ROS2 Setup Notes

Autonomous Exploration Development Environment

In an Ubuntu 22.04 system, install ROS2 Humble and the following dependencies.

sudo apt update

sudo apt install libusb-dev ros-humble-desktop-full ros-humble-joy ros-humble-gazebo-msgs \
ros-humble-gazebo-plugins ros-humble-gazebo-ros ros-humble-gazebo-ros2-control \
ros-humble-gazebo-ros-pkgs python3-colcon-common-extensions

In an Ubuntu 24.04 system, install ROS2 Jazzy and the following dependencies.

sudo apt update sudo apt install ros-jazzy-desktop-full ros-jazzy-pcl-ros libpcl-dev

Note that in ROS2 Jazzy, RVIZ is known to have issues with wayland. Use 'echo \$XDG_SESSION_TYPE' to check if wayland is being used. If yes, install X11 using the command lines below. Then, in the '/etc/gdm3/custom.conf' file, uncomment 'WaylandEnable=false' and reboot.

sudo apt update sudo apt-qet install xorg openbox

Follow our website to clone 'autonomous_exploration_development_environment'. Checkout the 'humble' or 'jazzy' branch, and follow instructions on the website to download the simulation environments. Then, compile and source the ROS workspace. **Make sure to download the simulation environments before compiling**.

colcon build --symlink-install --cmake-args -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release source install/setup.sh

Launch the system with one of the simulation environments. To launch with the 'garage' environment, use

ros2 launch vehicle_simulator system_garage.launch

To use a Matterport3D environment model (only compatible with Ubuntu 22.04), switch to the 'humble-matterport' branch, and follow instructions to setup Matterport3D environment models. Then, compile and source the ROS workspace, and launch the system.

ros2 launch vehicle simulator system matterport.launch

DSV Planner

Install the following dependencies. For Ubuntu 22.04 with ROS2 Humble,

sudo apt update

sudo apt install ros-humble-octomap-ros libgoogle-glog-dev libgflags-dev

For Ubuntu 24.04 with ROS2 Jazzy,

sudo apt update

sudo apt install ros-jazzy-octomap-ros octomap-tools libgoogle-glog-dev libgflags-dev

Follow our website to clone 'dsv_planner' and checkout the 'humble' or 'jazzy' branch. Then, compile and source the ROS workspace using the same commands with the system. After launching the system, launch the planner with one of the simulation environments.

ros2 launch dsvp_launch explore_garage.launch

If using a Matterport3D environment model, use

ros2 launch dsvp_launch explore_matterport.launch

TARE Planner

Follow our website to clone 'tare_planner' and checkout the 'humble' or 'jazzy' branch. Then, compile and source the ROS workspace using the same commands with the system. After launching the system, launch the planner with one of the simulation environments.

ros2 launch tare_planner explore_garage.launch

If using a Matterport3D environment model, use

ros2 launch tare_planner explore_matterport.launch

FAR Planner

Follow our website to clone 'far_planner' and checkout the 'humble' or 'jazzy' branch. Then, compile and source the ROS workspace using the same commands with the system. After launching the system, launch the planner.

ros2 launch far planner far planner.launch

If using a Matterport3D environment model, use

ros2 launch far_planner far_planner.launch config:=matterport