

# Scale Diagrams

- Have correct proportions (reflects reality)
- Useful because the diagram can be measured
- Scale factors provide the relationship  
Between the map and reality:

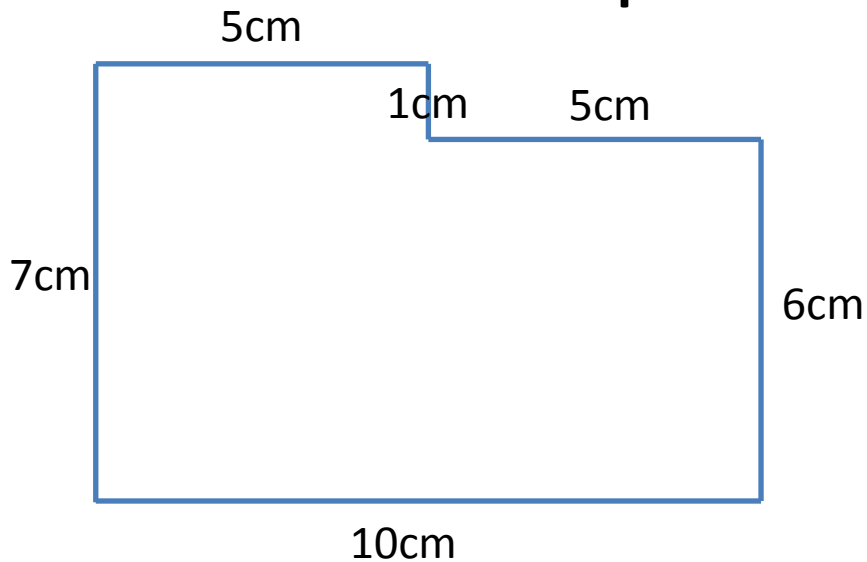
Example                      1cm : 2m

15cm on a map would mean  $(15)(2) = 30\text{m}$

Example: We are renovating a bedroom by

- replacing the baseboards (goes around the room where the wall meets the floor)
- installing new flooring

We obtain the plans for the room



Scale Factor

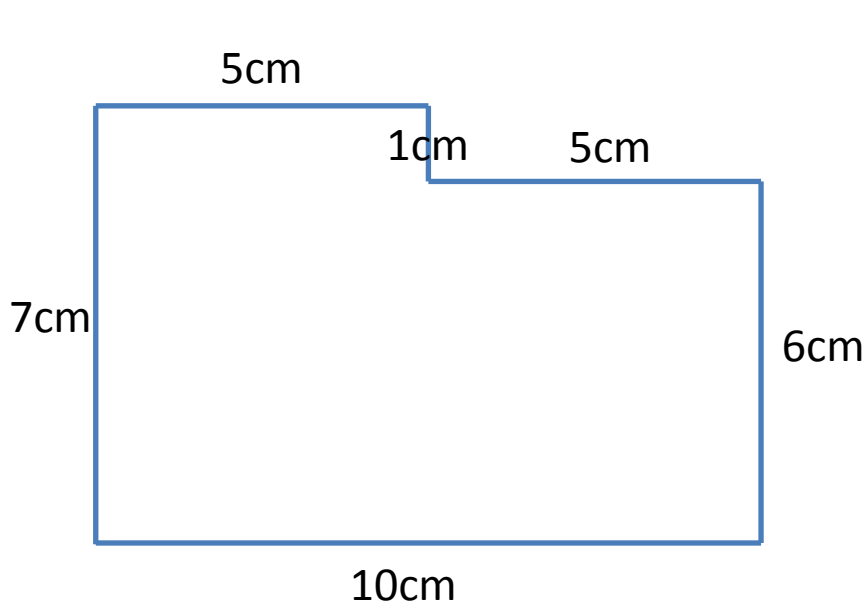
1cm:2ft

How long of a baseboard material  
Do we need to buy?

Perimeter:  $5+1+5+6+10+7 = 34\text{cm}$   
In reality:  $(34)(2) = \mathbf{68\text{ft}}$

Example: We are renovating a bedroom by  
-- replacing the baseboards  
-- installing new flooring

If we want the same room layout and proportion but bigger,  
We can increase the scale factor by adding **3 ft**  
What does that do to the perimeter?



Scale Factor

1cm:5ft (2+3)

How long of a baseboard material  
Do we need to buy?

Perimeter:  $5+1+5+6+10+7 = 34\text{cm}$

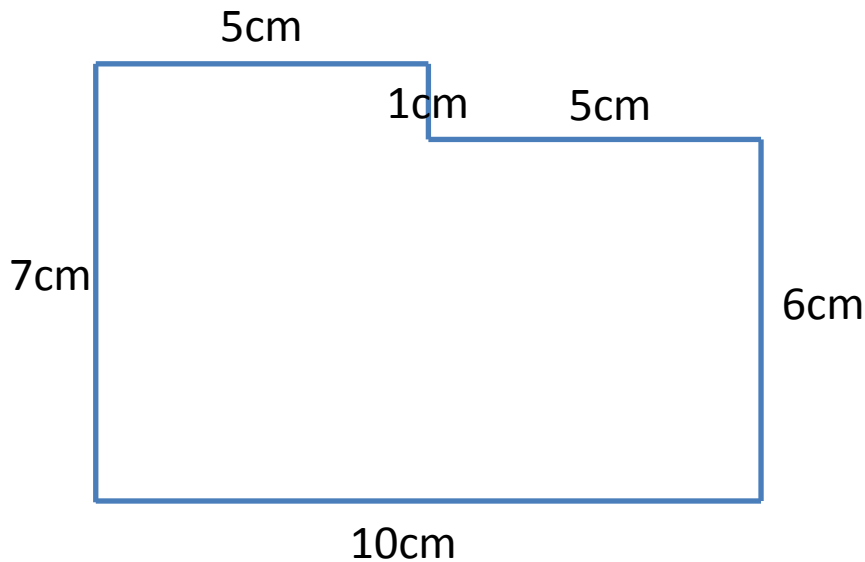
In reality:  $(34)(5) = \mathbf{170\text{ft}}$

$\mathbf{170 - 68 = 102}$

102 comes from  $34*3$  because for every  
cm in the diagram, we have 3 more ft in reality

Example: We are renovating a bedroom by  
 -- replacing the baseboards  
 -- installing new flooring

How much flooring do we buy?

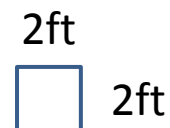
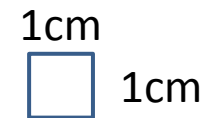


Scale Factor      1cm:2ft

Area:      Cut off top  $5 \times 1 = 5\text{cm}^2$   
              rest  $10 \times 6 = 60\text{cm}^2$   
              total  $60 + 5 = 65\text{cm}^2$

In reality:  $(65)(4) = 260\text{ft}^2$

$\frac{1\text{cm}}{2\text{ft}}$

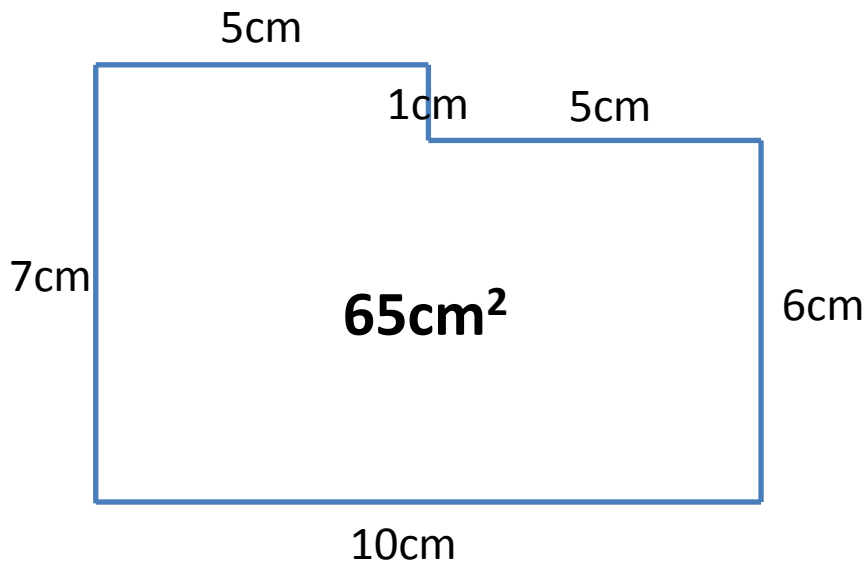


NOTE: square unit relationship

$1\text{cm}^2: 4\text{ft}^2$

Example: We are renovating a bedroom by  
 -- replacing the baseboards  
 -- installing new flooring

How much flooring do we buy for the big room?

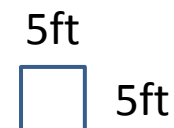
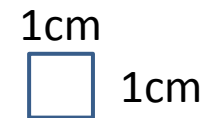


Scale Factor 1cm:5ft

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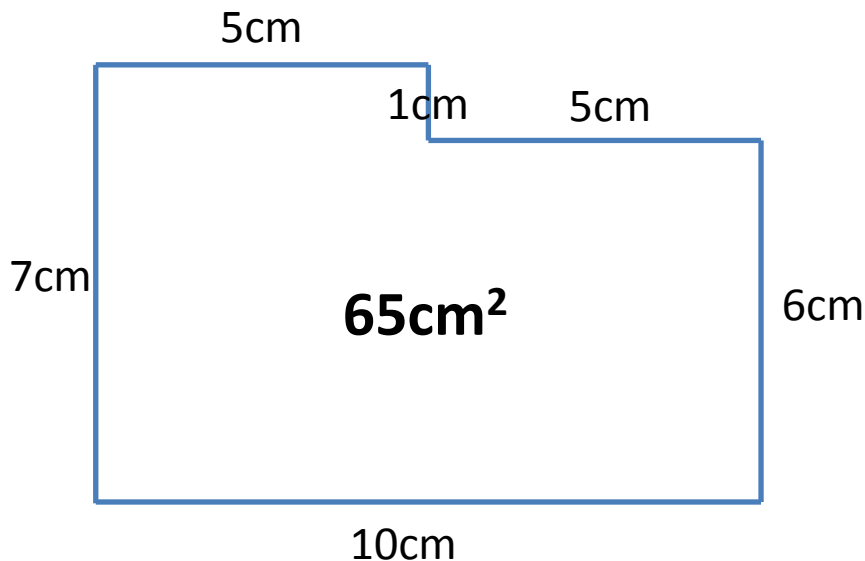
In reality:  $(65)(25) = 1625\text{ft}^2$

$\frac{1\text{cm}}{2\text{ft}}$



Example: We are renovating a bedroom by  
-- replacing the baseboards  
-- installing new flooring

How much bigger did the room get in area?



Scale Factor          1cm:5ft

Area of small room: **260ft<sup>2</sup>**

Area of big room:  $(65)(25) = \mathbf{1625\text{ft}^2}$

Difference:  $1625 - 260 = 1365\text{ft}^2$

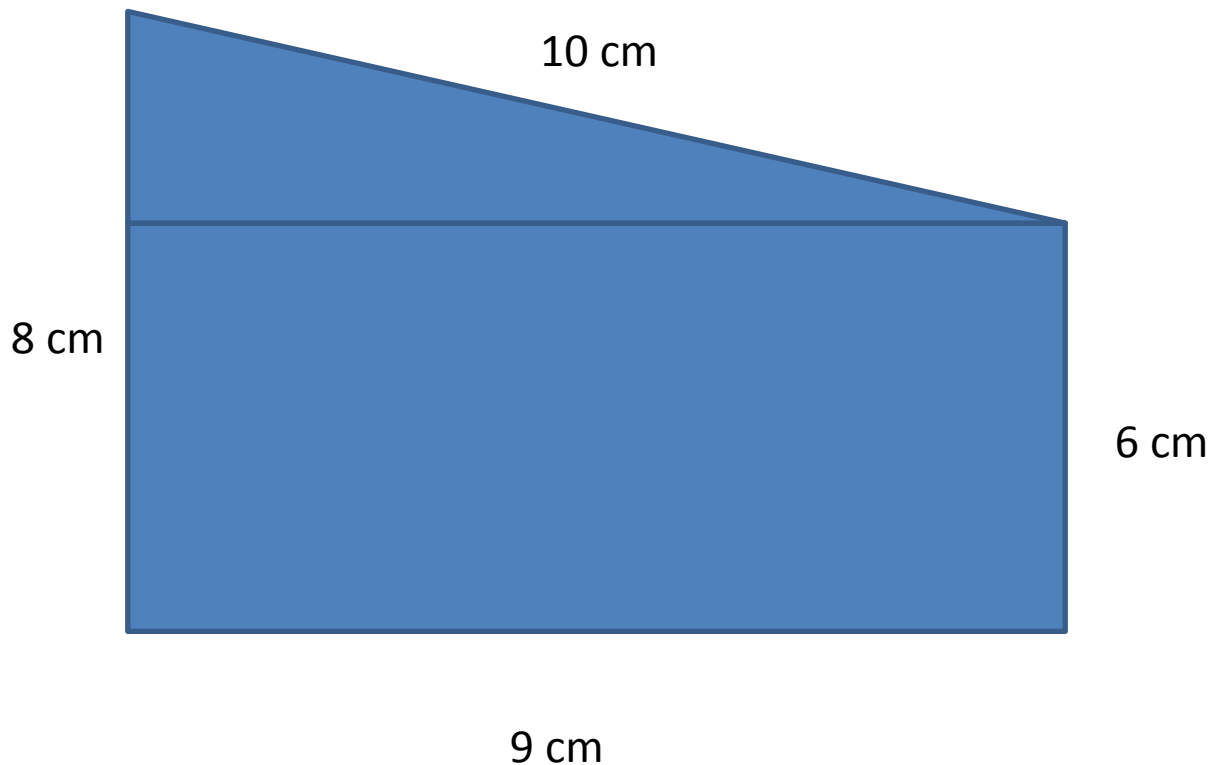
Where does the 1365 come from?

The scale factor increased by 3...

We multiply the diagram area by 9  
(square units)

Example: Consider the following scale Diagram and determine the **Perimeter** And **Area** in reality

Scale Factor: 1cm : 3ft



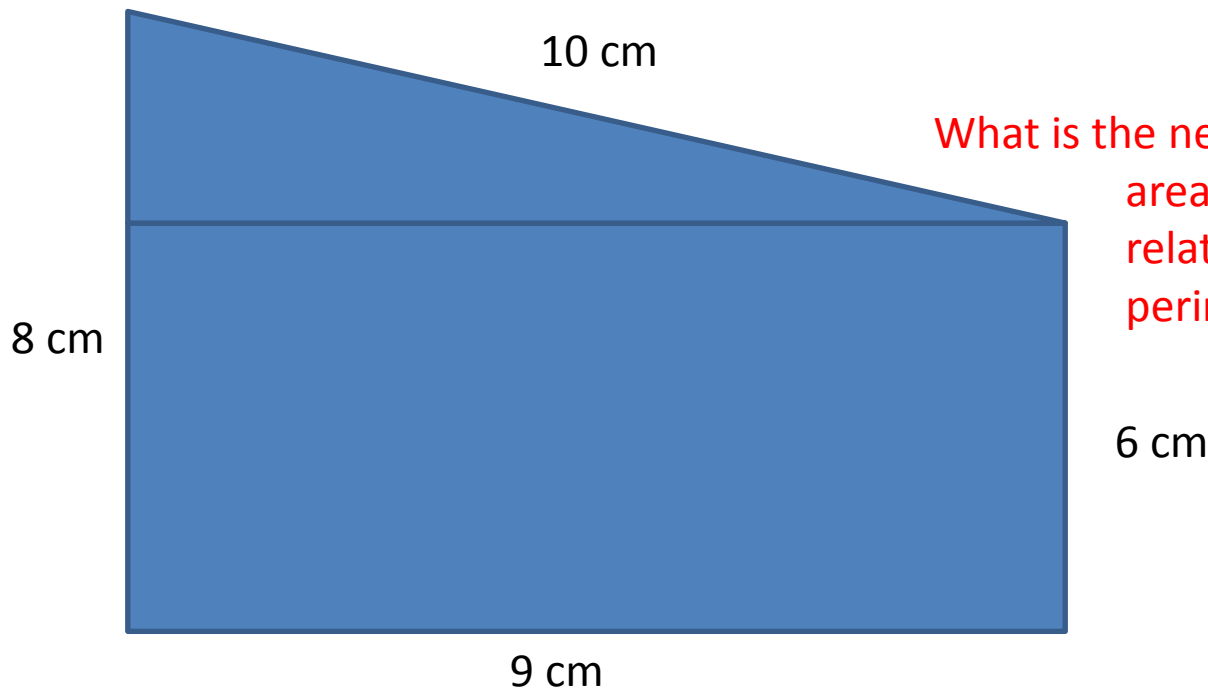
Perimeter:

$$33\text{cm} \rightarrow (33)(3) = 99 \text{ ft}$$

Area:

$$63\text{cm}^2 \rightarrow (63)(9) = 567 \text{ ft}^2$$

Example: Consider the following scale  
Diagram and determine the **Perimeter**  
And **Area** in reality



If the scale factor changes to:  
1cm : 7ft

What is the new perimeter and  
area and what is its  
relationship to the old  
perimeter and area?

New Perimeter: 231 ft (from 99 ft)  
New Area: (from 567 ft<sup>2</sup>)