

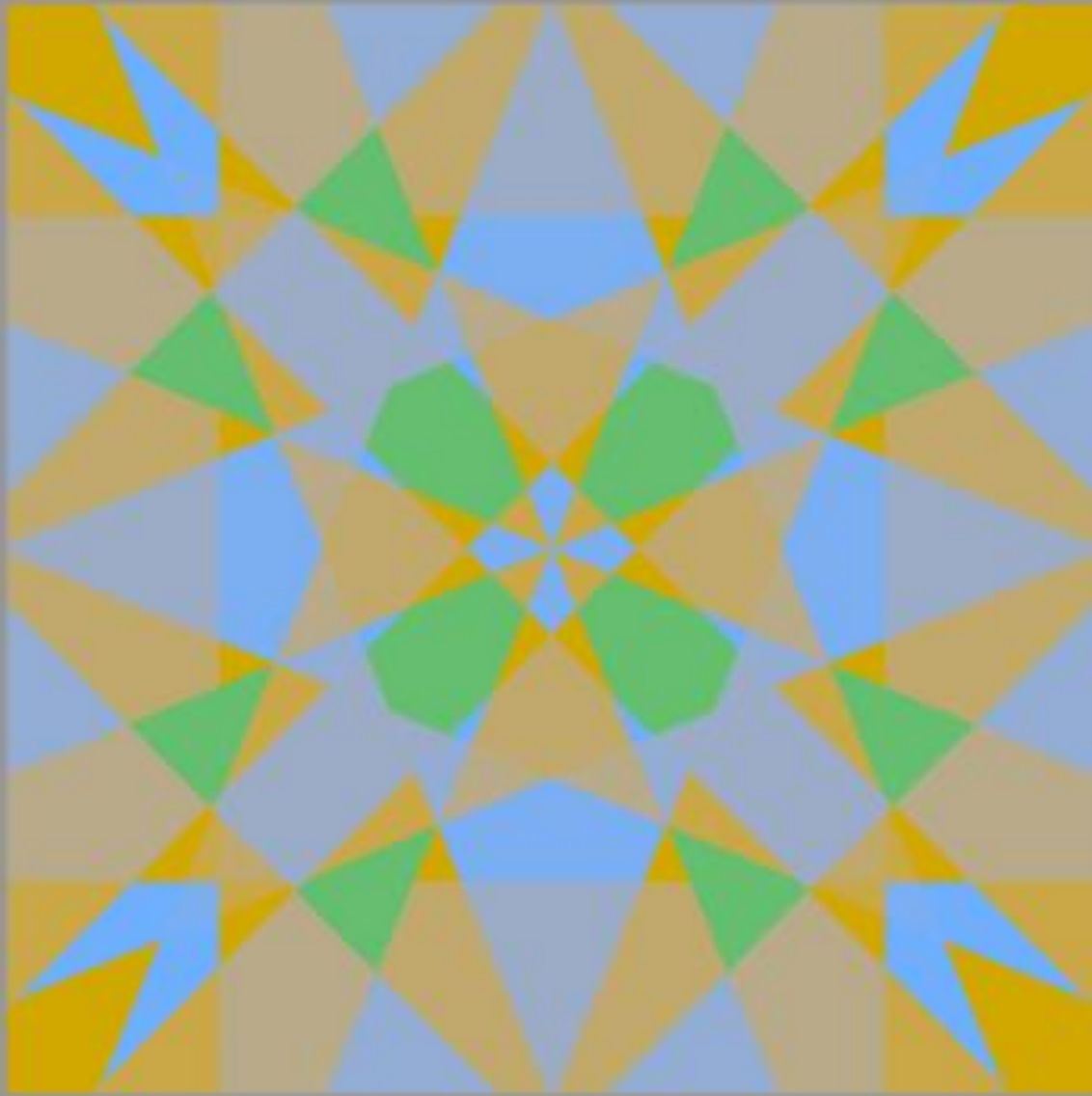
# Retargeting Color Content: Color Issues in Tone Mapping

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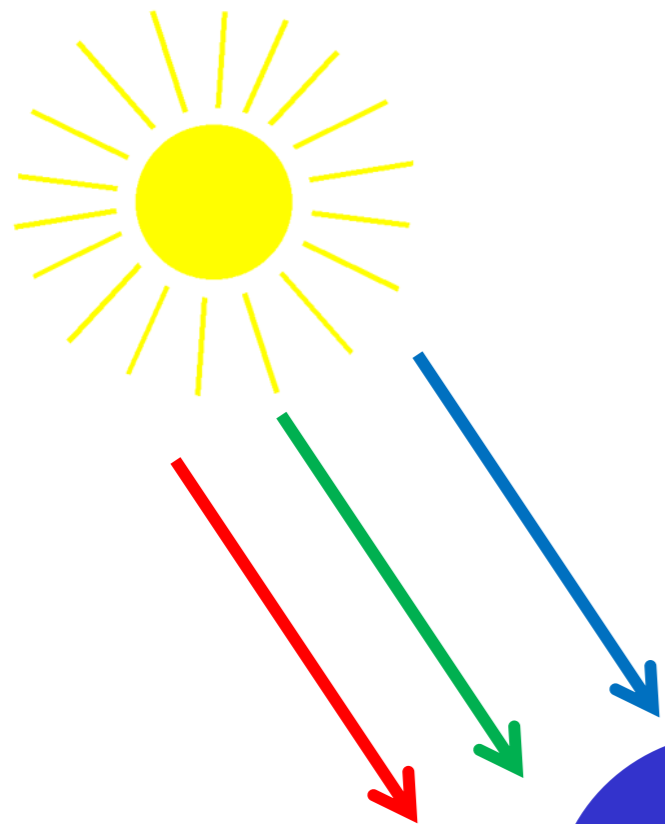


# Introduction to Color



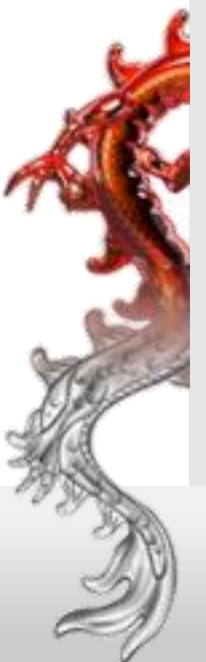
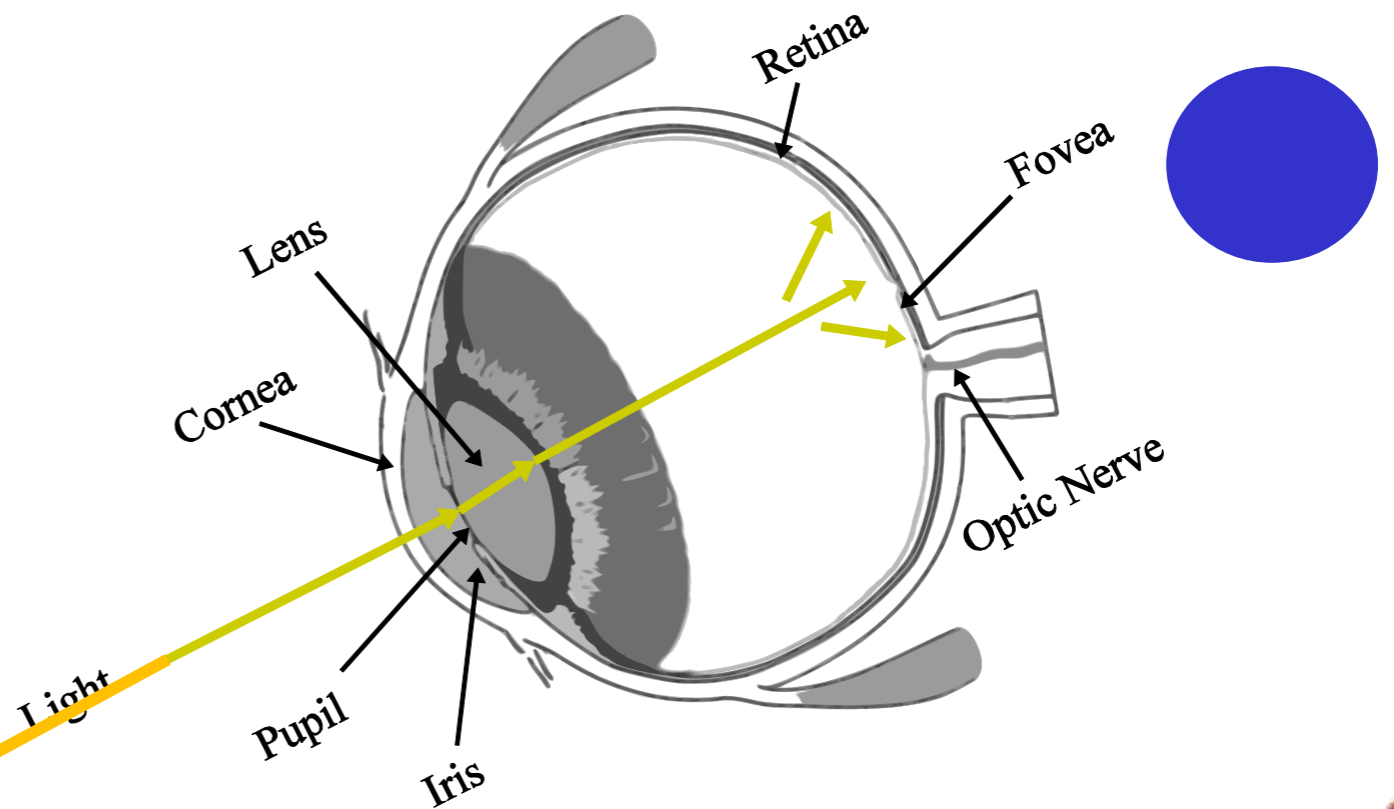
# What is Color?

## Source Light



## Stimulus Object

## Human Visual System



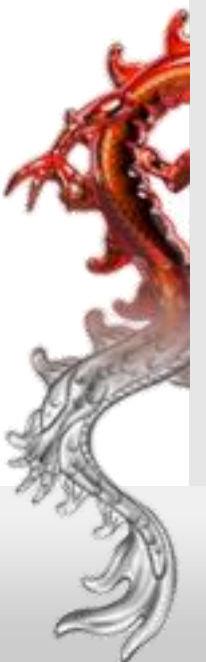
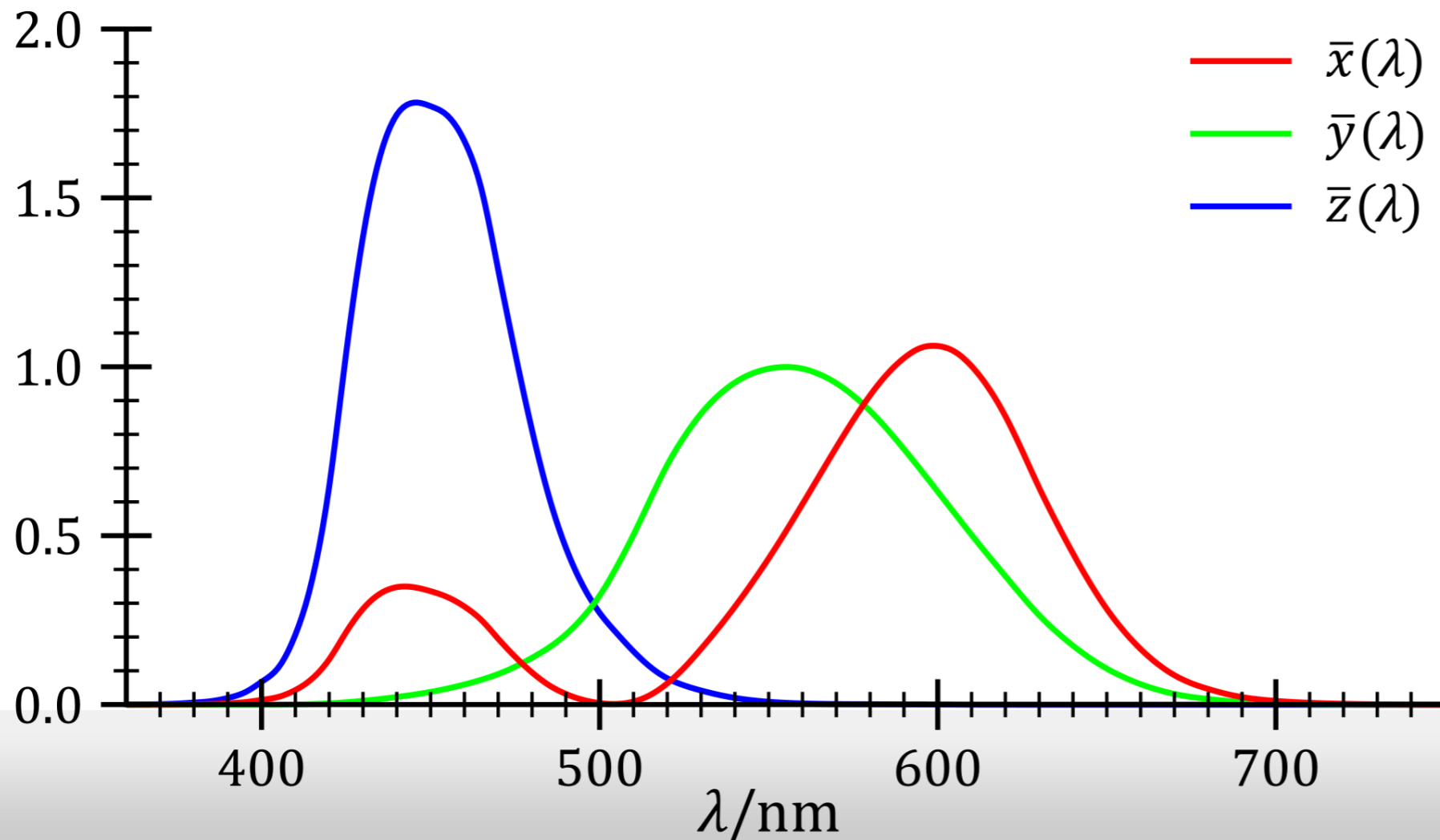
# Quantifying Color

$I(\lambda)$  SPD of the light  
 $\rho(\lambda)$  Reflectance of the object  
 $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}(\lambda)$  CIE color matching functions

$$X = \int_0^{\infty} I(\lambda) \rho(\lambda) \bar{x}(\lambda) d\lambda$$

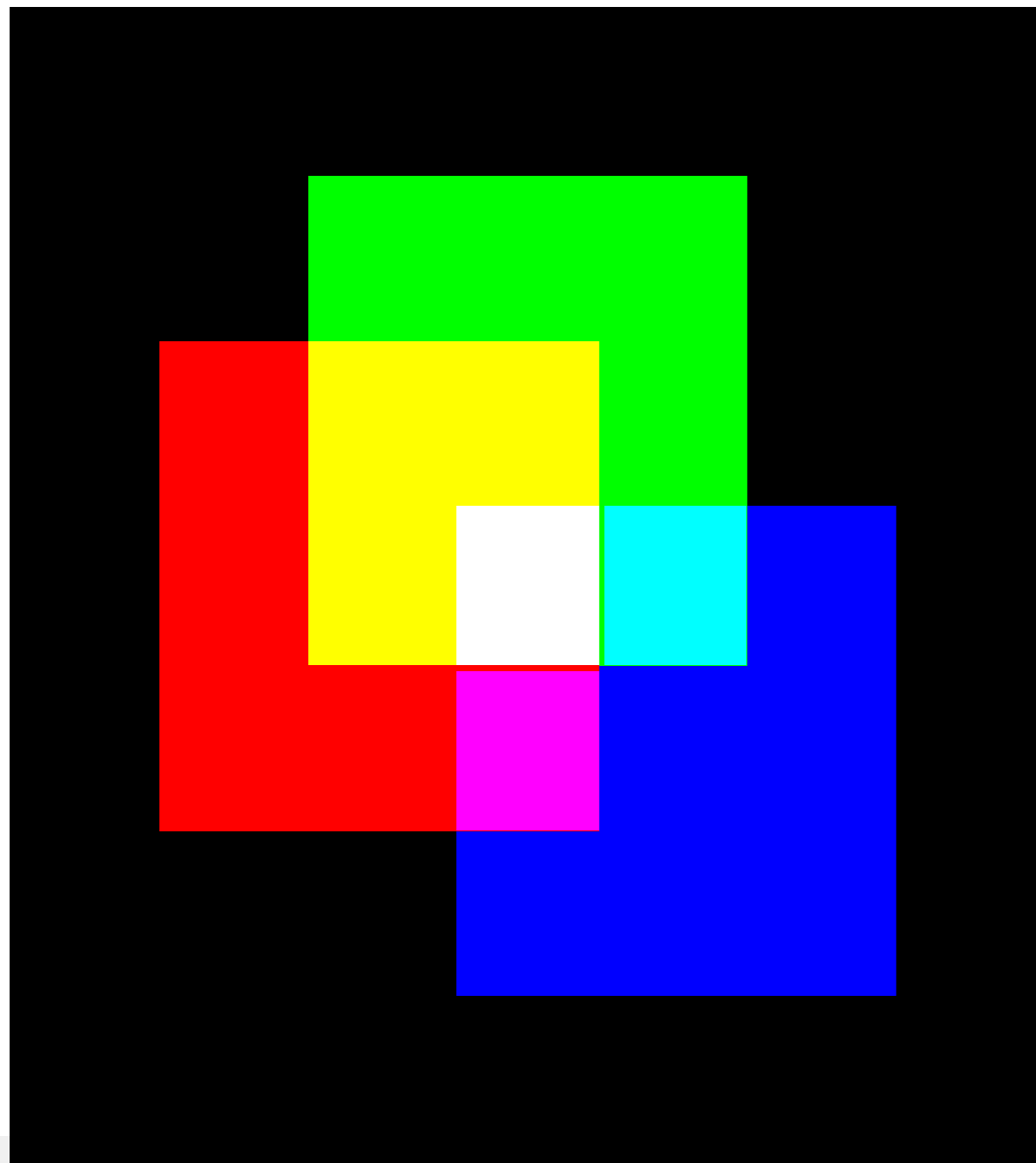
$$Y = \int_0^{\infty} I(\lambda) \rho(\lambda) \bar{y}(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$Z = \int_0^{\infty} I(\lambda) \rho(\lambda) \bar{z}(\lambda) d\lambda$$



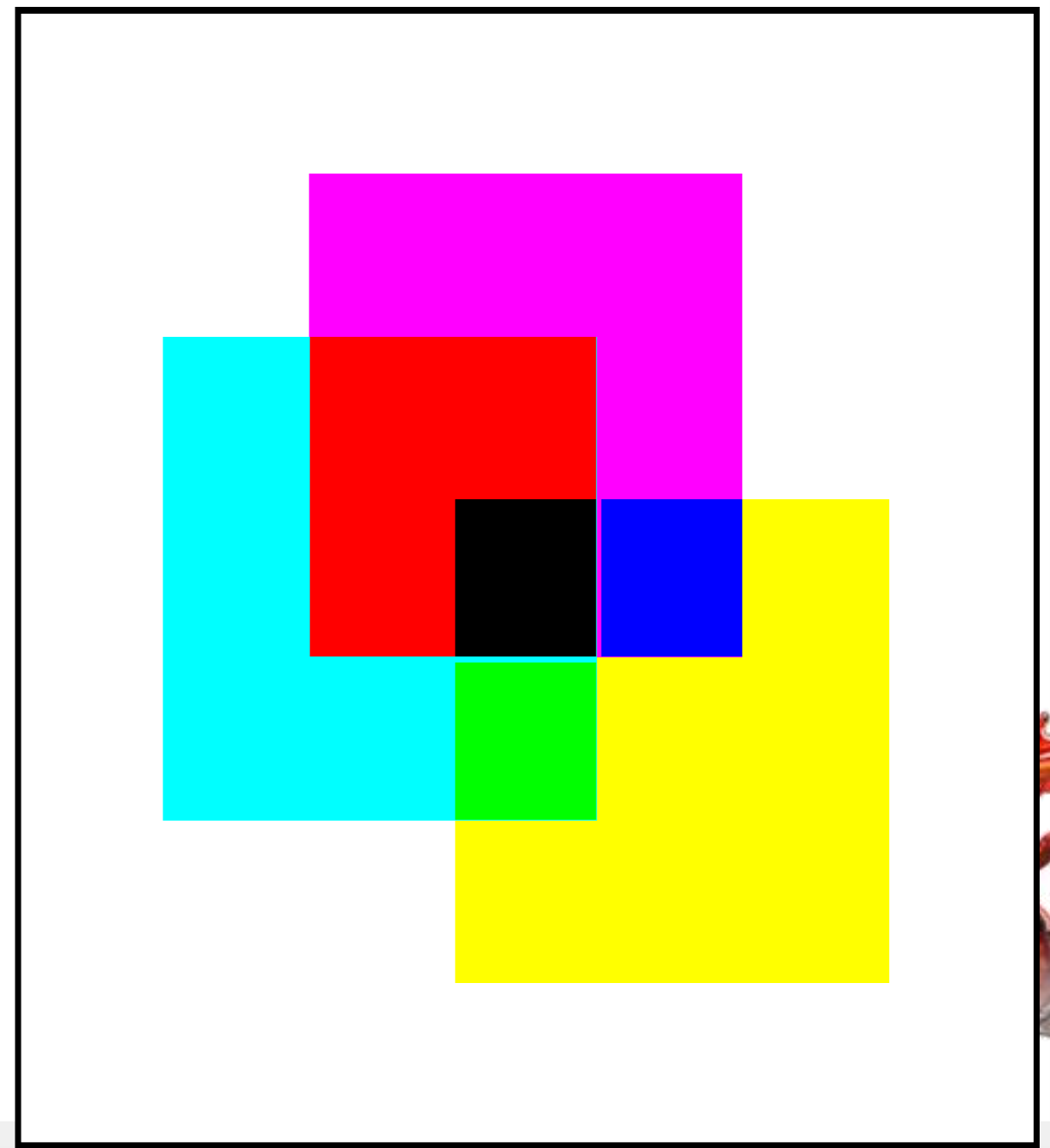
# How Color is Produced?

## Additive



(a)

## Subtractive



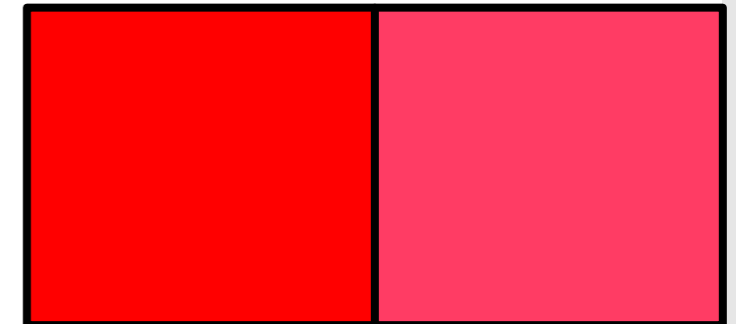
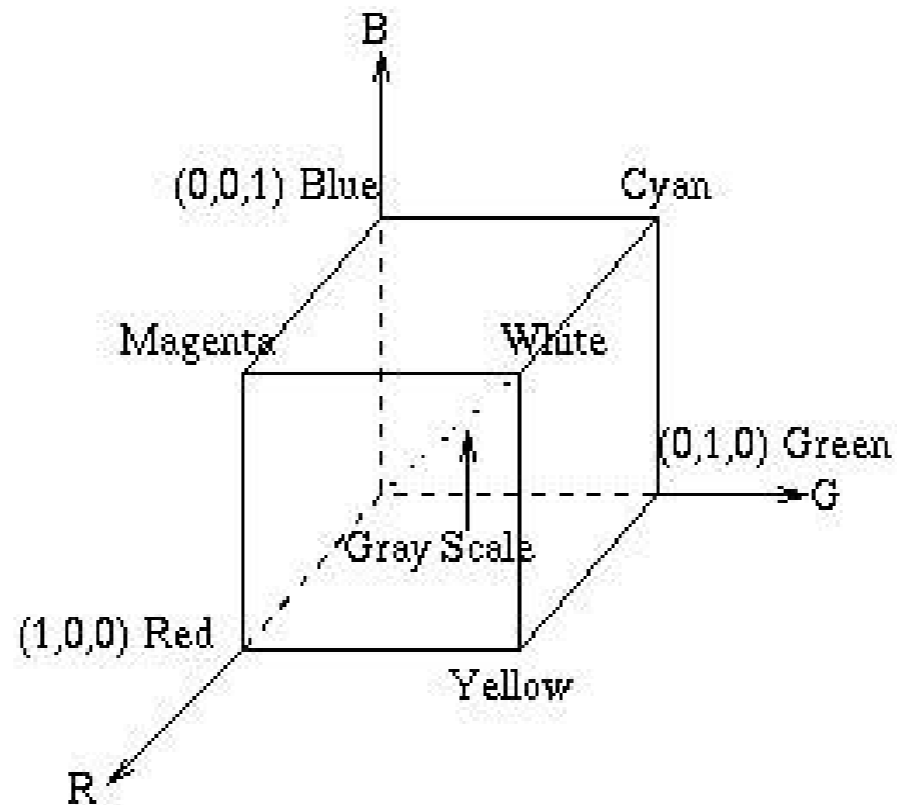
(b)



# Color Space

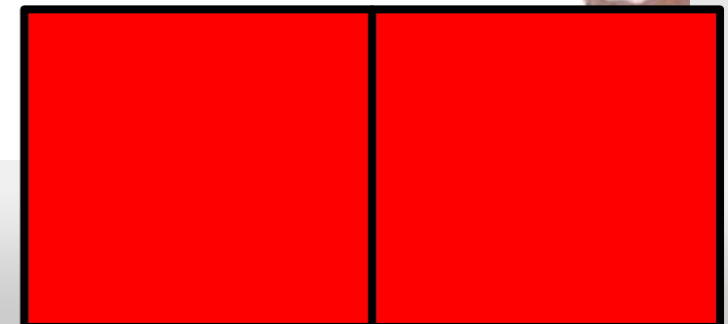
- Device dependent: the description of color information is related to the characteristics of a particular device

- Set of primaries
- Technology



- Device independent: the description of color information is not dependent from the characteristics of a particular device

- CIEXYZ, CIELab, CIEluv etc...



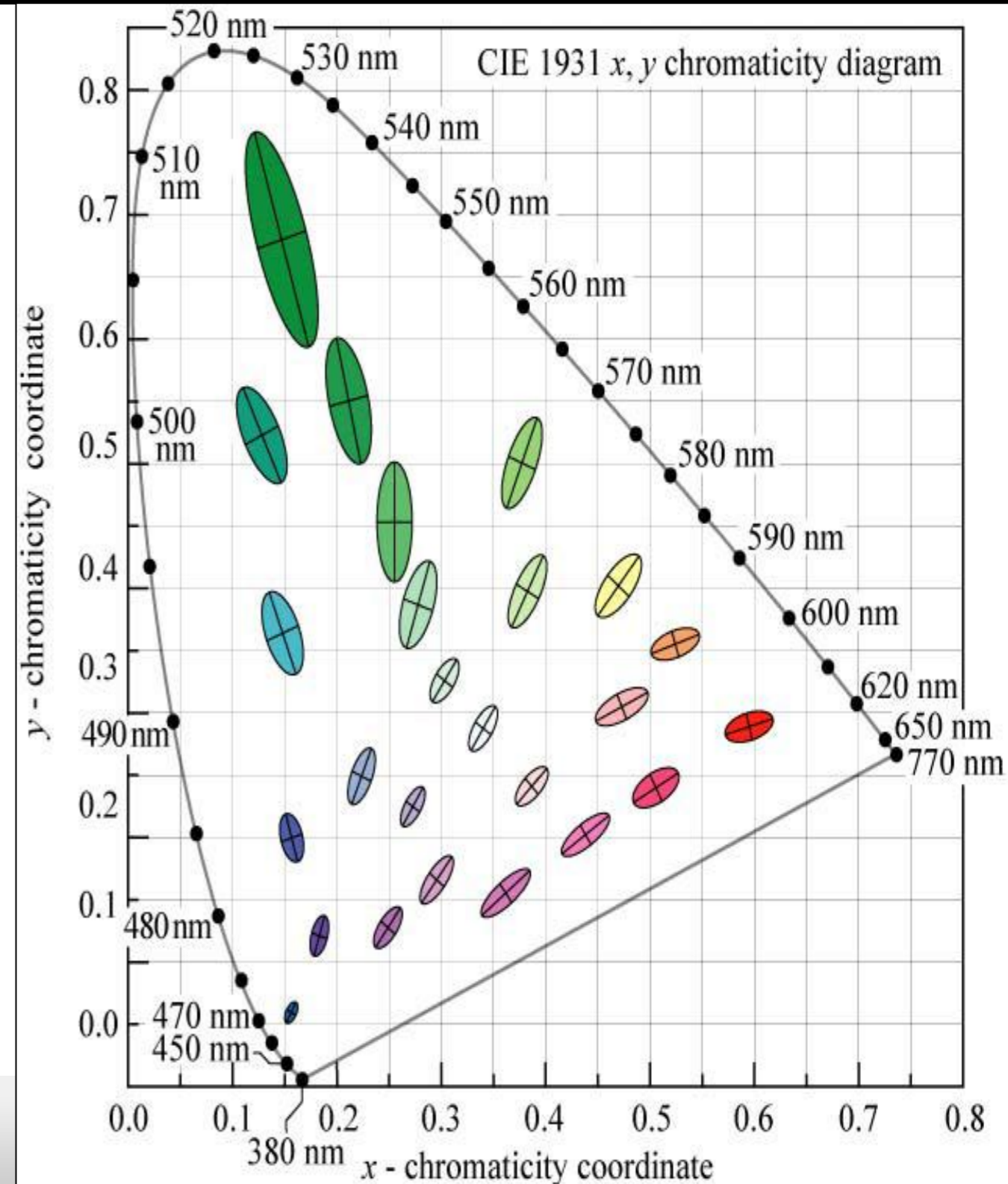
# Chromaticity Diagram and MacAdam's Ellipses

## MacAdam's Ellipses

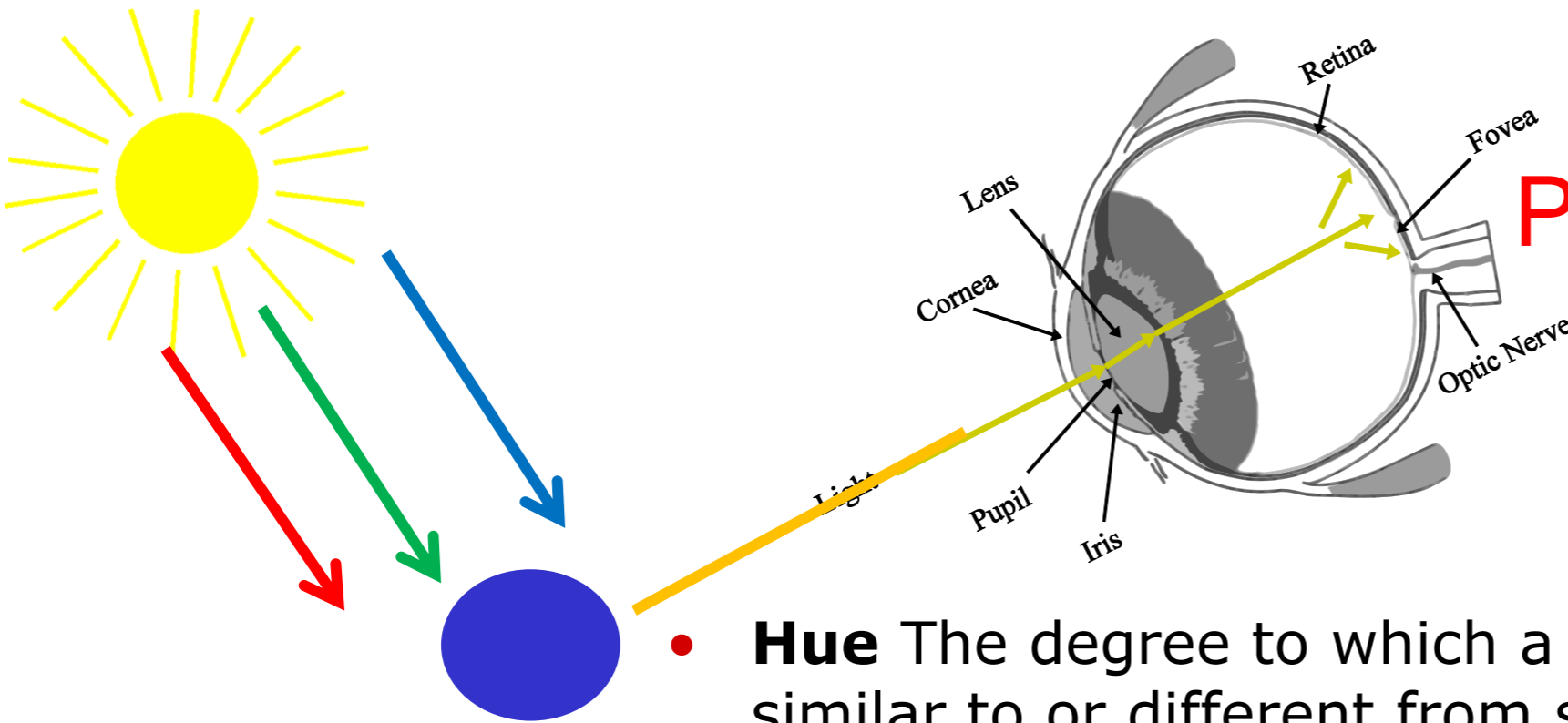
- contains all colors which are indistinguishable to an human observer from the color at the center of the ellipse
- the contour of the ellipse represents the just noticeable differences of chromaticity

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

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



# Color Attributes by the CIE



- **Hue**
  - **Saturation**
  - **Lightness**
- Perception**

- **Hue** The degree to which a stimulus can be described as similar to or different from stimuli that are described as red, green, blue, and yellow.
- **Saturation** is the colorfulness of an area judged in proportion to its brightness.
- **Lightness** Human vision has a nonlinear perceptual response to luminance: The perceptual response to luminance is called lightness.

$$L^* = 116 \left( \frac{Y}{Y_n} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 16 \quad 0.008856 < \frac{Y}{Y_n}$$





# Color in High Dynamic Range

- Color Ratio (Schlick 1994)

$$RGB_{out} = \frac{RGB_{in}}{L_{in}} L_{out}$$

$RGB_{in}$  Color Input

$RGB_{out}$  Color Output

$L_{in}$  Luminance Input

$L_{out}$  Luminance Output



# Color in High Dynamic Range

- Saturation Control (Thumblin and Turk 1999)

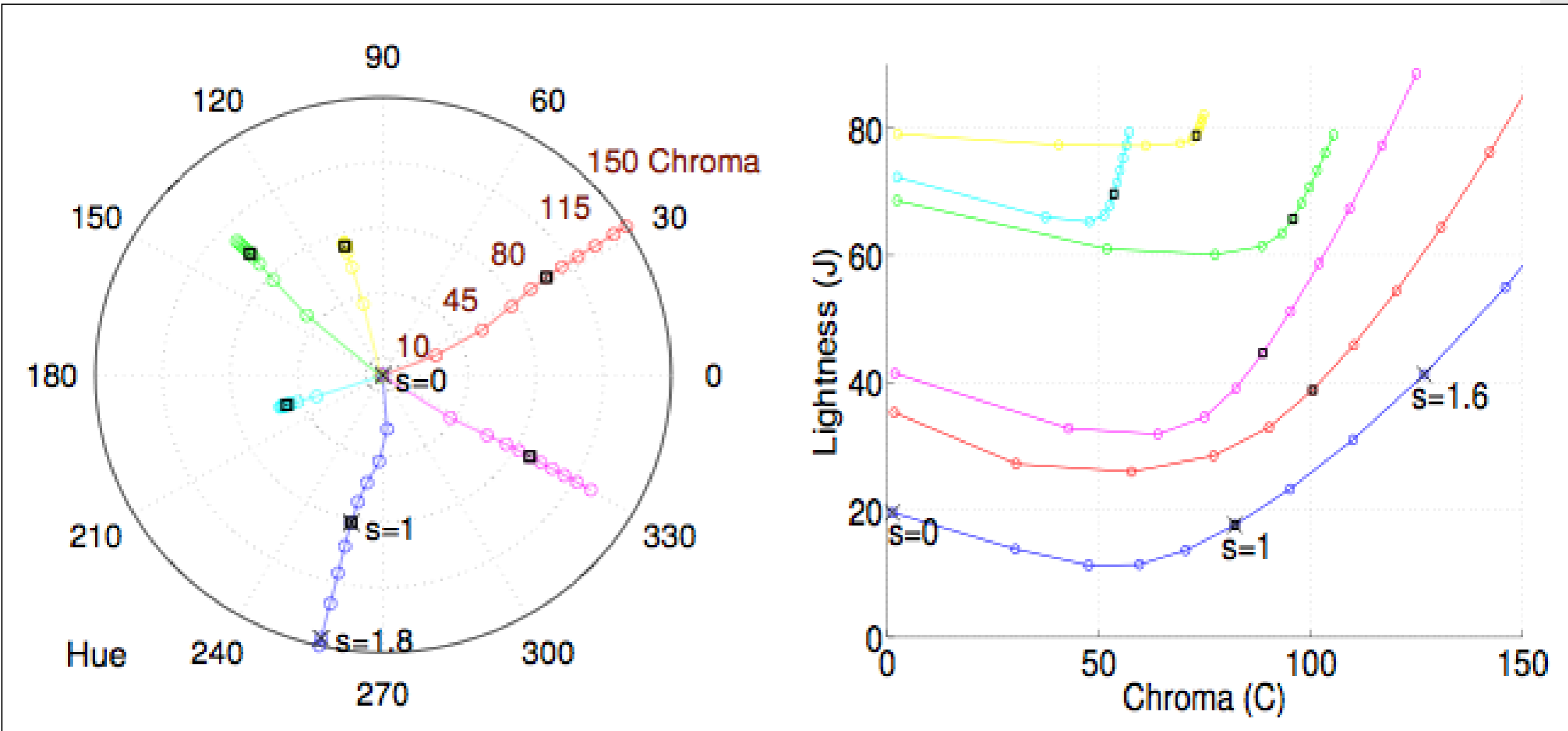
$$RGB_{out} = \left( \frac{RGB_{in}}{L_{in}} \right)^s L_{out}$$

$s$  Saturation Parameter  
 $c$  Contrast Compression

Under-saturated colors for  $S=C$ .



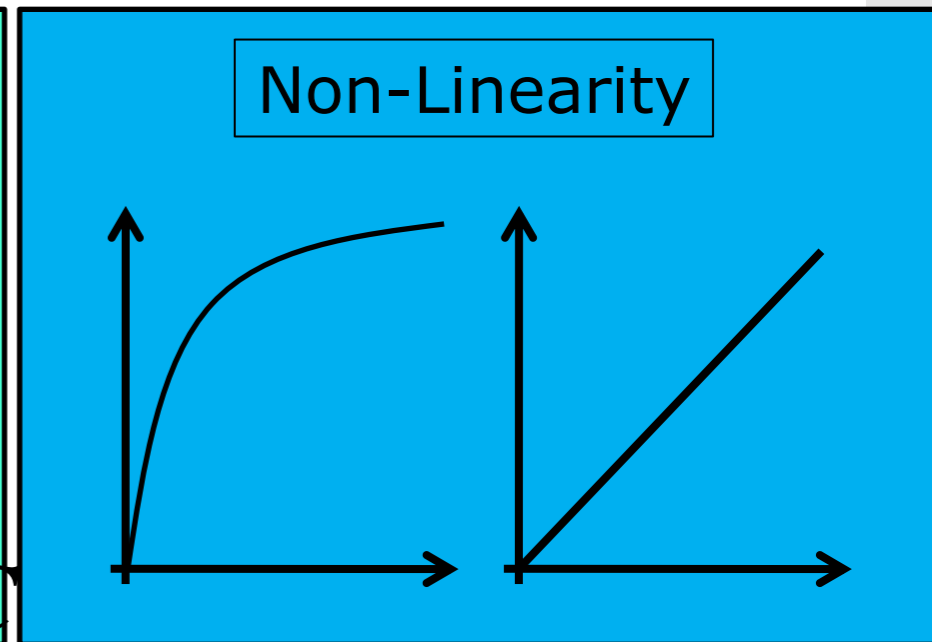
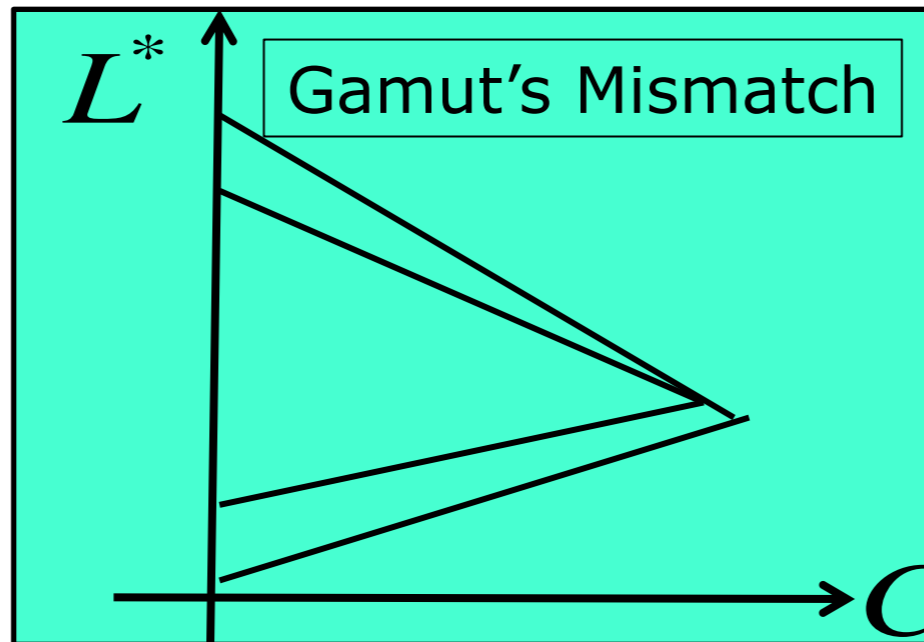
# Color in High Dynamic Range



# Color Rendering Pipeline (8 Bit)



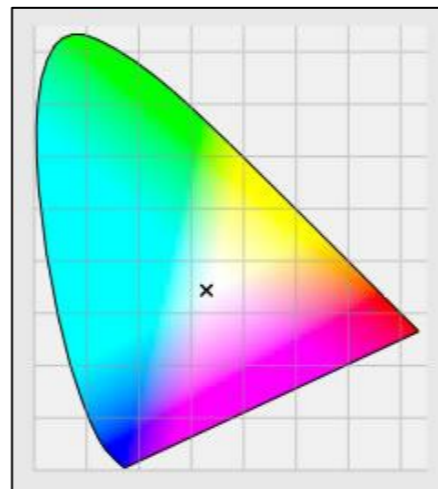
Image Acquisition



Displaying



Device Independent



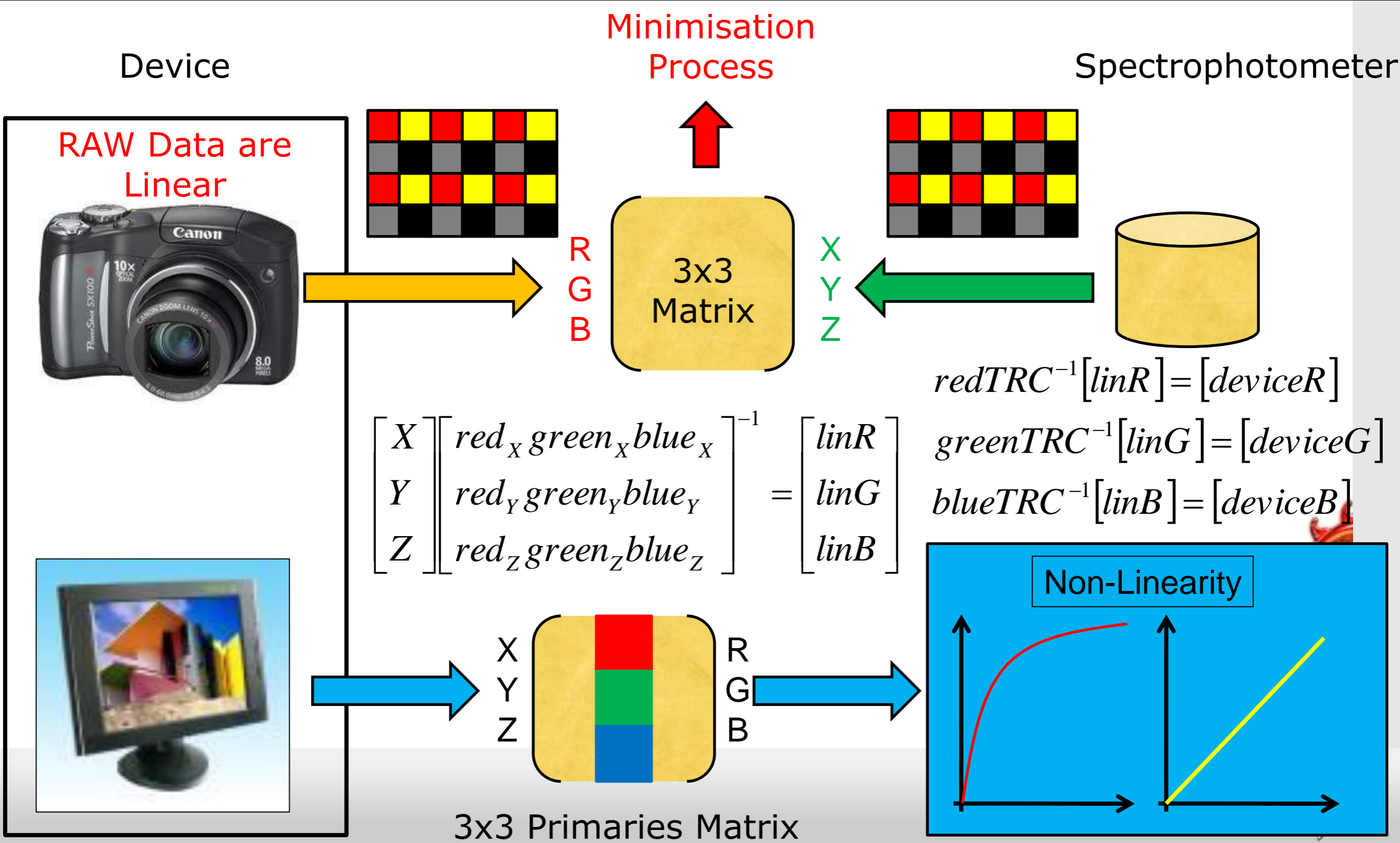
Device Dependent



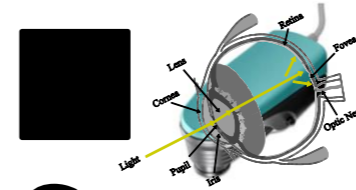
Colorimetric Characterization



# Colorimetric Characterisation of a Device



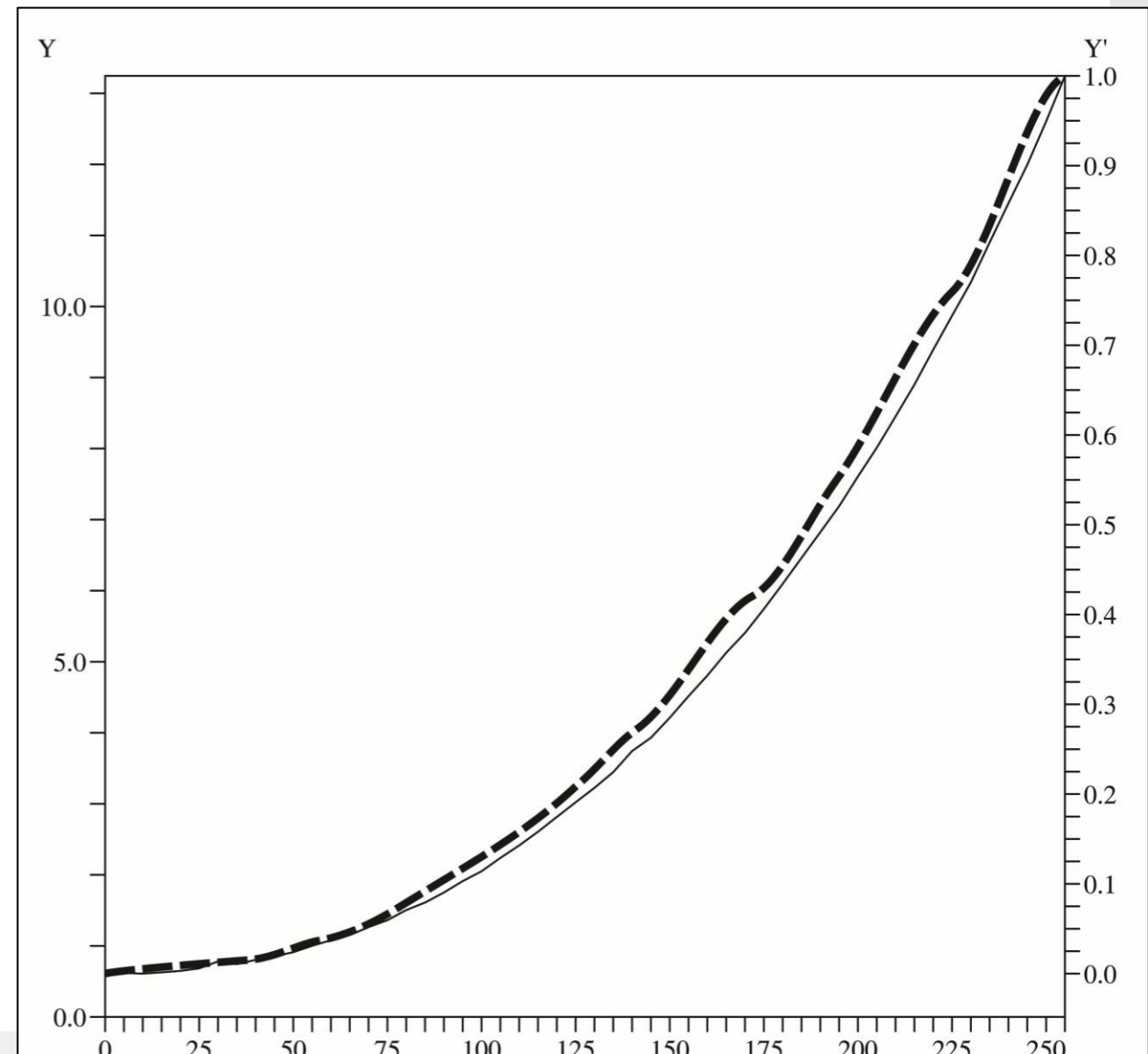
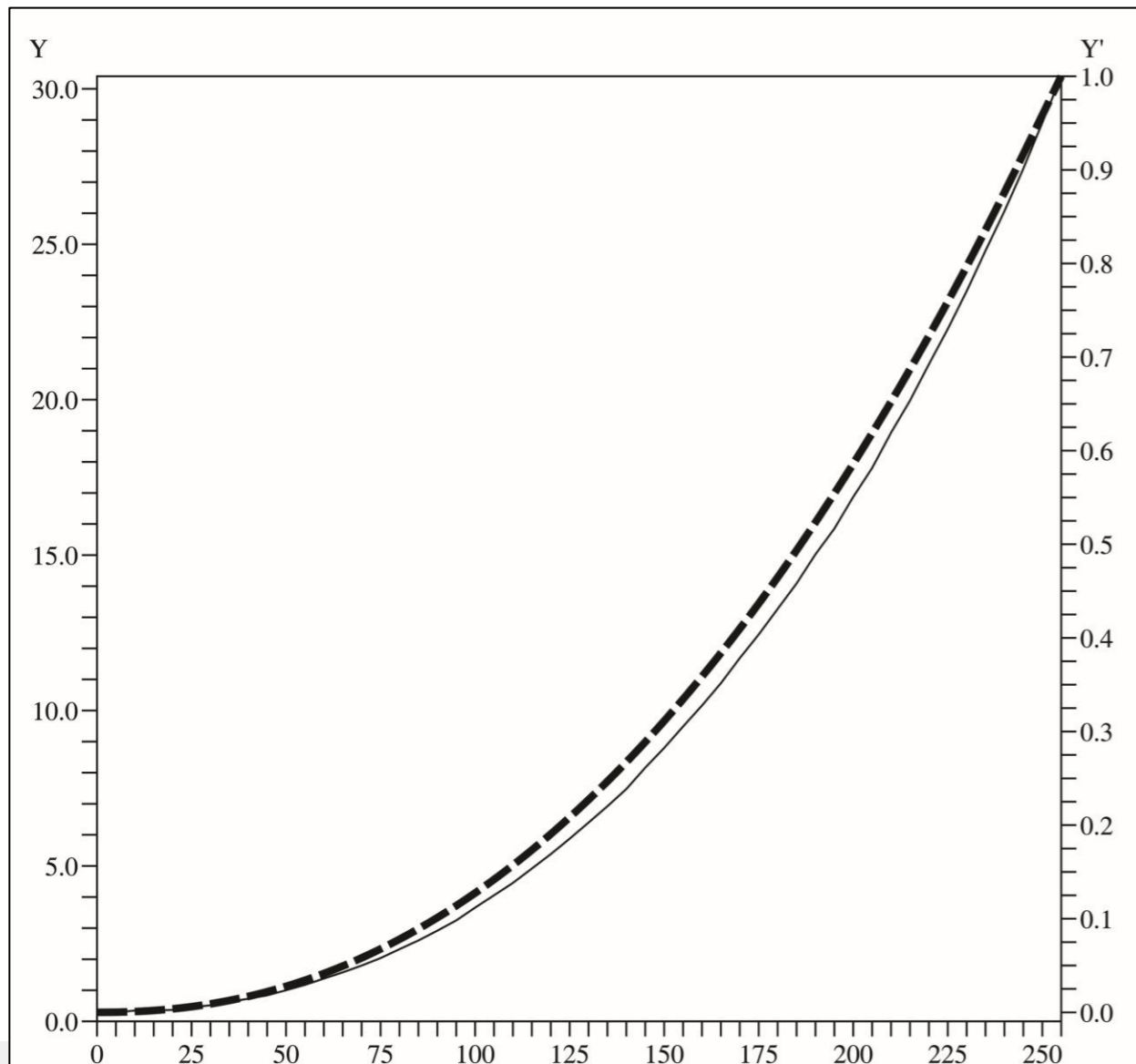
# Gamma – Curve



$$R(d_i) = ((1-b)d_i + b)^\gamma$$

Gamma Response for RED

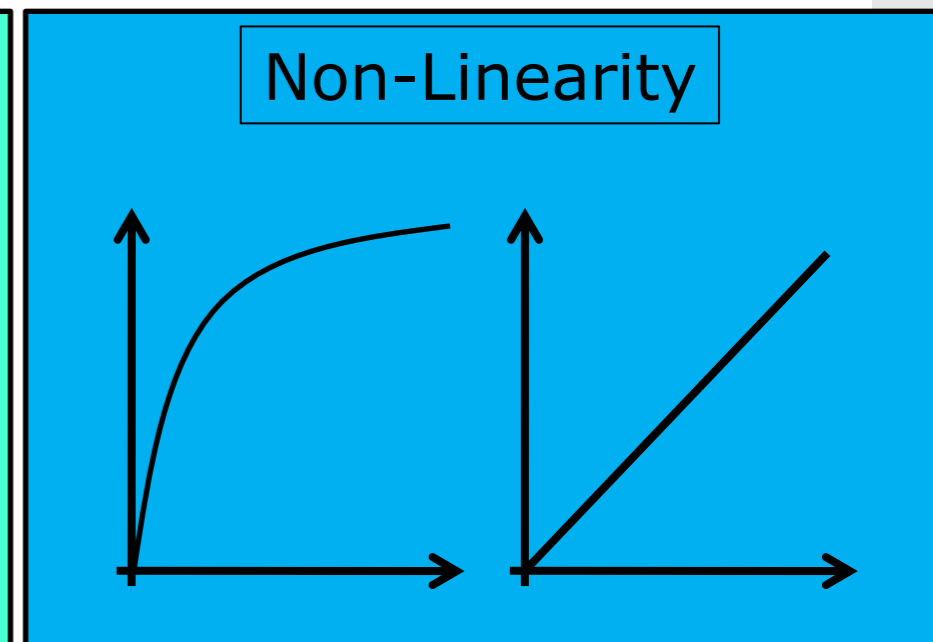
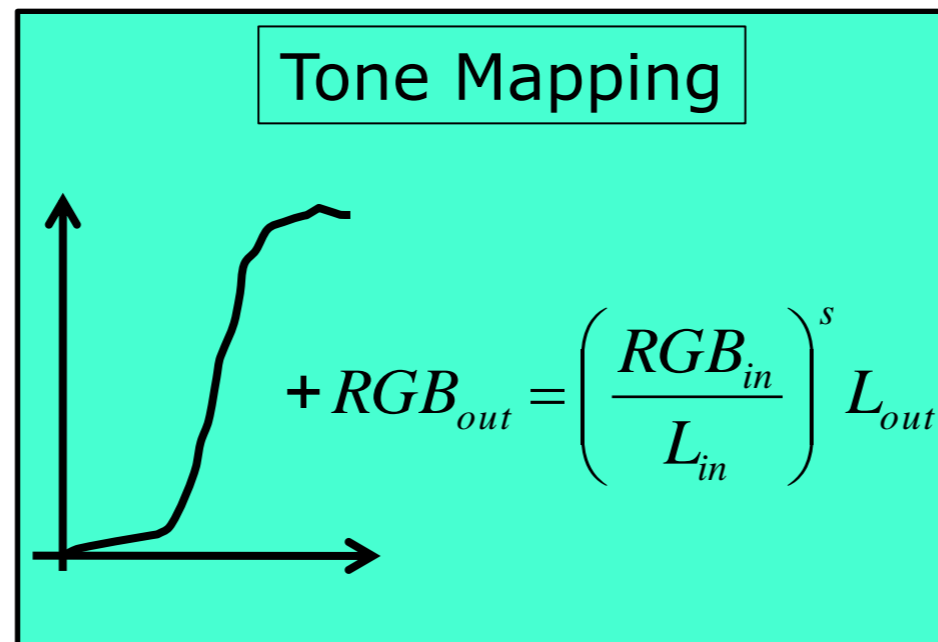
Gamma Response for BLUE



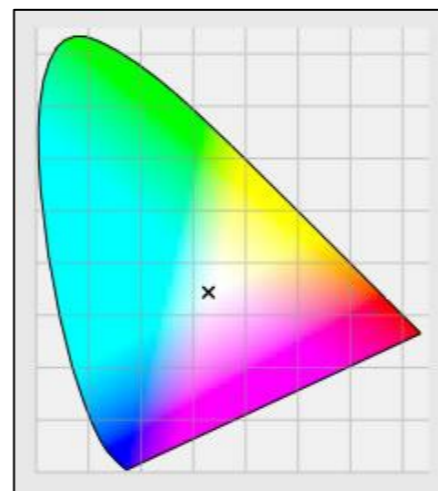
# Color Rendering Pipeline in HDR



HDR Image Acquisition



Device Independent



Device Dependent

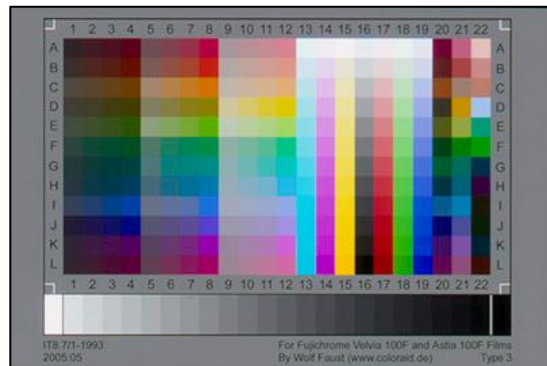


Colorimetric Characterization

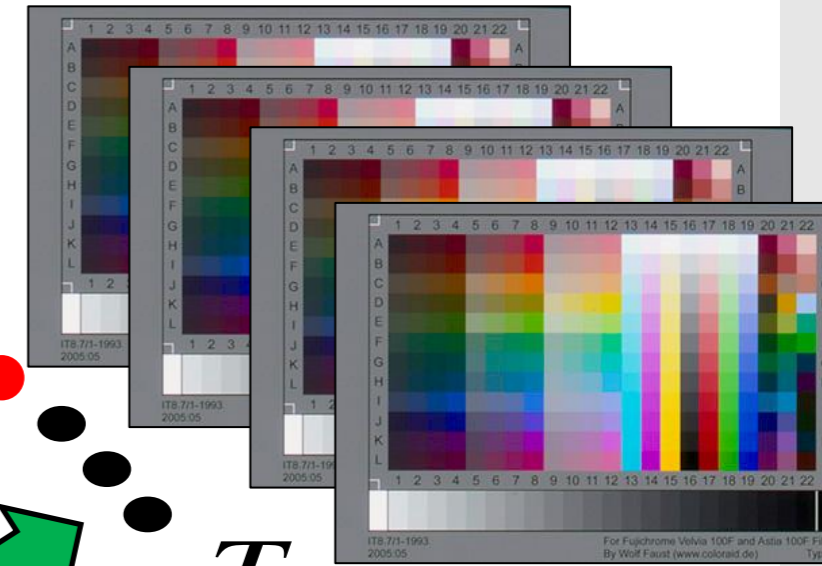


# HDR ICC Profile

## Target



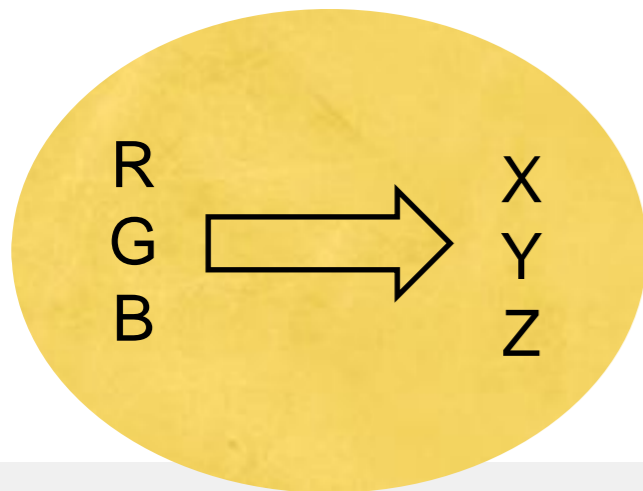
$T_1$



$T_n$

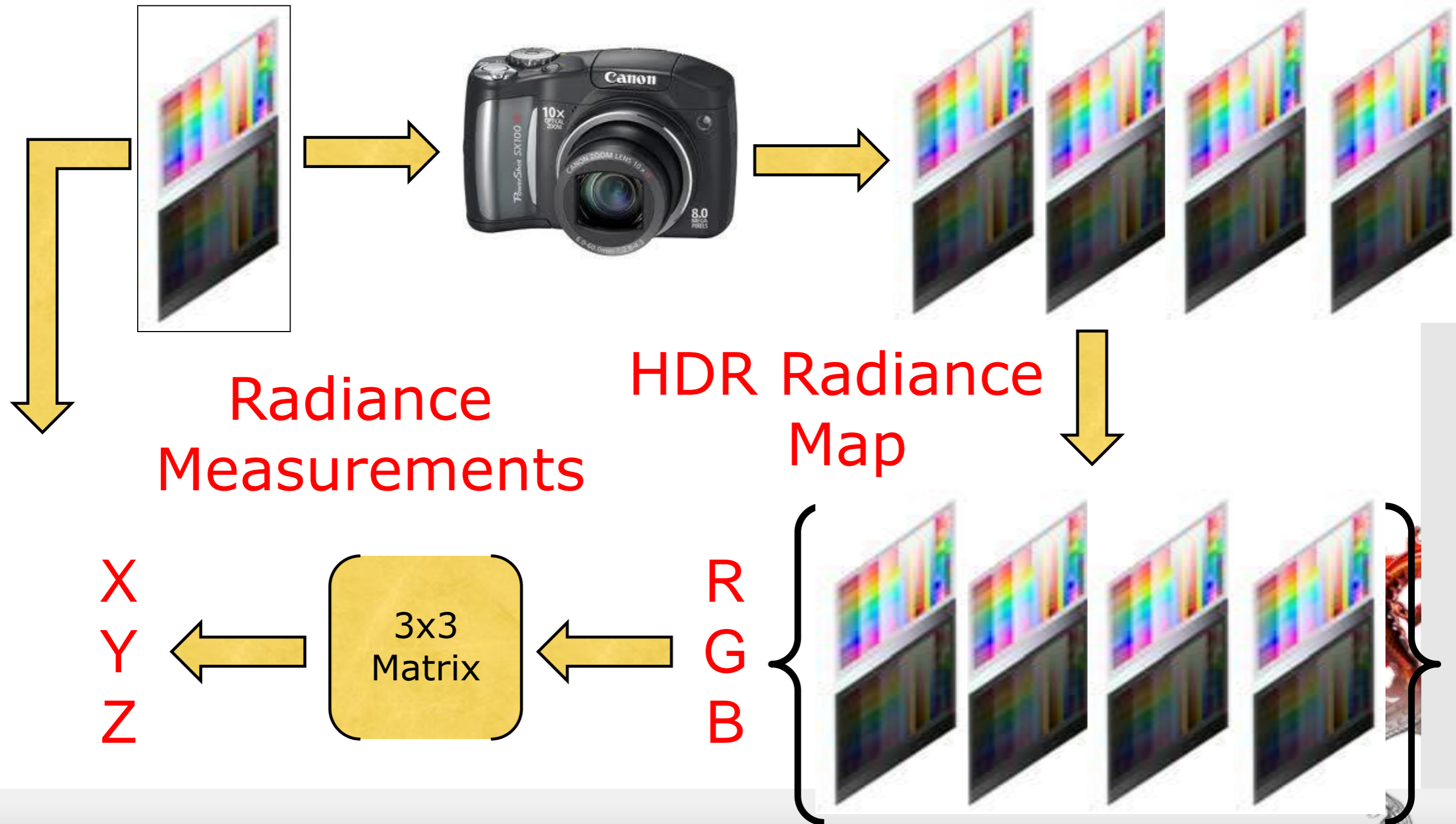
- Best Exposure Image

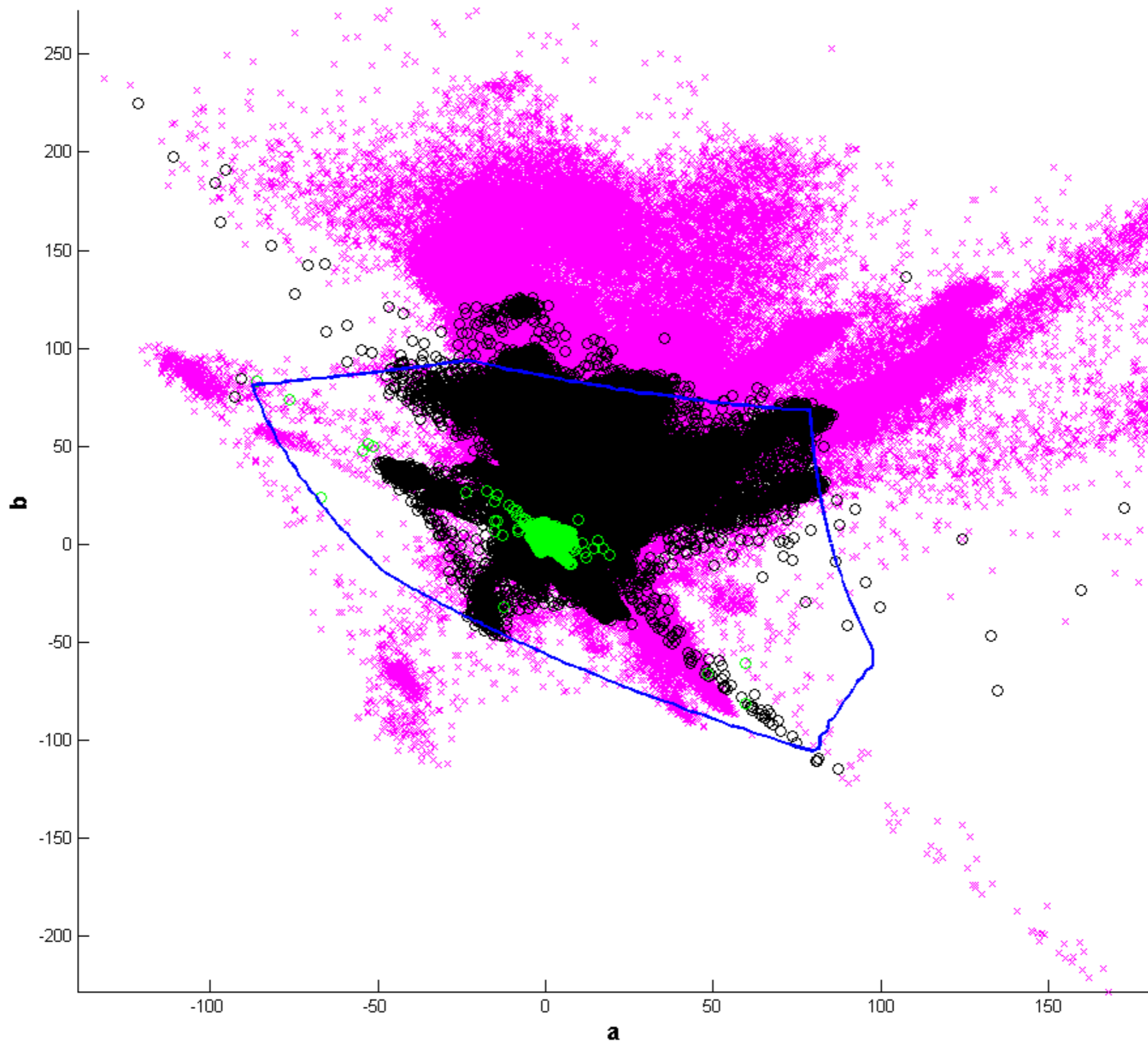
## ICC Profile



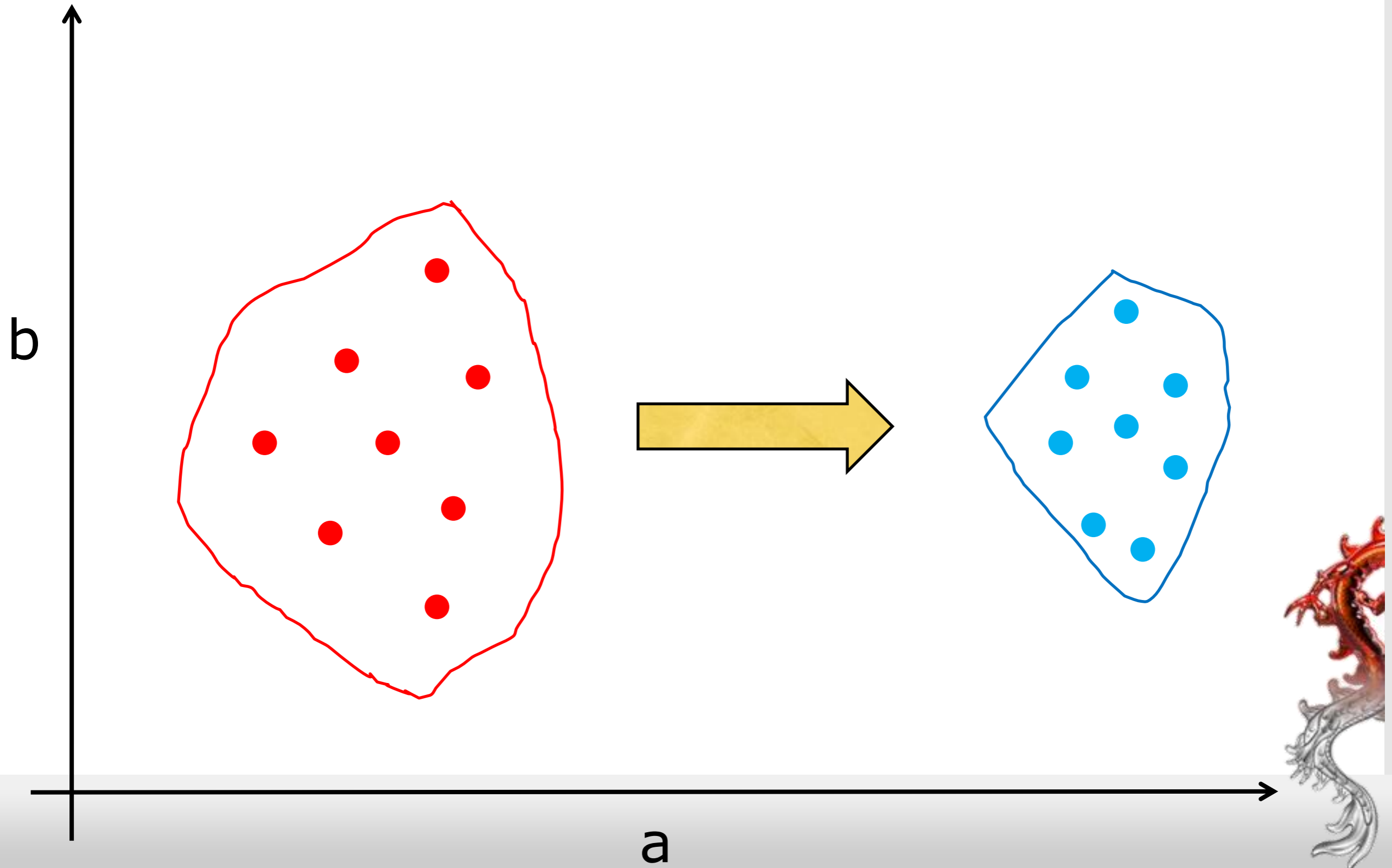


# HDR Colorimetric Camera Characterization

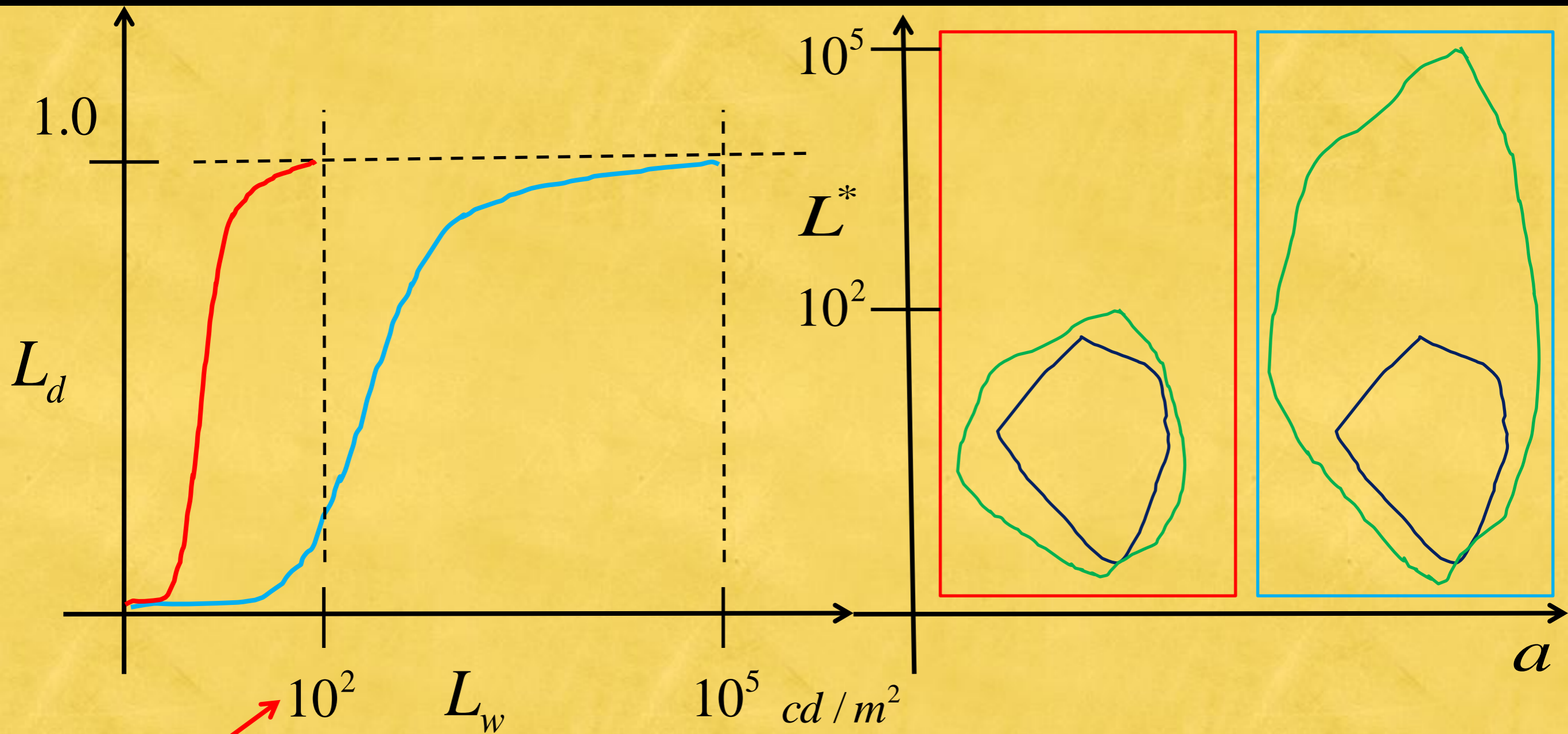




# Gamut Mapping



# Gamut vs. Tone Mapping

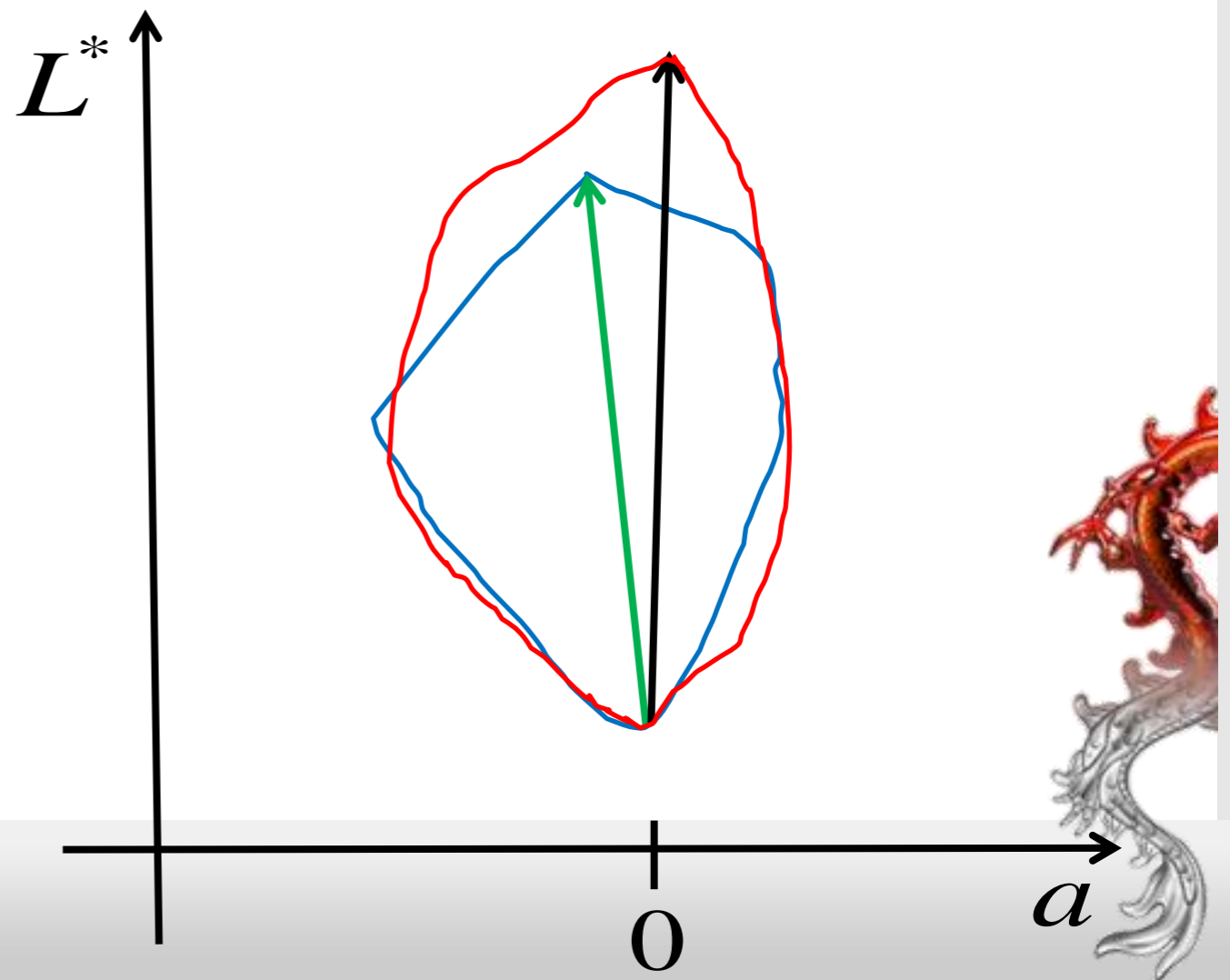
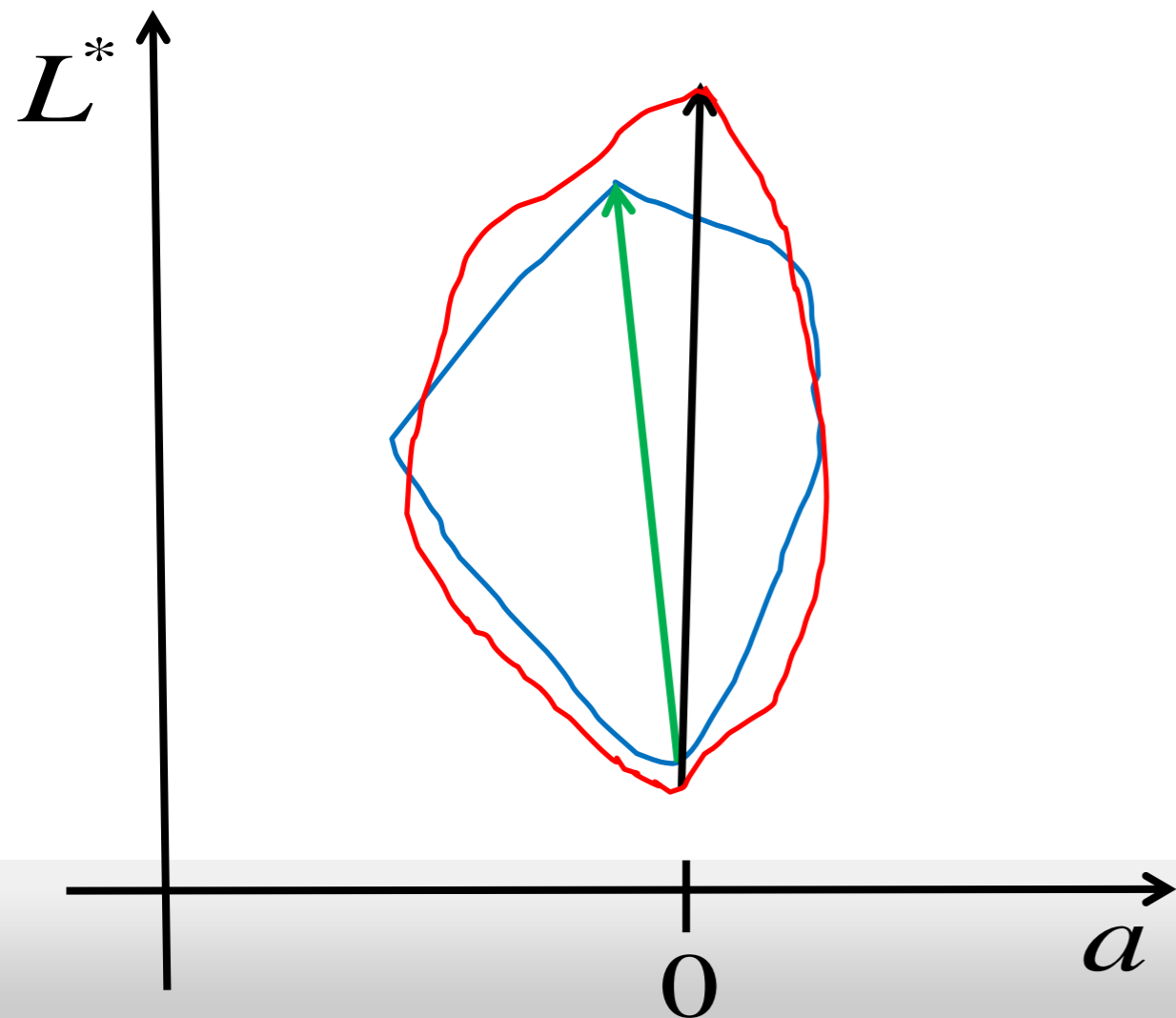


Not HDR Content



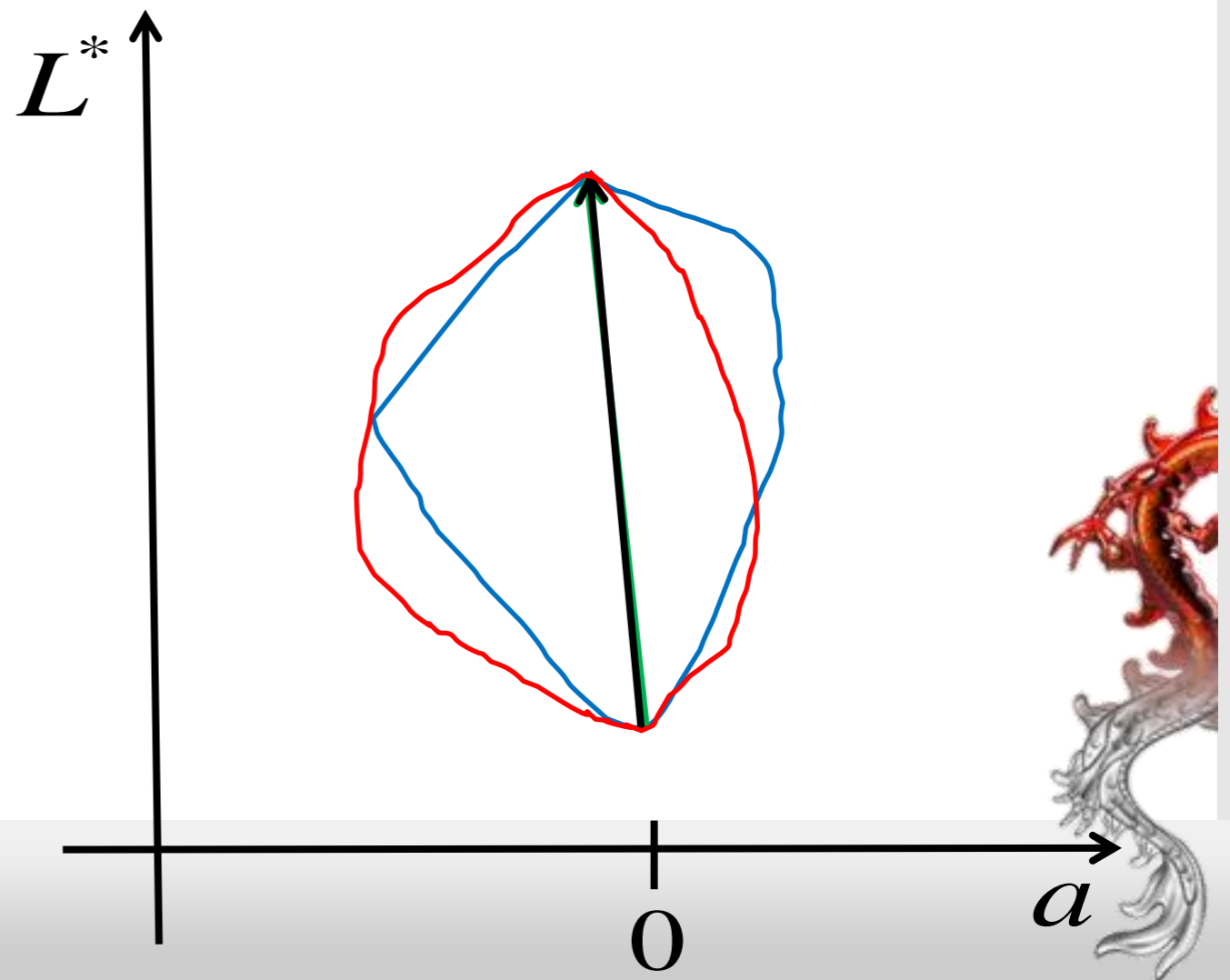
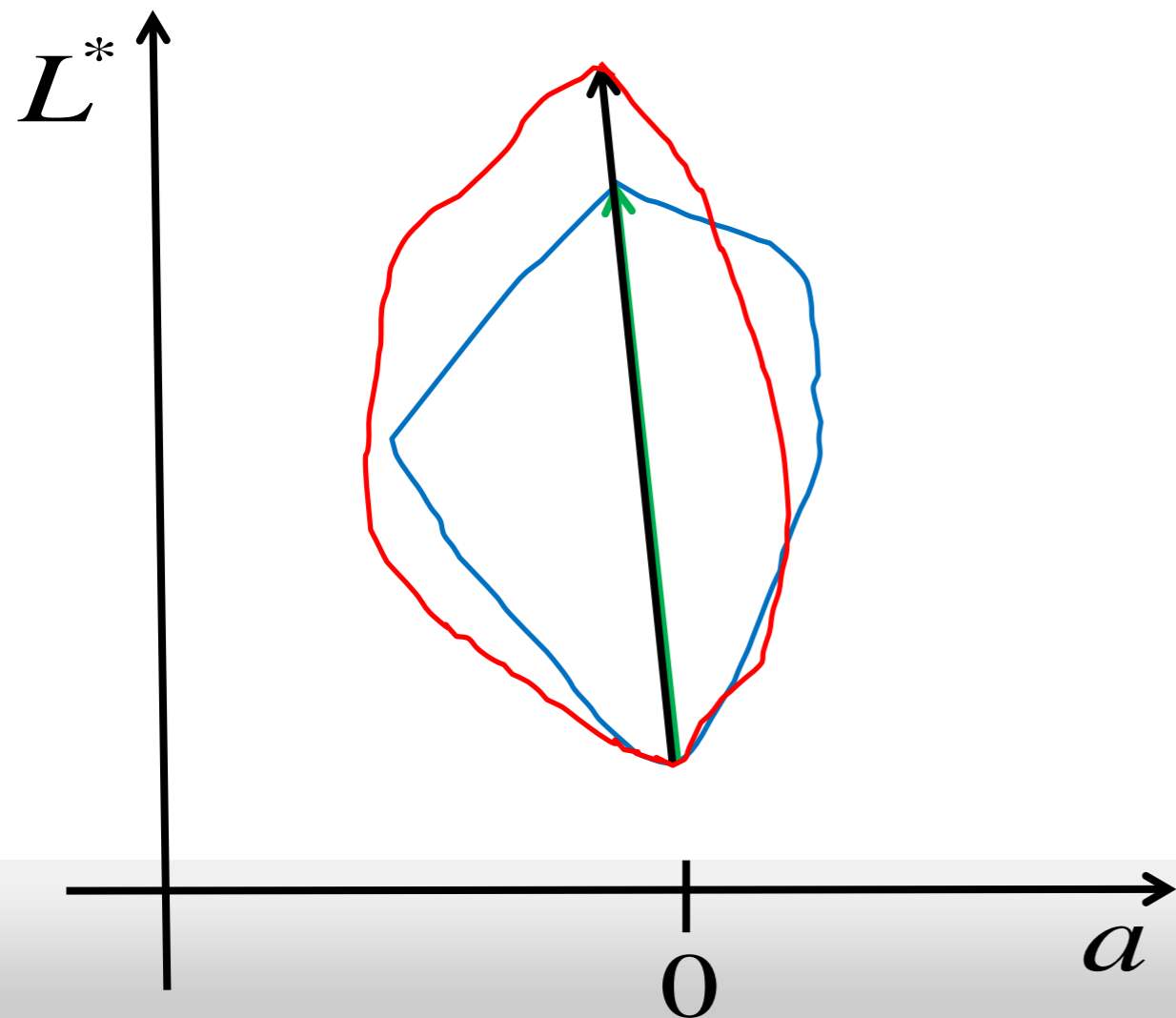
# Gamut Mapping Aims (CS)

- Gray axes alignment, mapping white to white and black to black



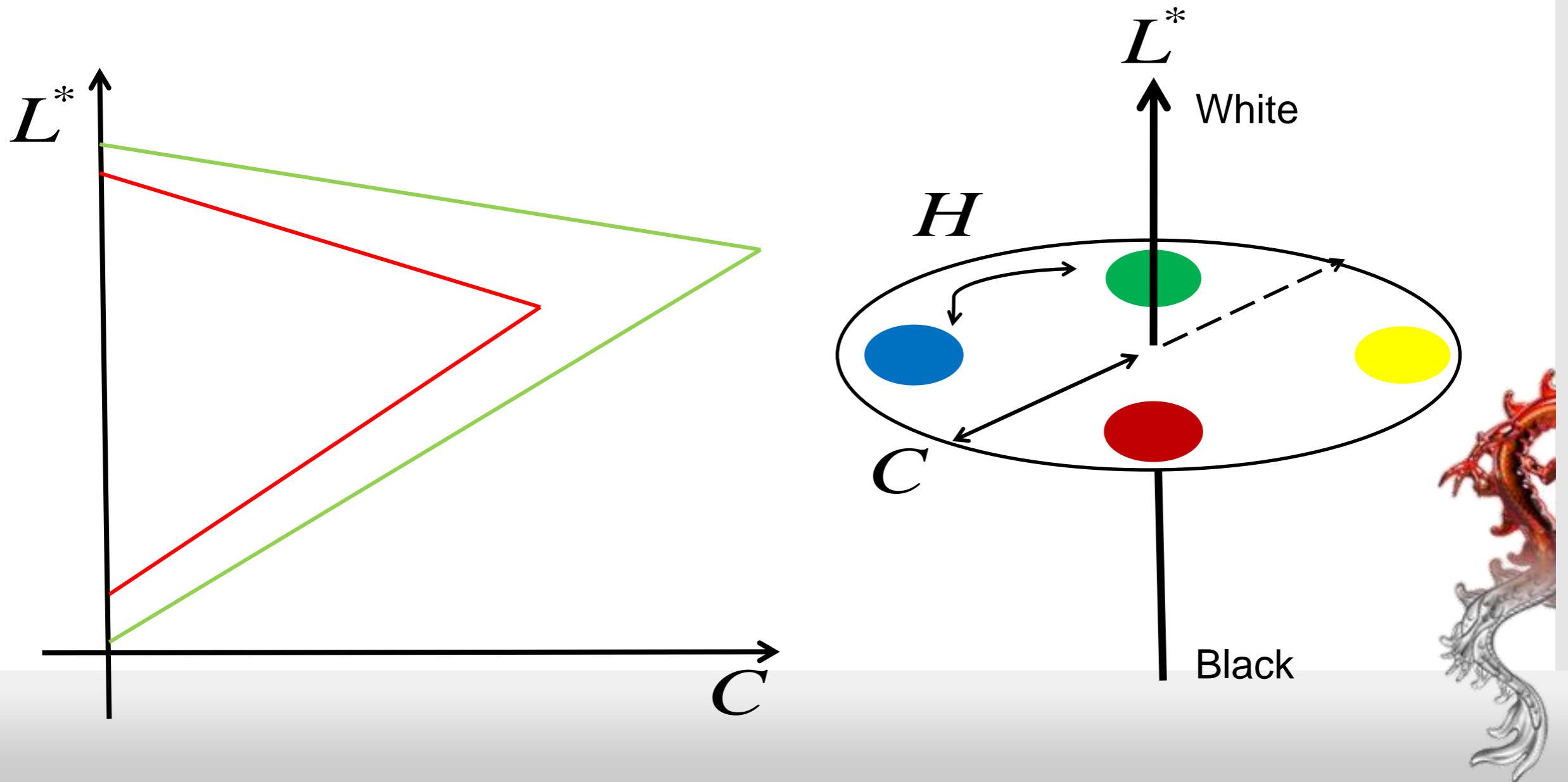
# Gamut Mapping Aims (CS)

- Gray axes alignment, mapping white to white and black to black



# Gamut Mapping Aims (CS)

- Unchanged the Hue shift, will keep the overall image appearance



# Gamut Mapping Aims (CS)

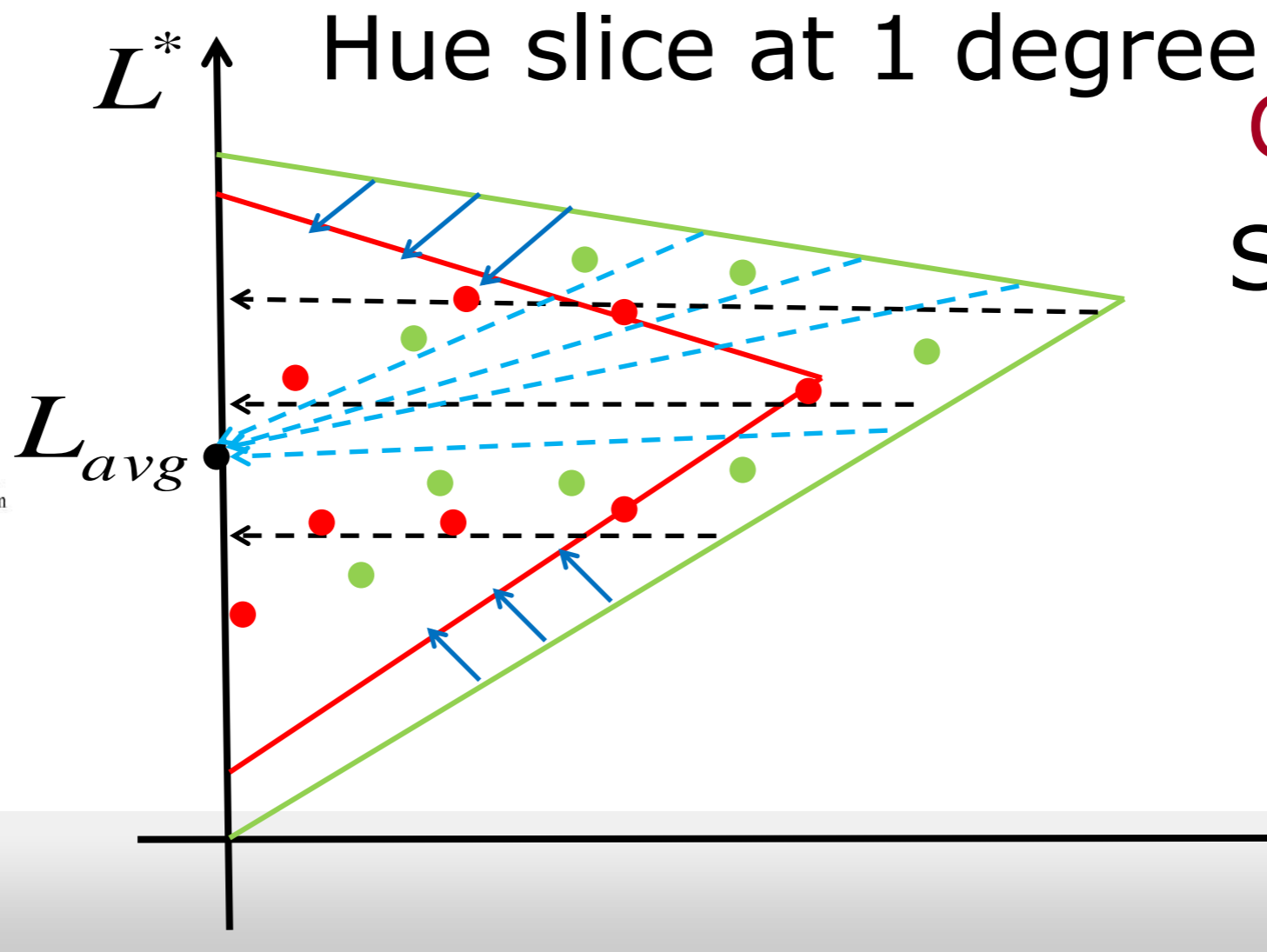
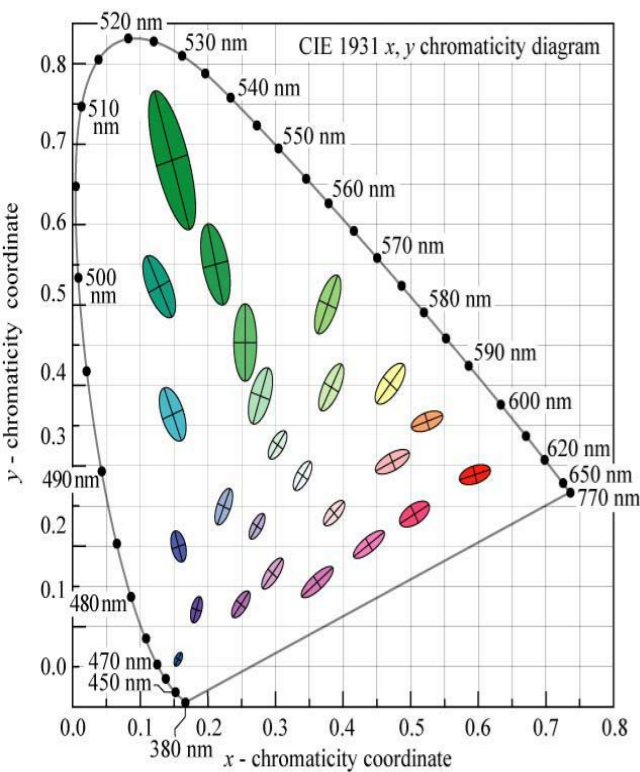
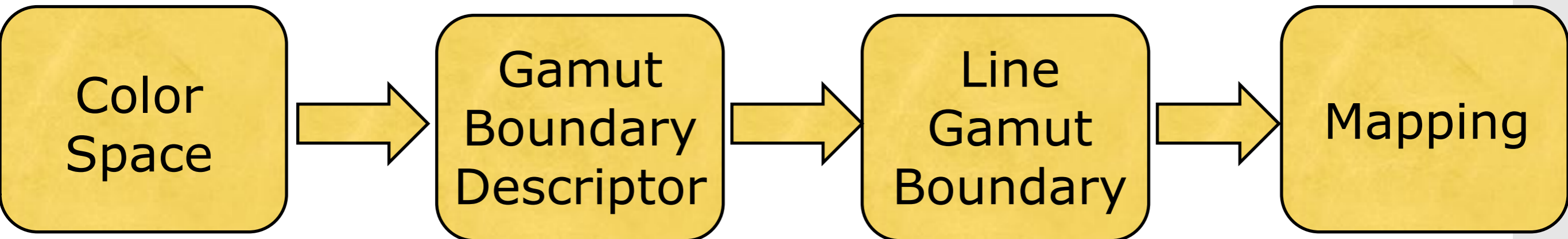


- Limiting out of gamut colours
  - Soft clipping can be afterwards adopted to eliminate these extremes
- Increase Image saturation
  - Destination gamut has reduced saturation
  - Helps maintaining the original chroma differences of the input Image

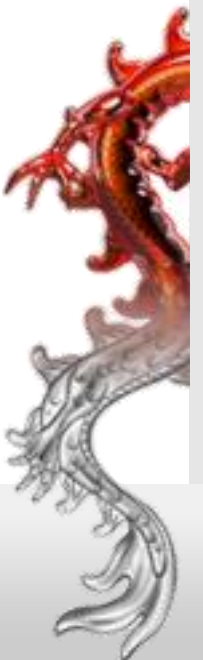




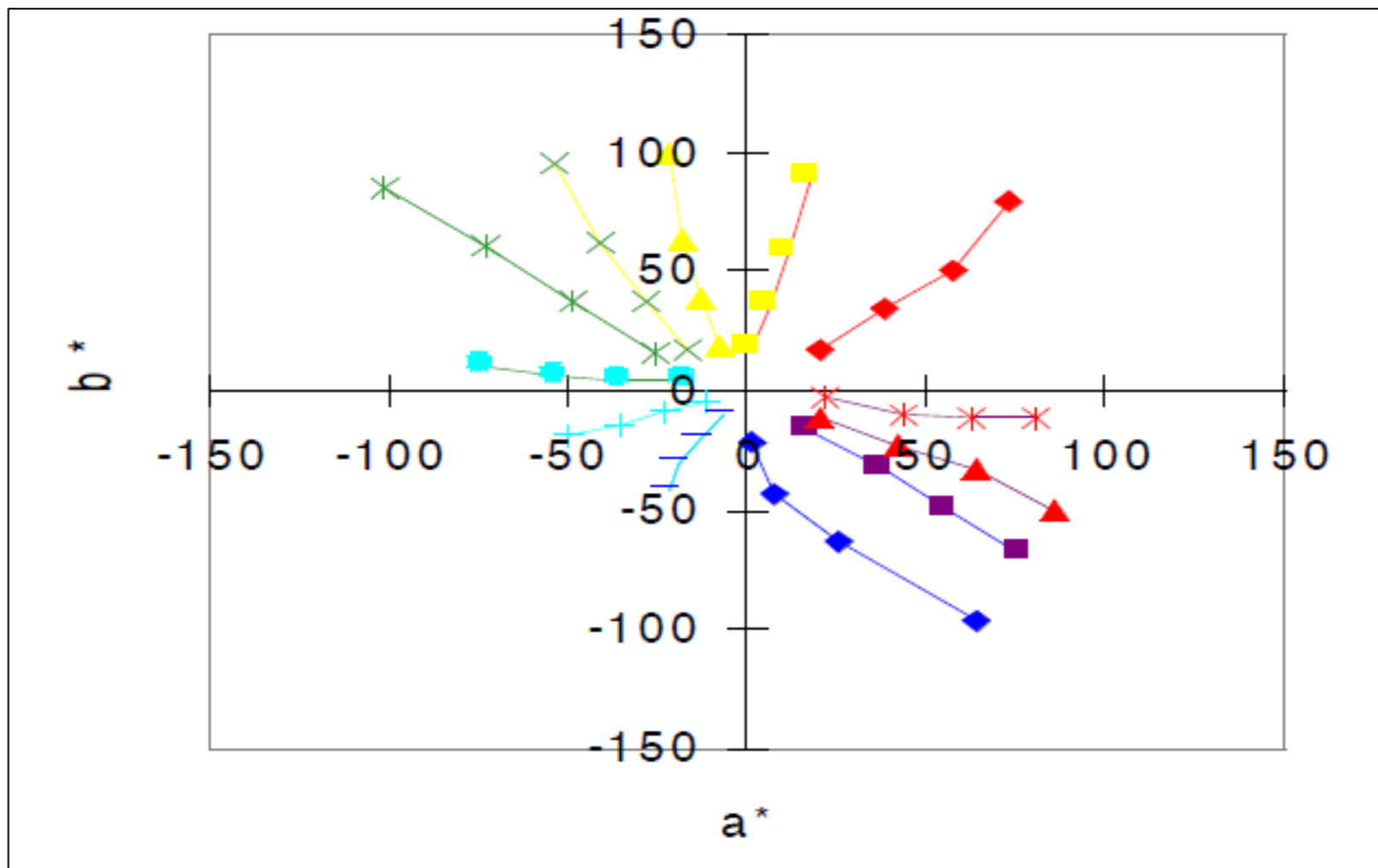
# Gamut Mapping Pipeline



Clipping  
Compression  
Spatial GMAs



# Color Space Issue



- Gamut Mapping that preserves metric hue angle
  - No Hue shift after compression or clipping
- CIE Lab is suffering of non linearity in blue regions, but also in red regions



# Point-wise Gamut Mapping Techniques



- **Clipping**

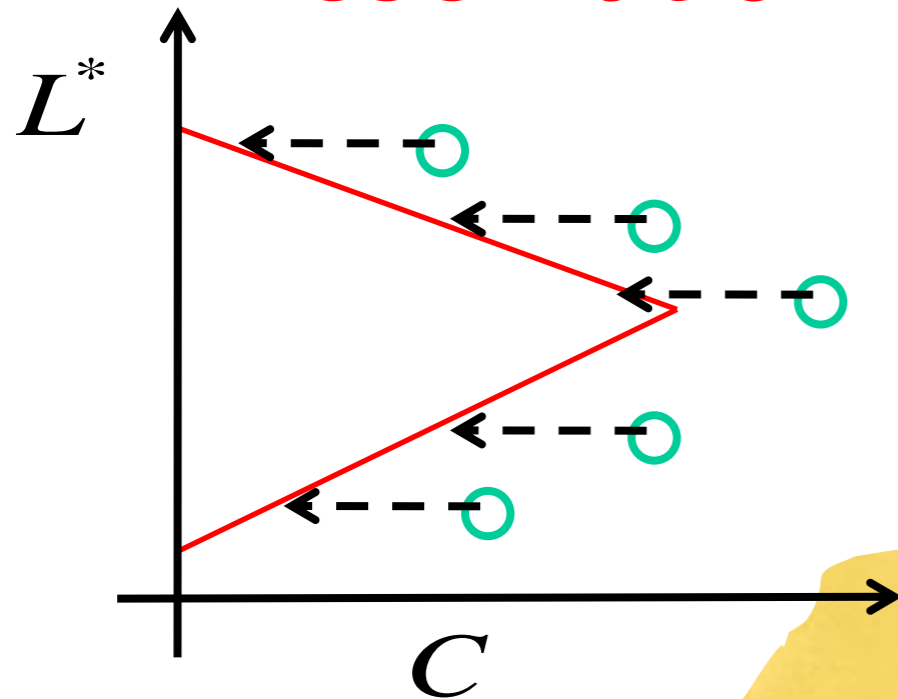
It changes colours which are outside of the destination gamut, mapping them on the boundaries of the destination gamut

- **Horizontal** (lines of constant lightness)
- **Radial to a centre of Gravity**
  - Centre of lightness axis (Constant)
  - Lightness corresponding to the Chroma Cusp (variable)
- **Distance in CIELab**
  - To the colour boundary of the destination gamut that has the smallest distance (**HPMin $\Delta E$  Clipping**)

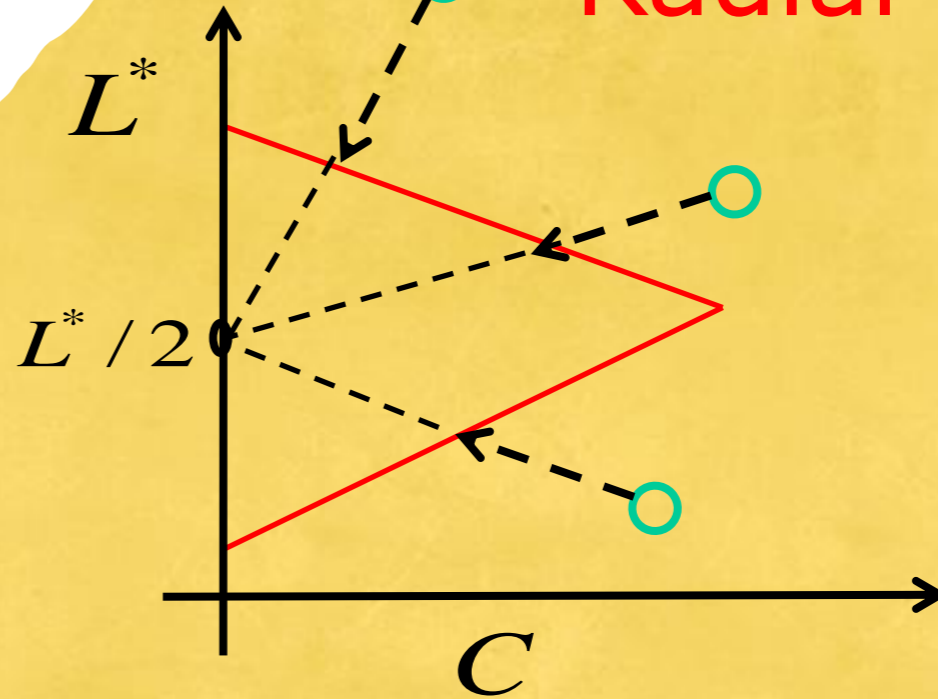


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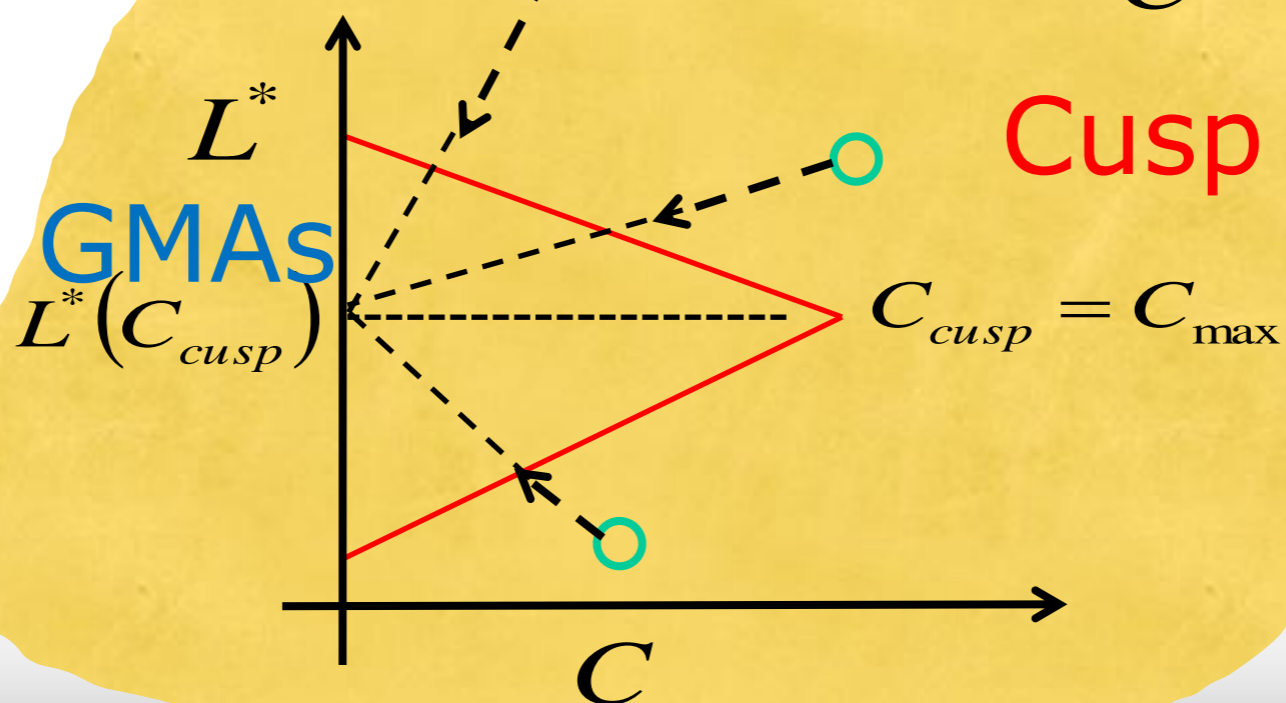
## $L^*$ Preservation



## Radial to $L^*/2$

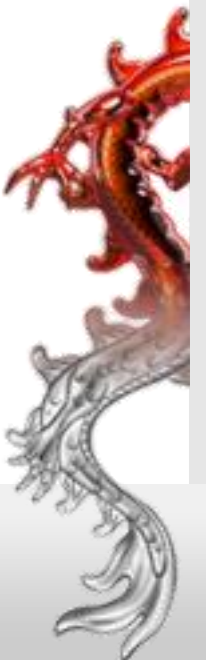


## Cusp Radial



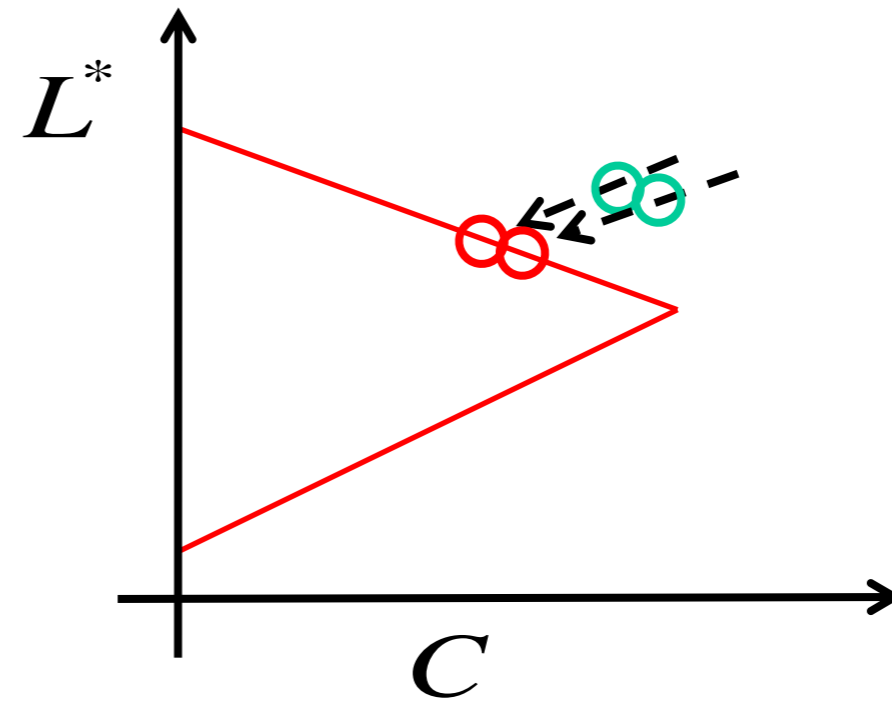
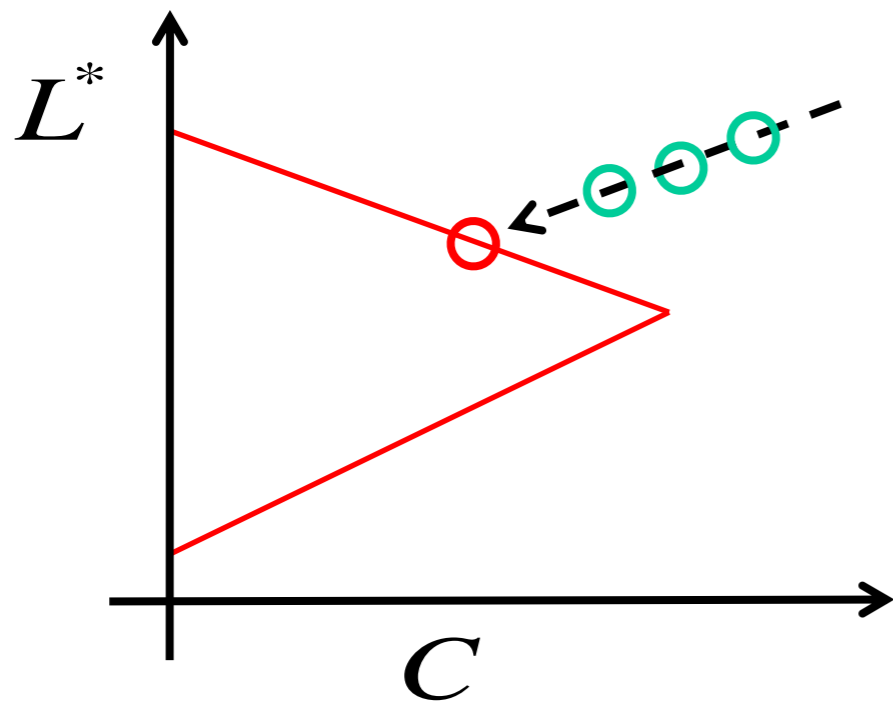
## Simultaneous GMAs

$$L^*(C_{cusp})$$

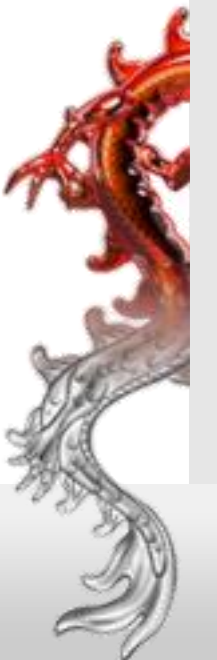


# Clipping – Major Drawbacks

## Erase Local Image variation (Details)



Preserve Saturation







# Point-wise Gamut Mapping Techniques



- **Compression**

It makes changes to all the colors of the source gamut to be accommodated into the destination gamut .

- **Linear**
- **Sigmoid**
- **Knee-function**

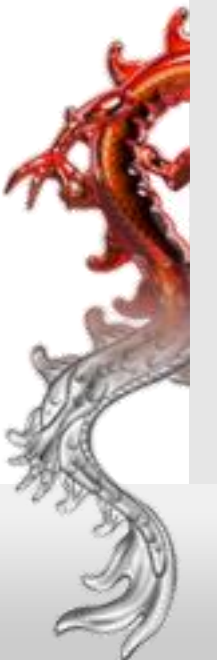
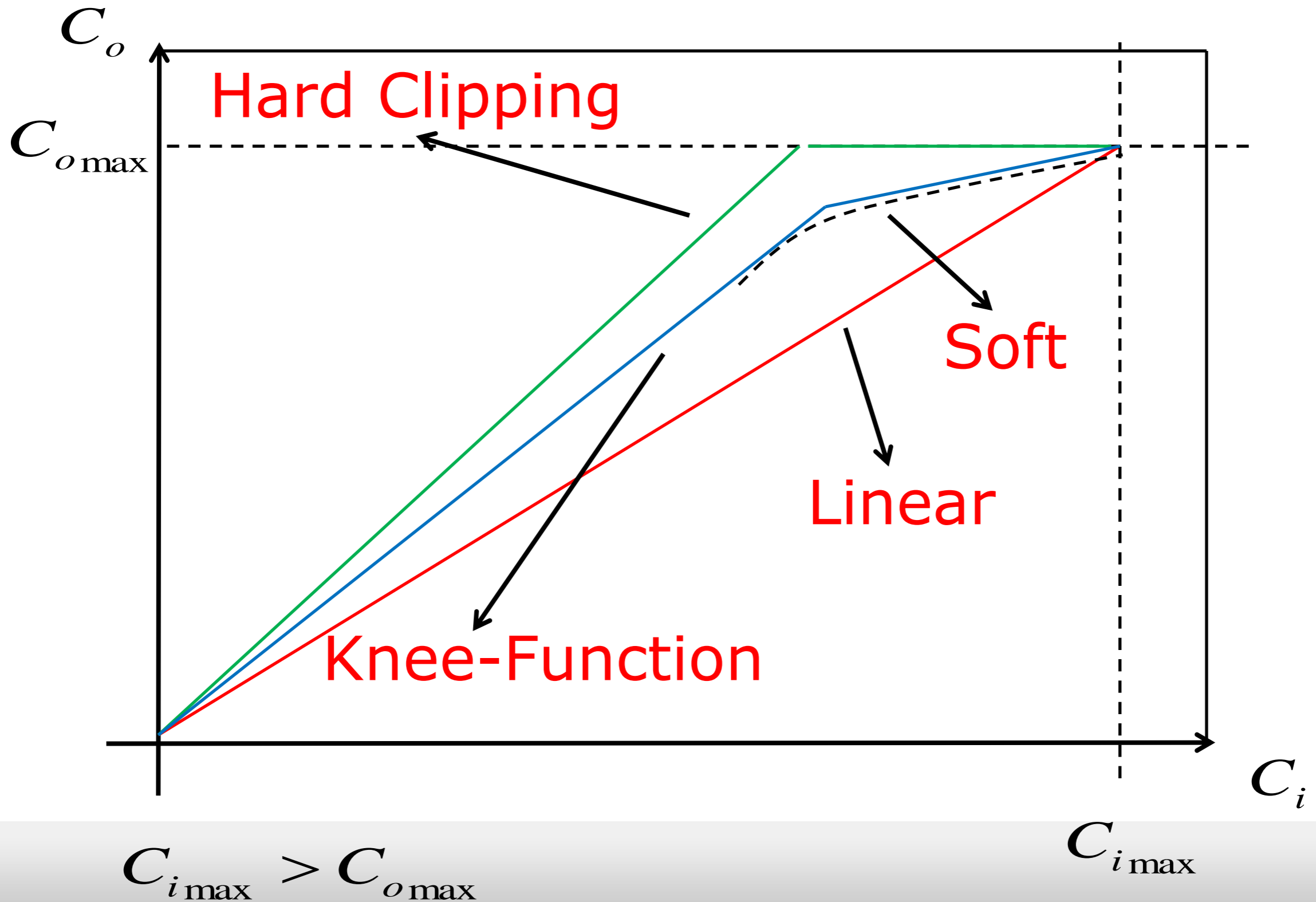
- **Parametric**

The behaviour change based on the shapes of the two gamut's (source and destination) at the hue angle, or it depends from user parameters. (Clipping and Compression)

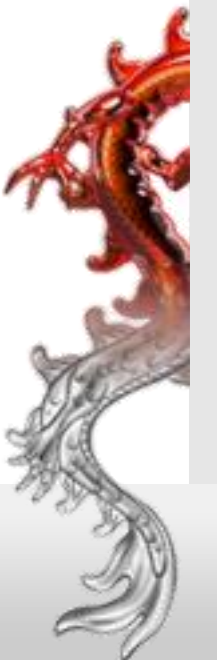
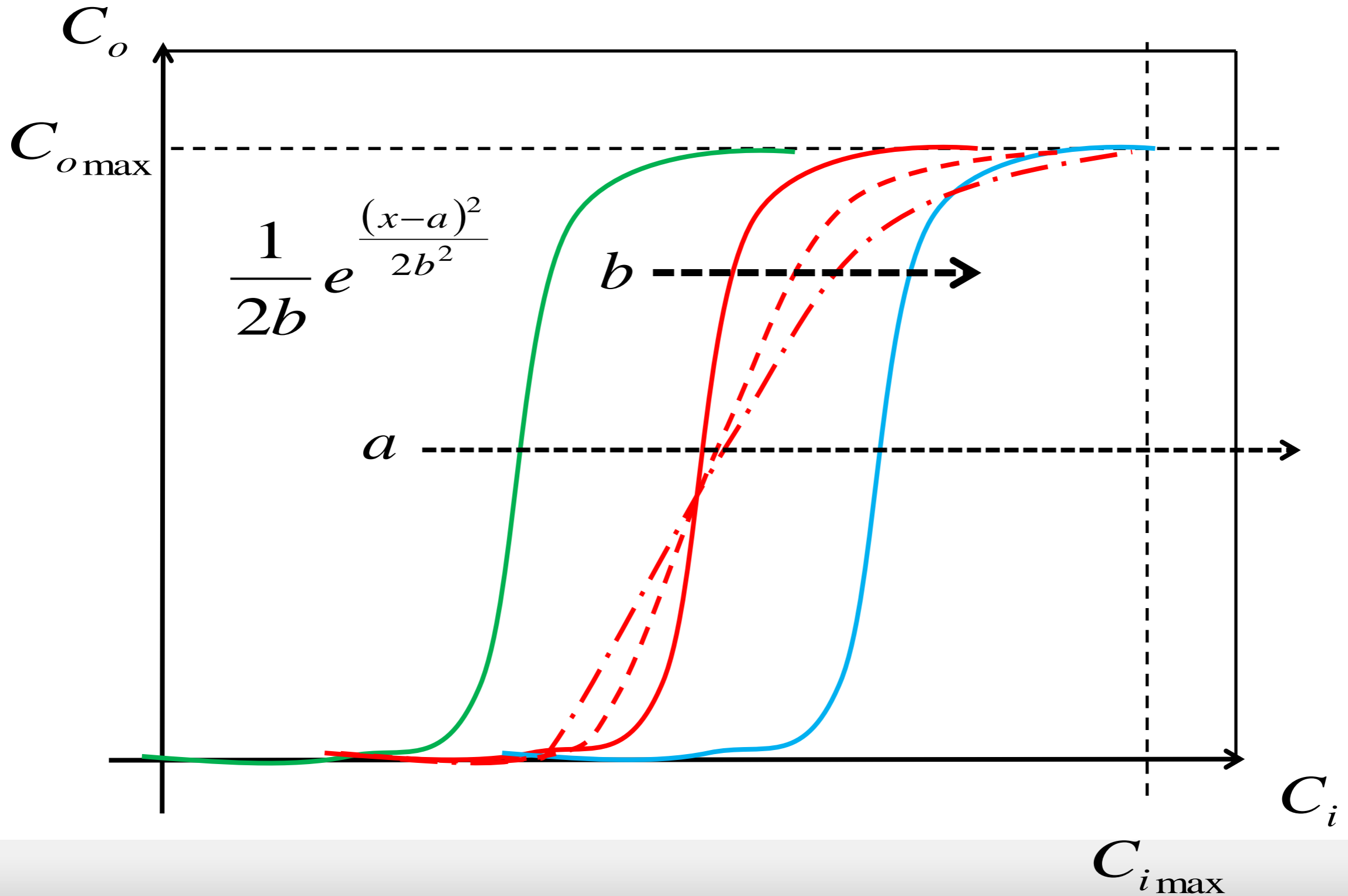




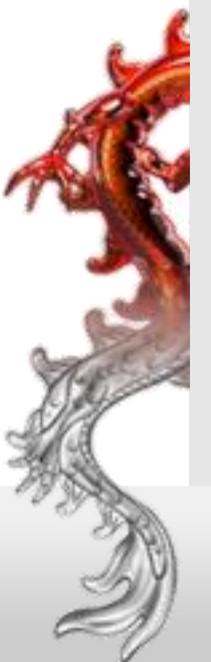
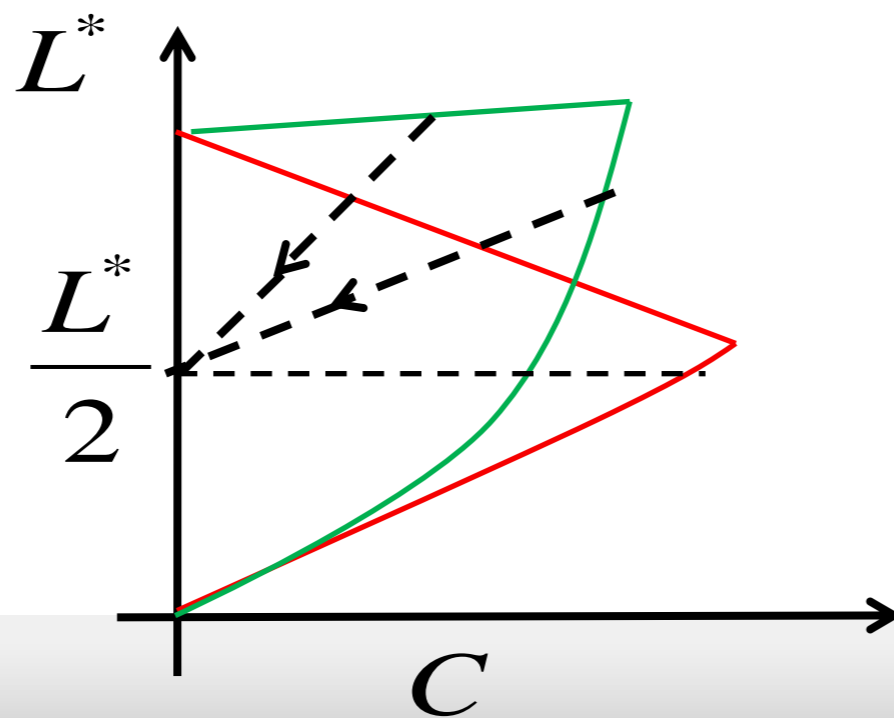
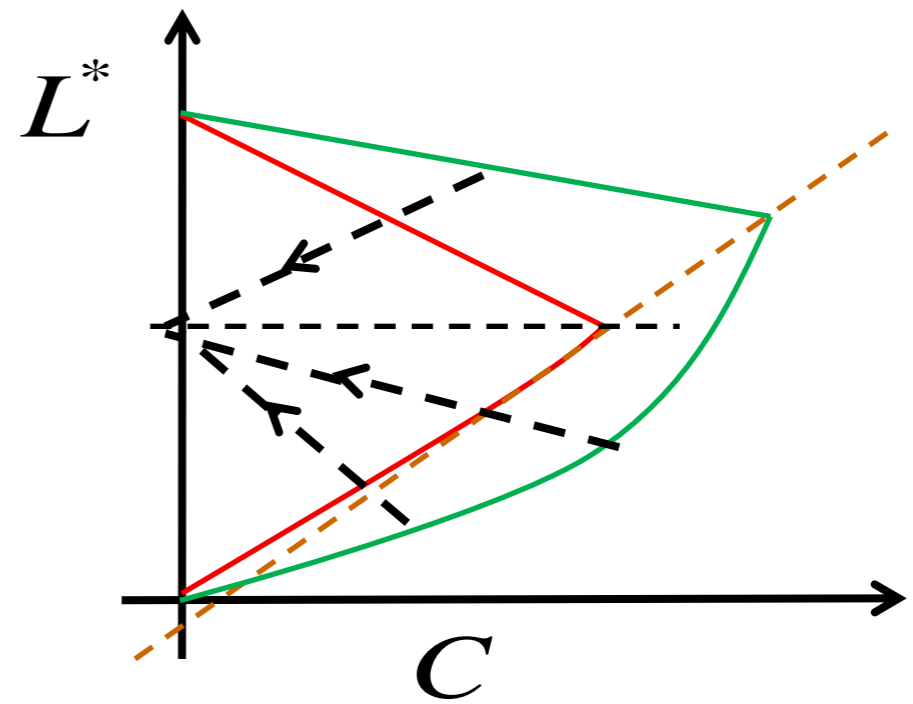
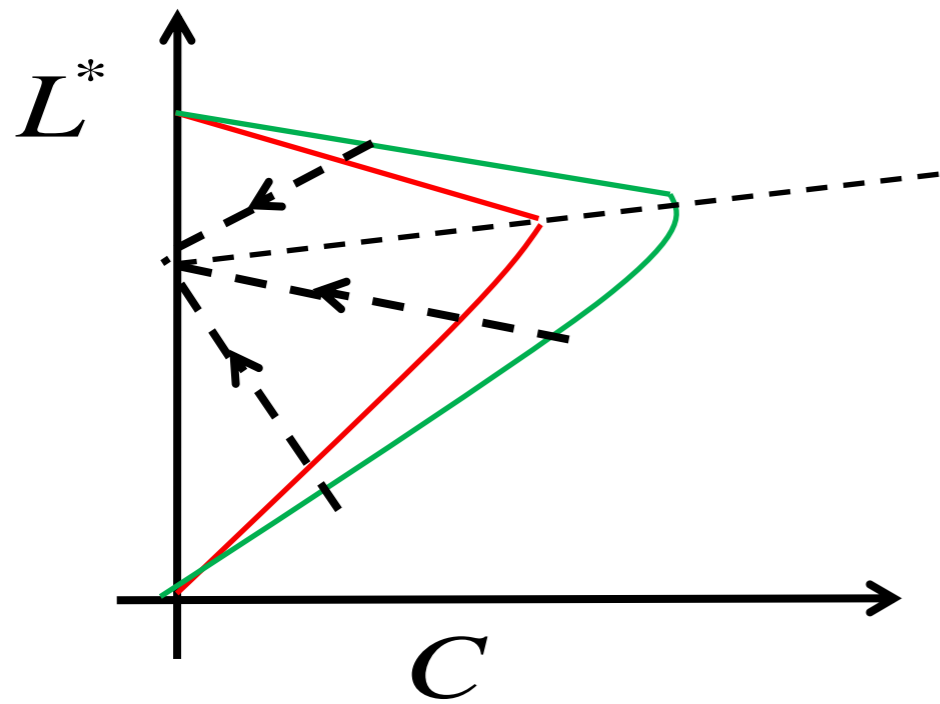
# Compression



# Compression



# Parametric



# Preservation of Spatial Details



- **Optimization**

Making use of Human Visual System Models minimize the perceived differences between the input and output image.

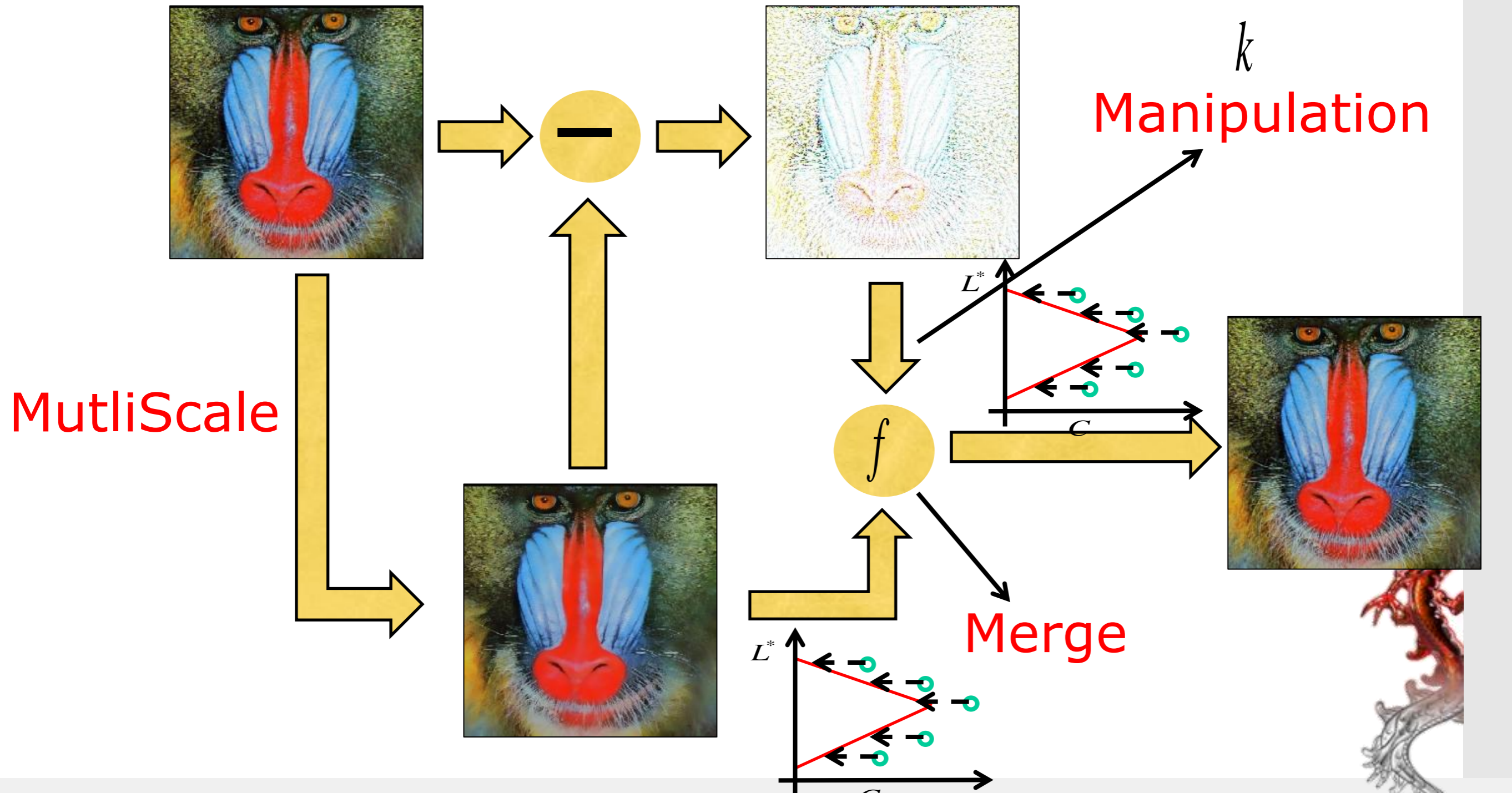
- **Multiscale**

Re-inserts high-frequency information content in the gamut mapped image (clipped).

- Clipping – loss of details
- General framework has been proposed that includes the different cases



# Preservation of Spatial Details



# Mantiuk et al. "Color Correction for Tone Mapping"

Automatic estimation of desaturation ( $s$ ) factor in function of contrast compression ( $c$ ) (non-linear color correction).

$$C_{out} = \left( \frac{C_{in}}{L_{in}} \right)^s L_{out} \quad \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad s(c) = \frac{(1 + k_1) c^{k_2}}{1 + k_1 c^{k_2}}$$

$k_1=2.3892, k_2=0.8552$

$s = f(c)$  determined based on results of perceptual experiment



# Mantiuk et al. "Color Correction for Tone Mapping"

luminance(  $C_{in}$  ) = luminance(  $C_{out}$  )

$$C_{out} = \left( \left( \frac{C_{in}}{L_{in}} - 1 \right) s + 1 \right)^{k_1} L_{out} \quad k_1=2.3892, k_2=0.8552$$

Unchanged luminance value after color correction  
(luminance preserving solution)

$$s(c) = \frac{(1 + k_1) c^{k_2}}{1 + k_1 c^{k_2}}$$


# Conclusions

- Works on high dynamic range imaging have mostly operated on luminance (lightness) information
  - some works start to appear proposing solution for color saturation, acquisition of colorimetric correct high dynamic range color values, and color appearance
- In Color Science a lot of works have been presented in the context of colorimetric characterisation, color appearance and gamut mapping on low dynamic range  $[0, 100]$ 
  - Some of these works have been extended or re-used for high dynamic range applications
  - Tone mapping can be seen as an extension or a particular case of gamut mapping (if we consider only the luminance information)
  - Many gamut mapping works started to analyse the details preservation on color information

**Low Dynamic Range  $[0, 100]$**





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