

Chapter 3: Euclidean Geometry

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1 Isometries of \mathbb{R}^3

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Consider

$$\begin{aligned} |C(p+a) - C(p) - C(a)|^2 &= C(p+a) \cdot C(p+a) + C(p) \cdot C(p) + C(a) \cdot C(a) \\ &\quad - 2C(p+a) \cdot C(p) - 2C(p+a) \cdot C(a) + 2C(p) \cdot C(a) \\ &= (p+a)^2 + p^2 + a^2 - 2(p+a)p - 2(p+a)a + 2pa \\ &= p^2 + 2pa + a^2 + p^2 + a^2 - 2p^2 - 2pa - 2pa - 2a^2 + 2pa \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $C(p+a) = C(p)+C(a)$. It follows that $CT_a(p) = C(p+a) = C(p)+C(a) = T_{C(a)}C(p)$ ■