

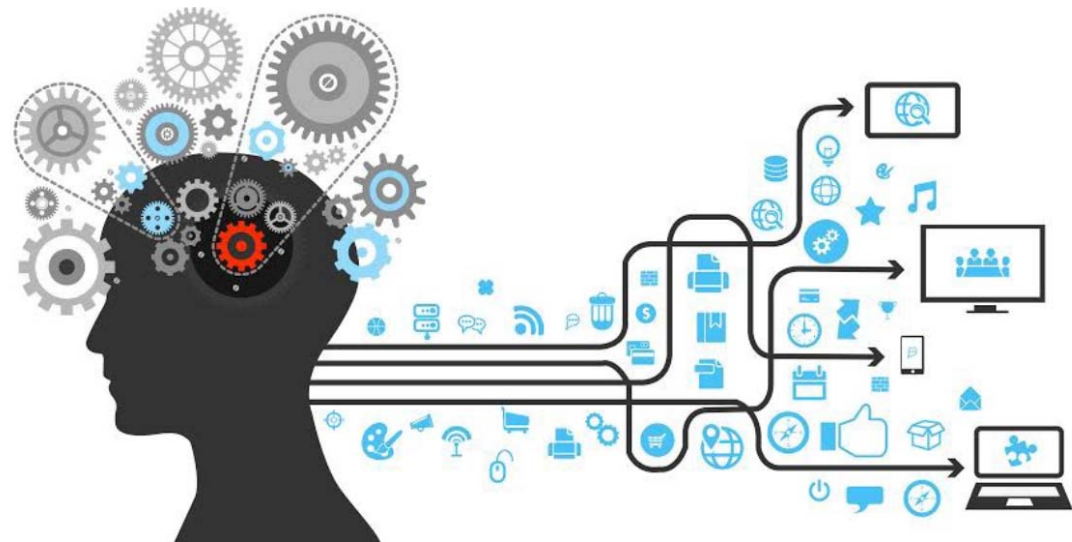
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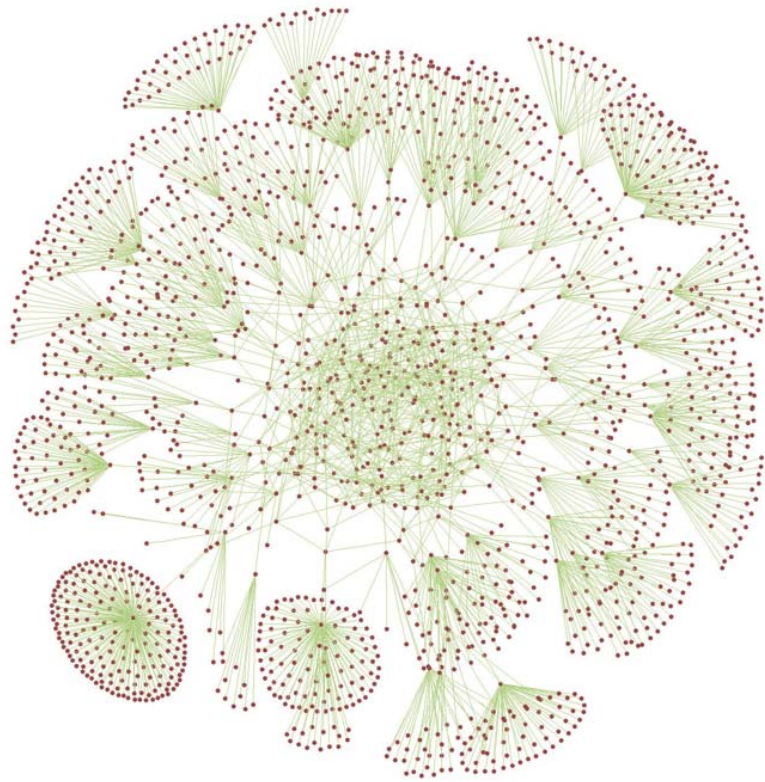
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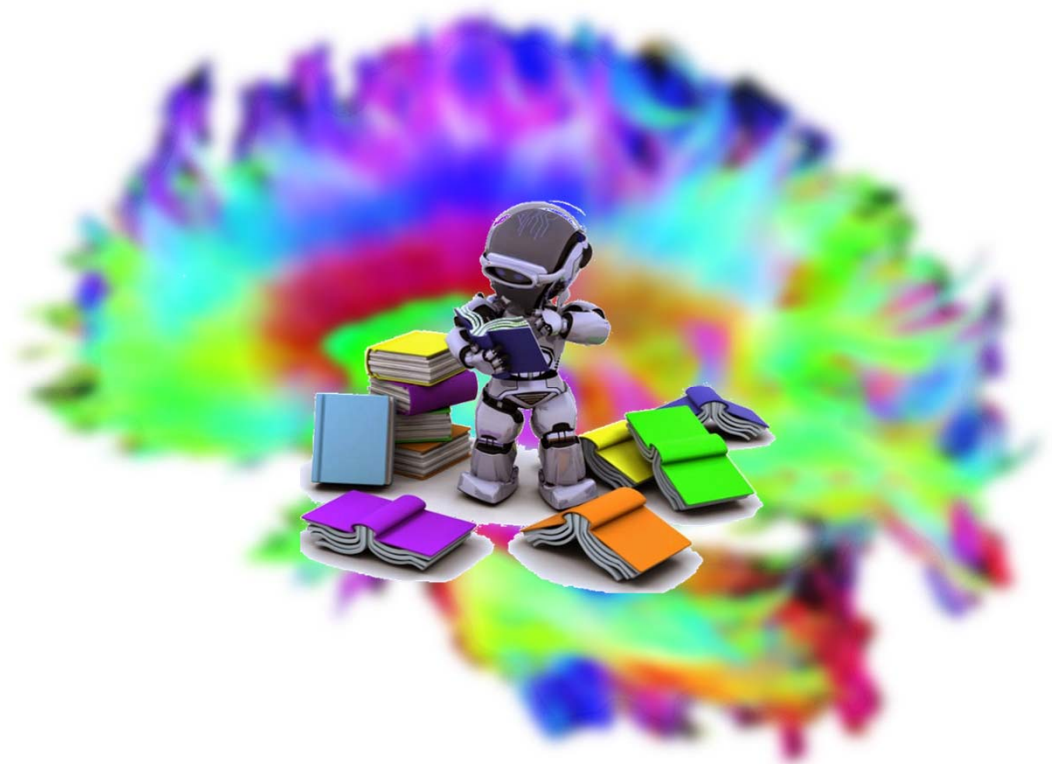
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Color



What is color?

- A perceptual attribute of objects constructed by the visual system
- A quantity related to the wavelength of light in the visible spectrum
- A significant industry with conferences, standards, bodies, etc.

Why is color important?

- In animal vision

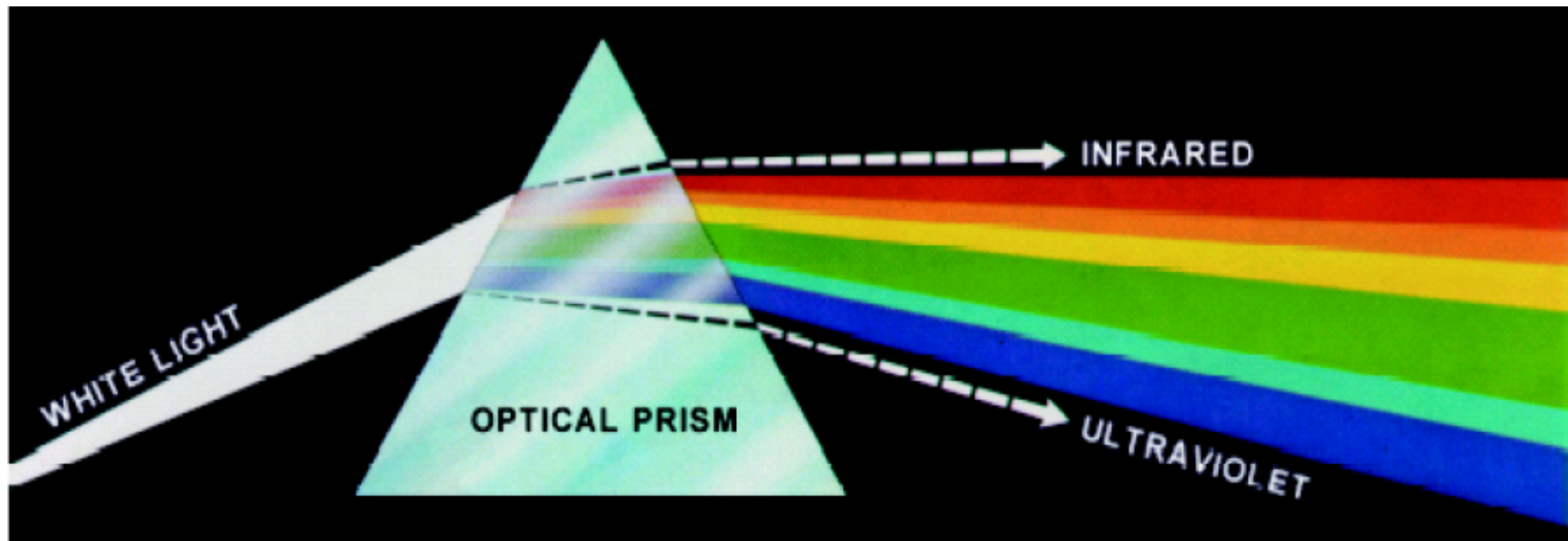
- Distinguish food from non-food
- Help identify predators and prey
- Check health, fitness, etc. of other individuals

- In computer vision

- Find a person's skin
- Segment pixel regions belonging to the same object

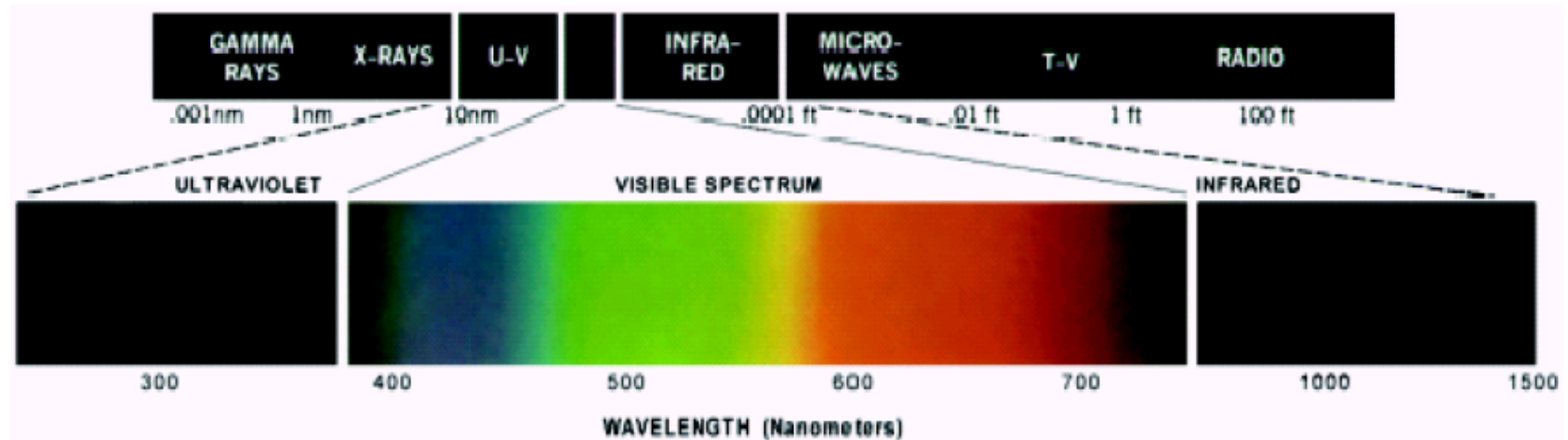
Color fundamentals

- A beam of sunlight
 - Not white
 - Consists of a continuous spectrum of colors



Color fundamentals

- Spectrum
 - The different colors in spectrum do not end abruptly
 - Each color blends smoothly into the next



Numeric color

- Importance of *numeric color*
 - Accurate color reproduction is commercially valuable
 - Many products are identified by color
 - Few color names are widely recognized by Korean speakers
 - Other languages have fewer or more
 - It's common to disagree on appropriate color names
 - Color reproduction problems increased by prevalence of digital imaging

Color spaces

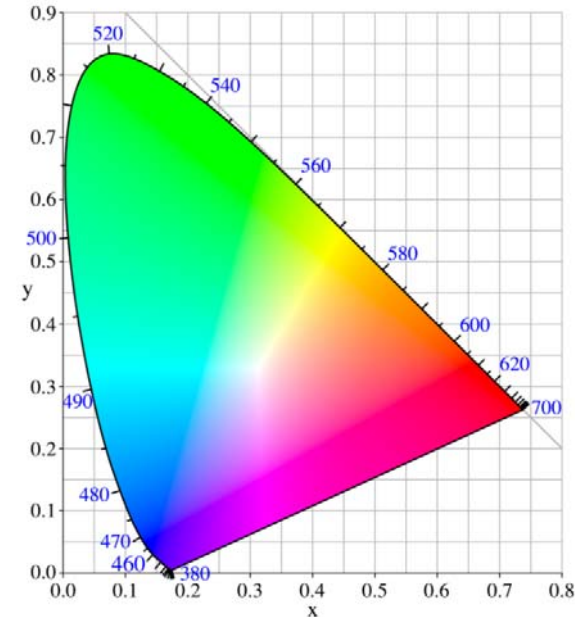
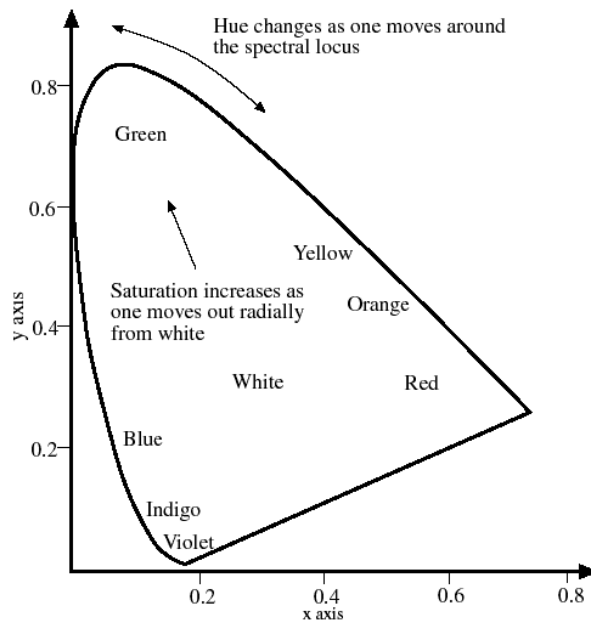
- Purpose of a color space
 - Facilitate the specification of color in some standard fashion
- Color space: ***3D coordinate system***
 - Use color matching functions to define a coordinate system for color
 - Each color is assigned to a triple of coordinates with respect to color spaces
 - Choice of primaries is equivalent to choice of color space

CIE color spaces

- Color is specified by its three trichromatic coefficients

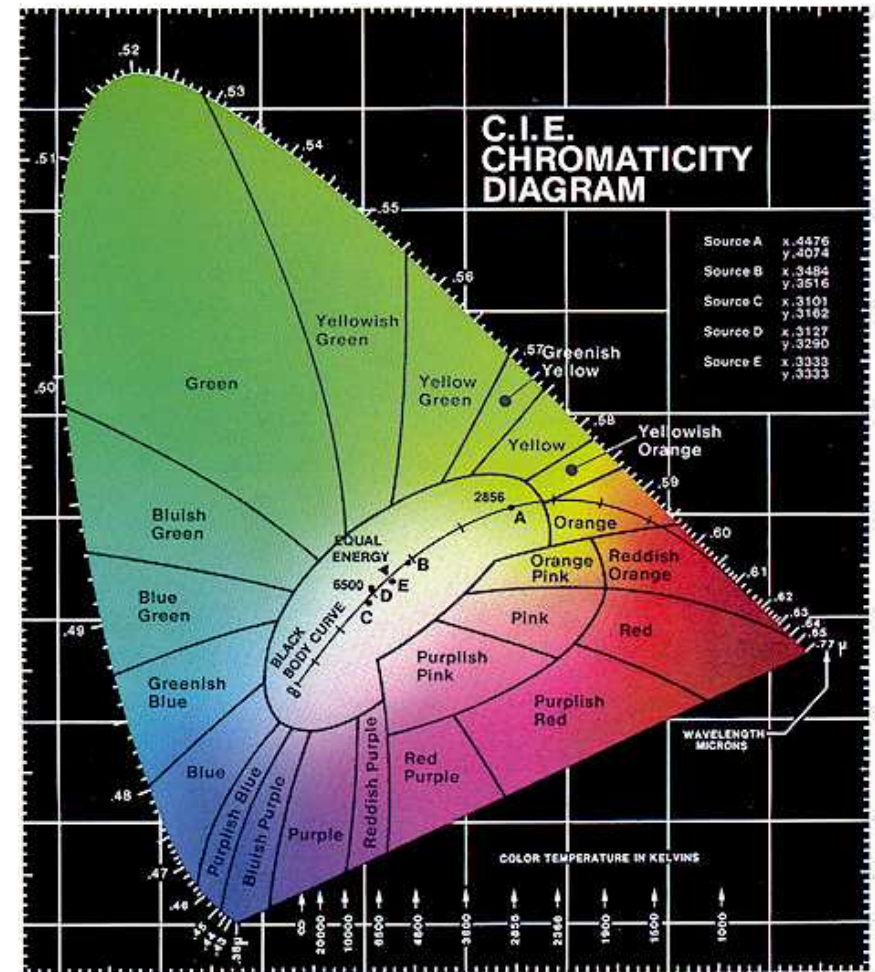
$$x = \frac{X}{X + Y + Z}, \quad y = \frac{Y}{X + Y + Z}, \quad z = \frac{Z}{X + Y + Z}$$

- $x + y + z = 1$ (i.e., $z = 1 - (x + y)$)



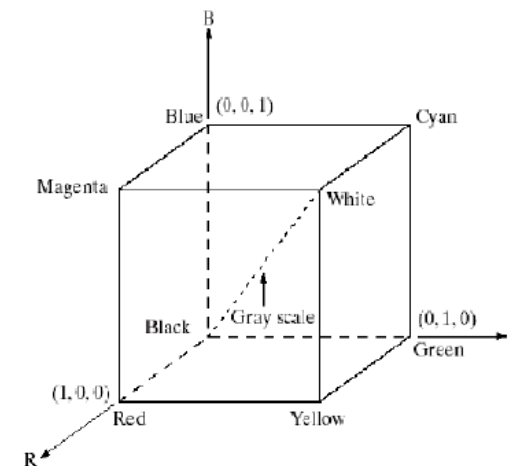
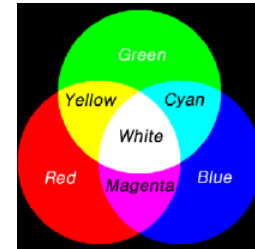
CIE color spaces

- CIE chromaticity diagram
 - Curved outer edge consists of single wavelength colors (completely saturated or “pure” colors)
 - Points inside this region represent some mixture of the pure colors
 - The point of equal energy corresponds to zero saturation



RGB color spaces

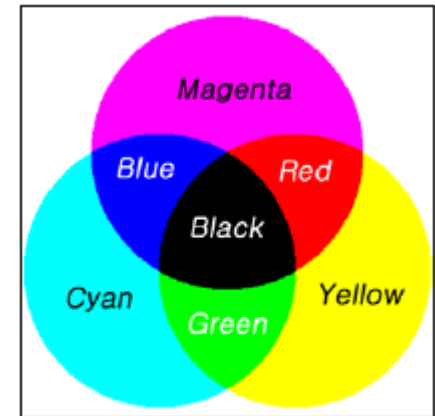
- Primaries are monochromatic energies with
 - Red (R: 645.2 nm), Green (G: 526.3 nm), Blue (B: 444.4 nm)
- Used mainly in color monitor and video camera
- Grayscale is represented by the diagonal joining black to white
- Additive color system
 - Colors are creased by adding components to black (0, 0, 0)



CMY color spaces

- Each color is represented by the 3 secondary color of light
 - Cyan (C), magenta (M), and yellow (Y)
- Mainly used in color printing devices that deposit color pigments

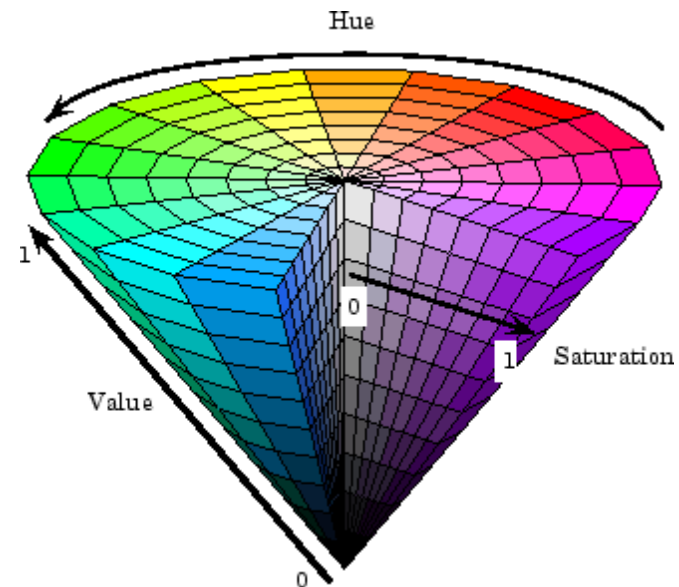
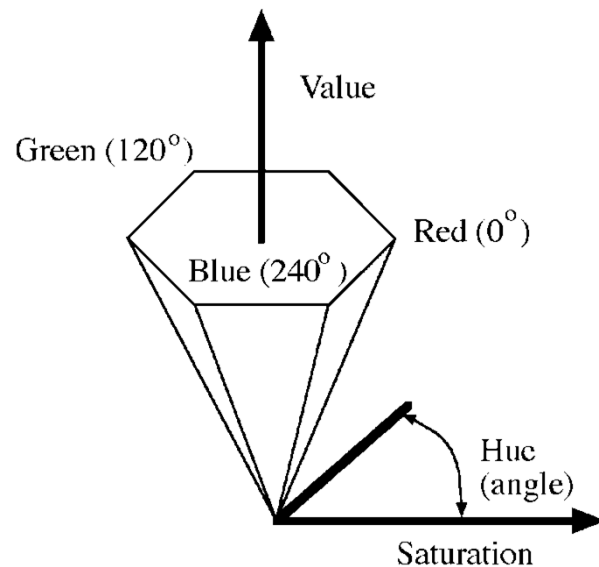
- Subtractive color system
 - It models printing on white paper and subtracts from white rather than adds to black as the RGB system does



- It is related to the RGB color space:
$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ M \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

HSV/HSI color spaces

- Each color is specified using
 - Hue (H), saturation (S), and value (V) or intensity (I)
 - Hue: Color attributes (an angle relative to the red-axis)
 - Saturation: The purity of the color or hue
 - Value or intensity: Embodies achromatic notion of brightness



HSV/HSI color spaces

■ Advantages

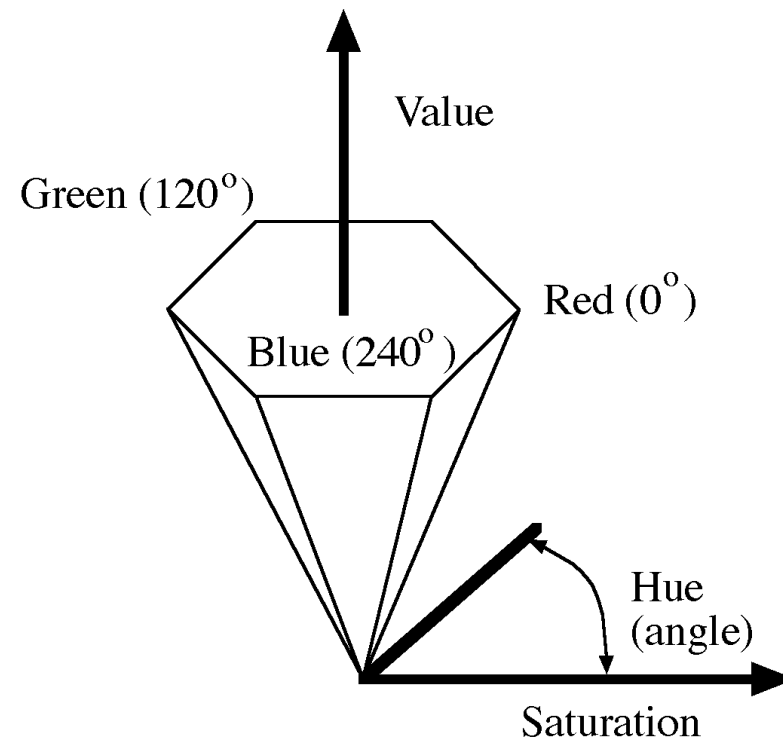
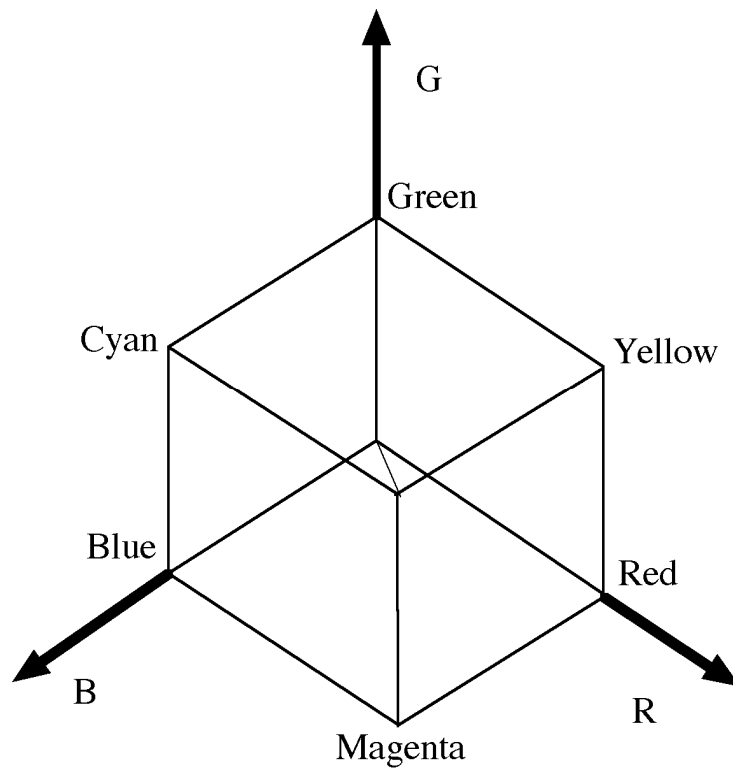
- Chrominance (H, S) and luminance components are decoupled (separate color and grayscale information)
- Hue and saturation is intimately related to the way the human visual system perceives color

■ RGB & HSV

- RGB model is suited for image color generation
- HSV model is suited for image color perception

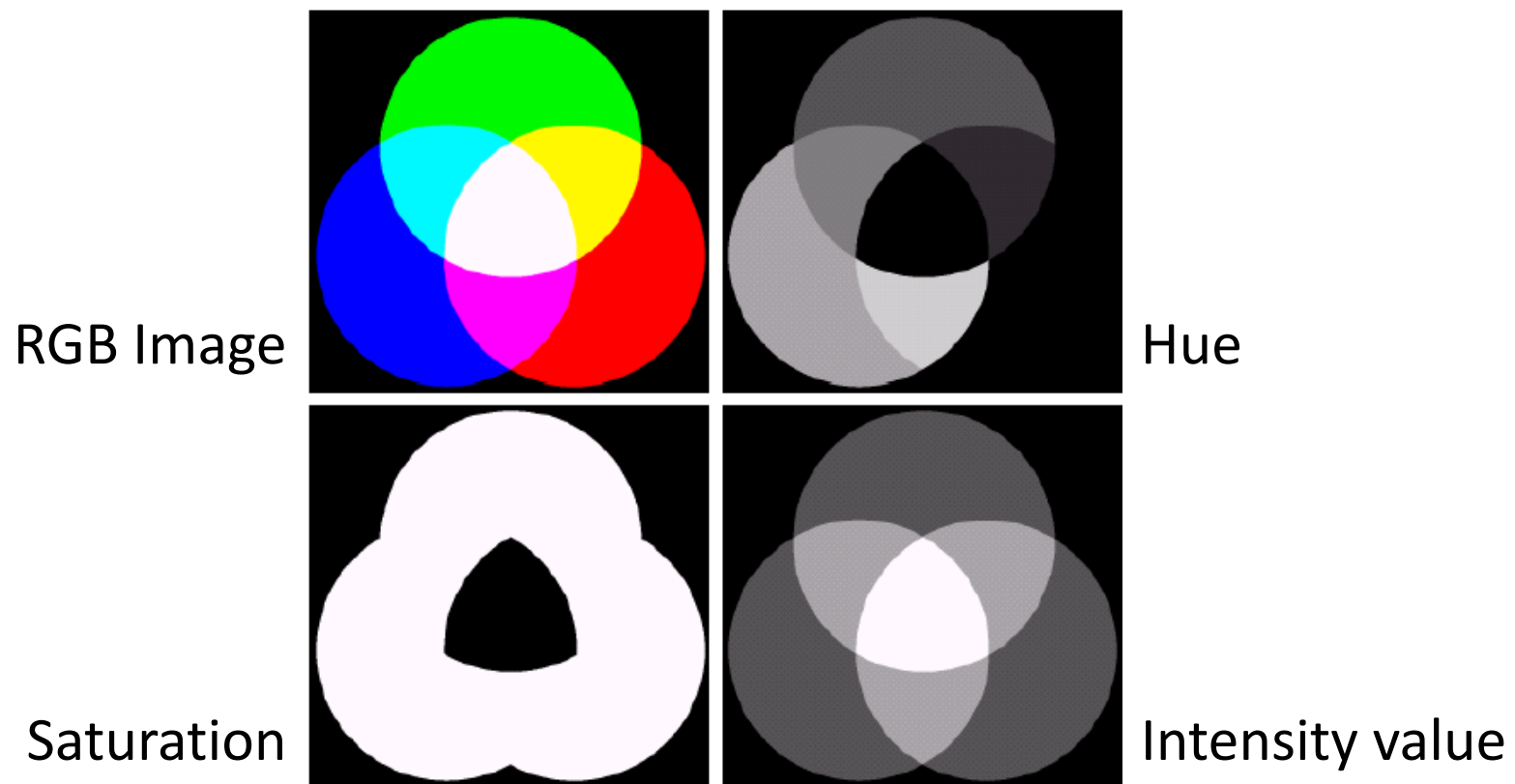
HSV/HSI color spaces

- HSV hexacone



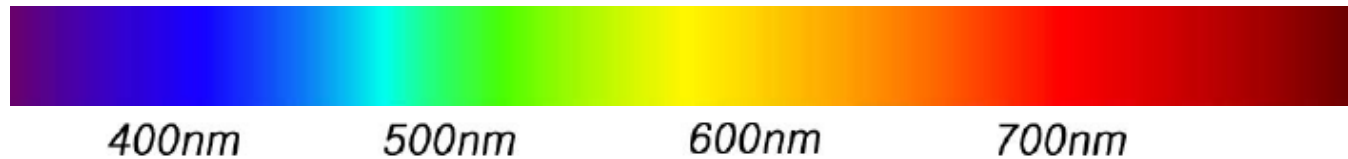
HSV/HSI color spaces

- RGB image and the components of its corresponding HSV image



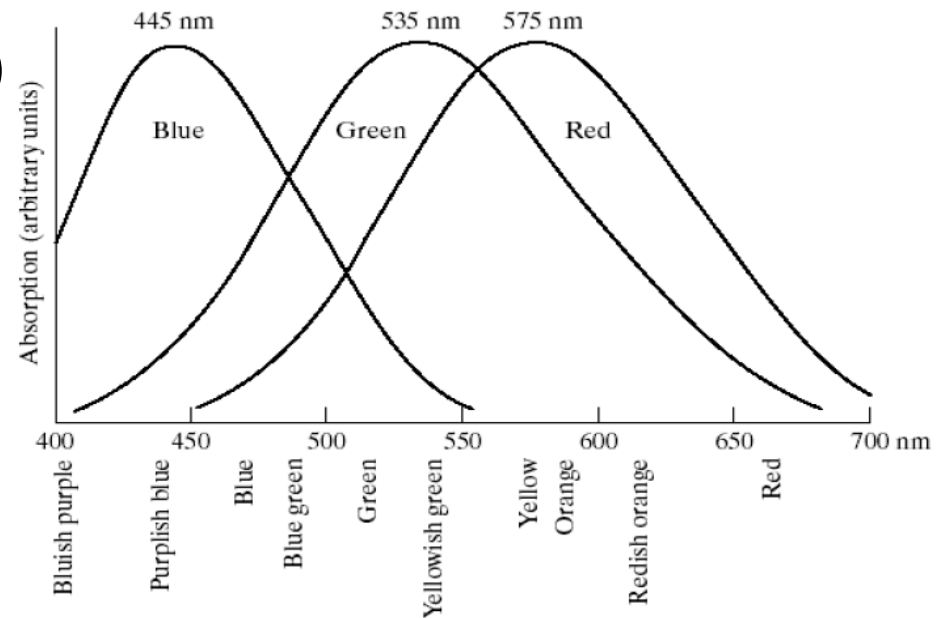
Human color perception: Photoreceptors

- Visible range of human eye: $350 \text{ nm} < \text{wavelength} < 780 \text{ nm}$



- Photoreceptors

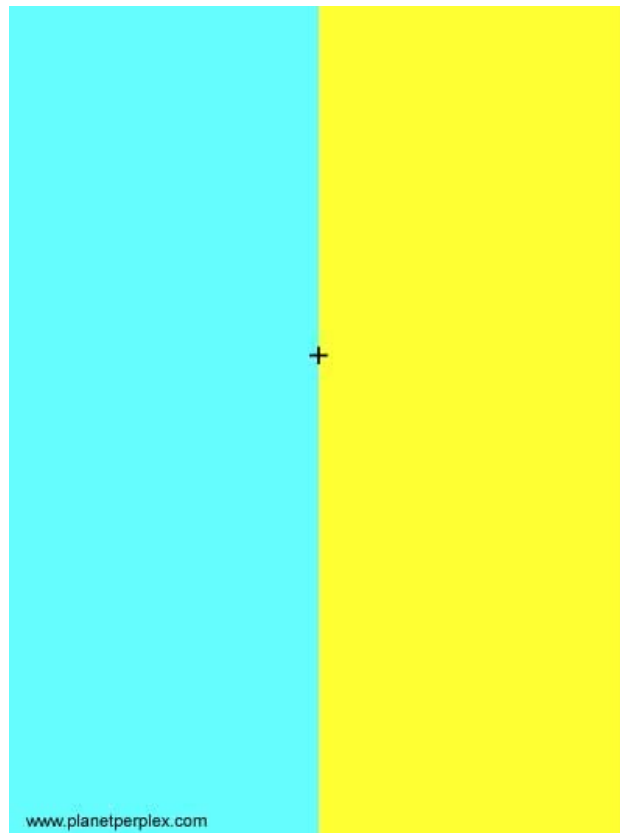
- Rods: 250 ~ 100 millions (luminance)
- Cones: 6~7 millions (color vision)
 - Red sensitive cones: 65 %
 - Green sensitive cones: 33 %
 - Blue sensitive cones: 2 %



Absorption of light by the red, green, and blue cones in the human eye as a function of wavelength

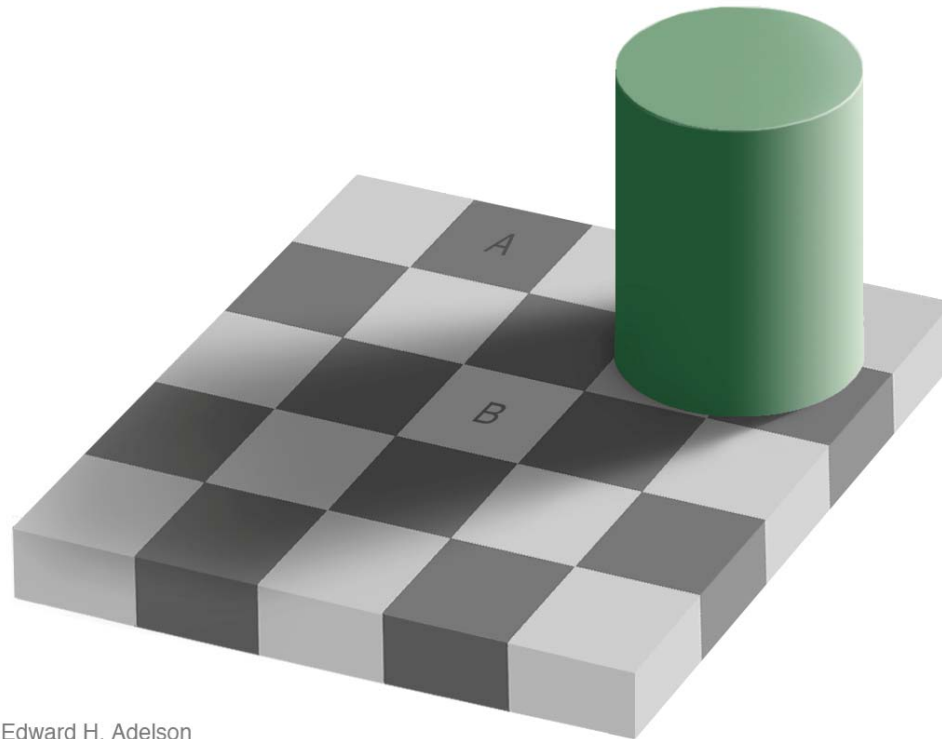
Color perception: Adaptation

- Chromatic adaptation
 - If the visual system is exposed to a certain illuminant for a while, color system starts to adapt and skew



Color perception: Adaptation

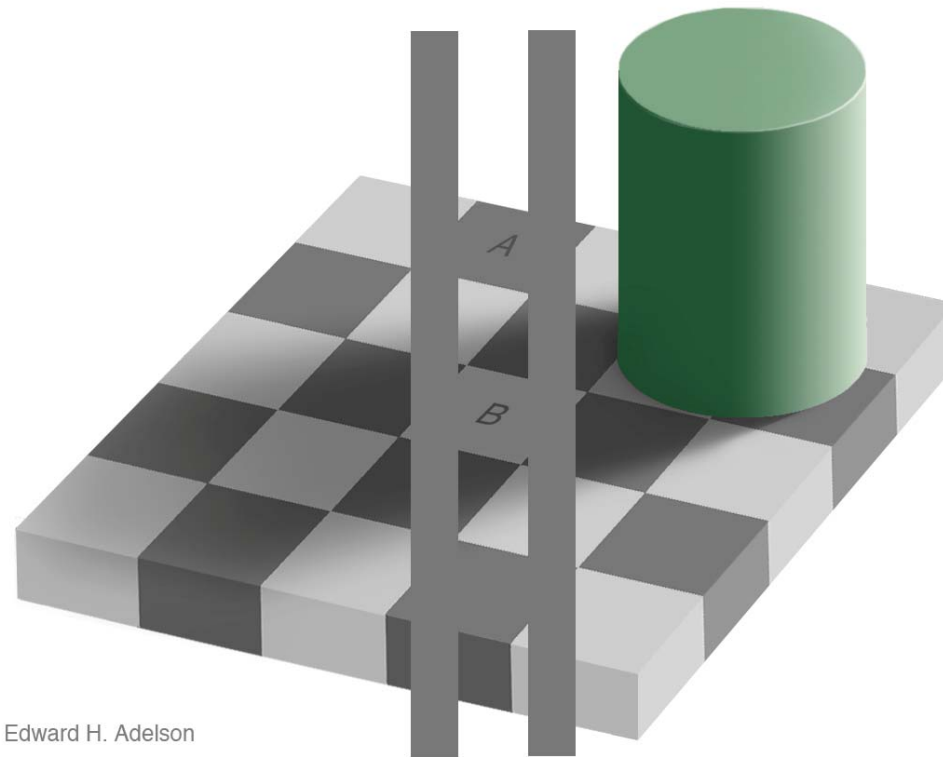
- Brightness perception



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Color perception: Adaptation

- Brightness perception



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A and B have the same color