# ROBOTICS

COORDINATE FRAMES AND TRANSFORMATIONS

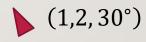
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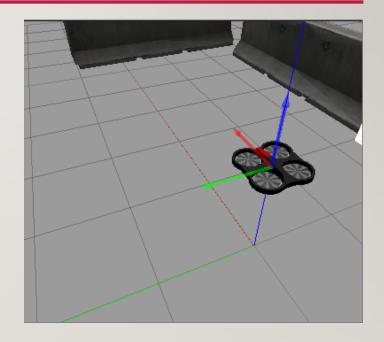
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  - *θ*



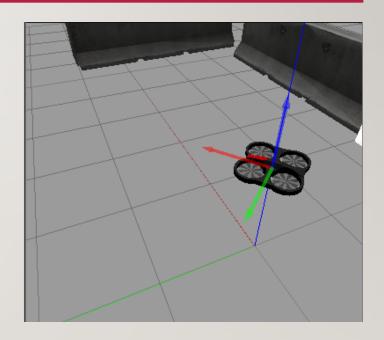
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- AR Drone example
  - X, y, Z
  - If you're applying some force along x, what would happen?
  - When doing PID, this was very useful because you could figure out where you wanted to be in the world, find an error in each axis, and apply some control



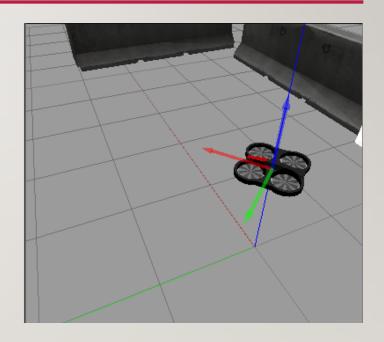
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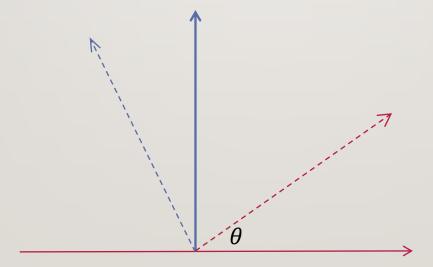
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    - Target and source are specified relative to the world
    - Control is specified relative to the robot

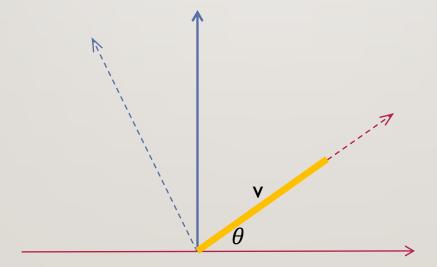


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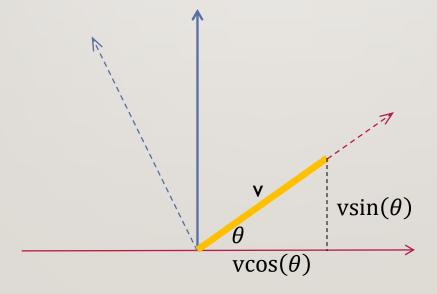
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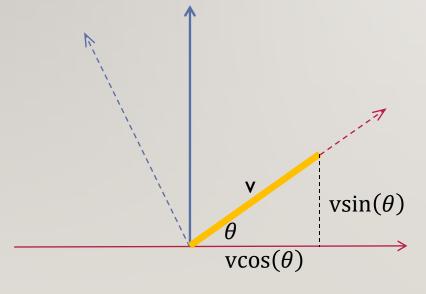
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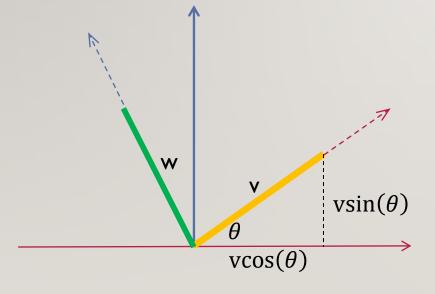


- The position of the robot (p) is now different in the two axes World (0) and Robot (1)
- $p^1 = (v, 0)$
- $p^0 = (vcos(\theta), vsin(\theta))$



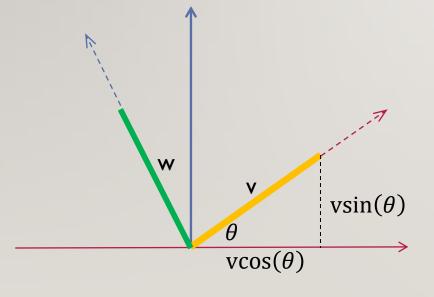
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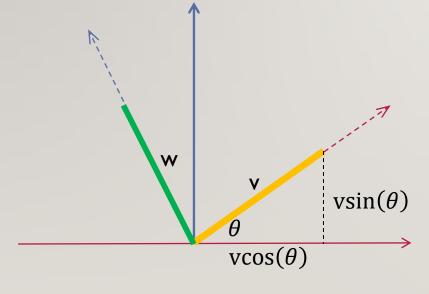


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- A w change in  $y^1$  results in a  $wcos(\theta)$  change in  $y^1$

• 
$$x^1 = v, y^1 = w$$

• 
$$x^0 = v\cos(\theta) - w\sin(\theta)$$

• 
$$y^0 = vsin(\theta) + wcos(\theta)$$



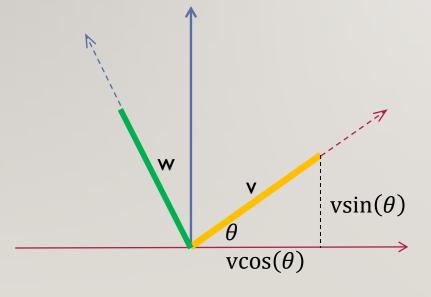
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- We call this the rotation matrix, denoted by  $R_1^0$
- $\bullet \ p^0 = R_1^0 p^1$
- So  $R_1^0$  transforms from reference frame I to reference frame 0

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- If frame I is rotated by  $90^\circ$  relative to frame 0, and  $p^1$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  find  $p^0$

#### 3D ROTATIONS

- 3D rotations are performed around a particular axis
- How would we rotate around the z-axis?
- Picture the z-axis as a handle you're rotating the world around
- This would look just like the rotation we've been doing, so it's like rotating in 2D, for x and y
- If we're rotating around z, what transformation would be needed between  $z^1$  and  $z^0$ ?

#### ROTATION AROUND Z

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#### OTHER ROTATIONS

Rotation matrices for x and y are similar, just using the other planes

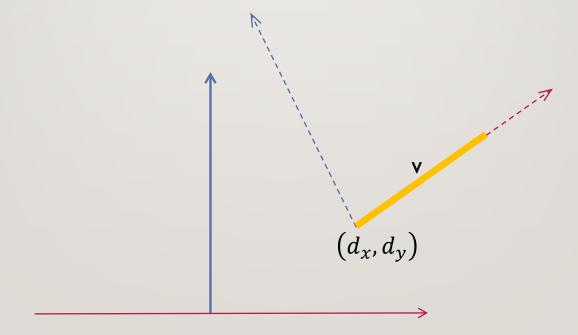
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$$R_{\{x,\theta\}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

• 
$$R_{\{y,\theta\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$R_{\{z,\theta\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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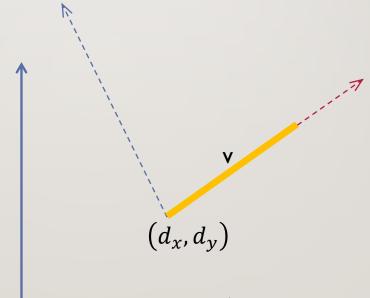
• What do we do when the axes are not at the same origin? Let's say the drone has moved on a bit and rotated as well



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#### HOMOGENOUS TRANSFORMATION IN 3D

• Reference frame 1 is rotated by  $\theta$  degrees around z and displaced by  $(d_x, d_y, d_z)$ 

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 You can change the relevant portion of the transformation matrix if you're rotating around x or y instead

#### STACKING TRANSFORMATIONS

- Reference frame 1 is rotated by  $\theta$  degrees around z and displaced by  $(d_x, d_y, d_z)$  relative to reference frame 0 : construct  $T_1^0$
- Reference frame 2 is rotated by  $\alpha$  degrees around x and displaced by  $(q_x, q_y, q_z)$  relative to reference frame 1 : construct  $T_2^1$
- $p^0 = T_1^0 p^1$
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