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YARP hands-on

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YARP from command line

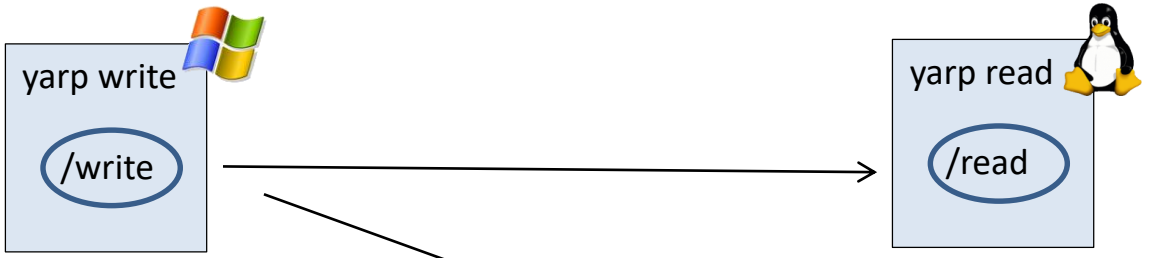
[on terminal 1] yarpserver
[on terminal 2] yarp read /read
[on terminal 3] yarp write /write /read


```
$ yarp write /write /read
Port /write listening at tcp://127.0.0.1:10012
yarp: Sending output from /write to /read using tcp
Added output connection from "/write" to "/read"
hello yarp
1 2 3
```

```
$ yarp read /read
Port /read listening at tcp://127.0.0.1:10002
yarp: Receiving input from /write to /read using tcp
hello yarp
1 2 3
```

yarp name list
yarp name query /read
yarp name register PORT CARRIER IP NUMBER
yarp name unregister PORT

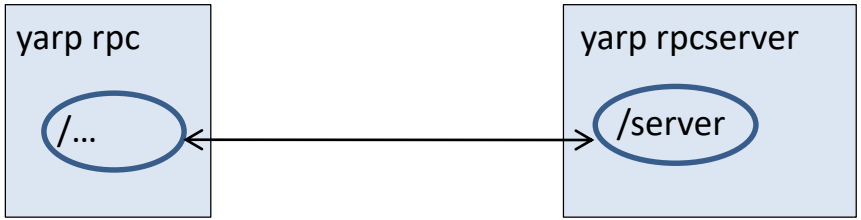
It is easy to add, for example, another reader…
Processes can run on different machines, with different OS



yarp connect /write /read
yarp connect /write /read2
…
yarp disconnect /write /read
yarp disconnect /write /read2

YARP RPC

[on terminal 1] yarpserver
[on terminal 2] yarp rpcserver /server
[on terminal 3] yarp rpc /server




```
$ yarp rpc /server
yarp rpc /server
hello
Response: hello to you
from client
Response: from server
^C
```

```
$ yarp rpcserver /server
Waiting for a message...
Message: hello
Reply: hello to you
Waiting for a message...
Message: from client
Reply: from server
```

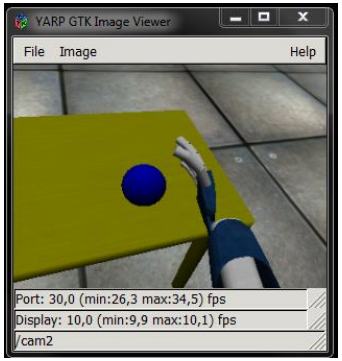
YARP configuration file

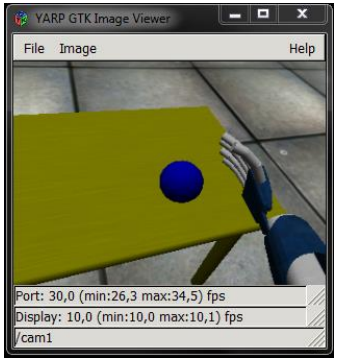
Where is the nameserver?
$ yarp detect

$ yarp conf
/home/icub/.config/yarp/yarp.conf

$ cat /home/icub/.config/yarp/yarp.conf
192.168.59.128 10000 yarp

- **yarpserver** by default decides based on the available network card (i.e. eth0) on which adapter/ip to listen
- You can manually modify the yarp.conf file to change adapter/ip.
- **yarpserver** can accept that (--read) or overwrite it (--write).

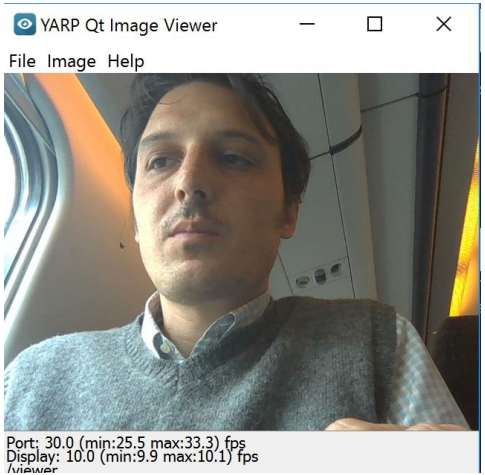





```
$ yarpdev --device test_grabber  --name /cam/right
$ yarpdev --device test_grabber --name /cam/left
$ yarpview --name /view1
$ yarpview --name /view2

$ yarp connect /cam/right /view1
$ yarp connect /cam/left /view2
```

Use your webcam!



Run ccmake in YARP's build directory

Make sure these CMake flags are enabled:
CREATE_DEVICE_LIBRARY_MODULES=ON
ENABLE_yarpmod_opencv_grabber=ON

Rebuild (and install):
$ make
$ sudo make install

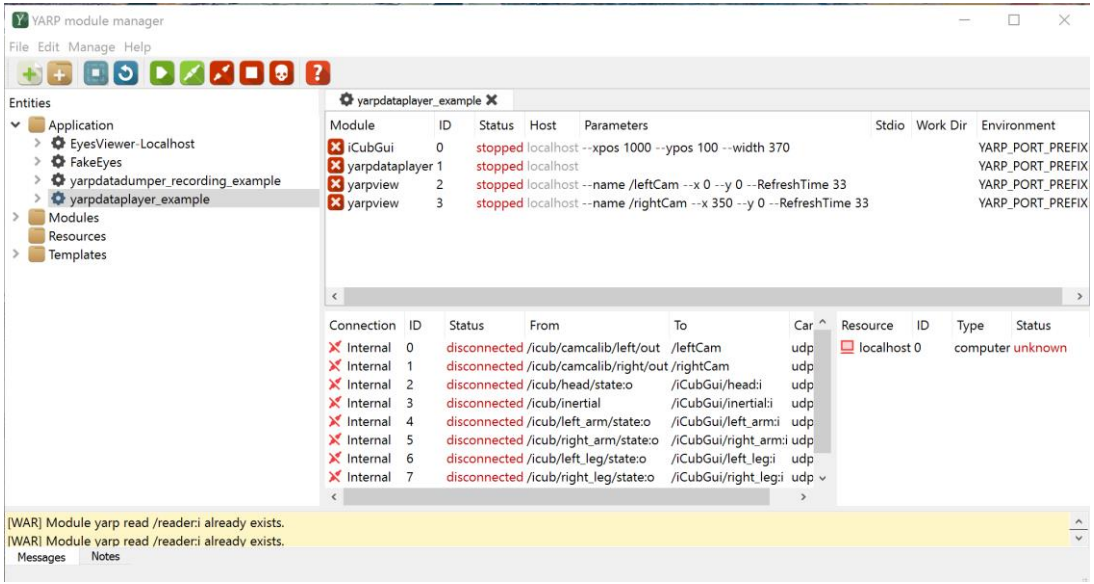
$ yarpview --name /viewer
$ yarpdev --device opencv_grabber --camera 0
$ yarp connect /grabber /viewer

Play recorded sequence

$ wget http://www.icub.org/download/software/datasetplayer-demo/testData_20120803_095402.zip

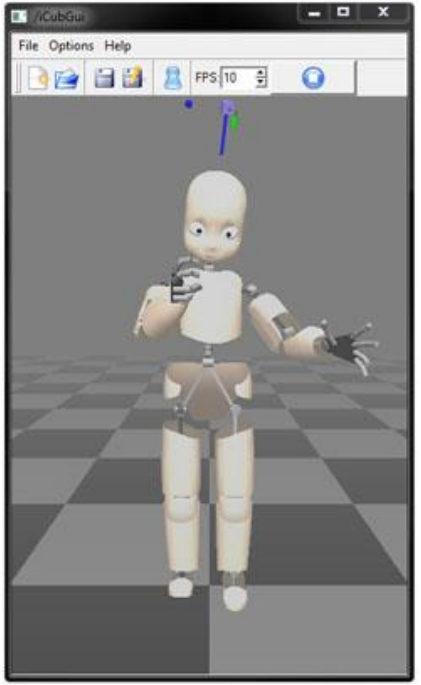
$ unzip testData_20120803_095402.zip

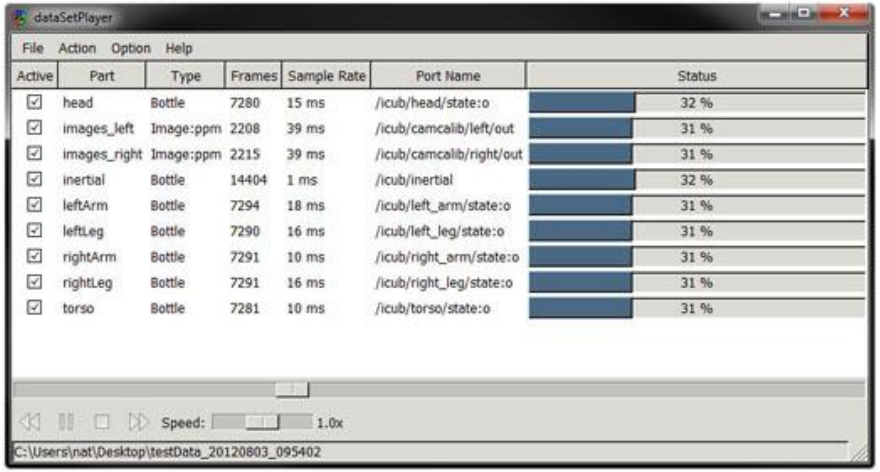
$ yarpmanager




YARP GTK Image Viewer
File Image Help
Port: 24,0 (min:13,7 max:29,4) fps
Display: 30,0 (min:25,0 max:32,3) fps
/leftCam


YARP GTK Image Viewer
File Image Help
Port: 25,0 (min:13,3 max:28,6) fps
Display: 30,0 (min:30,3 max:31,2) fps
/rightCam


/iCubGui
File Options Help
FPS 10


dataSetPlayer
File Action Option Help
Active Part Type Frames Sample Rate Port Name Status
head Bottle 7280 15 ms /icub/head/state:o 32 %
images_left Image:ppm 2208 39 ms /icub/camcalib/left/out 31 %
images_right Image:ppm 2215 39 ms /icub/camcalib/right/out 31 %
inertial Bottle 14404 1 ms /icub/inertial 32 %
leftArm Bottle 7294 18 ms /icub/left_arm/state:o 31 %
leftLeg Bottle 7290 16 ms /icub/left_leg/state:o 31 %
rightArm Bottle 7291 10 ms /icub/right_arm/state:o 31 %
rightLeg Bottle 7291 16 ms /icub/right_leg/state:o 31 %
torso Bottle 7281 10 ms /icub/torso/state:o 31 %
Speed: 1.0x
C:\Users\nat\Desktop\testData_20120803_095402

Or run the iCub simulator

$ iCub_SIM

$ yarpmotorgui

Controlling the simulator with the command line

- Set of ports for parts {head} {left_arm} {torso} etc…
- Ports:

/icubSim/head/rpc:i

/icubSim/head/command:i

/icubSim/head/state:o

```
$ yarp rpc /icubSim/head/rpc:i
>>get encs
Response: [is] encs (-0.000015 0.000004 -0.000004 -0.0 0.0 -0.0) [tsta] 1
1434026836.655992 [ok]
>>set pos 0 -10
Response: [ok]
>>set pos 1 20
Response: [ok]
>>set poss (0 0 0 0 0 0)
Response: [ok]
>>get encs
Response: [is] encs (-0.0005 0.000971 -0.000004 -0.0 0.0 -0.0) [tsta] 2
1434026858.553787 [ok]
>>
```

YARP from code

YARP Data types: Value

Value is a container able to store in a uniform way a single instance of different basic data types.

Data can be extracted in its native format with *asXXX ()* function.

```
class yarp::os::Value : public Portable
{
   Value(int x);                 // Create an integer data.
   Value(double x);              // Create a floating pointdata.
   Value(ConstString &str);      // Create a string data.
   Value(void *data, int len);   // Create a binary data.

   bool isInt();
   bool isDouble();
   bool isString();
   bool isBlob();

   int asInt();              // Get integer value.
   double asDouble();        // Get floating point value.
   ConstString asString();   // Get string value.
   char* asBlob();           // Get binary data value.

   …
}
```

YARP Data types: Bottle

Most flexible type of data.

Can hold variable number of Value.

Bottle can be appended or nested one into another.

Bottle can be accessed using:
- Index, *Size* is the number of element you can *get()*
- *Key-Value* pair, *find("key")*

```
Bottle bot;
bot.clear();

bot.addInt(5);
bot.addString("hello");

Bottle& b1 = addList();
b1.addDouble(10.2);


Value &v0 = bot.get(0);
Value &v1 = bot.get(1);

Property &prop = bot.addDict();
prop.put("pib", "Help me");

bot.find("pib").asString();
```

ImageOf<PixelType>

```
ImageOf<PixelRgb> yarpImage;
yarpImage.resize(300,200);
PixelRgb  rgb;
rgb = yarpImage.pixel(10, 20);

unsigned char *r=getRow(0);

ImageOf<> is OpenCV compatible!
```

Port

Ports are identified by their name.

Constraints:

- Names must be **unique**
- Names must **start with '/'** character
- No **'@'** character allowed

Ideal for client/server pattern

```
yarp::os::Port myPort;
myPort.open("/port");

Bottle b;
port.read(b);
int n = b.get(0).asInt();
n++;
b.clear();
b.addInt(n);
myPort.write(b);

myPort.close();
```

BufferedPort

- Write and Read operations in a Port are blocking
- Buffered ports allow decoupling time:
  - non blocking read
  - non blocking write
- May loose messages!

```
BufferedPort<Bottle> p;         // Create a port.
p.open("/in");                  // Give it a name on the network.
while (true) {
     Bottle *b = p.read(); // Read/wait for until data arrives
     // Do something with data in *b
 }

BufferedPort<Bottle> p;         // Create a port.
p.open("/out");                 // Give it a name on the network.
while (true) {
     Bottle& b = p.prepare(); // Get a place to store things
     // write inside b
     p.write();                 // Send the data.
}
```

Buffering policy

- By default BufferedPort drops old messages (Oldest Package Drop)
- You can change buffering policy to FIFO

```
BufferedPort<Bottle> p;
p.open("/in");
p.setStrict(true);    // received messages are queued and never dropped
while (true) {
     Bottle *b = p.read();
 }

BufferedPort<Bottle> p;
p.open("/out");
while (true) {
     Bottle& b = p.prepare();
     // Generate data.
     p.write(true); //wait for previous pending write to complete
}
```

- Polling: when you do not want to wait for input data:

```
BufferedPort<Bottle> p;
...
Bottle *b = p.read(false); // returns immediatly

if (b!=NULL) {
  // data received in *b
}
```

The RFModule class

- You create a new module by deriving a new class from RFModule

```
class MyModule: public RFModule
{
public:
     bool configure(ResourceFinder &rf)
     { //module configuration }
     bool close()
     { //code executed at shutdown }
};

MyModule module;
ResourceFinder rf;
//configure resource finder

module.runModule(rf);        //if configure returns true block here until the module closes
```

get parameters form RF and configure the module, return true on success, false otherwise

perform cleanup, close ports, delete memory

We skip this

Attach callbacks

```
class MyModule::RFModule
{
      Port handlerPort;
       …
      bool configure(ResourceFinder &rf)
      {
            // use rf to configure your module

            handlerPort.open(“/myModule”);
            attach(handlerPort);
         …
      }
      …
}
```

Attach port interface and handle messages

```
// Message handler. Just echo all received messages.
bool respond(const Bottle& command, Bottle& reply)
{
    cout<<"Got something, echo is on"<<endl;
    if (command.get(0).asString()=="quit")
          return false;
    else
          reply=command;
    return true;
}
```

Periodic Activities

define period in seconds

```
double getPeriod()
 { return 1; }

bool updateModule()
{
     // place here code that will be
     // executed every "getPeriod" seconds
     return true;
}
```

this function will be executed until termination