

1.

A:

[3.0, 0.0, 0.0]

B:

[1.2174274866104318, 1.5560199955519716, 0.0]

C:

[2.701511529340699, 4.207354924039483, 0.0]

2.

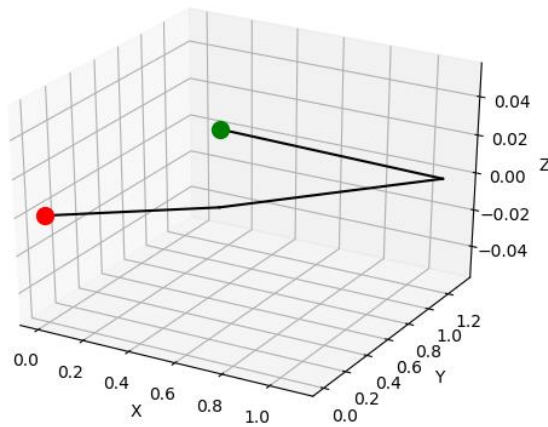


Fig. 1

3.

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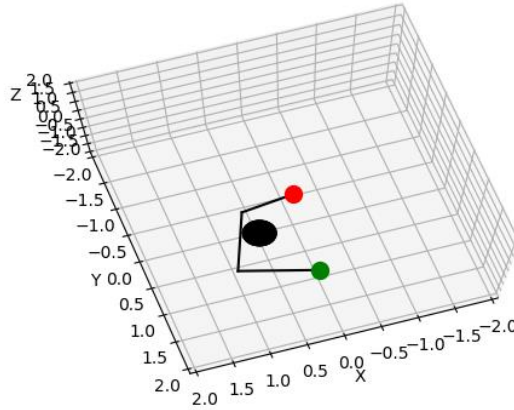


Fig. 2

5.

As shown below, when r goes larger (e.g. 0.3) the end point of arm can still somehow manage to hit the goal position, but when it is larger then a threshold (e.g. 0.4), the arm cannot hit it anymore.

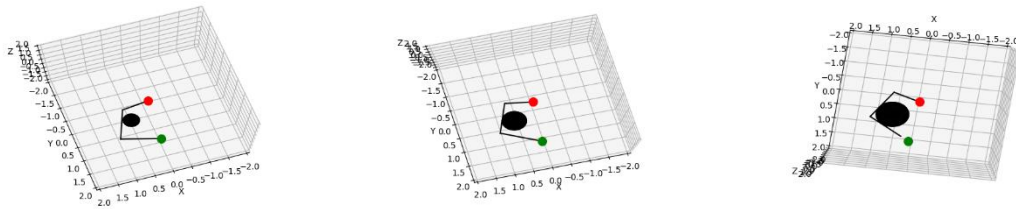


Fig. 3: $r=0.2$ (left), 0.3 (mid), 0.4 (right)

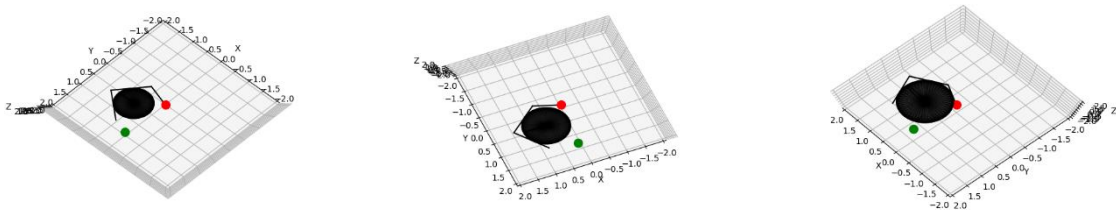


Fig. 4: $r=0.5$ (left), 0.6 (mid), 0.7 (right)

However, this does not mean that with a large obstacle the arm can never reach the goal position. Basically, the optimization is not a quadratic form, which means the initialization matters since

different initial states will converge to different local optimum. Now based on the observation we can change the initial state to $q_0 = [1.7, 0, 0]$, and the new result is presented below.

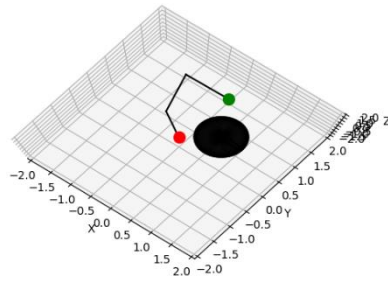


Fig. 5: $r=0.5$, $q_0 = [1.7, 0, 0]$