

Robotics Assignment 2

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1. Bidirectional RRT

I used a slight variant of bidirectional rrt. In each iteration one node gets added to each tree, after adding it, computations check whether any node from counter tree is closer than a certain threshold. If yes, connect the trees. Run parameters.m to load map parameters, then rrt_rob_2.m.

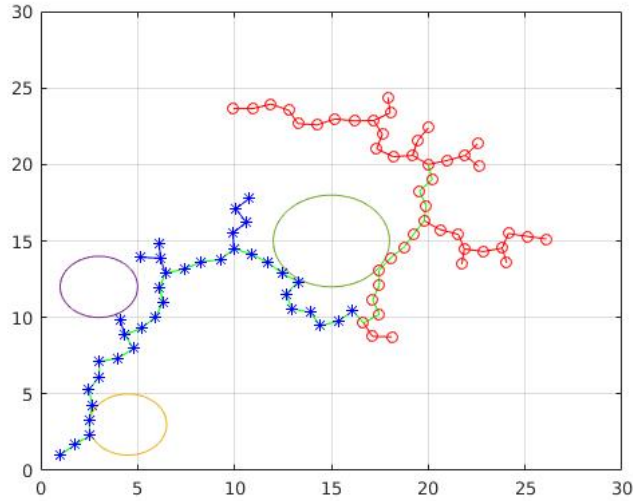


Figure 1: Bidirectional RRT

2. Potential field

Paraboloidic Potential function:

$$\begin{aligned} q &= \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ e &= \begin{bmatrix} x_g - x \\ y_g - y \end{bmatrix} \\ U_{att} &= 0.5K_a e^T e \\ &= 0.5K_a \|e\|^2 \\ \dot{q} &= -\frac{d(U_{att})}{dq} \\ &= k_a e \end{aligned}$$

$$U_o = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{1}{p(q)} - \frac{1}{p_o} \right)^2, & p(q) \leq p_o \\ 0, & p(q) > p_o \end{cases}$$

$$p(q) = \sqrt{(x_o - x)^2 + (y_o - y)^2}$$

$$-\frac{d(U_o)}{dq} = -\frac{n}{p^3} \left[\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_o} \right] \begin{bmatrix} (x_o - x) \\ (y_o - y) \end{bmatrix}; \quad p \leq p_o$$

$$\dot{q} = -\frac{d(U_{att} + U_o)}{d(q)}$$

Figure 2 shows the quiver plot of vector field. Circular boundaries depict the counter plot. Red boundary is the path traced by a point object whose dynamics is given by \dot{q} .

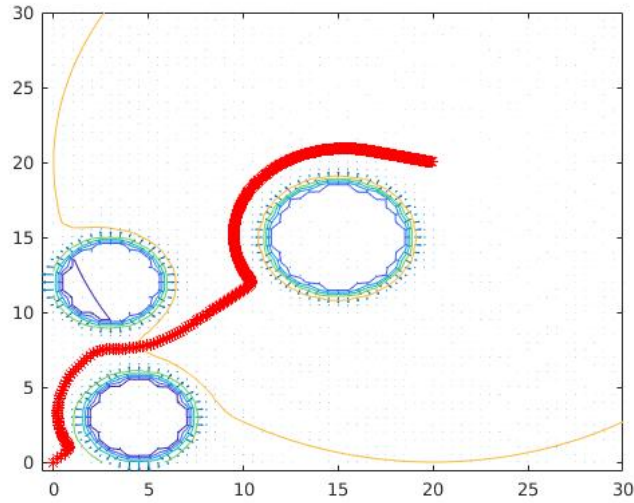


Figure 2: Quiver, Contour plot of paraboloidic field

Figure 3 shows the surf plot of potential function plotted against X and Y. Z-Axis depicts the $U(q)$. Parameters used in simulation:

Parameter	Value
p_o	3
n	10000
k_a	10
t_{step}	0.001
distance threshold	0.1
Step size for occupancy grid	0.5
iterations	792

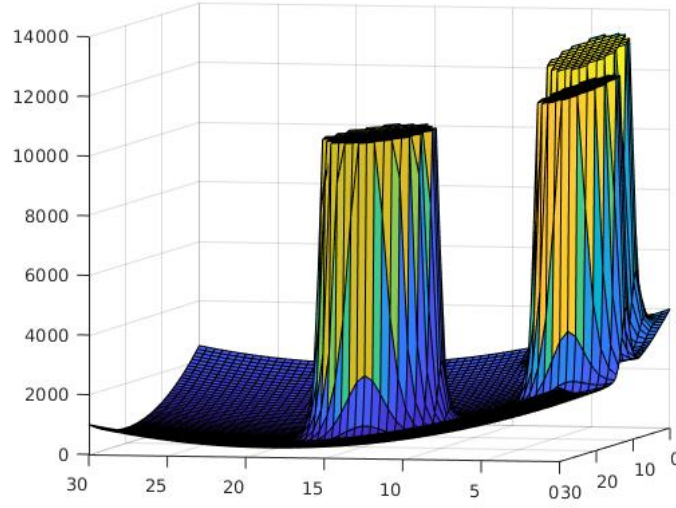


Figure 3: Paraboloidic Potential Function with repulsive potential

Conical Potential function:

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e = \begin{bmatrix} x_g - x \\ y_g - y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U_{att} = K_a \|e\|$$

$$\dot{q} = -\frac{d(U_{att})}{dq}$$

$$= \frac{k_a}{\|e\|} e$$

$$U_o = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{1}{p(q)} - \frac{1}{p_o} \right)^2 & , p(q) \leq p_o \\ 0 & , p(q) > p_o \end{cases}$$

$$p(q) = \sqrt{(x_o - x)^2 + (y_o - y)^2}$$

$$-\frac{d(U_o)}{dq} = -\frac{n}{p^3} \left[\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_o} \right] \begin{bmatrix} (x_o - x) \\ (y_o - y) \end{bmatrix}; \quad p \leq p_o$$

$$\dot{q} = -\frac{d(U_{att} + U_o)}{d(q)}$$

Figure 5 shows the quiver plot of vector field. Circular boundaries depict the counter plot. Red boundary is the path traced by a point object whose dynamics is given by \dot{q} .

Figure 3 shows the surf plot of potential function plotted against X and Y. Z-Axis depicts the $U(q)$. Parameters used in simulation: Run parameters.m, then conical_field.m / paraboloidic_field.m

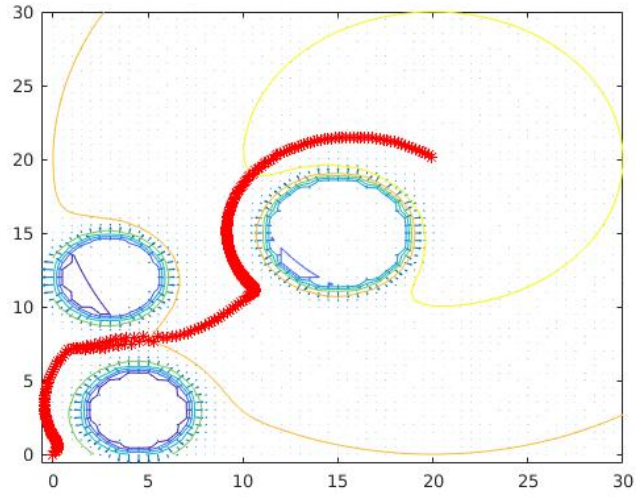


Figure 4: Quiver, Contour Plot, Traced Path

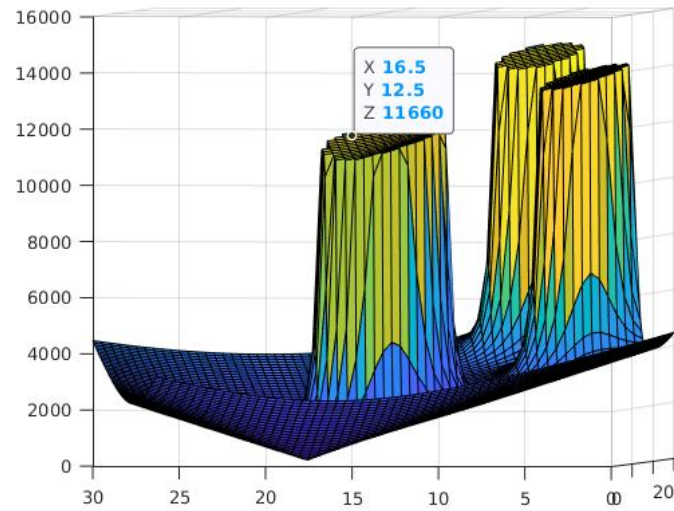


Figure 5: Conical Potential function with Repulsive Potential

Parameter	Value
p_o	5
n	10000
k_a	200
t_{step}	0.001
distance threshold	0.1
Step size for occupancy grid	0.5
iterations	375