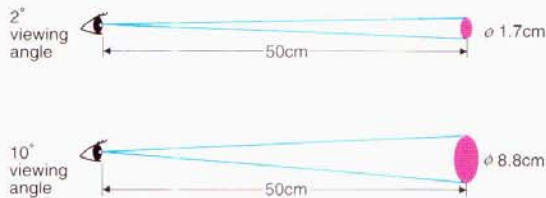


## 2° Standard Observer and 10° Supplementary Standard Observer

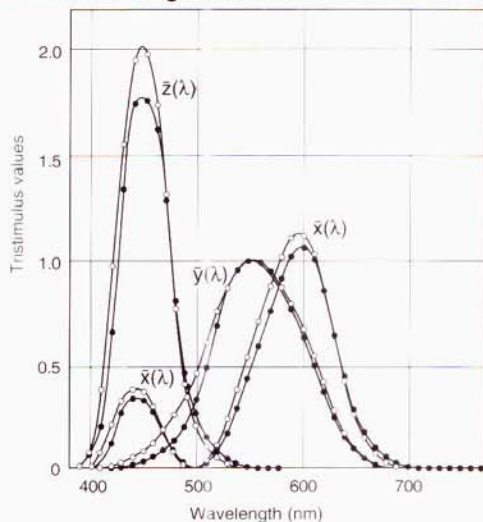
The color sensitivity of the eye changes according to the angle of view (object size). The CIE originally defined the standard observer in 1931 using a 2° field of view, hence the name 2° Standard Observer. In 1964, the CIE defined an additional standard observer, this time based upon a 10° field of view; this is referred to as the 10° Supplementary Standard Observer. To give an idea of what a 2° field of view is like compared to a 10° field of view, at a viewing distance of 50cm a 2° field of view would be a  $\phi 1.7\text{cm}$  circle while a 10° field of view at the same distance would be a  $\phi 8.8\text{cm}$  circle. Most of the information in this booklet is based on the 2° Standard Observer. The 2° Standard Observer should be used for viewing angles of 1° to 4°; the 10° Supplementary Standard Observer should be used for viewing angles of more than 4°.



## Color-Matching Functions

The color-matching functions are the tristimulus values of the equal-energy spectrum as a function of wavelength. These functions are intended to correspond to the sensitivity of the human eye. Separate sets of three color-matching functions are specified for the 2° Standard Observer and 10° Supplementary Standard Observer.

Color-matching functions



● 2° Standard Observer  
○ 10° Supplementary Standard Observer

## XYZ Tristimulus Values (CIE 1931)

Tristimulus values determined based on the color-matching functions  $\bar{x}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{y}(\lambda)$ , and  $\bar{z}(\lambda)$  defined in 1931 by CIE; also referred to as 2° XYZ tristimulus values. They are suitable for a viewing angle of 4° or less and are defined for reflecting objects by the following formulas:

$$X = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{x}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$Y = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{y}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$Z = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{z}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$K = \frac{100}{\int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{y}(\lambda) d\lambda}$$

where

$S(\lambda)$ : Relative spectral power distribution of the illuminant

$\bar{x}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{y}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{z}(\lambda)$ : Color-matching functions for CIE 2° Standard Observer (1931)

$R(\lambda)$ : Spectral reflectance of specimen

## X<sub>10</sub> Y<sub>10</sub> Z<sub>10</sub> Tristimulus Values (CIE 1964)

Tristimulus values determined based on the color-matching functions  $\bar{x}_{10}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{y}_{10}(\lambda)$ , and  $\bar{z}_{10}(\lambda)$  defined in 1964 by CIE; also referred to as 10° XYZ tristimulus values. They are suitable for a viewing angle of more than 4° and are defined for reflecting objects by the following formulas:

$$X_{10} = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{x}_{10}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$Y_{10} = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{y}_{10}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$Z_{10} = K \int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{z}_{10}(\lambda) R(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$K = \frac{100}{\int_{380}^{780} S(\lambda) \bar{y}_{10}(\lambda) d\lambda}$$

where

$S(\lambda)$ : Relative spectral power distribution of the illuminant

$\bar{x}_{10}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{y}_{10}(\lambda)$ ,  $\bar{z}_{10}(\lambda)$ : Color-matching functions for CIE 10° Supplementary Standard Observer (1964)

$R(\lambda)$ : Spectral reflectance of specimen



## xyz Chromaticity Coordinates

The xyz chromaticity coordinates are calculated from the XYZ tristimulus values according to the following formulas:

$$x = \frac{X}{X + Y + Z}$$

$$y = \frac{Y}{X + Y + Z}$$

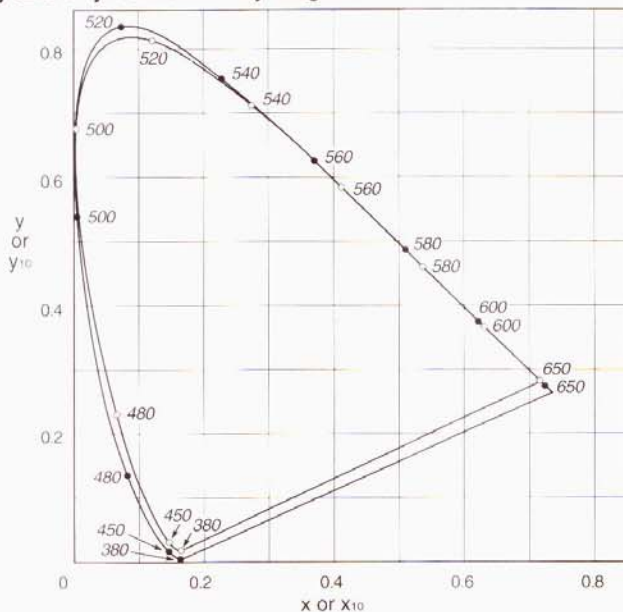
$$z = \frac{Z}{X + Y + Z} = 1 - x - y$$

If the above formulas are used with the  $X_{10}$   $Y_{10}$   $Z_{10}$  tristimulus values, the chromaticity coordinates would be  $x_{10}$   $y_{10}$   $z_{10}$ .

## xy and $x_{10}$ $y_{10}$ Chromaticity Diagram

Two-dimension diagram on which the xy or  $x_{10}$   $y_{10}$  chromaticity coordinates can be plotted.

xy and  $x_{10}$   $y_{10}$  chromaticity diagram



- For 2° Standard Observer (CIE 1931)
- For 10° Supplementary Standard Observer (CIE 1964)

## L\*a\*b\* Color Space

The L\*a\*b\* color space (also referred to as the CIELAB space) is one of the uniform color spaces defined by the CIE in 1976. The values of L\*, a\*, and b\* are calculated according to the formulas below:

Lightness variable L\*:

$$L^* = 116 \left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right)^{1/3} - 16$$

Chromaticity coordinates a\* and b\*:

$$a^* = 500 \left[ \left( \frac{X}{X_n} \right)^{1/3} - \left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right)^{1/3} \right]$$

$$b^* = 200 \left[ \left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right)^{1/3} - \left( \frac{Z}{Z_n} \right)^{1/3} \right]$$

where

X, Y, Z: Tristimulus values XYZ (for 2° Standard Observer) or  $X_{10}$   $Y_{10}$   $Z_{10}$  (for 10° Supplementary Standard Observer) of the specimen

$X_n$ ,  $Y_n$ ,  $Z_n$ : Tristimulus values XYZ (for 2° Standard Observer) or  $X_{10}$   $Y_{10}$   $Z_{10}$  (for 10° Supplementary Standard Observer) of a perfect reflecting diffuser.

If  $X/X_n$ ,  $Y/Y_n$ , or  $Z/Z_n$  is less than 0.008856, the above equations are changed as described below:

$$\left( \frac{X}{X_n} \right)^{1/3} \text{ is replaced by } 7.787 \left( \frac{X}{X_n} \right) + \frac{16}{116}$$

$$\left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right)^{1/3} \text{ is replaced by } 7.787 \left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right) + \frac{16}{116}$$

$$\left( \frac{Z}{Z_n} \right)^{1/3} \text{ is replaced by } 7.787 \left( \frac{Z}{Z_n} \right) + \frac{16}{116}$$

Color difference  $\Delta E^*_{ab}$  in the L\*a\*b\* color space, which indicates the degree of color difference but not the direction, is defined by the following equation:

$$\Delta E^*_{ab} = \sqrt{(\Delta L^*)^2 + (\Delta a^*)^2 + (\Delta b^*)^2}$$

where

$\Delta L^*$ ,  $\Delta a^*$ ,  $\Delta b^*$ : Difference in L\*, a\*, and b\* values between the specimen color and the target color.