
Perspective Transformations

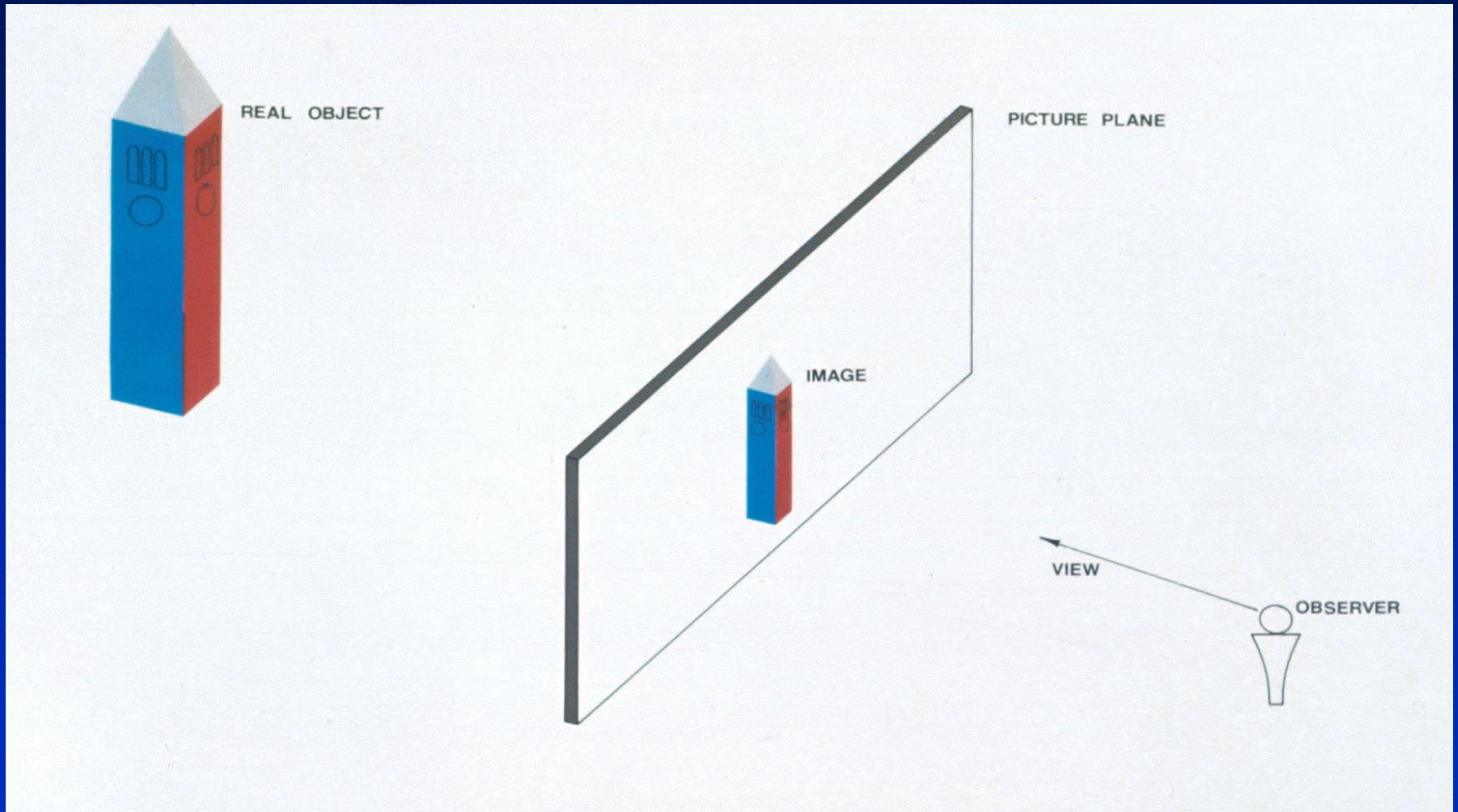
Visual Imaging in the Electronic Age

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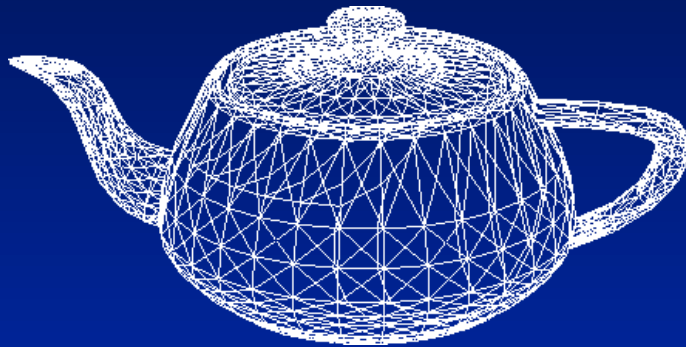
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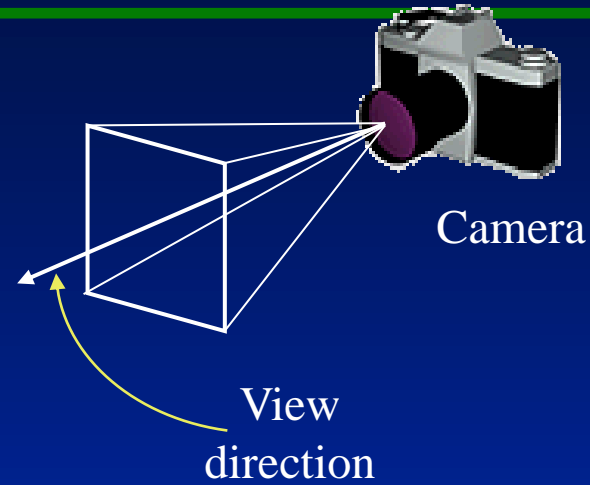
Perspective Image Generation



Camera Definition



Model



The camera location, view direction, and frustum must be defined relative to the object.

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- We have seen how a pinhole camera (or camera obscura) works
 - We have also seen Brunelleschi's experiment with his perspective panels
 - Both pictures are obviously two dimensional and exist on a planar (flat) surface

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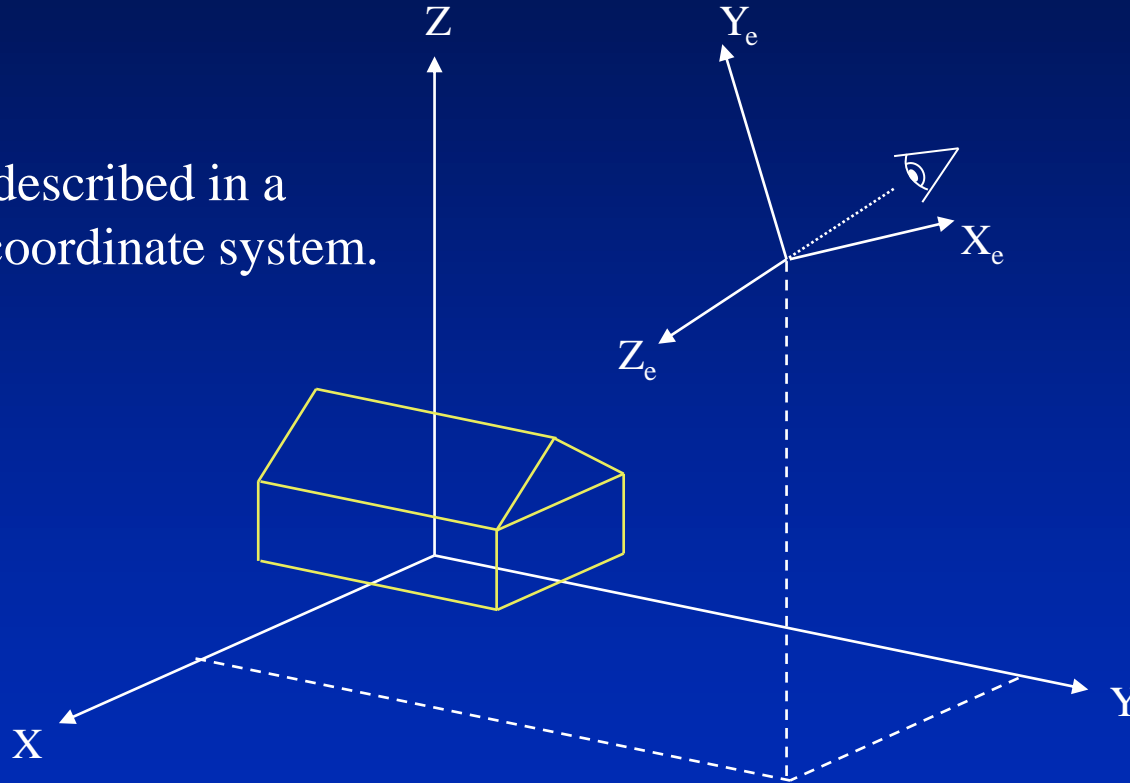


Brunelleschi's Experiment

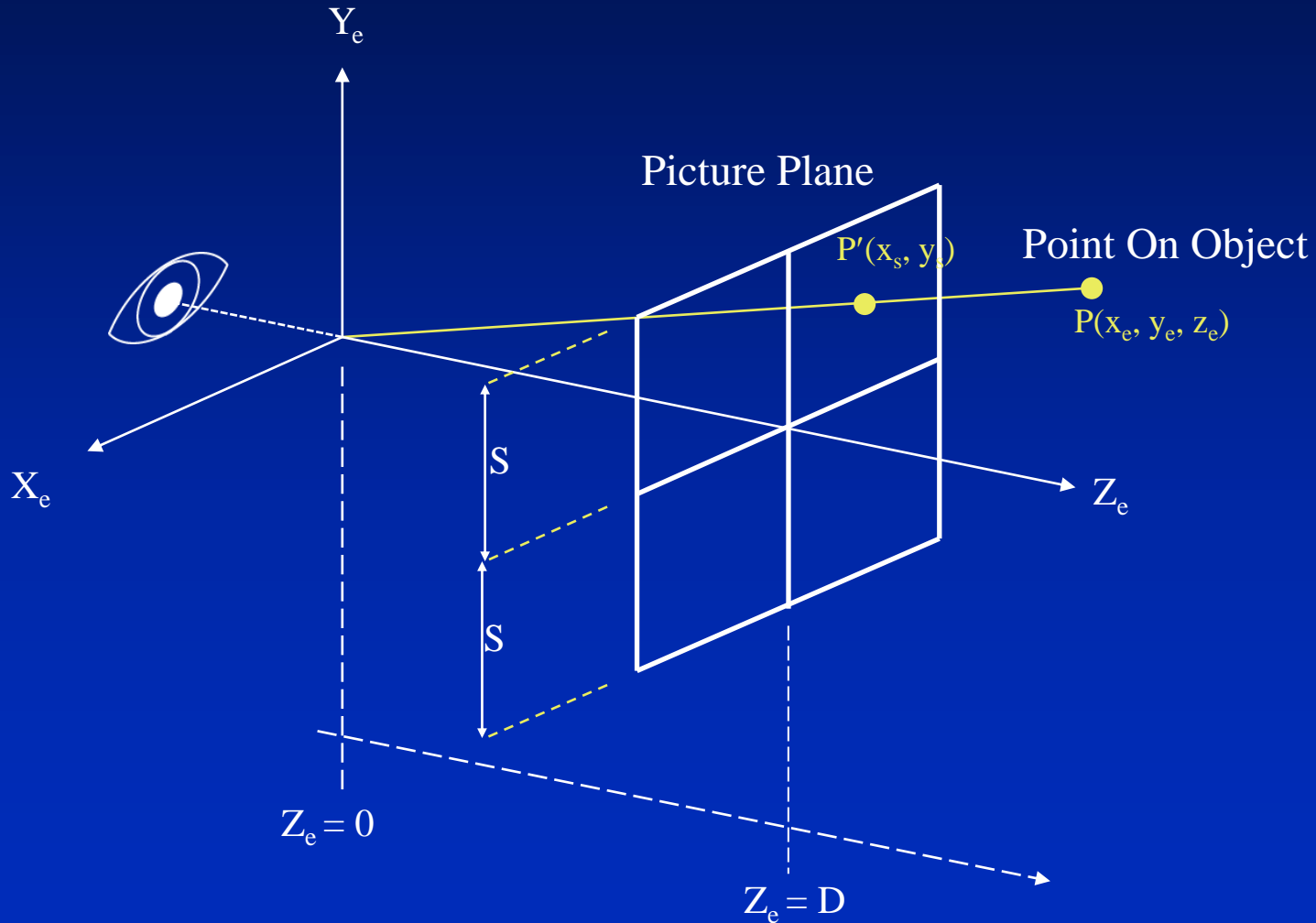


Eye Coordinate System

The model is described in a right handed coordinate system.



Simple Perspective Transformation



Simple Perspective Transformation

$$\frac{x_s}{D} = \frac{x_e}{z_e}, \quad \frac{y_s}{D} = \frac{y_e}{z_e}$$
$$x_s = \frac{Dx_e}{z_e}, \quad y_s = \frac{Dy_e}{z_e}$$

To convert to a dimensionless fraction, can divide by the window size S .

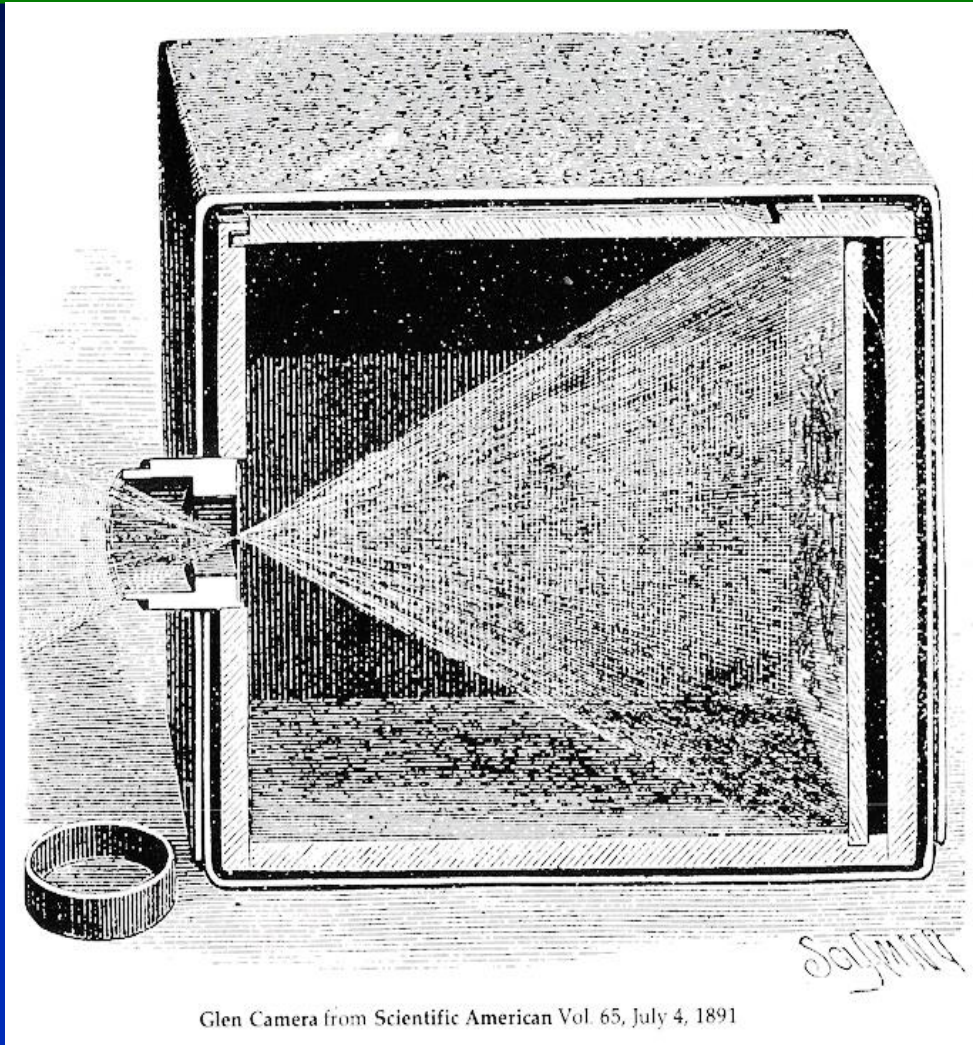
$$x_s = \frac{Dx_e}{Sz_e}, \quad y_s = \frac{Dy_e}{Sz_e}$$

End of Review

Perspective Depth

- We now know how to mathematically (and geometrically) construct the perspective image. (e.g., x_s , y_s)
- But how do we find the third dimension (z_s)?

Pinhole Camera



Note that the entire image through the pinhole is totally in focus on a single image plane.

Are camera images two-dimensional?

The image is recorded on a flat piece of film, or today, a digital sensor.

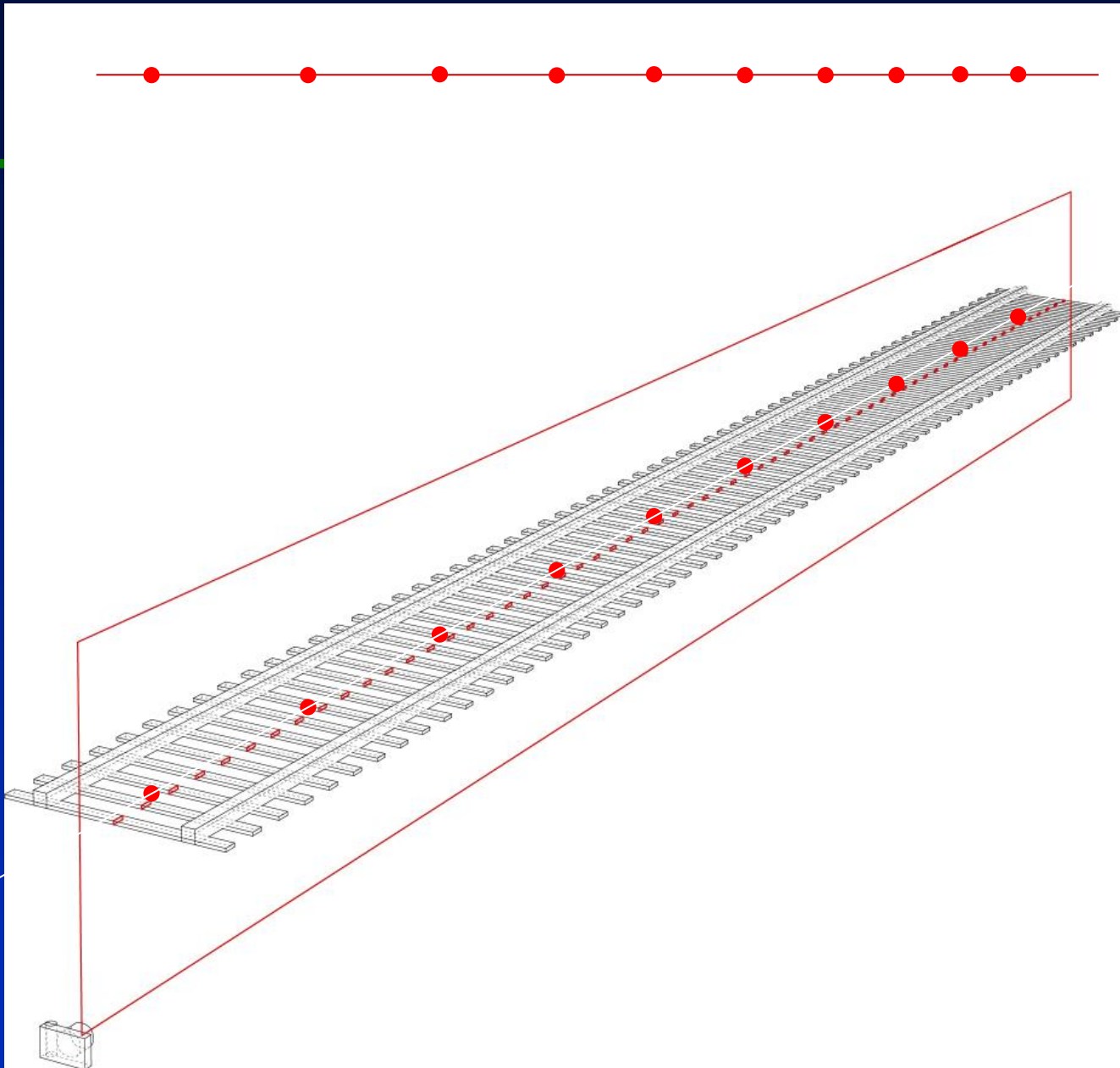
What is the difference between a pinhole camera and camera lens?

How a Camera Lens Works

- Rays which pass through the focal point are bent to leave the lens perpendicular to its principal axis.



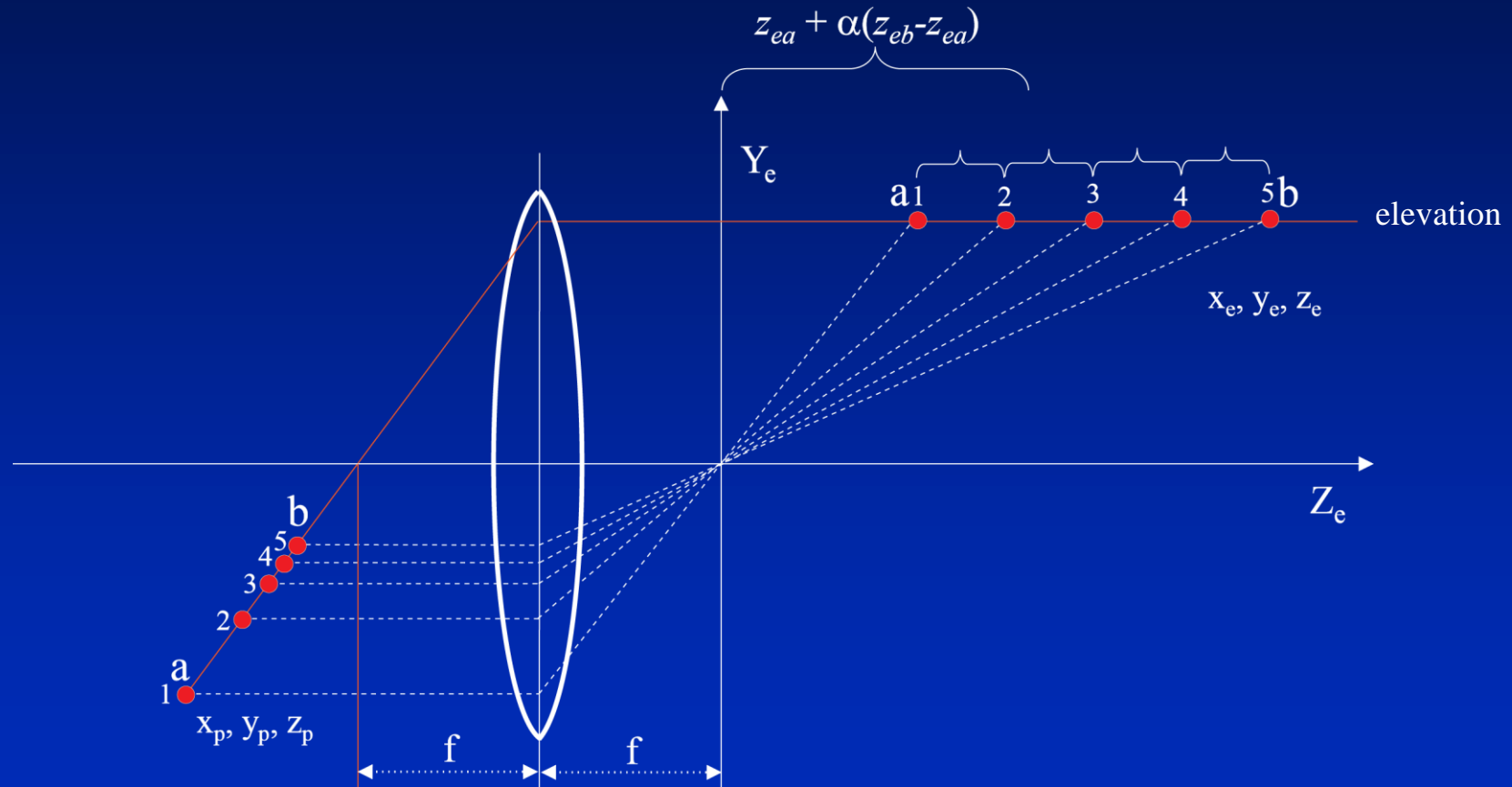
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- Points equally spaced in a real environment are not equally spaced after perspective transformations.



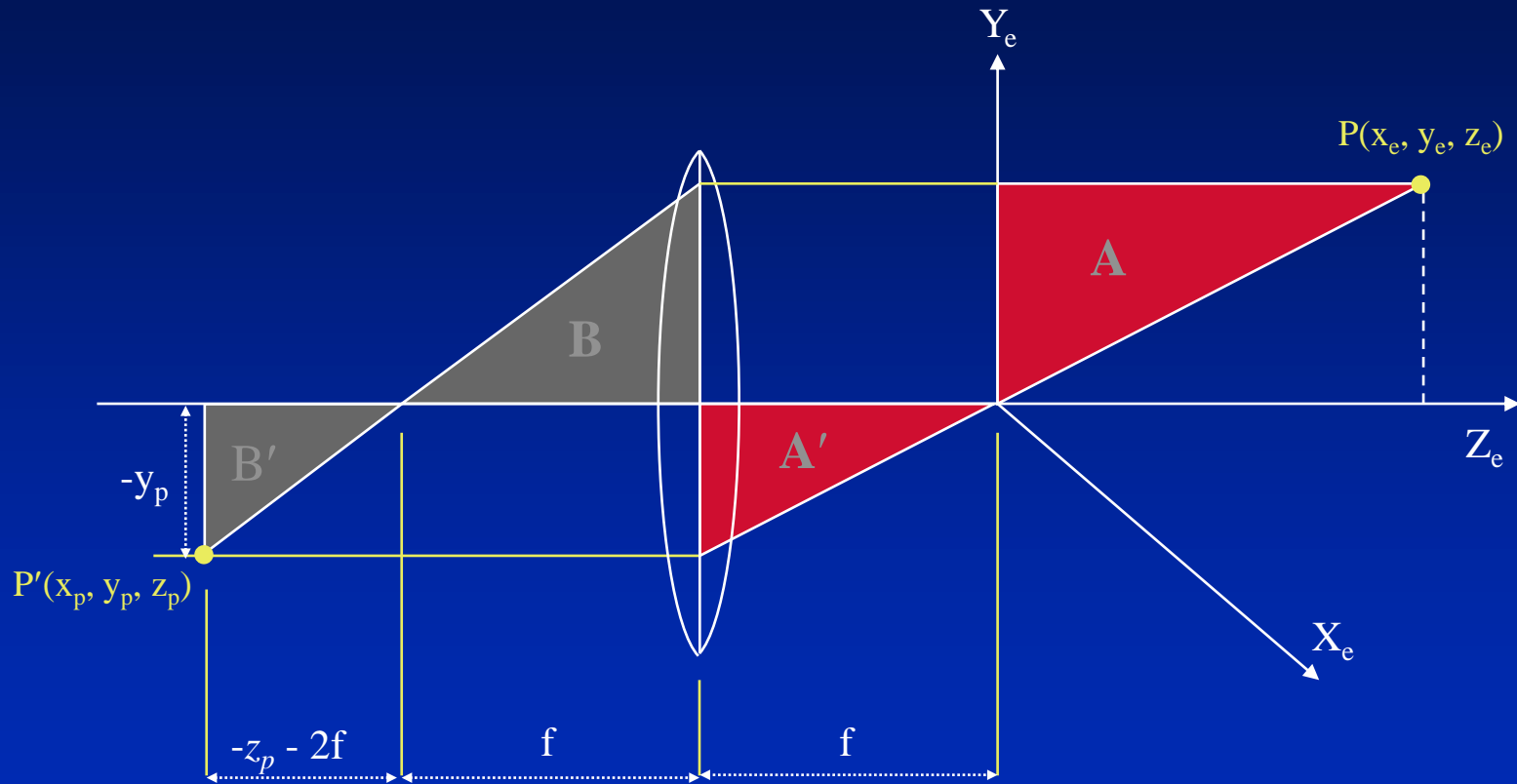
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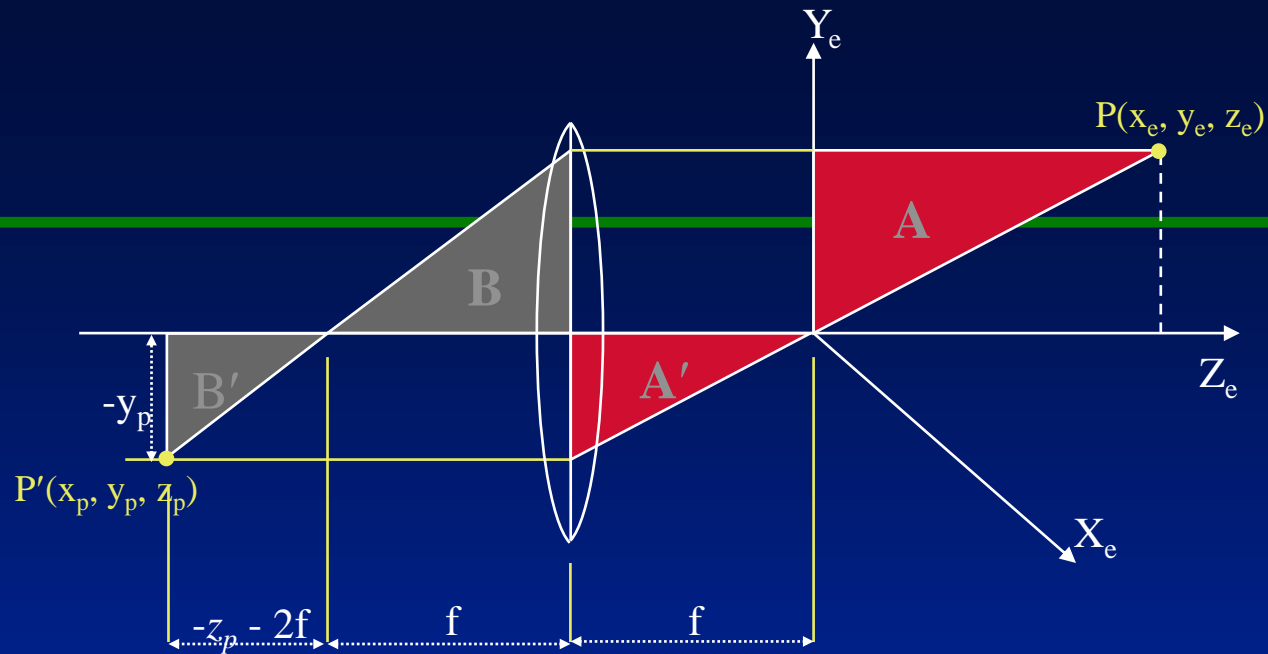
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- Rays which are perpendicular to the principal axis of the lens are bent through the focal point.

Railroad Tracks in Perspective



How a Camera Lens Works





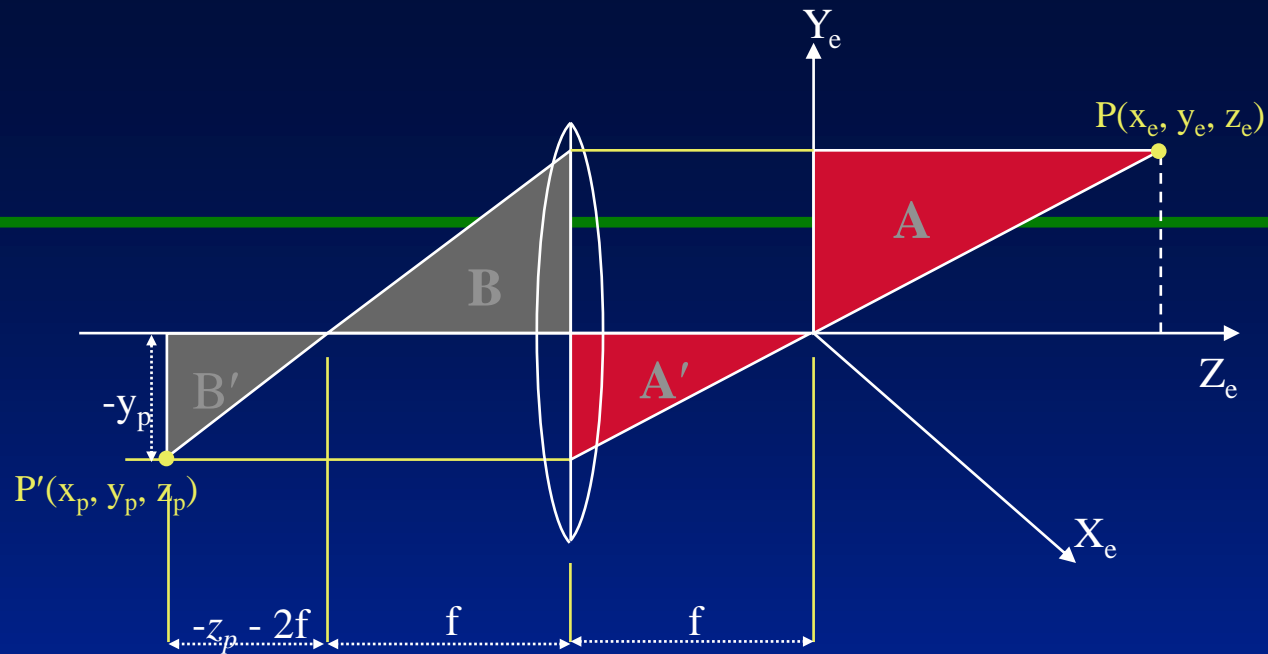
Using triangles A and A':

$$\frac{-y_p}{f} = \frac{y_e}{z_e}, \quad \frac{-x_p}{f} = \frac{x_e}{z_e}$$

Using triangles B and B':

$$\frac{y_e}{f} = \frac{-y_p}{-z_p - 2f}$$

$$\therefore x_p = -f \frac{x_e}{z_e}, \quad y_p = -f \frac{y_e}{z_e}$$

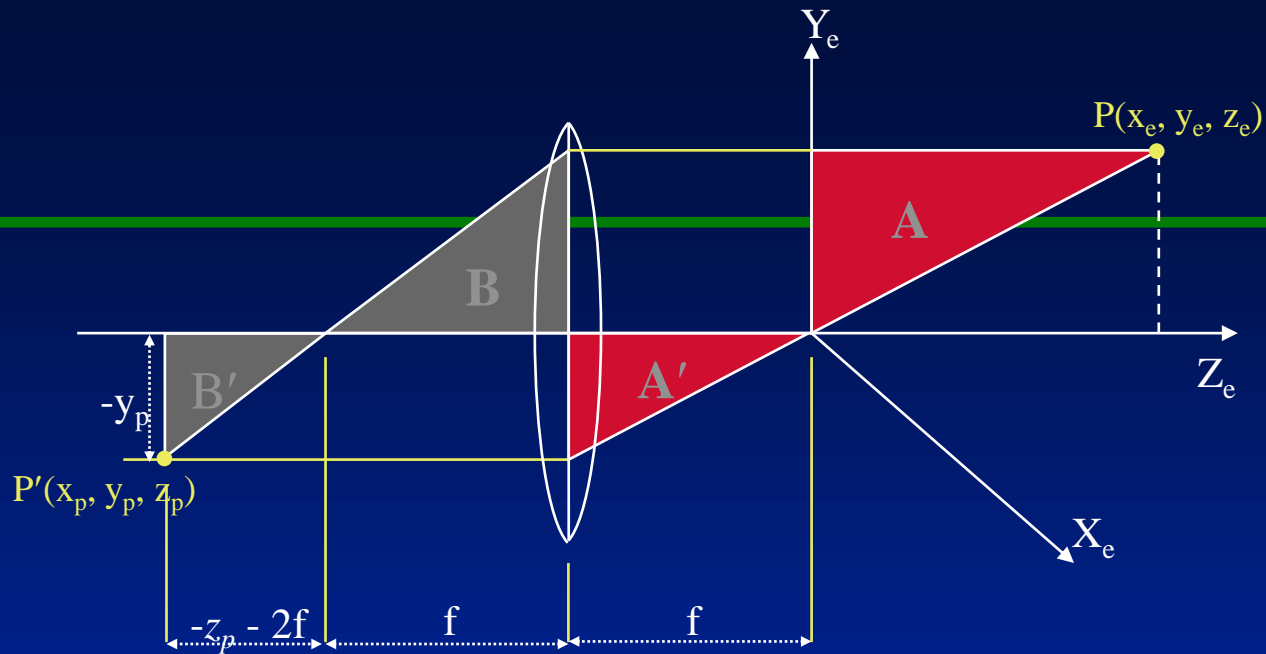


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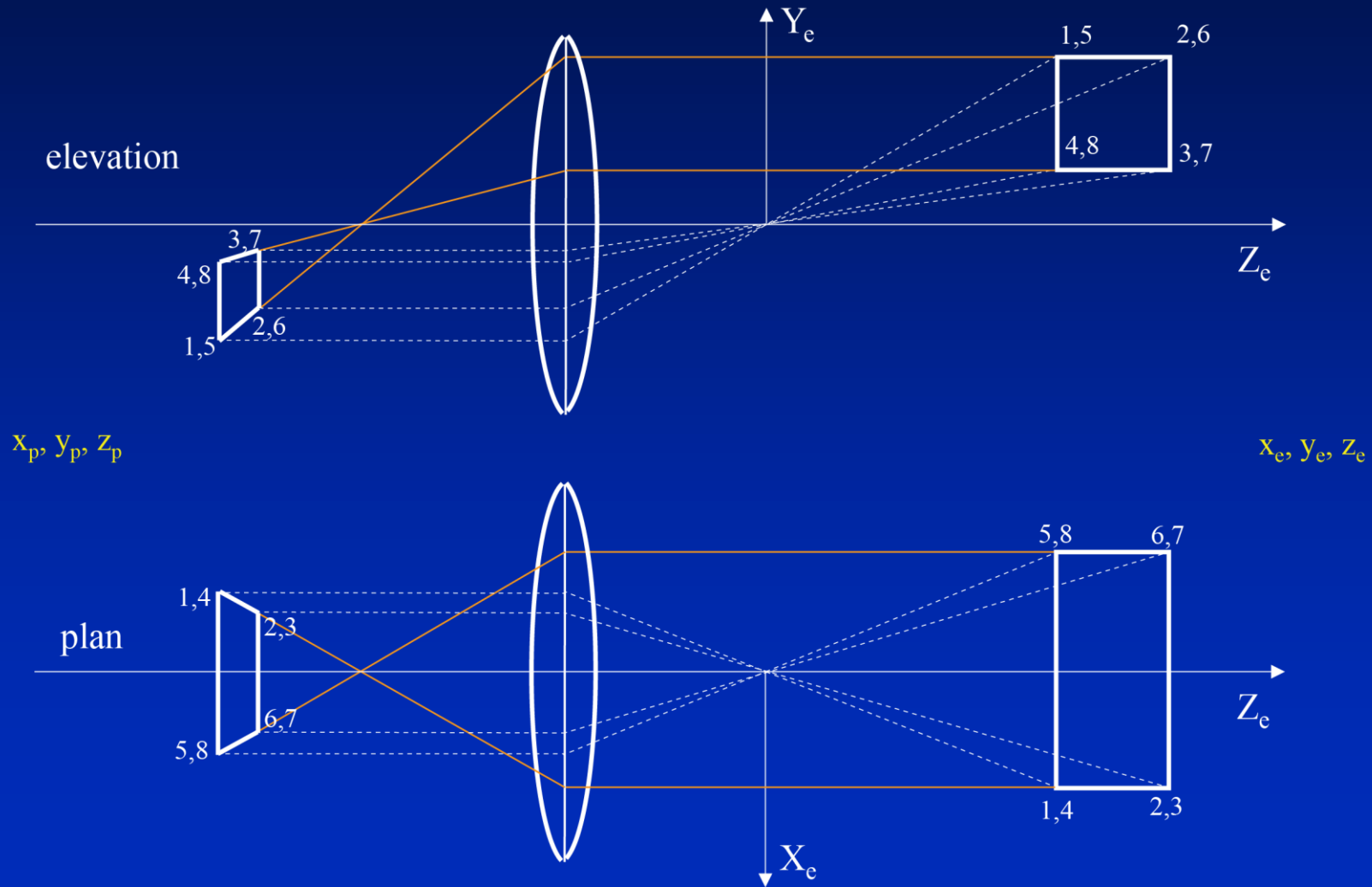
We know that:

$$\frac{-y_p}{y_e} = \frac{f}{z_e}, \quad \frac{-y_p}{y_e} = \frac{-z_p - 2f}{f}$$

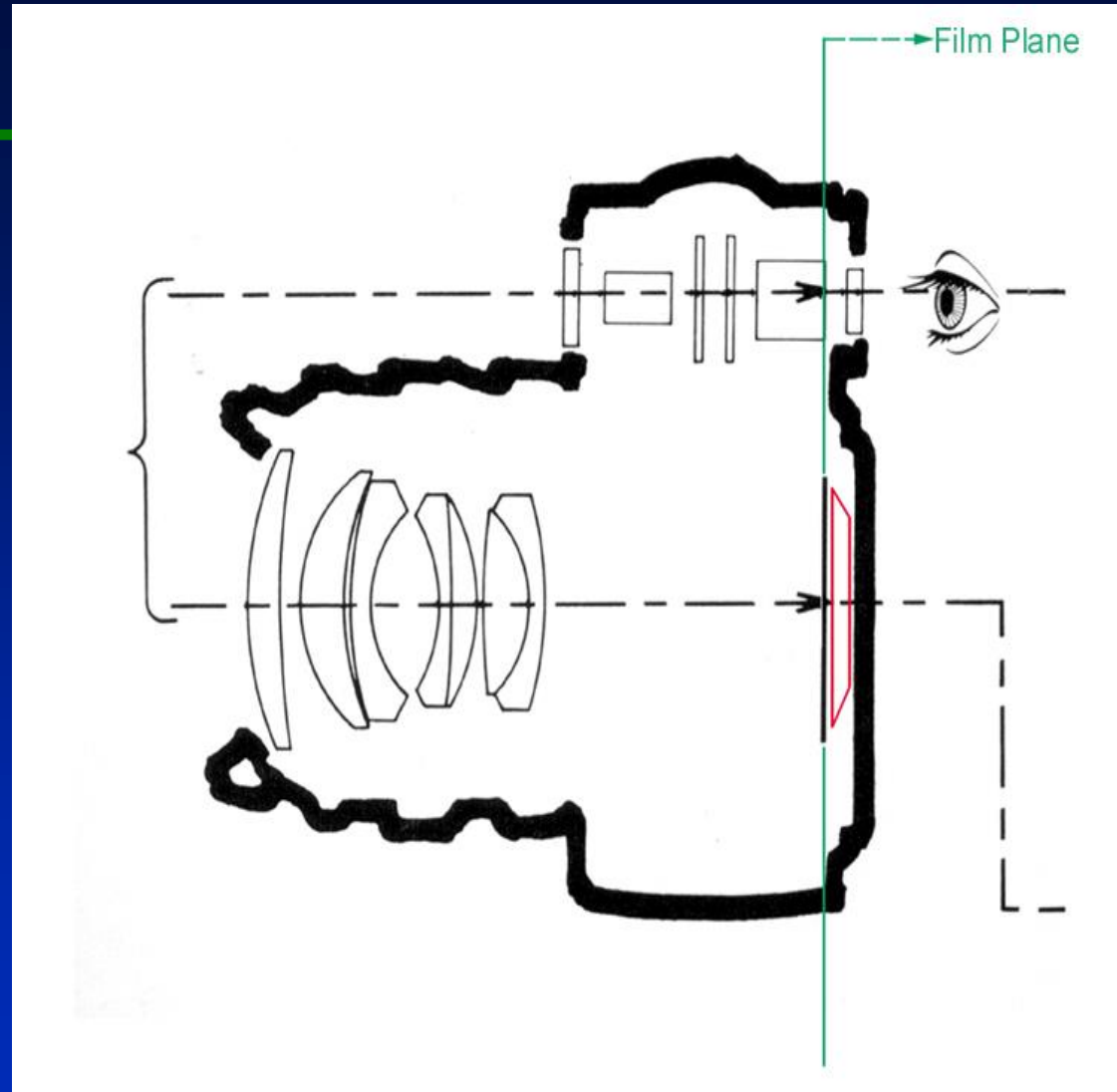
$$\therefore \frac{-z_p - 2f}{f} = \frac{f}{z_e}, \quad z_p + 2f = \frac{-f^2}{z_e}$$

$$z_p = -2f - \frac{f^2}{z_e}$$

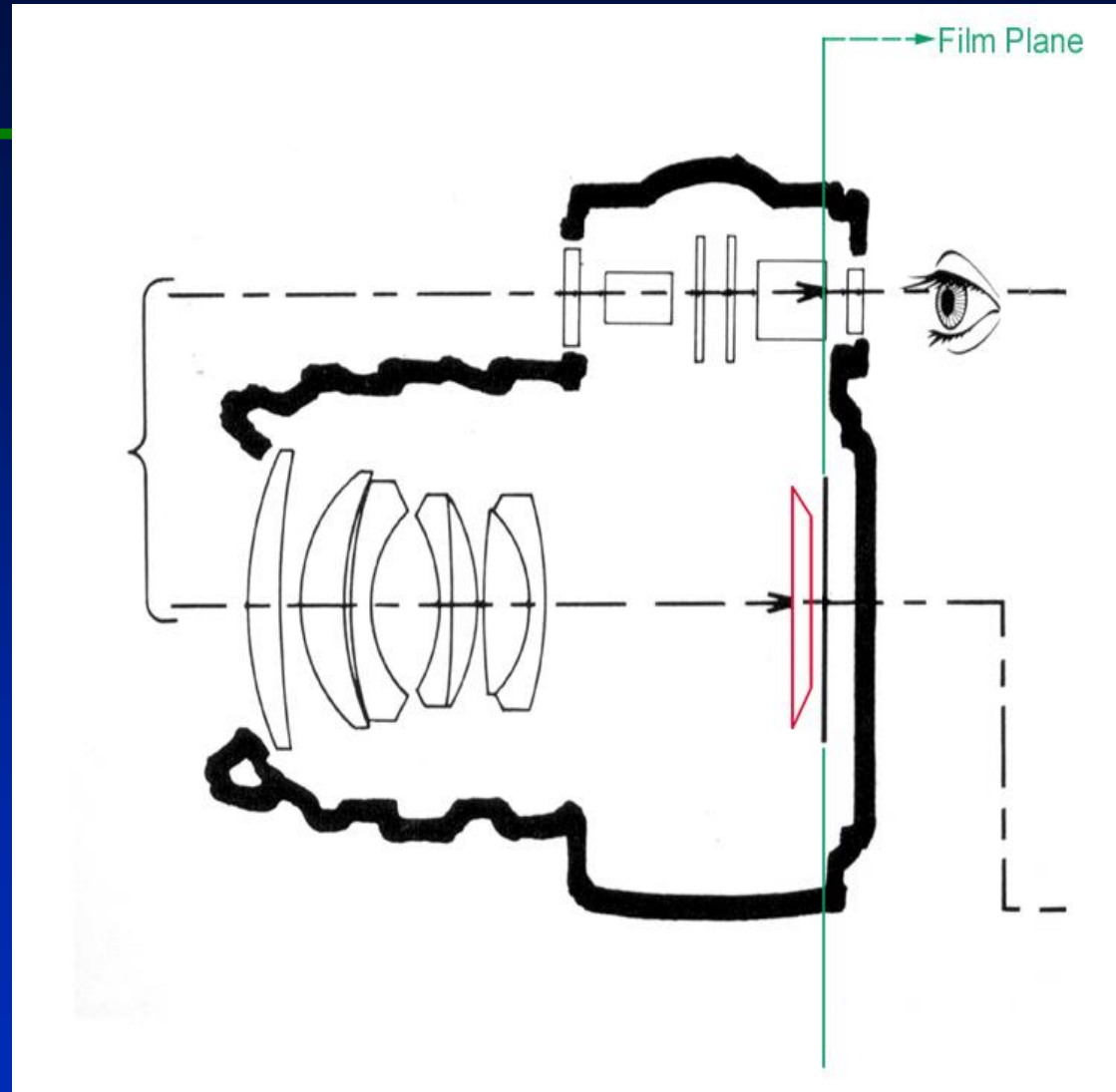
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Camera Film Plane



Camera Film Plane





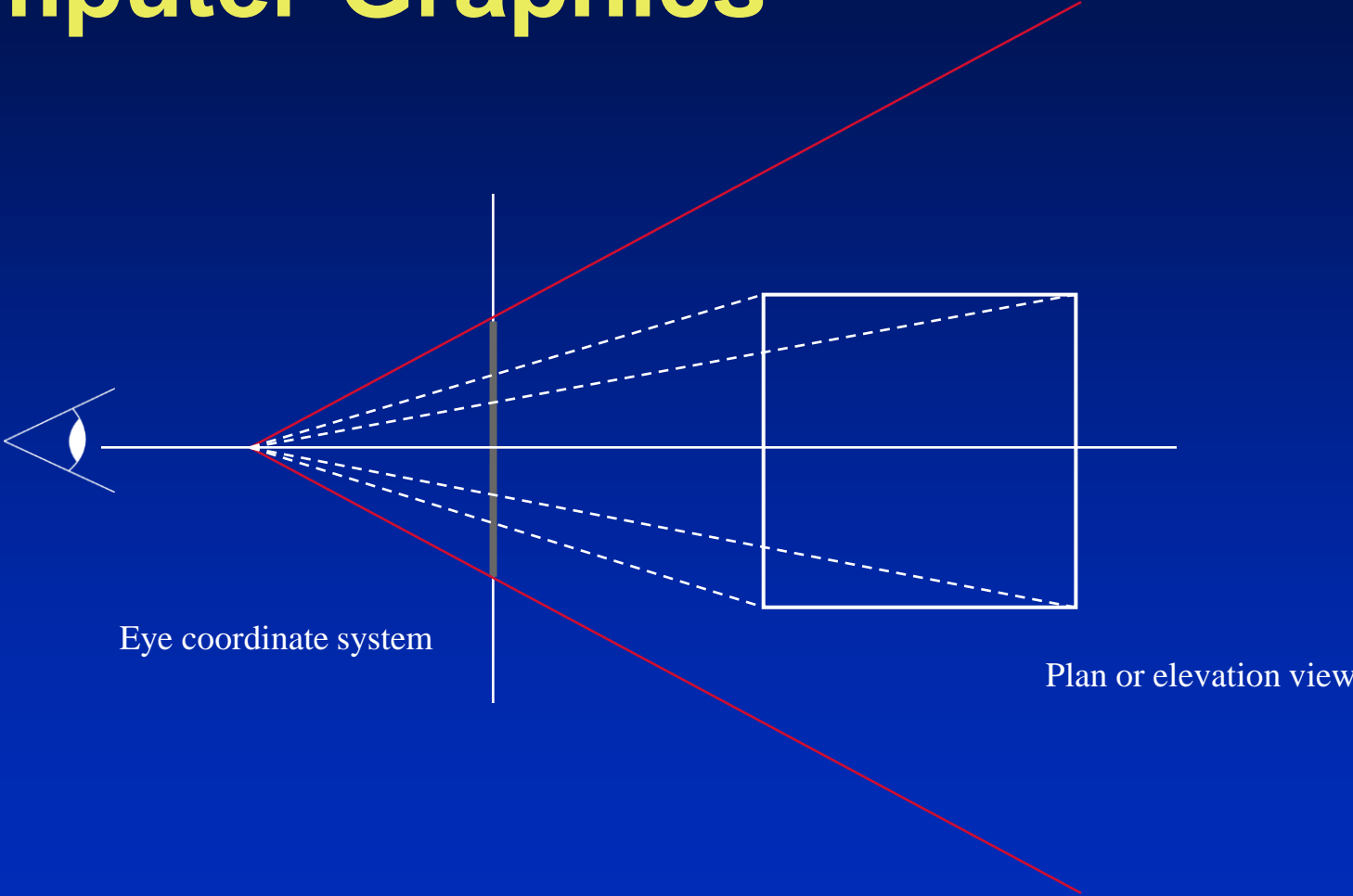
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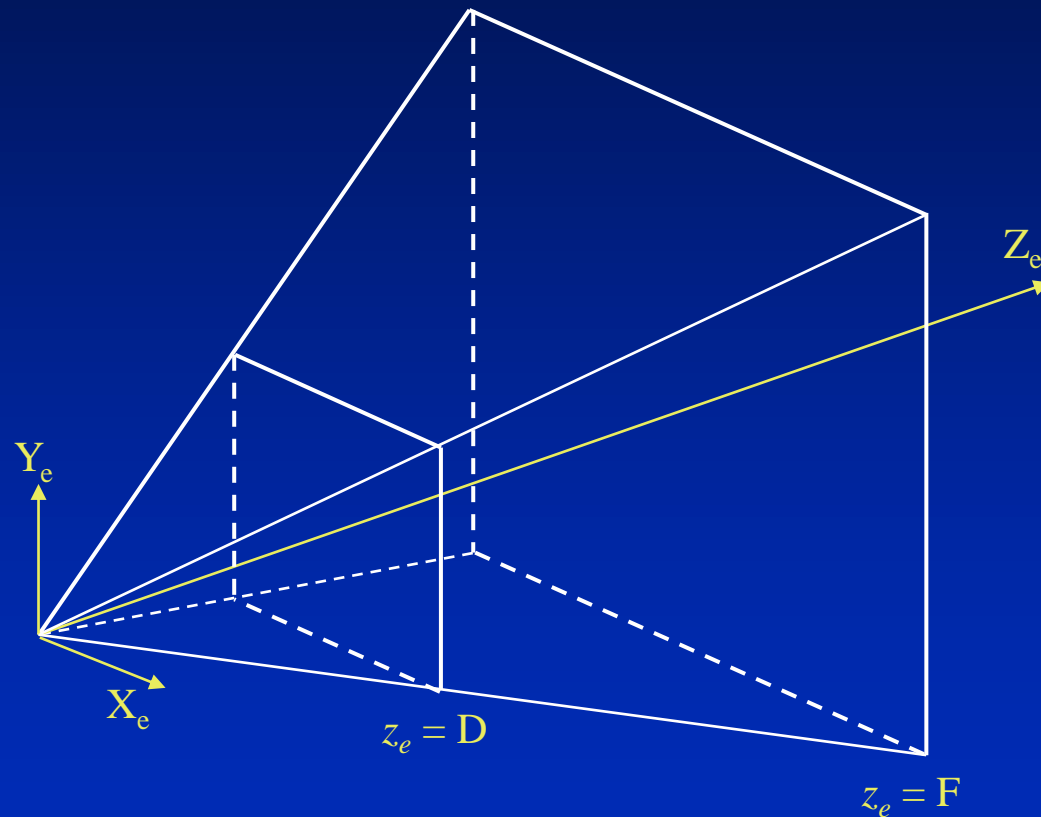
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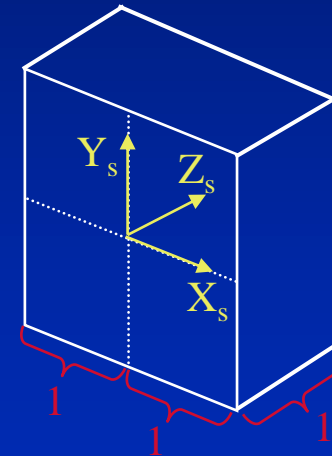
Perspective Projections in Computer Graphics



Mapping a Viewing Frustum to a Standard Viewbox



Frustum of vision



Screen coordinate system

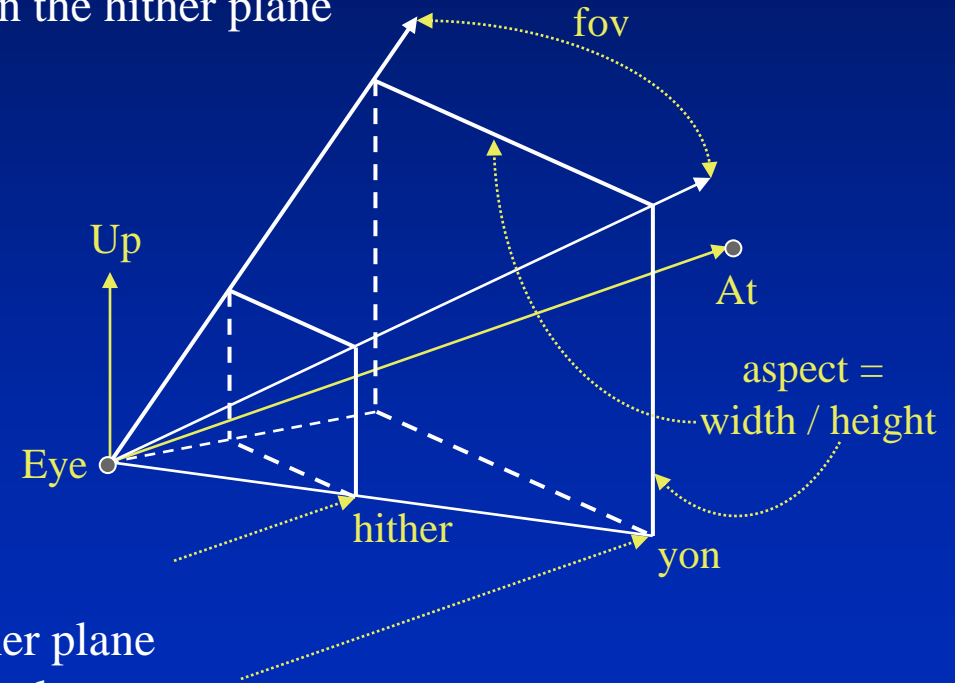
Viewing Frustum - User Parameters

Location and Orientation (vectors):

- Eye* location of eye point
- At* a point along view direction vector
- Up* a vector defining the Y axis on the hither plane

Shape (scalars):

- fov* field of view angle
- aspect* view plane aspect ratio
- hither* perpendicular distance to hither plane
- yon* perpendicular distance to yon plane



Object Space

(One point perspective)

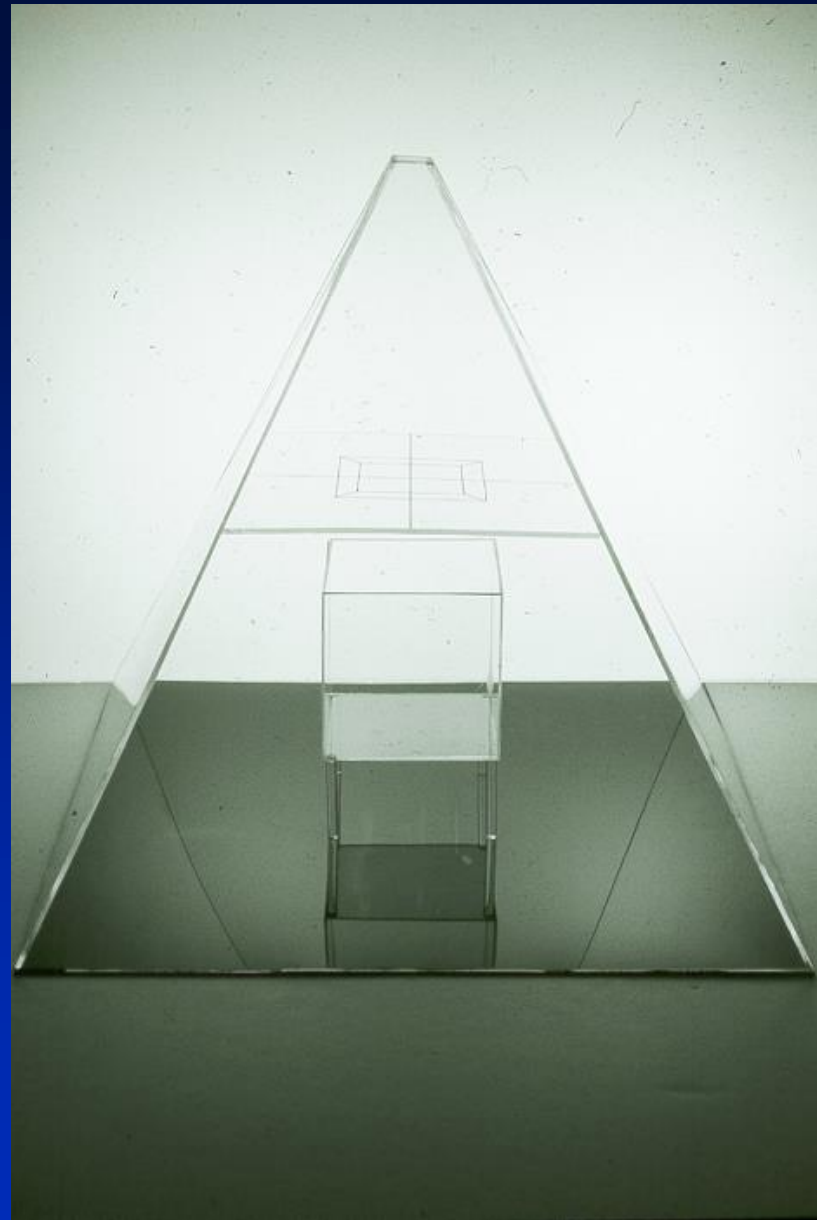
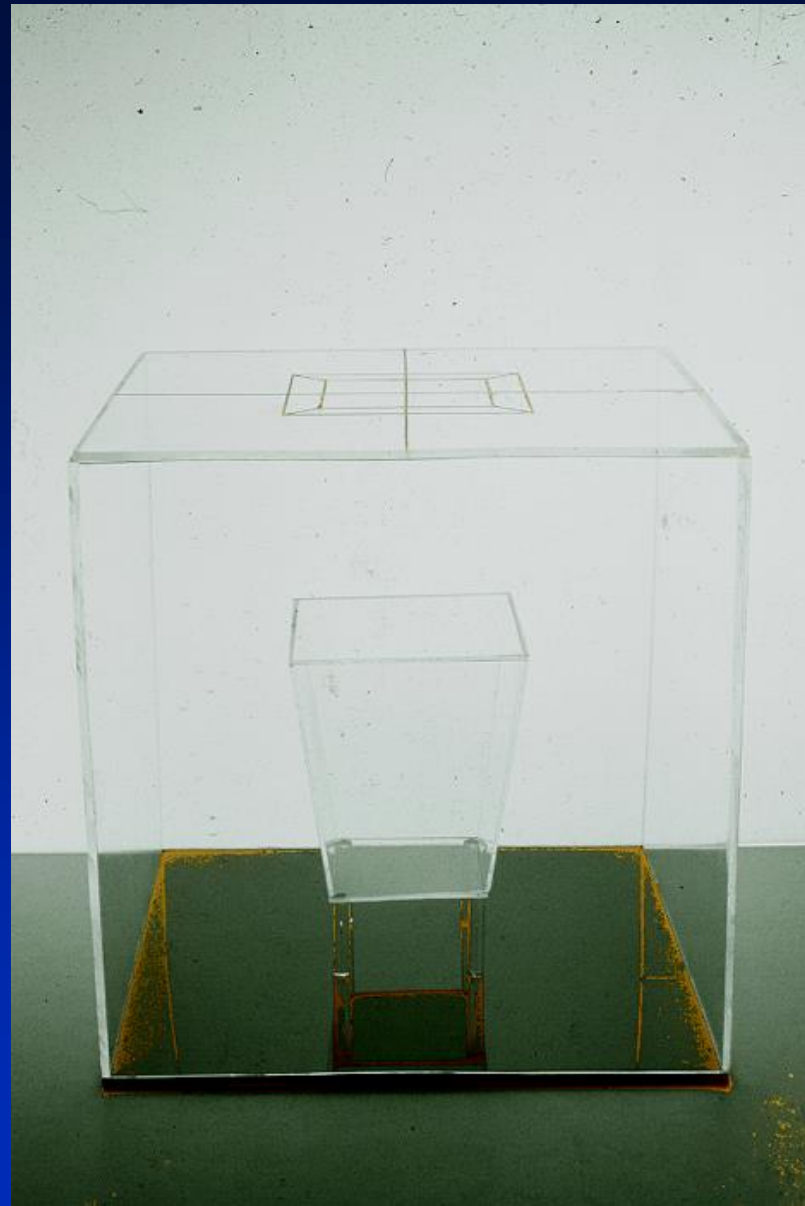


Image Space

(One point perspective)



Object Space

(Two point perspective)

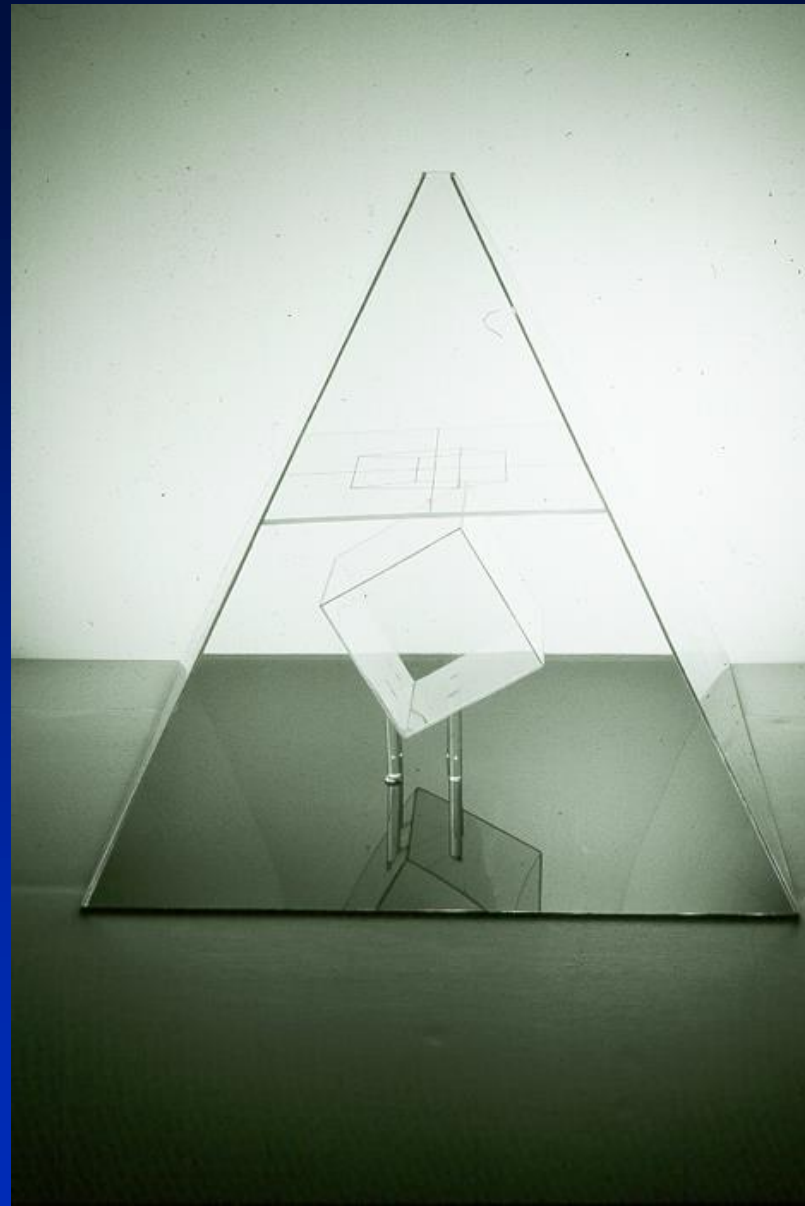
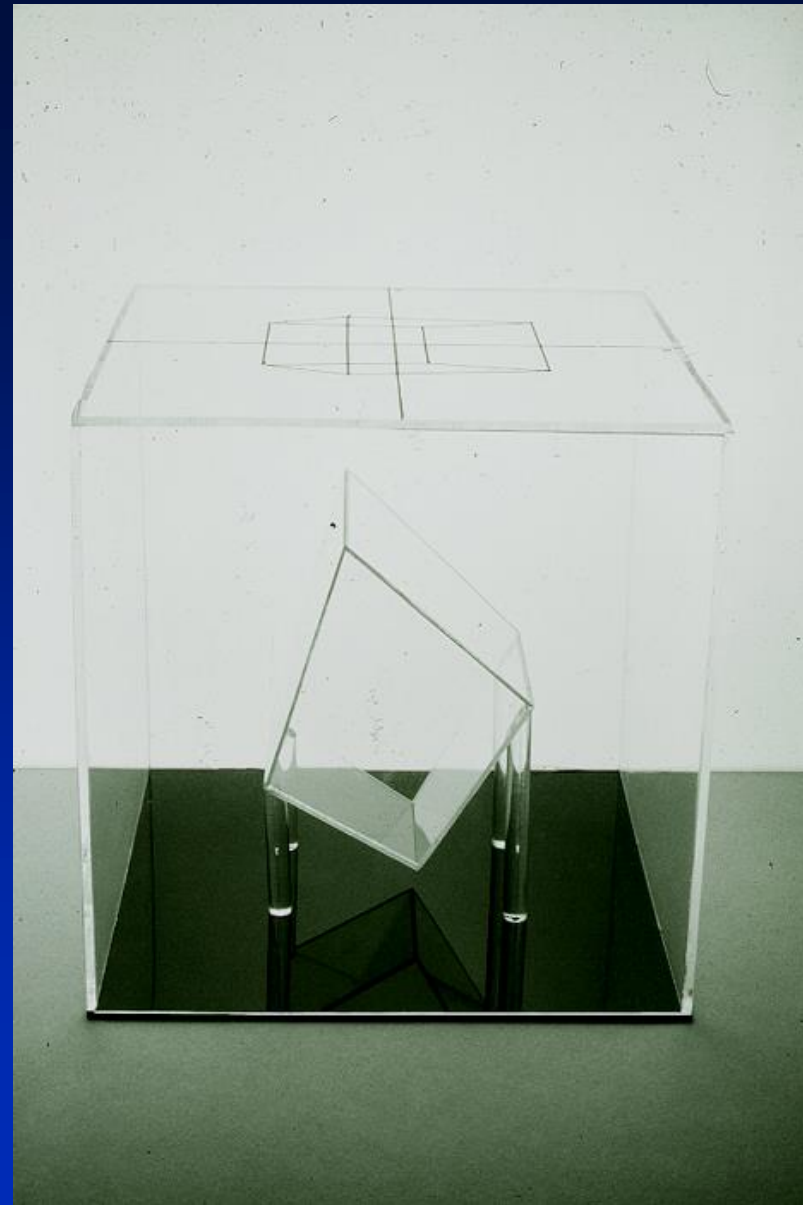


Image Space

(Two point perspective)



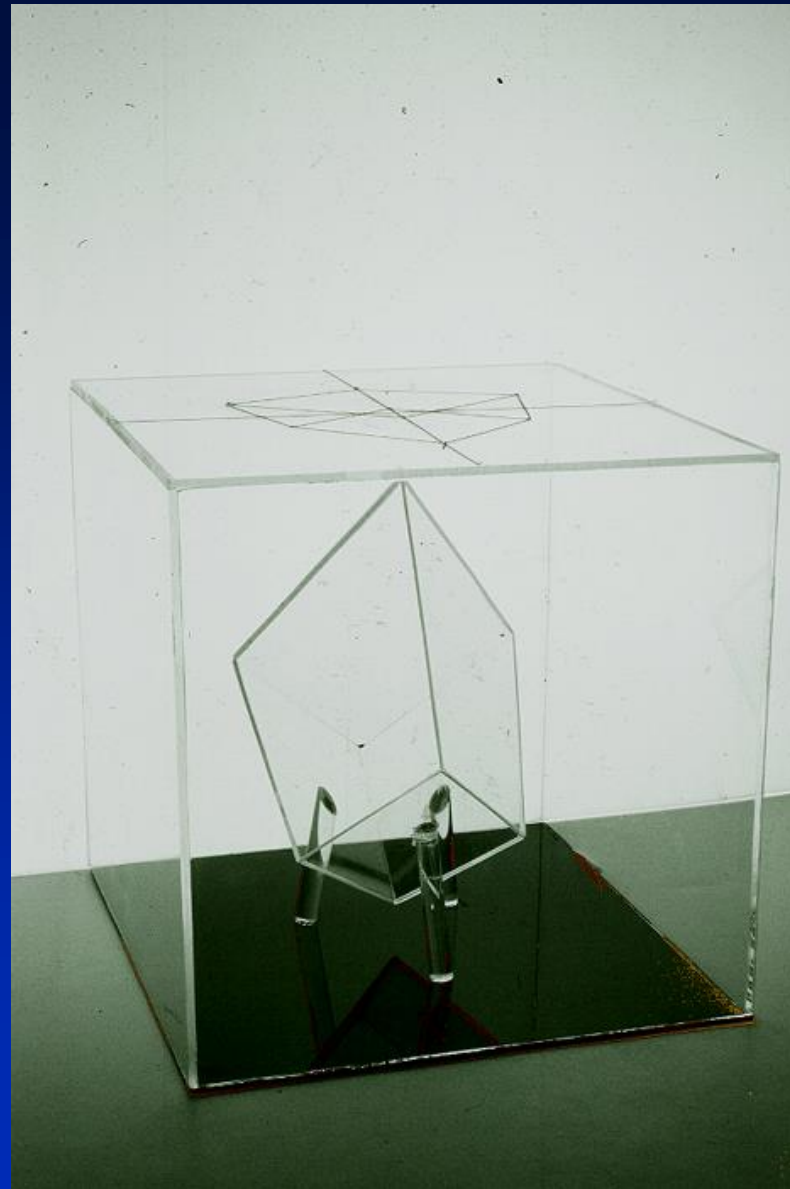
Object Space

(Three point perspective)



Image Space

(Three point perspective)



3D Perspective Image

(x & y coordinates in virtual image space)

$$x_p = -f \frac{x_e}{z_e}$$

$$y_p = -f \frac{y_e}{z_e}$$

$$x_p = \text{constant} \frac{x_e}{z_e}$$

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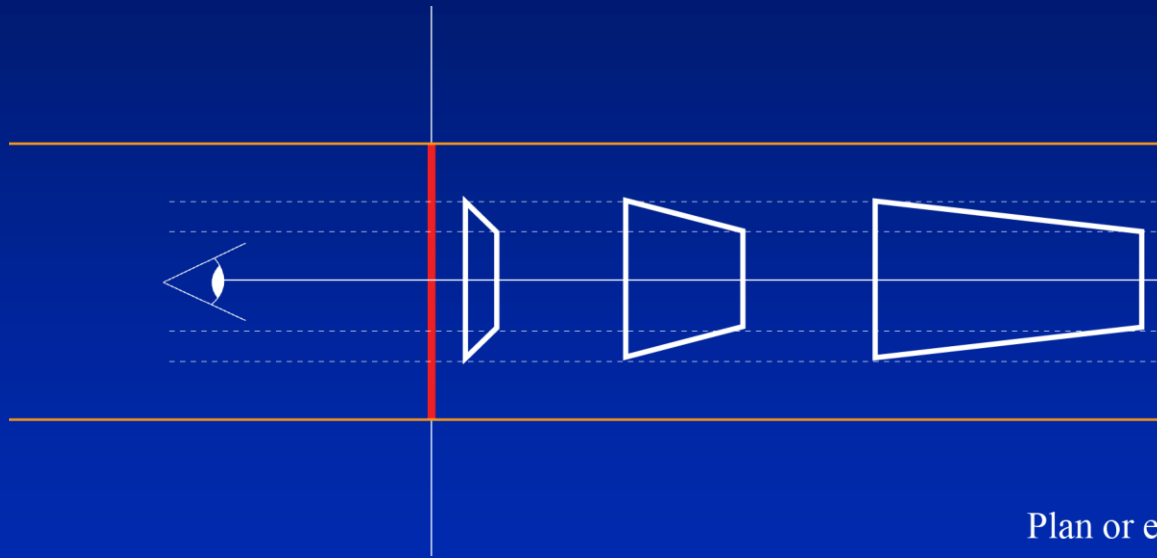
3D Perspective Image

(z depth coordinate in virtual image space)

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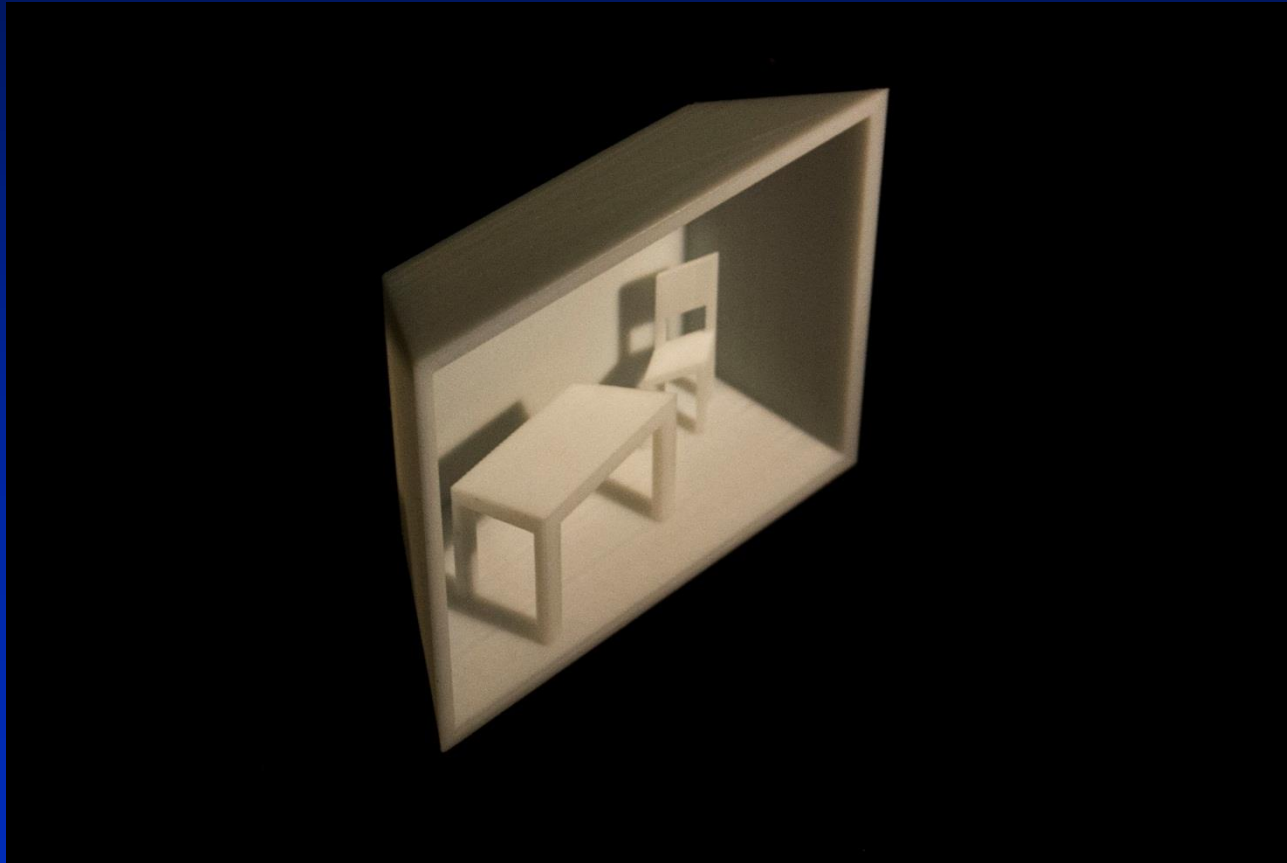
$$z_p = \text{constant}_1 + \text{constant}_2 \frac{1}{z_e}$$

Equivalent Distorted Geometries in Virtual Image Space

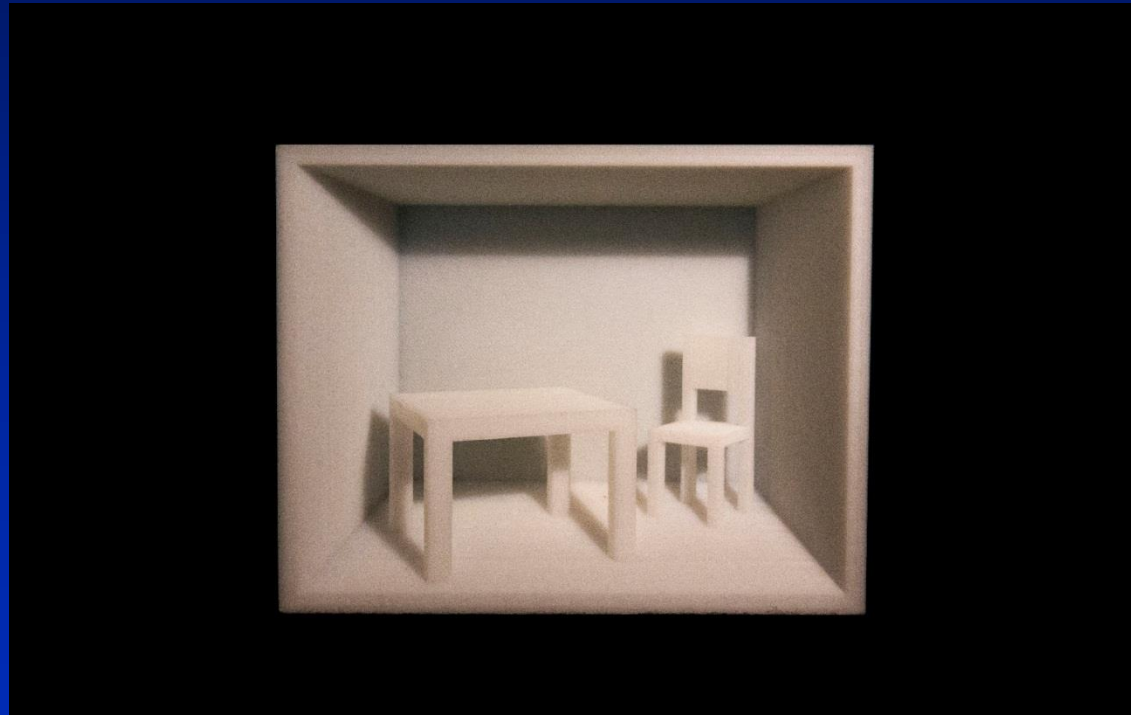


Plan or elevation view

Distorted Geometry Model



Distorted Geometry Model



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Uses of Perspective in Enlarging Architectural Space (3D)

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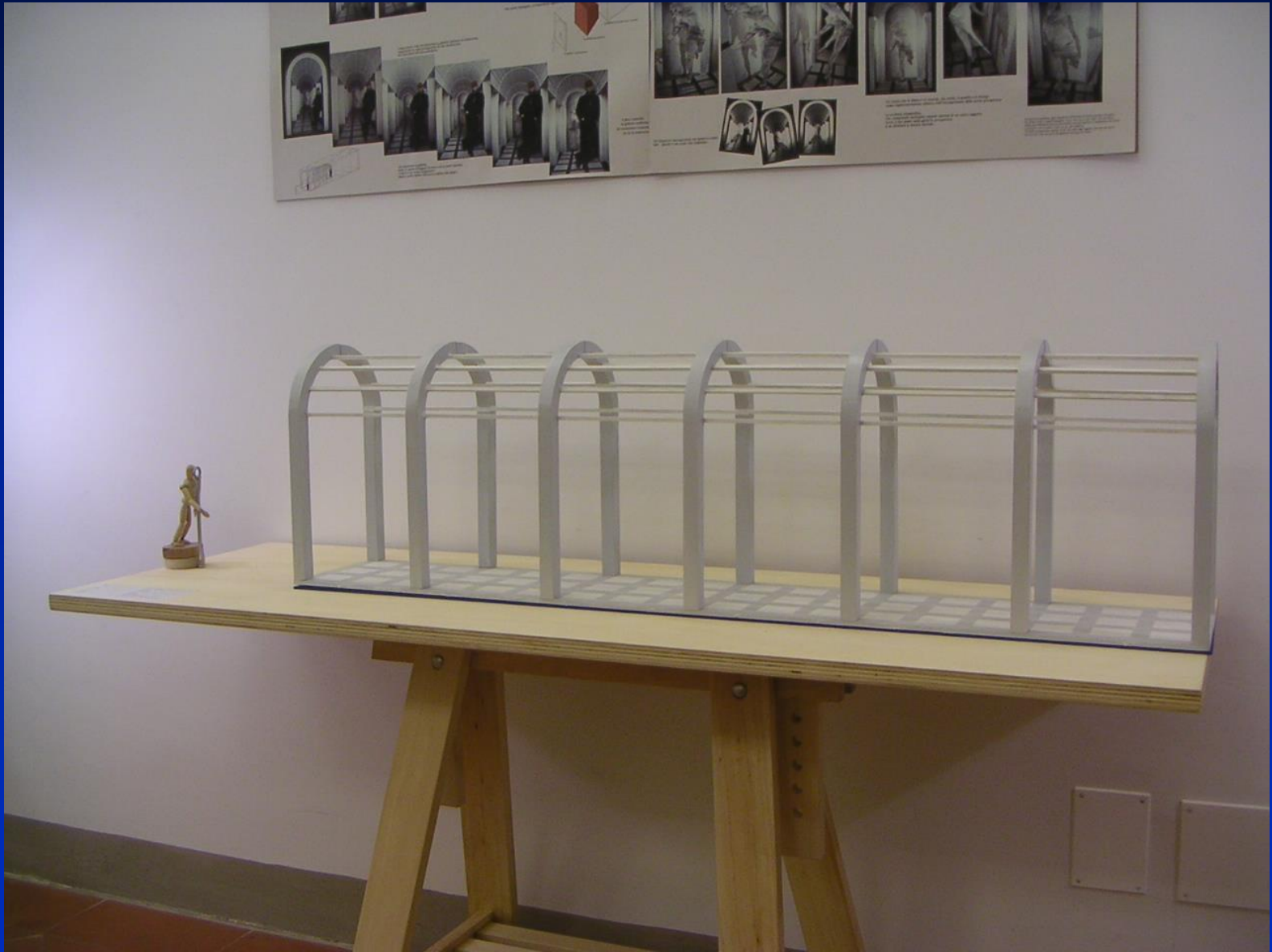


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