SE498 Introduction to Autonomous Vehicle System

Laboratory Assignment 2: Turtlesim Robot Simulation

Goals for this Lab Assignment:

- 1. Learn turtlesim structure.
- 2. Learn how to drive turtlesim robot around.
- 3. Learn how to get states of turtlesim robot and drive it to a desired orientation and location (P controller).

Exercise 1 - Learn turtlesim

Open terminal 1

\$ roscore

Open terminal 2

\$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim_node

Open terminal 3

\$ rostopic list

/turtle1/pose – get turtle state's info /turtle1/cmd vel – drive turtle to move around

Open terminal 4

\$ rostopic type /turtle1/pose

\$ rostopic type /turtle1/pose | rosmsg show

\$ rostopic type /turtle1/cmd_vel

\$ rostopic type /turtle1/cmd_vel | rosmsg show

Reference: http://wiki.ros.org/turtlesim

Exercise 2 - Learn how to create ROS package to control turtlesim

Download se498_lab2 package from website extract it and put it under ~/catkin_NETID/src/website: http://coecsl.ece.illinois.edu/se498/

Open terminal 1

\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ catkin make

\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ roscore

Open terminal 2

\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim_node

3\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

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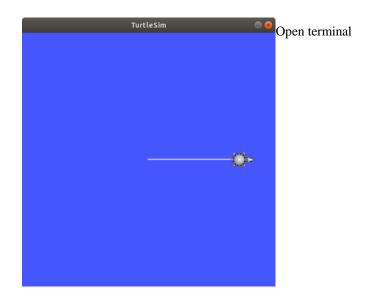
\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ rosrun se498_lab2_lab2_node

Enter speed: 1 Enter distance: 4

Move forward? (1 or 0): 1

Ctrl+c to exit



In Exercise 2, you need to finish the void rotate() function, so that the robot can rotate around its z-axis at a given speed by a given angle and direction. The only file you need to modify is lab2.cpp

Enter angular_speed (degree/s): 30

Enter angle (degrees): 180 Clockwise? (1 or 0): 1

Ctrl+c to exit

Reference: http://wiki.ros.org/turtlesim

Exercise 3 - Learn how to get states of turtlesim robot and drive it to a desired orientation and location

- (1) Finish poseCallback function which subscribes topic /turtle1/pose.
- (2) Finish moveGoal function so that turtlesim robot can be drive to a desired orientation and location.

Open terminal 1

\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ catkin_make

\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ roscore

Open terminal 2\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim_node

Open terminal 3

\$ cd ~/catkin_NETID

\$ source devel/setup.bash

\$ rosrun se498_lab2 lab2_node

Desired location: (1, 1)



Moving to a Point (x*, y*) in the 2D plane

- **Linear velocity** $v^* = K_v \sqrt{(x^* x)^2 + (y^* y)^2}$
- Steering Angle $\theta^* = \tan^{-1} \frac{y^* y}{x^* x}$
- Proportional Controller $\gamma = K_h(\theta^* \ominus \theta), K_h > 0$
 - turns the steering wheel toward the target