

**Lecture 5:**

# **Texture Mapping**

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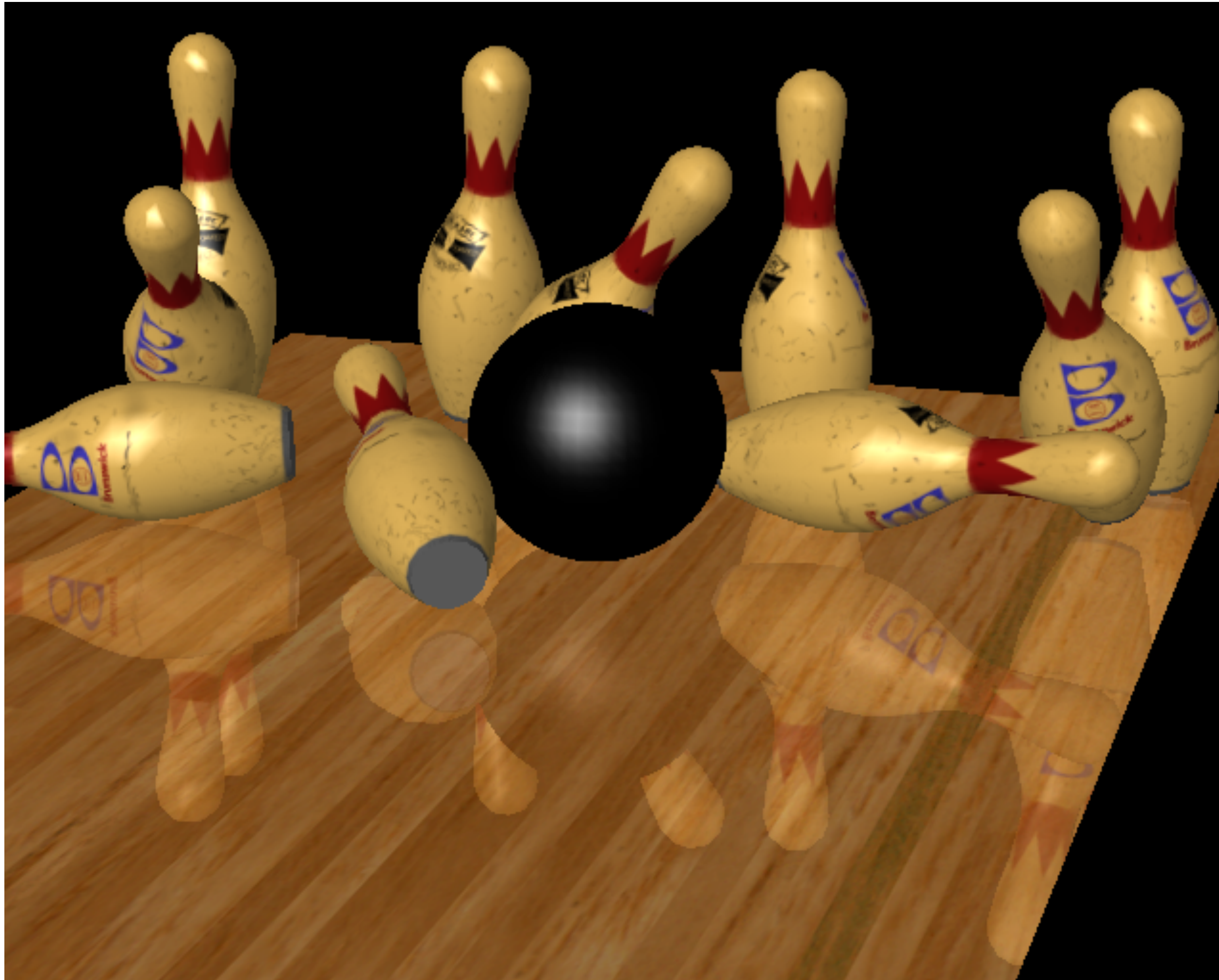
# Texture Mapping Has Many Uses



**Pattern on ball**

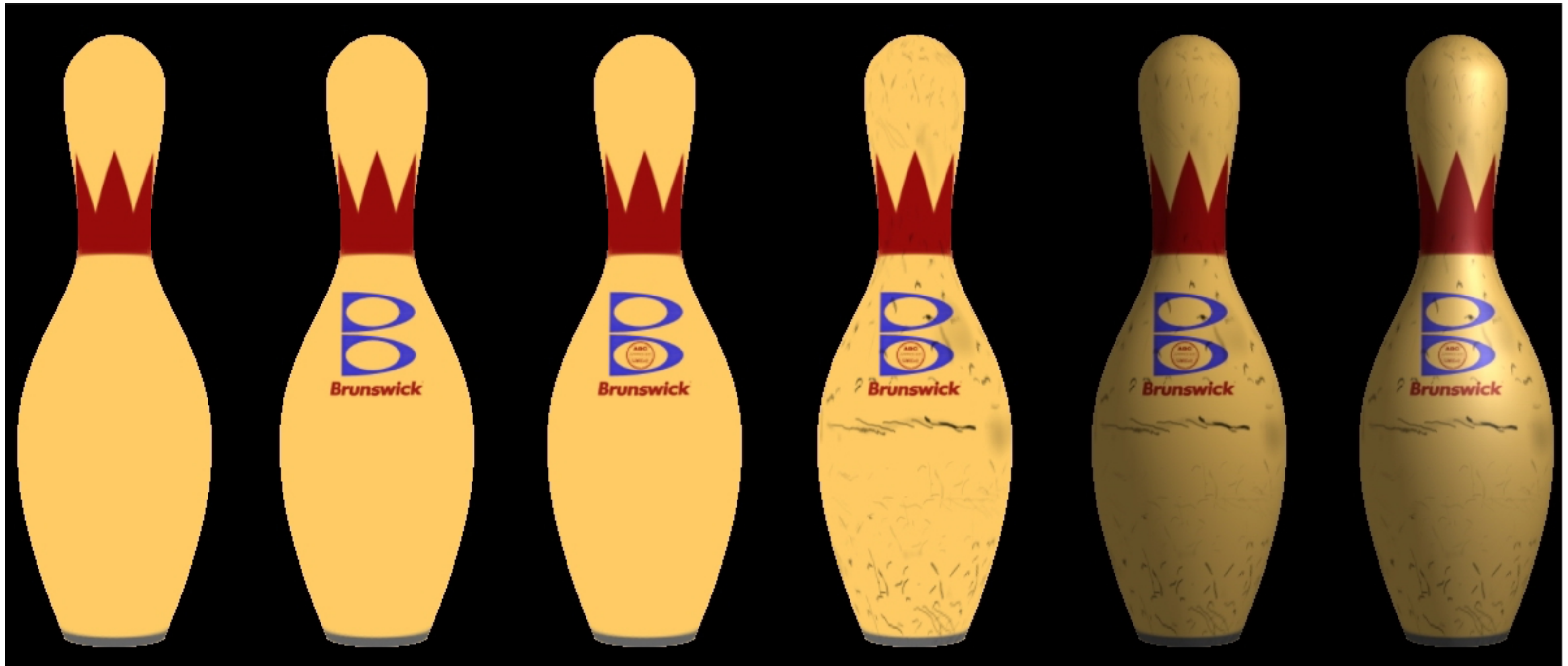
**Wood grain on floor**

# Describe Surface Material Properties



Proudfoot et al.

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Chan et al.

- Add details without raising geometric complexity
- Paste image onto geometry or define procedurally

# **Texture Coordinate Mappings**

# Think Chocolate Wrappers

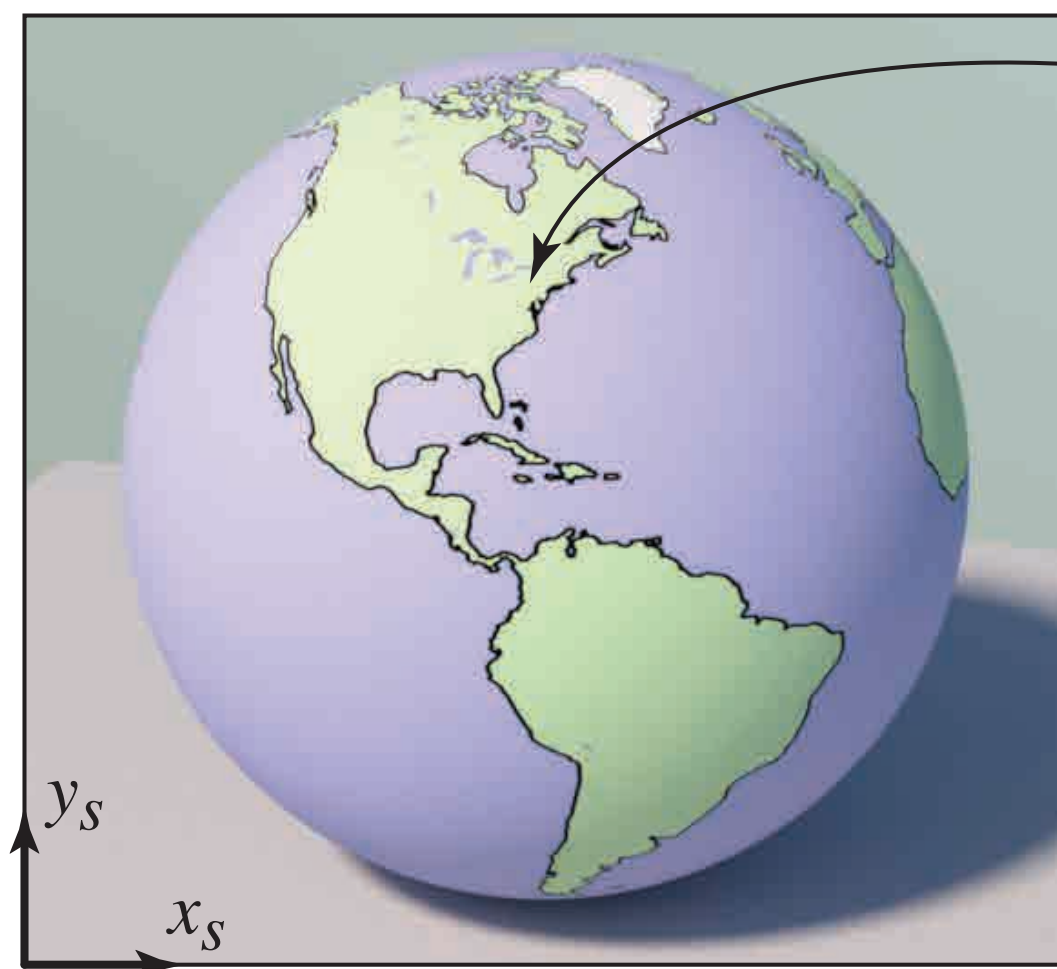
Texture image



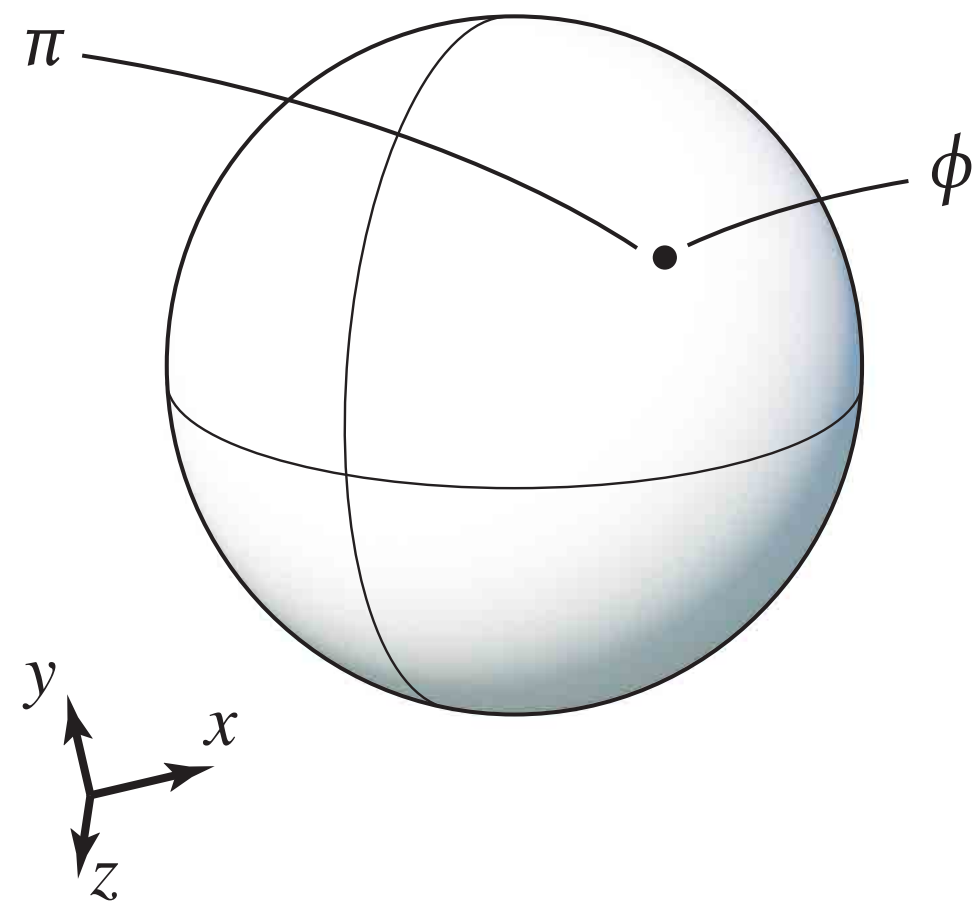
# Three Spaces

Surface lives in 3D world space

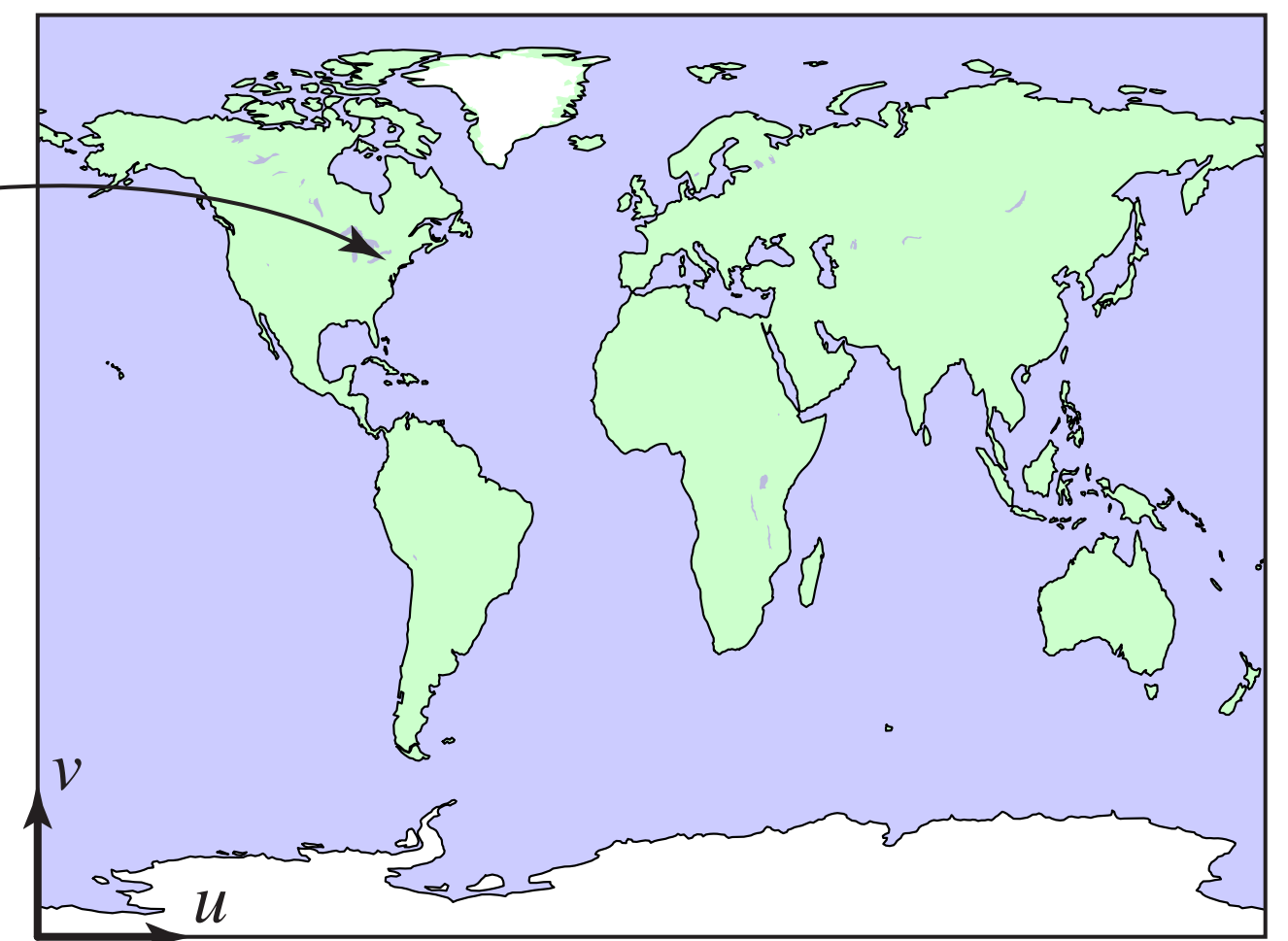
Every 3D surface point also has a place where it goes in the 2D image and in the 2D texture.



Screen space



World space



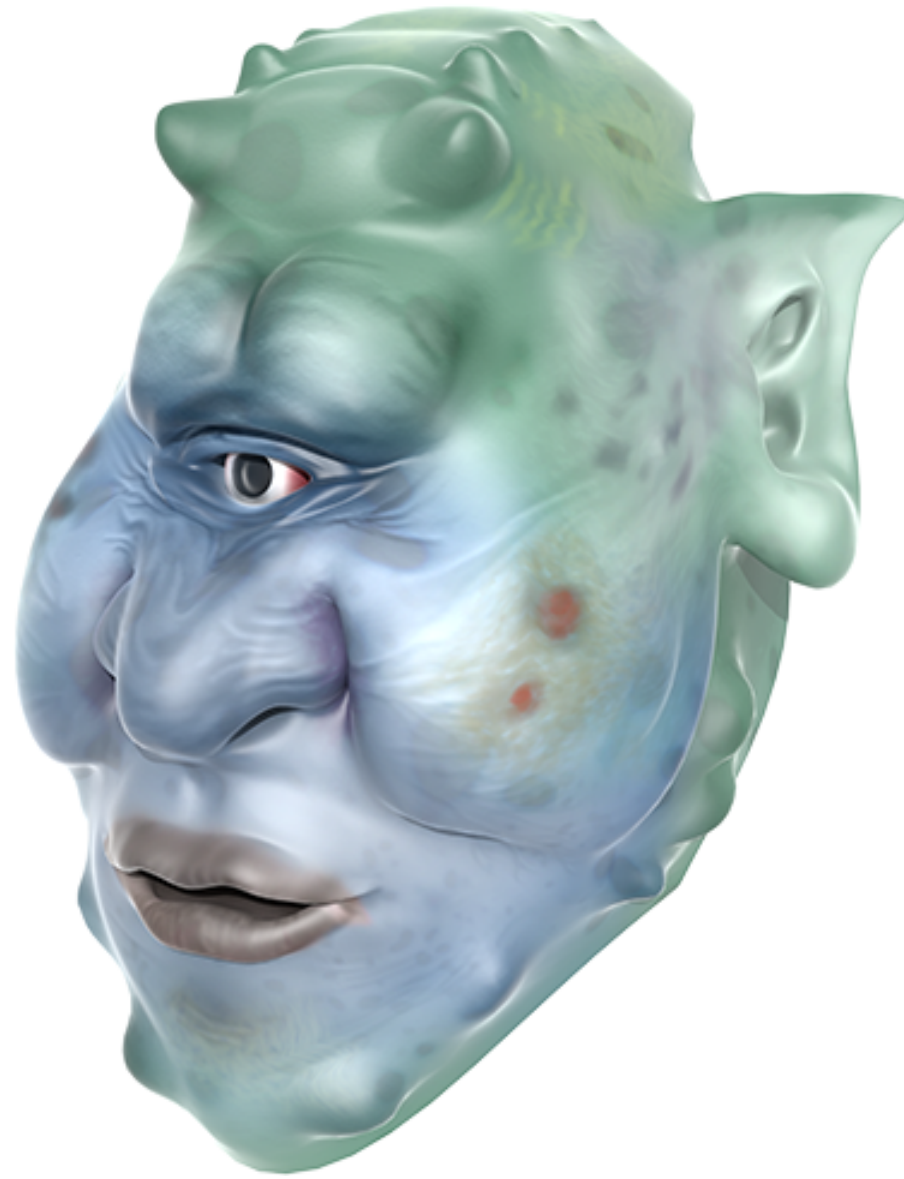
Texture space

# Image Texture Applied to Surface

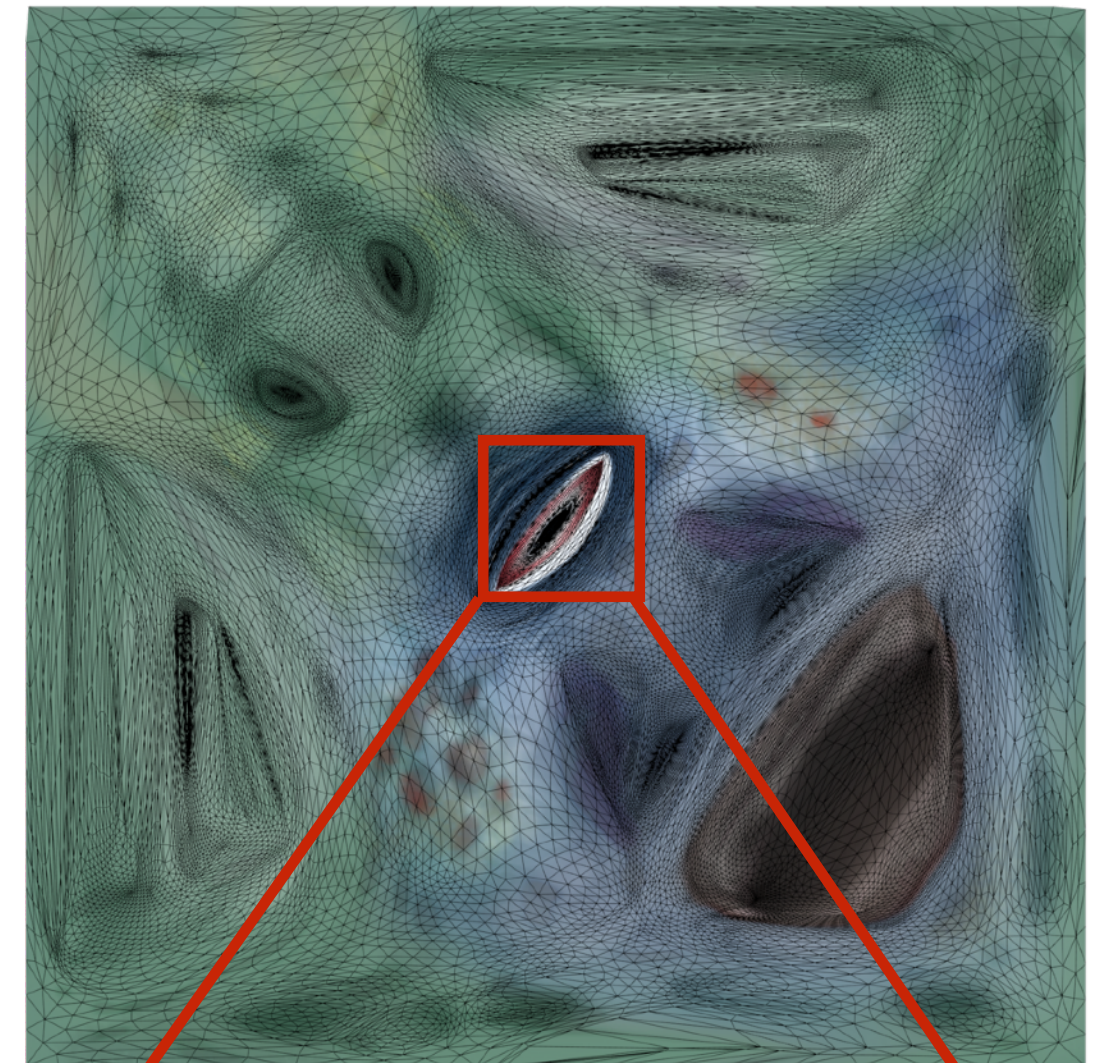
Rendering without texture



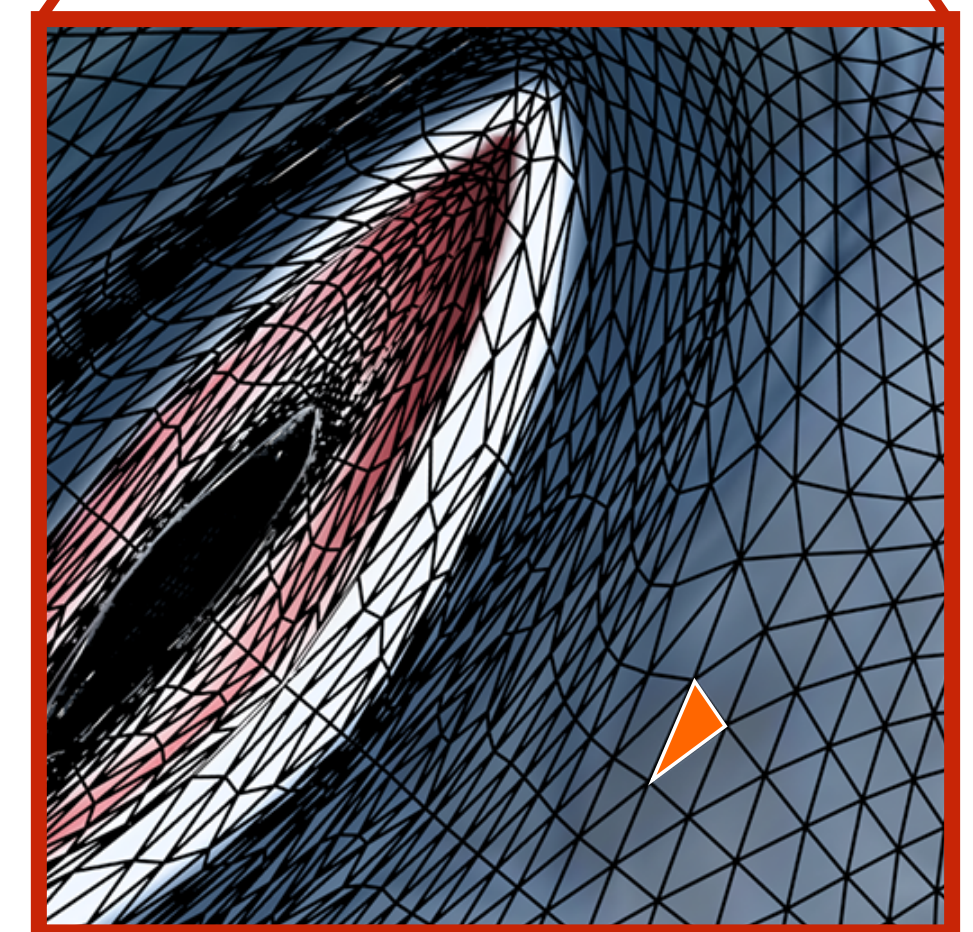
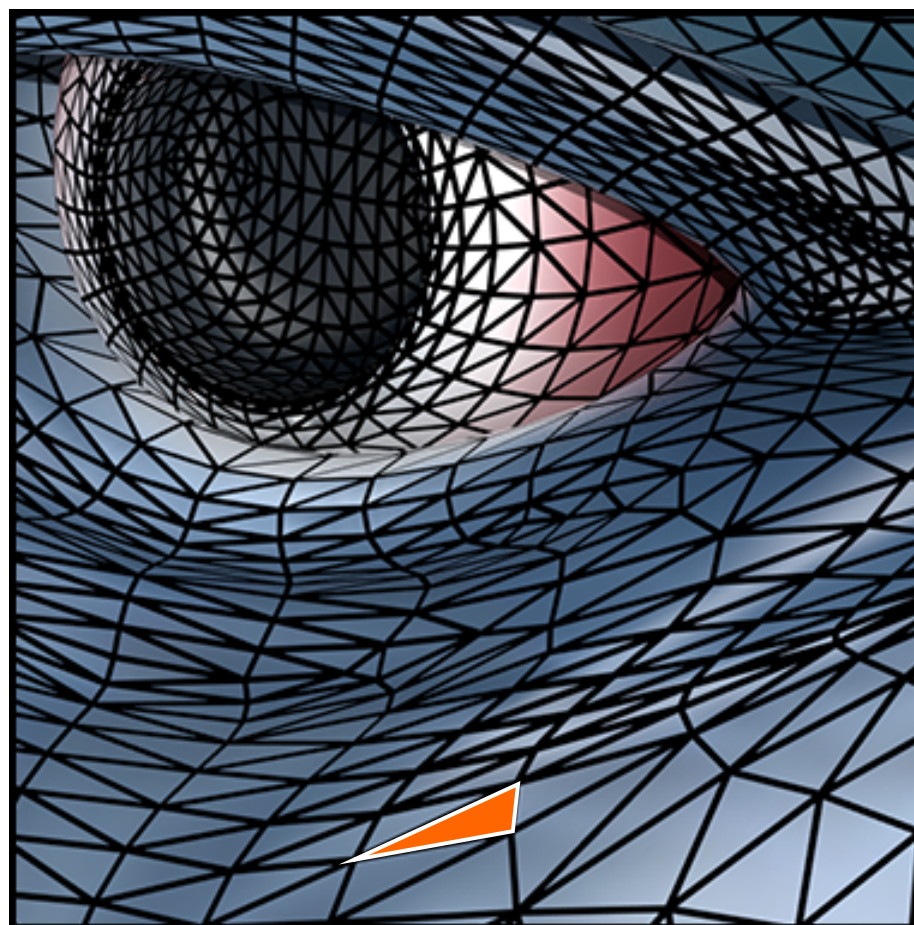
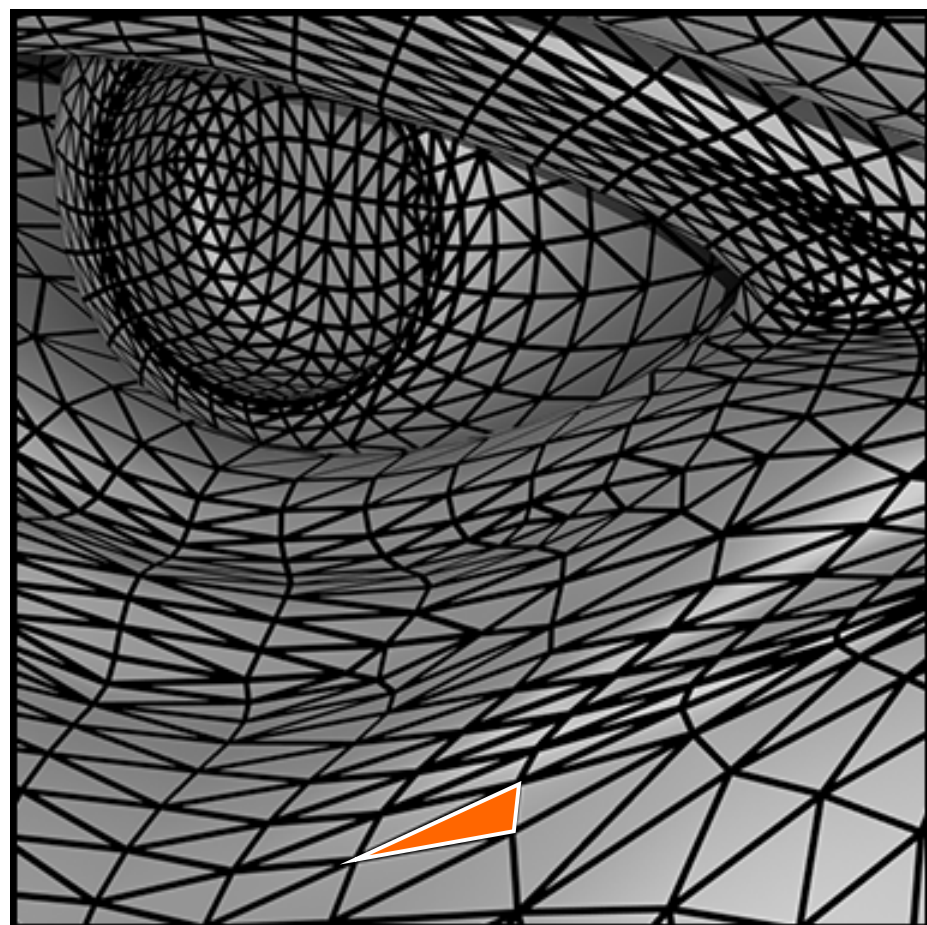
Rendering with texture



Texture image



Zoom



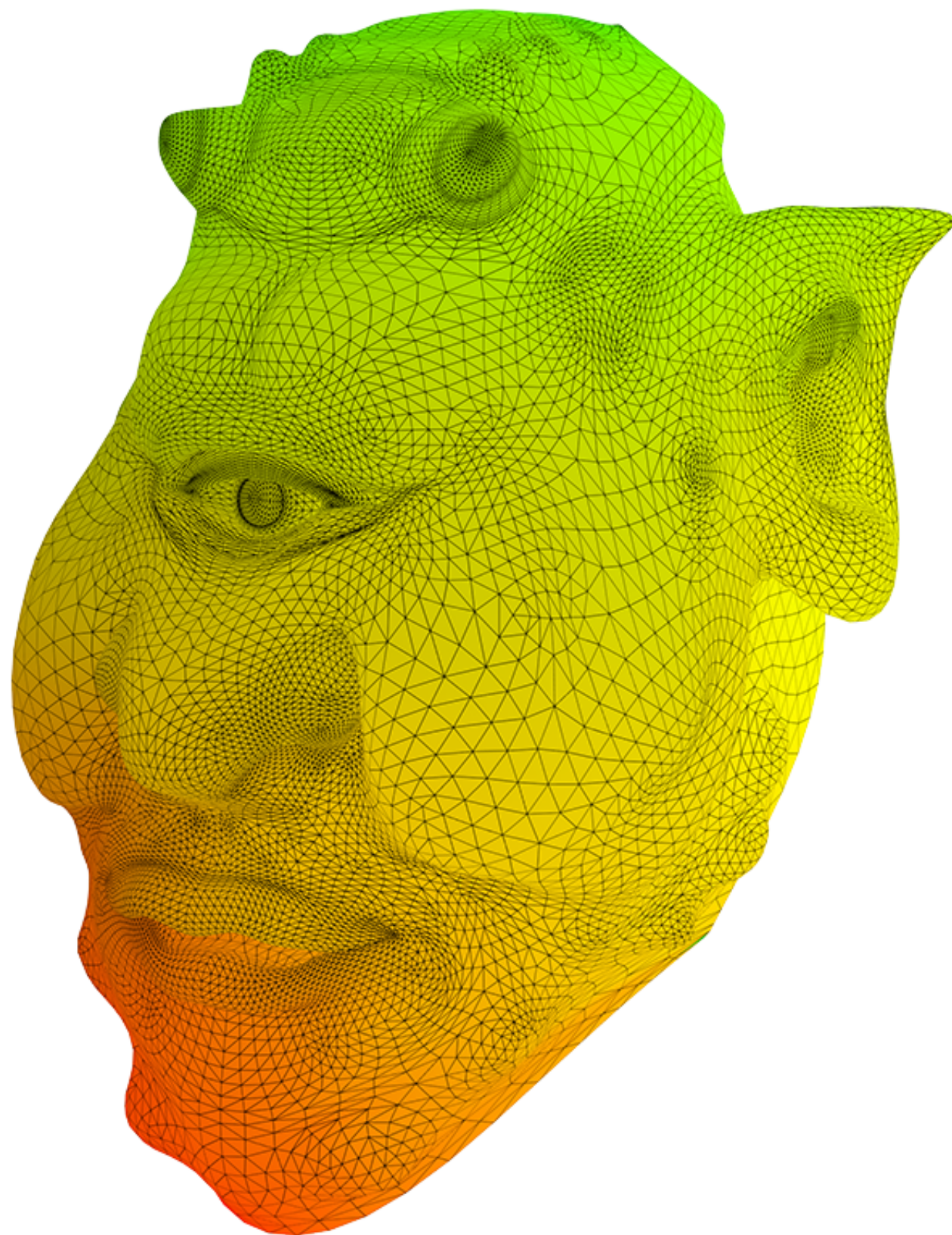
Each triangle "copies" a piece of the texture image back to the surface.



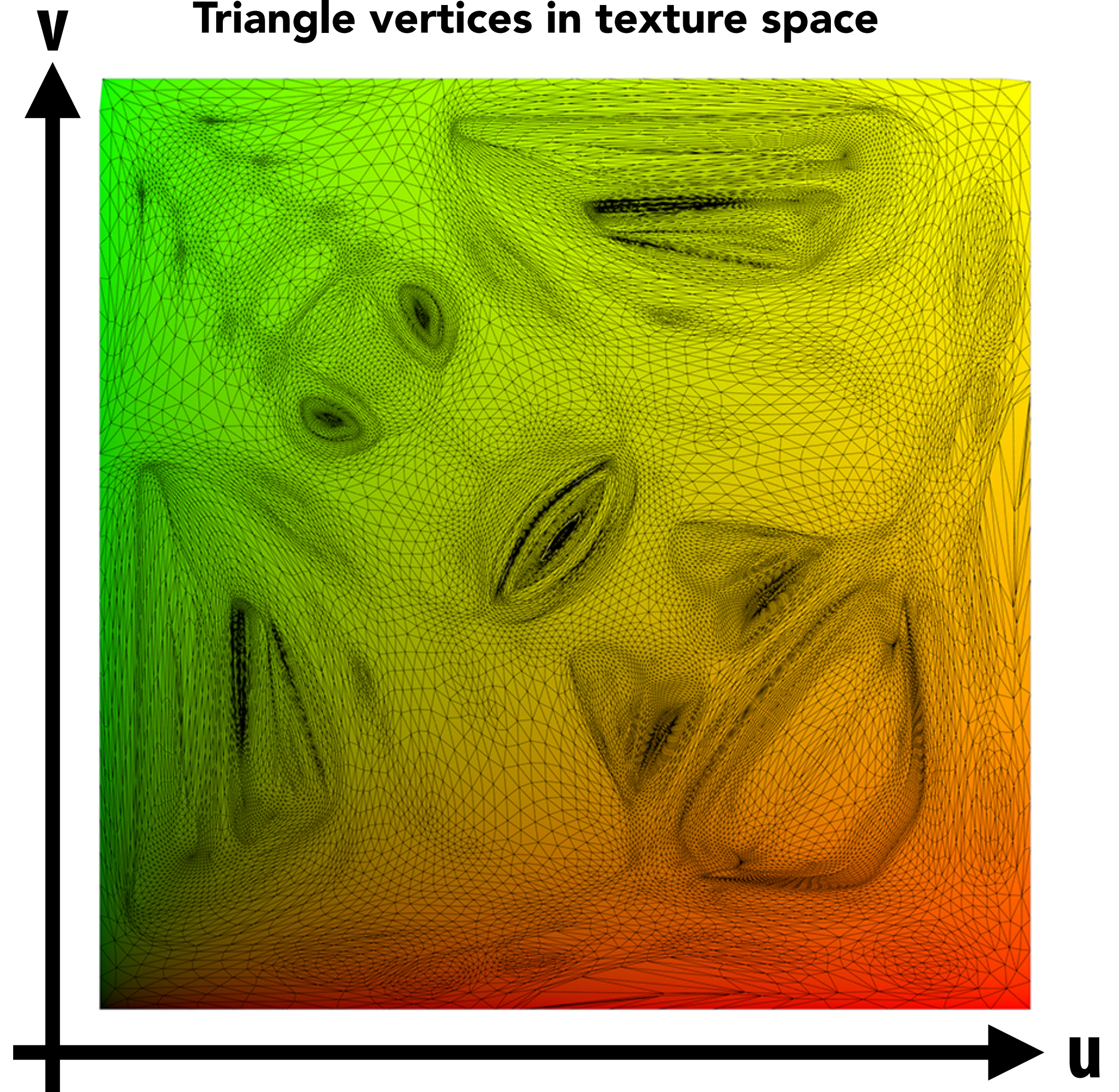
# Visualization of Texture Coordinates

Each surface point is assigned a texture coordinate  $(u,v)$

Visualization of texture coordinates



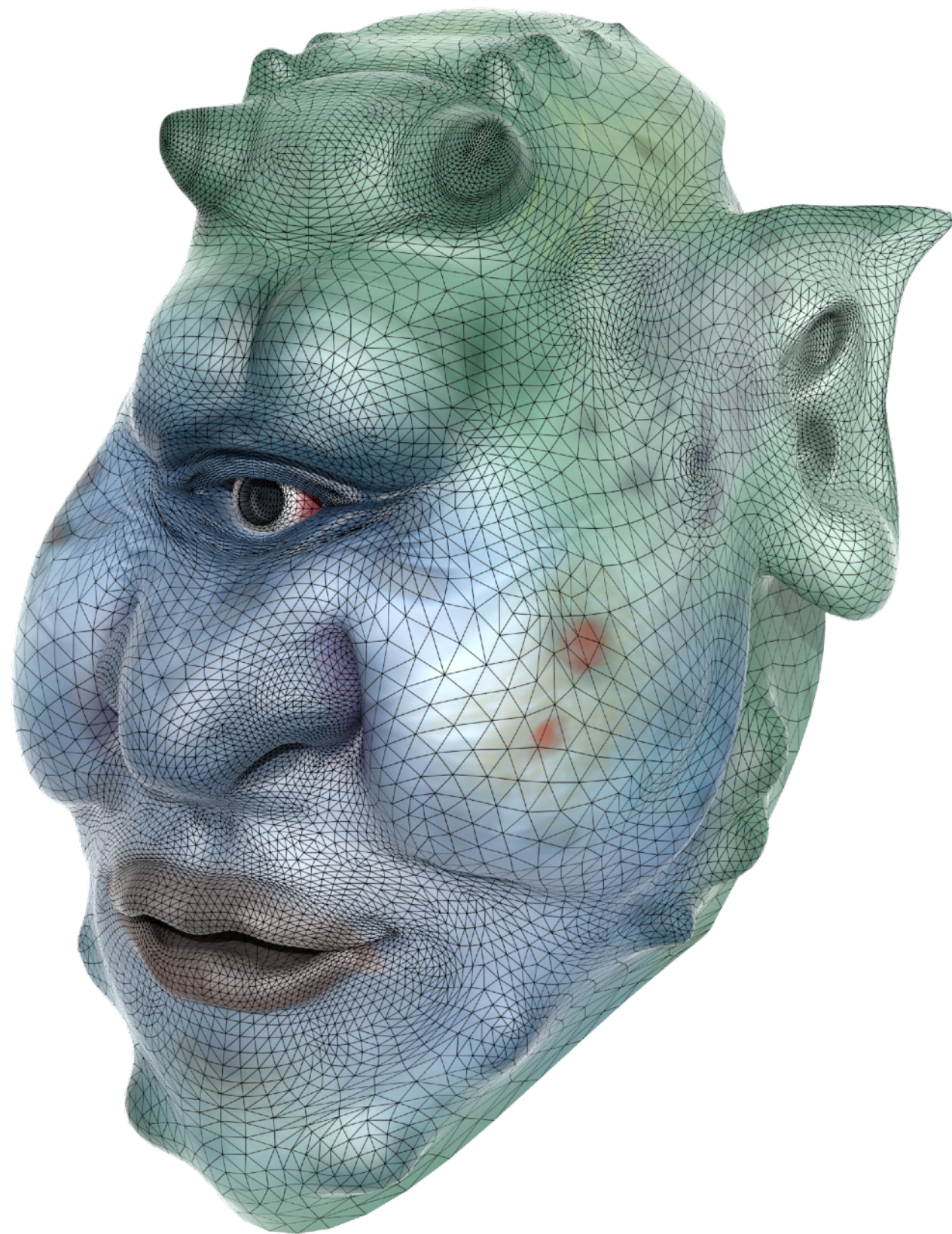
Triangle vertices in texture space



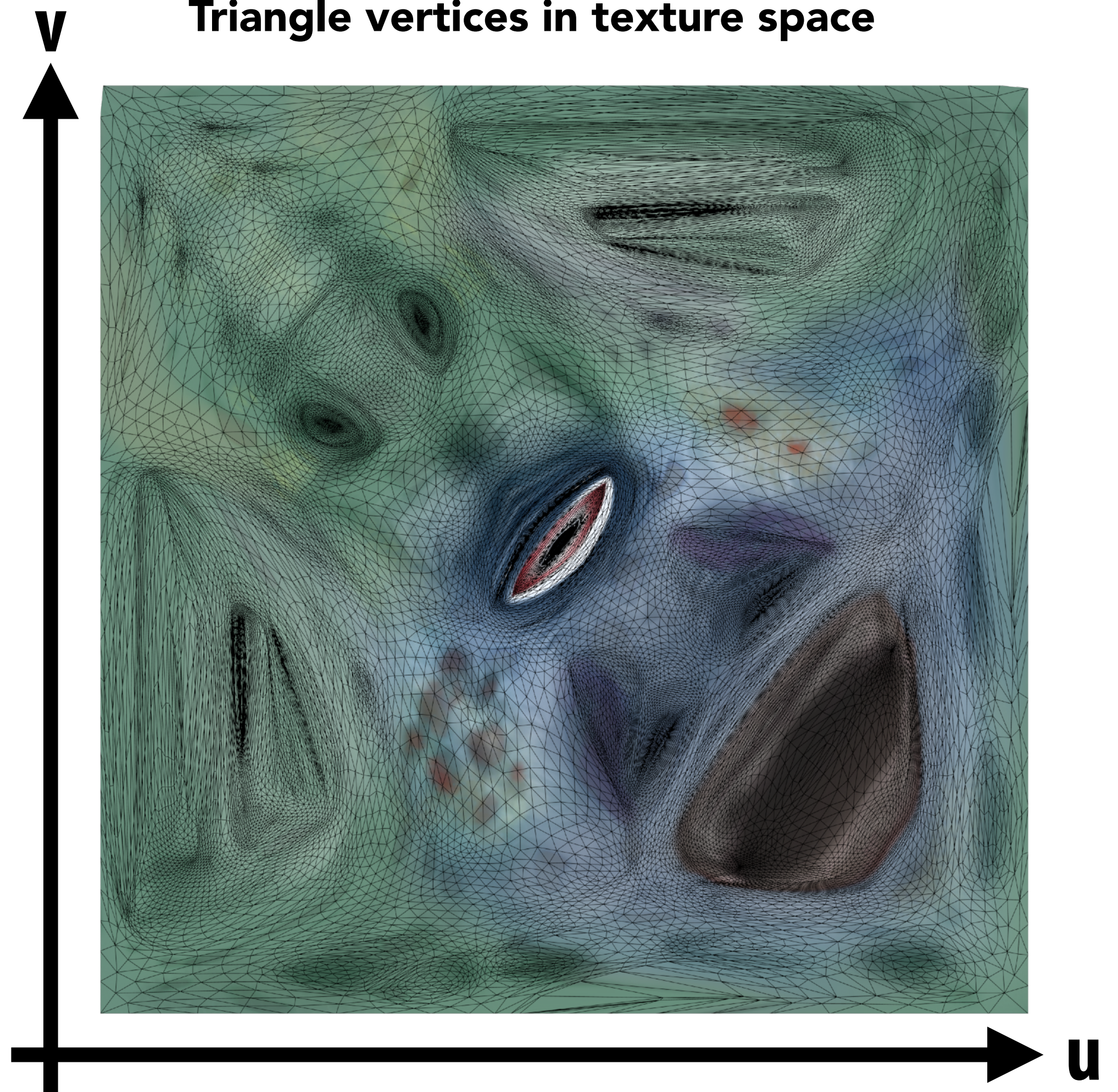
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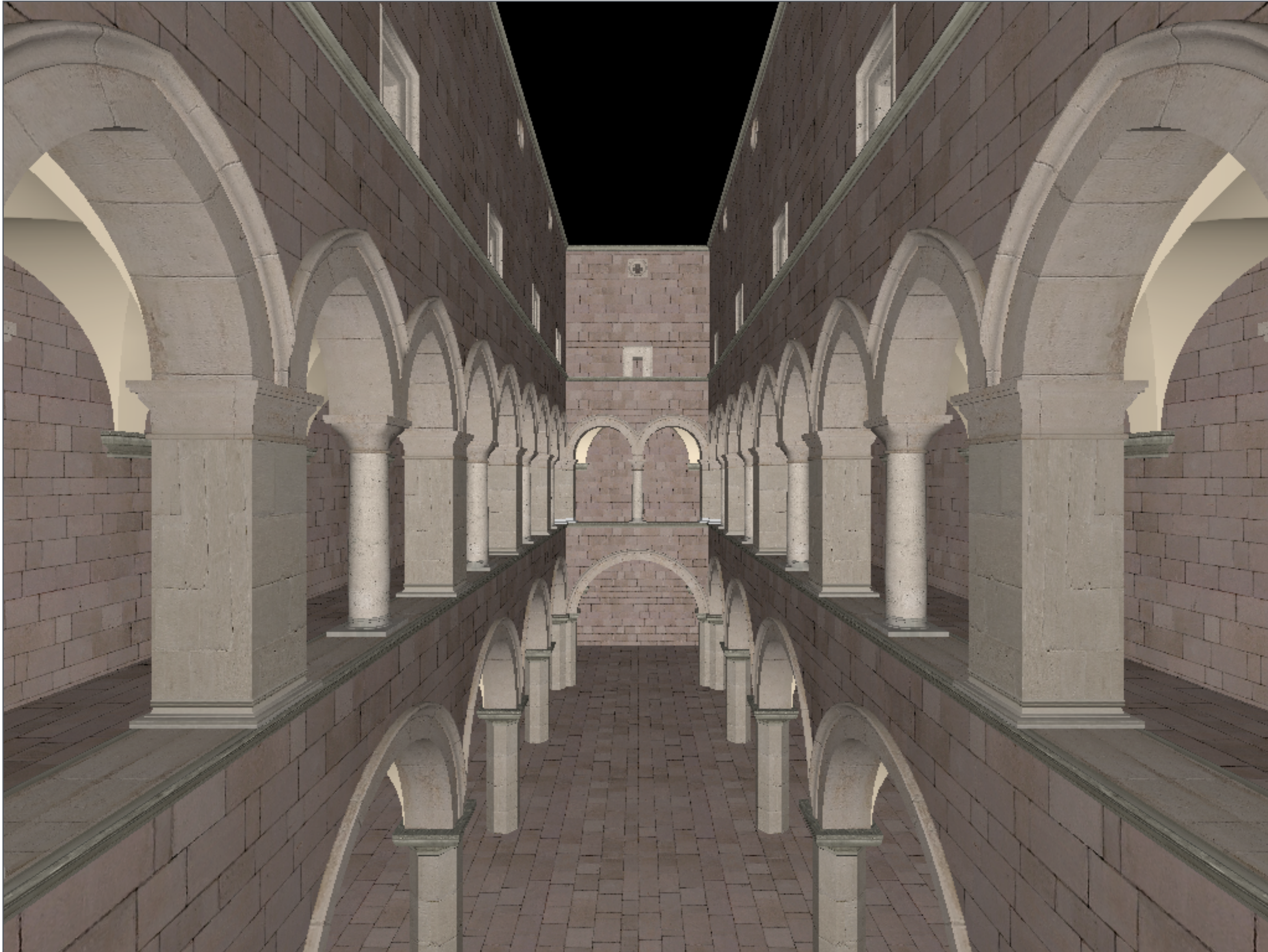
Rendered result



Triangle vertices in texture space

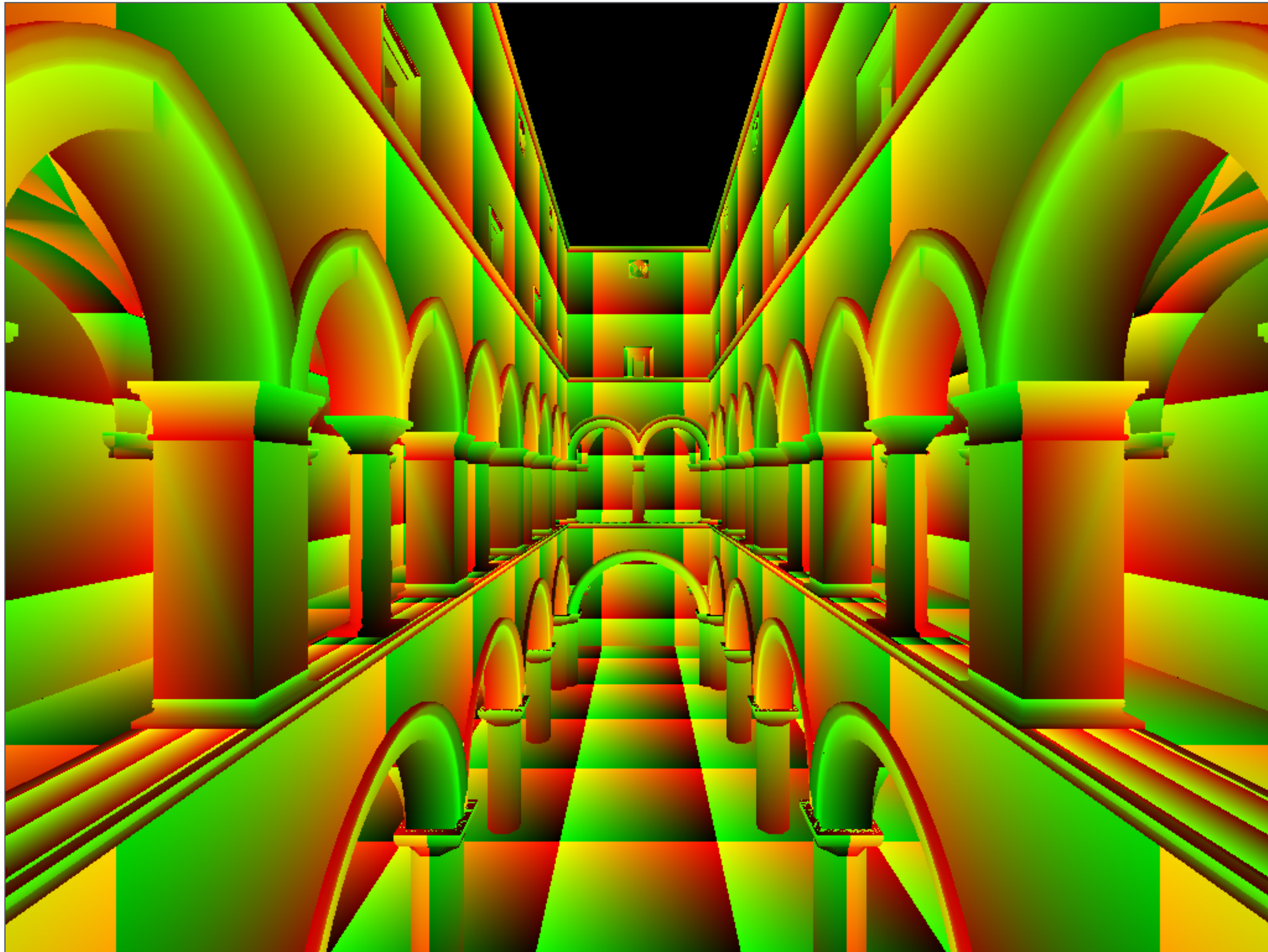


# Sponza Palace Model



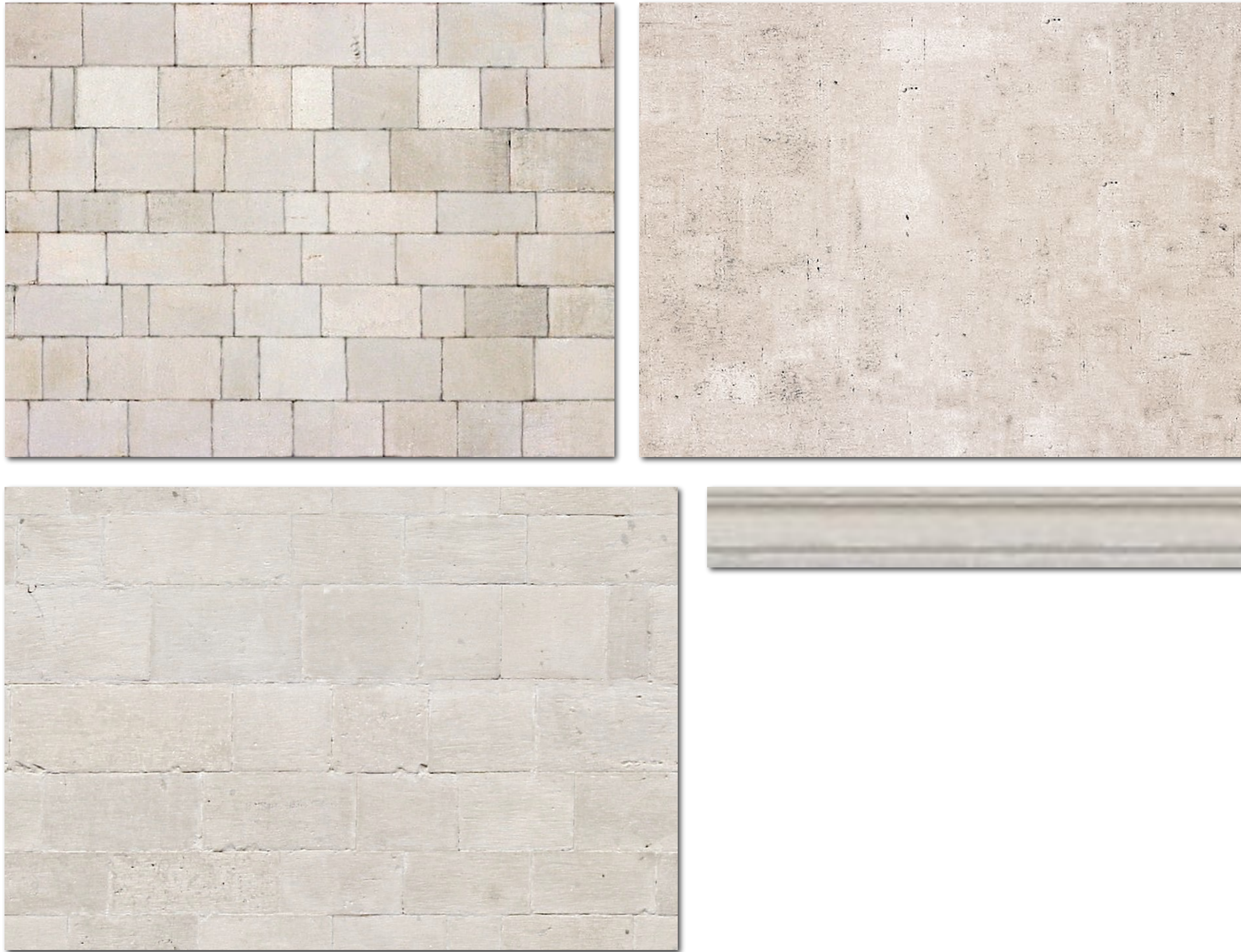
**Textures applied to surfaces**

# Sponza Palace Model



Visualization of texture coordinates

# Sponza Palace Model



**Example textures used**

# **Interpolation Across Triangles: Barycentric Coordinates**

# Interpolation Across Triangles

Why do we want to interpolate?

- Specify values (e.g. texture coordinates) at vertices, and obtain smoothly varying values across surface

What do we want to interpolate?

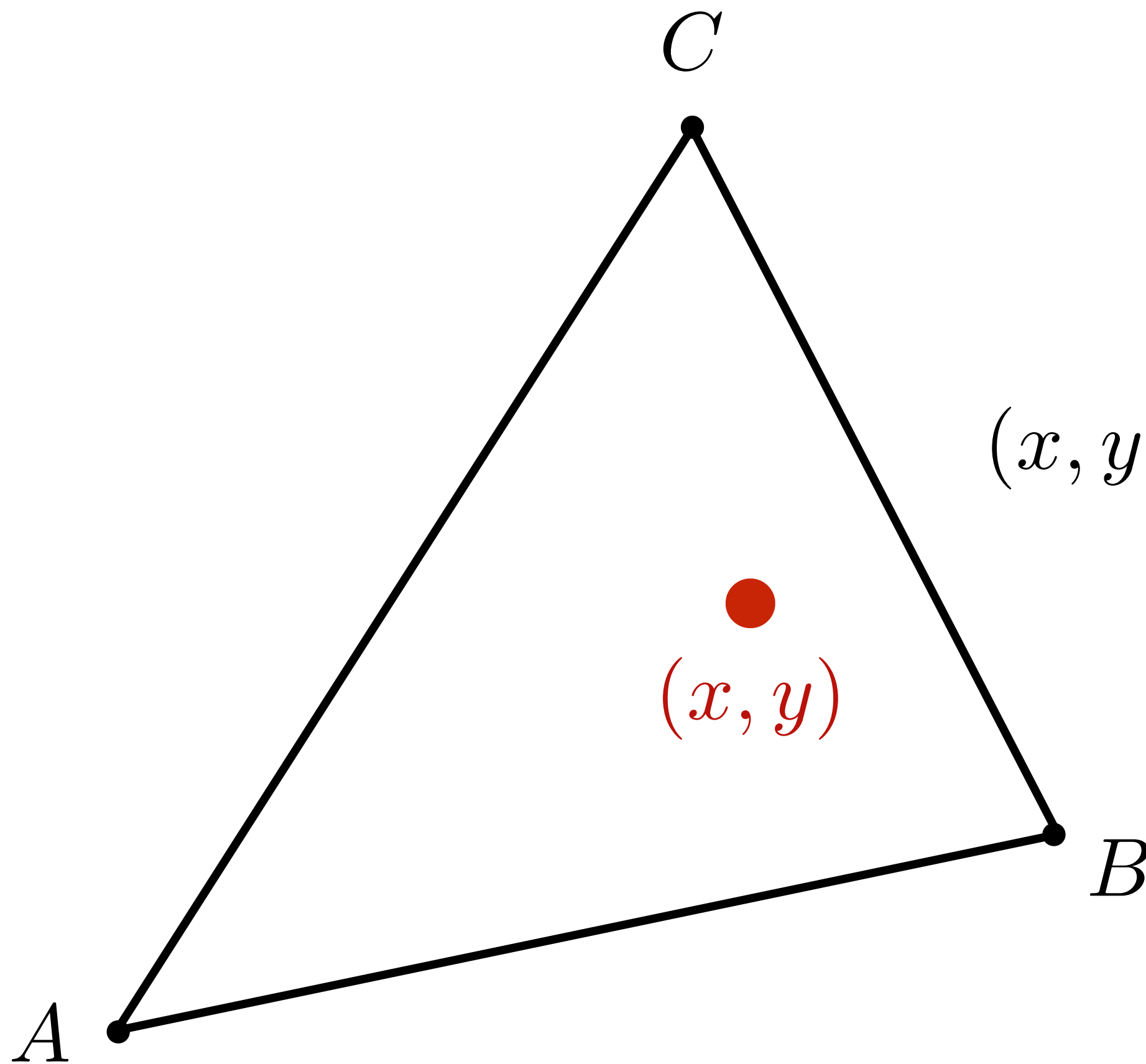
- Texture coordinates, colors, normal vectors, ...

How do we interpolate?

- Barycentric coordinates

# Barycentric Coordinates

A coordinate system for triangles  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$



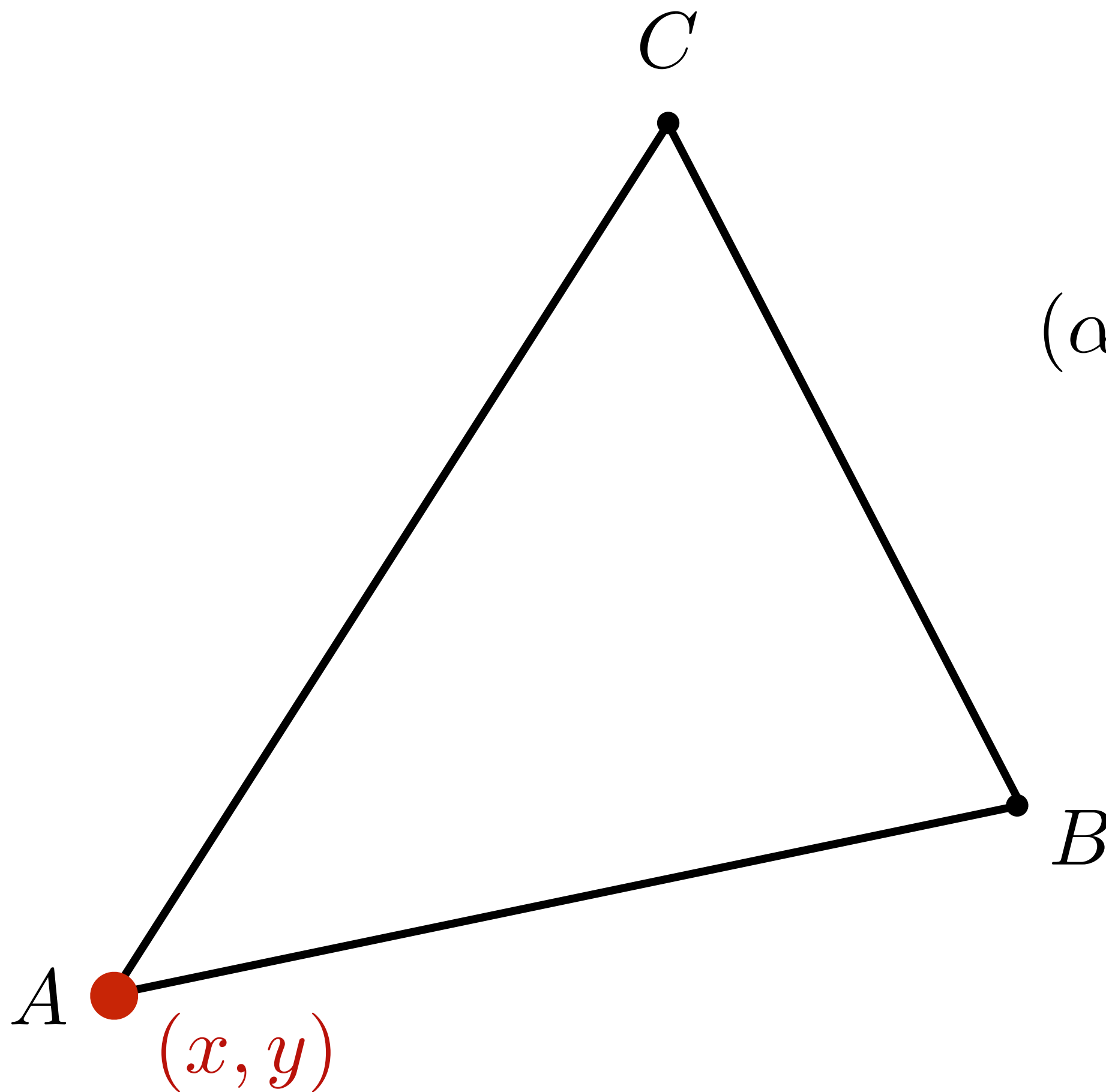
$$(x, y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$

Inside the triangle if all three coordinates are non-negative



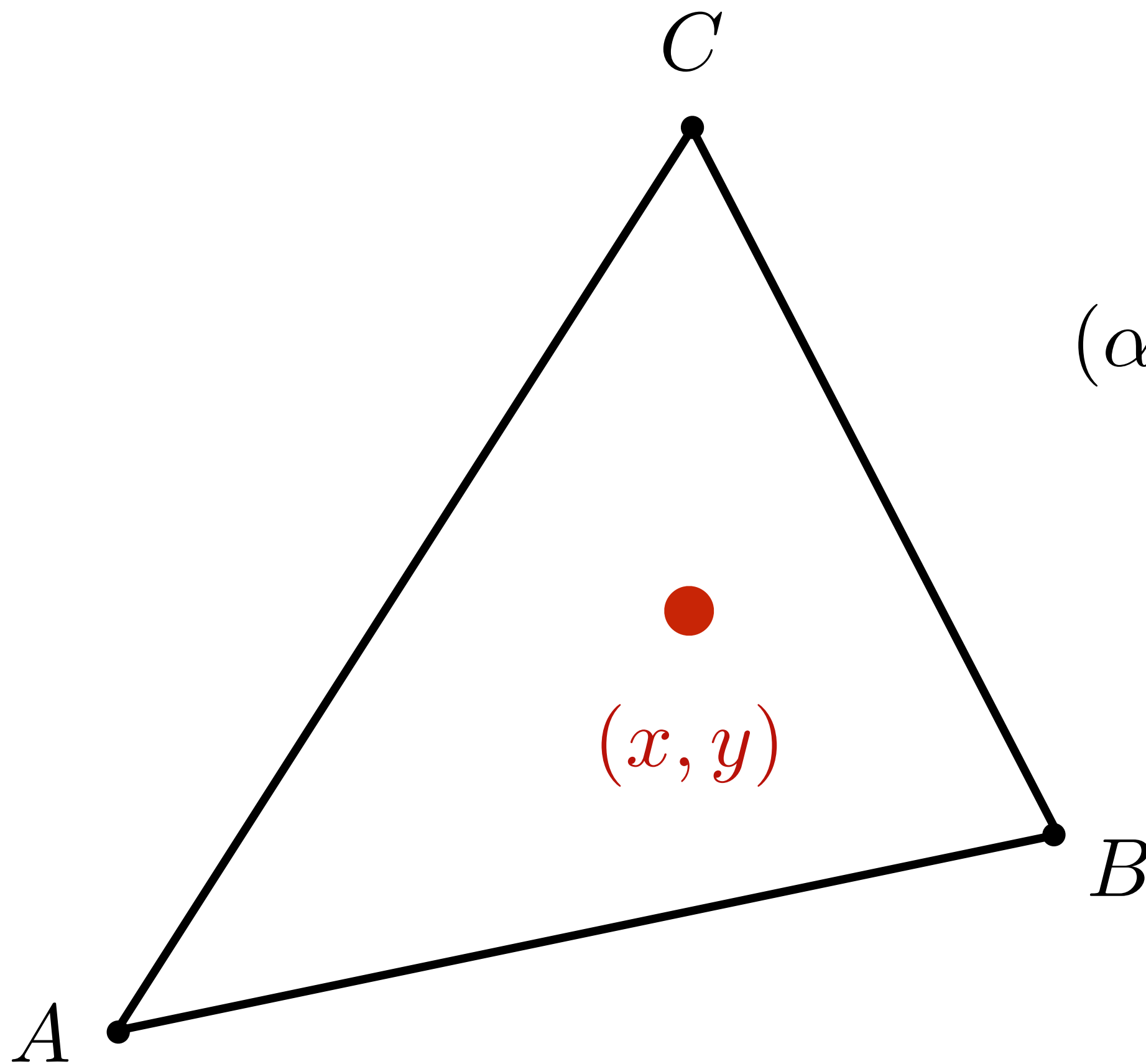
# Barycentric Coordinates - Examples



$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$(x, y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$
$$= A$$

# Barycentric Coordinates - Examples

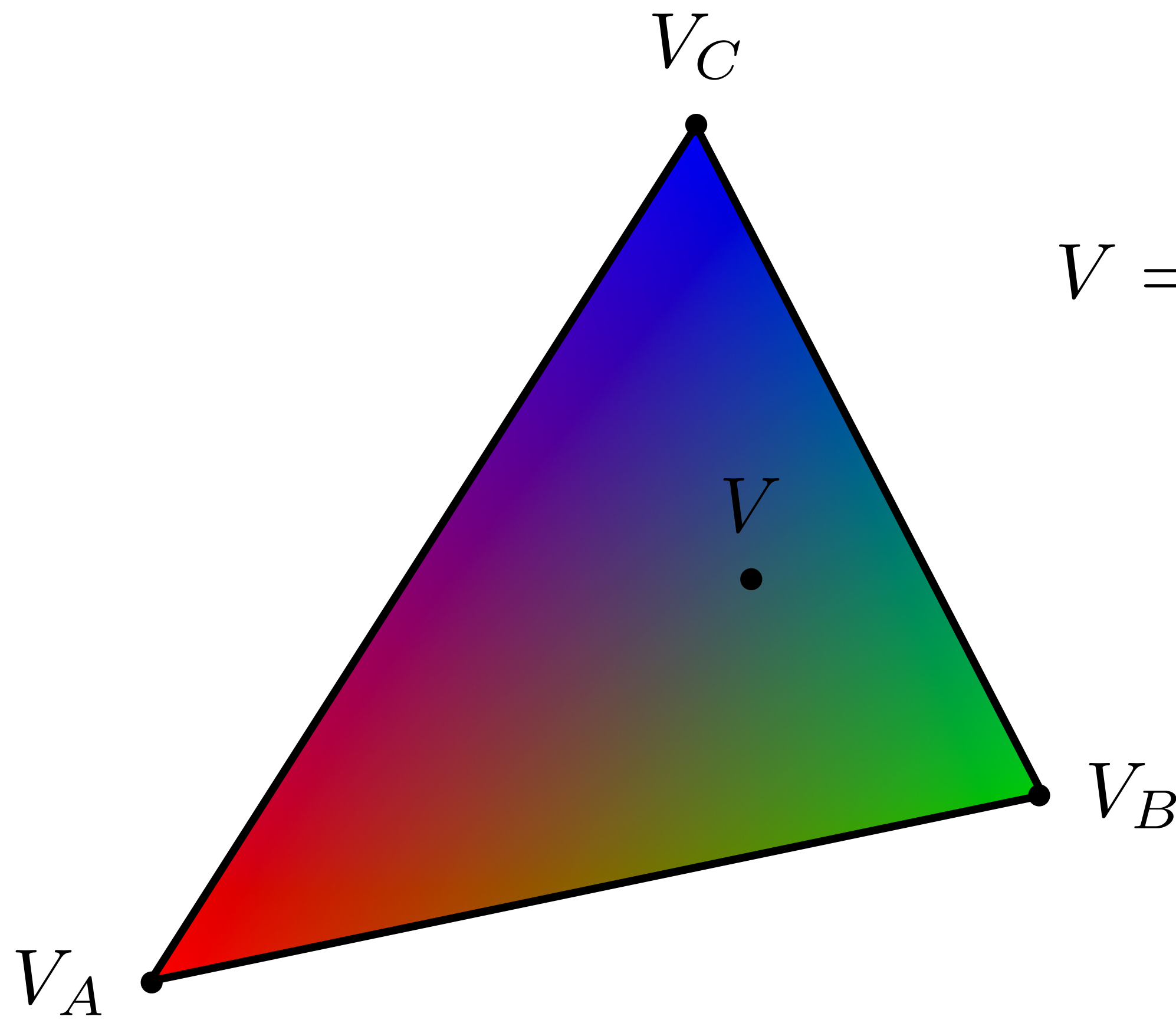


$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$(x, y) = \frac{1}{3} A + \frac{1}{3} B + \frac{1}{3} C$$

# Linear Interpolation Across Triangle

Barycentric coords linearly interpolate values at vertices

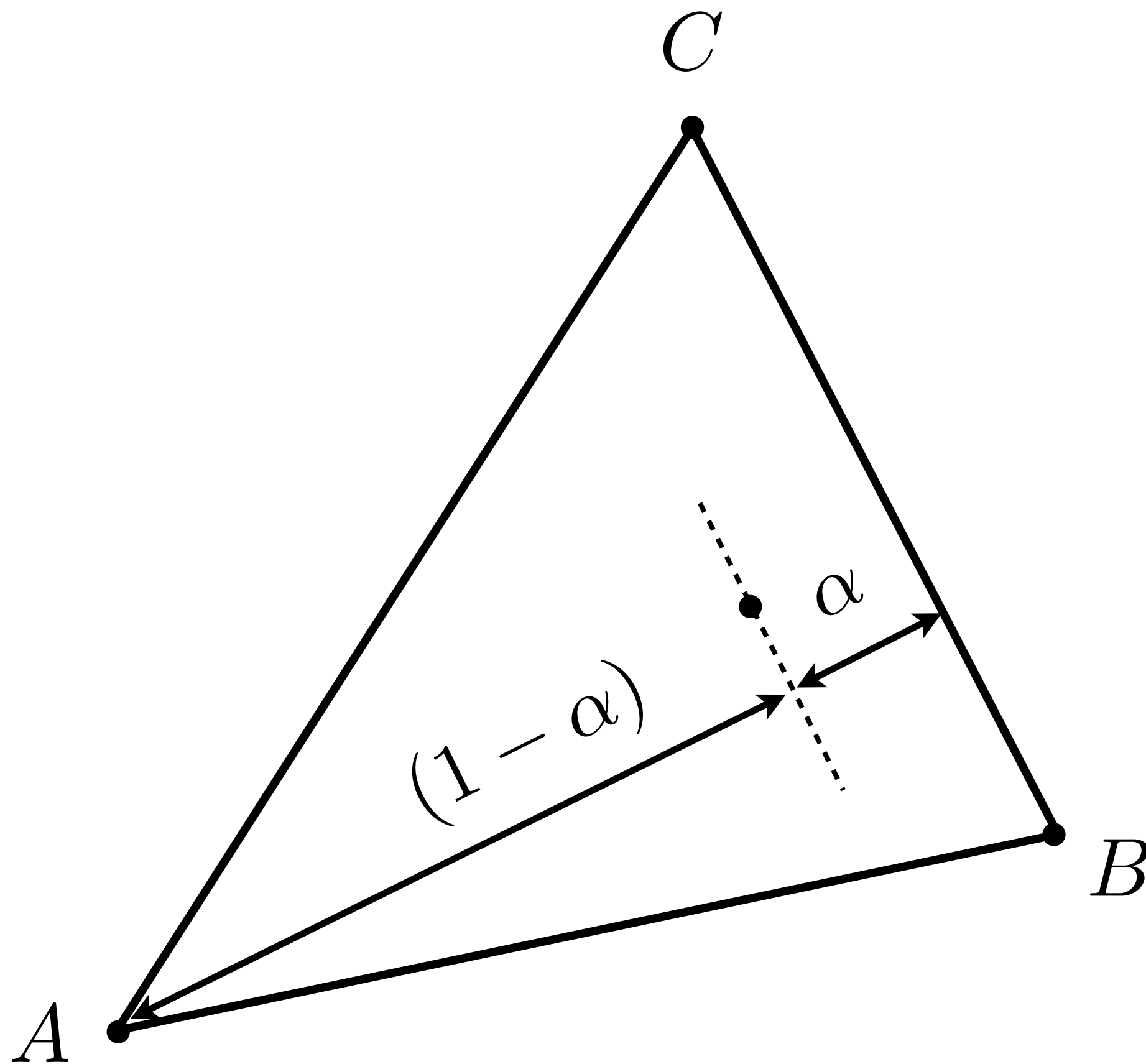


$$V = \alpha V_A + \beta V_B + \gamma V_C$$

$V_A, V_B, V_C$  can be positions, texture coordinates, color, normal vectors, material attributes...

# Barycentric Coordinates

Geometric viewpoint — proportional distances



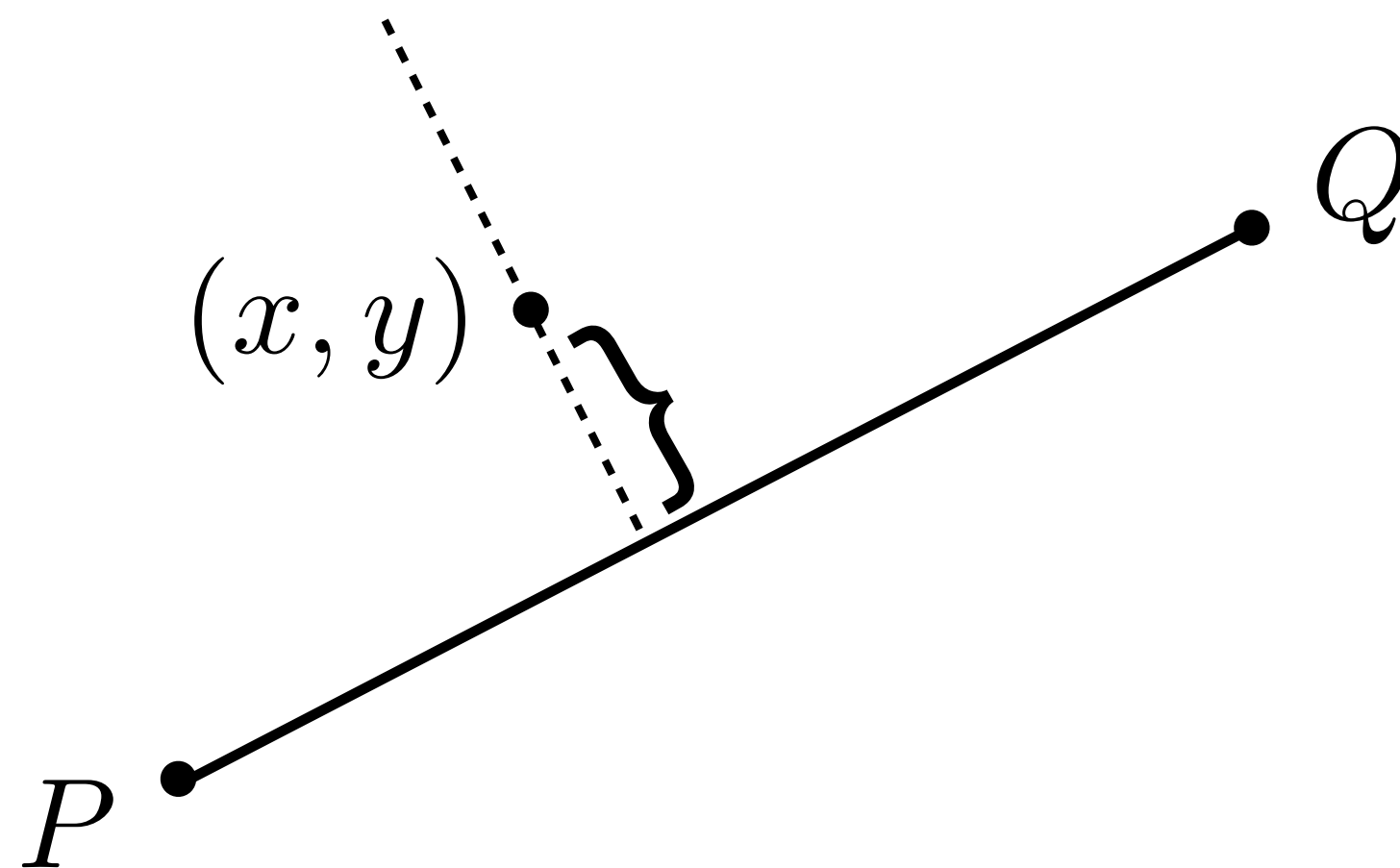
Similar construction  
for other coordinates

# Computing Barycentric Coordinates

Recall the line equation we derived in Lecture 2.

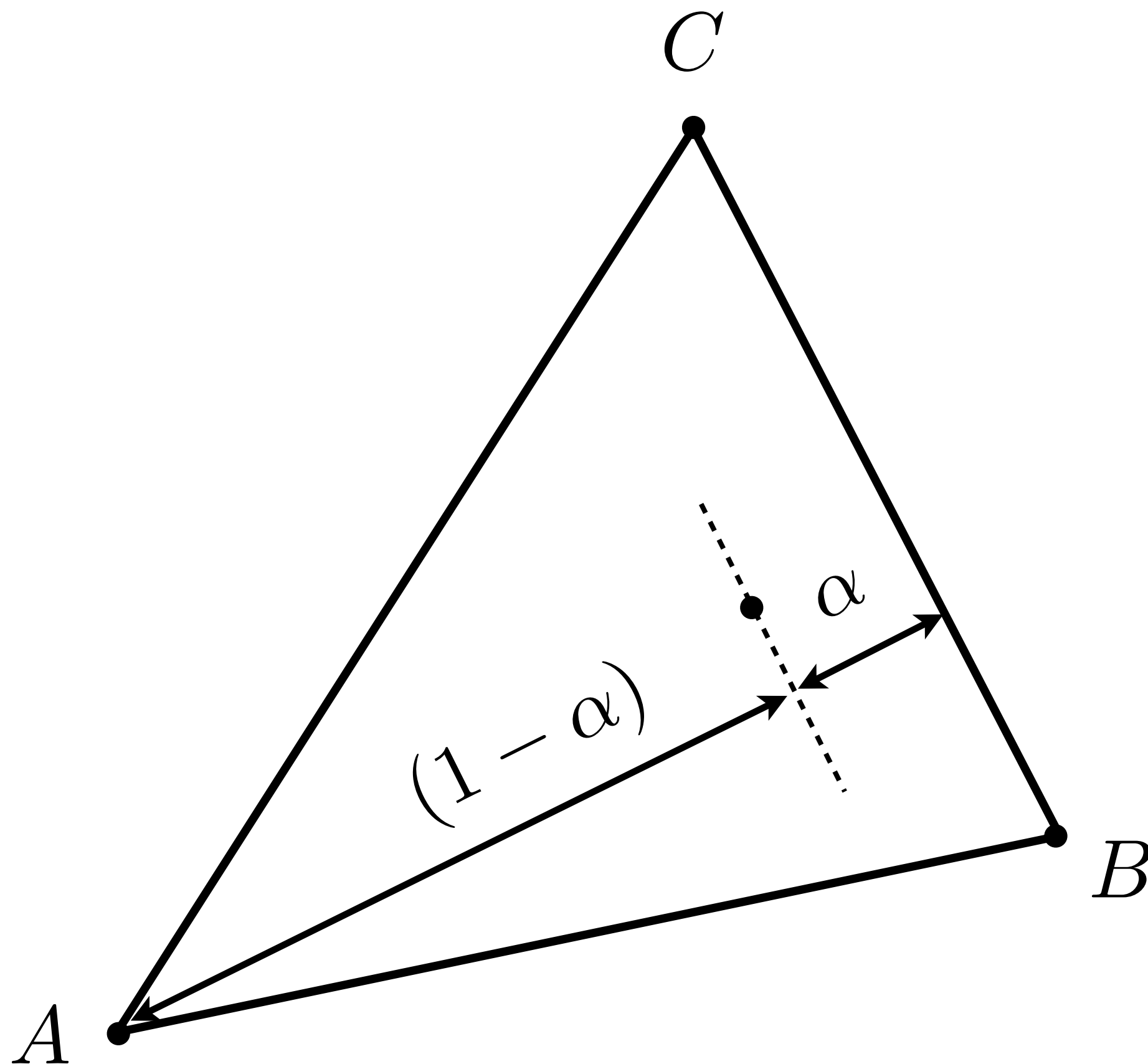
$L_{PQ}(x,y)$  is proportional to the distance from line  $PQ$ .

$$L_{PQ}(x,y) = -(x - x_P)(y_Q - y_P) + (y - y_P)(x_Q - x_P)$$



# Computing Barycentric Coordinates

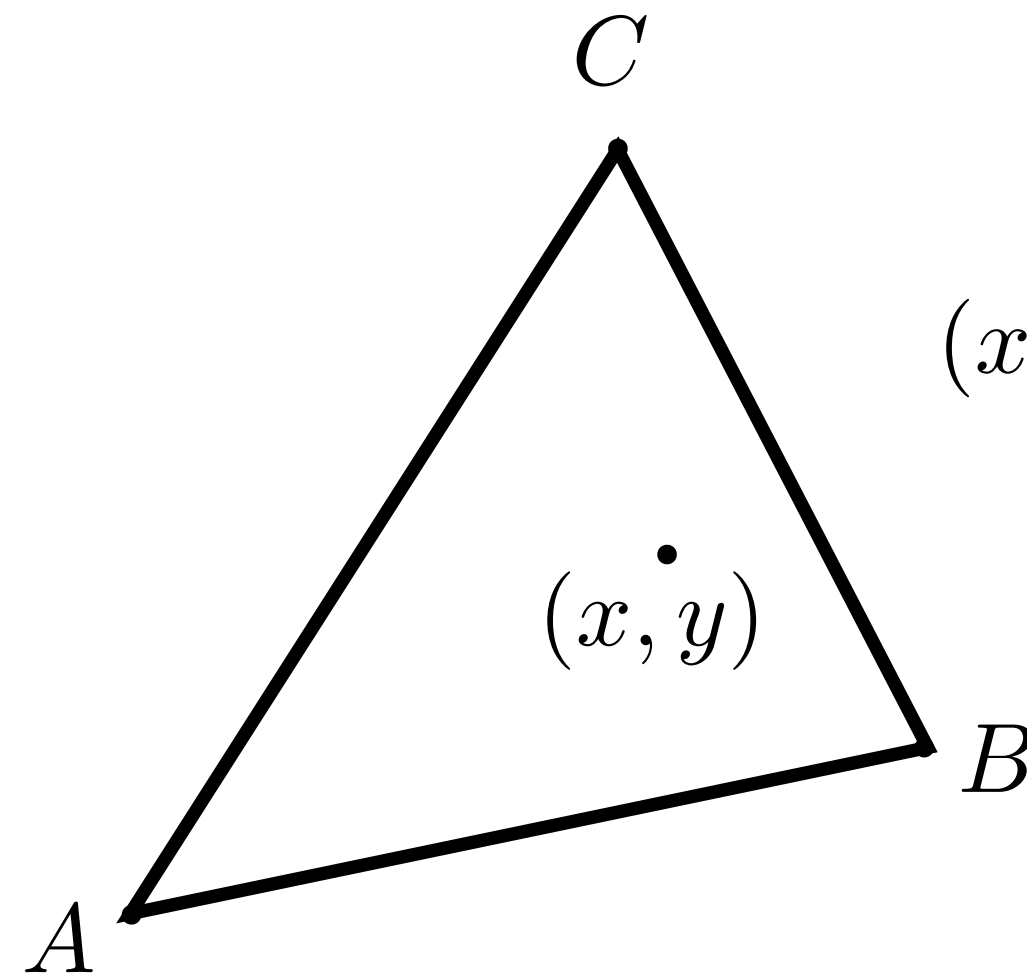
Geometric viewpoint — proportional distances



$$\alpha = \frac{L_{BC}(x, y)}{L_{BC}(x_A, y_A)}$$

**Similar construction  
for other coordinates**

# Barycentric Coordinate Formulas



$$(x, y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$
$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$

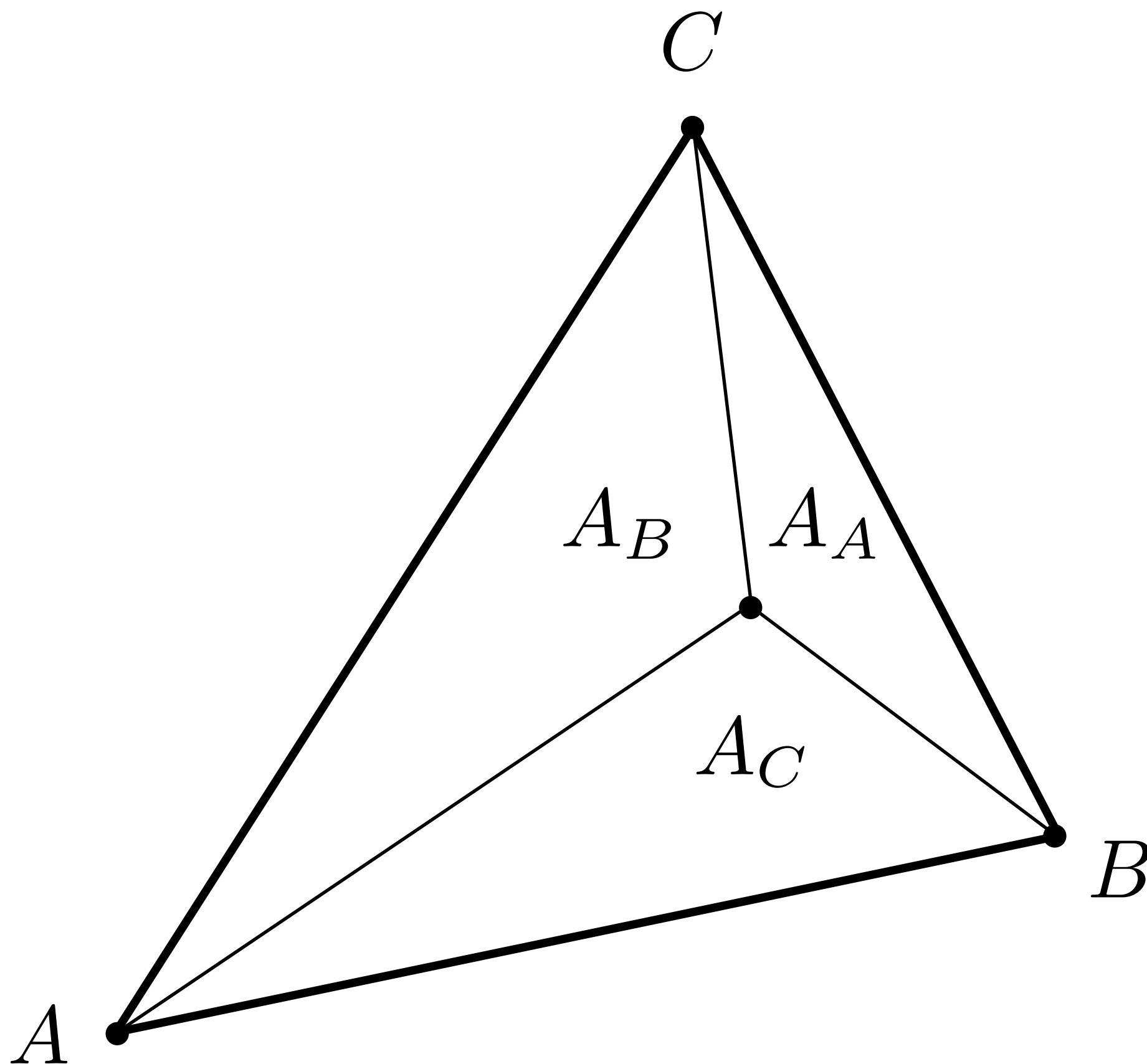
$$\alpha = \frac{-(x - x_B)(y_C - y_B) + (y - y_B)(x_C - x_B)}{-(x_A - x_B)(y_C - y_B) + (y_A - y_B)(x_C - x_B)}$$

$$\beta = \frac{-(x - x_C)(y_A - y_C) + (y - y_C)(x_A - x_C)}{-(x_B - x_C)(y_A - y_C) + (y_B - y_C)(x_A - x_C)}$$

$$\gamma = 1 - \alpha - \beta$$

# Barycentric Coordinates

Alternative geometric viewpoint — proportional areas



$$\alpha = \frac{A_A}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

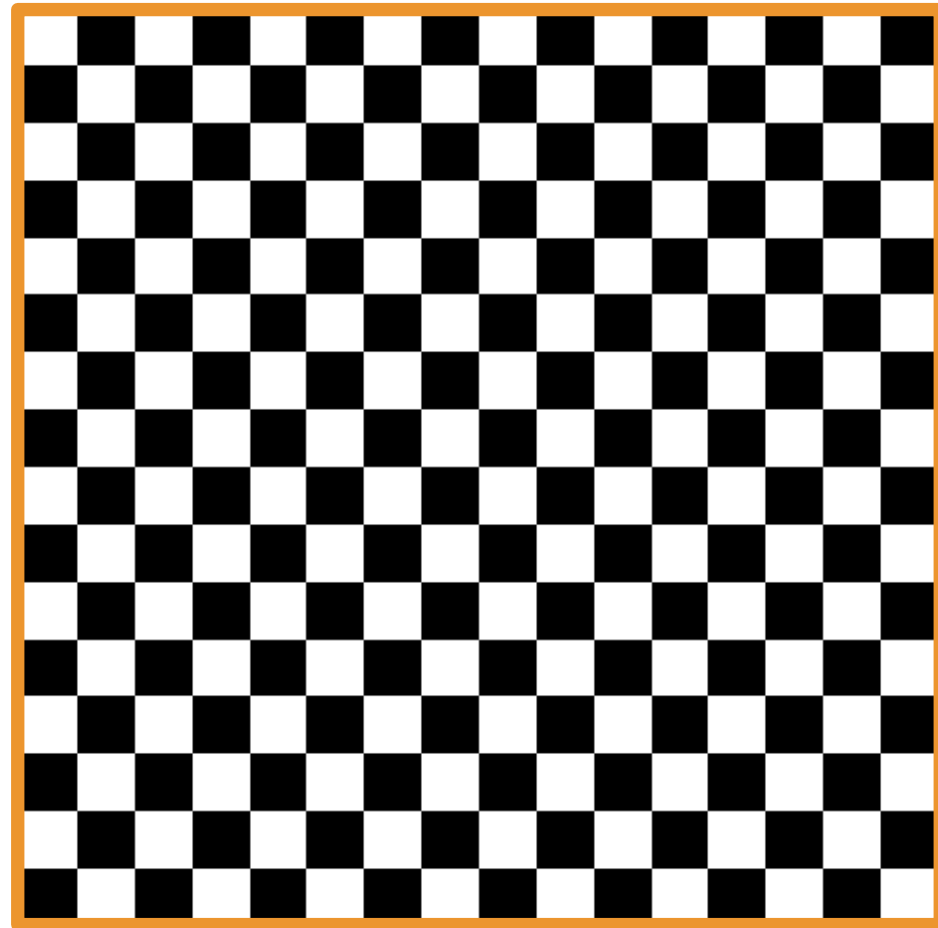
$$\beta = \frac{A_B}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{A_C}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

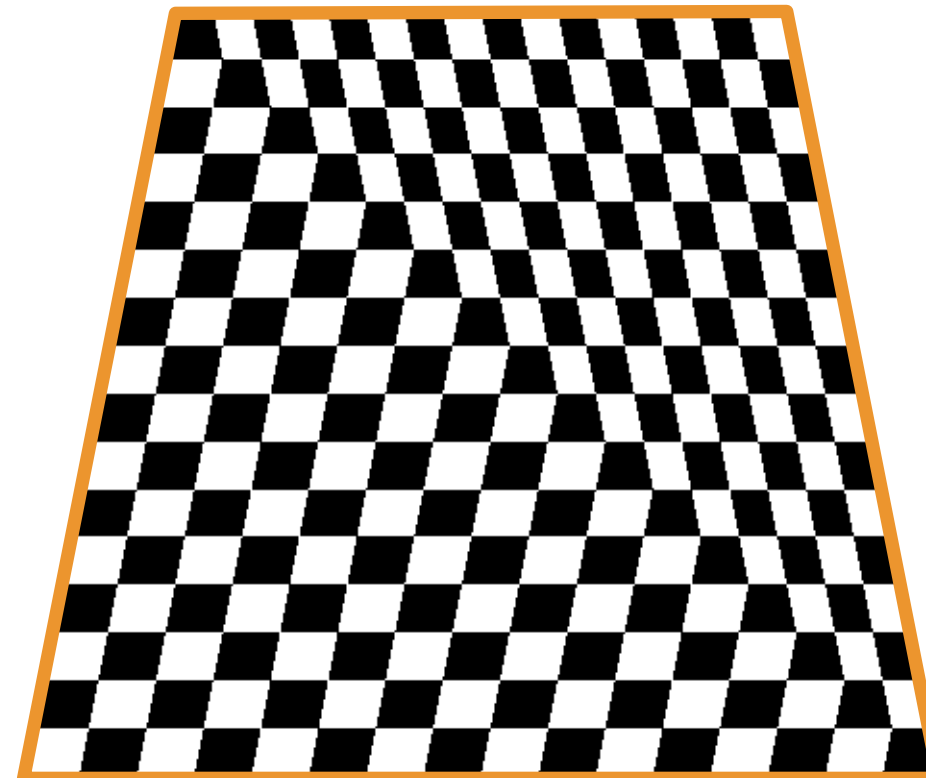


# **Perspective Projection and Interpolation**

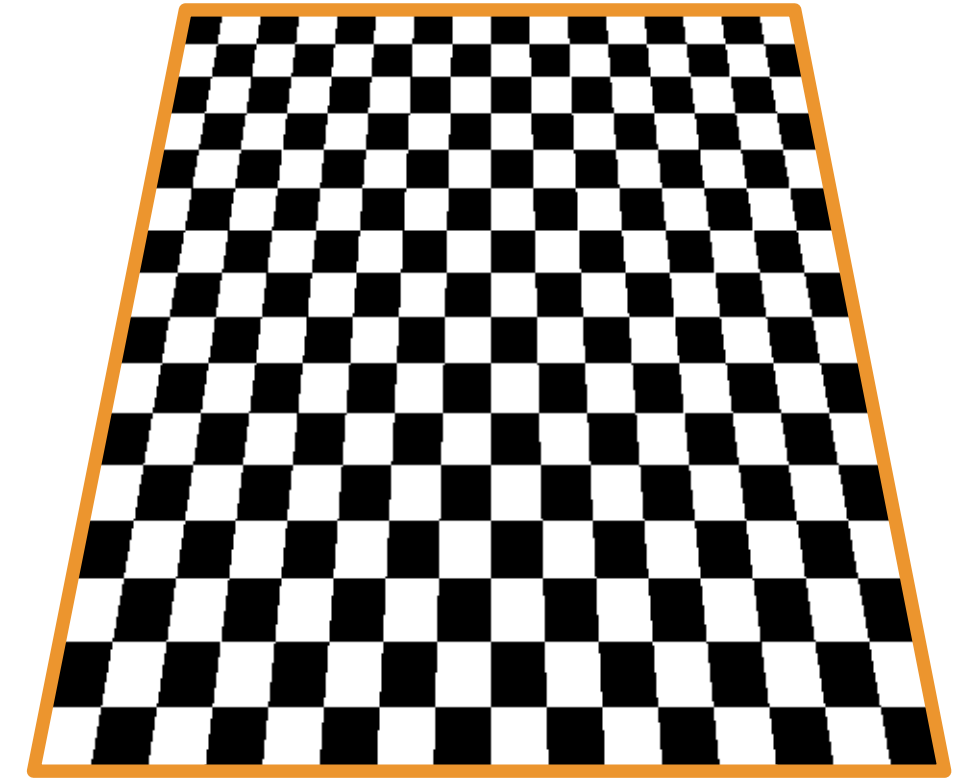
# Perspective Projection and Interpolation



Texture

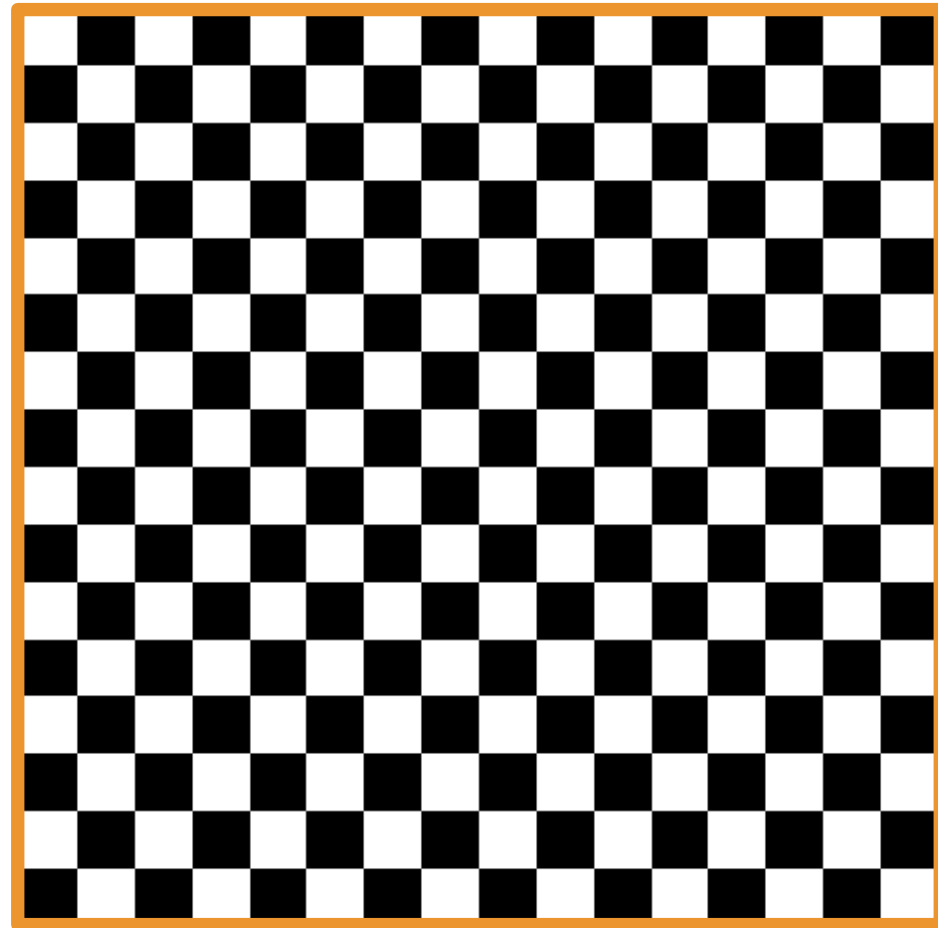


Plane tilted  
down with  
perspective  
projection —  
What's wrong?

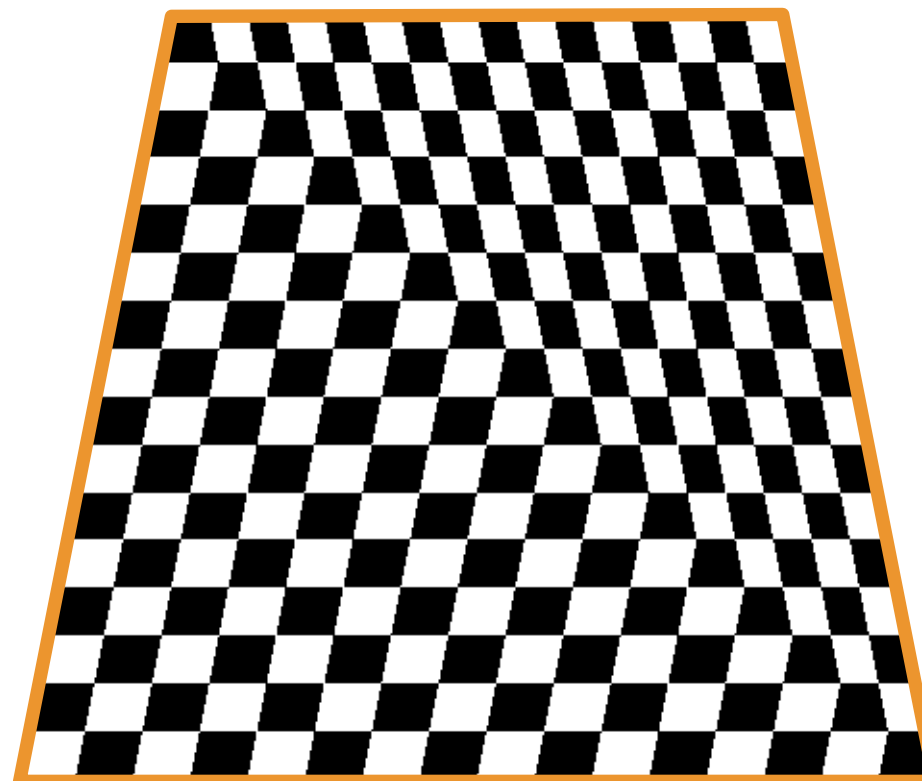


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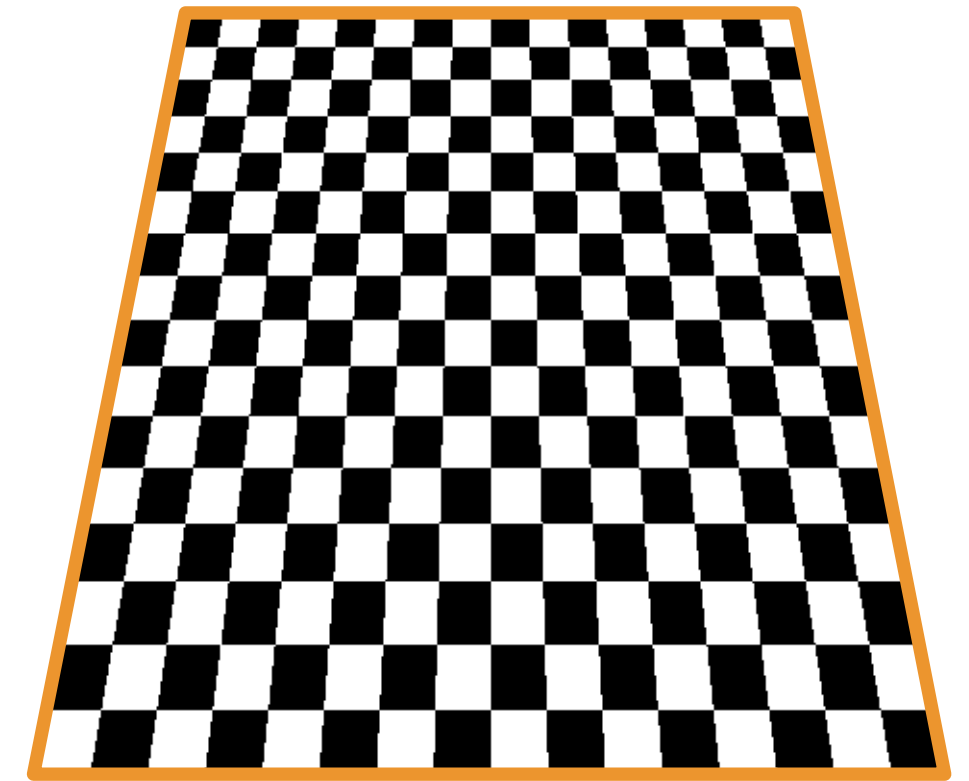
# Perspective Projection and Interpolation



**Texture**



**Barycentric  
interpolation of  
texture  
coordinates in  
screen-space**

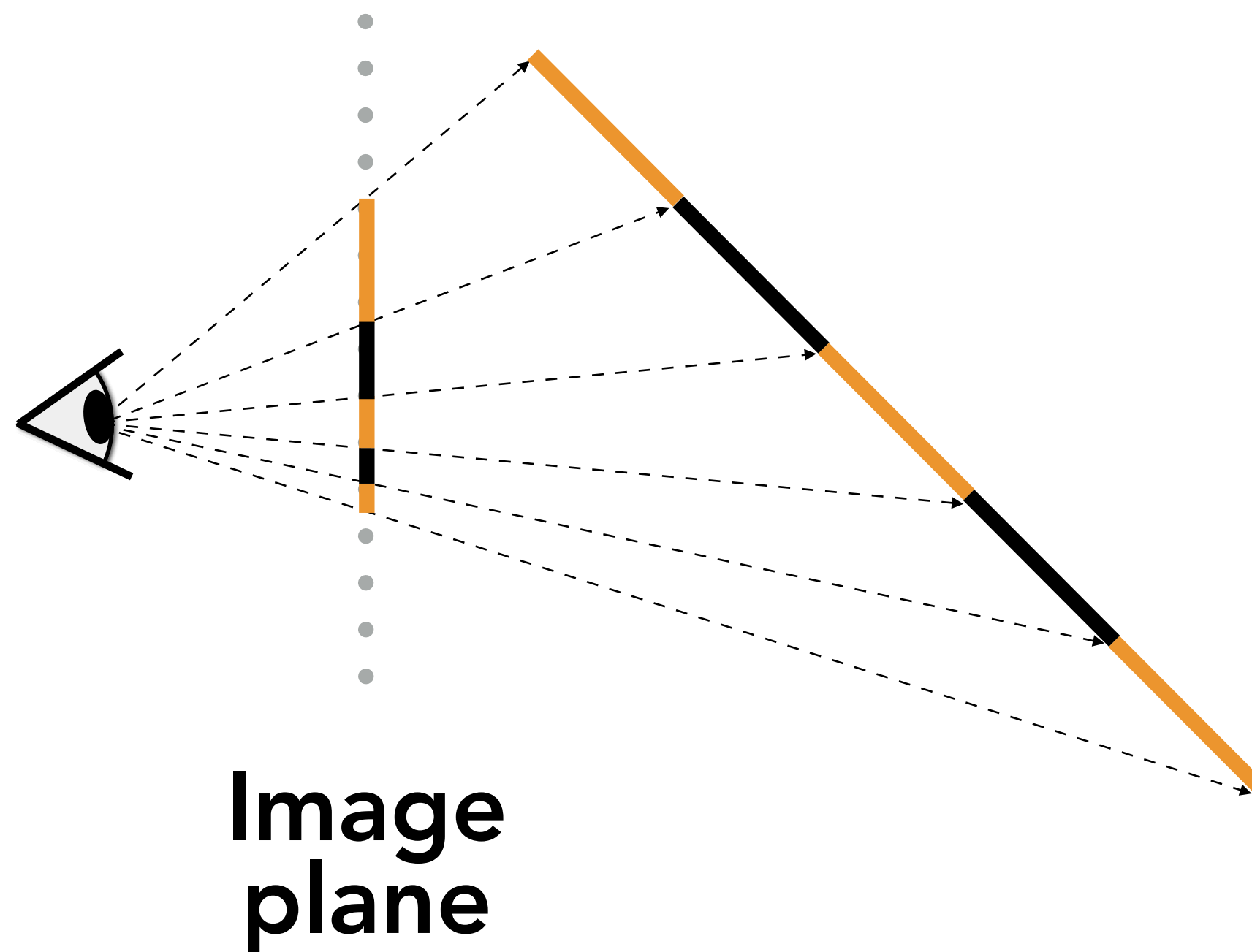


**Correct image**

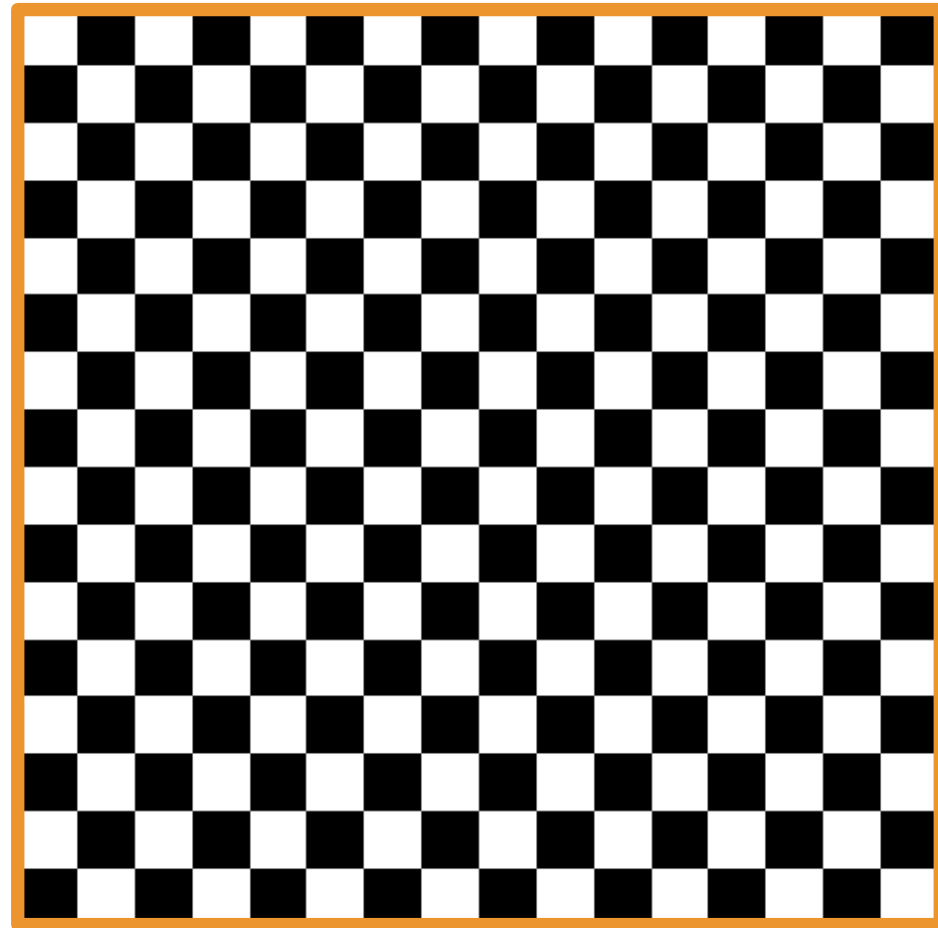
# Perspective Projection Creates Non Linearity

Linear interpolation in world coordinates yields nonlinear interpolation in screen coordinates!

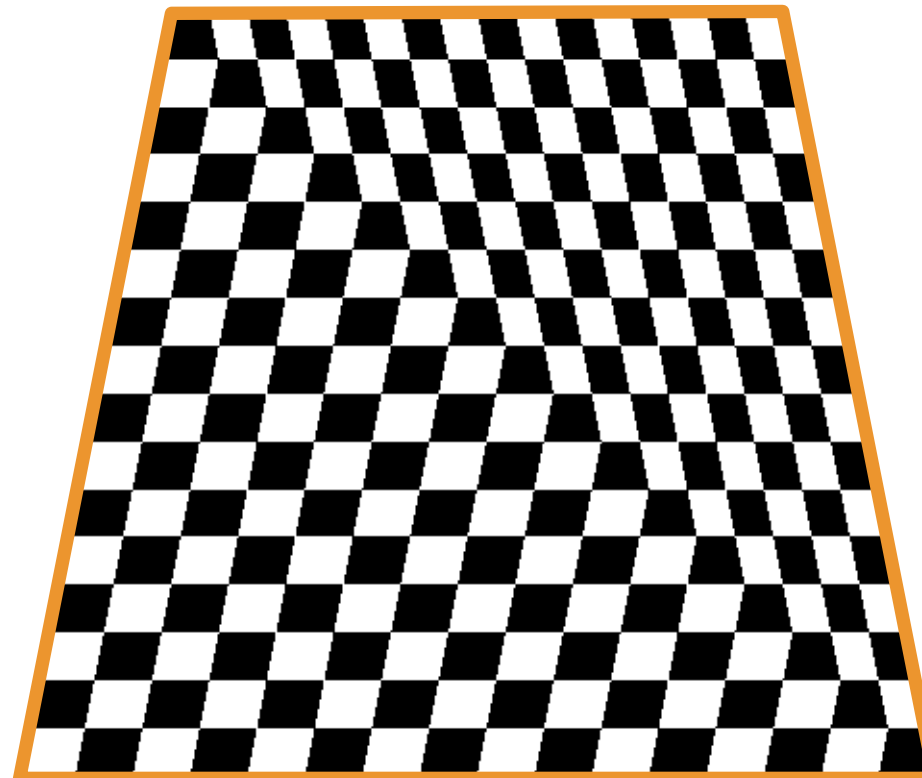
Perspective interpolation supported in GPU



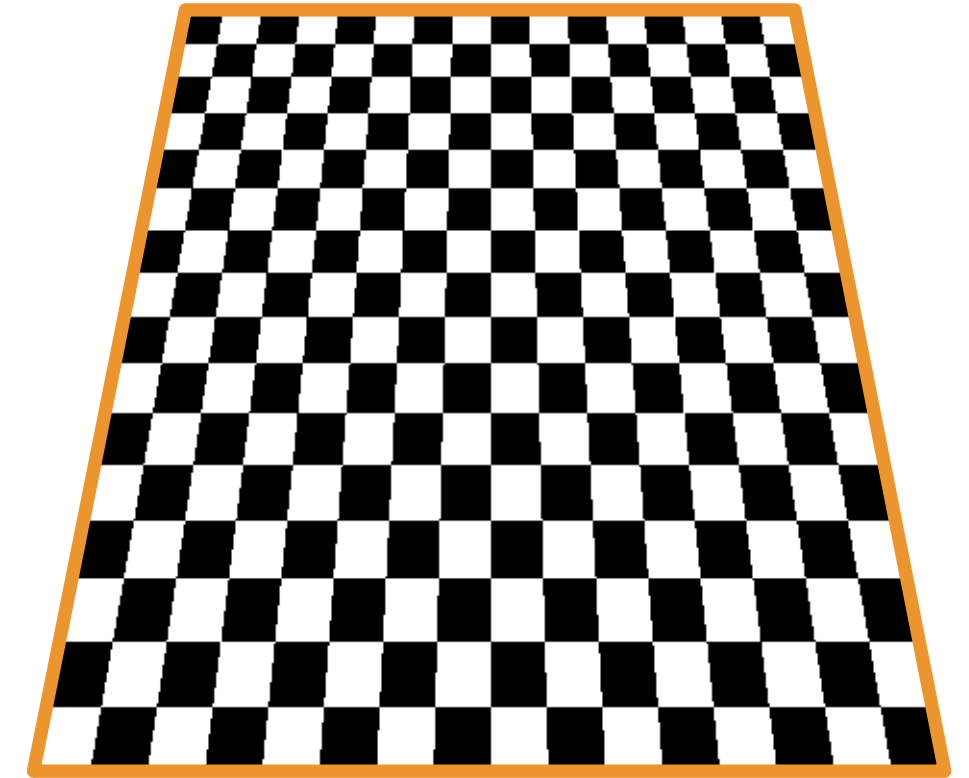
# Perspective-Correct Interpolation



**Texture**



**Affine  
screen-space  
interpolation**



**Perspective  
world-space  
interpolation**

**Applying Textures is Sampling!**

# Simple Texture Mapping Operation

```
for each rasterized screen sample (x,y):  
    (u,v) = evaluate texcoord value at (x,y)  
    float3 texcolor = texture.sample(u,v);  
    set sample's color to texcolor;
```

# Applying Textures is Sampling!

Actually “re-sampling”

Mathematically, to draw a texture sample at  $(u,v)$ :

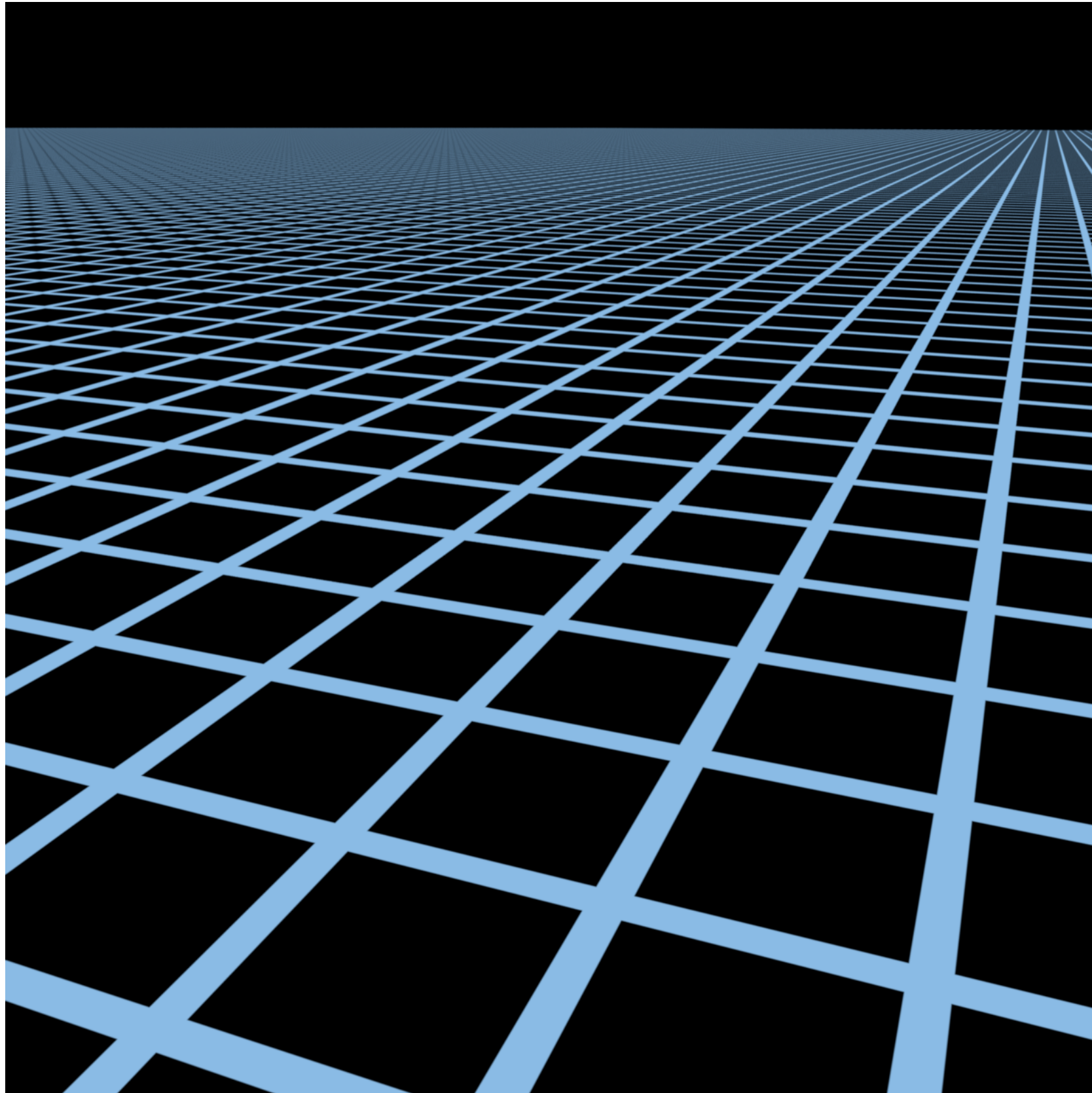
- Start with discrete, sampled 2D function  $f(x,y)$ . This function is only non-zero at sampled locations
- Reconstruct a continuous 2D function,  $f_{\text{cont}}(x,y) = f(x,y) * k(x,y)$  by convolution with a reconstruction filter  $k(x,y)$
- Draw the desired sample at  $(u,v)$  from the continuous 2D signal by function evaluation:  $f_{\text{cont}}(u,v)$

Signal processing concepts that should come to mind for you:

- Frequency spectrum, aliasing, Nyquist frequency, filtering, anti-aliasing...

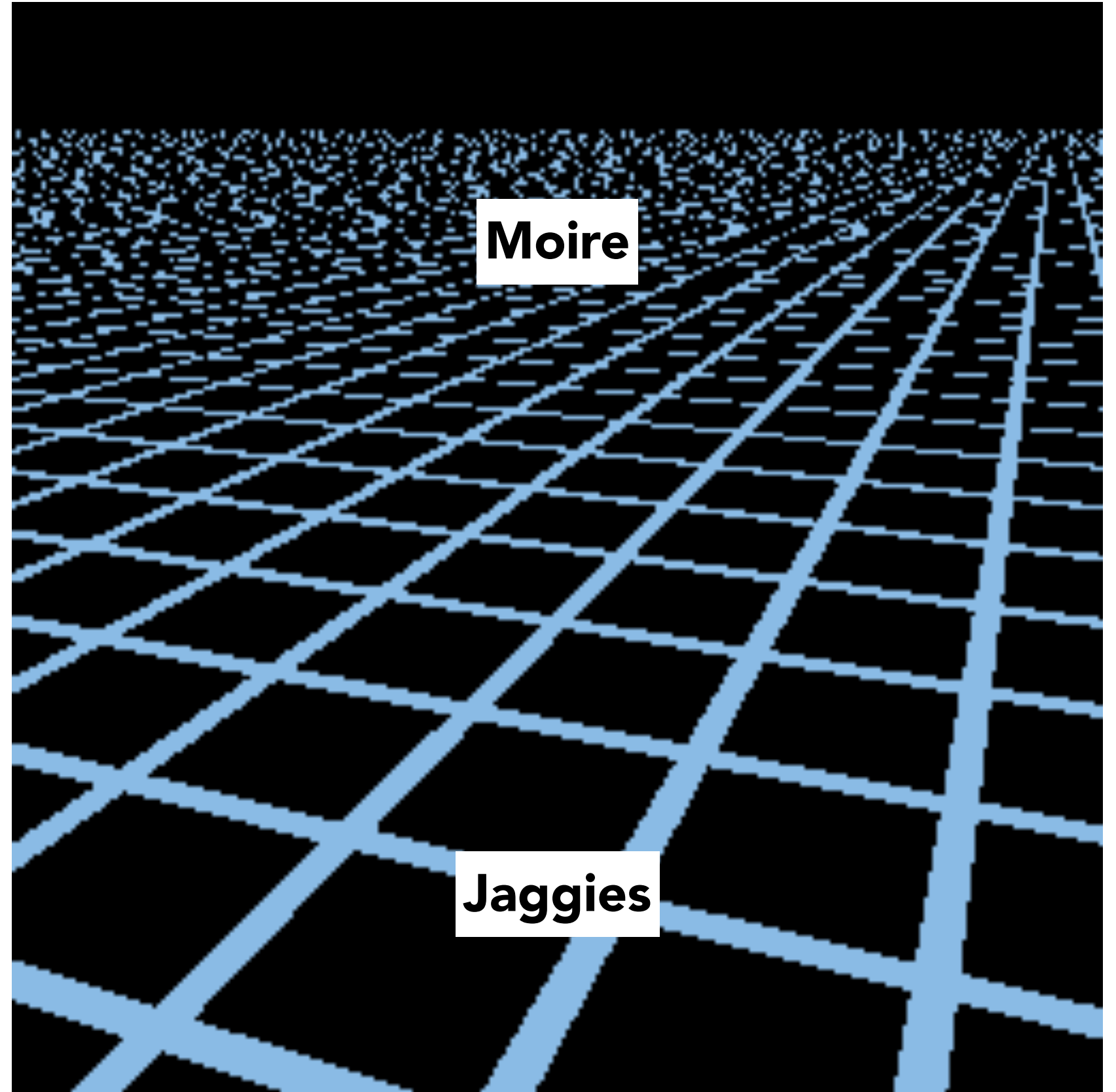


# Point Sampling Textures



**High-res reference**

Source image: 1280x1280 pixels

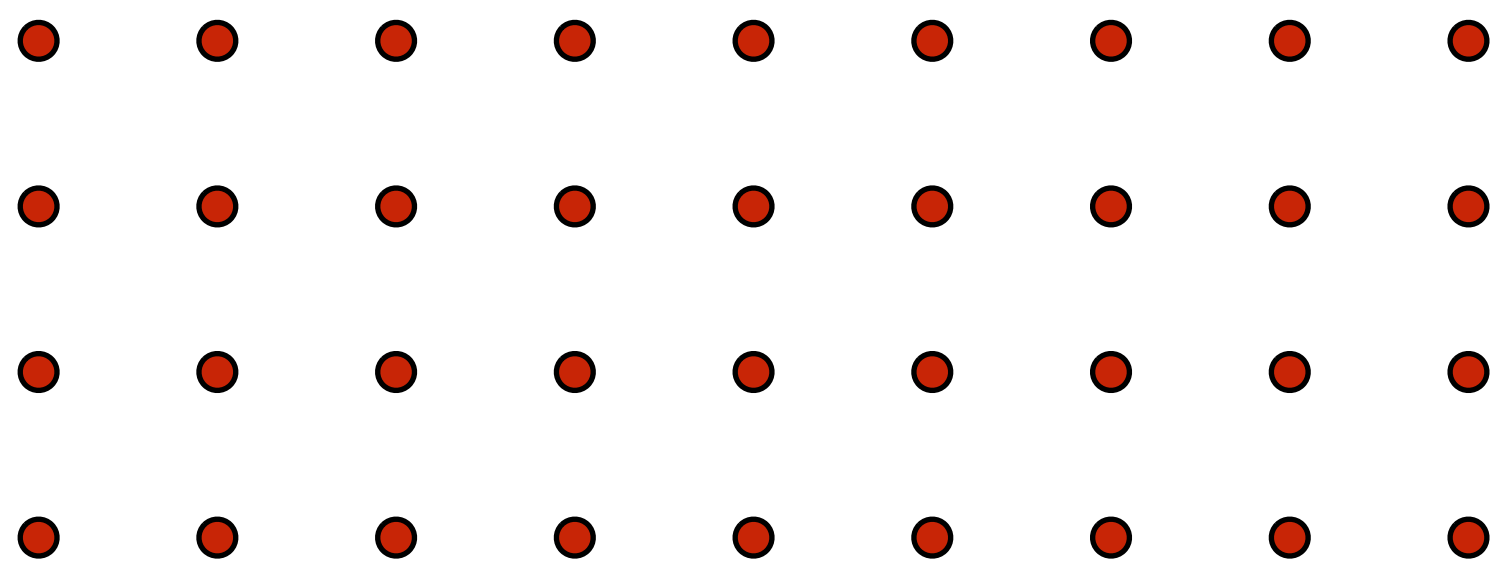
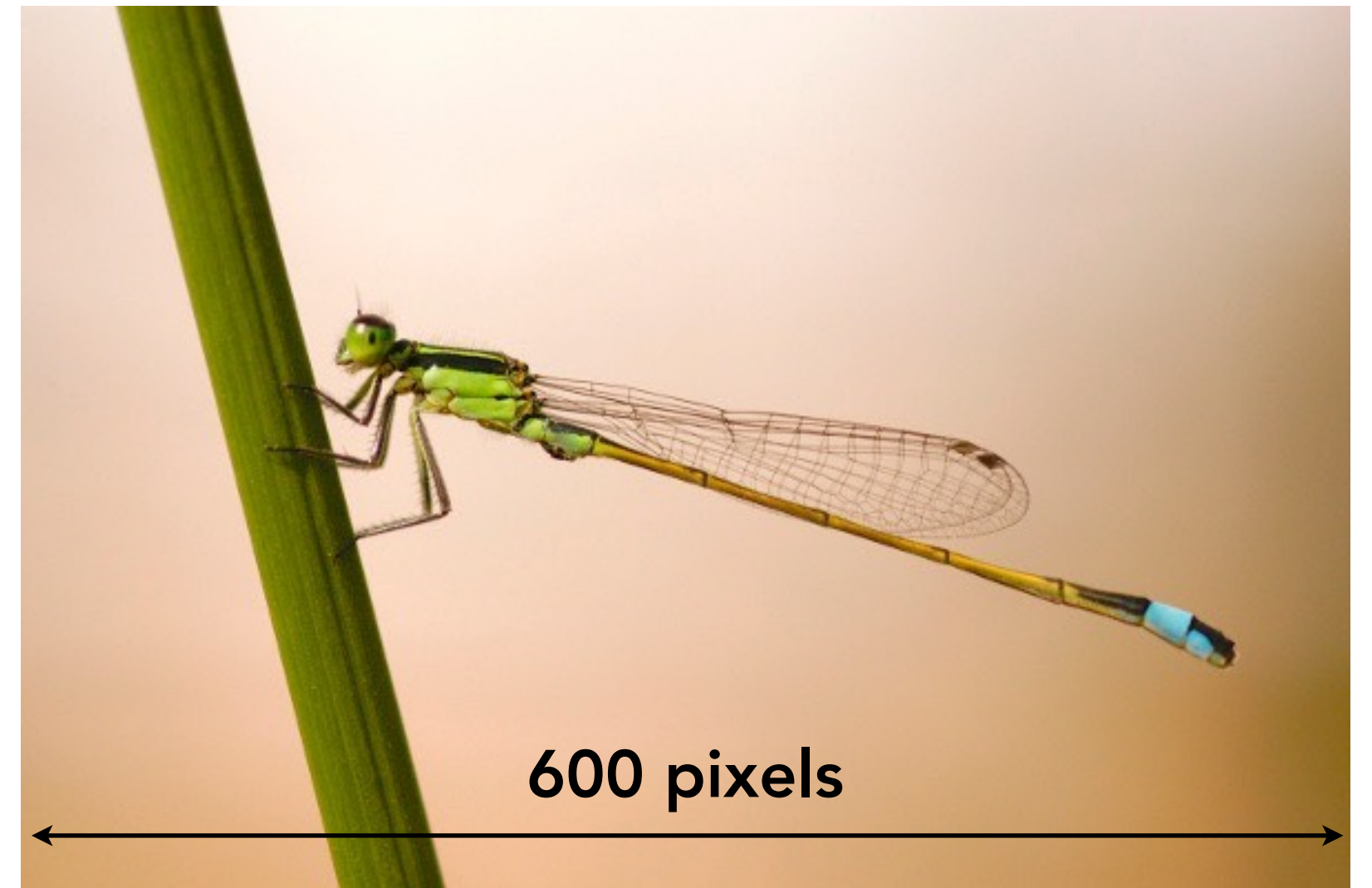
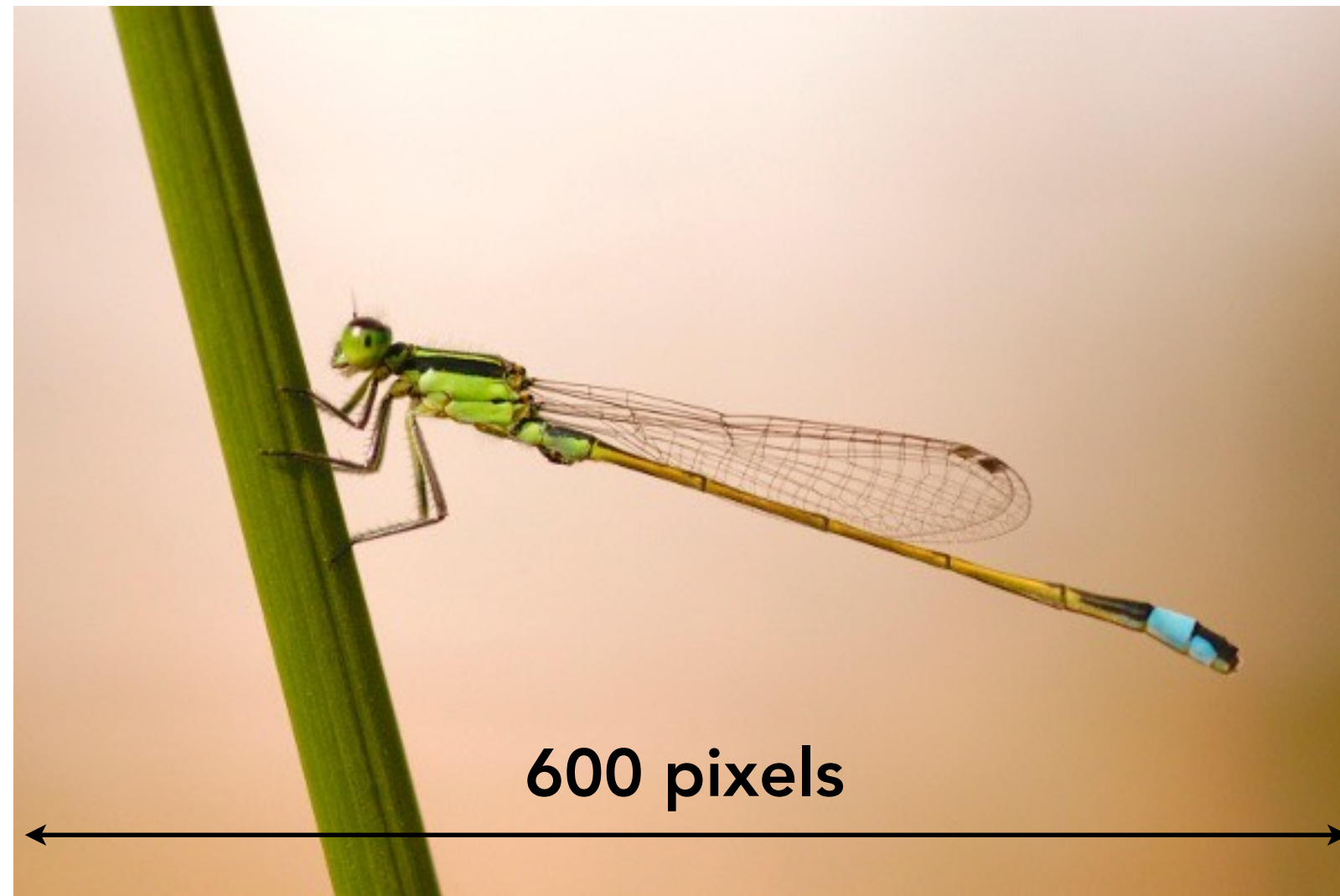


**Point sampling**

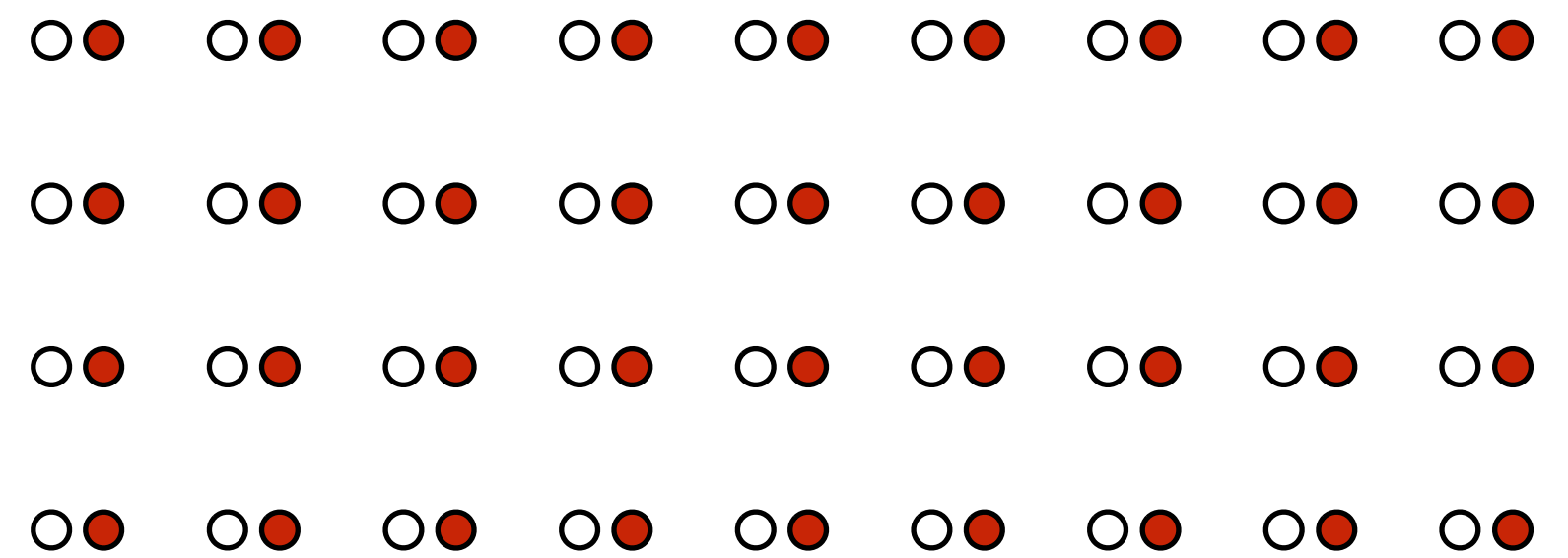
256x256 pixels

# **Texture Sampling Frequency**

# Sampling Rate on Screen vs Texture



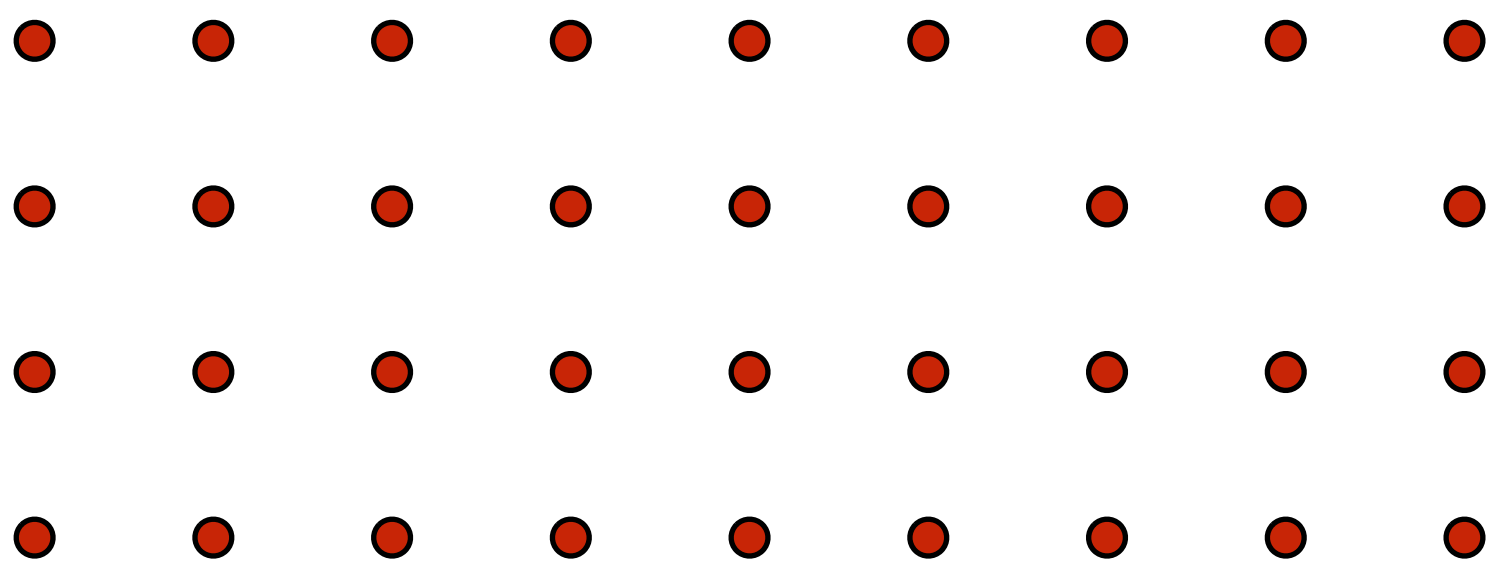
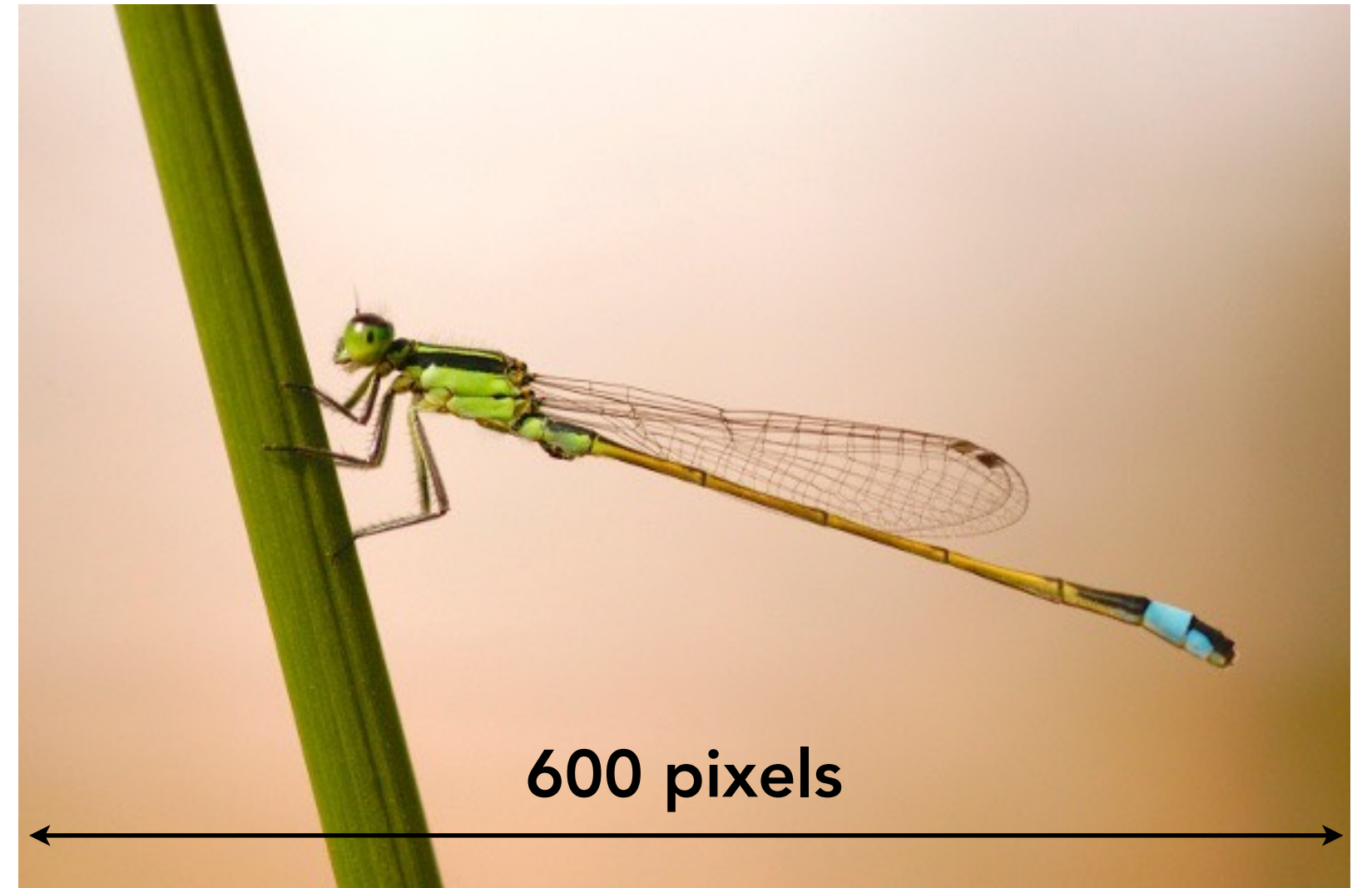
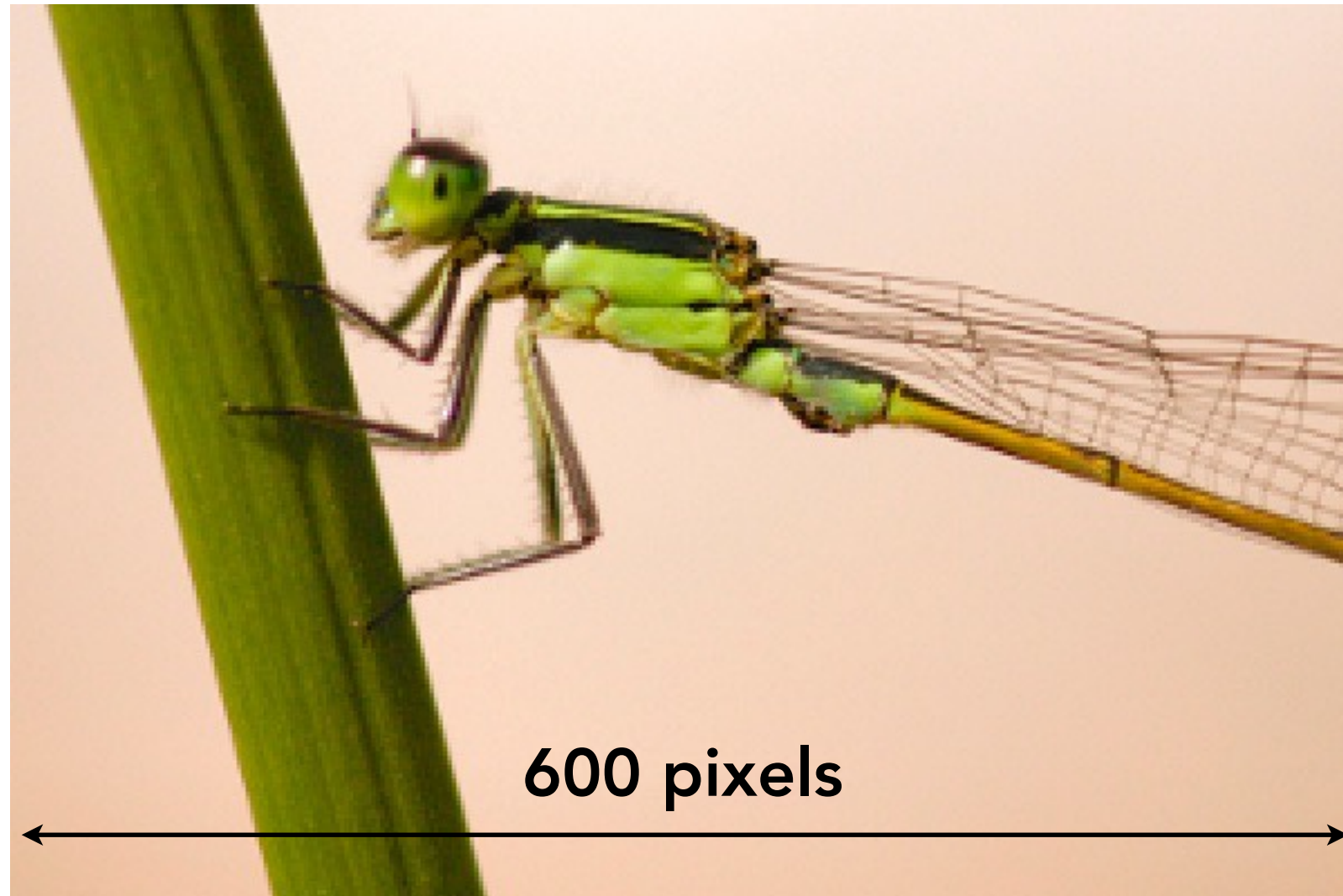
Screen space (x,y)



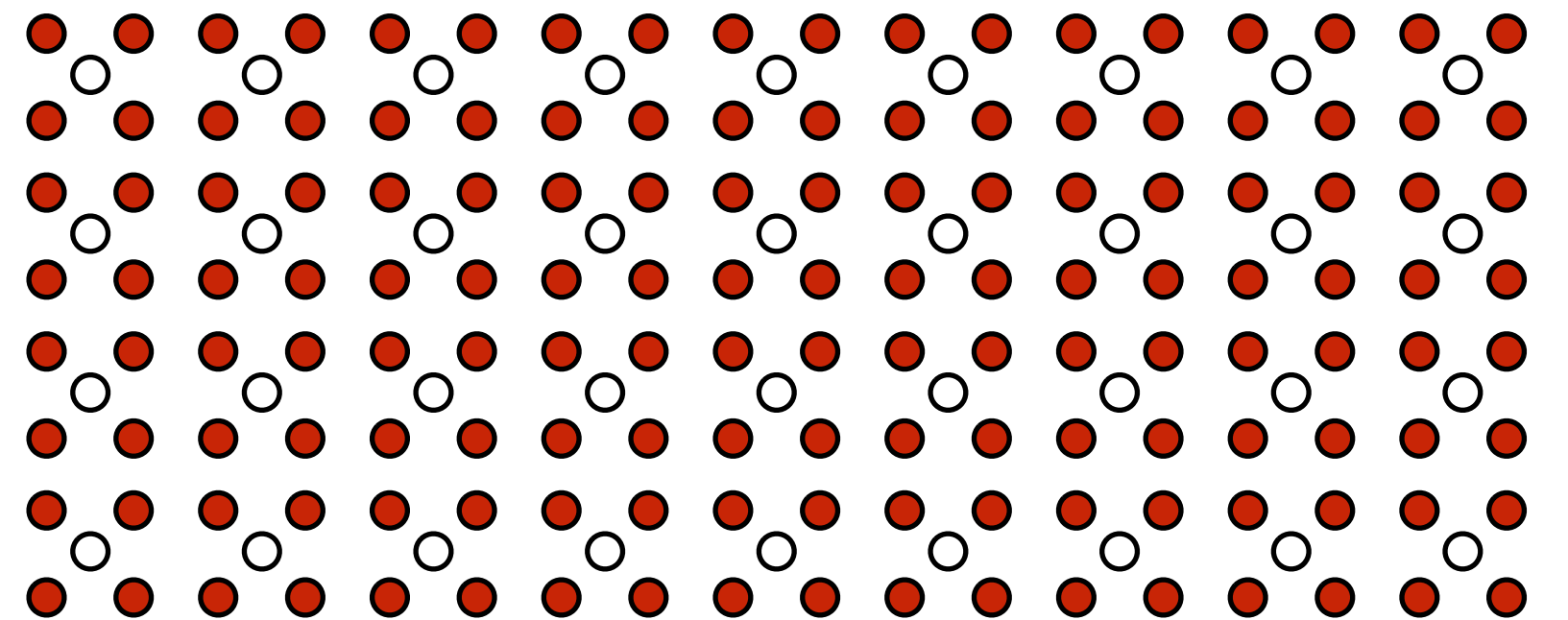
Texture space (u,v)

1:1 mapping

# Sampling Rate on Screen vs Texture



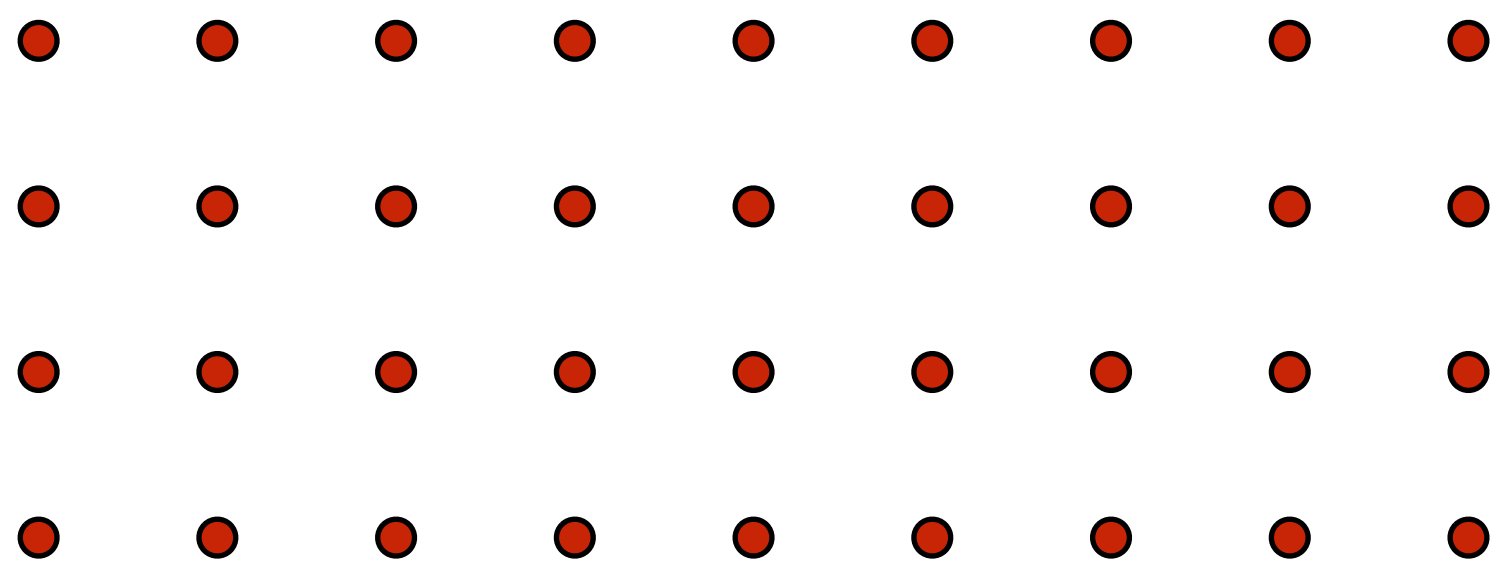
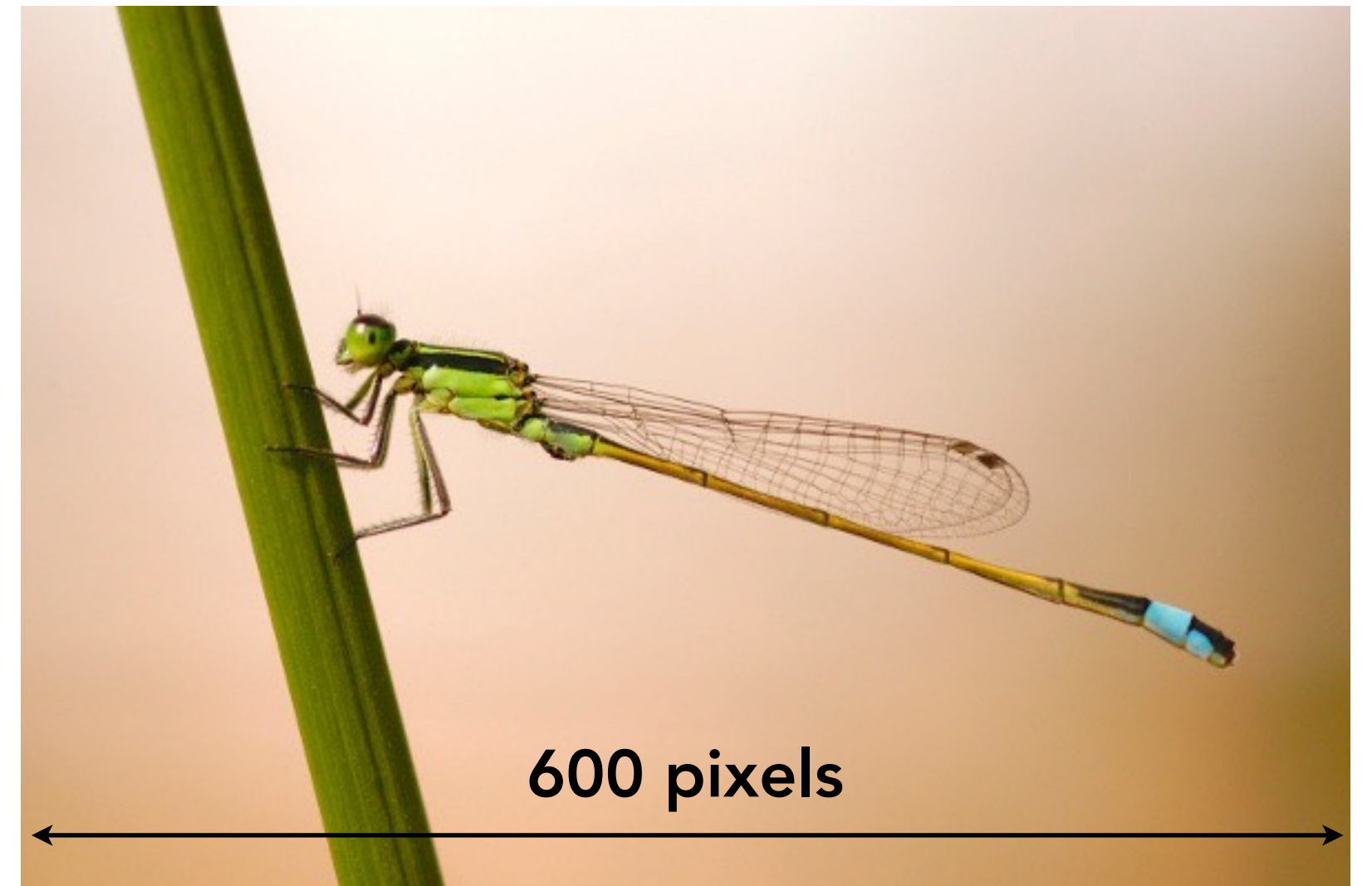
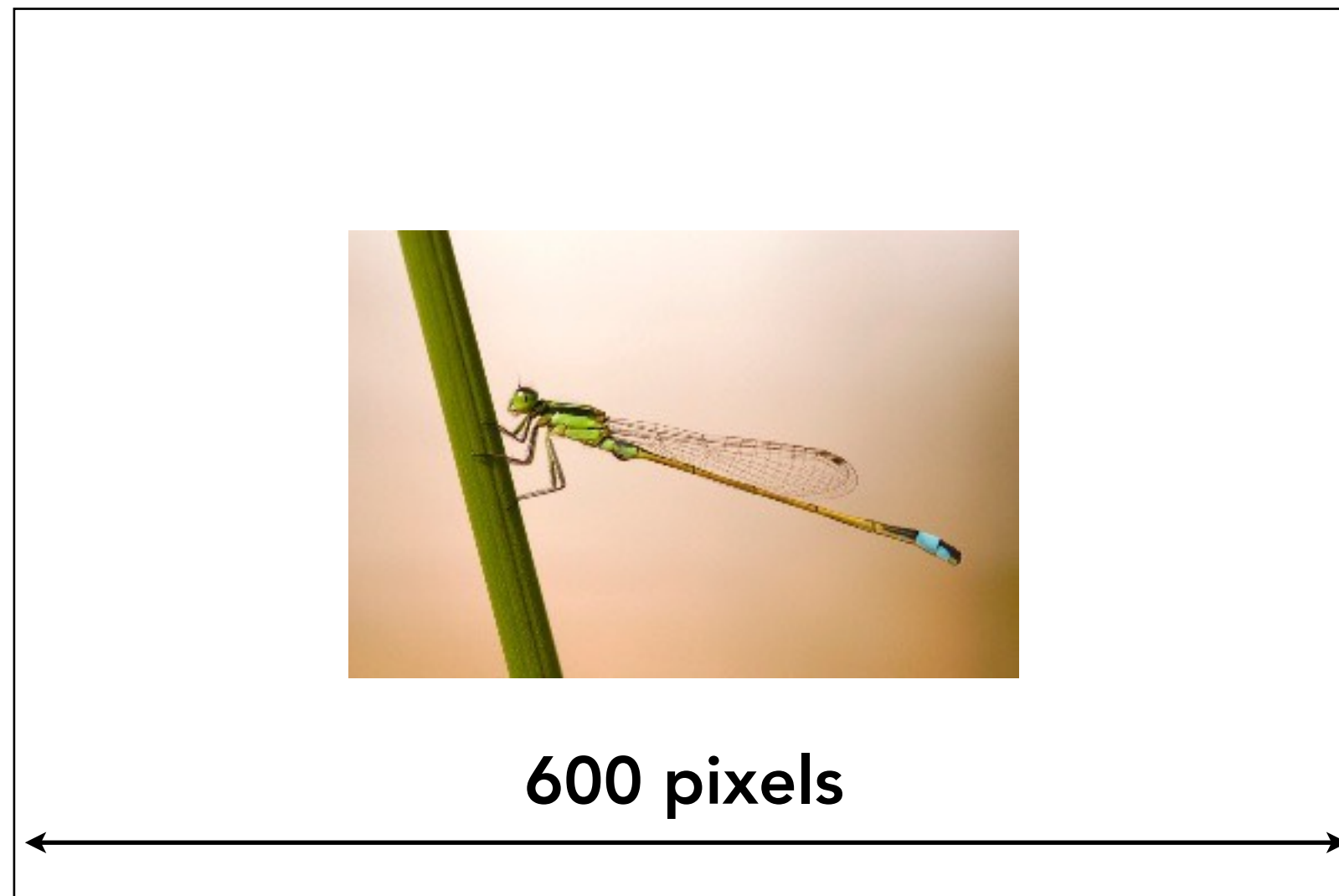
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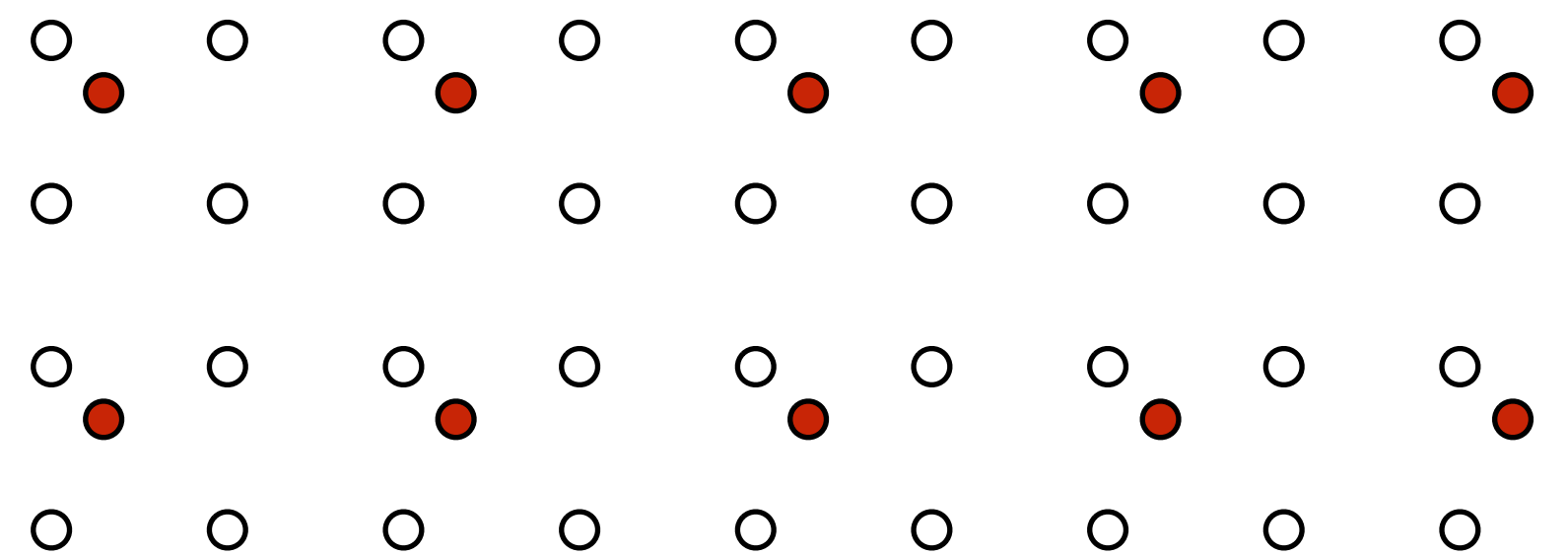
Texture space (u,v)

Magnified

# Sampling Rate on Screen vs Texture



Screen space (x,y)



Texture space (u,v)

"Minified"

# Texture Sampling Rate

The sampling frequency in screen space translates to a sampling frequency in texture space as determined by the mapping function.

In general the frequency varies across the scene depending on geometric transforms, viewing transforms, and the texture coordinate function.

# Screen Pixel Area vs Texel Area

At optimal viewing size:

- 1:1 mapping between pixel sampling rate and texel sampling rate
- Dependent on texture resolution! e.g. 512x512

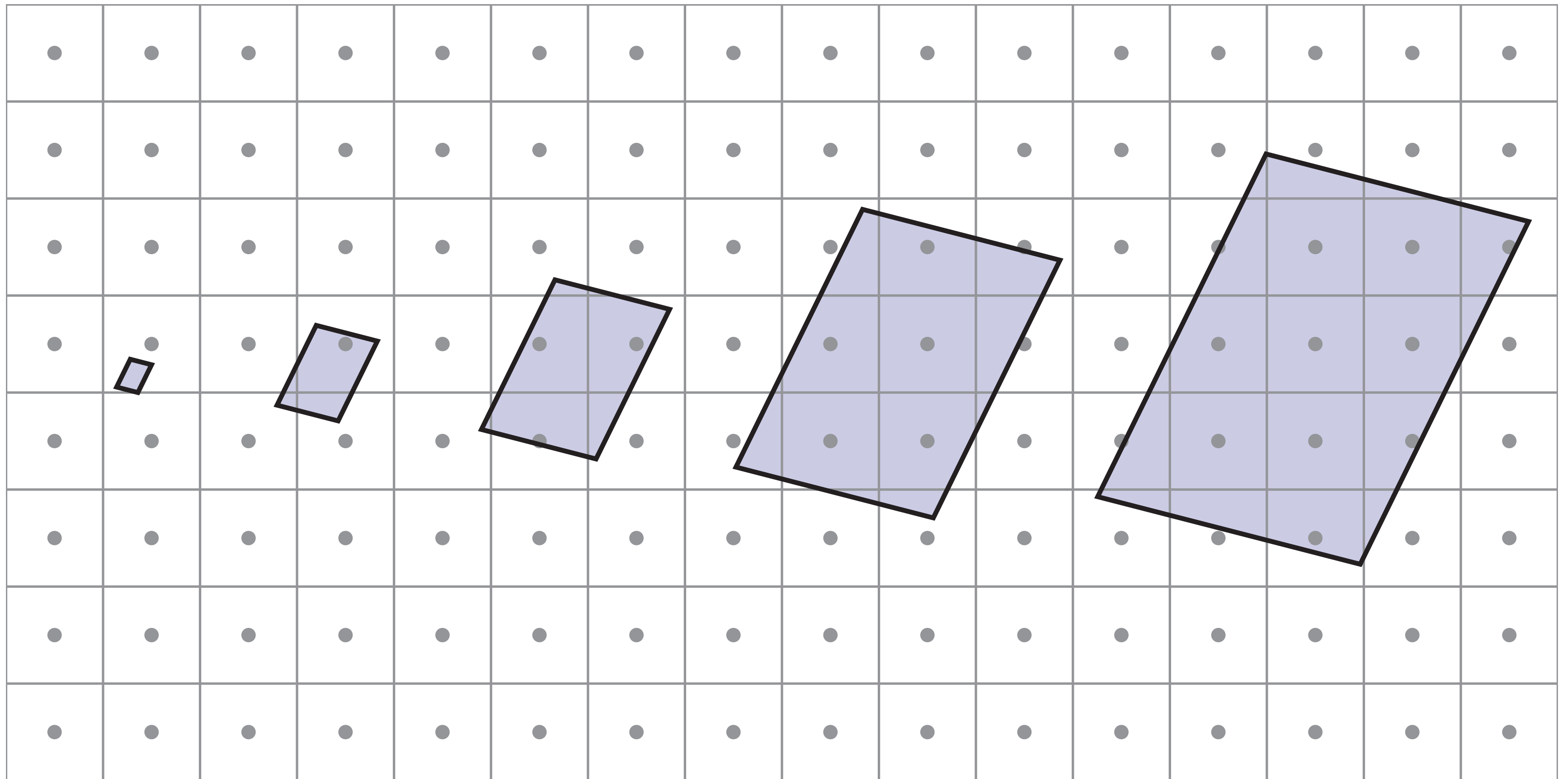
When larger (magnification)

- Multiple pixel samples per texel sample

When smaller (minification)

- One pixel sample per multiple texel samples

# Screen Pixel Footprint in Texture



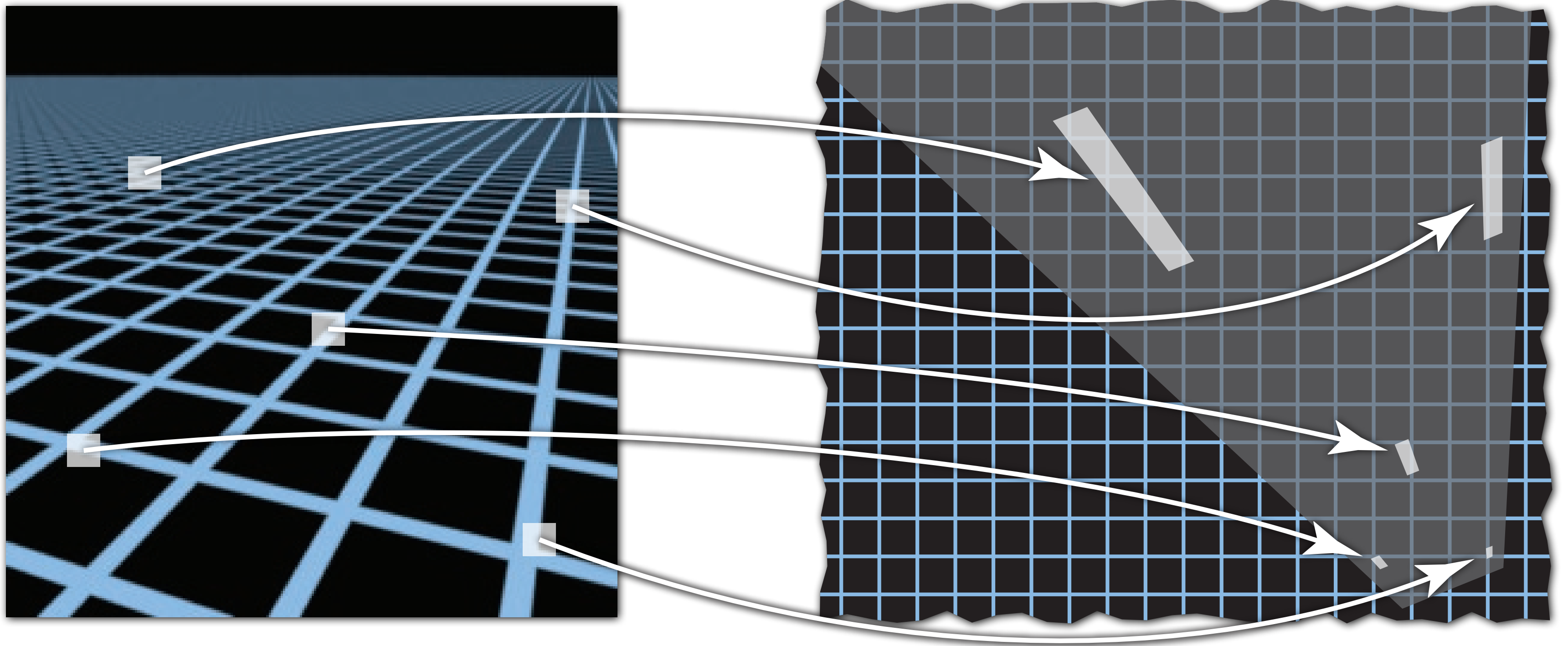
**Upsampling  
(Magnification)**



**Downsampling  
(Minification)**



# Screen Pixel Footprint in Texture

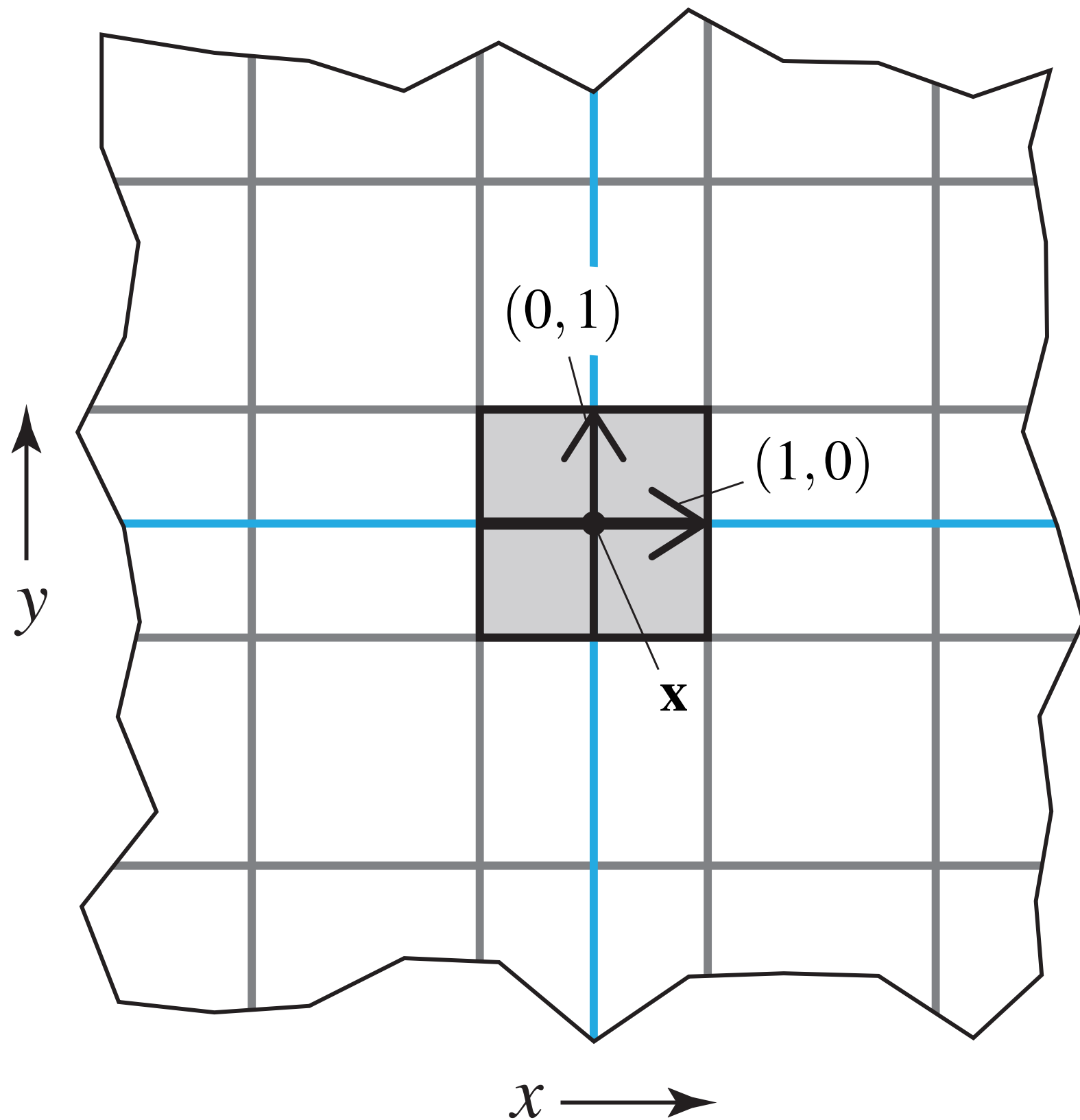


Screen space

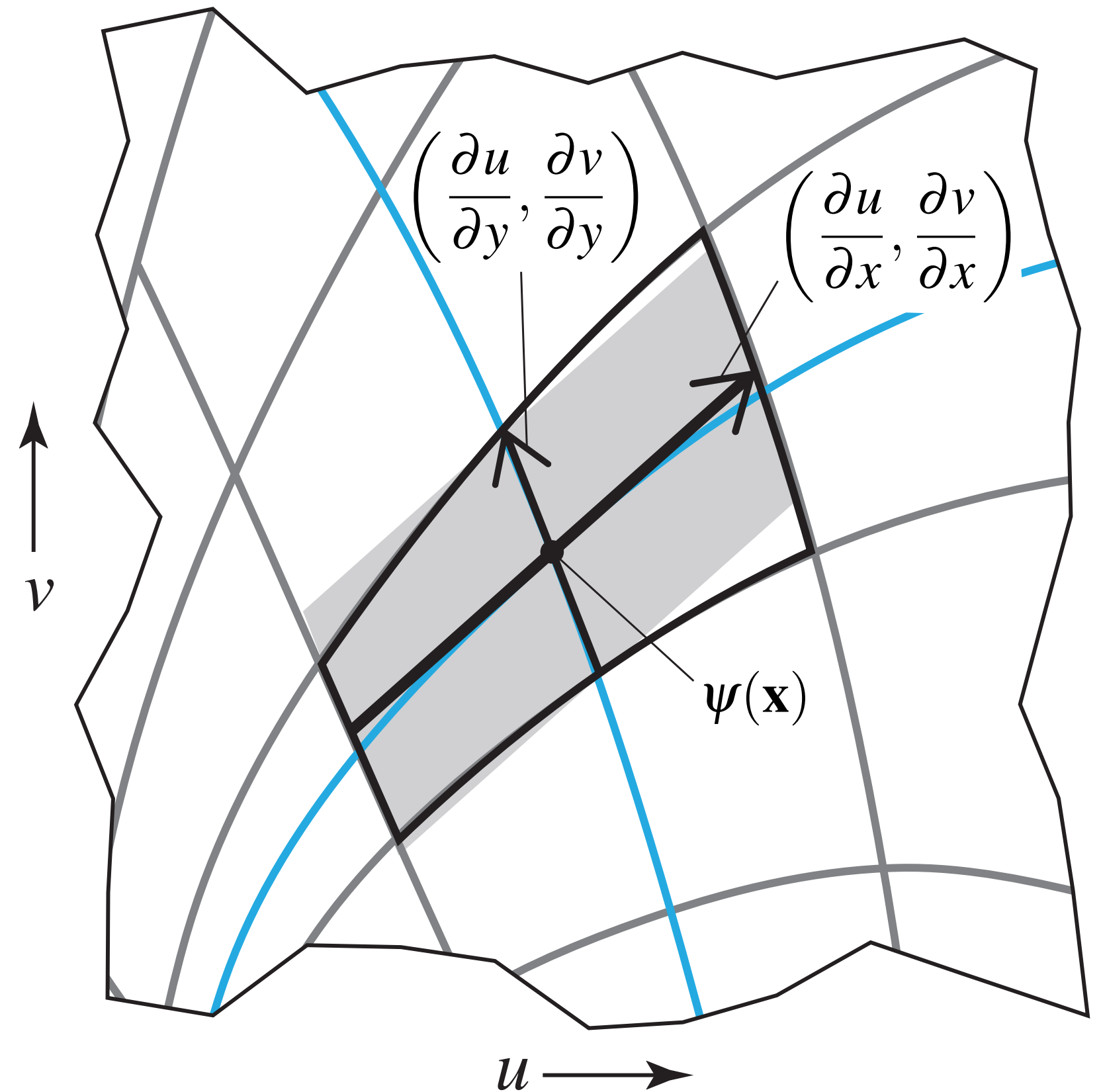
Texture space

**NB: texture sampling pattern not rectilinear or isotropic**

# Estimating Footprint Area With Jacobian



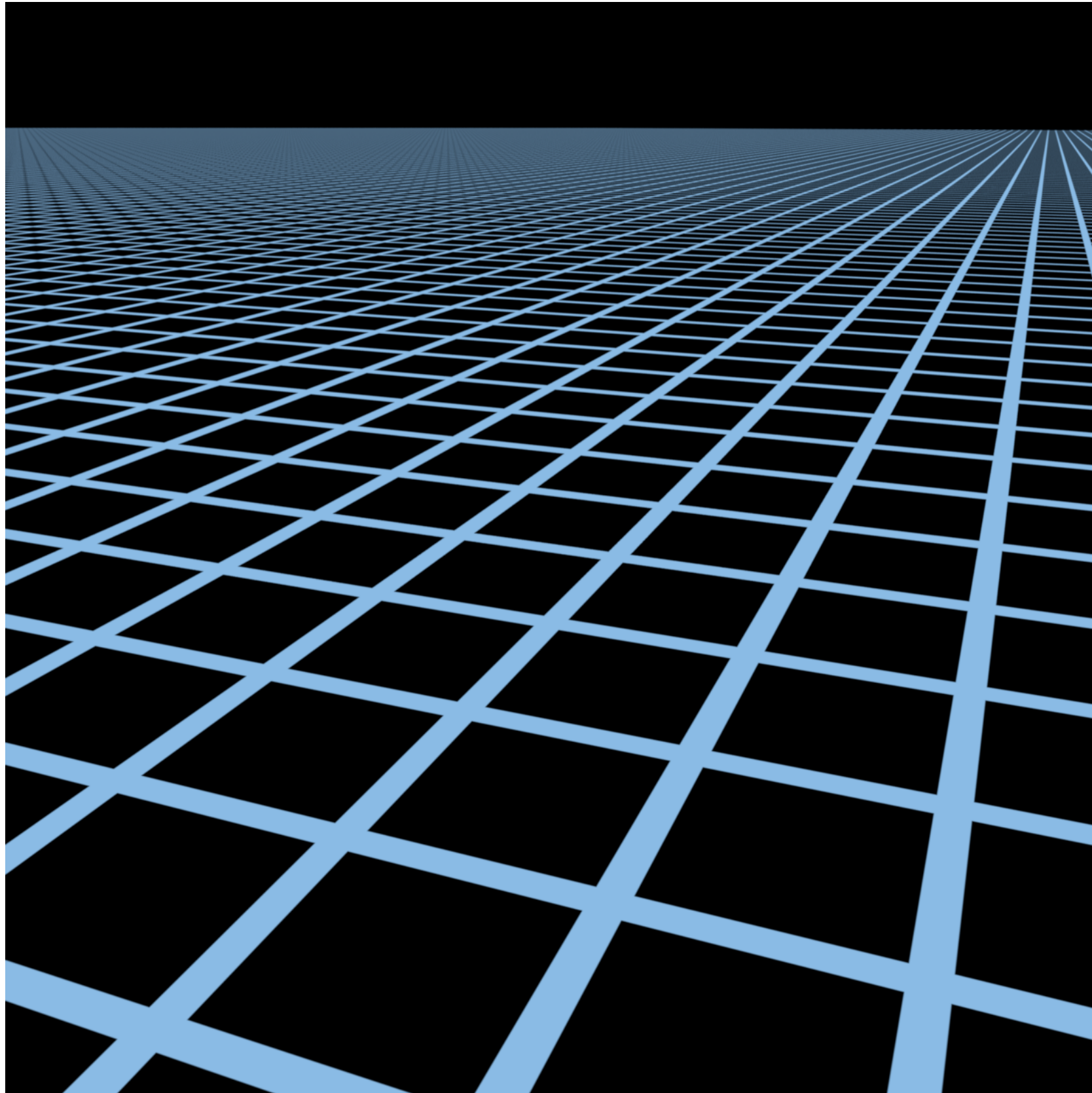
Screen space



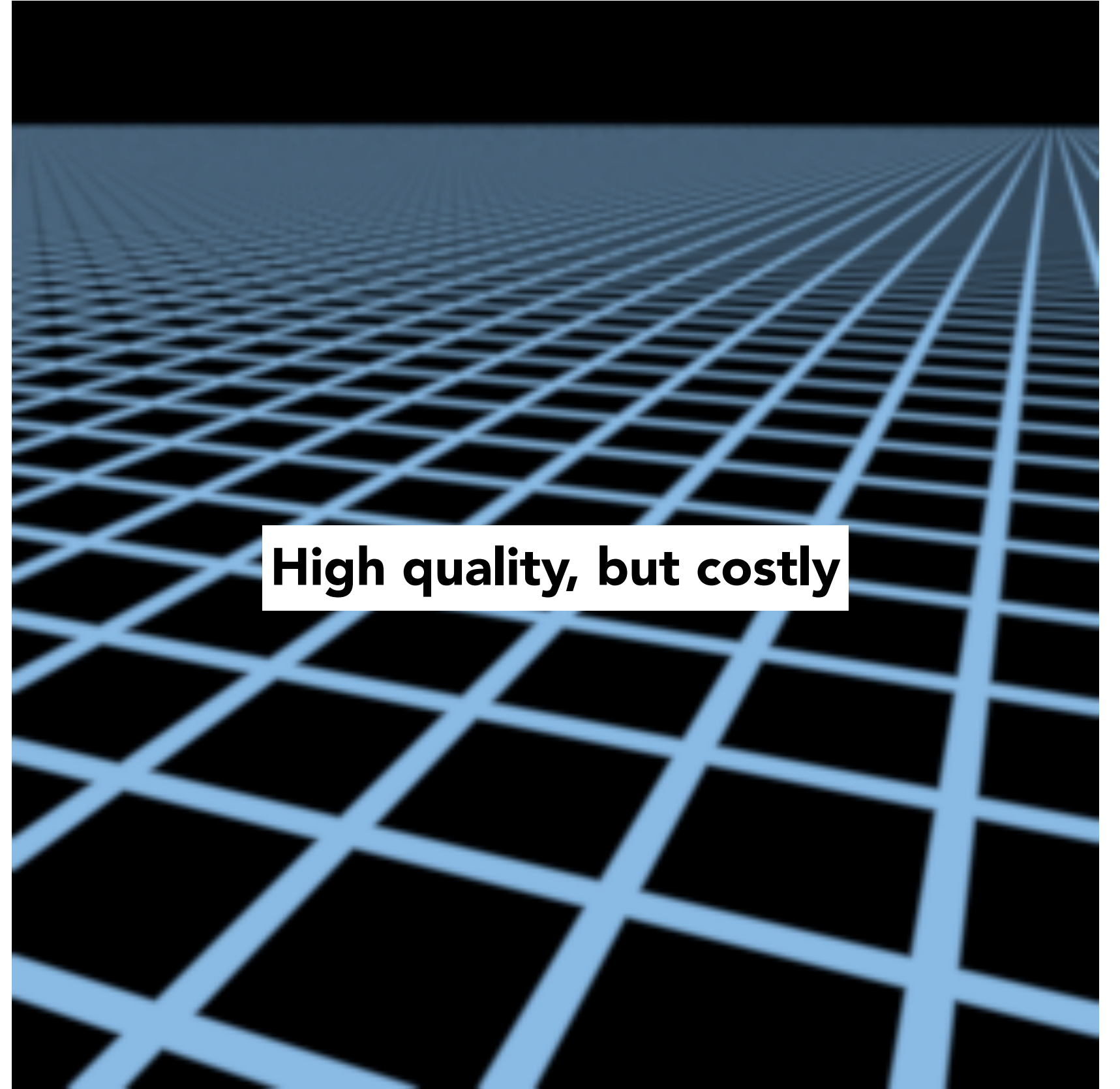
Texture space

# **Texture Antialiasing**

# Will Supersampling Antialias?



High-res reference



512x supersampling

# Texture Antialiasing

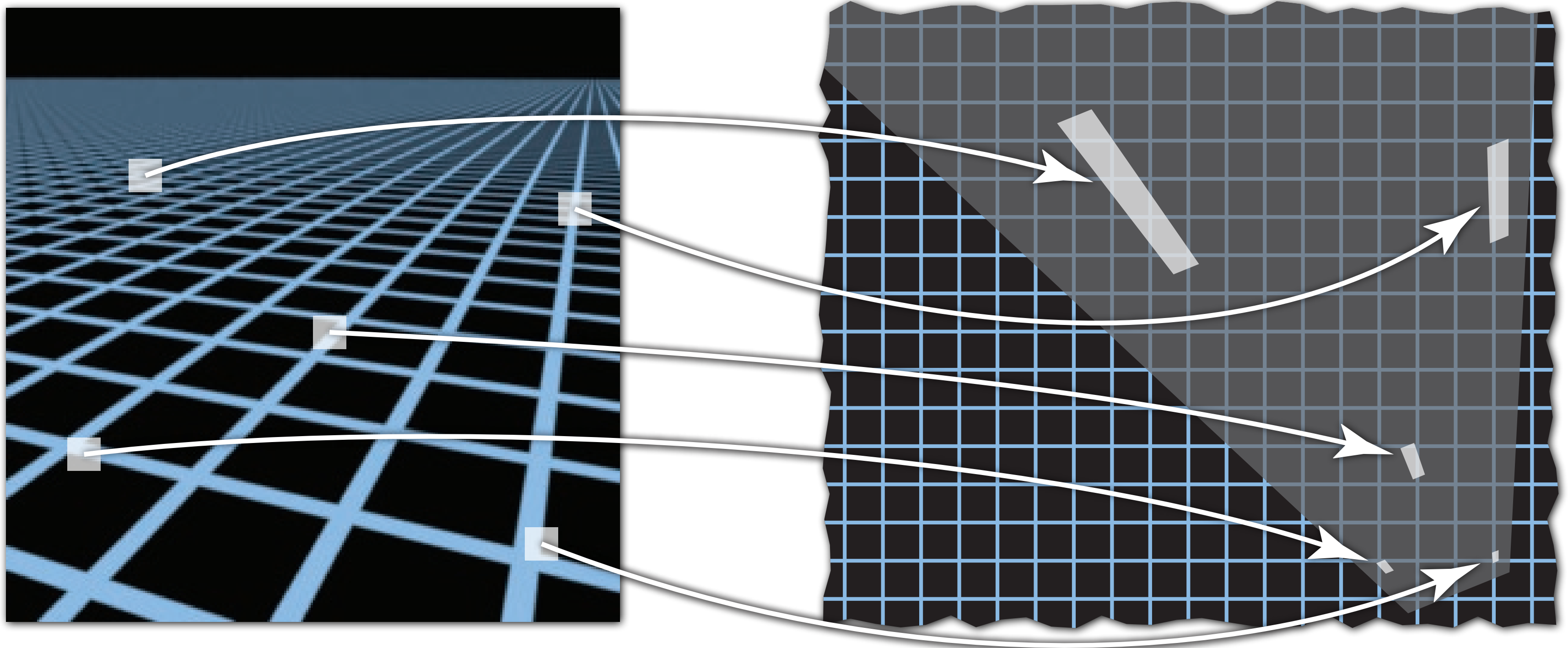
Will supersampling work?

- Yes, high quality, but costly
- When highly minified, many texels in pixel footprint

Goal: efficient texture antialiasing

- Want antialiasing with one/few texels per pixel
- How? Antialiasing = filtering before sampling!

# Antialiasing: Signal, Sampling Rate, Nyquist Rate?



Screen space

Texture space

What signal are we sampling? What is the sampling frequency? What is the Nyquist frequency?

# Texture Filtering

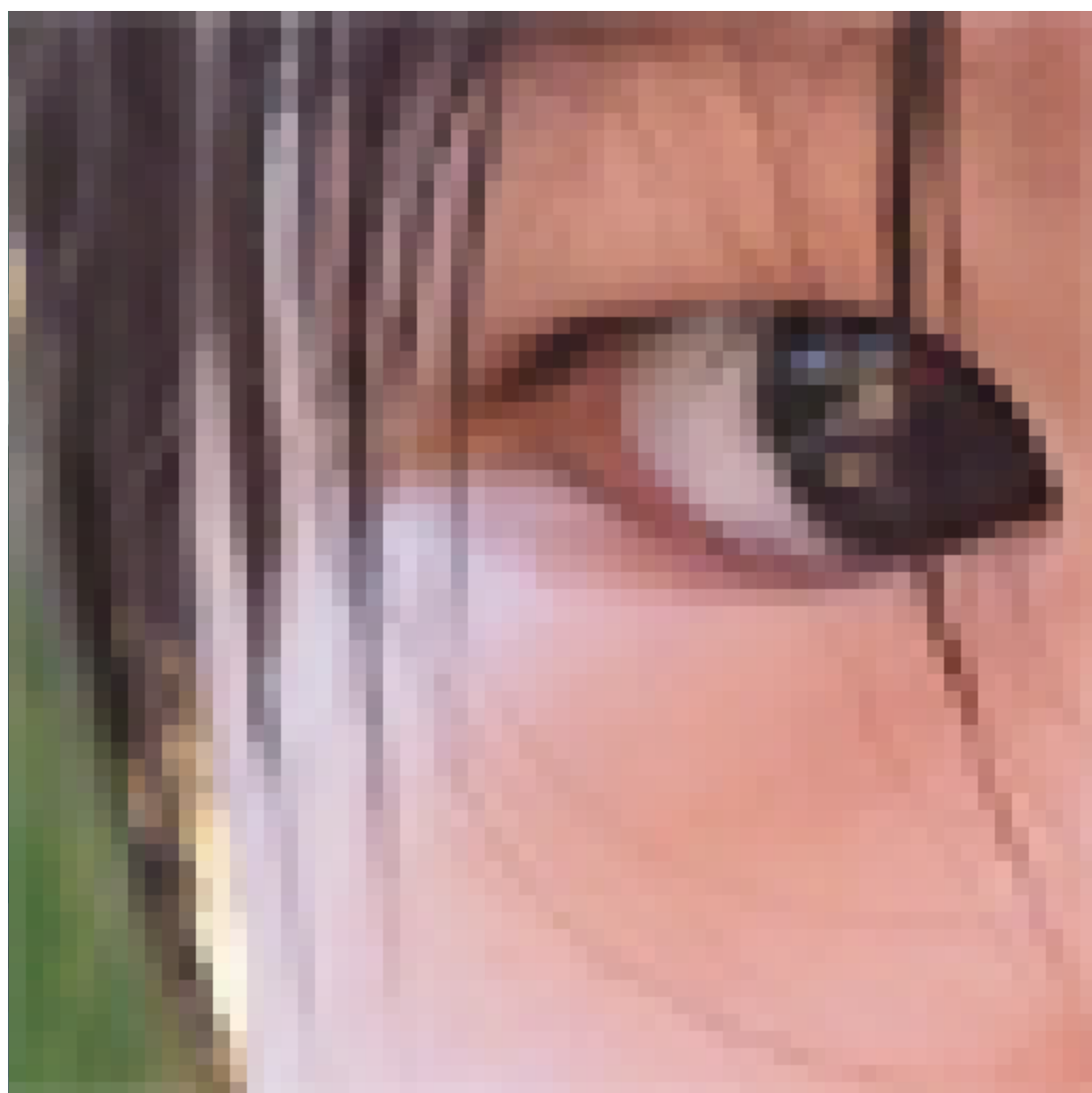
# **Texture Magnification**



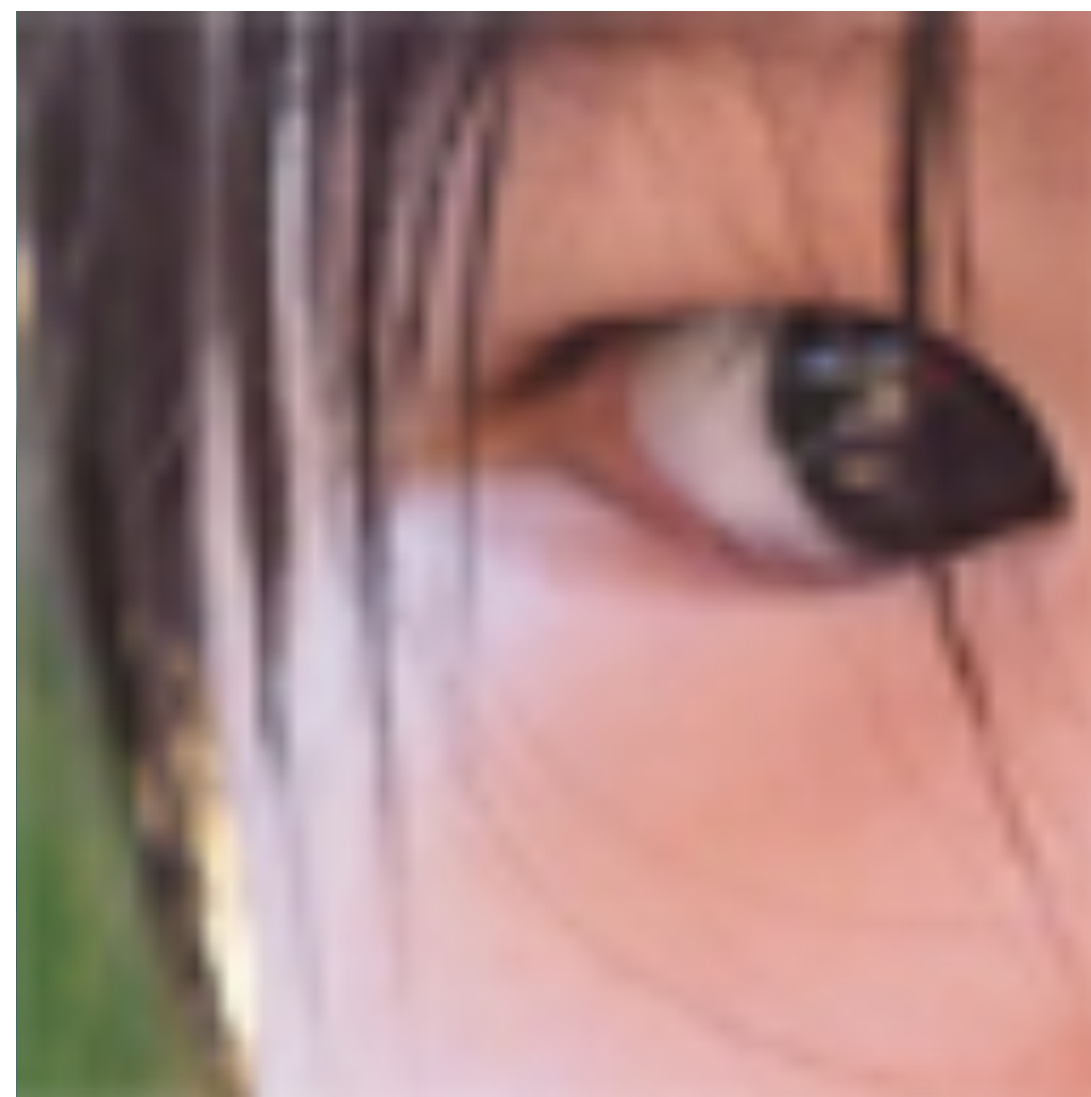
# Texture Magnification - Easy Case

(Generally don't want this — insufficient resolution)

This is image interpolation (will see kernel function)



**Nearest**

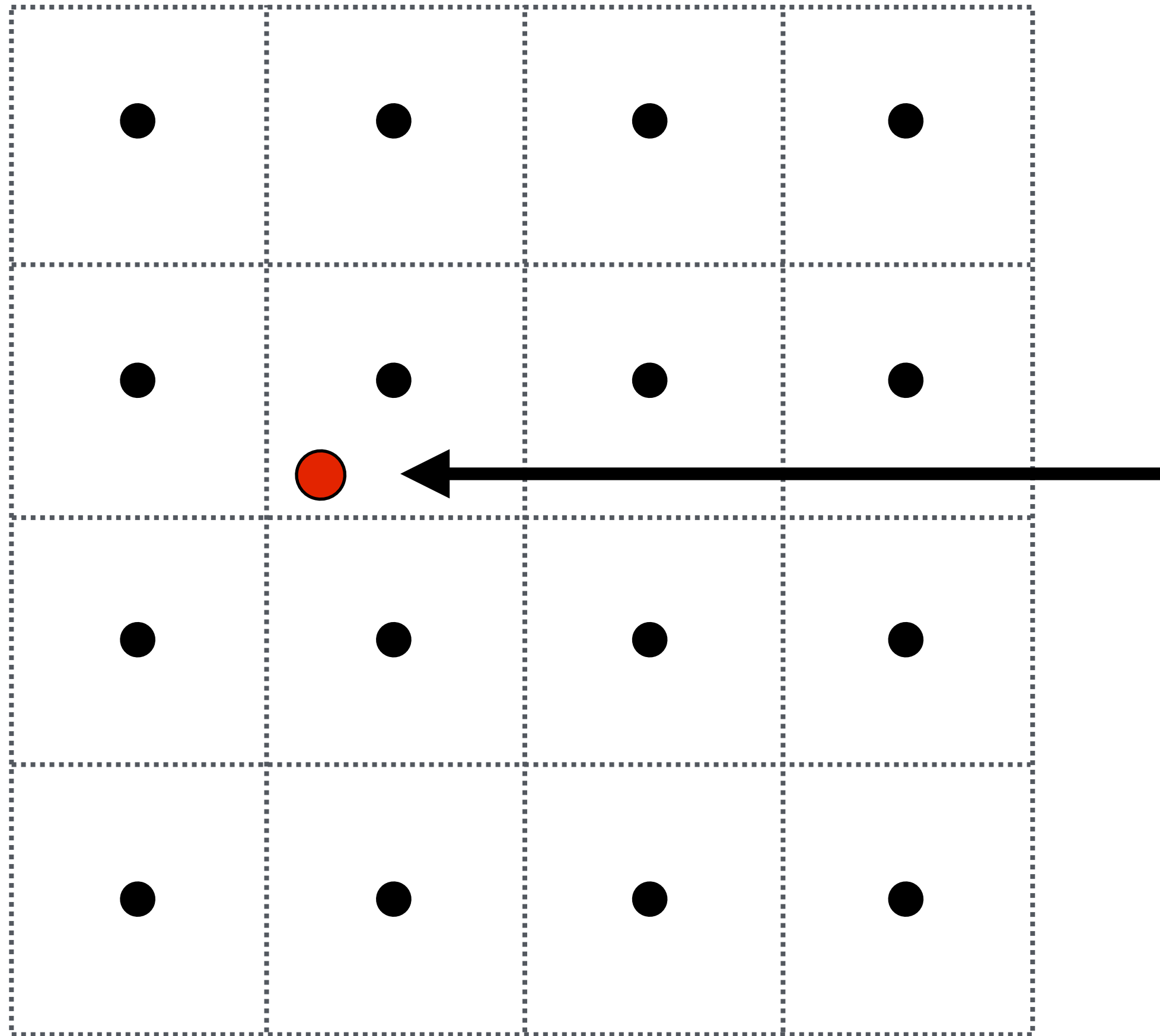


**Bilinear**



**Bicubic**

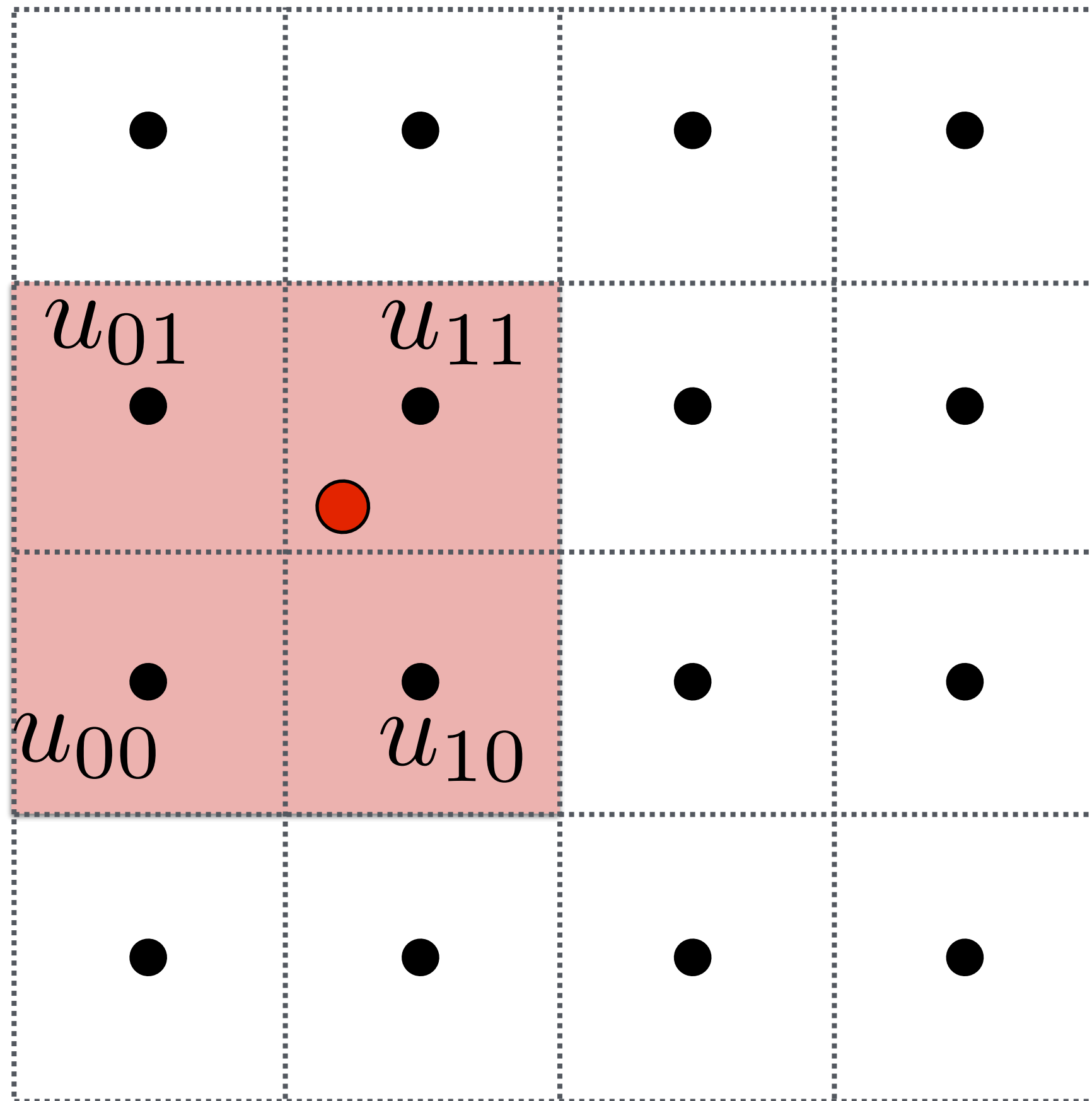
# Bilinear Filtering



Want to sample  
texture value  $f(u,v)$  at  
red point

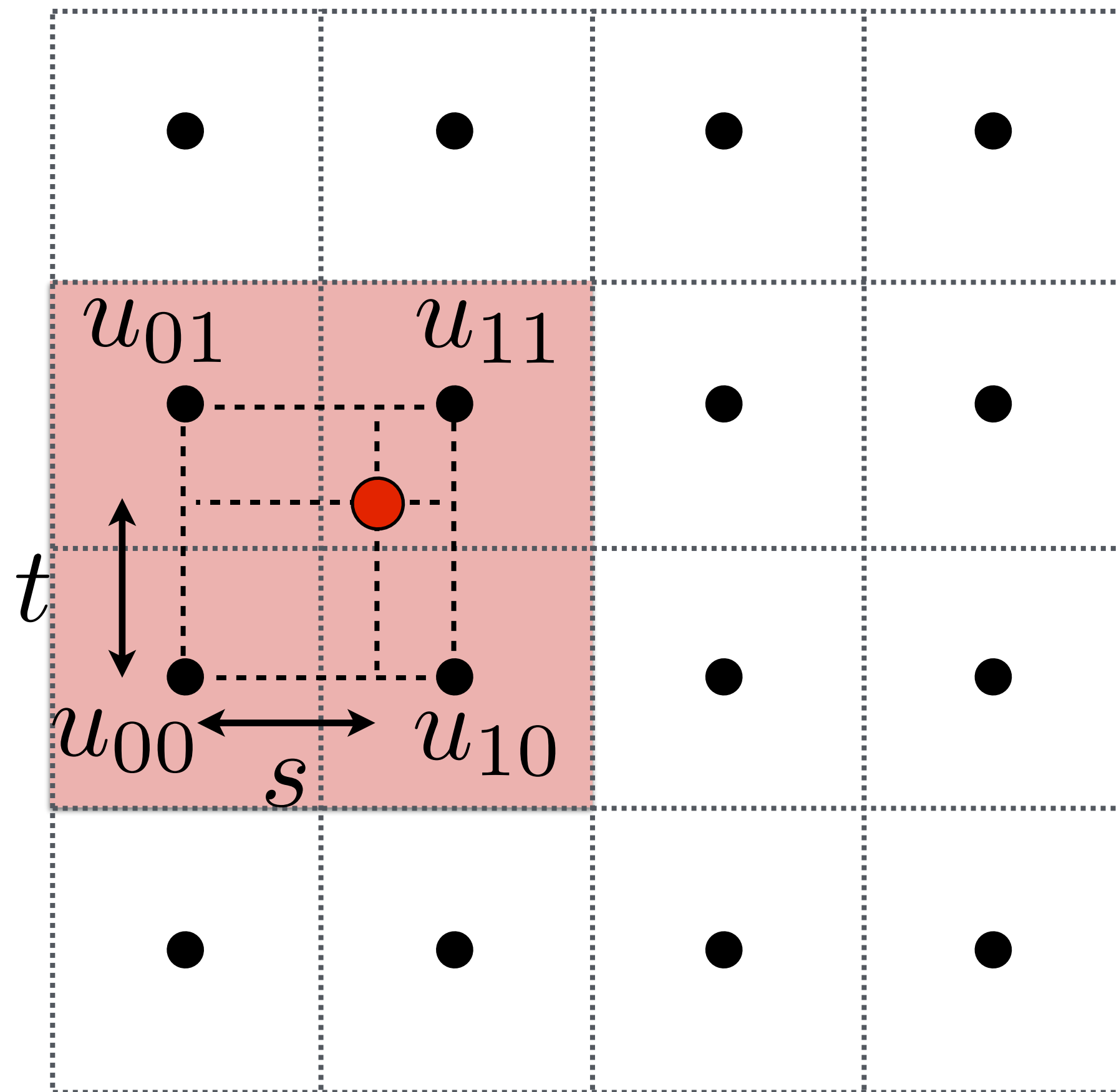
Black points indicate  
texture sample  
locations

# Bilinear Filtering



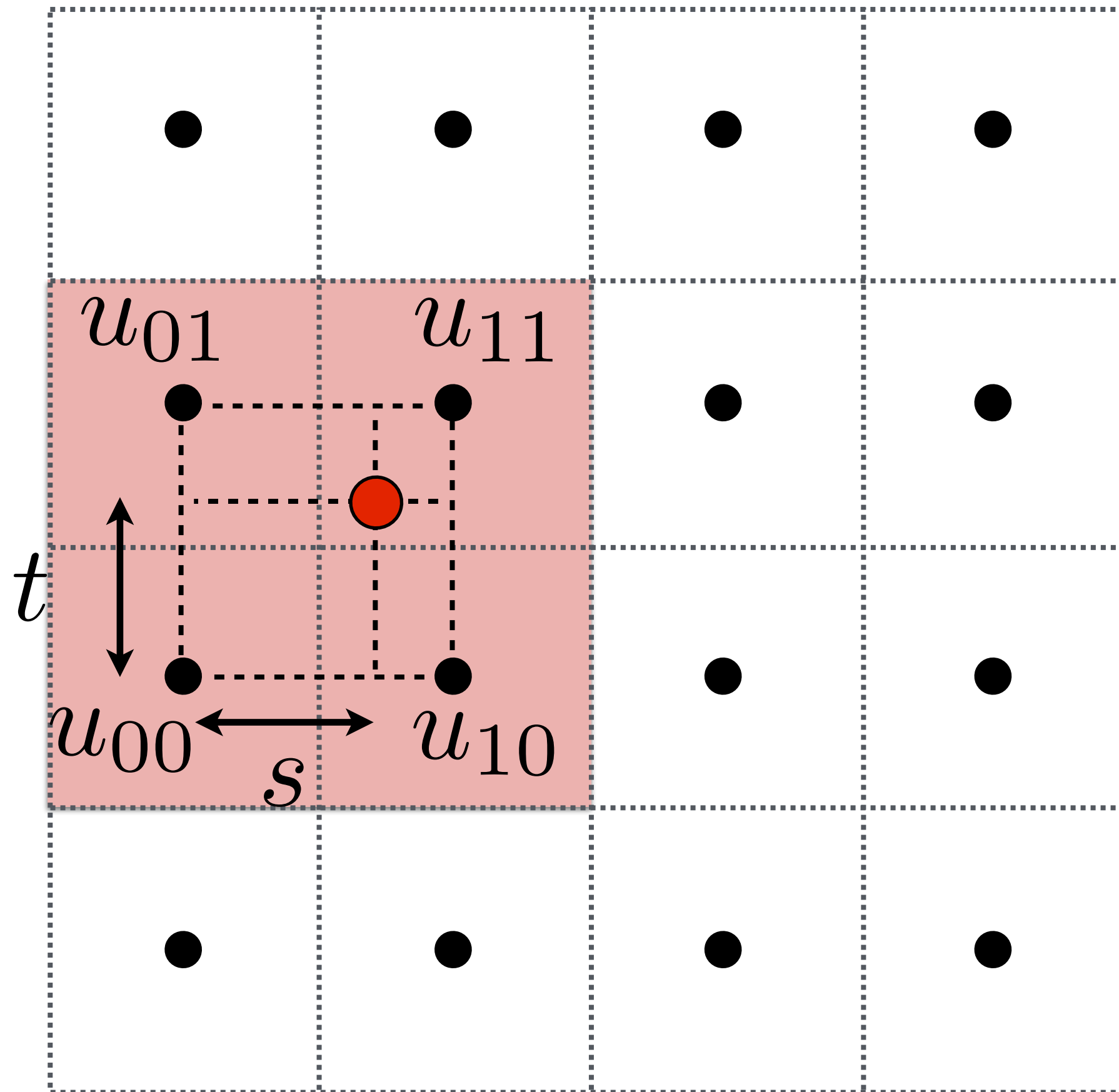
Take 4 nearest sample locations, with texture values as labeled.

# Bilinear Filtering



And fractional offsets,  $(s, t)$  as shown

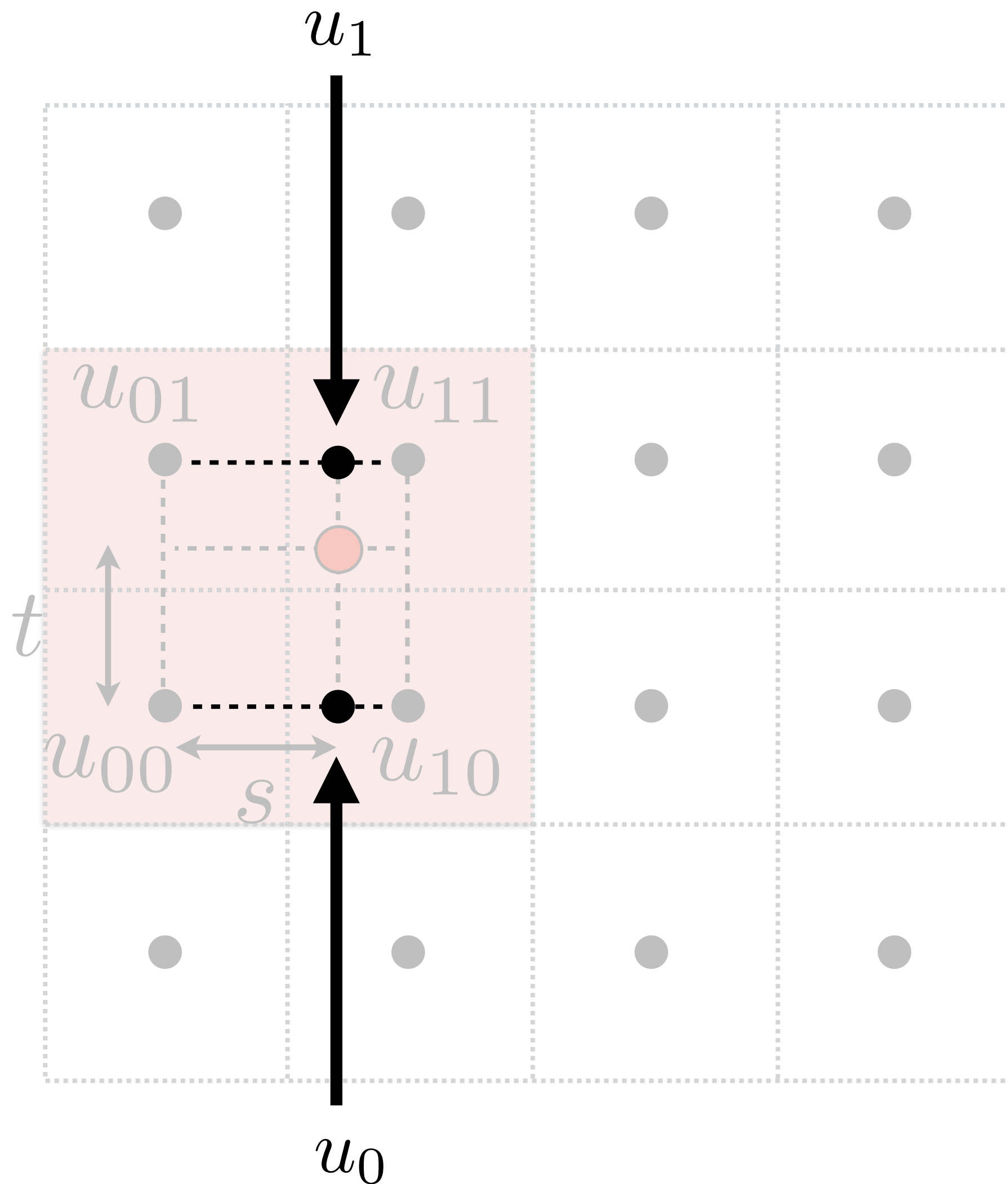
# Bilinear Filtering



**Linear interpolation (1D)**

$$\text{lerp}(x, v_0, v_1) = v_0 + x(v_1 - v_0)$$

# Bilinear Filtering



## Linear interpolation (1D)

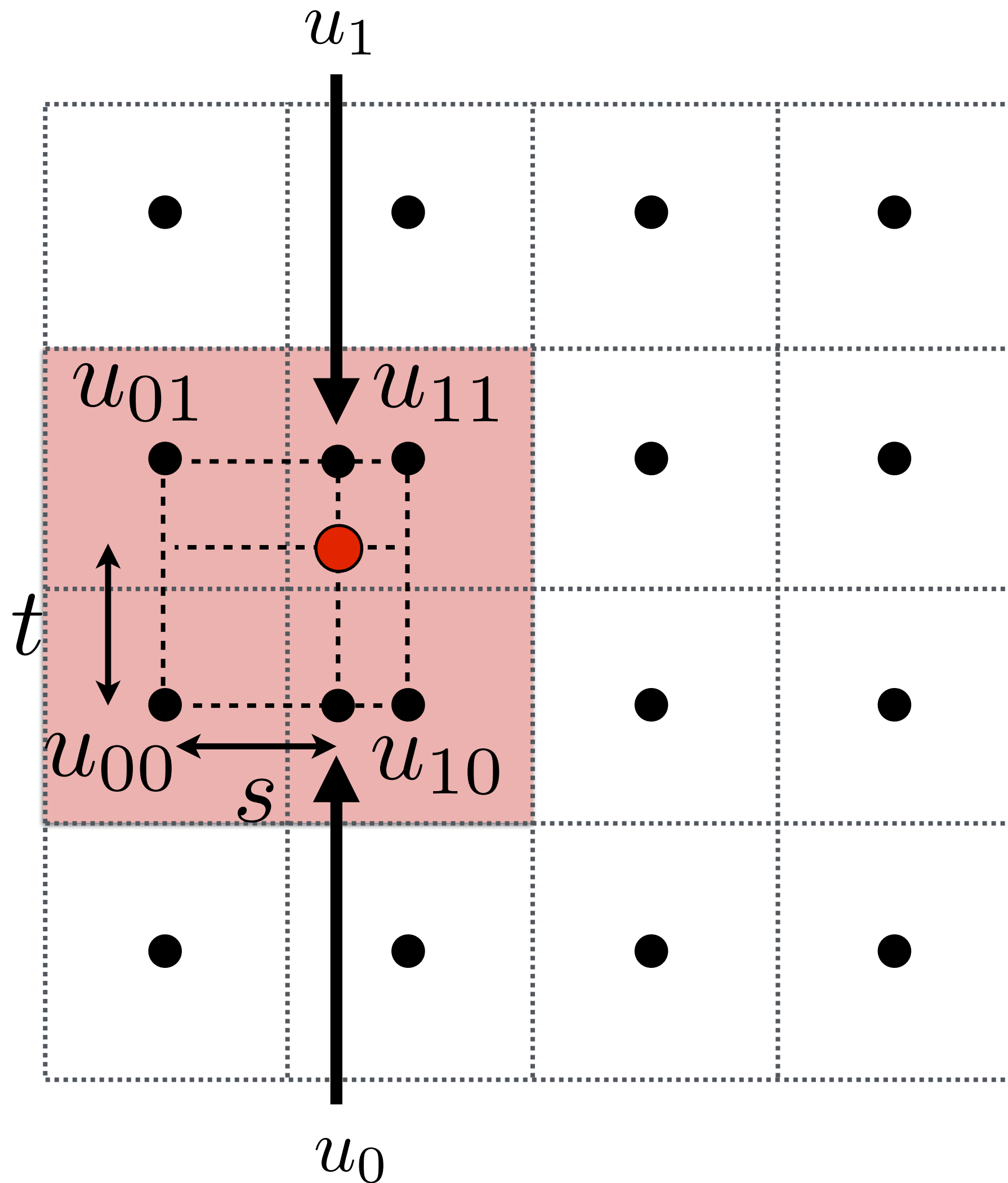
$$\text{lerp}(x, v_0, v_1) = v_0 + x(v_1 - v_0)$$

## Two helper lerps (horizontal)

$$u_0 = \text{lerp}(s, u_{00}, u_{10})$$

$$u_1 = \text{lerp}(s, u_{01}, u_{11})$$

# Bilinear Filtering



## Linear interpolation (1D)

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$$u_1 = \text{lerp}(s, u_{01}, u_{11})$$

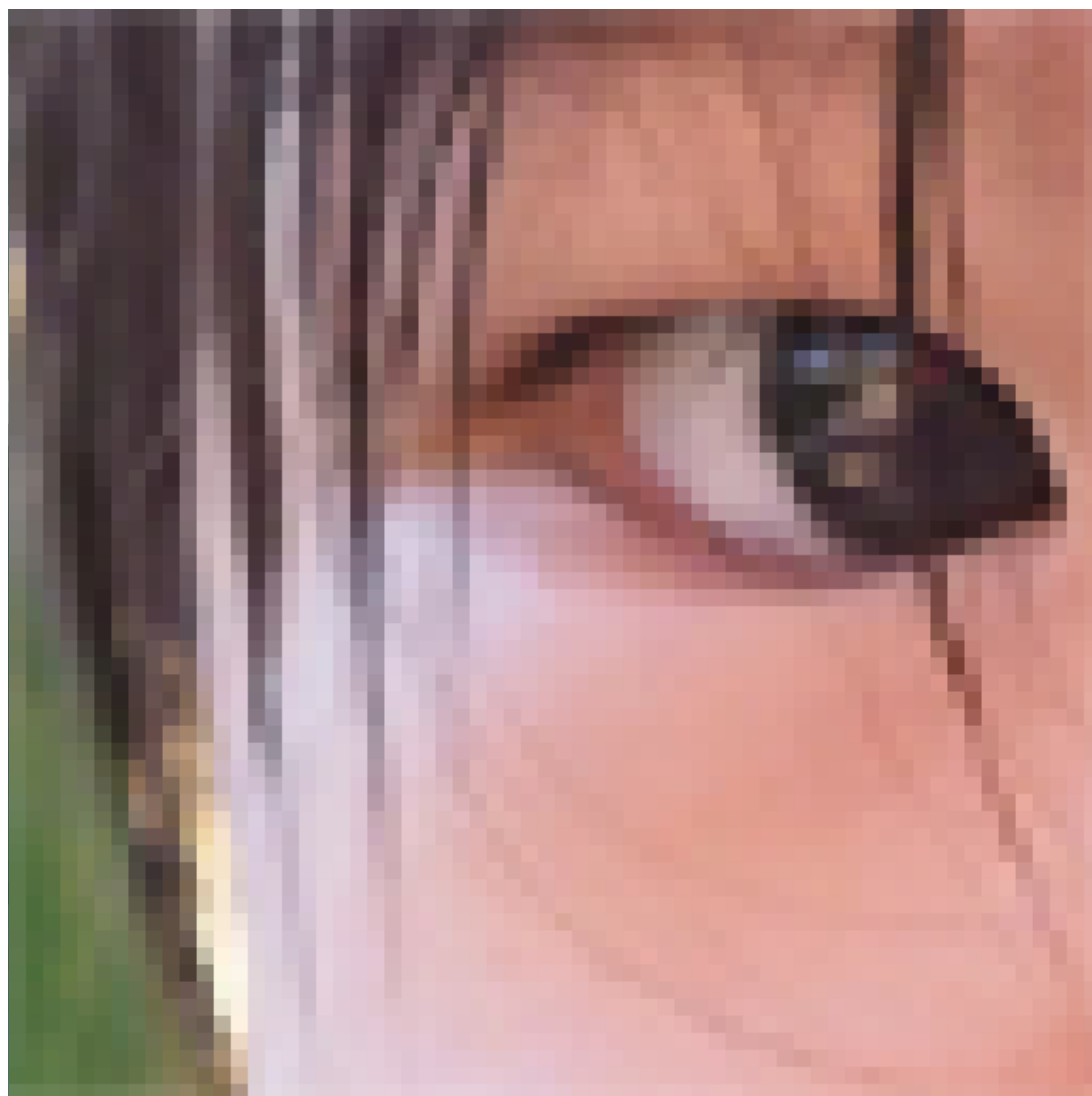
## Final vertical lerp, to get result:

$$f(x, y) = \text{lerp}(t, u_0, u_1)$$

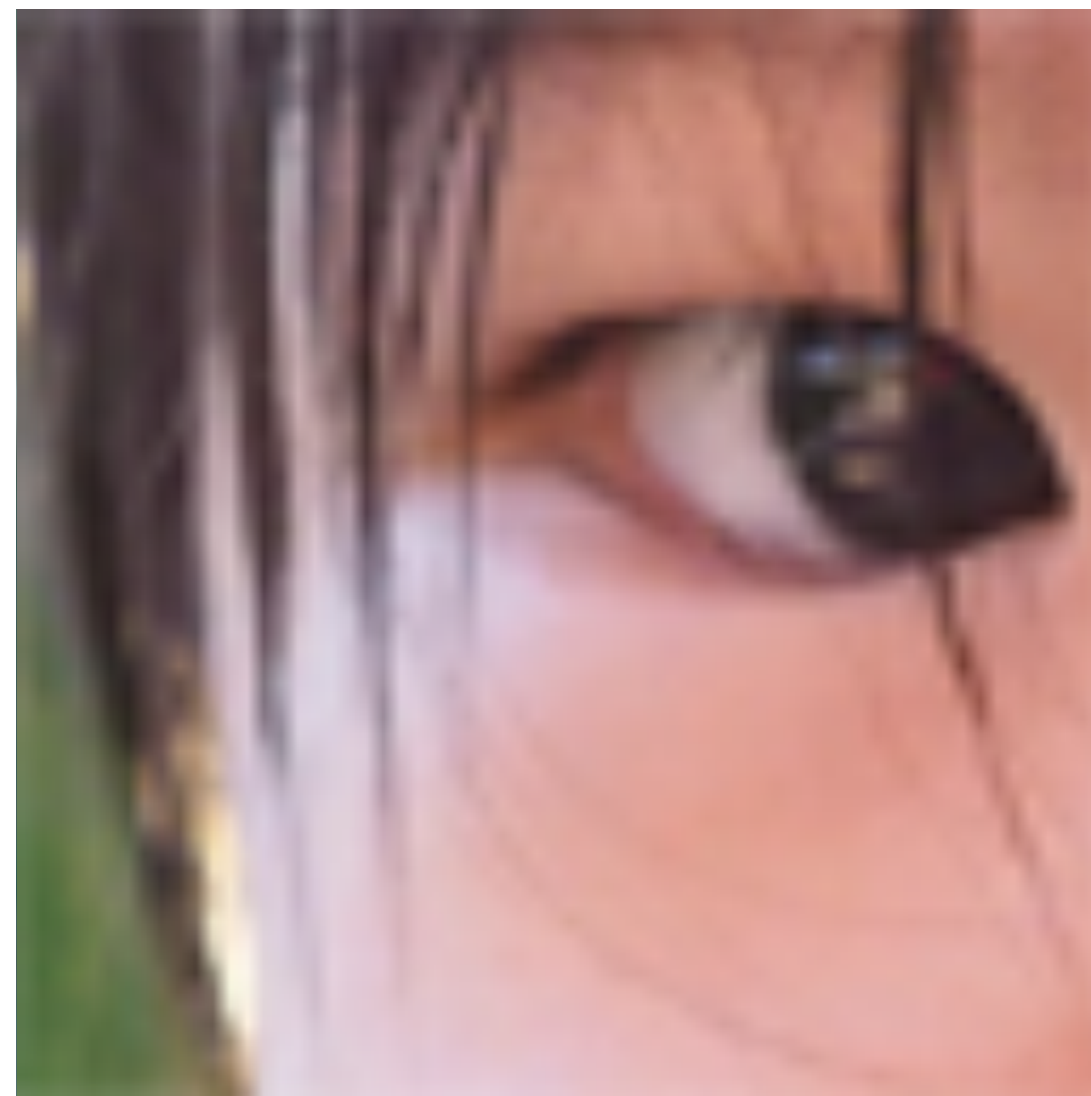
# Reconstruction Filter Function

Test your understanding:

- What is the reconstruction filter  $k(x,y)$  for bilinear interpolation? Nearest? What is a theoretically ideal filter? What are the pros/cons of each?



Nearest



Bilinear



Bicubic



# **Texture Minification**

# Texture Minification - Hard Case

## Challenging

- Many texels can contribute to pixel footprint
- Shape of pixel footprint can be complex

## Idea:

- Take texture image file, then low-pass filter it (i.e. filter out high frequencies) and downsample it (i.e. sample at a lower resolution) texture file. Do this recursively, and store successively lower resolution, each with successively lower maximum signal frequency.
- For each sample, use the texture file whose resolution approximates the screen sampling rate

# Level 0 - Full Resolution Texture



# Level 2 - Downsample 4x4



# Level 4 - Downsample 16x16



# Mipmap (L. Williams 83)



Level 0 = 128x128



Level 1 = 64x64



Level 2 = 32x32



Level 3 = 16x16



Level 4 = 8x8



Level 5 = 4x4



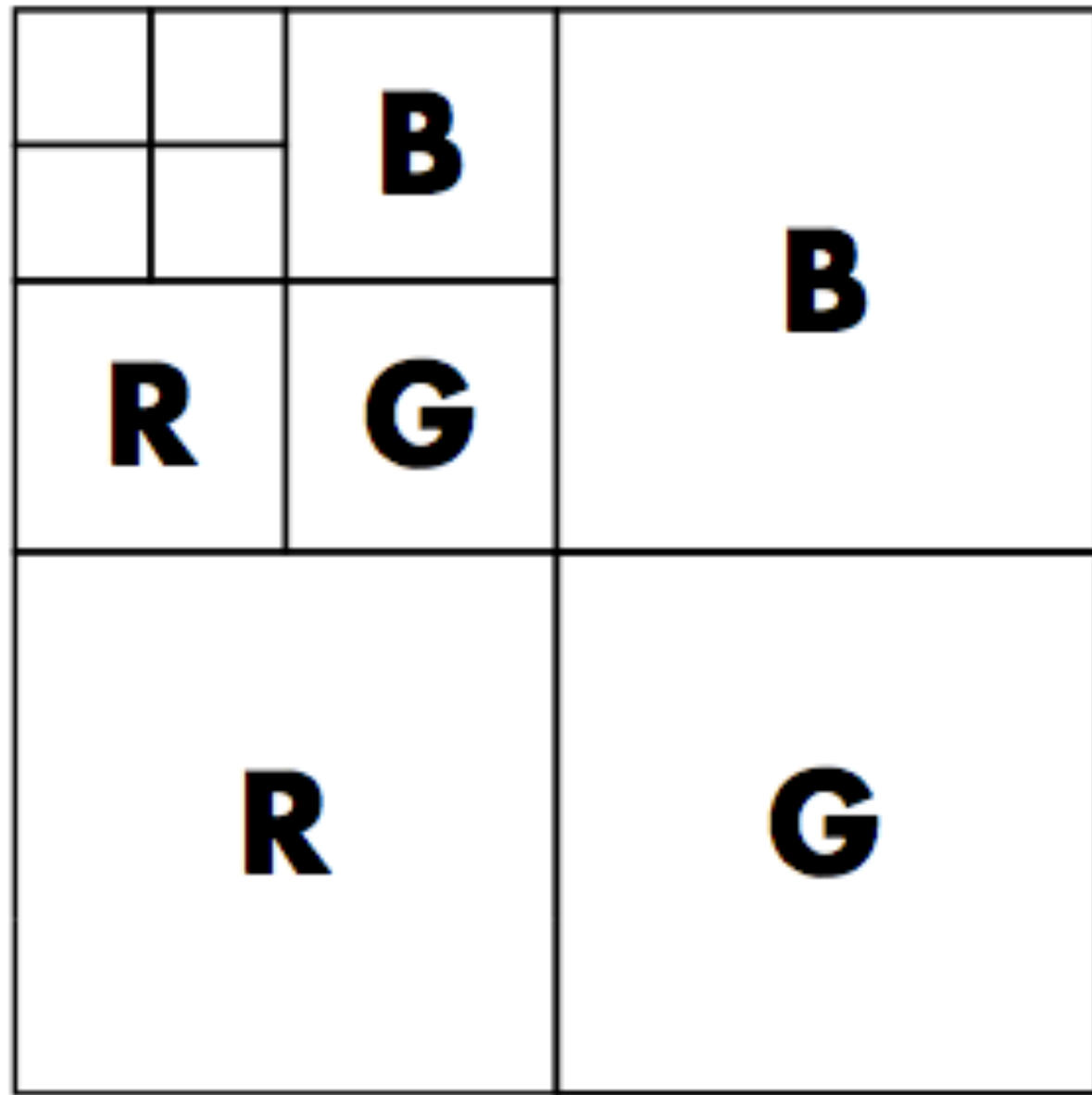
Level 6 = 2x2



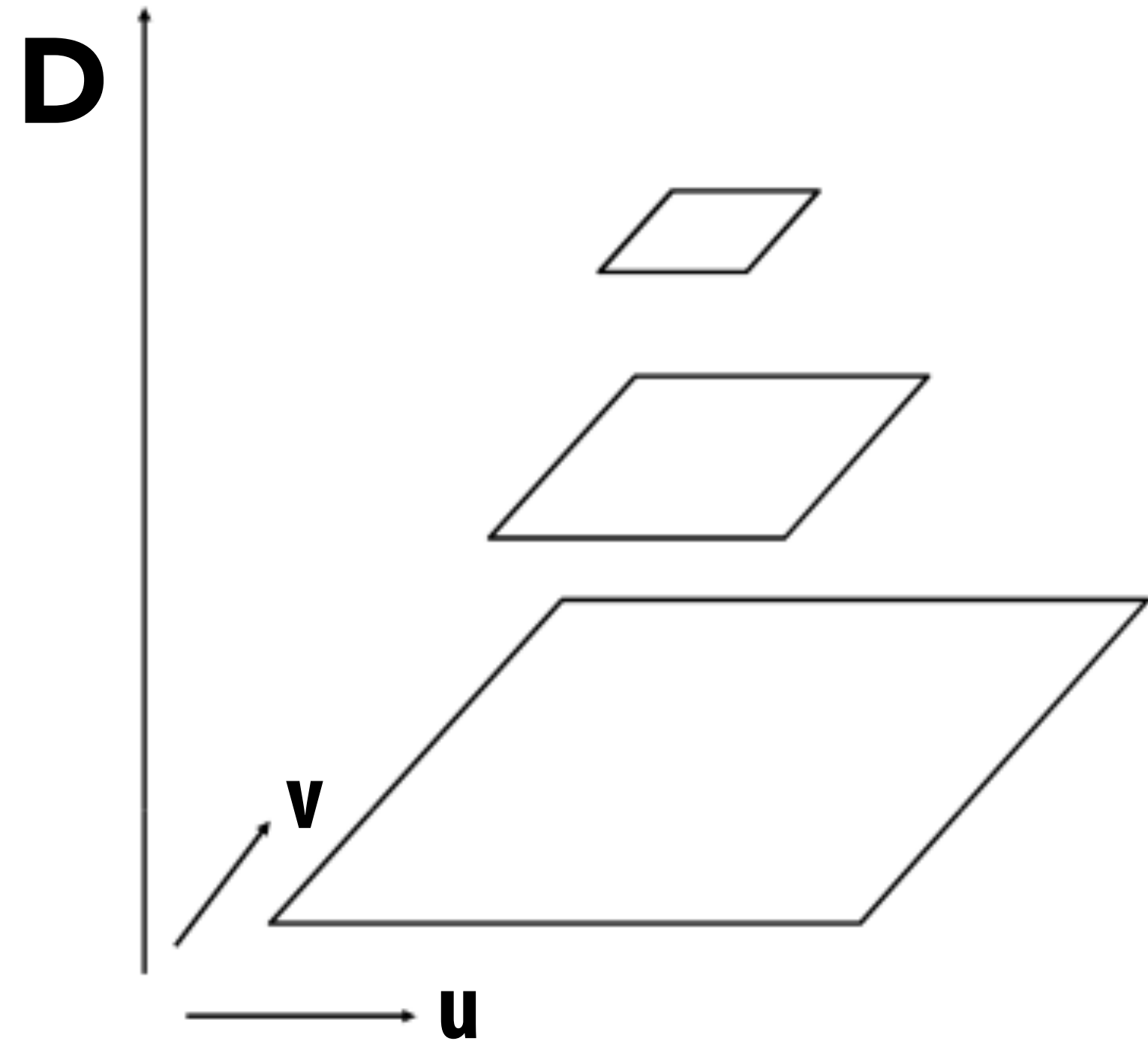
Level 7 = 1x1

"Mip" comes from the Latin "multum in parvo", meaning a multitude in a small space

# Mipmap (L. Williams 83)



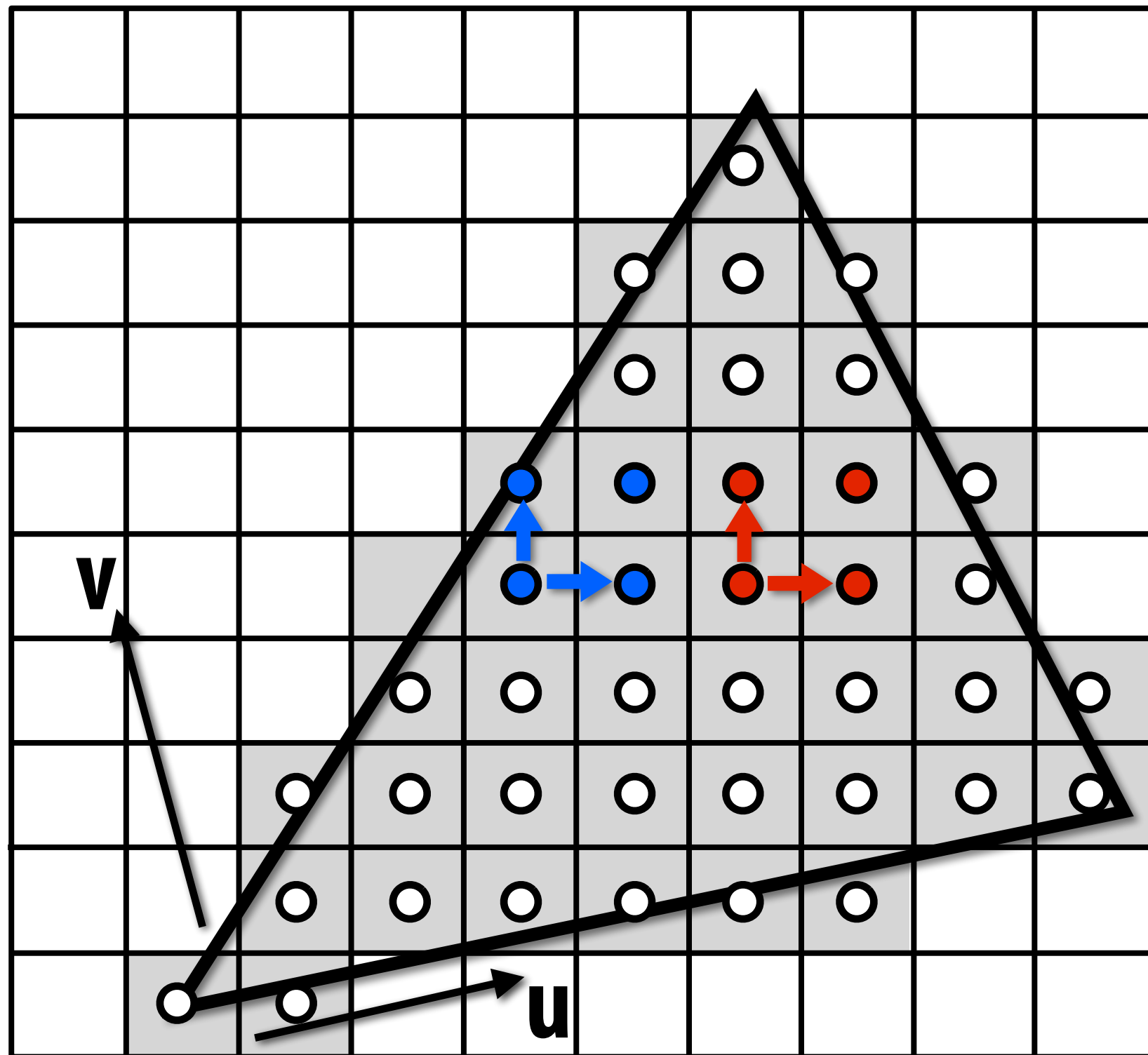
Williams' original  
proposed mipmap layout



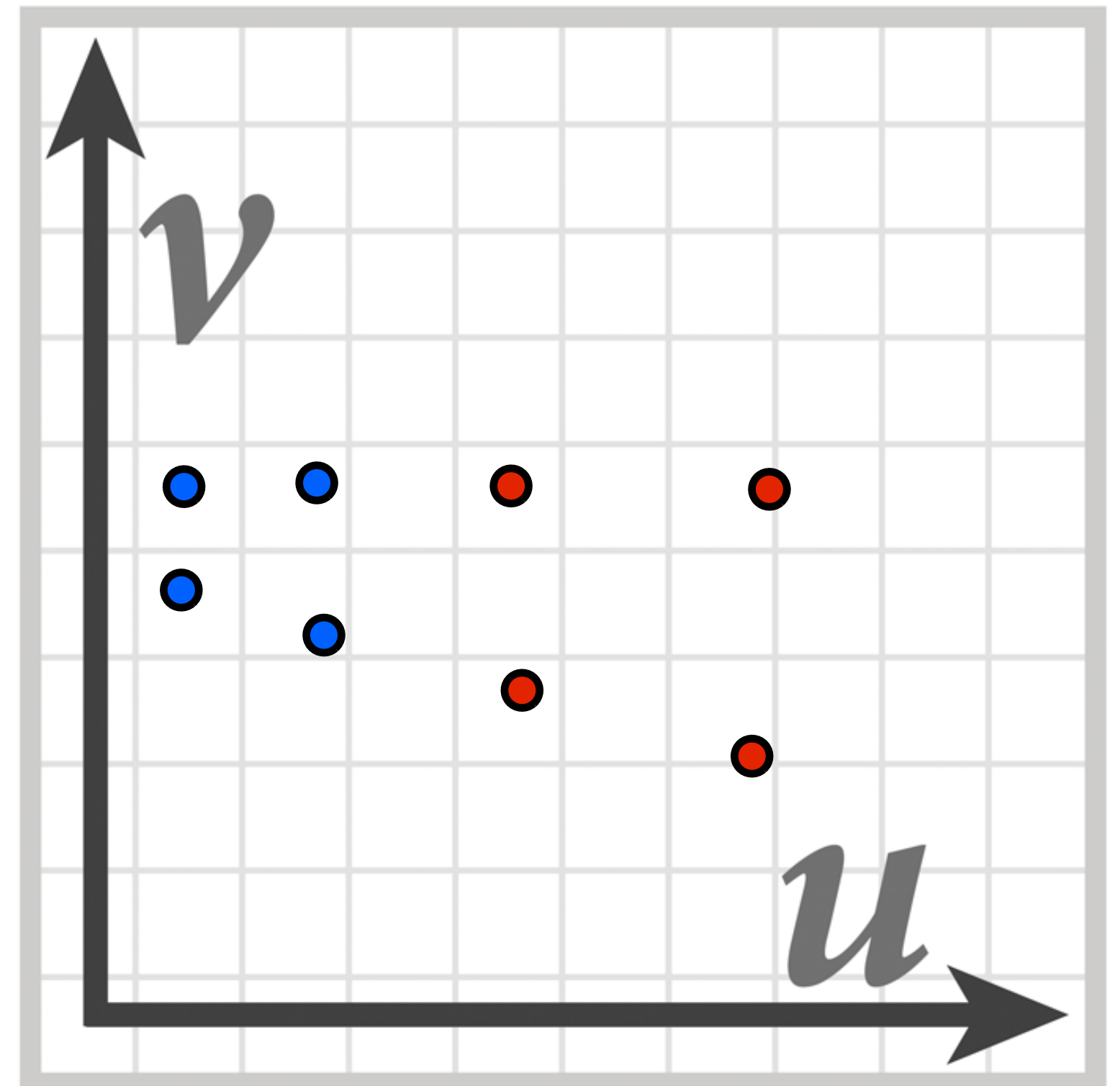
"Mip hierarchy"  
level = D

What is the storage overhead of a mipmap?

# Computing Mipmap Level D



Screen space (x,y)

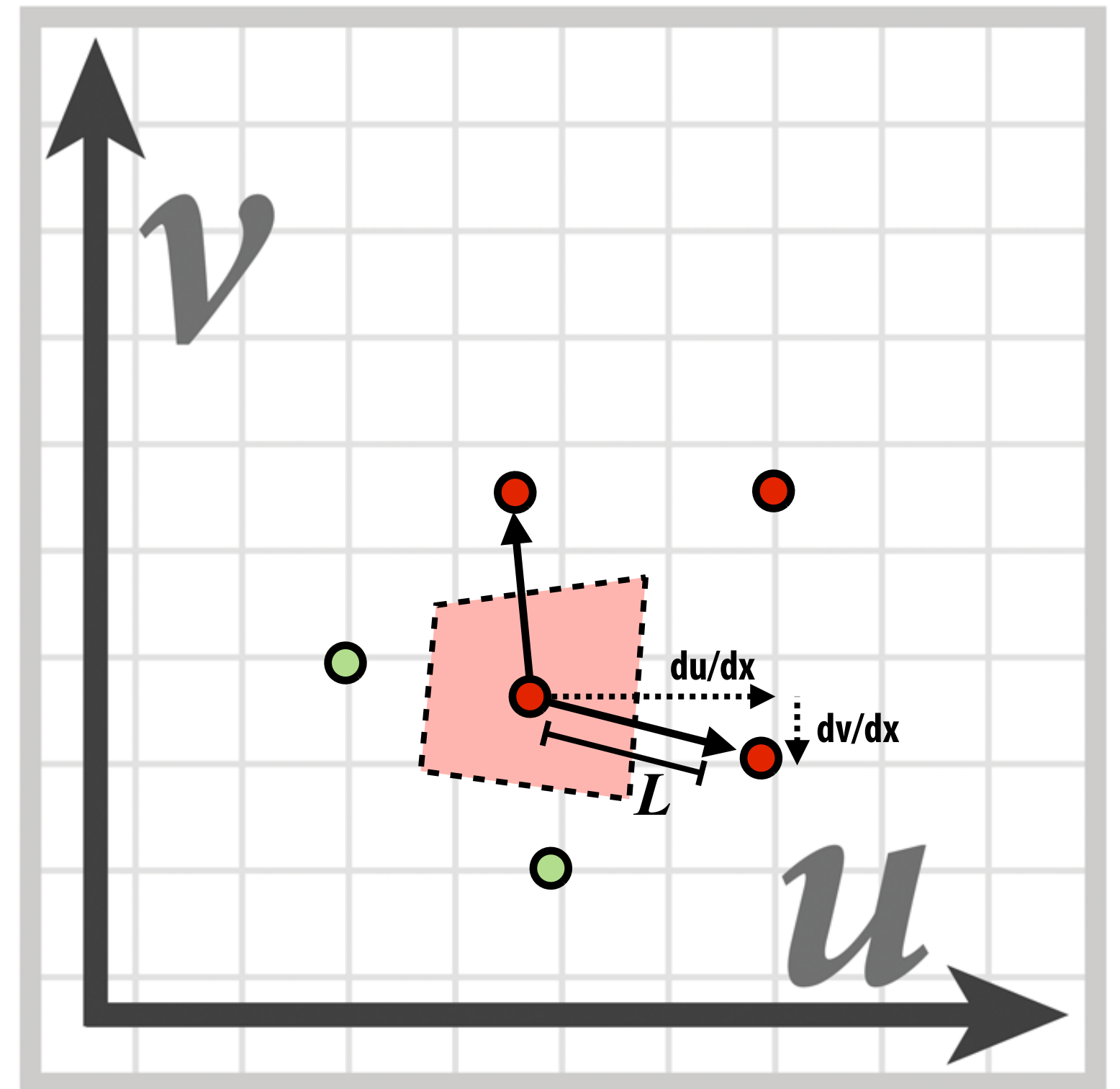
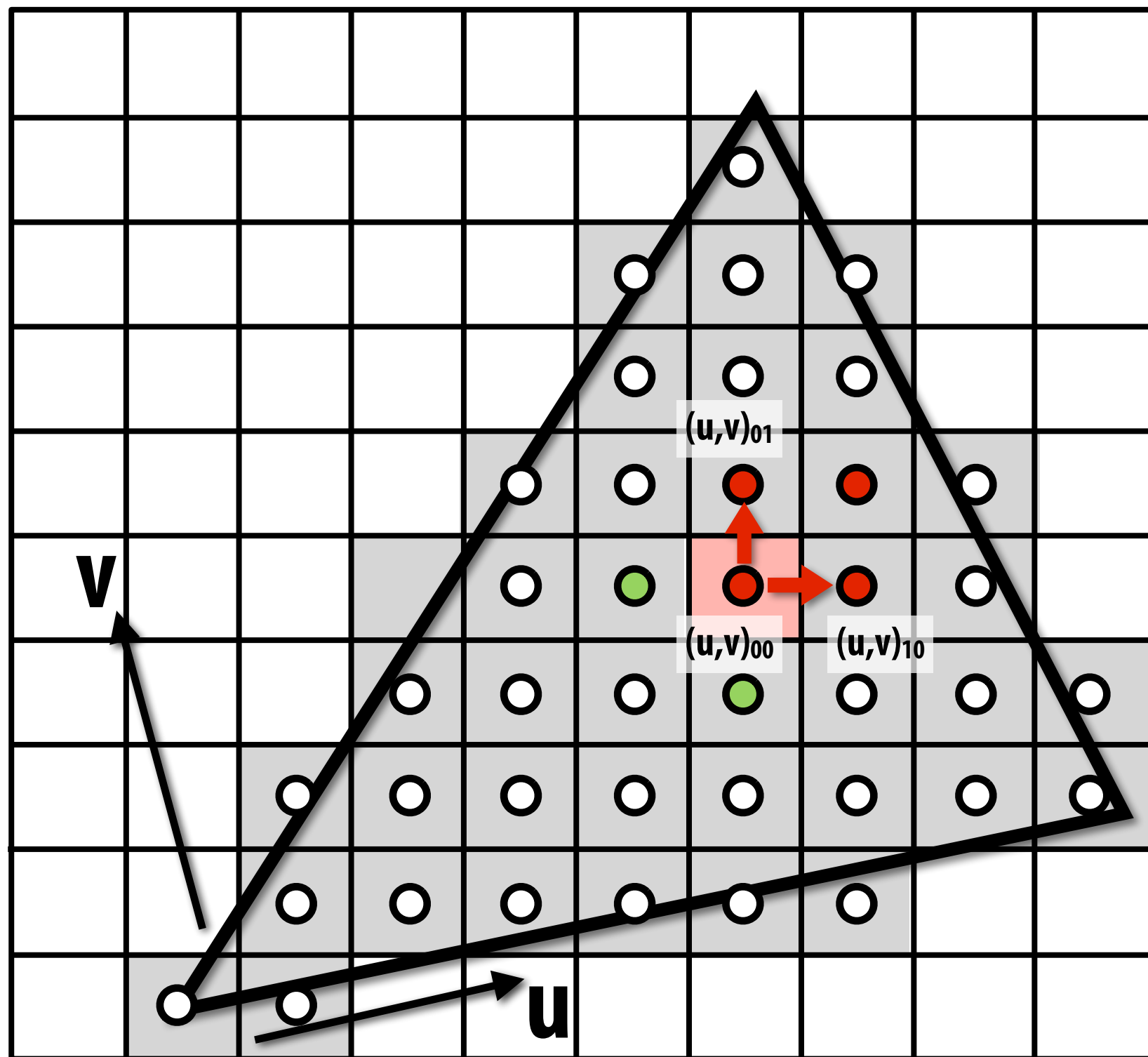


Texture space (u,v)

Estimate texture footprint using texture coordinates of neighboring screen samples



# Computing Mipmap Level D

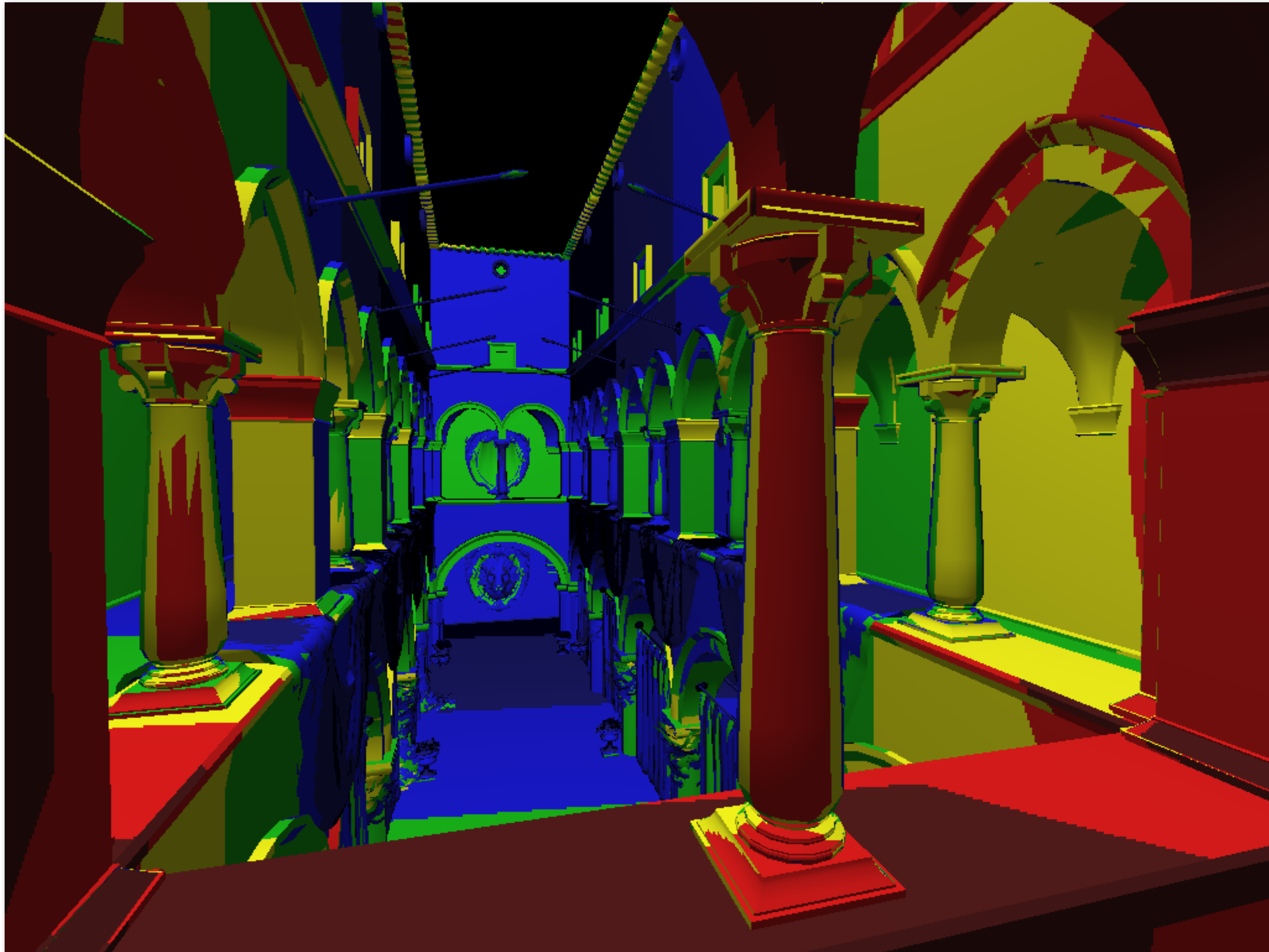


$$D = \log_2 L$$

$$L = \max \left( \sqrt{\left(\frac{du}{dx}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dv}{dx}\right)^2}, \sqrt{\left(\frac{du}{dy}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dv}{dy}\right)^2} \right)$$

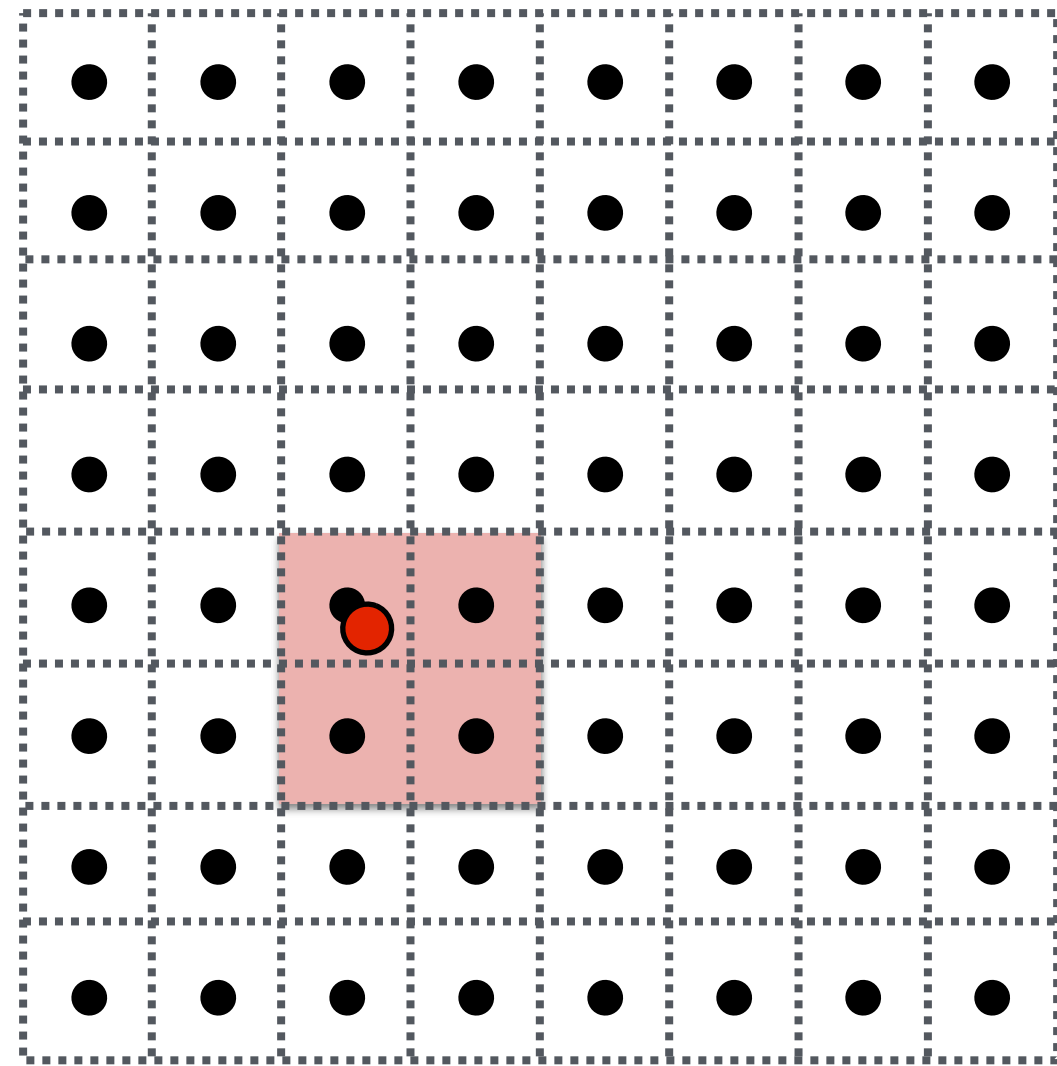


# Visualization of Mipmap Level

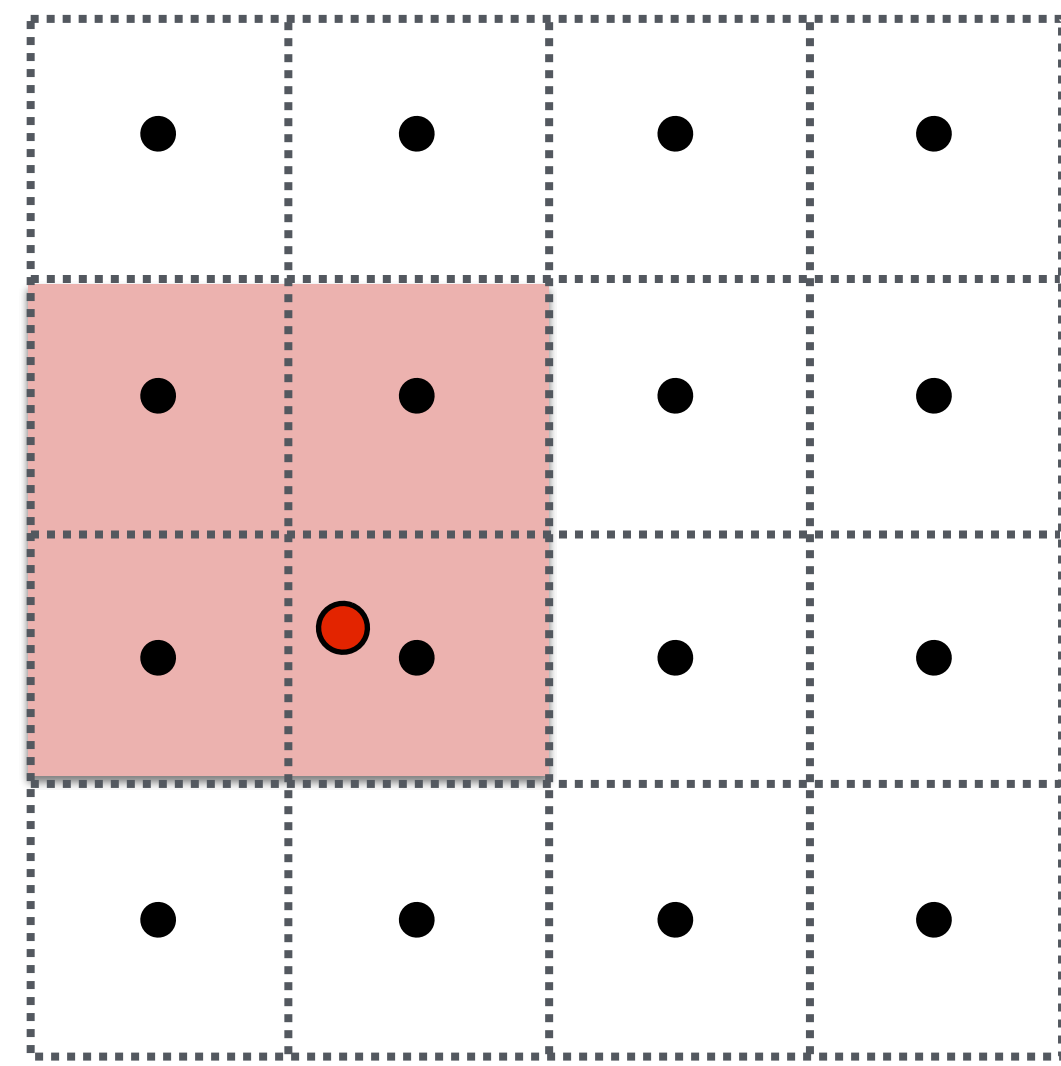


D rounded to nearest integer level

# Trilinear Filtering



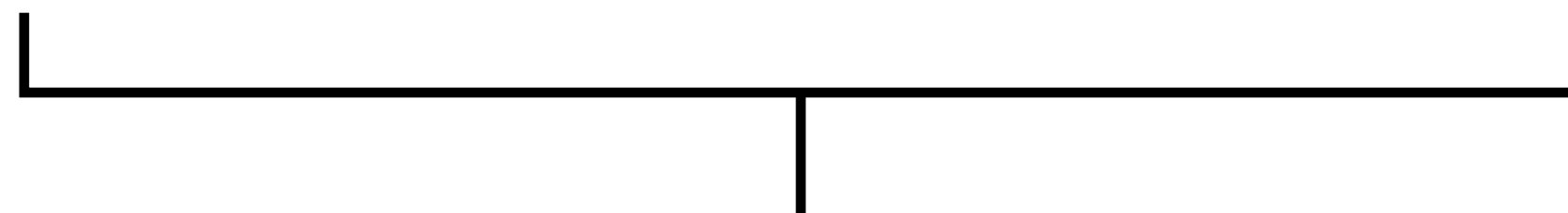
Mipmap Level D



Mipmap Level D+1

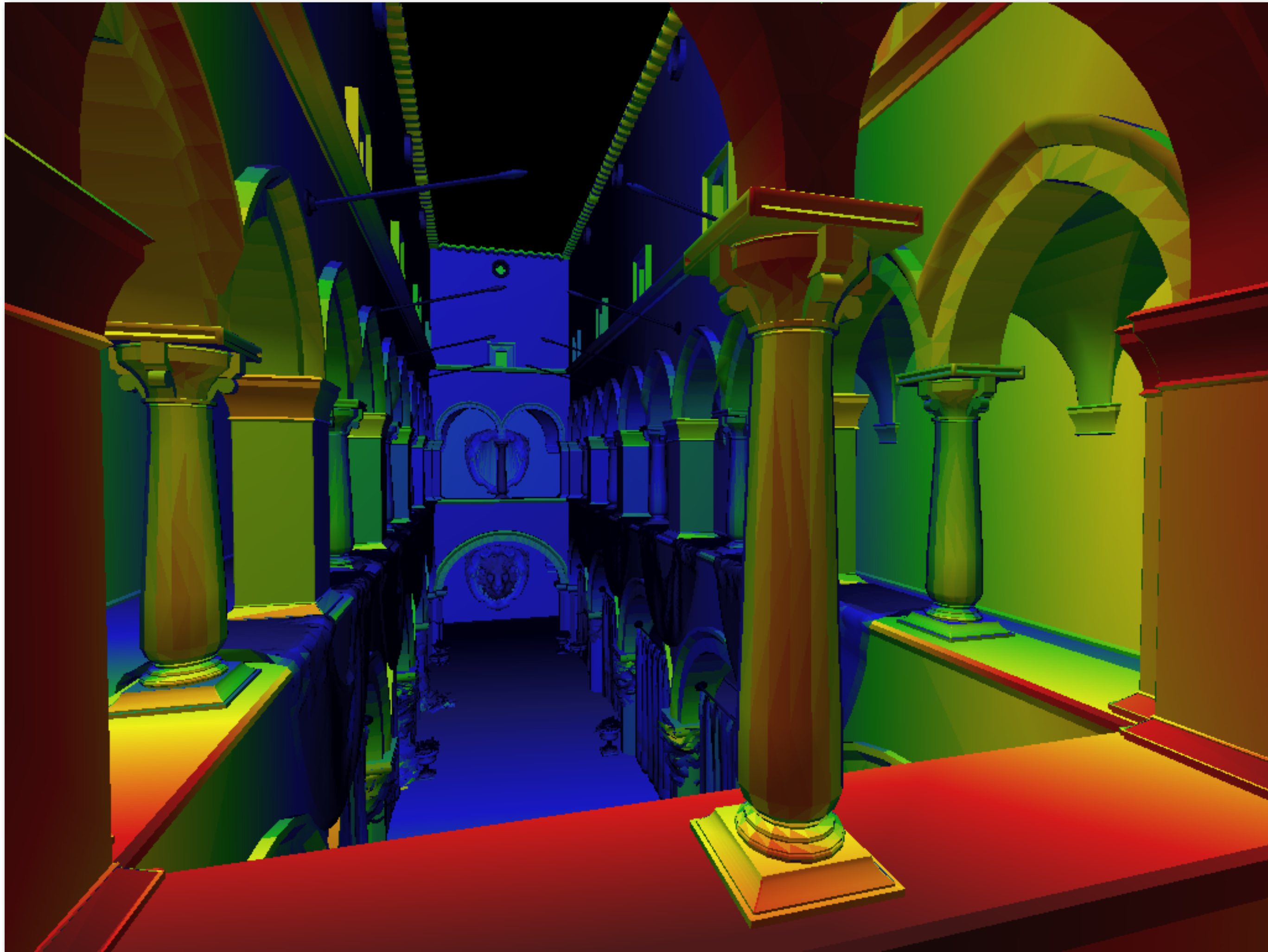
Bilinear result

Bilinear result



Linear interpolation based on continuous D value

# Visualization of Mipmap Level



Trilinear filtering: visualization of continuous D

# Bilinear vs Trilinear Filtering Cost

## Bilinear resampling:

- 4 texel reads
- 3 lerps (3 mul + 6 add)

## Trilinear resampling:

- 8 texel reads
- 7 lerps (7 mul + 14 add)

# Texture Filtering in Assignment

## Image resampling choices

- Nearest
- Bilinear interpolation

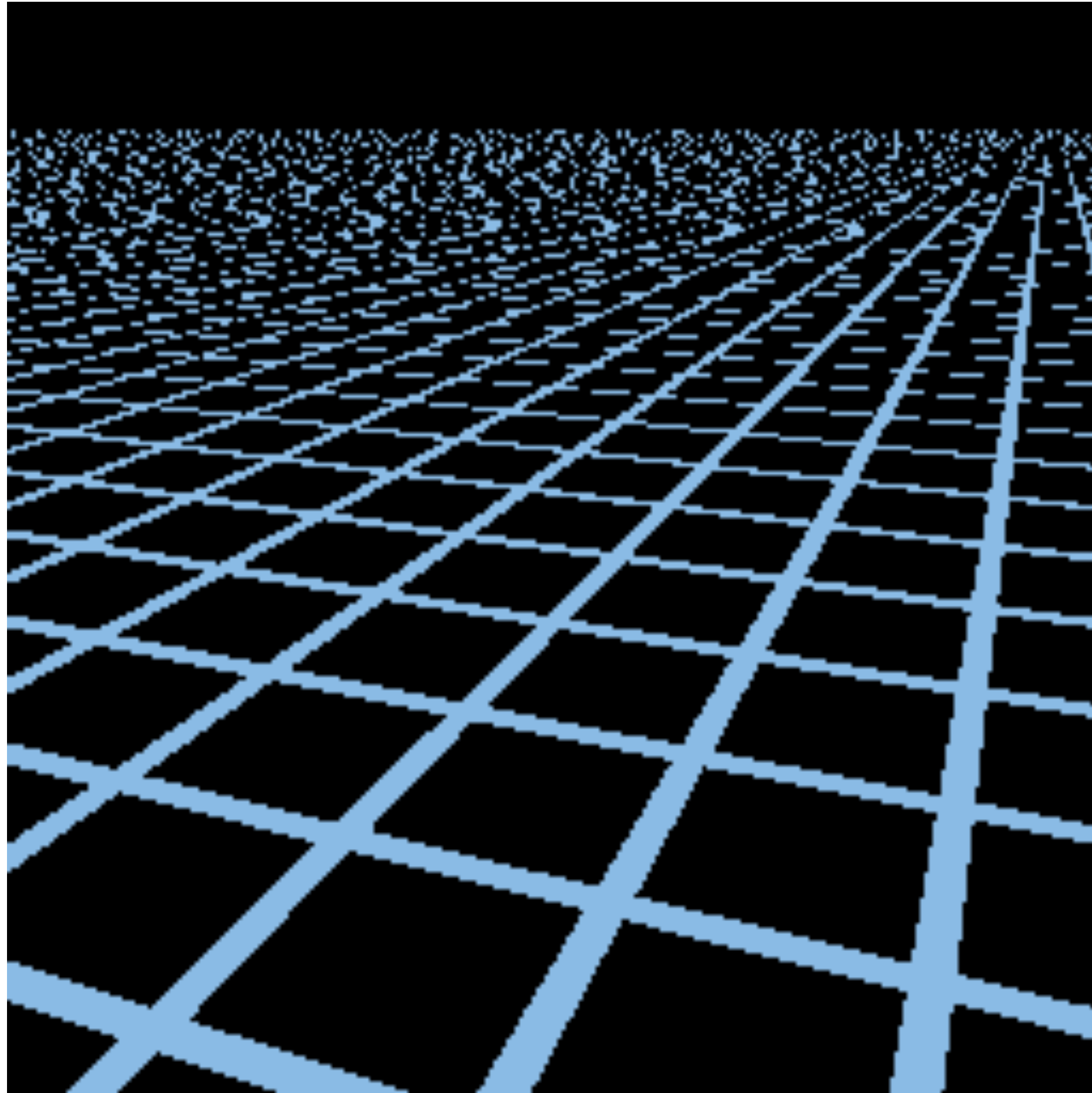
## Mipmap level resampling choices

- Always level 0
- Nearest D
- Linear interpolation



$2 \times 3 = 6$  choices

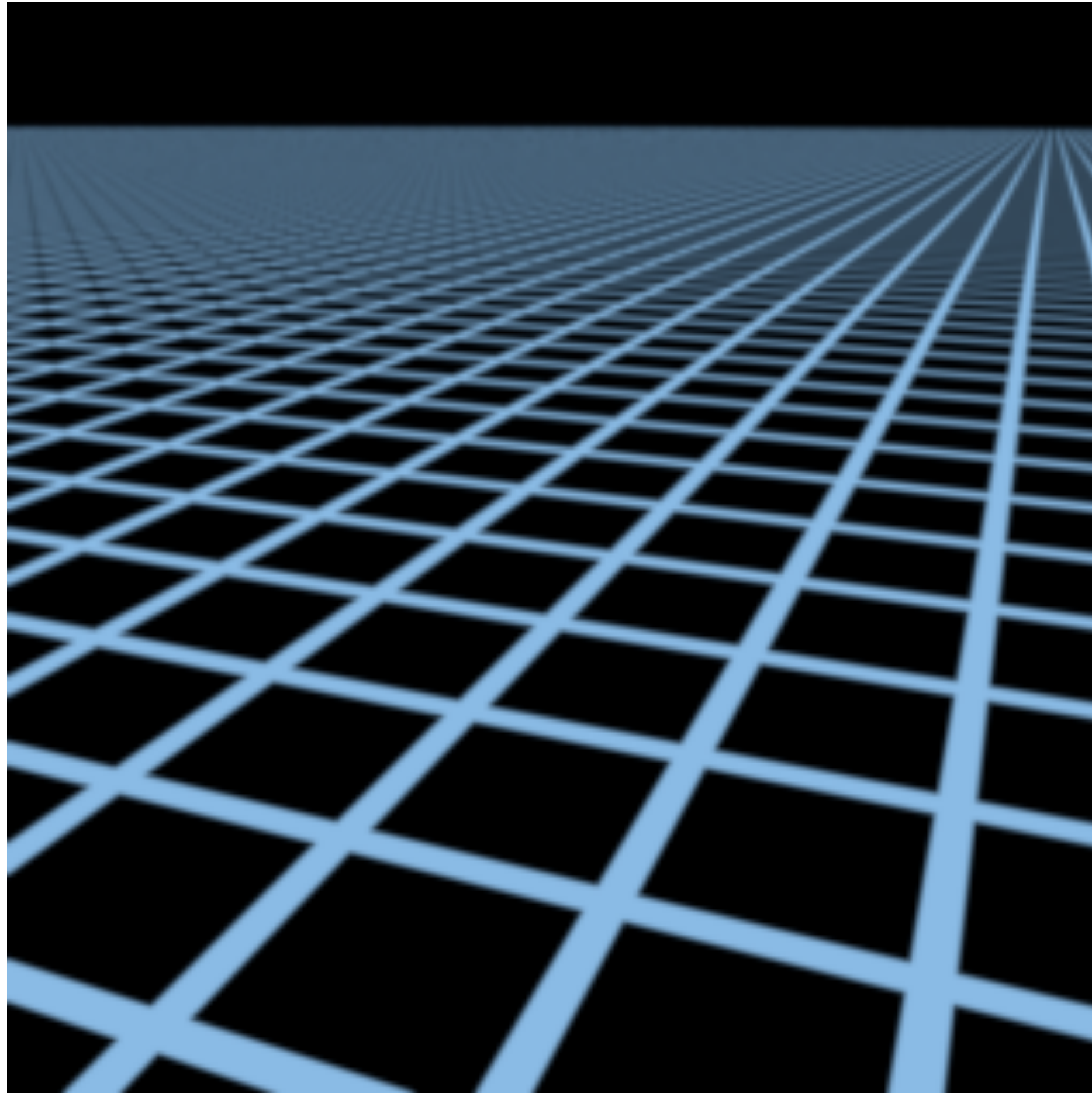
# Mipmap Limitations



Point sampling



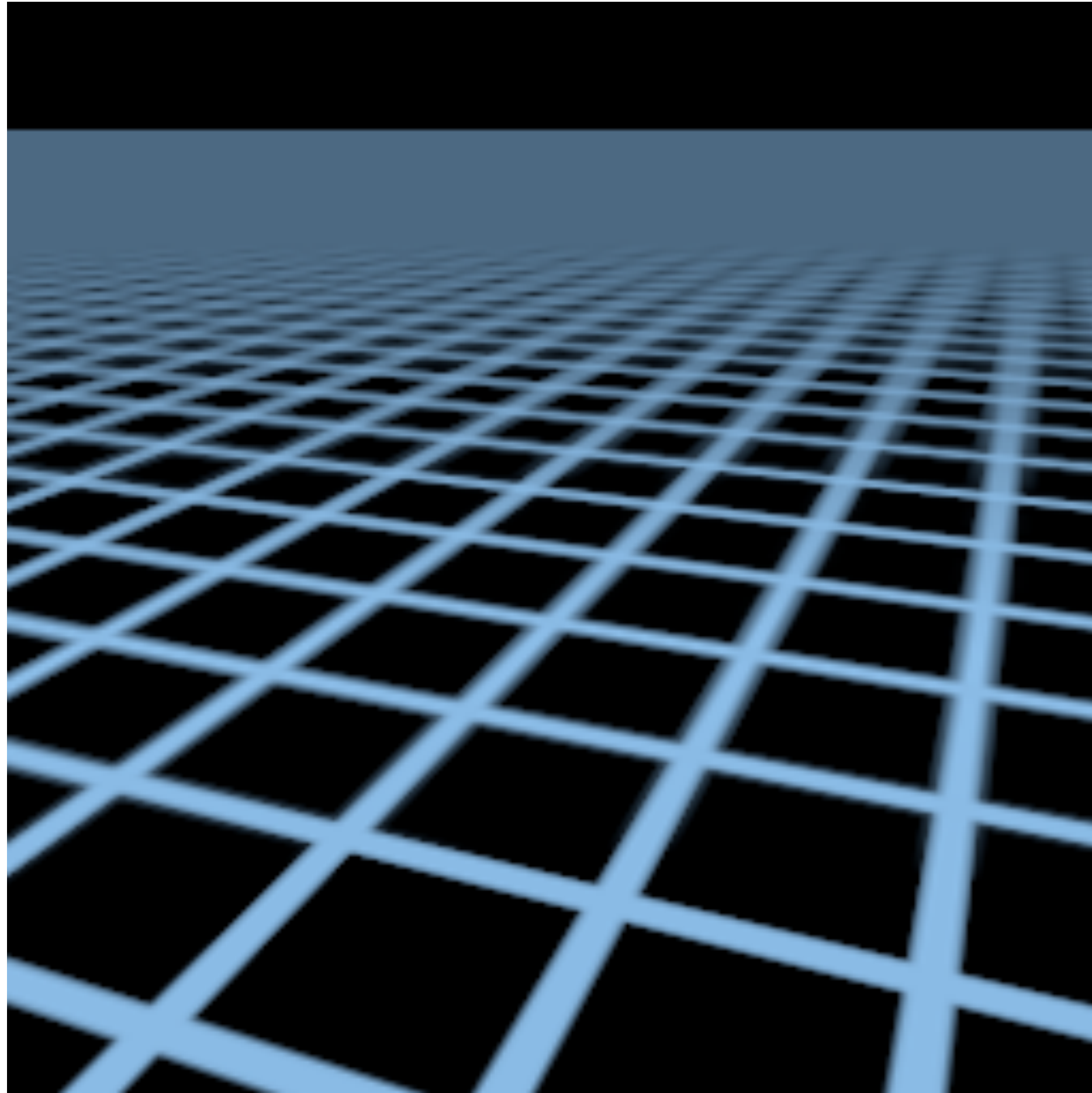
# Mipmap Limitations



**Supersampling 512x**

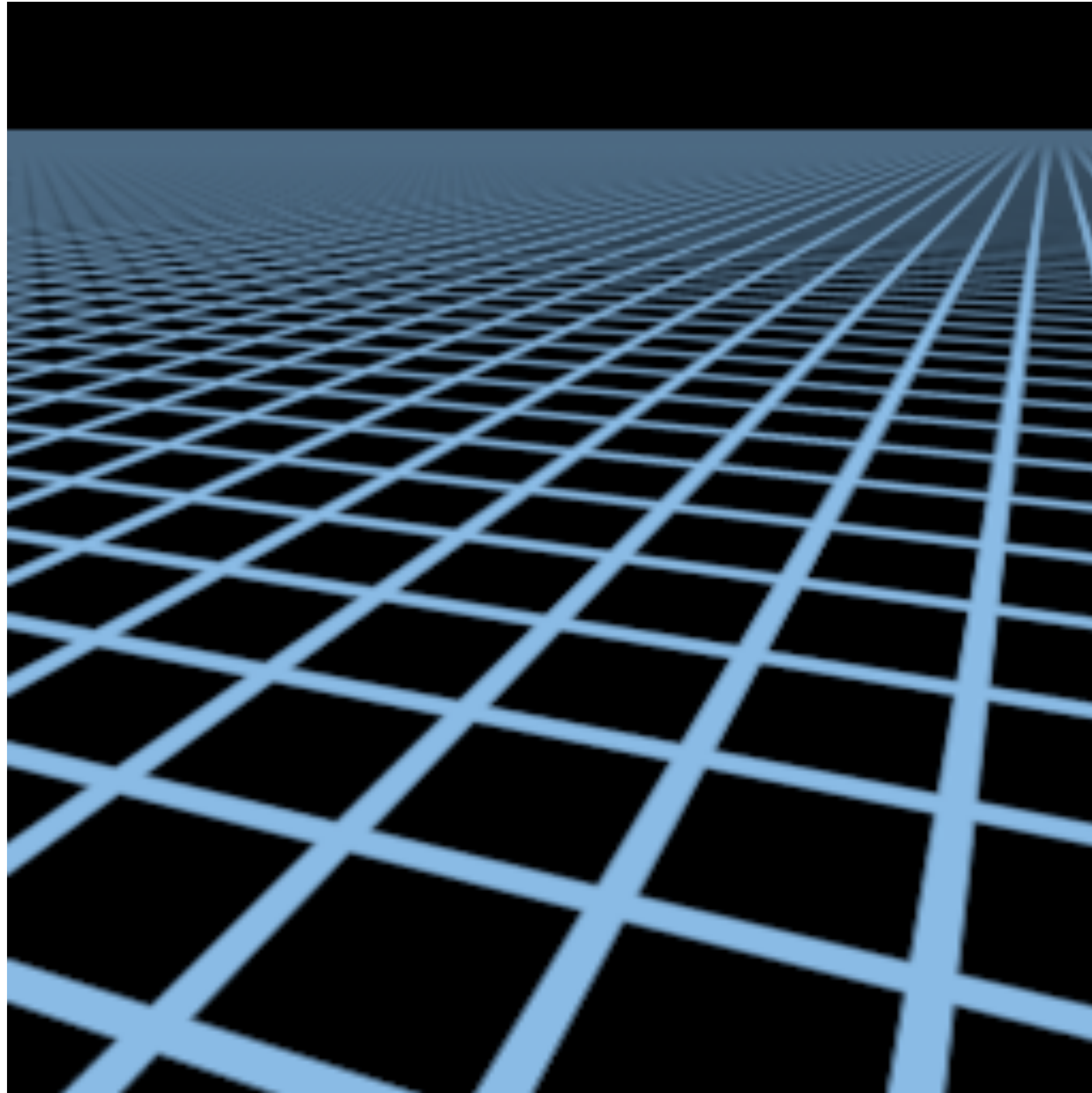
# Mipmap Limitations

Overblur  
Why?



Mipmap trilinear sampling

# Anisotropic Filtering



Elliptical weighted average (EWA) filtering

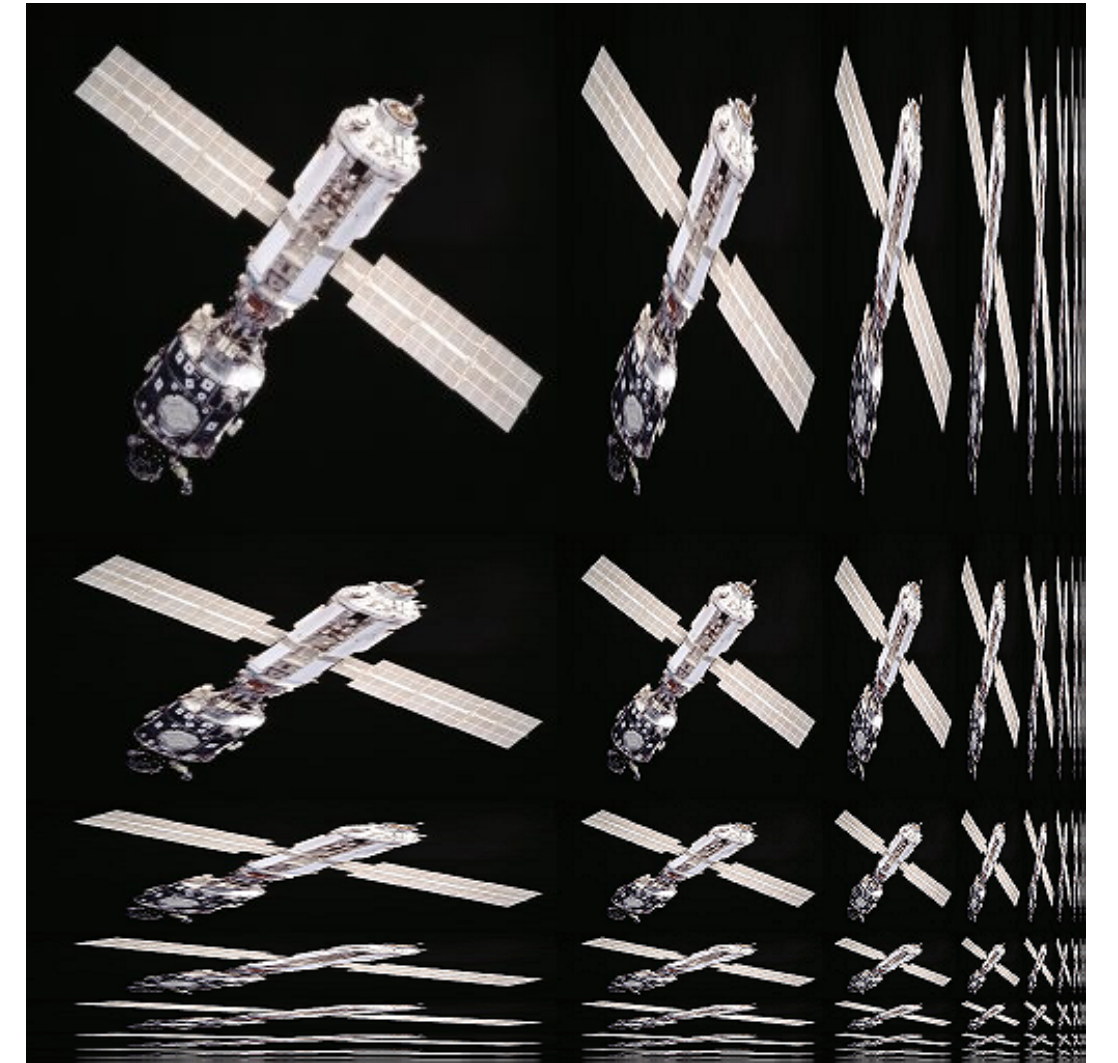
# Anisotropic Filtering

## Ripmaps and summed area tables

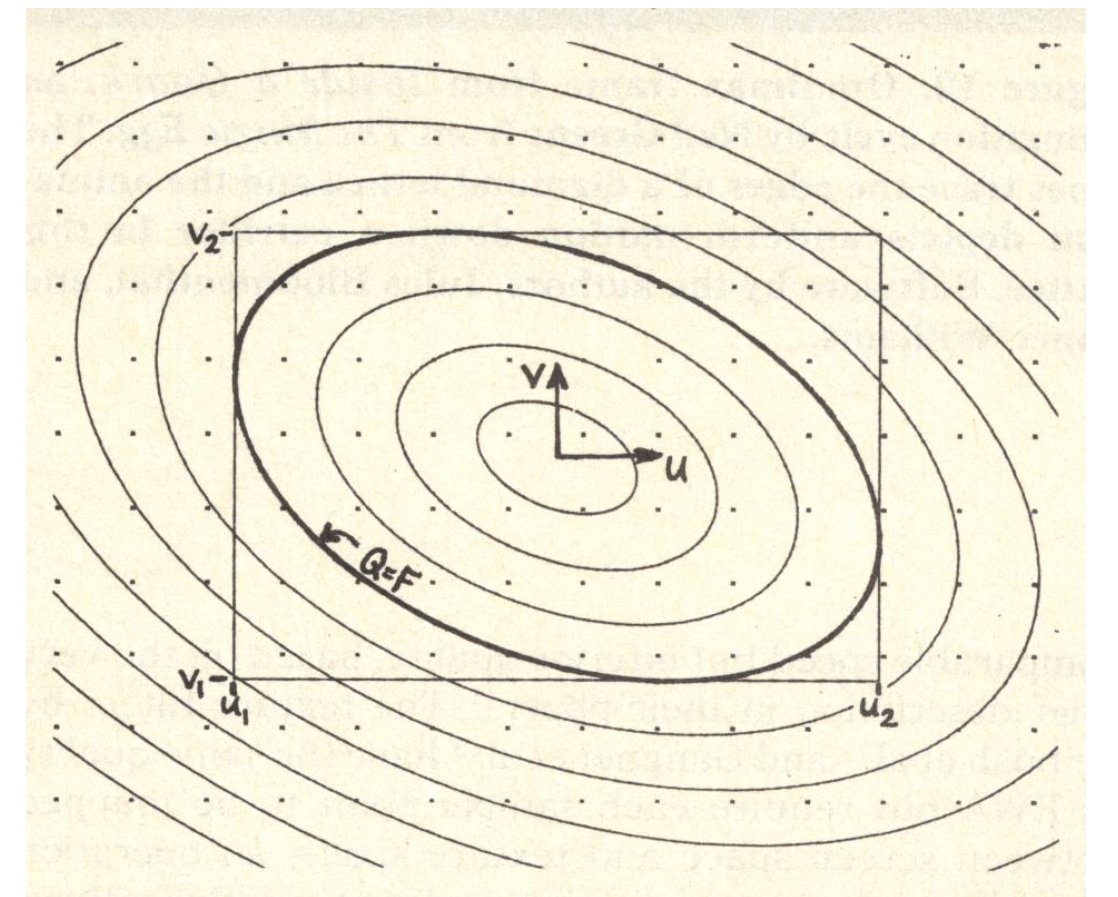
- Can look up axis-aligned rectangular zones
- Diagonal footprints still a problem

## EWA filtering

- Use multiple lookups
- Weighted average
- Mipmap hierarchy still helps



Wikipedia



Greene & Heckbert '86

# **Advanced Texturing Methods**

# Many, Many Uses for Texturing

In modern GPUs, texture = memory + filtering

- General method to bring data to fragment calculations

Many applications

- Environment lighting
- Store microgeometry
- Procedural textures
- Solid modeling
- Volume rendering
- ...

# Environment Map

A function from the sphere to colors,  
stored as a texture.



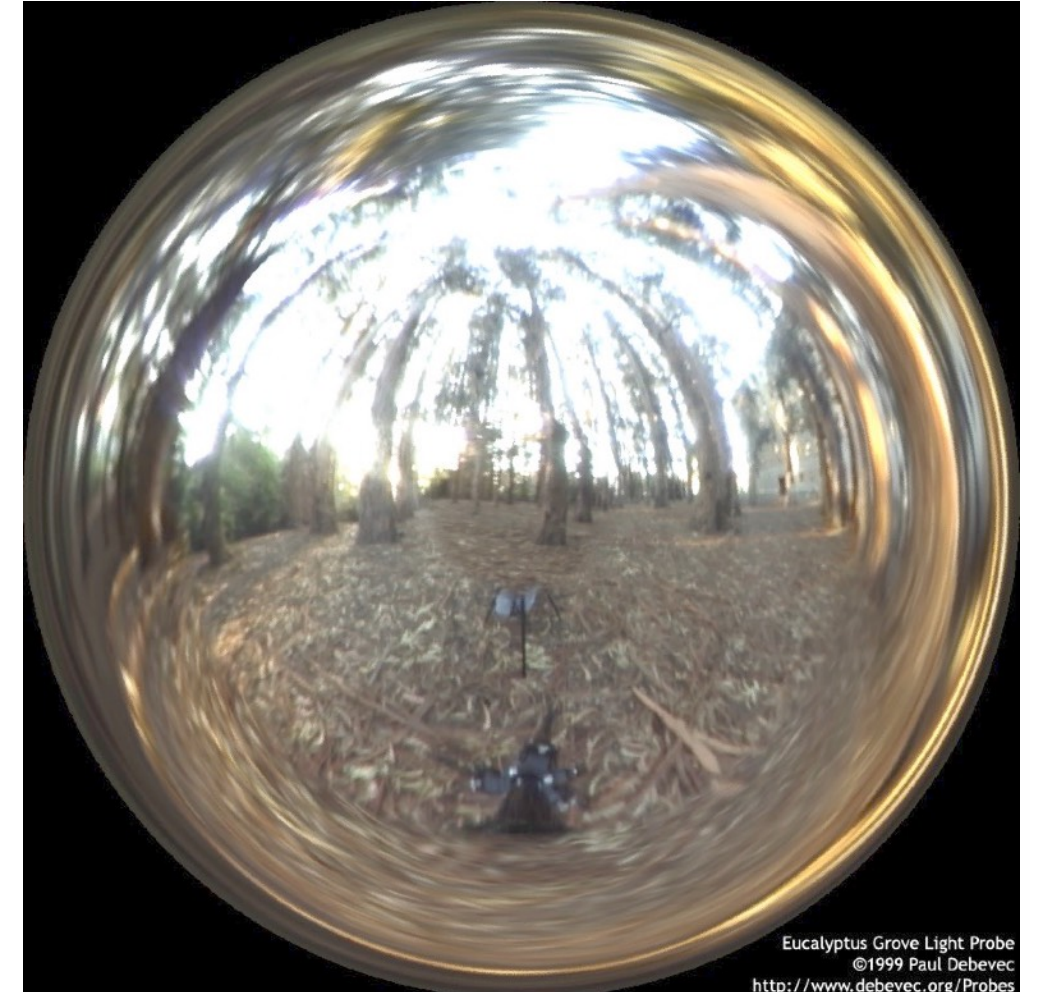
Lat / long texture map



Reflection vector indexes into texture map

[Blinn & Newell 1976]

# Spherical Environment Map

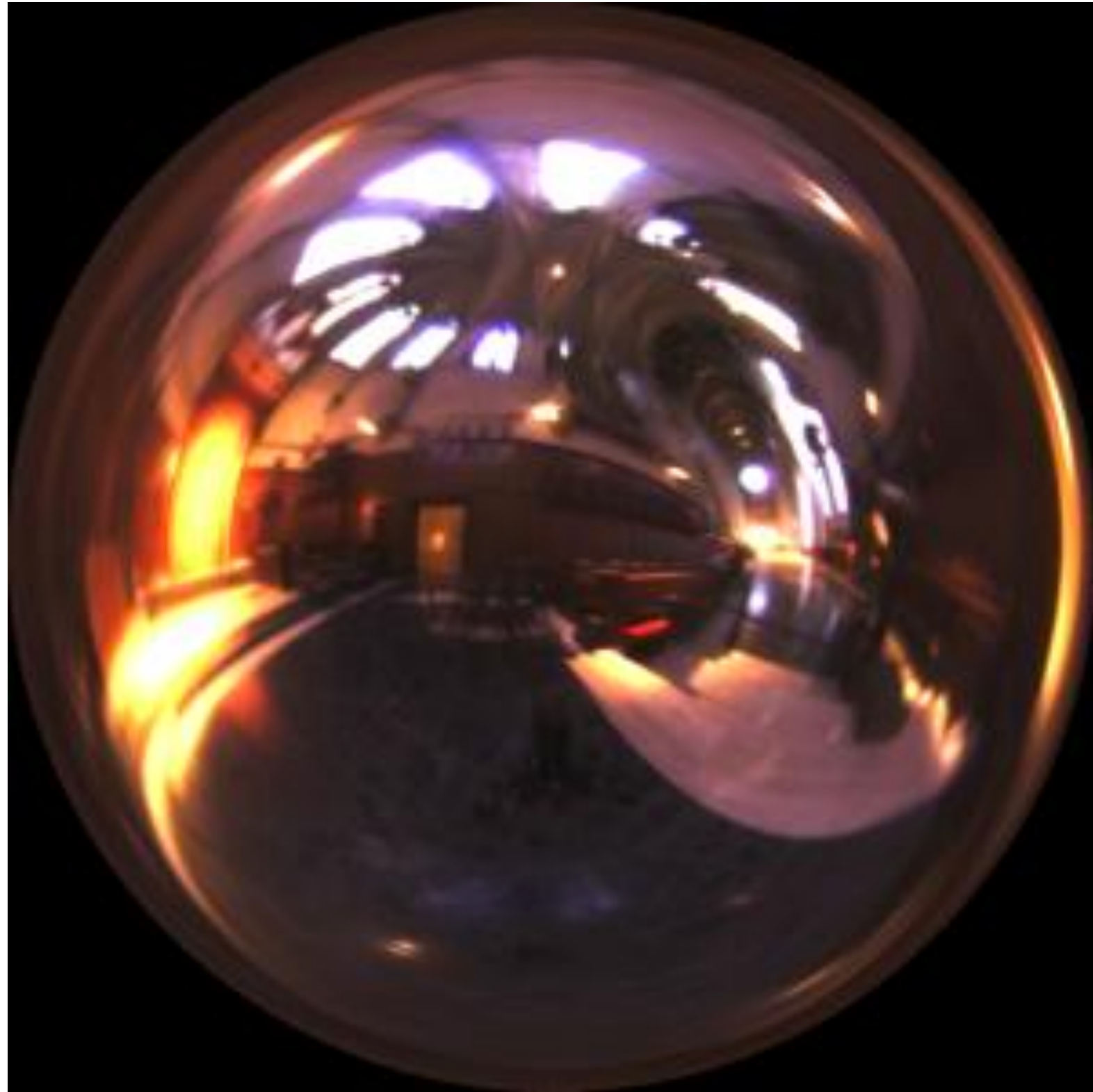


*Hand with Reflecting Sphere.* M. C. Escher, 1935. lithograph

*Light Probes,* Paul Debevec

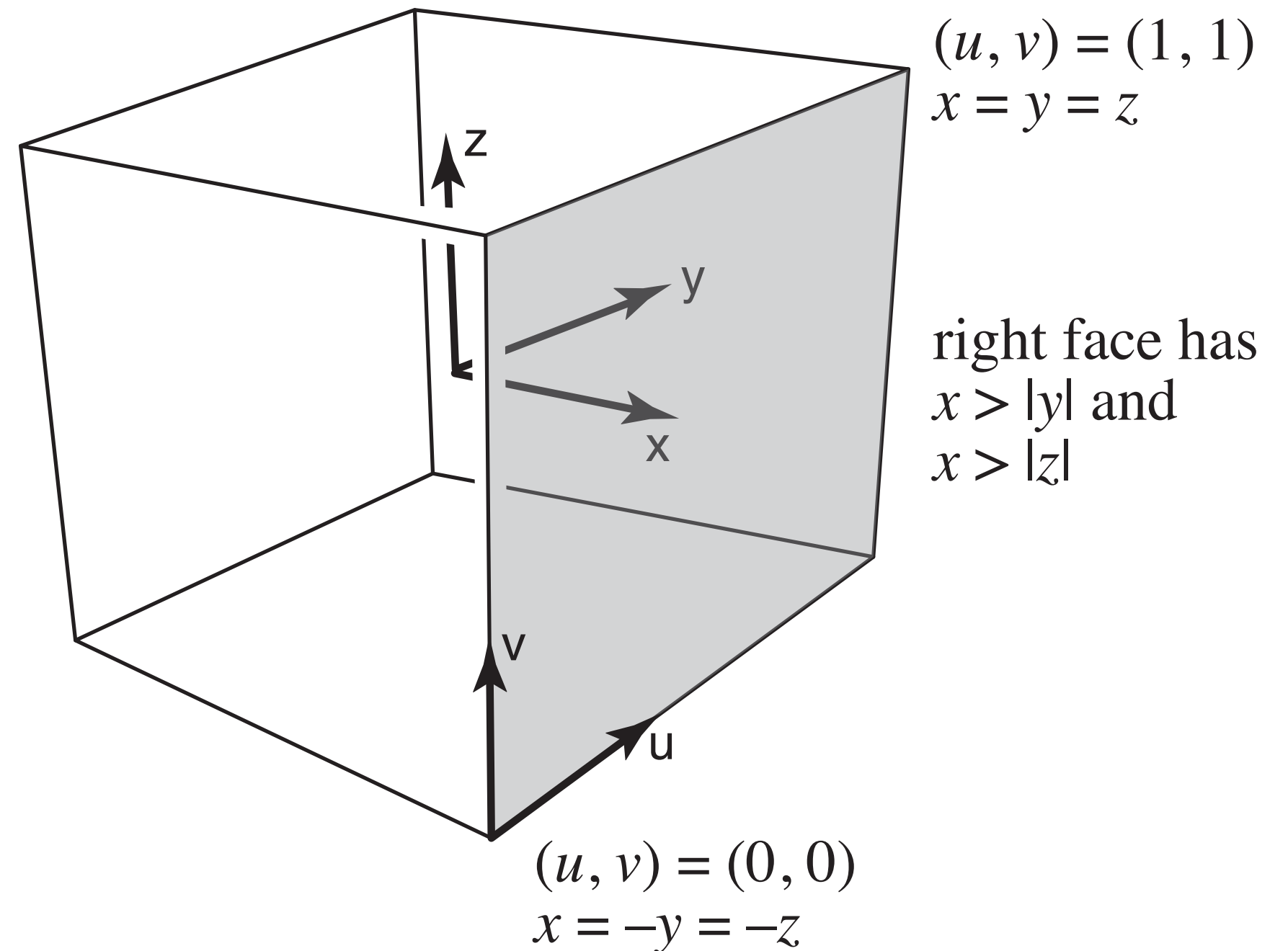
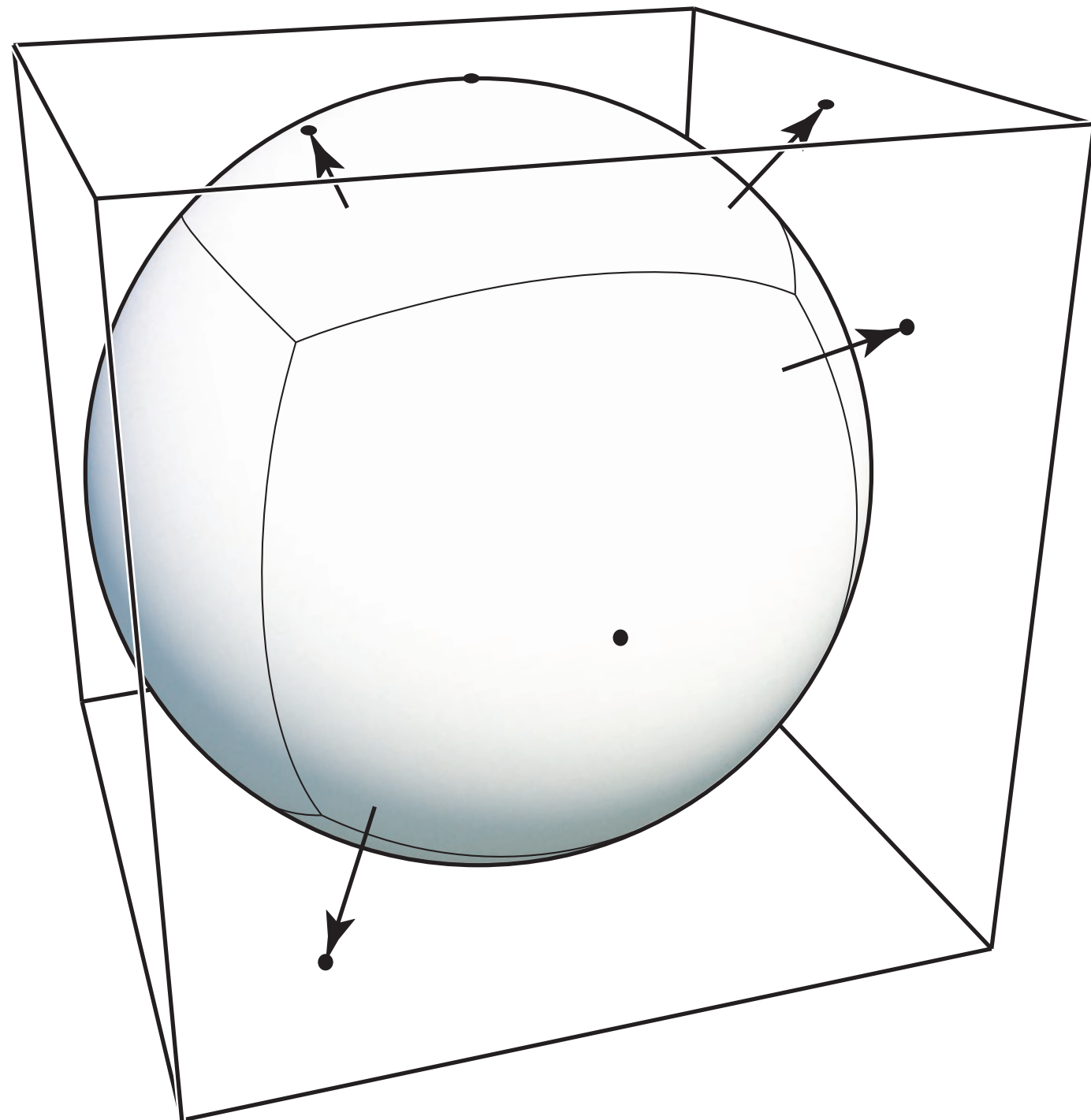


# Environmental Lighting



Environment map (left) used to render realistic lighting

# Cube Map



**A vector maps to cube point along that direction.  
The cube is textured with 6 square texture maps.**



[Emil Persson]

# Displacement Mapping

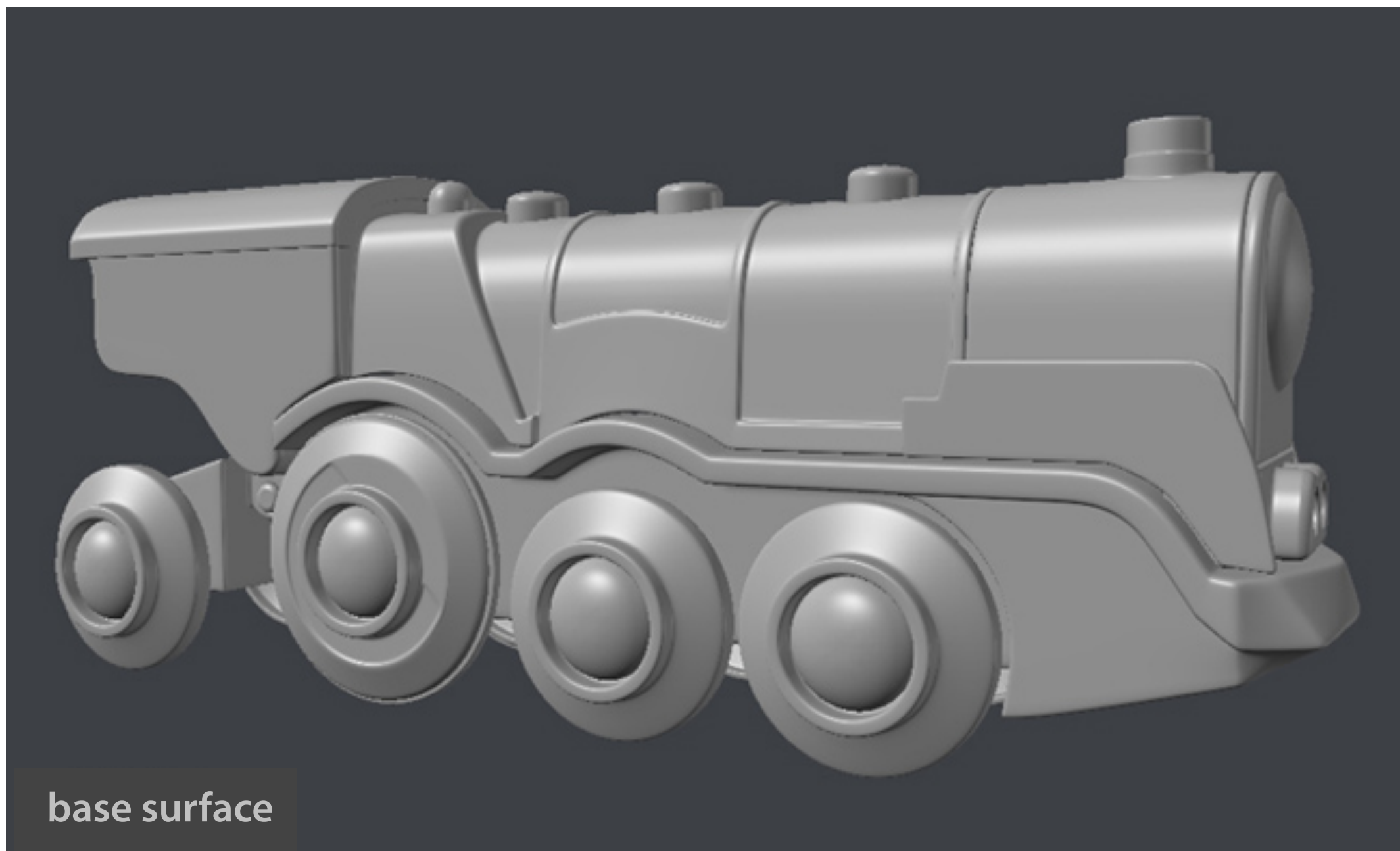
Texture stores perturbation to surface position



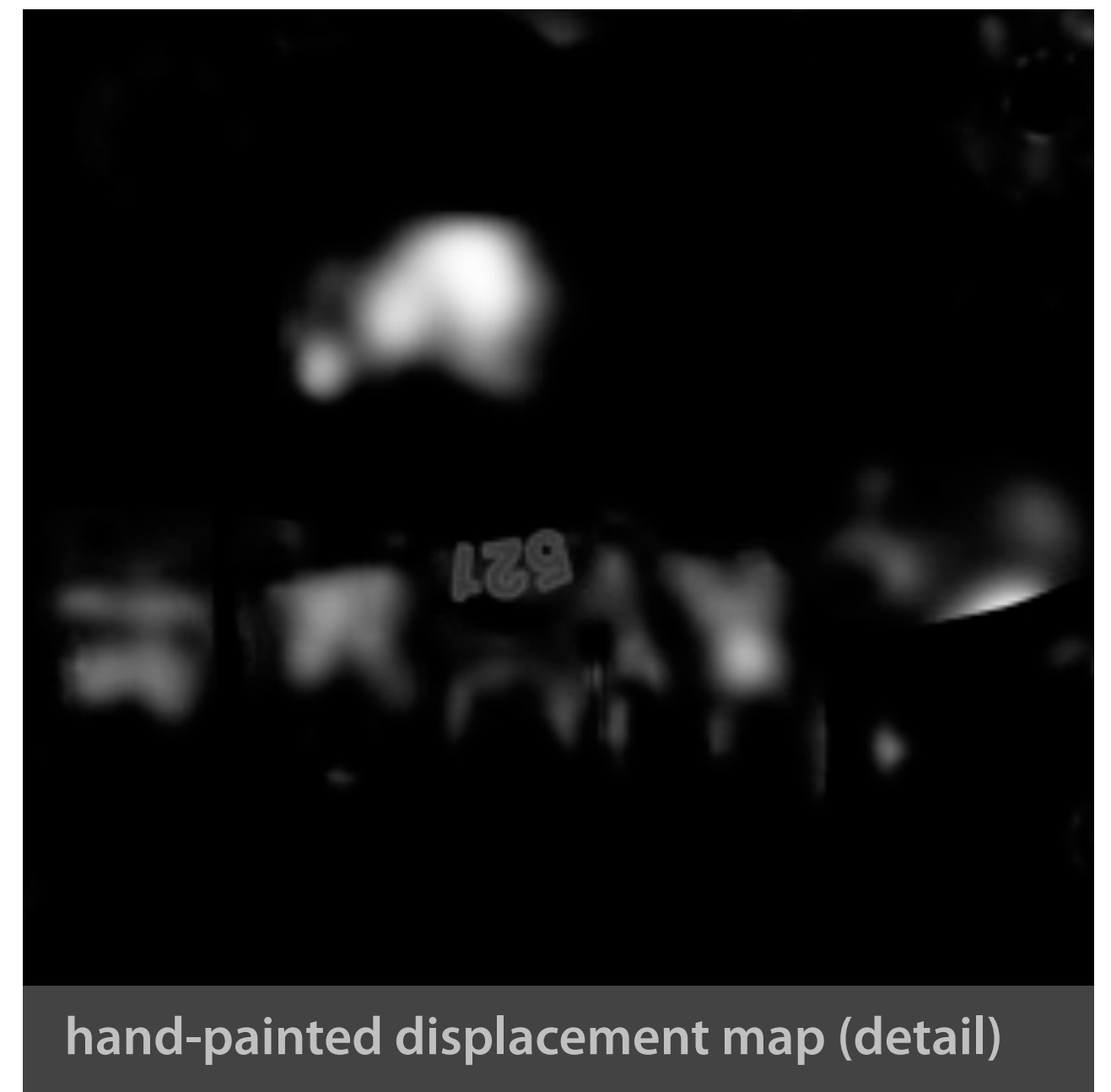
fryrender

physically-based render engine

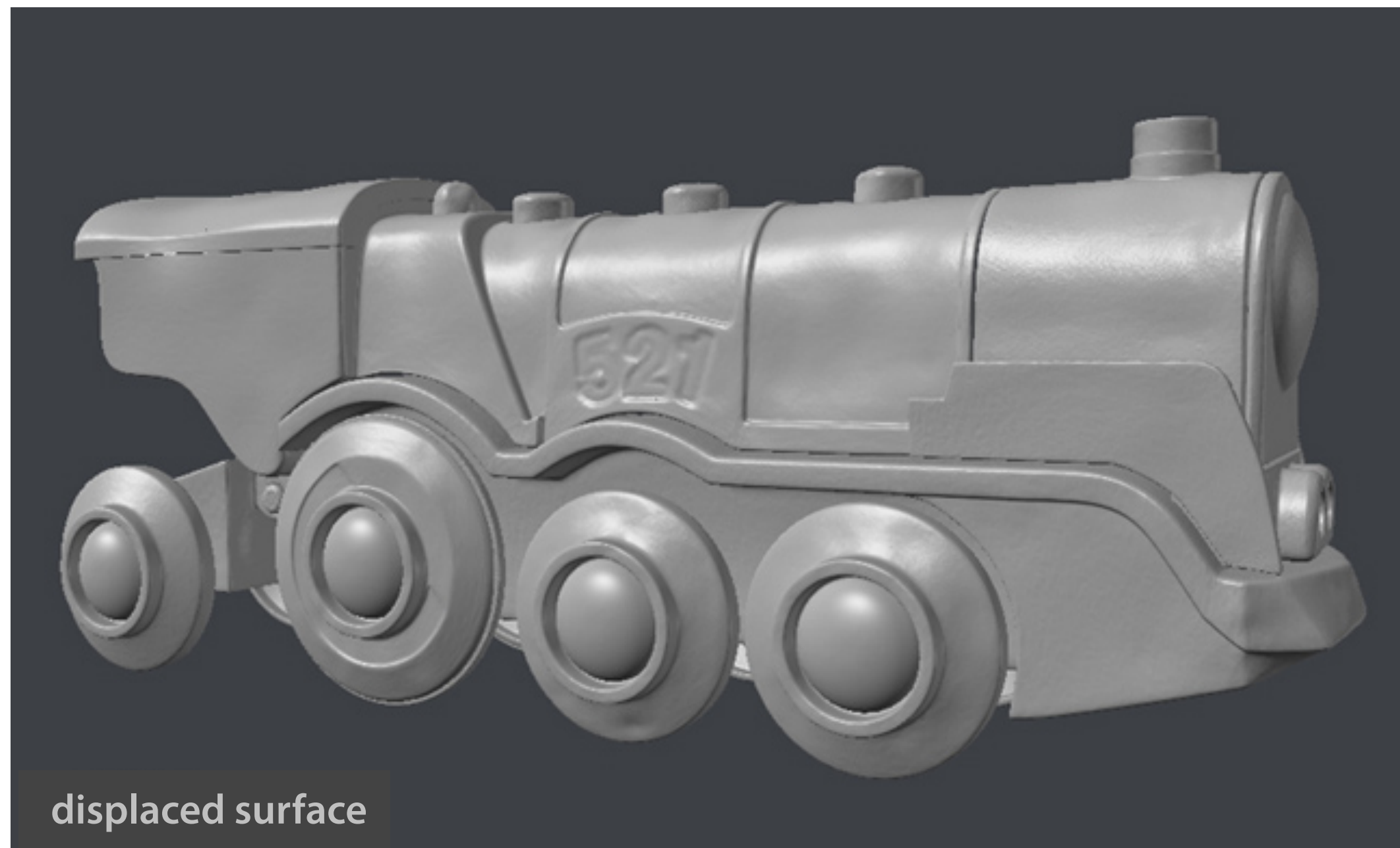
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base surface

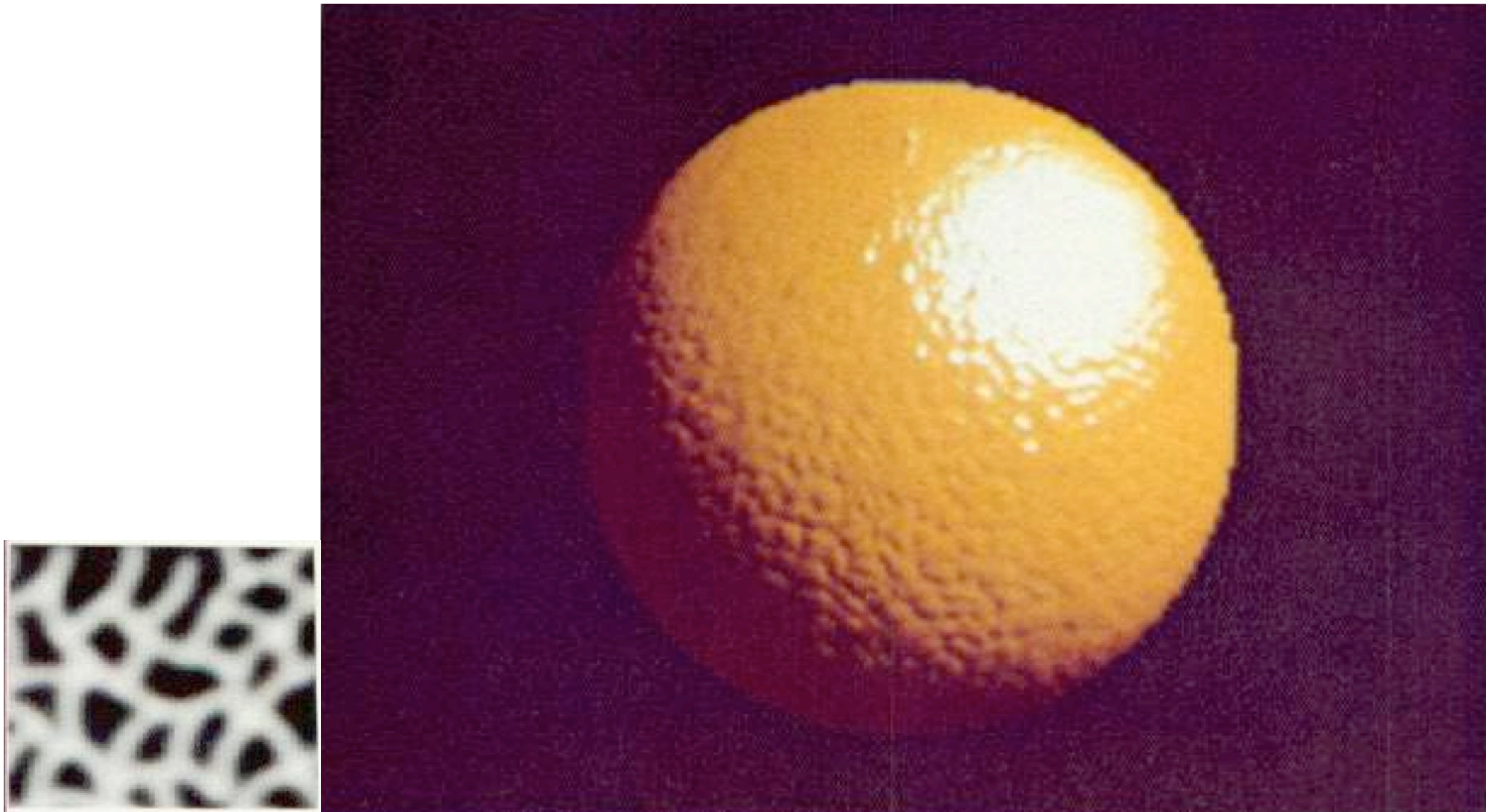


hand-painted displacement map (detail)



displaced surface

# Bump Mapping

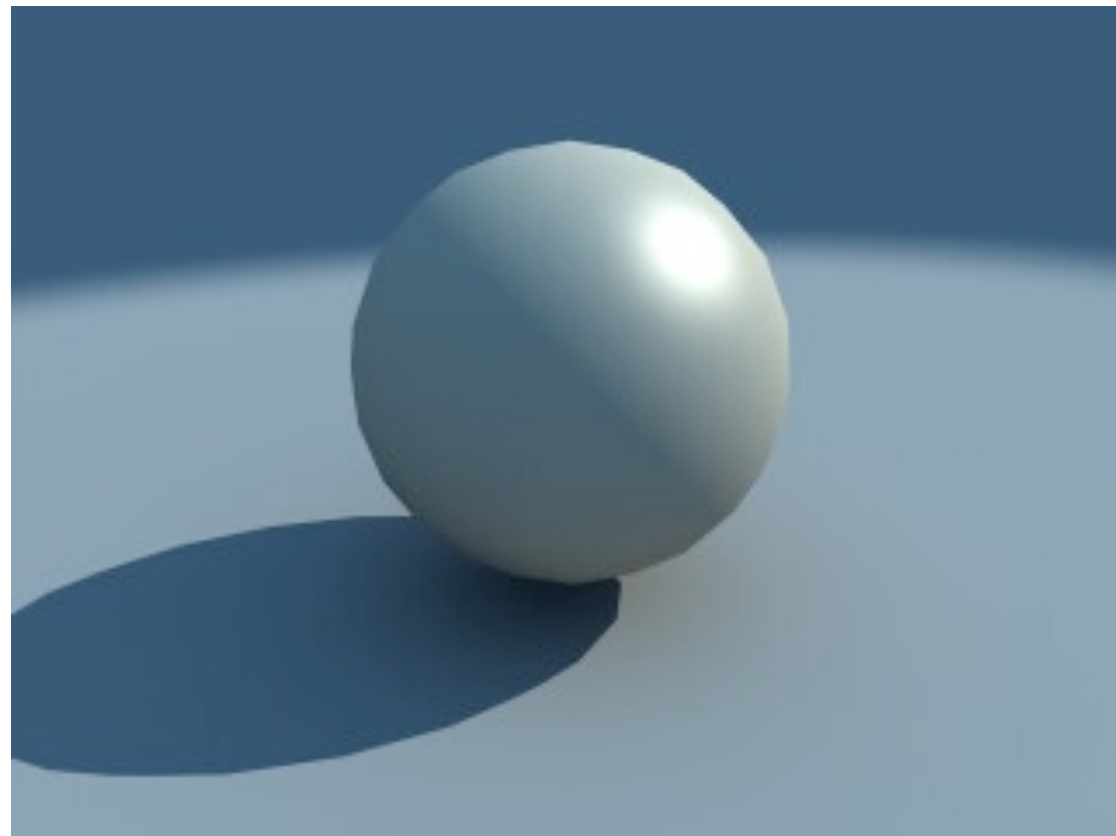


[Blinn 1978]

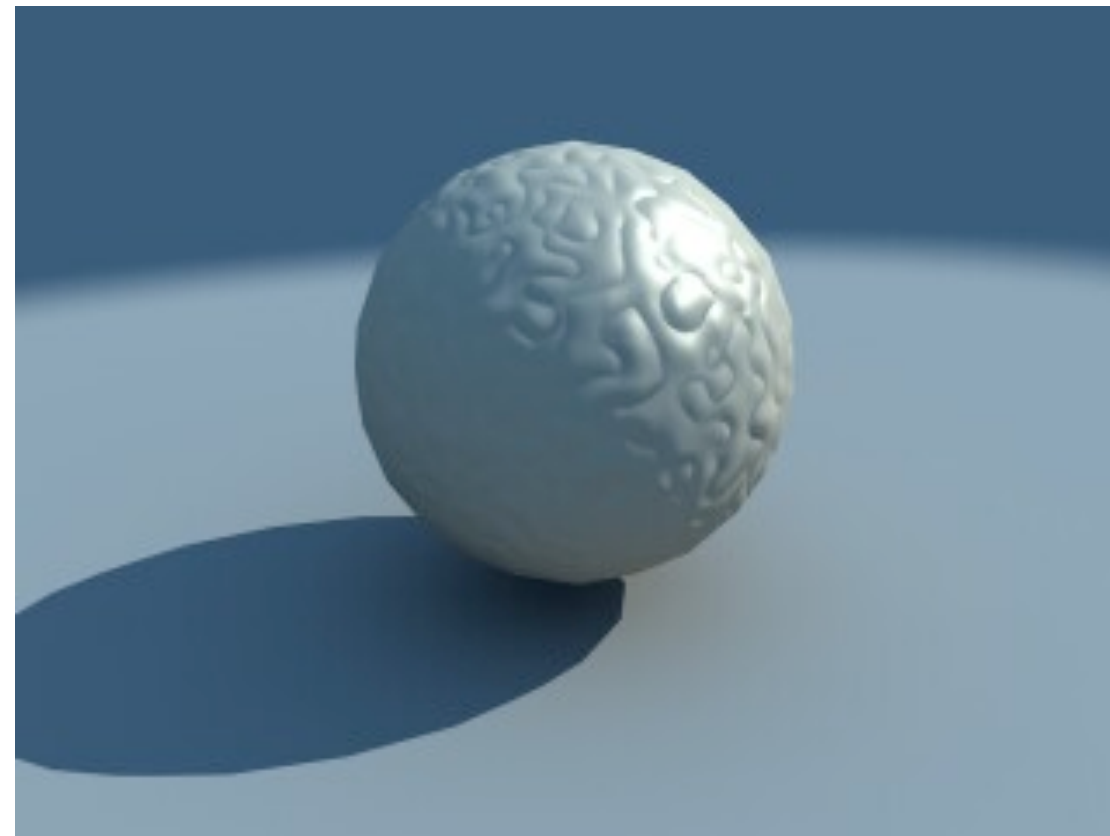
Texture stores perturbation to surface normal

# Bump Mapping

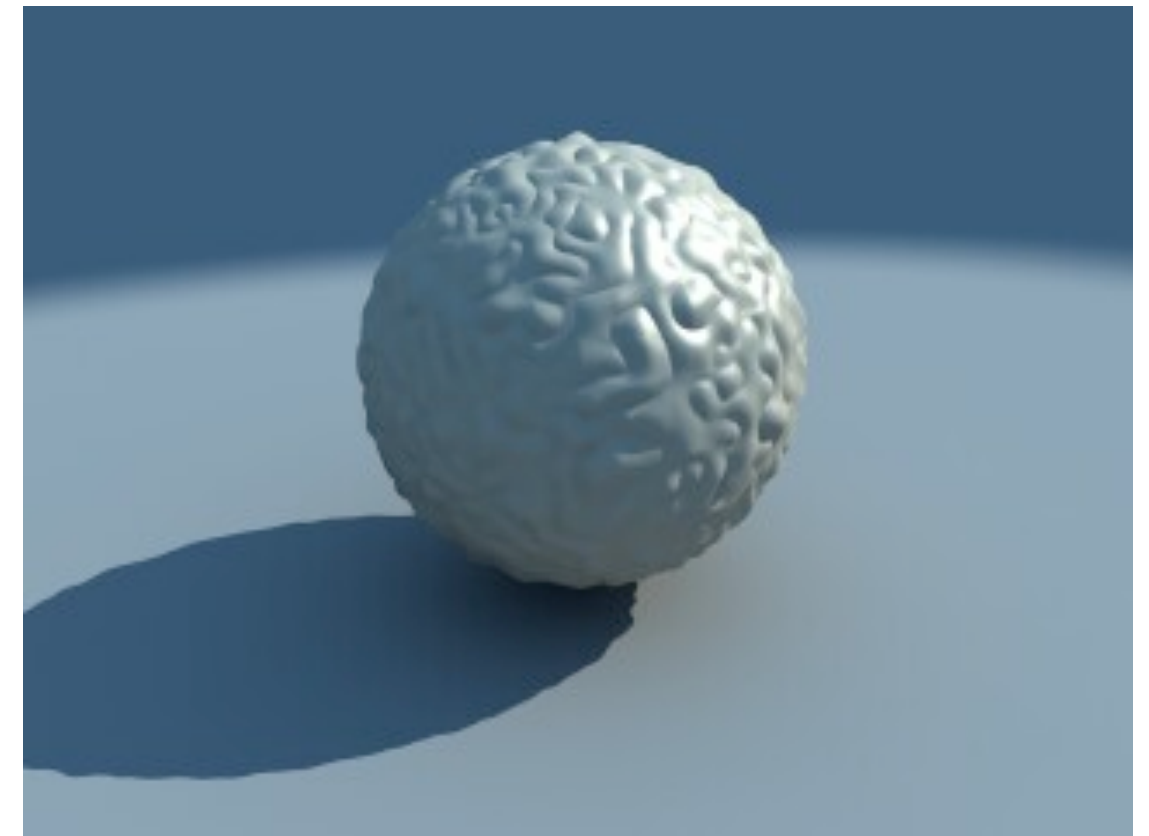
What is missing?



**Geometry**

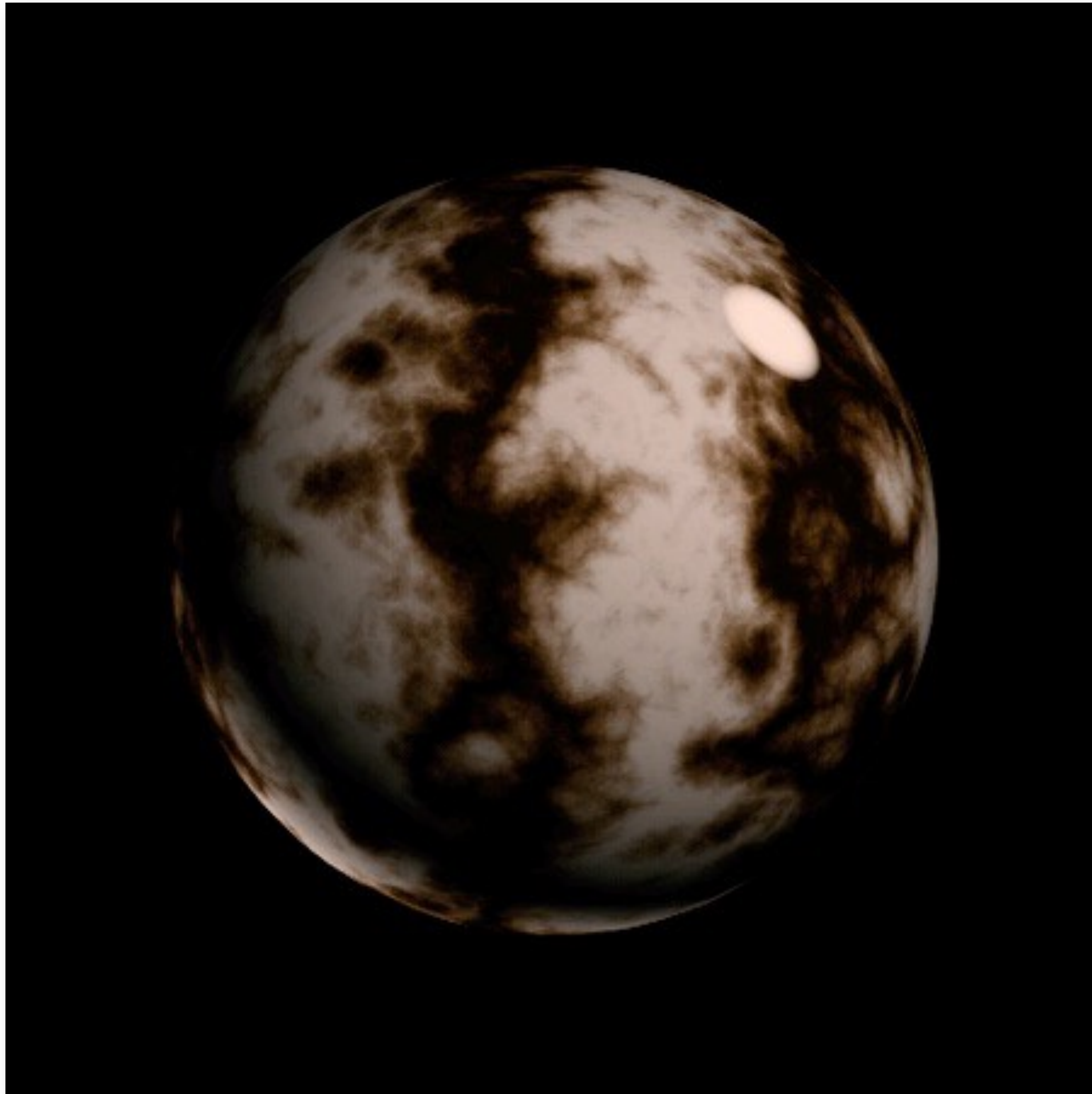


**Bump mapping**  
**Perturbs normals**



**Displacement mapping**  
**Perturbs positions**

# 3D Procedural Noise + Solid Modeling



Perlin noise, Ken Perlin



# Provide Precomputed Shading



**Simple shading**



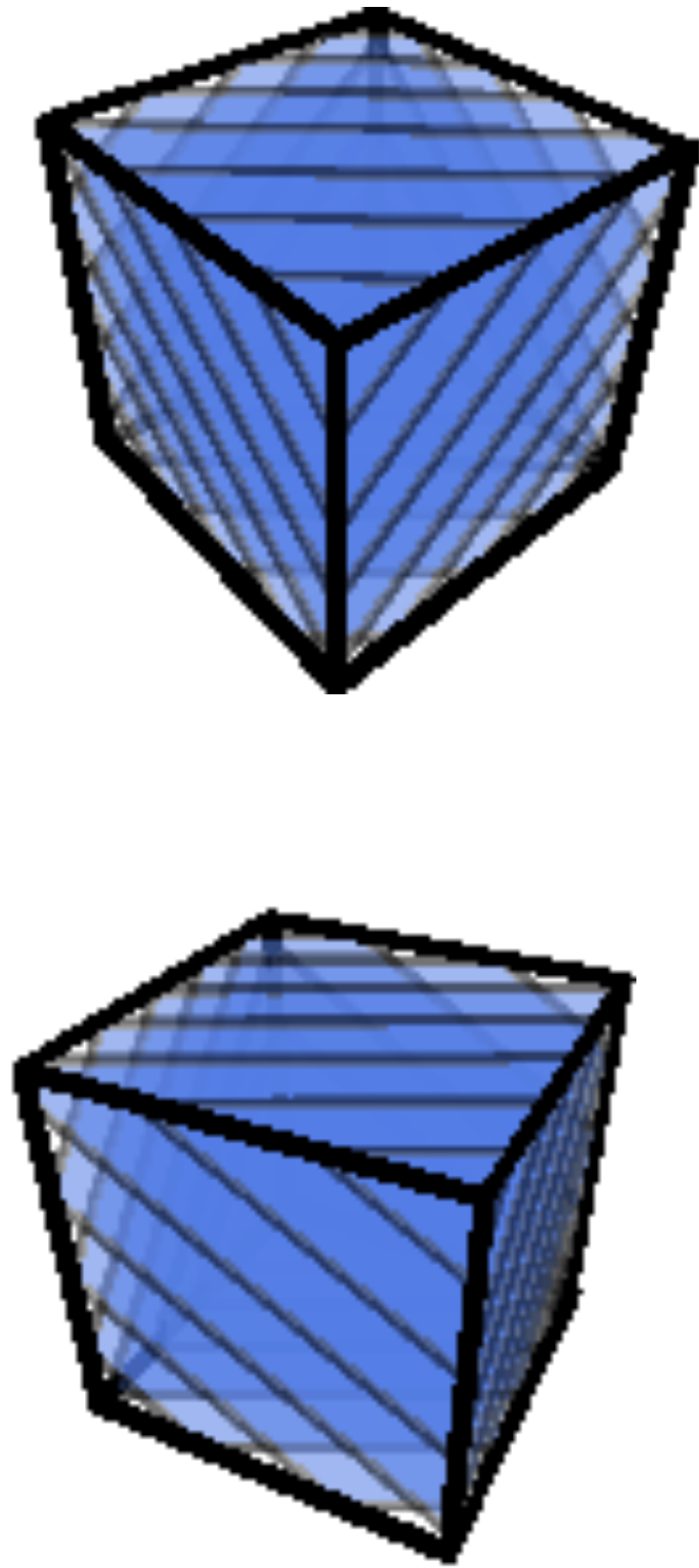
**Ambient occlusion texture map**



**With ambient occlusion**

Autodesk

# 3D Textures and Volume Rendering



Marc Levoy

# Things to Remember

## Many uses of texturing

- Bring high-resolution data to fragment calculations
- Colors, normals, lighting on sphere, volumetric data, ...

## How does texturing work?

- Texture coordinate parameterization
- Barycentric interpolation of coordinates
- Texture sampling pattern and frequency
- Mipmaps: texture filtering hierarchy, level calculation, trilinear interpolation
- Anisotropic sampling

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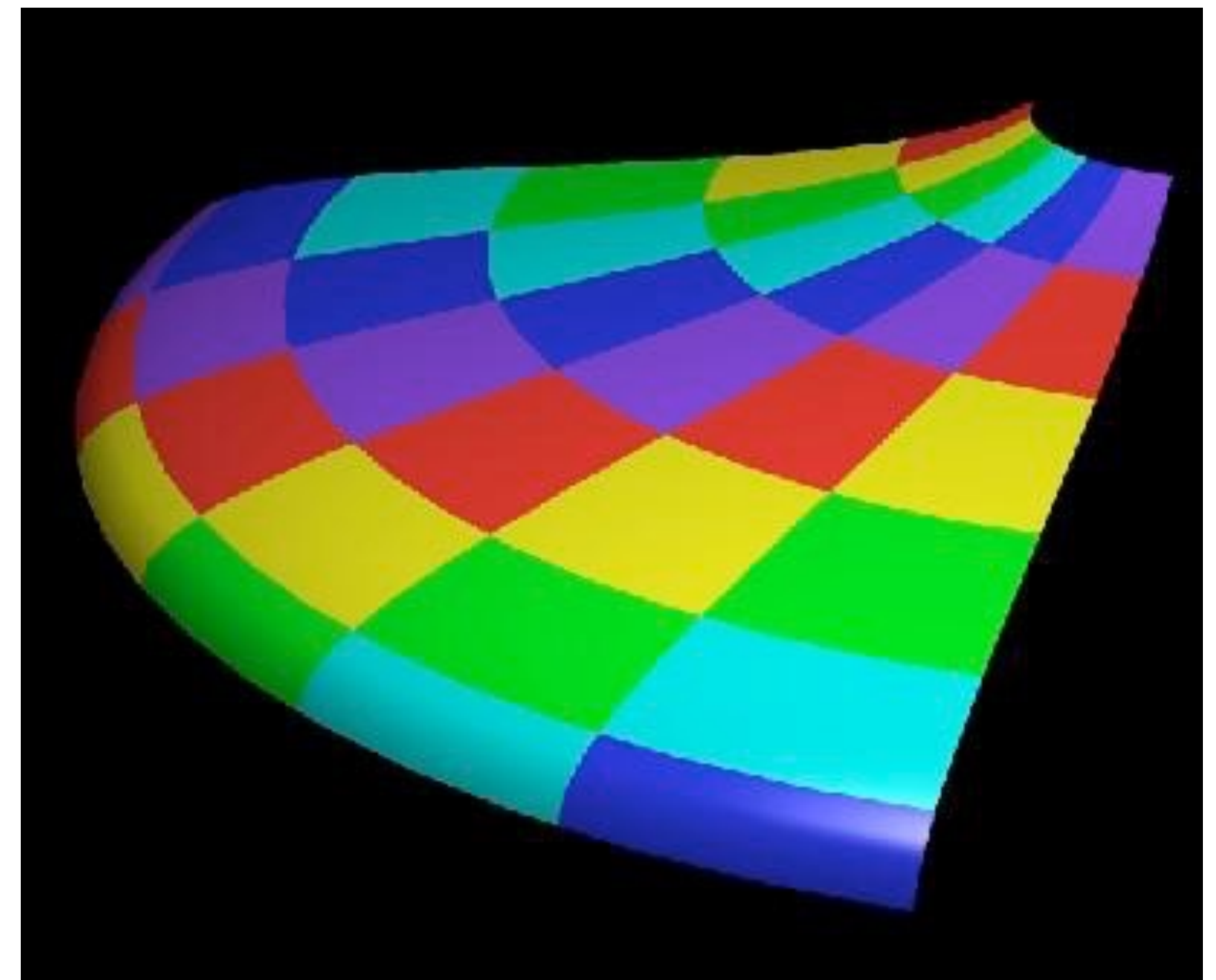
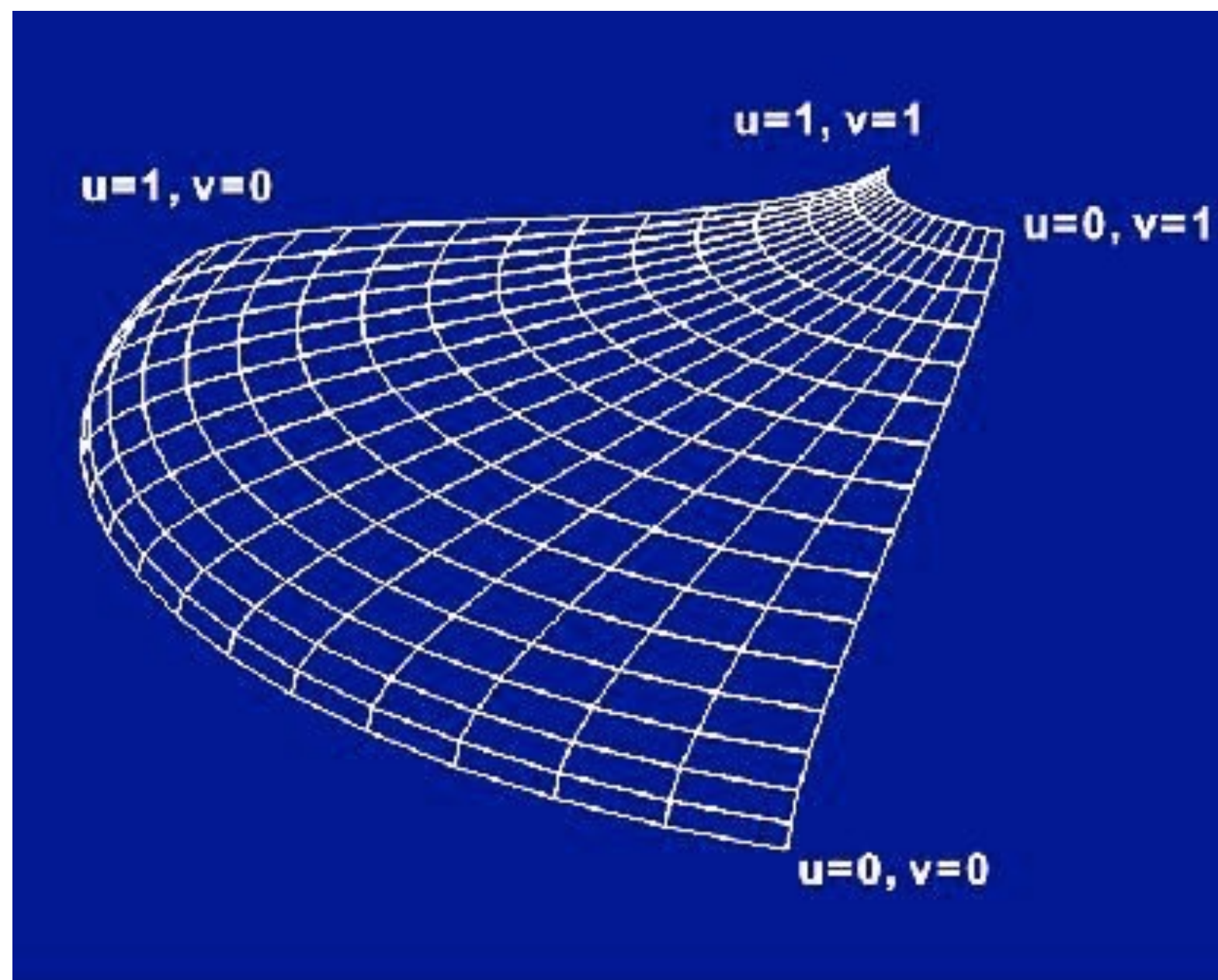
# **Bonus Slides**

# **Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions**

# Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions

A parametric surface (e.g. spline patch)

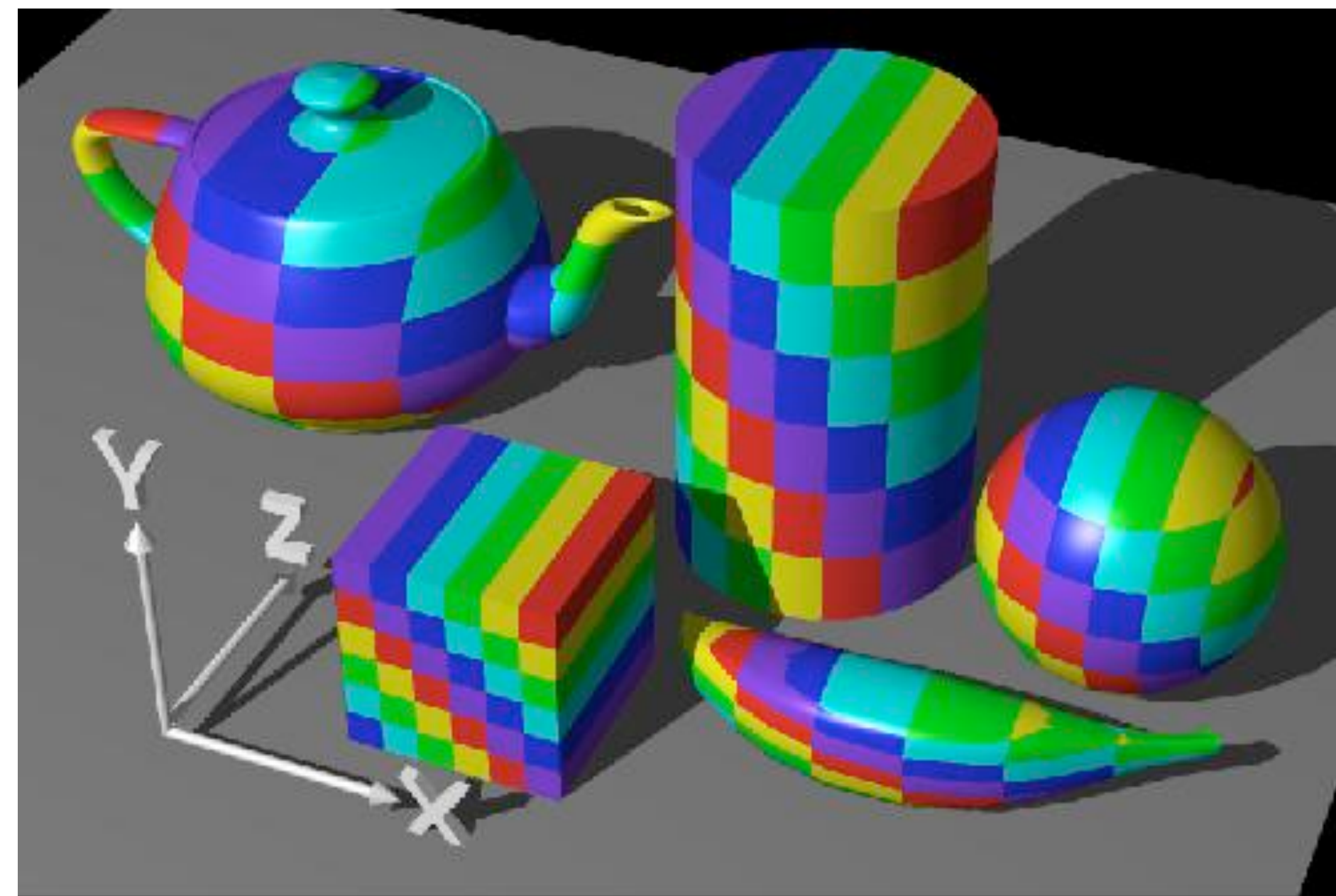
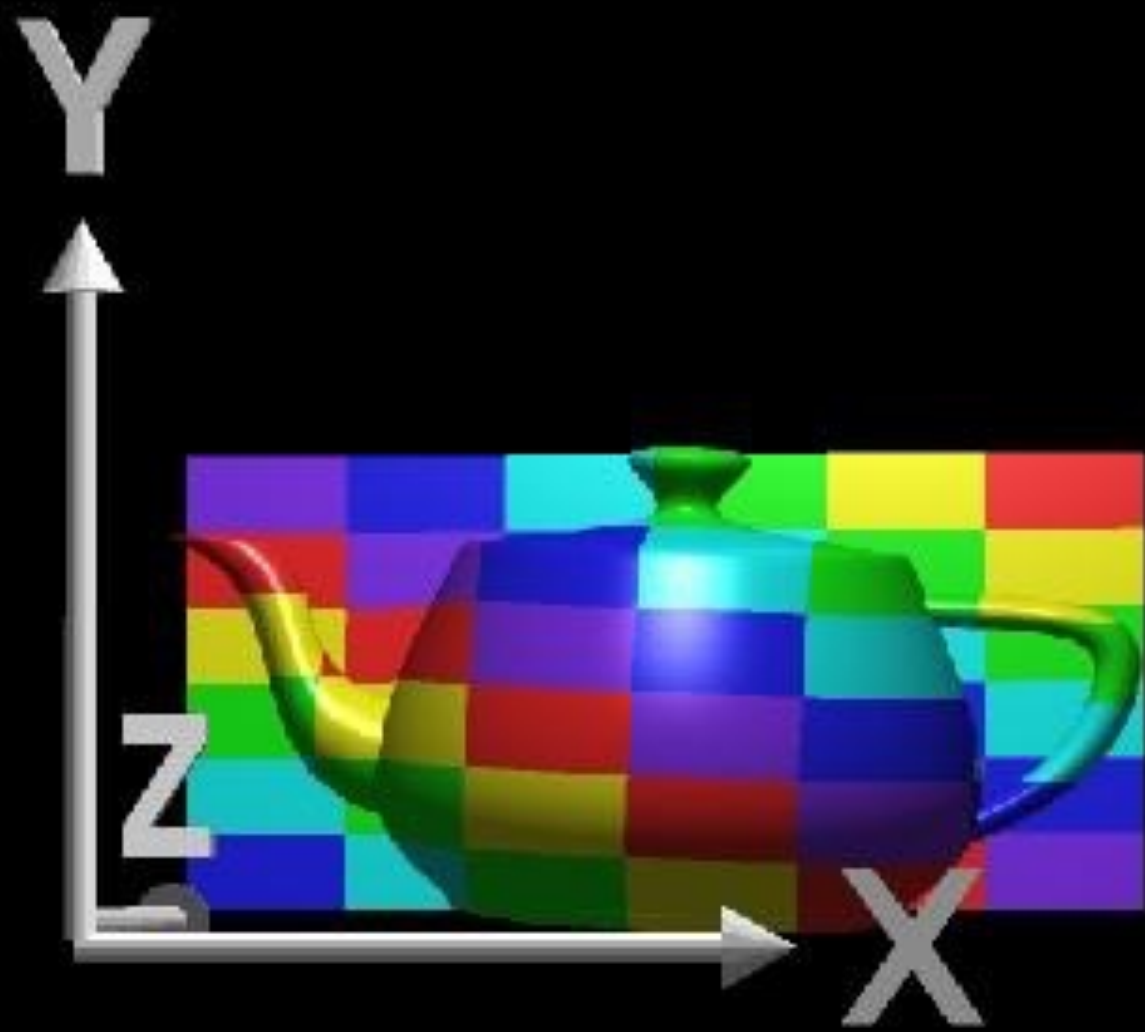
- Use parameter space coordinates as texture coordinates directly



[Wolfe / SG97 Slide set]

# Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions

## Planar projection



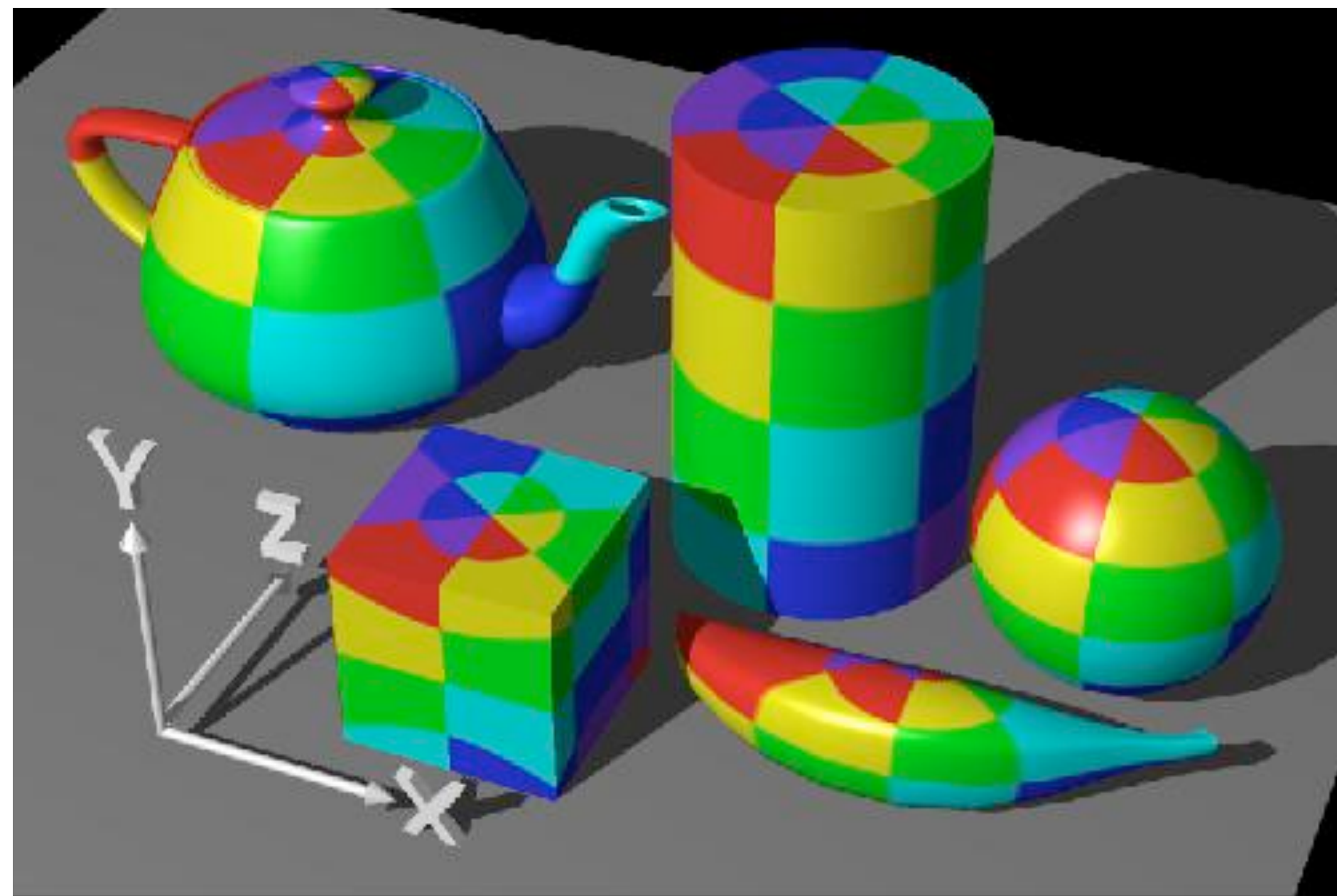
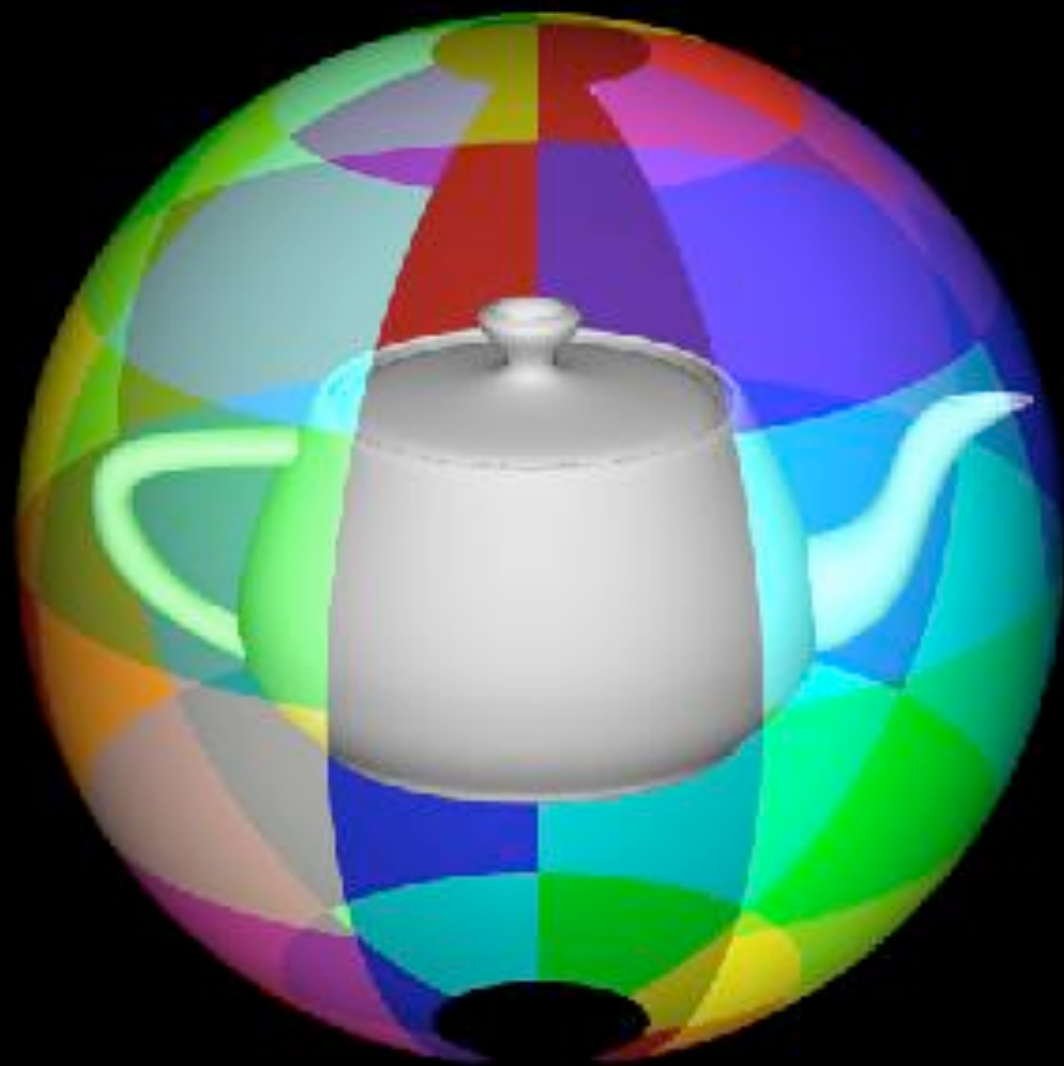
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# Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions

## Spherical projection

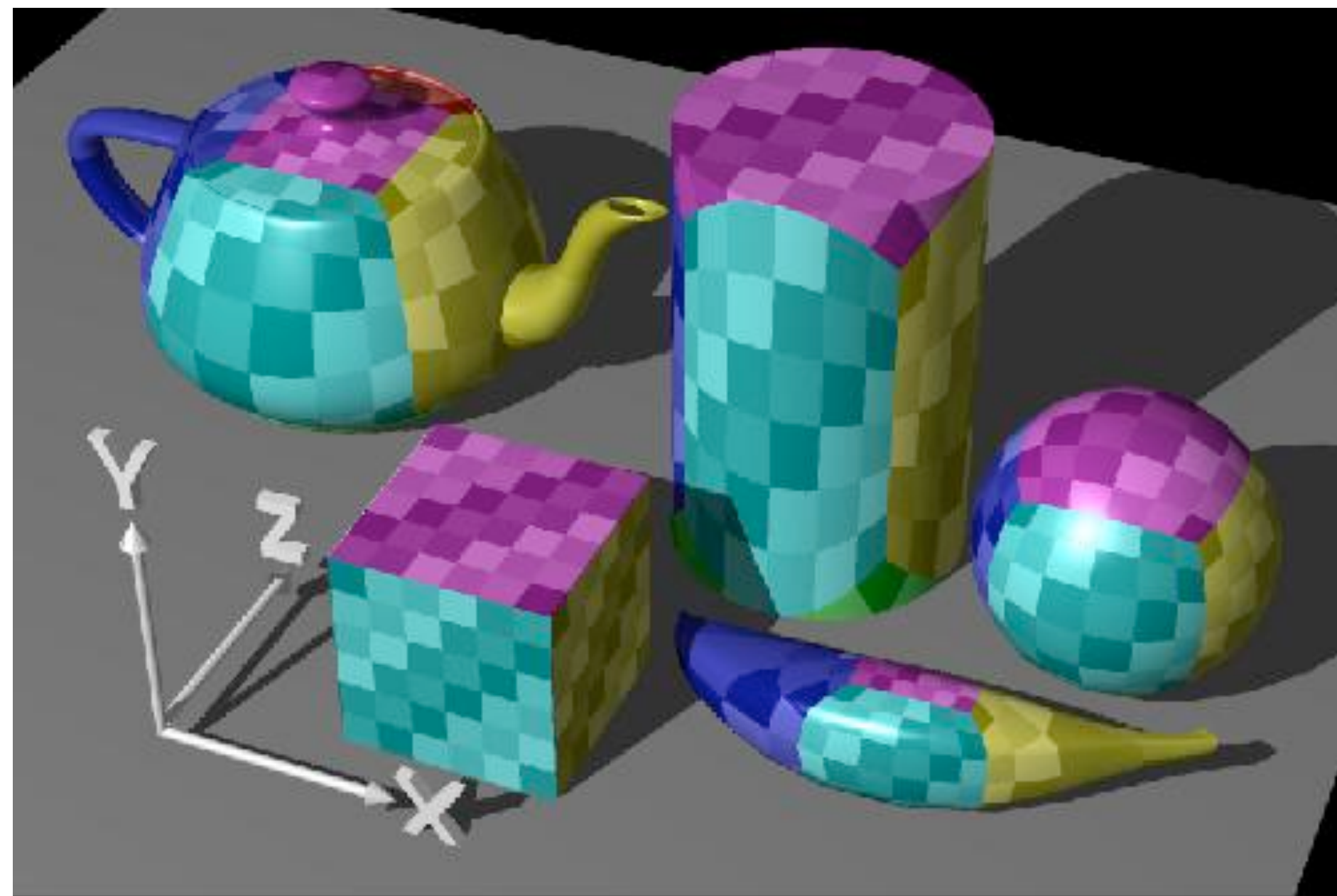
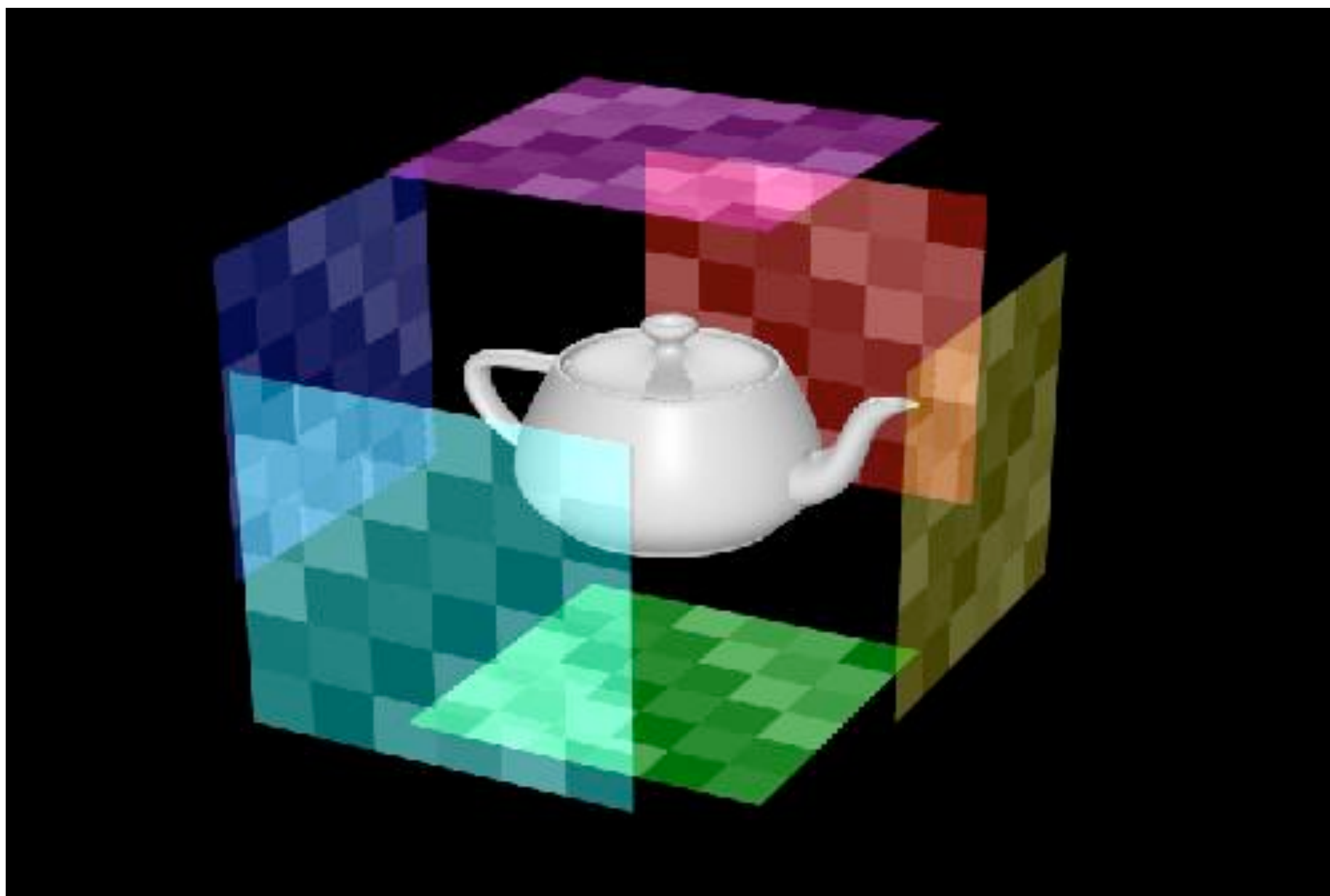


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# Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions

## Cube map projection

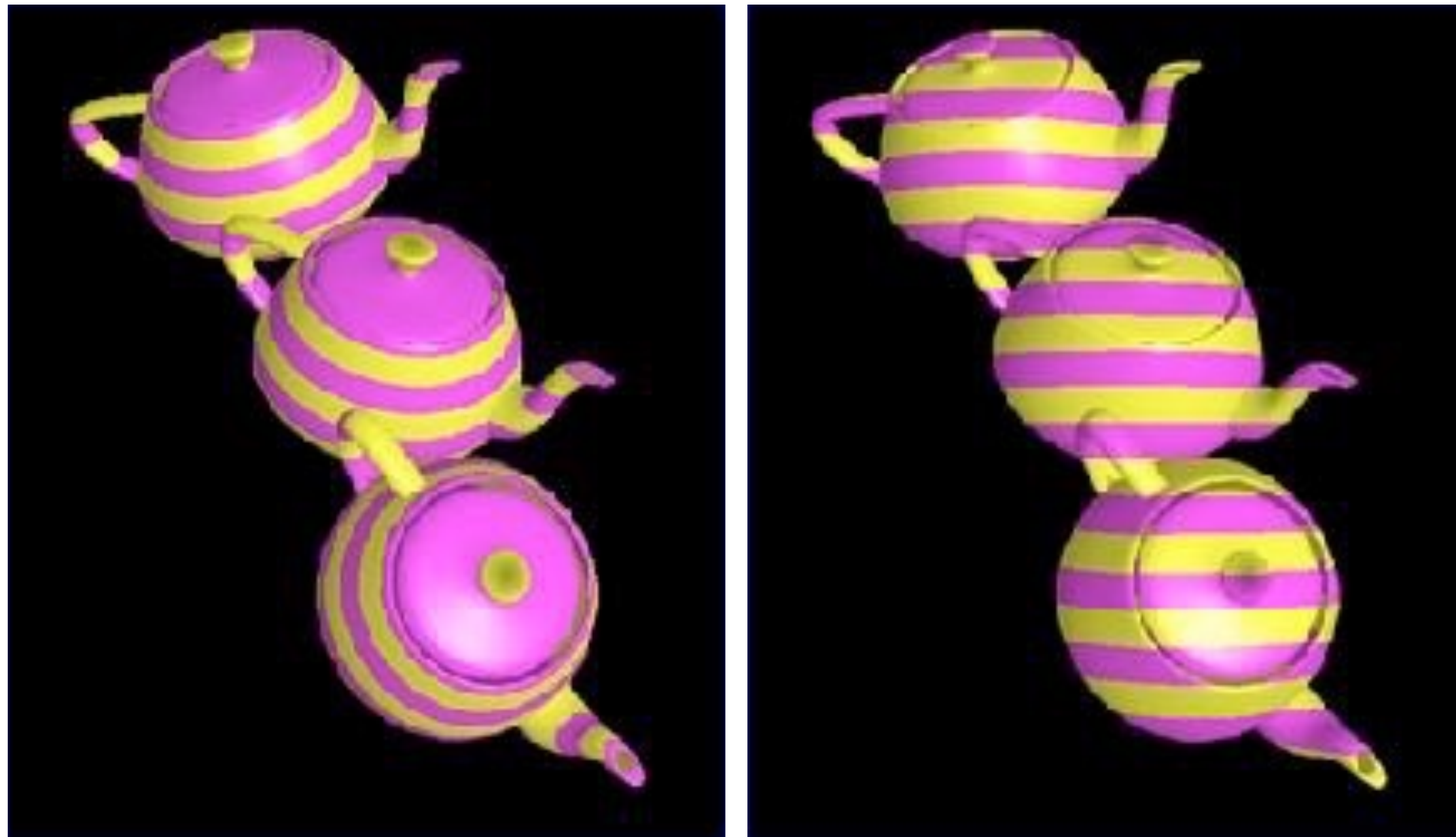


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# Examples of Texture Coordinate Functions

Function of object or world coordinates?

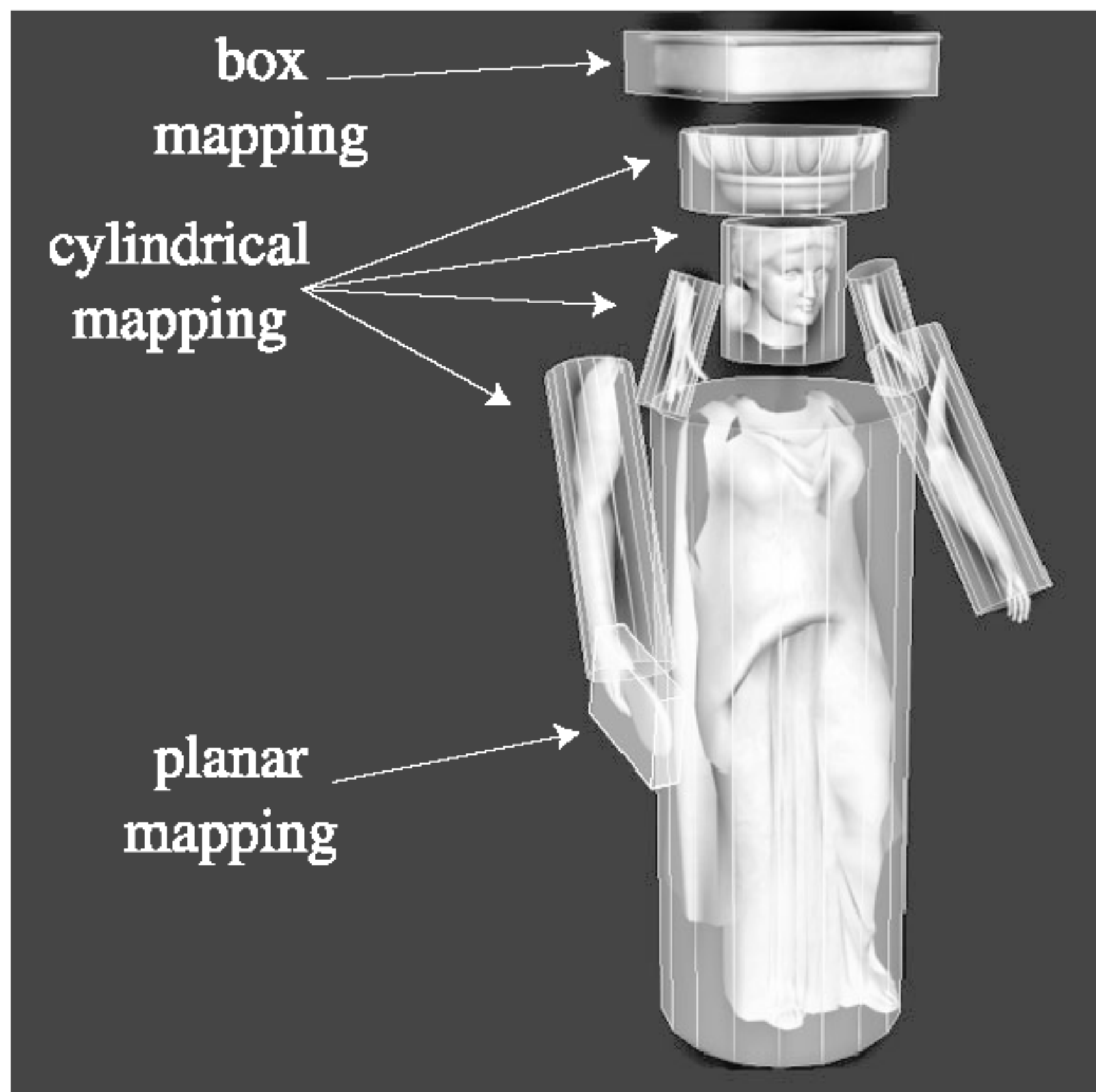


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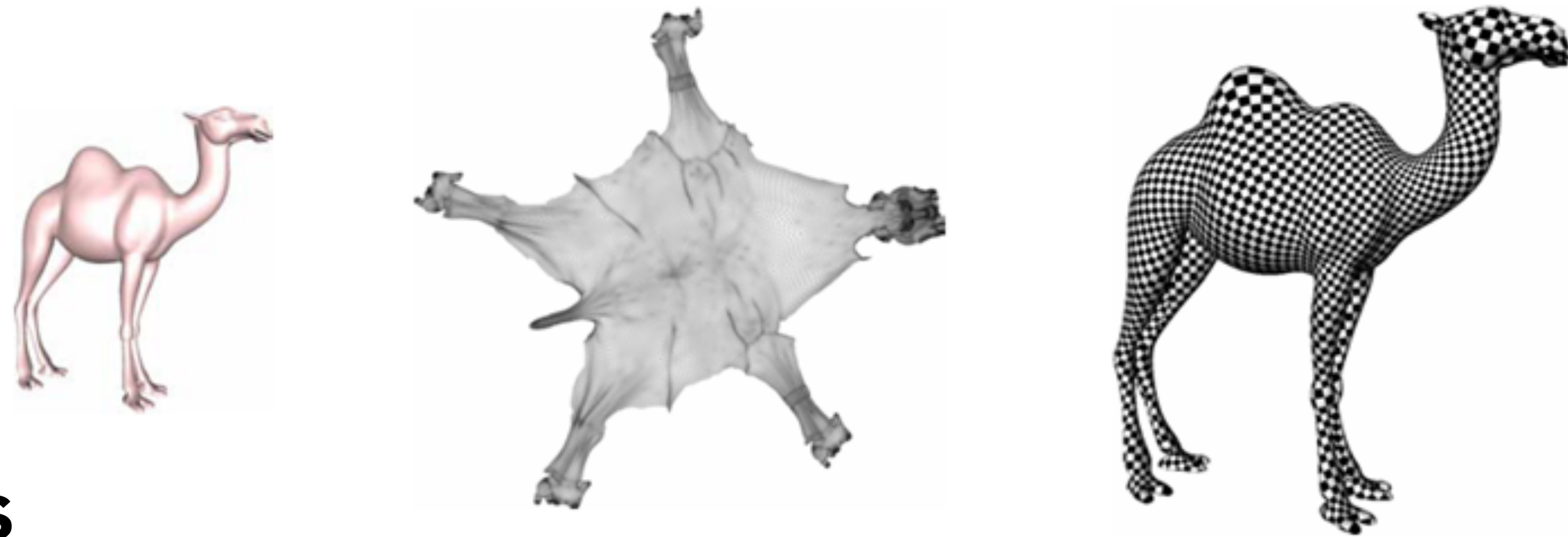
Complex surfaces: project parts to parametric surfaces



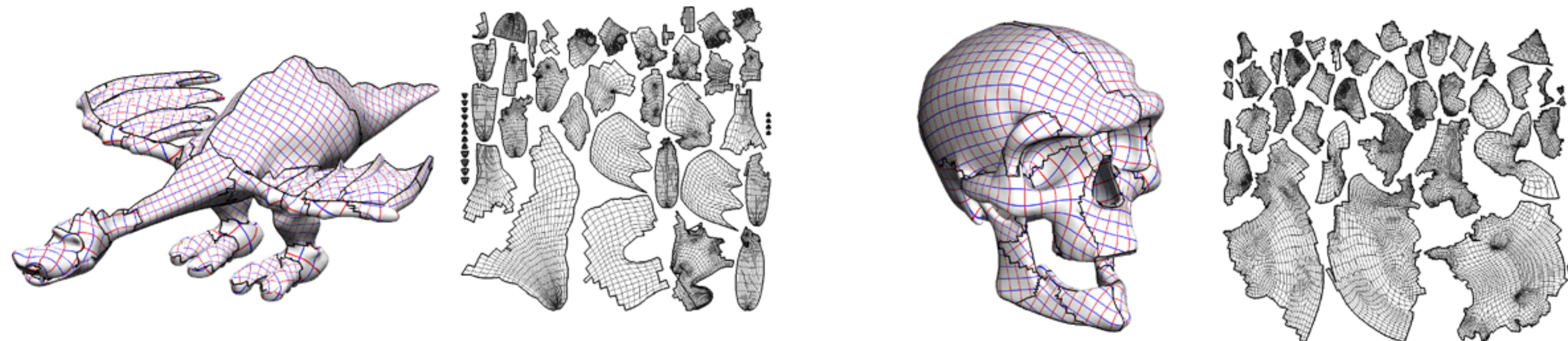
[Tito Pagan]

# Creating Good Surface Coordinates is Hard

## Finding cuts



## Texture atlases



Levy et al: Least Squares Conformal Maps  
for Automatic Texture Atlas Generation, SIGGRAPH, 2002