

To run code, run `python3 Midterm.py --out <name of output file> <input file>` . Note the capital `Midterm` By default, the command is run with `midterm_desc.json` to get the initial paramters for the world and output json file.

To change the probability of the goal, scroll to the end of `Midterm.py` and edit the Script Parameters

Problem 2: EC

1. The paper begins by saying let C and C_{free} be the Configuration Space and the Configuration Space Obstacle. However, C or C_{free} , neither are defined as sets or any mathematical object and there is no definition of such object in the defintion. The definition also implies that there can only be one obstacle. The author should first define the world $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R}^2$ and then define the C-Space as all possible configurations of the robot $q = (x, y, \theta)$ or something that's appropriate for the robot they are solving the path planning problem for. Following this, $C_{obs} = \{q \in C | A(q) \cap \mathbf{O} \neq \phi\}$, where $A(q)$ is a configuration of the robot. Then $C_{free} = C \setminus C_{obs}$
2. The author defines a feasible path $\tau : [q_I, q_G]^T$. The definition of τ according to the author implies that τ is a column vector and not a function at all. However, τ is a function that maps a continuous path from q_I to q_G where $\tau(s), s \in [0, 1], \tau(s) \in C_{free}$. τ should be defined as $\tau : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ where X is a topological space.