

# ROS Workshop - Tutorial 2 - Install ROS

## ME 4140 - Introduction to Robotics - Fall 2021

### Overview:

After completing *Tutorial 1 - Virtualize Ubuntu*, your new operating system is running, and you are ready to install ROS. You can read more about the installation [here](#) on the wiki.





### System Requirements:

- **OS:** This tutorial is intended for the Ubuntu 18.04 LTS operating system. Alternate flavors of 18.04 (i.e. - Mint, Mate, kbuntu) may work but have not been tested.
- **Internet:** Your computer must be connected to the internet to proceed. Downloading and installing ROS may take approximately 15 to 30 minutes .

### Disclaimer:

- **Copy and Paste Errors:** It is strongly recommended to use copy and paste to enter the commands in this tutorial, but **this will not work correctly in the ilearn PDF viewer**. Use the tutorial webpage or download the PDF to copy the commands directly.
- **Backup:** If you are using a virtual machine, it is recommend to make a snapshot of your virtual machine in case you want to revert. (See *Tutorial 1 - Virtualize Ubuntu* )

### Installation Instructions:

Press  +  +  to open a new terminal, then carefully copy each command and paste it into the terminal then press  . **The terminal commands are shown in gray boxes.**

1. Setup your sources.list to accept software from packages.ros.org.

```
sudo sh -c 'echo "deb http://packages.ros.org/ros/ubuntu $(lsb_release -sc) main" > /etc/apt/sources.list.d/ros-latest.list'
```

2. Set up your keys which are used authenticate software packages for security.

```
sudo apt install curl # if you haven't already installed curl
curl -s https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ros/rosdistro/master/ros.asc
| sudo apt-key add -
```

3. Update your Ubuntu system. It is a good idea to do this regularly.

```
sudo apt update
```

4. Download and install ROS Melodic Desktop-Full. Depending on your network connection this step will take some time. Now is a good time to get a ☕ ☹.

```
sudo apt install ros-melodic-desktop-full
```

5. Environment Setup (2 separate commands). This appends the `.bashrc` file which runs each time you open a new terminal.

```
echo "source /opt/ros/melodic/setup.bash" >> ~/.bashrc
```

```
source ~/.bashrc
```

6. Install Development Tools. You are almost there!

```
sudo apt install python-rosdep python-rosinstall \  
python-rosinstall-generator python-wstool build-essential
```

7. Initialize rosdep (2 separate commands)

```
sudo rosdep init
```

```
rosdep update
```

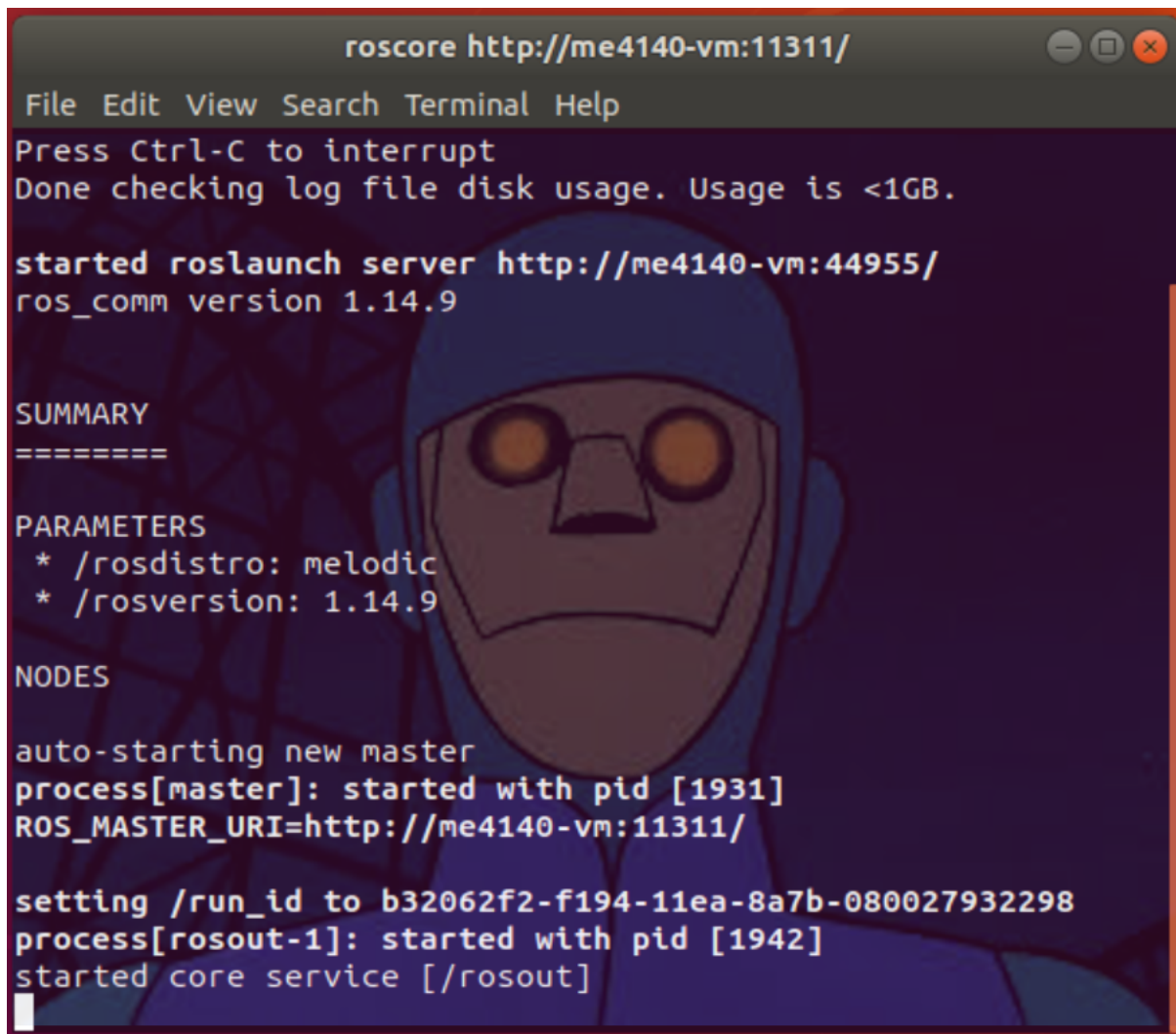
After completing Step 7 you have installed ROS on your Ubuntu system. Now it is time to test the installation.

## Test ROS Installation

Close all open terminal windows. Next, open a new terminal and try the following command.

```
roscore
```

If the installation was successful, the terminal output will be *similar* to the image below.



```
roscore http://me4140-vm:11311/
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Press Ctrl-C to interrupt
Done checking log file disk usage. Usage is <1GB.

started roslaunch server http://me4140-vm:44955/
ros_comm version 1.14.9

SUMMARY
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PARAMETERS
* /rostdistro: melodic
* /rosversion: 1.14.9

NODES

auto-starting new master
process[master]: started with pid [1931]
ROS_MASTER_URI=http://me4140-vm:11311/

setting /run_id to b32062f2-f194-11ea-8a7b-080027932298
process[rosout-1]: started with pid [1942]
started core service [/rosout]
█
```

Abort the roscore process by clicking in the terminal and pressing **Ctrl** + **C**, then close the terminal window. Congratulations, you have installed ROS Melodic.

## Tutorial Complete:

If you see ROS start in the terminal your ROS installation was successful!