

# Virtual Humans – Winter 23/24

Lecture 2\_1 – Image Formation

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# Overview

- Part1. Image formation – Introduction
- Part2. Image formation – Projection Matrix

# Computer Vision goal: Predict 3D human mesh from a single image



Input (2D)

Output (3D)

# Computer Graphics goal: Render photorealistic avatars



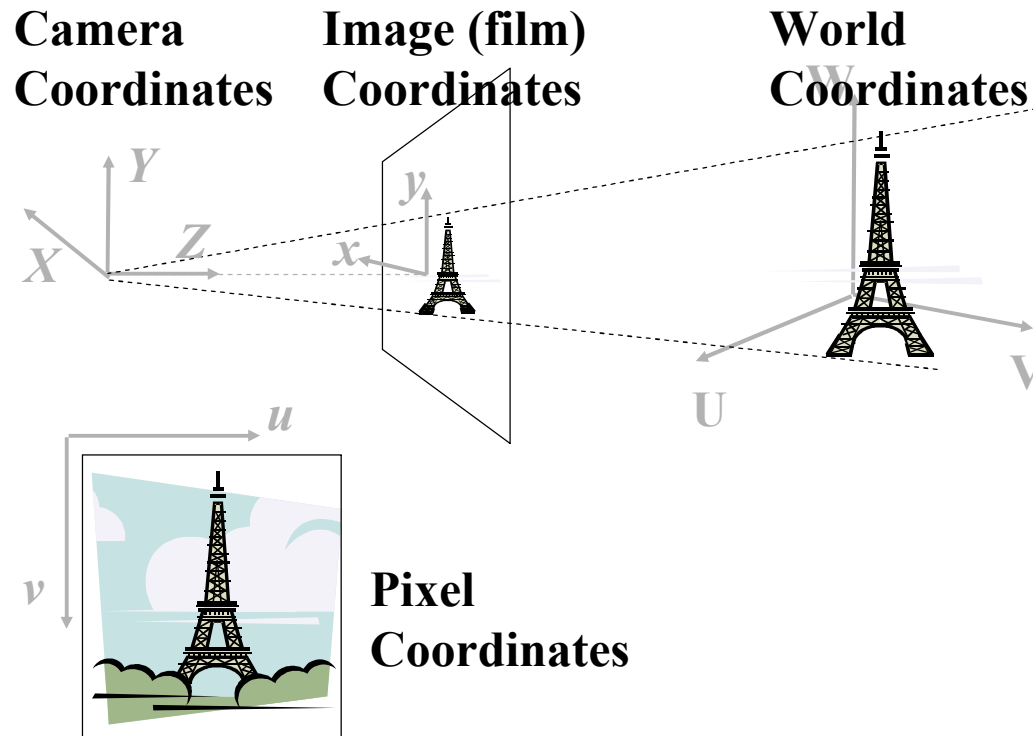
Input (2D)

Output (3D)

# For both problems we need to understand first image formation models

Robert Collins  
CSE486, Penn State

## Imaging Geometry



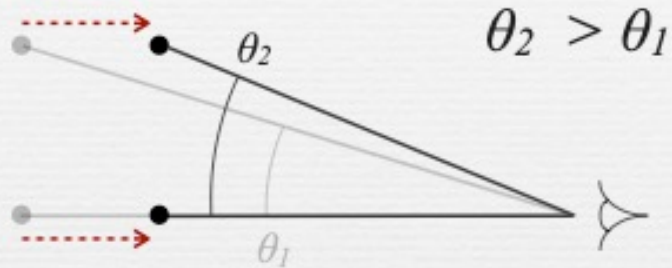
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# Roman wall paintings

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from Villa Publius Fannius Synistor,  
Boscotrecase, Pompeii (c. 40 B.C.)



Still life with peaches, from  
Herculaneum (before 79 A.D.)



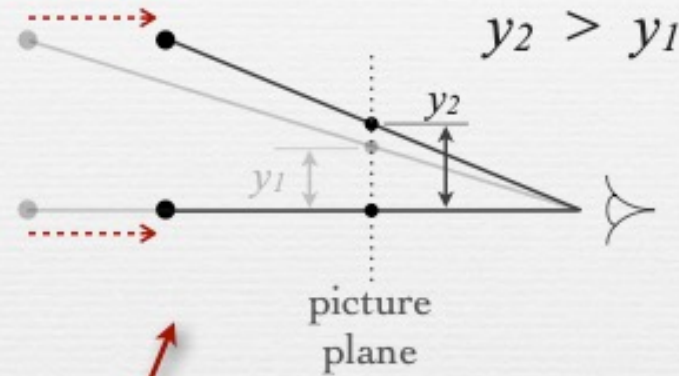
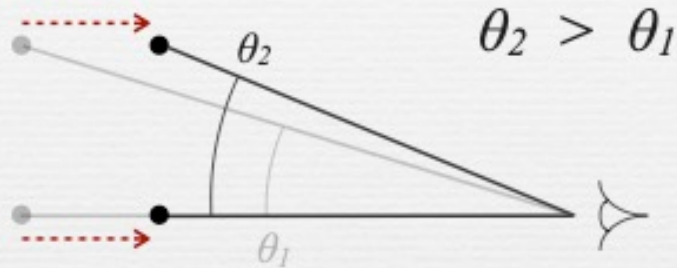
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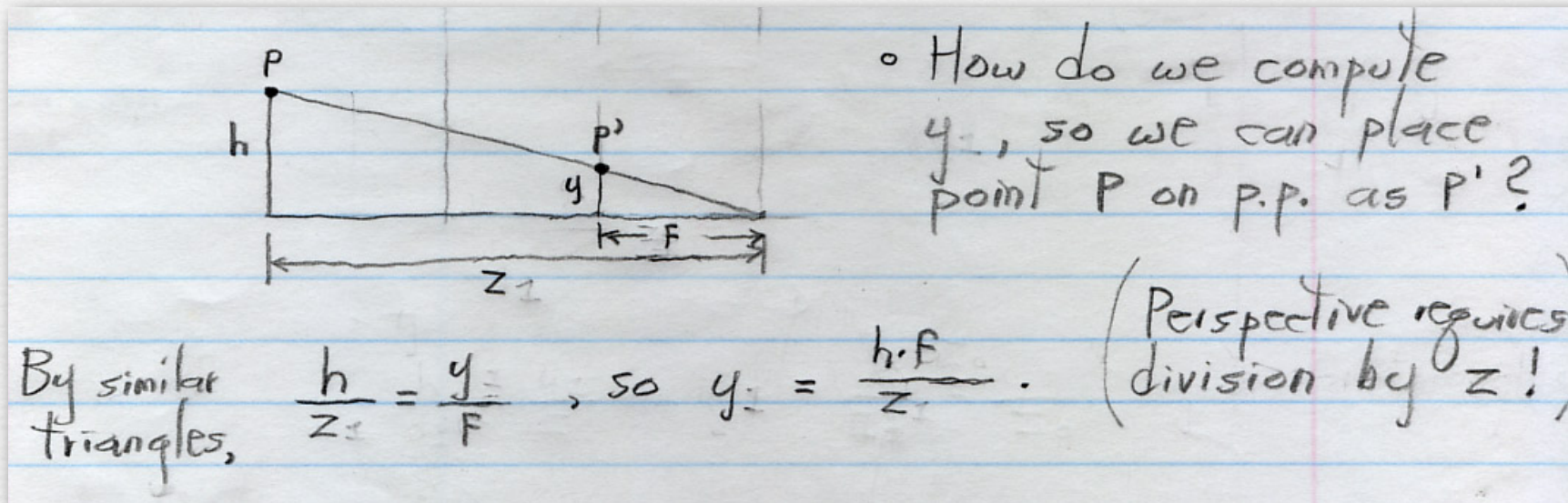
$$\frac{y_2}{y_1} \neq \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_1}$$



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# Projection onto picture plane (contents of whiteboard)

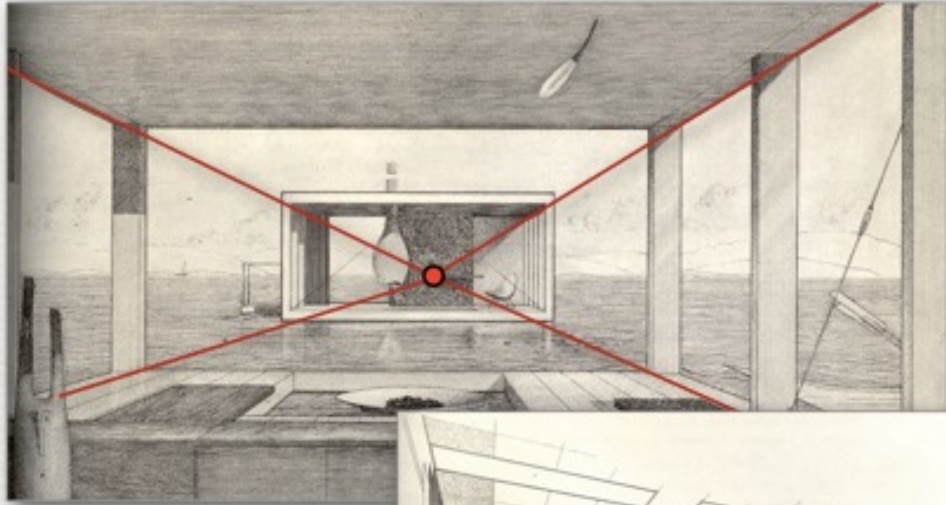
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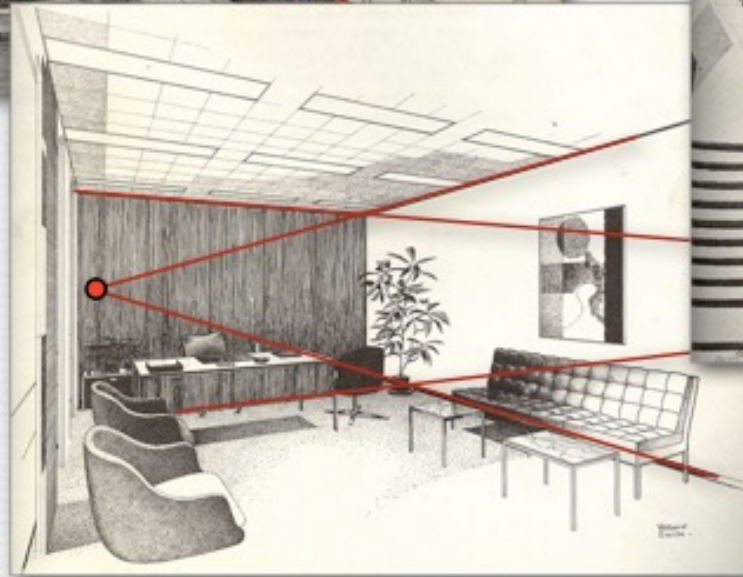
- ◆ the division by  $z$  means that the size of an object in a photograph is inversely proportional to its distance from the camera

# Vanishing points

*Q. How many vanishing points can there be in a perspective drawing?*



1-point



2-point



3-point

(D'Amelio)

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Q. Should the distant ends of a long facade be drawn smaller than its center in a perspective drawing?

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Pause the video and think

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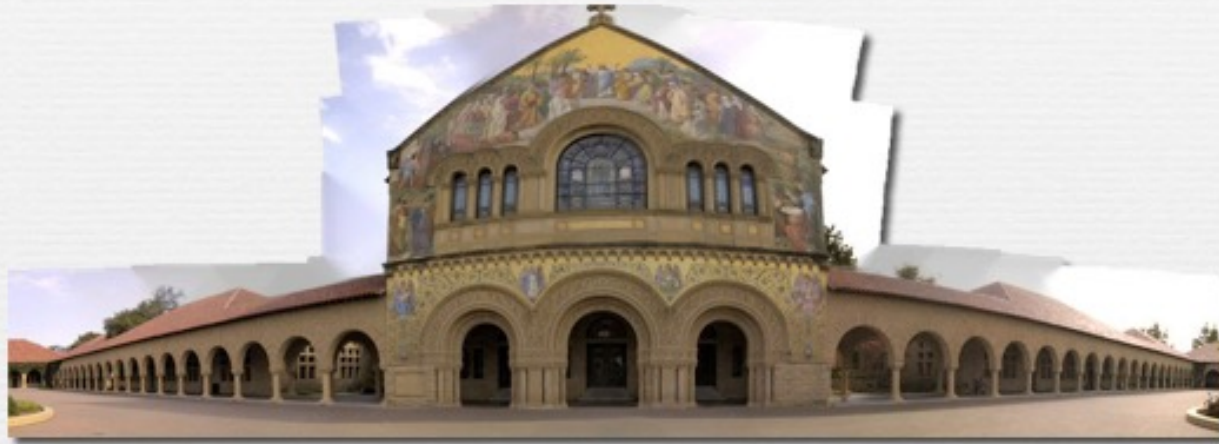


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Should it look like this picture?

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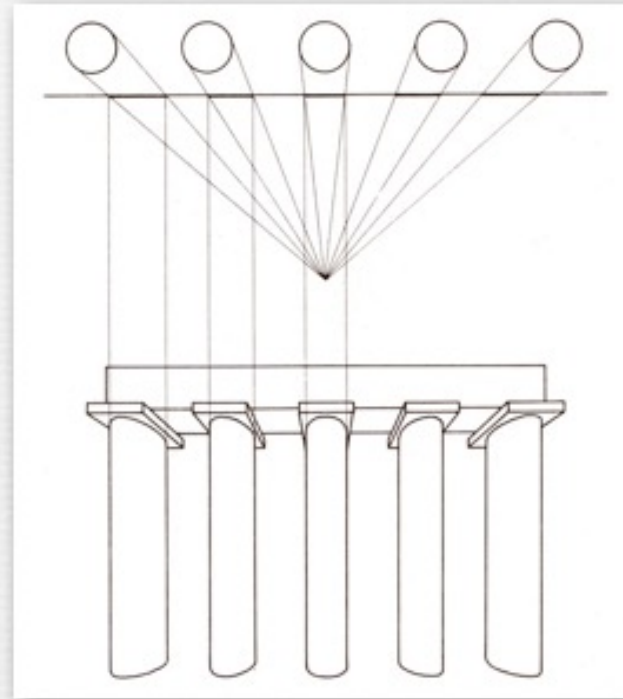
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- ◆ no, in linear perspective straight lines remain straight
- ◆ lines parallel to the picture plane do not converge
- ◆ they appear smaller when you view the drawing, due to natural perspective (angles subtended at eye)

Q. Why does this perspective drawing look distorted?

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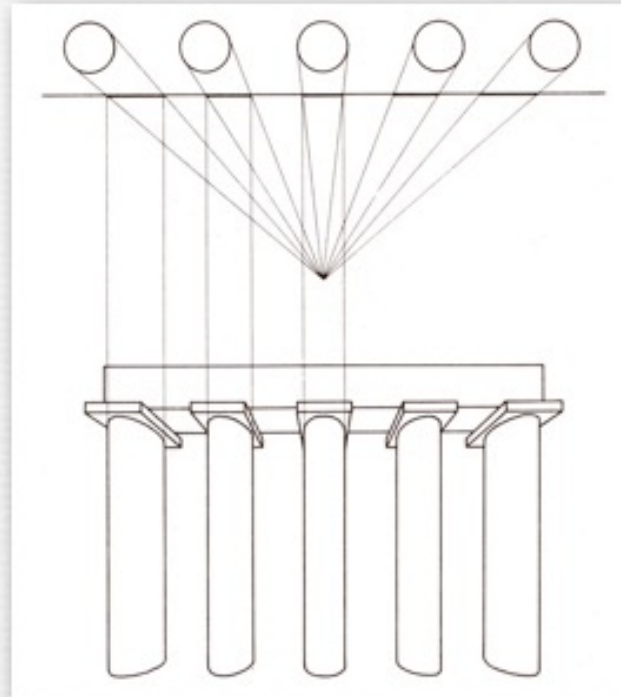


(Dubery)



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(Dubery)

- ◆ it's not distorted; it's a correct linear perspective
- ◆ you're viewing the drawing from too far away

# Recap

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- ◆ natural perspective
  - visual angle subtended by a feature in the world
- ◆ linear perspective
  - intersections of lines of sight with a picture plane
  - the correct way to make a drawing on a flat surface
- ◆ vanishing points
  - one per direction of line in the scene
  - lines parallel to the picture plane do not converge

**Questions?**

# Single lens reflex camera (SLR)

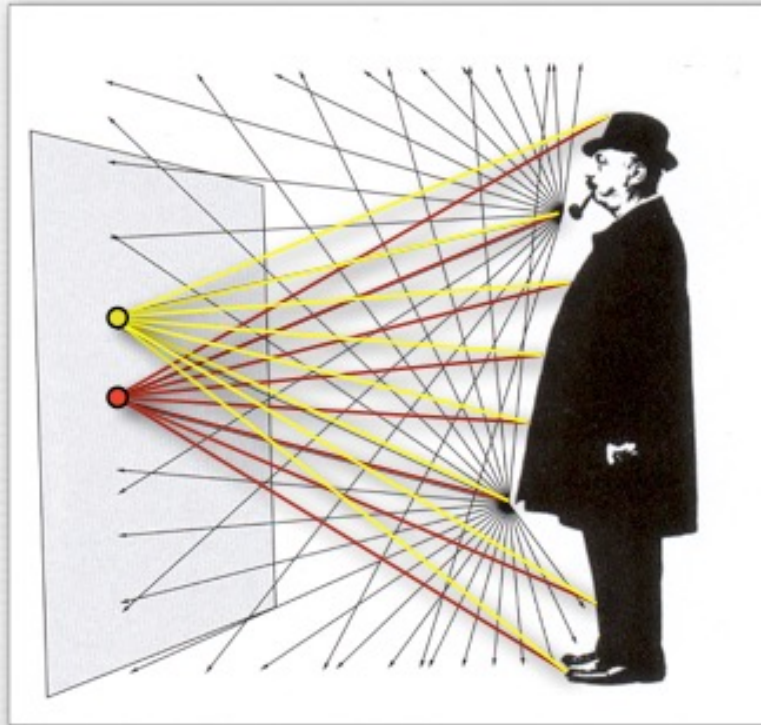
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Nikon F4  
(film camera)

# Why not use sensors without optics?

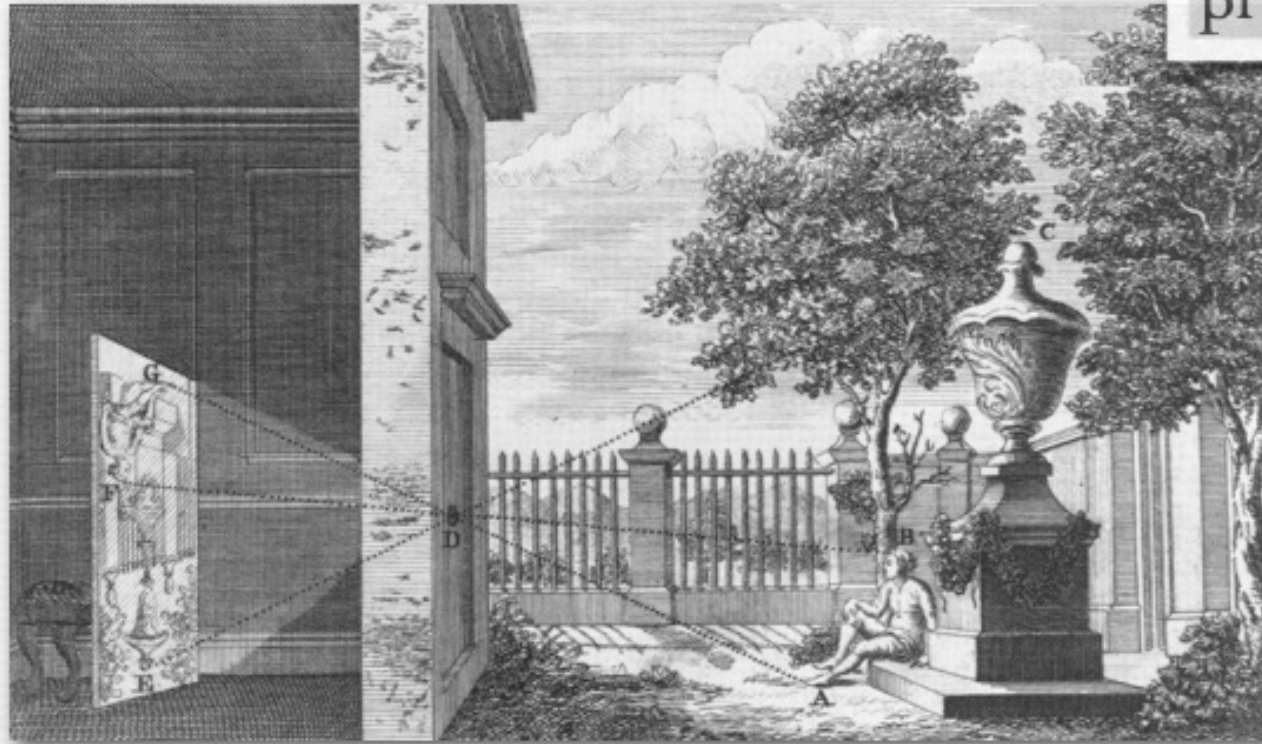
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# Pinhole camera (a.k.a. *camera obscura*)

2D planar  
geometric  
projection

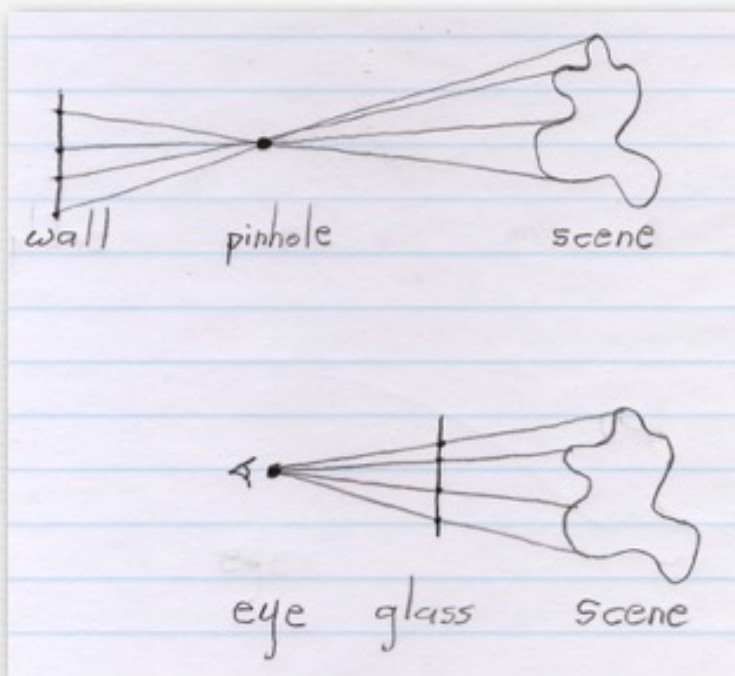


- ◆ linear perspective with viewpoint at pinhole
- ◆ tilting the picture plane changes the number and location of vanishing points

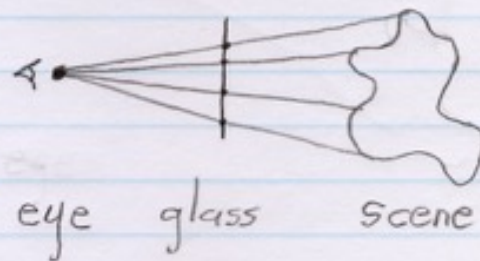
# Equivalence of Dürer's glass and *camera obscura* (contents of whiteboard)

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*camera obscura*



Dürer's glass

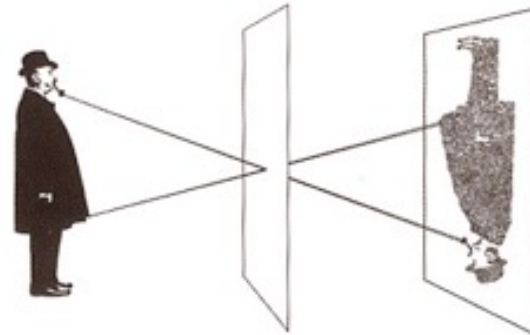


- ◆ both devices compute 2D planar geometric projections,  
i.e. projections along straight lines through a point and onto a plane
  - the images differ only in scale (and a reflection around the origin)

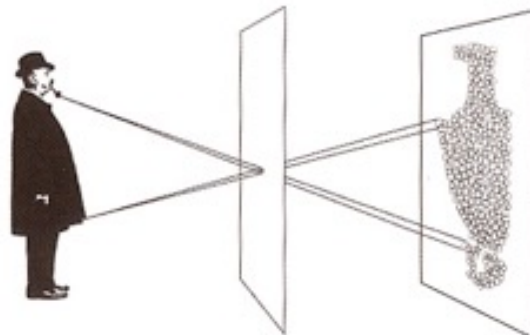
# Effect of pinhole size

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Photograph made with small pinhole



Photograph made with larger pinhole



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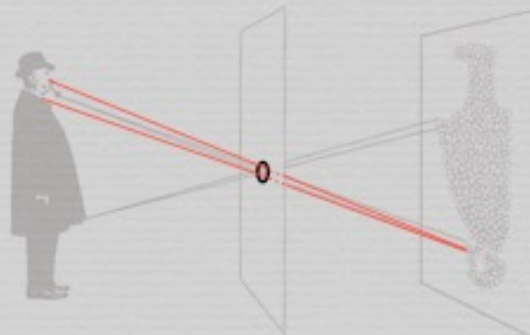
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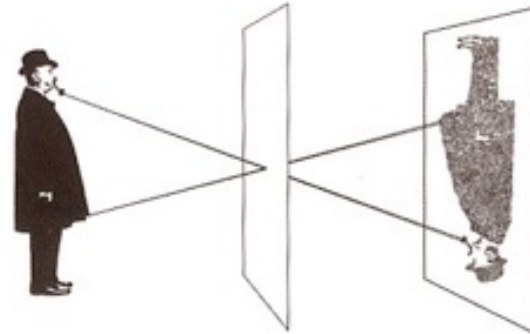
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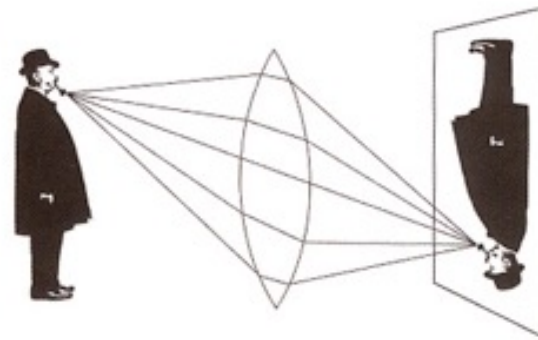


# Replacing the pinhole with a lens

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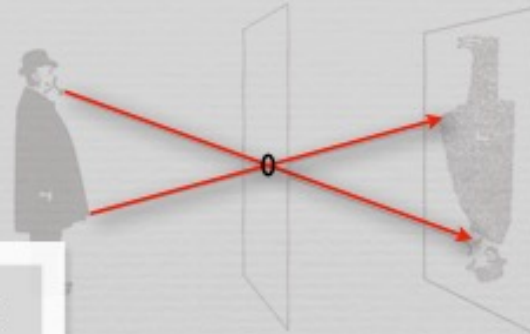
Photograph made with lens



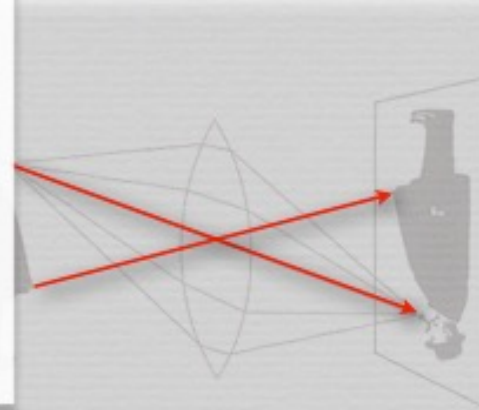
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# Replacing the pinhole with a lens

Photograph made with small pinhole



- ◆ a photographic camera produces the same 2D planar geometric projection as a *camera obscura*
  - a lens replaces the pinhole, and film or a digital sensor becomes the picture plane
  - rotating the camera (and lens) around the lens's center adds or removes vanishing points



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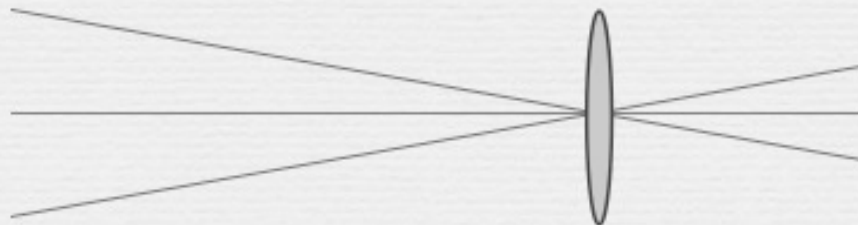
# Geometrical optics

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- ◆ parallel rays converge to a point located at focal length  $f$  from lens

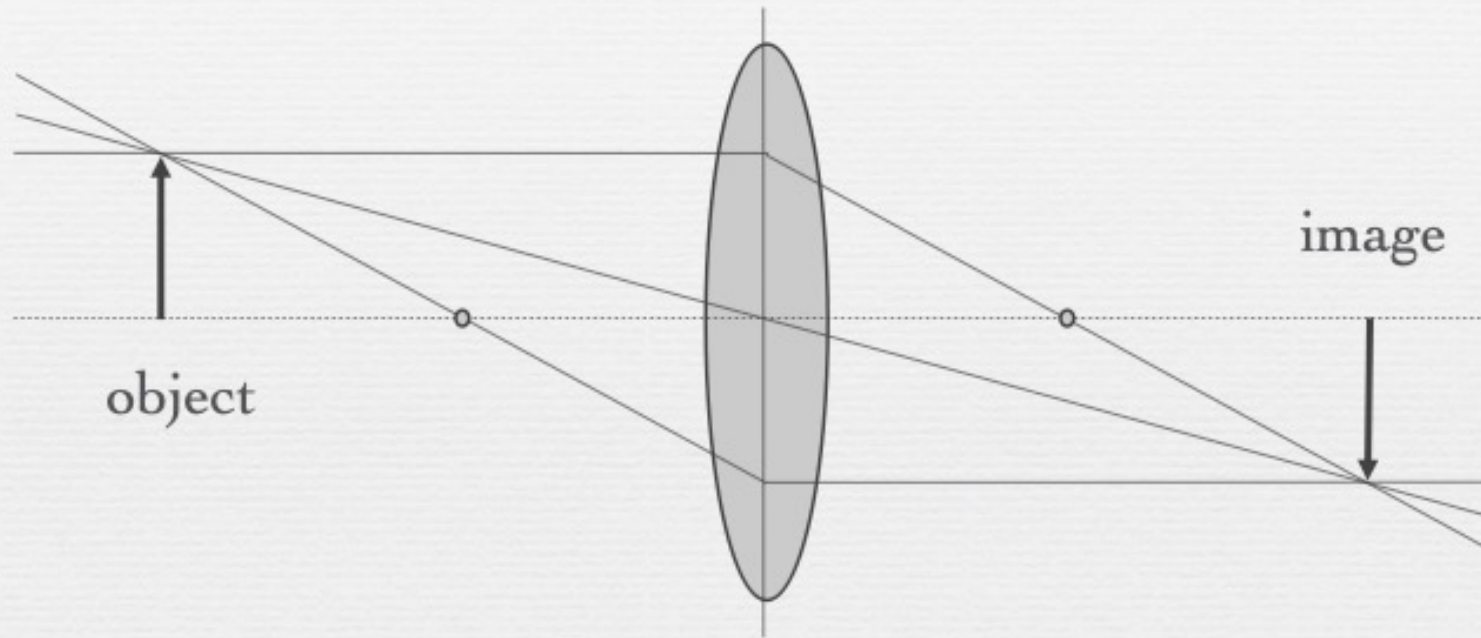


- ◆ rays going through center of lens are not deviated
  - hence same perspective as pinhole



# Gauss's ray tracing construction

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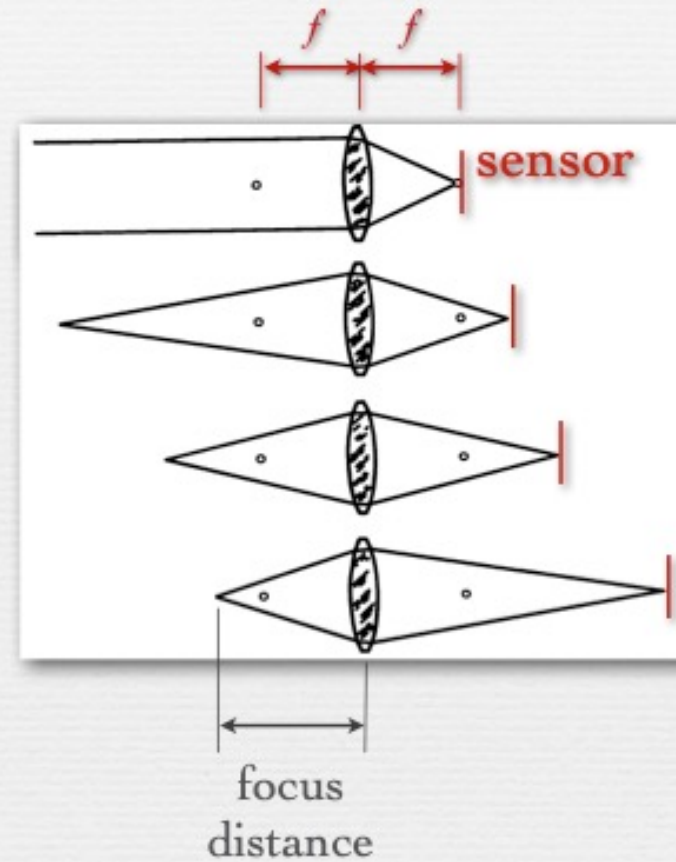


- ◆ rays coming from points on a plane parallel to the lens are focused to points on another plane parallel to the lens

# Changing the focus distance

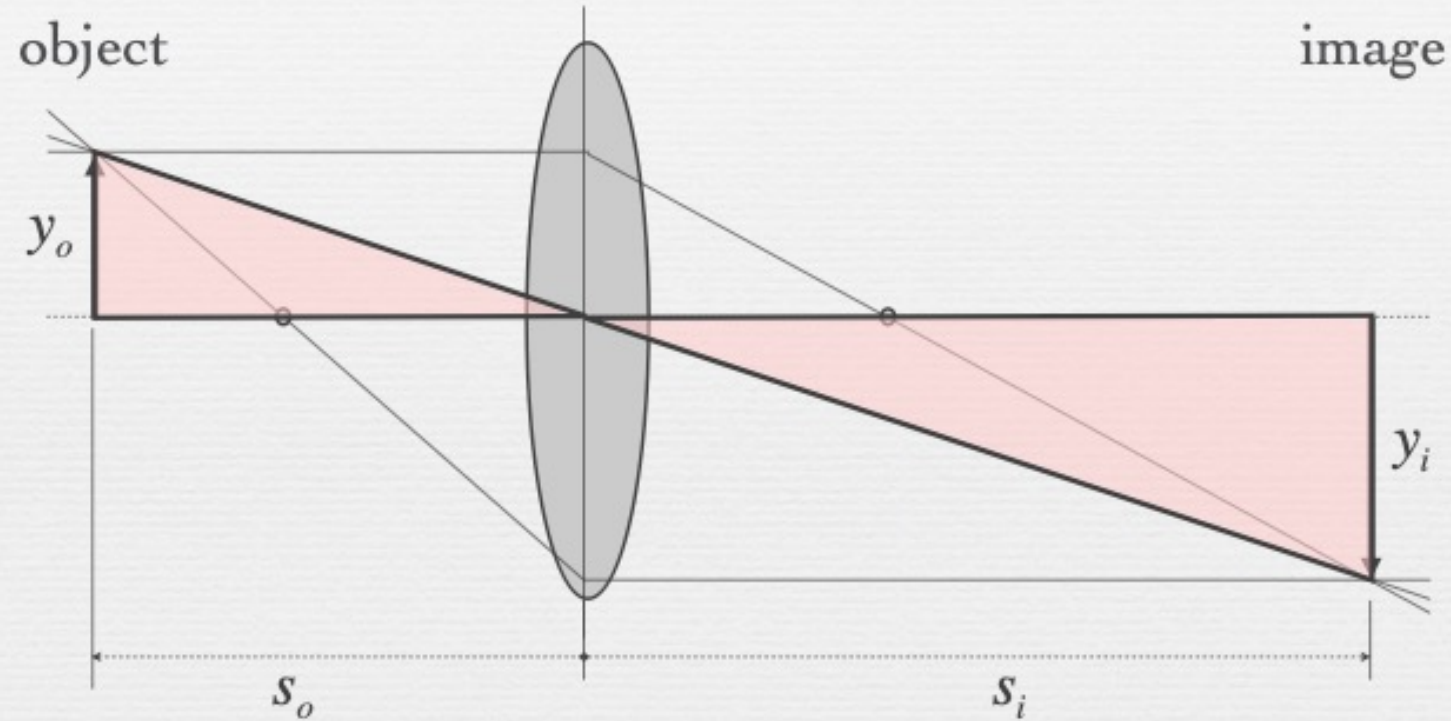
- ◆ to focus on objects at different distances, move sensor relative to lens
- ◆ in a handheld camera, one actually moves the lens, not the sensor

by convention, the “focus distance” is on the object side of the lens



# From Gauss's ray construction to the Gaussian lens formula

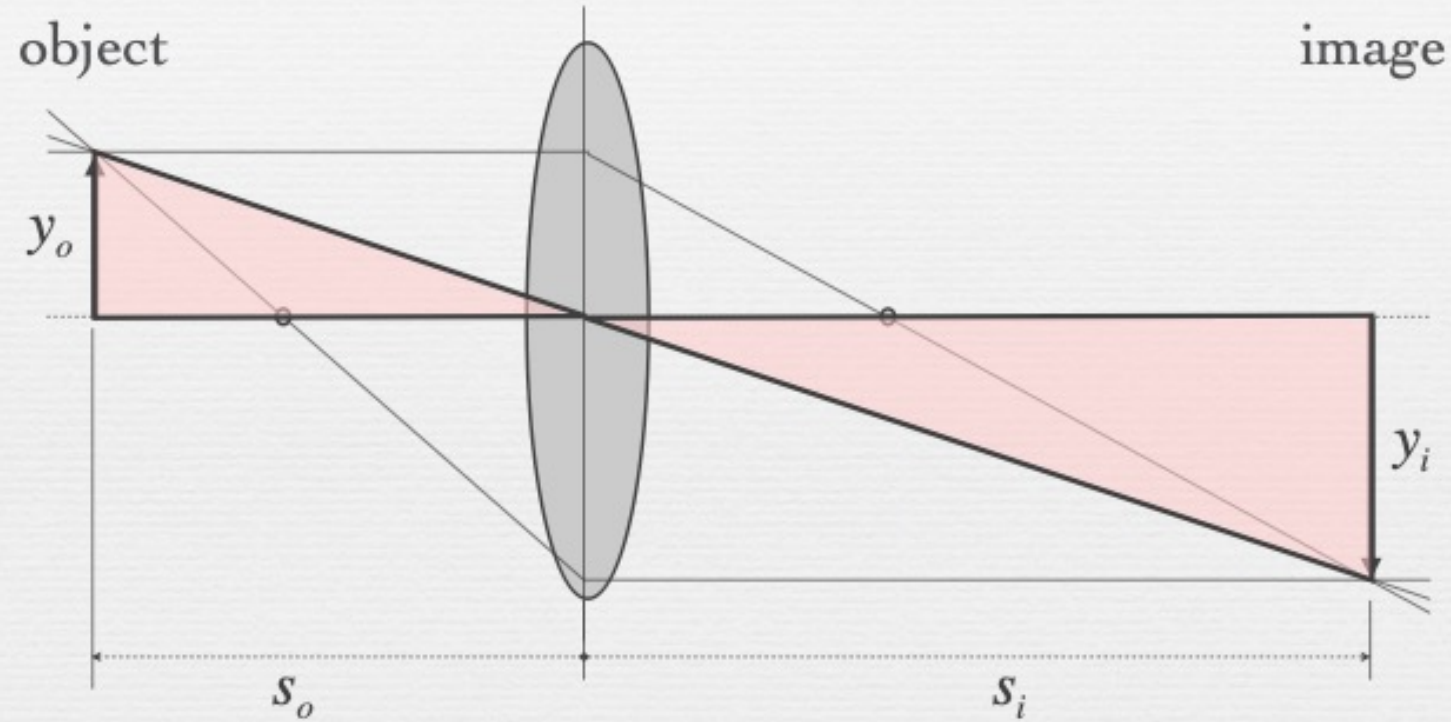
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- ◆ positive  $s_i$  is rightward, positive  $s_o$  is leftward
- ◆ positive  $y$  is upward

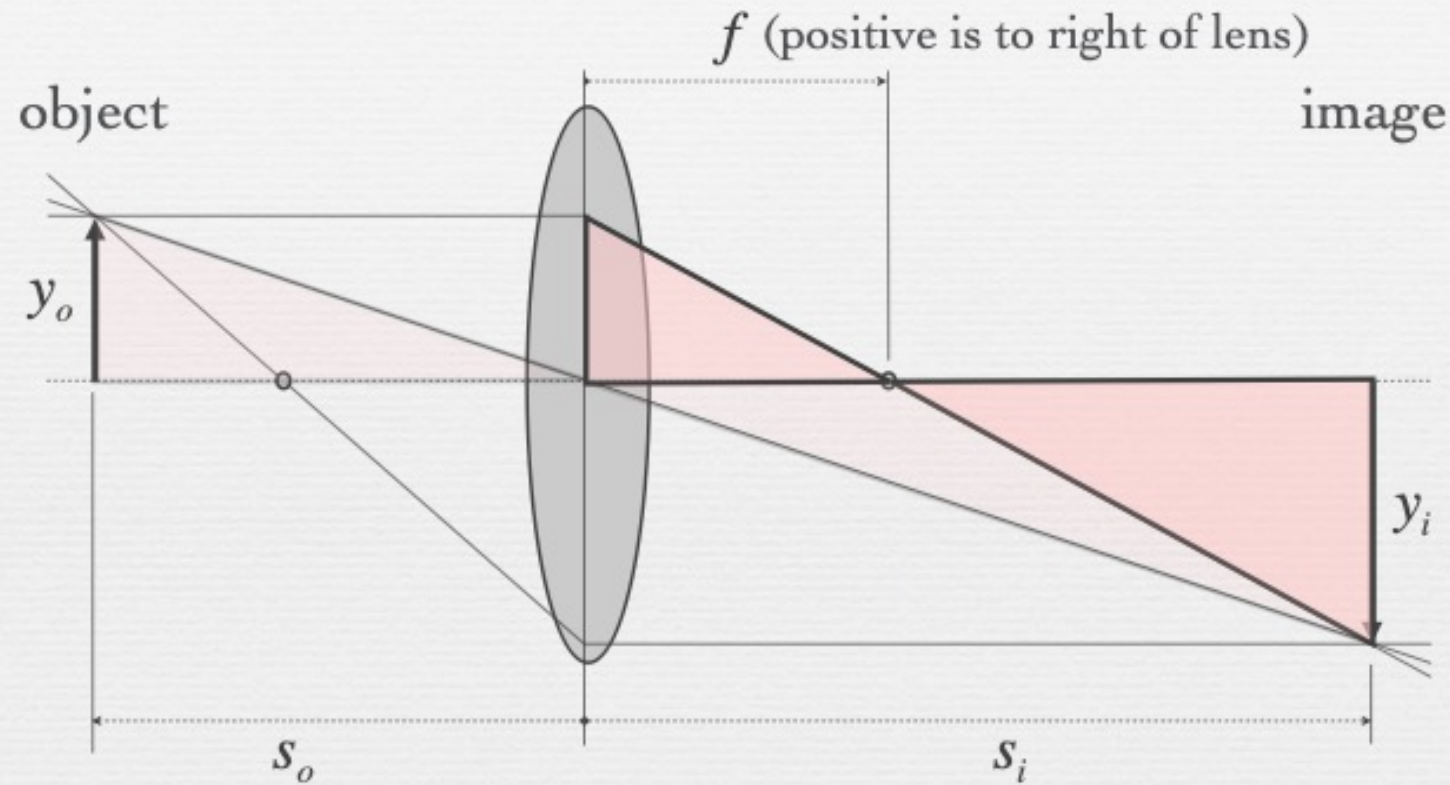
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$$\frac{|y_i|}{y_o} = \frac{s_i}{s_o}$$

# From Gauss's ray construction to the Gaussian lens formula



$$\frac{|y_i|}{y_o} = \frac{s_i}{s_o} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{|y_i|}{y_o} = \frac{s_i - f}{f} \quad \dots$$

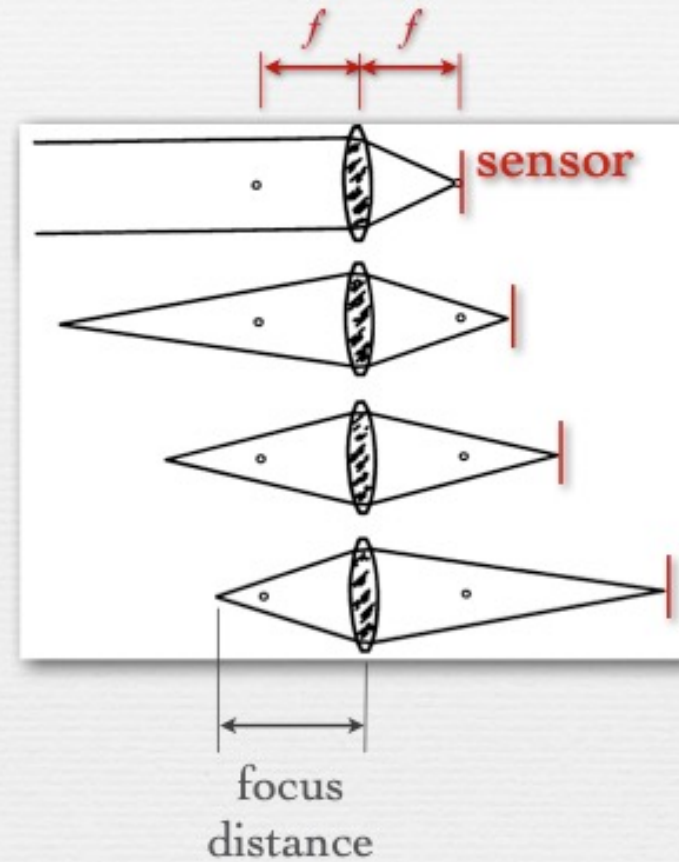
$$\frac{1}{s_o} + \frac{1}{s_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$



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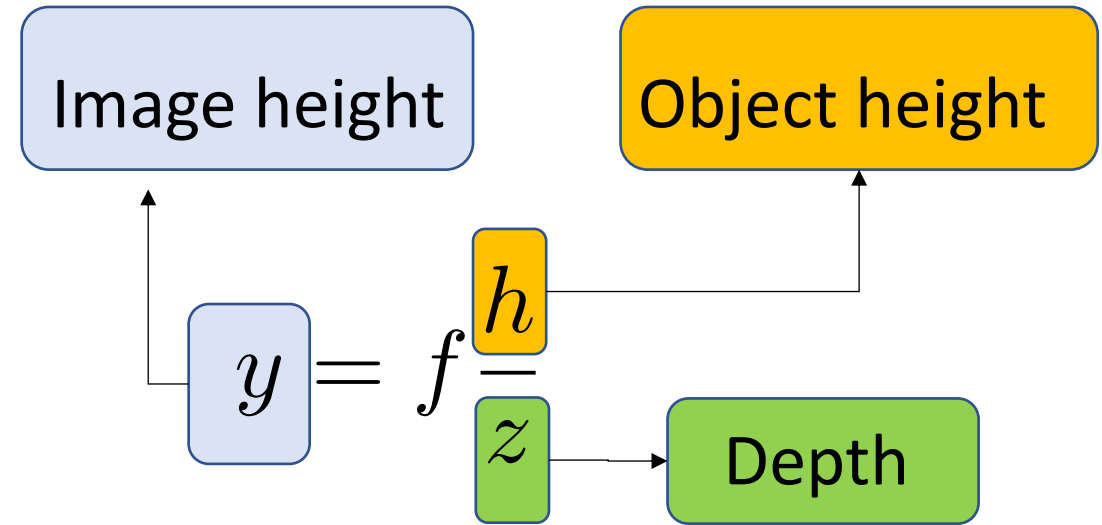
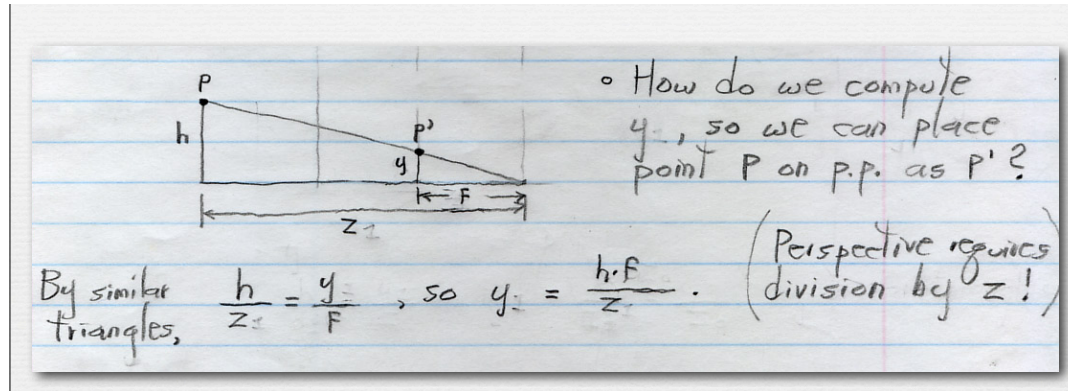
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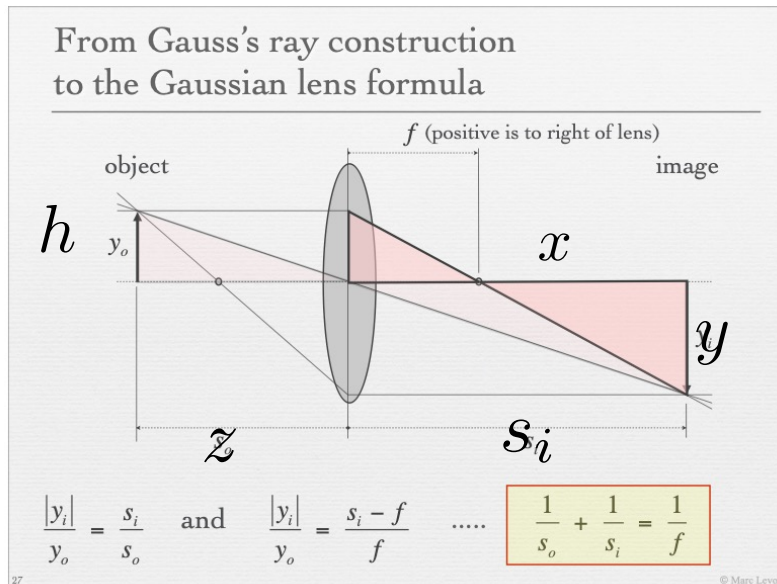


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# Pinhole camera model



# Lens camera model

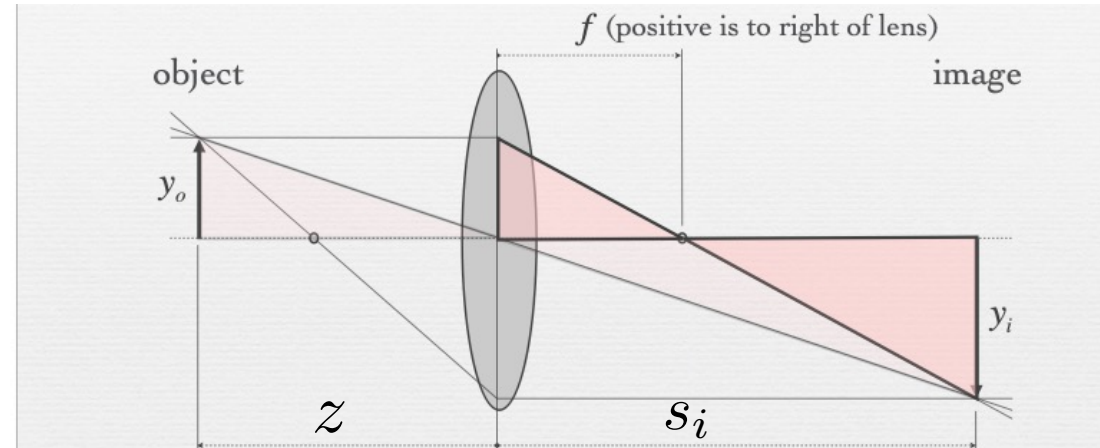


$y = s_i \frac{h}{z}$

$s_i = f + x$

Distance from sensor to lens

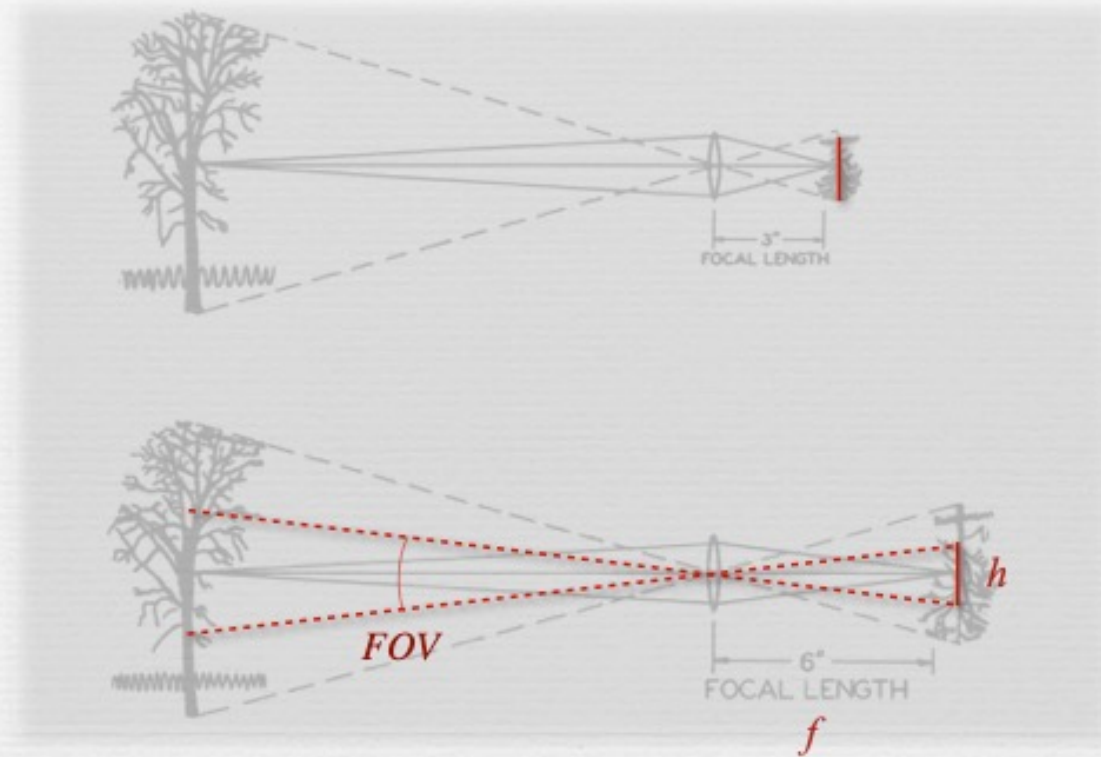
# Lens camera vs Pinhole camera



- For the lens camera model, we derived 
$$\frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{s_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$
- As the depth goes to infinity  $z \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain  $s_i \rightarrow f$   
That is, lens with focal length  $f$  is equivalent to pinhole at distance  $f$

# Changing the focal length

- ◆ if the sensor size is constant, the field of view becomes smaller

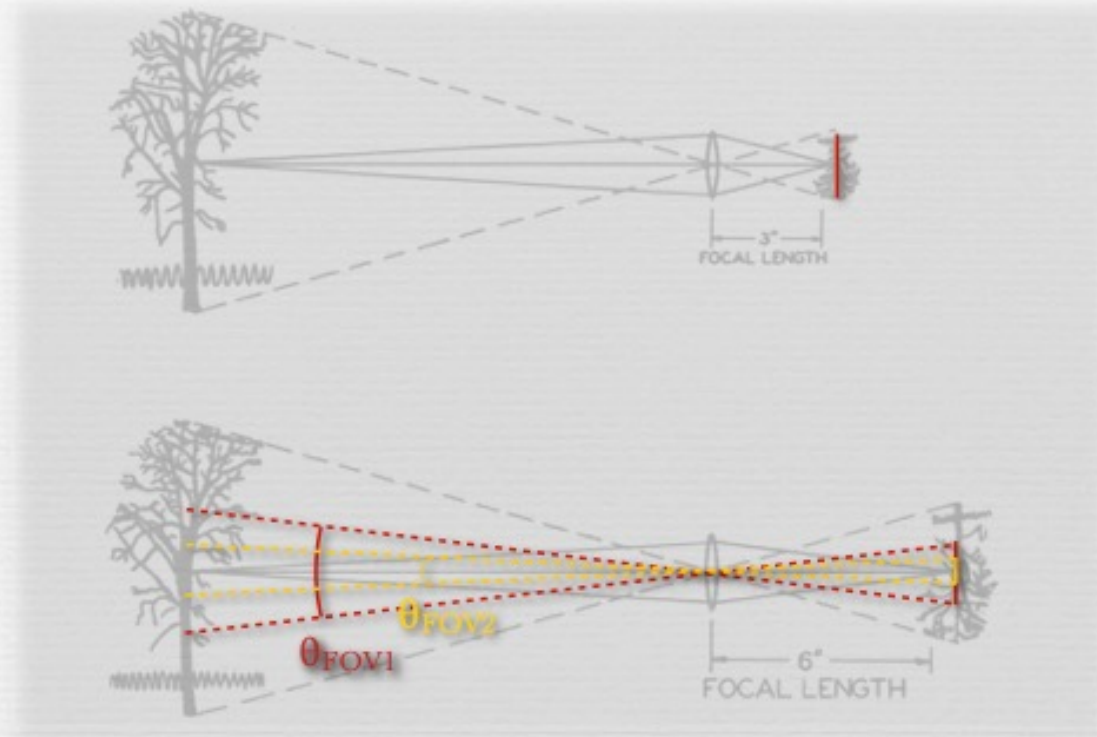


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$$FOV = 2 \arctan (h / 2 f)$$

# Changing the sensor size

- ◆ if the sensor size is smaller, the field of view is smaller too
- ◆ smaller sensors either have fewer pixels, or smaller pixels, which are noisier



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# Changing the focal length versus changing the viewpoint

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wide-angle

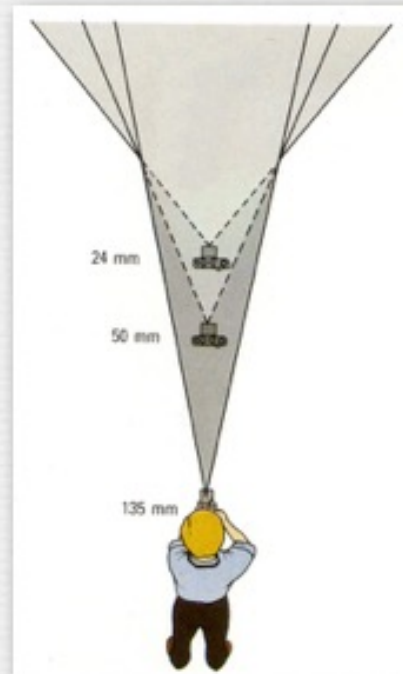
telephoto and  
moved back

- ◆ changing the focal length lets us move back from a subject, while maintaining its size on the image
- ◆ but moving back changes perspective relationships

## Changing the focal length versus changing the viewpoint

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- ◆ moving forward while shortening the focal length lets you keep objects at one depth the same size
- ◆ in cinematography, this is called the dolly-zoom, or “Vertigo effect”, after Alfred Hitchcock’s movie



### **Dolly-Zoom in Vertigo**

Tower at San Juan Batista

# Effect of focal length on portraits

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- ◆ standard “portrait lens” is 85mm



wide angle



standard



telephoto



# Recap

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- ◆ pinhole cameras compute correct linear perspectives
  - but dark
- ◆ lenses gather more light
  - but only one plane of scene is in focus
  - distance from lens to this plane is called the *focus distance*
  - change what's in focus by moving the sensor or lens
- ◆ *focal length* determines field of view
  - from wide angle to telephoto
  - depends on sensor size

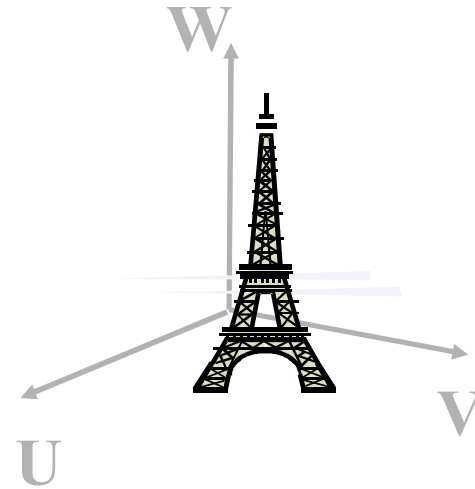
**Questions?**

Let's formalize mathematically...

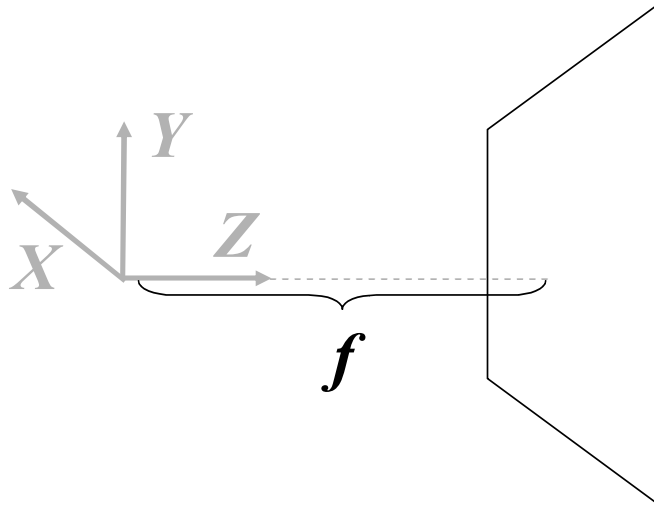
The goal now is to express the image formation process  
using a single **Projection Matrix**

# Imaging Geometry

**Object of Interest  
in World Coordinate  
System (U,V,W)**



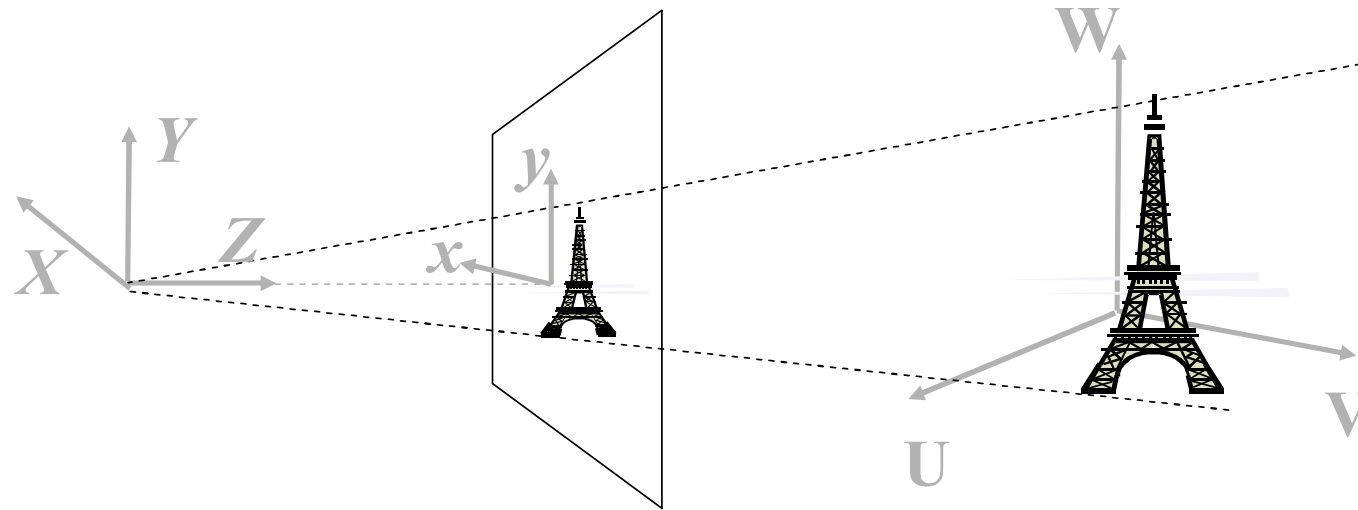
# Imaging Geometry



## Camera Coordinate System ( $X, Y, Z$ ).

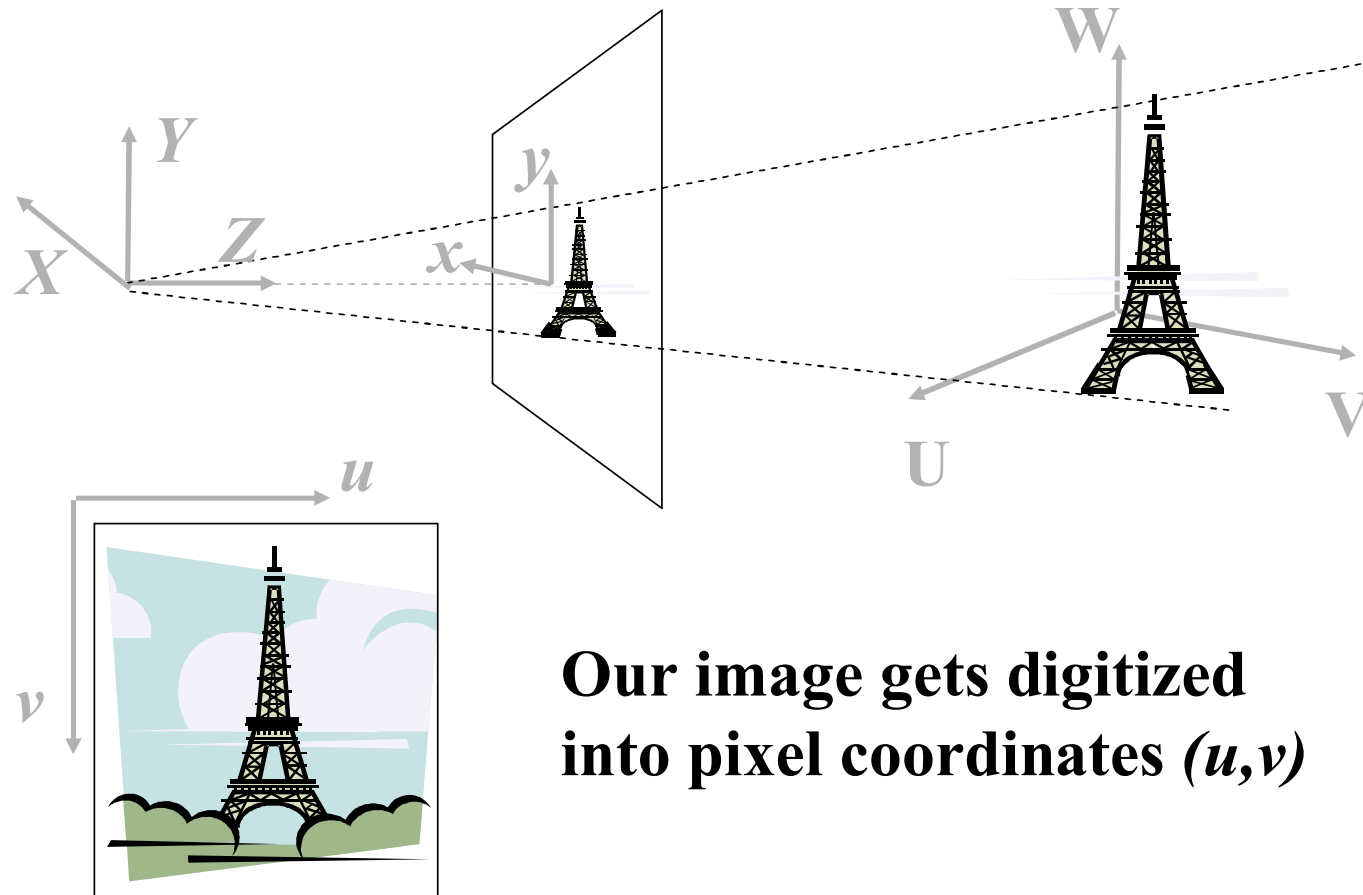
- $Z$  is optic axis
- Image plane located  $f$  units out along optic axis
- $f$  is called focal length

# Imaging Geometry



**Forward Projection onto image plane.  
3D  $(X, Y, Z)$  projected to 2D  $(x, y)$**

# Imaging Geometry

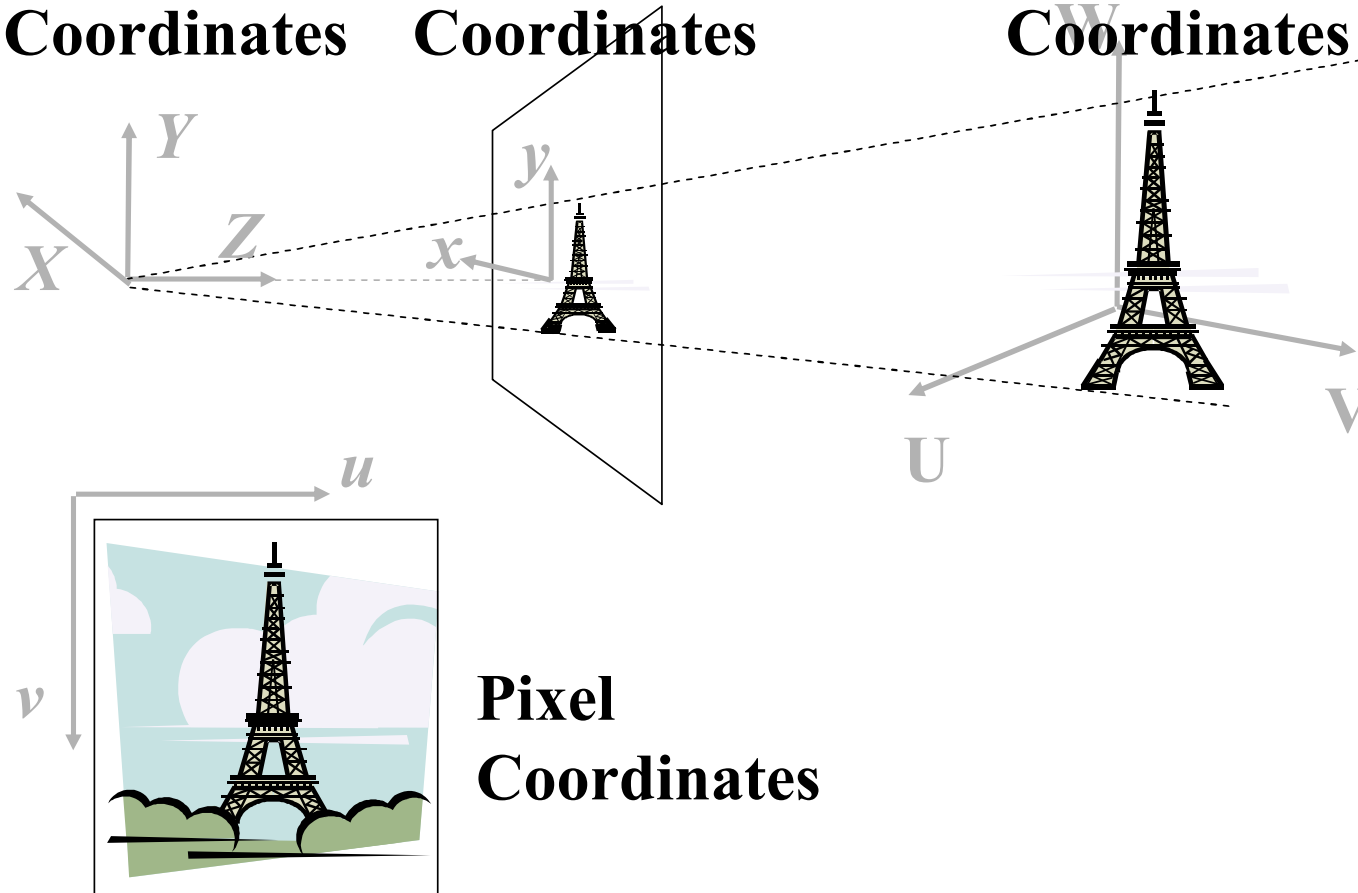


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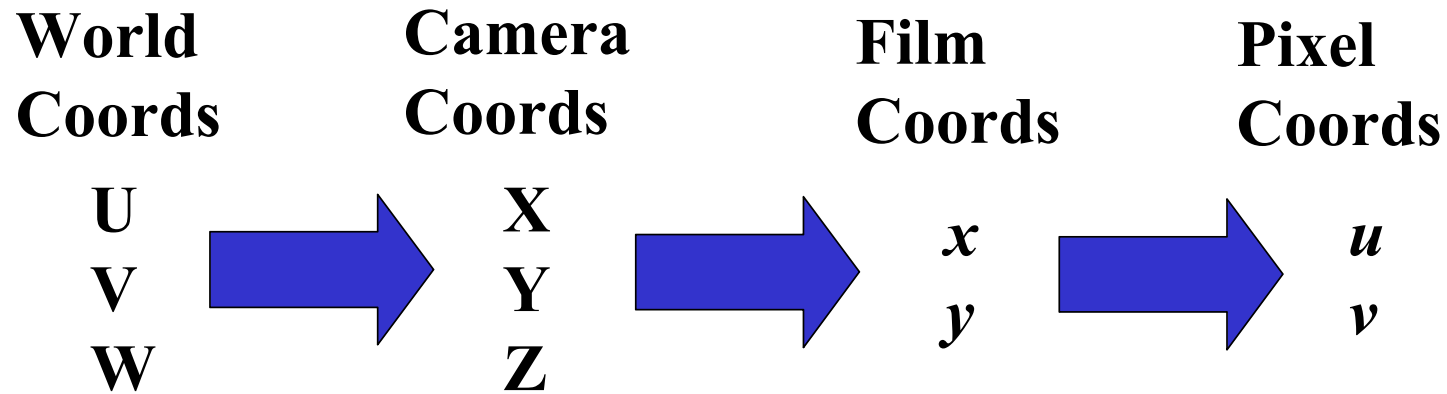
Camera  
Coordinates

Image (film)  
Coordinates

World  
Coordinates



# Forward Projection

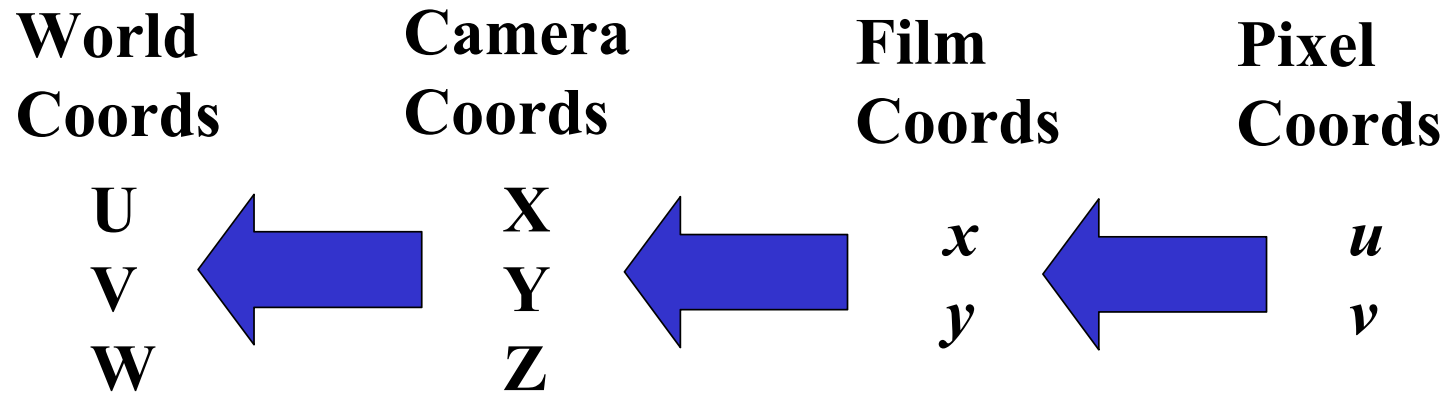


**We want a mathematical model to describe how 3D World points get projected into 2D Pixel coordinates.**

**Our goal: describe this sequence of transformations by a big matrix equation!**



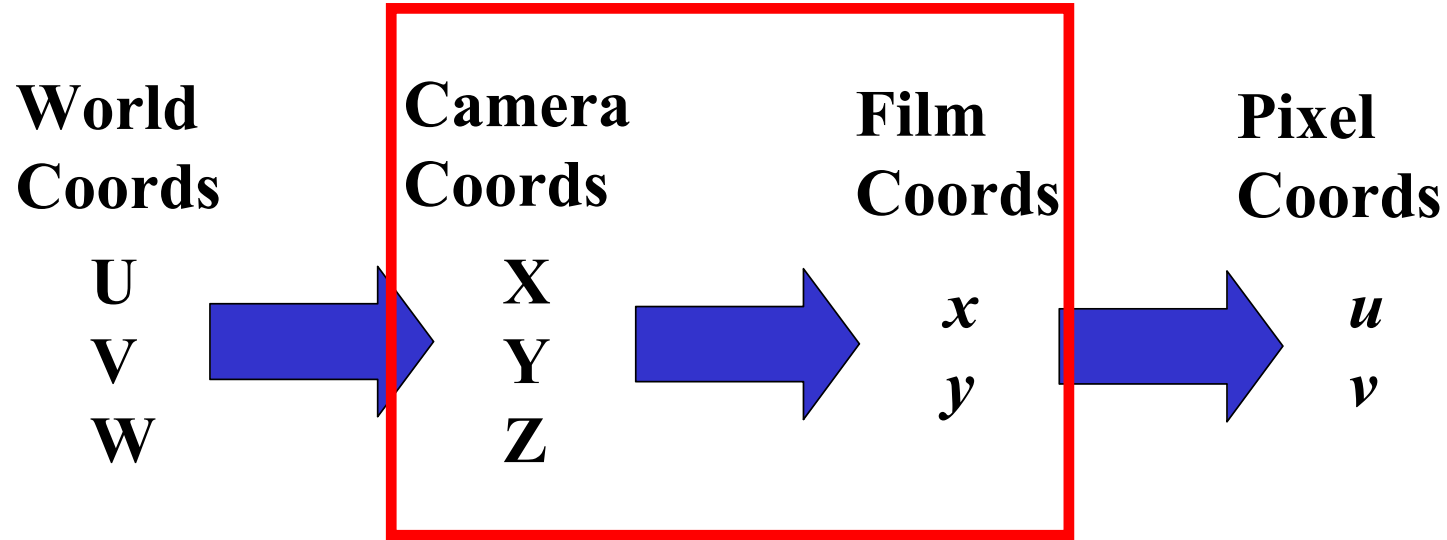
# Backward Projection



**Note, much of vision concerns trying to derive backward projection equations to recover 3D scene structure from images (via stereo or motion)**

**But first, we have to understand forward projection...**

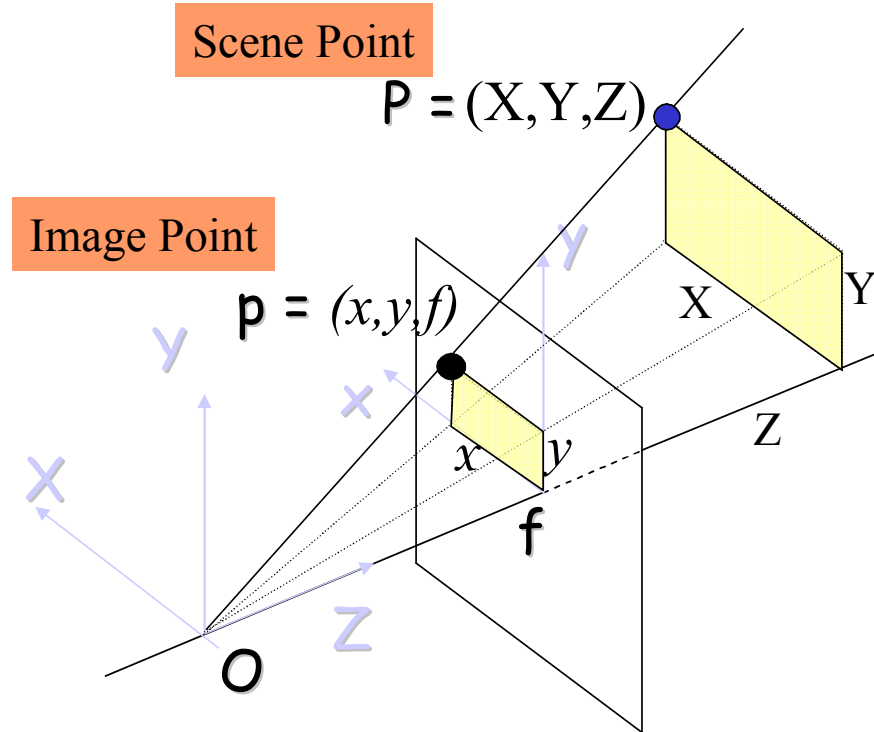
# Forward Projection



**3D-to-2D Projection**  
• perspective projection

We will start here in the middle, since we've already talked about this when discussing stereo.

# Basic Perspective Projection

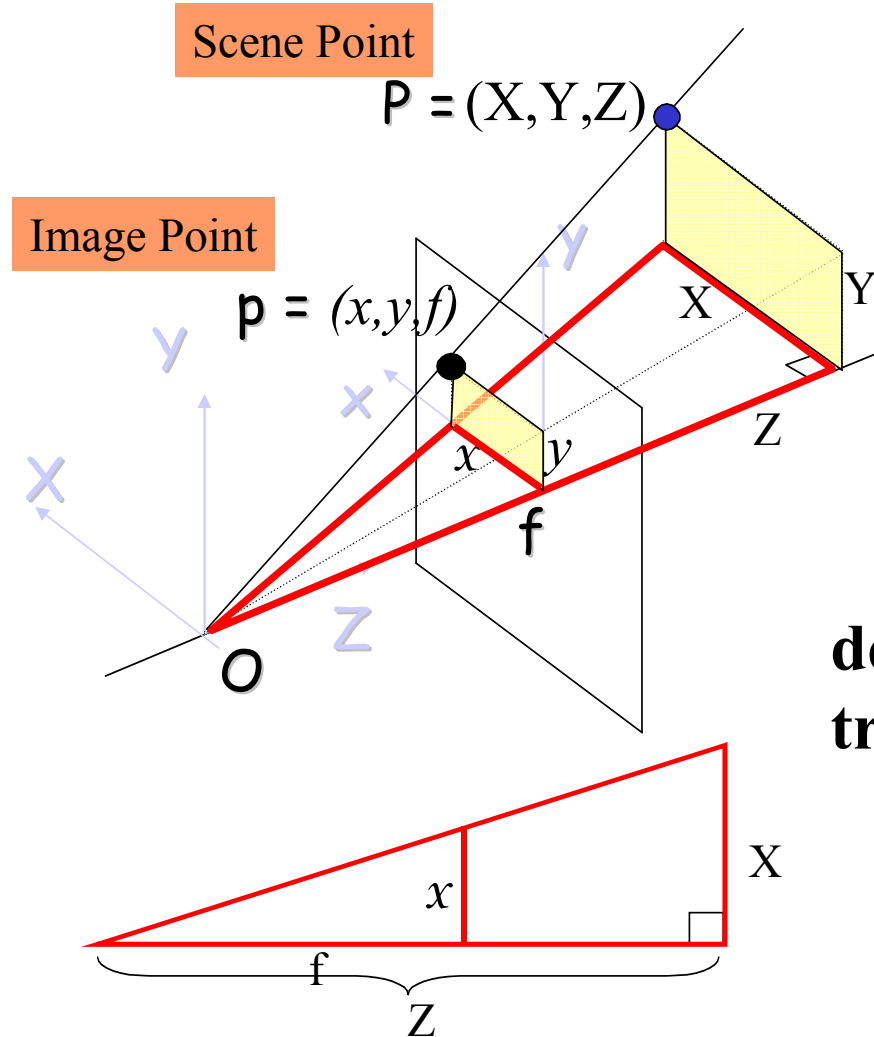


Perspective Projection Eqns

$$x = f \frac{X}{Z}$$

$$y = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$

# Basic Perspective Projection

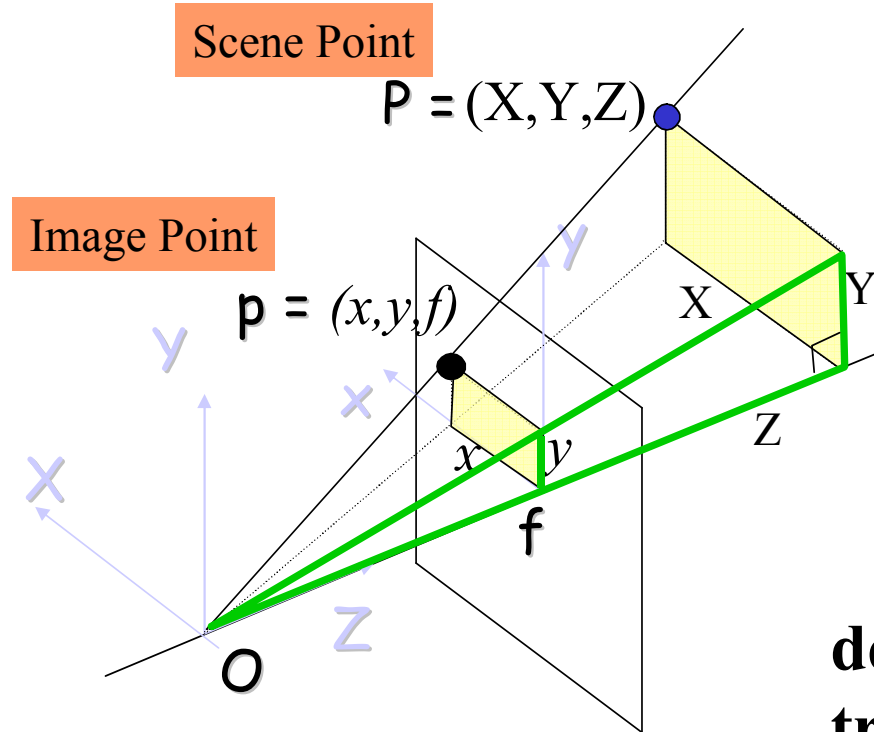


Perspective Projection Eqns

$$x = f \frac{X}{Z}$$
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derived via similar triangles rule

# Basic Perspective Projection



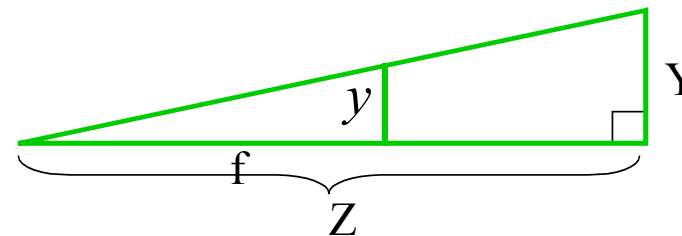
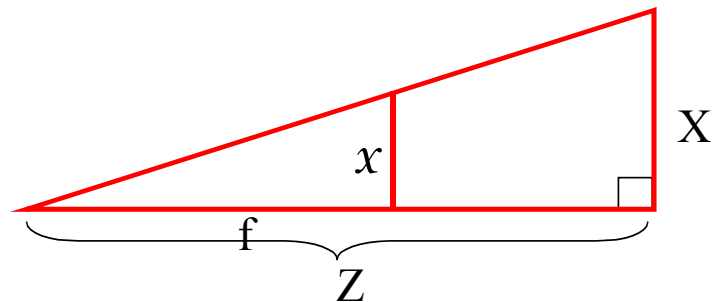
Scene Point

Perspective Projection Eqns

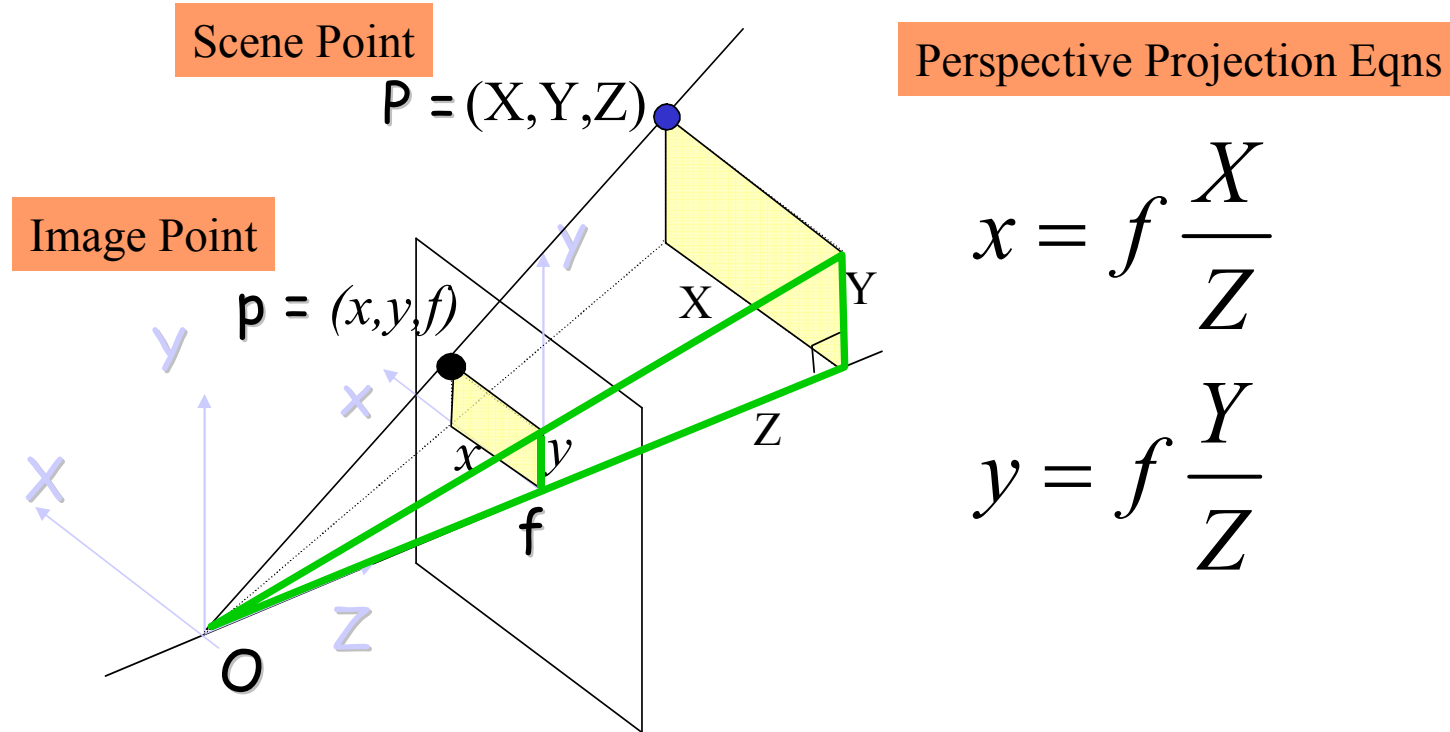
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derived via similar triangles rule



# Basic Perspective Projection



**So how do we represent this as a matrix equation?  
We need to introduce homogeneous coordinates.**

# Homogeneous Coordinates

Represent a 2D point  $(x,y)$  by a 3D point  $(x',y',z')$  by adding a “fictitious” third coordinate.

By convention, we specify that given  $(x',y',z')$  we can recover the 2D point  $(x,y)$  as

$$x = \frac{x'}{z'} \quad y = \frac{y'}{z'}$$

Note:  $(x,y) = (x,y,1) = (2x, 2y, 2) = (k x, k y, k)$   
for any nonzero  $k$  (can be negative as well as positive)

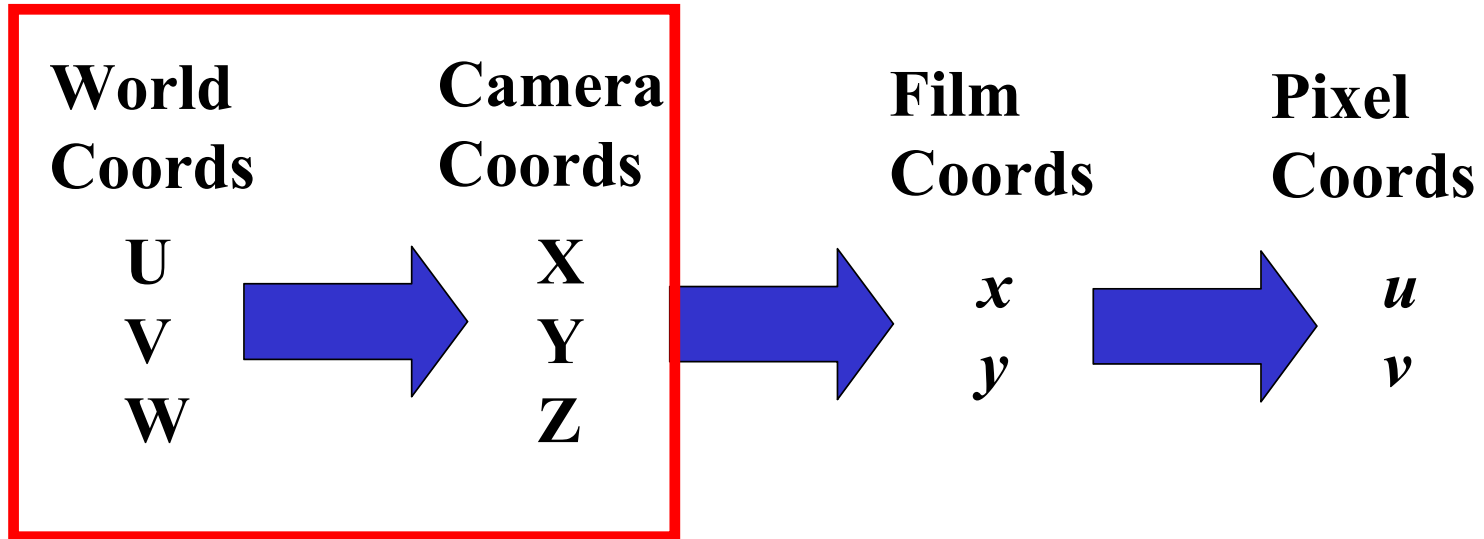
# Perspective Matrix Equation

(in Camera Coordinates)

$$\begin{aligned} x &= f \frac{X}{Z} \\ y &= f \frac{Y}{Z} \end{aligned} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

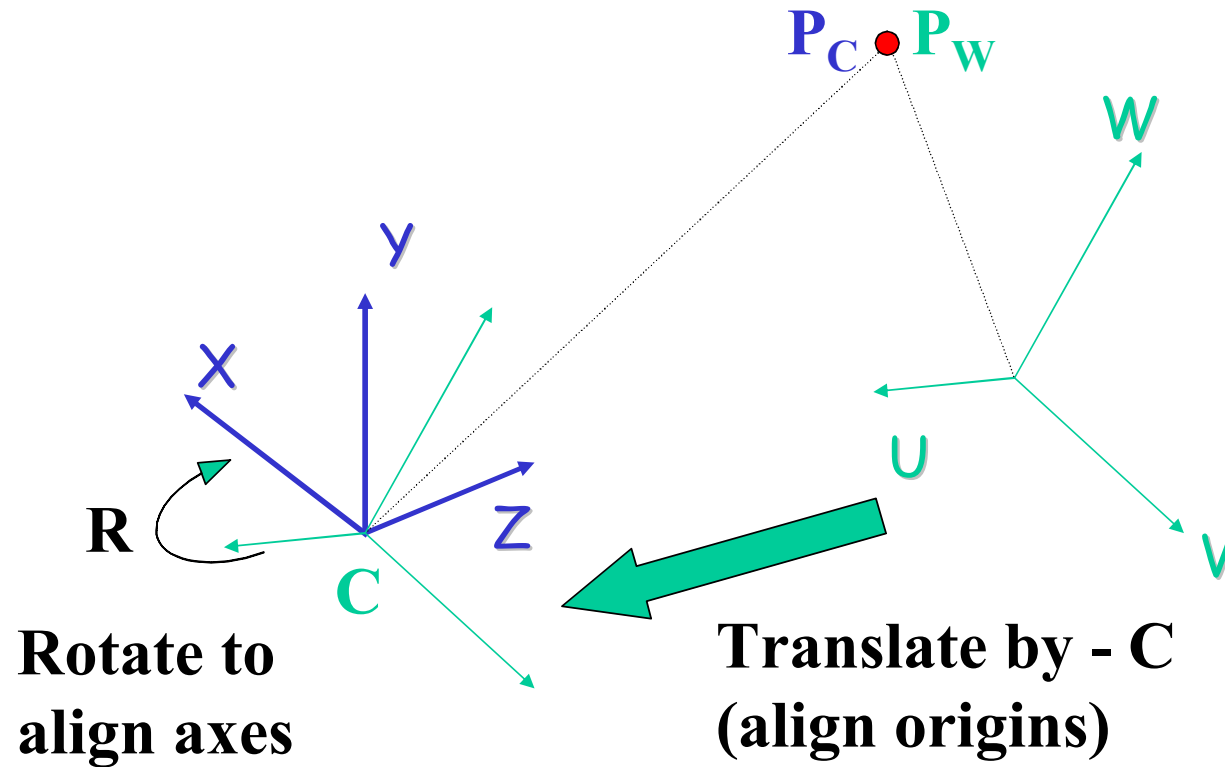


# Forward Projection



**Rigid Transformation (rotation+translation)  
between world and camera coordinate systems**

# World to Camera Transformation



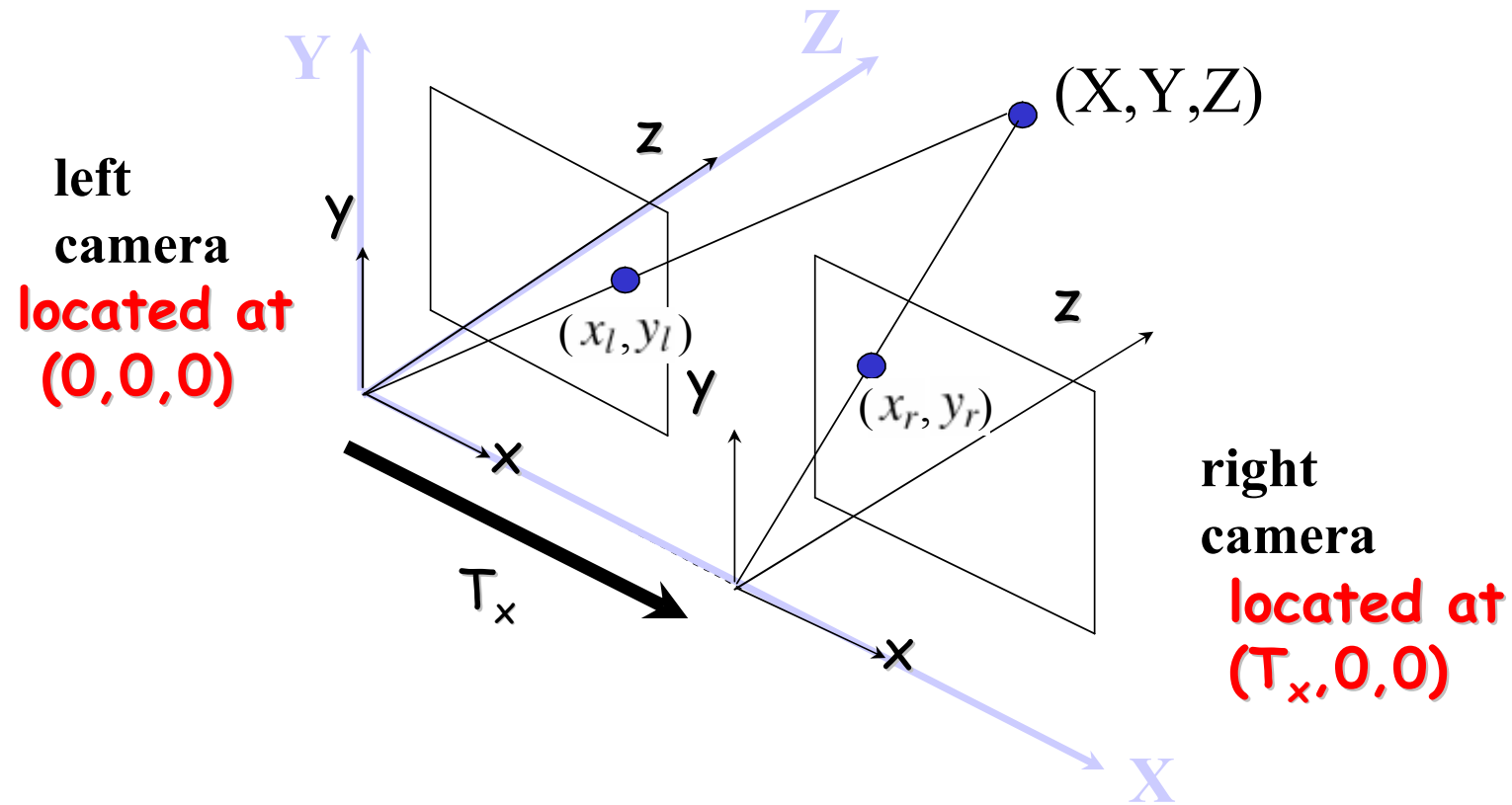
$$P_C = R ( P_W - C )$$

# Matrix Form, Homogeneous Coords

$$\mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{R} (\mathbf{P}_W - \mathbf{C})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -c_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -c_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Example: Simple Stereo System



Left camera located at world origin  $(0,0,0)$   
and camera axes aligned with world coord axes.

# Simple Stereo, Left Camera

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & 0 \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & 0 \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**camera axes aligned  
with world axes**

**located at world  
position (0,0,0)**

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Simple Stereo, Right Camera

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -T_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

camera axes aligned  
with world axes

located at world  
position  $(T_x, 0, 0)$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -T_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Simple Stereo Projection Equations

## Left camera

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_l \\ y_l \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_l = f \frac{X}{Z} \quad y_l = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$

## Right camera

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_r \\ y_r \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -T_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_r = f \frac{X - T_x}{Z} \quad y_r = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$

## Bob's sure-fire way(s) to figure out the rotation

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cancel{1} & 0 & 0 & \cancel{-e_x} \\ \text{forget about this} \\ \text{while thinking} \\ \text{about rotations} \\ \cancel{0} & 0 & 0 & \cancel{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P}_W$$

This equation says how vectors in the world coordinate system (including the coordinate axes) get transformed into the camera coordinate system.



# Figuring out Rotations

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P}_W$$

what if world x axis (1,0,0) corresponds to camera axis (a,b,c)?

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{c} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{c} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ \mathbf{b} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ \mathbf{c} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can immediately write down the first column of R!

## Figuring out Rotations

Alternative approach: sometimes it is easier to specify what camera X, Y, or Z axis is in world coordinates. Then do rearrange the equation as follows.

$$\mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P}_W \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{P}_W \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{P}_W$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{21} & r_{31} & 0 \\ r_{12} & r_{22} & r_{32} & 0 \\ r_{13} & r_{23} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Figuring out Rotations

and likewise with world Y axis and world Z axis...

same axis in camera coords

axis is world coords

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

world X axis (1,0,0)  
in camera coords

world Y axis (0,1,0)  
in camera coords

world Z axis (0,0,1)  
in camera coords

# Figuring out Rotations

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camera X axis (1,0,0)  
in world coords

camera Y axis (0,1,0)  
in world coords

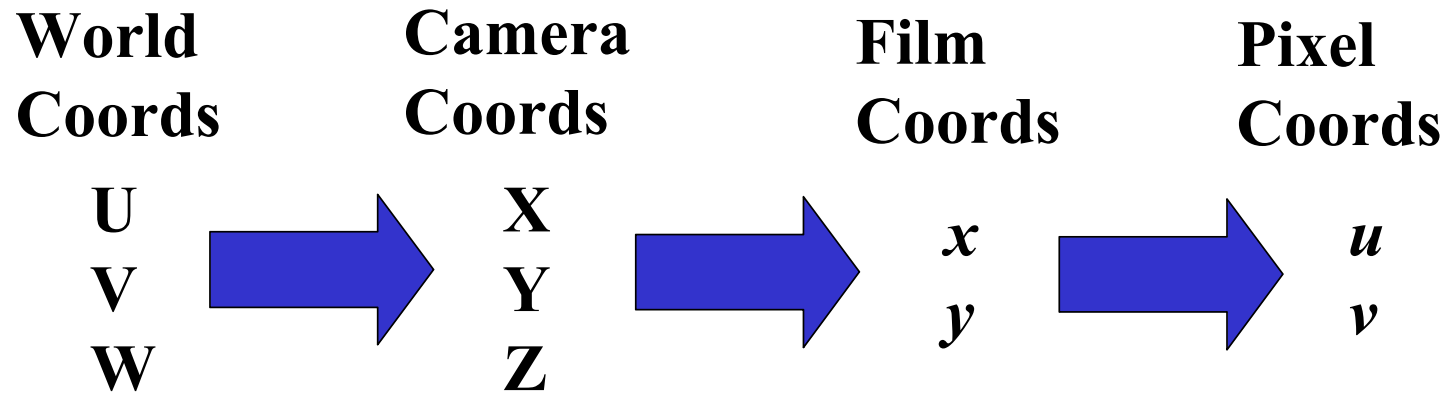
camera Z axis (0,0,1)  
in world coords

## Note: External Parameters also often written as R,T

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -c_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -c_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{R} (\mathbf{P}_W - \mathbf{C}) \\ &= \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P}_W - \mathbf{R} \mathbf{C} \\ &= \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P}_W + \mathbf{T} \end{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

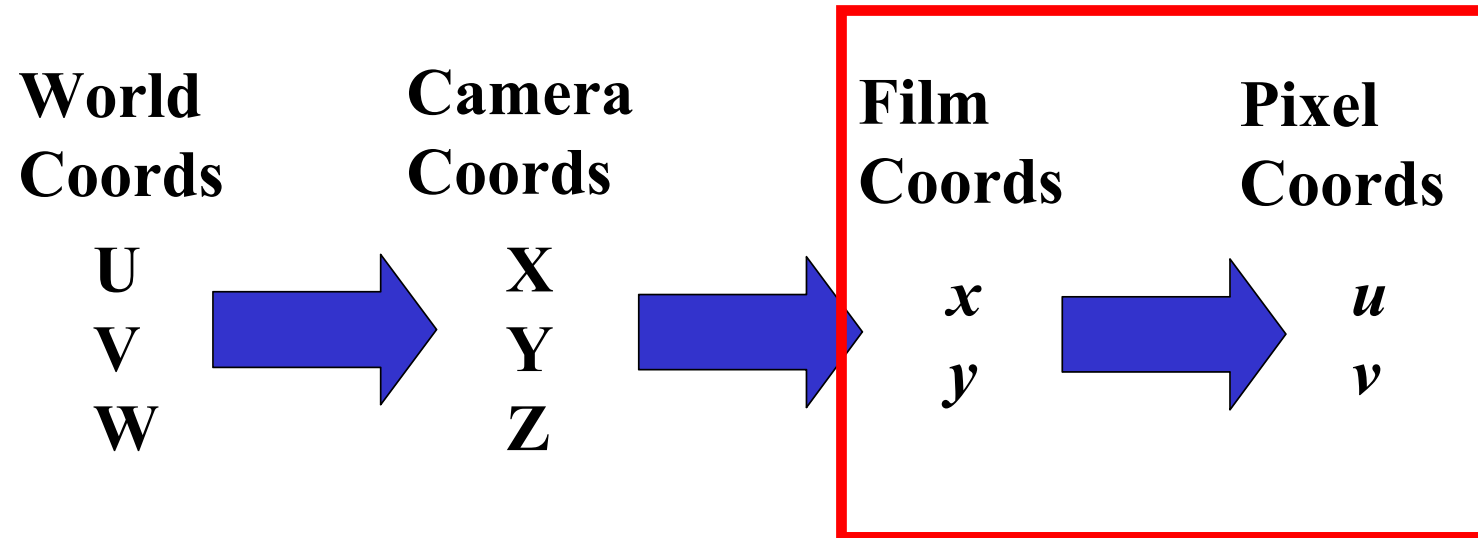
# Summary



**We now know how to transform 3D world coordinate points into camera coords, and then do perspective project to get 2D points in the film plane.**

**Next time: pixel coordinates**

# Intrinsic Camera Parameters



**Affine Transformation**

# Intrinsic parameters

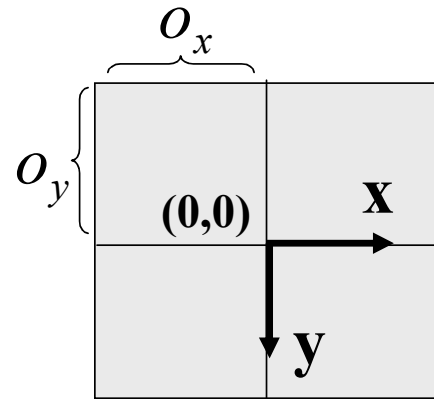
- Describes coordinate transformation between film coordinates (projected image) and pixel array
- Film cameras: scanning/digitization
- CCD cameras: grid of photosensors

still in T&V section 2.4

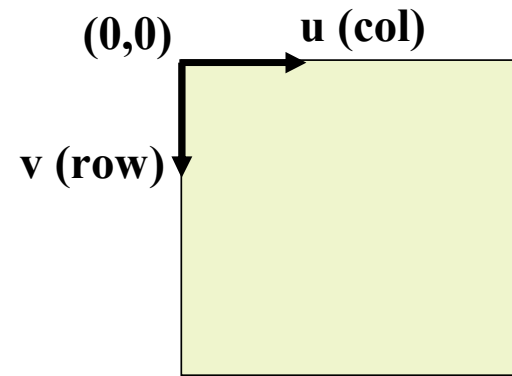


# Intrinsic parameters (offsets)

film plane  
(projected image)



pixel array

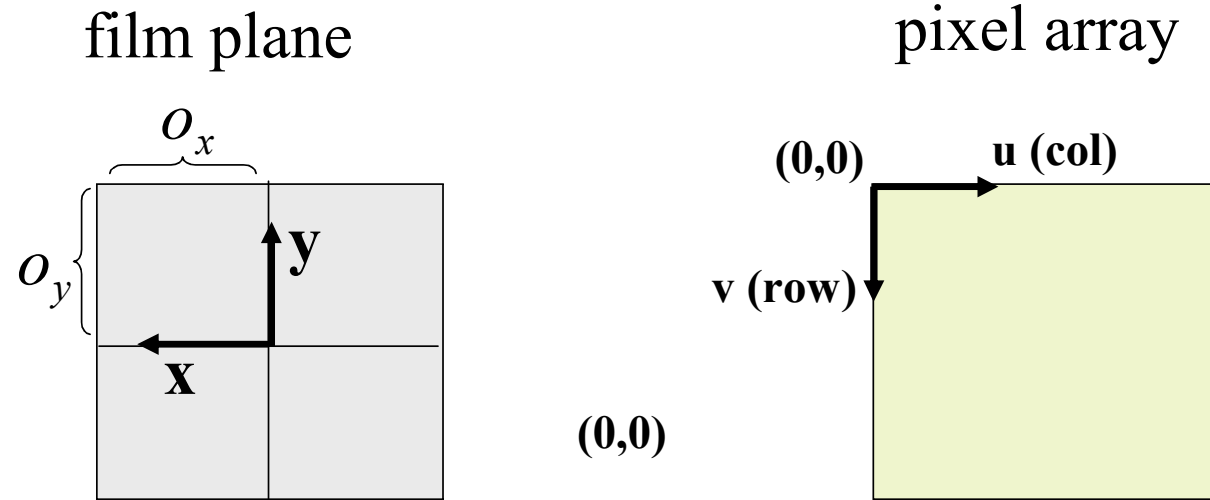


$$u = f \frac{X}{Z} + o_x \quad v = f \frac{Y}{Z} + o_y$$

$o_x$  and  $o_y$  called image center or principle point

# Intrinsic parameters

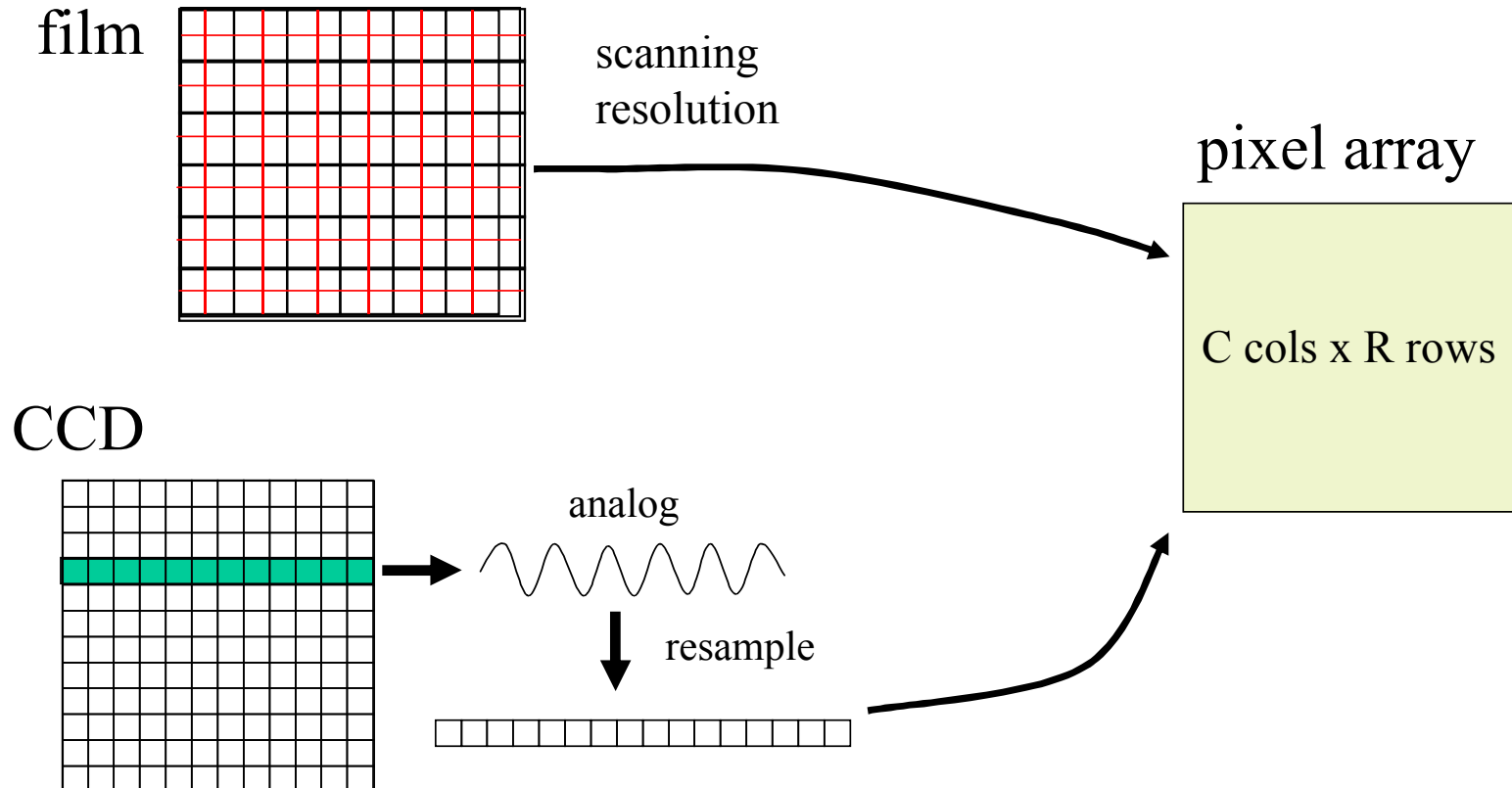
sometimes one or more coordinate axes are flipped (e.g. T&V section 2.4)



$$u = -f \frac{X}{Z} + o_x \quad v = -f \frac{Y}{Z} + o_y$$

# Intrinsic parameters (scales)

sampling determines how many rows/cols in the image



## Effective Scales: $s_x$ and $s_y$

$$u = \frac{1}{s_x} f \frac{X}{Z} + o_x \quad v = \frac{1}{s_y} f \frac{Y}{Z} + o_y$$

Note, since we have different scale factors in x and y, we don't necessarily have square pixels!

Aspect ratio is  $s_y / s_x$

# Perspective projection matrix

Adding the intrinsic parameters into the perspective projection matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f / s_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f / s_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To verify:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \frac{x'}{z'} \\ v &= \frac{y'}{z'} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} u &= \frac{1}{s_x} f \frac{X}{Z} + o_x \\ v &= \frac{1}{s_y} f \frac{Y}{Z} + o_y \end{aligned}$$

## Note:

Sometimes, the image and the camera coordinate systems have opposite orientations: [the book does it this way]

$$\begin{aligned} f \frac{X}{Z} &= -\overset{\downarrow}{(u - o_x)} s_x \\ f \frac{Y}{Z} &= -\overset{\downarrow}{(v - o_y)} s_y \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -f/s_x & 0 & +o_x & 0 \\ 0 & -f/s_y & +o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

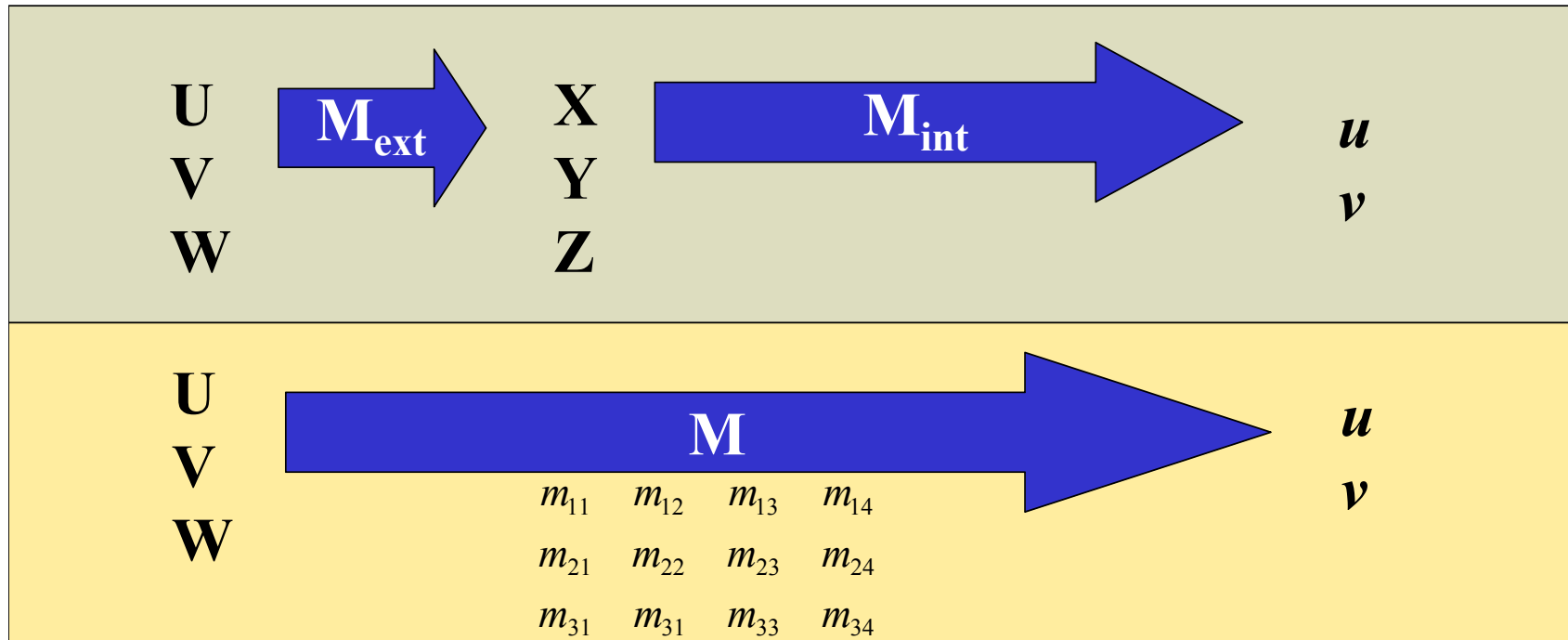
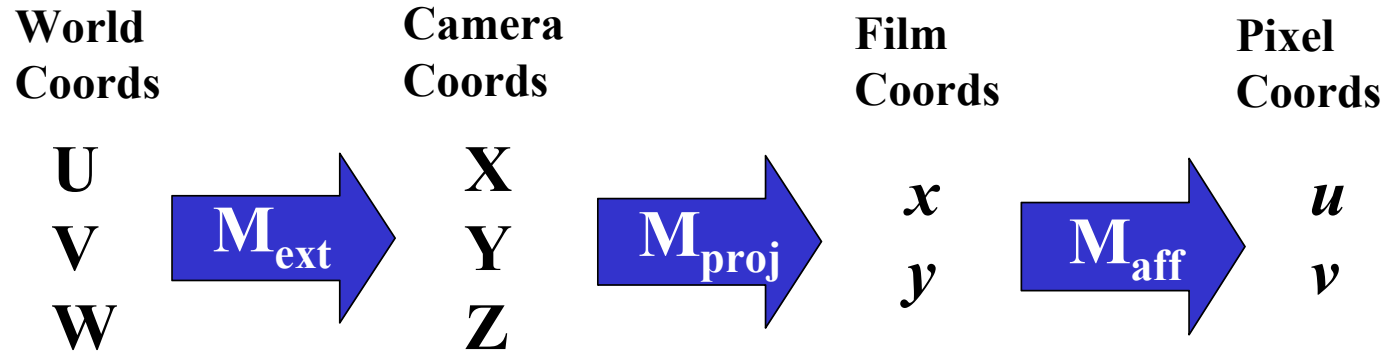
## Note 2

In general, I like to think of the conversion as a separate 2D affine transformation from film coords  $(x,y)$  to pixel coordinates  $(u,v)$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{M}_{\text{aff}}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{M}_{\text{proj}}} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{M}_{\text{int}} \mathbf{P}_C = \mathbf{M}_{\text{aff}} \mathbf{M}_{\text{proj}} \mathbf{P}_C$$

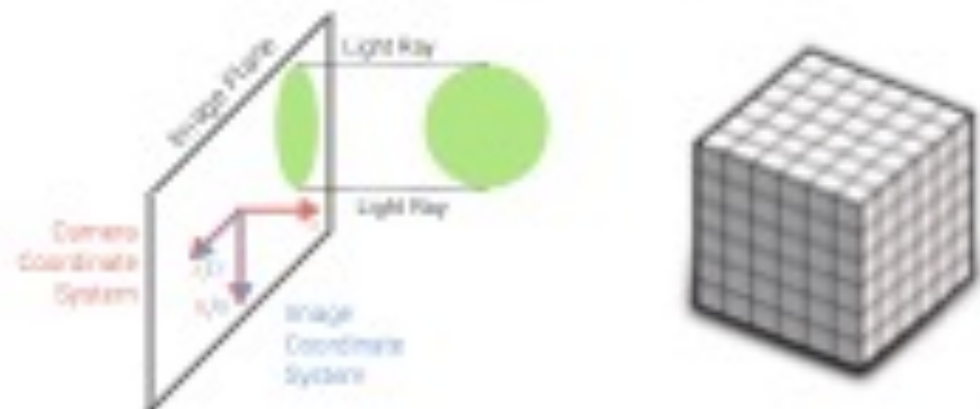
# Summary : Forward Projection



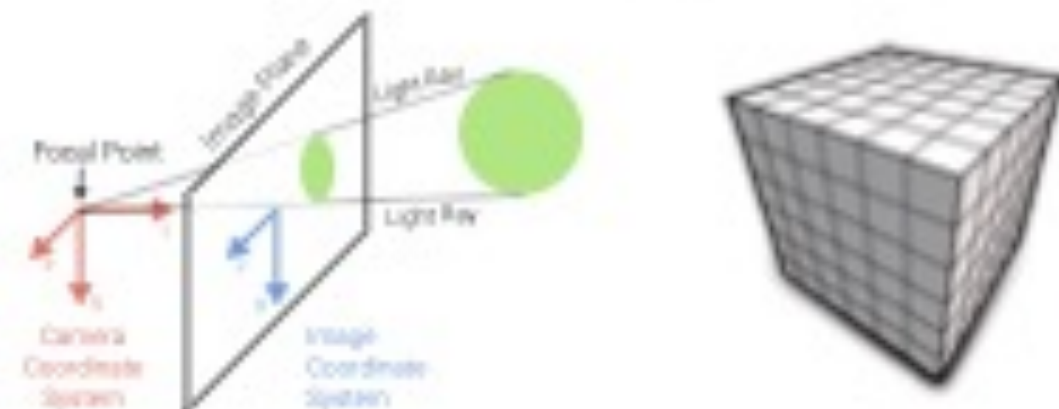


# Projection Models

## Orthographic Projection



## Perspective Projection



Opto Engineering Telecentric Lens



Canon 800mm Telephoto Lens



Nikon AF-S Nikkor 50mm

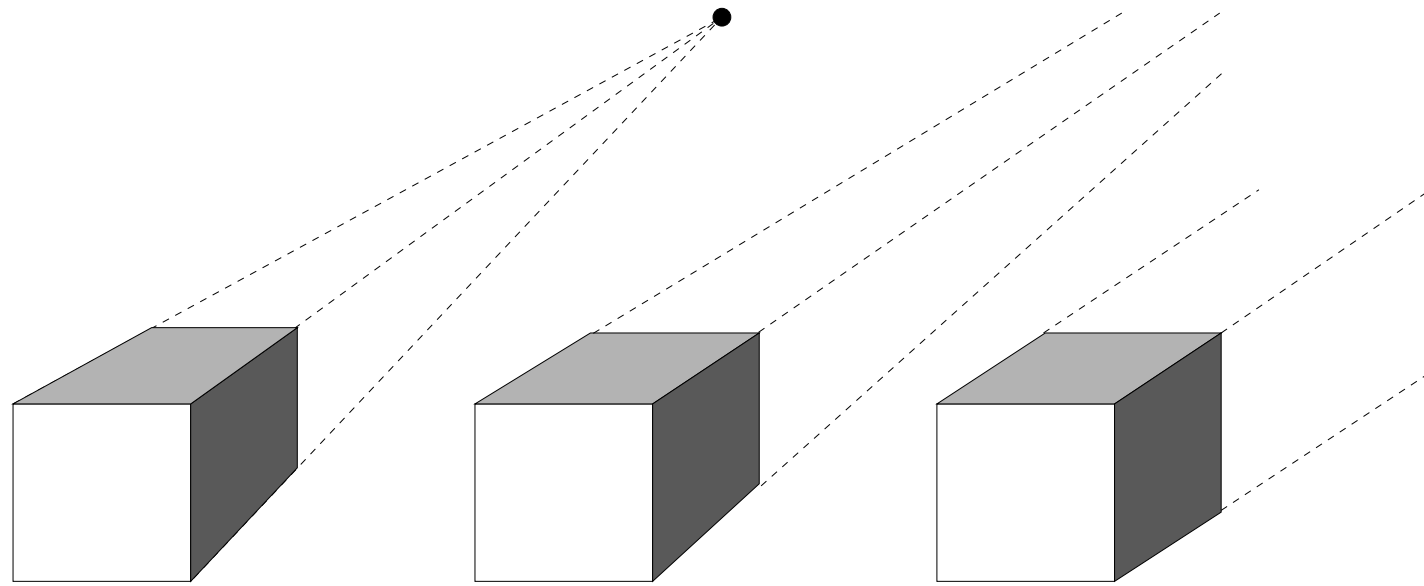


Sony DSC-RX100 V



Samsung Galaxy S20

# Projection Models



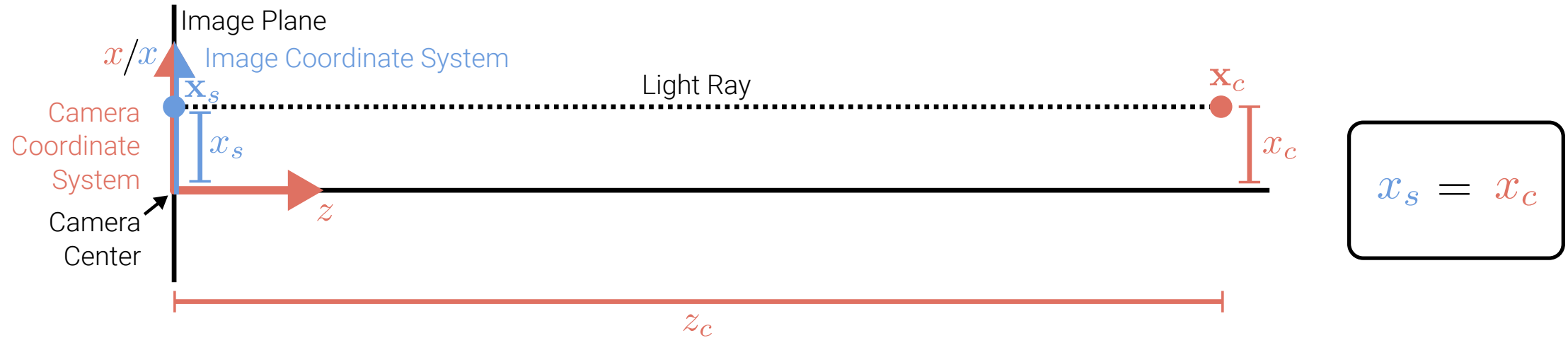
Perspective

Weak Perspective /Orthographic

Increasing Focal Length / Distance from Camera



# Orthographic Projection



**Orthographic projection** of a 3D point  $\mathbf{x}_c \in \mathbb{R}^3$  to pixel coordinates  $\mathbf{x}_s \in \mathbb{R}^2$ :

- ▶ The  $x$  and  $y$  axes of the camera and image coordinate systems are shared
- ▶ Light rays are parallel to the  $z$ -coordinate of the camera coordinate system
- ▶ During projection, the  $z$ -coordinate is dropped,  $x$  and  $y$  remain the same
- ▶ Remark: the  $y$  coordinate is not shown here for clarity, but behaves similarly

# Scaled Orthographic Projection

In practice, world coordinates (which may measure dimensions in meters) must be scaled to fit onto an image sensor (measuring in pixels)  $\Rightarrow$  **scaled orthography**:

$$\mathbf{x}_s = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_c \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \bar{\mathbf{x}}_s = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_c$$

Remark: The unit for  $s$  is px/m or px/mm to convert metric 3D points into pixels.

Under orthography, structure and motion can be estimated simultaneously using factorization methods (e.g., via singular value decomposition).

# Slide Credits

- Marc Levoy – Digital photography course at Stanford
- Robert Collins – Computer Vision at Penn. State University
- Andreas Geiger – Computer Vision at University of Tübingen