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Title: Motion planning in tori.

Abstract: Let X be a path-connected topological space. Viewing X as the space of configurations of a mechanical system, the motion planning problem from robotics consists of constructing an algorithm which takes as input pairs of configurations (A, B) in  $X \times X$ , and produces a continuous path in X from the initial configuration A to the terminal configuration B. For most spaces X, it is not possible to construct a globally continuous motion planning algorithm. So one divides the product space  $X \times X$  into "local domains" over which the motion planning problem can be solved continuously. The minimal number of local domains required is called the topological complexity of X. We compute this number for several natural subcomplexes of the n-dimensional torus.

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