

Lecture

Navigation Mathematics: Translation

EE 565: Position, Navigation and Timing

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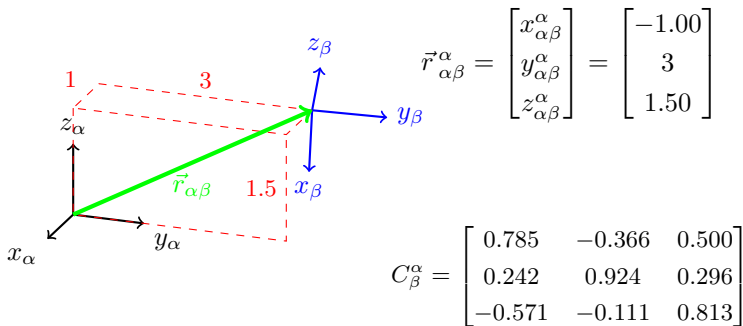
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1 Vector Notation for Translation

Translation Between Frames

Define the vector $\vec{r}_{\alpha\beta}$ from the origin of $\{\alpha\}$ to the origin of $\{\beta\}$.

- specifies translation between frames

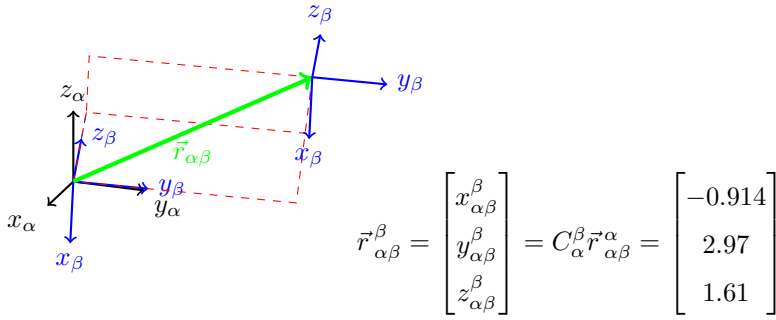


Now have means (and notation) to describe rotation and translation between coordinate frames.

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Translation Between Frames

- Resolve, i.e., coordinatize, $\vec{r}_{\alpha\beta}$ wrt frame $\{\beta\}$.



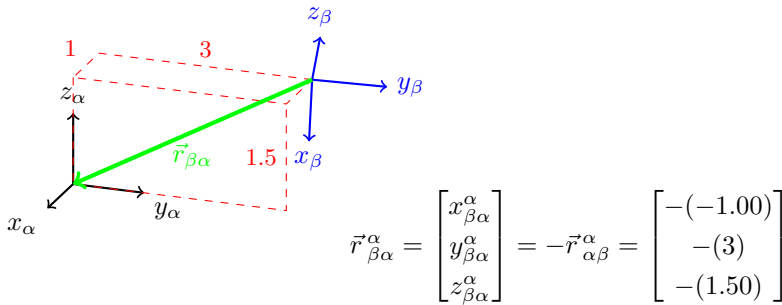
Same vector, so same "direction" and length.

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Translation Between Frames

Reverse vector \vec{r} , i.e., now from origin of $\{\beta\}$ to origin of $\{\alpha\}$.

- notation: $\vec{r}_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} = -\vec{r}_{\alpha\beta}^{\alpha}$



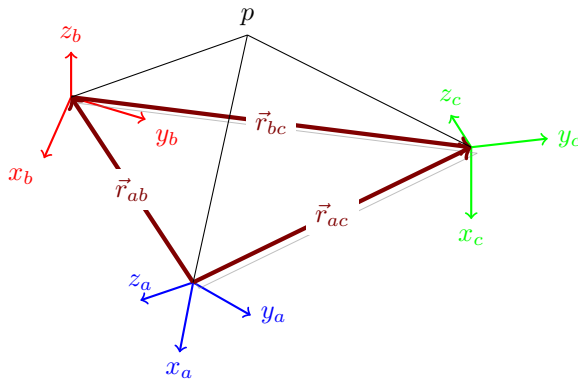
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2 Translation Between More Than Two Coordinate Frames

Translation (more than two coordinate frames)

Consider three coordinate systems $\{a\}$, $\{b\}$, $\{c\}$ that have translation and rotation relative to each other.

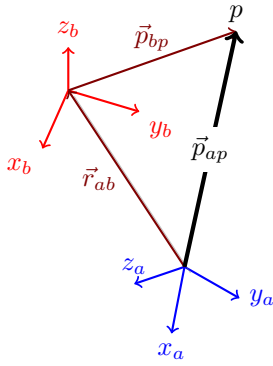
- Knowing relationships between frames $\{a\}$, $\{b\}$, and $\{c\}$, i.e., \vec{r}_{ab} , \vec{r}_{bc} , \vec{r}_{ac} , C_b^a , C_c^b , and C_c^a , location of point p can be described in any frame, i.e., \vec{p}^a or \vec{p}^b or \vec{p}^c .



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Translation (more than two coordinate frames)

Determine the location of the point p relative to $\{a\}$ given location of point p is known relative to $\{b\}$.



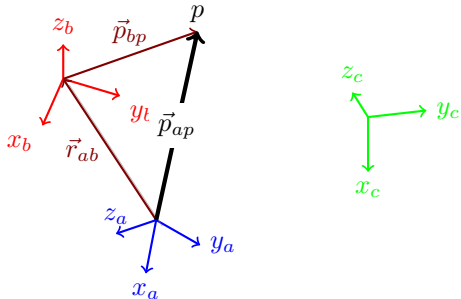
- $\vec{p}_{ap} = \vec{r}_{ab} + \vec{p}_{bp}$ In what frame?
- $\vec{p}_{ap}^a = \vec{r}_{ab}^a + \vec{p}_{bp}^a$ or
- $\vec{p}_{ap}^b = \vec{r}_{ab}^b + \vec{p}_{bp}^b$ or
- $\vec{p}_{ap}^c = \vec{r}_{ab}^c + \vec{p}_{bp}^c$

Shorthand notation: $\vec{p}^a \equiv \vec{p}_{ap}^a$

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Translation (more than two coordinate frames)

Given $\vec{p}_{ap}^a = \vec{r}_{ab}^a + \vec{p}_{bp}^a$ and/or the diagram, how would one find \vec{p}_{bp}^b ?



- use given relationship or vector addition
 $\Rightarrow \vec{p}_{bp}^a = \vec{p}_{ap}^a - \vec{r}_{ab}^a$
- now need to reference to {b}
 $C_a^b \vec{p}_{bp}^a = C_a^b (\vec{p}_{ap}^a - \vec{r}_{ab}^a)$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{p}_{bp}^b = \vec{p}_{ap}^b - \vec{r}_{ab}^b$

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Translation (more than two coordinate frames)

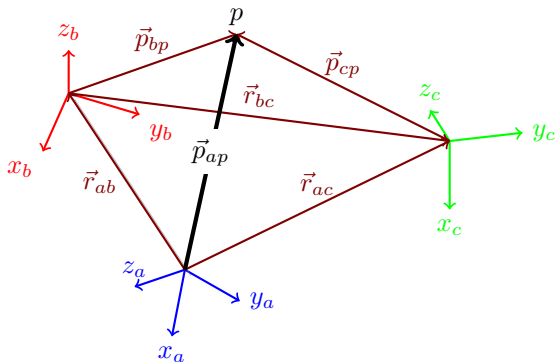
It is important to remember difference between reCOORDINATIZING a vector and finding a location wrt a different frame.

- ReCOORDINATIZING: $\vec{p}_{ap}^c = C_a^c \vec{p}_{ap}^a$ (only frame of reference changes)
- Location wrt different frame: $\vec{p}_{cp}^c = \vec{r}_{cb}^c + C_b^c \vec{r}_{ba}^b + C_a^c \vec{p}_{ap}^a$ (vector addition in same frame) $\neq C_a^c \vec{p}_{ap}^a$

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Translation (more than two coordinate frames)

Determine location of point p from frame {c}; \Rightarrow looking for \vec{p}_{cp}



Many approaches given labeled vectors/translations.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{p}_{cp} &= -\vec{r}_{bc} + \vec{p}_{bp} \\ &= -\vec{r}_{ac} + \vec{r}_{ab} + \vec{p}_{bp} \\ &= -\vec{r}_{ac} + \vec{p}_{ap} \end{aligned}$$

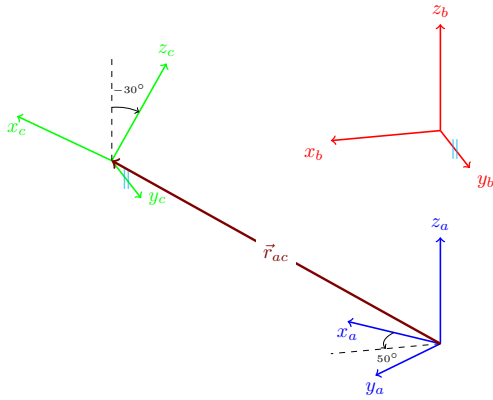
- In what frame? doesn't matter, so long as same
- Can always reCOORDINATIZE given C_b^a, C_c^b, C_a^c

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3 Example

Example - Given

Consider the three coordinate frames {a}, {b}, {c} shown with the rotations and translations between some frames given.



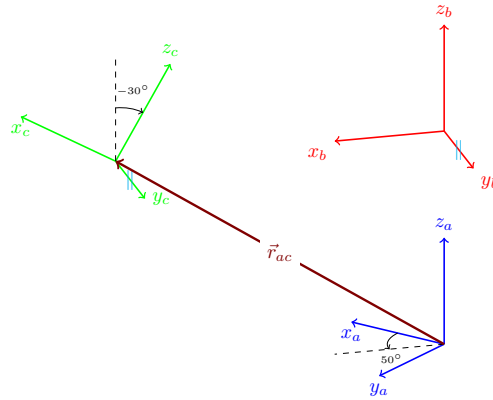
$$\begin{aligned}
 C_b^a &= R_{z, 50^\circ} \\
 C_c^b &= R_{y, -30^\circ} \\
 \vec{r}_{ab}^a &= [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T \\
 \vec{r}_{bc}^b &= [3 \ 0 \ 0]^T
 \end{aligned}$$

• find

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_c^a \\
 \vec{r}_{ac}^a \\
 \vec{r}_{ca}^c
 \end{aligned}$$

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Example - Find C_c^a

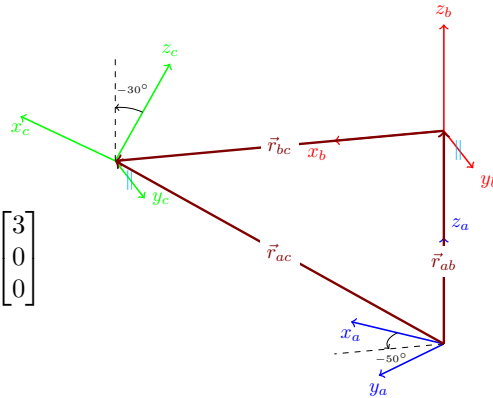


$$C_c^a = C_b^a C_c^b = R_{z, 50^\circ} R_{y, -30^\circ}$$

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Example - Find \vec{r}_{ac}^a

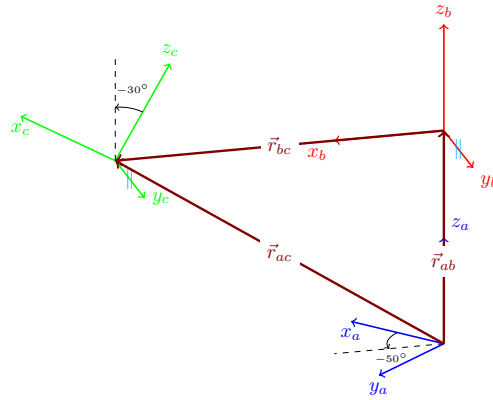
$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r}_{ac}^a &= \vec{r}_{ab}^a + \vec{r}_{bc}^a \\
 &= \vec{r}_{ab}^a + C_b^a \vec{r}_{bc}^b \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + R_{z, 50^\circ} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos 50^\circ & -\sin 50^\circ & 0 \\ \sin 50^\circ & \cos 50^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1.93 \\ 2.30 \\ 2.00 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Example - Find \vec{r}_{ca}^c

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{r}_{ca}^c &= -\vec{r}_{ac}^c \\
&= -C_a^c \vec{r}_{ac}^a \\
&= -[C_c^a]^T \vec{r}_{ac}^a \\
&= -[R_{z,50^\circ} \ R_{y,-30^\circ}]^T \begin{bmatrix} 1.93 \\ 2.30 \\ 2.00 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -3.59 \\ 0 \\ -0.232 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$



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