



Is ROS2 suitable for Automotive Embedded and Real Time Use

Master Thesis

Submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of degree

Master of Science (M.Sc.)

in **Mechatronics**

at Hochschule Ravensburg-Weingarten

by

Viplay Setia

Matriculation Number: 31617

Conducted at

ALTEN GmbH

31 January 2020

Under the guidance of

Prof. Dr.-Ing Benedikt ReickHochschule Ravensburg-Weingarten
Weingarten

Prof. Dr. rer. nat Markus Pfeil Hochschule Ravensburg-Weingarten Weingarten

Mr. Thomas Langer

M.Sc Engineering Consultant ALTEN GmbH, Friedrichshafen

Declaration

I, Viplav Setia, born on 04.04.1995 in New Delhi, India, assure that I have done this work independently. All sources and references used for the completion of this thesis have been listed and cited accordingly. This thesis work was done in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the degree of Master of Science in Mechatronics at Hochschule Ravensburg Weingarten and has not been used or submitted elsewhere for award of a degree, grade or in any publication.

Viplav Setia Friedrichshafen, 31 January 2020

Acknowledgement

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Prof Dr.-Ing Benedikt Reick and Prof Dr. rer. nat. Markus Pfeil for guiding me through the completion of my Master thesis and for their valuable suggestions.

I am extremely thankful to ALTEN GmbH and their colleagues who gave me this opportunity and the resources to do this thesis at their office branch in Friedrichshafen. They also supported me with their knowledge, expertise and created a pleasant working environment, without which it would have been difficult to move forward with this project.

Also, many thanks to my family and friends for their constant encouragement.

Abstract

The automotive industry is changing rapidly to new technologies like electromobility and autonomous driving. All major companies like Daimler, BMW, Tesla, Bosch, etc. are investing heavily to bring electric cars to the market and develop prototypes for autonomous driving. To support this change, middleware is required which is used as a means of data exchange between various sensors, control systems and actuators. The focus of this thesis is to test the new versions of the middleware Robot Operating System(ROS) which offer support for embedded and real time systems. To test the version micro-ROS, a demonstrator was built using a STM32 microcontroller with a Nuttx Real-Time Operating System(RTOS) installed to show the data transfer of a pressure sensor. To test the real-time performance for this version, an algorithm was created to test the delay in data transfer with different data sizes. To test the real-time performance of ROS2, an inverted pendulum demo was used and its simulation was visualised on a Linux system enabled with real-time capabilities. Finally, a model using the Gazebo robot simulator was developed to explore ADAS applications using a camera and a LIDAR sensor as an example to show the data transfer using ROS2 for the automotive industry.

List of abbreviations, formulas and indexes

ROS Robot Operating System

RTOS Real-Time Operating System

Contents

De	clarat	tion	1									
Ac	know	ledgement	2									
Ab	stract	t .	3									
Lis	t of a	bbreviations, formulas and indexes	4									
1	Intro	oduction	7									
	1.1	Motivation	7									
	1.2	Objectives	8									
	1.3	Robot Operating System(ROS)	8									
2	Liter	rature Research	9									
	2.1	ROS2 Concepts	9									
	2.2	ROS1 vs ROS2	9									
	2.3	Embedded Systems	9									
	2.4	Real Time Systems	9									
	2.5	Previous Research Results	9									
3	Test Setup											
	3.1	Testing micro-ROS	10									
		3.1.1 Components	10									
		3.1.2 Procedure	10									
	3.2	Testing ROS2	10									
		3.2.1 Components	10									
		3.2.2 Procedure	10									
4	Resu	ults	11									
-	4.1	Latency Analysis in micro-ROS	11									
	4.2	Latency Analysis in ROS2	11									

5	ADAS Applications using ROS2											12						
	5.1	Lane Detection using Camera																12
	5.2	Auto Stop using LIDAR																12
	5.3	Driver Control using Keyboard						•							•	•		12
6	Cond	clusion and Future Scope																13
Lis	List of Figures									13								
List of Tables									14									
Bil	liogra	aphy																15

1 Introduction

Dummy Text



Figure 1.1: Data Stats in Autonomous Cars[1]

1.1 Motivation

Why?

1.2 Objectives

Tasks

1.3 Robot Operating System(ROS)

ROS History ROS2 micro-ROS

2 Literature Research

2.1 ROS2 Concepts

Node Topic Message DDS OS Discovery

2.2 ROS1 vs ROS2

2.3 Embedded Systems

STM32 Micro-controller Features Communications: IP Serial

2.4 Real Time Systems

Requirement Types: Soft Firm Hard

2.5 Previous Research Results

3 Test Setup

- 3.1 Testing micro-ROS
- 3.1.1 Components
- 3.1.2 Procedure
- **3.2 Testing ROS2**
- **3.2.1 Components**
- 3.2.2 Procedure

4 Results

- **4.1 Latency Analysis in micro-ROS**
- 4.2 Latency Analysis in ROS2

5 ADAS Applications using ROS2

- **5.1 Lane Detection using Camera**
- 5.2 Auto Stop using LIDAR
- **5.3 Driver Control using Keyboard**

6 Conclusion and Future Scope

List of Figures

III Hata State in Alltonomolie Lare	11	D-t- Ot-t-:- A-t O	-
	11	Data Stats in Autonomous Cars	

List of Tables

Bibliography

[1] Brian Krzanich. Data is the new oil in the future of automated driving. https://newsroom.intel.com/editorials/krzanich-the-future-of-automated-driving/#gs.kvj5y2/,2016.