

# How to use ROS and Gazebo with the ROBOTIS OP2

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# Before we start...

- Who has used Linux before?
- Who has used ROS before?
- Who has used the Darwin OP/ ROBOTIS OP2 before?



How Robotics  
Research Keeps...

# Re-Inventing the Wheel

First, someone  
publishes...



...and they write  
code that barely  
works but lets  
them publish...



...a paper with  
a proof-of-  
concept robot.



This prompts  
another lab to  
try to build on  
this result...



But inevitably,  
time runs out...



...but they can't  
get any details  
on the software  
used to make it  
work...



...and countless  
sleepless nights  
are spent  
writing code  
from scratch.



So, a grandiose  
plan is formed  
to write a new  
software API...



...and all the  
code used by  
previous lab  
members is a mess.

By Jorge Cham,  
[Ph.D. Comics](http://www.phdcomics.com).



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# ROS - Robot Operating System

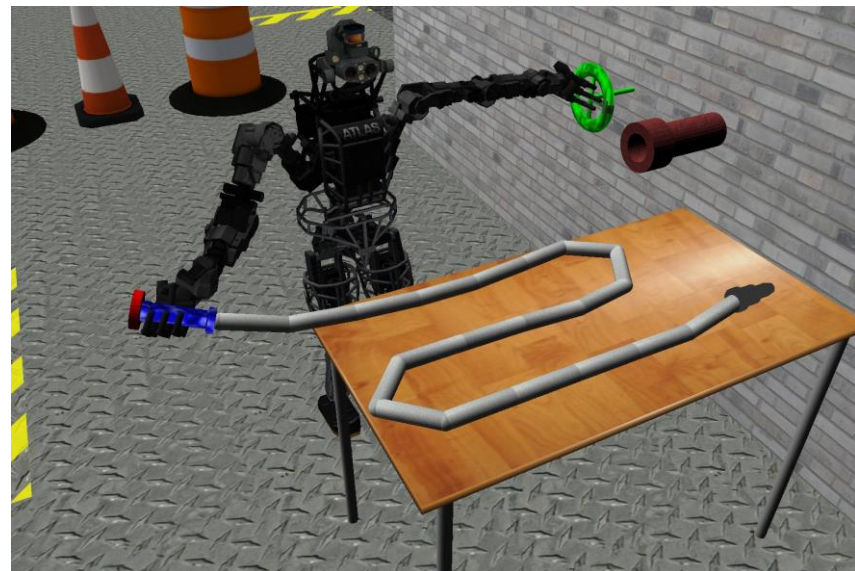
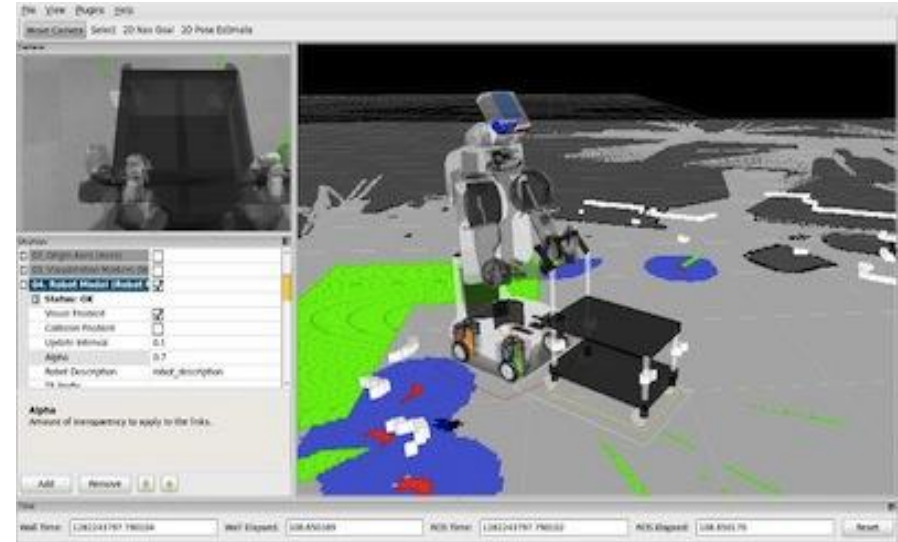
- What is ROS?
  - A collection of
    - Software libraries
    - Tools
    - Conventions
- What is ROS not?
  - An operating system like e.g. Ubuntu or Windows
- Why use it?
  - High reusability/ Easy collaboration
  - Collection of powerful development tools
  - Popular in academics and industry





# ROS Core Elements

- Communication Structure
- Tools
  - Rviz
  - Rqt
- Integration
  - Gazebo
  - OpenCV
  - PCL
  - MoveIt







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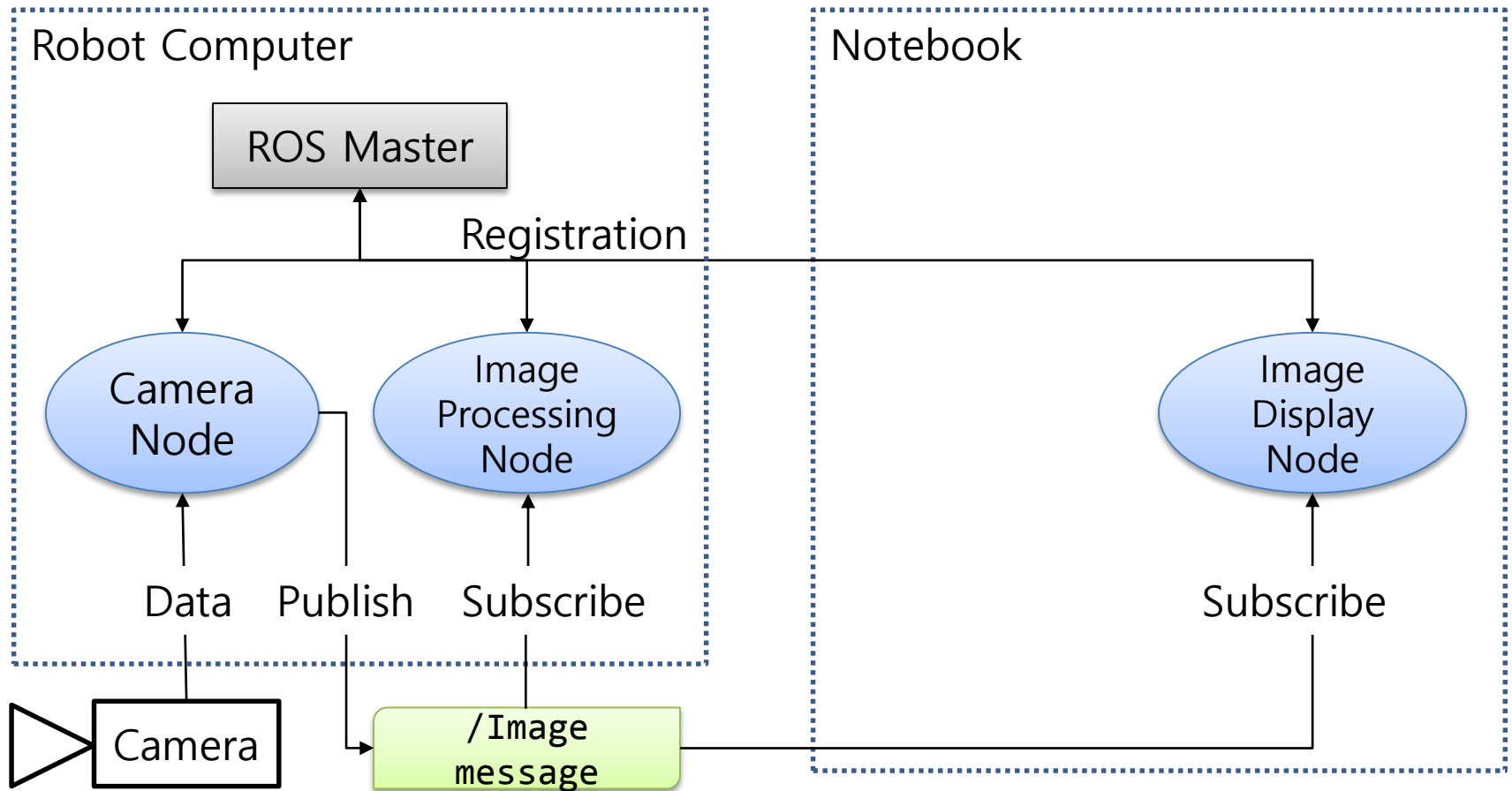


# Key concept

- Nodes
  - Modular separated programs → “loose coupling”
- Master
  - Main node, e.g. manages address spaces
- Parameter server
  - Stores data
- Messages
  - Data structures to exchange information
- Topics
  - Message “channels”. Nodes **subscribe** to topics to receive messages or **publish** on topics to send messages

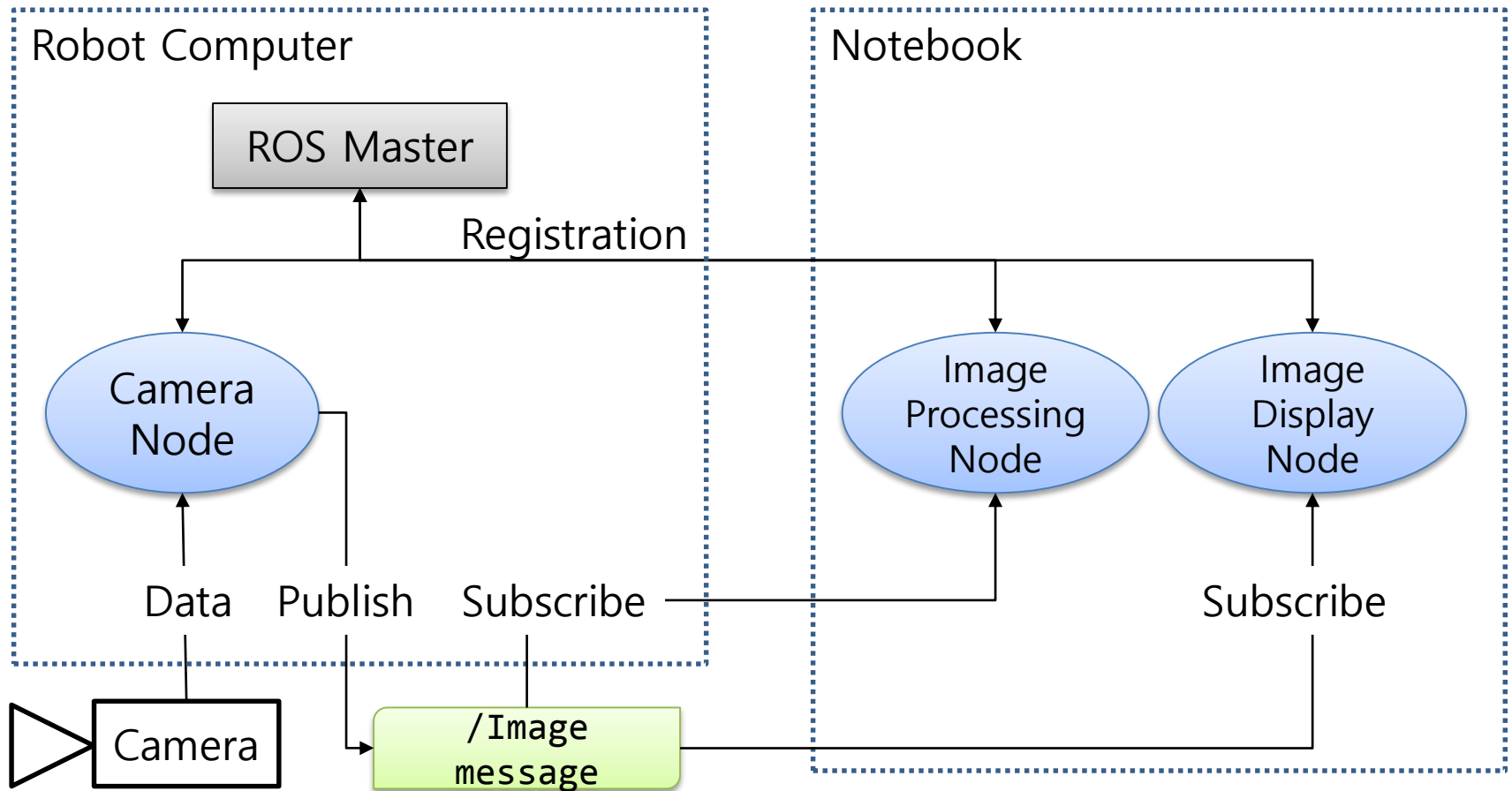


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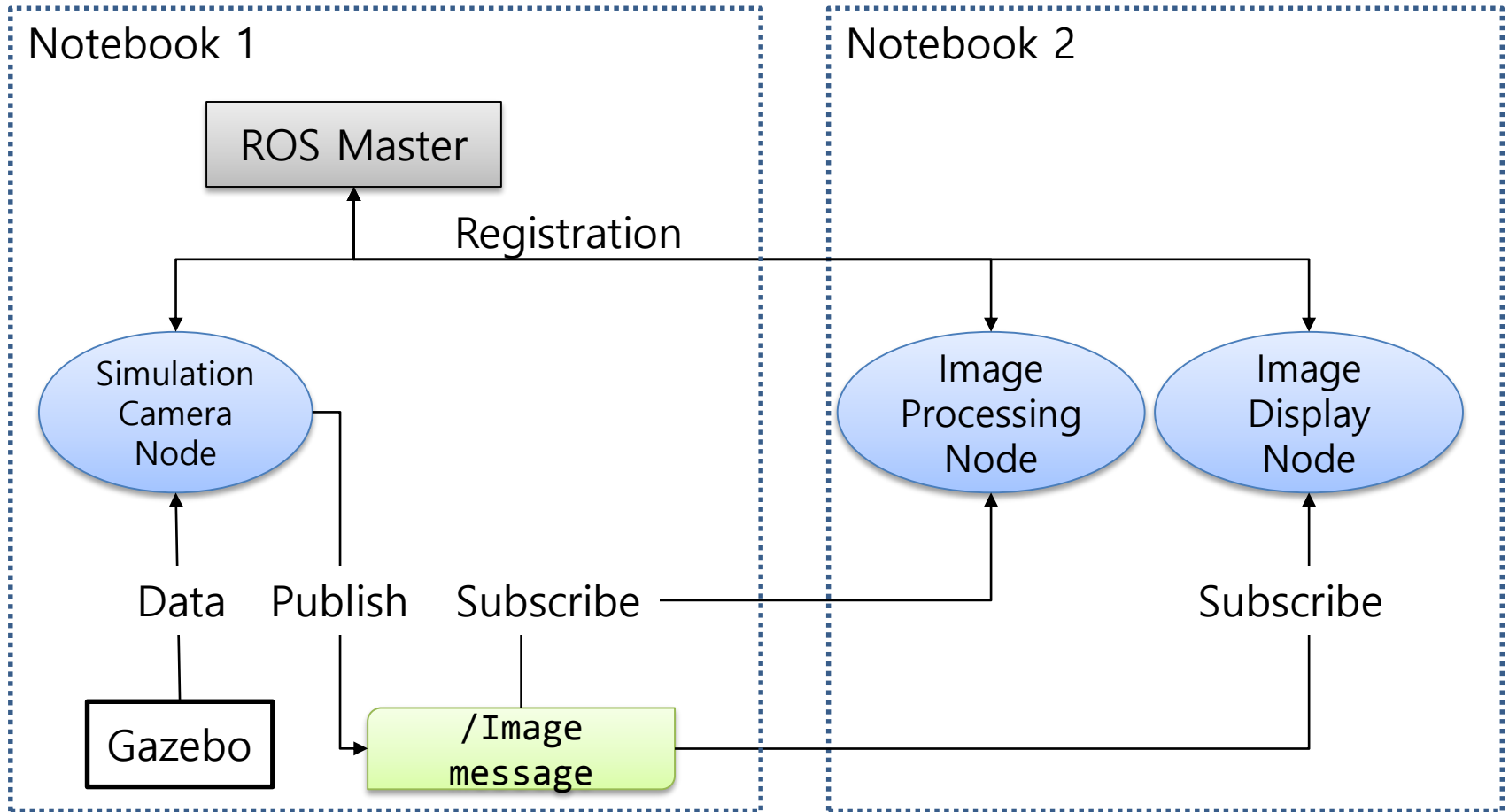


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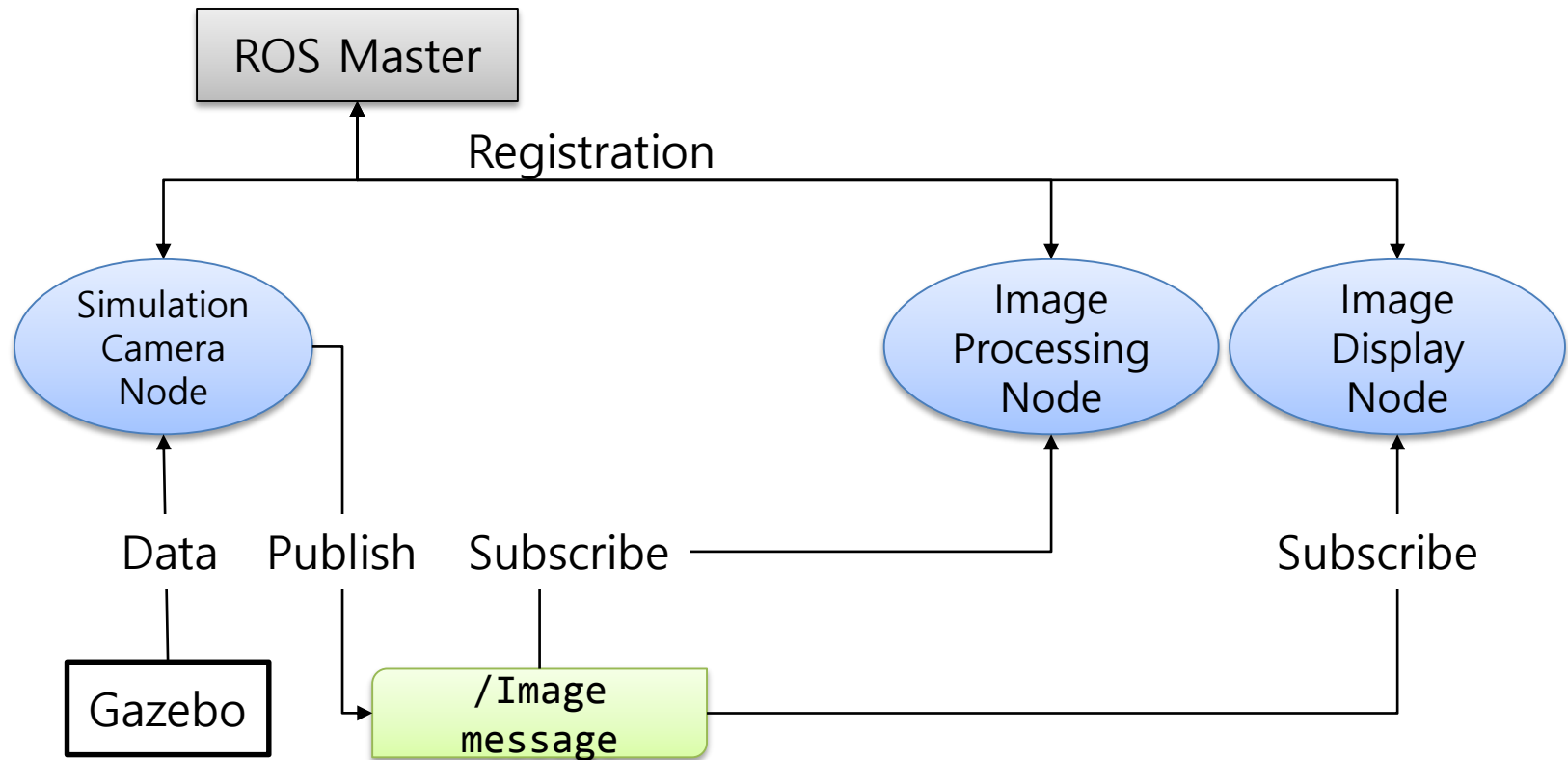
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Notebook





# Publisher Example

```
//Initializing Publisher
ros::Publisher vel_pub_;
vel_pub_ = nh_.advertise<geometry_msgs::Twist>('robotis_op
/cmd_vel', 1);
```

*message type* *topic*

```
//Sending message
geometry_msgs::Twist vel;
    vel.angular.z = a_scale_*(joy->axes[axis_angular_r_] -
joy->axes[axis_angular_l_]);
    vel.linear.x = l_scale_*joy->axes[axis_linear_x_];
    vel.linear.y = l_scale_*joy->axes[axis_linear_y_];
    vel_pub_.publish(vel);
```



# Subscriber Example

```
// Initializing Subscriber
ros::NodeHandle nh_;
ros::Subscriber image_sub_;
image_sub_ = nh_.subscribe("/robotis_op/camera/image_raw",
100, &RobotisOPBallTrackingNode::imageCb, this);

//Receiving Image Callback
void RobotisOPBallTrackingNode::imageCb(const sensor_msgs:
:Image& msg)
{
    cv_bridge::CvImagePtr image_ptr;
    image_ptr = cv_bridge::toCvCopy(msg, sensor_msgs::image_
encodings::RGB8);
    [...]
}
```

topic

*message type*





# Repetition

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# OP2 ROS Packages

robotis\_op

robotis\_op\_common

robotis\_op\_description

robotis\_op\_launch

robotis\_op\_moveit

robotis\_op\_teleop

robotis\_op\_simulation

robotis\_op\_simulation\_control

robotis\_op\_gazebo

robotis\_op\_simulation\_walking

robotis\_op\_ros\_control

robotis\_op\_camera



# How to use it

- Gazebo – physics simulator with OP2 model  
`roslaunch robotis_op_gazebo  
robotis_op_gazebo_position_control_soccer_field.launch`
- Rviz – monitoring tool (image, robot state, ...)  
`roslaunch rviz rviz`
- Dynamic reconfigure – dynamic parameter configuration  
`roslaunch rqt_reconfigure rqt_reconfigure`
- Build  
`cd ~/catkin_ws/  
catkin_make`
- Starting the ball tracker node  
`roslaunch robotis_op_ball_tracker_tutorial robotis_op_ball_tracker_tutorial_node`



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# Project I

- Ball tracking with Gazebo and real OP2
- Ball detection
  - Receive image as `sensor_msgs::Image` on the topic `/robotis_op/camera/image_raw`
  - Process with OpenCV

```
bool RobotisOPBallTrackingNode::detectCircles(const sensor_msgs::Image& msg, cv::Point& offset)
```
- Track movement
  - According to ball detection in the image
  - Publish pan and tilt position on as `std_msgs::Float64` on the topics `/robotis_op/j_pan_position_controller/command` and `/robotis_op/j_pan_position_controller/command`



# Project II

- Try walking towards the ball  
message type: `geometry_msgs::Twist`  
topic: `robotis_op/cmd_vel`



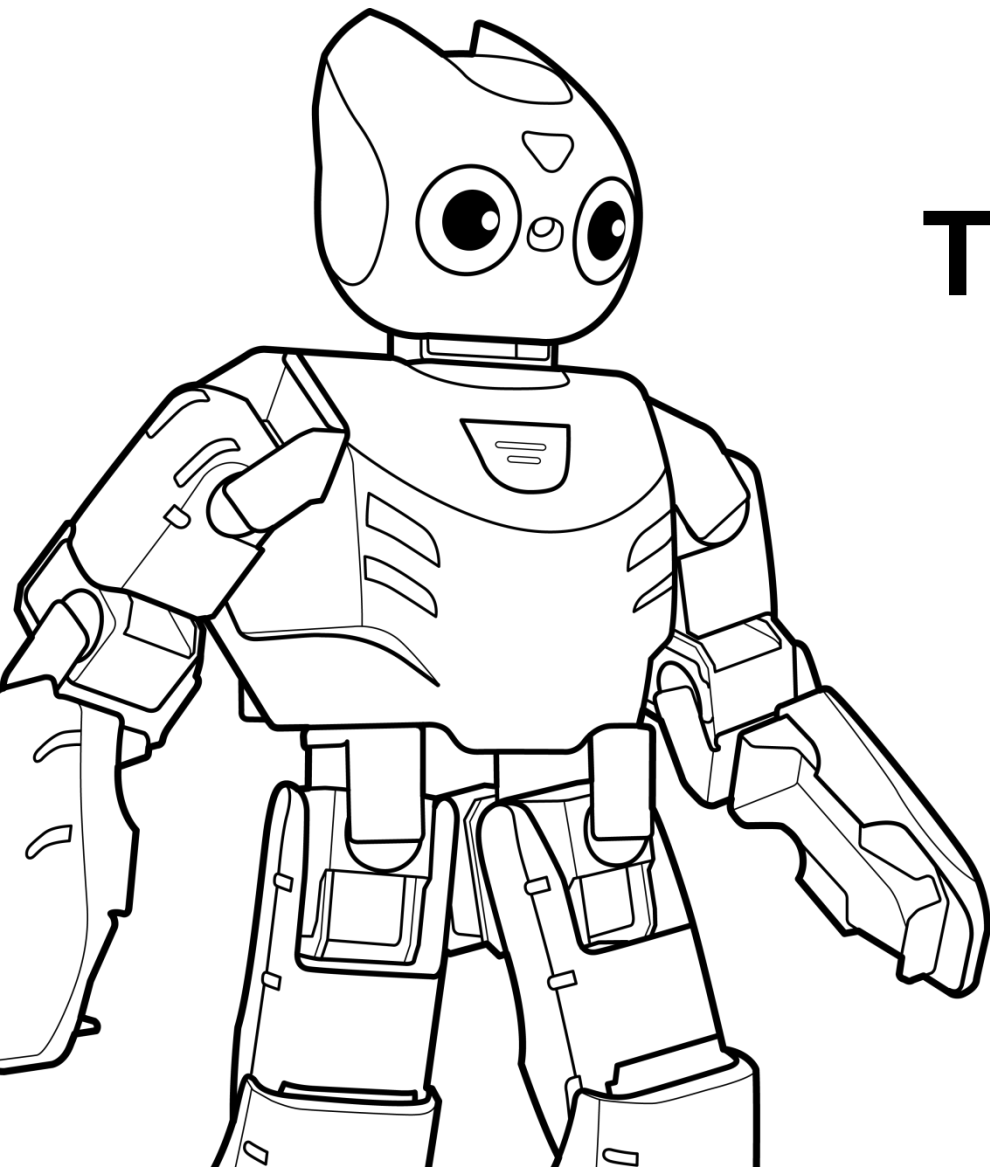


# Project III

- Ball tracking real OP2
  - Copy your code to the robot
  - Connect to robot and launch robot

```
ssh robotis@192.168.123.1  
sudo killall demo  
roslaunch robotis_op_onboard_launch robotis_op_whole_robot.launch
```
  - On your notebook

```
export ROS_MASTER_URI=http://192.168.123.1:11311
```



**THANK YOU**