MT-RRT, the general purpose multi threading library for RRT. 1.0

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Foundamental concepts

1.1 What is an RRT algorithm?

Rapidly Random exploring Tree(s), aka RRT(s), is one of the most popular technique adopted for solving planning path problems in robotics. In essence, a planning problem consists of finding a feasible trajectory or path that leads a manipulator, or more in general a dynamical system, from a starting configuration/state to an ending desired one, consistently with a series of constraints. RRTs were firstly proposed in [5]. They are able to explore a state space in an incremental way, building a search tree, even if they may require lots of iterations before terminating. They were proved be capable of always finding at least one solution to a planning problem, if a solution exists, i.e. they are probabilistic complete. RRT were also proved to perform well as kinodynamic planners, designing optimal LQR controllers driving a generic dynamical system to a desired final state, see [9] and [8].

The typical disadvantage of RRTs is that for medium-complex problems, they require thousands of iterations to get the solution. For this reason, the aim of this library is to provide multi-threaded planners implementing parallel version of RRTs, in order to speed up the planning process.

It is possible to use this library for solving any problem handled by an RRT algorithm. The only necessary thing to do when facing a new class of problem is to derive some specific objects describing the problem itself as detailed in Section 2.

At the same time, one of the most common problem to solve with RRT is a standard path planning for an articulated arm. What matters in such cases is to have a collision checker, which is not provided by this library. Anyway, the interfaces Tunneled_check_collision and Bubbles_free_ configuration allows you to integrate the collision checker you prefer for solving standard path planning problems (see also Section 2.2.3).

The next Section briefly reviews the basic mechanism of the RRT. The notations and formalisms introduced in the next Section will be also adopted by the other Sections. Therefore, the reader is strongly encouraged to read before the next Section.

Section 1.3 will describe the typical pipeline to consider when using MT-RRT, while some examples of planning problems are reported in Chapter 2. Chapter 3 will describe the possible parallelization strategy that MT-RRT offers you. ¹.

1.2 Background on RRT

¹A similar guide, but in a html format, is also available at http://www.andreacasalino.altervista.org/__MT_RRT_doxy_guide/index.html.

1.2.1 Standard RRT

RRTs explore the state space of a particular problem, in order to find a series of states connecting a starting x_o and an ending one x_f , at the same time accounting for the presence of constraints. More precisely, this is done by building at least a search tree $T(x_o)$ having x_o as root. Each node $x_i \in T$ is connected to its unique father $x_{fi} = Fath(x_f)$ by a trajectory $\tau_{fi \to i}$. The root x_o is the only node not having a father $(Fath(x_o) = \emptyset)$. The set $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ will contain all the possible states x of the system whose motion must be controlled, while $\underline{\mathcal{X}} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ is a subset describing the admissible region induced by a series of constraints. The solution we are interested in, consists clearly of a sequence of trajectories τ entirely contained in $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$. If we consider classical path planning problems, the constraints are represented by the obstacles populating the scene, which must be avoided. However, according to the nature of the problem to solve, different kind of constraints might need to be accounted. The basic version of an RRT algorithm is described by Algorithm 1, whose steps are visually represented by Figure 1.2. Essentially, the tree is randomly grown by performing several steering operations. Sometimes, the extension of the tree toward the target state x_f is tried in order to find an edge leading to that state.

```
Data: x_o, x_f
T = \{x_o\};
for k = 1: MAX\_ITERATIONS do
    sample r \sim U(0,1);
    if r < \sigma then
        x_{steered} = \mathsf{Extend}(T, x_f);
        if x_{steered} is VALID then
            if ||x_{steered} - x_f|| \le \epsilon then
                Return Path_to_root(x_{steered})\cup x_f;
            end
        end
    end
    else
        sample a x_R \in \mathcal{X};
        Extend(T, x_R);
    end
end
```

Algorithm 1: Standard RRT. A deterministic bias is introduced for connecting the tree toward the specific target state x_f . The probability σ regulates the frequency adopted for trying the deterministic extension. The Extension procedure is described in algorithm 2.

Algorithm 2: The Extend procedure.

```
Data: T, x_R
Return \underset{\tau_i \in T}{\operatorname{argmin}}(C(\tau_{i \to R}));
```

Algorithm 3: The Nearest_Neighbour procedure: the node in T closest to the given state x_R is searched.

The Steer function in algorithm 2 must be problem dependent. Basically, It has the aim to extend a certain state x_i already inserted in the tree, toward another one x_R . To this purpose, an optimal trajectory $\tau_{i\to R}$,

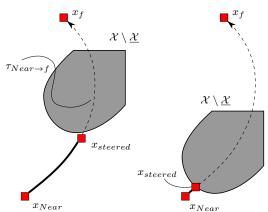


Figure 1.1 The dashed curves in both pictures are the optimal trajectories, agnostic of the constraints, connecting the pair of states x_{Near} and x_f , while the filled areas are regions of X not allowed by constraints. The steering procedure is ideally in charge of searching the furthest state to x_{Near} along $\tau_{Near \to f}$. For the example on the right, the steering is not possible: the furthest state along $\tau_{Near \to f}$ is too much closer to x_{Near} .

agnostic of the constraints, going from x_i to x_R , must be taken into account. Ideally, the steering procedure should find the furthest state from x_i that lies on $\tau_{i\to R}$ and for which the portion of $\tau_{i\to R}$ leading to that state is entirely contained in $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$. However, in real implementations the steered state returned might be not the possible farthest from x_i . Indeed, the aim is just to extend the tree toward x_R . At the same time, in case such the steered state results too closer to x_i , the steering should fails $\frac{1}{2}$.

The Nearest_Neighbour procedure relies on the definition of a cost function $C(\tau)$. Therefore, the closeness of states does not take into account the shape of $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$. Indeed $C(\tau)$ it's just an estimate agnostic of the constraints. Then, the constraints are taken into account when steering the tree. The algorithm terminates when a steered configuration x_s sufficiently close to x_f is found.

The steps involved in the standard RRT are summarized by Figure 1.2.

1.2.2 Bidirectional version of the RRT

The behaviour of the RRT can be modified leading to a bidirectional strategy [6], which expands simultaneously two different trees. Indeed, at every iteration one of the two trees is extended toward a random state. Then, the other tree is extended toward the steered state previously obtained. At the next iteration, the roles of the trees are inverted. The algorithm stops, when the two trees meet each other. The detailed pseudocode is reported in Algorithm 4.

This solution offers several advantages. For instance, the computational times absorbed by the Nearest Neighbour search is reduced since this operation is done separately for the two trees and each tree contains at an average half of the states computed. The steps involved in the bidirectional strategy are depicted in Figure 1.3.

1.2.3 Compute the optimal solution: the RRT*

For any planning problem there are infinite $\tau_{o\to f}\subset \underline{\mathcal{X}}$, i.e. infinite trajectories starting from x_o and terminating in x_f which are entirely contained in the admissible region $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$. Among the aforementioned set, we might be interested in finding the trajectory minimizing the cost $C(\tau_{o\to f})$, refer to Figure 1.4. The basic version of the RRT algorithm is proved to find with a probability equal to 1, a suboptimal solution [4]. The optimality is addressed by a variant of the RRT, called RRT* [4], whose pseudocode is contained

²This is done to avoid inserting less informative nodes in the tree, reducing the tree size.

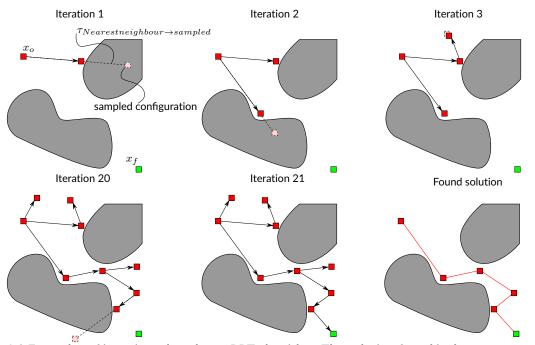


Figure 1.2 Examples of iterations done by an RRT algorithm. The solution found is the one connecting the state in the tree that reached x_f , with the root x_o .

```
Data: x_o, x_f
T_A = \{x_o\};
T_B = \{x_f\};
x_{target} = \text{root of } T_A;
x_2 = \text{root of } T_B;
T_{master} = T_A;
T_{slave} = T_B;
for k = 1: MAX\_ITERATIONS do
    sample r \sim U(0,1);
    if r < \sigma then
       x_{steered} = \mathsf{Extend}(T_{master}, x_{target});
    end
    else
         sample a x_R \in \mathcal{X};
         x_{steered} = \mathsf{Extend}(T_{master}, x_R);
    end
    if x_{steered} is VALID then
         x_{steered2} = \mathsf{Extend}(T_{slave}, x_{steered});
         if x_{steered2} is VALID then
             if ||x_{steered} - x_{steered2}|| \le \epsilon then
                  Return Path_to_root(x_{steered}) \cup Revert ( Path_to_root(x_{steered2}) );
             end
         end
    end
    Swap T_{target} and T_2;
    Swap T_{master} and T_{slave};
end
```

Algorithm 4: Bidirectional RRT. A deterministic bias is introduced for accelerating the steps. The probability σ regulates the frequency adopted for trying the deterministic extension. The Revert procedure behaves as exposed in Figure 1.3.

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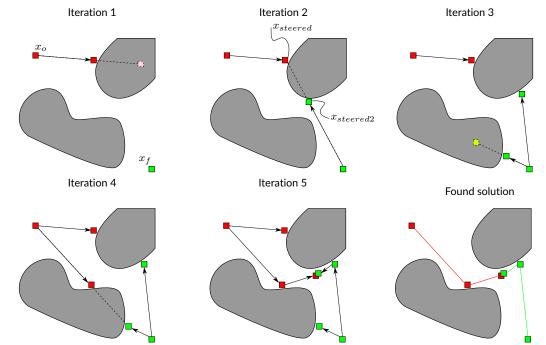


Figure 1.3 Examples of iterations done by the bidirectional version of the RRT. The path in the tree rooted at x_f is reverted to get the second part of the solution.

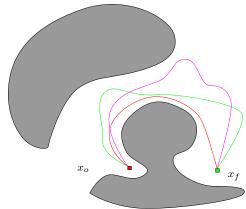


Figure 1.4 Different trajectories connecting x_o with $\overline{x_f}$, entirely contained in $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$. If we assume as cost the length of a path, the red solution is the optimal one.

in Algorithm 5. Essentially, the RRT* after inserting in a tree a steered state, tries to undertake local improvements to the connectivity of the tree, in order to minimize the cost-to-go of the states in the Near set. This approach is proved to converge to the optimal solution after performing an infinite number of iterations 3 . There are no precise stopping criteria for the RRT*: the more iterations are performed, the more the solution found get closer to the optimal one.

1.3 MT-RRT pipeline

When solving a planning problem with MT-RRT, the pipeline of Figure 1.5 should be followed.

³In real cases, after a sufficient big number of iterations an optimizing effect can be yet appreciated.

```
Data: x_o, x_f
T = \{x_o\};
Solutions = \emptyset;
for k = 1: MAX\_ITERATIONS do
    sample r \sim U(0,1);
    if r < \sigma then
         x_{steered} = \text{Extend\_Star}(T, x_f);
         if x_{steered} is VALID then
             if ||x_{steered} - x_f|| \le \epsilon then
              Solutions = Solutions \cup x_{steered};
             end
        end
    end
    else
         sample a x_R \in \mathcal{X};
         Extend_Star(T, x_R);
    end
end
            \operatorname{argmin} (Cost_to_root(x_S));
x_{best} =
          x_S \in \widetilde{Solutions}
Return Path_to_root(x_{best}) \cup x_f;
Algorithm 5: RRT*. The Extend_Star, Rewird and Cost_to_root procedures are explained in, respec-
tively, algorithm 6, 7 and 8.
Data: T, x_R
x_{steered} = Extend(T, x_R);
if x_{steered} is VALID then
    Near = \left\{ x_i \in T \middle| C(\tau_{i \to steered}) \le \gamma \left(\frac{log(|T|)}{|T|}\right)^{\frac{1}{d}} \right\};
    Rewird(Near, x_{steered});
end
Return x_{steered};
                      Algorithm 6: The Extend_Star procedure. d is the cardinality of \mathcal{X}.
Data: Near, x_s
```

```
x_{bestfather} = Fath(x_s);
C_{min} = C(\tau_{bestfather \to s});
for x_n \in Near do
     if \tau_{n \to s} \subset \underline{\mathcal{X}} AND C(\tau_{n \to s}) < C_{min} then
         C_{min} = C(\tau_{n \to s});
          x_{best fath} = x_n;
     end
end
Fath(x_s) = x_{bestfath};
C_s = \mathsf{Cost\_to\_root}(x_s);
Near = Near \setminus x_{bestfath};
for x_n \in Near do
     if \tau_{s \to n} \subset \underline{\mathcal{X}} then
         C_n = C(\tau_{s \to n}) + C_s;
         if C_n < \mathsf{Cost\_to\_root}(x_n) then
           Fath(x_n) = x_s;
          end
     end
end
```

Algorithm 7: The Rewird procedure.

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```
\begin{array}{l} \text{Data: } x_n \\ \text{if } Fath(x_n) = \emptyset \text{ then} \\ \mid \text{ Return 0;} \\ \text{end} \\ \text{else} \\ \mid \text{ Return } C(\tau_{Fath(n) \rightarrow n}) + \text{Cost\_to\_root}(Fath(x_n)) \text{ ;} \\ \text{end} \end{array}
```

Algorithm 8: The Cost_to_root procedure computing the cost spent to go from the root of the tree to the passed node.

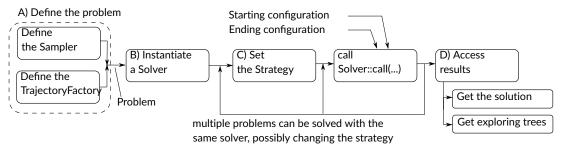


Figure 1.5 Pipeline to follow for using MT-RRT.

1.3.0.1 A) Define the problem

Whenever you need to solve a new class of planning problem, you should instantiate a Problem object. This class should contains all the information describing the particular problem to solve (how to compute the optimal trajectories τ , the shape of the constraints admitted region χ , etc..) and its made of 2 main components:

- sampler, i.e. a Sampler object drawing random states to allow the tree(s) growth.
- trajManager, i.e. the TrajectoryFactory able to evaluate optimal trajectories τ connecting pairs of states.

The 2 above objects should be built and passed to Problem constructor. Chapter 2 reports some examples of planning problems, describing how to derive the corresponding Sampler and TrajectoryFactory.

1.3.0.2 B) Instantiate a Solver

After having defined the problem, you need to build a Solver object, to be used to solve one or more problems of a certain kind. Every time a new problem is solved calling Solver::solve(...), the relevant information are stored inside this object and can be accessed before solving a new one. Clearly, only the results concerning the last found solution are saved, i.e. data are overwritten when calling multiple times Solver::call(...), but with different starting and ending configurations and possibly different trees obtained.

1.3.0.3 C) Set the strategy

Before solving any problem you should also specify to the Solver the strategy that you would like to use. In this case, the strategy pattern is adopted and a Strategy needs to be built. In this case you don't have to derive your own strategy, but you can use one of the objects already defined in the core package, namely:

SerialStrategy

- QueryParallStrategy
- SharedTreeStrategy
- LinkedTreesStrategy
- MultiAgentStrategy

Each Strategy support all the rrt algorithms described in Sections 1, 1.2.2 and 5, with the only exception that MultiAgentStrategy does not support the bidirectional algorithm. It is always possible to extract the strategy from a Solver, set up the parameters in a different way and then re-assign the strategy to the Solver.

QueryParallStrategy, SharedTreeStrategy, LinkedTreesStrategy and MultiAgentStrategy are multi-threaded strategies and more details are provided Sections 3.0.1, 3.0.2, 3.0.3 and 3.0.4. On the opposite SerialStrategy implements the standard mono-thread versions of rrt, i.e. the ones detailed in the previous Sections.

1.3.0.4 D) Access the results after solving the problem

There two main ways to access the results stored inside Solver:

- get the found solution, i.e. a series of states $x_{1,2,3,\dots,M}$ that must be visited to get from the starting configuration to the ending one, by traversing the trajectories $\tau_{1\to 2}, \tau_{2\to 3}, \dots, \tau_{M-1\to M} \subset \underline{\mathcal{X}}$. Such series of waypoints can be obtained by calling Solver::copyLastSolution. In case a solution was not found, an empty collection is returned.
- get the tree(s) computed for finding the solution. This is done using Solver::extractLastTrees. Beware that by default the trees are not saved and stored after solving a new problem, bit this behaviour can be enabled calling Strategy::saveTreesAfterSolve. Moreover, calling this Solver::extractLastTrees, remove the trees from Solver, moving them to the outside.

Additional information (the iterations spent, the computation time) regarding the solution can be accessed using the others getters of Solver.

Customize your own planning problem

MT-RRT can be deployed to solve each possible problems for which RRT can be used. The only thing to do is to derive specific concretions of Sampler and TrajectoryFactory containing all the problem-specific information, Section 1.3.0.1.

In order to help the user in understanding how to implement such derivations, three main kind of examples are part of the library. In the following Sections, they will be briefly reviewed.

2.1 Planar maze problem

The state space characterizing this problem is two dimensional, having $x_{1,2}$ as coordinates. The aim is to connect two 2D coordinates while avoiding the rectangular obstacles depicted in Figure 2.1. The state space is bounded by two corners describing the maximum and minimum possible x_1 and x_2 , see Figure 2.1.

2.1.1 Sampling

A sampled state x_R lies in the square delimited by the spatial bounds, i.e.:

$$x_{R} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{R1} \sim U(x_{1min}, x_{1max}) \\ x_{R2} \sim U(x_{2min}, x_{2max}) \end{bmatrix}$$
 (2.1)

2.1.2 Optimal trajectory and constraints

The optimal trajectory $\tau_{i\to k}$ between two states in \mathcal{X} is simply the segment connecting that states. The cost $C(\tau_{i\to k})$ is assumed to be the length of such segment:

$$C(\tau_{i \to k}) = ||x_i - x_k|| \tag{2.2}$$

The admissible region $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$ is obtained subtracting the points pertaining to the obstacles. In other words, the segment connecting the states in the tree should not traverse any rectangular obstacle, refer to the right part of Figure 2.1.

2.1.3 Advancement along the optimal trajectory

The steering procedure is done as similarly described in Section 2.2.3, checking a close state $x_{steered}$ that lies on the segment departing from the state to steer.

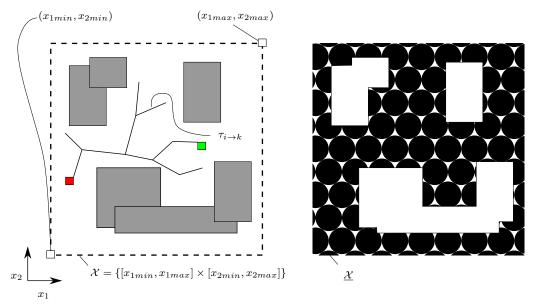


Figure 2.1 Example of maze problem.

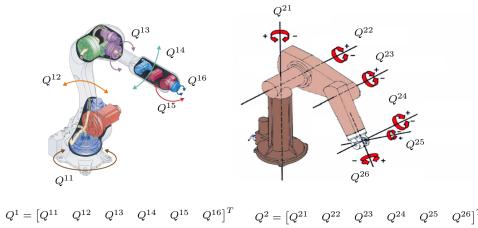


Figure 2.2 Rotating joints of two articulated manipulators.

2.2 Articulated arm problem

This is for sure one of the most common problem that can be solved using rrt algorithms. Consider a cell having a group of articulated serial robots. Q^i will denote the vector describing the configuration of the i^{th} robot, i.e. the positional values assumed by each of its joint. A generic state x_i is characterized by the series of poses assumed by all the robots in the cell:

$$x_i = Q_i = [(Q_i^1)^T \dots (Q_i^n)^T]^T$$
 (2.3)

refer also to Figure 2.2.

These kind of problems consist in finding a path in the configurational space that leads the set of robots from an initial state Q_o to and ending one Q_f , while avoiding the obstacles populating the scene, i.e. avoid collisions between any object in the cell and any part of the robots as well as cross-collision between all the robot parts. Here the term path, refer to a series of intermediate waypoints $Q_{1,\dots,m}$ to traverse to lead the robot from Q_o to Q_f .

2.2.1 Sampling

The i^{th} joint of the k^{th} robot, denoted as Q^{ki} , is subjected to some kinematic limitations prescribing that its positional value must remain always within a compact interval $Q^{ki} \in [Q^{ki}_{min}, Q^{ki}_{max}]$. Therefore, the

sampling of a random configuration Q_R is done as follows:

2.2.2 Optimal trajectory and constraints

Similarly to the problem described in Section 2.1.2, $\tau_{i\to k}$ is assumed to be a segment in the configurational space and the cost C is the Euclidean distance of a pair of states. The admissible region \underline{X} is made by all the configurations Q for which a collision is not present.

2.2.3 Advancement along the optimal trajectory

The trajectory going from Q_i to Q_k can be parametrized in order to characterize all the possible configurations pertaining to $\tau_{i\to k}$:

$$Q(s) = \tau_{i \to k}(s) = Q_i + s \left(Q_k - Q_i\right)$$
(2.5)

s is a parameter spanning $\tau_{i \to k}$ and can assume a value inside [0,1]. Ideally, the steer process has the aim of determine that state $Q(s_{steered})$ that is furthest from Q_i and at the same time contained in \underline{X} (Figure 1.1). Anyway, determine the exact value of $s_{steered}$ would be too much computationally demanding. Therefore, in real situations, two main approaches are adopted: a tunneled check collision or the bubble of free configuration.

2.2.3.1 Tunneled check collision

This approach consider as steered state $Q_{steered}$ the following quantity:

$$Q_{steered} = \begin{cases} \text{if}(\|Q_k - Q_i\| \le \epsilon) \Rightarrow Q_k \\ \text{else} \Rightarrow Q_i + s_{\Delta}(Q_k - Q_i) \text{ s.t. } s_{\Delta} \|Q_k - Q_i\| = \epsilon \end{cases}$$
 (2.6)

with ϵ in the order of few degrees. $Q_{steered}$ is checked to be or not in \underline{X} , by checking the presence of collisions, and is consequently marked as VALID or INVALID. This library does not provide a general collision checker (some very basics geometrical functions were implemented in order to run the samples). Anyway when implementing such an approach, you can easily integrate your favourite collision checker (like for example [1] or [2]) to embed in your own TrajectoryFactory.

Clearly, multiple tunneled check, starting from Q_i , can be done in order to get as close as possible to Q_k . This process can be arrested when reaching Q_k or an intermediate state for which a collision check is not passed. This behaviour can be obtained by setting a value grater than 1 with Solver::setSteerTrials(...). Figure 2.3 summarizes the above considerations.

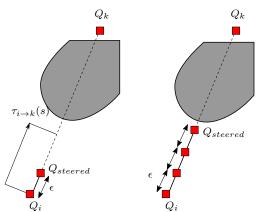


Figure 2.3 Steer extension along the segment connecting two states in the configuration space. On the left a single steer trial approach, on the right a multiple one.

2.2.3.2 Bubble of free configuration

This approach was first proposed in [7] and is based on the definition of a so called bubble of free configuration \mathcal{B} . Such a bubble is a region of the configurational space that is built around a state Q_i . More formally, $\mathcal{B}(Q_i)$ is defined as follows ¹

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{Q}^{1T} & \dots & \bar{Q}^{nT} \end{bmatrix}^T) = \mathcal{B}_O(\bar{Q}) \cap \mathcal{B}_C(\bar{Q})$$
(2.7)

where \mathcal{B}_O contains describes the region containing the poses guaranteed to not manifest collisions with the fixed obstacles, while \mathcal{B}_C describes the poses for which the robots do not collide with each others. They are defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{B}_{O}(\bar{Q}) = \left\{ Q \middle| \forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \sum_{i} R^{ji} |Q^{ji} - \bar{Q}^{ji}| \le d_{min}^{j} \right\}$$
 (2.8)

$$\mathcal{B}_{C}(\bar{Q}) = \left\{ Q \middle| \forall j, k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \sum_{i} R^{ji} |Q^{ji} - \bar{Q}^{ji}| + \sum_{i} R^{ki} |Q^{ki} - \bar{Q}^{ki}| \le d_{min}^{jk} \right\}$$
 (2.9)

where d_{min}^j is the minimum distance between the j^{th} robot and all the obstacles in the scene, while d_{min}^{jk} is the minimum distance between the j^{th} and the k^{th} robot. R^{ki} is the distance of the furthest point of the shape of the k^{th} robot to its i^{th} axis of rotation. Refer also to Figure 2.4.

Each configuration $Q \in \mathcal{B}$ is guaranteed to be inside the admitted region \underline{X} . This fact can be exploited for performing steering operation. Indeed, we can take as $Q_{steered}$ the pose at the border of $\mathcal{B}(Q_i)$ along the segment connecting Q_i to Q_k . It is not difficult to prove that such a state is equal to:

$$Q_{steered} = \left[Q_{steered}^{1T} \dots Q_{steered}^{nT} \right]^{T} = Q_{i} + s_{steered}(Q_{k} - Q_{i})$$

$$s_{steered} = min \left\{ s_{A}, s_{B} \right\}$$

$$s_{A} = min_{j \in \{1, \dots, n\}, q} \left\{ \frac{d_{min}^{j}}{\sum_{q} R^{jq} |Q_{i}^{jq} - Q_{k}^{jq}|} \right\}$$

$$s_{B} = min_{j,k \in \{1, \dots, n\}, q, q_{2}} \left\{ \frac{d_{min}^{jk}}{\sum_{q} R^{jq} |Q_{i}^{jq} - Q_{k}^{jq}|} + \sum_{q_{2}} R^{kq2} |Q_{i}^{kq_{2}} - Q_{k}^{kq_{2}}|} \right\}$$
(2.10)

Also in this case a multiple steer approach is possible for this strategy, refer also to Figure 2.5. Again, you can deploy your own geometric engine in order to compute the distances d_{min}^j , d_{min}^{jk} as well as the radii R^{ki} and define your custom TrajectoryFactory implementing the approach described in this Section.

¹where \bar{Q}^{jT} refers to the pose of the j^{th} robot, see equation (2.5).

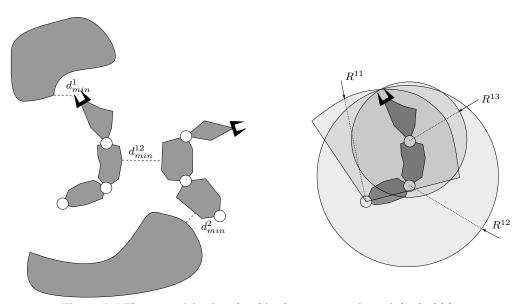


Figure 2.4 The quantities involved in the computation of the bubble \mathcal{B} .

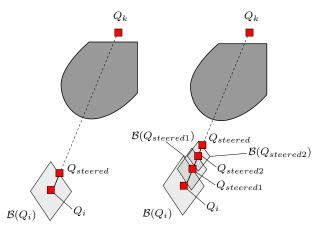


Figure 2.5 Single (left) and multiple (right) steer using the bubbles of free configurations.

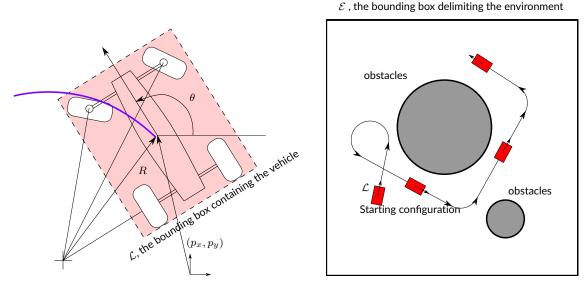


Figure 2.6 Vehicle motion in a planar environment.

2.3 Navigation problem

This problem is typical when considering autonomous vehicle. We have a 2D map in which a cart must move. In order to simplify the collision check task, a bounding box $\mathcal L$ is assumed to contain the entire shape of the vehicle, Figure 2.6. The cart moves at a constant velocity when advancing on a straight line and cannot change instantaneously its cruise direction. Indeed, the cart has a steer, which allows to do a change direction by moving on a portion of a circle, refer to Figure 2.6. In order to simplify the problem, we assume that the steering radius must be constant and equal to a certain value R and the velocity of the cart while performing the steering maneuver is constant too.

Since the cart is a rigid body, its position and orientation in the plane can be completely described using three quantities: the coordinates p_x, p_y of its center of gravity and the absolute angle θ . Therefore, a configuration $x_i \in \mathcal{X}$ is a vector defined as follows: $x_j = \begin{bmatrix} p_{xi} & p_{yi} & \theta_i \end{bmatrix}$. The admitted region $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$ is made by all the configurations x for which the vehicle results to be not in collision with any obstacles populating the scene.

2.3.1 Sampling

The environment where the vehicle can move is assumed to be finite and equal to a bounding box \mathcal{E} with certain sizes, right portion of Figure 2.6. The sampling of a random configuration for the vehicle is done in this way:

$$x_R = \begin{bmatrix} (p_{xi}, p_{yi}) \sim \mathcal{E} \\ \theta \sim U(-\pi, \pi) \end{bmatrix}$$
 (2.11)

2.3.2 Optimal trajectory and constraints

The optimal trajectory connecting two configurations x_i, x_j is made of three parts (refer to the examples in the right part of Figure 2.6 and the top part of Figure 2.7):

- a straight line starting from x_i
- a circular portion motion used to get from θ_i to θ_j
- a straight line ending in x_i

The cost $C(\tau)$ is assumed to be the total length of τ . It is worthy to remark that not for every pair of configurations exists a trajectory connecting them, refer to Figure 2.7. Therefore, in case the trajectory $\tau_{i\to j}$ does not exists, $C(\tau_{i\to j})$ is assumed equal to $+\infty$.

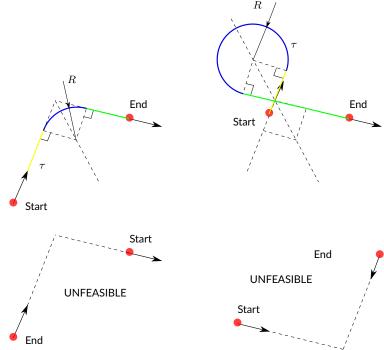


Figure 2.7 Examples of feasible, top, and non feasible trajectories, bottom. The different parts of the feasible trajectories are highlighted with different colors.

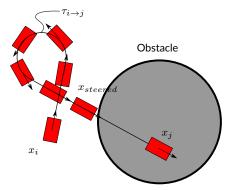


Figure 2.8 Steering procedure for a planar navigation problem.

2.3.3 Advancement along the optimal trajectory

The steering from a state x_i toward another x_j is done by moving along the trajectory $\tau_{i \to j}$, advancing every time of a little quantity of space (also when traversing the circular part of the trajectory). The procedure is arrested when a configuration not lying in $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$ is found or x_j is reached. Figure 2.8 summarizes the steering procedure.

Parallel RRT

This Chapter will provide details about the multi-threaded strategies provided by MT-RRT. Further details are contained also in [3], which is the publication were for the first time MT-RRT was presented. In [3] you can find also a comparison in terms of computational times.

3.0.1 Parallelization of the query activities

All the RRT versions spend a significant time in performing query operations on the tree, i.e. operations that require to traverse all the tree. Such operations are mainly the nearest neighbour search, algorithm 3, and the determination of the near set, algorithm 6.

The key idea is to perform the above query operations by making use of a thread pool implementing parallel for regions, where at an average all the threads process the same amount of nodes in the tree, computing their distances for determine the nearest neighbour or the near set. All the threads in the pool are spawn when a new planning problem must be solved and remain active and ready to perform the parallel for described before. All the operations of the RRT (regardless the version considered) are done by the main thread, which notifies at the proper time when a new query operation must be process collectively by all the threads. Figure 3.1.a summarizes the approach.

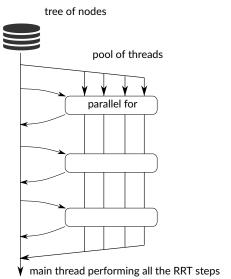
The object implementing this approach is QueryParallStrategy.

3.0.2 Shared tree critical regions

Another way to obtain a parallelization is to actually do simultaneously, every single step of the RRT versions. Therefore, we can imagine having threads sharing a common tree (or two trees in the case of a bidirectional strategy), executing in parallel every step of the expansion process. Some critical sections must be designed to allow the threads executing the maintenance of the shared tree(s) (inserting new nodes or executing new rewirds) one at a time. More precisely, the steer is done outside and only the insertion of the steered configuration in the tree is performed inside a critical region. Similarly, the extending procedure of the RRT*, algorithm 6, is modified by shifting the determination of the near set and the Rewird procedure in a critical section. Figure 3.1.b summarizes the approach.

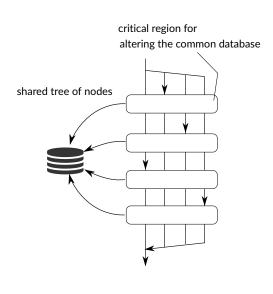
The object implementing this approach is SharedTreeStrategy.

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(a) Schematic

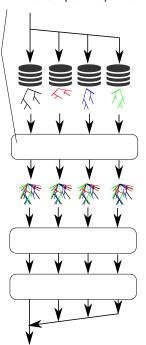
representation of the parallelization of the query activities approach.



Schematic representation of the parallel extensions of a common tree approach.

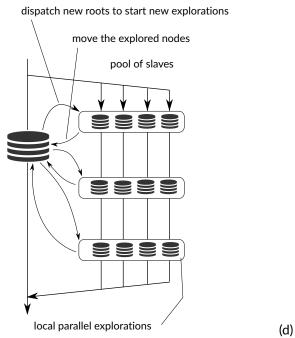
(b)

add to the local tree the nodes explored by the others



(c) Schematic repre-

sentation of the parallel expansions of copied trees approach.



Schematic representation of the multi agent approach.

Figure 3.1 Approaches adopted for parallelize RRT.

3.0.3 Parallel expansions on linked trees

To limit as much as possible the overheads induced by the presence of critical sections, we can consider a version similar to the one proposed in the previous Section, but for which every thread has a private copy of the search tree. After a new node is added by a thread to its own tree, P-1 copies are computed and dispatched 1 to the other threads, were P is the number of working threads. Sporadically, all the threads take into account the list of nodes received from the others and insert them into their private trees. This mechanism is able to avoid the simultaneous modification of a tree by two different threads, avoiding the use of critical sections.

When considering the bidirectional RRT, the mechanism is analogous but introducing for every thread a private copy of both the involved trees.

Instead, the RRT* version is slightly modified. Indeed, the rewirds done by a thread on its own tree are not dispatched to the others. At the same time, each thread consider all the nodes produced and added to its own tree when doing their own rewirds. When searching the best solution at the end of all the iterations, the best connections among all the trees in every threads are taken into account. Indeed, the predecessor of a node is assumed to be the parent with the lowest cost to go among the ones associated to each clones. Figure 3.1.c summarizes the approach.

Clearly, the amount memory required by this approach is significantly high, since multiple copies of a node must live in the different threads. This can be a problem to account for.

The object implementing this approach is LinkedTreesStrategy.

3.0.4 Multi agents approach

The strategy described in this Section aims at exploiting a significant number of threads, with both a reduced synchronizing need and allocation memory requirements. To this purpose, a variant of the RRT was developed for which every exploring thread has not the entire knowledge of the tree, but it is conscious of a small portion of it. Therefore, we can deploy many threads to simultaneously explore the state space $\mathcal X$ (ignoring the results found by the other agents) for a certain amount of iterations. After completing this sub-exploration task, all data incoming from the agents are collected and stored in a centralized data base while the agents wait to begin a new explorative batch, completely forgetting the nodes found at the previous iteration. The described behaviour resembles one of many exploring ants, which reports the exploring data to a unique anthill.

Notice that there is no need to physically copy the states computed by the agents when inserting them into the central database, since threads share a common memory: the handler of the node is simply moved. When considering this approach a bidirectional search is not implementable, while the RRT* can be extended as reported in the following. Essentially, the agents perform a standard non-optimal exploration, implementing the steps of a canonical RRT, Section 1.2.1. Then, at the time of inserting the nodes into the common database, the rewirds are done.

The described multi agent approach is clearly a modification of the canonical RRT versions, since the agents start exploring every time from some new roots, ignoring all the previously computed nodes. However, it was empirically found that the global behaviour of the path search is not deteriorated and the optimality properties of the RRT* seems to be preserved.

Before concluding this Section it is worthy to notice that the mean time spent for the querying operations is considerably lower, since such operations are performed by agents considering only their own local reduced size trees.

Figure 3.1.d summarizes the approach. The object implementing this approach is MultiAgentStrategy.

¹They are dispatched into proper buffer, but not directly inserted in the private copies of the other trees.

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Chapter 7

Namespace Documentation

7.1 mt Namespace Reference

Namespaces

- sampling
- solver
- traj

Classes

• class Copiable

Interface for a copiable object.

class Error

A runtime error that can be raised by any object inside mt::

- class ExtBidir
- class Extender

Used to extend one or two connected search trees.

- class ExtSingle
- class Limited

A numeric quantity whose value should always remain between defined bounds.

class LowerLimited

A @Limited quantity, having +infinite as upper bound.

class Node

 $\label{thm:line} \begin{tabular}{ll} Used for representing a state $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, Section 1.2 of the documentation. } \end{tabular}$

class Positive

A @LowerLimited quantity, having 0.0 as lower bound.

class Problem

Object storing the information needed to extend exploring trees.

struct Rewire

newFather should be set as father node for involved, with a cost to go equal to newCostFromFather

class Tree

Interface for a Nodes container. Minimal functionalties to iterate the container should be implemented in descendants.

• class TreeBase

Base class Tree, storing a problem pointer.

class TreeCore

Tree with the minimal functionalities required to implement an rrt algorithm.

class TreeExtendable

Base class for an extendable tree, i.e. a tree whose nodes can be incremented over time.

class Treelterable

Base Tree class physically storing the nodes.

• class TreeRewirer

Base Tree class with the capability of performing rewires, refer to Section 1.2.3 of the documentation.

class TreeStar

A tree that always compute and applies the rewires when adding a new node in the tree.

• class UpperLimited

A @Limited quantity, having -infinite as lower bound.

Typedefs

- typedef std::vector< float > NodeState
- typedef std::unique ptr< Node > NodePtr
- typedef std::unique_ptr< Problem > ProblemPtr
- typedef std::list< NodePtr > Nodes
- typedef std::unique_ptr< Tree > TreePtr
- typedef std::unique ptr< const Tree > TreePtrConst
- typedef std::tuple< const Node *, const Node *, float > BidirSolution
- typedef std::pair< const Node *, float > SingleSolution

Functions

- std::vector < NodeState > convert (const std::list < const NodeState * > nodes)
- TreeCore * convert (Tree *t)
- template<typename Extender >

std::size_t getIterationsDone (const std::vector < Extender > &battery)

- bool operator< (const BidirSolution &a, const BidirSolution &b)
- std::vector < ExtBidir > make_battery (const bool &cumulateSolutions, const double &deterministic ← Coefficient, const std::vector < TreePtr > &treesA, const std::vector < TreePtr > &treesB)
- bool operator< (const SingleSolution &a, const SingleSolution &b)
- std::vector < ExtSingle > make_battery (const bool &cumulateSolutions, const double &deterministic ← Coefficient, const std::vector < TreePtr > &trees, const NodeState &target)

7.1.1 Detailed Description

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7.1.2 Function Documentation

7.1.2.1 getIterationsDone()

Returns

the sum of extensions done by all the passed extenders

7.2 mt::sampling Namespace Reference

Classes

class HyperBox

A sampler drawing a sample inside an hypercube of n-dimensions, described by 2 corners. For example, corners [11, 12, 13, 14] and [u1, u2, u3, u4], describe an hyperbox whose points [x1, x2, x3, x4] are all such that: [x1, x2, x3, x4] are all such tha

class Sampler

Interface for a sampler of states.

Typedefs

• typedef std::unique_ptr< Sampler > SamplerPtr

7.2.1 Detailed Description

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7.3 mt::solver Namespace Reference

Namespaces

- linked
- multiag
- qpar
- shared

Classes

class LinkedTreesStrategy

strategy described in Section 3.0.3 of the documentation

class MultiAgentStrategy

strategy described in Section 3.0.4 of the documentation

struct Parameters

Parameters used to solve a planning problem.

class QueryParallStrategy

strategy described in Section 3.0.1 of the documentation

class SerialStrategy

The standard mono-thread rrt.

class SharedTreeStrategy

strategy described in Section 3.0.2 of the documentation

struct SolutionInfo

Is produced internally to @Solver, every time a new planning problem is solved. The various quantity can be then accessed using the getters of @Solver.

class Solver

Solver storing results of planning problem. Every time solve(...) is called, a new problem is solved and the results can be accessed using the getters provided in this interface. When another problem is solved calling again solve(...), the information regarding the previous problem are lost.

- struct SolverData
- class Strategy

An interface for an object in charge of solving a plannig problem.

Enumerations

• enum RRTStrategy { Single, Bidir, Star }

The kind of rrt strategy to use, refer to the ones described in Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation.

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7.4 mt::solver::linked Namespace Reference

Classes

- class ListLinked
- class NodeLinked
- class TreeContainer
- class TreeLinked
- class TreeStarContainer
- class TreeStarLinked

Functions

• std::vector< NodePtr > make_copies (Node &node)

7.4.1 Detailed Description

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7.5 mt::solver::multiag Namespace Reference

Classes

- class TreeMaster
- class TreeSlave
- class TreeStarMaster

7.5.1 Detailed Description

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7.6 mt::solver::qpar Namespace Reference

Classes

- class Pool
- class Query
- class Treelterator
- class TreeQPar
- class TreeStarQPar

Typedefs

• typedef std::function< void(void)> **Job**

Functions

template<typename Q >
 std::vector< Q > make_results (const std::vector< Problem * > &problems, const Tree &tree)

7.6.1 Detailed Description

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7.7 mt::solver::shared Namespace Reference

Classes

- class TreeShared
- class TreeStarShared

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7.8 mt::traj Namespace Reference

Classes

class Cost

Describes a cost to go.

class Line

Advances along a segment in the state space, traversing everytime a distance not higher than steerDegree.

- class LineFactory
- class LineTrgSaved

Internally saves the target state, in order for the const refernce stored in Line to remain meaningful.

- class TargetStorer
- class Trajectory

Interface describing an optimal trajectory \tau connecting 2 states, Section 1.2 of the documentation, in a particular problem to solve. A cursor internally stored the state currently reached. When avancing this object, the cursor is modified in order to traverse the trajectory.

class TrajectoryBase

Base class for a Trajectory. Calling advance a second time, after the first one returned blocked throw an exception.

class TrajectoryComposite

Base class for a Trajectory made of pieces of sub-ones.

class TrajectoryFactory

Creator of optimal trajectories, refer to Section 1.3.0.1 of the documentation. Each specific problem to solve need to define and use its specific TrajectoryFactory.

Typedefs

- typedef std::unique_ptr< Trajectory > TrajectoryPtr
- typedef std::unique_ptr< TrajectoryFactory > TrajectoryFactoryPtr

Enumerations

• enum AdvanceInfo { blocked, advanced, targetReached }

blocked -> when the advancement is not anymore possible, i.e. last state reached is not admitted by constraints advanced -> normal advancement. Last state reached is admitted by constraints. targetReached -> when the last advancement led to the target state

Functions

• float euclideanDistance (const float *stateA, const float *stateB, const std::size_t &buffersSize)

Computes the euclidean distance of bufferA w.r.t bufferB, both having a size equal to buffersSize.

7.8.1 Detailed Description

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Chapter 8

Class Documentation

8.1 mt::Copiable < T > Class Template Reference

Interface for a copiable object.

#include <Copiable.h>

Public Member Functions

virtual std::unique_ptr< T > copy () const =0
 A deep copy need to be implemented for the descendant.

8.1.1 Detailed Description

template<typename T> class mt::Copiable< T>

Interface for a copiable object.

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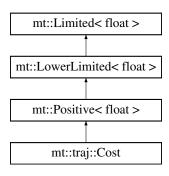
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8.2 mt::traj::Cost Class Reference

Describes a cost to go.

#include <Cost.h>

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::Cost:



Static Public Attributes

static const float COST_MAX
 Equal to the maximum possible float and assumed as upper bound for this object.

Additional Inherited Members

8.2.1 Detailed Description

Describes a cost to go.

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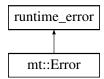
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/Cost.h

8.3 mt::Error Class Reference

A runtime error that can be raised by any object inside mt::

```
#include <Error.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Error:



Public Member Functions

• Error (const std::string &what)

8.3.1 Detailed Description

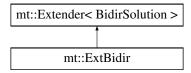
A runtime error that can be raised by any object inside mt::

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Error.h

8.4 mt::ExtBidir Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::ExtBidir:



Public Member Functions

- ExtBidir (const bool &cumulateSolutions, const double &deterministicCoefficient, Tree &leftTree, Tree &rightTree)
- void extend (const std::size_t &Iterations) override
 Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.
- std::vector< NodeState > computeSolutionSequence (const BidirSolution &sol) const override

Additional Inherited Members

8.4.1 Member Function Documentation

8.4.1.1 extend()

Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.

Parameters

the number of extension to perform

Implements mt::Extender < BidirSolution >.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/extn/header/ExtenderBidir.h

8.5 mt::Extender < Solution > Class Template Reference

Used to extend one or two connected search trees.

```
#include <Extender.h>
```

Public Member Functions

• virtual void extend (const std::size_t &Iterations)=0

Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.

• std::size_t getIterationsDone () const

Get the extensions done so far.

const std::set< Solution > & getSolutions () const

Get the collection solutions found.

- std::vector< NodeState > computeBestSolutionSequence () const
- bool isCumulating () const
- virtual std::vector < NodeState > computeSolutionSequence (const Solution &sol) const =0

Static Public Member Functions

template<typename ExtT >
 static std::vector< NodeState > computeBestSolutionSequence (const std::vector< ExtT > extenders)

Protected Member Functions

Extender (const bool &cumulateSolutions, const double &deterministicCoefficient)

Protected Attributes

- sampling::UniformEngine randEngine
- const bool cumulateSolutions

when set true, the extension process is not arrested when a first solution is found

- const double deterministicCoefficient
- std::size t iterationsDone = 0
- std::set< Solution > solutionsFound

8.5.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename Solution> class mt::Extender< Solution >
```

Used to extend one or two connected search trees.

8.5.2 Member Function Documentation

8.5.2.1 computeBestSolutionSequence() [1/2]

```
template<typename Solution >
std::vector<NodeState> mt::Extender< Solution >::computeBestSolutionSequence ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the sequence of states pertaining to the best solution found. In case no solution were found at all, an empty vector is returned

8.5.2.2 computeBestSolutionSequence() [2/2]

Returns

the sequence of states pertaining to the best solution found, among all the ones stored in all the passed extenders

8.5.2.3 extend()

Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.

Parameters

the	number of extension to perform

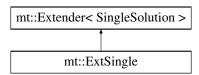
Implemented in mt::ExtBidir, and mt::ExtSingle.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/extn/header/Extender.h

8.6 mt::ExtSingle Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::ExtSingle:



Public Member Functions

- ExtSingle (const bool &cumulateSolutions, const double &deterministicCoefficient, Tree &tree, const NodeState &target)
- void extend (const std::size_t &Iterations) override
 Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.
- std::vector < NodeState > computeSolutionSequence (const SingleSolution &sol) const override

Additional Inherited Members

8.6.1 Member Function Documentation

8.6.1.1 extend()

Perform the specified number of estensions on the wrapped tree(s). This function may be called multiple times, for performing batch of extensions. All the solutions found while extending are saved and stored in this object.

Parameters

the number of extension to perform

Implements mt::Extender < SingleSolution >.

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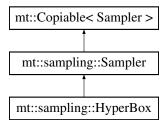
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/extn/header/ExtenderSingle.h

8.7 mt::sampling::HyperBox Class Reference

A sampler drawing a sample inside an hypercube of n-dimensions, described by 2 corners. For example, corners [I1, I2, I3, I4] and [u1, u2, u3, u4], describe an hyperbox whose points [x1,x2,x3,x4] are all such that: $Ii \le xi \le ui$

```
#include <HyperBox.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::sampling::HyperBox:



Public Member Functions

- HyperBox (const NodeState lowerCorner, const NodeState upperCorner)
- std::unique_ptr< Sampler > copy () const override
- NodeState randomState () const override

Returns a node having a state randomly sampled in the \mathcal{X} space, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation. This function is invoked mainly for randomly growing a searching tree.

- const NodeState & getLowerLimit () const
- const NodeState & getDeltaLimit () const

8.7.1 Detailed Description

A sampler drawing a sample inside an hypercube of n-dimensions, described by 2 corners. For example, corners [I1, I2, I3, I4] and [u1, u2, u3, u4], describe an hyperbox whose points [x1,x2,x3,x4] are all such that: Ii <= xi <= ui

8.7.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.7.2.1 HyperBox()

Parameters

the	lower corner of the hyperbox
the	upper corner of the hyperbox

Exceptions

if lowerCorner and upperCorner size mismatch or some of the values inside lowerCorner are greater than ones in upperCorner

8.7.3 Member Function Documentation

8.7.3.1 randomState()

```
NodeState mt::sampling::HyperBox::randomState ( ) const [override], [virtual]
```

Returns a node having a state randomly sampled in the \mathcal{X} space, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation. This function is invoked mainly for randomly growing a searching tree.

Returns

a drawn random state.

Implements mt::sampling::Sampler.

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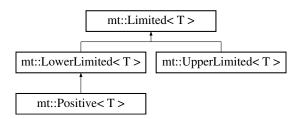
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8.8 mt::Limited < T > Class Template Reference

A numeric quantity whose value should always remain between defined bounds.

```
#include <Limited.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Limited< T >:



Public Member Functions

- Limited (const T &lowerBound, const T &upperBound, const T &initialValue)
- Limited (const T &lowerBound, const T &upperBound)

similar to Limited::Limited(const T& lowerBound, const T& upperBound, const T& initialValue), assuming lower↔ Bound as initial value

- Limited (const Limited &)=default
- Limited & operator= (const Limited &)=default
- const T & getLowerBound () const
- const T & getUpperBound () const
- T get () const
- void set (const T &newValue)

Protected Attributes

- T value
- const T lowerBound
- const T upperBound

8.8.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename T> class mt::Limited< T >
```

A numeric quantity whose value should always remain between defined bounds.

8.8.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.8.2.1 Limited()

Parameters

lower	bound for the value
upper	bound for the value
initial	value to set

8.8.3 Member Function Documentation

8.8.3.1 get()

```
template<typename T >
T mt::Limited< T >::get ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the current value

8.8.3.2 set()

Parameters

the new value to assumed

Exceptions

if the value is not consistent with the bounds

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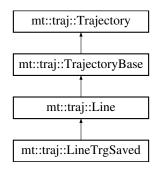
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8.9 mt::traj::Line Class Reference

Advances along a segment in the state space, traversing everytime a distance not higher than steerDegree.

```
#include <Line.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::Line:



Public Member Functions

- Line (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &target, const float &steerDegree)
- NodeState getCursor () const override

Protected Member Functions

• AdvanceInfo advanceInternal () override

Protected Attributes

- const NodeState & target
- const float steerDegree
- NodeState cursor
- NodeState previousState

8.9.1 Detailed Description

Advances along a segment in the state space, traversing everytime a distance not higher than steerDegree.

8.9.2 Member Function Documentation

8.9.2.1 getCursor()

```
NodeState mt::traj::Line::getCursor ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

the current state of the cursor. IMPORTANT: it is a no-sense value in case last advance() returned blocked

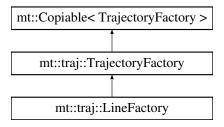
Implements mt::traj::Trajectory.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/Line.h

8.10 mt::traj::LineFactory Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::LineFactory:



Protected Member Functions

- LineFactory (const float &steerDegree)
- float cost2GolgnoringConstraints (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &ending_node) const override

Protected Attributes

• const float steerDegree

Additional Inherited Members

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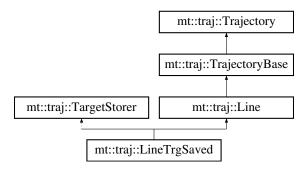
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/Line.h

8.11 mt::traj::LineTrgSaved Class Reference

Internally saves the target state, in order for the const refernce stored in Line to remain meaningful.

#include <LineTrgSaved.h>

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::LineTrgSaved:



Public Member Functions

• LineTrgSaved (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &target, const float &steerDegree)

Additional Inherited Members

8.11.1 Detailed Description

Internally saves the target state, in order for the const reference stored in Line to remain meaningful. The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

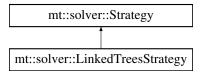
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/LineTrgSaved.h

8.12 mt::solver::LinkedTreesStrategy Class Reference

strategy described in Section 3.0.3 of the documentation

```
#include <LinkedTreesStrategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::LinkedTreesStrategy:



Public Member Functions

- std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy) final
 - solve a planning problem
- Limited< double > & getIterationsMax ()

Additional Inherited Members

8.12.1 Detailed Description

strategy described in Section 3.0.3 of the documentation

8.12.2 Member Function Documentation

8.12.2.1 solve()

solve a planning problem

Parameters

the	starting state
the	ending state
the	rrt strategy to use

Implements mt::solver::Strategy.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/strategies/LinkedTreesStrategy.h

8.13 mt::solver::linked::ListLinked< T > Class Template Reference

Public Member Functions

- ListLinked (const ListLinked< T > &)=delete
- ListLinked & operator= (const ListLinked < T > &)=delete

Static Public Member Functions

static void link (std::vector < ListLinked < T > * > &group)

Protected Types

typedef std::shared_ptr< std::list< T >> shared_buffer

Protected Member Functions

template<typename Action >
void gatherResult (const Action & action)

Protected Attributes

- std::vector< shared_buffer > incomings
- std::vector< shared_buffer > outgoings

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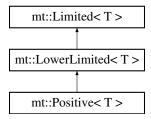
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/ListLinked.h

8.14 mt::LowerLimited < T > Class Template Reference

A @Limited quantity, having +infinite as upper bound.

```
#include <Limited.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::LowerLimited < T >:



Public Member Functions

- LowerLimited (const T &lowerBound, const T &initialValue)
- LowerLimited (const T &lowerBound)

Additional Inherited Members

8.14.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename T> class mt::LowerLimited< T >
```

A @Limited quantity, having +infinite as upper bound.

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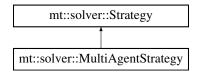
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Limited.h

8.15 mt::solver::MultiAgentStrategy Class Reference

strategy described in Section 3.0.4 of the documentation

```
#include <MultiAgentStrategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::MultiAgentStrategy:



Public Member Functions

- std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy) final
- Limited< double > & getIterationsMax ()

Additional Inherited Members

8.15.1 Detailed Description

strategy described in Section 3.0.4 of the documentation

8.15.2 Member Function Documentation

8.15.2.1 solve()

Exceptions

```
passing Bidir as rrtStrategy
```

Implements mt::solver::Strategy.

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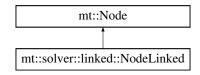
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/strategies/MultiAgentStrategy.h

8.16 mt::Node Class Reference

Used for representing a state x \in \underline{\mathcal{X}}, Section 1.2 of the documentation.

```
#include <Node.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Node:



Public Member Functions

- Node (const NodeState &state)
- Node (const Node &)=delete
- Node & operator= (const Node &)=delete
- Node (Node &&)=delete
- Node & operator= (Node &&)=delete
- float cost2Root () const
- const float & getCostFromFather () const
- const NodeState & getState () const
- Node * getFather () const
- void setFather (Node *new_father, const float &cost_from_father)

Connect this node to the new one passed as input.

8.16.1 Detailed Description

Used for representing a state $x \in \mathbb{X}$, Section 1.2 of the documentation.

8.16.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.16.2.1 Node()

Parameters

the | values inside the vector respresenting this state

Exceptions

when passing an empty state

8.16.3 Member Function Documentation

8.16.3.1 cost2Root()

```
float mt::Node::cost2Root ( ) const
```

Returns

Computes the cost to get from the root to this node, see 1.2.

Exceptions

when the root is not reached, cause loopy connections were made

8.16.3.2 getCostFromFather()

```
const float& mt::Node::getCostFromFather ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

The cost to go from the father of this node to this node.

8.16.3.3 getFather()

```
Node* mt::Node::getFather ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the node to reach before this one, in the path connecting the root to this node. Returns nullptr for the root

8.16.3.4 getState()

```
const NodeState& mt::Node::getState ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the state describing this node

8.16.3.5 setFather()

Connect this node to the new one passed as input.

Parameters

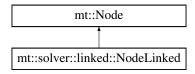
the	node to assume as new father
the	cost to go from the new father to set

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Node.h

8.17 mt::solver::linked::NodeLinked Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::linked::NodeLinked:



Public Member Functions

const std::vector< NodeLinked * > & getLinked () const

Static Public Member Functions

- static std::vector< std::unique_ptr< NodeLinked >> make_roots (Node &node, const std::size_t &threadsNumber)
- static std::vector< std::unique_ptr< NodeLinked >> make_linked (Node &node)

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/NodeLinked.h

8.18 mt::solver::Parameters Struct Reference

Parameters used to solve a planning problem.

```
#include <Strategy.h>
```

Public Attributes

• bool Cumulate sol = false

Don't stop exploring process after a solution is found.

Limited< double > Deterministic_coefficient = Limited<double>(0.01, 0.99, 0.2)

Regulates the determinism used to get a solution, refer to Section 1.2.1 of the documentation.

LowerLimited < std::size_t > Iterations_Max = LowerLimited < std::size_t > (10, 1000)

the maximal number of iterations to use trying to find a solution

8.18.1 Detailed Description

Parameters used to solve a planning problem.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/solver/Strategy.h

8.19 mt::solver::qpar::Pool Class Reference

Public Member Functions

- void open (const std::size_t &size)
- void close ()
- void addJob (const std::vector< Job > &jobs)
- void wait ()

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

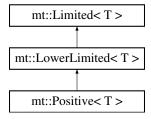
C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/queryParall/header/Pool.h

8.20 mt::Positive < T > Class Template Reference

A @LowerLimited quantity, having 0.0 as lower bound.

```
#include <Limited.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Positive < T >:



Public Member Functions

- **Positive** (const T &initialValue=static_cast< T >(0))
- Positive & operator= (const Positive &o)

Additional Inherited Members

8.20.1 Detailed Description

template<typename T> class mt::Positive< T>

A @LowerLimited quantity, having 0.0 as lower bound.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

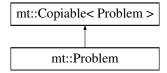
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Limited.h

8.21 mt::Problem Class Reference

Object storing the information needed to extend exploring trees.

#include <Problem.h>

Inheritance diagram for mt::Problem:



Public Member Functions

- Problem (sampling::SamplerPtr sampler, traj::TrajectoryFactoryPtr manager, const std::size_ ← t &stateSpaceSize, const float &gamma, const bool &simmetry=true)
- Problem & operator= (const Problem &)=delete
- std::unique_ptr< Problem > copy () const final

Used by @Solver: each working thread use its private Problem copy.

NodePtr steer (Node &start, const NodeState &trg, bool &trg_reached)

Performs a steering operation, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation, from a staring node to a target one.

void setSteerTrials (const std::size_t &trials)

Sets the steering trials used when extending searching trees.

• std::size_t getProblemSize () const

Returns the cardinality of \mathcal{X} , Section 1.2 of the documentation, of the plannig problem handled by this object.

• float getGamma () const

Returns the γ parameter, Section 1.2.3 of the documentation, regulating the near set size, that RRT* versions must compute.

• bool isProblemSimmetric () const

Returns true in case the planning problem handled by this object is symmetric, i.e. the cost to go from a node A to B is the same of the cost to go from B to A.

- sampling::Sampler * getSampler () const
- traj::TrajectoryFactory * getTrajManager () const

Protected Member Functions

• Problem (const Problem &o)

Protected Attributes

- const LowerLimited < std::size_t > stateSpaceSize
- const Positive < float > gamma
- const bool simmetry
- LowerLimited< std::size_t > steerTrials = LowerLimited<std::size_t>(1,1)
- sampling::SamplerPtr sampler
- traj::TrajectoryFactoryPtr trajManager

8.21.1 Detailed Description

Object storing the information needed to extend exploring trees.

8.21.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.21.2.1 Problem()

Parameters

the	sampler to steal	
the	trajectory factory to steal	
the	dimension of the state space of the problem to solve. Refer to 1.2	
the	\gamma involved in the near set computation, refer to Section 1.2.3 of the documentation	
true	when the problem is simmetric.	

Exceptions

```
if sampler or manager are nullptr
```

8.21.3 Member Function Documentation

8.21.3.1 getSampler()

```
sampling::Sampler* mt::Problem::getSampler ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the stored sampler

8.21.3.2 getTrajManager()

```
traj::TrajectoryFactory* mt::Problem::getTrajManager ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the stored trajectory factory

8.21.3.3 steer()

Performs a steering operation, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation, from a staring node to a target one.

Parameters

st	tarting	ng configuration	
to	arget	configuration to reach	
se	et	true from the inside of this function, when the target was reached after steering	

Returns

the steered configuration. Is a nullptr when the steering was not possible at all

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Problem.h

8.22 mt::solver::qpar::Query Class Reference

Protected Member Functions

• Query (Problem &problem, const Treelterator &iterator)

Protected Attributes

- Problem & problem
- Treelterator iterator

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

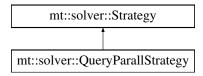
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/queryParall/header/Query.h

8.23 mt::solver::QueryParallStrategy Class Reference

strategy described in Section 3.0.1 of the documentation

```
#include <QueryParallStrategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::QueryParallStrategy:



Public Member Functions

 std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy) final
 solve a planning problem

Additional Inherited Members

8.23.1 Detailed Description

strategy described in Section 3.0.1 of the documentation

8.23.2 Member Function Documentation

8.23.2.1 solve()

solve a planning problem

Parameters

the	starting state
the	ending state
the	rrt strategy to use

Implements mt::solver::Strategy.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/strategies/QueryParallStrategy.h

8.24 mt::Rewire Struct Reference

newFather should be set as father node for involved, with a cost to go equal to newCostFromFather #include <TreeRewirer.h>

Public Member Functions

Rewire (Node &involved, Node &newFather, const float &newCostFromFather)

Public Attributes

- Node & involved
- Node & newFather
- float newCostFromFather

8.24.1 Detailed Description

newFather should be set as father node for involved, with a cost to go equal to newCostFromFather The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

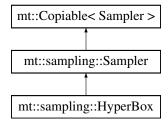
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeRewirer.h

8.25 mt::sampling::Sampler Class Reference

Interface for a sampler of states.

#include <Sampler.h>

Inheritance diagram for mt::sampling::Sampler:



Public Member Functions

virtual NodeState randomState () const =0

Returns a node having a state randomly sampled in the \mathcal{X} space, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation. This function is invoked mainly for randomly growing a searching tree.

8.25.1 Detailed Description

Interface for a sampler of states.

8.25.2 Member Function Documentation

8.25.2.1 randomState()

```
virtual NodeState mt::sampling::Sampler::randomState ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Returns a node having a state randomly sampled in the \mathcal{X} space, Sections 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the documentation. This function is invoked mainly for randomly growing a searching tree.

Returns

a drawn random state.

Implemented in mt::sampling::HyperBox.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

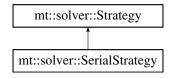
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/sampler/Sampler.h

8.26 mt::solver::SerialStrategy Class Reference

The standard mono-thread rrt.

```
#include <SerialStrategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::SerialStrategy:



Public Member Functions

• std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy) final

solve a planning problem

Additional Inherited Members

8.26.1 Detailed Description

The standard mono-thread rrt.

8.26.2 Member Function Documentation

8.26.2.1 solve()

solve a planning problem

Parameters

the	starting state
the	ending state
the	rrt strategy to use

Implements mt::solver::Strategy.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

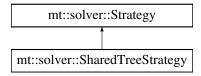
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/strategies/SerialStrategy.h

8.27 mt::solver::SharedTreeStrategy Class Reference

strategy described in Section 3.0.2 of the documentation

```
#include <SharedTreeStrategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::SharedTreeStrategy:



Public Member Functions

 \bullet std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy) final

solve a planning problem

Additional Inherited Members

8.27.1 Detailed Description

strategy described in Section 3.0.2 of the documentation

8.27.2 Member Function Documentation

8.27.2.1 solve()

solve a planning problem

Parameters

the	starting state	
the	ending state	
the	rrt strategy to use	

Implements mt::solver::Strategy.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/strategies/SharedTreeStrategy.h

8.28 mt::solver::SolutionInfo Struct Reference

Is produced internally to @Solver, every time a new planning problem is solved. The various quantity can be then accessed using the getters of @Solver.

#include <Solver.h>

Public Member Functions

• SolutionInfo (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &target)

Public Attributes

- const NodeState start
- const NodeState target
- std::chrono::milliseconds time = std::chrono::milliseconds(0)

elapsed time

• std::size_t iterations = 0

iterations spent

std::vector< NodeState > solution

The sequence of states forming the solution to the planning problem. Is an empty vector in case a solution was not found.

• std::vector< TreePtr > trees

The trees extended and used in order to solve the problem.

8.28.1 Detailed Description

Is produced internally to @Solver, every time a new planning problem is solved. The various quantity can be then accessed using the getters of @Solver.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/solver/Solver.h

8.29 mt::solver::Solver Class Reference

Solver storing results of planning problem. Every time solve(...) is called, a new problem is solved and the results can be accessed using the getters provided in this interface. When another problem is solved calling again solve(...), the information regarding the previous problem are lost.

#include <Solver.h>

Public Member Functions

- Solver (const Solver &)=delete
- Solver & operator= (const Solver &)=delete
- Solver (ProblemPtr problemDescription)
- Solver (ProblemPtr problemDescription, std::unique_ptr< Strategy > solverStrategy)
- void setStrategy (std::unique_ptr< Strategy > solverStrategy)
- std::unique_ptr< Strategy > extractStrategy ()
- void solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy)

Tries to solve a new plannig problem, using the previously set strategy. Information regarding the solution(s) found are stored inside this object.

- void setSteerTrials (const std::size_t &trials)
- void setThreadAvailability (const std::size_t &threads=0)
- std::size_t getLastIterations () const
- std::chrono::milliseconds getLastElapsedTime () const
- NodeState getLastStart () const
- NodeState getLastTarget () const
- std::vector< NodeState > copyLastSolution () const
- std::vector< TreePtrConst > extractLastTrees ()
- void saveTreesAfterSolve ()
- void discardTreesAfterSolve ()
- std::size_t getThreadAvailability () const
- template<typename User >
 void useProblem (const User &user)

Use the problem stored inside this solver for some external purpose.

8.29.1 Detailed Description

Solver storing results of planning problem. Every time solve(...) is called, a new problem is solved and the results can be accessed using the getters provided in this interface. When another problem is solved calling again solve(...), the information regarding the previous problem are lost.

8.29.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.29.2.1 Solver() [1/2]

Parameters

the problem description, i.e. the obect consumed by the solver to extend exploring trees and find solution(s)

Exceptions

passing	nullptr as problemDescription

8.29.2.2 Solver() [2/2]

Parameters

the	problem description, i.e. the obect consumed by the solver to extend exploring trees and find solution(s)
the	solving strategy to use for the following planning problems to solve (same as building the object with no strategy and then call setStrategy())

Exceptions

passing	nullptr as problemDescription
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8.29.3 Member Function Documentation

8.29.3.1 copyLastSolution()

```
std::vector<NodeState> mt::solver::Solver::copyLastSolution ( ) const
```

Returns

a copy of the solution, i.e. sequence of states, to the last solved planning problem.

8.29.3.2 extractLastTrees()

```
std::vector<TreePtrConst> mt::solver::Solver::extractLastTrees ( )
```

Returns

extracts the trees obtained for solving the last problem. The trees are moved out and therefore a subsequent call to this method would return an empty vector. By default, the trees are NOT saved in order to save memory space. However you can specify to the solver to save the trees by calling saveTreesAfterSolve(). You can disable trees saving calling discardTreesAfterSolve()

8.29.3.3 extractStrategy()

```
\verb|std::unique_ptr<Strategy>|mt::solver::extractStrategy||(\ )
```

Parameters

remove

the solving strategy stored in the solver. Useful to externally manipulate the strategy object (setting parameters for example) and then re-assing it using setStrategy(...)

8.29.3.4 getLastElapsedTime()

std::chrono::milliseconds mt::solver::Solver::getLastElapsedTime () const

Returns

the time required by the last planification

8.29.3.5 getLastIterations()

std::size_t mt::solver::Solver::getLastIterations () const

Returns

the number of iterations required by the last planification

8.29.3.6 getLastStart()

NodeState mt::solver::getLastStart () const

Returns

the starting configuration of the last solved problem

8.29.3.7 getLastTarget()

NodeState mt::solver::getLastTarget () const

Returns

the target configuration of the last solved problem

8.29.3.8 getThreadAvailability()

```
std::size_t mt::solver::Solver::getThreadAvailability ( ) const
```

Returns

The number of threads that will be used when adopting a multi-threaded Strategy

8.29.3.9 setSteerTrials()

Parameters

regulates the number of steering trials to use for following plans

8.29.3.10 setStrategy()

Parameters

the set the solving strategy to use for the following planning problems

8.29.3.11 setThreadAvailability()

Parameters

threads to use for solving future problems, when using a multi-threading Strategy. pass 0 to assume the number of cores.

8.29.3.12 solve()

Tries to solve a new plannig problem, using the previously set strategy. Information regarding the solution(s) found are stored inside this object.

Parameters

the	staring state of the problem to solve	
the	ending state of the problem to solve	
the	rrt strategy to use	

Exceptions

if	no @Strategy was set before calling this method.	
if	size of start is inconsistent	
if	size of end is inconsistent	
passing	Bidir for rrtStrategy for a problem that is not symmetric	

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/solver/Solver.h

8.30 mt::solver::SolverData Struct Reference

Public Attributes

- std::mutex solverMutex
- std::vector< ProblemPtr > problemsBattery

Each working thread should use one of the element in this battery.

bool saveComputedTrees = false

The obtained tree(s) are saved after solving a planning problem, in case this parameter is set true. Otherwise they are deleted in order to save memory space.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

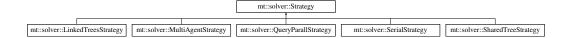
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/solver/Solver.h

8.31 mt::solver::Strategy Class Reference

An interface for an object in charge of solving a plannig problem.

```
#include <Strategy.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::Strategy:



Public Member Functions

- Strategy (const Strategy &)=delete
- Strategy & operator= (const Strategy &)=delete
- virtual std::unique_ptr< SolutionInfo > solve (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &end, const RRTStrategy &rrtStrategy)=0

solve a planning problem

- void **shareSolverData** (std::shared_ptr< SolverData > solverData)
- void forgetSolverData ()
- bool getCumulateFlag () const
- void setCumulateFlag (bool flag)
- Limited < double > & getDeterministicCoefficient ()
- LowerLimited< std::size_t > & getIterationsMax ()

Protected Attributes

- Parameters parameters
- std::shared_ptr< SolverData > solverData

8.31.1 Detailed Description

An interface for an object in charge of solving a plannig problem.

8.31.2 Member Function Documentation

8.31.2.1 solve()

solve a planning problem

Parameters

the	starting state	
the	ending state	
the	rrt strategy to use	

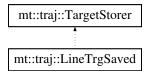
Implemented in mt::solver::MultiAgentStrategy, mt::solver::LinkedTreesStrategy, mt::solver::QueryParallStrategy, mt::solver::SerialStrategy, and mt::solver::SharedTreeStrategy.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/solver/Strategy.h

8.32 mt::traj::TargetStorer Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::TargetStorer:



Protected Member Functions

• TargetStorer (const NodeState &target)

Protected Attributes

const NodeState targetStored

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

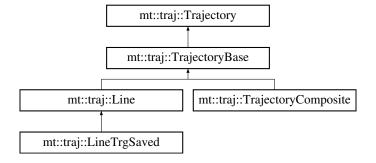
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/LineTrgSaved.h

8.33 mt::traj::Trajectory Class Reference

Interface describing an optimal trajectory \tau connecting 2 states, Section 1.2 of the documentation, in a particular problem to solve. A cursor internally stored the state currently reached. When avancing this object, the cursor is modified in order to traverse the trajectory.

```
#include <Trajectory.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::Trajectory:



Public Member Functions

- Trajectory (const Trajectory &)=delete
- Trajectory & operator= (const Trajectory &)=delete
- virtual AdvanceInfo advance ()=0

Move the internal cursor along the trajectory.

- virtual NodeState getCursor () const =0
- virtual float getCumulatedCost () const =0

8.33.1 Detailed Description

Interface describing an optimal trajectory \tau connecting 2 states, Section 1.2 of the documentation, in a particular problem to solve. A cursor internally stored the state currently reached. When avancing this object, the cursor is modified in order to traverse the trajectory.

8.33.2 Member Function Documentation

8.33.2.1 getCumulatedCost()

```
virtual float mt::traj::Trajectory::getCumulatedCost ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Returns

the cost to go from the beginning of the trajectory to the current cursor. IMPORTANT: it is a nosense value in case last advance() returned blocked

Implemented in mt::traj::TrajectoryBase.

8.33.2.2 getCursor()

```
virtual NodeState mt::traj::Trajectory::getCursor ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Returns

the current state of the cursor. IMPORTANT: it is a no-sense value in case last advance() returned blocked

Implemented in mt::traj::Line, and mt::traj::TrajectoryComposite.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

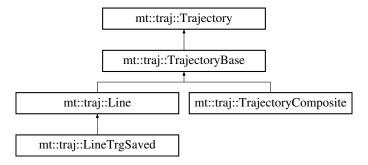
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/Trajectory.h

8.34 mt::traj::TrajectoryBase Class Reference

Base class for a Trajectory. Calling advance a second time, after the first one returned blocked throw an exception.

```
#include <TrajectoryBase.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::TrajectoryBase:



Public Member Functions

- AdvanceInfo advance () final
- float getCumulatedCost () const final

Protected Member Functions

• virtual AdvanceInfo advanceInternal ()=0

Protected Attributes

• Cost cumulatedCost

8.34.1 Detailed Description

Base class for a Trajectory. Calling advance a second time, after the first one returned blocked throw an exception.

8.34.2 Member Function Documentation

8.34.2.1 advance()

```
AdvanceInfo mt::traj::TrajectoryBase::advance ( ) [final], [virtual]
```

Exceptions

if a previous call to advance returned blocked

Implements mt::traj::Trajectory.

8.34.2.2 getCumulatedCost()

```
float mt::traj::TrajectoryBase::getCumulatedCost ( ) const [inline], [final], [virtual]
```

Returns

the cost to go from the beginning of the trajectory to the current cursor. IMPORTANT: it is a nosense value in case last advance() returned blocked

Implements mt::traj::Trajectory.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

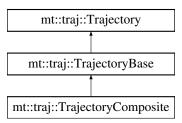
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/TrajectoryBase.h

8.35 mt::traj::TrajectoryComposite Class Reference

Base class for a Trajectory made of pieces of sub-ones.

```
#include <TrajectoryComposite.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::TrajectoryComposite:



Public Member Functions

• NodeState getCursor () const override

Protected Member Functions

- template<typename ... Pieces> **TrajectoryComposite** (Pieces &&... piecess)
- AdvanceInfo advanceInternal () override

Protected Attributes

- std::list< TrajectoryPtr > pieces
- std::list< TrajectoryPtr >::iterator piecesCursor
- Cost cumulatedCostPrevPieces

8.35.1 Detailed Description

Base class for a Trajectory made of pieces of sub-ones.

8.35.2 Member Function Documentation

8.35.2.1 getCursor()

```
NodeState mt::traj::TrajectoryComposite::getCursor ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

the current state of the cursor. IMPORTANT: it is a no-sense value in case last advance() returned blocked

Implements mt::traj::Trajectory.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

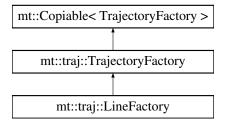
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/TrajectoryComposite.h

8.36 mt::traj::TrajectoryFactory Class Reference

Creator of optimal trajectories, refer to Section 1.3.0.1 of the documentation. Each specific problem to solve need to define and use its specific TrajectoryFactory.

```
#include <TrajectoryFactory.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::traj::TrajectoryFactory:



Public Member Functions

- TrajectoryFactory (const TrajectoryFactory &)=delete
- TrajectoryFactory & operator= (const TrajectoryFactory &)=delete
- float cost2Go (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &ending_node, const bool &ignore
 — Constraints) const

Evaluates the cost C(\tau), Section 1.2 of the documentation, of the trajectory \tau going from the starting node to the ending one, for two nodes not already connected.

virtual TrajectoryPtr getTrajectory (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &ending_node) const
 =0

Protected Member Functions

virtual float cost2GolgnoringConstraints (const NodeState &start, const NodeState &ending_node)
 const =0

8.36.1 Detailed Description

Creator of optimal trajectories, refer to Section 1.3.0.1 of the documentation. Each specific problem to solve need to define and use its specific TrajectoryFactory.

8.36.2 Member Function Documentation

8.36.2.1 cost2Go()

Evaluates the cost C(\tau), Section 1.2 of the documentation, of the trajectory \tau going from the starting node to the ending one, for two nodes not already connected.

Parameters

the	starting node in the trajectory whose cost is to evaluate
the	ending node in the trajectory whose cost is to evaluate
true	when the constraints, Section 1.2 of the documentation, need to be accounted. Cost::COST_MAX is in this case returned, when a feasible trajectory exists, but is not entirely contained in the admitted set, Section 1.2 of the documentation

Returns

the cost to go of the trajectory connecting the states. Cost::COST_MAX is returned when a feasible trajectory does not exist.

8.36.2.2 getTrajectory()

Parameters

the	starting state
the	ending state

Returns

the optimal trajectory connecting the passed states. nullptr is returned in case a feasible trajectory does not exist

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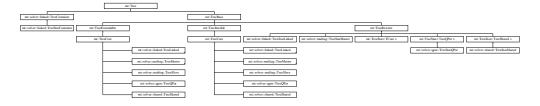
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/trajectory/TrajectoryFactory.h

8.37 mt::Tree Class Reference

Interface for a Nodes container. Minimal functionalties to iterate the container should be implemented in descendants.

```
#include <Tree.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Tree:



Public Member Functions

- Tree (const Tree &)=delete
- Tree & operator= (const Tree &)=delete
- virtual Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rend () const =0
- virtual Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rbegin () const =0
- const Node * front () const

8.37.1 Detailed Description

Interface for a Nodes container. Minimal functionalties to iterate the container should be implemented in descendants.

8.37.2 Member Function Documentation

8.37.2.1 front()

```
const Node* mt::Tree::front ( ) const [inline]
```

Returns

the first node in the container, i.e. the root of the tree

8.37.2.2 rbegin()

```
virtual Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::Tree::rbegin ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the first node in the container

Implemented in mt::solver::shared::TreeShared, mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer, and mt::TreeIterable.

8.37.2.3 rend()

```
virtual Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::Tree::rend ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the last node in the container

Implemented in mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer, and mt::TreeIterable.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Tree.h

8.38 mt::TreeBase Class Reference

Base class Tree, storing a problem pointer.

#include <TreeBase.h>

Inheritance diagram for mt::TreeBase:



Public Member Functions

• virtual Problem * getProblem () const

Protected Attributes

Problem * problem = nullptr
 The problem description this tree should use.

8.38.1 Detailed Description

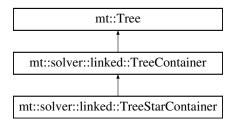
Base class Tree, storing a problem pointer.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeBase.h

8.39 mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer:



Public Member Functions

- TreeContainer (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)
- Nodes::const reverse iterator rend () const override
- Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rbegin () const override
- void gather ()
- std::size_t size () const
- TreeLinked * getContained (const std::size t &pos) const

Protected Attributes

• std::vector< std::unique_ptr< TreeLinked >> contained

8.39.1 Member Function Documentation

8.39.1.1 rbegin()

```
Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer::rbegin ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the first node in the container

Implements mt::Tree.

8.39.1.2 rend()

```
Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::solver::linked::TreeContainer::rend ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the last node in the container

Implements mt::Tree.

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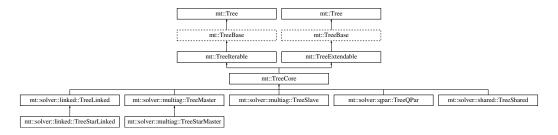
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/TreeContainer.h

8.40 mt::TreeCore Class Reference

Tree with the minimal functionalities required to implement an rrt algorithm.

```
#include <TreeCore.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::TreeCore:



Public Member Functions

- TreeCore (NodePtr root, Problem &problem)
- Node * extendRandom ()

sample a random state using the sampler of the problem and call extend(...) toward the sampled state. In case the extension was possible, the extended node is directly added to the tree and a pointer to it is returned.

Additional Inherited Members

8.40.1 Detailed Description

Tree with the minimal functionalities required to implement an rrt algorithm.

8.40.2 Member Function Documentation

8.40.2.1 extendRandom()

```
Node* mt::TreeCore::extendRandom ( )
```

sample a random state using the sampler of the problem and call extend(...) toward the sampled state. In case the extension was possible, the extended node is directly added to the tree and a pointer to it is returned.

Returns

the added node, in case the extension was possible.

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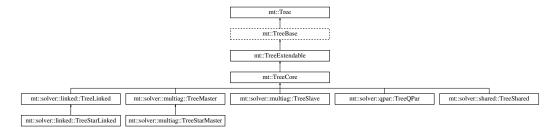
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeCore.h

8.41 mt::TreeExtendable Class Reference

Base class for an extendable tree, i.e. a tree whose nodes can be incremented over time.

```
#include <TreeExtendable.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::TreeExtendable:



Public Member Functions

std::pair < NodePtr, bool > extend (const NodeState & target)
 tried to extend the tree toward the target, performing a steering operation, Section 1.2 of the documentation

Protected Member Functions

virtual Node * nearestNeighbour (const NodeState &state) const

Additional Inherited Members

8.41.1 Detailed Description

Base class for an extendable tree, i.e. a tree whose nodes can be incremented over time.

8.41.2 Member Function Documentation

8.41.2.1 extend()

tried to extend the tree toward the target, performing a steering operation, Section 1.2 of the documentation

Returns

<a, b>: a: the node containing an extended node, having a father contained in this tree. In case the steering procedure was not possible, a nullptr is returned. b: a boolean that is true in case the extension was possible AND the target was reached. Otherwise is false.

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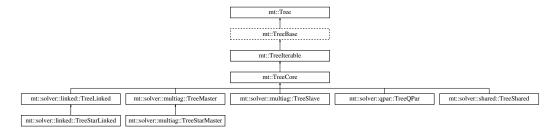
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeExtendable.h

8.42 mt::Treelterable Class Reference

Base Tree class physically storing the nodes.

```
#include <TreeIterable.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::Treelterable:



Public Member Functions

- Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rend () const override
- Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rbegin () const override
- virtual Node * add (NodePtr node)

Add the passed node to the collection.

Protected Member Functions

• Treelterable (NodePtr root)

Protected Attributes

• Nodes nodes

The collection of nodes.

8.42.1 Detailed Description

Base Tree class physically storing the nodes.

8.42.2 Member Function Documentation

8.42.2.1 add()

Add the passed node to the collection.

Parameters

```
the | node to introduce in the tree
```

Reimplemented in mt::solver::shared::TreeShared, mt::solver::linked::TreeLinked, mt::solver::linked::TreeStarLinked, and mt::solver::multiag::TreeSlave.

8.42.2.2 rbegin()

```
Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::TreeIterable::rbegin ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the first node in the container

Implements mt::Tree.

Reimplemented in mt::solver::shared::TreeShared.

8.42.2.3 rend()

```
Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::TreeIterable::rend ( ) const [inline], [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the last node in the container

Implements mt::Tree.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/Treelterable.h

8.43 mt::solver::qpar::Treelterator Class Reference

Public Member Functions

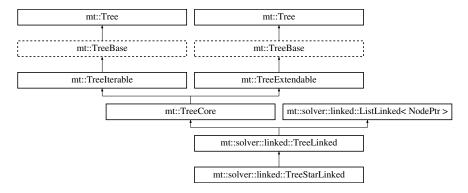
- Treelterator (const mt::Tree &tree, const std::size_t &startPos, const std::size_t &delta)
- Treelterator & operator++ ()
- const mt::Nodes::const_reverse_iterator & get () const
- const mt::Nodes::const_reverse_iterator & end () const

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/queryParall/header/Treelterator.h

8.44 mt::solver::linked::TreeLinked Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::linked::TreeLinked:



Public Member Functions

- TreeLinked (NodePtr root, Problem &problem)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override

Add the passed node to the collection.

virtual void gather ()

Additional Inherited Members

8.44.1 Member Function Documentation

8.44.1.1 add()

Add the passed node to the collection.

Parameters

```
the node to introduce in the tree
```

Reimplemented from mt::Treelterable.

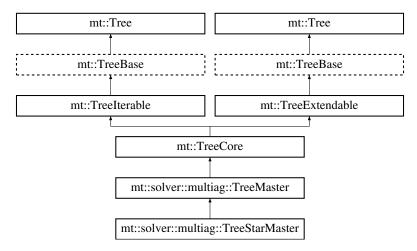
 $Reimplemented\ in\ mt::solver::linked::TreeStarLinked.$

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/TreeLinked.h

8.45 mt::solver::multiag::TreeMaster Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::multiag::TreeMaster:



Public Member Functions

- TreeMaster (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)
- void dispatch ()
- virtual void gather ()
- Tree & getSlave (const std::size_t &pos)

Protected Attributes

• std::vector< std::unique_ptr< TreeSlave >> slaves

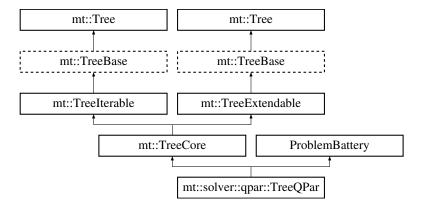
Additional Inherited Members

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/multiAgent/header/TreeMaster.h

8.46 mt::solver::qpar::TreeQPar Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::qpar::TreeQPar:



Public Member Functions

- TreeQPar (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)
- TreeQPar (NodePtr root, const TreeQPar &o)
- void open ()
- void close ()

Protected Member Functions

• Node * nearestNeighbour (const NodeState &state) const override

Protected Attributes

std::shared_ptr< Pool > pool

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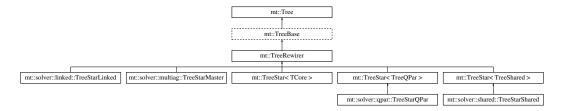
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/queryParall/header/TreeQParall.h

8.47 mt::TreeRewirer Class Reference

Base Tree class with the capability of performing rewires, refer to Section 1.2.3 of the documentation.

```
#include <TreeRewirer.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::TreeRewirer:



Protected Member Functions

• std::list< Rewire > computeRewires (Node &pivot) const

The fathe of the pivot might change to improve the connectivity, refer to Section 1.2.3 of the documentation, while the returned rewirds are evaluated but not applied, since might be applied later at the proper time. The pivot node is typically not already part of the tree when evaluating the rewirds.

- virtual std::set< Node * > nearSet (const NodeState &state) const
- float nearSetRay () const

Additional Inherited Members

8.47.1 Detailed Description

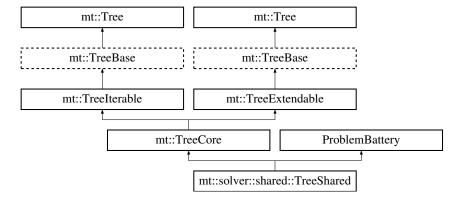
Base Tree class with the capability of performing rewires, refer to Section 1.2.3 of the documentation.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeRewirer.h

8.48 mt::solver::shared::TreeShared Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::shared::TreeShared:



Public Member Functions

- TreeShared (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override
 - Add the passed node to the collection.
- Nodes::const_reverse_iterator rbegin () const override
- Problem * getProblem () const override

Protected Attributes

std::mutex mtx

Additional Inherited Members

8.48.1 Member Function Documentation

8.48.1.1 add()

Add the passed node to the collection.

Parameters

Reimplemented from mt::Treelterable.

8.48.1.2 rbegin()

```
Nodes::const_reverse_iterator mt::solver::shared::TreeShared::rbegin ( ) const [override], [virtual]
```

Returns

an iterator pointing to the first node in the container

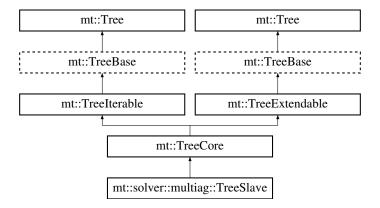
Reimplemented from mt::Treelterable.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/sharedTree/header/TreeShared.h

8.49 mt::solver::multiag::TreeSlave Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::multiag::TreeSlave:



Public Member Functions

- TreeSlave (Problem &problem)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override

Add the passed node to the collection.

• Nodes & getNodes ()

Public Attributes

• Node * originalRoot = nullptr

Additional Inherited Members

8.49.1 Member Function Documentation

8.49.1.1 add()

Add the passed node to the collection.

Parameters

```
the node to introduce in the tree
```

Reimplemented from mt::Treelterable.

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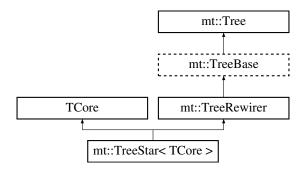
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/multiAgent/header/TreeSlave.h

8.50 mt::TreeStar < TCore > Class Template Reference

A tree that always compute and applies the rewires when adding a new node in the tree.

```
#include <TreeStar.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::TreeStar< TCore >:



Public Member Functions

- template<typename ... Args>
 TreeStar (Args &&... args)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override

Additional Inherited Members

8.50.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename TCore> class mt::TreeStar< TCore>
```

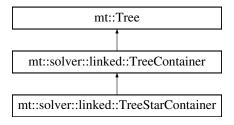
A tree that always compute and applies the rewires when adding a new node in the tree.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/tree/header/TreeStar.h

8.51 mt::solver::linked::TreeStarContainer Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::linked::TreeStarContainer:



Public Member Functions

• TreeStarContainer (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)

Additional Inherited Members

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/TreeContainer.h

8.52 mt::solver::linked::TreeStarLinked Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::linked::TreeStarLinked:



Public Member Functions

- TreeStarLinked (NodePtr root, Problem &problem)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override

Add the passed node to the collection.

• void gather () override

Additional Inherited Members

8.52.1 Member Function Documentation

8.52.1.1 add()

Add the passed node to the collection.

Parameters



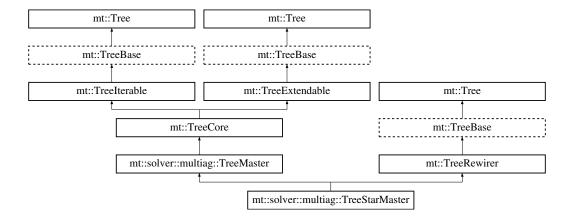
Reimplemented from mt::solver::linked::TreeLinked.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/linkedTrees/header/TreeStarLinked.h

8.53 mt::solver::multiag::TreeStarMaster Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::multiag::TreeStarMaster:



Public Member Functions

- TreeStarMaster (NodePtr root, const std::vector < ProblemPtr > &problems)
- void gather () override

Protected Member Functions

• std::set < Node * > nearSet (const NodeState &state) const override

Protected Attributes

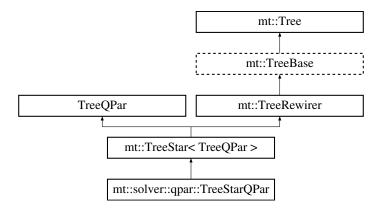
• std::list< Nodes > temporaryBuffers

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/multiAgent/header/TreeStarMaster.h

8.54 mt::solver::qpar::TreeStarQPar Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::qpar::TreeStarQPar:



Public Member Functions

• TreeStarQPar (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)

Protected Member Functions

• std::set< Node * > nearSet (const NodeState &state) const override

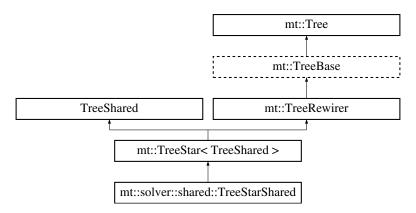
Additional Inherited Members

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/queryParall/header/TreeStarQParall.h

8.55 mt::solver::shared::TreeStarShared Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for mt::solver::shared::TreeStarShared:



Public Member Functions

- **TreeStarShared** (NodePtr root, const std::vector< ProblemPtr > &problems)
- Node * add (NodePtr node) override

Additional Inherited Members

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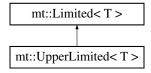
• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/src/strategies/sharedTree/header/TreeStarShared.h

8.56 mt::UpperLimited < T > Class Template Reference

A @Limited quantity, having -infinite as lower bound.

```
#include <Limited.h>
```

Inheritance diagram for mt::UpperLimited< T >:



Public Member Functions

- UpperLimited (const T &upperBound, const T &initialValue)
- **UpperLimited** (const T &upperBound)

Additional Inherited Members

8.56.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename T> class mt::UpperLimited< T >
```

A @Limited quantity, having -infinite as lower bound.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• C:/Users/andre/Desktop/MT-RRT/MT-RRT/header/Limited.h

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