3D Displacement Measurement using ARUCO Marker

User Guide



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Overview

This is the user manual for the 3D displacement measurement toolkit utilizing GigE cameras and aruco marker.

Requirements

The following are the system's specifications:

- 1. Desktop Computer System (Intel Core i5, 8GB, 256GB)
- 2. Gigabit Ethernet GigE Machine Vision Industrial Camera (MS-GE40GC-T 0.4MP 298fps)
- 3. Quad Network Interface Card (I340-T4 Network Card Intel 1000Mbps) (for multiple cameras)
- 4. Ubuntu 20.04 LTE with ROS Noetic

Working Instructions

The following describe the working of the system:

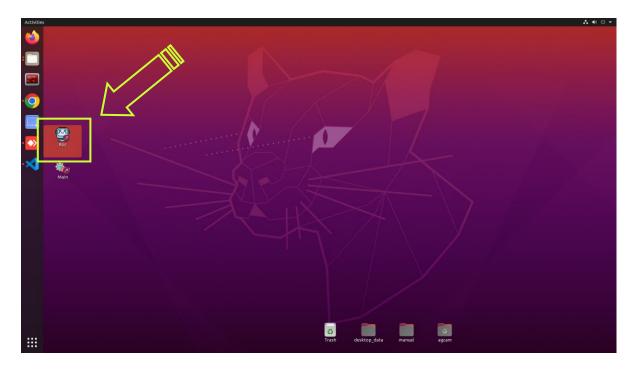
- 1. Ros Initialization
- 2. Store camera video stream for post processing
- 3. Displacement calculation using post processing of stored video stream data.

Following is a comprehensive description of the preceding steps:

Step No. 01: ROS Initialization

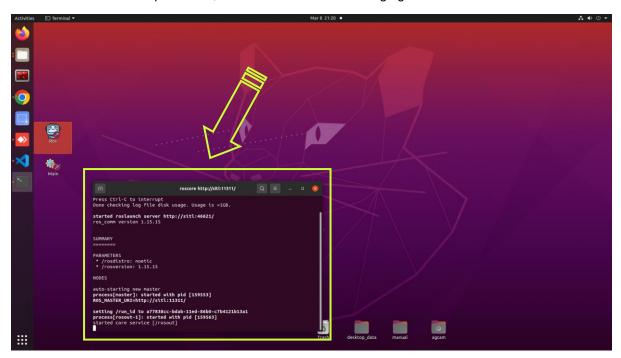
The following steps are required for every ROS-compatible program:

1. Initialize the **ROS node** by pressing the **Ros** desktop icon () as shown in the following figure:





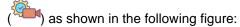
2. The **ROS node** is now operational, as illustrated in the following figure:



3. Next, we will launch our main program.

Step No. 02: Main Program Initialization

1. Initialize the Main Graphical User Interface (GUI) program by pressing the Main desktop icon







2. Now the *Main program* node is running, as showing in the following figure:



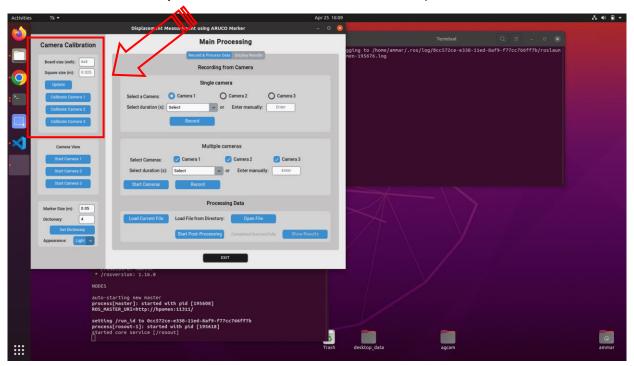
3. Now we may proceed to the next steps.



Step No. 03: Camera Calibration

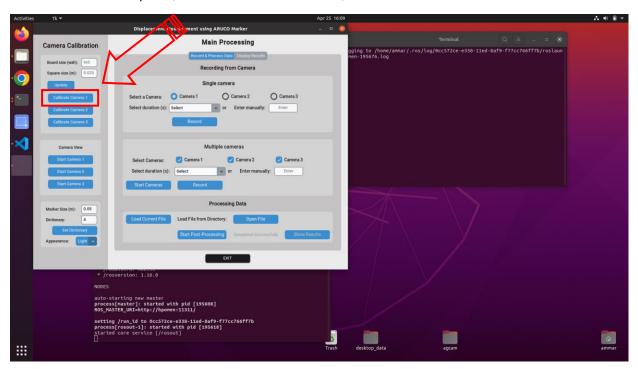
The next step is to calibrate the cameras as described in the subsequent steps:

- 1. The first step is to set the **Camera Calibration** parameters, as depicted in the figure below:
 - a. Enter the **Board size** of the checkerboard in the given format (e.g., 6x5).
 - b. Enter the Checkerboard **Square size** in meters (e.g., 0.020).
 - c. Press the **Update** button to set the Camera Calibration parameters.

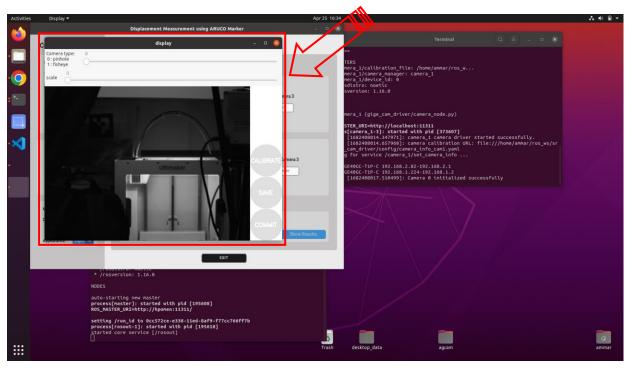






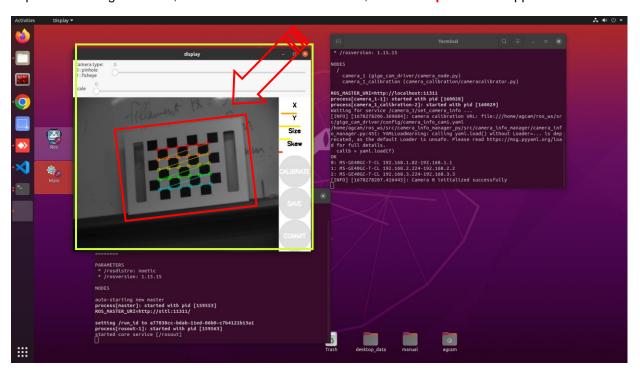


3. The camera calibration window will launch as shown below:

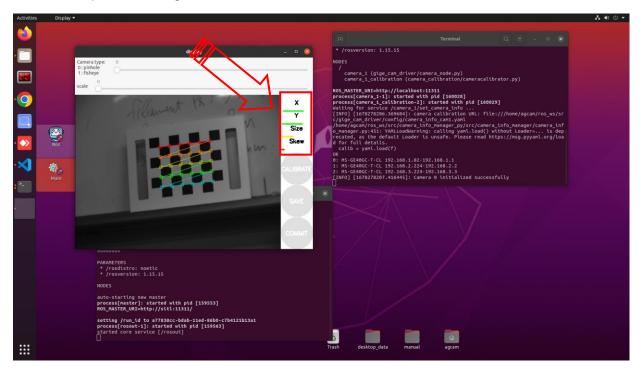




4. Place a **6x4 Checkerboard** in front of the **Camera 1** to initiate the **Calibration** process. As depicted in the figure below, if the checkerboard is identified, a **colorful pattern** will appear:



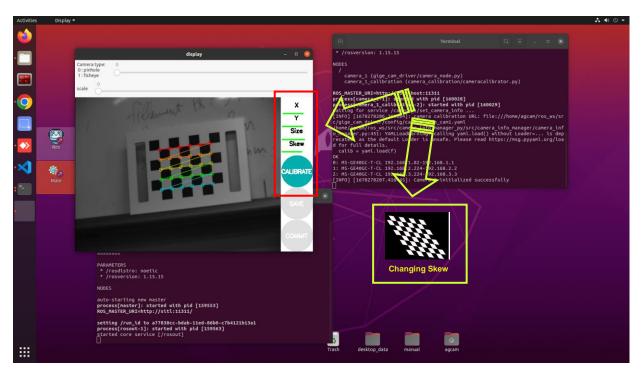
5. Move the **Checkerboard** in horizontal and vertical directions until the bars below **X** and **Y** turn **Green**, as depicted in the figure below:



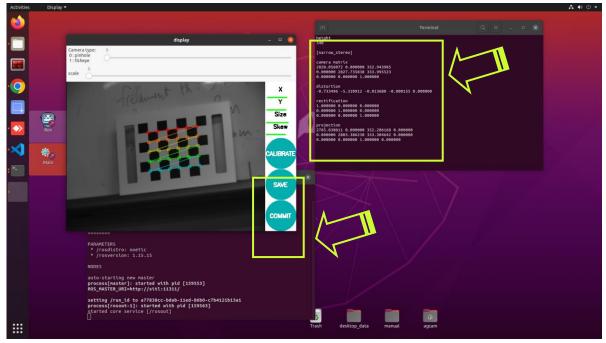
6. Move the **Checkerboard** towards and away from the camera for **Size** adjustment, and turn diagonally (changing roll, pitch, and yaw axis) for **Skew** adjustment, until the bars below **Size**



and **Skew** turn **Green** and the **CALIBRATE** button also turns **Green**, as shown in the figure below:



7. Press the **SAVE** button to save the camera parameters and calibration images, then press the **COMMIT** button to conclude the **Camera Calibrating** procedure. The terminal screen will display the camera's parameters as shown below:

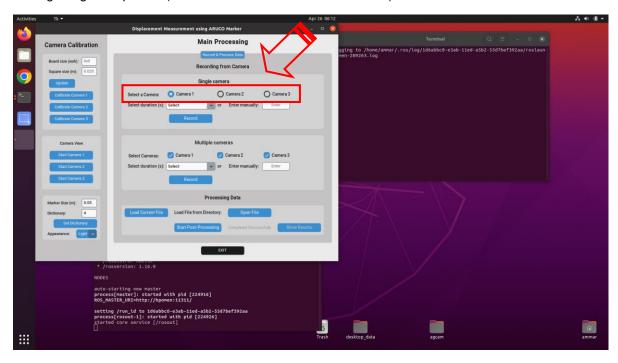


- 8. Camera Calibration has been completed successfully, close the terminal window and now we may proceed to the next steps.
- 9. Repeat the same steps to calibrate Camera 2 and Camera 3.

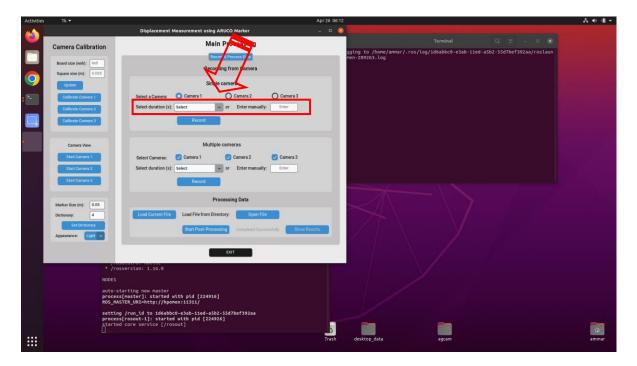


Step No. 04: Recording Camera Data for Post Processing

1. The first step in recording camera data for post processing is Camera Selection. **Select Camera** among the given options: (**Camera 1** or **Camera 2** or **Camera 3**) as shown below:

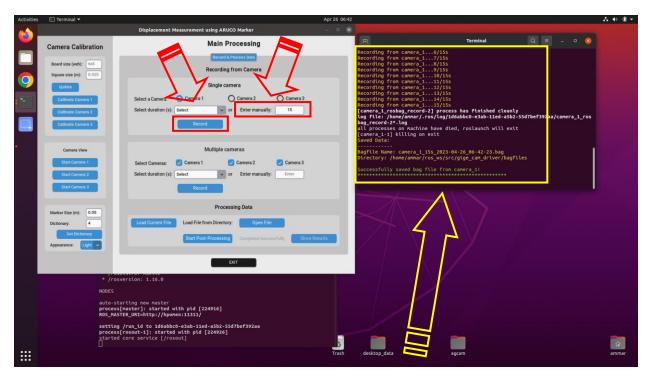


- 2. Now Select duration in seconds for camera recording
 - a. Either choose from the drop-down menu (among 10s, 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s or 60s)
 - b. Or you may enter the time duration manually.
 - c. **Note:** If both drop-down and manual entry are present, the **manual entry will be considered** for camera recording.





3. Now press the **Record** button, to store the camera data for the desired time duration, as shown below:



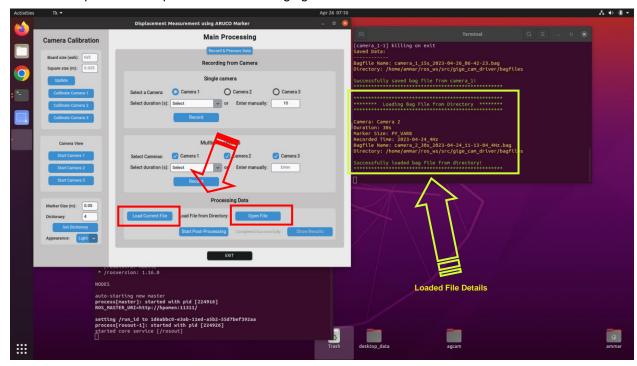
4. A message will be displayed after successful recording or camera data as shown in the figure above:

Now you may proceed to the next step.



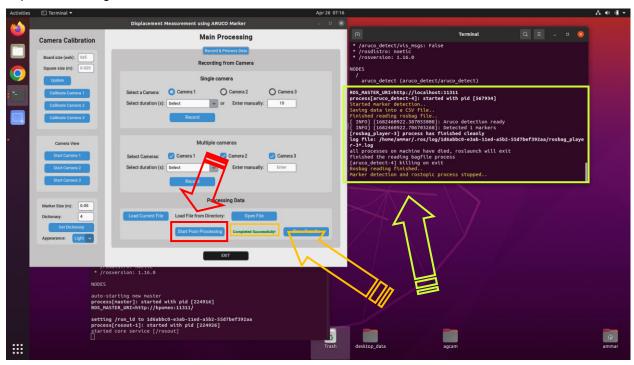
Step No. 05: Post Processing from Saved Camera Data

- 1. The first step in post processing is to load the recorded camera file:
 - a. Either press the Load Current File button to load the last saved file.
 - b. Or press **Open File** button to open a window and select the recorded camera file for post processing.
 - c. The loaded file details are displayed in the Terminal window.
 - d. The process is depicted in the following figure:

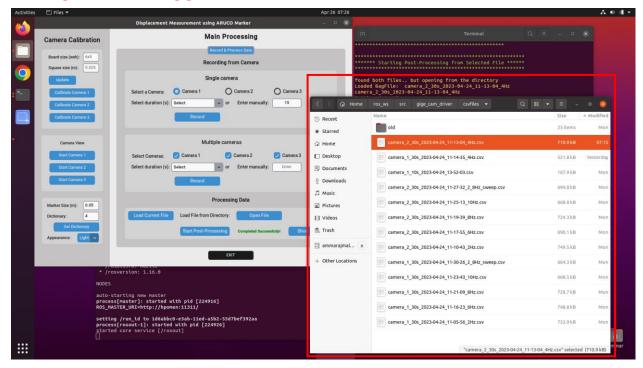




2. Now press **Start Post Processing** button to start **Displacement Calculation** from camera data, as depicted in the figure below:

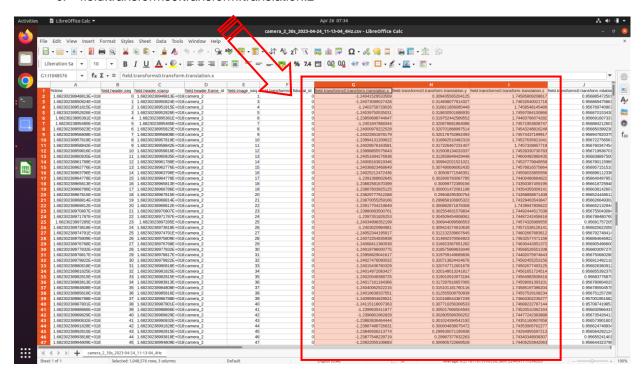


3. The three-dimensional displacement data stored as the .csv file is stored under the directory /home/agcam/ros_ws/src/gige_cam_driver/csvfiles/, as shown below:





- 4. The following illustration depicts the contents of a CSV file featuring three-dimensional displacement data as variables:
 - a. field.transforms0.transform.translation.x
 - b. field.transforms0.transform.translation.y
 - c. field.transforms0.transform.translation.z



5. The post-processing has completed effectively.