

EE 565: Position, Navigation and Timing

Navigation Mathematics: Translation

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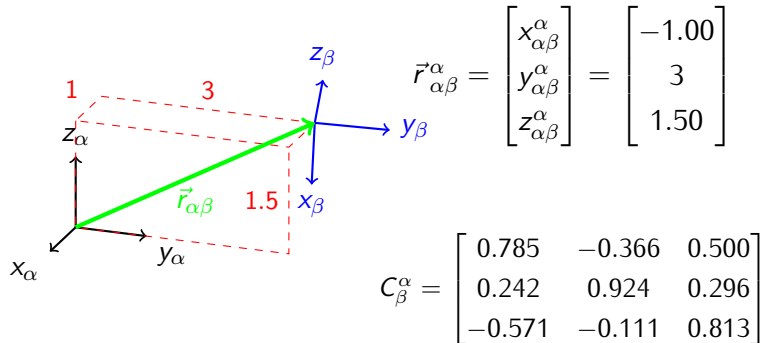
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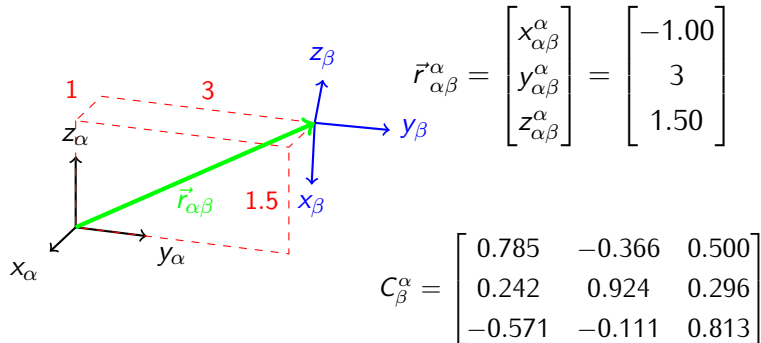
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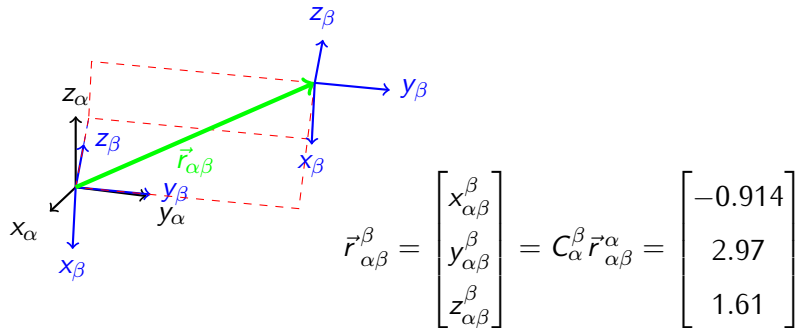
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Now have means (and notation) to describe rotation and translation between coordinate frames.

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



Same vector, so same “direction” and length.

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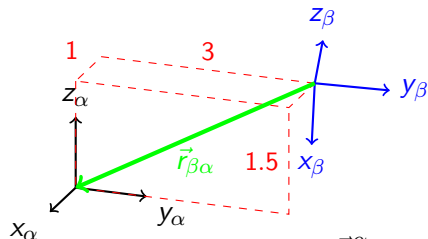
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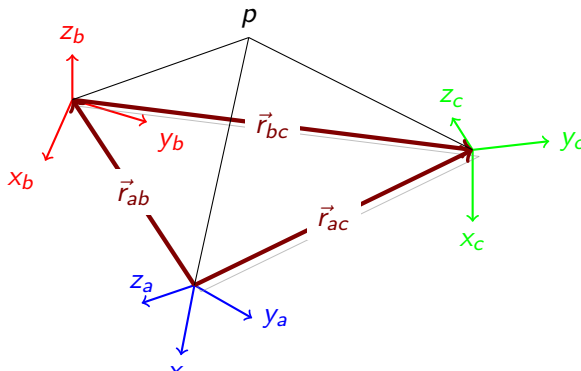
- notation: $\vec{r}_{\beta\alpha} = -\vec{r}_{\alpha\beta}$



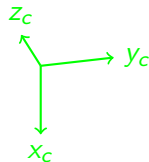
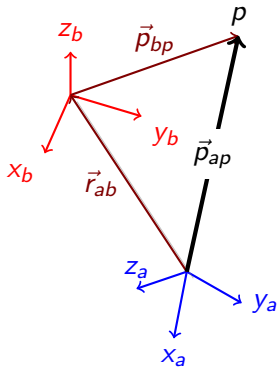
$$\vec{r}_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} \\ y_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} \\ z_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} = -\vec{r}_{\alpha\beta}^{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} -(-1.00) \\ -(3) \\ -(1.50) \end{bmatrix}$$

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 .

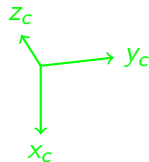
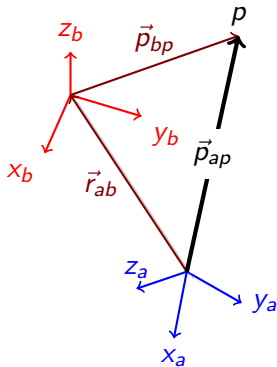


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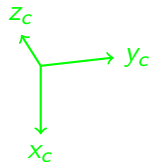
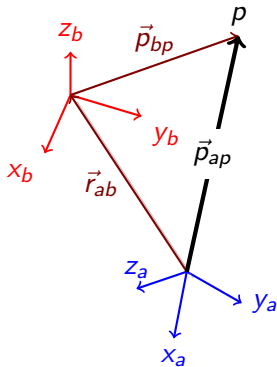
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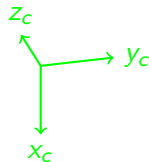
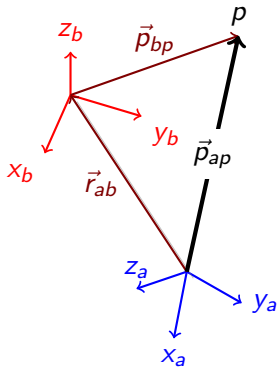
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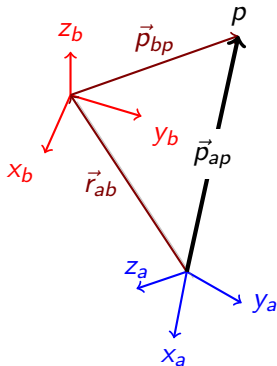
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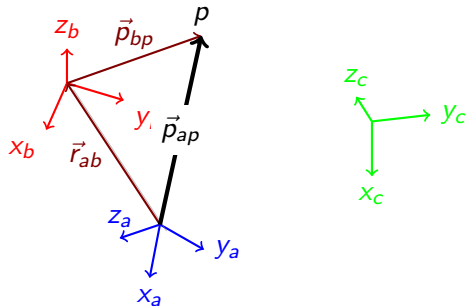
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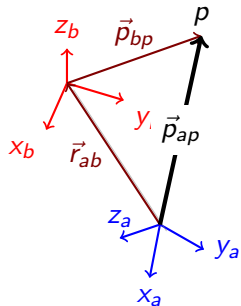
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Shorthand notation: $\vec{p}^a \equiv \vec{p}_{ap}^a$

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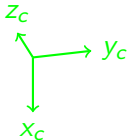
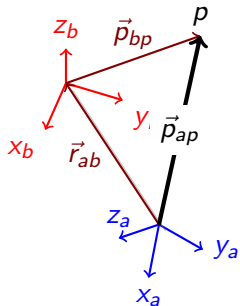


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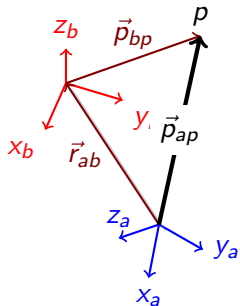
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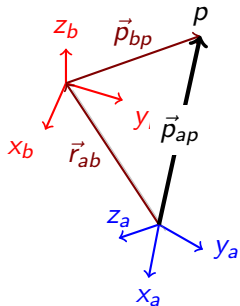
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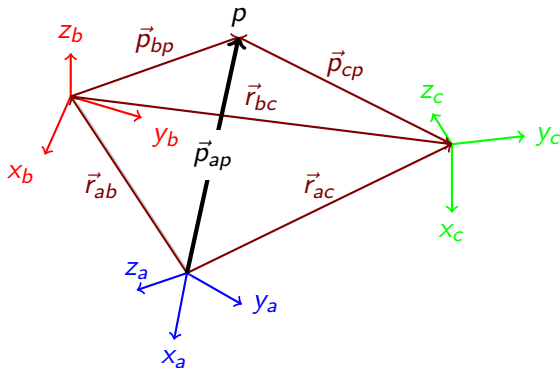
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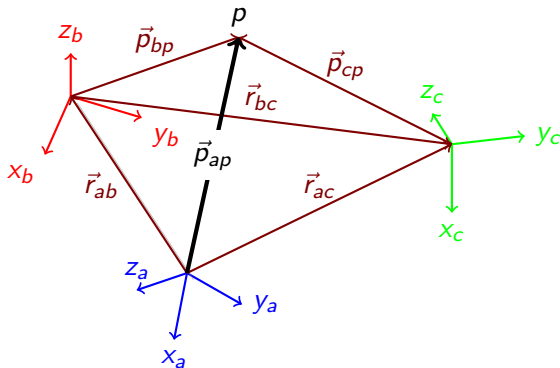
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(vector addition in same frame)
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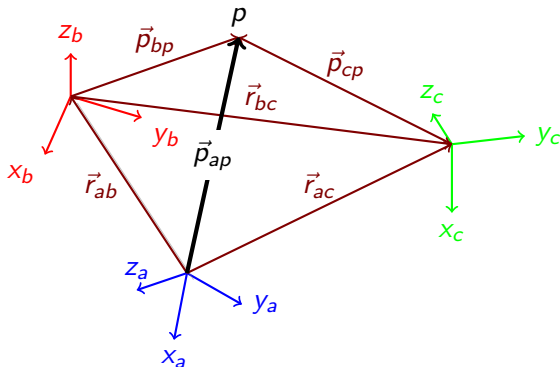


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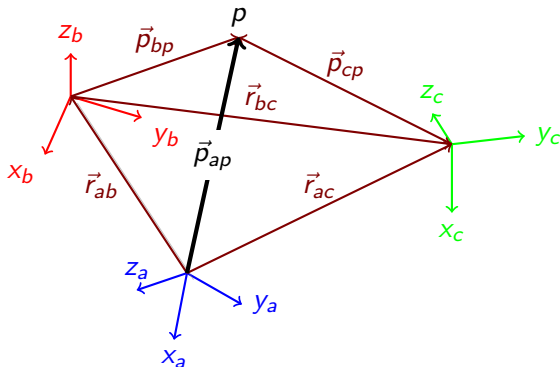
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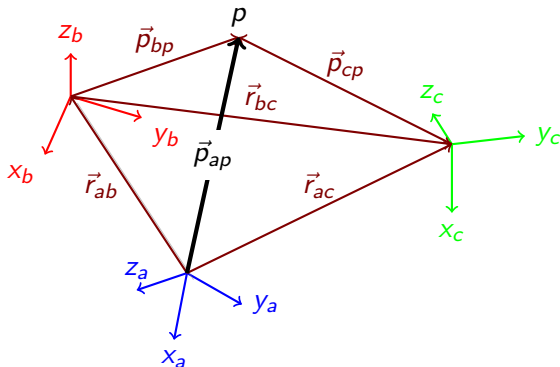
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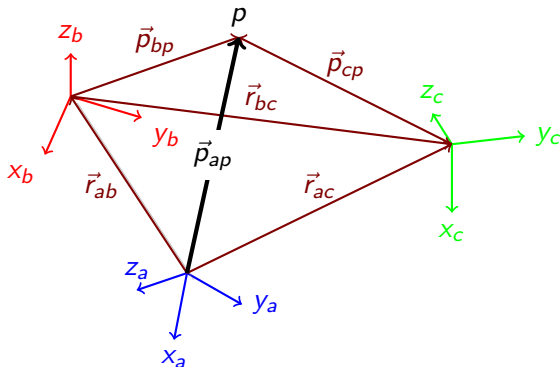
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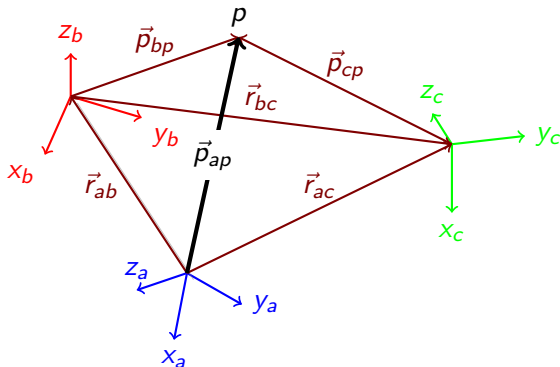
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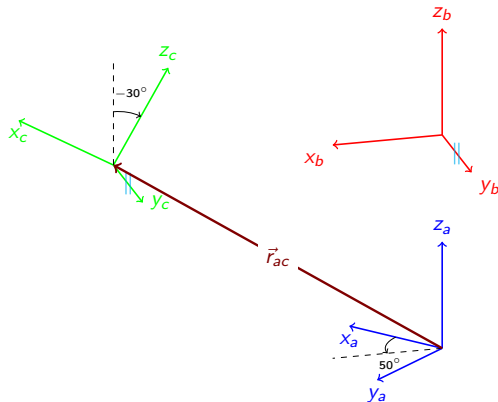
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- In what frame? doesn't matter, so long as same
- Can always recoordinate given C_b^a, C_c^b, C_a^c

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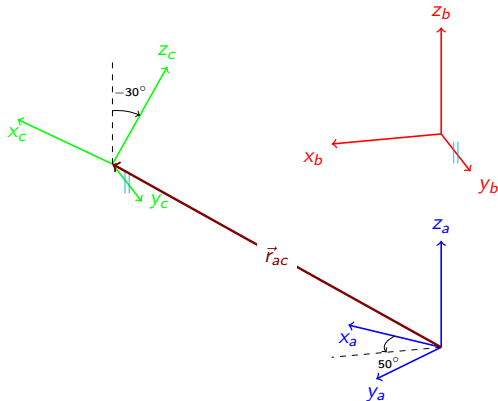
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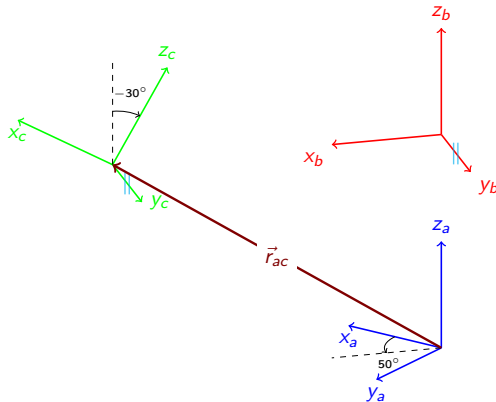
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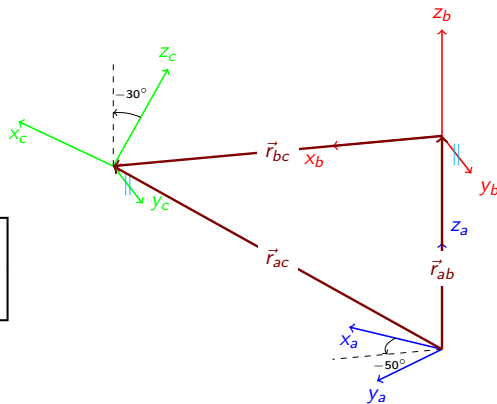
$$\vec{r}_{ac}^a = \vec{r}_{ab}^a + \vec{r}_{bc}^a$$

$$= \vec{r}_{ab}^a + C_b^a \vec{r}_{bc}^b$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + R_{z,50^\circ} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos 50^\circ & -\sin 50^\circ & 0 \\ \sin 50^\circ & \cos 50^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1.93 \\ 2.30 \\ 2.00 \end{bmatrix}$$



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

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

