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Foreword

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This Technical Report is based on International Standard ISO/IEC 15775 and on the Draft International Multipart ISO/IEC fast track Standard DIS 19839-1 to -4:2001 which together are identical to the multipart standard DIN 33866-1 to -5. In 2002 it was decided at the Ballot Resolution Meeting on DIS ISO/IEC 19839-1 to -4 in Berlin to produce this Technical Report instead of a multipart International Standard.

Introduction

Background Information

This Technical Report is based on **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts with 16-step colour scales equally spaced in CIELAB. The International Standard ISO/IEC 15775 for the specification of image reproduction of colour copiers uses **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts with e. g. a 16 step colour scale between White W and Cyan-blue C which is equally spaced in CIELAB.

In image technology for the output of the colour series W – C the four device coordinates *cmYk* (Cyan-blue, Magenta-red, Yellow, Black) have been used for many years. If the coordinate of Cyan-blue is changed between zero and 1 and the other three are zero then the series W – C appears on the output, e. g. on an office colour laser printer or in offset printing.

Linear relation between device and CIELAB coordinates for office systems

There is much discussion in the field of image technology about the meaning of device coordinates, e. g. *cmYk* or *rgb*, for printers and monitors and their relation to the $L^*a^*b^*$ data of the device independent colour space CIELAB. The International Standard ISO/IEC 15775 has produced new ideas how to define more meaningful device coordinates which are called e. g. $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$. This Technical Report defines the calculation methods between the CIELAB coordinates $L^*a^*b^*$ of the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts and device * -coordinates (star-coordinates), e. g. $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$.

According to the International Technical Report ISO/IEC TR 19797 a **linear** relationship can be defined between e.g. the device coordinates $cmY0^*$ and the device independent coordinates LAB^* of the (absolute) CIELAB space. According to TR ISO/IEC 19797 the coordinate $c^* = 1$ produces the Cyan-blue colour if the others are zero, $c^* = 0$ produces the White reference paper and $c^* = 0,5$ produces a colour which is exactly in the middle in the CIELAB space between Cyan-blue C and White W. The CIELAB data of the 16-step colour series between White and Cyan-blue are calculated by the following linear equations

$$L^* = L^*_W + c^* (L^*_C - L^*_W) \quad (0 \leq c^* \leq 1)$$

and similarly for the CIELAB chroma data a^* and b^* . For the mean device value $c^*=0.5$ the CIELAB data are calculated as mean of the CIELAB data of Cyan-blue C and White W.

Multi-spectral CIELAB imaging and new device * -coordinates (star-coordinates)

If the analog ISO/IEC-test charts are scanned with the new multi-spectral technology then from the spectral reflection or transmission data of any pixel the CIELAB data can be determined. The devices with these properties are called CIELAB scanners or CIELAB cameras. By the calculation methods of ISO/IEC TR 19797 one can transfer the LAB^* data in the digital scan file to the device values such as $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$ in the digital scan file.

Digital ISO/IEC-test charts with new device * -coordinates (star-coordinates)

By the calculation methods of ISO/IEC TR 19797 one can transfer the LAB^* data of the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts to the device coordinates, e. g. $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$. The **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts are designed using this device data. The CIELAB colour differences between the seven basic colours CMYOLVN and the paper White W of the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts and the **standard colours of offset printing** are less than the CIELAB colour difference of $\Delta E^* = 3$. This is the ΔE^* tolerance value specified in ISO/IEC 15775 as reasonable for office equipment image technology. So instead of the production data of the present **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts the **standard colours of offset printing** are used as default device data, e. g. $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$, in the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts. Examples are shown in Annex I.

This Technical Report and ISO/IEC 15775

Table 0-1: Application of this Technical Report and ISO/IEC 15775 for specifying image reproduction

Input	Output	Input and output media and applications			Technical Report (TR) or Standard
		Input media	Output media	Application	
–	–	–	–	Basis	TR ISO/IEC 24705
analog	analog	ISO/IEC-test chart (hardcopy)	Hardcopy	Copier	ISO/IEC 15775
analog	digital	ISO/IEC-test chart (hardcopy)	File	Scanner	TR ISO/IEC 24705
digital	analog	ISO/IEC-test chart (file)	{ Hardcopy Softcopy	Printer Monitor	TR ISO/IEC 24705 TR ISO/IEC 24705

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Table 0-1 includes the applications of this Technical Report and ISO/IEC 15775 to specify image reproduction properties.

This Technical Report describes the classification and a basis for the production and application of **analog** and **digital ISO/IEC-test charts**. It describes methods for the specification of **image reproduction properties** of colour devices. The International Standard ISO/IEC 15775 and this Technical Report define visual and colorimetric methods to specify the image reproduction properties of colour systems. A colour system includes the black box between input and reproduction of digital or analog ISO/IEC-test charts.

The area of the colour copier devices with the reproduction process “**analog – analog**” is excluded here as this area is already covered by the International Standard ISO/IEC 15775. There is a close relationship to the other reproduction process types “**analog – digital**” and “**digital – analog**” which require similar specification methods and corresponding **digital** and **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts. The different reproduction processes are defined in ISO/IEC 15775 and this Technical Report.

This Technical Report consists of:

Section 2. to 6.: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour systems by **digital** and **analog** test charts – Classification and principles.

Section 7. to 9.: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour systems by **digital** input and **analog** output as **hardcopy** for colour image reproduction devices: “**digital – analog**” (Printers) – Application and realisation.

Section 10. to 12.: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour systems by **analog** input and **digital** output for colour image reproduction devices: “**analog – digital**” (Scanners) – Application and realisation

Section 13. to 15.: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour systems by **digital** input and **analog** output as **softcopy** for colour image reproduction devices: “**digital – analog**” (Monitors) – Application and realisation.

Equal relative CIELAB spacing of analog and digital ISO/IEC-test charts

This Technical Report is based on **analog and digital** ISO/IEC-test charts. The **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts are equally spaced in CIELAB between white W and the six colours CMYOLV and black N.



Figure 0-1: Equal relative CIELAB spacing of 16 steps for different hue and lightness

Fig. 0-1 shows on the left side 16 equally spaced steps in the CIELAB colour space between White W and the six chromatic colours CMYOLV. This spacing is realized in **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts by different manufacturers.

On the right two equally spaced series between White–Orange-red (W –O) and White–Cyan-blue (W–C) are shown on both monitors and printers. It is intended here to have equal **relative** spacing in the CIELAB colour space on both the printer and monitor under standard office conditions. Standard office conditions for colour control are defined by the standard daylight CIE illuminant D65 and approximately equal luminance of the white monitor and the illuminated white paper (e. g. in special cases in a light booth). This Technical Report and the figure on the right side assume a monitor black with the CIELAB lightness $L^*=18$ as standard. This lightness is produced by a standard luminance reflectance $Y_r=2,5$ of the standard ambient light on the monitor surface.

For chromatic colours, equal CIELAB data on the monitor and for printer output are not intended. A **relative** reproduction is intended which has the following main advantages for the 16-step colour series of the ISO/IEC-test charts:

1. All Landolt-rings are recognized on both devices for the light (0–1), the medium (7–8) and the dark steps (E-F).
2. The recognition of the rings is optimized because the largest possible CIELAB difference is produced.
3. The whole device output colour space is filled which is desired by many applications, e. g. digital photography.
4. Linearized device systems need much less measurement data for profiling compared to unlinearized data.

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5. The **relative** reproduction is approximately an **absolute** reproduction, e. g. if the reflective analog ISO/IEC-test charts or other originals are reproduced on printers with 8 basic colours similar to the 8 standard offset colours.

NOTE: When the CIELAB data of ICC profiles which are used to map the CIELAB input colours on the output device do **not** include the information about the 8 device colours then the above simple **relative** reproduction between the input and output space is very complicated. For example one must change all hues differently.

The **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts are equally spaced in digital coordinates between 0 and 1. Different device coordinates, e. g. $cmY0^*$, $000n^*$, w^* and olV^* are used in the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts. The star (*) indicates a linear relationship between the digital device coordinates, e. g. $cmY0^*$, and the CIELAB coordinates $L^*a^*b^*$.

NOTE: The International Technical Report ISO/IEC 19797 describes the linearization methods between device coordinates, e. g. $cmY0^*$, and the CIELAB coordinates $L^*a^*b^*$.

Production of analog ISO/IEC-test charts according to ISO/IEC 15775 from digital test charts

Anyone may produce ISO/IEC-test charts. To do this it is recommended that use the digital ISO/IEC-test chart files be downloaded from the recommended servers. A producer may include a free digital image which must include the standard 16 step series of the grey scale and the 14 CIE-test colours when the image is taken. According to the International Standard ISO/IEC 15775 any ISO/IEC-test chart producer must publish digital ISO/IEC-test chart files with the standard image in 5 resolutions which correspond to the analog ISO/IEC-test charts of the production. Test charts which correspond to the principles of ISO/IEC 15775 have been published in Germany by DIN as DIN-test charts according to DIN 33866-1 to 5 and in Japan by JBMIA as Asian ISO/IEC-test charts according to ISO/IEC 15775. There are corresponding digital ISO/IEC-test charts on different servers in different resolutions (see Annex N).

Applications and limitations of this Technical Report

This Technical Report includes the basic principles for the application of ISO/IEC-test charts for colour reproduction devices such as for colour printers, colour scanners, colour monitors, colour displays, digital cameras, the Photo-CD system and overhead devices, which can input (scan, read) or output (reproduce, display) **analog** or **digital** test charts.

For this the **analog** and **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts include different image line and character elements, as well as Siemens-stars and Landolt-rings in different colours and contrast combinations. Additionally 14 CIE-test colours as well as 5- and 16-step colour series with equal spacing are included. The specification of image reproduction is based on the differences between **digital** or **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts and their reproduction, especially in terms of resolution, relative luminance and colour.

The layout, content and requirements for the production of the ISO/IEC-test charts are defined in ISO/IEC 15775.

The ISO/IEC-test charts are defined for CIE illuminant D65, the CIE 2 degree observer, the CIE 45/0 geometry and with a three thickness backing of white paper for measurement and visual evaluation. For colour control in offices the recommended illumination of 1000 lux of the CIE is used, which corresponds to $282 (= 1000 / 3,14 \times 0,886)$ cd/m² for the white reference paper of the ISO/IEC-test charts. A monitor in a modern office has about the same luminance for the white screen. Therefore the white luminance $L_W = 300$ cd/m² and the same chromaticity as CIE daylight D65 is recommended. Therefore no chromatic or luminance adaptation is required and only the CIELAB data are required for the visual and colorimetric application within this Technical Report. For colorimetric evaluation of monitors the lightness $L_N^* = 18$ of Black N and $L_W^* = 95$ of white W of the analog ISO/IEC-test chart no. 3 is normalized to the same data for the monitor. See Annex M.

The ISO/IEC-test charts are defined and available in different device coordinates, e. g. $cmY0^*$, w^* , olV^* , $000n^*$, and the absolute CIELAB coordinates $L^*a^*b^*$. See Annex N. This Annex recommends three digital ISO/IEC-test charts for the tests according to this Technical Report, but additionally other ISO/IEC-test charts of the list can be used if appropriate. The test report requires that the forms of Annex A to Annex F be included. The ISO/IEC-test charts of the tests appear in Annex E and Annex F.

The tests use the same test elements as for the test of colour copiers. See ISO/IEC 15775 and Annex N. The colour series between White W and CMYOLV is tested but e.g. the series between Black and CMYOLV are not included in ISO/IEC 15775. The last series are usually approximately equally spaced in relative CIELAB if the series Black – White is equally spaced.

There is no preference of this Technical Report for any operating system, application software, or device driver. These properties are within a “black box” which influence the workflow of the device systems “digital – analog” (printer and monitor systems) or “analog – digital” (scanner systems) between input and output.

Different CIE illuminants D65 and D50 in different International Standards

In this Technical Report, in ISO/IEC 15775 and in the monitor standard IEC 61966-2 the CIE illuminant D65 is recommended.

NOTE: The International Standard IEC 61966-7-1 measures the CIELAB output colours for RGB input data for the CIE illuminant D50.

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Method of specifying image reproduction of colour devices by digital and analog test charts

1. Scope

The colour reproduction properties of office devices, e.g. printers, scanners and monitors, may depend on the device system, which includes e.g. the device properties and settings, the device driver, the file format, the computer operating system and the application software.

The method of this Technical Report is to test how the reproduction changes if one or several of the parameters are varied, such as the device properties or settings, the device driver, the file format, the computer operating system, the colour space, and the application software. This allows manufacturers and users to get a feeling or data about the influence of the different parameters on the reproduction.

2. Normative References

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

- ISO 216:1975, *Writing paper and certain classes of printed matter – Trimmed sizes – A and B series*
- ISO 536:1995, *Paper and board – Determination of grammage*
- ISO 554:1976, *Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing – Specifications*
- ISO 2469:1994, *Paper, board and pulps – Measurement of diffuse reflectance factor*
- ISO 2471:1998, *Paper and board – Determination of opacity (paper backing) – Diffuse reflectance method*
- ISO 2846-1:1997, *Graphic technology – Colour and transparency of ink sets for four-colour-printing – Part 1: Sheet-fed and heat-set web offset lithographic printing*
- ISO 3664:2000, *Viewing conditions – Graphic technology and photography*
- ISO 5627:1995, *Paper and board – Determination of smoothness (Bekk method)*
- ISO 5651:1989, *Paper board and pulps – Units for expressing properties*
- ISO 5737:1983, *Prints – Preparation of standard prints for optical tests*
- ISO 7724-1:1984, *Paints and varnishes – Colorimetry – Part 1: Principles*
- ISO 7724-3:1984, *Paints and varnishes – Colorimetry – Part 3: Calculation of colour differences*
- ISO 8596:1994, *Ophthalmic optics – Visual acuity testing – Standard optotype and its presentation*
- ISO 8597:1994, *Optics and optical instruments – Visual acuity testing – Method of correlating optotypes*
- ISO 13655:1996, *Graphic technology – Spectral measurement and colorimetric computation for graphic arts images*
- ISO 12641:1997, *Graphic technology – Prepress digital data exchange – Colour targets for input scanner calibration*
- ISO/IEC 15775: 1999, *Information technology – Office machines – Method of specifying image reproduction of colour copying machines by digital and analog test charts – Realisation and application*
- ISO/CIE 10526:1991, *CIE standard colorimetric illuminants*
- ISO/CIE 10527:1991, *CIE standard colorimetric observers*
- CIE-pub. 13.3:1995, *Colour rendering – Method of Measuring and Specifying Colour Rendering Properties of Light Sources*
- CIE-pub. 15.2:1986, *Colorimetry*
- DIN 6160:1996, *Anomaloscopes for the diagnosis of red-green colour vision deficiencies (or equivalent)*
- DIN 33866-1: 2000, *Information technology – Office machines – Colour image reproduction devices, Part 1: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour devices by **digital** and **analog** test charts – Classification and principles*
- DIN 33866-2: 2000, *Information technology – Office machines – Colour image reproduction devices – Method of specifying image reproduction of colour copiers by analog test charts – Application and realisation*

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DIN 33866-3: 2000, *Information technology – Office machines – Colour image reproduction devices, Part 3: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour devices by **digital** input and **analog** output as **hardcopy** for colour image reproduction devices: “**digital – analog**” (Printers) – Application and realisation*

DIN 33866-4: 2000, *Information technology – Office machines – Colour image reproduction devices, Part 4: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour devices by **analog** input and **digital** output for colour image reproduction devices: “**analog – digital**” (Scanners) – Application and realisation*

DIN 33866-5: 2000, *Information technology – Office machines – Colour image reproduction devices, Part 5: Method of specifying image reproduction of colour devices by **digital** input and **analog** output as **softcopy** for colour image reproduction devices: “**digital – analog**” (Monitors) – Application and realisation*

DIN 58220-5:1996, *Test of visual acuity – Part 5: General test of vision*

ITU-R Recommendation BT.709-3:1998, *Parameter Values for the HDTV Standards for Production and International Programme Exchange*

IEC 61966-2-1: 1999, *Multimedia systems and equipment - Colour measurement and management - Part 2-1: Colour management - Default RGB colour space - sRGB*

IEC 61966-7-1: 2001, *Multimedia systems and equipment - Colour measurement and management - Part 7-1: colour printers - reflective prints - RGB inputs*

IEC/CIE publ. 17.4: 1987, *International lighting vocabulary, 4th edition, Joint publication IEC/CIE*

ISO/IEC TR 19797: 2003, *Device output of 16-step colour scales, output linearization method (LM) and specification of the reproduction properties*

3. Terms and definitions

3.1 Definitions

For the purpose of this Technical Report, the following definitions apply.

3.1.1 colour rendering

relation between the original colour of an object and its reproduction colour, either exclusively under another illuminant or additionally after passing through a transfer process

NOTE For calculation with the colours of this Technical Report, see Annex G.

3.1.2 original colour

the perceived colour of an object for the reference condition which is being referred to at the assessment of the colour rendering

3.1.3 non-luminous (perceived) colour

colour of a non-luminous colour, i. e. an area that requires a reflecting light for its appearance

3.1.4 standard tristimulus values X, Y, Z colorimetric parameters L^*, a^*, b^*

describe the psycho-physical colour

NOTE 1 Standard tristimulus values X, Y, Z are mostly obtained as an immediate result of a colour measurement

NOTE 2 As standard tristimulus values X, Y, Z only allow statements referring to equality of two colours, for statements made beyond that, e. g. concerning the kind and size of colour differences, non-linear transformations of X, Y, Z into other colorimetric parameters systems, preferably into the colorimetric parameters L^*, a^*, b^* , are necessary.

3.1.5 colour difference ΔE^*

see CIE publ. 15.2, page 95

3.1.6 lightness L^*

see CIE publ. 15.2, page 95

3.1.7 chroma C^*

see CIE publ. 15.2, page 95

3.1.8**Landolt-ring**

standard optotype defined by a ring with an open segment which can be in eight different positions

3.1.9**halftone technique**

production of intermediate tones such as grey using only black and white pixels

NOTE In offset printing a halftone cell of a square width 0,16 mm may be filled by 16 x 16 single points with the square width 0,01 mm. This technique allows 256 grey steps which are not visually equally spaced.

3.1.10**continuous tone technique**

production of mean tones, e. g. grey, by density variation of the (black) colorant

NOTE: In continuous tone (photographic) technique for the test chart material in A4 size the cells (or pixels) of the square width 0,16 mm may be filled by 16 x 16 single points with the square width 0,01 mm.

3.1.11***-image ("star-image")**

includes colours defined by the colorimetric parameters $L^*a^*b^*$ of the CIELAB colour system.

NOTE: The *-image ("star-image") includes colours (of the colour pixels or areas) which are defined either in absolute (LAB^*) or relative (lab^*) coordinates

3.1.12***'-image ("star-prime-image")**

includes colours produced by a standard reproduction process of a colour device and is different than the *-image

NOTE: The *'-image ("star-prime-image") has different colorimetric parameters (*'-coordinates) compared to the *-image ("star-image") with $L^*a^*b^*$ parameters defined either in absolute (LAB^*) or relative (lab^*) coordinates

3.1.13***'-image ("prime-star-image")**

is produced by the standard reproduction process of a colour device and is different than the *-image ("star-image").

NOTE: The *'-image ("prime-star-image") is called the inverse image and includes $L^*a^*b^*$ parameters defined either in absolute (LAB^*) or relative (lab^*) coordinates

3.1.14**standard image transformation**

changes a *-image ("star-image") into a *'-image ("star-prime-image") (Fig. 1) or changes a *'-image ("prime-star-image") into a *-image ("star-image") (Fig. 2)

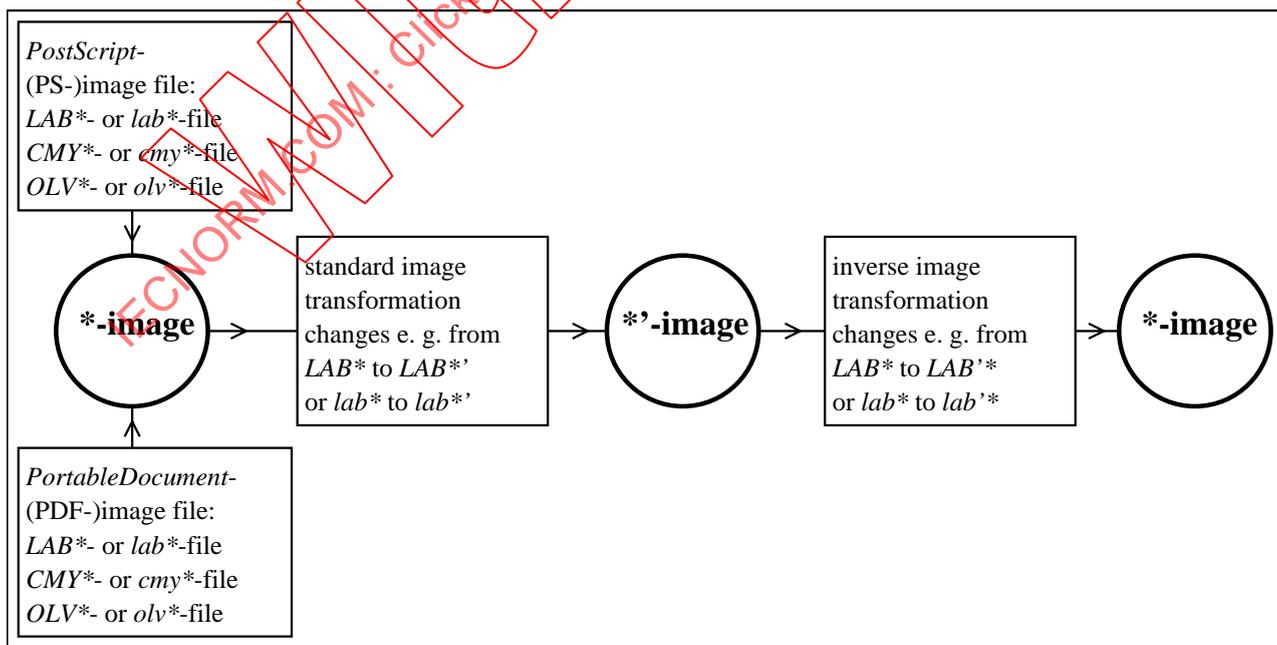


Figure 1: Standard and inverse image transformation

NOTE Fig. 1 shows that the standard image transformation changes a *-image ("star-image") into a *'-image

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("star-prime-image") and that the inverse image transformation changes a '*-image ("star-prime-image") into a *-image ("star-image"). There may be small differences between the input (in) and output (ou) in real applications.

3.1.15 inverse image transformation

changes a *-image ("star-image") into a '*-image ("prime-star-image") (Fig. 2) or changes a '*-image ("star-prime-image") into a *-image ("star-image") (Fig. 1)

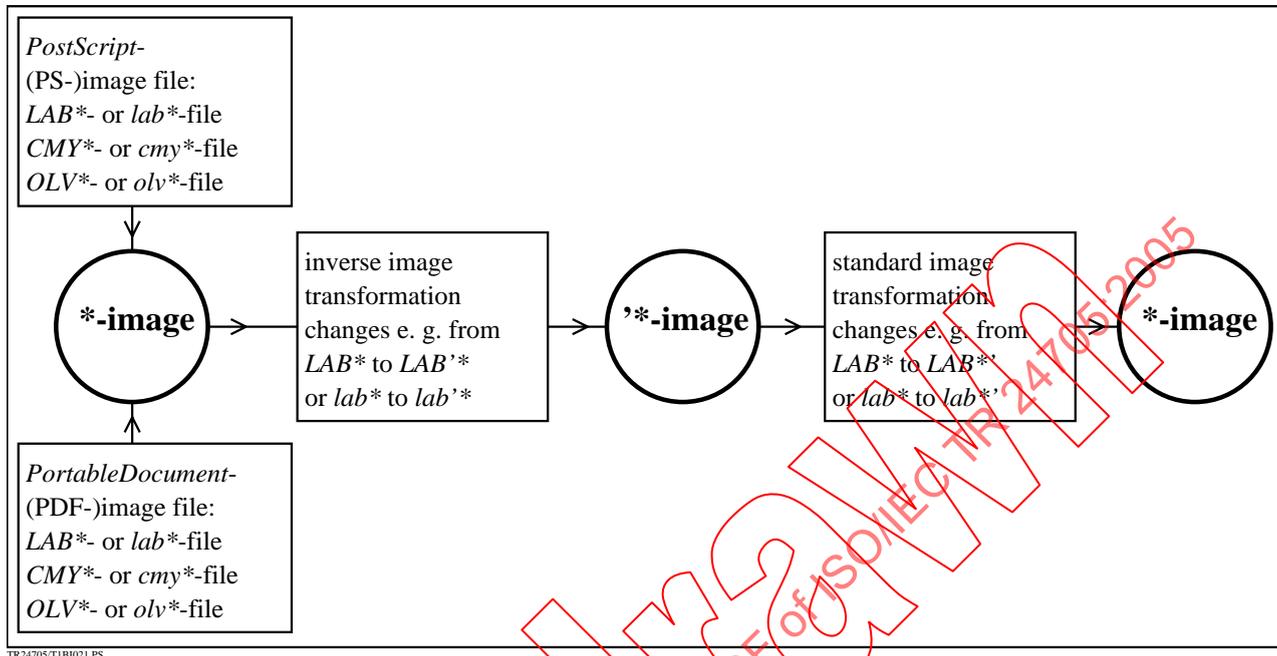


Figure 2: Inverse and standard image transformation

NOTE Fig. 2 shows that the inverse image transformation changes a '*-image ("star-prime-image") into a *-image ("star-image") and that the standard image transformation changes a *-image ("star-prime-image") into a '*-image ("star-image"). There may be small differences between the input (in) and output (ou) in real applications.

3.1.16 additive mixed colours

mixture of three colour lights

3.1.17 subtractive mixed colours

mixture of three colorants (pigments)

3.1.18 hardcopy

output (copy) of an image, typically on paper or film material

3.1.19 softcopy

output (copy) of an image, typically on a monitor or display

3.1.20 scanner

electronic device which illuminates an object, e. g. a sheet of paper or a photography, and digitizes the image of the object

NOTE It is possible to illuminate a transparent material (e. g. negative or positive film) to digitize the image on the transparency.

3.1.21 scanner system

based on hardware and software which produces a changed '*-image ("star-prime-image") from a scanned *-image ("star-image") with the achromatic colour data (w^* or n^*) or the chromatic colour data (cmy^* or olv^*).

NOTE The changed "star-prime-image" has the achromatic colour data (w^{**} or n^{**}) or the chromatic colour data (cmy^{**} or olv^{**}).

3.1.22 digital output data of a scanner system

include digital ** -coordinates ("star-prime-coordinates") with one (e. g. w^{**} or n^{**}), three (e. g. olv^{**} or cmv^{**}), four (e. g. $olvw^{**}$ or $cmvyn^{**}$), eight ($olvwcmvyn^{**}$) or more digital output levels per pixel within a digital area of 4 bit (16 steps), 8 bit (256 steps) up to 16 bit (256 x 256 = 65 000 steps).

NOTE 1 The relative ** -coordinates ("star-coordinates") describe the equally spaced colour series in the CIELAB colour space for offset printing. The CIELAB coordinates for offset printing are defined in Table 6.

NOTE 2: The 16-step colour series (e. g. white–black or white–Cyan–blue) for ISO/IEC-test chart 1 and 2 are visually equally spaced in the CIELAB colour space. An ideal scanner system produces for these steps digital ** -image data which are for n^{**} or c^{**} equally spaced in 16 steps in the decimal range 0 to 1, or the hexadecimal range 0 to F, 00 to FF, or 0000 to FFFF.

NOTE 3 In general a scanner system will try to produce relative digital output values ** -coordinates ("star-prime-coordinates") nearly the same as the relative ** -coordinates ("star-coordinates") for the digital input data.

3.2 Colours in colour metrics, printing and television

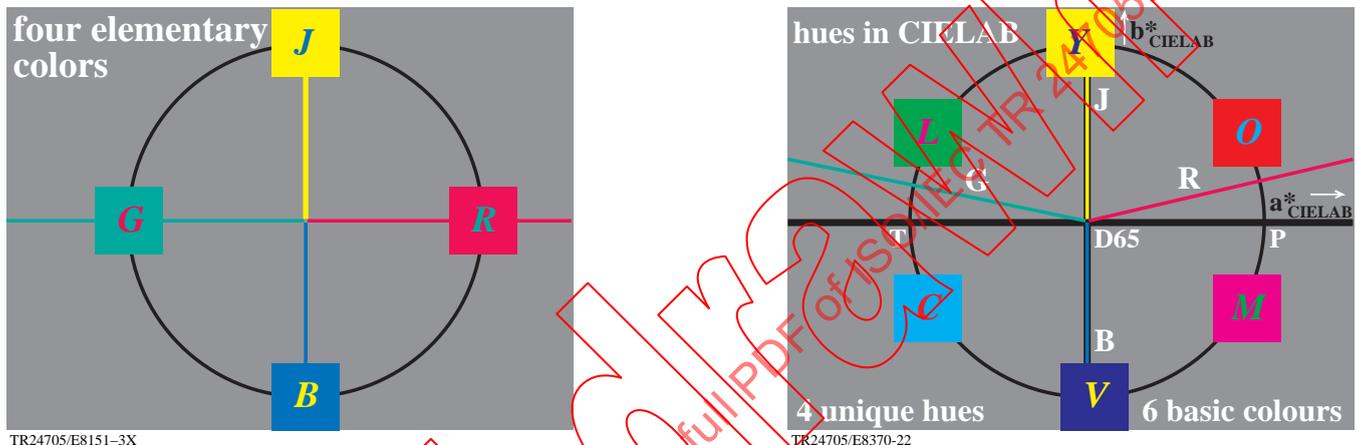


Figure 3: Four elementary and six reproduction colours relative to the CIELAB chroma axes a^*, b^*

The colour metrics is based on visual elementary colours with the terms $R, G, B,$ and J for red, green, blue, and yellow („ $RGBJ$ “) with e. g. yellow J as neither greenish nor reddish or red R as neither yellowish nor blueish. The defined colours for (colour) printing and (colour) television differ significantly from the elementary colours and it is required therefore to have other names. The terms „ $CMYOLV$ “ (C = Cyan-blue, M = Magenta-red, Y = Yellow, O = Orange-red, L = Leaf-green, V = Violet-blue) are most appropriate for the visual appearance. Fig. 3 shows the four elementary hues in a symmetric hue circle (left) and the four and six hues relative to the chroma axes a^*, b^* of the CIELAB colour space (right)

Table 1: Terms for achromatic colours, elementary colours and reproduction colours

Achromatic colours	Elementary colours "Neither-nor"-colours	Reproduction colours Television (TV), Print (PR) Photography (PH)
<i>five achromatic colours:</i>	<i>four elementary colours:</i>	<i>six reproduction colours:</i>
N black (french noir)	R red	C cyanblue
D dark grey	<i>neither yellowish nor blueish</i>	M magentared
Z central grey	G green	Y yellow
H light grey	<i>neither yellowish nor blueish</i>	O orangered
W white	B blue	L leafgreen
	<i>neither greenish nor reddish</i>	V violetblue
	J yellow (french jaune)	
	<i>neither greenish nor reddish</i>	

The chromatic colours ($CMYOLV$)_{PR} and ($CMYOLV$)_{TV} defined in printing (PR) and television (TV) differ very much. For example, violet-blue_{PR} and violet-blue_{TV} have a CIELAB colour difference of 74 (see Table 14).

NOTE: There is no generally accepted definition of the photographic (PH) colours.

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In the International Standard ISO/IEC 15775, the colours $(OLV)_{PR}$ and $(OLV)_{TV}$ are called *OLV* and *RGB*. This distinction is necessary because the colours $(OLV^*)_{PR} = OLV^*$ of the ISO/IEC-test chart 4 (in halftone offset printing) may be reproduced as colours OLV^* on the monitor (absolute reproduction as far as possible) or as colours $(OLV^*)_{TV} = RGB^*$ (relative reproduction). The goal of this Technical Report is a „relative image reproduction“ within $\Delta E^* < 3$. See Fig. 1.

The colorimetric data L^*, a^*, b^* (compare 2.1.4) describe the achromatic colours by the visual attribute lightness L^* as well as the chromatic colours in red-green-(*RG*-)direction by the visual attribute *RG*-chroma a^* , and the chromatic colours in yellow-blue-(*JB*-)direction by the visual attribute *JB*-chroma b^* (see 2.1.6 and 2.1.7).

4. ISO/IEC-test charts

4.1 General

The layout, content and requirements for production of ISO/IEC-test charts are defined in ISO/IEC 15775. Eight examples in the two main colour spaces CMYN (CMYK) and OLV (RGB) are given in Annex I.

Analog ISO/IEC-test charts are produced in the standard format A4¹⁾ in high resolution (e.g. 3600 dpi in halftone technique and 300 dpi in continuous tone technique) with intended low tolerances for the included colours („produced colours“) compared to the standard CIE-test colours and the visually equally spaced colour series („intended colours“) both defined in the CIELAB colour space. The intended colours are defined in CIE-publ. 13.3. The basic colours $(CMY)_{PR}$ of offset printing are defined in ISO 2846-1:1997 in Table D3, and the basic colours of television $(RGB)_{TV}$ in ITU-R BT.709-3.

The **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts have been developed from the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts. At the same time, the reference colours of the analog ISO/IEC-test charts form the basis for the digital ISO/IEC-test charts.

4.2 Content and purpose of ISO/IEC-test charts

The test charts 1 to 4 include a frame area and a picture area. The frame area is similar in all ISO/IEC-test charts and is described in 4.2.1. The image area is different in ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 and is described in the sections from 4.2.2.1 to 4.2.2.4.

4.2.1 Content and purpose of the frame area

ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 contain a picture area surrounded by a frame area. The frame area is the same in all ISO/IEC-test charts. The content and purpose of the frame as well as the visual tests are described here. The picture area is described in 4.2.2 separately for ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4.

In the frame area there are different text and image elements: text with codes for identification, rectangles, 5-step grey scales, and position marks.

NOTE 1: The output of the frame area may differ when reproducing achromatic and chromatic digital ISO/IEC-test charts. For example, if text mode (T) and not colour modes (C) is chosen for the achromatic test chart 1 or test chart 3 or if colour modes (C) is chosen for the output of the chromatic digital test charts 2 and 4.

NOTE 2: The achromatic digital ISO/IEC-test charts 1 and 3 are given for the output in text and colour modes. The digital file version number includes the codes TS, CS, TD and CD. The first letter describes the text modes (T) or colour modes (C) and the second the file format *PostScript* (S) or *Portable Document* (D)²⁾. There may be output differences between the output in PS and PDF, so the format used must be specified.

Use of text with codes for identification:

Content:

The text in the frame region may describe the ISO/IEC-test chart number, the ISO/IEC-BAM-identification code, the ISO/IEC-BAM-reference material code³⁾, the image file version of the test chart, and ordering information depending on the manufacturer.

¹⁾ For test charts in continuous tone the size may be different for technical reasons. The size must be at least 195 mm x 282 mm and it is required that the inner rectangle of the frame area be included. (See 4.2.1).

²⁾ *Adobe PostScript* (PS) and *Portable Document Format* (PDF) are registered trade marks of Adobe.

³⁾ *BAM*: Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing, VIII.3901 “Visual methods and Image Reproduction for NDT”, Unter den Eichen 87, D-12200 Berlin, Germany

Purpose:

The text is for identification of the ISO/IEC-test chart. To fill out forms E and F the following informations are necessary: test chart text (bottom text), identification code, material code, and the image file version of test charts (see Annex E and F).

Visual test:

There is no visual test of text in frame region.

Test of copied lines of rectangle:

NOTE: An ISO/IEC-reference test chart satisfies the methods of this Technical Report if there are at least complete lines for the *inner (thicker line)* rectangle. For this purpose there are between 4 and 20 lines on an ISO/IEC-test chart.

Content:

On the test charts there are up to five rectangles which are 4 mm smaller on each side. The outer rectangle is defined by the A4 format (297 mm x 210 mm).

Purpose:

The five frame rectangles help to detect the size of the device reproduction area visually.

Visual Test:

In a visual test the number of lines on the ISO/IEC-test chart should be compared with the number of lines reproduced.

Test of 5-step grey scales:**Content:**

There are four grey scales with equally spaced steps near the four position marks.

NOTE: The grey samples in test charts 1 and 3 are the same as the 5-step samples of picture A2 or C2 respectively. There are no 5-step grey scales in test charts 2 and 4 for direct comparison.

Purpose:

Agreement test of the four grey scales. Differences can be found by visual comparison of the four grey scales.

Visual test:

In an approximated test a Yes or No decision is to be made if one can clearly see visual differences of the four grey scales. If the four are different a test result must indicate the most different grey scale compared to the average. A test result must also indicate the direction of deviation (darker or lighter) compared to the average.

Test of x- and y-scale factors by width and height of the inner (thicker) rectangle:**Content:**

The inner (thicker) rectangle is 16 mm smaller in width and height compared to the outer rectangle of the A4 format (297 mm x 210 mm).

Purpose:

The width and height of the inner rectangle serve to measure the x- and y-scale factors of the image reproduction device.

Test: The width and height is to be measured in x- and y-directions in mm for both the original and the reproduction. The x- and y-scale factors must be calculated.

NOTE 1: The width and height of the inner rectangle is defined in *PS*-file (or equivalent) as 281 mm in x-direction and 194 mm in y-direction. To measure the two scale factors with high accuracy it is recommended that both the original and the reproduction be measured with the same ruler.

NOTE 2: The corners of the inner rectangle or the position marks are often used to position colorimetric instruments for automatic $L^*a^*b^*$ colorimetric measurements and to position the plates in four colour printing.

Visual test:

There is no visual test of the scale factors.

Test of shift for colour lines:

NOTE 1: Test charts are usually produced on colour material in colour mode (C). There are [versions](#) of test charts 1 and 3 completely in black and white text mode (T), such as ISO/IEC-test chart 1 on black and white photographic paper.

NOTE 2: In that case the following test is not applicable. For completely black and white production one can omit the following specification of „Test of shift for colour lines“.

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Content:

The lines defining the *inner rectangles* are drawn in different colours which alternate in colour between black and the colours C, M, Y, O, L and V.

Purpose:

The colours of the *inner rectangle* allow a visual test for the shifts of the colour lines C, M, Y, O, L and V compared to the black line in horizontal and vertical directions.

Visual Test:

In an approximated test a Yes- or No- decision is to be made whether the shift of the colour lines C, M, Y, O, L and V compared to the black N line is greater than or equal to 0,2 mm (more than half of the line-width defining the *inner rectangle*).

4.2.2 Content and purpose of the picture area

4.2.2.1 ISO/IEC-test chart 1 (Achromatic test chart with high lightness contrast)

Picture A1: Radial Gratings (Siemens-stars) N-W, W-N, N-Z, W-Z

Content:

Radial gratings (Siemens-stars) in the combination of N-W, W-N, N-Z, W-Z with marked rings 6, 10, 20 and 30 mm in diameter.

Purpose:

Resolution test of colour reproduction devices. Differences can be found by comparison of the stars in a test chart with the stars in a reproduction of the chart.

Visual test:

In a rough test one should decide if the diameter of the blurred area in the radial grating on the reproduction does not exceed the chosen ring size in all directions (Yes or No decision).

For a detailed test the greatest diameter of the blurred area should be examined with an optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.

NOTE 1: The rings with a diameter of 6, 10, 20 and 30 mm should be used as guidance.

NOTE 2: In some cases one can not evaluate the inner area of the 6 mm ring. The blurred area of the original may be larger than the inner area of the 6 mm ring.

Picture A2 and A3: 5 or 16 visually equally spaced L*-grey steps

Content:

Picture A2 contains five visually equally spaced grey steps between white and black in two rows. A black N_0 and white W_1 is added. Picture A3 contains 16 equally spaced grey steps also in two rows.

In the upper rows, the grey steps are adjacent, in the lower ones the grey steps are separated by the grey background.

For the page as a whole and medium picture content a medium grey with a lightness $L^* = 50 \pm 2$ was chosen for both fields (according to CIE-subt. 15.2 a reflectance factor of 0,2 and a luminance reflectance of $Y = 20$).

On the upper rows the lightness L^* of the CIELAB-colour system is stated above the individual grey steps. The grey steps of halftone ISO/IEC-test chart 1 are produced using only the colour black for the photographic version and not from the four process colours CMYK. This is because the colour black cannot be produced with sufficient accuracy from these colours for the test chart. The grey steps of the continuous ISO/IEC-test chart 1 are produced by the three process colours CMY of the photographic process.

NOTE 1: The theoretical values $L^* = 0$ and $L^* = 100$ for a black N_0 and white W_1 cannot be reached because there are no completely absorbing or reflecting surfaces. For black (N) and white (W) in the 5- and 16-step grey series the lightness values are described as L^*_N and L^*_W . In the halftone ISO/IEC-test chart 1 they are approximately 10 and 94 respectively. In the continuous tone ISO/IEC-test charts they are approximately 7 and 91 respectively. In the halftone ISO/IEC-test chart 3 they are approximately 18 and 95 respectively.

The numbers between 0,00 and 1,00 in the respective rows describe the relative lightness I^*_{relative} between black and white for the relevant grey steps.

NOTE 2: I^*_{relative} results of the CIELAB lightness L^* :

$$I^*_{\text{relative}} = (L^* - L^*_N) / (L^*_W - L^*_N) \quad (\text{equation 1})$$

Picture A3 shows the hexadecimal values above the individual grey steps of the lower rows.

NOTE 3: In printing technology, where paper white is taken as basis and the amount of black is described, the grey scale begins with white and the hexadecimal coding 0 and ends with black and the hexadecimal coding F.

Purpose:

The reproduction of pictures A2 respectively A3 are useful in deciding whether the device is capable of distinguishing the upper rows. If some greys of the upper rows look equal and cannot be distinguished then the lower rows are intended for an optional measurement.

NOTE: For many fields of application a distinction in five grey steps is sufficient, while a distinction of as many of the 16 grey steps as possible is desired for the reproduction of photographic pictures.

A human being is capable of distinguishing about 200 grey steps between white and black positioned side by side.

Visual test:

The user is to judge how many of the five grey steps in picture A2 or 16 grey steps in picture A3 can be distinguished for the upper row of the reproduction.

Picture A4: Landolt-rings N–W

Content:

The picture contains 6 lines with 8 Landolt-rings each. For the Landolt-rings and the background (surround) various grey steps of the 16 grey steps of picture A3 have been selected.

NOTE: The values of the grey steps of the Landolt-rings and background correspond to the hexadecimal coding definition in picture A3.

Purpose:

The picture A4 allows a judgement concerning the reproduction in light, medium grey and dark areas. The differences between ring and background are in this area and in the upper three rows it is one grey step. In the lower three rows the difference is two grey steps.

Visual test:

The recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings has to be judged according to 5.2.2.

Pictures A5 and A6: Different line raster diameter under 45° and 90°

Content:

The pictures contain line-elements with an angle of 45° (picture A5) or 90° (picture A6) and a raster with 15 to 240 lines per inch (lpi).

NOTE: In the halftone ISO/IEC-test chart 1 240 lpi are used. In continuous tone ISO/IEC-test chart 1 there is a technical limit of 75 lpi dependent on the 300 dpi digital image setter used for its production.

Purpose:

The pictures A5 and A6 serve to test the line reproduction.

Visual test:

By analogy with the interpretation of the Siemens-stars in picture A1, a rough examination is to be made with the naked eye to determine the highest spatial frequency which is perceptible.

For an exact examination, an optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x could be used to examine which raster pitch lines can be recognized.

NOTE 1: Colour reproduction devices have a fixed angle of scanning (normally horizontal or vertical). The reproductions correspond to the angles of the copied pattern whose marked pattern structures are shown. These are known in the printing business as Moiré-patterns and will be lower by an angle of 45°. Because of this the test chart 1 contains pictures with screens at two different angles.

NOTE 2: The line raster pitch of 80 to 240 lpi can normally only be distinguished by using optical aids, such as a magnifying glass.

NOTE 3: In pictures A5 and A6 the one with the greatest lpi (lines per inch) for which the lines and spaces can be distinguished is a measure of the system resolution.

NOTE 4: Defects in output made using the test patterns A5 and A6 for areas with greater than 60 lpi may not be important.

NOTE 5: Rotating and moving the test patterns A5 and A6 to different locations on the imaging platen may uncover additional reproduction defects and this is recommended.

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4.2.2.2 ISO/IEC-test chart 2 (Chromatic test chart with CMY-colours)

Picture B1:

The content of this picture can be chosen by the manufacturer of the ISO/IEC-test charts. This content should include the 14 CIE-test colours plus N_0 and white W_1 and a 16-step grey scale. In ISO/IEC 15775 a flower image was chosen in test chart 2 and 14 CIE-test colours in ISO/IEC-test chart 4. The purpose of the flower image is described here as an example.

NOTE: The Picture B1 of test chart 2 is equal in content to the picture D1 of test chart 4. A manufacturer may use slide film material to photograph the picture B1 and negative film material to photograph the picture D1.

Picture B1: Flower image, 14 CIE-test colours plus black N_0 and white W_1 , and 16-step grey scale.

Content:

The flower image of the chromatic test chart represents especially the colours which are found in nature and these are placed against a neutral grey background. This serves to judge the true reproduction of these colours. Furthermore the colours gold and silver have been included in the picture as metallic balls. The additional CIE-test colours plus black N_0 and white W_1 , and a 16-step grey scale may help to judge the fidelity of reproduction (see 4.2.2.4).

Purpose:

Picture B1 serves to compare colour fidelity of the test chart and its reproduction. The neutral grey background helps to recognize colour shifts. The mainly neutral grey background has various shadows.

NOTE 1: The test chart is not for judgement of individual preference colours and body tones, which may be judged differently in different countries.

NOTE 2: An optional radial grating (Siemens-star $N-W$) used in ISO/IEC-test chart 4 helps to get some information on pixel image resolution.

Visual test:

Clear (immediately conspicuous) relative differences between the original and the reproduction should be judged.

Picture B2: Radial gratings (Siemens-stars) $W-C$, $W-M$, $W-Y$, $W-N$ and $W-Z$

Content:

Radial gratings (Siemens-stars) in the combinations $W-C$, $W-M$, $W-Y$, $W-N$ and $W-Z$ with marked rings of 6, 10 and 20 mm in diameter.

Purpose:

Picture B2 serves for the judgement of resolution. The rings with a diameter of 6, 10 and 20 mm serve as guide.

Visual test:

In a rough test one should decide if the diameter of the blurred area in the radial grating on the reproduction does not exceed the chosen ring size in all directions (Yes or No decision).

For a detailed test the greatest diameter of the blurred area should be examined with an optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.

NOTE 1: The rings with a diameter of 6, 10 and 20 mm should be used as guidance.

NOTE 2: In some cases one can not evaluate the inner area of the 6 mm ring. The blurred area of the original may be larger than the inner area of the 6 mm ring.

NOTE 3: The lowest resolution is usually the one for the radial grating $W-Y$ due to the low contrast between white and yellow.

Picture B3: 14 CIE-test colours, black N_0 and white W_1 , 16 equally spaced grey steps

NOTE: Picture B3 is identical to picture D3 of test chart 4.

Content:

In the upper two rows the picture contains 14 CIE-test colours according to CIE-pub.13.3 along with black N_0 and white W_1 . In the lower row the picture contains 16 equally spaced grey steps.

In the upper rows, the colours and grey steps are adjacent, and in the lower rows the colours and grey steps are separated by the grey background.

For the page as a whole and medium picture content a medium grey with a lightness $L^* = 50 \pm 2$ was chosen for both fields with a reflectance factor of 0,2 or a luminance reflectance of $Y = 20$ (according to CIE-publ. 15.2).

Purpose:

Picture B3 serves for the judgement of relative colour fidelity of the reproduction.

Visual test:

Clear (immediately conspicuous) relative differences of the 14 colours between the test chart and the reproduction are to be judged (Yes or No decision). Should this not be the case, the number of distinguishable steps should be stated.

Clear (immediately conspicuous) relative differences of the 16 grey colours between the test chart and the reproduction are being judged (Yes or No decision). Should this not be the case, the number of distinguishable steps should be stated.

NOTE: The test colours reproduced in the test chart show small colour differences compared to the test colours defined in CIE-pub. 13.3. This fact can be ignored for the visual judgement since here the colour difference between the original and a reproduction is assessed.

Picture B4: 16 visually equally spaced steps with the colours *W-C*, *W-M*, *W-Y* and *W-N***Content:**

The picture contains four rows with 16 colour steps each, using the colours *C*, *M*, *Y* and *N*, starting with white and the hexadecimal coding zero up to the colour with the hexadecimal coding F.

Purpose:

Picture B4 serves for the judgement of different colour steps.

Visual test:

For each of the four colours one should examine visually whether all 16 colour steps of the rows are different (Yes or No decision). Should this not be the case, the number of distinguishable steps should be stated.

NOTE 1: For a reproduction of photographic pictures the differentiation of as many of the 16 colour steps as possible for the individual colours is desired.

NOTE 2: In the *W-Y* row of the test chart 2 not all of the 16-steps may be distinguishable by testing persons.

Picture B5: Script and Landolt-rings in four sizes**Content:**

The picture contains (in four groups with the relative sizes 10, 8, 6 and 4) 32 black characters and 8 Landolt-rings in the colours *N*, *C*, *M* and *Y* in each group.

Purpose:

Picture B5 serves for testing of reproduction by recognition of characters depending on their size and colour.

Visual test:

Each vertical line in every individual group should be judged to determine if the frequency of recognition for the letters or Landolt-ring respectively is more than 50% (see 5.2.2).

NOTE: For the decreasing relative sizes 10, 8, 6 and 4 the recognition is more difficult. The Landolt-ring *Y* with size 10 of the original test chart may not be recognizable by some testers.

Picture B6 and B7: Landolt-rings *W-C*, *W-M*, *W-Y* and *W-N***Content:**

The pictures contain a block with 6 lines and 8 Landolt-rings each for each of the four colours *C*, *M*, *Y* and *N*. For the Landolt-rings and the background different colour steps of the 16 colour steps of the corresponding colours in picture B4 have been selected in each case. They differ by one or two colour steps in the blocks *W-C*, *W-M* and *W-N* respectively and by two or four colour steps in the block *W-Y* respectively.

NOTE: The values of the colour steps of the Landolt-rings and the background correspond to the hexadecimal values in picture B4.

Purpose:

Pictures B6 and B7 shall also allow a judgement of how the reproduction of characters on different backgrounds depends on the difference between the chromatic steps of characters and the background.

Visual test:

For tests the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings has to be judged according to 5.2.2.

4.2.2.3 ISO/IEC-test chart 3 (Achromatic test chart with medium lightness contrast)

The pictures of the ISO/IEC-test chart 3 correspond in relation to content, purpose and visual test to the ISO/IEC-test chart 1. The grey steps differ in lightness contrast.

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NOTE 1: In halftone technique the lightness L^* varies between 18 and 96 in ISO/IEC-test chart 3 and L^* varies between 10 and 94 in ISO/IEC-test chart 1. For lightness L^* of actual production test charts, see web servers (Annex N).

NOTE 2: In continuous tone technique the lightness L^* varies between 13 and 91 in ISO/IEC-test chart 3 and L^* varies between 7 and 91 in ISO/IEC-test chart 1. For lightness L^* of actual production test charts, see web servers (Annex N).

4.2.2.4 ISO/IEC-test chart 4 (Chromatic test chart with OLV-colours)

The pictures of the ISO/IEC-test chart 4 correspond to the ISO/IEC-test chart 2 in relation to content, purpose and visual test.

NOTE: The Picture B1 of test chart 2 is in content equal to the picture D1 of test chart 4. A manufacturer may use slide film material to photograph the picture B1 and negative film material to photograph the picture D1.

In the pictures D2 to D6 of ISO/IEC-test chart 4 the OLV-colours are used instead of the CMY-colours used in the pictures B2 to B6 of ISO/IEC-test chart 2.

4.3 Modes and production of ISO/IEC-test charts

4.3.1 Analog ISO/IEC-test charts

Table 2 and Table 3 show properties of the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts in halftone and continuous tone technique.

Table 2: Characteristics of analog ISO/IEC-test charts in halftone technique

Characteristics $h = \text{halftone}$	Formula	Unit	Requirements for test chart (type = h)				Test method according to
			no. 1	no. 2 ^b	no. 3 ^b	no. 4 ^b	
Format	---	---	A4	A4	A4	A4	ISO 216
Reference Mass (Area weight)	m_A	g/m^2	85	150	150	150	ISO 536
Smoothness	$GL(\text{Bekk})_B$	s	>600	>600	>600	>600	ISO 5627
Opacity	O	%	>90	>90	>90	>90	ISO 2471
Reflectance factor	R_{457}	%	>84	>84	>84	>84	ISO 1469
Lightness of black N	L^*_{CIELAB}	1	≤ 10	≤ 18	≤ 18	≤ 18	a
Lightness of white W	L^*_{CIELAB}	1	≥ 94	≥ 95	≥ 95	≥ 95	a
Resolution of printing film	r	cm^{-1} (dpi)	1417 (3600)	1417 (3600)	1417 (3600)	1417 (3600)	---
Raster distance	d_r	μm	7	7	7	7	---
Spot size diameter	d_s	μm	21	21	21	21	---
Medium colour reproduction index	$R^*_{\text{ab,m}}$	1	>87	>60	>87	>60	d

a Test according to CIE publ. 15.2, standard illuminant D65, 2° standard observer, 45°/0° geometry.

b Offset printing with printing inks on fluorescent free ISO reference paper. Contrast range: $L^*_N = 18$, $L^*_W = 96$ according to ISO 2846.

c Data of actual production samples: see "Technical information" on web site: <http://www.ps.bam.de>

d Calculated according to the method given in Annex G.

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Table 3: Characteristics of analog ISO/IEC-test charts in continuous tone technique

Characteristics c = continuous tone	Formula	Unit	Requirements for test chart (type = c) ^c				Test method according to
			no. 1 ^b	no. 2 ^b	no. 3 ^b	no. 4 ^b	
Format	---	---	A4 ^e	A4 ^e	A4 ^e	A4 ^e	ISO 216
Reference Mass (Area weight)	m_A	g/m ²	225	225	225	225	ISO 536
Smoothness	$GL(\text{Bekk})_B$	s	>3000	>3000	>3000	>3000	ISO 5627
Opacity	O	%	>95	>95	>95	>95	ISO 2471
Reflectance factor	R_{457}	%	>83	>83	>83	>83	ISO 1469
Lightness of black N	L^*_{CIELAB}	1	≤7	≤7	≤13	≤7	a
Lightness of white W	L^*_{CIELAB}	1	≥91	≥91	≥91	≥91	a
Resolution of printing film	r	cm ⁻¹ (dpi)	118 (300)	118 (300)	118 (300)	118 (300)	---
Raster distance	d_r	μm	83	83	83	83	---
Spot size diameter	d_s	μm	167	167	167	167	---
Medium colour reproduction index	$R^*_{\text{ab,m}}$	1	>87	>60	>87	>60	d

a Test according to CIE publ. 15.2, standard illuminant D65, 2° standard observer, 45°/0° geometry.
b Digital imaging on photographic paper. Contrast ranges: $L^*_N = 7$, $L^*_W = 91$ for no. 1, 2, 4; $L^*_N = 13$, $L^*_W = 91$ for no. 3
c Data of actual production samples: see "Technical information" on web site: <http://www.ps.bam.de>
d Calculated according to the method given in Annex G.
e Many reproduction devices only produce output that is several mm smaller than A4. The size must include the inner rectangle of the frame area.

The halftone version of the analog ISO/IEC-test chart 1 is produced on photographic paper (85 g/m²). The halftone ISO/IEC-test charts 2 to 4 are produced on ISO-reference paper (free of fluorescence, art printing paper, glossy, 150 g/m²). The halftone ISO/IEC-test charts include:

- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 1: Grey steps of the lightness range $L^* = 10$ to 94
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 2: CMY-colours (chromatic), produced by CMY-colours
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 3: Grey steps of the lightness range $L^* = 18$ to 95
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 4: OLV-colours (chromatic), produced by CMY-colours

The continuous tone version of the analog ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 are produced by digital imaging on photographic paper (fluorescent, glossy, 225 g/m²). The continuous tone ISO/IEC-test charts include:

- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 1: Grey steps of the lightness range $L^* = 7$ to 91
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 2: CMY-colours (chromatic), produced by CMY-colours
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 3: Grey steps of the lightness range $L^* = 13$ to 91
- Analog ISO/IEC-test chart 4: OLV-colours (chromatic), produced by CMY-colours

4.3.2 Digital ISO/IEC-test charts

The digital ISO/IEC-test charts can be used to produce output on colour devices (e.g. colour printers, colour monitors). They are presented in the three lowest resolutions on the Internet (see web servers Annex N). It is planned that the high resolution test charts will be available on a CD-ROM. The digital ISO/IEC-test charts are given in the *Adobe PostScript (PS)* and *Adobe Portable Document (PDF)* formats.

Table 4 and Table 5 show the device dependency of resolution and colour and the storage space necessary for the digital ISO/IEC-test charts.

Table 4: Device dependency of resolution and colour

Test chart no. <i>n</i> = 1 to 4 and image	Device dependency of resolution		Device dependency of colour	
	digital input ISO/IEC-test chart	analog output (reproduction)	digital input ISO/IEC-test chart	analog output (reproduction)
no. 1: image A1 to A6	independent	dependent	independent	dependent
no. 2: image B1	dependent	dependent	independent	dependent
no. 2: image B2 to B7	independent	dependent	independent	dependent
no. 3: image C1 to C6	independent	dependent	independent	dependent
no. 4: image D1	dependent	dependent	independent	dependent
no. 4: image D2 to D7	independent	dependent	independent	dependent

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Table 5: Storage space and resolution

Test chart no. <i>n</i> = 1 to 4 and image	Resolution independent or pixel amount	vector graphic in ISO/IEC-test chart	Storage space for	
			pixel graphic in ISO/IEC-test chart	vector graphic and pixel graphic
1 or 3: image A1 to A6	independent	50 kByte	–	50 kByte
2 or 4: without B1 or D1	independent	50 kByte	–	–
2 or 4: with image B1 or D1	128 x 192 points	50 kByte	150 kByte	200 kByte
	256 x 384 points	50 kByte	600 kByte	650 kByte
	512 x 768 points	50 kByte	2,400 MByte	2,450 MByte
	1024 x 1536 points	50 kByte	9,600 MByte	9,650 MByte
	2048 x 3072 points	50 kByte	38,400 MByte	38,450 MByte

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4.4 Codes of the ISO/IEC-test charts and their reproduction

The ISO/IEC-test charts are given in different modes (paper, film and as digital file) and in different sizes:

- A4
- A6 for Picture B1 (identical to D1)
- 24 mm x 36 mm slide and negative film

The analog ISO/IEC-test charts are produced by two methods:

- a) halftone technique
- b) continuous tone (photographic) technique

The digital ISO/IEC-test charts are given as a *PostScript* file or equivalent. They can be used to produce the analog form, e. g. as output on a colour printer or on a monitor. A six digit code with a three digit extension is used to describe the ISO/IEC-test charts and their reproduction.

Position 1:

- i – input
- o – output
- r – reference

Position 2:

- c – continuous tone technique
- h – halftone technique

Position 3 and 4:

- a4 – format A4
- a6 – format A6
- sf – slide (positive) film material
- nf – negative film material

Position 5:

- r – reflectance mode
- t – transmittance mode

Position 6:

- a – analog mode
- d – digital mode

Examples for clarification (code and description):

iha4ra: input, halftone, format A4, reflectance mode, analog mode

rca4ra: reference, continuous tone, format A4, reflectance mode, analog mode

The three digit extension is based on a character I (I = ISO/IEC or D = DIN) and includes the ISO/IEC-test chart number 1 to 4.

These codes are required both for the process description when producing outputs with colour devices and for the image comparison of an output with a reference. In Table H.1 and Table H.3 of Annex H the different codes for analog and digital mode are listed. In Table H.2, Table H.4, and Table H.5 three examples for a colour copier, a printer and a scanner are given.

4.5 Colorimetric data of intended and reproduced colours

The basic and mixture colours of the standard printing process (ISO 2846–1:1997) and of the standard television process (recommendation ITU-R BT.709–3) are defined in Table 6 and Table 8. Table 13 compares the intended colours of ISO 2846–1:1997 with the colours produced in DIN-test charts 2 and 4 (these correspond to ISO/IEC-test charts 2 and 4). Table 14 compares the printing colours of ISO 2846–1:1997 with the colours defined for colour television according to ITU-R BT.709–3.

Table 15 shows the CIE-test colours defined in CIE-publ. 13.3 and the CIE-colours produced using halftones for DIN 33866–2. The CIE-test colours produced are the reference colours of the digital DIN-test charts. The DIN-test charts 2 and 4 have been produced with the printing colours defined in ISO 2846–1:1997 which are given in Table 6. The accuracy achieved by DIN is given in Table 13.

Table 6: CIE data for offset printing (ISO 2846–1:1997; ORS18) with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L^*_W = 18$

Basic offset colour or mixture colour for D65 ORS18=OLS18=Standard	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three subtractive basic colours: printing colours acc. to ISO 2846-1</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,1645	0,2337	18,74	26,62	68,54	58,62	-30,63	-42,75
M magenta-red	0,4594	0,2348	33,06	16,90	22,01	48,13	75,20	-6,80
Y yellow	0,4414	0,5000	68,06	77,10	9,03	90,37	-11,16	96,17
<i>three subtractive mixture colours: # DIN 33866-colours; ISO reference paper</i>								
O orange-red#	0,6080	0,3380	30,13	16,75	2,68	47,94	65,31	52,07
L leaf-green#	0,2523	0,5559	8,71	19,18	6,62	50,90	-62,96	36,71
V violet-blue#	0,2158	0,1400	7,17	4,65	21,41	25,72	31,35	-44,36
<i>achromatic colours: # calculated by linear chroma extrapolation in the CIELAB colour space</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, D65)	0,3198	0,3387	94,44	100,00	100,84	100,00	-1,07	5,06
W (ISO paper, D65)	0,3197	0,3384	83,69	88,60	89,47	95,41	-0,98	4,76
N (black printing colour)	0,3122	0,3251	2,42	2,52	2,81	18,01	0,50	-0,46
NO (ideal black#, D65)	-	-	0,02	0,00	0,12	0,01	0,84	-1,68

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Table 6 shows the standard CIE data for the offset printing colours according to ISO 2846–1:1997 for the CIE standard 45°/0° geometry, the CIE standard illuminant D65 and the CIE standard 2°-observer. The data of Table 7 define the Offset Reflective System ORS18 for lightness $L^*_N=18$ of Black N. The analog ISO/IEC 15775-test charts have been produced using the CIE data on ISO non-fluorescent standard reference paper. The mean CIELAB difference is given in Table 13 and is less than $\Delta E^*=3$.

There may be a few colorimetric calculation problems in applications. In Table 6 the chromaticity of the colours White W and Black N is different and different compared to the chromaticity of D65 ($x=0,3127, y=0,3290$). The yellow-blue CIELAB chroma changes for White W from $b^*=4,76$ to $b^*=0,46$ for Black N. In applications both colours White W and Black N appear achromatic. Any CIE chromatic adaptation formula can only transform the chromaticity of one colour (either White W or Black N) to the chromaticity of D65, and there is no CIE colorimetric solution for printers and monitors.

The following four equations transform all the CIELAB data $L^*a^*b^*$ which are located on a straight line between N and W in the CIELAB space to the achromatic axis ($a^*=b^*=0$) in the CIELAB space. The equations are called the chroma adaptation (a) equations.

$$\begin{aligned}
 I^* &= (L^* - L^*_N) / (L^*_W - L^*_N) && (0 \leq I^* \leq 1 \text{ is the relative CIELAB lightness between W and N}) \\
 L^*_a &= L^* && (\text{no lightness change by the chroma adaptation (a) equations}) \\
 a^*_a &= a^* - a^*_N - (a^*_W - a^*_N) I^* && (a^*_W \text{ and } a^*_N \text{ are CIELAB } a^*\text{-chroma of White W and Black N}) \\
 b^*_a &= b^* - b^*_N - (b^*_W - b^*_N) I^* && (b^*_W \text{ and } b^*_N \text{ are CIELAB } b^*\text{-chroma of White W and Black N})
 \end{aligned}$$

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The chroma adaptation equations and the following inverse equations

$$l_a^* = (L_a^* - L_{Na}^*) / (L_{Wa}^* - L_{Na}^*) \quad (L_N^* = L_{Na}^*, L_W^* = L_{Wa}^*)$$

$$L^* = L_a^*$$

$$a^* = a_a^* + a_{Na}^* + (a_{Wa}^* - a_{Na}^*) l_a^*$$

$$b^* = b_a^* + b_{Na}^* + (b_{Wa}^* - b_{Na}^*) l_a^*$$

are used for the transform of the achromatic colours in the ISO/IEC-test charts.

The chroma adaptation equations are used to extrapolate the CIELAB data for the achromatic colours Black N0 and White W1 in Table 6 and for the transfer of the chroma adapted colour coordinates of Table 7 which are used to calculate the CIELAB differences between the printer and the monitor colours. There is no lightness colour difference between the monitor and printer White W and Black N. There may be lightness differences for the two 16 step grey scales if the scaling is different. Equal relative scaling between L_N^* and L_W^* is the reference.

Table 7: CIE data of Offset Reflective System ORS18a (= OLS18a) with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L_N^* = 18$

Basic offset colour or mixture colour for D65 ORS18a = OLS18a	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x_a	y_a	X_a	Y_a	Z_a	L_a^*	a_a^*	b_a^*
<i>three subtractive basic colours: printing colours acc. to ISO 2846-1</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,1610	0,2280	18,79	26,62	71,32	58,62	-30,34	-45,01
M magenta-red	0,4549	0,2319	33,08	16,90	22,90	48,13	75,28	-8,36
Y yellow	0,4388	0,4941	68,47	77,11	10,48	90,37	-10,26	91,75
<i>three subtractive mixture colours: # DIN 33866-colours; ISO reference paper</i>								
O orange-red#	0,6054	0,3363	30,15	16,75	2,90	47,94	65,39	50,52
L leaf-green#	0,2494	0,5484	8,72	19,18	7,07	50,90	-62,83	34,96
V violet-blue#	0,2148	0,1400	7,14	4,65	21,44	25,72	31,10	-44,40
<i>achromatic colours: # calculated by linear chroma extrapolation in the CIELAB colour space</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, D65)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,92	100,00	0,00	0,00
W (ISO paper, D65)	0,3127	0,3290	84,21	88,60	96,48	95,41	0,00	0,00
N (black printing colour)	0,3127	0,3290	2,40	2,52	2,74	18,01	0,00	0,00
N0 (ideal black#, D65)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00

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Table 7 shows the chroma adapted (a) colour data which are calculated from the offset printing colours according to ISO 2846-1:1997. For the achromatic colours the CIELAB chroma data a^* and b^* are equal to zero. This system is called chroma adapted (a) Offset Reflective System ORS18a for the lightness $L_N^*=18$ of Black N. This System is equal to the Offset Luminous System OLS18a with $Y_W=88,6$ and $Y_r=2,5$. Four Offset Luminous Systems OLSxxa with $xx=00, 18, 27$ and 33 with four different ambient light reflections are given in Annex K.

Table 8: CIE data of television colours according to ITU-R BT.709-3 with $Y_W = 100,0$ and $L_N^* = 0$

Basic television colour or mixture colour for D65 CIE data for $Y_w=100$	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=100,0$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=100,0$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three additive basic colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
R red	0,6400	0,3300	41,24	21,26	1,93	53,24	80,08	67,20
G green	0,3000	0,6000	35,76	71,52	11,92	87,74	-86,18	83,18
B blue	0,1500	0,0600	18,05	7,22	95,05	32,30	79,19	-107,85
<i>three additive mixture colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,2246	0,3287	53,81	78,74	106,97	91,11	-48,08	-14,12
M magenta-red	0,3209	0,1542	59,29	28,48	96,99	60,32	98,23	-60,82
Y yellow	0,4193	0,5053	77,00	92,78	13,85	97,14	-21,56	94,48
<i>achromatic colours:</i>								
W (-)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
W1 (white monitor, 100%)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,90	100,00	0,00	0,00
N (black monitor, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
N0 (ideal black, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

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Table 8 shows the standard CIE data for television colours according to ITU-R BT.709-3 for the CIE standard

illuminant D65, the CIE standard diffuse/0° geometry, the CIE 2°-observer, and normalized to $Y_W = 100$. The normalization to $Y_W = 100$ is the simplest colorimetric. For colorimetric comparison of monitor and paper colours (of often near the same luminance) the colorimetric normalization to $Y_W = 88,6$ of the following table is appropriate.

Table 9: CIE data of Television Luminous System TLS00 with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L^*_N = 0$

Basic television colour or mixture colour for D65 TLS00: $Y_W=88,6 + 0,0$	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three additive basic colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
R red	0,6400	0,3300	36,54	18,84	1,71	50,50	76,92	64,54
G green	0,3000	0,6000	31,68	63,36	10,56	83,63	-82,77	79,90
B blue	0,1500	0,0600	15,99	6,40	84,22	30,39	76,06	-103,58
<i>three additive mixture colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,2246	0,3287	47,67	69,76	94,78	86,88	-46,17	-13,56
M magenta-red	0,3209	0,1542	52,53	25,24	85,93	57,30	94,35	-58,42
Y yellow	0,4193	0,5053	68,22	82,20	12,27	92,66	-20,70	90,75
<i>achromatic colours:</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, 100%)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,90	100,00	0,00	0,00
W (white monitor, 88,6%)	0,3127	0,3290	84,21	88,60	96,49	95,41	0,00	0,00
N (black monitor, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
NO (ideal black, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00

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Table 9 shows the CIE colour data for television according to ITU-R BT.709-3 now normalized to $Y_W = 88,6$. This system is called Television Luminous System TLS00 for the black lightness $L^*_N=0$. In Table 9 to Table 12 the luminance factor is always normalized to $Y_W = 88,6$ (instead of $Y_W = 100,0$ in Table 8) for White W. Then in all cases the luminance factor Y_W and the lightness L^*_W of the White W on the monitor and on the paper are equal.

The normalised luminance reflectance $Y_W = 88,6$ is defined by the white standard reference paper of offset colour printing which is used for the production of the standard analog ISO/IEC 15775-test charts no. 2 to 4. In case of different reflections for ambient lighting on the monitor surface the same normalised luminance reflectance $Y_W = 88,6$ is used. Therefore a transparent (t) normalised luminance reflectance is necessary to calculate the CIE XYZ tristimulus values. The normalization changes the XYZ tristimulus values and the CIELAB data of any colour in the application. The luminance reflectance $Y_r=2,5$ depends on the ambient office lighting and the reflection properties of the monitor surface. For the luminance reflectance $Y_r=2,5$ the (transparent) normalised luminance reflectance is

$$Y_t = Y_W - Y_r = 88,6 - 2,5 = 86,1$$

The equation is also used for the other luminance reflectance values $Y_r=0,0$, $Y_r=5,0$, and $Y_r=7,5$.

Table 10: CIE data of Television Luminous System TLS18 with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L^*_N = 18$

Basic television colour or mixture colour for D65 TLS18: $Y_W=86,1 + 2,5$	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three additive basic colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
R red	0,6003	0,3299	37,89	20,82	4,41	52,76	71,63	49,87
G green	0,3009	0,5812	33,18	64,08	13,00	84,01	-79,02	73,94
B blue	0,1612	0,0785	17,93	8,73	84,57	35,47	64,92	-95,08
<i>three additive mixture colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,2278	0,3287	48,71	70,30	94,79	87,14	-44,44	-13,14
M magenta-red	0,3205	0,1622	53,43	27,04	86,23	59,01	89,33	-55,69
Y yellow	0,4144	0,4971	68,67	82,33	14,67	92,74	-20,06	84,97
<i>achromatic colours:</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, 100%)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,90	100,00	0,00	0,00
W (white monitor, 88,6%)	0,3127	0,3290	84,21	88,60	96,49	95,41	0,00	0,00
N (black monitor, 2,52%)	0,3127	0,3290	2,40	2,52	2,74	18,01	0,00	0,00
NO (ideal black, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00

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Table 10 shows the CIE colour data for the Television Luminous System TLS18 normalized to $Y_W = 88,6$ and with the

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luminance reflectance $Y_r = 2,5$. The calculations in the Table 10 first need the normalized luminance reflectance $Y_t = 86,1$ ($= 88,6 - 2,5$) for White W and all other colours of Table 8. Then an ambient light of the chromaticity D65 with $X_r = 2,40$, $Y_r = 2,52$, and $Z_r = 2,74$ must be added to any XYZ monitor colour.

Table 11: CIE data of Television Luminous System TLS27 with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L^*_N = 27$

Basic television colour or mixture colour for D65 TLS27: $Y_w=83,6 + 5,0$	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three additive basic colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
R red	0,5675	0,3298	39,25	22,81	7,10	54,87	66,84	41,69
G green	0,3017	0,5639	34,67	64,80	15,45	84,38	-75,41	68,76
B blue	0,1715	0,0956	19,87	11,07	84,92	39,70	56,66	-88,04
<i>three additive mixture colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,2309	0,3288	49,75	70,83	94,87	87,40	-42,74	-12,73
M magenta-red	0,3202	0,1699	54,33	28,84	86,53	60,64	84,61	-53,09
Y yellow	0,4096	0,4893	69,13	82,57	17,06	92,82	-19,41	79,81
<i>achromatic colours:</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, 100%)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,90	100,00	0,00	0,00
W (white monitor, 88,6%)	0,3127	0,3290	84,21	88,60	96,49	95,41	0,00	0,00
N (black monitor, 5,04%)	0,3127	0,3290	4,79	5,04	5,49	26,85	0,00	0,00
NO (ideal black, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00

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Table 11 shows the CIE colour data for the Television Luminous System TLS27 normalized to $Y_W = 88,6$ and with the luminance reflectance $Y_r = 5,0$. The calculations of Table 11 for the ambient light reflection $Y_r = 5,0$ are similar to the calculations of Table 10.

Table 12: CIE data of Television Luminous System TLS33 with $Y_W = 88,6$ and $L^*_N = 33$

Basic television colour or mixture colour for D65 TLS33: $Y_w=81,1 + 7,5$	chromaticity		tristimulus values ($Y=88,6$ for white D65)			$L^*a^*b^*$ -CIELAB data ($L^*=95,4$ for white D65)		
	x	y	X	Y	Z	L^*	a^*	b^*
<i>three additive basic colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
R red	0,5400	0,3297	40,61	24,79	9,80	56,87	62,47	36,02
G green	0,3024	0,5479	36,16	65,52	17,89	84,75	-71,95	64,17
B blue	0,1810	0,1113	21,81	13,41	85,26	43,38	50,19	-81,95
<i>three additive mixture colours: television colours acc. to ITU-R BT.709-3</i>								
C cyan-blue	0,2340	0,3288	50,79	71,37	94,92	87,66	-41,08	-12,31
M magenta-red	0,3198	0,1774	55,23	30,64	86,83	62,20	80,15	-50,61
Y yellow	0,4050	0,4817	69,58	82,75	19,46	92,90	-18,77	75,12
<i>achromatic colours:</i>								
W1 (ideal white#, 100%)	0,3127	0,3290	95,05	100,00	108,90	100,00	0,00	0,00
W (white monitor, 88,6%)	0,3127	0,3290	84,21	88,60	96,49	95,41	0,00	0,00
N (black monitor, 7,56%)	0,3127	0,3290	7,19	7,56	8,23	33,05	0,00	0,00
NO (ideal black, 0,00%)	-	-	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00

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Table 12 shows the CIE colour data for the Television Luminous System TLS33 normalized to $Y_W = 88,6$ and with the luminance reflectance $Y_r = 7,5$. The calculations of Table 12 for the luminance reflection $Y_r = 7,5$ are similar to the calculations in Table 10 and Table 11.

Therefore **four** different cases of ambient light reflections are considered in this Technical Report. The four luminance reflectances Y_r are 0,0, 2,52, 5,04, and 7,06 which corresponds to the CIELAB lightness $L^* = 0, 18, 27,$ and 33. Four different Television Luminous Systems (TLS) and four corresponding CIE colour coordinates and examples figures are given.

NOTE: A similar Offset Luminous System (OLS) of transparent offset colours printed on transparent overhead sheets is defined in Annex K.

The following list summarizes the definitions and examples:

System name	CIE colour coordinates in:	Example figures:
TLS00	Table 9	Fig. 4, Fig. L.1
TLS18=TRS18	Table 10	Fig. 1, Fig. 4, Fig. L.1, Fig. L.3
TLS27	Table 11	Fig. 4
TLS33	Table 12	Fig. 4
OLS00a	Table K.1	Fig. K.4
ORS18a=OLS18a	Table 7	Fig. K.4
OLS27a	Table K.2	Fig. K.4
OLS33a	Table K.3	Fig. K.4

The Standard Systems **TLS00** of Table 9 and **ORS18a** of Table 7 are give in bold letters. All others systems are calculated and the following figure shows the device colours Cyan-blue – Orange-red C – O in a chroma – lightness diagram for the four spaces TLS00, TLS18, TLS27, TLS33.

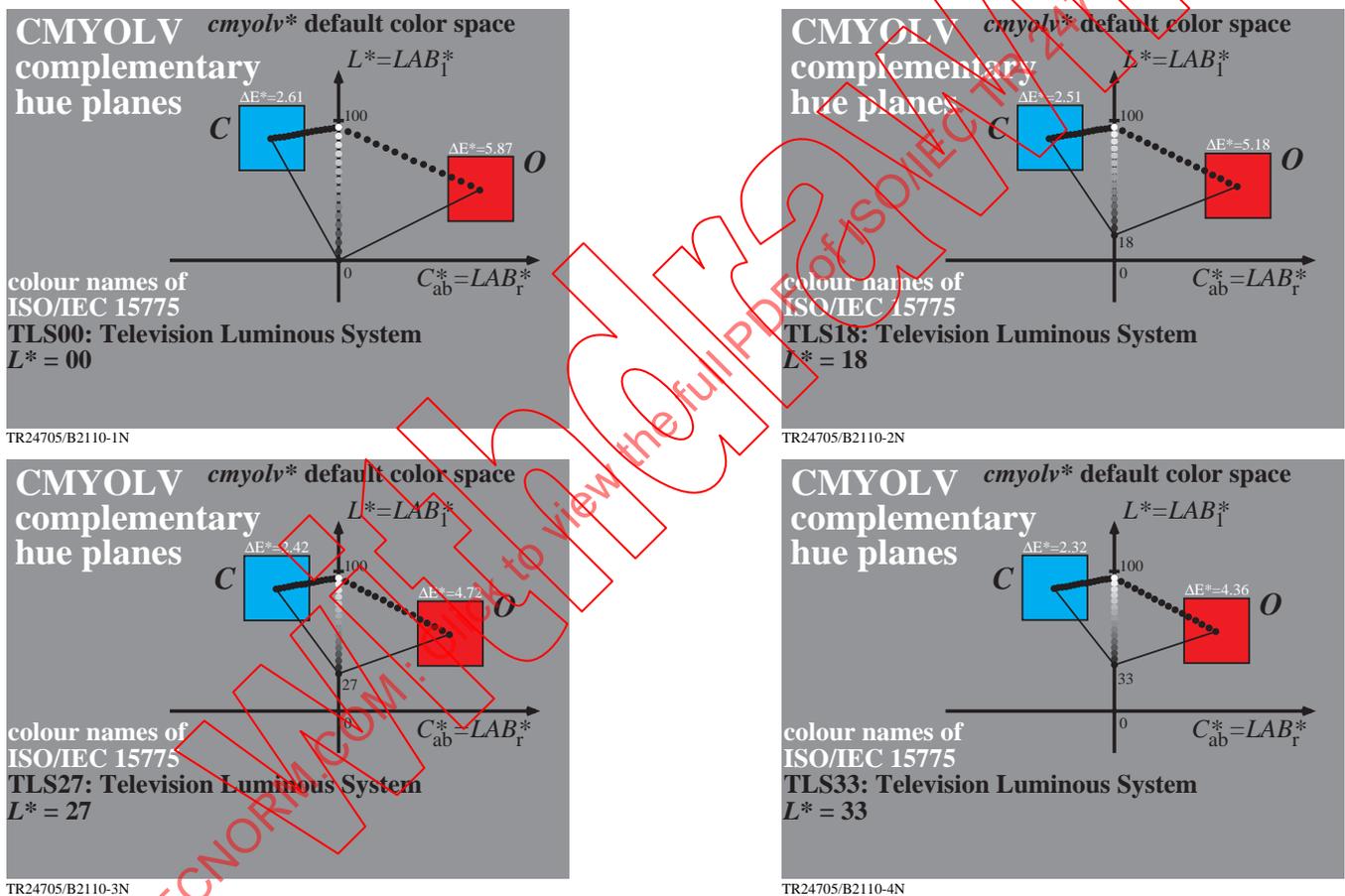


Figure 4: Complementary monitor colours C and O for $L^*_N = 0, 18, 27, 33$

In Fig. 4 there is a drastic colour change of the monitor colours by the ambient office lighting on the monitor surface. The lightness of the black is $L^*=0, 18, 27$ and 33 for the luminance reflectance $Y_r=0, 2,5, 5,0,$ and $7,5$ respectively. The chroma of the two colours Orange-red O and Cyan-blue C is reduced with increasing ambient light reflections. The purpose of this Technical Report is to produce equally spaced 16-step series in the CIELAB space independent of the medium used. This includes, for example, monitors or projected overhead sheets with daylight D65 in the office.

Table 13: Comparison of the printing colours and the produced colours

Basic test colour name	Intended CIELAB CMYN (ISO 2846-1) Reference (r)			Produced CIELAB Pictures B2 and C2 Output (o)			CIELAB differences of test colours Difference (o-r)			CIELAB-test colour difference ΔE^*_{ab}
	L^*_r	a^*_r	b^*_r	L^*_o	a^*_o	b^*_o	ΔL^*_{o-r}	Δa^*_{o-r}	Δb^*_{o-r}	
C	58.62	-30.62	-42.74	59.96	-27.8	-43.15	1.34	2.82	-0.4	3.15
M	48.13	75.2	-6.79	49.19	74.03	-7.4	1.06	-1.16	-0.6	1.69
Y	90.37	-11.15	96.17	87.12	-5.58	105.61	-3.24	5.57	9.44	11.43
O	47.94	65.31	52.07	47.94	65.31	52.07	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01
L	50.9	-62.96	36.71	50.9	-62.96	36.71	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01
V	25.72	31.45	-44.35	25.72	31.45	-44.35	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01
N	18.01	0.5	-0.46	17.16	-0.06	-2.71	-0.84	-0.56	-2.24	2.47
W	95.41	-0.98	4.76	94.98	-0.58	3.28	-0.42	0.4	-1.47	1.59
<i>Average CIELAB colour difference:</i>									$\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 2.5$	

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Table 13 compares the printing colours according to ISO 2846-1:1997 and the produced colours for picture B2 or D2 of test chart 2 and 4 according to ISO/IEC 15775

Table 14: Comparison of the printing colours and the television colours normalized to Y = 88,6

Basic test colour name	Intended CIELAB data CMYN (ISO 2846-1) Reference (r)			Intended CIELAB data RGB (ITU-R BT 709-2) Output (o)			CIELAB differences of test colours Difference (o-r)			CIELAB-test colour difference ΔE^*_{ab}
	L^*_r	a^*_r	b^*_r	L^*_o	a^*_o	b^*_o	ΔL^*_{o-r}	Δa^*_{o-r}	Δb^*_{o-r}	
C	58.62	-30.62	-42.74	86.88	-46.16	-13.55	28.26	-15.53	29.19	43.5
M	48.13	75.2	-6.79	57.3	94.35	-58.41	9.17	19.15	-51.61	55.82
Y	90.37	-11.15	96.17	92.66	-20.69	90.75	2.29	-9.53	-5.41	11.21
O	47.94	65.31	52.07	50.5	76.92	64.54	2.56	11.61	12.47	17.23
L	50.9	-62.96	36.71	83.63	-82.76	79.9	32.73	-19.79	43.19	57.69
V	25.72	31.45	-44.35	30.39	76.06	-103.57	4.67	44.61	-59.21	74.29
N	18.01	0.5	-0.46	1.57	0.0	0.0	-16.43	-0.49	0.47	16.45
W	95.41	-0.98	4.76	95.41	0.01	0.01	0.0	1.0	-4.74	4.85
<i>Average CIELAB colour difference:</i>									$\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 35.1$	

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Table 14 compares the printing colours according to ISO 2846-1:1997 and the television colours according to ITU-R BT.709-3709-3

The colorimetric parameters and the statistics of the production of the DIN-test charts are given as tables on a web server (see last page). Users can put their visual estimation data or the colorimetric data in files to specify their colour image devices in their office environment.

Table 15: Comparison of the 14 CIE-test colours and the produced colours

CIE test colour no.	Intended CIELAB data of CIE Publ. 13.3 Reference (r)			Produced CIELAB data of DIN 33866 Output (o), Picture B6			CIELAB differences of test colours Difference (o-r)			CIELAB-test colour difference ΔE^*_{ab}
	L^*_r	a^*_r	b^*_r	L^*_o	a^*_o	b^*_o	ΔL^*_{o-r}	Δa^*_{o-r}	Δb^*_{o-r}	
1	61.45	17.53	11.74	56.8	12.93	19.6	-4.64	-4.59	7.86	10.23
2	60.69	0.08	28.92	55.0	-2.42	35.85	-5.68	-2.5	6.93	9.31
3	62.02	-20.58	44.41	56.74	-24.61	42.51	-5.27	-4.02	-1.89	6.91
4	61.2	-33.16	17.07	60.9	-48.14	23.62	-0.29	-14.97	6.55	16.35
5	62.4	-17.47	-8.55	58.17	-19.98	-13.31	-4.22	-2.5	-4.75	6.84
6	61.51	-0.36	-28.39	57.44	0.1	-31.83	-4.06	0.47	-3.43	5.35
7	61.12	20.15	-24.55	56.85	18.29	-25.86	-4.26	-1.85	-1.3	4.84
8	62.77	27.42	-13.63	57.87	27.63	-21.75	-4.89	0.21	-8.11	9.49
9	39.92	58.74	27.99	41.87	38.7	33.27	1.95	-20.03	5.28	20.82
10	81.26	-2.89	71.56	75.56	4.2	74.01	-5.69	7.1	2.45	9.43
11	52.23	-42.42	13.6	47.15	-47.28	18.53	-5.07	-4.85	4.93	8.59
12	30.57	1.41	-46.47	34.8	1.37	-28.6	4.23	-0.03	17.87	18.36
13	80.23	11.37	21.04	77.59	15.62	29.57	-2.63	4.25	8.53	9.89
14	40.75	-13.8	24.23	36.07	-18.23	23.81	-4.67	-4.42	-0.41	6.46
<i>Average CIELAB colour difference:</i>									$\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 10.2$	

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Table 15 compares the CIELAB-data L^* , a^* , and b^* of the 14 CIE-test colours according to CIE-publ. 13.3 with the produced colours in Picture B6 of the analog ISO/IEC-test chart 2 according to ISO/IEC 15775

NOTE: The measured CIE-test colours from the production-run test charts are also the reference colours for the digital DIN-test charts

4.6 Limits of visual resolution and colour perceptibility

The visual human system can distinguish elements of 1/6 mm in diameter at the standard viewing distance of 50 cm and with an illuminance of 1000 lux. This light level is recommended in DIN 5035-1 for indoor illumination and colour control. As the illuminance increases it is possible to recognize smaller sized features. The recognition is highest for black-white contrast and is reduced for colour contrast. For a yellow-white contrast the recognition is reduced by at least a factor of 2 and the recognition increases through Magenta-red-white to Cyan-blue-white up to black-white.

Humans can distinguish at least 100 steps between black and white for samples side by side, and twice as many steps can be distinguished with training and sufficiently high illuminance. The colour perceptibility is better by a factor 3 for colours presented side by side than for colours presented separately. The same is true for image comparison between an original (ISO/IEC-test chart in size A4) and the corresponding reproduction (e. g. output in size A4 on a colour copying machine). Therefore, for image comparison about 30 steps are distinguishable.

One must consider the following limits especially for the assessment of reproductions:

- visual resolution 1/6 mm (150 dpi = 60 Points/cm)
- colour perceptibility for image comparison: CIELAB color difference $\Delta E^* = 3$.

The 16 equally spaced grey steps in the original and the reproduction have a lightness contrast gamut of $\Delta L^* = L^*_W - L^*_N = 94 - 10 = 84$. This is a CIELAB-colour difference of $\Delta L^* = 84/15 = 5,6$. An assessment of lightness is therefore possible for the 16 steps in the original and the reproduction for each step. With 32 steps in case of image comparison the threshold of colour perceptibility of three CIELAB units is not reached.

Many reproduction devices for colour images produce colour differences of around 20 CIELAB units which one like to reduce to a colour difference of three CIELAB units. We hope that additional standards will improve the assessment capability.

This goal produces a lot of difficulties both with colour measurement devices and for visual comparison of the original and the reproduction. The problems are caused by the following:

- a) The colour measurement devices which are used show limits in the absolute accuracy of measurement and for

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example produce measurement differences larger than 10 CIELAB for the yellow printing colour Y.

b) The device failures by absolute measurement can be eliminated to a high degree if both the original (the ISO/IEC-test chart) and the copy (the reproduction) are measured with the same device. The measurement of the original is only necessary once for a (constant) colour measurement device.

c) The paper used in the office environment nearly always includes optical brighteners, so the output colours change depending on the illuminating light (daylight) because of fluorescence. The halftone DIN-test charts 2 to 4 are therefore printed on ISO reference paper which is free of fluorescence and this paper could be used for the output of a colour printer.

d) The CIE-test colours of the analog DIN-test charts 2 and 4 are reproduced with mean colour differences of 10 CIELAB-units. The mean measured data for production samples of these DIN-test charts were used to determine the data for the digital DIN-test charts (see also e). The mean absolute accuracy of the data for the production was 10 CIELAB-units and the standard deviation of the production data was much less than 3 CIELAB-units. The colour series (intended to be equally spaced) were produced with mean colour differences of 4 CIELAB-units.

e) The DIN-test charts are supplied in analog mode in halftone and continuous tone technique and as digital file for comparison in the formats *PostScript (PS)* and *Portable Document (PDF)*. The CIELAB-data of the produced analog DIN-test charts were used for the 14 CIE-test colours in the digital DIN-test charts. This way one can compare the output of a digital DIN-test chart with the corresponding analog DIN-test chart and can expect them to agree.

4.7 Applications of analog and digital ISO/IEC-test charts

The following figures show the use of **analog** and **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts with different reproduction devices for colour images. In the following pictures absolute CIELAB coordinates LAB^* or relative CIELAB-coordinates lab^* are used. The corresponding is valid for coordinates CMY^* , cmy^* , OLV^* and olv^* .

4.7.1 Application for colour copiers

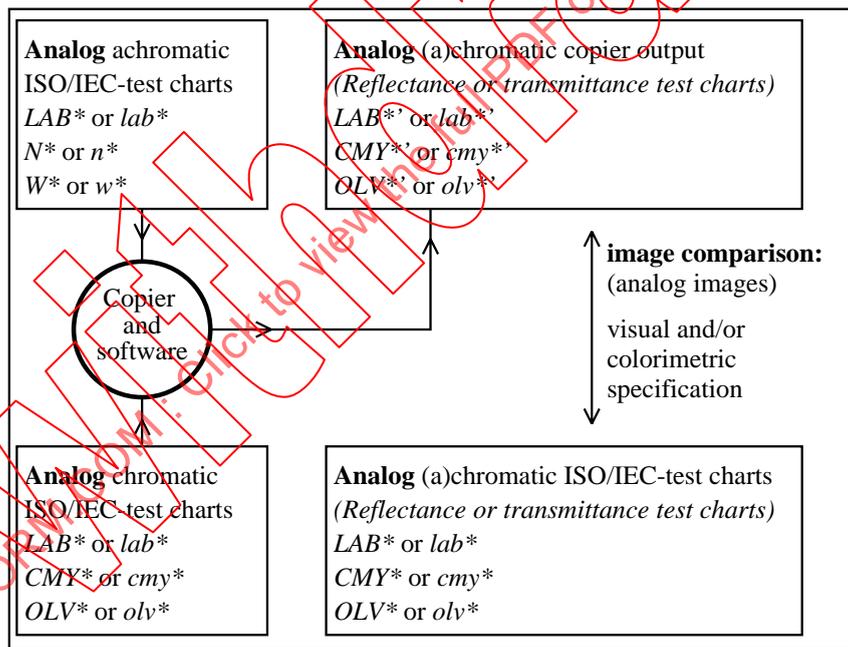


Figure 5: Specification of copiers

The left side of Fig. 5 shows the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts, which contain colour series which have equally spaced steps in absolute colorimetric LAB^* -coordinates. Additionally a description of their relative spacing lab^* in the original and the output is possible. For example compare the coordinates L^* and I^* in ISO/IEC-test chart 1. Something similar is valid for the coordinates CMY^* or cmy^* and OLV^* or olv^* .

4.7.2 Application for printers and monitors

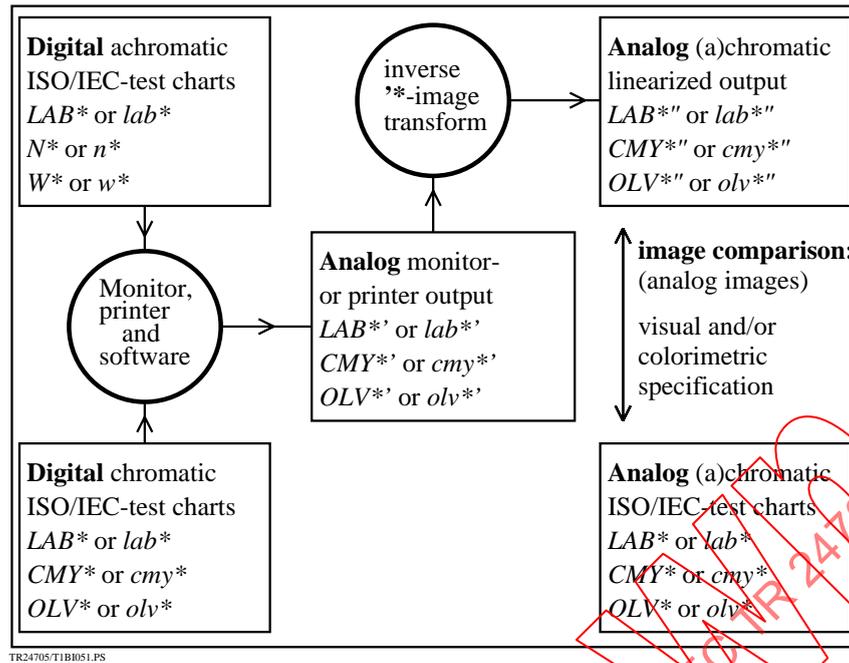


Figure 6: Specification of printers and monitors

The left side of Fig. 6 shows the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts which lead to a first **analog** output. If an inverse **digital** image transformations is included (e. g. within the file or the printer) then the output is linearized. The **digital** inverse image transformation can be stored permanently in the printer or for monitors in the *Display-PostScript* operating system (e. g. *Macintosh OS X server*).

4.7.3 Application for scanners

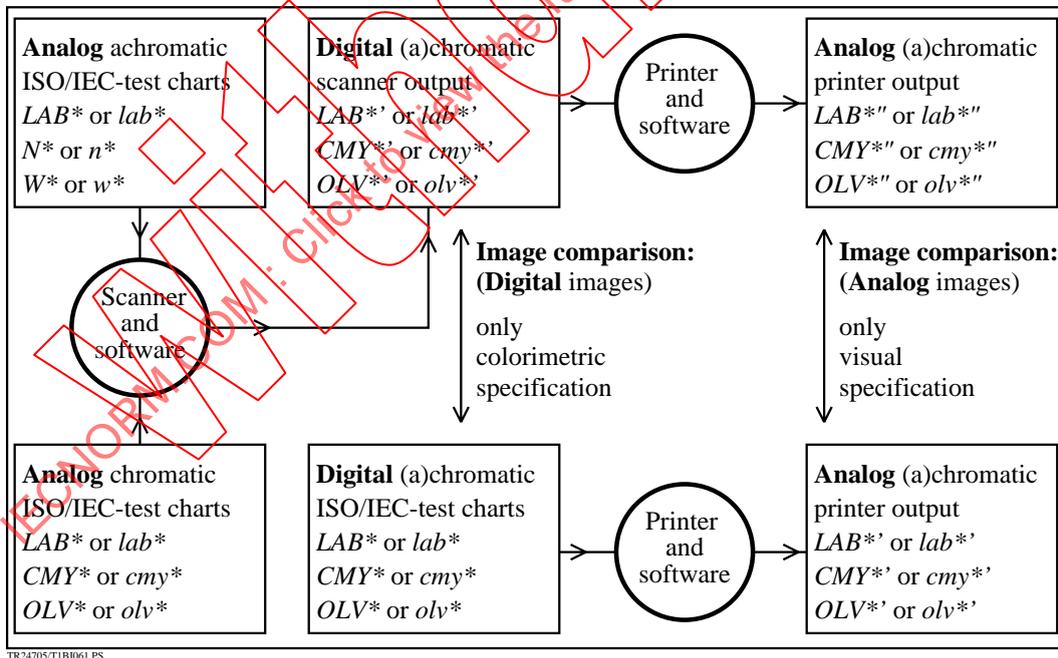


Figure 7: Specification of scanners

The left side of Fig. 7 shows the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts which lead to a **digital** scanner output. A **colorimetric** specification of the **digital scanner** output (file) compared to the **digital** ISO/IEC test chart (file) is shown. A **visual** test by comparison of the **two analog printer** outputs, one produced by the **digital** scanner output and one by the **digital** ISO/IEC test chart (file) is shown.

4.7.4 Application for combinations of scanner and printer or scanner and monitor

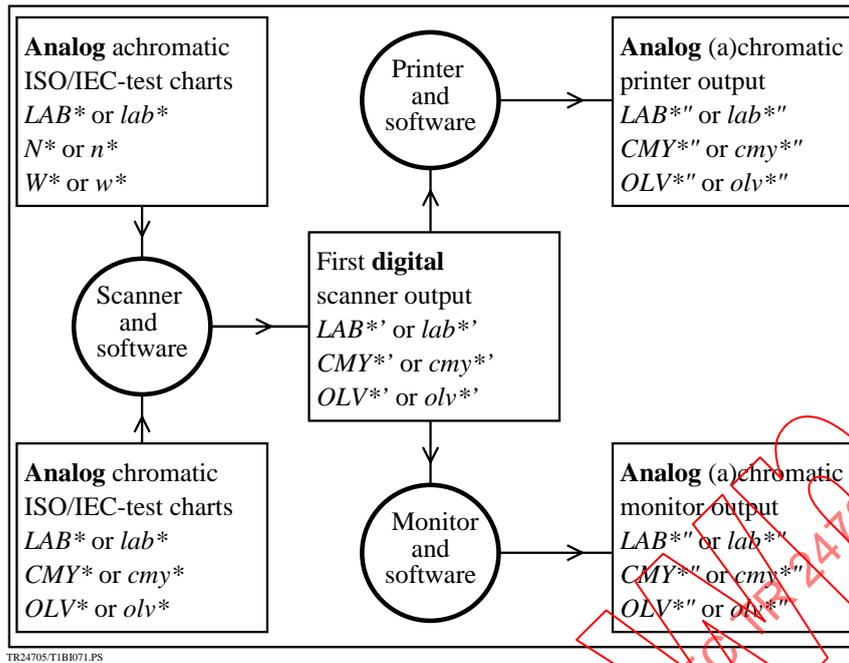


Figure 8: Specification for combinations of scanner and printer or scanner and monitor

The left side of Figure 8 shows the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts which lead to a first **digital** scanner output with **digital** LAB*-image data. The **analog** output of this **digital** LAB*-image file on a printer (*upper right side*) or on a monitor (*bottom right side*) leads to additional colour changes with LAB*-image data which are different for printers and monitors.

5. Visual and colorimetric tests for all applications

5.1 General

The visual tests and colorimetric specification of image reproduction can be done by comparison of the colour output with the original test chart. For the tests two methods are available:

- visual test, if necessary with optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.
- colorimetric specification (for interpretation see Annex G).

For the visual evaluation of the picture area the forms in Annex A to Annex D have to be used.

For the visual evaluation of the frame area the forms in Annex E and Annex F have to be used.

5.2 Visual test

The visual test of the different elements has been already described in 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 in conjunction with the definition of the individual pictures on the test charts.

5.2.1 Testing conditions

The following conditions are to be met when testing:

- Lighting of the testing object under 45° with a minimum of 1000 lux nominal illumination
- Observation of the testing object on an opaque white base (3 sheets of white paper underneath the testing object).
- one can find different and special conditions (e. g. for monitors and scanners) in the corresponding standards
- the testing persons must have normal colour vision and visual acuity.

TEST „Measure colour vision and visual acuity using any of available standard tests“

- For testing normal colour vision the colour vision deficiencies may be tested (for example with an "Anomaloscop" according to DIN 6160 or equivalent).
- The visual acuity (also with seeing aid) is to be checked (for example according to DIN 58220–5 or equivalent).

5.2.2 Recognition frequency for use of Landolt-rings

The eight rings of the Landolt-ring groups in the different pictures represent the different orientation of the Landolt-rings according to ISO 8596. Test criteria for the visual evaluation of each group is the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings. The recognition rate must be over 50% as in ISO 8597. The recognition frequency of at least 5 of 8 rings is above 50%.

5.3 Colorimetric specification

A colorimetric specification includes data for (see Annex G):

- Regularity g^*
- Lightness gamut f^*
- Mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m
- Mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$
- Mean colour reproduction index $R^*_{ab,m}$

5.3.1 Colorimeter

The colorimeter must permit the determination of the CIELAB colorimetric parameters L^* , a^* , b^* (or of the colorimetric tristimulus values X , Y and Z) according to CIE-pub. 15.2 (and ISO/CIE 10526 and 10527) for the CIE-2°-standard observer, the CIE-standard illuminant D65 and the CIE-standard geometry 45°/0°.

5.3.2 Measurements

On the reproduction and the test chart the lightness L^* of the five achromatic test colours of pictures A2 (or C2) and the 14 chromatic CIE-test colours of picture B6 (or D6) as well the CIELAB lightness L^* and the CIELAB chroma a^* and b^* of these colour surfaces are to be measured.

NOTE 1: It is recommended that the ISO/IEC-test chart and the reproduction be measured with the same instrument.

5.3.3 Evaluation

In Annex G the procedures for calculation of each colorimetric parameter resulting from the colorimetric measurement data are described and an example is given.

6. Test report for all applications

6.1 General

The test report with the results of the test shall contain at least the following:

- statement of the colour device model
- selected working mode and/or specification of the selected adjustment
- description of the medium used
- description of other materials used
- Testing method
- forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the reproduction of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- the normal colour vision and normal visual acuity of the testing persons according to 5.2.1 are to be stated.
- test person, date and place

6.2 Description of input and output and comparison of output and reference

Examples for the description of input and output as well as the comparison of output and reference are given in Annex H.

7. Test charts for image reproduction of printer systems: “digital – analog”

The test charts for all applications are described in Section 4.

7.1 General

The **analog** test charts for the assessment of printer outputs are described in Section 4.

7.2 Output technique for colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog” (printers)

The **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 in the format *PS* (*PostScript*) or equivalent can be read by any editor on nearly every computer operating system. They include the colours in relative device coordinates, e. g. *cmY0**, *olV**, *w*000n**, and in absolute (*LAB**) or relative (*lab**) CIELAB-coordinates.

A useful standard reproduction process is the following: an **analog** output (reproduction) of a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart is produced and the **analog** output is compared with the corresponding **analog** reference test chart.

NOTE 1: The printer output is influenced by the computer operating system, the application software, the printer driver, the printer mode and the hardware.

NOTE 2: The image reproduction device transforms the digital *-image („star-image“) into a different *-image („star-prime-image“) by the standard reproduction process. This transformation is defined as standard image transformation (see Fig. 1).

NOTE 3: Either by the software of the computer operating system or by the software within the *PostScript*-printer the digital *-image („star-image“) can be transformed into an inverse *-image („prime-star-image“) and then reproduced with the standard image transformation (see Fig. 2). The colour differences between the digital input values and the resulting output values will then become very small for every colour reproduction system. In addition the output will be very similar to the **analog** reference ISO/IEC-test chart.

NOTE 4: The calculation of the inverse digital *-image („prime-star-image“) from the digital *-image („star-image“) to linearize the output is described in the International Technical Report ISO/IEC 19797 and not in this Technical Report.

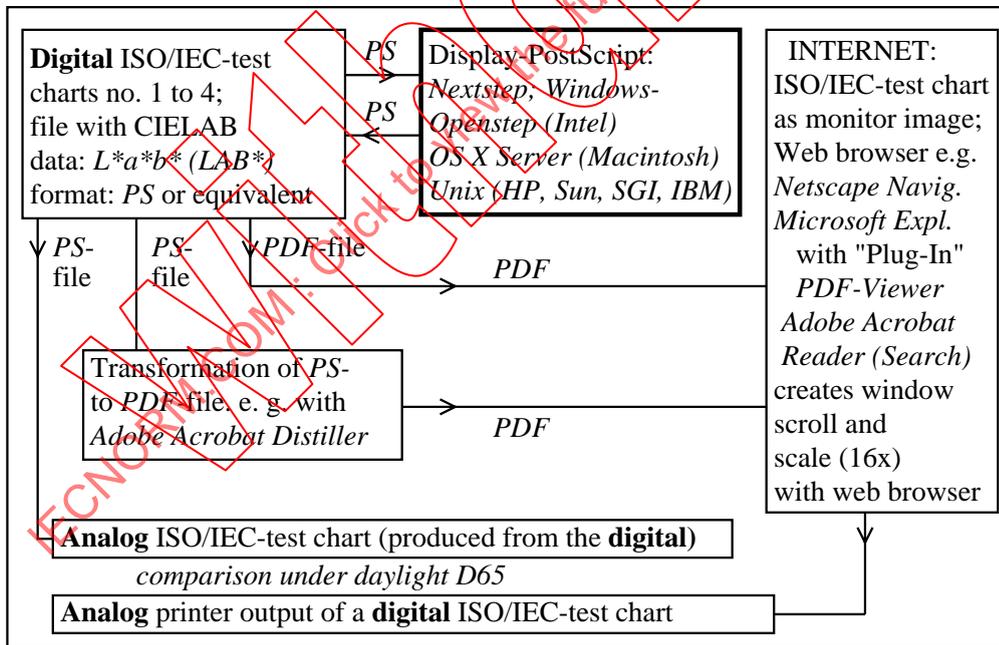


Figure 9: Creation and colour output techniques for the digital test charts on printers

Fig. 9 shows the creation of **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts by *Display-PostScript* and the **analog** printer output made using the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts with different software and different computer operating systems in the formats *PS* (*PostScript*), *PDF* (*Portable Document*) or equivalent formats. Fig. 9 additionally illustrates the **monitor** output of a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart in *PDF* format using internet web browsers. This **analog** printer output must be compared with the **analog** reference (**analog** ISO/IEC-test chart).

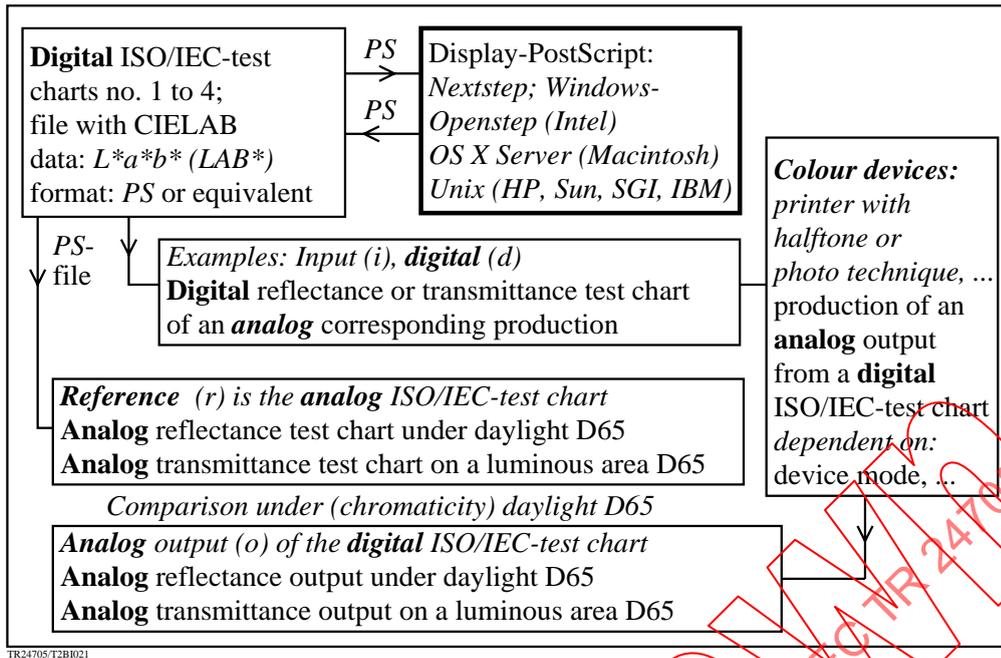


Figure 10: Creation and output for colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 10 shows the creation of an **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts as reference from a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (left) and the creation of an **analog printer** output from a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (right). This **analog** printer output must be compared with the **analog** reference (bottom).

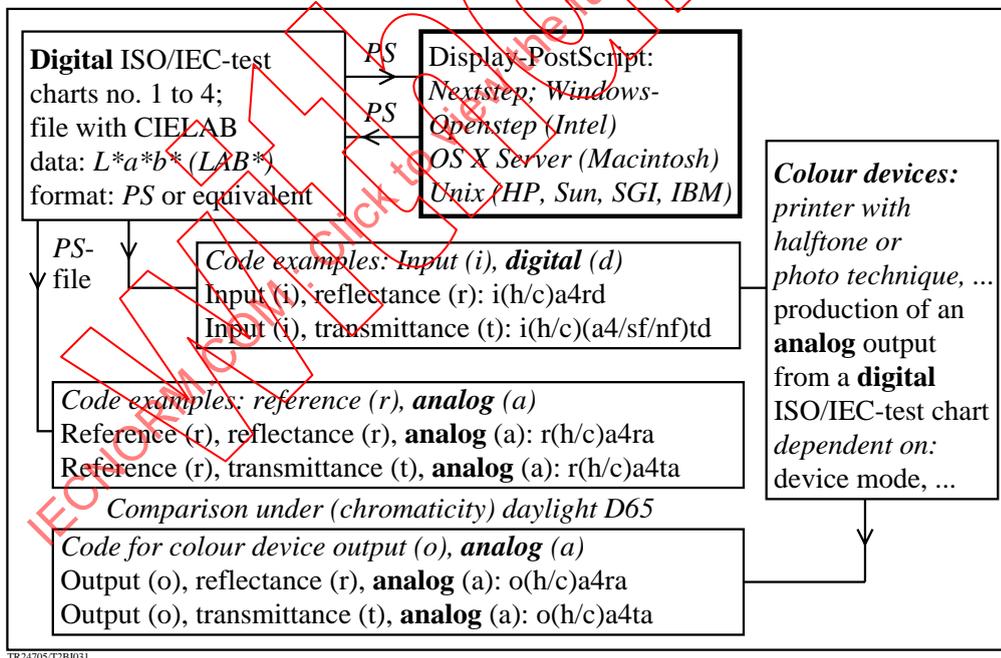


Figure 11: Codes for evaluation of image reproduction for colour devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 11 shows code examples for the input, output and reference image reproduction process for colour devices: “**digital – analog**” outlined in Fig. 10. The **analog printer** output produced must be compared with the corresponding **analog** reference. The codes are further described in section 4.4 and in Annex H.

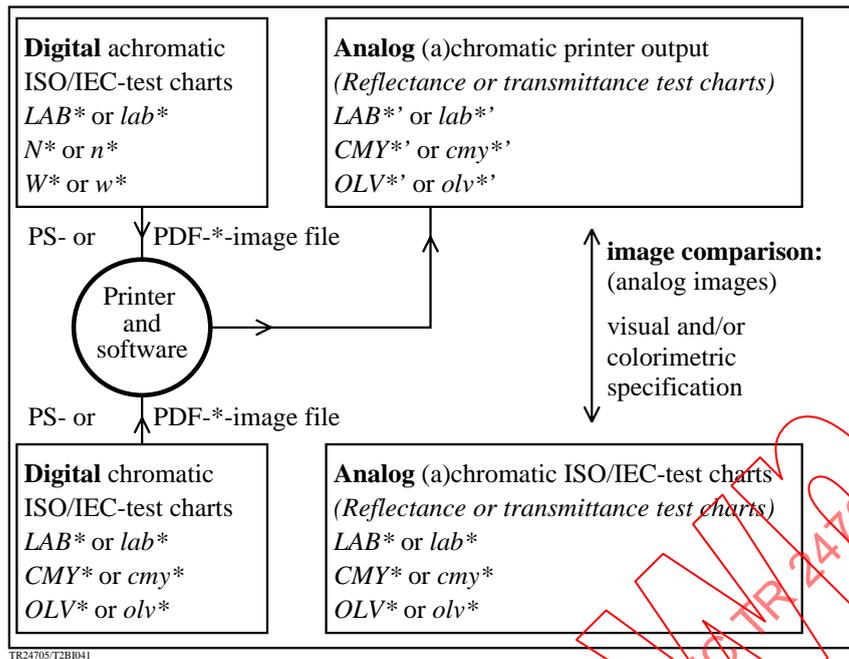


Figure 12: Specification of image reproduction for colour devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 12 shows the specification of the image reproduction of the printer output by visual assessment and/or colorimetric measurement. The **analog printer** output (reproduction) must be compared with the **analog** reference (the **analog** original of the ISO/IEC-test chart).

7.3 Parameters for the PS-output of colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog”

The following methods can be used to output the *PS*-files or equivalents:

- *PS*-files are reproduced directly using "copy" or "download" to a *PostScript*-printer (min. Level 2).

NOTE 1: In this case the printer output is not influenced by the printer driver or the computer operating system or the computer software. The printer output is managed by the *PS*-software within the *PS*-printer or equivalent software within an equivalent printer.

NOTE 2: For achromatic ISO/IEC-test charts it is possible to get an output on any *PS*-printer or equivalent.

7.4 Parameters for the creation and output of *PDF*-files

The *PDF*-files or equivalents can e. g. be created from *PS*-files using "*Adobe Acrobat Distiller*" (see Fig. 9).

NOTE: *Distiller*-Version number 3.0 or higher is required so that the device independent *CIELAB*-data of the *PS*-files can be included in the *PDF*-files. *Distiller*-preferences, (such as halftone Yes/No), change the printer output for a halftone image. For example the output of pictures A5 or C5 of the ISO/IEC-test charts 1 or 3 is different depending on the choice of *PDF*-files or *PS*-files for the input.

There are different methods to produce output using the *PDF*-files.

- PDF*-files can be viewed on any monitor of any computer operating system with *Adobe Acrobat Reader*. With the menu "print" of *Adobe Acrobat Reader* the digital files can be reproduced on any printer (not only *PostScript*-printers) (see Fig. 10).

NOTE 1: The presentation on the monitor has no influence on the printer output.

- With the installed Plug-In *Adobe Acrobat Reader* installed, *PDF*-files can be viewed on the internet or "offline" by web browsers (e. g. *Netscape Navigator*, *Microsoft Internet Explorer*) on any operating system and on any monitor. The digital files can be reproduced on any printer (not just *PostScript*-printers) by using the menu option "print" of *Adobe Acrobat Reader* (more colour correct) or the menu "print" of the browser (less colour correct) .

- PDF*-files can be reproduced directly by "copy" or by "download" on any *PostScript*-printer, if the functions "*PDF*-copy" or "*PDF*-download" are supported by the printer.

NOTE 2: The printer output is not influenced by the printer driver of the computer operating system nor by the computer software. The printer output is managed by the *PDF*-software within the *PS*-printer.

8. Visual and colorimetric tests of printer systems: “digital – analog”

The main procedures for the visual and colorimetric tests for all applications are described in Section 5.

8.1 General

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (printers) use the Section 5.1 “General” and the following additions:
At least two out of the four **analog printer** outputs are required. These must be produced from the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts one after another with unchanged mode for the colour **printer**. The colours in the ISO/IEC-test charts are defined in relative $L^*a^*b^*$ -data, in part also in absolute $L^*a^*b^*$ -data, see pictures B1 and B6 of test chart 2 as well as picture D1 and D6 of test chart 4.

The operating modes, media and supplies (paper, colour toner, printing inks) recommended by the colour **printer** manufacturer should be used and must be specified in the test report. Deviations must be specified. It is necessary to test the **printer** outputs soon after the printing.

The visual test and the colorimetric specification of image reproduction of colour devices can be done by comparison of the **analog** colour **printer** output with the **analog** reference (the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart). For the test two methods are available:

- visual testing, if necessary with an optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.
- colorimetric specification (for interpretation see Annex G).

The testing results must be summarized as follows:

For the visual evaluation of the picture area use the forms in Annex A to Annex D.

For the visual evaluation of the frame area use the forms in Annex E and F.

The sections of these forms correspond to the different testing elements.

8.2 Visual test

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (printers) use the Section 5.2 “Visual test”.

8.3 Colorimetric specification

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (printers) use the Section 5.3 “Colorimetric specification”.

9. Test report of printer systems: “digital – analog”

The test report for all applications is described in Section 6.

9.1 General

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (printers) use the Section 6.1 “General” and the following additions:

The test report with the results of the test should at least the following:

- statement of the colour **printer** device model;
- Specification of the ISO/IEC-code for input, output and reference (see Annex H, Table H.4).
- For a **printer** the following parameters are necessary:
 - The **printer** working mode selected and/or specification of the selected adjustment,
 - The special adjustment and materials used (for printers),
 - description of the paper used,
 - description of other supplies used (toner, printer cassettes),
 - imageable paper area of the A4 size (e. g. 185 mm x 285 mm);
- at least two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the image area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4,
 - at least one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex A or Annex C,
 - at least one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex B or Annex D;
- two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the frame area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4,
 - one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex E,
 - one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex F;
- the normal colour vision and normal visual acuity of the testing persons are to be stated;
- optional a colorimetric specification according to Annex G;
- test person, place and date

10. Test charts for image reproduction of scanner systems: “analog – digital”

The test charts for all applications are described in Section 4.

10.1 General

The analog and digital test charts for the assessment of scanner outputs are defined in Section 4.1.

10.2 Output technique for colour image reproduction devices: “analog – digital” (scanners)

A method for the specification of the image reproduction of scanners is defined. It is based on equally spaced colour scales for input.

For the specification of achromatic reproduction analog ISO/IEC-test charts 1 and/or 3 are scanned and for the specification of chromatic reproduction analog ISO/IEC-test charts 2 and/or 4 (chromatic) are scanned.

NOTE: For each analog ISO/IEC-test chart produced by a manufacturer which is scanned there exists a corresponding digital ISO/IEC-test chart (a computer file). It is important that as reference the corresponding digital ISO/IEC-test chart is used as reference.

The digital ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 in the *PS (PostScript)* (or equivalent) format can be read and edited with nearly every editor on any computer operating system. The ISO/IEC-test charts include the colours in absolute (*LAB**) or relative (*lab**) CIELAB-coordinates.

The following is a useful output technique: the **digital scanner** output (reproduction) of an **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart is produced by the standard scanning process. The **digital scanner** output is used for comparison with the corresponding **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (“**digital**”-reference).

NOTE 1: The scanner output is influenced by the computer operating system, the application software, the scanner driver, the scanner mode and the hardware.

NOTE 2: The colour image scanning transforms the digital **-image* („star-image“) into a different ***-image* („star-prime-image“) by the standard scanning reproduction process. This transformation is defined as a standard image transformation (see Fig. 1).

For the specification of the image reproduction of the scanner system the ****-coordinates (“star-prime-coordinates”) of the **digital scanner** file are compared with the ***-coordinates of the corresponding **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart file.

NOTE 1: Table 6 show the absolute CIELAB-coordinates of offset colour printing.

NOTE 2: The CIELAB-coordinates of offset colour printing are the basis for 16-step relative coordinates, e. g. *n** and *cmy**, between the two colours White – Black (*wn**), White – Cyan-blue, White – Magenta-red, and White – Leaf-green (*cmy**).

NOTE 3: The 16-step relative ***-coordinates (“star-coordinates”) of the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (e. g. *n** or *cmy**) correspond exactly to CIELAB coordinates and vice versa.

NOTE 4: The 16-step relative ****-coordinates (“star-prime-coordinates”) of the **digital** scanner output file (e. g. *n*** or *cmy***) correspond exactly to CIELAB coordinates and vice versa.

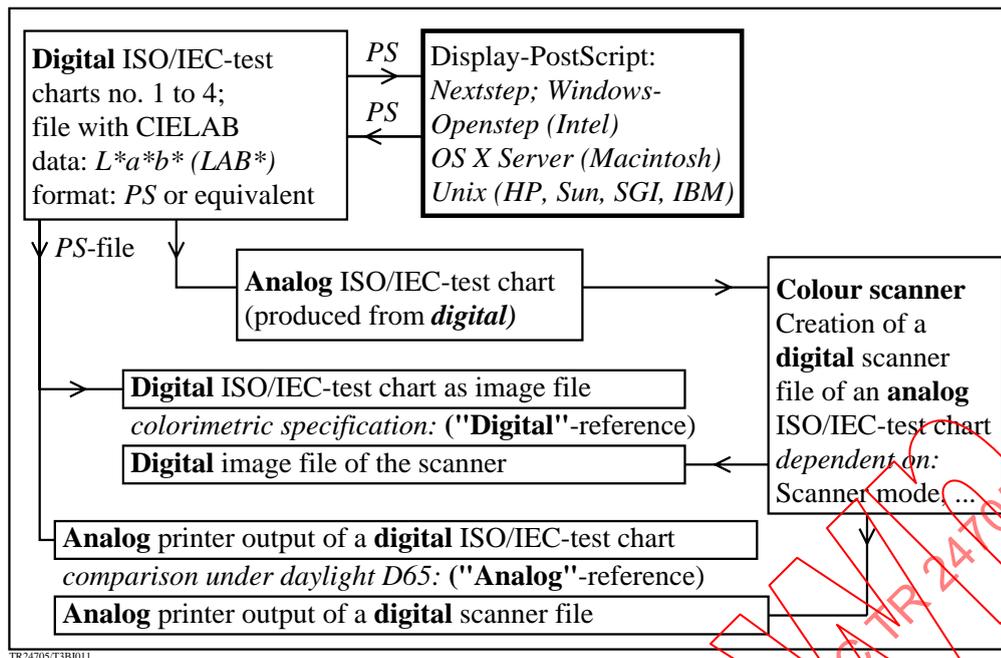


Figure 13: Creation and colour output techniques use of the analog test charts with scanners

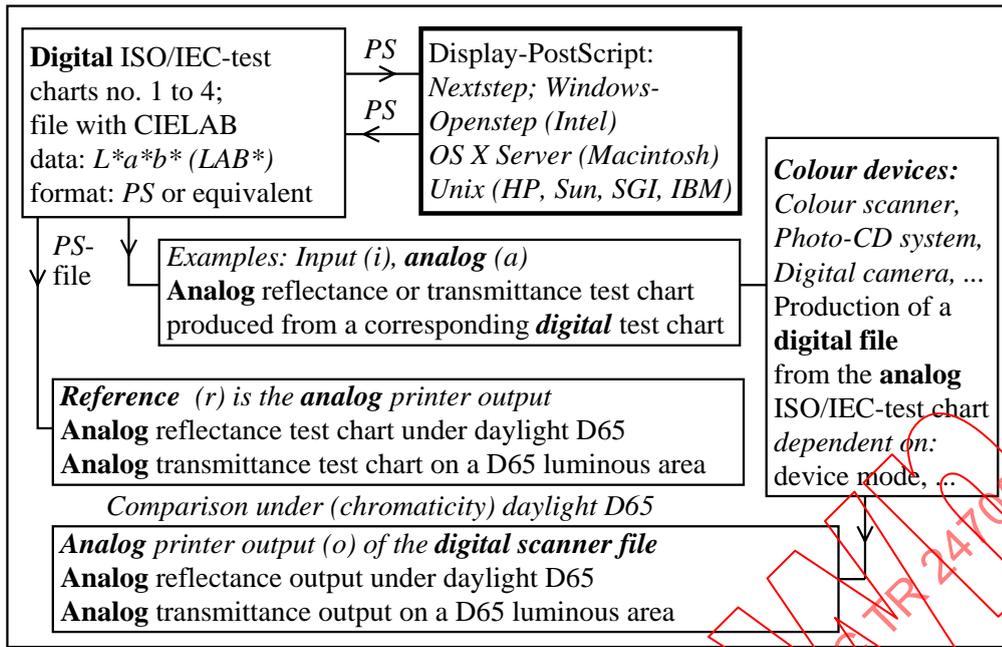
Fig. 13 shows the creation of **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts by a *Display-PostScript* system (*top side*). A **scanner** produces a **digital** scanner-test chart from an **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart (*right side*). The digital scanner-test chart is used to produce an **analog printer** output (*bottom side*).

A scan of an **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart with *-coordinates ("star-coordinates") is illustrated in the middle upper part of Fig. 13. There are two methods for comparison:

1. The **digital scanner** file with *-coordinates, produced by the scanner (including software) from the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart, is used for comparison with the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart as reference ("digital"-reference).
2. The **digital scanner** file with *-coordinates and the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart with *-coordinates are both used to produce **two analog printer** outputs to be compared with each other. In this case the **printer** changes the colours of the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart file and the **digital** scanner file in similar manner, so the real changes of the scanner should be visible if the printer reproduction process is reasonable stable. The **printer output** of the digital ISO/IEC-test chart is the "**analog**"-reference.

NOTE: There is a third possibility not used here as general method:

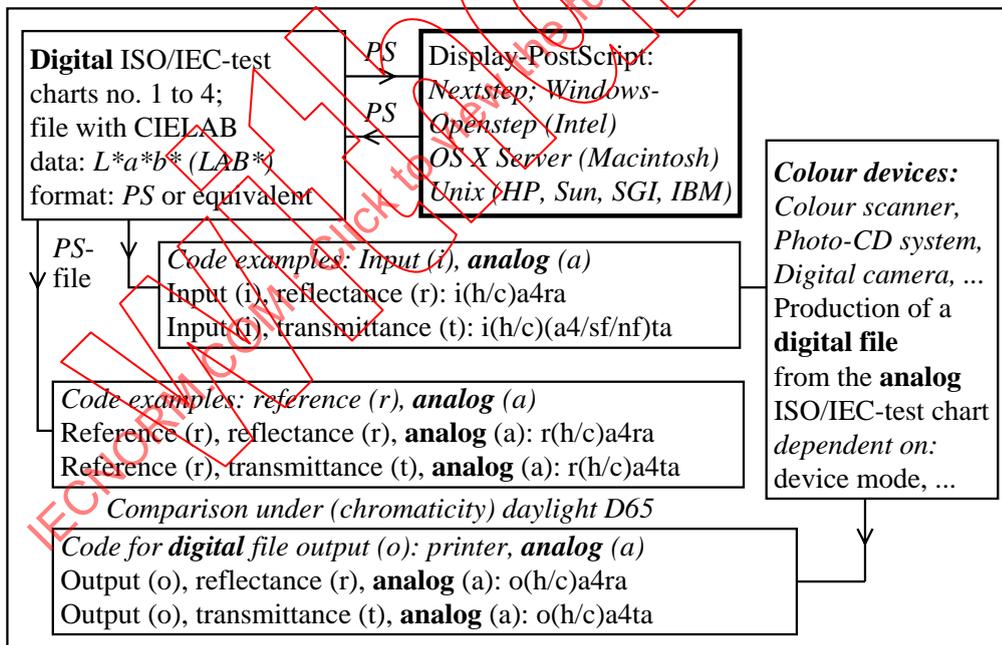
The **digital scanner** file with *-coordinates is used to produce an **analog printer** output. The **analog printer** output is compared with the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart. In this case the printer changes the colours given defined in the **digital scanner** file. Here the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart is the "**analog**"-reference



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Figure 14: Creation and output for colour image reproduction devices: “analog – digital” with “analog” reference

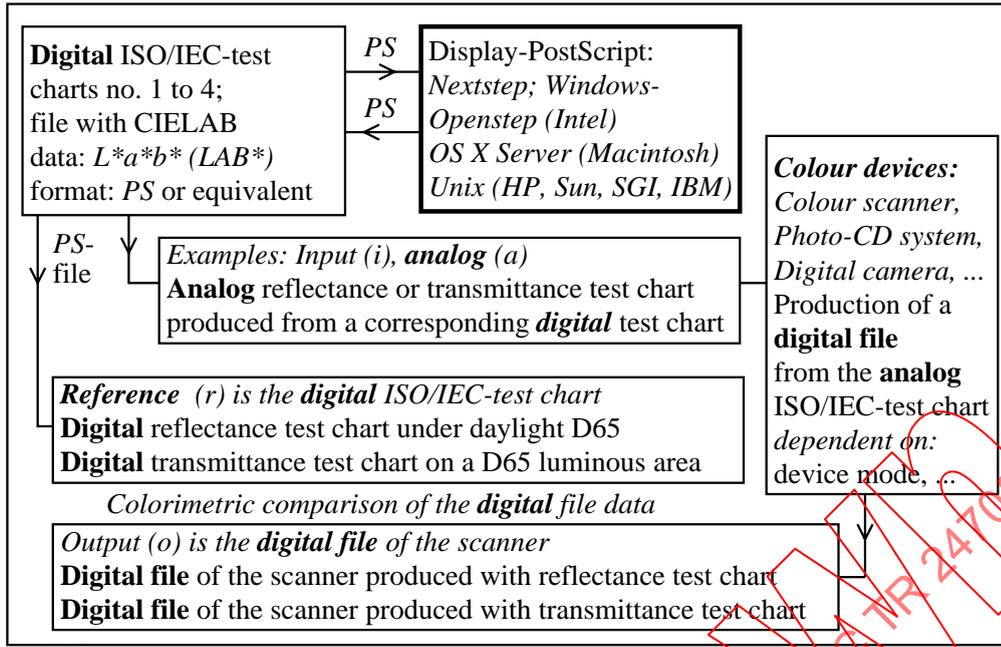
Fig. 14 shows the **printer** output as **analog reference** from a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (left) and the production of an **digital scanner** file output from a **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart (right). This **analog printer** output of the scanner file must be compared with the **analog** reference produced with the same printer (bottom).



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Figure 15: Codes for evaluation of image reproduction for colour devices: “analog – digital” with “analog”-reference

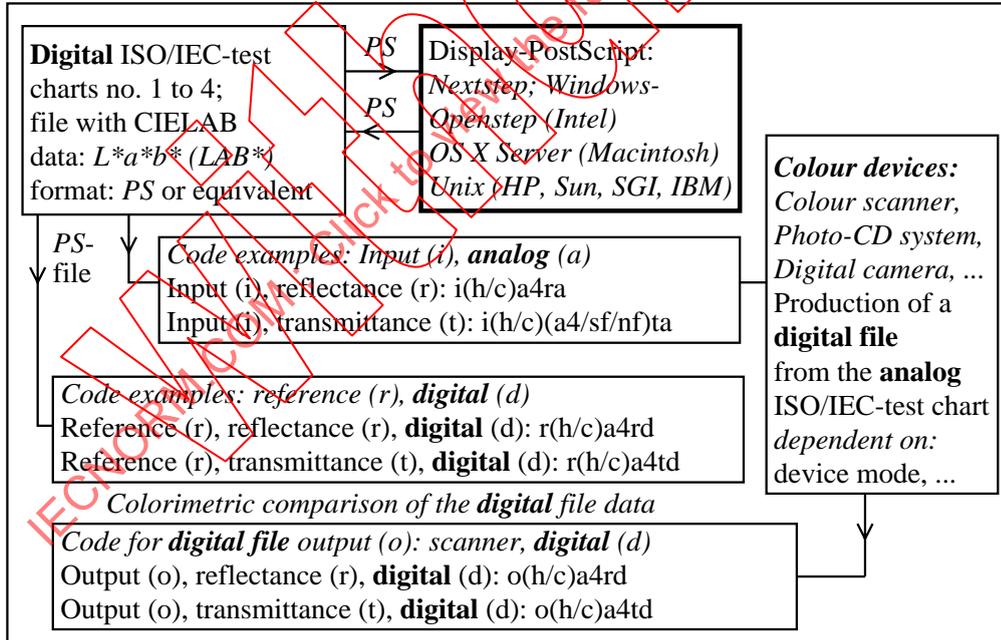
Fig. 15 shows code examples for the input, output and reference of image reproduction for colour devices: “**analog – digital**” shown in Fig. 14. The produced **analog printer** output must be compared with the corresponding **analog** reference produced with the same printer.



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Figure 16: Creation and output for colour image reproduction devices: “analog – digital” with “digital”-reference

Fig. 16 shows the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart as reference (left) and the production of a **digital scanner file** from an **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart (right). This **digital scanner** output file must be compared with the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart as reference (bottom).



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Figure 17: Codes for evaluation of image reproduction for colour devices: “analog – digital” with “digital”-reference

Fig. 17 shows code examples for the input, output and reference of image reproduction for colour devices: “**analog – digital**” shown in Fig. 16. The produced **digital scanner** file output must be compared with the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart as reference (bottom)

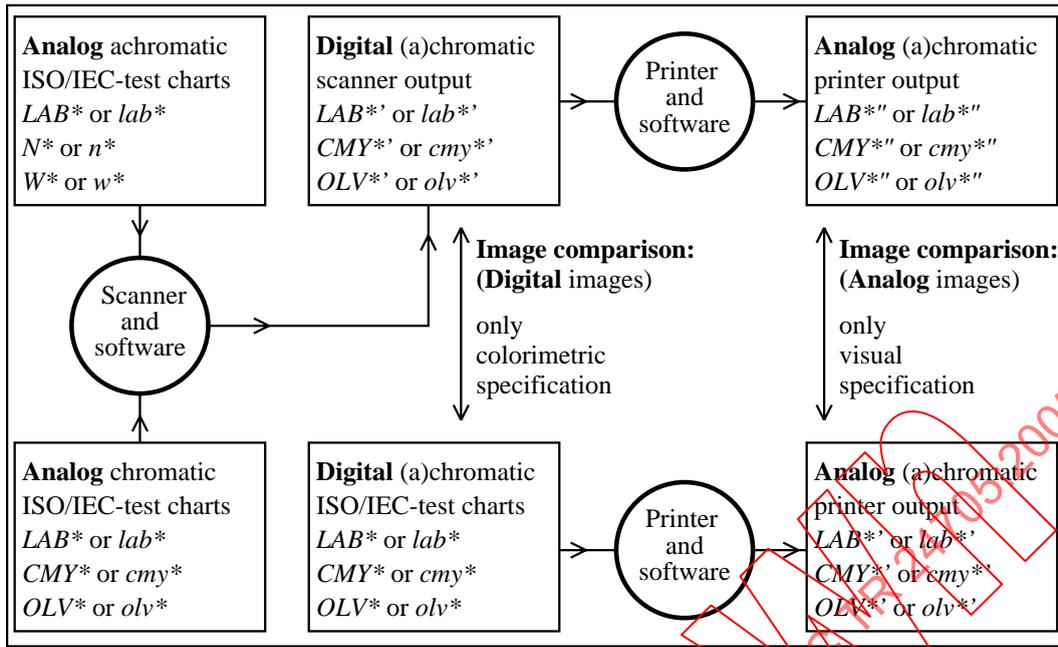


Figure 18: Specification of the image reproduction of scanners for colour devices: “analog – digital” with “digital”-reference and “analog”-reference

Fig. 18 shows the scanner process of analog ISO/IEC-test charts (left side) with *-coordinates („star-coordinates“). An example for both the “digital”-reference (middle) and the “analog”-reference (right) is given.

10.3 Methods to determine the *-coordinates of the digital scanner-test chart

For specifying digital image reproduction of colour scanners the *-coordinates („star-prime-coordinates“) of the digital scanner-test chart must be determined.

NOTE: Scanners (including software) create different digital coordinates which often are called *cmym* (four coordinates of the subtractive colour mixture) or *rgb* (three coordinates of the additive colour mixture). These coordinates are defined as *-coordinates („star-prime-coordinates“) *cmyn** and *olv** in this Technical Report. The scanner output coordinates deviate from the *-coordinates („star-coordinates“) of the ISO/IEC-test chart.

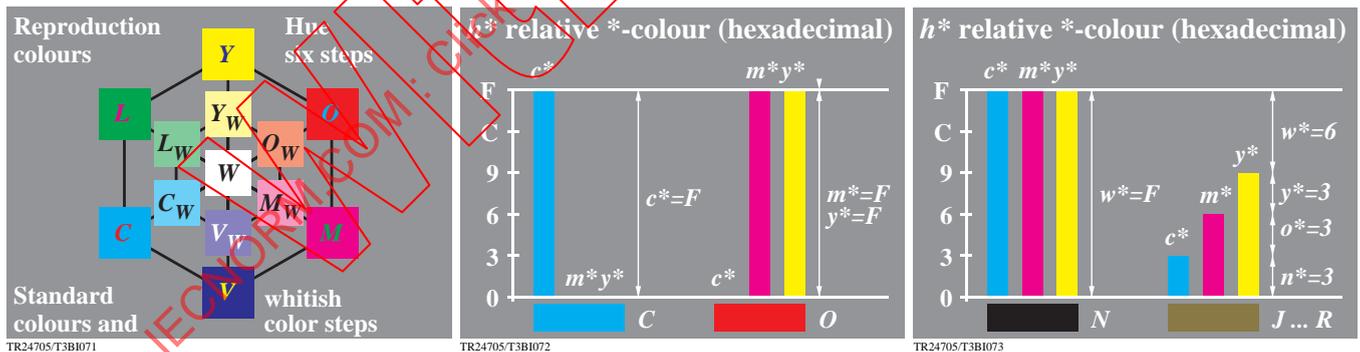


Figure 19: Colour series between white W and C, M, Y, O, L, V and relative coordinates *cmynw**.

Fig. 19 shows the basic colours of offset printing with relative colour series between white W and C, M, Y, O, L, V. The basic colours of reproduction technology are located here on a regular hexagon. Each colour is defined by three relative *-coordinates („star-coordinates“) *cmy**. Often *n** and *w** are also determined or calculated.

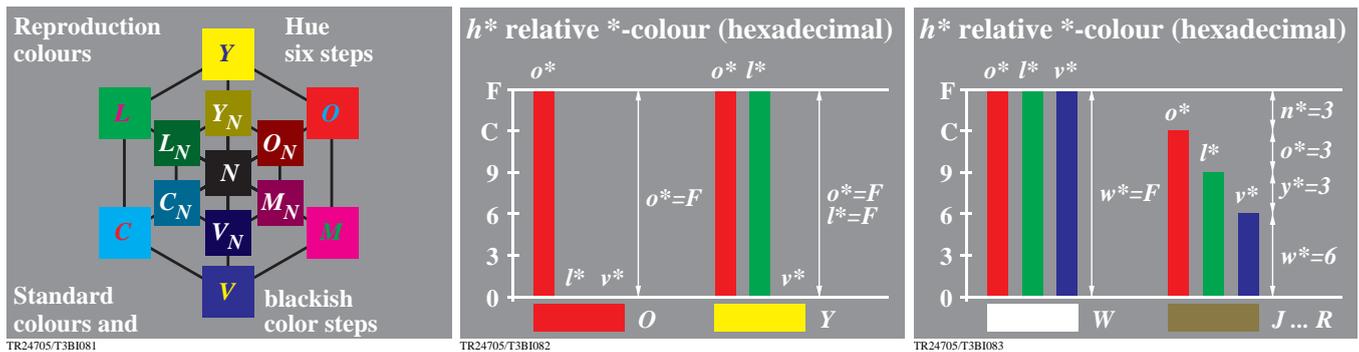


Figure 20: Colour series between black N and C, M, Y, O, L, V and relative coordinates olv nw*

Fig. 20 shows the basic colours of offset printing with colour series between black N and C, M, Y, O, L, V. The basic colours of reproduction technology are located here on a regular hexagon. Each colour is defined by three relative *-coordinates („star-coordinates“) olv*. Often n* and w* are also determined or calculated.

Table 16: Coordinates of Picture A6 of the digital ISO/IEC-test chart 1 in white-black-direction

Coordinates of Picture A6 in digital ISO/IEC-test chart 1 in White-Black direction																
grey step decimal no.	step n*	CIELAB-coordinates absolute coordinates decimal test chart 1			*-coordinates relative coordinates hexadecimal and decimal achrom. chromatic CMY			*-coordinates relative coordinates hexadecimal and decimal achrom. chromatic CMY			chromatic OLV olv*					
		L*	a*	b*	n*	w*	cmv*	n*	w*	cmv*	o	v	n			
01	0,000	94,00	00,00	00,00	00	FF	00 00 00	0,000	0,000	0,000	FF	FF	FF	1,000	1,000	1,000
02	0,067	88,40	00,00	00,00	11	EE	11 11 11	0,067	0,067	0,067	EE	EE	EE	0,933	0,933	0,933
03	0,133	82,80	00,00	00,00	22	DD	22 22 22	0,133	0,133	0,133	DD	DD	DD	0,867	0,867	0,867
04	0,200	77,20	00,00	00,00	33	CC	33 33 33	0,200	0,200	0,200	CC	CC	CC	0,800	0,800	0,800
05	0,267	71,60	00,00	00,00	44	BB	44 44 44	0,267	0,267	0,267	BB	BB	BB	0,733	0,733	0,733
06	0,333	66,00	00,00	00,00	55	AA	55 55 55	0,333	0,333	0,333	AA	AA	AA	0,667	0,667	0,667
07	0,400	60,40	00,00	00,00	66	99	66 66 66	0,400	0,400	0,400	99	99	99	0,600	0,600	0,600
08	0,467	54,80	00,00	00,00	77	88	77 77 77	0,467	0,467	0,467	88	88	88	0,533	0,533	0,533
09	0,533	49,20	00,00	00,00	88	77	88 88 88	0,533	0,533	0,533	77	77	77	0,467	0,467	0,467
10	0,600	43,60	00,00	00,00	99	66	99 99 99	0,600	0,600	0,600	66	66	66	0,400	0,400	0,400
11	0,667	38,00	00,00	00,00	AA	55	AA AA AA	0,667	0,667	0,667	55	55	55	0,333	0,333	0,333
12	0,733	32,40	00,00	00,00	BB	44	BB BB BB	0,733	0,733	0,733	44	44	44	0,267	0,267	0,267
13	0,800	26,80	00,00	00,00	CC	33	CC CC CC	0,800	0,800	0,800	33	33	33	0,200	0,200	0,200
14	0,867	21,20	00,00	00,00	DD	22	DD DD DD	0,867	0,867	0,867	22	22	22	0,133	0,133	0,133
15	0,933	15,60	00,00	00,00	EE	11	EE EE EE	0,933	0,933	0,933	11	11	11	0,067	0,067	0,067
16	1,000	10,00	00,00	00,00	FF	00	FF FF FF	1,000	1,000	1,000	00	00	00	0,000	0,000	0,000

Table 17: Coordinates of Picture C6 of the digital ISO/IEC-test chart 3 in white-black-direction

Coordinates of Picture C6 in digital ISO/IEC-test chart 3 in White-Black direction																
grey step decimal no.	step n*	CIELAB-coordinates absolute coordinates decimal test chart 1			*-coordinates relative coordinates hexadecimal and decimal achrom. chromatic CMY			*-coordinates relative coordinates hexadecimal and decimal achrom. chromatic CMY			chromatic OLV olv*					
		L*	a*	b*	n*	w*	cmv*	n*	w*	cmv*	o	v	n			
01	0,000	95,41	-0,98	4,76	00	FF	00 00 00	0,000	0,000	0,000	FF	FF	FF	1,000	1,000	1,000
02	0,067	90,25	-0,88	4,41	11	EE	11 11 11	0,067	0,067	0,067	EE	EE	EE	0,933	0,933	0,933
03	0,133	85,09	-0,78	4,06	22	DD	22 22 22	0,133	0,133	0,133	DD	DD	DD	0,867	0,867	0,867
04	0,200	79,93	-0,68	3,71	33	CC	33 33 33	0,200	0,200	0,200	CC	CC	CC	0,800	0,800	0,800
05	0,267	74,77	-0,58	3,37	44	BB	44 44 44	0,267	0,267	0,267	BB	BB	BB	0,733	0,733	0,733
06	0,333	69,61	-0,48	3,02	55	AA	55 55 55	0,333	0,333	0,333	AA	AA	AA	0,667	0,667	0,667
07	0,400	64,45	-0,38	2,67	66	99	66 66 66	0,400	0,400	0,400	99	99	99	0,600	0,600	0,600
08	0,467	59,29	-0,28	2,32	77	88	77 77 77	0,467	0,467	0,467	88	88	88	0,533	0,533	0,533
09	0,533	54,13	-0,19	1,97	88	77	88 88 88	0,533	0,533	0,533	77	77	77	0,467	0,467	0,467
10	0,600	48,97	-0,09	1,62	99	66	99 99 99	0,600	0,600	0,600	66	66	66	0,400	0,400	0,400
11	0,667	43,81	0,00	1,27	AA	55	AA AA AA	0,667	0,667	0,667	55	55	55	0,333	0,333	0,333
12	0,733	38,65	0,10	0,92	BB	44	BB BB BB	0,733	0,733	0,733	44	44	44	0,267	0,267	0,267
13	0,800	33,49	0,20	0,58	CC	33	CC CC CC	0,800	0,800	0,800	33	33	33	0,200	0,200	0,200
14	0,867	28,33	0,30	0,23	DD	22	DD DD DD	0,867	0,867	0,867	22	22	22	0,133	0,133	0,133
15	0,933	23,17	0,40	-0,11	EE	11	EE EE EE	0,933	0,933	0,933	11	11	11	0,067	0,067	0,067
16	1,000	18,01	0,50	-0,46	FF	00	FF FF FF	1,000	1,000	1,000	00	00	00	0,000	0,000	0,000

Table 16 and Table 17 show the absolute CIELAB and relatives *-coordinates n*, w*, cmv*, and olv* of the digital



Figure 21: Original 16 grey steps and output of 16 grey steps with *- and *-coordinates.

In the upper row Fig. 21 shows the *-coordinates („star-coordinates“) described by hexadecimal data between 00 and FF for the 16 **equally spaced** grey steps of the input. The fact that they are **equally spaced** is shown in Table 18 for ISO/IEC-test chart 1. In the lower row Fig. 21 shows the *-coordinates („star-prime-coordinates“) with hexadecimal data between 08 and CF for the 16 grey steps of the scanner output. These are **not equally spaced** in Table 18 for the digital scanner-test chart 1.

Table 19: Colorimetric data for the series W–N of ISO/IEC-test chart 1 and scanner-test chart 1

i	LAB*ref			oly*out			w*	LAB*out			LAB*ouc			ΔE*
1	10.0	0.0	0.0	15.8	8.4	11.0	0.04	13.58	0.0	0.0	13.58	0.0	0.0	3.58
2	15.6	0.0	0.0	17.2	8.8	11.0	0.05	13.82	0.0	0.0	13.82	0.0	0.0	1.78
3	21.2	0.0	0.0	35.0	22.4	29.0	0.1	18.76	0.0	0.0	18.76	0.0	0.0	2.44
4	26.8	0.0	0.0	48.2	40.4	41.0	0.17	24.16	0.0	0.0	24.16	0.0	0.0	2.64
5	32.4	0.0	0.0	62.0	56.8	56.4	0.23	29.28	0.0	0.0	29.28	0.0	0.0	3.12
6	38.0	0.0	0.0	73.6	68.6	68.2	0.28	33.15	0.0	0.0	33.15	0.0	0.0	4.85
7	43.6	0.0	0.0	87.2	82.4	81.6	0.33	37.67	0.0	0.0	37.67	0.0	0.0	5.93
8	49.2	0.0	0.0	100.0	95.4	97.2	0.38	41.93	0.0	0.0	41.93	0.0	0.0	7.27
9	54.8	0.0	0.0	113.8	108.4	110.4	0.43	46.3	0.0	0.0	46.3	0.0	0.0	8.5
10	60.4	0.0	0.0	126.2	123.0	126.4	0.49	50.87	0.0	0.0	50.87	0.0	0.0	9.53
11	66.0	0.0	0.0	139.4	136.4	140.4	0.54	55.26	0.0	0.0	55.26	0.0	0.0	10.74
12	71.6	0.0	0.0	153.4	149.4	155.8	0.59	59.65	0.0	0.0	59.65	0.0	0.0	11.95
13	77.2	0.0	0.0	166.8	163.4	167.4	0.65	64.2	0.0	0.0	64.2	0.0	0.0	13.0
14	82.8	0.0	0.0	179.4	175.2	179.2	0.69	68.17	0.0	0.0	68.17	0.0	0.0	14.63
15	88.4	0.0	0.0	196.4	191.0	195.2	0.76	73.51	0.0	0.0	73.51	0.0	0.0	14.89
16	94.0	0.0	0.0	207.0	204.2	207.6	0.8	77.57	0.0	0.0	77.57	0.0	0.0	16.43
17	10.0	0.0	0.0	15.8	8.4	11.0	0.04	13.58	0.0	0.0	13.58	0.0	0.0	3.58
18	31.0	0.0	0.0	48.2	40.4	41.0	0.17	24.16	0.0	0.0	24.16	0.0	0.0	6.84
19	52.0	0.0	0.0	87.2	82.4	81.6	0.33	37.67	0.0	0.0	37.67	0.0	0.0	14.33
20	73.0	0.0	0.0	153.4	149.4	155.8	0.59	59.65	0.0	0.0	59.65	0.0	0.0	13.35
21	94.0	0.0	0.0	207.0	204.2	207.6	0.8	77.57	0.0	0.0	77.57	0.0	0.0	16.43

Specification according to DIN 33866–1, Annex G
Regularity
 $g^* = 82.2$
Lightness gamut
 $f^* = 99.3$
Mean colour difference (16 samples)
 $\Delta E^*_{CIELAB} = 8.2$
Mean colour difference (5 samples)
 $\Delta L^*_{CIELAB} = 10.9$
 $R^*_{ab,m} = 59$

Mean colour reproduction index:

For the equally spaced colour series W–N of digital ISO/IEC-test chart 1, Table 19 shows the original CIELAB-data (left side). The digital scanner-test chart includes relative w*-data which allow calculation of the corresponding CIELAB-data of the scanner-test chart. Table 19 serves as example for the colorimetric specification of the scanner output according to Annex G.

This colorimetric specification of the scanner output depends on transformation possibilities between relative *-coordinates („star-coordinates“) cmyolvnw* and L*a*b*-coordinates of CIELAB colour space. A unique transform in both directions is possible as long as the basic colours CMYOLVWN of colour offset printing are defined by L*a*b*-coordinates in CIELAB colour space. These data for the offset printing process are given in Table 6.

NOTE: Computer programs for the transformation between relative cmyolvnw*-coordinates and L*a*b*-coordinates of CIELAB colour space and vice versa are given as technical information on web sites (see Annex N).

11. Visual and colorimetric test of scanner systems: “analog – digital”

The main procedures for the visual and colorimetric tests for all applications are described in Section 5.

11.1 General

For reproduction systems “analog – digital” (scanners) use the Section 5.1 “General” and the following additions: for the purposes of this Report at least two out of the four **digital scanner** outputs are required. These must be produced from the **analog** ISO/IEC-test charts one after another with unchanged mode for the colour **scanner**. The colours in the ISO/IEC-test charts are defined in relative $L^*a^*b^*$ -data, in part also in absolute $L^*a^*b^*$ -data. See pictures B1 and B6 of test chart 2 as well as picture D1 and D6 of test chart 4.

The operating mode recommended by the colour **scanner** manufacturer should be used and must be specified in the test report. Any deviations must be specified.

The visual test and the colorimetric specification of image reproduction of colour devices can be done by comparison of

- **digital** scanner output with the **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart which corresponds to the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart used with the scanner
- **analog printer** or **monitor** output or of the **digital** scanner file with the **analog** reference (the **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart).

For the test two methods are available:

- a) visual testing, if necessary with optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.

NOTE 1: For a visual test of the resolution of the digital scanner file (pixel file) using analog output the printer used must have at least twice the resolution of the scanner file. For example, the scanner file has a resolution of 1200 dpi and 75 dpi halftone resolution (for 16 x 16 points/pixel) then the printer output must have at least 150 dpi halftone resolution.

NOTE 2: The web server <http://www.ps.bam.de> has digital pixel files of the ISO/IEC-test charts. These are large files and require a lot of storage space (24 or 96 MByte as *PostScript* pixel file for the A4 size of the ISO/IEC-test charts and 300 dpi or 600 dpi halftone resolution). For a visual test the output of a *PostScript*-pixel file of an ISO/IEC-test chart (with twice the resolution of the scanner file) must be included in the test report

- b) colorimetric specification (for interpretation see Annex G).

The testing results have to be summarized as follows:

For the visual evaluation of the picture area the forms in Annex A to Annex D must be used.

For the visual evaluation of the frame area the forms in Annex E and Annex F must be used.

The sections of these forms correspond to the different testing elements.

11.2 Visual test

For the reproduction systems “analog – digital” (scanners) use the Section 5.2 “Visual test”.

11.3 Colorimetric specification

For the reproduction systems “analog – digital” (scanners) use the Section 5.3 “Colorimetric specification”.

12. Test report of scanner systems: “analog – digital”

The test report for all applications is described in section 6.

12.1 General

For the reproduction systems “analog – digital” (scanners) use the Section 6.1 “General” and the following additions:

The test report with the results of the test should at least contain the following:

- statement of the colour **scanner** device model;
- selected scanner working mode and/or specification of the selected adjustment
- Specification of the ISO/IEC-code for input, output and reference (see Annex H, Table H.3).
- Statement if “**analog**”- or “**digital**”-reference is chosen.

– in case of “**analog**”-reference:

For a **printer** the following parameters are necessary:

- statement of the colour **printer** device model,
- selected **printer** working mode and/or specification of the selected adjustment,
- for the specification of **printers** the special adjustments and materials used,
- description of the paper used,
- description of other supplies used (toner, printer cassettes),
- imageable paper area of A4 size (e. g. 185 mm x 285 mm);

For a **monitor** the following parameters are necessary:

- statement of the colour **monitor** device model
- selected **monitor** working mode and/or specification of the selected adjustment,
- for the specification of **monitors** the special adjustments and materials used,
- specification of the room illumination used,
- specification of other environment conditions (room illuminance),
- viewed monitor area of the A4 size (e. g. 185 mm x 285 mm);

– further in case of “**analog**”-reference:

- at least two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the image area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4, at least one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex A or Annex C, at least one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex B or Annex D;
- two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the frame area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4, one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex E, one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex F;
- the normal colour vision and normal visual acuity of the testing persons are to be stated;
- optional a colorimetric specification according to Annex G;

– in case of “**digital**”-reference:

- verbal description of properties (e. g. digital data range, digital distances for equally spaced input scales of the pixel outputs of all colour series of the at least the two used ISO/IEC-test charts),
- if possible a colorimetric specification according to Annex G (Evaluation with ^{*}-coordinates (“star-prime”-coordinates). See Table 18.

- test person, place and date

13. Test charts for image reproduction of monitor systems: “digital – analog”

The test charts for all applications are described in Section 4.

13.1 General

The analog and digital test charts for the assessment of monitor outputs are defined in Section 4.1.

13.2 Output technique for colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog” (monitors)

The **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts 1 to 4 in the *PS (PostScript)* (or equivalent) format can be read by any editor on nearly every computer operating system. They include the colours in absolute (*LAB**) or relative (*lab**) CIELAB-coordinates.

A useful standard reproduction process is to produce an **analog** output (reproduction) of a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart and then to compare the **analog** output with the corresponding **analog** reference test chart. An **analog monitor** output may be compared with a transparent **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart on the surface of a luminous area D65 light source.

NOTE 1: The monitor output is influenced by the computer operating system, the application software, the monitor driver, the monitor mode and the hardware.

NOTE 2: The image reproduction device transforms the digital *-image („star-image“) into a different *-image („star-prime-image“) by the reproduction process. This transformation is defined as standard device transformation (see Fig. 1)

NOTE 3: The input digital *-image („star-image“) can be transformed into an inverse *-image („prime-star-image“) and then reproduced with the standard device transformation (see Fig. 2) either by the software of the computer operating system or by the software within the *Display-PostScript* driver (e. g. *Macintosh OS X Server*). The colour differences between input and output will then become very small for every colour reproduction device, and they will also be similar to the **analog** reference ISO/IEC-test chart.

NOTE 4: The calculation of the inverse digital *-image („prime-star-image“) from the digital *-image („star-image“) to optimize the output is not a part of this Technical Report. This Report serves only to specify the output.

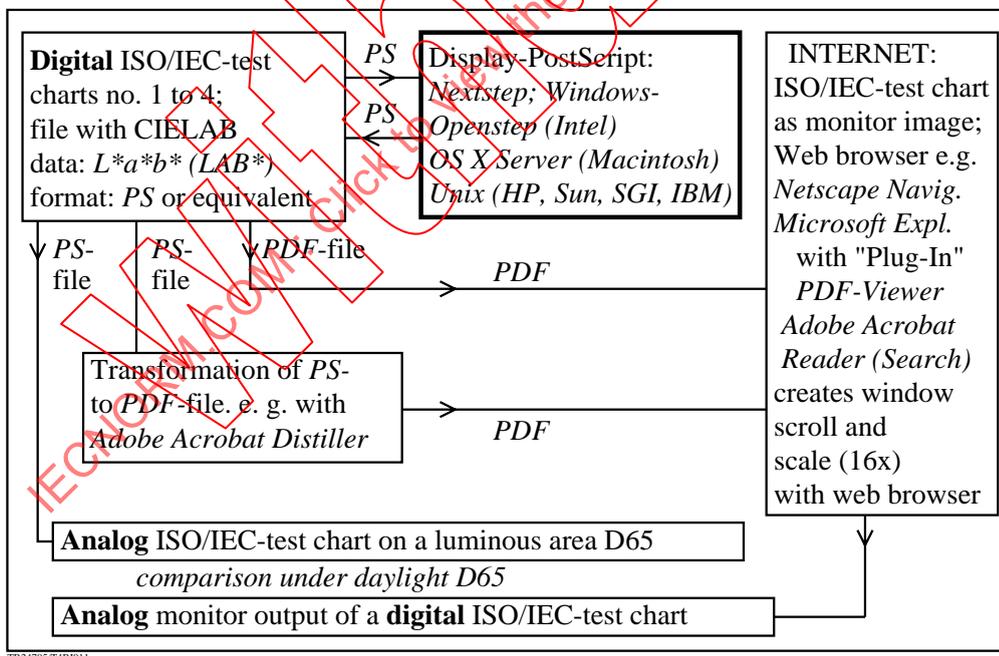


Figure 22: Creation and colour output techniques for the digital test charts on monitors

Fig. 22 shows the creation of **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts by *Display-PostScript* and the **analog monitor** output of **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts with different software and different computer operating systems in the *PS (PostScript)*, *PDF (Portable Document)* (or equivalent) formats. Fig. 22 shows a schematic use of a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart in the *PDF* format for monitor output using an internet web browser. The **analog monitor** outputs must be compared with the **analog reference monitor** (transparent **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart on a luminous area D65 light source).

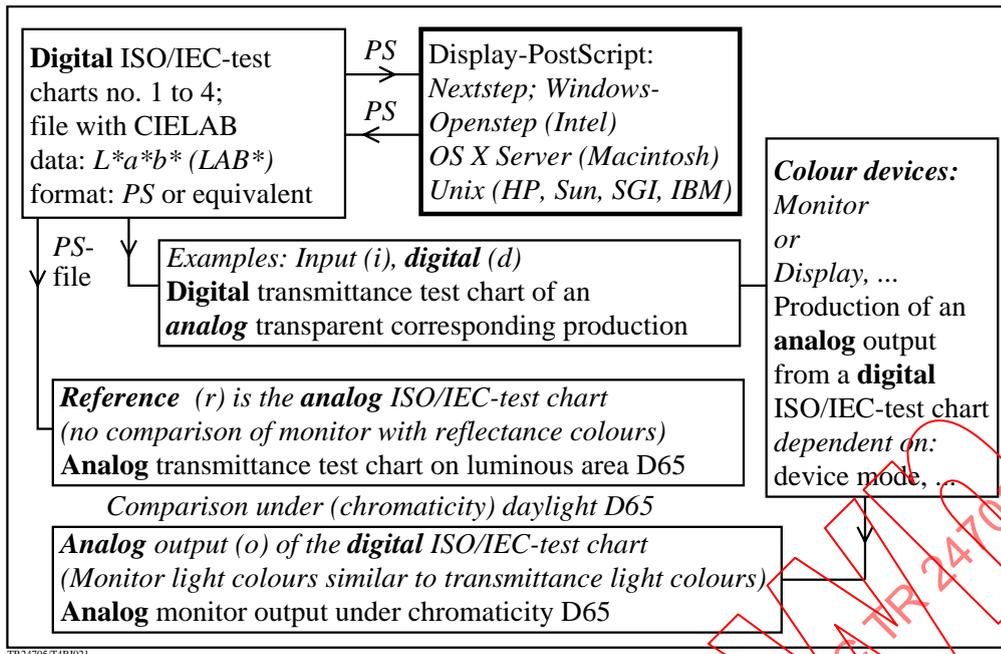


Figure 23: Creation and output for colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 23 shows the creation of an **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart as reference from a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (left) and the creation of an **analog** monitor output from a **digital** ISO/IEC-test chart (right). This **analog** monitor output must be compared with the **analog** reference (bottom).

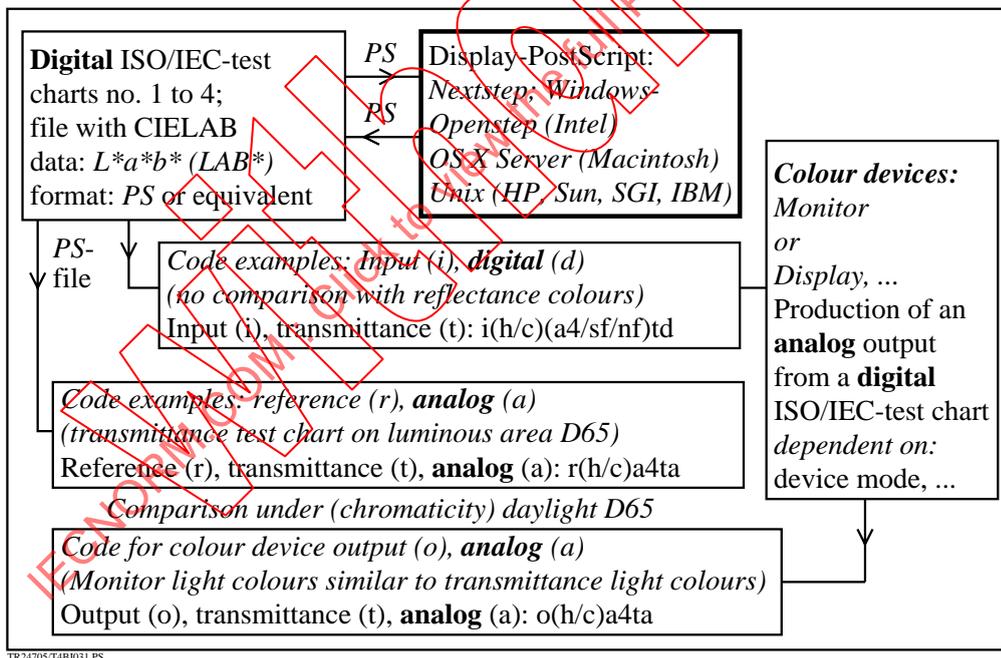


Figure 24: Codes for evaluation of image reproduction for colour devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 24 shows code examples for the input, output and reference of image reproduction of colour devices: “**digital – analog**” shown in Fig. 23. This **analog** monitor output must be compared with the corresponding **analog** reference.

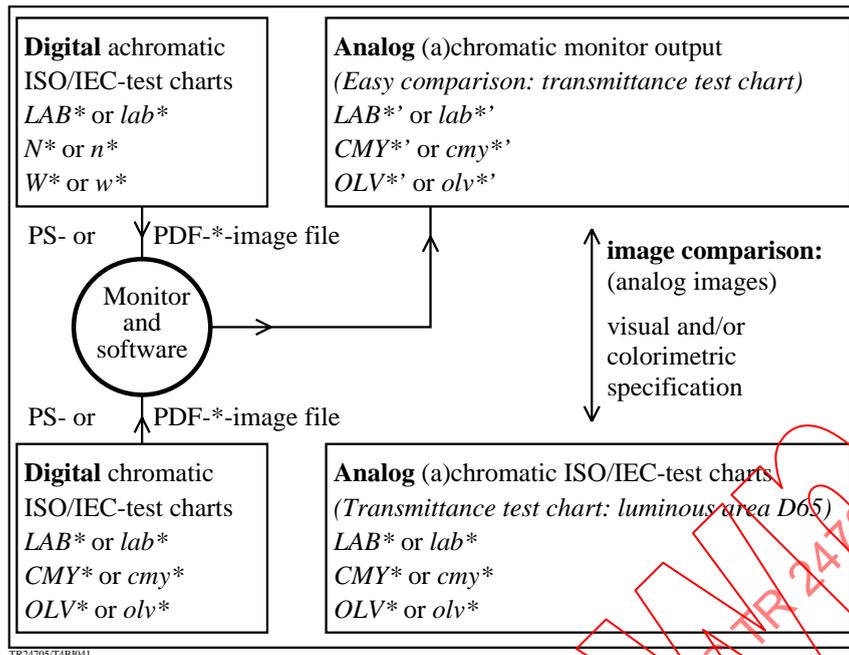


Figure 25: Specification of image reproduction for colour devices: “digital – analog”

Fig. 25 shows the specification of image reproduction for the colour devices: “digital – analog” by visual assessment and/or colorimetric measurement. The **analog monitor** output (reproduction) must be compared with the **analog** reference. For example this reference could be an **analog** original transparency of the ISO/IEC-test chart in transparent mode on a luminous area D65 light source.

13.3 Parameters for the PS-output of colour image reproduction devices: “digital – analog”

The following methods can be used to create output using the PS (or equivalent) files:

- PS-files can be reproduced directly using *Display-PostScript (min. Level 2)* on a colour monitor.

NOTE 1: The monitor output is influenced by the *Display-PostScript*-driver or the computer operating system. The monitor output is managed by the PS-software within the *Display-PostScript*-operating system (e. g. *Mac OS X Server*).

NOTE 2: Achromatic ISO/IEC-test charts can be reproduced with any operating system which uses *Display-PostScript* operating system.

13.4 Parameters for the creation and output of PDF-files

The PDF-files or equivalents can be created from PS-files using “*Adobe Acrobat Distiller*” (see Fig. 22).

NOTE: *Distiller*-Version number 3.0 or higher is required so that the device independent *CIELAB*-data of the PS-files can be included in the PDF-files. *Distiller*-preferences (e. g. halftone Yes/No), change the printer halftone output, e. g. the output of pictures A5 or C5 of ISO/IEC-test charts 1 or 3 of PDF-files compared to PS-files.

There are various methods to make output using PDF-files.

- PDF-files can be viewed on any monitor of any computer operating system with *Adobe Acrobat Reader* (see Fig. 22).
- PDF-files can be viewed on the internet or “offline” by web browsers (e. g. *Netscape Navigator*, *Microsoft Explorer*) with the installed Plug-In *Adobe Acrobat Reader* on any operating system and on any monitor.

NOTE 2: The monitor output is dependent on the software (Web browser, *Adobe Acrobat Reader*), the monitor driver and the monitor settings.

14. Visual and colorimetric test of monitor systems: “digital – analog”

The main procedures for the visual and colorimetric tests for all applications are described in Section 5.

14.1 General

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (monitors) use the Section 5.1 “General” and the following additions:
At least two out of the four **analog monitor** outputs are required. These must be produced from the **digital** ISO/IEC-test charts one after another with unchanged mode for the colour **monitor**. The colours in the ISO/IEC-test charts are defined in relative $L^*a^*b^*$ -data and also in absolute $L^*a^*b^*$ -data in part. See pictures B1 and B6 of test chart 2 as well as picture D1 and D6 of test chart 4.

The recommended operating modes of the manufacturer of the colour **monitor** should be used together with glare free room illumination and these must be specified in the test report. If deviations are necessary, these must be specified.

The visual test and the colorimetric specification of image reproduction of colour devices can be done by comparison of the **analog** colour **monitor** output with the **analog** reference (the transparent **analog** ISO/IEC-test chart on a luminous area D65 light source). Two test methods are available:

- visual testing, if necessary with optical aid such as a magnifying glass-6x.
- colorimetric measurement and specification (for interpretation see Annex G).

The testing results have to be summarized as follows:

For the visual evaluation of the picture area the forms in Annex A to Annex D must be used.

For the visual evaluation of the frame area the forms in Annex E and Annex F must be used.

The sections of these forms correspond to the different testing elements.

14.2 Visual test

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (monitors) use the Section 5.2 “Visual test”.

14.3 Colorimetric specification

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (monitors) use the Section 5.3 “Colorimetric specification”.

15. Test report of monitor systems: “digital – analog”

The test report for all applications is described in Section 6.

15.1 General

For the reproduction systems “digital – analog” (monitors) use the Section 6.1 “General” and the following additions:

The test report with the results of the test shall contain at least the following:

- statement of the colour **monitor** device model
- Specification of the ISO/IEC-code for input, output and reference (see Annex H, Table H.3)
- For a **monitor** the following parameters are necessary:
 - selected **monitor** working mode and/or specification of the selected adjustment,
 - for the specification of **monitors** the special adjustment and materials used,
 - specification of the room illumination type used,
 - specification of other environment conditions (room illuminance),
 - size of the monitor area viewed (e. g. A4 185 mm x 285 mm);
- at least two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the image area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4,
 - at least one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex A or Annex C,
 - at least one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex B or Annex D;
- two forms filled out for the visual interpretation of the frame area of test charts 1, 2, 3 and 4,
 - one form for an achromatic test chart according to Annex E,
 - one form for a chromatic test chart according to Annex F;
- the normal colour vision and normal visual acuity of the testing persons are to be stated;
- optional – a colorimetric measurement and specification according to Annex G;
- test person, place and date

Annex A: Form A for the picture area

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For this test the output (reproduction, display) and the ISO/IEC-test chart 1 (original, reference) is necessary

Test of the radial grating according to picture A1		
N-W -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	Yes/No resolution diameter: mm
W-N -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	Yes/No resolution diameter: mm
N-Z -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	Yes/No resolution diameter: mm
W-Z -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	Yes/No resolution diameter: mm
Test of 5 visually equally spaced L*-grey steps according to picture A2		
Are all the 5-steps on the upper row distinguishable?		Yes/No
If No: How many steps can be distinguished?		of the given 5 steps: Steps
Test of 16 visually equally spaced L*-grey steps according to picture A3		
Are all the 16-steps on the upper row distinguishable?		Yes/No
If No: How many steps can be distinguished?		of the given 16 steps: Steps
Test of the Landolt-rings N-W according to picture A4		
Is the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings > 50% (5 of 8 at least)?		
	background – ring	
	0 – 1	Yes/No
	7 – 8	Yes/No
	E – F	Yes/No
	2 – 0	Yes/No
	8 – 6	Yes/No
	F – D	Yes/No
Test of the line screen under 45° according to picture A5		
Can equally spaced lines be seen?		
	Visual testing: Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 to 60 lpi	Yes/No
	Test with a magnifying glass (e.g. 6x): Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 lpi:	to lpi
Test of the line screen under 90° according to picture A6		
Can equally spaced lines be seen?		
	Visual testing: Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 to 60 lpi	Yes/No
	Test with a magnifying glass (e.g. 6x): Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 lpi:	to lpi

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Form A for the visual interpretation of the ISO/IEC-test chart 1 reproduction for colour devices according to ISO/IEC TR 24705:2005(E)

Annex B: Form B for the picture area

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For this test the output (reproduction, display) and the ISO/IEC-test chart 2 (original, reference) is necessary

Test of the (flower) image according to picture B1					
Are there clear (immediately conspicuous) differences between reproduction and reference test chart? Yes/No					
Subjective remarks about the colour reproduction of the (flower) image, the CIE-test colours and the 16 grey steps:					
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Test of the resolution in the radial gratings <i>W-C</i>, <i>W-M</i>, <i>W-Y</i>, <i>W-N</i> and <i>W-Z</i> according to picture B2					
	<i>W-C</i>	<i>W-M</i>	<i>W-Y</i>	<i>W-N</i>	<i>W-Z</i>
Visual testing: Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Test with magnifying glass: Resolution diameter	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm
Test of the 14 CIE-test colours according to picture B3					
Are clear (immediately conspicuous) differences recognized between reproduction and test chart? Yes/No					
If Yes: How many colours have clear differences? of the given 14 colours: Colours					
Test of 16 visually equally spaced <i>L*</i>-grey steps according to picture B3					
Are all the 16-steps on the upper row distinguishable? Yes/No					
If No: How many steps can be distinguished of the given 16 steps: Steps					
Test of 16 visually equally spaced steps of the colour rows <i>W-C</i>, <i>W-M</i>, <i>W-Y</i> and <i>W-N</i> according to picture B4					
<i>W-C</i> White–Cyanblue:	Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No				
	If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps:				Steps
<i>W-M</i> White–Magentared:	Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No				
	If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps:				Steps
<i>W-Y</i> White–Yellow:	Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No				
	If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps:				Steps
<i>W-N</i> White–Black:	Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No				
	If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps:				Steps
Test of characters and Landolt-rings in four sizes according to picture B5					
Is the recognition frequency > 50% for letters (17 from 32 at least) and for Landolt-rings (min. 5 of 8)?					
Relative size	Letters	Rings N	Rings C	Rings M	Rings Y
10	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
8	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
6	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
4	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Test of recognition frequency of Landolt-rings <i>W-C</i>, <i>W-M</i>, <i>W-Y</i> and <i>W-N</i> according to pictures B6 and B7					
Is the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings > 50% (min. 5 of 8 at least)?					
Colour row <i>W-C</i>		Colour row <i>W-M</i>		Colour row <i>W-Y</i>	
background – ring		background – ring		background – ring	
0 – 1	Yes/No	0 – 1	Yes/No	0 – 2	Yes/No
7 – 8	Yes/No	7 – 8	Yes/No	6 – 8	Yes/No
E – F	Yes/No	E – F	Yes/No	D – F	Yes/No
2 – 0	Yes/No	2 – 0	Yes/No	4 – 0	Yes/No
8 – 6	Yes/No	8 – 6	Yes/No	9 – 5	Yes/No
F – D	Yes/No	F – D	Yes/No	F – B	Yes/No
					Yes/No

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Form B for the visual interpretation of the ISO/IEC-test chart 2 reproduction for colour devices according to ISO/IEC TR 24705:2005(E)

Annex C: Form C for the picture area

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For this test the output (reproduction, display) and the ISO/IEC-test chart 3 (original, reference) is necessary

Test of the radial grating according to picture C1			
N-W -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	resolution diameter:	Yes/No mm
W-N -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	resolution diameter:	Yes/No mm
N-Z -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	resolution diameter:	Yes/No mm
W-Z -radial grating:	Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm? Test with magnifying glass (e.g. 6x)	resolution diameter:	Yes/No mm
Test of 5 visually equally spaced L*-grey steps according to picture C2			
Are all the 5-steps on the upper row distinguishable?		Yes/No	
If No: How many steps can be distinguished?		of the given 5 steps: Steps	
Test of 16 visually equally spaced L*-grey steps according to picture C3			
Are all the 16-steps on the upper row distinguishable?		Yes/No	
If No: How many steps can be distinguished?		of the given 16 steps: Steps	
Test of the Landolt-rings N-W according to picture C4			
Is the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings > 50% (5 of 8 at least)?			
	background – ring		
	0 – 1		Yes/No
	7 – 8		Yes/No
	E – F		Yes/No
	2 – 0		Yes/No
	8 – 6		Yes/No
	F – D		Yes/No
Test of the line screen under 45° according to picture C5			
Can equally spaced lines be seen?			
	Visual testing: Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 to 60 lpi		Yes/No
	Test with a magnifying glass (e.g. 6x): Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 lpi:		to lpi
Test of the line screen under 90° according to picture C6			
Can equally spaced lines be seen?			
	Visual testing: Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 to 60 lpi		Yes/No
	Test with a magnifying glass (e.g. 6x): Equally spaced line screen can be seen from 15 lpi:		to lpi

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Form C for the visual interpretation of the ISO/IEC-test chart 3 reproduction for colour devices according to ISO/IEC TR 24705:2005(E)

Annex D: Form D for the picture area

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For this test the output (reproduction, display) and the ISO/IEC-test chart 4 (original, reference) is necessary

Test of the (flower) image according to picture D1							
Are there clear (immediately conspicuous) differences between reproduction and reference test chart? Yes/No							
Subjective remarks about the colour reproduction of the (flower) image, the CIE-test colours and the 16 grey steps:							
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.....							
Test of the resolution in the radial gratings <i>W-O</i>, <i>W-L</i>, <i>W-V</i>, <i>W-N</i> and <i>W-Z</i> according to picture D2							
	<i>W-O</i>	<i>W-L</i>	<i>W-V</i>	<i>W-N</i>	<i>W-Z</i>		
Visual testing: Is the resolution diameter < 6 mm?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No		
Test with magnifying glass: Resolution diameter	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm
Test of the 14 CIE-test colours according to picture D3							
Are clear (immediately conspicuous) differences recognized between reproduction and test chart? Yes/No							
If Yes: How many colours have clear differences? of the given 14 colours: Colours							
Test of 16 visually equally spaced <i>L*</i>-grey steps according to picture D3							
Are all the 16-steps on the upper row distinguishable? Yes/No							
If No: How many steps can be distinguished of the given 16 steps: Steps							
Test of 16 visually equally spaced steps of the colour rows <i>W-O</i>, <i>W-L</i>, <i>W-V</i> and <i>W-N</i> according to picture D4							
<i>W-O</i> White-Orangered: Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No							
If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps: Steps							
<i>W-L</i> White-Leafgreen: Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No							
If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps: Steps							
<i>W-V</i> White-Violetblue: Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No							
If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps: Steps							
<i>W-N</i> White-Black: Are all the 16-steps distinguishable? Yes/No							
If No: How many steps can be distinguished? of the given 16 steps: Steps							
Test of characters and Landolt-rings in four sizes according to picture D5							
Is the recognition frequency > 50% for letters (17 from 32 at least) and for Landolt-rings (min. 5 of 8)?							
Relative size	Letters	Rings N	Rings O	Rings L	Rings V		
10	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No		
8	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No		
6	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No		
4	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No		
Test of recognition frequency of Landolt-rings <i>W-O</i>, <i>W-L</i>, <i>W-V</i> and <i>W-N</i> according to pictures D6 and D7							
Is the recognition frequency of the Landolt-rings > 50% (min. 5 of 8 at least)?							
Colour row <i>W-O</i>		Colour row <i>W-L</i>		Colour row <i>W-V</i>		Colour row <i>W-N</i>	
background – ring		background – ring		background – ring		background – ring	
0 – 1	Yes/No	0 – 1	Yes/No	0 – 1	Yes/No	0 – 1	Yes/No
7 – 8	Yes/No	7 – 8	Yes/No	7 – 8	Yes/No	7 – 8	Yes/No
E – F	Yes/No	E – F	Yes/No	E – F	Yes/No	E – F	Yes/No
2 – 0	Yes/No	2 – 0	Yes/No	2 – 0	Yes/No	2 – 0	Yes/No
8 – 6	Yes/No	8 – 6	Yes/No	8 – 6	Yes/No	8 – 6	Yes/No
F – D	Yes/No	F – D	Yes/No	F – D	Yes/No	F – D	Yes/No

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Form D for the visual interpretation of the ISO/IEC-test chart 4 reproduction for colour devices according to ISO/IEC TR 24705:2005(E)

Annex F: Form F for the frame area

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For this test the output (reproduction, display) and the ISO/IEC-test chart 2 or 4 (original, reference) is necessary

Please fill out or mark by (**x**):

Test of chromatic test chart 2 () or test chart 4 ():

ISO-test chart: e. g. Test chart 4 for colour devices ISO/IEC(write text from the frame area of ISO/IEC-test chart)

ISO/IEC-BAM-identification: e. g. 20031201-DE96/10L/ (write code from top right side)

ISO/IEC-reference material: e. g. r(h/c)a4(r/t)(a/d) (write code from bottom right side)

File-name: e. g. L96E00NP.PDF (write code from top side)

Reproduction technique for „halftone (h)“ () or „continuous tone (c)“ ()

NOT: The usual output technique for printer and copier is (h). For photo, film, monitor and scanner it is (c).

Test of reproduced lines according to lines defining rectangles in the frame region:

NOTE: An ISO/IEC-reference test chart is in accordance with the methods of this Technical Report if there are at least some complete lines for the *inner (thicker line)* rectangle. For this purpose there are between 4 and 20 lines on an ISO/IEC-test chart.

How many lines are on the ISO/IEC-test chart? of max. 20 lines: lines are given
 How many lines of the ISO/IEC-test chart are reproduced? of given lines: lines
 Are the four (*inner thicker*) lines of the inner rectangle fully reproduced? Yes/No
 If No: How many *inner* lines are fully reproduced? of given 4 lines: lines

Test of agreement of the four 5-step grey scales according to the grey scales in the frame region:

Are there clearly seen differences between the four 5-step grey scales near the four corners? Yes/No
 If Yes: Indicate by (**x**) – only one (**x**) – which grey scale deviates most from the average of the four grey scales and mark if this is darker or lighter.

top left ()	if (x): Is this darker () or lighter ()?
top right ()	if (x): Is this darker () or lighter ()?
bottom left ()	if (x): Is this darker () or lighter ()?
bottom right ()	if (x): Is this darker () or lighter ()?

Test of the scaling factors using width and height of the inner rectangle in the frame region:

The width and height of the inner rectangle in x- and y-direction in mm of the reference test chart (Δx_r and Δy_r ; r = reference) and the reproduction (Δx_o and Δy_o ; o = output) must be measured. The scaling factors (s_x and s_y) in x- and y-direction must be calculated. For this 3 digits in mm and with rounding like the example are used (e. g. $s_x = 1,01$ and $s_y = 0,98$).

$$s_x = \Delta x_o / \Delta x_r = \dots \text{ mm} / \dots \text{ mm} = \dots \quad s_y = \Delta y_o / \Delta y_r = \dots \text{ mm} / \dots \text{ mm} = \dots$$

NOTE The width Δx_r and height Δy_r of the inner rectangle is defined in PS-file (or equivalent) as 282 mm in x-direction and 194 mm in y-direction. To get high accuracy of the two scaling factors both the original and the reproduction should be measured with the same ruler (do not use values given for the original).

Test of the shift of the colour lines compared to black according to the lines of inner rectangle of the frame:

Are there colour lines **C, M, Y, O, L** and **V** on the test chart belonging to the inner rectangles? Yes/No
 If Yes, answer the following questions:

NOTE The lines of the inner rectangle have a linewidth of 0,3 mm. If a shift of more than half of this linewidth ($\geq 0,2$ mm) is present, it can be easily seen.

Choose one of the two *horizontal* lines and mark bottom or top line by (**x**):

bottom horizontal line chosen () top horizontal line chosen ()

Is there a clearly seen ($\geq 0,2$ mm) shift of a colour line **C, M, Y, O, L** and **V** compared to the black line **N**?

C Yes/No	M Yes/No	Y Yes/No	O Yes/No	L Yes/No	V Yes/No
If Yes: 0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm

Choose one of the two *vertical* lines and mark left or right line by (**x**):

left vertical line chosen () right vertical line chosen ()

Is there a clearly seen ($\geq 0,2$ mm) shift of a colour line **C, M, Y, O, L** and **V** compared to the black line **N**?

C Yes/No	M Yes/No	Y Yes/No	O Yes/No	L Yes/No	V Yes/No
If Yes: 0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm	0, . mm

Annex G: Colorimetric specification

Guidance for the colorimetric specification of reproduction for colour reproduction devices using ISO/IEC-test chart 1, 2, 3 and 4 according to this Technical Report (nearly identical to ISO/IEC 15775).

G.1 Grey scale according to picture A2 (or C2): Regularity g^*

The visual lightness difference between adjacent grey steps in picture A2 (or C2) of test charts 1 (or 3) is the same. That is, the steps are visually "equally" spaced grey steps. This does not normally occur for reproductions. The differences of these lightness steps are specified by the measure g^* . It describes the regularity of the lightness reproduction.

Calculation G.1: Regularity g^*

For the specification of the regularity g^* , the CIELAB lightness L^* of the five grey steps 1 to 5 on the reproduction device L^*_{K1} to L^*_{K5} should be measured.

NOTE 1: The grey step 1 is the reproduction of the black colour ($N = \text{"Noir"}$), the grey step 5 is the reproduction of the white colour ($W = \text{White}$). It follows from this:

$$L^*_{K1} = L^*_{KN} \text{ and } L^*_{K5} = L^*_{KW}$$

Next the lightness differences ($\Delta L^*_{K1} \dots \Delta L^*_{K4}$) to the next lighter step can be calculated:

$$\Delta L^*_{K1} = |L^*_{K2} - L^*_{K1}| = |L^*_{K2} - L^*_{KN}| \quad (\text{eq. 1})$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K2} = |L^*_{K3} - L^*_{K2}| \quad (\text{eq. 2})$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K3} = |L^*_{K4} - L^*_{K3}| \quad (\text{eq. 3})$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K4} = |L^*_{K5} - L^*_{K4}| = |L^*_{KW} - L^*_{K4}| \quad (\text{eq. 4})$$

The regularity g^* of the lightness scale is defined by the quotient of the smallest and greatest lightness difference (ΔL^*_{\min} respectively ΔL^*_{\max}) multiplied by a factor 100:

$$g^* = 100 \Delta L^*_{\min} / \Delta L^*_{\max} \quad (\text{eq. 5})$$

NOTE 2: Ideally the regularity has the value $g^* = 100$. In the case where the two steps are identical the value is $g^* = 0$.

Example G.1: Regularity g^*

If: $L^*_{K1} = L^*_{KN} = 24$; $L^*_{K2} = 40$; $L^*_{K3} = 56$; $L^*_{K4} = 74$; $L^*_{K5} = L^*_{KW} = 90$ then:

$$\Delta L^*_{K1} = |L^*_{K2} - L^*_{K1}| = |L^*_{K2} - L^*_{KN}| = 16 = \Delta L^*_{\min}$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K2} = |L^*_{K3} - L^*_{K2}| = 16 = \Delta L^*_{\min}$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K3} = |L^*_{K4} - L^*_{K3}| = 18 = \Delta L^*_{\max}$$

$$\Delta L^*_{K4} = |L^*_{K5} - L^*_{K4}| = |L^*_{KW} - L^*_{K4}| = 16 = \Delta L^*_{\min}$$

$$g^* = 100 \Delta L^*_{\min} / \Delta L^*_{\max} = 100 \times (16 / 18) = 89$$

G.2 Grey scale according to picture A2 (or C2): Lightness gamut f^*

Differences occur in the lightness of black and white for the reproduction compared to the original. The lightness gamut f^* is specified with the lightness difference between white and black.

Calculation G.2: Lightness gamut f^*

The CIELAB-lightness L^* of black (N) and white (W) in the test chart (V) and reproduction (K) serve for calculation of the lightness gamut f^* :

For the lightness gamut f^* the following applies:

$$f^* = 100 (L^*_{KW} - L^*_{KN}) / (L^*_{VW} - L^*_{VN}) \quad (\text{eq. 6})$$

NOTE: Ideally, when white and black are reproduced with the same lightness as in the test chart, the following values apply: $L^*_{VW} = 94$ and $L^*_{VN} = 10$.

$$f^* = 100 (L^*_{KW} - L^*_{KN}) / (L^*_{VW} - L^*_{VN}) = 100 (94 - 10) / (94 - 10) = 100$$

On devices f^* is normally smaller than 100.

Example G.2: Lightness gamut f^*

If: $L^*_{K1} = L^*_{KN} = 24$; $L^*_{K5} = L^*_{KW} = 90$; $L^*_{VN} = 10$; $L^*_{VW} = 94$ then:

$$f^* = 100 (L^*_{KW} - L^*_{KN}) / (L^*_{VW} - L^*_{VN}) = 100 (90 - 24) / (94 - 10) = 79$$

G.3 Grey steps according to picture A2 (or C2): Mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m

The five equally spaced grey steps normally show various lightness differences in the reproduction and the test chart. From this a mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m for the achromatic test charts 1 (or 3) can be calculated.

Calculation G.3: Mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m

The CIELAB-lightness L^* of the five grey steps of the test chart (V) and reproduction (K) serve for the calculation of the mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m . The lightness L^*_K of the five grey steps of the reproduction must be centered on the lightness gamut of the test chart to receive the centered lightness L^*_{KZ} .

$$L^*_{KZ} = L^*_K - 0,5 [(L^*_{KN} - L^*_{VN}) - (L^*_{VW} - L^*_{KW})] \quad (\text{eq. 7})$$

The mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m is calculated from the five lightness differences on the reproduction L^*_{KZ} and the test chart L^*_V .

$$\Delta L^*_m = 0,2 (|L^*_{KZ1} - L^*_{V1}| + |L^*_{KZ2} - L^*_{V2}| + \dots + |L^*_{KZ5} - L^*_{V5}|) \quad (\text{eq. 8})$$

NOTE 1: Ideally the mean lightness difference has the value $\Delta L^*_m = 0$.

NOTE 2: A pure regular shift of the lightness of the reproduction compared to the test charts ($L^*_{VN} = 10$ or 7 , $L^*_{VW} = 94$ or 91) has no influence visually and will not change the calculated mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m .

Example G.3: Mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m

$$L^*_{V1} = L^*_{VN} = 10; \quad L^*_{V2} = 31; \quad L^*_{V3} = 52; \quad L^*_{V4} = 73; \quad L^*_{V5} = L^*_{VW} = 94$$

$$L^*_{K1} = L^*_{KN} = 24; \quad L^*_{K2} = 40; \quad L^*_{K3} = 56; \quad L^*_{K4} = 74; \quad L^*_{K5} = L^*_{KW} = 90$$

$$L^*_{KN} - L^*_{VN} = 24 - 10 = 14$$

$$L^*_{VW} - L^*_{KW} = 94 - 90 = 4$$

Centralization:

$$L^*_{KZ1} = L^*_{K1} - 0,5 [(L^*_{KN} - L^*_{VN}) - (L^*_{VW} - L^*_{KW})]$$

$$L^*_{KZ1} = 24 - 0,5 (14 - 4) = 19$$

$$L^*_{KZ2} = 40 - 0,5 (14 - 4) = 35$$

$$L^*_{KZ3} = 56 - 0,5 (14 - 4) = 51$$

$$L^*_{KZ4} = 74 - 0,5 (14 - 4) = 69$$

$$L^*_{KZ5} = 90 - 0,5 (14 - 4) = 85$$

Lightness difference and mean lightness difference:

$$\Delta L^*_1 = L^*_{KZ1} - L^*_{V1} = 19 - 10 = 9$$

$$\Delta L^*_2 = L^*_{KZ2} - L^*_{V2} = 35 - 31 = 4$$

$$\Delta L^*_3 = L^*_{KZ3} - L^*_{V3} = 51 - 51 = 0$$

$$\Delta L^*_4 = L^*_{KZ4} - L^*_{V4} = 69 - 73 = -4$$

$$\Delta L^*_5 = L^*_{KZ5} - L^*_{V5} = 85 - 94 = -9$$

$$\Delta L^*_m = 0,2 (|L^*_{KZ1} - L^*_{V1}| + |L^*_{KZ2} - L^*_{V2}| + \dots + |L^*_{KZ5} - L^*_{V5}|)$$

$$= 0,2 (9 + 4 + 0 + 4 + 9) = 5,4$$

G.4 Test colours according to picture B6 (or D6): Mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$

The 14 test colours of a reproduction normally show colour differences compared to the colours of the test chart. These differences are characterized by the mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$.

Calculation G.4: Mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$

For the calculation of the mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$ the CIELAB-lightness L^* and the red-green chromaticness a^* and yellow-blue chromaticness b^* of the 14 CIE-test colours of the test chart (V) and reproduction (K) in picture B6 (or D6) are measured.

From this the 14 special colour differences $\Delta E^*_{ab,i}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 14$) of reproduction and test chart are calculated as follows.

$$\Delta E^*_{ab,i} = [(L^*_{Ki} - L^*_{Vi})^2 + (a^*_{Ki} - a^*_{Vi})^2 + (b^*_{Ki} - b^*_{Vi})^2]^{1/2} \quad (\text{eq. 9})$$

The special colour differences $\Delta E^*_{ab,i}$ are used to define the mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$:

$$\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 0,0714 (\Delta E^*_{ab,1} + \Delta E^*_{ab,2} + \Delta E^*_{ab,3} + \dots + \Delta E^*_{ab,14}) \quad (\text{eq. 10})$$

NOTE: Ideally the mean colour difference has the value $\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 0$.

Example G.4: Mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$

The mean colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$ is calculated from the colorimetric parameters $L^*a^*b^*$ of the test chart (V) and

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reproduction (K) with 14 special colour differences $\Delta E^*_{ab,i}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 14$).

Table G.1: Colorimetric parameters of the intended and reproduced 14 CIE-test colours

CIE test colour no.	Intended CIELAB data of CIE Publ. 13.3 Original (V)			Produced CIELAB data of copied colours Copy (K)			CIELAB differences of test colours Difference (K-V)			CIELAB-test colour difference ΔE^*_{ab}
	L^*_V	a^*_V	b^*_V	L^*_K	a^*_K	b^*_K	ΔL^*_{K-V}	Δa^*_{K-V}	Δb^*_{K-V}	
1	61.45	17.53	11.74	60.71	18.5	9.5	-0.73	0.97	-2.23	2.55
2	60.69	0.08	28.92	58.84	3.24	23.57	-1.84	3.16	-5.34	6.48
3	62.02	-20.58	44.41	61.79	-21.49	44.33	-0.22	-0.9	-0.07	0.94
4	61.2	-33.16	17.07	62.06	-35.43	19.12	0.86	-2.26	2.05	3.18
5	62.4	-17.47	-8.55	61.7	-15.02	-10.62	-0.69	2.45	-2.06	3.28
6	61.51	-0.36	-28.39	60.17	2.47	-29.72	-1.33	2.84	-1.32	3.41
7	61.12	20.15	-24.55	63.11	17.05	-23.55	1.99	-3.09	1.0	3.82
8	62.77	27.42	-13.63	62.66	27.66	-13.57	-0.1	0.24	0.06	0.27
9	39.92	58.74	27.99	39.37	55.26	24.74	-0.54	-3.47	-3.24	4.79
10	81.26	-2.89	71.56	82.06	-2.84	81.13	0.8	0.05	9.57	9.6
11	52.23	-42.42	13.6	53.43	-44.12	16.49	1.2	-1.69	2.89	3.56
12	30.57	1.41	-46.47	29.63	4.84	-42.36	-0.93	3.43	4.11	5.44
13	80.23	11.37	21.04	78.28	12.32	20.43	-1.94	0.95	-0.6	2.25
14	40.75	-13.8	24.23	41.47	-12.47	24.78	0.72	1.33	0.55	1.61
<i>Average CIELAB colour difference:</i>									$\Delta E^*_{ab,m} = 3.7$	

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Table G.1 shows the $L^*a^*b^*$ -colorimetric data of the intended and reproduced 14 CIE-test colours and their CIELAB-differences.

G.5 Mean Colour reproduction Index $R^*_{ab,m}$

The reproductions of the five equally spaced grey steps (pictures A2 and C2) and the 14 test colours (picture B6 and D6) indicate different colour differences compared to the corresponding steps of the test chart. These differences are characterized by the mean colour reproduction Index $R^*_{ab,m}$. It considers the mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m (for the grey steps) as well as the mean test colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$ (for the chromatic colours).

Calculation G.5: Mean Colour reproduction Index $R^*_{ab,m}$

The mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m according to Annex G.3 and the mean test colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$ according to Annex G.4 serve for the calculation of the mean colour reproduction index.

$$R^*_{ab,m} = 100 - 4,6 (0,263 \Delta L^*_m + 0,737 \Delta E^*_{ab,m}) \tag{eq. 11}$$

NOTE: Ideally the mean colour reproduction index has the value $R^*_{ab,m} = 100$. It becomes smaller when lightness and test colour differences grow.

Example G.5: Mean Colour reproduction Index $R^*_{ab,m}$

For the mean lightness difference ΔL^*_m according to example G.3 and for the mean test colour difference $\Delta E^*_{ab,m}$ according to example G.4 the following applies:

$$\begin{aligned} R^*_{ab,m} &= 100 - 4,6 (0,263 \Delta L^*_m + 0,737 \Delta E^*_{ab,m}) \\ &= 100 - 4,6 (0,263 \times 5,4 + 0,737 \times 3,7) = 100 - (4,6 \times 4,12) = 81 \end{aligned} \tag{eq. 12}$$

NOTE: Results in G.1 to G.5 are to be rounded down to two significant digits.

Annex H: Code lists of input, output and reference

The codes for input, output and reference are listed in Table H.1 and Table H.3 for analog and digital mode. In Table H.2, Table H.4, and Table H.5 three examples are given: a colour copier, a printer and a scanner are given.

Table H.1: Code list for analog input, output and reference

test chart no. = 1 to 4	process colour image reproduction device		comparison	
	input (i)	output (o)	output (o)	reference (r)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oha4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oha4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	rha4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	ica4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oca4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oca4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	rca4ra-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	oha4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	oha4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	rha4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	ica4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	oca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	oca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)	rca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) analog (a)

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Table H.2: Input, output and reference for a copier

test chart no. = 1	process copier		comparison	
	input (i)	output (o)	output (o)	reference (r)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4ra-I01 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oha4ra-I01 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oha4ra-I01 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	rha4ra-I01 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)

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Table H.3: Code list for digital input, output and reference

test chart n = 1 to 4	process colour image reproduction device		comparison	
	input (i)	output (o)	output (o)	reference (r)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oha4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oha4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	rha4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	ica4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oca4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oca4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	rca4rd-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4td-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	oha4td-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	oha4td-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	rha4td-I0n (n = 1 to 4) halftone (h) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	ica4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	oca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	oca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)	rca4ta-I0n (n = 1 to 4) continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) transparent mode (t) digital (d)

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Table H.4: Input, output and reference for a printer

test chart no. = 2	process printer		comparison	
	input (i)	output (o)	output (o)	reference (r)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	iha4rd-I02 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oha4ra-I02 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oha4ra-I02 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	rha4ra-I02 halftone (h) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)

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Table H.5: Input, output and reference for a scanner

test chart no. = 4	process scanner		comparison	
	input (i)	output (o)	output (o)	reference (r)
ISO/IEC-code: description:	ica4rd-I04 continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) analog (a)	oca4ra-I04 continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	oca4ra-I04 continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)	rca4ra-I04 continuous tone (c) A4 size (a4) reflectance mode (r) digital (d)

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Annex I: Digital ISO/IEC-test charts of this Technical Report

There are four **achromatic** ISO/IEC-test charts defined with four different device colour space coordinates.

NOTE For any ISO/IEC test report according to Annexes A through F of this International Standard, the original ISO/IEC test charts listed+ at the end of Annex I should be used.

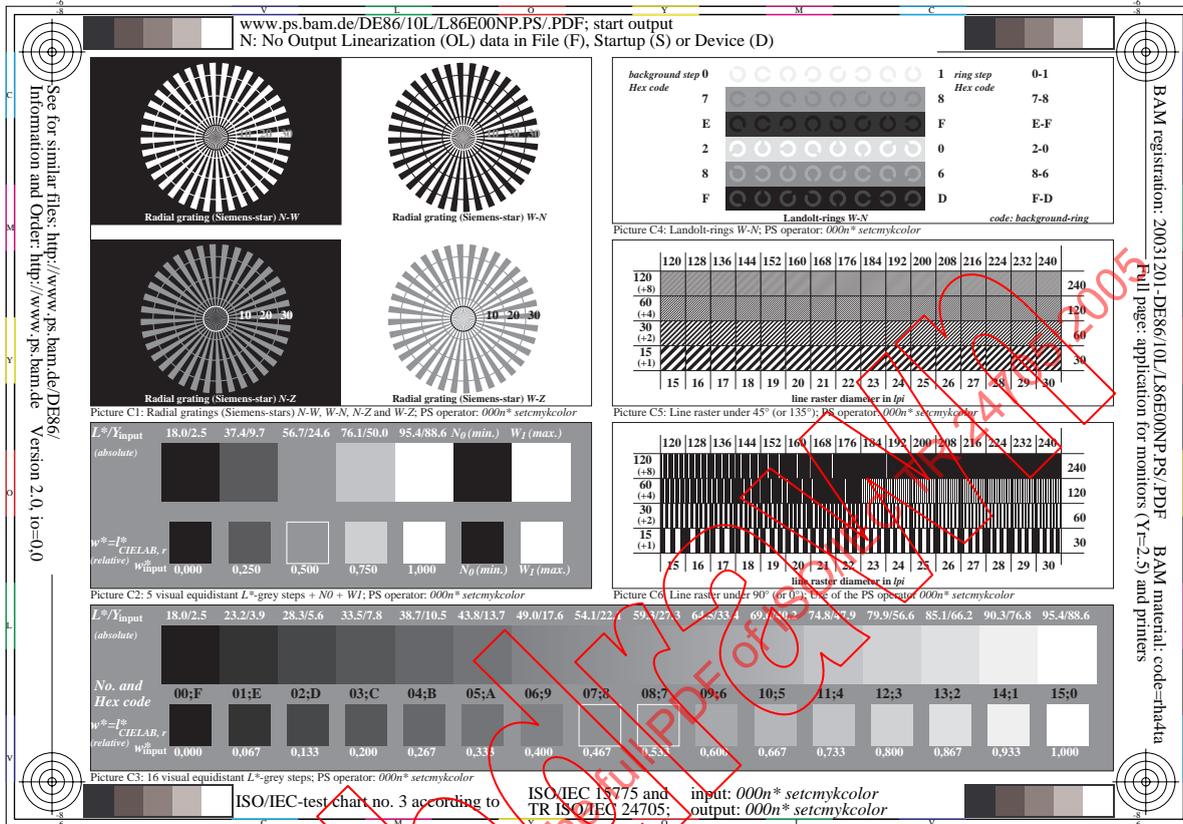


Fig. I.1: ISO/IEC-test chart no. 3 with colour device coordinates 000n* (CMYN)

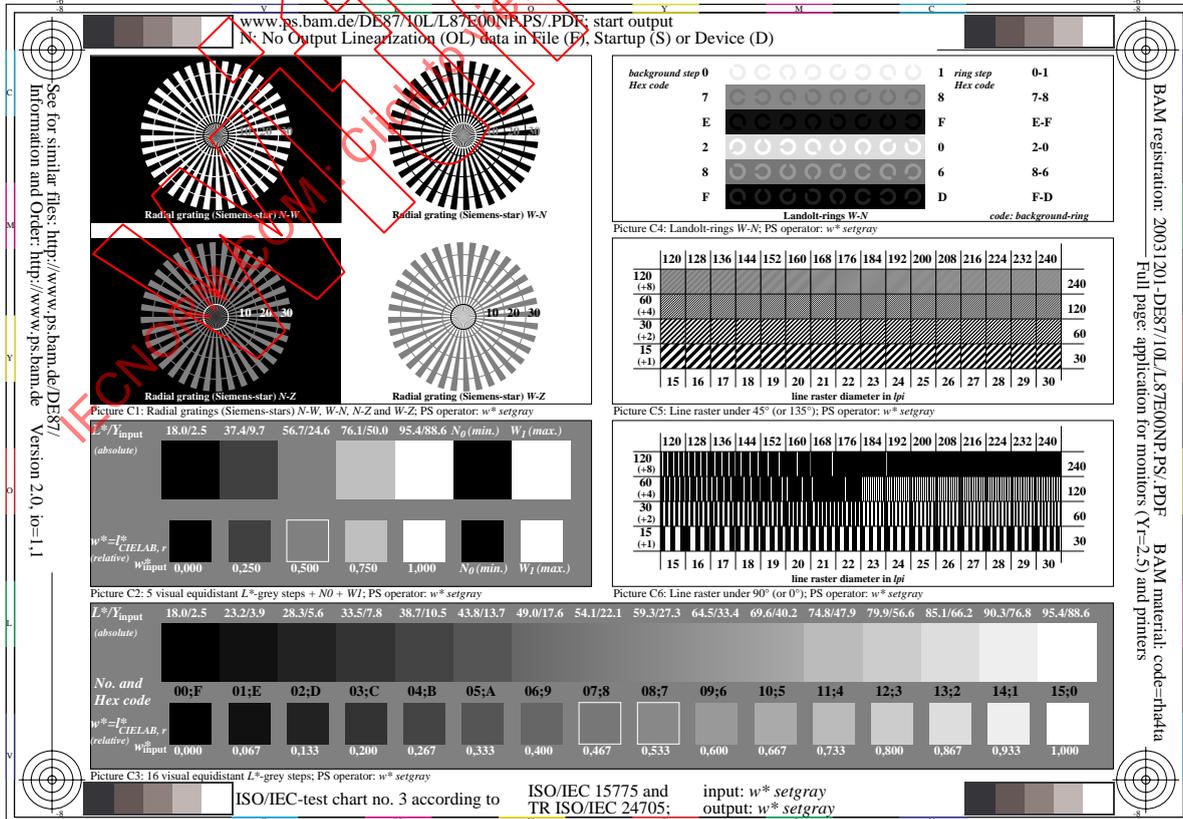


Fig. I.2: ISO/IEC-test chart no. 3 with colour device coordinates w* (GREY)

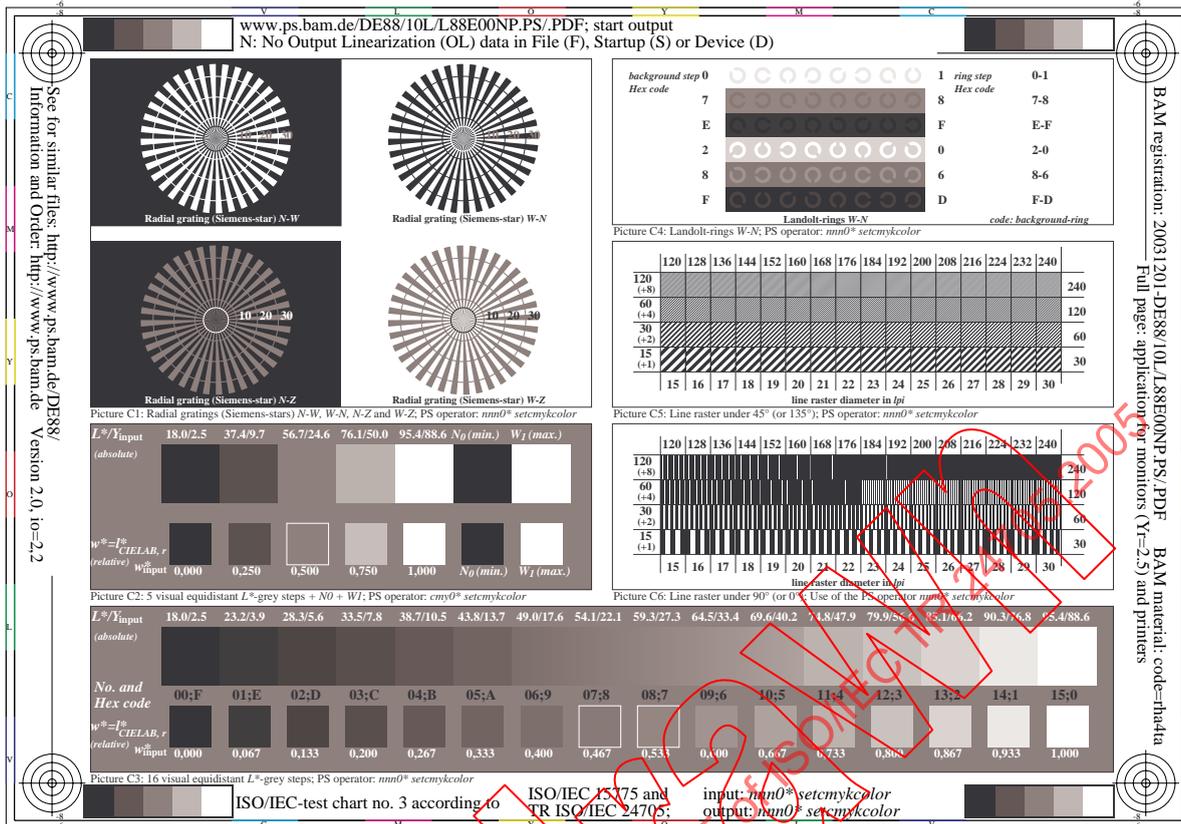


Fig. I.3: ISO/IEC-test chart no. 3 with colour device coordinates $cmY0^*$ (CMYN)

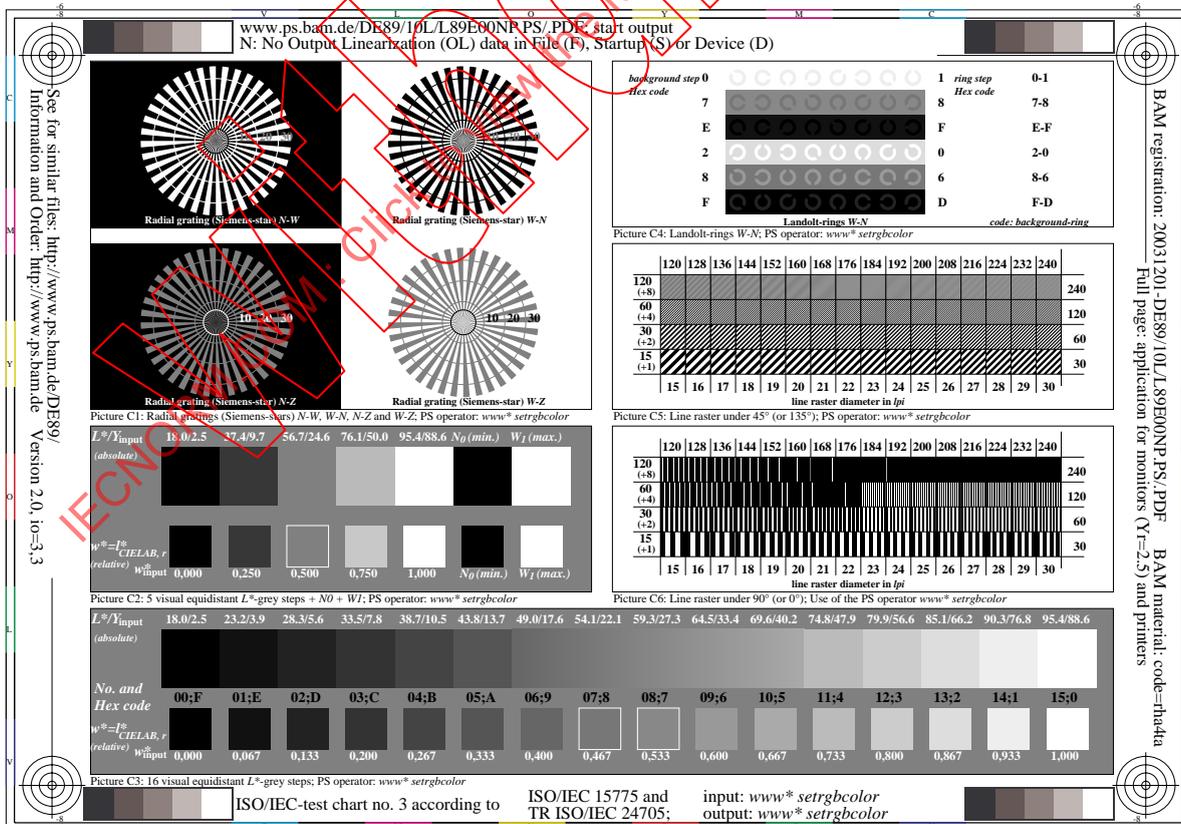


Fig. I.4: ISO/IEC-test chart no. 3 with colour device coordinates www^* (OLV)

There are four achromatic device colour coordinates for achromatic colours ($cmY0^*$, olV^* , $000n^*$ and w^*).