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)
- 4. Ubuntu 20.04 LTE with ROS Noetic

Working Instructions

The following describe the working of the system:

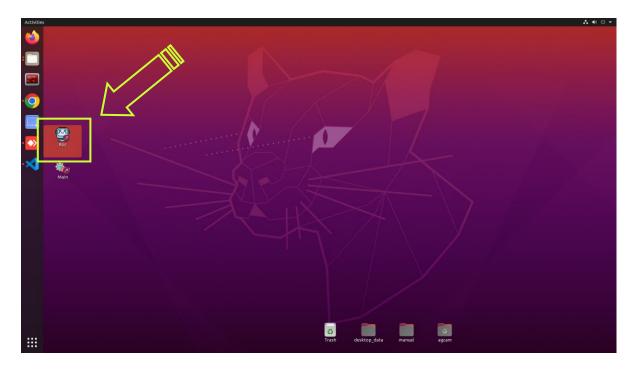
- 1. Ros Initialization
- 2. Store camera video stream for post processing
- 3. Displacement calculation using post processing of stored video stream data.

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:





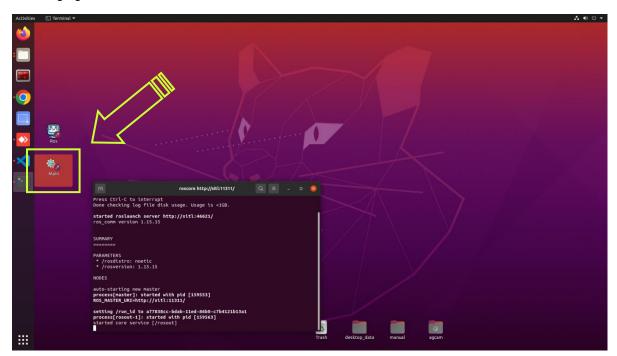
2. The **ROS node** is now operational, as illustrated in the following figure:



3. Next, we will launch our main program.

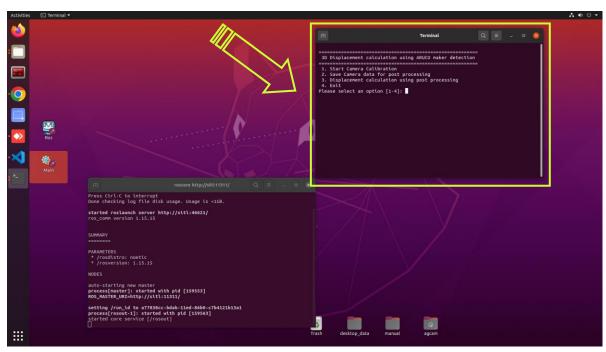
Step No. 02: Main Program Initialization

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





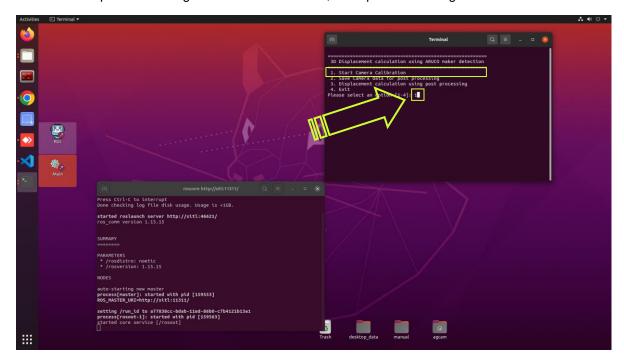
2. Now the *Main program* node is running, as showing in the following figure:



3. Now we may proceed to the next steps.

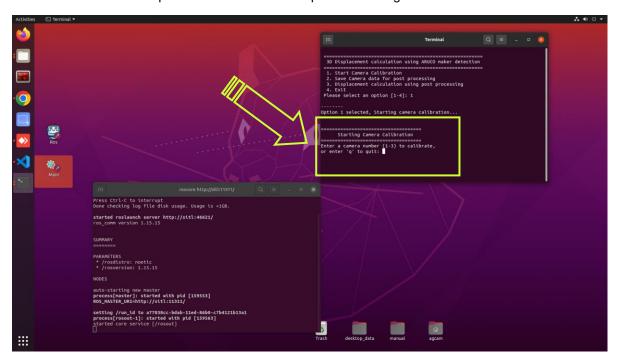
Step No. 03: Camera Calibration

1. Please select option "1" to begin Camera Calibration, as depicted in the figure below:

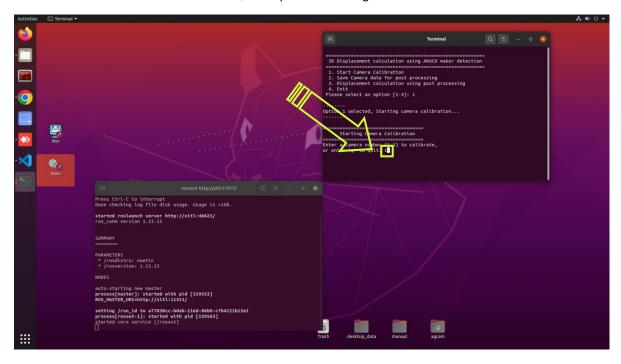




2. The Camera Calibration process has started as depicted in the figure:

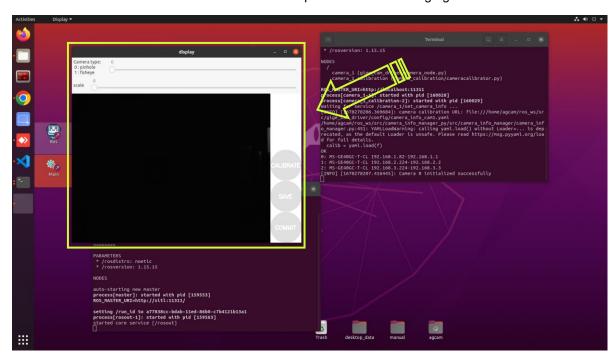


3. Please select "1" to calibrate **Camera 1**, as depicted in the figure below:

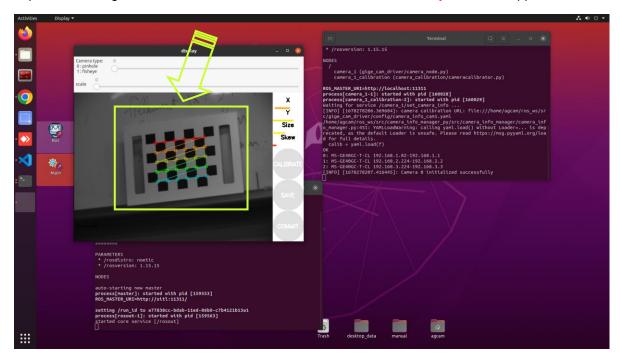




4. The Camera Calibration window will launch as depicted in the following figure:

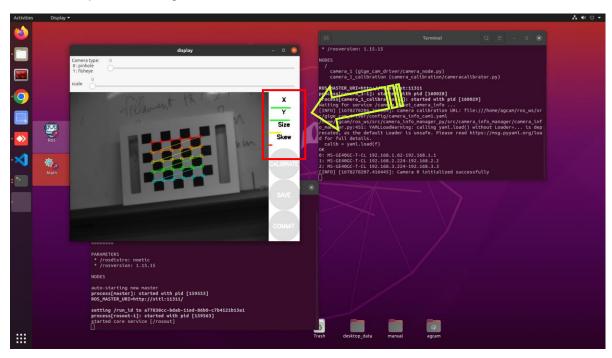


5. Place a **6x4 Checkerboard** in front of the **Camera 1** to initiate the **Calibration** process. As depicted in the figure below, if the checkerboard is identified, a **colorful pattern** will appear:

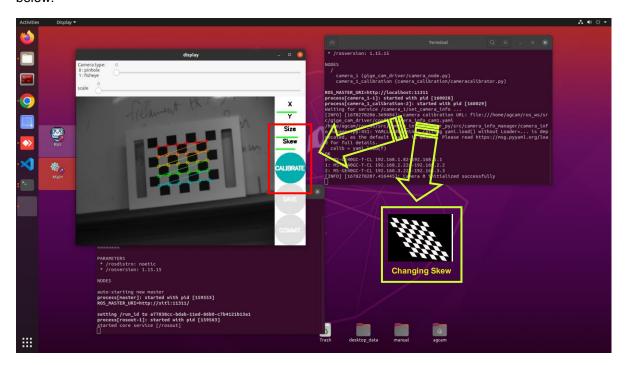




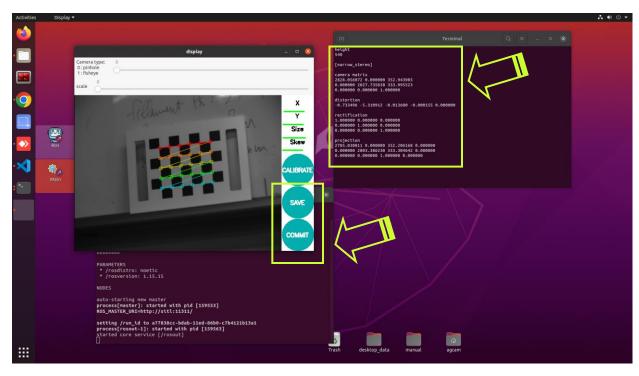
6. Move the **Checkerboard** in horizontal and vertical directions until the bars below **X** and **Y** turn **Green**, as depicted in the figure below:



7. 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:



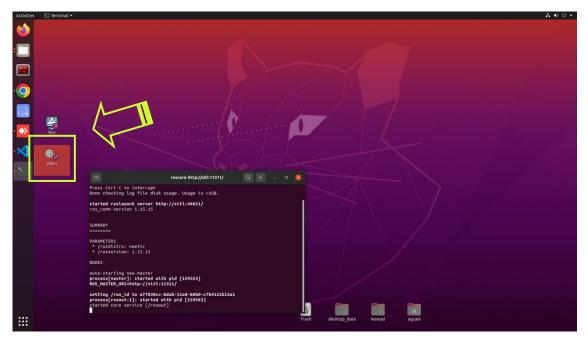
8. Press the **SAVE** button to save the camera parameters and calibration images, then press the **COMMIT** button to conclude the **Camera Calibrating** procedure. The terminal screen will display the camera's parameters as shown below:



9. Camera Calibration has completed successfully, close the terminal window and now we may proceed to the next steps.

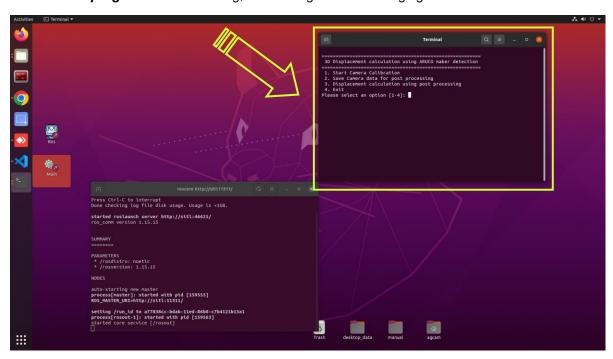
Step No. 04: Storing Camera Data for Post Processing

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

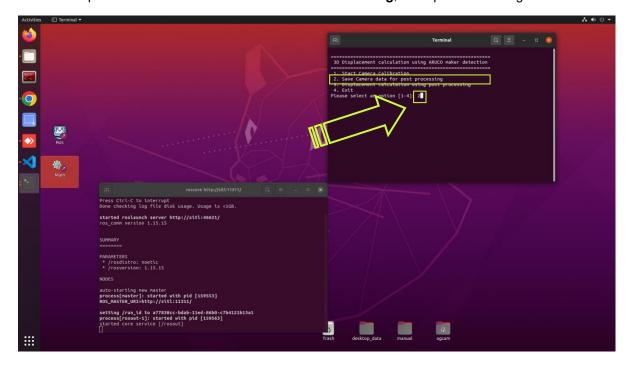




2. Now the *Main program* node is running, as showing in the following figure:

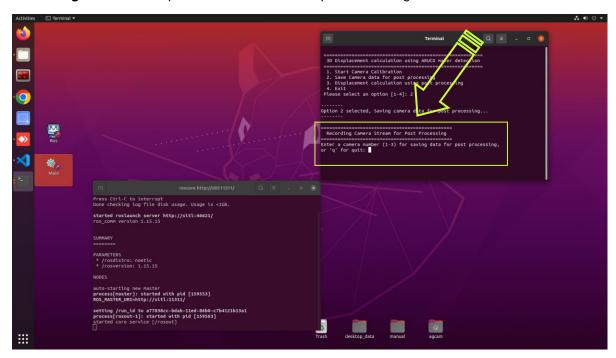


3. Now select option "2" to **store** camera data for **Post Processing**, as depicted in the figure below:





4. The Storing Camera Data process has started as depicted in the figure:

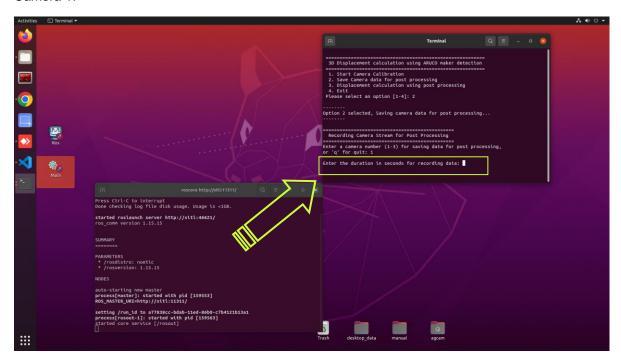


5. Please enter "1" to record the camera stream from **Camera 1** for post-processing, as shown in the figure below:

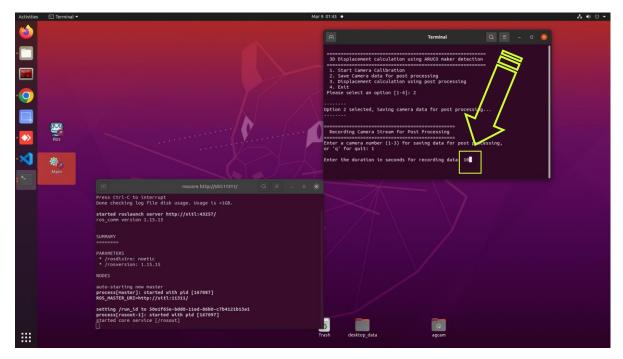




6. Enter the duration for which the camera data should be recorded for post-processing from Camera 1.

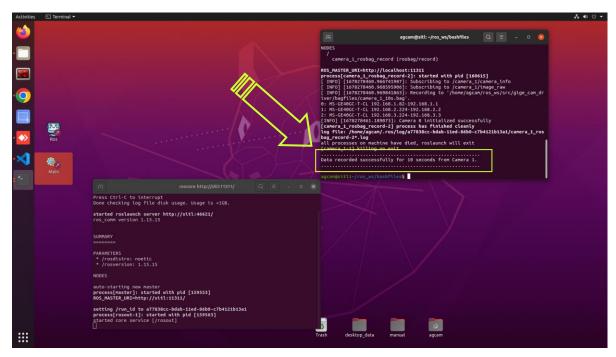


7. Please enter "10" to capture 10 seconds of video stream from Camera 1 for post-processing, as depicted in the figure below:





8. Now a 10 seconds of video stream from **Camera 1** for post-processing has been successfully saved as shown in the following figure:



9. Now you may close the terminal window and proceed to the next step.

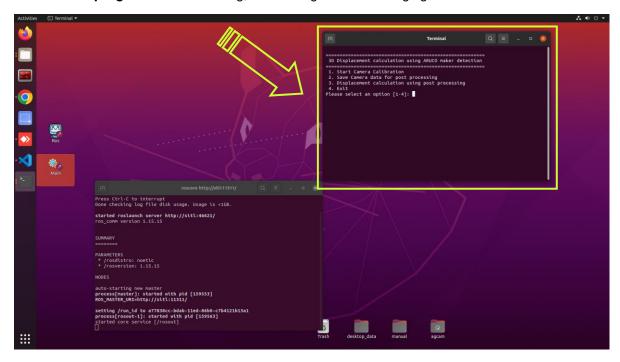
Step No. 05: Post Processing from Saved Camera Data

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

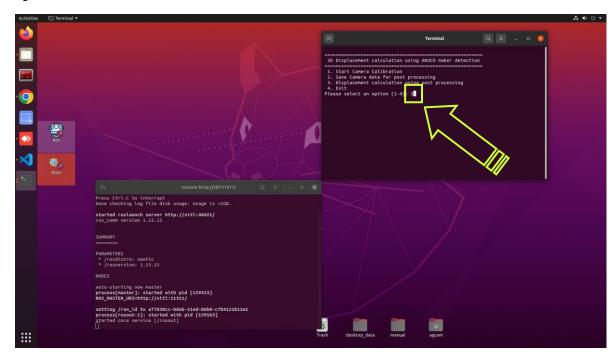




2. Now the *Main program* node is running, as showing in the following figure:

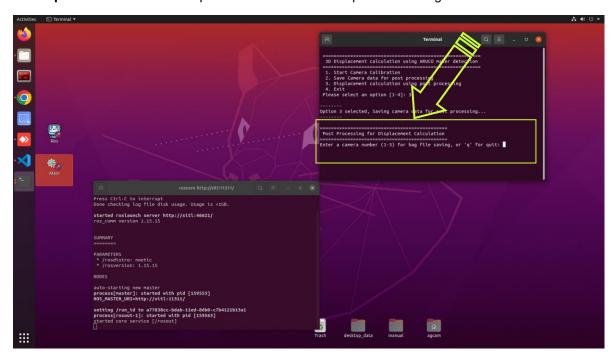


3. Now select option "3" to start **Displacement Calculation** from camera data, as depicted in the figure below:

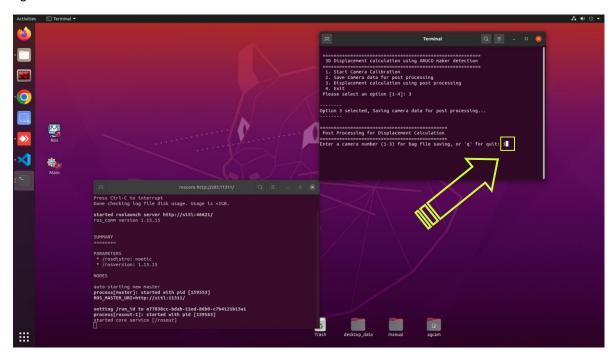




4. The **Displacement Calculation** process has started as depicted in the figure:



5. Please enter "1" to use the **Camera 1** recorded stream for post-processing, as shown in the figure below:





6. Enter the duration of the stored video stream from **Camera 1** to be used for post-processing, as depicted in the figure below:

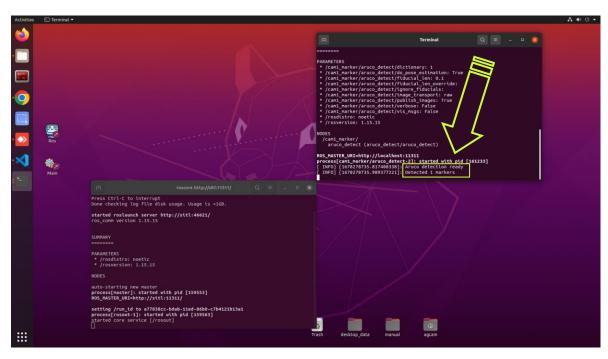


7. Please enter "10" to use 10 seconds video stream stored from Camera 1 for post-processing, as depicted in the figure below:

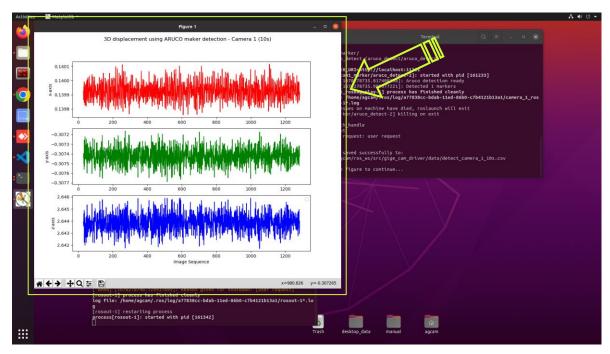




8. The following figure demonstrates that the **ARUCO marker** is **detected** in the video captured by **Camera 1**:



9. The **three-dimensional displacement** plots are then displayed as shown in the subsequent figure:



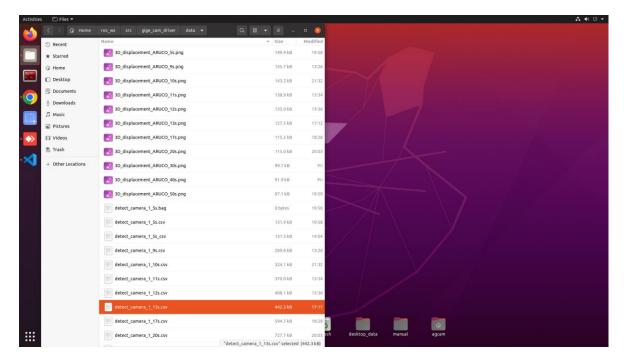
10. To proceed, please close the Figure window.



11. The post-processing procedure was completed successfully, displaying the csv file and plot file storage paths as shown in the figure below:

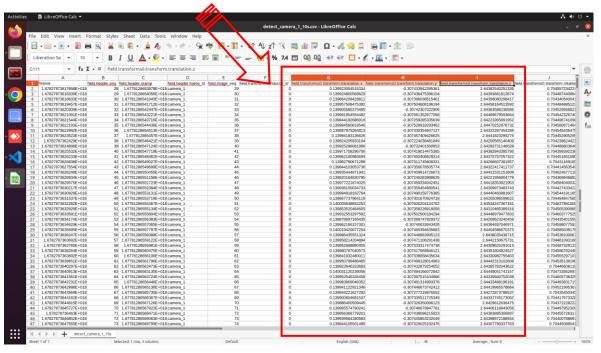


12. The three-dimensional displacement data stored as the.csv files as well as the plot images are stored under the directory /home/agcam/ros_ws/src/gige_cam_driver/data/, as shown below:





13. The following illustration depicts the contents of a CSV file featuring three-dimensional displacement data:



14. The post-processing has completed effectively.