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consider "left eye coordinates"

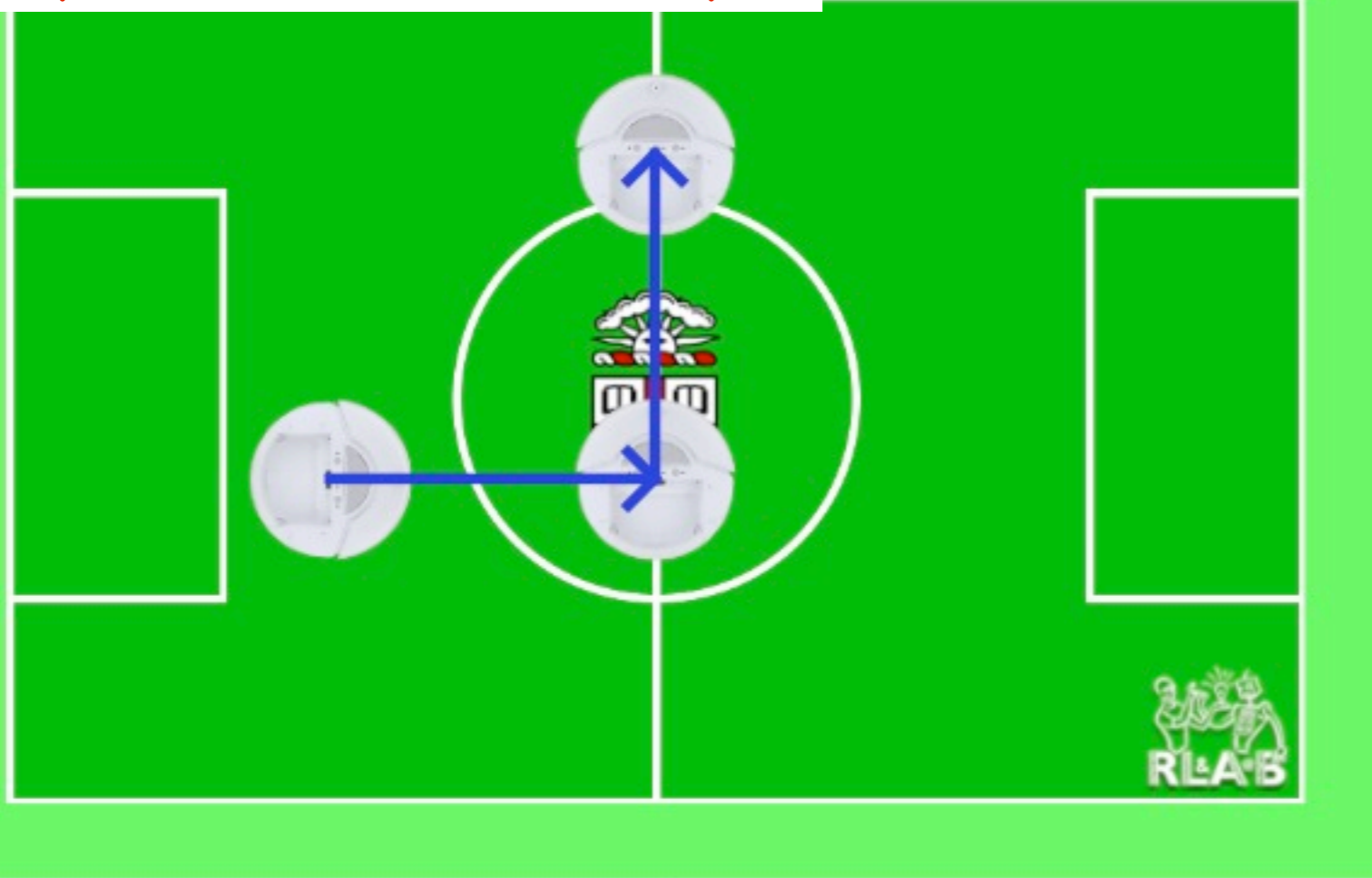
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time stamp

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Done

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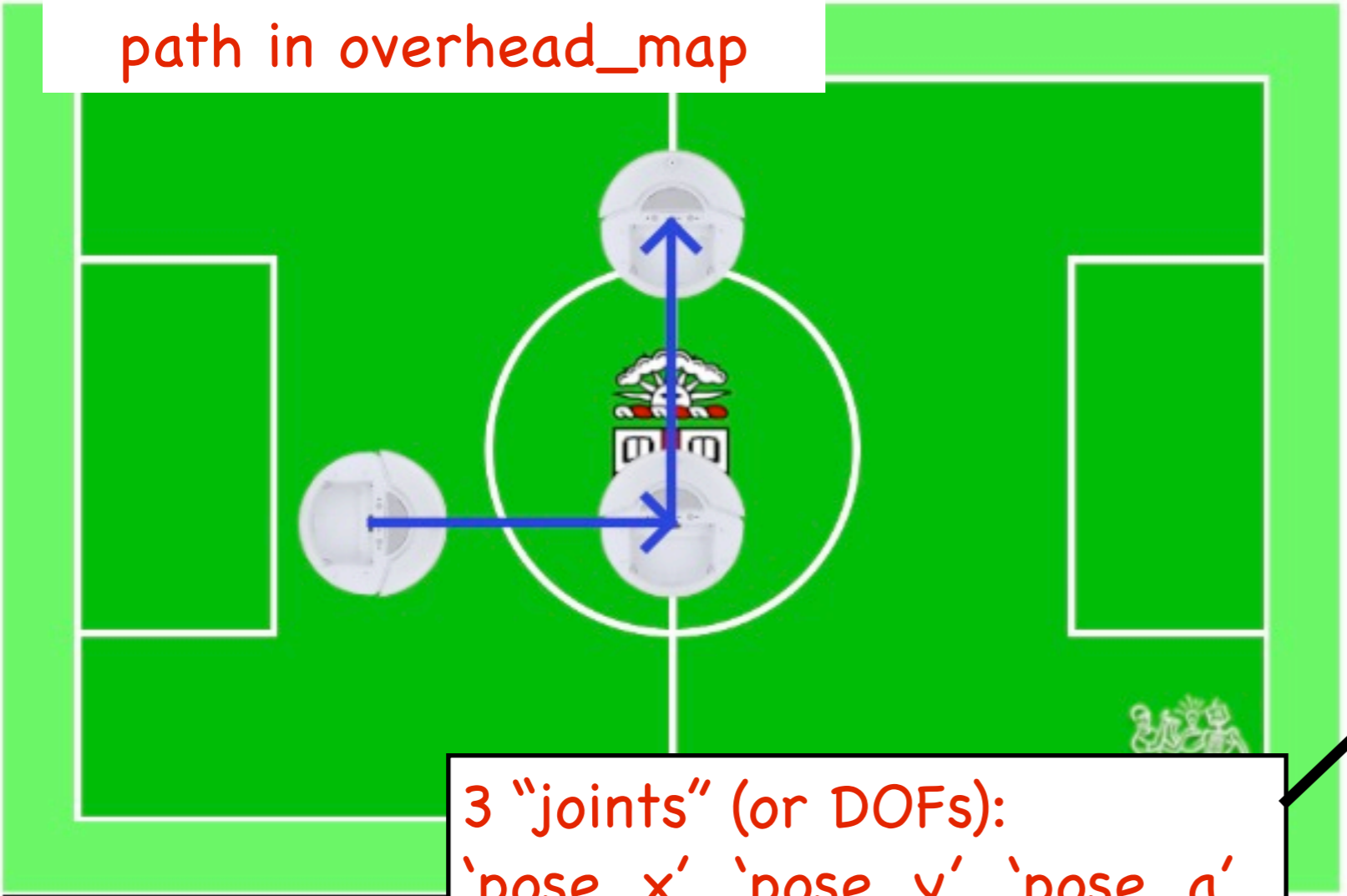
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  duration time_from_start
```

use 0 for velocities and accelerations, sequence number for duration

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publish as topic
'DOF3PlanarPath'

```
...
from trajectory_msgs.msg import JointTrajectory, JointTrajectoryPoint
...
def trajmsg_test():
    pub = rospy.Publisher('DOF3PlanarPath', JointTrajectory)
    traj = JointTrajectory();
    traj.joint_names = ('pose_x', 'pose_y', 'pose_a');
    trajpoint = JointTrajectoryPoint();
    trajpoint.positions = (1,1,0);
    trajpoint.velocities = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.accelerations = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.time_from_start = roslib.rostime.Duration(1);
    traj.points.append(trajpoint);
    trajpoint = JointTrajectoryPoint();
    trajpoint.positions = (2,1,pi/2);
    trajpoint.velocities = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.accelerations = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.time_from_start = roslib.rostime.Duration(2);
    traj.points.append(trajpoint);
    trajpoint = JointTrajectoryPoint();
    trajpoint.positions = (2,2,pi/2);
    trajpoint.velocities = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.accelerations = (0,0,0);
    trajpoint.time_from_start = roslib.rostime.Duration(3);
    traj.points.append(trajpoint)
...
while not rospy.is_shutdown():
    pub.publish(traj)
```

each "point" specifies intermediate DOF values at a "time_from start"

import om_msgs messages

Displaying path in
overhead web visualization

```
...
from om_msgs.msg import Overhead_Map_Obj, Overhead_Map_Obj
...
def processPath(DOF3PlanarPath):
    global curpathdrawobjs;
    drawobjs = Overhead_Map_Obj();
    for i in range(len(DOF3PlanarPath.points)-1):
        drawobj = Overhead_Map_Obj();
        drawobj.name = 'arrow';
        drawobj.tuple =
            [DOF3PlanarPath.points[i].positions[0],
             DOF3PlanarPath.points[i].positions[1],
             DOF3PlanarPath.points[i+1].positions[0],
             DOF3PlanarPath.points[i+1].positions[1]];
        drawobjs.objs.append(drawobj);
    curpathdrawobjs = drawobjs;

...
def trajmsg_display():
    pub = rospy.Publisher('overhead_map_objs', Overhead_Map_Obj);
    rospy.Subscriber('DOF3PlanarPath', JointTrajectory, processPath);
    ...
    while not rospy.is_shutdown():
        pub.publish(curpathdrawobjs)
    ...
```

specify objects in
Overhead_Map_Obj
in DOF3PlanarPath
handler

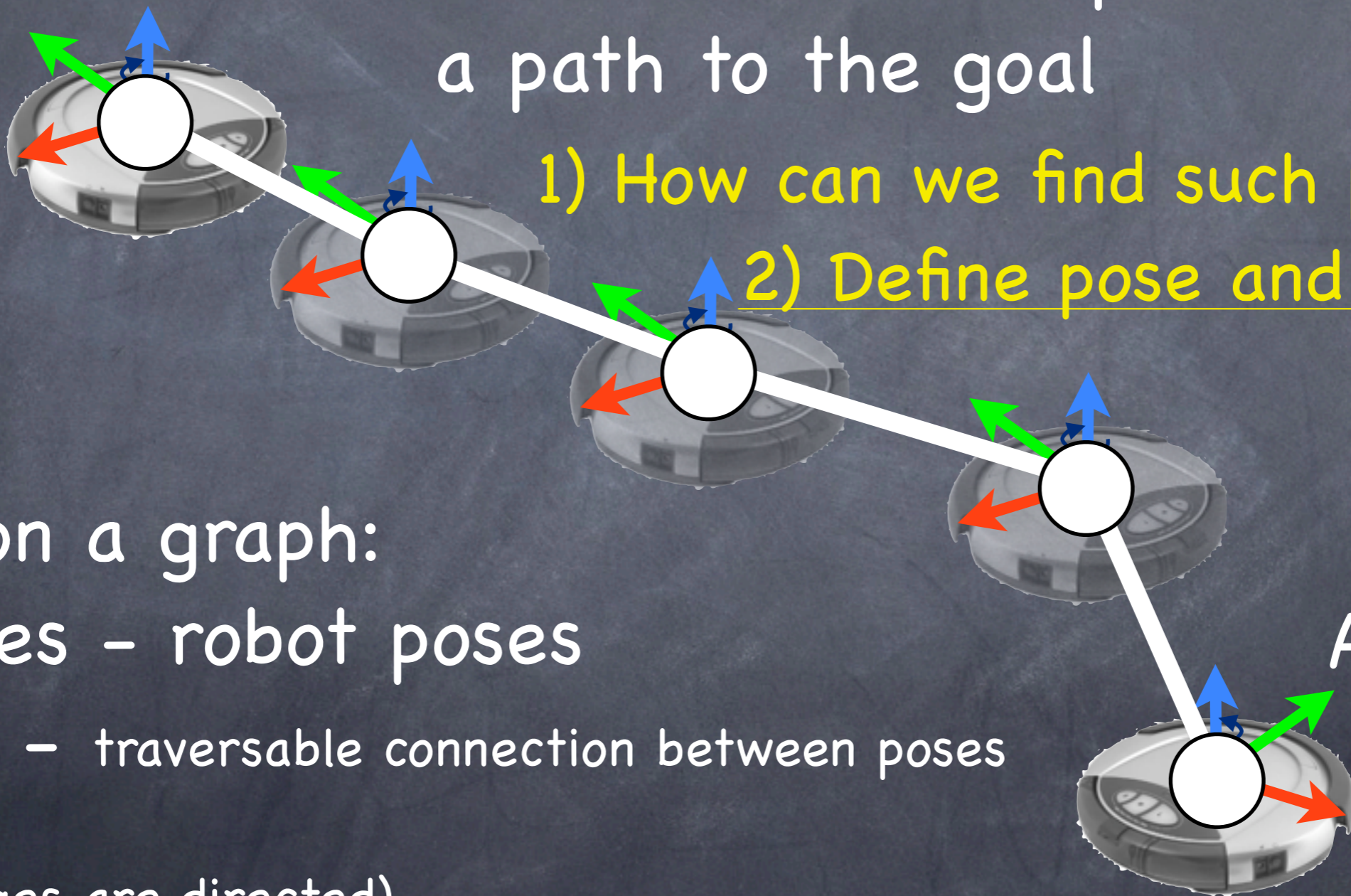
do not forget
to run rosjs

subscribe to DOF3PlanarPath, publish overhead_map_objs

Path Planning

B: Goal

Find intermediate poses forming a path to the goal



Path on a graph:

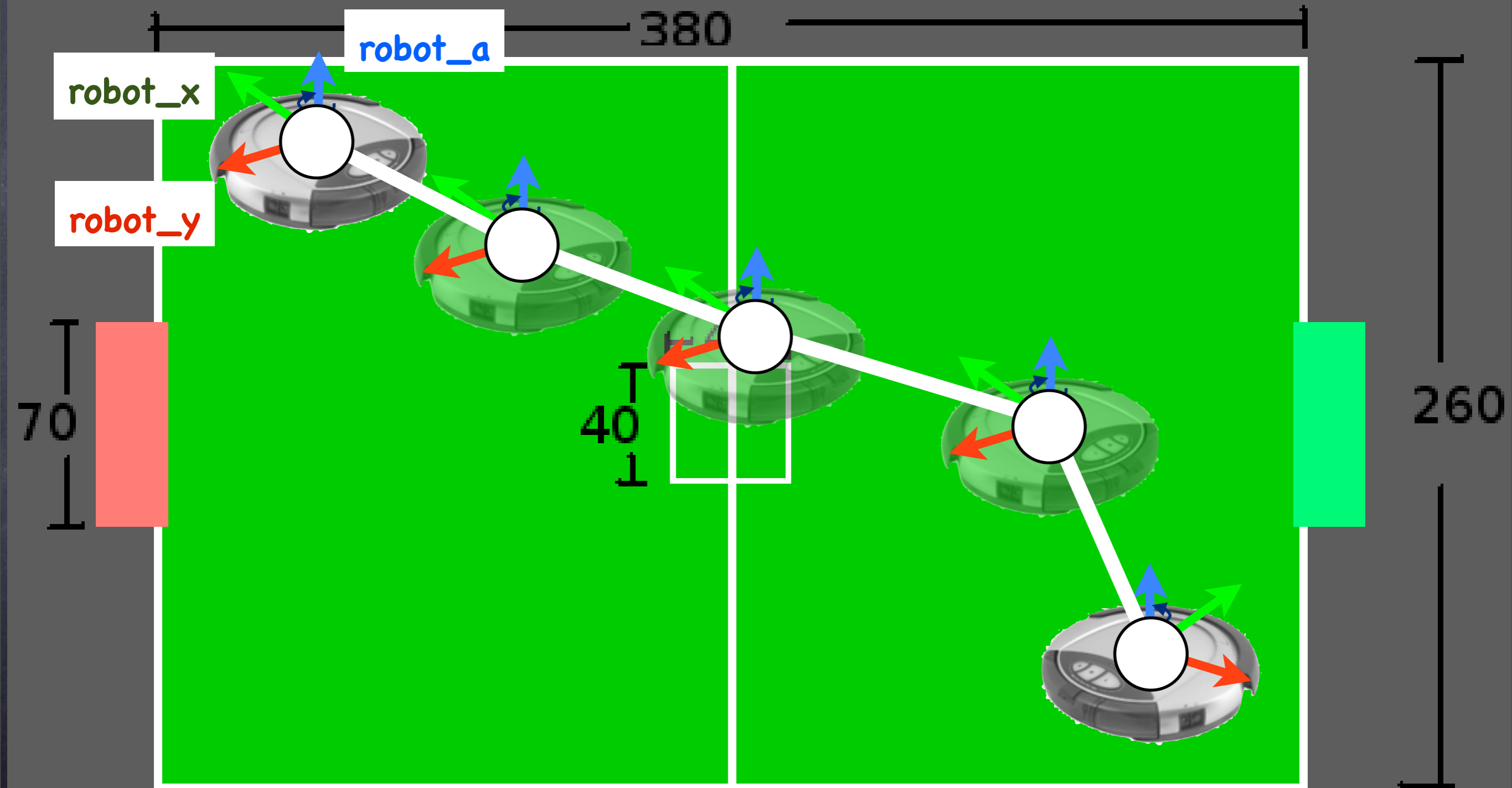
vertices - robot poses

edges - traversable connection between poses

(note edges are directed)

A: Start

- 1) path planning: sequence of intermediate poses
- 2) Define pose and controls?



Tangent: Integrating Odometry?

- Path planning assumes we know location of robot
- Suppose no overhead localization?
- Could we use the robot's odometry?
- Can we plot robot's movement on field using odometry?

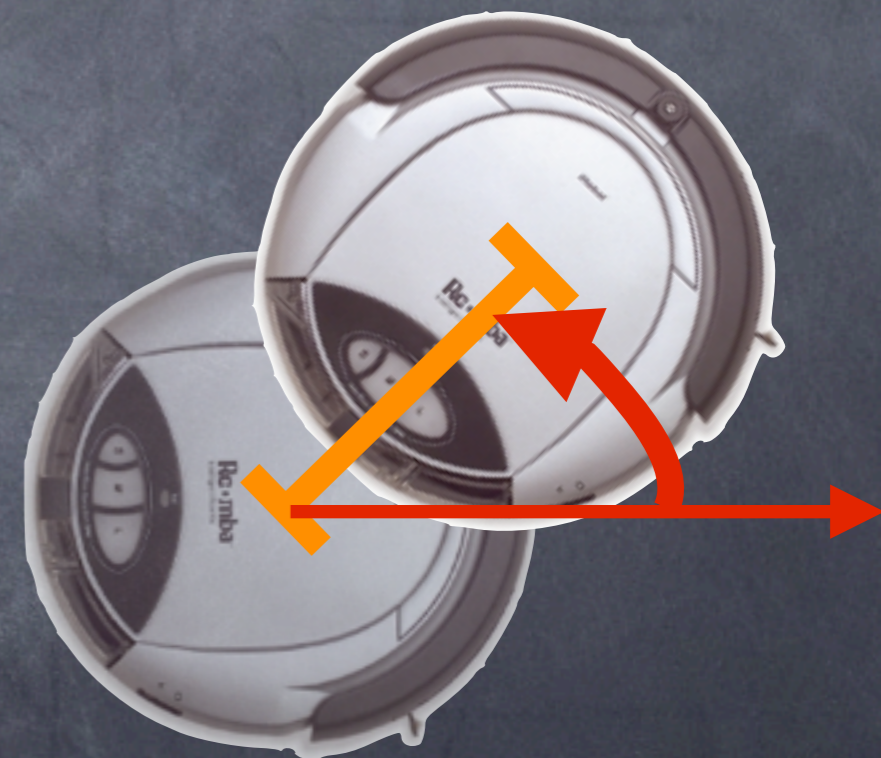
robot at time $t+\Delta t$



robot at time t

Tangent: Integrating Odometry?

- `irobot_create_2_1` publishes
 - **angle**: amount of turn since last update
 - **distance**: distance traveled since last update
- can we use these to “dead reckon” estimate of robot pose (x,y,a) ?



robot's forward
direction

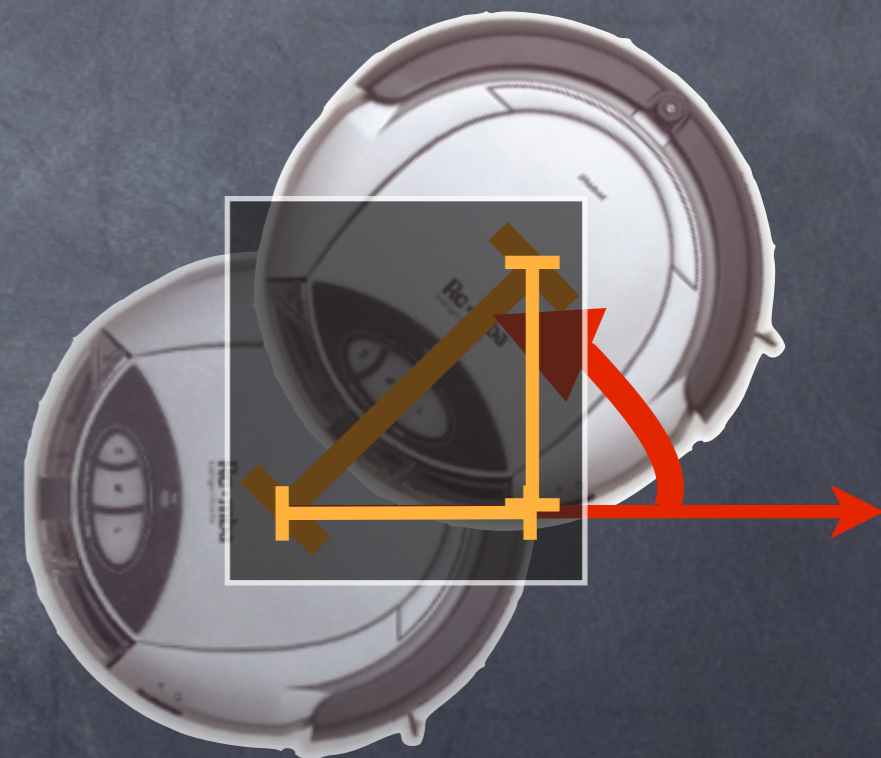
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- A simple answer:

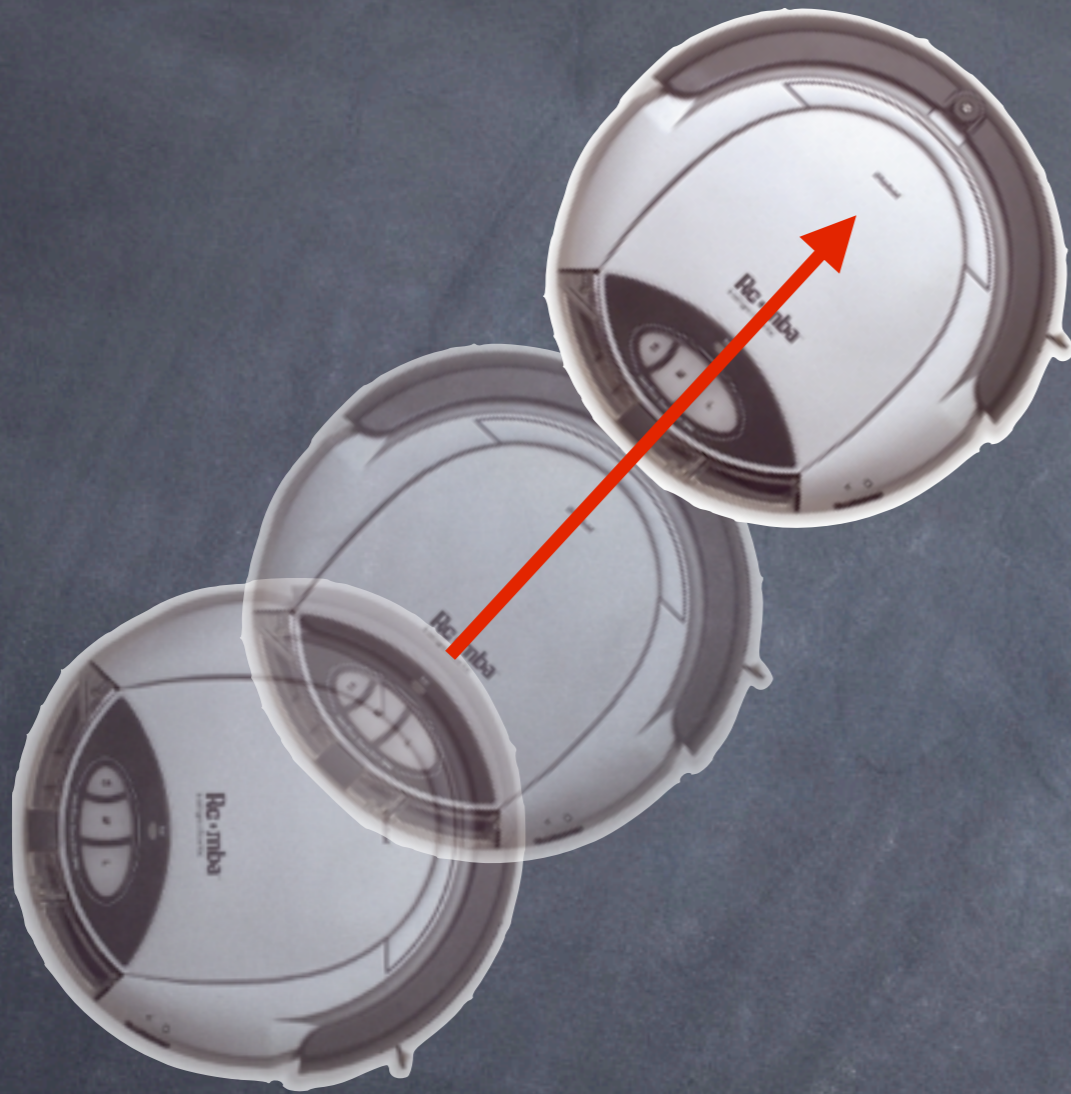
- $\text{pose}_x \rightarrow \text{pose}_x + \text{distance} * \cos(\text{angle})$

- $\text{pose}_y \rightarrow \text{pose}_y + \text{distance} * \sin(\text{angle})$

- $\text{pose}_a \rightarrow (\text{pose}_a + \text{angle}) \% 2\pi$



What happens next?



At the next update,
the robot drives forward

Where will odometry update
put the robot's pose?

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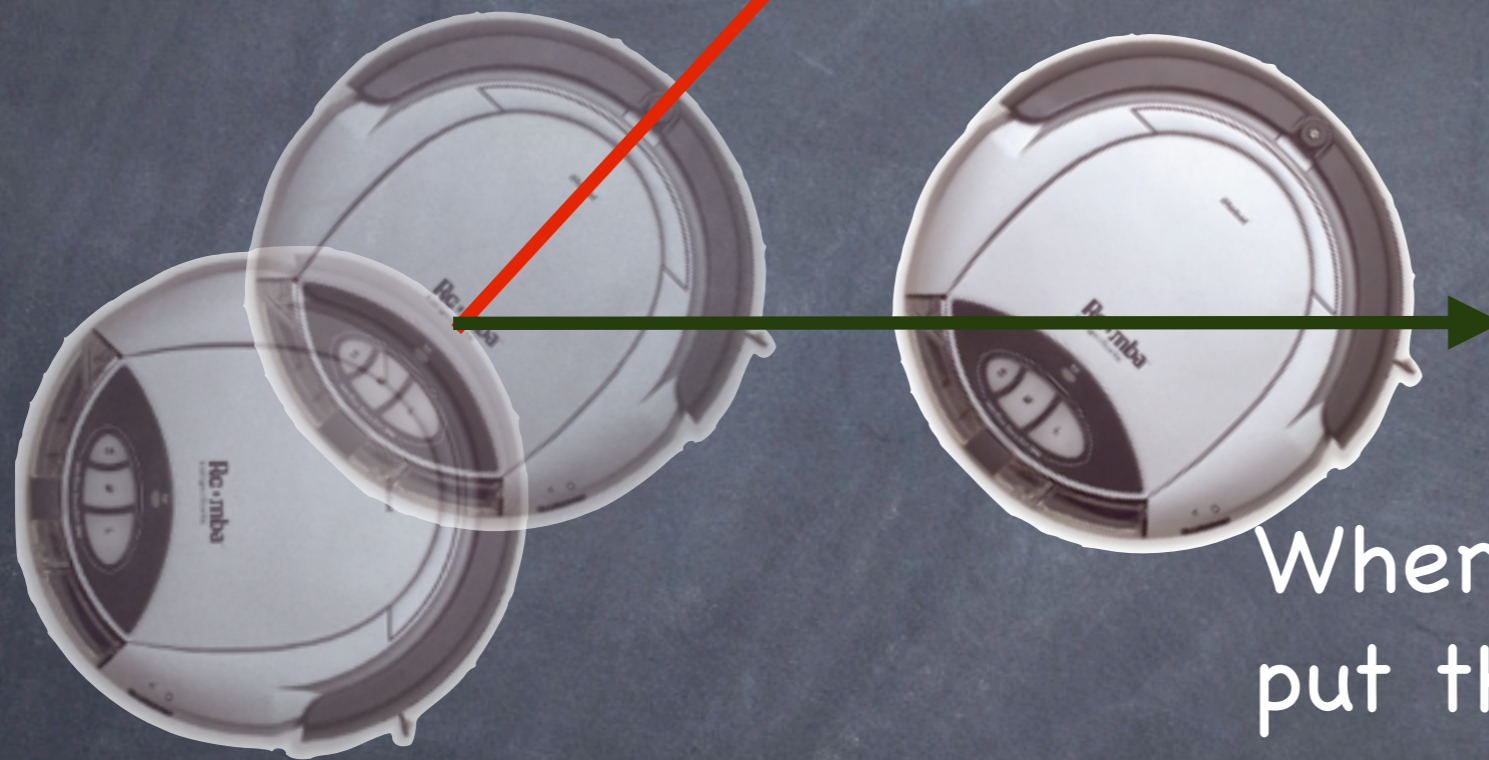
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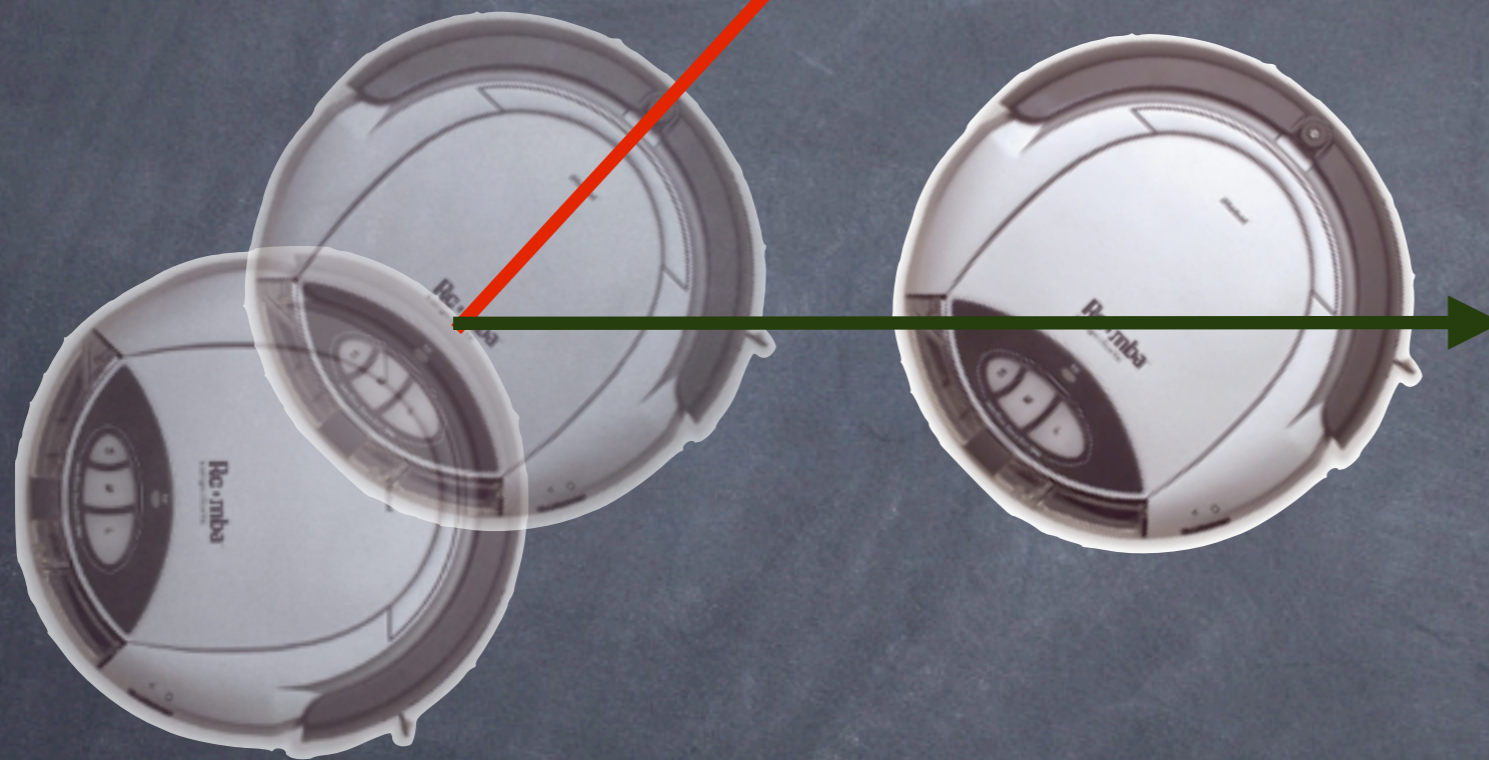
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Need to account for
rotation w.r.t. the world

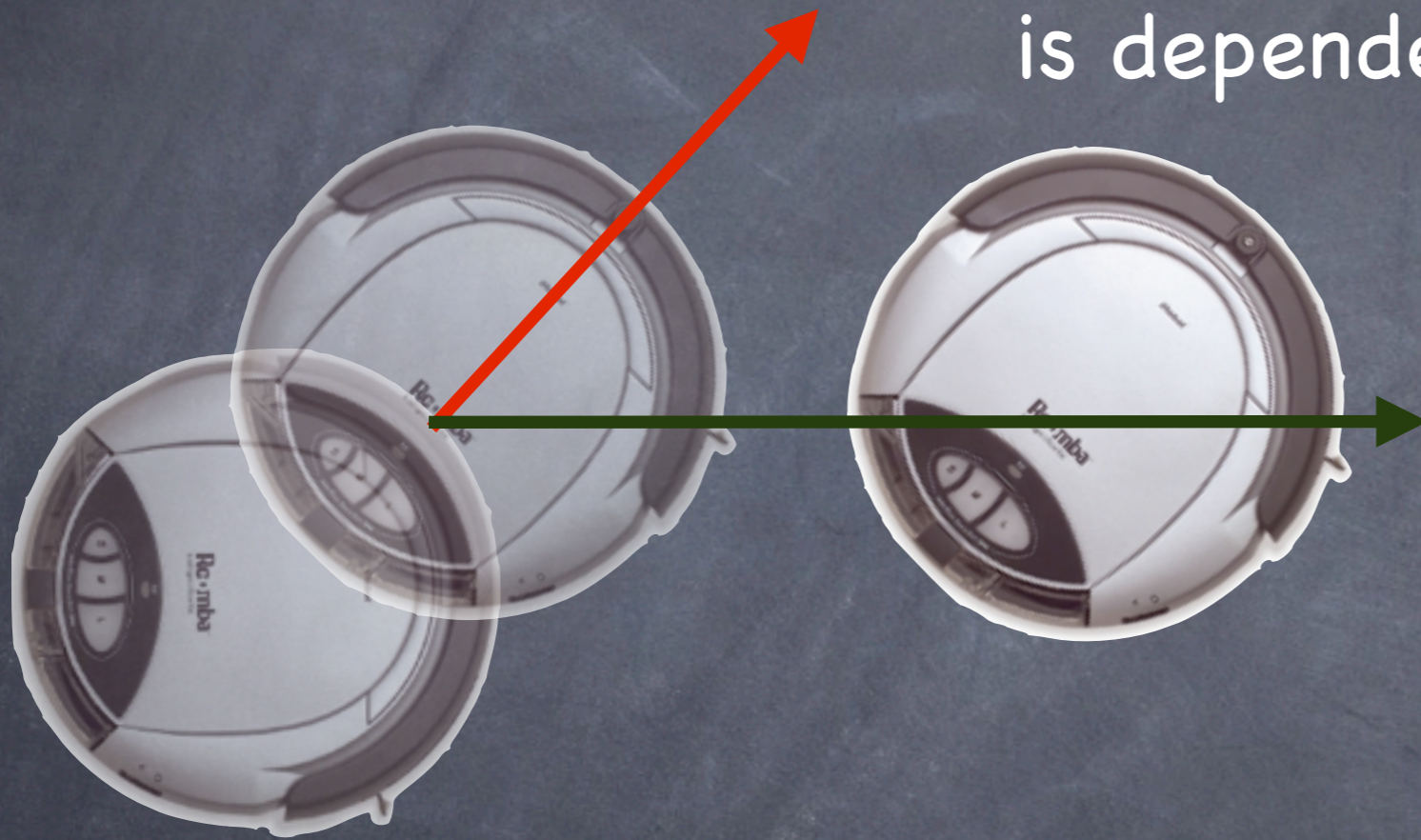
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Problem: the robot's **translation** is dependent on its **rotation**



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How to account for robot orientation in the world?

Express odometry as vector robot coordinates

$$\text{odom}_{\text{robot}} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{distance} * \cos(\text{angle}) \\ \text{distance} * \sin(\text{angle}) \end{bmatrix}$$



How to account for robot orientation in the world?

Rotate by pose angle in world coordinates ...

```
odomworld =  
... * rotate(pose_a) * odomrobot
```



How to account for robot orientation in the world?

and translate by pose offset in world coordinates:

$$\text{odom}_{\text{world}} = \text{translate}(\text{pose_x}, \text{pose_y}) * \text{rotate}(\text{pose_a}) * \text{odom}_{\text{robot}}$$



How to account for robot orientation in the world?

Now, the direct odometry update can be applied

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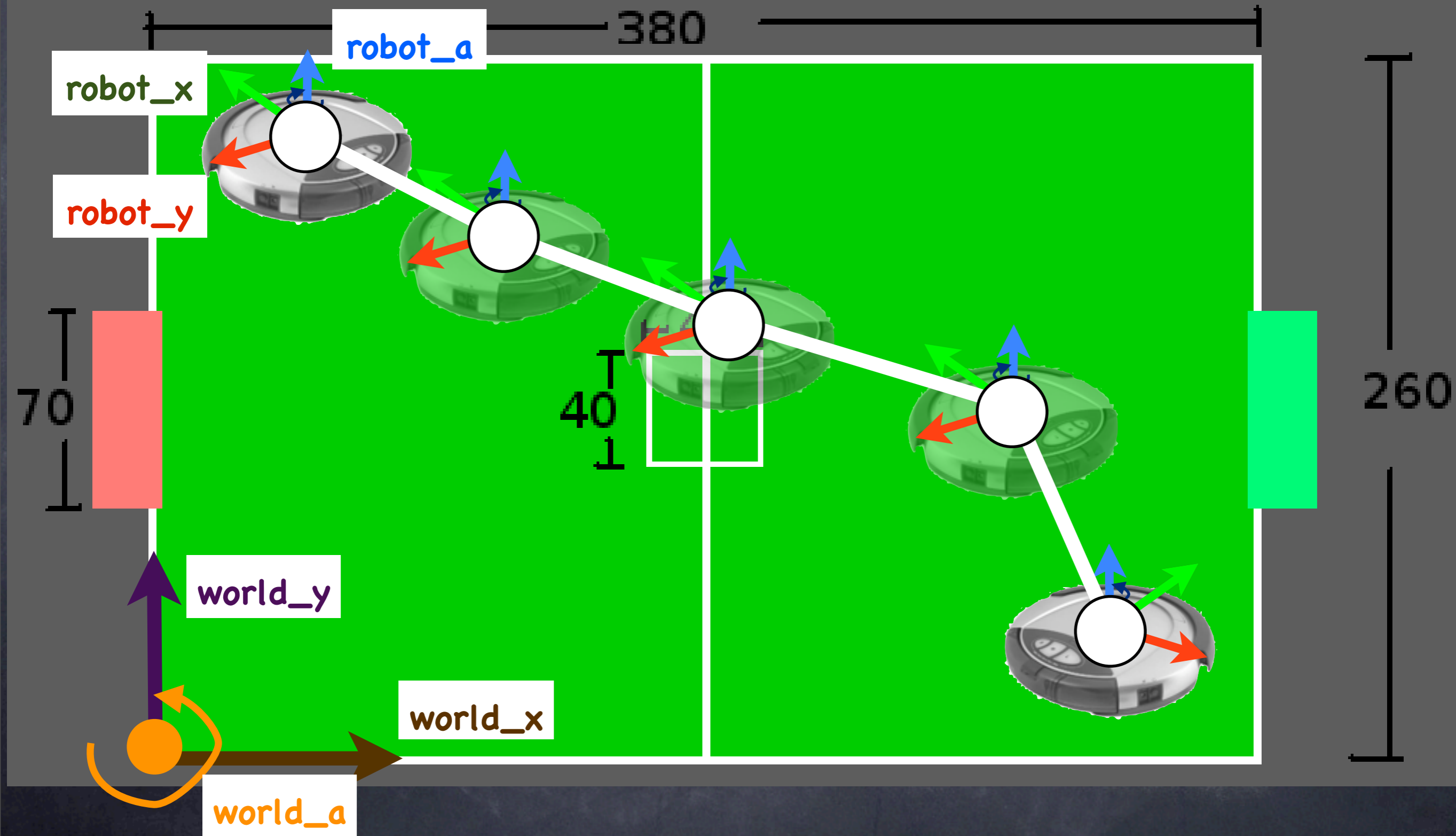
where,
 $t_x = \text{pose}_x$
 $t_y = \text{pose}_y$
 $\text{theta} = \text{pose}_a$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{odom}_{\text{world}_x} \\ \text{odom}_{\text{world}_y} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{odom}_{\text{robot}_x} \\ \text{odom}_{\text{robot}_y} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

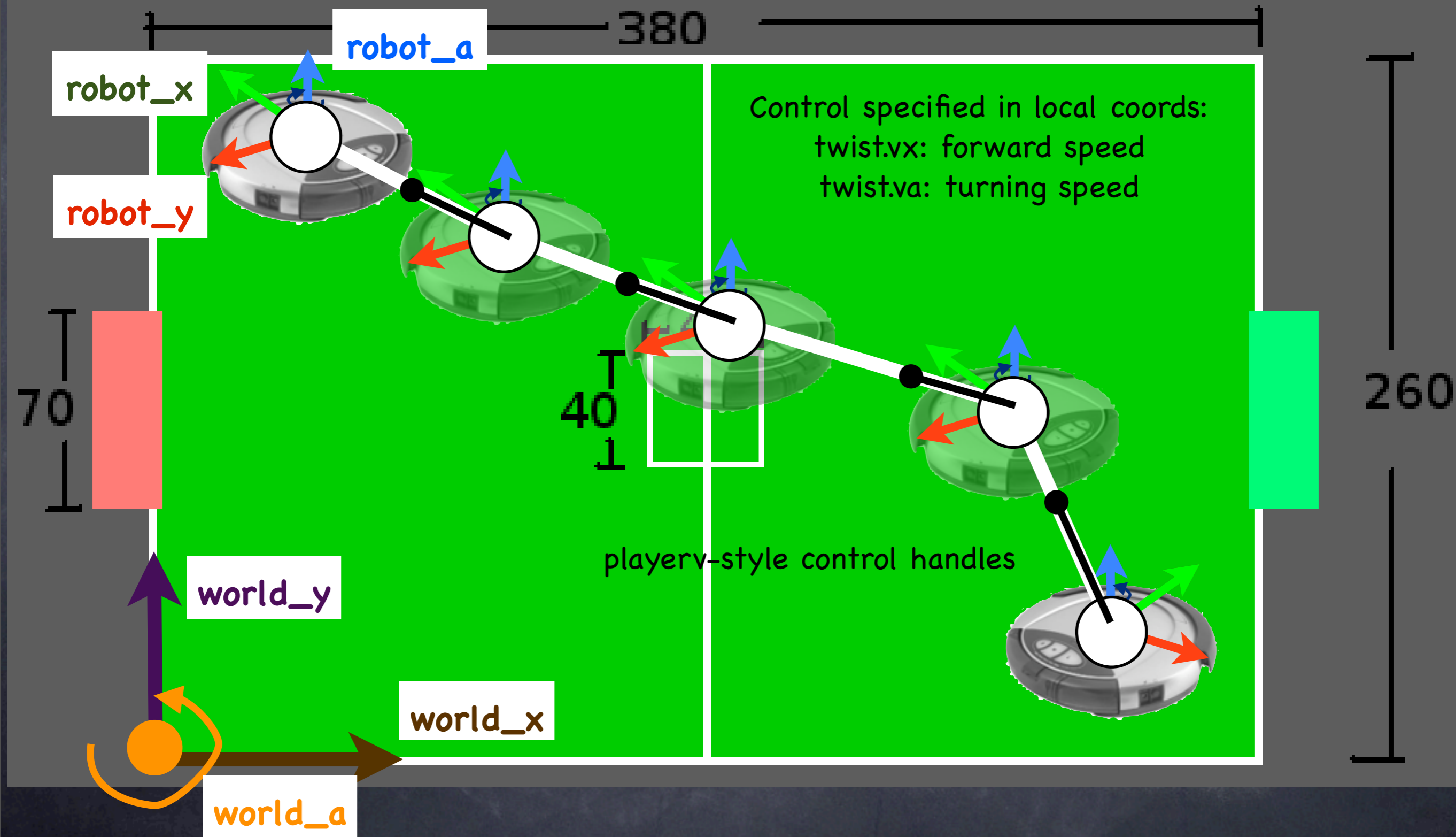
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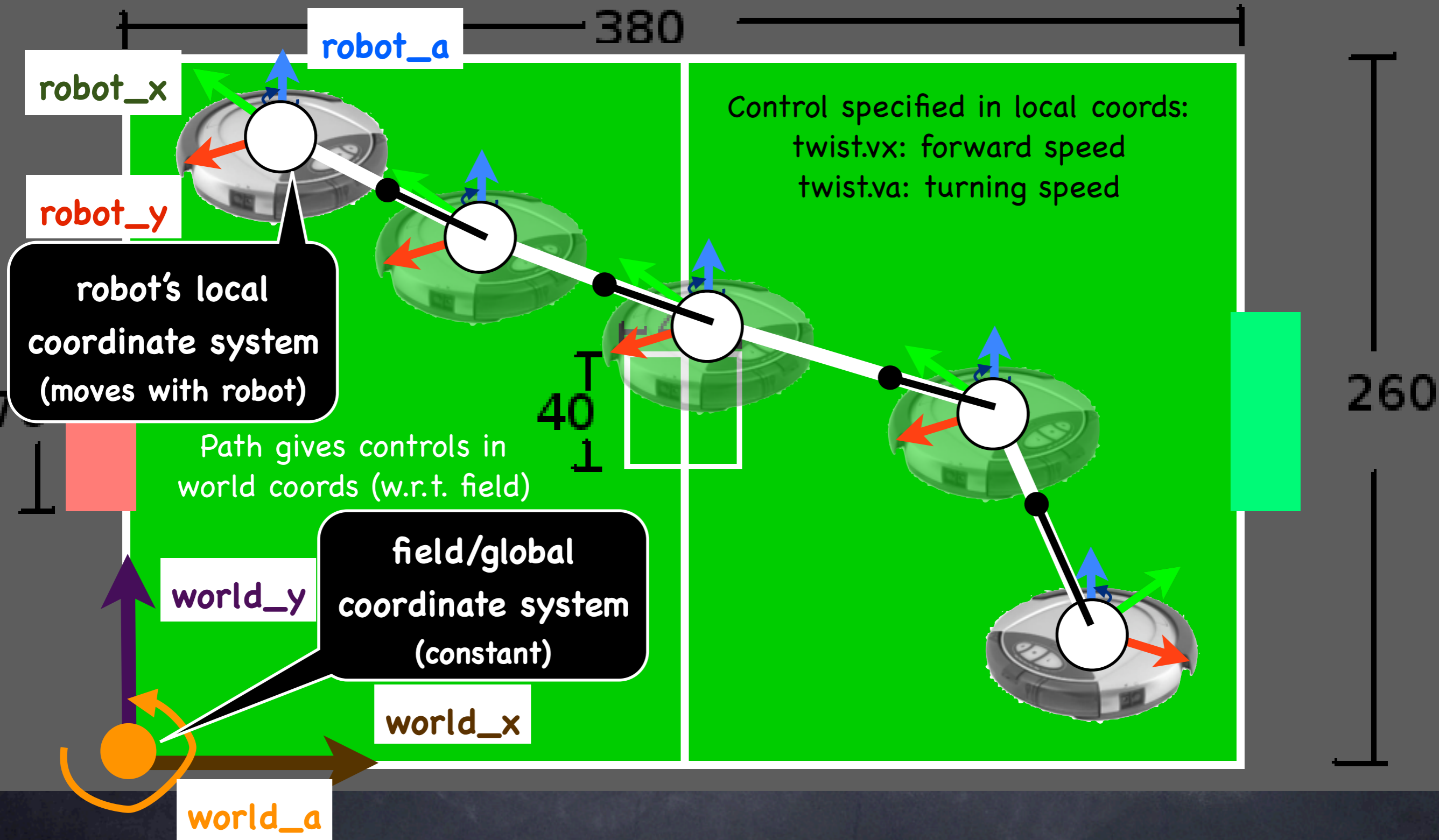
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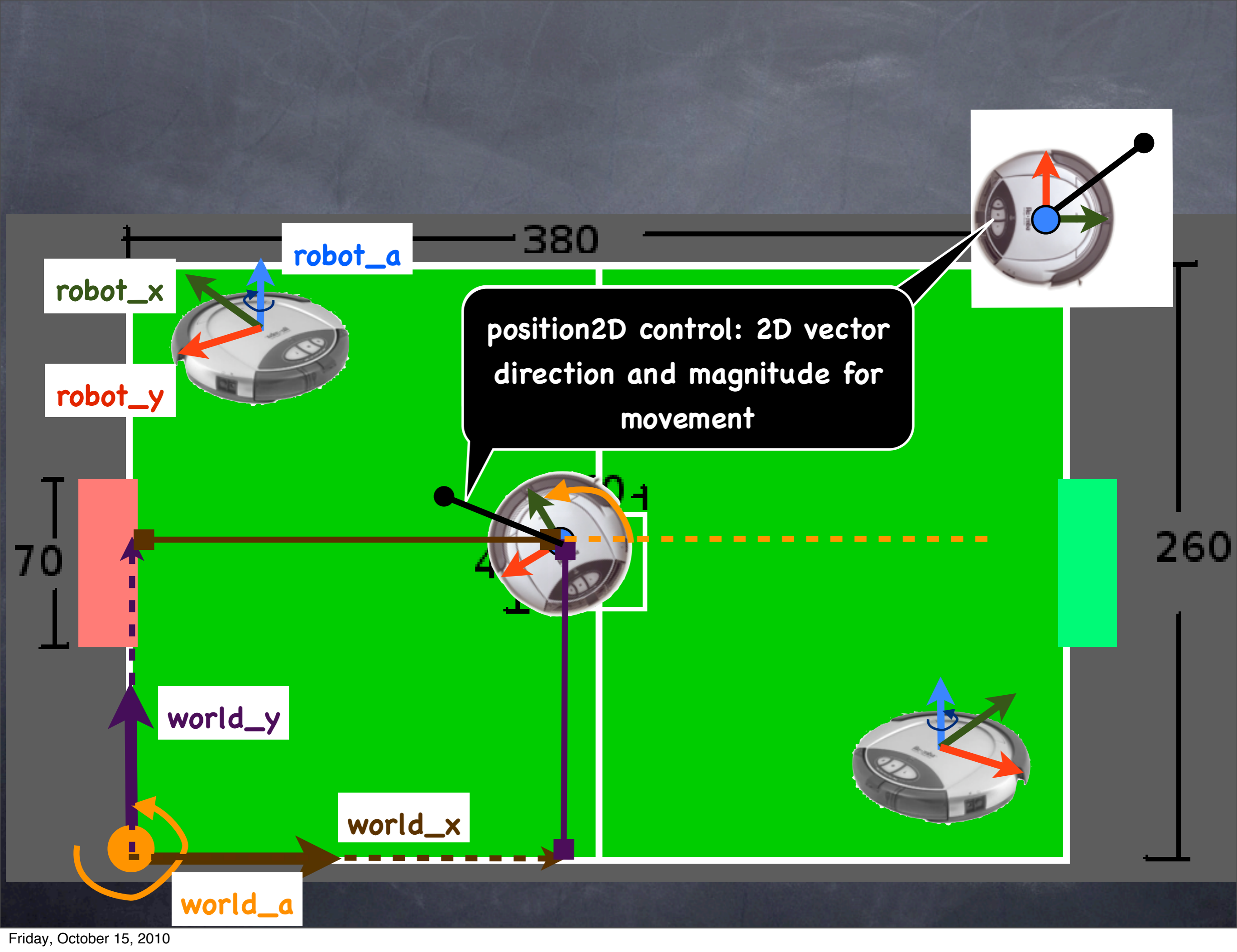


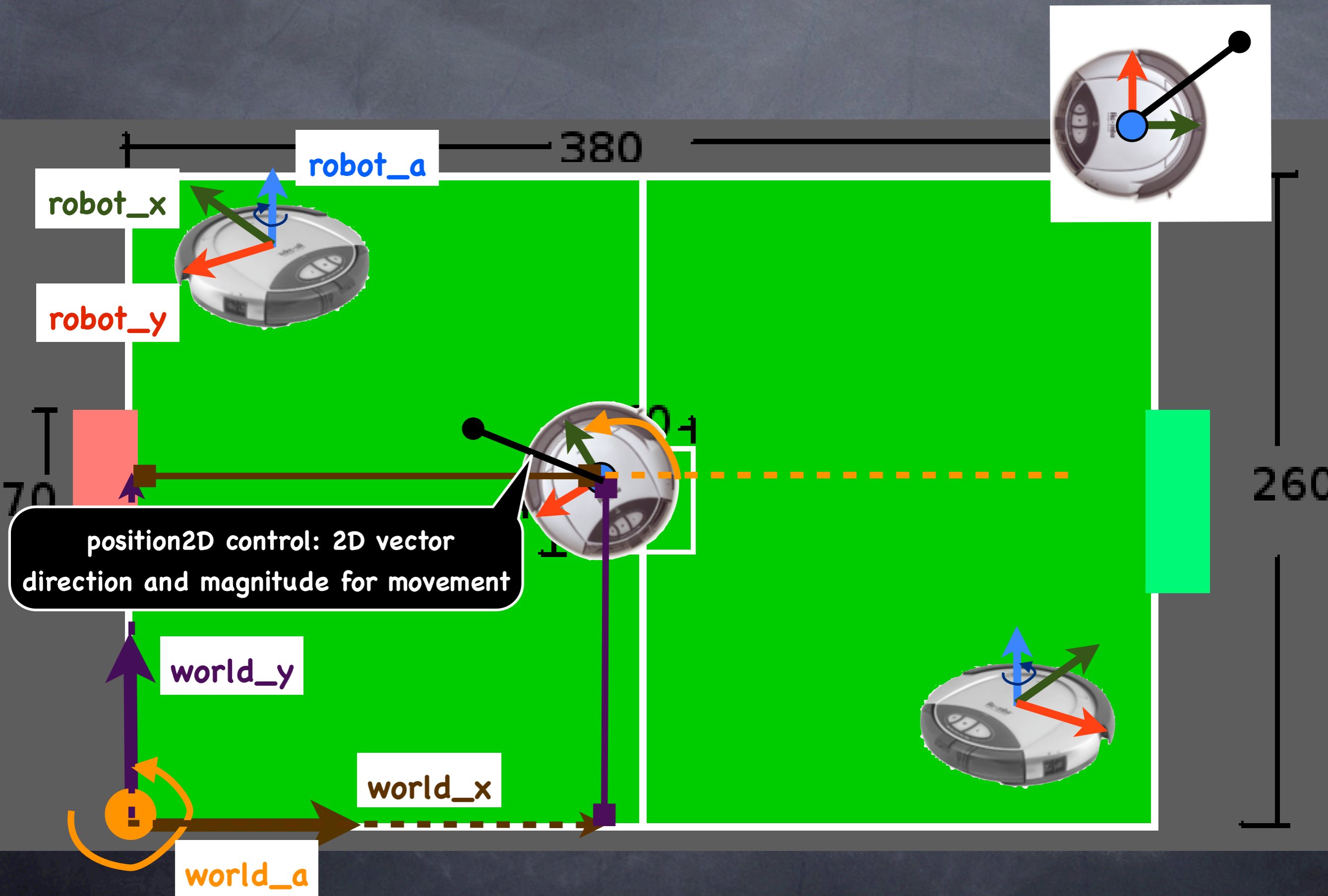
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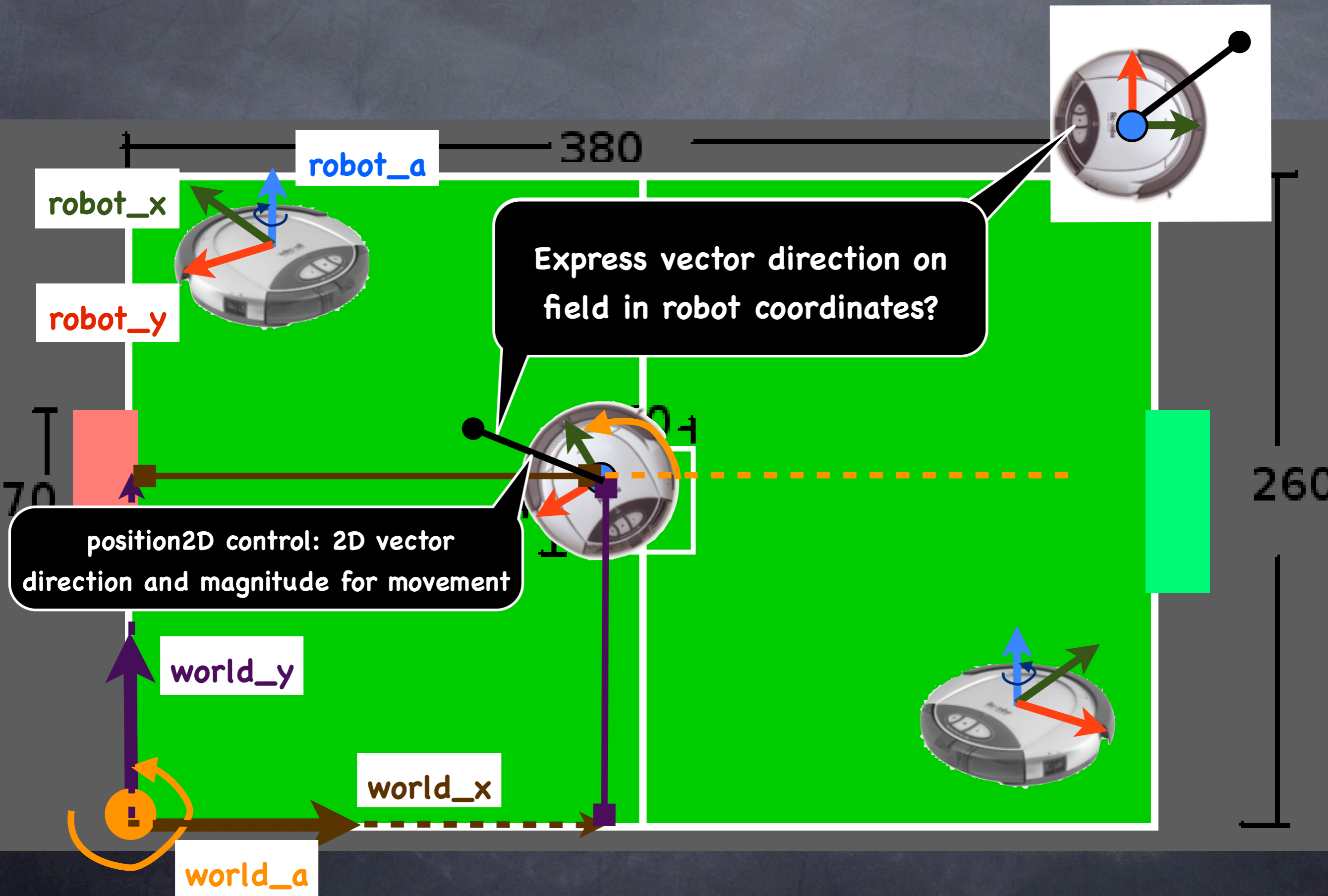


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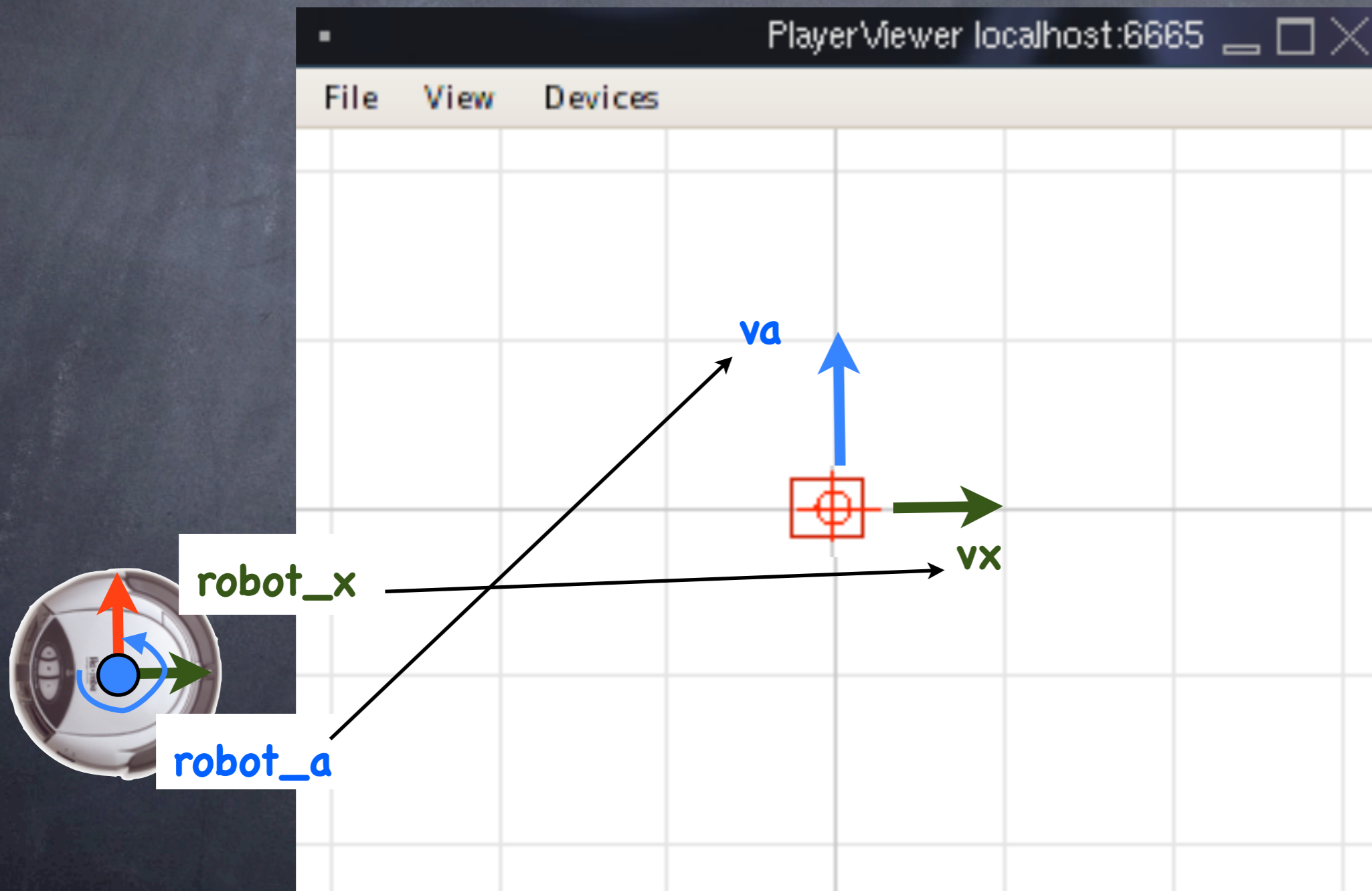




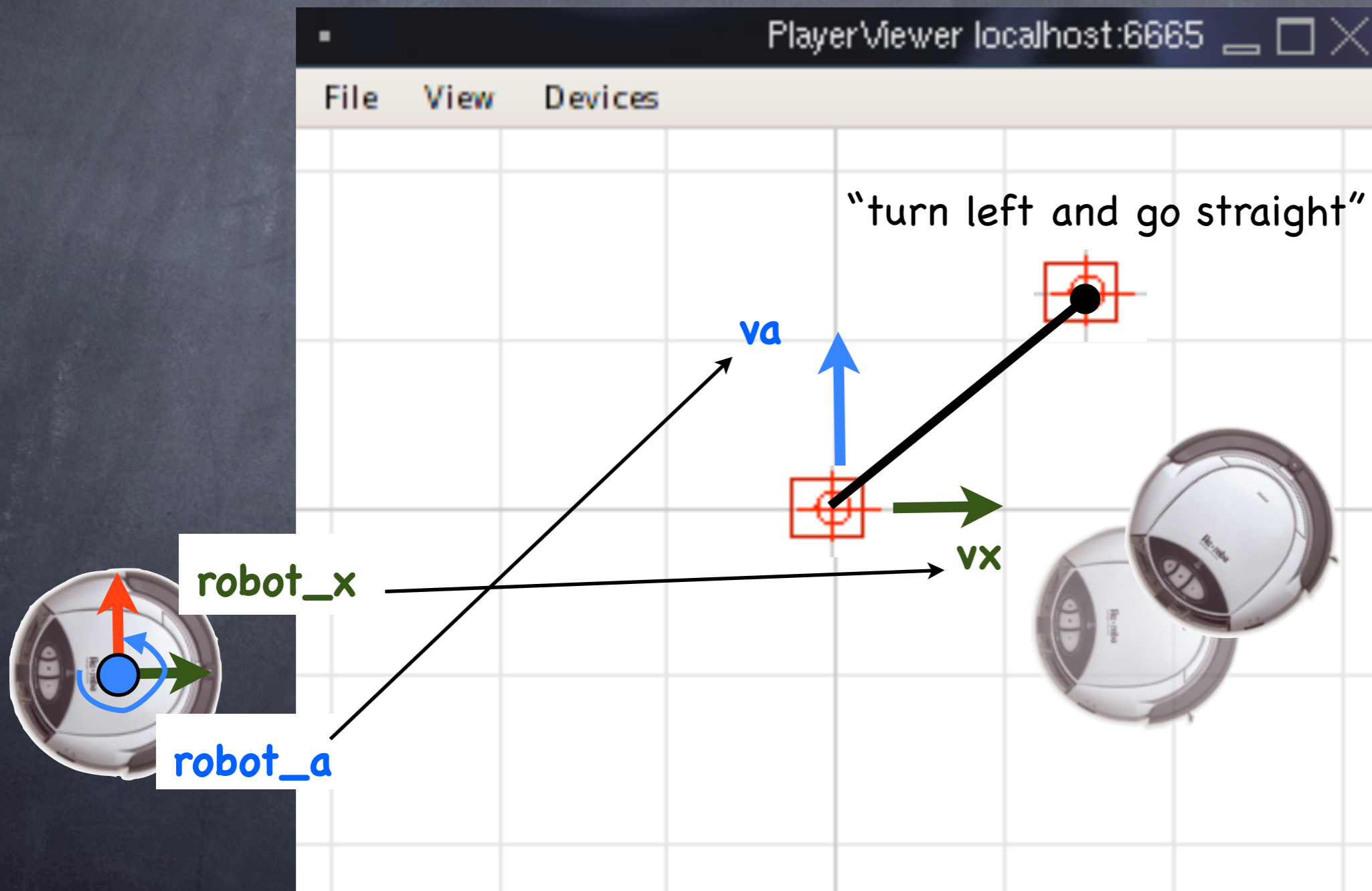




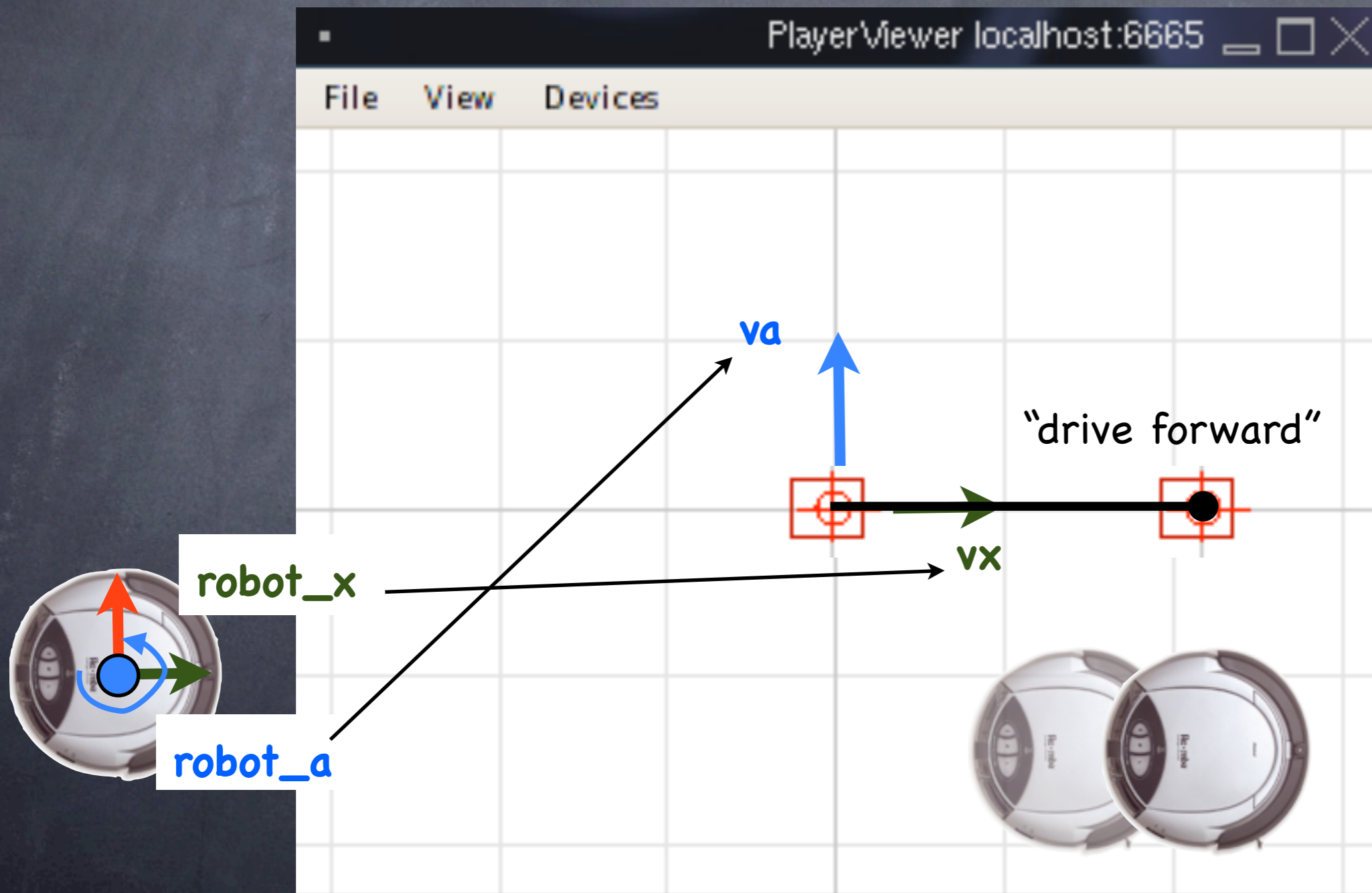
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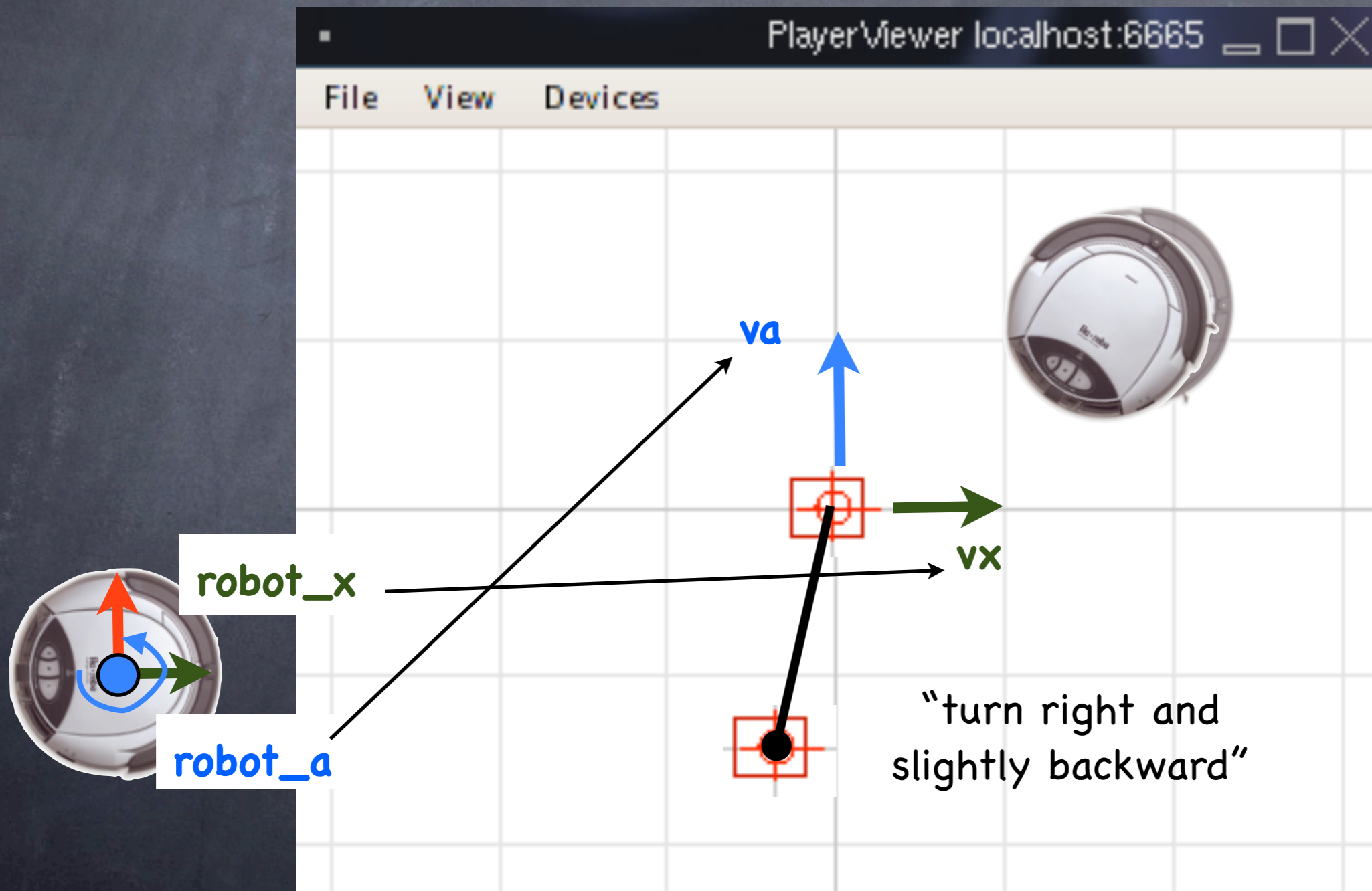


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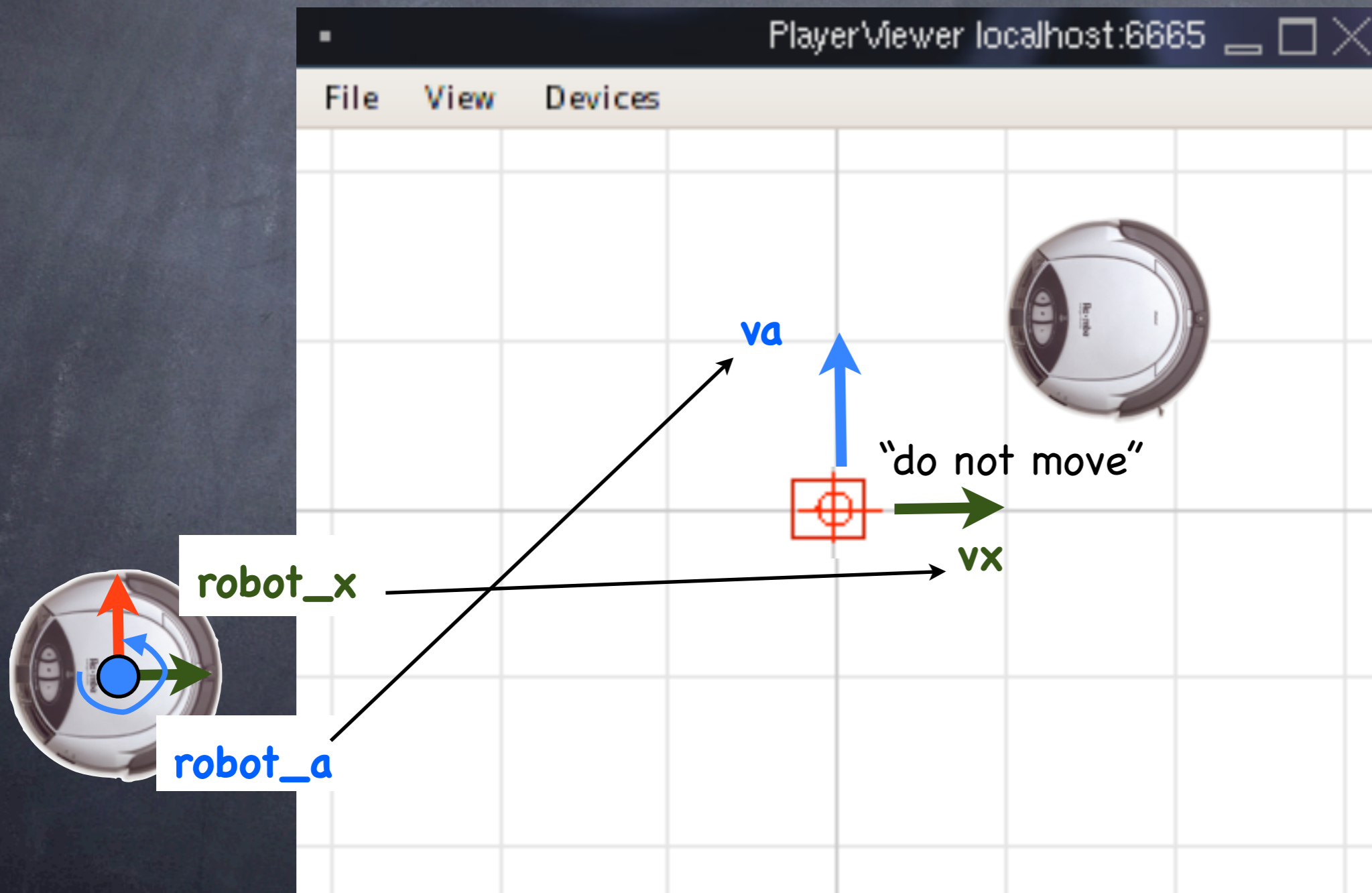
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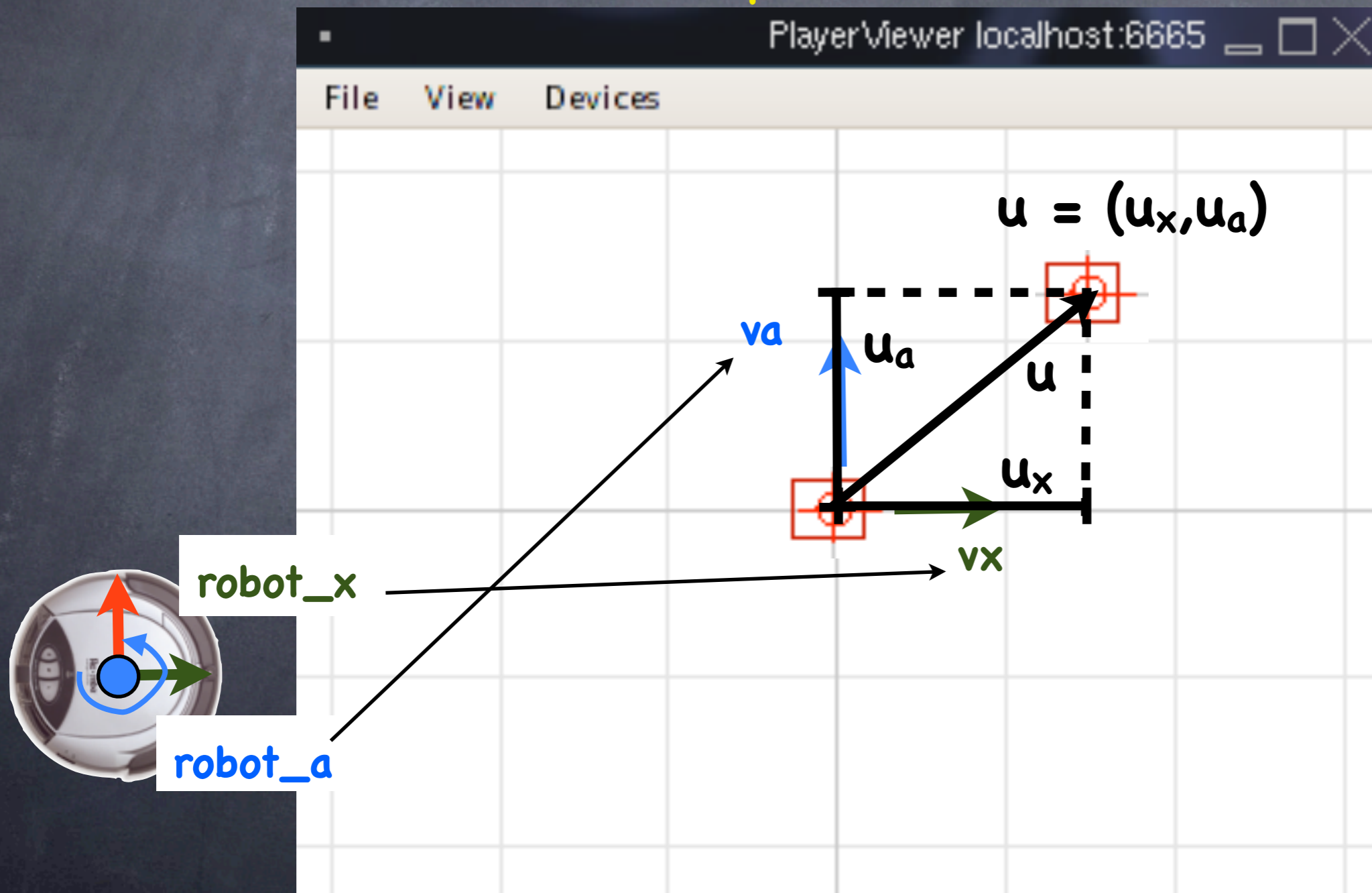
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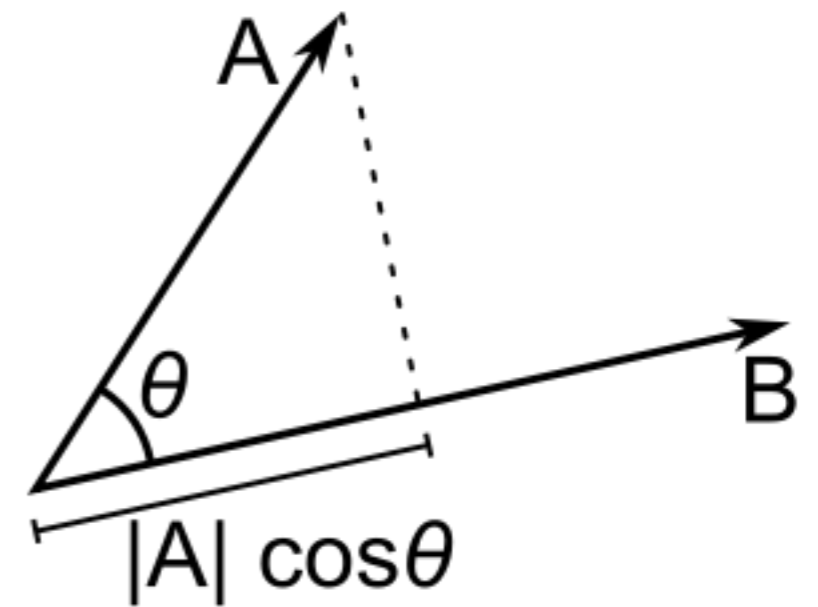
Note: u_a is dot product of u and v_a



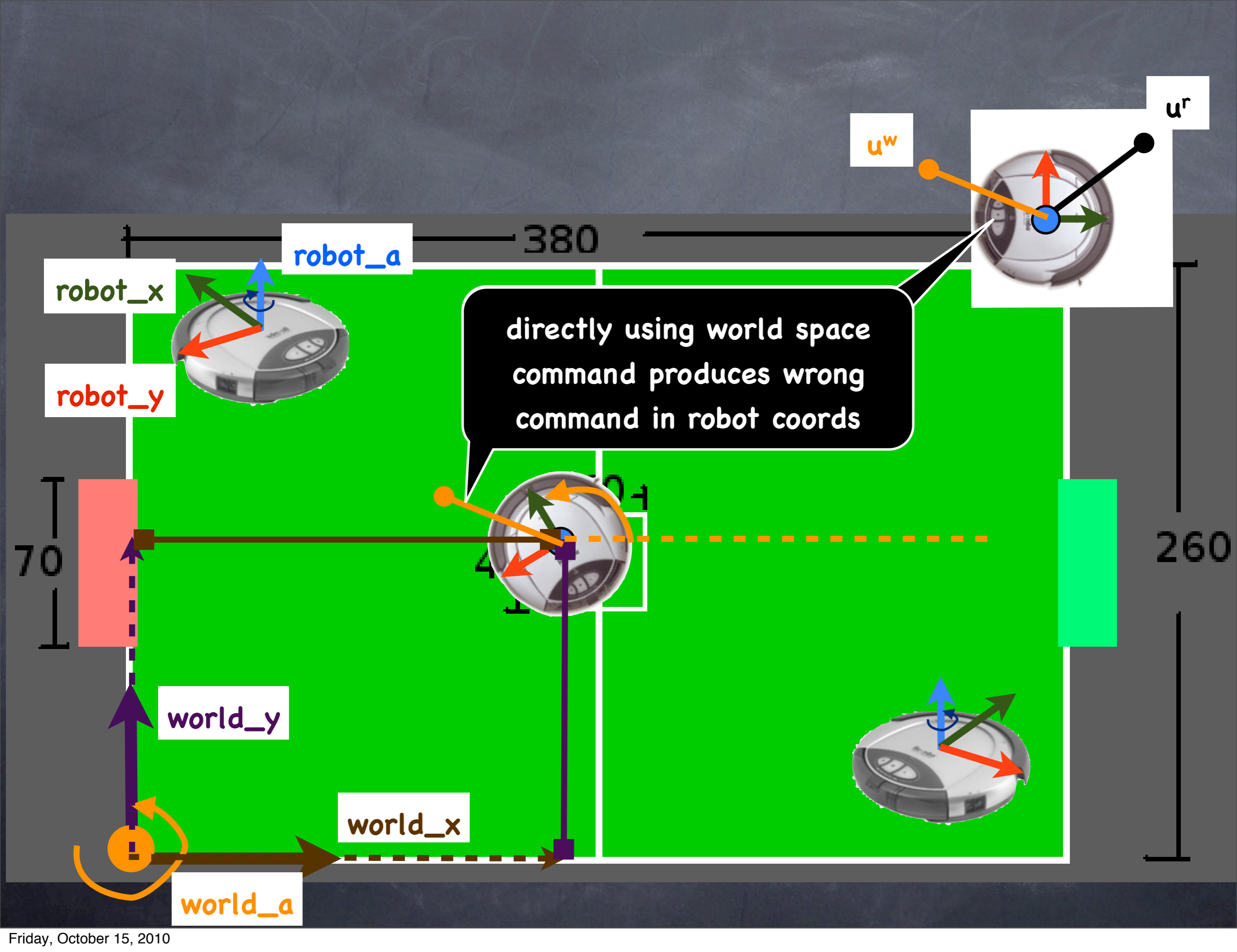
Dot Product

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n$$

- If one is a unit vector (length 1), the dot product is the projection onto this vector
- Related to angle between vectors

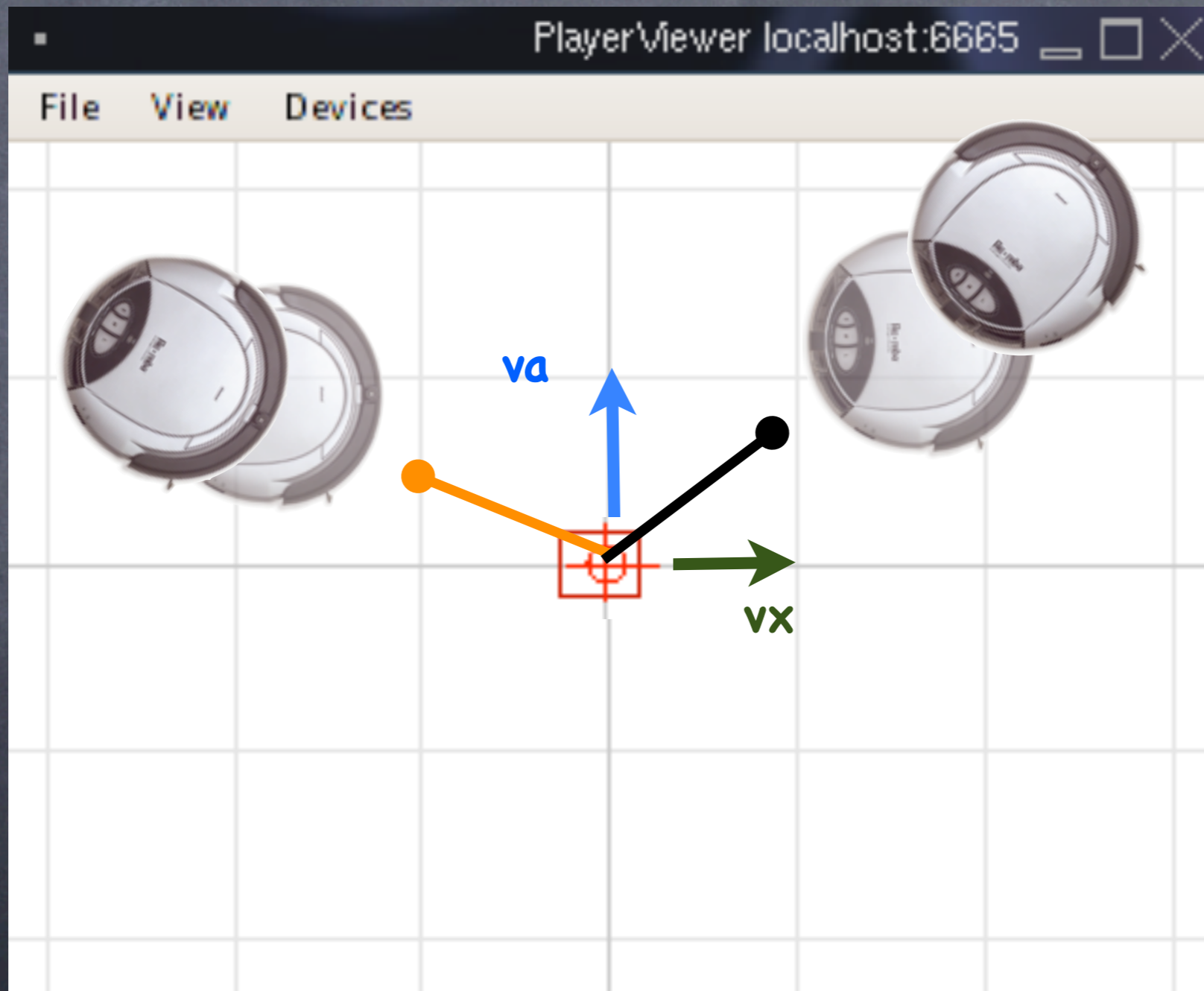


$$\theta = \arccos \left(\frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}|} \right).$$

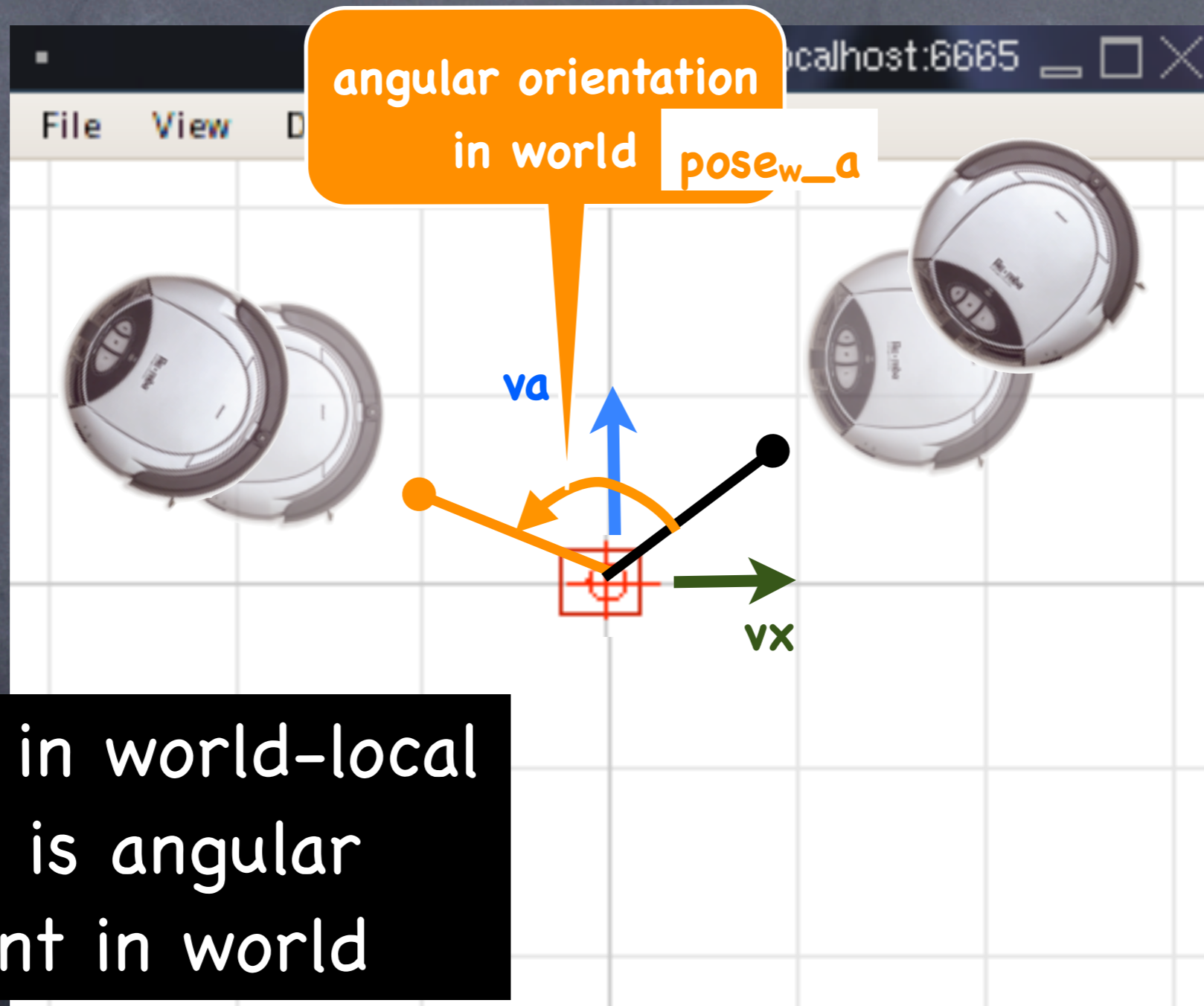


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How can we transform control vector into robot coords?

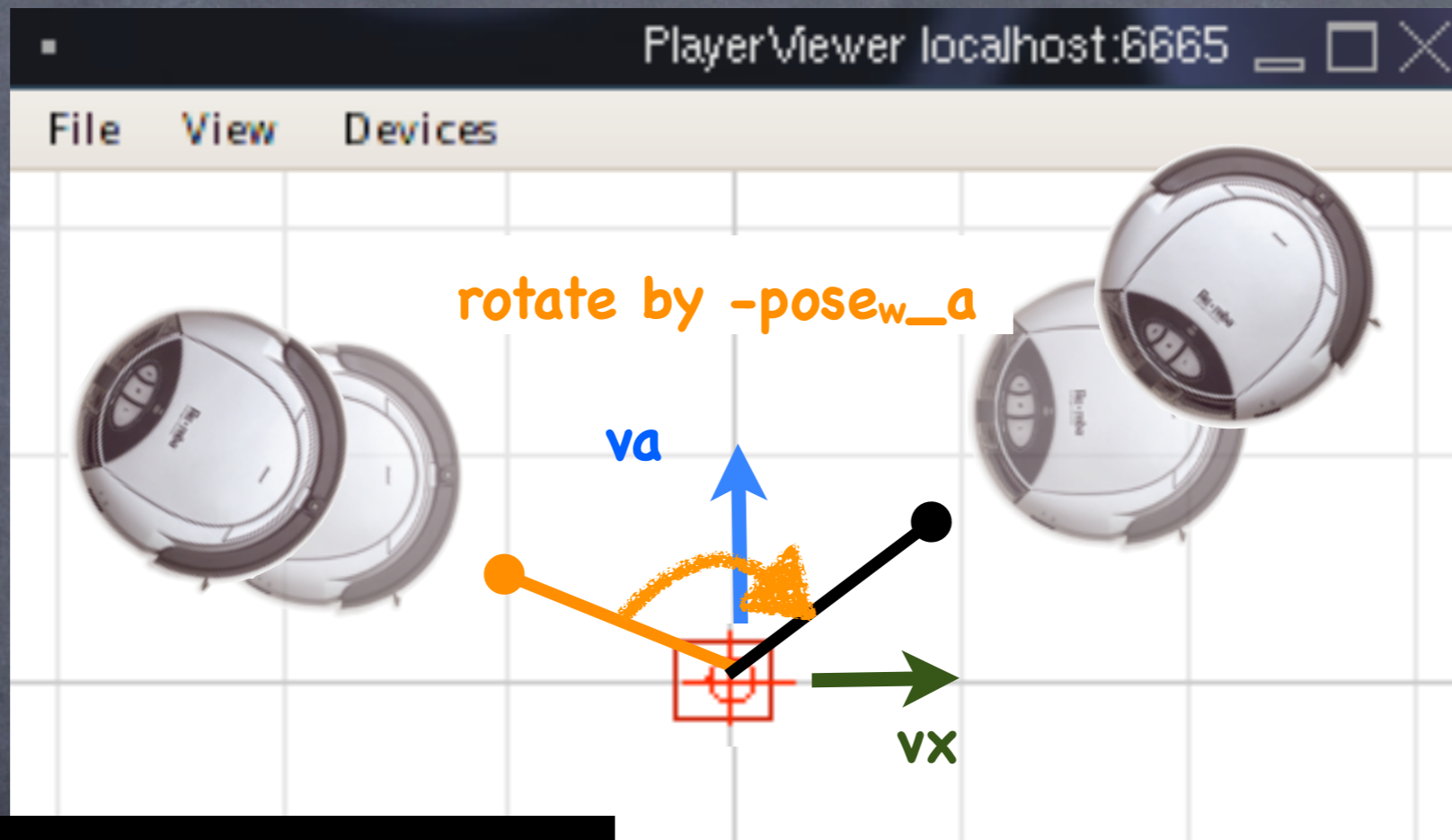


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Difference in world-local orientation is angular displacement in world

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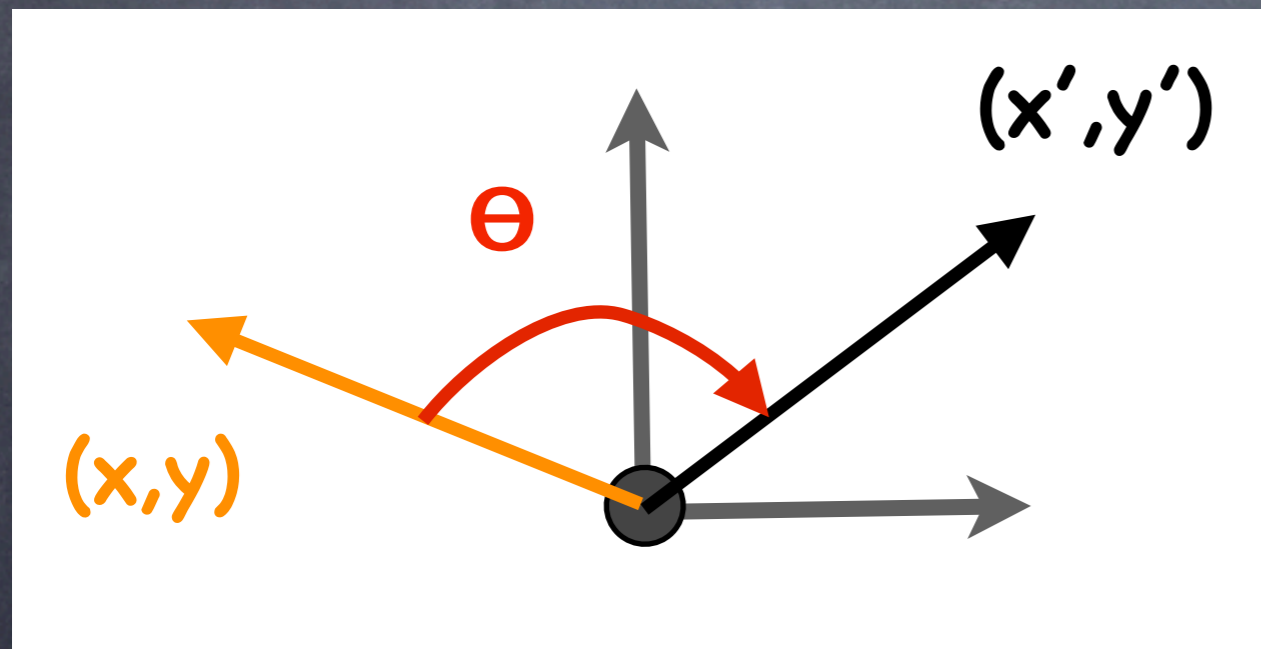


Difference in world-local orientation is angular displacement in world

"Undo" world space orientation: rotate control by $-pose_w_a$

Rotating a 2D vector

(counterclockwise)



$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

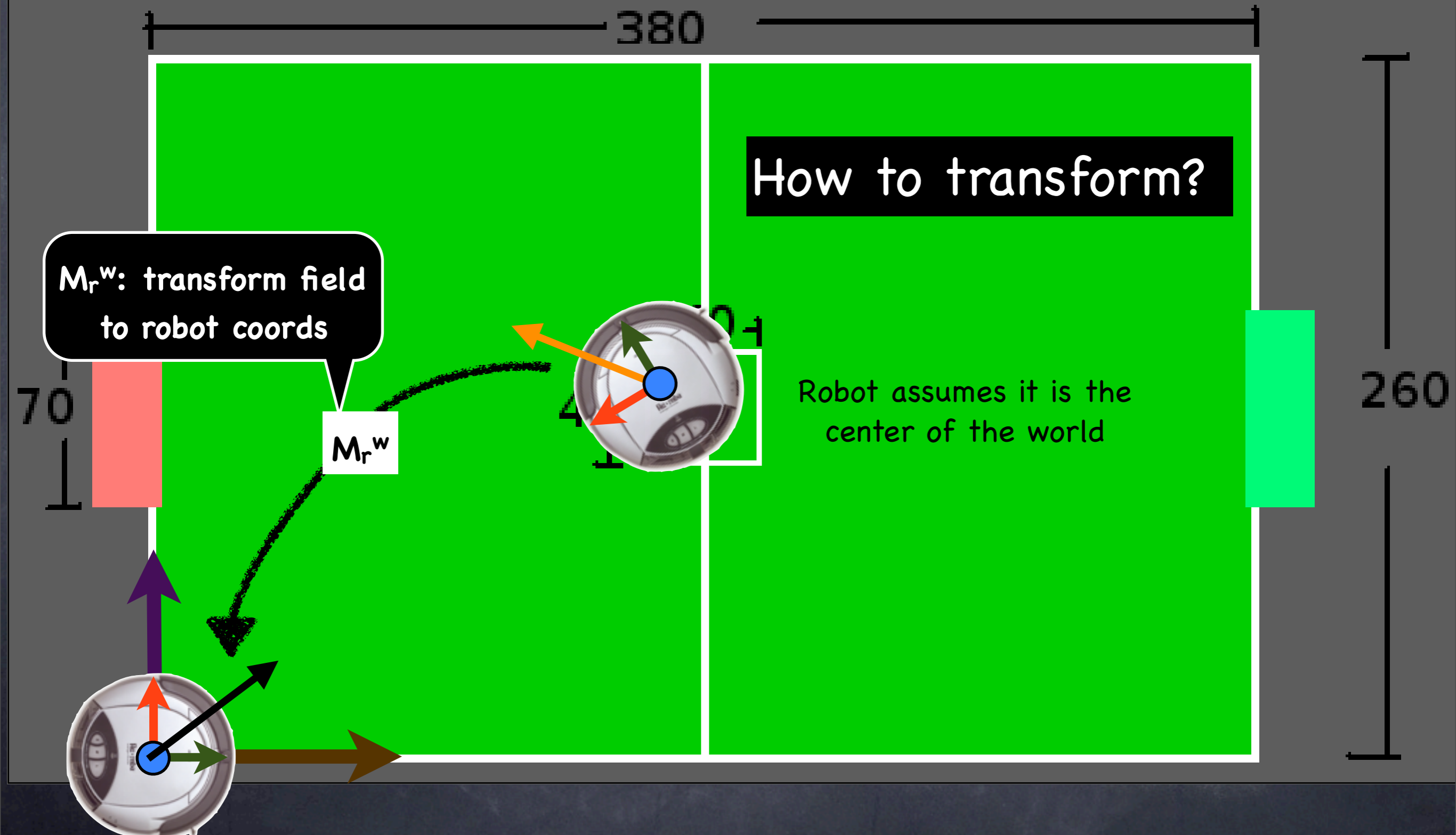
- Matrix multiply vector by 2D rotation matrix
- Matrix parameterized by rotation angle
- Check matrix correctness yourself

Matrix multiplication

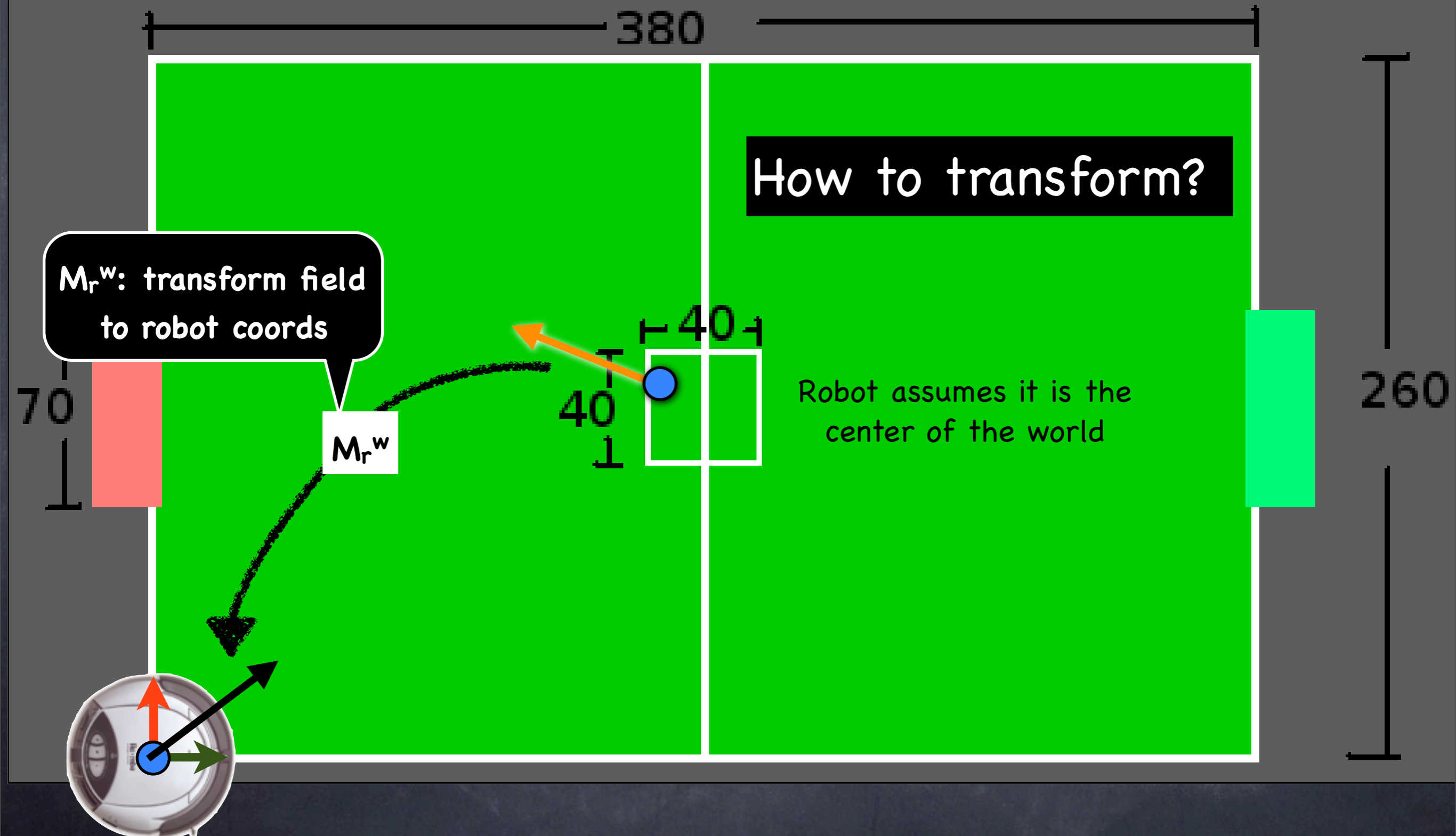
$$\begin{array}{c} 3 \times 4 \text{ matrix} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{2} & \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{4} \end{array} \right] \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 4 \times 5 \text{ matrix} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mathbf{a} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mathbf{b} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mathbf{c} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mathbf{d} & \cdot \end{array} \right] \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} 3 \times 5 \text{ matrix} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mathbf{x}_{3,4} & \cdot \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{3,4} &= (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4}) \cdot (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) \\ &= \mathbf{1} \times \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{2} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{3} \times \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{4} \times \mathbf{d} \end{aligned}$$

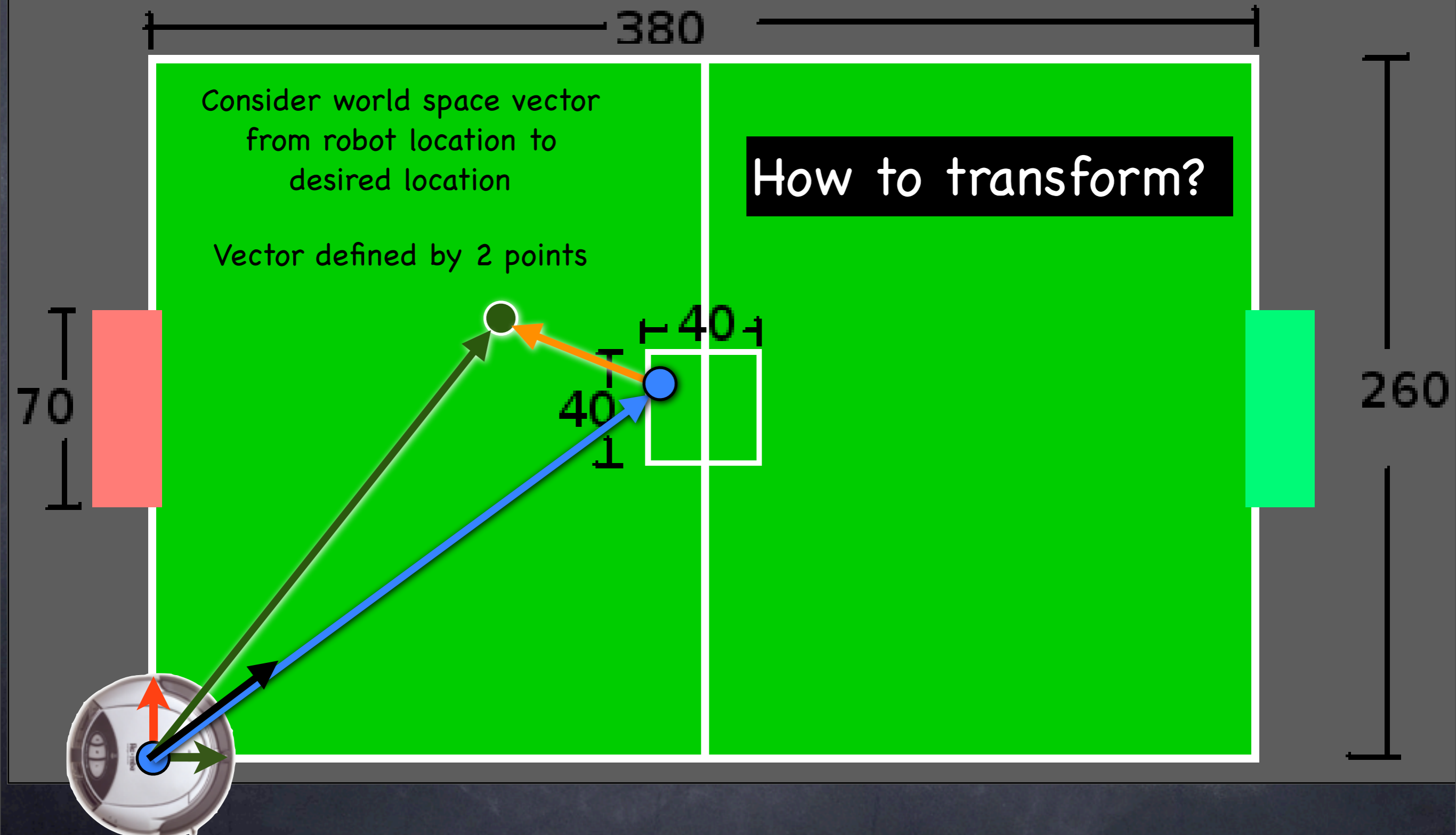
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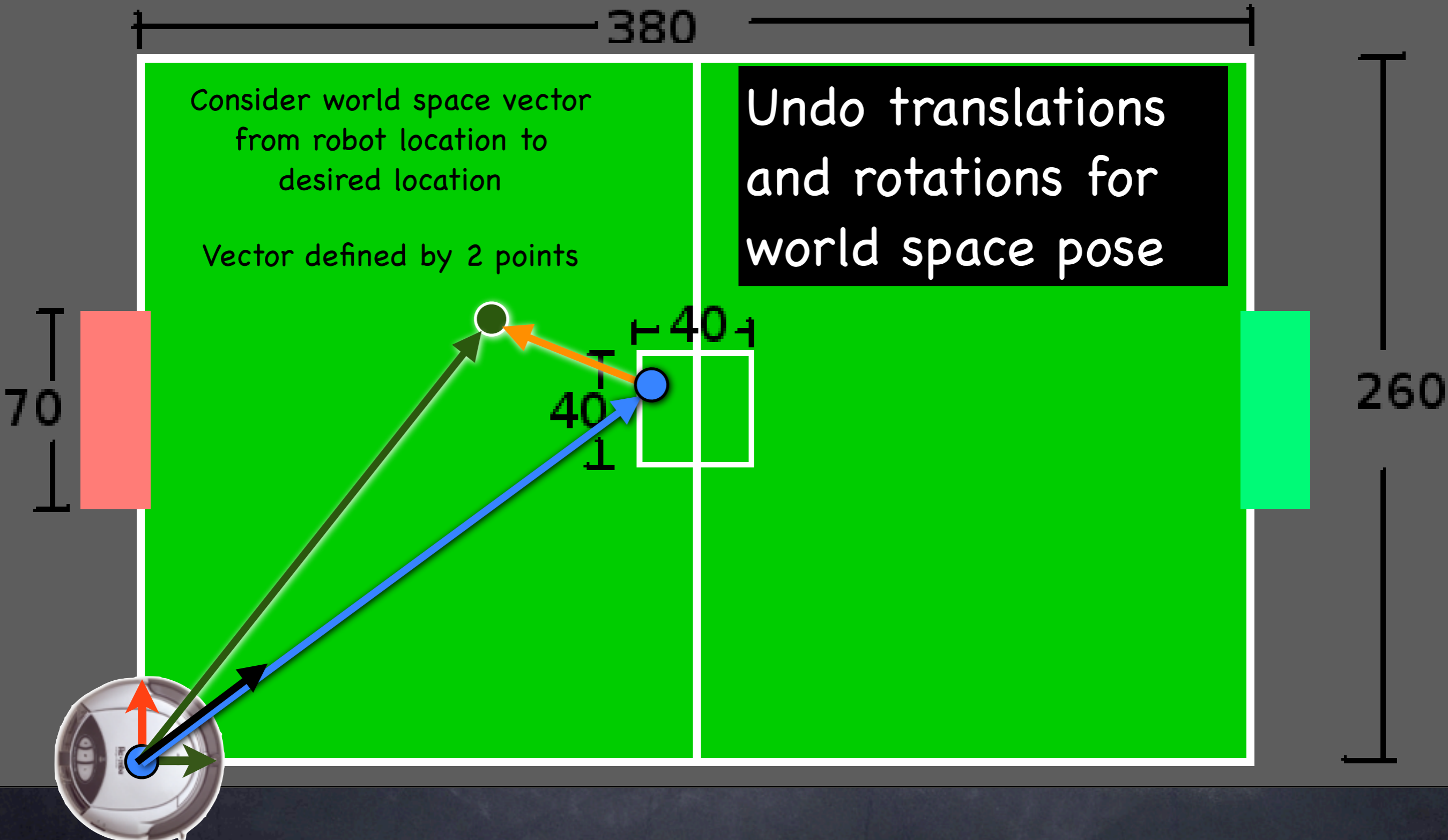
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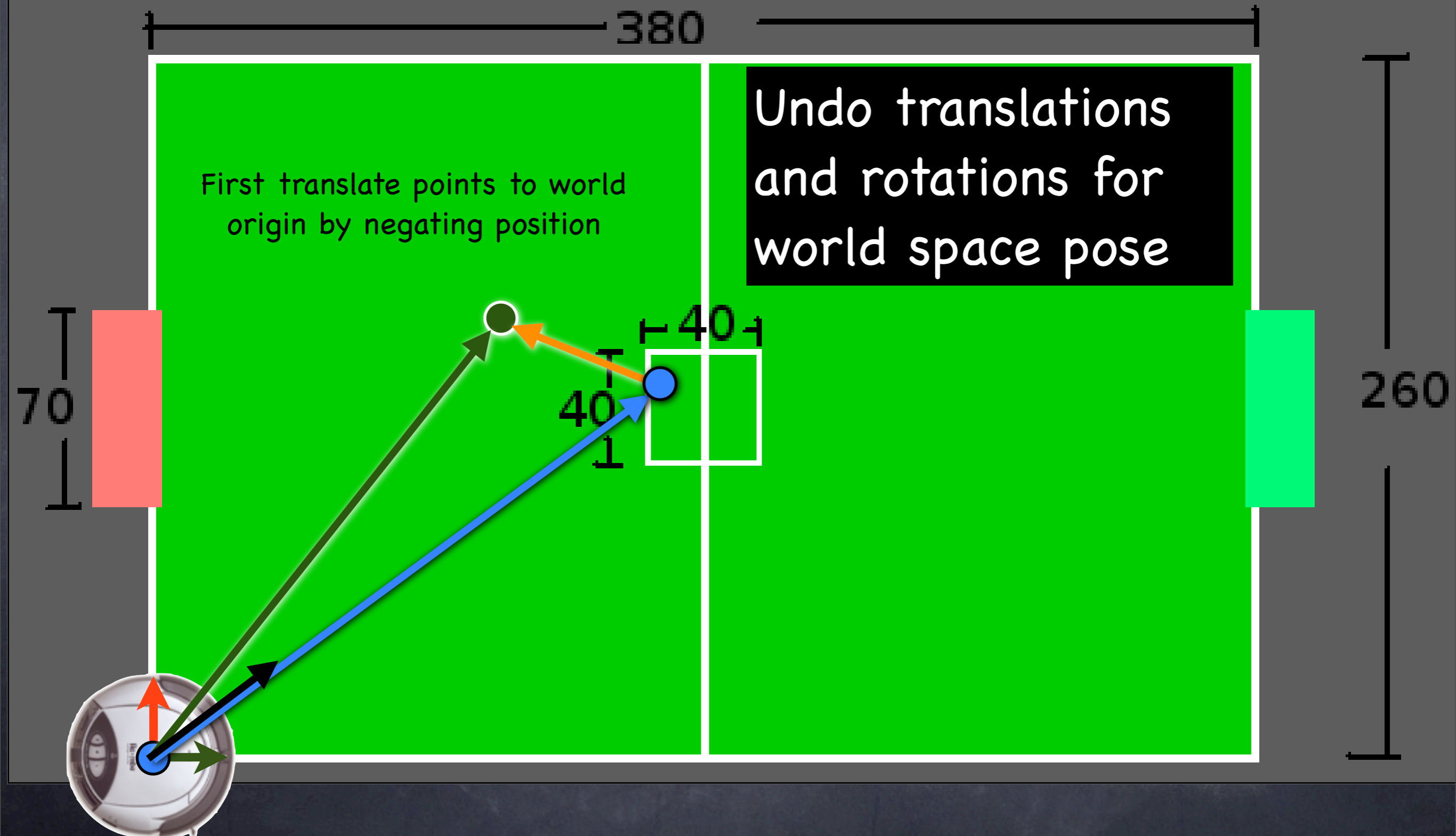
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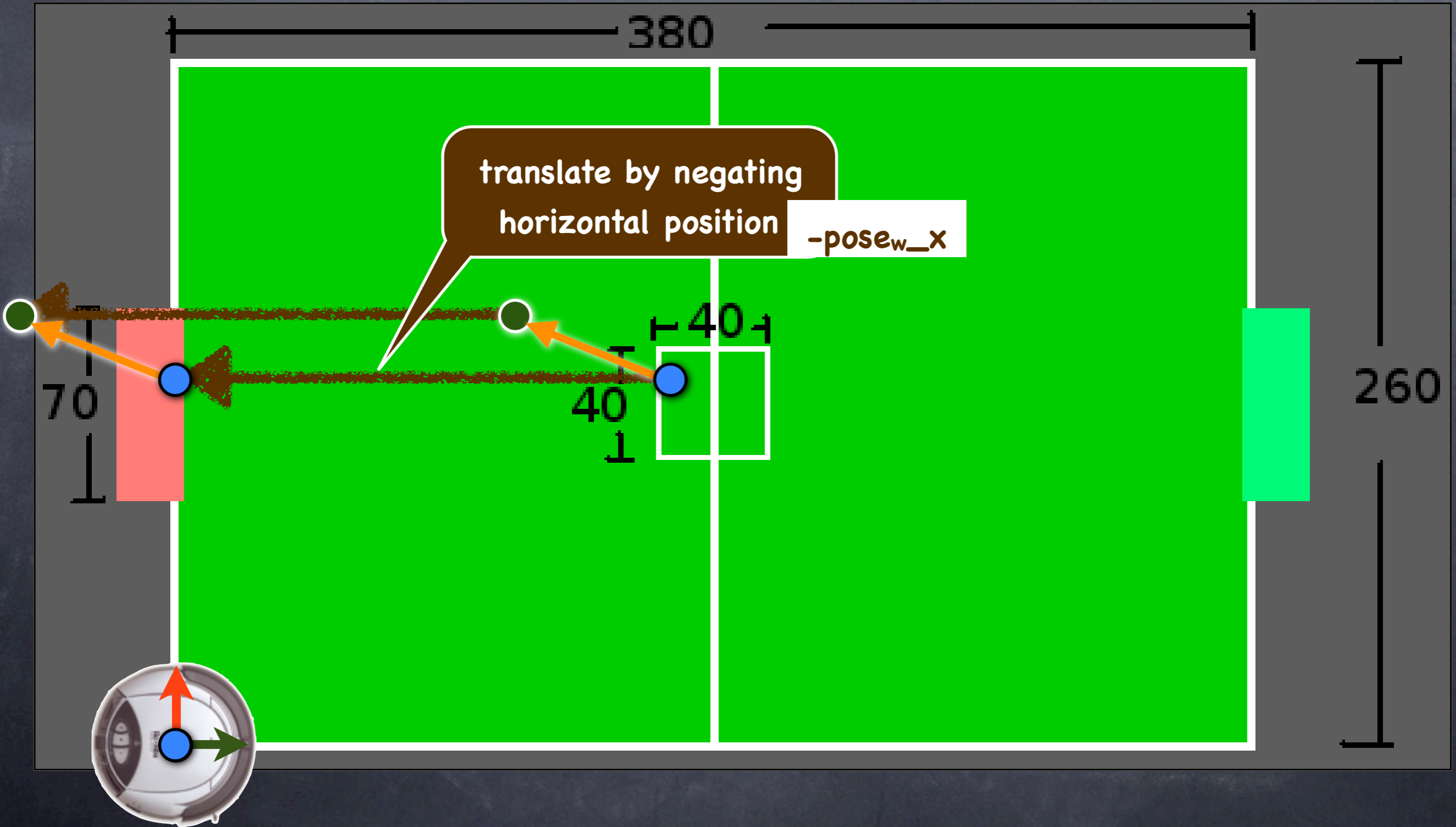


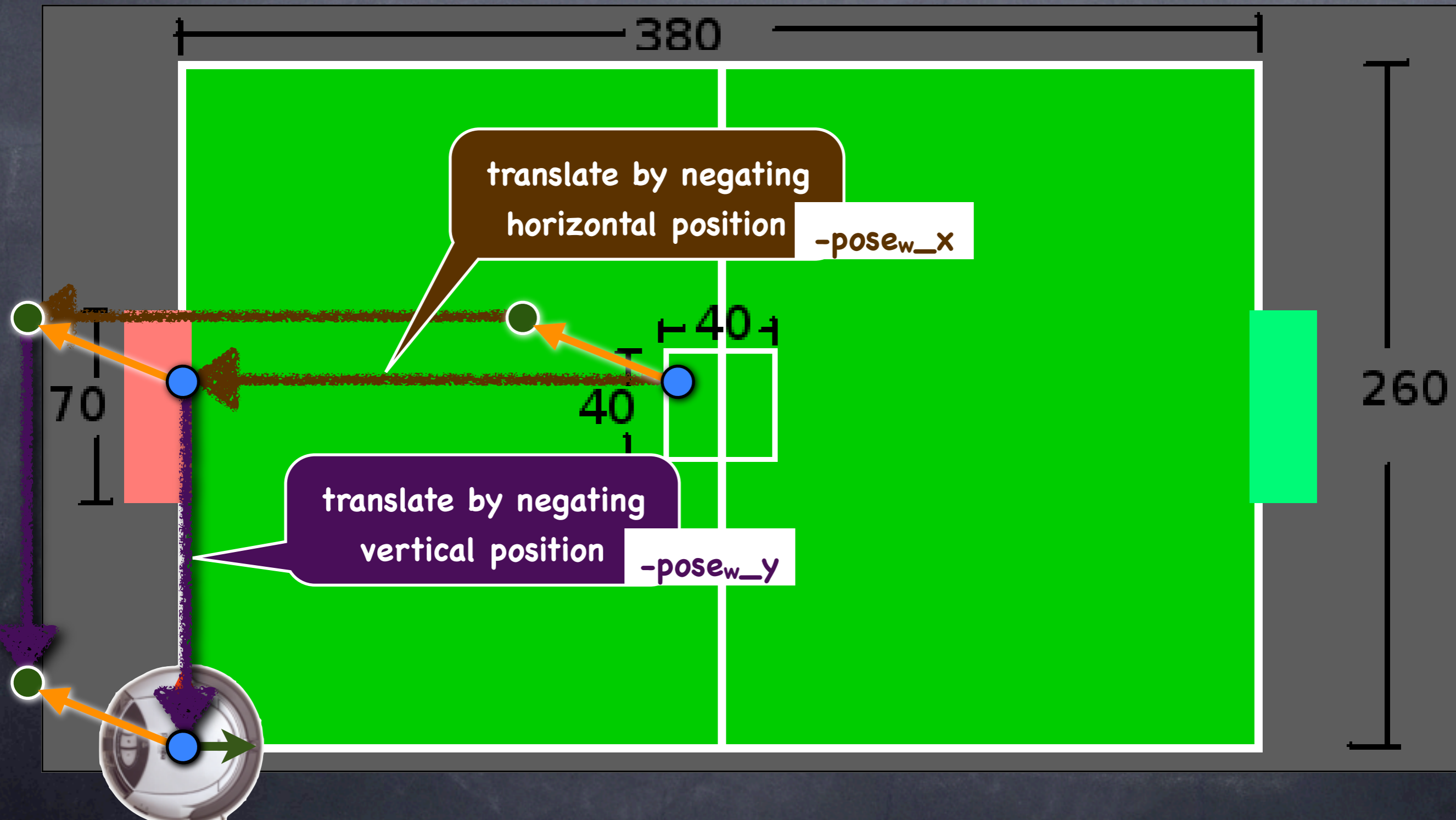
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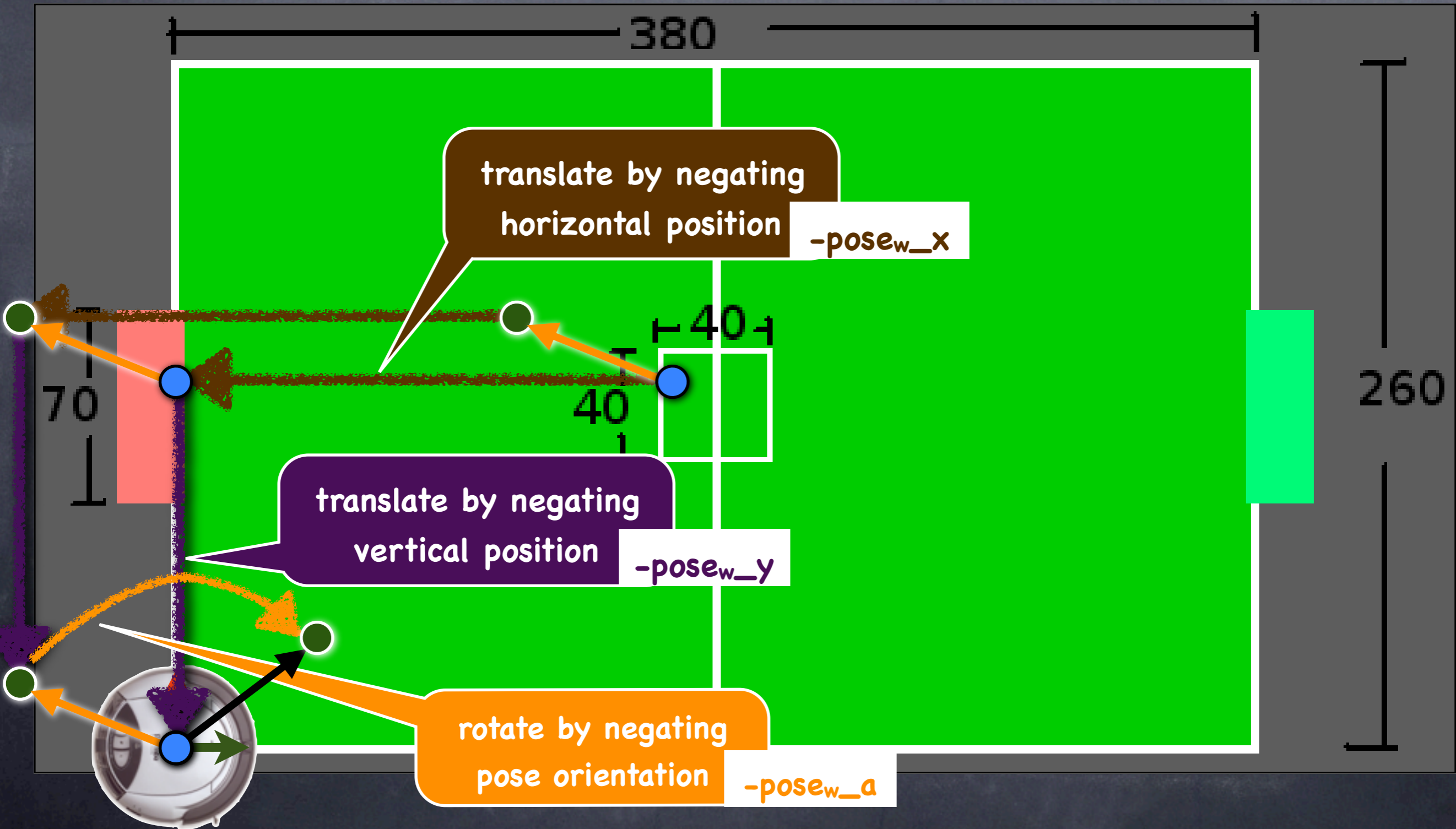
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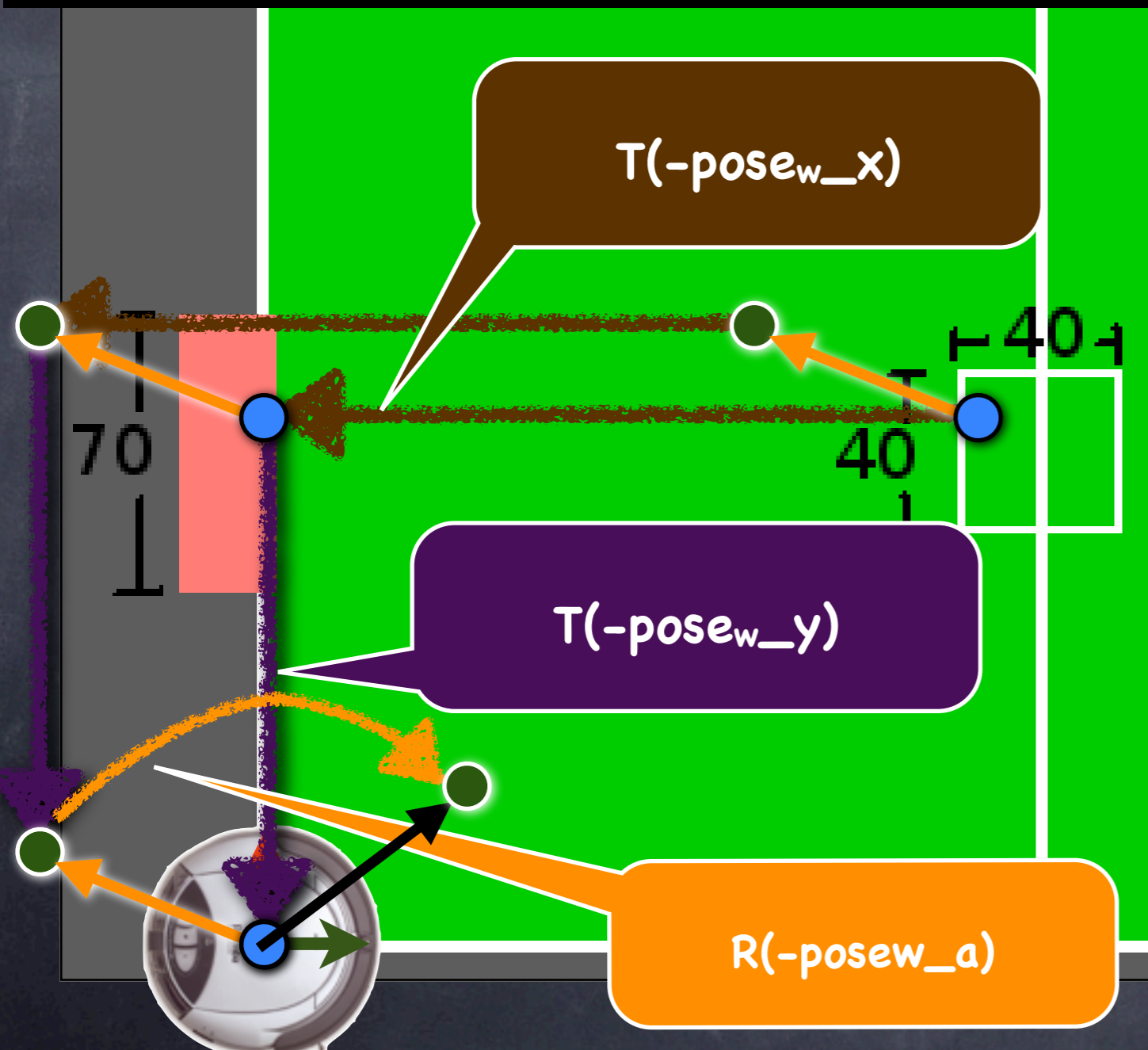


Pose space vector results from undoing world space translations and rotations on 2 points



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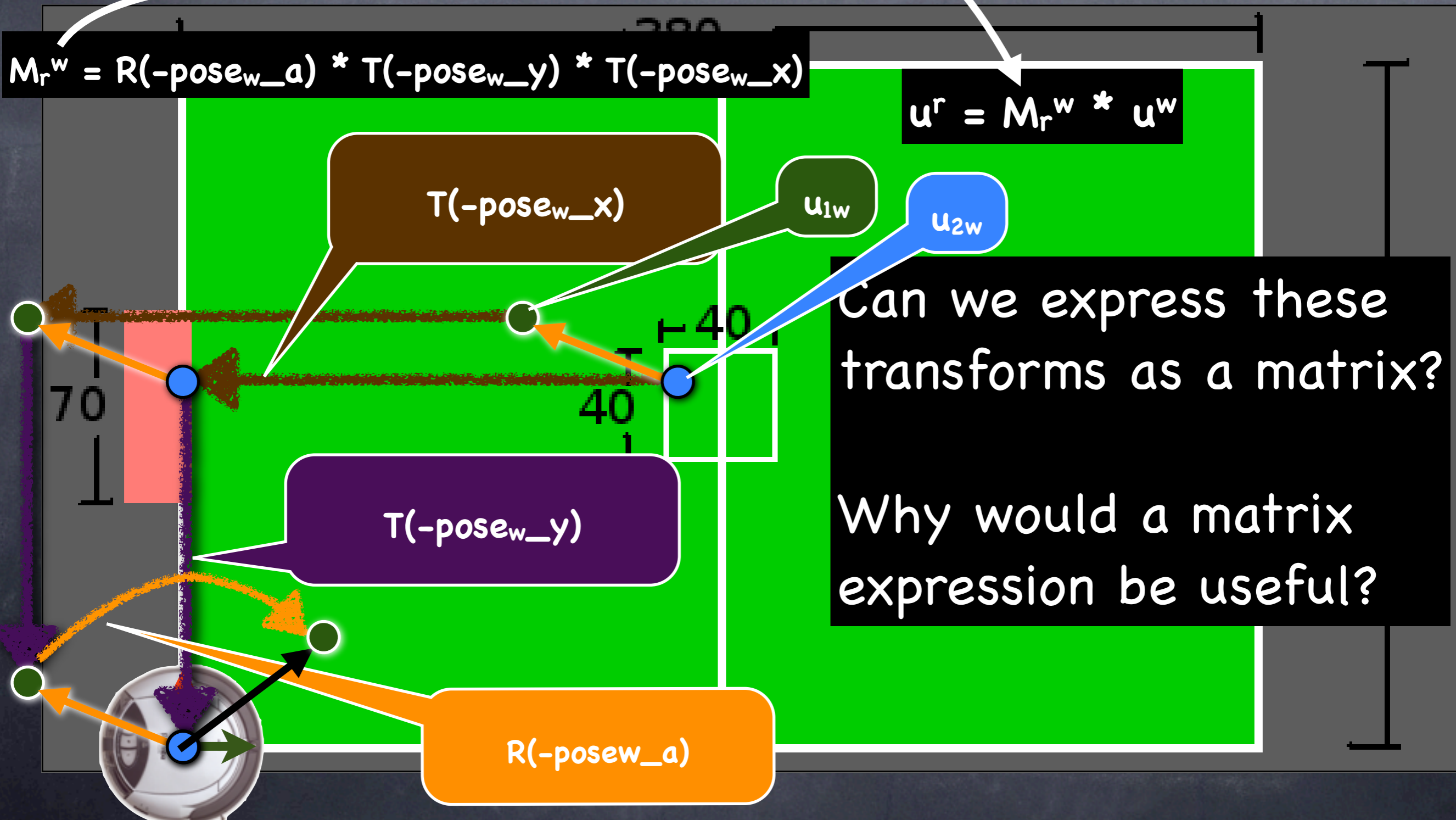


Can we express these transforms as a matrix?
Why would a matrix expression be useful?

Transform accomplished by multiplying points of vector by "pose-to-world" matrix

$$M_r^w = R(-\text{pose}_w_a) * T(-\text{pose}_w_y) * T(-\text{pose}_w_x)$$

$$u^r = M_r^w * u^w$$



Are we all set to transform our vectors?

$$M_r^w = R(-pose_w_a) * T(-pose_w_y) * T(-pose_w_x)$$

$$u_r = M_r^w * u_w$$

$T(-pose_w_x)$

u_{1w}

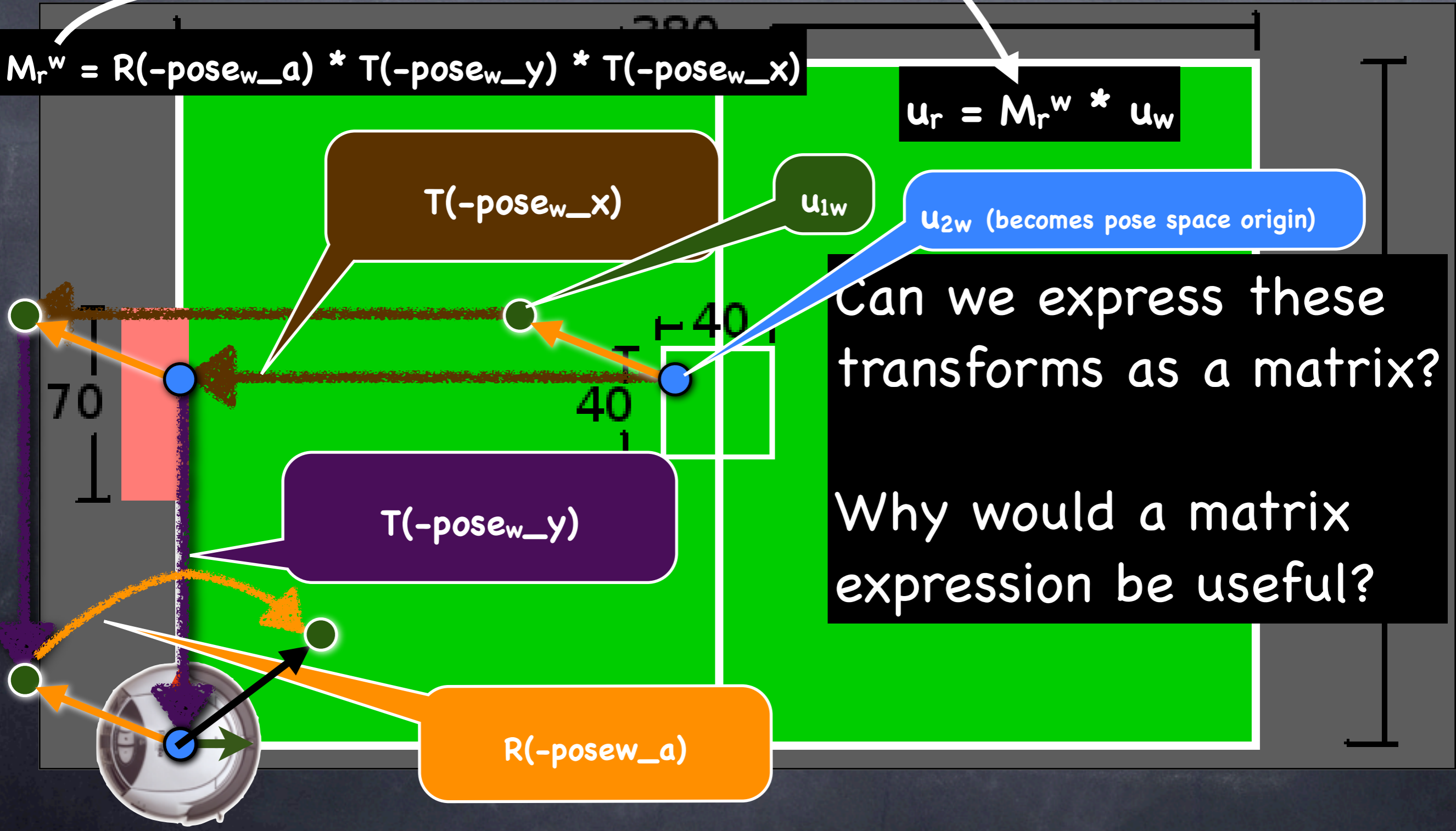
u_{2w} (becomes pose space origin)

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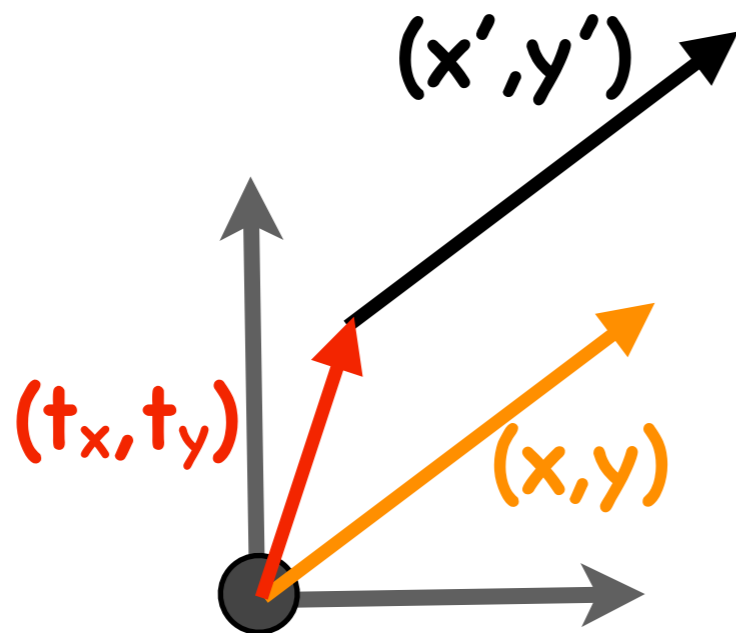
$T(-pose_w_y)$

$R(-pose_w_a)$



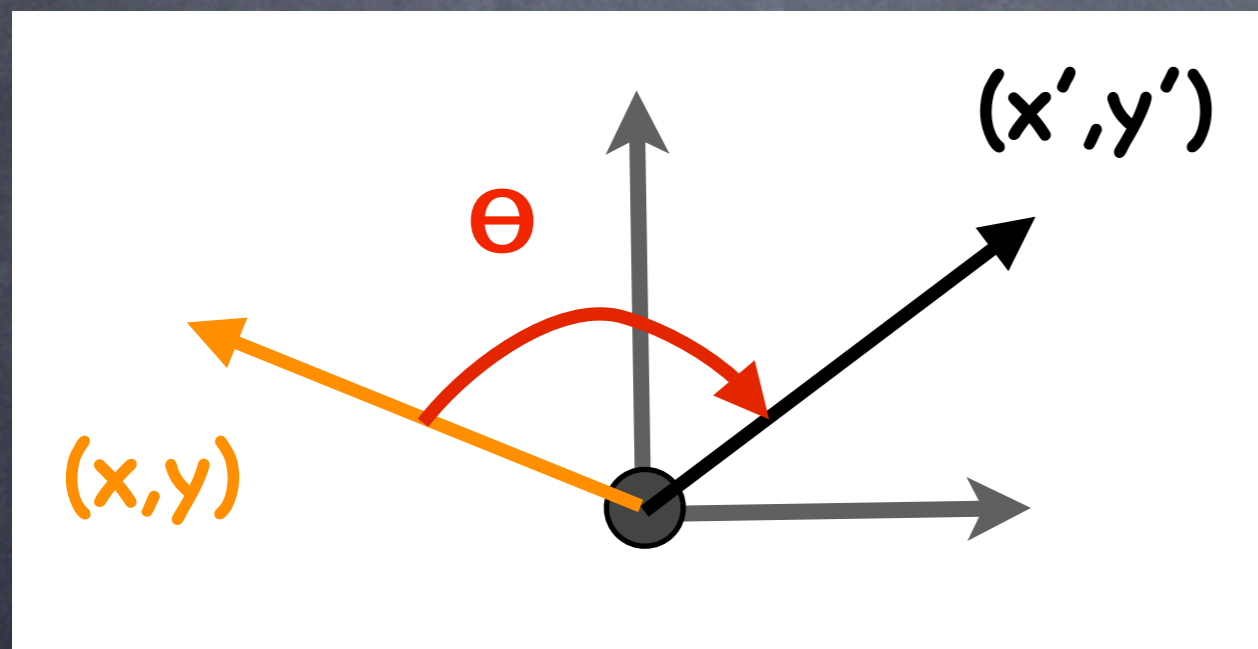
2D Translation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Requires "homogeneous coordinates"
- 3D vector with position concatenated with a 1
- Matrix parameterized by horizontal and vertical displacement

Homogeneous 2D rotation matrix



$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

u^r

Rotate to align

Translate to origin

 u^w

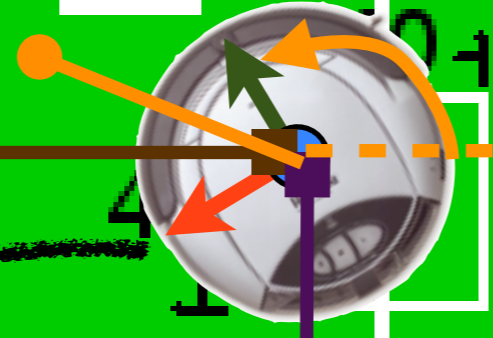
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 M_w^r

Θ : pose rotation
 t_x, t_y : pose position

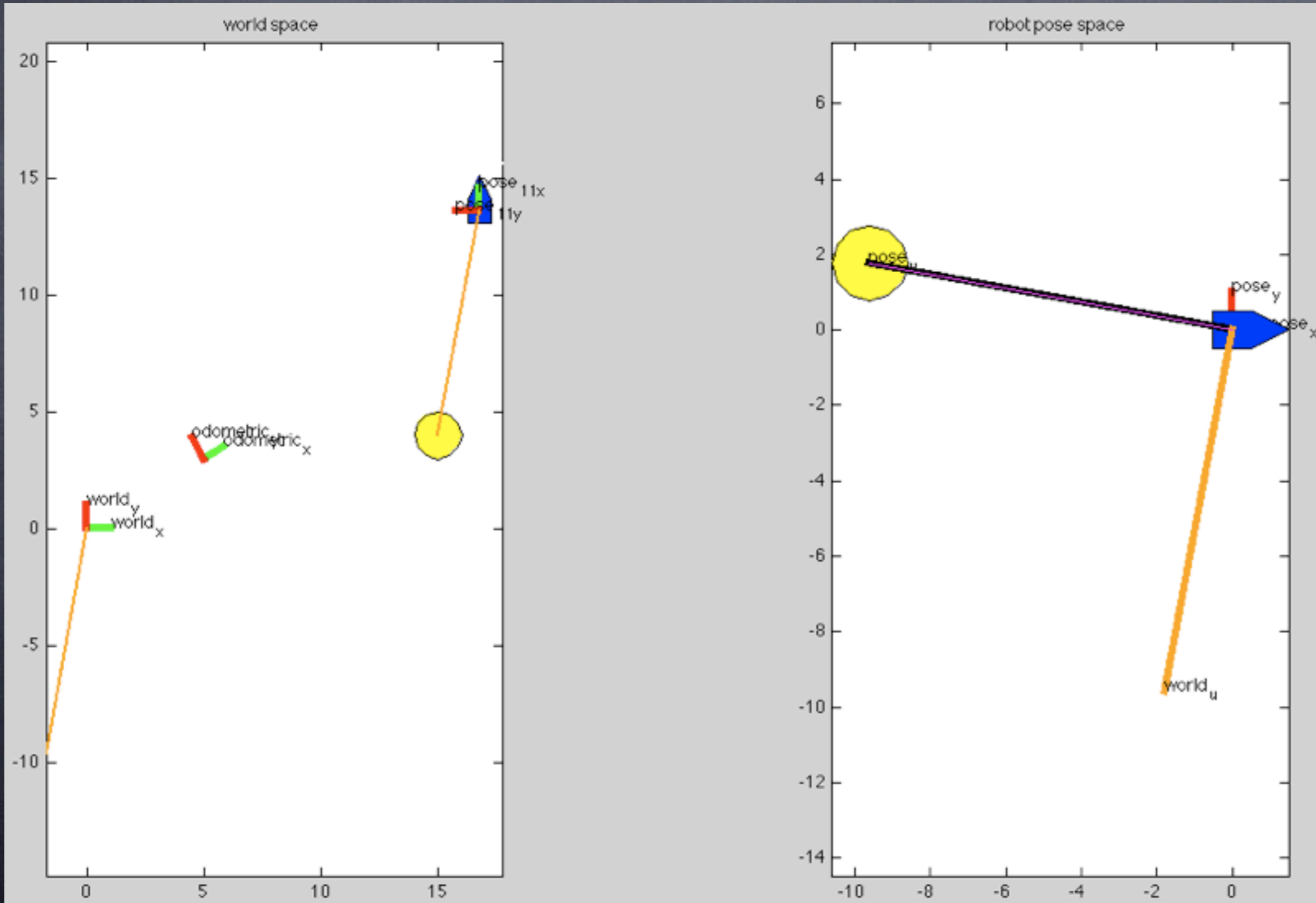
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 M_w^r u^w u^r 

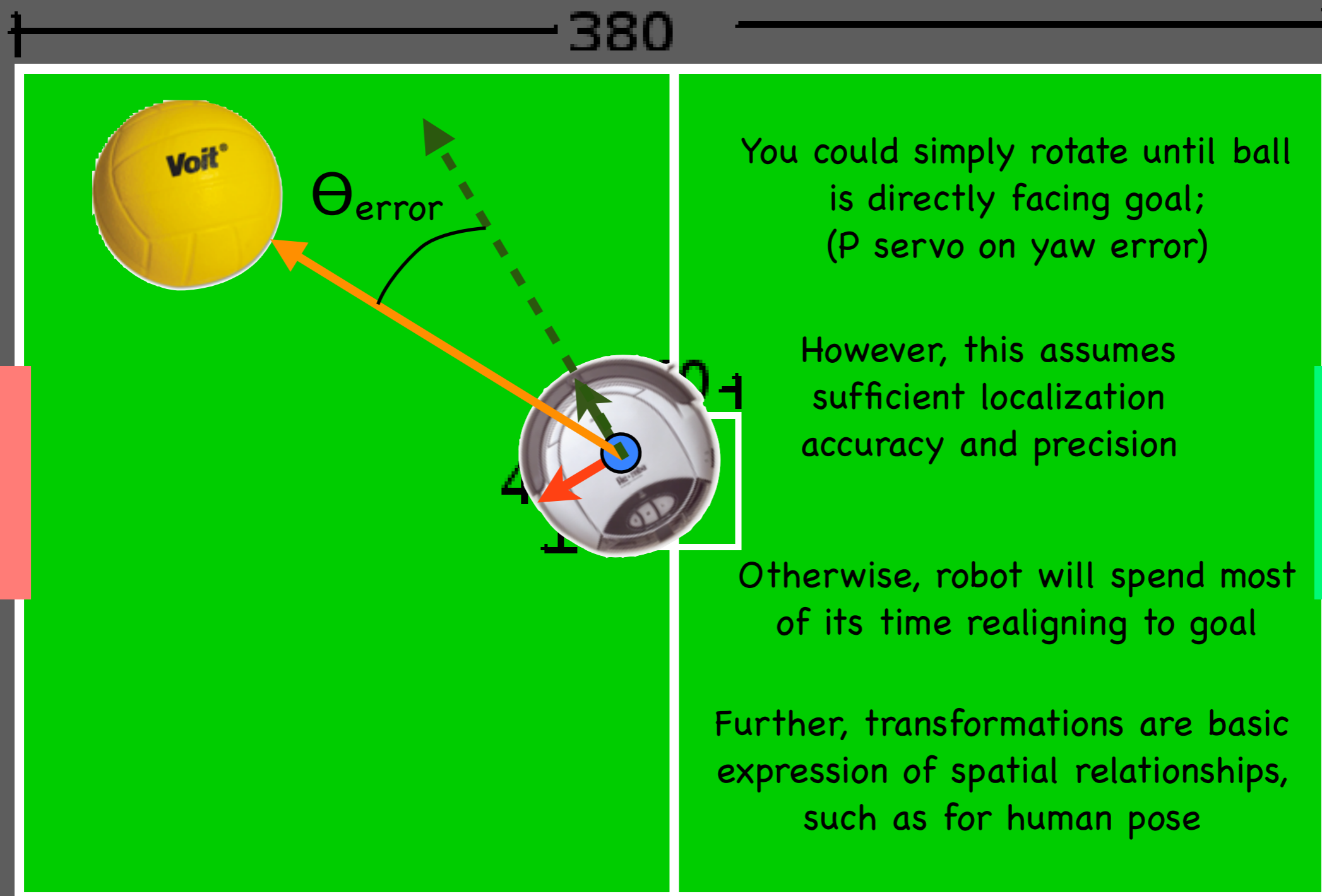
matlab example

• `/course/cs148/pub/odometry_coordinate_transform.m`



with
odometry

Why bother with transforms?

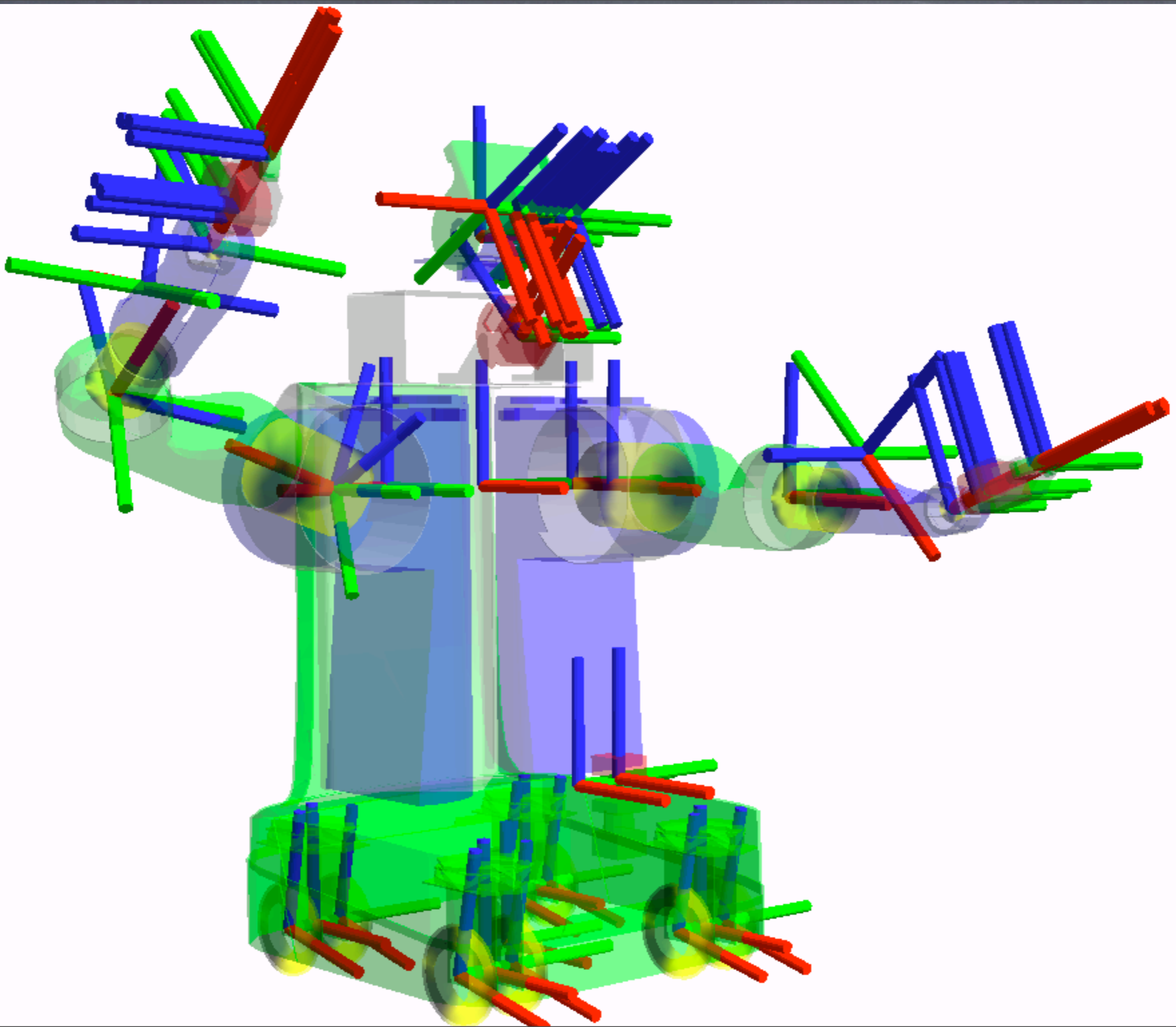


You could simply rotate until ball is directly facing goal; (P servo on yaw error)

However, this assumes sufficient localization accuracy and precision

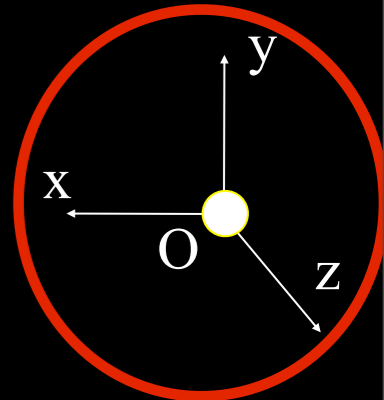
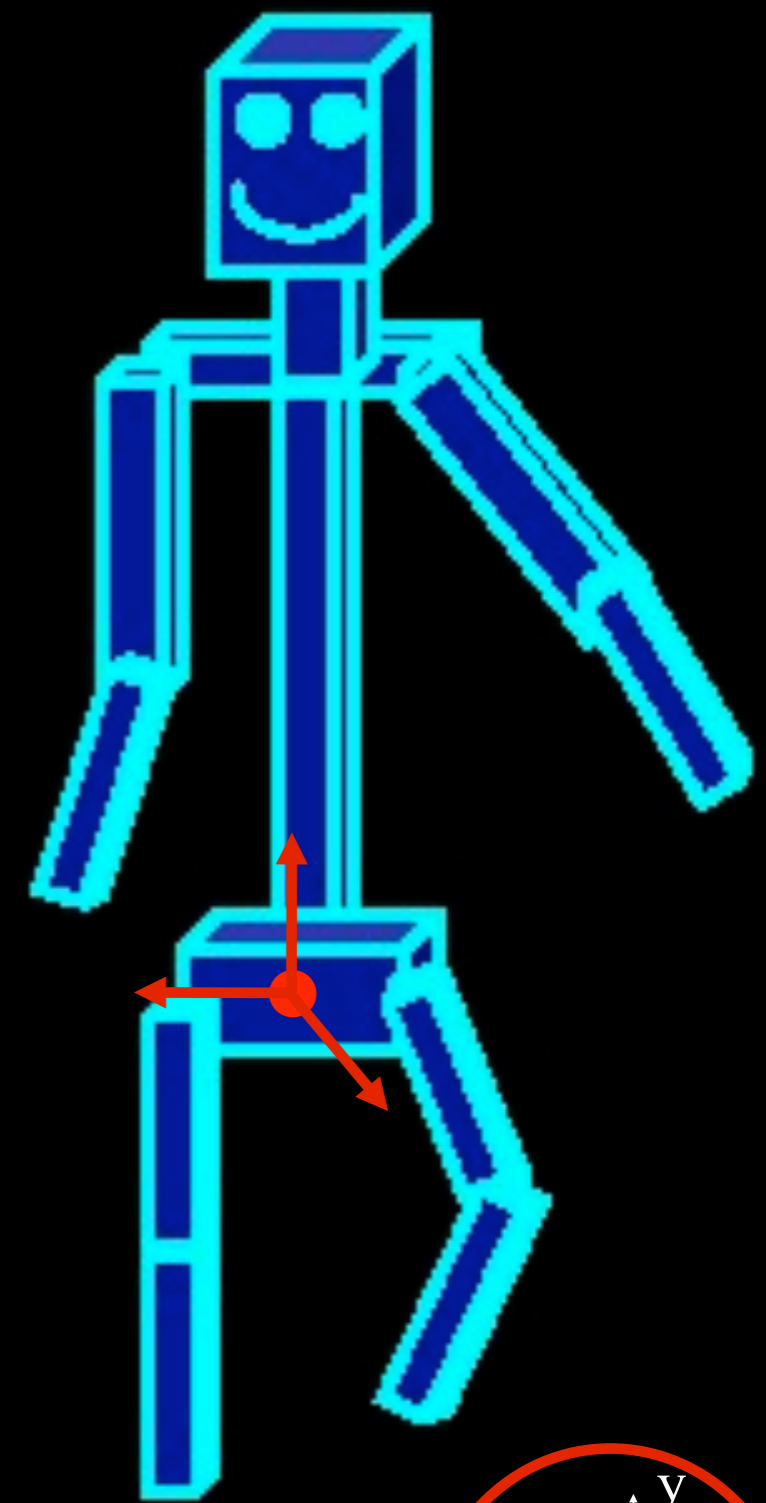
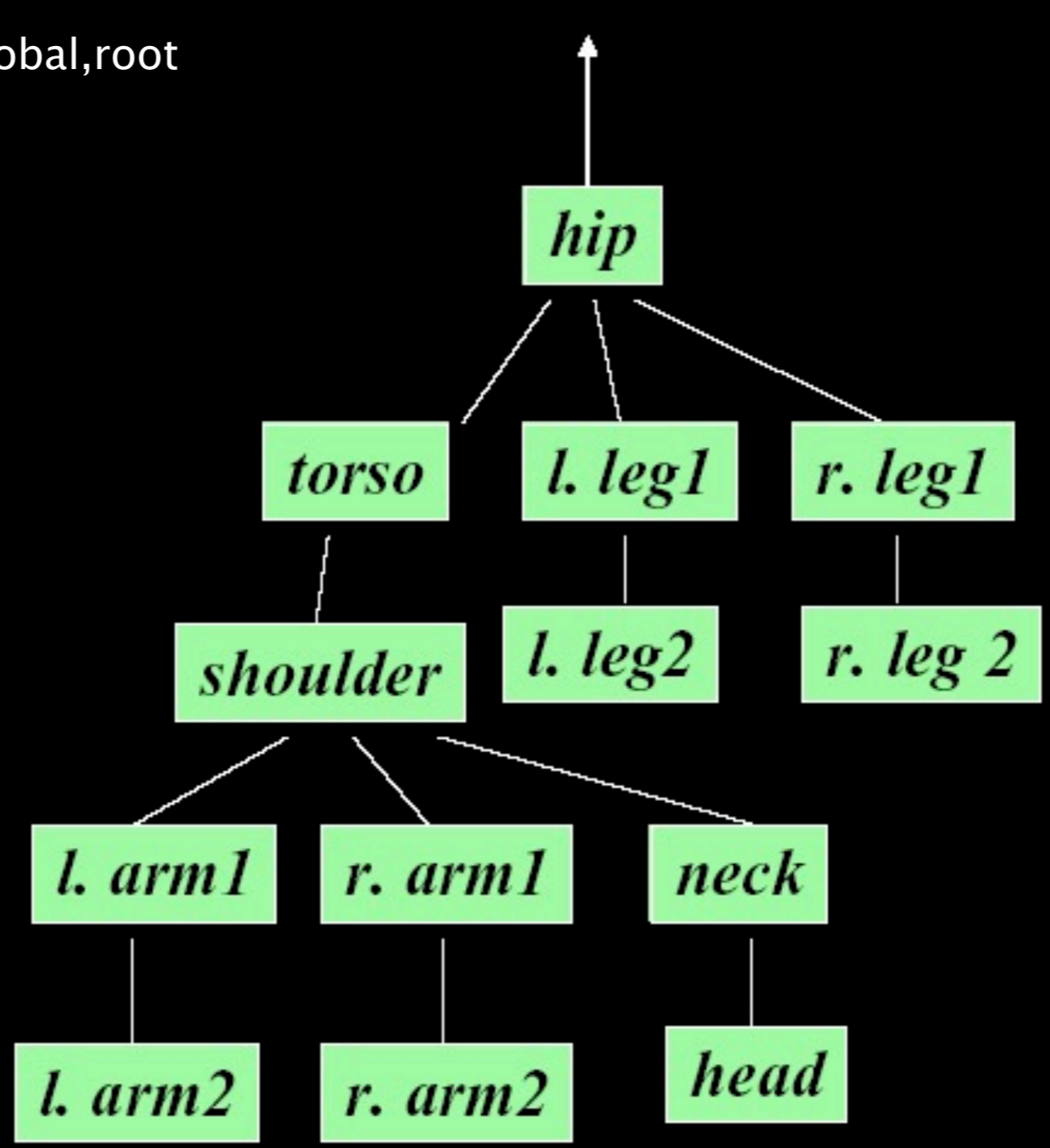
Otherwise, robot will spend most of its time realigning to goal

Further, transformations are basic expression of spatial relationships, such as for human pose



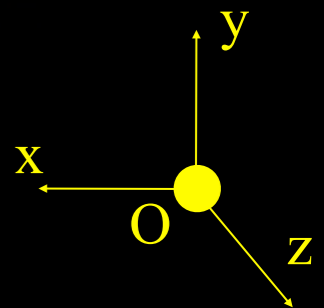
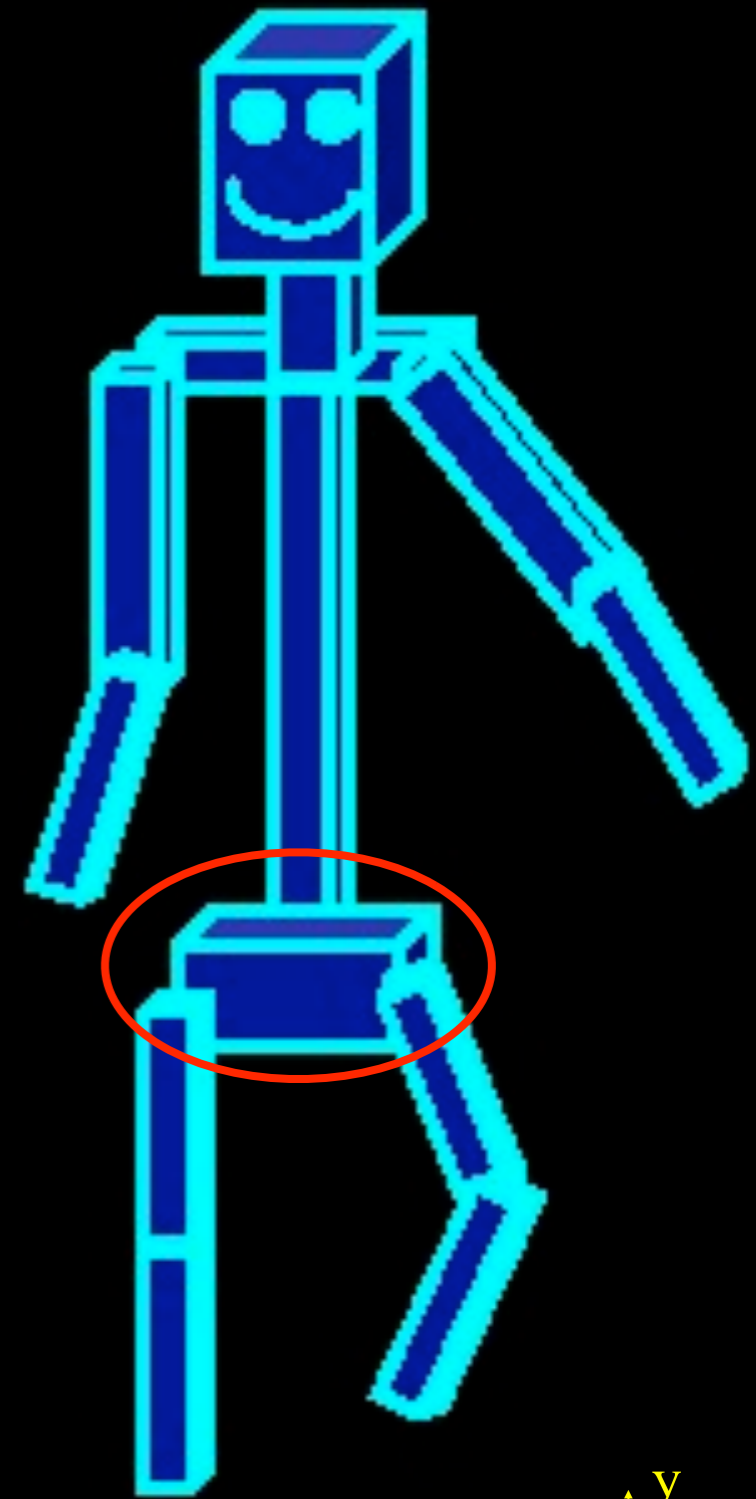
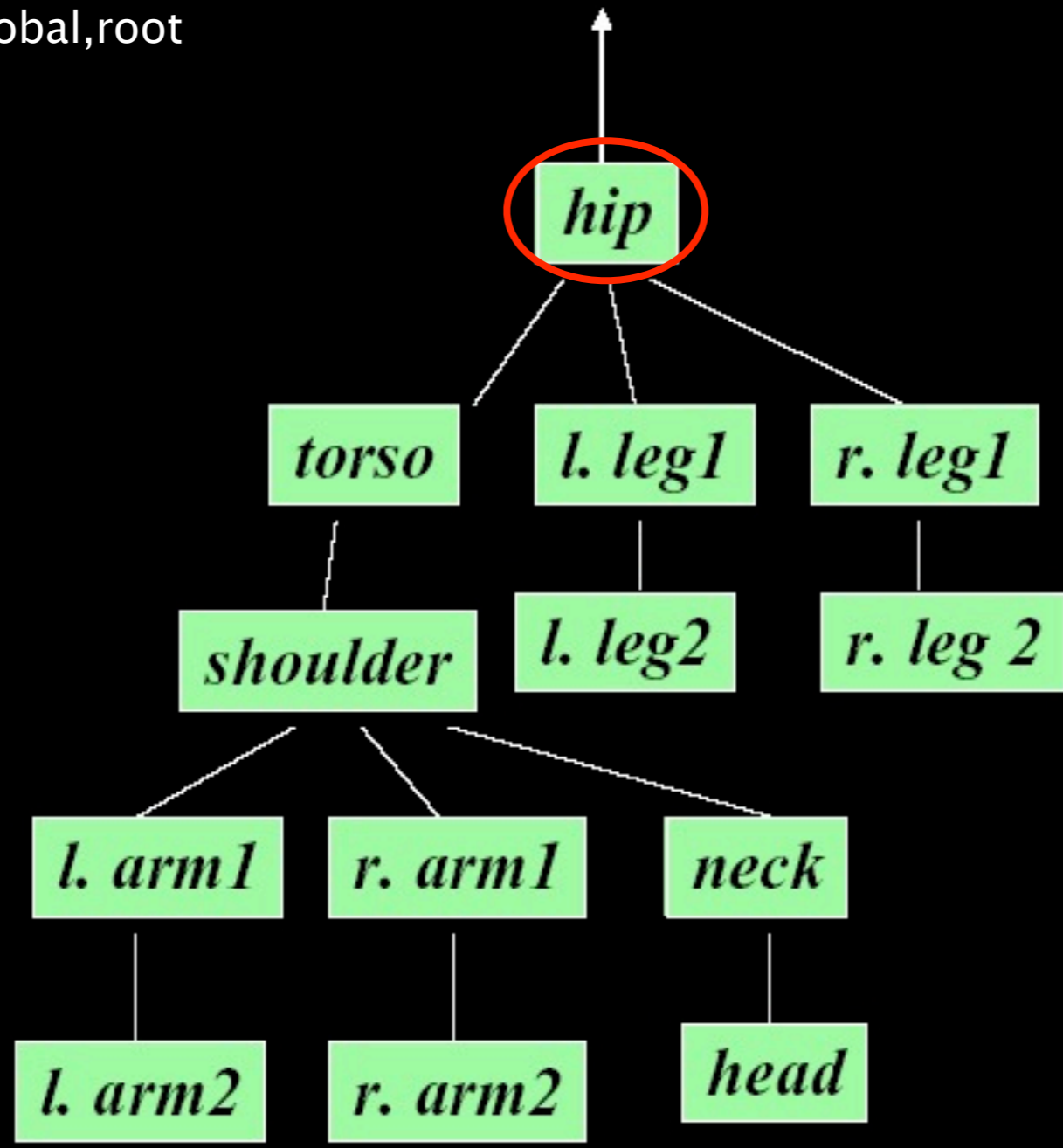
Human figure kinematics

- Global coordinates – absolute root



Human figure kinematics

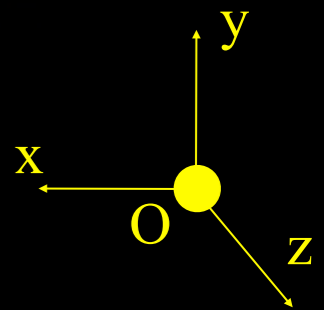
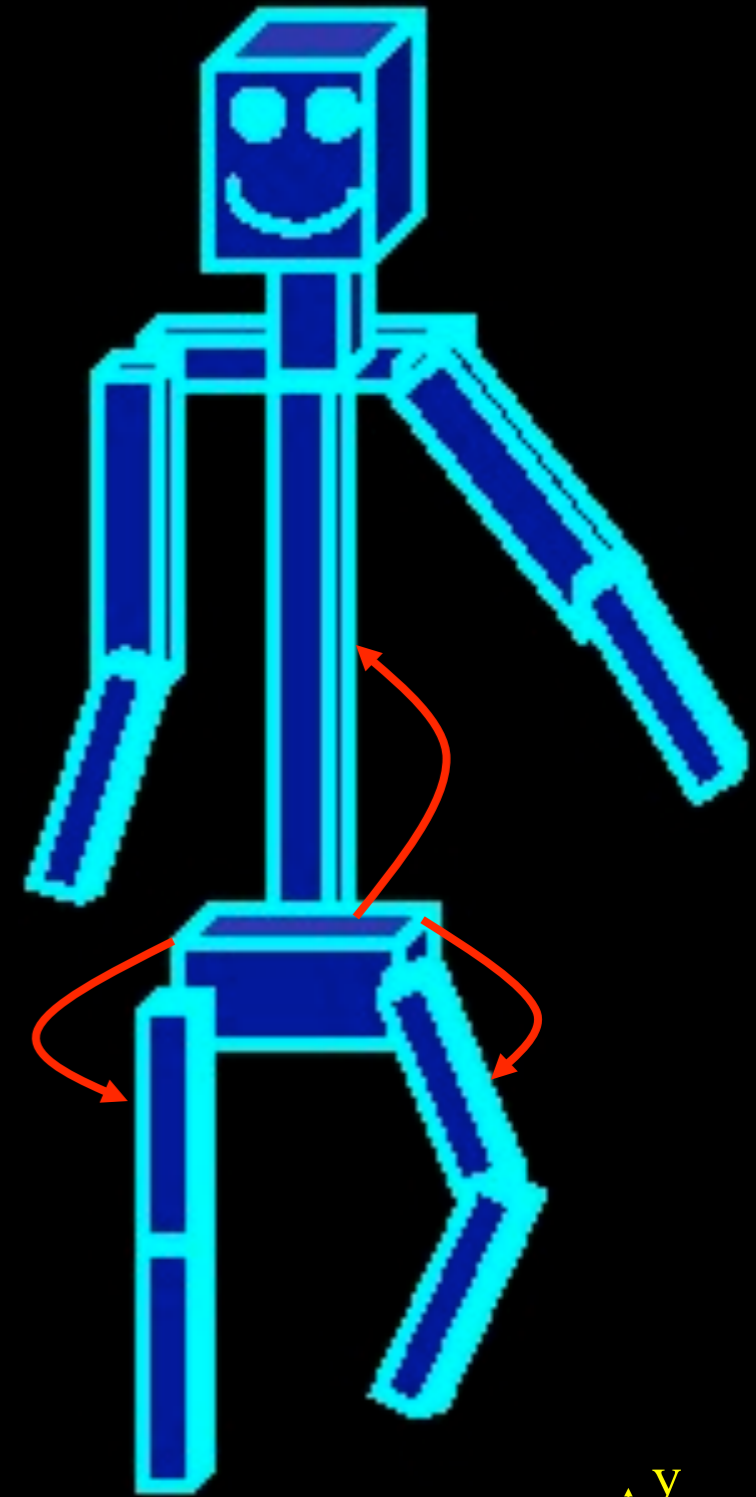
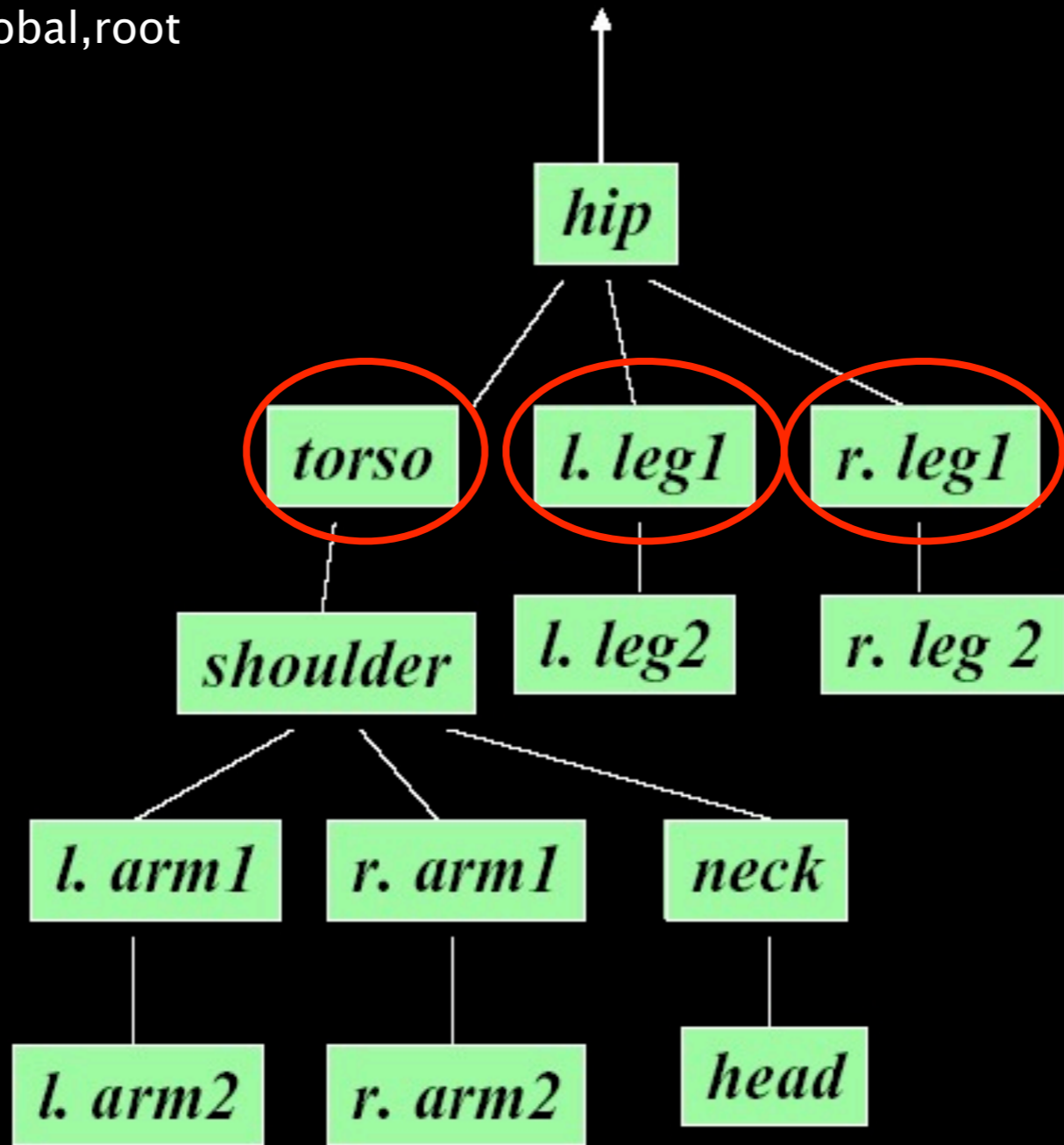
- Global coordinates – absolute root $T_{global,root}$
- Body root





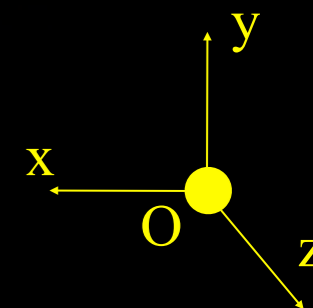
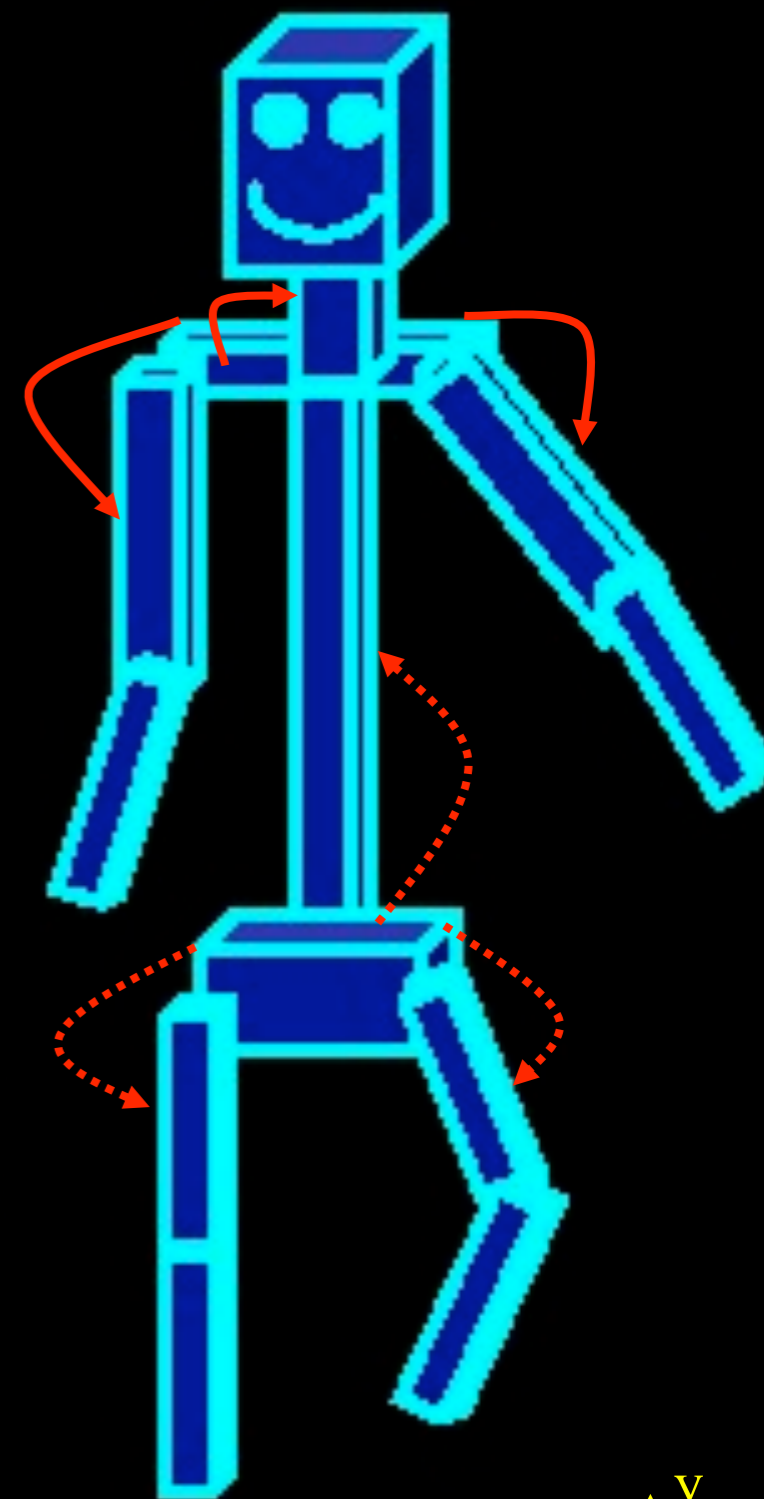
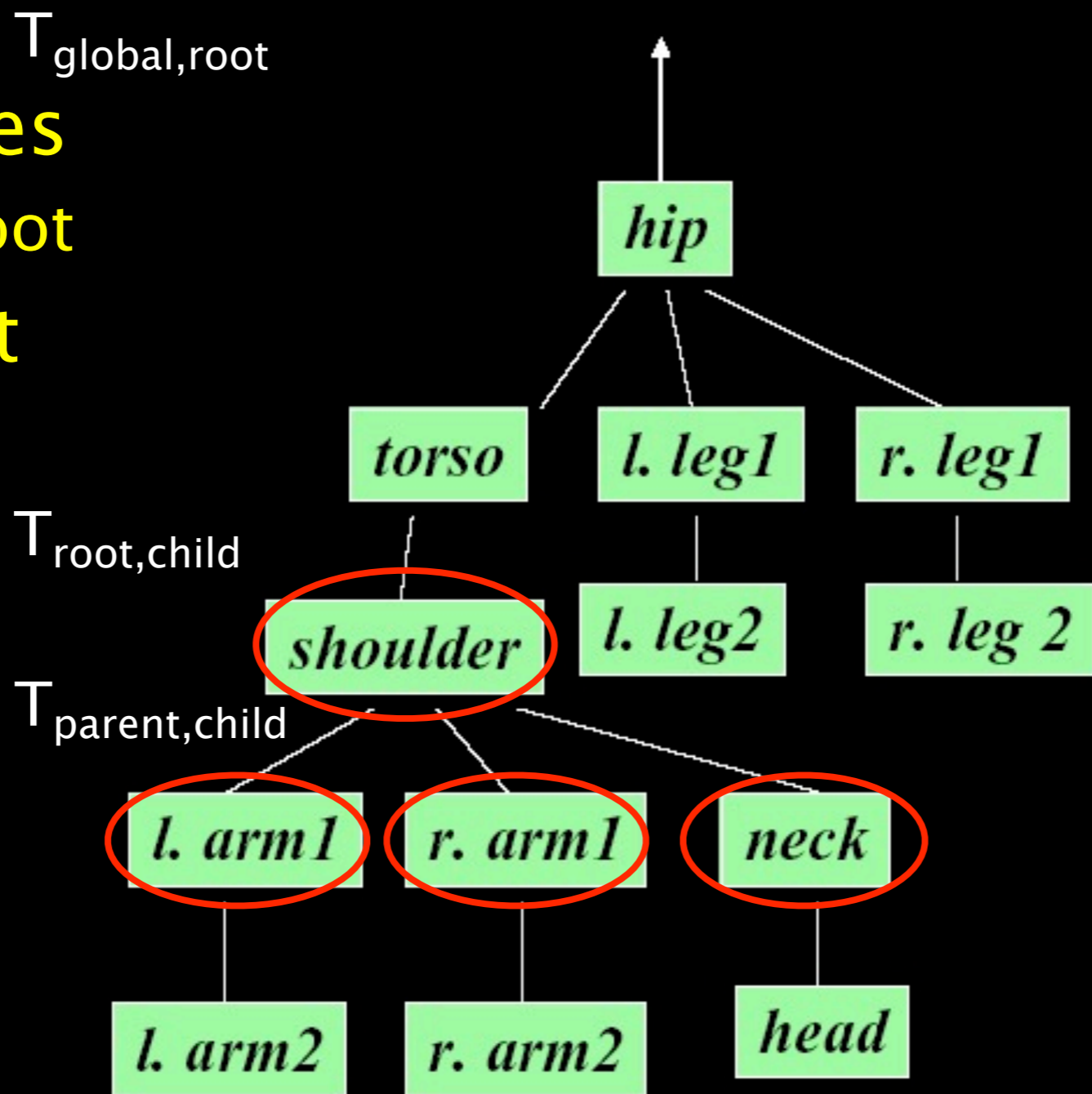
Human figure kinematics

- Global $T_{\text{global,root}}$ coordinates – absolute root
- Body root
- 1st level children



Human figure kinematics

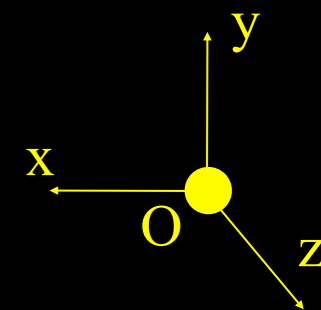
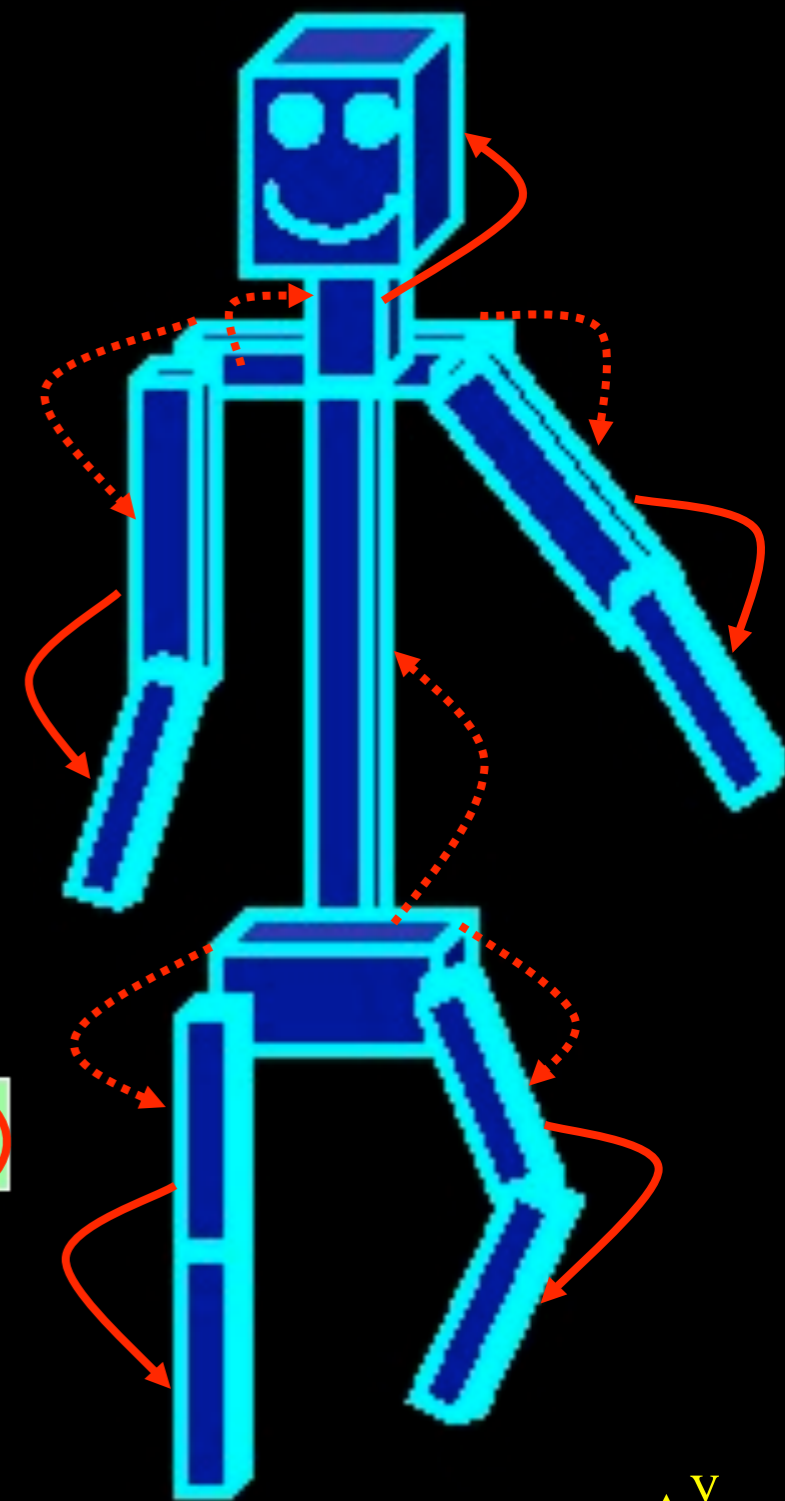
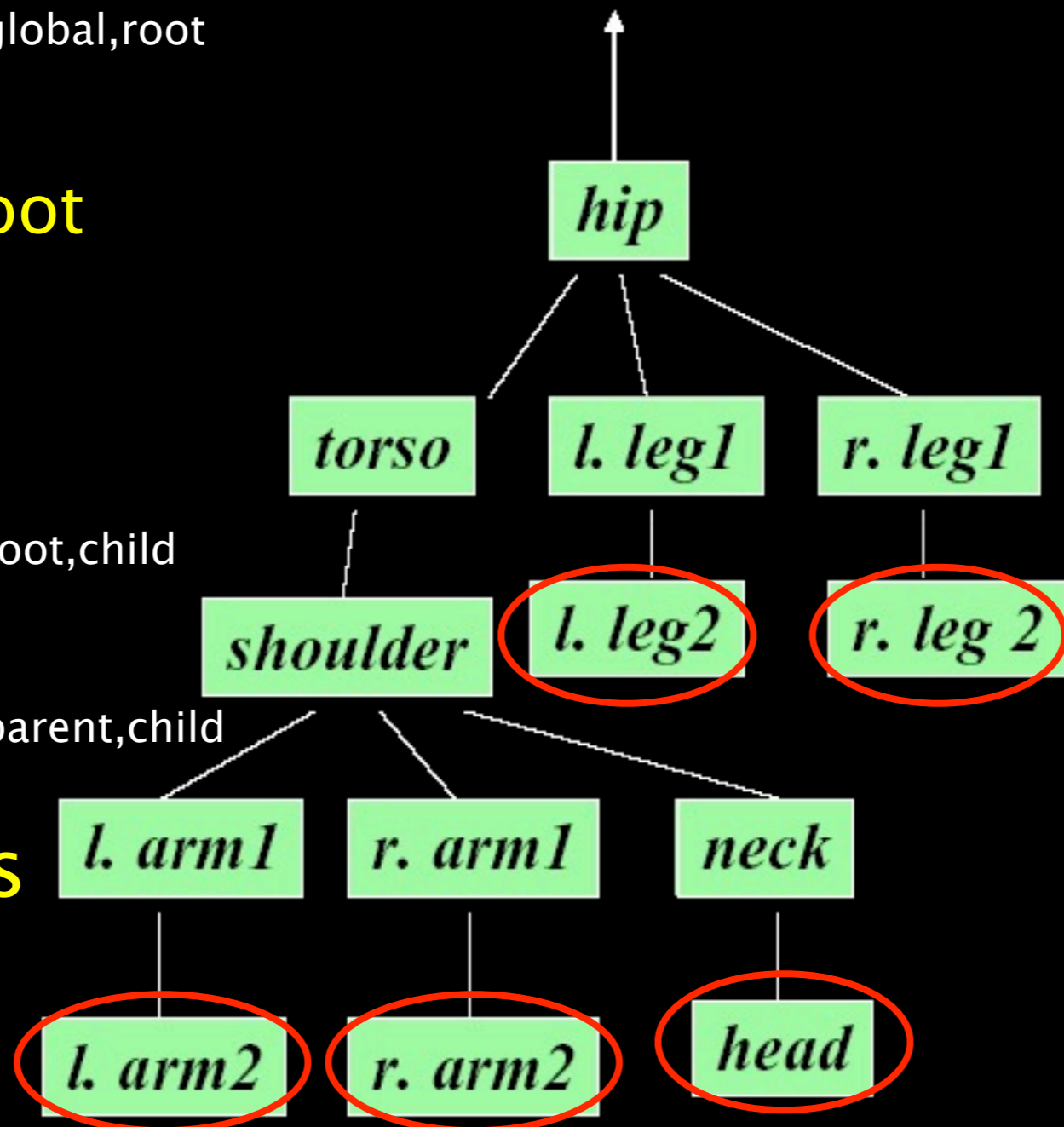
- Global coordinates - absolute root
- Body root
- 1st level children
- Nth level children





Human figure kinematics

- Global coordinates $T_{global,root}$
 - absolute root
- Body root
- 1st level children $T_{root,child}$
- Nth level children $T_{parent,child}$
- Leaf bodies $T_{parent,leaf}$





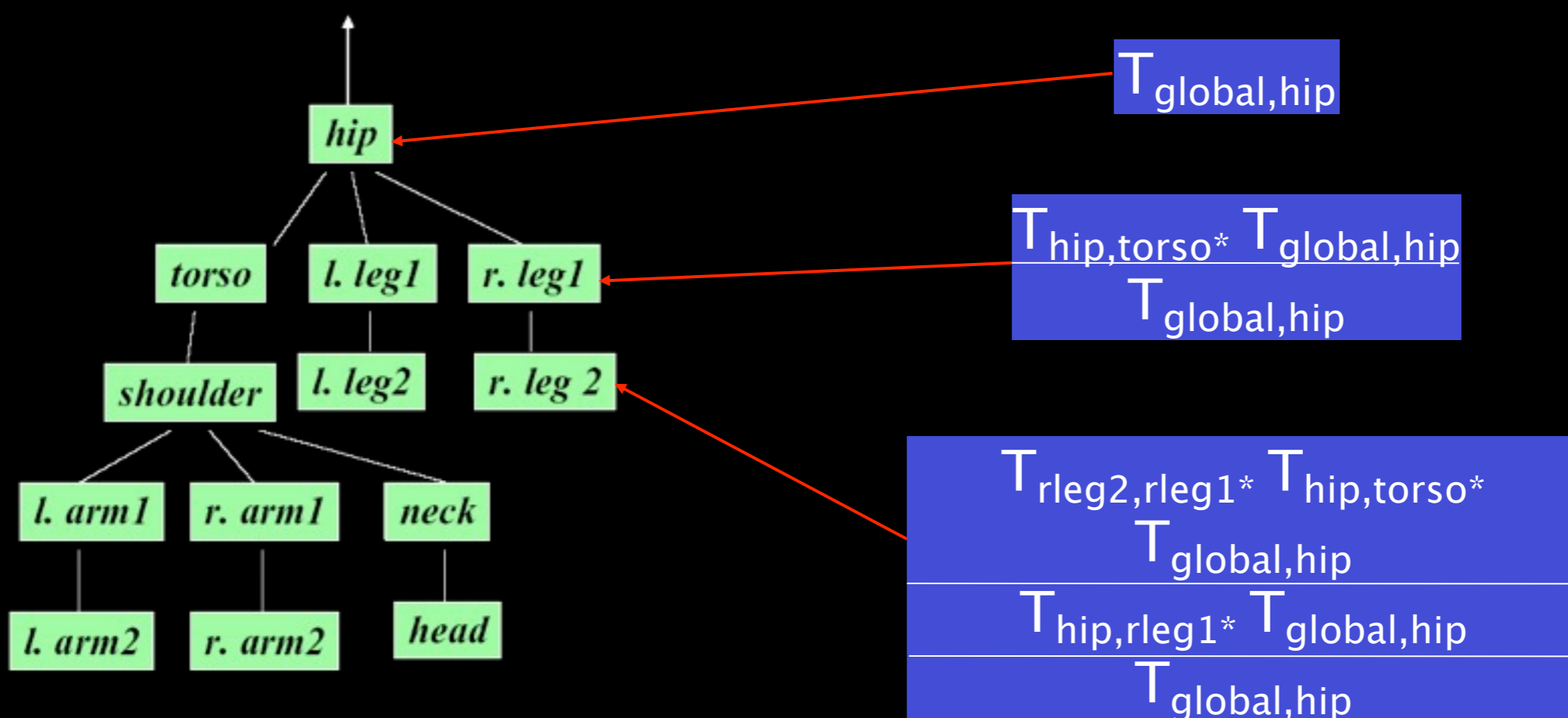
Hierarchical kinematic representations

- Hierarchical kinematic representations define the configuration space of the robot
 - a robot configuration is specified by a vector containing all of the robot's degrees-of-freedom (DOFs)
 - think of a D -dimensional space where each DOF is an axis
- Recursive notations for hierarchical kinematics
 - Matrix stack
 - Denavit–Hartenberg notation



Kinematic matrix stack

- Maintain global transformation into current local coordinates at the top of a stack
- Push transformation onto stack when entering a local frame
- Pop transformation from stack when leaving a local frame



ROS tf Tutorials Do not use tf for projects!

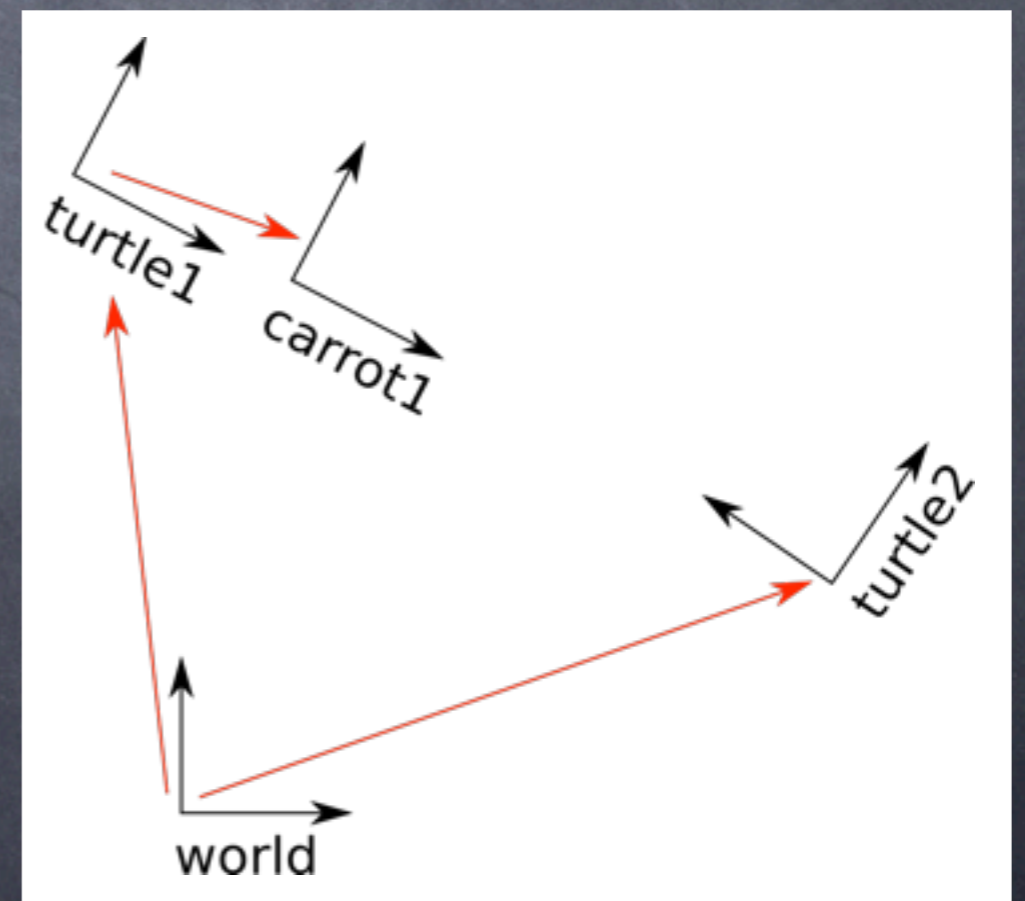
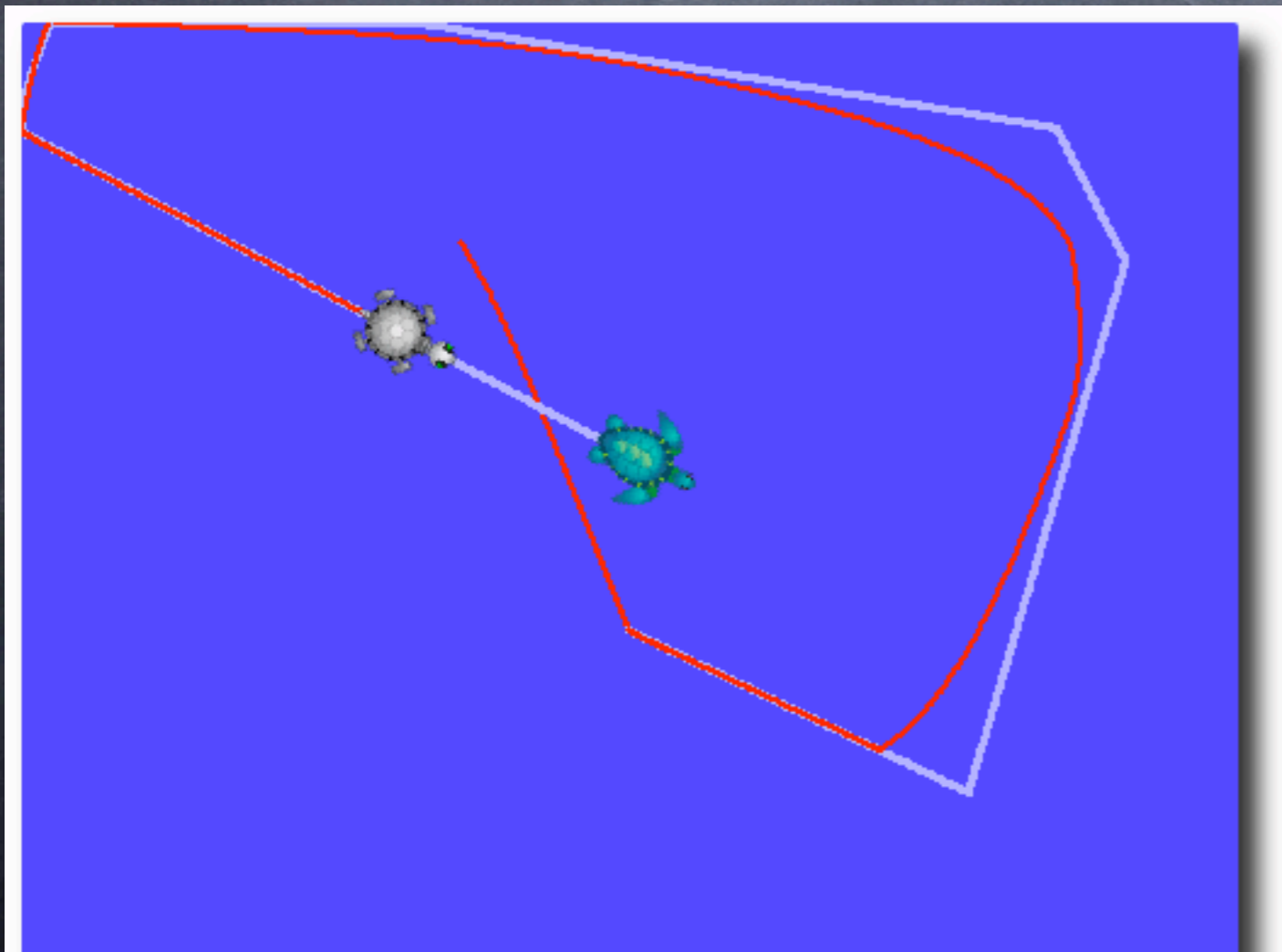
tf: package for maintaining coordinate frames over time

Introduction to tf tutorial:

<http://www.ros.org/wiki/tf/Tutorials/Introduction%20to%20tf>

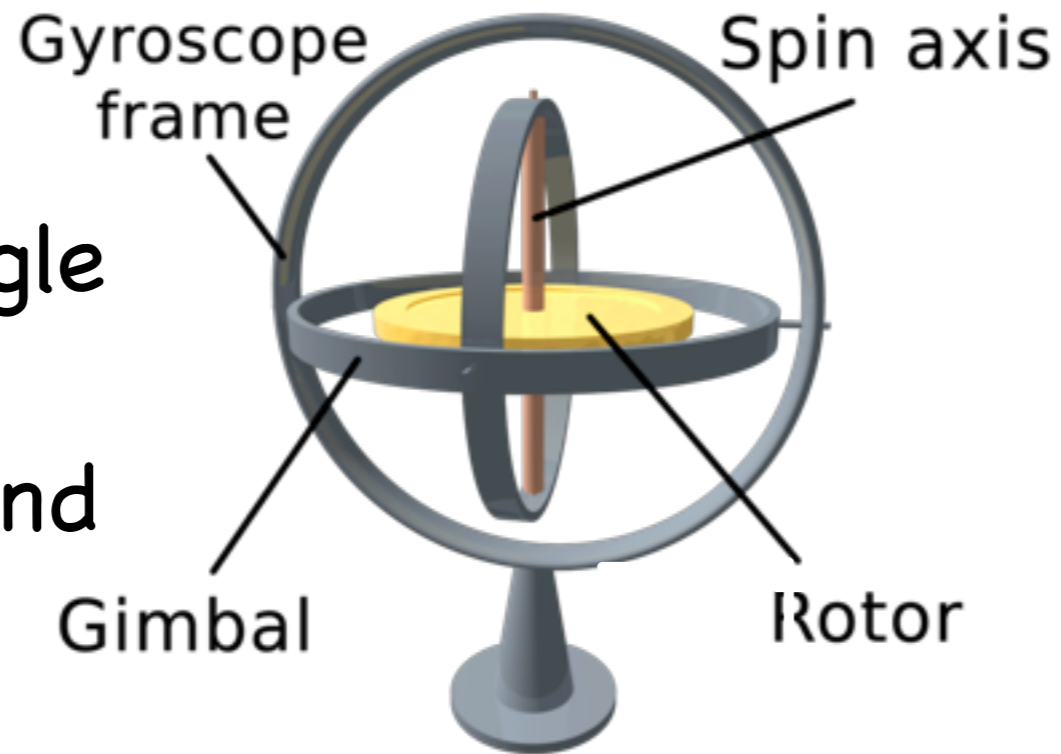
Publishing odometry using tf

<http://www.ros.org/wiki/navigation/Tutorials/RobotSetup/Odom>



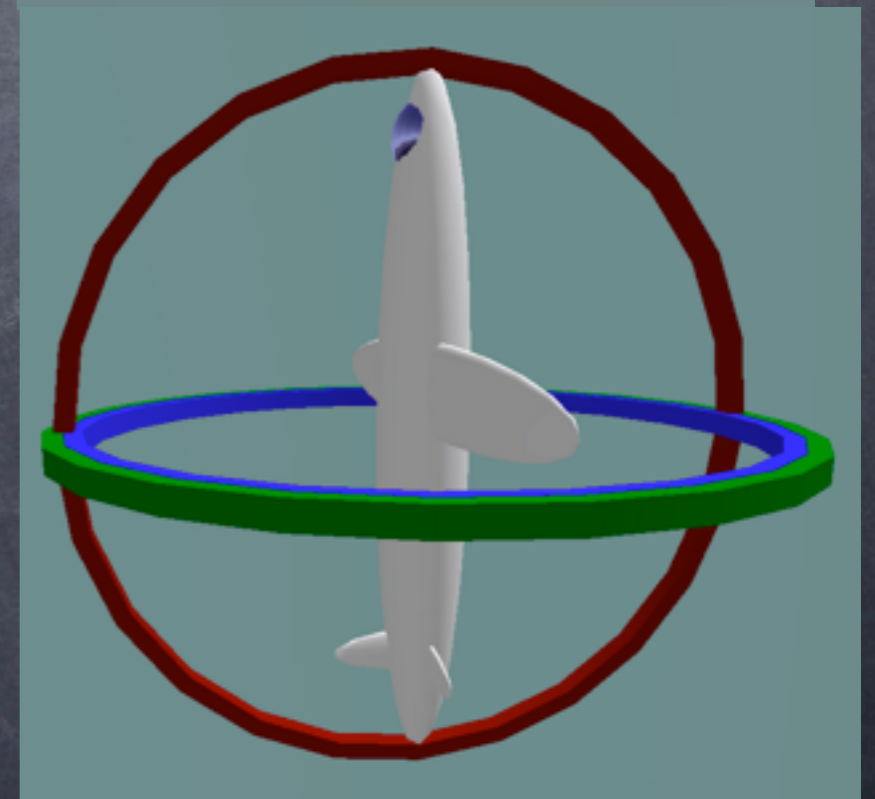
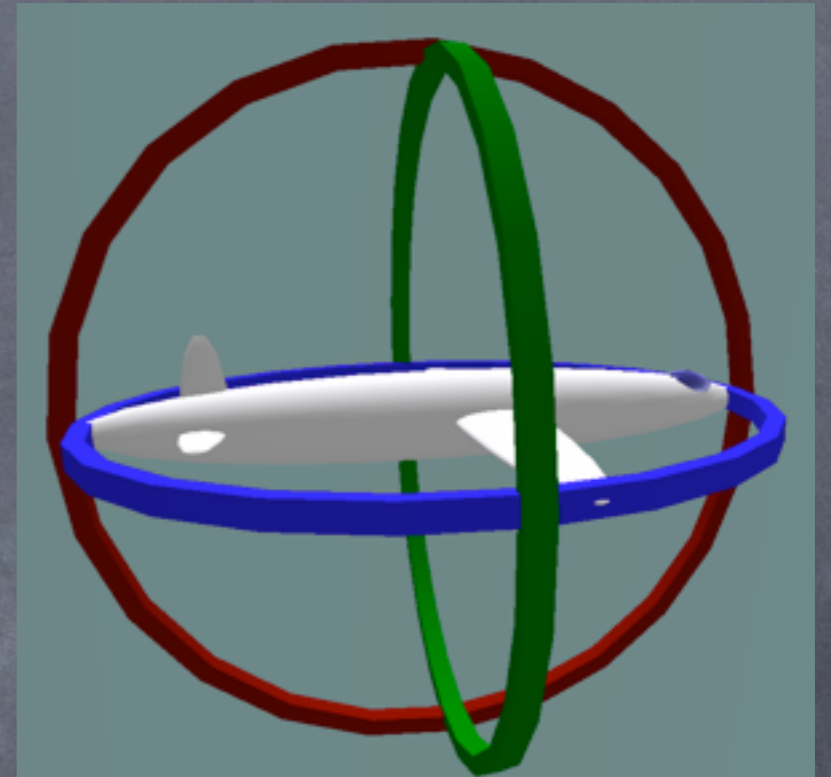
Gimbal Lock

Gyroscope measures angle on each axis (wrt frame and wheel)



Gimbal lock occurs when two axes are rotated into alignment

Reduces 3 DOFs to 2.
Based on axis order.



JointTrajectory message:

Header header

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time stamp

string frame_id

string[] joint_names

JointTrajectoryPoint[] points

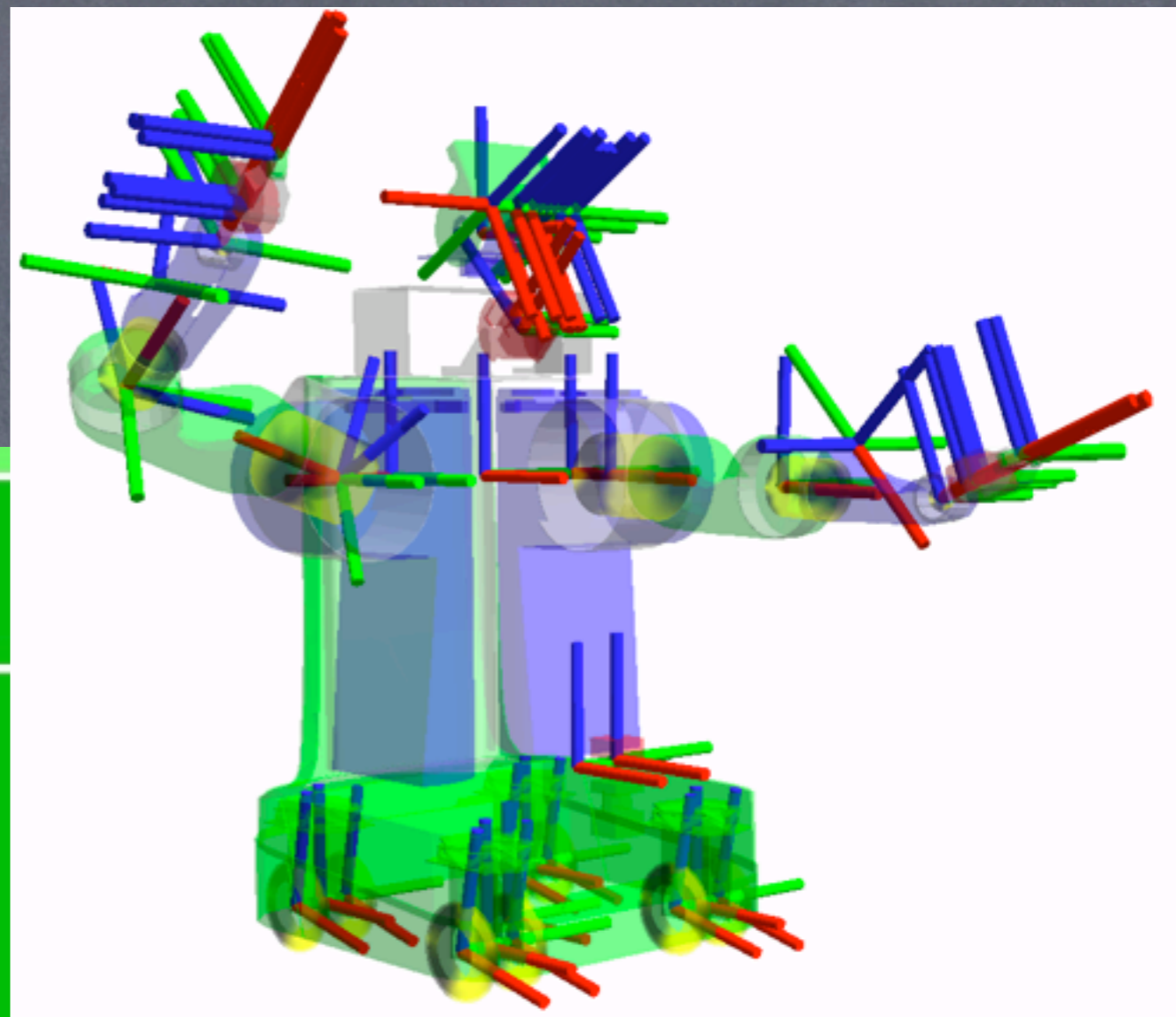
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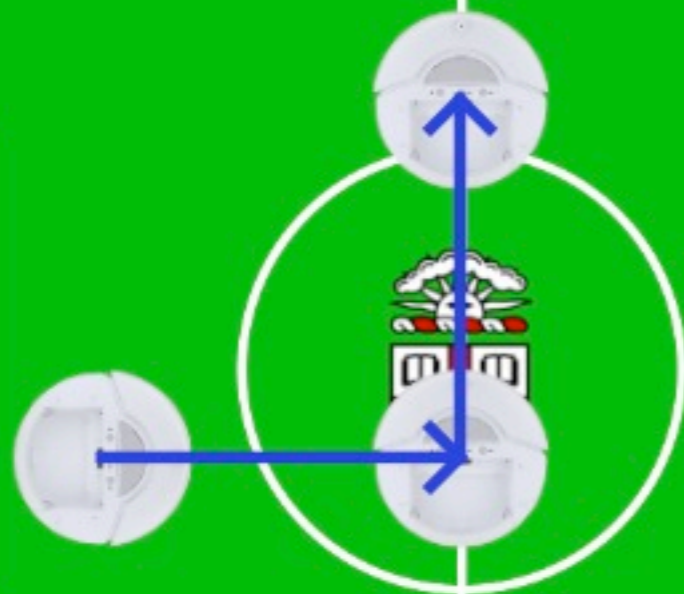
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duration time_from_start

Gimbal Lock and JointTrajectory



problem for 3D rotation



not a problem in planar case



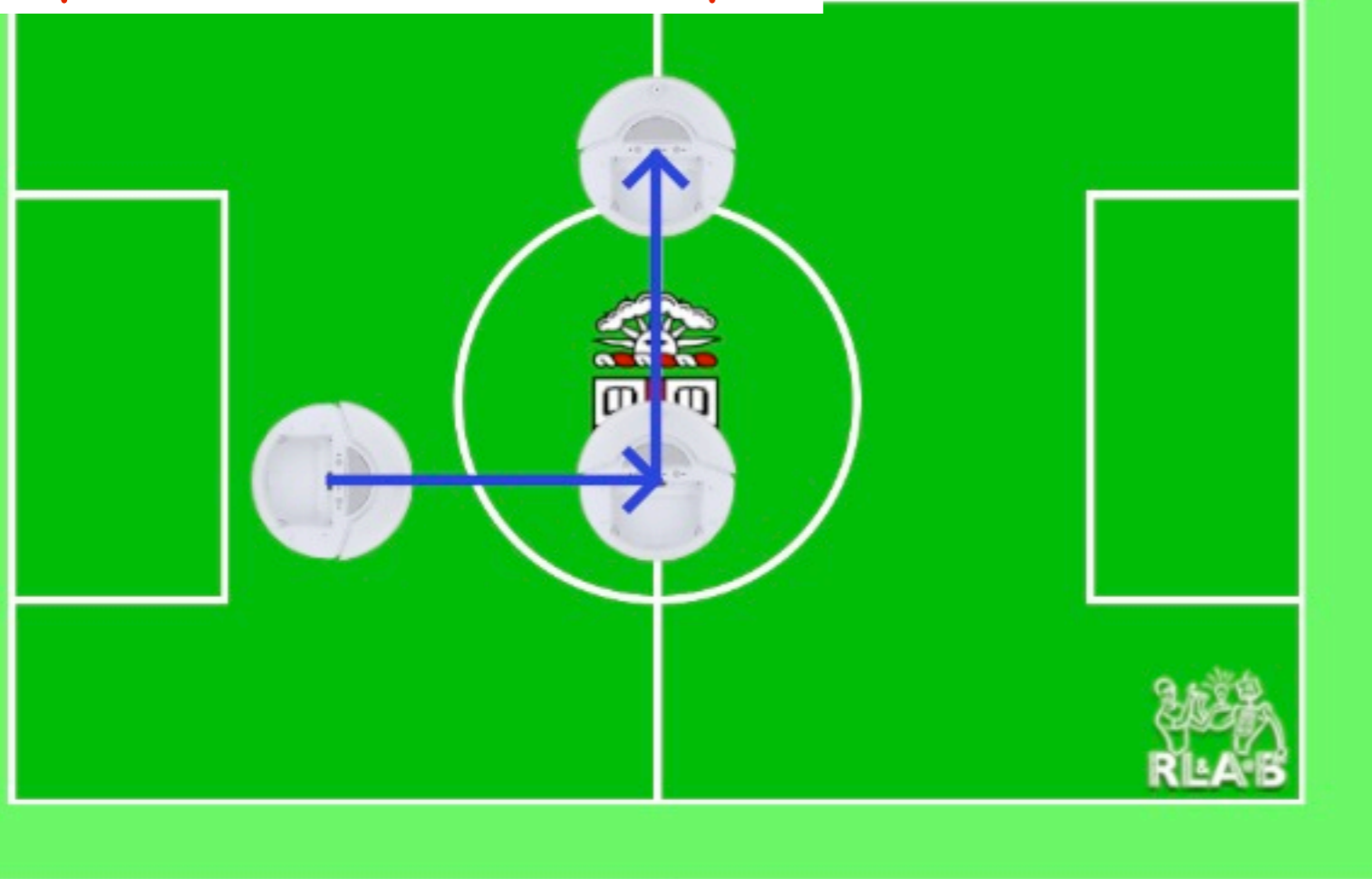
JointTrajectory example for planning project

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JointTrajectory definition

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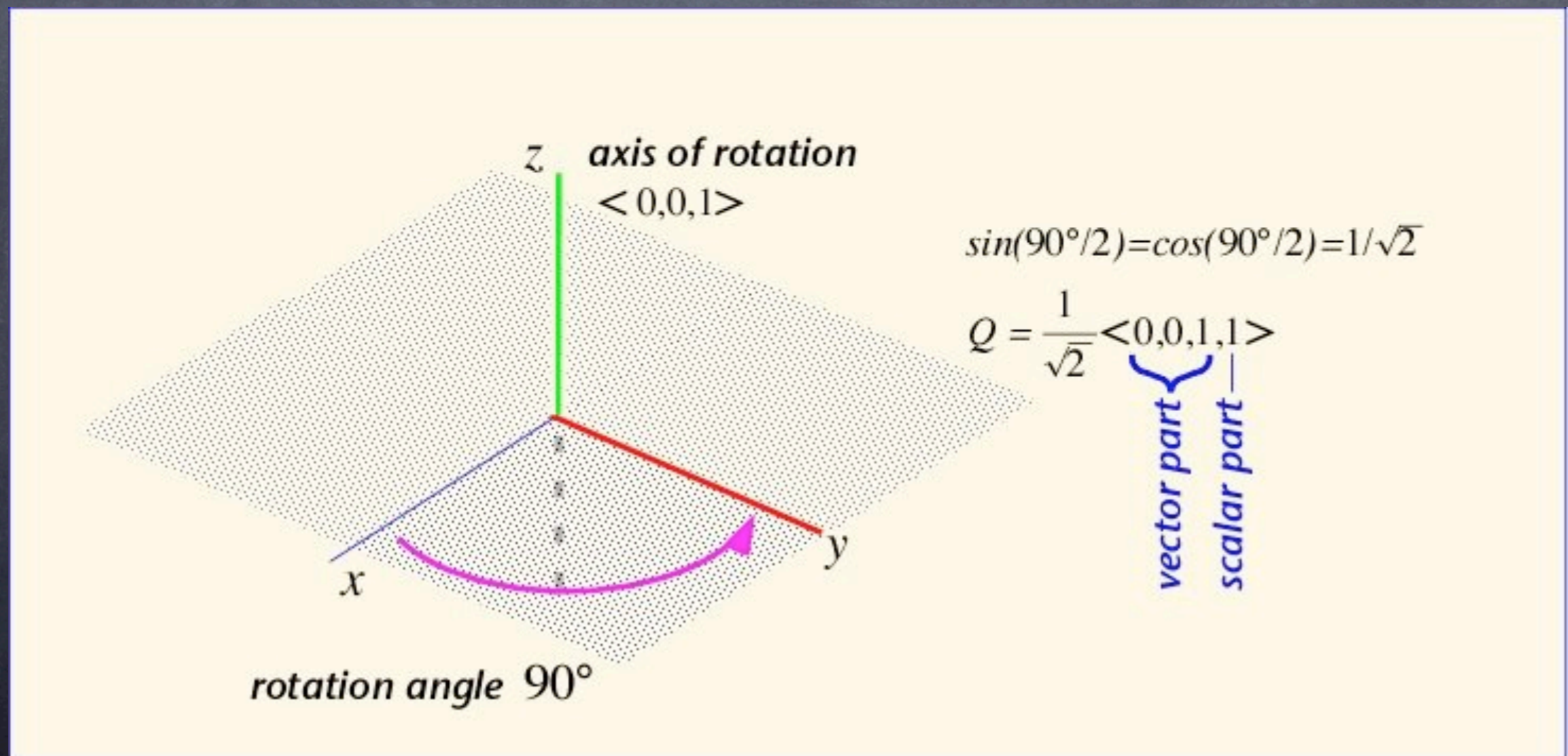
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Done

Rotation by Quaternion

(No axis order, No gimbal lock)

3D rotation can be expressed by an axis and an angle
Quaternions provide a clean mathematical expression



Quaternions

- Expressed as: $a + bi + cj + dk$
 - i, j, k satisfy $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$
 - a is scalar, (b,c,d) acts as rotation axis u
- Quaternion $q = a + bi + cj + dk$
 - $= a + (b,c,d) = \cos(\text{angle}/2) + u \sin(\text{angle}/2)$

$$\mathbf{i} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{j} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{k} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{1} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Quaternion Conjugation

- Rotating a point v by unit quaternion q is performed by conjugation

- $v' = qvq^{-1}$, where $q^{-1} = a - u$, $v = 0 + v$

- q must be unit quaternion: $\|q\| = 1$

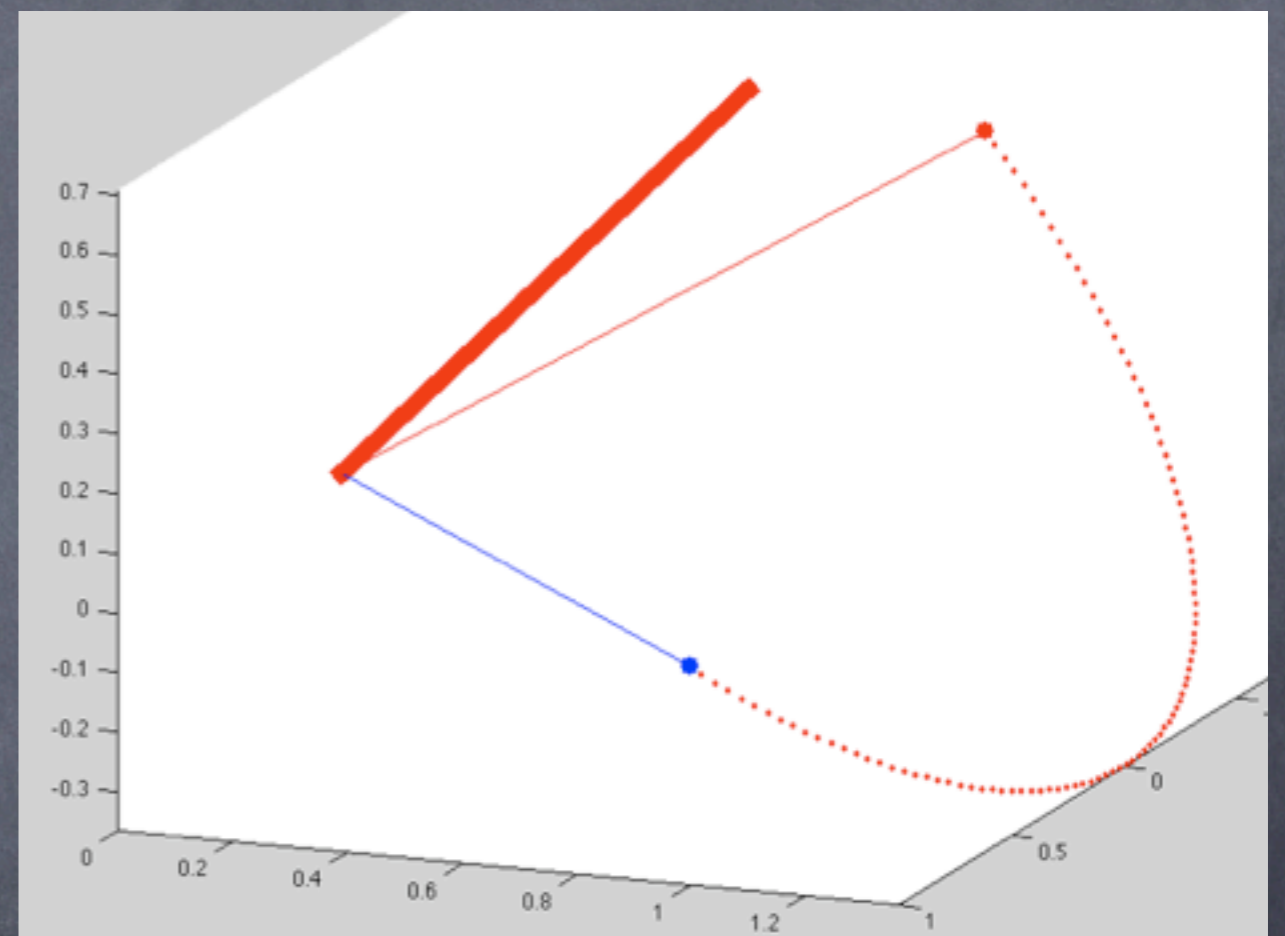
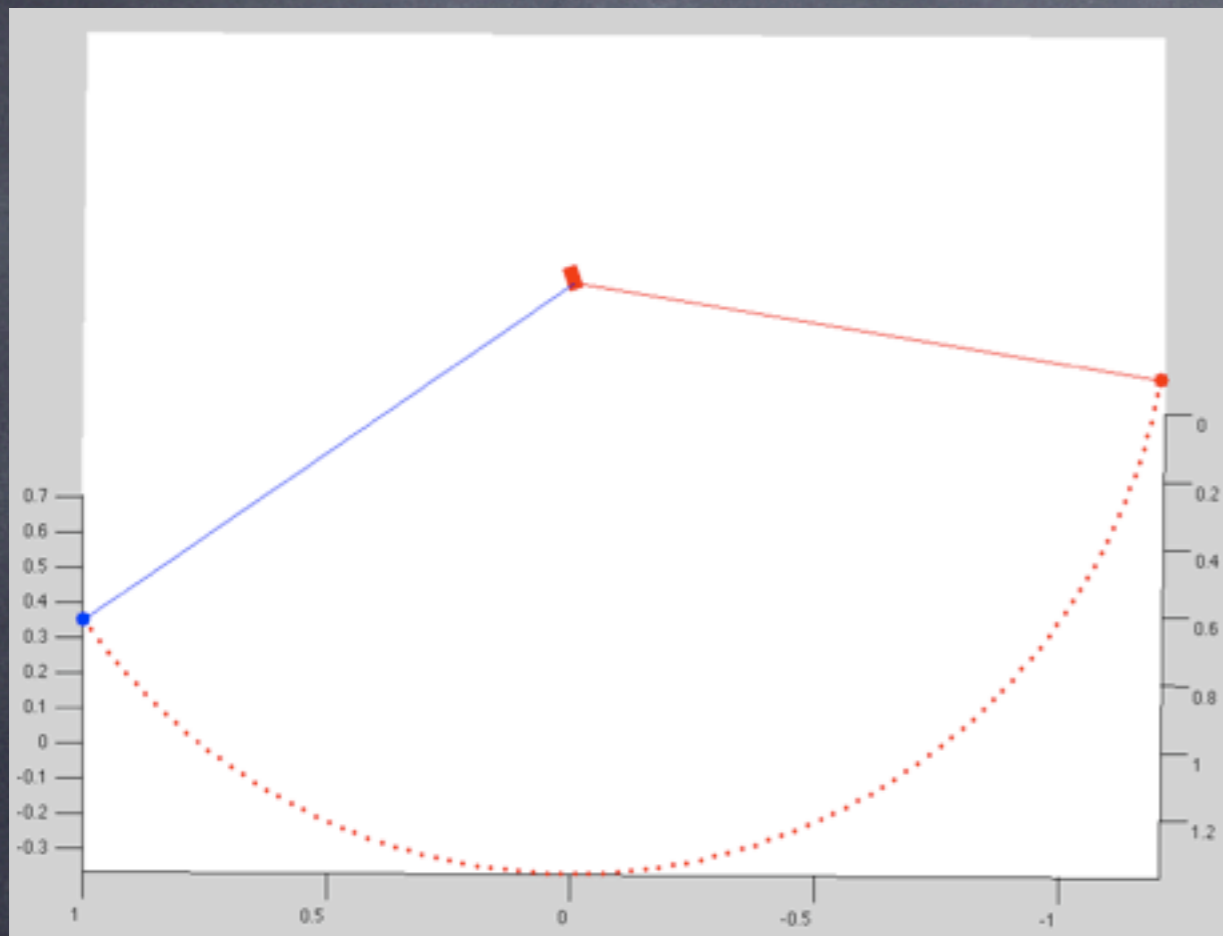
- Multiplication of 2 quaternions

- $(a+bi+cj+dk)(e+fi+gk+hk) =$

$$(ae-bf-cg-ah)+(af+be+ch-dg)i+(ag-bh+ce+df)j+(ah+bg-cf+de)k$$

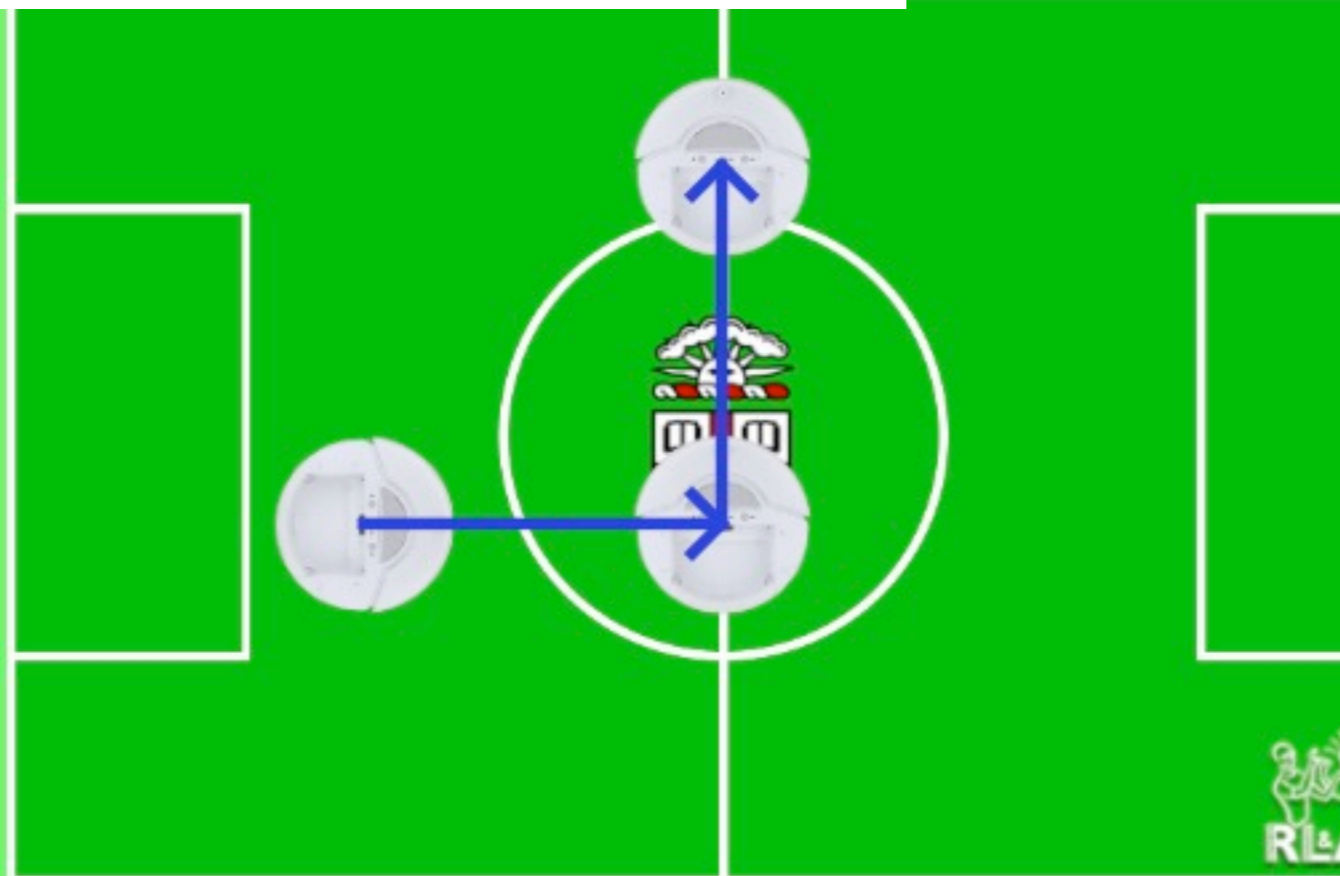
Matlab example

http://www.cs.brown.edu/courses/cs148/pub/quaternion_rotation.m



Rotation of point $[1 \ 1 \ 0]$ by
axis $[0 \ \sin(\pi/4) \ \cos(\pi/4)]$ and angle $3\pi/4$

path in overhead_map



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float64 y

float64 z

geometry_msgs/Quaternion orientation

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float64 y

float64 z

float64 w