Robot Parallel Motion Planning

Milestone 3

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Roadmap

Goal: Enable autonomous robot to navigate to a goal in an unknown environment using the power of the GPU

- Milestone 1 (11/18):
  - Simulation infrastructure
  - Understanding GMT*
- Milestone 2 (11/25):
  - Motion planning (GMT*)
- Milestone 3 (12/2):
  - ~~Perception and localization~~ → Finish GMT* ✓
  - Optimizations ✓
- Final Submission (12/8):
  - Presenstation
  - Performance analysis
  - Perception

Over 1200 lines of code, lots of bugs

PyCuda ↔ Python ↔ CARLA

- In Python but C++ code
- Like Cuda but weird differences
  - Everything has to be passed as a pointer
- Include problems
  - GLM
  - M

- Perfect
- Except in dealing with PyCuda and CARLA interactions

- Syncing problem causes slow simulation

```
__global__ void compact(int *x, int *scan, int *indicator, int *waypoints, const int *n){
    const int index = threadIdx.x + (blockIdx.x * blockDim.x);
    if(index >= n[0]){
        return;
    }

    if(indicator[index] == 1){
        x[scan[index]] = waypoints[index];
    }
}
```

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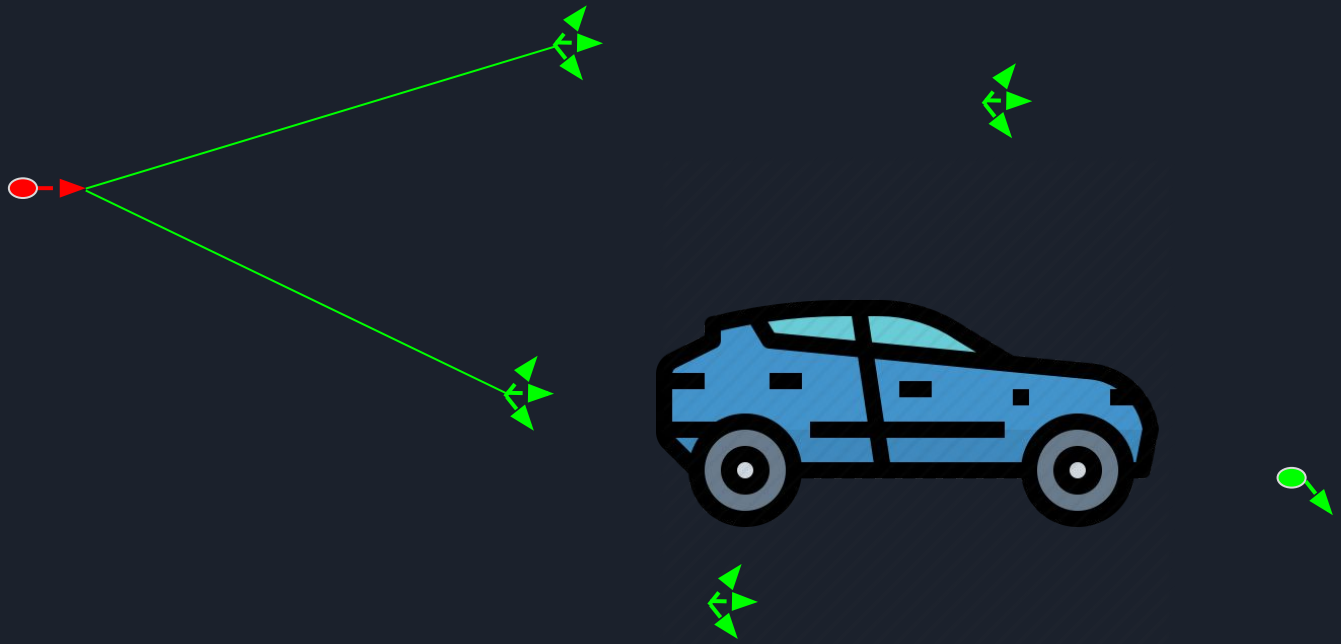

GMT* Implementation / Example

Proof of work

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neighbors:  [ 3  4  5  6  7  8  3  4  5  6  7  8  3  4  5  6  7  8  0  1  2  9 10 11
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  9 10 11 12 13 14  3  4  5  9 10 11 12 13 14  3  4  5  9 10 11 12 13 14]
parents: [-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]
cost:  [inf  0. inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf inf]
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Vopen:  [0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
obstacle here
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obstacle here
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dev parents: [-1 -1 -1  1  1  1  1  1  1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]
dev cost:  [      inf  0.            inf 13.120359 16.171923 14.028891 14.652429
 17.038507 13.942825       inf       inf       inf       inf       inf
       inf       inf       inf       inf]
dev unexplored:  [1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]
dev open:  [0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
dev threshold:  [20.]
goal reached:  False
y size:  1 y:  [1]
G size:  1 G:  [1]
x size:  6 x:  [3 4 5 6 7 8]
######### iteration:  1
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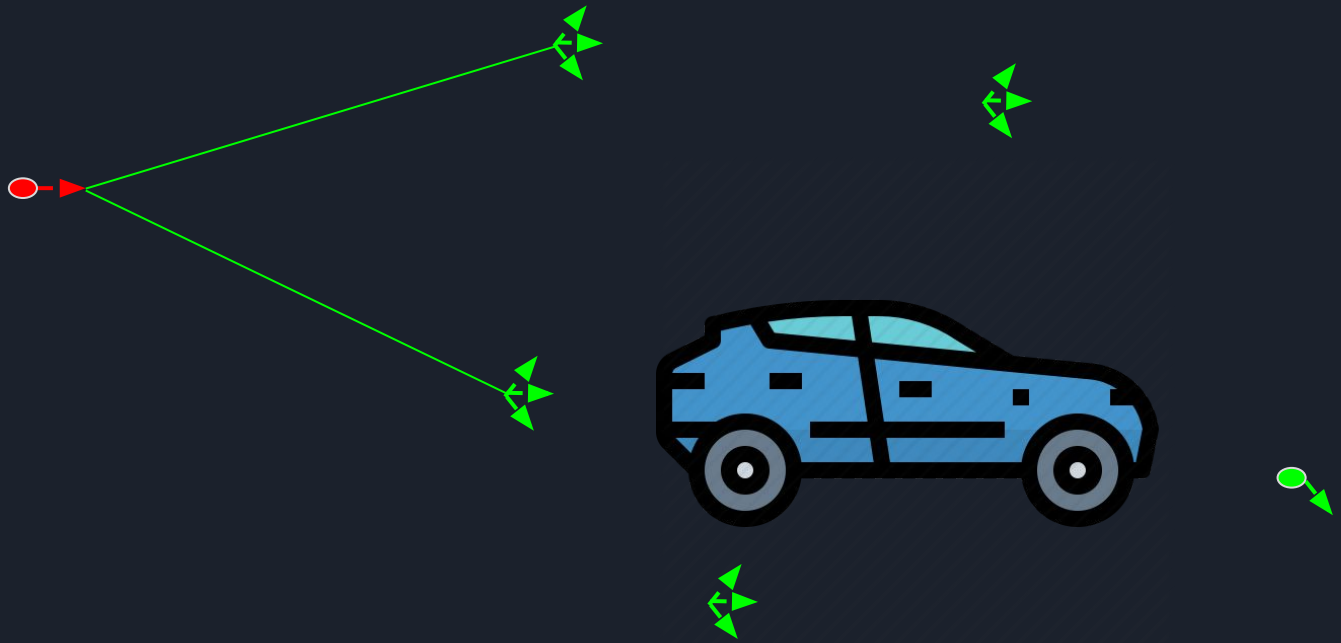

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dev threshold:  [40.]
goal reached:  False
y size:  6 y:  [3 4 5 6 7 8]
G size:  6 G:  [3 4 5 6 7 8]
x size:  11 x:  [ 0  2  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17]
######### iteration:  2
### x skip
### goal reached ###
[15, 8, 1]
```

Future Work

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Until Final Submission:

- Debug GMT* work with Carla
- Optimization
- Performance analysis
- Presentation

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Q & A

CARLA Error

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 70216 70217 70218 70219 70220 70221 70222 70223]
x size:  210 x:  [ 2268  2269  2270  2271  2272  2273  2274  2275  2276  2277
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 17314 17315 17316 17317 17318 17319 17320 17321 17322 17323 17324 17325
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######### iteration:  15
### x skip
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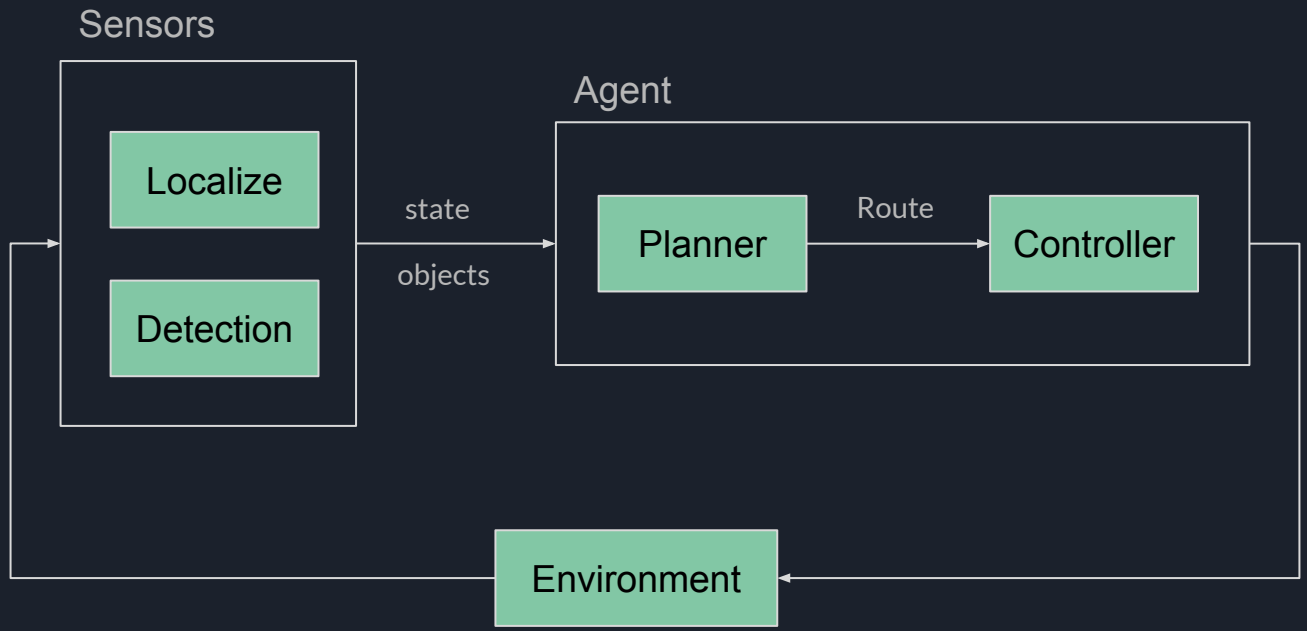
Pipeline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Localize
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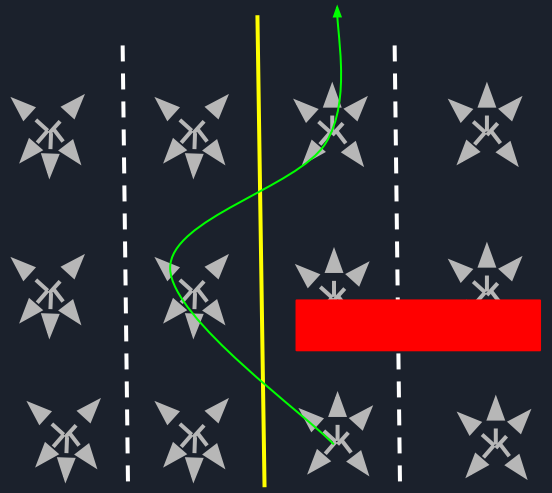
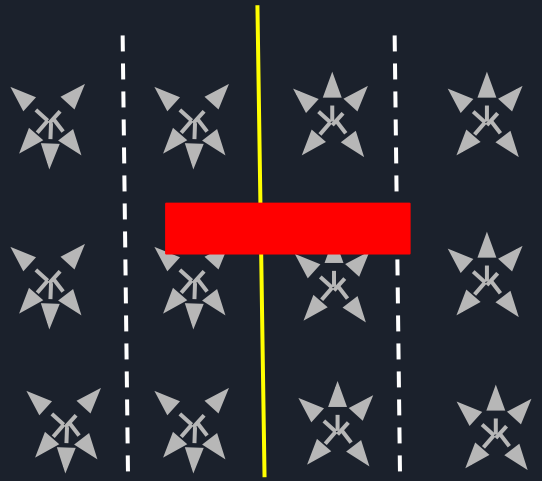
Samples



How do we decide how costly each movement is?

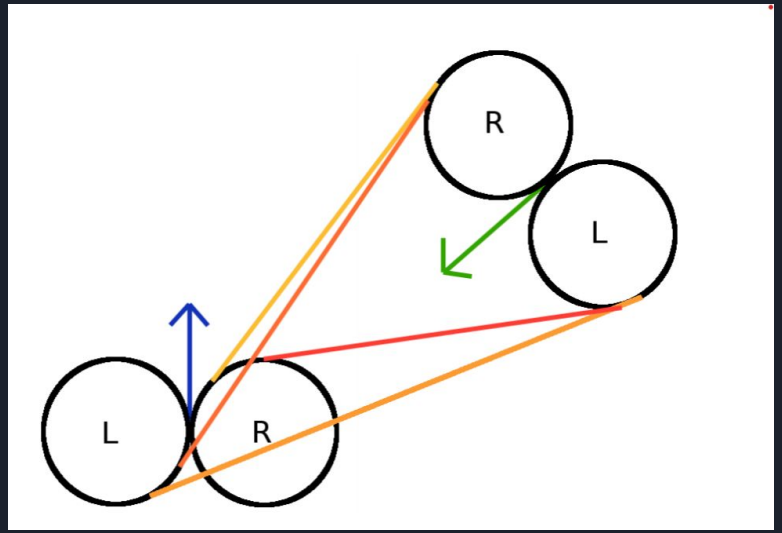
- Car is a non-holonomic robot
- We assume that our car can only go forward
- It is proven then the most optimal path is going to be one of the Dubins paths as long as some constraints are met



Dubins Paths

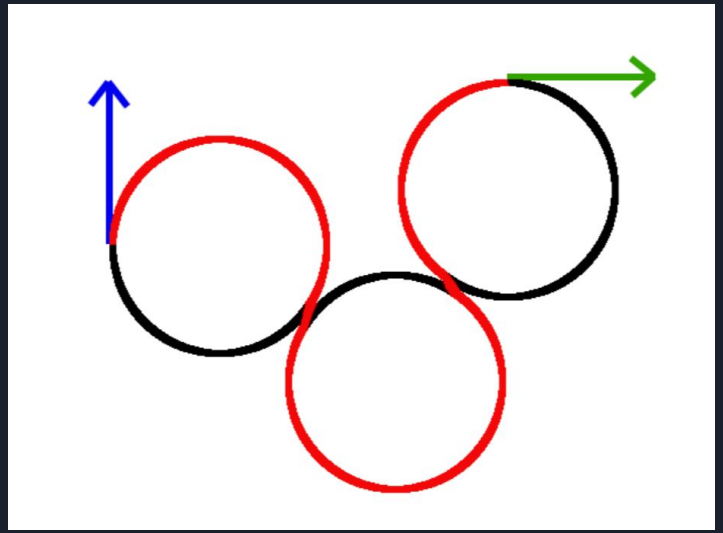
$(X_0, Y_0, \theta_0) \longrightarrow (X_1, Y_1, \theta_1)$

Curve-Straight-Curve



LSL, RSR, LSR, RSL

Curve-Curve-Curve



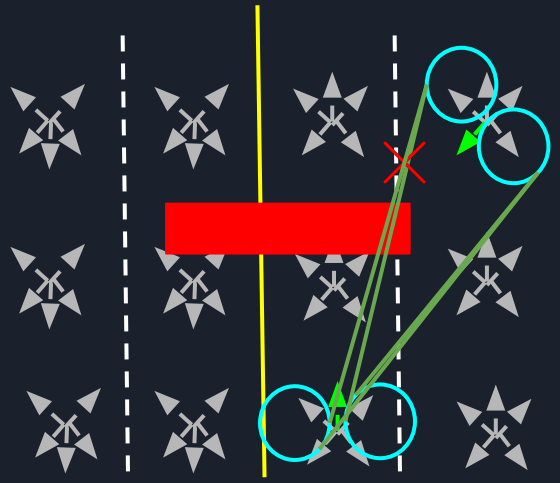
LRL, RLR

https://gieseanw.files.wordpress.com/2012/10/dubins.pdf

Dubins Paths + Collision Check

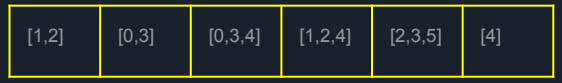
Let’s look at the Curve-Straight-Curve paths!

- Right->Straight->Left ✓
- Right ->Straight->Right ✗
- Left ->Straight->Right ✗
- Left->Straight->Left ✓



GMT*

waypoints



neighbors

parent

cost

unexplored

closed

open

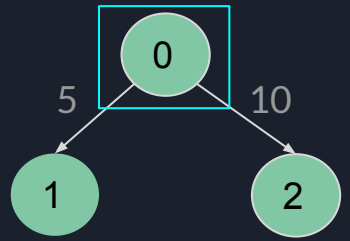
wave front

Cost threshold: 0

unexplored neighbors

X

stream compact



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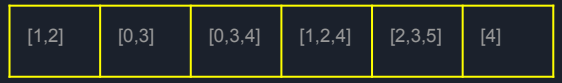
waypoints



neighbors

parent

cost

unexplored

closed

open

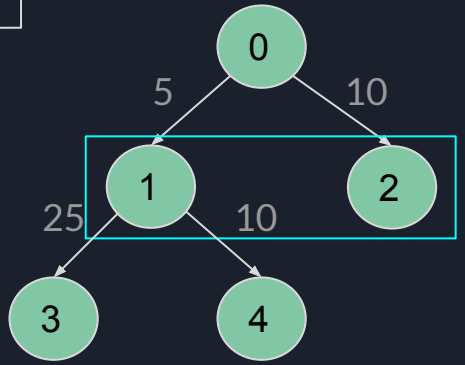
wave front

Cost threshold: 10

unexplored neighbors

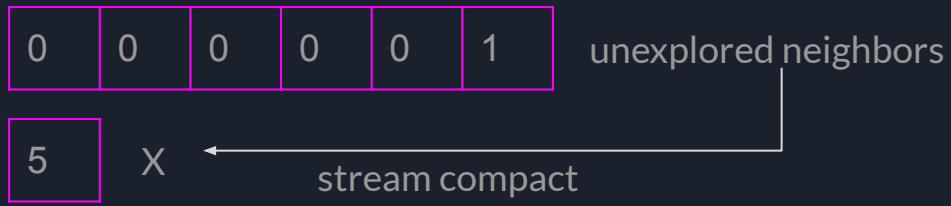
X

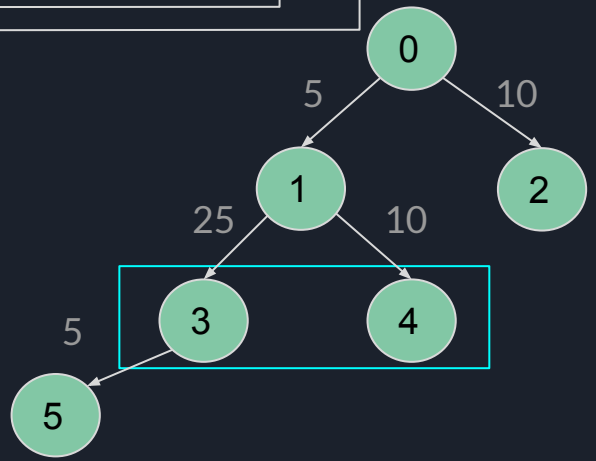
stream compact



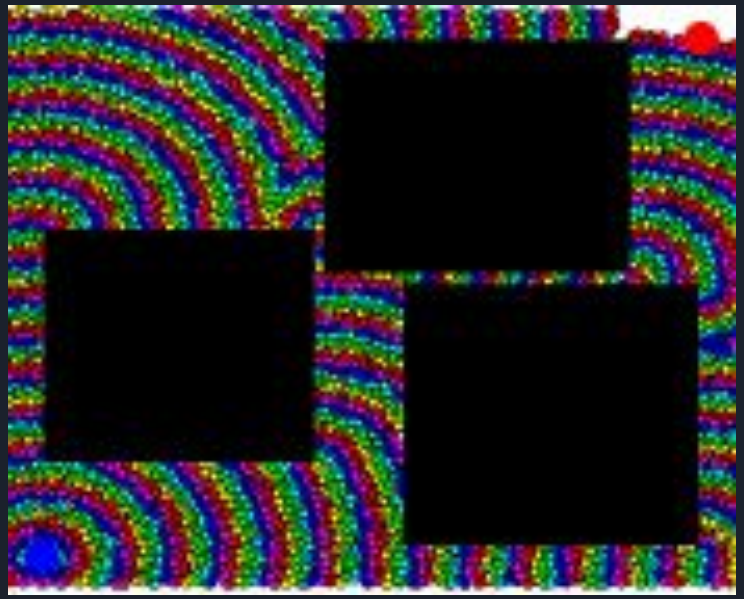
GMT*

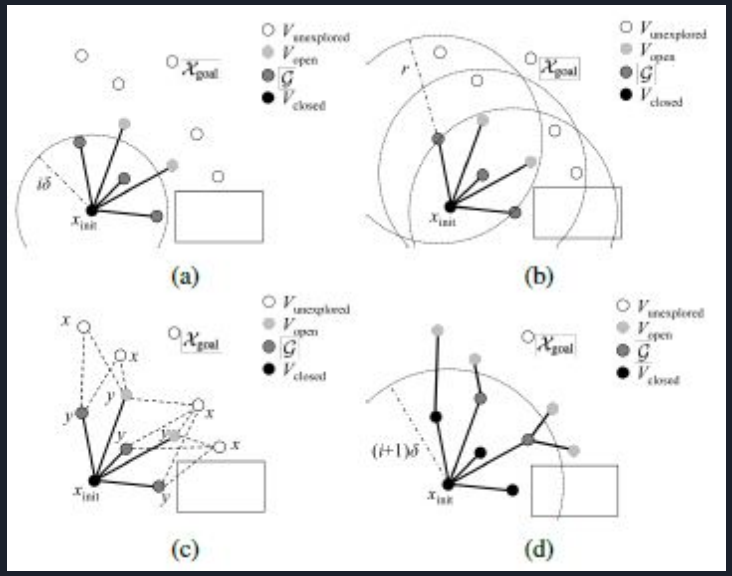
Cost threshold: 30





Wavefront Parallelization





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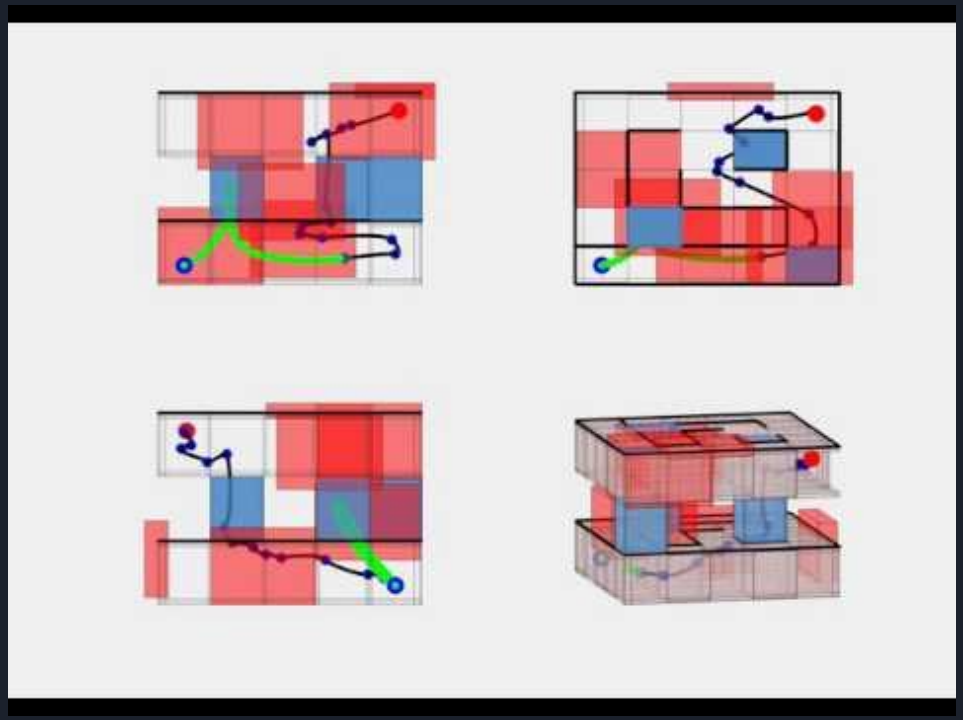
Previous Work



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