

Essential Math for CIS

Part 2: Transformations and Frames of Reference

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Matrices

An ordered table of numbers (or sub-tables)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{columns} \\
 \swarrow \quad | \quad \searrow \\
 \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{20} & a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
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 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \text{Rows}
 \end{array}$$

Product : $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{BA} \neq \mathbf{AB}$,

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \overrightarrow{a_{00}} & \overrightarrow{a_{01}} \\ \overrightarrow{a_{10}} & \overrightarrow{a_{11}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \downarrow b_{00} & b_{01} \\ \downarrow b_{10} & b_{11} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} * b_{00} + a_{01} * b_{10} & a_{00} * b_{01} + a_{01} * b_{11} \\ a_{10} * b_{00} + a_{11} * b_{10} & a_{10} * b_{01} + a_{11} * b_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Identity : } \mathbf{I}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Addition (+)

Definition:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x & u \\ y & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+x & c+u \\ b+y & d+v \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties:

1. Closed result is always a matrix
2. Commutative $A+B = B+A$
3. Associative $(A+B)+C = A+(B+C)$
4. Identity $A+0 = A$ (null matrix)
5. Inverse $A+A^{-}=0$ (negated matrix)



Matrix Multiplication (*)

Definition:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x & u \\ y & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax+cy & au+cv \\ bx+dy & bu+dv \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -37 \\ 6 & -46 \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties:

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Closed | result is always a matrix |
| 2. NOT Commutative | $A*B \neq B*A$ |
| 3. Associative | $(A*B)*C = A*(B*C)$ |
| 4. Identity | $A*I = A$ (identity matrix) |
| 5. Inverse | $A*A^{-1} = I$ (difficult to obtain!) |

Distributive from either side

$$(A+B)C = AC + BC$$

$$C(A+B) = CA + CB$$



Vector is a special matrix

Examples:

$v=[x,y,z]$ row vector, 1x3 matrix

$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ column vector, 2x1 matrix



Vector addition: just like adding matrices

Column vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x & u \\ y & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+x & c+u \\ b+y & d+v \end{bmatrix}$$

Row vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x & u \\ y & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+x & c+u \\ b+y & d+v \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector* Matrix Multiplication:

just like multiplying matrices

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = [x_1, y_1]$$

Row vector on the left

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

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \overrightarrow{[x_1, y_1]} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \downarrow = [ax_1 + by_1, cx_1 + dy_1]$$

Result is a new row vector

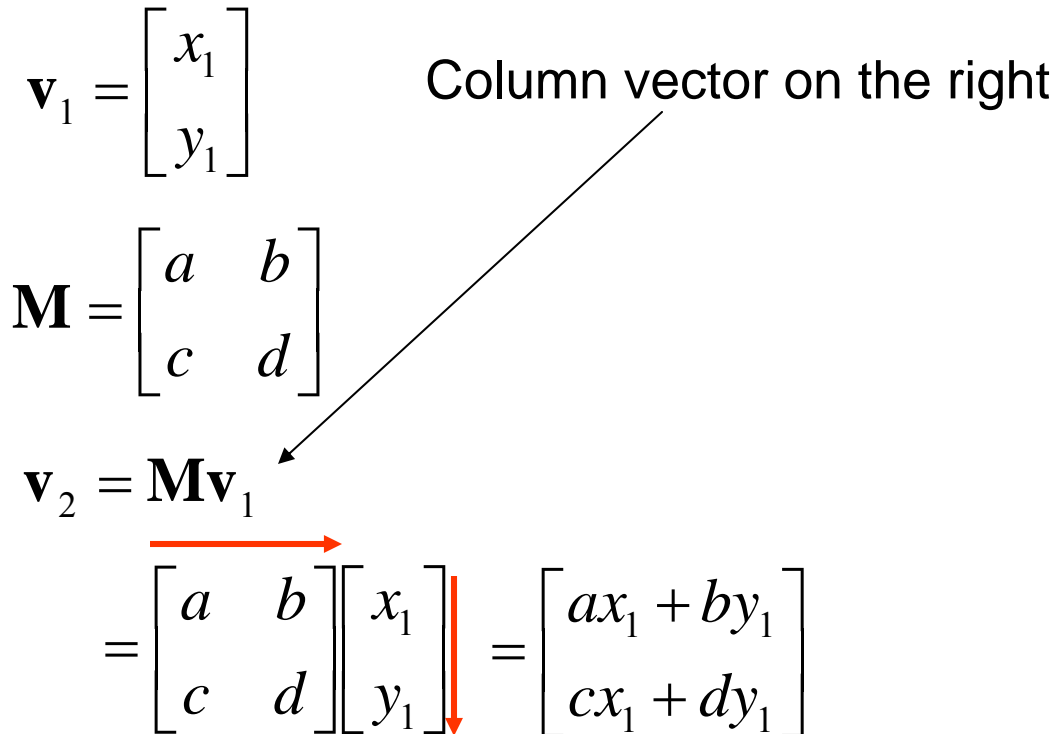


Matrix*Vector Multiplication:

just like multiplying matrices

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Column vector on the right

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}_1$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax_1 + by_1 \\ cx_1 + dy_1 \end{bmatrix}$$


Result is a new column vector



Matrix*Vector Multiplication(example)

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_2 &= \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5*1+1*2 \\ 2*1+3*2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



Matrices as transformations

Matrix-vector multiplication creates a new vector.

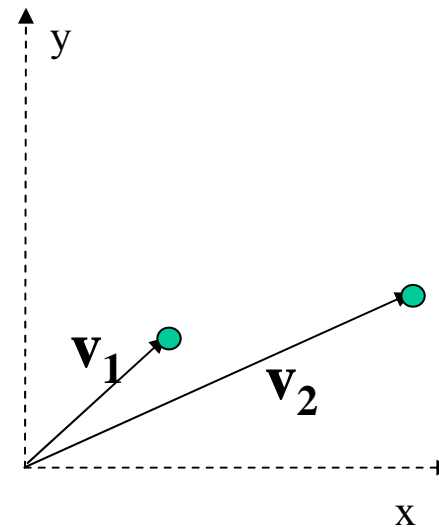
New vector means new location in space.

If all points of an object is multiplied by a matrix, then the whole object assumes a new position (and may be new shape and size, too). This is called transformation.

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}_1$$



Matrices as transformations (examples)

Transform 4 points $[0,0]$, $[1,0]$, $[1,1]$, $[0,1]$ using the matrix M .

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

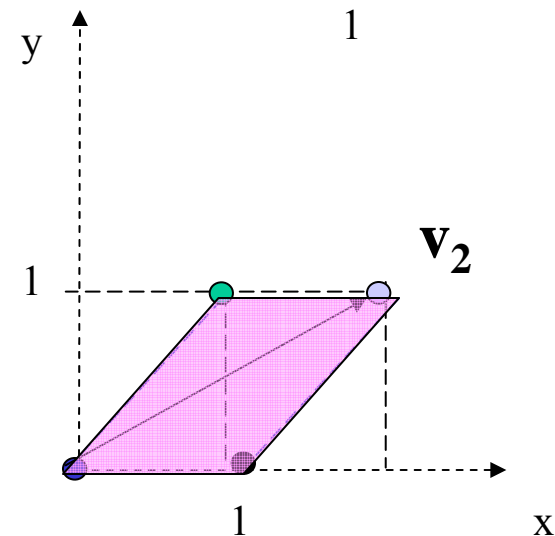
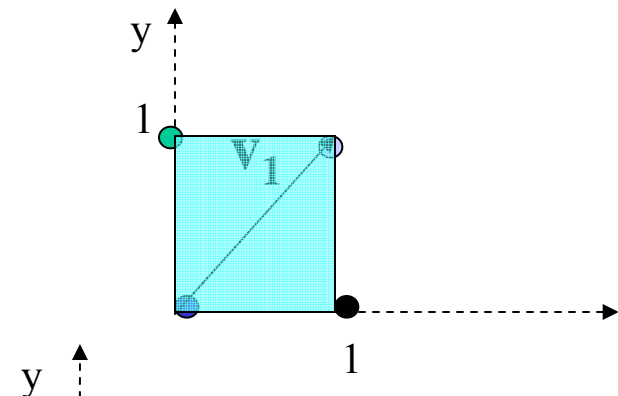
$$\mathbf{v}_2 = M\mathbf{v}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Scaling

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{v}_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5*1+0*2 \\ 0*1+2*2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 \\ 0 & s_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/s_x & 0 \\ 0 & 1/s_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S} * \mathbf{S}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z \end{bmatrix}$$

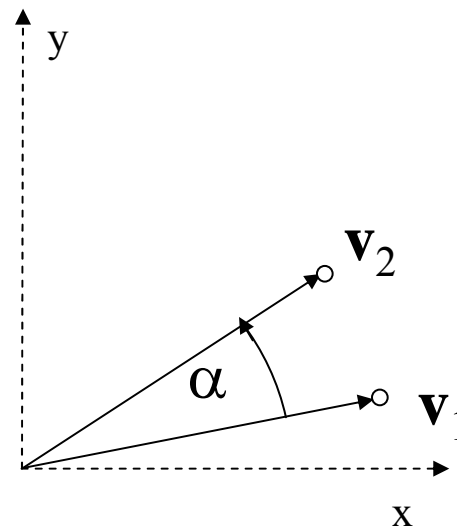
3D scaling matrix



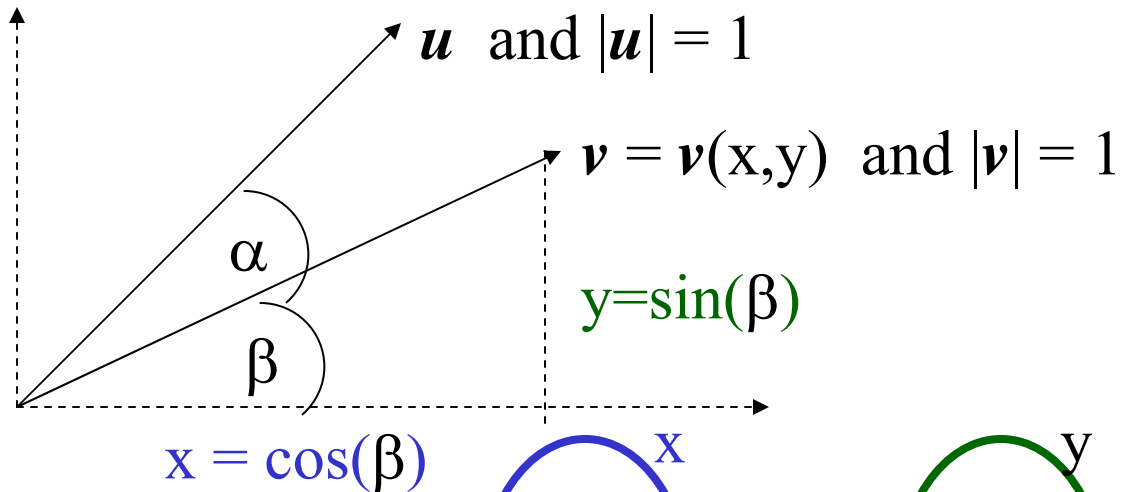
Rotation

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{R}_\alpha \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{R}_{-\alpha} \mathbf{v}_2$$



Rotation Matrix



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha + \beta) \\ \sin(\alpha + \beta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) - \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta) \\ \sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta) + \cos(\alpha) \sin(\beta) \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R}_\alpha \vec{v} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse of Rotation Matrix

$$R_{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{orange arrow}} R_{-\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\alpha) & -\sin(-\alpha) \\ \sin(-\alpha) & \cos(-\alpha) \end{bmatrix} =$$
$$R_{-\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & \sin(\alpha) \\ -\sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{\alpha}^{-1} = R_{-\alpha} \quad \text{The proof:} \quad R_{\alpha} * R_{-\alpha} = I$$

Series of Rotations

$$R_{(\alpha+\beta+\gamma)} = R_{\alpha} R_{\beta} R_{\gamma}$$



3D Rotation Matrices

Rotation by α around z axis

$$R_{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) & 0 \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = R_{\alpha} \mathbf{v}_1$$

When applied on vector \mathbf{v}_1 , it does not change z coordinate. Try it!

Rotation around all axes

$$R_x(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ 0 & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_y(\beta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & -\sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_z(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma & 0 \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

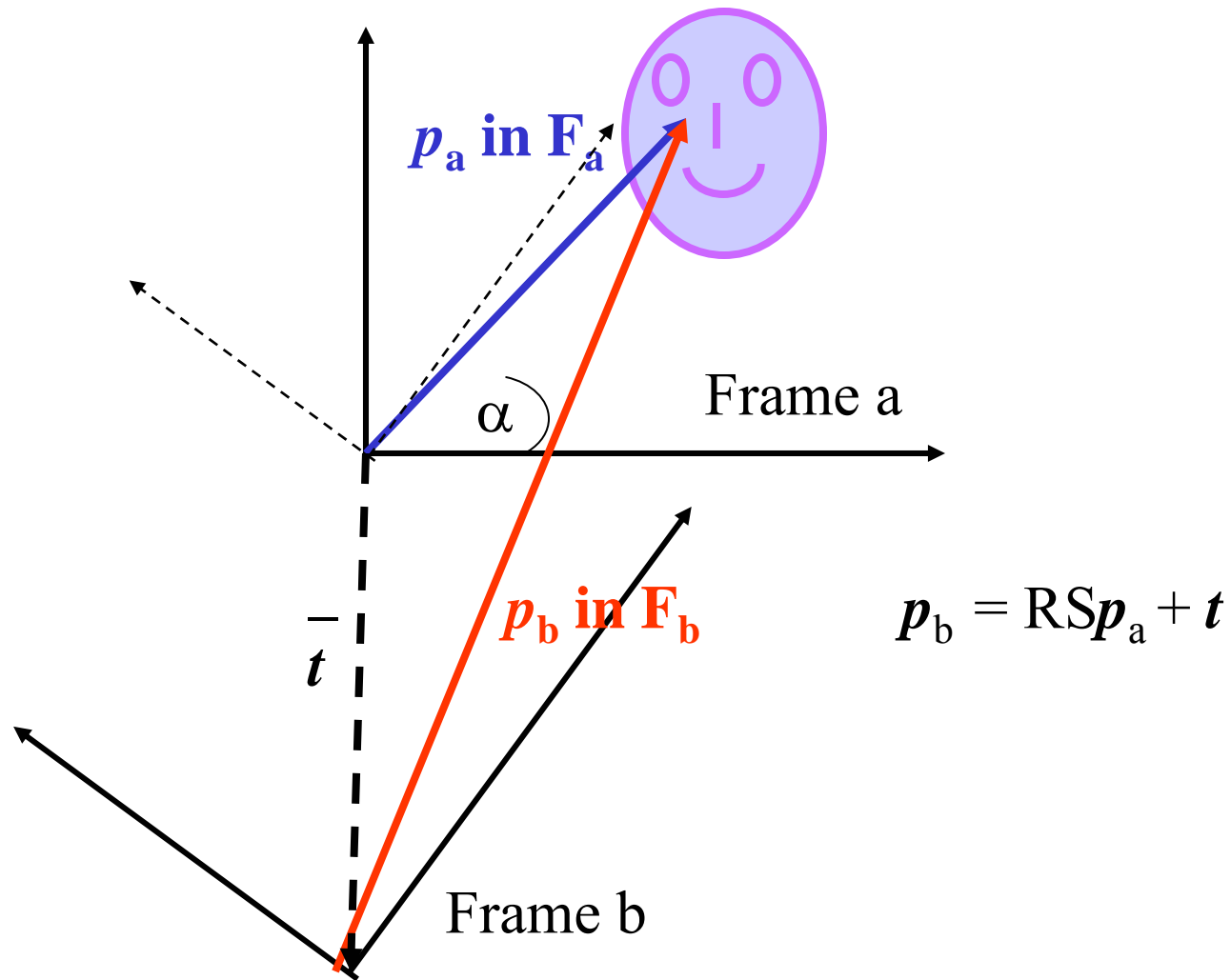


Rotation Matrix: example

$$\mathbf{R}_{60} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Passage from reference system to another



(1) scale, (2) rotate, and (3) translate to go from F_a to F_b

Change of reference systems backwards (inverse transform)

$$\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a + \mathbf{t} \quad //\text{subtract } \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_b - \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a \quad //\text{left multiply by } \mathbf{R}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{p}_b - \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a \quad //\text{left multiply by } \mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{p}_b - \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{p}_a$$

Slight problem: mixes translation vector with matrices...

Solution: make \mathbf{t} translation vector appear as matrix \mathbf{T} in multiplications. Then the equations will read as:

$$\mathbf{p}_b = (\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a)))$$



Introduce 4x4 Translation Matrix

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & d_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Padding with 1 (If I padded with 0 then inverse would not exist!)

$$Tv = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & d_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x+d_x \\ y+d_y \\ z+d_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem: rotation and scaling matrices must also be padded, so that we can multiply all 4x4 matrices.

Homogeneous Matrices and Translation Vector

Rotation matrix by α around z axis

$$R_{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & -\sin(a) & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(a) & \cos(a) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Translation matrix

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & d_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scaling matrix

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Padding all vectors with 1

$$p_b = (T(R(Sp_a)))$$

Series of transformations

Inverse transformation:

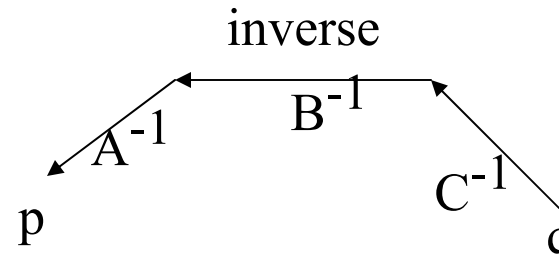
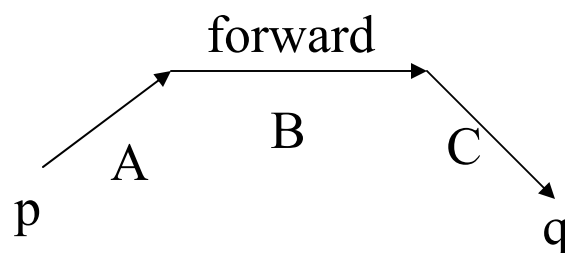
$$\begin{aligned} Ap &= q && // \text{apply } A \text{ on } p \\ A^{-1}Ap &= A^{-1}q && // \text{mult both sides from left by } A^{-1} \\ p &= A^{-1}q && // \text{because } A^{-1}A = I \end{aligned}$$

Series of transformations

$$\begin{aligned} CBAp &= q && // \text{Apply } A, B, \text{ then } C \text{ on } p \\ (C(B(Ap))) &= q && // \text{use associative property} \end{aligned}$$

Inverse of series of transformations

$$\begin{aligned} CBAp &= q && // \text{Apply } A, B, \text{ then } C \text{ on } p \\ A^{-1}B^{-1}C^{-1}q &= p && // \text{multiply by inverse from left} \end{aligned}$$



Inverse of coordinate transformations

$$\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a$$

Multiply from the left by \mathbf{T}^{-1}

$$\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a$$

Multiply from the left by \mathbf{R}^{-1}

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}_a$$

Multiply from the left by \mathbf{S}^{-1}

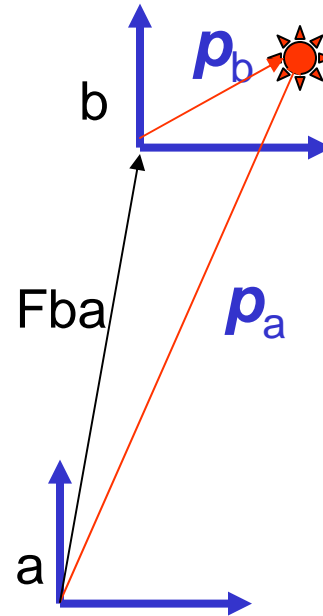
$$\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{p}_a$$



Reference frame transformations

$$\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{R}^* \mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{p}_a$$

$$\mathbf{p}_b = \mathbf{F}_{ba} \mathbf{p}_a$$

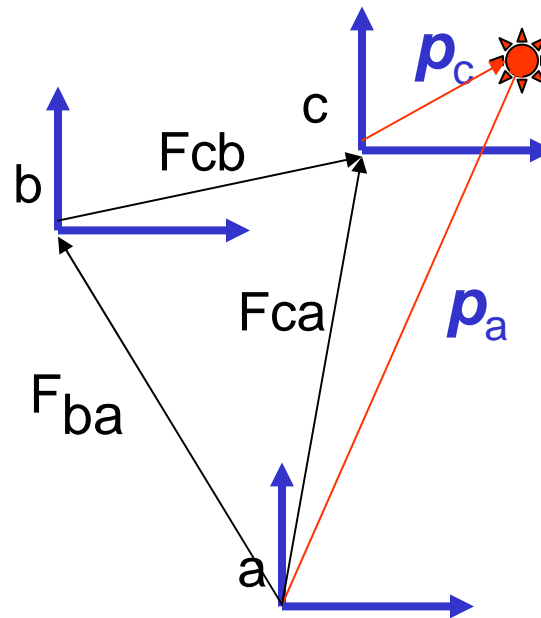


\mathbf{F}_{ba} is often called frame transformation or shortly frame

Series of reference frame transformation

Most real systems involve complicated series of frames, where we traverse from frame to frame...

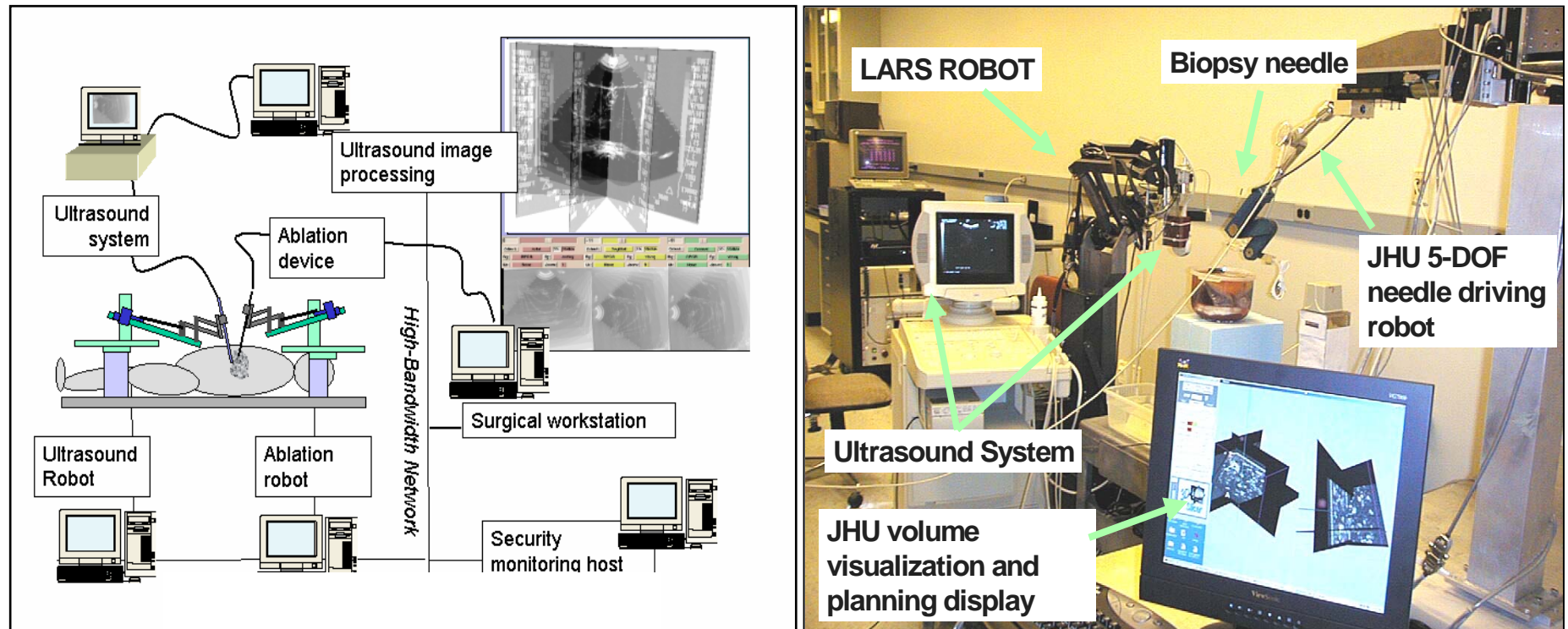
$$p_c = F_{cb} F_{ba} p_a$$



All frames must be known: some of them are measured/calculated during the procedure, some of them are pre-operatively known through “calibration”.

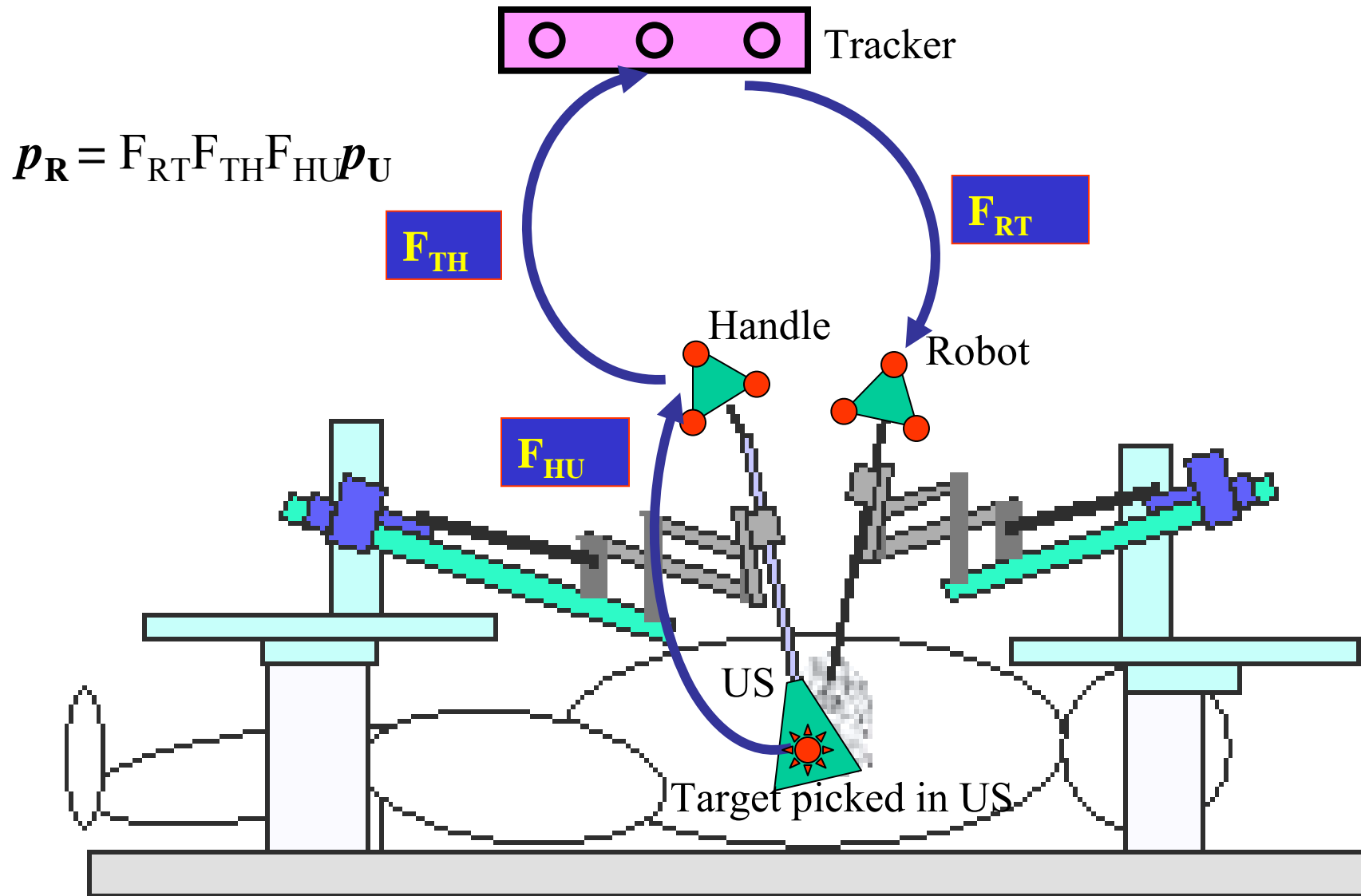
Example: Robot-Assisted Ultrasound-Guided Liver Surgery

R. Taylor, G. Fichtinger, C. Burdette, M. Choti



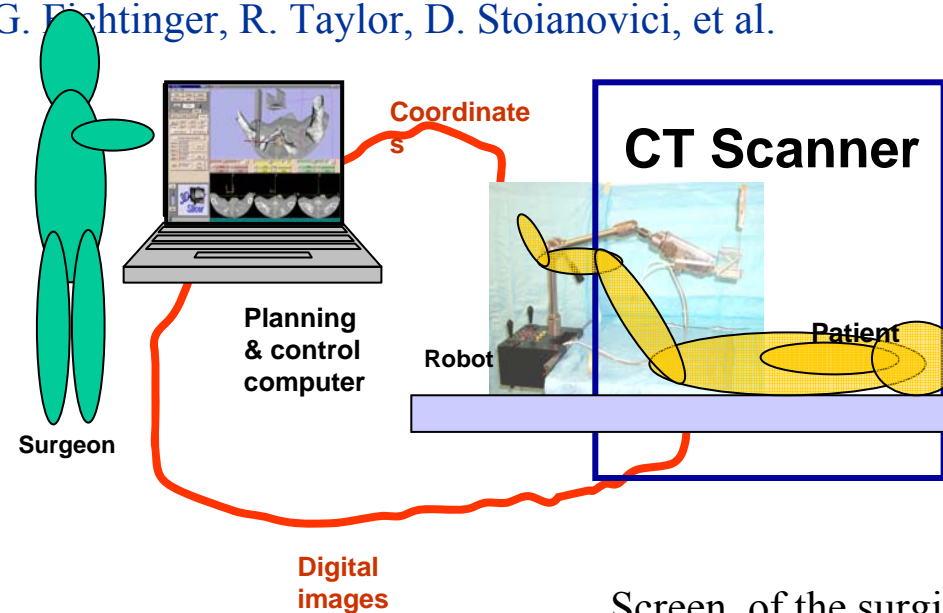
Credit: Emad Bector, doctoral student,

Example cont'd: Some frames in the tracked dual-arm robot system

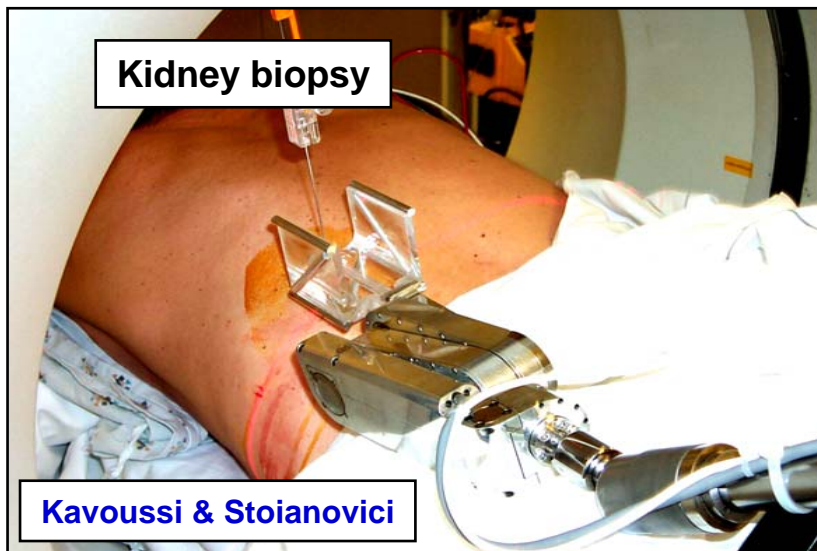


Example: CT-guided Needle Placement with Robot

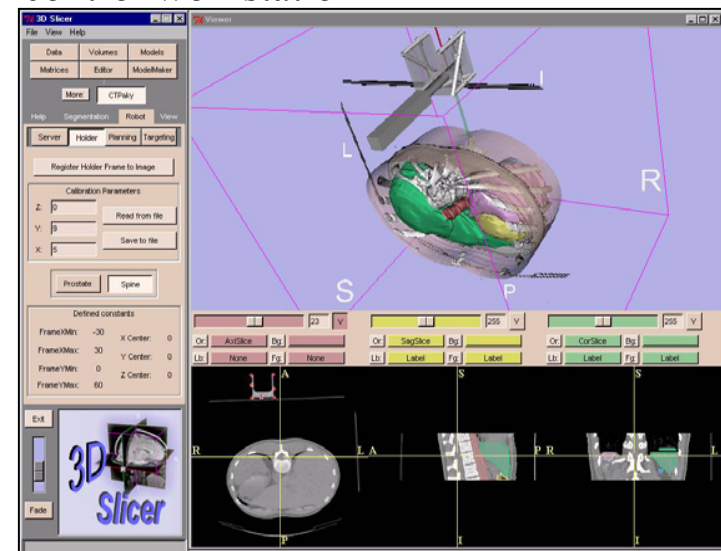
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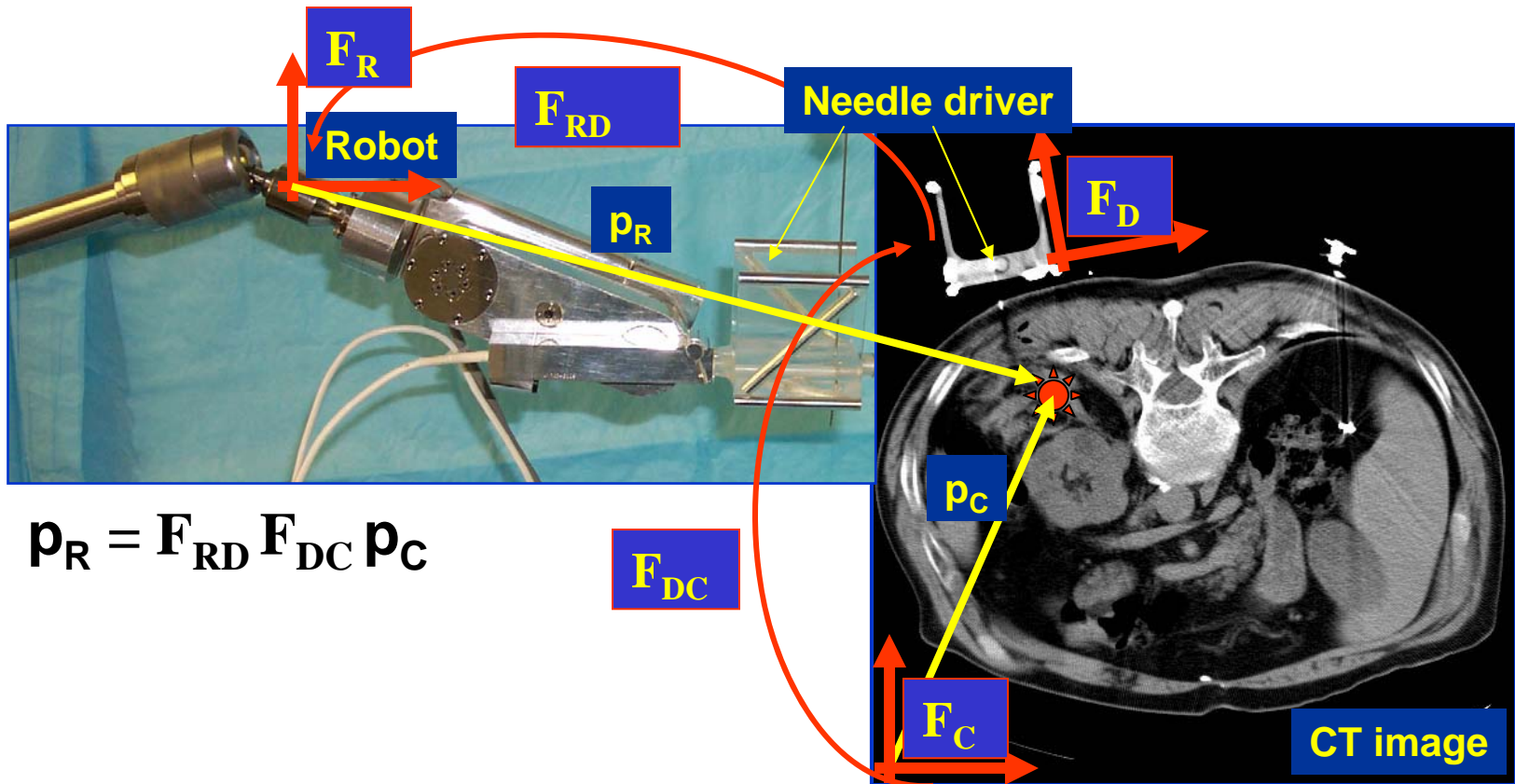
Patient in the scanner with robot



Screen of the surgical planning and control workstation

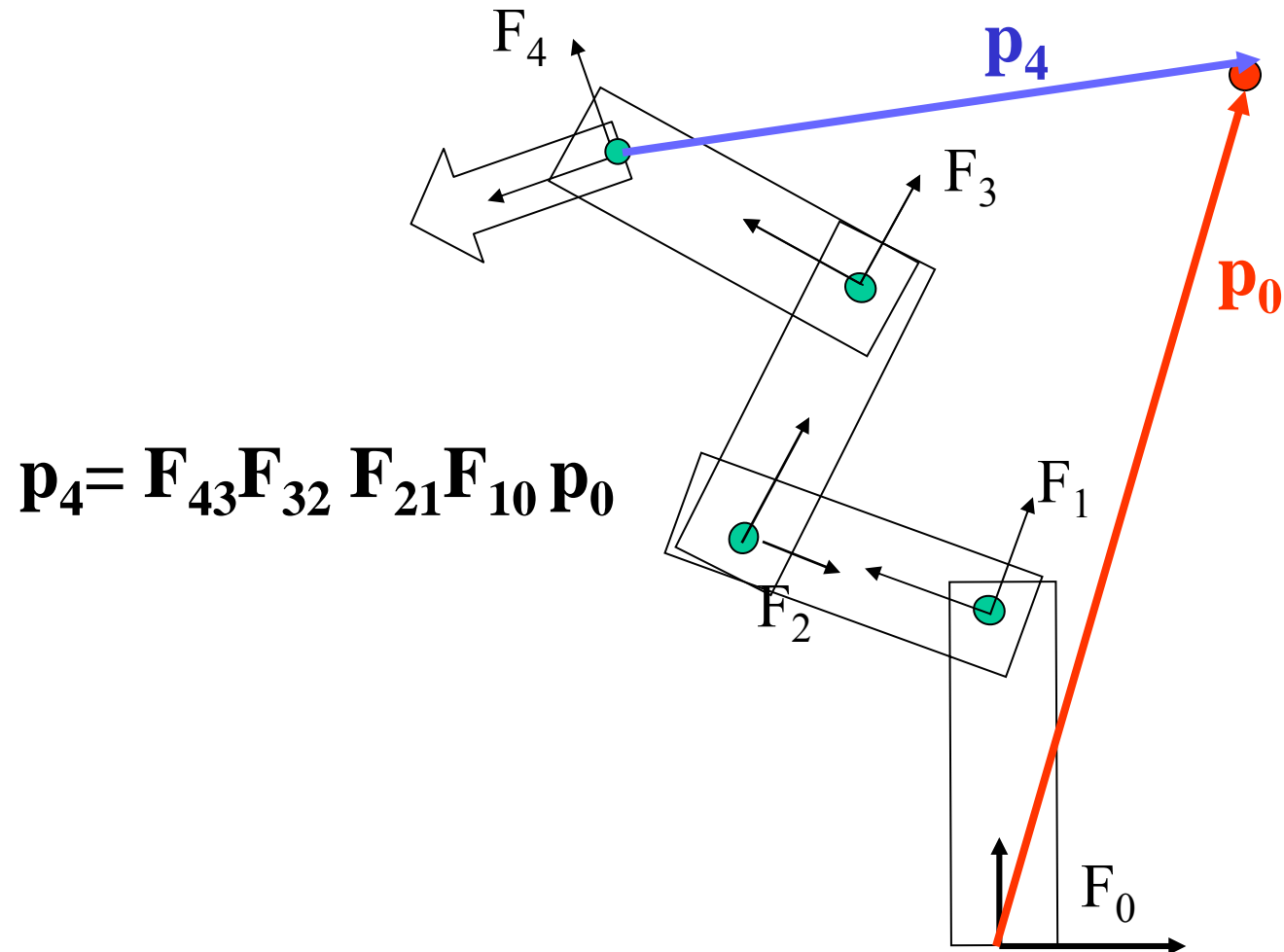


Example cont'd: Frames

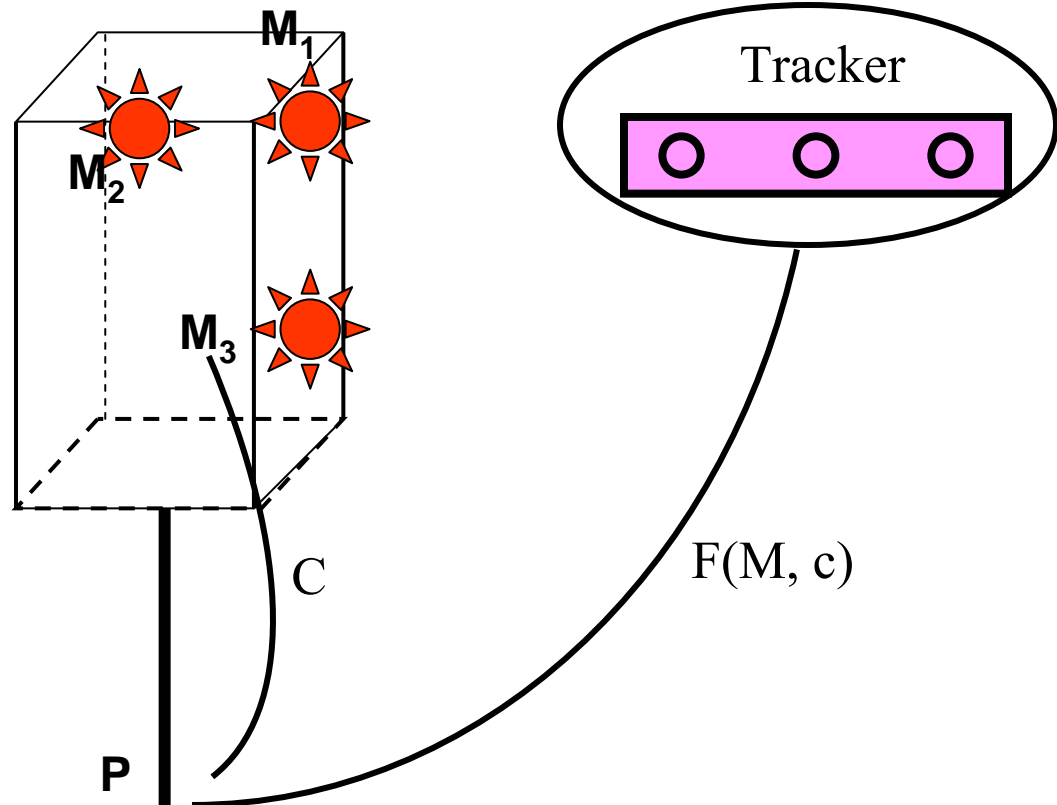


Example: Multi-Joint Serial Robots

4-joint serial robot

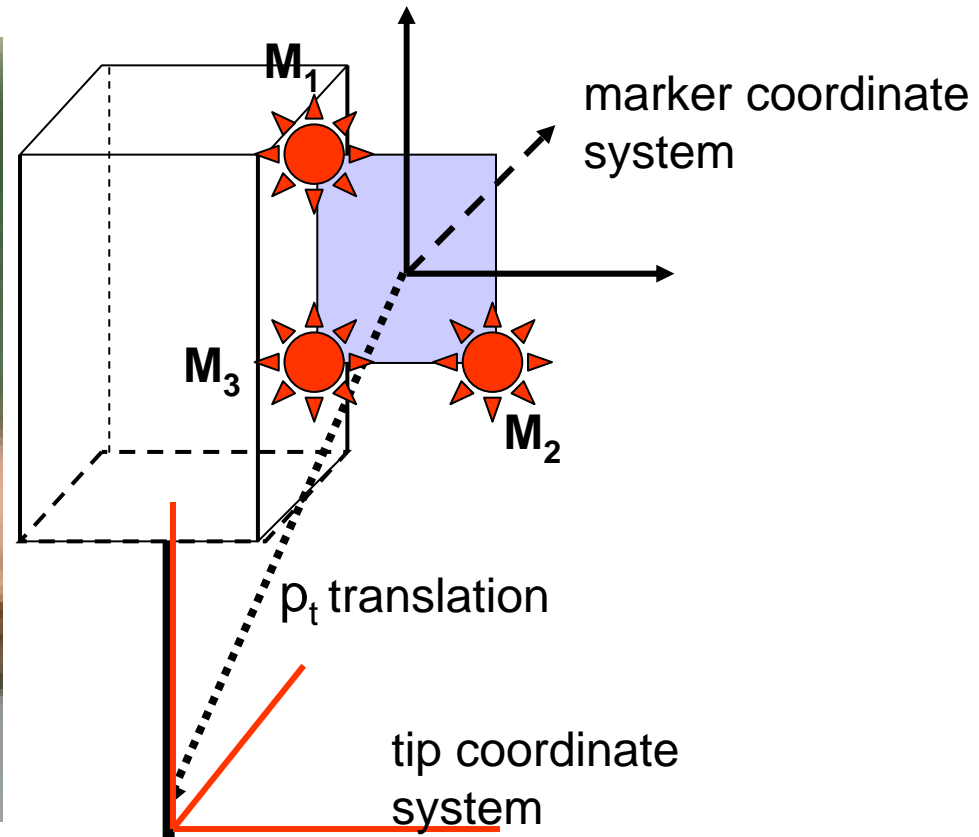


Example: Pointer Calibration



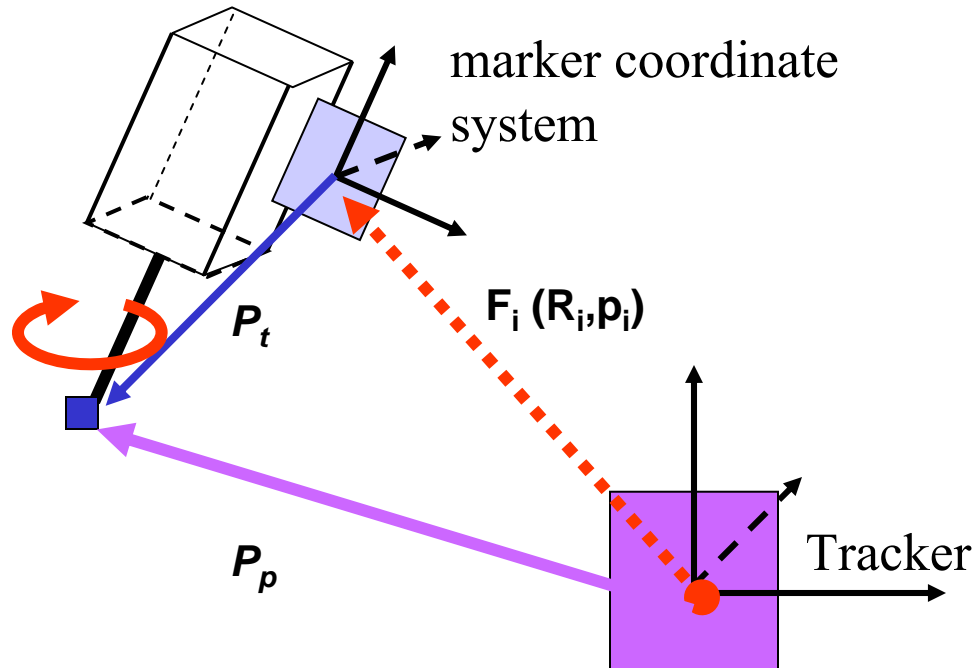
- $M = (M_1, M_2, \dots, M_i)$ tracker readings
- $P = F(M, C)$ function to get tool tip position from tracker readings, where $C = (c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots)$ is set of constants
- How to get these constants? -- CALIBRATION

Generic Pivot Calibration



- Determine p_t translation between tip and marker coordinate system
- Pivot around a fixed point

Pivot and measure many times...



- p_t vector is constant if looking from marker coordinate system
- Pivot point is constant if looking from the tracker base
- $M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots, M_n$ are reported by tracker
- $F_i(R_i, p_i)$ is easily calculated by software package
- $F_i(R_i, p_i)$ takes the p_t vector to the pivot point
- $F_i^* p_t = p_p$
- First rotation by R_i , then translation by p_i
- $R_i^* p_t + p_i = p_p$
- Unknowns: P_t and P_p
- Two poses are sufficient to calculate P_t
- Take many poses (i.e. redundancy) to reduce errors!!!

Solve the math...

$$(1) \quad R_i^* p_t + p_i = p_p$$

$$(2) \quad R_j^* p_t + p_j = p_p \quad \text{subtract and 1 and 2}$$

$$R_i^* p_t - R_j^* p_t + p_i - p_j = 0$$

$$(R_i - R_j) p_t + p_i - p_j = 0$$

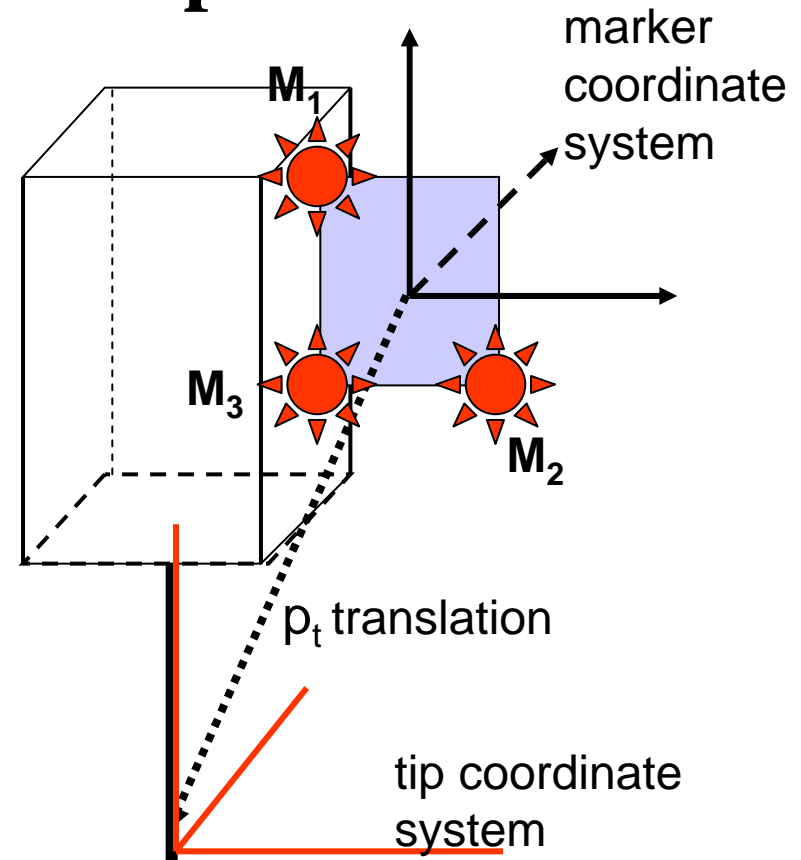
$$(R_i - R_j) p_t = -(p_i - p_j)$$

$$p_t = - (R_i - R_j)^{-1} (p_i - p_j)$$

Repeat the above on all pairs of
measurements and then take the average p_t



Now how to use the pointer



- Read $M_1, M_2, M_3 \dots M_n$ are reported by tracker
- $F_i (R_i, p_i)$ is easily calculated by software package
- Plug p_t into $R_i * p_t + p_i = p_p$
- If possible, take multiple measurements, reject outliers, and average the rest