

# Lecture 05

## Representations - II

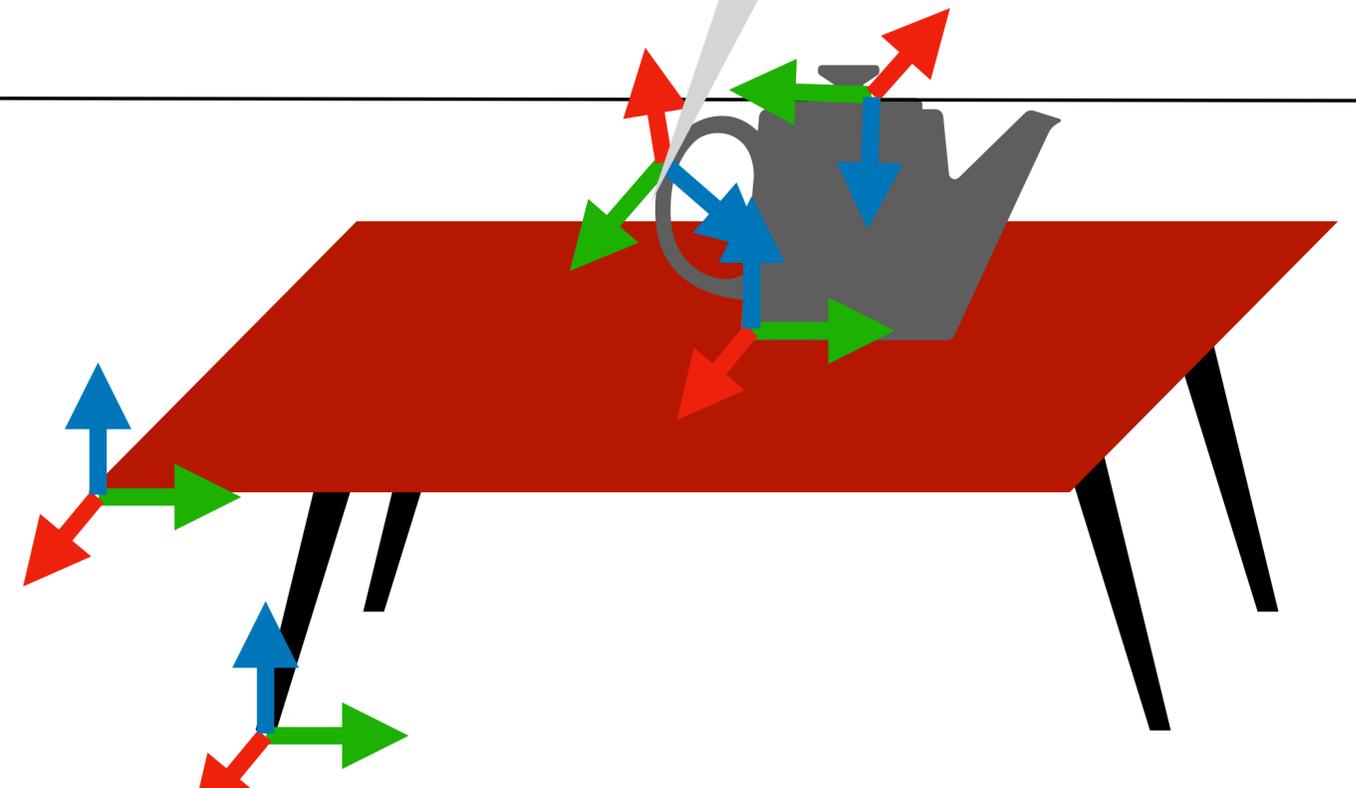
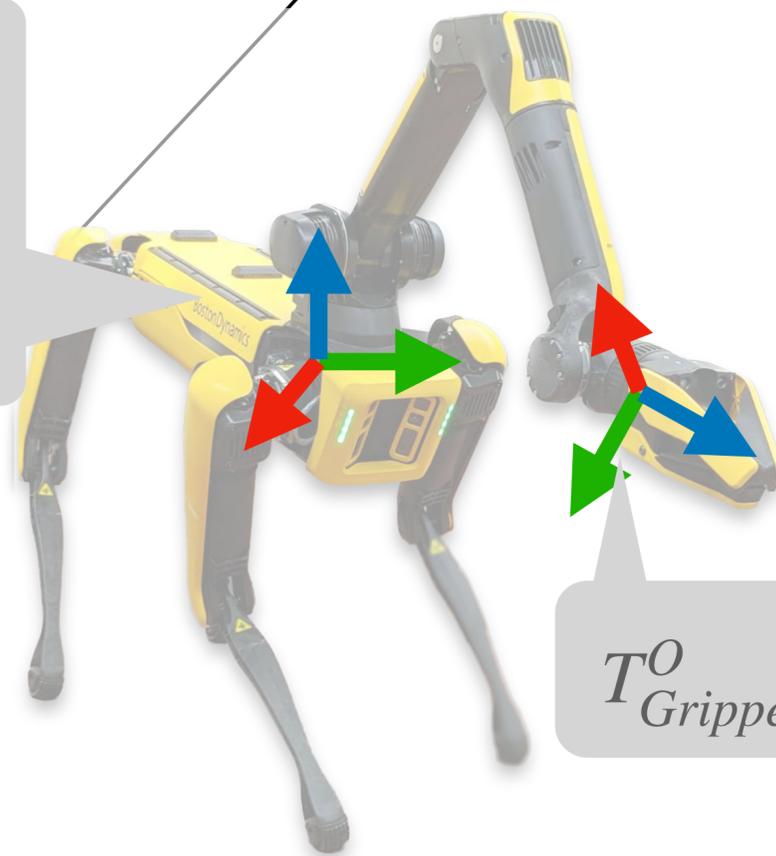
### Rotations & Quaternions

$$T_O^O = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Target  $T_{Gripper}^O = T_{Jar}^O$

$$T_{Robot}^O = \begin{bmatrix} R_{3 \times 3} & D_{3 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{Gripper}^O = T_{Robot}^O \times T_{Gripper}^{Robot}$$



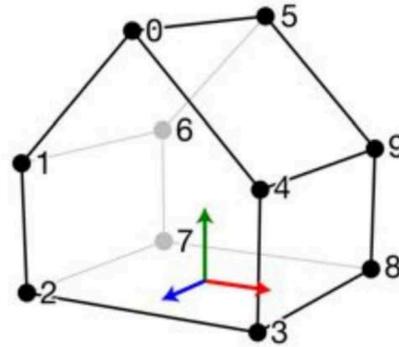
# Course Logistics

- **Quiz 2 was posted yesterday and was due today at noon.**
- Project 1 is due tonight (02/05) 11:59 pm CT.
- Project 2 will be posted today (02/05) and will be due on (02/12).
  - Most of the content for FK is covered today.



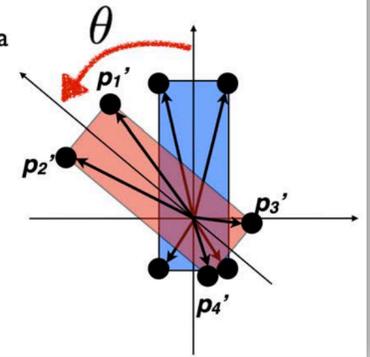
# Previously

## Link Geometry



## 2D Rotation

- Consider a link for a 2D robot with a box geometry of 4 vertices
- Vectors express position of vertices with respect to joint (at origin)
- How to rotate link geometry based on movement of the joint?



$$x' = x \cdot \cos(\theta) - y \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

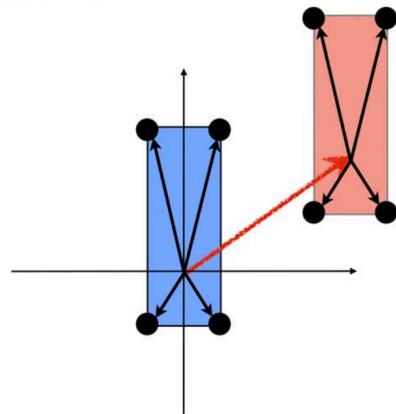
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## 2D Translation

- Consider a link for a 2D robot with a box geometry of 4 vertices
- Vectors express position of vertices with respect to joint (at origin)
- How to translate link geometry to new location?

$$x' = x + d_x$$

$$y' = y + d_y$$

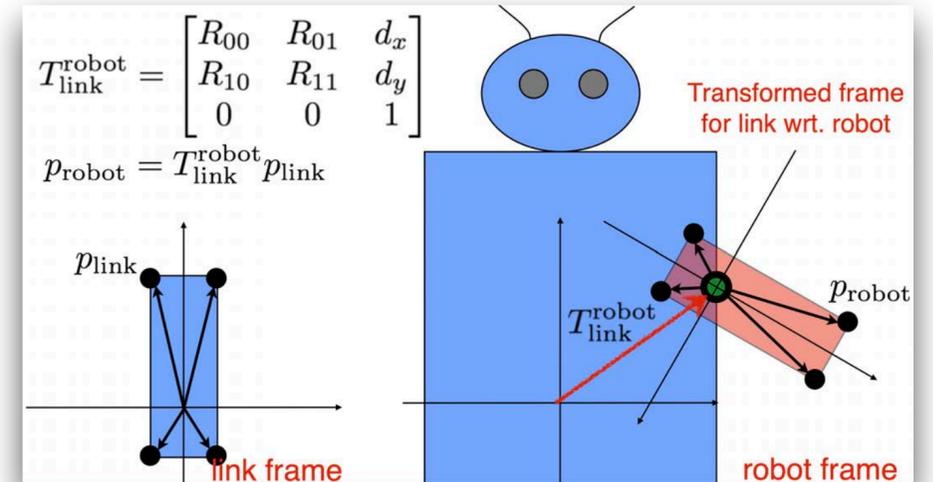


## Homogeneous Transform

defines SE(2): Special Euclidean Group 2

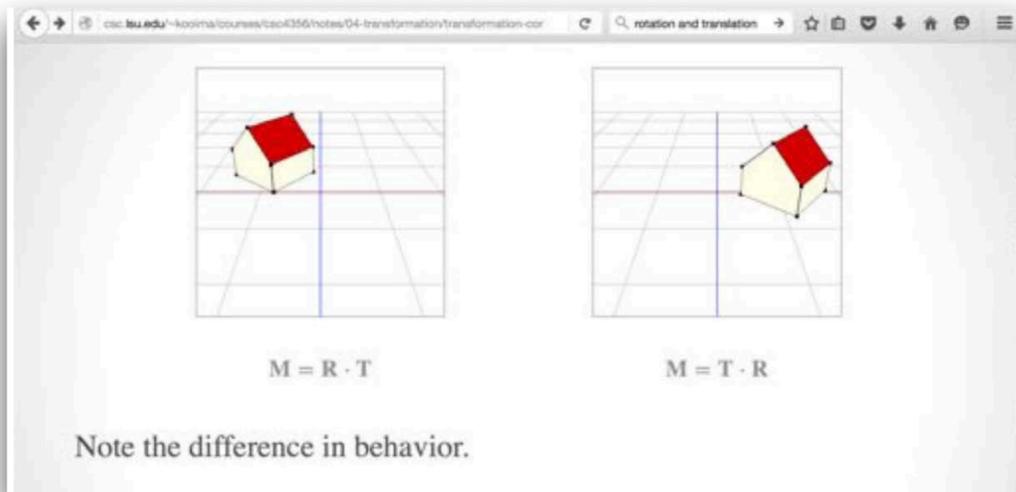
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} R_{00} & R_{01} & d_x \\ R_{10} & R_{11} & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{2 \times 2} & \mathbf{d}_{2 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$H \in SE(2)$     $\mathbf{R}_{2 \times 2} \in SO(2)$     $\mathbf{d}_{2 \times 1} \in \mathbb{R}^2$



$$T_{link}^{robot} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{00} & R_{01} & d_x \\ R_{10} & R_{11} & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_{robot} = T_{link}^{robot} p_{link}$$



Alternatively, relate transform from frame 2 to frame 0:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_1^0 & d_1^0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_2^1 & d_2^1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^0 R_2^1 & R_1^0 d_2^1 + d_1^0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$R_2^0 = R_1^0 R_2^1$$

$$d_2^0 = R_1^0 d_2^1 + d_1^0$$

which can be observed by block multiplying transforms

**$R^{target}$**   
 **$R^{current}$**

Rotation Matrix that will take a point in current to the target frame

## 3D Homogeneous Transform

$$H_3 = \begin{bmatrix} R_{00} & R_{01} & R_{02} & d_x \\ R_{10} & R_{11} & R_{12} & d_y \\ R_{20} & R_{21} & R_{22} & d_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{d}_{3 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in SE(3)$$

if  $T_1^0 \in SE(3)$  and  $T_2^1 \in SE(3)$  then composition holds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_1^0 & d_1^0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_2^1 & d_2^1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^0 R_2^1 & R_1^0 d_2^1 + d_1^0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

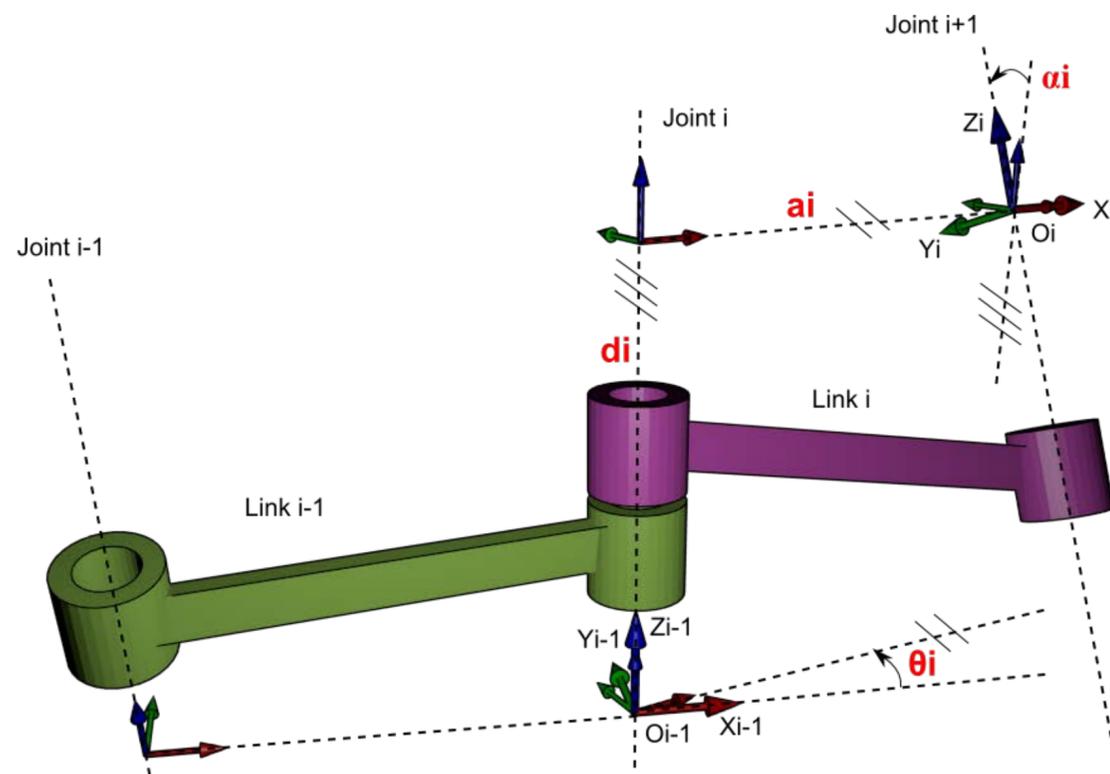
such that points in Frame 2 can be expressed in Frame 0 by:

$$p^0 = T_1^0 T_2^1 p^2$$

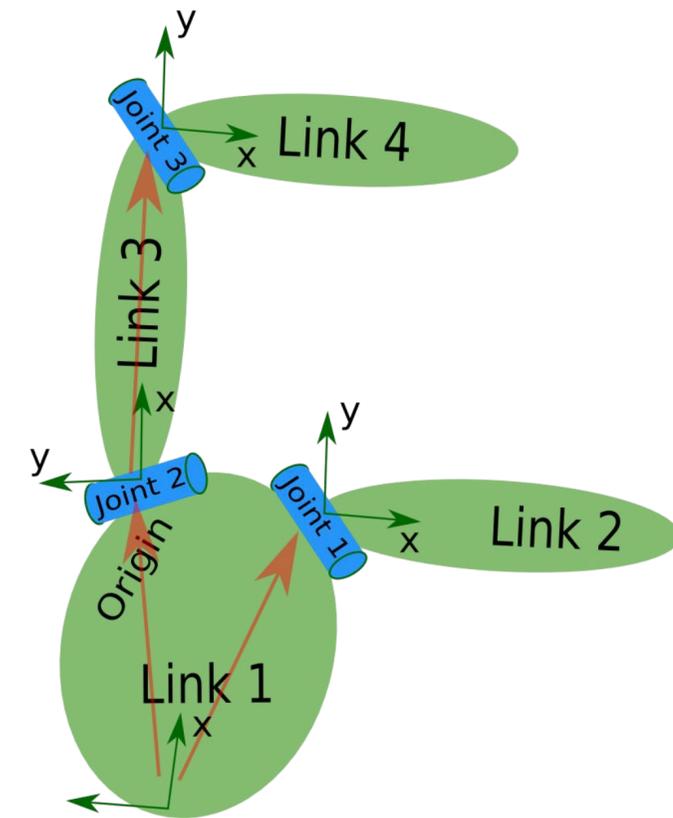
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# How do we define the kinematics of a robot?



Traditionally:  
Denavit-Hartenberg  
Convention



In recent years:  
URDF  
convention

## urdf

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*robot\_model*

# Package Summary

✓ Released
✓ Continuous integration
✓ Documented

This package contains a C++ parser for the Unified Robot Description Format (URDF), which is an XML format for representing a robot model. The code API of the parser has been through our review process and will remain backwards compatible in future releases.

- Maintainer status: maintained
- Maintainer: Ioan Sucan <isucan AT gmail DOT com>
- Author: Ioan Sucan
- License: BSD
- Bug / feature tracker: [https://github.com/ros/robot\\_model/issues](https://github.com/ros/robot_model/issues)
- Source: git [https://github.com/ros/robot\\_model.git](https://github.com/ros/robot_model.git) (branch: indigo-devel)

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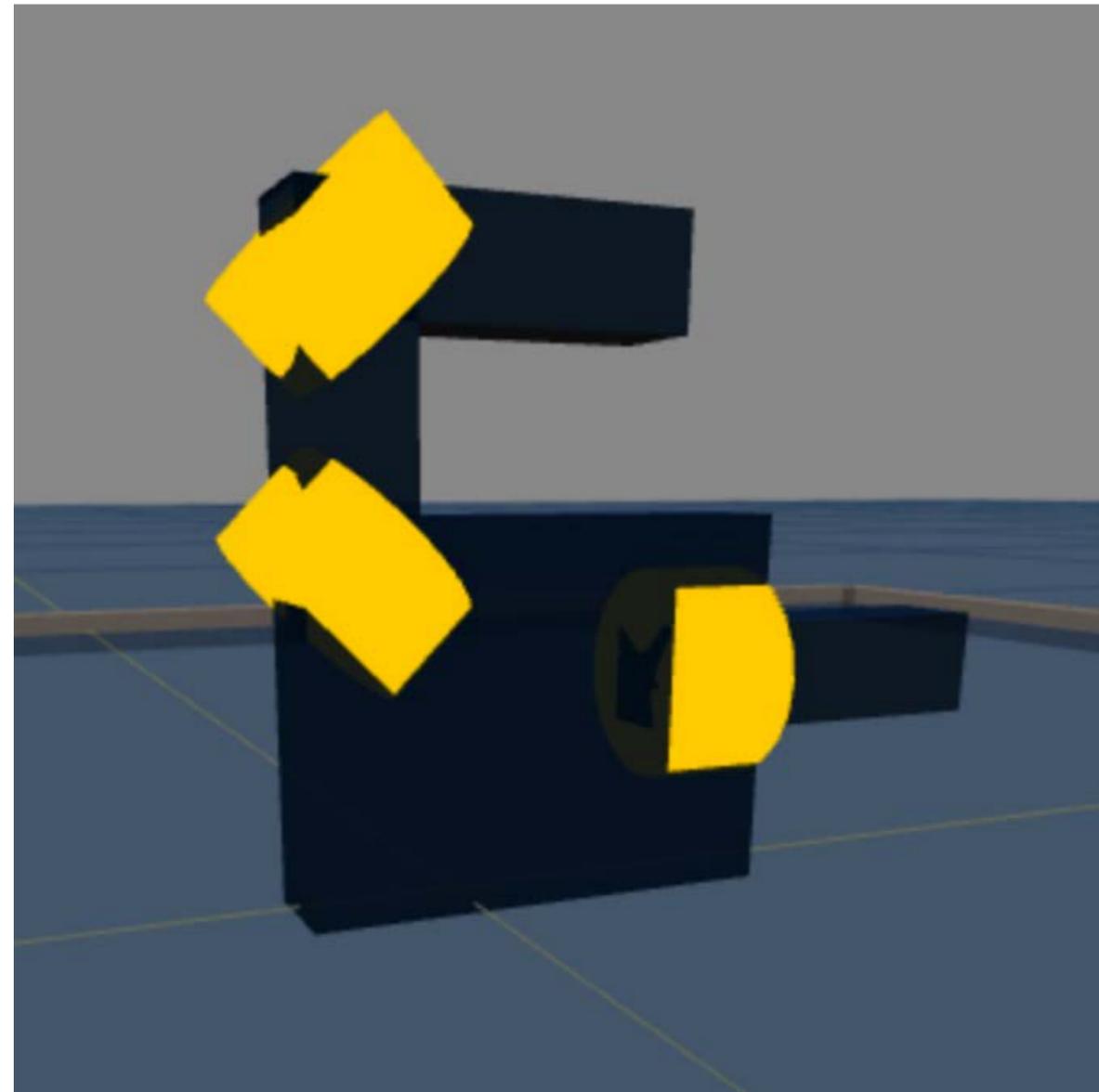
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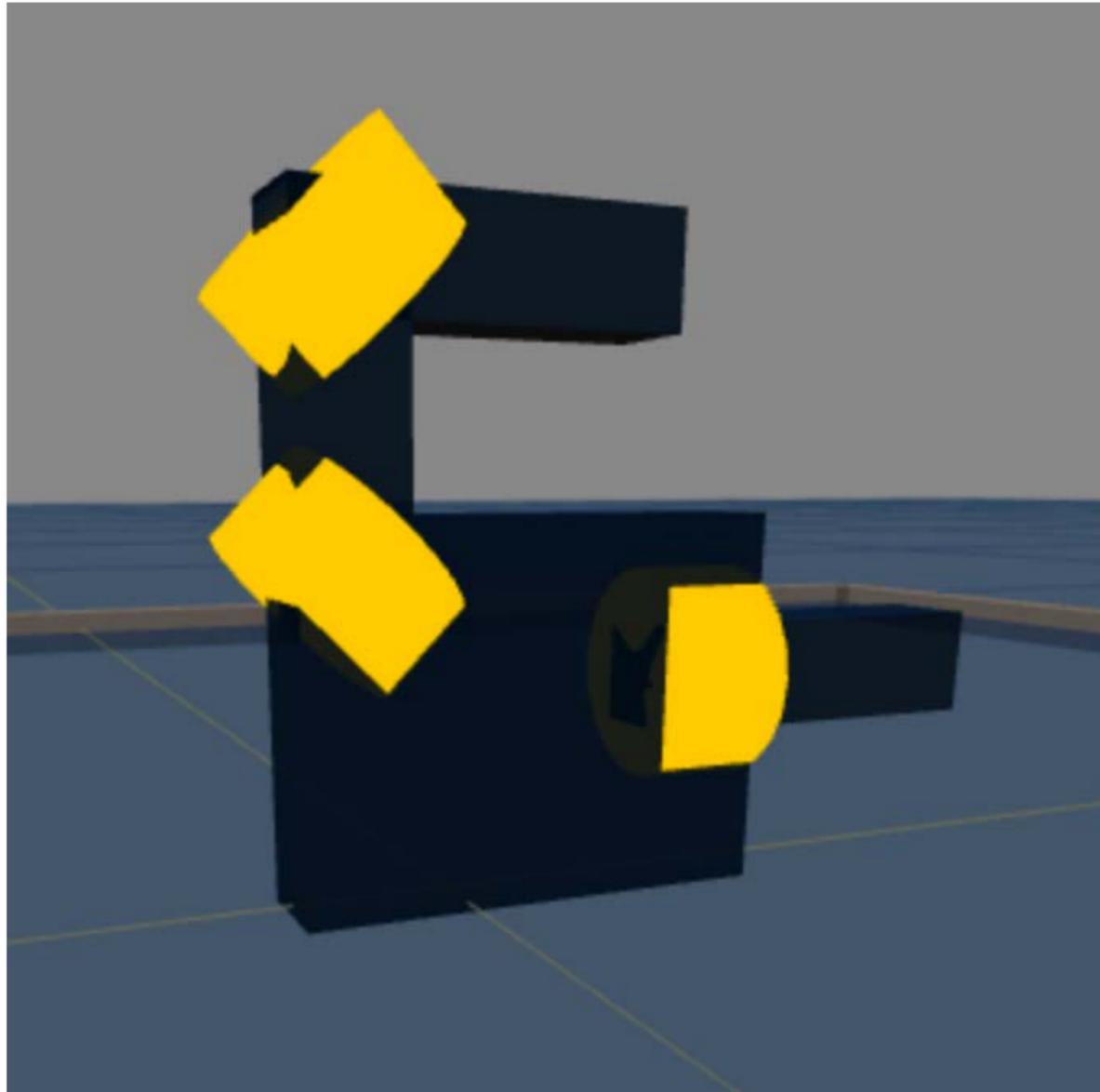
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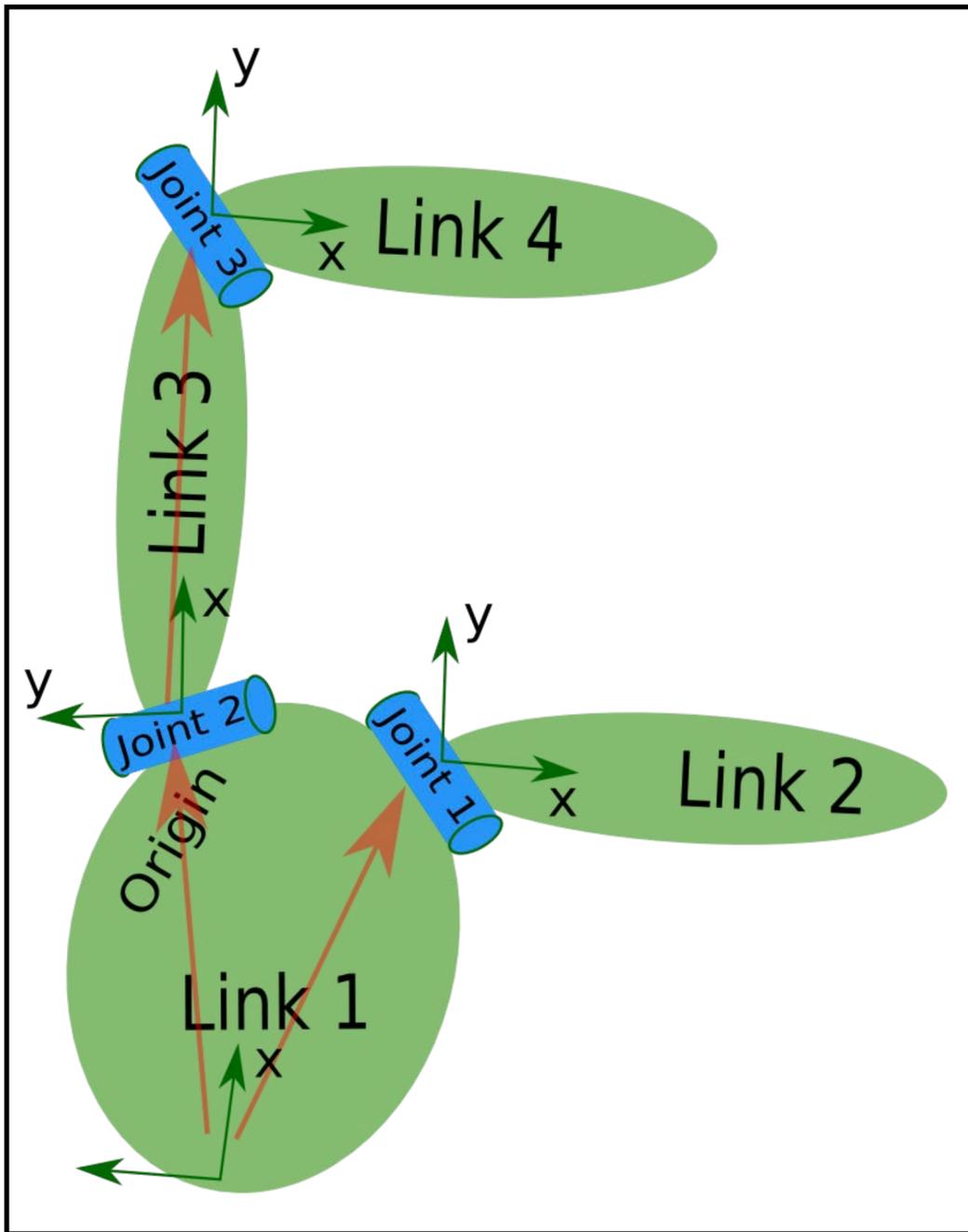
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  </joint>

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  <joint name="joint3" type="continuous">
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</robot>
```



# URDF Example



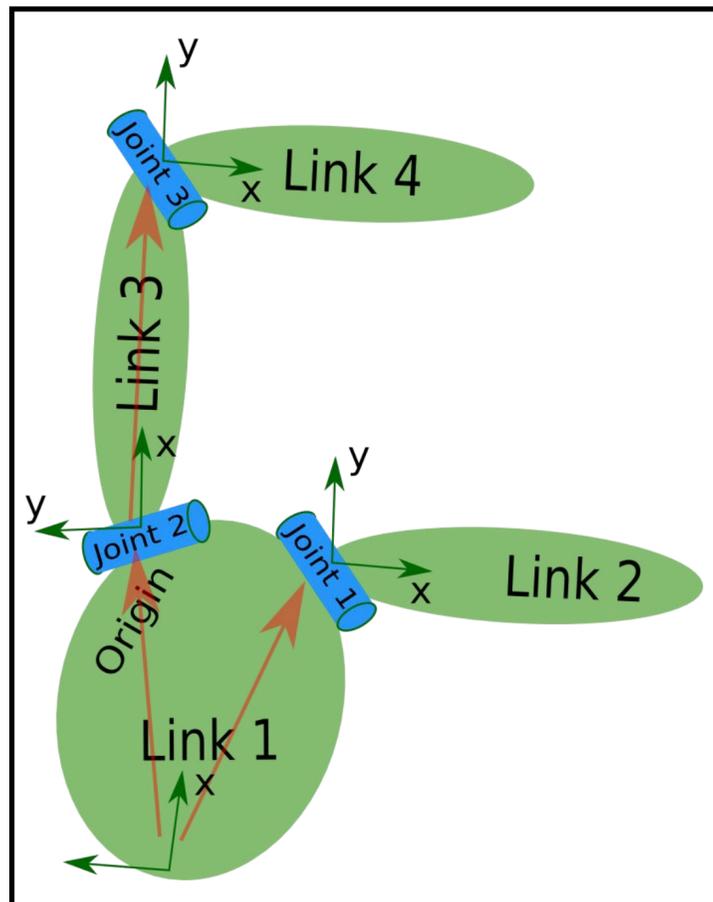
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```

Starts with empty robot



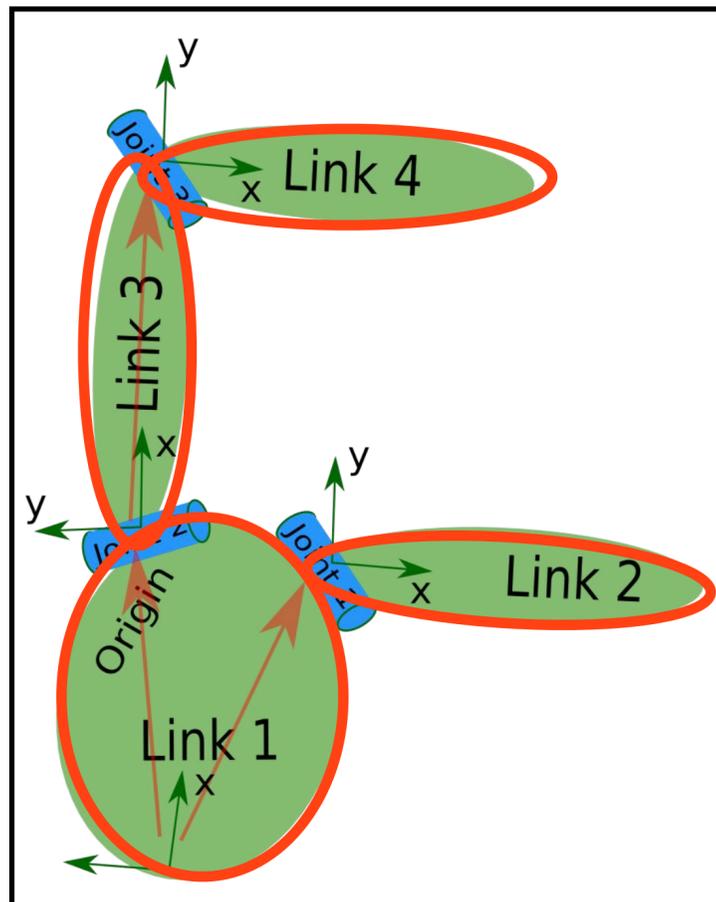
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## Specifies robot links



link1

link2

link3

link4

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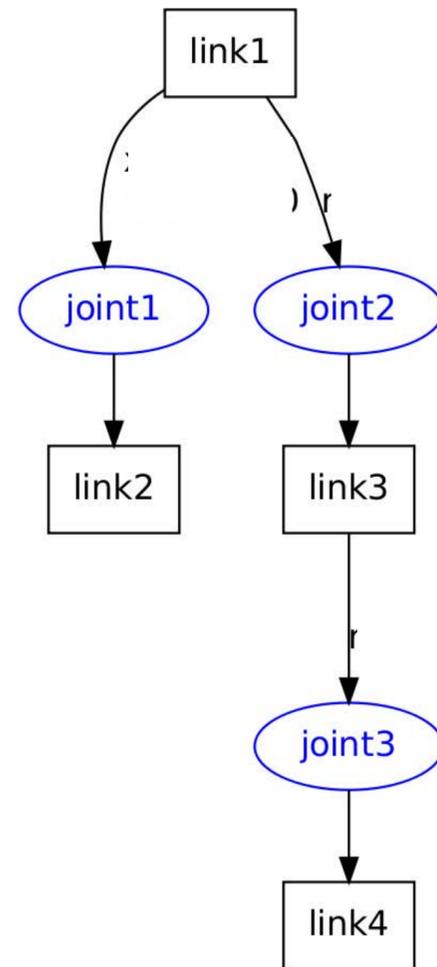
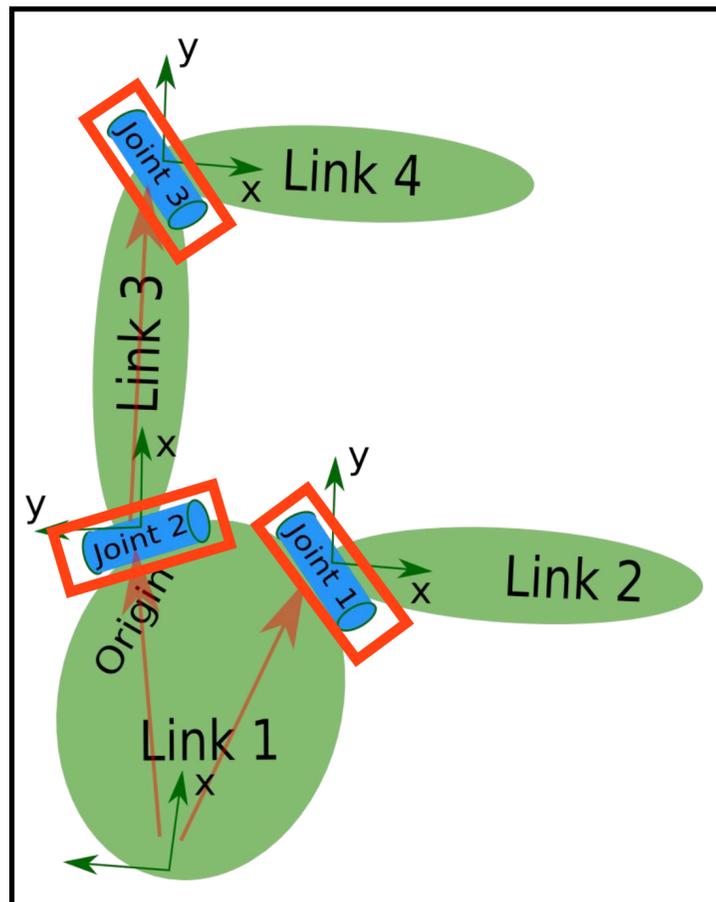
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Joints connect parent/  
inboard links to child/  
outboard links



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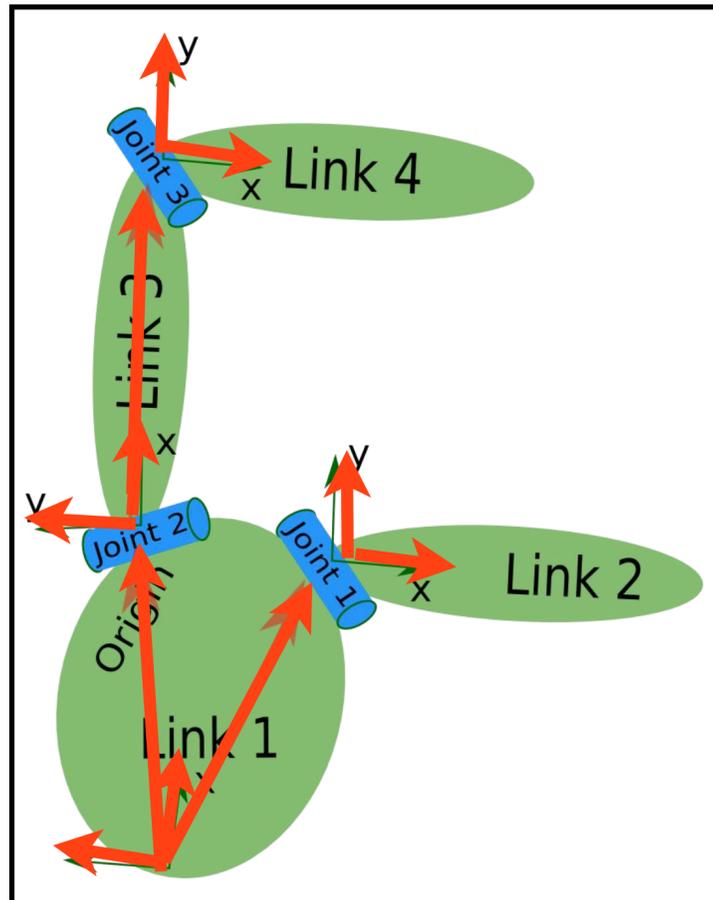
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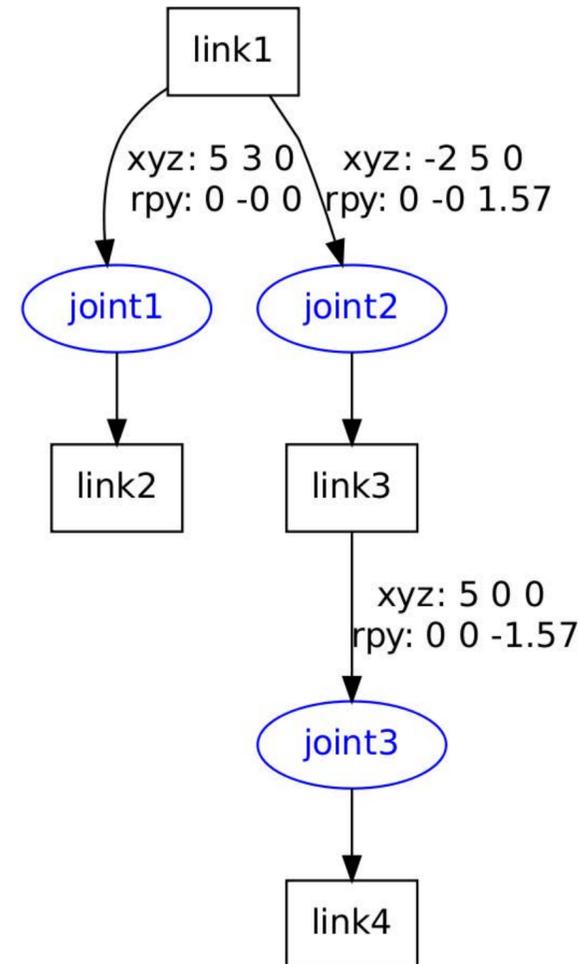
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```

Origin field specifies transform parameters from parent to child frame

3D transform, where “xyz” is translation offset, and “rpy” is rotational offset



**Note:** the illustration is not exactly matched with the numerical values in the xml



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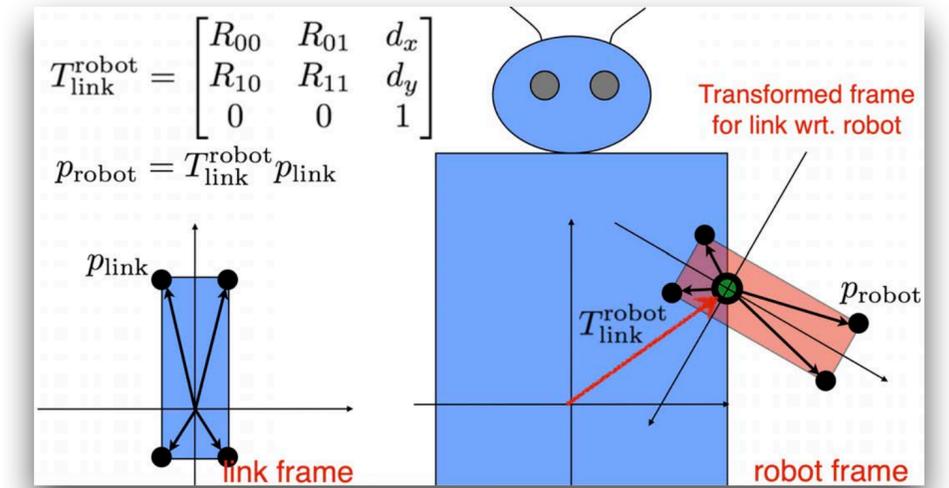
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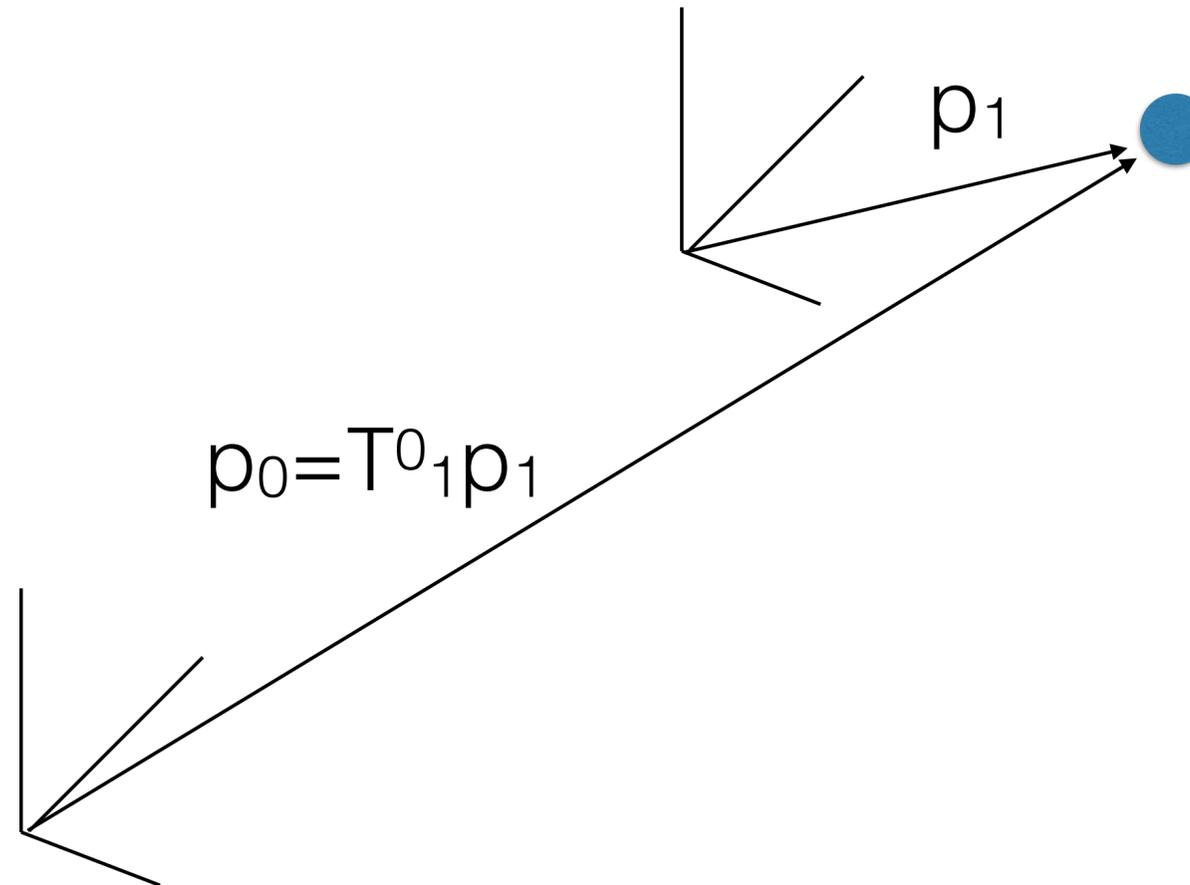
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Origin field specifies transform parameters of child frame with to parent frame



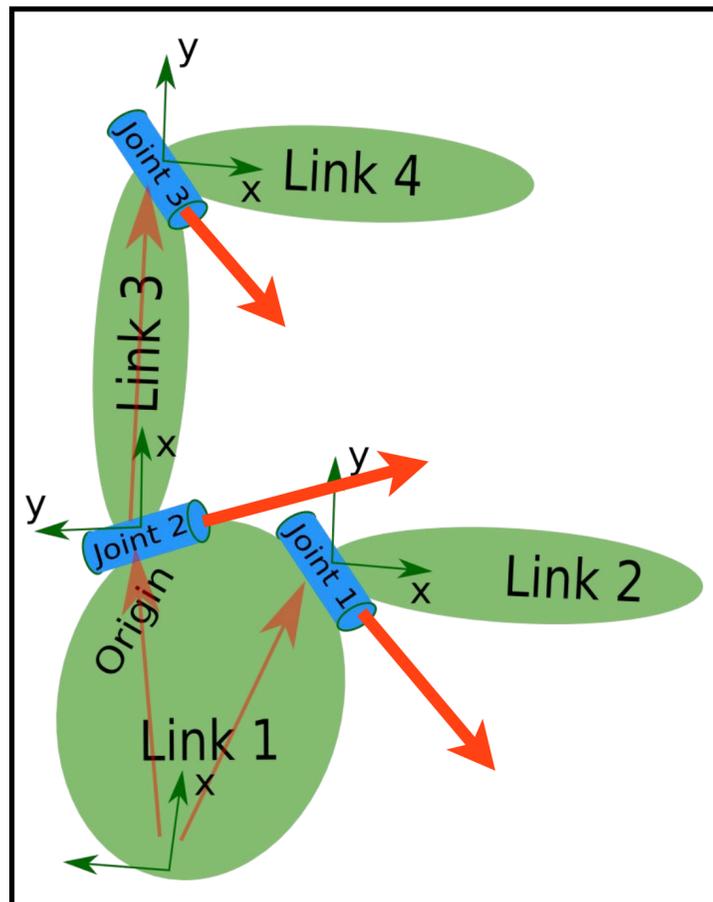
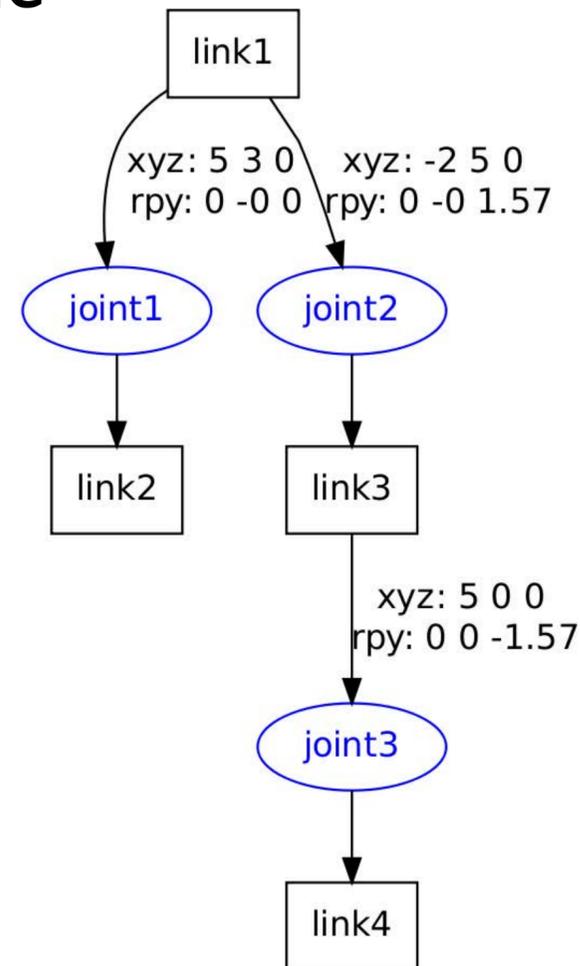
Remember this???



Axis field specifies DOF axis of motion with respect to parent frame

Can we translate about an axis?

Can we rotate about an axis? Quaternions!



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# KinEval: Robot Description Overview



```
// CREATE ROBOT STRUCTURE
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
///// DEFINE ROBOT AND LINKS
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
// create robot data object
```

```
robot = new Object(); // or just {} will create new object
```

```
// give the robot a name
```

```
robot.name = "urdf_example";
```

```
// initialize start pose of robot in the world
```

```
robot.origin = {xyz: [0,0,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
```

```
// specify base link of the robot; robot.origin is transform of world to the robot base
```

```
robot.base = "link1";
```

```
// specify and create data objects for the links of the robot
```

```
robot.links = {"link1": {}, "link2": {}, "link3": {}, "link4": {} };
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
///// DEFINE JOINTS AND KINEMATIC HIERARCHY
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robots/robot\_urdf\_example.js



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```

**<robot name="test\_robot">**

**Initial global position of robot**

**Name of root link**

**<link name="link1" />  
<link name="link2" />  
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robots/robot\_urdf\_example.js

Indexing KinEval robot object in JavaScript:  
robot.links["link\_name"]

example to access the parent joint of "link2":  
robot.links["link2"].parent

```
<link name="link1" />
```

```
<link name="link2" />
```

```
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```

```
<link name="link4" />
```



## robots/robot\_urdf\_example.js

```
// roll-pitch-yaw defined by ROS as corresponding to x-y-z  
//http://wiki.ros.org/urdf/Tutorials/Create%20your%20own%20u
```

```
// specify and create data objects for the joints of the robot
```

```
robot.joints = {};
```

```
robot.joints.joint1 = {parent:"link1", child:"link2"};
```

```
robot.joints.joint1.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0.3,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint1.axis = [-1.0,0.0,0]; // simpler axis
```

```
robot.joints.joint2 = {parent:"link1", child:"link3"};
```

```
robot.joints.joint2.origin = {xyz: [-0.2,0.5,0], rpy:[0,0,1.57]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint2.axis = [-0.707,0.707,0];
```

```
robot.joints.joint3 = {parent:"link3", child:"link4"};
```

```
robot.joints.joint3.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0,0], rpy:[0,0,-1.57]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint3.axis = [0.707,-0.707,0];
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
/////      DEFINE LINK threejs GEOMETRIES
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
/* threejs geometry definition template, will be used by THREE.Mesh() to create threejs object
```

```
// create threejs geometry and insert into links_geom data object
```

```
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Note: KinEval made small change to example used on [ros.org](http://wiki.ros.org/urdf/Tutorials/Create%20your%20own%20urdf%20file):  
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```

```
robot.joints.joint1.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0.3,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint1.axis = [-1.0,0.0,0]; // simpler axis
```

```
robot.joints.joint2 = {parent:"link1", child:"link3"};
```

```
robot.joints.joint2.origin = {xyz: [-0.2,0.5,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint2.axis = [-0.707,0.707,0];
```

```
robot.joints.joint3 = {parent:"link3", child:"link4"};
```

```
robot.joints.joint3.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
```

```
robot.joints.joint3.axis = [0.707,-0.707,0];
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
///// DEFINE LINK threejs GEOMETRIES
```

```
////////////////////////////////////
```

```
/* threejs geometry definition template, will be
```

```
// create threejs geometry and insert into link
```

```
<joint name="joint1" type="continuous">
  <parent link="link1" />
  <child link="link2" />
  <origin xyz="5 3 0" rpy="0 0 0" />
  <axis xyz="-0.9 0.15 0" />
</joint>
```

### Joint specifies

- “parent” and “child” links
- Transform parameters for joint wrt. link frame
  - “xyz”:  $T(x,y,z)$
  - “rpy”:  $R_x(\text{roll}), R_y(\text{pitch}), R_z(\text{yaw})$
- Joint “axis” of motion for DOF
- “type” of joint motion for DOF state “angle”
  - “continuous” for rotation without limits
  - “revolute” for rotation within limits
  - “prismatic” for translation within limits

```
// roll-pitch-yaw defined by ROS as corresponding to x-y-z
//http://wiki.ros.org/urdf/Tutorials/Create%20your%20own%20urdf%20file

// specify and create data objects for the joints of the robot
robot.joints = {};

robot.joints.joint1 = {parent:"link1", child:"link2"};
robot.joints.joint1.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0.3,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
robot.joints.joint1.axis = [-1.0,0.0,0]; // simpler axis

robot.joints.joint2 = {parent:"link1", child:"link3"};
robot.joints.joint2.origin = {xyz: [-0.2,0.5,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
robot.joints.joint2.axis = [-0.707,0.707,0];

robot.joints.joint3 = {parent:"link3", child:"link4"};
robot.joints.joint3.origin = {xyz: [0.5,0,0], rpy:[0,0,0]};
robot.joints.joint3.axis = [0.707,-0.707,0];

////////////////////////////////////
/////      DEFINE LINK threejs GEOMETRIES
////////////////////////////////////

/* threejs geometry definition template, will be used by THREE.Mesh() to create threejs object
// create threejs geometry and insert into links_geom data object
```

```
<joint name="joint1" type="continuous">
  <parent link="link1" />
  <child link="link2" />
  <origin xyz="5 3 0" rpy="0 0 0" />
  <axis xyz="-0.9 0.15 0" />
</joint>
```

JavaScript Indexing:  
 robot.joints["joint\_name"]  
 example to access the axis of "joint3":  
 robot.joints["joint3"].axis



```
links_geom["link1"].rotateOnAxis(temp3axis,Math.PI/4);
*/

// define threejs geometries and associate with robot links
links_geom = {};

links_geom["link1"] = new THREE.CubeGeometry( 0.7+0.2, 0.5+0.2, 0.2 );
links_geom["link1"].applyMatrix( new THREE.Matrix4().makeTranslation((0.5-0.2)/2, 0.5/2, 0) );

links_geom["link2"] = new THREE.CubeGeometry( 0.5+0.2, 0.2, 0.2 );
links_geom["link2"].applyMatrix( new THREE.Matrix4().makeTranslation(0.5/2, 0, 0) );

links_geom["link3"] = new THREE.CubeGeometry( 0.5+0.2, 0.2, 0.2 );
links_geom["link3"].applyMatrix( new THREE.Matrix4().makeTranslation(0.5/2, 0, 0) );

links_geom["link4"] = new THREE.CubeGeometry( 0.5+0.2, 0.2, 0.2 );
links_geom["link4"].applyMatrix( new THREE.Matrix4().makeTranslation(0.5/2, 0, 0) );
```

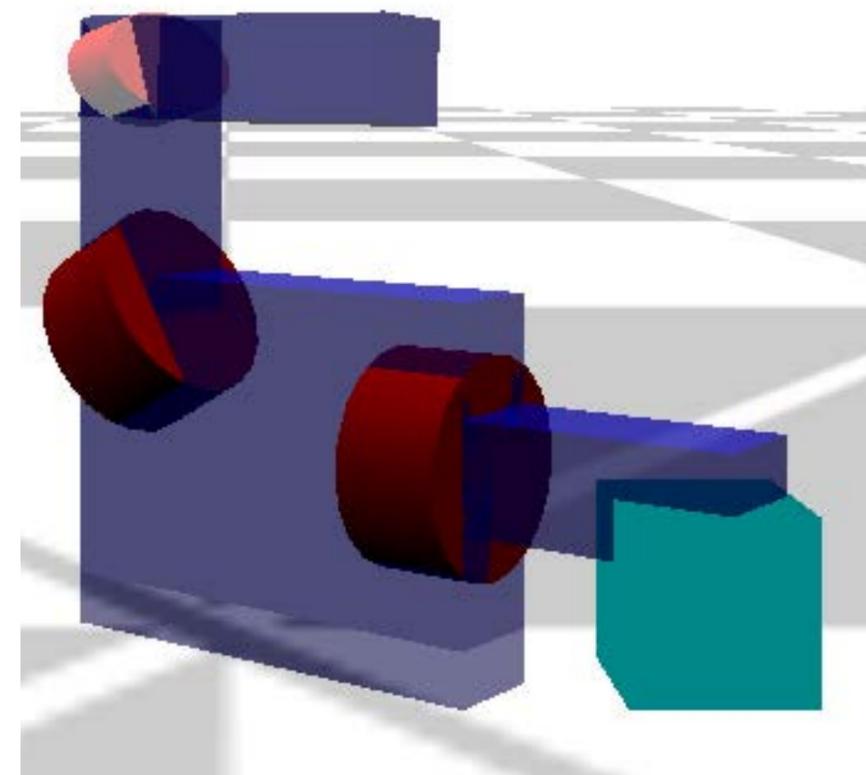
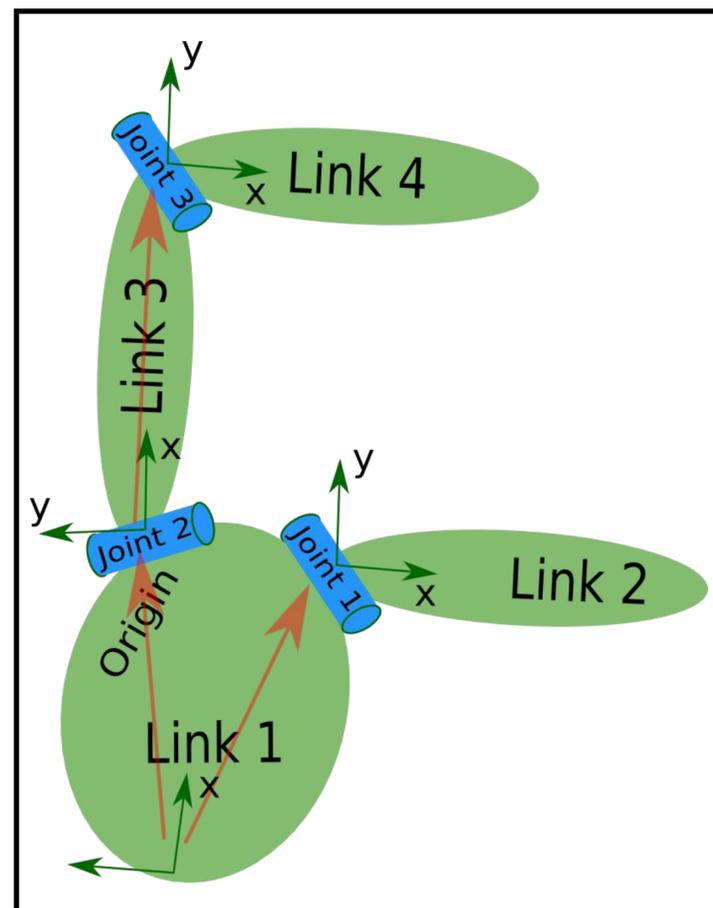
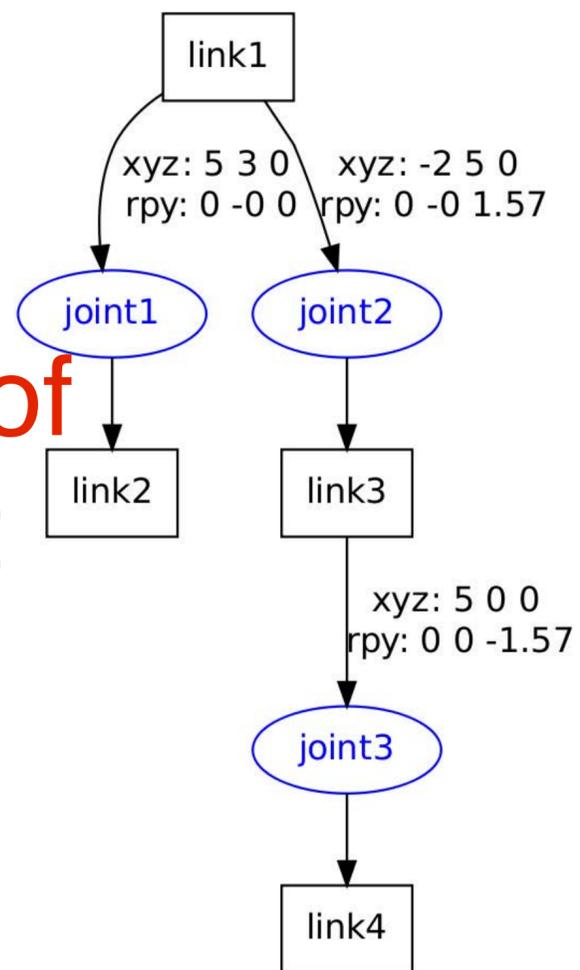
threejs geometries are associated with each link for visual rendering

(you should not need to worry about geometry or 3D rendering for FK, but is important if you want to create your own robot description)



# Hierarchies of Transforms

each arrow is a matrix transform of child wrt. parent



How to compose these matrices hierarchically to compute transform wrt. world?

# Hierarchies of Transforms

```
<robot name="test_robot">  
  <link name="link1" />  
  <link name="link2" />  
  <link name="link3" />  
  <link name="link4" />
```

URDF defines kinematics of a robot

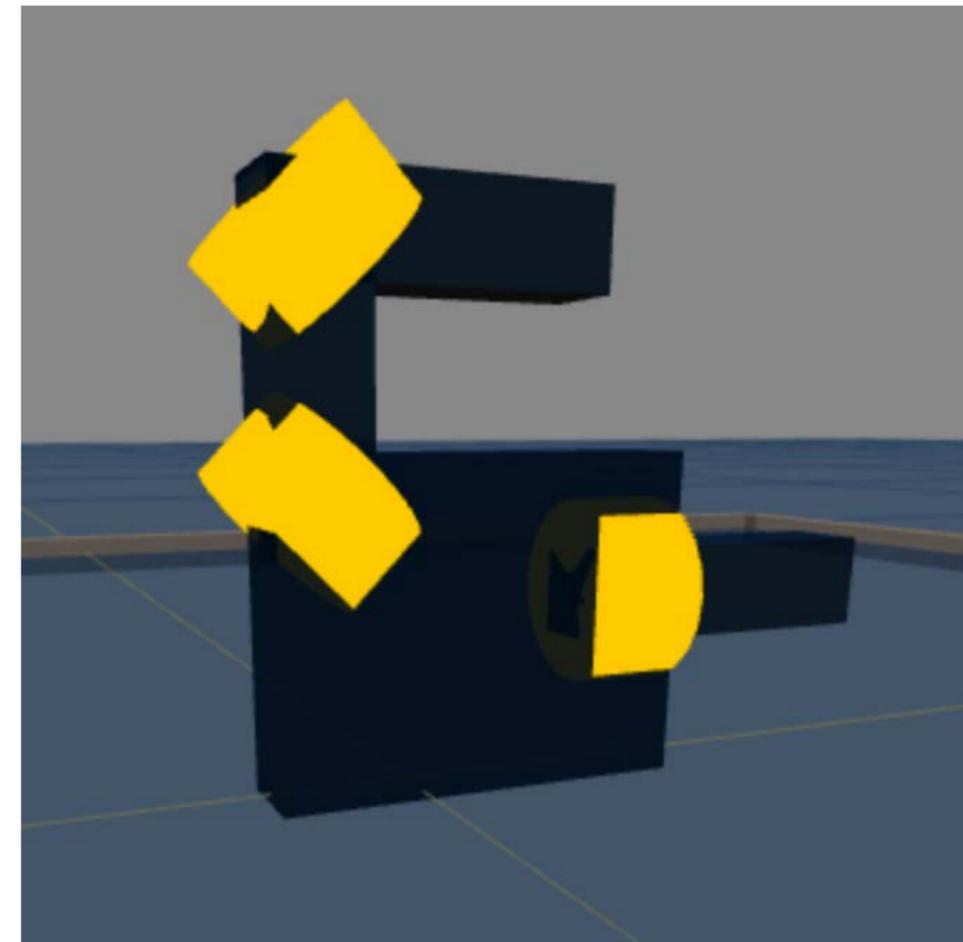
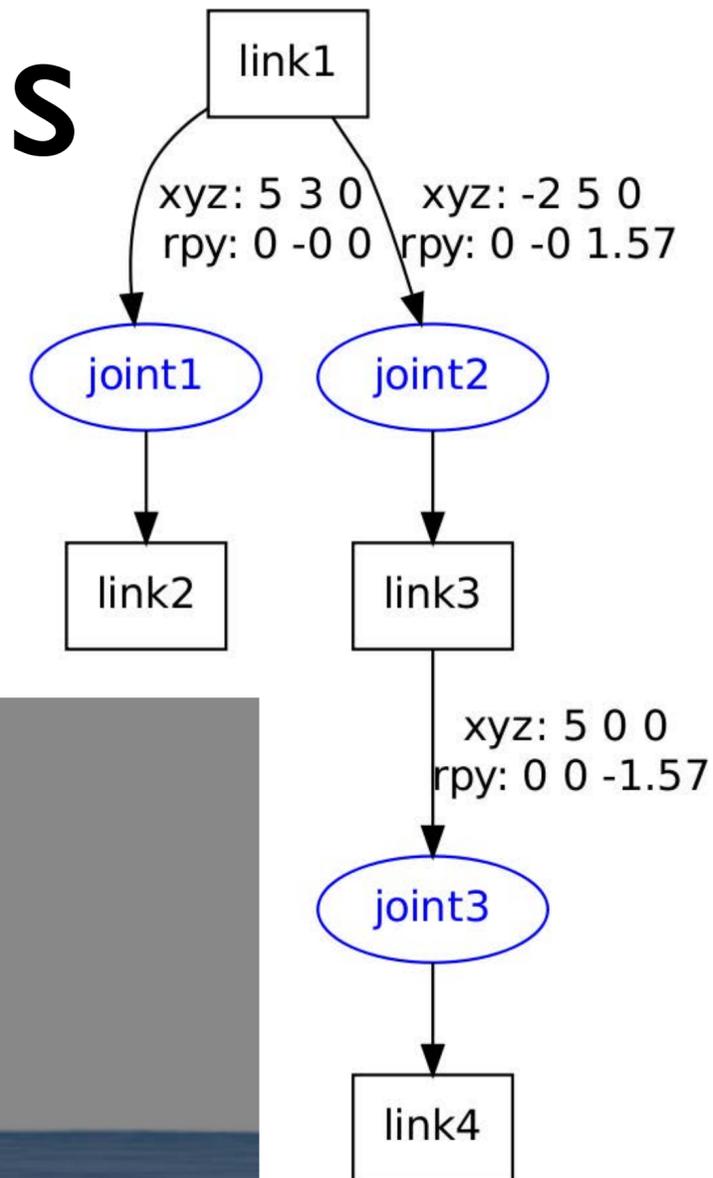
```
<joint name="joint1" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link1"/>  
  <child link="link2"/>  
  <origin xyz="5 3 0" rpy="0 0 0" />  
  <axis xyz="-0.9 0.15 0" />  
</joint>
```

includes axis for each joint

```
<joint name="joint2" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link1"/>  
  <child link="link3"/>  
  <origin xyz="-2 5 0" rpy="0 0 1.57" />  
  <axis xyz="-0.707 0.707 0" />  
</joint>
```

```
<joint name="joint3" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link3"/>  
  <child link="link4"/>  
  <origin xyz="5 0 0" rpy="0 0 -1.57" />  
  <axis xyz="0.707 -0.707 0" />  
</joint>
```

```
</robot>
```

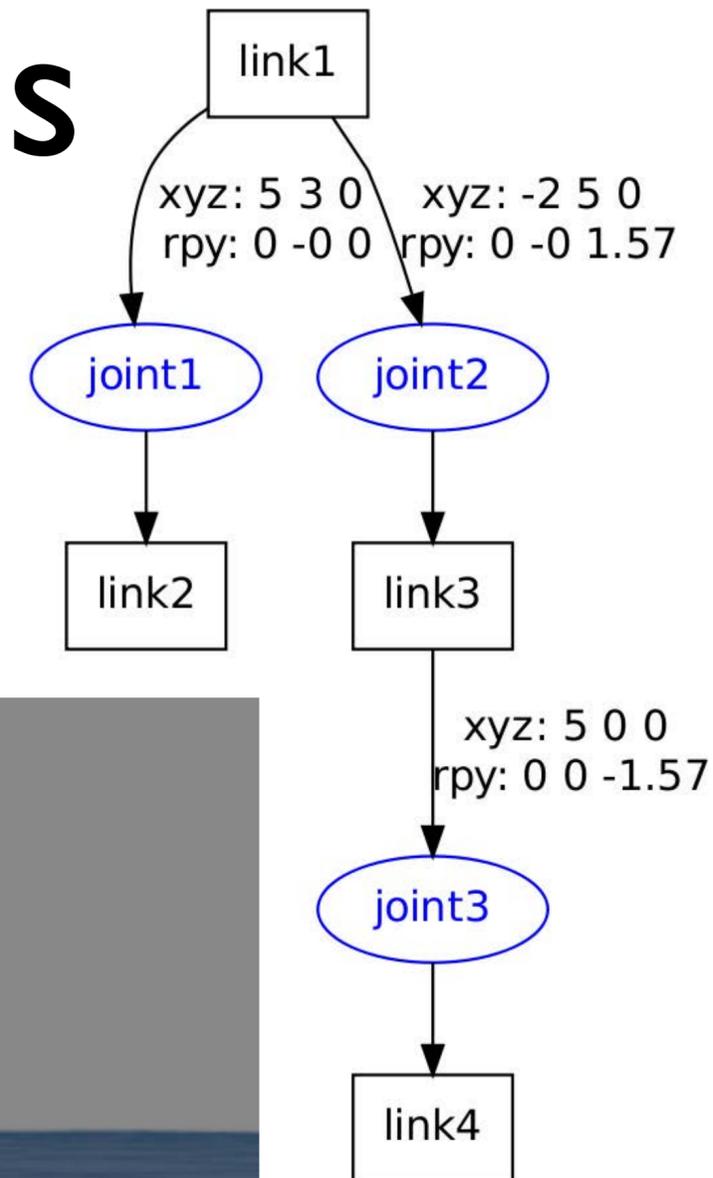
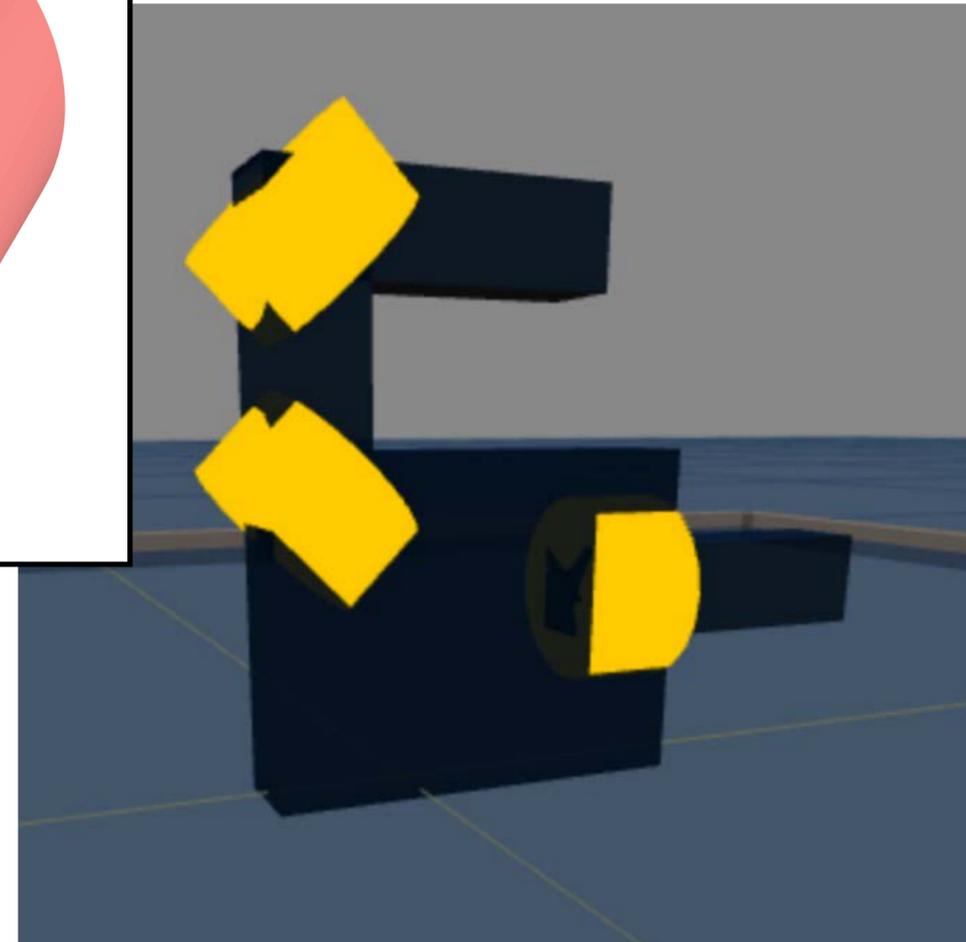
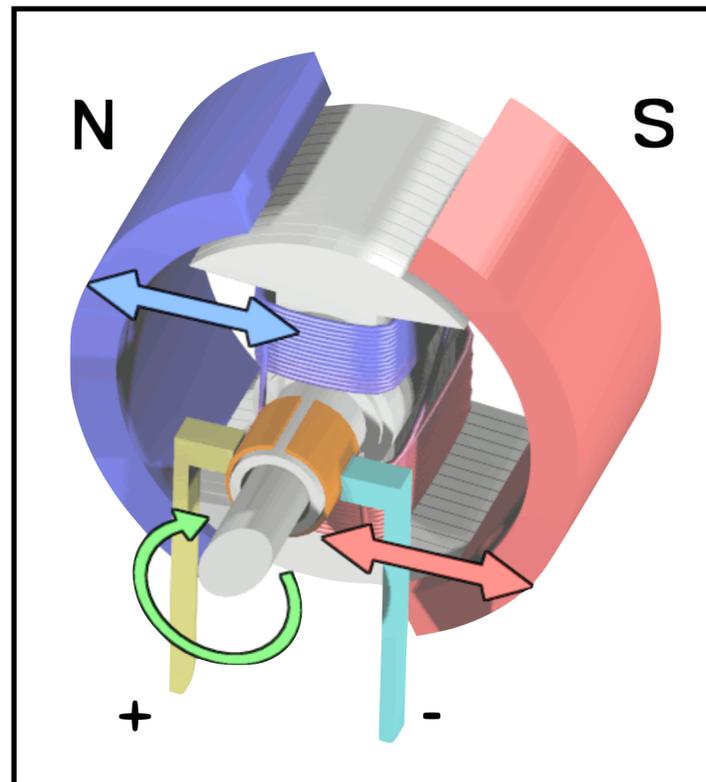


# Hierarchies of Transforms

```
<robot name="test_robot">  
  <link name="link1" />  
  <link name="link2" />  
  <link name="link3" />  
  <link name="link4" />
```

each axis is a DOF that can  
be moved by a motor

```
<joint name="joint1" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link1"/>  
  <child link="link2"/>  
  <origin xyz="5 3 0" rpy="0 0 0" />  
  <axis xyz="-0.9 0.15 0" />  
</joint>  
  
<joint name="joint2" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link1"/>  
  <child link="link3"/>  
  <origin xyz="-2 5 0" rpy="0 0 1.57" />  
  <axis xyz="-0.707 0.707 0" />  
</joint>  
  
<joint name="joint3" type="continuous">  
  <parent link="link3"/>  
  <child link="link4"/>  
  <origin xyz="5 0 0" rpy="0 0 -1.57" />  
  <axis xyz="0.707 -0.707 0" />  
</joint>  
</robot>
```



# How to include joint movement in matrix stack?

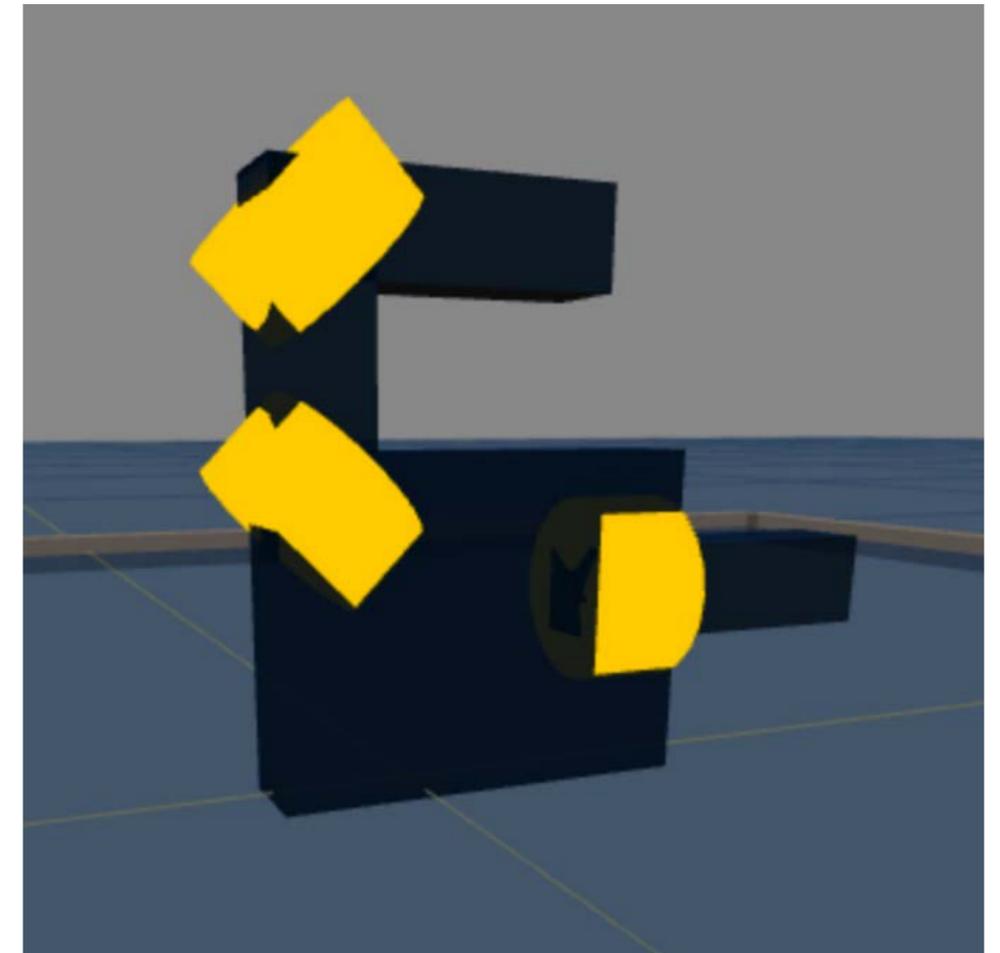
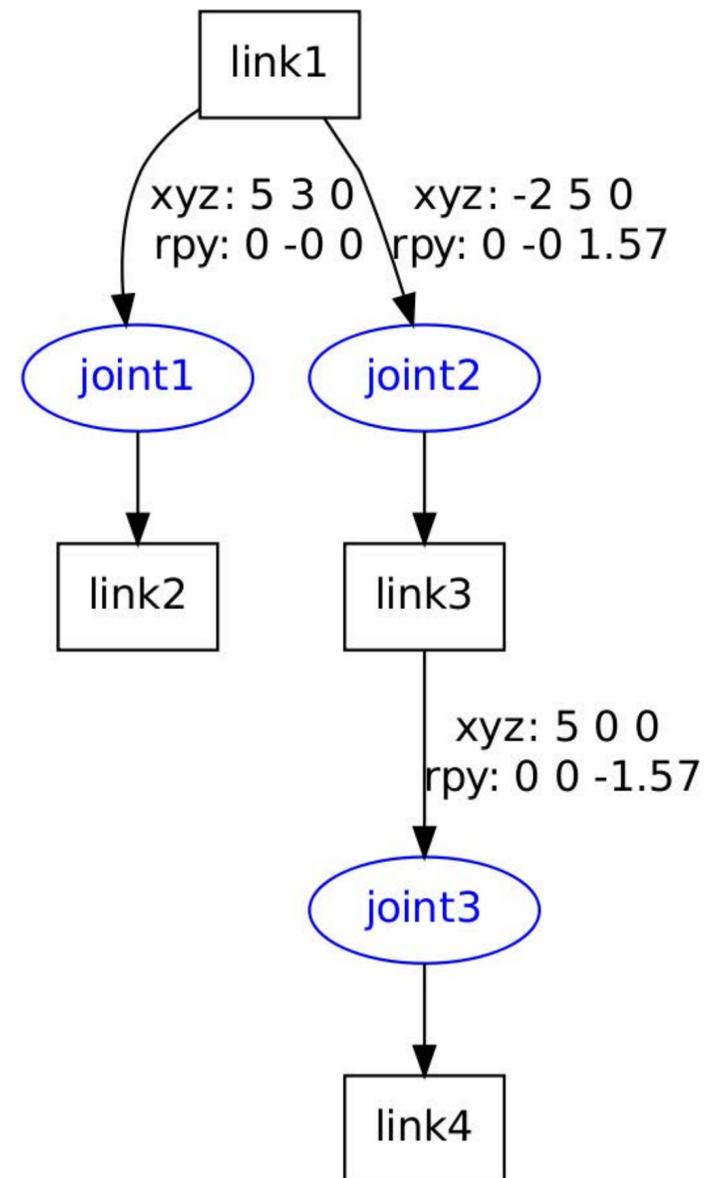
## How to rotate about an axis?

```
<robot name="test_robot">
  <link name="link1" />
  <link name="link2" />
  <link name="link3" />
  <link name="link4" />

  <joint name="joint1" type="continuous">
    <parent link="link1"/>
    <child link="link2"/>
    <origin xyz="5 3 0" rpy="0 0 0" />
    <axis xyz="-0.9 0.15 0" />
  </joint>

  <joint name="joint2" type="continuous">
    <parent link="link1"/>
    <child link="link3"/>
    <origin xyz="-2 5 0" rpy="0 0 1.57" />
    <axis xyz="-0.707 0.707 0" />
  </joint>

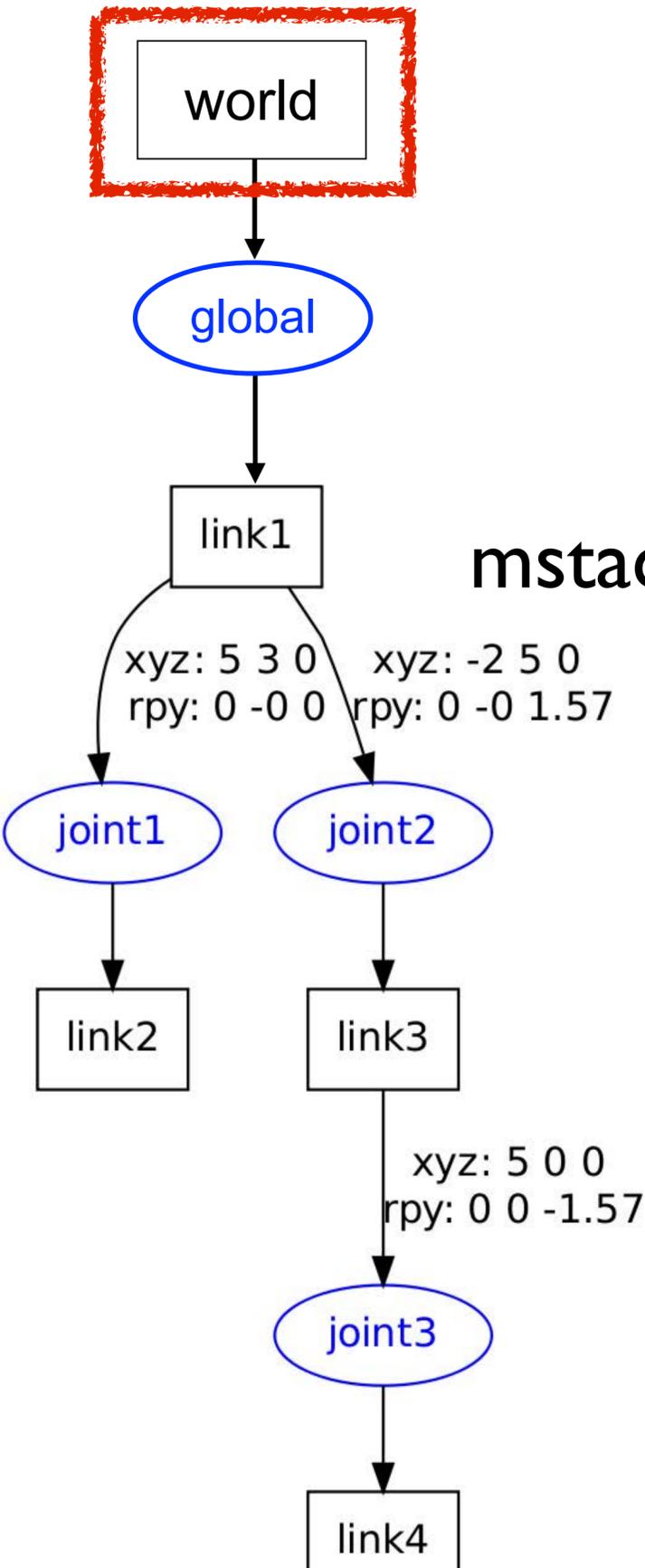
  <joint name="joint3" type="continuous">
    <parent link="link3"/>
    <child link="link4"/>
    <origin xyz="5 0 0" rpy="0 0 -1.57" />
    <axis xyz="0.707 -0.707 0" />
  </joint>
</robot>
```



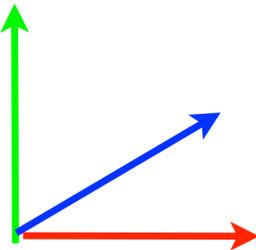
# Matrix Stack Reloaded



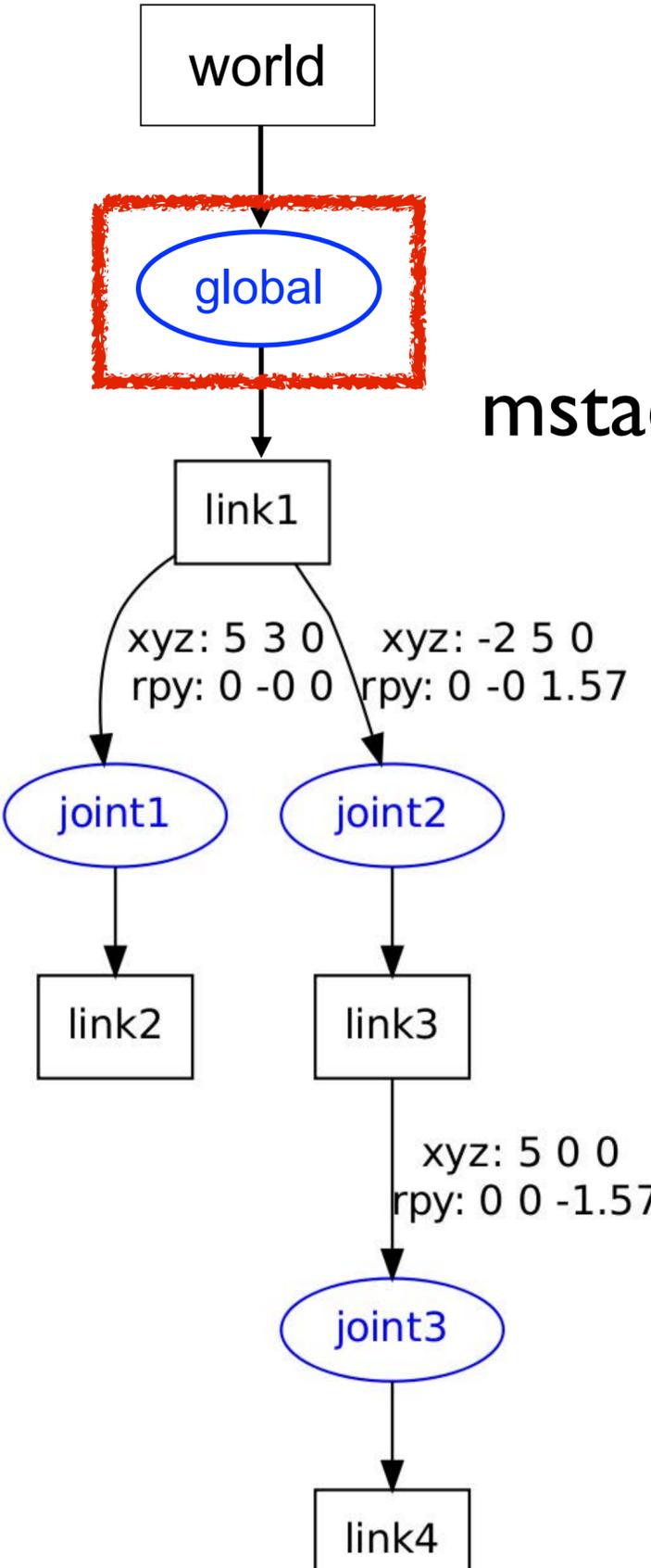
# Matrix Stack Reloaded



mstack=



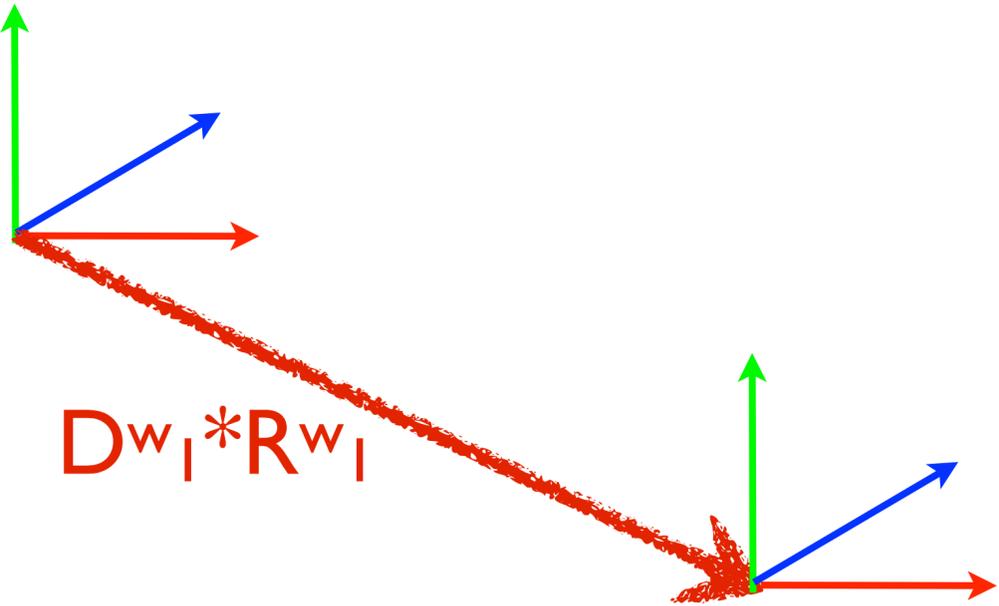
# Matrix Stack Reloaded



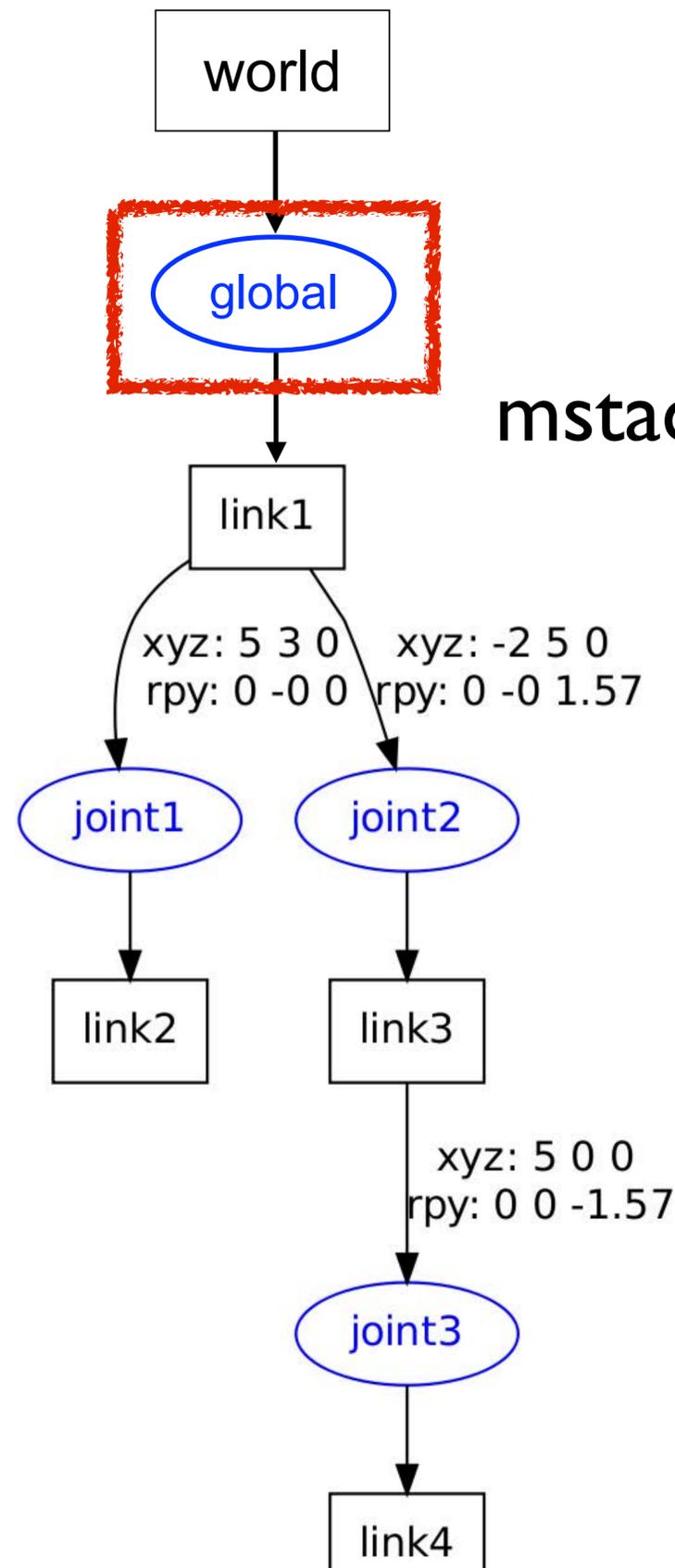
mstack=



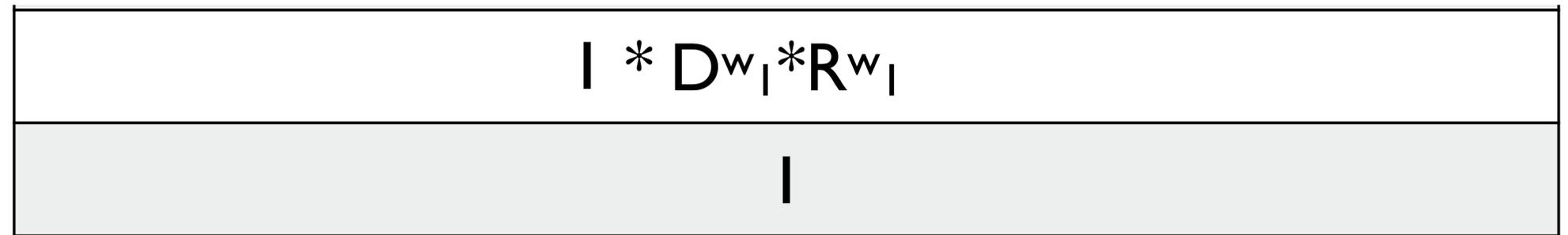
Push top of matrix stack up one level



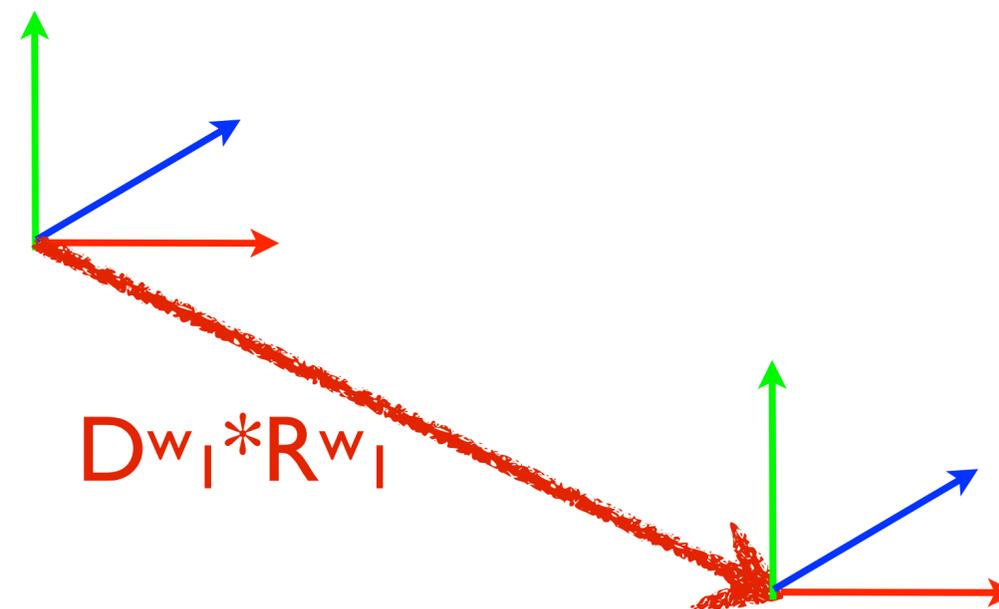
# Matrix Stack Reloaded



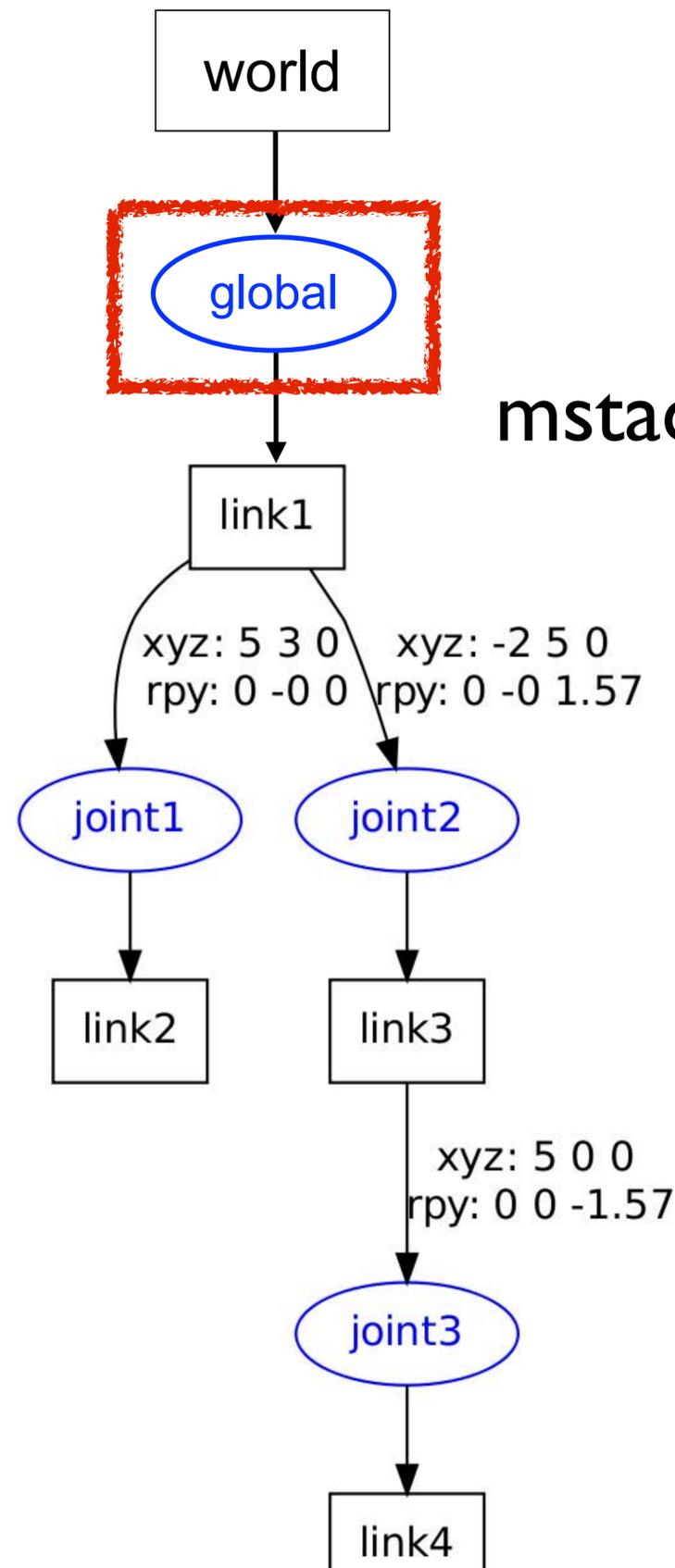
mstack=



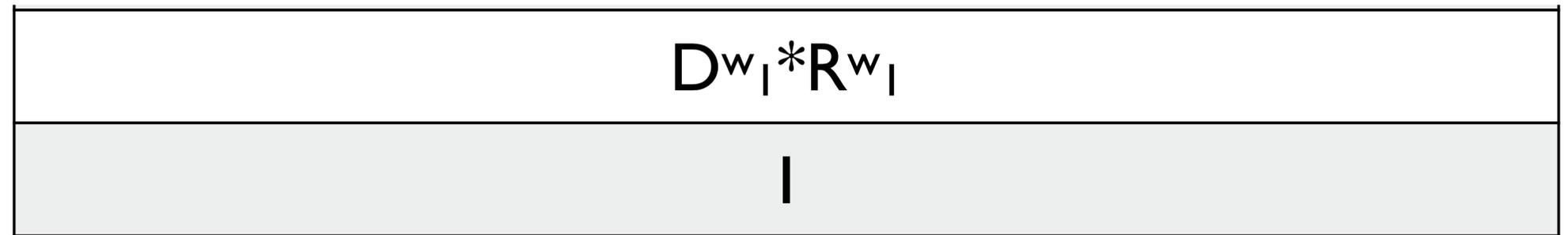
Multiply by transform of base frame wrt. world frame



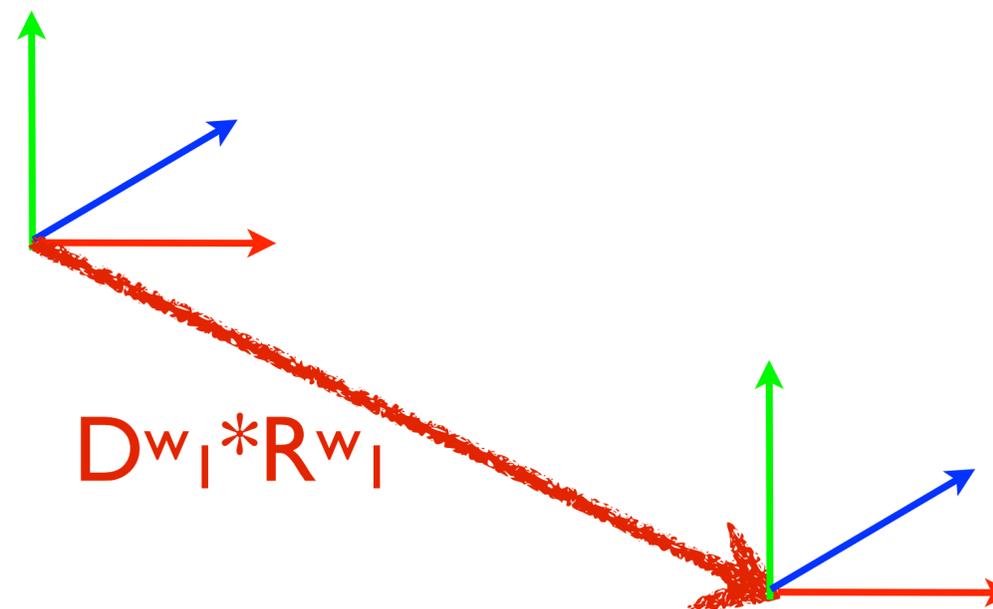
# Matrix Stack Reloaded



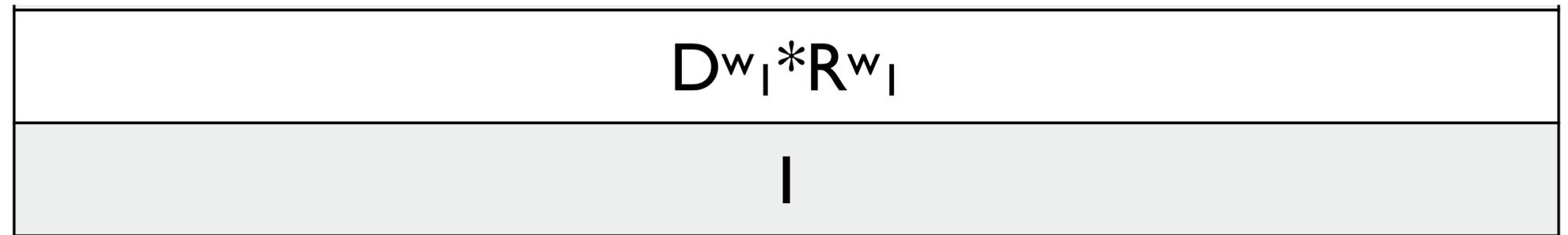
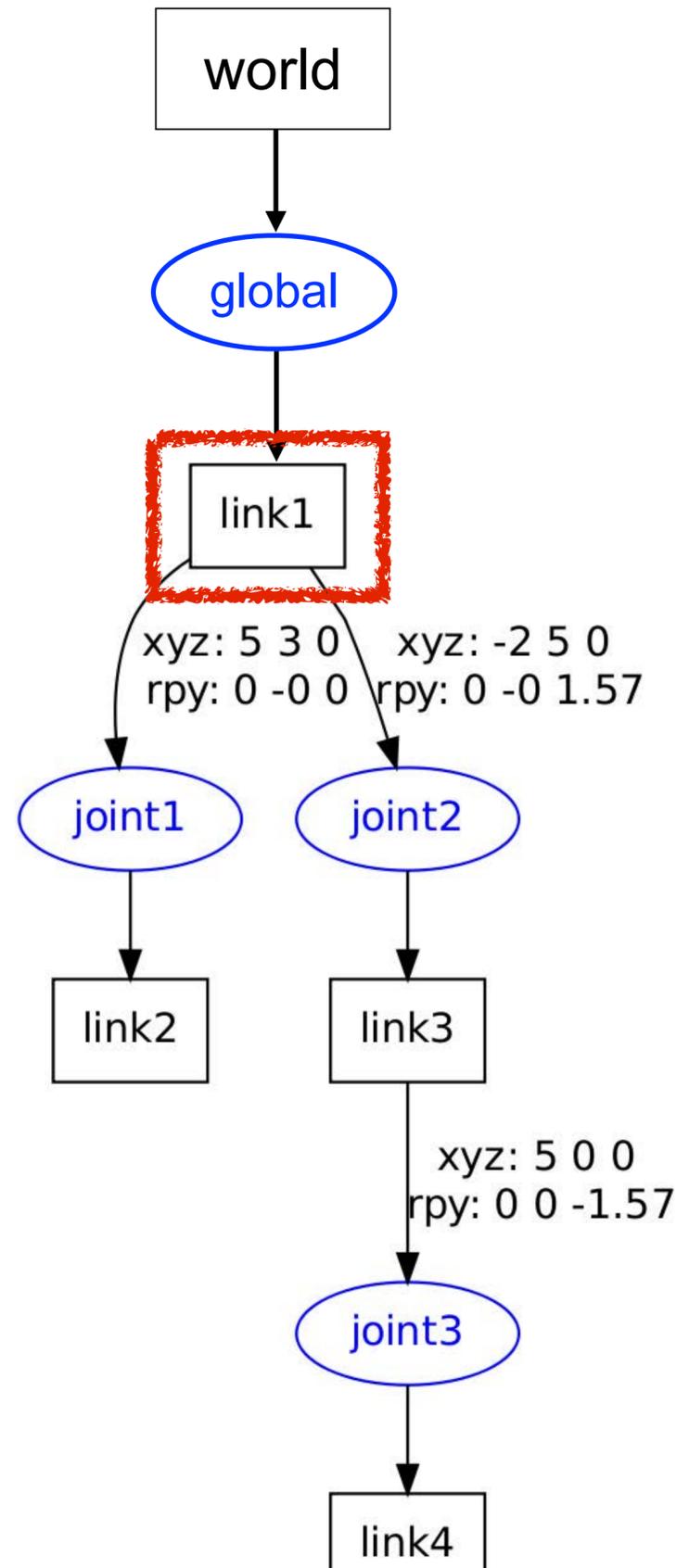
mstack=



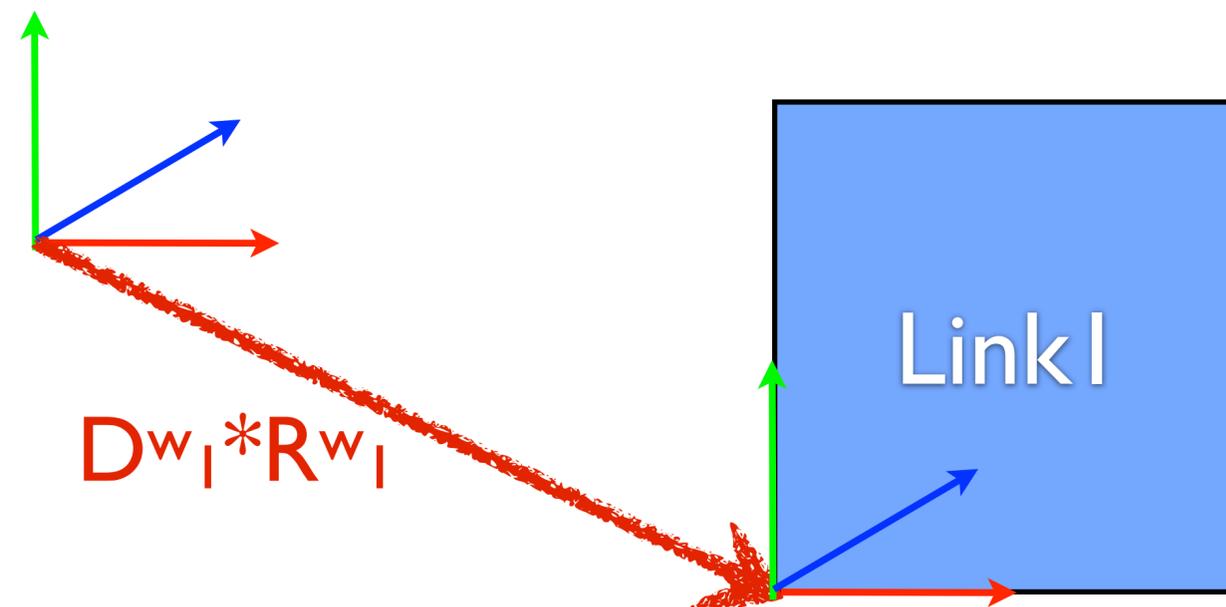
Top of matrix stack is now base frame posed wrt. the world frame

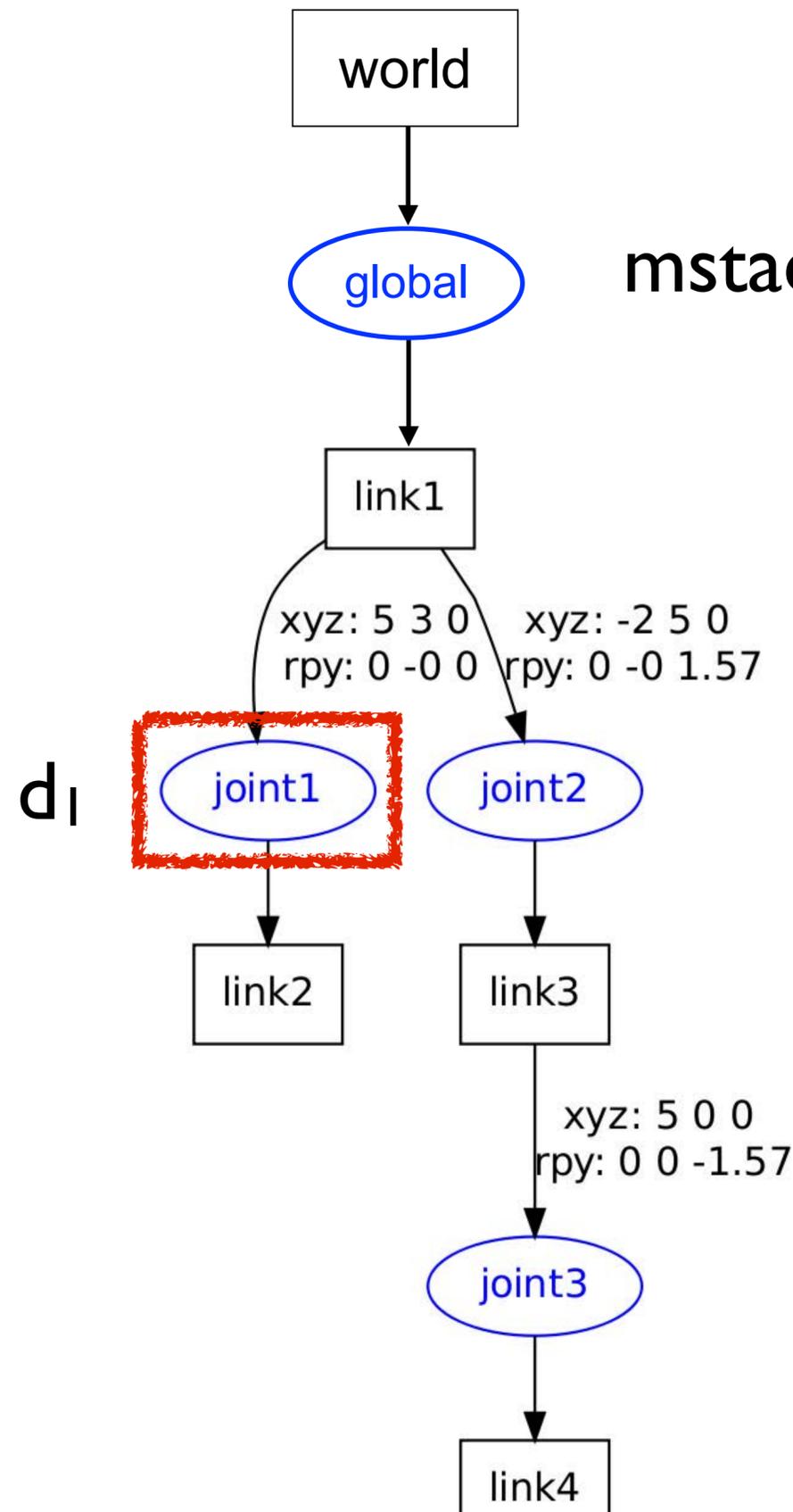


# Matrix Stack Reloaded



Geometry vertices of link1 can now be transformed into pose in the world frame

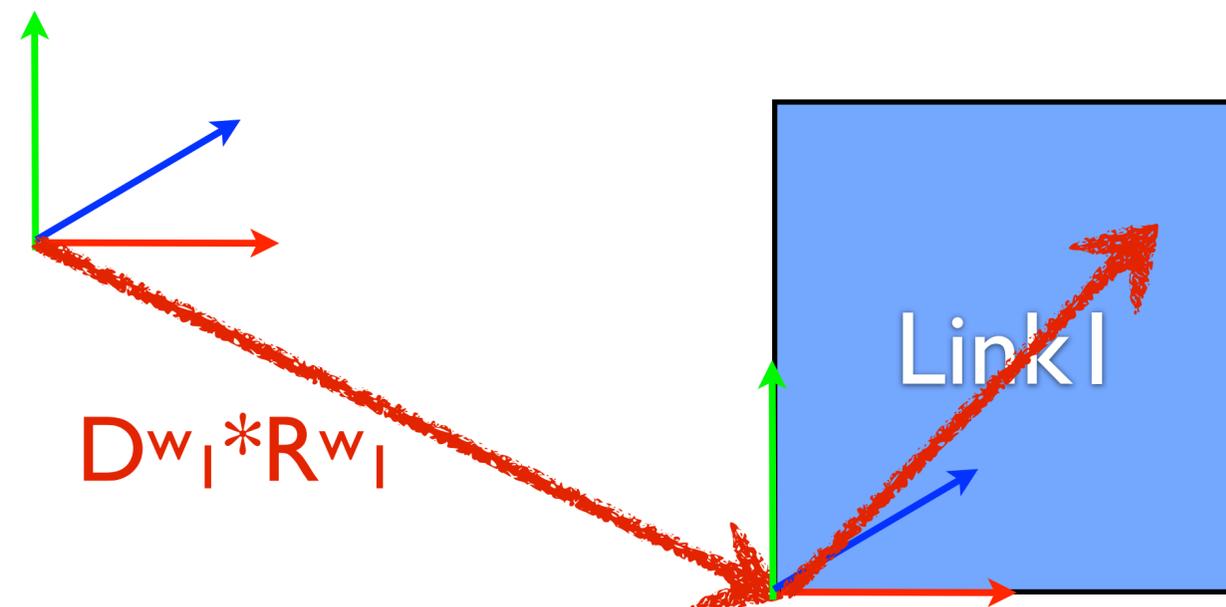


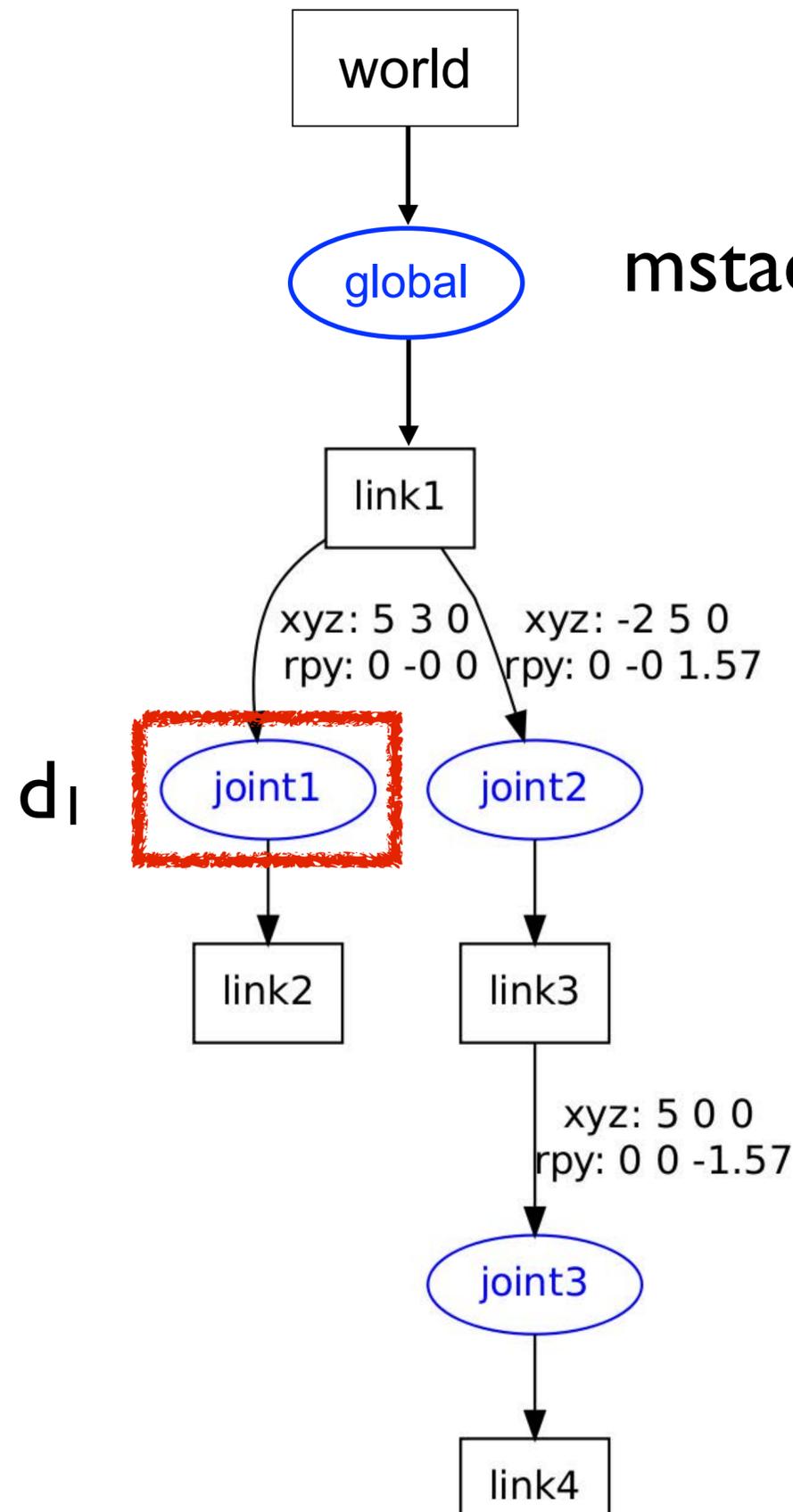


mstack=

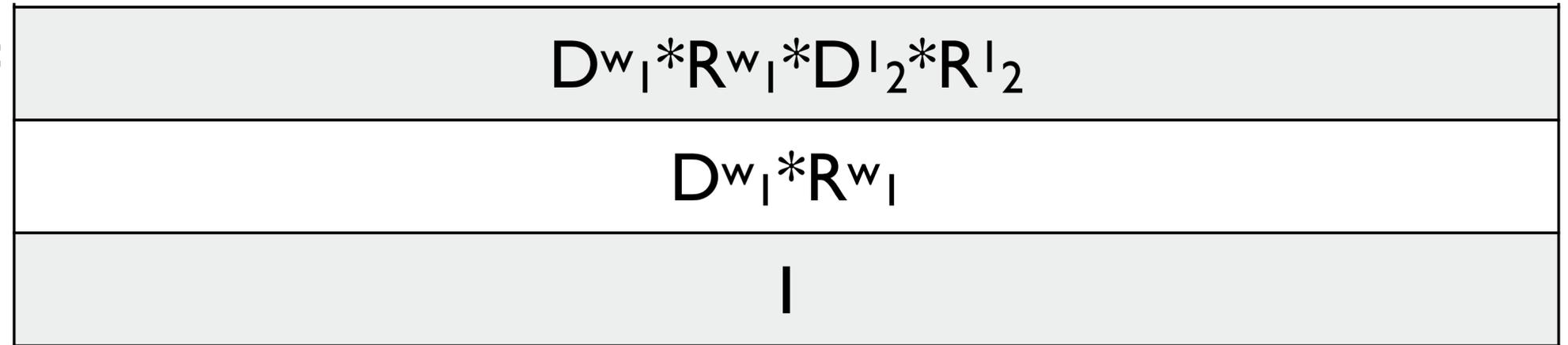
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_2} * R^{l_2}$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

Traverse first child joint (joint1) of link1.  
 Push top of matrix stack one level.  
 Multiply by transform from base to joint1 (link2).

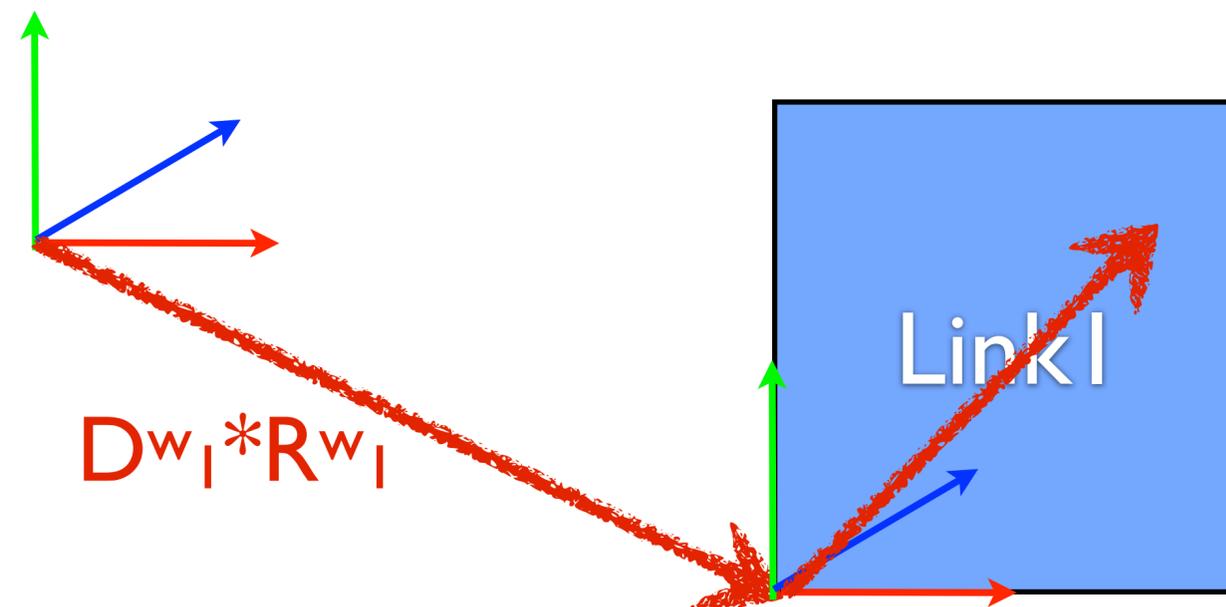




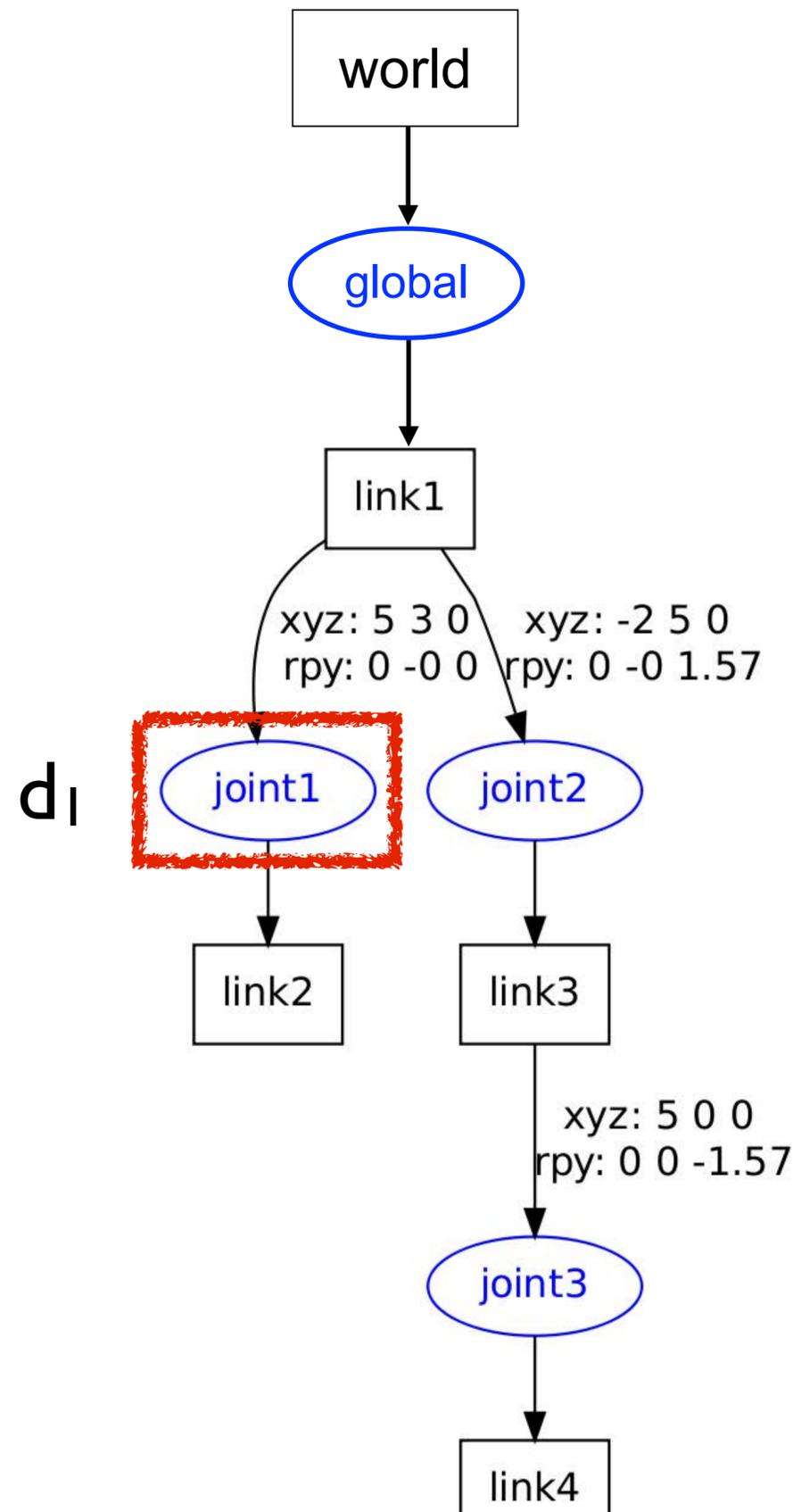
mstack=



Recursively, call a function to process joint

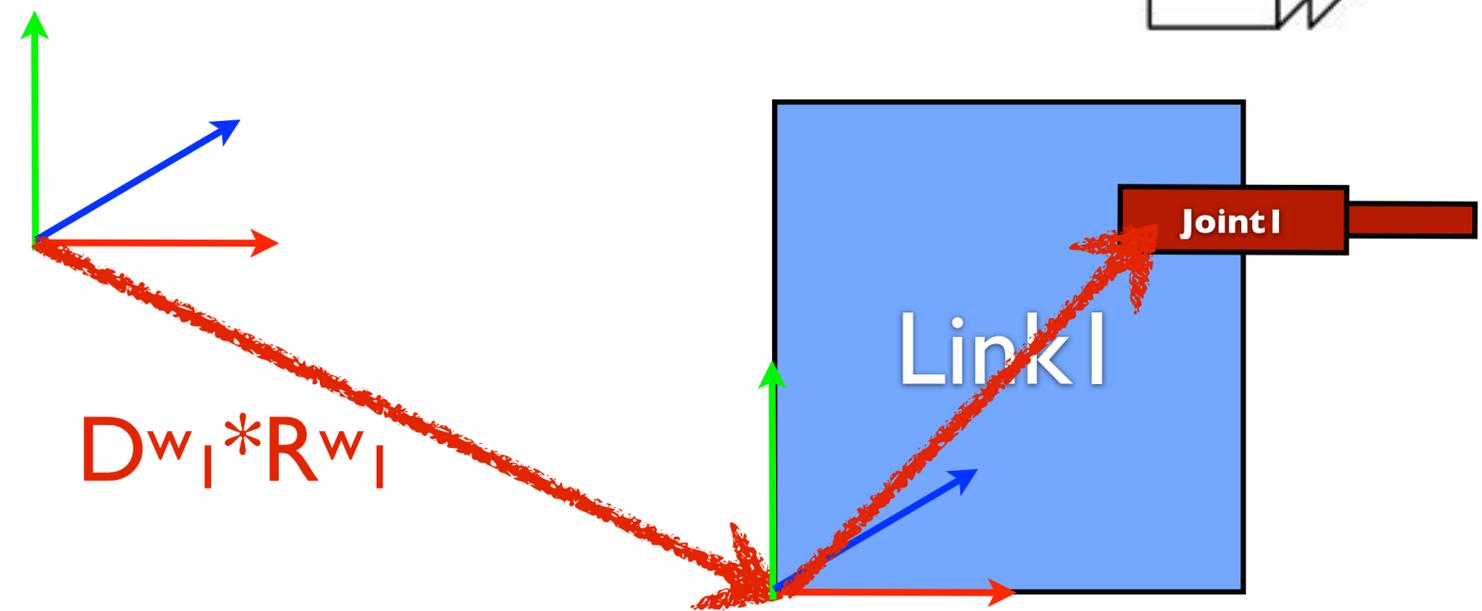
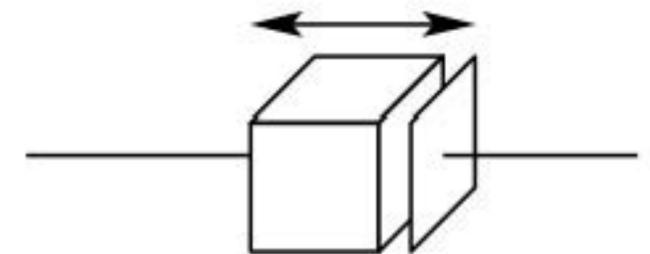


Assume joint1 is prismatic

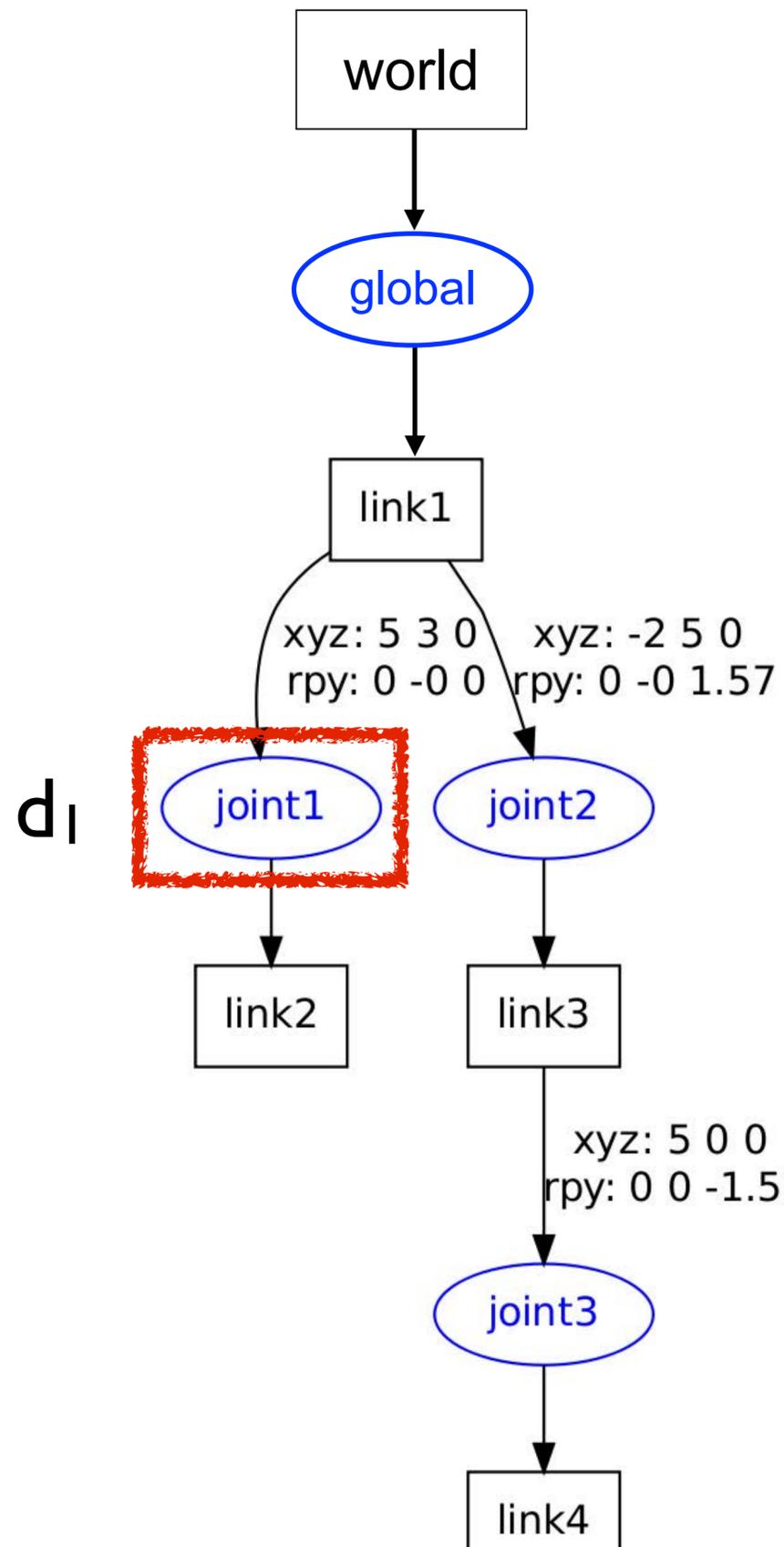


$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_2} * R^{l_2}$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

How can we account for joint1's motion?



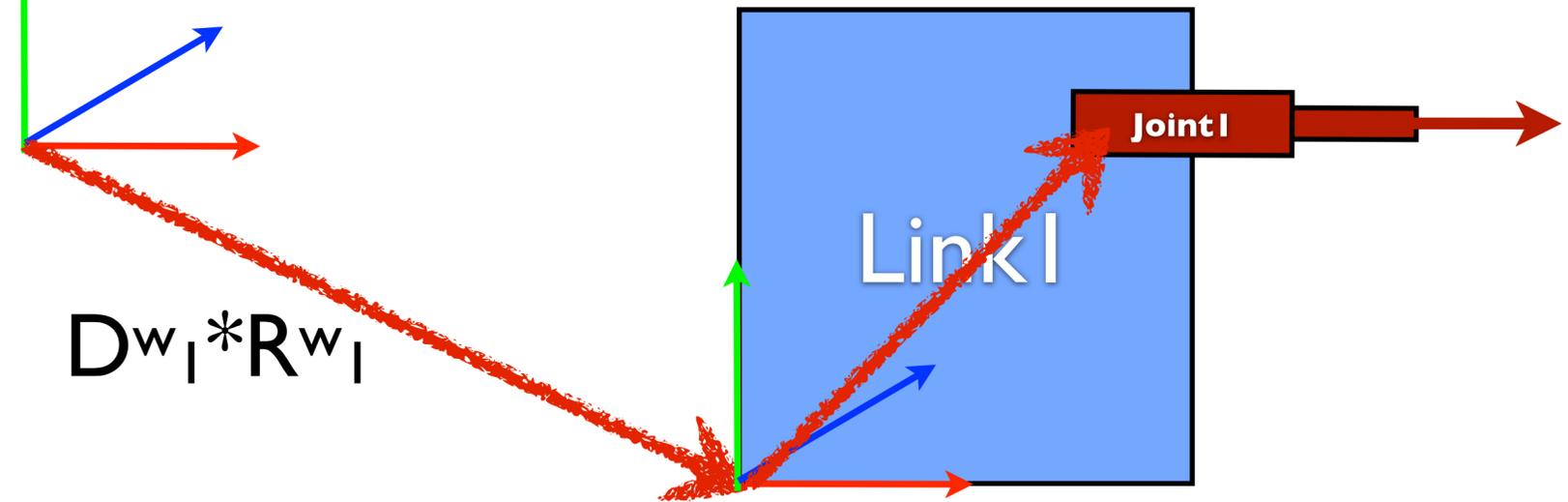
also push transform due to motor DOF

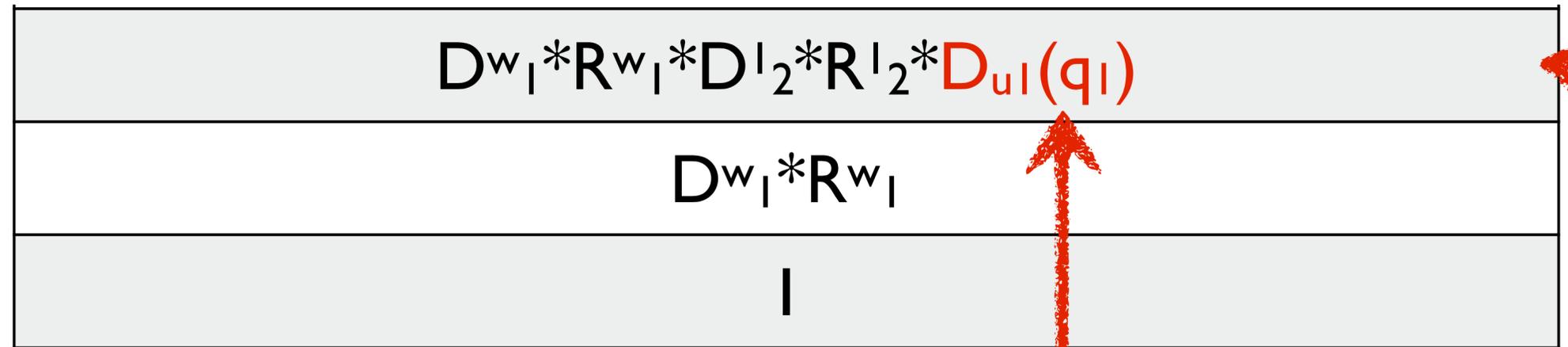
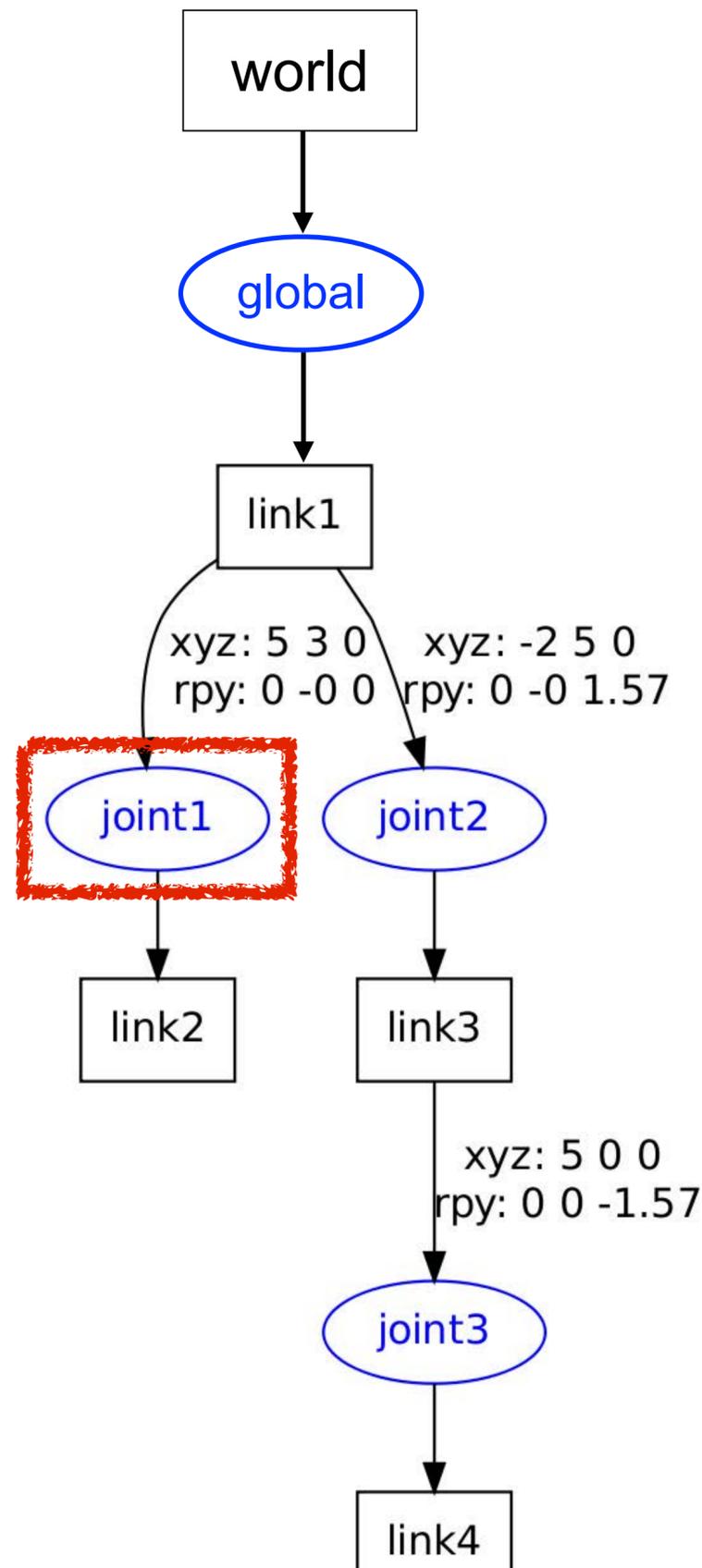


$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_2} * R^{l_2} \text{ ???}$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

What transform can account for joint1's motion?

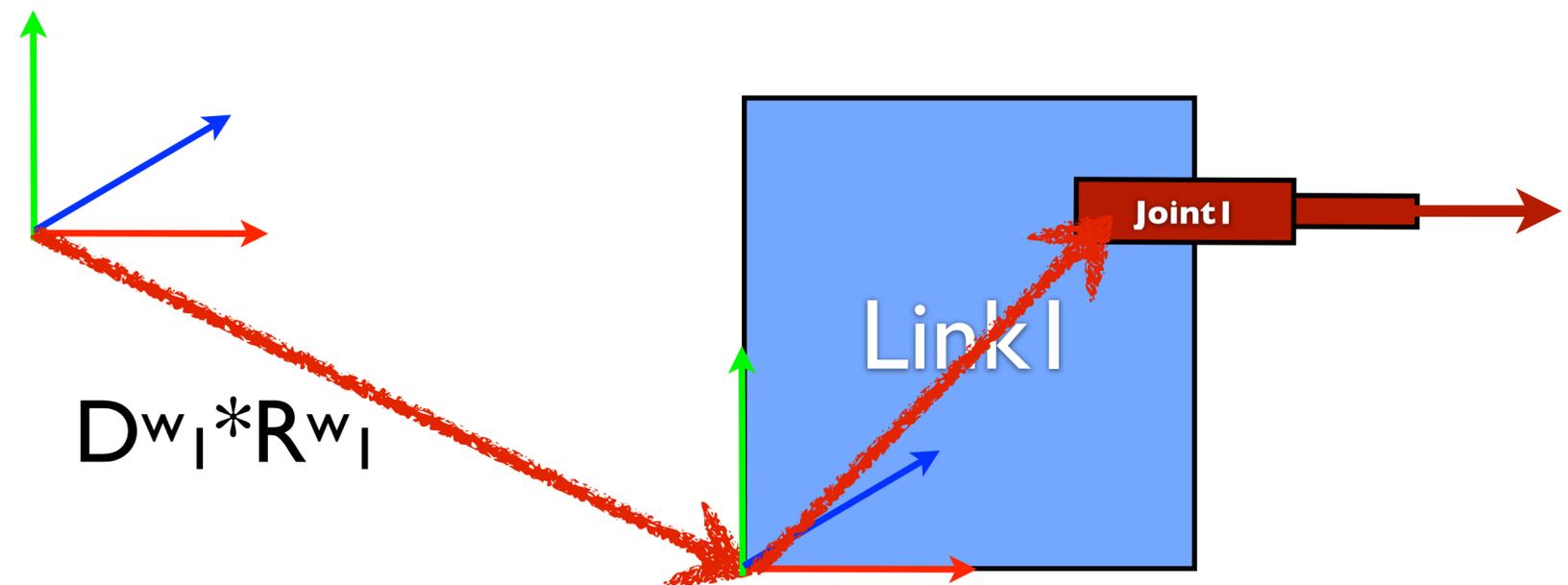
```
// joint axis in parent frame
robot.joints["joint1"].axis = [-0.9 0.15 0];
```



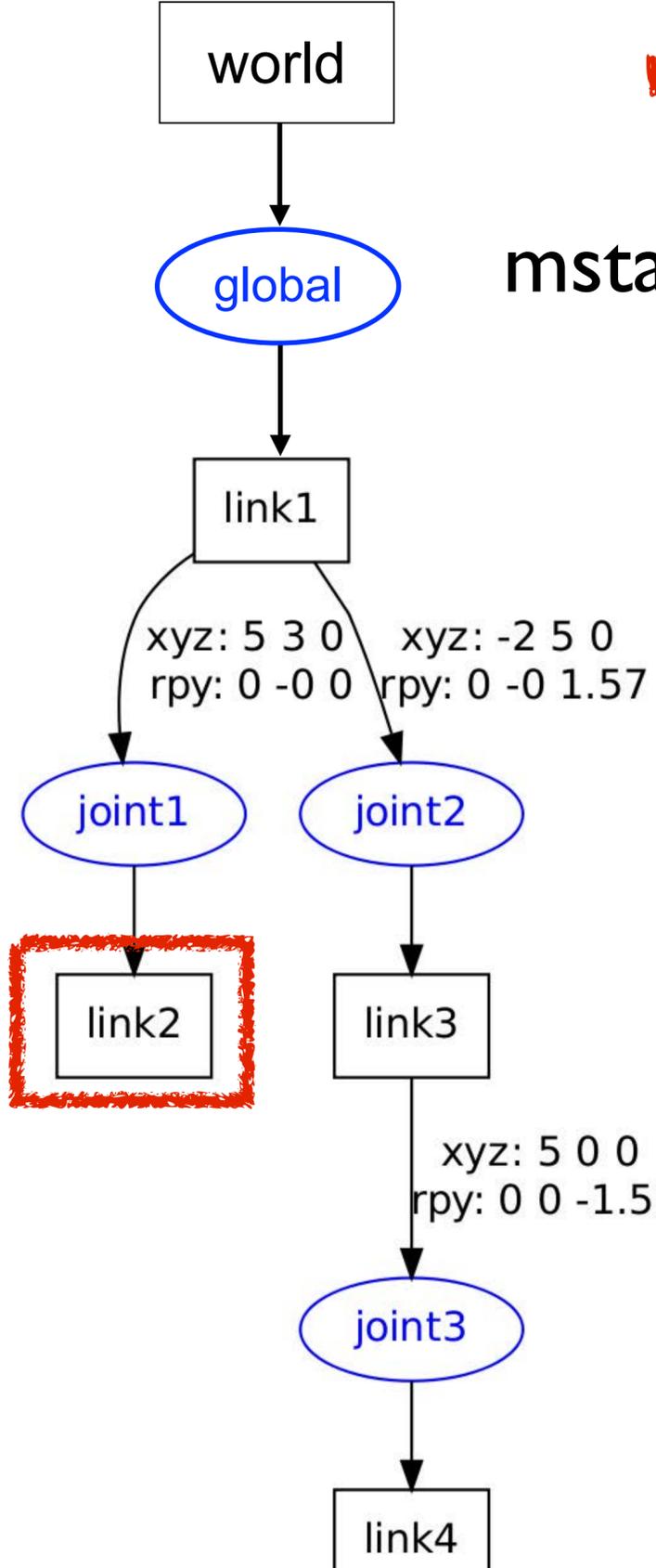


translation on unit joint axis  $u_1$  scaled by joint state  $q_1$

```
// transform of joint wrt. world
robot.joints["joint1"].xform = //this matrix
```



# motor transform affects outboard chain

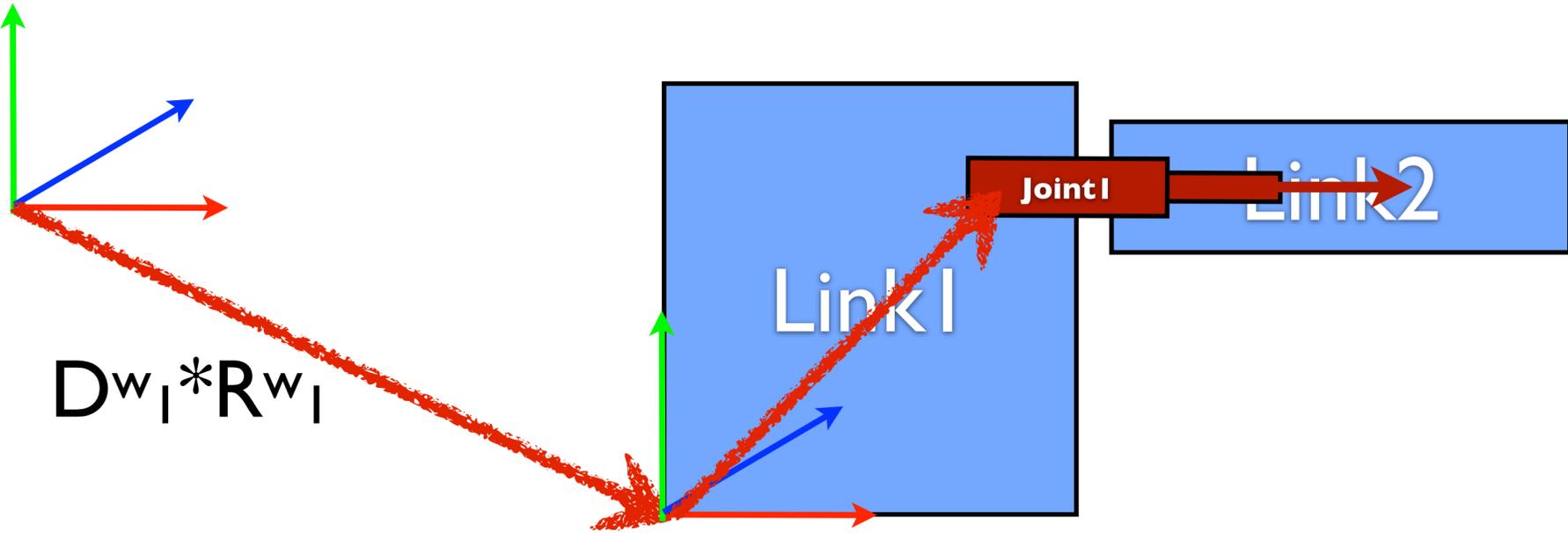


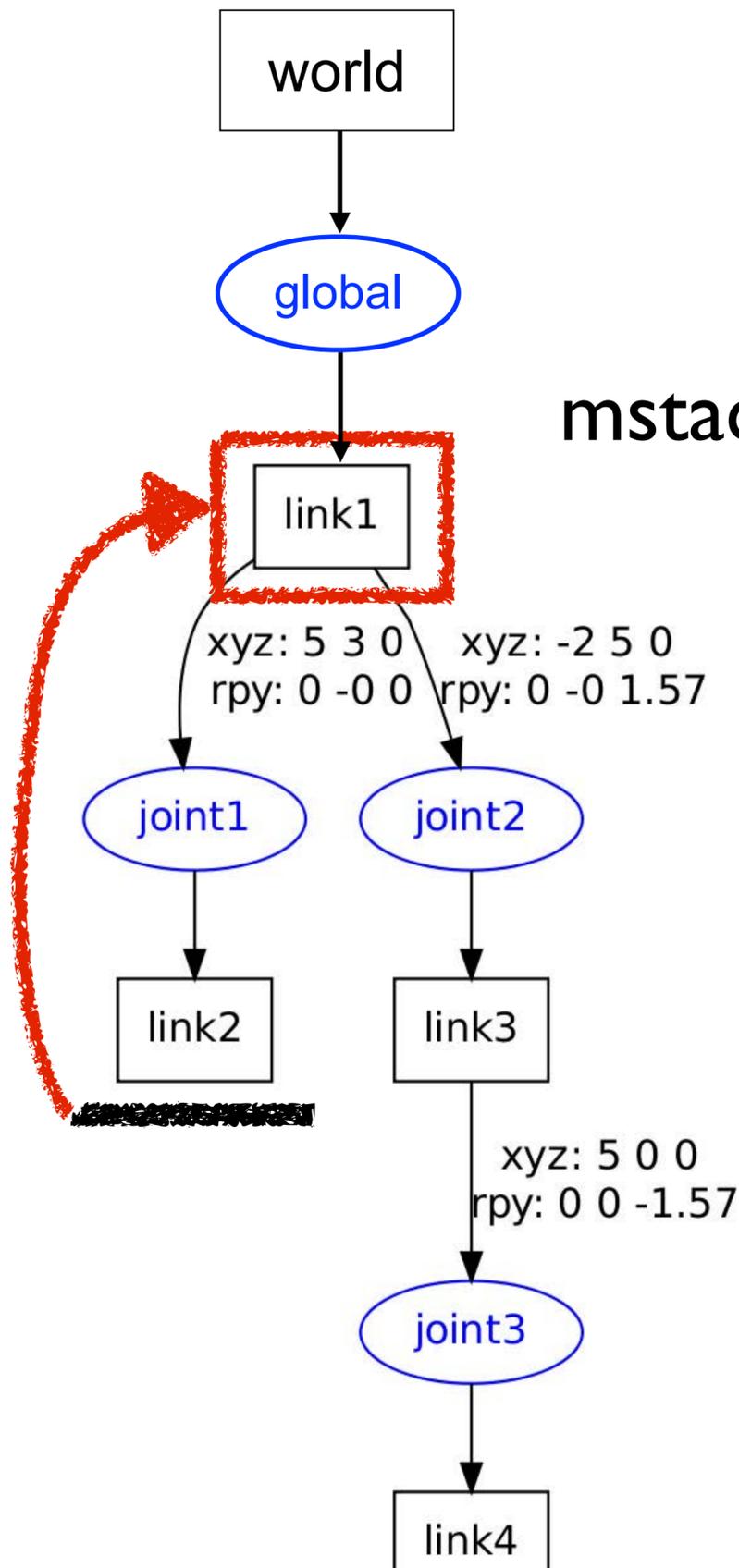
mstack=

$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_2} * R^{l_2} * D_{u1}(q_1)$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

$$Link_2^{world} = mstack * Link_2^{link2}$$

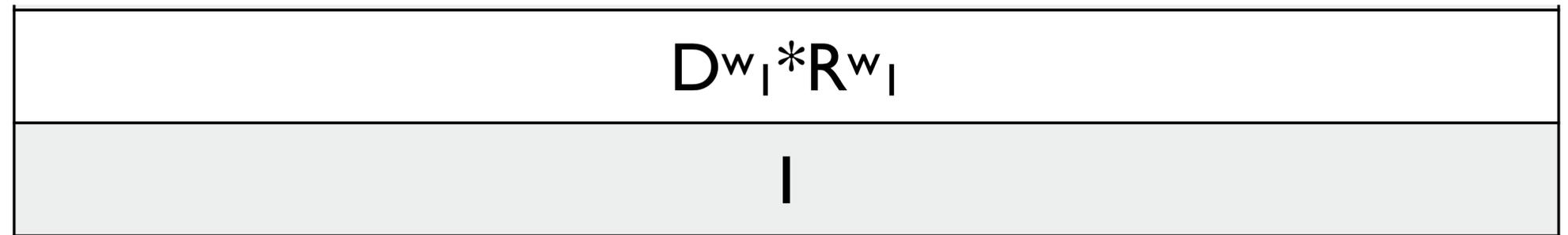
$$= (D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_2} * R^{l_2} * D_{u1}(q_1)) * Link_2^{link2}$$



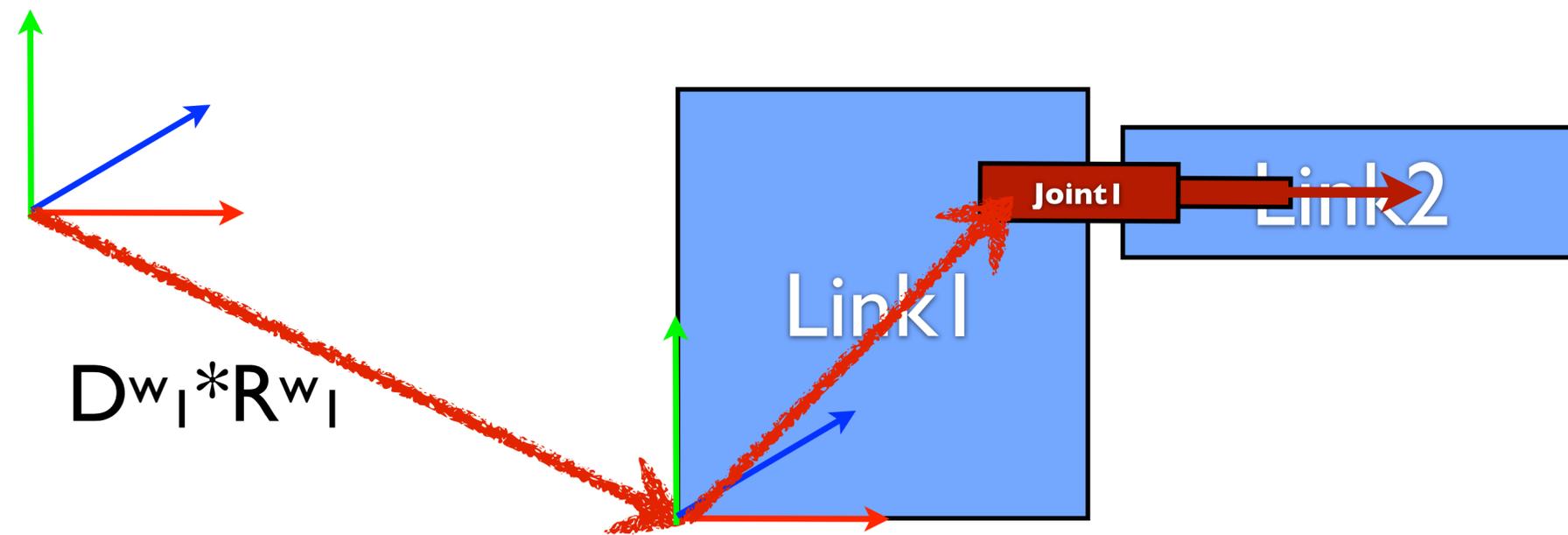


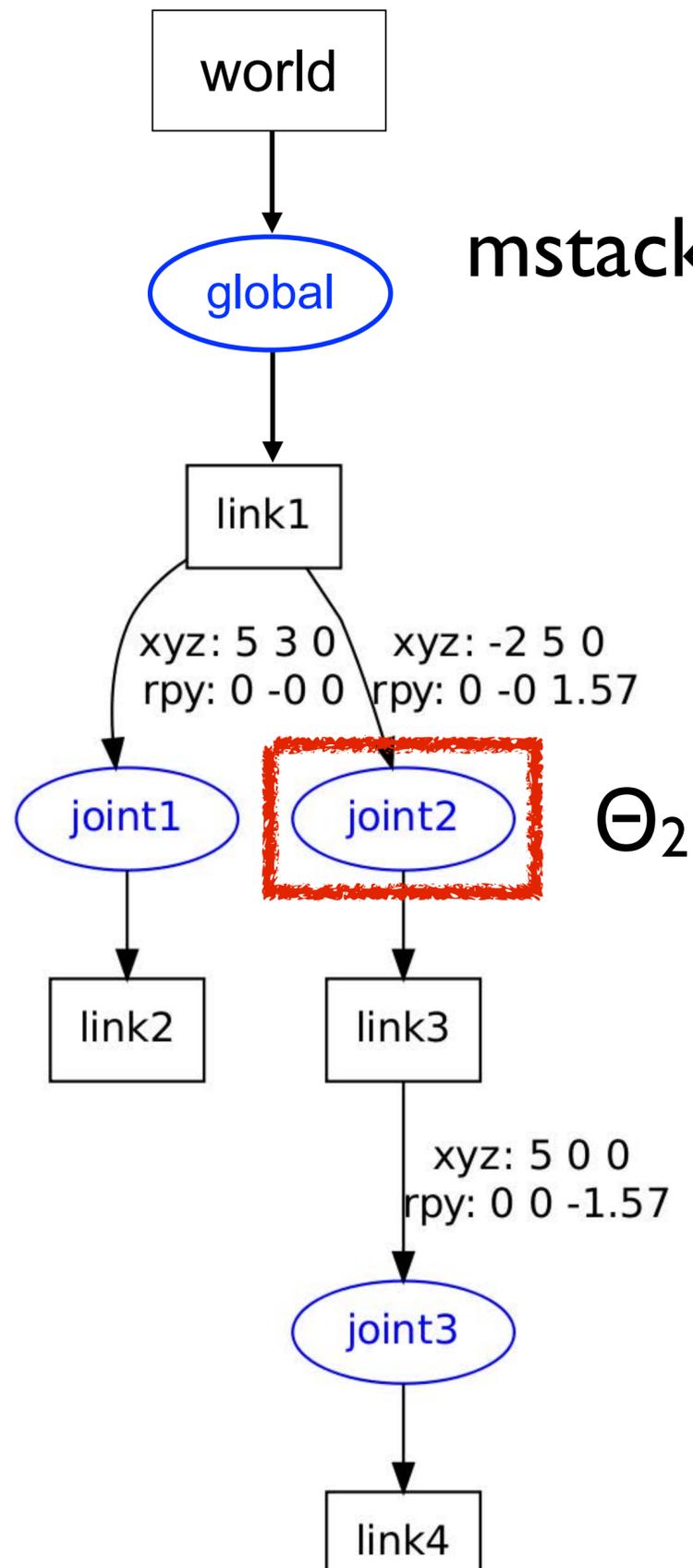
pop!

mstack=



Pop off top level of matrix stack.  
 Recursion: pop implicit via function return



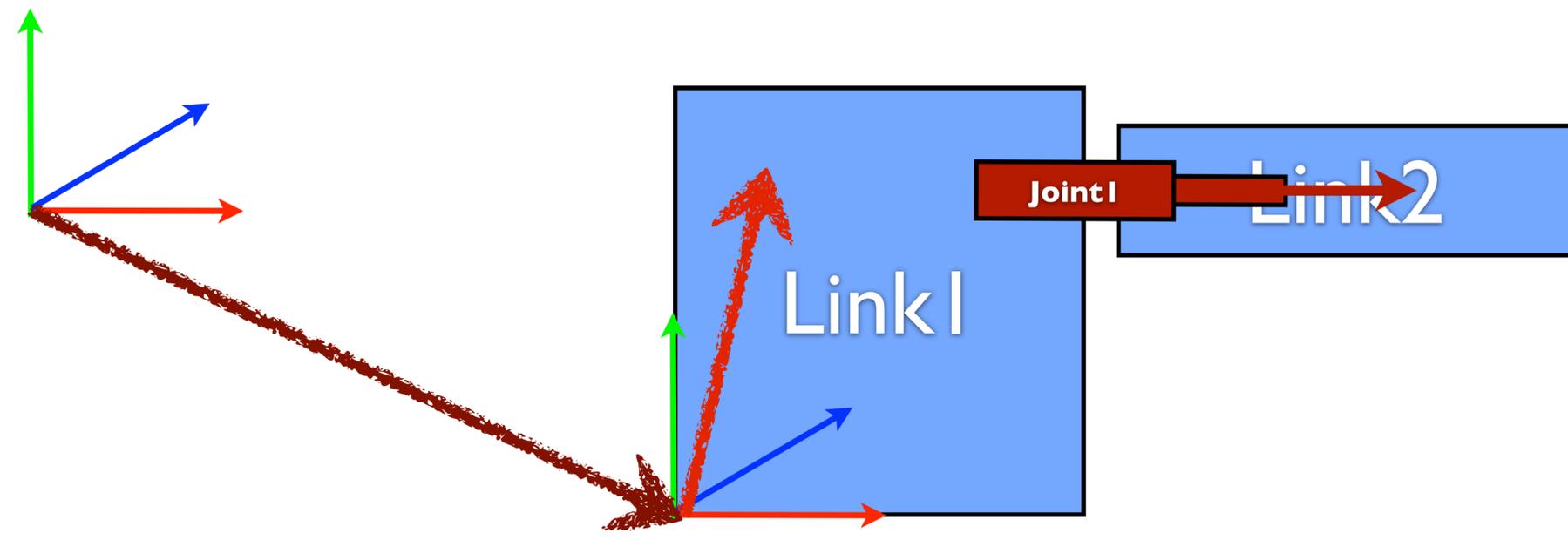


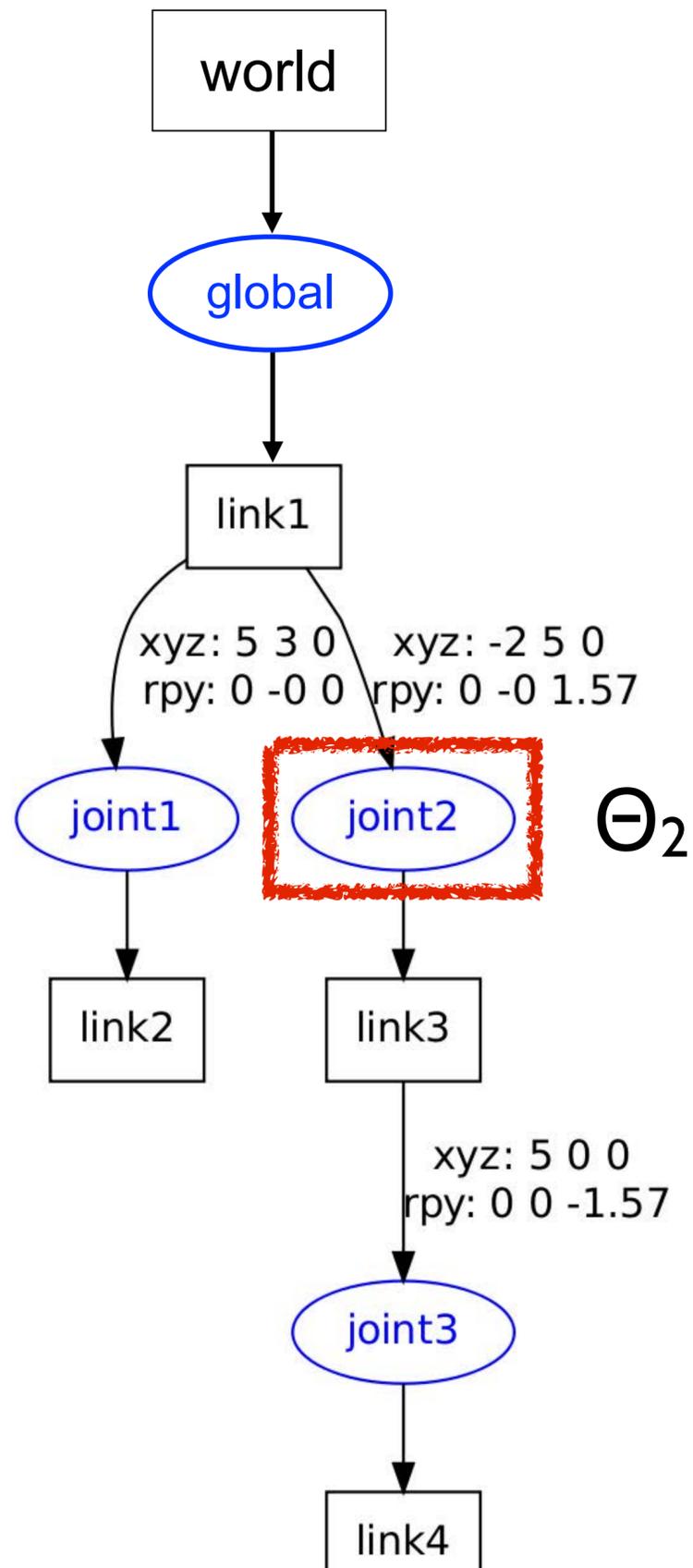
mstack=

$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_3} * R^{l_3}$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

Traverse second child joint (joint2) of link1.

$\Theta_2$

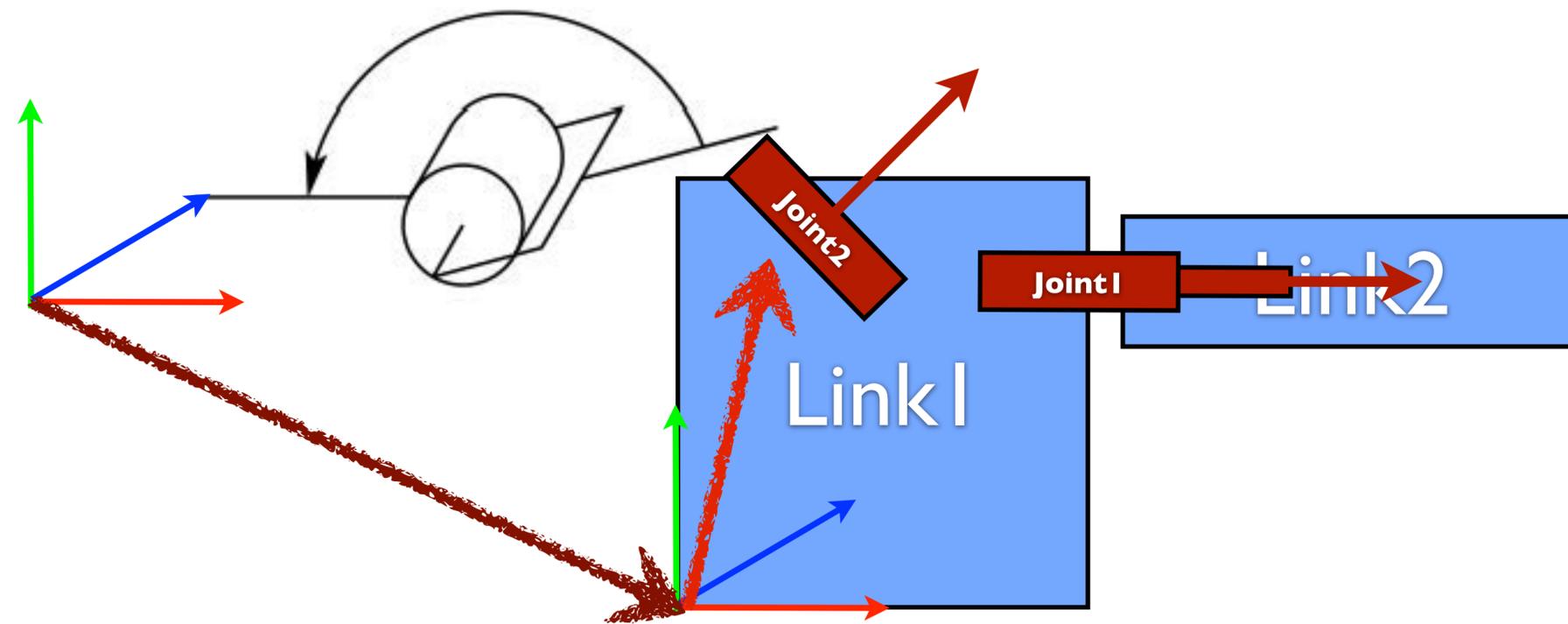


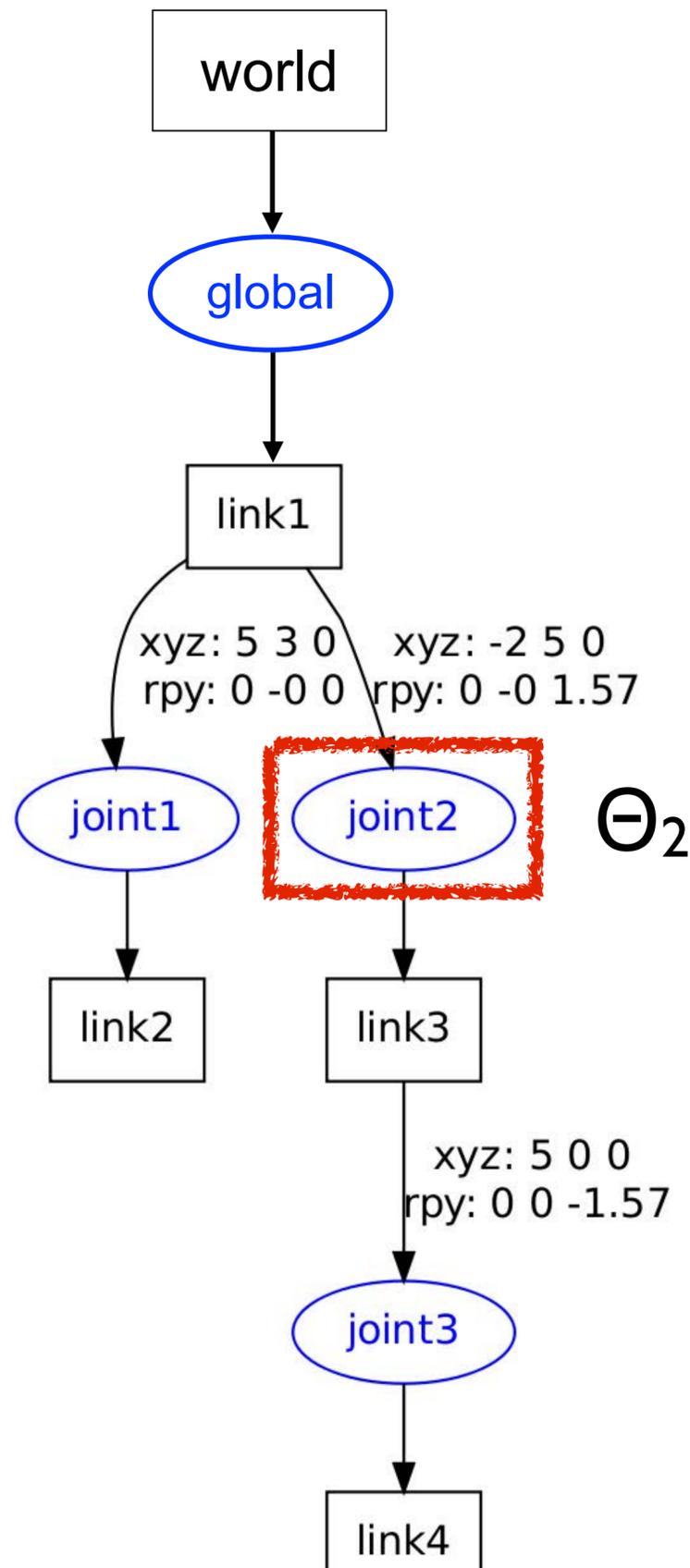


joint2 is revolute

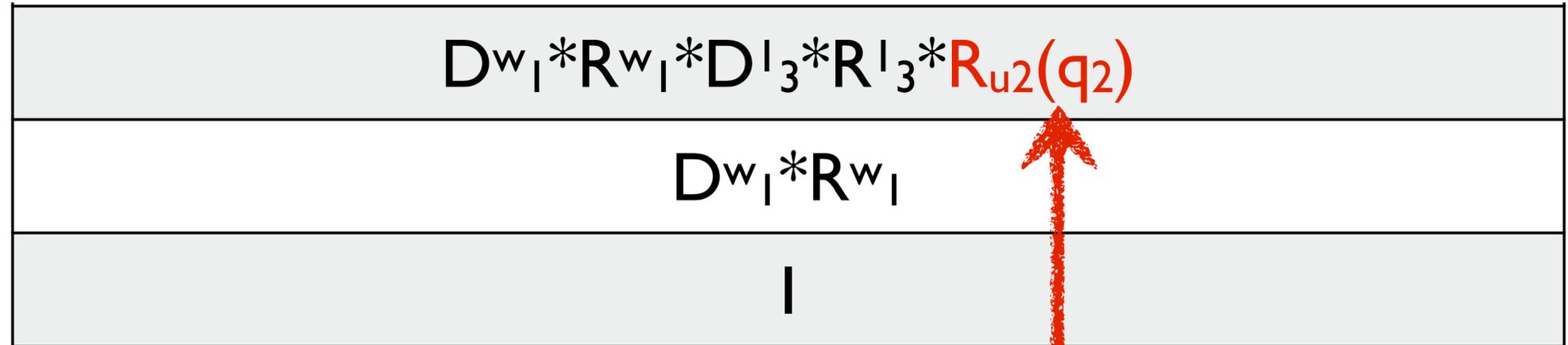
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_3} * R^{l_3} \text{ ???}$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

How can we account for joint2's motion?





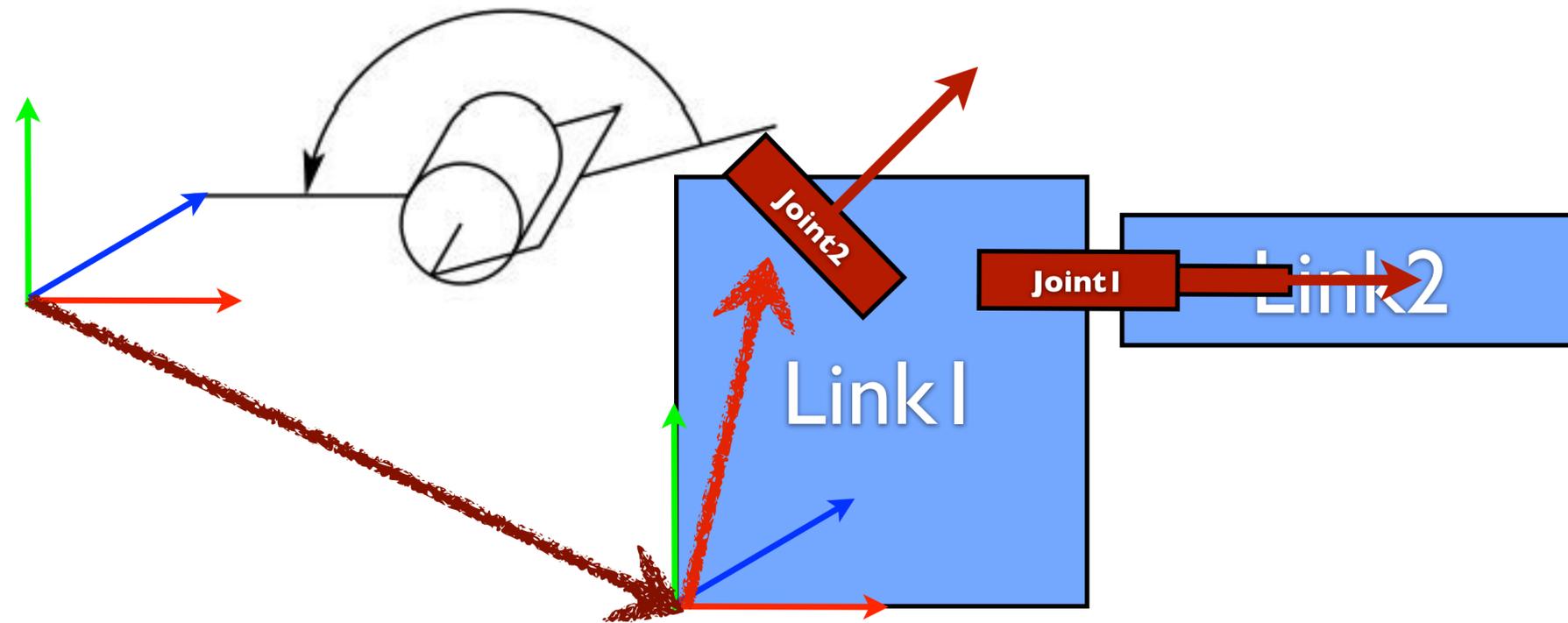
joint2 is revolute

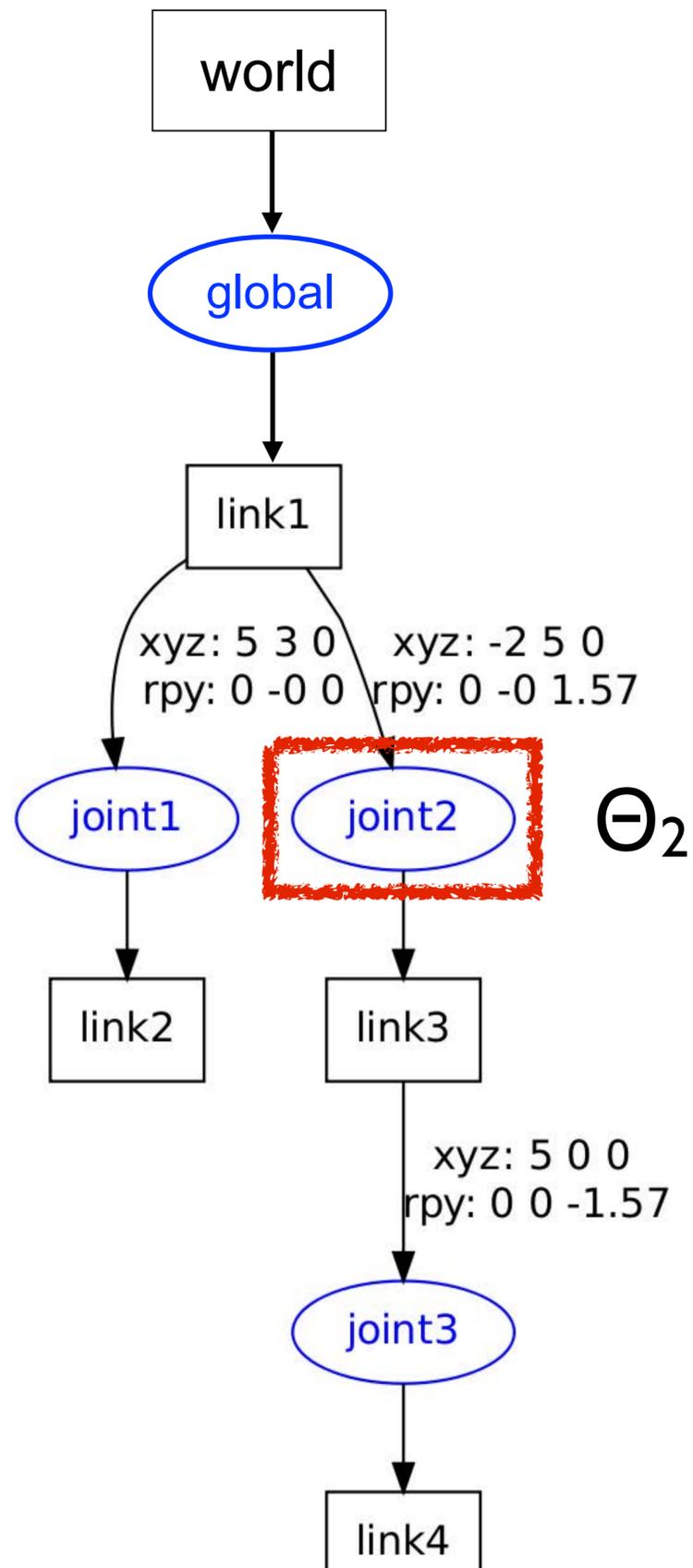


rotation about unit joint axis  $u_2$  by joint state  $q_2$

// joint motor rotation axis

`robot.joints["joint2"].axis = [0.707, 0.0, 0.707]`

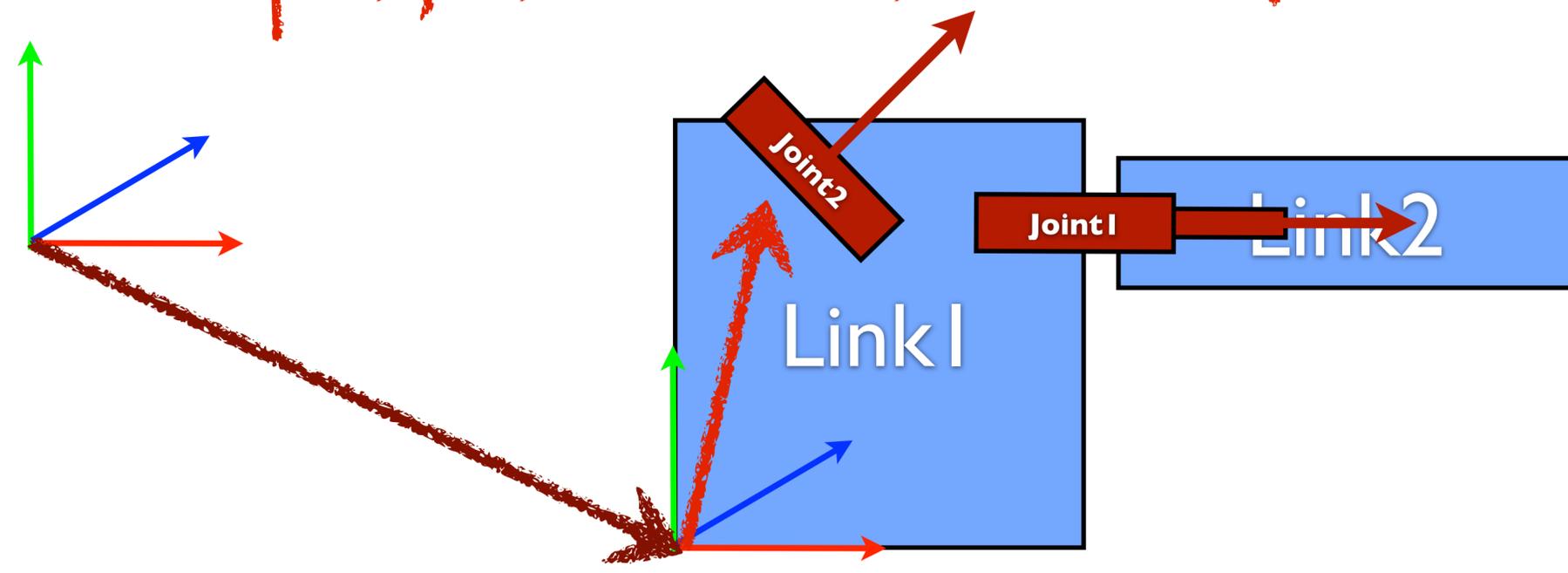




$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1} * D^{l_3} * R^{l_3} * R_{u2}(q_2)$
$D^{w_1} * R^{w_1}$
I

```
//joint motor rotation axis
robot.joints["joint2"].axis = [0.707, 0.0, 0.707]
```

how to perform this rotation?



# Euler Angles

- Rotate about each axis in chosen order:  $R = R_x(\Theta_x) R_y(\Theta_y) R_z(\Theta_z)$

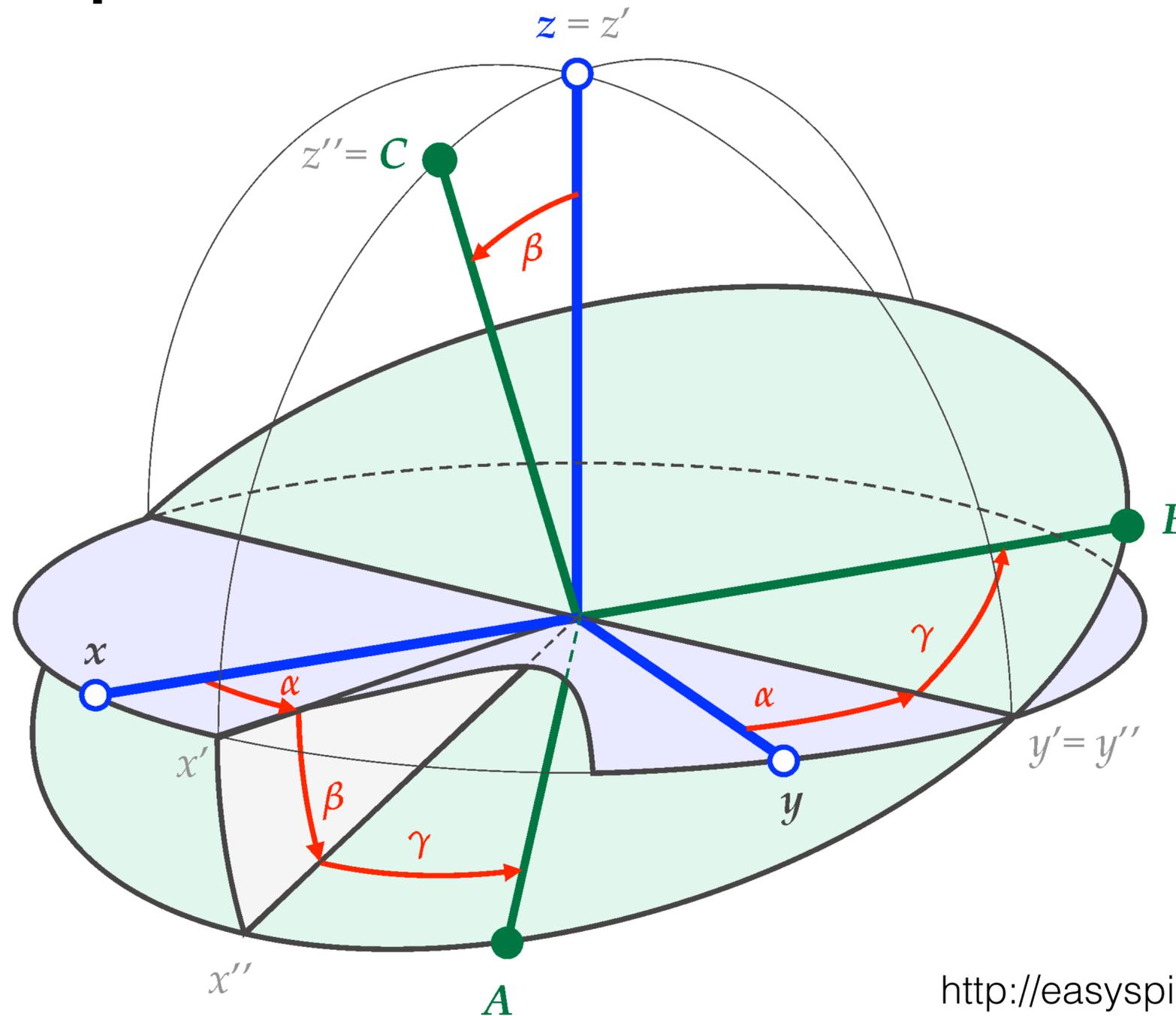
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- 24 different choices for rotation ordering
- $R_x(\Theta_x)$ : roll,  $R_y(\Theta_y)$ : pitch,  $R_z(\Theta_z)$ : yaw
- Matrix rotation not commutative across different axes

This course uses **XYZ**  
order:  $R_z R_y R_x$  (right to left)



# Example: ZYZ Euler angles



<http://easypin.org/documentation/eulerangles.html>

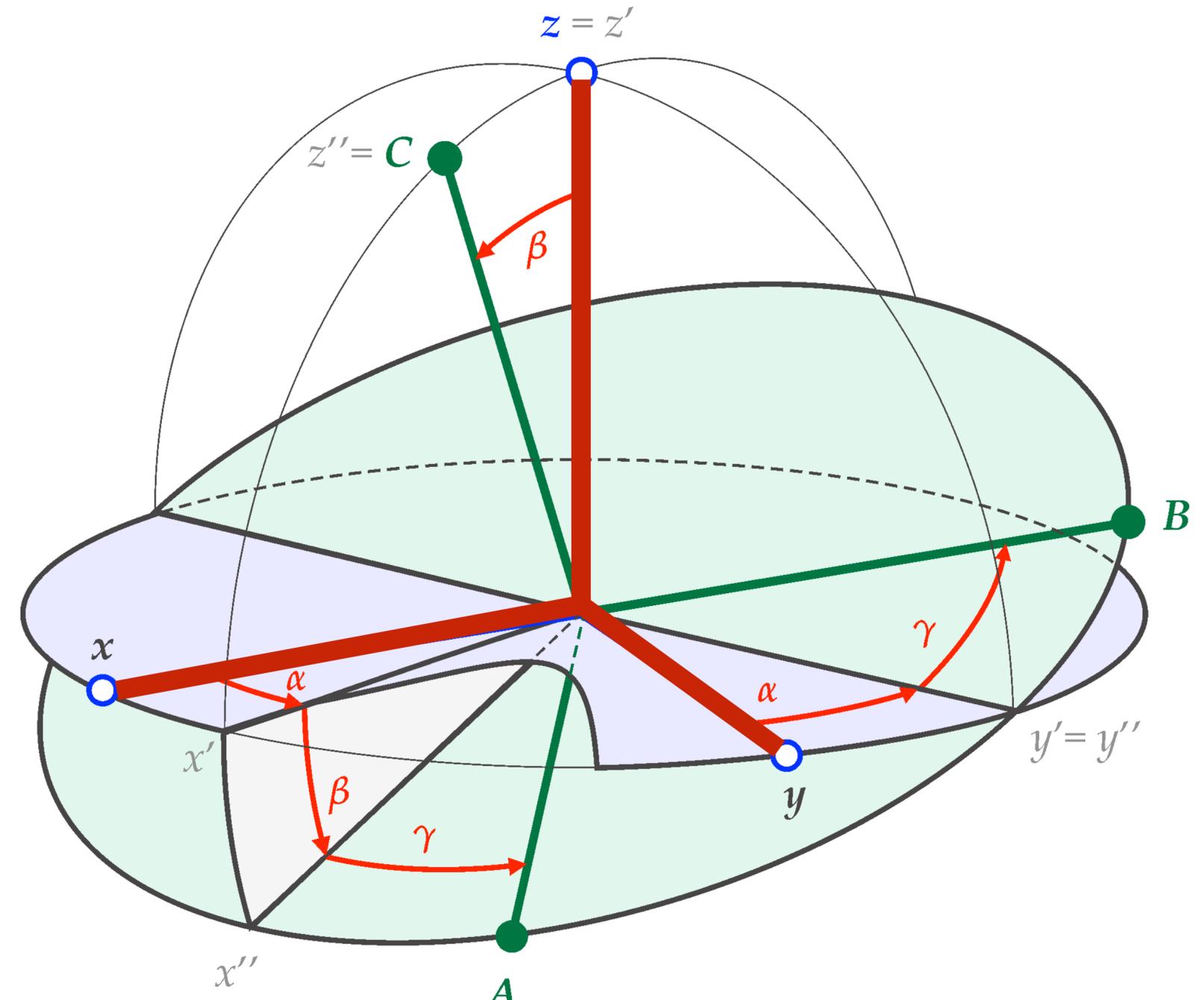


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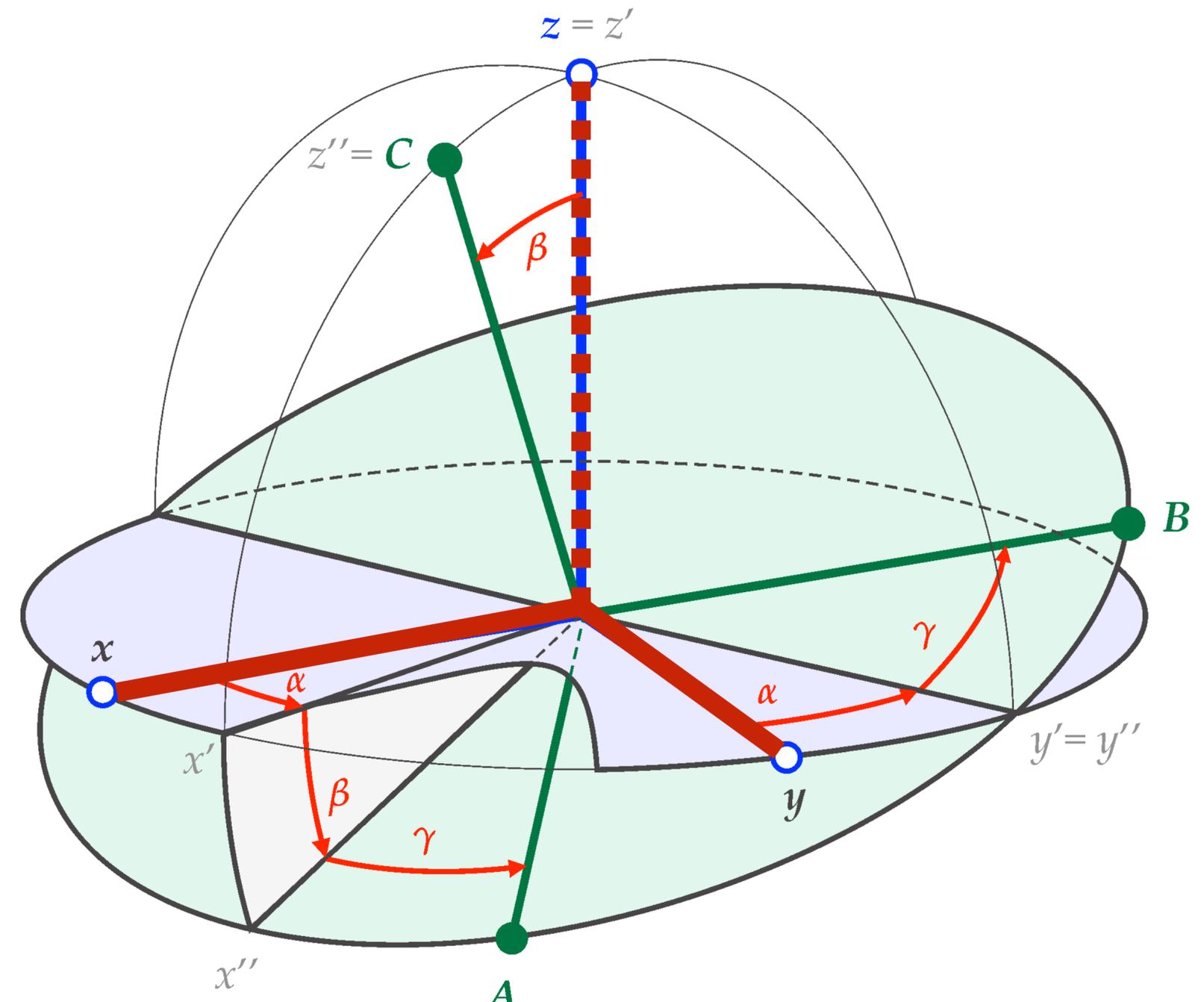


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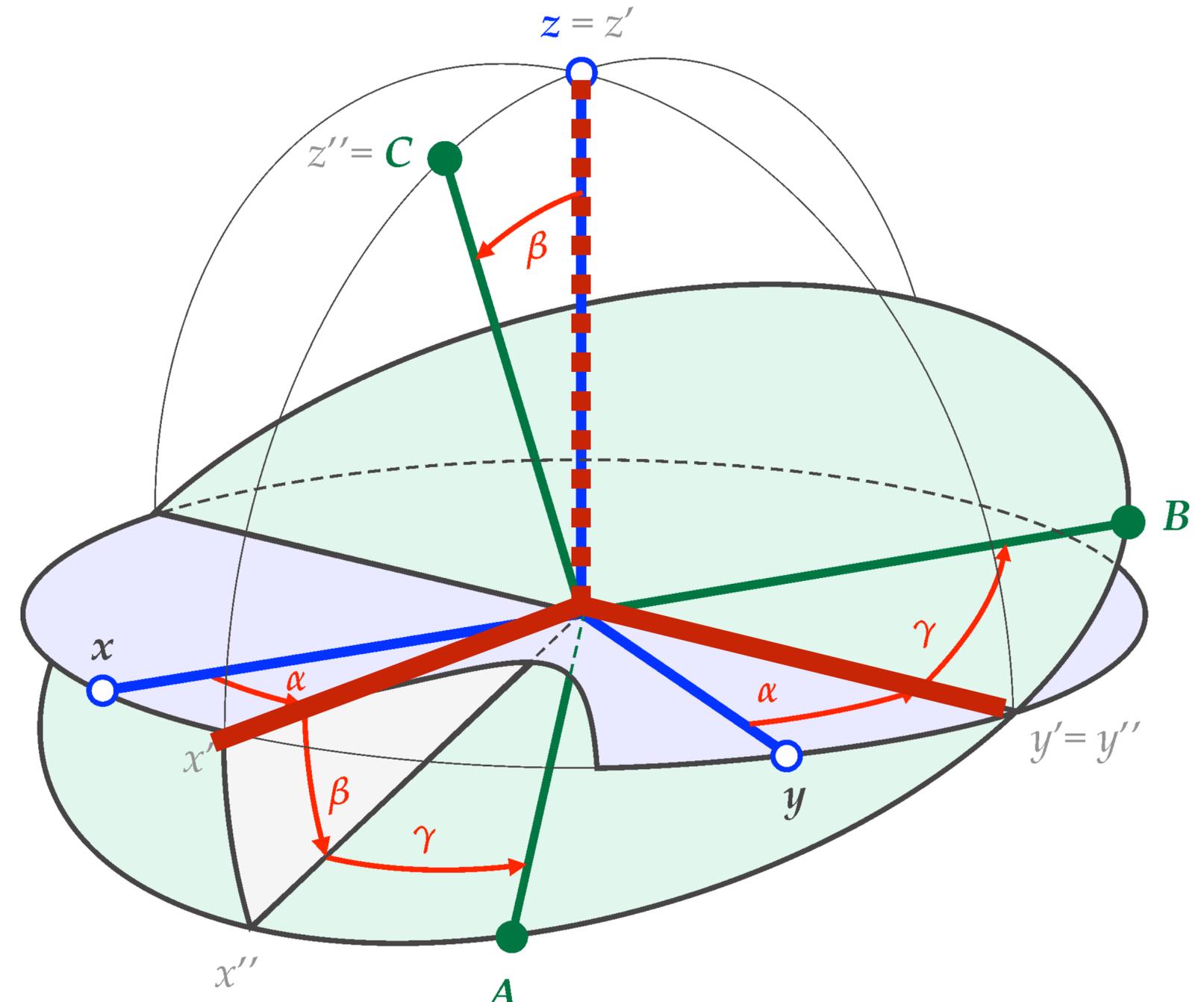


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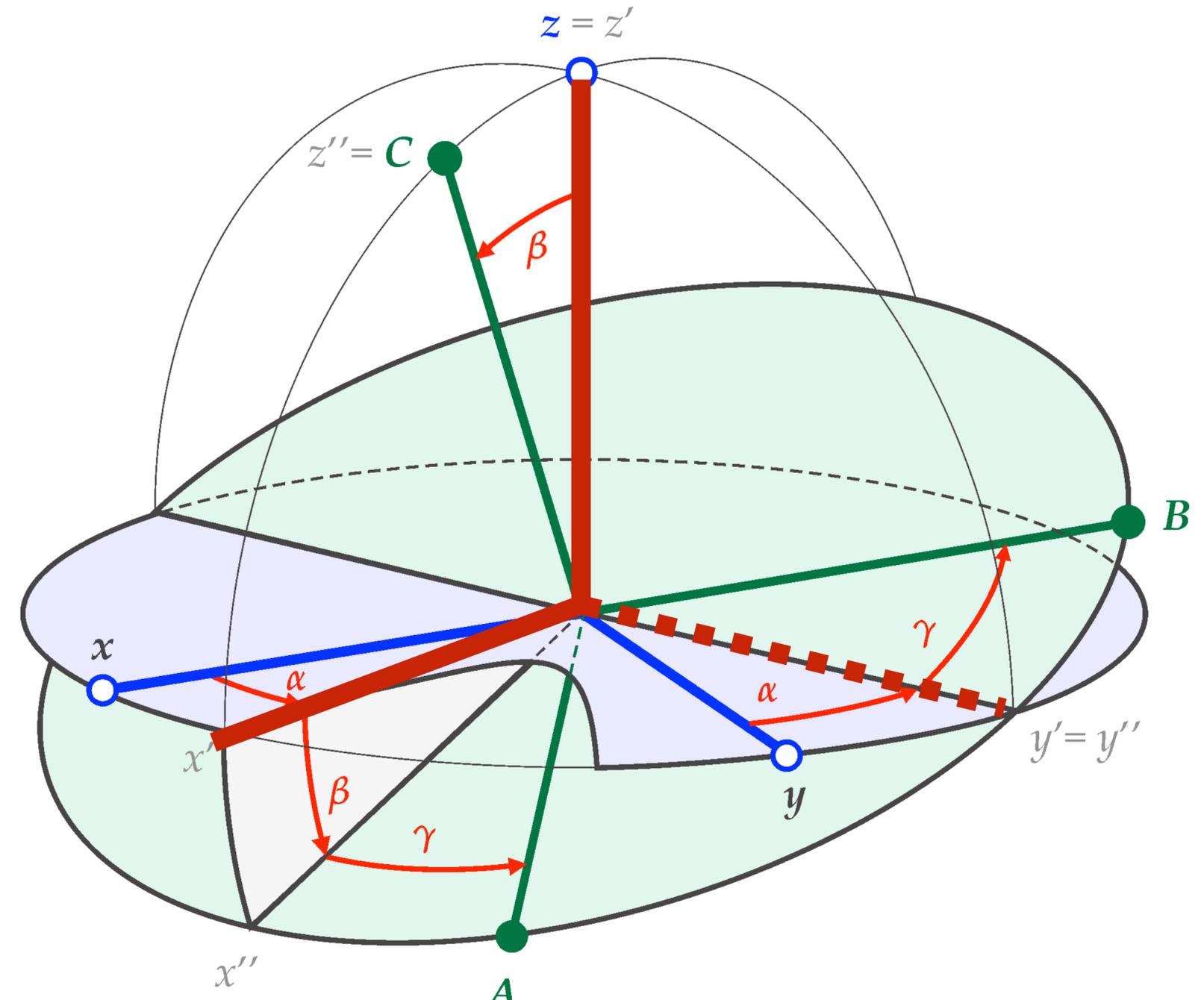


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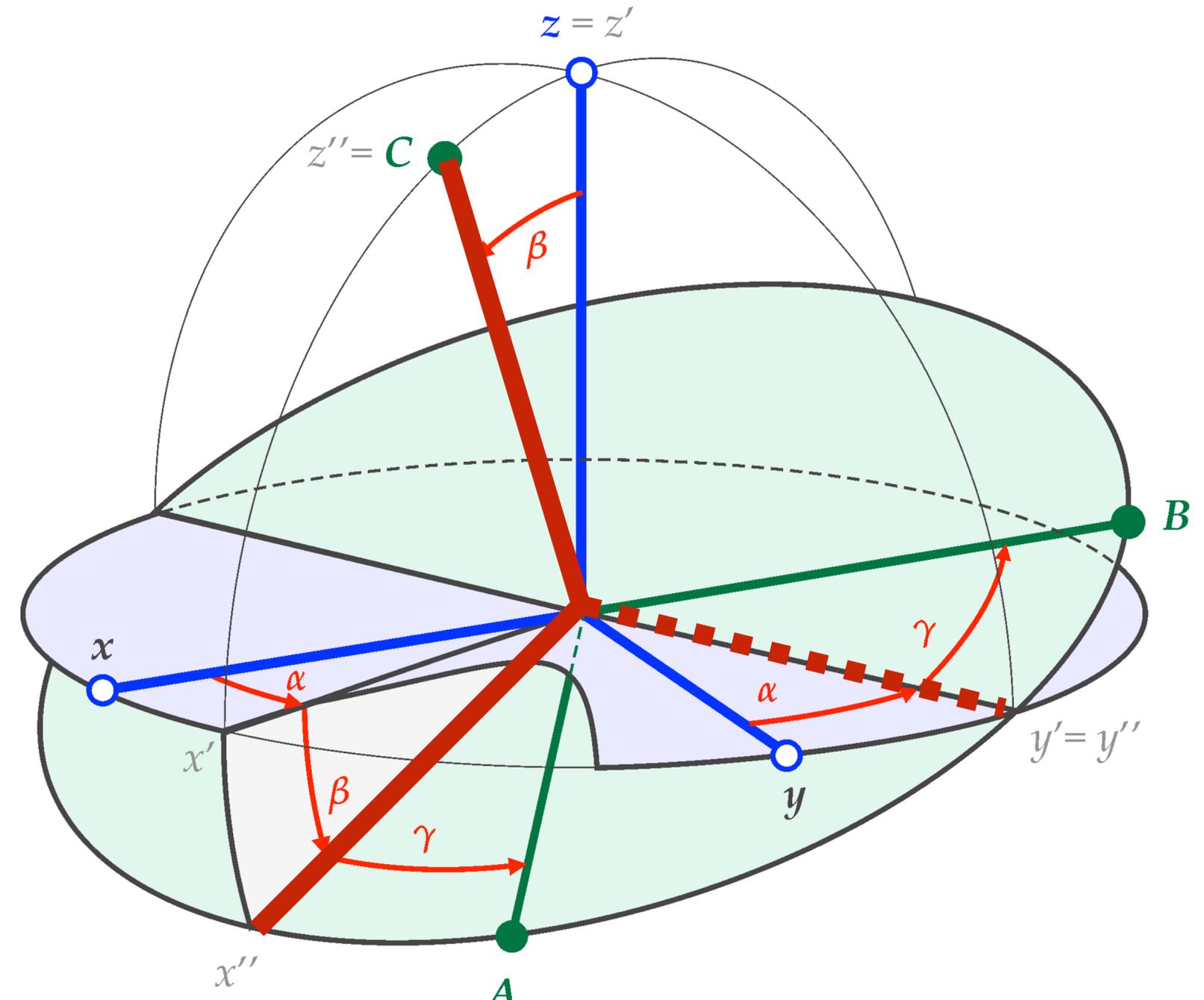


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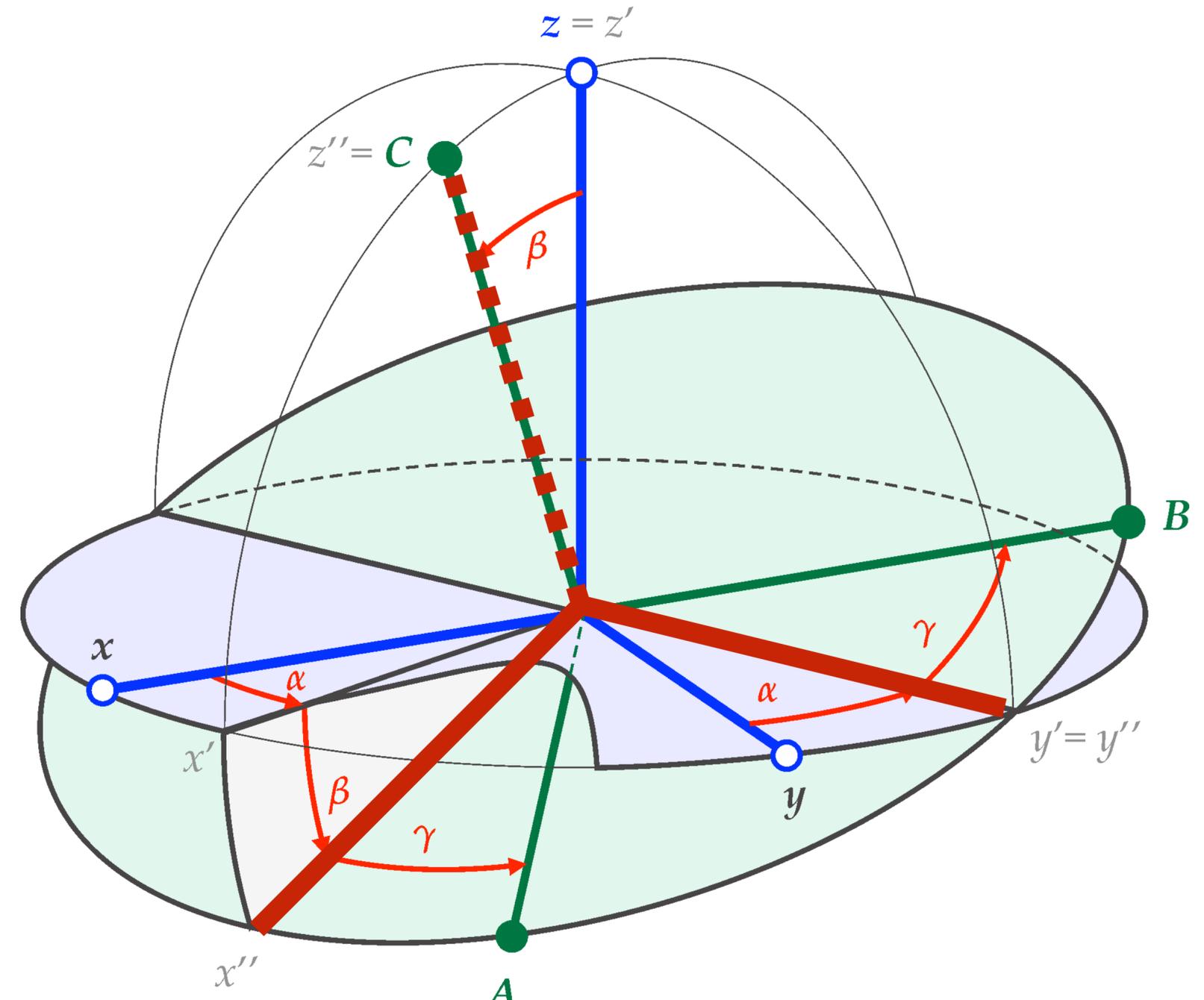


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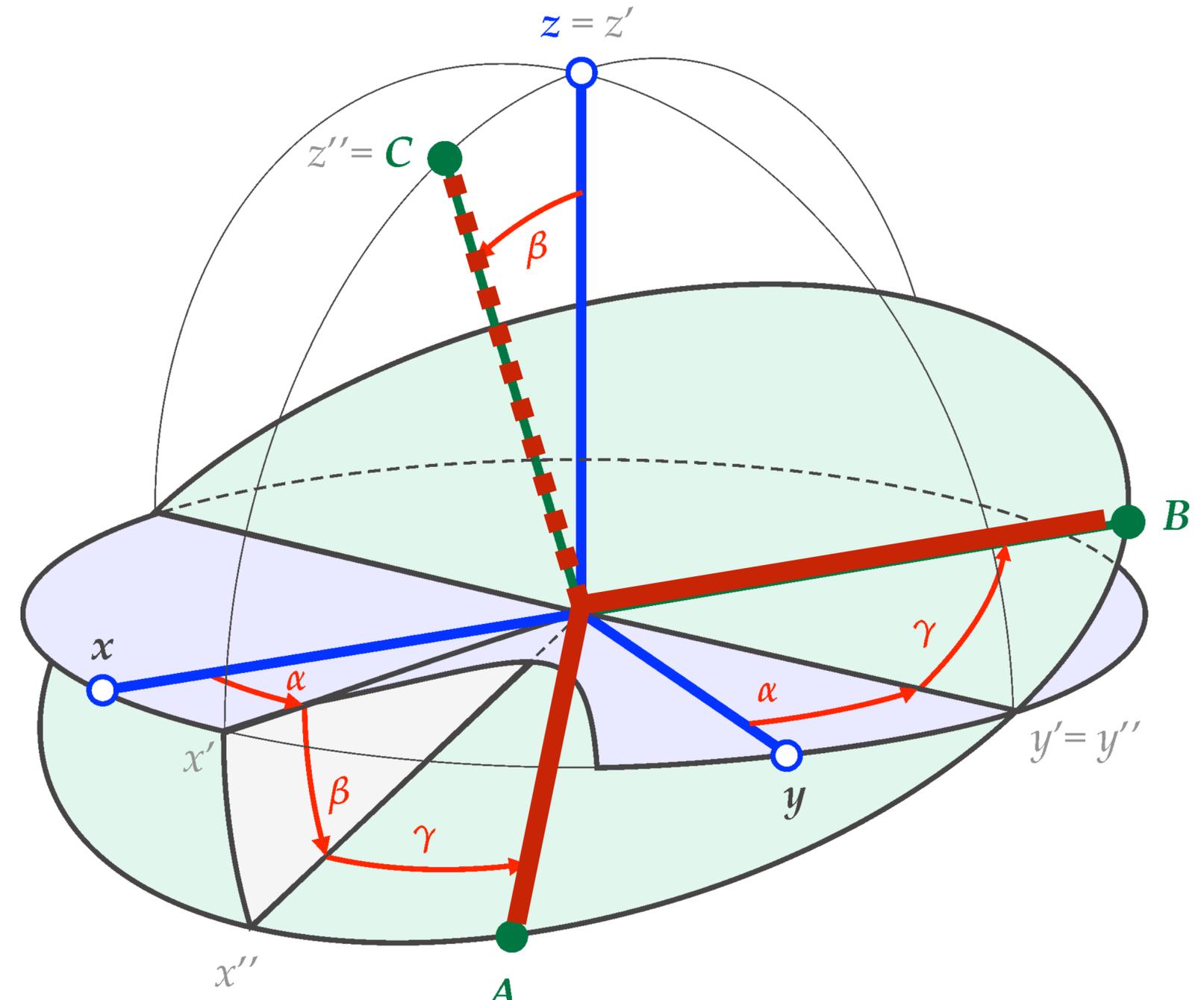


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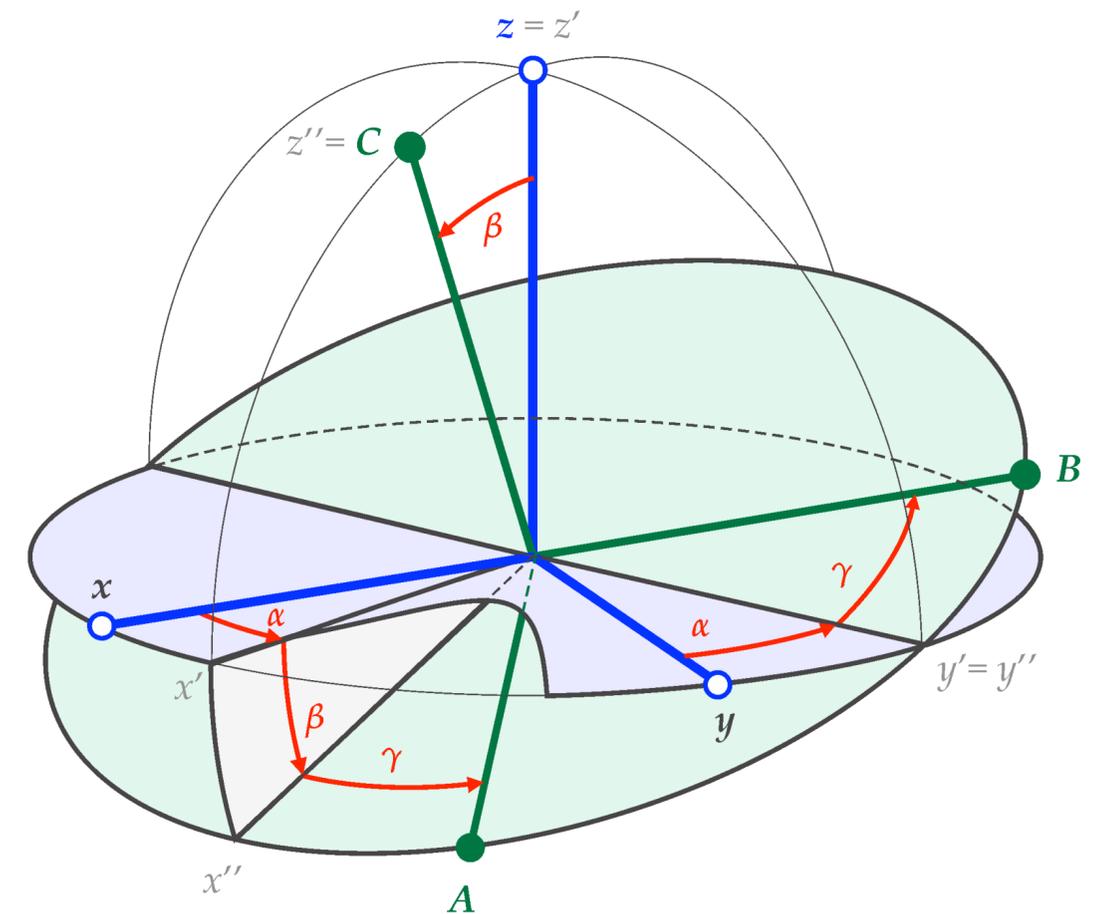
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$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= R_{z''}(\gamma) \cdot R_{y'}(\beta) \cdot R_z(\alpha) \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} c\gamma & s\gamma & 0 \\ -s\gamma & c\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c\beta & 0 & -s\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ s\beta & 0 & c\beta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c\alpha & s\alpha & 0 \\ -s\alpha & c\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} c\gamma c\beta c\alpha - s\gamma s\alpha & c\gamma c\beta s\alpha + s\gamma c\alpha & -c\gamma s\beta \\ -s\gamma c\beta c\alpha - c\gamma s\alpha & -s\gamma c\beta s\alpha + c\gamma c\alpha & s\gamma s\beta \\ s\beta c\alpha & s\beta s\alpha & c\beta \end{pmatrix}
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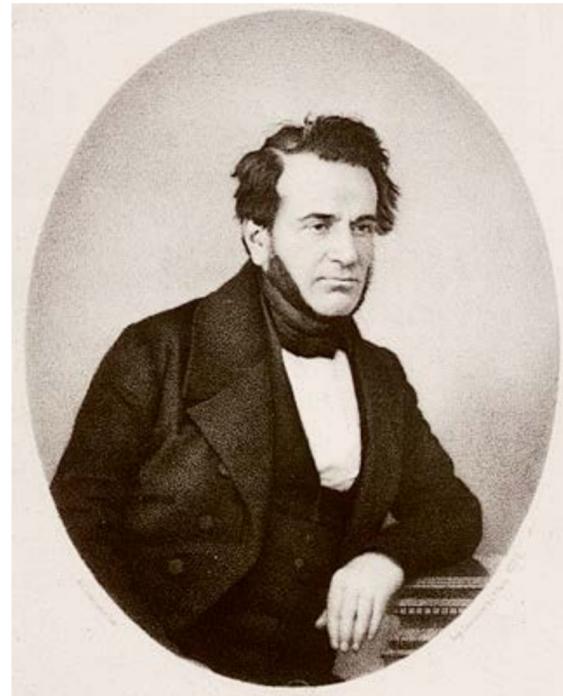
Each rotation changes the non-rotated axes

results in a new frame for the next rotation

Let's try rotating about an axis

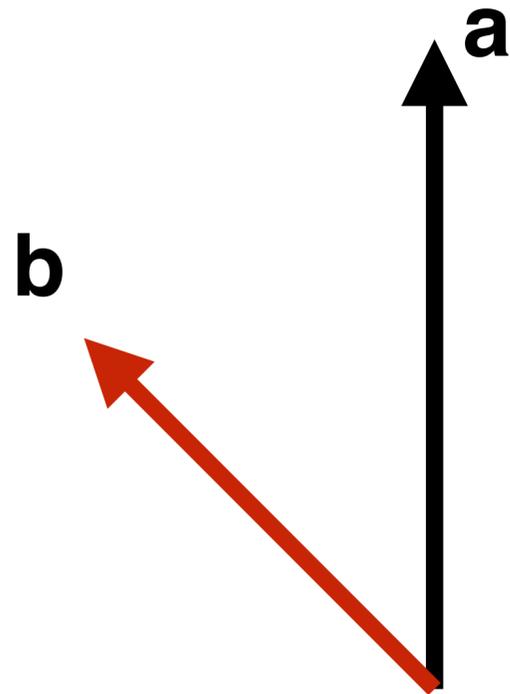


# Rodrigues Axis-Angle Rotation



Benjamin Olinde Rodrigues  
1795-1851

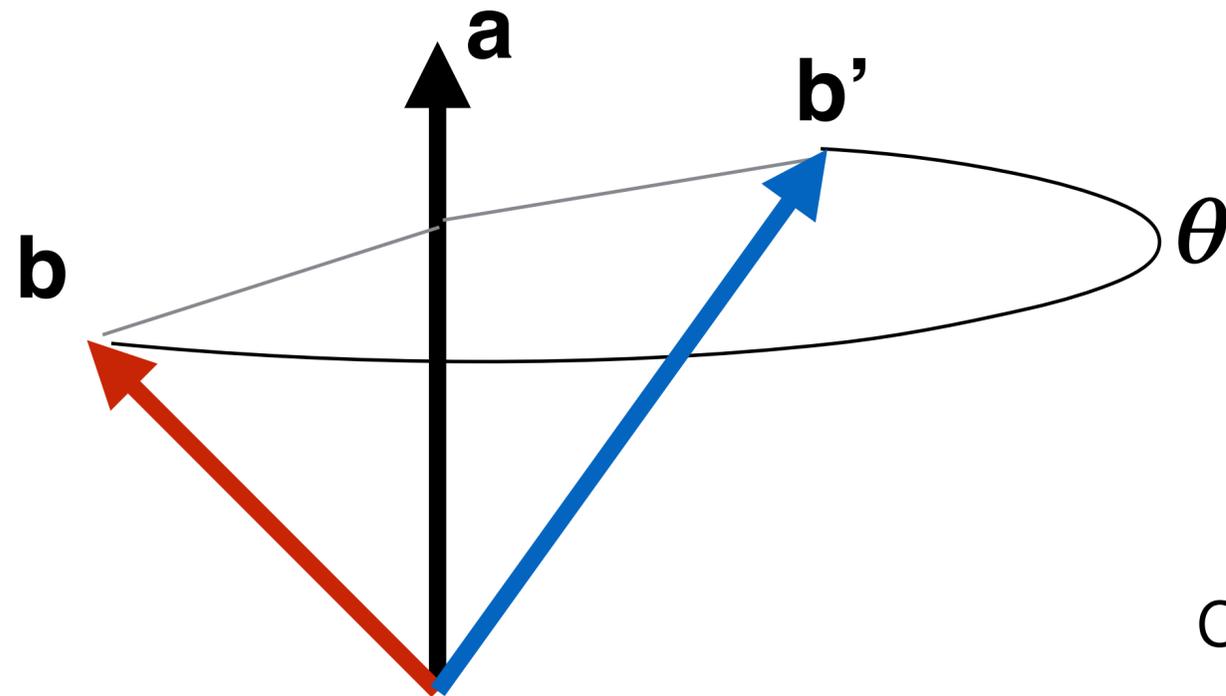
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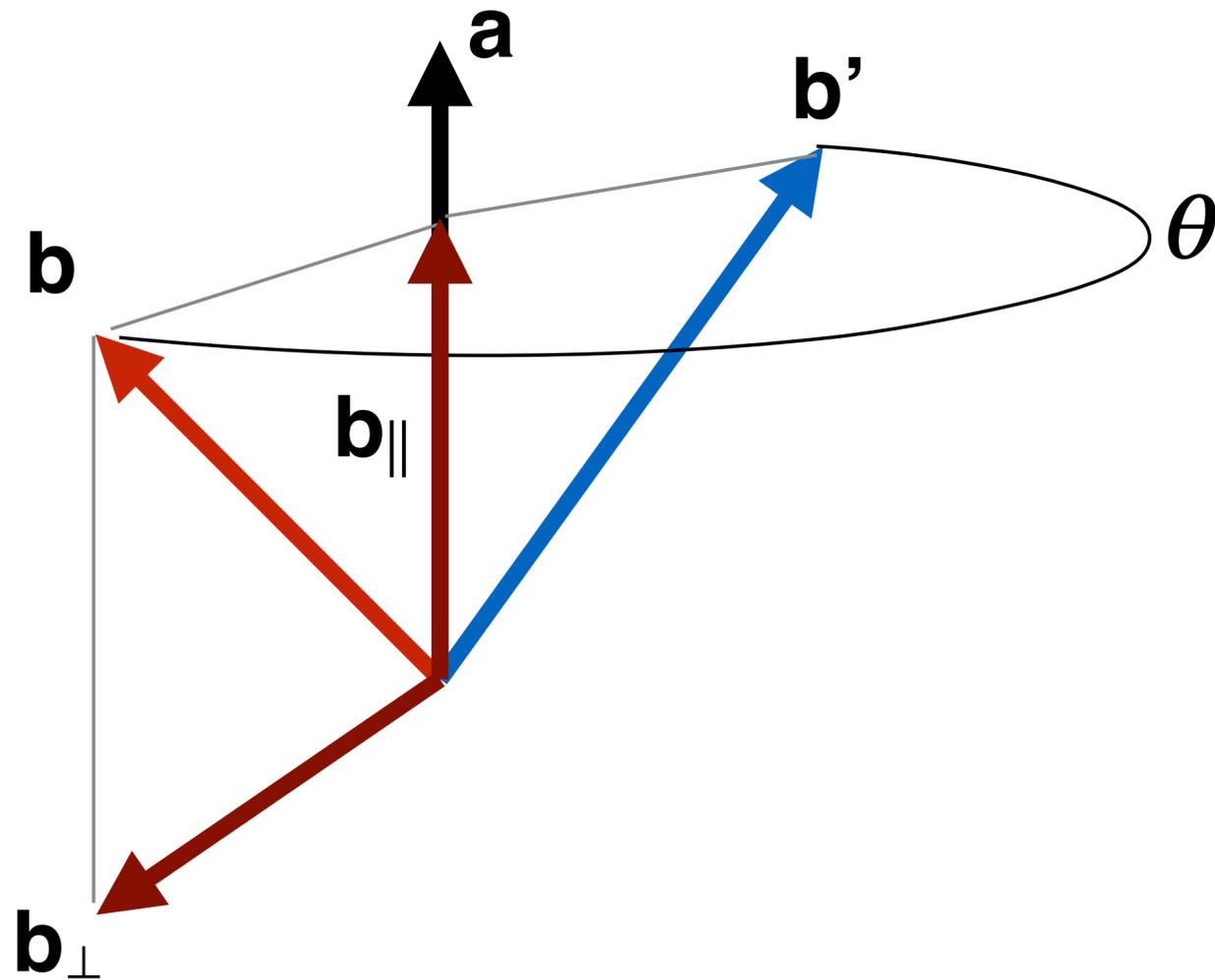
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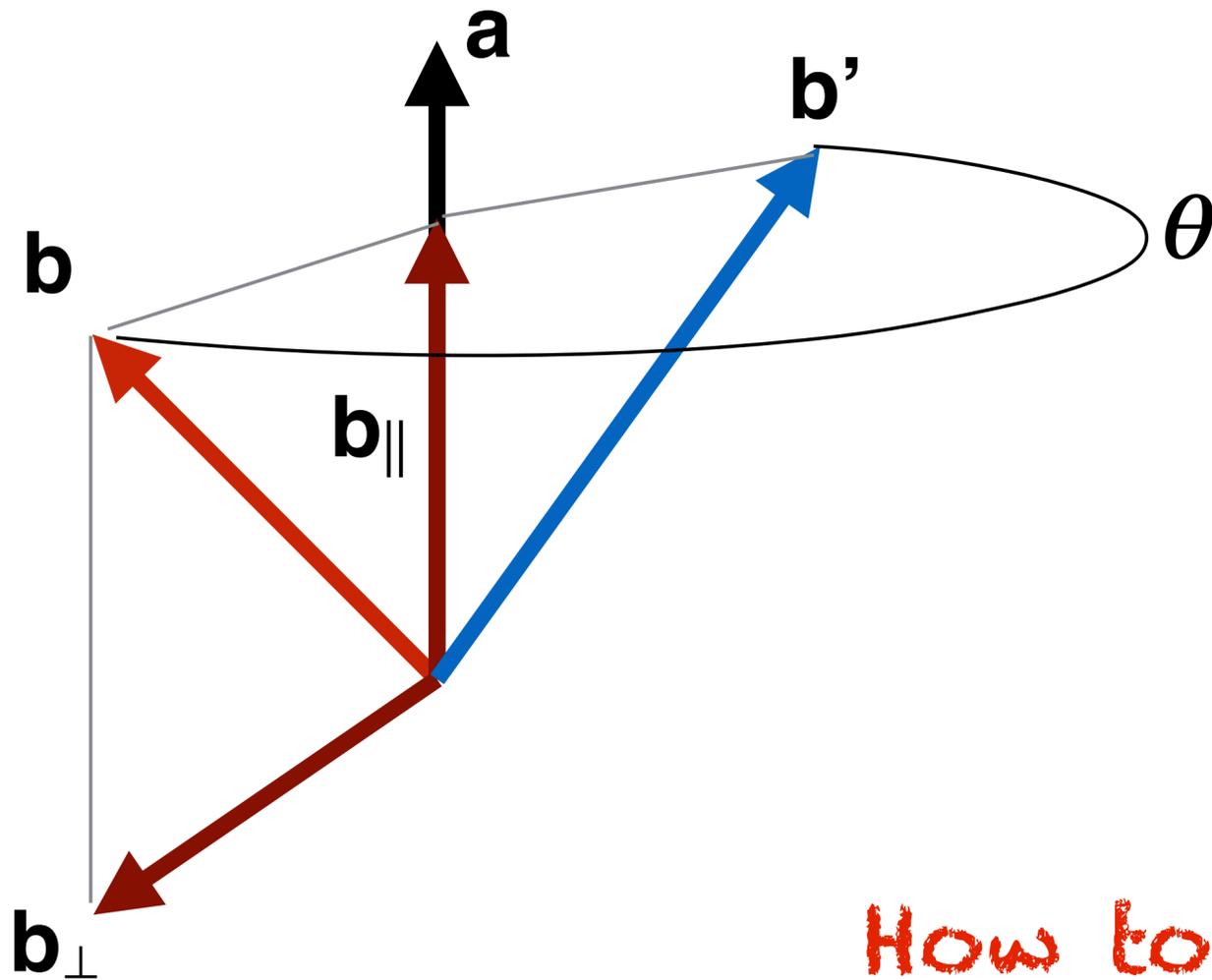
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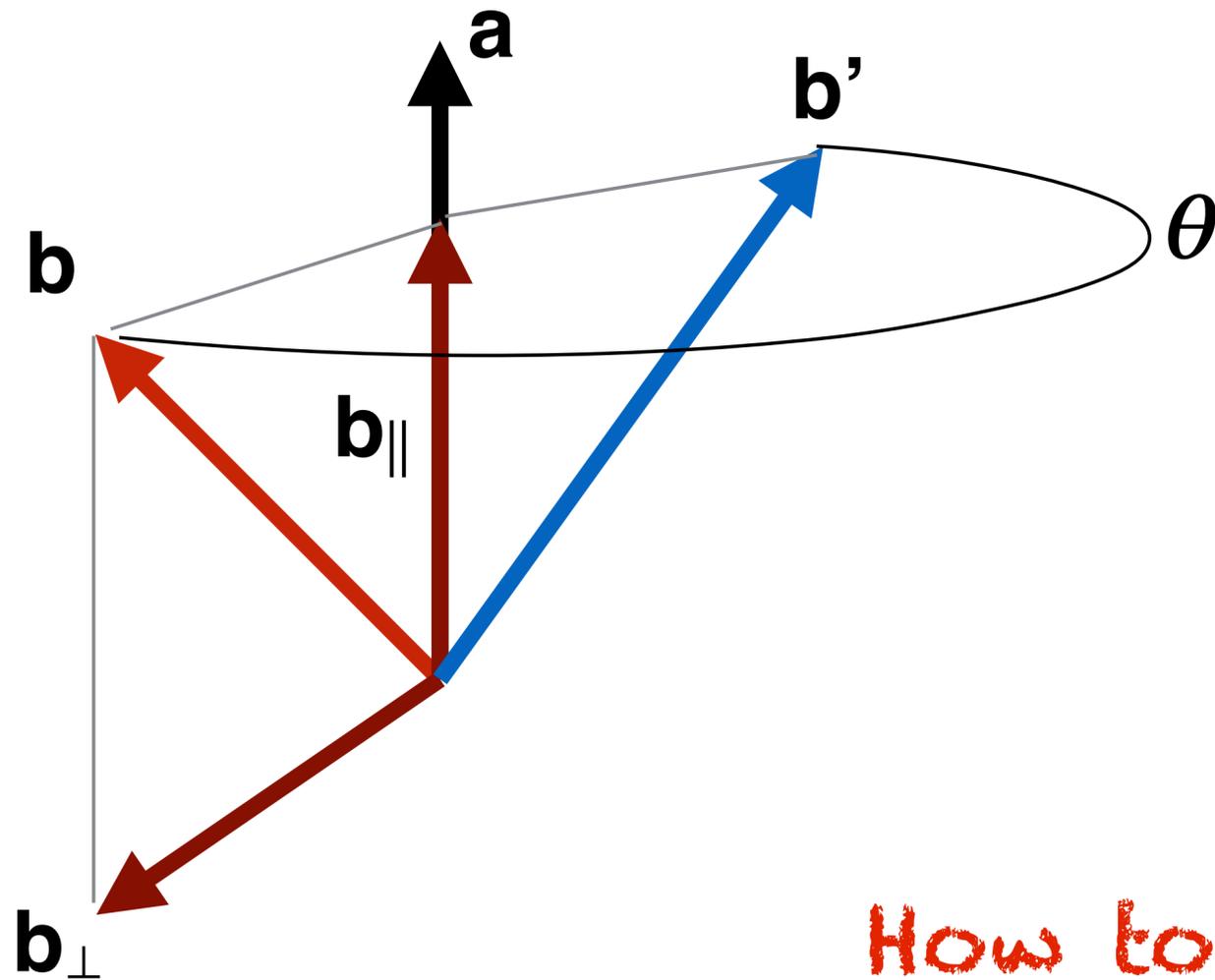
Operator to compute **b<sub>||</sub>**?

and **b<sub>⊥</sub>** orthogonal to **a**

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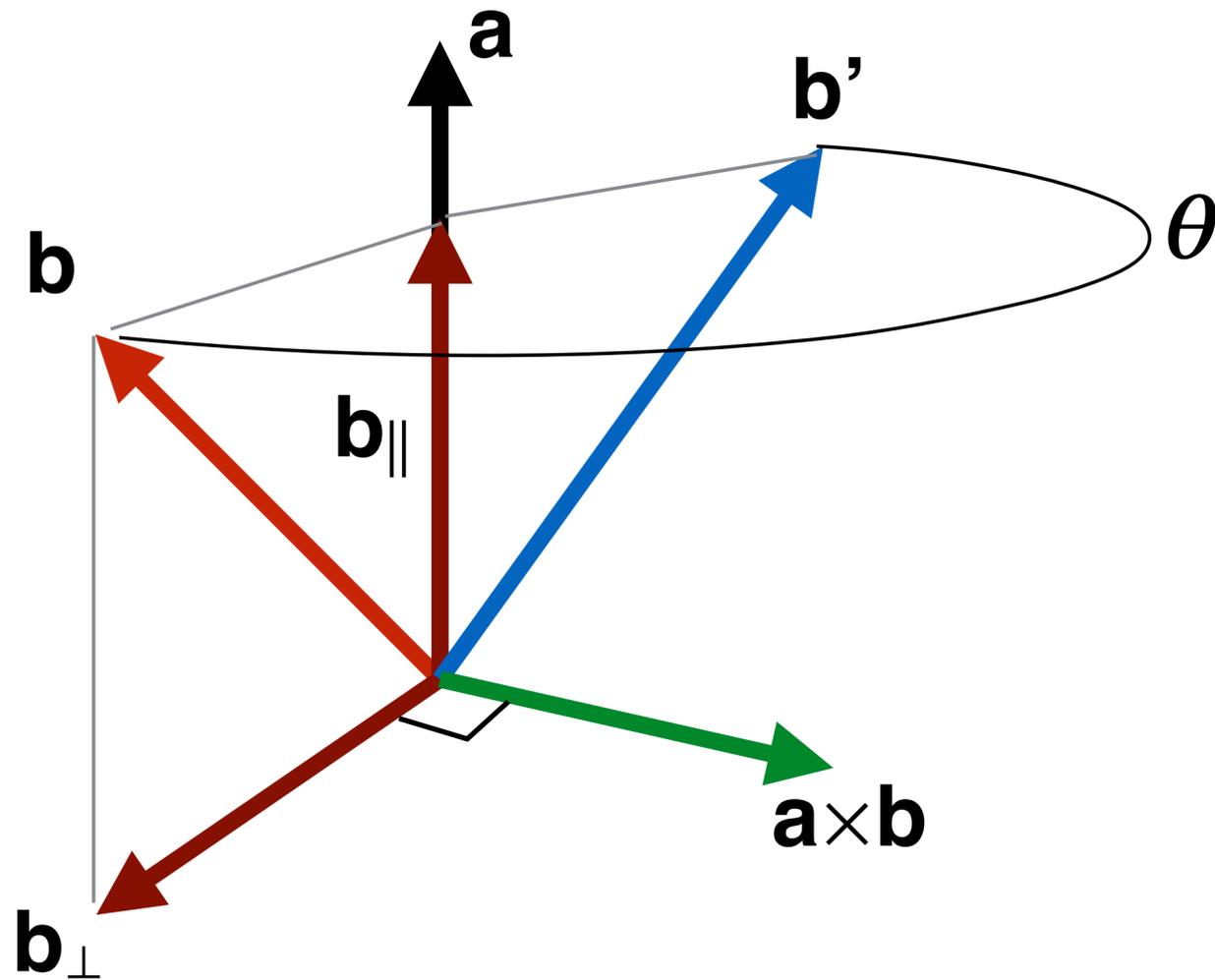
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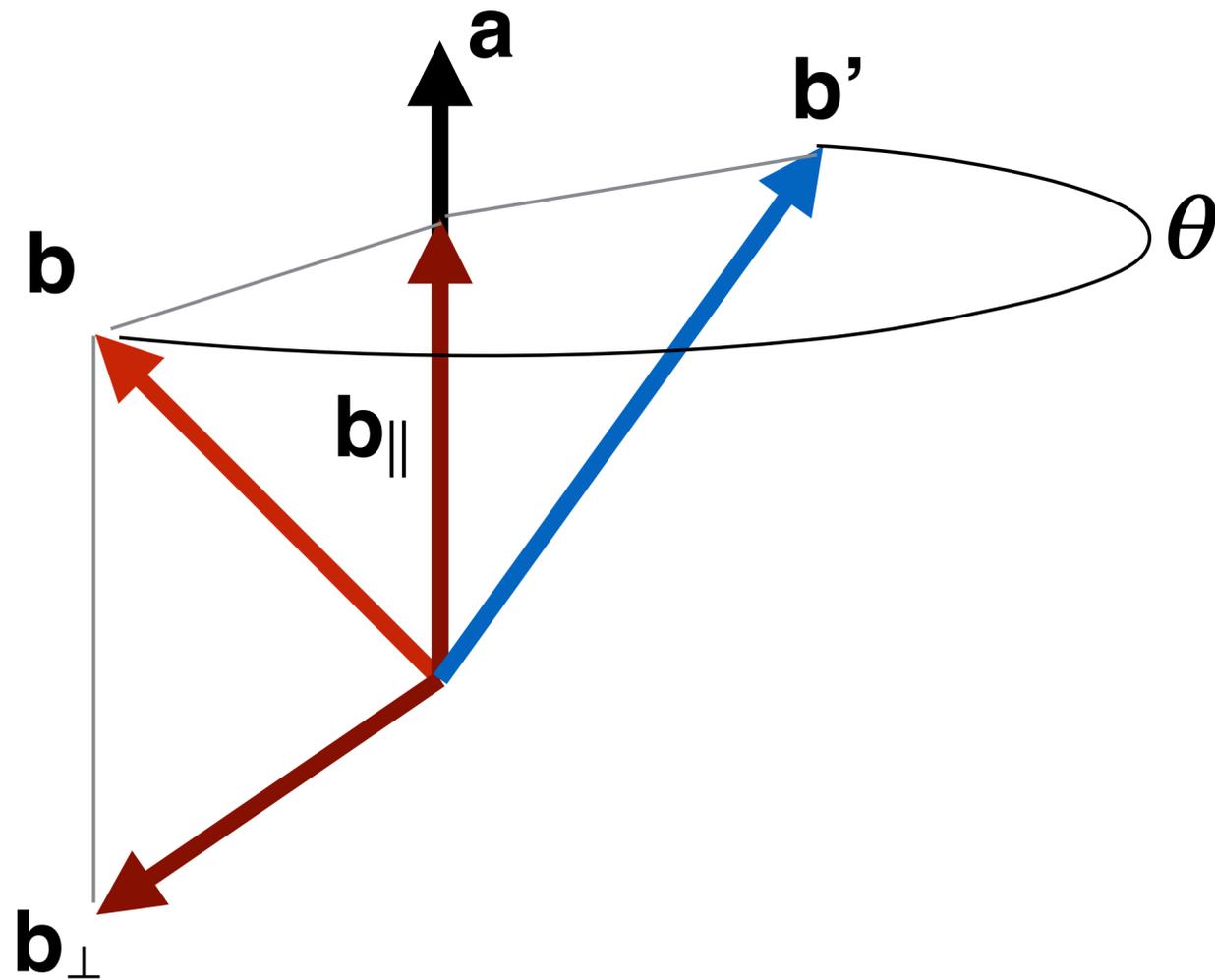
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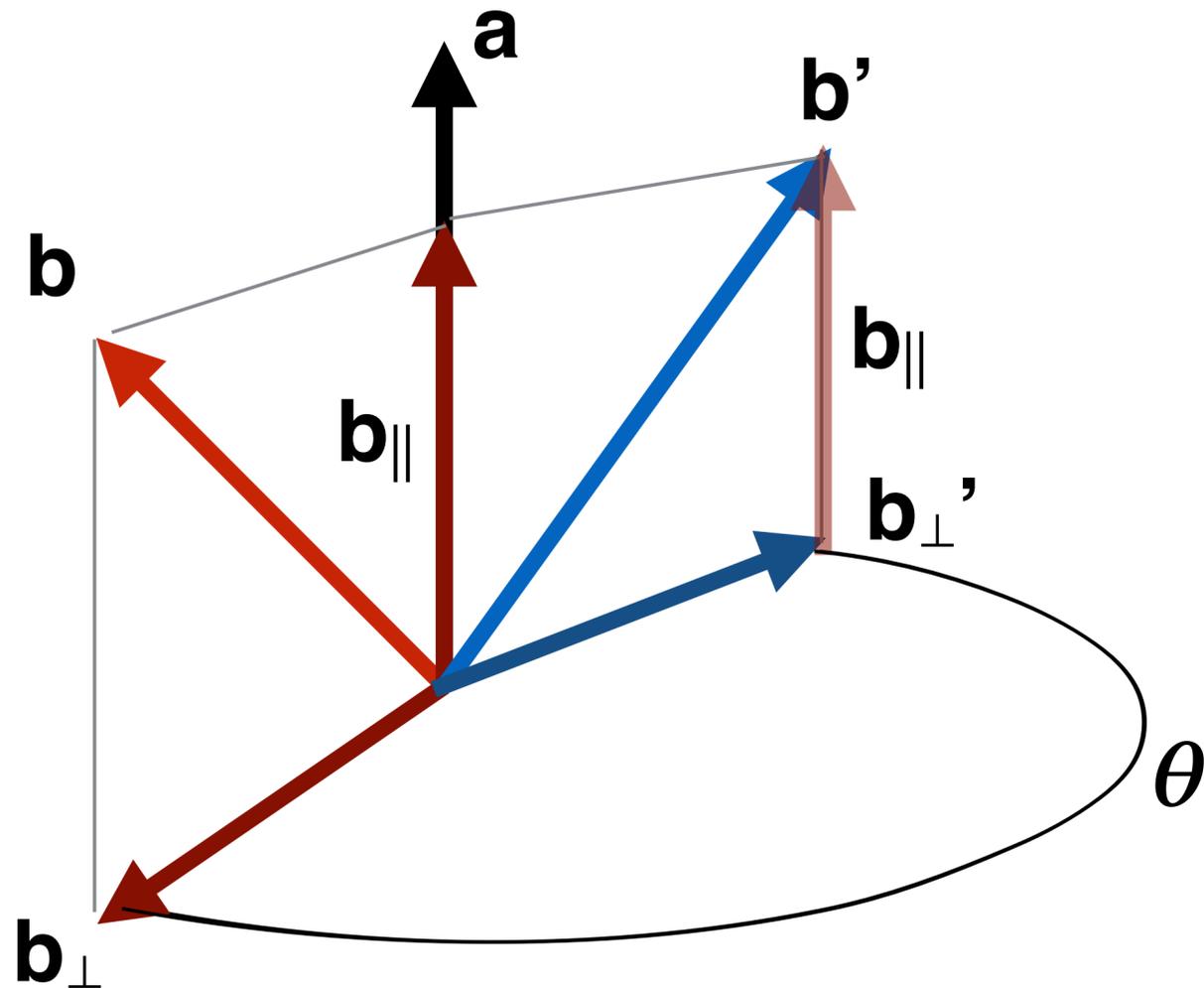
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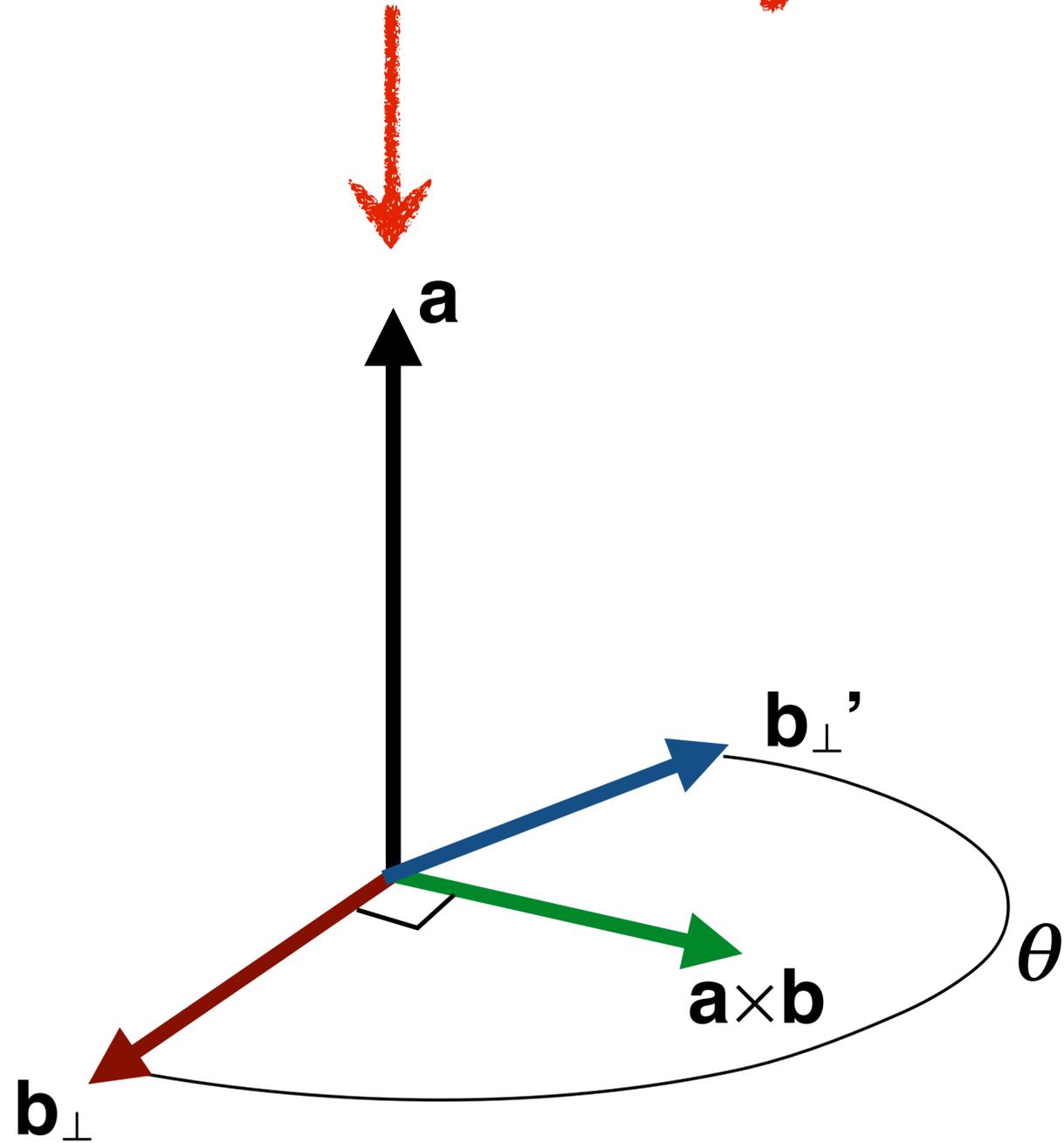
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If we can rotate  $\mathbf{b}_{\perp}$  around  $\mathbf{a}$  by  $\theta$  to produce  $\mathbf{b}_{\perp}'$

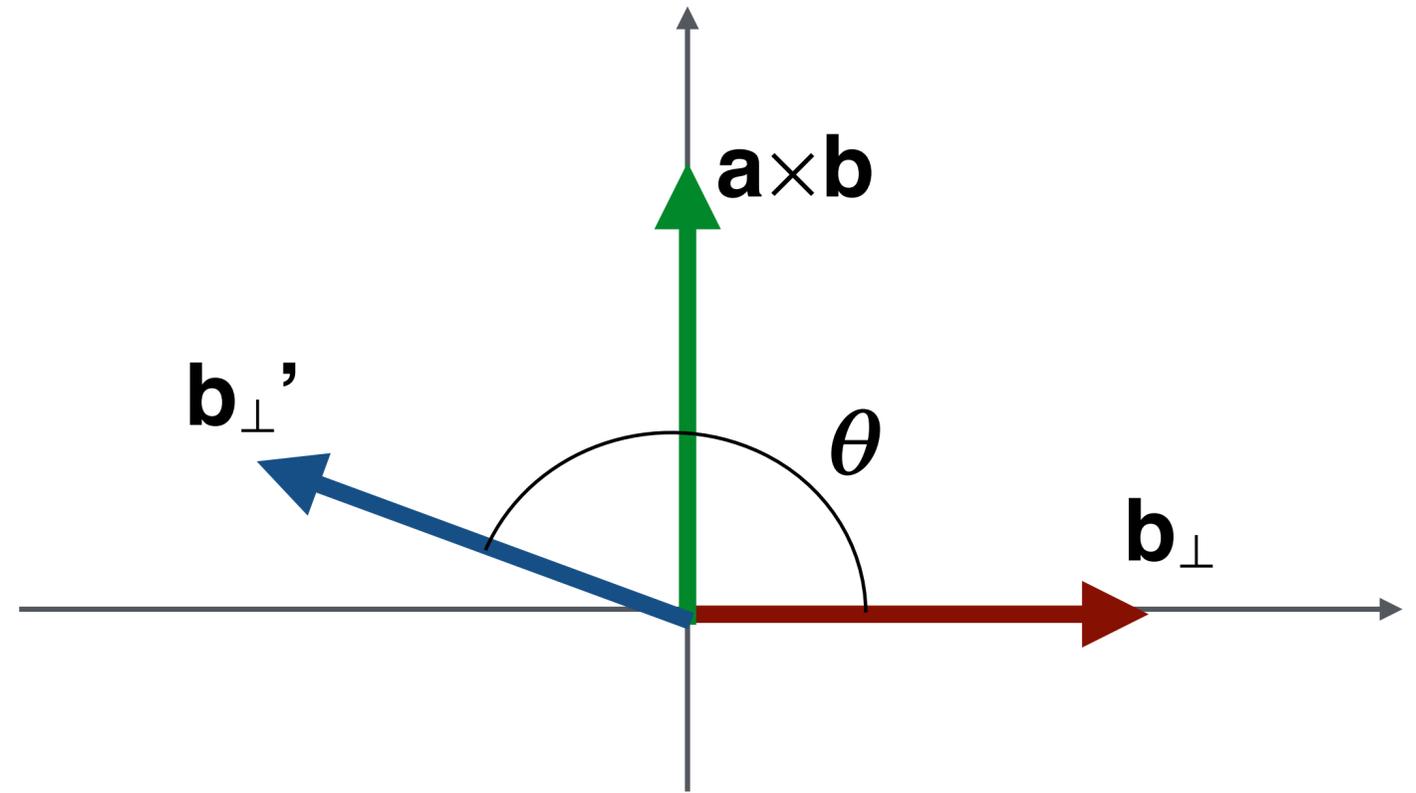
then rotation of  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $\mathbf{b}_{\parallel} + \mathbf{b}_{\perp}'$

What makes us think we can rotate  $\mathbf{b}_{\perp}$  around  $\mathbf{a}$ ?

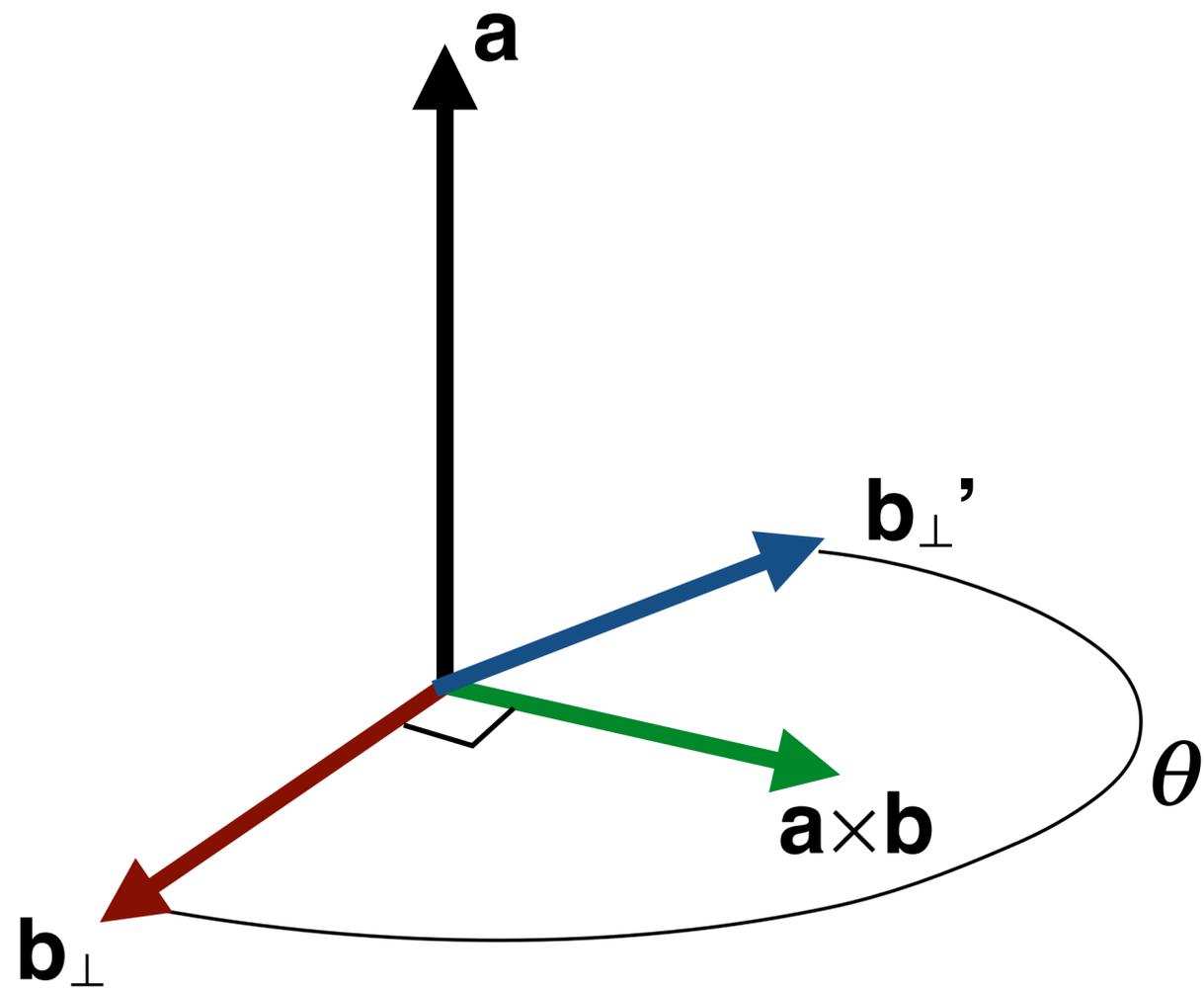
Look this way



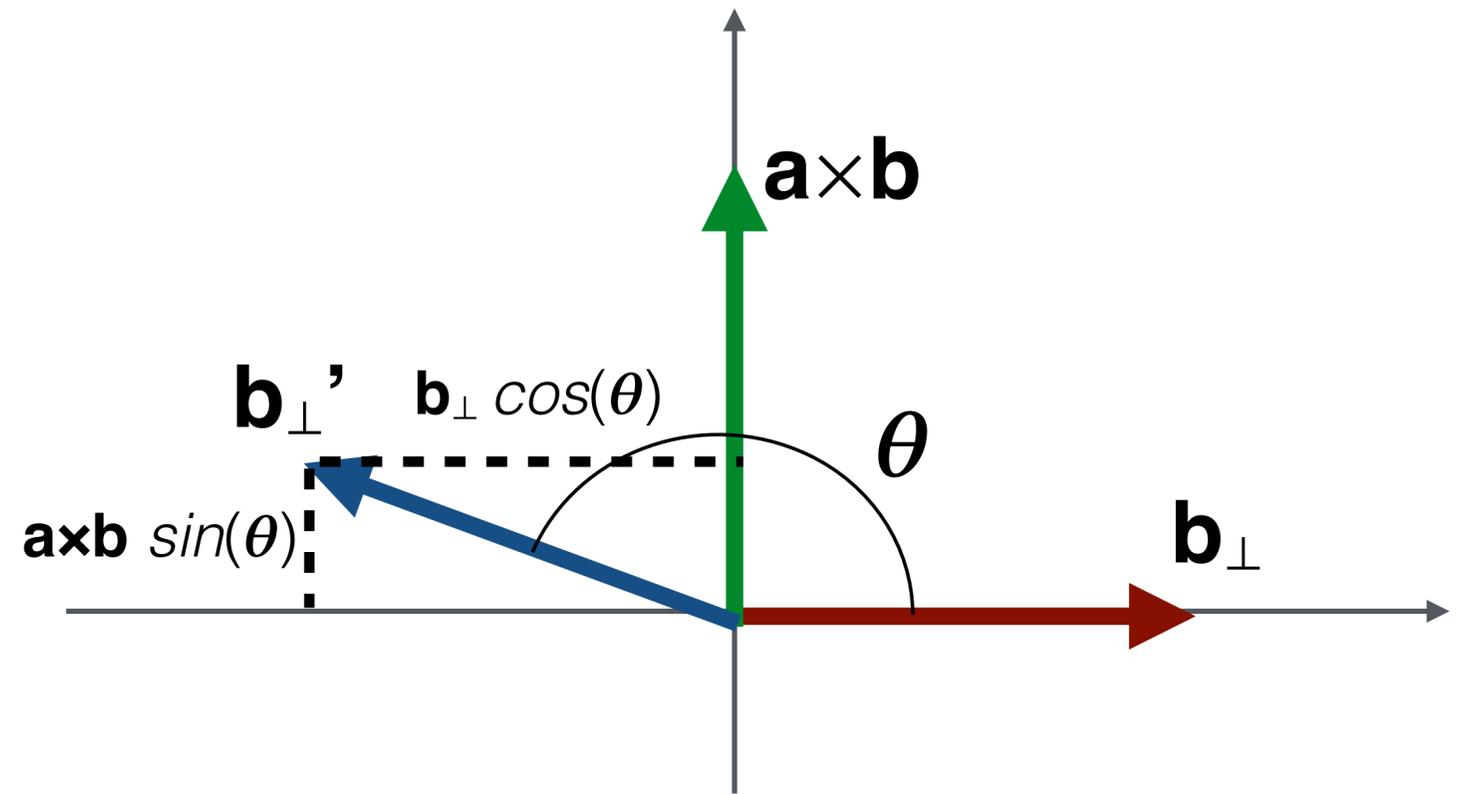
plane orthogonal to  $\mathbf{a}$  defined by  $\mathbf{b}_\perp$  and  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$



assume  $\mathbf{b}_\perp$  aligned with x-axis  $\mathbf{e}_1$   
and  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$  aligned with y-axis  $\mathbf{e}_2$

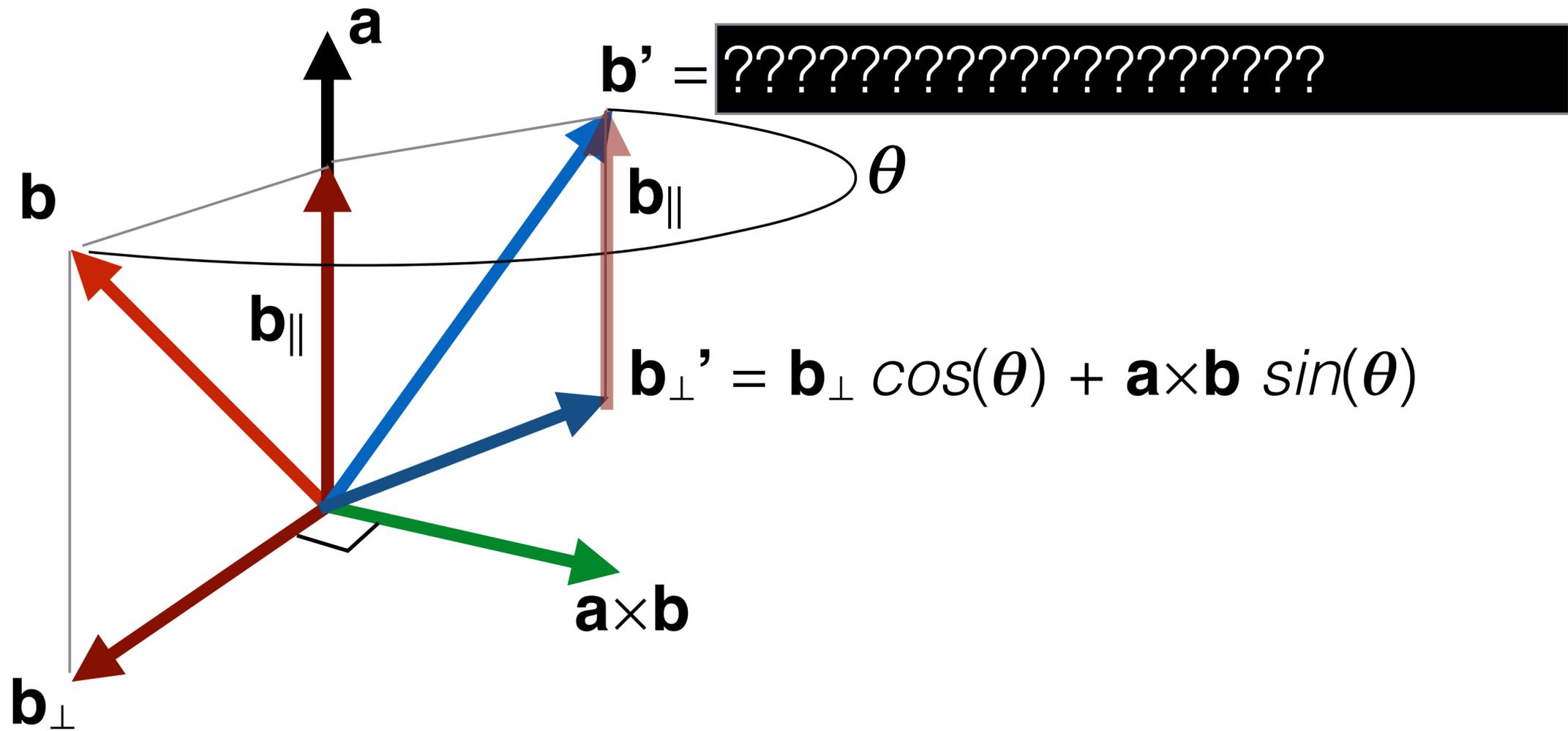


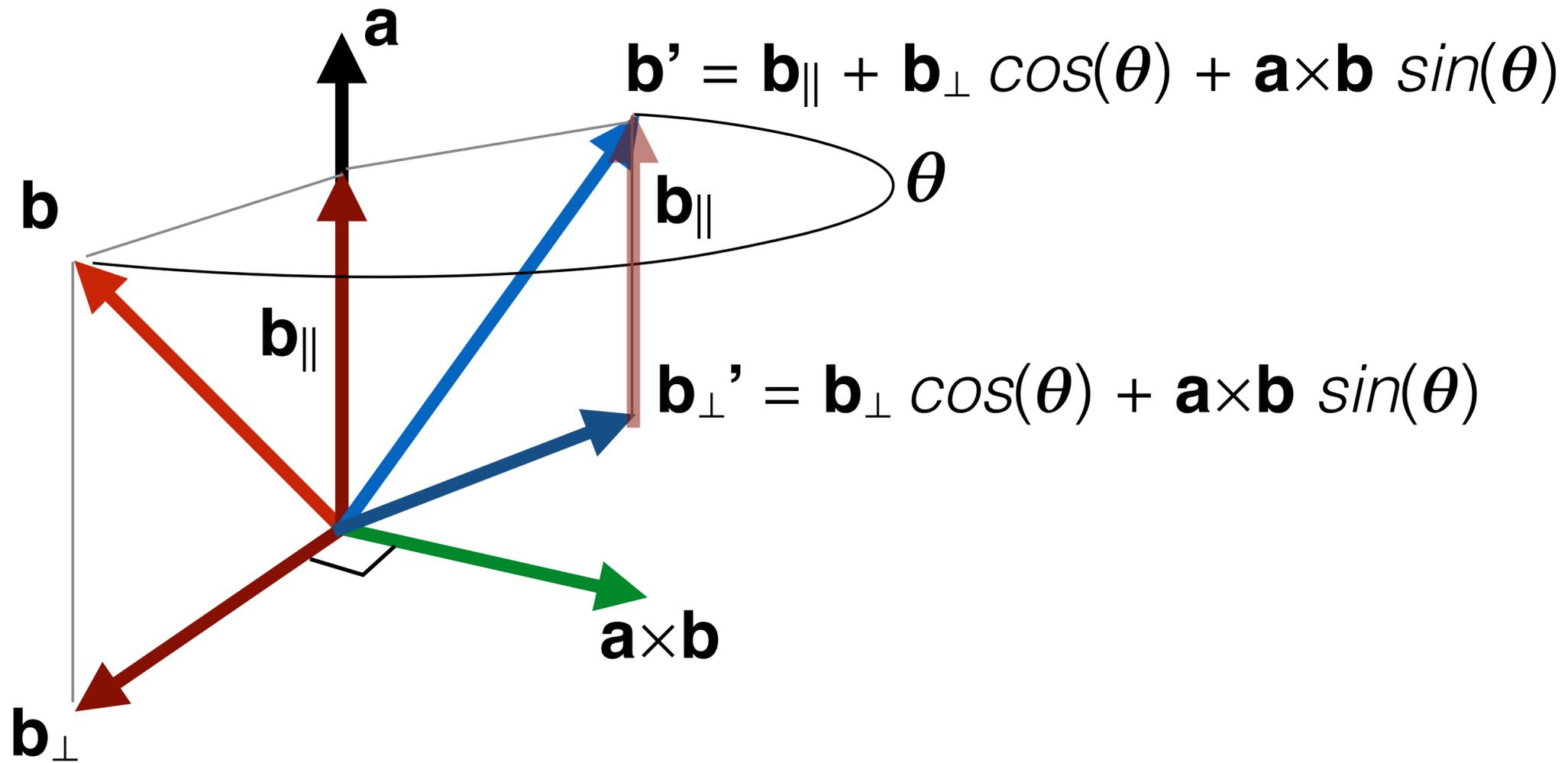
plane orthogonal to **a** defined by **b<sub>⊥</sub>** and **a × b**



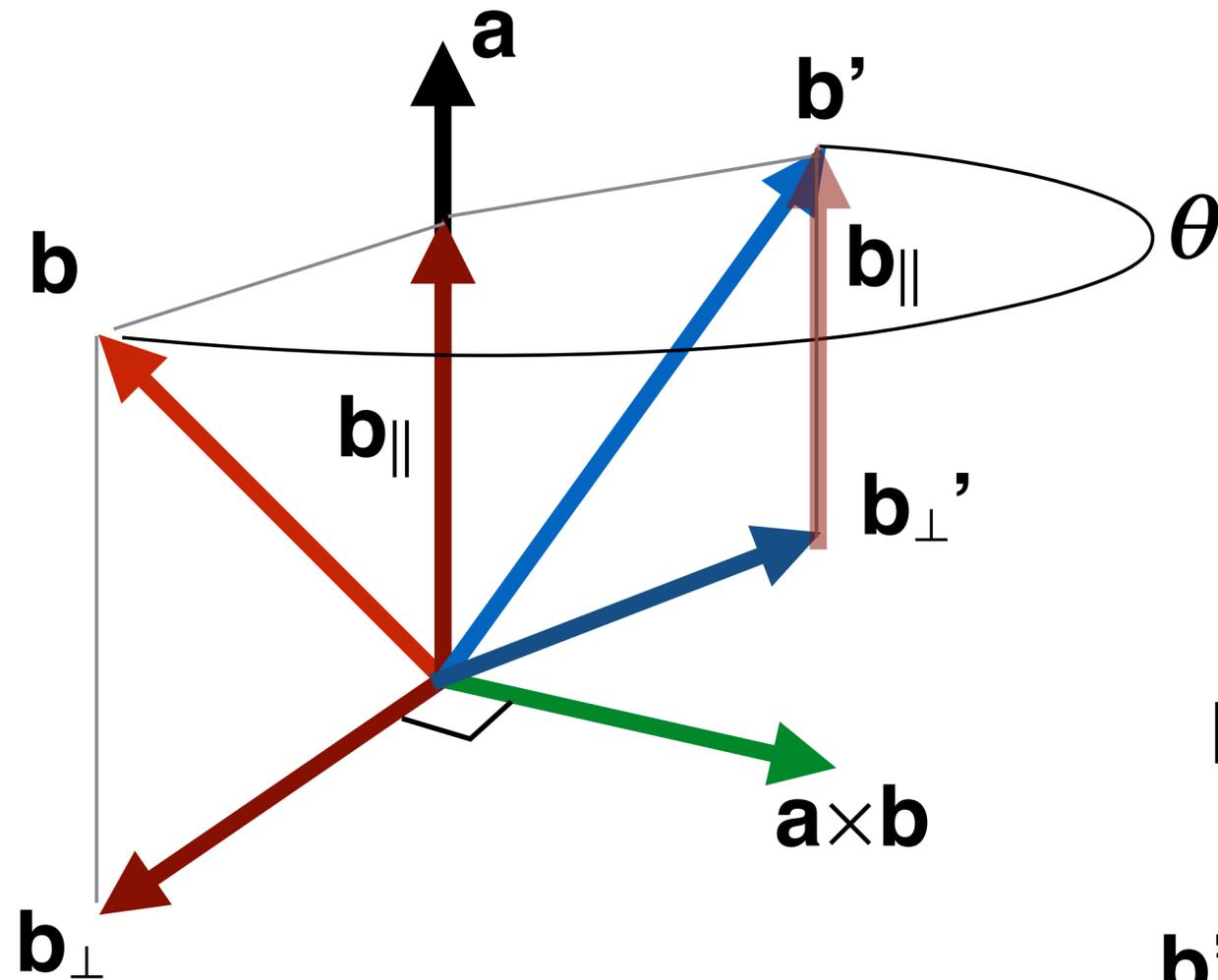
rotation of **b<sub>⊥</sub>** by  $\theta$  is then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b}_{\perp}' &= \mathbf{e}_1 \cos(\theta) + \mathbf{e}_2 \sin(\theta) \\ &= \mathbf{b}_{\perp} \cos(\theta) + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \sin(\theta) \end{aligned}$$





# Rodrigues Rotation Formula



*substitute out  $\mathbf{b}_{\perp}$*

$$\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{b}_{||} + \mathbf{b}_{\perp} \cos(\theta) + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \sin(\theta)$$

$$\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{b}_{||} + (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b}_{||}) \cos(\theta) + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \sin(\theta)$$

*group  $\mathbf{b}_{||}$  terms*

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skew symmetric matrix  
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cross product is multiplication  
with skew symmetric matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v})_x \\ (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v})_y \\ (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v})_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_y v_z - k_z v_y \\ k_z v_x - k_x v_z \\ k_x v_y - k_y v_x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -k_z & k_y \\ k_z & 0 & -k_x \\ -k_y & k_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{bmatrix}.$$



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resulting rotation matrix



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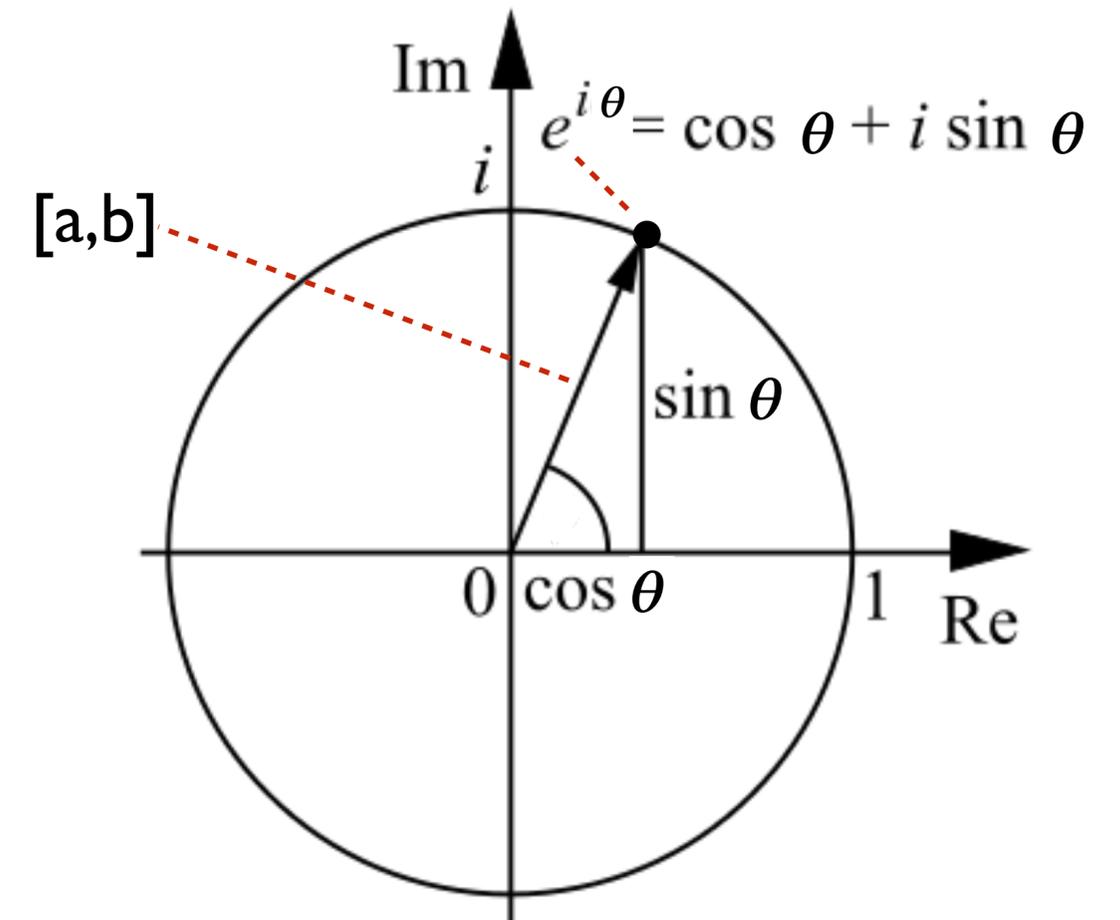
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Rotation by complex numbers



# Rotation by complex numbers

- Complex number:  $a + bi$ ,  $i = \text{sqrt}(-1)$
- $[a,b]$  is unit vector in 2D real/imaginary space, and  $\Theta$  is rotation angle
- Additional 2D rotation can be performed as a complex multiplication, with polar coordinates:  $a_i = \cos(\Theta_i)$  and  $b_i = \sin(\Theta_i)$
- Euler's Formula  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$
- Multiplication of two complex numbers ( $z$  and  $w$ ) composes rotation



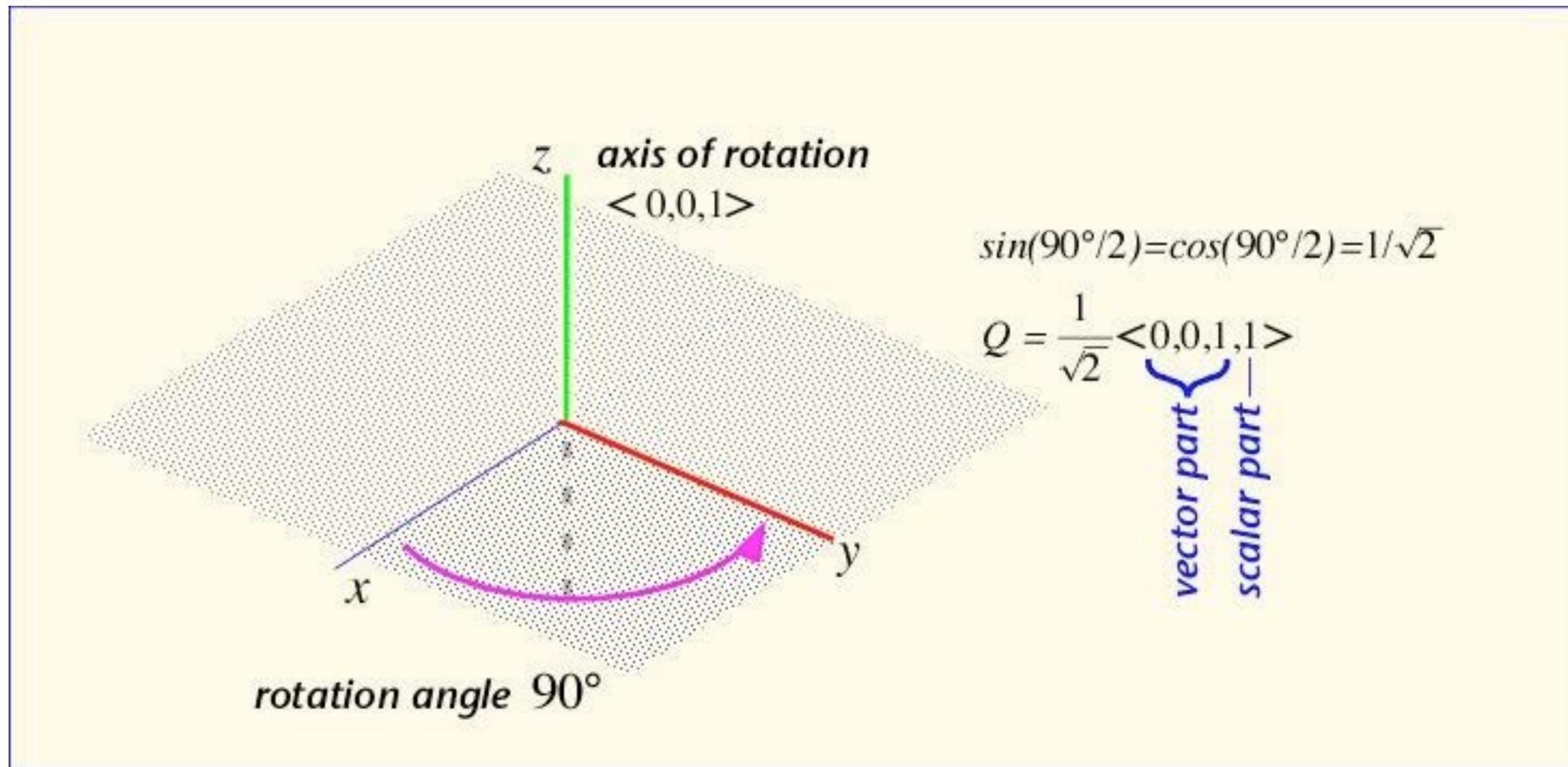
$$zw = (a + bi)(c + di) = e^{i\phi} r e^{i\theta} = r e^{i(\theta+\phi)}$$

# Rotation by Quaternion

(No axis order, No gimbal lock)

Quaternions can perform Rodrigues axis-angle 3D rotation

Provide a clean mathematical expression for rotation composition and interpolation



# Quaternion

Quaternion plaque on Brougham (Broom) Bridge, Dublin



Sir William Rowan Hamilton  
(1805-1865)

Here as he walked by on the 16th of October 1843 Sir William Rowan Hamilton in a flash of genius discovered the fundamental formula for quaternion multiplication  $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$  & cut it on a stone of this bridge

# Quaternions in 3D

- Uses three imaginary numbers ( $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ ) to provide a basis that satisfies

- $\mathbf{i}^2 = -1, \mathbf{j}^2 = -1, \mathbf{k}^2 = -1$

- $\mathbf{ij} = \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{jk} = \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{ki} = \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{ji} = -\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{kj} = -\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{ik} = -\mathbf{j}$

- Forms a real 3D basis indicated by cross product relations

$$\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = -\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i} = -\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k} = -\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{i}$$

- Quaternion defined as  $\mathbf{q} = a + b\mathbf{i} + c\mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k}$

- where  $a, b, c, d$  are scalars

- breaks down into real scalar and imaginary vector:  $\mathbf{q} = (a, [b, c, d]) = (r, \mathbf{v})$

Note:  $q$  is typically configuration, but will be used temporarily as a quaternion



# Quaternions in 3D

- Set of quaternions is a vector space and has three operations

- Addition  $(r_1, \vec{v}_1) + (r_2, \vec{v}_2) = (r_1 + r_2, \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$

$$\mathbf{q}_1 + \mathbf{q}_2 = (a+bi+cj+dk)(e+fi+gj+hk) = (a+e) + (b+f)i + (c+g)j + (d+h)k$$

- Scalar multiplication  $s\mathbf{q}_1 = (sa) + (sb)i + (sc)j + (sd)k$

- Quaternion multiplication  $(r_1, \vec{v}_1)(r_2, \vec{v}_2) = (r_1r_2 - \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2, r_1\vec{v}_2 + r_2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{q}_2 &= (a+bi+cj+dk)(e+fi+gj+hk) \\ &= (ae-bf-cg-dh) + (af+be+ch-dg)i + (ag-bh+ce+df)j + (ah+bg-cf+de)k \end{aligned}$$

- Not commutative:  $\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{q}_2 \neq \mathbf{q}_2\mathbf{q}_1$  Why?



# Quaternion Properties

- Norm:  $|\mathbf{q}|^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$
- Conjugate quaternion:  $\bar{\mathbf{q}} = a - b\mathbf{i} - c\mathbf{j} - d\mathbf{k} = (a, -[b, c, d]) = (r, -\mathbf{v})$
- Inverse quaternion:  $\mathbf{q}^{-1} = \bar{\mathbf{q}} / |\mathbf{q}|^2$
- Unit quaternion:  $|\mathbf{q}| = 1$
- Inverse of unit quaternion:  $\mathbf{q}^{-1} = \bar{\mathbf{q}}$



# Rotation by Quaternion

- Rotations are represented by unit quaternions
  - quaternion is point on 4D unit sphere geometrically
- Quaternion  $\mathbf{q} = (a, \mathbf{u}) = a + b\mathbf{i} + c\mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k} = ( \cos(\Theta/2), \mathbf{u} \sin(\Theta/2) )$   
 $= [\cos(\Theta/2), u_x \sin(\Theta/2), u_y \sin(\Theta/2), u_z \sin(\Theta/2)]$ 
  - $\mathbf{u} = [u_x, u_y, u_z]$  is rotation axis,  $\Theta$  rotation angle
- Rotating a 3D point  $\mathbf{p}$  by unit quaternion  $\mathbf{q}$  is performed by conjugation of  $\mathbf{v}$  by  $\mathbf{q}$ 
  - $\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{q}\mathbf{v}\mathbf{q}^{-1}$ , where  $\mathbf{q}^{-1} = (a, -\mathbf{u})$
  - quaternion  $\mathbf{v}$  is constructed from point  $\mathbf{p}$  as  $\mathbf{v} = 0 + \mathbf{p} = 0 + p_x\mathbf{i} + p_y\mathbf{j} + p_z\mathbf{k}$
  - rotated point  $\mathbf{p}' = [\mathbf{v}'_x \mathbf{v}'_y \mathbf{v}'_z]$  is pulled from quaternion resulting from conjugation



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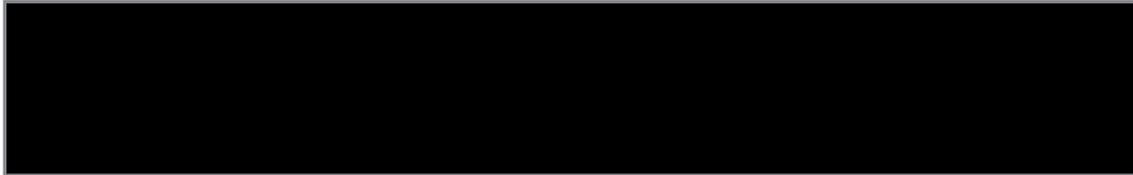


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- Remember: 3D rotations do not commute



# Rodrigues and Quaternion Equivalency

$$\begin{aligned}
 qpq^{-1} &= qpq^* \\
 &= \left( \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} + \hat{a} \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \vec{b} \left( \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} + \hat{a} \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)^* \\
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 &= \vec{b} \cos \alpha + (\hat{a} \times \vec{b}) \sin \alpha + \hat{a}(\hat{a} \cdot \vec{b})(1 - \cos \alpha) \\
 qpq^{-1} &= (1 - \cos \alpha)(\hat{a} \cdot \vec{b})\hat{a} + \vec{b} \cos \alpha + (\hat{a} \times \vec{b}) \sin \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$



# Quaternion to Rotation Matrix

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$$q = [\cos(\Theta/2), u_x \sin(\Theta/2), u_y \sin(\Theta/2), u_z \sin(\Theta/2)]$$

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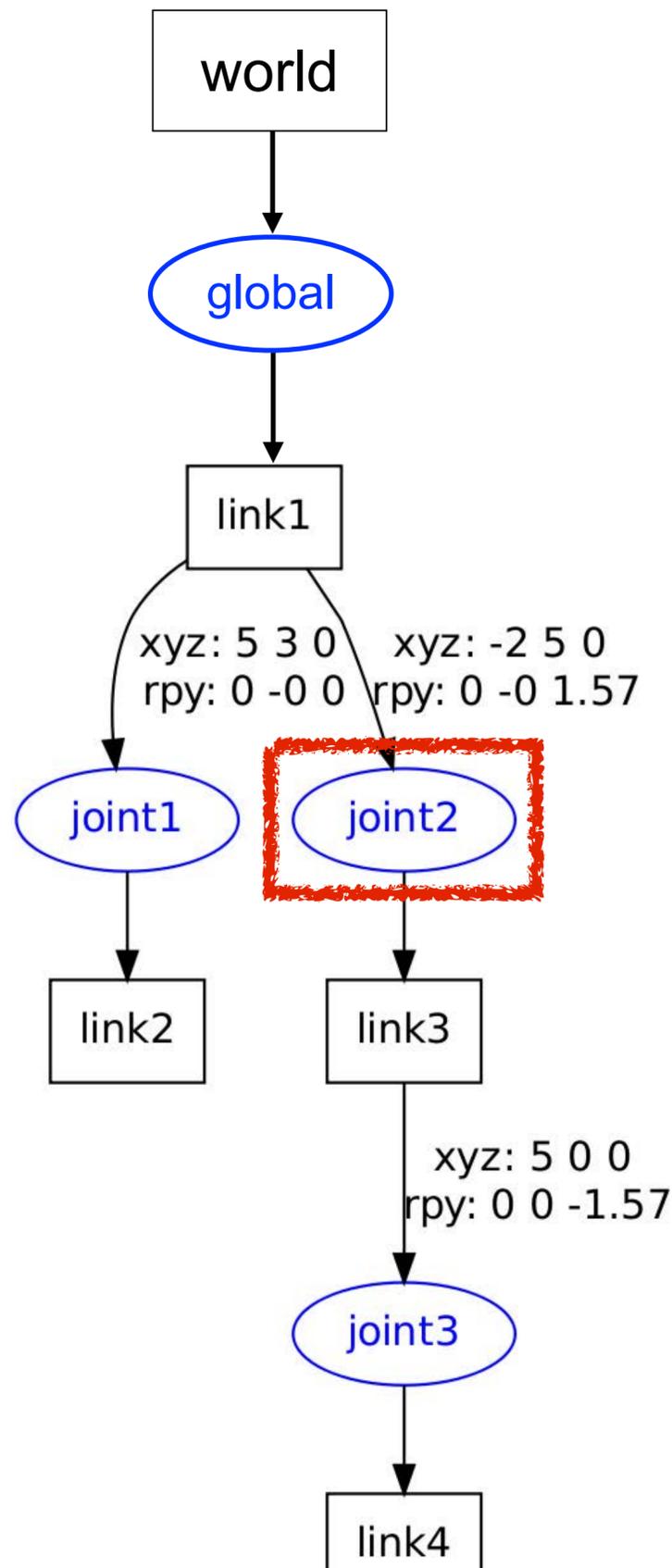
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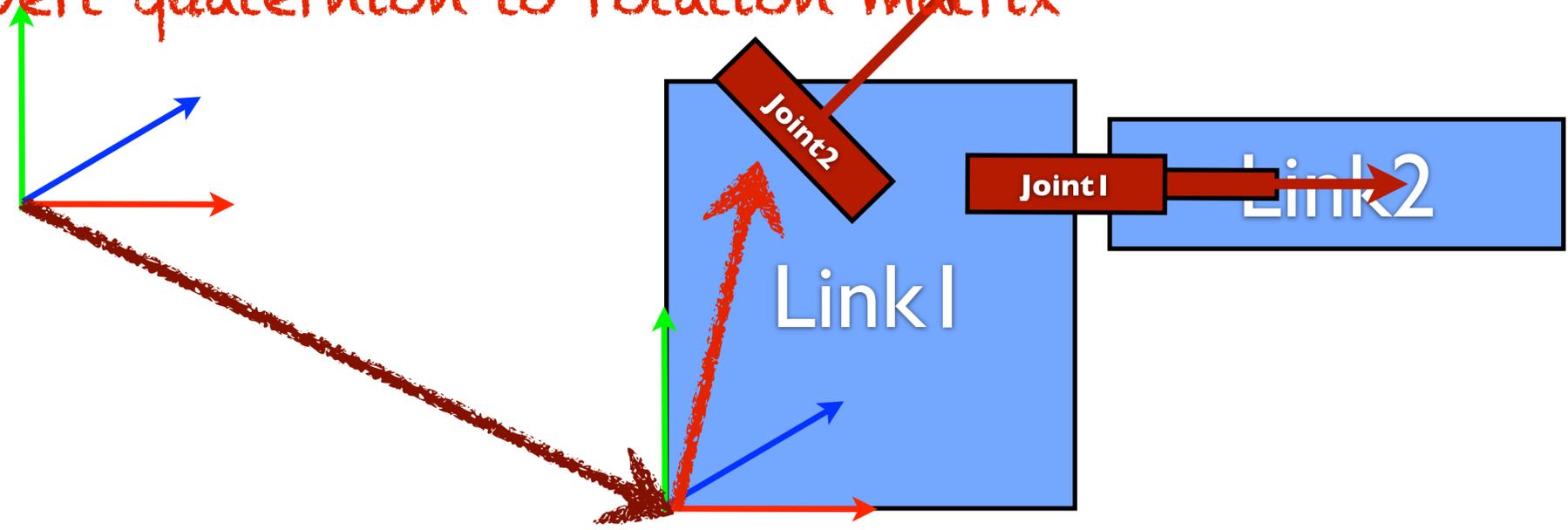


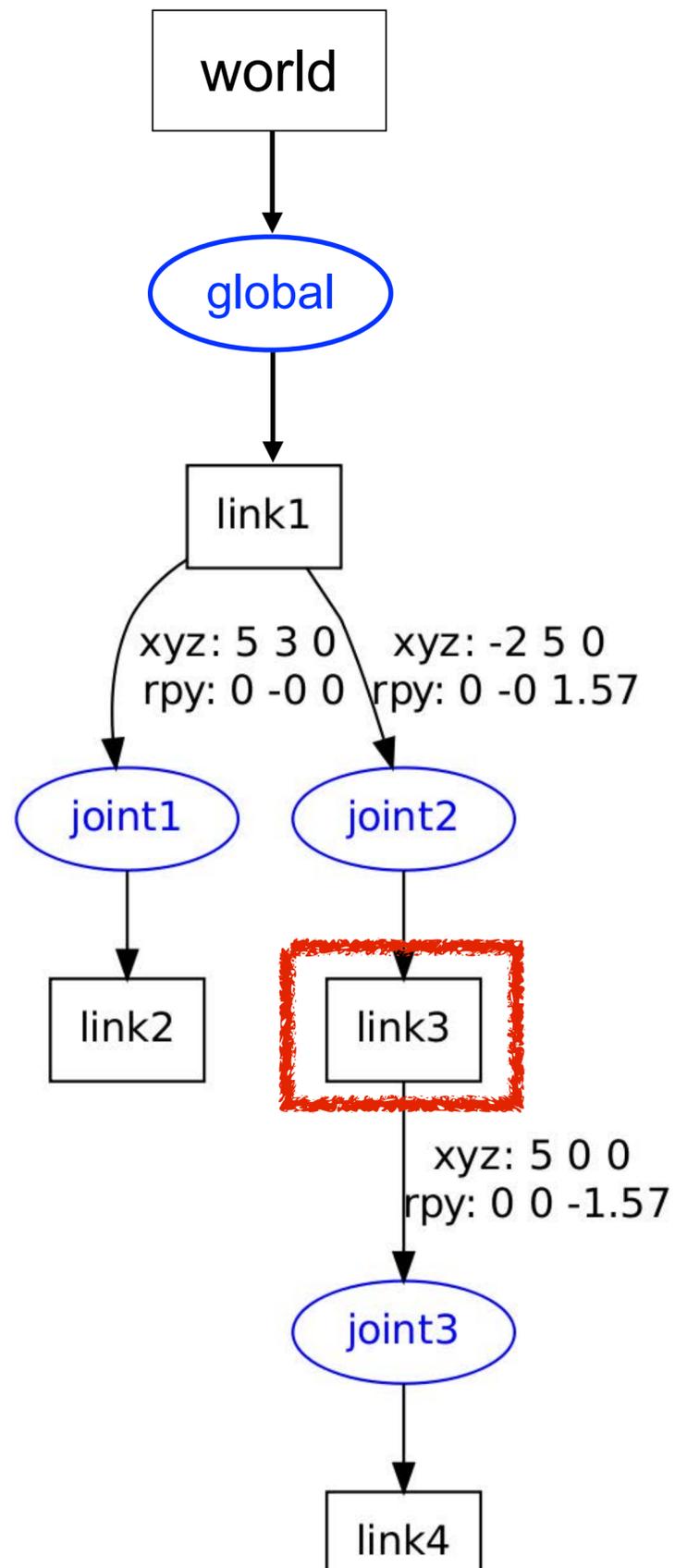


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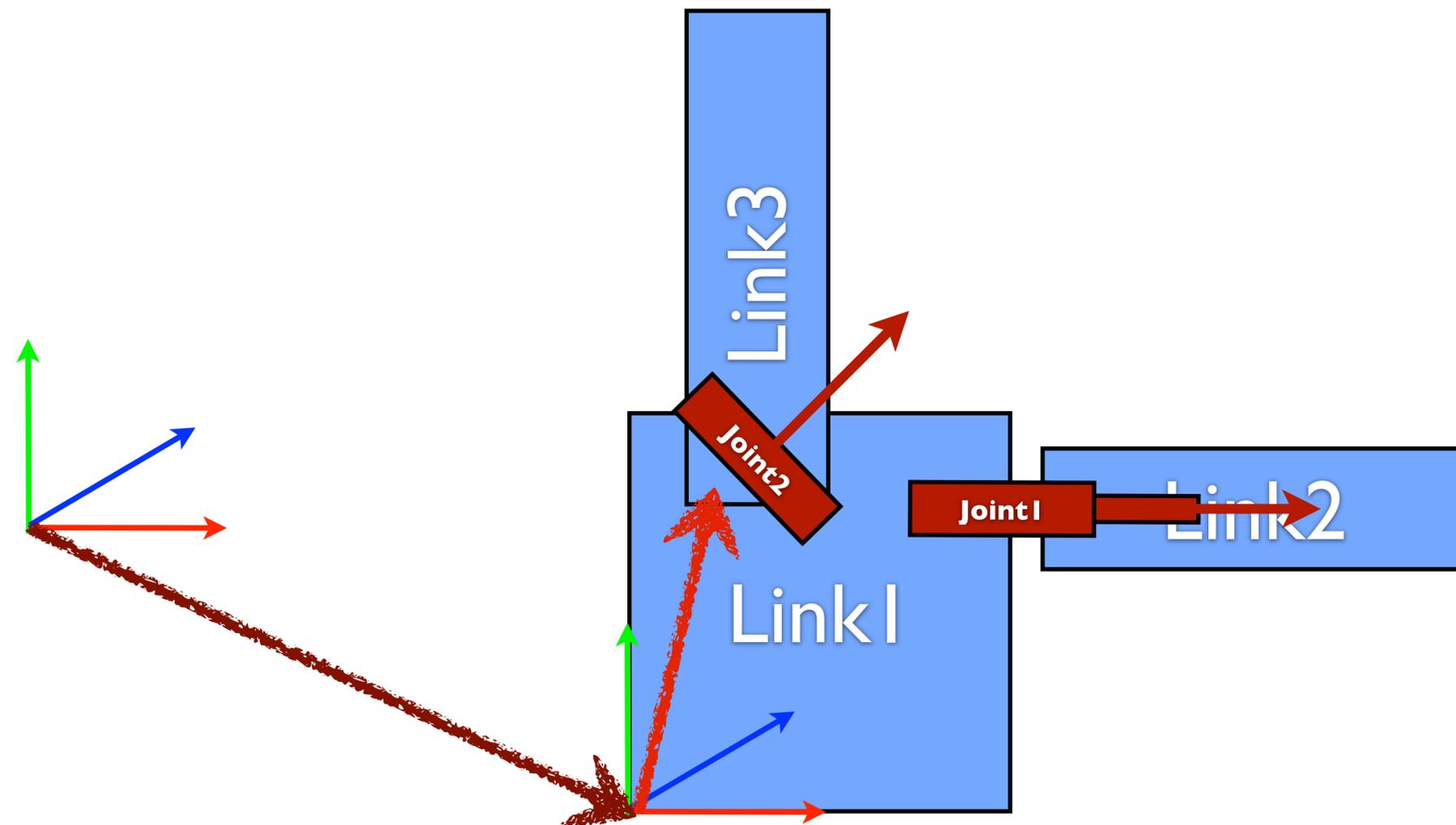
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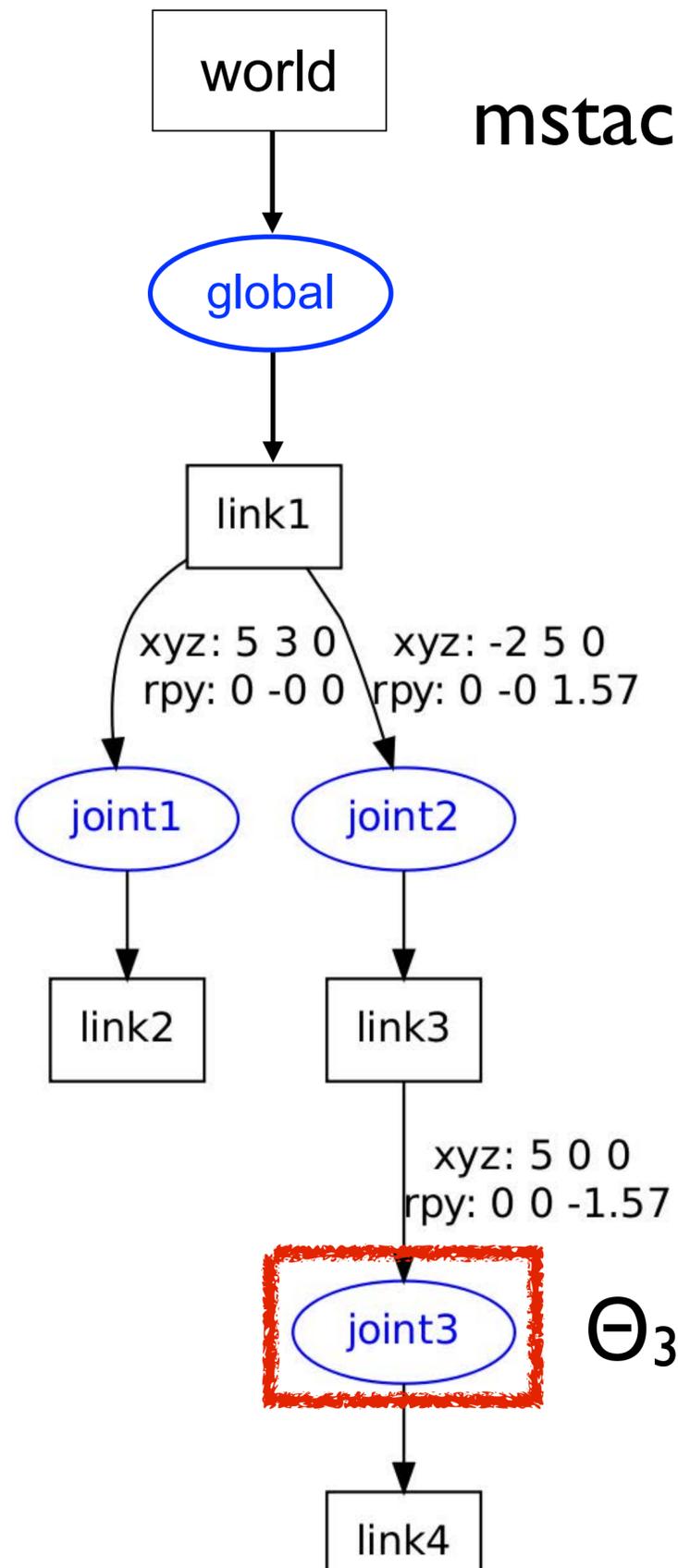
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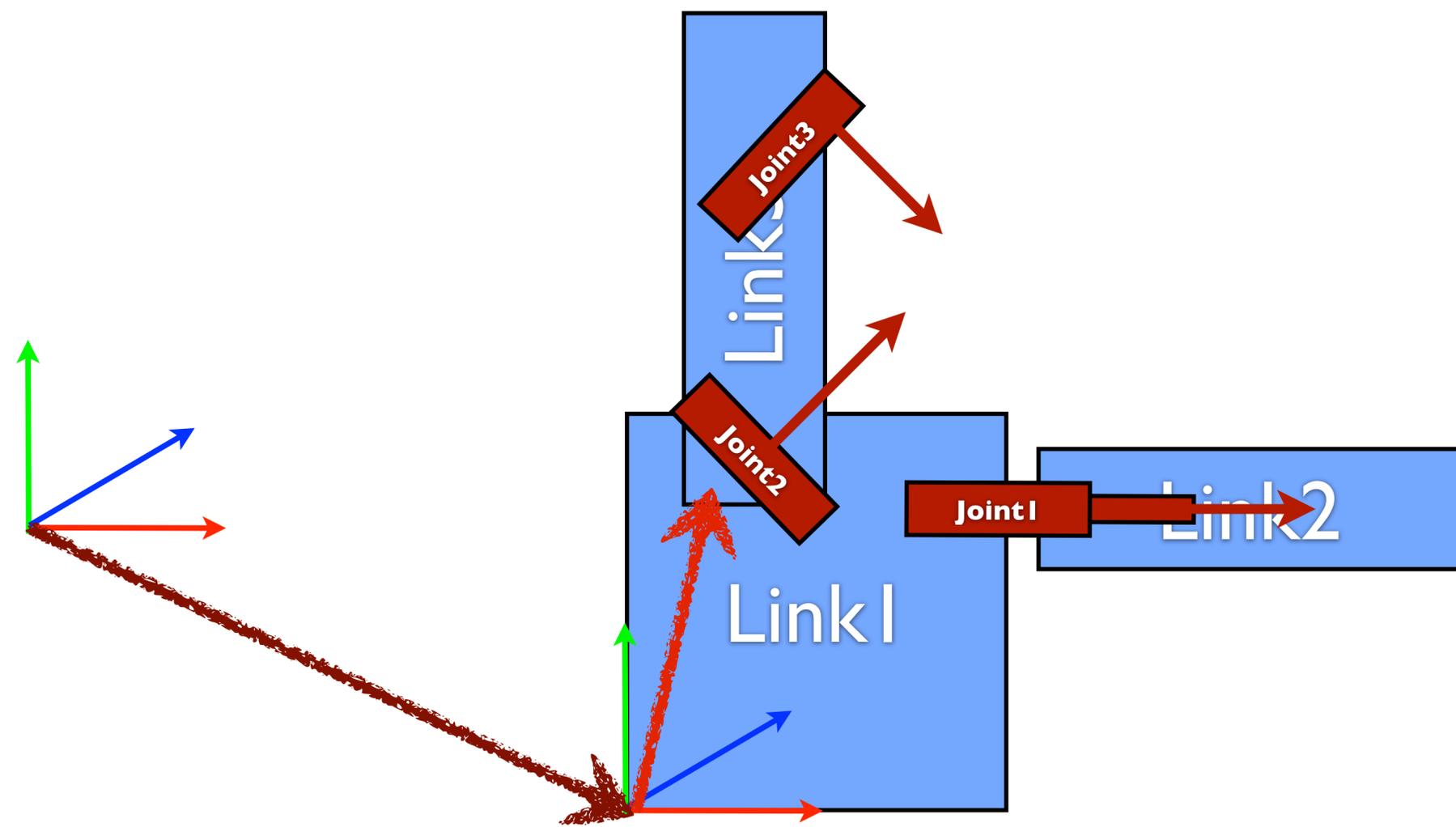
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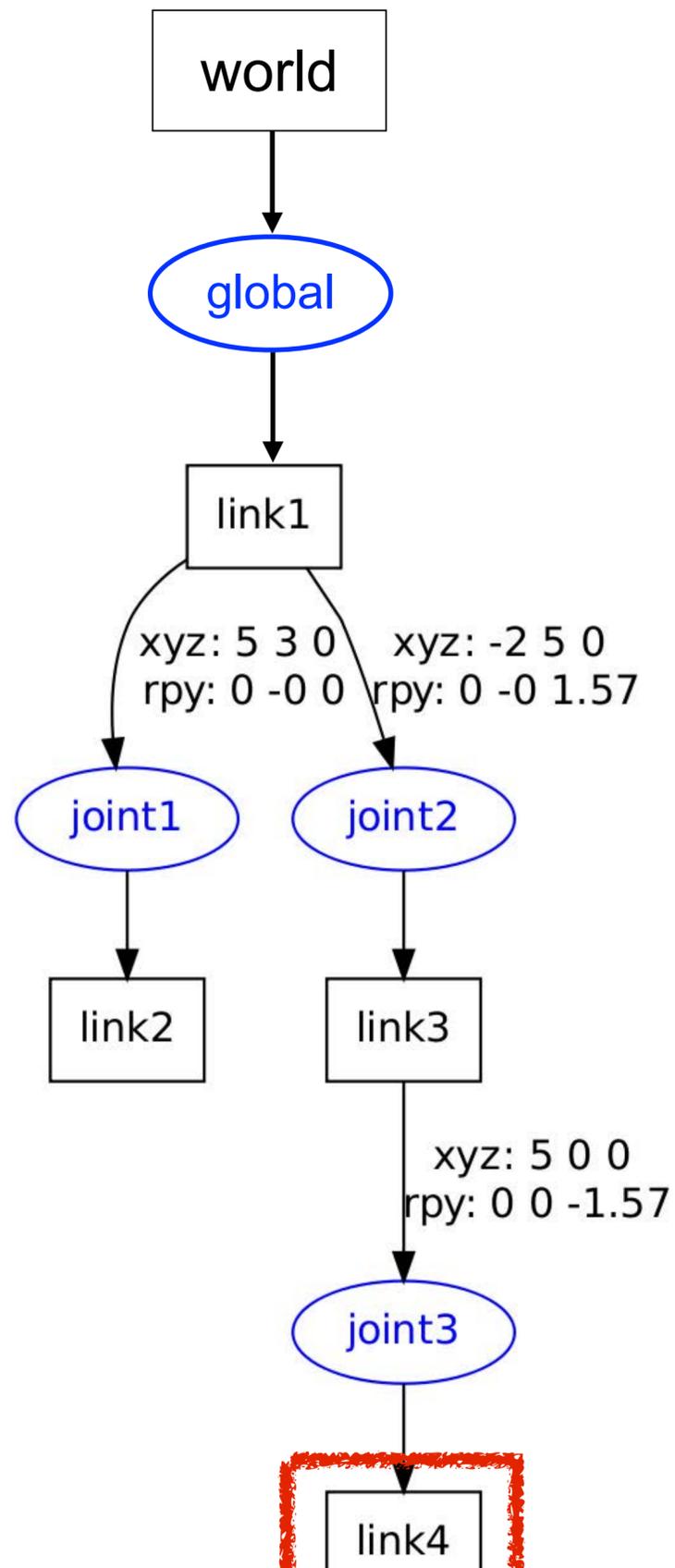




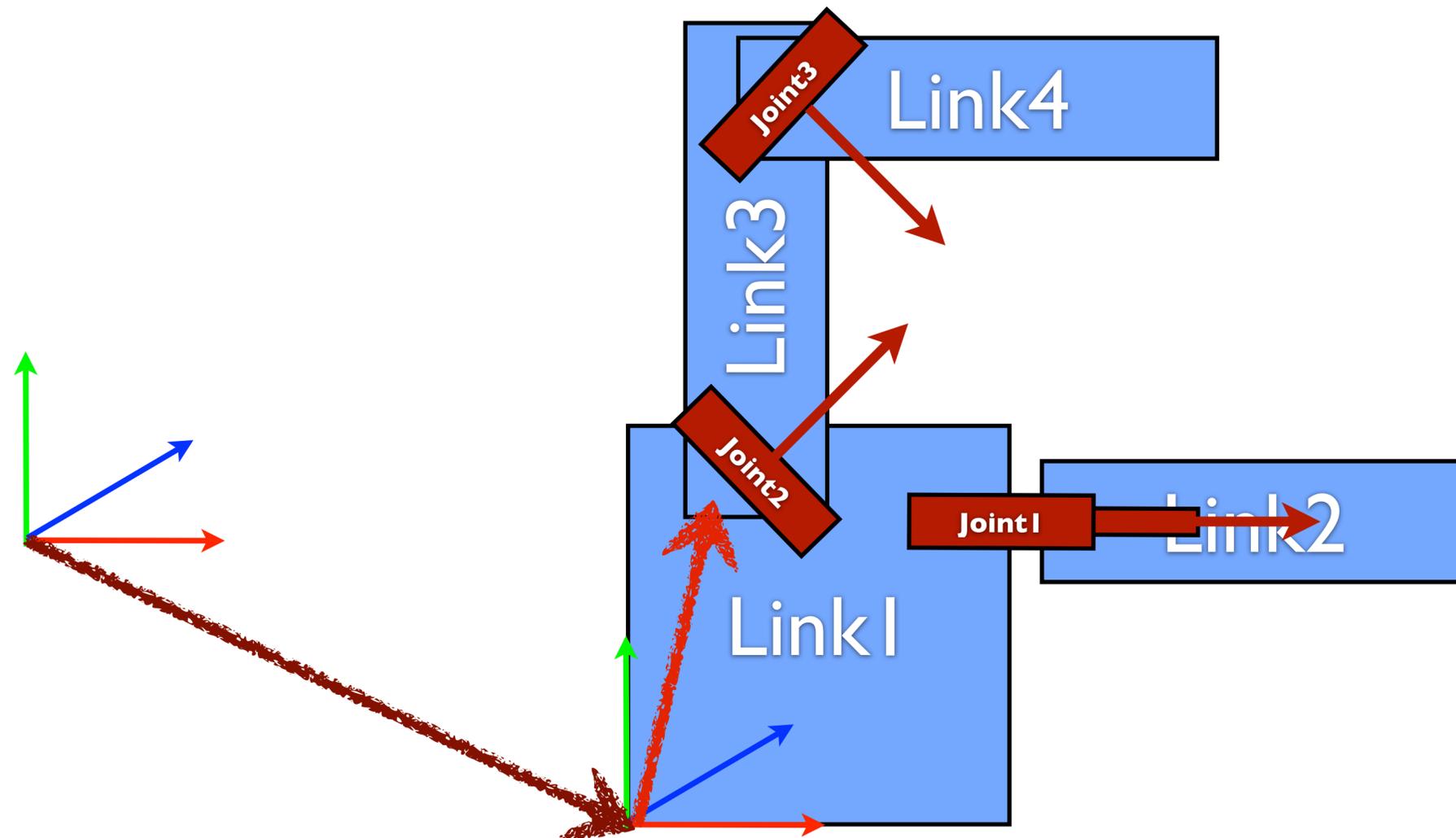
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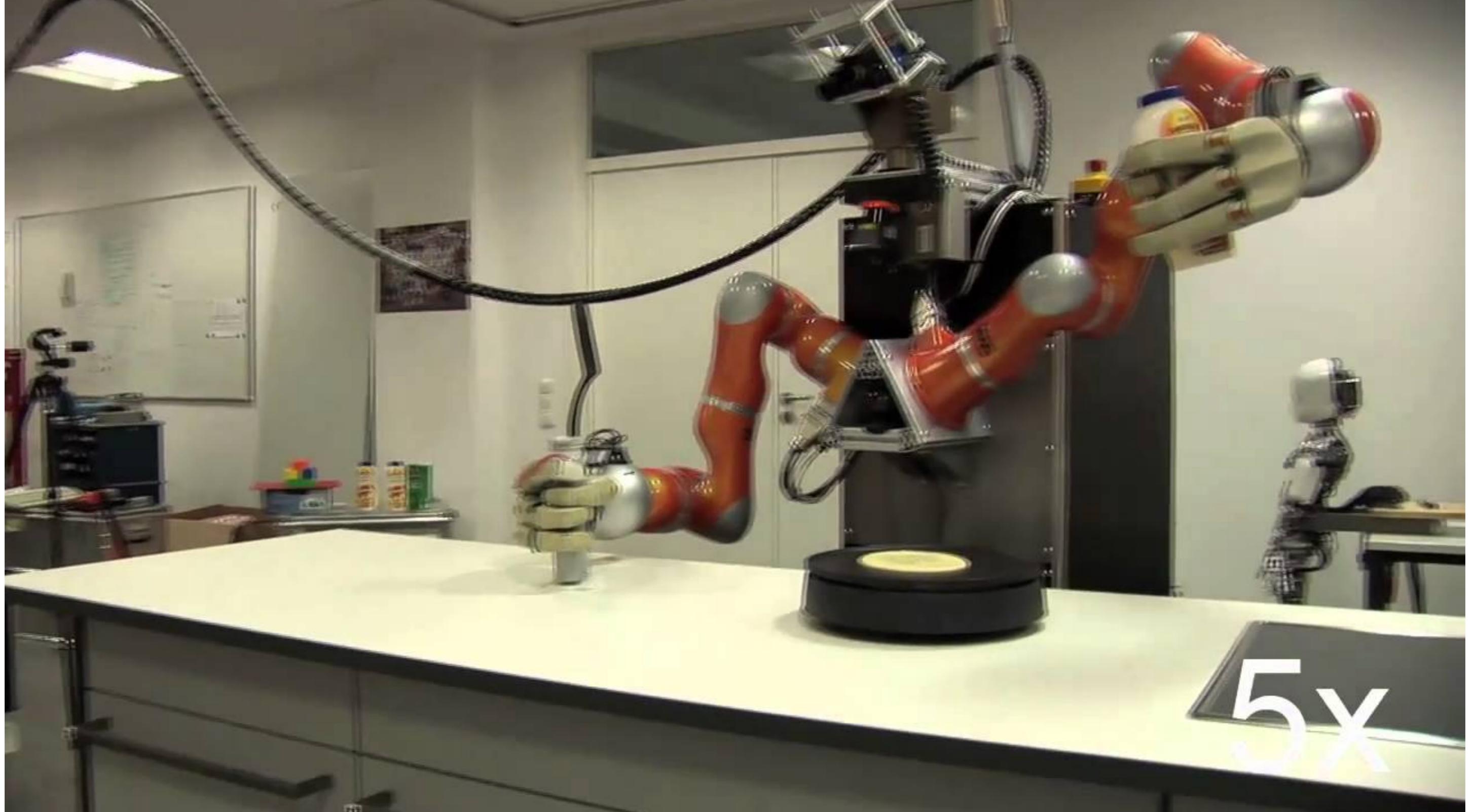


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# Next lecture: Forward Kinematics





## Robotic Roommates Making pancakes

Longer version - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= SIUCrmE8J0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SIUCrmE8J0)

Sped-up video of a demonstration of a project of IAS group at the CoTeSys Fall Workshop 2010 at TU Munich showing TUM-James and TUM-Rosie making pancakes.