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OpenColorIO (OCIO) is a complete color management solution geared towards motion picture production with an emphasis on visual effects and computer animation. OCIO provides a straightforward and consistent user experience across all supporting applications while allowing for sophisticated back-end configuration options suitable for high-end production usage. OCIO is compatible with the Academy Color Encoding Specification (ACES) and is LUT-format agnostic, supporting many popular formats.

OpenColorIO is released as version 1.0 and has been in development since 2003. OCIO represents the culmination of years of production experience earned on such films as SpiderMan 2 (2004), Surf's Up (2007), Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (2009), Alice in Wonderland (2010), and many more. OpenColorIO is natively supported in commercial applications like Katana, Mari, Nuke, Silhouette FX, and others.



## MAILING LISTS

There are two mailing lists associated with OpenColorIO:

**`ocio-user@lists.aswf.io`** For end users (artists, often) interested in OCIO profile design, facility color management, and workflow.

**`ocio-dev@lists.aswf.io`** For developers interested OCIO APIs, code integration, compilation, etc.



## QUICK START

Most users will likely want to use the OpenColorIO that comes precompiled with their applications. See the *Compatible Software* for further details on each application.

Note that OCIO configurations are required to do any ‘real’ work, and are available separately on the *Downloads* section of this site. Example images are also available. For assistance customizing .ocio configurations, contact [ocio-user](mailto:ocio-user).

- Step 1: set the OCIO environment-variable to `/path/to/your/profile.ocio`
- Step 2: Launch supported application.

If you are on a platform that is not envvar friendly, most applications also provide a menu option to select a different OCIO configuration after launch.

Please be sure to select a profile that matches your color workflow (VFX work typically requires a different profile than animated features). If you need assistance picking a profile, email [ocio-user](mailto:ocio-user).



## DOWNLOADING AND BUILDING THE CODE

Source code is available on Github at <http://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO>

Download a `.zip` or `.tar.gz` of the current state of the repository.

Please see the *Developer Guide* for more info, and contact `ocio-dev` with any questions.

### 3.1 Introduction

OpenColorIO (OCIO) is a complete color management solution geared towards motion picture production with an emphasis on visual effects and computer animation. As such, OCIO helps enforce a color management methodology that is required for the high fidelity color imaging in modern computer graphics. This section introduces those concepts and general workflow practices. Additional information can be found in Jeremy Selan's Cinematic Color [document](#).

While OCIO is a color management library, it's only knowledge of color science comes from it's execution of the transforms defined in the OCIO configuration file. These transforms are either defined by the end user in a custom OCIO config or inherited from the publicly available configs.

By specifying your desired `config.ocio` Config file in the local environment all OCIO compatible applications and software libraries will be able to see your defined color transform "universe", and direct the transformation of image data from one defined `OCIO.ColorSpace` to another, in addition to the other transforms documented elsewhere.

#### 3.1.1 Sony Pictures Imageworks Color Pipeline

This document describes a high-level overview on how to emulate the current color management practice at Sony Imageworks. It applies equally to all profiles used at Imageworks, including both the VFX and Animation profiles. It's by no means a requirement to follow this workflow at your own facility, this is merely a guideline on how we choose to work.

##### General Pipeline Observations

- All images, on disk, contain colorspace information as a substring within the filename. This is obeyed by all applications that load image, write images, or view images. File extensions and metadata are ignored with regards to color processing.

Example:

```
colorimage_lnf.exr : lnf
dataimage_ncf.exr : ncf
plate_lg10.dpx : lg10
texture_dt8.tif : dt8
```

**Note:** File format extension does **NOT** imply a color space. Not all .dpx files are lg10. Not all .tif images are dt8.

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- The common file formats we use are exr, tif, dpx.
- render outputs: exr
- render inputs (mipmapped-textures): exr, tif (txtif)
- photographic plates (scans): dpx
- composite outputs: dpx, exr
- on-set reference: (camera raw) NEF, CR2, etc.
- painted textures: psd, tif
- output proxies: jpg
- All pipelines that need to be colorspace aware rely on `Config.parseColorSpaceFromString`.
- Color configurations are show specific. The `$OCIO` environment variable is set as part of a ‘setshot’ process, before other applications are launched. Artists are not allowed to work across different shows without using a fresh shell + setshot.
- While the list of colorspace can be show specific, care is taken to maintain similar naming to the greatest extent feasible. This reduces artist confusion. Even if two color spaces are not identical across shows, if they serve a similar purpose they are named the same.
- Example: We label 10-bit scanned film negatives as lg10. Even if two different shows use different acquisition film stocks, and rely on different linearization curves, they are both labeled lg10.
- There is no explicit guarantee that image assets copied across shows will be transferable in a color-correct manner. For example, in the above film scan example, one would not expect that the linearized versions of scans processed on different shows to match. In practice, this is not a problematic issue as the colorspace which are convenient to copy (such as texture assets) happen to be similarly defined across show profiles.

## Rendering

- Rendering and shading occurs in a scene-linear floating point space, typically named “ln”. Half-float (16-bit) images are labeled lnh, full float images (32-bit) are labeled lnf.
- All image inputs should be converted to ln prior to render-time. Typically, this is done when textures are published. (See below)
- Renderer outputs are always floating-point. Color outputs are typically stored as lnh (16-bit half float).
- Data outputs (normals, depth data, etc) are stored as ncf (“not color” data, 32-bit full float). Lossy compression is never utilized.
- Render outputs are always viewed with an OCIO compatible image viewer. Thus, for typical color imagery the lnf display transform will be applied. In Nuke, this can be emulated using the `OCIODisplay` node. A standalone image viewer, `ociodisplay`, is also included with OpenColorIO `src/example`.

## Texture Painting / Matte Painting

- Textures are painted either in a non-OCIO color-managed environment (Photoshop, etc), or a color managed one like Mari.

- At texture publish time, before mipmaps are generated, all color processing is applied. Internally at SPI we use OpenImageIO's maketx that also links to OpenColorIO. This code is available on the public OIIO repository. Color processing (linearization) is applied before mipmap generation in order to assure energy preservation in the render. If the opposite processing order were used, (mipmap in the original space, color convert in the shader), the apparent intensity of texture values would change as the object approached or receded from the camera.
- The original texture filenames contain the colorspace information as a substring, to signify processing intent.
- Textures that contain data (bump maps, opacity maps, blend maps, etc) are labeled with the nc colorspace according to their bitdepth.
- Example: an 8-bit opacity map -> skin\_opacity\_nc8.tif
- Painted textures that are intended to modulate diffuse color components are labelled dt (standing for "diffuse texture"). The dt8 colorspace is designed such that, when linearized, values will not extend above 1.0. At texture publishing time these are converted to lnh mipmapped tiffs/exr. Note that as linear textures have greater allocation requirements, a bit depth promotion is required in this case. I.e., even if the original texture as painted was only 8-bits, the mipmapped texture will be stored as a 16-bit float image.
- Painted environment maps, which may be emissive as labeled vd (standing for 'video'). These values, when linearized, have the potential to generate specular information well above 1.0. Note that in the current vd linearization curves, the top code values may be very "sensitive". I.e., very small changes in the initial code value (such as 254->255) may actually result in very large differences in the estimated scene-linear intensity. All environment maps are store as lnh mipmapped tiffs/exr. The same bit-depth promotion as in the dt8 case is required here.

## Compositing

- The majority of compositing operations happen in scene-linear, lnf, colorspace.
- All image inputs are linearized to lnf as they are loaded. Customized input nodes make this processing convenient. Rendered elements, which are stored in linear already, do not require processing. Photographic plates will typically be linearized according to their source type, (lg10 for film scans, gn10 for genesis sources, etc).
- All output images are de-linearized from lnf when they are written. A customized output node makes this convenient.
- On occasion log data is required for certain processing operations. (Plate resizing, pulling keys, de grain, etc). For each show, a colorspace is specified as appropriate for this operation. The artist does not have to keep track of which colorspace is appropriate to use; the OCIOLogConvert node is always intended for this purpose. (Within the OCIO profile, this is specified using the 'compositing\_log' role).

### 3.1.2 Further Information

Specific information with regard to the public OCIO configs can be found in the [Configurations](#) section.

## 3.2 Configurations

This section gives an overview of what existing (public) OCIO configurations exist, and how to create new ones.

OCIO Configurations can be downloaded here: [.zip .tar.gz \(OCIO v1.0+\)](#)

If you are interested in crafting custom color configurations, and need assistance, please contact: [ocio-user](#).

## 3.2.1 Public Configs

### spi-vfx

This is a real OCIO color profile in use at Sony Pictures Imageworks, and is suitable for use on visual effects (VFX) work. The concepts utilized in this profile have been successfully validated on a variety of Imageworks visual effects films, including Spider-Man, Alice In Wonderland, G-Force, and Green Lantern.

**Conversion from film to/from scene-linear is a simple, trivially invertible 1D transform. The display transforms are complex, 3D film-print emulations.**

In production, this profile is typically used before final color details are worked out. Although it sounds temporary, most of a film can be made off this configuration. Final color decisions for a film are often made long after significant work has been done. In some cases shots from a film can be finalized before the color details, such as which Digital Intermediate (DI) house will be used, are decided. Entire projects have been completed using this profile without modification.

This profile embodies two philosophies of color management familiar to those in production: “*Keep It Simple*”, and, “*Don’t Be Evil*”.

The following steps outline a simplified visual effects color workflow:

- Load a plate (log film scan, digital motion picture camera, etc)
- Convert device color space to scene-linear
- Render and composite in scene-linear
- Convert from scene-linear to device color space
- Output final plate

It is absolutely critical to guarantee that process - end to end - is colorimetrically a no-op. Under no circumstances are any unintended modifications to the original image allowed.

Thus, this profile uses very simple (1D) conversions for all input and output color space conversions. All of the complexity (the 3D LUT film emulation lifting) is handled at display time, and is never baked (or unbaked) into the imagery. For visualization, this profile includes a generic Kodak Vision print emulation suitable for display on a reference sRGB monitor or a P3 Digital Cinema projector.

Caveat 1: Of course, we realize that there are many other color workflows that may be equally good (or better) than the one presented here. Please, if you have a successful alternative workflows share the details!

Caveat 2: We are not distributing the code that generates the luts from their underlying curve representations. While we hope to publish this eventually, at the current time this process relies on internal tools and we don’t have the spare development cycles to port this code to something suitable for distribution.

### Invertibility

Elements often need to be transferred back and forth many times between different colorspace. Since it’s impossible to know in advance how many times an image may be transferred between colorspace it is essential for the majority of transformations to be lossless invertible transformations. By the end of the color pipeline even a 1 value difference in a 10bit transformation can become a significant issue. Invertible transformations can be taken from the source space, to linear and back with no change to the data. A higher value is placed on transformations being predictable and invertible than absolutely correct. All 1-d luts allow for forward and inverse transformations with no loss. Unless specified all channels are equally affected. The luts are 1 bit wider than stated, so lg8 actually defines 9 bits worth of entries. This allows the rounding in the inverse direction to be applied unambiguously (lossless).

Non-invertible transforms contain 3d lookups. 3D transformations can not be inverted due to gamut mapping issues. Non-invertible transformations are only used for final output media (such as QuickTimes) and for display purposes.

## Film Emulation Inversion

Inverse film emulation luts aren't supported in a default configuration. Imageworks does not use a film emulation inversion lut for texture or matte paintings. In its place a film emulation preview lut, commonly as an ICC profile, is used. Although most film emulation luts are similar they do differ significantly. The DI facility creating final color is often chosen long after significant vfx work has been begun. The film luts the film will be finished on are not made until weeks, or days, before DI begins. So the 'true' lut that will be used for the finishing is not available until very late in the production, from a VFX perspective. There are many color gamut mapping issues that arise when inverting film to video lut. Using a film inversion lut at this stage would bake in a look that isn't quite right and is very difficult to fully un-bake. It is safer to work with images in a non-constrained way and apply a visualization that can be toggled on and off.

## Scene Linear **Inf, Inh, In16**

### Middle Gray: 0.18

The linear space is a photometrically linear space, representing high-dynamic range (HDR) pixel values in our virtual world. Middle gray is defined to be at 0.18. While the dynamic range of Inf is technically unbounded, pixel values for natural, well exposed imagery will often fall between +/- 8 stops from gray.

The scene linear colorspace is used for compositing, rendering, and is also the profile connection space. All colorspace conversions are made in relation how they transform into or out of scene linear.

The colors defined in linear are implicitly bounded by film negative sensitivities. The space is based off an OCN film scan where values refer to linear light at the focal plane. 0.18 in linear will correspond to a 18 percent grey card captured on filmplane under the same lighting conditions where diffuse white is 1.0. Values above 1.0 in any channel would indicate a 'specular', or light emitting objects.

Inf is a full precision (32-bit) floating point colorspace. It is used for rendering and compositing.

Inh is a half precision (16-bit) floating point colorspace. It is used for rendering and compositing.

In16 is a 16 bit integer representation of the [0,1] range of Inf. This is no longer used but is kept if a legacy image needs to be loaded, or if linear images need to be loaded into an application that does not support float. Note that storing a float Inf image using an integer In16 representation is destructive, and throws away data.

## Film Log **lg8, lg10, lg16, lgf**

### Middle Gray: 445 (of 1023)

The log to linear curve is based on an analysis of several commonly used Kodak acquisition stocks. It was found that Kodak 5218 is right about in the middle in terms of tone response given the input imagery we receive. The curve incorporates some toe compensation. The curve gamma closely matches 5218. The transformation does not represent any single stock. The Imageworks log conversions are not channel specific, all color channels are transformed uniformly. Compositing productivity gains have been found using the toe compensations when compared to using a straight line log to linear curve. Shoulder compensation - while technically correct - detracted from compositing quality, often creating situations where grain film noise would result in larger than desired changes in linear light.

lg8, lg10, and lg16 are similar. They are all the same log to linear transformation but are explicitly defined to be lossless at the specified bit depths. The luts use nearest neighbor interpolation to search for an exact match. Significant performance gains were found when using the proper bitdepth lut. While using the lg16 conversion on an 8 bit image will yield the same result, it is measurably slower than using the 8-bit conversion (assuming 8-bits is all that is needed). This performance gap remains even on current graphics hardware.

lg spaces specify 21 of stops of dynamic range. 0 in lg10 space is 15 stops below diffuse white. 445 correspond to 18% grey and is ~2.47 below diffuse white. 1023 in lg10 space is 6 stops above diffuse white.

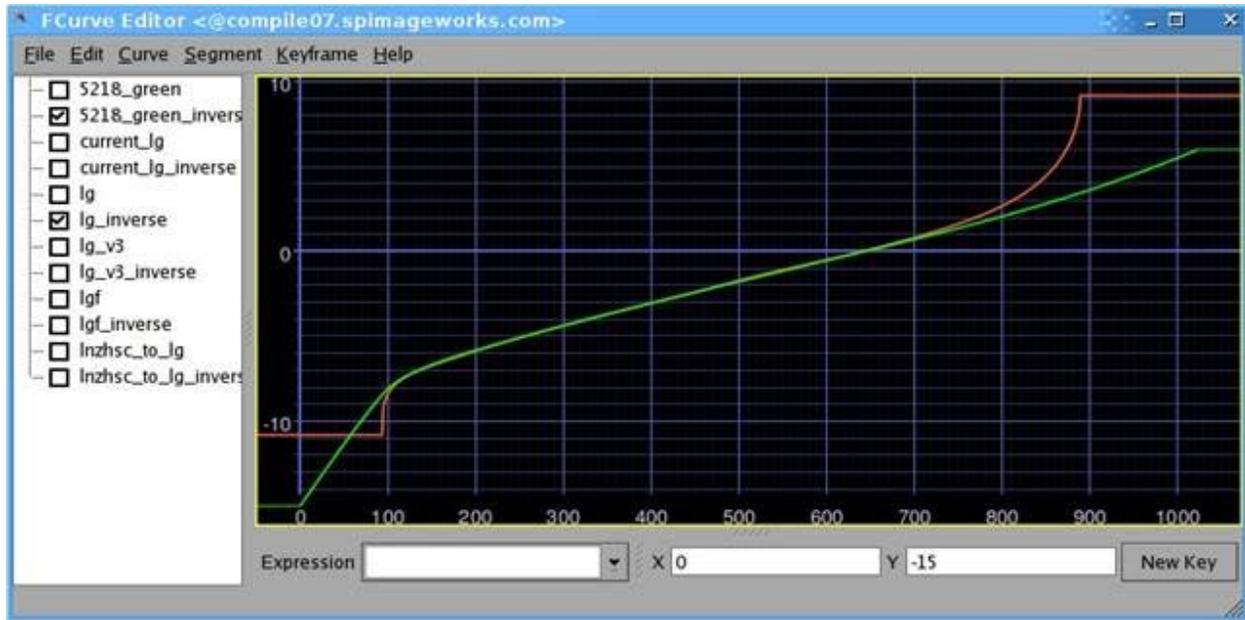


Figure 3.1: lg10 to linear light. The green curve represents the lg to ln conversion. The red curve show the green channel of a Kodak 5218 exposure test. The x-axis is in 10bit input lg the output is in lg base2 linear light units. 0.0 Represents diffuse white.

lgf is identical on the range from 0-1 to the standard lg luts. It specifies an additional range below 0.0 and above 1.0. In 10 bit the spaces is defined from -512 to 2048. Lg color timing number from either on set color correction devices or from a DI house to be applied in a way that can be fully inverted out without loss. Lgf specifies 18 stops above the lg10 max and 36 stops below the log10 min with a total dynamic range of 85 stops. The space is designed to be bigger than needed.

### Panalog (Genesis) **gn8, gn10, gn16, gnf**

GN is the Imageworks Panalog space. It follows the Panalog specification and additionally extrapolates so all of the values from 0 to 1023 are defined. This was necessary due to compression artifacts that could create values below the Panalog specifications. gn8,10,16 are defined with diffuse white at 681, Max white is approximately 2.6 stops above diffuse white and black is approximately 12.6 stops below diffuse white. The dynamic range is less than that of lg.

gnf is similar in purpose and function to lgf. It is identical on the range from 0-1 to the regular gn and specifies an additional range below 0.0 and above 1.0. In 10 bit numbers gnf is defined from -255 to 3125. This allows for color timing number from either on set color correction devices or from a DI house to be applied in a way that can be fully inverted. Additionally it allows for lg10 based image data to be fully represented without clipping.

gnf specifies 14.5 stops above the gn10 max and 18 of stops below the gn10 min. The entire range of gnf is 47 stops.

### Reference Art **vd8, vd16, vdf, hd10**

The vd spaces are mappings of linear image data into display space. The main part of the transformation is defined as a single curve that is conceptually two parts. The first is a ln to lg conversion. The second is lg to sRGB conversion. This is based off the neutral channel response of the sRGB film emulation lut used in the profile. The dynamic range of the vd colorspace is limited. It is undesirable to map the vd max to the linear max. Such a conversion results in linear values are almost never what an artist intended. The rule of thumb is that, at the high end, single value deltas in an 8 bit image should never create over a half stop of additional linear light. The vd conversion curve is limited to prevent this case.

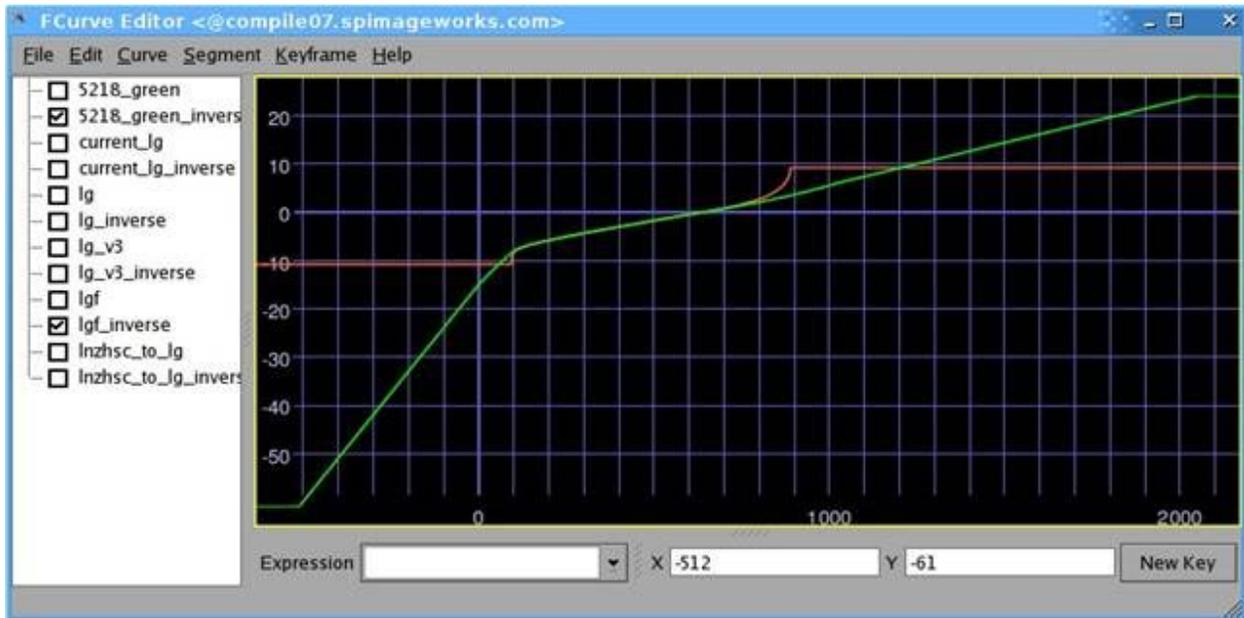


Figure 3.2: lgf to linear light. The green curve represents the lg to ln conversion. The red curve show the green channel of a Kodak 5218 exposure test. The x axis is in 10bit input lg the output is in log(base2) linear light units. 0 Represents diffuse white

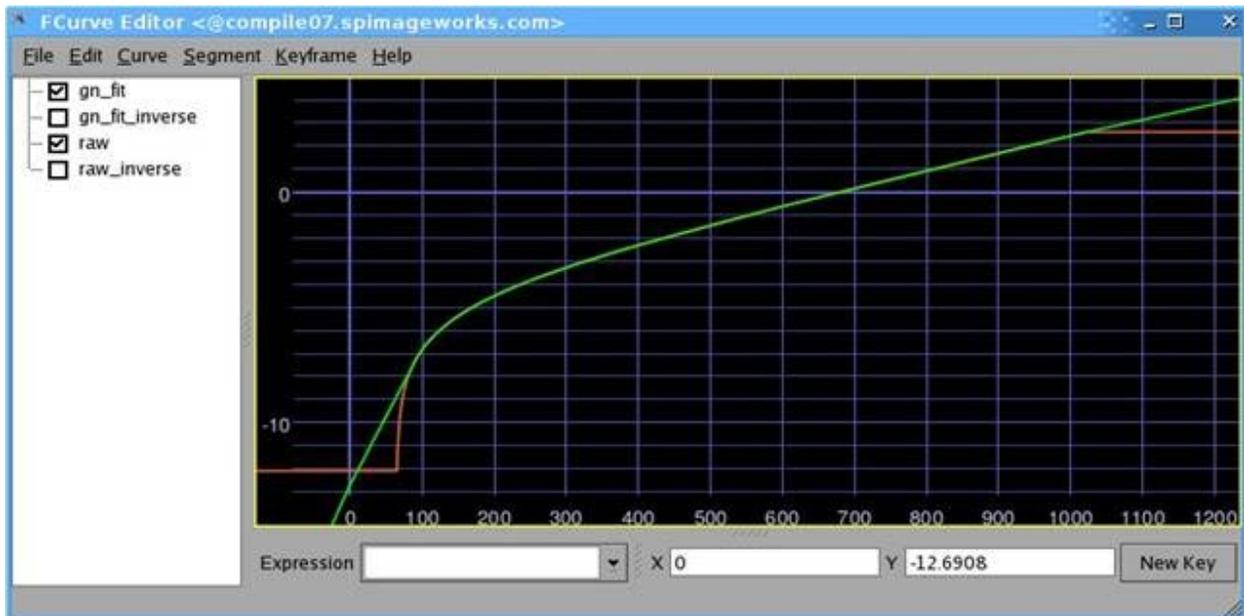


Figure 3.3: gn10 to linear light. the x axis is in 10bit Panalog values. The Y axis is in linear light. The green curve is the gn curve. the red curve is the Panalog data.

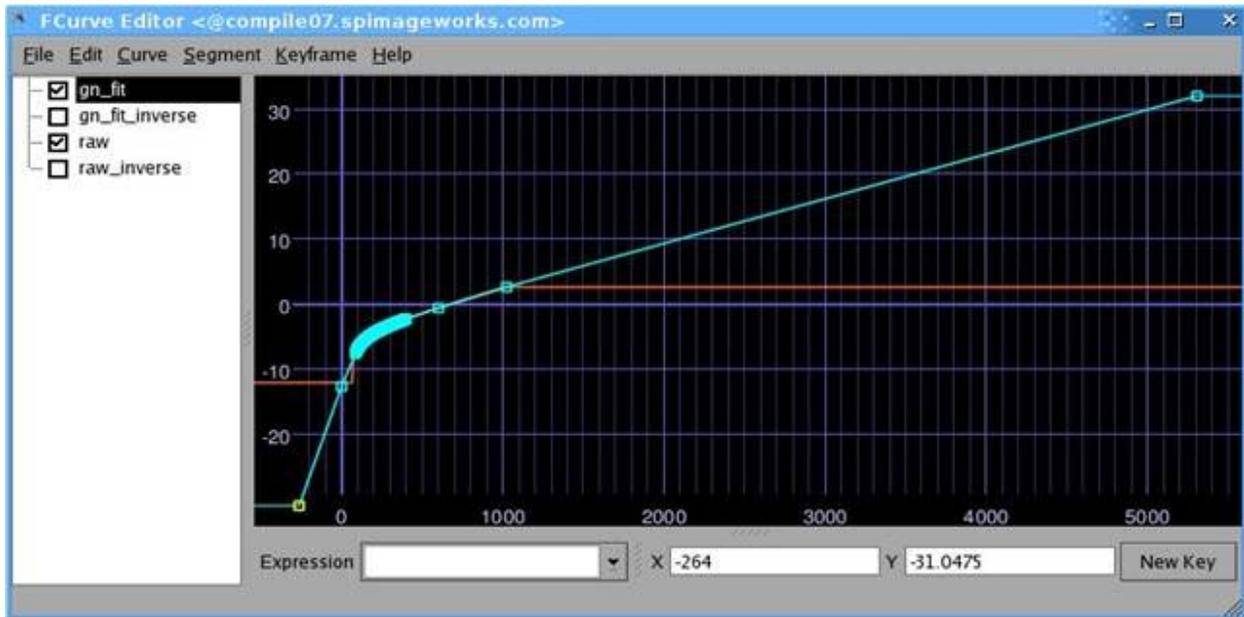


Figure 3.4: gnf to linear light. the x axis is in 10bit Panalog values. The Y axis is in linear light. The green curve is the gn curve. the red curve is the Panalog data. Only a subset of the function is used to define the gnf solospace

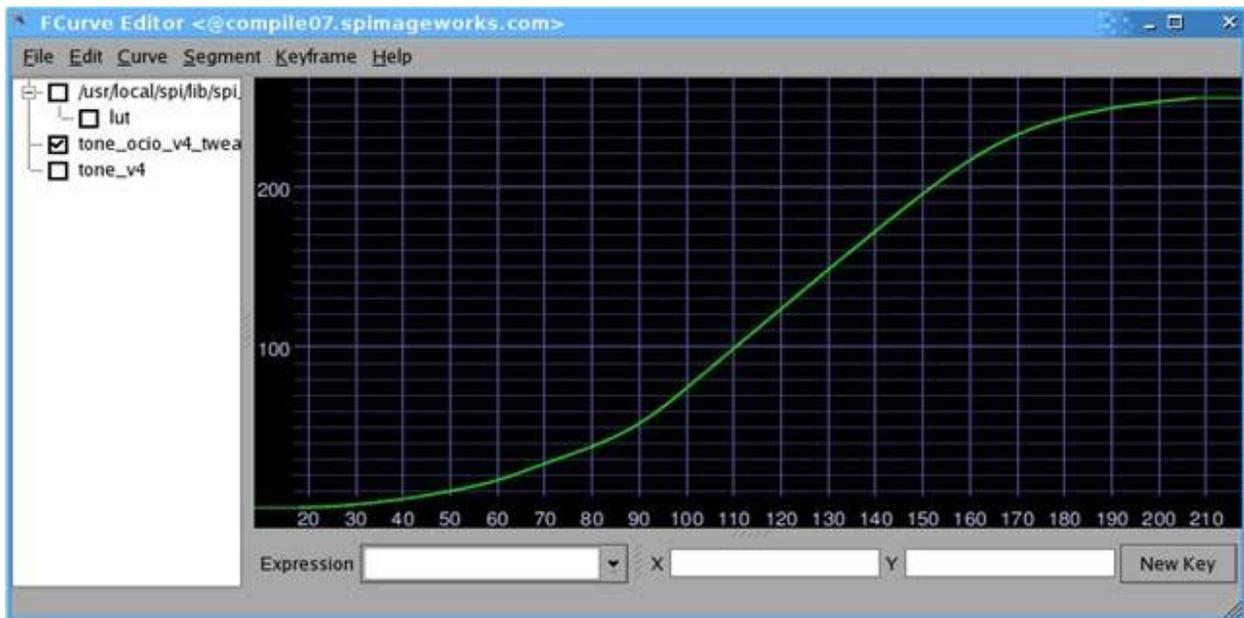


Figure 3.5: The curve used to map from Lg8 to vd 8. The x-axis is in lg8 units, the y-axis is in vd8 units.

The dynamic range of the vd is limited to around 2.5 stops above diffuse white. This has two positive attributes. It allows vd to be used to directly on matte paintings. It also allows all of vd to be represented in a gn10 image. The last part of the transformation is a matrix transformation that moves the whitepoint of film to look correct when displayed with a d65 whitepoint.

The main use of this colorspace is to import RGB images with an unknown colorspace. This colorspace no longer gets much use alone; However it is an integral part of many conversions. It is also part of the matte painting and diffuse texture pipelines.

vd works differently than the other floating spaces. It still only defines the color transformation from 0-1. This colorspace is used when we receive video space encoded exr's.

HD10 is a vd based space that is used for importing and exporting REC709 range broadcast material. This works very well for broadcast camera native material and poorly for material with a film emulation lut baked in. This transformation works well exporting film based material to tape, even though it lacks a film emulation lut. It does not give an accurate color rendering but created a pleasing image that makes clients happy.

Structurally the conversion is a matrix operation that scales the data then adds an offset to limit the range from 64-940. From there the standard vd transformation is applied.

### Texture Painting dt8, dt16

DT 8,16 - Diffuse texture colorspace. These colorspace are used for the conversion of textures painted in video space into a range limited linear space for use in rendering. The Color space is based on the vd transformation but limits the conversion into linear space so that no values above diffuse white can be created. This ensures that textures do not add light to a render. This is achieved by using a matrix transformation to limit the mapping of vd to the linear value of diffuse white.

### Data nc8, nc10, nc16, ncf

Non-Color (NC) spaces are used to hold any data that needs to be processed though the color pipeline unaltered. These are data spaces and can hold anything such as point clouds, normals, untagged reference art, etc. These data spaces do not get transformations applied at any point.

### Display Transforms srgb8, p3dci8, xyz16

**srgb8** bakes in the film3d emulation lut. This table can be used for either QuickTime generation or output to the sRGB display. The transformation is a 3d film emulation table with gray balance compensation, so a value of 445,445,445 in lg10 space is modified to become equal RGB values in sRGB. Additionally the lut is scaled so that at least one of the color channels on maximum white uses the display max.

The transformation takes place in three parts. First the linear data is converted to the show log space. Then a film emulation table is applied. Then the grey balance and white scaling compensation are applied. This table is designed to be evaluated in a dimly lit office environment on a sRGB display.

**p3dci8** is an implementation of film emulation table that has an output of DCI P3. This is only ever used for driving DLPs for display. The transformation has two parts. First the linear image data is converted to lg10 based image data then the DCI P3 film emulation lut is applied. No additional compensations are made.

**xyz16** is designed for the creation of a Digital Cinema Distribution Master (DCDM). The color matches that of the P3 output (dlpqt8), but has an additional output transformation to convert to X'Y'Z'. The transformation takes the linear image data and converts it to lg, then applies the filmlook. The data is then in DCI P3 colorspace. That data is converted to display linear P3, using an inverse gamma curve. A matrix conversion is then used to transform from DCI P3' into XYZ'. The final step is to reapply the gamma 2.6 to result in XYZ16 values.

In this profile each display has three identical looks defined. The names are kept consistent between devices to minimize confusion. OCIO uses a specific tag to associate colorspace with displays. The tags are nothing more than links to already defined colorspace.

**Film** is the image displayed through a film emulation lut. This visualization is display compensated and should visually match between a sRGB display and a P3 projector. The goal is to match how the film will look in a DI. The luts in use for this profile roughly match the Sony ColorWorks environment.

**Raw** visualization shows the image data on the screen with no display compensation. This is used for image debugging purposes, for instance to see if potential image discontinuities are in the source data or the visualization.

**Log** visualization displays the image as if it were converted to the show specific log. This transformation also has no display compensation. The common use for this is to see how well elements fit into the comp without the film emulation lut disguising any flaws. Old school compositors love it for grain matching.

sRGB Film : srgb8 sRGB Raw : nc10 sRGB Log : lg10

DCIP3 Raw : nc10 DCIP3 Log : lg10 DCIP3 Film : dlpqt8

**Display Calibration sRGB** is the supported desktop display specification, calibrated to the sRGB standard and viewed in a dim office environment. As Imageworks switched from crt based display devices to LCD based devices a number of possible colorspaces were explored. It was a long decision but sRGB was chosen for a few reasons. An important one was that almost every display manufacturer can implement sRGB, reasonable well. This becomes a boon when we work needs to be done outside of our main facilities. Even a consumer display with calibration can come close to matching the sRGB standard. Since so many monitor manufacturers can hit sRGB calibration we are not tied to purchasing from a specific vendor. It becomes unnecessary to specify a specific display to with productions or external vendors. It also reduces the amount of studio specific color requirements that need to be communicated when working with other facilities. 80 cd/m<sup>2</sup>, D65 white point, srgb gamma function (approx 2.4)

**P3** was deemed especially unusable on the desktop. The full specification requires a white point of 48 cd/m<sup>2</sup>. To adapt P3 for desktop use (in dim ambient environments), the whitepoint luminance needed to be raised. The specified 2.6 gamma is very challenging to the current display technology on very dark colors. This meant that we would have a special Imageworks video P3. A custom colorspace wouldn't make compositing better and would require a conversation, or conversion, every time video was sent out of house.

**DCIP3** is a projector calibrated to DCI P3 mastering specification in a theatrical mastering environment. We use a mix of display technologies, SXRD and DLP, depending on application. Gamma 2.6. Traditional DCI calibration.

### spi-anim

This is a real OCIO color profile in use at Sony Pictures Imageworks, and is suitable for use on animated features. The concepts utilized in this profile have been successfully validated on a variety of Sony Pictures Animation features including Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs, Surf's Up, and Arthur Christmas.

### nuke-default

This profile corresponds to the default Nuke color configuration (currently generated from Nuke 6.1).

If you have made modifications to a nuke color configuration, and wish to re-export your own custom OCIO profile, please refer to the nuke\_to\_ocio utility script distributed with OpenColorIO.

The following color transforms are defined:

- linear
- sRGB
- rec709
- Cineon
- Gamma 1.8

- Gamma 2.2
- Panalog
- REDLog
- ViperLog
- REDSpace

### aces\_1.0.3

ACES 1.0.3 OpenColorIO configuration

#### Information about ACES

The ACES project home page is here:

- <http://www.oscars.org/aces>

The latest documentation on the ACES transforms and specifications can be found here:

- <http://www.oscars.org/science-technology/aces/aces-documentation>

#### Colorspaces

Colorspaces in this configurations are grouped into the following families: ACES, ADX, Look, Output, Input, Utility, Aliases. Descriptions for the colorspaces in the different families are provided below.

For ease of use across a broader number of applications, the family name of each colorspace is pre-pended to the colorspace name when the configuration is authored. Those prefixes will be omitted in this document, but will show up when the configuration is loaded and used.

#### ACES Colorspaces

- ACES2065-1
- ACEScc
- ACEScct
- ACESproxy
- ACEScg

#### Description

Colorspaces and transforms representing the core ACES working and interchange colorspaces.

#### Technical information

Transforms generated based on the [ACES CTL Transforms](#)

#### Output Colorspaces

- sRGB
- sRGB (D60 sim.)
- Rec.709

- Rec.709 (D60 sim.)
- Rec.2020
- Rec.2020 ST2048 (1000 nits)
- DCDM (P3 gamut clip)
- DCDM
- P3-D60 ST2048 (1000 nits)
- P3-D60 ST2048 (2000 nits)
- P3-D60 ST2048 (4000 nits)
- P3-D60
- P3-DCI

### Description

Colorspaces and transforms implementing the ACES Output Transforms. These colorspaces produce code values ready for display on hardware devices calibrated to the standard used to name the colorspace.

### Technical information

- Transforms generated based on the [ACES CTL Transforms](#)
- All transforms produce full-range output. Host applications should be used to apply an full-to-legal scaling needed.

**Input Colorspaces** There are a variety of Input Transforms covering different cameras manufacturers, gamuts, transfer functions and camera settings. See below for specifics.

### Description

Colorspaces and transforms that implement the ACES Input Transforms. These colorspaces are used to convert from camera-specific formats and encodings to ACES.

### Technical information

References and descriptions are provided for each group of Input Transforms below. - The colorspaces whose names include a transfer function and a gamut name are full implementations of ACES Input Transforms.

- Ex. The ARRI ‘V3 LogC (EI160) - Wide Gamut’ colorspace
- Ex. The RED ‘REDlogFilm - DRAGONcolor2’ colorspace
- Ex. The Canon ‘Canon-Log - DCI-P3 Daylight’ colorspace
- The colorspaces that start with ‘Linear - ‘ will convert to or from a specific gamut but not apply a transfer function.
- The colorspaces that start with ‘Curve - ‘ will apply a transfer function but not convert between gamuts.

### ADX Colorspaces

- ADX10
- ADX16

### Description

Colorspaces and transforms representing the ACES ADX spaces used for film scanning and printing.

### Technical information

- Transforms generated based on the ACES CTL Transforms
- Alex Fry's ACES 0.7.1 OCIO config was also a valuable resource.

## ARRI

- ARRI 'Working with ACES'
- ARRI Input Transforms
- Conversations with Joseph Goldstone of ARRI

## Canon

- Canon ACES landing page
- Clog white paper
- C700 Drivers and Software
- C500 Drivers and Software
- **C300 Drivers and Software**
  - Choose *OSX Mountain Lion v10.8* to download the IDTs
- **C300 Mark II Drivers and Software**
  - Choose *OSX Mountain Lion v10.8* to download the IDTs, labeled "EOS C300 Mark II Input Transform Version 2.0 (for Cinema Gamut / BT.2020)"
- **C100 Drivers and Software**
  - Choose *OSX Mountain Lion v10.8* to download the IDTs

## Panasonic

- Vlog/V-Gamut white paper
- Varicam Drivers and Software

## RED

- Understanding REDlogFilm and REDgamma
- Conversations with Graeme Nattress of RED

## Sony

- Sony Input Transforms

## GoPro (Experimental)

- The quality and consistency of these transforms has not been verified.
- Conversations with David Newman of GoPro

### Utility Description

A collection of colorspaces that are used to facilitate the creation of LUTs and other basic functionality.

### Technical information

- The ‘Log2 xx nits Shaper’ and ‘Dolby PQ xx nits Shaper’ spaces cover the linear range centered around 18% grey. The 48 nits spaces cover -6.5 stops (0.0028125) to +6.5 stops(16.291740). The 1000 nits spaces cover -12 stops to +10 stops. The 2000 nits spaces cover -12 stops to +11 stops. The 4000 nits spaces cover -12 stops to +12 stops.
- The LMT shaper spaces cover the linear range going from 10 stops below 18% grey (0.00017578125) to 6.5 stops above 18% grey (16.291740)
- The colorspaces starting with ‘Linear - ‘ will convert to or from a specific gamut but not apply a transfer function.
- The colorspaces starting with ‘Curve - ‘ will apply a transfer function but not convert between gamuts.

### Look Colorspaces

- ACES 1.0 to 0.1 emulation
- ACES 1.0 to 0.2 emulation
- ACES 1.0 to 0.7 emulation

### Description

Colorspaces and transforms emulating the look of the ACES 0.1, 0.2 and 0.7 release.

- Should be applied to data in the ACES2065-1 colorspace.
- Should be used before an ACES Output Transform.

### Technical information

Transforms generated based on the [ACES CTL Transforms](#)

### Roles

#### Description

The role colorspaces are aliases to the colorspaces used for the *OCIO* ‘roles’ functionality.

#### Aliases

#### Description

The alias colorspaces are named with all lower-case letters and no spaces, dashes, parentheses or other characters that would not work well in a filename. They are only references, aliases for the base colorspaces with more user-friendly names. These spaces were added to enable OCIO’s token-based colorspace / filename matching.

- These colorspaces should not generally be used by most artists.

**Roles** The standard *OCIO* roles are defined. They role assignments are:

- **color\_picking**: Output - Rec.709
- **color\_timing**: ACEScc
- **compositing\_log**: ADX10
- **data**: Raw

- **default:** ACES2065-1
- **matte\_paint:** ACEScsc
- **reference:** Raw
- **scene\_linear:** ACEScsc
- **texture\_paint:** Raw

Additionally, a number of colorspace that are gaining wider adoption have been added to the config. Their names and assignment are:

- **compositing\_linear::** ACEScsc
- **rendering::** ACEScsc

## Displays and Views

The default config has one Display named **ACES**, which contains the following Views / colorspace:

- sRGB, colorspace: sRGB
- sRGB D60 sim., colorspace: sRGB (D60 sim.)
- DCDM, colorspace: DCDM
- DCDM P3 gamut clip, colorspace: DCDM (P3 gamut clip)
- P3-D60, colorspace: P3-D60
- P3-D60 PQ 1000 nits, colorspace: P3-D60 PQ (1000 nits)
- P3-D60 PQ 2000 nits, colorspace: P3-D60 PQ (2000 nits)
- P3-D60 PQ 4000 nits, colorspace: P3-D60 PQ (4000 nits)
- P3-DCI, colorspace: P3-DCI
- Rec.2020, colorspace: Rec.2020
- Rec.2020 ST2048 1000 nits, colorspace: Rec.2020 ST2048 (1000 nits)
- Rec.709, colorspace: Rec.709
- Rec.709 D60 sim., colorspace: Rec.709 (D60 sim.)
- Raw, colorspace: Raw
- Log, colorspace: ACEScsc

Considerations for custom config generation:

- **The choice of a single Display and many Views may not align well with the implementation of OCIO in an application.**
  - If you would like to generate a config that contains multiple Displays, with a small number of Views for each, review the config generation script's ‘`--createMultipleDisplays`’ option.
- **If a Look is added to the config, a new set of Views will be added, one for each of the Views listed above except Raw and Log.**
  - To add a custom Look to the config, review the config generation script's ‘`--addACESLookLUT`’, ‘`--addACESLookCDL`’, ‘`--addCustomLookLUT`’ and ‘`--addCustomLookCDL`’ options.

### LUTs

The default resolution is 65x65x65 for the 3D LUTs and 4096 for the 1D LUTs.

**OCIO LUTs** The LUTs used internally by OCIO can be retrieved [from the repository here](#).

**Baked LUTs** LUTs that can be used outside of OCIO are included in the [‘baked’ directory here](#).

- **The LUTs encode the ACES Output Transform for a specific colorspace input and are generally named:**
  - ‘Output Transform name’ for ‘Input colorspace name’.extension
  - Ex. ‘sRGB (D60 sim.) for ACEScc.icc’

The LUTs included in the ‘baked’ directory cover the following formats and applications:

- .3dl for Autodesk Flame
- .3dl for Autodesk Lustre
- .lut for SideFX Houdini
- .csp for Autodesk Maya
- .icc for Adobe Photoshop

### Generating Configurations

**Python** Configurations can be generated by the following *Python* package: `aces_1.0.3/python`

Usage is described on the command line and in the package root `__init__.py` file.

Features exposed for customization by the user include:

- The resolution of 1D and 3D LUTs
- Inclusion of custom Looks
- Two modes of creating the list of OCIO Displays and Views
- Selection of shaper function: Log2 or Dolby PQ

**CTL Source** The configuration depends on the **ACES 1.0.3** release. The release contains a number of file renames and the new ACESct color space and a number of minor bug fixes and small additions, but is otherwise very similar as the master **ACES 1.0.2** release.

The CTL is available here:

- <https://github.com/ampas/aces-dev/tree/v1.0.3/transforms/ctl>

Clone this repo using the following command:

- `git clone --branch v1.0.3 https://github.com/ampas/aces-dev.git`

### Dependencies

The *Python* configuration generation package depends on the following libraries:

- **OpenImageIO:** <http://openimageio.org>
  - Detailed build instructions can be found here: [OpenImageIO Build Instructions](#)
- **OpenColorIO:** <http://opencolorio.org>

– Detailed build instructions can be found here: [OpenColorIO Build Instructions](#)

- **CTL:** <https://github.com/ampas/CTL>

Building on macOS - Use the following commands to build these packages on macOS

- **OpenColorIO**
  - brew install -vd opencolorio --with-python
- **Update the homebrew repository of install scripts to make sure that OpenImageIO is included.**
  - brew tap homebrew/science
- **Optional Dependencies for OpenImageIO**
  - brew install -vd libRaw
  - brew install -vd OpenCV
- **OpenImageIO**
  - brew install -vd openimageio --with-python
- **CTL**
  - brew install -vd CTL
- **OpenColorIO, a second time. *ociolutimage* will build with *openimageio* installed.**
  - brew uninstall -vd opencolorio
  - brew install -vd opencolorio --with-python

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## 3.2.2 Config Creation

### How to Configure ColorSpace Allocation

The allocation / allocation vars are utilized during GPU 3dlut / shader text generation. (Processor::getGpuShaderText, Processor::getGpuLut3D).

If, in the course of GPU processing, a 3D lut is required, the “allocation / allocation vars” direct how OCIO should sample the colorspace, with the intent being to maintain maximum fidelity and minimize clamping.

Currently support allocations / variables:

**ALLOCATION\_UNIFORM::** 2 vars: [min, max]

**ALLOCATION\_LG2::** 2 vars: [lg2min, lg2max] 3 vars: [lg2min, lg2max, linear\_offset]

So say you have an srgb image (such as an 8-bit tif), where you know the data ranges between 0.0 - 1.0 (after converting to float). If you wanted to apply a 3d lut to this data, there is no danger in sampling that space uniformly and clamping data outside (0,1). So for this colorspace we would tag it:

```
allocation: uniform
allocationvars: [0.0, 1.0]
```

These are the defaults, so the tagging could also be skipped.

But what if you were actually first processing the data, where occasionally small undershoot and overshoot values were encountered? If you wanted OCIO to preserve this overshoot / undershoot pixel information, you would do so by modifying the allocation vars.

```
allocation: uniform
allocationvars: [-0.125, 1.125]
```

This would mean that any image data originally within [-0.125, 1.125] will be preserved during GPU processing. (Protip: Data outside this range *may* actually be preserved in some circumstances - such as if a 3d lut is not needed - but it's not required to be preserved).

So why not leave this at huge values (such as [-1000.0, 1000.0]) all the time? Well, there's a cost to supporting this larger dynamic range, and that cost is reduced precision within the 3D luts sample space. So in general you're best served by using sensible allocations (the smallest you can get away with, but no smaller).

Now in the case of high-dynamic range color spaces (such as float linear), a uniform sampling is not sufficient because the max value we need to preserve is so high.

Say you were using a 32x32x32 3d lookup table (a common size). Middle gray is at 0.18, and specular values are very much above that. Say the max value we wanted to preserve in our coding space is 256.0, each 3d lut lattice coordinates

would represent 8.0 units of linear light! That means the vast majority of the perceptually significant portions of the space wouldn't be sampled at all!

uniform allocation from 0-256: 0 8.0 16.0 ... 240.0 256.0

So another allocation is defined, lg2

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: linear
  description: |
    Scene-linear, high dynamic range. Used for rendering and compositing.
  allocation: lg2
  allocationvars: [-8, 8]
```

In this case, we're saying that the appropriate ways to sample the 3d lut are logarithmically, from  $2^{-8}$  stops to  $2^8$  stops.

Sample locations:  $2^{-8}$ : 0.0039  $2^{-7}$ : 0.0078  $2^{-6}$ : 0.0156 ...  $2^0$ : 1.0 ...  $2^6$ : 64.0  $2^7$ : 128.0  $2^8$ : 256.0

Which gives us a much better perceptual sampling of the space.

The one downside of this approach is that it can't represent 0.0, which is why we optionally allow a 3d allocation var, a black point offset. If you need to preserve 0.0 values, and you have a high dynamic range space, you can specify a small offset.

Example:

```
allocation: lg2
allocationvars: [-8, 8, 0.00390625]
```

The [-15.0, 6.0] values in spi-vfx come from the fact that all of the linearizations provided in that profile span the region from  $2^{-15}$  stops, to  $2^6$  stops. One could probably change that black point to a higher number (such as -8), but if you raised it too much you would start seeing black values be clipped. Conversely, on the high end one could raise it a bit but if you raised it too far the precision would suffer around gray, and if you lowered it further you'd start to see highlight clipping.

## 3.3 Installation

### 3.3.1 The easy way

While prebuilt binaries are not yet available for all platforms, OCIO is available via several platform's package managers.

#### Fedora and RHEL

In Fedora Core 15 and above, the following command will install OpenColorIO:

```
yum install OpenColorIO
```

Providing you are using the [Fedora EPEL repository](#) (see the [FAQ for instructions](#)), this same command will work for RedHat Enterprise Linux 6 and higher (including RHEL derivatives such as CentOS 6 and Scientific Linux 6)

#### OS X using Homebrew

You can use the Homebrew package manager to install OpenColorIO on OS X.

First install Homebrew as per the instructions on the [Homebrew homepage](#) (or see the [Homebrew wiki](#) for more detailed instructions)

Then simply run the following command to install:

```
brew install opencolorio
```

To build with the Python library use this command:

```
brew install opencolorio --with-python
```

### 3.3.2 Building from source

#### OS X and Linux

While there is a huge range of possible setups, the following steps should work on OS X and most Linux distros.

The basic requirements are:

- cmake  $\geq$  2.8
- (optional) Python 2.x (for the Python bindings)
- (optional) Nuke 6.x or newer (for the Nuke nodes)
- (optional) OpenImageIO (for apps including ocioconvert)
- (optional) Truelight SDK (for TruelightTransform)

To keep things simple, this guide will use the following example paths - these will almost definitely be different for you:

- source code: `/source/ocio`
- the temporary build location: `/tmp/ociobuild`
- the final install directory: `/software/ocio`

First make the build directory and cd to it:

```
$ mkdir /tmp/ociobuild
$ cd /tmp/ociobuild
```

Next step is to run cmake, which looks for things such as the compiler's required arguments, optional requirements like Python, Nuke, OpenImageIO etc

As we want to install OCIO to a custom location (instead of the default `/usr/local`), we will run cmake with `CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX`

Still in `/tmp/ociobuild`, run:

```
$ cmake -D CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/software/ocio /source/ocio
```

The last argument is the location of the OCIO source code (containing the main `CMakeLists.txt` file). You should see something along the lines of:

```
-- Configuring done
-- Generating done
-- Build files have been written to: /tmp/ociobuild
```

Next, build everything (with the `-j` flag to build using 8 threads):

```
$ make -j8
```

This should complete in a few minutes. Finally, install the files into the specified location:

```
$ make install
```

If nothing went wrong, `/software/ocio` should look something like this:

```
$ cd /software/ocio
$ ls
bin/      include/ lib/
$ ls bin/
ocio2icc  ociobakelut ociocheck
$ ls include/
OpenColorIO/  PyOpenColorIO/ pkgconfig/
$ ls lib/
libOpenColorIO.a      libOpenColorIO.dylib
```

## Windows Build

While build environments may vary between user, here is an example batch file for compiling on Windows as provided by [@hodoulp](#):

```
@echo off

REM Grab the repo name, default is ocio_rw
set repo_name=ocio_rw
if not %1.==. set repo_name=%1

set CYGWIN=nodosfilewarning

set CMAKE_PATH=D:\OpenSource\cmake-3.9.3
set PYTHON_PATH=C:\Python27
set BOOST_ROOT=D:\SolidAngle\boost_1_55_0

set PATH=D:\Tools\cygwin64\bin;%CMAKE_PATH%\bin;%PYTHON_PATH%;%PATH%

call "C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Visual Studio 14.0\VC\vcvarsall.bat" amd64

set OCIO_PATH=D:\OpenSource\%repo_name%

@doskey ne="D:\Tools\Notepad++\notepad++.exe" -nosession -multiInst $*
@doskey sub="D:\Tools\Sublime Text 3\subl.exe" --project %OCIO_PATH%\project.sublime-project

REM Decompose the directory change to avoid problems...
D:

IF NOT EXIST %OCIO_PATH% (
echo %OCIO_PATH% does not exist
exit /b
)
cd %OCIO_PATH%
```

```
set CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release

echo *****
echo *****
echo ***** Building %OCIO_PATH%
echo **
echo **
set are_you_sure = Y
set /P are_you_sure=Build in %CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE% ([Y]/N)?
if not %are_you_sure%==Y set CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Debug

set BUILD_PATH=_build_rls
if not %CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE%==Release set BUILD_PATH=_build_dbg

IF NOT EXIST %BUILD_PATH% ( mkdir %BUILD_PATH% )
cd %BUILD_PATH%

echo **
echo **

cmake -G "NMake Makefiles" ^
      -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=%CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE% ^
      -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=%OCIO_PATH%\_install ^
      -DOCIO_BUILD_TESTS=ON ^
      %OCIO_PATH%

set PATH=%OCIO_PATH%\%BUILD_PATH%\src\core;%PATH%

REM Find the current branch
set GITBRANCH=
for /f %%I in ('git.exe rev-parse --abbrev-ref HEAD 2^> NUL') do set GITBRANCH=%%I

if not "%GITBRANCH%" == "" prompt $C%GITBRANCH%$F $P$G

echo *****
echo *****
echo boost      = %BOOST_ROOT%
echo cmake      = %CMAKE_PATH%
echo *****
if not "%GITBRANCH%" == "" echo branch = %GITBRANCH%
echo *****
echo Mode       = %CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE%
echo path       = %OCIO_PATH%\%BUILD_PATH%
echo compile    = nmake all
echo test       = nmake test
echo *****
echo *****
```

Also look to the Appveyor config script at the root of repository for an example build sequence.

## Enabling optional components

The OpenColorIO library is probably not all you want - the Python libraries bindings, the Nuke nodes and several applications are only built if their dependencies are found.

In the case of the Python bindings, the dependencies are the Python headers for the version you wish to use. These may be picked up by default - if so, when you run cmake you would see:

```
-- Python 2.6 okay, will build the Python bindings against ../include/python2.6
```

If not, you can point cmake to correct Python executable using the `-D PYTHON=...` cmake flag:

```
$ cmake -D PYTHON=/my/custom/python2.6 /source/ocio
```

Same process with Nuke (although it less likely to be picked up automatically). Point cmake to your Nuke install directory by adding `-D NUKE_INSTALL_PATH:`

```
$ cmake -D PYTHON=/my/custom/python2.6 -D NUKE_INSTALL_PATH=/Applications/Nuke6.2v1/Nuke6.2v1.app/Contents/MacOS/
```

The `NUKE_INSTALL_PATH` directory should contain the Nuke executable (e.g Nuke6.2v1), and a `include/` directory containing `DDImage/` and others.

If set correctly, you will see something similar to:

```
-- Found Nuke: /Applications/Nuke6.2v1/Nuke6.2v1.app/Contents/MacOS/include
-- Nuke_API_VERSION: --6.2--
```

The Nuke plugins are installed into `lib/nuke$MAJOR.$MINOR/`, e.g `lib/nuke6.2/OCIODisplay.so`

**Note:** If you are using the Nuke plugins, you should compile the Python bindings for the same version of Python that Nuke uses internally. For Nuke 6.0 and 6.1 this is Python 2.5, and for 6.2 it is Python 2.6

The applications included with OCIO have various dependencies - to determine these, look at the CMake output when first run:

```
-- Not building ocioconvert. Requirement(s) found: OIIO:FALSE
```

### 3.3.3 Quick environment configuration

The quickest way to set the required *Environment variables* is to source the `share/ocio/setup_ocio.sh` script installed with OCIO.

For a simple single-user setup, add the following to `~/.bashrc` (assuming you are using bash, and the example install directory of `/software/ocio`):

```
source /software/ocio/share/ocio/setup_ocio.sh
```

The only environment variable you must configure manually is `OCIO`, which points to the configuration file you wish to use. For prebuilt config files, see the *Downloads* section

To do this, you would add a line to `~/.bashrc` (or a per-project configuration script etc), for example:

```
export OCIO="/path/to/my/config.ocio"
```

### 3.3.4 Nuke Configuration

If you specified the `NUKE_INSTALL_PATH` option when running cmake, you should have a `/software/ocio/lib/nuke6.2` directory containing various files.

If you have followed *Quick environment configuration*, the plugins should be functional. However, one common additional configuration step is to register an OCIODisplay node for each display device/view specified in the config.

To do this, in a menu.py on NUKE\_PATH (e.g ~/ .nuke/menu.py for a single user setup), add the following:

```
import ocionuke.viewer
ocionuke.viewer.populate_viewer(also_remove = "default")
```

The also\_remove argument can be set to either “default” to remove the default sRGB/rec709 options, “all” to remove everything, or “none” to leave existing viewer processes untouched.

Alternatively, if your workflow has different requirements, you can copy the function and modify it as required, or use it as reference to write your own, better viewer setup function!

```
import nuke
```

```
def register_viewers(also_remove = "default"):
    """Registers the a viewer process for each display device/view, and
    sets the default viewer process.

    ``also_remove`` can be set to either:

    - "default" to remove the default sRGB/rec709 viewer processes
    - "all" to remove all processes
    - "none" to leave existing viewer processes untouched
    """

    if also_remove not in ("default", "none", "all"):
        raise ValueError("also_remove should be set to 'default', 'none' or 'all'")

    if also_remove == "default":
        nuke.ViewerProcess.unregister('rec709')
        nuke.ViewerProcess.unregister('sRGB')
        nuke.ViewerProcess.unregister('None')
    elif also_remove == "all":
        # Unregister all processes, including None, which should be defined in config.ocio
        for curname in nuke.ViewerProcess.registeredNames():
            nuke.ViewerProcess.unregister(curname)

    # Formats the display and transform, e.g "Film1D (sRGB)"
    DISPLAY_UI_FORMAT = "%(view)s (%(display)s)"

    import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
    config = OCIO.GetCurrentConfig()

    # For every display, loop over every view
    for display in config.getDisplays():
        for view in config.getViews(display):
            # Register the node
            nuke.ViewerProcess.register(
                name = DISPLAY_UI_FORMAT % {'view': view, "display": display},
                call = nuke.nodes.OCIODisplay,
                args = (),
                kwargs = {"display": display, "view": view, "layer": "all"})

    # Get the default display and view, set it as the default used on Nuke startup
    defaultDisplay = config.getDefaultDisplay()
    defaultView = config.getDefaultView(defaultDisplay)
```

```
nuke.knobDefault (
    "Viewer.viewerProcess",
    DISPLAY_UI_FORMAT % {'view': defaultView, "display": defaultDisplay})
```

### 3.3.5 Environment variables

#### OCIO

This variable needs to point to the global OCIO config file, e.g `config.ocio`

#### OCIO\_LOGGING\_LEVEL

Configures OCIO's internal logging level. Valid values are `none`, `warning`, `info`, or `debug` (or their respective numeric values 0, 1, 2, or 3 can be used)

Logging output is sent to `STDERR` output.

#### OCIO\_ACTIVE\_DISPLAYS

Overrides the `active_displays` configuration value. Colon-separated list of displays, e.g `sRGB:P3`

#### OCIO\_ACTIVE\_VIEWS

Overrides the `active_views` configuration item. Colon-separated list of view names, e.g `internal:client:DI`

#### DYLD\_LIBRARY\_PATH

The `lib/` folder (containing `libOpenColorIO.dylib`) must be on the `DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH` search path, or you will get an error similar to:

```
dlopen(.../OCIOColorSpace.so, 2): Library not loaded: libOpenColorIO.dylib
Referenced from: .../OCIOColorSpace.so
Reason: image not found
```

This applies to anything that links against OCIO, including the Nuke nodes, and the `PyOpenColorIO` Python bindings.

#### LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH

Equivalent to the `DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH` on Linux

#### PYTHONPATH

Python's module search path. If you are using the `PyOpenColorIO` module, you must add `lib/python2.x` to this search path (e.g `python/2.5`), or importing the module will fail:

```
>>> import PyOpenColorIO
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ImportError: No module named PyOpenColorIO
```

Note that `DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH` or `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` must be set correctly for the module to work.

#### NUKE\_PATH

Nuke's customization search path, where it will look for plugins, gizmos, `init.py` and `menu.py` scripts and other customizations.

This should point to both `lib/nuke6.2/` (or whatever version the plugins are built against), and `share/nuke/`

## 3.4 User Guide

These guides will focus on a specific task (for example, writing a basic config, or setting up per-shot LUT's). For a “broader picture” expiation of how to use OCIO, see the *Configurations* section

### 3.4.1 Tool overview

OCIO is comprised of many parts. At the lowest level there is the C++ API. This API can be used in applications and plugins

Note that all these plugins use the same config file to define color spaces, roles and so on. For information on setting up configurations, see *Configurations*

#### The API

Most users will never directly interact with the C++ API. However the API is used by all the supplied applications (e.g *ocio2icc*) and plugins (e.g the *Nuke plugins*)

To get started with the API, see the *Developer Guide*

#### ociocheck

This is a command line tool which shows an overview of an OCIO config file, and check for obvious errors

For example, the following shows the output of a config with a typo - the colorspace used for `compositing_log` is not incorrect:

```
$ ociocheck --iconfig example.ocio
```

```
OpenColorIO Library Version: 0.8.3
OpenColorIO Library VersionHex: 525056
Loading example.ocio
```

```
** General **
Search Path: luts
Working Dir: /tmp
```

```
Default Display: sRGB
Default View: Film
```

```
** Roles **
ncf (default)
lnf (scene_linear)
NOT DEFINED (compositing_log)
```

```
** ColorSpaces **
lnf
lgf
ncf
srgb8 -- output only
```

```
ERROR: Config failed sanitycheck. The role 'compositing_log' refers to a colorspace, 'lgff', which is
```

```
Tests complete.
```

It cannot verify the defined color transforms are “correct”, only that the config file can be loaded by OCIO without error. Some of the problems it will detect are:

- Duplicate colorspace names
- References to undefined colorspaces
- Required roles being undefined
- At least one display device is defined

As with all the OCIO command line tools, you can use the `-help` argument to read a description and see the other arguments accepted:

```
$ ociocheck --help
ociocheck -- validate an OpenColorIO configuration

usage: ociocheck [options]

    --help          Print help message
    --iconfig %s    Input .ocio configuration file (default: $OCIO)
    --oconfig %s    Output .ocio file
```

### ociobakelut

A command line tool which bakes a color transform into various color lookup file formats (“a LUT”)

This is intended for applications that have not directly integrated OCIO, but can load LUT files

If we want to create a `lnf` to `srgb8` viewer LUT for Houdini’s MPlay:

```
$ ociobakelut --inputspace scene_linear --shaperspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 --format houdini houdini
```

The `--inputspace` and `-outputspace` options specify the colorspace of the input image, and the displayed image.

Since a 3D LUT can only practically operate on 0-1 (e.g a Log image), the `--shaperspace` option is specified. This uses the Houdini LUT’s 1D “pretransform” LUT to do “lnf” to “lg10”, then the 3D LUT part to go from “lg10” to “srgb8” (basically creating a single file containing a 1D linear-to-log LUT, and a 3D log-to-sRGB LUT)

To make a log to sRGB LUT for Flame, the usage is similar, except the `shaperspace` option is omitted, as the input colorspace does not have values outside 0.0-1.0 (being a Log space):

```
$ ociobakelut --inputspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 --format flame flame__lg10_to_srgb.3dl
```

See the [What LUT Formats are supported?](#) section for a list of formats that support baking

### ocio2icc

A command line tool to generate an ICC “proofing” profile from a color space transform, which can be used in applications such as Photoshop.

A common workflow is for matte-painters to work on sRGB files in Photoshop. An ICC profile is used to view the work with the same film emulation transform as used in other departments.

### ocioconvert

Loads an image, applies a color transform, and saves it to a new file.

OpenImageIO is used to open and save the file, so a wide range of formats are supported.

### ociodisplay

A basic image viewer. Uses OpenImageIO to load images, and displays them using OCIO and typical viewer controls (scene-linear exposure control and a post-display gamma control)

May be useful to users to quickly check colorspace configuration, but primarily a demonstration of the OCIO API

### Nuke plugins

A set of OCIO nodes for The Foundry's Nuke, including:

- OCIOColorSpace, transforms between two color spaces (similar to the built-in "ColorSpace" node, but the colorspace are described in the OCIO config file)
- OCIODisplay to be used as viewer processes
- OCIOFileTransform loads a transform from a file (e.g a 1D or 3D LUT), and applies it
- OCIOCDLTransform applies CDL-compliant grades, and includes utilities to create/load ASC CDL files

## 3.4.2 Baking LUT's

Sometimes it is necessary to write a color transform as a lookup-table file

This is usually because an application does not natively support OCIO (unlike, say, Nuke which various OCIO nodes), but can load a LUT of some kind. This would currently include applications like Autodesk Flame, Adobe Photoshop, SideFX's MPlay (Houdini's "Image Viewer")

Remember that baking a LUT is not a perfect solution. Different LUT formats have various limitations. Certain applications might apply LUT's differently (often incorrectly), and some formats simply cannot accurately represent certain transforms. Others might require carefully selecting shaper spaces and so on.

Be sure to carefully test the generated LUT in the target application. Burning the LUT into a test image (such as Marcie!), and carefully comparing to a reference is often the only way to be sure a LUT is correct.

### Config-based baking

This section assumes you have a working OCIO config.

The config can either be specified by setting the OCIO environment variable:

```
bash$ export OCIO=~/.path/to/spi-vfx/config.ocio
```

Alternatively the config can be specified as a command-line argument to the `ociobakelut` command, `--iconfig ~/.path/to/spi-vfx/config.ocio`

These examples will use the `spi-vfx` config, specifically the following colorspace

- `lnf` - scene-referred linear light colorspace (reference colorspace)
- `lg10` - film log colorspace (0-1 colorspace)
- `srgb8` - sRGB display colorspace

Remember these are just for the examples - you can of course use any config and any colorspace

### Log-input display LUT

Say we have a `lg10` image in MPlay (maybe a ".cin" film scan), and wish to view it in our main display colorspace, `srgb8`

The available formats are listed in the `ociobakelut --help` - for MPlay, we use the "houdini" format (see [the FAQ](#) for a more detailed list)

So, to create a LUT that transforms from `lg10` to `srgb8`:

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format houdini --inputspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 log_to_display.lut
```

We could then load this LUT into MPlay and view a `lg10` image correctly! (note that by MPlay tries to linearise ".cin" files by default, which can be disabled in the preferences, "Convert form 10bit Log")

For most other applications, we could simply change the `--format`

### Shaper spaces

Before we create a LUT to view linear-light images, it's important to understand shaper-spaces and preluts.

The two main types of LUT's are 1D and 3D. Such LUT formats typically require input values in the 0.0-1.0 range. Such a LUT would be unsuitable for linear-light values input images (where values are often over 1)

To address this, various LUT formats contain a smaller "prelut" (or "shaper LUT") which is applied before the main LUT. This is used to transform the input values into a 0-1 range (typically a linear-to-log type transform)

In terms of color-transforms, the prelut transforms from "input-space" to "shaper-space", then the main LUT transforms from "shaper-space" to "output-space"

Some formats do not support such a shaper LUT - these are typically used in applications which do not work with floating-point images (e.g Lustre often works with 10-bit integer DPX's, so it's natively supported "--format lustre" (3DL) format has no need for a prelut)

### Linear-light input display LUT

With shaper-spaces explained, lets say we have a `lnf` linear light image in MPlay, and wish to view it in the `srgb8` colorspace.

To create this LUT accurately, without clipping, we will use the LUT's prelut to transform from `lnf` to `lg10`, then the 3D LUT will transform from `lg10` to `srgb8`

Sounds complicated, but the command is almost the same as before, just with the `--shaperspace` argument (and `--inputspace` changed, of course):

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format houdini --inputspace lnf --shaperspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 lin_to_di
```

### Allocation-based prelut

If your *allocation variables* are setup correctly, you can omit the `--shaperspace` argument, and a prelut will be automatically created based on the allocation vars (see the linked page for more information)

Since the colorspace in the config we are using (*spi-vfx*) have their allocation variables set correctly, we could simplify the `lnf` to `srgb8` bake command:

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format houdini --inputspace lnf --outputspace srgb8 lin_to_display_allocbased.lut
```

This command creates a very different prelut to the explicitly specified `--shaperspace lg10` in the previous example. Explicitly specifying a shaper can produce better results, however the allocation-based prelut usually works nicely, and is convenient

Note that allocation-var based preluts is baker-format dependant, and not all formats currently implement them

### Config-free baking

You can perform baking without using a OCIO config. This means you don't have to create a temporary config just to, say, convert from one LUT format to another.

### Converting between formats

Say we have a houdini LUT named `log_to_display.lut`. To convert this to a Flame compatible 3dl file, simply run:

```
ociobakelut --format flame --lut log_to_display.lut for_flame.3dl
```

### Reversing a 1D LUT

You can apply a LUT in reverse, and write this to a new LUT (this does not work for 3D LUT's, but will for 1D LUT's):

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format flame --invlut logtosrgb.3dl srgbtolog.3dl
```

### Creating a grade LUT

You can create a LUT which applies CDL-compliant grades:

```
ociobakelut --format cinespace --slope 1.2 1.0 0.9 mygrade.csp
```

### Combining options

These options can be used together, or used multiple times.

For example, to perform a slope offset, then apply "mylut.csp", saving it out for Lustre:

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format lustre --slope 2.0 1.5 0.4 --lut mylut.csp output.3dl
```

### ICC profiles (Photoshop)

Photoshop is very focused around print and graphic-design, industries with very different color management concerns to modern feature-film VFX. As such, it can be a pain to integrate.

The main issue is current versions of Photoshop (CS5) are only practical for working with 16-bit integer images (not floating point/linear-light images as is common in compositing software)

The second issue is there is no simple way to load a simple 1D or 3D LUT into Photoshop (and its API does not make this easy either!)

## A working space

First, we need to decide on a colorspace to use for the images in Photoshop. This is the colorspace in which matte-paintings will be performed (likely a different colorspace that used for texture-painting, as these have different requirements)

The working space should be a “0-1 colorspace”, reversable, and for matte-paintings ideally allow painting values over “diffuse white” (in other words, to paint values over 1.0 when converted to linear-light in comp)

This is a facility-dependant workflow choice.

For this example we will use the `vd16` colorspace, as described by the *spi-vfx*

## Creating display LUT

“Proofing profiles” in Photoshop can be used in a very similar way to a display LUT in applications like Nuke. This proof-profile can be used to apply a 3D color transform from the working-space to a display space (e.g transform from `vd16` to `srgb8` in the *spi-vfx* config)

These proofing-profiles are ICC profiles - a rather print-specific technology and relatively complex format

Luckily, `ociobakelut` can be used to create these... but, first, there are some important considerations:

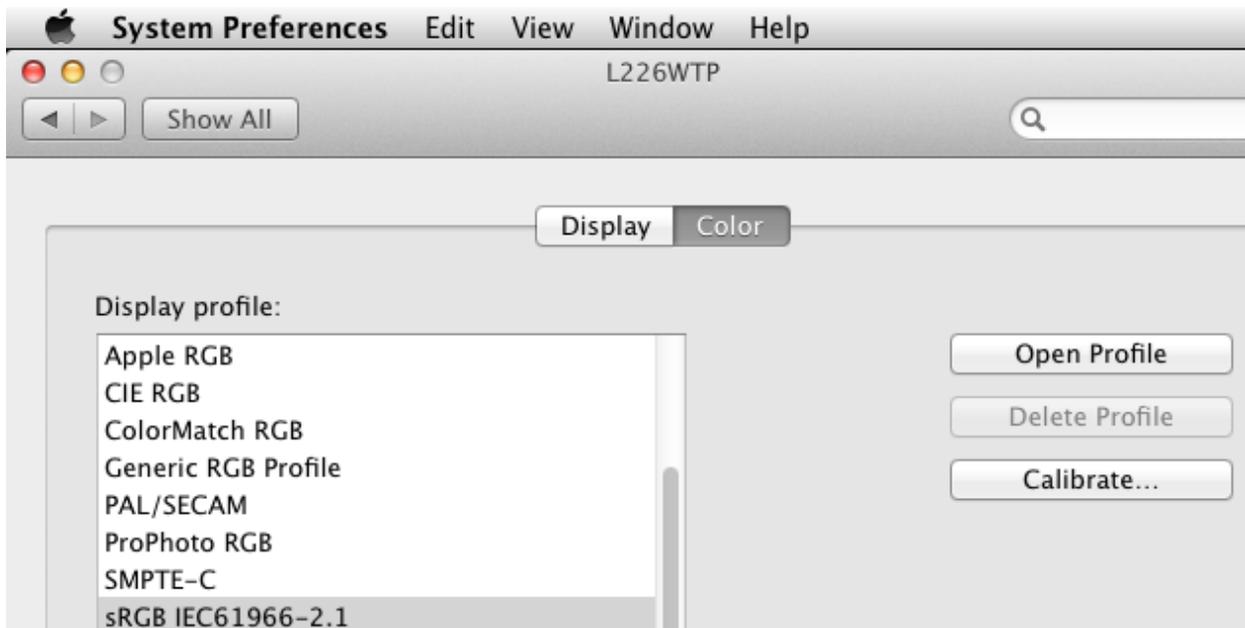
It is important to match the `--displayicc` option to the profile used for the display.

Secondly, Photoshop has a lot of print-focused color-management options, some of which can cause problems.

## Determine display ICC

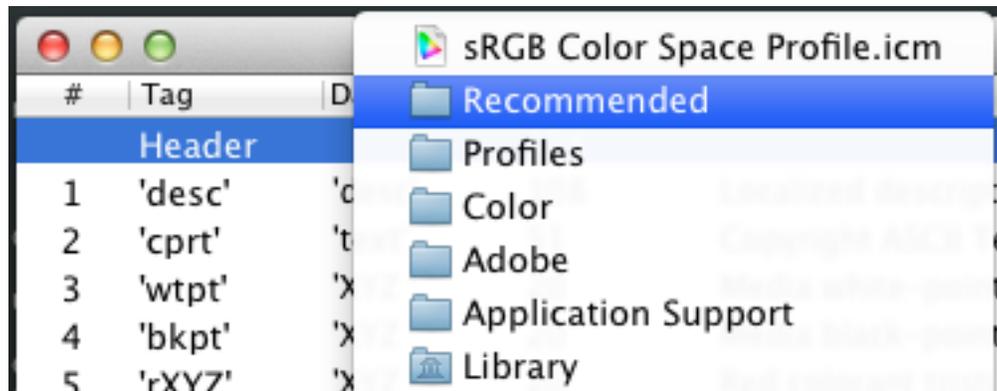
On OS X, launch “System Preferences”, open “Displays” and click “Color” tab. The currently active ICC profile is selected.

If you just want something simple that “probably matches” a Linux machine, say, it is easiest to uncheck “Show profiles for this display only” and select the “sRGB IEC61966-2.1” profile. You can skip the rest of this section in this case.



However, if you have a specific display-profile selected (maybe created by monitor-calibration software), you should do the following:

Click “Open Profile”, and right-click the icon in the top of the window, and click the folder:



This reveals the current profile in Finder. You can drag the file onto a Terminal.app window to get the full path (or, type it manually)

### Create the ICC profile

Almost done now. We can write the ICC profile!

The full command is, using our example colorspace of `vd16` and `srgb8`:

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format icc --inputspace vd16 --outputspace srgb8 --displayicc /path/to/my/monitor
```

The first three options are the same as any other LUT:

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format icc --inputspace vd16 --outputspace srgb8 [...]
```

Then we specify the display ICC profile:

```
[...] --displayicc /path/to/my/monitorprofile.icc [...]
```

We can set the description (shown in Photoshop), and as the last argument, specify:

```
[...] --description "vd16 to srgb8" [...]
```

Finally an argument for the output file:

```
[...] vd16_to_srgb.icc
```

If you selected the “sRGB IEC61966-2.1” display profile, you can omit the `--displayicc` argument (it defaults to an standard sRGB profile):

```
bash$ ociobakelut --format icc --inputspace vd16 --outputspace srgb8 --description "vd16 to srgb8"
```

### Loading the “display LUT”

Last step is to load the ICC profile into Photoshop, and enable it.

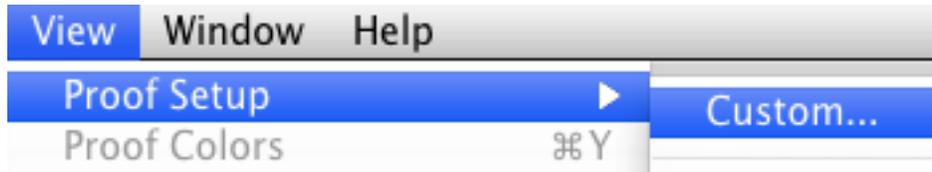
On OS X, these can be put into:

/Library/ColorSync/Profiles/

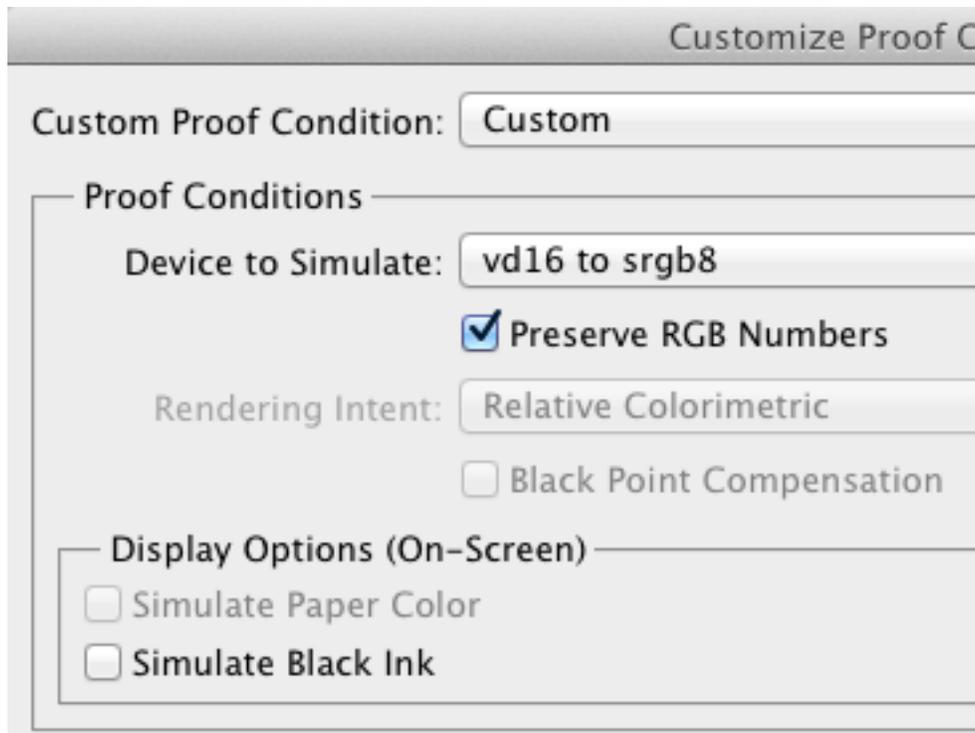
(or the equivalent directory in your home-directory)

On Windows, right-click the profile and select “Install profile”

Then on either platform, click “View > Proof Setup > Custom...”



Select your profile from the “Device to simulate” dropdown (the name is what you supplied with `--description`):



As pictured, selecting “Preserve RGB numbers”, and deselecting “Simulate Black Ink” is a good starting point (see the next section on “Other color settings”)

Finally, you can load an image in your working space, and click “View > Proof Colors”, or hit `cmd+y` (or `ctrl+y`)

When active, the profile name is shown in the window title (e.g. “... (RGB/16#/vd16 to srgb8”, where the part after the “#” is the profile name, “RGB/16” indicates the current image mode)

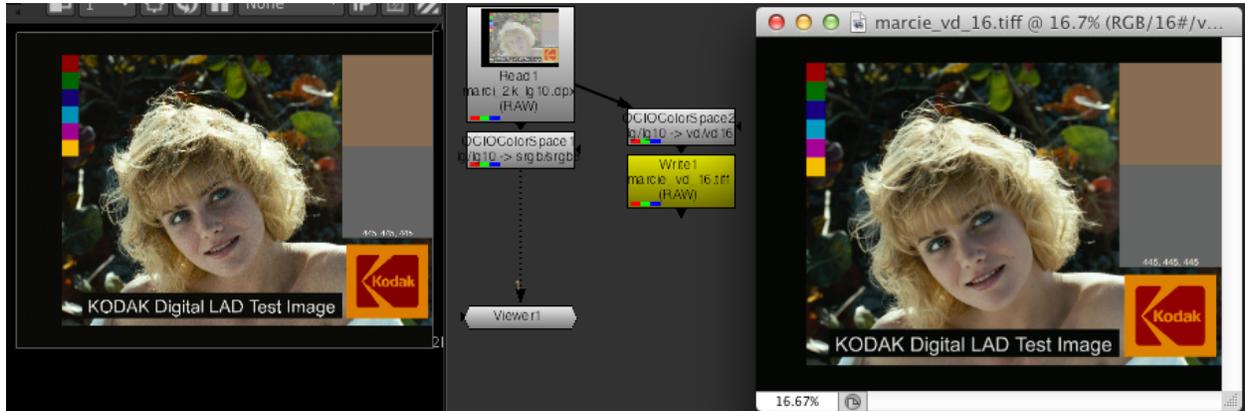
### Other color settings

(note this guide is based on Photoshop CS5, and written while checking the OS X version, although most of these apply similarly on Windows 7)

It is usually possible to get a matte-painting to look identical in Photoshop as it does in a more VFX-friendly application such as Nuke.

However, as mentioned Photoshop has a lot of color-management related options, many of which can impair the match between it and other applications. The operating system also has some controls (as seen before with the ColorSync display profile)

The settings that require tweaking have a tendency to change with OS versions, Photoshop versions and the phase of the moon. The only way to be sure is to compare Photoshop side-by-side with a LUT-reference-image (ideally toggling between Photoshop and Nuke):



The most important settings are in the “View > Proof Setup > Custom ...” menu.

The recommended “Preserve RGB” setting works sometimes. Other times disabling “Preserve RGB Numbers” and selecting “Rendering Intent: Relative Colorimetric” can be closer.

It is safest to not assign a profile to the images you are working on - this is done by clicking “Edit > Assign Profile”, and selecting “Don’t Color Manage This Document”.

In closing, of course none of this matters if you don’t have a calibrated monitor!

### 3.4.3 Contexts

OCIO’s allows different LUT’s or grades to be applied based on the current context.

These contexts are usually based on environment variables, but also allows on-the-fly context switching in applications that operate on multiple shots (such as playback tools)

Typically these would be used as part of the display transform, to apply shot-specific looks (such as a CDL color correction, or a 1D grade LUT)

#### A contrived example

The simplest way to explain this feature is with examples. Say we have two shots, `ab-123` and `sf-432`, and each shot requires a different LUT to view. The current shot name is stored in the environment variable `SHOT`.

In the OCIO config, you can use this `SHOT` environment variable to construct the LUT’s path/filename. This path can be absolute (e.g `/example/path/${SHOT}.spild`), or relative to any directory on the OCIO search path, which includes the resource path (e.g `${SHOT}.spild`)

This is a simplified example, to demonstrate the context feature. Typically this “contextual LUT” would be used in conjunction with other LUT’s (e.g before a scene-linear to log transform, followed by a 3D film emulation LUT), this will be covered in *Per-shot grades*

So, we have our empty OCIO config in `~/showcfg`, and our two LUTs in `~/showcfg/luts` which are named `af-123.spild` and `sf-432.spild`:

```
~/showcfg/
  config.ocio
  luts/
    af-123.spild
    sf-432.spild
```

In the config, we first specify the config version, and the resource path (usually this is relative to the directory containing `config.ocio`, although can be an absolute path):

```
ocio_profile_version: 1
resource_path: luts
```

Next, we define a colorspace that transforms from the show reference space to the display colorspace:

```
colorspaces:
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  family: srgb
  bitdepth: 8ui
  from_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: ${SHOT}.spild}
```

Then add a display alias for this transform:

```
displays:
- !<Display> {device: sRGB, name: "Shot LUT", colorspace: srgb8}
```

Finally, we point the OCIO env-variable to the config, set the SHOT env-variable to the shot being worked on, and launch Nuke (or any other OCIO-enabled application):

```
export OCIO=~/showcfg/config.ocio
export SHOT=af-123
nuke
```

In Nuke, we create an OCIODisplay node, select our “sRGB” device with the “Shot LUT” transform, and this will apply the `af-123.spild` LUT.

## Per-shot grades

Similarly to LUTs, we use a `.cc` file (an XML file containing a single ASC CDL `<ColorCorrection>`), or a `.ccc` file (an XML file containing multiple ASC CDL color corrections, each with a unique ID)

The `.cc` file is applied identically to a regular LUT files, using a `FileTransform`. For example, if we have `af-123.cc` in the `luts/` directory:

```
<ColorCorrection id="mygrade">
  <SOPNode>
    <Slope>2 1 1</Slope>
    <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
    <Power>1 1 1</Power>
  </SOPNode>
  <SATNode>
    <Saturation>1</Saturation>
  </SATNode>
</ColorCorrection>
```

We wish to apply this grade on the scene-linear image, then transform into log and apply a 3D print emulation LUT. Since this requires multiple transforms, instead of using a single `FileTransform`, we use a `GroupTransform` (which is just a collection of other transforms):

```
colorspaces:
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lnh
  family: ln
  bitdepth: 16f
  isdata: false

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lg10
  family: lg
  bitdepth: 10ui
  isdata: false
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg10.sp1d, interpolation: nearest}

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  family: srgb
  bitdepth: 8ui
  isdata: false
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
  children:
    - !<FileTransform> {src: ${SHOT}.cc}
    - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnh, dst: lg10}
    - !<FileTransform> {src: film_emulation.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
```

A `.cc` file is a collection of `<ColorCorrection>`'s. The only difference is when defining the `FileTransform`, you must specify the `cccid` key, which you can also construct using the context's environment variables. This means we could create a `grades.ccc` file containing the grade for all our shots:

```
<ColorCorrectionCollection xmlns="urn:ASC:CDL:v1.2">
  <ColorCorrection id="af-123">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>2 1 1</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1 1 1</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>1</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>
  <ColorCorrection id="mygrade">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>0.9 0.7 0.9</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1 1 1</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>1</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>
</ColorCorrectionCollection>
```

And the colorspace definition to utilise this:

```

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  family: srgb
  bitdepth: 8ui
  isdata: false
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
  children:
    - !<FileTransform> {src: grades.ccc, cccid: ${SHOT}}
    - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnh, dst: lg10}
    - !<FileTransform> {src: film_emulation.spi3d, interpolation: linear}

```

## A complete example

**Warning:** This is incomplete, the lnh\_graded space is likely wrong

The context feature can be used to accommodate complex grading pipelines. In this example, we have a “neutral grade” for each shot, to neutralise color casts and exposure variations, keeping plates consistent throughout a sequence.

To view a shot, we reverse this neutral grade, apply a “beauty grade”, then apply the display transform (the usual lin-to-log and a film emulation LUT)

We will use the same two example shots from before, af-123 (which is in the af sequence) and sg-432 (in the sg sequence). Imagine we have many shots in each sequence, so we wish to put the grades for each sequence in a separate file.

Using the same directory structure as above, in `~/showcfg/luts` we first create two grade files, `grades_af.ccc`:

```

<ColorCorrectionCollection xmlns="urn:ASC:CDL:v1.2">
  <ColorCorrection id="af/af-123/neutral">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>2 1 1</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1 1 1</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>1</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>

  <ColorCorrection id="af/af-123/beauty">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>1.5 1.2 0.9</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1 1 1</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>0.8</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>

  <!-- More ColorCorrection's... -->
</ColorCorrectionCollection>

```

And `grades_sg.ccc`:

```
<ColorCorrectionCollection xmlns="urn:ASC:CDL:v1.2">
  <ColorCorrection id="sg/sg-432/neutral">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>0.9 0.7 0.9</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1 1 1</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>1</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>

  <ColorCorrection id="sg/sg-432/beauty">
    <SOPNode>
      <Slope>1.1 0.9 0.8</Slope>
      <Offset>0 0 0</Offset>
      <Power>1.2 0.9 1.5</Power>
    </SOPNode>
    <SATNode>
      <Saturation>1</Saturation>
    </SATNode>
  </ColorCorrection>

  <!-- More ColorCorrection's.. -->
</ColorCorrectionCollection>
```

Next, we create the `config.ocio` file, containing a colorspace to define several colorspace:

- `lnh`, the scene-linear, 16-bit half-float space in which compositing will happen
- `lg10`, the 10-bit log space in which material will be received (e.g in `.dpx` format)
- `srgb8`, the display colorspace, for viewing the neutrally graded footage on an sRGB display
- `srgb8graded`, another display colorspace, for viewing the final “beauty grade”

```
ocio_profile_version: 1

# The directory relative to the location of this config
resource_path: "luts"

roles:
  scene_linear: lnh
  compositing_log: lgf

displays:
  # Reference to display transform, without reversing the working grade
  - !<Display> {device: sRGB, name: Film1D, colorspace: srgb8}

  # Reference to display, reversing the working grade, and applying
  # the beauty grade
  - !<Display> {device: sRGB, name: Film1DGraded, colorspace: srgb8graded}

colorspaces:

  # The source space, containing a log to scene-linear LUT
  - !<ColorSpace>
    name: lg10
    family: lg
    bitdepth: 10ui
```

```

isdata: false
to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg10.spild, interpolation: nearest}

# Our scene-linear space (reference space)
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lnh
  family: ln
  bitdepth: 16f
  isdata: false

# Neutrally graded scene-linear
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lnh_graded
  family: ln
  bitdepth: 16f
  isdata: false
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: "grades_${SEQ}.ccc", cccid: "${SEQ}/${SHOT}/neutral"}

# The display colorspace - how to get from scene-linear to sRGB
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  family: srgb
  bitdepth: 8ui
  isdata: false
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
    children:
      - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnh, dst: lg10}
      - !<FileTransform> {src: lg_to_srgb.spi3d, interpolation: linear}

# Display color, with neutral grade reversed, and beauty grade applied
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8graded
  family: srgb
  bitdepth: 8ui
  isdata: false
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
    children:
      - !<FileTransform> {src: "grades_${SEQ}.ccc", cccid: "${SEQ}/${SHOT}/neutral", direction: inv}
      - !<FileTransform> {src: "grades_${SEQ}.ccc", cccid: "${SEQ}/${SHOT}/beauty", direction: forw}
      - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnh, dst: srgb8}

```

### 3.4.4 Looks

A “look” is a named color transform, intended to modify the look of an image in a “creative” manner (as opposed to a colorspace definition which tends to be technically/mathematically defined). An OCIO look typically exists as a flexible addendum to a defined viewing transform.

Examples of looks may be a neutral grade, to be applied to film scans prior to VFX work, or a per-shot DI grade decided on by the director, to be applied just before the viewing transform.

Looks are defined similarly to colorspace definitions, you specify a name and a transform (possibly a GroupTransform containing several other transforms), and optionally an inverse transform.

Where looks differ from colorspace definitions are in how they are applied. With a look, you also specify the “process space” - the colorspace in which the transform is applied.

## Example configuration

### Step 1: Setup a Look

A look is a top-level OCIO configuration object. Conceptually, it's a named transform which gets applied in a specific color space. All of the changes below to the .ocio configs can be done manually by editing the text, or using the Python API.

Example look definition in a OCIO config:

```
looks:
- !<Look>
  name: di
  process_space: rclg16
  transform: !<FileTransform> {src: look_di.cc, interpolation: linear}
```

Example Python API call:

```
look = OCIO.Look(name='di', processSpace='rclg16')
t = OCIO.FileTransform('look_di.cc', interpolation=OCIO.Constants.INTERP_LINEAR)
look.setTransform(t)
config.addLook(look)
```

The src file can be any LUT type that OCIO supports (in this case, it's a file that contains the <ColorCorrection> element from a CDL file.) You could also specify a .3dl, etc.

Once you define a look in your configuration, you'll see that the OCIOLookTransform node in Nuke will provide the named option. In this example, the 'DI' look conceptually represents a look that will be applied in DI. Other look names we often used are 'onset', 'editorial', etc. The process\_space specifies that the transform should be applied in that space. In this example, if you provide linear input to the OCIOLookTransform node, the pixels will be converted to rclg16 before applying the look\_di.cc file-transform.

### Step 2: Update the Display to use a look.

You can specify an optional 'looks' tag in the View tag, which will apply the specified look(s). This lets application in the viewer provide options which use the looks.

Example YAML config:

```
displays:
  DLP:
    - !<View> {name: Raw, colorspace: nc10}
    - !<View> {name: Log, colorspace: rclg10}
    - !<View> {name: Film, colorspace: p3dci16}
    - !<View> {name: Film DI, colorspace: p3dci16, looks: di}
  sRGB:
    - !<View> {name: Raw, colorspace: nc10}
    - !<View> {name: Log, colorspace: rclg10}
    - !<View> {name: Film, colorspace: srgb10}
    - !<View> {name: Film DI, colorspace: srgb10, looks: di}
```

Example Python API call:

```
for name, colorspace, look in [ ['Raw', 'nc10', ''], ['Log', 'rclg10', ''],
                               ['Film', 'p3dci16', ''], ['Film DI', 'p3dci16', 'di'] ]:
    config.addDisplay('DLP', name, colorspace, look)

for name, colorspace, look in [ ['Raw', 'nc10', ''], ['Log', 'rclg10', ''],
                               ['Film', 'srgb10', ''], ['Film DI', 'srgb10', 'di'] ]:
    config.addDisplay('sRGB', name, colorspace, look)
```

Option for advanced users: The looks tag is actually a comma-delimited list supporting +/- modifiers. So if you wanted to specify a View that undoes DI, and then adds Onset, you could do “-di,+onset”.

### Step 3: Get per-shot looks supported.

In the top example, look\_di.cc, being a relative path location, will check each location in the config’s search\_path. The first file that’s found will be used.

So if your config contains:

```
search_path: luts
```

... then only the ‘luts’ subdir relative to the OCIO config will be checked.

However if you specify:

```
search_path: /shots/show/$SHOT/cc/data:luts
```

...the directory ‘shots/show/\$SHOT/cc/data/’ will be evaluated first, and only if not found will the ‘luts’ directory be checked.

env-vars, absolute, and relative paths can be used both in the config’s search\_path, as well as the View’s src specification.

Example:

```
- !<Look>
  name: di
  process_space: rclg16
  transform: !<FileTransform> {src: looks/$SHOT_di/current/look_$SHOT_di.cc, interpolation: linear}
```

Note that if the per-shot lut is not found, you can control whether a fallback LUT succeeds based on if it’s in the master location. You can also use this for multiple levels (show, shot, etc).

Advanced option: If some shots use .cc files, and some use 3d-luts currently there’s no simple way to handle this. What we’d recommend as a work around is to label all of your files with the same extension (such as .cc), and then rely on OCIO’s resilience to misnamed lut files to just load them anyways. Caveat: this only works in 1.0.1+ (commit sha-1: 6da3411ced)

Advanced option: In the Nuke OCIO nodes, you often want to preview looks ‘across shots’ (often for reference, same-as, etc). You can override the env-vars in each node, using the ‘Context’ menu. For example, if you know that \$SHOT is being used, in the context key1 you should specify ‘SHOT’, and the in value1 specify the shot to use (such as dev.lookdev). You can also use expressions, to say parse a shot name out of [metadata "input/filename"]

Advanced option: If you are writing your own OCIO integration code, getProcessor will fail if the per-shot lut is not found, and you may want to distinguish this error from other OCIO errors. For this reason, we provide OCIO::ExceptionMissingFile, which can be explicitly caught (this can then handled using OCIO::DisplayTransform::setLooksOverride()). I’d expect image flipbook applications to use this approach.

## 3.4.5 Config syntax

OpenColorIO is primarily controlled by a central configuration file, usually named config.ocio. This page will only describe how to *syntactically* write this OCIO config - e.g. what transforms are available, or what sections are optional.

This page alone will not help you to write a useful config file! See the *Configurations* section for examples of complete, practical configs, and discussion of how they fit within a facilities workflow.

### YAML basics

This config file is a YAML document, so it is important to have some basic knowledge of this format.

The [Wikipedia article on YAML](#) has a good overview.

OCIO configs typically use a small subset of YAML, so looking at existing configs is probably the quickest way to familiarise yourself (just remember the indentation is important!)

### Checking for errors

Use the `ociocheck` command line tool to validate your config. It will inform you of YAML-syntax errors, but more importantly it performs various OCIO-specific “sanity checks”.

For more information, see the overview of *ociocheck*

### Config sections

#### `ocio_profile_version`

Required.

By convention, the profile starts with `ocio_profile_version`.

This is an integer, specifying which version of the OCIO config syntax is used.

Currently there is only one OCIO profile version, so the value is always 1 (one)

```
ocio_profile_version: 1
```

#### `search_path`

Optional. Default is an empty search path.

`search_path` is a colon-separated list of directories. Each directory is checked in order to locate a file (e.g. a LUT).

This works is very similar to how the UNIX `$PATH` env-var works for executables.

A common directory structure for a config is:

```
config.ocio
luts/
  lg10_to_lnf.spild
  lg10_to_p3.3dl
```

For this, we would set `search_path` as follows:

```
search_path: "luts"
```

In a colorspace definition, we might have a `FileTransform` which refers to the LUT `lg10_to_lnf.spild`. It will look in the `luts` directory, relative to the `config.ocio` file's location.

Paths can be relative (to the directory containing `config.ocio`), or absolute (e.g. `/mnt/path/to/my/luts`)

Multiple paths can be specified, including a mix of relative and absolute paths. Each path is separated with a colon :

```
search_path: "/mnt/path/to/my/luts:luts"
```

Finally, paths can reference OCIO's context variables:

```
search_path: "/shots/show/$SHOT/cc/data:luts"
```

This allows for some clever setups, for example per-shot LUT's with fallbacks to a default. For more information, see the examples in *Looks*

### **strictparsing**

Optional. Valid values are `true` and `false`. Default is `true` (assuming a config is present):

```
strictparsing: true
```

OCIO provides a mechanism for applications to extract the colorspace from a filename (the `parseColorSpaceFromString` API method)

So for a file like `example_render_v001_lnf.0001.exr` it will determine the colorspace `lnf` (it being the right-most substring containing a colorspace name)

However, if the colorspace cannot be determined and `strictparsing: true`, it will produce an error.

If the colorspace cannot be determined and `strictparsing: false`, the default role will be used. This allows unhandled images to operate in “non-color managed” mode.

Application authors should note: when no config is present (e.g. via `$OCIO`), the default internal profile specifies `strictparsing=false`, and the default color space role is `raw`. This means that ANY string passed to OCIO will be parsed as the default `raw`. This is nice because in the absence of a config, the behavior from your application perspective is that the library essentially falls back to “non-color managed”.

### **luma**

Deprecated. Optional. Default is the Rec.709 primaries specified by the ASC:

```
luma: [0.2126, 0.7152, 0.0722]
```

These are the luminance coefficients, which can be used by OCIO-supporting applications when adjusting saturation (e.g. in an image-viewer when displaying a single channel)

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**Note:** While the API method is not yet officially deprecated, `luma` is a legacy option from Imageworks' internal, closed-source predecessor to OCIO.

The `luma` value is not respected anywhere within the OCIO library. Also very few (if any) applications supporting OCIO will respect the value either.

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### **roles**

Required.

A “role” is an alias to a colorspace, which can be used by applications to perform task-specific color transforms without requiring the user to select a colorspace by name.

For example, the Nuke node `OCIOLogConvert`: instead of requiring the user to select the appropriate log colorspace, the node performs a transform between `scene_linear` and `compositing_log`, and the OCIO config specifies the project-appropriate colorspace. This simplifies life for artists, as they don't have to remember which is the correct log colorspace for the current project - the `OCIOLogConvert` always does the correct thing.

A typical role definition looks like this, taken from the *spi-vfx* example configuration:

```
roles:
  color_picking: cpf
  color_timing: lg10
  compositing_log: lgf
  data: ncf
  default: ncf
  matte_paint: vd8
  reference: lnf
  scene_linear: lnf
  texture_paint: dt16
```

All values in this example (such as `cpf`, `lg10` and `ncf`) refer to colorspaces defined later the config, in the `colorspaces` section.

A description of all roles. Note that applications may interpret or use these differently.

- `color_picking` - colors in a color-selection UI can be displayed in this space, while selecting colors in a different working space (e.g. `scene_linear` or `texture_paint`)
- `color_timing` - colorspace used for applying color corrections, e.g. user-specified grade within an image viewer (if the application uses the `DisplayTransform::setDisplayCC` API method)
- `compositing_log` - a log colorspace used for certain processing operations (plate resizing, pulling keys, degrain, etc). Used by the `OCIOLogConvert` Nuke node
- `data` - used when writing data outputs such as normals, depth data, and other “non color” data. The colorspace in this role should typically have `data: true` specified, so no color transforms are applied
- `default` - when `strictparsing: false`, this colorspace is used as a fallback. If not defined, the `scene_linear` role is used
- `matte_paint` - colorspace which matte-paintings are created in (for more information, *see the guide on baking ICC profiles for Photoshop*, and *spi-vfx*)
- `reference` - the colorspace against which the other colorspaces are defined
- `scene_linear` - the scene-referred linear-to-light colorspace, often the same as the reference space (*see:ref:faq-terminology*)
- `texture_paint` - similar to `matte_paint` but for painting textures for 3D objects (see the description of texture painting in *SPI's pipeline*)

### **displays**

Required.

This section defines all the display devices which will be used. For example you might have a sRGB display device for artist workstations, a DCIP3 display device for the screening room projector.

Each display device has a number of “views”. These views provide different ways to display the image on the selected display device. Examples of common views are:

- “Film” to emulate the final projected result on the current display
- “Log” to send log-space pixel values directly to the display, resulting in a “lifted” image useful for checking black-levels.
- “Raw” when assigned a colorspace with `raw: yes` set will show the unaltered image, useful for tech-checking images

An example of the `displays` section from the *spi-vfx* config:

```

displays:
  DCIP3:
    - !<View> {name: Film, colorspace: p3dci8}
    - !<View> {name: Log, colorspace: lg10}
    - !<View> {name: Raw, colorspace: nc10}
  sRGB:
    - !<View> {name: Film, colorspace: srgb8}
    - !<View> {name: Log, colorspace: lg10}
    - !<View> {name: Raw, colorspace: nc10}
    - !<View> {name: Film, colorspace: srgb8}

```

All the colorspace (p3dci8, srgb8 etc) refer to colorspace defined later in the config.

Unless the `active_displays` and `active_views` sections are defined, the first display and first view will be the default.

### active\_displays

Optional. Default is for all displays to be visible, and to respect order of items in `displays` section.

You can choose what display devices to make visible in UI's, and change the order in which they appear.

Given the example `displays` block in the previous section - to make the sRGB device appear first:

```
active_displays: [sRGB, DCIP3]
```

To display only the DCIP3 device, simply remove sRGB:

```
active_displays: [DCIP3]
```

The value can be overridden by the `OCIO_ACTIVE_DISPLAYS` env-var. This allows you to make the sRGB the only active display, like so:

```
active_displays: [sRGB]
```

Then on a review machine with a DCI P3 projector, set the following environment variable, making DCIP3 the only visible display device:

```
export OCIO_ACTIVE_DISPLAYS="DCIP3"
```

Or specify multiple active displays, by separating each with a colon:

```
export OCIO_ACTIVE_DISPLAYS="DCIP3:sRGB"
```

### active\_views

Optional. Default is for all views to be visible, and to respect order of the views under the display.

Works identically to `active_displays`, but controls which *views* are visible.

Overridden by the `OCIO_ACTIVE_VIEWS` env-var:

```
export OCIO_ACTIVE_VIEWS="Film:Log:Raw"
```

### looks

Optional.

This section defines a list of “looks”. A look is a color transform defined similarly to a colorspace, with a few important differences.

For example, a look could be defined for a “first pass DI beauty grade”, which is used to view shots with a rough approximation of the final grade.

When the look is defined in the config, you must specify a name, the color transform, and the colorspace in which the grade is performed (the “process space”). You can optionally specify an inverse transform for when the look transform is not trivially invertible (e.g. it applies a 3D LUT)

When an application applies a look, OCIO ensures the grade is applied in the correct colorspace (by converting from the input colorspace to the process space, applies the look’s transform, and converts the image to the output colorspace)

Here is a simple `looks:` section, which defines two looks:

```
looks:
- !<Look>
  name: beauty
  process_space: lnf
  transform: !<CDLTransform> {slope: [1, 2, 1]}

- !<Look>
  name: neutral
  process_space: lg10
  transform: !<FileTransform> {src: 'neutral- $\{\text{SHOT}\}$ - $\{\text{SEQ}\}$ .csp', interpolation: linear }
  inverse_transform: !<FileTransform> {src: 'neutral- $\{\text{SHOT}\}$ - $\{\text{SEQ}\}$ -reverse.csp', interpolation: 1
```

Here, the “beauty” look applies a simple, static ASC CDL grade, making the image very green (for some artistic reason!). The beauty look is applied in the scene-linear `lnf` colorspace (this colorspace is defined elsewhere in the config).

Next is a definition for a “neutral” look, which applies a shot-specific CSP LUT, dynamically finding the correct LUT based on the SEQ and SHOT *context variables*.

For example if SEQ=ab and SHOT=1234, this look will search for a LUT named `neutral-ab-1234.csp` in locations specified in `search_path`.

The `process_space` here is `lg10`. This means when the look is applied, OCIO will perform the following steps:

- Transform the image from it’s current colorspace to the `lg10` process space
- Apply apply the FileTransform (which applies the grade LUT)
- Transform the graded image from the process space to the output colorspace

The “beauty” look specifies the optional `inverse_transform`, because in this example the neutral CSP files contain a 3D LUT. For many transforms, OCIO will automatically calculate the inverse transform (as with the “beauty” look), however with a 3D LUT the inverse transform needs to be defined.

If the look was applied in reverse, and `inverse_transform` as not specified, then OCIO would give a helpful error message. This is commonly done for non-invertible looks

As in colorspace definitions, the transform can be specified as a series of transforms using the `GroupTransform`, for example:

```
looks:
- !<Look>
  name: beauty
  process_space: lnf
  transform: !<GroupTransform>
    children:
      - !<CDLTransform> {slope: [1, 2, 1]}
      - !<FileTransform> {src: beauty.spild, interpolation: nearest}
```

## colorspaces

Required.

This section is a list of all the colorspaces known to OCIO. A colorspace can be referred to elsewhere within the config (including other colorspace definitions), and are used within OCIO-supporting applications.

**to\_reference and from\_reference** Here is an example of a very simple `colorspaces` section, modified from the *spi-vfx* example config:

```
colorspaces:
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lnf
  bitdepth: 32f
  description: |
    lnf : linear show space

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lg16
  bitdepth: 16ui
  description: |
    lg16 : conversion from film log
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg16_to_lnf.sp1d, interpolation: nearest}
```

First the `lnf` colorspace (short for linear float) is used as our reference colorspace. The name can be anything, but the idea of a reference colorspace is an important convention within OCIO: **all other colorspaces are defined as transforms either to or from this colorspace.**

The `lg16` colorspace is a 16-bit log colorspace (see *spi-vfx* for an explanation of this colorspace). It has a name, a bitdepth and a description.

The `lg16` colorspace is defined as a transform from `lg16` to the reference colorspace (`lnf`). That transform is to apply the LUT `lg16_to_lnf.sp1d`. This LUT has an input of `lg16` integers and outputs linear 32-bit float values

Since the 1D LUT is automatically invertable by OCIO, we can use this colorspace both to convert `lg16` images to `lnf`, and `lnf` images to `lg16`

Importantly, because of the reference colorspace concept, we can convert images from `lg16` to the reference colorspace, and then on to any other colorspace.

Here is another example colorspace, which is defined using `from_reference`.

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  bitdepth: 8ui
  description: |
    srgb8 :rgb display space for the srgb standard.
  from_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: srgb8.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
```

We use `from_reference` here because we have a LUT which transforms from the reference colorspace (`lnf` in this example) to sRGB.

In this case `srgb8.spi3d` is a complex 3D LUT which cannot be inverted, so it is considered a “display only” colorspace. If we did have a second 3D LUT to apply the inverse transform, we can specify both `to_reference` and `from_reference`

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
```

```
bitdepth: 8ui
description: |
    srgb8 :rgb display space for the srgb standard.
from_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lnf_to_srgb8.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: srgb8_to_lnf.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
```

**Using multiple transforms** The previous example colorspace all used a single transform each, however it is often useful to use multiple transforms to define a colorspace.

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  bitdepth: 8ui
  description: |
    srgb8 :rgb display space for the srgb standard.
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
  children:
    - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnf, dst: lg16}
    - !<FileTransform> {src: lg16_to_srgb8.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
```

Here to get from the reference colorspace, we first use the ColorSpaceTransform to convert from lnf to lg16, then apply our 3D LUT on the log-encoded images.

This primarily demonstrates the meta-transform GroupTransform: a transform which simply composes two or more transforms together into one. Anything that accepts a transform like FileTransform or CDLTransform will also accept a GroupTransform

It is also worth noting the ColorSpaceTransform, which transforms between lnf and lg16 colorspace (which are defined within the current config).

**Example transform steps** This section explains how OCIO internally applies all the transforms. It can be skipped over if you understand how the reference colorspace works.

```
colorspaces:
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lnf
  bitdepth: 32f
  description: |
    lnf : linear show space

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lg16
  bitdepth: 16ui
  description: |
    lg16 : conversion from film log
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg16.sp1d, interpolation: nearest}

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  bitdepth: 8ui
  description: |
    srgb8 :rgb display space for the srgb standard.
  from_reference: !<GroupTransform>
  children:
    - !<ColorSpaceTransform> {src: lnf, dst: lg16}
    - !<FileTransform> {src: lg16_to_srgb8.spi3d, interpolation: linear}
```

To explain how this all ties together to display an image, say we have an image in the `lnf` colorspace (e.g. a linear EXR) and wish to convert it to `srgb8` - the transform steps are:

- `ColorSpaceTransform` is applied, converting from `lnf` to `lg16`
- The `FileTransform` is applied, converting from `lg16` to `srgb8`.

A more complex example: we have an image in the `lg16` colorspace, and convert to `srgb8` (using the `lg16` definition from earlier, or the `spi-vfx` config):

First OCIO converts from `lg16` to the reference space, using the transform defined in `lg16`'s `to_reference`:

- `FileTransform` applies the `lg16.spi1d`

With the image now in the reference space, `srgb8`'s transform is applied:

- `ColorSpaceTransform` to transform from `lnf` to `lg16`
- `FileTransform` applies the `lg16_to_srgb8.spi3d` LUT.

---

**Note:** OCIO has a transform optimizer which removes redundant steps, and combines similar transforms into one operation.

In the previous example, the complete transform chain would be “`lg16 -> lnf, lnf -> lg16, lg16 -> srgb8`”. However the optimizer will reduce this to “`lg16 -> srgb8`”.

---

**bitdepth** Optional. Default: `32f`

Specify an appropriate bitdepth for the colorspace, and applications can use this to automatically output images in the correct bit-depth.

Valid options are:

- `8ui`
- `10ui`
- `12ui`
- `14ui`
- `16ui`
- `32ui`
- `16f`
- `32f`

The number is in bits. `ui` stands for unsigned integer. `f` stands for floating point.

Example:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: srgb8
  bitdepth: 8ui

  from_reference: [...]
```

**isdata:** Optional. Default: `false`. Boolean.

The `isdata` key on a colorspace informs OCIO that this colorspace is used for non-color data channels, such as the “normals” output of a multipass 3D render.

Here is example “non-color” colorspace from the *spi-vfx* config:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: ncf
  family: nc
  equalitygroup:
  bitdepth: 32f
  description: |
    ncf :nc,Non-color used to store non-color data such as depth or surface normals
  isdata: true
  allocation: uniform
```

**equalitygroup:** Optional.

If two colorspace are in the “equality group”, transforms between them are considered non-operations.

You might have multiple colorspace which are identical, but operate at different bit-depths.

For example, see the *lg10* and *lg16* colorspace in the *spi-vfx* config. If loading a *lg10* image and converting to *lg16*, no transform is required. This is of course faster, but may cause an unexpected increase in precision (e.g. it skip potential clamping caused by a LUT)

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lg16
  equalitygroup: lg
  bitdepth: 16ui
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg16.spild, interpolation: nearest}

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: lg10
  equalitygroup: lg
  bitdepth: 10ui
  to_reference: !<FileTransform> {src: lg10.spild, interpolation: nearest}
```

**Do not put different colorspace in the same equality group.** For logical grouping of “similar” colorspace, use the family option.

**family:** Optional.

Allows for logical grouping of colorspace within a UI.

For example, a series of “log” colorspace could be put in one “family”. Within a UI like the Nuke OCIOColorSpace node, these will be grouped together.

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: kodaklog
  family: log
  equalitygroup: kodaklog
  [...]

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: si2klog
  family: log
  equalitygroup: si2klog
  [...]

- !<ColorSpace>
  name: rec709
  family: display
```

```
equalitygroup: rec709
[...]
```

Unlike `equalitygroup`, the `family` has no impact on image processing.

**allocation and allocationvars** Optional.

These two options are used when OCIO transforms are applied on the GPU.

It is also used to automatically generate a “shaper LUT” when *baking LUT’s* unless one is explicitly specified (not all output formats utilise this)

For a detailed description, see *How to Configure ColorSpace Allocation*

Example of a “0-1” colorspace

```
allocation: uniform
allocationvars: [0.0, 1.0]
```

```
allocation: lg2
allocationvars: [-15, 6]
```

**description** Optional.

A human-readable description of the colorspace.

The YAML syntax allows for either single-line descriptions:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: kodaklog
  [...]
  description: A concise description of the kodaklog colorspace.
```

Or multiple-lines:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: kodaklog
  [...]
  description:
    This is a multi-line description of the kodaklog colorspace,
    to demonstrate the YAML syntax for doing so.

    Here is the second line. The first one will be unwrapped into
    a single line, as will this one.
```

It’s common to use literal `|` block syntax to preserve all newlines:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: kodaklog
  [...]
  description: |
    This is one line.
    This is the second.
```

## Available transforms

### AllocationTransform

Transforms from reference space to the range specified by the `vars` :

Keys:

- `allocation`
- `vars`
- `direction`

### CDLTransform

Applies an ASC CDL compliant grade

Keys:

- `slope`
- `offset`
- `power`
- `sat`
- `direction`

### ColorSpaceTransform

Transforms from `src` colorspace to `dst` colorspace.

Keys:

- `src`
- `dst`
- `direction`

### ExponentTransform

Raises pixel values to a given power (often referred to as “gamma”)

```
!<ExponentTransform> {value: [1.8, 1.8, 1.8, 1]}
```

Keys:

- `value`
- `direction`

### FileTransform

Applies a lookup table (LUT)

Keys:

- `src`

- cccid
- interpolation
- direction

### GroupTransform

Combines multiple transforms into one.

colorspaces:

```
- !<ColorSpace>
  name: adx10

  [...]

  to_reference: !<GroupTransform>
  children:
    - !<FileTransform> {src: adx_adx10_to_cdd.spimtx}
    - !<FileTransform> {src: adx_cdd_to_cid.spimtx}
```

A group transform is accepted anywhere a “regular” transform is.

### LogTransform

Applies a mathematical logarithm with a given base to the pixel values.

Keys:

- base

### LookTransform

Applies a named look

### MatrixTransform

Applies a matrix transform to the pixel values

Keys:

- matrix
- offset
- direction

### TruelightTransform

Applies a transform from a Truelight profile.

Keys:

- config\_root

- profile
- camera
- input\_display
- recorder
- print
- lamp
- output\_camera
- display
- cube\_input
- direction

---

**Note:** This transform requires OCIO to be compiled with the Truelight SDK present.

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## 3.5 Developer Guide

Some information on contributing to OCIO:

### 3.5.1 Getting started

#### Checking Out The Codebase

The master code repository is available on Github: <http://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO>

For those unfamiliar with git, the wonderful part about it is that even though only a limited number of people have write access to the master repository, anyone is free to create, and even check in, changes to their own local git repository. Your local changes will not automatically be pushed back to the master repository, so everyone feel free to informally play around with the codebase. Also - unlike svn - when you download the git repository you have a full copy of the project's history (including revision history, logs, etc), so the majority of code changes you will make, including commits, do not require network server access.

The first step is to install git on your system. For those new to the world of git, GitHub has an excellent tutorial stepping you through the process, available at: <http://help.github.com/>

To check out a read-only version of the repository (no GitHub signup required):

```
git clone git://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO.git ocio
```

For write-access, you must first register for a GitHub account (free). Then, you must create a local fork of the OpenColorIO repository by visiting <http://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO> and clicking the "Fork" icon. If you get hung up on this, further instructions on this process are available at <http://help.github.com/forking/>

To check out a read-write version of the repository (GitHub acct required):

```
git clone git@github.com:$USER/OpenColorIO.git ocio
```

```
Initialized empty Git repository in /mcp/ocio/.git/  
remote: Counting objects: 2220, done.  
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (952/952), done.  
remote: Total 2220 (delta 1434), reused 1851 (delta 1168)
```

```
Receiving objects: 100% (2220/2220), 2.89 MiB | 2.29 MiB/s, done.  
Resolving deltas: 100% (1434/1434), done.
```

Both read + read/write users should then add the Imageworks (SPI) master branch as a remote. This will allow you to more easily fetch updates as they become available:

```
cd ocio  
git remote add upstream git://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO.git
```

Optionally, you may then add any additional users who have individual working forks (just as you've done). This will allow you to track, view, and potentially merge intermediate changes before they're been pushed into the main trunk. (For really bleeding edge folks). For example, to add Jeremy Selan's working fork:

```
git remote add js git://github.com/jeremyselán/OpenColorIO.git
```

You should then do a git fetch, and git merge (detailed below) to download the remote branches you've just added.

## Reference Build Environment

To aid new developers to the project and provide a baseline standard, OCIO provides a reference build environment through Docker. Docker essentially is a container that consists of both a Linux distro and the dependencies needed to run a client application. This is typically used for deploying apps and services to servers, but we are using it to provide an isolated development environment to build and test OCIO with. With this environment you are guaranteed to be able to compile OCIO and run its non-GUI command line applications.

For more information on Docker, start here: <https://docs.docker.com/engine/docker-overview/>

In order to run the Docker environment you will have to build it from the Dockerfile provided in the repo directory:

```
OpenColorIO/shared/docker
```

Run this command in order to build the Docker image (aprox. 20min):

```
docker build . -t ocio:centos7_gcc48 -f dockerfile_centos7_gcc48
```

You can then mount the current OCIO directory and compile using the Docker image with:

```
docker run --volume $PWD/../../:/src/ociosrc -t ocio:centos7_gcc48 bash -c 'mkdir /build && cd /build
```

## Merging changes

More detailed guide coming soon, for now, see <http://help.github.com/remotes/>

### 3.5.2 Coding guidelines

There are only two important rules:

1. When making changes, conform to the style and conventions of the surrounding code.
2. Strive for clarity, even if that means occasionally breaking the guidelines. Use your head and ask for advice if your common sense seems to disagree with the conventions.

### File Conventions

C++ implementation should be named \*.cpp. Headers should be named \*.h. All source files should begin with the copyright and license, which can be cut and pasted from other source files). For NEW source files, please do change the copyright year to the present. However DO NOT edit existing files just to update the copyright year, it just creates pointless deltas and offers no increased protection

### Line Length

Each line of text in your code should be at most 80 characters long.

Generally the only exceptions are for comments with example commands or URLs - to make cut and paste easier.

The other exception is for those rare cases where letting a line be longer (and wrapping on an 80-character window) is actually a better and clearer alternative than trying to split it into two lines. Sometimes this happens, but it's rare.

DO NOT alter somebody else's code to re-wrap lines (or change whitespace) just because you found something that violates the rules. Let the group/author/leader know, and resist the temptation to change it yourself.

### Formatting

- Indent 4 spaces at a time, and use actual spaces, not tabs. This is particularly critical on python code. The only exception currently allowed in within Makefiles, where tab characters are sometimes required.
- Opening brace on the line following the condition or loop.
- The contents of namespaces are not indented.
- Function names should be on the same line as their return values.
- Function calls should NOT have a space between the function name and the opening parenthesis. A single space should be added after each required comma.

Here is a short code fragment that shows these concepts in action:

```
namespace
{

int MungeMyNumbers(int a, int b)
{
    int x = a + b;

    if (a == 0 || b==0)
    {
        x += 1;
        x += 2;
    }
    else
    {
        for (int i=0; i<16; ++i)
        {
            x += a * i;
        }
    }

    return x;
}
```

```
} // namespace
```

## Misc. Rules

- Avoid macros when possible.
- Anonymous namespaces are preferred when sensible.
- Variable names should be camelCase, as well as longAndExplicit.
- Avoid long function implementations. Break up work into small, manageable chunks.
- Use “TODO:” comments for code that is temporary, a short-term solution, or good-enough but not perfect. This is vastly preferred to leaving subtle corner cases undocumented.
- Always initialize variables on construction.
- Do not leave dead code paths around. (This is what revision history is for)
- Includes should always be ordered as follows: C library, C++ library, other libraries’ .h, OCIO public headers, OCIO private headers. Includes within a category should be alphabetized.
- The C++ “using” directive is not allowed.
- Static / global variables should be avoided at all costs.
- Use const whenever it makes sense to do so.
- The use of Boost is not allowed, except for `unit_test_framework` and `shared_ptr`.
- Default function arguments are not allowed.

## Bottom Line

When in doubt, look elsewhere in the code base for examples of similar structures and try to format your code in the same manner.

Portions of this document have been blatantly lifted from [OpenImageIO](#), and [Google](#).

## 3.5.3 Documentation guidelines

OpenColorIO is documented using reStructuredText, processed by Sphinx.

The documentation primarily lives in the `docs/` folder, within the main OpenColorIO repository.

The rST source for the C++ API documentation is extracted from comments in the public header files in `export/`

The Python API documentation is extracted from dummy `.py` files within the `src/pyglue/DocStrings/` folder

## Building the docs

Just like a *regular build from source*, but specify the `-D OCIO_BUILD_DOCS=yes` argument to CMake.

Then run the `make doc` target. The default HTML output will be created in `build_dir/docs/build-html/`

Note that CMake must be run before each invocation of `make` to copy the edited rST files.

Initial run:

```
$ mkdir build && cd build
```

Then after each change you wish to preview:

```
$ cmake -D OCIO_BUILD_DOCS=yes .. && make doc
```

## Basics

- Try to keep the writing style consistent with surrounding docs.
- Fix all warnings output by the Sphinx build process. An example of such a warning is:

```
checking consistency... [...] /build/docs/userguide/writing_configs.rst:: WARNING: document isn't
```

- Use the following hierarchy of header decorations:

```
Level 1 heading
=====
```

```
Level 2 heading
*****
```

```
Level 3 heading
+++++
```

```
Level 4 heading
-----
```

- To add a new page, create a new `.rst` file in the appropriate location. In that directory's `index.rst`, add the new file to the `toctree` directive.

The new file should contain a top-level heading (decorated with `=====` underline), and an appropriate label for referencing from other pages. For example, a new file `docs/userguide/baking_luts.rst` might start like this:

```
.. _userguide-bakingluts:
```

```
Baking LUT's
=====
```

```
In order to bake a LUT, ...
```

## Emacs rST mode

Emacs' includes a mode for editing rST files. It is documented on [the docutils site](#)

One of the features it includes is readjusting the hierarchy of heading decorations (the underlines for different heading levels). To configure this to use OCIO's convention, put the following in your `.emacs.d/init.el`:

```
(setq rst-preferred-decorations
      '( (?= simple 0)
        (?* simple 0)
        (?+ simple 0)
        (?- simple 0) ))
```

### 3.5.4 Submitting Changes

## Code Review

Ask early, and ask often!

All new contributors are highly encouraged to post development ideas, questions, or any other thoughts to the *Mailing Lists* before starting to code. This greatly improves the process and quality of the resulting library. Code reviews (particularly for non-trivial changes) are typically far simpler if the reviewers are aware of a development task beforehand. (And, who knows? Maybe they will have implementation suggestions as well!)

## GitHub Basics

This will outline the general mechanics of working with git and GitHub to successfully contribute to the project. If any of the terms used are unfamiliar to you please do a quick search and then ask any of the contributors for assistance.

- Fork the Imageworks OpenColorIO repository
- Activate Travis-CI and Appveyor for your fork
- Clone your fork to your local workspace:

```
git clone https://github.com/$USER/OpenColorIO.git
```

- cd into the cloned directory
- Connect your cloned repo to the original upstream repository as a remote:

```
git remote add upstream https://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO.git
```

- You should now have two remotes:

```
git remote -v
origin https://github.com/$USER/OpenColorIO (fetch)
origin https://github.com/$USER/OpenColorIO (fetch)
upstream https://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO (fetch)
upstream https://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO (push)
```

- Pull the latest changes from upstream:

```
git checkout master
git pull upstream master
```

- Create a branch for your contribution:

```
git checkout -b myFeature
```

- Check if it successfully compiles and passes all unit tests
- Commit your changes:

```
git add .
git commit -m 'Implement my feature'
```

- Push your changes back to origin (your fork):

```
git push origin myFeature
```

- Ensure that all CI tests complete on Travis-CI and Appveyor
- Visit your fork in a web browser on github.com
- When ready click the “New pull request” button, make sure it can merge, and add appropriate comments and notes

- Wait for code review and comments from the community

### 3.5.5 Issues

Please visit <http://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO/issues> for an up to date listing of bugs, feature requests etc

Instructions on using OCIO:

### 3.5.6 Usage Examples

Some examples of using the OCIO API, via both C++ and the Python bindings.

For further examples, see the `src/apps/` directory in the git repository

#### Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU

This describes what code is used to convert from a specified source `ColorSpace` to a specified destination `ColorSpace`. If you are using the OCIO Nuke plugins, the `OCIOColorSpace` node performs these steps internally.

1. **Get the Config.** This represents the entirety of the current color “universe”. It can either be initialized by your app at startup or created explicitly. In common usage, you can just query `GetCurrentConfig()`, which will auto initialize on first use using the `OCIO` environment variable.
2. **Get Processor from the Config.** A processor corresponds to a ‘baked’ color transformation. You specify two arguments when querying a processor: the `ColorSpace` you are coming from, and the `ColorSpace` you are going to. `ColorSpaces` can be either explicitly named strings (defined by the current configuration) or can be `Roles` (essentially `ColorSpace` aliases) which are consistent across configurations. Constructing a `Processor` object is likely a blocking operation (thread-wise) so care should be taken to do this as infrequently as is sensible. Once per render ‘setup’ would be appropriate, once per scanline would be inappropriate.
3. **Convert your image, using the Processor.** Once you have the processor, you can apply the color transformation using the “apply” function. In `C++`, you apply the processing in-place, by first wrapping your image in an `ImageDesc` class. This approach is intended to be used in high performance applications, and can be used on multiple threads (per scanline, per tile, etc). In `Python` you call “applyRGB” / “applyRGBA” on your sequence of pixels. Note that in both languages, it is far more efficient to call “apply” on batches of pixels at a time.

#### C++

```
#include <OpenColorIO/OpenColorIO.h>
namespace OCIO = OCIO_NAMESPACE;

try
{
    OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();
    ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor(OCIO::ROLE_COMPOSITING_LOG,
                                                         OCIO::ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR);

    OCIO::PackedImageDesc img(imageData, w, h, 4);
    processor->apply(img);
}
catch(OCIO::Exception & exception)
{
    std::cerr << "OpenColorIO Error: " << exception.what() << std::endl;
}
}
```

## Python

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO

try:
    config = OCIO.GetCurrentConfig()
    processor = config.getProcessor(OCIO.Constants.ROLE_COMPOSITING_LOG,
                                    OCIO.Constants.ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR)

    # Apply the color transform to the existing RGBA pixel data
    img = processor.applyRGBA(img)
except Exception, e:
    print "OpenColorIO Error", e
```

## Displaying an image, using the CPU (simple ColorSpace conversion)

Converting an image for display is similar to a normal color space conversion. The only difference is that one has to first determine the name of the display (destination) ColorSpace by querying the config with the device name and transform name.

1. **Get the Config.** See *Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU* for details.
2. **Lookup the display ColorSpace.** The display ColorSpace is queried from the configuration using `Config::getDisplayColorSpaceName()`. If the user has specified value for the device or the displayTransformName, use them. If these values are unknown default values can be queried (as shown below).
3. **Get the processor from the Config.** See *Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU* for details.
4. **Convert your image, using the processor.** See *Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU* for details.

## C++

```
#include <OpenColorIO/OpenColorIO.h>
namespace OCIO = OCIO_NAMESPACE;

OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();

// If the user hasn't picked a display, use the defaults...
const char * device = config->getDefaultDisplayDeviceName();
const char * transformName = config->getDefaultDisplayTransformName(device);
const char * displayColorSpace = config->getDisplayColorSpaceName(device, transformName);

ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor(OCIO::ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR,
                                                    displayColorSpace);

OCIO::PackedImageDesc img(imageData, w, h, 4);
processor->apply(img);
```

## Python

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
```

```
config = OCIO.GetCurrentConfig()

device = config.getDefaultDisplayDeviceName()
transformName = config.getDefaultDisplayTransformName(device)
displayColorSpace = config.getDisplayColorSpaceName(device, transformName)

processor = config.getProcessor(OCIO.Constants.ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR, displayColorSpace)

processor.applyRGB(imageData)
```

### Displaying an image, using the CPU (Full Display Pipeline)

This alternative version allows for a more complex displayTransform, allowing for all of the controls typically added to real-world viewer interfaces. For example, options are allowed to control which channels (red, green, blue, alpha, luma) are visible, as well as allowing for optional color corrections (such as an exposure offset in scene linear). If you are using the OCIO Nuke plugins, the OCIODisplay node performs these steps internally.

1. **Get the Config.** See *Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU* for details.
2. **Lookup the display ColorSpace.** See *Displaying an image, using the CPU (simple ColorSpace conversion)* for details
3. **Create a new DisplayTransform.** This transform will embody the full ‘display’ pipeline you wish to control. The user is required to call `DisplayTransform::setInputColorSpaceName()` to set the input ColorSpace, as well as `DisplayTransform::setDisplayColorSpaceName()` (with the results of `Config::getDisplayColorSpaceName()`).
4. **Set any additional DisplayTransform options.** If the user wants to specify a channel swizzle, a scene-linear exposure offset, an artistic look, this is the place to add it. See below for an example. Note that although we provide recommendations for display, any transforms are allowed to be added into any of the slots. So if for your app you want to add 3 transforms into a particular slot (chained together), you are free to wrap them in a `GroupTransform` and set it accordingly!
5. **Get the processor from the Config.** The processor is then queried from the config passing the new `DisplayTransform` as the argument. Once the processor has been returned, the original `DisplayTransform` is no longer necessary to hold onto. (Though if you’d like to for re-use, there is no problem doing so).
6. **Convert your image, using the processor.** See *Applying a basic ColorSpace transform, using the CPU* for details.

### C++

```
// Step 1: Get the config
OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();

// Step 2: Lookup the display ColorSpace
const char * device = config->getDefaultDisplayDeviceName();
const char * transformName = config->getDefaultDisplayTransformName(device);
const char * displayColorSpace = config->getDisplayColorSpaceName(device, transformName);

// Step 3: Create a DisplayTransform, and set the input and display ColorSpaces
// (This example assumes the input is scene linear. Adapt as needed.)

OCIO::DisplayTransformRcPtr transform = OCIO::DisplayTransform::Create();
transform->setInputColorSpaceName( OCIO::ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR );
```

```

transform->setDisplayColorSpaceName( displayColorSpace );

// Step 4: Add custom transforms for a 'canonical' Display Pipeline

// Add an fstop exposure control (in SCENE_LINEAR)
float gain = powf(2.0f, exposure_in_stops);
const float slope3f[] = { gain, gain, gain };
OCIO::CDLTransformRcPtr cc = OCIO::CDLTransform::Create();
cc->setSlope(slope3f);
transform->setLinearCC(cc);

// Add a Channel view 'swizzle'

// 'channelHot' controls which channels are viewed.
int channelHot[4] = { 1, 1, 1, 1 }; // show rgb
//int channelHot[4] = { 1, 0, 0, 0 }; // show red
//int channelHot[4] = { 0, 0, 0, 1 }; // show alpha
//int channelHot[4] = { 1, 1, 1, 0 }; // show luma

float lumacoef[3];
config.getDefaultLumaCoefs(lumacoef);

float m44[16];
float offset[4];
OCIO::MatrixTransform::View(m44, offset, channelHot, lumacoef);
OCIO::MatrixTransformRcPtr swizzle = OCIO::MatrixTransform::Create();
swizzle->setValue(m44, offset);
transform->setChannelView(swizzle);

// And then process the image normally.
OCIO::ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor(transform);

OCIO::PackedImageDesc img(imageData, w, h, 4);
processor->apply(img);

```

## Python

```

import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO

# Step 1: Get the config
config = OCIO.GetCurrentConfig()

# Step 2: Lookup the display ColorSpace
device = config.getDefaultDisplayDeviceName()
transformName = config.getDefaultDisplayTransformName(device)
displayColorSpace = config.getDisplayColorSpaceName(device, transformName)

# Step 3: Create a DisplayTransform, and set the input and display ColorSpaces
# (This example assumes the input is scene linear. Adapt as needed.)

transform = OCIO.DisplayTransform()
transform.setInputColorSpaceName(OCIO.Constants.ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR)
transform.setDisplayColorSpaceName(displayColorSpace)

# Step 4: Add custom transforms for a 'canonical' Display Pipeline

```

```
# Add an fstop exposure control (in SCENE_LINEAR)
gain = 2**exposure
slope3f = (gain, gain, gain)

cc = OCIO.CDLTransform()
cc.setSlope(slope3f)

transform.setLinearCC(cc)

# Add a Channel view 'swizzle'

channelHot = (1, 1, 1, 1) # show rgb
# channelHot = (1, 0, 0, 0) # show red
# channelHot = (0, 0, 0, 1) # show alpha
# channelHot = (1, 1, 1, 0) # show luma

lumacoef = config.getDefaultLumaCoefs()

m44, offset = OCIO.MatrixTransform.View(channelHot, lumacoef)

swizzle = OCIO.MatrixTransform()
swizzle.setValue(m44, offset)
transform.setChannelView(swizzle)

# And then process the image normally.
processor = config.getProcessor(transform)

print processor.applyRGB(imageData)
```

### Displaying an image, using the GPU

Applying OpenColorIO's color processing using GPU processing is straightforward, provided you have the capability to upload custom shader code and a custom 3D Lookup Table (3DLUT).

1. **Get the Processor.** This portion of the pipeline is identical to the CPU approach. Just get the processor as you normally would have, see above for details.
2. **Create a GpuShaderDesc.**
3. **Query the GPU Shader Text + 3D LUT.**
4. **Configure the GPU State.**
5. **Draw your image.**

### C++

This example is available as a working app in the OCIO source: `src/apps/ociodisplay`.

```
// Step 0: Get the processor using any of the pipelines mentioned above.
OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();
const char * device = config->getDefaultDisplayDeviceName();
const char * transformName = config->getDefaultDisplayTransformName(device);
const char * displayColorSpace = config->getDisplayColorSpaceName(device, transformName);
ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor(OCIO::ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR,
                                                    displayColorSpace);
```

```

// Step 1: Create a GPU Shader Description
GpuShaderDesc shaderDesc;
shaderDesc.setLanguage(OCIO::GPU_LANGUAGE_GLSL_1_0);
shaderDesc.setFunctionName("OCIODisplay");
const int LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE = 32;
shaderDesc.setLut3DEdgeLen(LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE);

// Step 2: Compute and the 3D LUT
// Optional Optimization:
//     Only do this the 3D LUT's contents
//     are different from the last drawn frame.
//     Use getGpuLut3DCacheID to compute the cacheID.
//     cheaply.
//
// std::string lut3dCacheID = processor->getGpuLut3DCacheID(shaderDesc);
int num3Dentries = 3*LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE*LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE*LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE;
std::vector<float> g_lut3d;
g_lut3d.resize(num3Dentries);
processor->getGpuLut3D(&g_lut3d[0], shaderDesc);

// Load the data into an OpenGL 3D Texture
glGenTextures(1, &g_lut3d_textureID);
glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_3D, g_lut3d_textureID);
glTexImage3D(GL_TEXTURE_3D, 0, GL_RGB,
             LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE, LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE, LUT3D_EDGE_SIZE,
             0, GL_RGB, GL_FLOAT, &g_lut3d[0]);

// Step 3: Query

```

C++ API documentation:

### 3.5.7 C++ API

**Usage Example:** *Compositing plugin that converts from “log” to “lin”*

```

#include <OpenColorIO/OpenColorIO.h>
namespace OCIO = OCIO_NAMESPACE;

try
{
    // Get the global OpenColorIO config
    // This will auto-initialize (using $OCIO) on first use
    OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();

    // Get the processor corresponding to this transform.
    OCIO::ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor(OCIO::ROLE_COMPOSITING_LOG,
                                                             OCIO::ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR);

    // Wrap the image in a light-weight ImageDescription
    OCIO::PackedImageDesc img(imageData, w, h, 4);

    // Apply the color transformation (in place)
    processor->apply(img);
}
catch(OCIO::Exception & exception)
{
    std::cerr << "OpenColorIO Error: " << exception.what() << std::endl;
}

```

}

## Exceptions

### class **Exception**

An exception class to throw for errors detected at runtime.

**Warning:** All functions in the Config class can potentially throw this exception.

`Exception::Exception (const char*)`

Constructor that takes a string as the exception message.

`Exception::Exception (const Exception&)`

Constructor that takes an exception pointer.

`Exception& Exception::operator= (const Exception&)`

Constructor that takes an exception pointer and returns an exception pointer (???).

`Exception::~Exception ()`

`const char* Exception::what () const`

### class **ExceptionMissingFile**

An exception class for errors detected at runtime, thrown when OCIO cannot find a file that is expected to exist. This is provided as a custom type to distinguish cases where one wants to continue looking for missing files, but wants to properly fail for other error conditions.

`ExceptionMissingFile::ExceptionMissingFile (const char*)`

Constructor that takes a string as the exception message.

`ExceptionMissingFile::ExceptionMissingFile (const ExceptionMissingFile&)`

Constructor that takes an existing exception.

## Global

`void ClearAllCaches ()`

OpenColorIO, during normal usage, tends to cache certain information (such as the contents of LUTs on disk, intermediate results, etc.). Calling this function will flush all such information. Under normal usage, this is not necessary, but it can be helpful in particular instances, such as designing OCIO profiles, and wanting to re-read luts without restarting.

`const char* GetVersion ()`

Get the version number for the library, as a dot-delimited string (e.g., “1.0.0”). This is also available at compile time as `OCIO_VERSION`.

`int GetVersionHex ()`

Get the version number for the library, as a single 4-byte hex number (e.g., `0x01050200` for “1.5.2”), to be used for numeric comparisons. This is also available at compile time as `OCIO_VERSION_HEX`.

`LogLevel GetLoggingLevel ()`

Get the global logging level. You can override this at runtime using the `OCIO_LOGGING_LEVEL` environment variable. The client application that sets this should use `SetLoggingLevel ()`, and not the environment variable. The default value is `INFO`.

`void SetLoggingLevel (LogLevel level)`

Set the global logging level.

## Config

A config defines all the color spaces to be available at runtime.

The color configuration (`Config`) is the main object for interacting with this library. It encapsulates all of the information necessary to use customized `ColorSpaceTransform` and `DisplayTransform` operations.

See the *User Guide* for more information on selecting, creating, and working with custom color configurations.

For applications interested in using only one color config at a time (this is the vast majority of apps), their API would traditionally get the global configuration and use that, as opposed to creating a new one. This simplifies the use case for plugins and bindings, as it alleviates the need to pass around configuration handles.

An example of an application where this would not be sufficient would be a multi-threaded image proxy server (daemon), which wished to handle multiple show configurations in a single process concurrently. This app would need to keep multiple configurations alive, and to manage them appropriately.

Roughly speaking, a novice user should select a default configuration that most closely approximates the use case (animation, visual effects, etc.), and set the `OCIO` environment variable to point at the root of that configuration.

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**Note:** Initialization using environment variables is typically preferable in a multi-app ecosystem, as it allows all applications to be consistently configured.

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See *Usage Examples*

`ConstConfigRcPtr` `GetCurrentConfig ()`

Get the current configuration.

void `SetCurrentConfig (const ConstConfigRcPtr& config)`

Set the current configuration. This will then store a copy of the specified config.

**class** `Config`

### Initialization

**static** `ConfigRcPtr` `Config::Create ()`

Constructor a default empty configuration.

**static** `ConstConfigRcPtr` `Config::CreateFromEnv ()`

Constructor a configuration using the `OCIO` environment variable.

**static** `ConstConfigRcPtr` `Config::CreateFromFile (const char* filename)`

Constructor a configuration using a specific config file.

**static** `ConstConfigRcPtr` `Config::CreateFromStream (std::istream& istream)`

`ConfigRcPtr` `Config::createEditableCopy () const`

void `Config::sanityCheck () const`

This will throw an exception if the config is malformed. The most common error occurs when references are made to colorspace that do not exist.

const char\* `Config::getDescription () const`

void `Config::setDescription (const char* description)`

void `Config::serialize (std::ostream& os) const`

Returns the string representation of the `Config` in YAML text form. This is typically stored on disk in a file with the extension `.ocio`.

```
const char* Config::getCacheID() const
```

This will produce a hash of the all colorspace definitions, etc. All external references, such as files used in FileTransforms, etc., will be incorporated into the cacheID. While the contents of the files are not read, the file system is queried for relevant information (mtime, inode) so that the config's cacheID will change when the underlying luts are updated. If a context is not provided, the current Context will be used. If a null context is provided, file references will not be taken into account (this is essentially a hash of Config::serialize).

```
const char* Config::getCacheID(const ConstContextRcPtr& context) const
```

### Resources

Given a lut src name, where should we find it?

```
ConstContextRcPtr Config::getCurrentContext() const
```

```
void Config::addEnvironmentVar(const char* name, const char* defaultValue)
```

```
int Config::getNumEnvironmentVars() const
```

```
const char* Config::getEnvironmentVarNameByIndex(int index) const
```

```
const char* Config::getEnvironmentVarDefault(const char* name) const
```

```
void Config::clearEnvironmentVars()
```

```
void Config::setEnvironmentMode(EnvironmentMode mode)
```

```
EnvironmentMode Config::getEnvironmentMode() const
```

```
void Config::loadEnvironment()
```

```
const char* Config::getSearchPath() const
```

```
void Config::setSearchPath(const char* path)
```

```
const char* Config::getWorkingDir() const
```

```
void Config::setWorkingDir(const char* dirname)
```

### ColorSpaces

```
int Config::getNumColorSpaces() const
```

```
const char* Config::getColorSpaceNameByIndex(int index) const
```

This will null if an invalid index is specified

---

**Note:** These fns all accept either a color space OR role name. (Colorspace names take precedence over roles.)

---

```
ConstColorSpaceRcPtr Config::getColorSpace(const char* name) const
```

This will return null if the specified name is not found.

```
int Config::getIndexForColorSpace(const char* name) const
```

```
void Config::addColorSpace(const ConstColorSpaceRcPtr& cs)
```

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**Note:** If another color space is already registered with the same name, this will overwrite it. This stores a copy of the specified color space.

---

```
void Config::clearColorSpaces()
```

```
const char* Config::parseColorSpaceFromString (const char* str) const
    Given the specified string, get the longest, right-most, colorspace substring that appears.
```

- If strict parsing is enabled, and no color space is found, return an empty string.
- If strict parsing is disabled, return ROLE\_DEFAULT (if defined).
- If the default role is not defined, return an empty string.

```
bool Config::isStrictParsingEnabled () const
```

```
void Config::setStrictParsingEnabled (bool enabled)
```

## Roles

A role is like an alias for a colorspace. You can query the colorspace corresponding to a role using the normal `getColorSpace` fcn.

```
void Config::setRole (const char* role, const char* colorSpaceName)
```

---

**Note:** Setting the `colorSpaceName` name to a null string unsets it.

---

```
int Config::getNumRoles () const
```

```
bool Config::hasRole (const char* role) const
    Return true if the role has been defined.
```

```
const char* Config::getRoleName (int index) const
    Get the role name at index, this will return values like 'scene_linear', 'compositing_log'. Return empty string if
    index is out of range.
```

## Display/View Registration

Looks is a potentially comma (or colon) delimited list of lookNames, Where +/- prefixes are optionally allowed to denote forward/inverse look specification. (And forward is assumed in the absence of either)

```
const char* Config::getDefaultDisplay () const
```

```
int Config::getNumDisplays () const
```

```
const char* Config::getDisplay (int index) const
```

```
const char* Config::getDefaultView (const char* display) const
```

```
int Config::getNumViews (const char* display) const
```

```
const char* Config::getView (const char* display, int index) const
```

```
const char* Config::getDisplayColorSpaceName (const char* display, const char* view) const
```

```
const char* Config::getDisplayLooks (const char* display, const char* view) const
```

```
void Config::addDisplay (const char* display, const char* view, const char* colorSpaceName, const
                        char* looks)
```

For the (display,view) combination, specify which colorSpace and look to use. If a look is not desired, then just pass an empty string

```
void Config::clearDisplays ()
```

```
void Config::setActiveDisplays (const char* displays)
    Comma-delimited list of display names.
```

```
const char* Config::getActiveDisplays() const
void Config::setActiveViews(const char* views)
    Comma-delimited list of view names.
const char* Config::getActiveViews() const
```

### Luma

Get the default coefficients for computing luma.

---

**Note:** There is no “1 size fits all” set of luma coefficients. (The values are typically different for each colorspace, and the application of them may be nonsensical depending on the intensity coding anyways). Thus, the ‘right’ answer is to make these functions on the `Config` class. However, it’s often useful to have a config-wide default so here it is. We will add the colorspace specific luma call if/when another client is interesting in using it.

---

```
void Config::getDefaultLumaCoefs(float* rgb) const
void Config::setDefaultLumaCoefs(const float* rgb)
    These should be normalized (sum to 1.0 exactly).
```

### Look

Manager per-shot look settings.

```
ConstLookRcPtr Config::getLook(const char* name) const
int Config::getNumLooks() const
const char* Config::getLookNameByIndex(int index) const
void Config::addLook(const ConstLookRcPtr& look)
void Config::clearLooks()
```

### Processors

Convert from inputColorSpace to outputColorSpace

---

**Note:** This may provide higher fidelity than anticipated due to internal optimizations. For example, if the inputColorSpace and the outputColorSpace are members of the same family, no conversion will be applied, even though strictly speaking quantization should be added.

---

If you wish to test these calls for quantization characteristics, apply in two steps; the image must contain RGB triples (though arbitrary numbers of additional channels can be supported (ignored) using the `pixelStrideBytes` arg).

```
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor(const ConstContextRcPtr& context, const ConstColorSpaceRcPtr& srcColorSpace, const ConstColorSpaceRcPtr& dstColorSpace) const
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor(const ConstColorSpaceRcPtr& srcColorSpace, const ConstColorSpaceRcPtr& dstColorSpace) const
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor(const char* srcName, const char* dstName) const
```

---

**Note:** Names can be colorspace name, role name, or a combination of both.

---

---

```
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor (const ConstContextRcPtr& context, const char* srcName,
                                         const char* dstName) const
```

Get the processor for the specified transform.

Not often needed, but will allow for the re-use of atomic OCIO functionality (such as to apply an individual LUT file).

```
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor (const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform) const
```

```
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor (const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform, TransformDi-
                                         rection direction) const
```

```
ConstProcessorRcPtr Config::getProcessor (const ConstContextRcPtr& context, const Const-
                                         TransformRcPtr& transform, TransformDirection
                                         direction) const
```

## ColorSpace

The *ColorSpace* is the state of an image with respect to colorimetry and color encoding. Transforming images between different *ColorSpaces* is the primary motivation for this library.

While a complete discussion of color spaces is beyond the scope of header documentation, traditional uses would be to have *ColorSpaces* corresponding to: physical capture devices (known cameras, scanners), and internal ‘convenience’ spaces (such as scene linear, logarithmic).

*ColorSpaces* are specific to a particular image precision (float32, uint8, etc.), and the set of *ColorSpaces* that provide equivalent mappings (at different precisions) are referred to as a ‘family’.

### class ColorSpace

```
static ColorSpaceRcPtr ColorSpace::Create ()
```

```
ColorSpaceRcPtr ColorSpace::createEditableCopy () const
```

```
const char* ColorSpace::getName () const
```

```
void ColorSpace::setName (const char* name)
```

```
const char* ColorSpace::getFamily () const
    Get the family, for use in user interfaces (optional)
```

```
void ColorSpace::setFamily (const char* family)
    Set the family, for use in user interfaces (optional)
```

```
const char* ColorSpace::getEqualityGroup () const
    Get the ColorSpace group name (used for equality comparisons) This allows no-op transforms between different
    colorspace. If an equalityGroup is not defined (an empty string), it will be considered unique (i.e., it will not
    compare as equal to other ColorSpaces with an empty equality group). This is often, though not always, set to
    the same value as ‘family’.
```

```
void ColorSpace::setEqualityGroup (const char* equalityGroup)
```

```
const char* ColorSpace::getDescription () const
```

```
void ColorSpace::setDescription (const char* description)
```

```
BitDepth ColorSpace::getBitDepth () const
```

```
void ColorSpace::setBitDepth (BitDepth bitDepth)
```

### Data

ColorSpaces that are data are treated a bit special. Basically, any colorspace transforms you try to apply to them are ignored. (Think of applying a gamut mapping transform to an ID pass). Also, the `DisplayTransform` process obeys special ‘data min’ and ‘data max’ args.

This is traditionally used for pixel data that represents non-color pixel data, such as normals, point positions, ID information, etc.

```
bool ColorSpace::isData() const
void ColorSpace::setIsData (bool isData)
```

### Allocation

If this colorspace needs to be transferred to a limited dynamic range coding space (such as during display with a GPU path), use this allocation to maximize bit efficiency.

```
Allocation ColorSpace::getAllocation() const
void ColorSpace::setAllocation (Allocation allocation)
```

Specify the optional variable values to configure the allocation. If no variables are specified, the defaults are used.

ALLOCATION\_UNIFORM:

```
2 vars: [min, max]
```

ALLOCATION\_LG2:

```
2 vars: [lg2min, lg2max]
3 vars: [lg2min, lg2max, linear_offset]
```

```
int ColorSpace::getAllocationNumVars() const
void ColorSpace::getAllocationVars (float* vars) const
void ColorSpace::setAllocationVars (int numvars, const float* vars)
```

### Transform

```
ConstTransformRcPtr ColorSpace::getTransform (ColorSpaceDirection dir) const
```

If a transform in the specified direction has been specified, return it. Otherwise return a null `ConstTransformRcPtr`

```
void ColorSpace::setTransform (const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform, ColorSpaceDirection dir)
```

Specify the transform for the appropriate direction. Setting the transform to null will clear it.

### Look

The *Look* is an ‘artistic’ image modification, in a specified image state. The `processSpace` defines the `ColorSpace` the image is required to be in, for the math to apply correctly.

```
class Look
static LookRcPtr Look::Create ()
LookRcPtr Look::createEditableCopy () const
```

```

const char* Look::getName() const
void Look::setName(const char* name)
const char* Look::getProcessSpace() const
void Look::setProcessSpace(const char* processSpace)
ConstTransformRcPtr Look::getTransform() const
void Look::setTransform(const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform)
    Setting a transform to a non-null call makes it allowed.
ConstTransformRcPtr Look::getInverseTransform() const
void Look::setInverseTransform(const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform)
    Setting a transform to a non-null call makes it allowed.
const char* Look::getDescription() const
void Look::setDescription(const char* description)

```

## Processor

```
class Processor
```

```
static ProcessorRcPtr Processor::Create()
```

```
bool Processor::isNoOp() const
```

```
bool Processor::hasChannelCrosstalk() const
```

**does the processor represent an image transformation that** introduces crosstalk between the image channels

```
ConstProcessorMetadataRcPtr Processor::getMetadata() const
```

## CPU Path

```
void Processor::apply(ImageDesc& img) const
    Apply to an image.
```

Apply to a single pixel.

---

**Note:** This is not as efficient as applying to an entire image at once. If you are processing multiple pixels, and have the flexibility, use the above function instead.

---

```

void Processor::applyRGB(float* pixel) const
void Processor::applyRGBA(float* pixel) const
const char* Processor::getCpuCacheID() const

```

## GPU Path

Get the 3d lut + cg shader for the specified `DisplayTransform`.

cg signature will be:

```
shaderFcnName(in half4 inPixel, const uniform sampler3D lut3d)
```

lut3d should be size: 3 \* edgeLen \* edgeLen \* edgeLen return 0 if unknown

```
const char* Processor::getGpuShaderText(const GpuShaderDesc& shaderDesc) const
```

```
const char* Processor::getGpuShaderTextCacheID(const GpuShaderDesc& shaderDesc) const
```

```
void Processor::getGpuLut3D(float* lut3d, const GpuShaderDesc& shaderDesc) const
```

```
const char* Processor::getGpuLut3DCacheID(const GpuShaderDesc& shaderDesc) const
```

### class ProcessorMetadata

This class contains meta information about the process that generated this processor. The results of these functions do not impact the pixel processing.

```
static ProcessorMetadataRcPtr ProcessorMetadata::Create()
```

```
int ProcessorMetadata::getNumFiles() const
```

```
const char* ProcessorMetadata::getFile(int index) const
```

```
int ProcessorMetadata::getNumLooks() const
```

```
const char* ProcessorMetadata::getLook(int index) const
```

```
void ProcessorMetadata::addFile(const char* fname)
```

```
void ProcessorMetadata::addLook(const char* look)
```

## Baker

In certain situations it is necessary to serialize transforms into a variety of application specific lut formats. The Baker can be used to create lut formats that ocio supports for writing.

**Usage Example:** *Bake a houdini sRGB viewer lut*

```
OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::Config::CreateFromEnv();
OCIO::BakerRcPtr baker = OCIO::Baker::Create();
baker->setConfig(config);
baker->setFormat("houdini"); // set the houdini type
baker->setType("3D"); // we want a 3D lut
baker->setInputSpace("lrf");
baker->setShaperSpace("log");
baker->setTargetSpace("sRGB");
std::ostream out;
baker->bake(out); // fresh bread anyone!
std::cout << out.str();
```

```
static BakerRcPtr Create()
```

create a new Baker

```
BakerRcPtr createEditableCopy() const
```

create a copy of this Baker

```
void setConfig(const ConstConfigRcPtr& config)
```

set the config to use

```
ConstConfigRcPtr getConfig() const
```

get the config to use

```

void setFormat (const char* formatName)
    set the lut output format

const char* getFormat () const
    get the lut output format

void setType (const char* type)
    set the lut output type (1D or 3D)

const char* getType () const
    get the lut output type

void setMetadata (const char* metadata)
    set optional meta data for luts that support it

const char* getMetadata () const
    get the meta data that has been set

void setInputSpace (const char* inputSpace)
    set the input ColorSpace that the lut will be applied to

const char* getInputSpace () const
    get the input ColorSpace that has been set

void setShaperSpace (const char* shaperSpace)
    set an optional ColorSpace to be used to shape / transfer the input colorspace. This is mostly used to allocate an
    HDR luminance range into an LDR one. If a shaper space is not explicitly specified, and the file format supports
    one, the ColorSpace Allocation will be used

const char* getShaperSpace () const
    get the shaper colorspace that has been set

void setLooks (const char* looks)
    set the looks to be applied during baking Looks is a potentially comma (or colon) delimited list of lookNames,
    Where +/- prefixes are optionally allowed to denote forward/inverse look specification. (And forward is assumed
    in the absence of either)

const char* getLooks () const
    get the looks to be applied during baking

void setTargetSpace (const char* targetSpace)
    set the target device colorspace for the lut

const char* getTargetSpace () const
    get the target colorspace that has been set

void setShaperSize (int shapersize)
    override the default the shaper sample size, default: <format specific>

int getShaperSize () const
    get the shaper sample size

void setCubeSize (int cubesize)
    override the default cube sample size default: <format specific>

int getCubeSize () const
    get the cube sample size

void bake (std::ostream& os) const
    bake the lut into the output stream

static int getNumFormats ()
    get the number of lut writers

```

**static** const char\* **getFormatNameByIndex** (int *index*)  
get the lut writer at index, return empty string if an invalid index is specified

## ImageDesc

const ptrdiff\_t **AutoStride**  
AutoStride

### class ImageDesc

This is a light-weight wrapper around an image, that provides a context for pixel access. This does NOT claim ownership of the pixels or copy image data

ImageDesc : ~ImageDesc ()

## PackedImageDesc

### class PackedImageDesc

PackedImageDesc : **PackedImageDesc** (float\* *data*, long *width*, long *height*, long *numChannels*, ptrdiff\_t *chanStrideBytes=AutoStride*, ptrdiff\_t *xStrideBytes=AutoStride*, ptrdiff\_t *yStrideBytes=AutoStride*)

Pass the pointer to packed image data: rgbgrgbg, etc. The number of channels must be greater than or equal to 3. If a 4th channel is specified, it is assumed to be alpha information. Channels > 4 will be ignored.

PackedImageDesc : ~PackedImageDesc ()

float\* PackedImageDesc : **getData** () const

long PackedImageDesc : **getWidth** () const

long PackedImageDesc : **getHeight** () const

long PackedImageDesc : **getNumChannels** () const

ptrdiff\_t PackedImageDesc : **getChanStrideBytes** () const

ptrdiff\_t PackedImageDesc : **getXStrideBytes** () const

ptrdiff\_t PackedImageDesc : **getYStrideBytes** () const

## PlanarImageDesc

### class PlanarImageDesc

PlanarImageDesc : **PlanarImageDesc** (float\* *rData*, float\* *gData*, float\* *bData*, float\* *aData*, long *width*, long *height*, ptrdiff\_t *yStrideBytes=AutoStride*)

Pass the pointer to the specified image planes: rrrr gggg bbbb, etc. aData is optional, pass NULL if no alpha exists. {r,g,b} Data must be specified

PlanarImageDesc : ~PlanarImageDesc ()

float\* PlanarImageDesc : **getRData** () const

float\* PlanarImageDesc : **getGData** () const

float\* PlanarImageDesc : **getBData** () const

float\* PlanarImageDesc : **getAData** () const

long PlanarImageDesc : **getWidth** () const

```
long PlanarImageDesc::getHeight() const
ptrdiff_t PlanarImageDesc::getYStrideBytes() const
```

## GpuShaderDesc

### class GpuShaderDesc

```
GpuShaderDesc::GpuShaderDesc()
GpuShaderDesc::~GpuShaderDesc()
void GpuShaderDesc::setLanguage(GpuLanguage lang)
    Set the shader program language
GpuLanguage GpuShaderDesc::getLanguage() const
void GpuShaderDesc::setFunctionName(const char* name)
    Set the function name of the shader program
const char* GpuShaderDesc::getFunctionName() const
void GpuShaderDesc::setLut3DEdgeLen(int len)
int GpuShaderDesc::getLut3DEdgeLen() const
const char* GpuShaderDesc::getCacheID() const
```

## Context

### class Context

```
static ContextRcPtr Context::Create()
ContextRcPtr Context::createEditableCopy() const
const char* Context::getCacheID() const
void Context::setSearchPath(const char* path)
const char* Context::getSearchPath() const
void Context::setWorkingDir(const char* dirname)
const char* Context::getWorkingDir() const
void Context::setStringVar(const char* name, const char* value)
const char* Context::getStringVar(const char* name) const
int Context::getNumStringVars() const
const char* Context::getStringVarNameByIndex(int index) const
void Context::clearStringVars()
void Context::setEnvironmentMode(EnvironmentMode mode)
EnvironmentMode Context::getEnvironmentMode() const
void Context::loadEnvironment()
    Seed all string vars with the current environment.
```

`const char* Context::resolveStringVar (const char* val) const`  
Do a file lookup.

Evaluate the specified variable (as needed). Will not throw exceptions.

`const char* Context::resolveFileLocation (const char* filename) const`  
Do a file lookup.

Evaluate all variables (as needed). Also, walk the full search path until the file is found. If the filename cannot be found, an exception will be thrown.

### 3.5.8 C++ Transforms

Typically only needed when creating and/or manipulating configurations

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#### class Transform

`std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const Transform&)`

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#### class AllocationTransform

Forward direction wraps the ‘expanded’ range into the specified, often compressed, range.

`static AllocationTransformRcPtr AllocationTransform::Create ()`

`TransformRcPtr AllocationTransform::createEditableCopy () const`

`TransformDirection AllocationTransform::getDirection () const`

`void AllocationTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)`

`Allocation AllocationTransform::getAllocation () const`

`void AllocationTransform::setAllocation (Allocation allocation)`

`int AllocationTransform::getNumVars () const`

`void AllocationTransform::getVars (float* vars) const`

`void AllocationTransform::setVars (int numvars, const float* vars)`

`std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const AllocationTransform&)`

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#### class CDLTransform

An implementation of the ASC CDL Transfer Functions and Interchange - Syntax (Based on the version 1.2 document)

**Note:** the clamping portion of the CDL is only applied if a non-identity power is specified.

---

`static CDLTransformRcPtr CDLTransform::Create ()`

`static CDLTransformRcPtr CDLTransform::CreateFromFile (const char* src, const char* cccid)`

Load the CDL from the src .cc or .ccc file. If a .ccc is used, the cccid must also be specified src must be an absolute path reference, no relative directory or envvar resolution is performed.

`TransformRcPtr CDLTransform::createEditableCopy () const`

`TransformDirection CDLTransform::getDirection () const`

---

```

void CDLTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
bool CDLTransform::equals (const ConstCDLTransformRcPtr& other) const
const char* CDLTransform::getXML () const
void CDLTransform::setXML (const char* xml)

```

**ASC\_SOP**

Slope, offset, power:

```

out = clamp( (in * slope) + offset ) ^ power

void CDLTransform::setSlope (const float* rgb)
void CDLTransform::getSlope (float* rgb) const
void CDLTransform::setOffset (const float* rgb)
void CDLTransform::getOffset (float* rgb) const
void CDLTransform::setPower (const float* rgb)
void CDLTransform::getPower (float* rgb) const
void CDLTransform::setSOP (const float* vec9)
void CDLTransform::getSOP (float* vec9) const

```

**ASC\_SAT**

```

void CDLTransform::setSat (float sat)
float CDLTransform::getSat () const
void CDLTransform::getSatLumaCoefs (float* rgb) const
    These are hard-coded, by spec, to r709

```

**Metadata**

These do not affect the image processing, but are often useful for pipeline purposes and are included in the serialization.

```

void CDLTransform::setID (const char* id)
    Unique Identifier for this correction
const char* CDLTransform::getID () const
void CDLTransform::setDescription (const char* desc)
    Textual description of color correction (stored on the SOP)
const char* CDLTransform::getDescription () const
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const CDLTransform&)

```

**class ColorSpaceTransform**

```

static ColorSpaceTransformRcPtr ColorSpaceTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr ColorSpaceTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection ColorSpaceTransform::getDirection () const
void ColorSpaceTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
const char* ColorSpaceTransform::getSrc () const

```

```
void ColorSpaceTransform::setSrc (const char* src)
const char* ColorSpaceTransform::getDst () const
void ColorSpaceTransform::setDst (const char* dst)
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const ColorSpaceTransform&)
```

---

### class DisplayTransform

```
static DisplayTransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection DisplayTransform::getDirection () const
void DisplayTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
void DisplayTransform::setInputColorSpaceName (const char* name)
    Step 0: Specify the incoming color space
const char* DisplayTransform::getInputColorSpaceName () const
void DisplayTransform::setLinearCC (const ConstTransformRcPtr& cc)
    Step 1: Apply a Color Correction, in ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR
ConstTransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::getLinearCC () const
void DisplayTransform::setColorTimingCC (const ConstTransformRcPtr& cc)
    Step 2: Apply a color correction, in ROLE_COLOR_TIMING
ConstTransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::getColorTimingCC () const
void DisplayTransform::setChannelView (const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform)
    Step 3: Apply the Channel Viewing Swizzle (mtx)
ConstTransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::getChannelView () const
void DisplayTransform::setDisplay (const char* display)
    Step 4: Apply the output display transform This is controlled by the specification of (display, view)
const char* DisplayTransform::getDisplay () const
void DisplayTransform::setView (const char* view)
    Specify which view transform to use
const char* DisplayTransform::getView () const
void DisplayTransform::setDisplayCC (const ConstTransformRcPtr& cc)
    Step 5: Apply a post display transform color correction
ConstTransformRcPtr DisplayTransform::getDisplayCC () const
void DisplayTransform::setLooksOverride (const char* looks)
    A user can optionally override the looks that are, by default, used with the expected display / view combination.
    A common use case for this functionality is in an image viewing app, where per-shot looks are supported. If for
    some reason a per-shot look is not defined for the current Context, the Config::getProcessor fcn will not succeed
    by default. Thus, with this mechanism the viewing app could override to looks = "", and this will allow image
    display to continue (though hopefully) the interface would reflect this fallback option.)
    Looks is a potentially comma (or colon) delimited list of lookNames, Where +/- prefixes are optionally allowed
    to denote forward/inverse look specification. (And forward is assumed in the absense of either)
const char* DisplayTransform::getLooksOverride () const
```

---

```
void DisplayTransform::setLooksOverrideEnabled (bool enabled)
    Specify whether the lookOverride should be used, or not. This is a separate flag, as it's often useful to override
    "looks" to an empty string
```

```
bool DisplayTransform::getLooksOverrideEnabled () const
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const DisplayTransform&)
```

---

#### class ExponentTransform

Represents exponent transform: pow( clamp(color), value)

If the exponent is 1.0, this will not clamp. Otherwise, the input color will be clamped between [0.0, inf]

```
static ExponentTransformRcPtr ExponentTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr ExponentTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection ExponentTransform::getDirection () const
void ExponentTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
void ExponentTransform::setValue (const float* vec4)
void ExponentTransform::getValue (float* vec4) const
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const ExponentTransform&)
```

---

#### class FileTransform

```
static FileTransformRcPtr FileTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr FileTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection FileTransform::getDirection () const
void FileTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
const char* FileTransform::getSrc () const
void FileTransform::setSrc (const char* src)
const char* FileTransform::getCCCId () const
void FileTransform::setCCCId (const char* id)
Interpolation FileTransform::getInterpolation () const
void FileTransform::setInterpolation (Interpolation interp)
static int FileTransform::getNumFormats ()
    get the number of lut readers
static const char* FileTransform::getFormatNameByIndex (int index)
    get the lut readers at index, return empty string if an invalid index is specified
static const char* FileTransform::getFormatExtensionByIndex (int index)
    get the lut reader extension at index, return empty string if an invalid index is specified
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const FileTransform&)
```

---

#### class GroupTransform

```
static GroupTransformRcPtr GroupTransform::Create ()
```

```
TransformRcPtr GroupTransform::createEditableCopy() const
TransformDirection GroupTransform::getDirection() const
void GroupTransform::setDirection(TransformDirection dir)
ConstTransformRcPtr GroupTransform::getTransform(int index) const
int GroupTransform::size() const
void GroupTransform::push_back(const ConstTransformRcPtr& transform)
void GroupTransform::clear()
bool GroupTransform::empty() const
std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream&, const GroupTransform&)
```

---

#### class LogTransform

Represents log transform: log(color, base)

- The input will be clamped for negative numbers.
- Default base is 2.0
- Only the rgb channels are affected

```
static LogTransformRcPtr LogTransform::Create()
TransformRcPtr LogTransform::createEditableCopy() const
TransformDirection LogTransform::getDirection() const
void LogTransform::setDirection(TransformDirection dir)
void LogTransform::setBase(float val)
float LogTransform::getBase() const
std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream&, const LogTransform&)
```

---

#### class LookTransform

```
static LookTransformRcPtr LookTransform::Create()
TransformRcPtr LookTransform::createEditableCopy() const
TransformDirection LookTransform::getDirection() const
void LookTransform::setDirection(TransformDirection dir)
const char* LookTransform::getSrc() const
void LookTransform::setSrc(const char* src)
const char* LookTransform::getDst() const
void LookTransform::setDst(const char* dst)
void LookTransform::setLooks(const char* looks)
    Specify looks to apply. Looks is a potentially comma (or colon) delimited list of look names, Where +/- prefixes
    are optionally allowed to denote forward/inverse look specification. (And forward is assumed in the absense of
    either)
const char* LookTransform::getLooks() const
```

---

```
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const LookTransform&)
```

---

### class MatrixTransform

Represents an MX+B Matrix transform

```
static MatrixTransformRcPtr MatrixTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr MatrixTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection MatrixTransform::getDirection () const
void MatrixTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
bool MatrixTransform::equals (const MatrixTransform& other) const
void MatrixTransform::setValue (const float* m44, const float* offset4)
void MatrixTransform::getValue (float* m44, float* offset4) const
void MatrixTransform::setMatrix (const float* m44)
void MatrixTransform::getMatrix (float* m44) const
void MatrixTransform::setOffset (const float* offset4)
void MatrixTransform::getOffset (float* offset4) const
```

### Convenience functions

to get the mtx and offset corresponding to higher-level concepts

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**Note:** These can throw an exception if for any component `oldmin == oldmax`. (divide by 0)

---

```
static void MatrixTransform::Fit (float* m44, float* offset4, const float* oldmin4, const float* oldmax4,
                                const float* newmin4, const float* newmax4)
static void MatrixTransform::Identity (float* m44, float* offset4)
static void MatrixTransform::Sat (float* m44, float* offset4, float sat, const float* lumaCoef3)
static void MatrixTransform::Scale (float* m44, float* offset4, const float* scale4)
static void MatrixTransform::View (float* m44, float* offset4, int* channelHot4, const float* luma-
                                  Coef3)
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const MatrixTransform&)
```

---

### class TruelightTransform

Truelight transform using its API

```
static TruelightTransformRcPtr TruelightTransform::Create ()
TransformRcPtr TruelightTransform::createEditableCopy () const
TransformDirection TruelightTransform::getDirection () const
void TruelightTransform::setDirection (TransformDirection dir)
void TruelightTransform::setConfigRoot (const char* configroot)
const char* TruelightTransform::getConfigRoot () const
void TruelightTransform::setProfile (const char* profile)
const char* TruelightTransform::getProfile () const
```

---

```
void TruelightTransform::setCamera (const char* camera)
const char* TruelightTransform::getCamera () const
void TruelightTransform::setInputDisplay (const char* display)
const char* TruelightTransform::getInputDisplay () const
void TruelightTransform::setRecorder (const char* recorder)
const char* TruelightTransform::getRecorder () const
void TruelightTransform::setPrint (const char* print)
const char* TruelightTransform::getPrint () const
void TruelightTransform::setLamp (const char* lamp)
const char* TruelightTransform::getLamp () const
void TruelightTransform::setOutputCamera (const char* camera)
const char* TruelightTransform::getOutputCamera () const
void TruelightTransform::setDisplay (const char* display)
const char* TruelightTransform::getDisplay () const
void TruelightTransform::setCubeInput (const char* type)
const char* TruelightTransform::getCubeInput () const
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream&, const TruelightTransform&)
```

## 3.5.9 C++ Types

### Core

```
type ConstConfigRcPtr
type ConfigRcPtr
type ConstColorSpaceRcPtr
type ColorSpaceRcPtr
type ConstLookRcPtr
type LookRcPtr
type ConstContextRcPtr
type ContextRcPtr
type ConstProcessorRcPtr
type ProcessorRcPtr
type ConstProcessorMetadataRcPtr
type ProcessorMetadataRcPtr
type ConstBakerRcPtr
type BakerRcPtr
```

## Transforms

```

type ConstTransformRcPtr
type TransformRcPtr
type ConstAllocationTransformRcPtr
type AllocationTransformRcPtr
type ConstCDLTransformRcPtr
type CDLTransformRcPtr
type ConstColorSpaceTransformRcPtr
type ColorSpaceTransformRcPtr
type ConstDisplayTransformRcPtr
type DisplayTransformRcPtr
type ConstExponentTransformRcPtr
type ExponentTransformRcPtr
type ConstFileTransformRcPtr
type FileTransformRcPtr
type ConstGroupTransformRcPtr
type GroupTransformRcPtr
type ConstLogTransformRcPtr
type LogTransformRcPtr
type ConstLookTransformRcPtr
type LookTransformRcPtr
type ConstMatrixTransformRcPtr
type MatrixTransformRcPtr
type ConstTruelightTransformRcPtr
type TruelightTransformRcPtr

```

## Enums

```
type ColorSpaceDirection
```

```
type TransformDirection
```

```
type Interpolation
```

Specify the interpolation type to use. If the specified interpolation type is not supported in the requested context (for example, using tetrahedral interpolation on 1D luts) an exception will be thrown.

INTERP\_BEST will choose the best interpolation type for the requested context:

Lut1D INTERP\_BEST: LINEAR Lut3D INTERP\_BEST: LINEAR

Note: INTERP\_BEST is subject to change in minor releases, so if you care about locking off on a specific interpolation type, we'd recommend directly specifying it.

```
type BitDepth
```

**type Allocation**

**type GpuLanguage**

Used when there is a choice of hardware shader language.

**type EnvironmentMode**

## Conversion

const char\* **BoolToString** (bool *val*)

bool **BoolFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **LoggingLevelToString** (LoggingLevel *level*)

LoggingLevel **LoggingLevelFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **TransformDirectionToString** (TransformDirection *dir*)

TransformDirection **TransformDirectionFromString** (const char\* *s*)

TransformDirection **GetInverseTransformDirection** (TransformDirection *dir*)

TransformDirection **CombineTransformDirections** (TransformDirection *d1*, TransformDirection *d2*)

const char\* **ColorSpaceDirectionToString** (ColorSpaceDirection *dir*)

ColorSpaceDirection **ColorSpaceDirectionFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **BitDepthToString** (BitDepth *bitDepth*)

BitDepth **BitDepthFromString** (const char\* *s*)

bool **BitDepthIsFloat** (BitDepth *bitDepth*)

int **BitDepthToInt** (BitDepth *bitDepth*)

const char\* **AllocationToString** (Allocation *allocation*)

Allocation **AllocationFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **InterpolationToString** (Interpolation *interp*)

Interpolation **InterpolationFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **GpuLanguageToString** (GpuLanguage *language*)

GpuLanguage **GpuLanguageFromString** (const char\* *s*)

const char\* **EnvironmentModeToString** (EnvironmentMode *mode*)

EnvironmentMode **EnvironmentModeFromString** (const char\* *s*)

## Roles

ColorSpace Roles are used so that plugins, in addition to this API can have abstract ways of asking for common colorspace, without referring to them by hardcoded names.

Internal:

```
GetGPUDisplayTransform - (ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR (fstop exposure))
                       (ROLE_COLOR_TIMING (ASCColorCorrection))
```

External Plugins (currently known):

```
Colorpicker UIs          - (ROLE_COLOR_PICKING)
Compositor LogConvert - (ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR, ROLE_COMPOSITING_LOG)
```

```
const char* ROLE_DEFAULT
    "default"
```

```
const char* ROLE_REFERENCE
    "reference"
```

```
const char* ROLE_DATA
    "data"
```

```
const char* ROLE_COLOR_PICKING
    "color_picking"
```

```
const char* ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR
    "scene_linear"
```

```
const char* ROLE_COMPOSITING_LOG
    "compositing_log"
```

```
const char* ROLE_COLOR_TIMING
    "color_timing"
```

```
const char* ROLE_TEXTURE_PAINT
    This role defines the transform for painting textures. In some workflows this is just a inverse display gamma
    with some limits
```

```
const char* ROLE_MATTE_PAINT
    This role defines the transform for matte painting. In some workflows this is a 1D HDR to LDR allocation. It is
    normally combined with another display transform in the host app for preview.
```

Python API documentation:

## 3.5.10 Python API

### Description

A color configuration (`PyOpenColorIO.Config`) defines all the color spaces to be available at runtime.

(`PyOpenColorIO.Config`) is the main object for interacting with this library. It encapsulates all the information necessary to use customized `PyOpenColorIO.ColorSpaceTransform` and `PyOpenColorIO.DisplayTransform` operations.

See the *User Guide* for more information on selecting, creating, and working with custom color configurations.

For applications interested in using only one color configuration at a time (this is the vast majority of apps), their API would traditionally get the global configuration and use that, as opposed to creating a new one. This simplifies the use case for plugins and bindings, as it alleviates the need to pass around configuration handles.

An example of an application where this would not be sufficient would be a multi-threaded image proxy server (daemon) that wants to handle multiple show configurations concurrently in a single process. This app would need to keep multiple configurations alive, and manage them appropriately.

Roughly speaking, a novice user should select a default configuration that most closely approximates the use case (animation, visual effects, etc.), and set the `OCIO` environment variable to point at the root of that configuration.

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**Note:** Initialization using environment variables is typically preferable in a multi-app ecosystem, as it allows all applications to be consistently configured.

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**Note:** Paths to LUTs can be relative. The search paths are defined in `PyOpenColorIO.Config`.

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See *Usage Examples*

### Examples of Use

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO

# Load an existing configuration from the environment.
# The resulting configuration is read-only. If $OCIO is set, it will use that.
# Otherwise it will use an internal default.
config = OCIO.GetCurrentConfig()

# What color spaces exist?
colorSpaceNames = [ cs.getName() for cs in config.getColorSpaces() ]

# Given a string, can we parse a color space name from it?
inputString = 'myname_linear.exr'
colorSpaceName = config.parseColorSpaceFromString(inputString)
if colorSpaceName:
    print 'Found color space', colorSpaceName
else:
    print 'Could not get color space from string', inputString

# What is the name of scene-linear in the configuration?
colorSpace = config.getColorSpace(OCIO.Constants.ROLE_SCENE_LINEAR)
if colorSpace:
    print colorSpace.getName()
else:
    print 'The role of scene-linear is not defined in the configuration'

# For examples of how to actually perform the color transform math,
# see 'Python: Processor' docs.

# Create a new, empty, editable configuration
config = OCIO.Config()

# Create a new color space, and add it
cs = OCIO.ColorSpace(...)
# (See ColorSpace for details)
config.addColorSpace(cs)

# For additional examples of config manipulation, see
# https://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO-Configs/blob/master/nuke-default/make.py
```

### Exceptions

#### Global

#### Config

#### ColorSpace

Look

Processor

Context

### 3.5.11 Python Transforms

Transform

#### AllocationTransform

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
transform = OCIO.AllocationTransform()
transform.setAllocation(OCIO.Constants.ALLOCATION_LG2)
```

#### CDLTransform

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO

cdl = OCIO.CDLTransform()
# Set the slope, offset, power, and saturation for each channel.
cdl.setSOP([, , , , , , , ])
cdl.setSat([, , ])
cdl.getSatLumaCoefs()
```

#### ColorSpaceTransform

This class is meant so that ColorSpace conversions can be reused, referencing ColorSpaces that already exist.

**Note:** Careless use of this may create infinite loops, so avoid referencing the colorspace you're in.

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
transform = OCIO.ColorSpaceTransform()
```

#### DisplayTransform

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
transform = OCIO.DisplayTransform()
```

#### ExponentTransform

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
transform = OCIO.ExponentTransform()
```

## FileTransform

## GroupTransform

## LogTransform

```
import PyOpenColorIO as OCIO
```

`PyOpenColorIO.LogTransform` is used to define a log transform. The direction of the transform and its numerical base can be specified.

## LookTransform

## MatrixTransform

### 3.5.12 Python Types

#### Constants

Internal Architecture:

### 3.5.13 Internal Architecture Overview

#### External API

#### Configs

At the highest level, we have `OCIO::Configs`. This represents the entirety of the current color “universe”. Configs are serialized as `.ocio` files, read at runtime, and are often used in a ‘read-only’ context.

Config are loaded at runtime to allow for customized color handling in a show- dependent manner.

Example Configs:

- ACES (Academy’s standard color workflow)
- `spi-vfx` (Used on some Imageworks VFX shows such as spiderman, etc).
- and others

#### ColorSpaces

The meat of an `OCIO::Config` is a list of named `ColorSpaces`. `ColorSpace` often correspond to input image states, output image states, or image states used for internal processing.

Example `ColorSpaces` (from ACES configuration):

- `aces` (HDR, scene-linear)
- `adx10` (log-like density encoding space)
- `slogf35` (sony F35 slog camera encoding)
- `rrt_srgb` (baked in display transform, suitable for srgb display)
- `rrt_p3dci` (baked in display transform, suitable for dcip3 display)

## Transforms

ColorSpaces contain an ordered list of transforms, which define the conversion to and from the Config's "reference" space.

Transforms are the atomic units available to the designer in order to specify a color conversion.

Examples of OCIO::Transforms are:

- File-based transforms (1d lut, 3d lut, mtx... anything, really.)
- Math functions (gamma, log, mtx)
- The 'meta' GroupTransform, which contains itself an ordered lists of transforms
- The 'meta' LookTransform, which contains an ordered lists of transforms

For example, the adx10 ColorSpace (in one particular ACES configuration) -Transform FROM adx, to our reference ColorSpace:

1. Apply FileTransform adx\_adx10\_to\_cdd.spimtx
2. Apply FileTransform adx\_cdd\_to\_cid.spimtx
3. Apply FileTransform adx\_cid\_to\_rle.spi1d
4. Apply LogTransform base 10 (inverse)
5. Apply FileTransform adx\_exp\_to\_aces.spimtx

If we have an image in the reference ColorSpace (unnamed), we can convert TO adx by applying each in the inverse direction:

1. Apply FileTransform adx\_exp\_to\_aces.spimtx (inverse)
2. Apply LogTransform base 10 (forward)
3. Apply FileTransform adx\_cid\_to\_rle.spi1d (inverse)
4. Apply FileTransform adx\_cdd\_to\_cid.spimtx (inverse)
5. Apply FileTransform adx\_adx10\_to\_cdd.spimtx (inverse)

Note that this isn't possible in all cases (what if a lut or matrix is not invertible?), but conceptually it's a simple way to think about the design.

## Summary

Configs and ColorSpaces are just a bookkeeping device used to get and ordered lists of Transforms corresponding to image color transformation.

Transforms are visible to the person AUTHORIZING the OCIO config, but are NOT visible to the client applications. Client apps need only concern themselves with Configs and Processors.

## OCIO::Processors

A processor corresponds to a 'baked' color transformation. You specify two arguments when querying a processor: the *ColorSpace* you are coming from, and the *ColorSpace* you are going to.

Once you have the processor, you can apply the color transformation using the "apply" function. For the CPU version, first wrap your image in an ImageDesc class, and then call apply to process in place.

Example:

```
#include <OpenColorIO/OpenColorIO.h>
namespace OCIO = OCIO_NAMESPACE;

try
{
    // Get the global OpenColorIO config
    // This will auto-initialize (using $OCIO) on first use
    OCIO::ConstConfigRcPtr config = OCIO::GetCurrentConfig();

    // Get the processor corresponding to this transform.
    // These strings, in this example, are specific to the above
    // example. ColorSpace names should NEVER be hard-coded into client
    // software, but should be dynamically queried at runtime from the library
    OCIO::ConstProcessorRcPtr processor = config->getProcessor("adx10", "aces");

    // Wrap the image in a light-weight ImageDescription
    OCIO::PackedImageDesc img(imageData, w, h, 4);

    // Apply the color transformation (in place)
    processor->apply(img);
}
catch (OCIO::Exception & exception)
{
    std::cerr << "OpenColorIO Error: " << exception.what() << std::endl;
}
}
```

The GPU code path is similar. You get the processor from the config, and then query the shaderText and the lut3d. The client loads these to the GPU themselves, and then makes the appropriate calls to the newly defined function.

See `src/apps/ociodisplay` for an example.

## Internal API

### The Op Abstraction

It is a useful abstraction, both for code-reuse and optimization, to not relying on the transforms to do pixel processing themselves.

Consider that the FileTransform represents a wide-range of image processing operations (basically all of em), many of which are really complex. For example, the houdini lut format in a single file may contain a log convert, a 1d lut, and then a 3d lut; all of which need to be applied in a row! If we don't want the FileTransform to know how to process all possible pixel operations, it's much simpler to make light-weight processing operations, which the transforms can create to do the dirty work as needed.

All image processing operations (ops) are a class that present the same interface, and it's rather simple:

```
virtual void apply(float* rgbaBuffer, long numPixels)
```

Basically, given a packed float array with the specified number of pixels, process em.

Examples of ops include Lut1DOp, Lut3DOp, MtxOffsetOp, LogOp, etc.

Thus, the job of a transform becomes much simpler and they're only responsible for converting themselves to a list of ops. A simple FileTransform that only has a single 1D lut internally may just generate a single Lut1DOp, but a FileTransform that references a more complex format (such as the houdini lut case referenced above) may generate a few ops:

```

void FileFormatHDL::BuildFileOps (OpRcPtrVec & ops,
    const Config& /*config*/,
    const ConstContextRcPtr & /*context*/,
    CachedFileRcPtr untypedCachedFile,
    const FileTransform& fileTransform,
    TransformDirection dir) const {

    // Code omitted which loads the lut file into the file cache...

    CreateLut1Dop (ops, cachedFile->lut1D,
        fileTransform.getInterpolation(), dir);
    CreateLut3Dop (ops, cachedFile->lut3D,
        fileTransform.getInterpolation(), dir);

```

See (src/core/\*Ops.h) for the available ops.

Note that while compositors often have complex, branching trees of image processing operations, we just have a linear list of ops, lending itself very well to optimization.

Before the ops are run, they are optimized. (Collapsed with appropriate neighbors, etc).

### An Example

Let us consider the internal steps when `getProcessor()` is called to convert from ColorSpace 'adx10' to ColorSpace 'aces':

- The first step is to turn this ColorSpace conversion into an ordered list of transforms.

We do this by creating a single of the conversions from 'adx10' to reference, and then adding the transforms required to go from reference to 'aces'. \* The Transform list is then converted into a list of ops. It is during this stage luts, are loaded, etc.

### CPU CODE PATH

The master list of ops is then optimized, and stored internally in the processor.

```
FinalizeOpVec (m_cpuOps);
```

During `Processor::apply(...)`, a subunit of pixels in the image are formatted into a sequential rgba block. (Block size is optimized for computational (SSE) simplicity and performance, and is typically similar in size to an image scanline)

```

float * rgbaBuffer = 0;
long numPixels = 0;
while (true) {
    scanlineHelper.prepRGBAScanline (&rgbaBuffer, &numPixels);
    ...

```

Then for each op, `op->apply` is called in-place.

```

for (OpRcPtrVec::size_type i=0, size = m_cpuOps.size(); i<size; ++i)
{
    m_cpuOps[i]->apply (rgbaBuffer, numPixels);
}

```

After all ops have been applied, the results are copied back to the source

```
scanlineHelper.finishRGBAScanline();
```

## GPU CODE PATH

1. The master list of ops is partitioned into 3 ordered lists:

- As many ops as possible from the BEGINNING of the op-list that can be done analytically in shader text. (called gpu-preops)
- As many ops as possible from the END of the op-list that can be done analytically in shader text. (called gpu-postops)
- The left-over ops in the middle that cannot support shader text, and thus will be baked into a 3dlut. (called gpu-lattice)

#. Between the first and the second lists (gpu-preops, and gpu-latticeops), we analyze the op-stream metadata and determine the appropriate allocation to use. (to minimize clamping, quantization, etc). This is accounted for here by inserting a forward allocation to the end of the pre-ops, and the inverse allocation to the start of the lattice ops.

See <https://github.com/imageworks/OpenColorIO/blob/master/src/core/NoOps.cpp#L183>

#. The 3 lists of ops are then optimized individually, and stored on the processor. The Lut3d is computed by applying the gpu-lattice ops, on the CPU, to a lut3d image.

The shader text is computed by calculating the shader for the gpu-preops, adding a sampling function of the 3d lut, and then calculating the shader for the gpu post ops.

## 3.6 Compatible Software

The following software all supports OpenColorIO (to varying degrees).

If you are interested in getting OCIO support for an application not listed here, please contact the ocio-dev mailing list.

If you are a developer and would like assistance integration OCIO into your application, please contact ocio-dev as well.

### 3.6.1 After Effects

Compositor - Adobe

An OpenColorIO plugin is available for use in After Effects.

See [src/aftereffects](#) if you are interested in building your own OCIO plugins.

Pre-built binaries are also available for [download](#), courtesy of [fnordware](#).

### 3.6.2 Blender

Open Source 3D Application

In [version 2.64](#), Blender has integrated OCIO as part of its redesigned color management system.

### 3.6.3 Krita

2D Paint - Open Source

Krita now supports OpenColorIO for image viewing, allowing for the accurate painting of float32/OpenEXR imagery.

See [krita.org](http://krita.org) for details.

### 3.6.4 Silhouette

Roto, Paint, Keying - SilhouetteFX

OCIO is natively integrated in 4.5+ Full support is provide for both image import/export, as well as image display.

### 3.6.5 Nuke

Compositor - The Foundry

Nuke 6.3v7+ ships with native support for OpenColorIO. The OCIO configuration is selectable in the user preferences.

OCIO Nodes: OCIOCDLTransform, OCIOColorSpace, OCIODisplay, OCIOFileTransform, OCIOLookConvert, OCIOLogConvert

The OCIODisplay node is suitable for use in the Viewer as an input process (IP), and a register function is provides to add viewer options for each display upon launch.

The OCIO config “nuke-default” is provided, which matches the built-in Nuke color processing. This profile is useful for those who want to mirror the native nuke color processing in other applications. (The underlying equations are also provided as python code in the config as well).

A [video demonstration](#) of the Nuke OCIO workflow.

### 3.6.6 Mari

3D Paint - The Foundry

Mari 1.4v1+ ships with native support for OpenColorIO in their display toolbar.

A [video demonstration](#) of the Mari OCIO workflow.

### 3.6.7 Katana

CG Pipeline / Lighting Tool - The Foundry

Color management in Katana (all versions) natively relies on OCIO.

2D Nodes: OCIODisplay, OCIOColorSpace, OCIOCDLTransform Monitor Panel: Full OCIO Support

### 3.6.8 Hiero

Conform & Review - The Foundry

Hiero 1.0 will ship with native support for OCIO in the display and the equivalent of Nuke’s OCIOColorSpace in the Read nodes.

It comes with “nuke-default” OCIO config by default, so the Hiero viewer matches when sending files to Nuke for rendering.

### 3.6.9 Photoshop

OpenColorIO display luts can be exported as ICC profiles for use in photoshop. The core idea is to create an .icc profile, with a valid description, and then to save it to the proper OS icc directory. (On OSX, ~/Library/ColorSync/Profiles/). Upon a Photoshop relaunch, Edit->Assign Profile, and then select your new OCIO lut.

See the the OCIO user guide for details on baking ICC profiles for Photoshop

### 3.6.10 OpenImageIO

Open Source Image Library / Renderer Texture Engine

Available in the current code trunk. Integration is with makecolortx (allowing for color space conversion during mipmap generation), and also through the public header `src/include/color.h`.

Remaining integration tasks include [color conversion at runtime](#).

### 3.6.11 C++

The core OpenColorIO API is available for use in C++. See the [export directory](#) for the C++ API headers. Minimal code examples are also available in the source code distribution. Of particular note are `src/apps/ocioconvert/` and `src/apps/ociodisplay/`

Also see the [Developer Guide](#)

### 3.6.12 Python

The OpenColorIO API is available for use in python. See the “pyglue” directory in the codebase.

See the developer guide for usage examples and API documentation on the PYTHON bindings

### 3.6.13 Vegas Pro

Video editing - Sony

Vegas Pro 12 uses OpenColorIO, supporting workflows such as S-log footage via the ACES colorspace.

### 3.6.14 Apps w/icc or luts

flame (.3dl), lustre (.3dl), cinespace (.csp), houdini (.lut), iridas\_itx (.itx) photoshop (.icc)

Export capabilities through ociobakelut:

```
$ ociobakelut -- create a new LUT or icc profile from an OCIO config or lut file(s)
$
$ usage:  ociobakelut [options] <OUTPUTFILE.LUT>
$
$ example:  ociobakelut --inputspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 --format flame lg_to_srgb.3dl
$ example:  ociobakelut --lut filmlut.3dl --lut calibration.3dl --format flame display.3dl
$ example:  ociobakelut --lut look.3dl --offset 0.01 -0.02 0.03 --lut display.3dl --format flame disp
$ example:  ociobakelut --inputspace lg10 --outputspace srgb8 --format icc ~/Library/ColorSync/Profi
$ example:  ociobakelut --lut filmlut.3dl --lut calibration.3dl --format icc ~/Library/ColorSync/Profi
$
```

```

$
$ Using Existing OCIO Configurations
$   --inputspace %s      Input OCIO ColorSpace (or Role)
$   --outputspace %s    Output OCIO ColorSpace (or Role)
$   --shaperspace %s    the OCIO ColorSpace or Role, for the shaper
$   --iconfig %s        Input .ocio configuration file (default: $OCIO)
$
$ Config-Free LUT Baking
$   (all options can be specified multiple times, each is applied in order)
$   --lut %s            Specify a LUT (forward direction)
$   --invlut %s        Specify a LUT (inverse direction)
$   --slope %f %f %f   slope
$   --offset %f %f %f  offset (float)
$   --offset10 %f %f %f offset (10-bit)
$   --power %f %f %f   power
$   --sat %f           saturation (ASC-CDL luma coefficients)
$
$ Baking Options
$   --format %s        the lut format to bake: flame (.3dl), lustre (.3dl),
$                       cinespace (.csp), houdini (.lut), iridas_itx (.itx), icc (.icc)
$   --shapersize %d    size of the shaper (default: format specific)
$   --cubeseize %d     size of the cube (default: format specific)
$   --stdout           Write to stdout (rather than file)
$   --v               Verbose
$   --help            Print help message
$
$ ICC Options
$   --whitepoint %d    whitepoint for the profile (default: 6505)
$   --displayicc %s    an icc profile which matches the OCIO profiles target display
$   --description %s   a meaningful description, this will show up in UI like photoshop
$   --copyright %s     a copyright field

```

See this [ocio-dev thread](#) for additional usage discussions.

When exporting an ICC Profile, you will be asked to specify your monitor's profile (it will be selected for you by default). This is because ICC Profile are not LUTs per se. An ICC Profile describes a color space and then needs a destination profile to calculate the transformation. So if you have an operation working and looking good on the monitor you're using (and maybe its profile has been properly measured using a spectrophotometer), then choose your display. If the transform was approved on a different monitor, then maybe you should choose its profile instead.

### 3.6.15 RV

#### Playback Tool - Tweak Software

RV has native OCIO support in version 4 onwards. For more details, see the OpenColorIO section of the [RV User Manual](#).

### 3.6.16 Java (Beta)

The OpenColorIO API is available for use in Java. See the [jniglu directory](#) in the codebase.

This integration is currently considered a work in progress, and should not be relied upon for critical production work.

### 3.6.17 Gaffer

Open Source VFX Platform

Gaffer is a node based application for use in CG and VFX production, with a particular focus on lighting and look development.

### 3.6.18 Natron

‘Open Source Compositing Software <<http://natron.fr>>’

### 3.6.19 CryEngine3 (Beta)

Game Engine - Crytek (Cinema Sandbox)

CryENGINE is a real-time game engine, targeting applications in the motion-picture market. While we don’t know many details about the CryEngine OpenColorIO integration, we’re looking forward to learning more as information becomes available.

## 3.7 FAQ

### 3.7.1 License?

New BSD.

You are welcome to include the OpenColorIO in commercial, or open source applications. See the *License* for further details.

### 3.7.2 Terminology

- Transform - a function that alters RGB(A) data (e.g transform an image from scene linear to sRGB)
- Reference space - a space that connects colorspaces
- Colorspace - a meaningful space that can be transferred to and from the reference space
- Display - a virtual or physical display device (e.g an sRGB display device)
- View - a meaningful view of the reference space on a Display (e.g a film emulation view on an sRGB display device)
- Role - abstract colorspace naming (e.g specify the “lnh” colorspace as the scene\_linear role, or the color-picker UI uses color\_picking role)
- Look - a color transform which applies a creative look (for example a per-shot natural grade to remove color-casts from a sequence of film scans, or a DI look)

### 3.7.3 What LUT Formats are supported?

Ext	Details	Notes
3dl	Autodesk Apps: Lustre, Flame, etc. Supports shaper LUT + 3D	Read + Write Support.
ccc	ASC CDL ColorCorrectionCollection	Full read support.
cc	ASC CDL ColorCorrection	Full read support.
csp	Cinespace (Rising Sun Research) LUT. Spline-based shaper LUT, with either 1D or 3D LUT.	Read + Write Support. Shaper is resampled into simple 1D LUT with 2^16 samples.
cub	Truelight format. Shaper Lut + 3D	Full read support.
cube	Iridas format. Either 1D or 3D Lut.	Full read support
hdl	Houdini. 1D Lut, 3D lut, 1D shaper Lut	Only 'C' type is supported. Need to add R G B A RGB RGBA ALL. No support for Sampling tag. Header fields must be in strict order.
look	IRIDAS .look	Read baked 3D LUT embedded in file. No mask support.
mga/mga	Pandora 3D lut	Full read support.
spi1d	1D format. Imageworks native 1D lut format. HDR friendly, supports arbitrary input and output domains	Full read support.
spi3d	3D format. Imageworks native 3D lut format.	Full read support.
spimtx	3x3 matrix + color offset. Imageworks native color matrix format	Full read support.
vf	Inventor 3d lut.	Read support for 3d lut data and global_transform element

**Note:** Shaper LUT application in OCIO currently only supports linear interpolation. For very small shaper LUT sizes this may not be sufficient. (CSP shaper luts excluded; they do use spline interpolation at load-time).

### 3.7.4 Can you query a color space by name (like “Rec709”) and get back XYZ coordinates of its primaries and whitepoint?

Not currently.

OCIO is a color configuration ‘playback’ tool that tries to be as flexible as possible; color information such as this is often only needed / relevant at configuration authoring time. Making primaries / whitepoint required would limit the pipeline OCIO could service. In the strictest sense, we would consider OCIO to be a ‘baked’ representation of color processes, similar to how Alembic files do not store animation rig data, but rather only the baked geometry.

Also, remember that not all colorspace used in visual effects even have strongly defined color space definitions. For example, scanned film negatives, when linearized with 1d transfer curves (the historical norm in vfx), do not have defined primaries/white point. Each rgb value could of course individually be tied to a specific color, but if you were to do a sweep of the pure ‘red channel’, for example, you’d find that it creates a curves in chromaticity space, not a single point. (This is due to the 1d linearization not attempting to undo the subtractive processes that created the pixels in the first place.

But many color spaces in OCIO *do* have very strongly defined white points/chromaticities. On the display side, for example, we have very precise information on this.

Perhaps OCIO should include optional metadata to tag outputs? We are looking at this as a OCIO 1.2 feature.

### 3.7.5 Can you convert XYZ <-> named color space RGB values?

OCIO includes a MatrixTransform, so the processing capability is there. But there is no convenience function to compute this matrix for you. (We do include other Matrix convenience functions though, so it already has a place to

be added. See MatrixTransform in export/OpenColorTransforms.h)

There's talk of extended OCIO 1.2 to have a plugin api where colorspace could be dynamically added at runtime (such as after reading exr chromaticity header metadata). This would necessitate adding such a feature.

### 3.7.6 What are the differences between Nuke's Vectorfield and OCIOFileTransform?

(All tests done with Nuke 6.3)

Ext	Details	Notes
3dl	Matched Results	
ccc	n/a	
cc	n/a	
csp	<i>Difference</i>	Gain error. Believe OCIO is correct, but need to verify.
cub	Matched Results	Note: Nuke's .cub exporter is broken (gain error)
cube	Matched Results	
hdl	n/a	
mga/m3d	n/a	
spi1d	n/a	
spi3d	n/a	
spimtx	n/a	
vf	<i>Difference</i>	Gain error. Believe OCIO is correct, but need to verify.

All gain differences are due to a common 'gotcha' when interpolating 3d luts, related to internal index computation. If you have a 32x32x32 3dlut, when sampling values from (0,1) do you internally scale by 31.0 or 32.0? This is typically well-defined for each format, (in this case the answer is usually 31.0) but when incorrectly handled in an application, you occasionally see gain errors that differ by this amount. (In the case of a 32-sized 3dlut,  $32/31 = \sim 3\%$  error)

### 3.7.7 What do ColorSpace::setAllocation() and ColorSpace::setAllocationVars() do?

These hints only come into play during GPU processing, and are used to determine proper colorspace allocation handling for 3D LUTs. See this page [How to Configure ColorSpace Allocation](#) for further information.

## 3.8 Downloads

- Sample OCIO Configurations – .zip .tar.gz
- Reference Images v1.0v4 – .tgz
- Core Library v1.0.9 – .zip .tar.gz
- Core Library latest – .zip .tar.gz

Per-version updates: [ChangeLog](#).

Build instructions: [Building from source](#).

### 3.8.1 Contributor License Agreements

Please see the [Imageworks Open Source website](#)

### 3.8.2 Deprecated Downloads

- Reference Images v1.0v2 [tgz](#)
- Reference Images v1.0v1 [tgz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.8 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.7 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.6 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.5 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.4 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.3 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.2 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.1 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v1.0.0 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Color Config v0.7v4 [tgz](#) (OCIO v0.7.6+)
- Core Library v0.8.7 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v0.7.9 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v0.6.1 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v0.5.16 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)
- Core Library v0.5.8 – [.zip](#) [.tar.gz](#)

## 3.9 ChangeLog

### Version 1.1.1 (March 25 2019):

- Added optional compatibility for building apps with OpenImageIO 1.9+
- Added USE\_SSE checks to fix Linux build failure
- `getDisplay()` result ordering now matches the `active_displays` config definition or `OCIO_ACTIVE_DISPLAYS` env var override.
- Fixed incorrect `getDefaultDisplay()/getDefaultView()` result when `OCIO_ACTIVE_DISPLAYS` or `OCIO_ACTIVE_VIEWS` env vars are unset.
- Fixed Windows-specific `GetEnv()` bug
- Fixed Windows and MacOS CI failure cases
- Updated mail list URLs to `aswf.io` domain

### Version 1.1.0 (Jan 5 2018):

- `libc++` build fixes
- Added support for `YAML > 5.0.1`
- `YAML` and `TinyXML` patch fixes
- Clang visibility fix
- Added write support for Truelight LUTs

- Improved OCIOYaml
- Python string corruption fix
- Added support for CDL
- Updated documentation
- Added args/kwargs support to Python MatrixTransform
- Added description field to Look objects
- Improved Python 3 compatibility
- CSP file read fix
- Added Linux, MacOS, and Windows continuous integration
- Improved 1D LUT extrapolation
- Improved 1D LUT negative handling
- Improved Windows build system
- Improved cross-platform build system
- Undefined role crash fix
- After Effects plugin updated
- Added reference Photoshop plugin
- Added reference Docker image

### **Version 1.0.9 (Sep 2 2013):**

- CDL cccid supports both named id and index lookups
- ociobakelut / ocioconvert updates
- FreeBSD compile fixes
- FileTransform disk cache allows concurrent disk lookups
- CSP windows fix
- Python 3 support
- Fix envvar abs/relative path testing
- Can explicitly declare config envvars
- gcc44 compile warning fixes

### **Version 1.0.8 (Dec 11 2012):**

- After Effects plugin
- Core increased precision for matrix inversion
- Core md5 symbols no longer leaked
- CMake compatibility with OIIO 1.0 namespacing
- Cmake option to control python soname
- Nuke register\_viewers defaults OCIODisplay to “all”
- Nuke ColorLookup <-> spi1d lut examples
- Windows uses boost shared\_ptr by default

- Windows fixed csp writing
- Windows build fixes
- ociobakelut supports looks

**Version 1.0.7 (April 17 2012):**

- IRIDAS .look support
- ociolutimage utility added (handles image <-> 3dlut)
- CMake build allows optional reliance on system libraries
- CMake layout changes for python and nuke installs
- Bumped internals to yaml 0.3.0, pystring 1.1.2
- Optimized internal handling of Matrix / Exponent Ops
- Added INTERP\_BEST interpolation option
- Python config.clearLooks() added
- Python docs revamp
- Nuke config-dependent knob values now baked into .nk scripts
- Nuke OCIOLookTransform gets reload button
- Nuke nodes get updated help text

**Version 1.0.6 (March 12 2012):**

- JNI (Java) updates
- ocioconvert arbitrary attr support

**Version 1.0.5 (Feb 22 2012):**

- Internal optimization framework added
- SetLoggingLevel(..) bugfix
- Python API Documentation / website updates
- Clang compilation fix

**Version 1.0.4 (Jan 25 2012):**

- ocio2icc deprecated (functionality merged into ociobakelut)
- rv integration (beta)
- nuke: updated channel handling
- Documentation / website updates

**Version 1.0.3 (Dec 21 2011):**

- Tetrahedral 3dlut interpolation (CPU only)
- ociocheck and Config.sanityCheck() have improved validation
- Mari: updated examples
- Makefile: misc updates to match distro library conventions

**Version 1.0.2 (Nov 30 2011):**

- 3D lut processing (cpu) is resilient to nans

- Nuke OCIOFileTransform gains Reload buttons
- Installation on multi-lib \*nix systems improved
- Installation handling of soversion for C++/python improved
- ociobakelut improvements
- Initial version of Java bindings (alpha)

### Version 1.0.1 (Oct 31 2011):

- Luts with incorrect extension are properly loaded
- ocio2icc / ociobakelut get -lut option (no longer requires ocio config)
- DisplayTransform looks do not apply to 'data' passes.

### Version 1.0.0 (Oct 3 2011):

- ABI Lockoff for 1.0 branch
- General API Cleanup (removed deprecated / unnecessary functions)
- New features can be added, but the ABI will only be extended in a binary compatible manner. Profiles written from 1.0 will always be readable in future versions.
- Fixed Truelight Reading Bug
- ocio2icc no longer requires ocio config (can provide raw lut(s))

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### Version 0.8.7 (Oct 3 2011):

- Fixed Truelight Reading Bug

### Version 0.8.6 (Sept 7 2011):

- Updated .ocio config reading / writing to be forwards compatible with 1.0 (Profiles written in 0.8.6+ will be 1.0 compatible. Compatibility from prior versions is likely, though not guaranteed.)
- Better logging
- Added ColorSpace.equalitygroup (makes ColorSpace equality explicit)
- Substantial Nuke node updates
- Added support for Iridas .itx read/write
- Windows Build Support

### Version 0.8.5 (Aug 2 2011):

- Nuke OCIODisplay fixed (bug from 0.8.4)
- Updated Houdini HDL Reader / Writer

### Version 0.8.4 (July 25 2011):

- Native Look Support
- Core / Nuke OCIODisplay supports alpha viewing
- Added Houdini (.lut) writing
- Added Pandora (.mga,.m3d) reading
- Additional internal bug fixes

### Version 0.8.3 (June 27 2011):

- OCIO::Config symlink resolution fixed (bugfix)
- Nuke OCIODisplay knobs use string storage (bugfix)
- Makefile cleanup
- Documentation cleanup

**Version 0.8.2 (June 7 2011):**

- Numerous Windows compatibility fixes
- Python binding improvements
- OCIO::Baker / ociobakelut improvements
- Lut1D/3D do not crash on nans (bugfix)
- Nuke UI doesnt crash in known corner case (bugfix)

**Version 0.8.1 (May 9 2011):**

- New roles: TEXTURE\_PAINT + MATTE\_PAINT
- Mari API Example (src/mari)
- FileFormat registry updated to allow Windows + Debug support
- boost\_ptr build compatibility option

**Version 0.8.0 (Apr 19 2011):**

- ABI Lockoff for stable 0.8 branch New features can be added, but the ABI will only be extended in a binary compatible manner
  - Otherwise identical to 0.7.9
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**Version 0.7.9 (Apr 18 2011):**

- Added support for .vf luts
- Misc. Nuke enhancements
- Adds optional boost ptr support (backwards compatibility)
- Makefile enhancements (Nuke / CMAKE\_INSTALL\_EXEC\_PREFIX)
- cdlTransform.setXML crash fix

**Version 0.7.8 (March 31 2011):**

- Iridas lut (.cube) bugfix, DOMAIN\_MIN / DOMAIN\_MAX now obeyed
- Exposed GPU functions in python (needed for Mari)
- Nuke OCIODisplay cleanup: Fixed knob names and added envvar support
- ociobaker cleanup
- tinyxml ABI visibility cleaned up
- Removed Boost dependency, tr1::shared\_ptr now used instead

**Version 0.7.7 (March 1 2011):**

- Lut baking API + standalone app
- Truelight runtime support (optional)

- Cinespace (3d) lut writing
- CSP prelut support
- Boost argparse dependency removed
- SanityCheck is more exhaustive
- FileTransform supports relative path dirs
- Python enhancements (transform kwarg support)
- Makefile enhancements (OIIO Path)
- Processor API update (code compatible, binary incompatible)

**Version 0.7.6 (Feb 1 2011):**

- Updated Config Display API (.ocio config format updated)
- Added ocio2icc app (ICC Profile Generation)
- Revamp of ASC CDL, added .cc and .ccc support
- Documentation Improvements
- Makefile enhancements (Boost\_INCLUDE\_DIR, etc)

**Version 0.7.5 (Jan 13 2011):**

- ociodisplay enhancements
- gpu display bugfix (glsl profile 1.0 only)
- Makefile enhancements
- Nuke installation cleanup
- Doc generation using sphinx (html + pdf)

**Version 0.7.4 (Jan 4 2011):**

- Added 'Context', allowing for 'per-shot' Transforms
- Misc API Cleanup: removed old functions + fixed const-ness
- Added config.sanityCheck() for validation
- Additional Makefile configuration options, SONAME, etc.

**Version 0.7.3 (Dec 16 2010):**

- Added example applications: ociodisplay, ocioconvert
- Makefile: Add boost header dependency
- Makefile: Nuke plugins are now version specific
- Fixed bug in GLSL MatrixOp

**Version 0.7.2 (Dec 9 2010):**

- GPUAllocation refactor (API tweak)
- Added AllocationTransform
- Added LogTransform
- Removed CineonLogToLinTransform
- A few bug fixes

**Version 0.7.1 (Nov 15 2010):**

- Additional 3d lut formats: Truelight .cub + Iridas .cube
- FileTransform supports envvars and search paths
- Added Nuke plugins: LogConvert + FileTransform
- Improved OCIO profile formatting
- GCC visibility used (when available) to hide private symbols
- A few bug fixes

**Version 0.7.0 (Oct 21 2010):**

- Switched file format from XML to Yaml
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**Version 0.6.1 (Oct 5 2010):**

- Exposed ExponentTransform
- Added CineonLogToLinTransform - a simple ‘straight-line’ negative linearization. Not strictly needed (could be done previously with LUTs) but often convenient to have.
- Added DisplayTransform.displayCC for post display lut CC.
- Many python improvements
- A few bug fixes
- A few Makefile enhancements

**Version 0.6.0 (Sept 21 2010):**

- Start of 0.6, “stable” branch

All 0.6.x builds will be ABI compatible (forward only). New features (even experimental ones) will be added to the 0.6 branch, as long as binary and source compatibility is maintained. Once this no longer is possible, a 0.7 “dev” branch will be forked.

- Split public header into 3 parts for improved readability (you still only import <OpenColorIO/OpenColorIO.h> though)
  - Added MatrixTransform
  - Refactored internal unit testing
  - Fixed many compile warnings
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**Version 0.5.16 (Sept 16 2010):**

- PyTransforms now use native python class inheritance
- OCIO namespace can now be configured at build time (for distribution in commercial apps)
- Updated make install behavior
- DisplayTransform accepts generic cc operators (instead of CDL only)
- A few bug fixes / compile warning fixes

**Version 0.5.15 (Sept 8 2010):**

- OCIO is well behaved when \$OCIO is unset, allowing un-color-managed use.

- Color Transforms can be applied in python config->getProcessor
- Simplification of API (getColorSpace allows cs name, role names, and cs objects)
- Makefile enhancements (courtesy Malcolm Humphreys)
- A bunch of bug fixes

### **Version 0.5.14 (Sept 1 2010):**

- Python binding enhancements
- Simplified class implementations (reduced internal header count)

### **Version 0.5.13 (Aug 24 2010):**

- GPU Processing now supports High Dynamic Range color spaces
- Added log processing operator
- Numerous bug fixes
- Numerous enhancements to python glue
- Exposed PyOpenColorIO header, for use in apps that require custom python glue
- Matrix op is optimized for diagonal-only subcases
- Numerous changes to Nuke Plugin (now with an addition node, OCIODisplay)

### **Version 0.5.12 (Aug 18 2010):**

- Additional DisplayTransform improvements
- Additional GPU Improvements
- Added op hashing (processor->getGPULut3DCacheID)

### **Version 0.5.11 (Aug 11 2010):**

- Initial DisplayTransform implementation
- ASC CDL Support
- Config Luma coefficients

### **Version 0.5.10 (July 22 2010):**

- Updated Nuke Plugin, now works in OSX
- Fixed misc. build warnings.
- Continued GPU progress (still under development)

### **Version 0.5.9 (June 28 2010):**

- Renamed project, classes, namespaces to OpenColorIO (OCIO)
- Added single-pixel processor path
- Improved python path makefile detection
- Continued GPU progress (still under development)

### **Version 0.5.8 (June 22 2010):**

- Support for .3dl
- Support for matrix ops
- Code refactor (added Processors) to support gpu/cpu model

- Much better error checking
- Compilation support for python 2.5
- Compilation support for OSX

**Version 0.5.7 (June 14 2010):**

- Python API is much more fleshed out
- Improved public C++ header

**Version 0.5.6 (June 8 2010):**

- PyConfig stub implementation
- Dropped ImageDesc.init; added PlanarImageDesc / PackedImageDesc
- Dropped tr1::shared\_ptr; added boost::shared\_ptr

**Version 0.5.5 (June 4 2010):**

- .ocio supports path references
- Switch config envvar to \$OCIO
- Added 3D lut processing ops

**Version 0.5.4 (June 1 2010):**

- Initial Release
- CMake linux support
- XML OCIO format parsing / saving
- Example colorspace configuration with a few 'trivial' colorspace
- Mutable colorspace configuration API
- Support for 1D lut processing
- Support for SPI 1D fileformats.
- Nuke plugin

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