



EECS 442 – Computer vision

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- Announcements:
 - HW1 is released today after class and it's due by 9.22 11:55PM

Reading: [FP] Chapters 1 – 3
[HZ] Chapter 6



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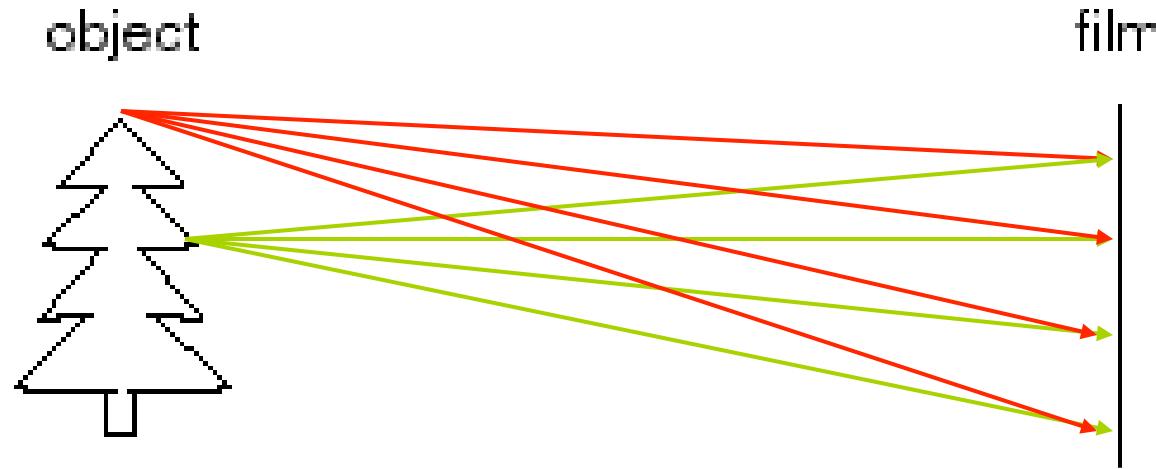
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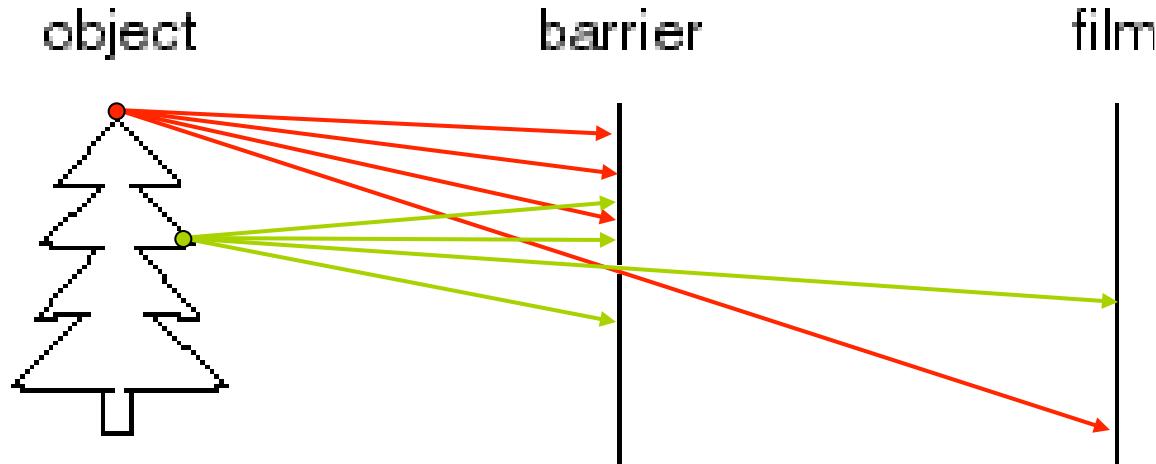
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How do we see the world?



- Let's design a camera
 - Idea 1: put a piece of film in front of an object
 - Do we get a reasonable image?

Pinhole camera



- Add a barrier to block off most of the rays
 - This reduces blurring
 - The opening known as the **aperture**

Some history...

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first record of camera obscura

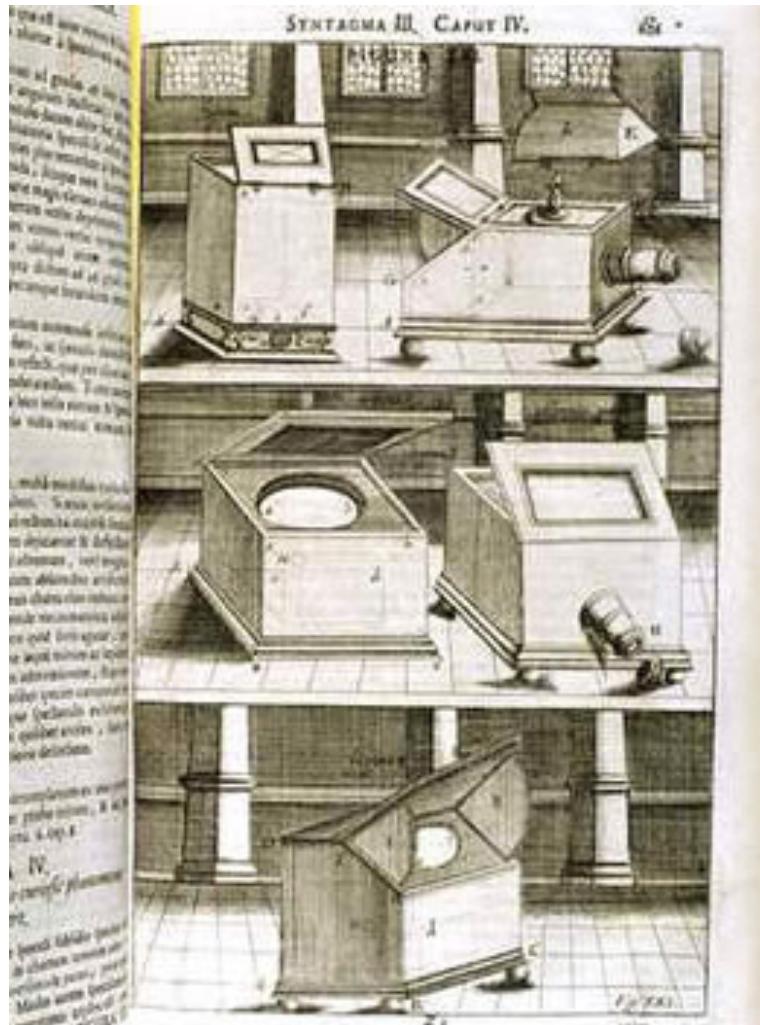


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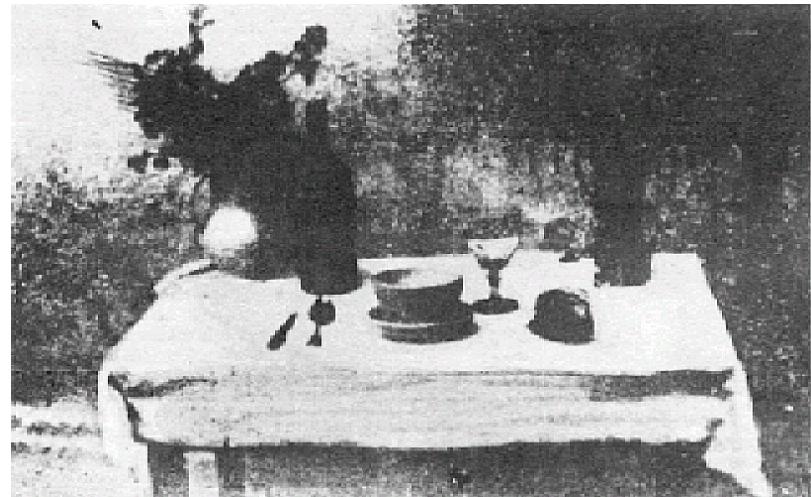
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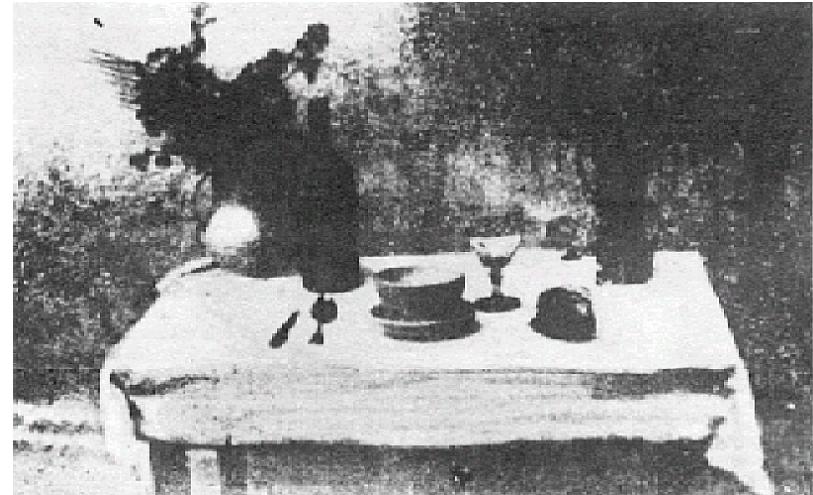


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- Daguerreotypes (1839)
- Photographic Film (Eastman, 1889)
- Cinema (Lumière Brothers, 1895)
- Color Photography (Lumière Brothers, 1908)



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Let's also not forget...



Motzu
(468-376 BC)

Oldest existent
book on geometry
in China

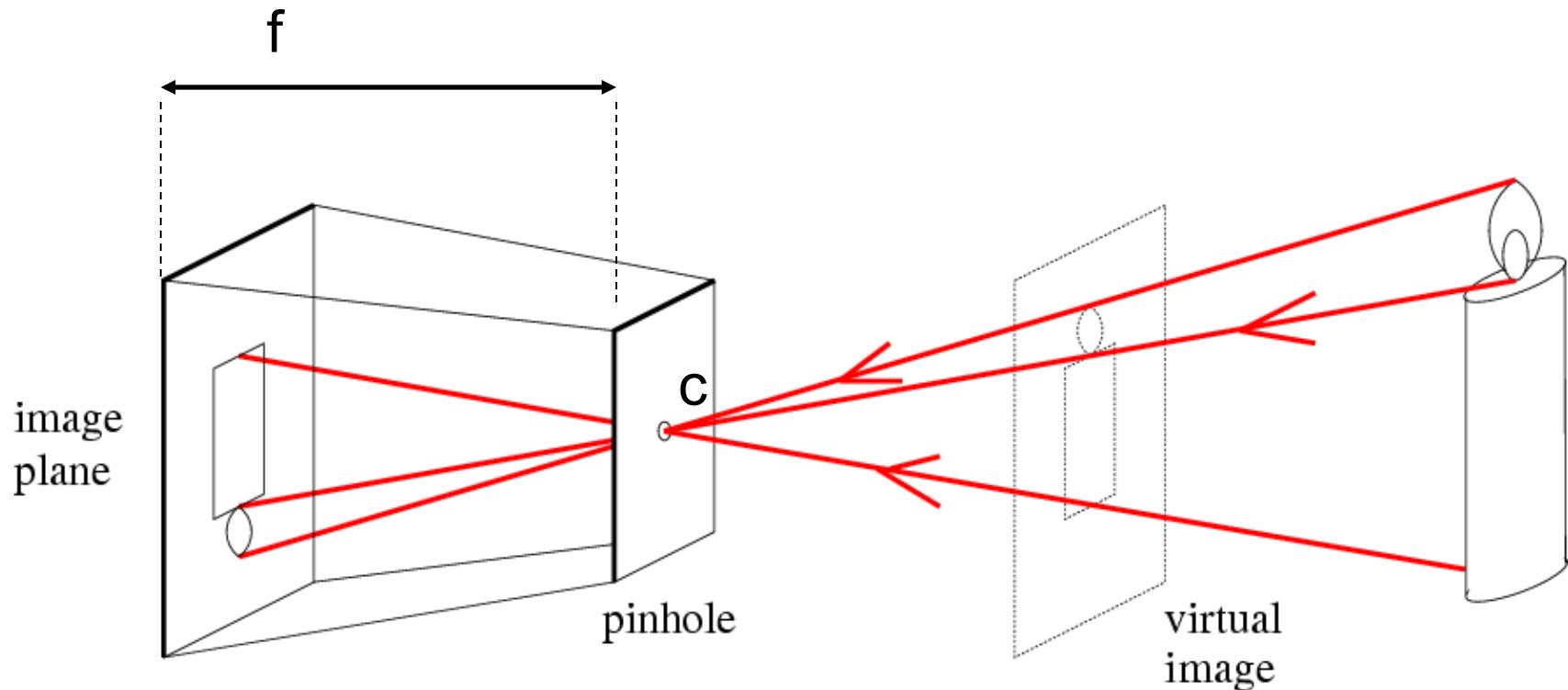


Aristotle
(384-322 BC)
Also: Plato, Euclid



Al-Kindi (c. 801–873)
Ibn al-Haitham
(965-1040)

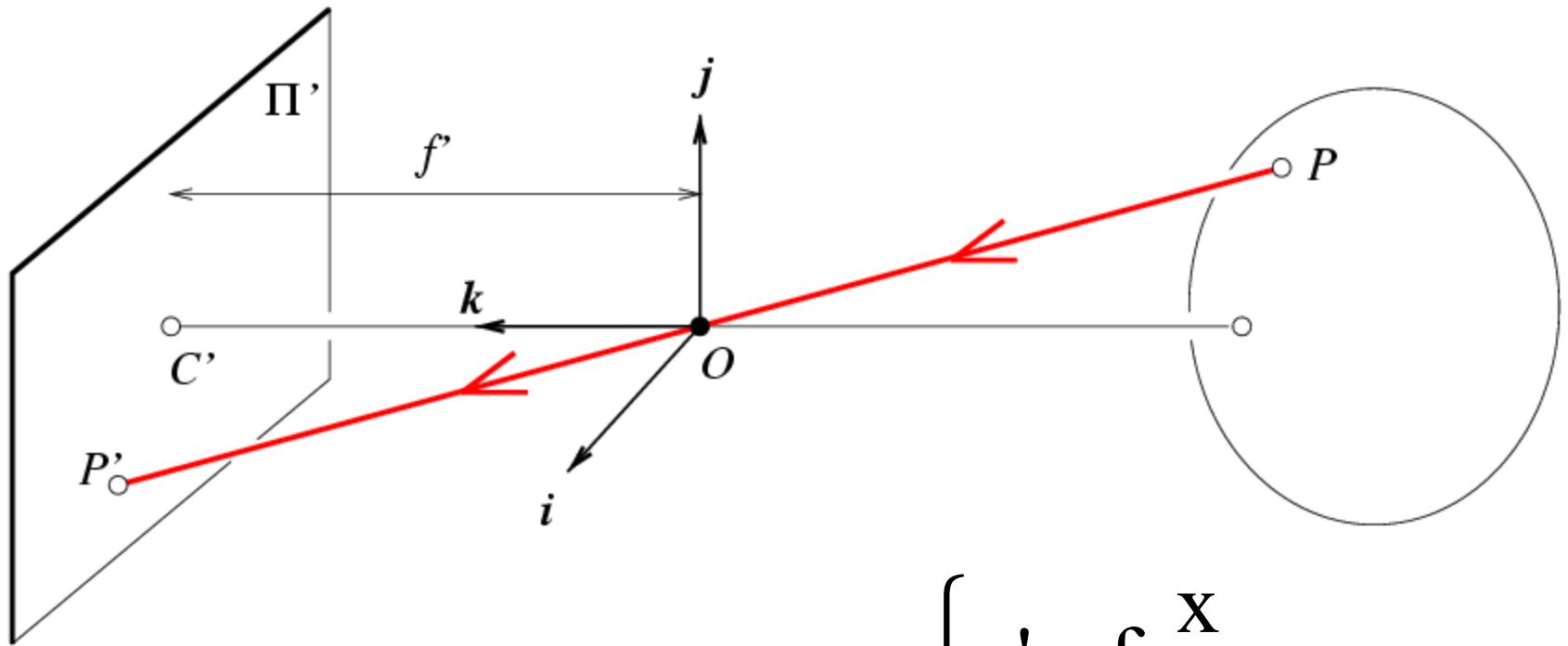
Pinhole camera



f = focal length

c = aperture = pinhole = center of the camera

Pinhole camera

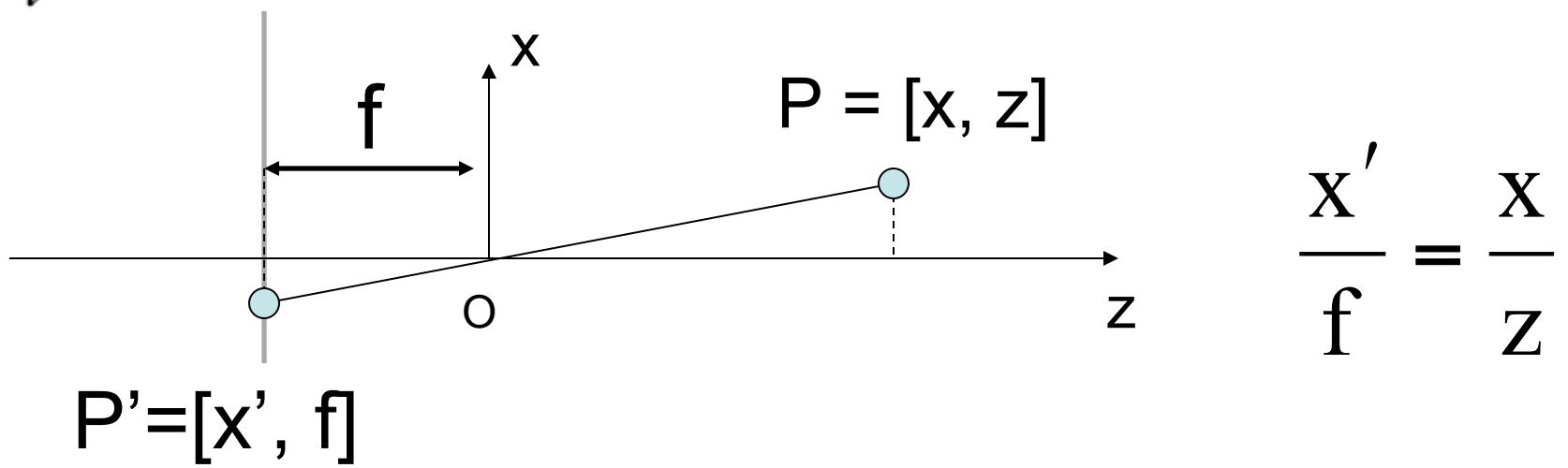
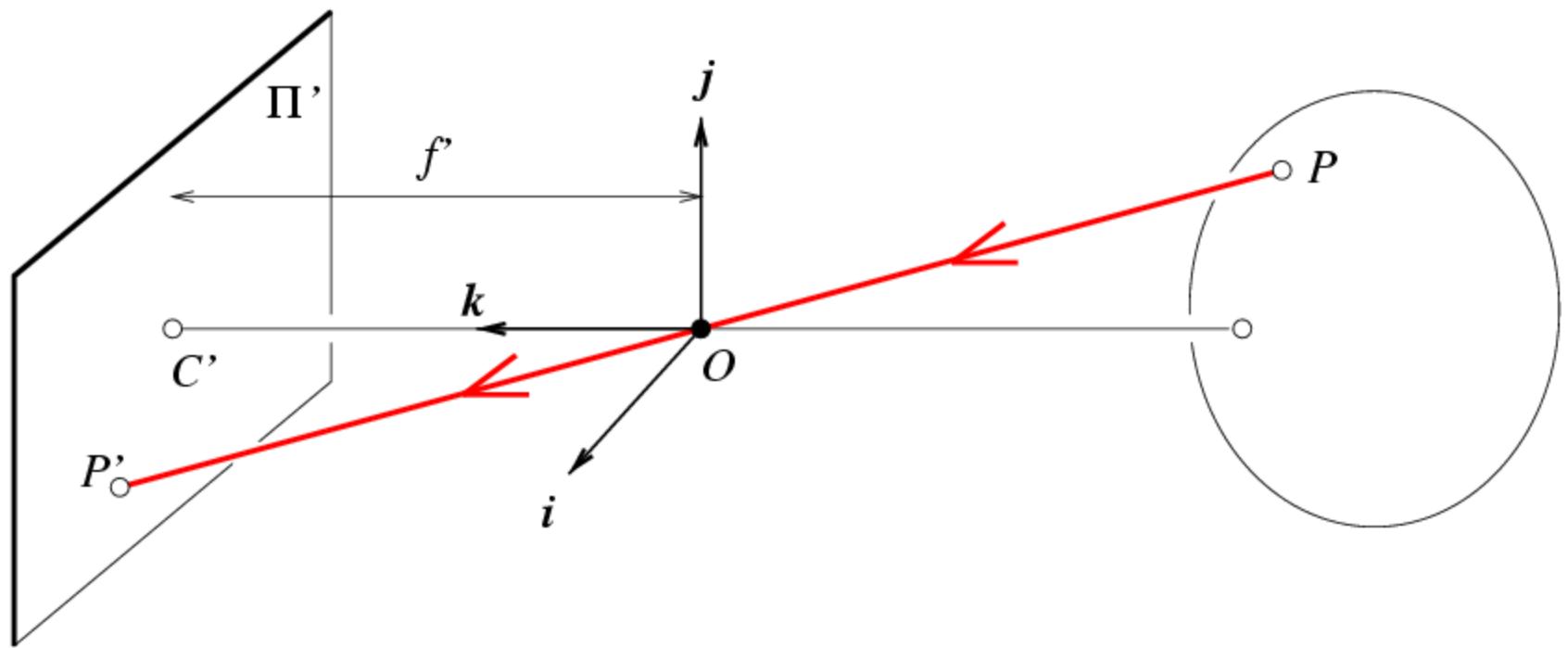


$$P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow P' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$$

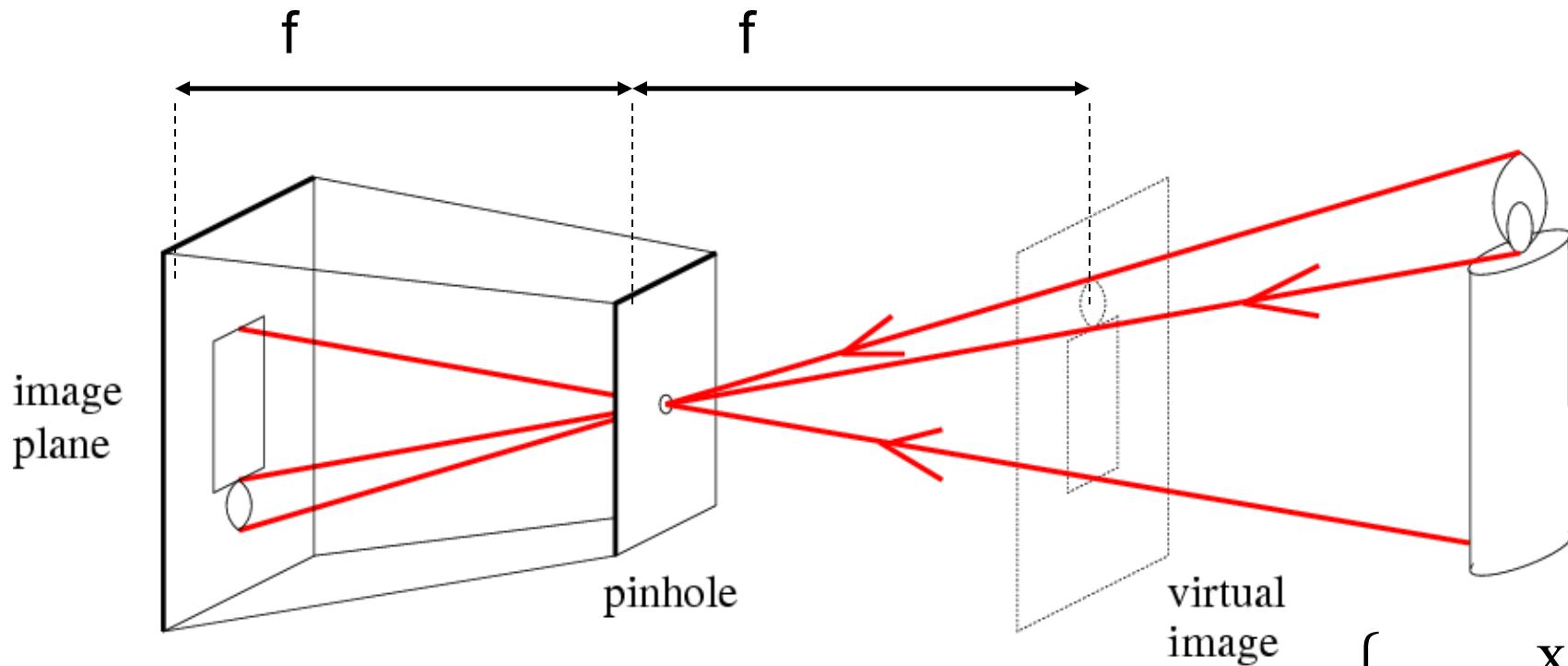
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x' = f \frac{x}{z} \\ y' = f \frac{y}{z} \end{array} \right.$$

Derived using similar triangles

Pinhole camera



Pinhole camera

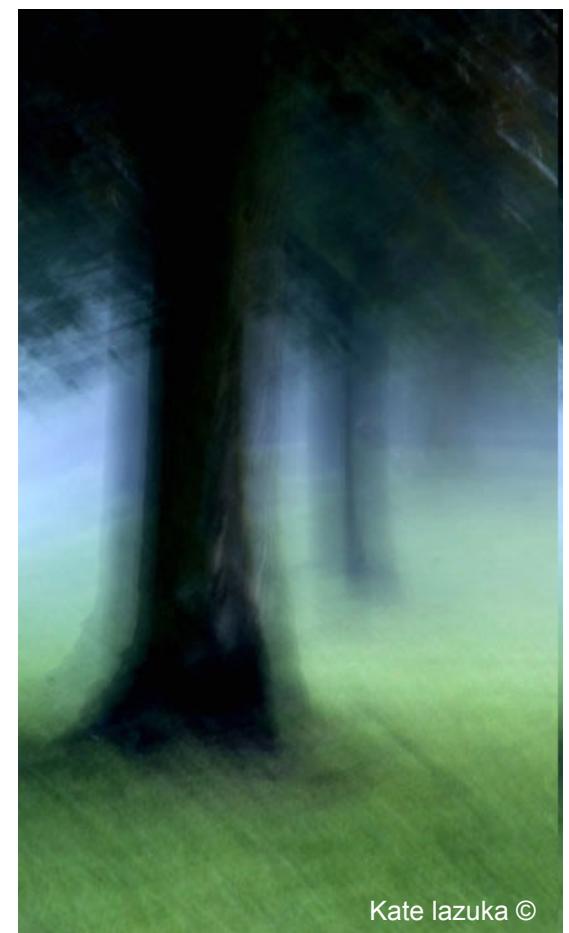
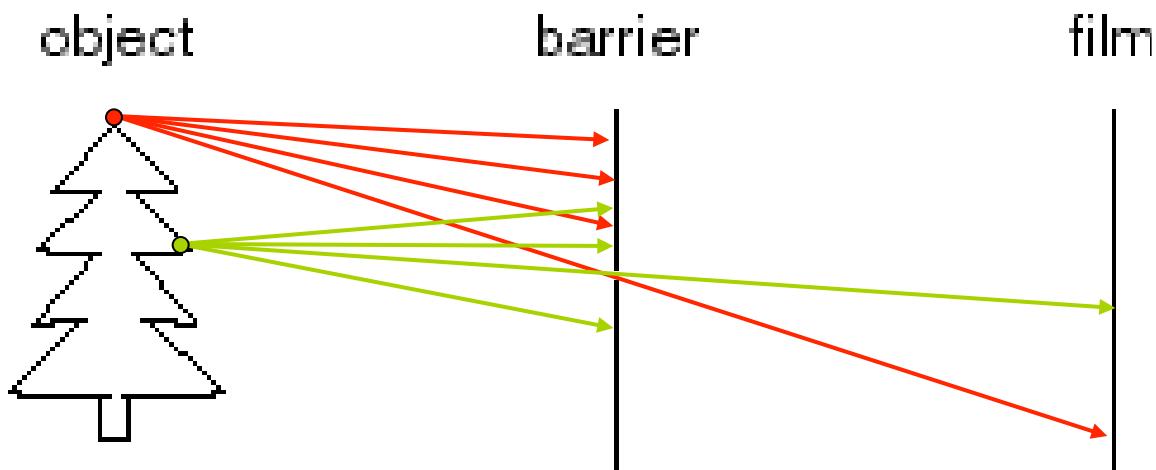


Common to draw image plane *in front* of the focal point.
What's the transformation between these 2 planes?

$$\begin{cases} x' = f \frac{x}{z} \\ y' = f \frac{y}{z} \end{cases}$$

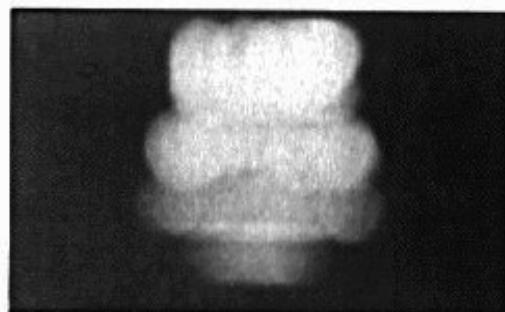
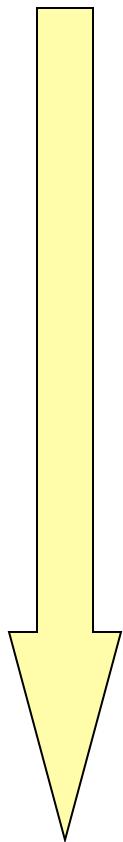
Pinhole camera

Is the size of the aperture important?



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Shrinking
aperture
size



2 mm



1 mm



0.6mm



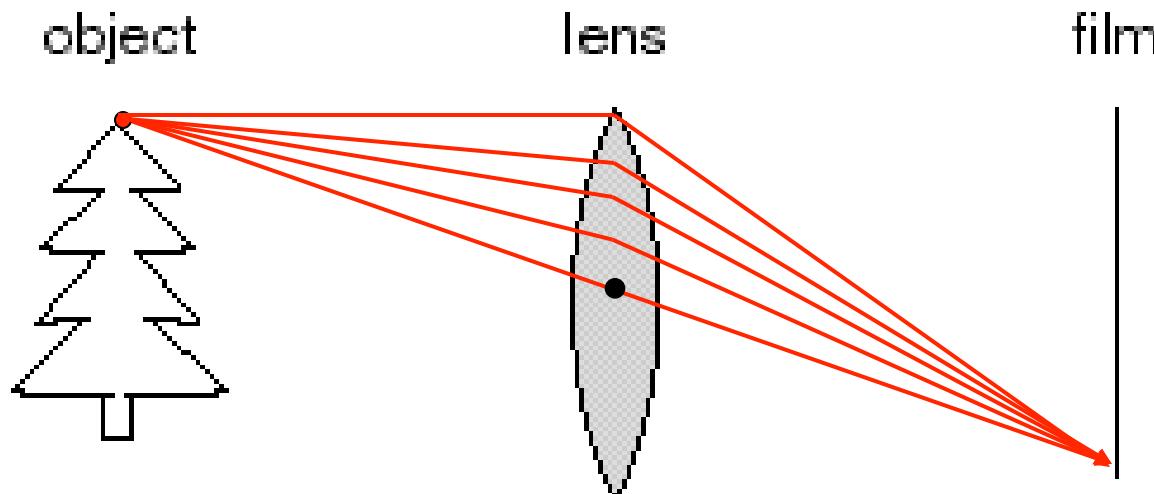
0.35 mm

-Why the aperture cannot be too small?

- Less light passes through
- Diffraction effect

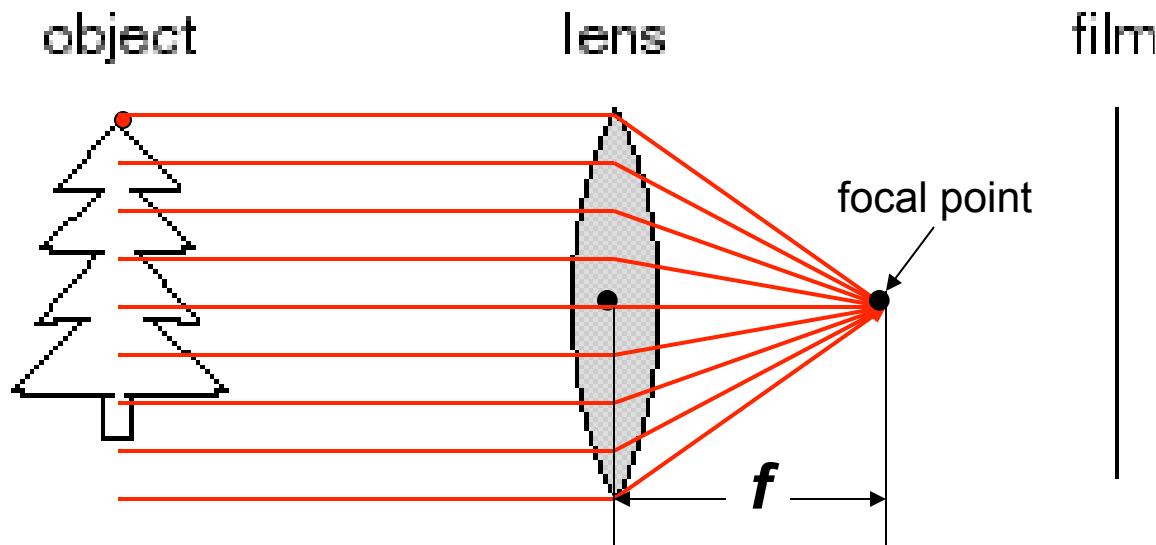
Adding lenses!

Cameras & Lenses



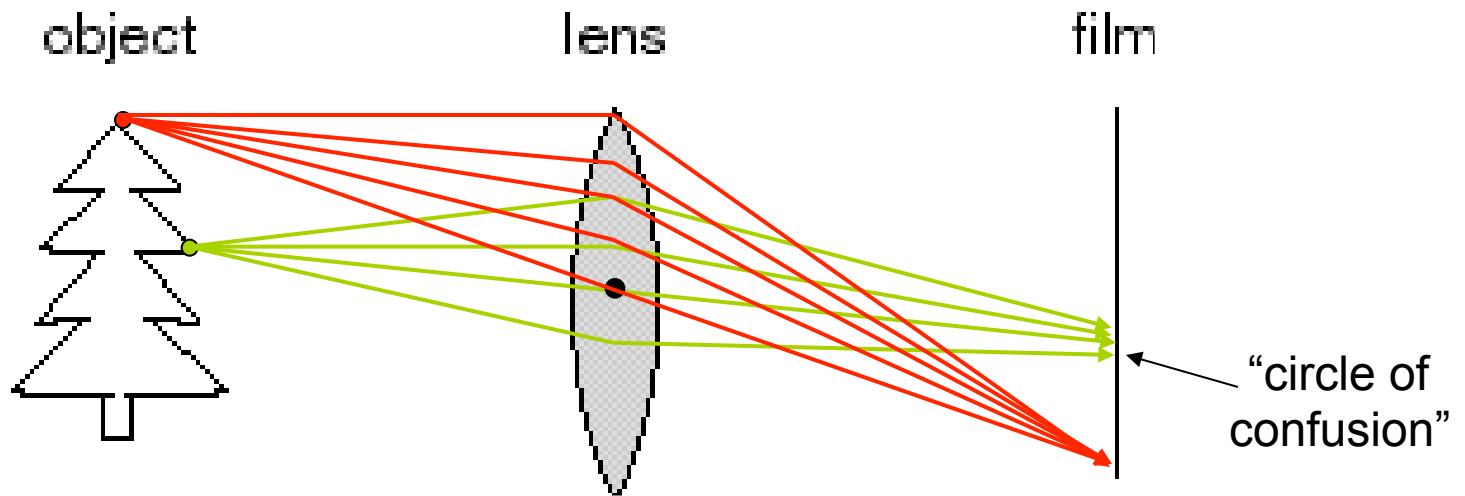
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Cameras & Lenses



- A lens focuses light onto the film
 - Rays passing through the center are not deviated
 - All parallel rays converge to one point on a plane located at the *focal length* f

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 - There is a specific distance at which objects are “in focus”
 - Related to the concept of depth of field

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Relationship between points in 3D and images

Snell's law

$$n_1 \sin \alpha_1 = n_2 \sin \alpha_2$$

α_1 = incident angle

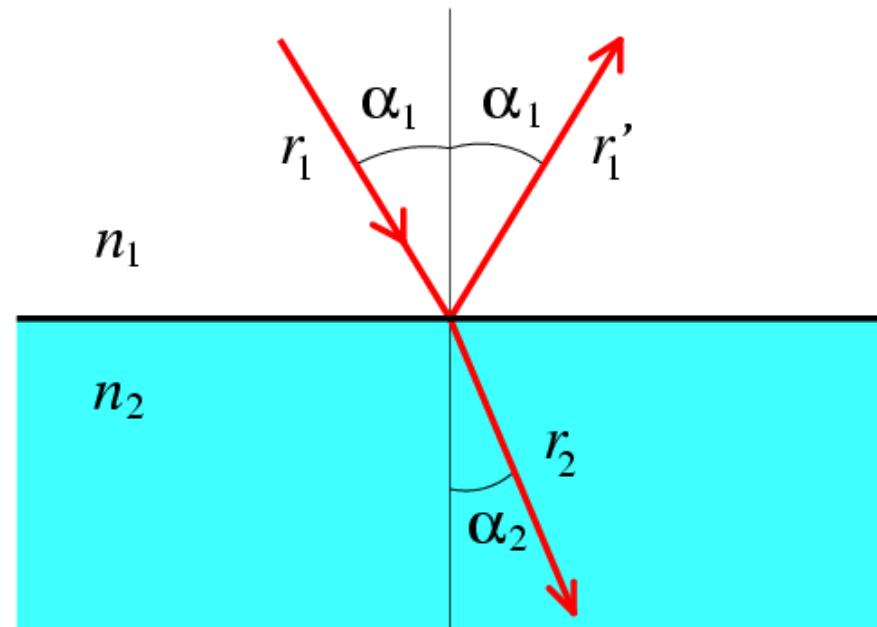
α_2 = refraction angle

n_i = index of refraction

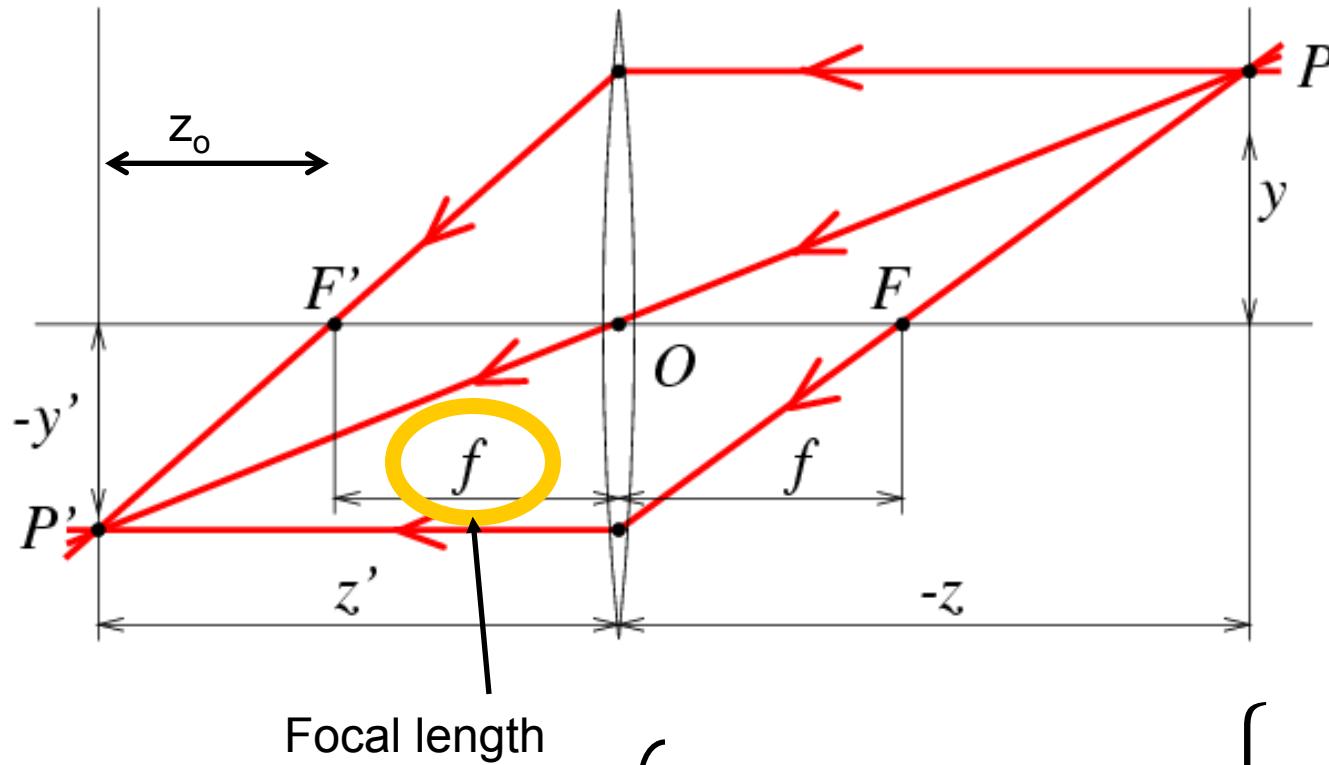
Air ~ 1.0 (1.0 in Vacuum)

Water ~ 1.3

Glass ~ 1.5



Thin Lenses



$$z' = f + z_0$$

$$f = \frac{R}{2(n-1)}$$

Snell's law:

$$n_1 \sin \alpha_1 = n_2 \sin \alpha_2$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Small angles:} \\ n_1 \alpha_1 \approx n_2 \alpha_2 \\ n_1 = n \text{ (lens)} \\ n_1 = 1 \text{ (air)} \end{array} \right.$$

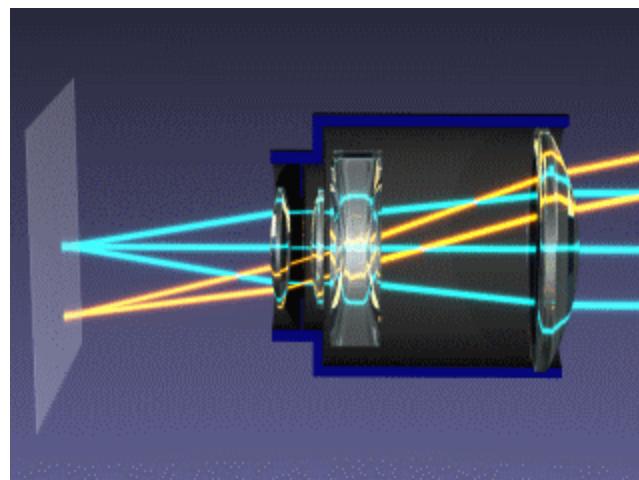


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x' = z' \frac{x}{z} \\ y' = z' \frac{y}{z} \end{array} \right.$$

Lenses are combined in various ways...



- Adjust the focus
- Change the field of view



Source wikipedia

Effect of the focal length



28 mm lens



50 mm lens

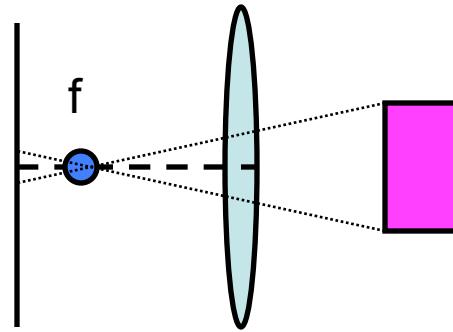


70 mm lens

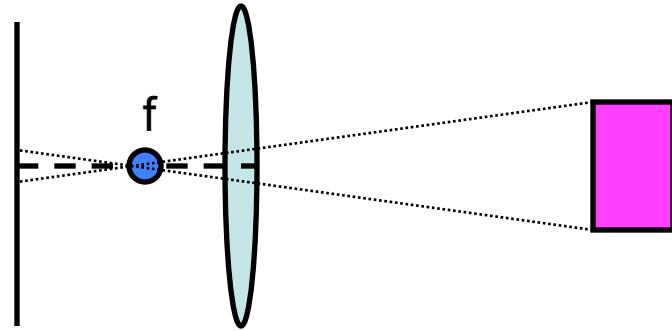
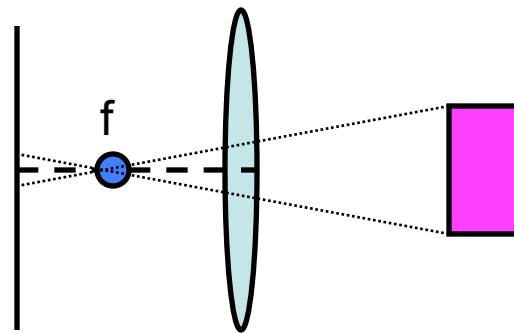


210 mm lens

Dolly zooms



Exaggerated perception of depth



Compressed perception of depth

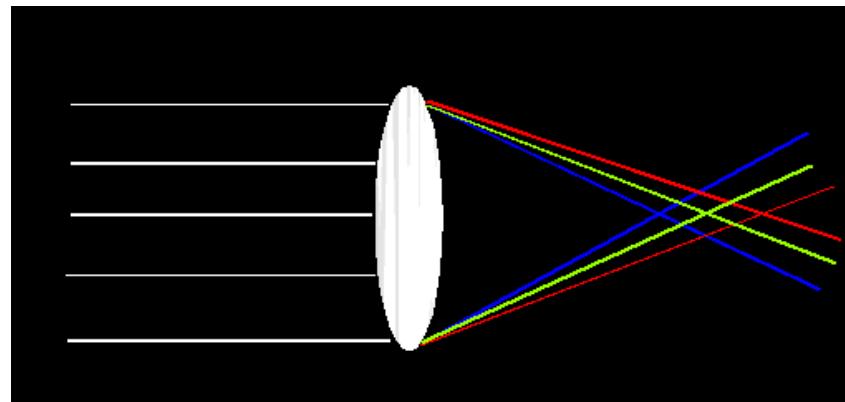
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Issues with lenses: Chromatic Aberration

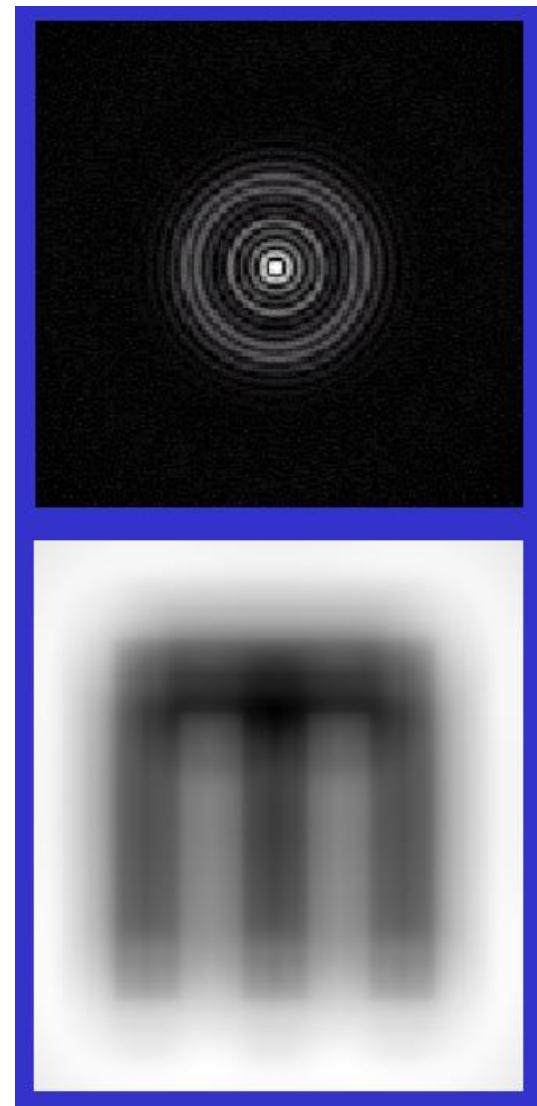
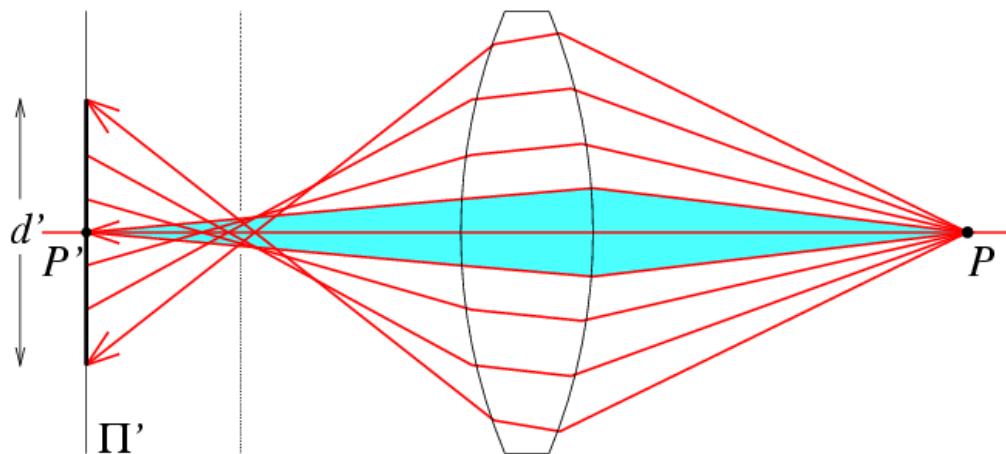
- Lens has different refractive indices for different wavelengths: causes color fringing

$$f = \frac{R}{2(n - 1)}$$



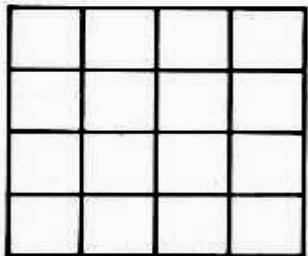
Issues with lenses: Spherical aberration

- Rays farther from the optical axis focus closer

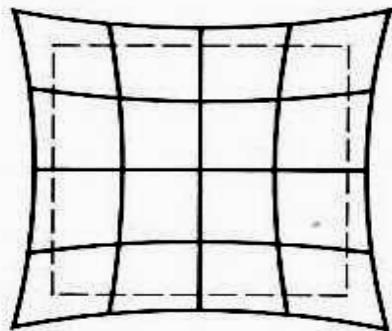


Issues with lenses: Radial Distortion

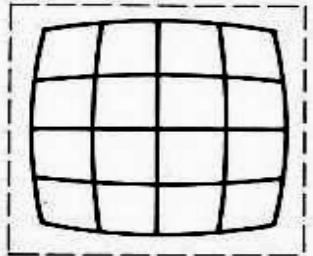
- Deviations are most noticeable for rays that pass through the edge of the lens



No distortion



Pin cushion



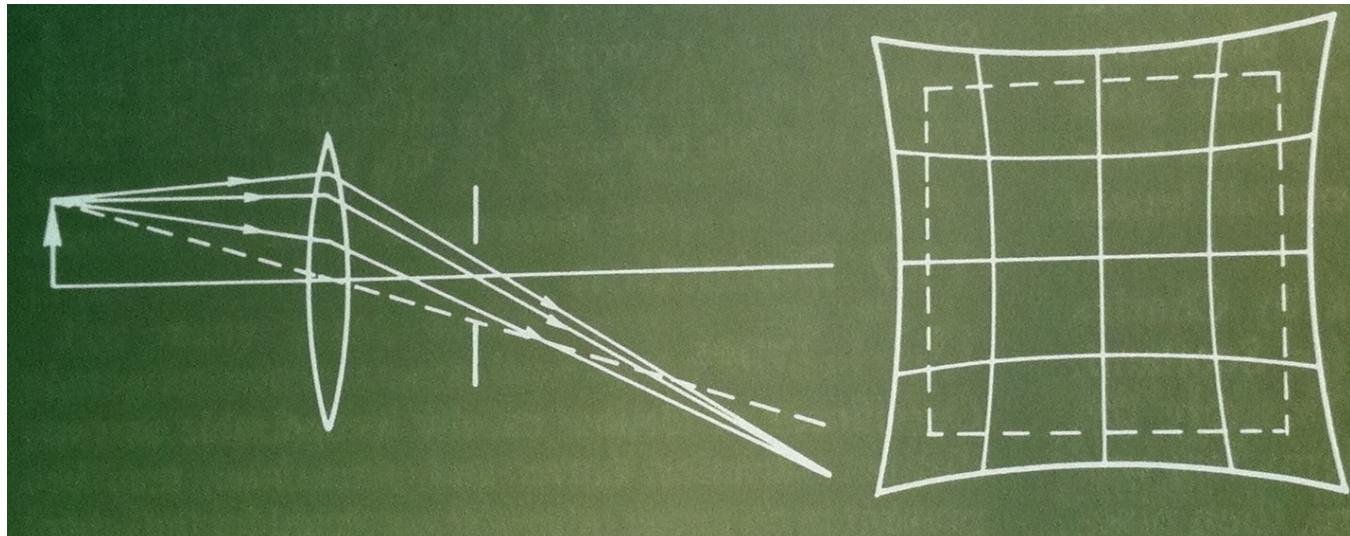
Barrel (fisheye lens)

Image magnification decreases with distance from the optical axis

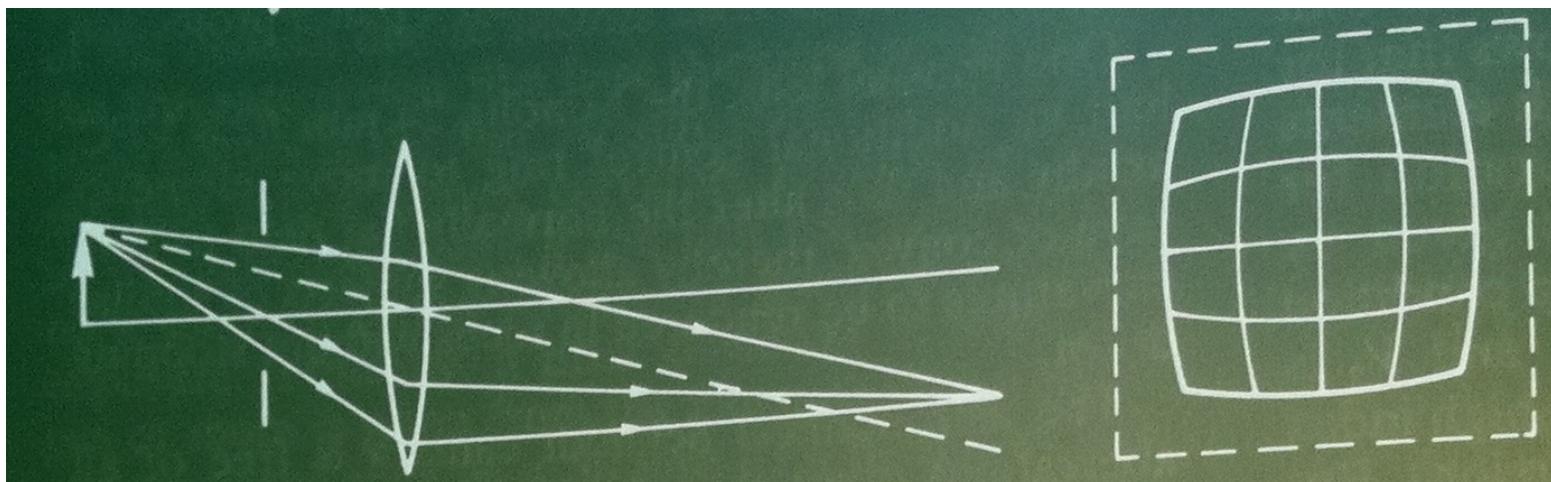


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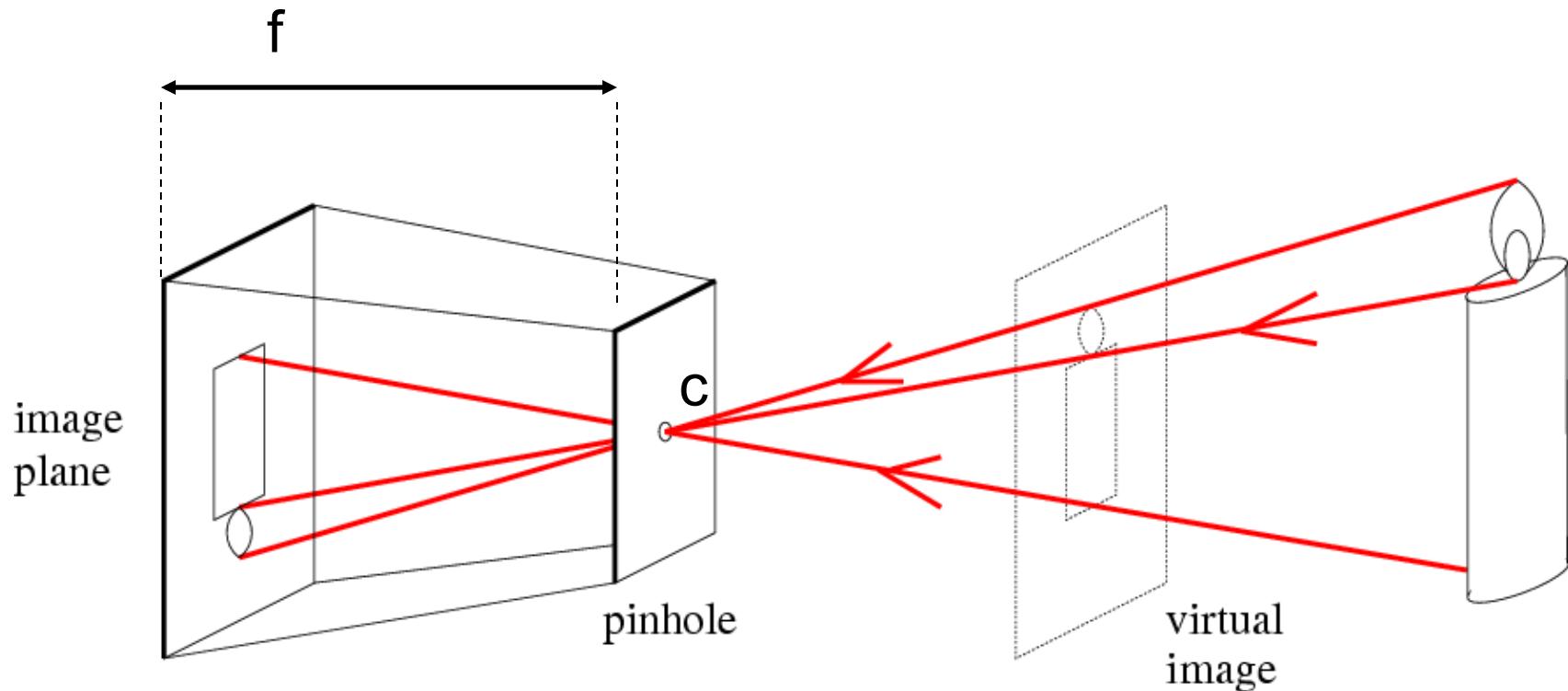


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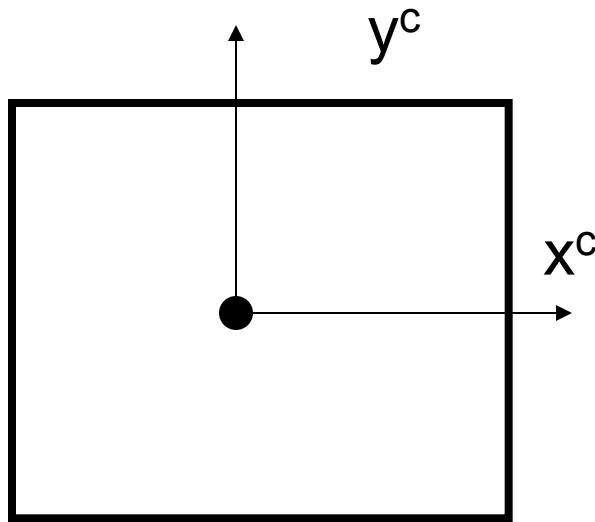
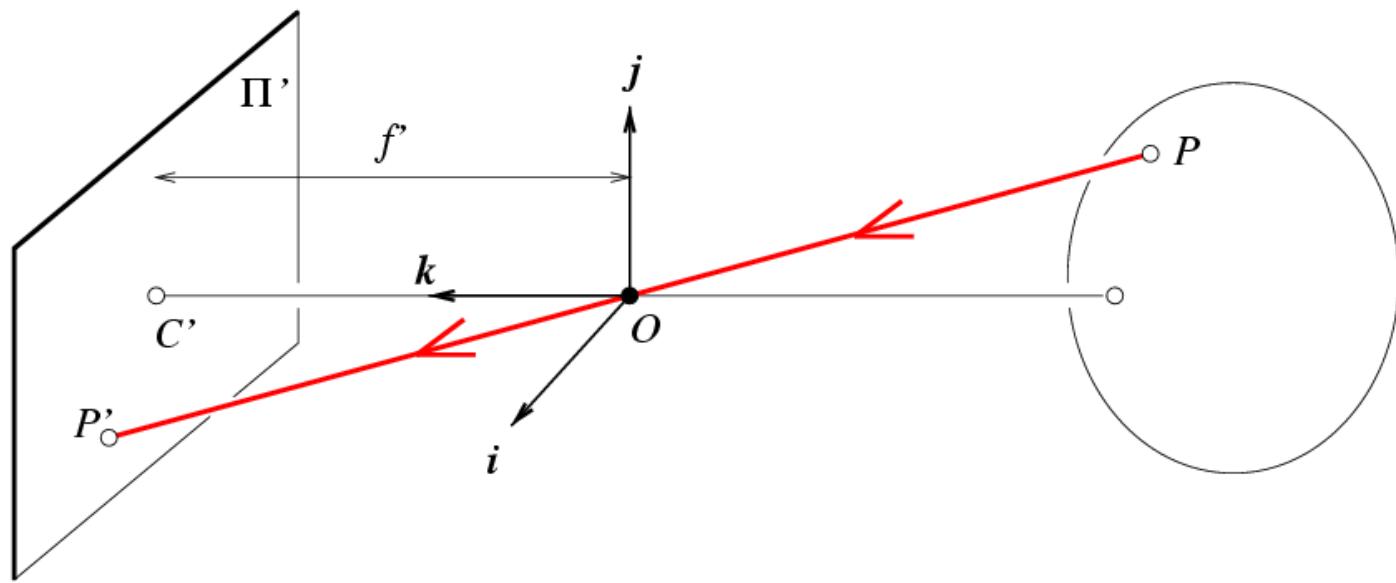
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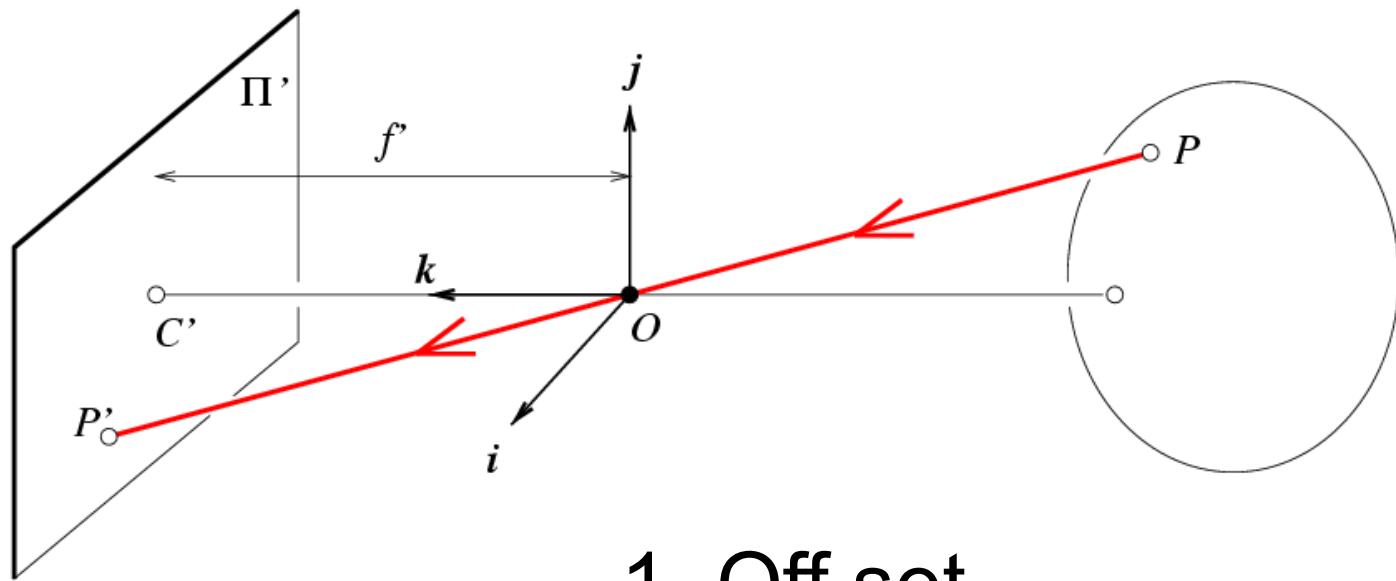
$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (f \frac{x}{z}, f \frac{y}{z})$$

$$\mathfrak{R}^3 \xrightarrow{E} \mathfrak{R}^2$$

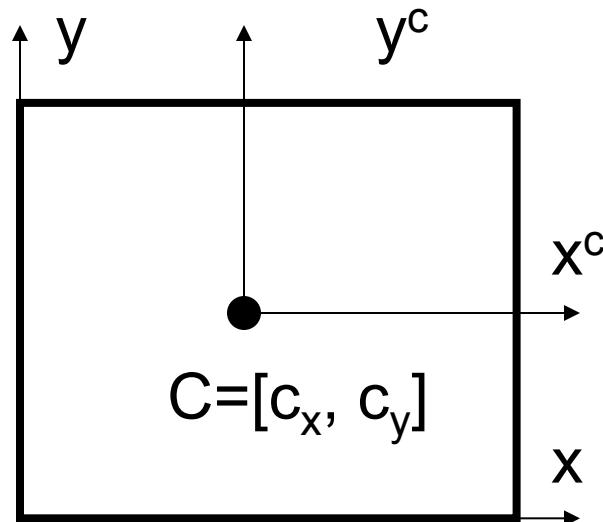
Coordinate systems



Converting to pixels

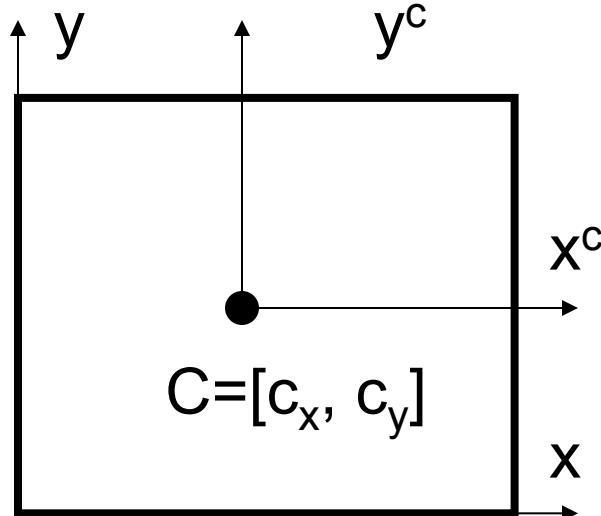
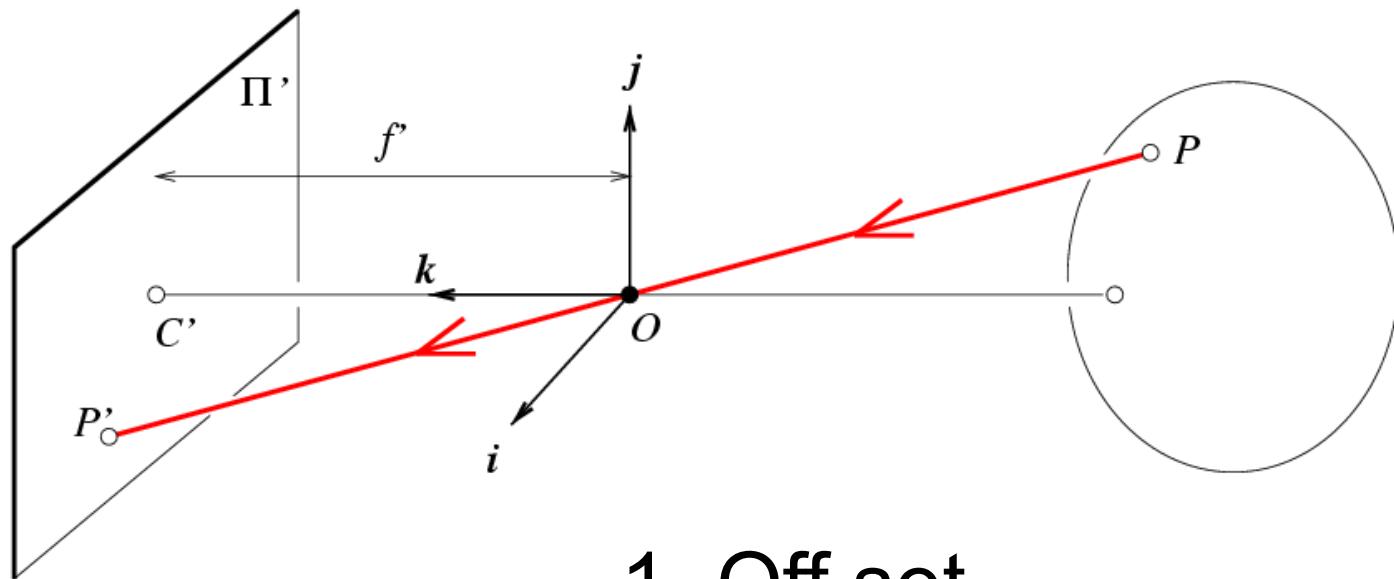


1. Off set



$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow \left(f \frac{x}{z} + c_x, f \frac{y}{z} + c_y \right)$$

Converting to pixels



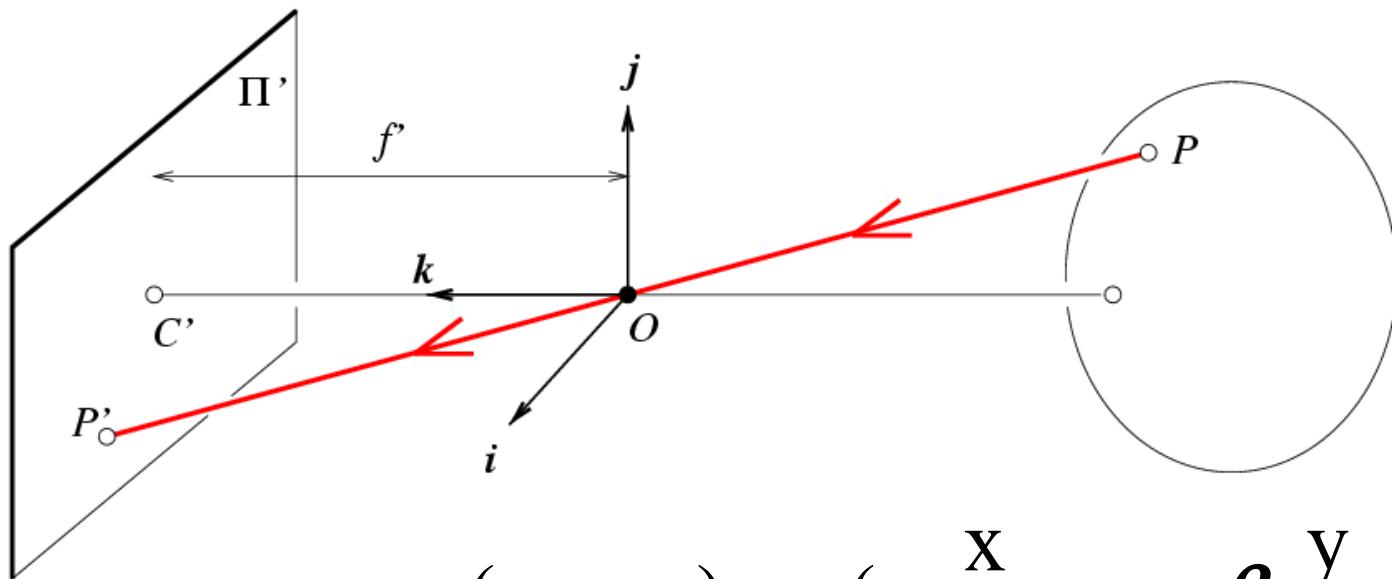
1. Off set
2. From metric to pixels

$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow \left(f k \frac{x}{z} + c_x, f l \frac{y}{z} + c_y \right)$$

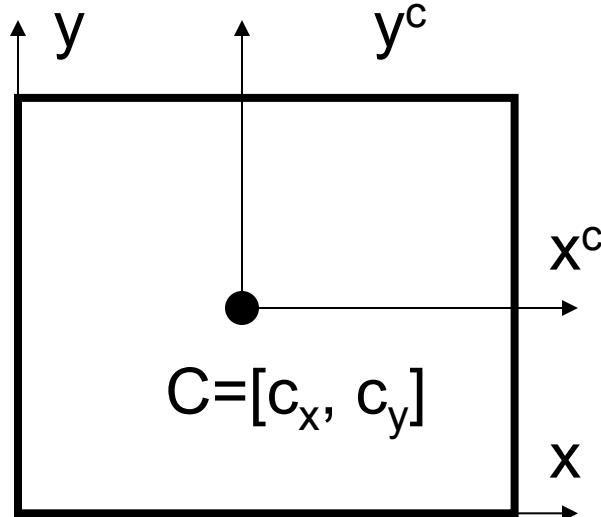
Units: k, l : pixel/m
 f : m

Non-square pixels
 α, β : pixel

Converting to pixels



$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (\alpha \frac{x}{z} + c_x, \beta \frac{y}{z} + c_y)$$



- Matrix form?

A related question:

- Is this a linear transformation?

$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow \left(f \frac{x}{z}, f \frac{y}{z} \right)$$

Is this a linear transformation?

No — division by z is nonlinear

How to make it linear?

Homogeneous coordinates

$$(x, y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous image
coordinates

$$(x, y, z) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous scene
coordinates

- Converting *from* homogeneous coordinates

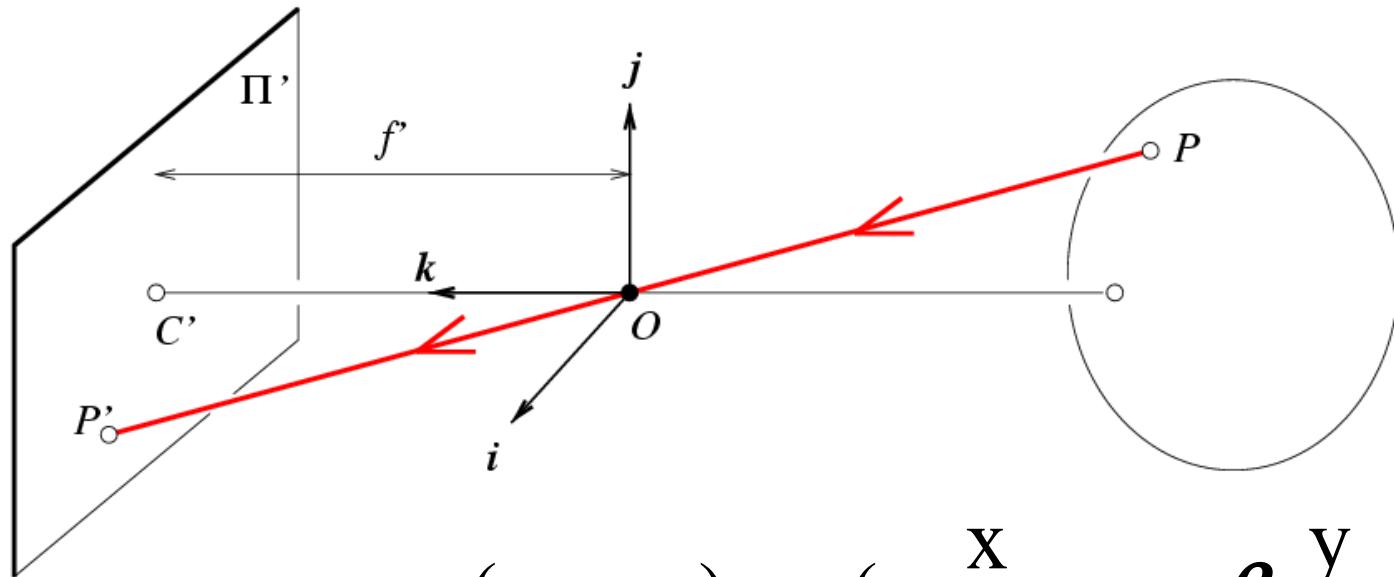
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w, z/w)$$

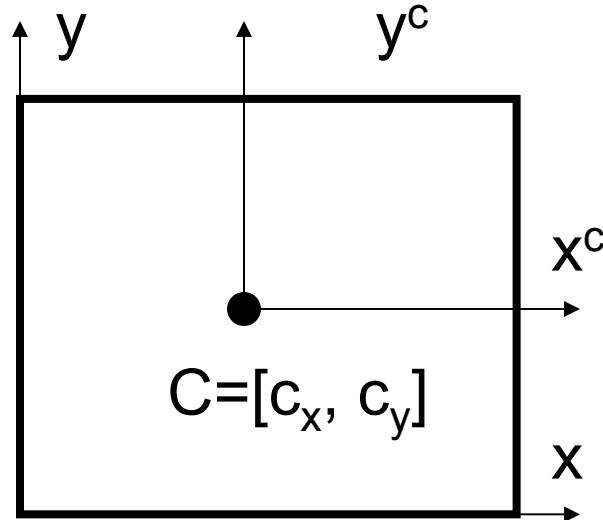
Perspective Projection Transformation

$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} f x \\ f y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$X' = M X$$
$$\mathfrak{R}^4 \xrightarrow{H} \mathfrak{R}^3$$

Camera Matrix

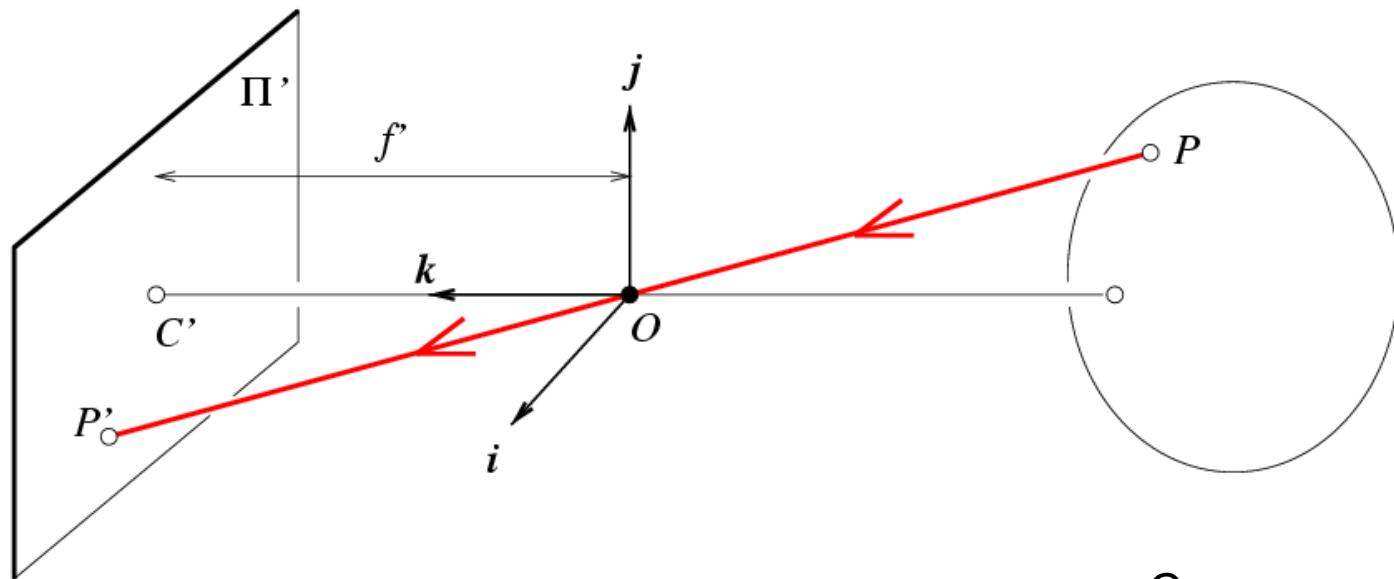


$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (\alpha \frac{x}{z} + c_x, \beta \frac{y}{z} + c_y)$$



$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x + c_x z \\ \beta y + c_y z \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & c_x & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & c_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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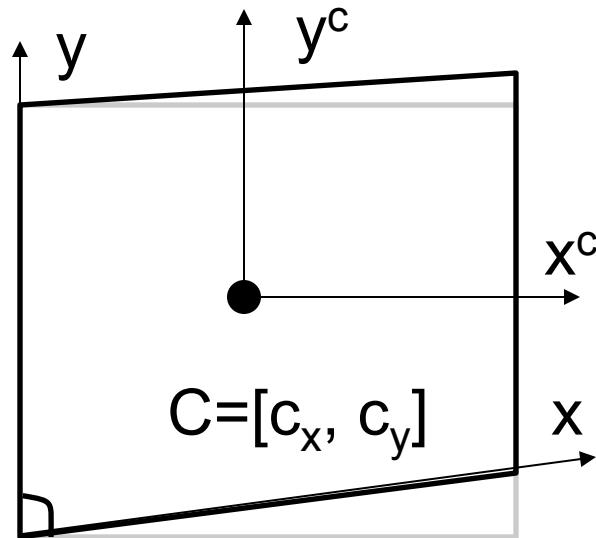
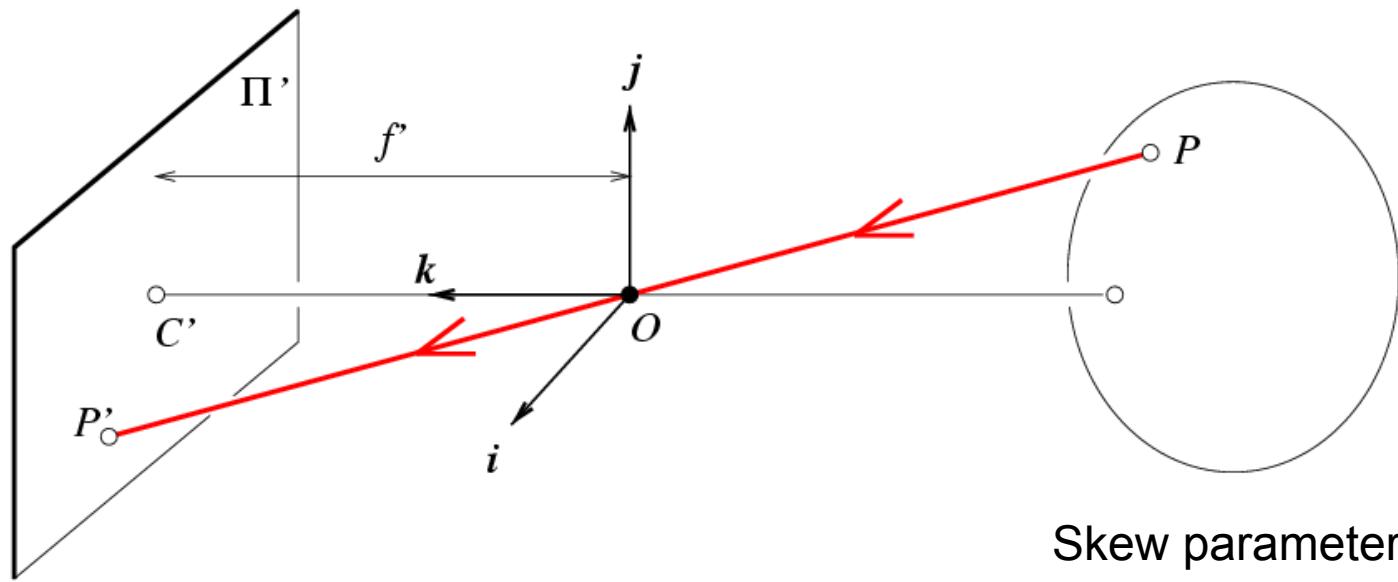


$$\begin{aligned} X' &= M X \\ &= K \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} X \end{aligned}$$

Camera matrix K

$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & \beta & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finite projective cameras

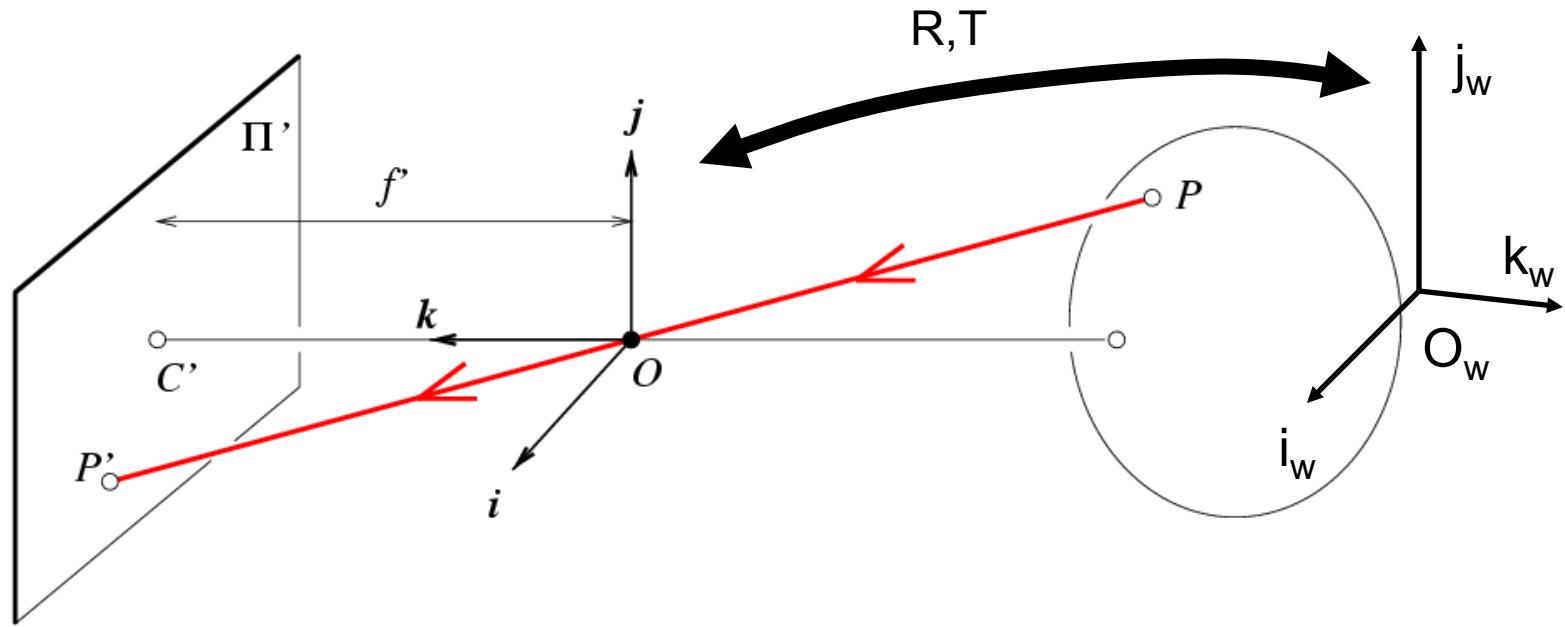


$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & s & c_x & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & c_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Skew parameter

K has 5 degrees of freedom!

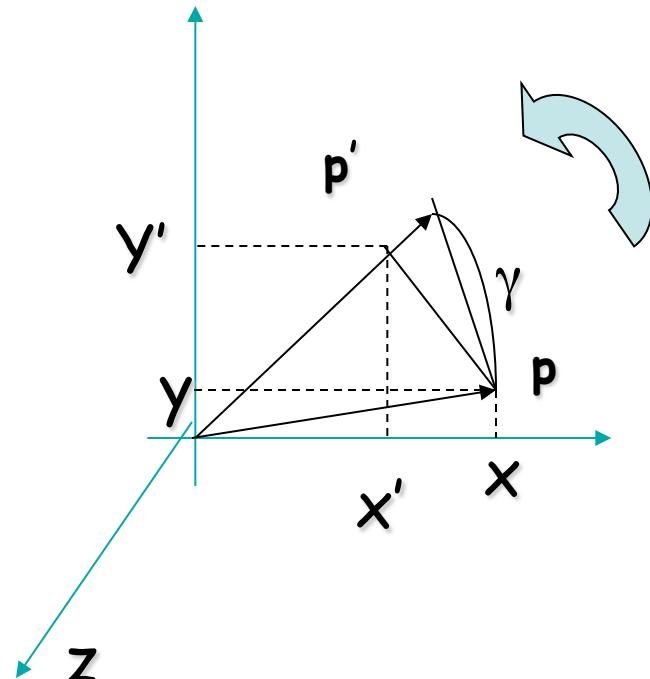
World reference system



- The mapping so far is defined within the camera reference system
- What if an object is represented in the world reference system

3D Rotation of Points

Rotation around the coordinate axes, **counter-clockwise**:

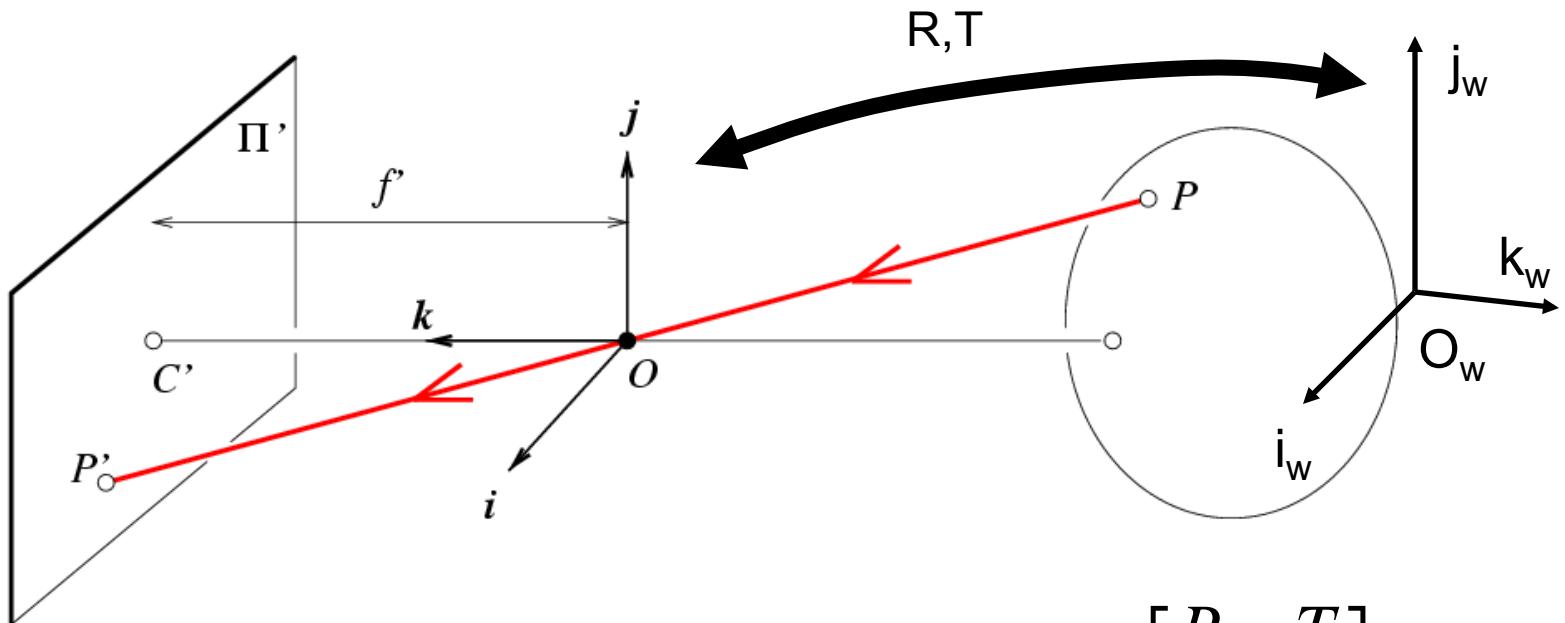


$$R_x(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_y(\beta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & \sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_z(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

World reference system

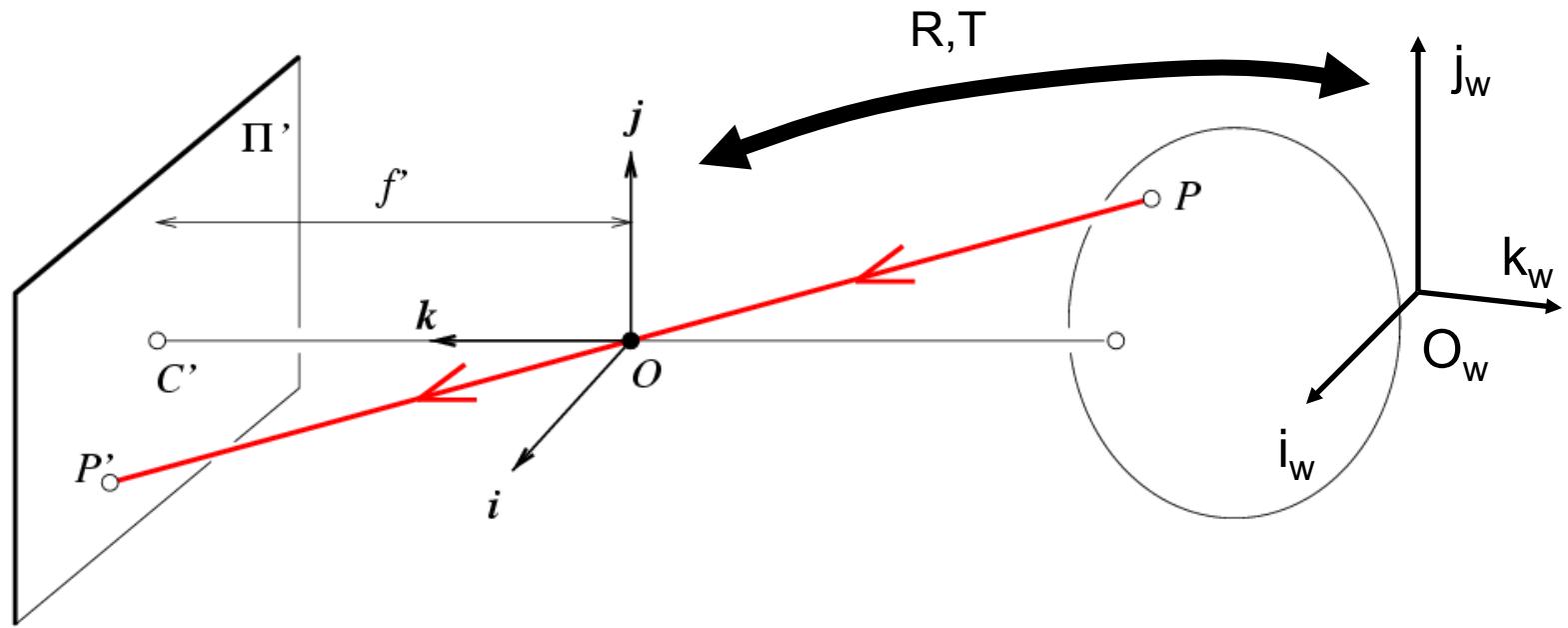


In 4D homogeneous coordinates: $X = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ W \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 1}$

$$X' = K \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} X = K \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4} X_w = \boxed{K \begin{bmatrix} R & T \end{bmatrix}} X_w$$

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Projective cameras

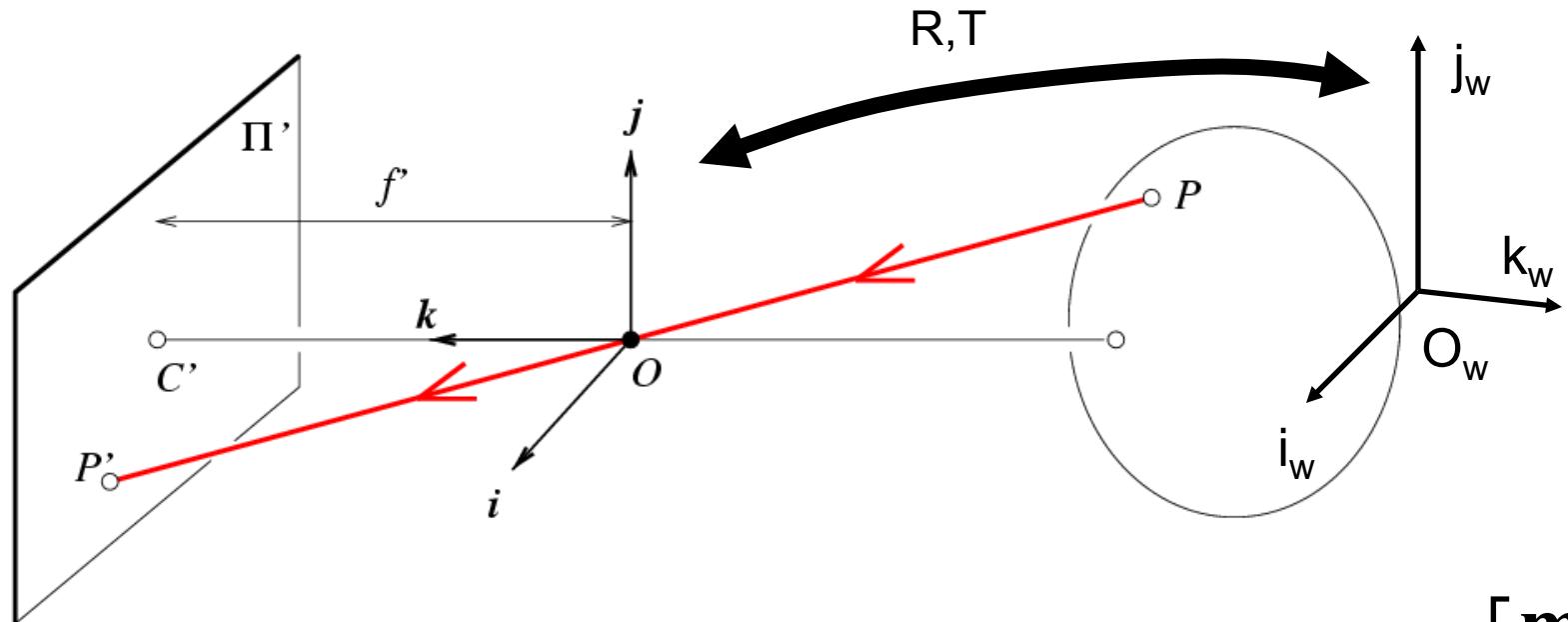


$$X'_{3 \times 1} = M_{3 \times 4} X_w = K_{3 \times 3} [R \quad T]_{3 \times 4} X_w \quad K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & s & c_x \\ 0 & \beta & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

How many degrees of freedom?

$$5 + 3 + 3 = 11!$$

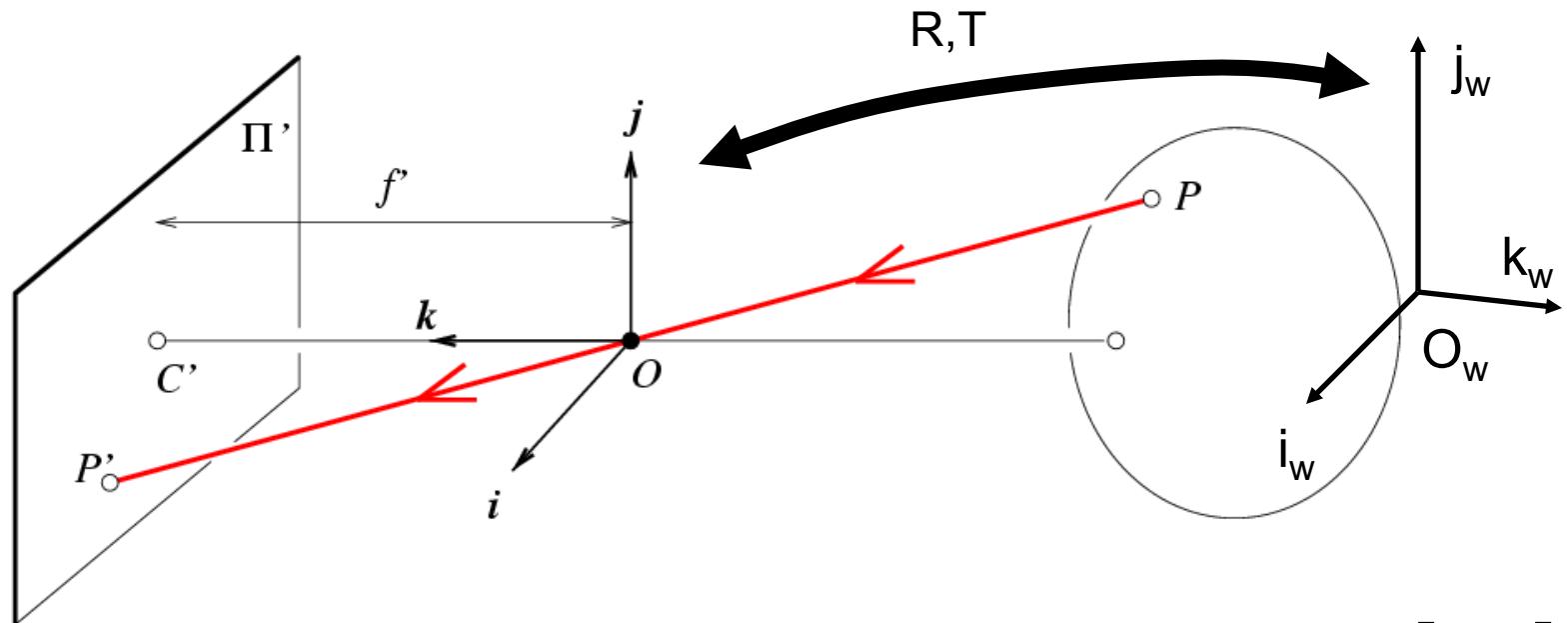
Projective cameras



$$X'_{3 \times 1} = M X_w = K_{3 \times 3} [R \quad T]_{3 \times 4} X_w{}_{4 \times 1} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix} X_w = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 X_w \\ \mathbf{m}_2 X_w \\ \mathbf{m}_3 X_w \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{E}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_1 X_w}{\mathbf{m}_3 X_w}, \frac{\mathbf{m}_2 X_w}{\mathbf{m}_3 X_w} \right) = (x, y, z)_w$$

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$$(x, y, z)_w \rightarrow \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_1 X_w}{\mathbf{m}_3 X_w}, \frac{\mathbf{m}_2 X_w}{\mathbf{m}_3 X_w} \right)$$

M is defined up to scale!
Multiplying M by a scalar
won't change the image

Theorem (Faugeras, 1993)

$$M = K \begin{bmatrix} R & T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} KR & KT \end{bmatrix} = [A \quad b]$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & s & c_x \\ 0 & \beta & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha} = f k; \quad \boldsymbol{\beta} = f l \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A necessary and sufficient condition for \mathcal{M} to be a perspective projection matrix is that $\text{Det}(\mathcal{A}) \neq 0$.
- A necessary and sufficient condition for \mathcal{M} to be a zero-skew perspective projection matrix is that $\text{Det}(\mathcal{A}) \neq 0$ and

$$(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot (\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) = 0.$$

- A necessary and sufficient condition for \mathcal{M} to be a perspective projection matrix with zero skew and unit aspect-ratio is that $\text{Det}(\mathcal{A}) \neq 0$ and

$$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot (\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) = 0, \\ (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) = (\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot (\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3). \end{cases}$$

Properties of Projection

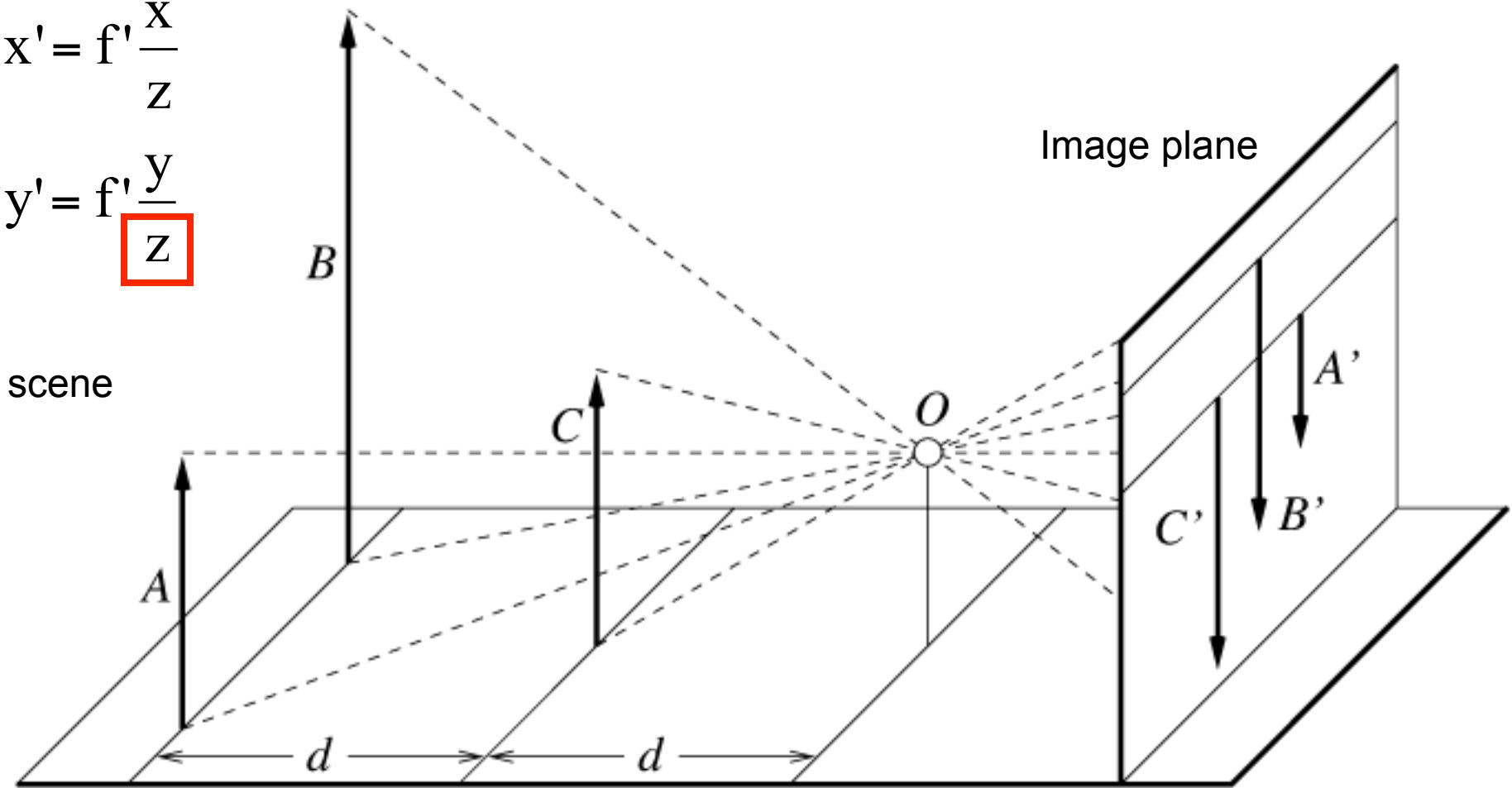
- Points project to points
- Lines project to lines
- Distant objects look smaller



Properties of Projection

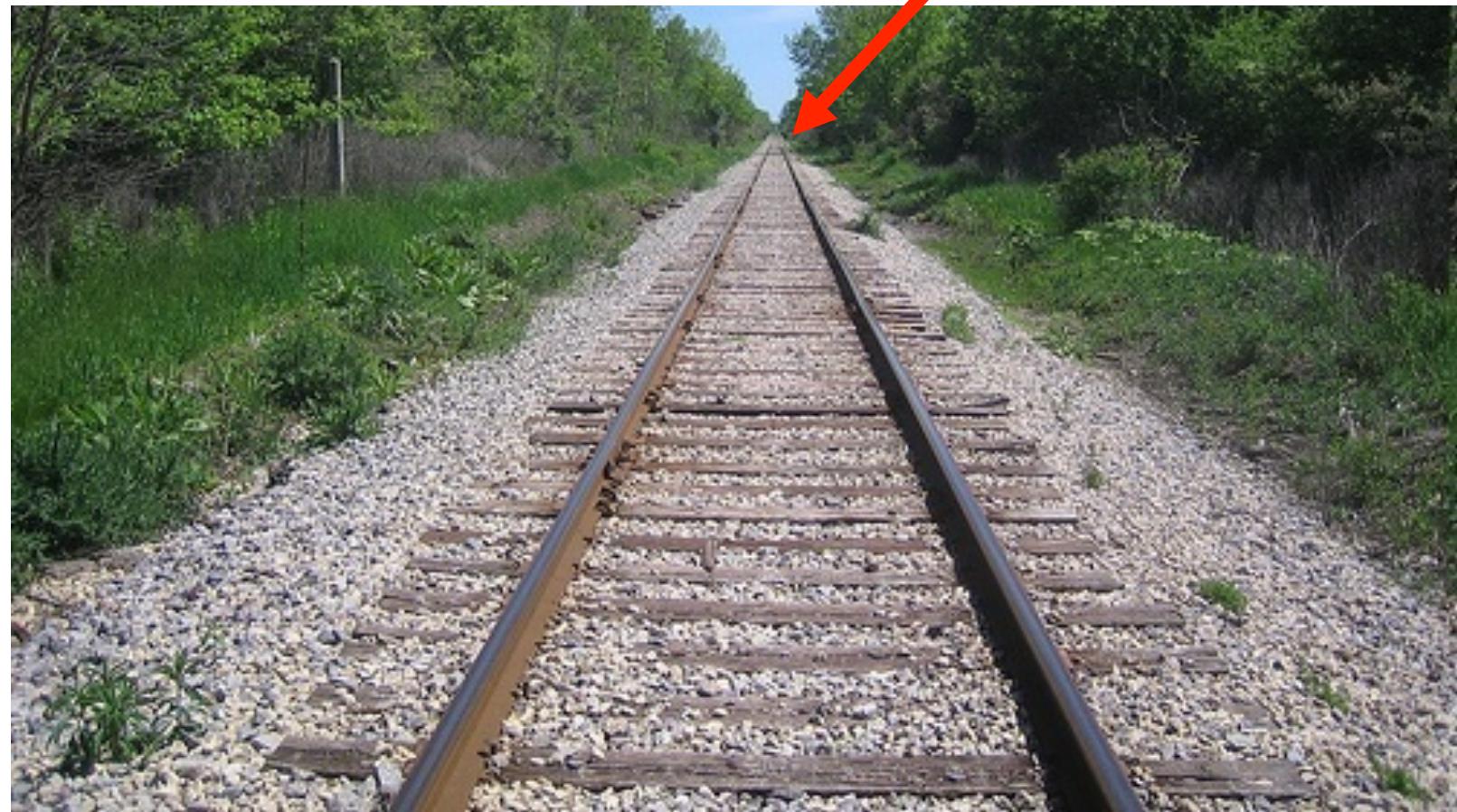
- Distant objects look smaller

$$\begin{cases} x' = f' \frac{x}{z} \\ y' = f' \frac{y}{z} \end{cases}$$



Properties of Projection

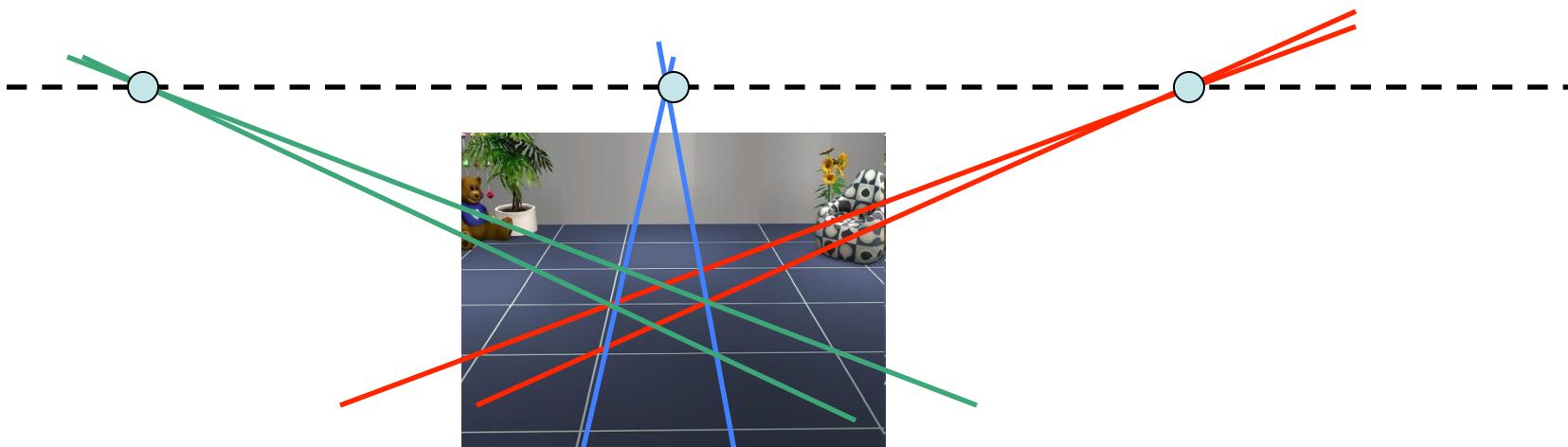
- Angles are not preserved
- Parallel lines meet!



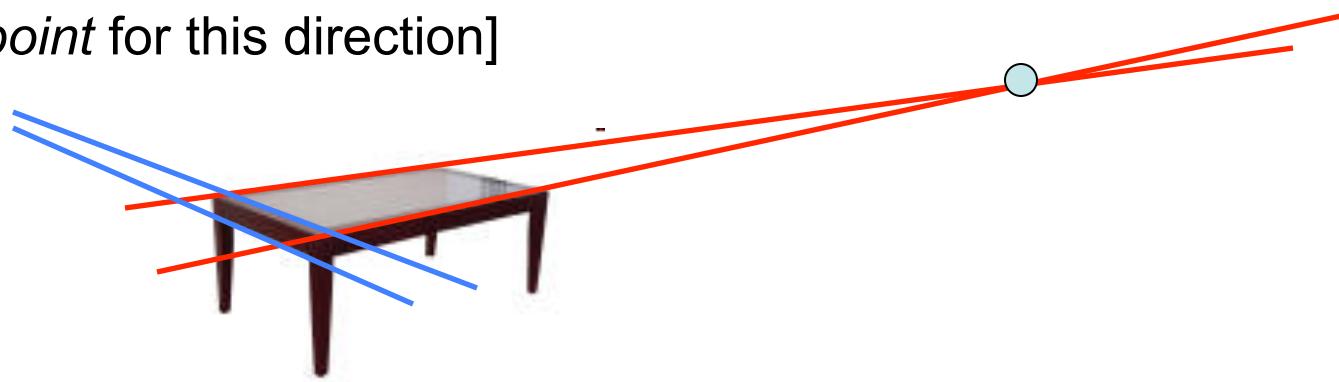
Vanishing point

Vanishing points

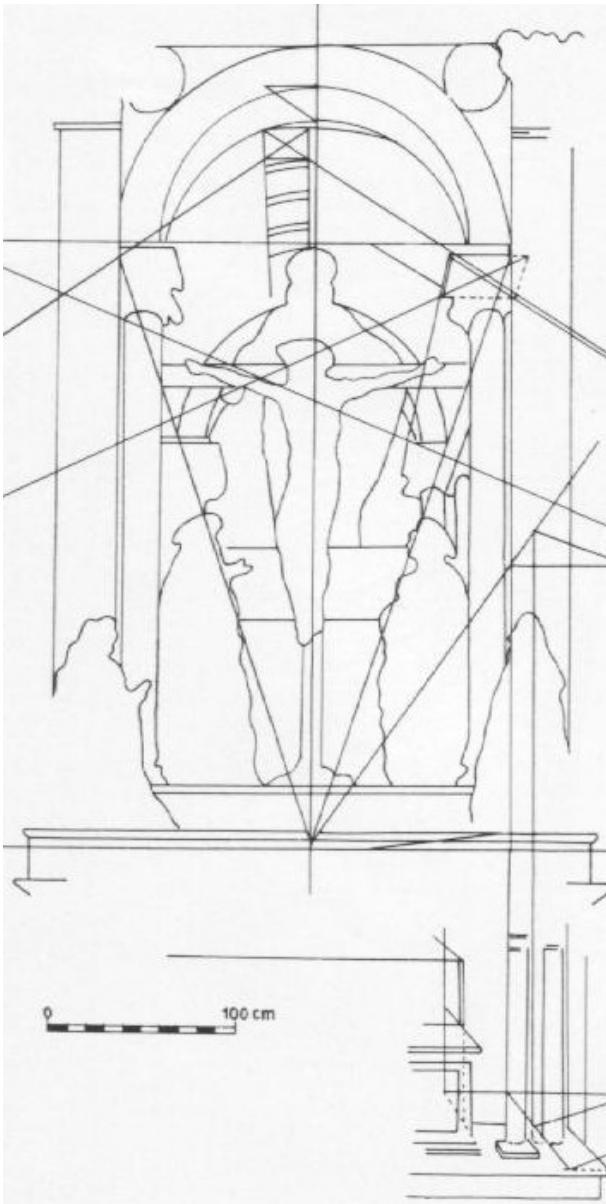
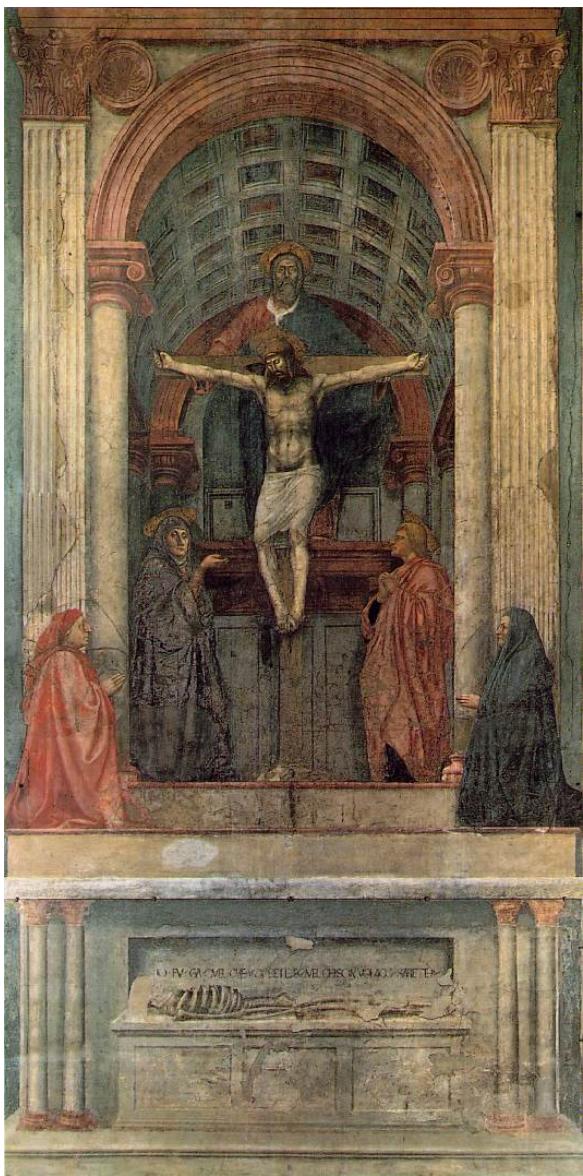
- Sets of parallel lines on the same plane lead to *collinear* vanishing points [The line is called the *horizon* for that plane]



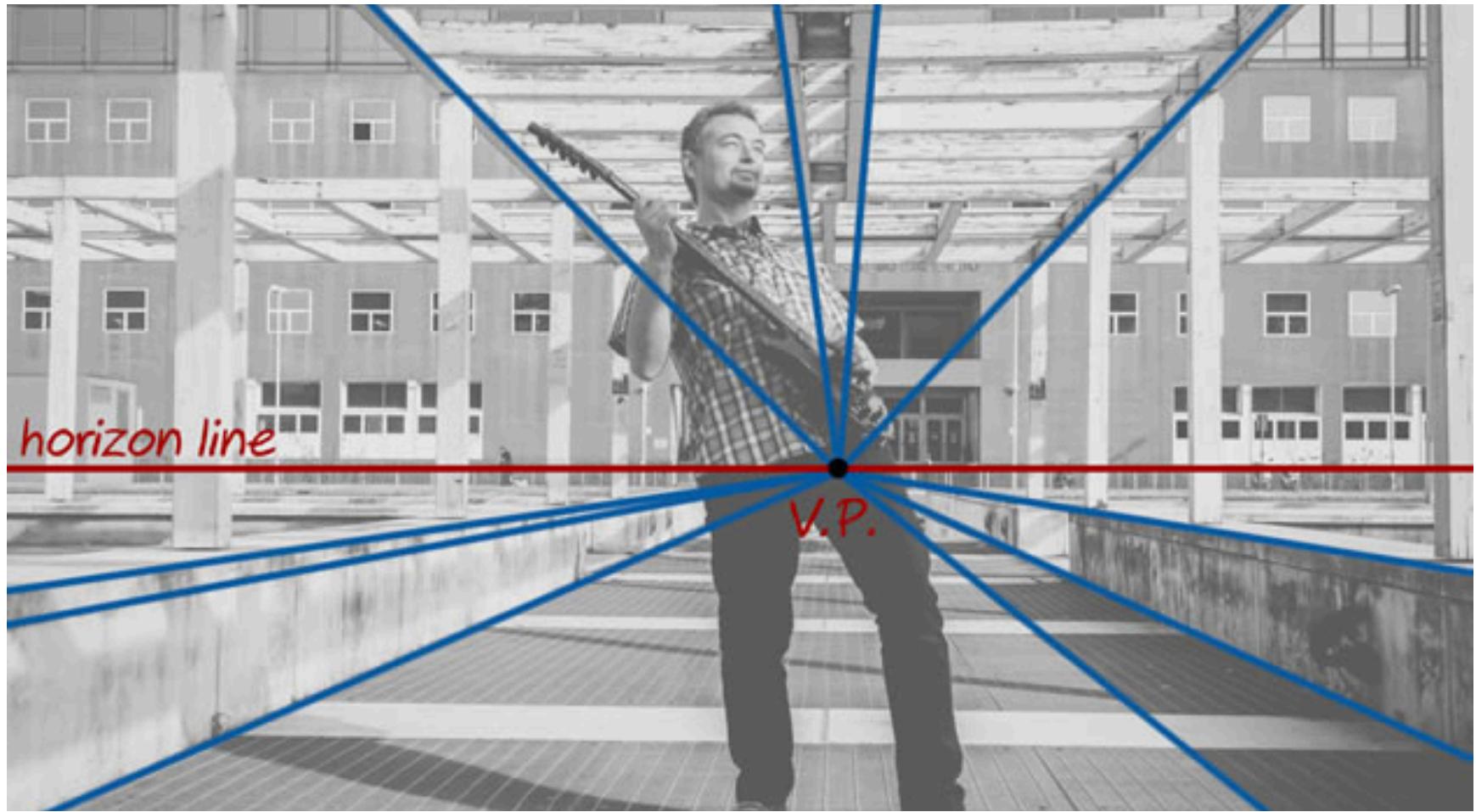
- Each set of parallel lines meets at a different point
[The *vanishing point* for this direction]



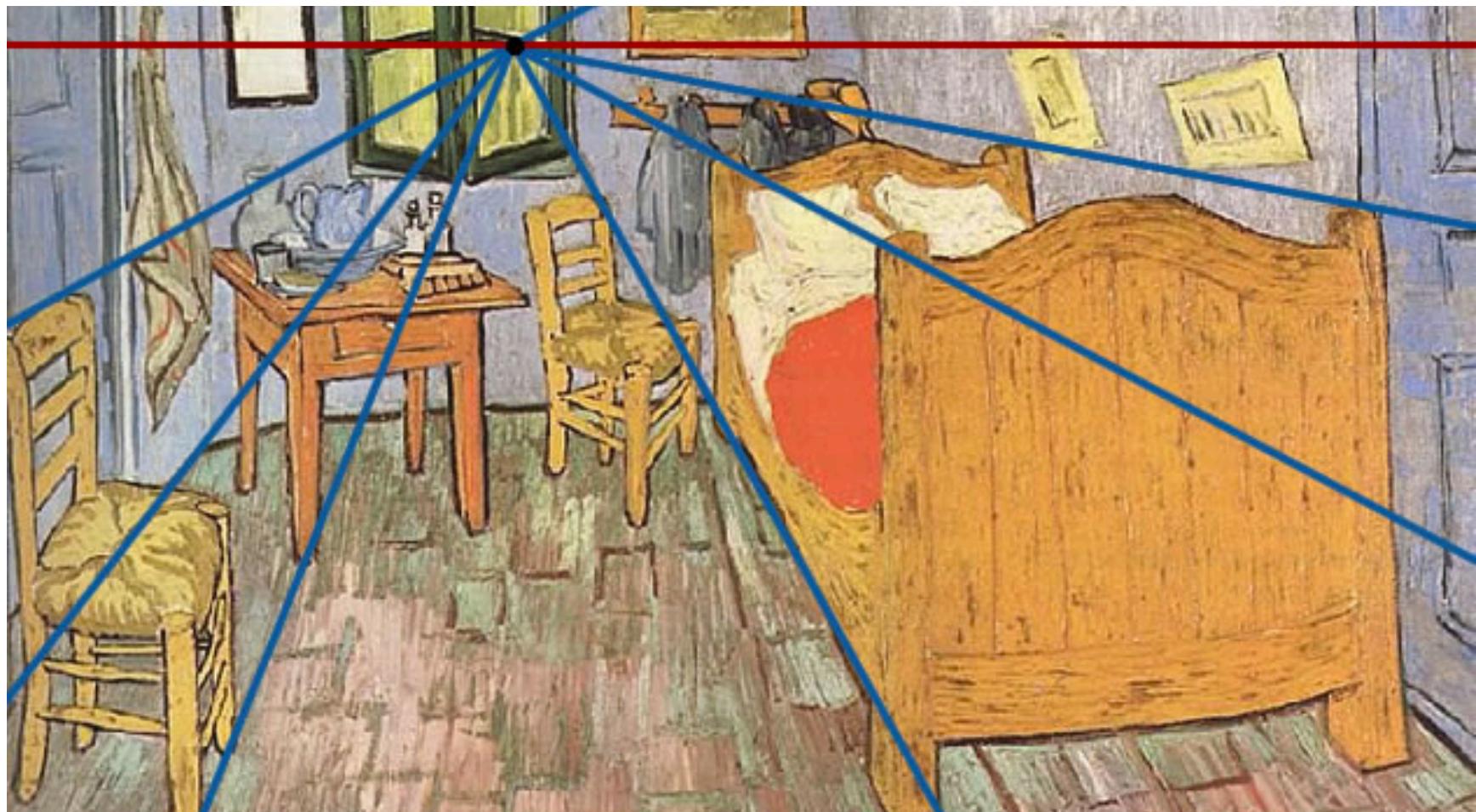
One-point perspective

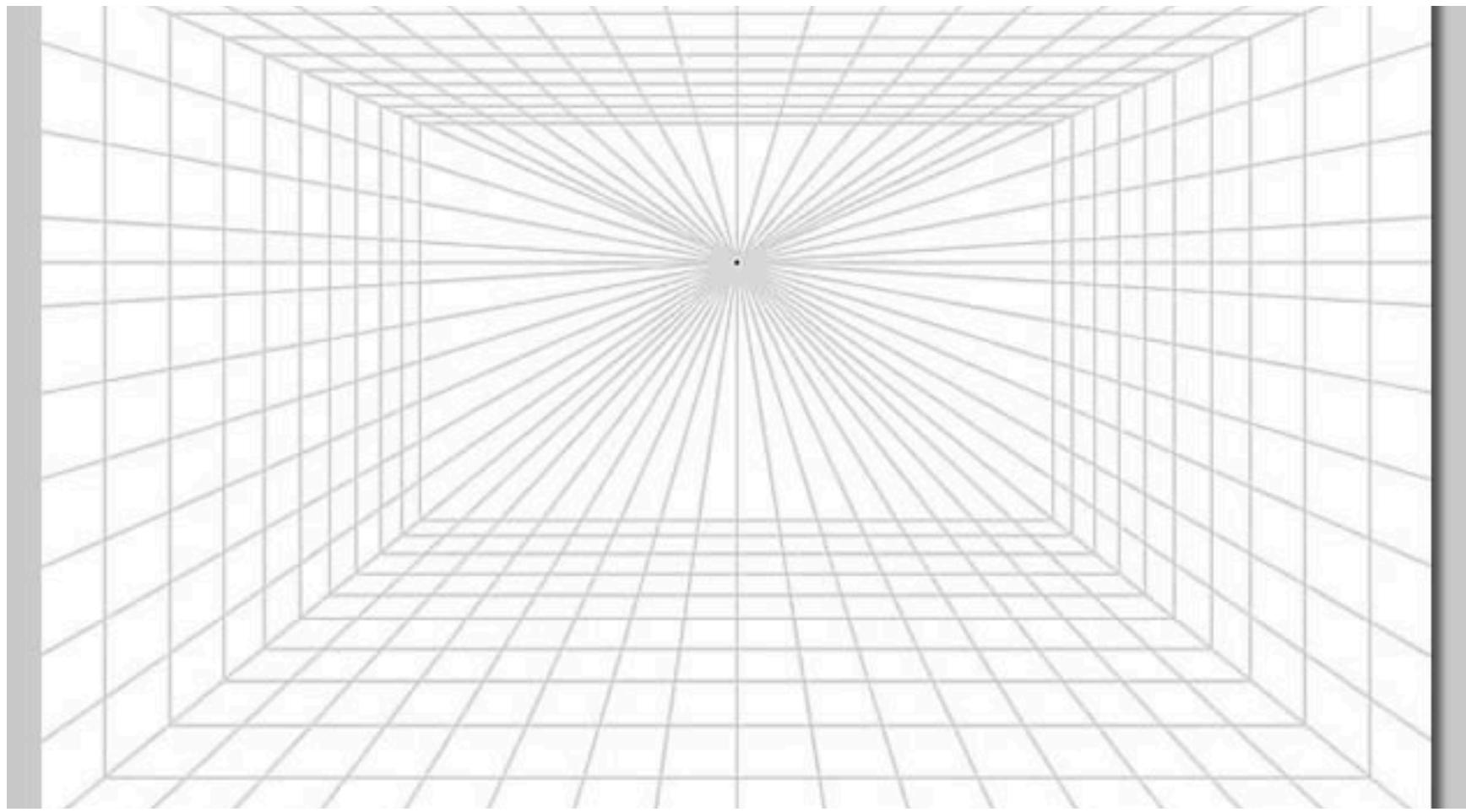


- Masaccio, *Trinity*, Santa Maria Novella, Florence, 1425-28





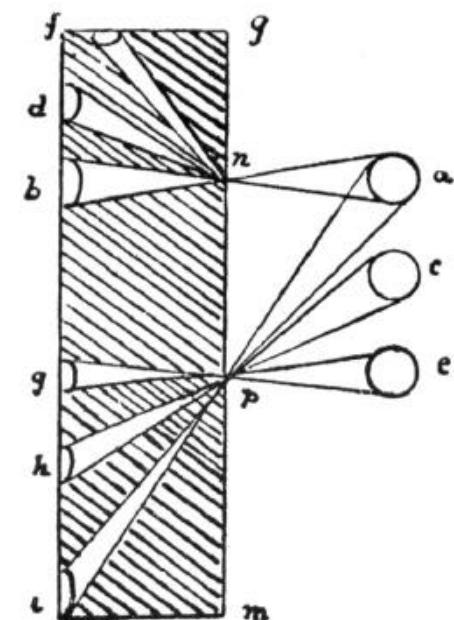
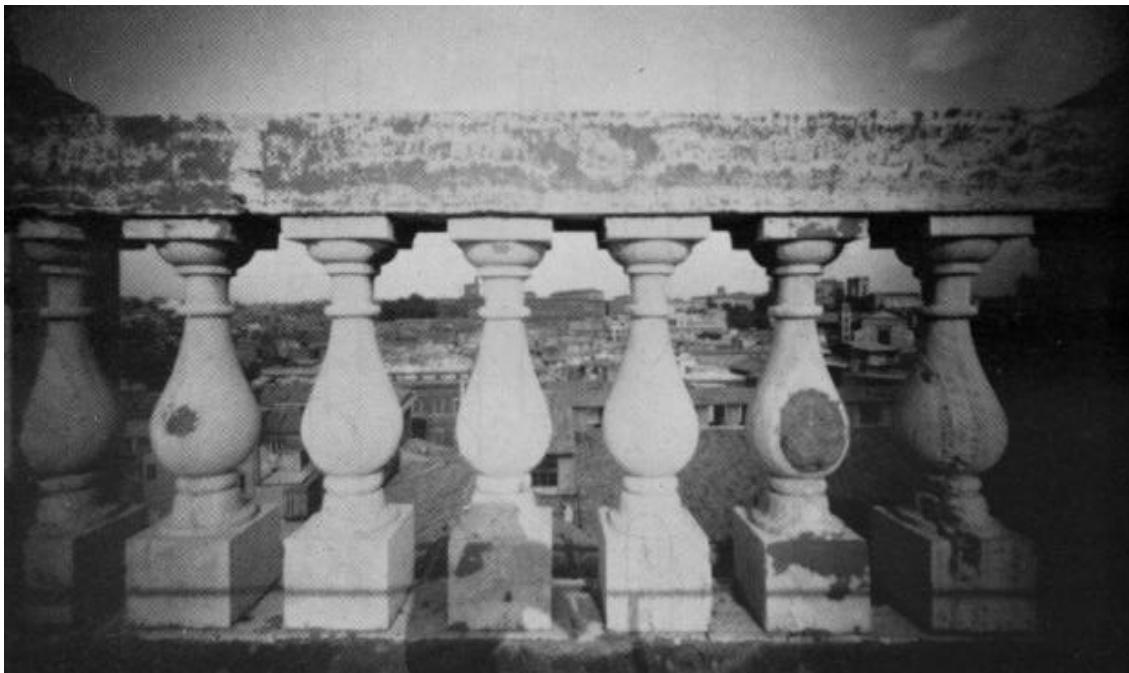




Properties of Projection

Objects on the periphery are expanded

- The exterior columns appear bigger
- The distortion is not due to lens flaws
- Problem pointed out by DaVinci

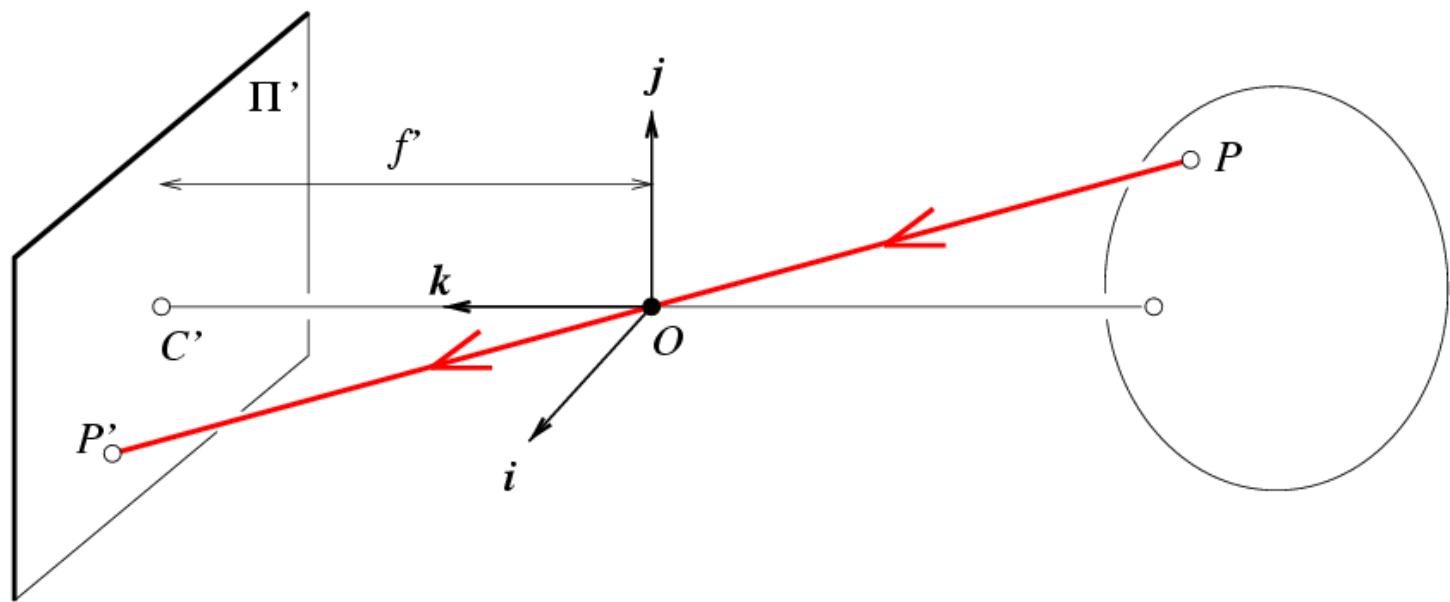


Slide by F. Durand

Credit slide S. Lazebnik

Properties of Projection

- Degenerate cases
 - Line through focal point projects to a point.
 - Plane through focal point projects to line
 - Plane perpendicular to image plane projects to part of the image (with horizon).

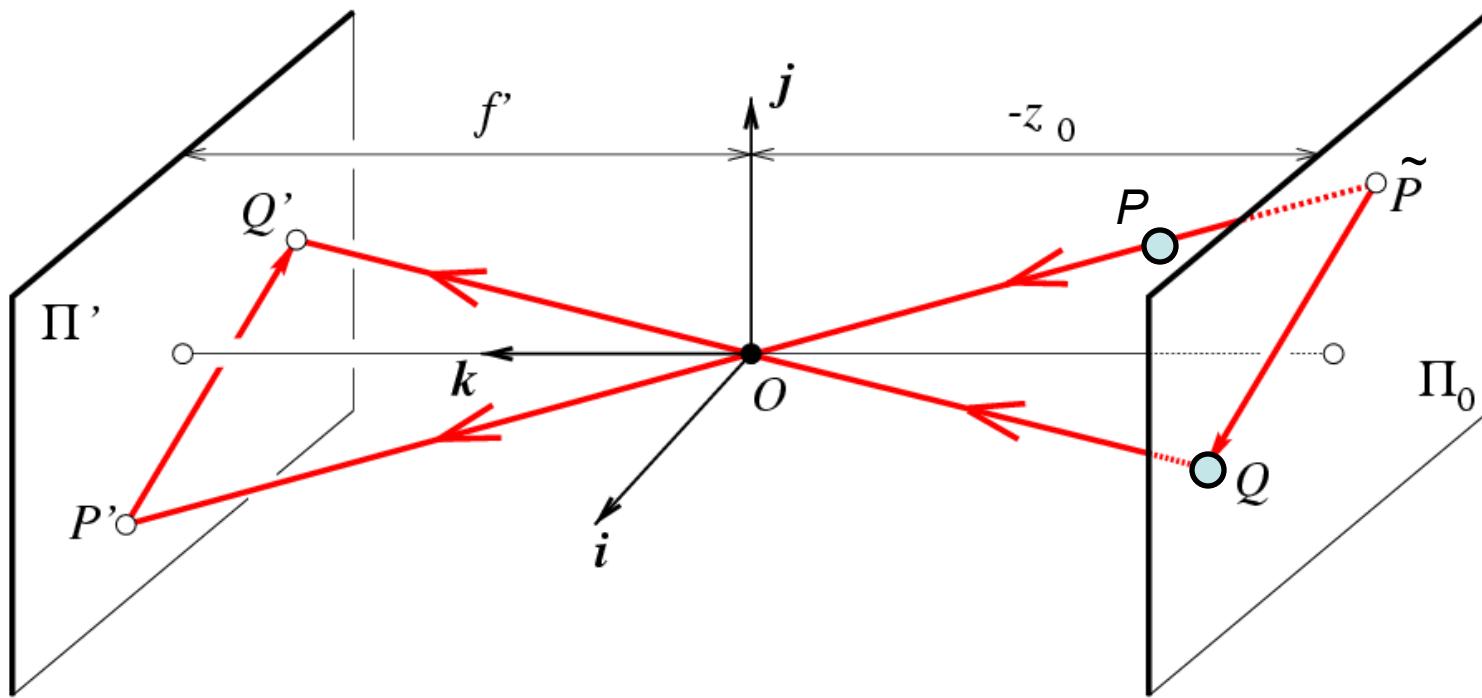


Cameras

- Pinhole cameras
- Cameras & lenses
- The geometry of pinhole cameras
- Other camera models

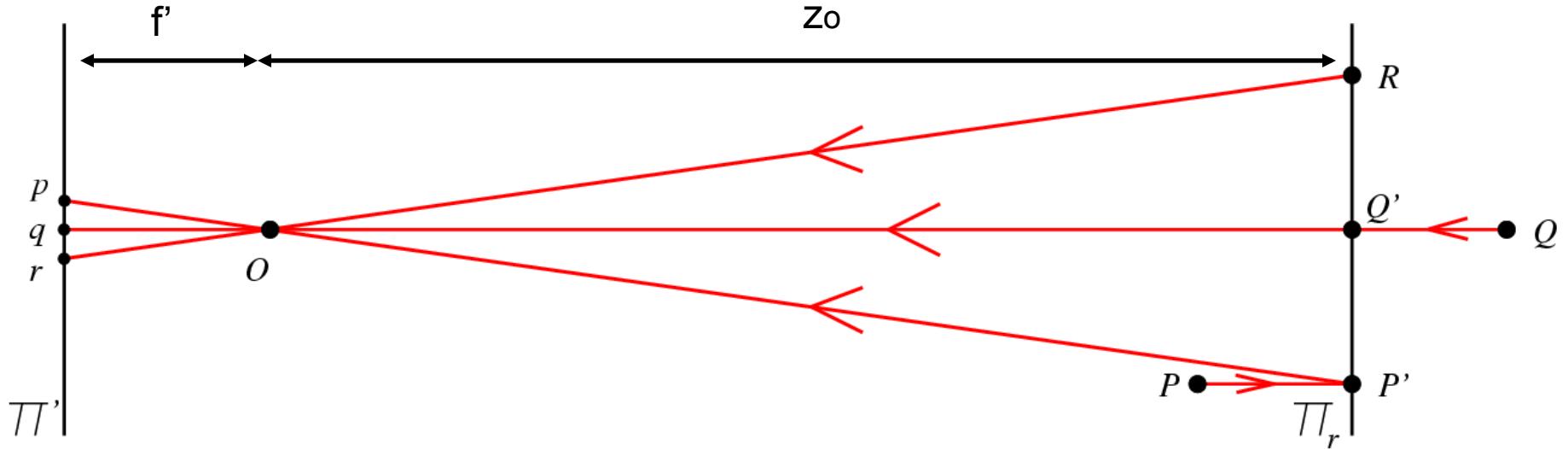
Weak perspective projection

When the relative scene depth is small compared to its distance from the camera



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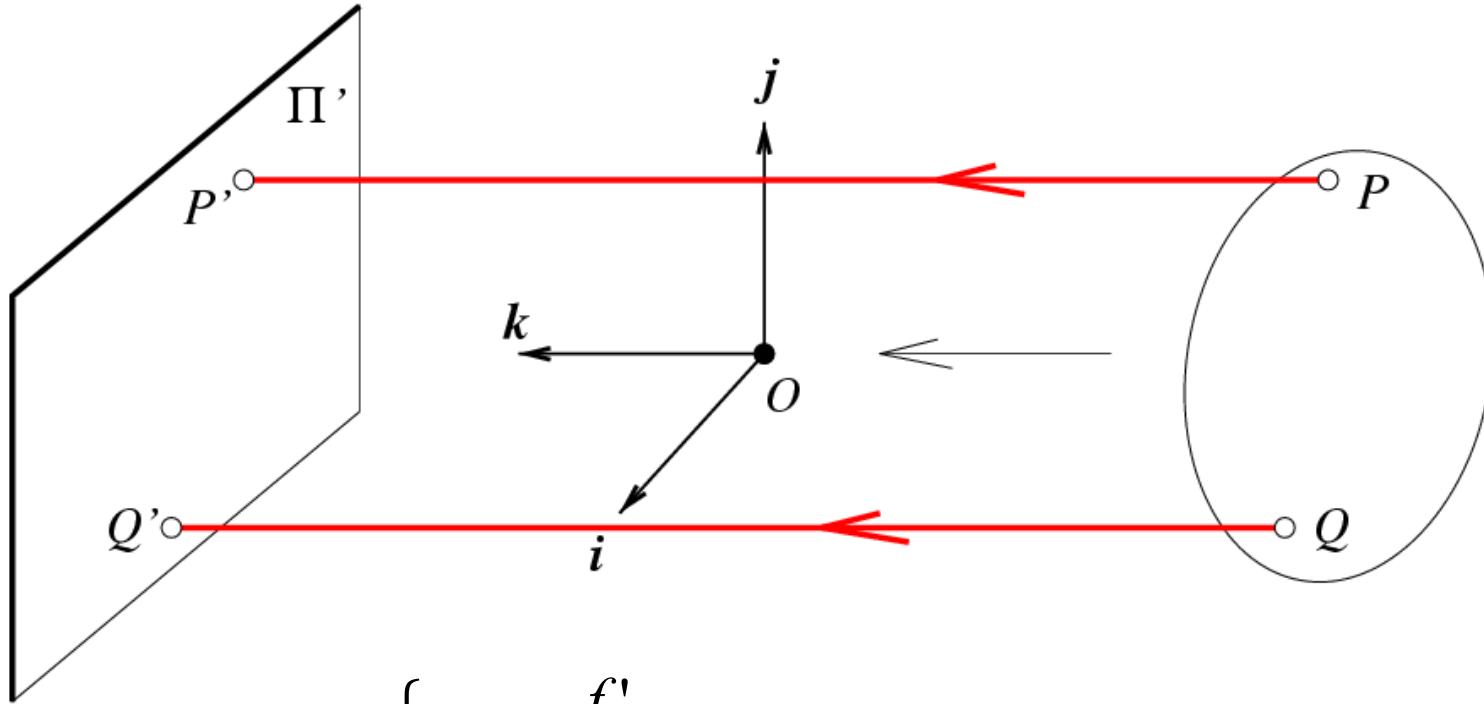
$$\begin{cases} x' = -\frac{f'}{z} x \\ y' = -\frac{f'}{z} y \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x' = -\frac{f'}{z_0} x \\ y' = -\frac{f'}{z_0} y \end{cases}$$

Magnification m

A curved bracket above the second equation indicates a transformation or approximation step, leading to the final result where the focal length f' is divided by the scene depth z_0 .

Orthographic (affine) projection

Distance from center of projection to image plane is infinite

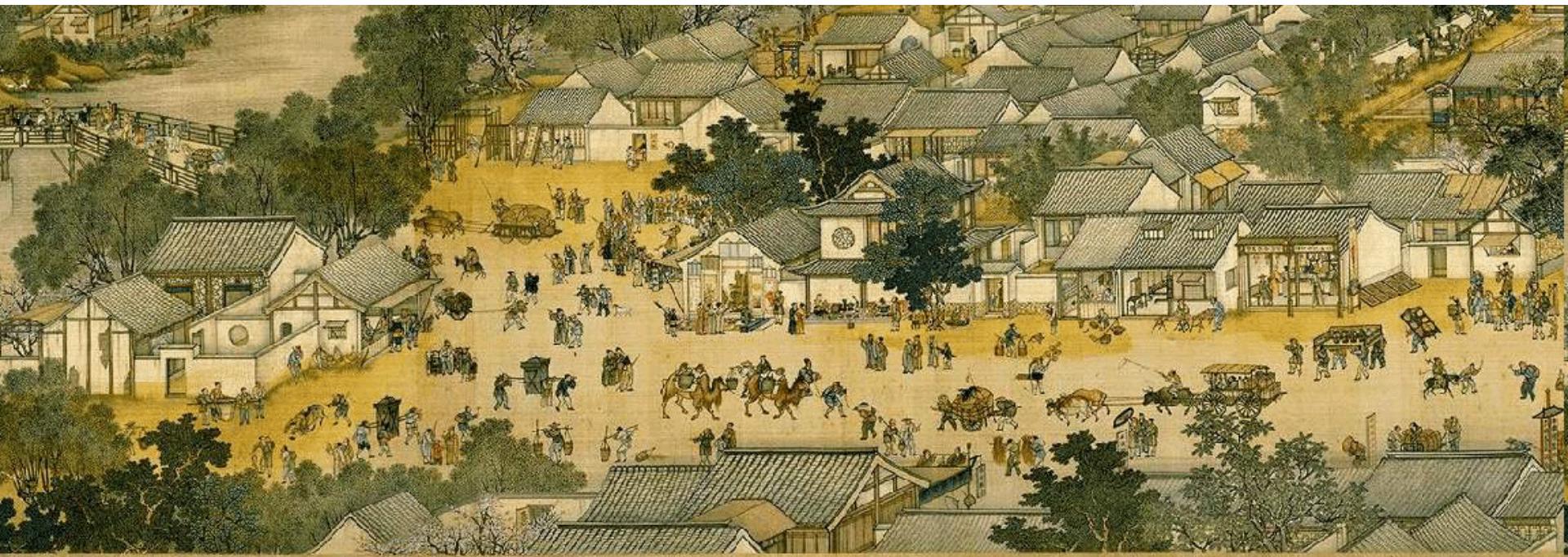


$$\begin{cases} x' = -\frac{f'}{z} x \\ y' = -\frac{f'}{z} y \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x' = -x \\ y' = -y \end{cases}$$

Pros and Cons of These Models

- Weak perspective much simpler math.
 - Accurate when object is small and distant.
 - Most useful for recognition.
- Pinhole perspective much more accurate for scenes.
 - Used in structure from motion.

Weak perspective projection

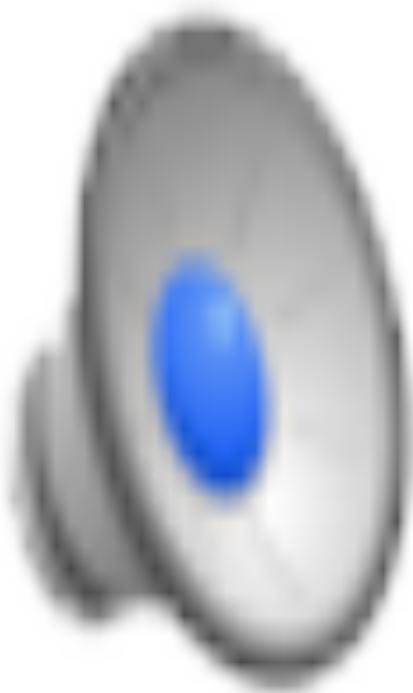


Qingming Festival by the Riverside Zhang Zeduan ~900 AD



The Kangxi Emperor's Southern Inspection Tour (1691-1698) By Wang Hui





Next lecture

- How to calibrate a camera?