

Robot Operating System

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Motivation

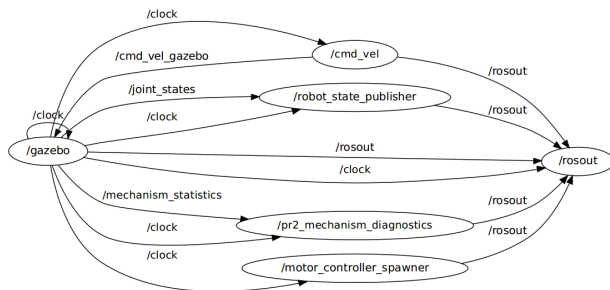
Clopema video: `Repet_grasp_garment_1`
Alpaca video: `tazibot`

ROS



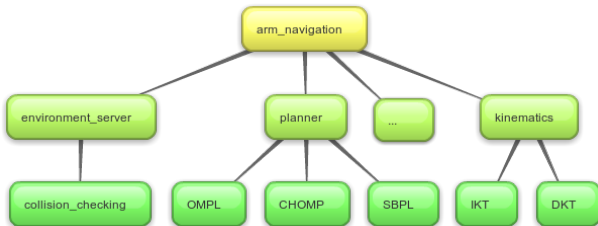
- 5 years old
- Willow Garage → OSRF
- Ubuntu
- Meta-operating system
 - Process communication
 - Package management
 - Hardware abstraction
 - Language independence (Python, C++, Lisp)

Simple application



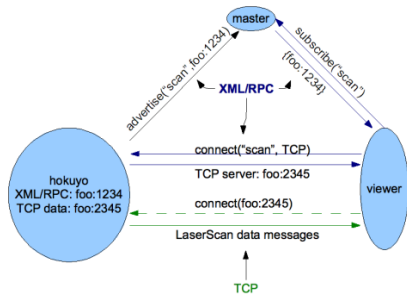
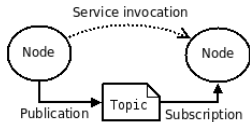
File System Level

- Node
- Package
- Stack

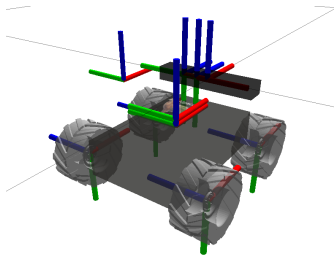


Concepts

- Master (roscore)
- Topics, publisher - subscriber architecture
- Services, client - server architecture
- Parameter Server
- Bagfiles



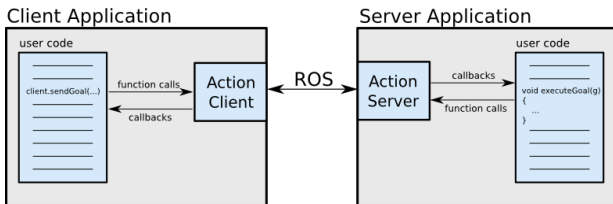
Transformation (tf)



- Transformation in tree structure
- Any transformation relative to any frame
- Buffered in time

Actions (actionlib)

- For preemptable tasks / Longtime running tasks
- For example *Goto*
 - Planning
 - Filtering
 - Trajectory execution



Practical Implementation

Contents

- Common packages, visualization, robot model, simulators
- Packages for mobile robots
- Packages for manipulators
- State Machine

RVIZ

3D visualization tool for ROS

- Marker, Markers Array
- Point cloud
- Images
- 2D Map

VIDEO: polyg_1_inv

URDF, Xacro

Unified Robot Description Format

- XML format
- links (origin, visual and collision model, color)
- joints (origin, type)

Xacro

- XML macro language
- more readable XML
- macros, parameters, maths

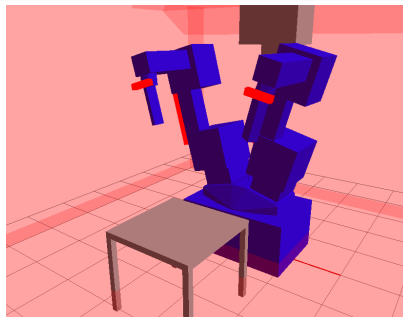
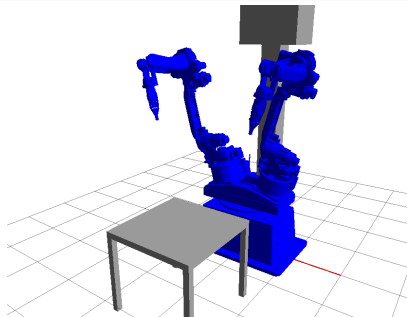
URDF, Xacro

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URDF, Xacro



Gazebo



Video: Alpaca in gazebo (alpaca_teleop) Why not Clopema in gazebo?

- Started in 2002
- In 2009 interface to ROS was created
- In 2011 WG started providing financial support
- In 2013 OSRF started providing financial support
- Multi-robot simulator for outdoor environments
- Most users use it for indoor environments
- Plenty of sensors (laser, camera, kinect, *GPS*)

Mobile robot

Typical sensors

- Mechanical odometry
- Camera
- Laser range finder (kinect)
- IMU

Convention in ROS

- Control: topic *cmd_vel* [geometry_msgs/Twist]
- Feedback: topic *odom* [sensor_msgs/Odometry]

Mobile robot

Typical problems solved by move_base stack

- Mapping (2D, 3D)
- Localization
- SLAM (Simultaneous Localization and Mapping)
- Reactive (local) planner
- Global planner
- Actionlib interface

Videos: `par12_final_slow`

Manipulators

- Kinematics (DKT, IKT - numerical, OpenRave),
- Collision checking, geometrical constraints support
- Motion planners (OMPL, SBPL, CHOMP)
- Trajectory filters
- Actionlib interface

Videos: CAIK, simple_plan, plan_out_of_vision

SMACH

- State MACHine
- Higher-Level behaviours
- Hierarchical (every state machine is state)
- Concurrence containers (parallel)

- Outcomes
- Userdata
- Implemented interface to services and actions

Video: ICRA_MAP_BUILDING

ROS

Conclusion

- Nodes, Packages, Stacks
- Topics, Services, Parameters, Transformations, Actions

Implementation

- Node for hardware interface
- Node for controller
- Create robot model
- Generate configuration files using wizard
- Higher level tasks with SMACH

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Questions?

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