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INTRODUCTION

- This tutorial is made to explain how to interface SCANeR™studio with ROS (Robot Operating System).
- Robot Operating System (ROS) is a set of open source computing tools for developing software for robotics.



- SCANeR™studio and ROS: environment and concepts.
- Create a ROS Workspace for SCANeR™studio.
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SCANeR™studio and ROS: environment and concepts.



Environment:

Prerequisite: The SCANeR™studio license has to be Cluster or Advanced (license with more than one machine).

- Windows environment:
 - . Windows 10 64-bits.
 - . Last version of SCANeR™studio 1.8 with its related Add-on Linux package (available on our official website).
- Linux environment:
 - . Ubuntu 16.04.3 LTS (Xenial Xerus) amd64.
 - . A network installation of SCANeR[™] studio 1.8 must be available. You can refer to the **README.Linux**, it comes with the Linux Add-on package
- ROS environment:
 - . kinetic 1.12.13

Note: This tutorial is made for a "Shared" installation of SCANeR™studio. If required, it is also possible to do the same when the installation of SCANeR™studio on Linux is a "Standalone" installation. In thus case, a Workstation license (1 machine) of SCAneR™studio is sufficient (see the README.Linux for the Standalone installation).



Concepts

| SCANeR™studio | ROS | Description |
|---------------|----------|--|
| Modules | Nodes | A module/node is an executable that uses SCANeR™/ROS to communicate with other modules/nodes. |
| Messages | Messages | SCANeR™/ROS data type used when subscribing or publishing to a DataInterface/topic. |
| DataInterface | Topics | Modules/Nodes can publish messages on a DataInterface/topic as well as subscribe to a DataInterface/topic to receive messages. |



Create a ROS Workspace for SCANeR™studio.



Note :

1. You must have installed and configured a ROS environment (a tutorial is available at the following link: http://wiki.ros.org/kinetic/Installation/Ubuntu).

We recommend you to add the 'source' to your shell startup script (.bashrc):

source /opt/ros/kinetic/setup.bash

2. In addition to the network installation of SCANeR™studio and to be able to use the SCANeR™studio SDK, you need to get the following file:

sudo apt-get install cmake build-essential

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1. Create and build a catkin workspace:

Execute the following command lines:

catkin_make

mkdir –p \$STUDIO_PATH%/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/src cd \$STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/



Create a catkin package for SCANeR™studio.



To Create a catkin Package, execute the following command lines:

cd \$STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/src

catkin_create_pkg scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway std_msgs roscpp

This will create a "scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder" which contains a "package.xml" and a "CMakeLists.txt", which have been partially filled out with the information you gave.



The Code: SCANeR™API and ROS.



Create a "src" directory :

Execute the following command lines:

```
cd
$STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/src/scanerapi_sample
_ros_gateway_folder
mkdir –p src
```

2. Copy the "scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway.cpp" file in the folder: \$STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/src/scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder/src (you will find the .cpp file in the .zip folder).



The contents of the .cpp file is the following:

```
#include "ros/ros.h"
#include "std msgs/String.h"
#include "ScanerAPI/scanerAPI DLL C.h" //SCANeRTM API: C language Functions
#include "ScanerAPI/ScanerAPImessagesNetwork.h" //SCANeRTM API: Network utils
#include <sstream>
int main(int argc, char **argv)
ros::init(argc, argv, "scanerAPI sample ros gateway");
ros::NodeHandle n;
Process Init(argc, argv); //SCANeRTM API: Process initialization
ros::Publisher chatter pub = n.advertise<std msgs::String>("chatter", 1000000);
DataInterface* vehicle 0 = Com declareInputData(NETWORK IVEHICLE VEHICLEUPDATE, 0); //SCANeRTM API: Message to read
while (ros::ok())
Process_Wait(); //SCANeRTM API: Frequency synchronization
Process Run(); //SCANeRTM API: Run the process
if (Process_GetState() == PS_RUNNING) //SCANERTM API: The simulation is running
Com updateInputs(UT AllData); //SCANeRTM API: Update input data (data to read)
std msgs::String msg;
std::stringstream ss;
ss << "Speed[0]:" << Com getFloatData(vehicle 0, "speed[0]") *3.6; //SCANeRTM API: Read vehicle 0's speed on X;//SCANeRTM API: Read vehicle 0's speed.
msg.data = ss.str();
ROS INFO("%s", msg.data.c str());
chatter pub.publish(msg);
ros::spinOnce();
Process Close(); //SCANeRTM API: Clean way to stop the SCANeRTM module
return 0:
```



Building: SCANeR™ API and ROS.



- 1. Copy and replace the CMakeLists.txt (you will find the CMakeLists.txt in the .zip folder): (...\ScanerAPI\SampleROS\catkin_ws\src\scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder\CMakeLists.txt):
 - ## Build ## ********** ## Specify additional locations of header files ## Your package locations should be listed before other locations include directories(# include ../../../../include \${catkin INCLUDE DIRS} link directories (../../../../../bin/Linux/ubuntu/16.04/lib ../../../../../../bin/Linux/ubuntu/16.04/lib/external ## Declare a C++ library # add library(\${PROJECT NAME} # src/\${PROJECT NAME}/scaner ros gateway.cpp #) ## Add cmake target dependencies of the library ## as an example, code may need to be generated before libraries ## either from message generation or dynamic reconfigure # add dependencies(\${PROJECT_NAME} \${\${PROJECT_NAME} EXPORTED_TARGETS} \${catkin_EXPORTED_TARGETS}) ## Declare a C++ executable ## With catkin make all packages are built within a single CMake context ## The recommended prefix ensures that target names across packages don't collide add executable (\${PROJECT NAME} node src/scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway.cpp) ## Rename C++ executable without prefix ## The above recommended prefix causes long target names, the following renames the ## target back to the shorter version for ease of user use ## e.g. "rosrun someones pkg node" instead of "rosrun someones pkg someones pkg node" # set target properties(\${PROJECT NAME} node PROPERTIES OUTPUT NAME node PREFIX "") ## Add cmake target dependencies of the executable ## same as for the library above add dependencies (\${PROJECT NAME} node \${\${PROJECT NAME} EXPORTED TARGETS} \${catkin EXPORTED TARGETS}) ## Specify libraries to link a library or executable target against target_link_libraries(\${PROJECT_NAME}_node libScanerAPI.so \${catkin LIBRARIES}



2. Run:

```
cd $STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws catkin make
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```
rigaut@rigaut-virtualbox:~/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2$ catkin_make
Base path: /home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2
Source space: /home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/src
Build space: /home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/build
Devel space: /home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/devel
Install space: /home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/install
####
#### Running command: "make cmake_check_build_system" in "/home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/build"
####
#### Running command: "make -j3 -l3" in "/home/rigaut/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws2/build"
####
[100%] Built target scanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder
rigaut@rigaut-virtualbox:~/AVS/SCANeRstudio_1.8.58/APIs/sampleROS/catkin_ws2$
```



Running: SCANeR™ API and ROS.



Prerequisite:

- roscore must be running.
- You need to have a SCANeR™studio configuration with at least 2 machines (Windows: supervisor and Linux: SCANeR™ API/ROS).
- The SCANeR™studio Daemon must be running on both machines.

Note:

In this example and for all the SCANeR™ API projects, the values are sent with the SI units (here, the speed of the vehicle 0 will be sent in m/s).



To run the project:

1. Now, to be able to launch the ROS SCANeR™studioprocess, you need to set the environment variables of SCANeR™studio. To do that, go to your shared folder and source the setenv.sh script:

. ./setenv.sh SCANeRstudio_1.8

Note: We recommend adding this command line to the .bashrc file.

2. Source the new setup .*sh

source devel/setup.bash



3. Execute the following command lines:

cd \$STUDIO_PATH/SCANeRstudio_1.8/APIs/samples/ScanerAPI/SampleROS/catkin_ws/

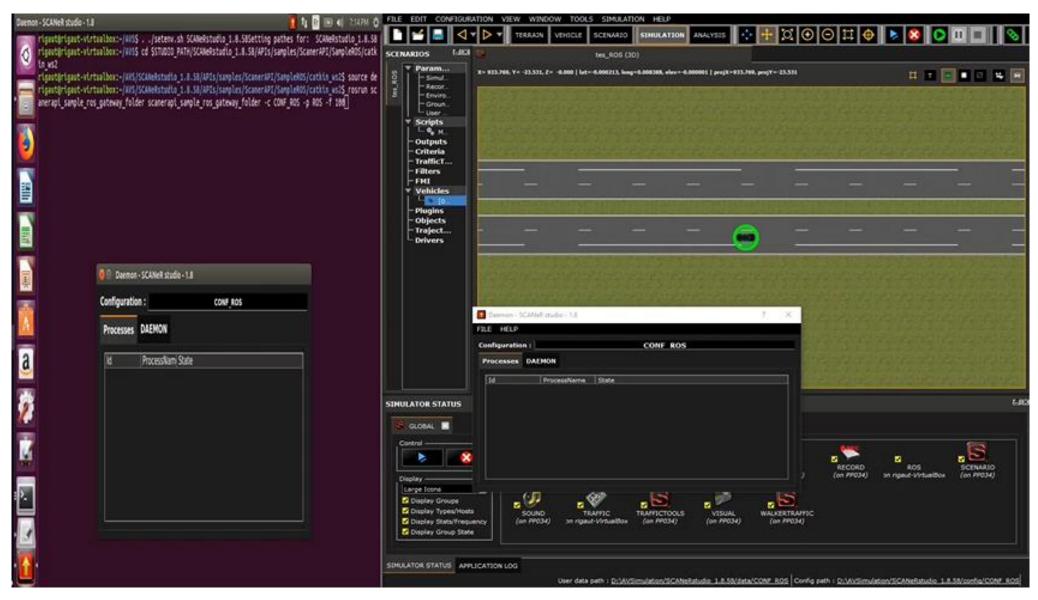
rosrunscanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folderscanerapi_sample_ros_gateway_folder_node—c < YOUR CONFIGURATION > -p ROS -f 100

The parameter–c is your SCANeR™studio configuration name.

The parameter -p is your Process name (must be available into your SCANeR™studio configuration).

The parameter –f is the Frequency of the process (optional, the default value is 100hz).





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