



# ROS package

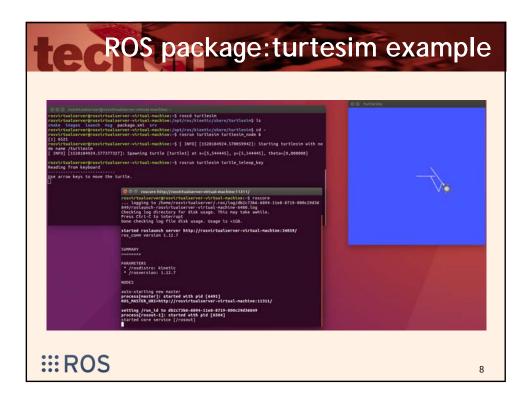
- ROS uses packages to organize its programs
- All the files that a specific ROS program contains; all its cpp files, python files, configuration files, compilation files, launch files, and parameters files.
- With the following structure:
  - launch folder: Contains launch files
  - src folder: Source files (cpp, python)
  - CMakeLists.txt: List of cmake rules for compilation
  - package.xml: Package information and dependencies

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# PROS package:turtlesim example • Terminal 1 \$ roscore • Terminal 2 \$ roscd turtlesim \$ ls \$ cd ~ \$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim\_node & \$ rosrun turtlesim turtle\_teleop\_key ■■ ROS





# ROSlaunch

- It is a tool for launching multiple nodes (as well as setting parameters)
- Base on \*.launch files, written in XML
- If roscore not yet running, launch automatically starts it
- Usage: Browse to the folder and start a launch file with

roslaunch package\_name file\_name.launch

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# ROSlaunch: turtlesim example

· turtlesim.launch

```
<launch>
    <!-- the turtle -->
    <node pkg="turtlesim" type="turtlesim_node"
name="turtesim_node" output="screen">
    </node>

    <!-- turtle controls -->
    <node pkg="turtlesim" type="turtle_teleop_key"
name="turtesim_teleop_key" output="screen">
     </node>

</launch>
```

 Usage: Browse to the folder and start a launch file with roslaunch turtlesim turtlesim.launch

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#### ROSlaunch: xml structure

- · launch: Root element of the launch file
- node: Each <node> tag specifies a node to be launched
- name: Name of the node (free to choose)
- pkg: Package containing the node
- type: Type of the node, there must be a corresponding executable with the same name
- output: Specifies where to output log messages (screen: console, log: log file)

```
<launch>
<node name="listener" pkg="roscpp_tutorials"
type="listener" output="screen"/>
<node name="talker" pkg="roscpp_tutorials"
type="talker" output="screen"/>
</launch>
```

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# ROSlaunch: arguments

 Launch files with <arg> tag→ which works like a parameter (default optional)

```
<arg name="arg_name" default="default_value"/>
```

Use the arguments in the launch file as:

```
$(arg arg_name)
```

When launching, from the terminal:

```
> roslaunch launch_file.launch arg_name:=value
```

Include other launch files:

```
<include file="package_name"/>
```

Find the system path to other packages

```
$(find package_name)
```

Pass arguments to the included file

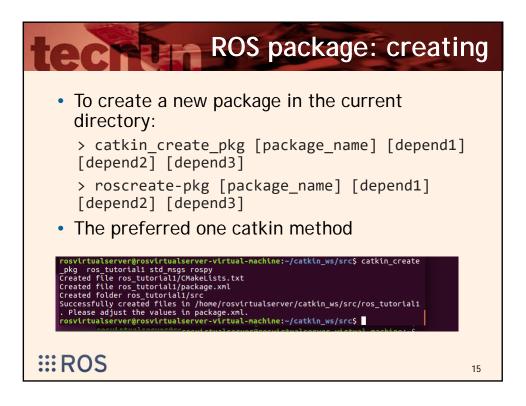
```
<arg name="arg_name" value="value"/>
```

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# ROSlaunch: example

```
<launch>
    <arg name="sim_time_on" default="true"/>
    <arg name="world" default="gazebo_ros_range"/>
    <arg name="debug" default="false"/>
    <arg name="physics" default="ode"/>
    <group if="$(arg sim_time_on)">
      <param name="/sim_time_on" value="true" />
    </group>
    <include file="$(find gazebo_ros)</pre>
                     /launch/empty_world.launch">
      <arg name="world_name" value="$(find gazebo_plugins)/</pre>
                    test/test_worlds/$(arg world).world"/>
      <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)"/>
      <arg name="physics" value="$(arg physics)"/>
    </include>
  </launch>
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```





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#### ROS package: creating with vscode

- We can also create catkin packages from visual code studio thanks to the ROS plugin.
- Other ROS commands available in Visual Studio Code:

#### ROS package: structure

The typical dependencies:

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- std\_msgs → standard structures to be used for topics
- rospy → if we want to program it in Python
- roscpp → if we want to program it in C++
- Two files are created
  - > CMakeLists.txt → the input to the CMake build system for building software packages.
  - > package.xml → meta information about the package.

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#### ROS package: createing helloworld\_pkg

~\$ cd ~/catkin\_ws/src
~/catkin\_ws/src\$ catkin\_create\_pkg helloworld\_pkg

Created file helloworld\_pkg/CMakeLists.txt
Created file helloworld\_pkg/package.xml
Successfully created files in
/home/rosvirtualserver/catkin\_ws/src/helloworld\_pkg. Please
adjust the values in package.xml.

~/catkin\_ws/src\$ ls |grep hello
helloworld\_pkg

~/catkin\_ws/src\$ cd helloworld\_pkg/ ~/catkin\_ws/src/helloworld\_pkg\$ ls CMakeLists.txt package.xml

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#### ROS package: package.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<package format="2">
<name>hellowolrd</name>
<version>0.0.0</version>
<description>This is my first ROS
package.</description>
<maintainer email="noname@noplace.com">my
name</maintainer>
clicense>BSD</license>
<url type="website">http://www.tecnun.es</url>
<author email="noname@noplace.com"> my name
</author>
<buildtool_depend>catkin</buildtool_depend>
<depend>roscpp</depend>
<depend>sensor_msgs</depend>
</package>
```

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ROS package: package.xml

    For C++

   cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.3)
   project(helloworld_pkg)
   ## Use C++11
   add_definitions(--std=c++11)
   ## Find catkin macros and libraries
  find_package(catkin REQUIRED
  COMPONENTS

    For Python

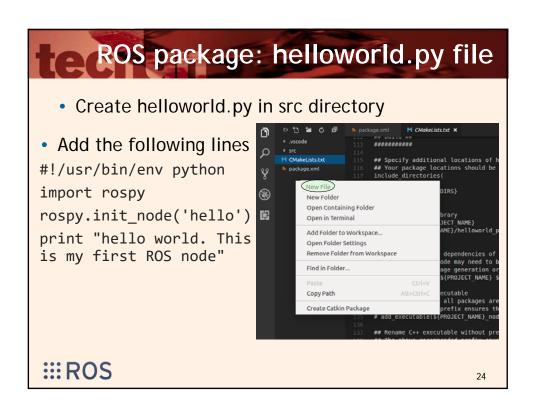
  roscpp
   {\tt std\_msgss}
                                   cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.3)
                                   project(helloworld_pkg)
                                   ## Find catkin macros and libraries
                                   find_package(catkin REQUIRED
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                                   std_msgss
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```

```
Catkin_package(
INCLUDE_DIRS include
# LIBRARIES
CATKIN_DEPENDS roscpp std_msgs
# DEPENDS
)
include_directories(include ${catkin_INCLUDE_DIRS})

add_executable(${PROJECT_NAME} src/${PROJECT_NAME}_node.cpp
src/helloworld_pkg_node.cpp)

target_link_libraries(${PROJECT_NAME} ${catkin_LIBRARIES})
```





```
• Create helloworld.launch in launch directory
• Add the following lines

<!-- My Package launch file -->

<node pkg="helloworld_pkg" type="helloworld.py"
name="hello" output="screen">

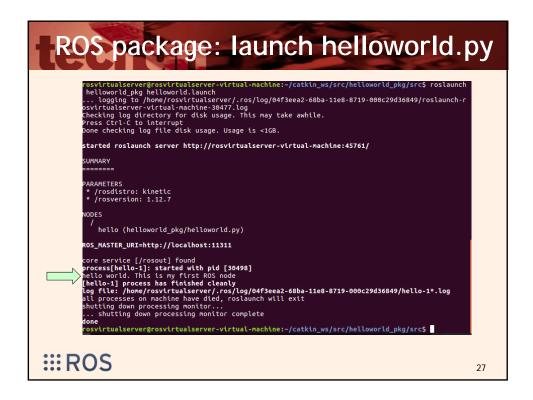
</node>

</launch>

helloworld.py helloworld.launch >

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#### ROS package: exercise helloworld\_loop

- Create helloworld\_loop.py node
- Create helloworld\_loop.launch
- Execute helloworld\_loop node
  - roslaunch
  - rosrun
- Test the node is on
  - rosnode list
  - rosnode info :

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### ROS package: build helloworld\_pkg

- · When the package is finished
  - > cd ~/catkin\_ws
  - > catkin\_make
- This instruction → compiles the src directory and creates the build directory
- If only python programming → required

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