

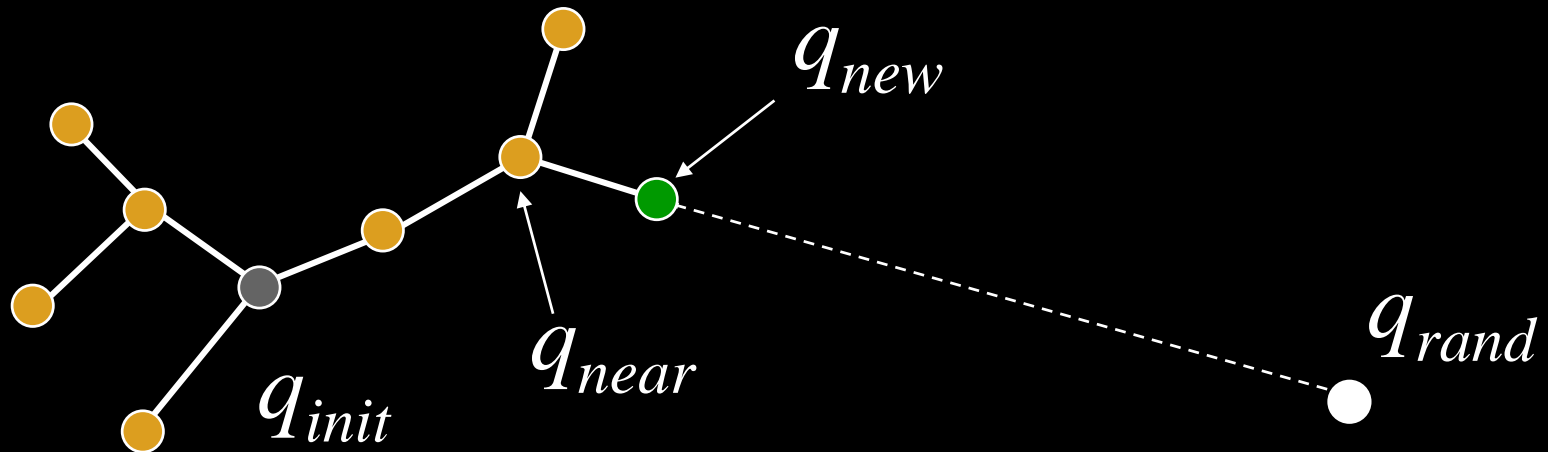
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Motion Planning IV – Non-Holonomic Motion Planning

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Last time...

- We learned about RRTs....



- But the standard version of sampling-based planners assume the robot can move in any direction at any time
- What about robots that can't do this?

Outline

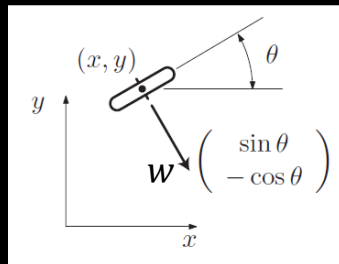
- Non-Holonomic definition and examples
- Discrete Non-Holonomic Planning
- Sampling-based Non-Holonomic Planning

Holonomic vs. Non-Holonomic Constraints

- **Holonomic** constraints depend only on configuration
 - $F(q, t) = 0$ (note that they can be time-varying!)
 - Technically, these have to be bilateral constraints (no inequalities)
 - In robotics literature we ignore this so we can consider collision constraints as holonomic
- **Non-holonomic** constraints are constraints that **cannot** be written in this form

Holonomic vs. Non-Holonomic Constraints

- Example: The kinematics of a unicycle
 - Can move forward and back
 - Can rotate about the wheel center
 - Can't move sideways



$$\dot{q} = (\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{\theta})^T$$
$$w = (\sin \theta, -\cos \theta, 0)$$
$$w\dot{q} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{Constraint}$$



- But wait, why can't we just integrate them to get a holonomic constraint?
- Can still reach any (x,y,θ) (so no constraint on configuration)
 - But may not be able to move in a certain direction *instantaneously*

Holonomic vs. Non-Holonomic Constraints

- Non-holonomic constraints are **non-integrable**, i.e. can't re-write them as holonomic constraints
 - Thus non-holonomic constraints **must** contain derivatives of configuration
 - They are sometimes called non-integrable **differential** constraints
- Thus, we need to consider how to move between configurations (or states) when planning
 - Previously we assumed we can move between arbitrary nearby configurations using a straight line

Constraint Taxonomy

bilateral	two-sided constraint, which can be expressed by equations of the form $F(\dots) = 0$.
unilateral	a one-sided constraint, requiring an inequality $F(\dots) \geq 0$.
holonomic	a constraint that can be expressed as an equation in just the configuration variables, and possibly time, but independent of the rate variables, $F(\mathbf{q}, t) = 0$.
nonholonomic	a constraint that <u>cannot</u> be expressed in the form $F(\mathbf{q}, t) = 0$, requiring either inequalities or rate variables.
scleronomic	a stationary constraint, expressible independent of time $F(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) = 0$.
rheonomic	a moving constraint, involving time $F(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = 0$.

Mechanics of Robotic Manipulation, Matthew T. Mason, MIT Press, August 2001.

- Note: uses the standard definition of holonomic (no inequalities allowed)

State Space vs. Control Space

- State Space



$$\begin{matrix} x, y, z, \psi, \phi, \theta \\ \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}, \dot{\psi}, \dot{\phi}, \dot{\theta} \end{matrix}$$

- Control space
 - Speed or Acceleration
 - Steering

Example: Simple Car

- Non-holonomic Constraint:

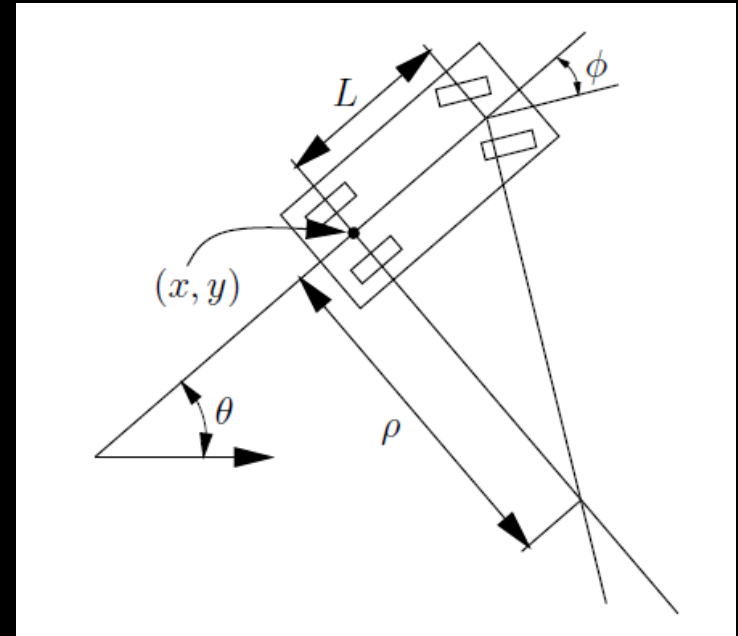
$$-\dot{x} \sin \theta + \dot{y} \cos \theta = 0.$$

- Motion model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= u_s \cos \theta \\ \dot{y} &= u_s \sin \theta \\ \dot{\theta} &= \frac{u_s}{L} \tan u_\phi.\end{aligned}$$

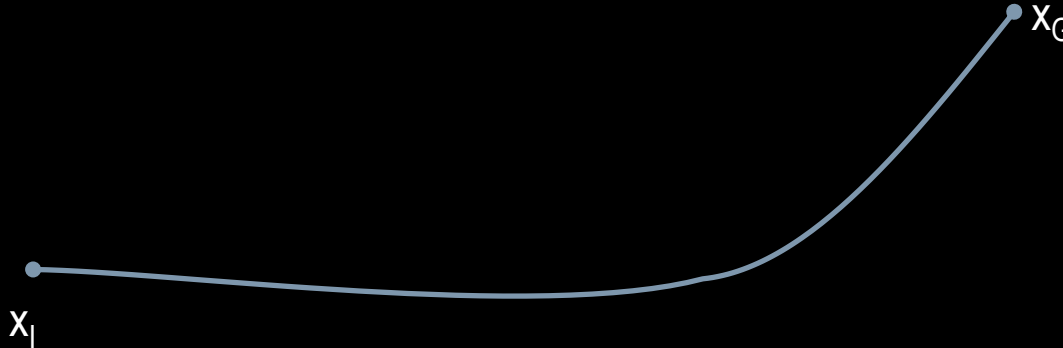
u_s = speed

u_ϕ = steering angle



Moving between states (with no obstacles)

- **Two-Point Boundary Value Problem (BVP)**: Find a control sequence to take system from state x_I to state x_G while obeying kinematic constraints.



- LOTS of methods for this
 - Shooting method: Pick initial guess, iteratively get closer to goal
 - Many “Steering” methods can be used (see LaValle Chapter 15.5)
- For motion planning, we only use this locally
 - Because it doesn’t account for obstacles

Methods for Planning for Non-holonomic Systems

- Discrete search
 - Sequencing primitives
 - State lattice
- Sampling-based
 - PRM-style
 - RRT-style

Discrete Planning for Non-Holonomic Systems

- Two Well-known Alternatives:
 1. Search for sequence of primitives to get to a goal state
 2. Compute *State Lattice*, search for sequence of states in lattice
 - By construction of state lattice, can always get between these states

Discrete Planning Option 1: Sequencing Primitives

- Discretize control space
 - Barraquand & Latombe, 1993:
 - Motion primitives: 3 arcs (+ reverse) at κ_{\max}
 - Cost = number of reversals
 - Search using Dijkstra's Algorithm
 - Disadvantage: Discontinuous curvature

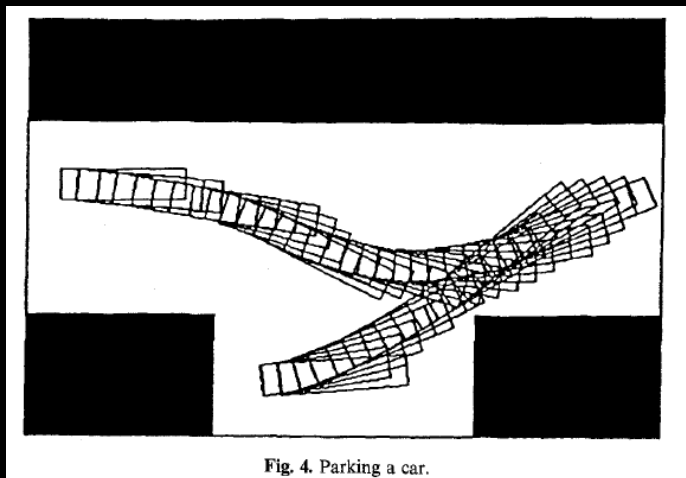
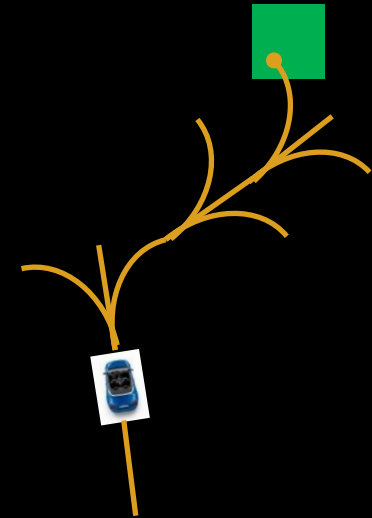


Fig. 4. Parking a car.

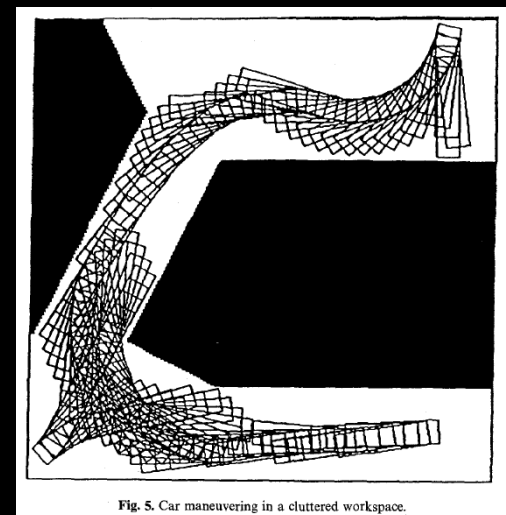
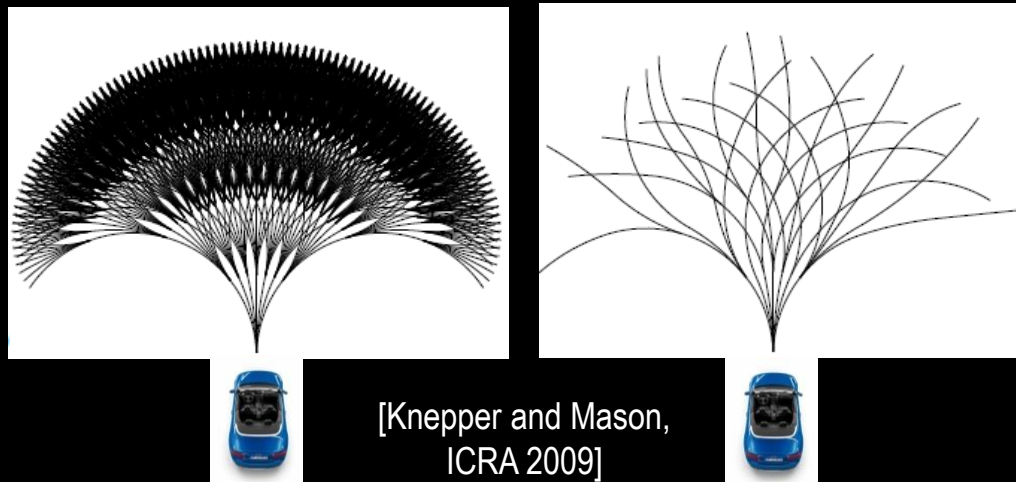


Fig. 5. Car maneuvering in a cluttered workspace.

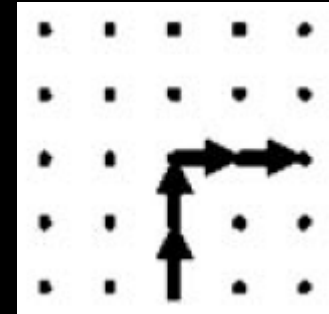
Discrete Planning Option 1: Sequencing Primitives

- Choice of set of primitives affects
 - Completeness
 - Optimality
 - Speed
- Some algorithms build good (small) sets of primitives

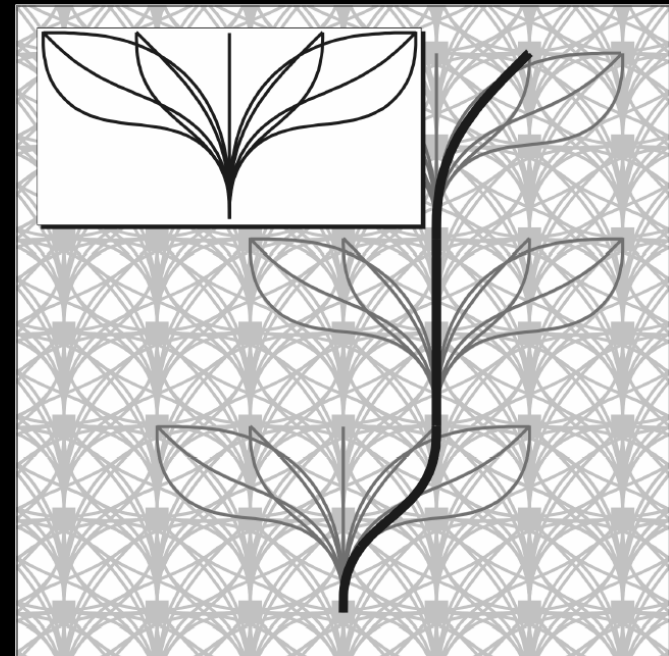


Discrete Planning Option 2: State Lattice

- Pre-compute state lattice
- Two methods to get lattice:
 - Forward: For certain systems, can sequence primitives to make lattice
 - Inverse: Discretize space, use BVP solvers to find trajectories between states
- Impose continuity constraints at graph vertices
- Search state lattice like any graph (i.e. A^*)



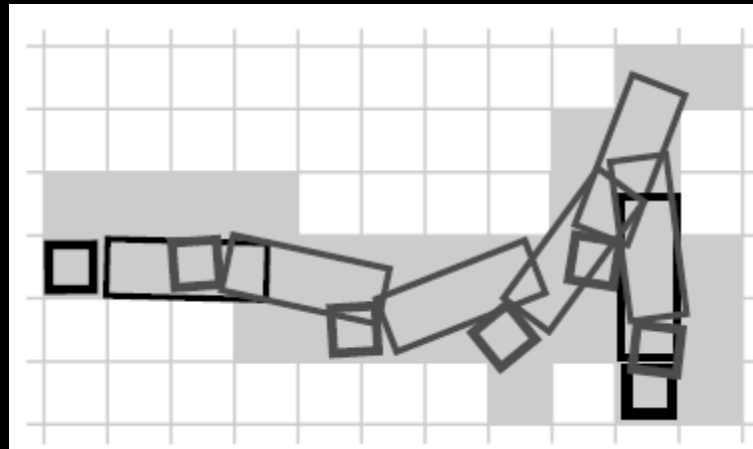
Traditional lattice yields discontinuous motion



Pivtoraiko et al. 2009

Discrete Planning Option 2: State Lattice

- Pre-compute swept volume of robot for each transition for faster collision check



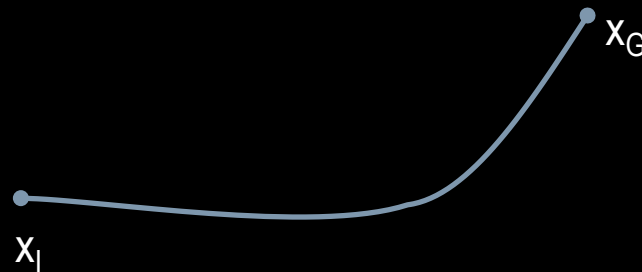
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Sampling-Based Planning for Non-Holonomic Systems

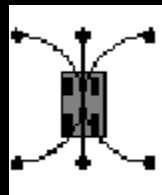
- Forming a full state lattice is impractical for high dimensions, so sample instead.
- **IMPORTANT:** We are now sampling **state space** (position and velocity), not C-space (position only)
- Why is this hard?
 - Dimension of the space is doubled
 - Moving between points is harder (can't go in a straight line)
 - Distance metric is unclear
 - We usually use Euclidian, even though it's not the right metric

PRM-style Non-Holonomic Planning

- Sampling, graph building, and query strategies are all the same as regular PRM
- **Problem:** Local planner needs to reach an EXACT state (i.e. a given node) while obeying non-holonomic constraints
- In general: BVP problem, use general solver (slow)



- In practice local planner specialized to system type
- Example: For Reeds-Shepp car, can compute optimal path between nodes quickly



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RRT-style Non-Holonomic Planning

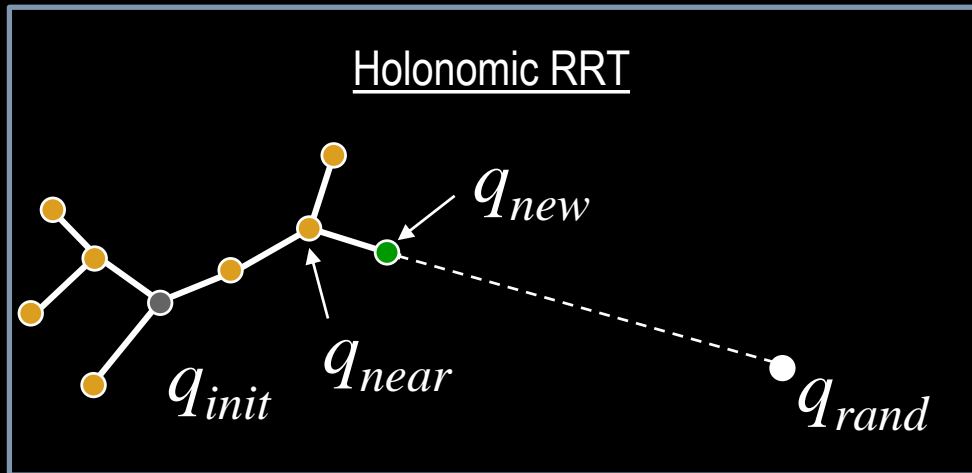
- RRT became famous partly because of its success as a method for non-holonomic planning
- Sampling and tree building is the same as regular RRT
- **Problem:** Not all straight lines are valid, can't extend toward nodes
 - One solution: use motion primitives to get as close to target node as possible

RRTs for Non-Holonomic Systems

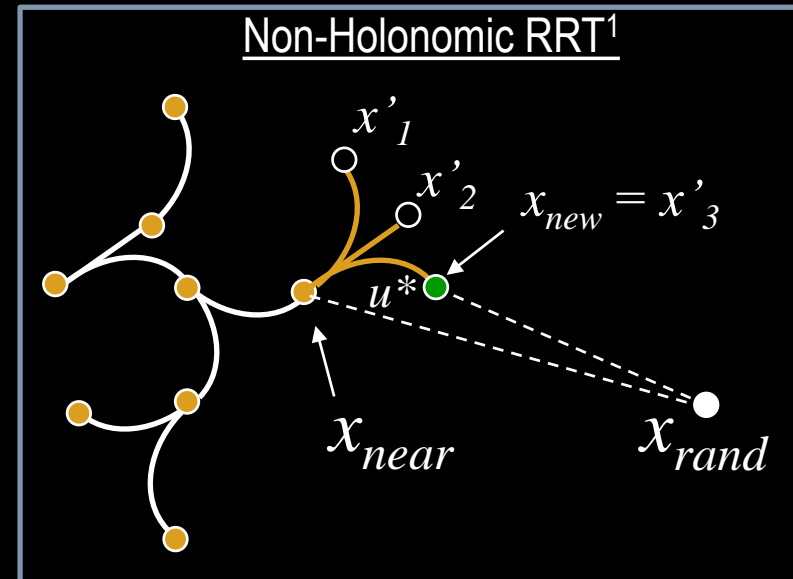
- Apply motion primitives (i.e. simple actions) at q_{near}

$x' = f(x, u)$ --- use action u from x to arrive at x'

chose $u_* = \arg \min_{u_i} d(f(x, u_i), x_{rand})$



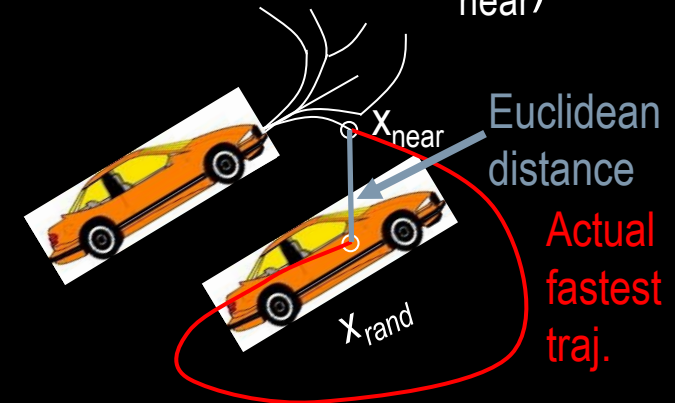
- You probably won't reach x_{rand} by doing this
 - Key point: No problem, you're still exploring!



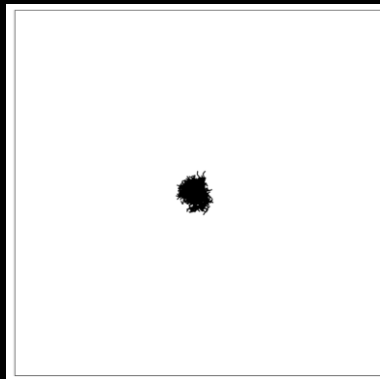
¹often called *Kinodynamic RRT*

RRTs and Distance Metrics

- Hard to define d , the distance metric (needed to determine x_{near})
 - Mixing velocity, position, rotation, etc.
- How do you pick a good x_{near} ?

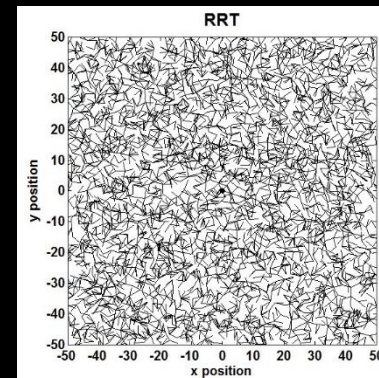


Configurations are close according to Euclidian metric, but actual distance is large



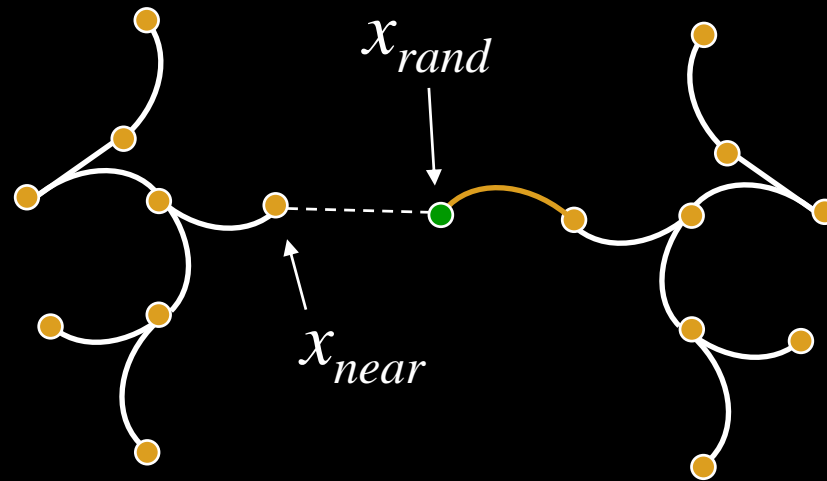
Random Node Choice
(bad distance metric)

Euclidean is
somewhere in
the middle



RRT Node Choice
(good distance metric)

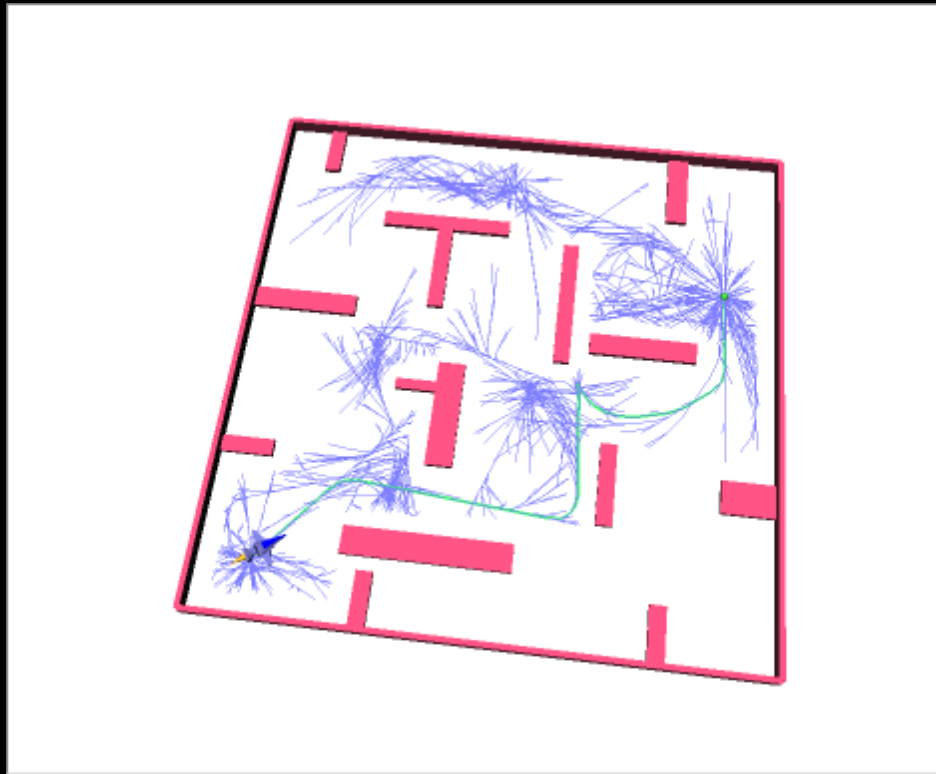
BiDirectional Non-Holonomic RRT



- How do we bridge these two points?

Non-holonomic Smoothing

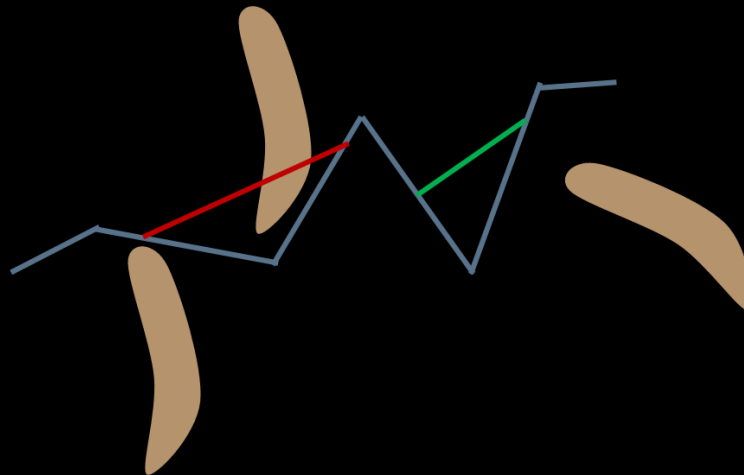
- Similar to holonomic case, paths produced can be highly suboptimal



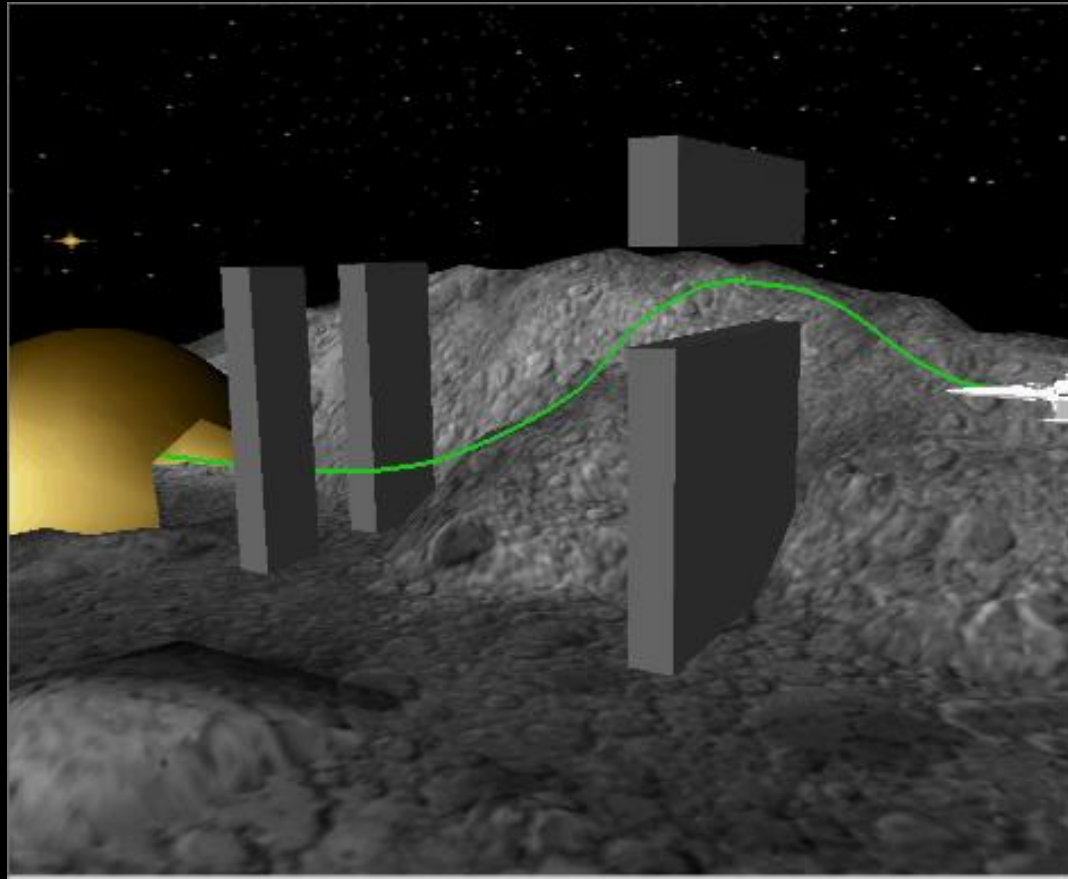
Hovercraft with 2 Thrusters in 2D

Non-Holonomic Smoothing

- Smoothing methods:
 - General trajectory optimization
 - Convert path to cubic B-spline
 - Be careful about collisions
- Can we use shortcut smoothing?



RRTs can Handle High DOF



12DOF Non-Holonomic Motion Planning

Summary

- Non-holonomic constraints are constraints that must involve derivatives of position variables
- Discrete Non-Holonomic Planning
 - Option 1: Search for sequence of primitives to get to a goal state
 - Option 2: Compute *State Lattice*, search for sequence of states in lattice
- Sampling-based Non-Holonomic Planning
 - Adapt PRM to use BVP solver
 - Adapt RRT to use motion primitives (+ BVP solver for BiDirectional case)

Homework

- Read IK Survey
- HW 3 is posted