How to use:

After adding the nodes to your catkin src folder, compiling it and starting roscore, follow the next commands.

user@localhost:~\$ rosrun xela_server xConf.pyc Configure the sensors prior to the first use.

user@localhost:~\$ rosrun xela_server xServer.pyc And in new tab/terminal window:

user@localhost:~\$ rosrun xela_sensors xSensorService.pyc
To read the data from sensors, either subscribe
to /xServerPub topic (constant stream) or call xServ(XYZ) (sensor)
(taxel) (ex. rosservice call /xServXY 1 2) (single query)

Prerequisites:

Primary requirement is to run the code with Python 2.7 as the files have been pre-compiled and therefore give an error if run in different Python version. (You might see following error: RuntimeError: Bad magic number in .pyc file)

The following packages are required to run the sensor service and tools:

- 1) Tkinter
- 2) numpy
- 3) matplotlib
- 4) easyqui
- 5) python-can

There are also optional packages that help to make the debugging easier by coloring the output. The packages for this would be:

- 1) coloredlogs
- 2) verboselogs

Nodes:

xela sensors

A node providing publisher for sensor data (with requests)

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this runs service that responds to queries
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServXY 1 2
values: [16439, 16647]
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServXYZ 2 6
values: [16451, 16517, 35901]
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServX 2 1
value: 16681
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServY 2 2
value: 16721
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServZ 2 3
value: 37009
user@localhost:~$ rosservice call /xServStream 1
xyz: [1: [16457, 16553, 32057], 2: [16775, 16958, 31886]]
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xela server

A node running server for all sensors. Required for xela_sensors node to operate.

xela_sim

A node including the service to connect to turtlebot gazebo simulation. It will use the 1^{st} sensor (4x4 config) as controller. The code can also be seen as an example of usage

Example usage:

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#!/usr/bin/env python
import rospy
from xela_sensors.srv import XelaSensorXYZ
import sys
rospy.init_node('use_service')

#wait the service to be advertised, otherwise the service use will fail rospy.wait_for_service('xela_sensors')

#setup a local proxy for the service (we will ask for X,Y and Z data)
srv=rospy.ServiceProxy('xela_sensors',XelaSensorXYZ)

#use the service and send it a value. In this case, I am sending sensor: 1 and taxel: 3
service_example=srv(1,3)

#print the result from the service
print(service example)
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