

Setting Up the ROS 2 Workspace and Building the Project

Two options are provided:

Page: 1 - Guides you to setup the project on your **local machine**

Page. 2 - Guides you to setup the project using a provided **devcontainer**

This guide walks you through:

- ✓ Creating a **ROS 2 workspace**
 - ✓ Cloning the **project repository**
 - ✓ Installing dependencies
 - ✓ Building the project using **colcon build --symlink-install**
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1 Prerequisites

Before starting, ensure you have:

- ✓ **ROS 2 Jazzy installed** ([Installation Guide](#))
- ✓ **Colcon build tools** installed:

```
sudo apt install python3-colcon-common-extensions
```

- ✓ **Gazebo Sim (gz-sim)** installed:

```
sudo apt install ros-jazzy-gz-sim
```

2 Create a New ROS 2 Workspace

A ROS 2 workspace is needed to organize the project's packages.

```
# Create workspace directory  
mkdir -p ~/colcon_ws/src
```

```
# Navigate into the workspace  
cd ~/colcon_ws
```

✓ Why?

- This workspace (`colcon_ws`) will contain all the packages.
 - The `src/` folder is where ROS 2 packages will be stored.
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3 Clone the Project Repository

To download the project, run:

```
cd ~/colcon_ws/src
```

```
# Clone the repository (Replace with actual repo URL)
git clone https://github.com/your-org/your-repo.git
```

4 Install Dependencies

Navigate back to the workspace root:

```
cd ~/colcon_ws
```

Install the required dependencies:

```
rosdep update
rosdep install --from-paths src --ignore-src -r -y
```

5 Build the Project

Run:

```
colcon build --symlink-install
```

6 Source the Workspace

Before running any ROS 2 commands, source the workspace:

```
source ~/colcon_ws/install/setup.bash
```

Run the Full System

Launch the robot in Gazebo

```
ros2 launch case_gz robot_control.launch.py
```

Start MoveIt

```
ros2 launch case_moveit_config demo.launch.py
```

Run the operational logic

```
ros2 run case_task robot_logic
```

Launch Everything Together

```
ros2 launch case_bringup bringup.launch.py
```

Troubleshooting

Issue	Solution
<code>command not found: colcon</code>	Run <code>sudo apt install python3-colcon-common-extensions</code>
<code>package not found error</code>	Run <code>rosdep install --from-paths src --ignore-src -r -y</code>
<code>ros2: command not found</code>	Ensure ROS 2 is sourced: <code>source /opt/ros/jazzy/setup.bash</code>
Gazebo not launching	Check installation: <code>sudo apt install ros-jazzy-gz-sim</code>

Summary

- ✓ Created a ROS 2 workspace (`colcon_ws`)
- ✓ Cloned the repository
- ✓ Installed dependencies with `rosdep`
- ✓ Built the project with `colcon build --symlink-install`
- ✓ Sourced the workspace and ran the system