

The Kautham Project

A Software Tool for Robot
Motion Planning and Simulation



Planning and Implementation of Robotic Systems

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1. Objectives and requirements

1. Objective

To provide an environment for testing and developing motion planning algorithms

Teaching perspective:

Allow students to easily gain insight into the different planning algorithms

- Availability of a wide range of planners,
- Possibility to flexibly use and parameterize planners
- Capacity to visualize 2D configuration spaces,

Research perspective

Ease the development of motion planning strategies for hand-arm robotic systems

- Simple configurability of the coupling between degrees of freedom
- Dynamic simulation
- Benchmarking capabilities



1. Objectives and requirements

2. Requirements

- General:
 - Multiplatform and open source
 - Different interfaces (GUI, Console, ROS)
- Planning:
 - Samplers
 - Collision-detection
 - Problem description
 - Math utilities (Transform, PCA, ...)
 - Benchmarking
- Simulation:
 - Geometric modelling
 - Visualization
 - Kinematics and dynamics



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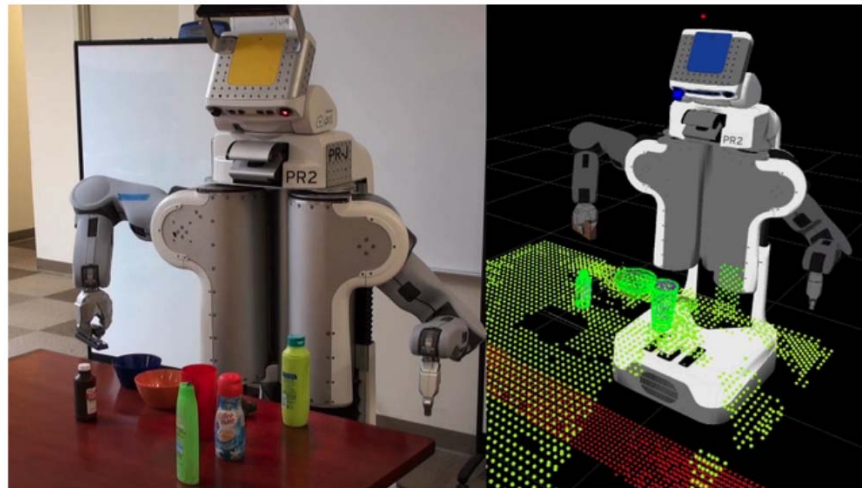
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Movelt! is a new software framework for motion planning in ROS.

Uses **OMPL** as its core Motion Planning library.

moveit.ros.org



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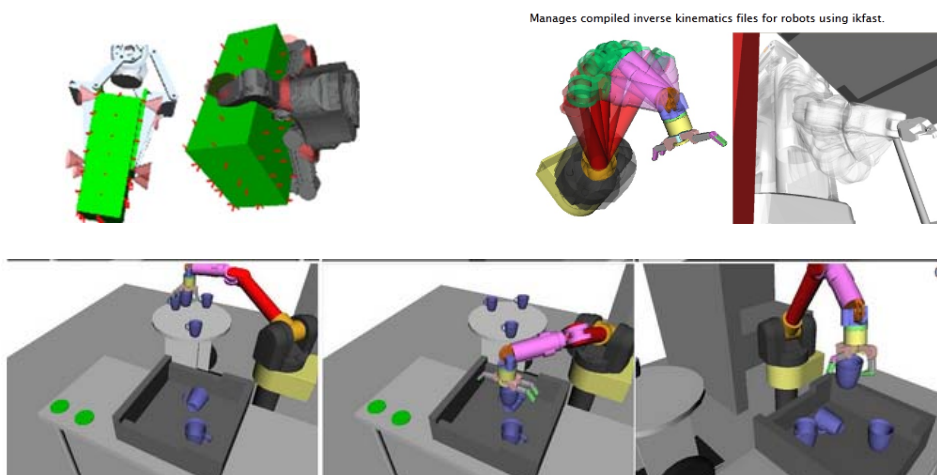
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Open Robotics Automation Virtual Environment (**OpenRAVE**) provides an environment for testing, developing motion planning algorithms

Offers some sampling-based planning algorithms for robot arms.

Has grasping and inverse kinematics modules.



Manages compiled inverse kinematics files for robots using ikfast.



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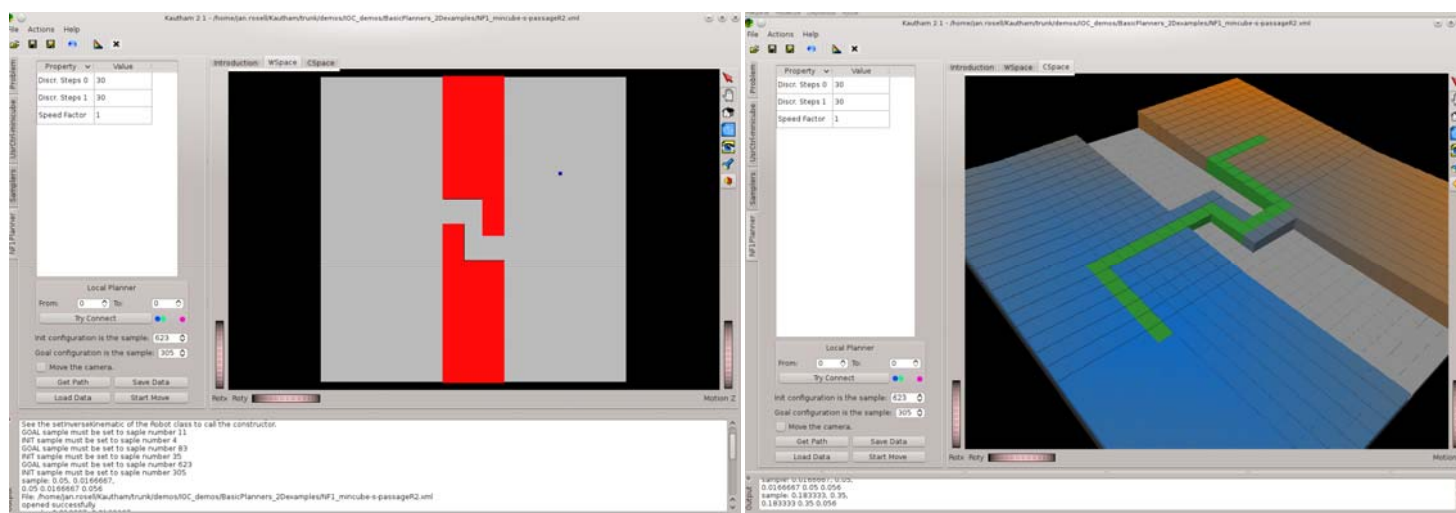
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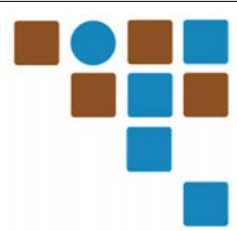
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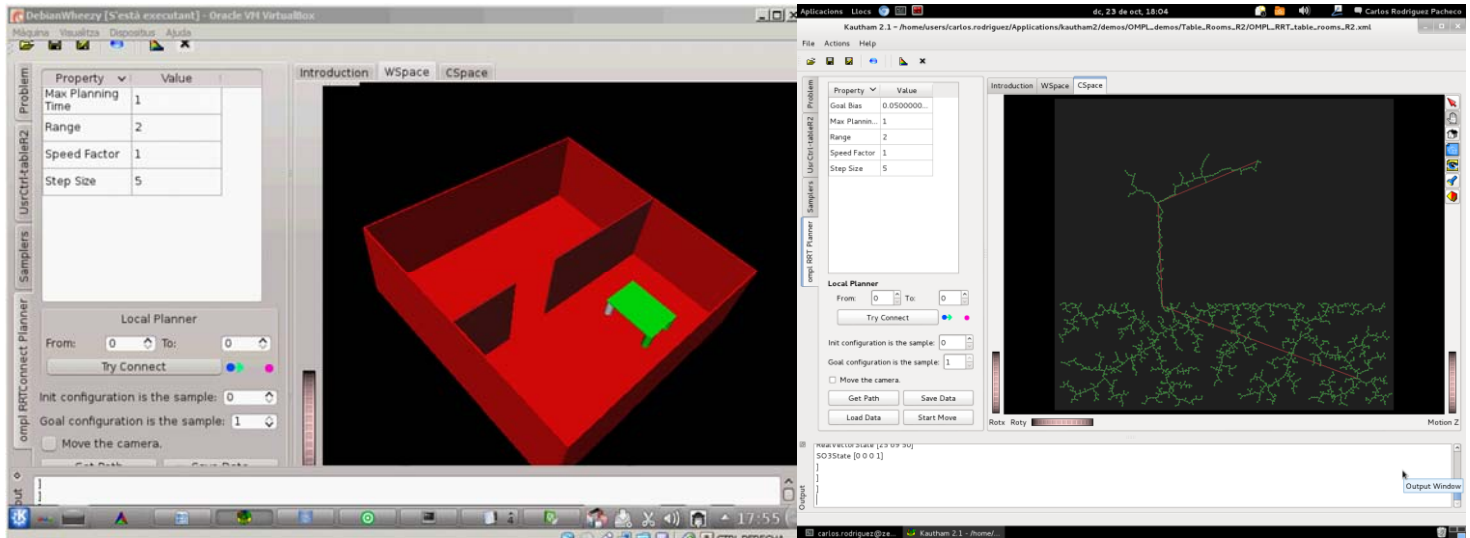
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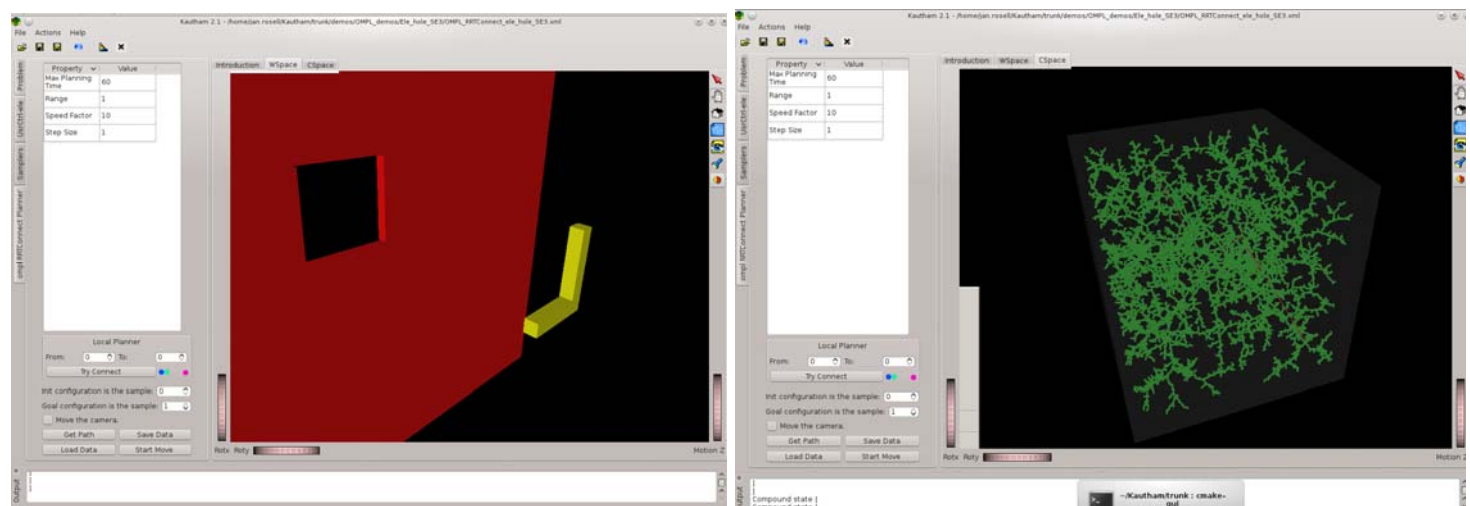
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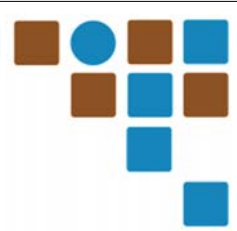
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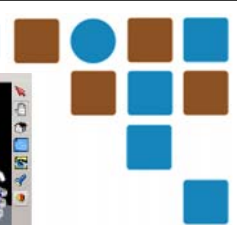
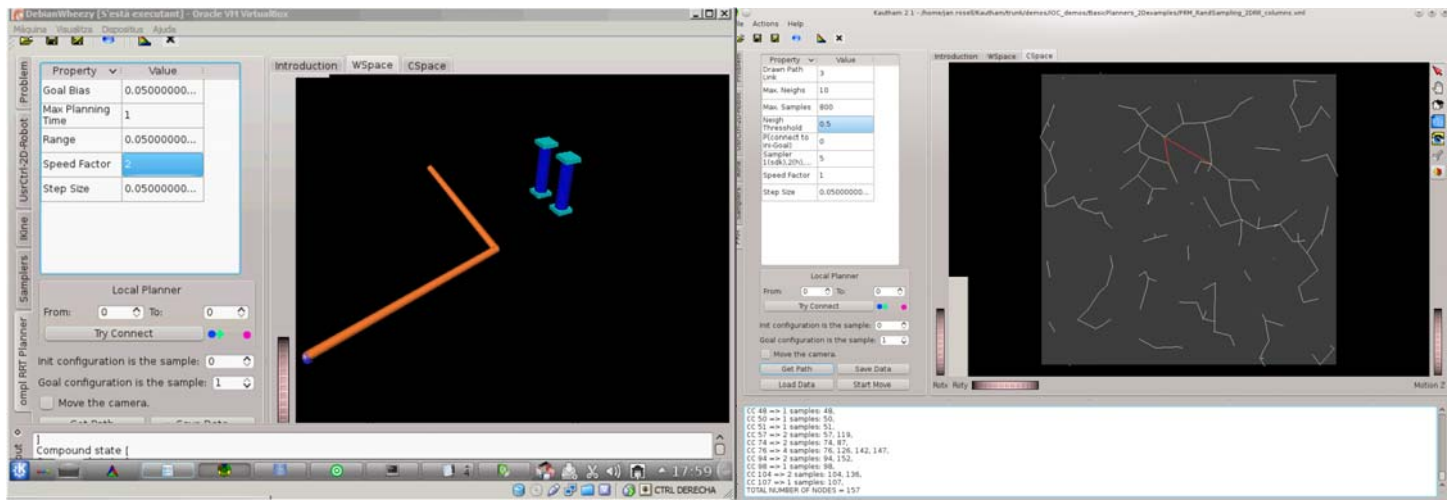
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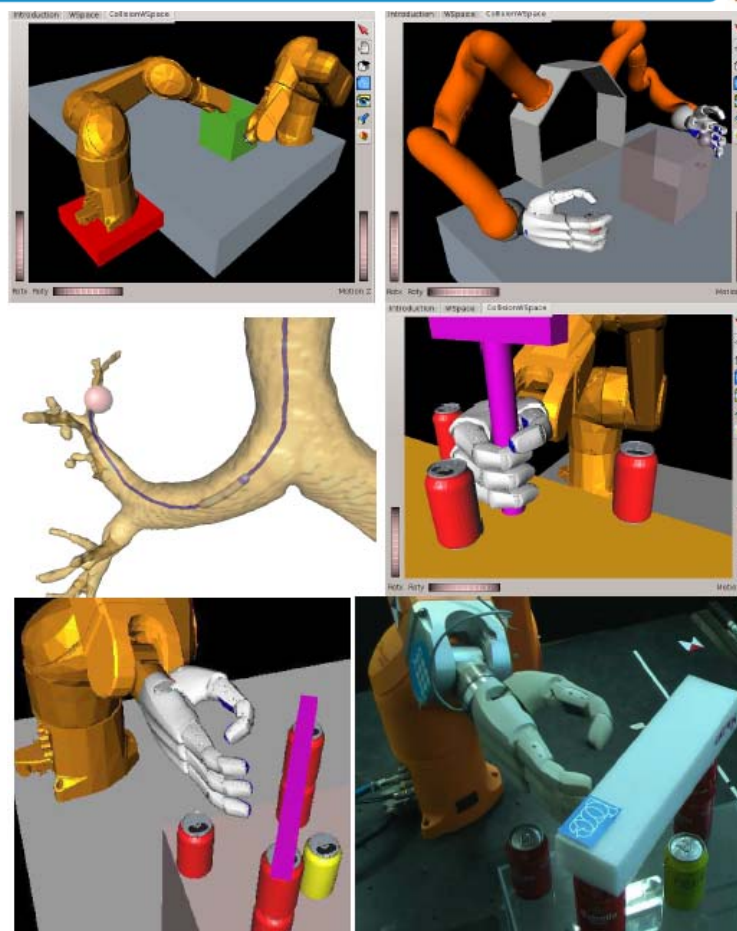
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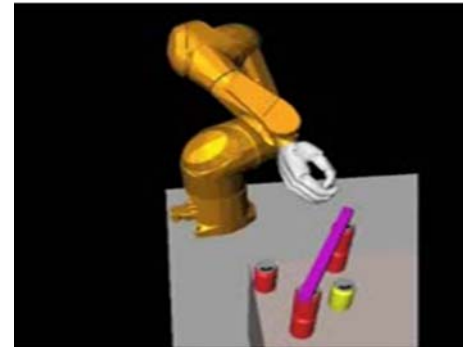
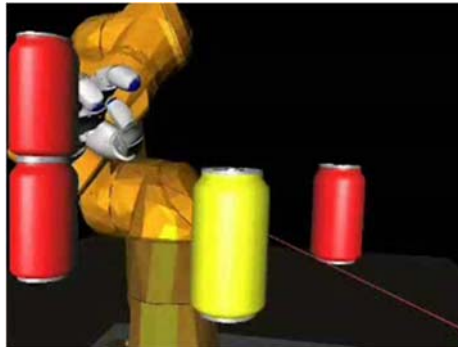
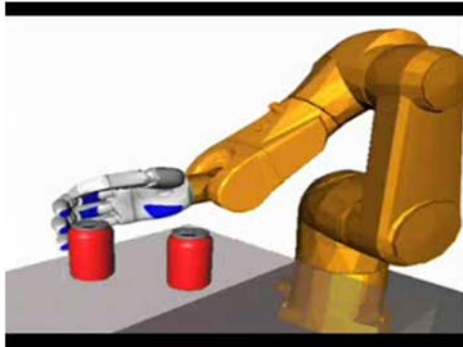
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1. Programming Language (C++)

C++:

- Object Oriented Programming (class hierarchy)
- Generic Programming (templates)

Doxygen: www.doxygen.org

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```

Main Page	Classes	Files	
Class List	Class Index	Class Members	
Test Class Reference			
#include <afterdoc.h>			
Public Types			
enum EnumType { EVal1, EVal2 }			
An enum type. More...			
Public Member Functions			
void member ()			
a member function.			
Protected Attributes			
int value			





3. Tools

1. Programming Language (C++)

CMake: <http://www.cmake.org/>

- Cross-platform, open-source build system.
- Used to control the software compilation process.
- Uses simple platform and compiler independent configuration files (CMakefile.txt).

```
# Make sure the compiler can find include files from our Hello library.
include_directories (${HELLO_SOURCE_DIR}/Hello)

# Make sure the linker can find the Hello library once it is built.
link_directories (${HELLO_BINARY_DIR}/Hello)

# Add executable called "helloDemo" that is built from the source files
# "demo.cxx" and "demo_b.cxx". The extensions are automatically found.
add_executable (helloDemo demo.cxx demo_b.cxx)

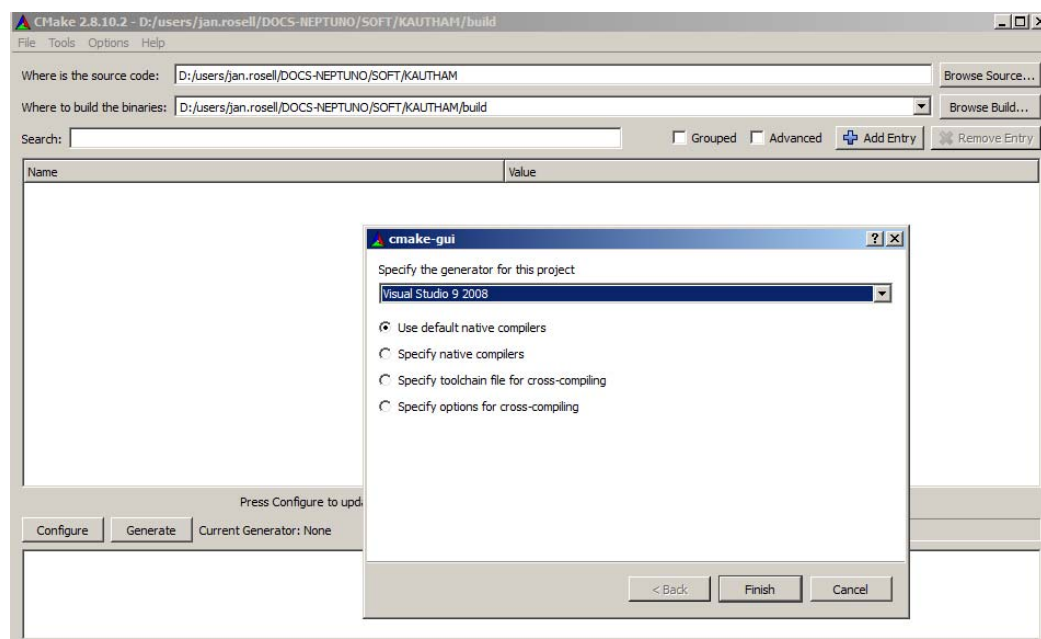
# Link the executable to the Hello library.
target_link_libraries (helloDemo Hello)
```

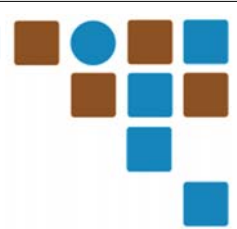


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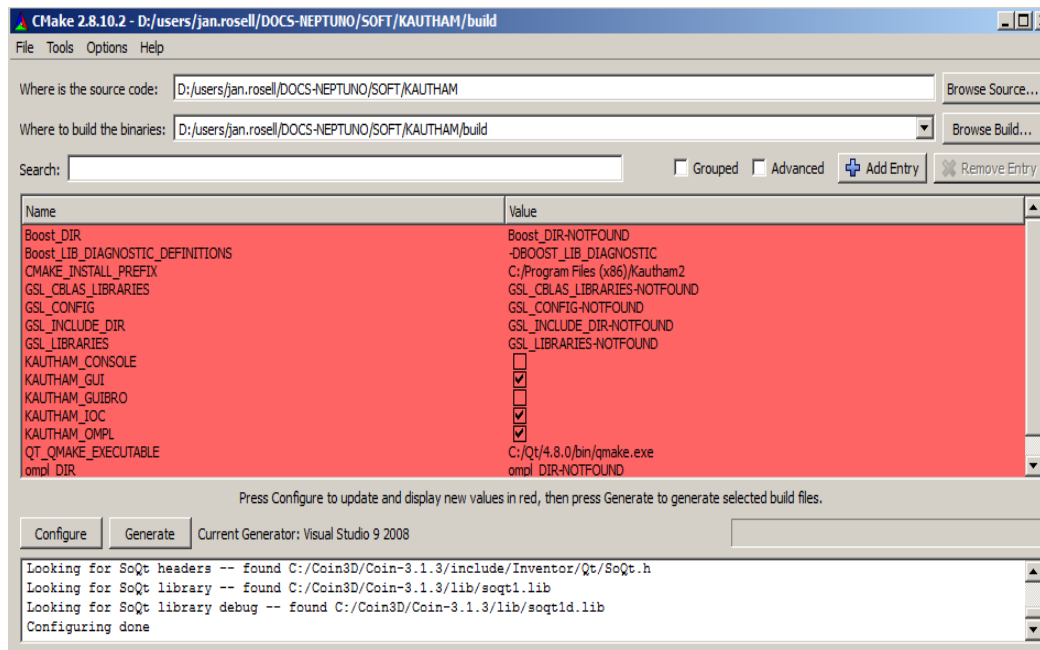




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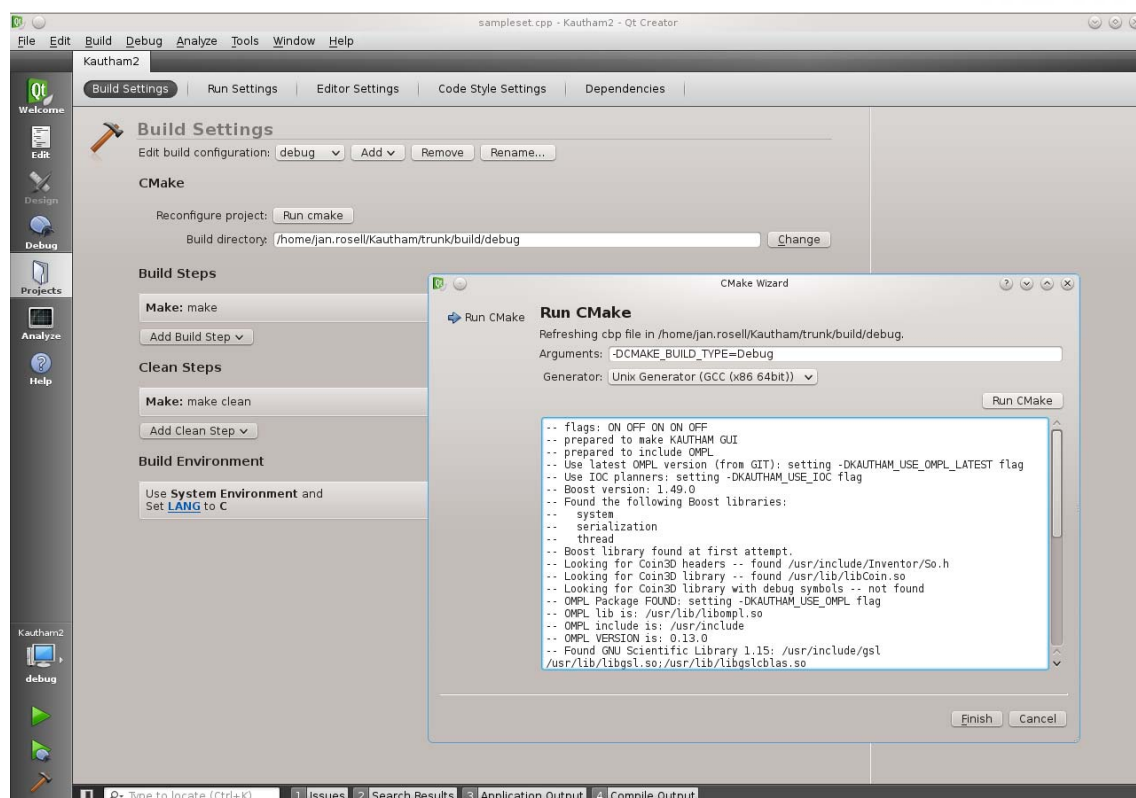
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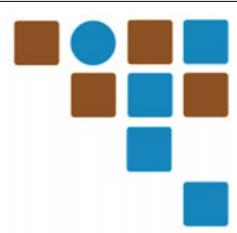
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QtCreator



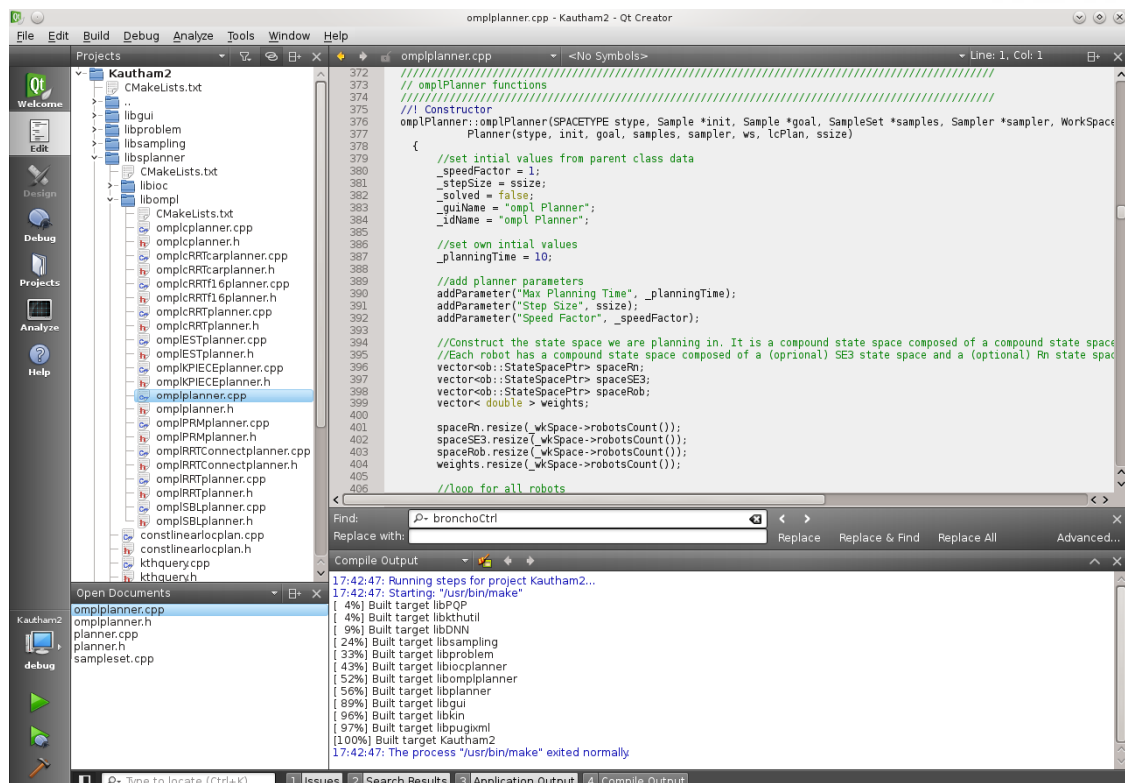
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2. Input data (XML)

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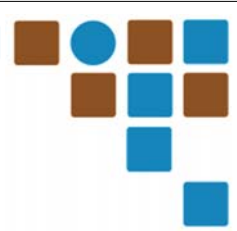


```
<Robot name="2D-Robot" DHType="Modified" robType="Chain">
  <Joints size="4">
    <Joint name="Base" ivFile="2DRR/base.iv">
      <DHParams alpha="0.0" a="0.0" theta="0.0" d="0.0"></DHParams>
      <Description rotational="false" movable="false" trunk="true"></Description>
      <Limits Hi="0" Low="0"></Limits>
      <Weight weight="1.0"></Weight>
      <Parent name=""></Parent>
    </Joint>
```

<http://code.google.com/p/pugixml/>



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```
<Robot name="2D-Robot" DHType="Modified" robType="Chain">
  <Joints size="4">
    <Joint name="Base" i=1>
      <DHPars alpha="0.0">
        <Description rotate="0" />
        <Limits Hi="0" Low="0" />
        <Weight weight="1.0" />
        <Parent name=""></Parent>
      </DHPars>
    </Joint>
  </Joints>
</Robot>
```

```
// Opening the file with the new pugiXML library.
xml_document doc;
xml_parse_result result = doc.load_file(robotFileName);

if(result){
  name = doc.child("Robot").attribute("name").value();
  tmpString = doc.child("Robot").attribute("DHType").value();
  if( tmpString == "Standard")
    dhApproach = DHSTANDARD;
  else
    dhApproach = DHMODIFIED;

  tmpString = doc.child("Robot").attribute("robType").value();
  if( tmpString == "Tree")
    robType = TREE;
  else
    robType = CHAIN;

  int numLinks = doc.child("Robot").child("Joints").attribute("size").as_int();
}
```

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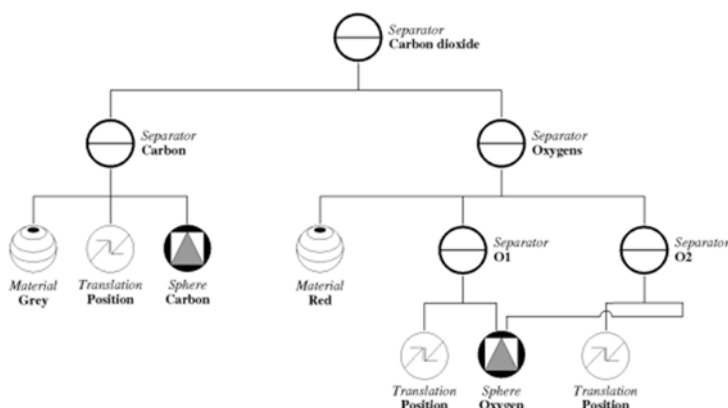
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3. Graphics rendering (Coin3D)

VRML (Virtual Reality Modeling Language) is a language to describe 3D scenes represented as hierarchical structures called **scene graphs**. It is derived from Open Inventor.



Scene graphs are composed of **nodes**:



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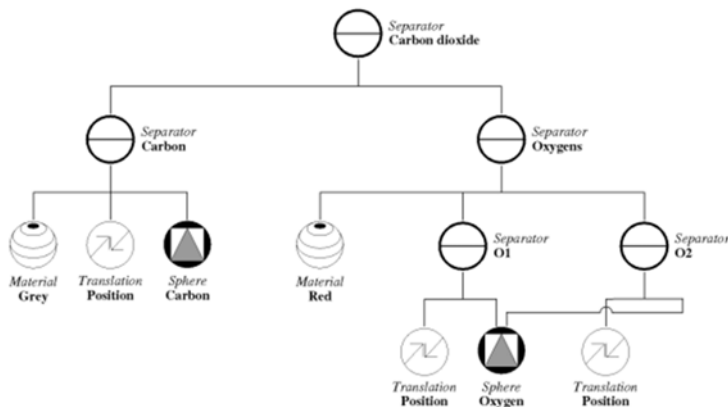
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Scene graphs are composed of nodes:



- **Grouping nodes:** Allow collections of nodes to be treated as a single object..
Separator

- **Shape nodes:** Define the geometry of objects.

Cone,
Cube,
Cylinder,
IndexedFaceSet,
IndexedLineSet,...

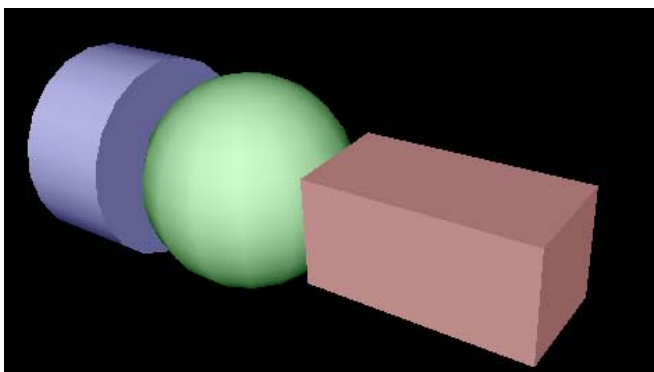
- **Property nodes:** Affect the way shapes are drawn

Coordinate3, Normal
Material, Texture2
Scale, Rotation, Translation, Transform



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3. Graphics rendering (Coin3D)



```
#Inventor V2.1 ascii
Separator {
  Separator {
    Material { ambientColor 1 0 0 }
    Translation { translation 2 0 0 }
    Cube {
      width 2
      height 1
      depth 1
    }
  }
  Separator {
    Material { ambientColor 0 1 0 }
    Sphere {
      radius 1
    }
  }
  Separator {
    Material { ambientColor 0 0 1 }
    Transform {
      translation -1.5 0 0
      rotation 0 0 1 1.57
    }
    Cylinder {
      radius 1
      height 1
    }
  }
}
```





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3. Graphics rendering (Coin3D)



```
#Inventor V2.1 ascii
DEF root Separator {
  Coordinate3 {
    point [ 74.788116 43.004623 -4.2538171,
            74.884567 43.917862 -4.4998798,
            74.813957 43.249325 -3.8276234,
            74.891487 43.983429 -4.2538171,
            .....
            80.107117 41.732285 -4.0512743,
            78.498566 41.732285 -1.6596944 ]
  }
  Material {
    ambientColor 1 1 0
    shininess 0.5
    transparency 0
  }
  Normal {
    vector [ 0.99446958 -0.10502493 -1.8613993e-005,
            0.99446881 -0.10503261 -5.7537796e-005,
            0.99446881 -0.1050326 7.1884065e-006,
            ....]
  }
  IndexedTriangleStripSet {
    coordIndex [ 0, 16, 3, -1, 10, 2, 5, -1,
                5, 2, 9, -1, 3, 16, 1, -1,
                1, 16, 12, -1, 18, 12, 14, -1,
                12, 16, 14, -1, 9, 2, 4, -1,
                .....
                1110, 1186, 1117, -1, 1187, 1186, 1110, -1,
                1187, 1116, 1186, -1, 1115, 1175, 1116, -1 ]
  }
}
```



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3. Graphics rendering (Coin3D)

Coin3D is an open source implementation of the Open Inventor API.

It allows to read, create and manipulate 3D scenes

```
sca = new SoScale();
scaVec= new SoSFVec3f;
scaVec->setValue((float) scale, (float) scale, (float) scale);
sca->scaleFactor.connectFrom(scaVec);

trans= new SoTranslation;
posVec = new SoSFVec3f;
trans->translation.connectFrom(posVec);
posVec->setValue((float) position[0], (float) position[1], (float) position[2]);

ivmodel = new SoSeparator;
ivmodel->ref();
ivmodel->addChild(sca);
ivmodel->addChild(trans);
```

```
SoQtViewer* tmp = ((Viewer) viewers.at(viewsTab->currentIndex()-1)).window;
SoCamera* tmpCam = tmp->getCamera();
tmpCam->position.setValue(x, y, z);
tmp->viewAll();
```



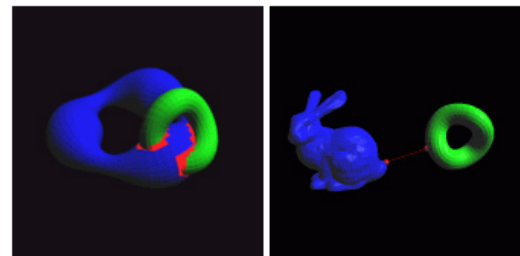


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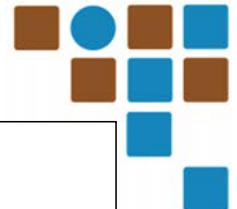
4. Collision detection (PQP)

PQP (Proximity Query Package) is a library for performing three types of proximity queries on a pair of geometric models composed of triangles:

- *Collision detection* - detecting whether the two models overlap, and optionally, all of the triangles that overlap.
- *Distance computation* - computing the minimum distance between a pair of models, i.e., the distance between the closest pair of points.
- *Tolerance verification* - determining whether two models are closer or farther than a tolerance distance



<http://gamma.cs.unc.edu/SSV/>



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4. Collision detection (PQP)

```
pqpmodel = new PQP_Model;
SoCallbackAction triAction;
tri_info info(pqpmodel, scale);
pqpmodel->BeginModel();
triAction.addTriangleCallback(
    SoShape::getClassTypeId(),
    triang_CB, (void*)&info);
triAction.apply(ivModel());
pqpmodel->EndModel();
```

```
PQP_CollideResult pqp_coll_result;
KthReal *pR,*pO;
double posR[3];
double oriR[3][3];
double posO[3];
double oriO[3][3];
SbMatrix matO, matR;
SbRotation vcR;

pR = getPosition();
pO = other->getPosition();
for(int i=0;i<3;i++){
    posR[i]= (double)pR[i];
    posO[i]= (double)pO[i];
}

matR = orientationMatrix();
matO = ((IVPQElement*)other)->orientationMatrix();
for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++){
    for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++){
        oriR[i][j] = matR[i][j];
        oriO[i][j] = matO[i][j];
    }
}

PQP_Collide(&pqp_coll_result,
    oriR, posR, pqpModel(),
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    PQP_FIRST_CONTACT);
return (pqp_coll_result.Colliding() != 0);
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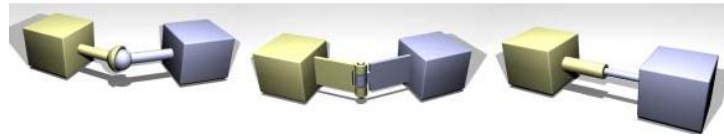


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5. ODE (dynamic simulation)

ODE is an open source, high performance library for simulating rigid body dynamics. It is fully featured, stable, mature and platform independent

It has advanced joint types and integrated collision detection with friction.



It has an easy to use C/C++ API, e.g:

```
dWorldID dWorldCreate();
dBodyID dBodyCreate(dWorldID);

void dBodySetPosition (dBodyID, dReal x, dReal y, dReal z);
void dBodySetRotation (dBodyID, const dMatrix3 R);
void dBodySetMass (dBodyID, const dMass *mass);
void dBodyAddForce (dBodyID, dReal fx, dReal fy, dReal fz);

dJointID dJointCreateHinge (dWorldID, dJointGroupID);
void dJointAttach (dJointID, dBodyID body1, dBodyID body2);
```



<http://www.ode.org/>



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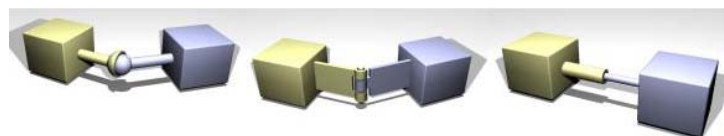


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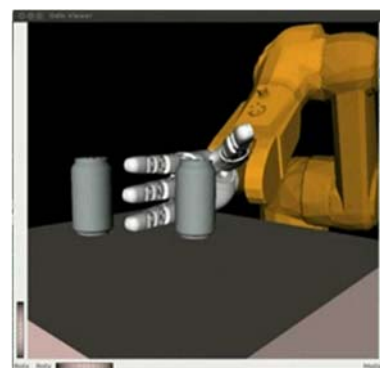
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6. Maths Utilities (mt / Armadillo)

mt: The mt library is a set of classes and functions that implement concepts from the domains of geometry and rigid body mechanics.

```
//interpolation of rotations
mt::Quaternion a(coord.at(3), coord.at(4), coord.at(5), coord.at(6));
mt::Quaternion b(other.at(3), other.at(4), other.at(5), other.at(6));
mt::Quaternion res = a.slerp(b,fraction);

//Transformation definition
mt::Unit axis(1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
mt::Point2 pos=(0.0,0.0,10.0);
mt::Scalar angle=45;
mt::Rotation rot(axis,angle);
mt::Translation trans(pos);
mt::Transform(trans,rot);
```

Armadillo: is a C++ linear algebra library with a good balance between speed and ease of use. Its API is similar to MATLAB

```
mat coeff; //coeff: principal component coefficients
vec latent; //latent: principal component variances.
mat score; //projected data
princomp(coeff, score, latent,cov(PCA11PMDs)); //Computes PCA
```



<http://arma.sourceforge.net/>



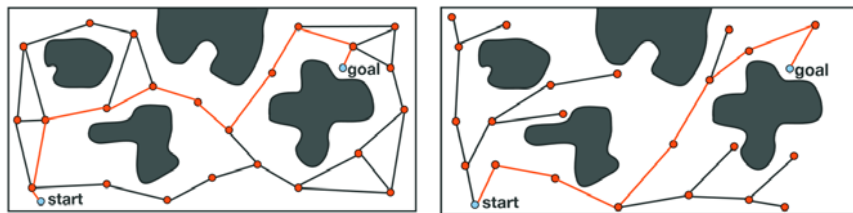
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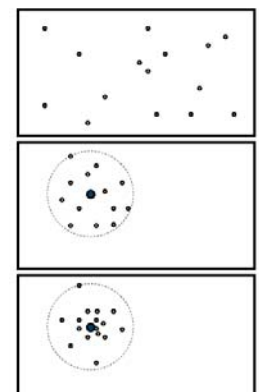
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7. Motion Planning (OMPL)

- OMPL contains implementations of many sampling-based algorithms such as PRM, RRT, and several variants of these planners.



- All the planners operate on **very abstractly defined state spaces**. Many commonly used state spaces are already implemented (e.g. $SE(2)$, $SE(3)$, \mathbb{R}^n)
- For any state space, different **state samplers** can be used (e.g., uniform, Gaussian, obstacle based).



<http://ompl.kavrakilab.org/>



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4. Basic features

1. Problem description

XML file with four basic main sections

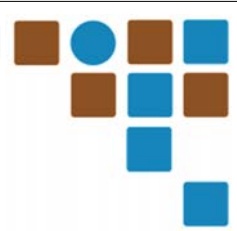
Robot(s)

Obstacle(s)

Controls

Planner

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<Problem name="OMPL_RRTConnect_Staubli_R6_mobileBase_two_columns">
  <Robot robot="robots/TX90_mobile.dh" scale="1.0">
    <Limits name="X" min="-400.0" max="1200.0" />
    <Limits name="Y" min="-200.0" max="1000.0" />
    <Limits name="Z" min="0.0" max="1000.0" />
    <Home TH="180.0" WZ="1.0" WY="0.0" WX="0.0" Z="0.0" Y="400.0" X="-300.0" />
  </Robot>
  <Obstacle obstacle="obstacles/columns.iv" scale="18.0">
    <Home TH="0.0" WZ="0.0" WY="0.0" WX="1.0" Z="0.0" Y="0.0" X="250.0" />
  </Obstacle>
  <Controls robot="controls/TX90_mobile.cntr" />
  <Planner>
    <Parameters>
      <Name>omplRRTConnect</Name>
      <Parameter name="Max Planning Time">10.0</Parameter>
      <Parameter name="Range">10</Parameter>
      <Parameter name="Speed Factor">1</Parameter>
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    </Parameters>
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        <Goal dim="8">0.79 0.91 0.11 0.49 0.87 0.73 0.25 0.75</Goal>
      </Query>
    </Queries>
  </Planner>
</Problem>
```



4. Basic features

2. Modelling robots and obstacles

Robots: tree-like kinematic structure with an optional mobile base ($SE3 \times \mathbb{R}^n$) defined using

- a) *Universal Robotic Description Language (URDF)* b) *Denavit-Hartenberg (DH) parameters coded in an XML*

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<robot name="allegro_hand_right">
  <link name="Palm">
    <visual>
      <geometry>
        <mesh filename="AllegroHand/right/base_link_right.wrl" />
      </geometry>
      <origin rpy="0 0 0" xyz="0 0 0" />
      <material name="black">
        <color rgba="0.2 0.2 0.2 1" />
      </material>
    </visual>
    <collision>
      <origin rpy="0 0 0" xyz="-0.009300 0 -0.0475" />
      <geometry>
        <box size="0.0408 0.1130 0.095" />
      </geometry>
    </collision>
  </link>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<Robot name="KukaLWR" DHType="Modified" robType="Chain">
  <WeightSE3 rho_t="1.0" rho_r="1.0" />
  <Joints size="8">
    <Joint name="Base" ivFile="kukaLWR/base.wrl">
      <DHParams alpha="0.0" a="0.0" theta="0.0" d="0.0" />
      <Description rotational="false" movable="false" />
      <Limits Hi="0" Low="0" />
      <Weight weight="1.0" />
      <Parent name="" />
    </Joint>
    <Joint name="Link1" ivFile="kukaLWR/link1.wrl">
      <DHParams alpha="0.0" a="0.0" theta="0.0" d="310.0" />
      <Description rotational="true" movable="true" />
      <Limits Hi="170.0" Low="-170.0" />
      <Weight weight="1.0" />
      <Parent name="Base" />
    </Joint>
```

Includes: path to a VRML describing the geometry, (optionally) collision models and inverse kinematic

Obstacles: defined as robots (fixed obstacles will have no controls defined)



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3. Planners

Type of planners:

- Potential field-based planners: NF1, HF
- Sampling-based planners (OMPL): PRM, RRT, RRTconnect, RRT*, SBL, EST, KPIECE

Features:

- a) The GUI is easily adaptable to new planners

```
addParameter("MinGrowTime", _MinGrowTime);
addParameter("MinExpandTime", _MinExpandTime);
addParameter("DistanceThreshold", _distanceThreshold);
addParameter("MaxNearestNeighbors", _MaxNearestNeighbors);
addParameter("BounceSteps", _BounceSteps);
```

Property	Value
Cspace Drawn	0
Incremental (0/1)	0
Speed Factor	1
Max Planning Time	10
Range	10
Simplify Solution	2

- b) Controls

- *Default:* one control per each joint defined as moveable, plus six for the mobile base (provided that the problem definition file includes the translational limits of motion thus indicating that the base is mobile)
- *Defined by an XML file*

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Industrial robot with a fixed base

Free-flying robot with two translational d.o.f.

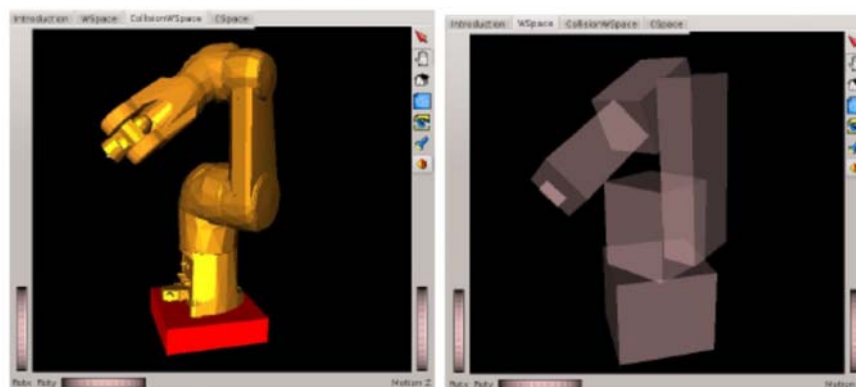
```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ControlSet>
  <Offset>
    <DOF name="bigcube/X" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="bigcube/Y" value="0.5" />
  </Offset>
  <Control name="bigcube/x" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="bigcube/X" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="bigcube/y" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="bigcube/Y" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
</ControlSet>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ControlSet>
  <Offset>
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link1" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link2" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link3" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link4" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link5" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link6" value="0.5" />
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link7" value="0.5" />
  </Offset>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis1" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link1" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis2" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link2" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis3" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link4" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis4" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link5" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis5" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link6" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis6" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link7" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
  <Control name="KukaLWR/Axis7" eigValue="1.0">
    <DOF name="KukaLWR/Link3" value="1.0" />
  </Control>
</ControlSet>
```

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4. Visualization

1. Visualization of rendering models and collision models.



2. Visualization of the workspace and of the configuration space

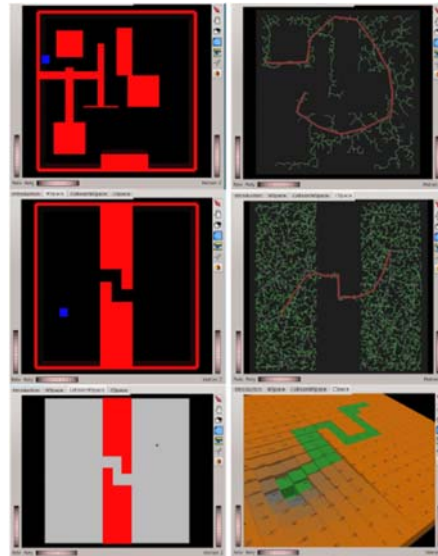
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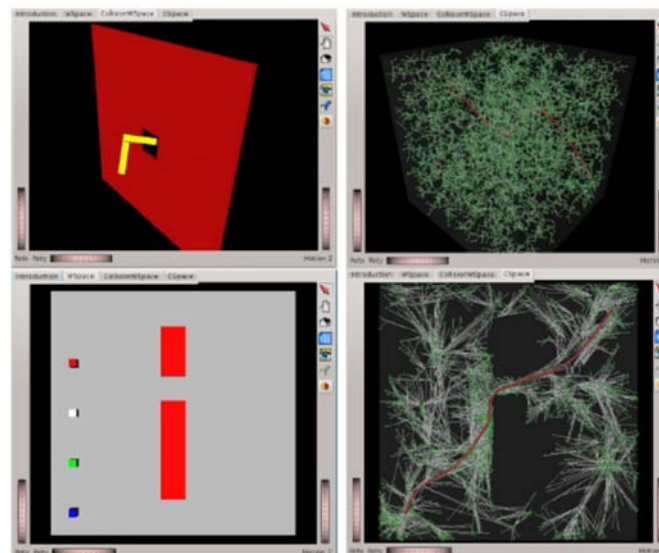
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5. Advanced features

1. Coupling between degrees of freedom

Configuration space for m robots: $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{C}_i \times \dots \times \mathcal{C}_m$

$$\mathcal{C}_i = SE3 \times \mathbb{R}^{n_i}$$

Dimension d : $d = \sum_{i=1}^m (6 + n_i)$

Configuration with normalized components in $[0,1]$: $\hat{q} = (\hat{q}_1, \dots, \hat{q}_d)^T$ with $\hat{q}_i = \frac{q_i - q_i^{\min}}{q_i^{\max} - q_i^{\min}}$

It can be determined using a vector of p of controls, and a $d \times p$ mapping matrix, K .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{q}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{q}_d \end{bmatrix} = K \begin{bmatrix} c_1 - 0.5 \\ \vdots \\ c_p - 0.5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} o_1 \\ \vdots \\ o_d \end{bmatrix}$$

Controls and offsets take values in the range $[0, 1]$

The mapping matrix defines how the degrees of freedom are actuated:

- An identity mapping matrix indicates that all the d.o.f. independently actuated.
- A mapping matrix with some zero rows indicates that some d.o.f. are not actuated.
- A mapping matrix with columns with several non-zero elements indicates coupling between d.o.f.

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1. Coupling between degrees of freedom

XML file defining one of the columns of matrix K that determines the coupling between the d.o.f. of a mechanical hand.

```
<Control name="SAH/handPMD_C1" eigValue="1.6550">
  <DOF name="SAH/Thumb" value="-0.0683" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Thumb-Base" value="-0.0683" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Thumb-Prox" value="0.2222" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Thumb-Med" value="0.3194" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Index-Base" value="0.2409" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Index-Prox" value="-0.4246" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Index-Med" value="0.2125" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Mid-Base" value="0.0" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Mid-Prox" value="-0.4884" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Mid-Med" value="0.2399" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Ring-Base" value="-0.1741" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Ring-Prox" value="-0.4451" />
  <DOF name="SAH/Ring-Med" value="0.1897" />
</Control>
```

Associated coupled motion



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2. Constrained motion planning

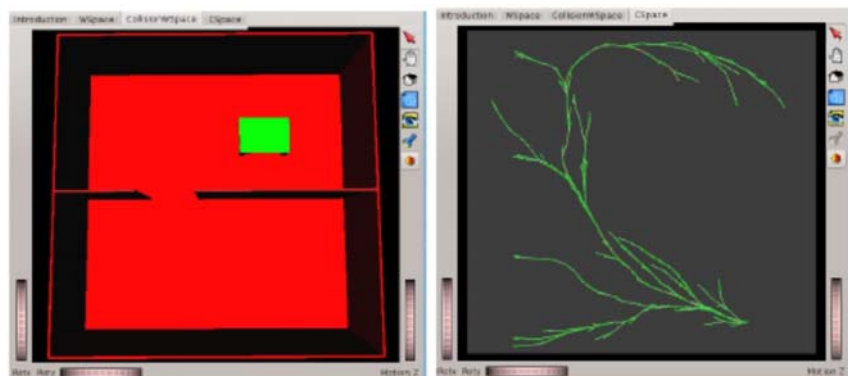
OMPL has two sets of planners: *geometric* and *based on controls*

The ones based on controls allow to plan under motion constraints.

The Kautham Project defines a class for each planner and type of robot that includes:

- The kinematic constrained model
- The bounds of the valid controls

Only the RRT has been currently incorporated





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3. Dynamic simulation

- **ODE** is used in The Kautham Project for dynamic simulation.
- OMPL library has the **OpenDE state space**, designed to represent the Cspace of the dynamic environment modeled with ODE.
- Dynamic information of robots/obstacles must be introduced using the **URDF** descriptions
- Dynamic environment is created by defining an ODE body for each robot/obstacle link and then generating the OMPL OpenDE state space corresponding to the set of bodies



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4. Integration with task planning

- To integrate task and motion planning, the **ROS** middleware is used.
- At the motion planning level, Kautham is encapsulated as a **ROS service**
- At the task planning level, the Cognitive Robot Abstract Machine (CRAM), behaves as a **ROS client**



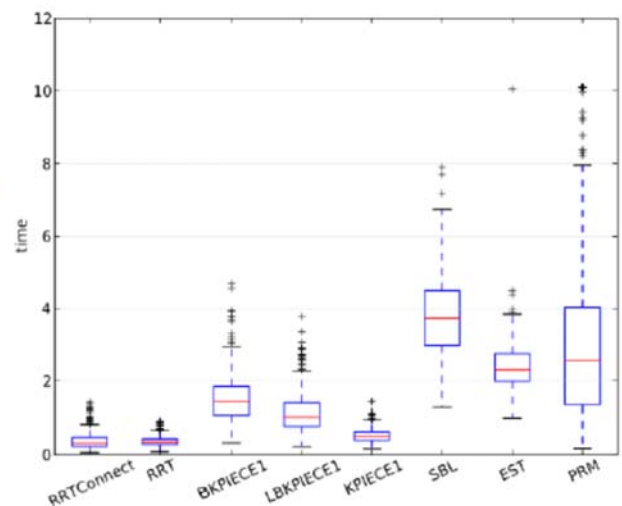


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5. Benchmarking

- A console application, called *Kautham Console*, is provided to run in batch mode and execute different benchmarkings, making use of the OMPL benchmarking utility.
- Solves a motion planning problem repeatedly with different planners, different samplers, or even differently configured versions of the same planning algorithm.

```
<Benchmark Name="experiment">
>   <Problem File="OMPL_EST_2DRR_columns.xml" />
>   <Problem File="OMPL_KPIECE_2DRR_columns.xml" />
>   <Parameter Name="maxTime" Value="10.0" />
>   <Parameter Name="maxMem" Value="100.0" />
>   <Parameter Name="runCount" Value="2" />
>   <Parameter Name="displayProgress" Value="true" />
>   <Parameter Name="filename" Value="result.log" />
</Benchmark>
```



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The demos related to the different families of planners, and the model folder containing the robots, the obstacles and the controls.

IOC demos: Divided in four folders containing basic planners for 2D examples and for higher dimensional examples, and more elaborate planners for hand-arm robotic systems.

OMPL demos: Divided in several folders, one for each problem. Each folder contains the problem file defined to be solved with several planners.

Models: Contains the description of different robots using either dh parameters or the urdf description, and the files with the geometry. The obstacles are described by iv files.



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The three Kautham applications: Console, GUI and using ROS.

Kautham_console application file: The main function that runs Kautham without graphical output. It is used to launch benchmarks or run some problems.

Class benchmark: Used to define OMPL benchmarks.

Class kauthamshell: Class that encapsulates all the Kautham classes. The console and the ROS applications use it to get access to all the Kautham classes.

Widget classes: Define the widgets of the GUI

GUI application file: The main function to run the GUI.

ROS node: Provide access, using ROS services, to all the utilities offered by Kautham through the kauthamshell class.





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Third party libraries:

Gdiam: Used to compute bounding volumes for the collision checking.

Libann: Library to compute Approximate Nearest Neighbors. Used for the IOC PRM planner.

PQP: Collision detection library.

Pugixml: Library used to parse input XML files.



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The sources of the planners: it includes the abstract class planner and the planners libraries ioc, omplc and omplg.

ioc: Includes potential field planners computed on grids (NF1 and HF), local planners, a general PRM planner and several derived classes devoted to the planning of hand-arm robotic systems using PMDs.

omplc: Contains the planners based on the control OMPL planners.

omplg: Contains the planners based on the geometric OMPL planners.





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The classes to set the scene and the problem to be solved.

- Classes element, ivelement, ivpqpelement
- Class link
- Classes robot, urdf
- Class obstacle
- Classes workspace, ivworkspace
- Class problem



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The classes to define configurations and the samples

- Classes conf, rnconf, se2conf, se3conf, robconf.
- Classes sample, sdksample.
- Class sampleset.
- Classes sampler, randomnessampler, haltonsampler, sdk_sampler, gaussian_sampler, gaussianlikesampler.





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Auxiliar classes.

Libmt: library for the management of transformations.

Kthutil: Basic structs and enumerates.

Libkin: inverse kinematics for some robots.



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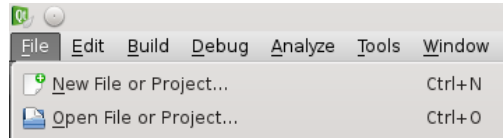
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0. Activate the ROS path with the menu: *Programari Docencia>ESAI>Activate ROS*
1. Create your workspace
 - > `mkdir -p catkin_ws/src`
 - > `cd catkin_ws`
2. Download the code from ATENEA and decompress it in catkin_ws
3. Build the application
 - > `catkin_make`
4. Open the GUI application
 - > `cd devel/lib/kautham2`
 - > `./Kautham2`
5. Browse the code
 - > `qtcreator&`



`~/catkin_ws/src/CMakeList.txt`

