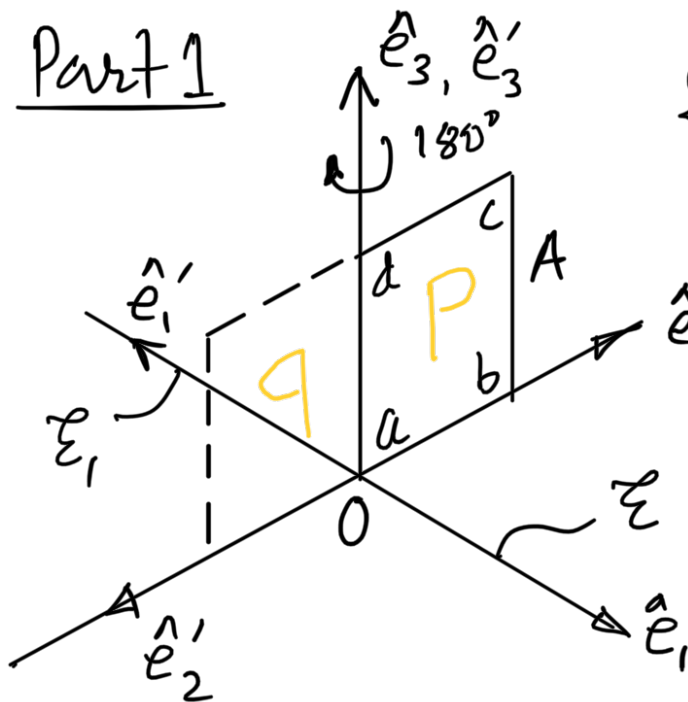


Part 1



$$\{\mathcal{E}, 0, \hat{e}_i\} \xrightarrow{R_1} \{\mathcal{E}_1, 0, \hat{e}'_i\}$$

$$\text{Recall } R_{ij} = \hat{e}'_j \cdot \hat{e}_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\therefore R_{11} = \hat{e}'_1 \cdot \hat{e}_1$$

$$R_{12} = \hat{e}'_2 \cdot \hat{e}_1$$

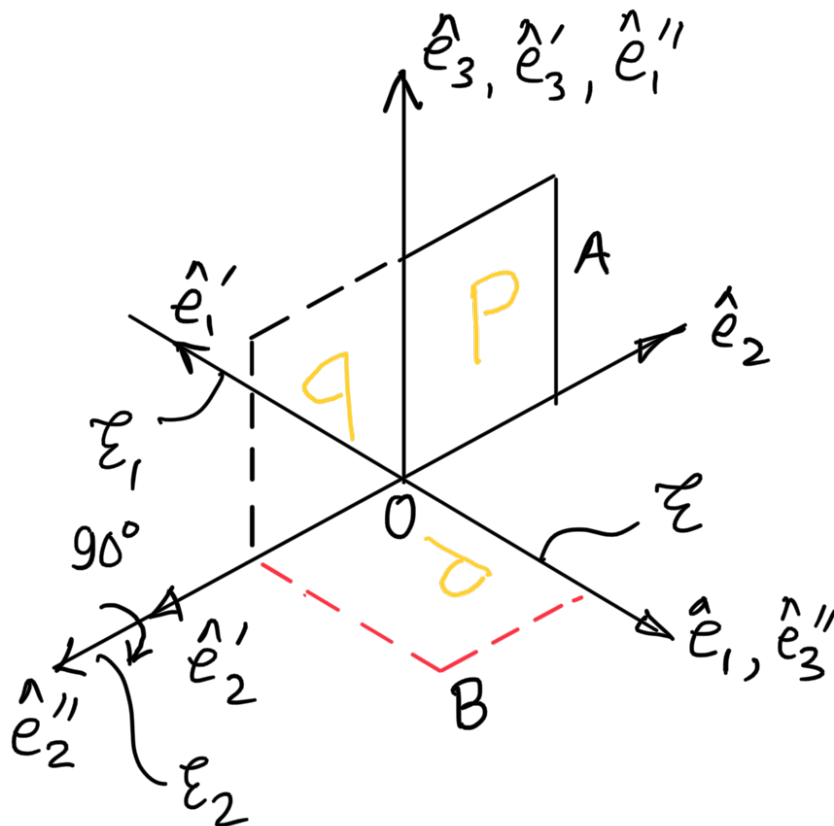
$$R_{13} = \hat{e}'_3 \cdot \hat{e}_1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$R_{33} = \hat{e}'_3 \cdot \hat{e}_3$$

Note we are computing elements of \underline{R}_1 in \mathcal{E} frame

$$\therefore [R_1]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$



Next,

$$\{\mathcal{E}_1, 0, \hat{e}'_i\}$$

$$\downarrow \underline{R}_2$$

$$\{\mathcal{E}_2, 0, \hat{e}''_i\}$$

Using ① we can write components of \underline{R}_2 in \mathcal{E}_1 frame as follows

$$[R_2]_{\mathcal{E}_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \text{---(3)}$$

Now, to compute composite rotation

$$\underline{R} = \underline{R}_2 \cdot \underline{R}_1, \text{---(4)}$$

we use the frame \mathcal{E} . Therefore Eq. (4) will be written as

$$[R]_{\mathcal{E}} = [R_2]_{\mathcal{E}} [R_1]_{\mathcal{E}}. \text{---(5)}$$

We note that components of \underline{R}_2 are computed in \mathcal{E}_1 (see Eq. (3)).

Therefore, we will transform $[R_2]_{\mathcal{E}_1}$ to $[R_2]_{\mathcal{E}}$ using the following rule for change of basis

$$[R_2]_{\mathcal{E}_1} = [R_1]_{\mathcal{E}}^T [R_2]_{\mathcal{E}} [R_1]_{\mathcal{E}}. \text{---(6)}$$

Using orthogonality of \underline{R} we re-write Eq. (6) as

$$[R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}} [R_2]_{\underline{\epsilon}} [R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}}^T = [R_2]_{\underline{\epsilon}} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Substituting $[R_2]_{\underline{\epsilon}}$ from Eq. (7) into Eq. (5)

$$[R]_{\underline{\epsilon}} = [R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}} [R_2]_{\underline{\epsilon}} \underbrace{[R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}}^T [R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}}}_{[1]_{\underline{\epsilon}}}$$

$$\therefore [R]_{\underline{\epsilon}} = [R_1]_{\underline{\epsilon}} [R_2]_{\underline{\epsilon}} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Note: The order of multiplication in Eqs. (4) and (8) is opposite.

Using Eqs. (2) and (3) in Eq. (8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} [R]_{\underline{\epsilon}} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (9)} \end{aligned}$$

Part 2. $\{\mathcal{E}, 0, \hat{e}_i\} \xrightarrow{\underline{R}} \{\mathcal{E}_2, 0, \hat{e}_i''\}$

Once again using Eq. ① we can write

$$[R]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This is the same as found in Eq. ⑨.

Important: In this problem we have been rotating the body-fixed CS to the plate.

$$\{\mathcal{E}, 0, \hat{e}_i\} \xrightarrow{\underline{R}_1} \{\mathcal{E}_1, 0, \hat{e}_i'\} \xrightarrow{\underline{R}_2} \{\mathcal{E}_2, 0, \hat{e}_i''\}.$$

We will be making use of the concepts employed here when learning Euler's angles for rotation of a rigid body.