## **Robot Motion Planning 2**

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#### Literature

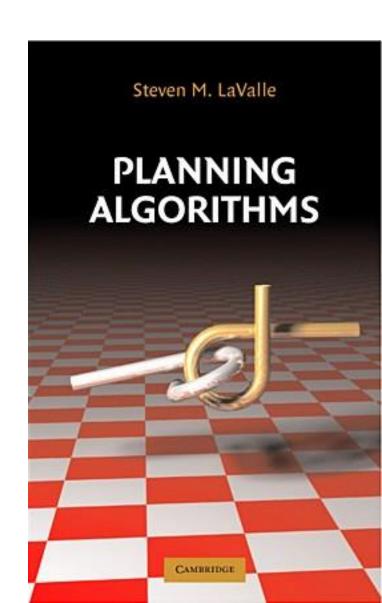
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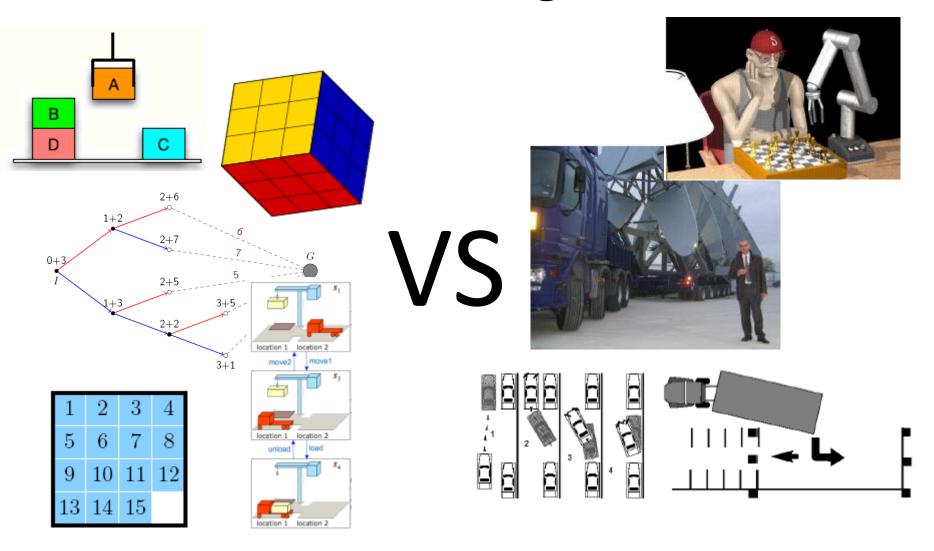
Available online\*:

http://planning.cs.uiuc.edu/



<sup>\*</sup>many pics are taken from here

- Localization
- Mapping and Navigation
- Collision detection/avoidance
  - Obstacles
  - Other robots
- Motion planning
  - Roadmap, visibility graphs
  - Cell decomposition
  - Potential fields
- Coverage planning



#### • Goal:

- Compute motion strategies (geometric timeparameterized paths/trajectories)
- Move to the specific position
- Build a map of the region
- Find a target, explore an area
- Assemble/disassemble parts

- Problem: compute a collision-free path for a moving object among static obstacles
- Input:
  - Geometry of a moving object and obstacles
  - Kinematics of the robot (degrees of freedom)
  - Initial and goal robot configurations (positions & orientations)
- Output: continuous sequence of collision-free robot configurations connecting the initial and goal configurations

- Configuration space
- Sampling-based motion planning
- Combinatorial motion planning

- Several variants of the path planning problem have been proven to be PSPACE-hard.
- A complete algorithm may take exponential time (complete algorithm finds a path if one exists and reports no path exists otherwise).

# Problem Formulation for Point (Holonomic) Robot

#### Input:

- Robot represented as a point in the plane
- Obstacles represented as polygons
- Initial and goal positions

#### Output:

A collision-free path between the initial and goal positions

## Problem Formulation for Point Robot

#### continuous representation

(configuration space formulation)

#### discretization

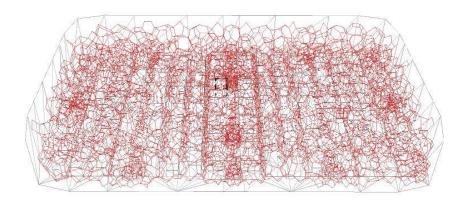
(random sampling, processing critical geometric events)

graph searching

(breadth-first, best-first, A\*)

## Random Sampling Methods

- Probabilistic roadmaps
- Rapidly exploring random tree



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- Probabilistic complete algorithms: with increasing number of samples an admissible solution would be found

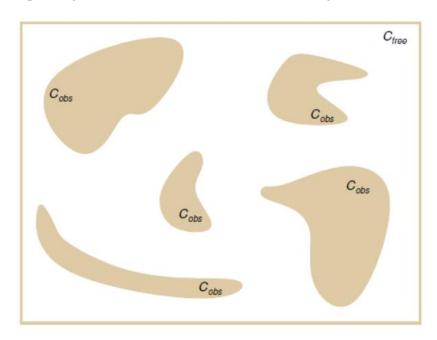
## Probabilistic Roadmaps

- Multi-query
  - Single roadmap used for planning queries several time (PRM)
- Single-query
  - New roadmap for each planning problem
  - Configuration subspace relevant to the problem
  - i.e. RRT (rapidly exploring random tree)

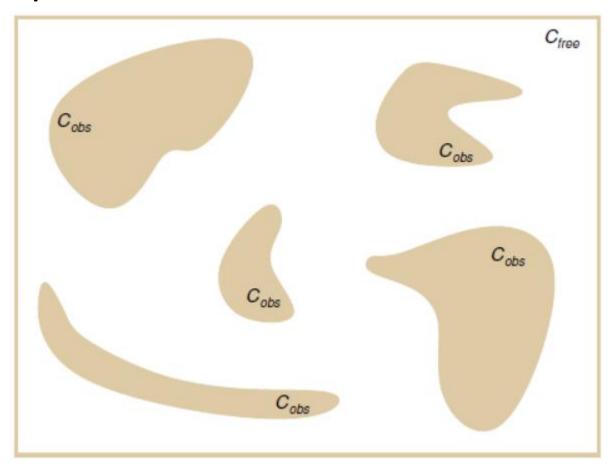
## Multi-query Strategy

- Learning phase
  - Find random (non colliding) samples of Configuration space (node)
  - Connect random configurations using local planner (edge)
    - A connection represent admissible path between configurations
    - Consider only nodes within  $\varepsilon$ >0 distance
    - Collision detection can be performed for configurations "on the edge"

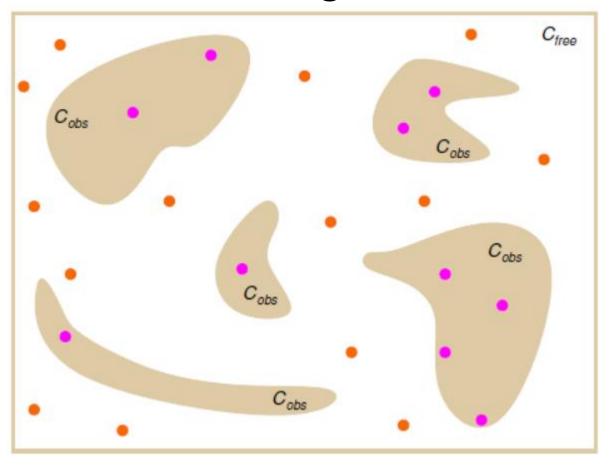
- Query phase
  - Connect start and goal configuration with PRM using local planner
  - Use the graph to search the path



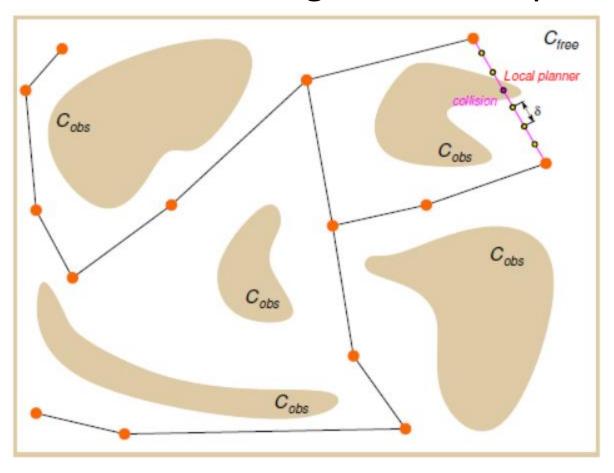
Given problem domain



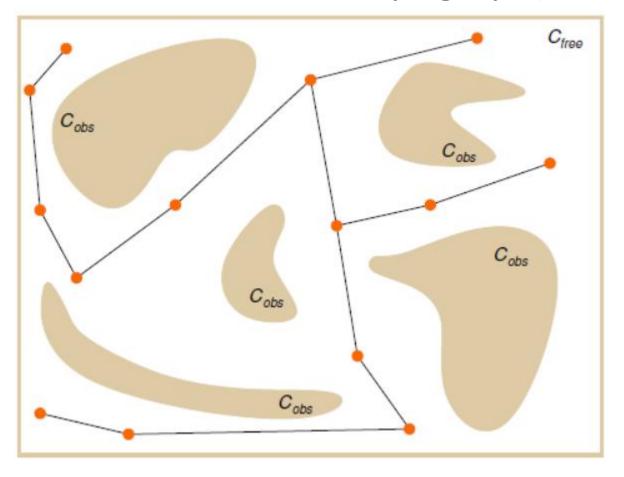
Generate random configurations



Connect random configuration samples

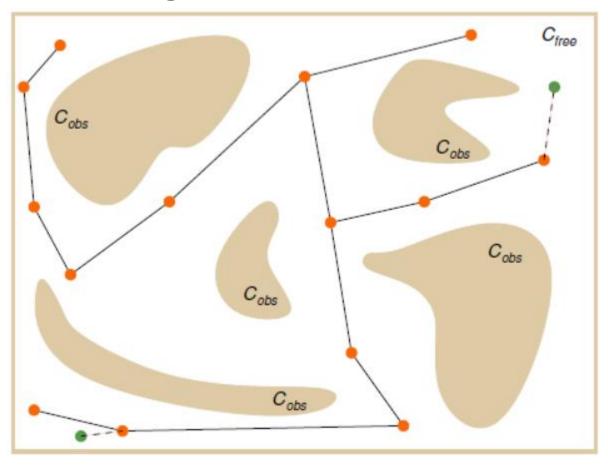


Get the connected roadmap (graph)



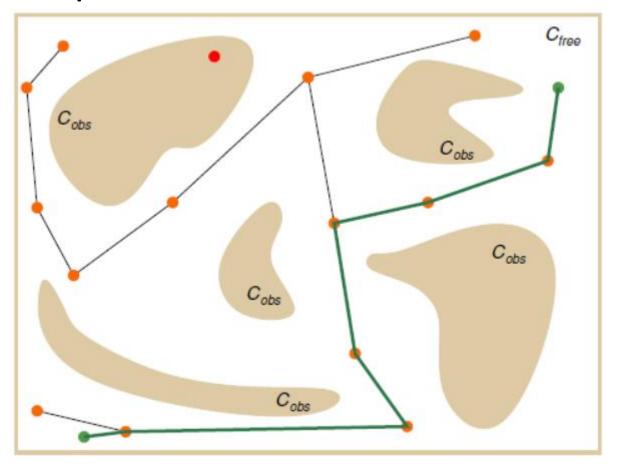
## **Query Configurations**

Add start and goal



## **Query Configurations**

Find the path



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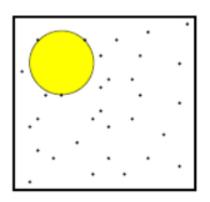
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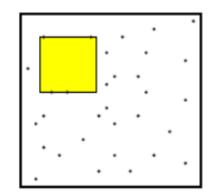
## Random Sampling

- A solution can be found using only a few number of samples (Oraculum)
- Sampling strategies matters
  - Near obstacles
  - Narrow passages
  - Grid-based
  - Uniform sampling (be carefull)

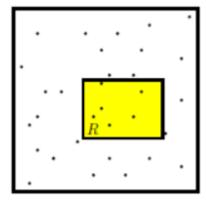
## Random Sampling

Dispersion





Discrepancy



Bounding box

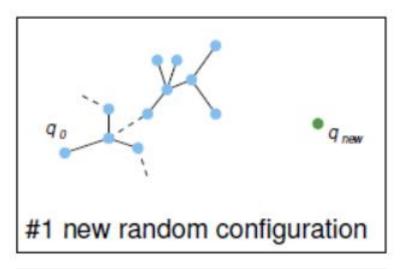


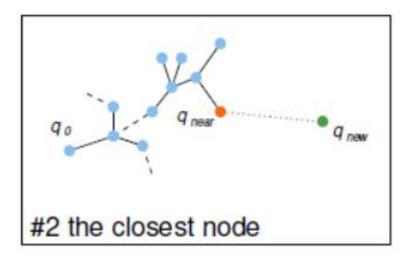


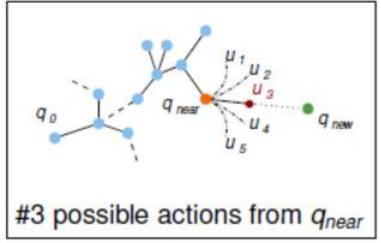


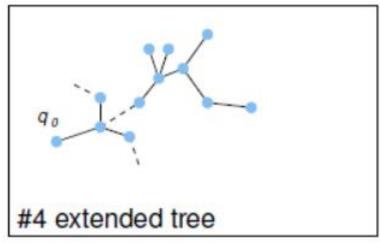


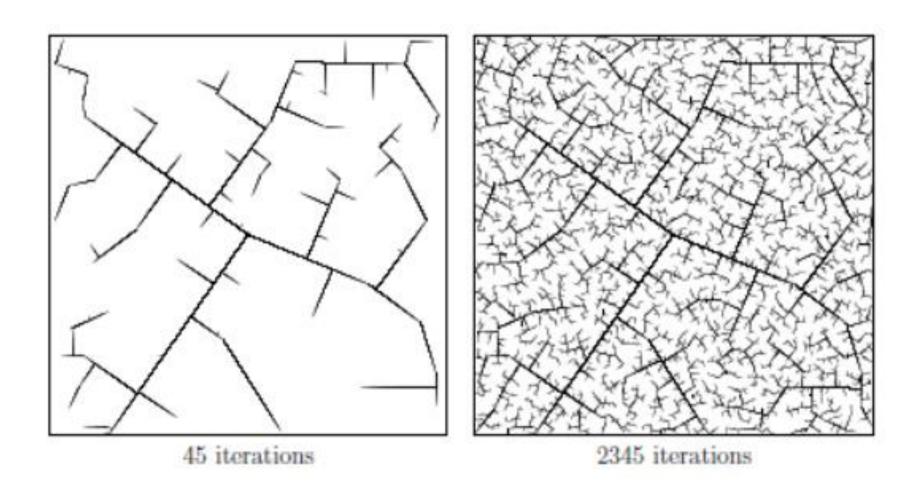
- Incrementally builds a graph towards the goal area
  - Start with the initial configuration (root)
  - Generate a new random configuration  $q_{new}$
  - Find the closest node  $q_{near}$  in the tree (KD-tree)
  - Extend  $q_{near}$  towards  $q_{new}$  (move close to position)
  - Repeat random generation until distance from goal is sufficient
  - Terminate after decided running time







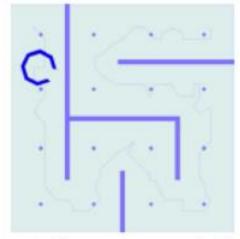




- Rapidly explores the space
- Allows kinematic and dynamic constraints
- Can provide trajectory as a sequence of control commands
- Collision detection test is usually used as "black-box"
- Poor performance in narrow passages
- Provides feasible (not optimal) paths
- Many variants

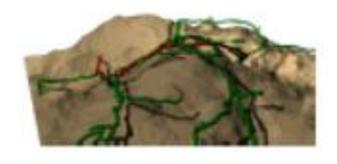






Apply rotations to reach the goal





Planning on a 3D surface

#### RRT-star

- PRM and RRT are theoretically probabilistic complete (feasible solution without quality guarantee)
- RRT-star: asymptotically optimal RRT
  - Based on guaranteed dispersion



#### Extension of Robotic Problem

- More complex robots
  - Multiple robots
  - Movable objects, moving obstacles
  - Non-holonomic & dynamic constraints
  - Physical models and deformable objects
  - Sensorless motions (exploiting task mechanics)
  - Uncertainty in control and/or sensing
  - Optimal motion planning
  - Integration of planning and control

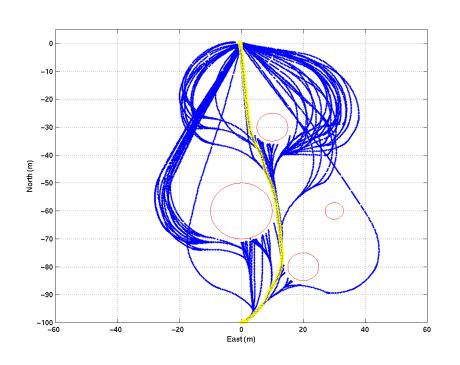
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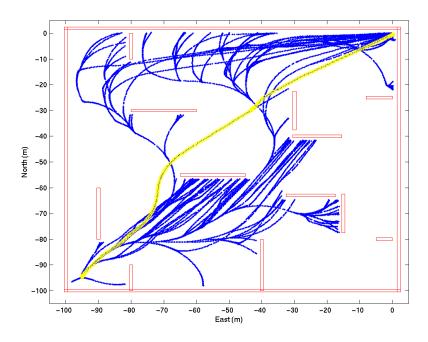
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## **Integrating Dynamics**

- Point robot trajectory vs. system dynamics
- Controlling problem
- Feasible trajectories reduce configuration space
- Trajectory primitives
  - Maneuvers
- Motion planning incl. system dynamics

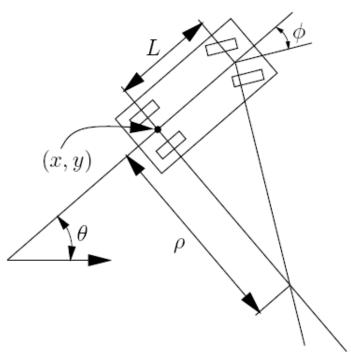
### Maneuver Tree





#### Maneuvers

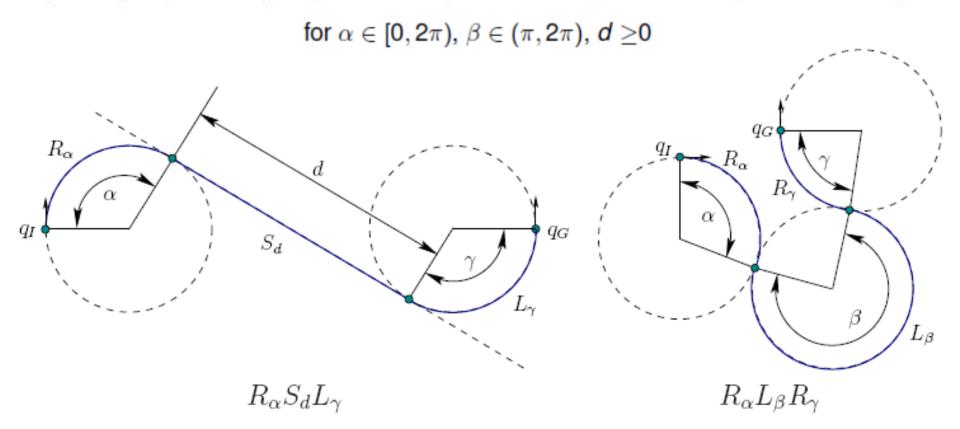
- Car-like robot
- Dubins curves (two templates, 6 seq.)
  - Optimal path for wheeled vehicles
  - Consist of three primitives
  - No reverse direction allowed
  - Constant speed
- Reeds-Shepp Curves (46)
  - Reverse direction allowed



#### **Dubins Curves**

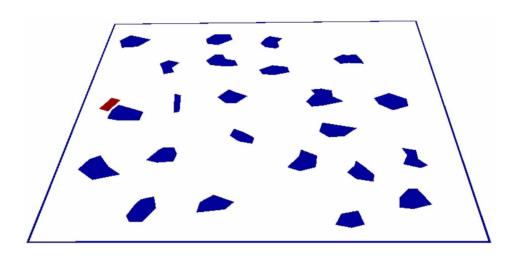
Trajectory parameterization (tree expansion)

$$\{L_{\alpha}R_{\beta}L_{\gamma}, R_{\alpha}L_{\beta}R_{\gamma}, L_{\alpha}S_{d}L_{\gamma}, L_{\alpha}S_{d}R_{\gamma}, R_{\alpha}S_{d}L_{\gamma}, R_{\alpha}S_{d}R_{\gamma}\}$$



## Maneuvers Examples

Car-like example



- Flight example
  - 3D space
  - Climb/descend maneuvers
  - Adjustable speed



## Adaptive Path Planner

- Cooperative surveillance mission context
  - Roadmap for a high-level planning
  - Low-level motion planning using Reeds-Shepp curves
  - Replanning in the case of collision

