# 9. Custom Service Messages and Usage

## 9.1 Customized Service Messages

Switch to~/catkin\_ ws/src/learning\_ Under the server function package directory, create a new folder named srv to store custom service messages.

#### 9.1.1 Define SRV files

Switch to the srv directory and create a new blank srv file, with srv as the suffix to indicate that it is an srv file. Here we use IntPlus.srv as an example to copy the following code into the just created srv file.

```
uint8 a
uint8 b
---
uint8 result
```

Here is an explanation of the composition of the SRV file, which is divided into two parts by the symbol - - - - - . The upper side represents the request and the lower side is the response.

## 9.1.2 Add feature pack dependencies in package.xml

```
<build_depend>message_generation</build_depend>
<exec_depend>message_runtime</exec_depend>
```

## 9.1.3. Add compilation options in CMakeLists.txt

```
add_service_files(FILES IntPlus.srv)
generate_messages(DEPENDENCIES std_msgs)
```

## 9.1.4 Compile and generate language related files

```
cd ~/catkin_ws
catkin_make
```

## 9.1.5 C++Language Implementation

1) Switch to~/catkin\_ ws/src/learning\_ Under server/src, create two new cpp files named IntPlus\_ Server.cpp and IntPlus\_ Client.cpp, copy the following code into it separately,

IntPlus\_server.cpp

```
#include <ros/ros.h>
#include "learning_server/IntPlus.h"

// Service callback function, input parameter req, output parameter res
bool IntPlusCallback(learning_server::IntPlus::Request &req,
```

```
learning_server::IntPlus::Response &res)
{
    ROS_INFO("number 1 is:%d ,number 2 is:%d ", req.a, req.b);//Display request
data
    res.result = req.a + req.b ;// The feedback result is the sum of two numbers
   return res.result;
}
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    ros::init(argc, argv, "IntPlus_server"); // ROS node initialization
    ros::NodeHandle n;// Create node handle
    // Create a server and register the callback function IntPlusCallback
    ros::ServiceServer Int_Plus_service = n.advertiseService("/Two_Int_Plus",
IntPlusCallback);
    // Loop waiting callback function
    ROS_INFO("Ready to caculate.");
    ros::spin();
    return 0;
}
```

#### IntPlus\_client.cpp

```
#include <ros/ros.h>
#include "learning_server/IntPlus.h"
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main(int argc, char** argv)
    int i,k;
   cin>>i;
    cin>>k;
    ros::init(argc, argv, "IntPlus_client");// ROS node initialization
    ros::NodeHandle node;// Create node handle
    // Create a service client after discovering the/Two_int-Plus service
    ros::service::waitForService("/Two_Int_Plus");
    ros::ServiceClient IntPlus_client =
node.serviceClient<learning_server::IntPlus>("/Two_Int_Plus");
    // Initialize learningservice:: IntPlus request data
    learning_server::IntPlus srv;
    srv.request.a = i;
    srv.request.b = k;
```

```
ROS_INFO("Call service to plus %d and %d", srv.request.a, srv.request.b);//
Request service invocation

IntPlus_client.call(srv);

// Display service call results
ROS_INFO("Show the result : %d", srv.response.result);//Display service call results
return 0;
}
```

#### 2. Modify the CMakeLists.txt file

```
add_executable(IntPlus_server src/IntPlus_server.cpp)
target_link_libraries(IntPlus_server ${catkin_LIBRARIES})
add_dependencies(IntPlus_server ${PROJECT_NAME}_generate_messages_cpp)

add_executable(IntPlus_client src/IntPlus_client.cpp)
target_link_libraries(IntPlus_client ${catkin_LIBRARIES})
add_dependencies(IntPlus_client ${PROJECT_NAME}_generate_messages_cpp)
```

#### 3. Core part

The implementation process here is the same as before, with the main difference being the introduction of header files and the use of custom service files: The import header file is

```
#include "learning_server/IntPlus.h"
```

Front learning\_Server is the name of the feature pack, followed by IntPlus. h, which is the header file name generated by the previously created srv fileUsing custom service files is

#### 4. run a program

```
roscore
rosrun learning_server IntPlus_client
rosrun learning_server IntPlus_server
```

#### 5. Run screenshot

#### 6. Program Description

Running IntPlus\_ After the server, it will prompt to prepare for calculation; Running IntPlus\_ After the client, the terminal inputs two integer numbers, followed by IntPlus\_ The server accountant calculates the result and returns it to IntPlus\_ Client, and then print out the results.

## 9.1.6 Python Language Implementation

1) Switch to~/catkin\_ ws/src/learning\_ Under server/script, create two new py files and name them IntPlus\_ Server.py and IntPlus\_ Client.py, copy the following code into it separately,

IntPlus\_server.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
import rospy

from learning_server.srv import IntPlus, IntPlusResponse

def IntPlusCallback(req):
    rospy.loginfo("Ints: a:%d b:%d", req.a, req.b)# Display request data
    return IntPlusResponse(req.a+req.b)# Feedback data

def IntPlus_server():
    rospy.init_node('IntPlus_server')# ROS node initialization

# Create a server and register the callback function IntPlusCallback
s = rospy.Service('/Two_Int_Plus', IntPlus, IntPlusCallback)

print "Ready to caculate two ints."# Loop waiting callback function
    rospy.spin()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    IntPlus_server()
```

IntPlus\_client.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
```

```
import sys
import rospy
from learning_server.srv import IntPlus, IntPlusRequest
def Plus_client():
   # ROS node initialization
   rospy.init_node('IntPlus_client')
    rospy.wait_for_service('/Two_Int_Plus')
    try:
        Plus_client = rospy.ServiceProxy('/Two_Int_Plus', IntPlus)
        response = Plus_client(22, 20)# Request service call, input request data
        return response.result
    except rospy.ServiceException, e:
        print "failed to call service: %s"%e
if __name__ == "__main__":
    #Call the service and display the call result
    print "Show two_int_plus result : %s" %(Plus_client())
```

#### 2. Core part

Here is mainly an explanation of how to import a custom service message module and use it:Import

```
server:
from learning_server.srv import IntPlus, IntPlusResponse
client:
from learning_server.srv import IntPlus, IntPlusRequest
```

use

```
server:
s = rospy.Service('/Two_Int_Plus', IntPlus, IntPlusCallback)
return IntPlusResponse(req.a+req.b)# Feedback data
client:
response = Plus_client(12, 20)#Request service call, input request data
return response.result
```

#### 3) Run program

Before running the program, add executable permissions to the py file

```
sudo chmod a+x IntPlus_server.py
sudo chmod a+x IntPlus_client.py
```

run a program

```
roscore
rosrun learning_server IntPlus_client.py
rosrun learning_server IntPlus_server.py
```

4. Program operation instructions

What is inconsistent with the C++version here is that the addend is set in the program (12 and 20), so once the service is started, the result can be returned immediately.	