

general rotations

# Rotation

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# Rotation about an arbitrary axis

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Rotating about an axis by theta degrees

- Rotate about x to bring axis to xz plane
- Rotate about y to align axis with z -axis
- Rotate theta degrees about z
- Unrotate about y, unrotate about x

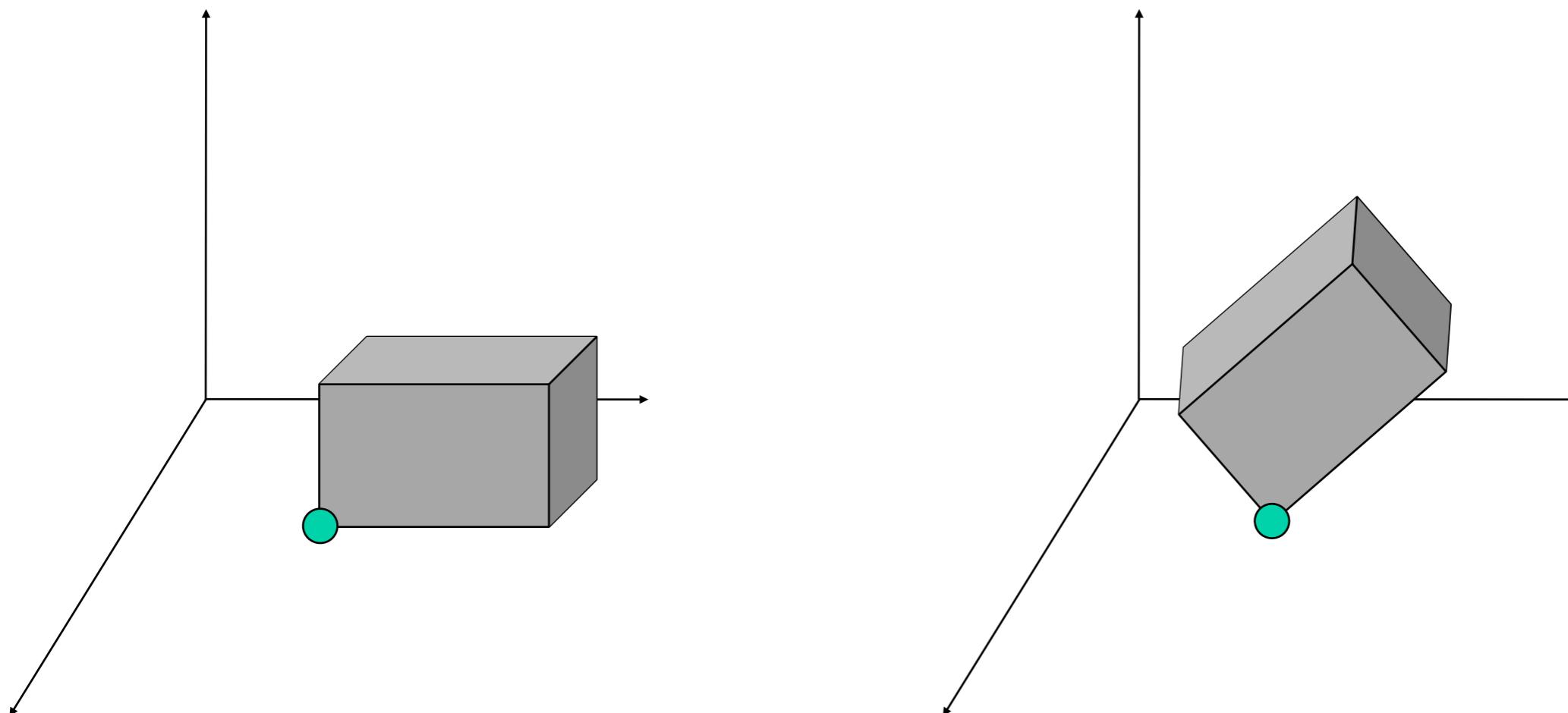
$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{R}_x^{-1} \mathbf{R}_y^{-1} \mathbf{R}_z(\theta) \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{R}_x$$

- Can you determine the values of Rx and Ry?

# Composite Transformations

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- Rotating about a fixed point
  - **basic** rotation alone will rotate about origin but we want:

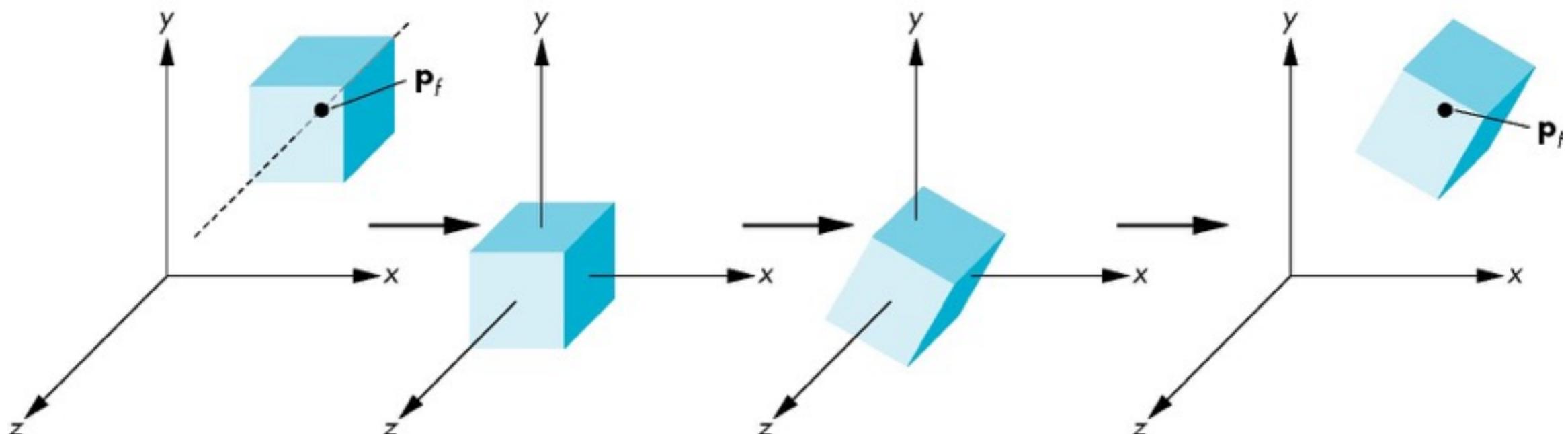


# Composite Transformations

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- Rotating about a fixed point
- Move fixed point  $(px, py, pz)$  to origin
- Rotate by desired amount
- Move fixed point back to original position

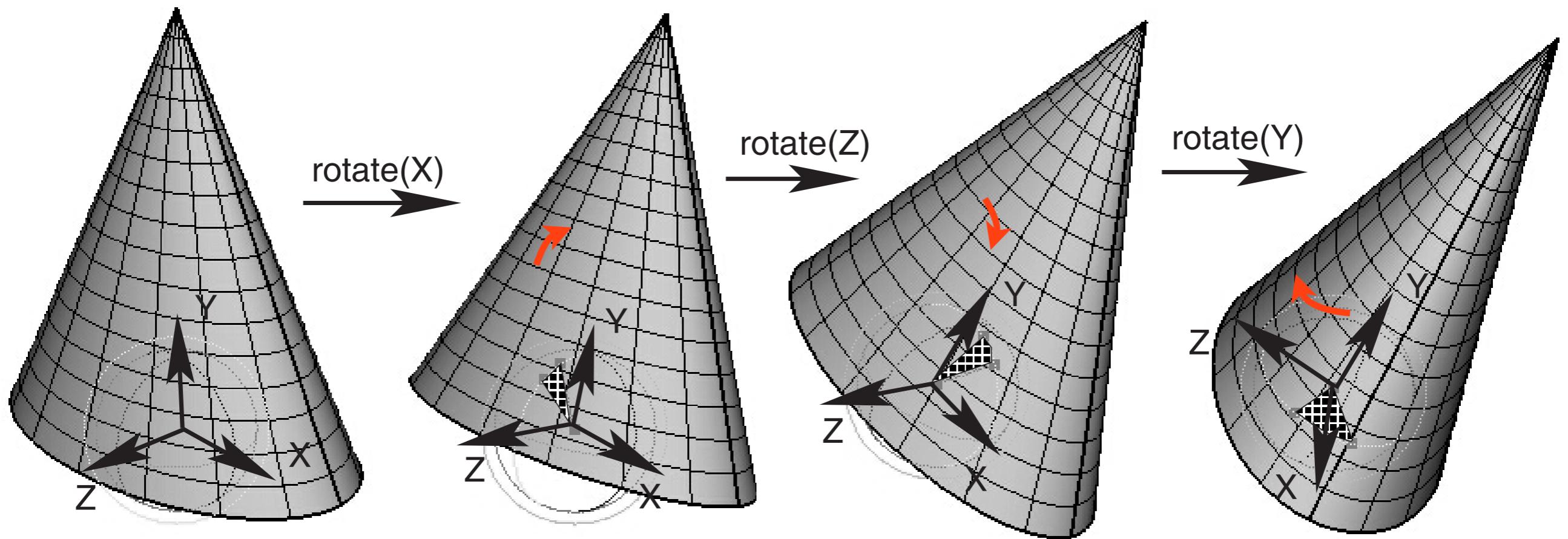
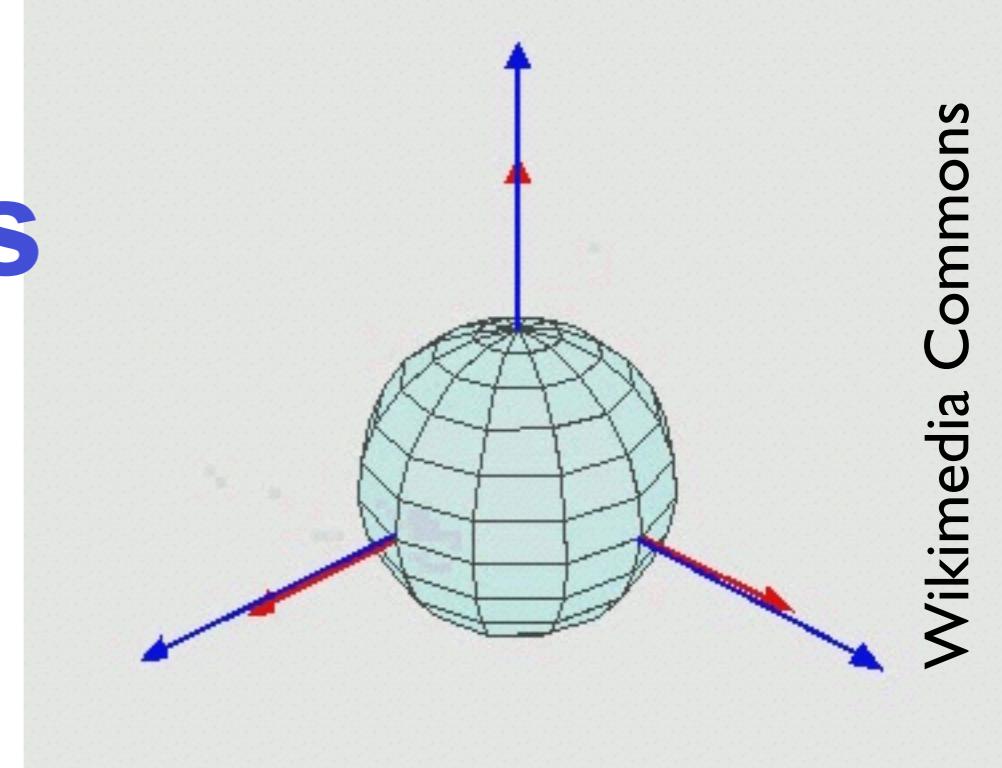
$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{T}(px, py, pz) \mathbf{R}_z(\theta) \mathbf{T}(-px, -py, -pz)$$



euler angles

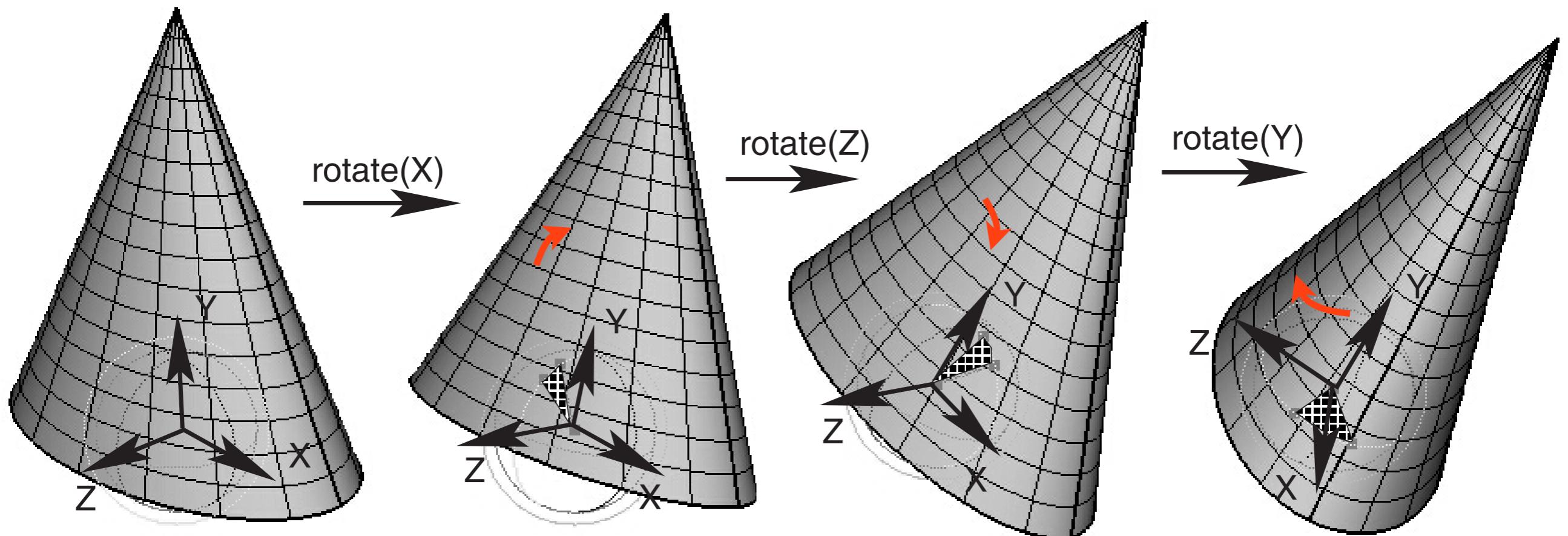
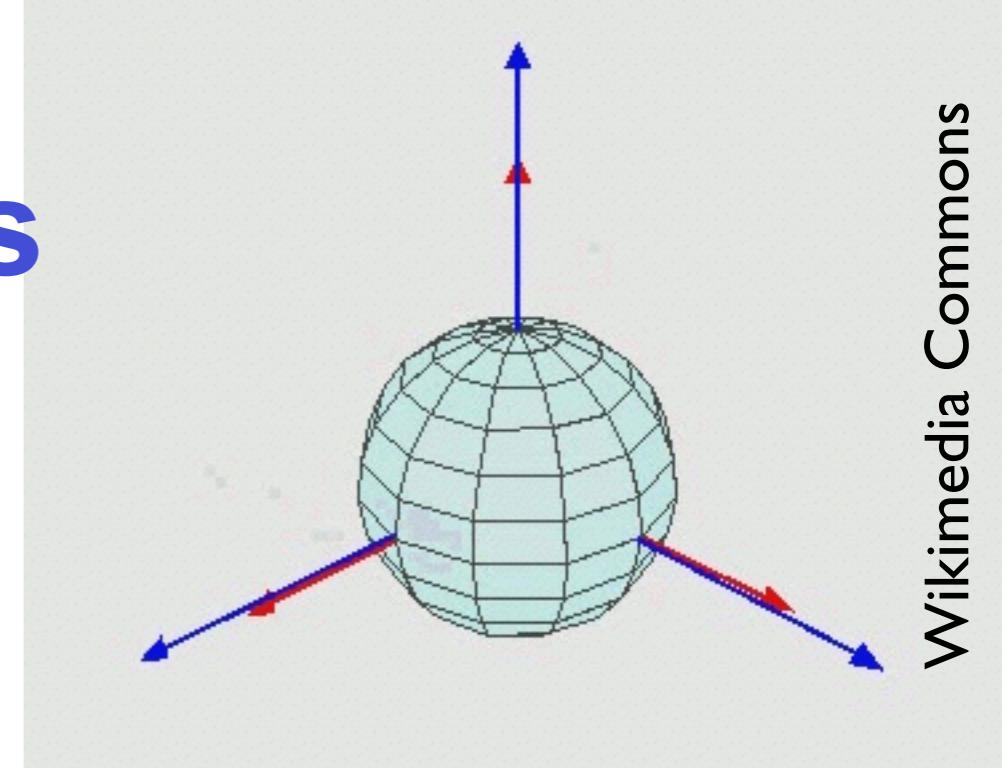
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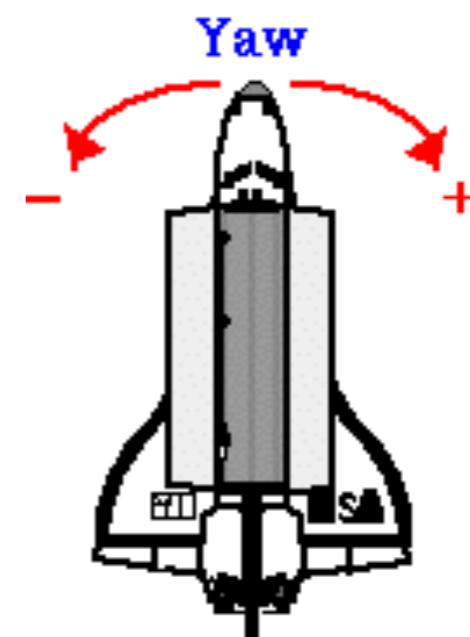
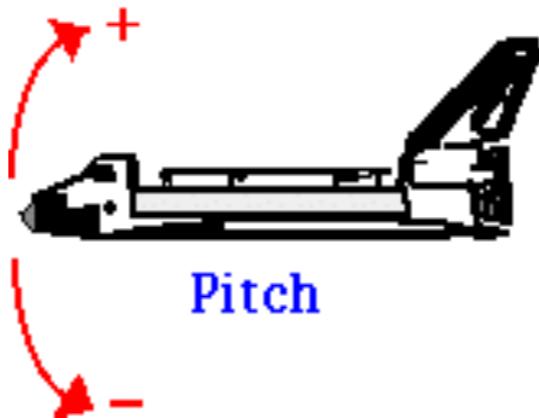
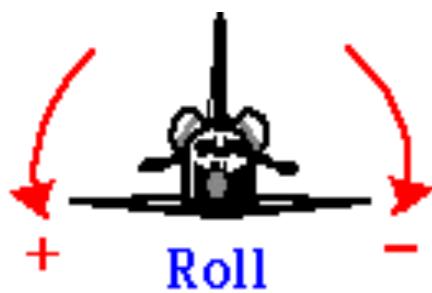
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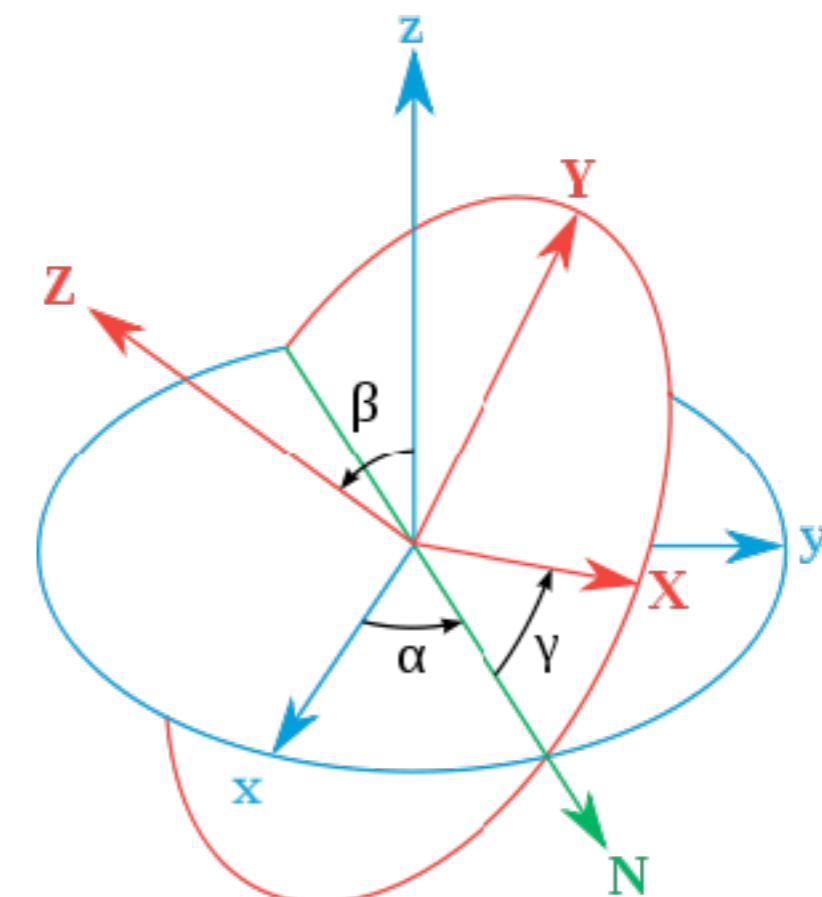
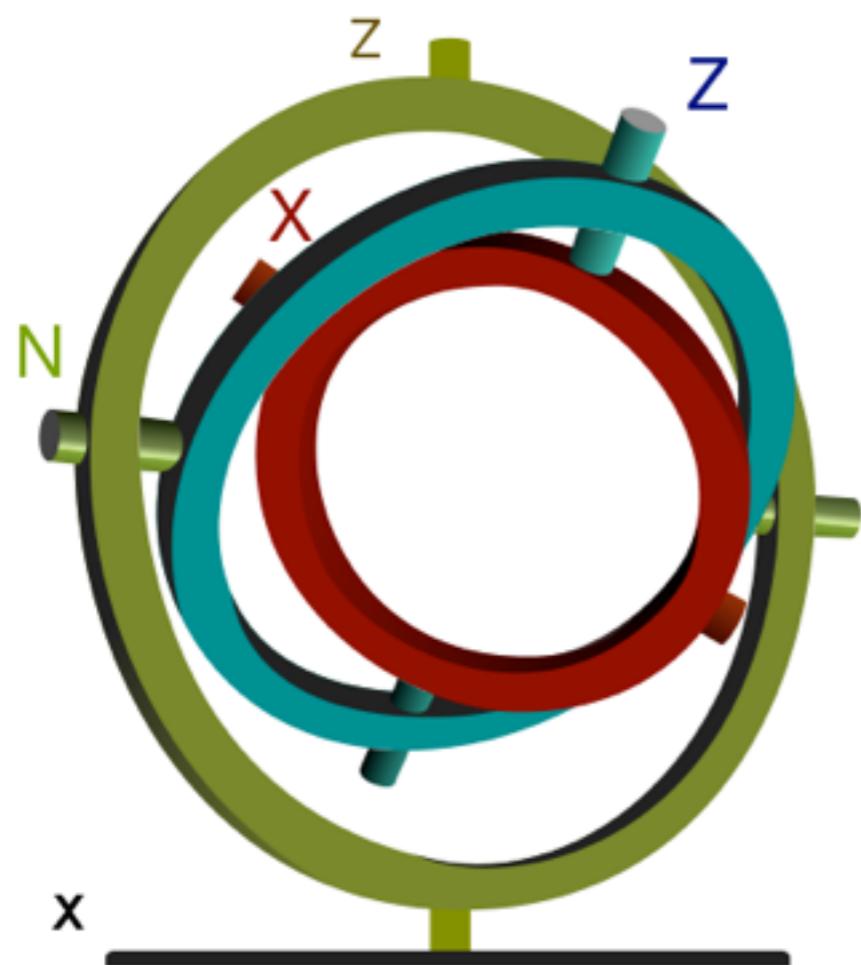
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- A general rotation is a combination of three elementary rotations:
  - around the x-axis (roll)
  - around the y-axis (pitch)
  - around the z-axis (yaw)

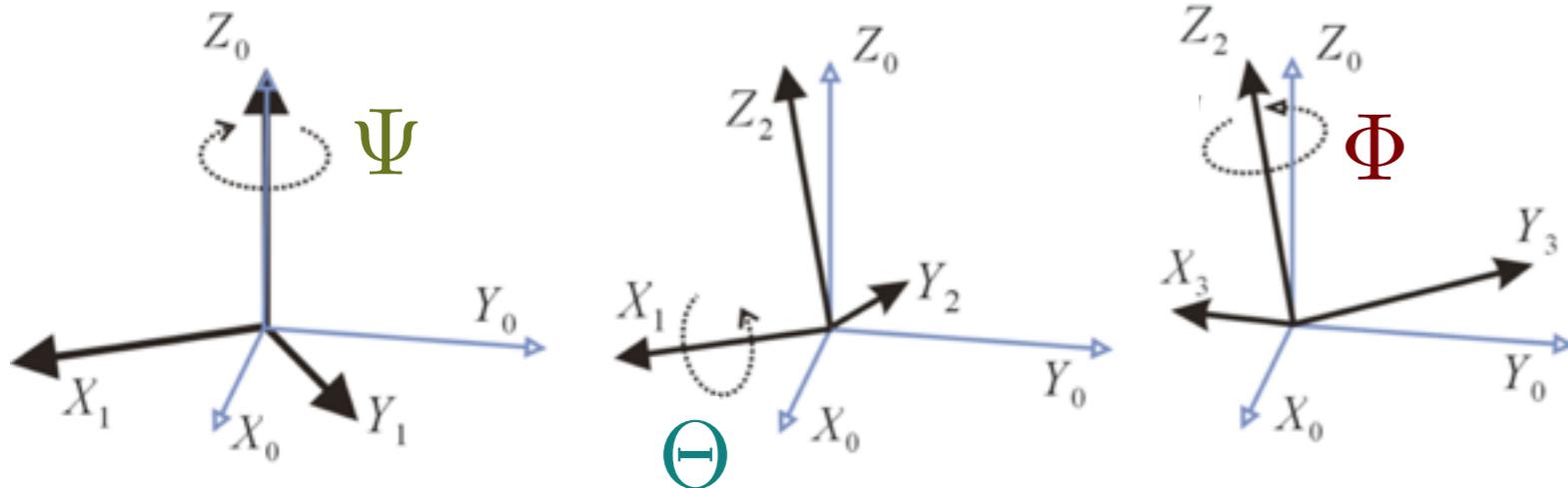


# Gimbal and Euler Angles

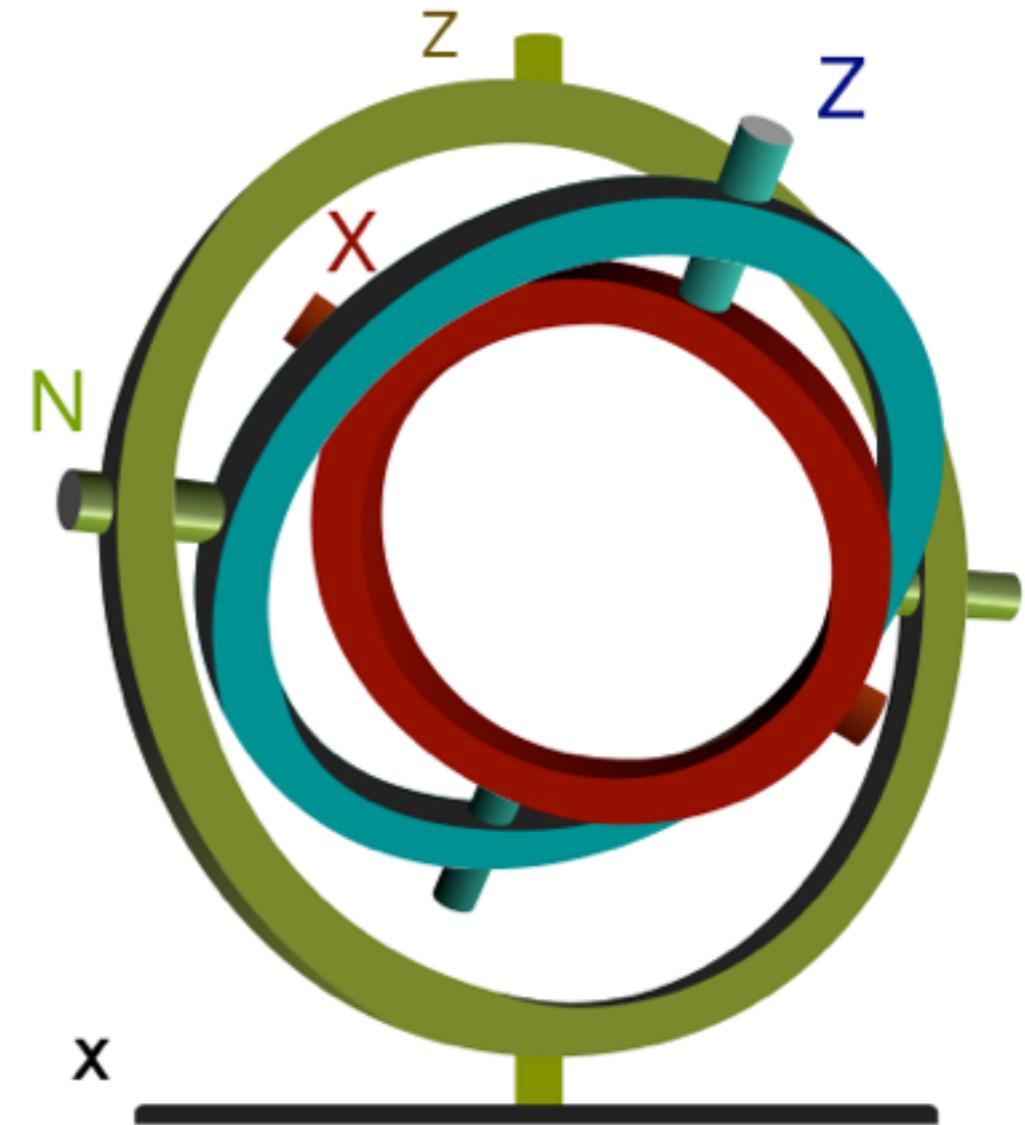
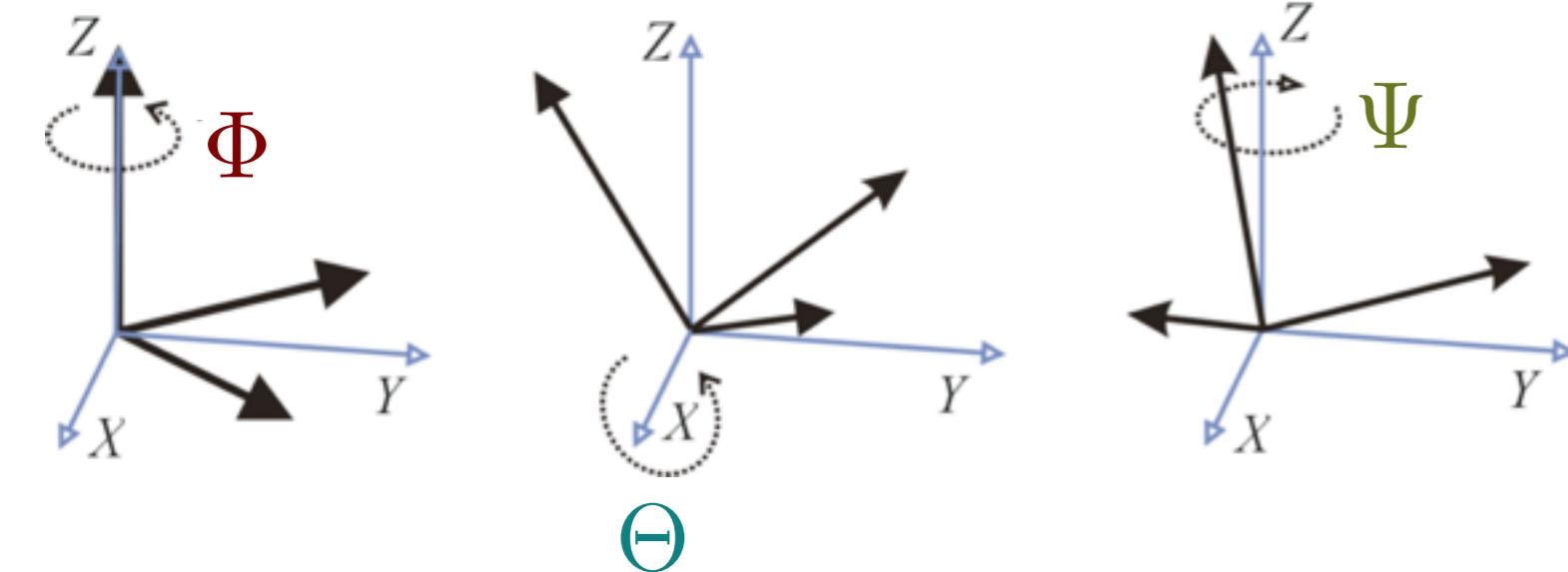


Z-X'-Z''

# intrinsic



# extrinsic



# Euler Angles and Rotation Matrices

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$$\text{x-roll}(\theta_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{y-pitch}(\theta_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & 0 & \sin \theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{z-yaw}(\theta_3) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_3 & \cos \theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) = \begin{pmatrix} c_2 c_3 & -c_2 s_3 & s_2 & 0 \\ s_1 s_2 c_3 + c_1 s_3 & -s_1 s_2 s_3 + c_1 c_3 & -s_1 c_2 & 0 \\ -c_1 s_2 c_3 + s_1 s_3 & c_1 s_2 s_3 + s_1 c_3 & c_1 c_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Interpolating Rotations

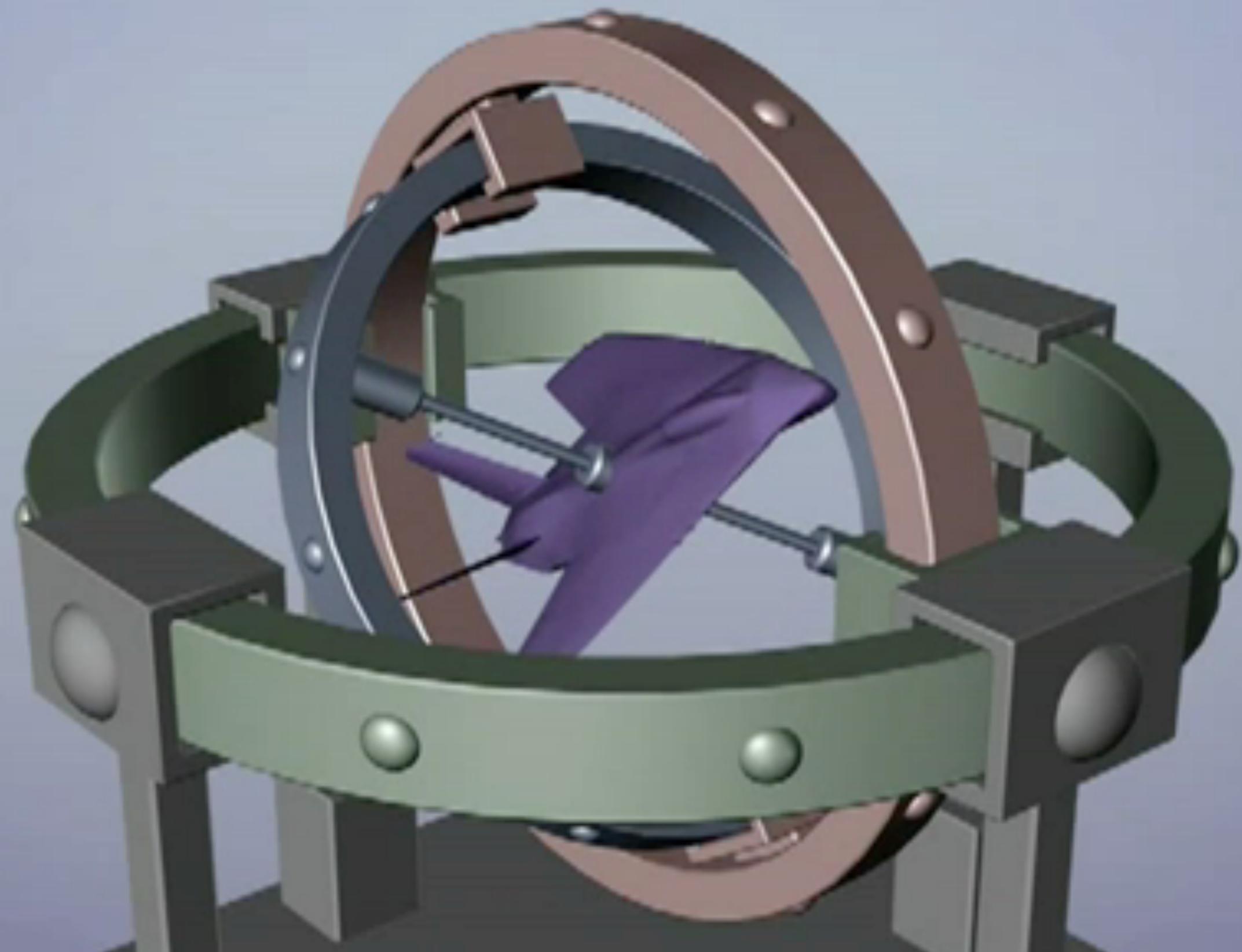
- naive element-by-element interpolation of rotation matrices does not work! E.g.,

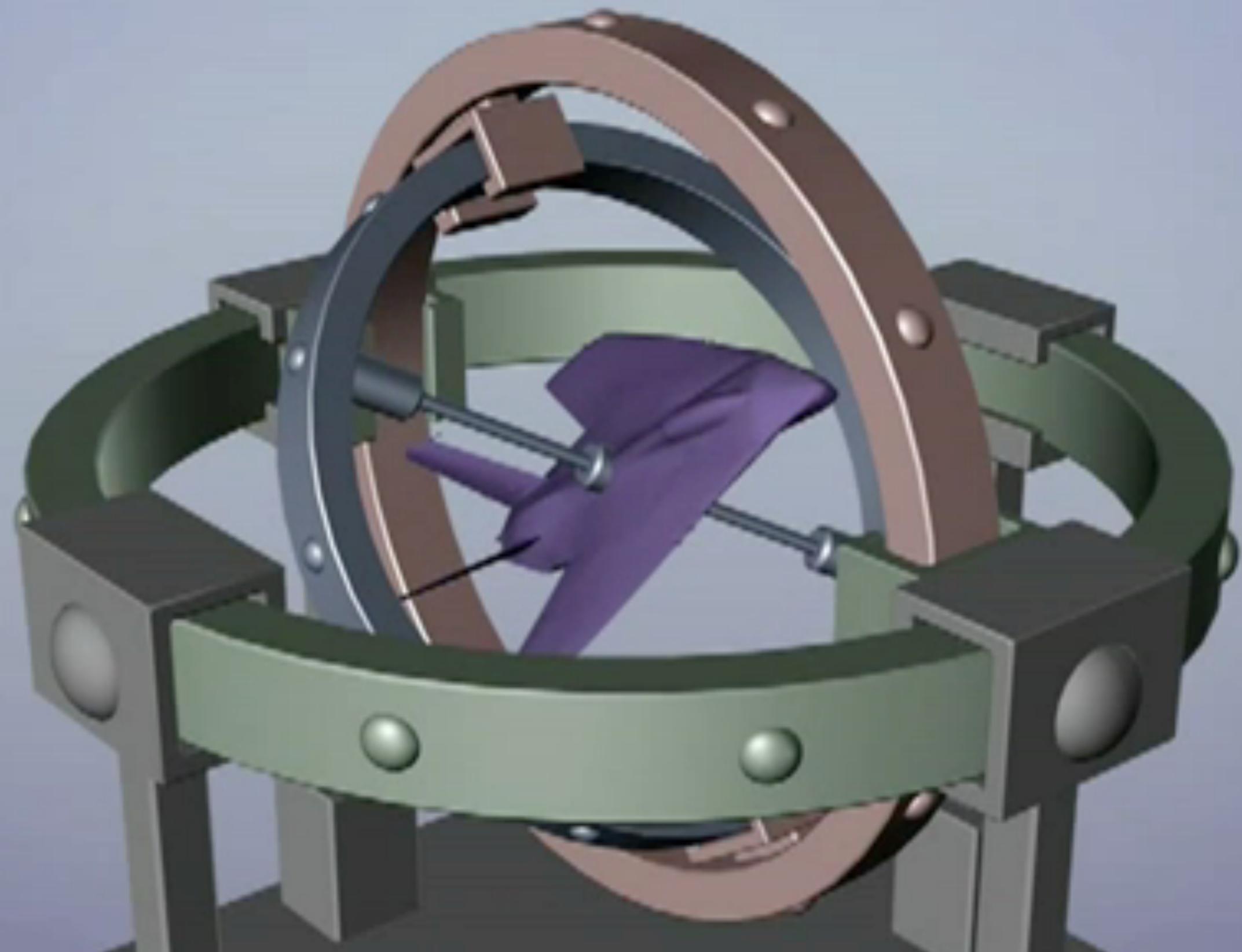
$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

90 CW

90 CCW

- We can interpolate Euler angles, but there is a problem known as **Gimbal Lock**





The flywheel

# quaternions

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

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

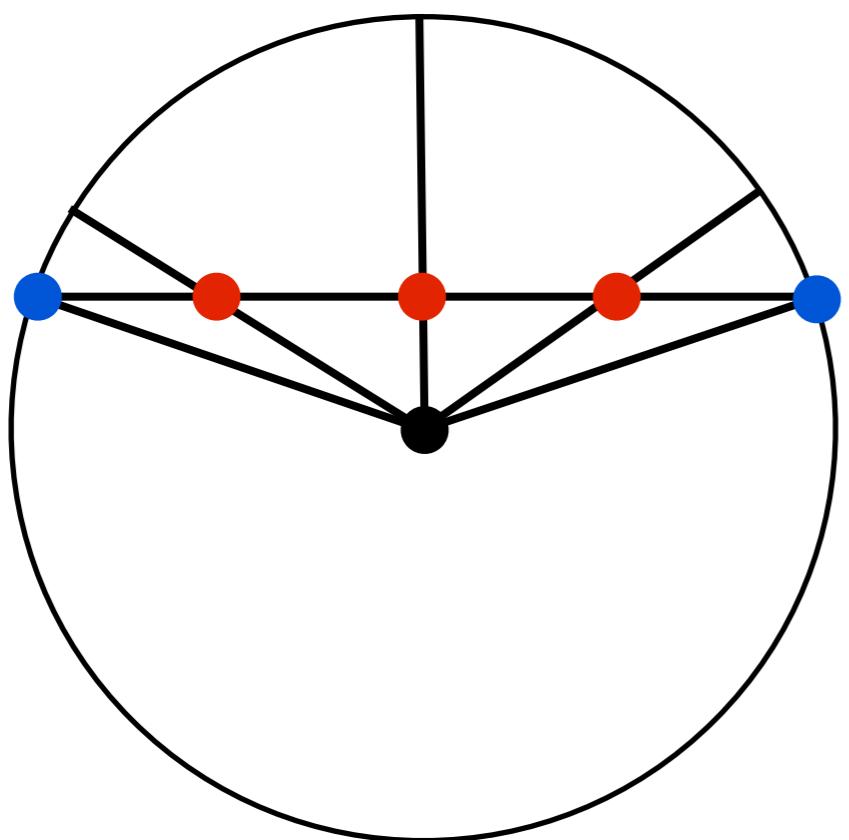
Cut on a stone of U.S. lime

# Quaternions

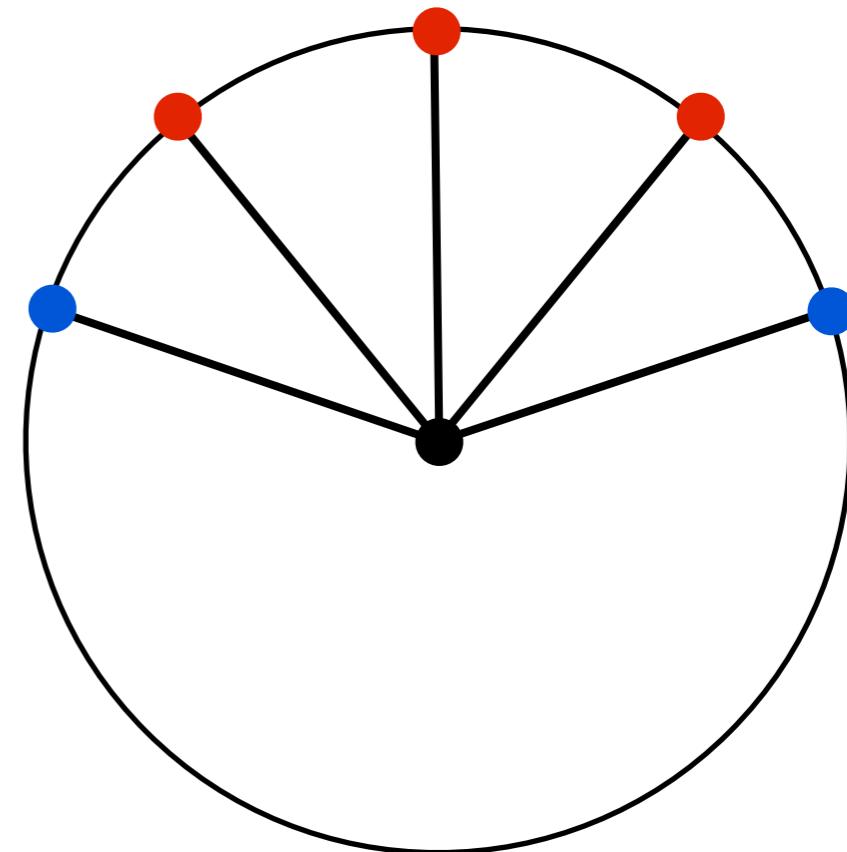
- axis/angle representation
- interpolates smoothly
- easy to compose

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# Quaternion Interpolation



linear  
non-uniform speed



spherical linear  
(slerp)  
constant speed

# Matrix form

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$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2y^2 - 2z^2 & 2xy + 2wz & 2xz - 2wy & 0 \\ 2xy - 2wz & 1 - 2x^2 - 2z^2 & 2yz + 2wx & 0 \\ 2xz + 2wy & 2yz - 2wx & 1 - 2x^2 - 2y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Rotations in Reality

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- It's easiest to express rotations in Euler angles or Axis/angle
- We can convert to/from any of these representations
- Choose the best representation for the task
  - input:Euler angles
  - interpolation: quaternions
  - composing rotations: quaternions, orientation matrix