

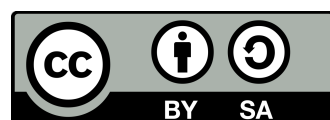
# A Concise Introduction to Robot Programming in ROS2

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## Chapter 2: First Steps with ROS2

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# First steps in the Terminal

## ROS2Cli

```
$ ros2

usage: ros2 [-h] Call 'ros2 <command> -h' for more detailed usage. ...
ros2 is an extensible command-line tool for ROS 2.

...
```

```
ros2 <command> <verb> [<params>|<option>]*
```

action	extension_points	node	test
bag	extensions	param	topic
component	interface	pkg	wtf
launch	run	daemon	lifecycle
security	doctor	multicast	service

Further readings:

- <https://github.com/ros2/ros2cli>
- [https://github.com/ubuntu-robotics/ros2-cheats-sheet/blob/master/cli/cli\\_cheats\\_sheet.pdf](https://github.com/ubuntu-robotics/ros2-cheats-sheet/blob/master/cli/cli_cheats_sheet.pdf)

# First steps in the Terminal

## Packages

```
$ ros2 pkg list  
ackermann_msgs  
action_msgs  
action_tutorials_cpp  
...
```

```
$ ros2 pkg executables demo_nodes_cpp  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_client  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_client_async  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_server  
demo_nodes_cpp allocator_tutorial  
...  
demo_nodes_cpp talker  
...
```

# First steps in the Terminal

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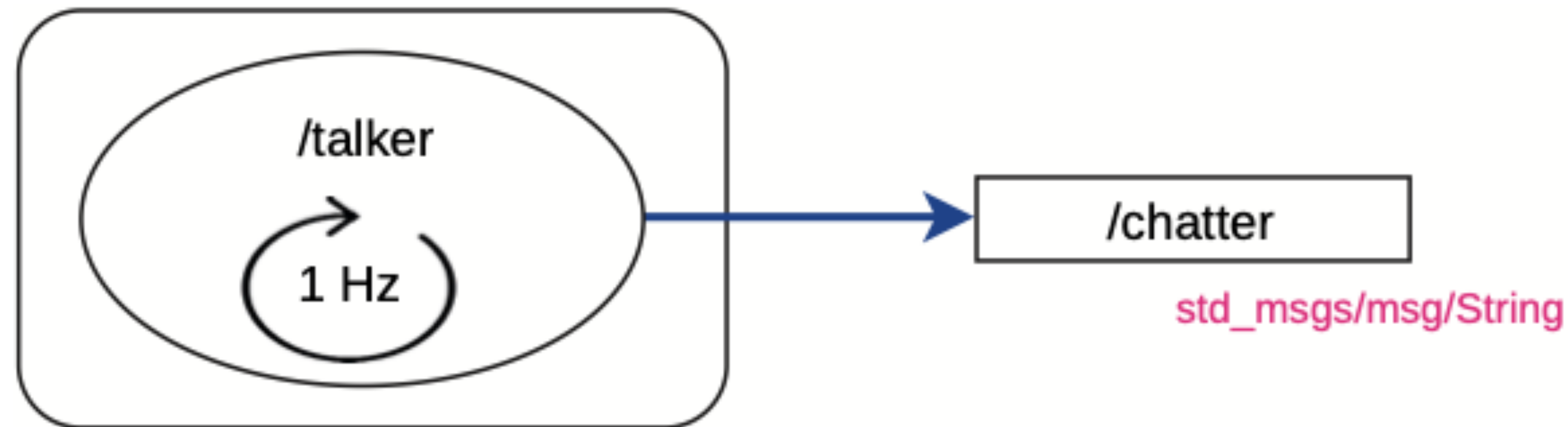
```
$ ros2 pkg executables demo_nodes_cpp  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_client  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_client_async  
demo_nodes_cpp add_two_ints_server  
demo_nodes_cpp allocator_tutorial  
...  
demo_nodes_cpp talker  
...
```



# First steps in the Terminal

## Running a ROS2 program

```
$ ros2 run demo_nodes_cpp talker  
  
[INFO] [1643218362.316869744] [talker]: Publishing: 'Hello World: 1'  
[INFO] [1643218363.316915225] [talker]: Publishing: 'Hello World: 2'  
[INFO] [1643218364.316907053] [talker]: Publishing: 'Hello World: 3'  
...
```



# First steps in the Terminal

## Running a ROS2 program

```
$ ros2 node list
```

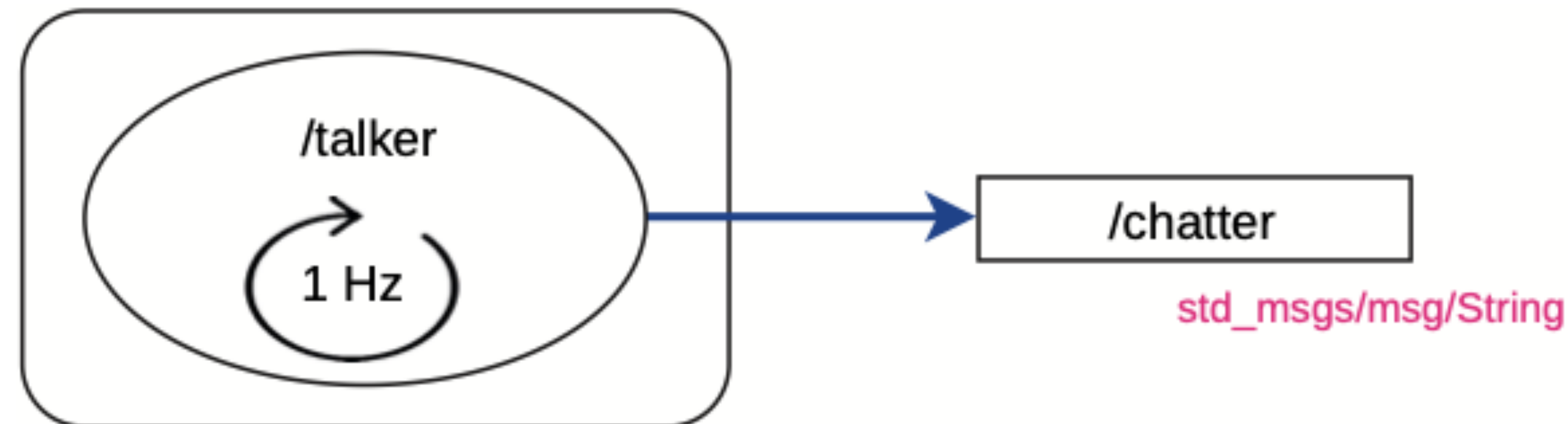
```
/talker
```

```
$ ros2 topic list
```

```
/chatter
```

```
/parameter_events
```

```
/rosout
```

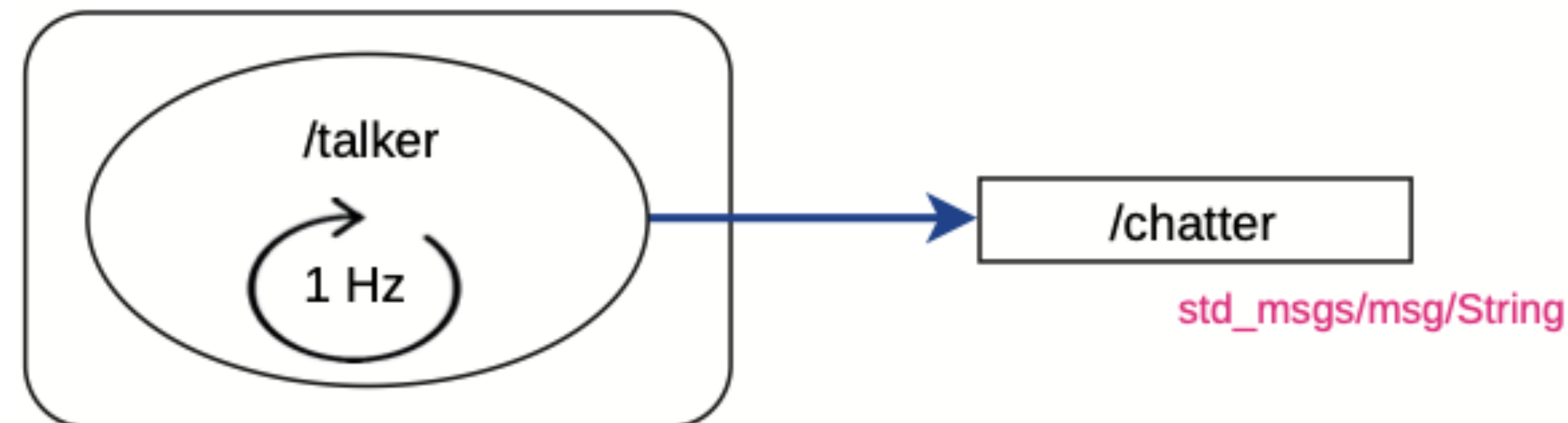


# First steps in the Terminal

## Running a ROS2 program

```
$ ros2 node info /talker

/talker
  Subscribers:
    /parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
  Publishers:
    /chatter: std_msgs/msg/String
    /parameter_events: rcl_interfaces/msg/ParameterEvent
    /rosout: rcl_interfaces/msg/Log
  Service Servers:
  ...
```



# First steps in the Terminal

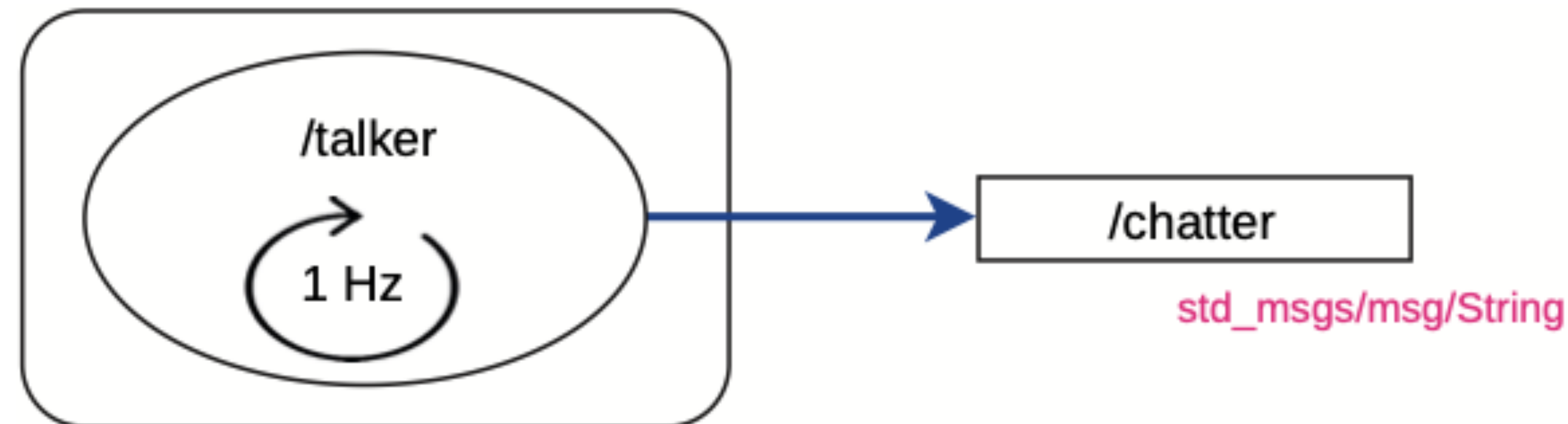
## Running a ROS2 program

```
$ ros2 topic info /chatter
```

```
Type: std_msgs/msg/String
```

```
Publisher count: 1
```

```
Subscription count: 0
```





# First steps in the Terminal

## Interfaces

```
$ ros2 interface list

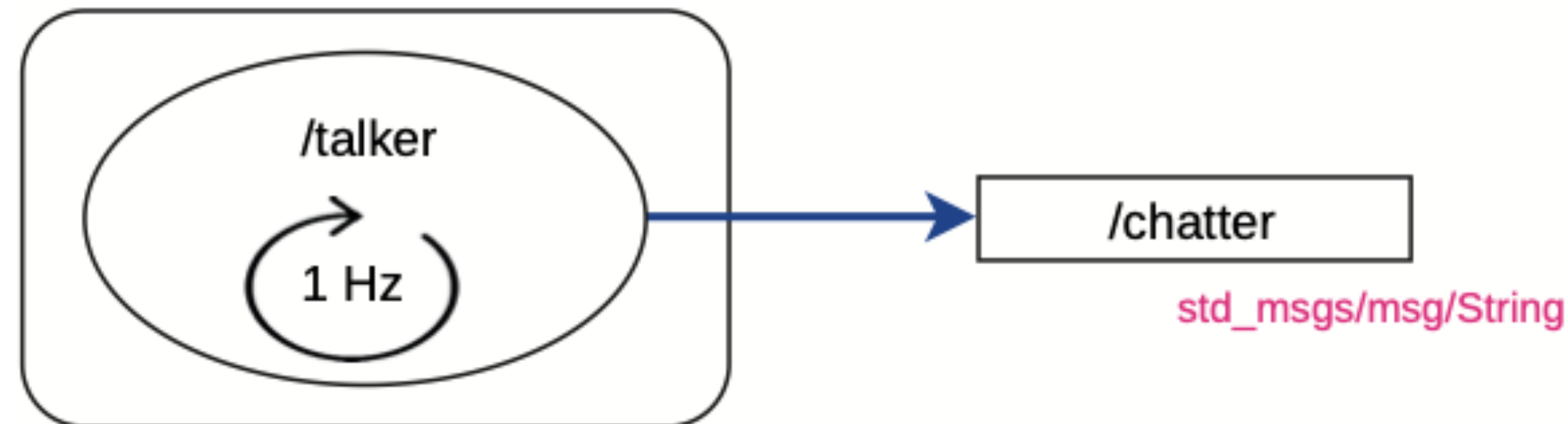
Messages:
  ackermann_msgs/msg/AckermannDrive
  ackermann_msgs/msg/AckermannDriveStamped
  ...
  visualization_msgs/msg/MenuEntry
Services:
  action_msgs/srv/CancelGoal
  ...
  visualization_msgs/srv/GetInteractiveMarkers
Actions:
  action_tutorials_interfaces/action/Fibonacci
  ...
```

```
$ ros2 interface show std_msgs/msg/String

... comments
string data
```

# First steps in the Terminal

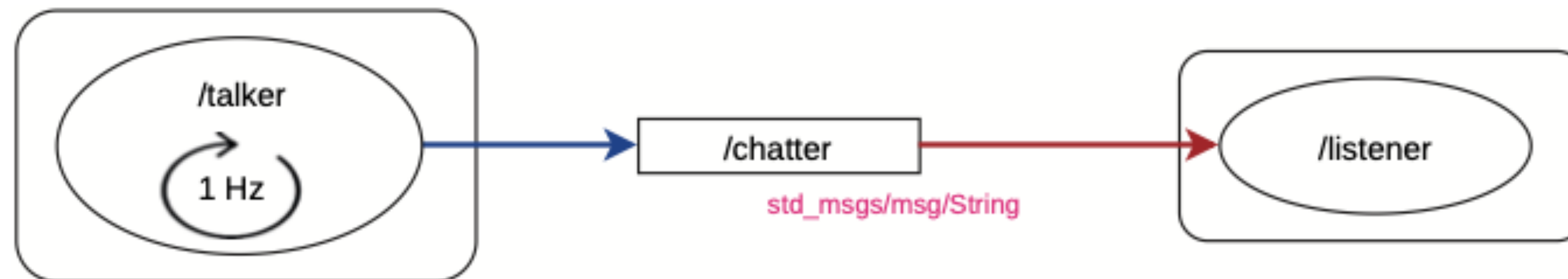
```
$ ros2 topic echo /chatter  
data: 'Hello World: 1578'  
---  
data: 'Hello World: 1579'  
...
```



# First steps in the Terminal

## Running a listener

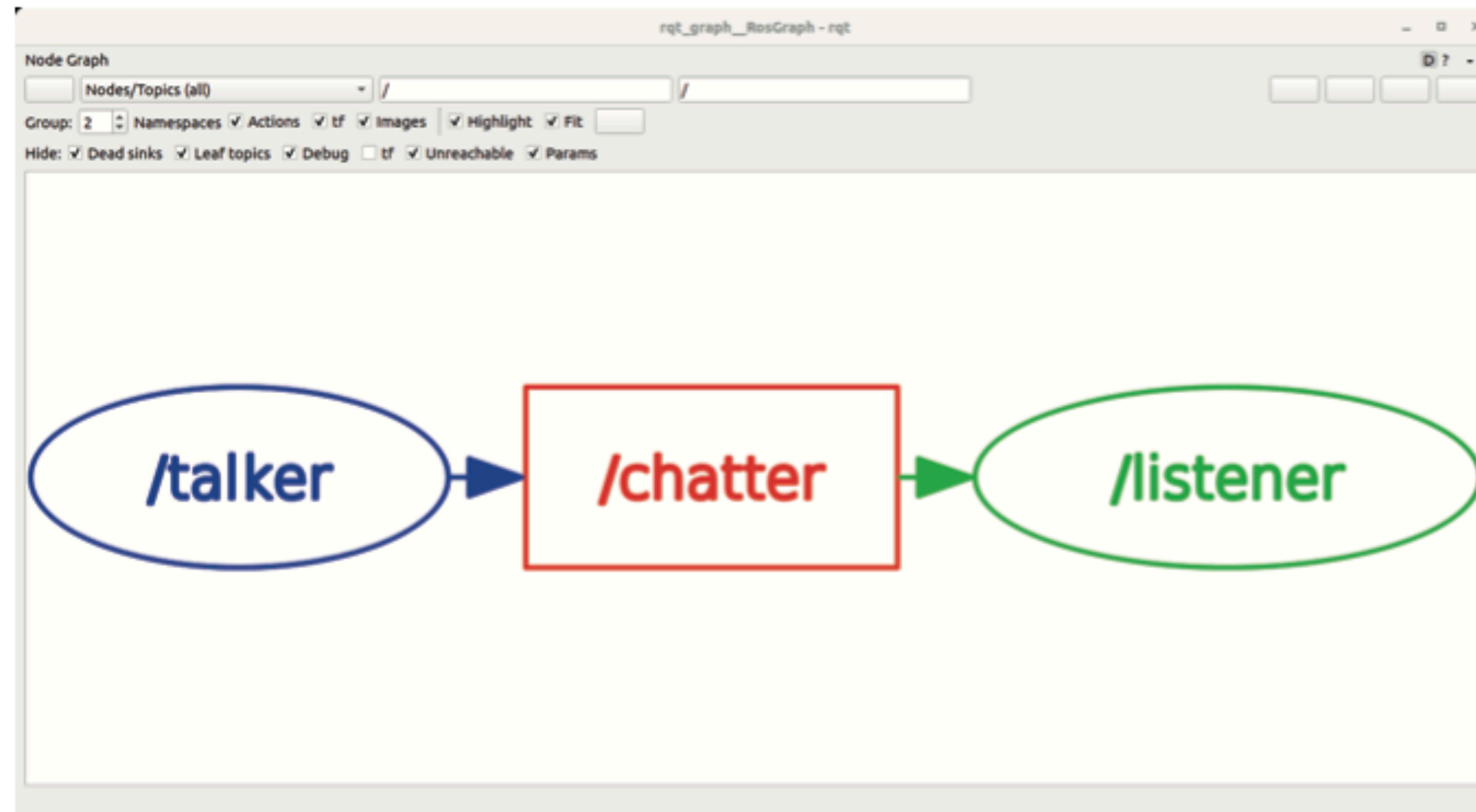
```
$ ros2 run demo_nodes_py listener  
  
[INFO] [1643220136.232617223] [listener]: I heard: [Hello World: 1670]  
[INFO] [1643220137.197551366] [listener]: I heard: [Hello World: 1671]  
[INFO] [1643220138.198640098] [listener]: I heard: [Hello World: 1672]  
...
```



# First steps in the Terminal

## RQT Tools

```
$ ros2 run rqt_graph rqt_graph
```





# Developing your first node

## Package creation

```
$ cd ~/bookros2_ws/src  
$ ros2 pkg create my_package --dependencies rclcpp std_msgs
```

### Package my\_package

```
my_package/  
├── CMakeLists.txt  
├── include  
│   └── my_package  
├── package.xml  
└── src  
    └── simple.cpp
```

# Developing your first node

## Package.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<?xml-model href="http://download.ros.org/schema/package_format3.xsd"
  schematypens="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"?>
<package format="3">
  <name>my_package</name>
  <version>0.0.0</version>
  <description>TODO: Package description</description>
  <maintainer email="john.doe@evilrobot.com">johndoe</maintainer>
  <license>TODO: License declaration</license>

  <buildtool_depend>ament_cmake</buildtool_depend>

  <depend>rclcpp</depend>
  <depend>std_msgs</depend>

  <test_depend>ament_lint_auto</test_depend>
  <test_depend>ament_lint_common</test_depend>

  <export>
    <build_type>ament_cmake</build_type>
  </export>
</package>
```

# Developing your first node

## First program

- The simplest node

```
#include "rclcpp/rclcpp.hpp"

int main(int argc, char * argv[]) {
    rclcpp::init(argc, argv);

    auto node = rclcpp::Node::make_shared("simple_node");

    rclcpp::spin(node);

    rclcpp::shutdown();

    return 0;
}
```

# Developing your first node

## First program

- How to make a node

```
#include "rclcpp/rclcpp.hpp"

int main(int argc, char * argv[]) {
    rclcpp::init(argc, argv);

    auto node = rclcpp::Node::make_shared("simple_node");

    rclcpp::spin(node);

    rclcpp::shutdown();

    return 0;
}
```

```
1. std::shared_ptr<rclcpp::Node> node = std::shared_ptr<rclcpp::Node>(
    new rclcpp::Node("simple_node"));

2. std::shared_ptr<rclcpp::Node> node = std::make_shared<rclcpp::Node>(
    "simple_node");

3. rclcpp::Node::SharedPtr node = std::make_shared<rclcpp::Node>(
    "simple_node");

4. auto node = std::make_shared<rclcpp::Node>("simple_node");

5. auto node = rclcpp::Node::make_shared("simple_node");
```



# Developing your first node

## CMakeLists.txt

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.5)
project(basics)

find_package(ament_cmake REQUIRED)
find_package(rclcpp REQUIRED)

set(dependencies
  rclcpp
)

add_executable(simple src/simple.cpp)
ament_target_dependencies(simple ${dependencies})

install(TARGETS
  simple
  ARCHIVE DESTINATION lib
  LIBRARY DESTINATION lib
  RUNTIME DESTINATION lib/${PROJECT_NAME}
)

if(BUILD_TESTING)
  find_package(ament_lint_auto REQUIRED)
  ament_lint_auto_find_test_dependencies()
endif()

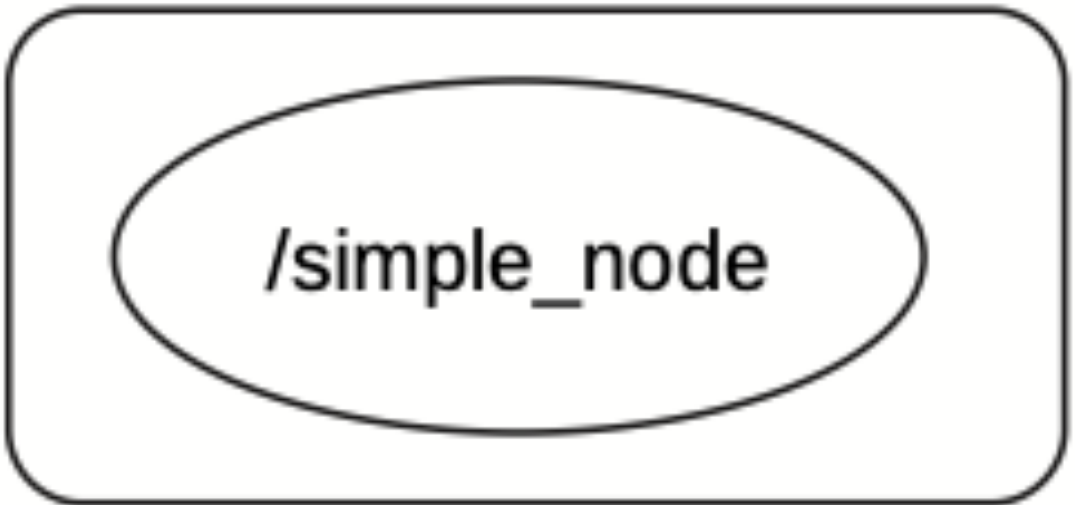
ament_export_dependencies(${dependencies})
ament_package()
```

# Developing your first node

## Build and execute

```
cd ~/bookros2_ws  
colcon build --symlink-install
```

```
$ ros2 run my_package simple
```



A diagram showing a node in a ROS2 system. It consists of a rounded rectangle containing an oval. Inside the oval is the text `/simple_node`, which represents the node's name and namespace.

`/simple_node`

```
$ ros2 node list  
  
/simple_node
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Package content

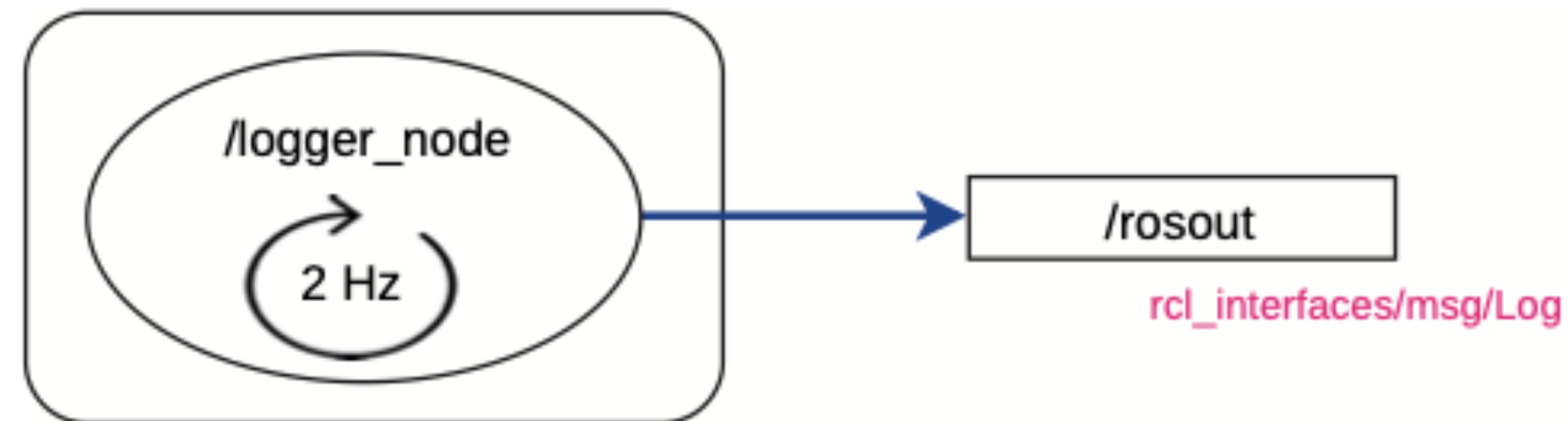
```
br2_basics
├── CMakeLists.txt
├── config
│   └── params.yaml
├── launch
│   ├── includer_launch.py
│   ├── param_node_v1_launch.py
│   ├── param_node_v2_launch.py
│   ├── pub_sub_v1_launch.py
│   └── pub_sub_v2_launch.py
├── package.xml
└── src
    ├── executors.cpp
    ├── logger_class.cpp
    ├── logger.cpp
    ├── param_reader.cpp
    ├── publisher_class.cpp
    ├── publisher.cpp
    └── subscriber_class.cpp
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## logger.cpp

- Use `RCLCPP_*` to show messages
- Control execution frequency with `rclcpp::Rate`
- `spin()` and `spin_some()`

```
auto node = rclcpp::Node::make_shared("logger_node");  
  
rclcpp::Rate loop_rate(500ms);  
int counter = 0;  
  
while (rclcpp::ok()) {  
    RCLCPP_INFO(node->get_logger(), "Hello %d", counter++);  
  
    rclcpp::spin_some(node);  
    loop_rate.sleep();  
}
```



```
$ ros2 run br2_basics logger --ros-args --log-level debug
```



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## logger.cpp

```
$ cd ~/bookros2_ws
```

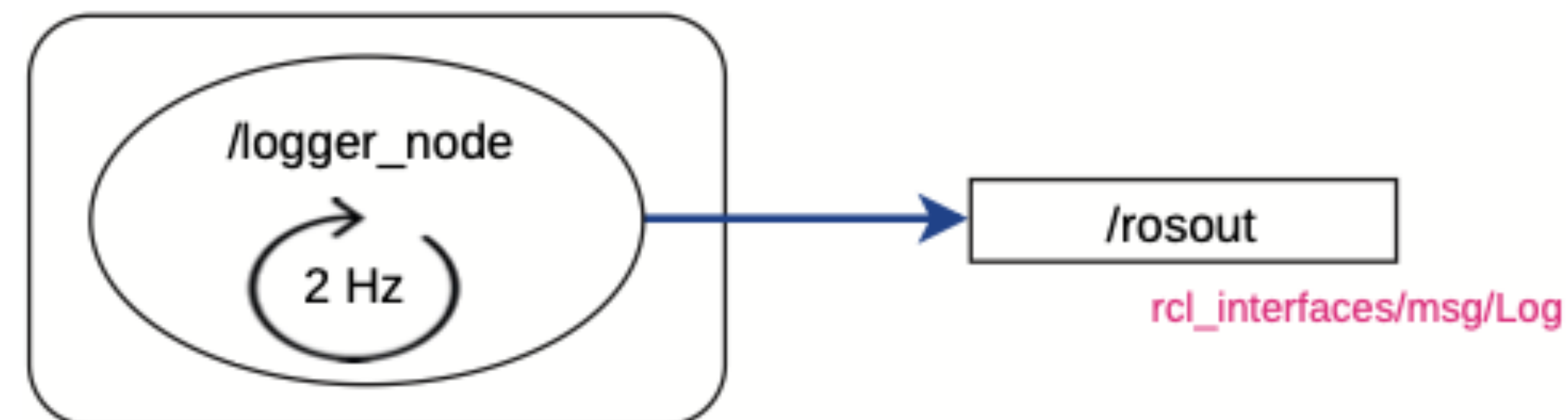
```
$ colcon build --symlink-install --packages-select br2_basics
```

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics logger
```

```
[INFO] [1643264508.056814169] [logger_node]: Hello 0
```

```
[INFO] [1643264508.556910295] [logger_node]: Hello 1
```

```
...
```



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## logger.cpp

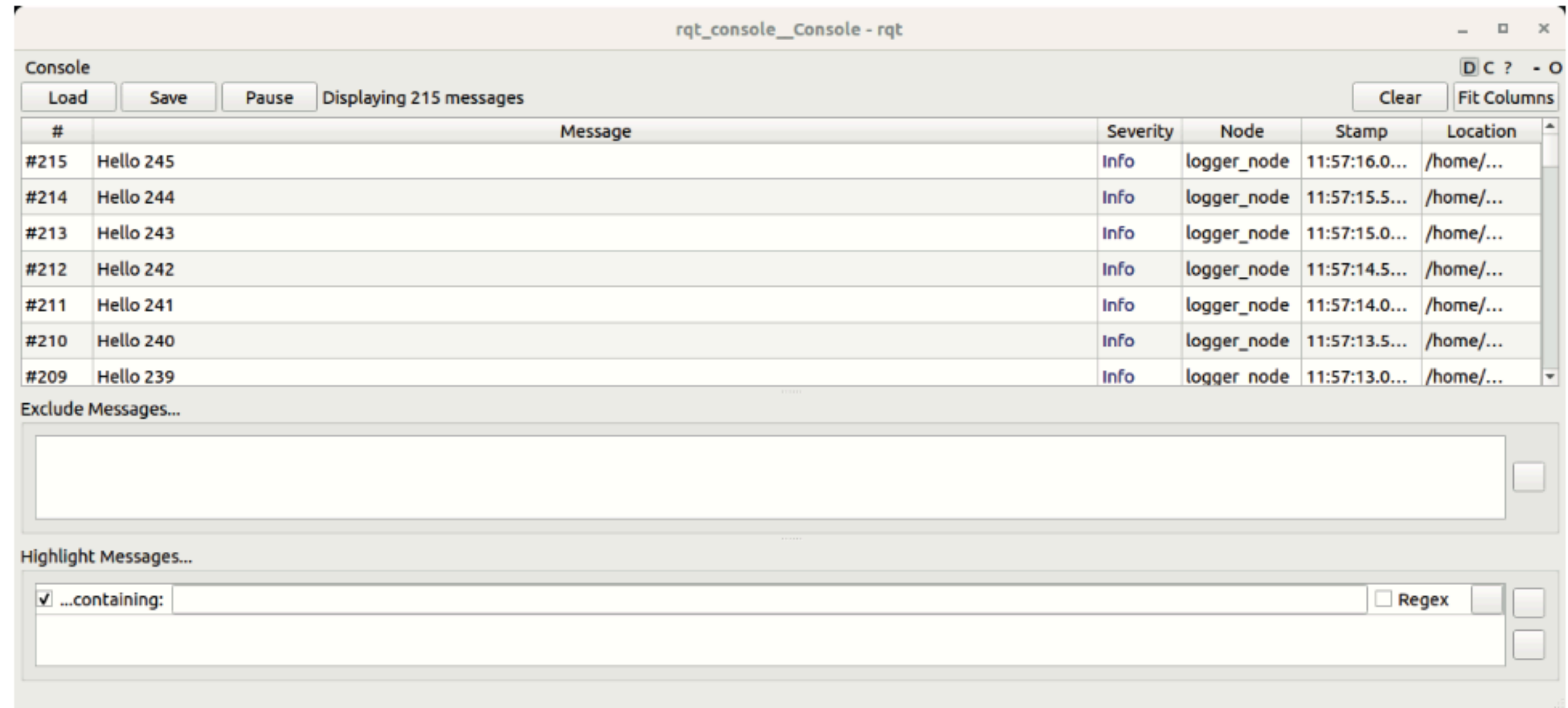
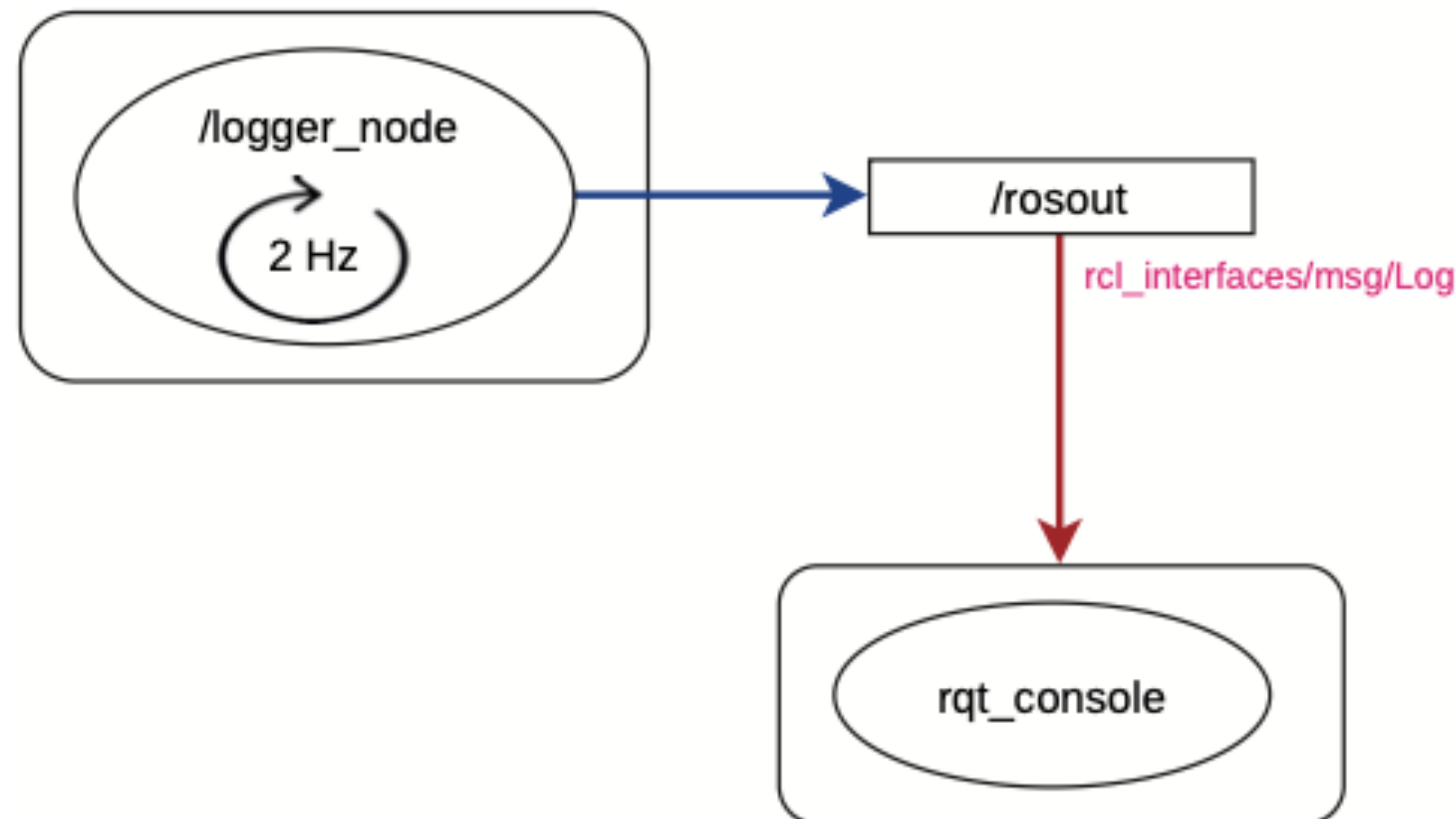
```
$ ros2 topic echo /rosout  
  
stamp:  
  sec: 1643264511  
  nanosec: 556908791  
level: 20  
name: logger_node  
msg: Hello 7  
file: /home/fmrco/ros/ros2/bookros2_ws/src/book_ros2/br2_basics/src/logger.cpp  
function: main  
line: 27  
---  
stamp:  
  sec: 1643264512  
  nanosec: 57037520  
level: 20  
...
```

```
$ ros2 interface show rcl_interfaces/msg/Log
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## RQT Console

```
$ ros2 run rqt_console rqt_console
```



```
$ ros2 run br2-basics logger --ros-args --log-level debug
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## logger\_class.cpp

- Inherit from `rclcpp::Node` helps to organize better your code
- Control execution cycle **internally** with timers

```
class LoggerNode : public rclcpp::Node
{
public:
    LoggerNode() : Node("logger_node")
    {
        counter_ = 0;
        timer_ = create_wall_timer(
            500ms, std::bind(&LoggerNode::timer_callback, this));
    }

    void timer_callback()
    {
        RCLCPP_INFO(get_logger(), "Hello %d", counter_++);
    }

private:
    rclcpp::TimerBase::SharedPtr timer_;
    int counter_;
};

int main(int argc, char * argv[]) {
    rclcpp::init(argc, argv);

    auto node = std::make_shared<LoggerNode>();

    rclcpp::spin(node);

    rclcpp::shutdown();
    return 0;
}
```



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## logger\_class.cpp

```
add_executable(logger_class src/logger.cpp)
ament_target_dependencies(logger ${dependencies})

add_executable(logger_class src/logger_class.cpp)
ament_target_dependencies(logger_class ${dependencies})

install(TARGETS
  logger
  logger_class
  ...
  ARCHIVE DESTINATION lib
  LIBRARY DESTINATION lib
  RUNTIME DESTINATION lib/${PROJECT_NAME}
)
```

```
$ ros2 run br2-basics logger_class
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Publishing

```
class PublisherNode : public rclcpp::Node
{
public:
    PublisherNode() : Node("publisher_node")
    {
        publisher_ = create_publisher<std_msgs::msg::Int32>("int_topic", 10);
        timer_ = create_wall_timer(
            500ms, std::bind(&PublisherNode::timer_callback, this));
    }

    void timer_callback()
    {
        message_.data += 1;
        publisher_->publish(message_);
    }

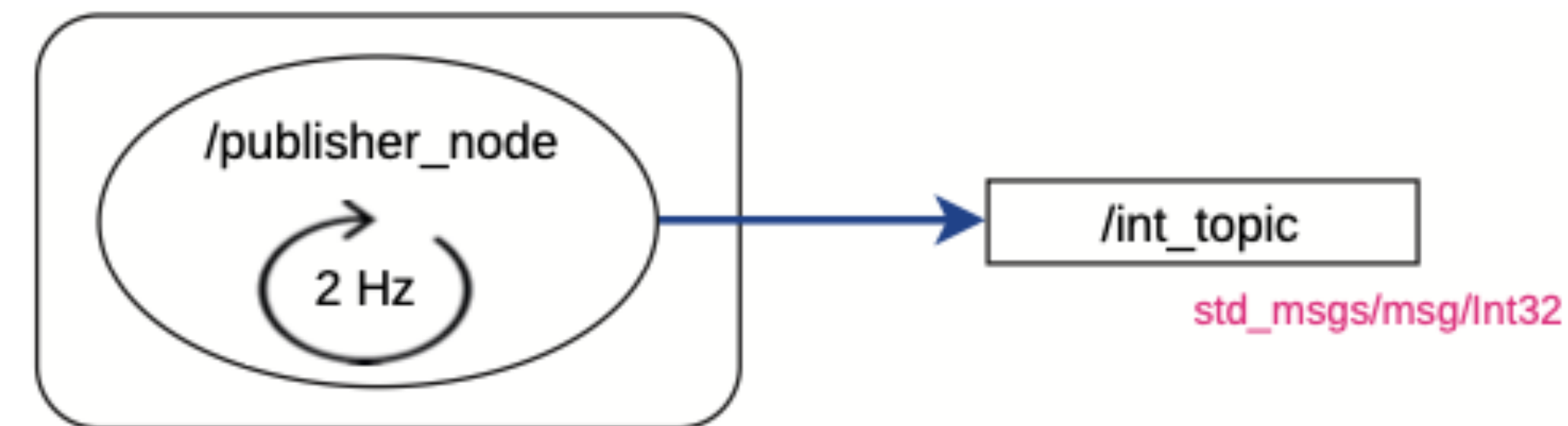
private:
    rclcpp::Publisher<std_msgs::msg::Int32>::SharedPtr publisher_;
    rclcpp::TimerBase::SharedPtr timer_;
    std_msgs::msg::Int32 message_;
};
```

```
// For std_msgs/msg/Int32
#include "std_msgs/msg/int32.hpp"

std_msgs::msg::Int32 msg_int32;

// For sensor_msgs/msg/LaserScan
#include "sensor_msgs/msg/laser_scan.hpp"

sensor_msgs::msg::LaserScan msg_laserscan;
```



```
$ ros2 run br2_basics publisher_class
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

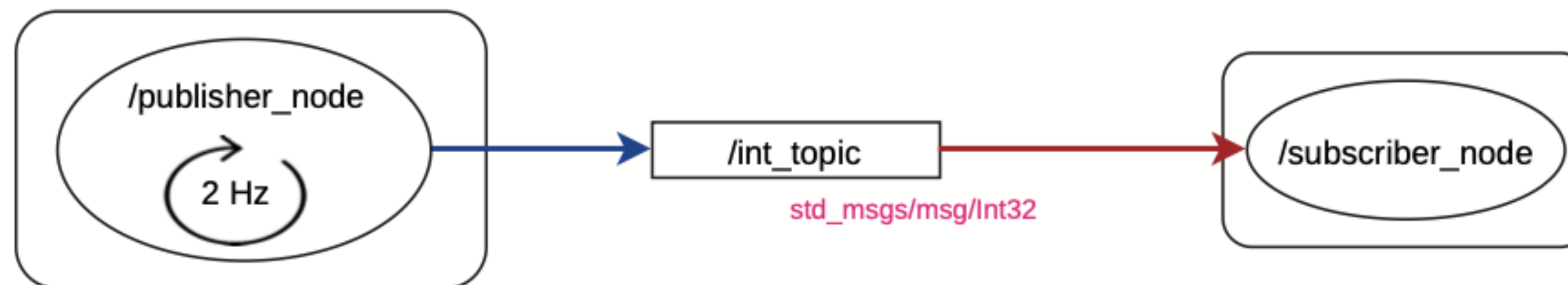
## Subscribing

```
class SubscriberNode : public rclcpp::Node
{
public:
    SubscriberNode() : Node("subscriber_node")
    {
        subscriber_ = create_subscription<std_msgs::msg::Int32>("int_topic", 10,
            std::bind(&SubscriberNode::callback, this, _1));
    }

    void callback(const std_msgs::msg::Int32::SharedPtr msg)
    {
        RCLCPP_INFO(get_logger(), "Hello %d", msg->data);
    }

private:
    rclcpp::Subscription<std_msgs::msg::Int32>::SharedPtr subscriber_;
};
```

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics subscriber_class
```





# The br2\_BASICS Package

## About QoS

Default	Reliable	Volatile	Keep Last
Services	Reliable	Volatile	Normal Queue
Sensor	Best Effort	Volatile	Small Queue
DParameters	Reliable	Volatile	Large Queue

```
publisher = node->create_publisher<std_msgs::msg::String>(
    "chatter", rclcpp::QoS(100).transient_local().best_effort());
```

```
publisher_ = create_publisher<sensor_msgs::msg::LaserScan>(
    "scan", rclcpp::SensorDataQoS().reliable());
```

Compatibility of QoS durability profiles		Subscriber	
		Volatile	Transient Local
Publisher	Volatile	Volatile	No Connection
	Transient Local	Volatile	Transient Local

Compatibility of QoS reliability profiles		Subscriber	
		Best Effort	Reliable
Publisher	Best Effort	Best Effort	No Connection
	Reliable	Best Effort	Reliable



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Launchers

- Declaratives
- Alternatives: xml and yaml

```
from launch import LaunchDescription
from launch_ros.actions import Node

def generate_launch_description():
    pub_cmd = Node(
        package='basics',
        executable='publisher',
        output='screen'
    )

    sub_cmd = Node(
        package='basics',
        executable='subscriber_class',
        output='screen'
    )

    ld = LaunchDescription()
    ld.add_action(pub_cmd)
    ld.add_action(sub_cmd)

    return ld
```

```
install(DIRECTORY launch DESTINATION share/${PROJECT_NAME})
```

```
$ ros2 launch br2_basics pub_sub_v2_launch.py
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Parameters

- Use parameters for configure node's behavior
- Declare parameters and get their values

```
class LocalizationNode : public rclcpp::Node
{
public:
    LocalizationNode() : Node("localization_node")
    {
        declare_parameter<int>("number_particles", 200);
        declare_parameter<std::vector<std::string>>("topics", {});
        declare_parameter<std::vector<std::string>>("topic_types", {});

        get_parameter("number_particles", num_particles_);
        RCLCPP_INFO_STREAM(get_logger(), "Number of particles: " << num_particles_);

        get_parameter("topics", topics_);
        get_parameter("topic_types", topic_types_);

        if (topics_.size() != topic_types_.size()) {
            RCLCPP_ERROR(get_logger(), "Number of topics (%zu) != number of types (%zu)",
                topics_.size(), topic_types_.size());
        } else {
            RCLCPP_INFO_STREAM(get_logger(), "Number of topics: " << topics_.size());
            for (size_t i = 0; i < topics_.size(); i++) {
                RCLCPP_INFO_STREAM(
                    get_logger(),
                    "\t" << topics_[i] << "\t - " << topic_types_[i]);
            }
        }
    }

private:
    int num_particles_;
    std::vector<std::string> topics_;
    std::vector<std::string> topic_types_;
};
```

# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Parameters

- Use parameters for configure node's behavior
- Declare parameters and get their values

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics param_reader
```

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics param_reader --ros-args -p number_particles:=300
```

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics param_reader --ros-args -p number_particles:=300  
-p topics:= '[scan, image]' -p topic_types:='[sensor_msgs/msg/LaserScan,  
sensor_msgs/msg/Image]'
```

```
from launch import LaunchDescription  
from launch_ros.actions import Node  
  
def generate_launch_description():  
    param_reader_cmd = Node(  
        package='basics',  
        executable='param_reader',  
        parameters=[  
            'particles': 300,  
            'topics': ['scan', 'image'],  
            'topic_types': ['sensor_msgs/msg/LaserScan', 'sensor_msgs/msg/Image']  
        ],  
        output='screen'  
    )  
  
    ld = LaunchDescription()  
    ld.add_action(param_reader_cmd)  
  
    return ld
```



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Parameters

- Use parameters for configure node's behavior
- Declare parameters and get their values

config/params.yaml

```
localization_node:
  ros__parameters:
    number_particles: 300
    topics: [scan, image]
    topic_types: [sensor_msgs/msg/LaserScan, sensor_msgs/msg/Image]
```

```
$ ros2 run br2_basics param_reader --ros-args --params-file
install/basics/share/basics/config/params.yaml
```

```
def generate_launch_description():
    ...
    param_reader_cmd = Node(
        package='basics',
        executable='param_reader',
        parameters=[param_file],
        output='screen'
    )
```



# The br2\_BASICS Package

## Executors

```
int main(int argc, char * argv[]) {
    rclcpp::init(argc, argv);

    auto node_pub = std::make_shared<PublisherNode>();
    auto node_sub = std::make_shared<SubscriberNode>();

    rclcpp::executors::SingleThreadedExecutor executor;

    executor.add_node(node_pub);
    executor.add_node(node_sub);

    executor.spin();

    rclcpp::shutdown();
    return 0;
}
```

```
auto node_pub = std::make_shared<PublisherNode>();
auto node_sub = std::make_shared<SubscriberNode>();

rclcpp::executors::MultiThreadedExecutor executor(
    rclcpp::executor::ExecutorArgs(), 8);

executor.add_node(node_pub);
executor.add_node(node_sub);

executor.spin();
}
```



# Simulated Robot Setup



```
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=factory
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=featured
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=pal_office
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=small_factory
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=small_office
$ ros2 launch br2_tiago sim.launch.py world:=willow_garage
```



# Simulated Robot Setup

## Topics and Remaps

```
$ ros2 topic list
```

```
$ ros2 run teleop_twist_keyboard teleop_twist_keyboard --ros-args -r  
cmd_vel:=key_vel
```



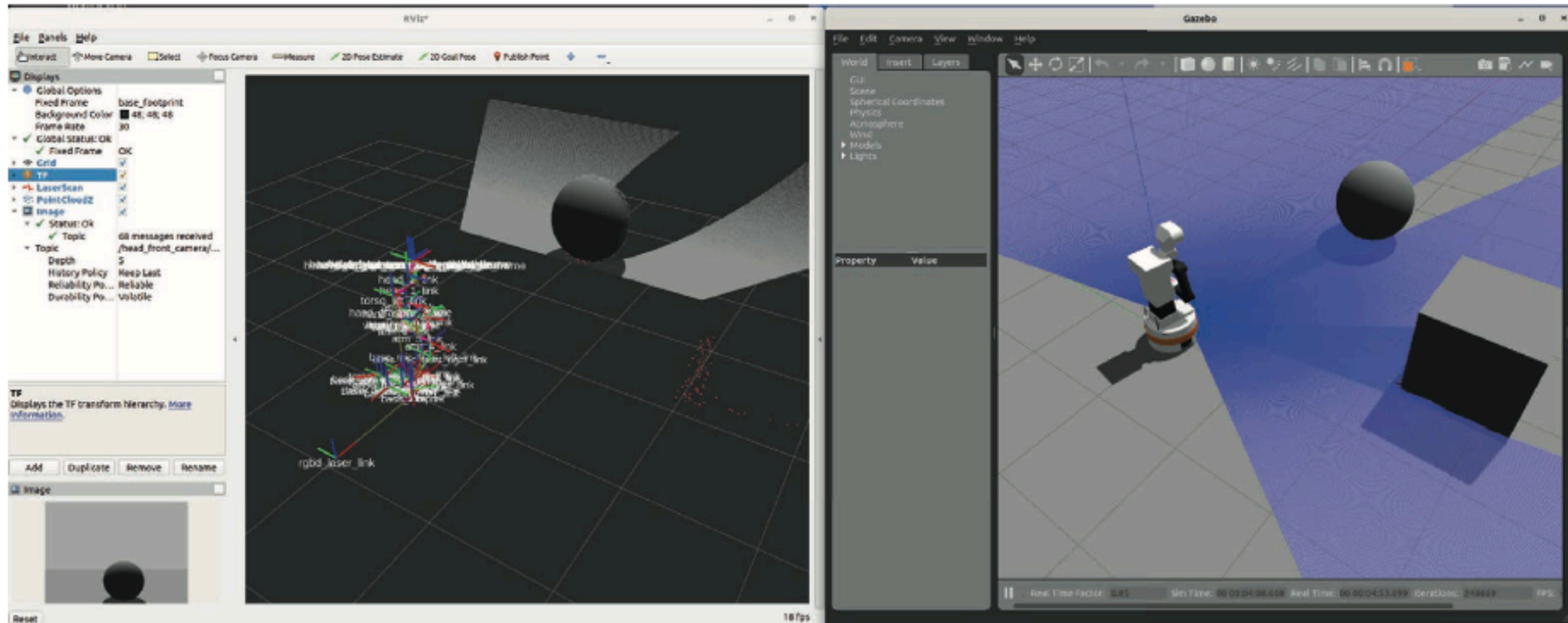
```
$ ros2 topic echo --no-arr /scan_raw
```

```
$ ros2 topic echo --no-arr /head_front_camera/rgb/image_raw
```

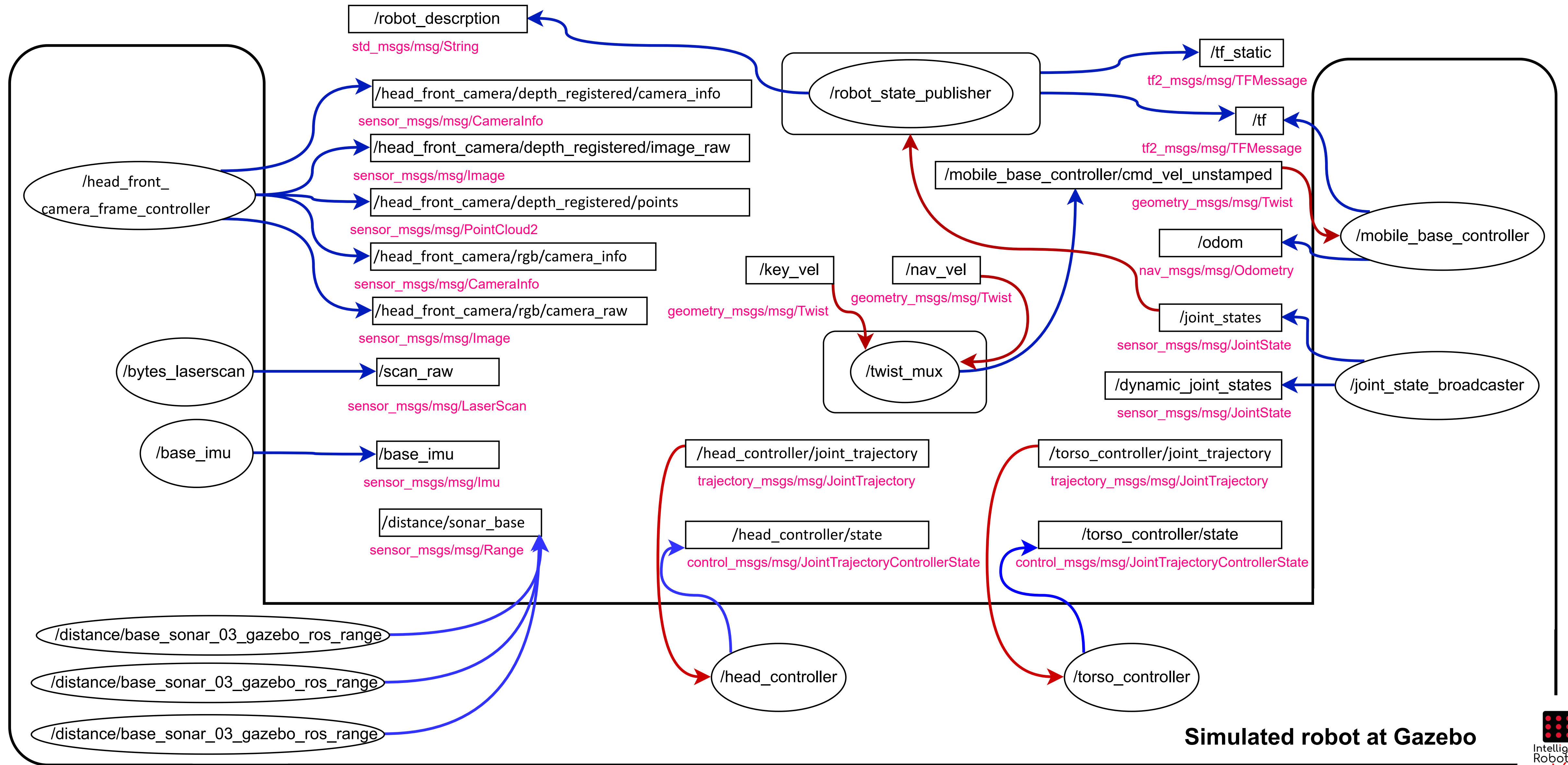
# Simulated Robot Setup

## Rviz2

```
$ ros2 run rviz2 rviz2
```







Simulated robot at Gazebo