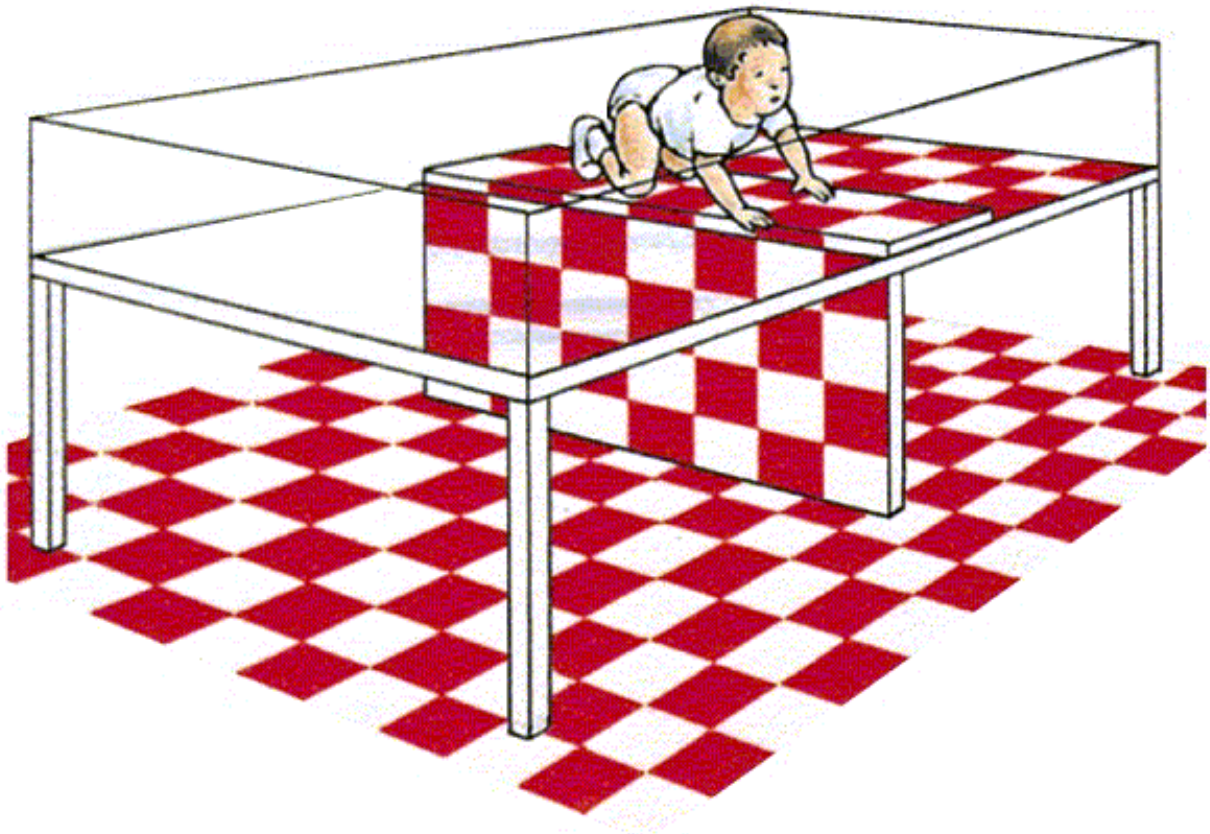




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## **Depth perception**

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# 1 Introduction

Depth perception. What cues does the brain use to infer depth in the visual scene? Under what conditions do the various cues operate? In particular, explain what is meant by "stereopsis" and "binocular disparity" and how these are used in the construction of stereograms and autostereograms.(Abrams & Yantis, 2017)

# 2 Theory

Going through the theory in the book *Sensation and perception*, to categorize the different depth cues a tree was made, and to give structure to my essay, I remade a copy of it as seen Figure 1, and will utilize this for presenting my findings and answering the topic questions.

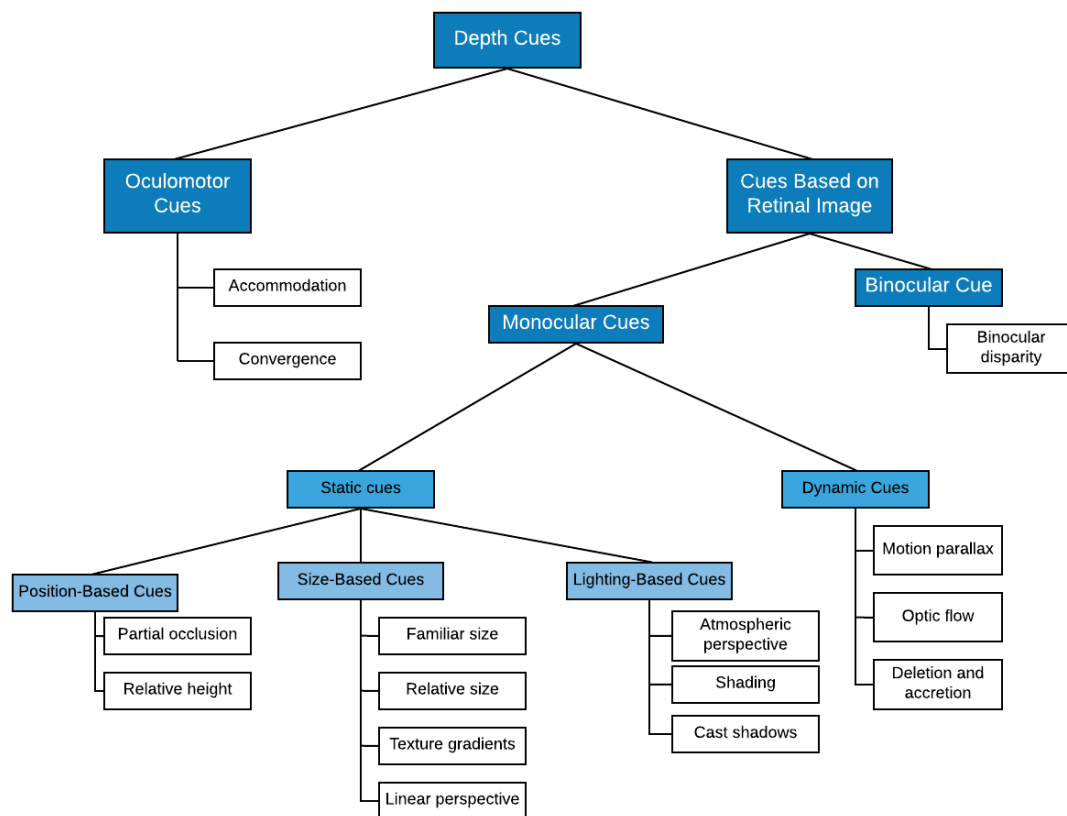


Figure 1: All the depth cues from the book, *Sensation and Perception*(Abrams & Yantis, 2017), the figure was made as a copy from the figure on page 195.

## 2.1 Oculomotor depth cues

### 2.1.1 Accommodation

Focusing on objects, not very much depth data.

### **2.1.2 Convergence**

Eyes angle moving closer together, objects closer to eyes.

## **2.2 Monocular Depth cues**

Retinal image information

### **2.2.1 Static cues**

Cues that require no movement

#### **2.2.1.1 Partial Occlusion**

Objects that covers each other

#### **2.2.1.2 Relative Height**

The position of objects in relation to your eye level.

#### **2.2.1.3 Familiar Size**

Expectations of objects size, infer depth.

#### **2.2.1.4 Relative Size**

Golf ball size vs basketball size, if they seem identical in size, then the golf ball must be closer.

#### **2.2.1.5 Texture Gradients**

See a texture, that gets smaller, it looks like it is further away.

#### **2.2.1.6 Linear Perspective**

Parallel lines that get closer together, also infer depth.

#### **2.2.1.7 Atmospheric Perspective**

Due to the air and dust and such, further objects seem less "sharp"

#### **2.2.1.8 Shading**

Sun is natural and expected light, is above, gives shading on everything, gives expectations of depth. figure 6.16.

#### **2.2.1.9 Cast shadow**

Objects casting shadow, gives cue of their depth, due to where the shadow lands, and size of it.

### **2.2.2 Dynamic cues**

Cues involving movement.

#### **2.2.2.1 Motion Parallax**

Walk left to right, closer objects seem to move faster, than further away objects.

### **2.2.2.2 Optic Flow**

How objects further away from your focus point moves faster away in relation to your own movement.

### **2.2.2.3 Deletion & Accretion**

Deletion = Moving things disappearing behind shit.

Accretion = Moving things appearing from behind shit.

## **2.3 Stereopsis**

The sense of depth, coming from having like two eyes and shit.

## **2.4 binocular disparity**

Difference between the eyes and shit

## **2.5 Stereograms**

## **2.6 Autostereograms**

# **3 Discussion**

# **4 Conclusion**

## **References**

Abrams, R., & Yantis, S. (2017). *Sensation and perception* (Second ed.). Worth Publishers.