

The Future of the Robot Operating System

ROS 2.0

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ROSCon2015



Hamburg, Germany October 3-4, 2015

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Why ROS 2?

- Multiple robots
- Small embedded platforms
- Real-time systems
- Non-ideal networks
- Production environments
- Prescribed patterns for building and structuring systems
- New technologies: Zeroconf, Protocol Buffers, ZeroMQ, Redis, WebSockets, DDS (Data Distribution Service)
- API changes
- Risk associated with changing the current ROS system

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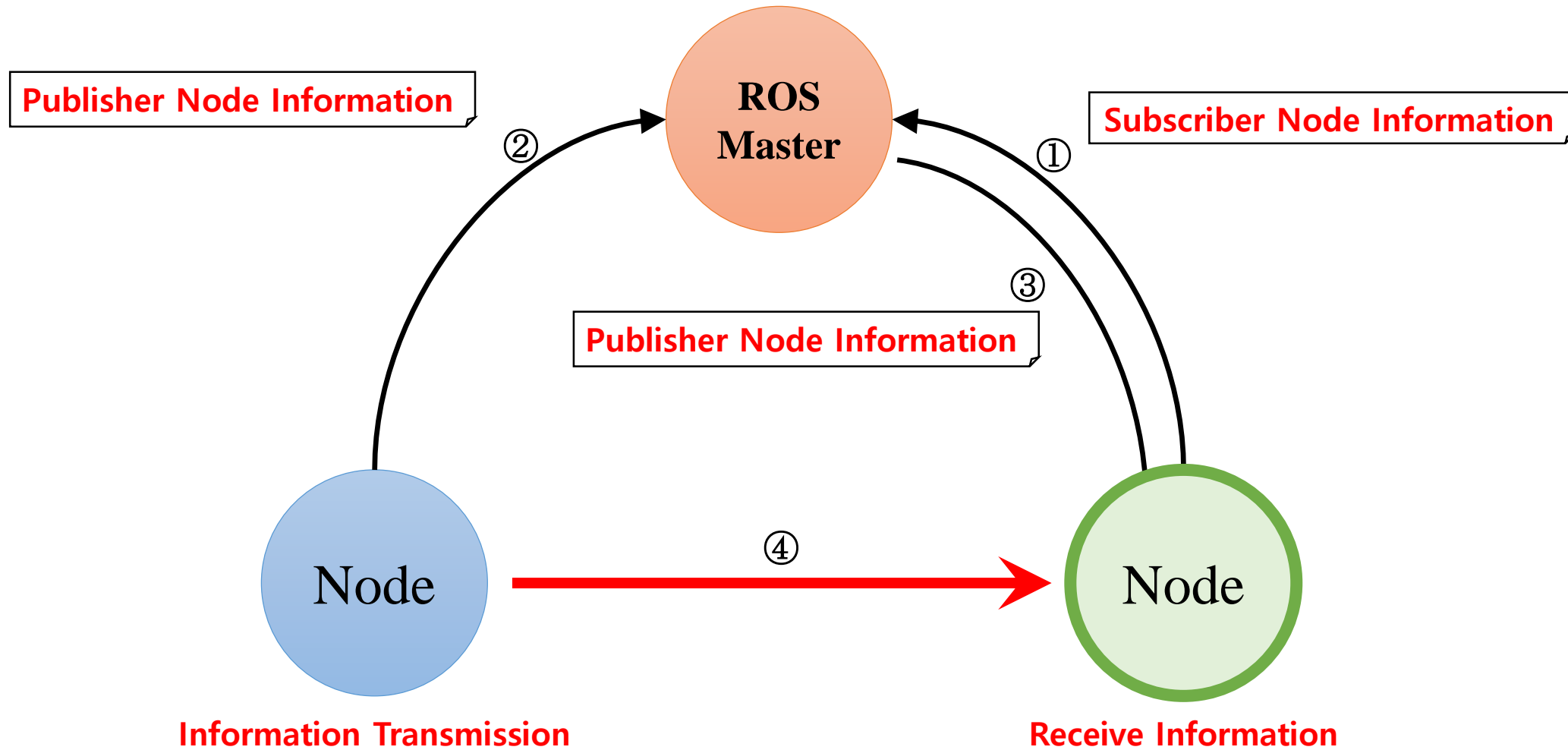
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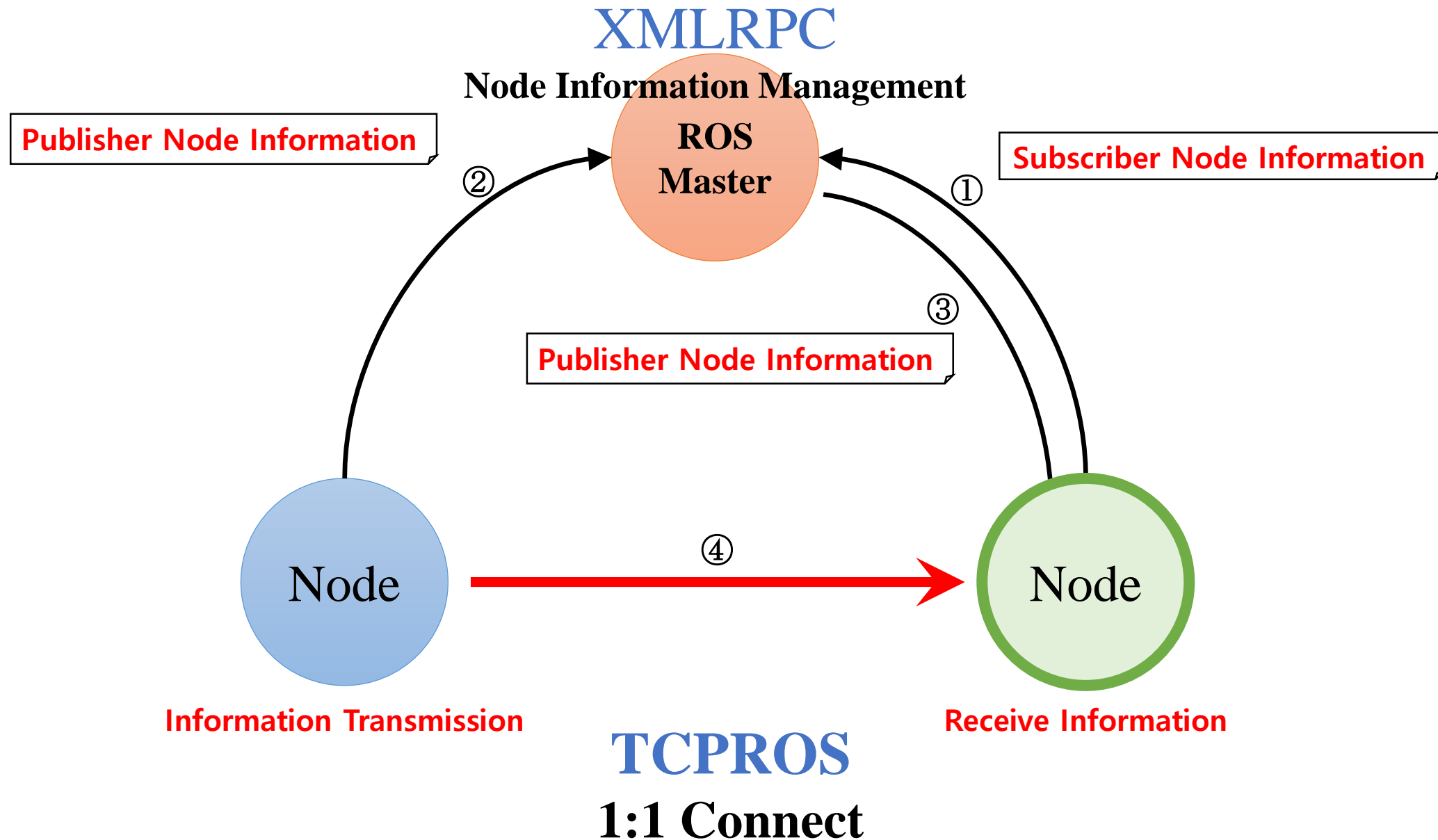
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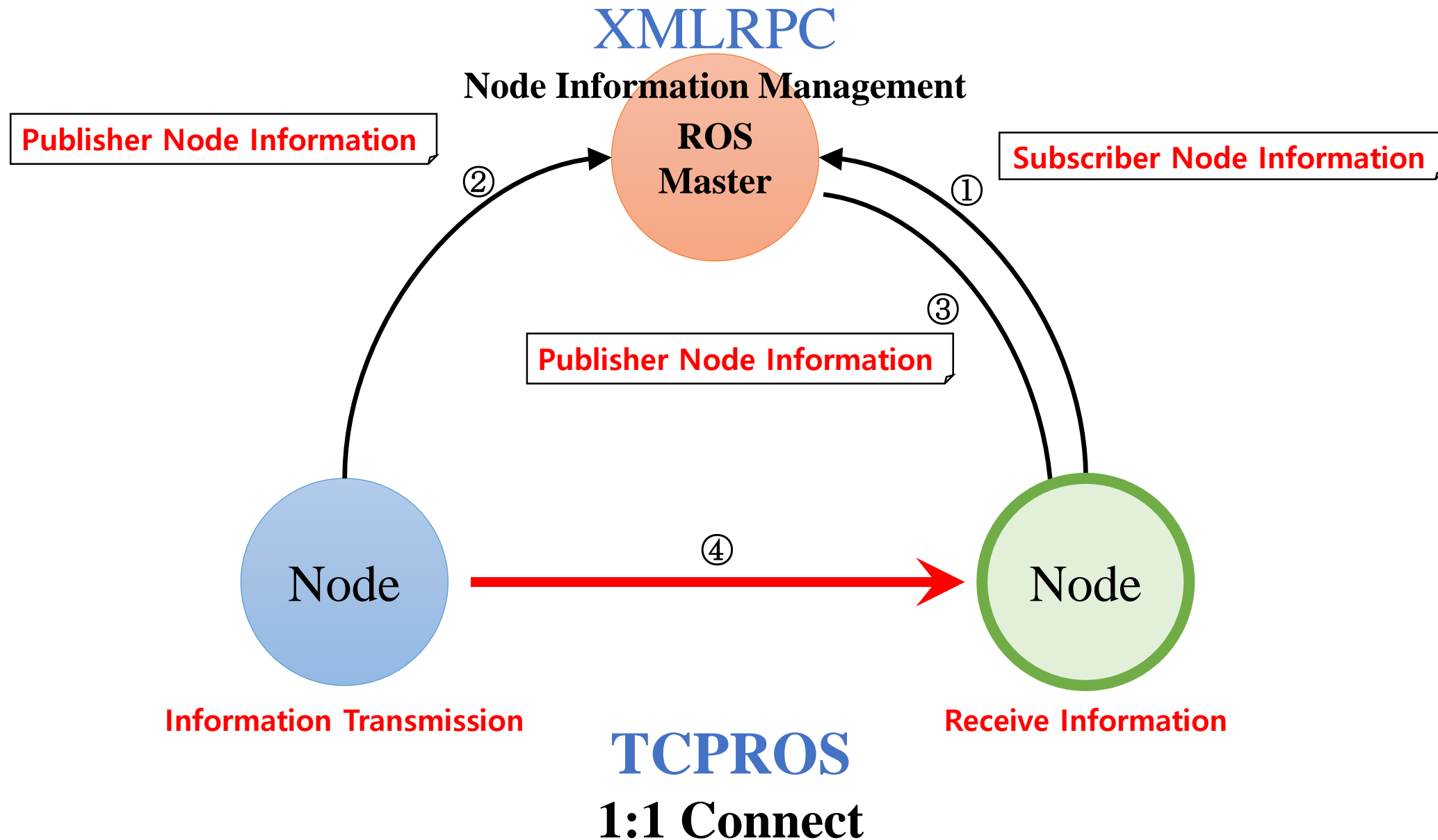
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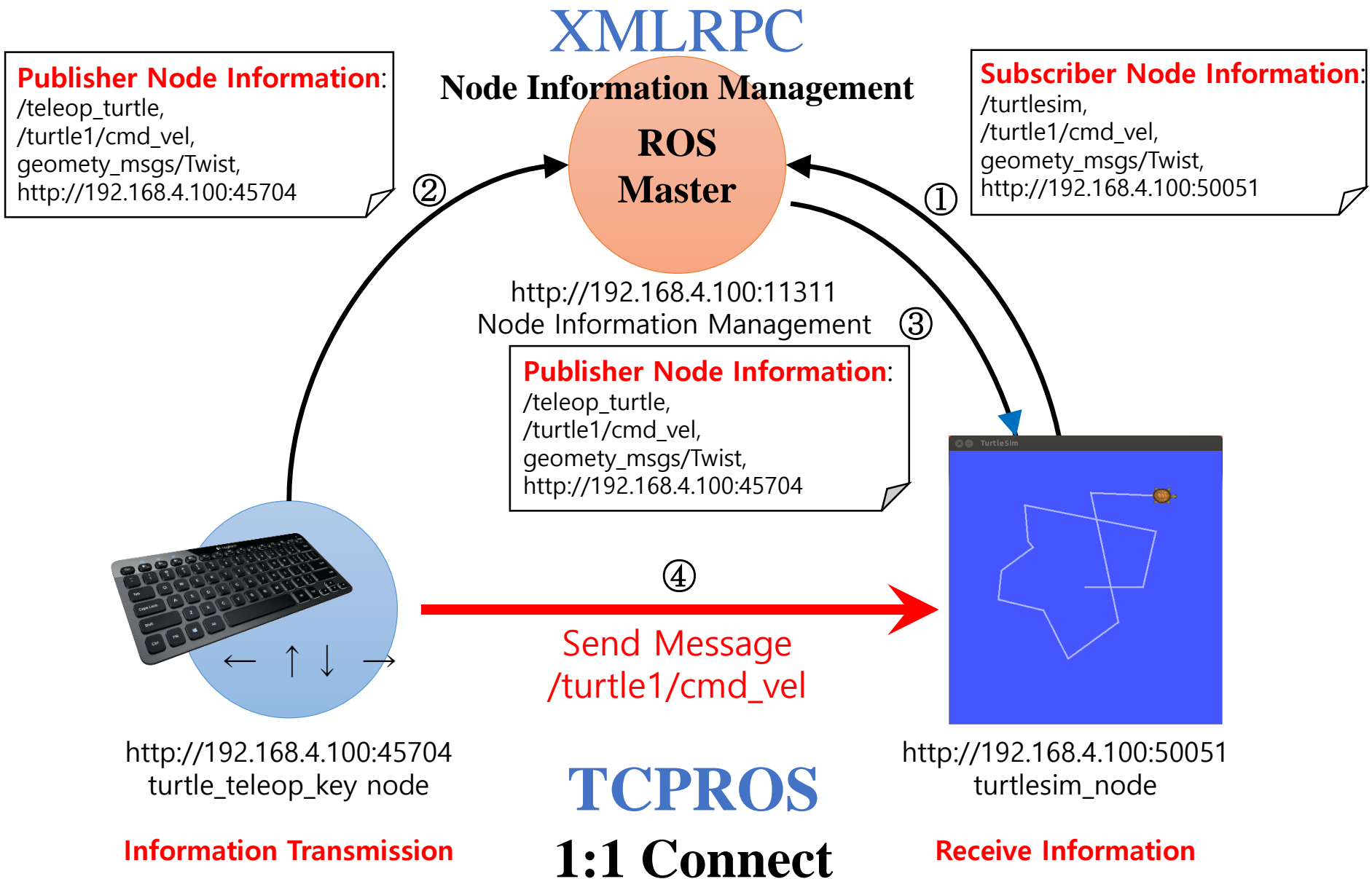
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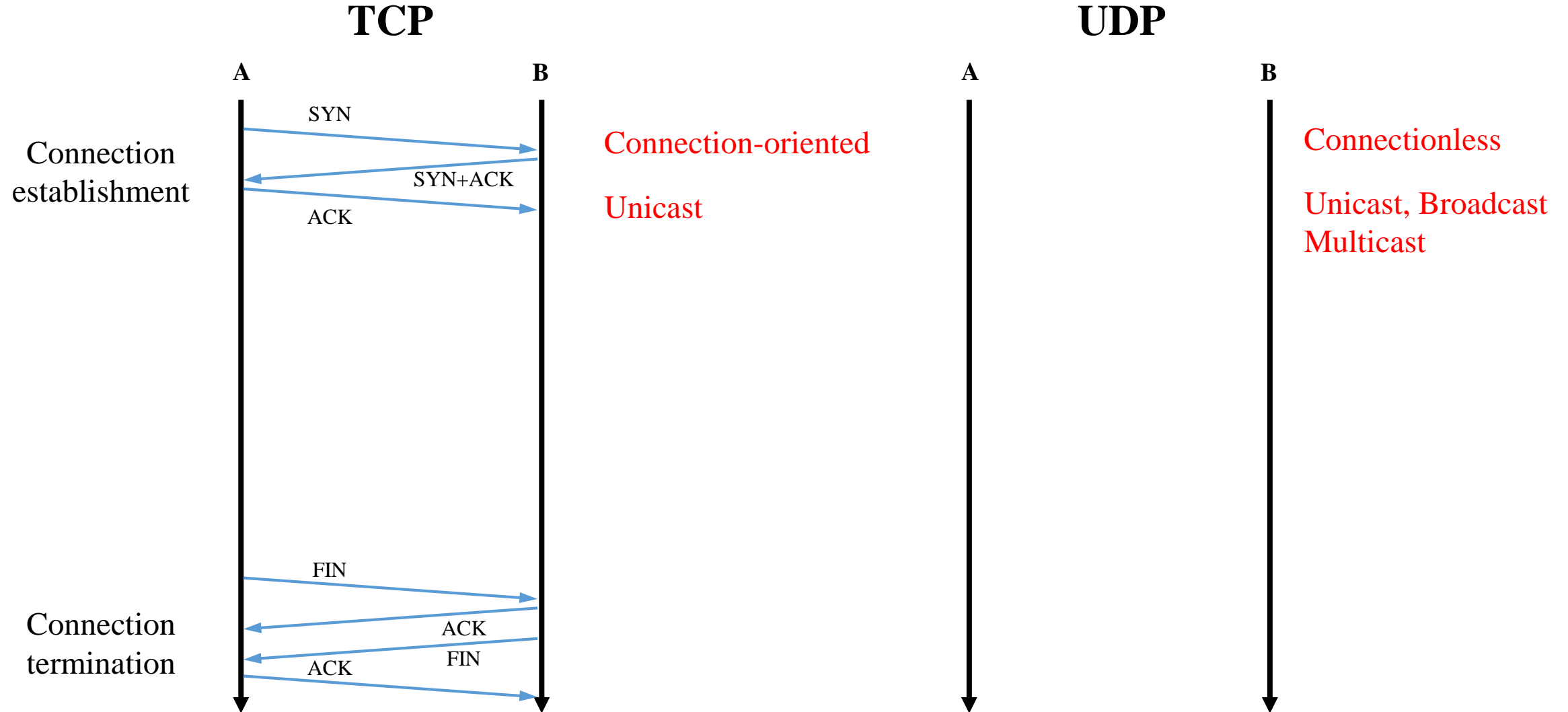
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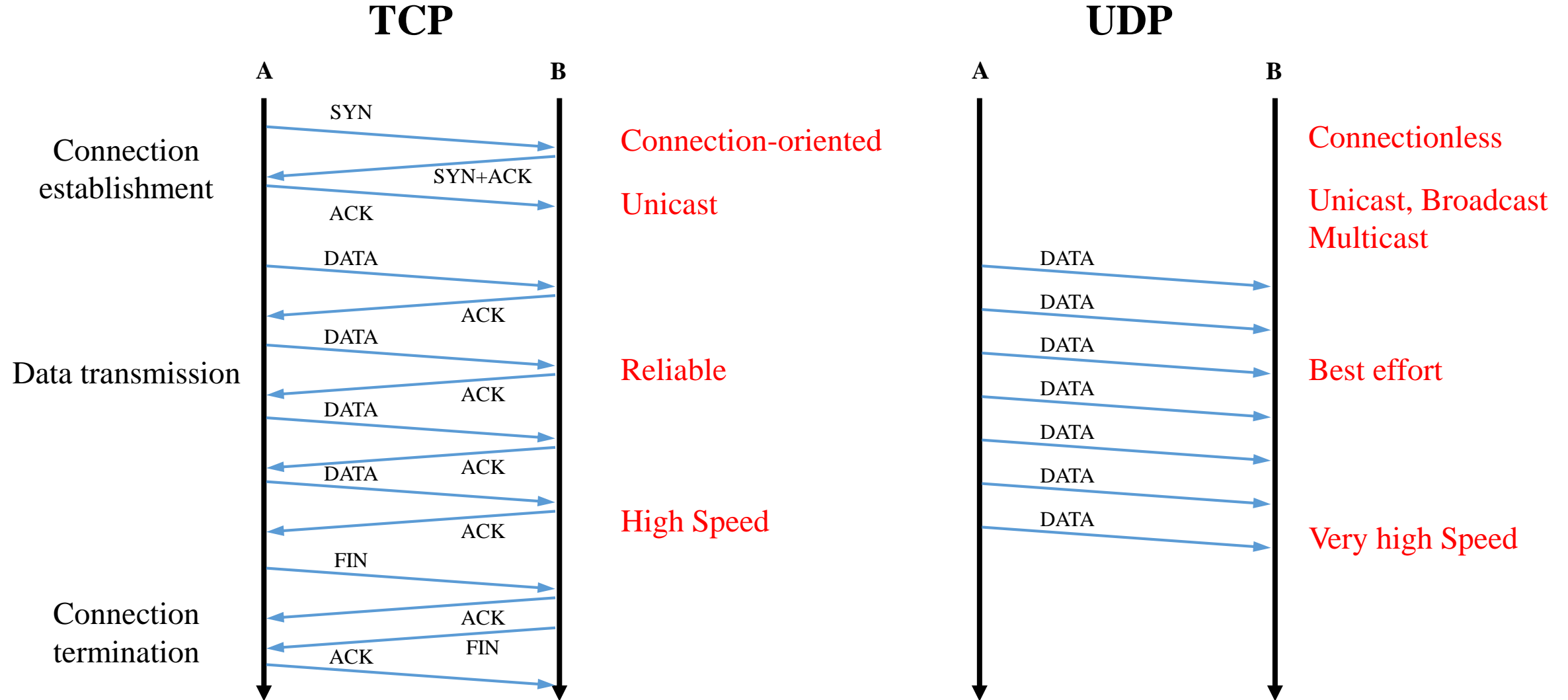
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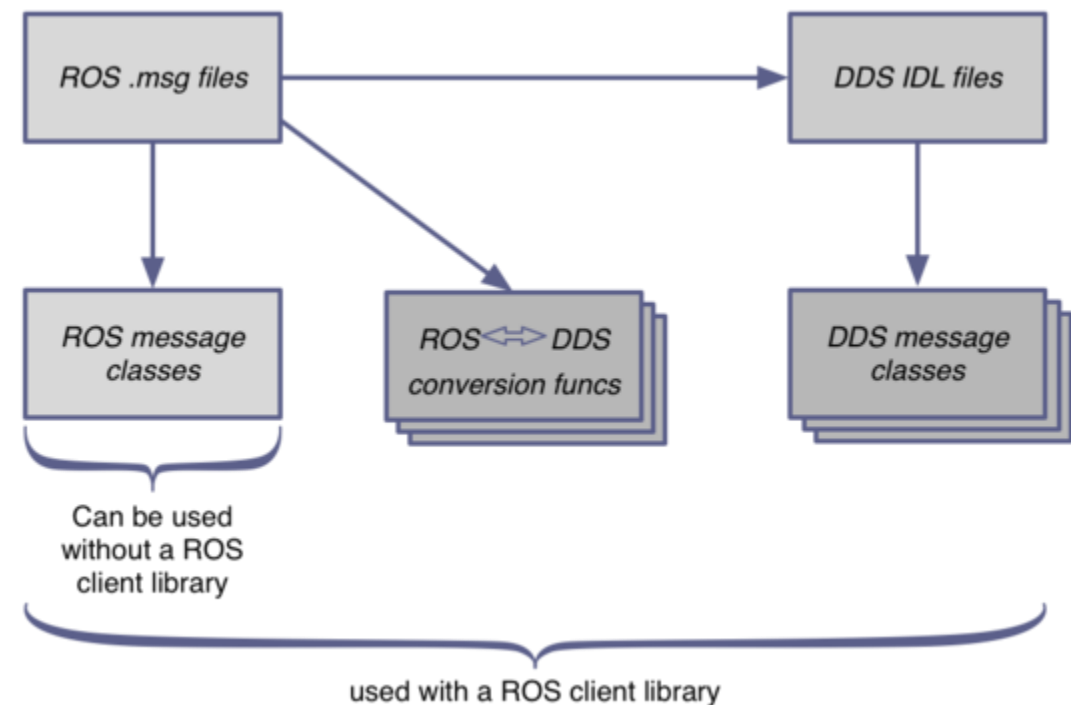
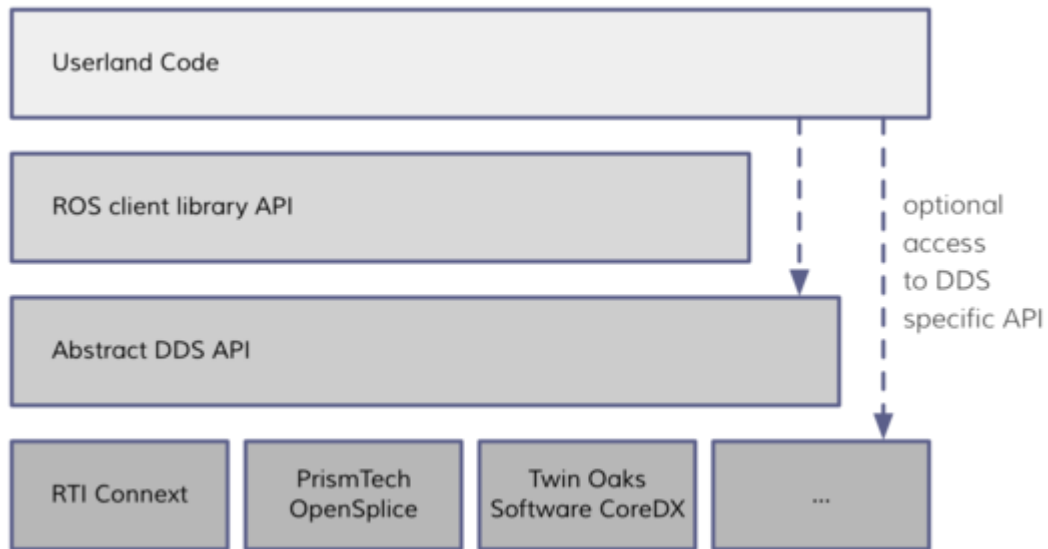


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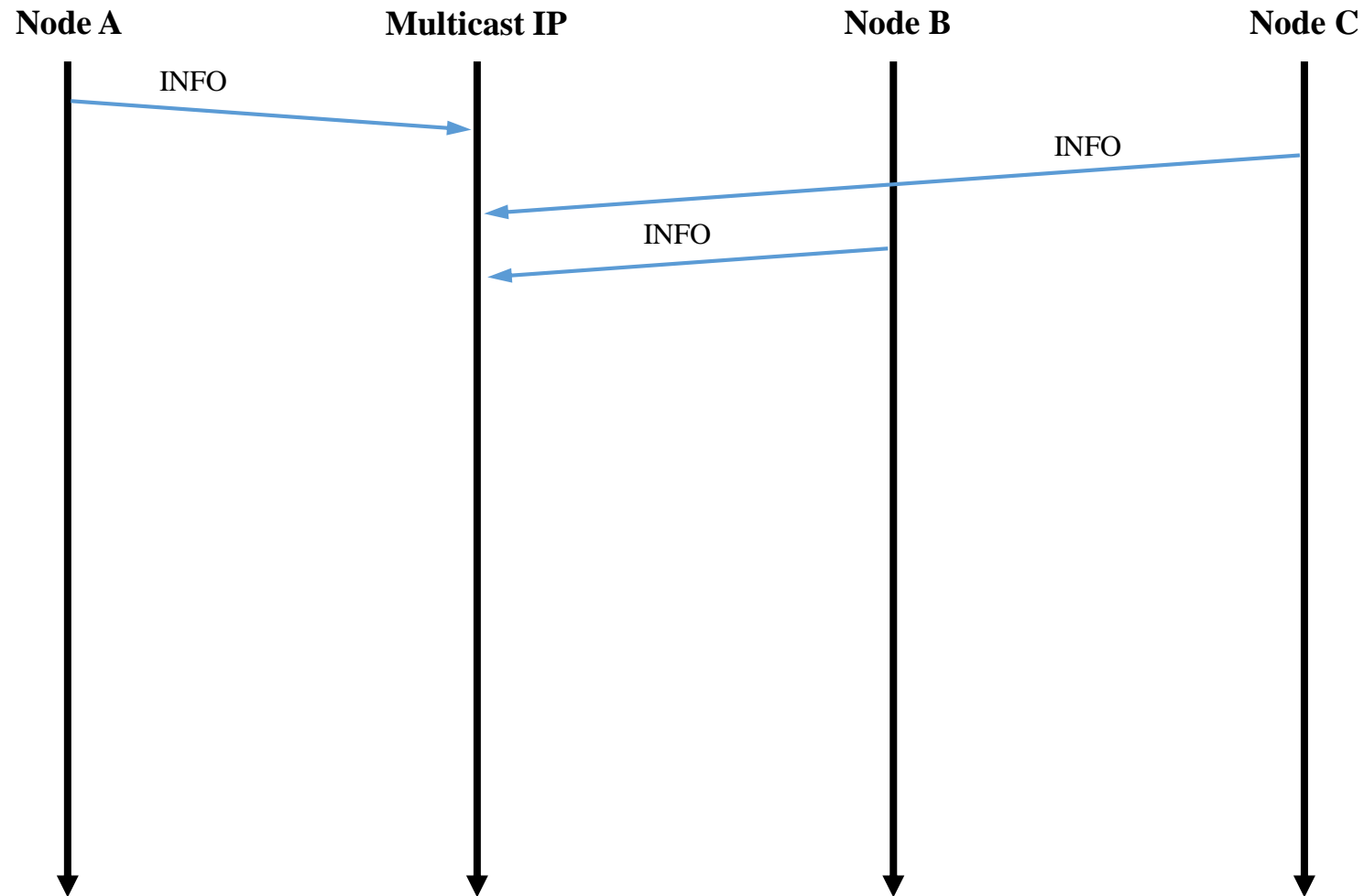
DDS (Data Distribution Service)

- DDS: Publish/subscribe middle ware for data-centric distributed systems, Managed by Object Management Group(OMG)
- Communication Protocol: RTPS (Real Time Publish Subscribe)
It is based on UDP, but has the advantage of TCP



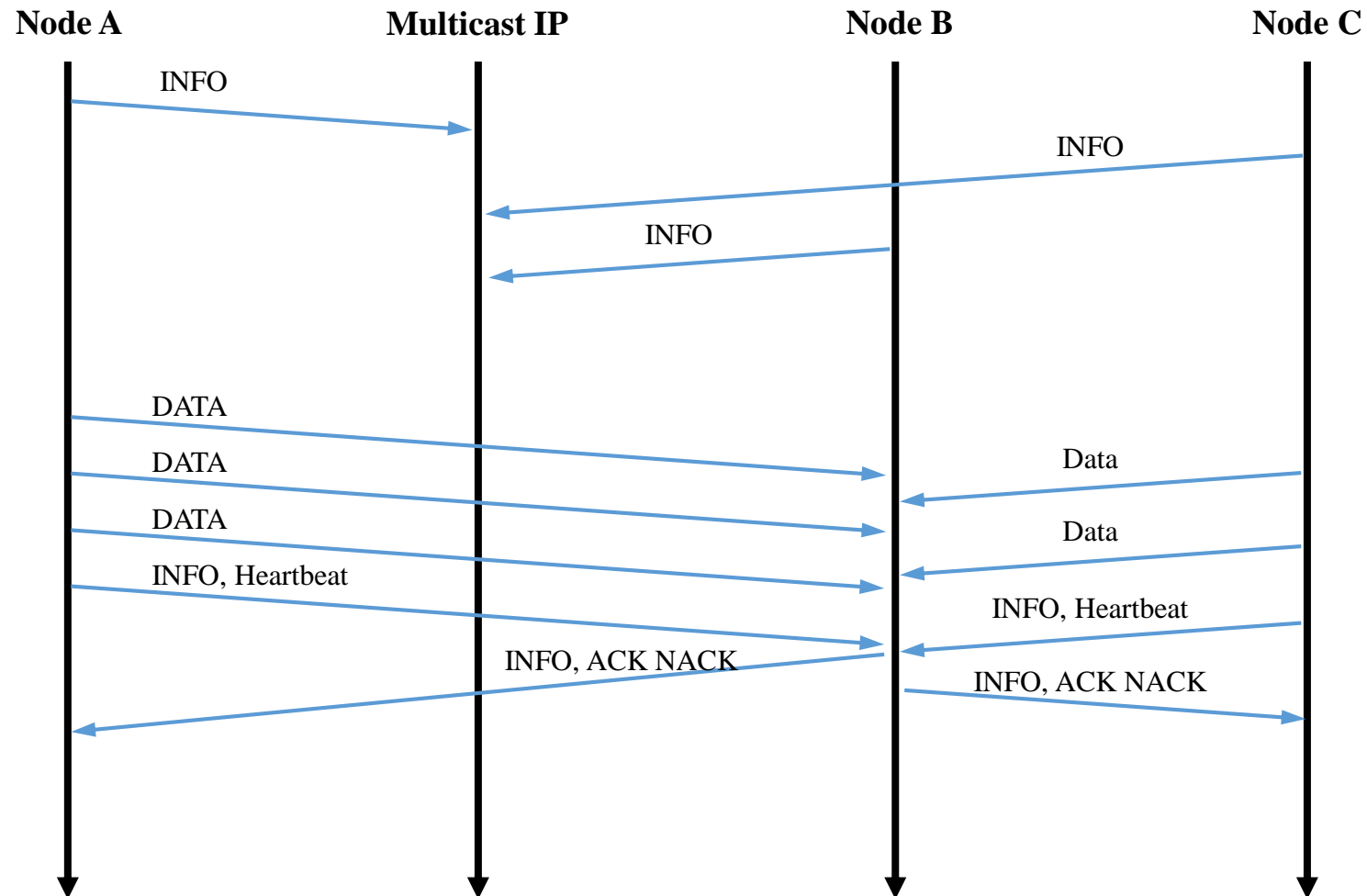
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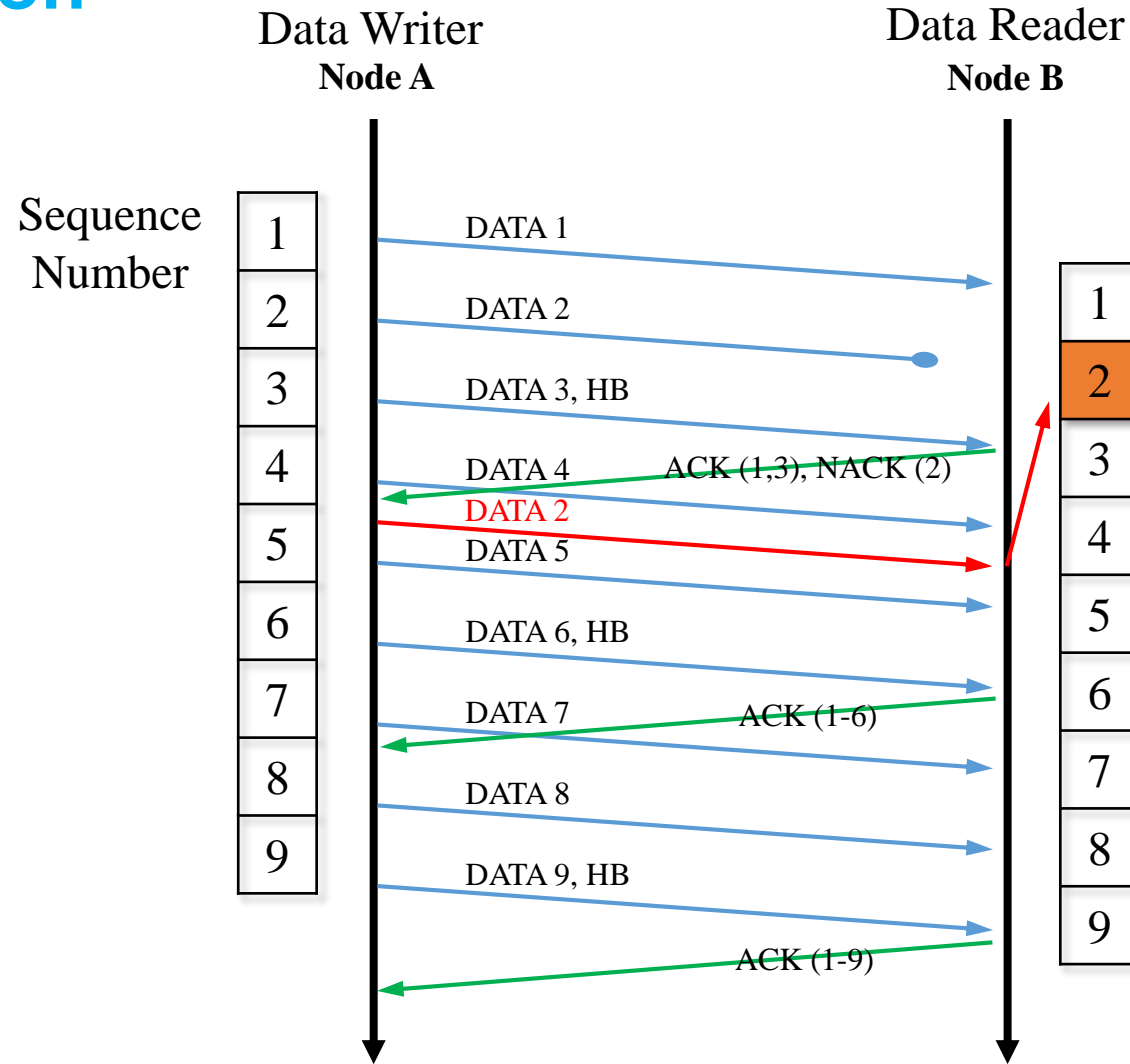
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DDS (Data Distribution Service)

- Retransmission



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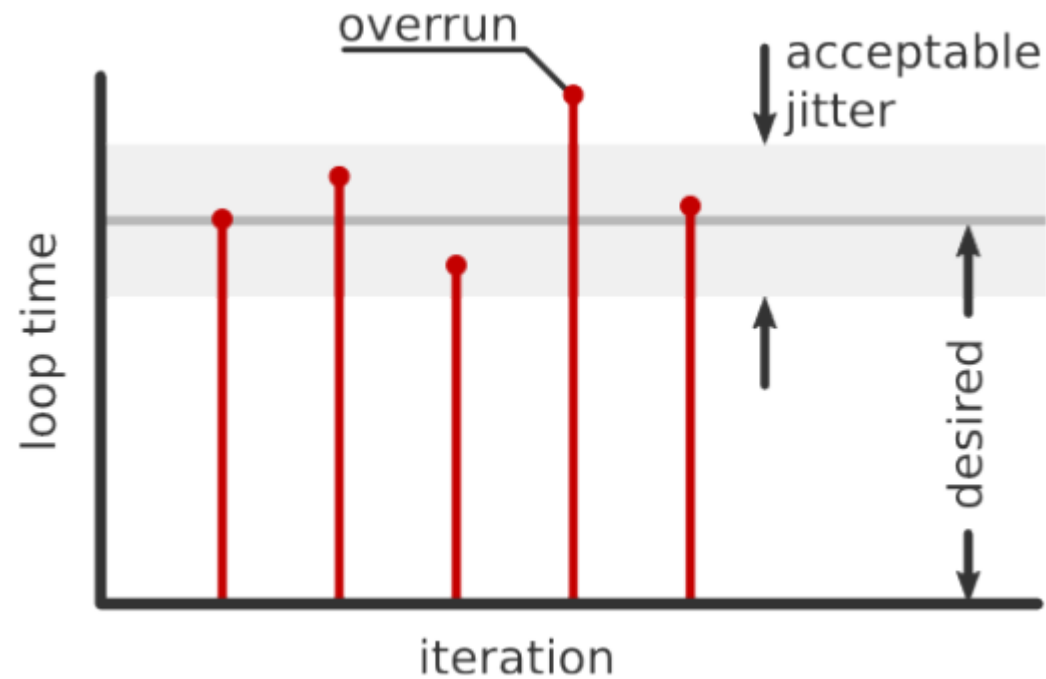
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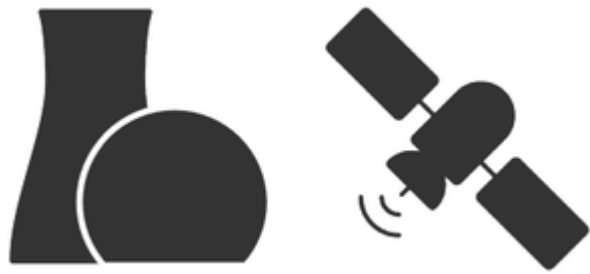
Real-time Computing

- Real-time: It's about **determinism**, not performance!



Real-time Computing

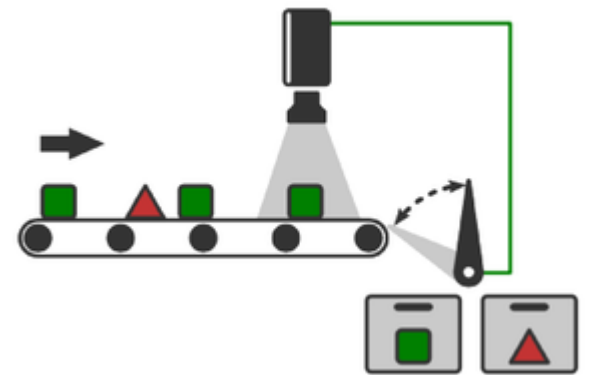
- Hard real-time systems
- Soft real-time systems
- Firm real-time systems



reactor, aircraft, spacecraft control



audio / video streaming



financial forecasting,
robot assembly lines

Real-time Computing

- Use an OS able to deliver the required determinism

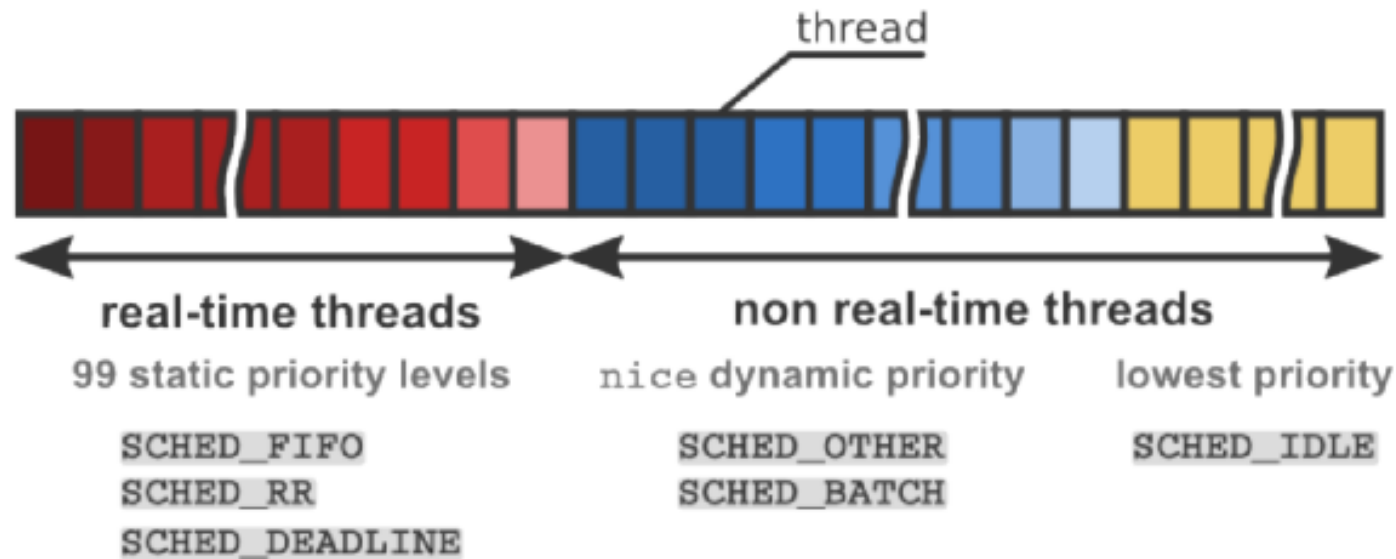
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- Prioritize real-time threads

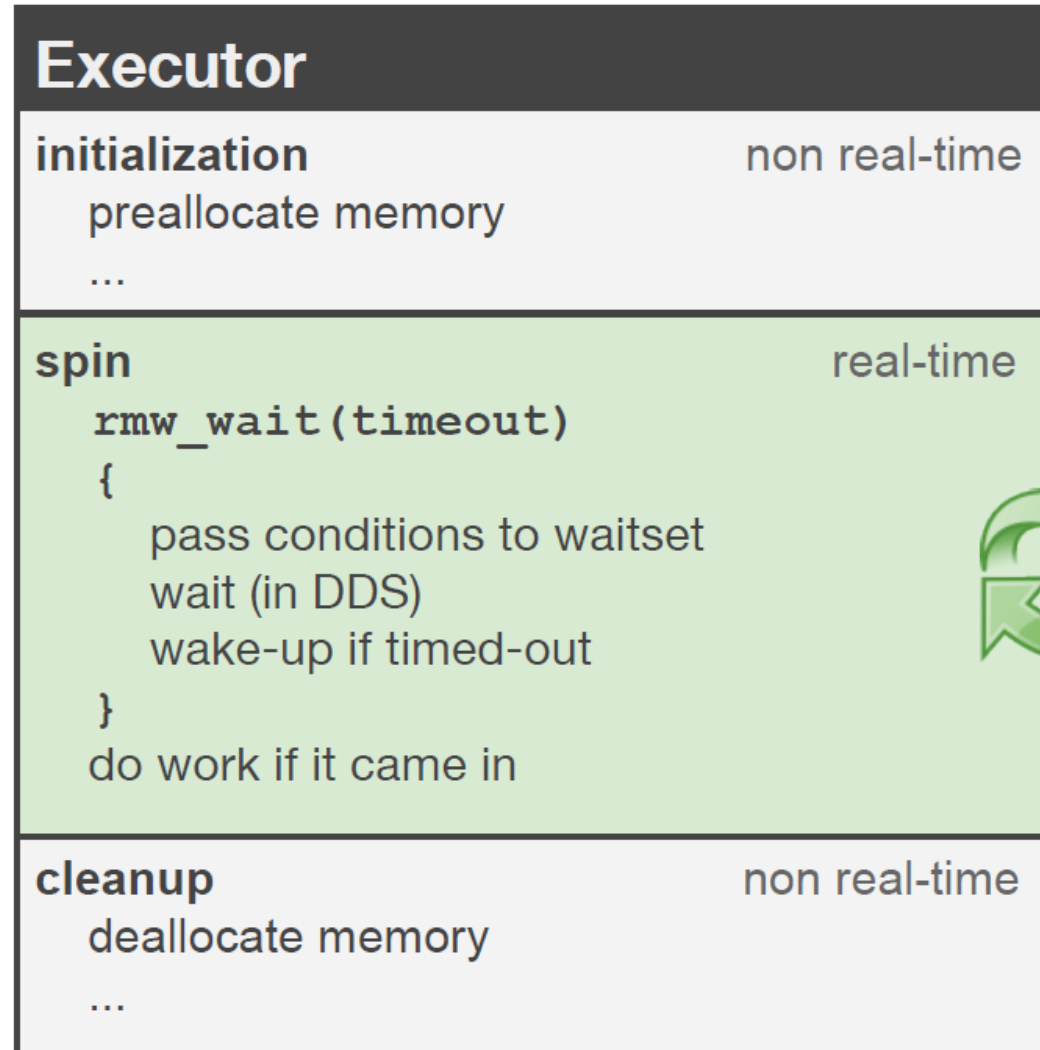


Real-time Computing

- Avoid sources of non-determinism in real-time code
 - Memory allocation and management (malloc, new)
 - Blocking synchronization primitives (mutex)
 - Printing, logging (printf, cout)
 - Network access, especially TCP/IP
 - Non real-time device drivers
 - Accessing the hard disk
 - Page faults

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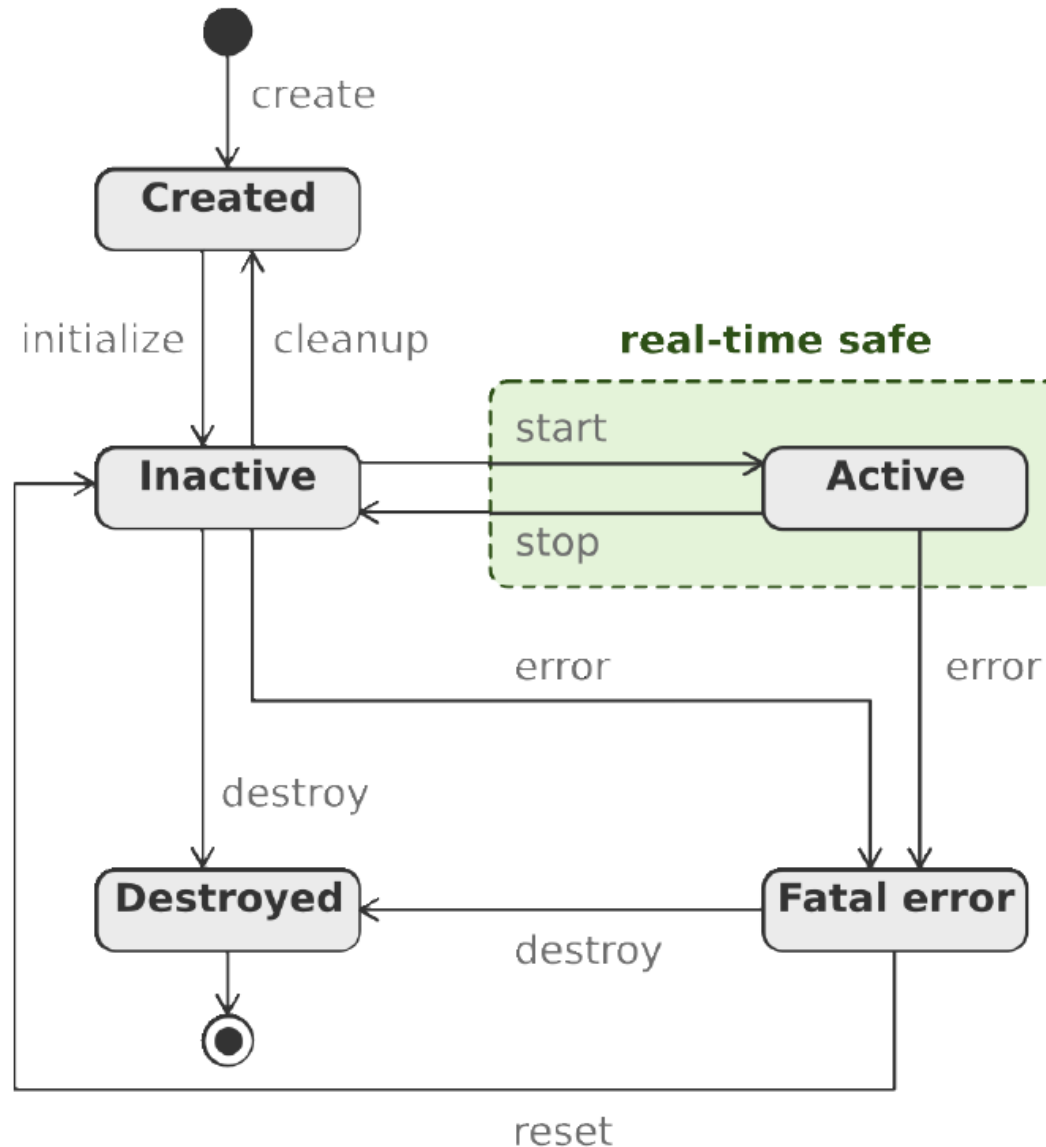
- Real-time code



loop until interrupted

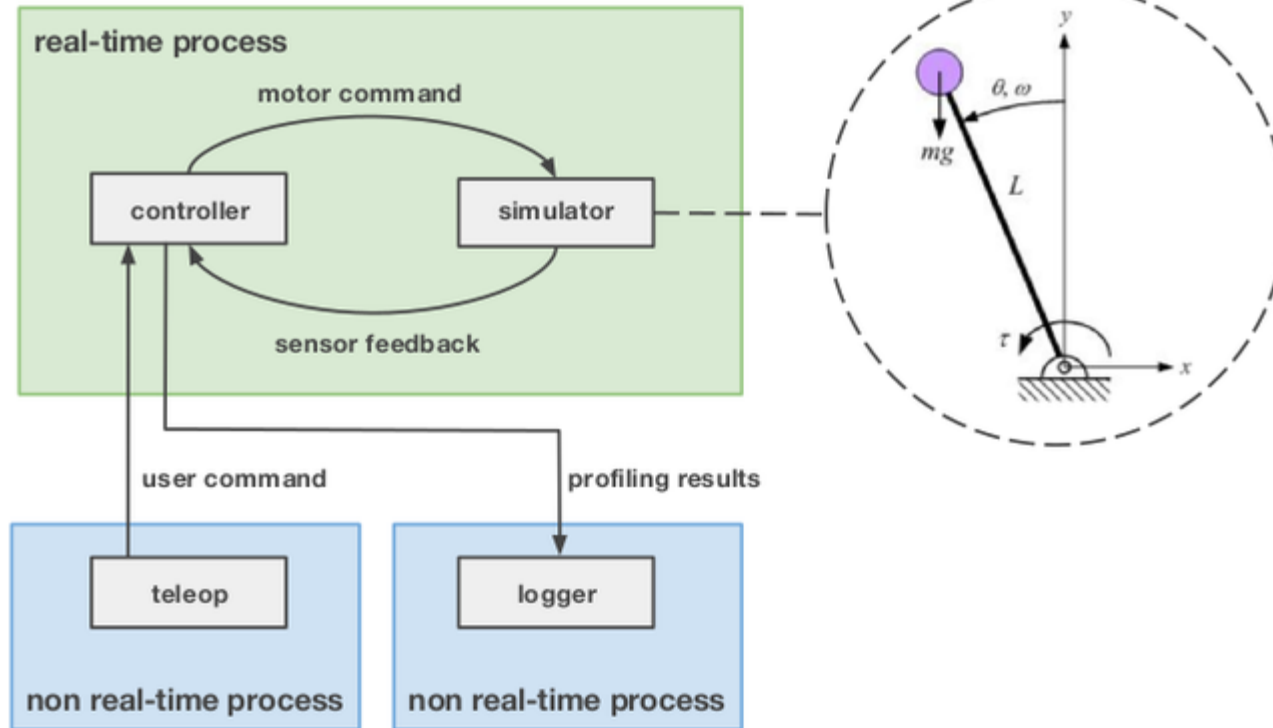
Real-time Computing

- Node lifecycle



Real-time Computing

- Real-time Benchmarking

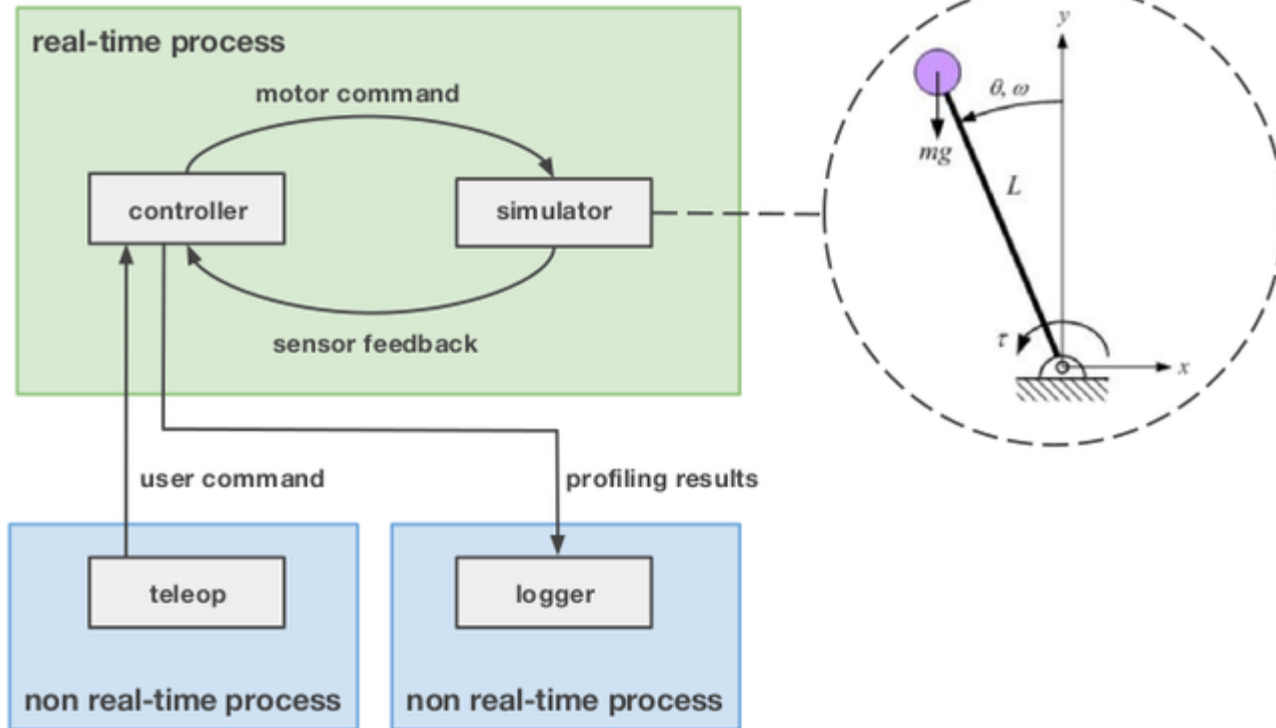


Goal

- **1 KHz** update loop (1 ms period)
- Less than **3%** jitter (30 μ s)

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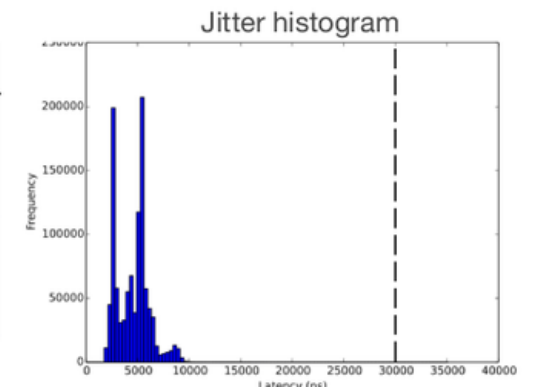
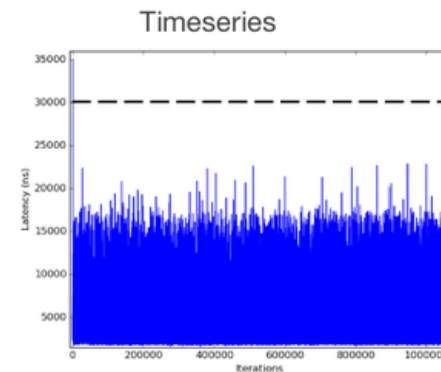
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ROS 2 Real-time Benchmarking: Results

No stress

1,070,650 cycles observed

	Latency (ns)	% of update rate
Min	1620	0.16%
Max	35094	3.51%
Mean	4567	0.46%



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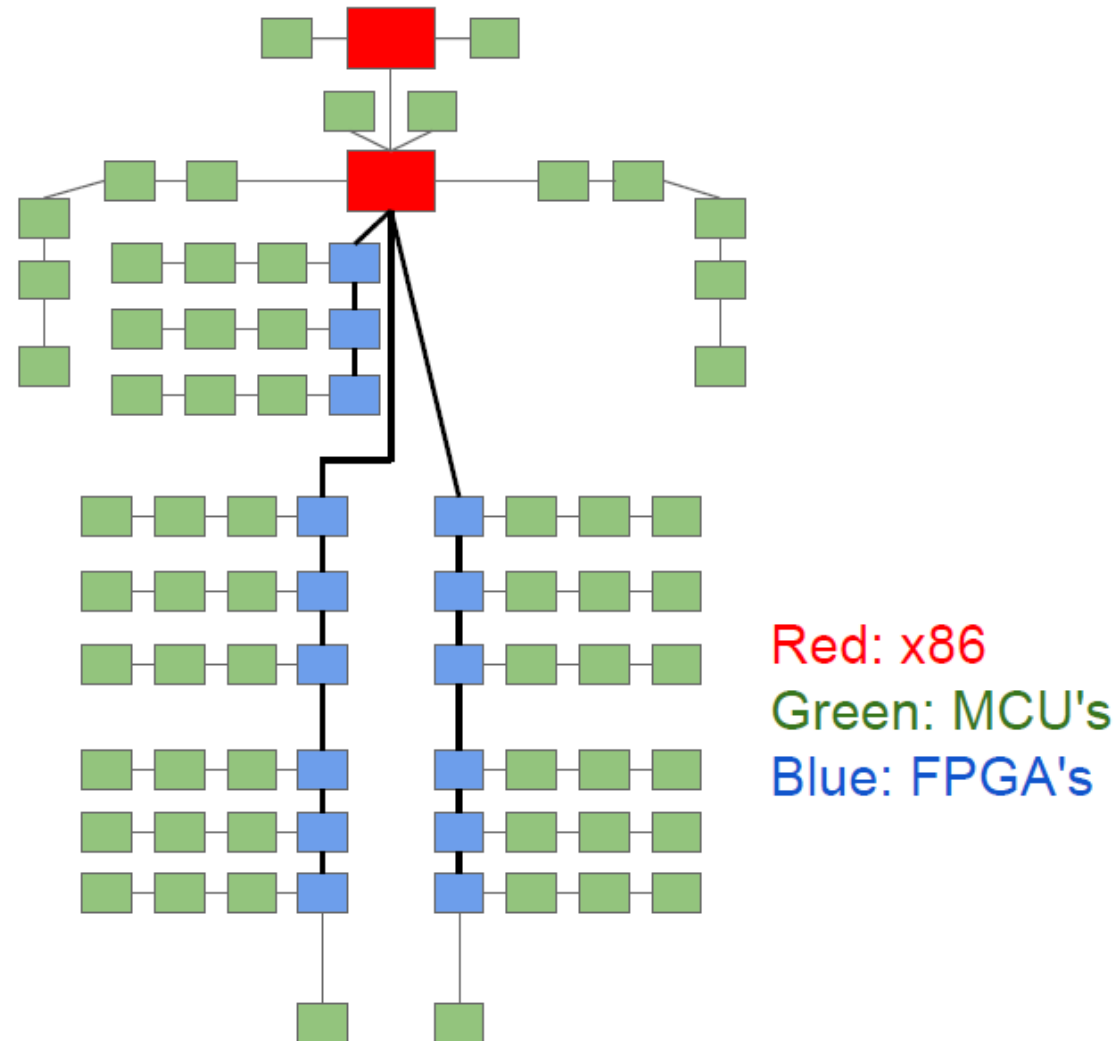
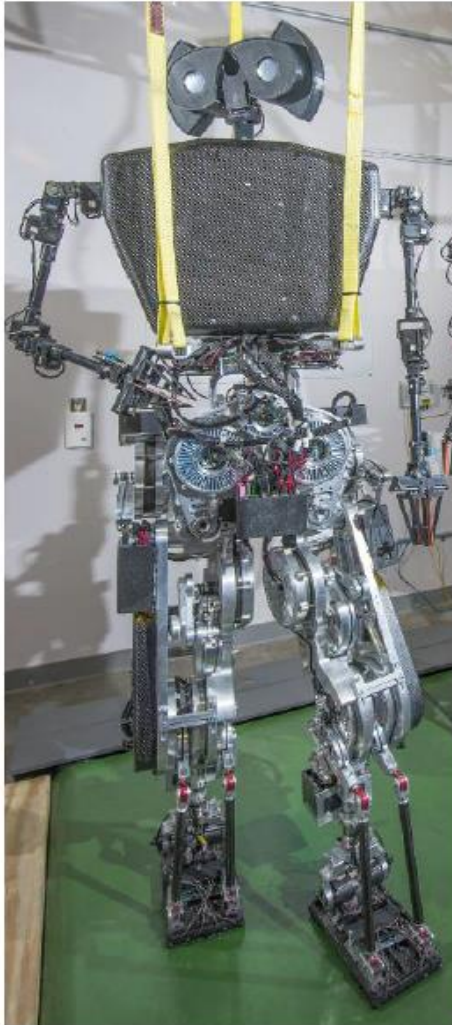
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Embedded Systems

- Small embedded systems are everywhere!



Scope



	8/16-bit MCU	32-bit MCU		ARM A-class (smartphone without screen)	x86 (laptop without screen)
		"small" 32-bit MCU	"big" 32-bit MCU		
Example Chip	Atmel AVR	ARM Cortex-M0	ARM Cortex-M7	Samsung Exynos	Intel Core i5
Example System	Arduino Leonardo	Arduino M0 Pro	SAM V71	ODROID	Intel NUC
MIPS	10's	100's	100's	1000's	10000's
RAM	1-32 KB	32 KB	384 KB	a few GB (off-chip)	2-16 GB (SODIMM)
Max power	10's of mW	100's of mW	100's of mW	1000's of mW	10000's of mW
Peripherals	UART, USB FS, ...	USB FS	Ethernet, USB HS	Gigabit Ethernet	USB SS, PCIe



Future work



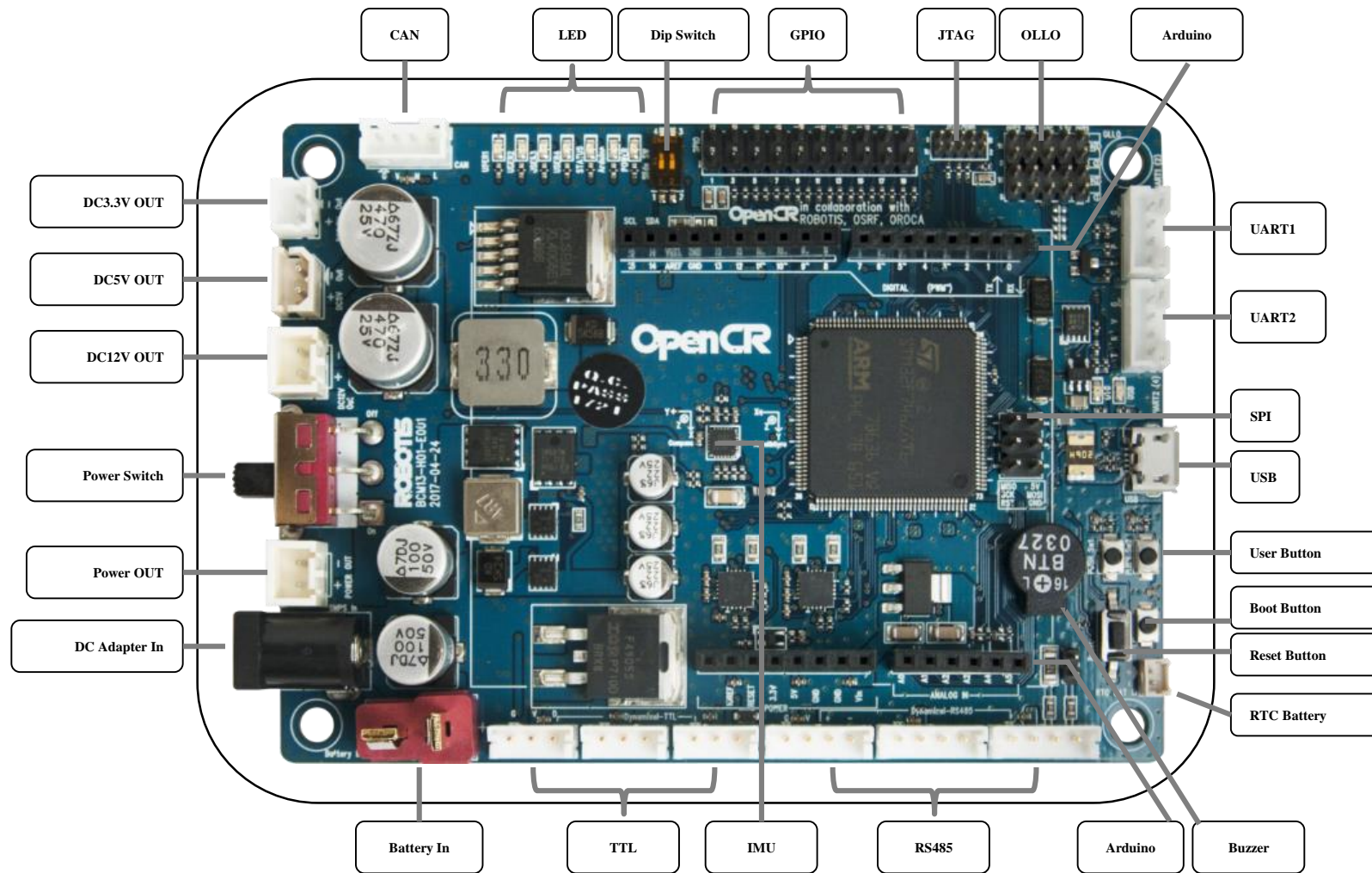
Target MCU



"Normal" ROS2

OpenCR

- Open-source Control module for ROS (OpenCR, [Link](#))
- Present 'ROS Embedded Board' at 'ROSCon 2016' ([Link](#))

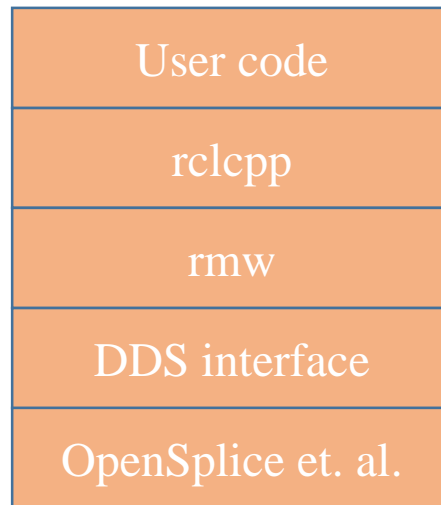


FreeRTPS

- RTPS for embedded systems
- Apache2 License
- <https://github.com/ros2/freertps>
- It can use on MCU and on Linux.

FreeRTPS User API	
Portable discovery, serialization, etc.	
Minimalist UDPv4	POSIX UDPv4
Vender Ethernet	Ethernet

**Flexible library stack,
elegant API via C++**



"Normal" ROS2

**Minimalist library stack,
ugly API, C-only**



ROS2 using FreeRTPS

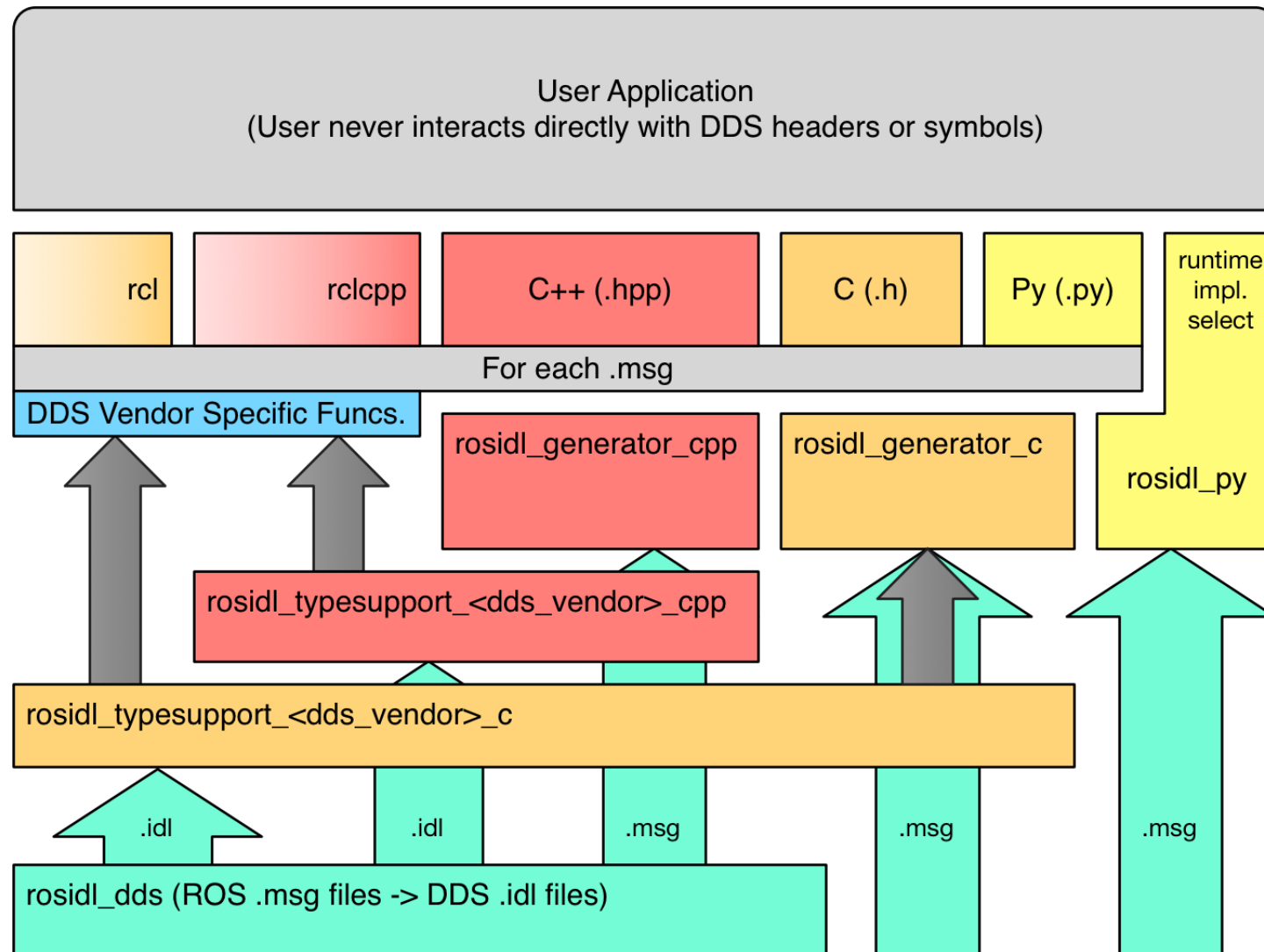


ROS 2 features for embedded systems

- ROS2 / DDS / RTPS is much more embedded friendly than the ROS1 protocols

ROS 1	ROS 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>startup sequencing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>no master</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>XML-RPC discovery</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">▫ <i>parse XML trees</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>multicast UDP discovery</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">▫ <i>parse parameter lists</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>TCP data streams</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>RTPS/UDP data streams</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>UDPROS not complete</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>extensive QoS on UDP</i>

State of ROS 2: Architecture



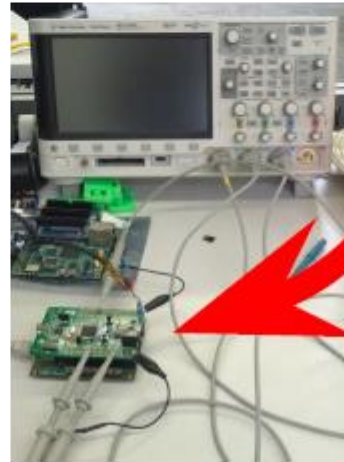
* replace <dds_vendor> with a package for each DDS vendor

Performance measurements: IMU demo

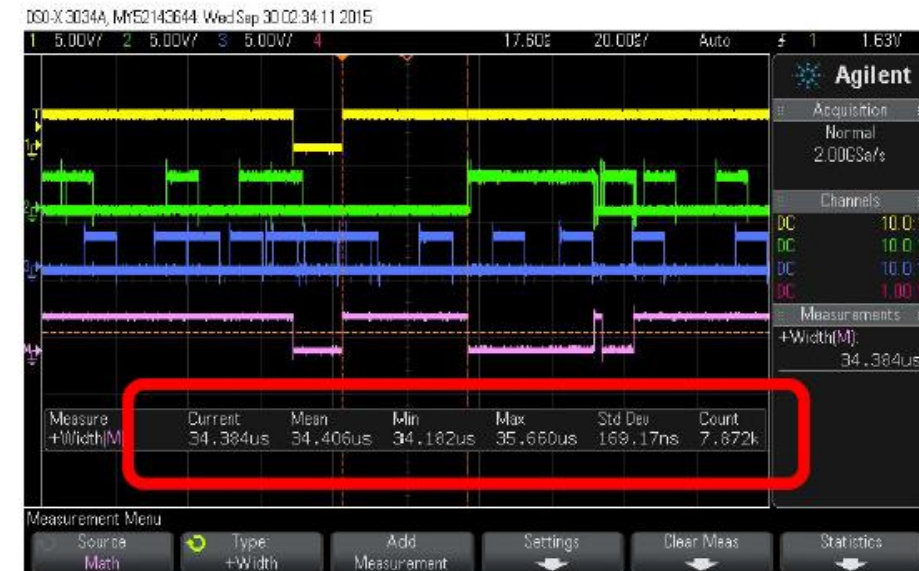
STM32F4-Discovery stack: \$55
Slightly modified to use both
Ethernet PHY and IMU
Goal: measure FreeRTOS jitter



Accelerometer CS and
Ethernet TXEN signals
to Agilent DSO-X 3034A



IMU CS
Ethernet TXEN
Ethernet RXDV
time calculation



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State of ROS 2

- Goals



Support multi-robot systems
involving unreliable networks



Remove the gap between
prototyping and final products



"Bare-metal"
micro controller



Support for
real-time control



Cross-platform
support

State of ROS 2: TODO list

- New APIs
- ROS on DDS
- Mapping between ROS interface types and DDS IDL types
- RPC API design in ROS
- Parameter API design in ROS
- ROS 2 middleware interface
- Real-time Systems
- Build system 'ament'

State of ROS 2: Changes between ROS 1 and ROS 2

	ROS 1	ROS 2
Platforms	Ubuntu, OS X	Ubuntu, OS X, Windows
Communication	XMLRPC + ROSTPC	DDS
Languages	C++03, Python 2	C++11, Python 3 (3.5+)
Build system	roscpp → catkin	ament
Messages, Services	*.msg, *.srv	new *.msg, *.srv, *.msg.idl, *.srv.idl
roslaunch	XML	written in Python
multiple nodes	one node in a process	multiple nodes in a process
real-time	external frameworks like Orocos	real-time nodes when using a proper RTOS with carefully written user code
Graph API	remapping at startup time only	remapping at runtime
Embedded systems	roscpp (UART)	FreeRTOS (UART, Ethernet, WiFi, et. al.)
		No non-isolated build
		No devel space

State of ROS 2: Schedule

- 2015-08-31: ROS 2 Alpha1 release (code name Anchor)
- 2015-11-03: ROS 2 Alpha2 release (code name Baling wire)
- 2015-12-18: ROS 2 Alpha3 release (code name Cement)
- 2016-02-17: ROS 2 Alpha4 release (code name Duct tape)
- 2016-04-06: ROS 2 Alpha5 release (code name Epoxy)
- 2016-06-02: ROS 2 Alpha6 release (code name Fastener)
- 2016-07-14: ROS 2 Alpha7 release (code name Glue Gun)
- 2016-10-04: ROS 2 Alpha8 release (code name Hook-and-Loop)

- 2016-12-19: ROS 2 Beta1 release (code name Asphalt)
- 2017-07-05: ROS 2 Beta2 release (code name R2B2)
- 2017-09-13: ROS 2 Beta3 release (code name R2B3)

- **2017-12-08: ROS 2 release (Ardent Apalone)**

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- Catch hardware
- Securing commercial viability, building a complete ecosystem

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- ECO system
- The ROS was academically influential. However, in terms of profits, it is necessary to develop the APP market with the developer's profit, like NAOqi, to lead to the development of rich advanced applications.



Hardware Module + OS + App + User

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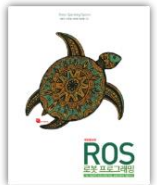


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A Handbook is written by TurtleBot3 Developers

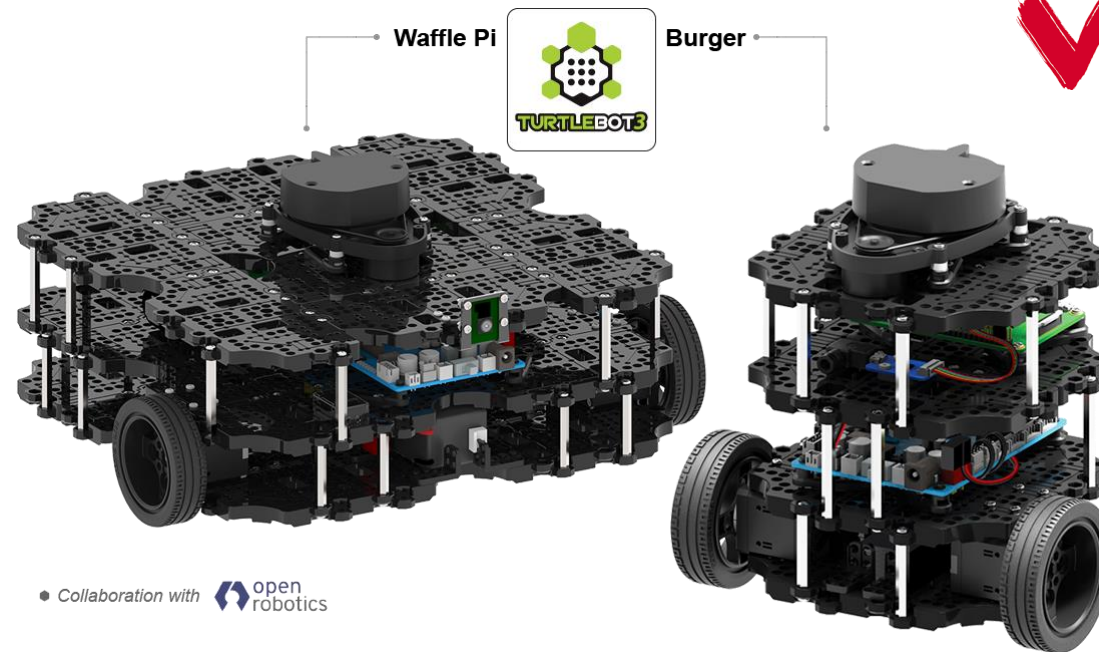
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