

CG – T10 – Textures

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introduction

textures are a way to
add detail to a surface



how?

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Images from <http://www.cgtextures.com>

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what is a texture?

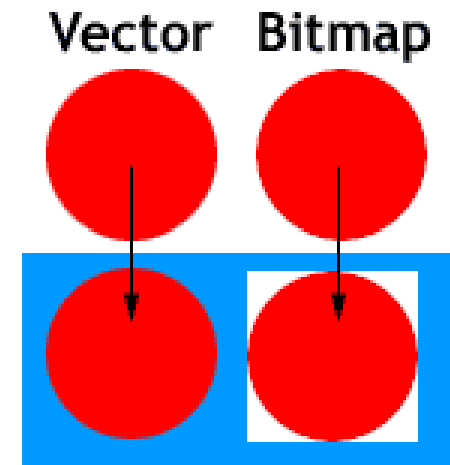
- . a bitmap image NOT vector
 - screen: 100 dpi aprox; print: 150-300dpi
 - pixels in a grid
 - resolution dependent
 - resizing reduces quality (resample)
 - easily converted
 - restricted to rectangle
 - minimal support for transparency
- . store in a 2D array: texture[height][width]
- . defined by **texels**: pixels of the texture
- . texels coordinates: $(s, t) \in [0, 1]$

bitmap formats

- BMP
- GIF: support transparency
- JPEG, JPG
- PNG: support transparency
- PICT (Macintosh)
- PCX
- TIFF
- PSD (Adobe Photoshop)

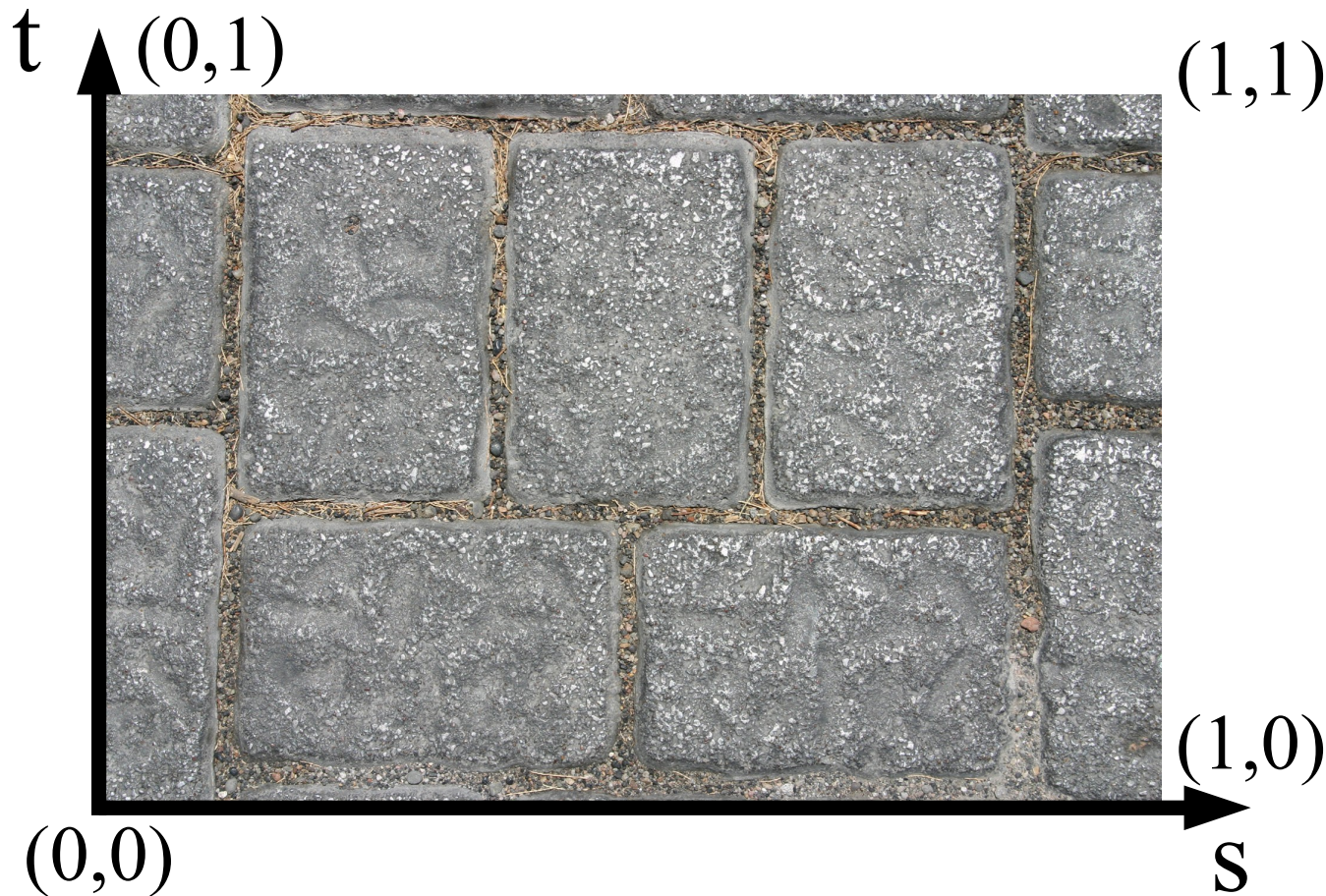
vector

- . scalable
- . resolution independent
- . no background
- . cartoon-like
- . inappropriate for photo-realistic images
- . metafiles contain both raster and vector data



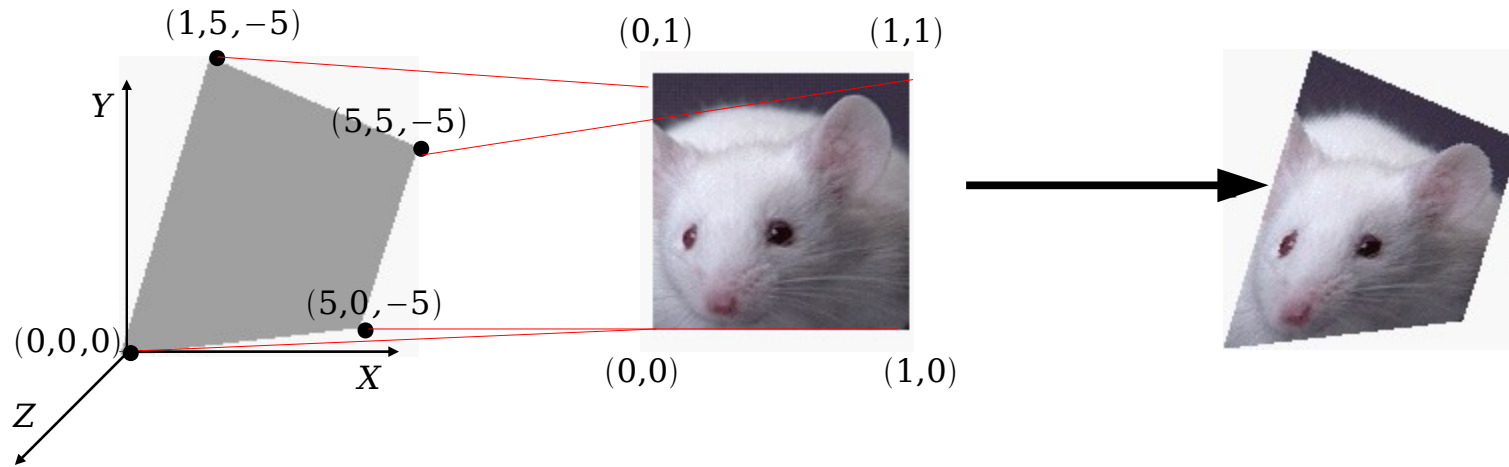
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how to map a texture to a surface?



apply once or repeat

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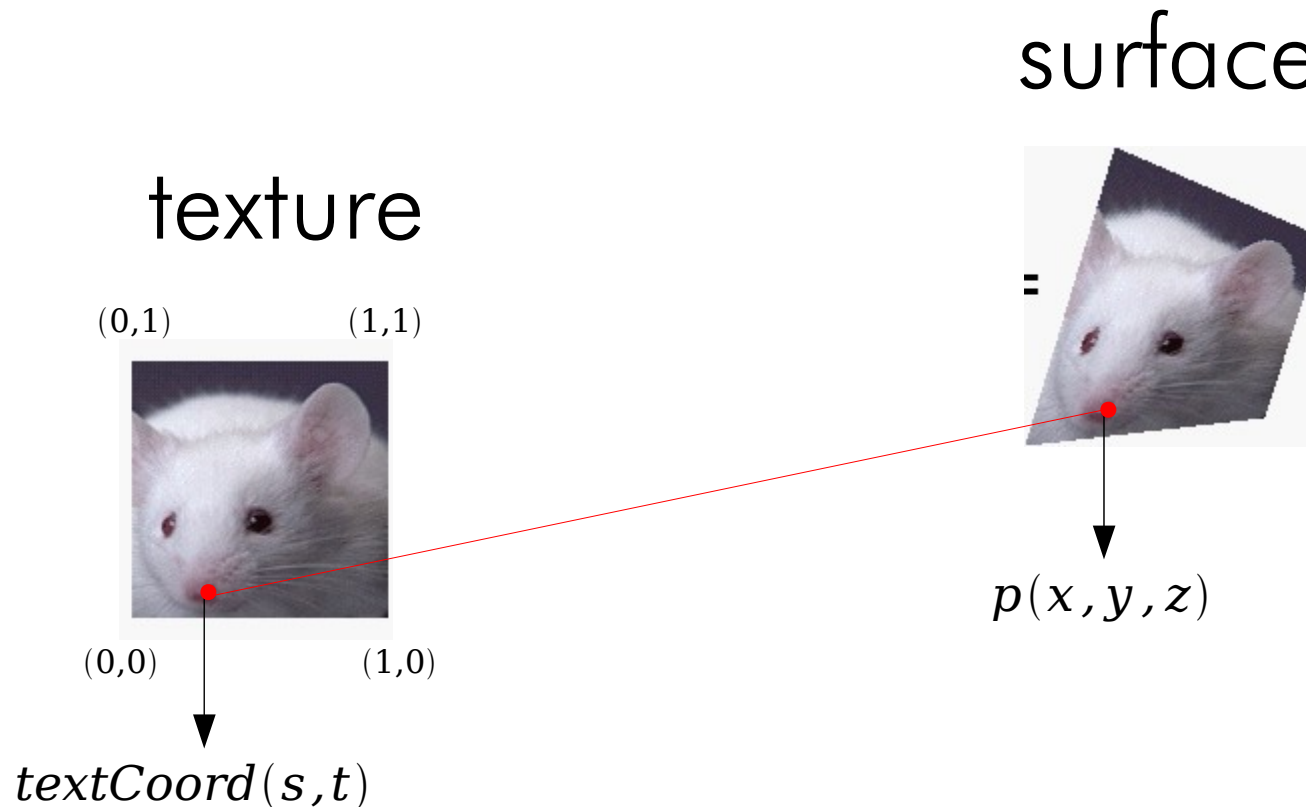


- polygons can have:
- . arbitrary size
 - . arbitrary shape

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texture value lookup:

there is a unique texture coordinate (s,t) that corresponds to a location on the surface



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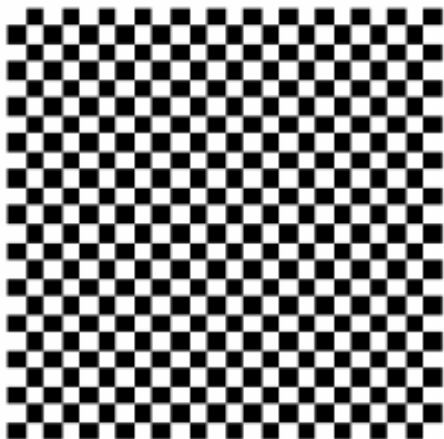
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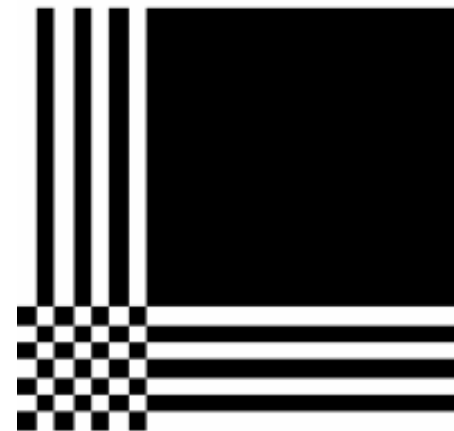


repeat



or

clamp



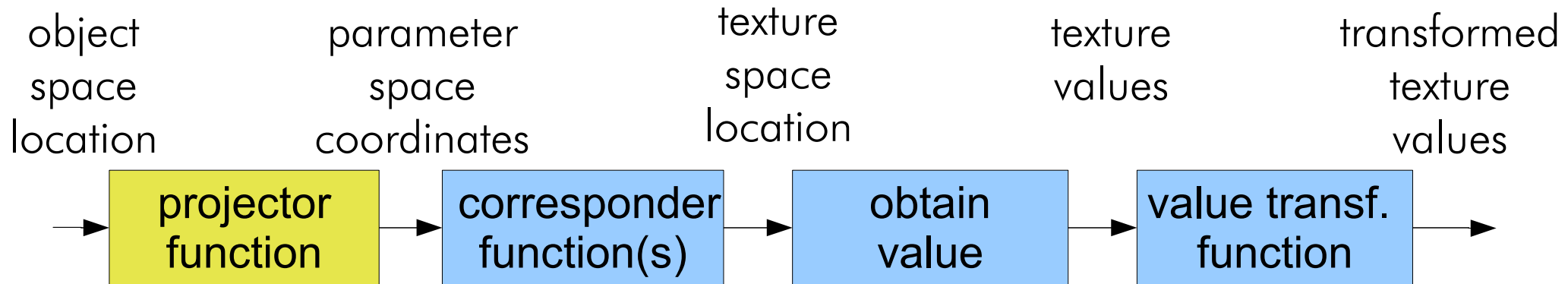
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normalize [0,1]



it is possible to choose part of the texture

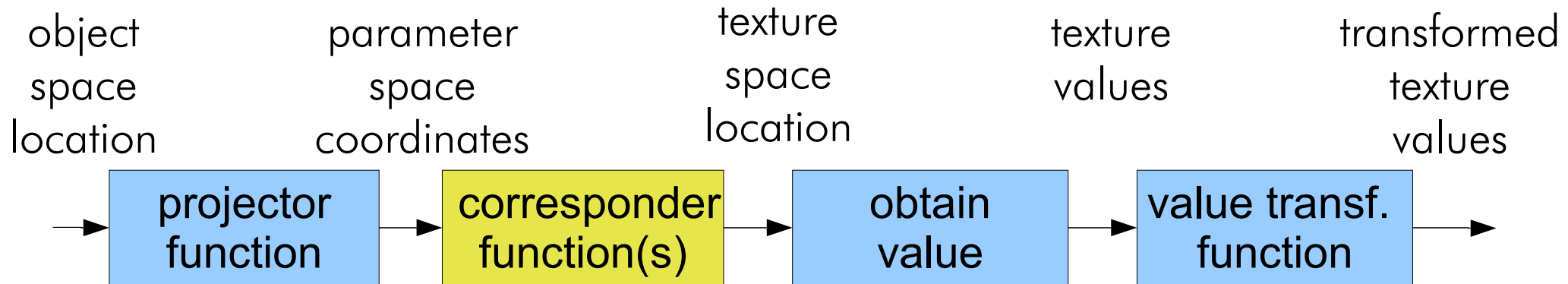
texture pipeline



obtaining the surface's location and projecting into parameter space, usually 2D (u, v) space

projection: spherical, cylindrical, planar

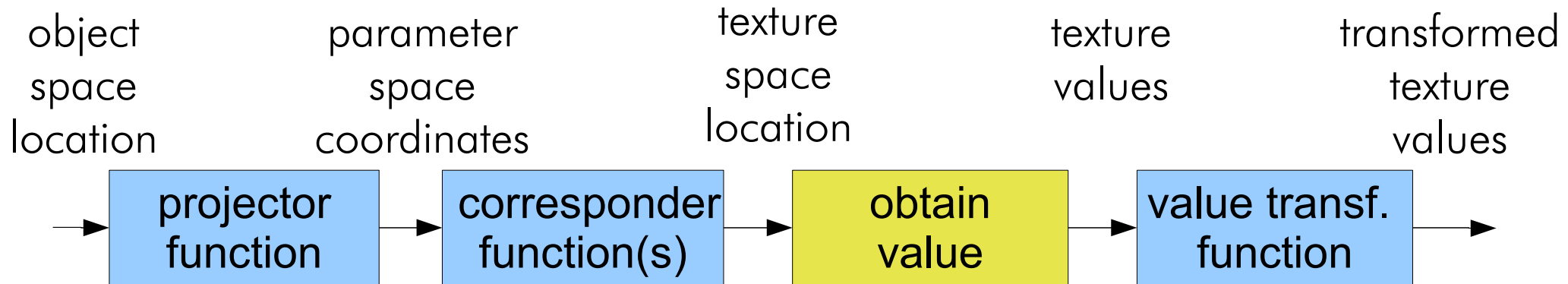
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convert parameter-space coord to texture space coord.

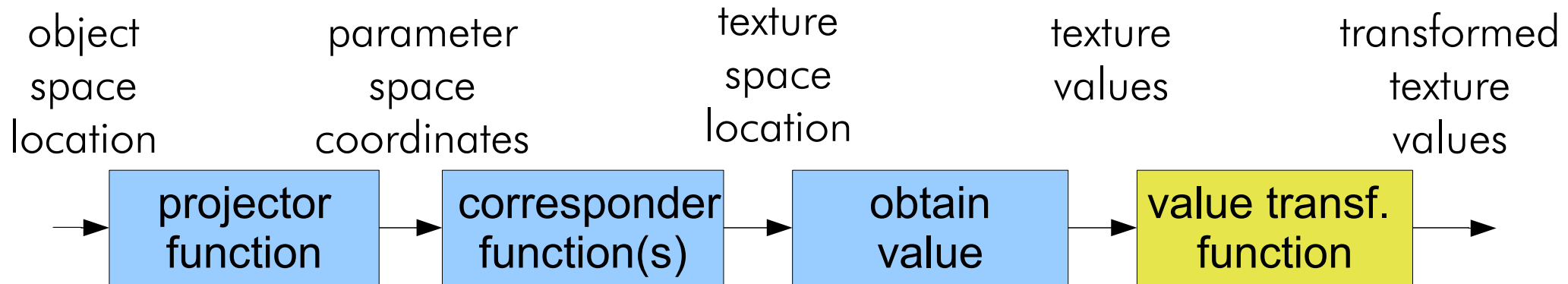
- . enables textures transformations: scale, rotate, translate, shear....
- . control the way an image is applied: repeat, mirror, clamp....

texture pipeline



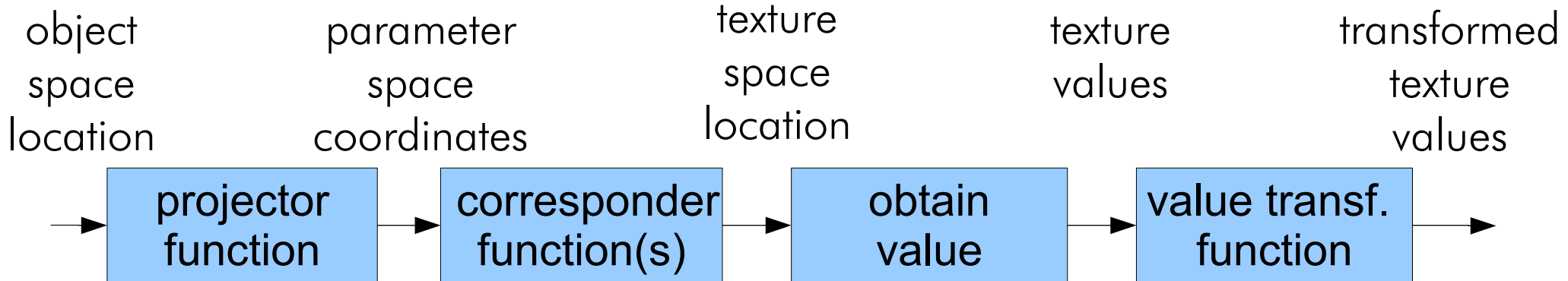
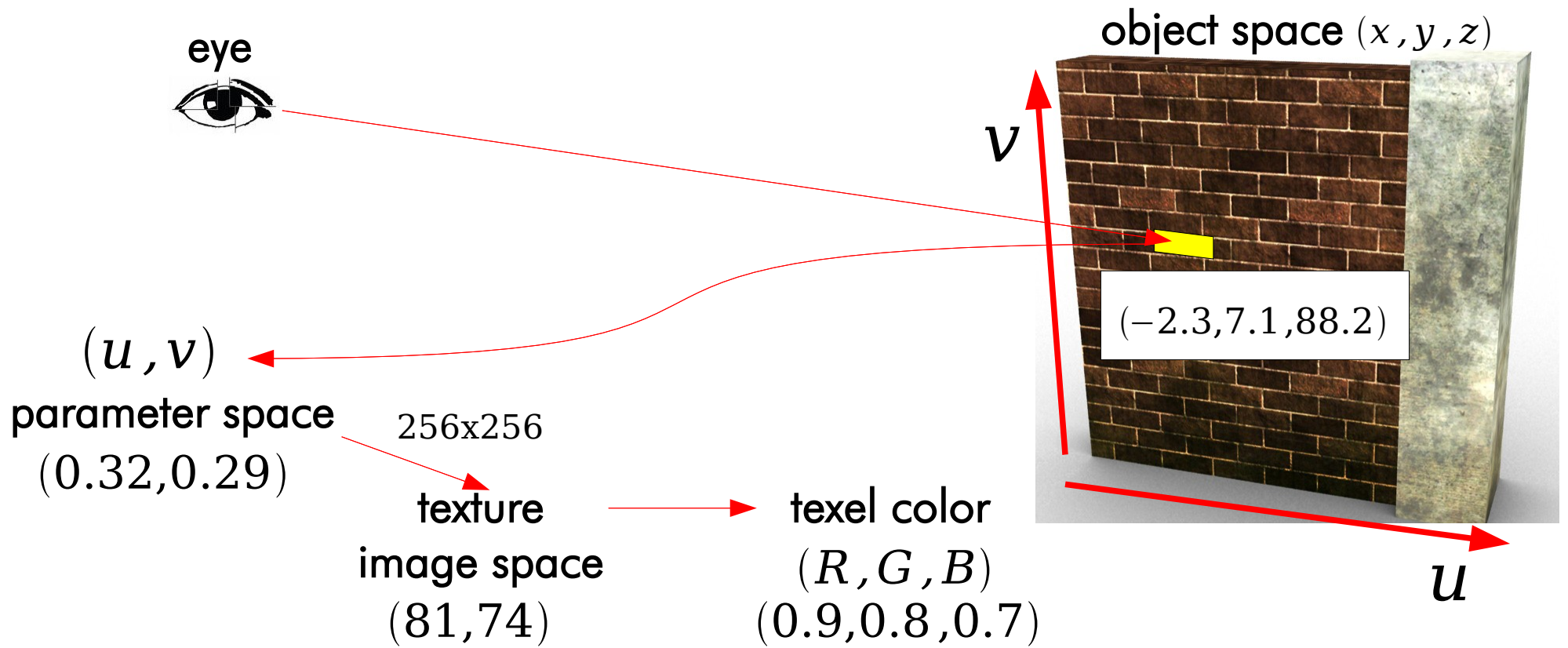
produce texture space coordinate to obtain texture values. We need to retrieve texel information from the image.

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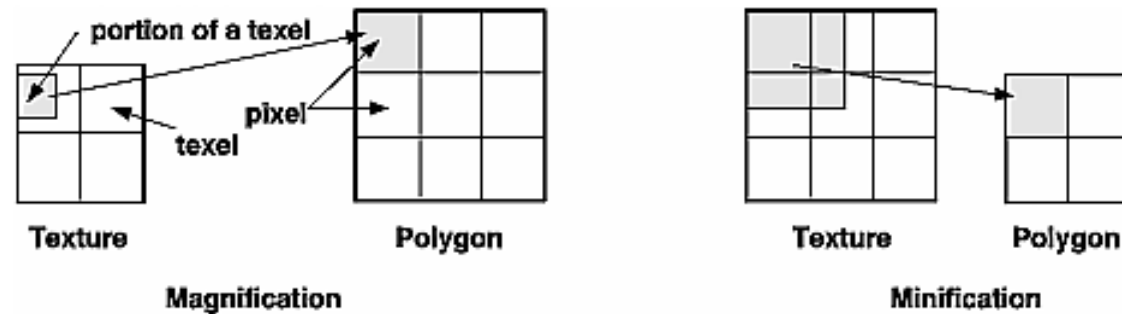
[optional] multiplies the texture values by the color if the image is too dark.

texture pipeline



filtering

what happens if a texture coordinate doesn't fit directly a pixel in the texture but in between?

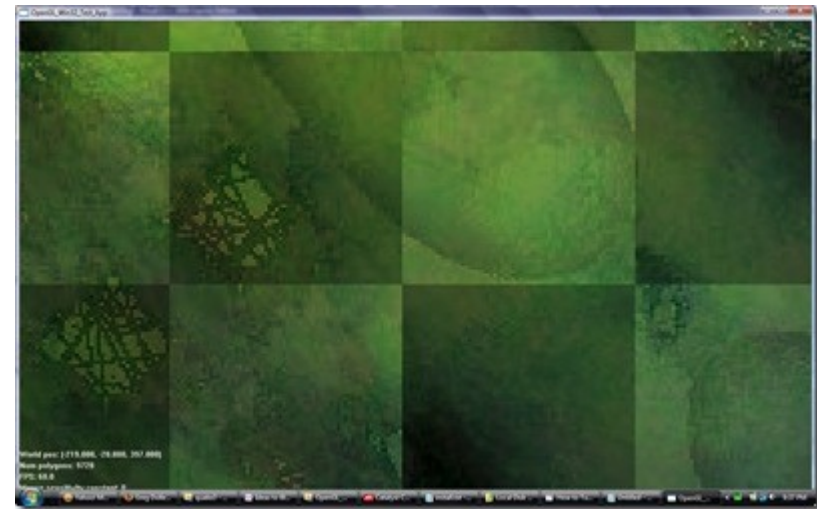
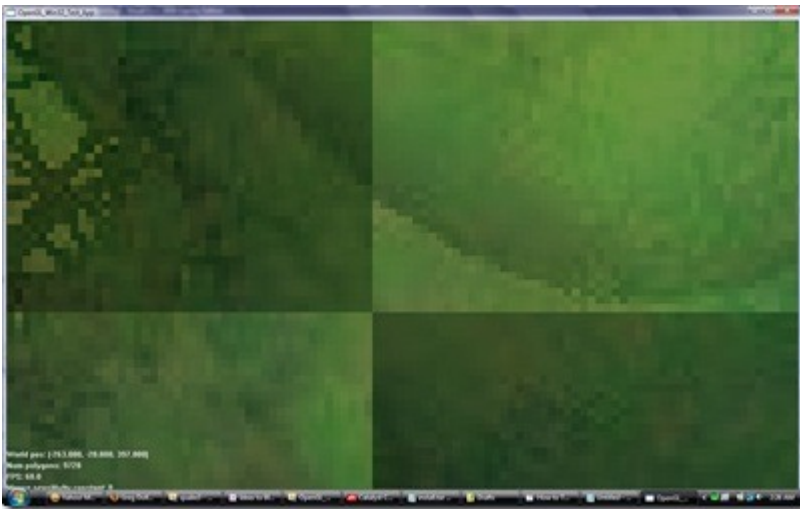


Some methods:

- . nearest-neighbor interpolation
- . nearest neighbor with mipmapping
- . bilinear filtering
- . trilinear filtering

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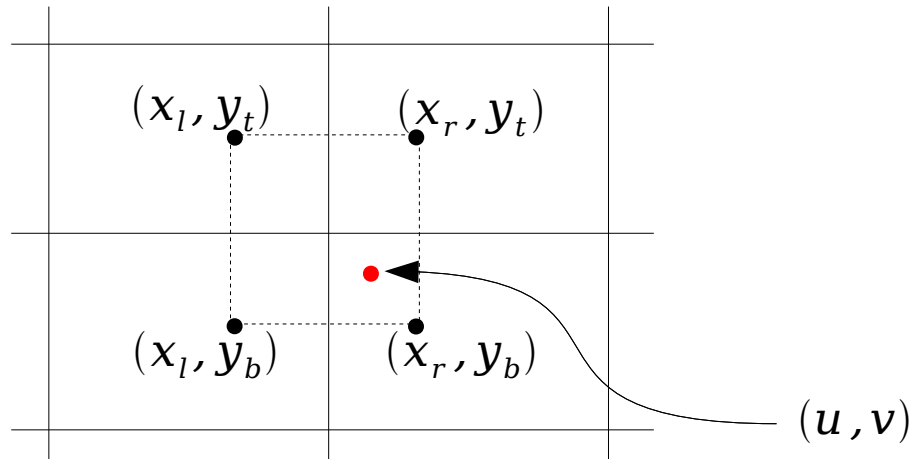
texture magnification



bilinear filtering using weighted average
of 4 nearest texels

filtering

texture magnification: bilinear interpolation



$$b(p_u, p_v) = (1 - u')(1 - v')t(x_l, y_b) + u'(1 - v')t(x_r, y_b) \\ + (1 - u')v't(x_l, y_t) + u'v't(x_r, y_t)$$