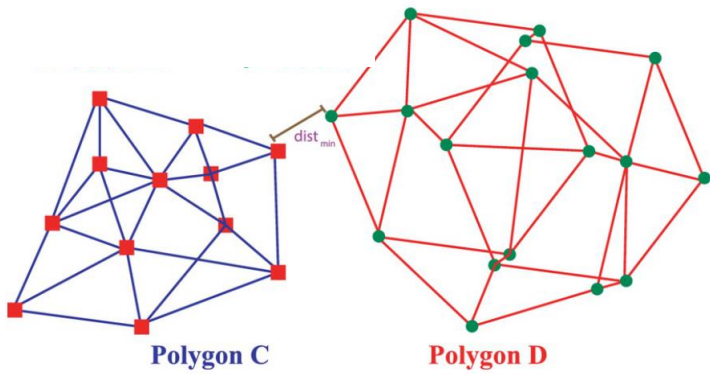


GraphDistNet: A Graph-based Collision-distance Estimator for Gradient-based Trajectory Optimization

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Motivation



- **Collision detection**

- **Geometric Algorithm**

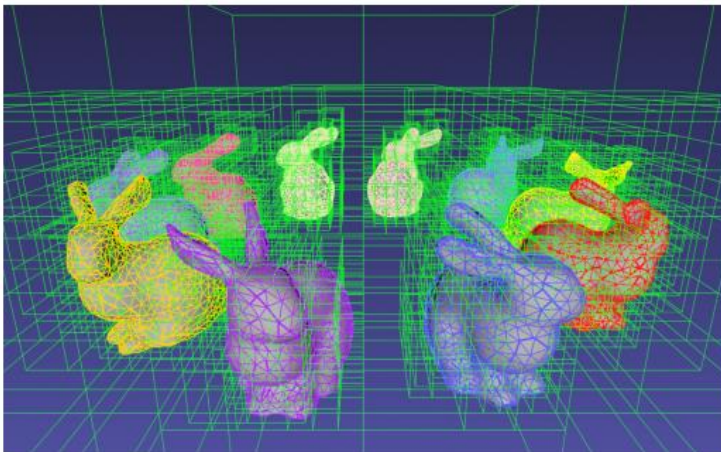
ex) GJK algorithm

time and space consuming

- **Data-driven Algorithm**

ex) configuration-based, point cloud - based

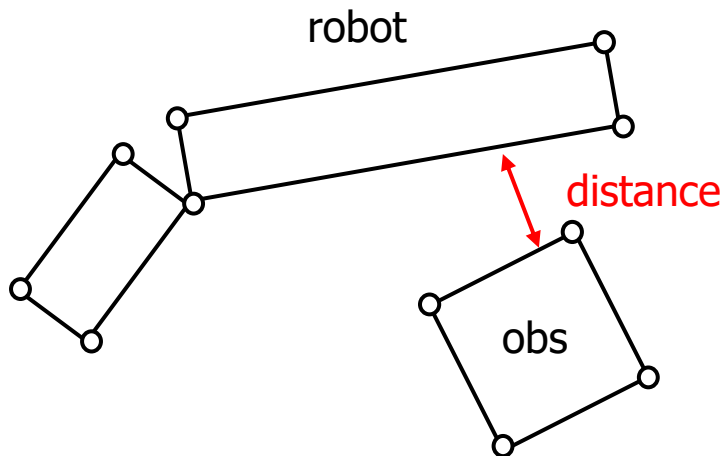
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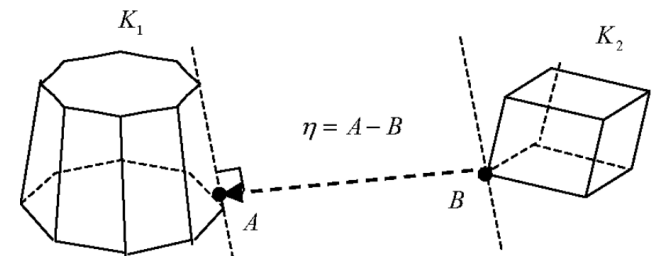
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: **Graph neural networks**-based collision distance estimator for **trajectory optimization**

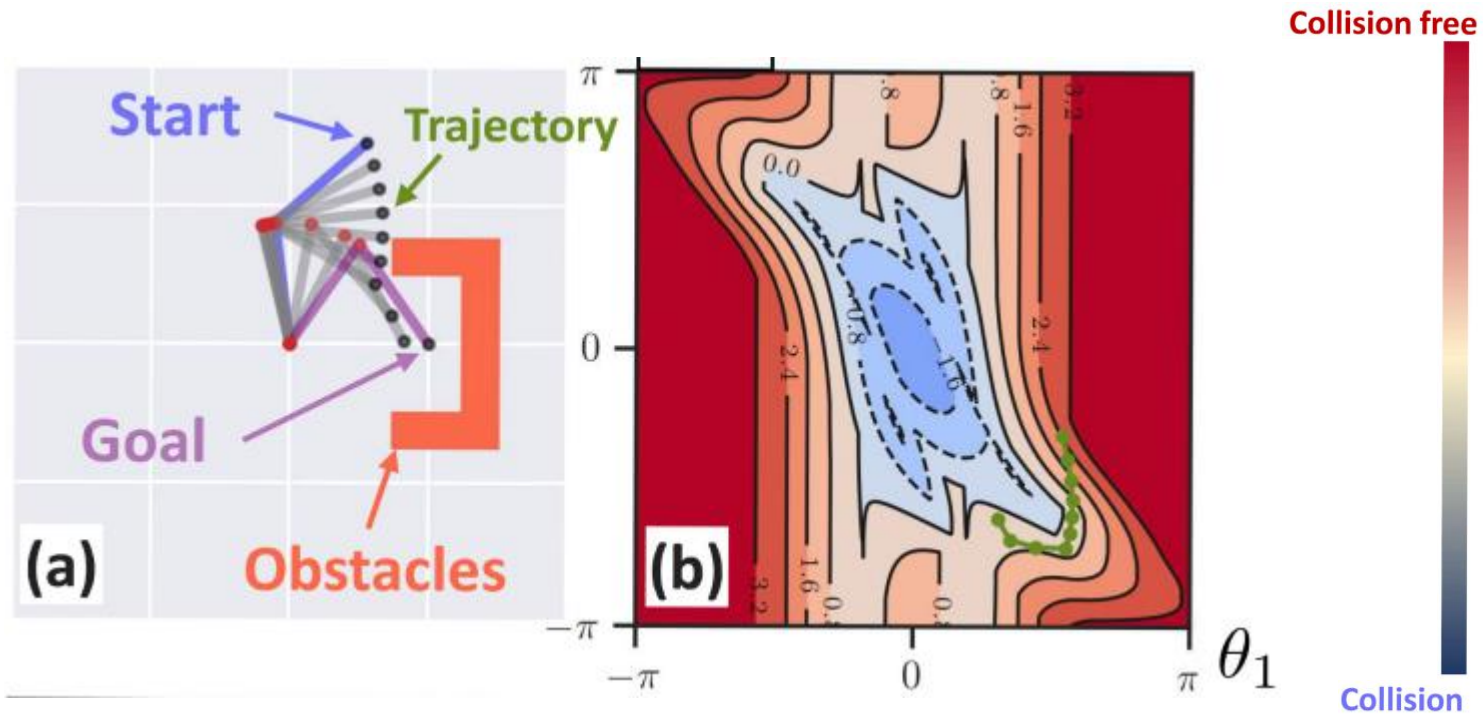


- **Estimated distance**
- **Calculating collision gradient**



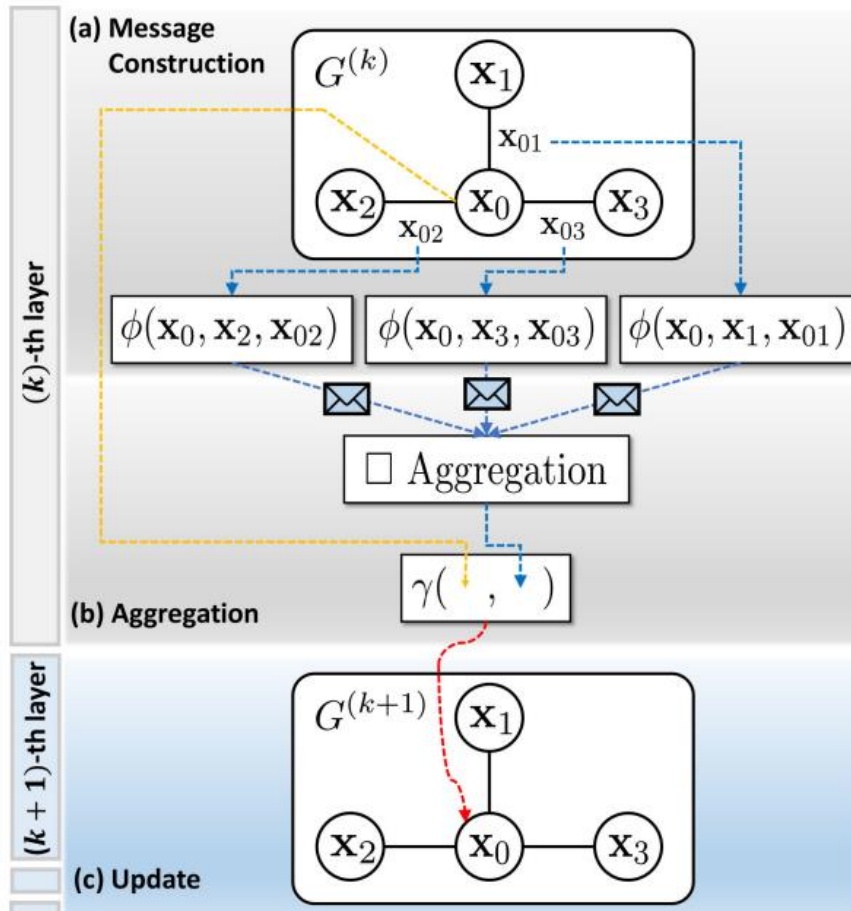
Background

- Trajectory optimization



Background

• Graph Neural Network



$$G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{X})$$

$$+ \text{edge features } \mathbf{x}_{ij} = h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

Aggregation method
: **message passing**

- 1) Each node v_i computes a message ϕ
- 2) Each node aggregates the messages \square using sum or average operations
- 3) Each node updates the node feature γ using aggregated message and current

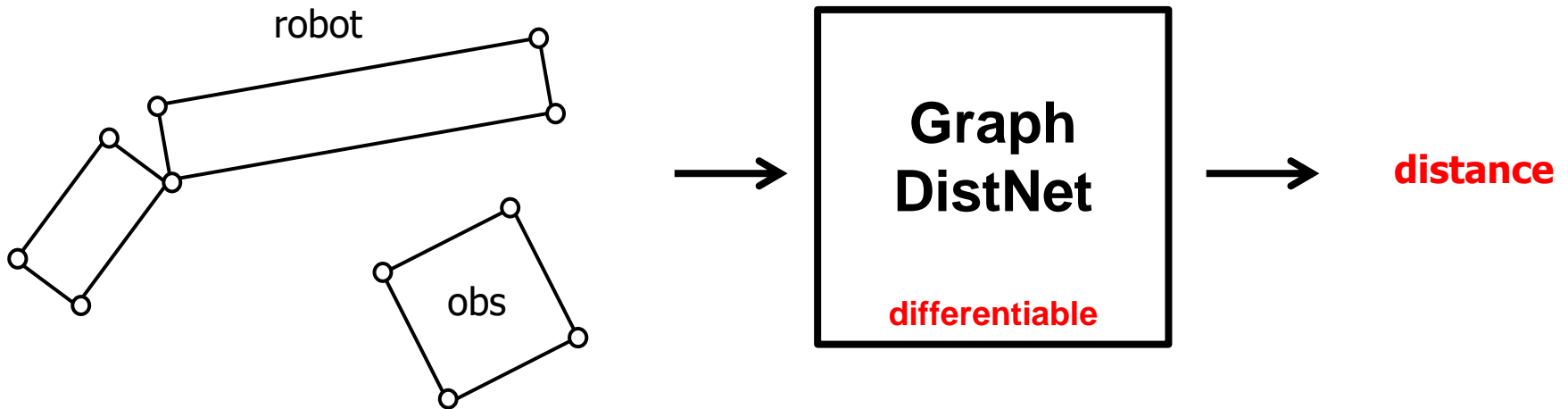
$$\mathbf{x}_i^{(k+1)} = \gamma \left(\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)}, \square_{j:(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} \phi \left(\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{ij}^{(k)} \right) \right)$$

γ, ϕ : MLPs

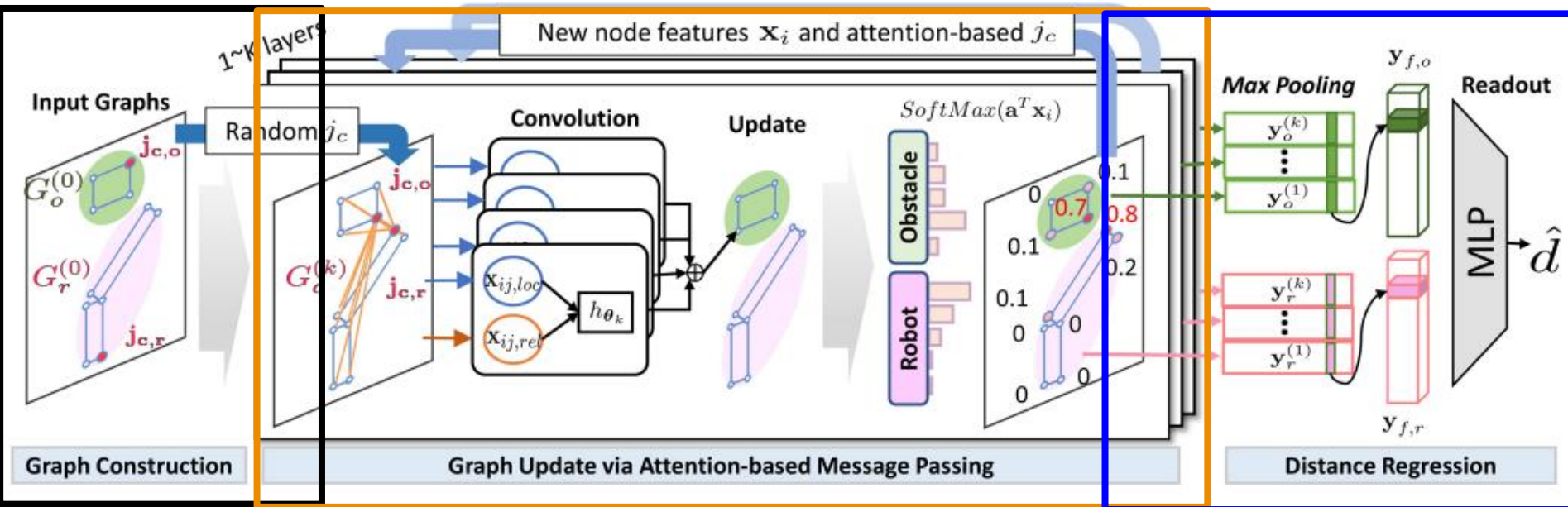
Method

GraphDistNet

: Graph neural networks-based collision distance estimator for trajectory optimization



Method : GraphDistNet



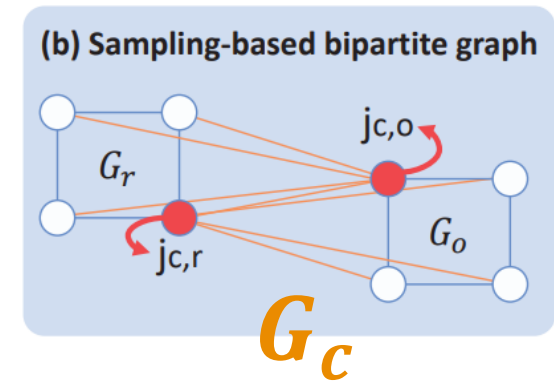
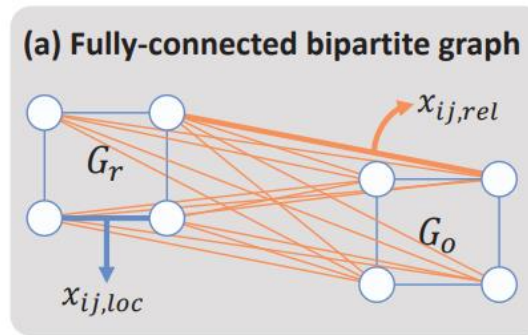
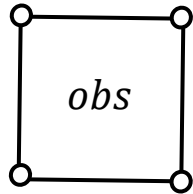
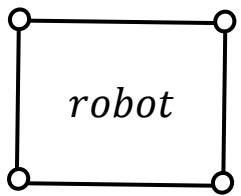
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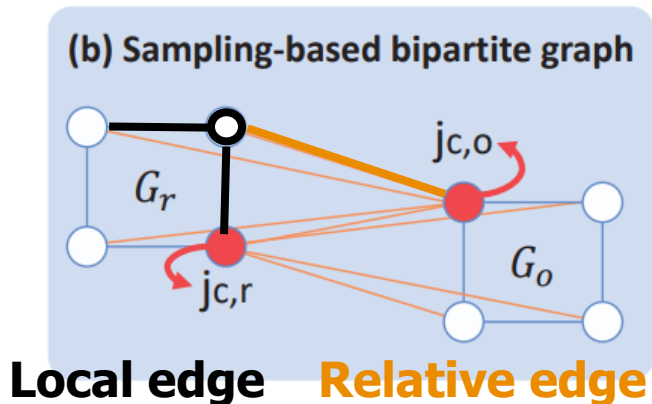


Randomly select j_c

j_c : informative node

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2. Graph Update via Attention-based Message Passing



Update graph : $G_u^{(1)}, G_u^{(2)}, G_u^{(3)} \dots G_u^{(k)}$

$$\mathbf{x}_i^{(k+1)} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{ro}(i) \cup \{i\}} h_{\theta_k}^{(k)} \left(\mathbf{x}_{ij,loc}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{ij_c,rel}^{(k)} \right)$$

$h_{\theta_k}^{(k)}$: MLP-based encoder

* Node feature x_i : cartesian coordinate.

* Edge feature $\mathbf{x}_{ij}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0)} - \mathbf{x}_i^{(0)} \right) & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0)} - \mathbf{x}_i^{(0)} \parallel \mathbf{x}_j^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}_i^{(k)} \right) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$

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After each convolution,

$$G_u^{(1)}, G_u^{(2)}, G_u^{(3)} \dots$$

New j_c^2 New j_c^3

Reselect most informative j_c by introducing **attention-based selection method**.

Attention score

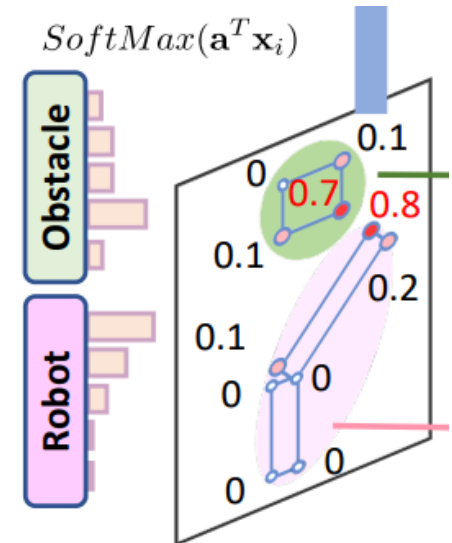
$$\mathbf{a}^{(k)T} \mathbf{x}_i^{(k)}$$

Vector of trainable parameter in attention mechanism

Attention weights

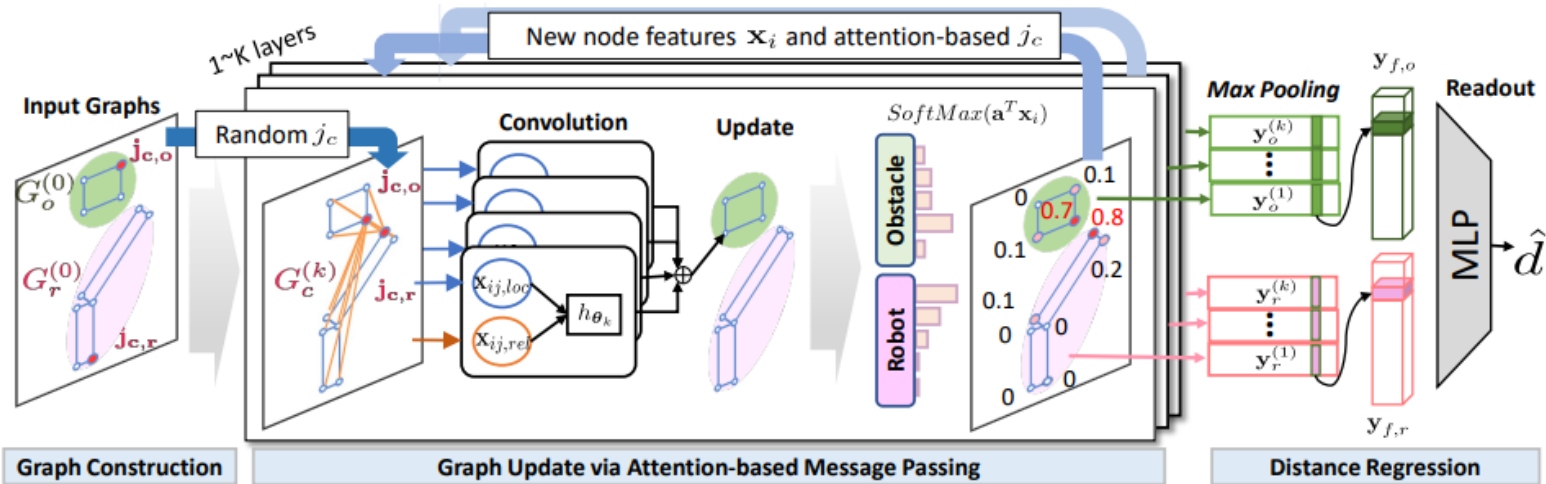
$$\alpha_{i_r}^{(k)} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{a}^{(k)T} \mathbf{x}_{i_r}^{(k)})}{\sum_{j_r} \exp(\mathbf{a}^{(k)T} \mathbf{x}_{j_r}^{(k)})}$$

$$\alpha_{i_o}^{(k)} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{a}^{(k)T} \mathbf{x}_{i_o}^{(k)})}{\sum_{j_o} \exp(\mathbf{a}^{(k)T} \mathbf{x}_{j_o}^{(k)})}$$



Method

3. Collision-distance and gradient Estimation



Attention weighted feature

$$\mathbf{y}_r^{(k)} = f_{LR} \left(\sum_{i_r} \alpha_{i_r} \mathbf{x}_{i_r}^{(k)} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_h},$$

$$\mathbf{y}_o^{(k)} = f_{LR} \left(\sum_{i_o} \alpha_{i_o} \mathbf{x}_{i_o}^{(k)} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_h},$$

Leaky-ReLU

$$\hat{d} = MLP \left(\underbrace{\left\| \max_k \mathbf{y}_r^{(k)}(i) \right\|}_{\mathbf{y}_{f,r}} \parallel \underbrace{\left\| \max_k \mathbf{y}_o^{(k)}(i) \right\|}_{\mathbf{y}_{f,o}} \right),$$

Evaluation

- We can use this as ...
 - **Binary Collision Checker**

$$\text{Is collision?} = \begin{cases} \text{True} & \text{if } \hat{d} \leq d_{margin}, \\ \text{False} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

- **Collision-gradient estimator**

$$\partial \text{GraphDistNet}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}$$

-> Gradient-based trajectory optimization

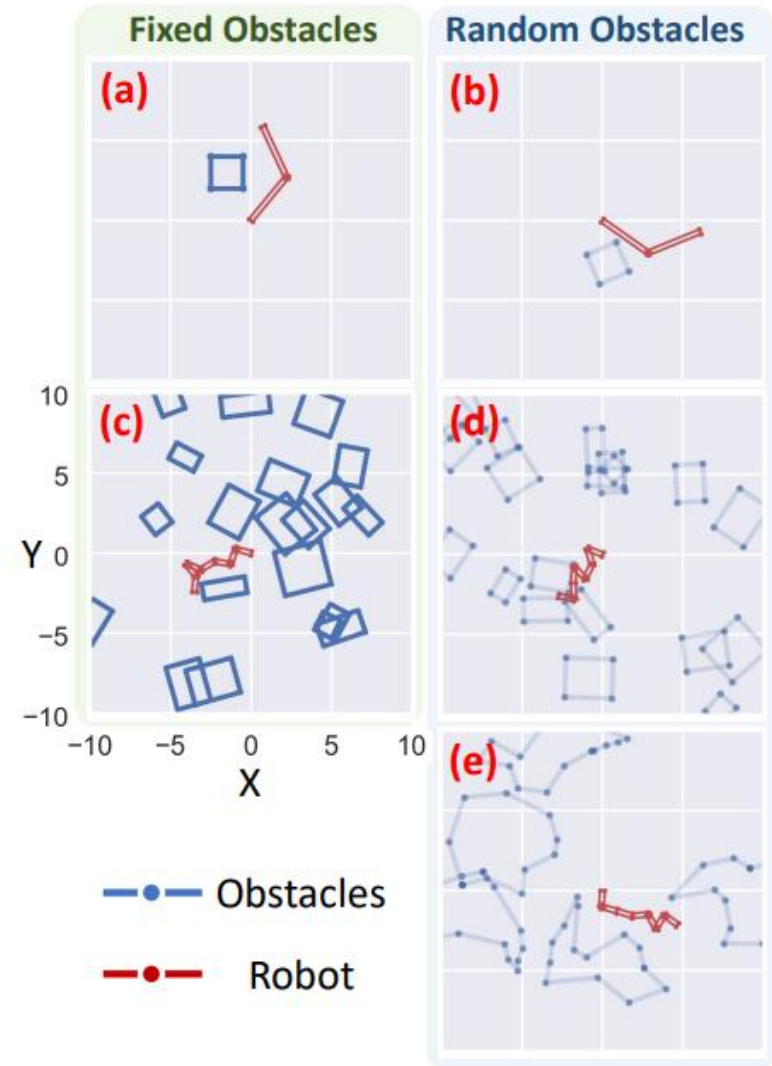
Evaluation

- **environments.**

- 2-DOF & 7-DOF
- Fixed Obstacles & Random Obstacles
- Shape of obstacle

- **Baselines.**

- DiffCo
- ClearanceNet
- FCL use as ground truth



Evaluation

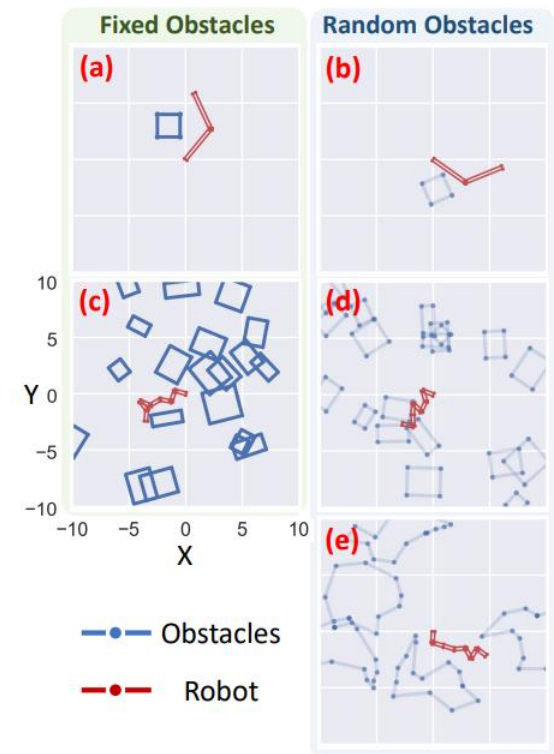
● Estimation performance

MAE : mean absolute error

AUC : area under the ROC
(receiver operating characteristic)

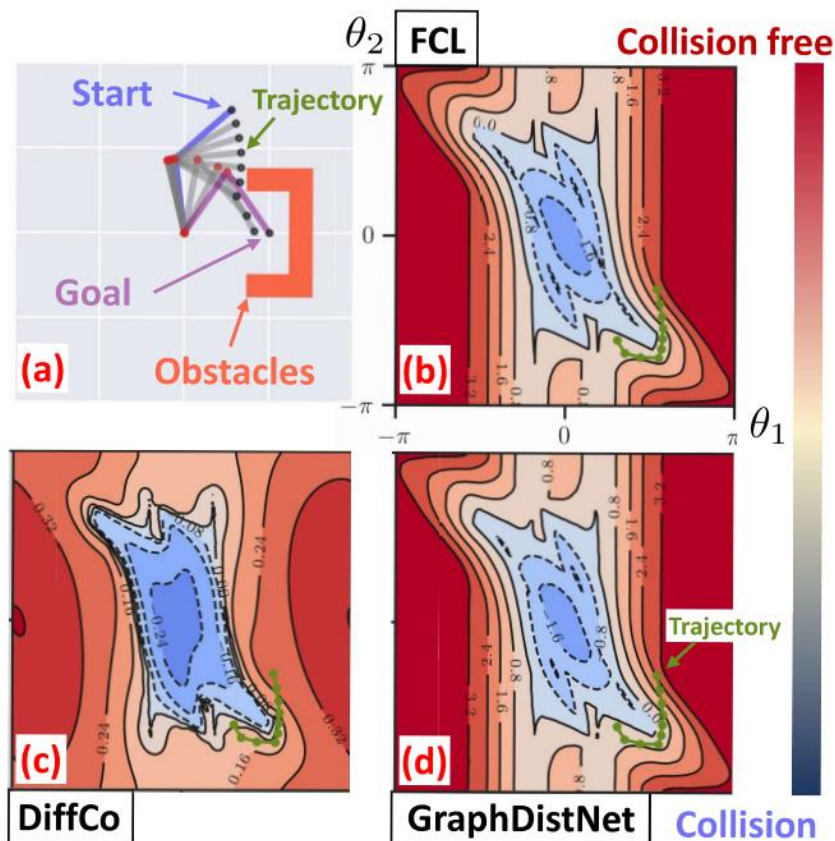
ACD : cosine distances of
estimated gradient fields.

Env.	Method	Distance Regression & Classification			Gradient Est.
		Elapsed Time (s)	MAE with p -value	AUC	ACD
Fig. 5 (a)	FCL	1.0653	-	-	-
	DiffCo	0.0048	N/A	1.0000	0.3575
	ClearanceNet	0.0009	0.0082	1.0000	0.0255
	GraphDistNet	0.0115	0.0031	1.0000	0.0054
			6×10^{-20}		
Fig. 5 (b)	FCL	1.1822	-	-	-
	DiffCo (w/o active learning)	0.0054	N/A	0.5031	1.0270
	DiffCo (w/ active learning)	2058.2	N/A	0.9948	0.4221
	ClearanceNet	0.0009	0.1732	0.9986	0.2853
GraphDistNet	0.0115	0.0390	0.9999	0.1748	
			2×10^{-12}		
Fig. 5 (c)	FCL	3.1573	-	-	-
	DiffCo	0.0740	N/A	0.9843	0.3202
	ClearanceNet	0.0012	0.2360	0.9111	0.5933
	GraphDistNet	0.0574	0.0253	0.9990	0.1458
			6×10^{-60}		
Fig. 5 (d)	FCL	4.4467	-	-	-
	DiffCo (w/o active learning)	0.0742	N/A	0.5239	0.9450
	DiffCo (w/ active learning)	75129.5	N/A	0.9798	0.3968
	ClearanceNet*	0.0012	0.7725	0.5691	0.9491
GraphDistNet	0.0546	0.1614	0.9842	0.4152	
			1×10^{-10}		
Fig. 5 (e)	FCL	6.8432	-	-	-
	DiffCo (w/o active learning)	0.0350	N/A	0.5200	0.9612
	DiffCo (w/ active learning)	(Failure: Out of Memory)			
	ClearanceNet*	0.0011	0.7479	0.8882	0.9767
GraphDistNet	0.1251	0.2446	0.9925	0.8421	
			3×10^{-2}		



Evaluation

- Gradient fields in 2-DoF



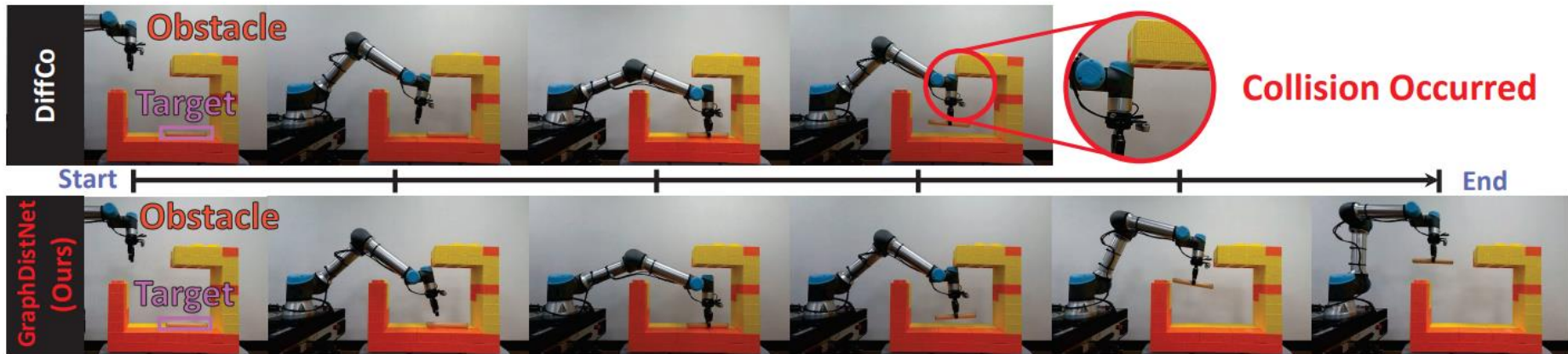
Evaluation

• Trajectory Optimization

Env.	Collision Checker	Avg. Elapsed Time (s)	Avg. Path Cost	Success Rate (%)
Simple env (b)	DiffCo	0.9304	23.7657	0.95
	ClearanceNet	1.7300	24.9018	1.0
	GraphDistNet	1.9522	24.4297	1.0
Complex env (d)	DiffCo	28.8247	99.0850	0.95
	ClearanceNet	10.9816	72.3153	0.4
	GraphDistNet	16.2682	65.0297	0.9
Fig. 1	DiffCo	0.6364	3.9×10^5	0.4
	ClearanceNet	1.9603	5.5×10^5	0.3
	GraphDistNet	3.2982	9.0×10^5	0.7

Evaluation

- **Demonstration**



Conclusion

- **Contribution**

- graph-based collision-distance estimation network,
that precisely regresses the collision distance between objects.
- accurate gradients and batch computation,
improving trajectory optimization
- robust to various to various environmental changes and unseen environments

Q & A

- **Thank you for listening 😊**

Quiz

Q1. List the sequence of GraphDistNet

- a) Graph updating via message passing
- b) Graph construction with j_0
- c) Distance regression

Q2. Which is NOT possible with GraphDistNet?

- a) estimating collision distance
- b) generating trajectory
- c) calculating gradient of distance