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# 1 Open Robotics Automation Virtual Environment

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This document covers the core OpenRAVE concepts, the C++ API, C++ examples, and C++ usage of the plugins offered in the base installation.

Visit the **{ official documentation page }** for information on all other OpenRAVE features.

## 1.1 Getting Started

- [Building and Installing](#)
- [Basic Usage and Loading Environments](#)
- [{ Environment Variables }](#)

## 1.2 Architecture

- [Introduction to the OpenRAVE Architecture](#)
- [Base Interface Concepts](#)
- [Writing Plugins and Interfaces](#)
- [Writing and Using Controllers](#)
- [Cloning](#)

## 1.3 Reference

- [Base Interface Classes](#)
- [Executable Programs](#)
- [Geometric Primitives](#)
- [Affine Math](#)
- [C++ Examples](#)

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## 2 Basic Usage and Loading Environments

To check out the plugins loaded type

```
openrave --listplugins
```

To load a simple robot into the scene type:

```
openrave robots/puma.robot.xml
```

If a plugin declares a ProblemInstance named **MyProblem**, then to launch the problem at startup type

```
openrave robots/puma.robot.xml -problem MyProblem 'myarguments'
```

The `openrave.py` program is similar to `openrave`, but supports much more functionality. In fact, `openrave` potentially calls into `openrave.py` for commands it cannot support.

## 3 Writing Plugins and Interfaces

### 3.1 Contents

- [Making a Simple Interface](#)
- [Building the Plugin](#)
- [Using the Plugin](#)
- [Documenting Interfaces](#)
- [Loading Plugins](#)

Every plugin needs to export several functions as defined in [Plugin Export Functions](#) to notify OpenRAVE what interfaces it has. When a plugin is first loaded, it is validated by the environment and its [OpenRAVEGetPluginAttributes](#) function will be called in order so the OpenRAVE core can register the names of its provided interfaces. Plugins themselves can query functionality offer by other plugins through the environment's interface querying functions.

### 3.2 Making a Simple Interface

Example [plugin.cpp](#) creates a `OpenRAVE::ProblemInstance` interface named **MyProblem** and have it offer two commands: **numbodies** and **load**.

The first `#include` the compiler sees has to be `openrave/openrave.h`. Then for the main C++ file, we include `openrave/plugin.h` for several helper functions.

```
#include <openrave/openrave.h>
#include <openrave/plugin.h>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace std;
using namespace OpenRAVE;

class MyModule : public ModuleBase
{
```

Now register the two commands of the problem. `boost::bind` is necessary for specifying member functions as callbacks.

Provide the implementations for the member functions:

It is recommend to plugin authors to include `openrave/pluginh` in their main C++ file, this will provide implementations for the export functions and ask the user to provide a new set of functions [CreateInterfaceValidated](#) and [GetPluginAttributesValidated](#).

Providing **MyProblem** would look like:

In order to tell OpenRAVE what is provided, have to define:

### 3.3 Building the Plugin

#### 3.3.1 Using CMake (Linux and Windows)

The main build system of OpenRAVE is cmake, and [FindOpenRAVE.cmake](#) can be used to find the OpenRAVE installation. An example of the `CMakeLists.txt` file for compiling a plugin using [FindOpenRAVE.cmake](#) is:

```
cmake_minimum_required (VERSION 2.6)
project (plugincpp)
find_package (OpenRAVE REQUIRED)
include_directories (${OpenRAVE_INCLUDE_DIRS})
link_directories (${OpenRAVE_LIBRARY_DIRS})
add_library (plugincpp SHARED plugincpp.cpp)
set_target_properties (plugincpp PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "${OpenRAVE_CXX_FLAGS}" LINK_FLAGS "${OpenRAVE_CXX_FLAGS}")
target_link_libraries (plugincpp ${OpenRAVE_LIBRARIES})
```

#### 3.3.2 Other Build Systems

If not using CMake, then here's how the development files are organized:

##### Linux Users

Depending on where openrave was installed, a [openrave-config](#) should have been created in the `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL/bin` directory. It is possible to call `openrave-config --cflags` to get the correct paths and flags to include in gcc to link with `libopenrave.so`.

### 3.4 Using the Plugin

There are several ways to load the generated plugin.



- The most simplest method is to add its installation directory to {OPENRAVE\_PLUGINS}. OpenRAVE will automatically load it up at start up. You can confirm this is the case using:

```
openrave --listplugins
```

- A more explicit way is to load it from the command line using any one of the following methods:

```
openrave --loadplugin $SOMEPATH/libplugincpp
openrave --loadplugin $SOMEPATH/libplugincpp.so
openrave --loadplugin ./libplugincpp.so
```

where \$SOMEPATH is the absolute/relative path of the shared object.

- Another way is to load it from the C++/Python/APIs:

#### C++

```
RaveLoadPlugin(env, "plugincpp");
```

#### Python

```
RaveLoadPlugin('plugincpp')
```

#### Octave

```
orEnvLoadPlugin('plugincpp');
```

Once the plugin is loaded, we can create the interface and call its commands to load an environment and return the number of bodies:

#### C++

```
ProblemInstancePtr prob = RaveCreateProblem(env, "MyProblem");
env->AddModule(prob, "");
stringstream sinput, sout;
// input the load command
sinput << "load data/lab1.env.xml";
if( !prob->SendCommand(sout, sinput) ) {
    RAVELOG_WARN("command failed!\n");
}
else {
    sinput.str(""); // have to reset the stream from the previous command
    sinput << "numbodies"; // input the numbodies command
    prob->SendCommand(sout, sinput);
    int numbodies;
    sout >> numbodies;
    RAVELOG_INFO("number of bodies are: %d\n", numbodies);
}
```

#### Python

```

prob = RaveCreateProblem(env, 'MyProblem')
env.AddModule(prob, args='')
cmdout = prob.SendCommand('load data/lab1.env.xml')
if cmdout is None:
    raveLogWarn('command failed!')
else:
    cmdout = prob.SendCommand('numbodies')
    print 'number of bodies are: ', cmdout

```

**Octave** (only simple commands possible)

```

prob = orEnvCreateProblem('MyProblem');
orProblemSendCommand('load data/lab1.env.xml', prob);
numbodies = orProblemSendCommand('numbodies', prob);
disp(['number of bodies are: ' num2str(numbodies)])

```

### 3.5 Documenting Interfaces

The format of all interface documentation is the widely adopted standard **reStructuredText**. The description of an interface and all information about its usage should be provided by two places:

- [OpenRAVE::InterfaceBase::GetDescription\(\)](#) - Returns the full documentation of the interface description. If opening new sections, do not to use '-'.
- [OpenRAVE::InterfaceBase::RegisterCommand\(\)](#) - Help string in every command registered. If opening new sections, do not to use '-', '=', and '~'.

These descriptions are automatically parsed using Sphinx and put on the web.

The reason why doxygen and other commenting tools are not adopted for plugin documentation is because the [Base Interface Classes](#) are the only binding between plugins. Even if the header file or provided functions of a particular plugin were provided, other plugins would not be able to use them if not offered through the OpenRAVE's channels.

### 3.6 Loading Plugins

Many mechanisms have been put in place to prevent mismatching/old plugins to be loaded by the core. Using interfaces from stale plugins can lead to unexpected crashes that are very difficult to debug. It is possible to automatically come up with a unique hash of the interface functions and members by running each interface through a C++ lexer and then creating a 128bit unique md5 hash. In order to protect plugins compiled with a different version, OpenRAVE creates a md5 hash from each interface class definition using [cpp-gen-md5](#) and stores them in `openrave/interfacehashesh`.

The interface hash can be retrieved using [OpenRAVE::RaveGetInterfaceHash](#). For an interface to be loaded successfully, the plugin has to check that the hash the core is

using matches the hash compiled with the plugin. These types of checks ensure that stale plugins will never be loaded; helper functions are offered in `openrave/pluginh`, which all plugin authors should use.

## 4 C++ Examples

### 4.1 Building

All C++ examples are stored in `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL/share/openrave/cppexamples`. Use the `CMakeLists.txt` file to build the examples by:

```
cd `openrave-config --prefix`/share/openrave/cppexamples
mkdir build
cd build
cmake ..
make
```

#### 4.1.1 OpenRAVE Installations

- [FindOpenRAVE::cmake](#) - include this in cmake projects for automatic detection of OpenRAVE.

### 4.2 Examples Plugins

- [customreader::cpp](#)
- [plugincpp::cpp](#)

### 4.3 Examples loading the OpenRAVE core:

- [ikfastloader::cpp](#)
- [orcollision::cpp](#)
- [orconveyormovement::cpp](#)
- [orikfilter::cpp](#)
- [orloadviewer::cpp](#)
- [orshowsensors::cpp](#)
- [ormulticontrol::cpp](#)
- [orplanning\\_ik::cpp](#)
- [orplanning\\_planner::cpp](#)
- [orplanning\\_module::cpp](#)
- [orpythonbinding::cpp](#)
- [ortrajectory::cpp](#)

## **4.4 Linking with Other Libraries**

- [opencvsaving.cpp](#)

## 5 Executable Programs

- openrave\_exe
- [openrave-config](#)

### 5.1 openrave-config

Used to find the OpenRAVE installation location and all the include/development/examples files.

Usage:

```
openrave-config
  [--prefix[=DIR]]
  [--exec-prefix[=DIR]]
  [--version] [--cflags]
  [--libs]
  [--libs-core]
  [--libs-only-l]
  [--libs-only-L]
  [--cflags-only-I]
  [--shared-libs]
  [--python-dir]
  [--octave-dir]
  [--matlab-dir]
  [--usage | --help]
```

## 6 Building and Installing

OpenRAVE uses **CMake**, which can create the correct build systems files for a variety of system configurations. Refer to the pages below for specific systems:

- [Building and Installing on Linux](#)
- [Building and Installing on Windows](#)
- [Building and Installing on Mac OSX](#)

### 6.1 CMake Options

The root Makefile creates a `build` directory and calls `cmake` with a set of options. All compiled object files are stored in `build`. There are many `cmake` options that control how OpenRAVE is built. Once OpenRAVE is built, most of them can be set by executing

```
cmake build
```

in the root sources folder. It is also possible to call `cmake` from the command line with a new set of options:

```
cd build; cmake -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/my/new/install/dir -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Debug ..
```

- **Video Recording** To disable `ffmpeg` video recording, find the `OPT_VIDEORECORDING` option and turn it to `OFF`. It is possible to set these options during the `cmake` build time by executing `cmake` yourself

```
cmake -DOPT_VIDEORECORDING=OFF ..
```

- **Double Precision** To compile OpenRAVE with **double precision** (ie all `dReal` types become **doubles**), set `OPT_DOUBLE_PRECISION` to `ON` during `cmake`. For example:

```
cmake -DOPT_DOUBLE_PRECISION=ON ..
```

- **Static Libraries** To also build static libraries of `openrave` use the `OPT_STATIC` option. Plugins will still be linked dynamically.

```
cmake -DOPT_STATIC=ON ..
```

- **Plugin Compilation** It is possible to only compile the core and skip the plugins using the `OPT_PLUGINS` option.

```
cmake -DOPT_PLUGINS=OFF ..
```

## 6.2 Install Directory Structure

- bin
  - [openrave](#) - Start a simple environment and attach the default viewer, collision checkers, physics engines, and servers.
  - [openrave.py](#) - Start a simple environment through [openravepy](#). Allows access to all openrave functionality including database generation and examples.
  - [openrave-config](#) - configuration file that helps users find the OpenRAVE installation.
  - openrave-hashpy - Query the body and robot hashes.
- include
  - openrave - Directory for all public OpenRAVE header files.
  - **openrave-core.h** - Header file for instantiating the [OpenRAVE Core](#)
- lib
  - **libopenrave** (.so, .a, .dll, .lib) - Library that all plugins should link to offering the [Base Interface Classes](#).
  - **libopenrave-core** (.so, .a, .dll, .lib) - Library that allows any application to start the OpenRAVE core internally.
  - cmake
    - \* openraveX.Y
      - **openrave-config.cmake** - cmake file for searching for openrave installations
      - **openrave-config-version.cmake** - cmake file for searching for openrave installations
  - pythonX.Y
    - \* site-packages (dist-packages)
      - openravepy - Python bindings, database generators, and examples. Directory structure is explained [here](#).
- share
  - openrave
    - \* cppexamples - All C++ examples
      - **CMakeLists.txt** - The [cmake](#) file used to compile all the examples.
    - \* data - Loadable OpenRAVE environment and object files.
    - \* matlab - All Matlab scripting functions and examples. Include this directory into the MATLAB path.



- \* models - 3D model resources
- \* octave - All Octave scripting functions and examples. Include this directory into the OCTAVE\_PATH.
- \* plugins - Plugins compiled by the OpenRAVE main distribution.
- \* robots - Robot XML files usually containing just a <robot> or <kinbody> tag.

## 6.3 Building and Installing on Linux

Download the sources from [sourceforge](https://sourceforge.net).

```
svn co https://openrave.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/openrave/tags/latest_stable openrave
```

OpenRAVE works only with qt4! Before compiling SoQt or OpenRAVE make sure to remove any qt3 related dev packages like qt3-dev-tools or libqt3-headers.

If there are compilation errors with templates, might have to use gcc version 4.1 or greater. You can check your version of gcc by `gcc --version`

### 6.3.1 Installing from Package Manager

#### 6.3.1.1 Ubuntu

```
sudo add-apt-repository ppa:openrave/release
sudo sh -c 'echo "deb-src http://ppa.launchpad.net/openrave/release/ubuntu `lsb_release -cs` main" > /etc/apt/sources.list.d/openrave.list'
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get build-dep openrave
```

#### 6.3.1.2 Fedora Core Users

Might need to add the livna yum repository for ffmpeg. To install the necessary packages type

```
sudo yum install qt4-devel Coin2-devel glew-devel gsm-devel x264 x264-devel ffmpeg-devel libdc1394-devel
```

Be careful if installing **soqt-devel** from the package manager, it may be compiled with the wrong version of Qt. If compiling SoQt from sources, check QTDIR and make sure it points to the correct version.

### 6.3.2 Necessary libraries for Old Linux Distros

(Only install these libraries from sources if not in package manager.)

- `boost`
- `Coin3d`
- `SoQt`
- **x86-64 users:** SoQt might give a compilation error in `SoQtComponent.cpp`. To fix it, go into `src/Inventor/Qt/SoQtComponent.cpp:103` and replace `unsigned long key` with `SbDict::Key key`.

### 6.3.3 Collision Checkers and Physics Simulators

Although OpenRAVE is not tied to any particular collision checker, it requires at least one is installed to get basic functions. Here are the following libraries that have OpenRAVE plugins:

- **ODE Collision/Physics** - install from sources 0.8-0.10.1 tested to work. It is possible to compile ODE with double precision.
  - For 0.10.1, configuring with `--enable-new-trimesh` option will randomly crash openrave, so use at your own risk.
  - If not using `enable-new-trimesh`, disabling asserts (via `--disable-asserts`) is necessary due to some weird bug in normalization bug.
  - For 0.10+. If installing on x86-64 distro, configure ODE with `--enable-shared`.
- **Bullet Collision** - Need to install to a system directory so OpenRAVE can find it using `pkg-config`. If using `autotools configure`, need to remove `install-sh` before running `autogen.sh`. Bullet is detected using `pkg-config`, so `bullet.pc` is needed.
- **PQP Collision** - source code separate inside **pqp** plugin.

### 6.3.4 Python

In order to use the python bindings through the `openravepy` module, you'll need to install python, boost python, python numpy, and python sympy. .

To setup the python path in bash add the following line:

```
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:`openrave-config --python-dir`
```

### 6.3.5 Octave/Matlab

Both **Octave** and Matlab are supported and the OpenRAVE build system automatically detects and compiles the mex files for each.

Octave users:

- Make sure `mkoctfile` is in your path. If installing octave from the package managers, also install the **octave headers** package.
- Add `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL/share/openrave/octave` to `OCTAVE_PATH` (default is `/usr/local/share/openrave/octave`).

Matlab users:

- make sure `mex` is in the system path
- Compile the `*.cpp` files inside `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL/share/openrave-x.y/matlab` and addit to the `MATLAB Path`.

### 6.3.6 Building OpenRAVE

After all necessary libraries have been installed, it is time to finally build and install OpenRAVE. In the root `openrave` folder type

```
make
```

This will compile all files. To install all the files type

```
make install
```

Because multiple `openrave` versions can co-exist in a system, to install all files except symlinks so that previous installations are not clobbered, do:

```
make altinstall
```

To choose a different install directory, type

```
make prefix=/my/new/dir
```

In case libraries are added after the initial install of OpenRAVE, remove the `cmake` cached files using:

```
rm build/CMakeCache.txt
```

If the cached files are not removed, the new system settings will not be noticed.

### 6.3.7 Bash Shell

Can enable automatic completion of several openrave programs like `openrave.py` by sourcing the `openravebash` file. Add this to your `~/.bashrc` file:

```
source `openrave-config --prefix`/share/openrave/openravebash
```

## 6.4 Building and Installing on Windows

**NOTE:** Only Windows XP has been tested. Windows 7 and others have been reported to work, but might need to modify the executable properties to **windows95 compatibility mode** after the executable has been built.

It is recommended to use [OpenRAVE](#) from the official [Windows Installers on Sourceforge](#).

### 6.4.1 Installation of 3rd Party Software

Download the sources from [sourceforge](#) ([Tortoise SVN](#) is recommended). The subversion url is:

```
https://openrave.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/openrave/tags/latest_stable
```

Check out the openrave sources **in a path whose directories do not contain spaces!!!**. For example `C:\openrave`.

A lot of the 3rd party libraries are already inside the openrave sources. However, the following need to be installed:

- [Latest Boost C++ Libraries](#) - Select **Multithreaded DLL!**
  - A local boost installation is included in the sources in case cannot use a system install.
- [Qt4 MSVC Installer](#)
- [CMake](#).
- For openravepy python bindings (**make sure Python version is compatible with Boost.Python! 2.6 is recommended!**):
  - [Python 2.6.6](#)
  - [numpy superpack](#)
  - **Highly Recommended:** [PyReadline](#) and [IPython](#)
  - **Recommended:** [SciPy](#) - the scientific library for Python is recommended.

- `SymPy` - Python Symbolic Mathematics.
- `openravepy` will not compile in Debug mode unless the Python debug libraries are also installed.

#### 6.4.1.1 Installation of 3rd Party Software

Both `Octave` and Matlab are supported and the OpenRAVE build system automatically detects and compiles the mex files for each.

- If using Octave, make sure to add the path to `mkoctfile` to the `$Path` environment variable. If you are using Matlab, make sure that the path to `mex` is in the `PATH` environment variable (ie, typing `mex` on the command line gives the MATLAB compiler). On Windows Mik-Tex overwrites the `mex` program with its own version, so any matlab paths have to be declared before Mik-Tex in the `PATH` variable. You can check if the paths are set correctly by starting up the command prompt and typing `mkoctfile` or `mex`.

Octave users:

- Make sure `mkoctfile` is in your system path.
- If you having problems with the JVM, try installing octave using `gnuplot` (rather than `jhandles`).
- Compiling mex files should use the same compiler as was used to build the Octave package. As of October 2008, the official Octave binaries are compiled with Visual Studio 2005 (freely available).
- Add `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL\share\openrave\octave` to the Octave path (default is `C:\Program Files\openrave\share\openrave\octave`).

Matlab users:

- make sure `mex` is in your path and actually points to the Matlab `mex` program.
- Compile the `*.cpp` files inside `$OPENRAVE_INSTALL\share\openrave-*\matlab` and add to the MATLAB Path. Can use `runmex.bat` for that.

#### 6.4.2 Building OpenRAVE

Run the `CMake` GUI and specify a build directory somewhere out of the current source directory. Click on the `Configure` and `Generate` buttons. For Visual Studio

users, this will generate a **OpenRAVE.sln** file. Open the Microsoft Visual Studio solution file and select the **RelWithDebInfo** or **Release** configuration, and build everything. Once done, build the INSTALL project. This should install everything in `C:\Program Files\openrave`. The installation directory can be changed by configuring CMake's `CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX` variable to a new path. If using the command-line, can specify the install directory with `-DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX="my/new/install/dir"`.

Before running anything, have to modify the following environment variables:

- `PYTHONPATH` - add `"C:\\Program Files\\openrave\\share\\openrave"`
- `Path` - add `"C:\\Program Files\\openrave\\bin"` to the front. Furthermore, if Qt and Boost are installed in separate directories, have to add the location of their DLLs to Path (for example `C:\\Qt\\4.7.1\\bin` and `C:\\Program Files\\boost\\boost_1_44\\lib`). Be very careful when putting it in the back since several user have had problems with different Qt libraries conflicting!

### 6.4.3 Updating Subversion

Whenever updating subversion, it should just be sufficient to run `runcmake_win.bat` again and then open the solution file build all the projects, and then manually build the INSTALL project. If an update to libraries or programs happens (for example Octave/MATLAB/python was installed/uninstalled), it is recommended to clear the cmake cache by first removing `build\\CMakeCache.txt` before running `runcmake_win.bat`.

## 6.5 Building and Installing on Mac OSX

First execute this command:

```
sudo port install cmake boost libxml2 glew py27-numpy py27-pyplusplus
```

The `py27-xx` are for python 2.7 users. If a different version of python will be used, the names will have to change correspondingly. Note that OpenRAVE automatically chooses the newest version of python it can find, therefore it is necessary that the python bindings also correspond to this version.

Sometimes it is easiest to install boost python directly from sources. Once installed, make sure to set the `BOOST_ROOT` environment variable to point to it before compiling OpenRAVE.

It is also necessary to install these libraries:

- [Qt](#) - download the installer. Users have reported problems with using **port install qt4-mac** due to Cocoa. It is highly recommended to use the official qt4 installer package.
- [Coin3D](#) - build from sources
- [SoQt](#) - build from sources. Might ask you to set QTDIR to the correct directory.
- ffmpeg and other video recording codecs

After this, follow the instructions on [Building and Installing on Linux](#).

## 7 Introduction to the OpenRAVE Architecture

### 7.1 Fundamental Structure

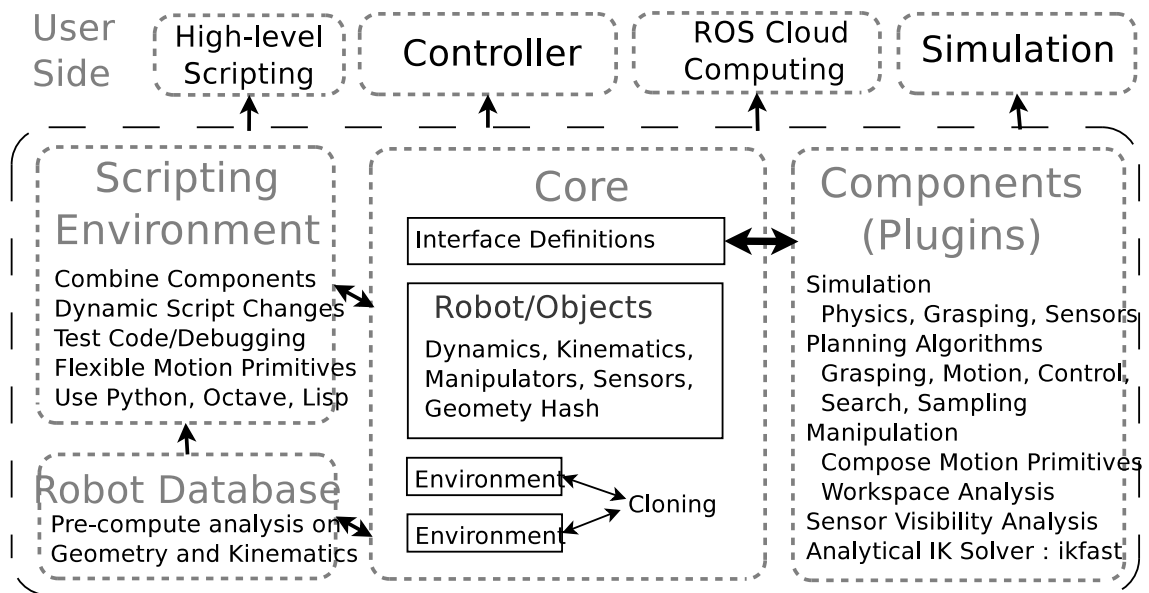


Figure 1: OpenRAVE architecture

OpenRAVE is divided in four main components as shown in the above figure:

- Core Layer** The core is composed of a set of [Base Interface Classes](#) defining how plugins share information, and it provides an environment interface that maintains a world state, which serves as the gateway to all functions offered through OpenRAVE. The global openrave state manages the loaded plugins, multiple independent environments, and logging. On the other hand, the [environment](#) combines collision checkers, viewers, physics engines, the kinematic world, and all its interfaces into a coherent robotics world state.
- Plugins Layer** OpenRAVE is designed as a plugin-based architecture where a plugin offers implementations of the [Base Interface Classes](#) that are loaded dynamically into the [environment](#). Plugins can be linked with other robotics libraries allowing [OpenRAVE](#) to expand its functionality, or it can offer [OpenRAVE](#) services to another robotics system. During startup, OpenRAVE parses the {OPENRAVE\_PLUGINS} environment variable and loads all the plugins it finds.



- Refer to [Writing Plugins and Interfaces](#) for a tutorial on how to build and compile plugins.
- Refer to [Base Interface Concepts](#) for interface details.
- **Scripting Layer** OpenRAVE provides scripting environments for [Python](#) and [Octave/Matlab](#). Python communicates with the core layer directly with in-memory calls, making it extremely fast. On the other hand, the Octave/Matlab scripting protocol send commands through TCP/IP, with a plugin offering a text server on the OpenRAVE core side. Scripting allows real-time modifications to any aspect of the environment without requiring shutdown, making it ideal to testing new algorithms. The Python scripting is so powerful, that most of the OpenRAVE examples and demo code are offered through it. In fact, users should treat the scripting language as an integral part of the entire system, not as a replacement to the C++ API.
- **Robot Database Layer** Implements a planning knowledge-base and provides simple interfaces for its access and generation parameters. The database itself mostly consists of kinematic, quasi-static, dynamic, and geometric analyses of the robot and the task. If the robot is defined properly, then all these functions should work out of the box.

All the base planners and modules should be applicable to any robot structure that can be thrown at it. One of OpenRAVE's strongest points when compared with other planning packages is the idea of being able to apply algorithms in openrave to any robot, with very little modification. Recently, a planning database structure has been introduced that allows computation of properties like convex hull decomposition, grasp sets, reachability maps, analytic inverse kinematics, etc. If the robot is defined properly, then all these functions should work out of the box.

The main API is coded in C++ using the Boost C++ libraries [Dawes et al (1998-present)] as a really solid basis of low-level management and storage structures. The Boost flavors of shared pointers allow object pointers to be safely reference counted in a heavily multi-threaded environment. Shared pointers also allow handles and interfaces to be passed to the user without having to every worry about the user calling upon invalid objects or un-loaded shared objects. Furthermore, [OpenRAVE](#) uses functors and other abstracted objects commonly seen in higher level languages to specify function pointers for sampling distributions, event callbacks, setting robot configuration state, etc. The Boost-enabled design makes the the C++ API really safe and reliable to use along with saving the users a lot of trouble doing bookkeeping on their end. Furthermore, it allows the Resource Acquisition Is Initialization (RAII) design pattern [Stroustrup (2001)] to be fully exploited allowing users to ignore the complexities of multi-threaded resource management.

## 7.2 Environment Concepts

All of OpenRAVE's services are offered through the environment. For example, requesting a planner interface called 'BiRRT' is done through `RaveCreatePlanner()`. The environment supports:

- [managing and communicating with plugins](#)
- [collision checking](#)
- [loading scenes and objects](#)
- [managing objects and triangulation](#)
- [drawing/plotting](#)

Whenever objects in the environment are written or read, the user has to **lock** the environment mutex `mutex GetMutex()`. This prevents any other process from modifying the environment while the user is working. Because the environment uses 'recursive mutexes', it allows a mutex to be locked as many times as needed within the same thread. This has allowed all environment functions that require locking to always guarantee the mutex is locked, regardless if the user has locked the mutex. (Note that this only applies to environment functions, and not interface functions).

### 7.2.1 Locking

Because OpenRAVE is a highly multi-threaded environment, the environment state like bodies and loaded interfaces could be simultaneously accessed. In order to safely write or read the state, a user has to lock the environment, which prevents any other process from modifying the environment while the user is working. By using recursive locks, it allows a lock to be locked as many times as needed within the same thread, greatly reducing the lock management when a state changing function calls another state changing function. This safety measure helps users by always guaranteeing the environment is locked when calling global level environment functions like creating new bodies or loading scenes, regardless if the user has locked it. However, directly accessing the bodies and robots is dangerous without having the environment lock acquired.

### 7.2.2 Simulation Thread

Every environment has an internal time and a simulation thread directly attached to a physics engine. The thread is always running in the background and periodically steps the simulation time by a small delta for the physics engine and on all the simulation-enabled interfaces. By default, the thread is always running and can always potentially

modify the environment state; therefore, users always need to explicitly lock the environment whenever playing with the internal state like modifying bodies by setting joint values or link transformations. If not careful, the controller or physics engine will overwrite them. By default, the simulation thread just sets the object positions depending on their controller inputs, but a physics engine can be attached to integrate velocities, accelerations, forces, and torques.

The simulation thread can feel like a nuisance at first, but its division of robot control into control input computation and execution greatly helps users only concentrate on feeding commands to the robot without worrying about the simulation loop. It also allows a world update to happen in one discrete time step.

### 7.2.3 Cloning

One of the strengths of OpenRAVE is in allowing multiple [environments](#) work simultaneously in the same process. Environment cloning allows OpenRAVE to become truly parallel by managing multiple environments and running simultaneous planners on top of them.

One of the strengths of [OpenRAVE](#) is in allowing multiple environments to work simultaneously in the same process. Environment cloning allows [OpenRAVE](#) to become truly parallel by managing multiple environments and running simultaneous planners on top of them. Because there is no shared state across the clone and the original environment, it is not possible to use an interface created from one environment in another. For example, if a planner is created in one environment, it should be used only by objects in that environment. It is not possible to set a planner to plan for objects belonging to a different environment. This is because a planner will lock the environment and expect the objects it controls to be exclusively under its control.

Creating a clone is simple, in C++ just type:

```
EnvironmentBasePtr pNewEnvironment = GetEnv()->CloneSelf(Clone_Bodies)
```

to create a clone that copies all the existing bodies (with attachments and grabbed bodies) and their current states. Basically the clone can perform any operations that would have been done with the original environment.

Because the environment state is very complex, the cloning process can control how much of it gets transferred to the new clone. For example, all existing bodies and robots can be cloned, their attached controllers can be cloned, the attached viewer can be cloned, the collision checker state can be cloned, and the simulation state can be cloned. Basically the clone should be able to perform any operations that can be done with the original environment without any modification in the input parameters.

When cloning real robots, one extremely important feature that [OpenRAVE](#) cloning offers is the ability to maintain a real-time view of the world that sensors continuously update with new information. When a planner is instantiated, it should make a copy

of the environment that it can exclusively control without interfering with the updating operations. Furthermore, the real-world environment possibly has robot controllers connected to real robots, having a clone gives the ability to set simulation controllers guarantees robot safety while planning; commands from a cloned environment would not accidentally send commands to the real robot.

#### 7.2.4 Validating Plugins

Every plugin needs to export several functions to notify the core what interfaces it has and to instantiate the interfaces. When a plugin is first loaded, it is validated by the environment and its interface information is queried so the core can register the names.

There are many mechanisms in the validation process to prevent old plugins to be loaded by the core. [OpenRAVE](#) is updated frequently and all user plugins are not necessarily recompiled when the [OpenRAVE](#) API changes. Therefore, we will encounter many cases when a plugin exports the correct functions, but does not implement the correct API. Using interfaces from plugins compiled with a mismatching The API can lead to unexpected crashes that are very difficult to debug, so it is absolutely necessary to detect this condition. One possible solution is to add version numbers to the API to enforce checking before an interface is returned from the plugin to the environment, but this method is brittle. It forces to keep track of a version number for every interface along with a global version number. Furthermore, every developer has to remember to increment the version when something even small changes, which can be easily forgotten and lead to serious errors later on.

We solve interface validation by computing a unique hash of the interface functions and members by running each interface through a C++ lexer, gathering the tokens that affect the C++ code structure, and then creating a 128bit unique MD5 hash. We create a hash for each interface definition and the environment. The hashes are hard coded into the C++ header files and can be queried by two methods: a static function returning the hash of the program calling the function, and a virtual function returning the hash the interface was compiled with. An interface is only valid if its virtual hash is equivalent to the static hash of the core environment. For a plugin to be loaded correctly, first the environment hashes have to match. If they do, then the individual interfaces checked and only matching interfaces are returned to the core, and from there dispatched to other plugins. Such consistency checks ensure that stale plugins will never be loaded.

#### 7.2.5 Parallel Execution

Being able to execute a planner in multiple threads is important for applications that require speed and solution quality. Because there is always a trade-off between solution quality and time of computation, some applications like industrial robots require the quickest and smoothest path to their destinations. Fortunately, environment cloning allows planners to create an independent environment for every thread they create, which enables them to call kinematics and collision functions in each respective thread

without worrying about data corruption. Growing an RRT tree in a multi-threaded environment just requires one copy of the kd-tree structure to be maintained. The query operations mostly work with Euclidean distance on the configuration space, so are really fast. Furthermore, adding a new point takes  $O(\log)$  time, so it shouldn't be a bottleneck in the search process compared to collision checking. Finally, environment locking allows threads to gain exclusive access to the environment. The rule of thumb is that any interface belonging or added to the environment requires an environment lock before any of its methods can be called.

### 7.3 Dual Simulation/Control Nature

[OpenRAVE](#) can be simultaneously used as a simulation, a controller, or both at the same time. Here are a couple of things to keep in mind:

- It can be used as a simulator by attaching a physics engine and setting torques to the joints and applying forces to the links.
- The physics engine directly reflects the internal openrave state.
- A controller can be set that sets torques/velocities/positions to the physics engine every time step. Physics simulation time steps are constantly called in an internal "openrave thread" if simulations are set to true (default)
- The default physics engine doesn't touch the openrave state, nor does it simulate velocities or dynamics
- The default controller just sets positions at the specified times

This is why users need to explicitly lock the environment mutex whenever playing with the internal openrave state like setting joint values or link transformations (in planners for example). Otherwise, the controller or physics engine will overwrite them.

### 7.4 Exception Handling

By using the C++ Standard and Boost libraries, [OpenRAVE](#) can recover from almost all errors that a user can experience without causing the program to shutdown on the spot. Invalid pointer and out-of-range accesses are extremely dangerous because they can modify unrelated memory, which causes the program to crash at a place completely unrelated to the root cause of the problem. Avoiding such problems has been one of the the highest priorities for the design. The core always surrounds any user code coming from plugins and callbacks with try/catch blocks, this allows the core to properly handle the error and notify the user of a problem without tearing down the environment.

Because exception handling is slow, there is a fine balance of when a function should return an error code and what it should throw an exception. In [OpenRAVE](#), exceptions should never occur in normal operation of the program, they should only be for unexpected events of the program. For example, planners failing is an expected event dependent on the current environment, so planners should return an error code with the cause of the failure rather than throw an exception. In other words, exceptions convey the structural errors of the program that point to places in the code that should be fixed by the user. The following operations should throw exceptions in [OpenRAVE](#):

- invalid plugin or interface hashes,
- invalid commands being sent to interfaces,
- invalid arguments passed to functions,
- invalid pointers or out-of-range parts of lists are accessed,
- environment is not locked when it should be
- a resource is present when it should be,
- a math operation is not consistent with the rest of the environment,
- environment naming constraints are not maintained,
- unrecognized enumerated types are given, and
- instantiation order is not maintained.

Any type of boost error, or null pointer access throws an `openrave_exception`. This greatly reduces the amount of error checking code people do. For example, C code usually has this pattern:

```
bool somefun(KinBodyPtr pbody)
{
    if( !pbody )
        return false;
    pbody->GetTransform();
    ...
}
```

or

```
bool somefun(KinBodyPtr pbody)
{
    assert( !!pbody );
    pbody->GetTransform();
    ...
}
```

If these checks are not done, the code would segfault. However, these checks can really clutter the code. In openrave, it is safe to get away with:

```
bool somefun(KinBodyPtr pbody)
{
    pbody->GetTransform();
    ...
}
```

then for handling errors (for example in the most top-level script), do

```
try {
    ...
    somefun(pbody)
    ...
}
catch(const openrave_exception& ex) {
    RAVELOG_WARN("exception caught: %s\n", ex.what());
    if( ex.GetCode() == ORE_EnvironmentNotLocked ) {
        RAVELOG_WARN("user forgot to lock environment!\n");
    }
    ...
}
```

When using openravepy in python, such unhandled C++ errors throw a python exception, which can be safely caught and processed there.

## 7.5 Hashes for Body Structure

A new concept that came out of [OpenRAVE](#) is the idea of creating unique hashes of a body's structure. Every body has an online state that includes:

- names of the body, its links, its joints,
- link transformations, velocities, and accelerations in the world,
- and attached bodies.

All other information is independent of the environment and can be categorized into the kinematics, geometry, and dynamics of the body. Furthermore, robots have categories for attached sensors and manipulators. The planning knowledge-base stores all cached information about a body and a robot, so it needs a consistent way of indexing this information. Indexing by robot names is not reliable because it is very difficult to remind a user to change the name every time the body structure is changed. Therefore, [OpenRAVE](#) provides functionality to serialize the different categories of a body and create a 128-bit MD5 hash. Each of the models in the planning knowledge-base relies on different categories of the robot. For example:

- inverse kinematics generation only uses the kinematics of a sub-chain of the robot defined by the manipulator and the grasp coordinate system,
- kinematic reachability cares about the robot geometry of the manipulator because it implicitly stores self-collision results,
- inverse reachability further uses the links connecting the base robot link to the base manipulator link,
- grasping cares about the geometry of the target body and the kinematics and geometry of the gripper,
- convex decompositions only care about the link geometry, and
- inverse dynamics cares only about the dynamics properties of each link and the kinematics.

There are several challenges to developing a consistent index across all operating systems and compilers since floating point errors could creep in when normalizing floating-point values. However, the idea of such an index could greatly help in developing a worldwide robot database that anyone can use.

## 7.6 Resource File Formats

[OpenRAVE](#) defines its own format that allows instantiation of any [OpenRAVE](#) interface and quick building of robots and kinematics structures. The rigid body geometries resources can be specified in virtually any 3D file format. For example:

- iv, vrml, wrl, stl, blend, 3ds, ase, obj, ply, dxf, lwo, lxo, ac, ms3d, x, mesh.xml, irrmesh, irr, nff, off, raw

These files can be used inside the `<geom>` tags, or can be read directly into any of the environment `ReadRobotX` and `ReadKinBodyX` methods to create a single world body.

[OpenRAVE](#) also supports the [COLLADA](#) international standard on 3D geometry and modeling. COLLADA is augmented with these [OpenRAVE robot-specific extensions](#).

[More information here.](#)



## 8 Base Interface Concepts

New interfaces are provided by plugins and are dynamically loaded into OpenRAVE. All interfaces are derived from the [OpenRAVE::InterfaceBase](#) class and contain basic information such as the type, the owning [environment](#), setting user data, cloning, and allowing custom string commands to be sent.

Every instantiated interface belongs to only one [environment](#). Interfaces can be cloned using [OpenRAVE::InterfaceBase::Clone](#).

Every interface can have its own custom commands. Sending **help** will return a list of all the commands the interface supports (think of it as a command-line way of sending commands to the interface). The `GetDescription()` returns a string briefly explaining the functionality, the authors, and the license of the plugin.

Ability to register custom xml reader interfaces.

- [Collision Checker Concepts](#)
- [Controller Concepts](#)
- [Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts](#)
- [Kinematics Body Concepts](#)
- [Physics Engine Concepts](#)
- [Planner Concepts](#)
- [Module Concepts](#)
- [Robot Concepts](#)
- [Sensor Concepts](#)
- [Sensor System Concepts](#)
- [SpaceSampler Concepts](#)
- [Trajectory Concepts](#)
- [Viewer Concepts](#)

### 8.1 Collision Checker Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::CollisionCheckerBase](#).

All **CheckCollision** functions accept an optional pointer to a [OpenRAVE::CollisionReport](#) struct, which gets filled with information about the collision that takes place. Usually requesting more precise information like distance to obstacles

is computationally expensive; therefore to save computation, the user can specify what collision information should be filled in the `OpenRAVE::CollisionReport` with the `SetCollisionOptions` function.

`OpenRAVE` is not tied to a particular collision checker. Collision checkers can be changed with `SetCollisionChecker`. In order to add a new collision checker, derive a class from `OpenRAVE::CollisionCheckerBase` and fill all the methods it provides. Then register it in 'src/environment.cpp' and `CollisionCheckers`. All collision checking is done through the overloaded `EnvironmentBase::CheckCollision`.

## 8.2 Controller Concepts

**Reference:** `OpenRAVE::ControllerBase`

In order for openrave to control certain robot hardware, a `OpenRAVE::ControllerBase` controller has to be created that will interface with the hardware-specific libraries. This controller interface then has to be created through the environment and set onto an existing robot. All commands given to the robot are first filtered through the controller, then translated to joint commands. Different controllers can have different path inputs (ie: a robot walking on a floor might just have x,y,angle), but the default is the DOF joint values.

### 8.2.1 Writing and Using Controllers

Assuming that there exists a plugin with a controller interface named **MyController**, here are some ways to set an openrave robot to use it:

- XML

- add a `<controller>` tag in the openrave robot XML file like this:

```
<robot file="robots/schunk-lwa3.robot.xml">
  <controller type="MyController controller arguments here"></controller>
</robot>
```

- It is also possible to set a controller outside of the robot definition by specifying the robot's name. For example:

```
<environment>
  <robot name="schunk-lwa3" file="robots/schunk-lwa3.robot.xml">
  </robot>
  <controller type="MyController" robot="schunk-lwa3 controller arguments here"></controller>
</environment>
```

- C++

```
RobotBasePtr probot = GetEnv()->GetRobot("schunk-lwa3");
ControllerBasePtr pcontroller = RaveCreateController(GetEnv(),"MyController controller arguments here");
vector<int> dofindices(probot->GetDOF());
```

```
for(int i = 0; i < probot->GetDOF(); ++i) {
    dofindices[i] = i;
}
int nControlTransformation = 1;
probot->SetController(pcontroller,dofindices,nControlTransformation);
```

- Python

```
robot = env.GetRobot('schunk-lwa3')
controller = RaveCreateController(env,'MyController controller arguments here')
robot.SetController(controller,range(robot.GetDOF()),controltransform=1)
```

- Octave/MATLAB

```
robotid = orEnvGetBody('schunk-lwa3');
orRobotControllerSet(robotid,'MyController','controller arguments here')
```

### 8.3 Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::IkSolverBase](#)

Each IK solver is defined on a subset of joints of a Robot specified by the robot's manipulator. Given the position in the 3D workspace that an end effector should go to, an IK solver will find the joint configuration to take that end-effector there. Because it is common for an IK solution to have a null space, the IK solver give functionality to expose the free parameters to move the joints in null space.

### 8.4 Kinematics Body Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::KinBody](#)

Each KinBody can be thought of as the basic rigid body element in [OpenRAVE](#). It is composed of a collection of links (rigid bodies) connected with joints. The KinBody class provides a lot of functionality (from a planning perspective) needed to perform complex tasks:

- Setting and getting joint values
- Setting and getting the transformations of all links
- Getting the velocities of each joint (or link)
- Self collision detection functions
- Kinematic hierarchy querying - The underlying structure of KinBody is a list of links, not a tree. However, after some careful analysis, the parent and child links of a particular link can be extracted.
- Jacobian calculation - both translational and rotational.

- Attaching bodies online - a necessary function for manipulation planning; is called, for example, when an object is rigidly grasped by a hand

#### 8.4.1 Loading Options

This is the set of loading options passed as a `AttributesList` into functions like `OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBase::ReadKinBodyXMLFile`:

- **prefix**: prefix link, joint, manipulator, and sensor names with a string
- **skipgeometry**: if 1 or true, will skip loading all geometry of the links

### 8.5 Physics Engine Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::PhysicsEngineBase](#)

The physics engine for the environment can be set through [OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBase::SetPhysicsEngine](#).

### 8.6 Planner Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::PlannerBase](#)

#### 8.6.1 Introduction

In [OpenRAVE](#), the basic purpose of a planner is to find a trajectory starting at some initial configuration that reaches a goal condition while satisfying various navigation constraints. All planners are assumed to be geometric in nature (ie, not planning in the space of policies that depend on sensor data). Planners can have any configuration space defined by using the [OpenRAVE::PlannerBase::PlannerParameters](#) structure. A planner should never use the raw joint values functions defined in `KinBody`.

The usage of a planner is simple:

- Acquire its pointer from `RaveCreatePlanner`.
- Fill a [PlannerParameters](#) structure defining the instance of the problem. The structure has many fields for describing planning entities like start position, goal condition, and the distance metric. Try to use these fields as much as possible. Later on, this will allow users to easily swap planners without having to change the `PlannerBase::PlannerParameters` structure much.
- Call [InitPlan](#) passing in the robot and planner parameters. This also resets any previous information the planner had stored.

- Call `PlanPath` passing in a `trajectory` (and optionally an output stream) to start planning. If the function returns true, then the `Trajectory` will be filled with the geometric solution in the active DOF configuration space of the robot. By calling `SetParameters`, then `PlanPath` again, it could be possible to preserve the previous search space for the planner while changing the goal conditions.

## 8.6.2 Planning Details

### 8.6.2.1 Planner Parameters - Calling a Planner

All the information defining a planning problem should be specified in `PlannerBase::PlannerParameters`. `PlannerParameters` tries to cover most of the common data like distance metrics, sampling distributions, initial and goal configurations. However there are many different types of inputs to a planner, so it is impossible to cover everything with one class. Instead, `PlannerParameters` has a very flexible and safe way to extend its parameters without destroying compatibility with a particular planner or user of the planner. This is enabled by the serialization to XML capabilities of `PlannerParameters`

```
PlannerBase::PlannerParametersPtr params(new PlannerBase::PlannerParameters());
params->vinitialconfig.push_back(2);
ostream os;
os << *params;
```

will produce something in the form of

```
<PlannerParameters>
  <initialconfig>2</initialconfig>
</PlannerParameters>
```

Furthermore `PlannerParameters` can read such an XML file given an input stream

```
istream is;
is >> *params;
```

Using XML as a medium, it is easy to exchange data across different derivations of `PlannerParameters` without much effort. To add new parameters for planners to take advantage of

- make a derived class from `PlannerParameters`
- overload the `PlannerParameters`, `startElement`, `endElement`, and `characters` functions to process the new variables.

As long as the user of the planner passes a `PlannerParameters` that can serialize to the same format of data that the planner expects, the data will be passed. This allows the planner and the caller of `PlanPath` to use different `PlannerParameters` definitions without any conflicts.

### 8.6.2.2 Basic Usage

This is a simple call to a birrt planner, let **activegoal** hold the goal configuration and **activejoints** hold indices to the robot joints interested to plan for.

```
PlannerBase::PlannerParametersPtr params(new PlannerBase::PlannerParameters);
params->SetRobotActiveJoints(robot); // sets the active joint indices
robot->GetActiveDOFValues(params.vinitialconfig); // set initial config (use current robot configuration)
params.vgoalconfig = activegoal;

// set other params values like

PlannerBasePtr rrtplanner = RaveCreatePlanner(GetEnv(), "rBiRRT");
TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj = RaveCreateTrajectory(GetEnv(), robot->GetActiveDOF());
if( !rrtplanner->InitPlan(robot, params) ) {
    return false;
}

PlannerStatus status = rrtplanner->Plan(ptraj);
if( status & PS_HasSolution ) {
    robot->SetActiveMotion(ptraj); // trajectory is done, execute on the robot
}
```

In order to speed up computations further, planners can use the `CO_ActiveDOFs` collision checker option, which only focuses collision on the currently moving links in the robot. If using the robot active DOF, before calling the planner, the user should insert this statement:

```
CollisionOptionsStateSaver optionstate(GetEnv()->GetCollisionChecker(), GetEnv()->
    GetCollisionChecker()->GetCollisionOptions() | CO_ActiveDOFs, false);
```

### 8.6.2.3 Defining Extra Planner Parameters

Here is how to derive from a [PlannerParameters](#) class in order to introduce new parameters.

```
class BasicRRTParameters : public PlannerBase::PlannerParameters
{
public:
    BasicRRTParameters() : _fGoalBiasProb(0.05f), _bProcessing(false) {
        _vXMLParameters.push_back("goalbias");
    }

    dReal _fGoalBiasProb;

protected:
    bool _bProcessing;
    virtual bool serialize(std::ostream& O) const
    {
        if( !PlannerParameters::serialize(O) )

```

```

        return false;
    O << "<goalbias>" << _fGoalBiasProb << "</goalbias>" << endl;
    return !!O;
}

ProcessElement startElement(const std::string& name, const std::list<std::pair<
std::string,std::string> >& atts)
{
    if( _bProcessing )
        return PE_Ignore;
    switch( PlannerBase::PlannerParameters::startElement(name,atts) ) {
        case PE_Pass: break;
        case PE_Support: return PE_Support;
        case PE_Ignore: return PE_Ignore;
    }

    _bProcessing = name=="goalbias";
    return _bProcessing ? PE_Support : PE_Pass;
}

virtual bool endElement(const string& name)
{
    if( _bProcessing ) {
        if( name == "goalbias")
            _ss >> _fGoalBiasProb;
        else
            RAVELOG_WARN(str(boost::format("unknown tag %s\n")%name));
        _bProcessing = false;
        return false;
    }

    // give a chance for the default parameters to get processed
    return PlannerParameters::endElement(name);
}
};

```

#### 8.6.2.4 Planner Development

Most planners do their computation iteratively, and they take lots of computation time. It is very frequent for a user to want to early-terminate the planner, or tell it to return the best solution it has founds immediately. Users might also want to visualize the planning process without getting into the internals of the planner. In order to do this, [OpenRAVE](#) allows users to register callbacks via [OpenRAVE::PlannerBase::RegisterPlanCallback](#). Planner developers should **always** call [OpenRAVE::PlannerBase::\\_CallCallbacks](#) inside their planning loop and process the input correctly.

#### 8.6.3 Planner Examples

Examples of planners are:

- Manipulation - manipulable objects need to be specified. Objects like doors

should be special cases that planners knows about.

- Following - Goal easily changes. Attributes can change.
- Path Smoothing - uses the input trajectory
- Trajectory Re-timing - uses the input trajectory
- Object Building - Need to describe how parts of object fit together into a bigger part.
- Dish Washing - Specific goals are not specified, just a condition that all plates need to be inside.
- Foot step planning - Need discrete footsteps and other capabilities from robot.

Planner should be able to query sensor information from the Robot like its current camera image etc. Planner should be compatible with Robot presented; some hand-shaking should happen between the two during InitPlan function.

#### 8.6.4 Path Optimization

Path smoothing/optimization can be regarded as a post-processing step to planners. "Path optimization" algorithms take in an existing trajectory and filter it using the existing constraints of the planner. In fact, functionality there is no difference between a "path optimization" planner and a regular planner besides the fact that a trajectory is used as input. Because PlannerBase::PlanPath already has a trajectory as an argument, this does not cause any major API changes to the infrastructure.

However, the PlannerParameters structure had to reflect what 'path optimization' algorithm to use for post processing the trajectory. This is now reflected in the PlannerParameters::\_sPostProcessingPlanner and PlannerParameters::\_sPostProcessingParameters arguments. By default, this is the default "linear shortcut" path optimizer. There is also a helper function in PlannerBase to help users easily call the post-processing step:

```
_ProcessPostPlanners(RobotBasePtr probot, TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj);
```

Please take a look at how the default RRT algorithms are now structured.

Planner post-processing actually allows users to chain planners in the same way that filters are chained, all through specifying planner parameters. Of course, users can continue to smooth in planners without relying on this framework. However, explicit control of path smoothing allows custom parameter to be easily specified.



## 8.7 Module Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::ModuleBase](#)

Base class for modules the user might want to instantiate. A module registers itself with OpenRAVE's `SimulateStep` calls and can accept commands from the server or other plugins via `SendCommand`. A module stops receiving commands when it is destroyed. Modules are an easy way for developers to run and test their own code.

## 8.8 Robot Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::RobotBase](#)

Robots are a special type of `KinBody` that need higher level functionality for their control and movement in the environment. There are a couple of differences between a `Robot` and a regular `KinBody`.

### 8.8.1 Manipulators

Every robot supports a list of [Manipulator](#) objects that describe the links the robot should use when manipulating parts of the environment. Usually manipulators are serial chains with a Base link and an End Effector link. Each manipulator is also decomposed into two parts: the arm and the hand. The hand usually makes contact with the objects while the arm transfers the hand to its destination. The `Manipulator` class also has an optional pointer to a `IkSolverBase` class providing inverse kinematics functionality. The IK solver used by a `Manipulator` can be changed by `Manipulator::SetIKSolver`, so plugins can provide and set their own IK solvers.

### 8.8.2 Active Degrees of Freedom

When controlling and planning for a robot, it is possible to set the degrees of freedom that should be used. For example, consider a humanoid robot. There should be an easy way to specify to planners that only the right hand of the robot should be taken into consideration when planning; the rest of the joints should be ignored. Or consider the case where we care about navigation of the humanoid robot. Here we would want to control the translation of the robot on the plane and its orientation. Perhaps we want to do footstep planning and also care about controlling the two legs. All this is possible with the Active Degrees of Freedom feature provided by [OpenRAVE](#). First call `RobotBase::SetActiveDOFs` to set the degrees of freedom of the robot; it is also possible to set translation about the XYZ axes or the angle around a rotation axis as a degree of freedom. Each `RobotBase` function with the word `Active` expects the active DOF values to be specified. Basically, for any function in `KinBody` that deals with Joints, there is a corresponding active function in `RobotBase`.

### 8.8.3 Grabbing Bodies

It is possible for a robot to attach a [KinBody](#) onto one of its links so that when the link moves, the KinBody also moves. Because collision detection will stop being checked between the robot and the KinBody, you could say that the KinBody becomes a part of the robot temporarily. This functionality is necessary for manipulation planning. Whenever the robot is carrying a body, all collisions between the robot and that item should be ignored once the body has been grasped.

### 8.8.4 Attaching Sensors

Can attach any number of sensors to the robot's links through the [AttachedSensor](#) class. The sensor transformation will be completely owned by the robot. A robot can be attached with any number of sensors on any number of links. As the robot link moves, the sensor moves with it preserving its relative transformation.

AttachedSensor object holds a [SensorBase](#) object that contains the actual object gathering and publishing data.

### 8.8.5 Loading Options

This is the set of loading options passed as a `AttributesList` into functions like `OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBase::ReadRobotXMLFile`.

KinBody [Loading Options](#) is also valid.

## 8.9 Sensor Concepts

**Reference:** [OpenRAVE::SensorBase](#)

A sensor measures physical properties from the environment and converts them to data. Each sensor is associated with a particular position in space, has a geometry with properties defining the type of sensor, and can be queried for sensor data. Available sensor types are specified by `SensorType`.

By default, all the sensors start with power off, meaning that the sensor does not gather data. The power can be turned on by using [OpenRAVE::SensorBase::Configure](#) and sending the `SensorBase::CC_PowerOn` command. All programs should manually turn sensor power on before using the sensors.

The sensor has two different rendering options:.

- **Geometry Rendering** - Renders a small icon that represents where the laser is placed in the environment, the icon's image should only be dependent on the geometry parameters of the sensor, and not the actual sensor data. Ge-

ometry rendering should be turned on by default. To configure this, use the `SensorBase::CC_RenderDataX` commands.

- **Data Rendering** - Data rendering shows the measured sensor data coming out of the `GetSensorData()`. Usually the data can be very heavy, especially when a sensor's update rate is high, so data rendering is turned off by default. If the power is off, data should not be rendered. To configure this, use the `SensorBase::CC_RenderGeometryX` commands.

Check out the `basesensors` plugin for an example of how to implement a basic laser range and camera sensors.

## 8.10 Sensor System Concepts

**Reference:** `OpenRAVE::SensorSystemBase` New objects can be created, existing objects can be updated. Every managed object should set the kinbody's Manager pointer

## 8.11 SpaceSampler Concepts

**Reference:** `OpenRAVE::SpaceSamplerBase`

Space samplers are responsible for generating samples in spaces like  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $SO(3)$ ,  $SE(3)$ , etc. The samples can be randomized or deterministic.

Each sampler can support returning the values in a floating-point precision or unsigned integer format. There are sampling calls for each version. The samplers could choose to implement only one of the types of both, this should be clear in the Supports function.

Each sampler has a state and can be configured with different dimensions and seeds.

## 8.12 Viewer Concepts

**Reference:** `OpenRAVE::ViewerBase` Viewer is responsible only for the environment it is attached to.

## 9 Module Documentation

### 9.1 Plugin Export Functions

#### Classes

- class [PLUGININFO](#)  
*Holds all the OpenRAVE-specific information provided by a plugin.*

#### Typedefs

- typedef InterfaceBasePtr(\* [PluginExportFn\\_OpenRAVECreateInterface](#) )(InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const char \*pluginhash, const char \*envhash, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*Create the interfaces, see [CreateInterfaceValidated](#).*
- typedef bool(\* [PluginExportFn\\_OpenRAVEGetPluginAttributes](#) )(PLUGIN-INFO \*pinfo, int size, const char \*infohash)  
*Called to fill information about the plugin, see [GetPluginAttributesValidated](#).*
- typedef void(\* [PluginExportFn\\_DestroyPlugin](#) )()  
*Called before plugin is unloaded from openrave. See [DestroyPlugin](#).*

#### Functions

- OpenRAVE::InterfaceBasePtr [CreateInterfaceValidated](#) (OpenRAVE::InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, std::istream &sinut, OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*[helper] Validated function callback for creating an interface function. No checks need to be made on the parmaeters.*
- void [GetPluginAttributesValidated](#) (OpenRAVE::PLUGININFO &info)  
*[helper] Validated function callback for returning a plugin's information. No checks need to be made on the parmaeters.*
- OPENRAVE\_PLUGIN\_API OpenRAVE::InterfaceBasePtr [OpenRAVECreateInterface](#) (OpenRAVE::InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const char \*interfacehash, const char \*envhash, OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*[export] Definition of a plugin export. Requires [CreateInterfaceValidated](#) to be defined.*

- OPENRAVE\_PLUGIN\_API void [OpenRAVEGetPluginAttributes](#) ([OpenRAVE::PLUGININFO](#) \*pinfo, int size, const char \*infohash)  
*[export]* Definition of a plugin export. Requires [GetPluginAttributesValidated](#) to be defined.
- OPENRAVE\_PLUGIN\_API void [DestroyPlugin](#) ()  
*[export]* Stub function to be defined by plugin that includes rave/plugin.h.

### 9.1.1 Detailed Description

Every plugin needs to export these functions

### 9.1.2 Function Documentation

#### 9.1.2.1 [OpenRAVE::InterfaceBasePtr CreateInterfaceValidated](#) ([OpenRAVE::InterfaceType](#) *type*, const std::string & *name*, std::istream & *sinput*, [OpenRAVE::EnvironmentBasePtr](#) *penv*)

**[helper]** Validated function callback for creating an interface function. No checks need to be made on the parameters.

If possible, always returns a valid pointer regardless of initialization failure since the actual interface pointer stores documentation information and is used in introspection. Only use when rave/plugin.h is included.

#### Parameters

- ← *type* the interface type
- ← *name* the lowercase letters of the interface name
- ← *sinput* a stream to the rest of the input args to [OpenRAVECreateInterface](#)
- ← *penv* the environment pointer

#### Returns

a pointer to the interface if one could have been created.

#### Examples:

[customreader.cpp](#), and [plugincpp.cpp](#).

### 9.1.2.2 void GetPluginAttributesValidated (OpenRAVE::PLUGININFO & info)

**[helper]** Validated function callback for returning a plugin's information. No checks need to be made on the parameters.

This function is called only once initially to determine what the plugin offers. It should be the safest function and should not create any static resources for the plugin. Only use when rave/plugin.h is included.

#### Parameters

→ *info* Holds information on what services this plugin provides.

## 9.2 Base Interface Classes

### Classes

- class [CollisionCheckerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Responsible for all collision checking queries of the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Collision Checker Concepts](#).
- class [ControllerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Abstract base class to encapsulate a local controller. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Controller Concepts](#).
- class [IkSolverBase](#)  
*[interface]* Base class for all Inverse Kinematic solvers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts](#).
- class [InterfaceBase](#)  
*[interface]* Base class for all interfaces that [OpenRAVE](#) provides. See [Base Interface Concepts](#).
- class [KinBody](#)  
*[interface]* A kinematic body of links and joints. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).
- class [ModuleBase](#)  
*[interface]* A loadable module of user code meant to solve a specific domain. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Module Concepts](#).
- class [PhysicsEngineBase](#)  
*[interface]* The physics engine interfaces supporting simulations and dynamics. See [Physics Engine Concepts](#).

- class [PlannerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Planner interface that generates trajectories for target objects to follow through the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Planner Concepts](#).
- class [RobotBase](#)  
*[interface]* A robot is a kinematic body that has attached manipulators, sensors, and controllers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Robot Concepts](#).
- class [SensorBase](#)  
*[interface]* A sensor measures physical properties from the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Sensor Concepts](#).
- class [SensorSystemBase](#)  
*[interface]* Used to manage the creation and destruction of bodies. See [Sensor System Concepts](#).
- class [SpaceSamplerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Contains space samplers commonly used in planners. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [SpaceSampler Concepts](#).
- class [TrajectoryBase](#)  
*[interface]* Encapsulate a time-parameterized trajectories of robot configurations. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** [Trajectory Concepts](#)
- class [ViewerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Base class for the graphics and gui engine that renders the environment and provides visual sensor information. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Viewer Concepts](#).

### 9.2.1 Detailed Description

A list of the OpenRAVE interface templates. See [Base Interface Concepts](#).

## 9.3 Geometric Primitives

### Classes

- class [ray< T >](#)  
A ray defined by an origin and a direction.

- class `aabb< T >`  
*An axis aligned bounding box.*
- class `obb< T >`  
*An oriented bounding box.*
- class `triangle< T >`  
*A triangle defined by 3 points.*
- class `frustum< T >`  
*A pyramid with its vertex clipped.*

### Functions

- `template<typename T >`  
`int insideQuadrilateral (const RaveVector< T > &v, const RaveVector< T > &verts)`  
*Tests a point inside a 3D quadrilateral.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`int insideTriangle (const RaveVector< T > v, const triangle< T > &tri)`  
*Tests a point inside a 3D triangle.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool RayAABBTest (const ray< T > &r, const aabb< T > &ab)`  
*Test collision of a ray with an axis aligned bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool RayOBSTest (const ray< T > &r, const obb< T > &o)`  
*Test collision of a ray and an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool IsOBBinFrustum (const obb< T > &o, const frustum< T > &fr)`  
*Test collision of an oriented bounding box and a frustum.*
- `template<typename T, typename U >`  
`bool IsOBBinConvexHull (const obb< T > &o, const U &vplanes)`  
*Tests if an oriented bounding box is inside a 3D convex hull.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool TriTriCollision (const RaveVector< T > &u1, const RaveVector< T > &u2, const RaveVector< T > &u3, const RaveVector< T > &v1, const`



RaveVector< T > &v2, const RaveVector< T > &v3, RaveVector< T > &contactpos, RaveVector< T > &contactnorm)

*Test collision if two 3D triangles.*

*Assuming triangle vertices are declared counter-clockwise!!*

- template<typename T >  
obb< T > [OBBFromAABB](#) (const aabb< T > &ab, const RaveTransformMatrix< T > &t)

*Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.*

- template<typename T >  
obb< T > [OBBFromAABB](#) (const aabb< T > &ab, const RaveTransform< T > &t)

*Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.*

- template<typename T >  
obb< T > [TransformOBB](#) (const RaveTransform< T > &t, const obb< T > &o)

*Transforms an oriented bounding box.*

- template<typename T >  
obb< T > [TransformOBB](#) (const RaveTransformMatrix< T > &t, const obb< T > &o)

*Transforms an oriented bounding box.*

- template<typename T >  
bool [AABBCollision](#) (const aabb< T > &ab1, const aabb< T > &ab2)

*projects an obb along the world axes*

### Distance functions.

- template<typename T >  
T [DistVertexOBBSq](#) (const RaveVector< T > &v, const obb< T > &o)

*The minimum distance from the vertex to the oriented bounding box.*

#### 9.3.1 Detailed Description

A set of geometric primitives and functions offering collision detection and other distance measurement capabilities.

### 9.3.2 Function Documentation

**9.3.2.1** `bool OpenRAVE::geometry::AABBCollision (const aabb< T > & ab1,  
const aabb< T > & ab2)`

projects an obb along the world axes

Test collision between two axis-aligned bounding boxes.

**9.3.2.2** `bool OpenRAVE::geometry::IsOBBinConvexHull (const obb< T > & o,  
const U & vplanes)`

Tests if an oriented bounding box is inside a 3D convex hull.

#### Parameters

*vplanes* the plane normals of the convex hull, normals should be facing inside.

**9.3.2.3** `obb<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::OBBFFromAABB (const aabb< T > &  
ab, const RaveTransform< T > & t)`

Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.

#### Parameters

← *t* transformation used to set the coordinate system of *ab*.

**9.3.2.4** `obb<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::OBBFFromAABB (const aabb< T > &  
ab, const RaveTransformMatrix< T > & t)`

Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.

#### Parameters

← *t* transformation used to set the coordinate system of *ab*.

### 9.3.2.5 `obb<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::TransformOBB (const RaveTransformMatrix< T > & t, const obb< T > & o)`

Transforms an oriented bounding box.

#### Parameters

← *t* transformation used to set the coordinate system of o.

### 9.3.2.6 `obb<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::TransformOBB (const RaveTransform< T > & t, const obb< T > & o)`

Transforms an oriented bounding box.

#### Parameters

← *t* transformation used to set the coordinate system of o.

### 9.3.2.7 `bool OpenRAVE::geometry::TriTriCollision (const RaveVector< T > & u1, const RaveVector< T > & u2, const RaveVector< T > & u3, const RaveVector< T > & v1, const RaveVector< T > & v2, const RaveVector< T > & v3, RaveVector< T > & contactpos, RaveVector< T > & contactnorm)`

Test collision if two 3D triangles.

Assuming triangle vertices are declared counter-clockwise!!

#### Parameters

→ *contactnorm* if triangles collide, then filled with the normal of the second triangle

#### Returns

true if triangles collide.

## 9.4 Affine Math

### Classes

- class [RaveVector< T >](#)

*Vector class containing 4 dimensions.*

- class [RaveTransform< T >](#)  
*Affine transformation parameterized with quaternions.*
- class [RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#)  
*Affine transformation parameterized with rotation matrices. Scales and shears are not supported.*

## Functions

- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector< T > quatFromAxisAngle](#) (const [RaveVector< T >](#) &axis, T angle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector< T > quatFromAxisAngle](#) (const [RaveVector< T >](#) &axisangle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector< T > quatFromMatrix](#) (const [RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#) &rotation)  
*Converts the rotation of a matrix into a quaternion.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromQuat](#) (const [RaveVector< T >](#) &quat)  
*Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.*
- template<typename T >  
void [matrixFromQuat](#) ([RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#) &rotation, const [RaveVector< T >](#) &quat)  
*Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromAxisAngle](#) (const [RaveVector< T >](#) &axis, T angle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromAxisAngle](#) (const [RaveVector< T >](#) &axisangle)

*Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatMultiply (const RaveVector< T > &quat0, const`  
`RaveVector< T > &quat1)`

*Multiply two quaternions.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatInverse (const RaveVector< T > &quat)`

*Inverted a quaternion rotation.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatSlerp (const RaveVector< T > &quat0, const`  
`RaveVector< T > &quat1, T t)`

*Spherical linear interpolation between two quaternions.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatRotate (const RaveVector< T > &q, const RaveVector<`  
`T > &t)`

*transform a vector by a quaternion*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatRotateDirection (const RaveVector< T > &sourcedir,`  
`const RaveVector< T > &targetdir)`

*Return the minimal quaternion that orients sourcedir to targetdir.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`std::pair< T, RaveVector< T > > normalizeAxisRotation (const RaveVector<`  
`T > &axis, const RaveVector< T > &quat)`

*Find the rotation theta around axis such that  $\text{rot}(\text{axis}, \text{theta}) * q$  is closest to the identity rotation.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > axisAngleFromQuat (const RaveVector< T > &quat)`

*Converts a quaternion into the axis-angle representation.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > axisAngleFromMatrix (const RaveTransformMatrix< T >`  
`&rotation)`

*Converts the rotation of a matrix into axis-angle representation.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveTransformMatrix< T > transformLookat (const RaveVector< T >`  
`&vlookat, const RaveVector< T > &vcameraPos, const RaveVector< T >`  
`&vcameraUp)`

*Returns a camera matrix that looks along a ray with a desired up vector.*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveExp](#) (dReal f)  
*exponential*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog](#) (dReal f)  
*logarithm*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveCos](#) (dReal f)  
*cosine*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveSin](#) (dReal f)  
*sine*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveTan](#) (dReal f)  
*tangent*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog2](#) (dReal f)  
*base 2 logarithm*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog10](#) (dReal f)  
*base 10 logarithm*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAcos](#) (dReal f)  
*arccosine*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAsin](#) (dReal f)  
*arcsine*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAtan2](#) (dReal fy, dReal fx)  
*arctangent2 covering entire circle*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RavePow](#) (dReal fx, dReal fy)  
*power  $x^y$*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveSqrt](#) (dReal f)  
*square-root*
- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveFabs](#) (dReal f)  
*absolute value*

### 9.4.1 Detailed Description

A set of classes and functions that provide the basic affine math operations with vectors, matrices, and quaternions.

### 9.4.2 Function Documentation

#### 9.4.2.1 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::axisAngleFromMatrix** (const RaveTransformMatrix< T > & *rotation*)

Converts the rotation of a matrix into axis-angle representation.

##### Parameters

*rotation* 3x3 rotation matrix

#### 9.4.2.2 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::axisAngleFromQuat** (const RaveVector< T > & *quat*)

Converts a quaternion into the axis-angle representation.

##### Parameters

*quat* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

#### 9.4.2.3 **RaveTransformMatrix<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::matrixFromAxisAngle** (const RaveVector< T > & *axisangle*)

Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.

##### Parameters

*axis* unit axis \* rotation angle (radians), 3 values

#### 9.4.2.4 **RaveTransformMatrix<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::matrixFromAxisAngle** (const RaveVector< T > & *axis*, T *angle*)

Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.

##### Parameters

*axis* unit axis, 3 values

*angle* rotation angle (radians)

#### 9.4.2.5 **void OpenRAVE::geometry::matrixFromQuat** (RaveTransformMatrix< T > & *rotation*, const RaveVector< T > & *quat*)

Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.

##### Parameters

→ *rotation*

← *quat* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

#### 9.4.2.6 **RaveTransformMatrix<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::matrixFromQuat** (const RaveVector< T > & *quat*)

Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.

##### Parameters

← *quat* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

#### 9.4.2.7 **std::pair<T, RaveVector<T> > OpenRAVE::geometry::normalizeAxisRotation** (const RaveVector< T > & *axis*, const RaveVector< T > & *quat*)

Find the rotation theta around axis such that rot(axis,theta) \* q is closest to the identity rotation.



**Parameters**

- ← *axis* axis to minimize rotation about
- ← *quat* input

**Returns**

The angle that minimizes the rotation along with the normalized rotation  
`rot(axis,theta)*q`

#### 9.4.2.8 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatFromAxisAngle (const RaveVector< T > & *axisangle*)**

Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.

**Parameters**

*axisangle* unit axis \* rotation angle (radians), 3 values

#### 9.4.2.9 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatFromAxisAngle (const RaveVector< T > & *axis*, T *angle*)**

Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.

**Parameters**

*axis* unit axis, 3 values  
*angle* rotation angle (radians)

**Examples:**

[orplanning\\_ik.cpp](#).

#### 9.4.2.10 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatFromMatrix (const RaveTransformMatrix< T > & *rotation*)**

Converts the rotation of a matrix into a quaternion.

**Parameters**

*t* transform for extracting the 3x3 rotation.

**9.4.2.11 RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatInverse (const RaveVector< T > & *quat*)**

Inverted a quaternion rotation.

**Parameters**

*quat* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

**9.4.2.12 RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatMultiply (const RaveVector< T > & *quat0*, const RaveVector< T > & *quat1*)**

Multiply two quaternions.

**Parameters**

*quat0* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

*quat1* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

**Examples:**

[orplanning\\_ik.cpp](#).

**9.4.2.13 RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatRotate (const RaveVector< T > & *q*, const RaveVector< T > & *t*)**

transform a vector by a quaternion

**Parameters****9.4.2.14 RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatRotateDirection (const RaveVector< T > & *sourcedir*, const RaveVector< T > & *targetdir*)**

Return the minimal quaternion that orients sourcedir to targetdir.

**Parameters**

*sourcedir* direction of the original vector, 3 values

*targetdir* new direction, 3 values

#### 9.4.2.15 **RaveVector<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::quatSlerp (const RaveVector< T > & quat0, const RaveVector< T > & quat1, T t)**

Spherical linear interpolation between two quaternions.

**Parameters**

*quat0* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

*quat1* quaternion, (s,vx,vy,vz)

*t* real value in [0,1]. 0 returns quat1, 1 returns quat2

#### 9.4.2.16 **OPENRAVE\_API dReal OpenRAVE::RaveExp (dReal f)**

exponential

Wrappers of common basic math functions, allows [OpenRAVE](#) to control the precision requirements.

#### 9.4.2.17 **RaveTransformMatrix<T> OpenRAVE::geometry::transformLookat (const RaveVector< T > & vlookat, const RaveVector< T > & vcamapos, const RaveVector< T > & vcamup)**

Returns a camera matrix that looks along a ray with a desired up vector.

**Parameters**

← *vlookat* the point space to look at, the camera will rotation and zoom around this point

← *vcampos* the position of the camera in space

← *vcamup* vector from the camera

## 10 Namespace Documentation

### 10.1 boost Namespace Reference

Modifications controlling boost library behavior.

#### 10.1.1 Detailed Description

Modifications controlling boost library behavior.

### 10.2 OpenRAVE Namespace Reference

The entire OpenRAVE library.

#### Namespaces

- namespace [geometry](#)  
*Templated math and geometric functions.*
- namespace [mathextra](#)  
*Extra math routines that are useful to have but don't really belong anywhere.*

#### Classes

- class [CollisionReport](#)  
*Holds information about a particular collision that occurred.*
- class [CollisionCheckerBase](#)  
*[interface] Responsible for all collision checking queries of the environment. If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe. See [Collision Checker Concepts](#).*
- class [CollisionOptionsStateSaver](#)  
*Helper class to save and restore the collision options. If options are not supported and required is true, throws an exception.*
- class [ControllerBase](#)  
*[interface] Abstract base class to encapsulate a local controller. If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe. See [Controller Concepts](#).*
- class [MultiController](#)

*controller that manage multiple controllers, allows users to easily set multiple controllers for one robot.*

- class [EnvironmentBase](#)

*Maintains a world state, which serves as the gateway to all functions offered through OpenRAVE. See [Environment Concepts](#).*

- class [IkSolverBase](#)

*[interface] Base class for all Inverse Kinematic solvers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts](#).*

- class [InterfaceBase](#)

*[interface] Base class for all interfaces that [OpenRAVE](#) provides. See [Base Interface Concepts](#).*

- class [KinBody](#)

*[interface] A kinematic body of links and joints. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).*

- class [ModuleBase](#)

*[interface] A loadable module of user code meant to solve a specific domain. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Module Concepts](#).*

- class [openrave\\_exception](#)

*Exception that all [OpenRAVE](#) internal methods throw; the error codes are held in [OpenRAVEErrorCode](#).*

- class [UserData](#)

*base class for all user data*

- class [XMLReadable](#)

*base class for readable interfaces*

- class [BaseXMLReader](#)

- class [DummyXMLReader](#)

*reads until the tag ends*

- class [ConfigurationSpecification](#)

*A configuration specification references values in the environment that then define a configuration-space which can be searched for.*

- class [IkParameterization](#)

*Parameterization of basic primitives for querying inverse-kinematics solutions.*

- class [PhysicsEngineBase](#)  
*[interface]* The physics engine interfaces supporting simulations and dynamics. See [Physics Engine Concepts](#).
- class [PlannerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Planner interface that generates trajectories for target objects to follow through the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Planner Concepts](#).
- class [PLUGININFO](#)  
Holds all the OpenRAVE-specific information provided by a plugin.
- class [RobotBase](#)  
*[interface]* A robot is a kinematic body that has attached manipulators, sensors, and controllers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Robot Concepts](#).
- class [SensorBase](#)  
*[interface]* A sensor measures physical properties from the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Sensor Concepts](#).
- class [SensorSystemBase](#)  
*[interface]* Used to manage the creation and destruction of bodies. See [Sensor System Concepts](#).
- class [SimpleSensorSystem](#)  
A very simple sensor system example that manages raw detection data.
- class [SpaceSamplerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Contains space samplers commonly used in planners. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [SpaceSampler Concepts](#).
- class [TrajectoryBase](#)  
*[interface]* Encapsulate a time-parameterized trajectories of robot configurations. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** [Trajectory Concepts](#)
- class [GraphHandle](#)  
Handle holding the plot from the viewers. The plot will continue to be drawn as long as a reference to this handle is held.
- class [ViewerBase](#)  
*[interface]* Base class for the graphics and gui engine that renders the environment and provides visual sensor information. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Viewer Concepts](#).

## Typedefs

- typedef [CollisionReport](#) COLLISIONREPORT [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- typedef boost::weak\_ptr< [EnvironmentBase](#) > [EnvironmentBaseWeakPtr](#)  
*Cloning Options for interfaces and environments.*
- typedef InterfaceBasePtr(\* [PluginExportFn\\_OpenRAVECreateInterface](#) )(InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const char \*pluginhash, const char \*envhash, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*Create the interfaces, see [CreateInterfaceValidated](#).*
- typedef bool(\* [PluginExportFn\\_OpenRAVEGetPluginAttributes](#) )(PLUGININFO \*pinfo, int size, const char \*infohash)  
*Called to fill information about the plugin, see [GetPluginAttributesValidated](#).*
- typedef void(\* [PluginExportFn\\_DestroyPlugin](#) )()  
*Called before plugin is unloaded from openrave. See [DestroyPlugin](#).*
- typedef InterfaceBasePtr(\* [PluginExportFn\\_CreateInterface](#) )(InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const char \*pluginhash, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)
- typedef bool(\* [PluginExportFn\\_GetPluginAttributes](#) )(PLUGININFO \*pinfo, int size)

## Enumerations

- enum [CollisionOptions](#) {  
[CO\\_Distance](#) = 1, [CO\\_UseTolerance](#) = 2, [CO\\_Contacts](#) = 4, [CO\\_RayAnyHit](#) = 8,  
[CO\\_ActiveDOFs](#) = 16 }  
*options for collision checker*
- enum [CollisionAction](#) { [CA\\_DefaultAction](#) = 0, [CA\\_Ignore](#) = 1 }  
*action to perform whenever a collision is detected between objects*
- enum [IkFilterReturn](#) { [IKFR\\_Success](#) = 0, [IKFR\\_Reject](#) = 1, [IKFR\\_Quit](#) = 2 }  
*Return value for the ik filter that can be optionally set on an ik solver.*
- enum [IkFilterOptions](#) {  
[IKFO\\_CheckEnvCollisions](#) = 1, [IKFO\\_IgnoreSelfCollisions](#) = 2, [IKFO\\_IgnoreJointLimits](#) = 4, [IKFO\\_IgnoreCustomFilters](#) = 8,  
[IKFO\\_IgnoreEndEffectorCollisions](#) = 16 }

*Controls what information gets validated when searching for an inverse kinematics solution.*

- enum [SerializationOptions](#) {  
[SO\\_Kinematics](#) = 0x01, [SO\\_Dynamics](#) = 0x02, [SO\\_BodyState](#) = 0x04, [SO\\_NamesAndFiles](#) = 0x08,  
[SO\\_RobotManipulators](#) = 0x10, [SO\\_RobotSensors](#) = 0x20, [SO\\_Geometry](#) = 0x40 }

*serialization options for interfaces*

- enum [OpenRAVEErrorCode](#) { ,  
[ORE\\_CommandNotSupported](#) = 3 , [ORE\\_InvalidPlugin](#) = 5, [ORE\\_InvalidInterfaceHash](#) = 6, [ORE\\_NotImplemented](#) = 7,  
[ORE\\_InconsistentConstraints](#) = 8 }

*OpenRAVE error codes*

- enum [DebugLevel](#) { , [Level\\_VerifyPlans](#) = 0x80000000 }
- enum [CloningOptions](#) {  
[Clone\\_Bodies](#) = 1, [Clone\\_Viewer](#) = 2, [Clone\\_Simulation](#) = 4, [Clone\\_RealControllers](#) = 8,  
[Clone\\_Sensors](#) = 16 }
- enum [IkParameterizationType](#) { ,  
[IKP\\_Transform6D](#) = 0x67000001, [IKP\\_Rotation3D](#) = 0x34000002, [IKP\\_Translation3D](#) = 0x33000003, [IKP\\_Direction3D](#) = 0x23000004,  
[IKP\\_Ray4D](#) = 0x46000005, [IKP\\_Lookat3D](#) = 0x23000006, [IKP\\_TranslationDirection5D](#) = 0x56000007, [IKP\\_TranslationXY2D](#) = 0x22000008,  
[IKP\\_TranslationXYOrientation3D](#) = 0x33000009, [IKP\\_TranslationLocalGlobal6D](#) = 0x3600000a, [IKP\\_NumberOfParameterizations](#) = 10 }

*The types of inverse kinematics parameterizations supported.*

- enum [DOFAffine](#) { ,  
[DOF\\_X](#) = 1, [DOF\\_Y](#) = 2, [DOF\\_Z](#) = 4, [DOF\\_XYZ](#) = [DOF\\_X](#)|[DOF\\_Y](#)|[DOF\\_Z](#),  
[DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) = 8, [DOF\\_Rotation3D](#) = 16, [DOF\\_RotationQuat](#) = 32, [DOF\\_RotationMask](#) = ([DOF\\_RotationAxis](#)|[DOF\\_Rotation3D](#)|[DOF\\_RotationQuat](#)),  
[DOF\\_Transform](#) = ([DOF\\_XYZ](#)|[DOF\\_RotationQuat](#)) }

*Selects which DOFs of the affine transformation to include in the active configuration.*

- enum [PhysicsEngineOptions](#) { [PEO\\_SelfCollisions](#) = 1 }

*basic options for physics engine*



- enum `PlannerStatus` { `PS_Failed` = 0, `PS_HasSolution` = 1, `PS_Interrupted` = 2 }  
the status of the `PlanPath` method. Used when `PlanPath` can be called multiple times to resume planning.
- enum `PlannerAction` { `PA_None` = 0, `PA_Interrupt` = 1, `PA_ReturnWithAnySolution` = 2 }  
action to send to the planner while it is planning. This is usually done by the user-specified planner callback function
- enum `IntervalType` { `IT_Open` = 0, `IT_OpenStart` = 1, `IT_OpenEnd` = 2, `IT_Closed` = 3 }  
Specifies the boundary conditions of intervals for sampling.

## Functions

- `std::string ChangeTextColor` (int attribute, int fg, int bg)  
Change the text color (on either `stdout` or `stderr`) with an `attr:fg:bg` (thanks to Radu Rusu for the code).
- `std::string ChangeTextColor` (int attribute, int fg)  
Change the text color (on either `stdout` or `stderr`) with an `attr:fg` (thanks to Radu Rusu for the code).
- `std::string ResetTextColor` ()  
Reset the text color (on either `stdout` or `stderr`) to its original state (thanks to Radu Rusu for the code).
- `OPENRAVE_API void RaveSetDebugLevel` (int level)  
Sets the global openrave debug level. A combination of `DebugLevel`.
- `OPENRAVE_API int RaveGetDebugLevel` ()  
Returns the openrave debug level.
- `const char * RaveGetSourceFilename` (const char \*pfilename)  
extracts only the filename
- `DefineRavePrintFW` (\_FATALLEVEL) `DefineRavePrintFW` (\_ERRORLEVEL)  
`DefineRavePrintFW` (\_WARNLEVEL) `DefineRavePrintFW` (\_DEBUGLEVEL)  
`DefineRavePrintFW` (\_VERBOSELEVEL) `DefineRavePrintFA` (\_FATALLEVEL)  
`DefineRavePrintFA` (\_ERRORLEVEL) `DefineRavePrintFA` (\_WARNLEVEL)  
`DefineRavePrintFA` (\_DEBUGLEVEL) `DefineRavePrintFA` (\_VERBOSELEVEL) enum `InterfaceType`

*adds the function name and line number to an openrave exception*

- OPENRAVE\_API int [RaveGetIndexFromAffineDOF](#) (int affinedofs, DOFAffine dof)

*Given a mask of affine dofs and a dof inside that mask, returns the index where the value could be found.*

- OPENRAVE\_API DOFAffine [RaveGetAffineDOFFromIndex](#) (int affinedofs, int index)

*Given a mask of affine dofs and an index into the array, returns the affine dof that is being referenced.*

- OPENRAVE\_API int [RaveGetAffineDOF](#) (int affinedofs)

*Returns the degrees of freedom needed to represent all the values in the affine dof mask.*

- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveGetAffineDOFValuesFromTransform](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues, const Transform &t, int affinedofs, const Vector &vActvAffineRotationAxis=Vector(0, 0, 1))

*Converts the transformation matrix into the specified affine values format.*

- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveGetTransformFromAffineDOFValues](#) (Transform &t, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itvalues, int affinedofs, const Vector &vActvAffineRotationAxis=Vector(0, 0, 1))

*Converts affine dof values into a transform.*

- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveInitRandomGeneration](#) (uint32\_t seed)
- OPENRAVE\_API uint32\_t [RaveRandomInt](#) ()
- OPENRAVE\_API float [RaveRandomFloat](#) (IntervalType interval=IT\_Closed)
- OPENRAVE\_API double [RaveRandomDouble](#) (IntervalType interval=IT\_Closed)
- bool [RaveParseDirectories](#) (const char \*pdirs, std::vector< std::string > &vdirs)

*separates the directories from a string and returns them in a vector*

- OPENRAVE\_API std::ostream & [operator<<](#) (std::ostream &O, const [Planner-Base::PlannerParameters](#) &v)
- OPENRAVE\_API std::istream & [operator>>](#) (std::istream &I, [Planner-Base::PlannerParameters](#) &v)
- OPENRAVE\_CORE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr [RaveCreateEnvironment](#) ()
- OPENRAVE\_CORE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr [CreateEnvironment](#) (bool bLoadAllPlugins=true) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveExp](#) (dReal f)

*exponential*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog](#) (dReal f)

*logarithm*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveCos](#) (dReal f)

*cosine*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveSin](#) (dReal f)

*sine*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveTan](#) (dReal f)

*tangent*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog2](#) (dReal f)

*base 2 logarithm*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveLog10](#) (dReal f)

*base 10 logarithm*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAcos](#) (dReal f)

*arccosine*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAsin](#) (dReal f)

*arcsine*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveAtan2](#) (dReal fy, dReal fx)

*arctangent2 covering entire circle*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RavePow](#) (dReal fx, dReal fy)

*power  $x^y$*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveSqrt](#) (dReal f)

*square-root*

- OPENRAVE\_API dReal [RaveFabs](#) (dReal f)

*absolute value*

### Global Functionality - Interface Creation, Plugin Management, Logging

- const char \* [RaveGetInterfaceHash](#) (InterfaceType type)

*Returns the a 16 character null-terminated string specifying a hash of the interfaces used for checking changes.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`boost::shared_ptr< T > RaveInterfaceCast (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface)`  
*Safely casts from the base interface class to an openrave interface using static\_pointer\_cast.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`boost::shared_ptr< T const > RaveInterfaceConstCast (InterfaceBaseConstPtr pinterface)`  
*Safely casts from the base interface class to an openrave interface using static\_pointer\_cast.*
- `OPENRAVE_API const std::map< InterfaceType, std::string > & RaveGetInterfaceNamesMap ()`  
*returns a lower case string of the interface type*
- `OPENRAVE_API const std::string & RaveGetInterfaceName (InterfaceType type)`
- `OPENRAVE_API const std::map< IkParameterizationType, std::string > & RaveGetIkParameterizationMap ()`  
*returns a string of the ik parameterization type names (can include upper case in order to match [IkParameterizationType](#))*
- `OPENRAVE_API std::string RaveGetHomeDirectory ()`  
*Returns the openrave home directory where settings, cache, and other files are stored.*
- `OPENRAVE_API std::string RaveFindDatabaseFile (const std::string &filename, bool bRead=true)`  
*Searches for a filename in the database and returns a full path/URL to it.*
- `OPENRAVE_API int RaveInitialize (bool bLoadAllPlugins=true, int level=Level_Info)`  
*Explicitly initializes the global [OpenRAVE](#) state (optional).*
- `OPENRAVE_API void RaveInitializeFromState (UserDataPtr globalstate)`  
*Initializes the global state from an already loaded [OpenRAVE](#) environment.*
- `OPENRAVE_API UserDataPtr RaveGlobalState ()`  
*A pointer to the global openrave state.*
- `OPENRAVE_API void RaveDestroy ()`  
*Destroys the entire [OpenRAVE](#) state and all loaded environments.*
- `OPENRAVE_API void RaveGetPluginInfo (std::list< std::pair< std::string, PLUGININFO > > &plugins)`  
*Get all the loaded plugins and the interfaces they support.*

- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveGetLoadedInterfaces](#) (std::map< InterfaceType, std::vector< std::string > > &interfacenames)  
*Get a list of all the loaded interfaces.*
- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveReloadPlugins](#) ()  
*Reloads all the plugins.*
- OPENRAVE\_API bool [RaveLoadPlugin](#) (const std::string &libraryname)  
*Load a plugin and its interfaces.*
- OPENRAVE\_API bool [RaveHasInterface](#) (InterfaceType type, const std::string &interfacename)  
*Returns true if interface can be created, otherwise false.*
- OPENRAVE\_API InterfaceBasePtr **RaveCreateInterface** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, InterfaceType type, const std::string &interfacename)
- OPENRAVE\_API RobotBasePtr **RaveCreateRobot** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name="")
- OPENRAVE\_API PlannerBasePtr **RaveCreatePlanner** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API SensorSystemBasePtr **RaveCreateSensorSystem** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API ControllerBasePtr **RaveCreateController** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API ModuleBasePtr **RaveCreateModule** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API ModuleBasePtr **RaveCreateProblem** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API ModuleBasePtr **RaveCreateProblemInstance** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API IkSolverBasePtr **RaveCreateIkSolver** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API PhysicsEngineBasePtr **RaveCreatePhysicsEngine** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API SensorBasePtr **RaveCreateSensor** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API CollisionCheckerBasePtr **RaveCreateCollisionChecker** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API ViewerBasePtr **RaveCreateViewer** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API SpaceSamplerBasePtr **RaveCreateSpaceSampler** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name)
- OPENRAVE\_API KinBodyPtr **RaveCreateKinBody** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name="")
- OPENRAVE\_API TrajectoryBasePtr [RaveCreateTrajectory](#) (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &name="")  
*Return an empty trajectory instance.*

- OPENRAVE\_API TrajectoryBasePtr **RaveCreateTrajectory** (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, int dof) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- OPENRAVE\_API UserDataPtr [RaveRegisterInterface](#) (InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const char \*interfacehash, const char \*envhash, const boost::function< InterfaceBasePtr(EnvironmentBasePtr, std::istream &)> &createfn)  
*Registers a function to create an interface, this allows the interface to be created by other modules.*
- OPENRAVE\_API UserDataPtr [RaveRegisterXMLReader](#) (InterfaceType type, const std::string &xmltag, const CreateXMLReaderFn &fn)  
*Registers a custom xml reader for a particular interface.*
- OPENRAVE\_API int [RaveGetEnvironmentId](#) (EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*return the environment's unique id, returns 0 if environment could not be found or not registered*
- OPENRAVE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr [RaveGetEnvironment](#) (int id)  
*get the environment from its unique id*
- OPENRAVE\_API void [RaveGetEnvironments](#) (std::list< EnvironmentBasePtr > &listenvironments)  
*Return all the created [OpenRAVE](#) environments.*
- OPENRAVE\_API BaseXMLReaderPtr [RaveCallXMLReader](#) (InterfaceType type, const std::string &xmltag, InterfaceBasePtr pinterface, const AttributesList &atts)  
*Returns the current registered reader for the interface type/xmlid.*

## Variables

- static const dReal [PI](#) = (dReal)3.14159265358979323846  
*openrave constant for PI, could be replaced by accurate precision number depending on choice of dReal.*

### 10.2.1 Detailed Description

The entire OpenRAVE library.

### 10.2.2 Typedef Documentation

**10.2.2.1** `typedef InterfaceBasePtr(* PluginExportFn_-  
CreateInterface)(InterfaceType type, const std::string &name, const  
char *pluginhash, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)`

**10.2.2.2** `typedef bool(* PluginExportFn_GetPluginAttributes)(PLUGININFO  
*pinfo, int size)`

**10.2.2.3** `typedef TrajectoryBase Trajectory RAVE_DEPRECATED`

### 10.2.3 Enumeration Type Documentation

#### 10.2.3.1 enum CloningOptions

##### Enumerator:

***Clone\_Bodies*** clone all the bodies/robots of the environment, exclude attached interfaces like sensors/controllers

***Clone\_Viewer*** clone the viewer type, although figures won't be copied, new viewer does try to match views

***Clone\_Simulation*** clone the physics engine and simulation state (ie, timesteps, gravity)

***Clone\_RealControllers*** if specified, will clone the real controllers of all the robots, otherwise each robot gets ideal controller

***Clone\_Sensors*** if specified, will clone the sensors attached to the robot and added to the environment

#### 10.2.3.2 enum CollisionAction

action to perform whenever a collision is detected between objects

**Enumerator:**

- CA\_DefaultAction* let the physics/collision engine resolve the action  
*CA\_Ignore* do nothing

**10.2.3.3 enum CollisionOptions**

options for collision checker

**Enumerator:**

- CO\_Distance* Compute distance measurements, this is usually slow and not all checkers support it.  
*CO\_UseTolerance* not used  
*CO\_Contacts* Return the contact points of the collision in the [CollisionReport](#).  
Note that this takes longer to compute.  
*CO\_RayAnyHit* When performing collision with rays, if this is set, algorithm just returns any hit instead of the closest (can be faster).  
*CO\_ActiveDOFs* Allows planners to greatly reduce redundant collision checks. If set and the target object is a robot, then only the links controlled by the currently set active DOFs and their attached bodies will be checked for collisions.  
The things that **\*\*will not be\*\*** checked for collision are:
- links that do not remove with respect to each other as a result of moving the active dofs.

**10.2.3.4 enum DebugLevel****Enumerator:**

- Level\_VerifyPlans* if set, should verify every plan returned. the verification is left up to the planners or the modules calling the planners. See `planningutils::ValidateTrajectory`

**10.2.3.5 enum DOFAffine**

Selects which DOFs of the affine transformation to include in the active configuration.



**Enumerator:**

- DOF\_X*** can move in the x direction
- DOF\_Y*** can move in the y direction
- DOF\_Z*** can move in the z direction
- DOF\_XYZ*** moves in xyz direction
- DOF\_RotationAxis*** can rotate around an axis (1 dof)
- DOF\_Rotation3D*** can rotate freely (3 dof), the parameterization is  $\theta * v$ , where  $v$  is the rotation axis and  $\theta$  is the angle about that axis
- DOF\_RotationQuat*** can rotate freely (4 dof), parameterization is a quaternion. In order for limits to work correctly, the quaternion is in the space of `_vRotationQuatLimitStart`. `_vRotationQuatLimitStart` is always left-multiplied before setting the transform!
- DOF\_RotationMask*** mask for all bits representing 3D rotations
- DOF\_Transform*** translate and rotate freely in 3D space

**10.2.3.6 enum IkFilterOptions**

Controls what information gets validated when searching for an inverse kinematics solution.

**Enumerator:**

- IKFO\_CheckEnvCollisions*** will check environment collisions with the robot (not checked by default)
- IKFO\_IgnoreSelfCollisions*** will not check the self-collision of the robot (checked by default)
- IKFO\_IgnoreJointLimits*** will not check the joint limits of the robot (checked by default)
- IKFO\_IgnoreCustomFilters*** will not use the custom filter, even if one is set
- IKFO\_IgnoreEndEffectorCollisions*** will not check collision with the environment and the end effector links and bodies attached to the end effector links. The end effector links are defined by [RobotBase::Manipulator::GetChildLinks](#). Use this option when [RobotBase::Manipulator::CheckEndEffectorCollision](#) has already been called, or it is ok for the end effector to collide given the IK constraints. Self-collisions between the moving links and end effector are still checked.

### 10.2.3.7 enum IkFilterReturn

Return value for the ik filter that can be optionally set on an ik solver.

#### Enumerator:

- IKFR\_Success*** the ik solution is good
- IKFR\_Reject*** reject the ik solution
- IKFR\_Quit*** the ik solution is rejected and the ik call itself should quit with failure

### 10.2.3.8 enum IkParameterizationType

The types of inverse kinematics parameterizations supported.

The minimum degree of freedoms required is set in the upper 4 bits of each type. The number of values used to represent the parameterization (  $\geq$  dof ) is the next 4 bits. The lower bits contain a unique id of the type.

#### Enumerator:

- IKP\_Transform6D*** end effector reaches desired 6D transformation
- IKP\_Rotation3D*** end effector reaches desired 3D rotation
- IKP\_Translation3D*** end effector origin reaches desired 3D translation
- IKP\_Direction3D*** direction on end effector coordinate system reaches desired direction
- IKP\_Ray4D*** ray on end effector coordinate system reaches desired global ray
- IKP\_Lookat3D*** direction on end effector coordinate system points to desired 3D position
- IKP\_TranslationDirection5D*** end effector origin and direction reaches desired 3D translation and direction. Can be thought of as Ray IK where the origin of the ray must coincide.
- IKP\_TranslationXY2D*** 2D translation along XY plane
- IKP\_TranslationXYOrientation3D*** 2D translation along XY plane and 1D rotation around Z axis. The offset of the rotation is measured starting at +X, so at +X is it 0, at +Y it is  $\pi/2$ .
- IKP\_TranslationLocalGlobal6D*** local point on end effector origin reaches desired 3D global point
- IKP\_NumberOfParameterizations*** number of parameterizations (does not count IKP\_None)

### 10.2.3.9 enum IntervalType

Specifies the boundary conditions of intervals for sampling.

**Enumerator:**

*IT\_Open* (a,b)  
*IT\_OpenStart* (a,b]  
*IT\_OpenEnd* [a,b)  
*IT\_Closed* [a,b]

### 10.2.3.10 enum OpenRAVEErrorCode

OpenRAVE error codes

**Enumerator:**

*ORE\_CommandNotSupported* string command could not be parsed or is not supported  
*ORE\_InvalidPlugin* shared object is not a valid plugin  
*ORE\_InvalidInterfaceHash* interface hashes do not match between plugins  
*ORE\_NotImplemented* function is not implemented by the interface.  
*ORE\_InconsistentConstraints* return solutions or trajectories do not follow the constraints of the planner/module

### 10.2.3.11 enum PhysicsEngineOptions

basic options for physics engine

**Enumerator:**

*PEO\_SelfCollisions* if set, physics engine will use contact forces from self-collisions

### 10.2.3.12 enum PlannerAction

action to send to the planner while it is planning. This is usually done by the user-specified planner callback function

**Enumerator:**

- PA\_None* no action
- PA\_Interrupt* interrupt the planner and return to user
- PA\_ReturnWithAnySolution* return quickly with any path

### 10.2.3.13 enum PlannerStatus

the status of the PlanPath method. Used when PlanPath can be called multiple times to resume planning.

**Enumerator:**

- PS\_Failed* planner failed
- PS\_HasSolution* planner succeeded
- PS\_Interrupted* planning was interrupted, but can be resumed by calling PlanPath again

### 10.2.3.14 enum SerializationOptions

serialization options for interfaces

**Enumerator:**

- SO\_Kinematics* kinematics information
- SO\_Dynamics* dynamics information
- SO\_BodyState* state of the body
- SO\_NamesAndFiles* resource files and names
- SO\_RobotManipulators* serialize robot manipulators
- SO\_RobotSensors* serialize robot sensors
- SO\_Geometry* geometry information (for collision detection)

### 10.2.4 Function Documentation

#### 10.2.4.1 OPENRAVE\_CORE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr OpenRAVE::CreateEnvironment (bool *bLoadAllPlugins* = `true`)

#### 10.2.4.2 OpenRAVE::DefineRavePrintfW (\_FATALLEVEL)

adds the function name and line number to an openrave exception

Enumeration of all the interfaces.

#### 10.2.4.3 OPENRAVE\_API std::ostream& OpenRAVE::operator<< (std::ostream & *O*, const PlannerBase::PlannerParameters & *v*)

```
<PlannerParameters>
```

tags

#### 10.2.4.4 OPENRAVE\_API std::istream& OpenRAVE::operator>> (std::istream & *I*, PlannerBase::PlannerParameters & *v*)

```
<PlannerParameters>
```

to be the first token. Parses stream until

```
</PlannerParameters>
```

reached

#### 10.2.4.5 OPENRAVE\_API BaseXMLReaderPtr OpenRAVE::RaveCallXMLReader (InterfaceType *type*, const std::string & *xmltag*, InterfaceBasePtr *pinterface*, const AttributesList & *atts*)

Returns the current registered reader for the interface type/xmlid.

### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Will throw with ORE\_InvalidArguments if registered function could not be found.

#### 10.2.4.6 OPENRAVE\_CORE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr OpenRAVE::RaveCreateEnvironment ()

Creates an [OpenRAVE](#) environment.

### Parameters

*bLoadAllPlugins* passed into [RaveInitialize](#)

#### 10.2.4.7 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveDestroy ()

Destroys the entire [OpenRAVE](#) state and all loaded environments.

This functions should be always called before program shutdown in order to assure all resources are relased appropriately.

#### 10.2.4.8 OPENRAVE\_API std::string OpenRAVE::RaveFindDatabaseFile (const std::string &filename, bool bRead = true)

Searches for a filename in the database and returns a full path/URL to it.

### Parameters

*filename* the relative filename in the database

*bRead* if true will only return a file if it exists. If false, will return the filename of the first valid database directory.

### Returns

a non-empty string if a file could be found.

#### 10.2.4.9 OPENRAVE\_API int OpenRAVE::RaveGetAffineDOF (int *affinedofs*)

Returns the degrees of freedom needed to represent all the values in the affine dof mask.

**Exceptions**

*openrave\_exception* throws if

#### 10.2.4.10 OPENRAVE\_API DOFAffine Open-RAVE::RaveGetAffineDOFFromIndex (int *affinedofs*, int *index*)

Given a mask of affine dofs and an index into the array, returns the affine dof that is being referenced.

**Parameters**

*affinedofs* a mask of [DOFAffine](#) values

*index* an index into the affine dof array

**Exceptions**

*openrave\_exception* throws if dof if index is out of bounds

#### 10.2.4.11 OPENRAVE\_API void Open-RAVE::RaveGetAffineDOFValuesFromTransform (std::vector< dReal >::iterator *itvalues*, const Transform & *t*, int *affinedofs*, const Vector & *vActvAffineRotationAxis* = Vector(0, 0, 1))

Converts the transformation matrix into the specified affine values format.

**Parameters**

→ *itvalues* an iterator to the vector to write the values to. Will write exactly RaveGetAffineDOF(affinedofs) values.

← *the* affine transformation to convert

← *affinedofs* the affine format to output values in

← *vActvAffineRotationAxis* optional rotation axis if affinedofs specified [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#)

#### 10.2.4.12 OPENRAVE\_API EnvironmentBasePtr OpenRAVE::RaveGetEnvironment (int *id*)

get the environment from its unique id

##### Parameters

*id* the unique environment id returned by [RaveGetEnvironmentId](#)

#### 10.2.4.13 OPENRAVE\_API std::string OpenRAVE::RaveGetHomeDirectory ()

Returns the openrave home directory where settings, cache, and other files are stored.

On Linux/Unix systems, this is usually \$HOME/.openrave, on Windows this is \$HOMEPATH/.openrave

#### 10.2.4.14 OPENRAVE\_API int OpenRAVE::RaveGetIndexFromAffineDOF (int *affinedofs*, DOFAffine *dof*)

Given a mask of affine dofs and a dof inside that mask, returns the index where the value could be found.

##### Parameters

*affinedofs* a mask of [DOFAffine](#) values

*dof* a set of values inside *affinedofs*, the index of the first value is returned

##### Exceptions

[openrave\\_exception](#) throws if *dof* is not present in *affinedofs*

#### 10.2.4.15 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveGetPluginInfo (std::list< std::pair< std::string, PLUGININFO > > & *plugins*)

Get all the loaded plugins and the interfaces they support.

##### Parameters

*plugins* A list of plugins. Each entry has the plugin name and the interfaces it supports



**10.2.4.16 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveGetTransformFromAffineDOFValues**  
 (Transform & *t*, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator *itvalues*,  
 int *affinedofs*, const Vector & *vActvAffineRotationAxis* =  
 Vector(0, 0, 1))

Converts affine dof values into a transform.

Note that depending on what the dof values holds, only a part of the transform will be updated.

#### Parameters

- *t* the output transform
- ← *itvalues* the start iterator of the affine dof values
- ← *affinedofs* the affine dof mask
- ← *vActvAffineRotationAxis* optional rotation axis if *affinedofs* specified [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#)

**10.2.4.17 OPENRAVE\_API UserDataPtr OpenRAVE::RaveGlobalState ()**

A pointer to the global openrave state.

#### Returns

- a managed pointer to the state.

**10.2.4.18 OPENRAVE\_API int OpenRAVE::RaveInitialize (bool  
*bLoadAllPlugins* = true, int *level* = Level\_Info)**

Explicitly initializes the global [OpenRAVE](#) state (optional).

Optional function to initialize openrave plugins and logging. Although environment creation will automatically make sure this function is called, users might want explicit control of when this happens.

#### Parameters

- bLoadAllPlugins* If true will load all the openrave plugins automatically that can be found in the OPENRAVE\_PLUGINS environment path

**Returns**

0 if successful, otherwise an error code

**10.2.4.19 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveInitializeFromState  
(UserDataPtr *globalstate*)**

Initializes the global state from an already loaded [OpenRAVE](#) environment.

Because of shared object boundaries, it is necessary to pass the global state pointer around. If using plugin.h, this function is automatically called by [CreateInterfaceValidated](#). It is also called by and every [InterfaceBase](#) constructor.

**Parameters**

← *globalstate*

**10.2.4.20 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveInitRandomGeneration  
(uint32\_t *seed*)****10.2.4.21 boost::shared\_ptr<T> OpenRAVE::RaveInterfaceCast  
(InterfaceBasePtr *pinterface*)**

Safely casts from the base interface class to an openrave interface using `static_pointer_cast`.

The reason why `dynamic_pointer_cast` cannot be used is because interfaces might be created by different plugins, and the runtime type information will be different.

**10.2.4.22 boost::shared\_ptr<T const> OpenRAVE::RaveInterfaceConstCast  
(InterfaceBaseConstPtr *pinterface*)**

Safely casts from the base interface class to an openrave interface using `static_pointer_cast`.

The reason why `dynamic_pointer_cast` cannot be used is because interfaces might be created by different plugins, and the runtime type information will be different.

**10.2.4.23 OPENRAVE\_API bool OpenRAVE::RaveLoadPlugin (const std::string & *libraryname*)**

Load a plugin and its interfaces.

If the plugin is already loaded, will reload it.

**Parameters**

*name* the filename of the plugin to load

**10.2.4.24 OPENRAVE\_API double OpenRAVE::RaveRandomDouble (IntervalType *interval* = IT\_Closed)****10.2.4.25 OPENRAVE\_API float OpenRAVE::RaveRandomFloat (IntervalType *interval* = IT\_Closed)****10.2.4.26 OPENRAVE\_API uint32\_t OpenRAVE::RaveRandomInt ()****10.2.4.27 OPENRAVE\_API UserDataPtr OpenRAVE::RaveRegisterInterface (InterfaceType *type*, const std::string & *name*, const char \* *interfacehash*, const char \* *envhash*, const boost::function< InterfaceBasePtr(EnvironmentBasePtr, std::istream &)> & *createfn*)**

Registers a function to create an interface, this allows the interface to be created by other modules.

**Parameters**

*type* interface type

*name* interface name

*interfacehash* the hash of the interface being created (use the global defines OPENRAVE\_X\_HASH)

*envhash* the hash of the environment (use the global define OPENRAVE\_ENVIRONMENT\_HASH)

*createfn* functions to create the interface it takes two parameters: the environment and an istream to the rest of the interface creation arguments.

### Returns

a handle if function is successfully registered. By destroying the handle, the interface will be automatically unregistered.

### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Will throw with ORE\_InvalidInterfaceHash if hashes do not match

#### 10.2.4.28 OPENRAVE\_API UserDataPtr OpenRAVE::RaveRegisterXMLReader (InterfaceType type, const std::string & xmltag, const CreateXMLReaderFn & fn)

Registers a custom xml reader for a particular interface.

Once registered, anytime an interface is created through XML and the xmltag is seen, the function CreateXMLReaderFn will be called to get a reader for that tag

### Parameters

*xmltag* the tag specified in xmltag is seen in the interface, the the custom reader will be created.

*fn* CreateXMLReaderFn(pinterface,atts) - passed in the pointer to the interface where the tag was seen along with the list of attributes

### Returns

a pointer holding the registration, releasing the pointer will unregister the XML reader

#### 10.2.4.29 OPENRAVE\_API void OpenRAVE::RaveReloadPlugins ()

Reloads all the plugins.

The interfaces currently created remain will continue using the old plugins, so this function is safe in that plugins currently loaded remain loaded until the last interface that uses them is released.

## 10.3 OpenRAVE::geometry Namespace Reference

Templated math and geometric functions.

### Classes

- class [RaveVector](#)  
*Vector class containing 4 dimensions.*
- class [RaveTransform](#)  
*Affine transformation parameterized with quaternions.*
- class [RaveTransformMatrix](#)  
*Affine transformation parameterized with rotation matrices. Scales and shears are not supported.*
- class [ray](#)  
*A ray defined by an origin and a direction.*
- class [aabb](#)  
*An axis aligned bounding box.*
- class [obb](#)  
*An oriented bounding box.*
- class [triangle](#)  
*A triangle defined by 3 points.*
- class [frustum](#)  
*A pyramid with its vertex clipped.*
- class [RaveCameraIntrinsics](#)  
*intrinsic parameters for a camera.*

### Functions

- `template<typename T >  
RaveVector< T > quatFromAxisAngle (const RaveVector< T > &axis, T angle)`  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatFromAxisAngle` (const `RaveVector< T >` &axisangle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation into a quaternion.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatFromMatrix` (const `RaveTransformMatrix< T >` &rotation)  
*Converts the rotation of a matrix into a quaternion.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromQuat` (const `RaveVector< T >` &quat)  
*Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`void matrixFromQuat` (`RaveTransformMatrix< T >` &rotation, const `RaveVector< T >` &quat)  
*Converts a quaternion to a 3x3 matrix.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromAxisAngle` (const `RaveVector< T >` &axis, T angle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveTransformMatrix< T > matrixFromAxisAngle` (const `RaveVector< T >` &axisangle)  
*Converts an axis-angle rotation to a 3x3 matrix.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatMultiply` (const `RaveVector< T >` &quat0, const `RaveVector< T >` &quat1)  
*Multiply two quaternions.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatInverse` (const `RaveVector< T >` &quat)  
*Inverted a quaternion rotation.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`RaveVector< T > quatSlerp` (const `RaveVector< T >` &quat0, const `RaveVector< T >` &quat1, T t)  
*Spherical linear interpolation between two quaternions.*

- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector](#)< T > [quatRotate](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &q, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &t)  
*transform a vector by a quaternion*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector](#)< T > [quatRotateDirection](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &sourcedir, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &targetdir)  
*Return the minimal quaternion that orients sourcedir to targetdir.*
- template<typename T >  
std::pair< T, [RaveVector](#)< T > > [normalizeAxisRotation](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &axis, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &quat)  
*Find the rotation theta around axis such that rot(axis,theta) \* q is closest to the identity rotation.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector](#)< T > [axisAngleFromQuat](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &quat)  
*Converts a quaternion into the axis-angle representation.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveVector](#)< T > [axisAngleFromMatrix](#) (const [RaveTransformMatrix](#)< T > &rotation)  
*Converts the rotation of a matrix into axis-angle representation.*
- template<typename T >  
[RaveTransformMatrix](#)< T > [transformLookat](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &vlookat, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &vcamerapos, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &vcameraup)  
*Returns a camera matrix that looks along a ray with a desired up vector.*
- template<typename T >  
int [insideQuadrilateral](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > &v, const [RaveVector](#)< T > &verts)  
*Tests a point inside a 3D quadrilateral.*
- template<typename T >  
int [insideTriangle](#) (const [RaveVector](#)< T > v, const [triangle](#)< T > &tri)  
*Tests a point insdie a 3D triangle.*
- template<typename T >  
bool [RayAABBTest](#) (const [ray](#)< T > &r, const [aabb](#)< T > &ab)  
*Test collision of a ray with an axis aligned bounding box.*

- `template<typename T >`  
`bool RayOBCTest (const Ray< T > &r, const obb< T > &o)`  
*Test collision of a ray and an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool IsOBBinFrustum (const obb< T > &o, const frustum< T > &fr)`  
*Test collision of an oriented bounding box and a frustum.*
- `template<typename T , typename U >`  
`bool IsOBBinConvexHull (const obb< T > &o, const U &vplanes)`  
*Tests if an oriented bounding box is inside a 3D convex hull.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool TriTriCollision (const RaveVector< T > &u1, const RaveVector< T > &u2, const RaveVector< T > &u3, const RaveVector< T > &v1, const RaveVector< T > &v2, const RaveVector< T > &v3, RaveVector< T > &contactpos, RaveVector< T > &contactnorm)`  
*Test collision if two 3D triangles.  
Assuming triangle vertices are declared counter-clockwise!!*
- `template<typename T >`  
`obb< T > OBBFromAABB (const aabb< T > &ab, const RaveTransformMatrix< T > &t)`  
*Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`obb< T > OBBFromAABB (const aabb< T > &ab, const RaveTransform< T > &t)`  
*Transform an axis aligned bounding box to an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`obb< T > TransformOBB (const RaveTransform< T > &t, const obb< T > &o)`  
*Transforms an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`obb< T > TransformOBB (const RaveTransformMatrix< T > &t, const obb< T > &o)`  
*Transforms an oriented bounding box.*
- `template<typename T >`  
`bool AABBCollision (const aabb< T > &ab1, const aabb< T > &ab2)`  
*projects an obb along the world axes*



**Primitive Serialization functions.**

*Don't add new lines to the output << operators. Some applications use it to serialize the data to send across the network.*

- `template<typename U >  
std::ostream & operator<< (std::ostream &O, const RaveVector< U > &v)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::istream & operator>> (std::istream &I, RaveVector< U > &v)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::ostream & operator<< (std::ostream &O, const RaveTransform< U > &v)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::istream & operator>> (std::istream &I, RaveTransform< U > &v)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::ostream & operator<< (std::ostream &O, const ray< U > &r)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::istream & operator>> (std::istream &I, ray< U > &r)`
- `template<typename U >  
std::ostream & operator<< (std::ostream &O, const RaveTransformMatrix< U > &v)`  
*serialize in column order! This is the format transformations are passed across the network*
- `template<typename U >  
std::istream & operator>> (std::istream &I, RaveTransformMatrix< U > &v)`  
*de-serialize in column order! This is the format transformations are passed across the network*

**Distnace functions.**

- `template<typename T >  
T DistVertexOBBSq (const RaveVector< T > &v, const obb< T > &o)`  
*The minimum distance form the vertex to the oriented bounding box.*

**10.3.1 Detailed Description**

Templated math and geometric functions.

**10.4 OpenRAVE::mathextra Namespace Reference**

Extra math routines that are useful to have but don't really belong anywhere.

## Functions

- template<typename T >  
bool [eig2](#) (const T \*pmat, T \*peigs, T &fv1x, T &fv1y, T &fv2x, T &fv2y)
- template<typename T >  
void [GetCovarBasisVectors](#) (const T fCovariance[3][3], T vbasis[3][3])
- template<typename T >  
void [svd3](#) (const T \*A, T \*U, T \*D, T \*V)
- template<typename T >  
bool [inv2](#) (T \*pf, T \*pfres)  
*takes the inverse of the 2x2 matrix pf and stores it into pfres, returns true if matrix is invertible*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_mult3\\_s4](#) (T \*pfres, const T \*pf1, const T \*pf2)  
*mult3 with a 3x3 matrix whose row stride is 16 bytes*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_mult3\\_s3](#) (T \*pfres, const T \*pf1, const T \*pf2)  
*mult3 with a 3x3 matrix whose row stride is 12 bytes*
- template<typename T >  
T [matrixdet3](#) (const T \*pf, int stride)  
*Compute the determinant of a 3x3 matrix whose row stride stride elements.*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_inv3](#) (const T \*pf, T \*pfres, T \*pfdet, int stride)  
*3x3 matrix inverse.*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_inv4](#) (const T \*pf, T \*pfres)  
*4x4 matrix inverse.*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_transpose3](#) (const T \*pf, T \*pfres)  
*Transpose a 3x3 matrix.*
- template<typename T >  
T \* [\\_transpose4](#) (const T \*pf, T \*pfres)  
*Transpose a 4x4 matrix.*

### 10.4.1 Detailed Description

Extra math routines that are useful to have but don't really belong anywhere.

### 10.4.2 Function Documentation

#### 10.4.2.1 `T* OpenRAVE::mathextra::_inv3 (const T * pf, T * pfres, T * pfdet, int stride)`

3x3 matrix inverse.

##### Parameters

- ← *pf* the input 3x3 matrix
- *pf* the result of the operation, can be the same matrix as *pf*
- *pfdet* if not NULL, fills it with the determinant of the source matrix
- ← *stride* the stride in elements between elements.

#### 10.4.2.2 `bool eig2 (const T * pfmat, T * peigs, T & fv1x, T & fv1y, T & fv2x, T & fv2y)`

extract eigen values and vectors from a 2x2 matrix and returns true if all values are real returned eigen vectors are normalized

#### 10.4.2.3 `void OpenRAVE::mathextra::GetCovarBasisVectors (const T fCovariance[3][3], T vbasis[3][3])`

Computes the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix and forms a basis

##### Parameters

- ← *fCovariance* a symmetric 3x3 matrix.
- *vbasis* the basis vectors extracted (form a right hand coordinate system).

#### 10.4.2.4 `void svd3 (const T * A, T * U, T * D, T * V)`

SVD of a 3x3 matrix A such that  $A = U \cdot \text{diag}(D) \cdot V'$  The row stride for all matrices is  $3 \cdot \text{sizeof}(T)$  bytes

**Parameters**

$\leftarrow \boldsymbol{A}$  3x3 matrix

$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{U}$  3x3 matrix

$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{D}$  3x1 matrix

$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{V}$  3x3 matrix

## 11 Class Documentation

### 11.1 aabb< T > Class Template Reference

An axis aligned bounding box.

#### 11.1.1 Detailed Description

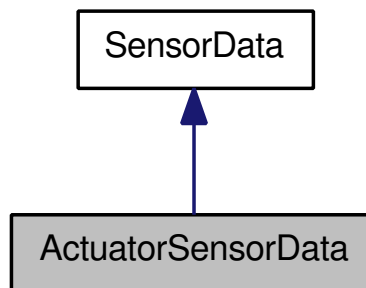
`template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::aabb< T >`

An axis aligned bounding box.

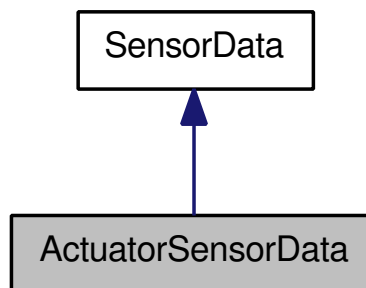
### 11.2 ActuatorSensorData Class Reference

An actuator for modeling motors and other mechanisms that produce torque/force. The actuator has only one degree of freedom.

Inheritance diagram for ActuatorSensorData:



Collaboration diagram for ActuatorSensorData:



### Public Types

- enum [ActuatorState](#) {  
    [AS\\_Undefined](#) = 0, [AS\\_Idle](#) = 1, [AS\\_Moving](#) = 2, [AS\\_Stalled](#) = 3,  
    [AS\\_Braked](#) = 4 }  
    *the state of the actuator*

### Public Attributes

- dReal [measuredcurrent](#)  
    *measured current from the actuator*
- dReal [measuredtemperature](#)  
    *measured temperature from the actuator*
- dReal [appliedcurrent](#)  
    *current sent to the actuator*

#### 11.2.1 Detailed Description

An actuator for modeling motors and other mechanisms that produce torque/force. The actuator has only one degree of freedom.

#### 11.2.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

##### 11.2.2.1 enum ActuatorState

the state of the actuator

##### Enumerator:

***AS\_Undefined*** returned when no state is defined

***AS\_Idle*** this actuator is idle

***AS\_Moving*** this actuator is in motion from previous commands

***AS\_Stalled*** the actuator is stalled, needs to be unstalled by sending a ready signal

***AS\_Braked*** the actuator is braked

## 11.3 AttachedSensor Class Reference

Attaches a sensor to a link on the robot.

### Public Member Functions

- virtual SensorBase::SensorDataPtr [GetData](#) () const  
*retrieves the current data from the sensor*
- virtual const std::string & [GetStructureHash](#) () const

#### 11.3.1 Detailed Description

Attaches a sensor to a link on the robot.

#### 11.3.2 Member Function Documentation

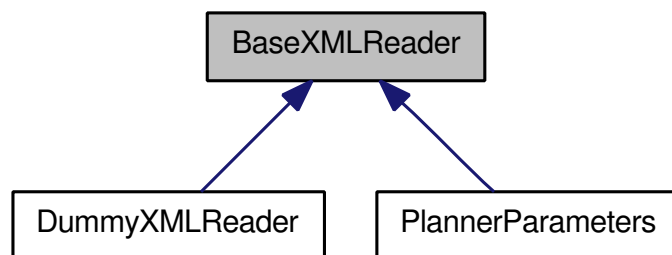
##### 11.3.2.1 virtual const std::string& GetStructureHash () const [virtual]

### Returns

hash of the sensor definition

## 11.4 BaseXMLReader Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for BaseXMLReader:



### Public Types

- enum [ProcessElement](#) { [PE\\_Pass](#) = 0, [PE\\_Support](#) = 1, [PE\\_Ignore](#) = 2 }

### Public Member Functions

- virtual XMLReadablePtr [GetReadable](#) ()
- virtual [ProcessElement](#) [startElement](#) (const std::string &name, const AttributesList &atts)=0
- virtual bool [endElement](#) (const std::string &name)=0
- virtual void [characters](#) (const std::string &ch)=0

### Public Attributes

- std::string [\\_filename](#)  
*XML filename/resource used for this class (can be empty).*

#### 11.4.1 Detailed Description

base class for all xml readers. XMLReaders are used to process data from xml files. Custom readers can be registered through [EnvironmentBase](#). By default it can record all data that is encountered inside the xml reader

#### Examples:

[customreader.cpp](#).

#### 11.4.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

##### 11.4.2.1 enum ProcessElement

#### Enumerator:

*PE\_Pass* current tag was not supported, so pass onto another class

*PE\_Support* current tag will be processed by this class

*PE\_Ignore* current tag and all its children should be ignored

#### 11.4.3 Member Function Documentation

##### 11.4.3.1 virtual void characters (const std::string & *ch*) [pure virtual]

gets called for all data in between tags.

#### Parameters

*ch* a string to the data



#### 11.4.3.2 virtual bool endElement (const std::string & name) [pure virtual]

Gets called at the end of each "</type>" expression. In this case, name is "type"

##### Parameters

*name* of the tag, will be always lower case

##### Returns

true if XMLReader has finished parsing (one condition is that name==\_fieldname)  
, otherwise false

#### 11.4.3.3 virtual XMLReadablePtr GetReadable () [virtual]

a readable interface that stores the information processed for the current tag This pointer is used to the [InterfaceBase](#) class registered readers

#### 11.4.3.4 virtual ProcessElement startElement (const std::string & name, const AttributesList & atts) [pure virtual]

Gets called in the beginning of each "<type>" expression. In this case, name is "type"

##### Parameters

*name* of the tag, will be always lower case

*atts* string of attributes where the first std::string is the attribute name and second is the value

##### Returns

true if tag is accepted and this class will process it, otherwise false

## 11.5 BodyState Class Reference

Stores the state of the current body that is published in a thread safe way from the environment without requiring locking the environment.

### Public Attributes

- std::string [strname](#)  
*name of the body*

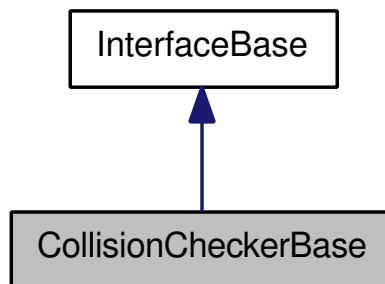
### 11.5.1 Detailed Description

Stores the state of the current body that is published in a thread safe way from the environment without requiring locking the environment.

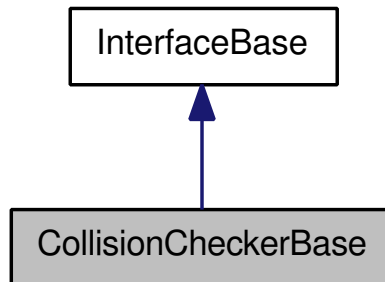
## 11.6 CollisionCheckerBase Class Reference

[interface] Responsible for all collision checking queries of the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Collision Checker Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for CollisionCheckerBase:



Collaboration diagram for CollisionCheckerBase:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [SetCollisionOptions](#) (int collisionoptions)=0  
*Set basic collision options using the CollisionOptions enum.*
- virtual int [GetCollisionOptions](#) () const =0  
*get the current collision options*

- virtual bool [InitKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody)=0  
*notified when a new body has been initialized in the environment*
- virtual bool [Enable](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, bool bEnable) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)=0
- virtual bool [EnableLink](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr pbody, bool bEnable)=0

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### Collision specific functions.

Each function takes an optional pointer to a [CollisionReport](#) structure and returns true if collision occurs.

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody1, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0  
*checks collision of a body and a scene. Attached bodies are respected. If CO\_ActiveDOFs is set, will only check affected links of the body.*
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody1, KinBodyConstPtr pbody2, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0  
*checks collision between two bodies. Attached bodies are respected. If CO\_ActiveDOFs is set, will only check affected links of the pbody1.*
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0  
*checks collision of a link and a scene. Attached bodies are ignored. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink1, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink2, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0  
*checks collision of two links. Attached bodies are ignored. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*checks collision of a link and a body. Attached bodies for pbody are respected. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > &vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > &vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*checks collision of a link and a scene. Attached bodies are ignored. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > &vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > &vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*checks collision of a body and a scene. Attached bodies are respected. If CO\_ActiveDOFs is set, will only check affected links of pbody.*

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*Check collision with a link and a ray with a specified length. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*Check collision with a link and a ray with a specified length.*

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*Check collision with a body and a ray with a specified length. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.*

- virtual bool [InitEnvironment](#) ()=0
- virtual void [DestroyEnvironment](#) ()=0
- virtual bool [CheckSelfCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

*Checks self collision only with the links of the passed in body.*

- virtual void [SetCollisionData](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody, UserDataPtr data)
- CollisionCheckerBasePtr [shared\\_collisionchecker](#) ()
- CollisionCheckerBaseConstPtr [shared\\_collisionchecker\\_const](#) () const

### 11.6.1 Detailed Description

**[interface]** Responsible for all collision checking queries of the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Collision Checker Concepts](#).

## 11.6.2 Member Function Documentation

### 11.6.2.1 virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & *ray*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

Check collision with a body and a ray with a specified length. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.

#### Parameters

*ray* holds the origin and direction. The length of the ray is the length of the direction.

*pbody* the kinbody to look for collisions

→ *report* [optional] collision report to be filled with data about the collision. If a body was hit, CollisionReport::plink1 contains the hit link pointer.

### 11.6.2.2 virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & *ray*, KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

Check collision with a link and a ray with a specified length.

#### Parameters

*ray* holds the origin and direction. The length of the ray is the length of the direction.

*pbody* the link to collide with. If CO\_ActiveDOFs is set, will only check affected links of the body.

→ *report* [optional] collision report to be filled with data about the collision. If a body was hit, CollisionReport::plink1 contains the hit link pointer.

### 11.6.2.3 virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & *ray*, KinBody::LinkConstPtr *plink*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

Check collision with a link and a ray with a specified length. CO\_ActiveDOFs option is ignored.

### Parameters

*ray* holds the origin and direction. The length of the ray is the length of the direction.

*plink* the link to collide with

→ *report* [optional] collision report to be filled with data about the collision. If a body was hit, CollisionReport::plink1 contains the hit link pointer.

**11.6.2.4 virtual bool CheckSelfCollision (KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [protected, pure virtual]**

Checks self collision only with the links of the passed in body.

Links that are joined together are ignored.

**11.6.2.5 virtual void DestroyEnvironment () [protected, pure virtual]**

called when environment switches to a different collision checker engine has to clear/deallocate any memory associated with [KinBody::\\_pCollisionData](#)

**11.6.2.6 virtual bool Enable (KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*, bool *bEnable*) [pure virtual]**

### See also

[EnableLink](#)

**11.6.2.7 virtual bool EnableLink (KinBody::LinkConstPtr *pbody*, bool *bEnable*) [pure virtual]**

enables or disables a link from being considered in collisions

### Returns

true if operation succeeded

**11.6.2.8 virtual bool InitEnvironment () [protected, pure virtual]**

called when environment sets this collision checker, checker assumes responsibility for [KinBody::\\_pCollisionData](#) checker should also gather all current bodies in the environment and put them in its collision space

**11.7 CollisionOptionsStateSaver Class Reference**

Helper class to save and restore the collision options. If options are not supported and required is true, throws an exception.

**11.7.1 Detailed Description**

Helper class to save and restore the collision options. If options are not supported and required is true, throws an exception.

**11.8 CollisionReport Class Reference**

Holds information about a particular collision that occurred.

**Public Attributes**

- int [options](#)  
*the options that the [CollisionReport](#) was called with*
- KinBody::LinkConstPtr [plink2](#)  
*the colliding links if a collision involves a bodies. Collisions do not always occur with 2 bodies like ray collisions, so these fields can be empty.*
- int [numCols](#)  
*this is the number of objects that collide with the object of interest*
- std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > [vLinkColliding](#)  
*objects colliding with this object*
- dReal [minDistance](#)  
*minimum distance from last query, filled if [CO\\_Distance](#) option is set*
- int [numWithinTol](#)  
*number of objects within tolerance of this object, filled if [CO\\_UseTolerance](#) option is set*

- `std::vector< CONTACT > contacts`

*the convention is that the normal will be "out" of plink1's surface. Filled if CO\_UseContacts option is set.*

### 11.8.1 Detailed Description

Holds information about a particular collision that occurred.

#### Examples:

[orcollision.cpp](#).

## 11.9 ConfigurationSpecification Class Reference

A configuration specification references values in the environment that then define a configuration-space which can be searched for.

### Classes

- class [Group](#)

*A group referencing the values of one body in the environment.*

### Public Member Functions

- virtual int [GetDOF](#) () const  
*return the dimension of the configuraiton space (degrees of freedom)*
- virtual bool [IsValid](#) () const  
*check if the groups form a continguous space*
- virtual std::vector< [Group](#) >::const\_iterator [FindCompatibleGroup](#) (const [Group](#) &g, bool exactmatch=false) const  
*finds the most compatible group to the given group*
- virtual std::vector< [Group](#) >::const\_iterator [FindTimeDerivativeGroup](#) (const [Group](#) &g, bool exactmatch=false) const  
*Return the most compatible group that represents the time-derivative data of the group.*



- virtual void [AddVelocityGroups](#) (bool adddeltatime)  
*adds a velocity group for every position group.*
- virtual [ConfigurationSpecification ConvertToVelocitySpecification](#) () const  
*converts all the groups to the corresponding velocity groups and returns the specification*
- virtual [ConfigurationSpecification GetTimeDerivativeSpecification](#) (int timed-erivative) const  
*returns a new specification of just particular time-derivative groups.*
- virtual void [ResetGroupOffsets](#) ()  
*set the offsets of each group in order to get a contiguous configuration space*
- virtual int [AddDeltaTime](#) ()  
*adds the deltatime tag to the end if one doesn't exist and returns the index into the configuration space*
- virtual bool [ExtractTransform](#) (Transform &t, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata, KinBodyConstPtr pbody) const  
*extracts an affine transform given the start of a configuration space point*
- virtual bool [ExtractIkParameterization](#) (IkParameterization &ikparam, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata, int timederivative=0) const  
*extracts an ikparameterization given the start of a configuration space point*
- virtual bool [ExtractAffineValues](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, int affined-ofs, int timederivative=0) const  
*extracts the affine values*
- virtual bool [ExtractJointValues](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< int > &indices, int timederivative=0) const  
*extracts a body's joint values given the start of a configuration space point*
- virtual bool [ExtractDeltaTime](#) (dReal &deltatime, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata) const  
*extracts the delta time from the configuration if one exists*
- virtual bool [InsertJointValues](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itdata, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itvalues, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< int > &indices, int timederivative=0) const

*inserts a set of joint values into a configuration space point*

- virtual bool [InsertDeltaTime](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itdata, dReal delta-time)

*sets the deltetime field of the data if one exists*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static void [ConvertGroupData](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator ittarggetdata, size\_t targetstride, const [Group](#) &gtarget, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator it-sourcedata, size\_t sourcestride, const [Group](#) &gsource, size\_t numpoints, EnvironmentBaseConstPtr penv)

*given two compatible groups, converts data represented in the source group to data represented in the target group*

- static void [ConvertData](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator ittarggetdata, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &targetspec, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator it-sourcedata, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &sourcespec, size\_t numpoints, EnvironmentBaseConstPtr penv, bool filluninitialized=true)

*Converts from one specification to another.*

#### 11.9.1 Detailed Description

A configuration specification references values in the environment that then define a configuration-space which can be searched for. It is composed of several groups targeting values for individual bodies. It is serialized into XML. The XML syntax is as follows:

```
<configuration>
  <group name="string" offset="#OFF1" dof="#D1" interpolation="string"/>
  <group name="string" offset="#OFF2" dof="#D2" interpolation="string"/>
</configuration>
```

#### Examples:

[ormulticontrol.cpp](#).

#### 11.9.2 Member Function Documentation

##### 11.9.2.1 virtual void AddVelocityGroups (bool *adddeltatime*) [virtual]

adds a velocity group for every position group.

If velocities groups already exist, they are checked for and/or modified. Note that the configuration space might be re-ordered as a result of this function call.

#### Parameters

*adddelta* If true will add the 'delta' tag, which is necessary for trajectory sampling

**11.9.2.2** `static void ConvertData (std::vector< dReal >::iterator ittargetdata, const ConfigurationSpecification & targetspec, std::vector< dReal >::const_iterator itsourcedata, const ConfigurationSpecification & sourcespec, size_t numpoints, EnvironmentBaseConstPtr penv, bool filluninitialized = true) [static]`

Converts from one specification to another.

#### Parameters

*ittargetdata* iterator pointing to start of target group data that should be overwritten

*targetspec* the target configuration specification

*itsourcedata* iterator pointing to start of source group data that should be read

*sourcespec* the source configuration specification

*numpoints* the number of points to convert. The target and source strides are gtarget.dof and gsource.dof

*penv* [optional] The environment which might be needed to fill in unknown data. Assumes environment is locked.

*filluninitialized* If there exists target groups that cannot be initialized, then will set default values to them.

**11.9.2.3** `static void ConvertGroupData (std::vector< dReal >::iterator ittargetdata, size_t targetstride, const Group & gtarget, std::vector< dReal >::const_iterator itsourcedata, size_t sourcestride, const Group & gsource, size_t numpoints, EnvironmentBaseConstPtr penv) [static]`

given two compatible groups, converts data represented in the source group to data represented in the target group

**Parameters**

- ittargetdata* iterator pointing to start of target group data that should be overwritten
- targetstride* the number of elements that to go from the next target point. Necessary if numpoints > 1.
- gtarget* the target configuration group
- itsourcedata* iterator pointing to start of source group data that should be read
- sourcestride* the number of elements that to go from the next source point. Necessary if numpoints > 1.
- gsource* the source configuration group
- numpoints* the number of points to convert. The target and source strides are gtarget.dof and gsource.dof
- penv* [optional] The environment which might be needed to fill in unknown data. Assumes environment is locked.

**Exceptions**

- openrave\_exception* throw if groups are incompatible

#### 11.9.2.4 virtual ConfigurationSpecification ConvertToVelocitySpecification () const [virtual]

converts all the groups to the corresponding velocity groups and returns the specification

The velocity configuration space will have a one-to-one correspondence with the

#### 11.9.2.5 virtual bool ExtractAffineValues (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator itdata, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, int affinedofs, int timederivative = 0) const [virtual]

extracts the affine values

Looks for 'affine\_X' groups. If pbody is not initialized, will choose the first affine\_X found.

**Parameters**

- inout*] itvalues iterator to vector that holds the default values and will be overwritten with the new values. must be initialized

- ← *idata* data in the format of this configuration specification.
- ← *affinedofs* the format of the affine dofs requested
- ← *timederivative* the time derivative of the data to extract

**Returns**

true if at least one group was found for extracting

**11.9.2.6 virtual bool ExtractIkParameterization (IkParameterization & ikparam, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator idata, int timederivative = 0) const [virtual]**

extracts an ikparameterization given the start of a configuration space point  
Looks for 'ikparam' groups.

**Parameters**

- inout*] ikparam filled with ikparameterization (if found)
- ← *idata* data in the format of this configuration specification

**Returns**

true if at least one group was found for extracting

**11.9.2.7 virtual bool ExtractJointValues (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator idata, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< int > & indices, int timederivative = 0) const [virtual]**

extracts a body's joint values given the start of a configuration space point  
Looks for 'joint\_X' groups. If pbody is not initialized, will choose the first joint\_X found.

**Parameters**

- inout*] itvalues iterator to vector that holds the default values and will be overwritten with the new values. must be initialized
- ← *idata* data in the format of this configuration specification.
- ← *indices* the set of DOF indices of the body to extract and write into itvalues.

← *timederivative* the time derivative of the data to extract

#### Returns

true if at least one group was found for extracting

#### 11.9.2.8 virtual bool ExtractTransform (Transform & *t*, std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator *itdata*, KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*) const [virtual]

extracts an affine transform given the start of a configuration space point

Looks for 'affine\_transform' groups. If *pbody* is not initialized, will choose the first affine\_transform found.

#### Parameters

*inout*] *t* the transform holding the default values, which will be overwritten with the new values.

← *itdata* data in the format of this configuration specification.

#### Returns

true if at least one group was found for extracting

#### 11.9.2.9 virtual std::vector<Group>::const\_iterator FindCompatibleGroup (const Group & *g*, bool *exactmatch* = false) const [virtual]

finds the most compatible group to the given group

#### Parameters

*g* the group to query, only the [Group::name](#) and [Group::dof](#) values are used

*exactmatch* if true, will only return groups whose name exactly matches with *g.name*

#### Returns

an iterator part of *\_vgroups* that represents the most compatible group. If no group is found, will return *\_vgroups.end()*

**11.9.2.10** `virtual std::vector<Group>::const_iterator  
FindTimeDerivativeGroup (const Group & g, bool exactmatch =  
false) const [virtual]`

Return the most compatible group that represents the time-derivative data of the group.  
For example given a 'joint\_values' group, this will return the closest 'joint\_velocities'  
group.

#### Parameters

*g* the group to query, only the `Group::name` and `Group::dof` values are used  
*exactmatch* if true, will only return groups whose name exactly matches with  
`g.name`

#### Returns

an iterator part of `_vgroups` that represents the most compatible group. If no group  
is found, will return `_vgroups.end()`

**11.9.2.11** `virtual ConfigurationSpecification GetTimeDerivativeSpecification  
(int timederivative) const [virtual]`

returns a new specification of just particular time-derivative groups.

#### Parameters

*timederivative* the time derivative to query groups from. 0 is positions/joint values,  
1 is velocities, 2 is accelerations, etc

**11.9.2.12** `virtual bool InsertDeltaTime (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itdata,  
dReal deltatime) [virtual]`

sets the `deltatime` field of the data if one exists

#### Parameters

*inout*] *itdata* data in the format of this configuration specification.  
← *deltatime* the delta time of the time stamp (from previous point)

#### Returns

true if at least one group was found for inserting

**11.9.2.13** `virtual bool InsertJointValues (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itdata,  
std::vector< dReal >::const_iterator itvalues, KinBodyConstPtr  
pbody, const std::vector< int > &indices, int timederivative = 0)  
const [virtual]`

inserts a set of joint values into a configuration space point

Looks for 'joint\_X' groups. If *pbody* is not initialized, will use the first joint\_X found.

#### Parameters

*inout*] *itdata* data in the format of this configuration specification.

← *itvalues* iterator to joint values to write

← *indices* the set of DOF indices that *itvalues* represents.

← *timederivative* the time derivative of the data to insert

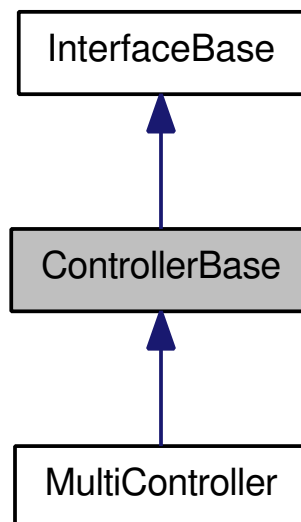
#### Returns

true if at least one group was found for inserting

## 11.10 ControllerBase Class Reference

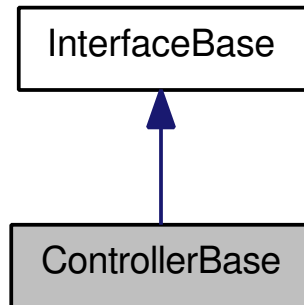
[interface] Abstract base class to encapsulate a local controller. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Controller Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for ControllerBase:





Collaboration diagram for ControllerBase:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [Init](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::string &args) [RAVE-DEPRECATED](#)  
*Initializes the controller.*
- virtual bool [Init](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int nControlTransformation)=0  
*initializes the controller and specifies the controlled dof*
- virtual const std::vector< int > &[GetControlDOFIndices](#) () const =0  
*returns the dof indices controlled*
- virtual int [IsControlTransformation](#) () const =0  
*returns non-zero value if base affine transformation is controlled.*
- virtual void [Reset](#) (int options)=0  
*Resets the current controller trajectories and any other state associated with the robot.*
- virtual bool [SetDesired](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &values, TransformConstPtr trans=TransformConstPtr())=0  
*go to a specific position in configuration space. **[multi-thread safe]***
- virtual bool [SetPath](#) (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj)=0  
*Follow a path in configuration space, adds to the queue of trajectories already in execution. **[multi-thread safe]***
- virtual void [SimulationStep](#) (dReal fTimeElapsed)=0

*Simulate one step forward for controllers running in the simulation environment.*

- virtual bool [IsDone](#) ()=0  
*Return true when goal reached.*
- virtual dReal [GetTime](#) () const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*return the time along the current command*
- virtual void [GetVelocity](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vel) const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*get velocity of the controlled DOFs*
- virtual void [GetTorque](#) (std::vector< dReal > &torque) const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION

#### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

#### 11.10.1 Detailed Description

[interface] Abstract base class to encapsulate a local controller. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Controller Concepts](#).

#### Examples:

[customreader.cpp](#).

#### 11.10.2 Member Function Documentation

##### 11.10.2.1 virtual void GetTorque (std::vector< dReal > &torque) const [virtual]

get torque/current/strain values

#### Parameters

*torque* [out] - returns the current torque/current/strain exerted by each of the dofs from outside forces. The feedforward and friction terms should be subtracted out already

Reimplemented in [MultiController](#).

### 11.10.2.2 virtual void GetVelocity (std::vector< dReal > & *vel*) const [virtual]

get velocity of the controlled DOFs

#### Parameters

*vel* [out] - current velocity of robot from the dof

### 11.10.2.3 virtual bool Init (RobotBasePtr *robot*, const std::vector< int > & *dofindices*, int *nControlTransformation*) [pure virtual]

initializes the controller and specifies the controlled dof

#### Parameters

*robot* the robot that uses the controller

*dofindices* the indices that controller will have exclusive access to  
*nControlTransformation*

#### See also

[IsControlTransformation](#)

#### Returns

true on successful initialization

Implemented in [MultiController](#).

### 11.10.2.4 virtual bool Init (RobotBasePtr *robot*, const std::string & *args*) [virtual]

Initializes the controller.

#### Parameters

*robot* the robot that uses the controller

*args* extra arguments that the controller takes.

**Returns**

true on successful initialization

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

**11.10.2.5 virtual int IsControlTransformation () const [pure virtual]**

returns non-zero value if base affine transformation is controlled.

Only one controller can modify translation and orientation per robot. For now, the two cannot be divided.

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

**11.10.2.6 virtual bool IsDone () [pure virtual]**

Return true when goal reached.

If a trajectory was set, return only when trajectory is done. If SetDesired was called, return only when robot is at the desired location. If SendCommand sent, returns true when the command was completed by the hand.

Implemented in [MultiController](#).

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

**11.10.2.7 virtual void Reset (int *options*) [pure virtual]**

Resets the current controller trajectories and any other state associated with the robot.

**Parameters**

*options* - specific options that can be used to control what to reset

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

**11.10.2.8** `virtual bool SetDesired (const std::vector< dReal > & values,  
TransformConstPtr trans = TransformConstPtr ()) [pure  
virtual]`

go to a specific position in configuration space. [**multi-thread safe**]

**Parameters**

*values* the final configuration in the control dofs

*trans* the transformation of the base. If not specified will use the current robot transformation. Ignored if controller does not use it

**Returns**

true if position operation successful.

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

**11.10.2.9** `virtual bool SetPath (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj) [pure  
virtual]`

Follow a path in configuration space, adds to the queue of trajectories already in execution. [**multi-thread safe**]

**Parameters**

*ptraj* - the trajectory

**Returns**

true if trajectory operation successful

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

#### 11.10.2.10 virtual void SimulationStep (dReal *fTimeElapsed*) [pure virtual]

Simulate one step forward for controllers running in the simulation environment.

##### Parameters

*fTimeElapsed* - time elapsed in simulation environment since last frame

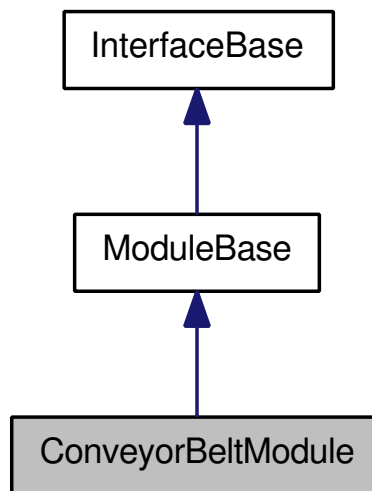
##### Examples:

[customreader.cpp](#).

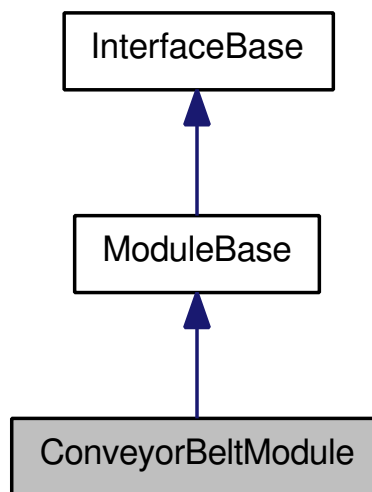
## 11.11 ConveyorBeltModule Class Reference

Holds a registered set of bodies, at every time step creates new bodies and moves them along a trajectory.

Inheritance diagram for ConveyorBeltModule:



Collaboration diagram for ConveyorBeltModule:



### 11.11.1 Detailed Description

Holds a registered set of bodies, at every time step creates new bodies and moves them along a trajectory.

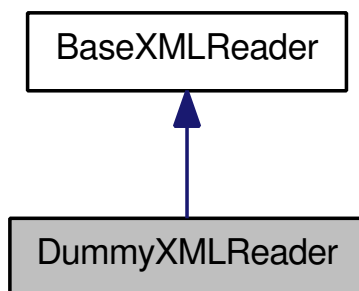
**Examples:**

[orconveyormovement.cpp](#).

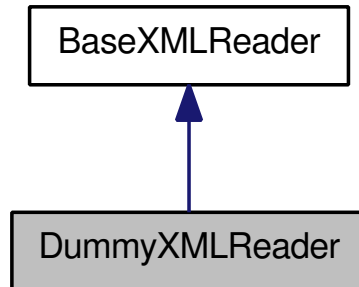
## 11.12 DummyXMLReader Class Reference

reads until the tag ends

Inheritance diagram for DummyXMLReader:



Collaboration diagram for DummyXMLReader:



#### 11.12.1 Detailed Description

reads until the tag ends

### 11.13 EnvironmentBase Class Reference

Maintains a world state, which serves as the gateway to all functions offered through OpenRAVE. See [Environment Concepts](#).

#### Public Member Functions

- virtual void [Destroy](#) ()=0  
*Releases all environment resources, should be always called when environment stops being used.*
- virtual void [Reset](#) ()=0  
*Resets all objects of the scene (preserves all problems, planners). **[multi-thread safe]***
- virtual void [SetUserData](#) (UserDataPtr data)  
*set user data*
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetUserData](#) () const  
*return the user custom data*
- virtual UserDataPtr [GlobalState](#) ()=0  
*Returns the [OpenRAVE](#) global state, used for initializing plugins.*
- virtual void [OwnInterface](#) (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface)=0



*Environment will own the interface until [EnvironmentBase::Destroy](#) is called.*

- virtual void [DisownInterface](#) (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface)=0  
*Remove ownership of the interface.*
- virtual EnvironmentBasePtr [CloneSelf](#) (int options)=0  
*Create and return a clone of the current environment.*
- virtual int [AddModule](#) (ModuleBasePtr module, const std::string &cmdargs)=0  
*Load a new module, need to Lock if calling outside simulation thread.*
- virtual bool [RemoveProblem](#) (ModuleBasePtr prob) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)=0
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< void > [GetModules](#) (std::list< ModuleBasePtr > &listModules) const =0  
*Returns a list of loaded problems with a pointer to a lock preventing the list from being modified.*
- virtual EnvironmentMutex & [GetMutex](#) () const =0  
*Return the global environment mutex used to protect environment information access in multi-threaded environments.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetHomeDirectory](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)=0

### Physics and Simulation

- virtual bool [SetPhysicsEngine](#) (PhysicsEngineBasePtr physics)=0
- virtual PhysicsEngineBasePtr [GetPhysicsEngine](#) () const =0
- virtual void [StepSimulation](#) (dReal timeStep)=0  
*Makes one simulation time step. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [StartSimulation](#) (dReal fDeltaTime, bool bRealTime=true)=0  
*Start the internal simulation thread. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [StopSimulation](#) ()=0  
*Stops the internal physics loop, stops calling SimulateStep for all modules. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool [IsSimulationRunning](#) () const =0  
*Return true if inner simulation loop is executing. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual uint64\_t [GetSimulationTime](#) ()=0  
*Return simulation time since the start of the environment (in microseconds). [multi-thread safe]*

### Object Setting and Querying

- virtual void [AddKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr body, bool bAnonymous=false)=0  
*Add a body to the environment.*
- virtual void [AddRobot](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, bool bAnonymous=false)=0  
*add a robot to the environment*
- virtual void [AddSensor](#) (SensorBasePtr sensor, bool bAnonymous=false)=0  
*registers the sensor with the environment and turns its power on.*
- virtual void [GetSensors](#) (std::vector< SensorBasePtr > &sensors) const =0  
*Fill an array with all sensors loaded in the environment. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool [RemoveKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr body) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)=0
- virtual bool [Remove](#) (InterfaceBasePtr obj)=0  
*Removes a currently loaded interface from the environment. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual KinBodyPtr [GetKinBody](#) (const std::string &name) const =0  
*Query a body from its name. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual SensorBasePtr [GetSensor](#) (const std::string &name) const =0  
*Query a sensor from its name. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual RobotBasePtr [GetRobot](#) (const std::string &name) const =0  
*Query a robot from its name. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [GetBodies](#) (std::vector< KinBodyPtr > &bodies) const =0  
*Get all bodies loaded in the environment (including robots). [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [GetRobots](#) (std::vector< RobotBasePtr > &robots) const =0  
*Fill an array with all robots loaded in the environment. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [AddViewer](#) (ViewerBasePtr pviewer)=0  
*adds a viewer to the environment*
- virtual bool [AttachViewer](#) (ViewerBasePtr pnewviewer) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual ViewerBasePtr [GetViewer](#) (const std::string &name="") const =0  
*Return a viewer with a particular name.*
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< boost::mutex::scoped\_lock > [GetViewers](#) (std::list< ViewerBasePtr > &listViewers) const =0  
*Returns a list of loaded viewers with a pointer to a lock preventing the list from being modified.*
- virtual void [GetPublishedBodies](#) (std::vector< KinBody::BodyState > &vbodies)=0  
*Retrieve published bodies, completes even if environment is locked. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual void [UpdatePublishedBodies](#) ()=0
- virtual KinBodyPtr [GetBodyFromEnvironmentId](#) (int id)=0  
*Get the corresponding body from its unique network id.*
- virtual void [Triangulate](#) (KinBody::Link::TRIMESH &trimesh, KinBody-ConstPtr pbody)=0  
*Triangulation of the body including its current transformation. trimesh will be appended the new data. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [TriangulateScene](#) (KinBody::Link::TRIMESH &trimesh, [SelectionOptions](#) options, const std::string &selectname)=0  
*General triangulation of the whole scene. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [SetDebugLevel](#) (uint32\_t level)=0

### File Loading and Parsing

- enum [SelectionOptions](#) {  
SO\_NoRobots = 1, TO\_Obstacles = 1, SO\_Robots = 2, TO\_Robots = 2,  
SO\_Everything = 3, TO\_Everything = 3, SO\_Body = 4, TO\_Body = 4,  
SO\_AllExceptBody = 5, TO\_AllExceptBody = 5, SO\_BodyList = 6 }  
*A set of options used to select particular parts of the scene.*
- typedef [SelectionOptions](#) **TriangulateOptions**
- virtual bool [Load](#) (const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0  
*Loads a scene from a file and adds all objects in the environment. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool [LoadData](#) (const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0  
*Loads a scene from in-memory data and adds all objects in the environment. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool **LoadXMLData** (const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual void [Save](#) (const std::string &filename, [SelectionOptions](#) options=SO\_Everything, const std::string &selectname="")=0  
*Saves a scene depending on the filename extension. Default is in COLLADA format.*
- virtual RobotBasePtr [ReadRobotURI](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initializes a robot from a resource file. The robot is not added to the environment when calling this function. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual RobotBasePtr **ReadRobotXMLFile** (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual RobotBasePtr **ReadRobotURI** (const std::string &filename)

*Creates a new robot from a file with no extra load options specified. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual RobotBasePtr **ReadRobotXMLFile** (const std::string &filename)
- virtual RobotBasePtr **ReadRobotData** (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initialize a robot from in-memory data. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual RobotBasePtr **ReadRobotXMLData** (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyURI** (KinBodyPtr body, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initializes a kinematic body from a resource file. The body is not added to the environment when calling this function. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyXMLFile** (KinBodyPtr body, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyURI** (const std::string &filename)

*Creates a new kinbody from an XML file with no extra load options specified. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyXMLFile** (const std::string &filename)
- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyData** (KinBodyPtr body, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initializes a kinematic body from in-memory data. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual KinBodyPtr **ReadKinBodyXMLData** (KinBodyPtr body, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceURI** (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface, InterfaceType type, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initializes an interface from a resource file. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceXMLFile** (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface, InterfaceType type, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceURI** (const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceXMLFile** (const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceData** (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface, InterfaceType type, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*Initializes an interface from in-memory data. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual InterfaceBasePtr **ReadInterfaceXMLData** (InterfaceBasePtr pinterface, InterfaceType type, const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< KinBody::Link::TRIMESH > **ReadTrimeshURI** (boost::shared\_ptr< KinBody::Link::TRIMESH > ptrimesh, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())=0

*reads in the rigid geometry of a resource file into a TRIMESH structure*

- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< KinBody::Link::TRIMESH > **ReadTrimeshFile** (boost::shared\_ptr< KinBody::Link::TRIMESH > ptrimesh, const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList())
- virtual UserDataPtr **RegisterXMLReader** (InterfaceType type, const std::string &xmltag, const CreateXMLReaderFn &fn) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**=0
- virtual bool **ParseXMLFile** (BaseXMLReaderPtr preader, const std::string &filename) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**=0

*Parses a file for OpenRAVE XML formatted data.*

- virtual bool **ParseXMLData** (BaseXMLReaderPtr preader, const std::string &data) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**=0

*Parses a data file for XML data.*

### Collision specific functions.

Each function takes an optional pointer to a [CollisionReport](#) structure and returns true if collision occurs. **[multi-thread safe]**

- typedef boost::function< [CollisionAction](#)(CollisionReportPtr, bool)> **CollisionCallbackFn**
- virtual bool **SetCollisionChecker** (CollisionCheckerBasePtr pchecker)=0  
*set the global environment collision checker*
- virtual CollisionCheckerBasePtr **GetCollisionChecker** () const =0
- virtual bool **CheckCollision** (KinBodyConstPtr pbody1, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0

- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody1, KinBodyConstPtr pbody2, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink1, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink2, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > &vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > &vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > &vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > &vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckCollision](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual bool [CheckSelfCollision](#) (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())=0
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< void > [RegisterCollisionCallback](#) (const CollisionCallbackFn &callback)=0
- virtual bool [HasRegisteredCollisionCallbacks](#) () const =0
- virtual void [GetRegisteredCollisionCallbacks](#) (std::list< CollisionCallbackFn > &) const =0

### 3D plotting methods.

- typedef OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr GraphHandlePtr [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [plot3](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fPointSize, const RaveVector< float > &color=RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1), int drawstyle=0)=0  
*Plot a point cloud with one color. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [plot3](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fPointSize, const float \*colors, int drawstyle=0, bool bhasalpha=false)=0  
*. Plots 3D points with individual colors. [multi-thread safe]*

- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawlinestrip](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > &color=RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1))=0  
*Draws a series of connected lines with one color. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawlinestrip](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const float \*colors)=0  
*Draws a series of connected lines with individual colors. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawlinelist](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > &color=RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1))=0  
*Draws a list of individual lines, each specified by a succeeding pair of points. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawlinelist](#) (const float \*ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const float \*colors)=0  
*Draws a list of individual lines, each specified by a succeeding pair of points. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawarrow](#) (const RaveVector< float > &p1, const RaveVector< float > &p2, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > &color=RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1))=0  
*Draws an arrow p1 is start, p2 is finish. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawbox](#) (const RaveVector< float > &vpos, const RaveVector< float > &vextents)=0  
*Draws a box. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawplane](#) (const RaveTransform< float > &tplane, const RaveVector< float > &vextents, const boost::multi\_array< float, 3 > &vtexture)=0  
*Draws a textured plane. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawtrimesh](#) (const float \*ppoints, int stride, const int \*pIndices, int numTriangles, const RaveVector< float > &color)=0
- virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr [drawtrimesh](#) (const float \*ppoints, int stride, const int \*pIndices, int numTriangles, const boost::multi\_array< float, 2 > &colors)=0  
*Draws a triangle mesh, each vertices of each triangle should be counter-clockwise. [multi-thread safe]*

### 11.13.1 Detailed Description

Maintains a world state, which serves as the gateway to all functions offered through OpenRAVE. See [Environment Concepts](#).

### 11.13.2 Member Typedef Documentation

#### 11.13.2.1 `typedef OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr GraphHandlePtr` `RAVE_DEPRECATED`

### 11.13.3 Member Enumeration Documentation

#### 11.13.3.1 `enum SelectionOptions`

A set of options used to select particular parts of the scene.

##### Enumerator:

*SO\_NoRobots* everything but robots  
*TO\_Obstacles* everything but robots  
*SO\_Robots* all robots  
*TO\_Robots* all robots  
*SO\_Everything* all bodies and robots everything  
*TO\_Everything* all bodies and robots everything  
*SO\_Body* only triangulate robot/kinbody  
*TO\_Body* only triangulate robot/kinbody  
*SO\_AllExceptBody* select everything but the robot/kinbody  
*TO\_AllExceptBody* select everything but the robot/kinbody  
*SO\_BodyList* provide a list of body names

### 11.13.4 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.13.4.1 `virtual void AddKinBody (KinBodyPtr body, bool bAnonymous = false) [pure virtual]`

Add a body to the environment.



**Parameters**

- ← *body* the pointer to an initialized body
- ← *bAnonymous* if true and there exists a body/robot with the same name, will make body's name unique

**Exceptions**

*openrave\_exception* Throw if body is invalid or already added

**11.13.4.2 virtual void AddRobot (RobotBasePtr robot, bool bAnonymous = false) [pure virtual]**

add a robot to the environment

**Parameters**

- ← *robot* the pointer to an initialized robot
- ← *bAnonymous* if true and there exists a body/robot with the same name, will make robot's name unique

**Exceptions**

*openrave\_exception* Throw if robot is invalid or already added

**11.13.4.3 virtual void AddSensor (SensorBasePtr sensor, bool bAnonymous = false) [pure virtual]**

registers the sensor with the environment and turns its power on.

**Parameters**

- ← *sensor* the pointer to an initialized sensor
- ← *bAnonymous* if true and there exists a sensor with the same name, will make sensor's name unique

**Exceptions**

*openrave\_exception* Throw if sensor is invalid or already added

**11.13.4.4** `virtual void AddViewer (ViewerBasePtr pviewer) [pure virtual]`

adds a viewer to the environment

#### Exceptions

*[openrave\\_exception](#)* Throw if body is invalid or already added

**11.13.4.5** `virtual bool AttachViewer (ViewerBasePtr pnewviewer) [virtual]`

**11.13.4.6** `virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & ray, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]`

#### See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(const RAY&,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.7** `virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & ray, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]`

#### See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(const RAY&,KinBodyConstPtr,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.8** `virtual bool CheckCollision (const RAY & ray, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]`

#### See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(const RAY&,KinBody::LinkConstPtr,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.9** `virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBodyConstPtr pbody, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > & vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > & vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr())` [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBodyConstPtr,const std::vector<KinBodyConstPtr>&,const std::vector<KinBody::LinkConstPtr>&,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.10** `virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, const std::vector< KinBodyConstPtr > & vbodyexcluded, const std::vector< KinBody::LinkConstPtr > & vlinkexcluded, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr())` [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBody::LinkConstPtr,const std::vector<KinBodyConstPtr>&,const std::vector<KinBody::LinkConstPtr>&,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.11** `virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink, KinBodyConstPtr pbody, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr())` [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBody::LinkConstPtr,KinBodyConstPtr,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.12** `virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink1, KinBody::LinkConstPtr plink2, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr())` [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBody::LinkConstPtr,KinBody::LinkConstPtr,CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.13** virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBody::LinkConstPtr *plink*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBody::LinkConstPtr, CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.14** virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBodyConstPtr *pbody1*, KinBodyConstPtr *pbody2*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBodyConstPtr, KinBodyConstPtr, CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.15** virtual bool CheckCollision (KinBodyConstPtr *pbody1*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckCollision\(KinBodyConstPtr, CollisionReportPtr\)](#)

**11.13.4.16** virtual bool CheckSelfCollision (KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*, CollisionReportPtr *report* = CollisionReportPtr()) [pure virtual]

See also

[CollisionCheckerBase::CheckSelfCollision](#)

**11.13.4.17** virtual EnvironmentBasePtr CloneSelf (int *options*) [pure virtual]

Create and return a clone of the current environment.

Clones do not share any memory or resource between each other. or their parent making them ideal for performing separate planning experiments while keeping the parent environment unchanged. By default a clone only copies the collision checkers and physics engine. When bodies are cloned, the unique ids are preserved across environments (each body can be referenced with its id in both environments). The attached and grabbed bodies of each body/robot are also copied to the new environment.

#### Parameters

*options* A set of [CloningOptions](#) describing what is actually cloned.

#### Returns

An environment of the same type as this environment containing the copied information.

#### 11.13.4.18 virtual void Destroy () [pure virtual]

Releases all environment resources, should be always called when environment stops being used.

Removing all environment pointer might not be enough to destroy the environment resources.

#### 11.13.4.19 virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawarrow (const RaveVector< float > & p1, const RaveVector< float > & p2, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > & color = RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1)) [pure virtual]

Draws an arrow p1 is start, p2 is finish. [multi-thread safe]

#### Parameters

*color* the rgb color of the point. The last component of the color is used for alpha blending.

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.20** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawbox (const RaveVector< float > & vpos, const RaveVector< float > & extents) [pure virtual]`

Draws a box. **[multi-thread safe]**

extents are half the width, height, and depth of the box

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.21** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawlinelist (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const float * colors) [pure virtual]`

Draws a list of individual lines, each specified by a succeeding pair of points. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.22** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawlinelist (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > & color = RaveVector< float >(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1)) [pure virtual]`

Draws a list of individual lines, each specified by a succeeding pair of points. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)

*color* the rgb color of the point. The last component of the color is used for alpha blending.

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.23** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawlinestrip (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const float * colors)`  
[pure virtual]

Draws a series of connected lines with individual colors. [multi-thread safe]

#### Parameters

*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.24** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawlinestrip (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fwidth, const RaveVector< float > & color = RaveVector< float > (1, 0.5, 0.5, 1))`  
[pure virtual]

Draws a series of connected lines with one color. [multi-thread safe]

#### Parameters

*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)

*color* the rgb color of the point. The last component of the color is used for alpha blending

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.25** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawplane (const RaveTransform< float > & tplane, const RaveVector< float > & vextents, const boost::multi_array< float, 3 > & vtexture) [pure virtual]`

Draws a textured plane. [multi-thread safe]

#### Parameters

*tplane* describes the center of the plane. the zaxis of this coordinate is the normal of the plane

*vextents* the extents of the plane along the x and y directions (z is ignored)

*vtexture* a 3D array specifying height x width x color (the color dimension can be 1, 3, or 4 (for alpha blending))

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.26** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr drawtrimesh (const float * ppoints, int stride, const int * pIndices, int numTriangles, const boost::multi_array< float, 2 > & colors) [pure virtual]`

Draws a triangle mesh, each vertices of each triangle should be counter-clockwise. [multi-thread safe]

#### Parameters

*ppoints* - array of 3D points

*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)

*pIndices* If not NULL, zero-based indices into the points for every triangle. pIndices should be of size numTriangles. If pIndices is NULL, ppoints is assumed to contain numTriangles\*3 points and triangles will be rendered in list order.

*color* The color of the triangle. The last component of the color is used for alpha blending

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.



**11.13.4.27** `virtual void GetBodies (std::vector< KinBodyPtr > & bodies) const`  
`[pure virtual]`

Get all bodies loaded in the environment (including robots). **[multi-thread safe]**

**Parameters**

→ *bodies* filled with all the bodies

**11.13.4.28** `virtual const std::string& GetHomeDirectory () const` `[pure virtual]`

**11.13.4.29** `virtual KinBodyPtr GetKinBody (const std::string & name) const`  
`[pure virtual]`

Query a body from its name. **[multi-thread safe]**

**Returns**

first [KinBody](#) (including robots) that matches with name

**11.13.4.30** `virtual boost::shared_ptr<void> GetModules (std::list<`  
`ModuleBasePtr > & listModules) const` `[pure virtual]`

Returns a list of loaded problems with a pointer to a lock preventing the list from being modified.

As long as the lock is held, the problems are guaranteed to stay loaded in the environment.

**Returns**

returns a pointer to a Lock. Destroying the shared\_ptr will release the lock

**11.13.4.31 virtual EnvironmentMutex& GetMutex () const [pure virtual]**

Return the global environment mutex used to protect environment information access in multi-threaded environments.

Accessing environment body information and adding/removing bodies or changing any type of scene property should have the environment lock acquired. Once the environment is locked, the user is guaranteed that nothing will change in the environment.

**11.13.4.32 virtual void GetPublishedBodies (std::vector< KinBody::BodyState > & vbodies) [pure virtual]**

Retrieve published bodies, completes even if environment is locked. **[multi-thread safe]**

Note that the pbody pointer might become invalid as soon as GetPublishedBodies returns.

**11.13.4.33 virtual RobotBasePtr GetRobot (const std::string & name) const [pure virtual]**

Query a robot from its name. **[multi-thread safe]**

**Returns**

first Robot that matches the name

**11.13.4.34 virtual SensorBasePtr GetSensor (const std::string & name) const [pure virtual]**

Query a sensor from its name. **[multi-thread safe]**

**Returns**

first sensor that matches with name, note that sensors attached to robots have the robot name as a prefix.

**11.13.4.35** `virtual void GetSensors (std::vector< SensorBasePtr > & sensors)  
const [pure virtual]`

Fill an array with all sensors loaded in the environment. **[multi-thread safe]**

The sensors come from the currently loaded robots and the explicitly added sensors

**11.13.4.36** `virtual uint64_t GetSimulationTime () [pure virtual]`

Return simulation time since the start of the environment (in microseconds). **[multi-thread safe]**

See [Simulation Thread](#) for more about the simulation thread.

**11.13.4.37** `virtual ViewerBasePtr GetViewer (const std::string & name = "")  
const [pure virtual]`

Return a viewer with a particular name.

When no name is specified, the first loaded viewer is returned.

**11.13.4.38** `virtual boost::shared_ptr<boost::mutex::scoped_lock> GetViewers  
(std::list< ViewerBasePtr > & listViewers) const [pure  
virtual]`

Returns a list of loaded viewers with a pointer to a lock preventing the list from being modified.

As long as the lock is held, the problems are guaranteed to stay loaded in the environment.

#### Returns

returns a pointer to a Lock. Destroying the shared\_ptr will release the lock

**11.13.4.39** `virtual bool IsSimulationRunning () const [pure virtual]`

Return true if inner simulation loop is executing. **[multi-thread safe]**

See [Simulation Thread](#) for more about the simulation thread.

**11.13.4.40** `virtual bool ParseXMLData (BaseXMLReaderPtr preader, const std::string & data) [pure virtual]`

Parses a data file for XML data.

#### Parameters

*pdata* The data of the buffer  
*len* the number of bytes valid in pdata

**11.13.4.41** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr plot3 (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fPointSize, const float * colors, int drawstyle = 0, bool bhasalpha = false) [pure virtual]`

. Plots 3D points with individual colors. **[multi-thread safe]**

Arguments same as plot3 with one color, except has an individual color for every point

#### Parameters

*colors* An array of rgb colors of size numPoints where each channel is in [0,1]. colors+(bhasalpha?4:3) points to the second color.  
*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)  
*drawstyle* if 0 will draw pixels. if 1, will draw 3D sphere  
*bhasalpha* if true, then each color consists of 4 values with the last value being the alpha of the point (1 means opaque). If false, then colors is 3 values.

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.42** `virtual OpenRAVE::GraphHandlePtr plot3 (const float * ppoints, int numPoints, int stride, float fPointSize, const RaveVector< float > & color = RaveVector< float > (1, 0.5, 0.5, 1), int drawstyle = 0) [pure virtual]`

Plot a point cloud with one color. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

*ppoints* array of points  
*numPoints* number of points to plot  
*stride* stride in bytes to next point, ie: nextpoint = (float\*)((char\*)ppoints+stride)  
*fPointSize* size of a point in pixels  
*color* the rgb color of the point. The last component of the color is used for alpha blending  
*drawstyle* if 0 will draw pixels. if 1, will draw 3D spheres

#### Returns

handle to plotted points, graph is removed when handle is destroyed (goes out of scope). This requires the user to always store the handle in a persistent variable if the plotted graphics are to remain on the viewer.

**11.13.4.43 virtual InterfaceBasePtr ReadInterfaceData (InterfaceBasePtr *pinterface*, InterfaceType *type*, const std::string & *data*, const AttributesList & *atts* = AttributesList ()) [pure virtual]**

Initializes an interface from in-memory data. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

*pinterface* If a null pointer is passed, a new interface will be created, otherwise an existing interface will be filled  
*data* string containing data  
*atts* The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. See the individual interface descriptions at [Base Interface Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.44 virtual InterfaceBasePtr ReadInterfaceURI (InterfaceBasePtr *pinterface*, InterfaceType *type*, const std::string & *filename*, const AttributesList & *atts* = AttributesList ()) [pure virtual]**

Initializes an interface from a resource file. **[multi-thread safe]**

**Parameters**

*pinterface* If a null pointer is passed, a new interface will be created, otherwise an existing interface will be filled

*filename* the name of the resource file, its extension determines the format of the file. See [Resource File Formats](#).

*atts* The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. See the individual interface descriptions at [Base Interface Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.45 virtual KinBodyPtr ReadKinBodyData (KinBodyPtr *body*,  
const std::string & *data*, const AttributesList & *atts* =  
AttributesList()) [pure virtual]**

Initializes a kinematic body from in-memory data. **[multi-thread safe]**

The body should not be added to the environment when calling this function.

**Parameters**

*body* If a null pointer is passed, a new body will be created, otherwise an existing robot will be filled

*atts* The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. Defined in [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.46 virtual KinBodyPtr ReadKinBodyURI (KinBodyPtr *body*,  
const std::string & *filename*, const AttributesList & *atts* =  
AttributesList()) [pure virtual]**

Initializes a kinematic body from a resource file. The body is not added to the environment when calling this function. **[multi-thread safe]**

**Parameters**

*filename* the name of the resource file, its extension determines the format of the file. See [Resource File Formats](#).

*body* If a null pointer is passed, a new body will be created, otherwise an existing robot will be filled

*atts* The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. Defined in [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.47** `virtual RobotBasePtr ReadRobotData (RobotBasePtr robot,  
const std::string & data, const AttributesList & atts =  
AttributesList ()) [pure virtual]`

Initialize a robot from in-memory data. **[multi-thread safe]**

The robot should not be added the environment when calling this function.

#### Parameters

***robot*** If a null pointer is passed, a new robot will be created, otherwise an existing robot will be filled

***atts*** The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. Defined in [Robot Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.48** `virtual RobotBasePtr ReadRobotURI (RobotBasePtr robot,  
const std::string & filename, const AttributesList & atts =  
AttributesList ()) [pure virtual]`

Initializes a robot from a resource file. The robot is not added to the environment when calling this function. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

***robot*** If a null pointer is passed, a new robot will be created, otherwise an existing robot will be filled

***filename*** the name of the resource file, its extension determines the format of the file. See [Resource File Formats](#).

***atts*** The attribute/value pair specifying loading options. Defined in [Robot Concepts](#).

**11.13.4.49** `virtual boost::shared_ptr<KinBody::Link::TRIMESH>  
ReadTrimeshURI (boost::shared_ptr< KinBody::Link::TRIMESH  
> ptrimesh, const std::string & filename, const AttributesList & atts  
= AttributesList ()) [pure virtual]`

reads in the rigid geometry of a resource file into a TRIMESH structure

**Parameters**

*filename* the name of the resource file, its extension determines the format of the file. Complex meshes and articulated meshes are all triangulated appropriately. See [Resource File Formats](#).

*options* Options to control the parsing process.

#### 11.13.4.50 **virtual boost::shared\_ptr<void> RegisterCollisionCallback (const CollisionCallbackFn & callback) [pure virtual]**

Register a collision callback.

Whenever a collision is detected between bodies during a CheckCollision call or physics simulation, the callback is called. The callback should return an action specifying how the collision should be handled: **action = callback(CollisionReport, bool IsCalledFromPhysicsEngine)**

**Returns**

a handle to the registration, once the handle loses scope, the callback is unregistered

#### 11.13.4.51 **virtual UserDataPtr RegisterXMLReader (InterfaceType type, const std::string & xmltag, const CreateXMLReaderFn & fn) [pure virtual]**

#### 11.13.4.52 **virtual bool Remove (InterfaceBasePtr obj) [pure virtual]**

Removes a currently loaded interface from the environment. **[multi-thread safe]**

The function removes currently loaded bodies, robots, sensors, problems from the actively used interfaces of the environment. This does not destroy the interface, but it does remove all references managed. Some interfaces like problems have destroy methods that are called to signal unloading. Note that the active interfaces are different from the owned interfaces.

**Parameters**

← *obj* interface to remove

**Returns**

true if the interface was successfully removed from the environment.



**11.13.4.53** `virtual bool RemoveKinBody (KinBodyPtr body) [pure virtual]`

**11.13.4.54** `virtual bool RemoveProblem (ModuleBasePtr prob) [pure virtual]`

**11.13.4.55** `virtual void Reset () [pure virtual]`

Resets all objects of the scene (preserves all problems, planners). **[multi-thread safe]**  
Do not call inside a SimulationStep call

**11.13.4.56** `virtual void Save (const std::string &filename, SelectionOptions options = SO_Everything, const std::string &selectname = "") [pure virtual]`

Saves a scene depending on the filename extension. Default is in COLLADA format.

#### Parameters

*filename* the filename to save the results at

*options* controls what to save

*selectname*

#### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Throw if failed to save anything

**11.13.4.57** `virtual void SetDebugLevel (uint32_t level) [pure virtual]`

sets the debug level

#### Parameters

*level* 0 for no debug, 1 - to print all debug messages. Default value for release builds is 0, for debug builds it is 1 declaring variables with stdcall can be a little complex

**11.13.4.58 virtual bool SetPhysicsEngine (PhysicsEngineBasePtr *physics*)  
[pure virtual]**

set the physics engine, disabled by default

**Parameters**

*physics* the engine to set, if NULL, environment sets an dummy physics engine

**11.13.4.59 virtual void StartSimulation (dReal *fDeltaTime*, bool *bRealTime* =  
true) [pure virtual]**

Start the internal simulation thread. [multi-thread safe]

Resets simulation time to 0. See [Simulation Thread](#) for more about the simulation thread.

**Parameters**

*fDeltaTime* the delta step to take in simulation

*bRealTime* if false will call SimulateStep as fast as possible, otherwise will time the simulate step calls so that simulation progresses with real system time.

**11.13.4.60 virtual void StepSimulation (dReal *timeStep*) [pure virtual]**

Makes one simulation time step. [multi-thread safe]

Can be called manually by the user inside planners. Keep in mind that the internal simulation thread also calls this function periodically. See [Simulation Thread](#) for more about the simulation thread.

**11.13.4.61 virtual void StopSimulation () [pure virtual]**

Stops the internal physics loop, stops calling SimulateStep for all modules. [multi-thread safe]

See [Simulation Thread](#) for more about the simulation thread.

#### 11.13.4.62 virtual void Triangulate (KinBody::Link::TRIMESH & *trimesh*, KinBodyConstPtr *pbody*) [pure virtual]

Triangulation of the body including its current transformation. *trimesh* will be appended the new data. [multi-thread safe]

##### Parameters

- *trimesh* - The output triangle mesh
- ← *body* body the triangulate

##### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Throw if failed to add anything

#### 11.13.4.63 virtual void TriangulateScene (KinBody::Link::TRIMESH & *trimesh*, SelectionOptions *options*, const std::string & *selectname*) [pure virtual]

General triangulation of the whole scene. [multi-thread safe]

##### Parameters

- *trimesh* - The output triangle mesh. The new triangles are appended to the existing triangles!
- ← *options* - Controls what to triangulate.
- ← *selectname* - name of the body used in options

##### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Throw if failed to add anything

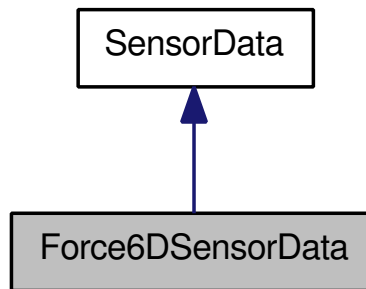
#### 11.13.4.64 virtual void UpdatePublishedBodies () [pure virtual]

updates the published bodies that viewers and other programs listening in on the environment see. For example, calling this function inside a planning loop allows the viewer to update the environment reflecting the status of the planner. Assumes that the physics are locked.

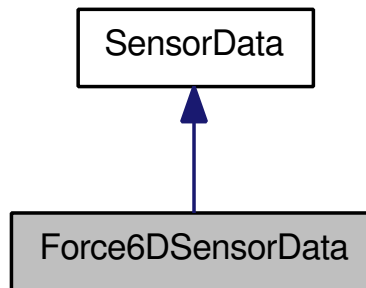
## 11.14 Force6DSensorData Class Reference

Stores force data.

Inheritance diagram for Force6DSensorData:



Collaboration diagram for Force6DSensorData:



### Public Attributes

- Vector [force](#)  
*Force in X Y Z, in newtons.*
- Vector [torque](#)  
*Torque in X Y Z, in newtonmeters.*

### 11.14.1 Detailed Description

Stores force data.

## 11.15 Friction Struct Reference

LuGre friction model?

### Public Attributes

- dReal [sigma\\_0](#)  
*the stiffness coefficient of the contacting surfaces*
- dReal [sigma\\_1](#)  
*the friction damping coefficient.*
- dReal [mu\\_s](#)  
*static friction coefficient*
- dReal [mu\\_d](#)  
*dynamic friction coefficient*

### 11.15.1 Detailed Description

LuGre friction model?

## 11.16 frustum< T > Class Template Reference

A pyramid with its vertex clipped.

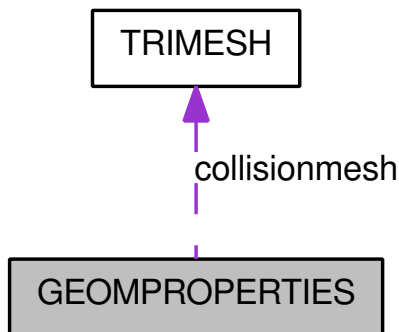
### 11.16.1 Detailed Description

**template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::frustum< T >**

A pyramid with its vertex clipped.

## 11.17 GEOMPROPERTIES Class Reference

Collaboration diagram for GEOMPROPERTIES:



### Public Types

- enum [GeomType](#)  
*The type of geometry primitive.*

### Public Member Functions

- const Transform & [GetTransform](#) () const  
*Local transformation of the geom primitive with respect to the link's coordinate system.*
- const std::string & [GetRenderFilename](#) () const  
*render resource file, should be transformed by \_t before rendering*
- const [TRIMESH](#) & [GetCollisionMesh](#) () const  
*collision data of the specific object in its local coordinate system.*
- virtual [AABB ComputeAABB](#) (const Transform &trans) const  
*returns an axis aligned bounding box given that the geometry is transformed by trans*
- virtual void [SetCollisionMesh](#) (const [TRIMESH](#) &mesh)  
*sets a new collision mesh and notifies every registered callback about it*
- virtual void [SetDraw](#) (bool bDraw)  
*sets a drawing and notifies every registered callback about it*

- virtual void [SetTransparency](#) (float f)  
*set transparency level (0 is opaque)*
- virtual void [SetDiffuseColor](#) (const RaveVector< float > &color)  
*override diffuse color of geometry material*
- virtual void [SetAmbientColor](#) (const RaveVector< float > &color)  
*override ambient color of geometry material*
- virtual bool [ValidateContactNormal](#) (const Vector &position, Vector &normal)  
const  
*validates the contact normal on the surface of the geometry and makes sure the normal faces "outside" of the shape.*
- virtual void [SetRenderFilename](#) (const std::string &renderfilename)  
*sets a new render filename for the geometry. This does not change the collision*

### Protected Member Functions

- bool [InitCollisionMesh](#) (float fTessellation=1)

### Protected Attributes

- Transform [\\_t](#)  
*see [GetTransform](#)*
- Vector [vGeomData](#)
- RaveVector< float > [ambientColor](#)  
*hints for how to color the meshes*
- [TRIMESH](#) collisionmesh  
*see [GetCollisionMesh](#)*
- [GeomType](#) [\\_type](#)  
*the type of geometry primitive*
- std::string [\\_renderfilename](#)
- Vector [vRenderScale](#)  
*render scale of the object (x,y,z)*

- float [ftransparency](#)  
*value from 0-1 for the transparency of the rendered object, 0 is opaque*
- bool [\\_bDraw](#)  
*if true, object is drawn as part of the 3d model (default is true)*
- bool [\\_bModifiable](#)  
*if true, object geometry can be dynamically modified (default is true)*

### 11.17.1 Detailed Description

Describes the properties of a basic geometric primitive. Contains everything associated with a physical body along with a separate (optional) render file.

### 11.17.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.17.2.1 `const TRIMESH& GetCollisionMesh () const`

collision data of the specific object in its local coordinate system.

Should be transformed by [GEOMPROPERTIES::GetTransform\(\)](#) before rendering. For spheres and cylinders, an appropriate discretization value is chosen.

#### 11.17.2.2 `const std::string& GetRenderFilename () const`

render resource file, should be transformed by `_t` before rendering

If the value is "`__norenderif__:x`", then the viewer should not render the object if it supports `*.x` files where "`x`" is the file extension.

#### 11.17.2.3 `bool InitCollisionMesh (float fTessellation = 1) [protected]`

triangulates the geometry object and initializes collisionmesh. `GeomTrimesh` types must already be triangulated

#### Parameters

*fTessellation* to control how fine the triangles need to be. 1.0f is the default value



#### 11.17.2.4 virtual bool ValidateContactNormal (const Vector & *position*, Vector & *normal*) const [virtual]

validates the contact normal on the surface of the geometry and makes sure the normal faces "outside" of the shape.

##### Parameters

*position* the position of the contact point specified in the link's coordinate system  
*normal* the unit normal of the contact point specified in the link's coordinate system

##### Returns

true if the normal is changed to face outside of the shape

#### 11.17.3 Member Data Documentation

##### 11.17.3.1 std::string \_renderfilename [protected]

##### See also

ref [GetRenderFilename](#)

##### 11.17.3.2 Vector vGeomData [protected]

for boxes, first 3 values are extents for sphere it is radius for cylinder, first 2 values are radius and height for trimesh, none

## 11.18 Grabbed Class Reference

The information of a currently grabbed body.

##### Public Attributes

- KinBodyWeakPtr [pbody](#)  
*the grabbed body*
- LinkPtr [plinkrobot](#)  
*robot link that is grabbing the body*

- `std::vector< LinkConstPtr > vNonCollidingLinks`  
*robot links that already collide with the body*
- Transform `troot`  
*root transform (of first link of body) relative to plinkrobot's transform. In other words,  $pbody->GetTransform() == plinkrobot->GetTransform()*troot$*

### 11.18.1 Detailed Description

The information of a currently grabbed body.

## 11.19 GraphHandle Class Reference

Handle holding the plot from the viewers. The plot will continue to be drawn as long as a reference to this handle is held.

### Public Member Functions

- virtual void `SetTransform` (const RaveTransform< float > &t) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Changes the underlying transformation of the plot. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void `SetShow` (bool bshow) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Shows or hides the plot without destroying its resources. [multi-thread safe]*

### 11.19.1 Detailed Description

Handle holding the plot from the viewers. The plot will continue to be drawn as long as a reference to this handle is held. Designed to be multi-thread safe and destruction and modification of the viewer plot can be done at any time. The viewers internally handle synchronization and threading issues.

### 11.19.2 Member Function Documentation

- #### 11.19.2.1 virtual void SetTransform (const RaveTransform< float > &t) [virtual]

Changes the underlying transformation of the plot. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

- $t$  new transformation of the plot

## 11.20 Group Class Reference

A group referencing the values of one body in the environment.

#### Public Attributes

- int `offset`  
*For each data point, the number of values to offset before data for this group starts.*
- int `dof`  
*The number of values in this group.*
- std::string `name`  
*semantic information on what part of the environment the group refers to.*
- std::string `interpolation`  
*Describes how the data should be interpolated. Common methods are:*

### 11.20.1 Detailed Description

A group referencing the values of one body in the environment.

### 11.20.2 Member Data Documentation

#### 11.20.2.1 std::string interpolation

Describes how the data should be interpolated. Common methods are:

- **previous** - the previous waypoint's value is always chosen
- **next** - the next waypoint's value is always chosen
- **linear** - linear interpolation (default)

- **quadratic** - position is piecewise-quadratic, velocity is piecewise-linear, acceleration is one of -amax, 0, or amax
- **cubic** - 3 degree polynomial
- **quadric** - 4 degree polynomial
- **quintic** - 5 degree polynomial

### 11.20.2.2 std::string name

semantic information on what part of the environment the group refers to.

Can be composed of multiple words; the first word is the group type, and the words following narrow the specifics. Common types are:

- **joint\_values** - The joint values of a kinbody/robot. The joint names with the name of the body can follow.
- **joint\_velocities** - The joint velocities (1/second) of a kinbody/robot. The name of the body with the joint names can follow.
- **joint\_accelerations** - The joint accelerations (1/second<sup>2</sup>) of a kinbody/robot. The name of the body with the joint names can follow.
- **joint\_torques** - The joint torques (Newton meter) of a kinbody/robot. The name of the body with the joint names can follow.
- **affine\_transform** - An affine transformation [quaternion, translation]. The name of the body with selected affine dofs (see [DOFAffine](#)) can follow.
- **affine\_velocities** - The velocity (1/second) of the affine transformation [rotation axis, translation velocity], the name of the body can follow.
- **affine\_accelerations** - The velocity (1/second<sup>2</sup>) of the affine transformation [rotation axis, translation velocity], the name of the body can follow.
- **ikparam\_values** - The values of an IkParameterization. The ikparam type is stored as the second value in name
- **ikparam\_velocities** - velocities of an IkParameterization. The ikparam type is stored as the second value in name

## 11.21 IkParameterization Class Reference

Parameterization of basic primitives for querying inverse-kinematics solutions.

**Public Types**

- typedef [IkParameterizationType](#) Type [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

**Public Member Functions**

- [IkParameterization](#) (const Transform &t)  
*sets a 6D transform parameterization*
- [IkParameterization](#) (const [RAY](#) &r)  
*sets a ray parameterization*
- [IkParameterization](#) (const Transform &t, [IkParameterizationType](#) type)  
*set a custom parameterization using a transform as the source of the data. Not all types are supported with this method.*
- int [GetDOF](#) () const  
*Returns the minimum degree of freedoms required for the IK type.*
- int [GetNumberOfValues](#) () const  
*Returns the number of values used to represent the parameterization (  $\geq$  dof ). The number of values serialized is this number plus 1 for the iktype.*
- void [SetLookat3D](#) (const [RAY](#) &ray)  
*the ray direction is not used for IK, however it is needed in order to compute the error*
- dReal [ComputeDistanceSqr](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &ikparam) const  
*Computes the distance squared between two IK parameterizations.*
- void [GetValues](#) (std::vector< dReal >::iterator itvalues) const  
*fills the iterator with the serialized values of the ikparameterization.*
- void [SetTransform](#) (const Transform &t) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

**Static Public Member Functions**

- static int [GetDOF](#) ([IkParameterizationType](#) type)  
*Returns the minimum degree of freedoms required for the IK type.*
- static int [GetNumberOfValues](#) ([IkParameterizationType](#) type)  
*Returns the number of values used to represent the parameterization (  $\geq$  dof ). The number of values serialized is this number plus 1 for the iktype.*

### 11.21.1 Detailed Description

Parameterization of basic primitives for querying inverse-kinematics solutions. Holds the parameterization of a geometric primitive useful for autonomous manipulation scenarios like: 6D pose, 3D translation, 3D rotation, 3D look at direction, and ray look at direction.

#### Examples:

[ikfastloader.cpp](#), and [orikfilter.cpp](#).

### 11.21.2 Member Typedef Documentation

#### 11.21.2.1 typedef IkParameterizationType Type RAVE\_DEPRECATED

### 11.21.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.21.3.1 void GetValues (std::vector< dReal >::iterator *itvalues*) const

fills the iterator with the serialized values of the ikparameterization.

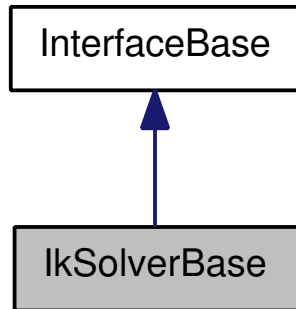
the container the iterator points to needs to have [GetNumberOfValues\(\)](#) available.

#### 11.21.3.2 void SetTransform (const Transform & *t*)

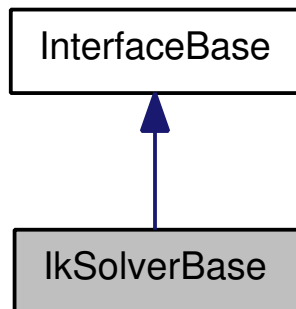
## 11.22 IkSolverBase Class Reference

[interface] Base class for all Inverse Kinematic solvers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for IkSolverBase:



Collaboration diagram for IkSolverBase:



### Public Types

- typedef boost::function< [IkFilterReturn](#)(std::vector< dReal > &, RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr, const [IkParameterization](#) &)> [IkFilterCallbackFn](#)

### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [Init](#) (RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr pmanip)=0
- virtual UserDataPtr [RegisterCustomFilter](#) (int priority, const [IkFilterCallbackFn](#) &filterfn)  
*Sets an ik solution filter that is called for every ik solution.*
- virtual void [SetCustomFilter](#) (const [IkFilterCallbackFn](#) &filterfn) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual int [GetNumFreeParameters](#) () const =0

*Number of free parameters defining the null solution space.*

- virtual bool [GetFreeParameters](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vFreeParameters) const =0

*gets the free parameters from the current robot configuration*

- virtual bool [Solve](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, const std::vector< dReal > &q0, int filteroptions, boost::shared\_ptr< std::vector< dReal > > solution)=0

*Return a joint configuration for the given end effector transform.*

- virtual bool [Solve](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, int filteroptions, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > &solutions)=0

*Return all joint configurations for the given end effector transform.*

- virtual bool [Solve](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, const std::vector< dReal > &q0, const std::vector< dReal > &vFreeParameters, int filteroptions, boost::shared\_ptr< std::vector< dReal > > solution)=0

- virtual bool [Solve](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, const std::vector< dReal > &vFreeParameters, int filteroptions, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > &solutions)=0

*Return all joint configurations for the given end effector transform.*

- virtual bool [Supports](#) ([IkParameterizationType](#) iktype) const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION

*returns true if the solver supports a particular ik parameterization as input.*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()

*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual [IkFilterReturn](#) [\\_CallFilters](#) (std::vector< dReal > &solution, RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr manipulator, const [IkParameterization](#) &param)

*calls the registered filters in their priority order and returns the value of the last called filter.*



### 11.22.1 Detailed Description

[interface] Base class for all Inverse Kinematic solvers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Inverse Kinematics Solver Concepts](#).

### 11.22.2 Member Typedef Documentation

**11.22.2.1** `typedef boost::function<IkFilterReturn(std::vector<dReal>&, RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr, const IkParameterization&)> IkFilterCallbackFn`

Inverse kinematics filter callback function.

The filter is of the form `return = filterfn(solution, manipulator, param)`. The solution is guaranteed to be set on the robot's joint values before this function is called. If modifying the robot state, should restore it before this function returns.

#### Parameters

***solution*** The current solution of the manipulator. Can be modified by this function, but note that it will not go through previous checks again.

***manipulator*** The current manipulator that the ik is being solved for.

***param*** The parameterization that IK was called with. This is in the manipulator base link's coordinate system (which is not necessarily the world coordinate system).

#### Returns

[IkFilterReturn](#) controlling the behavior of the ik search process.

### 11.22.3 Member Function Documentation

**11.22.3.1** `virtual bool GetFreeParameters (std::vector< dReal > & vFreeParameters) const [pure virtual]`

gets the free parameters from the current robot configuration

#### Parameters

→ ***vFreeParameters*** is filled with [GetNumFreeParameters\(\)](#) parameters in [0,1] range

#### Returns

true if succeeded

**11.22.3.2 virtual int GetNumFreeParameters () const [pure virtual]**

Number of free parameters defining the null solution space.

Each parameter is always in the range of [0,1].

**11.22.3.3 virtual bool Init (RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr *pmanip*) [pure virtual]**

brief Sets the [IkSolverBase](#) attached to a specific robot and sets [IkSolverBase](#) specific options.

For example, some ik solvers might have different ways of computing optimal solutions.

**Parameters**

*pmanip* The manipulator the IK solver is attached to

**11.22.3.4 virtual UserDataPtr RegisterCustomFilter (int *priority*, const IkFilterCallbackFn & *filterfn*) [virtual]**

Sets an ik solution filter that is called for every ik solution.

Multiple filters can be set at once, each filter will be called according to its priority; higher values get called first. The default implementation of [IkSolverBase](#) manages the filters internally. Users implementing their own [IkSolverBase](#) should call [\\_CallFilters](#) to run the internally managed filters.

**Parameters**

*filterfn* - an optional filter function to be called, see [IkFilterCallbackFn](#).

*priority* - The priority of the filter that controls the order in which filters get called. Higher priority filters get called first. If not certain what to set, use 0.

**Returns**

a managed handle to the filter. If this handle is released, then the filter will be removed. Release operation is **[multi-thread safe]**.

**11.22.3.5 virtual void SetCustomFilter (const IkFilterCallbackFn & *filterfn*) [virtual]**

**11.22.3.6** `virtual bool Solve (const IkParameterization & param, const std::vector< dReal > & vFreeParameters, int filteroptions, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > & solutions) [pure virtual]`

Return all joint configurations for the given end effector transform.

Can specify the free parameters in [0,1] range. If NULL, the regular equivalent Solve is called

#### Parameters

- ← *param* the pose the end effector has to achieve. Note that the end effector pose takes into account the grasp coordinate frame for the [RobotBase::Manipulator](#)
- ← *vFreeParameters* The free parameters of the null space of the IK solutions. Always in range of [0,1]
- ← *filteroptions* A bitmask of [IkFilterOptions](#) values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.
- *solutions* All solutions within a reasonable discretization level of the free parameters.

#### Returns

true at least one solution is found

**11.22.3.7** `virtual bool Solve (const IkParameterization & param, const std::vector< dReal > & q0, const std::vector< dReal > & vFreeParameters, int filteroptions, boost::shared_ptr< std::vector< dReal > > solution) [pure virtual]`

Return a joint configuration for the given end effector transform.

Can specify the free parameters in [0,1] range. If NULL, the regular equivalent Solve is called

#### Parameters

- ← *param* the pose the end effector has to achieve. Note that the end effector pose takes into account the grasp coordinate frame for the [RobotBase::Manipulator](#)
- ← *q0* Return a solution nearest to the given configuration q0 in terms of the joint distance. If q0 is empty, returns the first solution found
- ← *vFreeParameters* The free parameters of the null space of the IK solutions. Always in range of [0,1]

- ← *filteroptions* A bitmask of [IkFilterOptions](#) values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.
- *solution* Holds the IK solution, must be of size `RobotBase::Manipulator::_vecarmjoints`

**Returns**

true if solution is found

**11.22.3.8** `virtual bool Solve (const IkParameterization & param, int filteroptions, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > & solutions)`  
**[pure virtual]**

Return all joint configurations for the given end effector transform.

**Parameters**

- ← *param* the pose the end effector has to achieve. Note that the end effector pose takes into account the grasp coordinate frame for the [RobotBase::Manipulator](#)
- ← *filteroptions* A bitmask of [IkFilterOptions](#) values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.
- *solutions* All solutions within a reasonable discretization level of the free parameters.

**Returns**

true if at least one solution is found

**11.22.3.9** `virtual bool Solve (const IkParameterization & param, const std::vector< dReal > & q0, int filteroptions, boost::shared_ptr< std::vector< dReal > > solution)` **[pure virtual]**

Return a joint configuration for the given end effector transform.

**Parameters**

- ← *param* the pose the end effector has to achieve. Note that the end effector pose takes into account the grasp coordinate frame for the [RobotBase::Manipulator](#)

- ← ***q0*** Return a solution nearest to the given configuration *q0* in terms of the joint distance. If *q0* is NULL, returns the first solution found
- ← ***filteroptions*** A bitmask of [IkFilterOptions](#) values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.
- ***solution*** [optional] Holds the IK solution

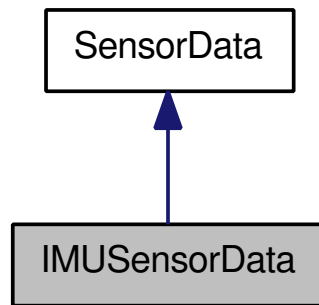
**Returns**

true if solution is found

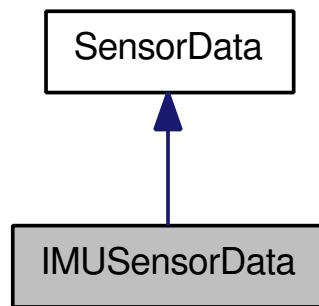
**11.23 IMUSensorData Class Reference**

Stores IMU data.

Inheritance diagram for IMUSensorData:



Collaboration diagram for IMUSensorData:

**Public Attributes**

- Vector [rotation](#)

*quaternion*

- `boost::array< dReal, 9 >` [rotation\\_covariance](#)  
*Row major about x, y, z axes.*
- `boost::array< dReal, 9 >` [angular\\_velocity\\_covariance](#)  
*Row major about x, y, z axes.*
- `boost::array< dReal, 9 >` [linear\\_acceleration\\_covariance](#)  
*Row major x, y z axes.*

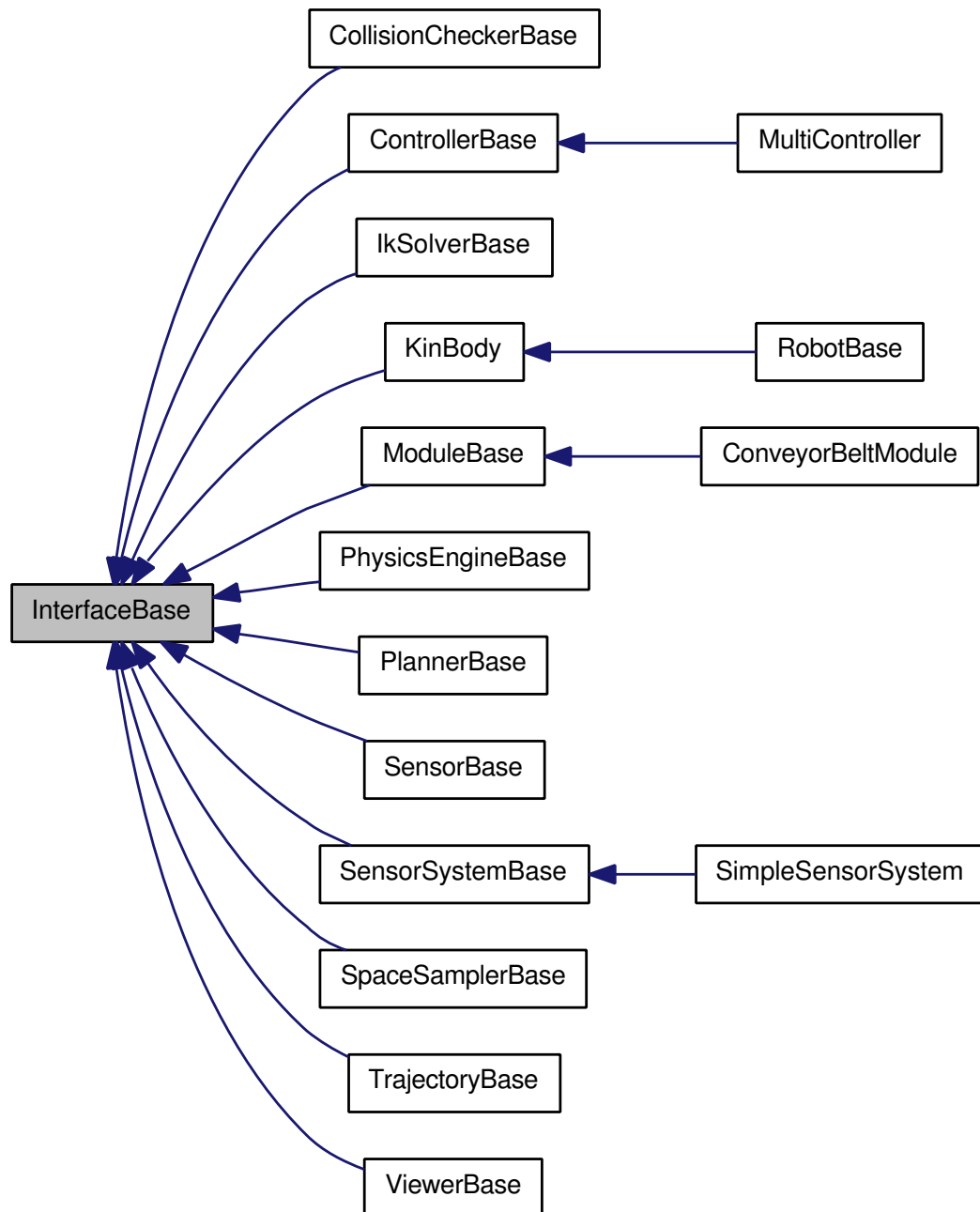
### 11.23.1 Detailed Description

Stores IMU data.

## 11.24 InterfaceBase Class Reference

**[interface]** Base class for all interfaces that [OpenRAVE](#) provides. See [Base Interface Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for InterfaceBase:



**Public Member Functions**

- const std::string & [GetXMLId](#) () const
- const std::string & [GetPluginName](#) () const
- EnvironmentBasePtr [GetEnv](#) () const
- virtual const std::string & [GetDescription](#) () const  
*Documentation of the interface in reStructuredText format. See [Documenting Interfaces](#).*
- virtual void [SetUserData](#) (UserDataPtr data)  
*set user data*
- virtual void [SetUserData](#) (boost::shared\_ptr< void > data) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetUserData](#) () const  
*return the user custom data*
- virtual const std::string & [GetURI](#) () const  
*the URI used to load the interface (sometimes this is not possible if the definition lies inside an environment file).*
- virtual void [Clone](#) (InterfaceBaseConstPtr preference, int cloningoptions)  
*Clone the contents of an interface to the current interface.*
- virtual bool [SendCommand](#) (std::ostream &os, std::istream &is)  
*Used to send special commands to the interface and receive output.*

**Protected Types**

- typedef boost::function< bool(std::ostream &, std::istream &)> [InterfaceCommandFn](#)  
*The function to be executed for every command.*

**Protected Member Functions**

- virtual void [RegisterCommand](#) (const std::string &cmdname, [InterfaceCommandFn](#) fncmd, const std::string &strhelp)  
*Registers a command and its help string.*
- virtual void [UnregisterCommand](#) (const std::string &cmdname)  
*Unregisters the command.*



### 11.24.1 Detailed Description

[**interface**] Base class for all interfaces that [OpenRAVE](#) provides. See [Base Interface Concepts](#).

### 11.24.2 Member Typedef Documentation

#### 11.24.2.1 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::ostream&, std::istream&)> InterfaceCommandFn [protected]`

The function to be executed for every command.

#### Parameters

*sinput* - input of the command

*sout* - output of the command

#### Returns

If false, there was an error with the command, true if successful

### 11.24.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.24.3.1 `virtual void Clone (InterfaceBaseConstPtr preference, int cloningoptions) [virtual]`

Clone the contents of an interface to the current interface.

#### Parameters

*preference* the interface whose information to clone

*cloningoptions* mask of CloningOptions

#### Exceptions

[\*openrave\\_exception\*](#) if command doesn't succeed

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

#### 11.24.3.2 `EnvironmentBasePtr GetEnv () const`

**Returns**

the environment that this interface is attached to

**Examples:**

[orconveyormovement.cpp](#), [orpythonbinding.cpp](#), and [plugin.cpp](#).

**11.24.3.3 const std::string& GetPluginName () const**

set internally by RaveDatabase

**Returns**

the pluginname this interface was loaded from

**11.24.3.4 const std::string& GetXMLId () const**

set internally by RaveDatabase

**Returns**

the unique identifier that describes this class type, case is ignored should be the same id used to create the object

**11.24.3.5 virtual void RegisterCommand (const std::string & *cmdname*, InterfaceCommandFn *fncmd*, const std::string & *strhelp*) [protected, virtual]**

Registers a command and its help string.

**Parameters**

*cmdname* - command name, converted to lower case

*fncmd* function to execute for the command

*strhelp* - help string in reStructuredText, see [Documenting Interfaces](#).

**Exceptions**

[openrave\\_exception](#) Throw if there exists a registered command already.

**Examples:**

[orconveyormovement.cpp](#), and [plugin.cpp](#).

### 11.24.3.6 virtual bool SendCommand (std::ostream & *os*, std::istream & *is*) [virtual]

Used to send special commands to the interface and receive output.

The command must be registered by [RegisterCommand](#). A special command 'help' is always supported and provides a way for the user to query the current commands and the help string. The format of the returned help commands are in reStructuredText. The following commands are possible:

- 'help [command name]' - get the help string of just that command.
- 'help commands' - return the names of all the possible commands

#### Parameters

*is* the input stream containing the command

*os* the output stream containing the output

#### Exceptions

[openrave\\_exception](#) Throw if the command is not supported.

#### Returns

true if the command is successfully processed, otherwise false.

### 11.24.3.7 virtual void SetUserData (boost::shared\_ptr< void > *data*) [virtual]

## 11.25 Joint Class Reference

Information about a joint that controls the relationship between two links.

#### Classes

- struct [MIMIC](#)  
*Holds mimic information about position, velocity, and acceleration of one axis of the joint.*

## Public Types

- enum [JointType](#)  
*The type of joint movement.*

## Public Member Functions

- const std::string & [GetName](#) () const  
*The unique name of the joint.*
- int [GetDOFIndex](#) () const  
*Get the degree of freedom index in the body's DOF array.*
- int [GetJointIndex](#) () const  
*Get the joint index into [KinBody::GetJoints](#).*
- dReal [GetResolution](#) () const  
*The discretization of the joint used when line-collision checking.*
- virtual int [GetDOF](#) () const  
*The degrees of freedom of the joint. Each joint supports a max of 3 degrees of freedom.*
- virtual bool [IsCircular](#) (int iaxis) const  
*Return true if joint axis has an identification at some of its lower and upper limits.*
- virtual bool [IsRevolute](#) (int iaxis) const  
*returns true if the axis describes a rotation around an axis.*
- virtual bool [IsPrismatic](#) (int iaxis) const  
*returns true if the axis describes a translation around an axis.*
- virtual bool [IsStatic](#) () const  
*Return true if joint can be treated as a static binding (ie all limits are 0).*
- virtual void [GetValues](#) (std::vector< dReal > &values, bool bAppend=false) const  
*Return all the joint values with the correct offsets applied.*
- virtual dReal [GetValue](#) (int axis) const  
*Return the value of the specified joint axis only.*

- virtual void [GetVelocities](#) (std::vector< dReal > &values, bool bAppend=false) const  
*Gets the joint velocities.*
- virtual void [AddTorque](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &torques)  
*Add effort (force or torque) to the joint.*
- virtual Vector [GetAnchor](#) () const  
*The anchor of the joint in global coordinates.*
- virtual Vector [GetAxis](#) (int axis=0) const  
*The axis of the joint in global coordinates.*
- virtual void [GetLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vLowerLimit, std::vector< dReal > &vUpperLimit, bool bAppend=false) const  
*Returns the limits of the joint.*
- virtual void [SetLimits](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &lower, const std::vector< dReal > &upper)
- virtual void [SetJointLimits](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &lower, const std::vector< dReal > &upper) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [GetVelocityLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vmax, bool bAppend=false) const  
*Returns the max velocities of the joint.*
- virtual void [SetVelocityLimits](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &vmax)
- virtual void [GetAccelerationLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vmax, bool bAppend=false) const  
*Returns the max accelerations of the joint.*
- virtual void [SetAccelerationLimits](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &vmax)
- virtual dReal [GetWeight](#) (int axis=0) const  
*The weight associated with a joint's axis for computing a distance in the robot configuration space.*
- virtual void [SetWeights](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &weights)
- dReal [GetWrapOffset](#) (int iaxis=0) const  
*Return internal offset parameter that determines the branch the angle centers on.*
- virtual void [SetWrapOffset](#) (dReal offset, int iaxis=0)
- virtual void [SetOffset](#) (dReal offset, int iaxis=0) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Internal Hierarchy Methods

- virtual LinkPtr [GetHierarchyParentLink](#) () const  
*Return the parent link which the joint measures its angle off from (either GetFirstAttached() or GetSecondAttached()).*
- virtual LinkPtr [GetHierarchyChildLink](#) () const  
*Return the child link whose transformation is computed by this joint's values (either GetFirstAttached() or GetSecondAttached()).*
- virtual Vector [GetInternalHierarchyAnchor](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual Vector [GetInternalHierarchyAxis](#) (int axis=0) const  
*The axis of the joint in local coordinates.*
- virtual Transform [GetInternalHierarchyLeftTransform](#) () const  
*Left multiply transform given the base body.*
- virtual Transform [GetInternalHierarchyRightTransform](#) () const  
*Right multiply transform given the base body.*

### Mimic Joint Properties

A mimic joint's angles are automatically determined from other joints based on a general purpose formula. A user does not have control of the the mimic joint values, even if they appear in the DOF list.

- int [GetMimicJointIndex](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- const std::vector< dReal > [GetMimicCoeffs](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- bool [IsMimic](#) (int axis=-1) const  
*Returns true if a particular axis of the joint is mimiced.*
- std::string [GetMimicEquation](#) (int axis=0, int type=0, const std::string &format="") const  
*If the joint is mimic, returns the equation to compute its value.*
- void [GetMimicDOFIndices](#) (std::vector< int > &vmimicdofs, int axis=0) const  
*Returns the set of DOF indices that the computation of a joint axis depends on. Order is arbitrary.*
- void [SetMimicEquations](#) (int axis, const std::string &poseq, const std::string &veleq, const std::string &acceq="")  
*Sets the mimic properties of the joint.*

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [\\_ComputePartialVelocities](#) (std::vector< std::pair< int, dReal > > &vpartials, int iaxis, std::map< std::pair< MIMIC::DOFFFormat, int >, dReal > &mapcachedpartials) const

*computes the partial velocities with respect to all dependent DOFs specified by [MIMIC::\\_vmimicdofs](#).*

- virtual void [\\_ComputeInternalInformation](#) (LinkPtr plink0, LinkPtr plink1, const Vector &[vanchor](#), const std::vector< Vector > &vaxes, const std::vector< dReal > &vcurrentvalues)

*Compute internal transformations and specify the attached links of the joint.*

### Protected Attributes

- boost::array< Vector, 3 > [\\_vaxes](#)  
*axes in body[0]'s or environment coordinate system used to define joint movement*
- Vector [vanchor](#)  
*anchor of the joint, this is only used to construct the internal left/right matrices*
- dReal [fResolution](#)  
*interpolation resolution*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_vmaxvel](#)  
*the soft maximum velocity (rad/s) to move the joint when planning*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [fHardMaxVel](#)  
*the hard maximum velocity, robot cannot exceed this velocity. used for verification checking*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_vmaxaccel](#)  
*the maximum acceleration (rad/s<sup>2</sup>) of the joint*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_vmaxtorque](#)  
*maximum torque (N.m, kg m<sup>2</sup>/s<sup>2</sup>) that can be applied to the joint*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_vweights](#)  
*the weights of the joint for computing distance metrics.*
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_voffsets](#)
- boost::array< dReal, 3 > [\\_vupperlimit](#)
- boost::array< boost::shared\_ptr< [MIMIC](#) >, 3 > [\\_vmimic](#)  
*the mimic properties of each of the joint axes. It is theoretically possible for a multi-dof joint to have one axes mimicked and the others free. When cloning, is it ok to copy this and assume it is constant?*

- `std::string _name`
- `boost::array< bool, 3 > _bIsCircular`

### 11.25.1 Detailed Description

Information about a joint that controls the relationship between two links.

### 11.25.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

#### 11.25.2.1 enum JointType

The type of joint movement.

Non-special joints that are combinations of revolution and prismatic joints. The first 4 bits specify the joint DOF, the next bits specify whether the joint is revolute (0) or prismatic (1). There can be also special joint types that are valid if the JointSpecialBit is set.

For multi-dof joints, the order is `transform(parentlink) * transform(axis0) * transform(axis1) ...`

### 11.25.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.25.3.1 virtual void \_ComputeInternalInformation (LinkPtr *plink0*, LinkPtr *plink1*, const Vector & *vanchor*, const std::vector< Vector > & *vaxes*, const std::vector< dReal > & *vcurrentvalues*) [**protected**, **virtual**]

Compute internal transformations and specify the attached links of the joint.

Called after the joint protected parameters {*vAxes*, *vanchor*, and *\_voffsets*} have been initialized. *vAxes* and *vanchor* should be in the frame of *plink0*. Compute the left and right multiplications of the joint transformation and cleans up the attached bodies. After function completes, the following parameters are initialized: *\_tRight*, *\_tLeft*, *\_tinvRight*, *\_tinvLeft*, *\_attachedbodies*. *\_attachedbodies* does not necessarily contain the links in the same order as they were input.

#### Parameters

- plink0* the first attaching link, all axes and anchors are defined in its coordinate system
- plink1* the second attaching link



*vanchor* the anchor of the rotation axes

*vaxes* the axes in plink0's coordinate system of the joints

*vinitialvalues* the current values of the robot used to set the 0 offset of the robot

**11.25.3.2** `virtual void _ComputePartialVelocities (std::vector< std::pair< int, dReal > > & vpartials, int iaxis, std::map< std::pair< MIMIC::DOFFormat, int >, dReal > & mapcachedpartials) const [protected, virtual]`

computes the partial velocities with respect to all dependent DOFs specified by [MIMIC::\\_vmimicdofs](#).

If the joint is not mimic, then just returns its own index

#### Parameters

→ *vpartials* A list of dofindex/velocity\_partial pairs. The final velocity is computed by taking the dot product. The dofindices do not repeat.

← *iaxis* the axis

↔ *vcachedpartials* set of cached partials for each degree of freedom

**11.25.3.3** `virtual void GetAccelerationLimits (std::vector< dReal > & vmax, bool bAppend = false) const [virtual]`

Returns the max accelerations of the joint.

#### Parameters

→ *the* max acceleration

← *bAppend* if true will append to the end of the vector instead of erasing it

**11.25.3.4** `virtual Vector GetAxis (int axis = 0) const [virtual]`

The axis of the joint in global coordinates.

#### Parameters

← *axis* the axis to get

**11.25.3.5 int GetDOFIndex () const**

Get the degree of freedom index in the body's DOF array.

This does not index in `KinBody::GetJoints()` directly! In other words, `KinBody::GetDOFValues()[GetDOFIndex()] == GetValues()[0]`

**11.25.3.6 virtual Vector GetInternalHierarchyAnchor () const [virtual]****11.25.3.7 virtual void GetLimits (std::vector< dReal > & vLowerLimit, std::vector< dReal > & vUpperLimit, bool bAppend = false) const [virtual]**

Returns the limits of the joint.

**Parameters**

- *vLowerLimit* the lower limits
- *vUpperLimit* the upper limits
- ← *bAppend* if true will append to the end of the vector instead of erasing it

**11.25.3.8 const std::vector<dReal> GetMimicCoeffs () const****11.25.3.9 void GetMimicDOFIndices (std::vector< int > & vmimicdofs, int axis = 0) const**

Returns the set of DOF indices that the computation of a joint axis depends on. Order is arbitrary.

If the mimic joint uses the values of other mimic joints, then the dependent DOFs of that joint are also copied over. Therefore, the dof indices returned can be more than the actual variables used in the equation.

**Exceptions**

- openrave\_exception* Throws an exception if the axis is not mimic.

### 11.25.3.10 `std::string GetMimicEquation (int axis = 0, int type = 0, const std::string & format = "") const`

If the joint is mimic, returns the equation to compute its value.

#### Parameters

- ← *axis* the axis index
- ← *type* 0 for position, 1 for velocity, 2 for acceleration.
- ← *format* the format the equations are returned in. If empty or "fparser", equation in fparser format. Also supports: "mathml".

MathML:

Set 'format' to "mathml". The joint variables are specified with `<csymbol>`. If a targetted joint has more than one degree of freedom, then axis is suffixed with `_%d`. If 'type' is 1 or 2, the partial derivatives are outputted as consecutive `<math></math>` tags in the same order as [MIMIC::\\_vdoffformat](#)

### 11.25.3.11 `int GetMimicJointIndex () const`

### 11.25.3.12 `dReal GetResolution () const`

The discretization of the joint used when line-collision checking.

The resolutions are set as large as possible such that the joint will not go through obstacles of determined size.

### 11.25.3.13 `virtual void GetValues (std::vector< dReal > & values, bool bAppend = false) const [virtual]`

Return all the joint values with the correct offsets applied.

#### Parameters

- bAppend* if true will append to the end of the vector instead of erasing it

#### Returns

- degrees of freedom of the joint (even if pValues is NULL)

**11.25.3.14** `virtual void GetVelocities (std::vector< dReal > & values, bool bAppend = false) const [virtual]`

Gets the joint velocities.

**Parameters**

*bAppend* if true will append to the end of the vector instead of erasing it

**Returns**

the degrees of freedom of the joint (even if pValues is NULL)

**11.25.3.15** `virtual void GetVelocityLimits (std::vector< dReal > & vmax, bool bAppend = false) const [virtual]`

Returns the max velocities of the joint.

**Parameters**

→ *the* max velocity

← *bAppend* if true will append to the end of the vector instead of erasing it

**11.25.3.16** `dReal GetWrapOffset (int iaxis = 0) const`

Return internal offset parameter that determines the branch the angle centers on.

Wrap offsets are needed for rotation joints since the range is limited to  $2\pi$ . This allows the wrap offset to be set so the joint can function in  $[-\pi+\text{offset}, \pi+\text{offset}]$ .

**Parameters**

*iaxis* the axis to get the offset from

**11.25.3.17** `virtual bool IsCircular (int iaxis) const [virtual]`

Return true if joint axis has an identification at some of its lower and upper limits.

An identification of the lower and upper limits means that once the joint reaches its upper limits, it is also at its lower limit. The most common identification on revolute joints at  $-\pi$  and  $\pi$ . 'circularity' means the joint does not stop at limits. Although currently not developed, it could be possible to support identification for joints that are not revolute.

#### 11.25.3.18 `bool IsMimic (int axis = -1) const`

Returns true if a particular axis of the joint is mimiced.

##### Parameters

*axis* the axis to query. When -1 returns true if any of the axes have mimic joints

#### 11.25.3.19 `virtual bool IsPrismatic (int iaxis) const` `[virtual]`

returns true if the axis describes a translation around an axis.

##### Parameters

*iaxis* the axis of the joint to return the results for

#### 11.25.3.20 `virtual bool IsRevolute (int iaxis) const` `[virtual]`

returns true if the axis describes a rotation around an axis.

##### Parameters

*iaxis* the axis of the joint to return the results for

#### 11.25.3.21 `virtual void SetAccelerationLimits (const std::vector< dReal > & vmax)` `[virtual]`

See also

[GetAccelerationLimits](#)

**11.25.3.22** `virtual void SetJointLimits (const std::vector< dReal > & lower, const std::vector< dReal > & upper) [virtual]`

**11.25.3.23** `virtual void SetLimits (const std::vector< dReal > & lower, const std::vector< dReal > & upper) [virtual]`

See also

[GetLimits](#)

**11.25.3.24** `void SetMimicEquations (int axis, const std::string & poseq, const std::string & veleq, const std::string & acceleq = "")`

Sets the mimic properties of the joint.

The equations can use the joint names directly in the equation, which represent the position of the joint. Any non-mimic joint part of [KinBody::GetJoints\(\)](#) can be used in the computation of the values. If a joint has more than one degree of freedom, then suffix it with '\_' and the axis index. For example `universaljoint_0 * 10 + sin(universaljoint_1)`.

See <http://warp.povusers.org/FunctionParser/fparser.html> for a full description of the equation formats.

The velocity and acceleration equations are specified in terms of partial derivatives, which means one expression needs to be specified per degree of freedom of used. In order to separate the expressions use "|name ...". The name should immediately follow '|'. For example:

```
|universaljoint_0 10 |universaljoint_1 10*cos(universaljoint_1)
```

If there is only one variable used in the position equation, then the equation can be specified directly without using "{}".

### Parameters

- ← *axis* the axis to set the properties for.
- ← *poseq* Equation for joint's position. If it is empty, the mimic properties are turned off for this joint.
- ← *veleq* First-order partial derivatives of poseq with respect to all used DOFs. Only the variables used in poseq are allowed to be used. If poseq is not empty, this is required.

← *acceleq* Second-order partial derivatives of poseq with respect to all used DOFs. Only the variables used in poseq are allowed to be used. Optional.

#### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* Throws an exception if the mimic equation is invalid in any way.

**11.25.3.25** virtual void SetOffset (dReal *offset*, int *iaxis* = 0) [**virtual**]

**11.25.3.26** virtual void SetVelocityLimits (const std::vector< dReal > & *vmax*) [**virtual**]

#### See also

[GetVelocityLimits](#)

**11.25.3.27** virtual void SetWeights (const std::vector< dReal > & *weights*) [**virtual**]

#### See also

[GetWeight](#)

**11.25.3.28** virtual void SetWrapOffset (dReal *offset*, int *iaxis* = 0) [**virtual**]

#### See also

[GetWrapOffset](#)

### 11.25.4 Member Data Documentation

**11.25.4.1** boost::array<bool,3> *\_bIsCircular* [**protected**]

See also

[IsCircular](#)

#### 11.25.4.2 std::string \_name [protected]

See also

[GetName](#)

#### 11.25.4.3 boost::array<dReal,3> \_voffsets [protected]

See also

[GetOffset](#)

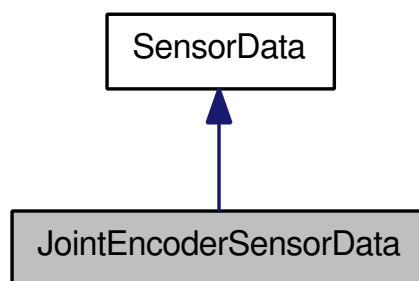
#### 11.25.4.4 boost::array<dReal,3> \_vupperlimit [protected]

joint limits

## 11.26 JointEncoderSensorData Class Reference

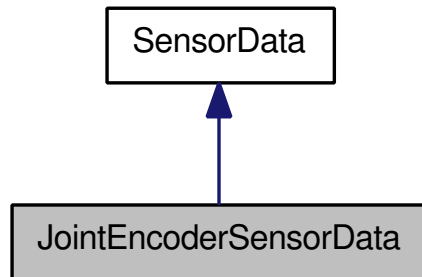
Stores joint angles and EE position.

Inheritance diagram for JointEncoderSensorData:





Collaboration diagram for JointEncoderSensorData:



### Public Attributes

- `std::vector< dReal > encoderValues`  
*measured joint angles in radians*
- `std::vector< dReal > encoderVelocity`  
*measured joint velocity in radians*

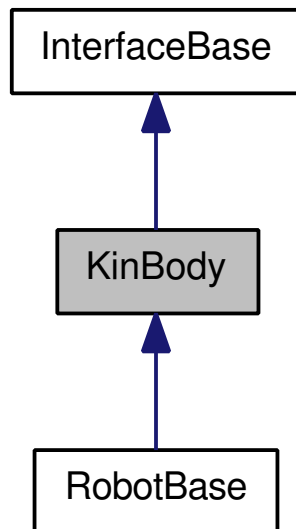
#### 11.26.1 Detailed Description

Stores joint angles and EE position.

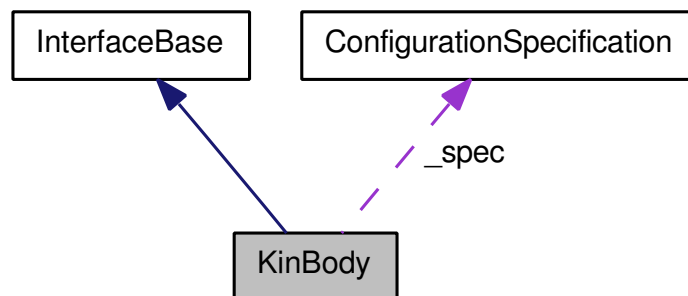
## 11.27 KinBody Class Reference

[interface] A kinematic body of links and joints. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for KinBody:



Collaboration diagram for KinBody:



## Classes

- class [BodyState](#)

*Stores the state of the current body that is published in a thread safe way from the environment without requiring locking the environment.*

- class [Joint](#)

*Information about a joint that controls the relationship between two links.*

- class [KinBodyStateSaver](#)  
*Helper class to save and restore the entire kinbody state.*
- class [Link](#)  
*A rigid body holding all its collision and rendering data.*
- class [ManageData](#)  
*Access point of the sensor system that manages the body.*

### Public Types

- enum [KinBodyProperty](#) {  
[Prop\\_Joints](#) = 0x1, [Prop\\_JointLimits](#) = 0x2|[Prop\\_Joints](#) , [Prop\\_JointProperties](#) = 0x8|[Prop\\_Joints](#), [Prop\\_Links](#) = 0x10,  
[Prop\\_Name](#) = 0x20, [Prop\\_LinkDraw](#) = 0x40, [Prop\\_LinkGeometry](#) = 0x80|[Prop\\_Links](#), [Prop\\_JointMimic](#) = 0x100|[Prop\\_Joints](#),  
[Prop\\_JointAccelerationVelocityLimits](#) = 0x200|[Prop\\_Joints](#), [Prop\\_LinkStatic](#) = 0x400|[Prop\\_Links](#), [Prop\\_RobotManipulators](#) = 0x00010000 , [Prop\\_RobotSensors](#) = 0x00020000 ,  
[Prop\\_RobotSensorPlacement](#) = 0x00040000 , [Prop\\_RobotActiveDOFs](#) = 0x00080000, [Prop\\_RobotManipulatorTool](#) = 0x00100000 }  
*A set of properties for the kinbody. These properties are used to describe a set of variables used in [KinBody](#).*
- enum [SaveParameters](#) {  
[Save\\_LinkTransformation](#) = 0x00000001, [Save\\_LinkEnable](#) = 0x00000002,  
[Save\\_LinkVelocities](#) = 0x00000004, [Save\\_ActiveDOF](#) = 0x00010000,  
[Save\\_ActiveManipulator](#) = 0x00020000, [Save\\_GrabbedBodies](#) = 0x00040000  
}
  
*Parameters passed into the state savers to control what information gets saved.*
- enum [AdjacentOptions](#) { [AO\\_Enabled](#) = 1, [AO\\_ActiveDOFs](#) = 2 }  
*specifies the type of adjacent link information to receive*

### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [InitFromFile](#) (const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList()) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [InitFromData](#) (const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList()) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

- virtual bool [InitFromBoxes](#) (const std::vector< [AABB](#) > &boxes, bool draw)  
*Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of aligned bounding boxes.*
- virtual bool [InitFromBoxes](#) (const std::vector< [OBB](#) > &boxes, bool draw)  
*Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of oriented bounding boxes.*
- virtual bool [InitFromSpheres](#) (const std::vector< [Vector](#) > &spheres, bool draw)  
*Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of spheres.*
- virtual bool [InitFromTrimesh](#) (const [Link::TRIMESH](#) &trimesh, bool draw)  
*Create a kinbody with one link composed of a triangle mesh surface.*
- bool [InitFromGeometries](#) (std::list< [KinBody::Link::GEOMPROPERTIES](#) > &geometries, bool draw)  
*Create a kinbody with one link composed of a list of geometries.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetName](#) () const  
*Unique name of the robot.*
- virtual void [SetName](#) (const std::string &name)  
*Set the name of the robot, notifies the environment and checks for uniqueness.*
- virtual void [SubtractDOFValues](#) (std::vector< [dReal](#) > &values1, const std::vector< [dReal](#) > &values2) const  
*Computes the configuration difference values1-values2 and stores it in values1.*
- virtual void [SubtractJointValues](#) (std::vector< [dReal](#) > &q1, const std::vector< [dReal](#) > &q2) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [SetDOFTorques](#) (const std::vector< [dReal](#) > &torques, bool add)  
*Adds a torque to every joint.*
- virtual void [SetJointTorques](#) (const std::vector< [dReal](#) > &torques, bool add) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual const std::vector< [LinkPtr](#) > & [GetLinks](#) () const  
*Returns all the rigid links of the body.*
- virtual [LinkPtr](#) [GetLink](#) (const std::string &name) const  
*return a pointer to the link with the given name*
- virtual void [SimulationStep](#) ([dReal](#) fElapsedTime)  
*Updates the bounding box and any other parameters that could have changed by a simulation step.*

- virtual void [GetLinkTransformations](#) (std::vector< Transform > &transforms) const  
*get the transformations of all the links at once*
- virtual void [GetBodyTransformations](#) (std::vector< Transform > &transforms) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual Transform [GetTransform](#) () const  
*queries the transformation of the first link of the body*
- virtual bool [SetVelocity](#) (const Vector &linearvel, const Vector &angularvel)  
*Set the velocity of the base link, rest of links are set to a consistent velocity so entire robot moves correctly.*
- virtual void [SetDOFVelocities](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &vDOFVelocities, const Vector &linearvel, const Vector &angularvel, bool checklimits=false)  
*Sets the velocity of the base link and each of the joints.*
- virtual void [SetDOFVelocities](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &vDOFVelocities, bool checklimits=false)  
*Sets the velocity of the joints.*
- virtual void [GetLinkVelocities](#) (std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > &velocities) const  
*Returns the linear and angular velocities for each link.*
- virtual void [SetTransform](#) (const Transform &transform)  
*set the transform of the first link (the rest of the links are computed based on the joint values).*
- virtual [AABB ComputeAABB](#) () const  
*Return an axis-aligned bounding box of the entire object in the world coordinate system.*
- virtual Vector [GetCenterOfMass](#) () const  
*Return the center of mass of entire robot in the world coordinate system.*
- virtual void [Enable](#) (bool enable)  
*Enables or disables the bodies.*
- virtual void [EnableLink](#) (LinkPtr plink, bool bEnable) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [IsEnabled](#) () const
- virtual void [SetDOFValues](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &values, bool checklimits=false)

*Sets the joint values of the robot.*

- virtual void [SetDOFValues](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &values, const Transform &transform, bool checklimits=false)

*Sets the joint values and transformation of the body.*

- virtual void [SetLinkTransformations](#) (const std::vector< Transform > &transforms)

*sets the transformations of all the links at once*

- virtual void [SetBodyTransformations](#) (const std::vector< Transform > &transforms) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

- virtual void [SetLinkVelocities](#) (const std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > &velocities)

*sets the link velocities*

- virtual void [CalculateJacobian](#) (int linkindex, const Vector &offset, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &vjacobian) const

*Computes the translation jacobian with respect to a world position.*

- virtual void [CalculateRotationJacobian](#) (int linkindex, const Vector &quat, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &vjacobian) const

*Computes the rotational jacobian as a quaternion with respect to an initial rotation.*

- virtual void [CalculateAngularVelocityJacobian](#) (int linkindex, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &vjacobian) const

*Computes the angular velocity jacobian of a specified link about the axes of world coordinates.*

- virtual bool [CheckSelfCollision](#) (CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr()) const

*Check if body is self colliding. Links that are joined together are ignored.*

- virtual bool [IsAttached](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body) const

- virtual void [GetAttached](#) (std::set< KinBodyPtr > &setAttached) const

*Recursively get all attached bodies of this body, including this body.*

- virtual bool [IsRobot](#) () const

*Return true if this body is derived from [RobotBase](#).*

- virtual int [GetEnvironmentId](#) () const

*return a unique id of the body used in the environment.*

- virtual int8\_t [DoesAffect](#) (int jointindex, int linkindex) const  
*Returns a nonzero value if the joint effects the link transformation.*
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetViewerData](#) () const
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetGuiData](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual const std::set< int > & [GetNonAdjacentLinks](#) (int adjacentoptions=0) const  
*return all possible link pairs that could get in collision.*
- virtual const std::set< int > & [GetAdjacentLinks](#) () const  
*return all possible link pairs whose collisions are ignored.*
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetPhysicsData](#) () const
- virtual UserDataPtr [GetCollisionData](#) () const  
*SetCollisionData.*
- virtual int [GetUpdateStamp](#) () const  
*Return a unique id for every transformation state change of any link. Used to check if robot state has changed.*
- virtual UserDataPtr [RegisterChangeCallback](#) (int properties, const boost::function< void()> &callback)  
*Register a callback with the interface.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetKinematicsGeometryHash](#) () const  
*A md5 hash unique to the particular kinematic and geometric structure of a [KinBody](#).*
- virtual void [SetJointVelocities](#) (const std::vector< dReal > &pJointVelocities) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [GetVelocity](#) (Vector &linearvel, Vector &angularvel) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [SetZeroConfiguration](#) ()  
*Sets the joint offsets so that the current configuration becomes the new zero state of the robot.*

### Basic Information

*Methods for accessing basic information about joints*

- virtual int [GetDOF](#) () const  
*Number controllable degrees of freedom of the body.*
- virtual void [GetDOFValues](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const

*Returns all the joint values as organized by the DOF indices.*

- virtual void [GetDOFVelocities](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const  
*Returns all the joint velocities as organized by the DOF indices.*
- virtual void [GetDOFLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &lowerlimit, std::vector< dReal > &upperlimit) const  
*Returns all the joint limits as organized by the DOF indices.*
- virtual void [GetDOFVelocityLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &lowerlimit, std::vector< dReal > &upperlimit) const  
*Returns all the joint velocity limits as organized by the DOF indices.*
- virtual void [GetDOFVelocityLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &maxvelocities) const  
*Returns the max velocity for each DOF.*
- virtual void [GetDOFAccelerationLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &maxaccelerations) const  
*Returns the max acceleration for each DOF.*
- virtual void [GetDOFMaxVel](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [GetDOFMaxAccel](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [GetDOFMaxTorque](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void [GetDOFResolutions](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void [GetDOFWeights](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- const std::vector< JointPtr > & [GetJoints](#) () const  
*Returns the joints making up the controllable degrees of freedom of the body.*
- const std::vector< JointPtr > & [GetPassiveJoints](#) () const  
*Returns the passive joints, order does not matter.*
- virtual void [GetRigidlyAttachedLinks](#) (int linkindex, std::vector< LinkPtr > &vattachedlinks) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual const std::vector< JointPtr > & [GetDependencyOrderedJoints](#) () const  
*Returns the joints in hierarchical order starting at the base link.*
- virtual const std::vector< std::vector< std::pair< LinkPtr, JointPtr > > > & [GetClosedLoops](#) () const  
*Return the set of unique closed loops of the kinematics hierarchy.*
- virtual bool [GetChain](#) (int linkindex1, int linkindex2, std::vector< JointPtr > &vjoints) const



*Computes the minimal chain of joints that are between two links in the order of linkindex1 to linkindex2.*

- virtual bool [GetChain](#) (int linkindex1, int linkindex2, std::vector< LinkPtr > &vlinks) const  
*similar to GetChain(int,int,std::vector<JointPtr>&) except returns the links along the path.*
- virtual bool [IsDOFInChain](#) (int linkindex1, int linkindex2, int dofindex) const  
*Returns true if the dof index affects the relative transformation between the two links.*
- virtual int [GetJointIndex](#) (const std::string &name) const  
*Return the index of the joint with the given name, else -1.*
- virtual JointPtr [GetJoint](#) (const std::string &name) const  
*Return a pointer to the joint with the given name. Search in the regular and passive joints.*
- virtual JointPtr [GetJointFromDOFIndex](#) (int dofindex) const  
*Returns the joint that covers the degree of freedom index.*

### Configuration Specification API

*Functions dealing with configuration specifications*

- virtual const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) & [GetConfigurationSpecification](#) () const  
*return the configuration specification of the joint values and transform*
- virtual [ConfigurationSpecification](#) [GetConfigurationSpecificationIndices](#) (const std::vector< int > &indices) const  
*return the configuration specification of the specified joint indices.*
- virtual void [SetConfigurationValues](#) (std::vector< dReal >::const\_iterator it-values, bool checklimits=false)  
*sets joint values and transform of the body using configuration values as specified by [GetConfigurationSpecification\(\)](#)*
- virtual void [GetConfigurationValues](#) (std::vector< dReal > &v) const  
*returns the configuration values as specified by [GetConfigurationSpecification\(\)](#)*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()

*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### Protected Member Functions

- [KinBody](#) (InterfaceType type, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)  
*constructors declared protected so that user always goes through environment to create bodies*
- virtual void [SetPhysicsData](#) (UserDataPtr pdata)  
*custom data managed by the current active physics engine, should be set only by [PhysicsEngineBase](#)*
- virtual void [SetCollisionData](#) (UserDataPtr pdata)  
*custom data managed by the current active collision checker, should be set only by [CollisionCheckerBase](#)*
- virtual void [SetViewerData](#) (UserDataPtr pdata)  
*custom data managed by the current active viewer, should be set only by [ViewerBase](#)*
- virtual void [\\_ComputeInternalInformation](#) ()  
*Final post-processing stage before a kinematics body can be used.*
- virtual void [\\_ParametersChanged](#) (int parameters)  
*Called to notify the body that certain groups of parameters have been changed.*
- virtual bool [\\_IsAttached](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body, std::set< KinBodyConstPtr > &setChecked) const  
*Return true if two bodies should be considered as one during collision (ie one is grabbing the other).*
- virtual void [\\_AttachBody](#) (KinBodyPtr body)  
*adds an attached body*
- virtual bool [\\_RemoveAttachedBody](#) (KinBodyPtr body)  
*removes an attached body*
- virtual void [\\_ResetInternalCollisionCache](#) ()  
*resets cached information dependent on the collision checker (usually called when the collision checker is switched or some big mode is set.*
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< FunctionParserBase< dReal > > [\\_CreateFunctionParser](#) ()  
*creates the function parser connected to this body's joint values*

### Protected Attributes

- `std::string _name`  
*name of body*
- `std::vector< JointPtr > _vecjoints`
- `std::vector< JointPtr > _vTopologicallySortedJoints`
- `std::vector< JointPtr > _vTopologicallySortedJointsAll`  
*Similar to `_vDependencyOrderedJoints` except includes `_vecjoints` and `_vPassiveJoints`.*
- `std::vector< int > _vTopologicallySortedJointIndicesAll`  
*the joint indices of the joints in `_vTopologicallySortedJointsAll`. Passive joint indices have `_vecjoints.size()` added to them.*
- `std::vector< JointPtr > _vDOFOrderedJoints`  
*all joints of the body ordered on how they are arranged within the degrees of freedom*
- `std::vector< LinkPtr > _veclinks`
- `std::vector< int > _vDOFIndices`  
*cached start joint indices, indexed by dof indices*
- `std::vector< std::pair< int16_t, int16_t > > _vAllPairsShortestPaths`  
*all-pairs shortest paths through the link hierarchy. The first value describes the parent link index, and the second value is an index into `_vecjoints` or `_vPassiveJoints`. If the second value is greater or equal to `_vecjoints.size()` then it indexes into `_vPassiveJoints`.*
- `std::vector< int8_t > _vJointsAffectingLinks`  
*joint x link: (jointindex\*\_veclinks.size()+linkindex). entry is non-zero if the joint affects the link in the forward kinematics. If negative, the partial derivative of ds/dtheta should be negated.*
- `std::vector< std::vector< std::pair< LinkPtr, JointPtr > > > _vClosedLoops`
- `std::vector< std::vector< std::pair< int16_t, int16_t > > > _vClosedLoopIndices`
- `std::vector< JointPtr > _vPassiveJoints`
- `std::set< int > _setAdjacentLinks`
- `std::vector< std::pair< std::string, std::string > > _vForcedAdjacentLinks`  
*internally stores forced adjacent links*
- `std::list< KinBodyWeakPtr > _listAttachedBodies`  
*list of bodies that are directly attached to this body (can have duplicates)*

- `std::list< UserDataWeakPtr > _listRegisteredCallbacks`  
*callbacks to call when particular properties of the body change.*
- `boost::array< std::set< int >, 4 > _setNonAdjacentLinks`  
*contains cached versions of the non-adjacent links depending on values in AdjacentOptions. Declared as mutable since data is cached.*
- `int _nNonAdjacentLinkCache`  
*specifies what information is currently valid in the AdjacentOptions. Declared as mutable since data is cached. If 0x80000000 (ie < 0), then everything needs to be recomputed including \_setNonAdjacentLinks[0].*
- `std::vector< Transform > _vInitialLinkTransformations`  
*the initial transformations of each link specifying at least one pose where the robot is collision free*
- `int _environmentid`
- `int _nUpdateStampId`
- `int _nParametersChanged`  
*set of parameters that changed and need callbacks*
- `UserDataPtr _pViewerData`
- `UserDataPtr _pPhysicsData`
- `UserDataPtr _pCollisionData`
- `uint32_t _nHierarchyComputed`  
*true if the joint heirarchy and other cached information is computed*

### 11.27.1 Detailed Description

[interface] A kinematic body of links and joints. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Kinematics Body Concepts](#).

### 11.27.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

#### 11.27.2.1 enum AdjacentOptions

specifies the type of adjacent link information to receive

**Enumerator:**

*AO\_Enabled* return only enabled link pairs

*AO\_ActiveDOFs* return only link pairs that have an active in its path

### 11.27.2.2 enum KinBodyProperty

A set of properties for the kinbody. These properties are used to describe a set of variables used in [KinBody](#).

#### Enumerator:

- Prop\_Joints* all properties of all joints
- Prop\_JointLimits* regular limits
- Prop\_JointProperties* max velocity, max acceleration, resolution, max torque
- Prop\_Links* all properties of all links
- Prop\_Name* name changed
- Prop\_LinkDraw* toggle link geometries rendering
- Prop\_LinkGeometry* the geometry of the link changed
- Prop\_JointMimic* joint mimic equations
- Prop\_JointAccelerationVelocityLimits* velocity + acceleration
- Prop\_LinkStatic* static property of link changed
- Prop\_RobotManipulators* [robot only] all properties of all manipulators
- Prop\_RobotSensors* [robot only] all properties of all sensors
- Prop\_RobotSensorPlacement* [robot only] relative sensor placement of sensors
- Prop\_RobotActiveDOFs* [robot only] active dofs changed
- Prop\_RobotManipulatorTool* [robot only] the tool coordinate system changed

### 11.27.2.3 enum SaveParameters

Parameters passed into the state savers to control what information gets saved.

#### Enumerator:

- Save\_LinkTransformation* [default] save link transformations
- Save\_LinkEnable* [default] save link enable states
- Save\_LinkVelocities* save the link velocities
- Save\_ActiveDOF* [robot only], saves and restores the current active degrees of freedom
- Save\_ActiveManipulator* [robot only], saves the active manipulator
- Save\_GrabbedBodies* [robot only], saves the grabbed state of the bodies. This does not affect the configuraiton of those bodies.

### 11.27.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.27.3.1 **virtual void \_ComputeInternalInformation ()** [**protected**, **virtual**]

Final post-processing stage before a kinematics body can be used.

This method is called after the body is finished being initialized with data and before being added to the environment. Also builds the hashes. Builds the internal hierarchy and kinematic body hash.

Avoids making specific calls on the collision checker (like CheckCollision) or physics engine (like simulating velocities/torques) since this information can change depending on the attached plugin.

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

#### 11.27.3.2 **virtual void \_ParametersChanged (int *parameters*)** [**protected**, **virtual**]

Called to notify the body that certain groups of parameters have been changed.

This function in calls every registers calledback that is tracking the changes. It also recomputes the hashes if geometry changed.

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

#### 11.27.3.3 **virtual bool \_RemoveAttachedBody (KinBodyPtr *body*)** [**protected**, **virtual**]

removes an attached body

##### **Returns**

true if body was successfully found and removed

#### 11.27.3.4 **virtual void CalculateAngularVelocityJacobian (int *linkindex*, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > & *vjacobian*) const** [**virtual**]

Computes the angular velocity jacobian of a specified link about the axes of world coordinates.

**Parameters**

*linkindex* of the link that the rotation is attached to

*vjacobian* 3xDOF matrix

**11.27.3.5 virtual void CalculateJacobian (int *linkindex*, const Vector & *offset*, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > & *vjacobian*) const [virtual]**

Computes the translation jacobian with respect to a world position.

Gets the jacobian with respect to a link by computing the partial differentials for all joints that in the path from the root node to [GetLinks\(\)\[index\]](#) (doesn't touch the rest of the values)

**Parameters**

*linkindex* of the link that the rotation is attached to

*position* position in world space where to compute derivatives from.

*vjacobian* 3xDOF matrix

**11.27.3.6 virtual void CalculateRotationJacobian (int *linkindex*, const Vector & *quat*, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > & *vjacobian*) const [virtual]**

Computes the rotational jacobian as a quaternion with respect to an initial rotation.

**Parameters**

*linkindex* of the link that the rotation is attached to

*qInitialRot* the rotation in world space whose derivative to take from.

*vjacobian* 4xDOF matrix

**11.27.3.7 virtual int8\_t DoesAffect (int *jointindex*, int *linkindex*) const [virtual]**

Returns a nonzero value if the joint effects the link transformation.

In closed loops, all joints on all paths to the root link are counted as affecting the link. If a mimic joint affects the link, then all the joints used in the mimic joint's computation affect the link. If negative, the partial derivative of the Jacobian should be negated.

**Parameters**

*jointindex* index of the joint

*linkindex* index of the link

**11.27.3.8 virtual void EnableLink (LinkPtr *plink*, bool *bEnable*) [virtual]**

**11.27.3.9 virtual void GetAttached (std::set< KinBodyPtr > & *setAttached*) const [virtual]**

Recursively get all attached bodies of this body, including this body.

**Parameters**

*setAttached* fills with the attached bodies. If any bodies are already in *setAttached*, then ignores recursing on their attached bodies.

**11.27.3.10 virtual void GetBodyTransformations (std::vector< Transform > & *transforms*) const [virtual]**

**11.27.3.11 virtual bool GetChain (int *linkindex1*, int *linkindex2*, std::vector< JointPtr > & *vjoints*) const [virtual]**

Computes the minimal chain of joints that are between two links in the order of *linkindex1* to *linkindex2*.

Passive joints are also used in the computation of the chain and can be returned. Note that a passive joint has a joint index and dof index of -1.

**Parameters**

← *linkindex1* the link index to start the search

← *linkindex2* the link index where the search ends

→ *vjoints* the joints to fill that describe the chain



**Returns**

true if the two links are connected (vjoints will be filled), false if the links are separate

**11.27.3.12 virtual const std::vector< std::vector< std::pair<LinkPtr, JointPtr> > >& GetClosedLoops () const [virtual]**

Return the set of unique closed loops of the kinematics hierarchy.

Each loop is a set of link indices and joint indices. For example, a loop of link indices: [l\_0, l\_1, l\_2] will consist of three joints connecting l\_0 to l\_1, l\_1 to l\_2, and l\_2 to l\_0. The first element in the pair is the link l\_X, the second element in the joint connecting l\_X to l\_(X+1).

**11.27.3.13 virtual ConfigurationSpecification GetConfigurationSpecificationIndices (const std::vector< int > & indices) const [virtual]**

return the configuration specification of the specified joint indices.

Note that the return type is by-value, so should not be used in iteration

**11.27.3.14 virtual const std::vector<JointPtr>& GetDependencyOrderedJoints () const [virtual]**

Returns the joints in hierarchical order starting at the base link.

In the case of closed loops, the joints are returned in the order closest to the root. All the joints affecting a particular joint's transformation will always come before the joint in the list.

**11.27.3.15 virtual int GetDOF () const [virtual]**

Number controllable degrees of freedom of the body.

Only uses \_vecjoints and last joint for computation, so can work before \_ComputeInternalInformation is called.

**11.27.3.16** `virtual void GetDOFMaxVel (std::vector< dReal > & v) const`  
[virtual]

**11.27.3.17** `virtual int GetEnvironmentId () const` [virtual]

return a unique id of the body used in the environment.

If object is not added to the environment, this will return 0. So checking if [GetEnvironmentId\(\)](#) is 0 is a good way to check if object is present in the environment. This id will not be copied when cloning in order to respect another environment's ids.

**11.27.3.18** `virtual UserDataPtr GetGuiData () const` [virtual]

**11.27.3.19** `virtual JointPtr GetJointFromDOFIndex (int dofindex) const`  
[virtual]

Returns the joint that covers the degree of freedom index.

Note that the mapping of joint structures is not the same as the values in `GetJointValues` since each joint can have more than one degree of freedom.

**11.27.3.20** `virtual const std::string& GetKinematicsGeometryHash () const`  
[virtual]

A md5 hash unique to the particular kinematic and geometric structure of a [KinBody](#).

This 32 byte string can be used to check if two bodies have the same kinematic structure and can be used to index into tables when looking for body-specific models. [OpenRAVE](#) stores all such models in the `OPENRAVE_HOME` directory (usually `~/openrave`), indexed by the particular robot/body hashes.

#### Returns

md5 hash string of kinematics/geometry

**11.27.3.21 virtual const std::set<int>& GetNonAdjacentLinks (int *adjacentoptions* = 0) const [virtual]**

return all possible link pairs that could get in collision.

**Parameters**

*adjacentoptions* a bitmask of [AdjacentOptions](#) values

**11.27.3.22 const std::vector<JointPtr>& GetPassiveJoints () const**

Returns the passive joints, order does not matter.

A passive joint is not directly controlled by the body's degrees of freedom so it has no joint index and no dof index. Passive joints allows mimic joints to be hidden from the users. However, there are cases when passive joints are not mimic; for example, suspension mechanism on vehicles.

**11.27.3.23 virtual UserDataPtr GetPhysicsData () const [virtual]****See also**

[SetPhysicsData](#)

**11.27.3.24 virtual void GetRigidlyAttachedLinks (int *linkindex*, std::vector<LinkPtr > & *vattachedlinks*) const [virtual]****See also**

[Link::GetRigidlyAttachedLinks](#) (10/12/12)

**11.27.3.25 virtual int GetUpdateStamp () const [virtual]**

Return a unique id for every transformation state change of any link. Used to check if robot state has changed.

The stamp is used by the collision checkers, physics engines, or any other item that needs to keep track of any changes of the [KinBody](#) as it moves. Currently stamps monotonically increment for every transformation/joint angle change.

**11.27.3.26** `virtual void GetVelocity (Vector & linearvel, Vector & angularvel) const` `[virtual]`

**11.27.3.27** `virtual UserDataPtr GetViewerData () const` `[virtual]`

See also

[SetViewerData](#)

**11.27.3.28** `virtual bool InitFromBoxes (const std::vector< OBB > & boxes, bool draw)` `[virtual]`

Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of oriented bounding boxes.

#### Parameters

*boxes* the array of oriented bounding boxes that will comprise of the body

*draw* if true, the boxes will be rendered in the scene

**11.27.3.29** `virtual bool InitFromBoxes (const std::vector< AABB > & boxes, bool draw)` `[virtual]`

Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of aligned bounding boxes.

#### Parameters

*boxes* the array of aligned bounding boxes that will comprise of the body

*draw* if true, the boxes will be rendered in the scene

**11.27.3.30** `virtual bool InitFromData (const std::string & data, const AttributesList & atts = AttributesList ()) [virtual]`

**See also**

EnvironmentBase::ReadKinBodyXMLData

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

**11.27.3.31** `virtual bool InitFromFile (const std::string & filename, const AttributesList & atts = AttributesList ()) [virtual]`

**See also**

EnvironmentBase::ReadKinBodyXMLFile

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

**11.27.3.32** `bool InitFromGeometries (std::list< KinBody::Link::GEOMPROPERTIES > & geometries, bool draw)`

Create a kinbody with one link composed of a list of geometries.

**Parameters**

*geometries* In order to save memory, the geometries in this list are transferred to the link. After function completes, the size should be 0.

*draw* if true, will be rendered in the scene

**11.27.3.33** `virtual bool InitFromSpheres (const std::vector< Vector > & spheres, bool draw) [virtual]`

Create a kinbody with one link composed of an array of spheres.

**Parameters**

*spheres* the XYZ position of the spheres with the W coordinate representing the individual radius

**11.27.3.34 virtual bool InitFromTrimesh (const Link::TRIMESH & *trimesh*, bool *draw*) [virtual]**

Create a kinbody with one link composed of a triangle mesh surface.

**Parameters**

*trimesh* the triangle mesh  
*draw* if true, will be rendered in the scene

**11.27.3.35 virtual bool IsAttached (KinBodyConstPtr *body*) const [virtual]****Returns**

true if two bodies should be considered as one during collision (ie one is grabbing the other)

**11.27.3.36 virtual bool IsDOFInChain (int *linkindex1*, int *linkindex2*, int *dofindex*) const [virtual]**

Returns true if the dof index affects the relative transformation between the two links.

The internal implementation uses [KinBody::DoesAffect](#), therefore mimic indices are correctly handled.

**Parameters**

← *linkindex1* the link index to start the search  
← *linkindex2* the link index where the search ends

**11.27.3.37 virtual bool IsEnabled () const [virtual]****Returns**

true if any link of the [KinBody](#) is enabled

**11.27.3.38** `virtual UserDataPtr RegisterChangeCallback (int properties, const boost::function< void()> & callback) [virtual]`

Register a callback with the interface.

Everytime a static property of the interface changes, all registered callbacks are called to update the users of the changes. Note that the callbacks will block the thread that made the parameter change.

#### Parameters

*callback*

*properties* a mask of the [KinBodyProperty](#) values that the callback should be called for when they change

**11.27.3.39** `virtual void SetBodyTransformations (const std::vector< Transform > & transforms) [virtual]`

**11.27.3.40** `virtual void SetConfigurationValues (std::vector< dReal >::const_iterator itvalues, bool checklimits = false) [virtual]`

sets joint values and transform of the body using configuration values as specified by [GetConfigurationSpecification\(\)](#)

#### Parameters

*itvalues* the iterator to the vector containing the dof values. Must have [GetConfigurationSpecification\(\).GetDOF\(\)](#) values!

**11.27.3.41** `virtual void SetDOFTorques (const std::vector< dReal > & torques, bool add) [virtual]`

Adds a torque to every joint.

#### Parameters

*bAdd* if true, adds to previous torques, otherwise resets the torques on all bodies and starts from 0

**11.27.3.42** `virtual void SetDOFValues (const std::vector< dReal > & values,  
const Transform & transform, bool checklimits = false)  
[virtual]`

Sets the joint values and transformation of the body.

#### Parameters

*values* the values to set the joint angles (ordered by the dof indices)  
*transform* represents the transformation of the first body. checklimits if true, will explicitly check the joint limits before setting the values.

**11.27.3.43** `virtual void SetDOFValues (const std::vector< dReal > & values,  
bool checklimits = false) [virtual]`

Sets the joint values of the robot.

#### Parameters

*values* the values to set the joint angles (ordered by the dof indices) checklimits if true, will explicitly check the joint limits before setting the values.

**11.27.3.44** `virtual void SetDOFVelocities (const std::vector< dReal > &  
vDOFVelocities, bool checklimits = false) [virtual]`

Sets the velocity of the joints.

Copies the current velocity of the base link and calls SetDOFVelocities(linearvel,angularvel,vDOFVelocities)

#### Parameters

← *vDOFVelocity* - velocities of each of the degrees of freedom checklimits if true, will explicitly check the joint velocity limits before setting the values.

**11.27.3.45** `virtual void SetDOFVelocities (const std::vector< dReal > &  
vDOFVelocities, const Vector & linearvel, const Vector & angularvel,  
bool checklimits = false) [virtual]`



Sets the velocity of the base link and each of the joints.

Computes internally what the corresponding velocities of each of the links should be in order to achieve consistent results with the joint velocities. Sends the velocities to the physics engine. Velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.

#### Parameters

- ← *linearvel* linear velocity of base link
- ← *angularvel* angular velocity  $\text{rotation\_axis} * \text{theta\_dot}$
- ← *vDOFVelocities* - velocities of each of the degrees of freedom
- checklimits* if true, will explicitly check the joint velocity limits before setting the values.

**11.27.3.46** `virtual void SetJointTorques (const std::vector< dReal > & torques, bool add) [virtual]`

**11.27.3.47** `virtual void SetJointVelocities (const std::vector< dReal > & pJointVelocities) [virtual]`

**11.27.3.48** `virtual void SetTransform (const Transform & transform) [virtual]`

set the transform of the first link (the rest of the links are computed based on the joint values).

#### Parameters

- transform* affine transformation

Reimplemented in [RobotBase](#).

**11.27.3.49** `virtual bool SetVelocity (const Vector & linearvel, const Vector & angularvel) [virtual]`

Set the velocity of the base link, rest of links are set to a consistent velocity so entire robot moves correctly.

### Parameters

*linearvel* linear velocity

*angularvel* is the rotation axis \* angular speed

#### 11.27.3.50 virtual void SetZeroConfiguration () [virtual]

Sets the joint offsets so that the current configuration becomes the new zero state of the robot.

When this function returns, the returned DOF values should be all zero for controllable joints. Mimic equations will use the new offsetted values when computing their joints. This is primarily used for calibrating a robot's zero position

#### 11.27.3.51 virtual void SubtractDOFValues (std::vector< dReal > & values1, const std::vector< dReal > & values2) const [virtual]

Computes the configuration difference values1-values2 and stores it in values1.

Takes into account joint limits and wrapping of circular joints.

#### 11.27.3.52 virtual void SubtractJointValues (std::vector< dReal > & q1, const std::vector< dReal > & q2) const [virtual]

### 11.27.4 Member Data Documentation

#### 11.27.4.1 int \_environmentId [protected]

### See also

[GetEnvironmentId](#)

#### 11.27.4.2 int \_nUpdateStampId [mutable, protected]

See also

[GetUpdateStamp](#)

#### 11.27.4.3 UserDataPtr \_pCollisionData [protected]

See also

[SetCollisionData](#)

#### 11.27.4.4 UserDataPtr \_pPhysicsData [protected]

See also

[SetPhysicsData](#)

#### 11.27.4.5 UserDataPtr \_pViewerData [protected]

See also

[SetViewerData](#)

#### 11.27.4.6 std::set<int> \_setAdjacentLinks [protected]

a set of which links are connected to which if link i and j are connected then  $i|(j < 16)$  will be in the set where  $i < j$ .

#### 11.27.4.7 std::vector< std::vector< std::pair<int16\_t,int16\_t> > > \_vClosedLoopIndices [protected]

See also

[GetClosedLoops](#)

**11.27.4.8** `std::vector< std::vector< std::pair<LinkPtr,JointPtr> > >  
_vClosedLoops [protected]`

See also

[GetClosedLoops](#)

**11.27.4.9** `std::vector<JointPtr> _vecjoints [protected]`

See also

[GetJoints](#)

**11.27.4.10** `std::vector<LinkPtr> _veclinks [protected]`

See also

[GetLinks](#)

**11.27.4.11** `std::vector<JointPtr> _vPassiveJoints [protected]`

See also

[GetPassiveJoints\(\)](#)

**11.27.4.12** `std::vector<JointPtr> _vTopologicallySortedJoints  
[protected]`

See also

[GetDependencyOrderedJoints](#)

## 11.28 KinBodyStateSaver Class Reference

Helper class to save and restore the entire kinbody state.

### Protected Attributes

- int [\\_options](#)  
*saved options*

#### 11.28.1 Detailed Description

Helper class to save and restore the entire kinbody state. Options can be passed to the constructor in order to choose which parameters to save (see [SaveParameters](#))

### 11.29 LineCollisionConstraint Class Reference

Line collision.

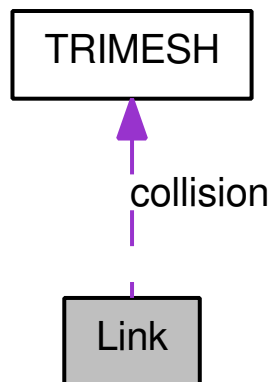
#### 11.29.1 Detailed Description

Line collision.

### 11.30 Link Class Reference

A rigid body holding all its collision and rendering data.

Collaboration diagram for Link:



### Classes

- class [GEOMPROPERTIES](#)

- class [TRIMESH](#)

*User data for trimesh geometries. Vertices are defined in counter-clockwise order for outward pointing faces.*

### Public Member Functions

- [Link](#) (KinBodyPtr parent)  
*pass in a ODE world*
- bool [IsStatic](#) () const  
*Indicates a static body that does not move with respect to the root link.*
- virtual bool [IsEnabled](#) () const  
*returns true if the link is enabled.*
- virtual void [Enable](#) (bool enable)  
*Enables a [Link](#). An enabled link takes part in collision detection and physics simulations.*
- KinBodyPtr [GetParent](#) () const  
*parent body that link belong to.*
- int [GetIndex](#) () const  
*unique index into parent [KinBody::GetLinks](#) vector*
- virtual [AABB ComputeAABB](#) () const  
*Compute the aabb of all the geometries of the link in the world coordinate system.*
- Transform [GetTransform](#) () const  
*Return the current transformation of the link in the world coordinate system.*
- virtual void [GetParentLinks](#) (std::vector< boost::shared\_ptr< [Link](#) > > &vParentLinks) const  
*Return all the direct parent links in the kinematics hierarchy of this link.*
- virtual bool [IsParentLink](#) (boost::shared\_ptr< [Link](#) const > plink) const  
*Tests if a link is a direct parent.*
- Vector [GetCOMOffset](#) () const
- virtual void [SetStatic](#) (bool bStatic)  
*sets a link to be static.*

- virtual void [SetTransform](#) (const Transform &transform)  
*Sets the transform of the link regardless of kinematics.*
- virtual void [SetForce](#) (const Vector &force, const Vector &pos, bool add)
- virtual void [SetTorque](#) (const Vector &torque, bool add)
- virtual void [SetVelocity](#) (const Vector &linearvel, const Vector &angularvel)
- virtual void [GetVelocity](#) (Vector &linearvel, Vector &angularvel) const
- const std::list< [GEOMPROPERTIES](#) > & [GetGeometries](#) () const  
*returns a list of all the geometry objects.*
- virtual void [SwapGeometries](#) (std::list< [GEOMPROPERTIES](#) > &listNewGeometries)  
*swaps the current geometries with the new geometries.*
- virtual bool [ValidateContactNormal](#) (const Vector &position, Vector &normal) const
- virtual bool [IsRigidlyAttached](#) (boost::shared\_ptr< [Link](#) const > plink) const  
*returns true if plink is rigidly attached to this link.*
- virtual void [GetRigidlyAttachedLinks](#) (std::vector< boost::shared\_ptr< [Link](#) > &vattachedlinks) const  
*Gets all the rigidly attached links to linkindex, also adds the link to the list.*

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [\\_Update](#) ()  
*Updates the cached information due to changes in the collision data.*

### Protected Attributes

- Transform [\\_t](#)
- TransformMatrix [\\_transMass](#)  
*the 3x3 inertia and center of mass of the link in the link's coordinate system*
- [TRIMESH](#) collision
- std::string [\\_name](#)  
*optional link name*
- std::list< [GEOMPROPERTIES](#) > [\\_listGeomProperties](#)
- bool [\\_bStatic](#)
- bool [\\_bIsEnabled](#)

### 11.30.1 Detailed Description

A rigid body holding all its collision and rendering data.

### 11.30.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.30.2.1 Vector GetCOMOffset () const

##### Returns

center of mass offset in the link's local coordinate frame

#### 11.30.2.2 virtual void GetParentLinks (std::vector< boost::shared\_ptr< Link > > & vParentLinks) const [virtual]

Return all the direct parent links in the kinematics hierarchy of this link.

A parent link is immediately connected to this link by a joint and has a path to the root joint so that it is possible to compute this link's transformation from its parent.

##### Parameters

→ *filled* with the parent links

#### 11.30.2.3 virtual void GetRigidlyAttachedLinks (std::vector< boost::shared\_ptr< Link > > & vattachedlinks) const [virtual]

Gets all the rigidly attached links to linkindex, also adds the link to the list.

##### Parameters

*vattachedlinks* the array to insert all links attached to linkindex with the link itself.

#### 11.30.2.4 virtual void GetVelocity (Vector & linearvel, Vector & angularvel) const [virtual]

get the velocity of the link



**Parameters**

- *linearvel* the translational velocity
- *angularvel* is the rotation axis \* angular speed

**11.30.2.5 virtual bool IsEnabled () const [virtual]**

returns true if the link is enabled.

**See also**

[Enable](#)

**11.30.2.6 virtual bool IsParentLink (boost::shared\_ptr< Link const > *plink*) const [virtual]**

Tests if a link is a direct parent.

**See also**

[GetParentLinks](#)

**Parameters**

- link* The link to test if it is one of the parents of this link.

**11.30.2.7 bool IsStatic () const**

Indicates a static body that does not move with respect to the root link.

Static should be used when an object has infinite mass and shouldn't be affected by physics (including gravity). Collision still works.

**11.30.2.8 virtual void SetForce (const Vector & *force*, const Vector & *pos*, bool *add*) [virtual]**

adds an external force at pos (absolute coords)

**Parameters**

- ← *force* the direction and magnitude of the force
- ← *pos* in the world where the force is getting applied
- ← *add* if true, force is added to previous forces, otherwise it is set

**11.30.2.9 virtual void SetStatic (bool *bStatic*) [virtual]**

sets a link to be static.

Because this can affect the kinematics, it requires the body's internal structures to be recomputed

**11.30.2.10 virtual void SetTorque (const Vector & *torque*, bool *add*) [virtual]**

adds torque to a body (absolute coords)

**Parameters**

- add* if true, torque is added to previous torques, otherwise it is set

**11.30.2.11 virtual void SetTransform (const Transform & *transform*) [virtual]**

Sets the transform of the link regardless of kinematics.

**Parameters**

- ← *t* the new transformation

**11.30.2.12 virtual void SetVelocity (const Vector & *linearvel*, const Vector & *angularvel*) [virtual]**

forces the velocity of the link

**Parameters**

- ← *linearvel* the translational velocity
- ← *angularvel* is the rotation axis \* angular speed

**11.30.2.13 virtual void SwapGeometries (std::list< GEOMPROPERTIES > & listNewGeometries) [virtual]**

swaps the current geometries with the new geometries.

This gives a user control for dynamically changing the object geometry. Note that the kinbody/robot hash could change.

**11.30.2.14 virtual bool ValidateContactNormal (const Vector & position, Vector & normal) const [virtual]**

validates the contact normal on link and makes sure the normal faces "outside" of the geometry shape it lies on. An exception can be thrown if position is not on a geometry surface

**Parameters**

*position* the position of the contact point specified in the link's coordinate system, assumes it is on a particular geometry

*normal* the unit normal of the contact point specified in the link's coordinate system

**Returns**

true if the normal is changed to face outside of the shape

**11.30.3 Member Data Documentation****11.30.3.1 bool \_bIsEnabled [protected]****See also**

[IsEnabled](#)

**11.30.3.2 bool \_bStatic [protected]****See also**

[IsStatic](#)

### 11.30.3.3 `std::list<GEOMPROPERTIES> _listGeomProperties` [protected]

See also

[GetGeometries](#)

### 11.30.3.4 `Transform_t` [protected]

See also

[GetTransform](#)

### 11.30.3.5 `TRIMESH collision` [protected]

triangles for collision checking, triangles are always the triangulation of the body when it is at the identity transformation

## 11.31 ManageData Class Reference

Access point of the sensor system that manages the body.

Inherited by BodyData.

### Public Member Functions

- virtual XMLReadableConstPtr [GetData](#) () const =0
- virtual KinBody::LinkPtr [GetOffsetLink](#) () const =0
- virtual bool [IsPresent](#) () const =0  
*true if the object is being updated by the system due to its presence in the real environment*
- virtual bool [IsEnabled](#) () const =0  
*true if should update openrave body*
- virtual bool [IsLocked](#) () const =0  
*if true, the vision system should not destroy this object once it stops being present*
- virtual bool [Lock](#) (bool bDoLock)=0  
*set a lock on a particular body*

### 11.31.1 Detailed Description

Access point of the sensor system that manages the body.

### 11.31.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.31.2.1 virtual XMLReadableConstPtr GetData () const [pure virtual]

returns a pointer to the data used to initialize the BODY with AddKinBody. if psize is not NULL, will be filled with the size of the data in bytes This function will be used to restore bodies that were removed

#### 11.31.2.2 virtual KinBody::LinkPtr GetOffsetLink () const [pure virtual]

particular link that sensor system is tracking. All transformations describe this link.

## 11.32 Manipulator Class Reference

Defines a chain of joints for an arm and set of joints for a gripper. Simplifies operating with them.

### Public Member Functions

- virtual Transform [GetTransform](#) () const  
*Return the transformation of the end effector (manipulator frame).*
- virtual bool [SetIkSolver](#) (IkSolverBasePtr iksolver)  
*Sets the ik solver and initializes it with the current manipulator.*
- virtual IkSolverBasePtr [GetIkSolver](#) () const  
*Returns the currently set ik solver.*
- virtual int [GetNumFreeParameters](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [GetFreeParameters](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vFreeParameters) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual LinkPtr [GetBase](#) () const  
*the base used for the iksolver*
- virtual LinkPtr [GetEndEffector](#) () const

*the end effector link (used to define workspace distance)*

- virtual Transform [GetLocalToolTransform](#) () const  
*Return transform with respect to end effector defining the grasp coordinate system.*
- virtual void [SetLocalToolTransform](#) (const Transform &t)  
*Sets the local tool transform with respect to the end effector.*
- virtual Transform [GetGraspTransform](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual const std::vector< int > & [GetGripperIndices](#) () const  
*Gripper indices of the joints that the manipulator controls.*
- virtual const std::vector< int > & [GetArmIndices](#) () const  
*Return the indices of the DOFs of the arm (used for IK, etc).*
- virtual const std::vector< dReal > & [GetClosingDirection](#) () const  
*return the normal direction to move joints to 'close' the hand*
- virtual Vector [GetLocalToolDirection](#) () const  
*direction of palm/head/manipulator used for approaching. defined inside the manipulator/grasp coordinate system*
- virtual Vector [GetDirection](#) () const
- virtual bool [FindIKSolution](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, std::vector< dReal > &solution, int filteroptions) const  
*Find a close solution to the current robot's joint values.*
- virtual bool [FindIKSolutions](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &param, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > &solutions, int filteroptions) const  
*Find all the IK solutions for the given end effector transform.*
- virtual [IkParameterization](#) [GetIkParameterization](#) ([IkParameterizationType](#) iktype) const  
*returns the parameterization of a given IK type for the current manipulator position.*
- virtual [IkParameterization](#) [GetIkParameterization](#) (const [IkParameterization](#) &ikparam) const  
*returns a full parameterization of a given IK type for the current manipulator position using an existing [IkParameterization](#) as the seed.*
- virtual void [GetChildJoints](#) (std::vector< JointPtr > &vjoints) const  
*Get all child joints of the manipulator starting at the pEndEffector link.*

- virtual void [GetChildDOFIndices](#) (std::vector< int > &vdofndices) const  
*Get all child DOF indices of the manipulator starting at the pEndEffector link.*
- virtual bool [IsChildLink](#) (LinkConstPtr plink) const  
*returns true if a link is part of the child links of the manipulator.*
- virtual void [GetChildLinks](#) (std::vector< LinkPtr > &vlinks) const  
*Get all child links of the manipulator starting at pEndEffector link.*
- virtual void [GetIndependentLinks](#) (std::vector< LinkPtr > &vlinks) const  
*Get all links that are independent of the arm and gripper joints.*
- virtual bool [CheckEndEffectorCollision](#) (const Transform &tEE, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr()) const  
*Checks collision with only the gripper given its end-effector transform. Ignores disabled links.*
- virtual bool [CheckIndependentCollision](#) (CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr()) const  
*Checks collision with the environment with all the independent links of the robot. Ignores disabled links.*
- virtual bool [IsGrabbing](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body) const  
*return true if the body is being grabbed by any link on this manipulator*
- virtual void [CalculateJacobian](#) (boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &mjacobian) const  
*computes the jacobian of the manipulator arm indices from the current manipulator frame origin.*
- virtual void [CalculateRotationJacobian](#) (boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &mjacobian) const  
*computes the quaternion jacobian of the manipulator arm indices from the current manipulator frame rotation.*
- virtual void [CalculateAngularVelocityJacobian](#) (boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &mjacobian) const  
*computes the angule axis jacobian of the manipulator arm indices.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetStructureHash](#) () const  
*Return hash of just the manipulator definition.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetKinematicsStructureHash](#) () const

*Return hash of all kinematics information that involves solving the inverse kinematics equations.*

### Protected Attributes

- `std::vector< std::string > _vgripperjointnames`  
*names of the gripper joints*

### 11.32.1 Detailed Description

Defines a chain of joints for an arm and set of joints for a gripper. Simplifies operating with them.

### 11.32.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.32.2.1 `virtual bool CheckEndEffectorCollision (const Transform & tEE, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr ()) const [virtual]`

Checks collision with only the gripper given its end-effector transform. Ignores disabled links.

#### Parameters

*tEE* the end effector transform  
→ *report* [optional] collision report

#### Returns

true if a collision occurred

#### 11.32.2.2 `virtual bool CheckIndependentCollision (CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr ()) const [virtual]`

Checks collision with the environment with all the independent links of the robot. Ignores disabled links.



**Parameters**

→ *report* [optional] collision report

**Returns**

true if a collision occurred

**11.32.2.3** `virtual bool FindIKSolution (const IkParameterization & param, std::vector< dReal > & solution, int filteroptions) const [virtual]`

Find a close solution to the current robot's joint values.

The function is a wrapper around the IkSolver interface. Note that the solution returned is not guaranteed to be the closest solution. In order to compute that, will have to compute all the ik solutions using FindIKSolutions.

**Parameters**

*param* The transformation of the end-effector in the global coord system

*solution* Will be of size `GetArmIndices().size()` and contain the best solution

← *filteroptions* A bitmask of `IkFilterOptions` values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.

**11.32.2.4** `virtual bool FindIKSolutions (const IkParameterization & param, std::vector< std::vector< dReal > > & solutions, int filteroptions) const [virtual]`

Find all the IK solutions for the given end effector transform.

**Parameters**

*param* The transformation of the end-effector in the global coord system

*solutions* An array of all solutions, each element in solutions is of size `GetArmIndices().size()`

← *filteroptions* A bitmask of `IkFilterOptions` values controlling what is checked for each ik solution.

**11.32.2.5** `virtual const std::vector<int>& GetArmIndices () const`  
**[virtual]**

Return the indices of the DOFs of the arm (used for IK, etc).

Usually the DOF indices from pBase to pEndEffector

**11.32.2.6** `virtual void GetChildLinks (std::vector< LinkPtr > & vlinks) const`  
**[virtual]**

Get all child links of the manipulator starting at pEndEffector link.

The child links do not include the arm links.

**11.32.2.7** `virtual Vector GetDirection () const` **[virtual]**

**11.32.2.8** `virtual bool GetFreeParameters (std::vector< dReal > & vFreeParameters) const` **[virtual]**

**11.32.2.9** `virtual Transform GetGraspTransform () const` **[virtual]**

**11.32.2.10** `virtual IkParameterization GetIkParameterization (const IkParameterization & ikparam) const` **[virtual]**

returns a full parameterization of a given IK type for the current manipulator position using an existing [IkParameterization](#) as the seed.

Ideally plugging the returned ik parameterization into FindIkSolution should return the a manipulator configuration such that a new call to GetIkParameterization returns the same values.

### Parameters

*ikparam* Some IK types like Lookat3D and TranslationLocalGlobal6D set con-

straints in the global coordinate system of the manipulator. Because these values are not stored in manipulator itself, they have to be passed in through an existing [IkParameterization](#).

#### 11.32.2.11 virtual IkParameterization GetIkParameterization (IkParameterizationType *iktype*) const [virtual]

returns the parameterization of a given IK type for the current manipulator position.

Ideally plugging the returned ik parameterization into FindIkSolution should return the a manipulator configuration such that a new call to GetIkParameterization returns the same values. In other words:

```

    ikparam = manip->GetIkParameterization(iktype);
    ... move robot
    std::vector<dReal> sol;
    if( FindIKSolution(ikparam,sol, filteroptions) ) {
        manip->GetRobot()->SetActiveDOFs(manip->GetArmIndices());
        manip->GetRobot()->SetActiveDOFValues(sol);
        BOOST_ASSERT( dist(manip->GetIkParameterization(iktype), ikparam)
    <= epsilon );
    }

```

#### Parameters

*iktype* the type of parameterization to request

#### 11.32.2.12 virtual void GetIndependentLinks (std::vector< LinkPtr > & *vlinks*) const [virtual]

Get all links that are independent of the arm and gripper joints.

In other words, returns all links not on the path from the base to the end effector and not children of the end effector. The base and all links rigidly attached to it are also returned.

#### 11.32.2.13 virtual const std::string& GetKinematicsStructureHash () const [virtual]

Return hash of all kinematics information that involves solving the inverse kinematics equations.

This includes joint axes, joint positions, and final grasp transform. Hash is used to cache the solvers.

**11.32.2.14** `virtual int GetNumFreeParameters () const` **[virtual]**

**11.32.2.15** `virtual Transform GetTransform () const` **[virtual]**

Return the transformation of the end effector (manipulator frame).  
All inverse kinematics and grasping queries are specifying this frame.

**11.32.2.16** `virtual bool IsChildLink (LinkConstPtr plink) const` **[virtual]**

returns true if a link is part of the child links of the manipulator.  
The child links do not include the arm links.

**11.32.2.17** `virtual bool SetIkSolver (IkSolverBasePtr iksolver)` **[virtual]**

Sets the ik solver and initializes it with the current manipulator.  
Due to complications with translation, rotation, direction, and ray ik, the ik solver should take into account the grasp transform (`_tLocalTool`) internally. The actual ik primitives are transformed into the base frame only.

**11.32.2.18** `virtual void SetLocalToolTransform (const Transform & t)`  
**[virtual]**

Sets the local tool transform with respect to the end effector.  
Because this call will change manipulator hash, it resets the loaded IK and sets the `Prop_RobotManipulatorTool` message.

## 11.33 ManipulatorIKGoalSampler Class Reference

Samples numsamples of solutions and each solution to vsolutions.

### 11.33.1 Detailed Description

Samples numsamples of solutions and each solution to vsolutions.

#### Parameters

- nummaxsamples* the max samples to query from a particular workspace goal.  
This does not necessarily mean every goal will have this many samples.
- nummaxtries* number of attempts to return a goal per Sample call.
- fsampleprob* The probability to attempt to sample a goal

## 11.34 MIMIC Struct Reference

Holds mimic information about position, velocity, and acceleration of one axis of the joint.

#### Public Attributes

- `std::vector< DOFFormat > _vdoffformat`  
*the format of the values the equation takes order is important.*
- `std::vector< DOFHierarchy > _vmimicdofs`  
*all dof indices that the equations depends on. DOFHierarchy::dofindex can repeat*
- `std::vector< boost::shared_ptr< FunctionParserBase< dReal > > > _accelfns`  
*the velocity and acceleration partial derivatives with respect to each of the values in \_vdoffformat*
- `boost::array< std::string, 3 > _equations`  
*the original equations*

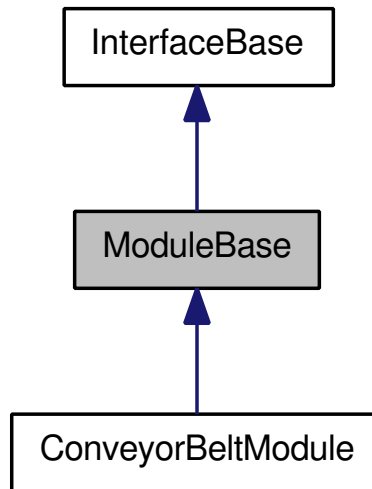
### 11.34.1 Detailed Description

Holds mimic information about position, velocity, and acceleration of one axis of the joint. In every array, [0] is position, [1] is velocity, [2] is acceleration.

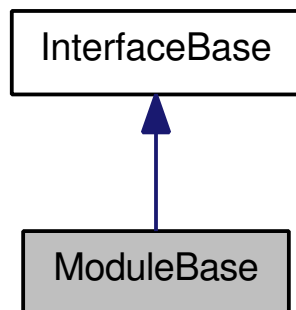
## 11.35 ModuleBase Class Reference

[interface] A loadable module of user code meant to solve a specific domain. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Module Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for ModuleBase:



Collaboration diagram for ModuleBase:



#### Public Member Functions

- virtual int [main](#) (const std::string &cmd)
- virtual void [Destroy](#) ()  
*called when problem gets unloaded from environment*
- virtual void [Reset](#) ()  
*called when environment is reset*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

#### 11.35.1 Detailed Description

[interface] A loadable module of user code meant to solve a specific domain. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Module Concepts](#).

#### Examples:

[orconveyormovement.cpp](#), [orpythonbinding.cpp](#), and [plugin.cpp](#).

#### 11.35.2 Member Function Documentation

##### 11.35.2.1 `virtual int main (const std::string & cmd) [virtual]`

gets called every time a problem instance is loaded to initialize the problem. Robots might not necessarily be set before this function call returns 0 on success

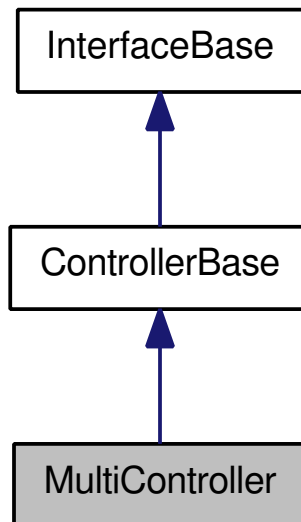
#### Examples:

[plugin.cpp](#).

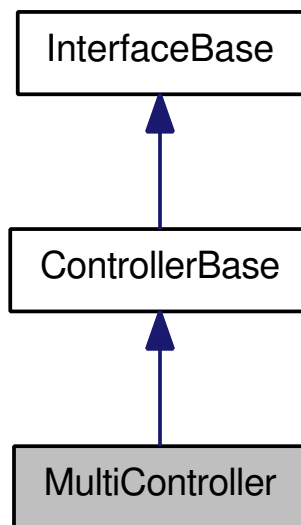
## 11.36 MultiController Class Reference

controller that manage multiple controllers, allows users to easily set multiple controllers for one robot.

Inheritance diagram for MultiController:



Collaboration diagram for MultiController:





## Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [Init](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int nControlTransformation)  
*removes all controllers. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool [AttachController](#) (ControllerBasePtr controller, const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int nControlTransformation)  
*initializes and adds a controller, must be called after being initialized. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual void [RemoveController](#) (ControllerBasePtr controller)  
*removes a controller from being managed. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual ControllerBasePtr [GetController](#) (int dof) const  
*gets the controller responsible for dof (in the robot). If dof < 0, returns the transform controller. [multi-thread safe]*
- virtual bool [IsDone](#) ()  
*returns true only if all controllers return true*
- virtual dReal [GetTime](#) () const  
*return the maximum time*
- virtual void [GetTorque](#) (std::vector< dReal > &torque) const

### 11.36.1 Detailed Description

controller that manage multiple controllers, allows users to easily set multiple controllers for one robot. The class also make sure individual controllers do not have colliding DOF. It ignores the

#### Examples:

[ormulticontrol.cpp](#).

### 11.36.2 Member Function Documentation

- 11.36.2.1** virtual bool [AttachController](#) (ControllerBasePtr *controller*, const std::vector< int > &*dofindices*, int *nControlTransformation*)  
[virtual]

initializes and adds a controller, must be called after being initialized. **[multi-thread safe]**

#### Parameters

*controller* the controller to init  
*dofindices* robot dof indices to control

#### Exceptions

*openrave\_exception* if the controller dofs interfere with current set dofs, will throw an exception

#### 11.36.2.2 `virtual void GetTorque (std::vector< dReal > & torque) const` **[virtual]**

get torque/current/strain values

#### Parameters

*torque* [out] - returns the current torque/current/strain exerted by each of the dofs from outside forces. The feedforward and friction terms should be subtracted out already

Reimplemented from [ControllerBase](#).

## 11.37 `obb< T >` Class Template Reference

An oriented bounding box.

### 11.37.1 Detailed Description

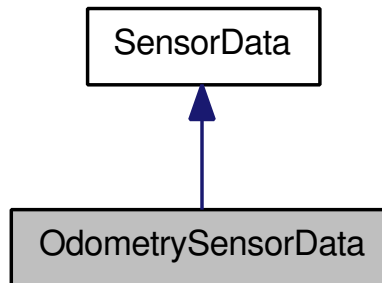
`template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::obb< T >`

An oriented bounding box.

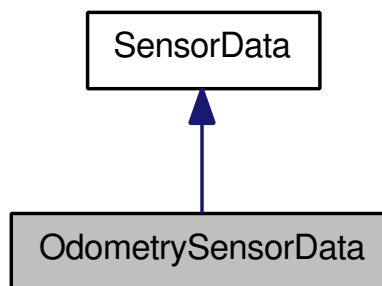
## 11.38 OdometrySensorData Class Reference

odometry data storing full 6D pose and velocity

Inheritance diagram for OdometrySensorData:



Collaboration diagram for OdometrySensorData:



#### Public Attributes

- Transform [pose](#)  
*measured pose*
- Vector [angular\\_velocity](#)  
*measured velocity*
- `boost::array< dReal, 36 >` [pose\\_covariance](#)  
*Row major of 6x6 matrix about linear x, y, z axes.*
- `boost::array< dReal, 36 >` [velocity\\_covariance](#)  
*Row major of 6x6 matrix about rotational x, y, z axes.*

### 11.38.1 Detailed Description

odometry data storing full 6D pose and velocity

## 11.39 openrave\_exception Class Reference

Exception that all [OpenRAVE](#) internal methods throw; the error codes are held in [OpenRAVEErrorCode](#).

Inherits std::exception.

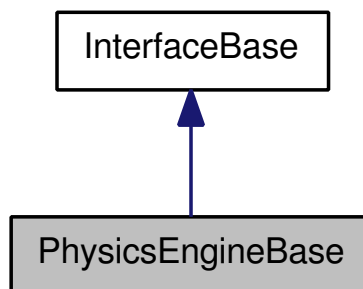
### 11.39.1 Detailed Description

Exception that all [OpenRAVE](#) internal methods throw; the error codes are held in [OpenRAVEErrorCode](#).

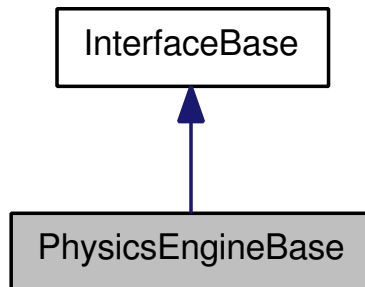
## 11.40 PhysicsEngineBase Class Reference

**[interface]** The physics engine interfaces supporting simulations and dynamics. See [Physics Engine Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for PhysicsEngineBase:



Collaboration diagram for PhysicsEngineBase:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [SetPhysicsOptions](#) (int physicsoptions)=0  
*Set basic physics engine using the PhysicsEngineOptions enum.*
- virtual bool [SetPhysicsOptions](#) (std::ostream &sout, std::istream &sinput)  
[RAVE\\_DEPRECATED=0](#)
- virtual bool [InitEnvironment](#) ()=0  
*called when environment sets this physics engine, engine assumes responsibility for [KinBody::\\_pPhysicsData](#)*
- virtual void [DestroyEnvironment](#) ()=0
- virtual bool [InitKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr body)=0  
*notified when a new body has been initialized in the environment*
- virtual bool [SetLinkVelocity](#) (KinBody::LinkPtr link, const Vector &linearvel, const Vector &angularvel)=0  
*Force the body velocity of a link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.*
- virtual bool [SetLinkVelocities](#) (KinBodyPtr body, const std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > &velocities)=0  
*Sets the velocities for each link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.*
- virtual bool [GetLinkVelocity](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr link, Vector &linearvel, Vector &angularvel)=0  
*Gets the velocity of a link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.*

- virtual bool [GetLinkVelocities](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body, std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > &velocities)=0  
*Sets the velocities for each link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.*
- virtual bool [SetBodyForce](#) (KinBody::LinkPtr link, const Vector &force, const Vector &position, bool bAdd) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual bool [SetBodyTorque](#) (KinBody::LinkPtr link, const Vector &torque, bool bAdd) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual bool [AddJointTorque](#) (KinBody::JointPtr pjoint, const std::vector< dReal > &pTorques) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual bool [GetLinkForceTorque](#) (KinBody::LinkConstPtr link, Vector &force, Vector &torque) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual void [SetGravity](#) (const Vector &gravity) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*set the gravity direction*
- virtual void [SimulateStep](#) (dReal fTimeElapsed)=0
- virtual bool [GetBodyVelocity](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body, std::vector< Vector > &vLinearVelocities, std::vector< Vector > &vAngularVelocities) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

#### 11.40.1 Detailed Description

[interface] The physics engine interfaces supporting simulations and dynamics. See [Physics Engine Concepts](#).

#### 11.40.2 Member Function Documentation

- 11.40.2.1** virtual bool [AddJointTorque](#) (KinBody::JointPtr *pjoint*, const std::vector< dReal > &*pTorques*) [**virtual**]

adds torque to a joint

#### Parameters

*pjoint* - the joint the torque is added to

*pTorques* - the torques added to the joint. Pointer because the joint dof can be greater than 1.

#### 11.40.2.2 virtual void DestroyEnvironment () [pure virtual]

called when environment switches to a different physics engine has to clear/deallocate any memory associated with [KinBody::\\_pPhysicsData](#)

#### 11.40.2.3 virtual bool GetBodyVelocity (KinBodyConstPtr *body*, std::vector< Vector > & *vLinearVelocities*, std::vector< Vector > & *vAngularVelocities*) [virtual]

#### 11.40.2.4 virtual bool GetLinkForceTorque (KinBody::LinkConstPtr *link*, Vector & *force*, Vector & *torque*) [virtual]

##### Parameters

- ← *link* a constant pointer to a link
- *force* current force on the COM of the link
- *torque* current torque on the COM of the link

#### 11.40.2.5 virtual bool GetLinkVelocities (KinBodyConstPtr *body*, std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > & *velocities*) [pure virtual]

Sets the velocities for each link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.

##### Parameters

- *velocities* the linear and angular (axis \* angular\_speed) velocities for each link.

#### 11.40.2.6 virtual bool GetLinkVelocity (KinBody::LinkConstPtr *link*, Vector & *linearvel*, Vector & *angularvel*) [pure virtual]

Gets the velocity of a link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.

**Parameters**

- *linearvel* - linear velocity of base link
- *angularvel* - angular velocity rotation\_axis\*theta\_dot

**11.40.2.7 virtual bool SetBodyForce (KinBody::LinkPtr *link*, const Vector & *force*, const Vector & *position*, bool *bAdd*) [virtual]**

add a force at a particular position in a link

**Parameters**

- force* the direction and magnitude of the force
- position* in the world where the force is getting applied
- bAdd* if true, force is added to previous forces, otherwise it is set

**11.40.2.8 virtual bool SetBodyTorque (KinBody::LinkPtr *link*, const Vector & *torque*, bool *bAdd*) [virtual]**

adds torque to a body (absolute coords)

**Parameters**

- link* the link to add a torque to
- torque* torque vector
- bAdd* if true, torque is added to previous torques, otherwise it is set

**11.40.2.9 virtual void SetGravity (const Vector & *gravity*) [virtual]**

set the gravity direction

**Parameters**

- ← *joint*
- *force* current accumulated force on the COM of the link
- *torque* current accumulated torque on the COM of the link



**11.40.2.10** `virtual bool SetLinkVelocities (KinBodyPtr body, const std::vector< std::pair< Vector, Vector > > & velocities) [pure virtual]`

Sets the velocities for each link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.

#### Parameters

- ← *body* the body to query velocities from.
- ← *velocities* sets the linear and angular (axis \* angular\_speed) velocities for each link

**11.40.2.11** `virtual bool SetLinkVelocity (KinBody::LinkPtr link, const Vector & linearvel, const Vector & angularvel) [pure virtual]`

Force the body velocity of a link, velocities correspond to the link's coordinate system origin.

#### Parameters

- ← *link* link to set velocities.
- ← *linearvel* linear velocity of base link
- ← *angularvel* angular velocity rotation\_axis\*theta\_dot

**11.40.2.12** `virtual bool SetPhysicsOptions (std::ostream & sout, std::istream & sinput) [pure virtual]`

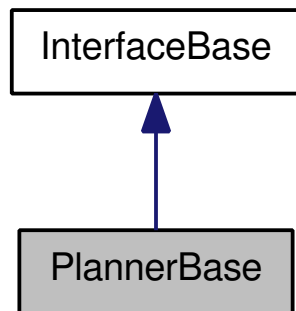
**11.40.2.13** `virtual void SimulateStep (dReal fTimeElapsed) [pure virtual]`

dynamically simulate system for fTimeElapsed seconds add torques to the joints of the body. Torques disappear after one timestep of simulation

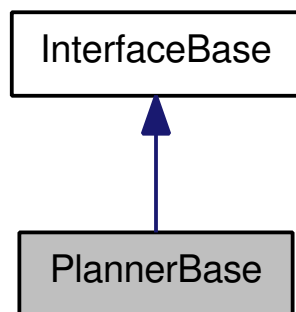
## 11.41 PlannerBase Class Reference

[**interface**] Planner interface that generates trajectories for target objects to follow through the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Planner Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for PlannerBase:



Collaboration diagram for PlannerBase:



## Classes

- class [PlannerParameters](#)  
*Describes a common and serializable interface for planning parameters.*
- class [PlannerProgress](#)  
*Planner progress information passed to each callback function.*

## Public Types

- typedef `boost::function< PlannerAction(const PlannerProgress &)>` [PlanCallbackFn](#)  
*Callback function during planner execute.*

**Public Member Functions**

- virtual bool [InitPlan](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, PlannerParametersConstPtr params)=0  
*Setup scene, robot, and properties of the plan, and reset all internal structures.*
- virtual bool [InitPlan](#) (RobotBasePtr robot, std::istream &isParameters)  
*Setup scene, robot, and properties of the plan, and reset all structures with pparams.*
- virtual [PlannerStatus PlanPath](#) (TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj)=0  
*Executes the main planner trying to solve for the goal condition.*
- virtual [PlannerStatus PlanPath](#) (TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj, boost::shared\_ptr< std::ostream > pOutputStream) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual PlannerParametersConstPtr [GetParameters](#) () const =0  
*return the internal parameters of the planner*
- virtual UserDataPtr [RegisterPlanCallback](#) (const [PlanCallbackFn](#) &callbackfn)  
*register a function that is called periodically during the plan loop.*

**Static Public Member Functions**

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()

**Protected Member Functions**

- virtual [PlannerStatus \\_ProcessPostPlanners](#) (RobotBasePtr probot, TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj)  
*Calls a planner to optimizes the trajectory path.*
- virtual [PlannerAction \\_CallCallbacks](#) (const [PlannerProgress](#) &progress)  
*Calls the registered callbacks in order and returns immediately when an action other than PA\_None is returned.*

**11.41.1 Detailed Description**

**[interface]** Planner interface that generates trajectories for target objects to follow through the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Planner Concepts](#).

### 11.41.2 Member Typedef Documentation

#### 11.41.2.1 `typedef boost::function<PlannerAction(const PlannerProgress&)> PlanCallbackFn`

Callback function during planner execute.

##### Parameters

*progress* planner progress information

### 11.41.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.41.3.1 `virtual PlannerAction _CallCallbacks (const PlannerProgress & progress) [protected, virtual]`

Calls the registered callbacks in order and returns immediately when an action other than PA\_None is returned.

##### Parameters

*progress* planner progress information

#### 11.41.3.2 `virtual PlannerStatus _ProcessPostPlanners (RobotBasePtr probot, TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj) [protected, virtual]`

Calls a planner to optimizes the trajectory path.

The [PlannerParameters](#) structure passed into the optimization planner is constructed with the same freespace constraints as this planner. This function should always be called in PlanPath to post-process the trajectory.

##### Parameters

*probot* the robot this trajectory is meant for, also uses the robot for checking collisions.

*ptraj* Initial trajectory to be smoothed is inputted. If optimization path succeeds, final trajectory output is set in this variable. The trajectory is for the configuration degrees of freedom defined by the planner parameters.

### 11.41.3.3 static InterfaceType GetInterfaceTypeStatic () [static]

#### Returns

the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)

### 11.41.3.4 virtual bool InitPlan (RobotBasePtr robot, std::istream & isParameters) [virtual]

Setup scene, robot, and properties of the plan, and reset all structures with pparams.

#### Parameters

*robot* main robot to be used for planning

*isParameters* The serialized form of the parameters. By default, this exists to allow third parties to pass information to planners without explicitly knowing the format/internal structures used

#### Returns

true if plan is initialized successfully and initial conditions are satisfied.

### 11.41.3.5 virtual bool InitPlan (RobotBasePtr robot, PlannerParametersConstPtr params) [pure virtual]

Setup scene, robot, and properties of the plan, and reset all internal structures.

#### Parameters

*robot* main robot to be used for planning

*params* The parameters of the planner, any class derived from [PlannerParameters](#) can be passed. The planner should copy these parameters for future instead of storing the pointer.

### 11.41.3.6 virtual PlannerStatus PlanPath (TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj, boost::shared\_ptr< std::ostream > pOutputStream) [virtual]

### 11.41.3.7 virtual PlannerStatus PlanPath (TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj) [pure virtual]

Executes the main planner trying to solve for the goal condition.

Fill ptraj with the trajectory of the planned path that the robot needs to execute

#### Parameters

*ptraj* The output trajectory the robot has to follow in order to successfully complete the plan. If this planner is a path optimizer, the trajectory can be used as an input for generating a smoother path. The trajectory is for the configuration degrees of freedom defined by the planner parameters.

#### Returns

the status that the planner returned in.

### 11.41.3.8 virtual UserDataPtr RegisterPlanCallback (const PlanCallbackFn & callbackfn) [virtual]

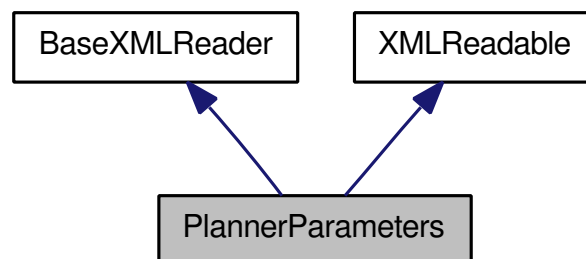
register a function that is called periodically during the plan loop.

Allows the calling process to control the behavior of the planner from a high-level perspective

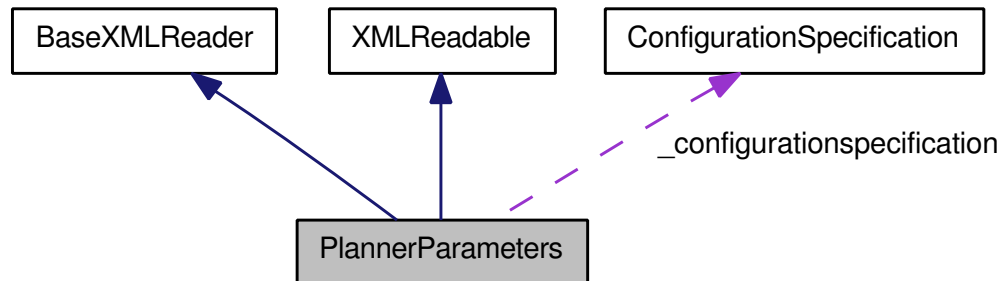
## 11.42 PlannerParameters Class Reference

Describes a common and serializable interface for planning parameters.

Inheritance diagram for PlannerParameters:



Collaboration diagram for PlannerParameters:



### Public Types

- `typedef boost::function< dReal(const std::vector< dReal > &)> CostFn`  
*Cost function on the state pace (optional).*
- `typedef boost::function< dReal(const std::vector< dReal > &)> GoalFn`  
*Goal heuristic function.(optional).*
- `typedef boost::function< dReal(const std::vector< dReal > &, const std::vector< dReal > &)> DistMetricFn`  
*Distance metric between configuration spaces (optional).*
- `typedef boost::function< bool(const std::vector< dReal > &, const std::vector< dReal > &, IntervalType, PlannerBase::ConfigurationListPtr)> CheckPathConstraintFn`  
*Checks that all the constraints are satisfied between two configurations.*
- `typedef boost::function< bool(std::vector< dReal > &)> SampleFn`  
*Samples a random configuration (mandatory).*
- `typedef boost::function< bool(std::vector< dReal > &)> SampleGoalFn`  
*Samples a valid goal configuration (optional).*
- `typedef boost::function< bool(std::vector< dReal > &)> SampleInitialFn`  
*Samples a valid initial configuration (optional).*
- `typedef boost::function< bool(std::vector< dReal > &, const std::vector< dReal > &, dReal)> SampleNeighFn`  
*Returns a random configuration around a neighborhood (optional).*

- typedef boost::function< void(const std::vector< dReal > &)> [SetStateFn](#)  
*Sets the state of the robot. Default is active robot joints (mandatory).*
- typedef boost::function< void(std::vector< dReal > &)> [GetStateFn](#)  
*Gets the state of the robot. Default is active robot joints (mandatory).*
- typedef boost::function< void(std::vector< dReal > &, const std::vector< dReal > &)> [DiffStateFn](#)  
*Computes the difference of two states.*
- typedef boost::function< bool(std::vector< dReal > &, const std::vector< dReal > &, int)> [NeighStateFn](#)  
*Adds a delta state to a current state, acting like a next-nearest-neighbor function along a given direction.*

### Public Member Functions

- virtual [PlannerParameters](#) & operator= (const [PlannerParameters](#) &r)  
*Attempts to copy data from one set of parameters to another in the safest manner.*
- virtual void [SetRobotActiveJoints](#) (RobotBasePtr robot)  
*sets up the planner parameters to use the active joints of the robot*
- virtual int [GetDOF](#) () const  
*Return the degrees of freedom of the planning configuration space.*

### Public Attributes

- [ConfigurationSpecification](#) \_configurationspecification  
*the configuration specification in which the planner works in. This specification is passed to the trajectory creation modules.*
- std::vector< dReal > [vinitialconfig](#)
- std::vector< dReal > [\\_vConfigLowerLimit](#)  
*the absolute limits of the configuration space.*
- std::vector< dReal > [\\_vConfigVelocityLimit](#)  
*the absolute velocity limits of each DOF of the configuration space.*
- std::vector< dReal > [\\_vConfigAccelerationLimit](#)



*the absolute acceleration limits of each DOF of the configuration space.*

- `std::vector< dReal > _vConfigResolution`  
*the discretization resolution of each dimension of the configuration space*
- `dReal _fStepLength`  
*a discretization between the path that connects two configurations*
- `int _nMaxIterations`  
*maximum number of iterations before the planner gives up. If 0 or less, planner chooses best iterations.*
- `std::string _sPostProcessingPlanner`  
*Specifies the planner that will perform the post-processing path smoothing before returning.*
- `std::string _sPostProcessingParameters`  
*The serialized planner parameters to pass to the path optimizer.*
- `std::string _sExtraParameters`  
*Extra parameters data that does not fit within this planner parameters structure, but is still important not to lose all the information.*

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual bool `serialize` (std::ostream &O) const  
*output the planner parameters in a string (in XML format) don't use `PlannerParameters` as a tag!*

### Friends

- OPENRAVE\_API std::ostream & `operator<<` (std::ostream &O, const `PlannerParameters` &v)  
*outputs the data and surrounds it with*
- OPENRAVE\_API std::istream & `operator>>` (std::istream &I, `PlannerParameters` &v)  
*expects*

- `std::stringstream _ss`  
*holds the data read by characters*
- `std::vector< std::string > _vXMLParameters`  
*all the top-level XML parameter tags (lower case) that are handled by this parameter structure, should be registered in the constructor*

### 11.42.1 Detailed Description

Describes a common and serializable interface for planning parameters. The class is serializable to XML, so can be loaded from file or passed around the network. If extra parameters need to be specified, derive from this class and

- add the extra tags to `PlannerParameters::_vXMLParameters`
- override `PlannerParameters::startElement` and `PlannerParameters::endElement` for processing
- possibly override the `PlannerParameters::characters`

Also allows the parameters and descriptions to be serialized to reStructuredText for documentation purposes.

#### Examples:

`orplanning_planner.cpp`.

### 11.42.2 Member Typedef Documentation

#### 11.42.2.1 `typedef boost::function<bool (const std::vector<dReal>&, const std::vector<dReal>&, IntervalType, PlannerBase::ConfigurationListPtr)> CheckPathConstraintFn`

Checks that all the constraints are satisfied between two configurations.

The simplest and most fundamental constraint is line-collision checking. The robot goes from `q0` to `q1`.

```
success = _checkpathconstraints(q0,q1,interval,configurations)
```

When called, `q0` is guaranteed to be set on the robot. The function returns true if the path to `q1` satisfies all the constraints of the planner. If `q0==q1`, and `interval==IT_OpenStart` or `IT_OpenEnd`, then only one configuration should be checked. It is recommended to use `IT_OpenStart`. Because this function can internally use `neighstatefn`, need to make sure that `Q0->Q1` is going from initial to goal direction.

**Parameters**

*q0* is the configuration the robot is coming from (currently set).

*q1* is the configuration the robot should move to.

*interval* Specifies whether to check the end points of the interval for constraints

*configurations* Optional argument that will hold the intermediate configurations checked between *q0* and *q1* configurations. The appended configurations will be all valid and in free space. They are appended after the items already stored on the list.

#### 11.42.2.2 `typedef boost::function<dReal(const std::vector<dReal>&)> CostFn`

Cost function on the state space (optional).

`cost = _costfn(config)`

**Parameters**

*cost* the cost of being in the current state

#### 11.42.2.3 `typedef boost::function<void (std::vector<dReal>&,const std::vector<dReal>&)> DiffStateFn`

Computes the difference of two states.

`_diffstatefn(q1,q2) -> q1 - q2`

An explicit difference function is necessary for correct interpolation when there are circular joints. Default is regular subtraction.

#### 11.42.2.4 `typedef boost::function<dReal(const std::vector<dReal>&, const std::vector<dReal>&)> DistMetricFn`

Distance metric between configuration spaces (optional).

`distmetric(config1,config2)`

Two configurations are considered the same when function returns 0.

#### 11.42.2.5 `typedef boost::function<dReal(const std::vector<dReal>&)> GoalFn`

Goal heuristic function.(optional).

distance = `_goalfn(config)`

Goal is complete when returns 0

##### Parameters

*distance* - distance to closest goal

#### 11.42.2.6 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::vector<dReal>&,const std::vector<dReal>&, int)> NeighStateFn`

Adds a delta state to a curent state, acting like a next-nearest-neighbor function along a given direction.

success = `_neighstatefn(q,qdelta,fromgoal) -> q = Filter(q+qdelta)`

##### Parameters

*q* the current state

*qdelta* the delta to add

*fromgoal* 1 if q is coming from a goal state, 0 if it is coming from an initial state

In RRTs this is used for the extension operation. The new state is stored in the first parameter q. Note that the function can also add a filter to the final destination (like projecting onto a constraint manifold).

#### 11.42.2.7 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::vector<dReal>&)> SampleFn`

Samples a random configuration (mandatory).

The dimension of the returned sample is the dimension of the configuration space.

success = `samplefn(newsample)`

#### 11.42.2.8 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::vector<dReal>&)> SampleGoalFn`

Samples a valid goal configuration (optional).

If valid, the function should be called at every iteration. Any type of sampling probabilities and conditions can be encoded inside the function. The dimension of the returned sample is the dimension of the configuration space. success = samplegoalfn(newsample)

#### 11.42.2.9 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::vector<dReal>&)> SampleInitialFn`

Samples a valid initial configuration (optional).

If valid, the function should be called at every iteration. Any type of sampling probabilities and conditions can be encoded inside the function. The dimension of the returned sample is the dimension of the configuration space. success = sampleinitialfn(newsample)

#### 11.42.2.10 `typedef boost::function<bool (std::vector<dReal>&, const std::vector<dReal>&, dReal)> SampleNeighFn`

Returns a random configuration around a neighborhood (optional).

\_sampleneighfn(newsample,pCurSample,fRadius)

#### Parameters

*pCurSample* - the neighborhood to sample around

*fRadius* - specifies the max distance of sampling. The higher the value, the farther the samples will go The distance metric can be arbitrary, but is usually PlannerParameters::pdistmetric.

#### Returns

if sample was successfully generated return true, otherwise false

### 11.42.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.42.3.1 `virtual PlannerParameters& operator= (const PlannerParameters &r) [virtual]`

Attempts to copy data from one set of parameters to another in the safest manner.

First serializes the data of the right hand into a string, then initializes the current parameters via >> pointers to functions are copied directly

#### 11.42.4 Friends And Related Function Documentation

##### 11.42.4.1 OPENRAVE\_API std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream & *O*, const PlannerParameters & *v*) [friend]

outputs the data and surrounds it with

```
<PlannerParameters>
```

tags

##### 11.42.4.2 OPENRAVE\_API std::istream& operator>> (std::istream & *I*, PlannerParameters & *v*) [friend]

expects

```
<PlannerParameters>
```

to be the first token. Parses stream until

```
</PlannerParameters>
```

reached

#### 11.42.5 Member Data Documentation

##### 11.42.5.1 dReal\_fStepLength

a discretization between the path that connects two configurations

This length represents how dense the samples get distributed across the configuration space. It represents the maximum distance between neighbors when adding new configurations. If 0 or less, planner chooses best step length.

**11.42.5.2 std::string \_sPostProcessingParameters**

The serialized planner parameters to pass to the path optimizer.

For example: `std::stringstream(_sPostProcessingParameters) >> _parameters;`

**11.42.5.3 std::string \_sPostProcessingPlanner**

Specifies the planner that will perform the post-processing path smoothing before returning.

If empty, will not path smooth the returned trajectories (used to measure algorithm time)

**11.42.5.4 std::vector<dReal> vinitialconfig**

to specify multiple initial or goal configurations, put them into the vector in series (note: not all planners support multiple goals)

**11.43 PlannerProgress Class Reference**

Planner progress information passed to each callback function.

**11.43.1 Detailed Description**

Planner progress information passed to each callback function.

**11.44 PLUGININFO Class Reference**

Holds all the OpenRAVE-specific information provided by a plugin.

**Public Attributes**

- `std::map< InterfaceType, std::vector< std::string > >` [interfacenames](#)  
*offered interfaces*
- `int` [version](#)  
*OPENRAVE\_VERSION.*

### 11.44.1 Detailed Description

Holds all the OpenRAVE-specific information provided by a plugin. [PLUGININFO](#) has a hash computed for it to validate its size and type before having a plugin fill it.

#### Examples:

[customreader.cpp](#), and [plugin.cpp](#).

## 11.45 Point Class Reference

### 11.45.1 Detailed Description

## 11.46 RaveCameraIntrinsics< T > Class Template Reference

intrinsic parameters for a camera.

#### Public Attributes

- `std::string` [distortion\\_model](#)  
*distortion model of the camera. if left empty, no distortion model is used.*
- `std::vector< T >` [distortion\\_coeffs](#)  
*coefficients of the distortion model*
- `T` [focal\\_length](#)  
*physical focal length distance since focal length cannot be recovered from the intrinsic matrix, but is necessary for determining the lens plane.*

### 11.46.1 Detailed Description

```
template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::RaveCameraIntrinsics< T  
>
```

intrinsic parameters for a camera.

### 11.46.2 Member Data Documentation

#### 11.46.2.1 `std::string` [distortion\\_model](#)



distortion model of the camera. if left empty, no distortion model is used.

Possible values are:

- "plumb\_bob" - Brown. "Decentering Distortion of Lenses", Photometric Engineering, pages 444-462, Vol. 32, No. 3, 1966

## 11.47 RaveTransform< T > Class Template Reference

Affine transformation parameterized with quaterions.

### Public Member Functions

- `RaveVector< T > operator* (const RaveVector< T > &r) const`  
*transform a 3 dim vector*
- `RaveVector< T > rotate (const RaveVector< T > &r) const`  
*transform a vector by the rotation component only*
- `RaveTransform< T > rotate (const RaveTransform< T > &r) const`  
*transform a transform by the rotation component only*
- `RaveTransform< T > operator* (const RaveTransform< T > &r) const`  
*t = this \* r*

### Public Attributes

- `RaveVector< T > trans`  
*rot is a quaternion=(cos(ang/2),axisx\*sin(ang/2),axisy\*sin(ang/2),axisz\*sin(ang/2))*

#### 11.47.1 Detailed Description

`template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::RaveTransform< T >`

Affine transformation parameterized with quaterions.

## 11.48 RaveTransformMatrix< T > Class Template Reference

Affine transformation parameterized with rotation matrices. Scales and shears are not supported.

**Public Member Functions**

- [RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#) [operator\\*](#) (const [RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#) &r)  
const  
*t = this \* r*
- [RaveTransformMatrix< T >](#) [inverse](#) () const  
*being on the safe side, do the full inverse incase someone uses scaling.*

**Public Attributes**

- T m [12]
- [RaveVector< T >](#) trans  
*translation component*

**Friends**

- template<typename U >  
std::ostream & [operator<<](#) (std::ostream &O, const [RaveTransformMatrix< U >](#) &v)  
*serialize in column order! This is the format transformations are passed across the network*
- template<typename U >  
std::istream & [operator>>](#) (std::istream &I, [RaveTransformMatrix< U >](#) &v)  
*de-serialize in column order! This is the format transformations are passed across the network*

**11.48.1 Detailed Description**

**template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::RaveTransformMatrix< T >**

Affine transformation parameterized with rotation matrices. Scales and shears are not supported.

### 11.48.2 Member Data Documentation

#### 11.48.2.1 T m[12]

3x3 rotation matrix. Note that each row is 4 elements long! So row 1 starts at m[4], row 2 at m[8] The reason is to maintain 16 byte alignment when sizeof(T) is 4 bytes

## 11.49 RaveVector< T > Class Template Reference

Vector class containing 4 dimensions.

### Public Member Functions

- template<typename U >  
RaveVector (const U \*pf)  
*note, it only copes 3 values!*
- RaveVector< T > cross (const RaveVector< T > &v) const  
*3 dim cross product, w is not touched*
- template<typename U >  
RaveVector< T > operator^ (const RaveVector< U > &v) const  
*cross product operator*

#### 11.49.1 Detailed Description

template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::RaveVector< T >

Vector class containing 4 dimensions. It is better to use this for a 3 dim vector because it is 16byte aligned and SIMD instructions can be used

## 11.50 ray< T > Class Template Reference

A ray defined by an origin and a direction.

#### 11.50.1 Detailed Description

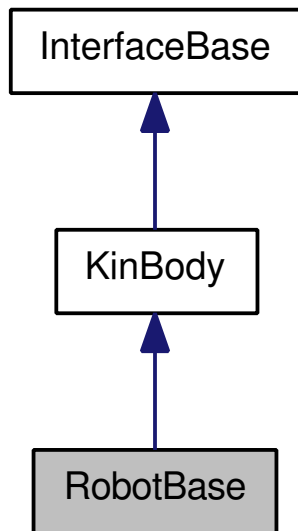
template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::ray< T >

A ray defined by an origin and a direction.

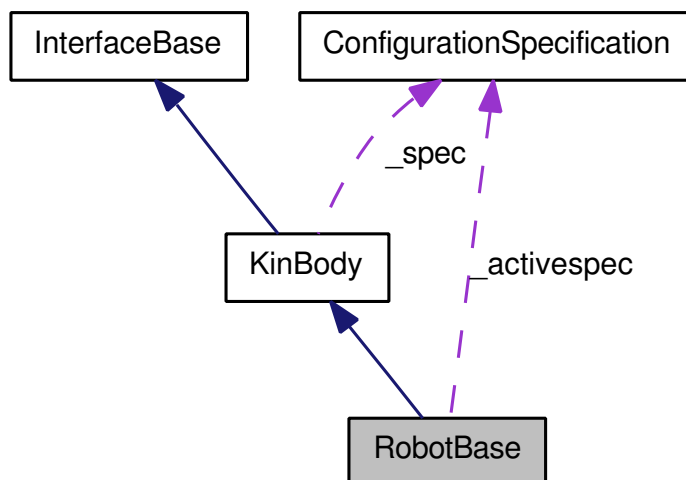
## 11.51 RobotBase Class Reference

**[interface]** A robot is a kinematic body that has attached manipulators, sensors, and controllers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Robot Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for RobotBase:



Collaboration diagram for RobotBase:



## Classes

- class [AttachedSensor](#)  
*Attaches a sensor to a link on the robot.*
- class [Grabbed](#)  
*The information of a currently grabbed body.*
- class [Manipulator](#)  
*Defines a chain of joints for an arm and set of joints for a gripper. Simplifies operating with them.*
- class [RobotStateSaver](#)  
*Helper class derived from KinBodyStateSaver to additionally save robot information.*

## Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [InitFromFile](#) (const std::string &filename, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList()) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [InitFromData](#) (const std::string &data, const AttributesList &atts=AttributesList()) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual std::vector< ManipulatorPtr > & [GetManipulators](#) ()  
*Returns the manipulators of the robot.*
- virtual void [SetTransform](#) (const Transform &trans)  
*Transforms the robot and updates the attached sensors and grabbed bodies.*
- virtual void [SimulationStep](#) (dReal fElapsedTime)  
*Simulate the robot and update the grabbed bodies and attached sensors.*
- virtual bool [CheckSelfCollision](#) (CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr()) const  
*Check if body is self colliding. Links that are joined together are ignored.*
- virtual bool [CheckLinkCollision](#) (int ilinkindex, const Transform &tlinktrans, CollisionReportPtr report=CollisionReportPtr())  
*checks collision of a robot link with the surrounding environment. Attached/Grabbed bodies to this link are also checked for collision.*
- virtual void [Clone](#) (InterfaceBaseConstPtr preference, int cloningoptions)  
*does not clone the grabbed bodies since it requires pointers from other bodies (that might not be initialized yet)*

- virtual bool [IsRobot](#) () const
- virtual const std::string & [GetRobotStructureHash](#) () const
- virtual ControllerBasePtr [GetController](#) () const  
*gets the robot controller*
- virtual bool [SetController](#) (ControllerBasePtr controller, const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int nControlTransformation)  
*set a controller for a robot*
- virtual bool [SetController](#) (ControllerBasePtr controller, const std::string &args)  
[RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- void [GetFullTrajectoryFromActive](#) (TrajectoryBasePtr pfulltraj, TrajectoryBaseConstPtr pActiveTraj, bool bOverwriteTransforms=true) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Grabbing Bodies

A grabbed body becomes part of the robot and its relative pose with respect to a robot's link will be fixed. [KinBody::\\_AttachBody](#) is called for every grabbed body in order to make the grabbed body a part of the robot. Once grabbed, the inter-collisions between the robot and the body are regarded as self-collisions; any outside collisions of the body and the environment are regarded as environment collisions with the robot.

- virtual bool [Grab](#) (KinBodyPtr body, LinkPtr pRobotLinkToGrabWith, const std::set< int > &setRobotLinksToIgnore)  
*Grab the body with the specified link.*
- virtual bool [Grab](#) (KinBodyPtr body, LinkPtr pRobotLinkToGrabWith)  
*Grab a body with the specified link.*
- virtual bool [Grab](#) (KinBodyPtr body, const std::set< int > &setRobotLinksToIgnore)  
*Grabs the body with the active manipulator's end effector.*
- virtual bool [Grab](#) (KinBodyPtr body)  
*Grabs the body with the active manipulator's end effector.*
- virtual void [Release](#) (KinBodyPtr body)  
*Release the body if grabbed.*
- virtual void [ReleaseAllGrabbed](#) ()  
*Release all grabbed bodies.*
- virtual void [RegrabAll](#) ()

- virtual LinkPtr [IsGrabbing](#) (KinBodyConstPtr body) const  
*return the robot link that is currently grabbing the body. If the body is not grabbed, will return an empty pointer.*
- virtual void [GetGrabbed](#) (std::vector< KinBodyPtr > &vbodies) const  
*gets all grabbed bodies of the robot*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*Return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting).*

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [\\_ComputeInternalInformation](#) ()  
*Proprocess the manipulators and sensors and build the specific robot hashes.*
- virtual void [\\_ParametersChanged](#) (int parameters)  
*Called to notify the body that certain groups of parameters have been changed.*

### Protected Attributes

- std::vector< [Grabbed](#) > [\\_vGrabbedBodies](#)  
*vector of grabbed bodies*
- std::vector< ManipulatorPtr > [\\_vecManipulators](#)
- int [\\_nActiveManip](#)
- std::vector< AttachedSensorPtr > [\\_vecSensors](#)
- int [\\_nActiveDOF](#)  
*Active degrees of freedom; if -1, use robot dofs.*
- int [\\_nAffineDOFs](#)  
*dofs describe what affine transformations are allowed*
- Vector [\\_vRotationAxisLowerLimits](#)  
*the xyz components are used if the rotation axis is solely about X,Y,or Z; otherwise the W component is used.*

## Affine DOFs

Methods using the active degrees of freedoms of the robot. Active DOFs are a way for the user to specify degrees of freedom of interest for a current execution block. All planners by default use the robot's active DOF and active manipulator. For every Get\* method, there is a corresponding GetActive\* method rather than the methods when setting joints. The active DOFs also include affine transformations of the robot's base. Affine transformation DOFs can be found after the joint DOFs in this order: X, Y, Z, Rotation where rotation can be around a specified axis a full 3D rotation. Usually the affine transformation is with respect to the first link in the body

- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_NoTransform [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_NoTransform
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_X [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_X
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_Y [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_Y
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_Z [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_Z
  
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_RotationAxis [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_RotationAxis
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_Rotation3D [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_Rotation3D
- static const [DOFAffine](#) DOF\_RotationQuat [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = OpenRAVE::DOF\_RotationQuat
- virtual void [SetActiveDOFs](#) (const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int affine=OpenRAVE::DOF\_NoTransform)
 

*Set the joint indices and affine transformation dofs that the planner should use. If [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) is specified, the previously set axis is used.*
  
- virtual void [SetActiveDOFs](#) (const std::vector< int > &dofindices, int affine, const Vector &rotationaxis)
 

*Set the joint indices and affine transformation dofs that the planner should use. If [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) is specified, then rotationaxis is set as the new axis.*
  
- virtual int **GetActiveDOF** () const
- virtual int **GetAffineDOF** () const
- virtual int [GetAffineDOFIndex](#) ([DOFAffine](#) dof) const
- virtual const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) & [GetActiveConfigurationSpecification](#) () const
 

*return the configuration specification of the active dofs*
  
- virtual const std::vector< int > & [GetActiveDOFIndices](#) () const
 

*Return the set of active dof indices of the joints.*



- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotationAxis** () const
- virtual void **SetAffineTranslationLimits** (const Vector &lower, const Vector &upper)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationAxisLimits** (const Vector &lower, const Vector &upper)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotation3DLimits** (const Vector &lower, const Vector &upper)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationQuatLimits** (const Vector &quatangle)
  - sets the quaternion limits using a starting rotation and the max angle deviation from it.*
- virtual void **SetAffineTranslationMaxVels** (const Vector &vels)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationAxisMaxVels** (const Vector &vels)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotation3DMaxVels** (const Vector &vels)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationQuatMaxVels** (dReal vels)
- virtual void **SetAffineTranslationResolution** (const Vector &resolution)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationAxisResolution** (const Vector &resolution)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotation3DResolution** (const Vector &resolution)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationQuatResolution** (dReal resolution)
- virtual void **SetAffineTranslationWeights** (const Vector &weights)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationAxisWeights** (const Vector &weights)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotation3DWeights** (const Vector &weights)
- virtual void **SetAffineRotationQuatWeights** (dReal weights)
- virtual void **GetAffineTranslationLimits** (Vector &lower, Vector &upper) const
- virtual void **GetAffineRotationAxisLimits** (Vector &lower, Vector &upper) const
- virtual void **GetAffineRotation3DLimits** (Vector &lower, Vector &upper) const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotationQuatLimits** () const
  - gets the quaternion limits*
- virtual Vector **GetAffineTranslationMaxVels** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotationAxisMaxVels** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotation3DMaxVels** () const
- virtual dReal **GetAffineRotationQuatMaxVels** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineTranslationResolution** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotationAxisResolution** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotation3DResolution** () const
- virtual dReal **GetAffineRotationQuatResolution** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineTranslationWeights** () const
- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotationAxisWeights** () const

- virtual Vector **GetAffineRotation3DWeights** () const
- virtual dReal **GetAffineRotationQuatWeights** () const
- virtual void **SetActiveDOFValues** (const std::vector< dReal > &values, bool bCheckLimits=false)
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFValues** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **SetActiveDOFVelocities** (const std::vector< dReal > &velocities, bool bCheckLimits=false)
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFVelocities** (std::vector< dReal > &velocities) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFLimits** (std::vector< dReal > &lower, std::vector< dReal > &upper) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFResolutions** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFWeights** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFVelocityLimits** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFAccelerationLimits** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFMaxVel** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **GetActiveDOFMaxAccel** (std::vector< dReal > &v) const
- virtual void **SubtractActiveDOFValues** (std::vector< dReal > &q1, const std::vector< dReal > &q2) const

*computes the configuration difference q1-q2 and stores it in q1. Takes into account joint limits and circular joints*

- virtual void **SetActiveManipulator** (int index)
- virtual void **SetActiveManipulator** (const std::string &manipname)
- virtual ManipulatorPtr **GetActiveManipulator** ()
- virtual ManipulatorConstPtr **GetActiveManipulator** () const
- virtual int **GetActiveManipulatorIndex** () const
- virtual bool **SetMotion** (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**
- virtual bool **SetActiveMotion** (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**
- virtual bool **SetActiveMotion** (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj, dReal fSpeed) **RAVE\_DEPRECATED**
- virtual void **CalculateActiveJacobian** (int index, const Vector &offset, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &mjacobian) const

*Calculates the translation jacobian with respect to a link.*

- virtual void **CalculateActiveJacobian** (int index, const Vector &offset, std::vector< dReal > &pfJacobian) const
- virtual void **CalculateActiveRotationJacobian** (int index, const Vector &qInitialRot, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &vjacobian) const
- virtual void **CalculateActiveRotationJacobian** (int index, const Vector &qInitialRot, std::vector< dReal > &pfJacobian) const

- virtual void [CalculateActiveAngularVelocityJacobian](#) (int index, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > &mjacobian) const
- virtual void **CalculateActiveAngularVelocityJacobian** (int index, std::vector< dReal > &pfJacobian) const
- virtual const std::set< int > & **GetNonAdjacentLinks** (int adjacentoptions=0) const

### 11.51.1 Detailed Description

[**interface**] A robot is a kinematic body that has attached manipulators, sensors, and controllers. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Robot Concepts](#).

### 11.51.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.51.2.1 virtual void \_ParametersChanged (int *parameters*) [**protected**, **virtual**]

Called to notify the body that certain groups of parameters have been changed.

This function in calls every registers callback that is tracking the changes.

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

#### 11.51.2.2 virtual void CalculateActiveAngularVelocityJacobian (int *index*, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > & *mjacobian*) const [**virtual**]

Calculates the angular velocity jacobian of a specified link about the axes of world coordinates.

#### Parameters

*index* of the link that the rotation is attached to

*mjacobian* 3x(num ACTIVE DOF) matrix

#### 11.51.2.3 virtual void CalculateActiveJacobian (int *index*, const Vector & *offset*, boost::multi\_array< dReal, 2 > & *mjacobian*) const [**virtual**]

Calculates the translation jacobian with respect to a link.

Calculates the partial differentials for the active degrees of freedom that in the path from the root node to \_veclinks[index] (doesn't touch the rest of the values).

**Parameters**

*mjacobian* a 3 x ActiveDOF matrix

**11.51.2.4** `virtual bool CheckLinkCollision (int ilinkindex, const Transform & tlinktrans, CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr ())`  
**[virtual]**

checks collision of a robot link with the surrounding environment. Attached/Grabbed bodies to this link are also checked for collision.

**Parameters**

← *ilinkindex* the index of the link to check  
 ← *tlinktrans* The transform of the link to check  
 → *report* [optional] collision report

**11.51.2.5** `virtual bool CheckSelfCollision (CollisionReportPtr report = CollisionReportPtr ()) const` **[virtual]**

Check if body is self colliding. Links that are joined together are ignored.

**Parameters**

*report* [optional] collision report

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

**11.51.2.6** `virtual int GetActiveManipulatorIndex () const` **[virtual]**

**Returns**

index of the current active manipulator

**11.51.2.7** `virtual int GetAffineDOFIndex (DOFAffine dof) const` **[virtual]**

**11.51.2.8 virtual Vector GetAffineRotationQuatLimits () const [virtual]**

gets the quaternion limits

**Parameters**

*quatangle* quaternion\_start \* max\_angle. acos(q dot quaternion\_start) <= max\_angle

**11.51.2.9 void GetFullTrajectoryFromActive (TrajectoryBasePtr *pfulltraj*, TrajectoryBaseConstPtr *pActiveTraj*, bool *bOverwriteTransforms* = true)****11.51.2.10 virtual void GetGrabbed (std::vector< KinBodyPtr > & *vbodies*) const [virtual]**

gets all grabbed bodies of the robot

**Parameters**

→ *vbodies* filled with the grabbed bodies

**11.51.2.11 virtual const std::string& GetRobotStructureHash () const [virtual]**

A md5 hash unique to the particular robot structure that involves manipulation and sensing components The serialization for the attached sensors will not involve any sensor specific properties (since they can change through calibration)

**11.51.2.12 virtual bool Grab (KinBodyPtr *body*) [virtual]**

Grabs the body with the active manipulator's end effector.

**Parameters**

← *body* the body to be grabbed

**Returns**

true if successful and body is grabbed

**11.51.2.13** `virtual bool Grab (KinBodyPtr body, const std::set< int > & setRobotLinksToIgnore)` [**virtual**]

Grabs the body with the active manipulator's end effector.

**Parameters**

← *body* the body to be grabbed

← *setRobotLinksToIgnore* Additional robot link indices that collision checker ignore when checking collisions between the grabbed body and the robot.

**Returns**

true if successful and body is grabbed

**11.51.2.14** `virtual bool Grab (KinBodyPtr body, LinkPtr pRobotLinkToGrabWith)` [**virtual**]

Grab a body with the specified link.

**Parameters**

← *body* the body to be grabbed

← *pRobotLinkToGrabWith* the link of this robot that will perform the grab

**Returns**

true if successful and body is grabbed/

**11.51.2.15** `virtual bool Grab (KinBodyPtr body, LinkPtr pRobotLinkToGrabWith, const std::set< int > & setRobotLinksToIgnore)` [**virtual**]

Grab the body with the specified link.

**Parameters**

- ← *body* the body to be grabbed
- ← *pRobotLinkToGrabWith* the link of this robot that will perform the grab
- ← *setRobotLinksToIgnore* Additional robot link indices that collision checker ignore when checking collisions between the grabbed body and the robot.

**Returns**

true if successful and body is grabbed.

**11.51.2.16** `virtual bool InitFromData (const std::string & data, const AttributesList & atts = AttributesList ()) [virtual]`

**See also**

EnvironmentBase::ReadRobotXMLData

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

**11.51.2.17** `virtual bool InitFromFile (const std::string & filename, const AttributesList & atts = AttributesList ()) [virtual]`

**See also**

EnvironmentBase::ReadRobotXMLFile

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

**11.51.2.18** `virtual LinkPtr IsGrabbing (KinBodyConstPtr body) const [virtual]`

return the robot link that is currently grabbing the body. If the body is not grabbed, will return an empty pointer.

**Parameters**

- ← *body* the body to check

**11.51.2.19 virtual bool IsRobot () const [virtual]****Returns**

true if this body is derived from [RobotBase](#)

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

**11.51.2.20 virtual void RegrabAll () [virtual]**

Releases and grabs all bodies, has the effect of recalculating all the initial collision with the bodies.

This has the effect of resetting the current collisions any grabbed body makes with the robot into an ignore list.

**11.51.2.21 virtual void Release (KinBodyPtr *body*) [virtual]**

Release the body if grabbed.

**Parameters**

*body* body to release

**11.51.2.22 virtual void ReleaseAllGrabbed () [virtual]**

Release all grabbed bodies.

release all bodies

**11.51.2.23 virtual void SetActiveDOFs (const std::vector< int > & *dofindices*, int *affine*, const Vector & *rotationaxis*) [virtual]**

Set the joint indices and affine transformation dofs that the planner should use. If [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) is specified, then rotationaxis is set as the new axis.

**Parameters**

*dofindices* the indices of the original degrees of freedom to use.



*affine* A bitmask of [DOFAffine](#) values

*rotationaxis* if [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) is specified, pRotationAxis is used as the new axis

**11.51.2.24** `virtual void SetActiveDOFs (const std::vector< int > & dofindices, int affine = OpenRAVE::DOF_NoTransform) [virtual]`

Set the joint indices and affine transformation dofs that the planner should use. If [DOF\\_RotationAxis](#) is specified, the previously set axis is used.

#### Parameters

*dofindices* the indices of the original degrees of freedom to use.

*affine* A bitmask of [DOFAffine](#) values

**11.51.2.25** `virtual void SetActiveManipulator (const std::string & manipname) [virtual]`

sets the active manipulator of the robot

#### Parameters

*manipname* manipulator name

**11.51.2.26** `virtual void SetActiveManipulator (int index) [virtual]`

sets the active manipulator of the robot

#### Parameters

*index* manipulator index

**11.51.2.27** `virtual bool SetActiveMotion (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj, dReal fSpeed) [virtual]`

**11.51.2.28** `virtual bool SetActiveMotion (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj) [virtual]`

### 11.51.2.29 virtual void SetAffineRotationQuatLimits (const Vector & *quatangle*) [virtual]

sets the quaternion limits using a starting rotation and the max angle deviation from it.

#### Parameters

*quatangle* quaternion\_start \* max\_angle.  $\text{acos}(q \text{ dot } \text{quaternion\_start}) \leq \text{max\_angle}$ . If max\_angle is 0, then will take the current transform of the robot

### 11.51.2.30 virtual bool SetController (ControllerBasePtr *controller*, const std::string & *args*) [virtual]

### 11.51.2.31 virtual bool SetController (ControllerBasePtr *controller*, const std::vector< int > & *dofindices*, int *nControlTransformation*) [virtual]

set a controller for a robot

#### Parameters

*pController* - if NULL, sets the controller of this robot to NULL. otherwise attempts to set the controller to this robot.

*args* - the argument list to pass when initializing the controller

### 11.51.2.32 virtual bool SetMotion (TrajectoryBaseConstPtr *ptraj*) [virtual]

### 11.51.2.33 virtual void SimulationStep (dReal *fElapsedTime*) [virtual]

Simulate the robot and update the grabbed bodies and attached sensors.

Do not call SimulationStep for the attached sensors in this function.

Reimplemented from [KinBody](#).

### 11.51.3 Member Data Documentation

#### 11.51.3.1 `int _nActiveManip` `[protected]`

See also

[GetActiveManipulatorIndex](#)

#### 11.51.3.2 `std::vector<ManipulatorPtr> _vecManipulators` `[protected]`

See also

[GetManipulators](#)

#### 11.51.3.3 `std::vector<AttachedSensorPtr> _vecSensors` `[protected]`

See also

[GetAttachedSensors](#)

#### 11.51.3.4 `const DOFAffine DOF_NoTransform RAVE_DEPRECATED = OpenRAVE::DOF_NoTransform` `[static]`

## 11.52 RobotStateSaver Class Reference

Helper class derived from KinBodyStateSaver to additionally save robot information.

### 11.52.1 Detailed Description

Helper class derived from KinBodyStateSaver to additionally save robot information.

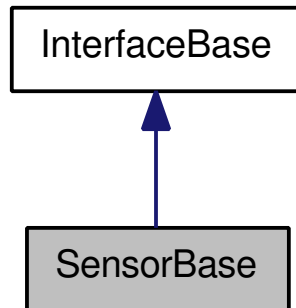
**Examples:**

[ormulticontrol.cpp](#), [orplanning\\_module.cpp](#), [orplanning\\_planner.cpp](#), and [ortrajectory.cpp](#).

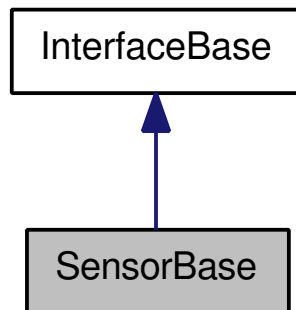
## 11.53 SensorBase Class Reference

**[interface]** A sensor measures physical properties from the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Sensor Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for SensorBase:



Collaboration diagram for SensorBase:



### Classes

- class [ActuatorSensorData](#)  
*An actuator for modeling motors and other mechanisms that produce torque/force. The actuator has only one degree of freedom.*
- class [Force6DSensorData](#)  
*Stores force data.*
- class [IMUSensorData](#)  
*Stores IMU data.*

- class [JointEncoderSensorData](#)  
*Stores joint angles and EE position.*
- class [OdometrySensorData](#)  
*odometry data storing full 6D pose and velocity*
- class [SensorData](#)  
*used to pass sensor data around*
- class [SensorGeometry](#)  
*permanent properties of the sensors*
- class [TactileSensorData](#)  
*tactile data*

### Public Types

- enum [ConfigureCommand](#) {  
`CC_PowerOn = 0x10, CC_PowerOff = 0x11, CC_PowerCheck = 0x12, CC_RenderDataOn = 0x20,`  
`CC_RenderDataOff = 0x21, CC_RenderDataCheck = 0x23, CC_RenderGeometryOn = 0x30, CC_RenderGeometryOff = 0x31,`  
`CC_RenderGeometryCheck = 0x32 }`  
*A set of commands used for run-time sensor configuration.*

### Public Member Functions

- virtual int [Configure](#) ([ConfigureCommand](#) command, bool blocking=false)=0  
*Configures properties of the sensor like power.*
- virtual bool [SimulationStep](#) (dReal fTimeElapsed) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Simulate one step forward for sensors.*
- virtual [SensorGeometryPtr](#) [GetSensorGeometry](#) (SensorType type=ST\_Invalid)=0  
*Returns the sensor geometry. This method is thread safe.*

- virtual SensorDataPtr [CreateSensorData](#) (SensorType type=ST\_Invalid)=0  
*Creates the sensor data to be specifically used by this class.*
- virtual bool [GetSensorData](#) (SensorDataPtr psensordata)=0  
*Copy the most recent published data of the sensor given the type.*
- virtual bool [Supports](#) (SensorType type)=0  
*returns true if sensor supports a particular sensor type*
- virtual void [SetTransform](#) (const Transform &trans)=0  
*Set the transform of a sensor (global coordinate system).*
- virtual UserDataPtr [RegisterDataCallback](#) (SensorType type, const boost::function< void(SensorDataConstPtr)> &callback) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Register a callback whenever new sensor data comes in.*
- virtual const std::string & [GetName](#) () const
- virtual bool [Init](#) (const std::string &) RAVE\_DEPRECATED

#### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

#### Protected Attributes

- std::string [\\_name](#)  
*name of the sensor*

### 11.53.1 Detailed Description

[interface] A sensor measures physical properties from the environment. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Sensor Concepts](#).

### 11.53.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

#### 11.53.2.1 enum ConfigureCommand

A set of commands used for run-time sensor configuration.

#### Enumerator:

- CC\_PowerOn*** turns the sensor on, starts gathering data and using processor cycles. If the power is already on, serves as a reset. (off by default)
- CC\_PowerOff*** turns the sensor off, stops gathering data (off by default).
- CC\_PowerCheck*** returns whether power is on
- CC\_RenderDataOn*** turns on any rendering of the sensor data (off by default)
- CC\_RenderDataOff*** turns off any rendering of the sensor data (off by default)
- CC\_RenderDataCheck*** returns whether data rendering is on
- CC\_RenderGeometryOn*** turns on any rendering of the sensor geometry (on by default)
- CC\_RenderGeometryOff*** turns off any rendering of the sensor geometry (on by default)
- CC\_RenderGeometryCheck*** returns whether geometry rendering is on

### 11.53.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.53.3.1 virtual int Configure (ConfigureCommand *command*, bool *blocking* = false) [pure virtual]

Configures properties of the sensor like power.

#### Parameters

*type* [ConfigureCommand](#)

*blocking* If set to true, makes sure the configuration ends before this function returns.(might cause problems if environment is locked).

#### Exceptions

[openrave\\_exception](#) if command doesn't succeed

#### 11.53.3.2 virtual SensorDataPtr CreateSensorData (SensorType *type* = ST\_Invalid) [pure virtual]

Creates the sensor data to be specifically used by this class.

**Parameters**

*type* the requested sensor type to create. A sensor can support many types. If type is ST\_Invalid, then returns a data structure of the type most representative of this sensor.

**Returns**

new [SensorData](#) class

**11.53.3.3 virtual const std::string& GetName () const [virtual]****Returns**

the name of the sensor

**11.53.3.4 virtual bool GetSensorData (SensorDataPtr psensordata) [pure virtual]**

Copy the most recent published data of the sensor given the type.

Once GetSensorData returns, the caller has full unrestricted access to the data. This method is thread safe.

**Parameters**

*psensordata* A pointer to [SensorData](#) returned from CreateSensorData, the plugin will use psensordata->GetType() in order to return the correctly supported type.

**11.53.3.5 virtual SensorGeometryPtr GetSensorGeometry (SensorType type = ST\_Invalid) [pure virtual]**

Returns the sensor geometry. This method is thread safe.

**Parameters**

*type* the requested sensor type to create. A sensor can support many types. If type is ST\_Invalid, then returns a data structure

**Returns**

sensor geometry pointer, use delete to destroy it



**11.53.3.6 virtual bool Init (const std::string &) [virtual]****11.53.3.7 virtual UserDataPtr RegisterDataCallback (SensorType *type*,  
const boost::function< void(SensorDataConstPtr)> & *callback*)  
[virtual]**

Register a callback whenever new sensor data comes in.

**Parameters**

*type* the sensor type to register for

*callback* the user function to call, note that this might block the thread generating/receiving sensor data

**11.53.3.8 virtual void SetTransform (const Transform & *trans*) [pure virtual]**

Set the transform of a sensor (global coordinate system).

Sensors attached to the robot have their transforms automatically set every time the robot is moved

**Parameters**

*trans* - The transform defining the frame of the sensor.

**11.53.3.9 virtual bool SimulationStep (dReal *fTimeElapsed*) [virtual]**

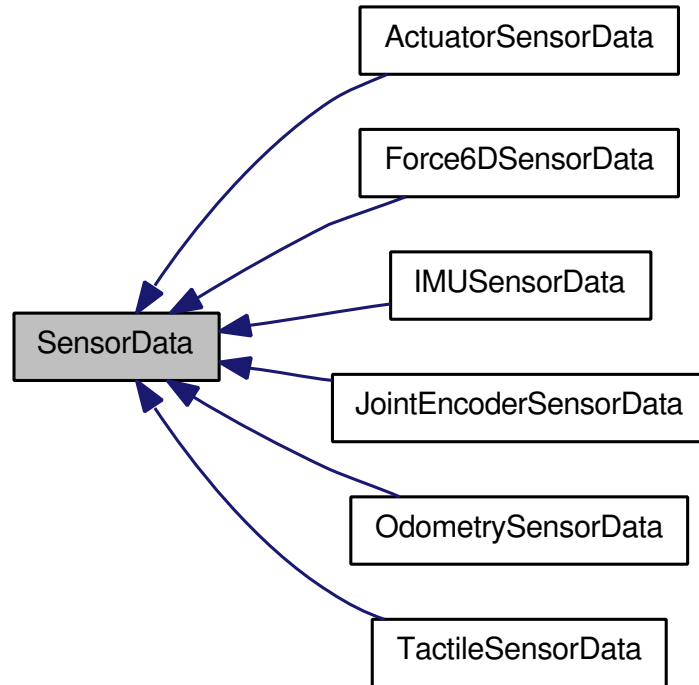
Simulate one step forward for sensors.

Only valid if this sensor is simulation based. A sensor hooked up to a real device can ignore this call

**11.54 SensorData Class Reference**

used to pass sensor data around

Inheritance diagram for SensorData:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual bool [serialize](#) (std::ostream &O) const  
*Serialize the sensor data to stream in XML format.*

### Public Attributes

- uint64\_t [\\_\\_stamp](#)  
*time stamp of the sensor data in microseconds. If 0, then the data is uninitialized! (floating-point precision is bad here). This can be either simulation or real time depending on the sensor.*
- Transform [\\_\\_trans](#)  
*the coordinate system the sensor was when the measurement was taken, this is taken directly from `SensorBase::GetTransform`*

### 11.54.1 Detailed Description

used to pass sensor data around

## 11.55 SensorGeometry Class Reference

permanent properties of the sensors

Inherited by ActuatorGeomData, CameraGeomData, Force6DGeomData, IMUGeomData, JointEncoderGeomData, LaserGeomData, OdometryGeomData, TactileGeomData, and TouchGeomData.

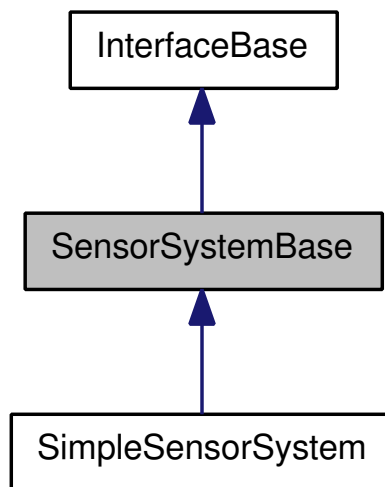
### 11.55.1 Detailed Description

permanent properties of the sensors

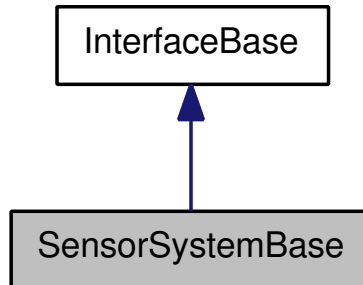
## 11.56 SensorSystemBase Class Reference

**[interface]** Used to manage the creation and destruction of bodies. See [Sensor System Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for SensorSystemBase:



Collaboration diagram for SensorSystemBase:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual void [Reset](#) ()=0  
*resets the system and stops managing all objects. Any objects that are not locked, are deleted*
- virtual void [AddRegisteredBodies](#) (const std::vector< KinBodyPtr > &vbodies)=0  
*automatically register bodies that have some type of SensorSystem data (usually done through xml)*
- virtual KinBody::ManageDataPtr [AddKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody, XMLReadableConstPtr pdata)=0
- virtual bool [RemoveKinBody](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody)=0  
*remove body from sensory system. If bDestroy is true, will also deallocate the memory*
- virtual bool [IsBodyPresent](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody)=0  
*returns true if body is present*
- virtual bool [EnableBody](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody, bool bEnable)=0  
*enable/disable a body from being updated by the sensor system*
- virtual bool [SwitchBody](#) (KinBodyPtr pbody1, KinBodyPtr pbody2)=0

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### 11.56.1 Detailed Description

**[interface]** Used to manage the creation and destruction of bodies. See [Sensor System Concepts](#).

### 11.56.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 11.56.2.1 virtual KinBody::ManageDataPtr AddKinBody (KinBodyPtr *pbody*, XMLReadableConstPtr *pdata*) [pure virtual]

add body for registering with sensor system *pdata* is a pointer to a data structor holding tracking/registration information for the system

#### 11.56.2.2 virtual bool SwitchBody (KinBodyPtr *pbody1*, KinBodyPtr *pbody2*) [pure virtual]

switches the registrations of two bodies. Can be used to quickly change the models of the current bodies

#### Parameters

*pbody1* First body to switch

*pbody2* Second body to switch

## 11.57 SimpleDistanceMetric Class Reference

simple distance metric based on joint weights

### 11.57.1 Detailed Description

simple distance metric based on joint weights

## 11.58 SimpleNeighborhoodSampler Class Reference

samples the neighborhood of a configuration using the configuration space distance metric and sampler.

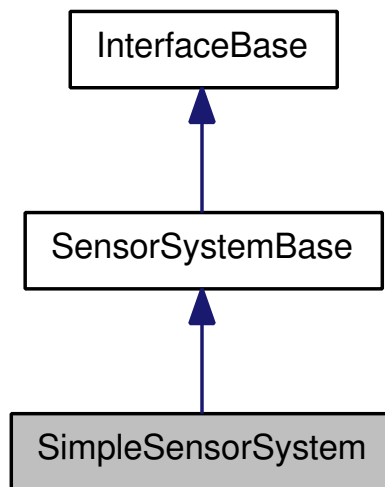
### 11.58.1 Detailed Description

samples the neighborhood of a configuration using the configuration space distance metric and sampler.

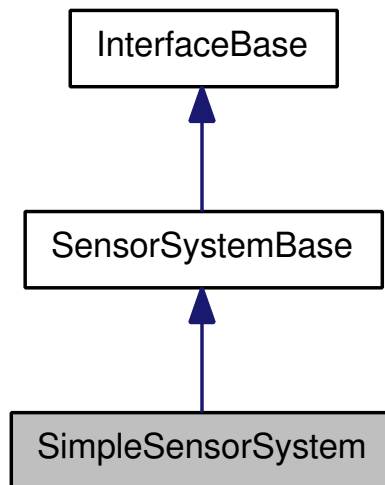
## 11.59 SimpleSensorSystem Class Reference

A very simple sensor system example that manages raw detection data.

Inheritance diagram for SimpleSensorSystem:



Collaboration diagram for SimpleSensorSystem:



### Static Public Member Functions

- static UserDataPtr [RegisterXMLReaderId](#) (EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const std::string &xmlid)  
*registers the XML reader, do not call in the constructor of this class!*

### Static Protected Member Functions

- static BaseXMLReaderPtr [CreateXMLReaderId](#) (const std::string &xmlid, InterfaceBasePtr ptr, const AttributesList &atts)  
*creates a reader to parse the data*

### Protected Attributes

- uint64\_t [\\_expirationtime](#)  
*expiration time in us*

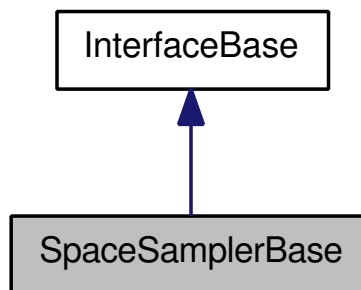
#### 11.59.1 Detailed Description

A very simple sensor system example that manages raw detection data.

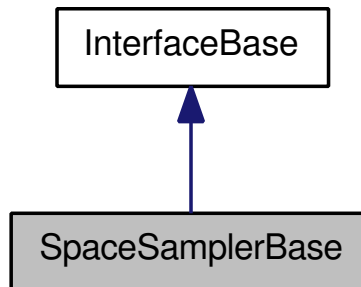
## 11.60 SpaceSamplerBase Class Reference

[interface] Contains space samplers commonly used in planners. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [SpaceSampler Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for SpaceSamplerBase:



Collaboration diagram for SpaceSamplerBase:



### Public Member Functions

- virtual void [SetSeed](#) (uint32\_t seed) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*sets a new seed. For sequence samplers, the seed describes the  $n^{\text{th}}$  sample to begin at.*
- virtual void [SetSpaceDOF](#) (int dof) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Sets the degrees of freedom of the space (note this is different from the parameterization dimension).*
- virtual int [GetDOF](#) () const =0  
*returns the degrees of freedom of the sampling space*
- virtual int [GetNumberOfValues](#) () const =0  
*Dimension of the return samples.*
- virtual void [GetLimits](#) (std::vector< dReal > &vLowerLimit, std::vector< dReal > &vUpperLimit) const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*returns the minimum and maximum values returned for each dimension (size is [GetNumberOfValues\(\)](#))*
- virtual void [GetLimits](#) (std::vector< uint32\_t > &vLowerLimit, std::vector< uint32\_t > &vUpperLimit) const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*returns the minimum and maximum values returned for each dimension (size is [GetNumberOfValues\(\)](#))*



- virtual void [SampleSequence](#) (std::vector< dReal > &samples, size\_t num=1, [IntervalType](#) interval=IT\_Closed) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*sequentially sampling returning the next 'num' samples*
- virtual void [SampleSequence](#) (std::vector< uint32\_t > &sample, size\_t num=1) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*sequentially sampling returning the next 'num' samples*
- virtual void [SampleComplete](#) (std::vector< dReal > &samples, size\_t num, [IntervalType](#) interval=IT\_Closed) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*returns N samples that best approximate the entire sampling space.*
- virtual void [SampleComplete](#) (std::vector< uint32\_t > &samples, size\_t num) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*returns N samples that best approximate the entire sampling space.*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

#### 11.60.1 Detailed Description

[interface] Contains space samplers commonly used in planners. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [SpaceSampler Concepts](#).

#### 11.60.2 Member Function Documentation

- 11.60.2.1** virtual void [GetLimits](#) (std::vector< uint32\_t > & *vLowerLimit*, std::vector< uint32\_t > & *vUpperLimit*) const [**virtual**]

returns the minimum and maximum values returned for each dimension (size is [GetNumberOfValues\(\)](#))

By default the limits should be  $[0, 2^{32}-1]$

**11.60.2.2** `virtual void GetLimits (std::vector< dReal > & vLowerLimit,  
std::vector< dReal > & vUpperLimit) const [virtual]`

returns the minimum and maximum values returned for each dimension (size is [GetNumberOfValues\(\)](#))

By default the limits should be in  $[0,1]^N$ .

**11.60.2.3** `virtual int GetNumberOfValues () const [pure virtual]`

Dimension of the return samples.

Number of values used to represent the parameterization of the space ( $\geq$  dof). For example, let a quaternion describe a 3D rotation. The DOF of the space is 3, while the dimension of the returned samples is 4.

**11.60.2.4** `virtual void SampleComplete (std::vector< uint32_t > & samples,  
size_t num) [virtual]`

returns N samples that best approximate the entire sampling space.

The sampler can fail by returning an array of size 0.

**11.60.2.5** `virtual void SampleComplete (std::vector< dReal > & samples,  
size_t num, IntervalType interval = IT_Closed) [virtual]`

returns N samples that best approximate the entire sampling space.

The sampler can fail by returning an array of size 0.

**11.60.2.6** `virtual void SampleSequence (std::vector< uint32_t > & sample,  
size_t num = 1) [virtual]`

sequentially sampling returning the next 'num' samples

The sampler can fail by returning an array of size 0.

**Parameters**

*sample* the values of the samples. This is a num\*GetNumberOfValues() array.

*num* number of samples to return

**11.60.2.7** virtual void SampleSequence (std::vector< dReal > & *samples*, size\_t *num* = 1, IntervalType *interval* = IT\_Closed) [virtual]

sequentially sampling returning the next 'num' samples

The sampler can fail by returning an array of size 0.

**Parameters**

*sample* the values of the samples. This is a num\*GetNumberOfValues() array.

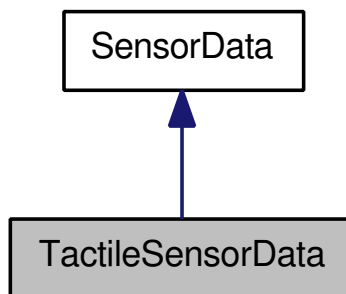
*num* number of samples to return

*interval* the sampling interval for each of the dimensions.

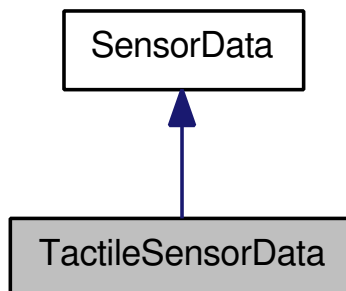
**11.61 TactileSensorData Class Reference**

tactile data

Inheritance diagram for TactileSensorData:



Collaboration diagram for TactileSensorData:



### Public Attributes

- `boost::array< dReal, 9 > force_covariance`  
*xyz force of each individual element*

#### 11.61.1 Detailed Description

tactile data

#### 11.61.2 Member Data Documentation

##### 11.61.2.1 `boost::array<dReal,9> force_covariance`

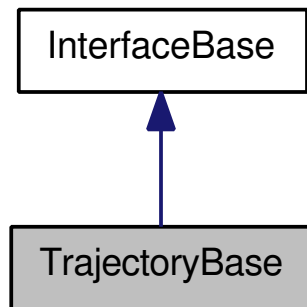
xyz force of each individual element

row major 3x3 matrix of the uncertainty on the xyz force measurements

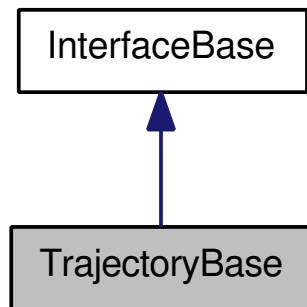
## 11.62 TrajectoryBase Class Reference

[interface] Encapsulate a time-parameterized trajectories of robot configurations. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** [Trajectory Concepts](#)

Inheritance diagram for TrajectoryBase:



Collaboration diagram for TrajectoryBase:



### Classes

- class [Point](#)

### Public Types

- typedef [Point](#) TPOINT [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Public Member Functions

- virtual void [Insert](#) (size\_t index, const std::vector< dReal > &data, bool bOverwrite=false)=0

*Sets/inserts new waypoints in the same configuration specification as the trajectory.*

- virtual void [Insert](#) (size\_t index, const std::vector< dReal > &data, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &spec, bool bOverwrite=false)=0  
*Sets/inserts new waypoints in a **user-given** configuration specification.*
- virtual void [Remove](#) (size\_t startindex, size\_t endindex)=0  
*removes a number of waypoints starting at the specified index*
- virtual void [Sample](#) (std::vector< dReal > &data, dReal time) const =0  
*samples a data point on the trajectory at a particular time*
- virtual void [Sample](#) (std::vector< dReal > &data, dReal time, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &spec) const  
*samples a data point on the trajectory at a particular time and returns data for the group specified.*
- virtual size\_t [GetNumWaypoints](#) () const =0  
*return the number of waypoints*
- virtual void [GetWaypoints](#) (size\_t startindex, size\_t endindex, std::vector< dReal > &data) const =0  
*return a set of waypoints in the range [startindex,endindex)*
- virtual void [GetWaypoints](#) (size\_t startindex, size\_t endindex, std::vector< dReal > &data, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &spec) const  
*return a set of waypoints in the range [startindex,endindex) in a different configuration specification.*
- void [GetWaypoint](#) (int index, std::vector< dReal > &data) const  
*returns one waypoint*
- void [GetWaypoint](#) (int index, std::vector< dReal > &data, const [ConfigurationSpecification](#) &spec) const  
*returns one waypoint*
- virtual dReal [GetDuration](#) () const =0  
*return the duration of the trajectory in seconds*
- virtual void [serialize](#) (std::ostream &O, int options=0) const  
*output the trajectory in XML format*
- virtual void [deserialize](#) (std::istream &I)  
*initialize the trajectory*

- virtual bool [SampleTrajectory](#) (dReal time, [Point](#) &tp) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual const std::vector< [Point](#) > & [GetPoints](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- int [GetDOF](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual dReal [GetTotalDuration](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [Write](#) (std::ostream &O, int options) const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [Read](#) (std::istream &I, RobotBaseConstPtr) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual int [GetInterpMethod](#) () const [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [CalcTrajTiming](#) (RobotBasePtr probot, int interp, bool autocalc, bool activedof, dReal fmaxvelmult=1) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [Clear](#) () [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [AddPoint](#) (const [Point](#) &p) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [Reset](#) (int dof) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### Static Public Attributes

- static const int TO\_OneLine [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) = 1

#### 11.62.1 Detailed Description

[interface] Encapsulate a time-parameterized trajectories of robot configurations. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** [Trajectory Concepts](#)

#### 11.62.2 Member Typedef Documentation

##### 11.62.2.1 typedef Point TPOINT [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

#### 11.62.3 Member Function Documentation

##### 11.62.3.1 virtual void AddPoint (const Point &p) [\[virtual\]](#)

**11.62.3.2** `virtual bool CalcTrajTiming (RobotBasePtr probot, int interp, bool autocalc, bool activedof, dReal fmaxvelmult = 1) [virtual]`

**11.62.3.3** `virtual void Clear () [virtual]`

**11.62.3.4** `int GetDOF () const`

**11.62.3.5** `virtual int GetInterpMethod () const [virtual]`

**11.62.3.6** `virtual const std::vector<Point>& GetPoints () const [virtual]`

**11.62.3.7** `virtual dReal GetTotalDuration () const [virtual]`

**11.62.3.8** `void GetWaypoint (int index, std::vector< dReal > & data, const ConfigurationSpecification & spec) const`

returns one waypoint

#### Parameters

*index[in]* index of the waypoint. If < 0, then counting starts from the last waypoint. For example GetWaypoints(-1,data) returns the last waypoint.

*data[out]* the data of the waypoint



**11.62.3.9 void GetWaypoint (int *index*, std::vector< dReal > & *data*) const**

returns one waypoint

**Parameters**

*index[in]* index of the waypoint. If < 0, then counting starts from the last waypoint. For example GetWaypoints(-1,data) returns the last waypoint.

*data[out]* the data of the waypoint

**11.62.3.10 virtual void GetWaypoints (size\_t *startindex*, size\_t *endindex*, std::vector< dReal > & *data*, const ConfigurationSpecification & *spec*) const [virtual]**

return a set of waypoints in the range [startindex,endindex) in a different configuration specification.

The default implementation is very slow, so trajectory developers should really override it.

**Parameters**

*startindex[in]* the start index of the waypoint (included)

*endindex[in]* the end index of the waypoint (not included)

*spec[in]* the specification to return the data in

*data[out]* the data of the waypoint

**11.62.3.11 virtual void GetWaypoints (size\_t *startindex*, size\_t *endindex*, std::vector< dReal > & *data*) const [pure virtual]**

return a set of waypoints in the range [startindex,endindex)

**Parameters**

*startindex[in]* the start index of the waypoint (included)

*endindex[in]* the end index of the waypoint (not included)

*data[out]* the data of the waypoint

**11.62.3.12** `virtual void Insert (size_t index, const std::vector< dReal > & data, const ConfigurationSpecification & spec, bool bOverwrite = false) [pure virtual]`

Sets/inserts new waypoints in a **user-given** configuration specification.

#### Parameters

*index* The index where to start modifying the trajectory.

*data* The data to insert, can represent multiple consecutive waypoints. `data.size()/GetConfigurationSpecification().GetDOF()` waypoints are added.

*spec* the specification in which the input data come in. Depending on what data is offered, some values of this trajectory's specification might not be initialized.

*bOverwrite* If true, will overwrite the waypoints starting at *index*, and will insert new waypoints only if end of trajectory is reached. If false, will insert the points before *index*: a 0 *index* inserts the new data in the beginning, a [GetNumWaypoints\(\)](#) *index* inserts the new data at the end.

**11.62.3.13** `virtual void Insert (size_t index, const std::vector< dReal > & data, bool bOverwrite = false) [pure virtual]`

Sets/inserts new waypoints in the same configuration specification as the trajectory.

#### Parameters

*index* The index where to start modifying the trajectory.

*data* The data to insert, can represent multiple consecutive waypoints. `data.size()/GetConfigurationSpecification().GetDOF()` waypoints are added.

*bOverwrite* If true, will overwrite the waypoints starting at *index*, and will insert new waypoints only if end of trajectory is reached. If false, will insert the points before *index*: a 0 *index* inserts the new data in the beginning, a [GetNumWaypoints\(\)](#) *index* inserts the new data at the end.

**11.62.3.14** `virtual bool Read (std::istream & I, RobotBaseConstPtr) [virtual]`

**11.62.3.15** virtual void Reset (int *dof*) [virtual]

**11.62.3.16** virtual void Sample (std::vector< dReal > & *data*, dReal *time*,  
const ConfigurationSpecification & *spec*) const [virtual]

samples a data point on the trajectory at a particular time and returns data for the group specified.

The default implementation is slow, so interface developers should override it.

#### Parameters

*data[out]* the sampled point

*time[in]* the time to sample

*spec[in]* the specification format to return the data in

**11.62.3.17** virtual void Sample (std::vector< dReal > & *data*, dReal *time*) const  
[pure virtual]

samples a data point on the trajectory at a particular time

#### Parameters

*data[out]* the sampled point

*time[in]* the time to sample

**11.62.3.18** virtual bool SampleTrajectory (dReal *time*, Point & *tp*) const  
[virtual]

**11.62.3.19** virtual bool Write (std::ostream & *O*, int *options*) const  
[virtual]

### 11.62.4 Member Data Documentation

11.62.4.1 `const int TO_OneLine RAVE_DEPRECATED = 1` `[static]`

## 11.63 `triangle< T >` Class Template Reference

A triangle defined by 3 points.

### Public Member Functions

- `RaveVector< T > normal ()`  
*assumes CCW ordering of vertices*

### Public Attributes

- `RaveVector< T > v3`  
*the vertices of the triangle*

### 11.63.1 Detailed Description

`template<typename T> class OpenRAVE::geometry::triangle< T >`

A triangle defined by 3 points.

## 11.64 TRIMESH Class Reference

User data for trimesh geometries. Vertices are defined in counter-clockwise order for outward pointing faces.

### Public Member Functions

- `void Append (const TRIMESH &mesh)`  
*append another TRIMESH to this tri mesh*

### 11.64.1 Detailed Description

User data for trimesh geometries. Vertices are defined in counter-clockwise order for outward pointing faces.

## 11.65 UserData Class Reference

base class for all user data

Inherited by FunctionUserData.

### 11.65.1 Detailed Description

base class for all user data

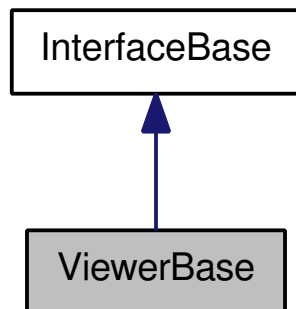
#### Examples:

[orpythonbinding.cpp](#).

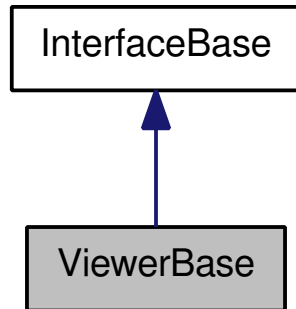
## 11.66 ViewerBase Class Reference

[**interface**] Base class for the graphics and gui engine that renders the environment and provides visual sensor information. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Viewer Concepts](#).

Inheritance diagram for ViewerBase:



Collaboration diagram for ViewerBase:



### Public Types

- typedef boost::function< bool(KinBody::LinkPtr plink, RaveVector< float >, RaveVector< float >)> [ItemSelectionCallbackFn](#)  
*callback function for item selection*
- typedef boost::function< void(const uint8\_t \*, int, int, int) [ViewerImageCallbackFn](#) >  
*callback function for item selection callback(imagememory,width,height,pixeldepth)*
- typedef [ItemSelectionCallbackFn](#) ViewerCallbackFn [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)

### Public Member Functions

- virtual int [main](#) (bool bShow=true)=0  
*goes into the main loop*
- virtual void [quitmainloop](#) ()=0  
*destroys the main loop*
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< void > [RegisterItemSelectionCallback](#) (const [ItemSelectionCallbackFn](#) &fncallback) [OPENRAVE\\_DUMMY\\_IMPLEMENTATION](#)  
*registers a function with the viewer that gets called everytime mouse button is clicked*
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< void > [RegisterViewerImageCallback](#) (const [ViewerImageCallbackFn](#) &fncallback) [OPENRAVE\\_DUMMY\\_IMPLEMENTATION](#)  
*registers a function with the viewer that gets called for every new image rendered.*

- virtual void [SetEnvironmentSync](#) (bool bUpdate) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*controls whether the viewer synchronizes with the newest environment automatically*
- virtual void [EnvironmentSync](#) () OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*forces synchronization with the environment, returns when the environment is fully synchronized.*
- virtual void [ViewerSetSize](#) (int w, int h) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [ViewerMove](#) (int x, int y) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [ViewerSetTitle](#) (const std::string &ptitle) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual void [UpdateCameraTransform](#) () [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual boost::shared\_ptr< void > [RegisterCallback](#) (int properties, const [ItemSelectionCallbackFn](#) &fncallback) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#)
- virtual bool [LoadModel](#) (const std::string &pfilename) [RAVE\\_DEPRECATED](#) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION
- virtual void [SetCamera](#) (const RaveTransform< float > &trans, float focalDistance=0) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Set the camera transformation.*
- virtual RaveTransform< float > [GetCameraTransform](#) () const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Return the current camera transform that the viewer is rendering the environment at.*
- virtual [geometry::RaveCameraIntrinsics](#)< float > [GetCameraIntrinsics](#) () const OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Return the closest camera intrinsics that the viewer is rendering the environment at.*
- virtual bool [GetCameraImage](#) (std::vector< uint8\_t > &memory, int width, int height, const RaveTransform< float > &t, const [SensorBase::CameraIntrinsics](#) &intrinsics) OPENRAVE\_DUMMY\_IMPLEMENTATION  
*Renders a 24bit RGB image of dimensions width and height from the current scene.*

### Static Public Member Functions

- static InterfaceType [GetInterfaceTypeStatic](#) ()  
*return the static interface type this class points to (used for safe casting)*

### 11.66.1 Detailed Description

**[interface]** Base class for the graphics and gui engine that renders the environment and provides visual sensor information. **If not specified, method is not multi-thread safe.** See [Viewer Concepts](#).

### 11.66.2 Member Typedef Documentation

**11.66.2.1** `typedef boost::function<bool (KinBody::LinkPtr  
pLink,RaveVector<float>,RaveVector<float>)>  
ItemSelectionCallbackFn`

callback function for item selection

If the function returns true, then the object will be selected. Otherwise, the object remains unselected. `callback(target link,offset,direction)`

**11.66.2.2** `typedef ItemSelectionCallbackFn ViewerCallbackFn  
RAVE_DEPRECATED`

**11.66.2.3** `typedef boost::function<void (const uint8_t*,int,int,int)  
ViewerImageCallbackFn)`

callback function for item selection `callback(imagememory,width,height,pixeldepth)`

#### Parameters

*imagememory* width x height x pixeldepth RGB image

### 11.66.3 Member Function Documentation

**11.66.3.1** `virtual void EnvironmentSync ()` **[virtual]**

forces synchronization with the environment, returns when the environment is fully synchronized.

Note that this method might not work if environment is locked in current thread



**11.66.3.2** `virtual bool GetCameraImage (std::vector< uint8_t > & memory,  
int width, int height, const RaveTransform< float > & t, const  
SensorBase::CameraIntrinsics & intrinsics) [virtual]`

Renders a 24bit RGB image of dimensions width and height from the current scene.

The camera is meant to show the underlying [OpenRAVE](#) world as a robot would see it, so all graphs rendered with the plotX and drawX functions are hidden by default. Some viewers support the SetFiguresInCamera command to allow graphs to be also displayed.

#### Parameters

*memory* the memory where the image will be stored at, has to store 3\*width\*height

*width* width of the image, if 0 the width of the viewer is used

*height* height of the image, if 0 the width of the viewer is used

*t* the rotation and translation of the camera. Note that +z is treated as the camera direction axis! So all points in front of the camera have a positive dot product with its +z direction.

*intrinsics* the intrinsic parameters of the camera defining FOV, distortion, principal point, and focal length. The focal length is used to define the near plane for culling.

**11.66.3.3** `virtual bool LoadModel (const std::string & pfilename) [virtual]`

**11.66.3.4** `virtual int main (bool bShow = true) [pure virtual]`

goes into the main loop

#### Parameters

*bShow* if true will show the window

**11.66.3.5** `virtual boost::shared_ptr<void> RegisterCallback (int properties,  
const ItemSelectionCallbackFn & fncallback) [virtual]`

**11.66.3.6 virtual boost::shared\_ptr<void> RegisterItemSelectionCallback  
(const ItemSelectionCallbackFn & *fncallback*) [virtual]**

registers a function with the viewer that gets called everytime mouse button is clicked

**Returns**

a handle to the callback. If this handle is deleted, the callback will be unregistered.

**11.66.3.7 virtual boost::shared\_ptr<void> RegisterViewerImageCallback  
(const ViewerImageCallbackFn & *fncallback*) [virtual]**

registers a function with the viewer that gets called for every new image rendered.

**Returns**

a handle to the callback. If this handle is deleted, the callback will be unregistered.

**11.66.3.8 virtual void SetCamera (const RaveTransform< float > & *trans*, float  
*focalDistance* = 0) [virtual]**

Set the camera transformation.

**Parameters**

*trans* new camera transformation in the world coordinate system

*focalDistance* The new focal distance of the camera (higher values is higher zoom). If 0, then the previous focal distance is preserved.

**11.66.3.9 virtual void UpdateCameraTransform () [virtual]****11.66.3.10 virtual void ViewerMove (int *x*, int *y*) [virtual]**

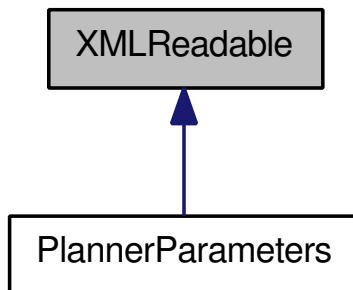
**11.66.3.11** virtual void ViewerSetSize (int *w*, int *h*) [virtual]

**11.66.3.12** virtual void ViewerSetTitle (const std::string & *ptitle*) [virtual]

## 11.67 XMLReadable Class Reference

base class for readable interfaces

Inheritance diagram for XMLReadable:



### 11.67.1 Detailed Description

base class for readable interfaces

**Examples:**

[customreader.cpp](#).

## 12 Example Documentation

### 12.1 customreader.cpp

#### Author

Rosen Diankov

Creates a simple [OpenRAVE::ControllerBase](#) and shows how to add a custom XML reader to it.

#### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave/openrave.h>
#include <openrave/plugin.h>

using namespace std;
using namespace OpenRAVE;

class CustomController : public ControllerBase
{
public:
    class XMLData : public XMLReadable
    {
public:
        XMLData() : XMLReadable("piddata") {
        }
        vector<dReal> pgains, igains;
    };

    class PIDXMLReader : public BaseXMLReader
    {
public:
        PIDXMLReader(boost::shared_ptr<XMLData> piddata, const AttributesList& atts) {
            _piddata = piddata;
            if( !_piddata )
                _piddata.reset(new XMLData());
            RAVELOG_INFO("the attributes piddata is created with are:\n");
            for(AttributesList::const_iterator itatt = atts.begin(); itatt != atts.end(); ++itatt)
                RAVELOG_INFO("%s=%s\n", itatt->first.c_str(), itatt->second.c_str());
        }

        virtual XMLReadablePtr GetReadable() {
            return _piddata;
        }

        virtual ProcessElement startElement(const std::string& name, const AttributesList& atts) {
            _ss.str("");
            return (name == "pgains" || name=="igains") ? PE_Support : PE_Pass;
        }
    };
};
```

```

        virtual bool endElement(const std::string& name)
        {
            if( name == "piddata" )
                return true;
            else if( name == "pgains" )
                // read all the float values into a vector
                _piddata->pgains = vector<dReal>((istream_iterator<dReal>(_ss)),
istream_iterator<dReal>());
            else if( name == "igains" )
                // read all the float values into a vector
                _piddata->igains = vector<dReal>((istream_iterator<dReal>(_ss)),
istream_iterator<dReal>());
            else
                RAVELOG_ERROR("unknown field %s\n", name.c_str());

            return false;
        }

        virtual void characters(const std::string& ch)
        {
            _ss.clear();
            _ss << ch;
        }
    protected:
        boost::shared_ptr<XMLData> _piddata;
        stringstream _ss;
    };

    static BaseXMLReaderPtr CreateXMLReader(InterfaceBasePtr ptr, const Attribute
sList& atts)
    {
        // ptr is the robot interface that this reader is being created for
        return BaseXMLReaderPtr(new PIDXMLReader(boost::shared_ptr<XMLData>(), att
s));
    }

    CustomController(EnvironmentBasePtr penv) : ControllerBase(penv)
    {
    }
    virtual ~CustomController() {
    }

    virtual bool Init(RobotBasePtr robot, const std::vector<int>& dofindices, int
nControlTransformation)
    {
        _probot = robot;
        _dofindices = dofindices;
        _nControlTransformation = nControlTransformation;

        // read the gains from the XML
        boost::shared_ptr<XMLData> piddata = boost::dynamic_pointer_cast<XMLData>
(GetReadableInterface("piddata"));
        if( !!piddata ) {
            stringstream ss;
            ss << "piddata from custom XML reader is" << endl << "pgains: ";

```

```

        for(vector<dReal>::iterator it = piddata->pgains.begin(); it != pidda
ta->pgains.end(); ++it)
            ss << *it << " ";
        ss << endl << "igains: ";
        for(vector<dReal>::iterator it = piddata->igains.begin(); it != pidda
ta->igains.end(); ++it)
            ss << *it << " ";
        ss << endl;
        RAVELOG_INFOA(ss.str());
    }
    else
        RAVELOG_WARN("failed to find piddata\n");
    return true;
}

virtual const std::vector<int>& GetControlDOFIndices() const {
    return _dofindices;
}

virtual int IsControlTransformation() const {
    return _nControlTransformation;
}

virtual void Reset(int options) {
}

virtual bool SetDesired(const std::vector<dReal>& values, TransformConstPtr t
rans) {
    return false;
}

virtual bool SetPath(TrajectoryBaseConstPtr ptraj) {
    return false;
}

virtual void SimulationStep(dReal fTimeElapsed) {
}

virtual bool IsDone() {
    return false;
}

virtual dReal GetTime() const {
    return 0;
}

virtual RobotBasePtr GetRobot() const {
    return _probot;
}

protected:
    RobotBasePtr _probot;
    std::vector<int> _dofindices;
    int _nControlTransformation;
};

static boost::shared_ptr<void> s_RegisteredReader;

InterfaceBasePtr CreateInterfaceValidated(InterfaceType type, const std::string&
interfacename, std::istream& sinput, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)
{
    if( !s_RegisteredReader ) {
        s_RegisteredReader = RaveRegisterXMLReader(PT_Controller,"piddata",Custom
Controller::CreateXMLReader);
    }
}

```

```

    }
    switch(type) {
    case PT_Controller:
        if( interfacename == "customcontroller")
            return InterfaceBasePtr(new CustomController(penv));
        break;
    default:
        break;
    }
    return InterfaceBasePtr();
}

void GetPluginAttributesValidated(PLUGININFO& info)
{
    info.interfacenames[PT_Controller].push_back("CustomController");
}

OPENRAVE_PLUGIN_API void DestroyPlugin()
{
    s_RegisteredReader.reset(); // unregister the reader
}

```

## 12.2 FindOpenRAVE.cmake

Allows OpenRAVE installation to be found when using the CMake build system.

```

# - Find Open Robotics Automation Virtual Environment (OpenRAVE) Installation
# http://www.openrave.org
#
# OpenRAVE provides an environment for testing, developing, and deploying motion
# planning algorithms
# in real-world robotics applications. The main focus is on simulation and analysis
# of kinematic and
# geometric information related to motion planning. OpenRAVE's stand-alone nature
# allows it to be easily
# integrated into existing robotics systems. An important target application is industrial
# robotics automation.

#=====
#
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#=====
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#  License text for the above reference.)
#=====
#
set(_OpenRAVE_PATHS)

```

```

if(NOT OpenRAVE_DIR)
  if( WIN32 )
    # search in the registry
    set(_OpenRAVE_CONFIG_NAME "openrave-config.exe")
    get_filename_component(OpenRAVE_VERSION_STRING "[HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE
    \\OpenRAVE;]" NAME)
    message(STATUS "OpenRAVE ${OpenRAVE_VERSION_STRING} found in registry")
    if( OpenRAVE_VERSION_STRING )
      get_filename_component(_OpenRAVE_PATH "[HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE\\OpenR
      AVE\\${OpenRAVE_VERSION_STRING};InstallRoot]" ABSOLUTE)
      set(_OpenRAVE_PATHS ${_OpenRAVE_PATHS} ${_OpenRAVE_PATH})
    endif( OpenRAVE_VERSION_STRING )
  else(WIN32)
    set(_OpenRAVE_CONFIG_NAME "openrave-config")
  endif(WIN32)
  # search for the config path
  find_program(_OpenRAVE_CONFIG_EXECUTABLE NAMES ${_OpenRAVE_CONFIG_NAME} DOC "op
  enrave executable")
  if( _OpenRAVE_CONFIG_EXECUTABLE )
    get_filename_component(_OpenRAVE_PATH "${_OpenRAVE_CONFIG_EXECUTABLE}" PATH)
    # bin
    get_filename_component(_OpenRAVE_PATH "${_OpenRAVE_PATH}" PATH)
    set(_OpenRAVE_PATHS ${_OpenRAVE_PATHS} ${_OpenRAVE_PATH})
  endif( _OpenRAVE_CONFIG_EXECUTABLE )
endif(NOT OpenRAVE_DIR)

find_package(OpenRAVE NO_MODULE PATHS ${_OpenRAVE_PATHS})

```

## 12.3 ikfastloader.cpp

### Author

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### Usage:

```
ikloader [robot filename] [iktype]
```

### Example:

```
ikloader robots/barrettwam.robot.xml Transform6D
```

Show how to load an ikfast solver from C++ by specifying the robot and iktype.

### Full Example Code:

```

#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

```



```

#include <stdio.h>

#include <boost/iostreams/device/file_descriptor.hpp>
#include <boost/iostreams/stream.hpp>
#include <boost/format.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    if( argc < 3 ) {
        RAVELOG_INFO("ikloader robot iktype\n");
        return 1;
    }

    string robotname = argv[1];
    string iktype = argv[2];
    RaveInitialize(true); // start openrave core

    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment(); // create the main environ
    ment

    {
        // lock the environment to prevent changes
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex());
        // load the scene
        RobotBasePtr probot = penv->ReadRobotXMLFile(robotname);
        if( !probot ) {
            penv->Destroy();
            return 2;
        }
        penv->AddRobot(probot);

        ModuleBasePtr pikfast = RaveCreateModule(penv, "ikfast");
        penv->AddModule(pikfast, "");
        stringstream ssin, ssout;
        ssin << "LoadIKFastSolver " << probot->GetName() << " " << iktype;
        // if necessary, add free inc for degrees of freedom
        //ssin << " " << 0.04f;
        // set the active manipulator
        probot->SetActiveManipulator(probot->GetManipulators().at(0)->GetName());

        if( !pikfast->SendCommand(ssout, ssin) ) {
            RAVELOG_ERROR("failed to load iksolver\n");
            penv->Destroy();
            return 1;
        }

        RAVELOG_INFO("testing random ik\n");
        vector<dReal> vsolution;
        if( !probot->GetActiveManipulator()->FindIKSolution(IkParameterization(pr
        obot->GetActiveManipulator()->GetEndEffectorTransform()), vsolution, true) ) {
            RAVELOG_INFO("failed to get solution\n");
        }
        else {
            stringstream ss; ss << "solution is: ";

```

```

        for(size_t i = 0; i < vsolution.size(); ++i) {
            ss << vsolution[i] << " ";
        }
        ss << endl;
        RAVELOG_INFO(ss.str());
    }

    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return 0;
}

```

## 12.4 opencvsaving.cpp

Author

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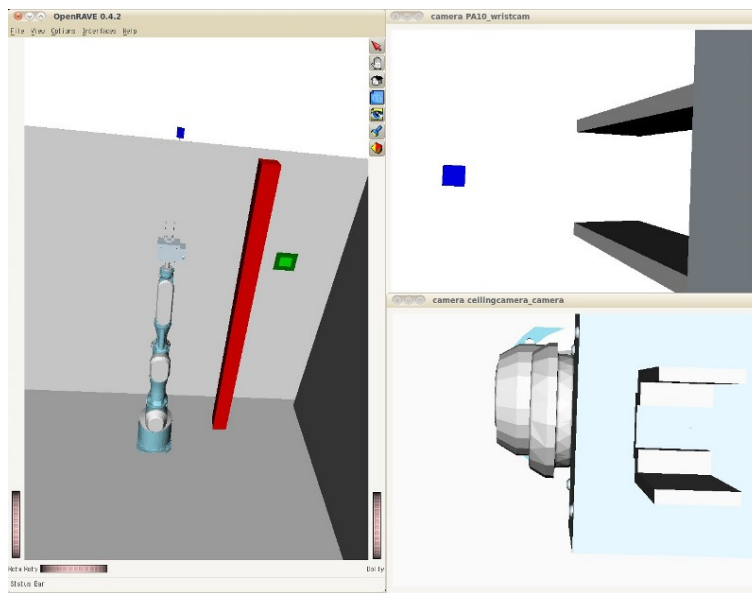


Figure 2: OpenRAVE Environment with two cameras.

This example shows how to enable all cameras loaded in an environment and convert their image data to the OpenCV `IplImage` structure. Then `cvSaveImage` is called for each image.

```

#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>

```

```

#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>
#include <opencv/cv.h>
#include <opencv/highgui.h>

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <winsock2.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    BOOST_ASSERT(!viewer);

    // attach it to the environment:
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);

    // finally you call the viewer's infinite loop (this is why you need a separate thread) :
    bool showgui = true;
    viewer->main(showgui);
}

class OpenRAVECamera
{
public:
    OpenRAVECamera(SensorBasePtr psensor)
    {
        pcamera=psensor;
        pdata = boost::static_pointer_cast<SensorBase::CameraSensorData>(pcamera->CreateSensorData(SensorBase::ST_Camera));
        geom = *boost::static_pointer_cast<SensorBase::CameraGeomData>(pcamera->GetSensorGeometry(SensorBase::ST_Camera));
        img = cvCreateImage(cvSize(geom.width,geom.height), IPL_DEPTH_8U, 3);
    }
    virtual ~OpenRAVECamera() {
        cvReleaseImage(&img);
    }

    SensorBasePtr pcamera;
    SensorBase::CameraGeomData geom;
    boost::shared_ptr<SensorBase::CameraSensorData> pdata;
    IplImage* img;
};

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    RaveInitialize(true); // start openrave core
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment(); // create the main environment
    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,"qtcoin"));
    penv->Load("data/pal0calib_envcamera.env.xml");
}

```

```

std::vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
if( vrobots.size() > 0 ) {
    RAVELOG_INFO("moving the robot a little\n");
    Transform t = vrobots.at(0)->GetTransform();
    t.trans.x += 0.6;
    vrobots.at(0)->SetTransform(t);
}

// extract all the cameras
std::vector<SensorBasePtr> allsensors;
penv->GetSensors(allsensors);
std::vector< boost::shared_ptr<OpenRAVECamera> > vcameras;
for( std::vector<SensorBasePtr>::iterator itsensor = allsensors.begin(); itsensor != allsensors.end(); ++itsensor ) {
    if( (*itsensor)->Supports(SensorBase::ST_Camera) ) {
        (*itsensor)->Configure(SensorBase::CC_PowerOn);
        (*itsensor)->Configure(SensorBase::CC_RenderDataOn);
        vcameras.push_back(boost::shared_ptr<OpenRAVECamera>(new OpenRAVECamera(*itsensor)));
    }
}
while(1) {
    // read the camera data and save the image
    for(size_t icamera = 0; icamera < vcameras.size(); ++icamera) {
        vcameras[icamera]->pcamera->GetSensorData(vcameras[icamera]->pdata);
        if( vcameras[icamera]->pdata->vimagedata.size() > 0 ) {
            char* imageData = vcameras[icamera]->img->imageData;
            uint8_t* src = &vcameras[icamera]->pdata->vimagedata.at(0);
            for(int i=0; i < vcameras[icamera]->geom.height; i++, imageData += vcameras[icamera]->img->widthStep, src += 3*vcameras[icamera]->geom.width) {
                for(int j=0; j<vcameras[icamera]->geom.width; j++) {
                    imageData[3*j] = src[3*j];
                    imageData[3*j+1] = src[3*j+1];
                    imageData[3*j+2] = src[3*j+2];
                }
            }
            string filename = str(boost::format("camera%d.jpg"%icamera);
            RAVELOG_INFO(str(boost::format("saving image %s"%filename));
            cvSaveImage(filename.c_str(),vcameras[icamera]->img);
        }
    }
    usleep(200000);
}

return 0;
}

```

## 12.5 orcollision.cpp

### Author

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Usage:

- **--list** - List all the loadable interfaces (ie, collision checkers).
- **--checker** - name Load a different collision checker instead of the default one.
- **--joints #values [values]** - Set the robot to specific joint values

```
orcollision --checker ode robots/barrettwam.robot.xml
```

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

void printhelp()
{
    RAVELOG_INFO("orcollision [--list] [--checker checker_name] [--joints #values
        [values]] body_model\n");
}

void printinterfaces(EnvironmentBasePtr penv)
{
    std::map<InterfaceType, std::vector<std::string> > interfacenames;
    RaveGetLoadedInterfaces(interfacenames);
    stringstream ss;

    ss << endl << "Loadable interfaces: " << endl;
    for(std::map<InterfaceType, std::vector<std::string> >::iterator itinterface
        = interfacenames.begin(); itinterface != interfacenames.end(); ++itinterface) {
        ss << RaveGetInterfaceName(itinterface->first) << "(" << itinterface->sec
            ond.size() << "):" << endl;
        for(vector<string>::iterator it = itinterface->second.begin(); it != itin
            terface->second.end(); ++it)
            ss << " " << *it << endl;
        ss << endl;
    }
    RAVELOG_INFO(ss.str());
}
```

```

}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    if( argc < 2 ) {
        printhelp();
        return -1; // no robots to load
    }

    RaveInitialize(true); // start openrave core
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment(); // create the main environ
    ment
    vector<dReal> vsetvalues;

    // parse the command line options
    int i = 1;
    while(i < argc) {
        if((strcmp(argv[i], "-h") == 0) || (strcmp(argv[i], "-?") == 0) || (strcmp(ar
        gv[i], "/?") == 0) || (strcmp(argv[i], "--help") == 0) || (strcmp(argv[i], "-help") =
        = 0)) {
            printhelp();
            return 0;
        }
        else if( strcmp(argv[i], "--checker") == 0 ) {
            // create requested collision checker
            CollisionCheckerBasePtr pchecker = RaveCreateCollisionChecker(penv,ar
            gv[i+1]);
            if( !pchecker ) {
                RAVELOG_ERROR("failed to create checker %s\n", argv[i+1]);
                return -3;
            }
            penv->SetCollisionChecker(pchecker);
            i += 2;
        }
        else if( strcmp(argv[i], "--list") == 0 ) {
            printinterfaces(penv);
            return 0;
        }
        else if( strcmp(argv[i], "--joints") == 0 ) {
            vsetvalues.resize(atoi(argv[i+1]));
            for(int j = 0; j < (int)vsetvalues.size(); ++j)
                vsetvalues[j] = atoi(argv[i+j+2]);

            i += 2+vsetvalues.size();
        }
        else
            break;
    }

    if( i >= argc ) {
        RAVELOG_ERROR("not enough parameters\n");
        printhelp();
        return 1;
    }

    // load the scene
    if( !penv->Load(argv[i]) ) {

```

```

        return 2;
    }

    // lock the environment to prevent thigns from changes
    EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex());

    vector<KinBodyPtr> vbodies;
    penv->GetBodies(vbodies);
    // get the first body
    if( vbodies.size() == 0 ) {
        RAVELOG_ERROR("no bodies loaded\n");
        return -3;
    }

    KinBodyPtr pbody = vbodies.at(0);
    vector<dReal> values;
    pbody->GetDOFValues(values);

    // set new values
    for(int i = 0; i < (int)vsetvalues.size() && i < (int)values.size(); ++i) {
        values[i] = vsetvalues[i];
    }
    pbody->SetDOFValues(values,true);

    int contactpoints = 0;
    CollisionReportPtr report(new CollisionReport());
    penv->GetCollisionChecker()->SetCollisionOptions(CO_Contacts);
    if( pbody->CheckSelfCollision(report) ) {
        contactpoints = (int)report->contacts.size();
        stringstream ss;
        ss << "body in self-collision "
            << (!!report->plink1 ? report->plink1->GetName() : "") << ":"
            << (!!report->plink2 ? report->plink2->GetName() : "") << " at "
            << contactpoints << "contacts" << endl;
        for(int i = 0; i < contactpoints; ++i) {
            CollisionReport::CONTACT& c = report->contacts[i];
            ss << "contact" << i << ": pos=("
                << c.pos.x << ", " << c.pos.y << ", " << c.pos.z << "), norm=("
                << c.norm.x << ", " << c.norm.y << ", " << c.norm.z << ")" << endl;
        }
        RAVELOG_INFOA(ss.str());
    }
    else {
        RAVELOG_INFO("body not in collision\n");
    }

    // get the transformations of all the links
    vector<Transform> vlinktransforms;
    pbody->GetLinkTransformations(vlinktransforms);

    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return contactpoints;
}

```

## 12.6 orconveyormovement.cpp

### Author

Rosen Diankov

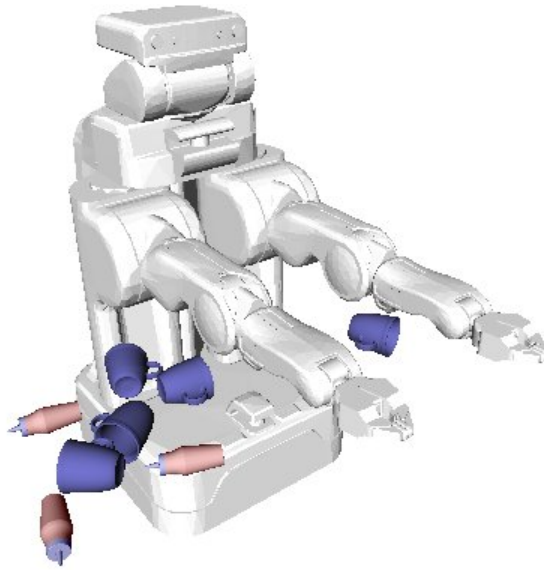


Figure 3: Parts moving on a conveyor belt.

Shows how to setup a simulation loop to move objects around a conveyor belt.

### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <sstream>
#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <windows.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

class ConveyorBeltModule : public ModuleBase
```



```

{
    struct RegisteredBody
    {
        string filename;
        dReal appearanceprobability;    // probably of appearance in 1 second
    };

    struct InstancedBody
    {
        KinBodyPtr pbody;
        dReal timeleft;
    };
    SpaceSamplerBasePtr _psampler;
public:
    ConveyorBeltModule(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, std::istream& is) : ModuleBase(penv)
    {
        __description = "Handles conveyor belt movement";
        RegisterCommand("registerbody", boost::bind(&ConveyorBeltModule::RegisterBody, this, _1, _2), "registers a body to be put into the environment");
        movevel = Vector(0, 0.4, 0);
        start = Vector(0.5, -1, 0.6);
        _psampler = RaveCreateSpaceSampler(penv, "mt19937");
    }

    int main(const string& cmd)
    {
        return 0;
    }

    bool RegisterBody(ostream& sout, istream& sinput)
    {
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(GetEnv()->GetMutex());
        RegisteredBody body;
        sinput >> body.filename >> body.appearanceprobability;
        if( !sinput ) {
            return false;
        }
        _listregistered.push_back(body);
        return true;
    }

    bool SimulationStep(dReal fElapsedTime)
    {
        for(list<RegisteredBody>::iterator it = _listregistered.begin(); it != _listregistered.end(); ++it) {
            // appearanceprobability is in seconds, so have to transform
            dReal appearanceprobability = 1-pow(1-it->appearanceprobability, fElapsedTime);
            vector<dReal> vsample;
            _psampler->SampleSequence(vsample, 4, IT_OpenStart);
            if( vsample.at(0) < appearanceprobability ) {
                KinBodyPtr pbody = GetEnv()->ReadKinBodyXMLFile(it->filename);
                GetEnv()->AddKinBody(pbody, true);
                InstancedBody b;
                for(int iter = 0; iter < 10; ++iter) {
                    Transform t;

```

```

        t.rot = geometry::quatFromAxisAngle<dReal>(Vector(0,0,1),vsam
ple.at(1)*2*PI);
        t.trans = start + Vector(vsam
ple.at(2)-0.5,vsam
ple.at(3)-0.5,
0)*0.4;
        pbody->SetTransform(t);
        if( !GetEnv()->CheckCollision(KinBodyConstPtr(pbody)) ) {
            b.pbody = pbody;
            break;
        }
    }

    if( !b.pbody ) {
        GetEnv()->Remove(pbody);
    }
    else {
        b.timeleft = 4.0;
        _listinstances.push_back(b);
    }
}

list<InstancedBody>::iterator it = _listinstances.begin();
while(it != _listinstances.end() ) {
    Transform t = it->pbody->GetTransform();
    t.trans += fElapsedTime*movevel;
    it->pbody->SetTransform(t);
    it->timeleft -= fElapsedTime;
    if( it->timeleft <= 0 ) {
        GetEnv()->Remove(it->pbody);
        it = _listinstances.erase(it);
    }
    else {
        ++it;
    }
}
return false;
}

static InterfaceBasePtr create(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, std::istream& is)
{
    return InterfaceBasePtr(new ConveyorBeltModule(penv,is));
}

private:
    Vector start, movevel;
    list<RegisteredBody> _listregistered;
    list<InstancedBody> _listinstances;
};

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)

```

```

{
    // initialize openrave and register the conveyor module
    RaveInitialize(true);
    boost::shared_ptr<void> handle = RaveRegisterInterface(PT_Module, "conveyorbelt", OPENRAVE_MODULE_HASH, OPENRAVE_ENVIRONMENT_HASH, ConveyorBeltModule::create);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();

    // load the environment
    string scenefilename = "robots/pr2-beta-static.zae";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer, penv, viewername)); // create the viewer
    penv->Load(scenefilename);

    // create the conveyor module and add a couple of bodies for simulation
    ModuleBasePtr p = RaveCreateModule(penv, "conveyorbelt");
    penv->AddModule(p, "");
    stringstream sout, sin("registerbody data/mug1.kinbody.xml 0.6");
    p->SendCommand(sout, sin);
    sin.clear();
    sin.str("registerbody data/ketchup.kinbody.xml 0.3");
    p->SendCommand(sout, sin);

    thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return 0;
}

```

## 12.7 orikfilter.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to use set a custom inverse kinematics filter to add extra constraints.

### Full Example Code:

```

#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <sstream>
#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
inline static uint32_t GetMilliTime()
{
    LARGE_INTEGER count, freq;
    QueryPerformanceCounter(&count);
    QueryPerformanceFrequency(&freq);
    return (uint32_t)((count.QuadPart * 1000) / freq.QuadPart);
}

```

```

}
#else

inline static void getWallTime(uint32_t& sec, uint32_t& nsec)
{
    struct timeval timeofday;
    gettimeofday(&timeofday, NULL);
    sec = timeofday.tv_sec;
    nsec = timeofday.tv_usec * 1000;
}

inline static uint32_t GetMilliTime()
{
    uint32_t sec, nsec;
    getWallTime(sec, nsec);
    return (uint64_t)sec*1000 + (uint64_t)nsec/1000000;
}

#endif

// quit after 100 milliseconds
IkFilterReturn MyTimeoutFilter(std::vector<dReal>&, RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr, co
    nst IkParameterization&, uint32_t starttime)
{
    if( GetMilliTime()-starttime > 100 ) {
        RAVELOG_INFO("quitting\n");
        return IKFR_Quit;
    }
    return IKFR_Success;
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/pr2test1.env.xml";
    RaveInitialize(true);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();
    penv->Load(scenefilename);

    vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
    penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
    RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);
    probot->SetActiveManipulator("leftarm_torso");
    RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr pmanip = probot->GetActiveManipulator();

    // load inverse kinematics using ikfast
    ModuleBasePtr pikfast = RaveCreateModule(penv, "ikfast");
    penv->AddModule(pikfast, "");
    stringstream ssin, ssout;
    vector<dReal> vsolution;
    ssin << "LoadIKFastSolver " << probot->GetName() << " " << (int)IKP_Transform
        6D;
    if( !pikfast->SendCommand(ssout, ssin) ) {
        RAVELOG_ERROR("failed to load iksolver\n");
    }
    if( !pmanip->GetIkSolver() ) {
        penv->Destroy();
        return 1;
    }
}

```

```

    }

    probot->SetActiveDOFs(pmanip->GetArmIndices());
    vector<dReal> vlower,vupper;

    while(1) {
        {
            EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environ
            ment

            // move robot randomly
            probot->SetActiveDOFLimits(vlower,vupper);
            vector<dReal> v(pmanip->GetArmIndices().size());
            for(size_t i = 0; i < vlower.size(); ++i) {
                v[i] = vlower[i] + (vupper[i]-vlower[i])*RaveRandomFloat();
            }
            probot->SetActiveDOFValues(v);
            bool bincollision = !penv->CheckCollision(probot) && !probot->CheckSe
            lfCollision();

            uint32_t starttime = GetMilliTime();
            UserDataPtr filterhandle = pmanip->GetIkSolver()->RegisterCustomFilt
            er(0,boost::bind(MyTimeoutFilter,_1,_2,_3,starttime));
            bool bsuccess = pmanip->FindIKSolution(pmanip->GetIkParameterization(
            IKP_Transform6D),v,IKFO_CheckEnvCollisions);
            RAVELOG_INFO("in collision: %d, real success %d, time passed: %d\n",b
            incollision,bsuccess,GetMilliTime()-starttime);
        }
    }

    RaveDestroy();
    return 0;
}

```

## 12.8 orloadviewer.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to load a robot into the openrave environment and start a viewer.

Usage:

```
orloadviewer [--num n] [--scene filename] viewername
```

- **--num** - Number of environments/viewers to create simultaneously
- **--scene** - The filename of the scene to load.

Example:

```
./orloadviewer --scene data/lab1.env.xml qtcoin
```

**Full Example Code:**

```

#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    BOOST_ASSERT(!viewer);

    // attach it to the environment:
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);

    // finally you call the viewer's infinite loop (this is why you need a separate thread):
    bool showgui = true;
    viewer->main(showgui);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    //int num = 1;
    string scenefilename = "data/lab1.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";

    // parse the command line options
    int i = 1;
    while(i < argc) {
        if((strcmp(argv[i], "-h") == 0)|| (strcmp(argv[i], "-?") == 0)|| (strcmp(argv[i], "/"?) == 0)|| (strcmp(argv[i], "--help") == 0)|| (strcmp(argv[i], "-help") == 0)) {
            RAVELOG_INFO("orloadviewer [--num n] [--scene filename] viewername\n");
            return 0;
        }
        //          else if( strcmp(argv[i], "--num") == 0 ) {
        //              num = atoi(argv[i+1]);
        //              i += 2;
        //          }
        else if( strcmp(argv[i], "--scene") == 0 ) {
            scenefilename = argv[i+1];
            i += 2;
        }
        else
            break;
    }
    if( i < argc ) {

```

```
        viewername = argv[i++];
    }

    RaveInitialize(true); // start openrave core
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment(); // create the main environment
    RaveSetDebugLevel(Level_Debug);

    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername));
    penv->Load(scenefilename); // load the scene
    thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return 0;
}
```

## 12.9 ormulticontrol.cpp

### Author

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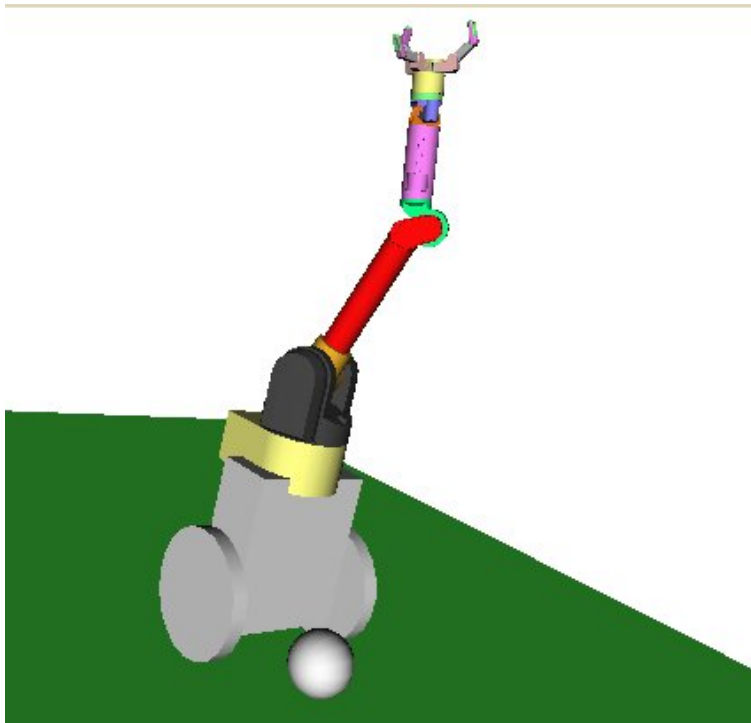


Figure 4: Base moves with velocity control, arm moves with position control.

Shows how to set two controllers for a robot using the MultiController class. The differential base moves with velocity control while the arm moves with position control.

**Full Example Code:**

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <openrave/planningutils.h>
#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <windows.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/diffdrive_arm.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    RaveInitialize(true);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();
    penv->SetDebugLevel(Level_Debug);

    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername)); // create the
        viewer
    usleep(400000); // wait for the viewer to init

    penv->Load(scenefilename);

    // attach a physics engine
    penv->SetPhysicsEngine(RaveCreatePhysicsEngine(penv,"ode"));
    penv->GetPhysicsEngine()->SetGravity(Vector(0,0,-9.8));

    vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
    penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
    RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);
    std::vector<dReal> q;

    vector<int> wheelindices, restindices;
    ControllerBasePtr wheelcontroller, armcontroller;
    // create the controllers, make sure to lock environment!
```



```

{
    EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environment

    MultiControllerPtr multi(new MultiController(penv));
    vector<int> dofindices(probot->GetDOF());
    for(int i = 0; i < probot->GetDOF(); ++i) {
        dofindices[i] = i;
    }
    probot->SetController(multi,dofindices,1); // control everything
    // set the velocity controller on all joints that have 'wheel' in their description
    for(std::vector<KinBody::JointPtr>::const_iterator itjoint = probot->GetJoints().begin(); itjoint != probot->GetJoints().end(); ++itjoint) {
        if( (*itjoint)->GetName().find("wheel") != string::npos ) {
            for(int i = 0; i < (*itjoint)->GetDOF(); ++i) {
                wheelindices.push_back((*itjoint)->GetDOFIndex()+i);
            }
        }
        else {
            for(int i = 0; i < (*itjoint)->GetDOF(); ++i) {
                restindices.push_back((*itjoint)->GetDOFIndex()+i);
            }
        }
    }

    if(wheelindices.size() > 0 ) {
        wheelcontroller = RaveCreateController(penv,"odevelocity");
        multi->AttachController(wheelcontroller,wheelindices,0);
    }

    if( restindices.size() > 0 ) {
        armcontroller = RaveCreateController(penv,"idealcontroller");
        multi->AttachController(armcontroller,restindices,0);
    }
    else {
        RAVELOG_WARN("robot needs to have wheels and arm for demo to work\n");
    }
;
}

while(1) {
    {
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environment

        if( !!armcontroller ) {
            // set a trajectory on the arm and velocity on the wheels
            TrajectoryBasePtr traj = RaveCreateTrajectory(penv,"");
            probot->SetActiveDOFs(restindices);
            ConfigurationSpecification spec = probot->GetActiveConfigurationSpecification();
            int timeoffset = spec.AddDeltaTime();
            traj->Init(spec);
            probot->GetActiveDOFValues(q); // get current values
            vector<dReal> vdata(spec.GetDOF(),0);
            std::copy(q.begin(),q.end(),vdata.begin());

```

```

        traj->Insert(0,vdata);
        for(int i = 0; i < 4; ++i) {
            q.at(RaveRandomInt()%restindices.size()) += RaveRandomFloat()
-0.5; // move a random axis
        }

        // check for collisions
        {
            RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // add a state save
r so robot is not moved permanently
            probot->SetActiveDOFValues(q);
            if( probot->CheckSelfCollision() ) { // don't check env colli
sions since we have physics enabled
                continue; // robot in collision at final point, so reject
            }
        }

        std::copy(q.begin(),q.end(),vdata.begin());
        vdata.at(timeoffset) = 2; // trajectory takes 2s
        traj->Insert(1,vdata);
        planningutils::RetimeActiveDOFTrajectory(traj,probot,true);
        armcontroller->SetPath(traj);
    }

    if( !wheelcontroller ) {
        stringstream sout,ss; ss << "setvelocity ";
        for(size_t i = 0; i < wheelindices.size(); ++i) {
            ss << 2*(RaveRandomFloat()-0.5) << " ";
        }
        if( !wheelcontroller->SendCommand(sout,ss) ) {
            RAVELOG_WARN("failed to send velocity command\n");
        }
    }
}

// unlock the environment and wait for the arm controller to finish (whee
l controller will never finish)
if( !armcontroller ) {
    usleep(2000000);
}
else {
    while(!armcontroller->IsDone()) {
        usleep(1000);
    }
}

thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
penv->Destroy(); // destroy
return 0;
}

```

## 12.10 orplanning\_ik.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to use inverse kinematics and planners to move a robot's end-effector safely through the environment. The default manipulator is used for the robot.

### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <sstream>
#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <windows.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/pal0grasp2.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    RaveInitialize(true);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();

    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername)); // create the
        viewer
    usleep(200000); // wait for the viewer to init
    penv->Load(scenefilename);
    usleep(100000); // wait for the viewer to init

    vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
    penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
    RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);

    // find a manipulator chain to move
    for(size_t i = 0; i < probot->GetManipulators().size(); ++i) {
        if( probot->GetManipulators()[i]->GetName().find("arm") != string::npos )
        {
            probot->SetActiveManipulator(i);
            break;
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
}
RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr pmanip = probot->GetActiveManipulator();

// load inverse kinematics using ikfast
ModuleBasePtr pikfast = RaveCreateModule(penv,"ikfast");
penv->AddModule(pikfast,"");
stringstream ssin,ssout;
vector<dReal> vsolution;
ssin << "LoadIKFastSolver " << probot->GetName() << " " << (int)IKP_Transform
6D;
if( !pikfast->SendCommand(ssout,ssin) ) {
    RAVELOG_ERROR("failed to load iksolver\n");
}
if( !pmanip->GetIkSolver() ) {
    penv->Destroy();
    return 1;
}

ModuleBasePtr pbasemanip = RaveCreateModule(penv,"basemanipulation"); // crea
te the module
penv->AddModule(pbasemanip,probot->GetName()); // load the module

while(1) {
    {
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environ
ment

        // find a new manipulator position and feed that into the planner. If
valid, robot will move to it safely.
        Transform t = pmanip->GetEndEffectorTransform();
        t.trans += Vector(RaveRandomFloat()-0.5f,RaveRandomFloat()-0.5f,
RaveRandomFloat()-0.5f);
        t.rot = quatMultiply(t.rot,quatFromAxisAngle(Vector(RaveRandomFloat()
-0.5f,RaveRandomFloat()-0.5f,RaveRandomFloat()-0.5f)*0.2f));
        ssin.str("");
        ssin.clear();
        ssin << "MoveToHandPosition pose " << t;
        // start the planner and run the robot
        RAVELOG_INFO("%s\n",ssin.str().c_str());
        if( !pbasemanip->SendCommand(ssout,ssin) ) {
            continue;
        }
    }

    // unlock the environment and wait for the robot to finish
    while(!probot->GetController()->IsDone()) {
        usleep(1000);
    }
}

RaveDestroy();
thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
return 0;
}

```

## 12.11 orplanning\_module.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to use a planner from a module to move the arm without colliding into anything. The default values plan for all the joints of the robot.

### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <sstream>
#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <windows.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/wamtest1.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    RaveInitialize(true);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();

    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername)); // create the
        viewer
    usleep(200000); // wait for the viewer to init
    penv->Load(scenefilename);
    usleep(100000); // wait for the viewer to init

    vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
    penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
    RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);
    vector<dReal> vlower,vupper,v(probot->GetDOF());
    probot->GetDOFLimits(vlower,vupper);

    // set all dofs as active
    vector<int> vindices(probot->GetDOF());
    for(size_t i = 0; i < vindices.size(); ++i) {
        vindices[i] = i;
    }
}
```

```

    }
    probot->SetActiveDOFs(vindices);

    ModuleBasePtr pbasemanip = RaveCreateModule(penv,"basemanipulation"); // create the module
    penv->AddModule(pbasemanip,probot->GetName()); // load the module

    while(1) {
        {
            EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environment

            // find a set of free joint values for the robot
            {
                RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // save the state
                while(1) {
                    for(size_t i = 0; i < vlower.size(); ++i) {
                        v[i] = vlower[i] + (vupper[i]-vlower[i])*RaveRandomFloat(
                    );
                    }
                    probot->SetActiveDOFValues(v);
                    if( !penv->CheckCollision(probot) && !probot->CheckSelfCollision() ) {
                        break;
                    }
                }
                // robot state is restored
            }

            stringstream cmdin,cmdout;
            cmdin << "MoveActiveJoints goal ";
            for(size_t i = 0; i < v.size(); ++i) {
                cmdin << v[i] << " ";
            }

            // start the planner and run the robot
            RAVELOG_INFO("%s\n",cmdin.str().c_str());
            if( !pbasemanip->SendCommand(cmdout,cmdin) ) {
                continue;
            }
        }

        // unlock the environment and wait for the robot to finish
        while(!probot->GetController()->IsDone()) {
            usleep(1000);
        }
    }

    thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return 0;
}

```

## 12.12 orplanning\_planner.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to use a planner by directly creating the planner and setting the module parameters. The default values plan for the arm joints of a particular manipulator.

### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <sstream>
#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>
#include <boost/format.hpp>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <winsock2.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/hanoi_complex2.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    RaveInitialize(true);
    EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();
    RaveSetDebugLevel(Level_Debug);

    boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername)); // create the
        viewer
    usleep(200000); // wait for the viewer to init
    penv->Load(scenefilename);
    usleep(100000); // wait for the viewer to init

    vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
    penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
    RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);
    // find the longest manipulator chain to move
    RobotBase::ManipulatorPtr pmanip = probot->GetManipulators().at(0);
    for(size_t i = 1; i < probot->GetManipulators().size(); ++i) {
        if( pmanip->GetArmIndices().size() < probot->GetManipulators()[i]->GetArm
            Indices().size() ) {
```

```

        pmanip = probot->GetManipulators()[i];
    }
}
RAVELOG_INFO(str(boost::format("planning with manipulator %s\n")%pmanip->GetName()));

probot->SetActiveDOFs(pmanip->GetArmIndices());
vector<dReal> vlower,vupper;
probot->GetActiveDOFLimits(vlower,vupper);

// create a planner
PlannerBasePtr planner = RaveCreatePlanner(penv,"birrt");
PlannerBase::PlannerParametersPtr params(new PlannerBase::PlannerParameters());
params->nMaxIterations = 4000; // max iterations before failure
params->SetRobotActiveJoints(probot); // set planning configuration space to
    current active dofs
params->vgoalconfig.resize(probot->GetActiveDOF());

while(1) {
    GraphHandlePtr pgraph;
    {
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environment

        // find a set of free joint values for the robot
        {
            RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // save the state
            while(1) {
                for(size_t i = 0; i < vlower.size(); ++i) {
                    params->vgoalconfig[i] = vlower[i] + (vupper[i]-vlower[i]
)*RaveRandomFloat();
                }
                probot->SetActiveDOFValues(params->vgoalconfig);
                if( !penv->CheckCollision(probot) && !probot->CheckSelfCollision() ) {
                    break;
                }
            }
            // robot state is restored
        }

        RAVELOG_INFO("starting to plan\n");
        probot->SetActiveDOFValues(params->vinitialconfig);
        if( !planner->InitPlan(probot,params) ) {
            continue;
        }

        // create a new output trajectory
        TrajectoryBasePtr ptraj = RaveCreateTrajectory(penv,"");
        if( !planner->PlanPath(ptraj) ) {
            RAVELOG_WARN("plan failed, trying again\n");
            continue;
        }

        // draw the end effector of the trajectory
        {

```



```

        RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // save the state of the
        robot since will be setting joint values
        vector<RaveVector<float> > vpoints;
        vector<dReal> vtrajdata;
        for(dReal ftime = 0; ftime <= ptraj->GetDuration(); ftime += 0.01
    ) {
        ptraj->Sample(vtrajdata, ftime, probot->GetActiveConfigurationS
        pecification());
        probot->SetActiveDOFValues(vtrajdata);
        vpoints.push_back(pmanip->GetEndEffectorTransform().trans);
    }
    pgraph = penv->drawlinestrip(&vpoints[0].x, vpoints.size(), sizeof(
    vpoints[0]), 1.0f);
    }

    // send the trajectory to the robot
    probot->GetController()->SetPath(ptraj);
    }

    // wait for the robot to finish
    while(!probot->GetController()->IsDone()) {
        usleep(1000);
    }
    }

    thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
    penv->Destroy(); // destroy
    return 0;
}

```

## 12.13 orpythonbinding.cpp

### Author

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Shows how to creating python bindings with an [OpenRAVE](#) C++ plugin. The demo registers a python function to be called inside the environment simulation thread using a Module interface.

The compilation procedure will produce a orpythonbinding shared object or DLL, which can then be directly included into python.

The following python example will register 'mysimfunction' with the environment thread, and run it until it returns true.

```

from openravepy import *
env=openravepy.Environment()
RaveSetDebugLevel(DebugLevel.Debug)
import orpythonbinding
orpythonbinding.Init(RaveGlobalState())
totaltime = 0
def mysimfunction(elapsedtime):
    global totaltime

```

```

        totaltime += elapsedtime
        print 'this is the time',totaltime
    # return True to end the thread
    return totaltime > 5

module = orpythonbinding.RegisterSimulationFunction(RaveGetEnvironmentId(env),mysimfunction)
while True:
    sleep(1)

```

**Full Example Code:**

```

#include <openrave/openrave.h>

#include <boost/python.hpp>
#include <boost/python/exception_translator.hpp>
#include <boost/python/stl_iterator.hpp>
#include <pyconfig.h>

#include <exception>
#include <boost/shared_ptr.hpp>
#include <boost/format.hpp>
#include <boost/assert.hpp>

#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

class FunctionUserData : public UserData
{
public:
    virtual ~FunctionUserData() {
    }
    boost::python::object simulationfn;
};

class PythonBindingModule : public ModuleBase
{
public:
    PythonBindingModule(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, std::istream&) : ModuleBase(penv) {
        SetUserData(UserDataPtr(new FunctionUserData()));
    }
    virtual ~PythonBindingModule() {
        RAVELOG_DEBUG("destroying python binding\n");
    }

    virtual bool SimulationStep(dReal fElapsedTime) {
        boost::shared_ptr<FunctionUserData> p = boost::dynamic_pointer_cast<FunctionUserData>(GetUserData());
        bool ret = false;
        if(!!p) {
            PyGILState_STATE gstate = PyGILState_Ensure();

```

```

        try {
            ret = p->simulationfn(fElapsedTime);
        }
        catch(...) {
            RAVELOG_WARN("unknown exception in python callback, please register again:\n");
            PyErr_Print();
            ret = true;
        }
        PyGILState_Release(gstate);
        if( ret ) {
            GetEnv()->Remove(shared_from_this());
        }
    }
    return ret;
}
};

boost::shared_ptr<void> g_PythonBindingInterfaceHandle;

InterfaceBasePtr PythonBindingCreateInterface(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, std::istream& istream)
{
    return InterfaceBasePtr(new PythonBindingModule(penv, istream));
}

InterfaceBasePtr RegisterSimulationFunction(int environmentid, boost::python::object simulationfn)
{
    ModuleBasePtr module = RaveCreateModule(RaveGetEnvironment(environmentid), "PythonBinding");
    if( !module ) {
        boost::shared_ptr<FunctionUserData> p = boost::dynamic_pointer_cast<FunctionUserData>(module->GetUserData());
        p->simulationfn = simulationfn;
        module->GetEnv()->AddModule(module, "");
    }
    return InterfaceBasePtr(module);
}

void Init(UserDataPtr globalstate)
{
    RaveInitializeFromState(globalstate);
    if( !g_PythonBindingInterfaceHandle ) {
        g_PythonBindingInterfaceHandle = RaveRegisterInterface(PT_Module, "PythonBinding", OPENRAVE_MODULE_HASH, OPENRAVE_ENVIRONMENT_HASH, PythonBindingCreateInterface);
    }
}

BOOST_PYTHON_MODULE(orpythonbinding)
{
    boost::python::def("Init", Init, boost::python::args("globalstate"), "initializes the python bindings with the openrave global state");
    boost::python::def("RegisterSimulationFunction", RegisterSimulationFunction, boost::python::args("environmentid", "simulationfn"));
};

```

## 12.14 orshowsensors.cpp

### Author

Rosen Diankov

Shows how to toggle sensor power and rendering options

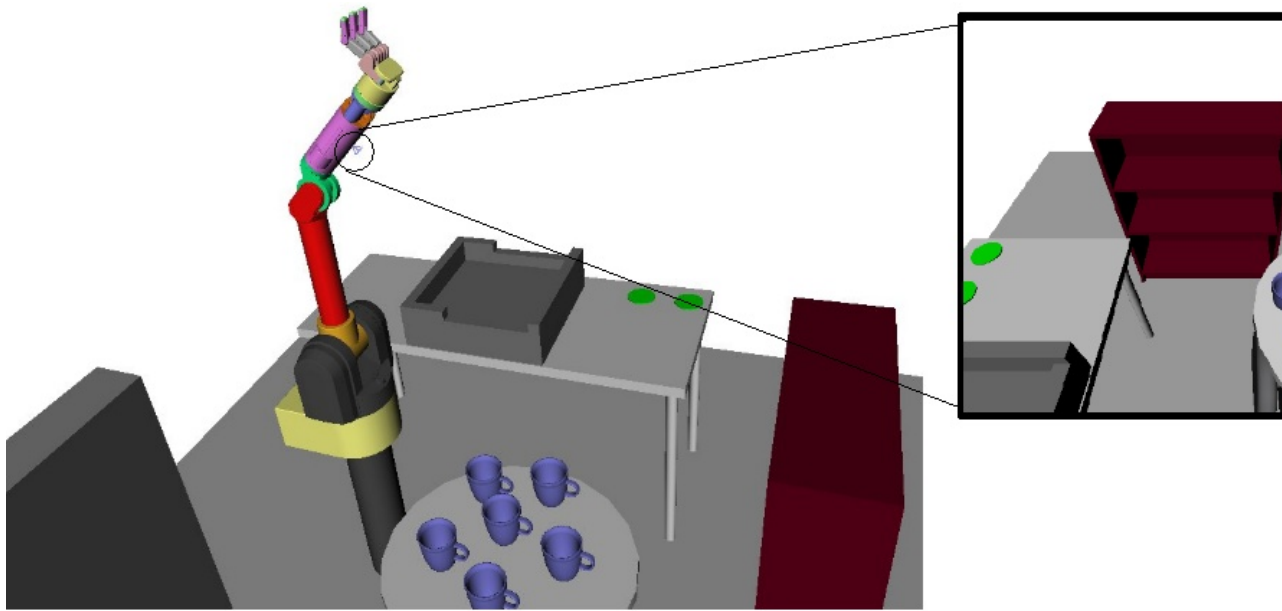


Figure 5: Camera Sensor.

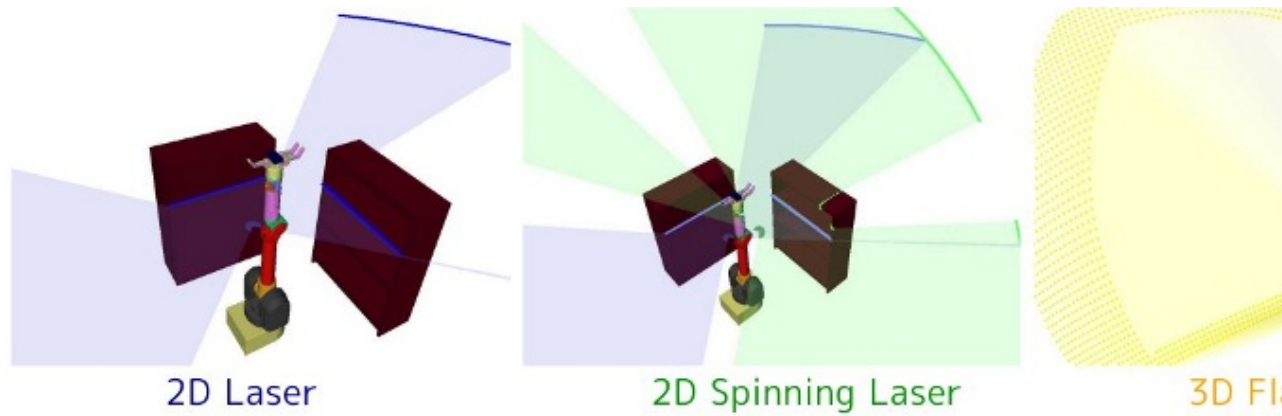


Figure 6: Laser Sensor.

**Full Example Code:**

```
#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>

#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <winsock2.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    BOOST_ASSERT(!viewer);

    // attach it to the environment:
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);

    // finally you call the viewer's infinite loop (this is why you need a separate thread):
    bool showgui = true;
    viewer->main(showgui);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    RaveInitialize(true); // start openrave core
```

```

EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment(); // create the main environ
ment
boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,"qtcoin"));
penv->Load("data/testwamcamera.env.xml");
size_t ienablesensor = 0;
// get all the sensors, this includes all attached robot sensors
std::vector<SensorBasePtr> sensors;
penv->GetSensors(sensors);
while(1) {
    for(size_t isensor = 0; isensor < sensors.size(); ++isensor) {
        sensors[isensor]->Configure(isensor == ienablesensor ? SensorBase::CC
_PowerOn : SensorBase::CC_PowerOff);
        sensors[isensor]->Configure(isensor == ienablesensor ? SensorBase::CC
_RenderDataOn : SensorBase::CC_RenderDataOff);
    }
    ienablesensor = (ienablesensor+1)%sensors.size();
    usleep(5000000); // 5s
}
return 0;
}

```

## 12.15 ortrajectory.cpp

### Author

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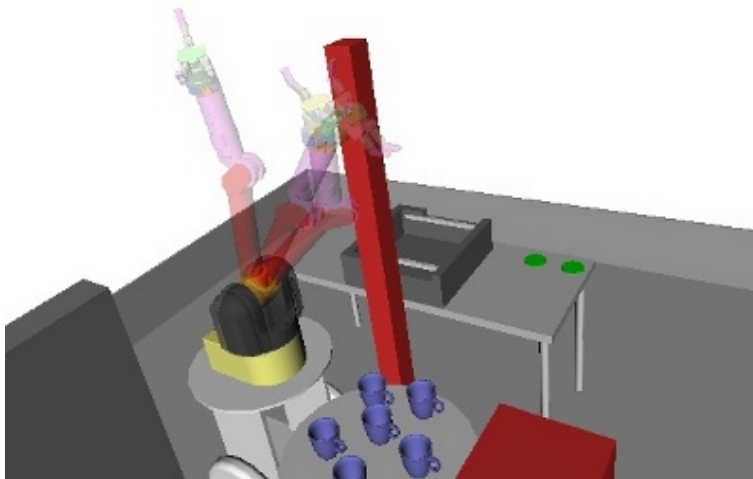


Figure 7: Robot moving in random configurations.

Shows how to send a cubicaly interpolated trajectory to the robot controller. The actual trajectory consists of two points: the current configuration and the target configuration.

```

TrajectoryBasePtr traj = RaveCreateTrajectory(penv, "");
traj->Init(probot->GetActiveConfigurationSpecification());
probot->GetActiveDOFValues(q); // get current values
traj->Insert(0,q);
q[0] = 0.5;
traj->Insert(1,q);
planningutils::RetimeActiveDOFTrajectory(probot,traj);

```

The demo also adds a collision check at the target point to make sure robot is going to a collision free configuration.

```

{
    RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // add a state saver so robot i
s not moved permanently
    probot->SetDOFValues(q);
    if( penv->CheckCollision(RobotBaseConstPtr(probot)) ) {
        continue; // robot in collision at final point, so reject
    }
}

```

In order for the path itself to be collision free, we would have to use planners.

#### Full Example Code:

```

#include <openrave-core.h>
#include <vector>
#include <cstring>
#include <sstream>

#include <boost/thread/thread.hpp>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>
#include <openrave/planningutils.h>

using namespace OpenRAVE;
using namespace std;

#ifdef _WIN32
#define WIN32_LEAN_AND_MEAN
#include <windows.h>
#define usleep(micro) Sleep(micro/1000)
#endif

void SetViewer(EnvironmentBasePtr penv, const string& viewername)
{
    ViewerBasePtr viewer = RaveCreateViewer(penv,viewername);
    penv->AddViewer(viewer);
    viewer->main(true);
}

int main(int argc, char ** argv)
{
    string scenefilename = "data/lab1.env.xml";
    string viewername = "qtcoin";
    RaveInitialize(true);

```

```

EnvironmentBasePtr penv = RaveCreateEnvironment();
penv->SetDebugLevel(Level_Debug);

boost::thread thviewer(boost::bind(SetViewer,penv,viewername)); // create the
viewer
usleep(300000); // wait for the viewer to init

penv->Load(scenefilename);
vector<RobotBasePtr> vrobots;
penv->GetRobots(vrobots);
RobotBasePtr probot = vrobots.at(0);
std::vector<dReal> q;

while(1) {
    {
        EnvironmentMutex::scoped_lock lock(penv->GetMutex()); // lock environ
ment

        TrajectoryBasePtr traj = RaveCreateTrajectory(penv,"");
        traj->Init(probot->GetActiveConfigurationSpecification());
        probot->GetActiveDOFValues(q); // get current values
        traj->Insert(0,q);
        q[RaveRandomInt()%probot->GetDOF()] += RaveRandomFloat()-0.5; // move
a random axis

        // check for collisions
        {
            RobotBase::RobotStateSaver saver(probot); // add a state saver so
robot is not moved permanently
            probot->SetDOFValues(q);
            if( penv->CheckCollision(RobotBaseConstPtr(probot)) ) {
                continue; // robot in collision at final point, so reject
            }
        }

        traj->Insert(1,q);
        planningutils::RetimeActiveDOFTrajectory(traj,probot);
        probot->GetController()->SetPath(traj);
        // setting through the robot is also possible: probot->SetMotion(traj
);
    }
    // unlock the environment and wait for the robot to finish
    while(!probot->GetController()->IsDone()) {
        usleep(1000);
    }
}

thviewer.join(); // wait for the viewer thread to exit
penv->Destroy(); // destroy
return 0;
}

```



## 12.16 plugin.cpp

### Author

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Creates a simple [OpenRAVE::ModuleBase](#) interface.

### Full Example Code:

```
#include <openrave/openrave.h>
#include <openrave/plugin.h>
#include <boost/bind.hpp>

using namespace std;
using namespace OpenRAVE;

class MyModule : public ModuleBase
{
public:
    MyModule(EnvironmentBasePtr penv) : ModuleBase(penv)
    {
        __description = "A very simple plugin.";
        RegisterCommand("numbodies", boost::bind(&MyModule::NumBodies, this, _1, _2),
            "returns bodies");
        RegisterCommand("load", boost::bind(&MyModule::Load, this, _1, _2), "loads a
            given file");
    }
    virtual ~MyModule() {}

    void Destroy() {
        RAVELOG_INFO("module unloaded from environment\n");
    }

    int main(const string& cmd)
    {
        RAVELOG_INFO("module initialized cmd; %s\n", cmd.c_str());
        return 0;
    }

    bool NumBodies(ostream& sout, istream& sinput)
    {
        vector<KinBodyPtr> vbodies;
        GetEnv()->GetBodies(vbodies);
        sout << vbodies.size(); // publish the results
        return true;
    }

    bool Load(ostream& sout, istream& sinput)
    {
        string filename;
        sinput >> filename;
        bool bSuccess = GetEnv()->Load(filename.c_str()); // load the file
        return bSuccess;
    }
}
```

```
};

InterfaceBasePtr CreateInterfaceValidated(InterfaceType type, const std::string&
    interfacename, std::istream& sinput, EnvironmentBasePtr penv)
{
    if((type == PT_Module)&&(interfacename == "mymodule")) {
        return InterfaceBasePtr(new MyModule(penv));
    }
    return InterfaceBasePtr();
}

void GetPluginAttributesValidated(PLUGININFO& info)
{
    info.interfacenames[PT_Module].push_back("MyModule");
}

OPENRAVE_PLUGIN_API void DestroyPlugin()
{
    RAVELOG_INFO("destroying plugin\n");
}
```