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1 Prerequisites

1.1 Equipment

- TurtleBot 2
- AR markers ... (TODO)

1.2 Software

To be able to use any TurtleBot 2 with all the basic features, you need to complete the following tutorials :

- Turtlebot Installation
- PC Installation
- Network Configuration

You also need the following software:

• GIT [Installation]

1.3 Workspace

1.3.1 Build workspace

You need a ROS workspace (catkin workspace) to build our project before executing it. If you are running the ball search on the TurtleBot PC you have to create the workspace on the TurtleBot PC. In the case your are running it on a remote PC, you have to create the workspace on this PC.

Place you where you want to build the workspace and execute the following commands:

```
> mkdir -p /catkin_ws/src
> cd /catkin_ws/src
> catkin_init_workspace
> cd ..
> catkin_make

Then, in .bashrc, add the following lines (it's normal if some of them are already there):
#Initialisation Turtlebot kinect
export TURTLEBOT_3D_SENSOR=kinect
#ROS Version
source /opt/ros/indigo/setup.bash
source <YOUR_PATH>/catkin_ws/devel/setup.bash
#Select corresponding TurtleBot on your network
export ROS_MASTER_URI=http://<IP_OF_TURTLEBOT>:11311
```

1.3.2 Download package

Now, you need to download the package containing the source code. Place you in your workspace (catkin_ws), and execute the following commands:

- > cd src
- > git clone https://github.com/Projet-Navigation-UPS/TurtleBot-pkgs

1.3.3 Build executables

Now that you have downloaded the source code, you just need to compile to build the executables files. Place you in your workspace (catkin_ws) and run the command:

> catkin_make

Several red lines must appear in the compilation description, it means that the executables we need have been created.

1.4 Map and markers configuration

1.4.1 Environment map

You need yo create the map of the environment in which your navigating if it is not already available in the folder /catkin_ws/src/TurtleBot-pkgs/turtlebot_proj_nav/map. To create the map, we use the turtlebot_navigation package which provides a SLAM mode (Tutorial link). After turning on the TurtleBot and its laptop, execute the following commands the TurtleBot laptop:

- > roslaunch turtlebot_bringup minimal.launch
- > roslaunch turtlebot_navigation gmapping_demo.launch

Then, on a remote computer, execute the visualization of the SLAM:

> roslaunch turtlebot_rviz_launchers view_navigation.launch

To make the robot move and explore the environment, execute :

> roslaunch turtlebot_teleop keyboard_teleop.launch --screen

Ounce the map is satisfying for the navigation, on another terminal you have to save it :

> rosrun map_server map_saver -f <PATH>/catkin_ws/src/TurtleBot-pkgs/turtlebot
_proj_nav/map/my_map

1.4.2 Markers disposition

Within our project we have used 16×16 markers placed 3 m away minimum from each other. We put their centers 31cm above the ground so the kinect-marker is as parallel as possible to the ground.

1.4.3 Graph of the markers

1.4.4 Markers static transforms

1.4.5 Visibility map

First, to generate the visibility map, it is necessary to previously have a map of the environment. This map is created virtually or by using the mapping available on the Turtlebot, used in the map_server .

The node $visib_pgmwriter_node.cpp$ must not be modified, all configurations are done directly in the $visib_init.cpp$ file. Indeed, the node launches the function $Writing_map_visib()$ that creates in a PGM file (Plain PGM: http://netpbm.sourceforge.net/doc/pgm.html#plainpgm) all markers defined in the graph.xml located in the /rsc folder. So for a given map size and for the configurations performed correctly in $visib_init.cpp$, just change the position and orientation of our markers in the graph.xml so that the new visibility map is automatically generated by running our $visib_pgmwriter_node.cpp$ node again.

> rosrun turtlebot_proj_launch visib_pgmwriter.cpp

For a different map scale, see the developer manual...

2 Navigation Between Markers

First, you need to turn on the TurtleBot (there is a switch button on the side of the robot base). Then, turn on the TurtleBot PC. We will now launch all the ROS nodes that we need to run our application.

2.1 On the TurtleBot PC

2.1.1 Basic features

If you are using the TurtleBot PC, open two terminals and chronologically execute the following commands to activate the minimal features and the vision features, one on each terminal:

- > roslaunch turtlebot_bringup minimal.launch
- > roslaunch turtlebot_bringup 3dsensor.launch

2.1.2 Navigation

(à compléter)

> roslaunch turtlebot_proj_nav navigation.launch

2.2 On a remote PC

2.2.1 Basic features

To execute the ball search from a remote PC, fist you have to ssh to the TurtleBot PC to launch the minimal and vision features. Open a fist terminal and write the following commands:

- > ssh turtlebot@<TURTLEBOTP_IP>
- > roslaunch turtlebot_bringup minimal.launch

Then, in a second terminal:

- > ssh turtlebot@<TURTLEBOTP_IP>
- > roslaunch turtlebot_bringup 3dsensor.launch

2.2.2 Navigation

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> roslaunch turtlebot_proj_launch navigation.launch

2.3 Behaviour of the navigation

(à compléter)