

WHAT IS ROS?

- ▶ ROS is an open-source software framework for robot software development
- ▶ Provides an operating system-like functionality



WHAT IS ROS?

- ▶ Provides OS services
- ▶ Hardware abstraction
- ▶ Low-level device control
- ▶ Implementation of commonly-used functionality
- ▶ Message-passing between processes
- ▶ Package management

WHAT IS ROS?



USER APPS

ROS

ROBOT HARDWARE
(SENSORS, ACTUATORS)

ROS ECOSYSTEM

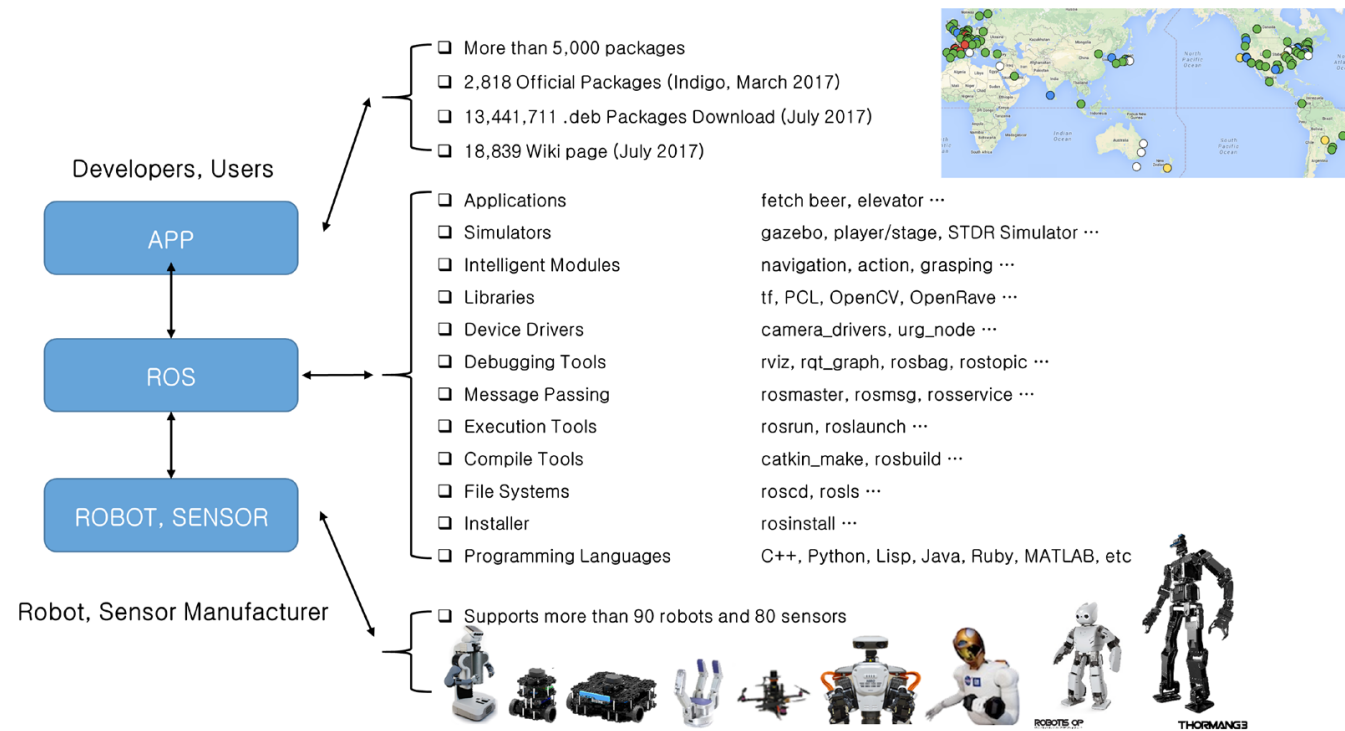


FIGURE 2-4 ROS Ecosystem

Reference Book: **ROS Robot Programming** (in English). Authors: Yoonseok Pyo, Hanchael Cho, Leon Jung, Darby Lim

ROS DISTRIBUTIONS

- Dec 08, 2017 - Release of ROS 2.0
- Sep 21, 2017 - ROSCon2017 (Canada)
- May 23, 2017 - Release of Lunar Loggerhead
- May 16, 2017 - Changed name from OSRF to Open Robotics
- Oct 8, 2016 - ROSCon2016 (South Korea)
- May 23, 2016 - Release of Kinetic Kame
- Oct 3, 2015 - ROSCon2015 (Germany)
- May 23, 2015 - Release of Jade Turtle
- Sep 12, 2014 - ROSCon2014 Conference (U.S.)
- Jul 22, 2014 - Release of Indigo Igloo
- Jun 6, 2014 - ROS Kong 2014 Conference (Hong Kong)
- Sep 4, 2013 - Release of Hydro Medusa
- May 11, 2013 - ROSCon2013 Conference (Germany)
- Feb 11, 2013 - Open Source Robotics Foundation takes on development/management
- Dec 31, 2012 - Release of Groovy Galapagos
- May 19, 2012 - ROSCon2012 Conference (U.S.)
- Apr 23, 2012 - Release of Fuerte
- Aug 30, 2011 - Release of Electric Emys
- Mar 2, 2011 - Release of Diamondback
- Aug 2, 2010 - Release of C Turtle
- Mar 2, 2010 - Release of Box Turtle
- Jan 22, 2010 - Release of ROS 1.0
- Nov 1, 2007 - Willow Garage starts development under the name 'ROS'
- May 1, 2007 - Switchyard Project, Morgan Quigley, Stanford AI LAB, Stanford University
- 2000 - Player/Stage Project, Brian Gerkey, University of Southern California (USC)

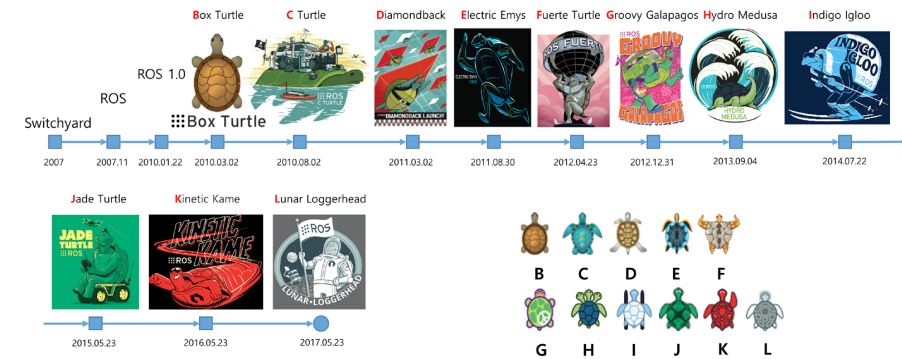


FIGURE 2-7 ROS Versions(<http://wiki.ros.org/>)



FIGURE 2-8 Turtle icons for each version of ROS

Distro	Release Date	Poster	Symbol	EOL Date
Lunar Loggerhead	2017.05.23			2019.05
Kinetic Kame (Recommended)	2016.05.23			2021.04 (Xenial EOL)
Jade Turtle	2015.05.23			2017.05
Indigo Igloo	2014.07.22			2019.04 (Trusty EOL)

FIGURE 2-9 Recent ROS versions and end of support date

WHY ROS?

- ▶ Code reuse in Robotics R&D
- ▶ Ready-to-use development environment
- ▶ Comprehensive tools and client API libraries
- ▶ Scalable (distributed network of processes loosely coupled)
- ▶ Large community
- ▶ Continuous support