

Local and Global Axes

- Kassimali, §8.3 Space Frames. Global axes: X, Y, Z
- Axial direction: local x

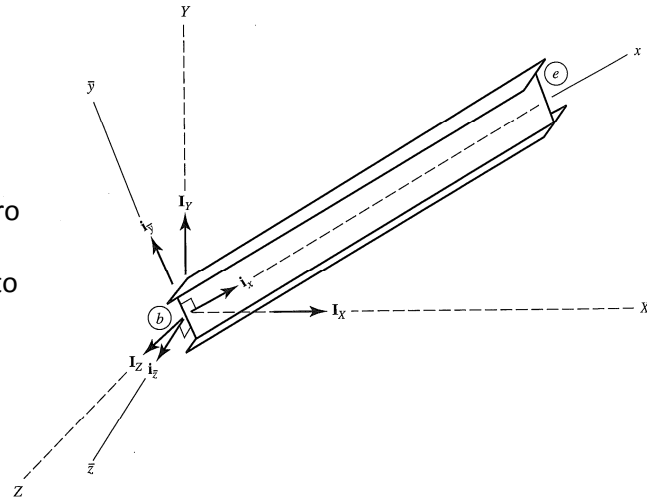
$$r_{xX} = \cos \theta_{xX} = \frac{X_e - X_b}{L}$$

$$r_{xY} = \cos \theta_{xY} = \frac{Y_e - Y_b}{L}$$

$$r_{xZ} = \cos \theta_{xZ} = \frac{Z_e - Z_b}{L}$$

- Location directions ($\bar{y}$ and $\bar{z}$) with zero angle of roll are chosen such that x and $\bar{y}$ form a vertical plane (parallel to global Y)
- As a result, $\bar{z}$ is horizontal (perpendicular to global Y)

$$L = \sqrt{(X_e - X_b)^2 + (Y_e - Y_b)^2 + (Z_e - Z_b)^2}$$

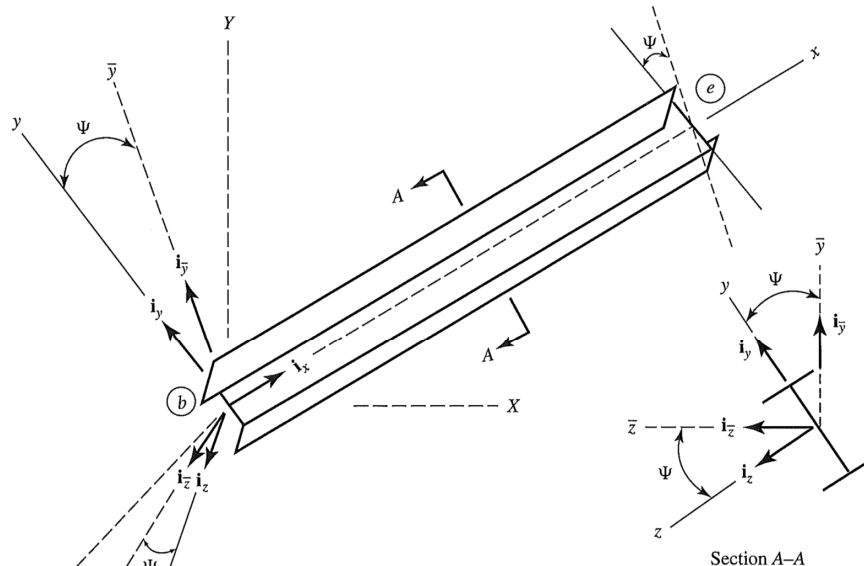


(a) Member Orientation with $x\bar{y}$ Plane Vertical

Fig. 8.18

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- Angle of roll Ψ (called Beta in Mastan2 when defining an element): rotation angle about local x axis s.t. $\bar{y}$ reaches actual local y direction (and $\bar{z}$ reaches actual local z direction)
- Right-hand rule: positive Ψ is rotation from $\bar{y}$ to y with thumb pointing at positive local x direction



(b) Actual Member Orientation

Fig. 8.18 (continued)

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- Local axes with zero angle of roll: x , $\bar{y}$, and $\bar{z}$
- Transformation between local unit vectors and global unit vectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_x \\ \mathbf{i}_{\bar{y}} \\ \mathbf{i}_{\bar{z}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{xX} & r_{xY} & r_{xZ} \\ -\frac{r_{xX}r_{xY}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} & \sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2} & -\frac{r_{xY}r_{xZ}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} \\ -\frac{r_{xZ}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} & 0 & \frac{r_{xX}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_X \\ \mathbf{I}_Y \\ \mathbf{I}_Z \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.62)$$

- Recall that:

$$r_{xX} = \cos \theta_{xX} = \frac{X_e - X_b}{L}$$

$$r_{xY} = \cos \theta_{xY} = \frac{Y_e - Y_b}{L}$$

$$r_{xZ} = \cos \theta_{xZ} = \frac{Z_e - Z_b}{L}$$

- In Mastan2, with default zero angle of roll (called Beta in Mastan2 when defining an element), apply distributed load w_y or w_z to see the local axes.

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clear
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% Vector from beginning to end joint
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Vbe = [0 0 1]';
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rxX = Vbe(1) / norm(Vbe);
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rxY = Vbe(2) / norm(Vbe);
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rxZ = Vbe(3) / norm(Vbe);
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tmp21 = -rxX * rxY / sqrt(rxX^2 + rxZ^2);
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tmp22 = sqrt(rxX^2 + rxZ^2);
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tmp23 = -rxY * rxZ / sqrt(rxX^2 + rxZ^2);
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tmp31 = -rxZ / sqrt(rxX^2 + rxZ^2);
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tmp33 = rxX/sqrt(rxX^2 + rxZ^2);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} rxX & rxY & rxZ; \\ tmp21 & tmp22 & tmp23; \\ tmp31 & 0 & tmp33 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{xX} & r_{xY} & r_{xZ} \\ -\frac{r_{xX}r_{xY}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} & \sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2} & -\frac{r_{xY}r_{xZ}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} \\ -\frac{r_{xZ}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} & 0 & \frac{r_{xX}}{\sqrt{r_{xX}^2 + r_{xZ}^2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Vertical Members

- Try $V_{be} = [0 \ 1 \ 0]'$;
- Eq. (8.62) does not apply to vertical members (local x axis along global Y axis)
- For vertical members, $r_{xX} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ $r_{xZ} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$.
- In this special case, following transform can be adopted (but not always).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_x \\ \mathbf{i}_y \\ \mathbf{i}_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & r_{xY} & 0 \\ -r_{xY} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_X \\ \mathbf{I}_Y \\ \mathbf{I}_Z \end{bmatrix}$$

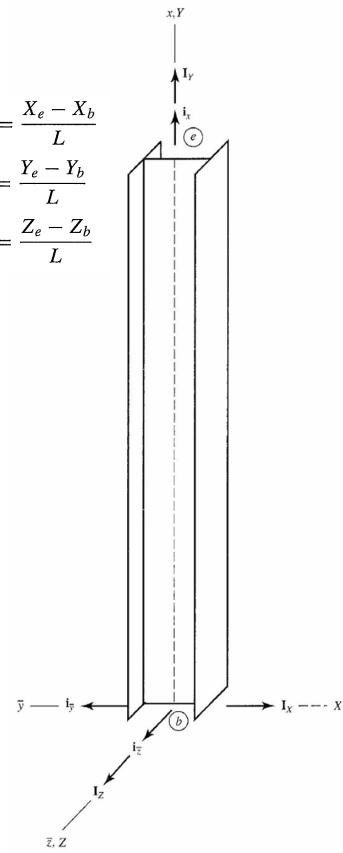
- Mastan2 uses the transform when beginning point is lower (i.e. $\theta_{xY}=0$ and $r_{xY}=1$ as shown in the figure). But when beginning point is higher, i.e. $\theta_{xY}=180^\circ$ and $r_{xY}=-1$, Mastan2 uses following transform:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_x \\ \mathbf{i}_y \\ \mathbf{i}_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_X \\ \mathbf{I}_Y \\ \mathbf{I}_Z \end{bmatrix}$$

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(a) Orientation of Vertical Member with x Axis Parallel to Global Y Axis