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# Global Standards Expanded Gamut Printing & Supporting Tools

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- Expanded Gamut use and projections about future in Packaging Industry
- Standardizing 7 color / Pros and Cons
  - impact on 7 color setup
  - Multiple directions custom, common neutral appearance
  - ISO TC130 Extended Gamut Printing Direction
- Controlling TVI for Spot Colours, ISO 20654 (Schmoo)

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#### **FTA FQC Project -Objectives**

- Where is Expanded Gamut in the Technology Life Cycle?
- Standards for Expanded Gamut Printing
- FQC Work
- First stab at standards



#### **US Tradeshops**

360 Imaging Ad-Flex Art Lithocraft Color Technology CSW Cyber Graphics Dixie Graphics Dynamic Dyes EC Shaw

Flexografix Mark Trece Matthews National Printing Plate OEC Graphics Pen & Inc. Phototype R. R. Donnelley Ray Schuman Accociates Schawk Cincinnati Southern Atlanta Southern Minneapolis Southern Philadelphia Southern Toronto Trinity Graphics United Engraving Corp. West Eesex Graphics





#### **Printers**

Accredo Packaging American Packaging Belmark Bemis Terra Haute **Berry Plastics** Вгусе CCL CL&D **CP** Flexible Packaging Сгуоvас

Exopack Fastik Folmex Garlock Printing McDowel Label MPI Label Robbie Fantastic Flexibles Shields Bag Superpac Ultraflex Walle





#### Distribution



#### Weighted average amount of Expanded gamut printing

15.8%



<sup>10.6%</sup> 

#### **Technology Life Cycle**



Time



#### Conclusion

- The amount of expanded gamut printing is significant
- Expanded gamut continues to grow
- The difference between trade shops and printers is an indication that more new jobs are going expanded gamut.
- Since this report many CPC's are increasing their consumption of 7/Color printing

# – But now, there are more questions to move ahead!



## Which 7 colors / target to use?

- Simon / Ingram TAGA 1999
- FTA research 2013
- FTA FIRST aims
- Pantone Ex Gamut Guide



# Which 7 targets to use? How many patches?













#### Important to Choose a Stable Hue Angle







#### ISO Alignment to CMYK OGV

- NWI
  - Defining Standards CMYKOGV in ISO Format
  - Developing CRPC with CMYKOGV



#### Brands

- Today many brands are asking for special OGV
- Frito Lay example -- add picture
- CocaCola example utilizing their brand colours

• How does that affect printer efficiency?



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#### 7 Colour Brand King









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Different CMYK Different Orange

#### Brand Colours are the 7/c











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**Production requires 10 colour press!** 



#### Gamut Enhancement

Larger gamut







#### **Gamut Enhancement**

- Match or Enhance
- CMYK Plus
  8 SPOTS
  - Vs
- CMYKOGV



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#### ISO 10128 Pre-Media Workflow

- This Technical Specification describes three methods for the adjustment of the digital content data that is input
- to a printing system to achieve consistency in the printed results among a number of presses printing to the
- same general aim conditions. These three methods are generally identified as 1) matching of tone value
- curves, 2) use of near neutral scales, and 3) use of CMYK to CMYK multi-dimensional transforms.
- The procedures for establishing the aim condition for the necessary transfer curves, the procedures for
- determining the individual transfer curves, and a comparison of the applicability of these three methods are
- included.
- These adjustment procedures are intended for use with printing systems that use CMYK colorants. Such
- systems are not restricted to those that use traditional ink on paper printing but may involve other marking
- technologies such as those used for proofing and/or digital printing.
- Linearization
- G7 calibration
- Spot Color



#### ISO 15339 common hue angles



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#### ISO 15339

- Process aligning to CMYK ISO 15339
  - CRPC 1 Coldset News
  - CRPC 2 Improved New, Corrugated Uncoated NO OBA
  - CRPC 3 Uncoated, Uncoated Corrugated with OBA
  - CRPC 4 Walmart, SCA, Cereal Box Flexo Folding Carton
  - CRPC 5 Wide Web Flexo, Web Offset, Corrugated Coated Flexo
  - CRPC 6 Narrow Web Flexo, Sheetfed Coated, Gravure
  - CRPC 7 Wide Gamut Digital, Flexo New Plate Technology



#### ISO 15339 - (including paper color)



#### ISO 15339 – (paper-adapted)



## 7 color calibration

- Process aligning to CMYK as base Calibration
- Standard file format









Original Data (before smoothing)



Final Data (after smoothing) Fle O Day<sup>2016</sup>





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Final Data (after smoothing)







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## Aligning spot colours

- Current ISO state misalignment with Spectral Density and Murray Davies
- Better Alignment with ISO 20654 Spot Colour Characterization
- 7/colour profiles of CMYK with CxF/X for spots?











#### Schmoo Spot Colour Halftone Metric Optimization Org

• Now ISO DIS 20654 – Graphic Technology - Spot Colour Tone Value – ballot closes 21-11-2016





# ISO 20654 – Measurement and Calculation of Spot Colour Tone Value

- Visual Alignment across tones, and colours
- Spectral data should be used where possible
- ISO 17972-4 CxF X4 communication
- Formulas for both:
  - Spectral
  - Lab
- Annex Spectral Density

Graphic technology — Measurement and Calculation of Spot Colour Tone Value (SCTV) Élément introductif — Élément central — Élément complémentaire Warning This document is not an ISO International Standard. It is distributed for review and comment. It is subject to

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**ISO/WD 20654** 

ISO TC 130/SC /WG 3

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#### Blue Base

File TV	MD	dE-P	dL-P	сти	ΙΤ٧
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
10	17.0	10.2	10.6	10.5	15.8
20	30.7	19.5	19.7	19.6	29.1
30	44.0	29.5	29.7	29.6	41.2
40	54.3	38.0	38.1	38.0	50.7
50	68.8	51.8	52.3	52.2	65.1
60	76.3	60.4	61.0	60.9	73.0
70	84.7	71.6	71.6	71.6	81.7
80	93.0	84.7	84.9	85.0	91.2
90	96.6	91.6	90.2	90.7	94.4
100	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0















File TV	MD	dE-P	dL-P	сти	ΙΤΥ
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
10	10.5	8.0	8.6	8.5	9.0
20	22.4	18.1	18.3	18.0	20.0
30	35.3	28.8	30.1	29.8	35.4
40	43.4	36.3	37.5	37.1	42.0
50	51.1	44.0	44.3	44.0	49.2
60	61.8	54.6	55.3	54.8	59.1
70	73.6	67.6	67.8	67.4	72.3
80	84.8	80.8	79.9	79.7	83.3
90	93.4	91.6	90.1	90.2	91.7
100	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0











#### **Reflex Blue**

File TV	MD	dE-P	dL-P	СТУ	ΙΤ٧
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0
10	46.7	25.8	22.9	22.8	34.21
20	72.2	46.7	42.5	42.1	56.74
30	86.3	64.6	59.2	58.4	71.44
40	93.4	77.9	71.9	70.7	80.69
50	97.1	87.8	82.0	80.6	87.49
60	98.5	93.1	87.6	86.1	90.98
70	99.3	96.9	92.4	91.1	94.29
80	99.8	99.2	96.3	95.4	97.12
90	99.9	100.0	98.6	98.1	98.85
100	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.00









PMS186

File TV	MD	dE-P	dL-P	сти	ITV
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
10	35.4	22.2	20.8	18.0	26.1
20	60.6	42.4	39.8	35.2	46.9
30	76.7	58.9	55.9	50.4	62.9
40	86.9	72.2	68.7	63.0	74.1
50	93.5	83.2	79.7	74.7	83.3
60	96.7	90.0	86.6	82.7	88.7
70	98.1	93.5	90.5	87.5	91.9
80	99.2	96.7	95.2	93.4	95.9
90	99.6	98.4	97.4	96.5	97.9
100	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0









**PMS348** 

File TV	MD	dE-P	dL-P	СТУ	ΙΤΥ
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
10	31.4	20.0	18.3	18.8	27.8
20	53.2	37.3	34.5	35.4	48.5
30	68.2	51.7	48.6	49.6	63.5
40	78.7	63.8	60.8	61.9	74.7
50	86.0	73.9	71.1	72.1	82.8
60	90.5	81.2	78.3	79.4	88.0
70	94.3	87.9	85.6	86.5	92.5
80	97.0	93.1	91.9	92.3	95.9
90	98.6	96.7	96.1	96.4	98.2
100	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0







#### **New Method for Calculations**

- Using CTV style calculations Bill Burket, Hanno Hoffstead
- Alignment across multiple colors, pastel, saturated, opaque, on kraft
- Alignment with Creation softwares Adobe
- Aligns seamlessly with Offset, Digital, and Flexography
- Does not align perfectly with Gravure (gravure will require a slightly different co-efficient)



#### **Alignment with creation software**



## **Spectral Formula**

- Step 1: measure the spectral reflectance of the substrate (R<sub>pl</sub>), a patch of the solid spot ink (R<sub>sl</sub>) and a patch of an intermediate tone (R<sub>tl</sub>) and select or measure the spectral power distribution of the illuminant (S<sub>l</sub>) to be used for viewing the print.
- **Step 2:** for each of these measurements calculate V<sub>x</sub>, V<sub>y</sub> and V<sub>z</sub> as shown below:
- $X=S\lambda \times R\lambda \times x\lambda$   $Vx=fXXn \times 116-16$
- $Y=S\lambda \times R\lambda \times y\lambda$   $Vy=fYYn \times 116-16$
- $Z=S\lambda \times R\lambda \times z\lambda$   $Vz=fZZn \times 116-16$
- SCTV=Vxt-Vxp2+Vyt-Vyp2+Vzt-Vzp2Vxs-Vxp2+Vys-Vyp2+Vzs-Vzp2
- Where:
- *Vxs*, *Vys*, *Vzs* are the *Vx*, *Vy*, *Vz* values calculated for the spot ink solid,
- *Vxp*, *Vyp*, *Vzp* are the *Vx*, *Vy*, *Vz* values calculated for the substrate and
- *Vxt*, *Vyt*, *Vzt* are the *Vx*, *Vy*, *Vz* values calculated for the intermediate spot ink tone.

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## Lab Formula

- Step 1: measure the CIELab of the substrate (L<sub>p</sub>, a<sub>p</sub>, b<sub>p</sub>) a patch of the solid spot ink (L<sub>s</sub>, a<sub>s</sub>, b<sub>s</sub>) and a patch of an intermediate tone (L<sub>t</sub>, a<sub>t</sub>, b<sub>t</sub>).
- **Step 2:** for each of these measurements calculate V<sub>x</sub>, V<sub>y</sub> and V<sub>z</sub> as shown below.
- *Vx=L*+116×*a*500
- *Vy*=*L*
- *Vz*=*L*-116×*b*200
- Step 3: calculate SCTV as:
- SCTV=Vxt-Vxp2+Vyt-Vyp2+Vzt-Vzp2Vxs-Vxp2+Vys-Vyp2+Vzs-Vzp2
- Where
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- *Vxp*, *Vyp*, *Vzp* are the *Vx*, *Vy*, *Vz* values calculated for the substrate and
- *Vxt*, *Vyt*, *Vzt* are the *Vx*, *Vy*, *Vz* values calculated for the intermediate spot ink tone.



## **Testing in Progress**

- Second round of comments completed at ISO level
- Round 3 for comments ready for submission
- FTA is Producing test
- Clemson Testing
- Taga Italia
- NWI/CD Ballot to go out after discussion at TC130 Korea in November
- This will require a 3 month ballot so far no objections



## Aligning and communicating spot colours

Current ISO state - misalignment

- Spectral Density and Murray Davies
- Better Alignment with ISO 20654 Spot Colour Characterization

Workflows

• 4/colour profiles of CMYK, with CxFX for spots?

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• 7/colour profiles with PDF/X5n

# FTA FQC Testing – Using CxF/X for ICC Prolfiles





#### ICC Max Characterization Created

- Image show ICC Profile from IT8 chart
- Dots show Characteriztion data from CxF swatches





#### Summary

- 7/colour printing is here to stay
- Datasets are needed for Design and Workflow
- Spectral Blending seems to better align worklflow!
- Testing with ICC Max

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