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Path Planning Algorithm: Improved Rapidly-exploring Random Tree

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Improved Rapidly Exploring Random Tree with Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion for Offline Path Planning of Mobile Robot

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Rapidly Exploring Random Tree*

- RRT* is a random sampling tree structure search algorithm.

Algorithm 1 RRT* Algorithm

Initialize q_{start} and q_{goal}
for $i < MaxIteration$ **do**
  $q_{rand} \leftarrow$ random node $(0 - X_{max}, 0 - Y_{max})$
  $q_{near} \leftarrow$ find nearest node from Tree
  if obstacle free between q_{near} and q_{new} **then**
    $q_{new} \leftarrow$ steer from q_{near}
    Find minimum cost from q_{min} and q_{new} in radius of R
    Add q_{new} to Tree
  if distance between q_{new} and $q_{goal} \leq D$ **then**
    Stop iteration
Return Tree

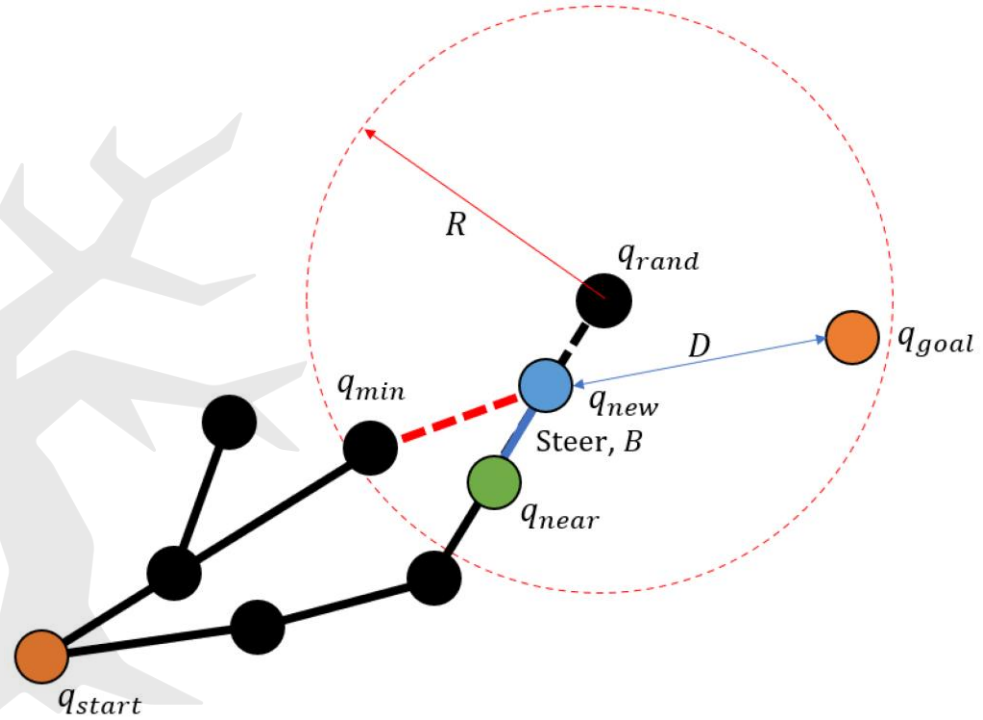
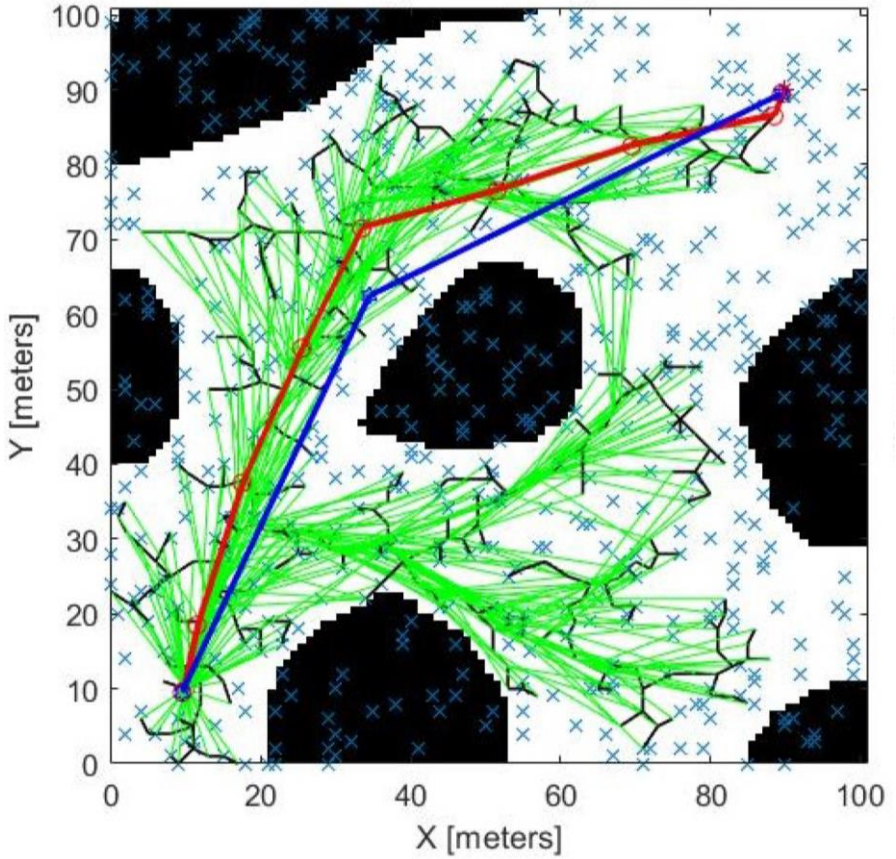


Illustration of RRT* Algorithm

Unusable Node

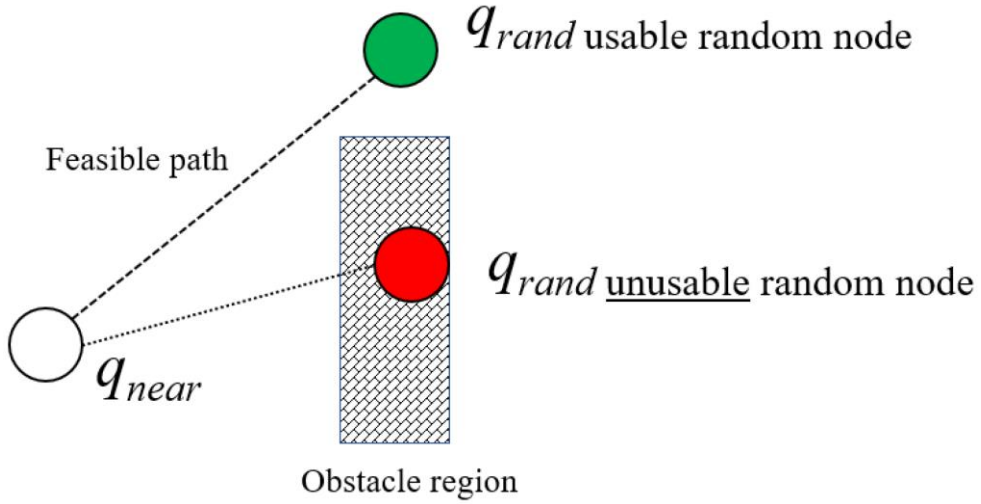
- Unusable nodes are the random nodes that fall into the obstacle regions.
- These nodes are not useful for iteration



Traditional RRT* (green)

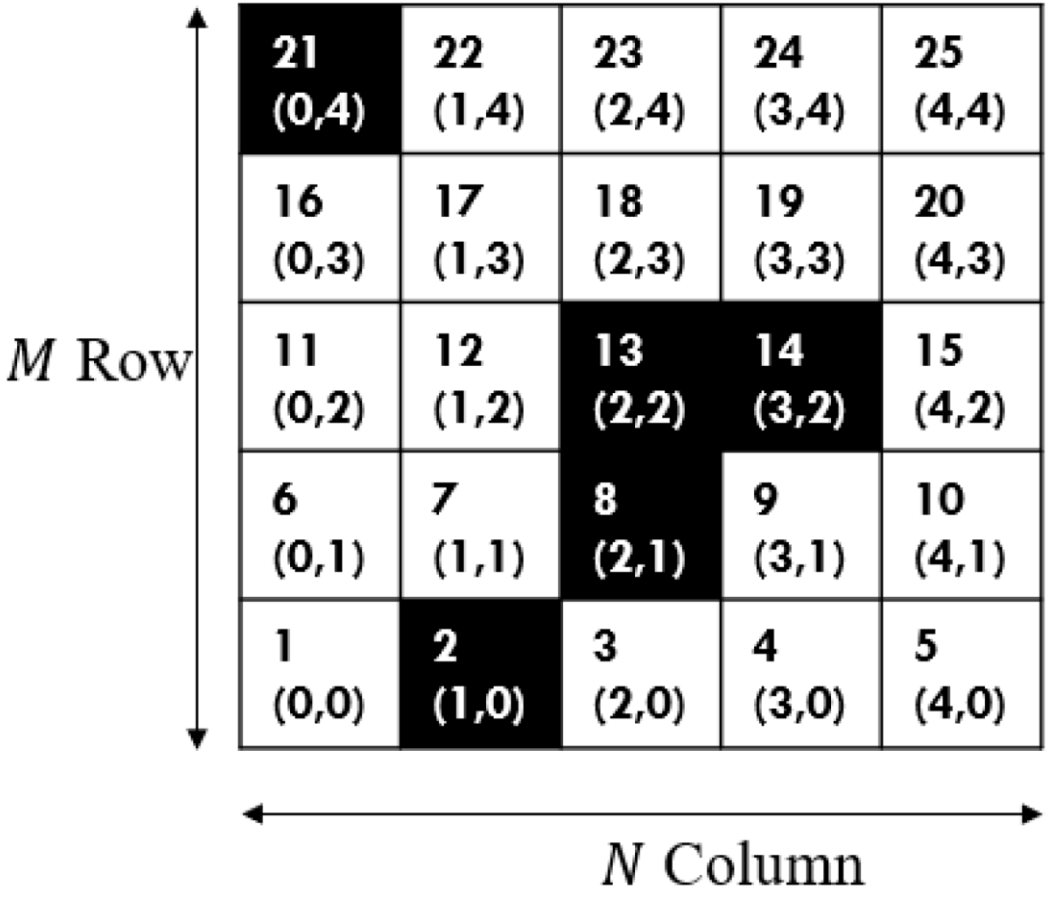
Unusable Nodes

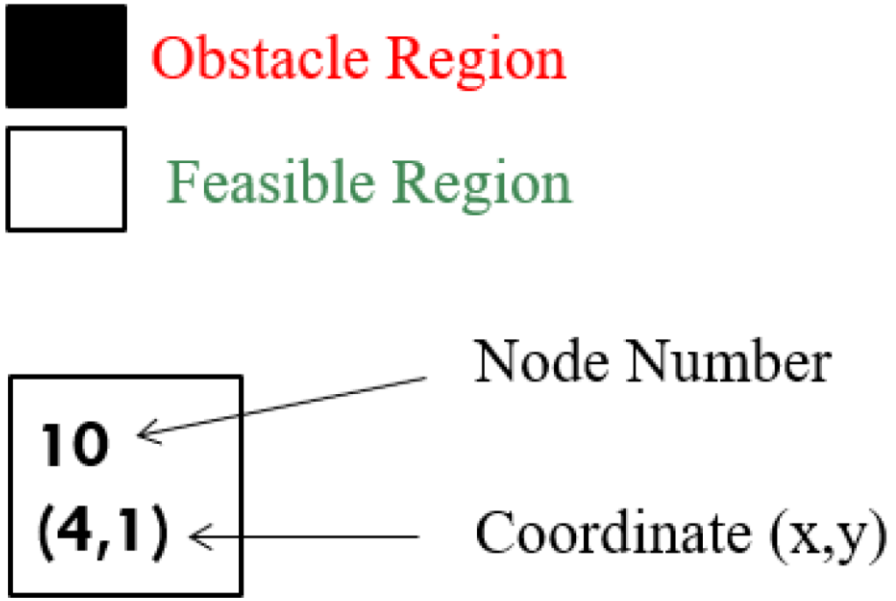
- The number of generated unusable nodes is over 40% of RRT*.
- The main idea to improve the efficiency of the RRT* algorithm is to reduce the unusable nodes from the iteration and let the iteration flow continue with only usable nodes.



Unusable Node

Global Environment





Improved Algorithm

Algorithm 2 Improved RRT* with Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion Algorithms

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Map = ReadMap from file (.bmp)
randMap = StretchMap from maxtrix to row vector
for i < Length(randMap) do
    if randMap(i) is an obstacle region then
        Delete randMap(i) from randMap vector
Initialize q_start and q_goal
for i < MaxIteration do
    q_rand ← random node randMap
    q_near ← find nearest node from Tree
    if obstacle free between q_near and q_new then
        q_new ← steer from q_near
        Find minimum cost from q_min and q_new in radius of R
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    if distance between q_new and q_goal ≤ D then
        Stop iteration
Return Tree
Define Path as a Bacterium
for i < size of bacterium do
    Bacterial Mutation
Return Fine-tuned Bacterium
for i < size of bacterium do
    Node Deletion
Return Final Path
End
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21 (0,4)	22 (1,4)	23 (2,4)	24 (3,4)	25 (4,4)
16 (0,3)	17 (1,3)	18 (2,3)	19 (3,3)	20 (4,3)
11 (0,2)	12 (1,2)	13 (2,2)	14 (3,2)	15 (4,2)
6 (0,1)	7 (1,1)	8 (2,1)	9 (3,1)	10 (4,1)
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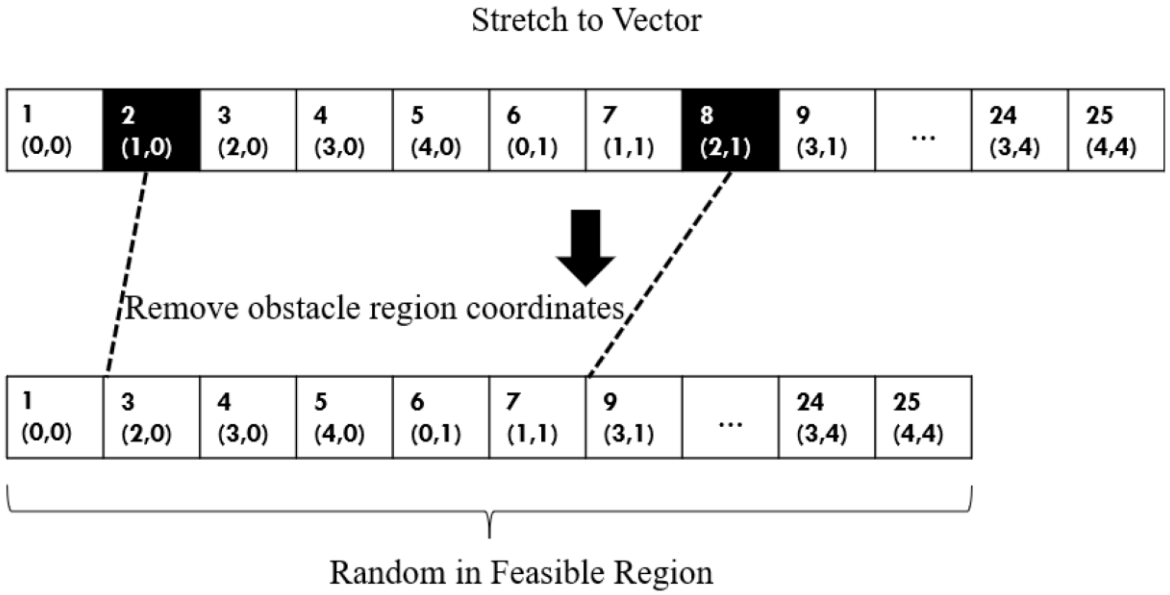
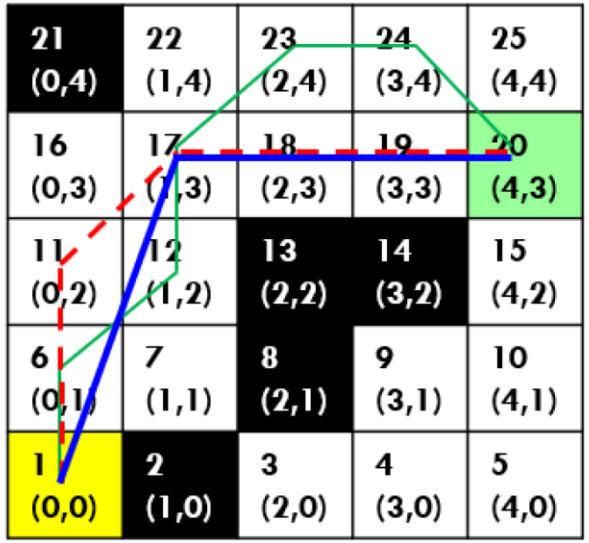


Post-processing Algorithm



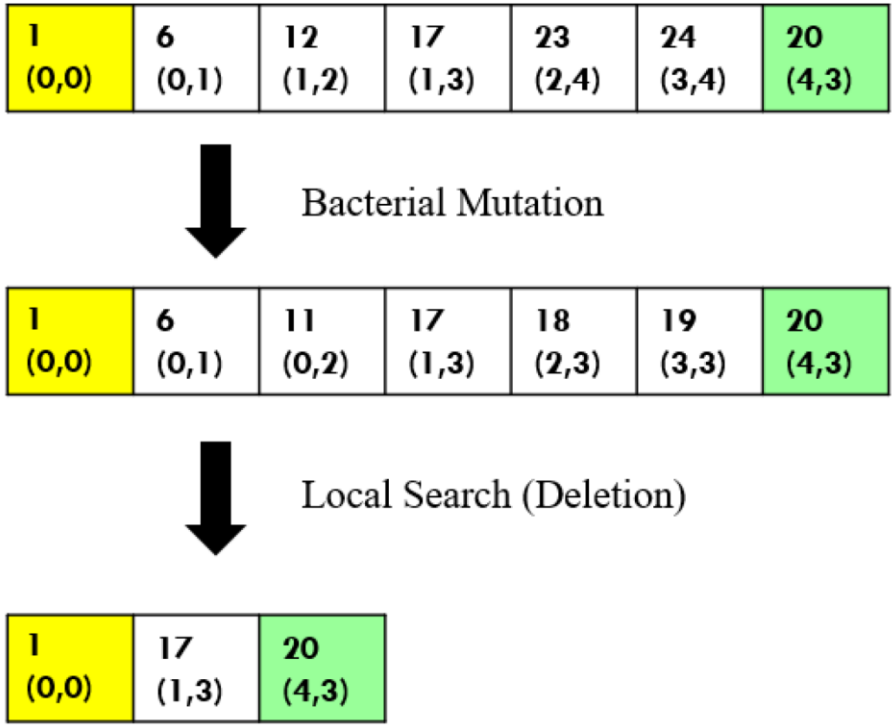
Starting Node

Goal Node

The solution from Improved RRT*
Define as Bacterium
(Green Path)

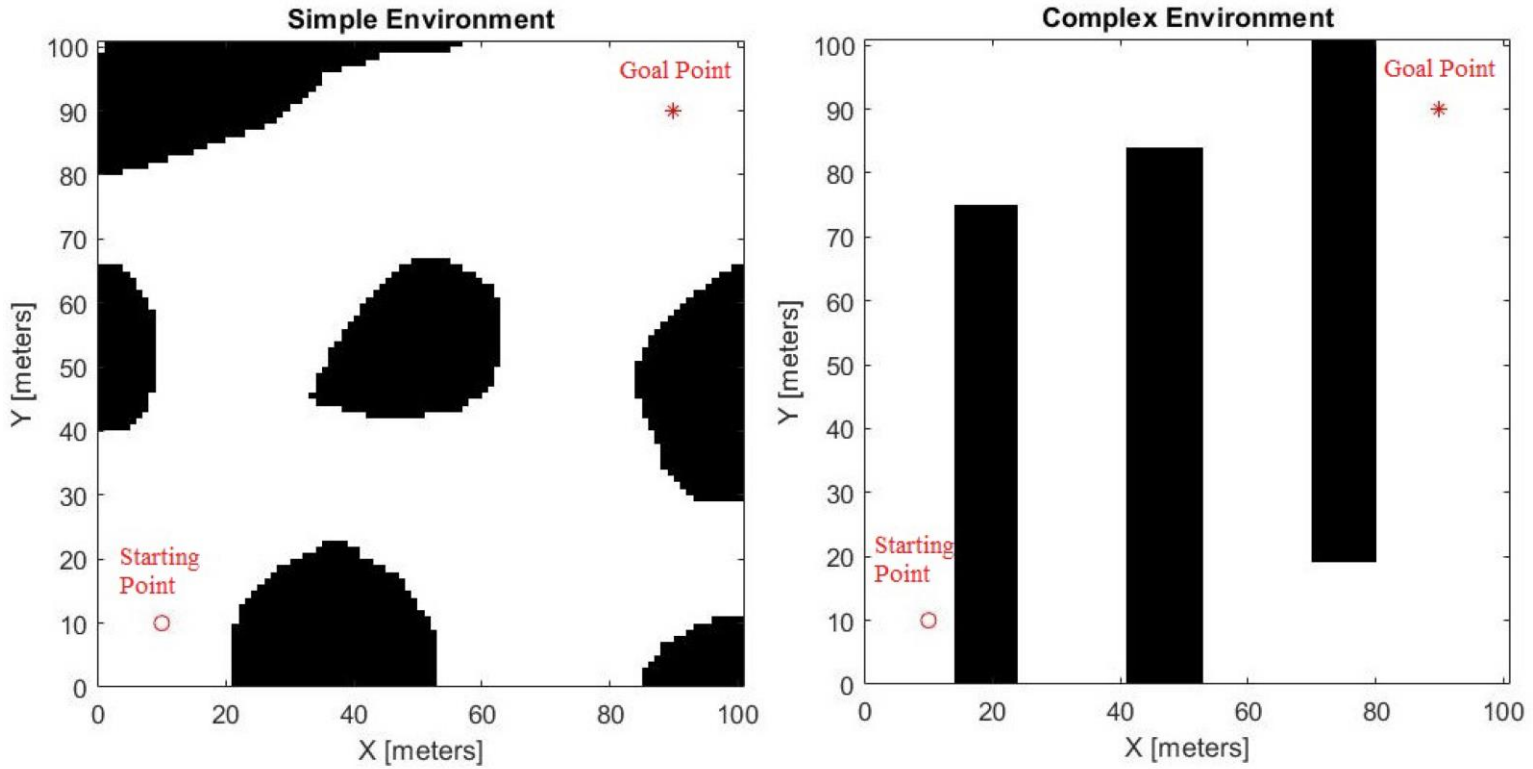
After bacterial mutation process
(Red Path)

Final Solution
(Blue Path)



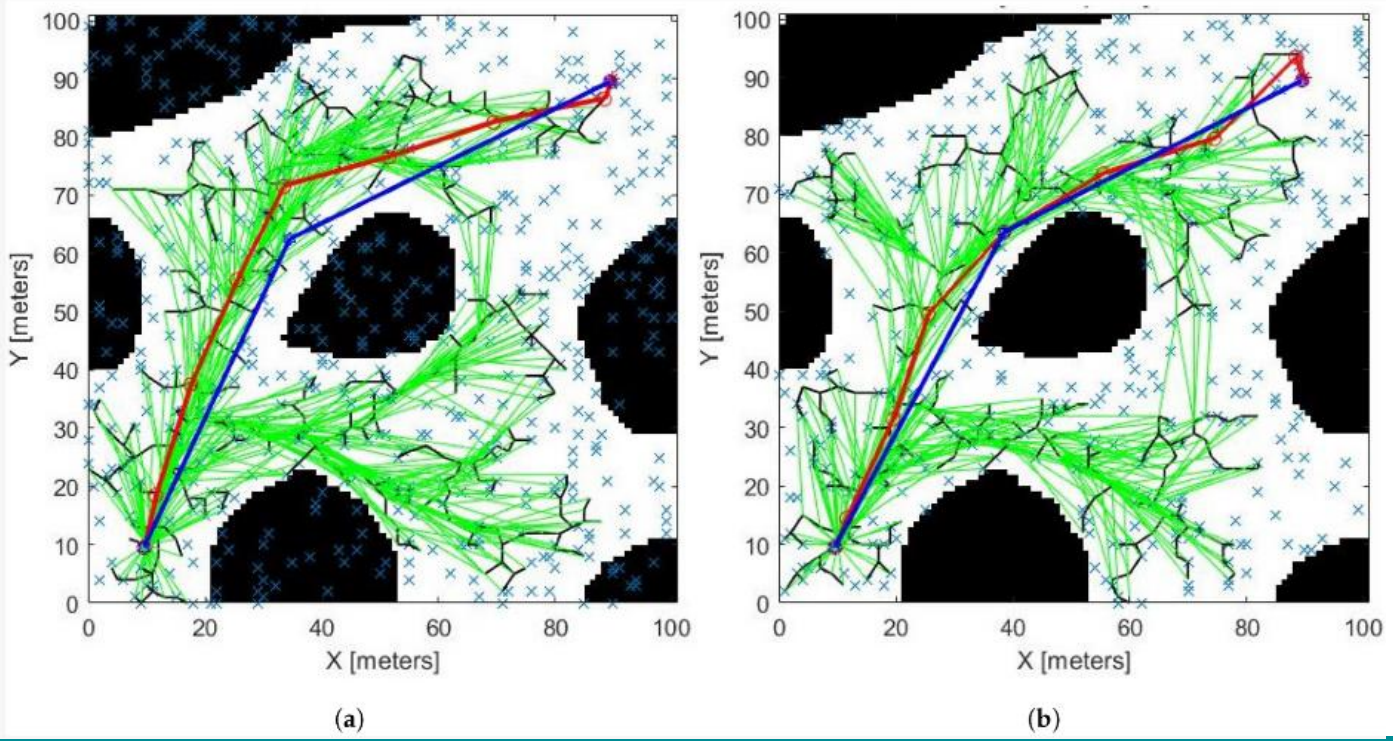
Experimental Results

- Global Environment



Experimental Results

Simple global environment results. (**a**) Traditional RRT* (red) Traditional RRT* with bacterial mutation and Node Deletion algorithm (blue); (**b**) proposed RRT* (red); proposed RRT* with Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion algorithm (blue).



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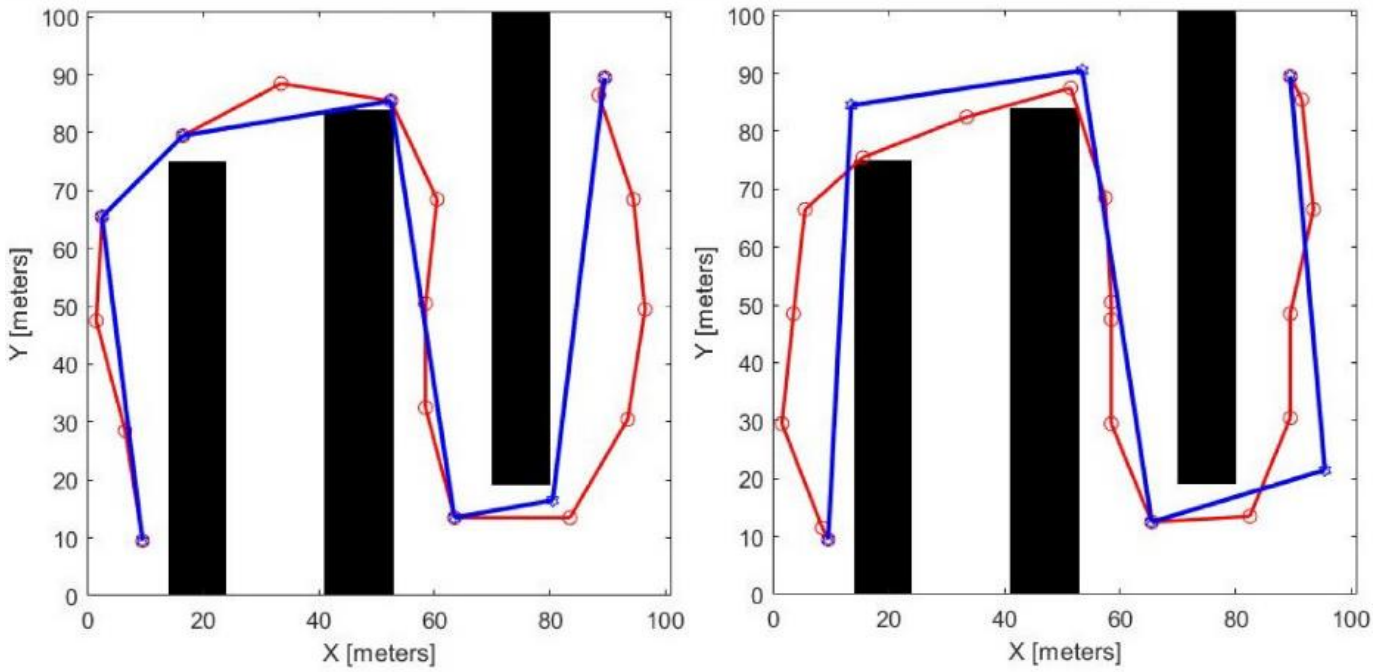

A Rapidly-Exploring Random Tree Algorithm by Reducing Random Map Size

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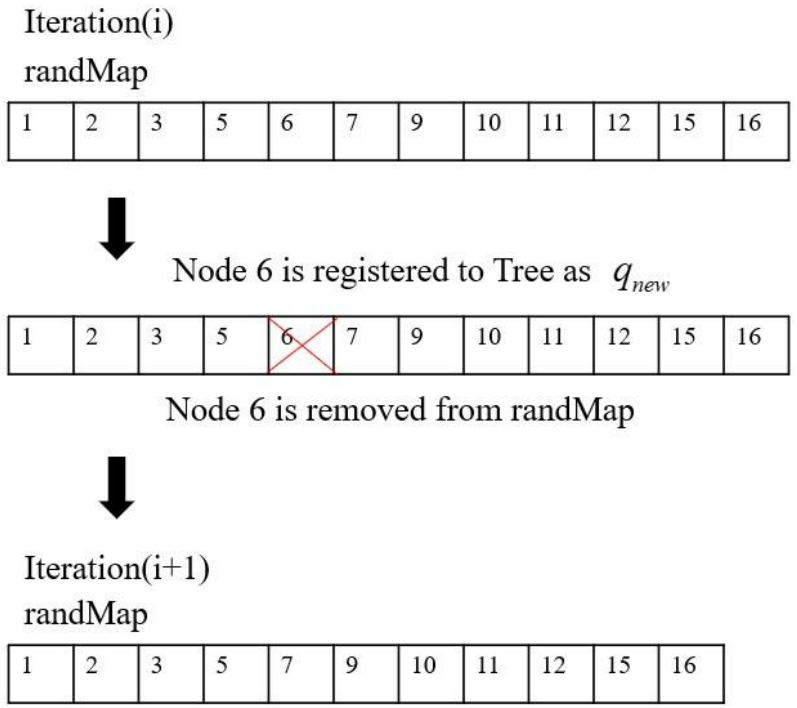
Improved Algorithm

- An Improvement for Improved Algorithm for Path Planning Task of Mobile Robot
- To avoid the density of random nodes and improve the exploration of the algorithm



Algorithm 3 Improvement Algorithm

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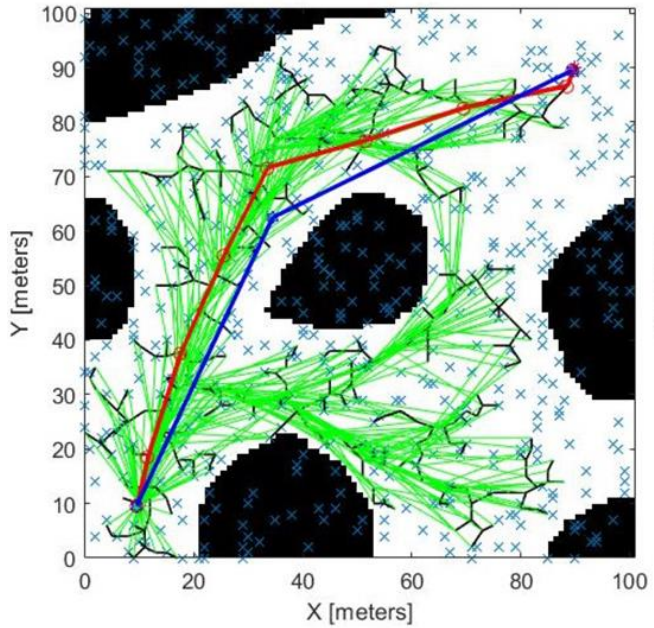
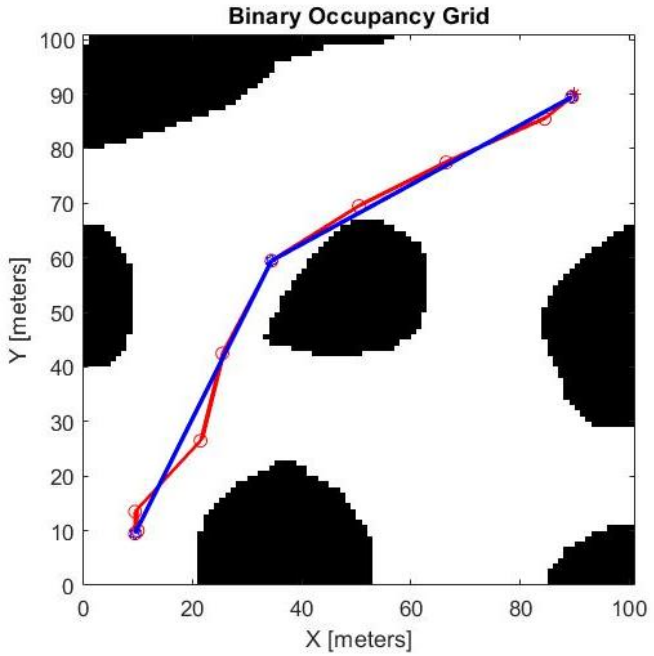
Experimental Results

- We combined the improvement algorithm with the Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion algorithms

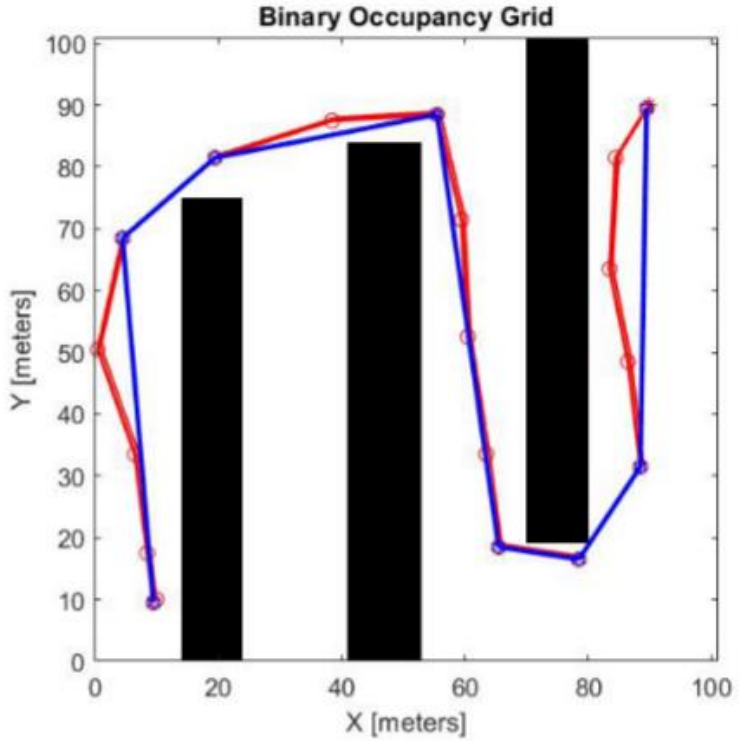
Proposed RRT* (red);
Journal Paper





Proposed RRT* (red)
Proposed RRT* with Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion Algorithms (blue);
Conference Paper

Experimental Results of Complex Environment



(b) Proposed RRT* with Reduced Random Map Size

Proposed RRT* (red)
Proposed RRT* with Bacterial Mutation and Node Deletion Algorithms (blue);
Conference Paper

Computational Results

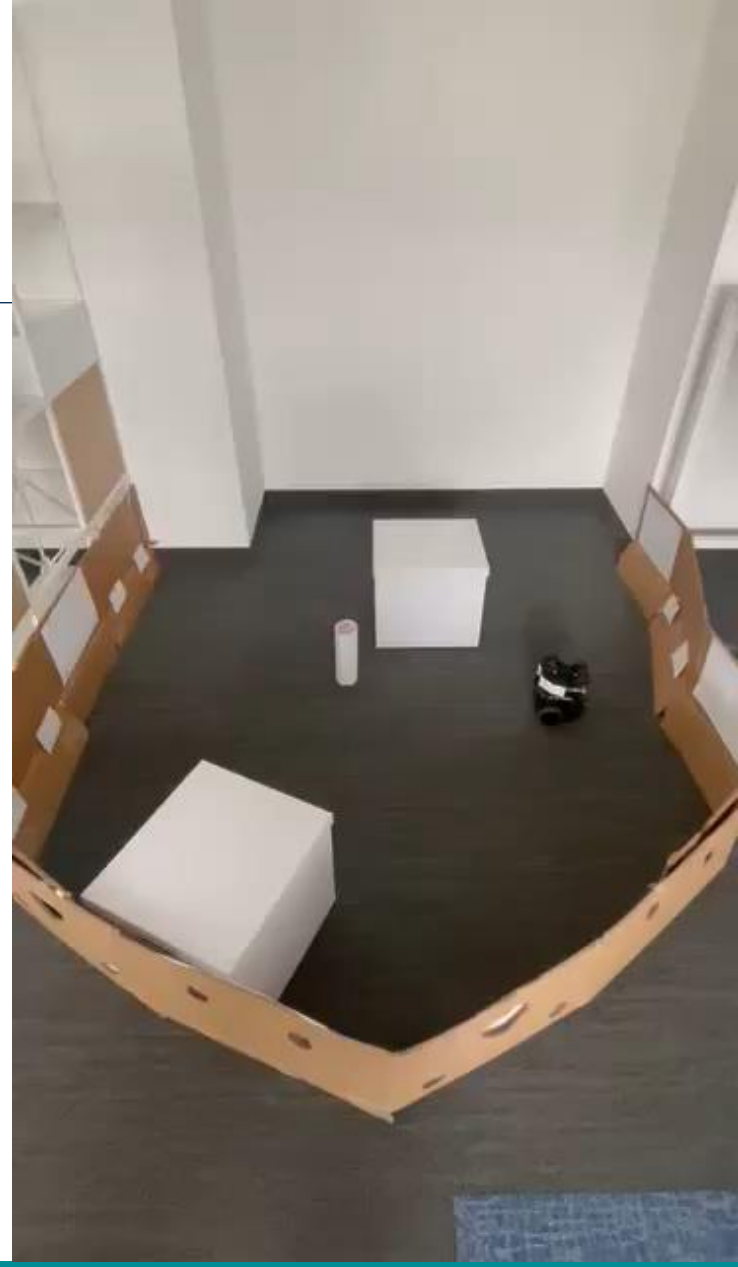
Journal

Conference

Results	Traditional RRT*	Improved RRT*	Proposed RRT*	BiRRT
Simple Environment				
Iterations	609	353	152	41
Path Length	120	120	120	141
Computational Time (s)	2.520	1.808	1.455	0.578
Complex Environment				
Iterations	2791	1835	1423	614
Path Length	274	270	264	315
Computational Time (s)	16.152	13.539	10.395	5.960

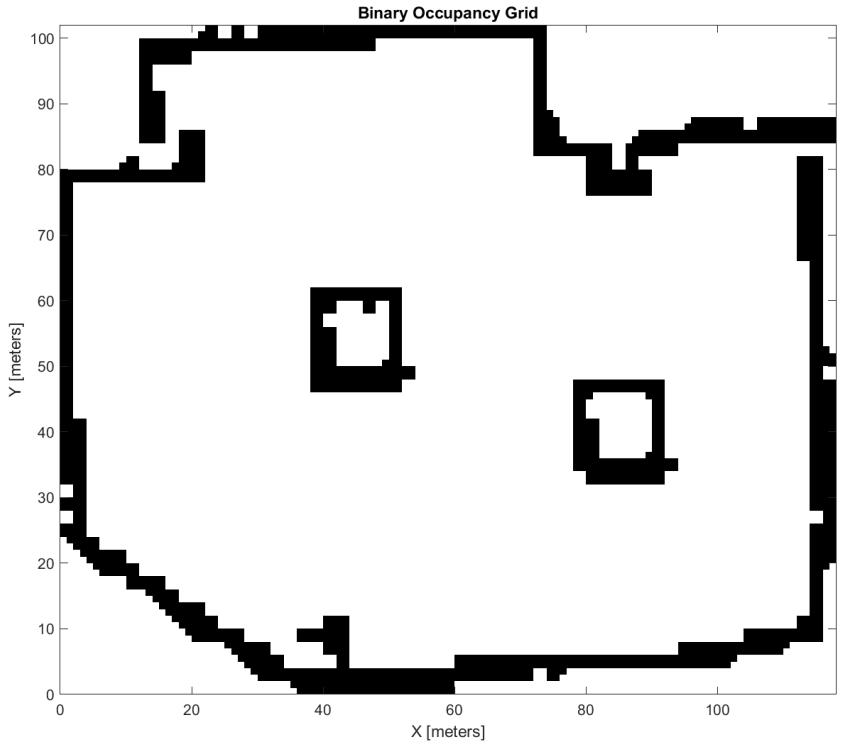
Implementing to Real Robot

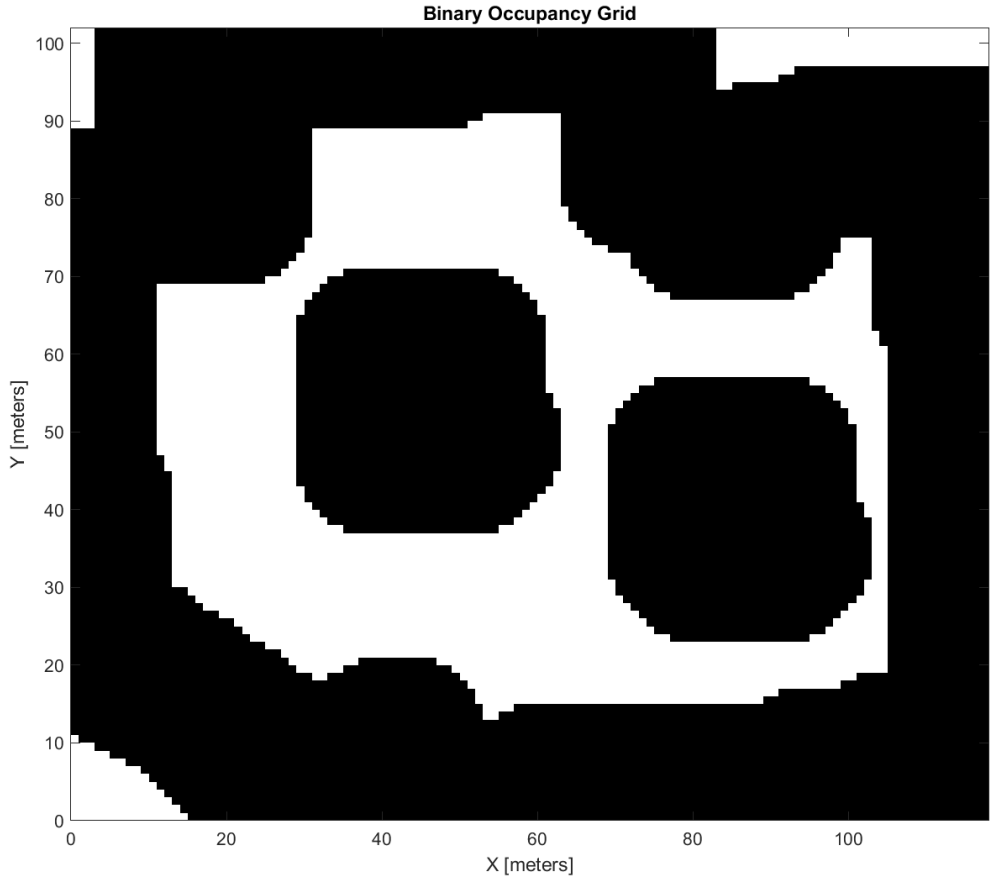
- The path planning result from a post-processing algorithm was sent to TurtleBot3-Burger by MATLAB programming via Robot Operating System.



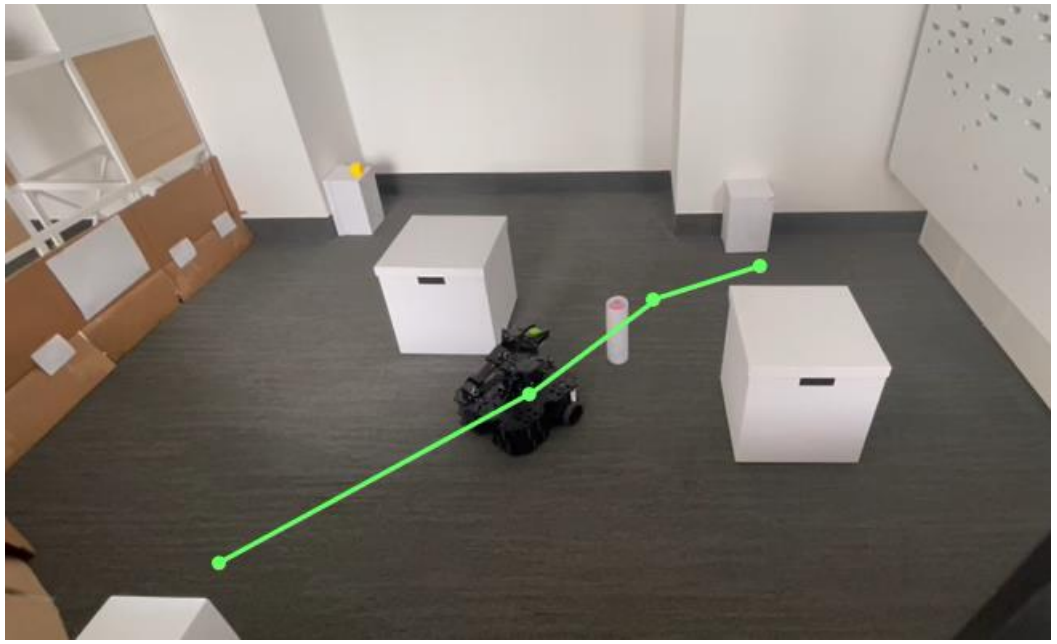
Unknown Static Obstacle Avoidance

- Map Generating from SLAM

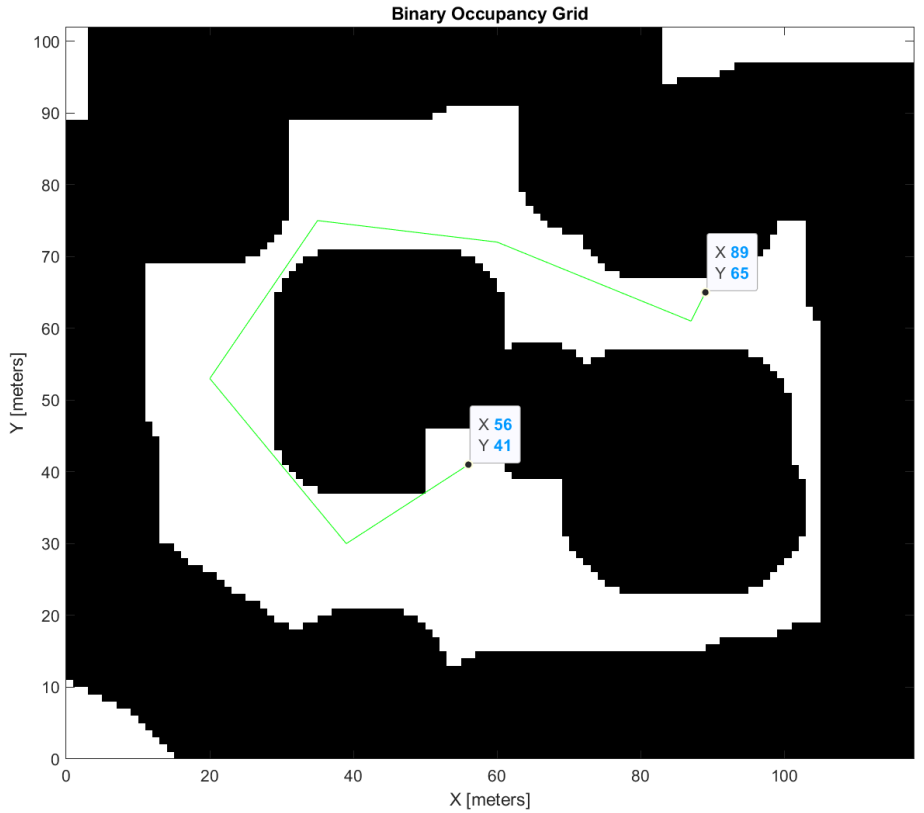




Result: Store to Station 1

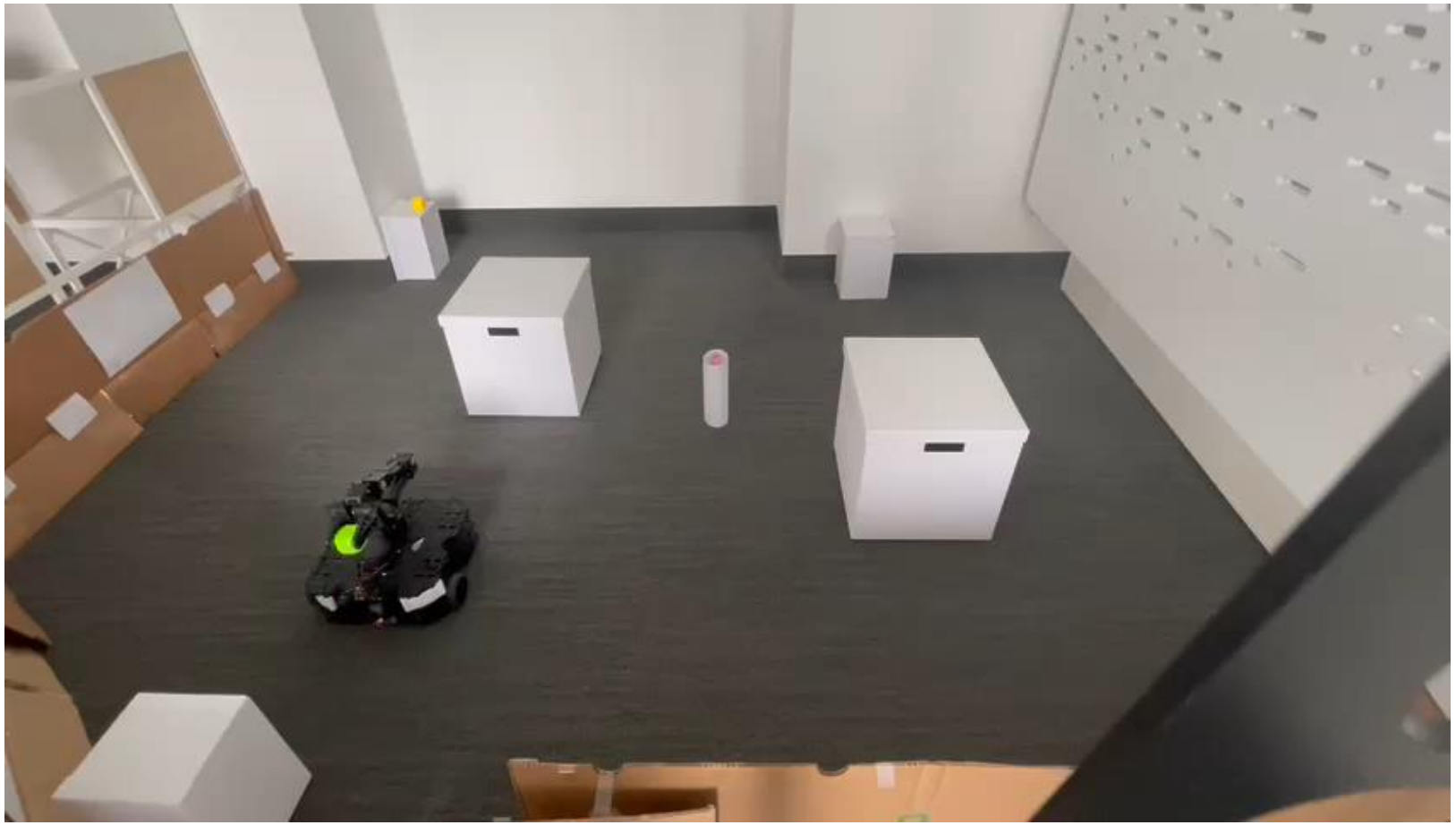


First Path Planning Result



New Path Planning

Result: Store to Station 1



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