Color! Main Goals:

Understand this thing: "Chromaticity diagram"



 Given a spectrum, how to predict what color the spectrum will seem to you

Visible Spectrum



From Wikipedia, "Visible Spectrum"

■ "All the colors of the rainbow..." → Where is brown?? Where is pink?? Where is turquoise??

Cone cells



"Short""Medium"

"Long"

From Wikipedia, "Color Vision"

Color blindness



From Wikipedia, "Ishihara test"

- tritanopia lacks S cones, <1% of males and females
- tritanomaly S cones mutated, ~0.01% of males and females
- deuteranopia lacks M cones, ~1% of males
- deuteranomaly M cones mutated, standard "red-green color blindness", ~5% of European males; far fewer females
- protanopia lacks L cones, ~1% of males
- protanomaly L cones mutated, ~3% of European males, far fewer females
- achromatopsia total color blindness, 0.003% of males and females

Primary Colors



From Wikipedia, "RGB Color Model"



Cone cell response, again

- How the primary song *should* go
- "Additive color mixing"
- (Pigments: "subtractive color mixing")

Components of R, G, B: Plot in 3D "color space"



From Wikipedia, "RGB Color Model" (old version)

Viewing slices of the cube: <u>https://programmingdesignsystems.com/color/color-models-and-color-spaces/index.html</u>



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How to Display Colors



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From Wikipedia, "Primary Color"

1920's Color Matching Experiments

Using combinations of these three:

- Narrow red source at 700 nm
- Narrow green source at 546.1 nm
- Narrow blue source at 435.8 nm

How much of each is required to match the wavelengths in the visible spectrum ("pure colors")?



Cone cell response, again





- Say you want to mix the dashed lines to look the same as 580 nm orange line.
 - You may start by turning up the red light. But soon you also need to turn up the green light. However...
 - \rightarrow Green light will excite some S! (a small amount, but nonzero)
 - \rightarrow 580 nm alone will never excite S! Therefore <u>580 nm cannot be matched</u>.
 - \rightarrow You need some "negative blue" to counteract

Results: \overline{r} , \overline{g} , \overline{b} functions

red source = 700 nm green source = 546.1 nm blue source at 435.8 nm



\overline{x} , \overline{y} , \overline{z} functions vs. \overline{r} , \overline{g} , \overline{b} functions



(Very Important, but not in Peatross & Ware)

- all are positive
- \overline{z} = close to S cones, close to \overline{b}
- \overline{y} = matches intensity response of eye, close to M cones
- \overline{x} = chosen so that white is equal parts of all three





Projections

Given a spectrum I(λ), how much \overline{x} , \overline{y} , and \overline{z} does it have?

$$X = \int I(\lambda) \overline{\mathbf{x}}(\lambda) d\lambda$$
$$Y = \int I(\lambda) \overline{\mathbf{y}}(\lambda) d\lambda$$
$$Z = \int I(\lambda) \overline{\mathbf{z}}(\lambda) d\lambda$$



Example from homework (P2.13 part b)



Calculate the areas: X, Y, Z \rightarrow Then normalize so they add up to 1 (call them x, y, z)







Side Note: Linear Transformations of Projection coordinates (X,Y,Z) and (R,G,B)





Worked Example



Normalize so they add up to 1 ("color" should not depend on overall intensity)

- X =
- y =

$$z = 1 - x - y =$$

Another Worked Example

What is (x,y) for a delta function at 560 nm?



Do that for every wavelength \rightarrow the "locus" curve

Chromaticity Diagram



Things to observe

- The locus curve Example: 560 nm = (0.38, 0.62)
- The white point = (0.33, 0.33)
 - "Line of purples"

Linear effects

- Color mixing along line connecting two points
- "Complementary colors": can mix to get white

Chromaticity Diagram



Hue

a. Draw the line connecting the white point to P, what λ does it hit? (Example: 593 nm)

Saturation

a. How far along that line is the point? (Example: 65%)

Brightness

a. Overall intensity, Not on this diagram

Remember this?



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sRGB: three specific color sources



Review (end of class 1?)

- Three types of cones responsive to three different wavelength ranges (short, medium, long, aka SML)
- Three dimensional color space (RGB)
- Color matching experiments produced \overline{r} , \overline{g} , \overline{b} "color matching functions"
- Alternate set developed with better properties, \overline{X} , \overline{Y} , \overline{Z}
- X,Y,Z are the projections of a given spectrum on to the $\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z}$ functions
- x,y,z are the normalized X,Y,Z values
- x,y are the chromaticity coordinates (z is superfluous), can be plotted on the chromaticity diagram
- Colors on the chromaticity diagram combine linearly
- Actual RGB sources fall on the chromaticity diagram, their enclosed triangle is the gamut of possible colors they can display

What's the Color of Blackbody Radiation?



From Wikipedia "Color Temperature"



Complementary colors



- What is the hue of this point P?
- Complementary color, λ_C



xyY

Reminder: what was Y?



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$XYZ \leftrightarrow xyY$ Transformations (Nonlinear)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{X}{X+Y+Z} \\ \frac{Y}{X+Y+Z} \\ \frac{Y}{Y} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{y} \\ Y \\ \frac{1}{x-y} \\ \frac{1-x-y}{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

"Hue, brightness, saturation"

- Hue use RGB values to turn locus into a hexagon, then written as 0 to 360°
- Saturation called "chroma", as before
- Brightness from Y, scaled as 0 to 1



Fig. 9. Both hue and chroma are defined based on [□] the projection of the RGB cube onto a hexagon in the "chromaticity plane". Chroma is the relative size of the hexagon passing through a point, and hue is how far around that hexagon's edge the point lies.

From Wikipedia "HSL and HSV"



Adobe RGB



- Better than sRGB?
- Only if your camera/display/ printer are all calibrated for it
- Not for use on internet
- Also: there's a wider range of possible colors, but the difference between individual colors is bigger than in sRGB (still 256×256×256)

From Wikipedia, "Adobe RGB color space"

ProPhoto RGB



"One of the downsides to this color space is that approximately 13% of the representable colors are imaginary colors that do not exist and are not visible colors."

From Wikipedia, "ProPhoto RGB color space" Summary: Many Ways to Specify Color R,G,B (original color matching functions) X,Y,Z x,y,Y hue, saturation, Y \rightarrow Complementary hue if needed hue, brightness, saturation sRGB R,G,B coordinates (if in sRGB color space) R,G,B coordinates of other color spaces

That's All, Folks