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# Color difference of all black components





## Overview

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What makes black a color?

A lack of light is what makes anything black: think about a “black hole” that swallows up everything, including light, that comes near it. Seeing black indicates that there’s no pigment. You might think of black as a color, but it doesn’t belong on the color spectrum. Each of the visible colors corresponds to a distinct range of light wavelengths.

What is the difference between black and white?

White sits at the other end, representing full light intensity and a mix of all wavelengths. So in terms of the color spectrum, black and white sit at opposite ends, with all other colors in between. Black represents zero light intensity and white represents full light intensity. Another way to represent color is using the CMYK color model.

Is black a color mix?

So in terms of pigment chemistry, black is not a color mix per se, but rather the absence of light reflection. However, to create black pigment for paints and inks, all colors are often mixed together until a dark black is achieved. In physics and optics, black is the absence of light or the complete absorption of visible light.

Is black a color?

Black surfaces absorb all wavelengths of visible light. White surfaces reflect all wavelengths of visible light. Colors between black and white reflect only some wavelengths while absorbing others. So in terms of physics, black is not considered a color, as no light is reflected. But this definition depends on how we define “color.”



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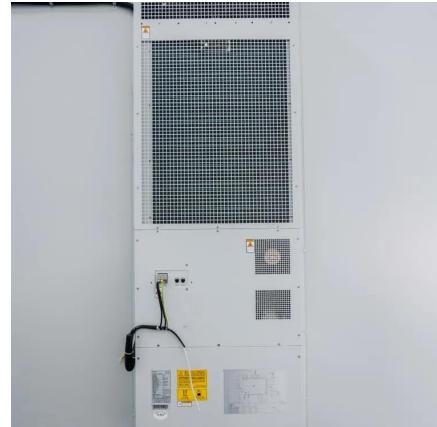


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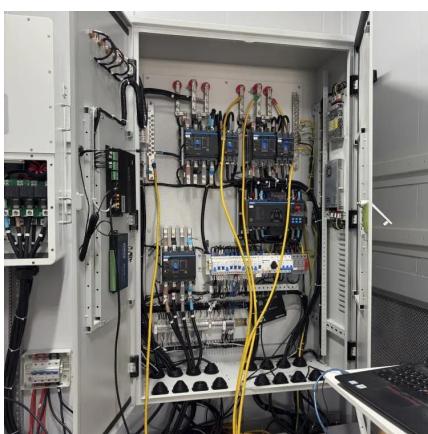
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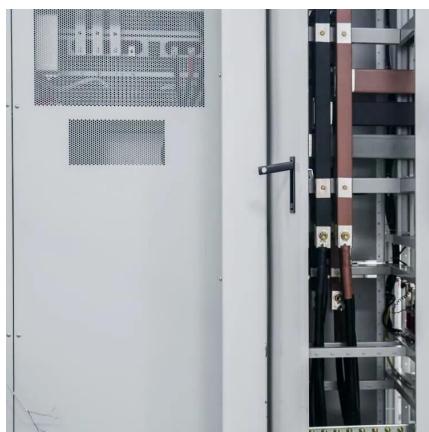


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The difference between MY and Mc defines the hue of a black color, known as the undertone (dM). (Fig. 1) Positive dM values indicate a bluish shade, while negative values suggest a ...



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