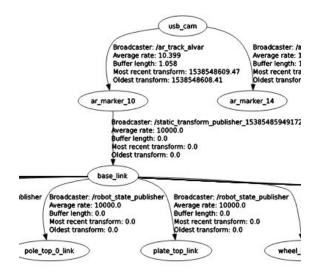
Here's how we've gotten (most) turtlebots working with AR tracking (note: the ar marker numbers for the ar tags on the turtlebots are written on the backside of the tags):

- 1. Create lab6 workspace
- 2. Run git clone <a href="https://github.com/ucb-ee106/ar\_track\_alvar.git">https://github.com/ucb-ee106/ar\_track\_alvar.git</a> inside the src directory to get the package
- 3. Download ARTag\_Resources.zip folder from under Lab 4 on bCourses, extract the folder and copy the files inside it to the new ar\_track\_alvar/launch directory (there should be no extra folders inside this directory, only launch files)
- 4. Modify webcam\_track.launch to have only the Logitech parameters uncommented, make sure the camera\_info\_url param has value="file://\$(find ar track alvar)/launch/usb cam.yml"
- 5. Change the marker size to be 17.7 in order to account for using the larger AR Tags
- 6. Run catkin\_make in the new workspace to build the ar\_track\_alvar package
- 7. Add the line export ROS\_MASTER\_URI=<a href="http://[TurtleID].local:11311">http://[TurtleID].local:11311</a> to your ~/.bashrc file, making sure to replace [TurtleID] with the color of your turtlebot (ie red, blue, black, yellow, green)
- 8. Make sure the turtlebot is turned on (switch on the base, a green light should light up while on)
- 9. In terminal, run ssh turtlebot@[TurtleID].local (password is EE106A18) again replacing [TurtleID] with the proper name. (if you are not able to log in, go into your ~/.bashrc and replace the line export ROS\_HOSTNAME=\$(hostname --short).local with export ROS\_HOSTNAME=192.168.1.[COMPUTER\_NUMBER] where [COMPUTER\_NUMBER] is your computer's number, value 1 through 10. Make sure to source ~/.bashrc again before continuing)
  - a. If errors are thrown about std::runtime\_error upon logging in, run export LC\_ALL="C" while still logged in. Note that you'll have to re-run this command any time you log into the turtlebot
- 10. In the same terminal, while still logged in, run roslaunch turtlebot\_bringup minimal.launch --screen and do not kill this window. The turtlebot should beep if this worked
- 11. In a new terminal (without logging in to the turtlebot) run roslaunch ar\_track\_alvar webcam\_track.launch and make sure that you have sourced your lab 6 workspace
- 12. In another new terminal (again without logging in to the turtlebot) run the command rosrun tf static\_transform\_publisher [args] where you will replace [args] with the appropriate arguments to this function (you'll have to look it up! There's a hint in the lab manual)
- 13. In yet another terminal on your local machine, run roslaunch turtlebot rviz launchers view navigation.launch
  - a. You may have to run more or different launch files to get full functionality working for checkoffs, this document is meant for getting the basic ar tracking with turtlebots running

- 14. In the Rviz window that opens, change Global Options > Fixed Frame to base\_link, then modify the view type to ThirdPersonFollower (rviz). This option should be in a panel at the top right corner of the screen
- 15. Add a camera in the same way you did in lab 4 and set the image topic to be /usb\_cam/image\_raw
  - a. If you do not get any images, make sure the camera has a clear view of the ar tag on top of your turtlebot, otherwise the static transform can't be published and this will block the image from being displayed (you might have to restart rviz/webcam\_track.launch with an unobstructed view)
- 16. Add an Axis and set the frame to be ar\_marker\_[NUM] where [NUM] is the ar marker number for the marker on top of your turtlebot (this number should be written on the backside of the tag itself; you might have to look for it a bit). At this point, you should have a working camera display in Rviz with axes displayed on the AR tag on your turtlebot. There should also be a robot model and axis display in rviz itself. You should be able to move the robot around and see that the ar tag is tracked properly. Be careful not to obstruct the camera's view of the ar tag, otherwise images won't be displayed properly.
  - a. To make sure the static\_transform\_publisher is working properly and the camera can see the ar tag, run rosrun rqt\_tf\_tree rqt\_tf\_tree on your local machine. You should see something like this in the middle of the tree:



b. The usb\_cam frame should be the parent of the ar\_marker\_[NUM] frame on your turtlebot (ar\_maker\_10 in this case) and this frame should be the parent of base\_link. If this is not the case, either the camera is obstructed or the static\_transform publisher command is incorrect