

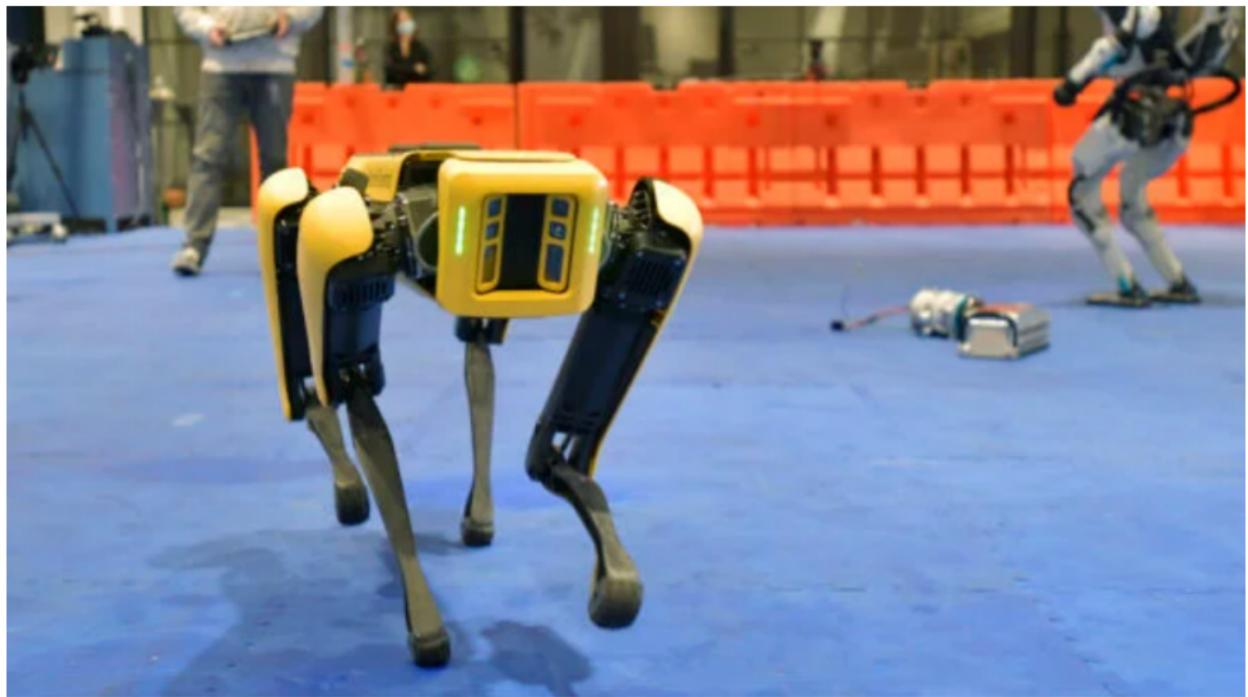
# A Graph-Based Search Approach to Planning and Learning

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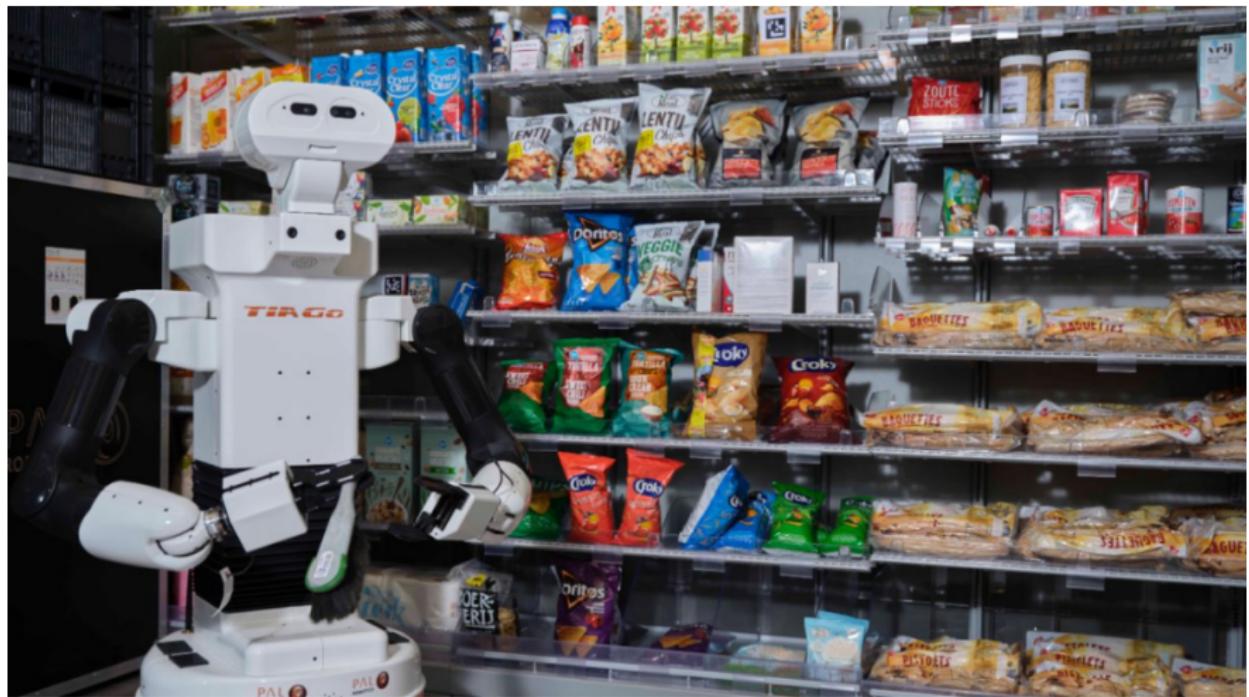
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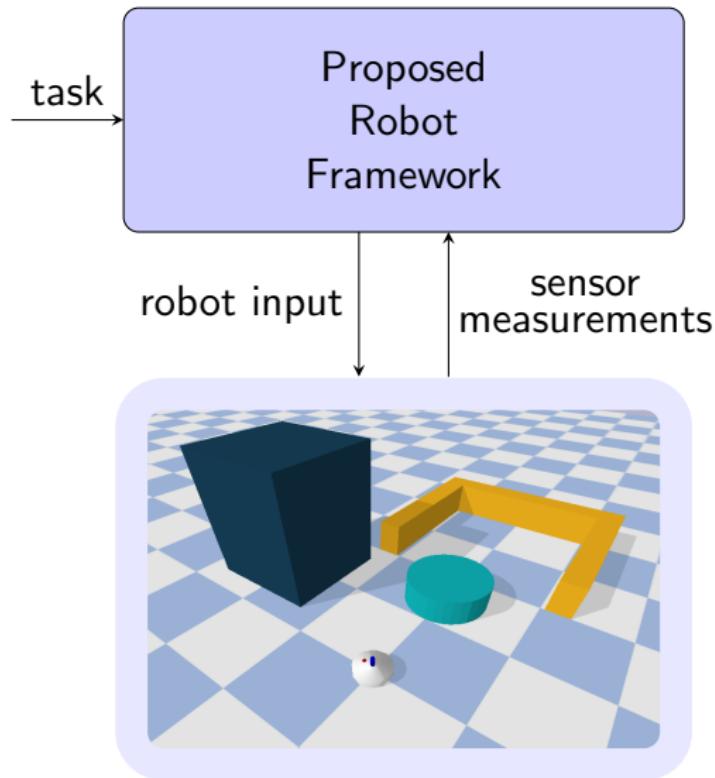
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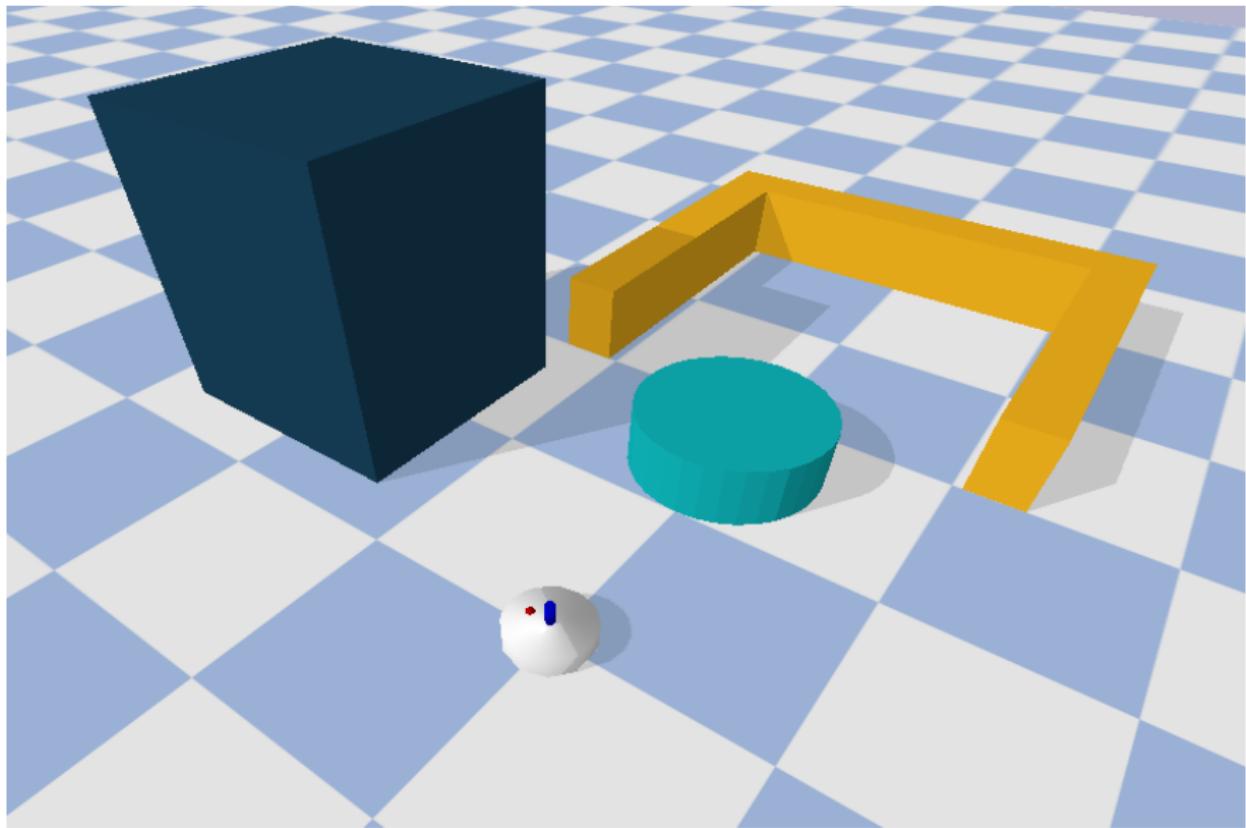
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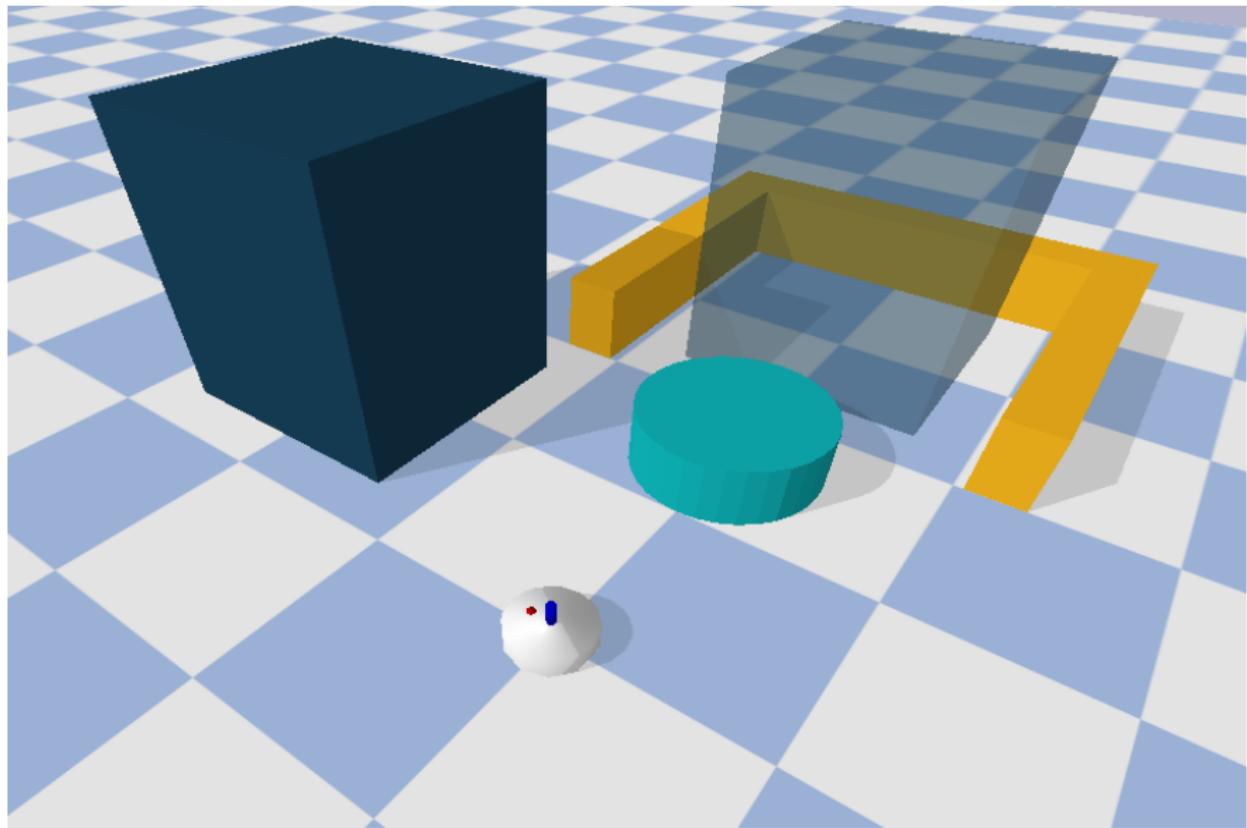
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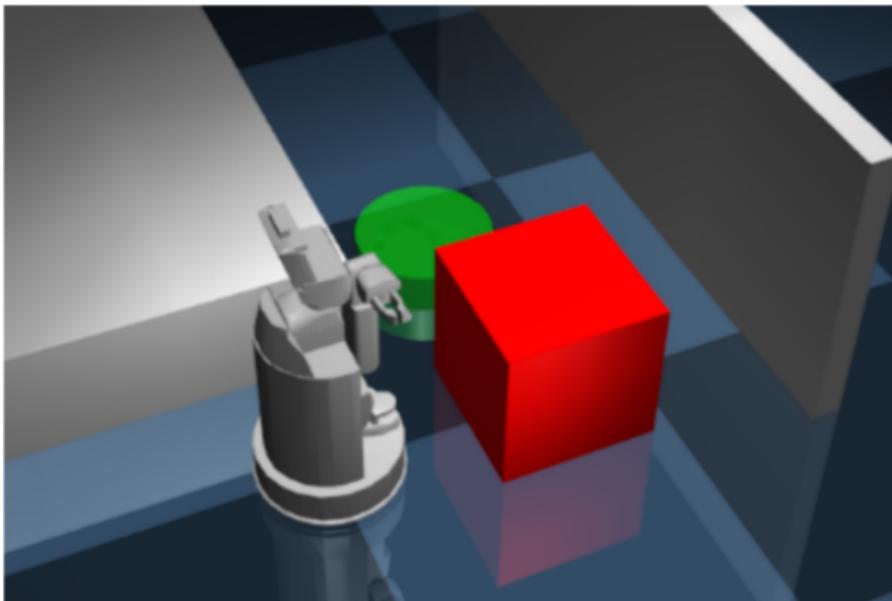
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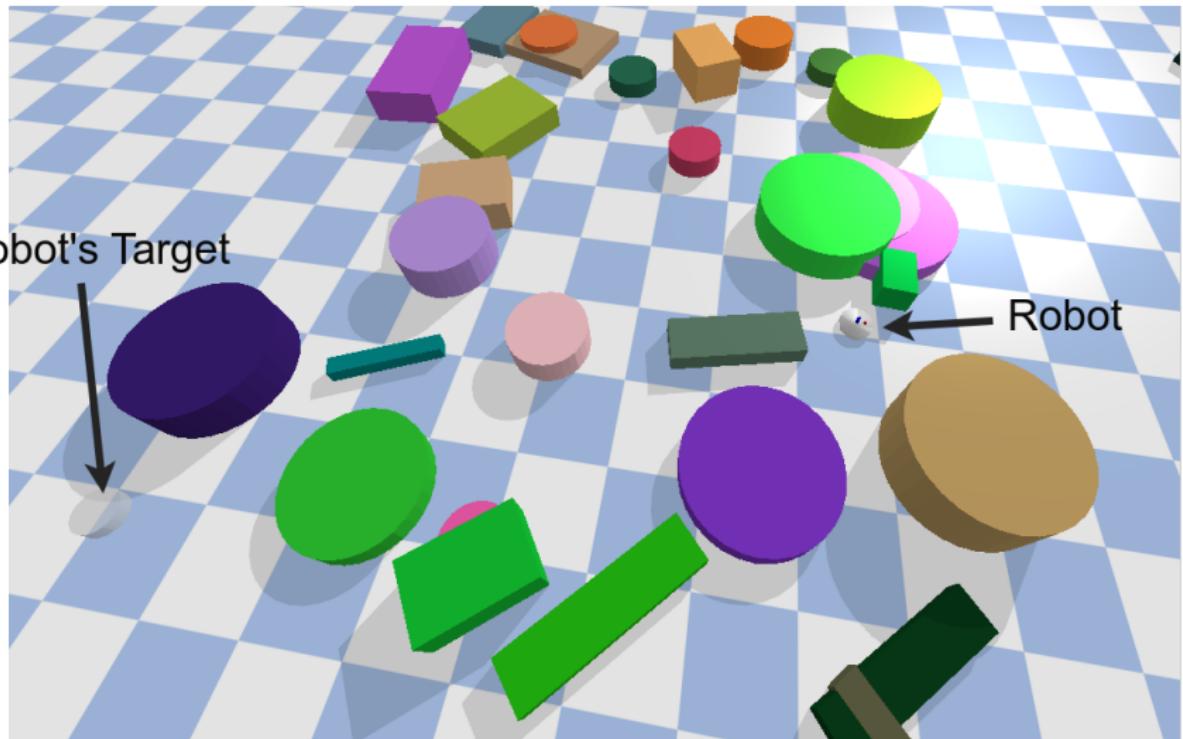
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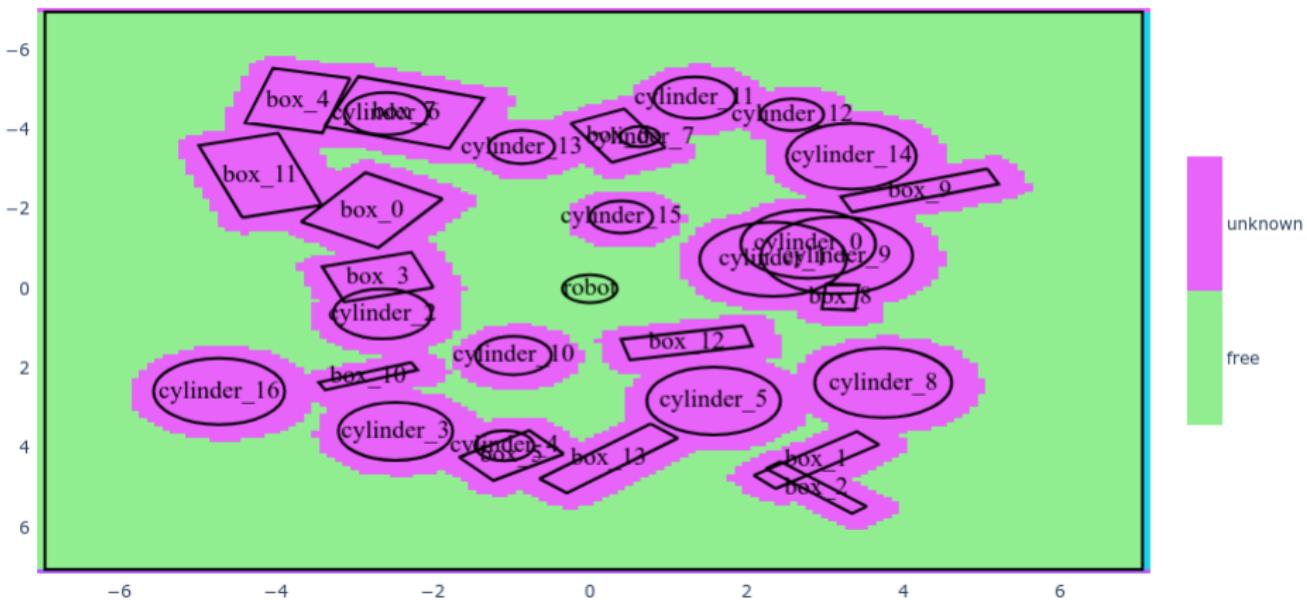
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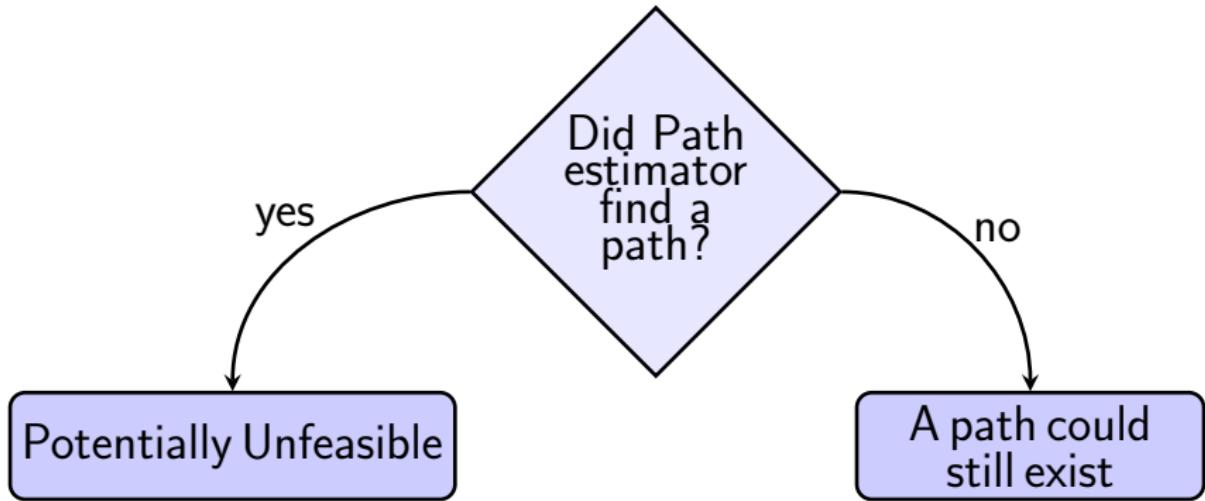
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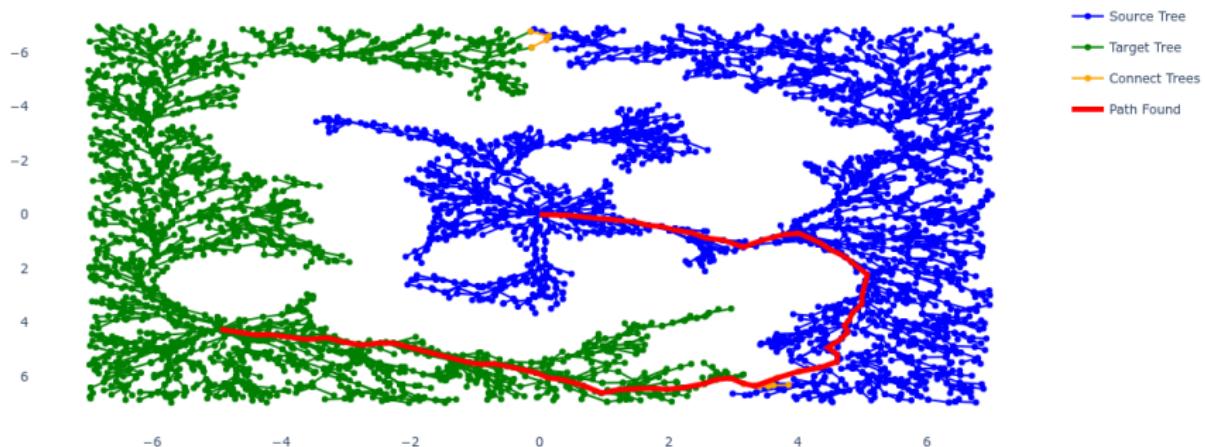
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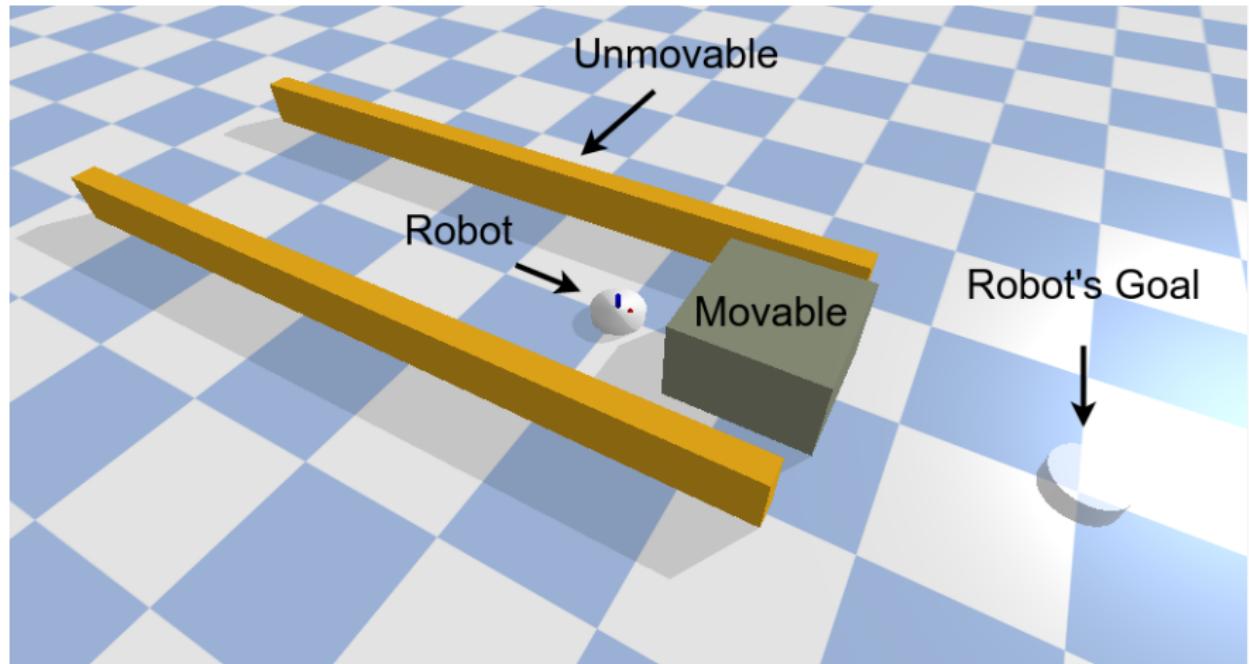
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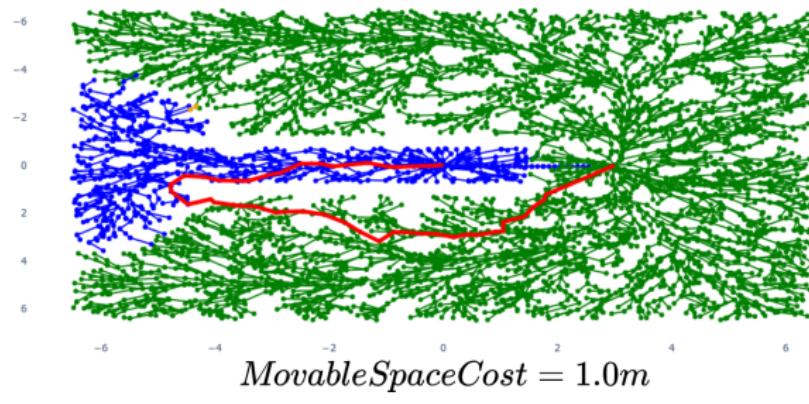
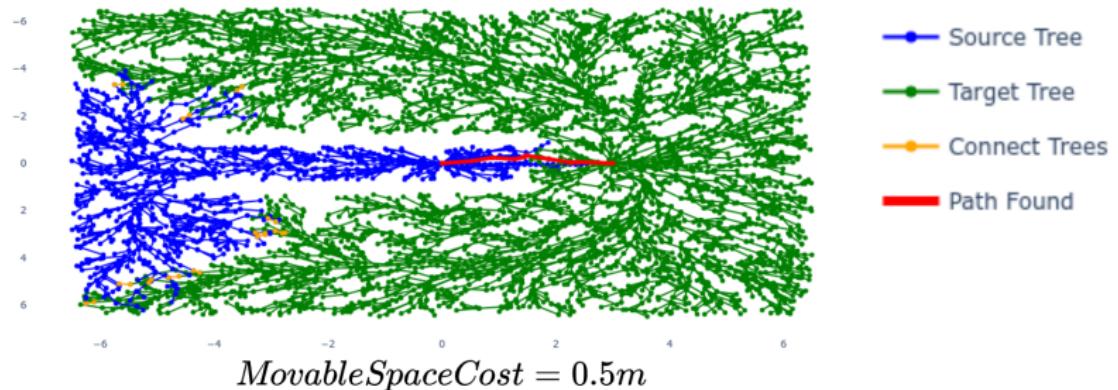
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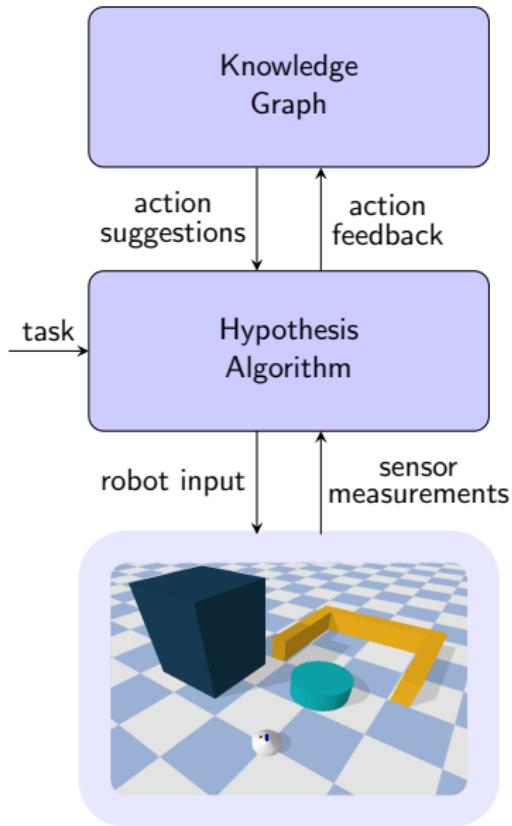
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A **identification edge**:

$$e_{id}^{iden} = \langle id_{from}, id_{to}, \text{Identification method, IO data set, controller, system model, status} \rangle$$

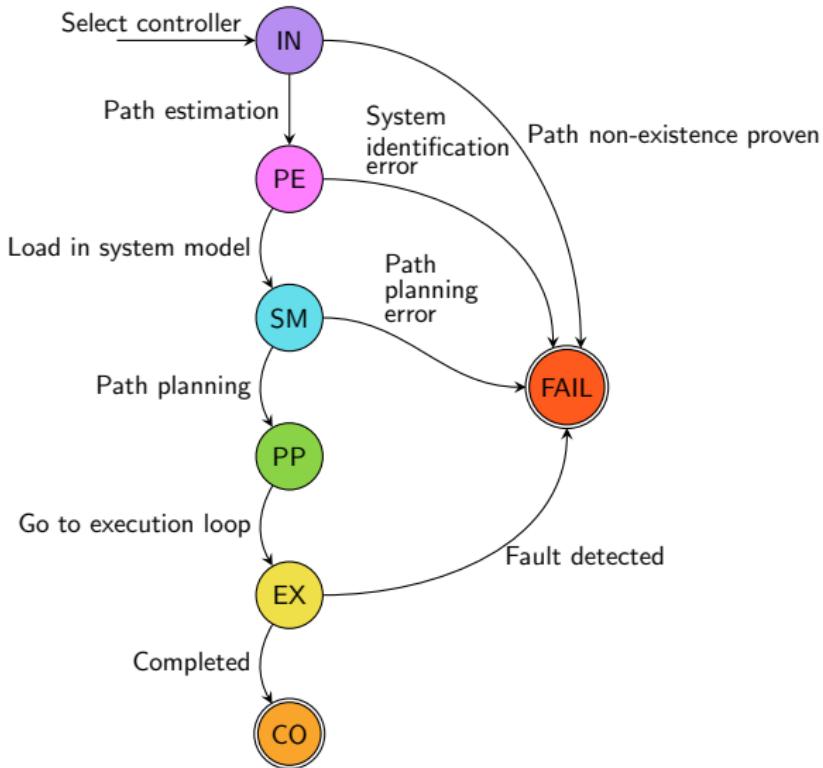
A **action edge**:

$$e_{id}^{action} = \langle id_{from}, id_{to}, \text{verb, controller, system model, path, status} \rangle$$

A **empty edge**:

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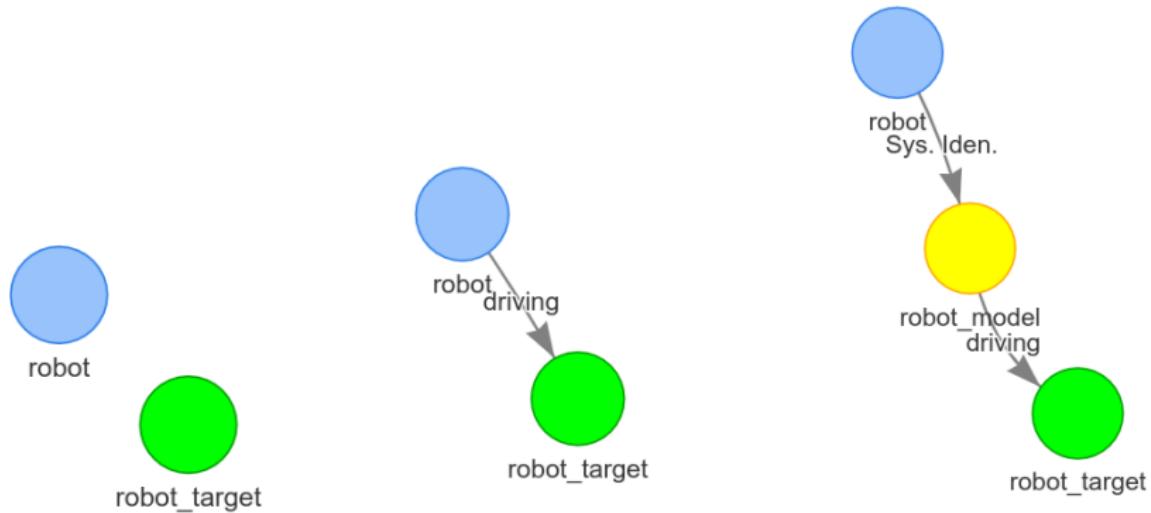
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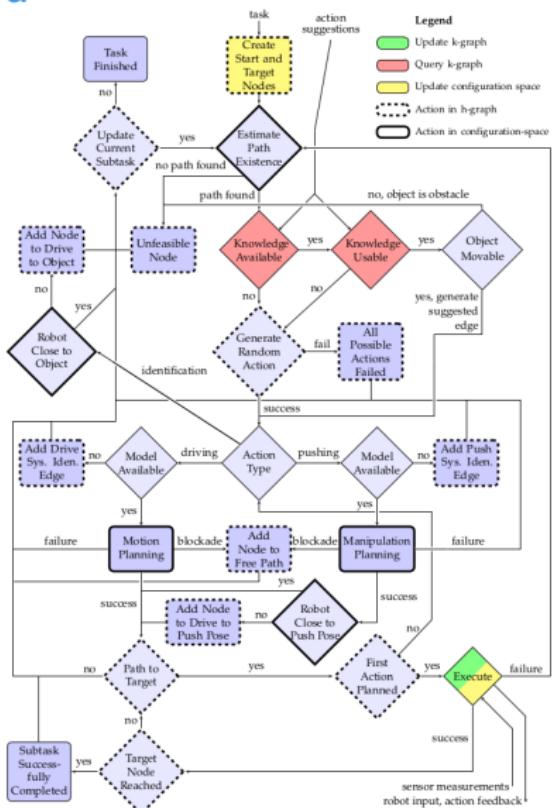
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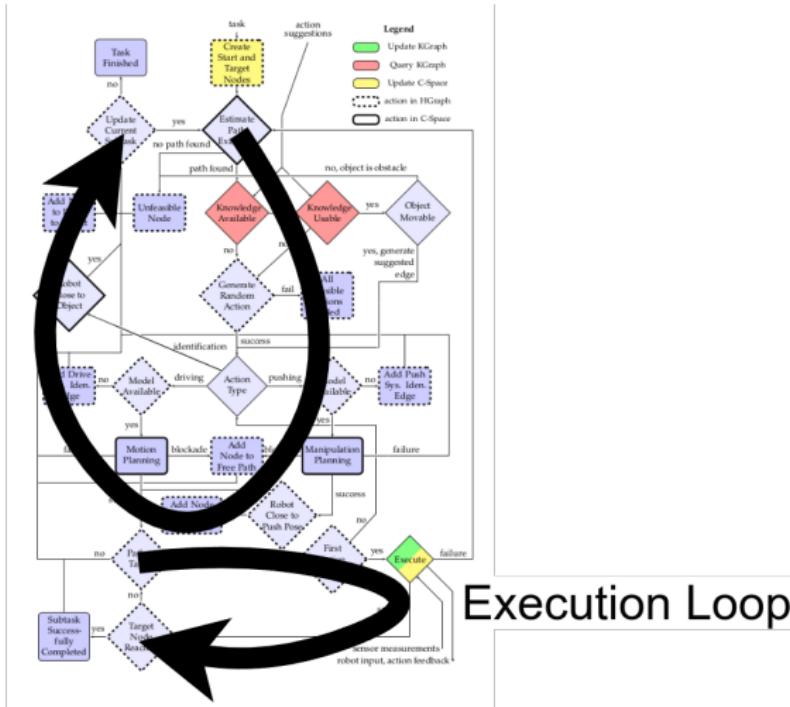


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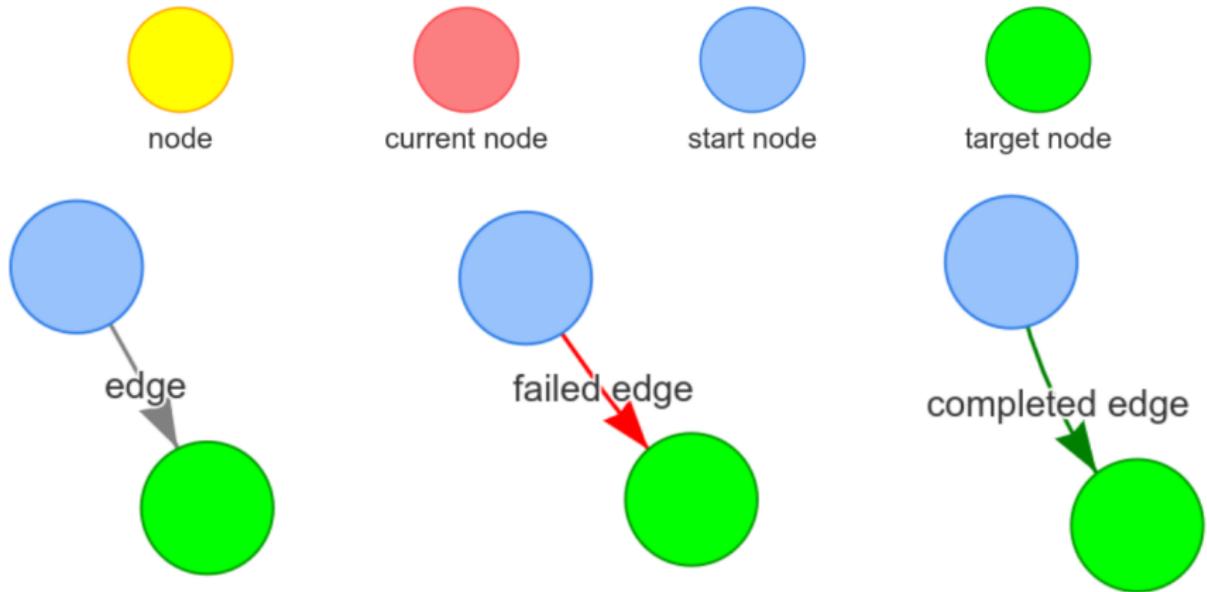
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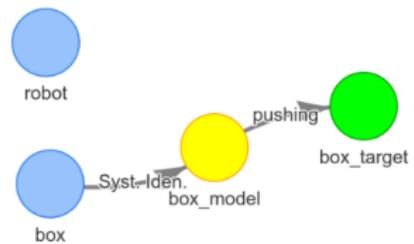
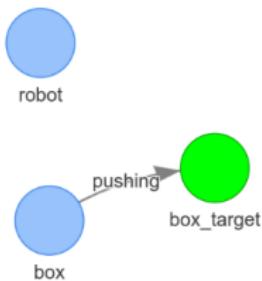
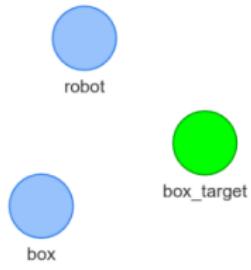


Execution Loop

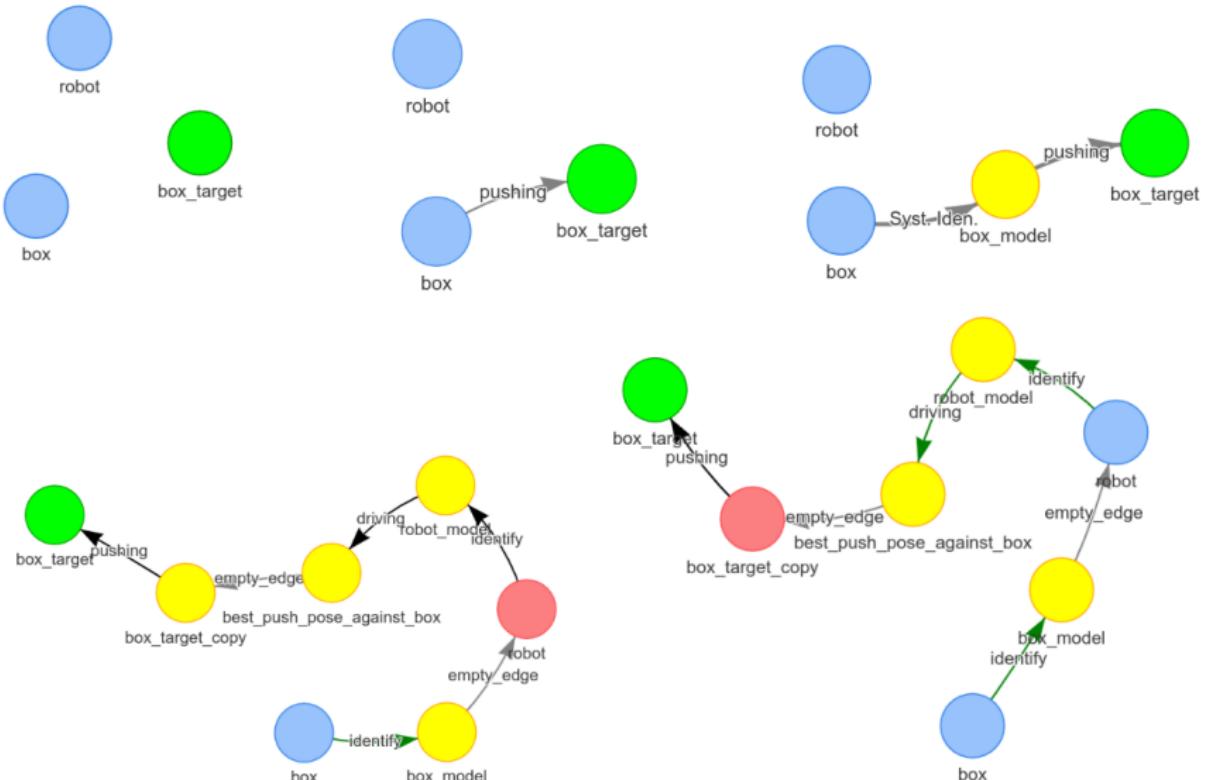
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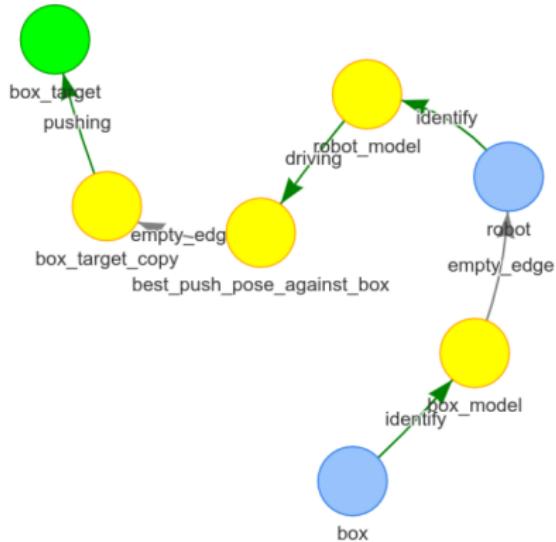
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## Halgorithm behaviour

- Fault detection → fail edge
- Blocking obstacle → free path
- Stop regeneration of failed edges → blocklist

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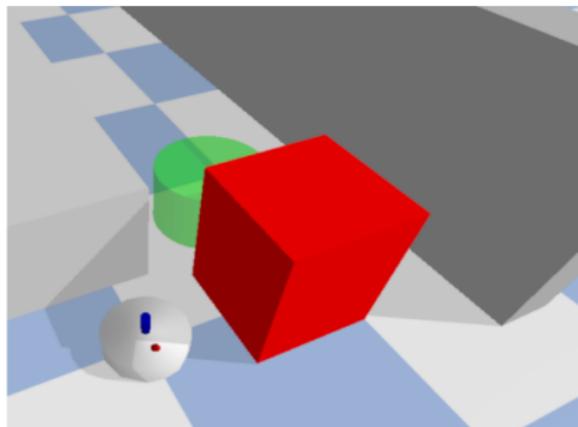
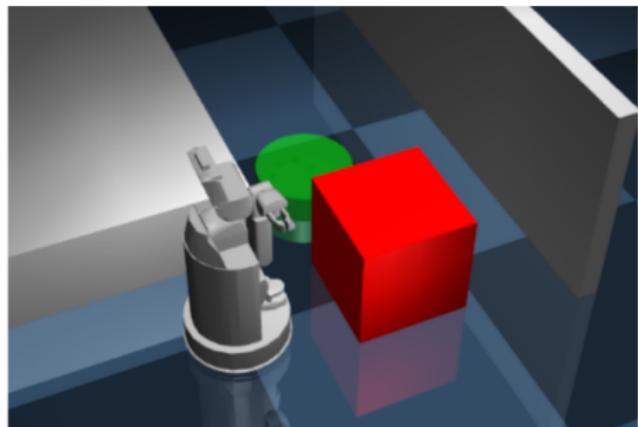
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Success Factor

$$\alpha(a+1) = \begin{cases} 0.1 \epsilon^{pred}_{avg} \\ 0.1 + 0.9\alpha(a) \\ 0.9\alpha(a) \end{cases}$$

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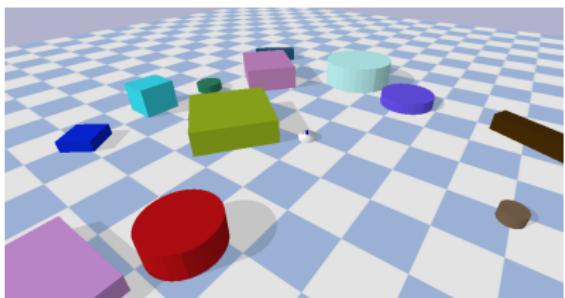
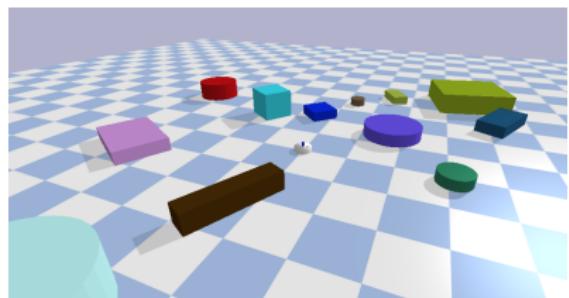
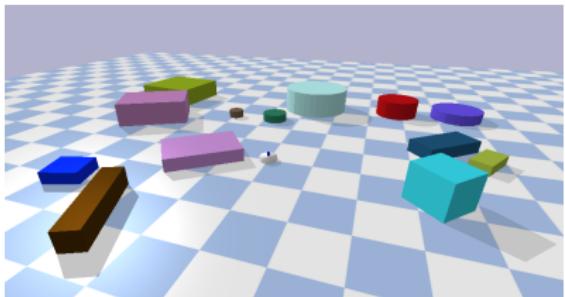
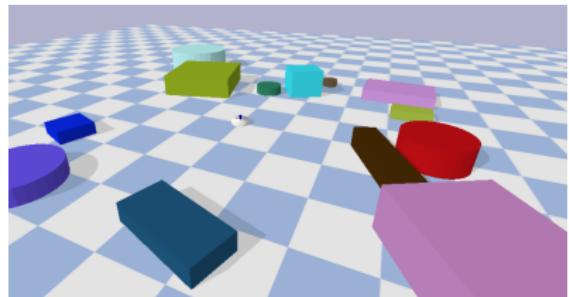


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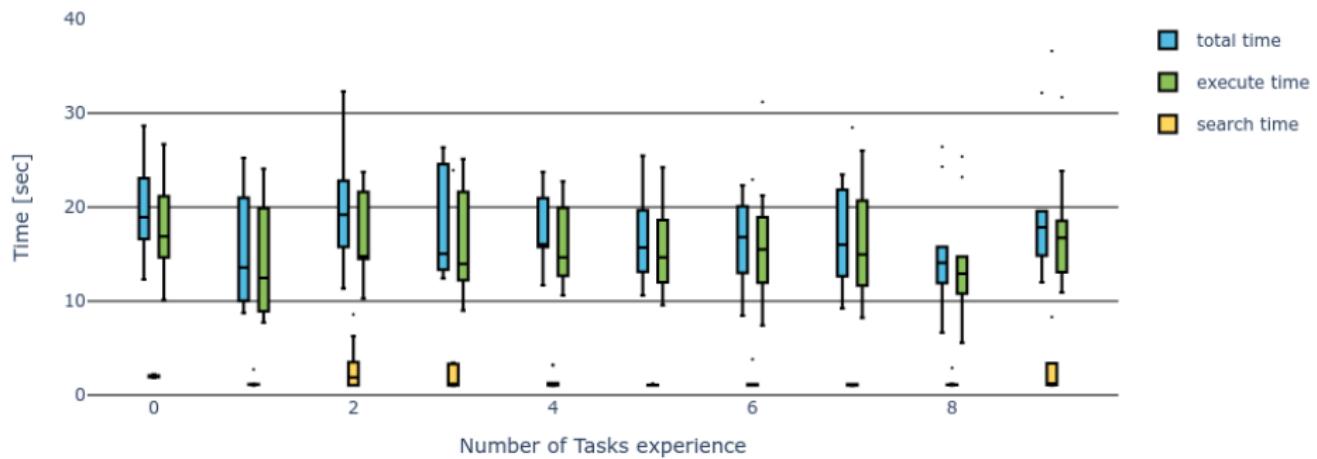
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$$\text{number of subtasks} = 10 * 10 * 3 = 300$$

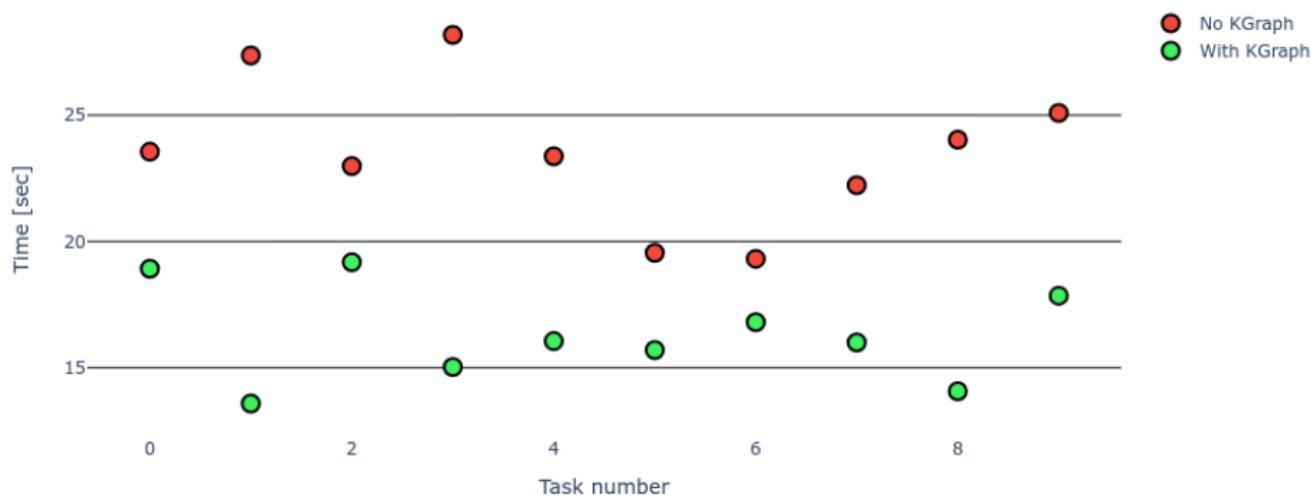
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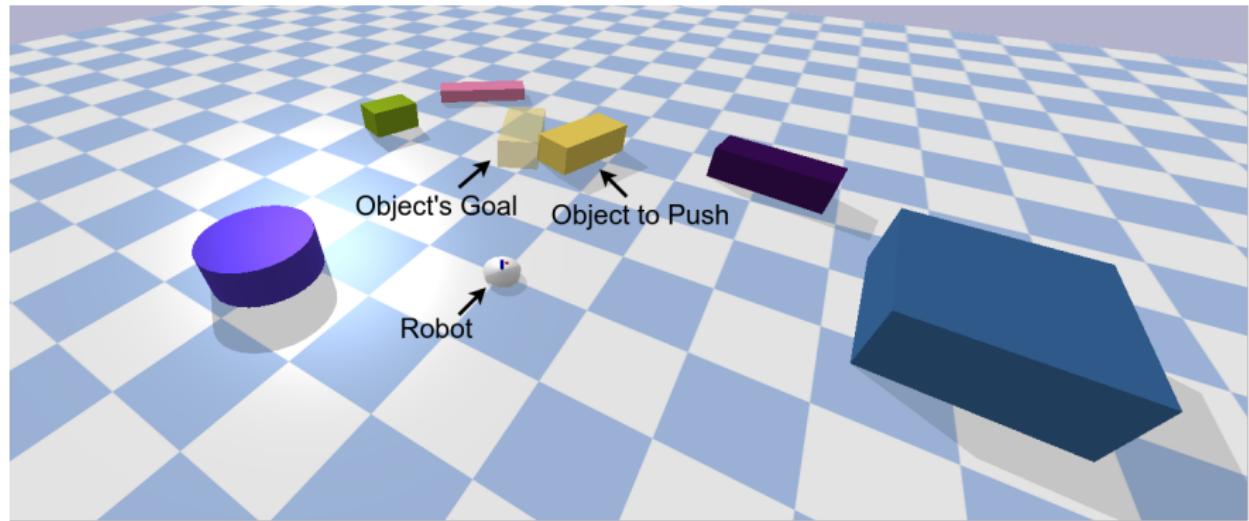
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Number of Tasks in experience		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
With k-graph suggestions	Number of MPC parameterizations	20	30	31	31	30	30	31	30	30	33
	Number of MPPI parameterizations	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Without k-graph suggestions	Number of MPC parameterizations	12	14	13	10	15	16	13	17	16	9
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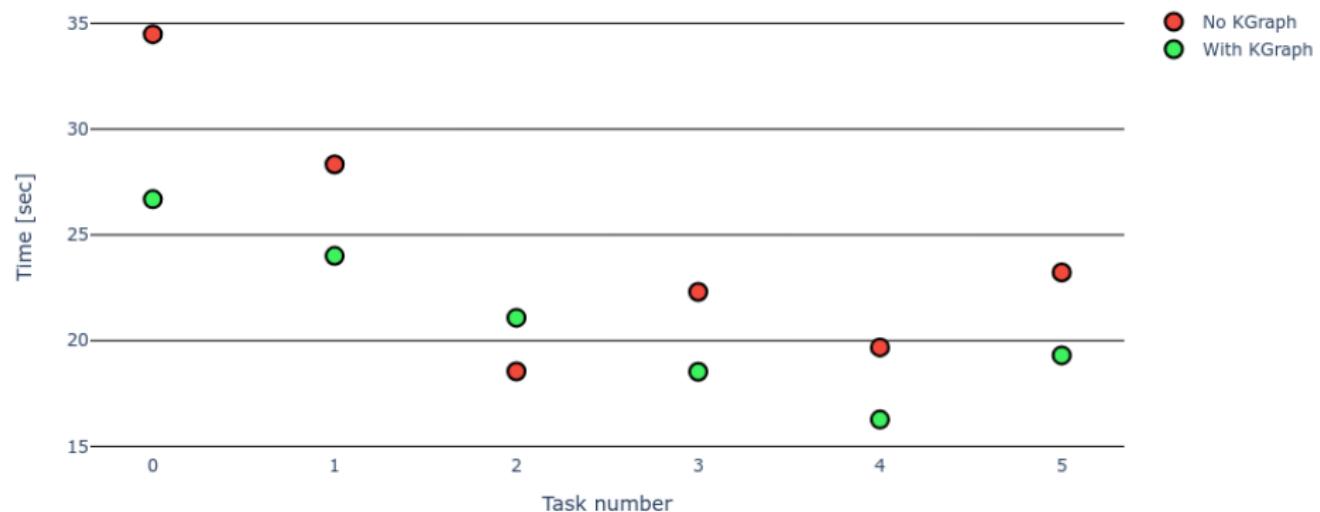
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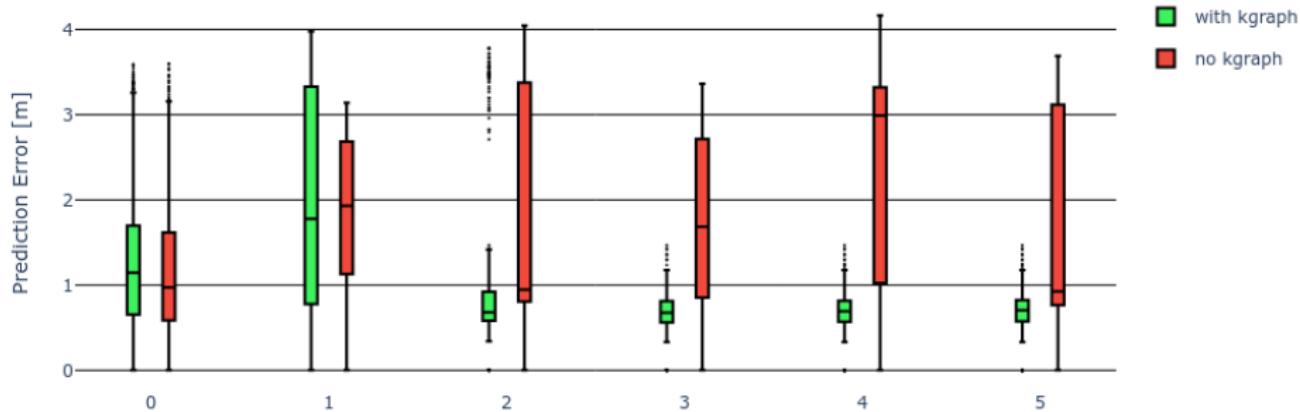
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