

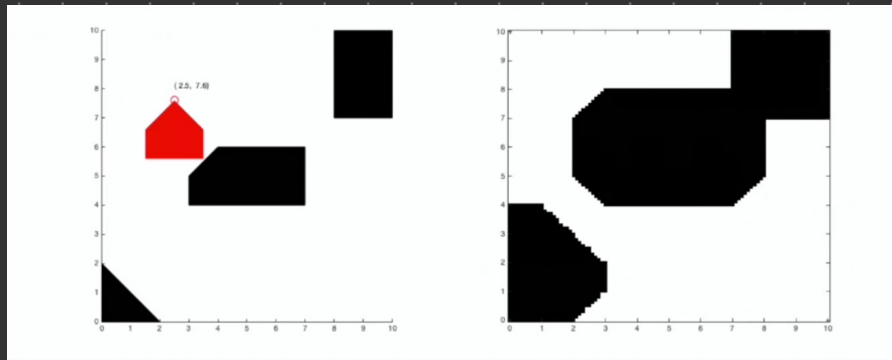


Configuration Space

Set of all configurations a robot can obtain \Rightarrow Configuration Space

Region a robot cannot go to is called configuration space obstacle

Comprises of \leftarrow
actual region
+ Robot



So path planning essentially involves the configuration space avoiding configuration space obstacles

Visibility Graph

Draw edge b/w any two vertices that can be connected by straight line entirely in free space.

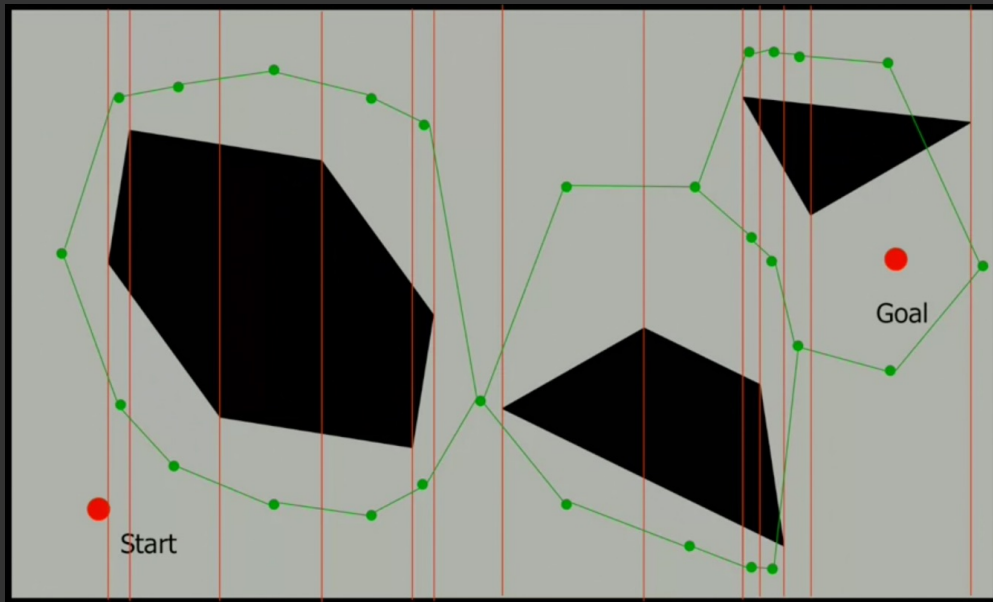
\rightarrow Then use Dijkstra's / A*

Leads to \leftarrow
trajectory going very
close to obstacles

\rightarrow Can be solved by assuming robot to be larger than it actually is to keep a larger margin as the config. space obstacles are inflated.

Trapezoidal Decomposition

Divide into subparts as follows



Practically obstacles aren't explicit, implicit objects are given by collision detection function