# YUV sampling in Vulkan VK\_KHR\_sampler\_ycbcr\_conversion

### What is YUV?

#### A color model

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  - 1. is describe colorspace that are encoded using YCbCr
  - encodes color image or video taking human perception into account
  - 3. allows reduced bandwidth for chrominance components, compared to RGB
  - 4. Y Luminance component
    - 1. Physical linear-space brightness
  - 5. U blue projection
  - 6. V red projection

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#### Video compression

- 1. Why YUV is some kind of complicated?
  - 1. Planar: Each color component is packed in different 2D images
  - 2. Luma: Y refers to luminance
  - 3. UV(CbCr) refers to chrominance(color)
  - 4. Downsampled chroma. Less bandwidth on color is an easy way to save space.
  - 5. Different various of YUV format...
    - 1. How many planes? 2 or 3
    - 2. Which color component comes first?
    - 3. How many bit per component? 8-bit or 10-bit?
    - 4. How much is chroma downsampled? 2x?
    - 5. Where is the telex center for the chroma samples?
    - 6. What is exact color space conversion matrix from YUV to RGB?
    - 7. How is chroma reconstructed to full resolution?

## Dealing with YUV without fancy extensions How many formats you need to deal with

Shader variants may quickly get out hand if too many formats

```
layout(binding = 0) uniform TexLuma;
layout(binding = 1) uniform TexCb;
layout(binding = 2) uniform TexCr;

layout(location = 0) out vec3 FragColor;
layout(location = 0) in vec2 TexCoord;

const mat3 yuv_to_rgb_matrix = mat3(...);

void main()
{
    float Luma = textureLod(TexLuma, TexCoord, 0.0).x;
    float Cb = textureLod(TexCb, TexCoord, 0.0).x; // For mid-point chroma
    float Cr = textureLod(TexCr, TexCoord, 0.0).x;
    vec3 yuv = vec3(Luma, Cb, Cr);
    // Possibly expand range here if using TV YUV range and not PC YUV range.
    yuv = rescale_yuv(yuv);
    FragColor = yuv_to_rgb_matrix * yuv;
}
```