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Abstract: The proposed work aims to provide a path planning solution that use data about sea and weather conditions to find the optimal path the links 2 positions.**Keywords:** path planning; sea-state

1. Introduction

In recent years, robotics has been optimizing the monitoring and exploration of maritime and coastal scenarios through the use of multiple and sophisticated autonomous systems. This category includes the Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUV), underwater robots capable of completing missions autonomously, and the Autonomous Surface Vehicles (ASV), vehicles that rotate on the surface of the water without a crew. The application fields are various: geological prospecting, oceanographic monitoring, military sector, etc. Maritime navigation is an essential aspect of the shipping industry. Path planning in a maritime scenario is the process of determining the optimal route a vessel can take from the point of departure to the destination.

The goal of this paper is to propose a new path planning method that uses a probability map to influence the final path according to the sea-weather conditions. The algorithm has been tested on a real scenario, where the path planning has been performed in a maritime environment in the "Gulf of Naples" (Italy) according to the "Progetto ARES. Our contribution to the project is the development part of a DSS (Decision Support System) that helps the operator during a mission by providing a path planning solution that takes into account the sea-weather conditions. The focus will be on discussing the various challenges that arise in this area and the proposed solutions to overcome them. The method will be compared to some state-of-the-art techniques too.

1.1. State-of-the-art

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1.2. Our contribution

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2. Method

The Sum Product Algorithm (SPA) is a well-known technique in the field of probabilistic graphical models, used to efficiently calculate the marginal probabilities of variables in a factor graph. In recent years, researchers have applied the SPA to the problem of path planning in robotics and autonomous vehicles. The SPA can be used to compute the probability of a robot successfully reaching a destination, given the current state of the environment, such as the presence of obstacles or the position of other objects. This approach allows for more efficient and accurate path planning, as it takes into account the

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uncertainty inherent in real-world environments. By leveraging the power of probabilistic inference techniques like the SPA, researchers are making significant strides towards creating more robust and effective path planning systems for a wide range of applications. The probabilistic frame espoused in this work is grounded on Factor Graphs(FG) that represent a unified way of rephrasing directed and undirected probabilistic graphical models in an easy- to- manipulate forward and backward communication propagation(signal inflow). Our work on FG in reduced normal form(FG_{rn}) has further simplified the FG frame reducing the network to interconnections of single-input single-output(SISO) blocks and diverters. Probabability consistence can be fluently propagated for conclusion and literacy. Seminal work on FG can be set up in and; some details on the optimized executions of FG_{rn} can be set up in.

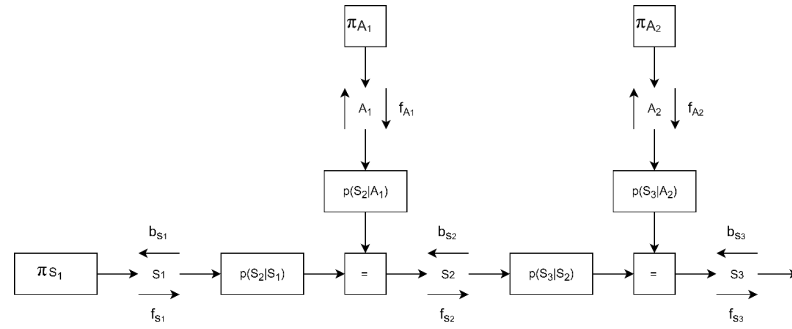


Figure 1. Factor graph in normal reduced form

$$f_{(S_t A_t)^1}(s_t a_t) = \sum_{s_{t-1} a_{t-1}} p(s_t a_t | s_{t-1} a_{t-1}) f_{(S_{t-1} A_{t-1})^3}(s_{t-1} a_{t-1}); b_{(S_{t-1} A_{t-1})^3}(s_{t-1} a_{t-1}) \propto \sum_{s_t a_t} p(s_t a_t | s_{t-1} a_{t-1}) \quad (1)$$

where the simbol \propto means “proportional to” because only some messages are normalized. The posterior distributions of all variables are obtained via the product rule between the forward and backward messages:

$$p_{(S_t A_t)^i}(s_t a_t) \propto b_{(S_t A_t)^i}(s_t a_t) f_{(S_t A_t)^i}(s_t a_t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T; \quad i = 1, 2, 3. \quad (2)$$

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2.1. Input data

The developed module takes as input several sets of data divided into:

- Data for the construction of the parameterized map: wave motion (significant height, direction, period, etc.), weather conditions (temperature, wind at 10 meters, marine pressure, rain, etc.);
- Mission data: mission objectives, **NG Worker** start and goal positions, drone release positions(Intermediate positions), mission duration, etc.;

All the weather data are provided by the **PARTHENOPE**. The data are provided in the form of a netCDF file, which is a self-describing file format that allows the storage of multidimensional arrays of scientific data.

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2.2. Algorithm

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2.3. Communication

The communication between all the components of the DSS can communicate through a MQTT broker. MQTT or Message Queue Telemetry Transport is a featherlight and effective message protocol developed for the Internet of effects(IoT). It allows bias to change data in a publish- subscribe model, where data is published by a sender and entered by one or further subscribers. The protocol is grounded on a customer- garçon armature where guests can publish or subscribe to motifs on a garçon(also known as a broker). MQTT is ideal for IoT bias because it consumes minimum bandwidth and has low above, making it able for low- authority and resource- constrained bias. Its simplicity, scalability, and trustability have made it popular with inventors and has come a standard-issue protocol in the IoT assiduity. An MQTT broker is a intermediary mecca that acts as a communication broker between MQTT guests. It's responsible for entering, storing, and ranking dispatches between guests. When an MQTT customer publishes a communication to a special content, the broker receives the communication and forwards it to all acceded guests that are interested in that content. also, when an MQTT customer subscribes to a content, the broker stores the subscription and forwards any dispatches published on that content to the acceded customer.

On the other phase, an MQTT customer is a device or operation that communicates with an MQTT broker. It can be either a publisher, subscriber, or both. When a customer publishes a communication to a special content, it sends the communication to the broker, which also on it to all acceded guests. When a customer subscribes to a content, it sends a subscription request to the broker, which stores the subscription and forwards any dispatches published on that content to the acceded customer.

In summary, the MQTT broker acts as an conciliator between MQTT guests, entering and ranking dispatches, while the MQTT guests are the bias or operations that give with the broker, publishing and assenting to dispatches. Together, the MQTT broker and guests form a publish- subscribe network, allowing effective and dependable message in IoT surroundings.

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3. Results

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4. Conclusions

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DOAJ Directory of open access journals
TLA Three letter acronym
LD Linear dichroism

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