



# Final Project

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02) Coordinate transformation

03) 2D Collision Detection

04) Sequencing Algorithm & Gripper orientation

05) Path Planning

06) Dynamic Block Preliminary Outline

Plan

Methodology

Results & Discussion



## ① Camera frame to End-effector frame transformation

$$P_e = T_c^e \cdot P_c \quad \text{get\_H\_ee\_camera(self)}$$

## ② End-effector frame to world frame transformation

$$P_w = T_e^w \cdot P_e$$

$$T_e^w = T_e^b \cdot T_b^w = T_1^b \cdot T_2^1 \cdot T_3^2 \dots T_6^5 \cdot T_b^w$$

Where a homogeneous transformation matrix from frame i to i-1 is:

$$T_i^{i-1} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_i} & -s_{\theta_i}c_{\alpha_i} & s_{\theta_i}s_{\alpha_i} & a_i c_{\theta_i} \\ s_{\theta_i} & c_{\theta_i}c_{\alpha_i} & -c_{\theta_i}s_{\alpha_i} & a_i s_{\theta_i} \\ 0 & s_{\alpha_i} & c_{\alpha_i} & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

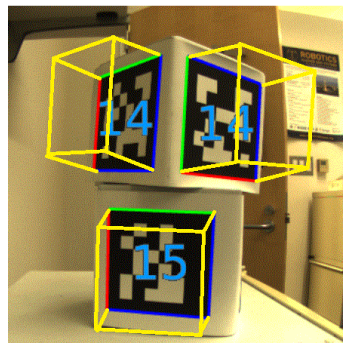
**D-H**



Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
0	0	0	0.141	0
1	0	$-\frac{\pi}{2}$	0.192	$q_0$
2	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0	$q_1$
3	0.0825	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0.316	$q_2$
4	0.0825	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0	$\frac{\pi}{2} + (q_3 + \frac{\pi}{2})$
5	0	$-\frac{\pi}{2}$	0.384	$q_4$
6	0.088	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0	$(q_5 - \frac{\pi}{2}) - \frac{\pi}{2}$
7	0	0	0.21	$q_6 - \frac{\pi}{4}$

## ③ AprilTag Detection

AprilTag is a type of fiducial marker system used in computer vision and robotics for pose estimation and object tracking.



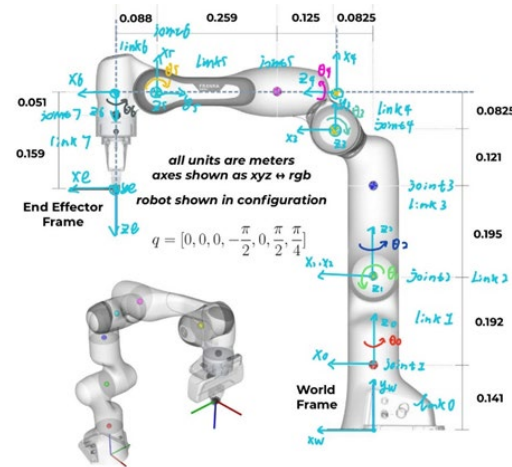
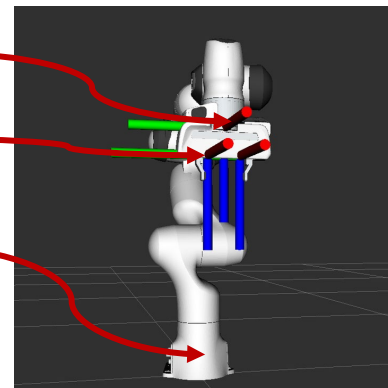
Camera Frame



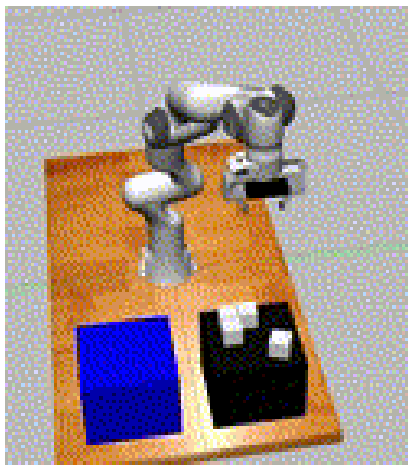
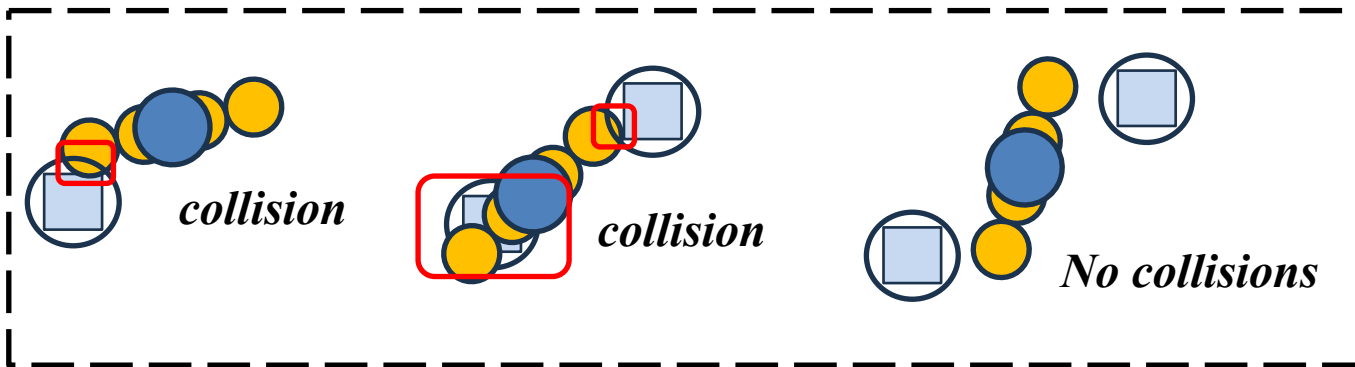
End effector Frame



World Frame



# 2D Collision Detection



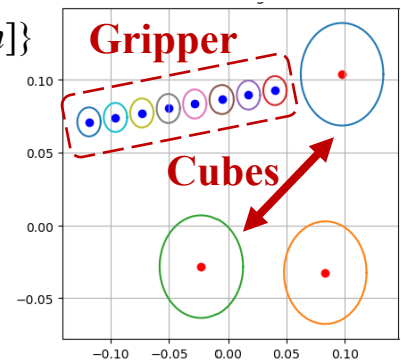
Real-time Navigation Map Structure:

{ **Cube 1~n**:  $[x,y,Radius, Orentation]$ , **Gripper**:  $[x,y, Orentation]$  }

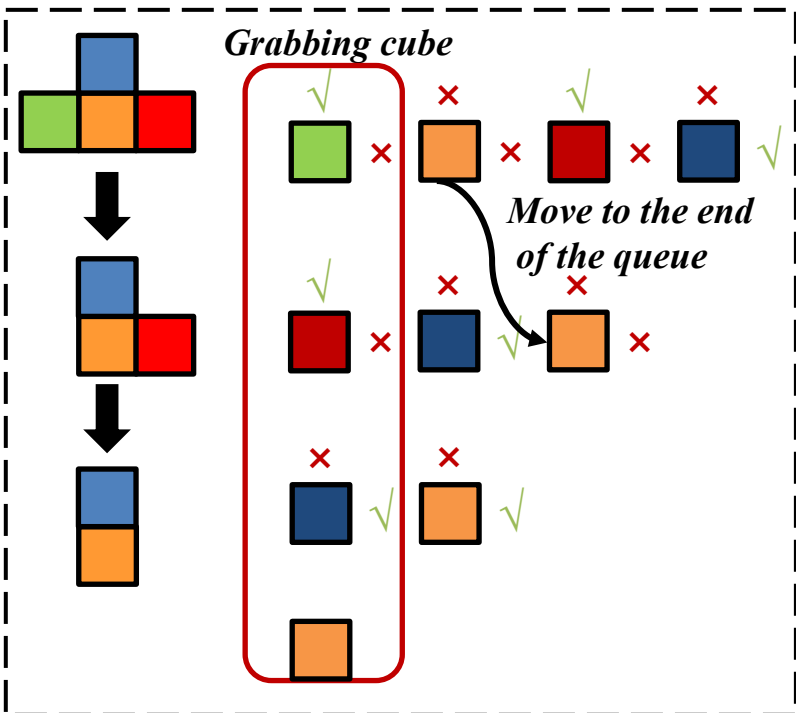
Collision Detection  $\rightarrow$  Intersecting circles Detection

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1. for center1 in obstacle_map:
2.   for center2 in gripper:
3.     distance = sqrt((center1[0] - center2[0]) ** 2 + (center1[1] -
       center2[1]) ** 2) radius_sum = radius1 + radius2
4.     if distance <= radius_sum:
5.       count +=1
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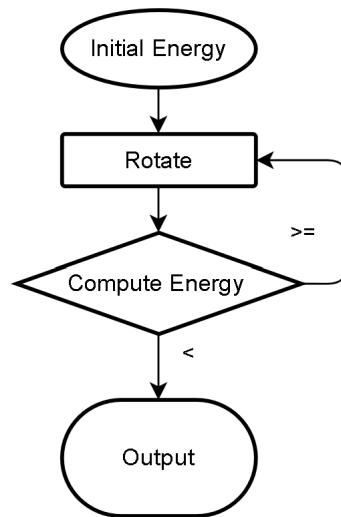
Real-time Navigation Map



# Sequencing Algorithm & Gripper orientation



**With the sorting algorithm, we were able to achieve a more efficient task.**



$$\text{Cost} = \mu \frac{1}{2} \|q_{\text{current}} - q_{\text{target}}\|$$

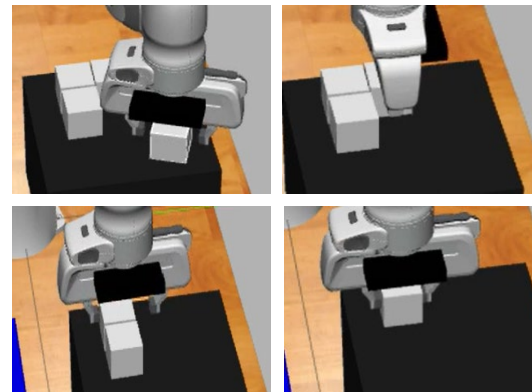
Where:

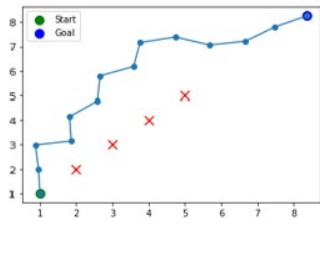
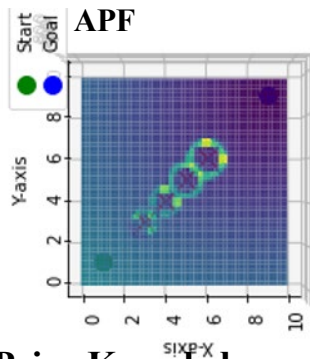
- $u=1$  if collision free
- $u=-1$  if collision



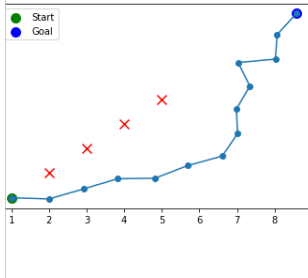
**Without sequencing:**  
 {1-2-3-4} → **Fail**

**With sequencing:**  
 {4-2-3-1} → **Success**

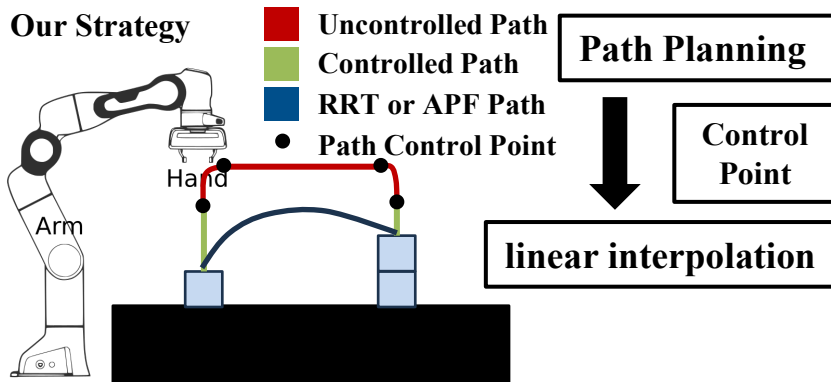




RRT



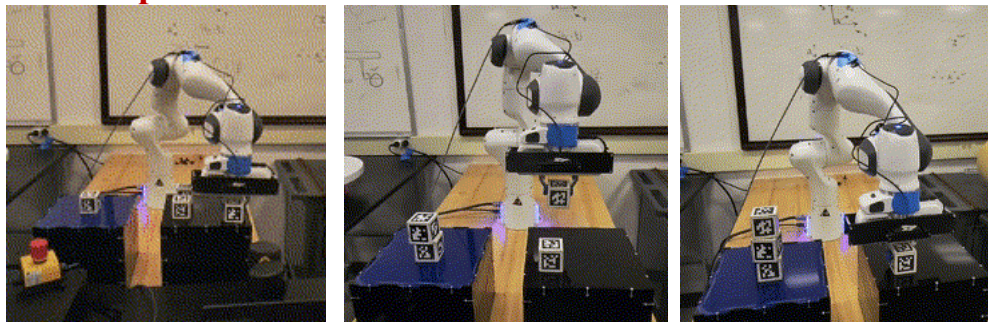
Our Strategy



## Prior Knowledge:

- ① The longer the path, the longer the planning time
- ② Most collisions occur during the grab and drop process

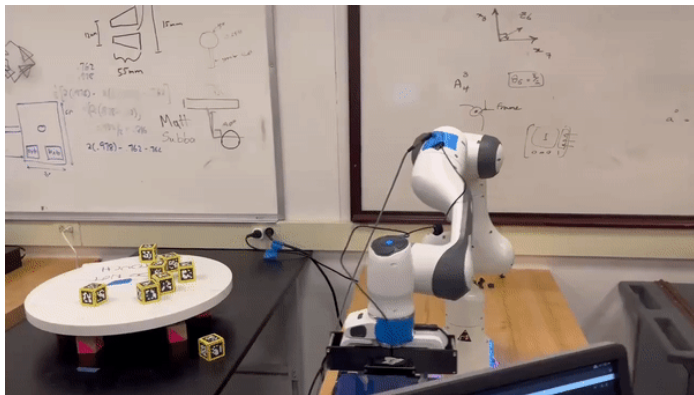
**We only need path planning for the initial and final stage to save computation time**



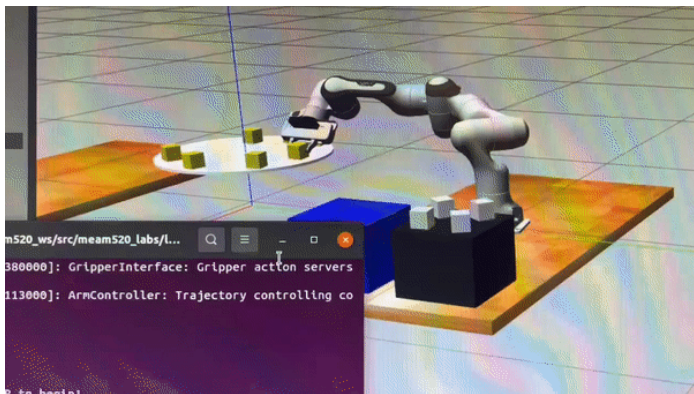
10 Random Tests:

	Average Planning Time	Average Execution Time	Total Time
APF	5.17↑	9.32↓	14.49
RRT	6.48↑	10.61	17.09↑
Our's	0.89↓	10.87↑	11.76↓

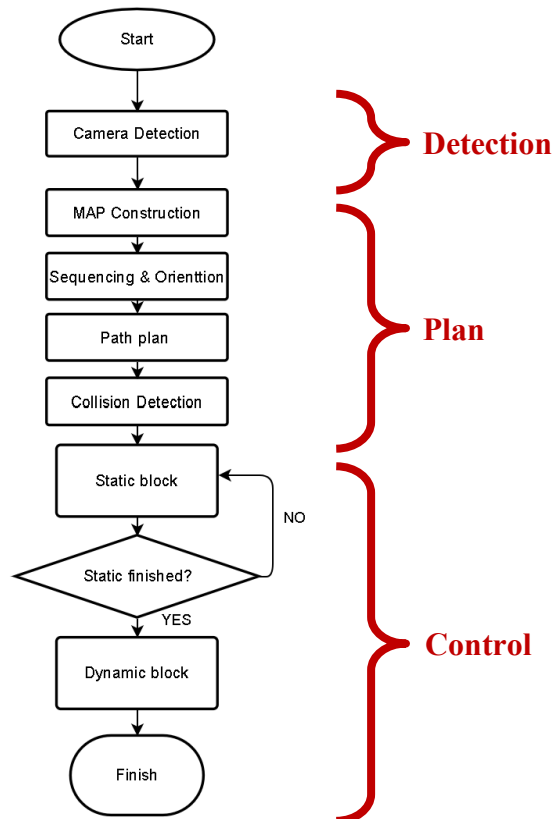
**With this path planning strategy, we were able to achieve a more efficient task.**



Initial Grabbing Pose



Reviewed Grabbing Pose

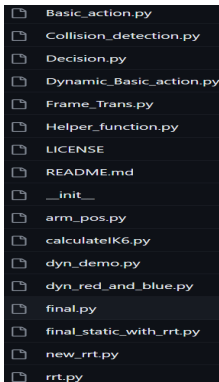


Overall Planning and Control Architecture



## Code

- Divide task into Red, Blue, Static and Dynamic block catching
- Write grab / place and other basic actions into functions
- Check each function separately



Code test

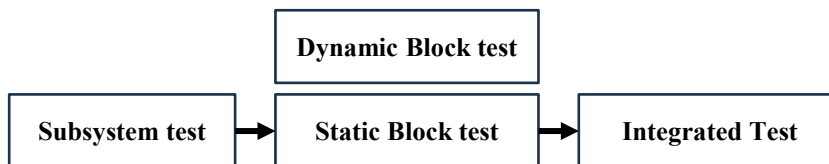
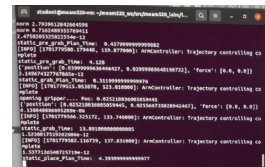
**Error & Warning?**

Function test

**Working properly?**

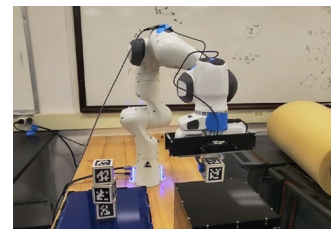
## Simulation Testing Plan

- Print how much time is used for each task
- Print matrix & joint angle to check state
- Report issues when occur



## Real Lab testing Plan

- Check if our points are correct & adjust
- Check if our code work for different block pose



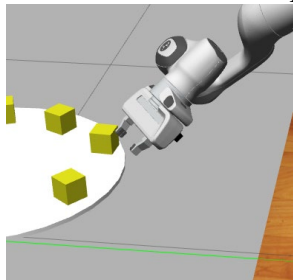
## Metrics:

- Average time (s), success rate (%)

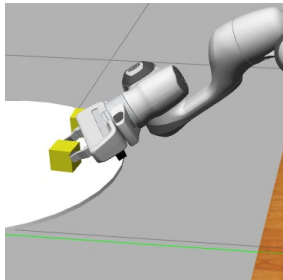


- Ideal Approach:
  - Detect the blocks.
  - Solve the blocks' poses in robot's world frame.
  - Make a prediction on the moving blocks placed on the turntable.
  - Move the arm to the predicted grabbing position.
  - Pick and place the blocks.
- Actual Implementation
  - Set up and calculate pre-grab and grab position.
  - Solve for the corresponding poses using IK.
  - Move to the pre-grab then to the grab position.
  - Once the grab position is reached, continuously open/close the grip until a block is grabbed successfully.
  - Move to a safe pre-place position that won't influence the stack with collision detection.

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while static task is done and ROS is active:  
    Close the gripper  
    if block is grabbed successfully:  
        Move arm to pre-place position  
        Perform dynamic placing of the block  
        Exit the inner loop  
    else:  
        retry  
    Open the gripper  
    Print "loop_grip_opened"  
    Move to pre-grab position  
    Increment the stack layers before the next pick
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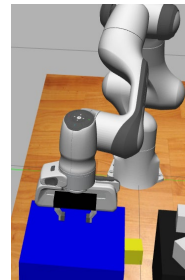
Pre-grab pose



Grab pose



Pre-place pose



Place pose

- Performance Metrics:
  - Position of the four pre-define grab and place positions. Mismatches needs to be considered in the physical testing.
  - Time Needed to complete each cycle of picking and placing the dynamic block.
  - Rate of success in grabbing the real setting (limited environment in the simulator).
  - Red VS Blue discrepancy.
- Next Steps:
  - Find efficient seeds for solving IK.
  - Maximize the successful rate by choosing and testing different positions.
  - Integrate with the static tasks.
  - ...

	Poses Mismatch (m)	Time before grab (s)	Grabbing Time (s)	Placing Time (s)	Success Rate
Avg.	+ - 0.18	4.82	TBD	9.14	TBD



Thank you for your time!

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