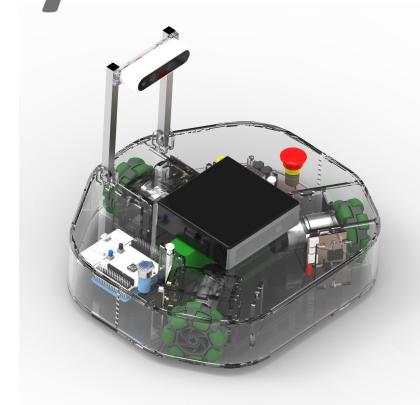




ROS Training for Industry



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Learning objectives

- 1) Introduce the **fundamental concepts** of ROS
- 2) Practical experience in setting up ROS and using its tools
- 3) Demonstrate how ROS interacts with real hardware

Learning outcomes:

- 1) knows ROS command line tools and syntax;
- 2) can implement publisher/subscriber structures for reading sensor data and controlling the robots;
- 3) can implement ROS-based solutions for most common robotics problems, e.g., coordinate transformation, path-planning, inverse kinematics, and collision-free motion planning;
- 4) able to use ROS packages for mapping and navigating using simulated and real robots.

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Agenda: Day 1 (16.09)

- 09:15 Welcome and System Setup
- 10:00 Linux Introduction and Shell Basics
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 Workshop: Linux & Shell
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00 ROS Introduction, Basic Concepts, ROS Filesystem
- 14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:45 Workshop
 - ROS Environment
 - Navigating ROS filesystem: rospack find, roscd, ...
 - Running ROS nodes
 - Teleop with Clearbot robots
- 17:00 End of Day 1

Agenda: Day 2 (17.09)

- 09:15 ROS Build/Debug/Visualization Tools
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:30 Workshop
 - Catkin workspace, ROS package, Creating a node
 - Publisher & Subscriber
 - Rqt & RViz Visualization
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00 ROS Programming: Messages, Services, Actions, Launch files
- 14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:45 Workshop:
 - Parameters & Launch files
 - Messages & Services
- 17:00 End of Day 2

Agenda: Day 3 (18.09)

- 09:15 Hardware & drivers
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:30 Workshop: Implementing ROS driver for Custom Hardware
 - Write driver for Arduino Sonar
 - Publish sonar range, IMU orientation, and visualize in RViz
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00 ROS Testing Tools & Continuous Integration
- 14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:45 Workshop
 - write tests and documentation for the ongoing package
 - 17:00 End of Day 3

Agenda: Day 4 (19.09)

- 09:15 **Transforms** in ROS, Gazebo
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:30 Workshop: **static TF, broadcaster** programming
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00 **Localization, Mapping, SLAM, Navigation** with **Path Planning**
- 14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:45 Workshop
 - 2D mapping in Gazebo simulation
 - 2D mapping and navigation with Clearbot
 - 3D mapping on ClearBot
- 17:00 End of Day 4

Agenda: Day 5 (20.09)

- 09:15 Robot Description (URDF), MoveIt!
- 10:00 Coffee Break
- 10:10 Workshop
 - MoveIt GUI
 - URDF
 - MoveIt Setup Assistant
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00 Workshop: MoveGroup C++ Interface
- 14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:45 Workshop: Motion planning with multiple robots
- 16:15 Conclusions, feedback, ROS2
- 17:00 End of Day 5

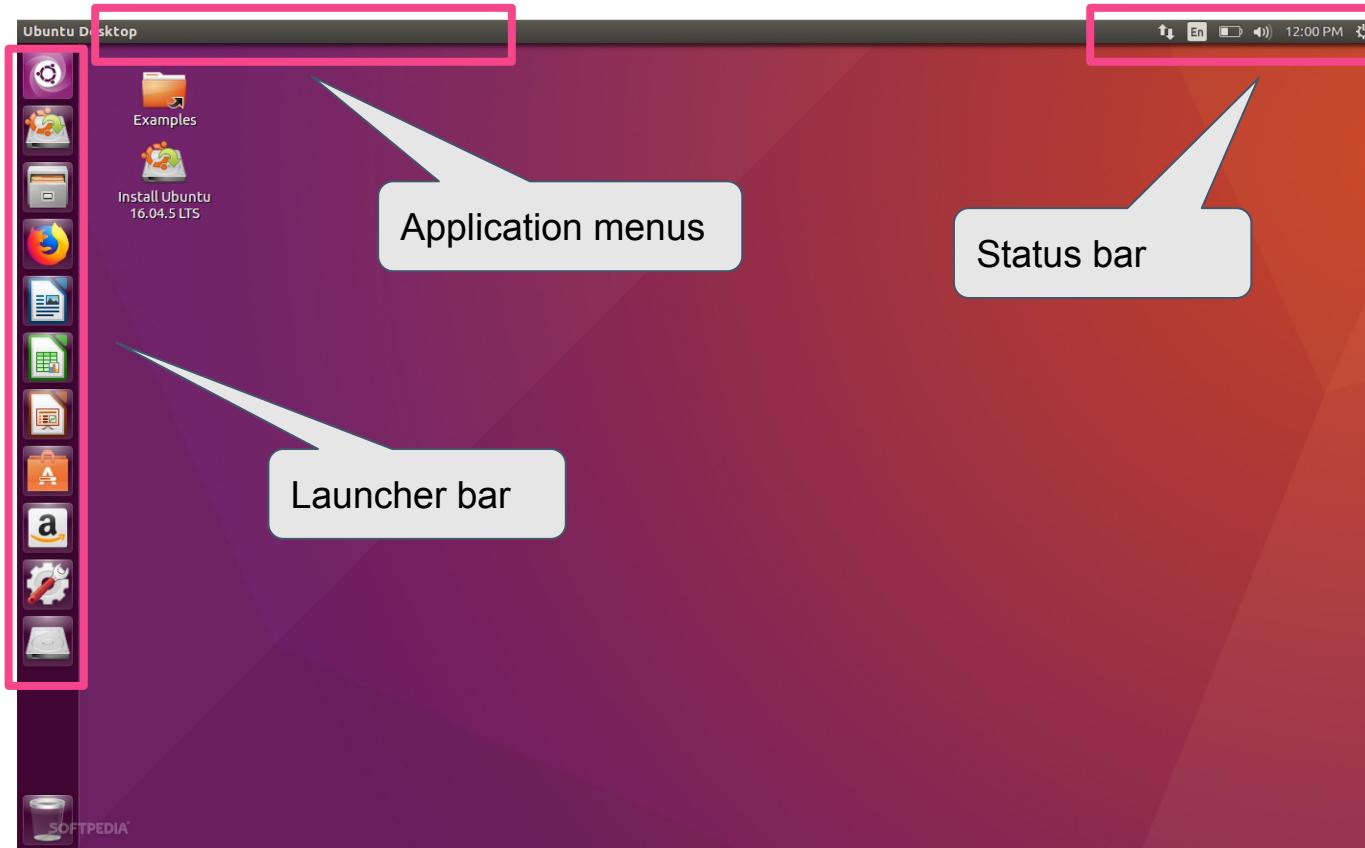


System setup

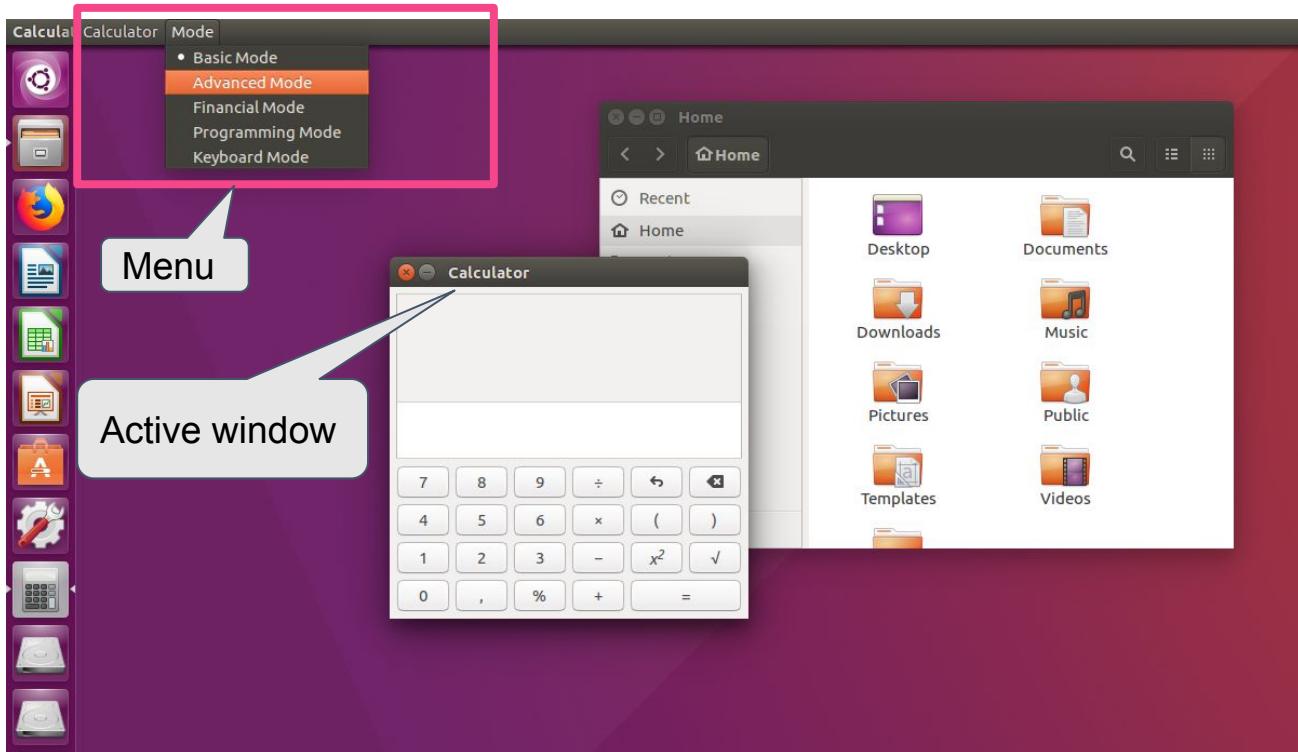


Ubuntu Linux & Shell Basics

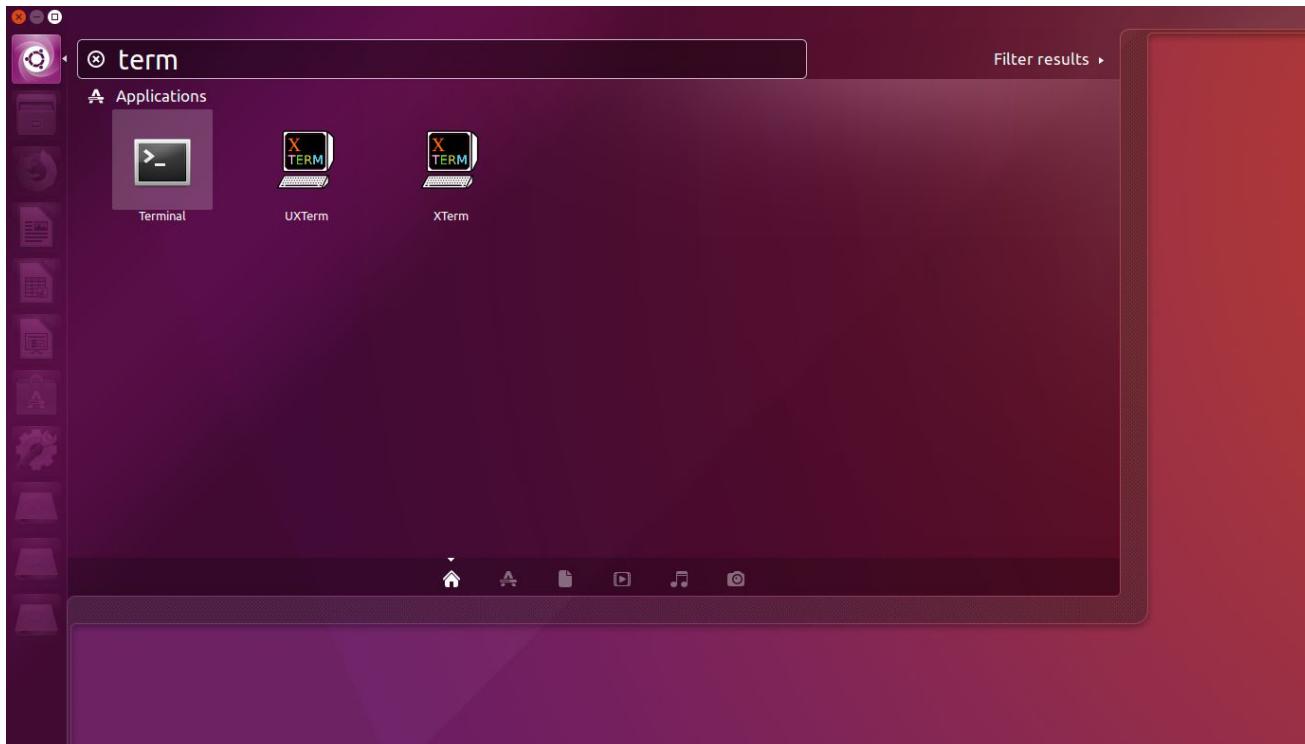
The Ubuntu GUI (16.04)



Application menus



Ubuntu button & Dash

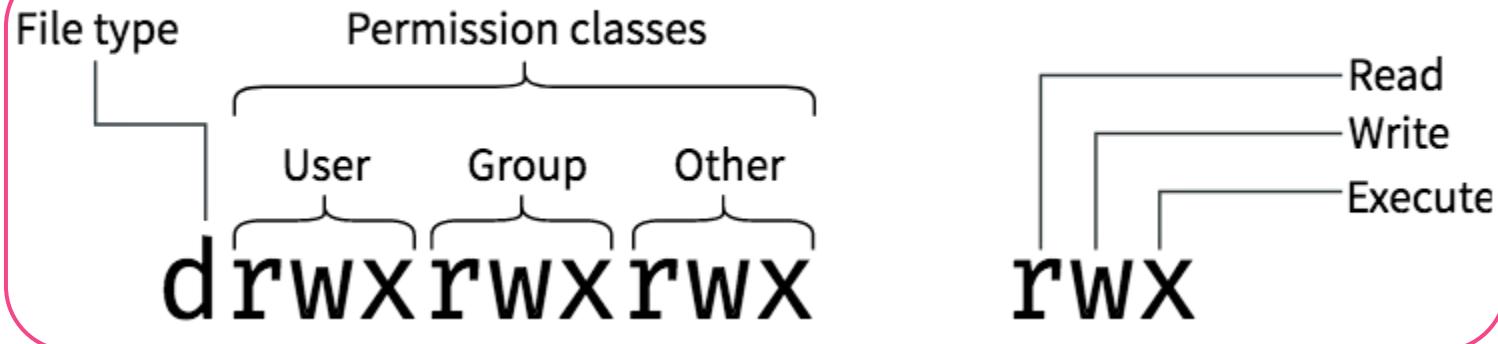


The Linux File System

- Hierarchical, similar to Windows/Mac
- Case sensitivity
- Linux uses / character for separating directories
- No Drive Letters – It's All Under root directory (/)
- Storage devices are mounted as subfolders of the root, e.g.:
 - /media/THUMBDRIVE
 - /cdrom
- Linux file system can contain more than files (disk drives, serial ports, etc.)
 - /dev/input/mouse0
 - /dev/ttyAMA0

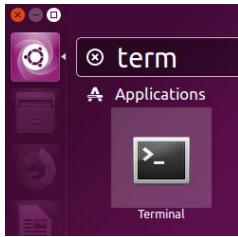
The Linux File Permissions

```
academy@veix-msi:~/linux_permissions$ ls -l
total 4
-rwxr-xr-x 1 academy academy    0 sept  02:41 executable_script.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 academy academy    0 sept  02:41 regular_file.txt
-rw----- 1 academy academy    0 sept  02:41 secret_file.txt
drwxrwx--- 2 academy physics 4096 sept  02:41 subdirectory1
academy@veix-msi:~/linux_permissions$
```



Linux terminal

Choose a convenient method to open!
Need to do this a lot when using ROS.



Super key
Type 'term'
Hit Enter



Lock to Launcher
Open with a click



Use a keyboard
shortcut

Linux terminal: Tips

- Use arrow keys to scroll previous commands.
- Ctrl+C to "kill" the command.
- TAB key is your friend! Press often to autocomplete commands.
- Ctrl+Z suspends a command.
 - fg to make it active again
 - bg to continue running it in background.
- Ctrl+S will freeze the terminal! Hit Ctrl+Q to restore.

Linux terminal: Standard commands

- **ls** – Lists files and folders. Specifying a file or wild card will show only the files listed
- **ls -a** – Lists hidden files as well
- **cd <folder>** - Changes the working folder to the given folder
- **pwd** – Prints the current working folder
- **cp <src> <dest>** - Copies <src> to <dest>
- **mv <src> <dest>** - Moves/renames <src> to <dest>
- **rm <file>** - Removes <file>
- **ps ax** – Shows all processes running on computer
- **kill <pid>** - Kills program with process <pid>

veix@veix-msi:~\$

ROS Introduction

Fundamentals, Concepts, Filesystem

Session Outline

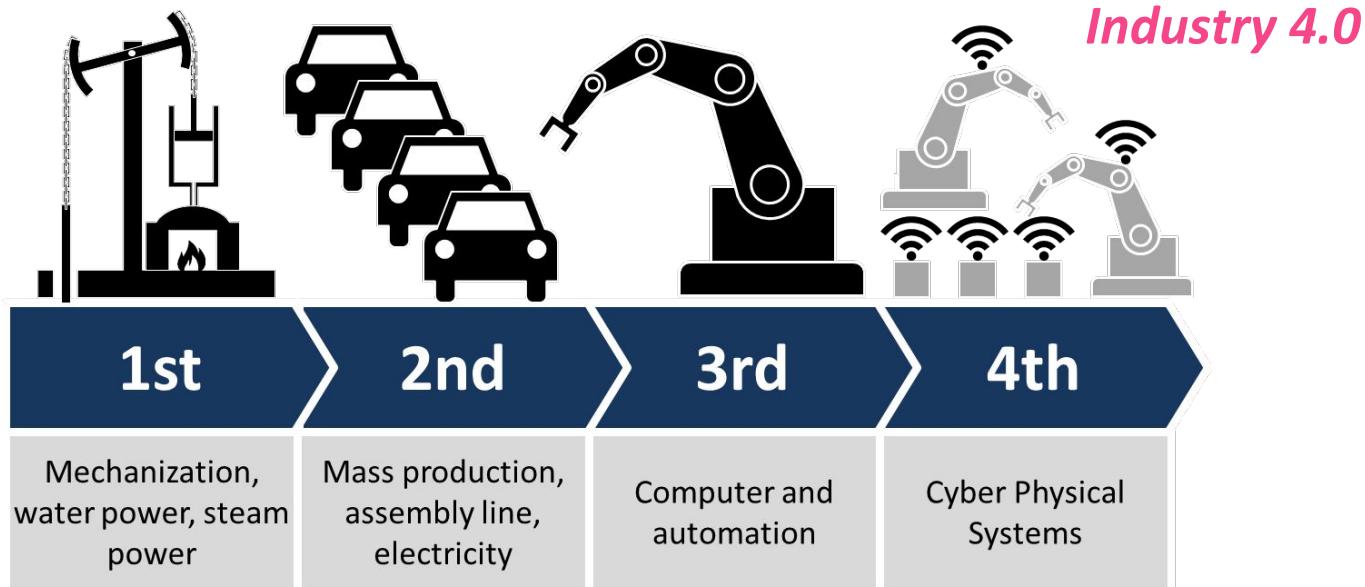
Robotics directions & motivation for ROS

The big picture of ROS?

Fundamentals of ROS

ROS conventions (nodes, packages, and catkin workspace)

Robotics developments



Robotics developments: Collaboration



Images: ABB, Universal Robots, Sarcos Robotics,

Robotics developments: Logistics



Images: Amazon Robotics, PAL Robotics, MiR, StarShip Technologies, Cleveron

Implementing challenging tasks

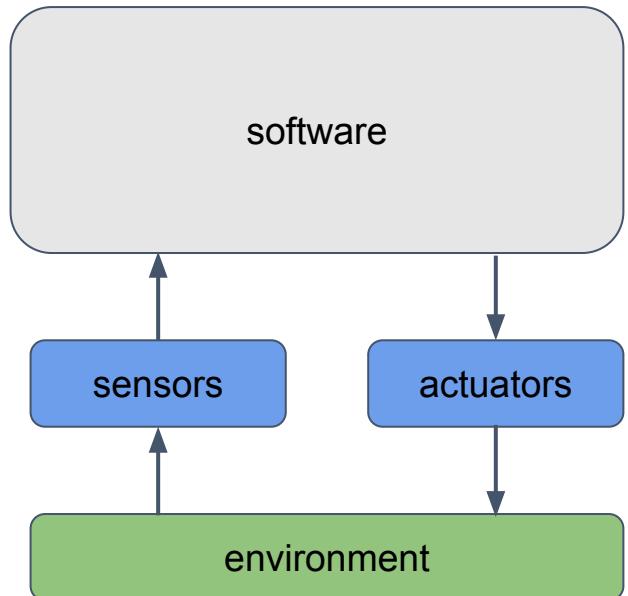


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The motivation for ROS

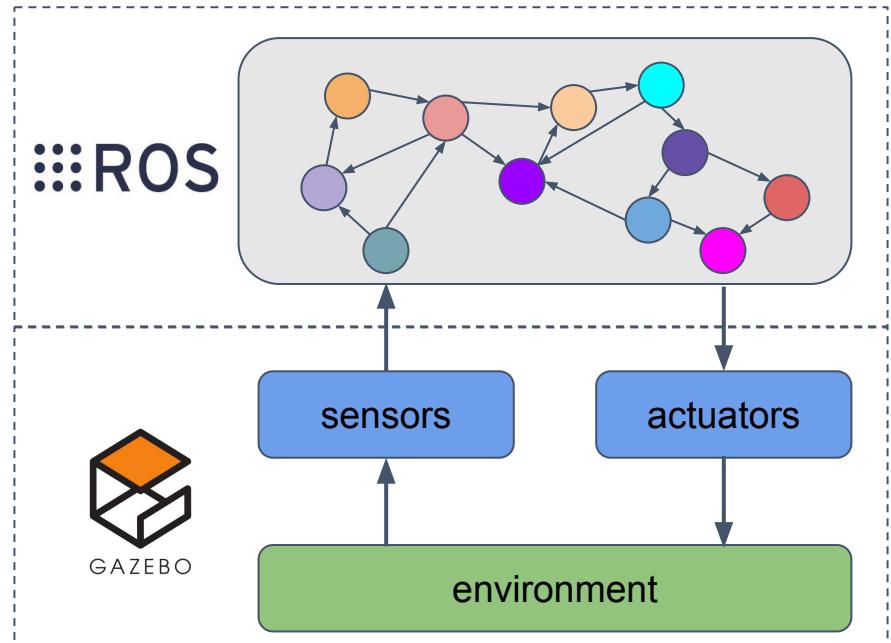
All robots are:

- Software connecting **Sensors** to **Actuators** to interact with the **Environment**

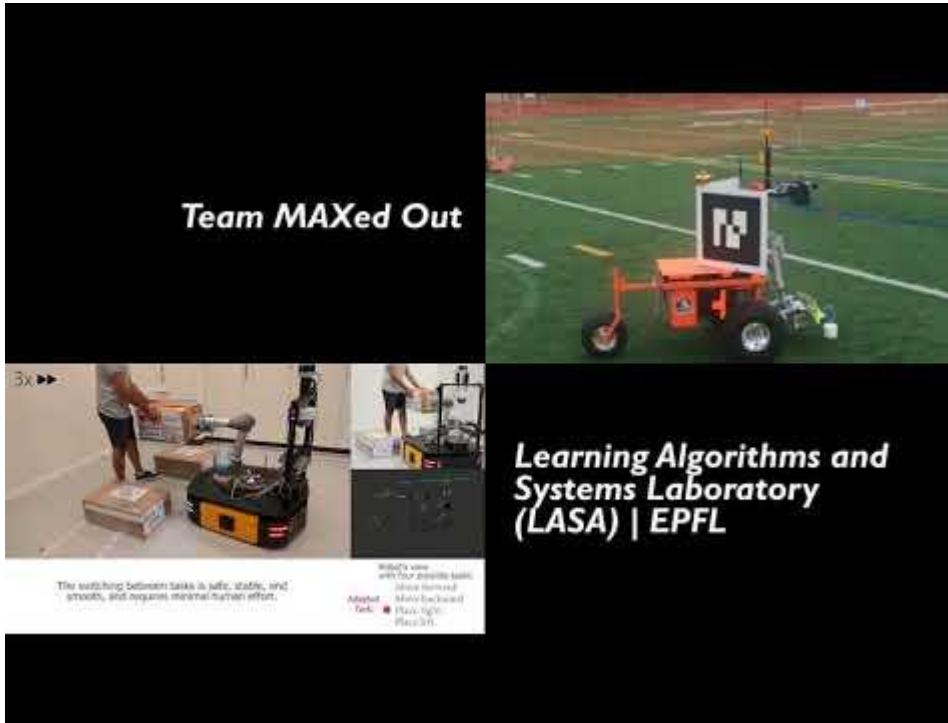


The motivation for ROS

- Break Complex Software into **Smaller Pieces**
- Provide a framework, tools, and interfaces for **distributed** development
- Encourage **re-use** of software pieces
- **Easy transition** between simulation and hardware



10+ years of ROS



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDwZ21Zia8s>

What is ROS?

Sales pitch 😊



- **Open-source solution** for implementing cutting-edge robotics software
- Unified **framework for integrating hardware** from different manufacturers
- Easy-to-use existing functionality, i.e., **modular approach** for re-using previous code
- Huge selection of **amazing development tools** from robot builders to robot builders



What is ROS?

A slightly more technical pitch 😊



- Open-source solution for creating robot software
- Collection of **software libraries**, **tools**, and **conventions**
 - C++ and Python
- Hardware-agnostic and robust
- ROS is not operating system *per se*
 - Works *mostly* on **Linux** (typically **Ubuntu**)

Programming in ROS

- Language independence, easy to implement.
- Implemented in **Python**, **C++**, and **Lisp**
- Experimental libraries in Java and Lua.
-
- Builtin unit/integration test framework called **rostest**
- **Scaling**: ROS is appropriate for large runtime systems and for large development processes.

One-slide history of ROS

- Started during the 00's at **Stanford University**
- Official start in 2007 at **Willow Garage**
- **Open Source Robotics Foundation (OSRF)**



Image source: Willow Garage

List of ROS distributions



Distro	Release date	Poster	Tuturtle, turtle in tutorial	EOL date
ROS Melodic Morenia (Recommended)	May 23rd, 2018			May, 2023 (Bionic EOL)
ROS Lunar Loggerhead	May 23rd, 2017			May, 2019
ROS Kinetic Kame	May 23rd, 2016			April, 2021 (Xenial EOL)
ROS Jade Turtle	May 23rd, 2015			May, 2017
ROS Indigo Igloo	July 22nd, 2014			April, 2019 (Trusty EOL)

<http://wiki.ros.org/Distributions>



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Package Summary

✓ Continuous Integration ✓ Documented

Package laserscan_kinect converts depth image from Microsoft Kinect sensor to 2D laser scanner format. Conversion algorithm allows to remove ground from depth image and compensate sensor mount tilt angle relative to the ground.

- Maintainer status: developed
- Maintainer: Michal Drwiga <drwiga.michal AT gmail DOT com>
- Author: Michal Drwiga (<http://www.mdrwiga.com>)
- License: BSD
- Source: git https://github.com/mdrwiga/depth_nav_tools.git (branch: kinetic-devel)

Package Links

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What is ROS?

The Robot Operating System (ROS) is a set of software libraries and tools that help you build robot applications. From drivers to state-of-the-art algorithms, and with powerful developer tools, ROS has what you need for your next robotics project. And it's all open source.

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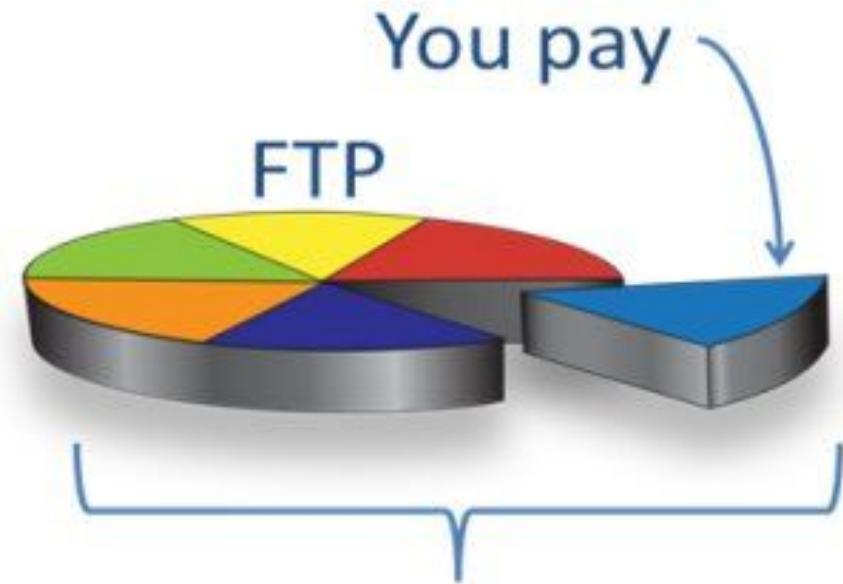
ROS is active:

- ROS Wiki has 2M pageviews/month
- ROS Answers has 650k pageviews/month
- Both have been increasing 20% / year

Data source: <http://download.ros.org/downloads/metrics/metrics-report-2018-07.pdf>

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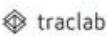
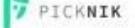
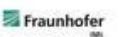
- Started in 2012
 - Yaskawa
 - SWRI
 - Willow Garage
- Focused Technical Projects
- Up to 2 years members only
- Present in 3 regions:
 - ROS Industrial Americas
 - ROS Industrial Europe
 - ROS Industrial Asia - Pacific



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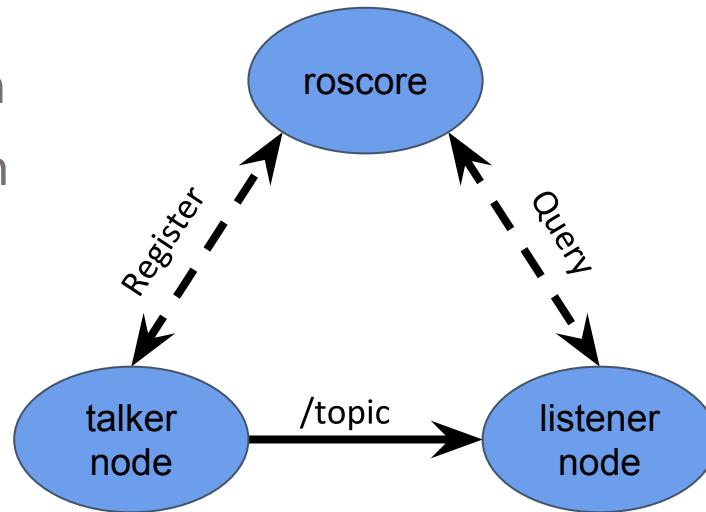
ROS FUNDAMENTAL S

ROS terminology

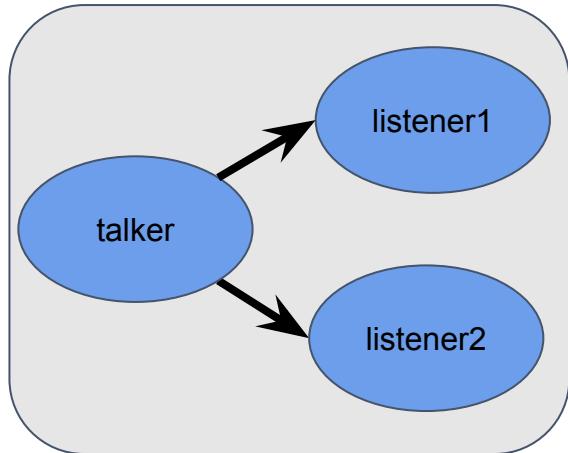
- **ROSCORE/ROSMASTER** – always on the background, **roscore** is a service that provides connection information to **nodes** so that they can transmit **messages** to one another
- **NODE** – software module that is sending or receiving **messages**
- **MESSAGE** – programming-language-independent „data type“
- **TOPIC** – name for a stream of **messages** of defined type
- **PUBLISHER** – sends out **messages** on a specific **topic**
- **SUBSCRIBER** – receives **messages** on a specific **topic**

ROS Architecture: roscore and nodes

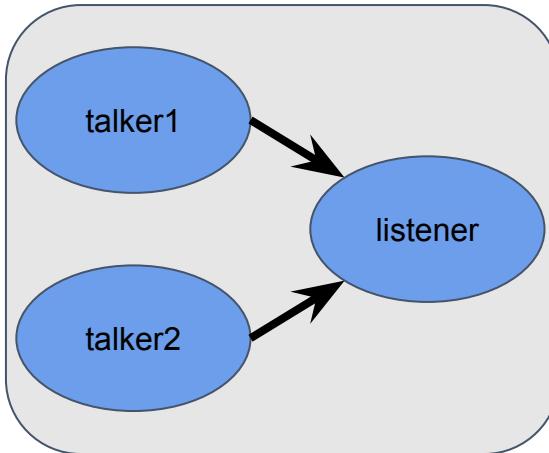
- — — **Temporary** connection
- — — **Permanent** connection



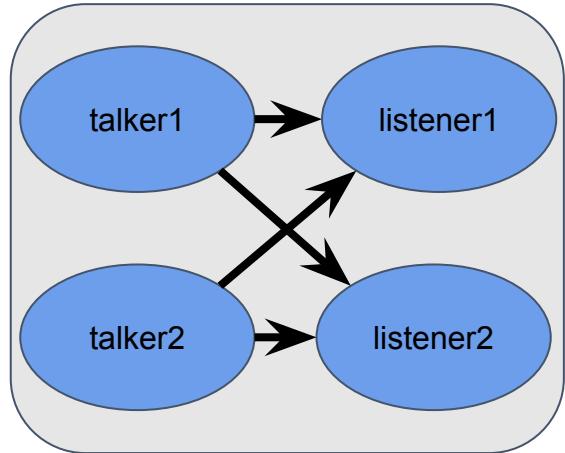
Relationship models



one-to-many



many-to-one



many-to-many

Example: Robot with a camera

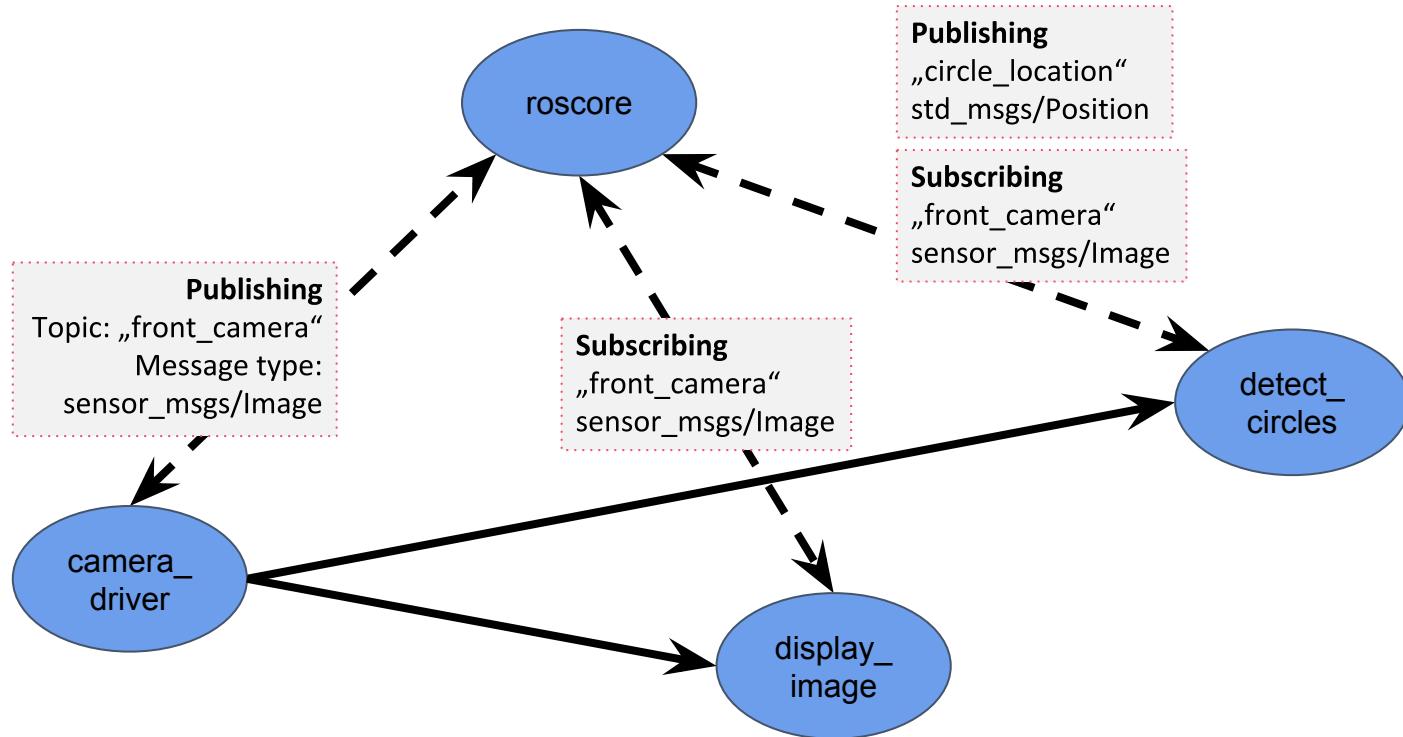
Say we have a **robot** with a front-facing **camera** and we would like to **pinpoint** all **circular objects** in its field of view.

- What would be the ROS structure?
- What would the C++ code look like?



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Example: Robot with a camera



Coding example: publisher

```
#include "ros/ros.h"
#include "sensor_msgs/Image.h"
#include "camera.h"

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    ros::init(argc, argv, "camera_driver");           // ROS node initialisation
    ros::NodeHandle nh;                               // ROS node handle
    ros::Rate frequency(10);                         // Rate 10 Hz

    // Let's create a ROS publisher on topic called „front_camera“
    ros::Publisher pub_cam = nh.advertise<sensor_msgs::Image>(„front_camera“, 10);

    while( ros::ok() )
    {
        pub_cam.publish( getCameraImage() );           // Publish single image
        ros::spinOnce();                             // Let other nodes work ;)
        frequency.sleep();                          // Sleep to meet the frequency
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Coding example: subscriber



```
#include "ros/ros.h"
#include "sensor_msgs/Image.h"
#include "std_msgs/Point.h"

ros::Publisher pub_position;

void findCircle(sensor_msgs::Image input_image) {
    std_msgs::Point circle_position;
    ...
                           // here be algorithm
    pub_position.publish( circle_position );   // publish circle position
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    ros::init(argc, argv, "detect_circles");      // ROS node initialisation
    ros::NodeHandle nh;                          // ROS node handle
    // Let's create a ROS subscriber to „front_camera“
    ros::Subscriber subscriber_cam = nh.subscribe("front_camera", 1, findCircle);
    // Let's create a ROS publisher on „circle_location“
    pub_position = nh.advertise<std_msgs::Point>("circle_location", 1);
    ros::spin();
    return 0;
}
```

What else is there in ROS?

Query-based messaging

- **Service** – Query and response messages
- **Action** – Query, state, and response messages

Parameter server – maintaining runtime variables

Configuration files

URDF – Unified Robot Description Format

roslaunch – starting multiple nodes simultaneously, loading configuration values to parameter server, etc.

Packages – organization for ROS nodes, launch-files, etc



ROS CONCEPTS & CONVENTIONS

ROS conventions: units & coordinates



- SI units (meter, kilogram, second, ampere)
- SI-derived units (radian, hertz, newton, watt, volt, celsius, tesla)
- Right handed coordinates:
 - x forward
 - y left
 - z up
- Preferred representation for rotations: Quaternions
- <https://www.ros.org/reps/rep-0103.html>

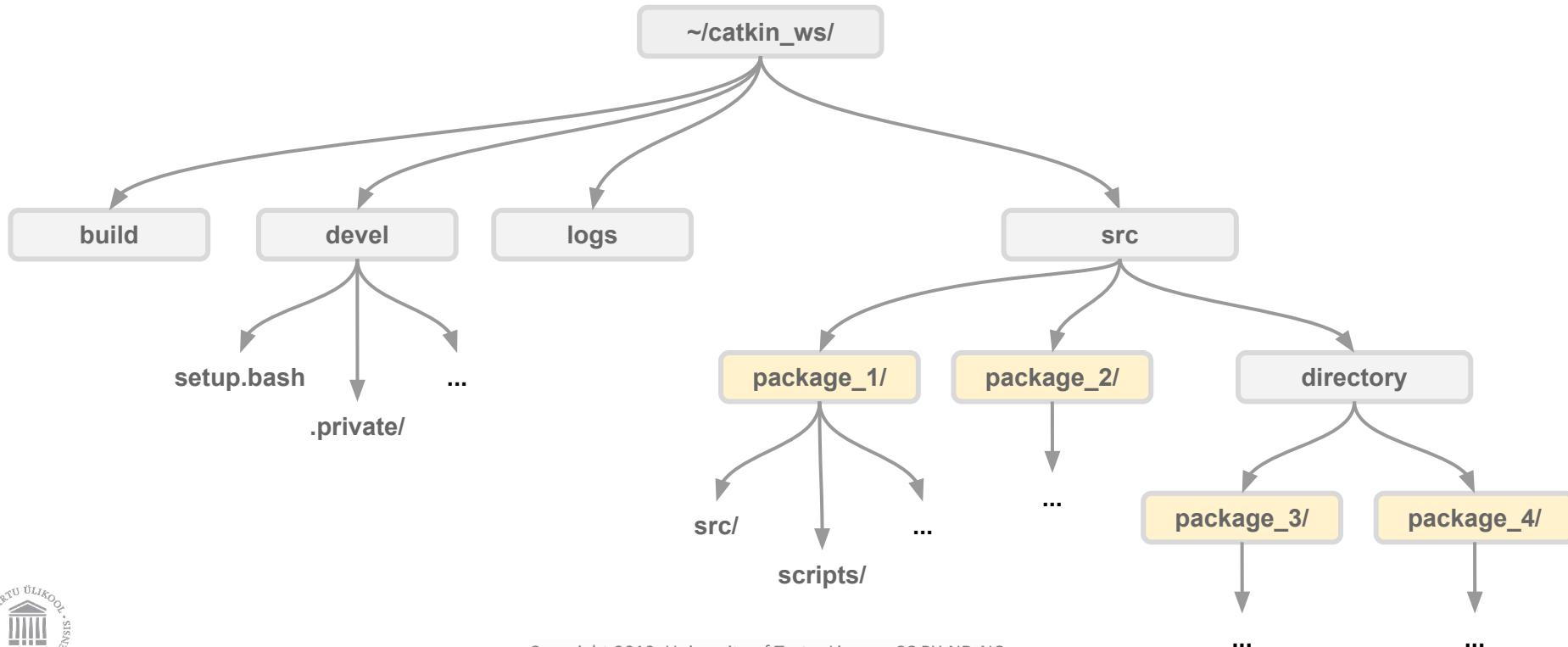


ROS conventions: naming

Package names: lower case, underscore separators, e.g. **laser_scan**

REP 144: <https://www.ros.org/reps/rep-0144.html>

Structure of Catkin workspace



ROS packages

<http://wiki.ros.org/Packages>

A package might contain

- ROS nodes,
- a ROS-independent library,
- a dataset,
- configuration files,
- a third-party piece of software, or
- anything else that logically constitutes a useful module.

ROS packages follow a "Goldilocks" principle:
**enough functionality to be useful, but not too much that the package
is heavyweight and difficult to use from other software.**

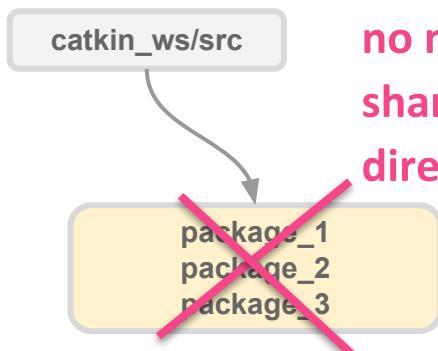
ROS packages

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By definition, the package must contain

- a catkin compliant **package.xml** file
- a **CMakeLists.txt** which uses catkin

Each package must have its own folder!



**no multiple packages
sharing the same
directory!**



no nested packages!

ROS packages

<http://wiki.ros.org/Packages>



my_ros_package/

- |---**CMakeLists.txt**: CMake build file
- |---**package.xml**: Manifest containing meta information
- |---**include/package_name**: C++ include headers
- |---**launch/**: Folder containing launch-files
- |---**msg/**: Folder containing Message (msg) types
- |---**src/package_name/**: Source files
- |---**srv/**: Folder containing Service (srv) types
- |---**scripts/**: executable scripts

ur_modern_driver

ROS package example in GitHub



196 commits 1 branch 0 releases 11 contributors Apache-2.0

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ThomasTimm committed on GitHub Merge pull request #94 from tecnalia-advancedmanufacturing-robotics/r... Latest commit b47a15a 25 days ago

config	Update ur3_controllers.yaml	10 months ago
include/ur_modern_driver	Added the servoj gain and servoj lookahead time as a parameter at lau...	a year ago
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src	Add time parameter back to speedj for SW >= 3.3.	6 months ago
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CMakeLists.txt	Copy config folder on install	2 months ago
LICENSE	Changed license to Apache 2.0	2 years ago
README.md	added installation and runtime execution for absolute beginners	a month ago
package.xml	Remove dependency on ros_controllers metapackage.	7 months ago
test_move.py	Changed time base for ros_control. Fixes #44	a year ago

https://github.com/ros-industrial/ur_modern_driver

ROS packages and nodes

- Packages can be created with tools like `catkin_create_pkg`
- Every ROS node belongs to a ROS package
- A package can contain multiple nodes (name is set with `ros::init`)

```
ros::init(argc, argv, "camera_driver");
```

- Nodes are executables

```
$ rosrun <package_name> <node_name>
$ rosrun camera_package camera_driver
$ rosrun camera_package camera_driver.py
```

ROS nodes

<http://wiki.ros.org/Nodes>

- A node is a process that performs computation
- A robot control system will usually comprise many nodes
- Benefits of using ROS nodes:
 - Additional ***fault tolerance*** as crashes are isolated to individual nodes
 - ***Code complexity is reduced*** in comparison to monolithic systems
 - Implementation details are also well hidden as the nodes expose a minimal API to the rest of the graph and ***alternate implementations***, even in other programming languages, ***can easily be substituted***.

roslaunch

- Launch-files enable:
 - Running multiple nodes with a single command
 - Specifying arguments for nodes
 - Remapping
 - Loading parameters to ROS parameter server
- Uses XML

```
$ roslaunch <package> <launch-file>
```

```
$ roslaunch ur_modern_driver ur5_bringup.launch
```

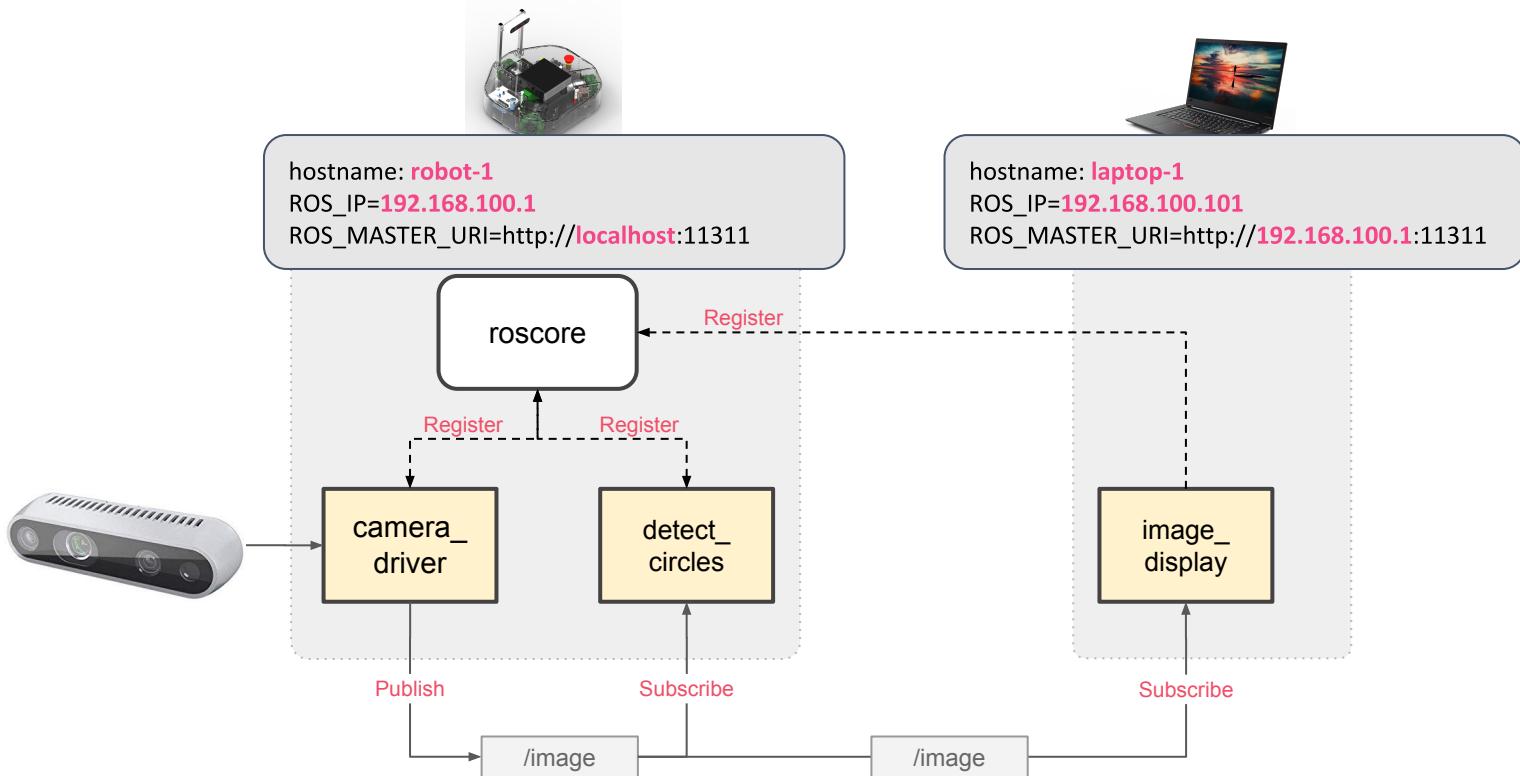
ROS as a distributed system

Configured with **environmental variables**

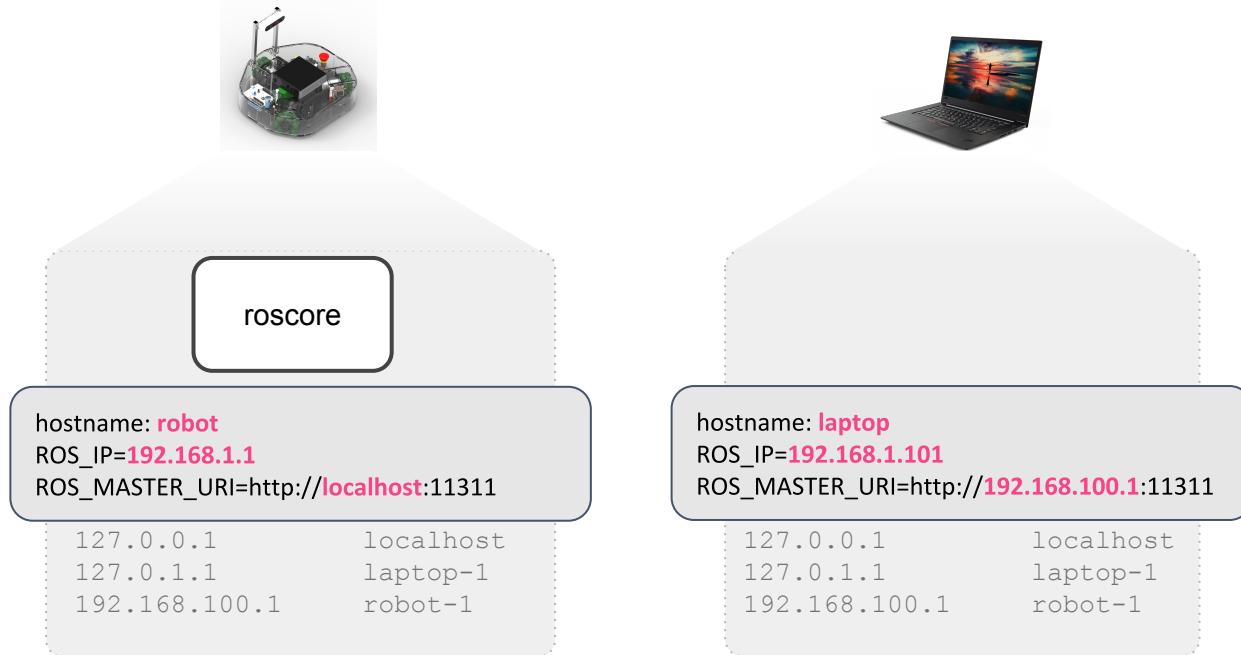
```
export ROS_MASTER_URI=http://<master_ip>:11311
```

```
export ROSIP=<interface_address>
```

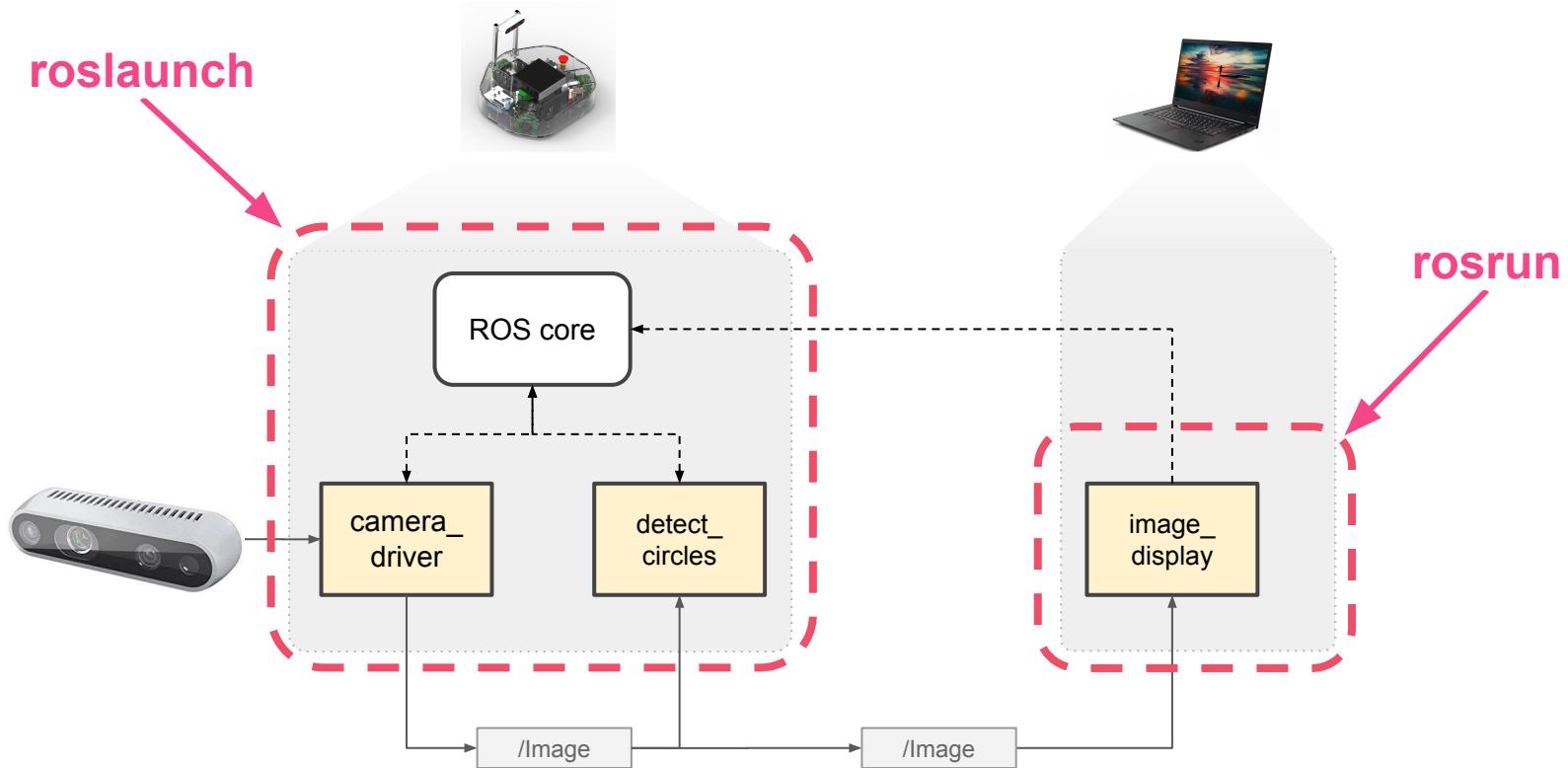
ROS as a distributed system



Example



rosrun vs roslaunch



Workshop

ROS Environment

Navigate through packages

Run ROS programs

Teleoperate Clearbot robot