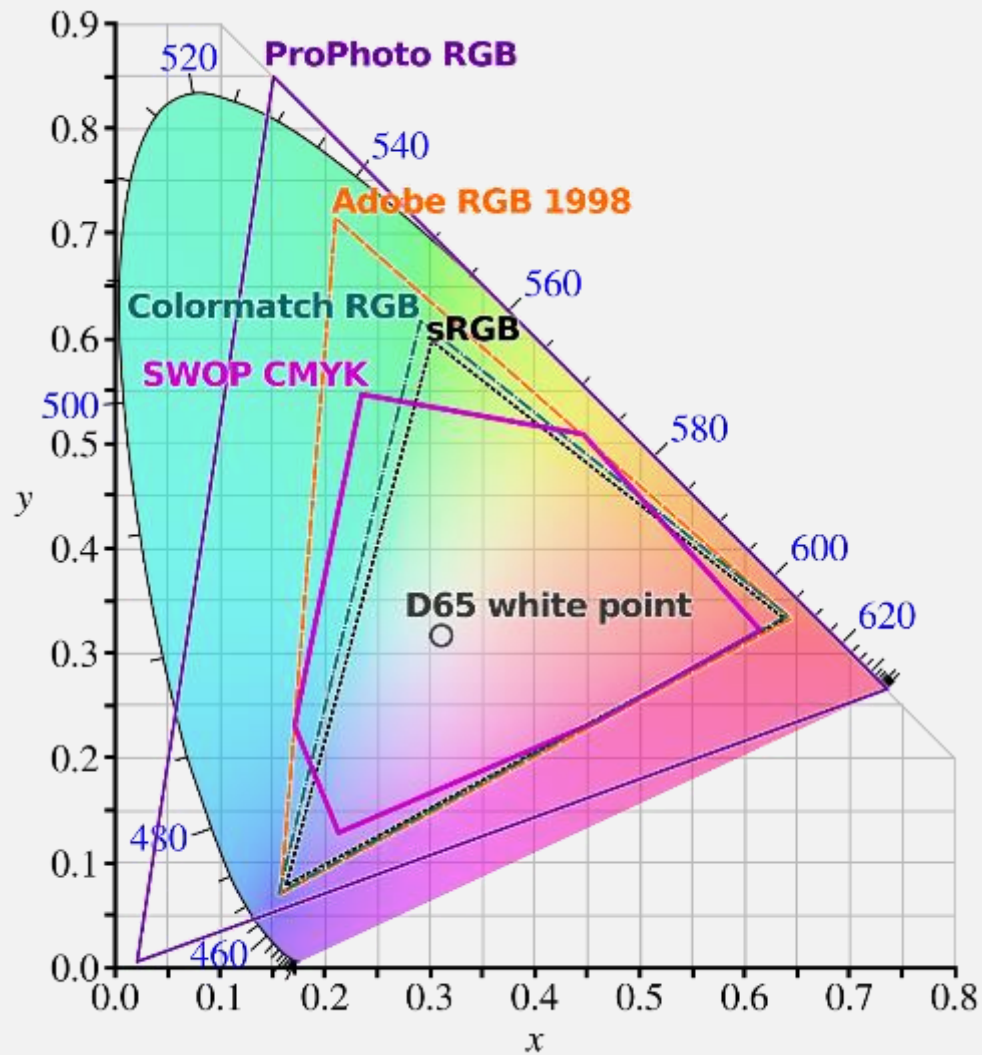
Color Gamut



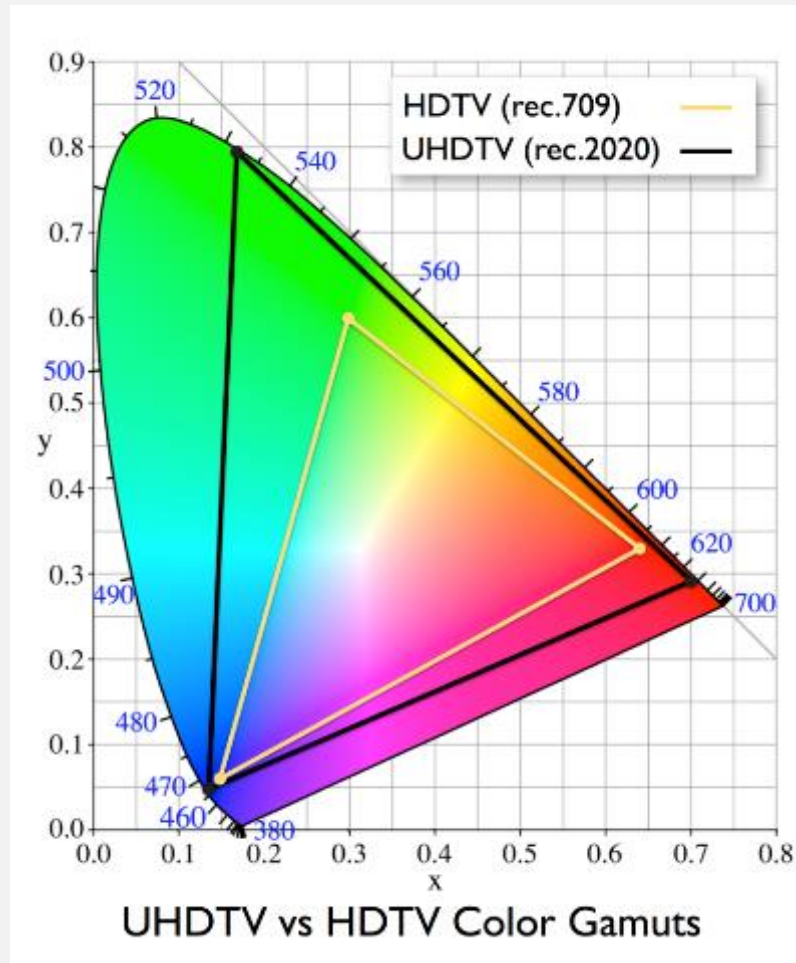
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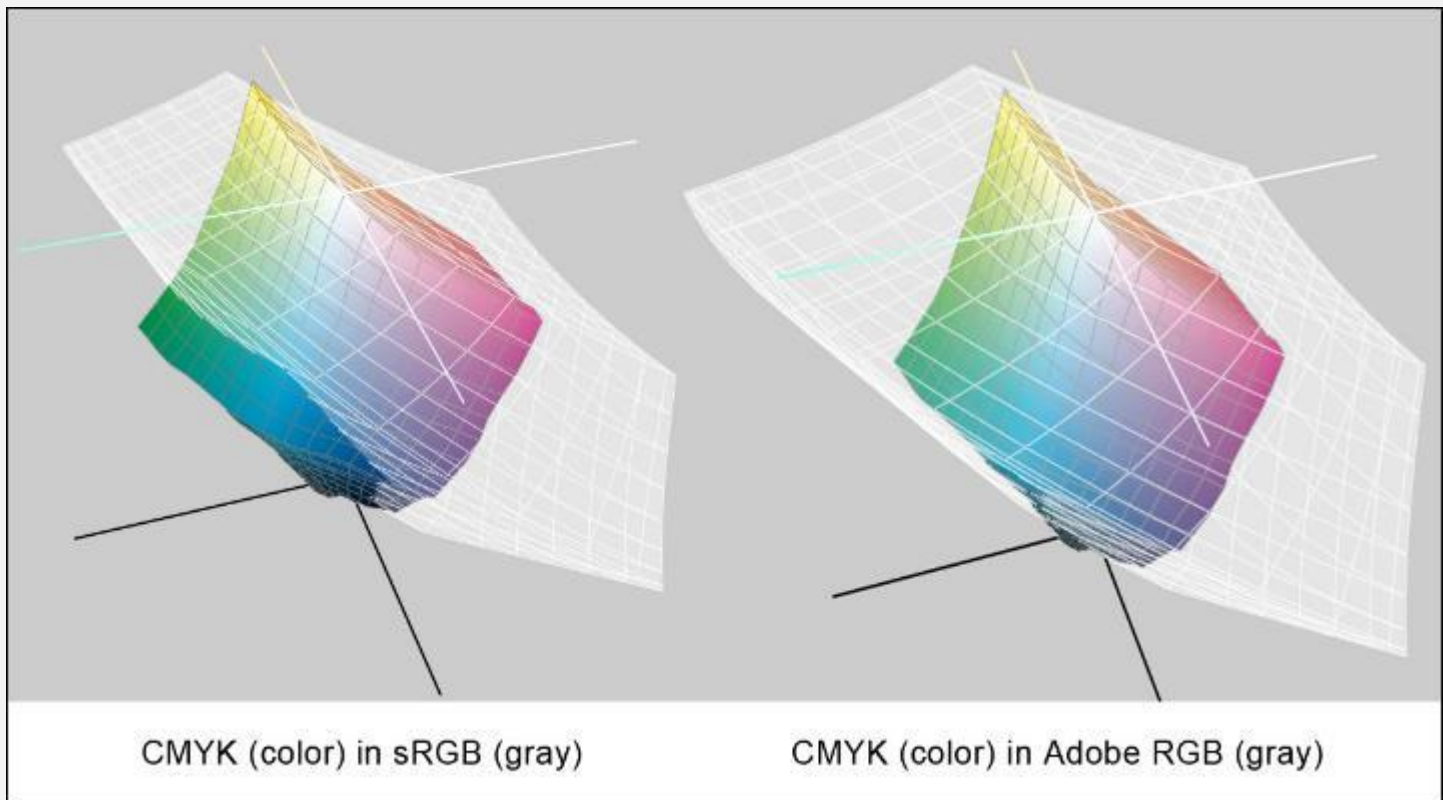
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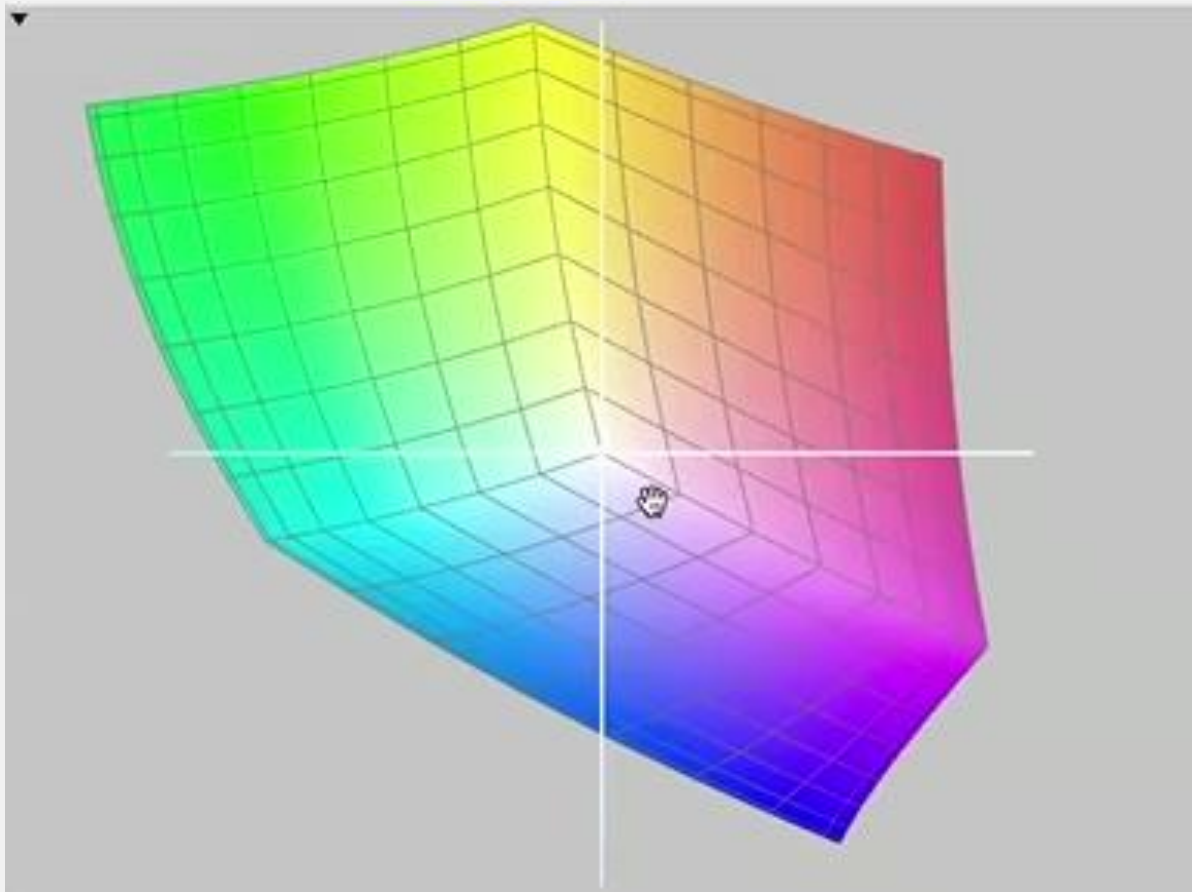
Color Gamut



Color Gamut

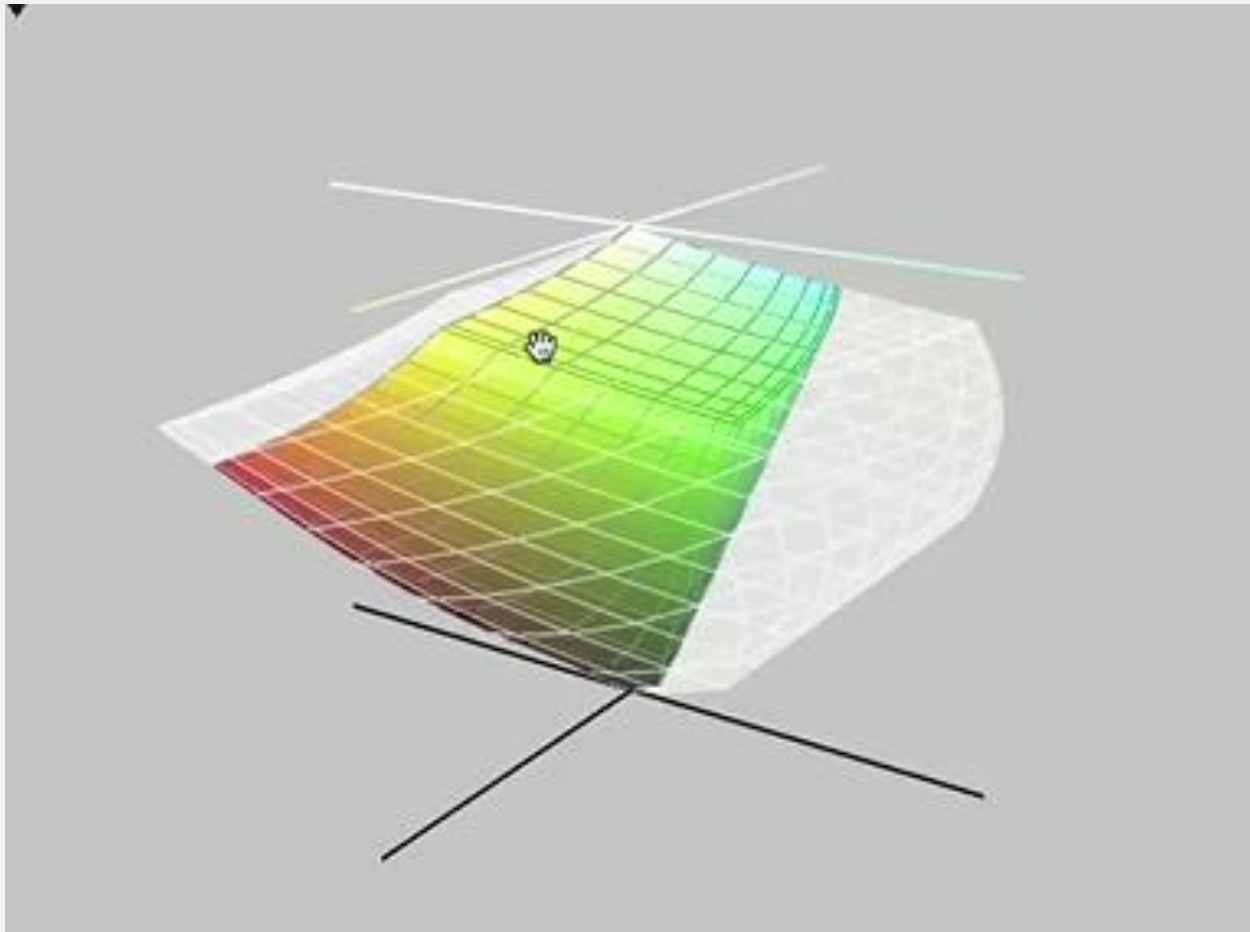


Color Gamut



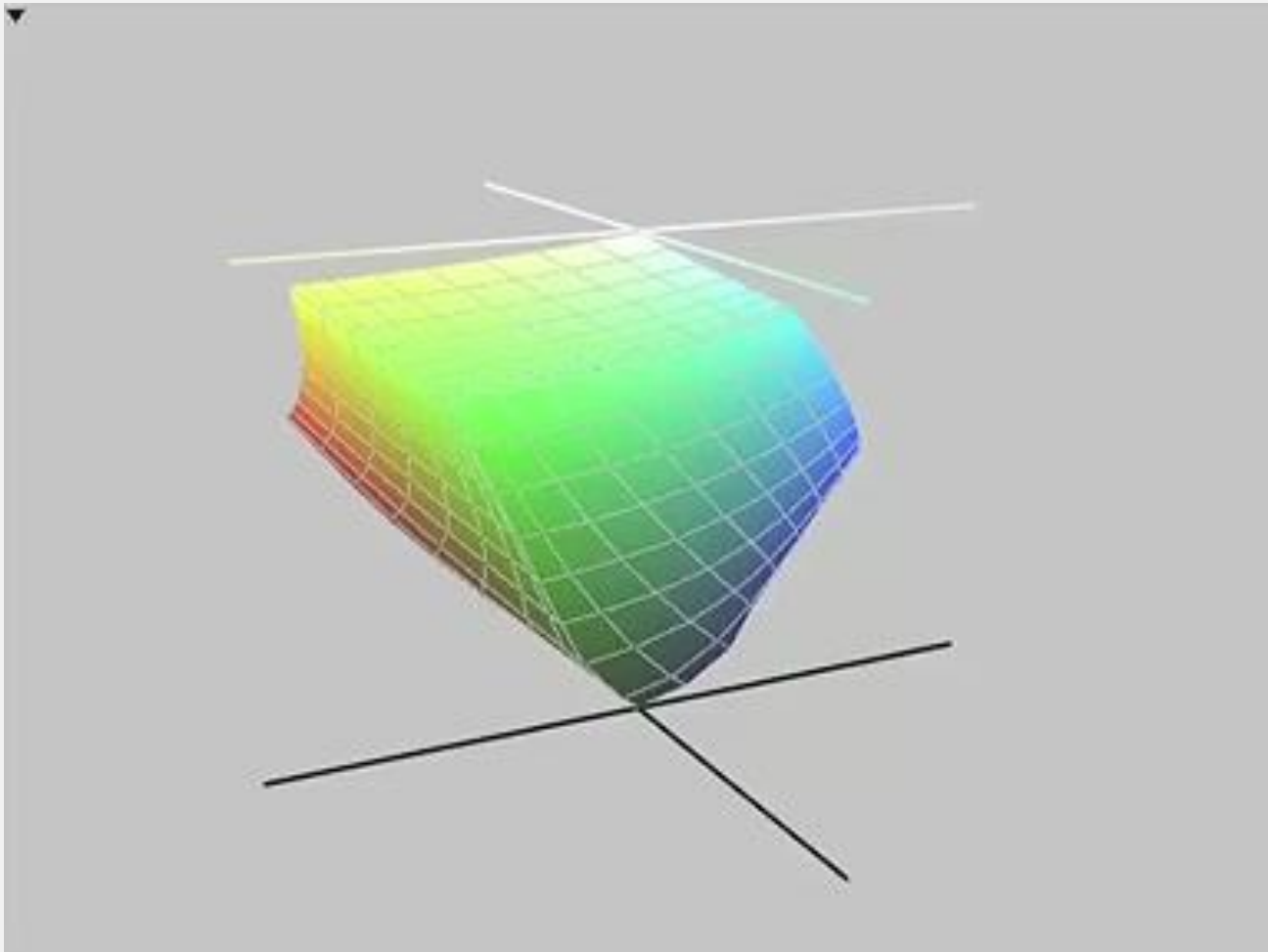
sRGB (color) gamut

Color Gamut Comparison



sRGB (color) vs Adobe RGB (wiregird) comparison

Color Gamut Comparison



sRGB (grid) vs CMYK(color) comparison

Color Gamut Output Comparison



$YC_B C_R$ Color space

- HVS (Human Visual System) is less sensitive to color than luminance.

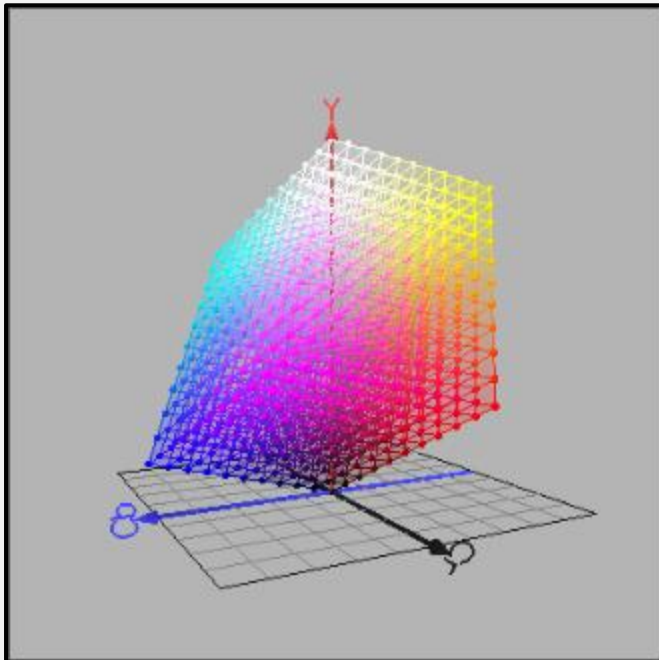
Luminance (Y)

Chrominance (C_B, C_R)

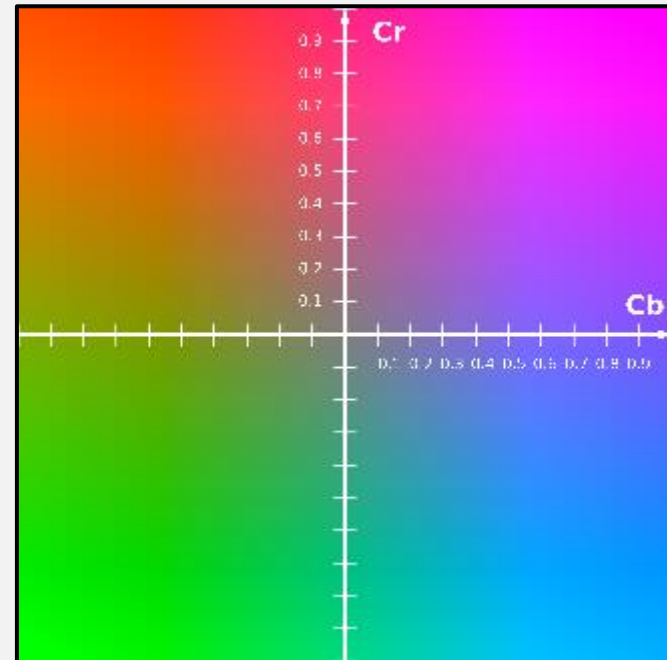
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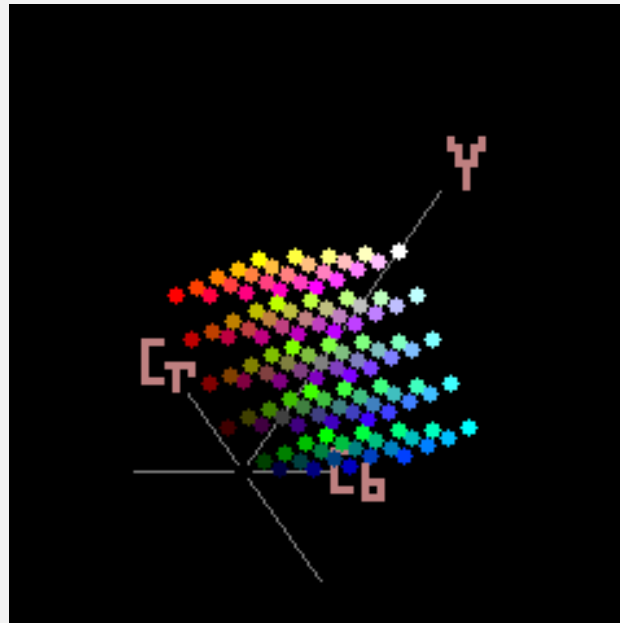


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YCbCr Color Space

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y \\ C_b \\ C_r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.299 & 0.587 & 0.114 \\ -0.147 & -0.289 & 0.436 \\ 0.615 & -0.515 & -0.100 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.000 & 0.000 & 1.140 \\ 1.000 & -0.395 & -0.581 \\ 1.000 & 2.032 & -0.000 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y \\ U \\ V \end{bmatrix}$$

YCbCr Color Space

$$Y = k_r R + K_g G + K_b B$$

$$C_r = R - Y$$

$$C_b = B - Y$$

$$C_g = G - Y$$

YCbCr Color Space

$$Y = 0.299R + 0.587G + 0.114B$$

$$C_b = 0.564(B - Y)$$

$$C_r = 0.713(R - Y)$$

YCbCr Color Space

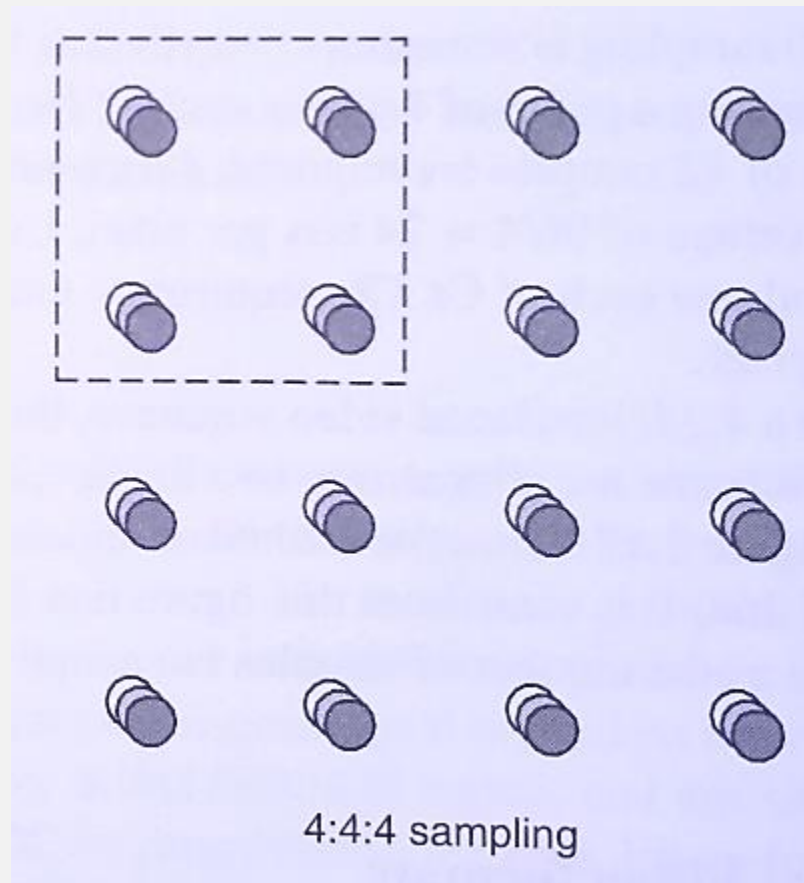
$$R = Y + 1.402C_r$$

$$G = Y - 0.344Cb - 0.714C_R$$

$$B = Y + 1.77Cb$$

YCBCR (4:4:4) Sampling

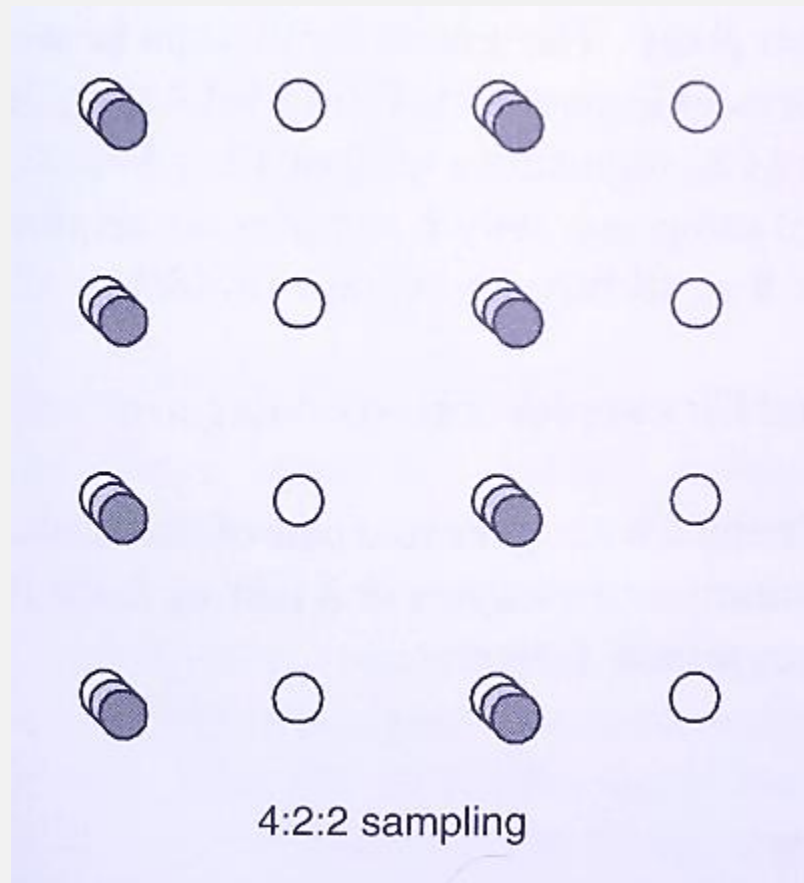
- For every Y sample there is one C_b and C_r samples



A small thumbnail image of a document page, likely a slide or a page from a presentation, showing text and a diagram.

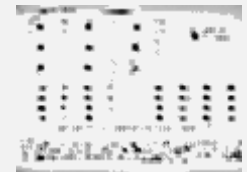
YCBCR (4:2:2) Sampling

- For every 4 Y samples there are 2 C_b and 2 C_r samples



YCBCR (4:2:0) Sampling

- For every 4 Y samples there are 1 C_b and 1 C_r samples



YCbCr Color Space

Image resolution: 720×576 pixels

Y (luma) resolution =

YCbCr Color Space

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Y (luma) resolution = 720×576 (each pixel 8 – bit)

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4:4:4 Cb, Cr resolution = 720×576 (each pixel 8 – bit)

Total = $720 \times 576 \times 8 \times 3 = 9953280$ bits

YCbCr Color Space

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4:4:4 Cb, Cr resolution = 720×576 (each pixel 8 – bit)

Total = $720 \times 576 \times 8 \times 3 = 9953280$ bits

4:2:0 Cb, Cr resolution = 360×288 (each pixel 8 – bit)

*Total = $(720 \times 576 \times 8 \times 1) + (360 \times 288 \times 8 \times 2)$
= 4976640 bits*

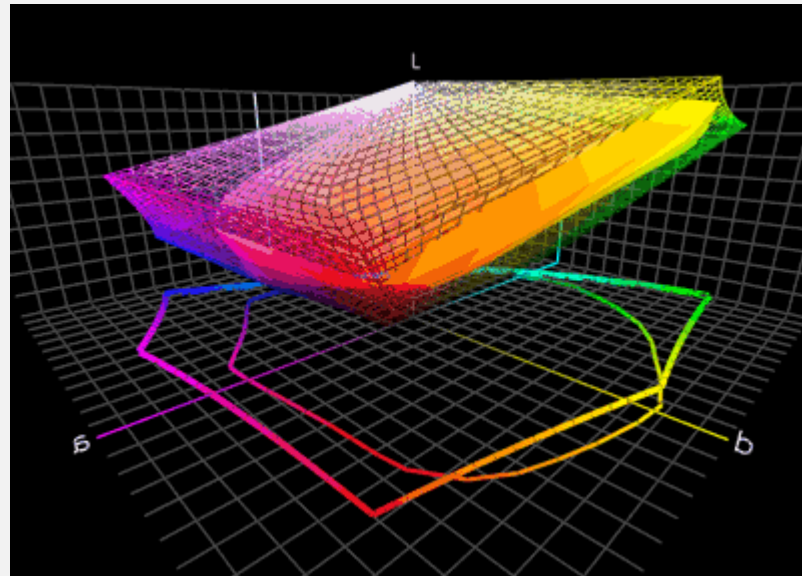
Color Profile

There are two kinds of color profiles:

- Image profiles: An image profile tells the hardware and software what color space the image is in.
- Device profiles: Device profiles use this information to reproduce the colors.

ICC's Color Profile

ICC profile is a standard (pre-defined) set of data that characterizes a color input or output device



A 3D view of two ICC profiles

Color Profile

Cameras

RGB

Display

RGB

Printers

CMYK



Color Profile

Color Engine

Cameras

RGB

Input profile

Display

RGB

Display profile

Printers

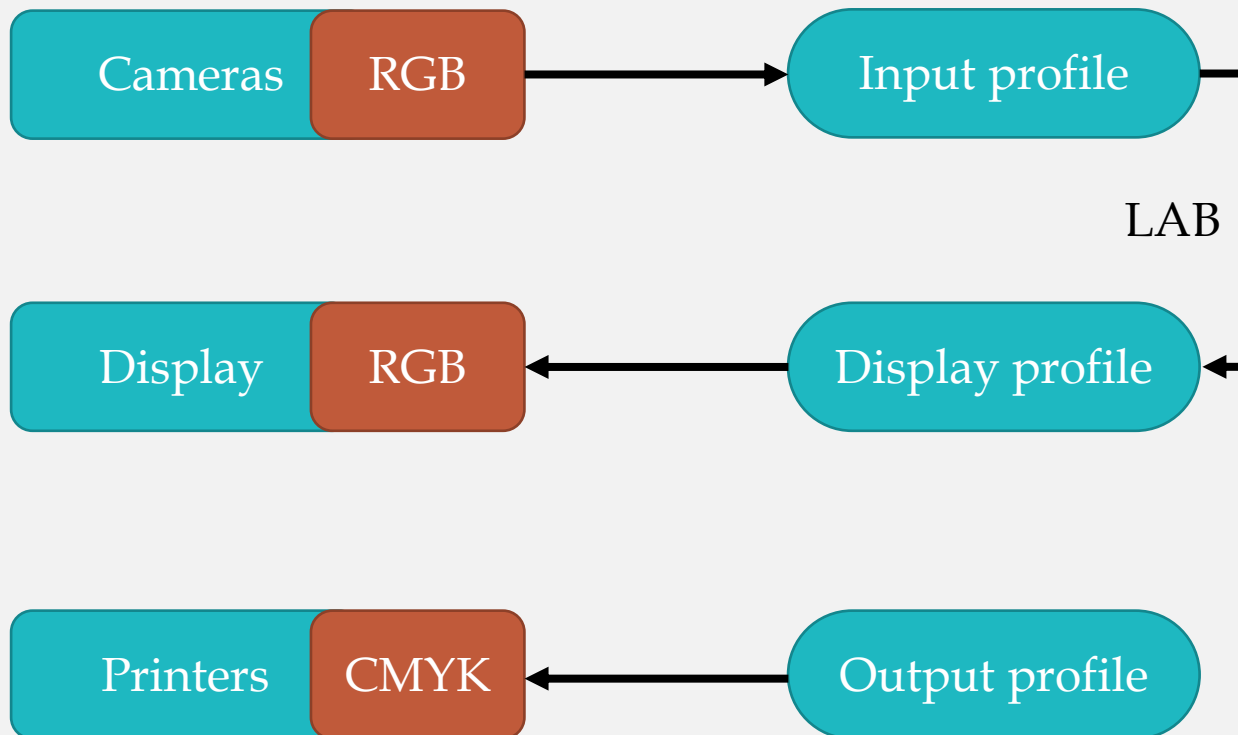
CMYK

Output profile



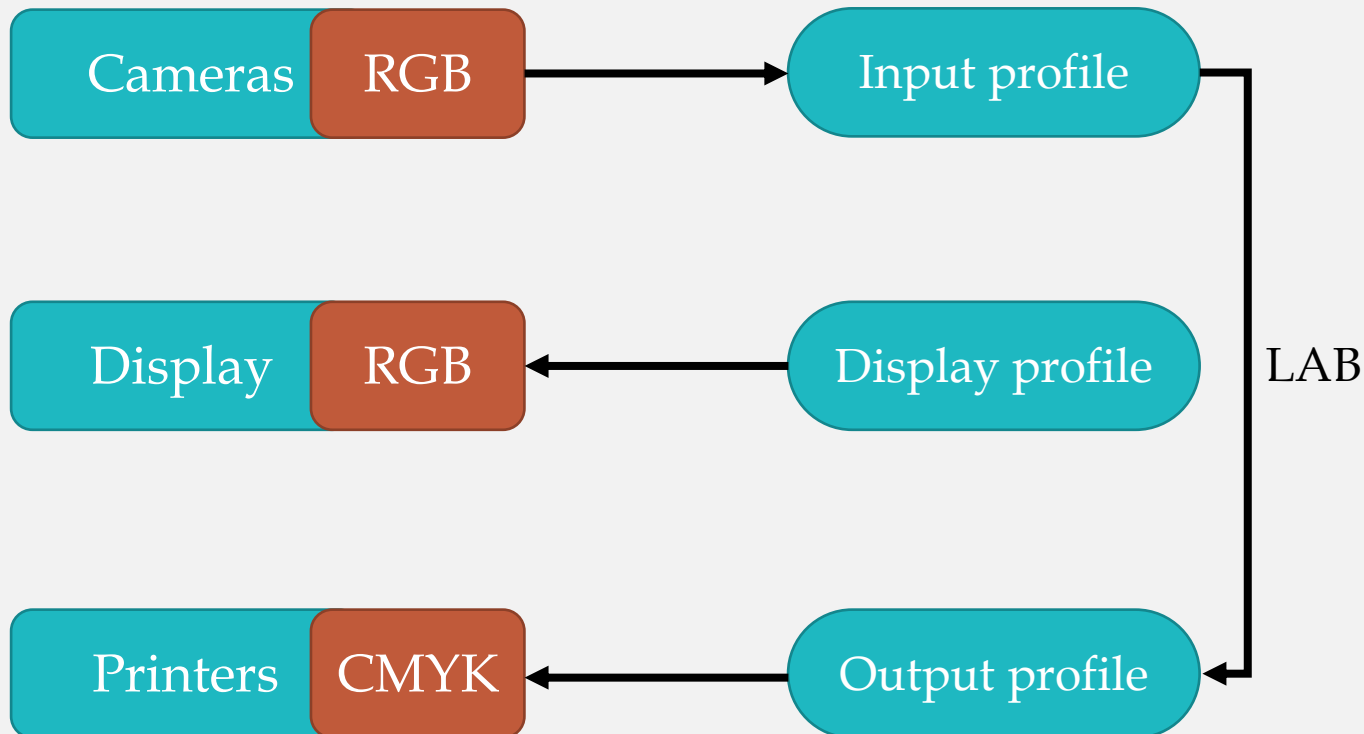
Color Profile

Color Engine



Color Profile

Color Engine



Questions ?



Thank you

