

main challenge: Space of all Robot controls (hence Trajectories)

are continuous, leading to a Complex Continuous-variable Optimization landscape.

↳ Also, Designing a cost function that simulates Driving Behavior.

↳ Challenge: Paths that are Optimal but smooth and Avoiding Obstacles.

Steps:

- 1) Heuristic search in continuous coordinates for kinematic feasibility of Comp. Traj.
- 2) Uses Conjugate Gradient (CG) descent to locally Improve The Quality.

\* We need to produce a Driving Behavior that keep a comfortable distance to obstacles.

↳ To penalize this ppl use potential field algorithm.

↳ Nonetheless, in narrow passages it makes them untraversable. Thus..

3) Potential based on geometry of workspaces. Allowing mov. in narrow Passages.

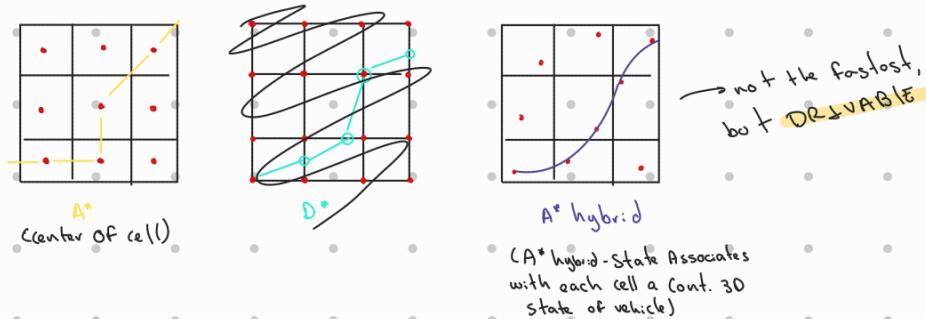
## Hybrid-State A\* Search

• Phase 3:

\* A\* algorithm applied to 3D kinematics State Space of vehicle

(But

A modified state-update rule that captures continuous State data in the discrete Search nodes of A\* (7)



\* The search Algorithm is based on two heuristics:

1) Ignores obstacles but take into Account the non-holonomic nature of car

↳ Assume a goal state  $(x_g, y_g, \theta_g) = (x, y)$  (freedom Angles).

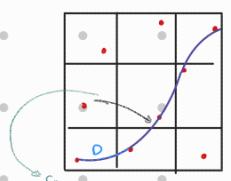
↳ Then we calculate the shortest path to the goal from every point  $(x, y, \theta)$  Assuming no Obstacles

↳ Se utiliza el max. del costo y la Distancia en 2D como heurística

↳ elimina Ramas que se Acercan Pero TRAEN ORIENT. INCORRECTAS

\* NO depende de los sensores, es precomputada desde el Principio.

→ \* No hay obstaculos: PERO no te puedes mover como sea.



2) Ignores non-holonomic car but uses obstacle map by performing dynamic 2D Prog.

→ \* Hay obstaculos Pero te puedes mover como sea.

How to calculate the cost? we use Voronoï Field Path-cost funct.

Let's to calc. the trade off btwn path length and prox. to obstacles.

$$p_V(x, y) = \left( \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + d_O(x, y)} \right) \left( \frac{d_V(x, y)}{d_O(x, y) + d_V(x, y)} \right) \left( \frac{(d_O - d_O^{\max})^2}{(d_O^{\max})^2} \right)$$

↗ constant  
 ↗ distance to edge of GND  
 ↗ distance to obstacle

\* Advantage =

field value is scale in proportion to the available paths for navigation.

↳ narrow spaces still drivable

\* This produces Drivable paths but not smooth paths.

For that

Voronoi-field term, we have when  $\alpha = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p_V}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\partial p_V}{\partial d_O} \frac{\partial d_O}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial p_V}{\partial d_V} \frac{\partial d_V}{\partial x_i}, \\ \frac{\partial d_O}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{o}_i}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{o}_i|}, \\ \frac{\partial d_V}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{v}_i}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{v}_i|}, \\ \frac{\partial p_V}{\partial d_V} &= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + d_O} \frac{(d_O - d_O^{\max})^2}{(d_O^{\max})^2} \frac{d_O}{(d_O + d_V)^2}, \\ \frac{\partial p_V}{\partial d_O} &= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + d_O} \frac{d_V}{d_O + d_V} \frac{(d_O - d_O^{\max})^2}{(d_O^{\max})^2} \\ &\quad \left[ \frac{-(d_O - d_O^{\max})}{\alpha + d_O} - \frac{d_O - d_O^{\max}}{d_O + d_V} + 2 \right], \end{aligned}$$



Figure 7: Hybrid-A\* and CG paths for a complicated environment.