Record For Integrating UWB Data Into ROS

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1 Integrating UWB

After connecting to the robot through ssh, then execute the following command:

1 husarion@husarion:~/pathTo/catkin_ws\$ roscore

start 2nd. command line window and execute:

1 \$\ roslaunch rosbot_ekf all.launch rosbot_pro:=true

start 3rd. command line window and launch the *robot_localization* through executing:

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7/pathTo/catkin_ws$ source ./devel/setup.bash //pathTo/catkin_ws$ roslaunch playground start_filter.launch
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Now our purpose is integrating UWB data into existing *move.py* script, there're at least 2 possibilities:

- Execute in a multi-threading/multiprocessing way
- Publish UWB data into a ROS topic and subscribe when- and wherever needed

For the moment I've chosen the 2nd. method because there's no real multithreading in Python, here's the explanation:

"The Python Global Interpreter Lock or GIL, in simple words, is a mutex (or a lock) that allows only one thread to hold the control of the Python interpreter. This means that only one thread can be in a state of execution at any point in time."

If we bypass this through writing some C code, it would be complicated. As for multiprocessing mechanism, which will bring relative bigger change to the existing code base. So the classical *publisher and subscriber* model is preferred here. There is already package support for $Decawave\ DWM1001C\ [Dec21]$

called localizer_dwm1001. After cloning this package into workspace in src folder /Mingze/catkin_ws/src/ and execute:

1 \$ catkin_make

Now execute following command we can check running rostopic:

l \$ rostopic list

And from the output we can know /dwm1001/tag is exactly what we want and through executing:

1 \$ rostopic **type** /dwm1001/tag

we can know the message type is *localizer_dwm1001/Tag*, which we will use later in order to subscribe from the topic and decode the coordinate message.

To launch the *UWB tag* through executing:

1 ~/pathTo/catkin_ws\$ source ./devel/setup.bash 2 ~/pathTo/catkin_ws\$ roslaunch localizer_dwm1001 dwm1001.launch

inside the *playground* package there's a **Python** script called *move.py*. Now execute:

\$ husarion@husarion: \(^/\) / pathTo/catkin_ws\(^\) rosrun playground move.py

2 Idea for next step

- a. Build a global coordinate system based on UWB and fuse IMU and Odom-etry data in the running process
- b. Consider using Graph Neural Networks, not only EKF
- c. Consider designing a random walk model for the final demonstration

References

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