



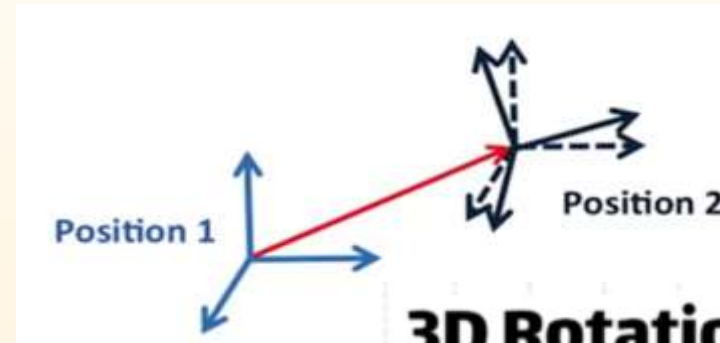
# Fundamental of 3D Motion

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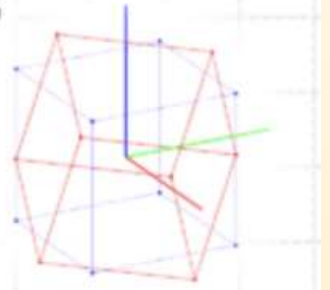
# 3D Motion

- 3D Motion consists of
  - ✓ Translation
  - ✓ pure rotation
- Rotation is complex, it focus on
  - ✓ Rotation Matrix
  - ✓ Euler Angles
  - ✓ Gimbal Lock
  - ✓ Quaternion
  - ✓ Axis-Angle



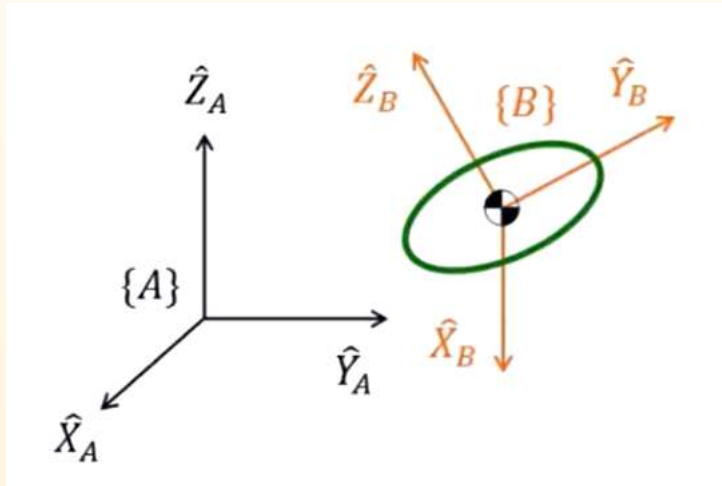
## 3D Rotations

$R_x$   
 $R_y$   
 $R_z$



## Rotation Matrix

- First, it can describe the posture of {B} relative to {A}



- Suppose each length of vectors is 1

Means the Projection  
of  $X_B$  on {A}

$${}^A\mathbf{R}_B = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A \\ \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A \\ \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ {}^A\hat{X}_B & {}^A\hat{Y}_B & {}^A\hat{Z}_B \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

“direct cosines”

- The result of swapping the front and back vectors remains unchanged

Means the Projection of  $\hat{X}_A$  on  $\{\hat{B}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^A\mathbf{R}_B &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{X}_A \cdot \hat{X}_B & \hat{X}_A \cdot \hat{Y}_B & \hat{X}_A \cdot \hat{Z}_B \\ \hat{Y}_A \cdot \hat{X}_B & \hat{Y}_A \cdot \hat{Y}_B & \hat{Y}_A \cdot \hat{Z}_B \\ \hat{Z}_A \cdot \hat{X}_B & \hat{Z}_A \cdot \hat{Y}_B & \hat{Z}_A \cdot \hat{Z}_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} - & {}^B\hat{X}_A^T & - \\ - & {}^B\hat{Y}_A^T & - \\ - & {}^B\hat{Z}_A^T & - \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ {}^B\hat{X}_A & {}^B\hat{Y}_A & {}^B\hat{Z}_A \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}^T = {}^B\mathbf{R}_A^T
 \end{aligned}$$

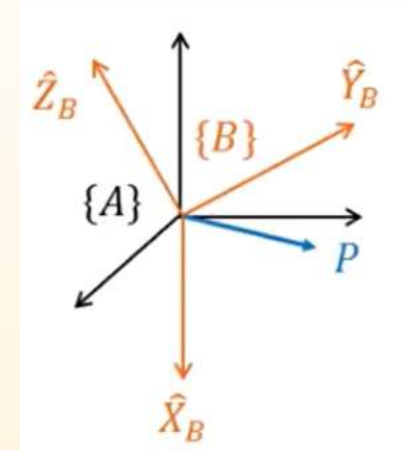
- Second, it can convert coordinates between vectors

$${}^B P = {}^B P_x \hat{X}_B + {}^B P_y \hat{Y}_B + {}^B P_z \hat{Z}_B$$

$${}^A P = {}^A P_x \hat{X}_A + {}^A P_y \hat{Y}_A + {}^A P_z \hat{Z}_A$$

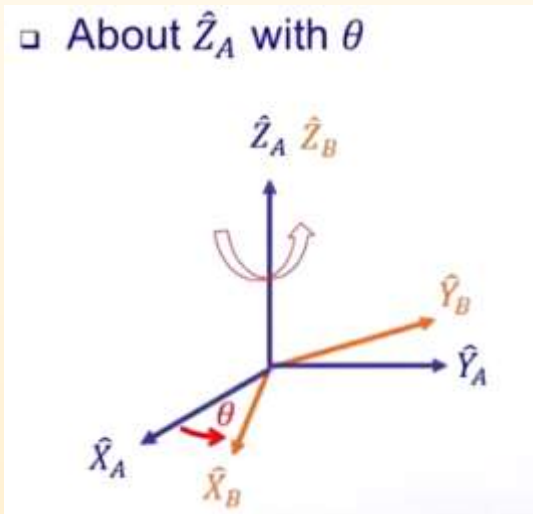
$$\begin{aligned} {}^A P_x &= {}^B P \cdot \hat{X}_A = \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A {}^B P_x + \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A {}^B P_y + \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A {}^B P_z \\ {}^A P_y &= {}^B P \cdot \hat{Y}_A = \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A {}^B P_x + \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A {}^B P_y + \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A {}^B P_z \\ {}^A P_z &= {}^B P \cdot \hat{Z}_A = \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A {}^B P_x + \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A {}^B P_y + \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A {}^B P_z \end{aligned}$$

$${}^A P = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A P_x \\ {}^A P_y \\ {}^A P_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{X}_A \\ \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Y}_A \\ \hat{X}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A & \hat{Y}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A & \hat{Z}_B \cdot \hat{Z}_A \end{bmatrix} {}^B \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \end{bmatrix} = {}^A R^B P$$



Projection of vector P  
from {B} to {A}

- Third, it can further describe the rotational state of the object



Rotation angle

$$R_{\hat{z}_A}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta & -s\theta & 0 \\ s\theta & c\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

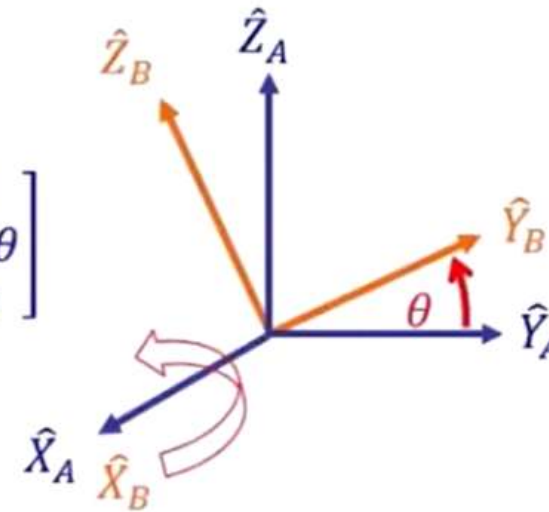
axis of rotation

$$c\theta = \cos \theta$$

$$s\theta = \sin \theta$$

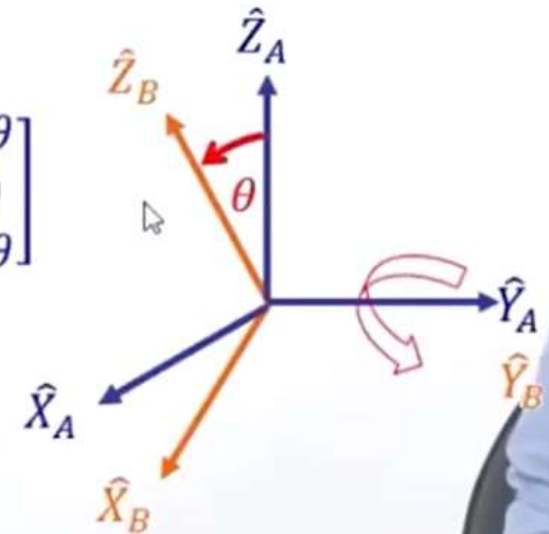
□ About  $\hat{X}_A$  with  $\theta$

$$R_{\hat{X}_A}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c\theta & -s\theta \\ 0 & s\theta & c\theta \end{bmatrix}$$



□ About  $\hat{Y}_A$  with  $\theta$

$$R_{\hat{Y}_A}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta & 0 & s\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s\theta & 0 & c\theta \end{bmatrix}$$



Ex:

$${}^A P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1.732 \end{bmatrix}^T \quad \text{Rotate 30 degrees to the x-axis, then find } {}^A P'$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\hat{x}_A}(\theta) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 30^\circ & -\sin 30^\circ \\ 0 & \sin 30^\circ & \cos 30^\circ \end{bmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad {}^A P' = R_{\hat{x}_A}(\theta) {}^A P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.866 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.866 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1.732 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.866 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.866 \end{bmatrix} \quad = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

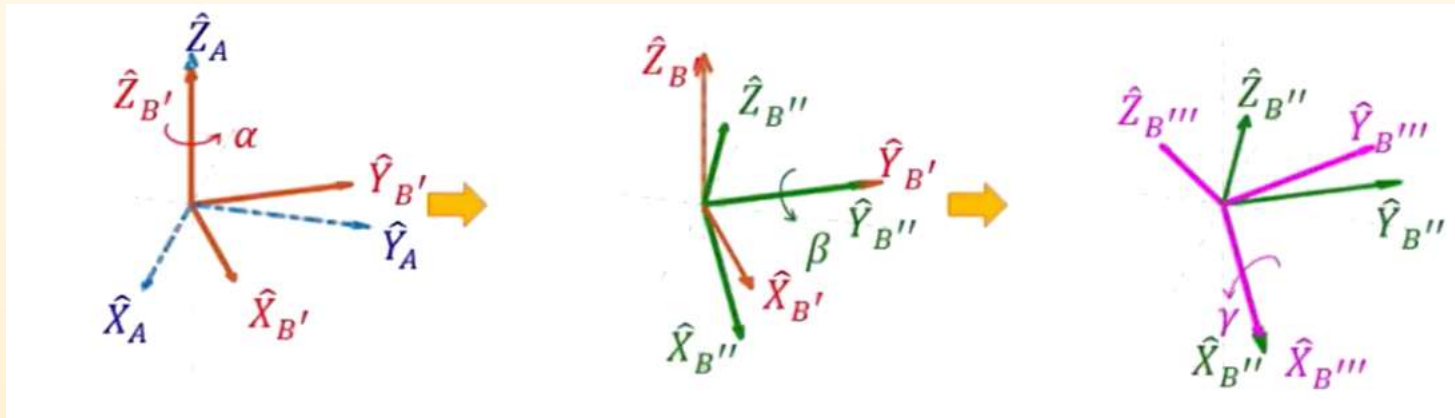
$$\boxed{{}^A P' = R(\theta) {}^A P}$$



## Euler Angle

- Any rotation in 3D space can be split becomes a rotation along the three orthogonal coordinate axes of the object itself.
- Matrix multiplication is not commutative, so different rotation orders will produce different results.

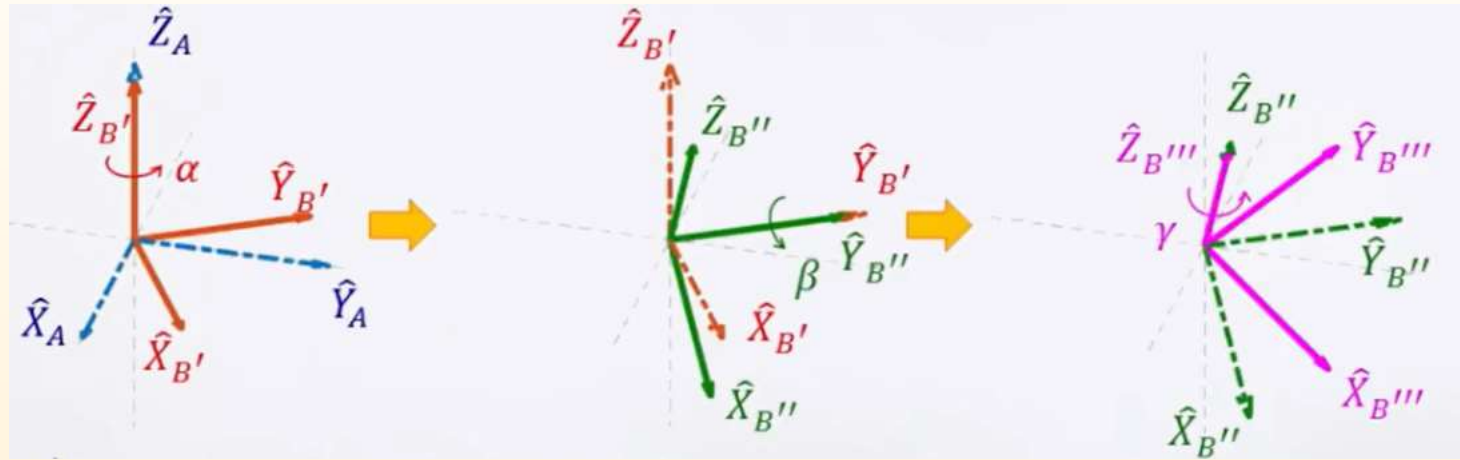
➤ First is a Z-Y-X Euler Angle



$${}^A\mathbf{R}_{BZ'Y'X'}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = R_{Z'}(\alpha)R_{Y'}(\beta)R_{X'}(\gamma)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\alpha & -s\alpha & 0 \\ s\alpha & c\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c\beta & 0 & s\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s\beta & 0 & c\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c\gamma & -s\gamma \\ 0 & s\gamma & c\gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

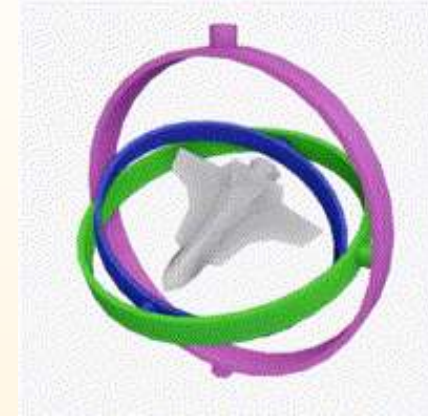
- Second is a Z-Y-Z Euler Angle, which was used in robotics



$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^A\mathbf{R}_{BZ'Y'Z'}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) &= R_{Z'}(\alpha)R_{Y'}(\beta)R_{Z'}(\gamma) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c\alpha c\beta c\gamma - s\alpha s\gamma & -c\alpha c\beta s\gamma - s\alpha c\gamma & c\alpha s\beta \\ s\alpha c\beta c\gamma + c\alpha s\gamma & -s\alpha c\beta s\gamma + c\alpha c\gamma & s\alpha s\beta \\ -s\beta c\gamma & s\beta s\gamma & c\beta \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Gimbal Lock

- However, the Euler Angle is vulnerable to a gimbal lock.
- Gimbal Lock is a phenomenon that occurs when two of the three axes of rotation of a 3D object align, resulting in a loss of one degree of freedom. So the system goes from 3 dimensions to 2 dimensions.
- There are two ways to avoid this problem:
  - Changing the rotation sequence, if you need to obtain a solution in Euler Angles this is the best way to avoid this problem.
  - Using **Quaternions**, quaternions do not suffer gimbal lock.



## Review Complex Number

- Quaternion is quite similar to Complex Number.

So first, let us review Complex Number

$$z_1 = a + bi \quad \triangleright \text{Magnitude: } \|z_1\| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$z_2 = c + di$$

➤ Multiplication:

$$z_1 z_2 = ac + adi + bci + bdi^2 = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

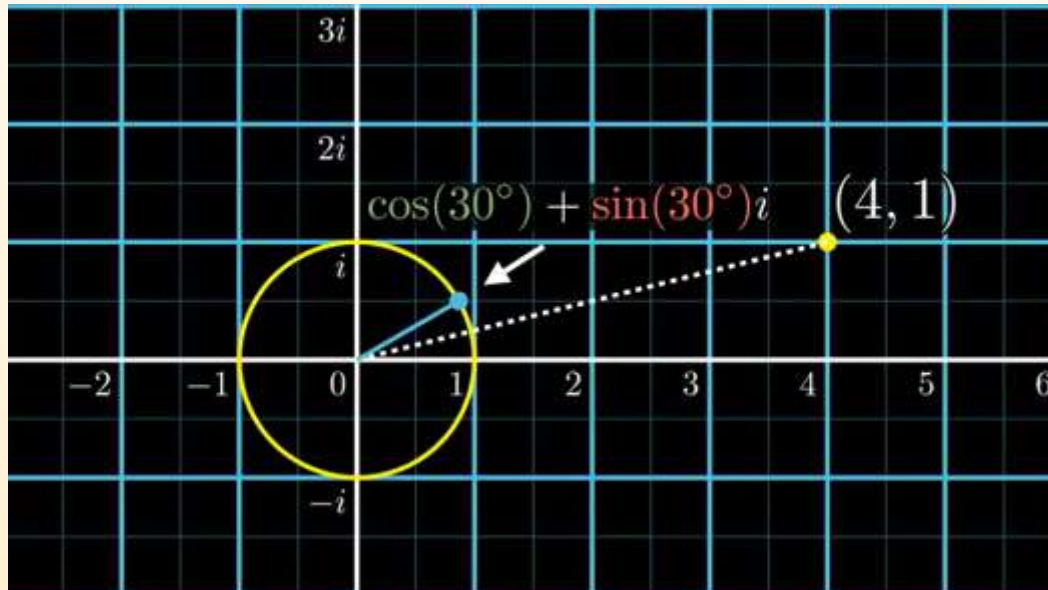


Matrix form of Z1



Vector form of Z2

- 2D Rotation: For example, the vector  $(4,1)$  will counterclockwise 30 degrees.



- First, convert  $(4,1)$  to  $4+1*I$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (\cos(30^\circ) + \sin(30^\circ)i)(4 + 1i) \\ &= (4 \cos(30^\circ) - 1 \sin(30^\circ)) + (1 \cos(30^\circ) + 4 \sin(30^\circ))i \\ &\approx 2.96 + 2.87i \end{aligned}$$

# Quaternion

Quaternions:  $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$

$$q = \underbrace{a}_{\text{Scalar part}} + \underbrace{bi + cj + dk}_{\text{Imaginary part or Vector part}}$$

Scalar  
part

Imaginary  
part or  
Vector  
part

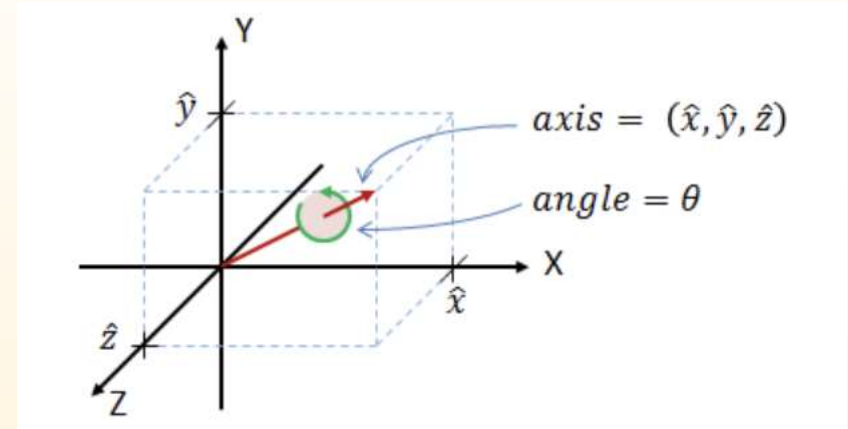
Multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned} q_1 q_2 &= (a + bi + cj + dk)(e + fi + gj + hk) \\ &= (ae - bf - cg - dh) + \\ &\quad (be + af - dg + ch)i + \\ &\quad (ce + df + ag - bh)j + \\ &\quad (de - cf + bg + ah)k. \end{aligned}$$

$$q_1 q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b & -c & -d \\ b & a & -d & c \\ c & d & a & -b \\ d & -c & b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \\ g \\ h \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Axis-Angle Representation of 3D Rotations

- According to Euler's rotation theorem, any 3D rotation (or sequence of rotations) can be specified using two parameters: a unit vector that defines an axis of rotation; and an angle  $\theta$  describing the magnitude of the rotation about that axis.



- An axis-angle rotation can therefore be represented by four numbers as

$$(\theta, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$$

$(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$  is a unit vector that defines the axis of rotation

$\theta$  is the amount of rotation around  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$

## Convert Axis-Angle to Quaternion

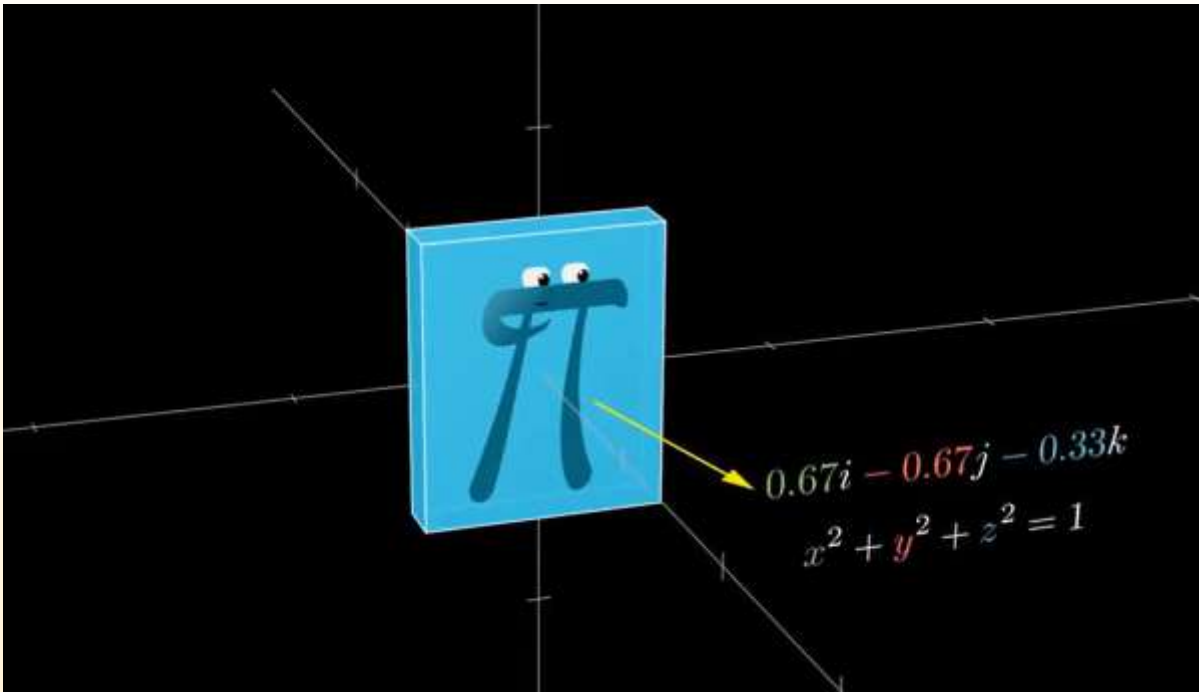
If we know the axis-angle components  $(\theta, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ , we can convert to a rotation quaternion  $q$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q} = (q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3) \quad q_0 &= \cos \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ q_1 &= \hat{x} \sin \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ q_2 &= \hat{y} \sin \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ q_3 &= \hat{z} \sin \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$



## Using Quaternion to handle

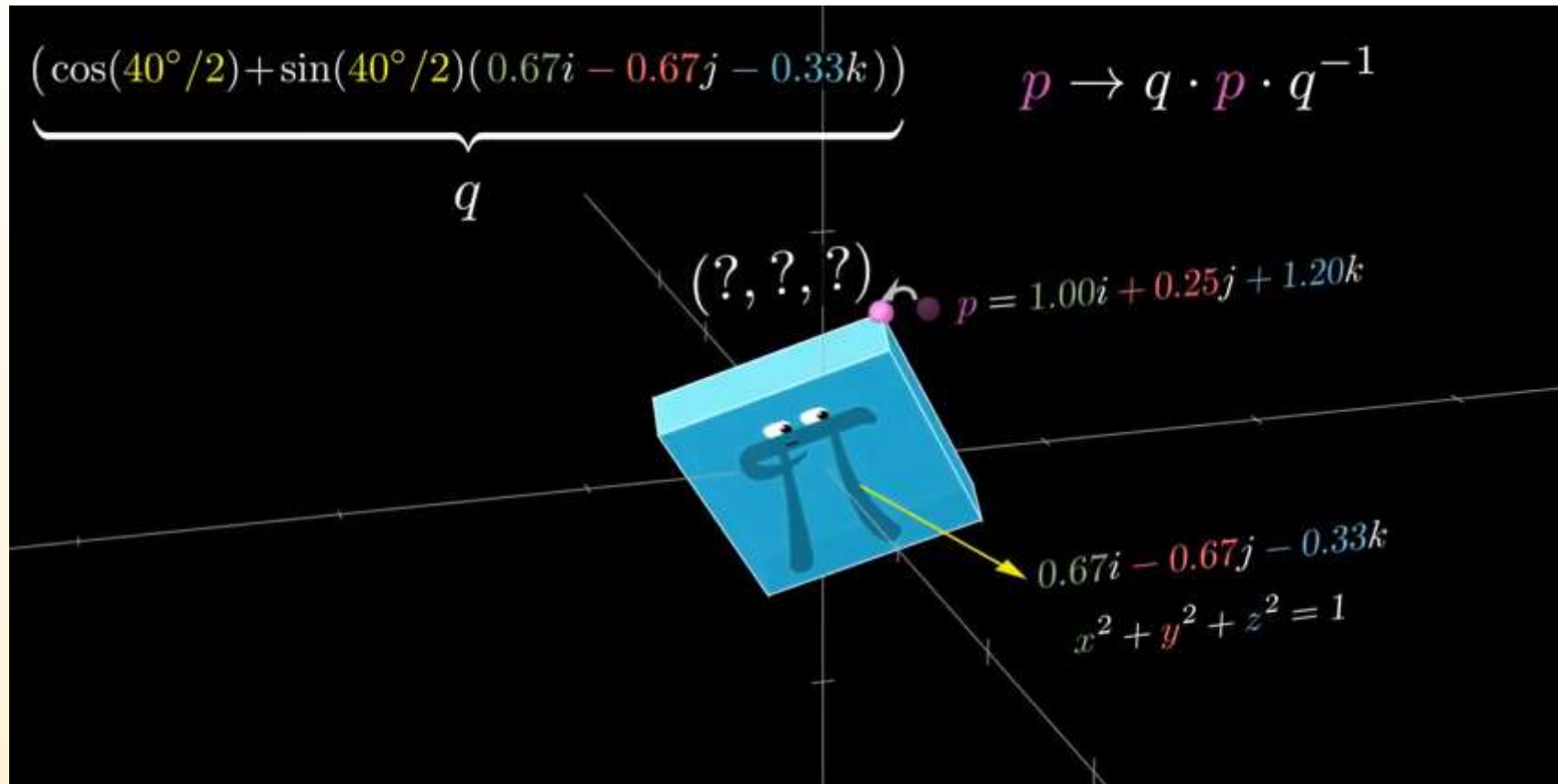
### ➤ 3D Rotation



You first define that axis with a unit vector which will write as having i, j, and k components normalized so that the sum of the squares of those components is 1

Second, convert Axis-Angle to Quaternion

$$\underbrace{(\cos(40^\circ/2) + \sin(40^\circ/2)(0.67i - 0.67j - 0.33k))}_{q}$$



Rotation of  $p = q \cdot p \cdot q^{-1}$

- Single-axis rotations (use Euler)
- Two-axis rotations(use Euler)
- 3-axis rotations(use quaternion)
  1. No gimbal lock/changing axes.
  2. Interpolation is smooth and direct.
  3. Simple to do calculations with

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