

# Using Azolla

- Create your own robot class by deriving it from Cazolla class.
- Put constructor.
- Put `az_sim_fn()` function. This function is pure virtual and will be executed iteratively. So no need to give things like `while(true)` to keep the simulation running.

# Example: Main File

```
#include "azolla/azolla.H"

class CMyRobot : public CAzolla
{
public:
    CMyRobot(CSimulationWindow *w)
        :CAzolla(w)
    {
        // Initialization
    }

    virtual void az_sim_fn()
    {
        // WRITE YOUR CODE HERE

        az_step();
    }
};

////////////////////////////////////
// MAIN
////////////////////////////////////

int main()
{
    CSimulationWindow win(600, 600,"azolla1");
    win.color(FL_GRAY);
    win.end();
    win.show();

    CMyRobot robot(&win);

    return(Fl::run());
}
```

# Configuration File

- Check file `configure.H`
- All robot and simulation parameters are in `configure.H` file.

# Example: configure.h

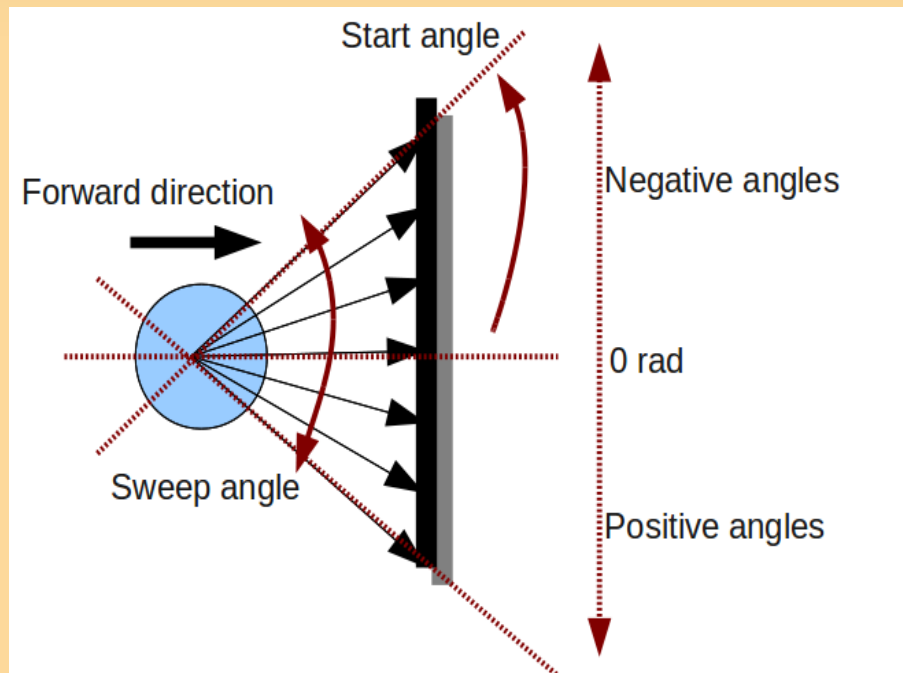
```
▪  ///< Scale, 1 meter equals to how many pixels?
▪  const double    SCALE_FACTOR = 192.0;
▪
▪
▪  ///< Simulation window refresh rate (in seconds)
▪  const double    SCREEN_TIMEOUT = 0.10;
▪
▪
▪  ///< Diameter size of the robot (in meters)
▪  const double    ROBOT_SIZE    = 0.1 * SCALE_FACTOR;
▪  const double    ROBOT_SIZE_2  = ROBOT_SIZE/2;
▪
▪
▪  ///< A grid area for probability of occupancy
▪  const int       GRID_MAP_H    = 500;
▪  const int       GRID_MAP_W    = 500;
▪
▪
▪  ///< Laser sensor properties
▪  const double    LIDAR_VAR_2    = 0.1 * SCALE_FACTOR;    ///< Standard deviation (meters)
▪  const double    LIDAR_VAR      = sqrt(LIDAR_VAR_2);      ///< Variance
▪  const double    LIDAR_START_ANGLE = -M_PI_2;            ///< Starting angle of the first ray
▪  const double    LIDAR_SWEEP_ANGLE = M_PI;               ///< Angle of area swept by the LIDAR
▪  const int       LIDAR_RAYS      = 100;                 ///< Number of rays
▪  const double    LIDAR_MAX       = 1.0 * SCALE_FACTOR;    ///< Maximum distance (meters)
▪
▪
▪  ///< Position based odometry
▪  const int       CHOSEN_PARTICLE = 0;                    ///< Select one particle
▪  const int       ODOM_SAMPLES    = 1000;
▪  const double    KT              = 0.10 / SCALE_FACTOR;  ///< Translation error parameter
▪  const double    KD              = 0.10 / SCALE_FACTOR;  ///< Drift error parameter
▪  const double    KR              = 0.08 / SCALE_FACTOR;  ///< Rotation error parameter
▪  const double    MT              = 0.0;                 ///< Translation error mean
▪  const double    MD              = 0.0;                 ///< Drift error mean
▪  const double    MR              = 0.0;                 ///< Rotation error mean
```

# Some Notices on configure.H

- Make sure that grid map (`GRID_MAP_H` x `GRID_MAP_W`) is bigger than your map size. Your map file should be a PNG file. You should check its size first.

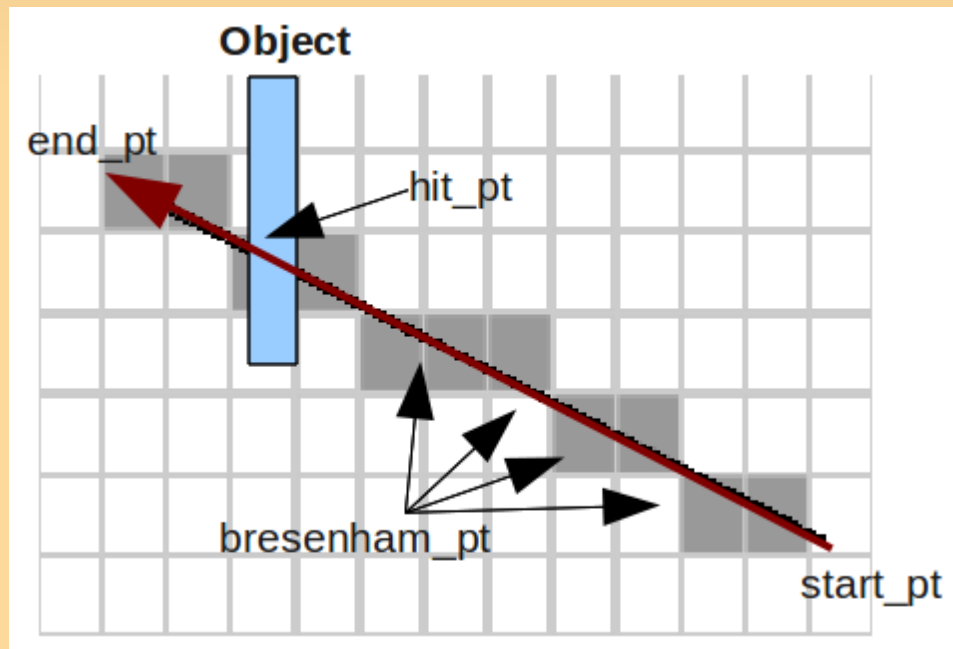
# Laser Sensor

- Currently only laser sensor (LIDAR) is supported.
- To understand what `LIDAR_START_ANGLE` and `LIDAR_SWEEP_ANGLE` is, please refer the picture below.



# Sensor Readings and Grid Mapping

- Please refer this picture below.
- This picture is describing what is happening in CSensor class.



# Sensor Readings and Grid Mapping

- The occupancy probability of the grid map is updated per 1 pixel, which means your grid map resolution is: your map real size divided by your PNG map size.
- Let say your real map size where the robot navigates is 10 m x 10 m, you scaled it down to a PNG file of 500 pixels x 500 pixels. It means your grid map resolution is 0.02 m x 0.02m or 2 cm x 2 cm.
- If you need more detail grid map, make the map file (the PNG file) larger using your favorite image editor software.



# Further Information

- Kinematic model
  - See `az_step_fn()` : void
- Odometry error model
  - See `odometry_thread_worker()` : void
- Equations to compute occupancy probability of the grid map.
  - See `calc_occupancy(bool with_error)` : void

# Dependencies

- FLTK library for GUI (mine is version 1.0.11)
- Boost libraries (mine is version 1.42)

- I will come with further updates later.
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