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manipulation and interchange —**

**Part 3:  
Reference input medium metric RGB  
colour image encoding (RIMM RGB)**

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## Foreword

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ISO/TS 22028 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Photography and graphic technology — Extended colour encodings for digital image storage, manipulation and interchange*:

- *Part 1: Architecture and requirements*
- *Part 2: Reference output medium metric RGB colour image encoding (ROMM RGB)*
- *Part 3: Reference input medium metric RGB colour image encoding (RIMM RGB)* [Technical Specification]

The following parts are under preparation:

- *Part 4: European Colour Initiative RGB colour image encoding [eciRGB (2008)]* [Technical Specification]

## Introduction

This part of ISO 22028 has been developed in order to meet the industry need for a complete, fully-documented, publicly-available definition of a wide-primary scene-referred extended colour gamut red-green-blue (RGB) colour image encoding. This encoding provides a way to represent scene-referred images that does not limit the colour gamut to those colours capable of being displayed on a CRT monitor, or require the use of negative RGB colourimetry coordinates.

A scene-referred extended colour gamut colour encoding is particularly desirable for professional photography applications. For example, colours captured by digital cameras, as well as conventional capture devices such as photographic film, can be outside those that can be represented within the colour gamut of a typical monitor or other types of output devices. Similarly, scene-referred images can have a larger luminance dynamic range than output-referred images since they have not been modified by a colour rendering process to fit the images to a specific output medium applying appropriate tone and colour reproduction aims. Retaining the unrendered scene-referred image data has the advantage that it preserves the option to make decisions about how a particular image is to be rendered. For example, a scene-referred image of a backlit scene can retain information about both the dark foreground region and the bright background region of the scene. This information can be used to make a properly exposed print of either the foreground region or the background region, or alternatively can be used to create an improved image by rendering the two regions differently.

By using a standard scene-referred extended colour gamut colour image encoding, images can be stored, interchanged and manipulated without restricting the image to a particular rendering intent or output device. The reference input medium metric RGB (RIMM RGB) colour encoding specified in this part of ISO 22028 meets the needs of these types of applications. An extended dynamic range version of this colour image encoding known as extended reference input medium metric RGB (ERIMM RGB), and a floating point version known as FP-RIMM RGB are also specified for use with high-dynamic range input sources. The scene-referred RIMM RGB colour image encoding is intended to be complementary to the output-referred ROMM RGB colour image encoding specified in ISO/TS 22028-2. Both colour encodings are based on the same "wide RGB" additive colour space to facilitate the development of image processing algorithms and simple colour rendering transformations to convert scene-referred RIMM RGB images to rendered output-referred ROMM RGB images.

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# Photography and graphic technology — Extended colour encodings for digital image storage, manipulation and interchange —

## Part 3: Reference input medium metric RGB colour image encoding (RIMM RGB)

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 22028 specifies a family of scene-referred extended colour gamut RGB colour image encodings designated as reference input medium metric RGB (RIMM RGB). Digital images encoded using RIMM RGB can be manipulated, stored, transmitted, displayed or printed by digital still picture imaging systems. Three precision levels are defined using 8-, 12- and 16-bits/channel.

An extended luminance dynamic range version of RIMM RGB is also defined, designated as extended reference input medium metric RGB (ERIMM RGB). Two precision levels of ERIMM RGB are defined using 12- and 16-bits/channel.

FP-RIMM RGB, a floating point version of RIMM RGB, defines the expression method of RIMM RGB in a floating point figure. Three precision levels of FP-RIMM RGB are defined using 16-, 32- and 64-bits/channel.

### 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 12234-2, *Electronic still-picture imaging — Removable memory — Part 2: TIFF/EP image data format*

ISO 22028-1:2004, *Photography and graphic technology — Extended colour encodings for digital image storage, manipulation and interchange — Part 1: Architecture and requirements*

ISO 11664-1, *Colorimetry — Part 1: CIE standard colorimetric observers*<sup>1)</sup>

CIE Publication 15, *Colorimetry*

IEEE 754, *IEEE Standard for Floating-Point Arithmetic*

1) Replaces ISO/CIE 10527.

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

**3.1 adapted white**  
colour stimulus that an observer who is adapted to the viewing environment would judge to be perfectly achromatic and to have a luminance factor of unity; i.e. absolute colourimetric coordinates that an observer would consider to be a perfect white diffuser

NOTE The adapted white can vary within a scene.

**3.2 additive RGB colour space**  
colourimetric colour space having three colour primaries (generally red, green and blue) such that CIE XYZ tristimulus values can be determined from the RGB colour space values by forming a weighted combination of the CIE XYZ tristimulus values for the individual colour primaries, where the weights are proportional to the radiometrically linear colour space values for the corresponding colour primaries

NOTE 1 A simple linear  $3 \times 3$  matrix transformation can be used to transform between CIE XYZ tristimulus values and the radiometrically linear colour space values for an additive RGB colour space.

NOTE 2 Additive RGB colour spaces are defined by specifying the CIE chromaticity values for a set of additive RGB primaries and a colour space white point, together with a colour component transfer function.

**3.3 adopted white**  
spectral radiance distribution as seen by an image capture or measurement device and converted to colour signals that are considered to be perfectly achromatic and to have an observer adaptive luminance factor of unity; i.e. colour signals that are considered to correspond to a perfect white diffuser

NOTE 1 The adopted white can vary within a scene, if such variation is supported by the imaging system.

NOTE 2 The adopted white is not required to be an estimate or approximation of the adapted white. For example, if a scene lit by tungsten illumination is captured using a DSC with the white balance set to D55 (daylight), the adopted white will be D55 but the adapted white will be closer to a tungsten illuminant (e.g. ISO 7589 Studio Tungsten or CIE Illuminant A).

NOTE 3 See 3.1.

**3.4 colourimetric colour space**  
colour space having an exact and simple relationship to CIE colourimetric values

NOTE Colourimetric colour spaces include those defined by CIE (e.g. CIE XYZ, CIELAB, CIELUV), as well as colour spaces that are simple transformations of those colour spaces (e.g. additive RGB colour spaces).

**3.5 colour component transfer function**  
single variable, monotonic mathematical function applied individually to one or more colour channels of a colour space

NOTE 1 Colour component transfer functions are frequently used to account for the nonlinear response of a reference device and/or to improve the visual uniformity of a colour space.

NOTE 2 Generally, colour component transfer functions will be nonlinear functions such as a power-law (i.e. "gamma") function or a logarithmic function. However, in some cases a linear colour component transfer function can be used.

**3.6 colour encoding**  
generic term for a quantized digital encoding of a colour space, encompassing both colour space encodings and colour image encodings

**3.7****colour gamut**

solid in a colour space, consisting of all those colours that are either present in a specific scene, artwork, photograph, photomechanical, or other reproduction, or capable of being created using a particular output device and/or medium

**3.8****colour image encoding**

digital encoding of the colour values for a digital image, including the specification of a colour space encoding, together with any information necessary to properly interpret the colour values such as the image state, the intended image viewing environment and the reference medium

NOTE 1 In some cases, the intended image viewing environment will be explicitly defined for the colour image encoding. In other cases, the intended image viewing environment can be specified on an image-by-image basis using metadata associated with the digital image.

NOTE 2 Some colour image encodings will indicate particular reference medium characteristics, such as a reflection print with a specified density range. In other cases, the reference medium will not be applicable, such as with a scene-referred colour image encoding, or will be specified using image metadata.

NOTE 3 Colour image encodings are not limited to pictorial digital images that originate from an original scene, but are also applicable to digital images with content such as text, line art, vector graphics and other forms of original artwork.

**3.9****colour rendering**

mapping of image data representing the colour-space coordinates of the elements of a scene to output-referred image data representing the colour space coordinates of the elements of a reproduction

NOTE Colour rendering generally consists of one or more of the following:

- compensating for differences in the input and output viewing conditions;
- tone scale and gamut mapping to map the scene colours onto the dynamic range and colour gamut of the reproduction;
- applying preference adjustments.

**3.10****colour space**

geometric representation of colours in space, usually of three dimensions

[CIE Publication 174:1987, 845-03-25]

**3.11****colour space encoding**

digital encoding of a colour space, including the specification of a digital encoding method, and a colour space value range

NOTE Multiple colour space encodings can be defined based on a single colour space where the different colour space encodings have different digital encoding methods and/or colour space value ranges. (For example, 8-bit sRGB and 10-bit e-sRGB are different colour space encodings based on a particular RGB colour space.)

**3.12****colour space white point**

colour stimulus to which colour space values are normalized

NOTE It is not necessary that the colour space white point correspond to the assumed adapted white point and/or the reference medium white point for a colour image encoding.

### 3.13

#### **image state**

attribute of a colour image encoding indicating the rendering state of the image data

NOTE The primary image states defined in this document are the scene-referred image state, the original-referred image state and the output-referred image state.

### 3.14

#### **luminance factor**

ratio of the luminance of the surface element in the given direction to that of a perfect reflecting or transmitting diffuser identically illuminated

[CIE Publication 17.4:1987, 845-04-69]

### 3.15

#### **observer adaptive luminance factor**

ratio of the luminance of a stimulus to the luminance of a stimulus that an observer adapted to the viewing environment would interpret to be a perfect white diffuser

### 3.16

#### **output-referred image state**

image state associated with image data that represents the colour space coordinates of the elements of an image that has undergone colour rendering appropriate for a specified real or virtual output device and viewing conditions

NOTE 1 When the phrase “output-referred” is used as a qualifier to an object, it implies that the object is in an output-referred image state. For example, output-referred image data are image data in an output-referred image state.

NOTE 2 Output referred image data are referred to the specified output device and viewing conditions. A single scene can be colour rendered to a variety of output-referred representations depending on the anticipated output viewing conditions, media limitations and/or artistic intents.

NOTE 3 Output-referred image data can become the starting point for a subsequent reproduction process. For example, sRGB output-referred image data are frequently considered to be the starting point for the colour re-rendering performed by a printer designed to receive sRGB image data.

### 3.17

#### **scene**

spectral radiances of a view of the natural world as measured from a specified vantage point in space and at a specified time

NOTE A scene can correspond to an actual view of the natural world or to a computer-generated virtual scene simulating such a view.

### 3.18

#### **scene-referred image state**

image state associated with image data that represents estimates of the colour space coordinates of the elements of a scene

NOTE 1 When the phrase “scene-referred” is used as a qualifier to an object, it implies that the object is in a scene-referred image state. For example, scene-referred image data are image data in a scene-referred image state.

NOTE 2 Scene-referred image data can be determined from raw DSC image data before colour rendering is performed. Generally, DSCs do not write scene-referred image data in image files, but some do so in a special mode intended for this purpose. Typically, DSCs write standard output-referred image data where colour rendering has already been performed.

NOTE 3 Scene-referred image data typically represents relative scene colourimetry estimates. Absolute scene colourimetry estimates can be calculated using a scaling factor. The scaling factor can be derived from additional information such as the image OECF, FNumber or ApertureValue, and ExposureTime or ShutterSpeedValue tags.

NOTE 4 Scene-referred image data can contain inaccuracies due to the dynamic range limitations of the capture device, noise from various sources, quantization, optical blurring and flare that are not corrected for, and colour analysis errors due to capture device metamerism. In some cases, these sources of inaccuracy can be significant.

NOTE 5 The transformation from raw DSC image data to scene-referred image data depends on the relative adopted whites selected for the scene and the colour space used to encode the image data. If the chosen scene adopted white is inappropriate, additional errors will be introduced into the scene-referred image data. These errors can be correctable if the transformation used to produce the scene-referred image data are known, and the colour encoding used for the incorrect scene-referred image data has adequate precision and dynamic range.

NOTE 6 The scene can correspond to an actual view of the natural world, or be a computer-generated virtual scene simulating such a view. It can also correspond to a modified scene determined by applying modifications to an original scene to produce some different desired scene. Any such scene modifications need to leave the image in a scene-referred image state and need to be done in the context of an expected colour rendering transform.

### 3.19

#### **tristimulus value**

amounts of the three reference colour stimuli, in a given trichromatic system, required to match the colour of the stimulus considered

[CIE Publication 17.4:1987, 845-03-22]

### 3.20

#### **veiling glare**

light, reflected from an imaging medium, that has not been modulated by the means used to produce the image

NOTE 1 Veiling glare lightens and reduces the contrast of the darker parts of an image.

NOTE 2 In CIE Publication 122, the veiling glare of a CRT display is referred to as ambient flare.

### 3.21

#### **viewing flare**

veiling glare that is observed in a viewing environment but not accounted for in radiometric measurements made using a prescribed measurement geometry

NOTE The viewing flare is expressed as a percentage of the luminance of adapted white.

### 3.22

#### **working colour space**

colour space encoding in which operations such as image edits, enhancements, or colour rendering are performed

NOTE 1 The image state in a working colour space can change as operations are performed.

NOTE 2 If operations performed in a working colour space are guided by viewing the image on a medium, that medium and the associated viewing conditions become the reference for the resulting image.

## 4 Requirements

### 4.1 General

Reference input medium metric RGB (RIMM RGB) and the ERIMM and FP-RIMM associated versions of RIMM RGB are extended colour gamut RGB colour image encodings of the colourimetry of a scene-referred image, white balanced to be relative to a specified adopted white. The image colourimetry is encoded in terms of an additive RGB colour space associated with a hypothetical additive colour device having a specified set of primaries and no cross-talk between the colour channels. The RIMM RGB colour image encoding has a maximum luminance value corresponding to 200 % of a perfect diffuse reflector (i.e. an observer adaptive luminance factor of 2,0). Extended reference input medium metric RGB (ERIMM RGB) is an extended luminance dynamic range version of RIMM RGB having a maximum observer adaptive luminance factor of about 316. The maximum luminance value of FP-RIMM RGB colour image encoding is

limited only by the floating point encoding range. In RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB and FP-RIMM RGB, the image colourimetry shall be based on flareless (or flare corrected) colourimetric measurements as described in CIE Publication No. 15 using the CIE 1931 standard colourimetric observer defined in ISO 11664-1.

Scene-referred image data may correspond to an actual view of the natural world, or a simulation of such a view. It may also correspond to a modified scene determined by applying modifications to an original scene. In order to be appropriate for encoding as RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB or FP-RIMM RGB, any scene modifications shall leave the image in a scene-referred image state.

Scene-referred image data may have an associated pre-determined colour rendering transform. When an associated pre-determined colour rendering transform is present with scene-referred image data, such an intended colour rendering transform should be included in any image preview path that is used to provide subjective feedback to a user, unless:

- The user has selected direct viewing of the scene-referred image and intends that modifications are to be previewed in the scene-referred state.
- The scene-referred image data has been converted to an appropriate working colour space for manual editing and colour rendering. In this case the user may exercise the option to apply or not apply an associated pre-determined colour rendering transform, if present, when the scene-referred image data are converted to the working colour space.

**EXAMPLES** Scene modifications could include removing haze from the captured image, or allowing a user to manually adjust the exposure/white balance. It could also include more complex operations such as using a “dodge-and-burn” algorithm to correct over-exposed regions of a backlit scene. (This can be viewed as being analogous to “re-lighting” the scene.) Scene modifications could also include applying desired changes to the scene such as simulating a “night” scene, making grass greener to make it look healthier, or making the sky bluer to make it look clearer. However, typical colour rendering transforms will include a boost in the midtone contrast and chroma of the image. Consequently, any boost in colourfulness of the scene (e.g. making the grass greener) needs to be done with the knowledge that there may be an additional chroma boost during colour rendering.

**NOTE 1** The image colourimetry of the scene-referred image can contain inaccuracies due to the dynamic range limitations of the capture device, noise from various sources, quantization, optical blurring and flare that are not corrected for, and colour analysis errors due to capture device metamerism. In some cases, these sources of inaccuracy can be significant.

Three different precision levels are defined for RIMM RGB, and shall be identified as RIMM8 RGB, RIMM12 RGB and RIMM16 RGB, for 8-, 12- and 16-bits/channel (24-, 36- and 48-bits/pixel) representations, respectively.

For extended reference input medium metric RGB (ERIMM RGB), two different precision levels are defined and shall be identified as ERIMM12 RGB and ERIMM16 RGB, for 12- and 16-bits/channel (36- and 48-bits/pixel) representations, respectively.

Floating point reference input medium metric RGB (FP-RIMM RGB) is a floating point encoded version of RIMM RGB with a linear colour component transfer function. Half-, single- or double-precision floating point numbers, as defined in IEEE 754:2008, may be used in TIFF/EP files as defined in ISO 12234-2, requiring 48-, 96- and 192-bits/pixel, respectively.

**NOTE 2** RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB or FP-RIMM RGB images are intended for use in system environments that support scene-referred images. However, they can be interchanged in environments that do not support scene-referred images if a default colour rendering transform or a full resolution standard output-referred image that is supported in the environment is associated with the scene-referred image. The TIFF/EP and JPEG 2000 file formats can use ICC profiles to support RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB or FP-RIMM RGB images in system environments designed to support output-referred images.

The colour image encoding defined in this part of ISO 22028 conforms to the requirements defined in Clause 5 of ISO 22028-1:2004.

## 4.2 Adopted white

The adopted white shall have the chromaticity values of CIE Standard Illuminant  $D_{50}$  ( $x_0 = 0,345\ 7$ ,  $y_0 = 0,358\ 5$ ).

In the absence of image file metadata that provides image-specific values, the absolute luminance level of the adopted white should be assumed to be  $15\ 000\ \text{cd/m}^2$ , the surround should be assumed to be average, and the luminance of the adapting field should be assumed to be 20 % of the luminance of the adopted white. There is no viewing flare assumed for the scene other than that already included in the scene colourimetric values.

NOTE These default values are intended to be typical of bright outdoor viewing environments.

## 4.3 Reference medium primaries and white point

The  $x$ - $y$  chromaticity values for the RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB, and FP-RIMM RGB primaries shall be as given in Table 1. All chromaticity values specified in this document shall be based on the CIE 1931 two-degree standard observer defined in ISO 11664-1. Rationale for the choice of these primaries is given in Annex A.

The colour space white point, corresponding to equal amounts of the three RGB primaries, shall have the  $x$ - $y$  chromaticity values of CIE Standard Illuminant  $D_{50}$  given as given in Table 1.

**Table 1 — CIE chromaticities for reference medium primaries and white point**

Reference medium primaries and white point	CIE chromaticities			
	$x$	$y$	$u'$ <sup>a</sup>	$v'$ <sup>a</sup>
Red	0,734 7	0,265 3	0,623 4	0,506 5
Green	0,159 6	0,840 4	0,050 0	0,592 5
Blue	0,036 6	0,000 1	0,050 0	0,000 3
White point	0,345 7	0,358 5	0,209 2	0,488 1

<sup>a</sup> The  $u'$ - $v'$  chromaticity values for the RGB primaries and colour space white point given in this table can be derived from the  $x$ - $y$  chromaticity values and are provided for information purposes.

## 4.4 RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB, FP-RIMM RGB colour image encoding

### 4.4.1 Encoding principles

RIMM RGB colour image encoding values shall be determined from the tristimulus values of a scene-referred image using a matrix transformation (see 4.4.3) followed by a colour component transfer function (see 4.4.4) and a digital encoding function for one of three different bit-depths (see 4.4.5).

ERIMM RGB colour image encoding values shall be determined in an identical manner to those for RIMM RGB, except that a different colour component transfer function (see 4.4.6) and a different digital encoding function (see 4.4.7) shall be used instead of those given in 4.4.4 and 4.4.5.

FP-RIMM RGB colour image encoding values shall be determined in an identical manner to those for RIMM RGB, except the results of applying the matrix transformation specified in 4.4.3 shall be encoded directly as floating point numbers, instead of applying the colour component transfer function and digital encoding function specified in 4.4.4 and 4.4.5.

For some applications, it can be desirable to determine original absolute scene colourimetry from encoded RIMM, ERIMM or FP-RIMM RGB colour image encoding values. In such cases, any information needed to relate the encoded image colourimetry back to the actual scene colourimetry should be associated with the image (for example, as metadata tags in the image file). Examples of useful information would include parameters such as  $F/\#$ , exposure time, and brightness value for the original capture, as well as information describing any white balancing and/or scene analysis transformations that have been applied.

Image colourimetry encoded as RIMM RGB, ERIMM RGB or FP-RIMM RGB should not contain colours outside the spectrum locus.

**4.4.2 Tristimulus value normalization**

The image tristimulus values shall be normalized such that the normalized Y tristimulus value of the adopted white is 1,0.

$$\begin{aligned} X_N &= \frac{X}{Y_{PDR}} \\ Y_N &= \frac{Y}{Y_{PDR}} \\ Z_N &= \frac{Z}{Y_{PDR}} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where

- X, Y and Z are the scene-referred image tristimulus values, after having been white balanced to produce tristimulus values relative to the RIMM RGB adopted white;
- X<sub>N</sub>, Y<sub>N</sub> and Z<sub>N</sub> are the normalized image tristimulus values;
- Y<sub>PDR</sub> is the Y tristimulus value of the scene adopted white after white balancing to the RIMM RGB adopted white chromaticity.

**4.4.3 RIMM RGB conversion matrix**

The following matrix shall be used to compute linear RIMM RGB colour space values (R<sub>RIMM</sub>, G<sub>RIMM</sub> and B<sub>RIMM</sub>) from the normalized image tristimulus values (X<sub>N</sub>, Y<sub>N</sub> and Z<sub>N</sub>):

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{RIMM} \\ G_{RIMM} \\ B_{RIMM} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1,3460 & -0,2556 & -0,0511 \\ -0,5446 & 1,5082 & 0,0205 \\ 0,0000 & 0,0000 & 1,2123 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_N \\ Y_N \\ Z_N \end{bmatrix} \tag{2}$$

This matrix can be derived from the chromaticities given in Table 1, which shall be considered to be the normative defining quantities.

NOTE This matrix will map normalized image tristimulus values with the chromaticity of D<sub>50</sub> to equal linear RIMM RGB colour space values. A neutral with a Y<sub>N</sub> value of 1,0 will map to linear RIMM RGB colour space values of 1,0. A neutral with a Y<sub>N</sub> value of 0,0 will map to linear RIMM RGB colour space values of 0,0.

**4.4.4 RIMM RGB colour component transfer function**

The functional form of the RIMM RGB colour component transfer function shall be:

$$C'_{RIMM} = \begin{cases} 0,0; & C_{RIMM} < 0,0 \\ \left(\frac{1}{V_{clip}}\right) 4,5 C_{RIMM}; & 0,0 \leq C_{RIMM} < 0,018 \\ \left(\frac{1}{V_{clip}}\right) (1,099 C_{RIMM}^{0,45} - 0,099); & 0,018 \leq C_{RIMM} < E_{clip} \\ 1,0; & C_{RIMM} \geq E_{clip} \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

where

$C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;

$C_{\text{RIMM}}$  and  $C'_{\text{RIMM}}$  are the radiometrically linear and nonlinear RIMM RGB colour space values, respectively;

$$E_{\text{clip}} = 2,0$$

and

$$V_{\text{clip}} = 1,099E_{\text{clip}}^{0,45} - 0,099 \approx 1,402 \quad (4)$$

NOTE This colour component transfer function is based on that specified in ITU-R BT.709-3.

#### 4.4.5 RIMM RGB digital encoding function

The digital encoding function for the RIMM RGB colour space encoding is given by:

$$C''_{\text{RIMM}} = \text{Round}(C'_{\text{RIMM}} \times I_{\text{max}}) \quad (5)$$

where  $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;  $C'_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the nonlinear RIMM RGB colour space value;  $C''_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the digital RIMM RGB colour space encoding;  $I_{\text{max}}$  is the maximum integer value used for the digital encoding; and the  $\text{Round}()$  function returns the nearest integer value.

For RIMM8 RGB,  $I_{\text{max}}$  shall be 255.

For RIMM12 RGB,  $I_{\text{max}}$  shall be 4095.

For RIMM16 RGB,  $I_{\text{max}}$  shall be 65535.

NOTE The digital encoding function maps a nonlinear colour space value range of 0,0 to 1,0 (corresponding to a linear colour space value range of 0,0 to 2,0) onto a digital code value range of 0 to  $I_{\text{max}}$ .

#### 4.4.6 ERIMM RGB colour component transfer function

The functional form of the ERIMM RGB colour component transfer function shall be:

$$C'_{\text{ERIMM}} = \begin{cases} 0,0; & C_{\text{RIMM}} \leq 0,0 \\ \left( \frac{0,0789626}{E_t} \right) C_{\text{RIMM}}; & 0,0 < C_{\text{RIMM}} \leq E_t \\ \left( \frac{\log_{10} C_{\text{RIMM}} + 3,0}{5,5} \right); & E_t < C_{\text{RIMM}} \leq E_{\text{clip}} \\ 1,0; & C_{\text{RIMM}} > E_{\text{clip}} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

where

$C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;

$C_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the linear RIMM RGB colour space value;

$C'_{\text{ERIMM}}$  is the nonlinear ERIMM RGB colour space value;

$E_{\text{clip}} = 10^{2,5}$  approximately 316,23 is the upper exposure limit;

and

$$E_t = e/1\,000 \approx 0,00271828 \quad (7)$$

is the breakpoint between the linear and logarithmic segments,  $e$  being the base of the natural logarithm.

**4.4.7 ERIMM RGB digital encoding function**

The digital encoding function for the ERIMM RGB colour space encoding is given by:

$$C''_{ERIMM} = Round(C'_{ERIMM} \times I_{max}) \tag{8}$$

where

- $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;
- $C'_{ERIMM}$  is the nonlinear ERIMM RGB colour space value;
- $C''_{ERIMM}$  is the digital ERIMM RGB colour space encoding;
- $I_{max}$  is the maximum integer value used for the digital encoding;
- $Round()$  is the function that returns the nearest integer value.

For ERIMM12 RGB,  $I_{max}$  shall be 4095.

For ERIMM16 RGB,  $I_{max}$  shall be 65535.

NOTE 1 The digital encoding function maps a nonlinear colour space value range of 0,0 to 1,0 (corresponding to a linear colour space value range of 0,0 to 316,23) onto a digital code value range of 0 to  $I_{max}$ .

NOTE 2 The following table shows sample neutral patch encodings for RIMM8 RGB, RIMM12 RGB and ERIMM12 RGB.

**Table 2 — Neutral patch encodings for RIMM8 RGB, RIMM12 RGB and ERIMM12 RGB**

$Y_N$	$\log_{10} Y_N$	RIMM8 RGB	RIMM12 RGB	ERIMM12 RGB
0,001	-3,00	1	13	119
0,01	-2,00	8	131	745
0,10	-1,00	53	849	1489
0,18	-0,75	74	1194	1679
1,00	0,00	182	2920	2234
2,00	0,30	255	4095	2458
8,00	0,90	N/A	N/A	2906
32,00	1,50	N/A	N/A	3354
316,23	2,50	N/A	N/A	4095

**4.4.8 FP-RIMM RGB colour component transfer function**

The functional form of the FP-RIMM RGB colour component transfer function shall be:

$$C_{FP-RIMM} = C_{RIMM}$$

where

- $C_{RIMM}$  is the linear RIMM RGB colour space value;
- $C_{FP-RIMM}$  is the FP-RIMM RGB colour space value in a floating point figure based on IEEE 754:2008.

Negative values for  $C_{FP-RIMM}$  are allowed as far as their equivalent chromaticity coordinates are within the spectral locus.

## 4.5 Inverse RIMM RGB transformation

### 4.5.1 General

The conversion of RIMM RGB colour encoding values back to scene-referred image tristimulus values is accomplished by inverting the digital encoding function given in Formula (5) and the colour component transfer function given in Formula (3), and then applying the inverse of the matrix given in Formula (2), and the inverse of the normalization function given in Formula (1). Similarly, ERIMM RGB colour encoding values are converted back to scene-referred image tristimulus values using the same procedure, except that the inverse of the digital encoding function given in Formula (8) and the colour component transfer function given in Formula (6) is used in place of the corresponding RIMM RGB functions. Likewise, FP-RIMM RGB colour encoding values are converted back to scene-referred image tristimulus values using the same procedure, except there is no need to invert either the digital encoding function or the colour component transfer function.

### 4.5.2 Inverse RIMM RGB digital encoding function

The inverse digital encoding function for the RIMM RGB colour space encoding is given by:

$$C'_{\text{RIMM}} = \frac{C''_{\text{RIMM}}}{I_{\text{max}}} \quad (9)$$

where

- $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;
- $C''_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the digital RIMM RGB colour space encoding;
- $C'_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the nonlinear RIMM RGB colour space value;
- $I_{\text{max}}$  is the maximum integer value used for the digital encoding.

The inverse digital encoding given in Formula (9) can be determined by inverting the digital encoding function specified in 4.4.5, which shall be considered to be the normative definition.

### 4.5.3 Inverse RIMM RGB colour component transfer function

The nonlinear RIMM RGB colour space values shall be converted to linear RIMM RGB colour space values using Formula (10):

$$C_{\text{RIMM}} = \begin{cases} \frac{V_{\text{clip}} C'_{\text{RIMM}}}{4,5}, & 0 \leq C'_{\text{RIMM}} < \frac{0,081}{V_{\text{clip}}} \\ \left( \frac{V_{\text{clip}} C'_{\text{RIMM}} + 0,099}{1,099} \right)^{1/0,45}, & \frac{0,081}{V_{\text{clip}}} \leq C'_{\text{RIMM}} \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where

- $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$  or  $B$ ;
- $C_{\text{RIMM}}$  and  $C'_{\text{RIMM}}$  are the linear and nonlinear RIMM RGB colour space values, respectively;
- $V_{\text{clip}}$  is given in Formula (4).

The inverse colour component transfer function given in Formula (10) can be determined by inverting the colour component transfer function specified in 4.4.4, which shall be considered to be the normative definition.

**4.5.4 Inverse ERIMM RGB digital encoding function**

The inverse digital encoding function for the ERIMM RGB colour space encoding is given by:

$$C'_{ERIMM} = \frac{C''_{ERIMM}}{I_{max}} \tag{11}$$

where

- $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$ , or  $B$ ;
- $C''_{ERIMM}$  is the digital ERIMM RGB colour space encoding;
- $C'_{ERIMM}$  is the nonlinear ERIMM RGB colour space value;
- $I_{max}$  is the maximum integer value used for the digital encoding.

The inverse digital encoding given in Formula (11) can be determined by inverting the digital encoding function specified in 4.4.7, which shall be considered to be the normative definition.

**4.5.5 Inverse ERIMM RGB colour component transfer function**

The nonlinear ERIMM RGB colour space values shall be converted to linear RIMM RGB colour space values using Formula (10):

$$C_{RIMM} = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{C'_{ERIMM} E_t}{0,0789626} \right), & 0 \leq C'_{ERIMM} \leq 0,0789626 \\ 10^{(5,5 C'_{ERIMM} - 3,0)}, & 0,0789626 < C'_{ERIMM} \leq 1 \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

where

- $C$  is either  $R$ ,  $G$  or  $B$ ;
- $C'_{ERIMM}$  is the nonlinear ERIMM RGB colour space value;
- $C_{RIMM}$  is the linear RIMM RGB colour space value;
- $E_t$  is given in Formula (7).

The inverse colour component transfer function given in Formula (12) can be determined by inverting the colour component transfer function specified in 4.4.6, which shall be considered to be the normative definition.

**4.5.6 Inverse RIMM RGB conversion matrix**

The conversion from linear RIMM RGB colour space values ( $R_{RIMM}$ ,  $G_{RIMM}$  and  $B_{RIMM}$ ) to the corresponding normalized scene-referred image tristimulus values ( $X_N$ ,  $Y_N$  and  $Z_N$ ) shall be given by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_N \\ Y_N \\ Z_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0,7977 & 0,1352 & 0,0313 \\ 0,2880 & 0,7119 & 0,0001 \\ 0,0000 & 0,0000 & 0,8249 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{RIMM} \\ G_{RIMM} \\ B_{RIMM} \end{bmatrix} \tag{13}$$

This matrix can be derived from the chromaticities given in Table 1, which shall be considered to be the normative defining quantities.

NOTE When this matrix is applied to linear RIMM RGB colour space values that are equal, normalized image tristimulus values with the chromaticity of  $D_{50}$  are obtained.

#### 4.5.7 Inverse tristimulus value normalization

The conversion from normalized image tristimulus values to the corresponding image tristimulus values shall be given by:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= X_N Y_{\text{PDR}} \\ Y &= Y_N Y_{\text{PDR}} \\ Z &= Z_N Y_{\text{PDR}} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where

- $X, Y$  and  $Z$  are the scene-referred image tristimulus values;
- $X_N, Y_N$  and  $Z_N$  are the normalized image tristimulus values;
- $Y_{\text{PDR}}$  is the  $Y$  tristimulus value of a perfect diffuse reflector.

#### 4.5.8 Inverse FP-RIMM RGB colour component transfer function

The FP-RIMM RGB colour space values shall be converted to the linear RIMM RGB colour space by:

$$C_{\text{RIMM}} = C_{\text{FP-RIMM}}$$

where

- $C_{\text{RIMM}}$  is the linear RIMM RGB colour space value;
- $C_{\text{FP-RIMM}}$  is the FP-RIMM RGB colour space value in a floating point figure based on IEEE 754:2008.

## Annex A (informative)

### Example colour rendering transform from RIMM RGB to ROMM RGB

The RIMM RGB colour encoding is intended to be an encoding of the colour of an original scene-referred image. On the other hand, the ROMM RGB colour encoding is intended to be an encoding of the colour of a colour rendered output-referred image. It is well known that the colourimetry of a pleasing colour-rendered image generally does not match the colourimetry of the corresponding scene. Therefore, transformation from RIMM RGB to ROMM RGB should include a colour rendering transform having appropriate tone/colour reproduction characteristics.

Among other things, the tone/colour reproduction process that renders the colours of a scene to the desired colours of the rendered image should compensate for differences between the scene and rendered image viewing conditions. For example, rendered images generally are viewed at luminance levels much lower than those of typical outdoor scenes. As a consequence, an increase in the overall contrast of the rendered image usually is required in order to compensate for perceived losses in reproduced luminance and chrominance. Further contrast increases in the shadow regions of the image also are needed to compensate for viewing flare associated with rendered-image viewing conditions.

In addition, psychological factors such as colour memory and colour preference should be considered in colour rendering. For example, observers generally remember colours as being of higher purity than they really were, and they typically prefer skies and grass to be more colourful than they were in the original scene. The tone/colour reproduction aims of well-designed imaging systems will account for such factors.

Finally, the tone/colour reproduction process also should account for the fact that the dynamic range of a rendered image may be substantially less than that of an original scene, especially scenes with specular highlights. It may therefore be necessary to discard and/or compress some of the highlight and shadow information of the scene to fit within the dynamic range of the rendered image.

There is no single “correct” set of colour rendering aims for mapping scene-referred RIMM RGB images to form output-referred ROMM RGB images. Optimal colour rendering aims may be application-dependent, or even image-dependent in some cases. For example, portraiture photographers may prefer lower-contrast, lower-colourfulness colour rendering aims, while advertising photographers may prefer higher-contrast, higher-colourfulness colour rendering aims. Similarly, the colour rendering aims that are optimal for “low-key” scenes may not be optimal for “high-key” scenes.

In general, it may be necessary to use three-dimensional look-up tables (LUTs), or other types of complex transformations, to implement a detailed set of colour rendering aims. However, the set of wide-RGB primaries specified for the RIMM RGB and ROMM RGB colour encodings were selected such that colour rendering aims having generally desirable characteristics can be implemented using simple channel-independent tone scale transformations. (For more information regarding this design criteria, see ANSI/I3A IT10.7666, Annex A.) Therefore, a simple colour rendering transformation for converting a RIMM RGB image to a corresponding ROMM RGB image can be accomplished by applying a one-dimensional LUT to each channel of the image. An example RIMM RGB-to-ROMM RGB tone scale LUT that will produce good results for well-exposed, normal dynamic range scenes in many consumer applications is given in Table A.1 and Figure A.1. However, depending on the application, different tone scale LUTs, or other more complex colour rendering transformations, may be appropriate to produce the desired colour rendering aims. An example tone scale LUT that implements similar colour rendering aims for ERIMM12 RGB images is given in Table A.2 and Figure A.2.

It should be noted that while the storage and/or interchange of images in a RIMM RGB colour encoding represents a mechanism for the unambiguous specification of the estimated colourimetry of a scene-referred image, it does not uniquely specify the colour appearance of a corresponding output-referred