

F1/10

# Autonomous Racing

ROS services  
roslaunch

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# AUTONOMOUS TURTLE

Assignment 1

F1/10 Autonomous Racing – CS 4501 – Spring 2020  
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In this assignment, you will create an ~~self driving self swimming~~ autonomous turtle using the ROS turtlesim simulator.

The goal of the assignment is to understand:

- ROS nodes
- ROS topics
- ROS messages
- ROS parameters and services
- ROS launch files

And get familiar with:

- ROS workspace
- The catkin build system
- Creating your own ROS nodes.

# To get started:

- Git pull to obtain the the `autoturtle` ROS package from  
<https://github.com/linklab-uva/f1tenth-course-labs>
- Link (or copy) the autoturtle package to the catkin workspace
  - `ln -s ~/github/f1tenth-course-labs/autoturtle/ ~/catkin_ws/src/`
  - Run `catkin_make` in the `catkin_ws` folder. Source your environment.
- The node `turtlesim_move.py` has been provided for reference.
- Make sure you are able to run the provided node successfully before attempting the remaining assignment:

`rosrun autoturtle turtlesim_move.py`

[should move the turtle towards the x direction until it hits the wall]



Problem 1: Turtle Swim School

# Problem 1a: swim\_school.py

[20 points]

1. Using the `turtlesim_move.py` as reference, create a new ROS node called `swim_school.py`
2. Modify the code to demo the following:

**[1a demo:]** Upon running the command `rosrun autoturtle swim_school.py`

- User can input a linear (x) velocity
- User can input an angular (z) velocity
- The turtle then swims in a figure 8 shape, using the velocity and angular rate specified by the user.

TurtleSim

roscore http://ubuntu:11311/ 48x16



## PARAMETERS

- \* /rosdistro: kinetic
- \* /rosversion: 1.12.14

## NODES

auto-starting new master

**process[master]: started with pid [26475]**

ROS\_MASTER\_URI=http://ubuntu:11311/

setting /run\_id to 2d6eb044-46a6-11ea-b566-001c4

291ec5b

**process[rosout-1]: started with pid [26488]**

started core service [/rosout]

madhur@ubuntu:~\$

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madhur@ubuntu: ~ 48x16

madhur@ubuntu:~\$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim\_node

[ INFO] [TurtleSim]

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[ INFO]

[turtle]

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# Problem 1b

[20 points]

## random\_swim\_school.py

1. Create a new ROS node `random_swim_school.py`

### [1b demo:]

Upon running the command `rosrun autoturtle random_swim_school.py`

- A random figure 8 is drawn in the ocean:
  - Turtle moves with a random linear velocity and a random angular velocity which is chosen every time the node is run.
  - The figure 8 is drawn at a random position during each run. Its fine if the figure 8 hits the turtlesim boundary.
- The center position (x,y) of the random figure 8 is displayed on the terminal.

r@ubuntu ~

roscore http://ubuntu:11311/ 48x16

## PARAMETERS

```
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```

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**process[rosout-1]: started with pid [26488]**

started core service [/rosout]

madhur@ubuntu:~\$

```
madhur@ubuntu: ~ 48x16
wall! (Clamping from [x=7.723691, y=-0.004802])
[ WARN] [1580749758.736454247]: Oh no! I hit the
wall! (Clamping from [x=7.645236, y=-0.002702])
[ WARN] [1580749758.752545958]: Oh no! I hit the
wall! (Clamping from [x=7.566737, y=-0.000599])
[ INFO] [1580749767.712704908]: Resetting turtle
sim.
```

```
[ INFO] [turtl] 0.0000 [ INFO] sim. [ INFO] [turtl] 0.0000
```

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[30 points]

## Problem 1c: back\_to\_square\_one.py

1. Using the `turtlesim_move.py` as reference, create a new ROS node called `back_to_square_one.py`
2. Modify the code to demo the following:

**1b demo:** Upon running the command

```
rosrun autoturtle back_to_square_one.py
```

- User inputs the length of the side of the square (number between 1 and 5, any number including floating points is allowed.)
- **The ocean turns red**
- A square is drawn with the length of the side of the square equal to the user input.
  - Note the square must be drawn as the turtle swims...do not use teleport absolute to draw the square.
- The bottom left corner of the square is always at  $(x,y) = (1,1)$ , theta could be anything you want.



## TurtleSim

roscore http://ubuntu:11311/ 48x16

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```

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**setting /run id to 2d6eb044-46a6-11ea-b566-001c4**

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**process[rosout-1]: started with pid [26488]**

started core service [/rosout]

madhur@ubuntu:~\$

madhur@ubuntu: ~ 48x16

```
madhur@ubuntu: ~ 48x16  
madhur@ubuntu:~$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim node
```

```
[ INFO] [TurtleSim]: im wit [ INFO] [turtle] theta=[0.0000 QXcbWi MPIZ_T OOLKIT
```





Problem 2: Swim to goal

[30 points]

## Problem 2: `swim_to_goal.py`

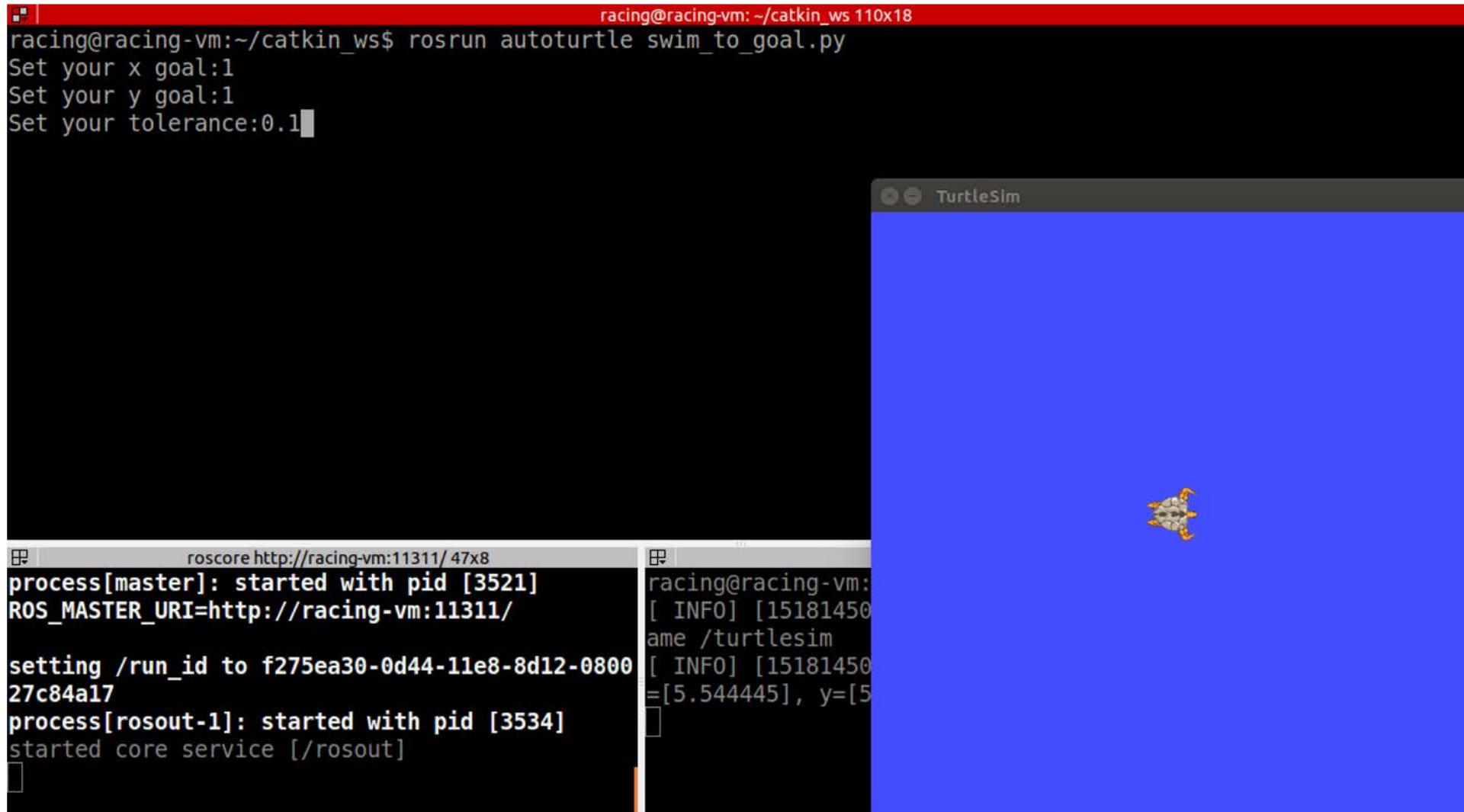
1. Create a new ROS node called `swim_to_goal.py`

**Demo the following:**

- User inputs the x coordinate for the goal: (e.g. 1)
- User inputs the y coordinate for the goal: (e.g. 1)
- User inputs a ‘tolerance’ value (defined in subsequent slides): (e.g. 0.1)
- The turtle swims (not teleports) to the goal with a velocity and angular rate, proportional to the distance between the current position and the goal.
- Display and explain the `rqt_graph` for this system

# Problem 2: What should node execution look like ?

User enters x, y, goal, and a tolerance value.



The image shows a terminal window with three tabs. The top tab displays the command `rosrun autoturtle swim_to_goal.py` and its execution, where the user sets the x, y goal, and tolerance values. The bottom-left tab shows the output of `roscore`, including the master process start and core service startup. The bottom-right tab shows the ROS log output from the `turtlesim` node, indicating the turtle's position and state.

```
racing@racing-vm:~/catkin_ws$ rosrun autoturtle swim_to_goal.py
Set your x goal:1
Set your y goal:1
Set your tolerance:0.1

racing@racing-vm:~/catkin_ws$ roscore http://racing-vm:11311/47x8
process[master]: started with pid [3521]
ROS_MASTER_URI=http://racing-vm:11311/
setting /run_id to f275ea30-0d44-11e8-8d12-080027c84a17
process[rosout-1]: started with pid [3534]
started core service [/rosout]

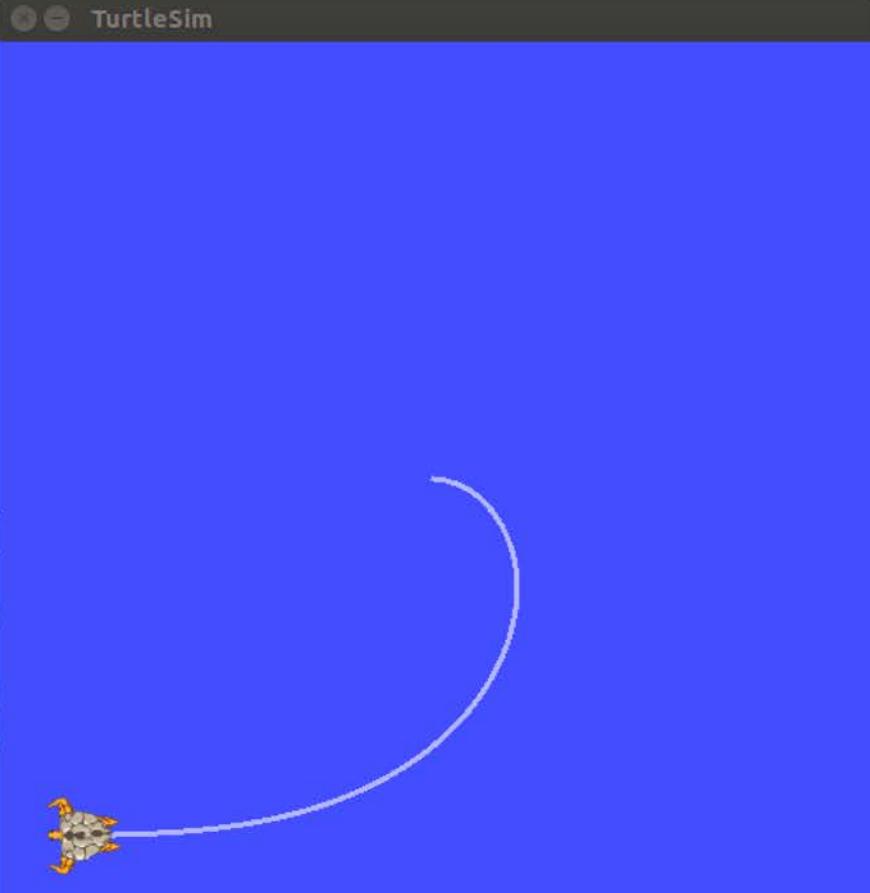
racing@racing-vm:~[15181450]ame /turtlesim[15181450]=[5.544445], y=[5
```

# Problem 2: What should the output look like ?

```
racing@racing-vm:~/catkin_ws 110x18
racing@racing-vm:~/catkin_ws$ rosrun autoturtle swim_to_goal.py
Set your x goal:1
Set your y goal:1
Set your tolerance:0.1

roscore http://racing-vm:11311/ 47x8
process[master]: started with pid [3521]
ROS_MASTER_URI=http://racing-vm:11311/
setting /run_id to f275ea30-0d44-11e8-8d12-0800
27c84a17
process[rosout-1]: started with pid [3534]
started core service [/rosout]

racing@racing-vm: ~/catkin_ws 110x18
[ INFO] [15181450
ame /turtlesim
[ INFO] [15181450
= [5.544445], y = [5


```

## Problem 2: swim\_to\_goal.py - Hints

What does proportional velocity and angular command mean ?

**Proportional speed and turning:**

Velocity  $x = 1.5 * (\text{Euclidean distance between position at any time and the goal})$

Angular  $z = 4 * (\text{atan2}(\text{Euclidean distance between position at any time and the goal}))$

The 1.5 and 4 are constants but the velocity and angular rate will change as the turtle moves towards the goal, since the distance between the position of the turtle and the goal is always decreasing. **You can use 1.5 and 4 as the constants in your code.**

**Tolerance** is a constant which dictates how close does the turtle needs to be to the (x,y) goal before it is considered that it has reached the goal.

The tolerance is needed since the pose messages that turtlesim echoes is usually a floating point value.

A good value for the tolerance is between 0.1 and 1.

A useful command in python to use for dealing with pose data is:

**round(number[, ndigits])**

Useful declarations for this problem are:

```
import rospy
from geometry_msgs.msg import Twist
from turtlesim.msg import Pose
from math import pow, atan2,sqrt
```

You will demo your code in the lab, but in addition to that you need to submit all your code by the assignment deadline.

## What do I have to submit ?

- All the ROS nodes you create should be inside the `/autoturtle/scripts` directory. (The same as the `turtlesim_move.py` script).
- Compress the entire `/autoturtle` folder.
- **Rename the compressed file to `<your_computing_ID>.zip` and submit on Collab.**
  - **Only submit a single zip file.**
- Ensure, the code you are submitting does not throw any errors during a `catkin_make`.

- We will un-compress your submitted folder inside the src folder of our catkin workspace and run catkin\_make.
- We will then test your code with the following commands:
  - rosrun autoturtle swim\_school.py
  - rosrun autoturtle random\_swim\_school.py
  - rosrun autoturtle back\_to\_square\_one.py
  - rosrun autoturtle swim\_to\_goal.py

# Extra Credit >> Up to 40 points

There are 4 problems:

For each problem, you can earn 10 points for Extra Credit, if you can create and use a launch file to demonstrate that problem (i.e. you create the appropriate node, but use a launch file for each problem to launch the relevant nodes for that problem).

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# ROS Client Libraries

Client Library	Language	Comments
<code>roscpp</code>	C++	<b>Most widely used, high performance</b>
<code>rospy</code>	Python	<b>Good for rapid-prototyping and non-critical-path code</b>
<code>roslisp</code>	LISP	<b>Used for planning libraries</b>
<code>rosjava</code>	Java	<b>Android support</b>
<code>roslua</code>	Lua	<b>Light-weight scripting</b>
<code>roscs</code>	Mono/.Net	<b>Any Mono/.Net language</b>
<code>roseus</code>	EusLisp	
<code>PhaROS</code>	Pharo Smalltalk	
<code>rosR</code>	R	<b>Statistical programming</b>

**Experimental**

# Client API Commonly Used Features

Object / Feature	Description	roscpp	rospy
API root	Objects and methods for interacting with ROS	ros::NodeHandle	rospy
Parameter server client	Query and set parameter server dictionary entries	.getParam .param .searchParam .setParam	.get_param .search_param .set_param
Subscriber	Receive messages from a topic	.subscribe	.Subscriber
Publisher	Send messages to a topic	.advertise	.Publisher
Service	Serve and call remote procedures	.advertiseService .serviceClient	.Service .ServiceProxy
Timer	Periodic interrupt	.createTimer	.Timer
Logging	Output strings to rosconsole	ROS_DEBUG, ROS_INFO, ROS_WARN, etc.	.logdebug, .loginfo, .logwarn, .logerr, .logfatal
Initialization & Event Loop	Set node name, contact Master, enter main event loop	ros::init .spin	.init_node .spin
Messages	Create and extract data from ROS messages	Specifics depends on message	
		std_msgs::String	std_msgs.msg.String

# Build and run

- To build your code do:

```
$ cd ~/catkin_ws  
$ catkin_make
```

- To run it execute these three lines in three different terminals:

```
$ roscore  
-----  
$ rosrun beginner_tutorials talker.py  
-----  
$ rosrun beginner_tutorials listener.py
```

- To see the publis/subscriber connection do:

```
$ rosrun rqt_graph rqt_graph
```

# ROS Computational Graph / Communication: ROS Services

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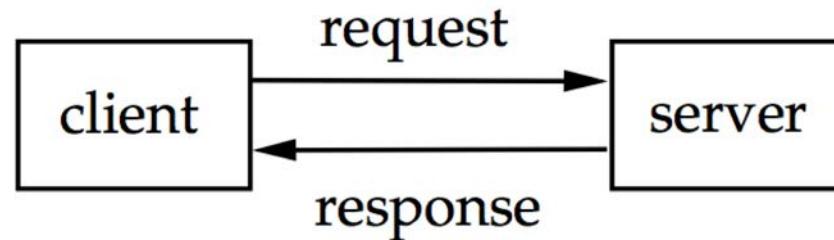
- Publish / subscribe, many-to-many, unidirectional topic model works well for most use cases
- Request / reply model is better for some use cases
  - Equivalent to a remote procedure call (RPC)
  - Request: client node sends a providing node a command and/or data
  - Reply: providing node sends data back to the client node
  - Example – set a camera's calibration matrix, receive confirmation of success
- Services: ROS implementation of the request / reply model
  - Services are named
    - Providing node advertises the service by name
    - Client node calls the service by name
    - Master performs name registration
  - Type defined in .srv files
    - Similar to .msg files, but include both the request and response type
  - Should reply quickly / do not block (service call can not be preempted)
  - Limitations: not logged, difficult to inspect
  - Tend to be used infrequently

# ROS Services: enable request/response communication between nodes.

- Service descriptions are stored in `.srv` files in the `srv/` subdirectory of a package.
- When you publish topics, you are sending data in a many-to-many fashion, but when you need a request or an answer from a node, you can't do it with topics.

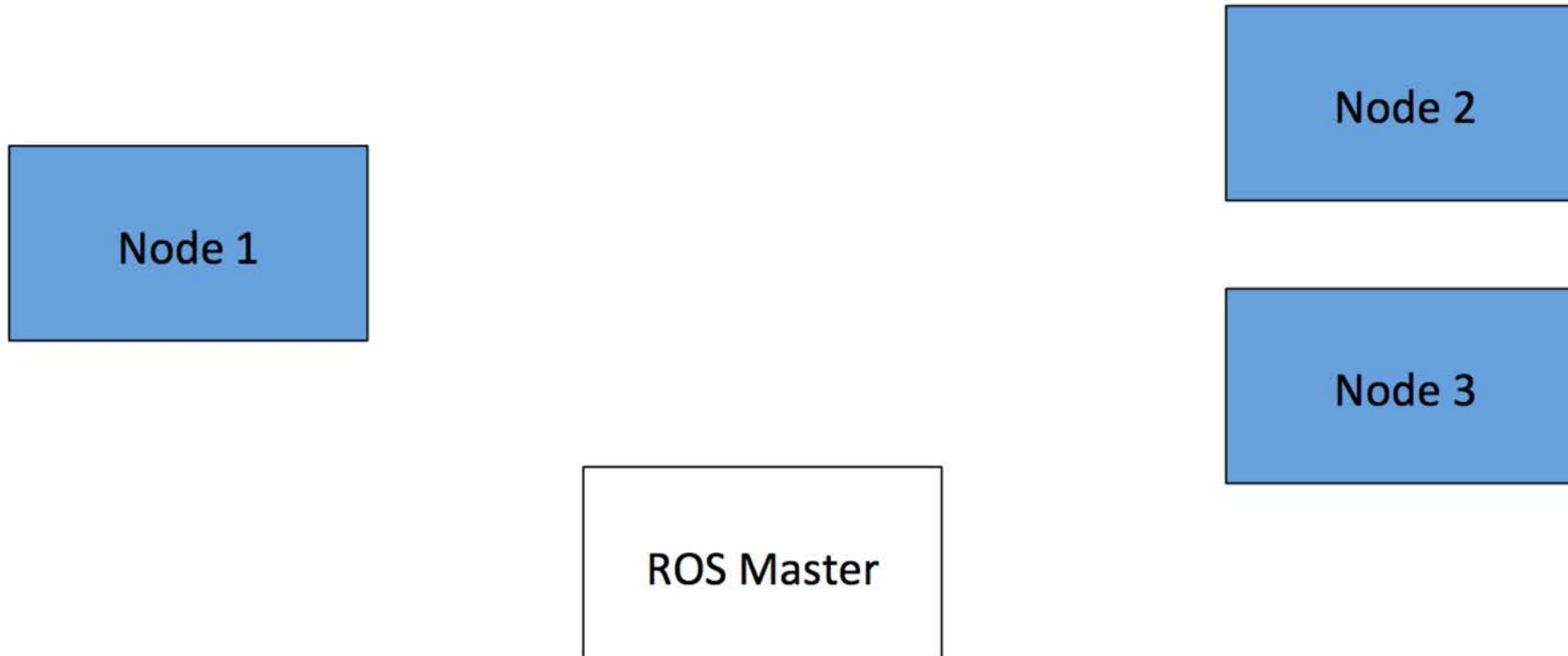
Service calls are **bi-directional**.

One node sends information to another node and waits for a response.



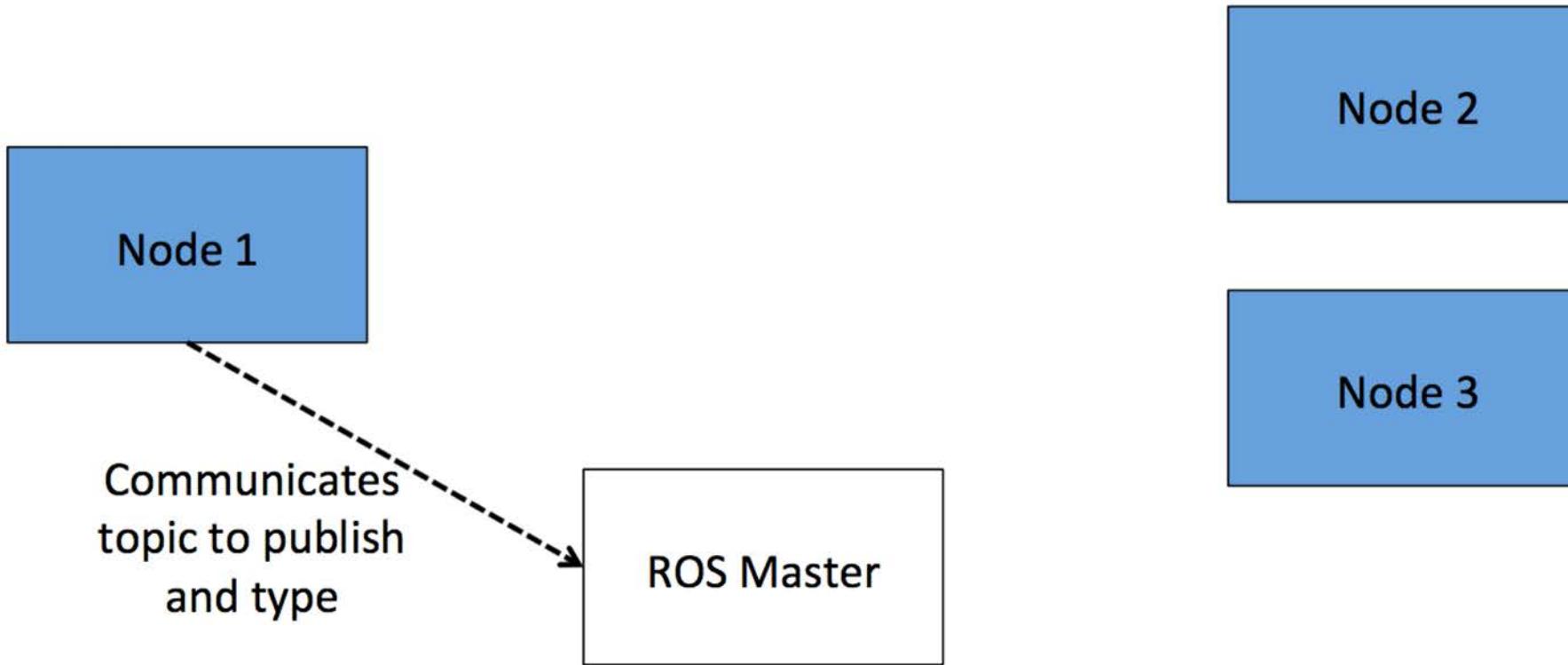
In contrast, when a message is published, there is no concept of a response, and not even any guarantee that anyone is subscribing to those messages.

# Communications: Publish/Subscribe



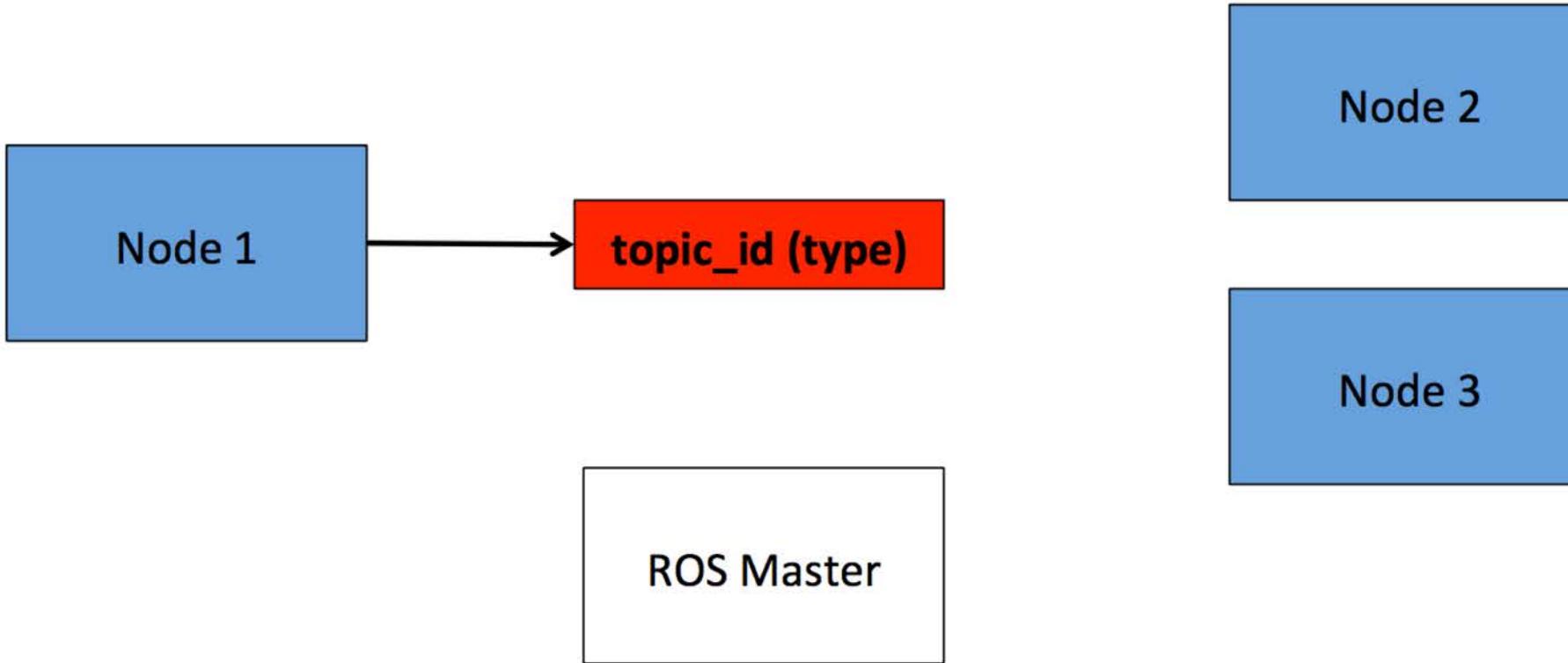
Asynchronous, many-to-many and one-way transport.

# Communications: Publish/Subscribe



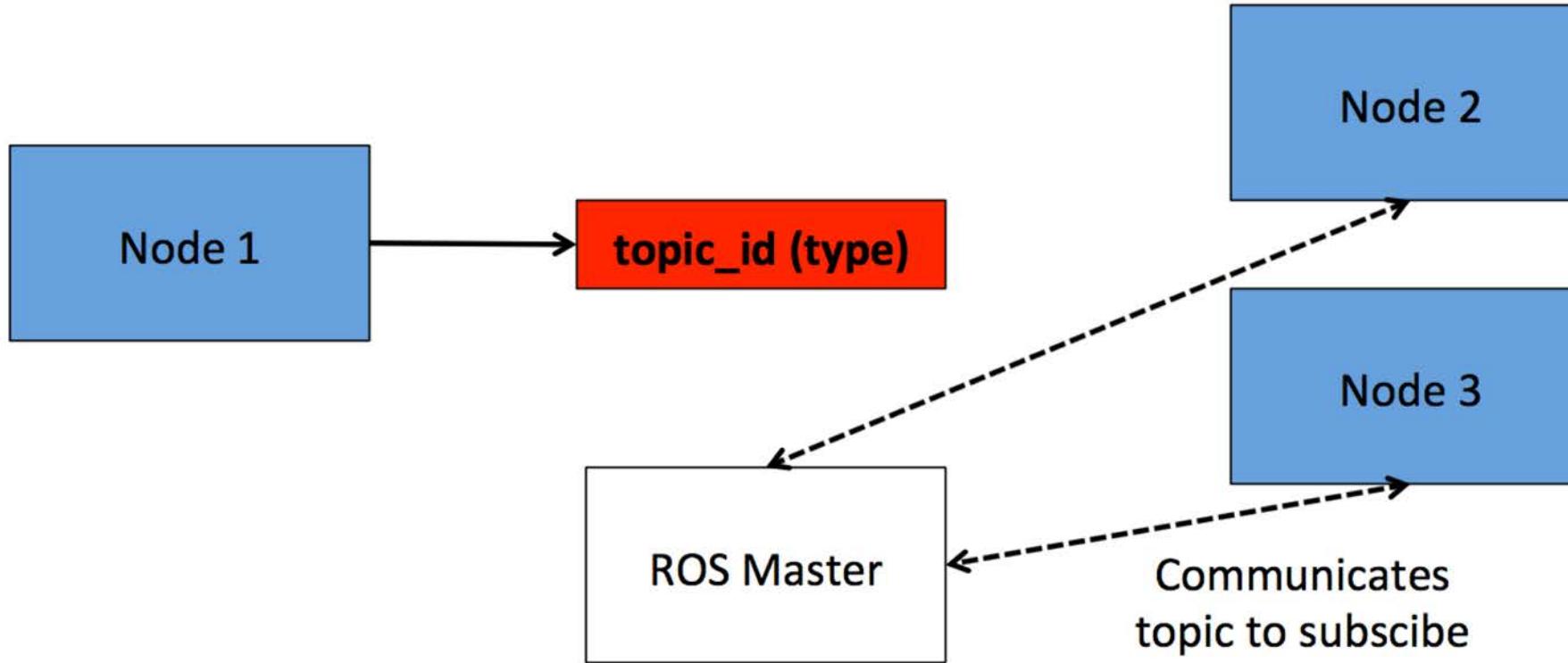
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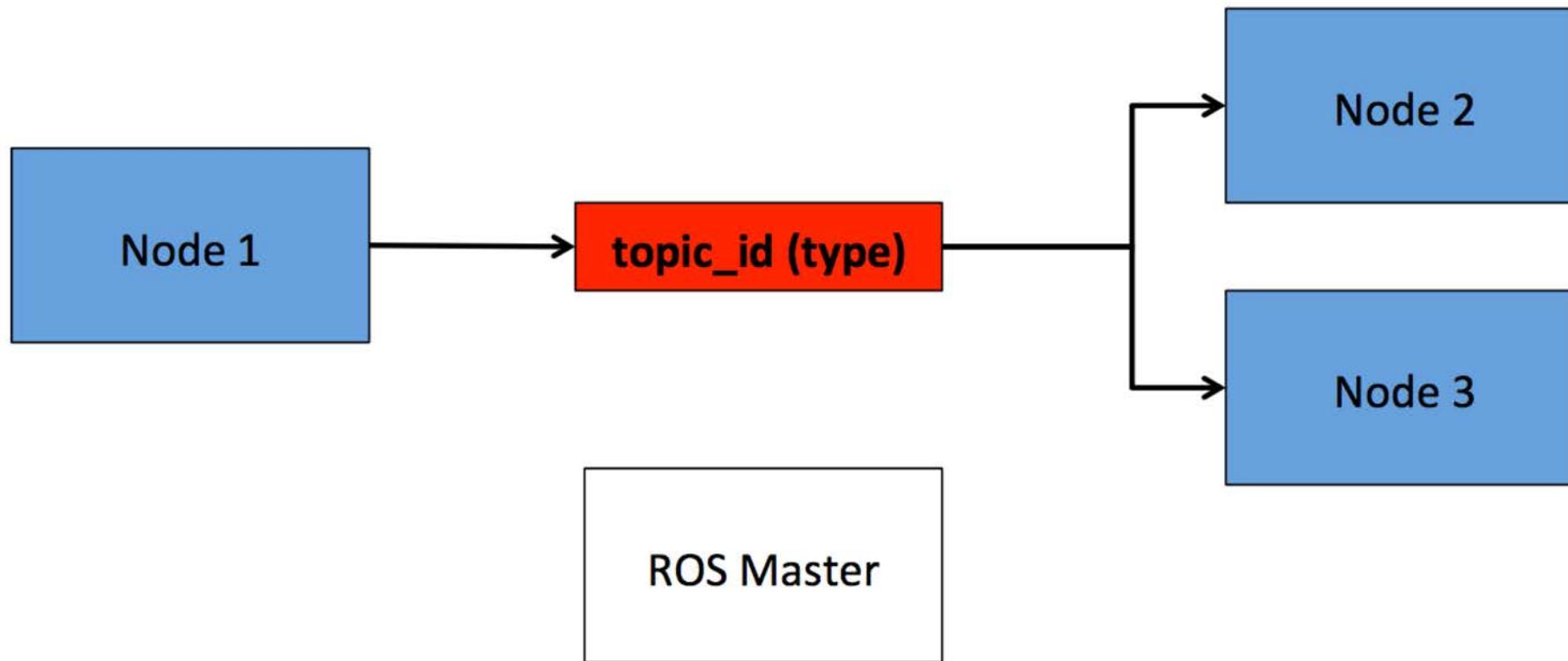
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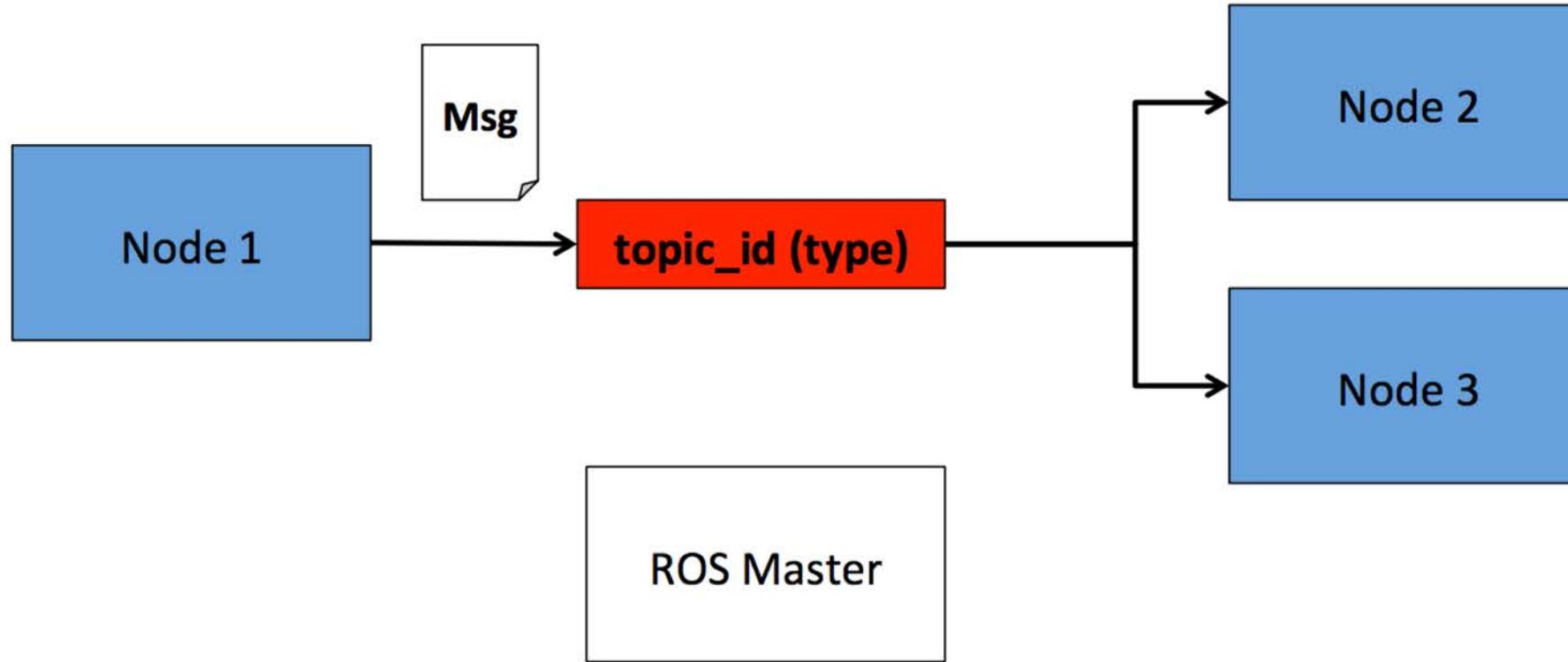
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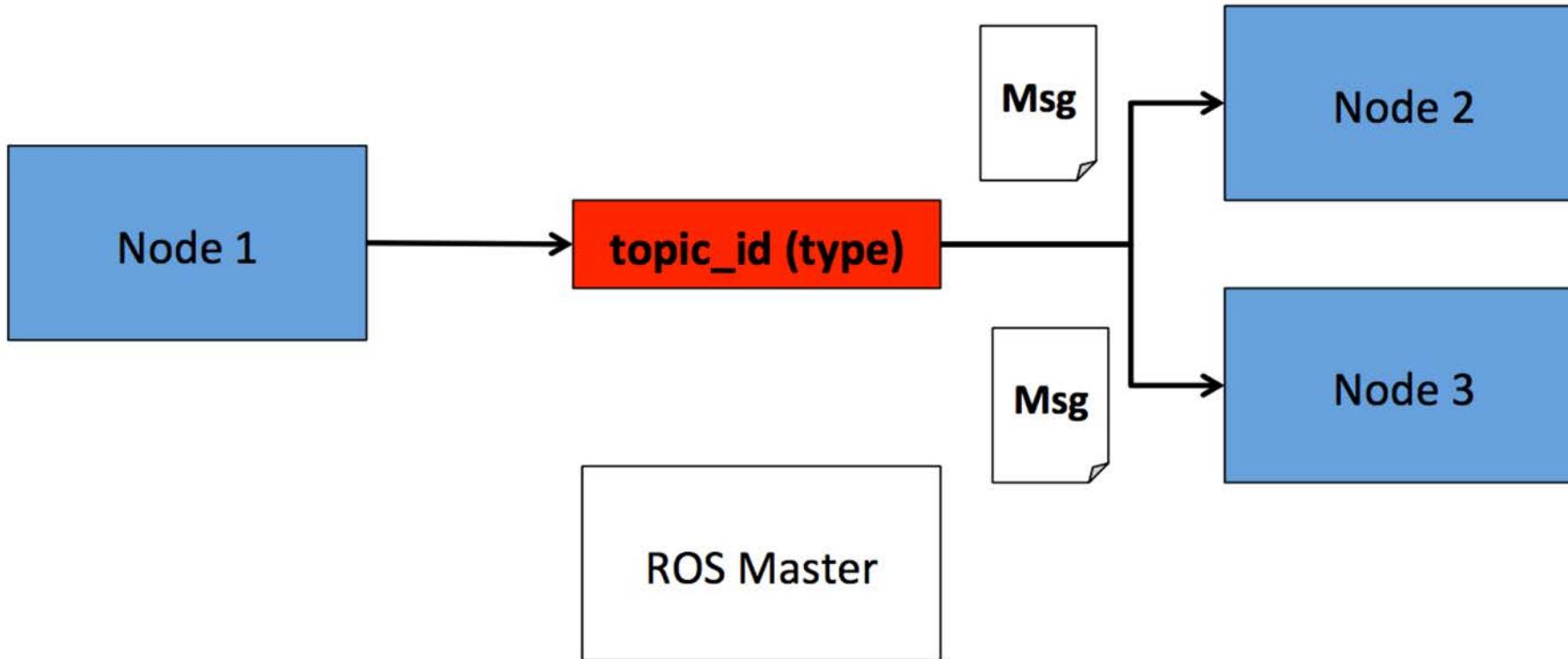
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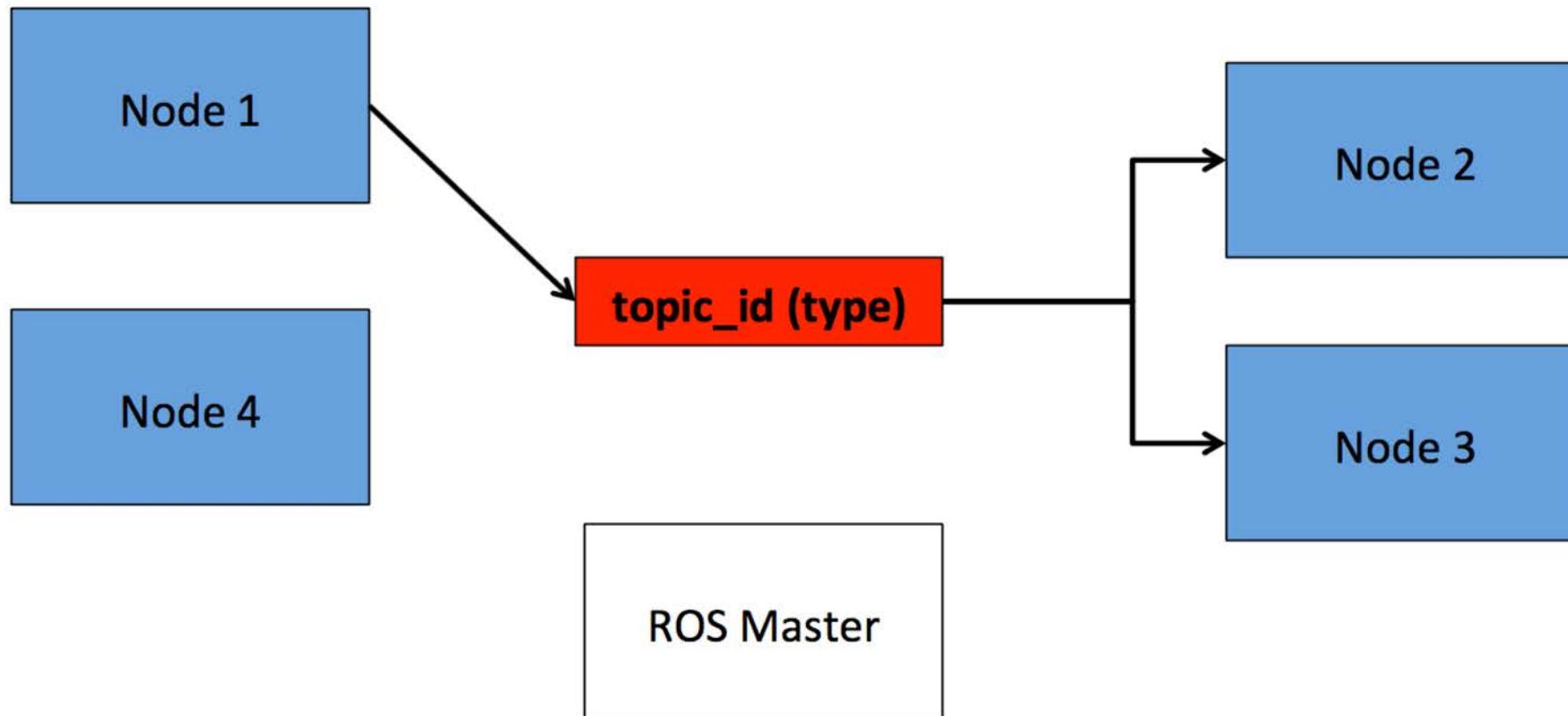
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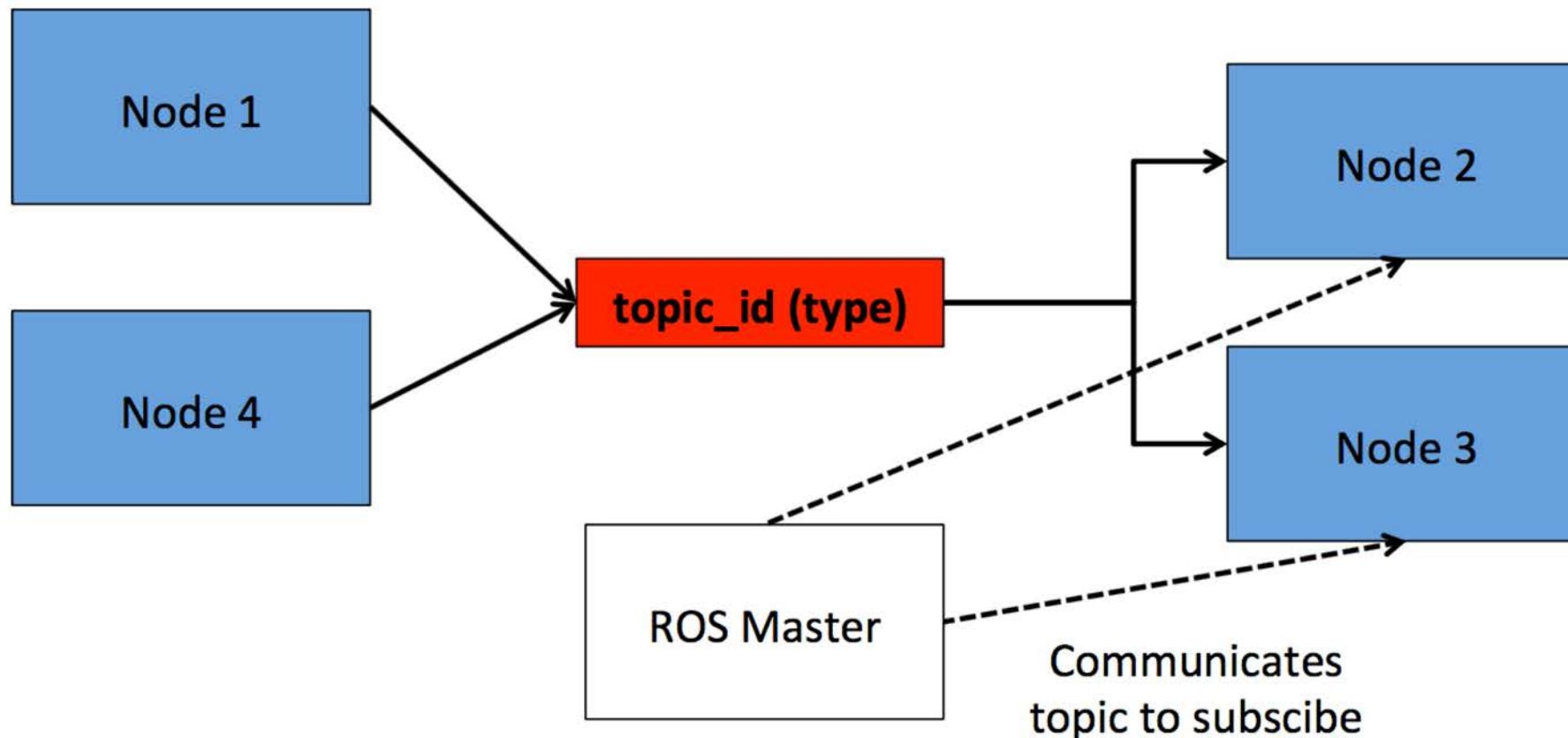
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# Communications: Client/Service

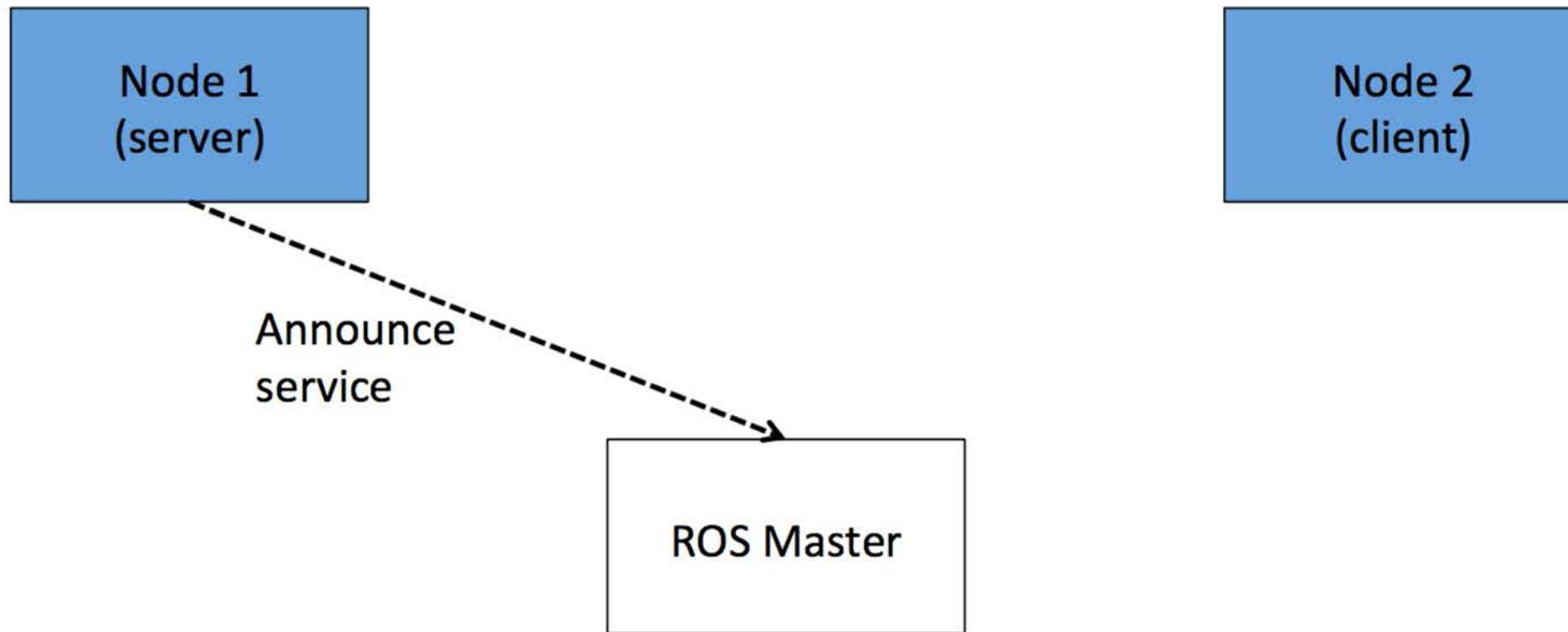
Node 1  
(server)

Node 2  
(client)

ROS Master

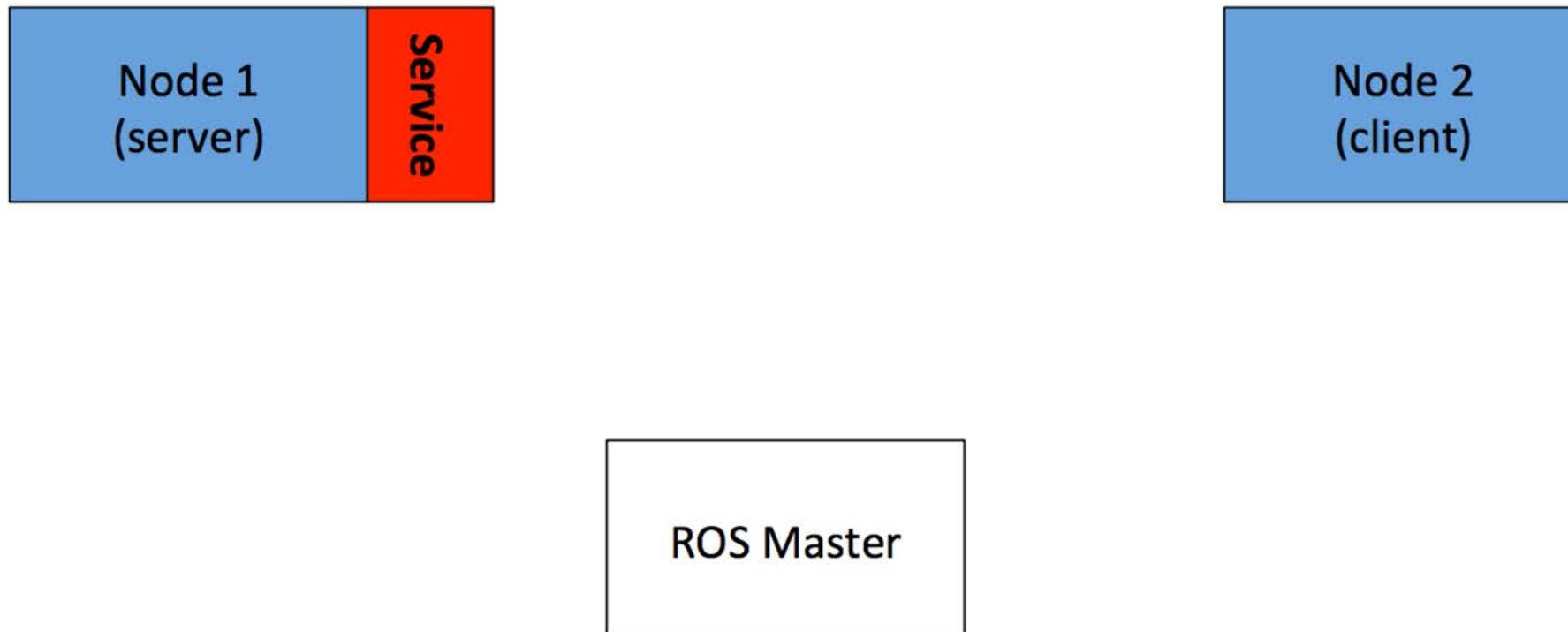
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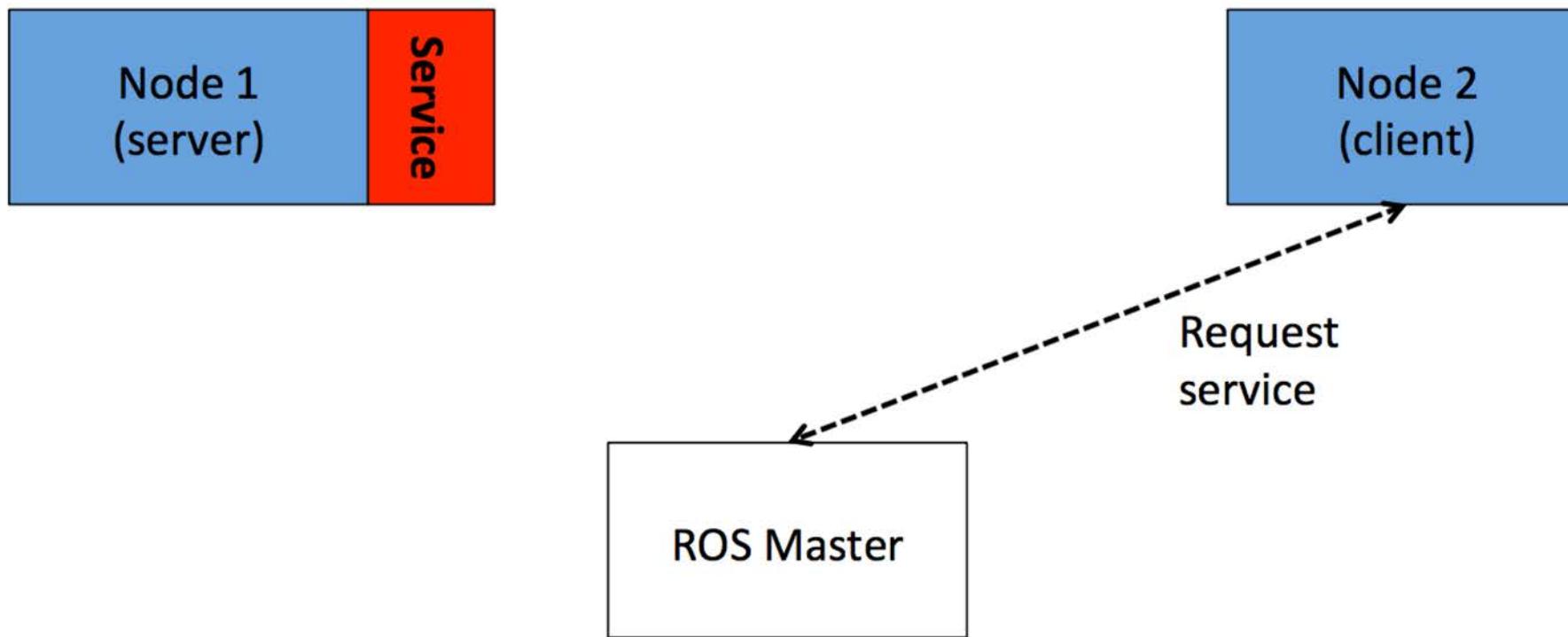
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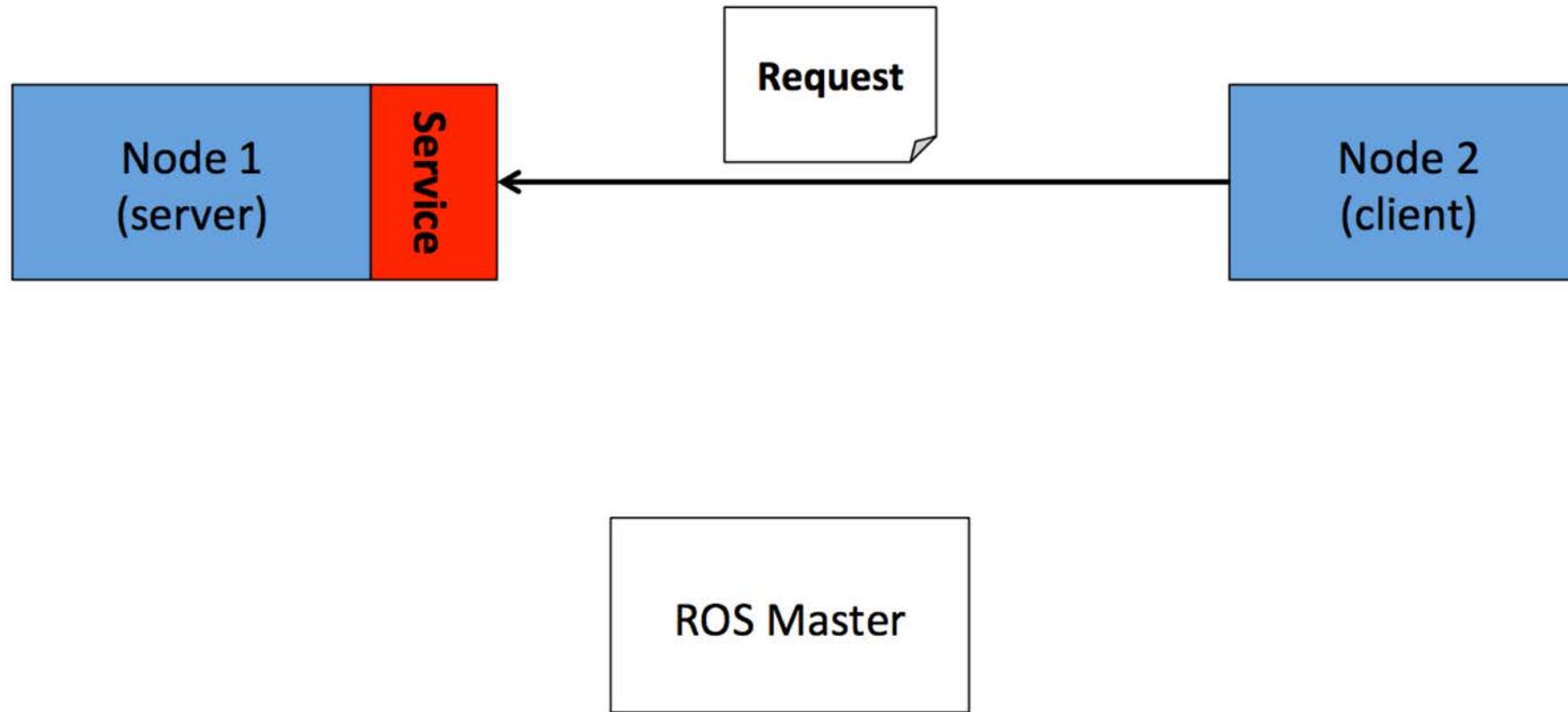
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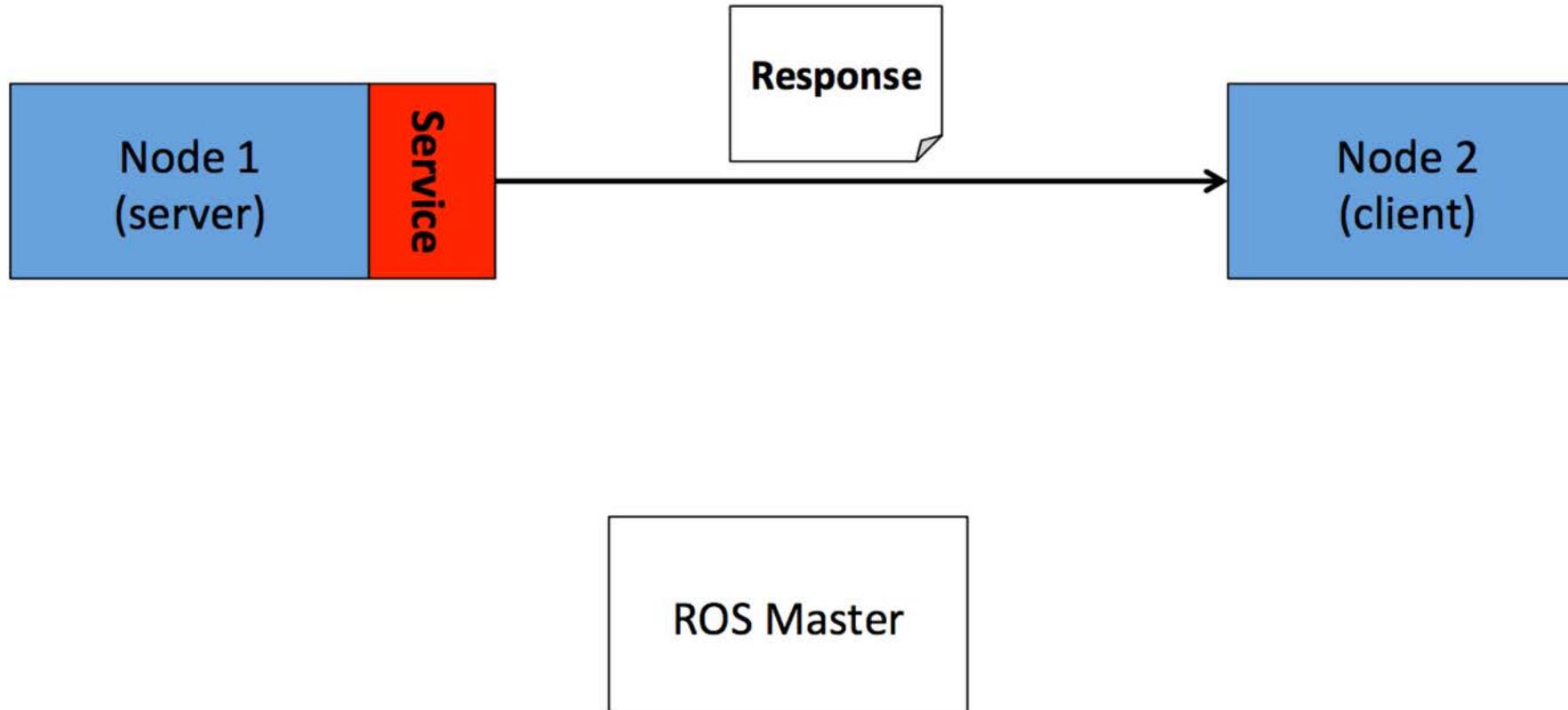
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# Communications: Client/Service



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# Communications: Client/Service



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# rospy client library: Services

ROS Services are defined by `srv` files, which contains a *request* message and a *response* message.

rospy converts these `srv` files into Python source code and creates three classes that you need to be familiar with: **service definitions, request messages, and response messages**.  
The names of these classes come directly from the `srv` filename:

`my_package/srv/Foo.srv` → `my_package.srv.Foo`

`my_package/srv/Foo.srv` → `my_package.srv.FooRequest`

`my_package/srv/Foo.srv` → `my_package.srv.FooResponse`

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```
1 int64 a
2 int64 b
3 ---
4 int64 sum
```

# rospy client library: Service proxies

Create a callable proxy to a service.

```
rospy.ServiceProxy(name, service_class, persistent=False, headers=None)
```

Wait until a service becomes available.

```
rospy.wait_for_service(service, timeout=None)
```

# rospy client library: Calling Service proxies

1. You call a service by creating a `rospy.ServiceProxy` with the name of the service you wish to call.
2. You often will want to call `rospy.wait_for_service()` to block until a service is available.
3. If a service returns an error for the request, a `rospy.ServiceException` will be raised. The exception will contain any error messages that the service sent.

# rospy client library: Service call example

```
1 rospy.wait_for_service('add_two_ints')
2 add_two_ints = rospy.ServiceProxy('add_two_ints', AddTwoInts)
3 try:
4     resp1 = add_two_ints(x, y)
5 except rospy.ServiceException as exc:
6     print("Service did not process request: " + str(exc))
```

# rospy client library: Calling services

## Explicit style:

The explicit style is simple: you create your own `*Request` instance and pass it to publish, e.g.:

```
req = rospy_tutorials.srv.AddTwoIntsRequest(1, 2)
resp = add_two_ints(req)
```

## Implicit style with in-order arguments:

In the *in-order* style, a new `Message` instance will be created with the arguments provided, in order. The argument order is the same as the order of the fields in the `Message`, and you must provide a value for all of the fields. For example, `rospy_tutorials.srv.AddTwoIntsRequest` has two integer fields:

```
resp = add_two_ints(1, 2)
```

## Implicit style with keyword arguments

In the *keyword* style, you only initialize the fields that you wish to provide values for. The rest receive default values (e.g. 0, empty string, etc...). For example, `rospy_tutorials.srv.AddTwoIntsRequest` has two fields: `a` and `b`, which are both integers. You could call:

```
resp = add_two_ints(a=1)
```

which will set `a` to 1 and give `b` its default value of 0

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`my_package/srv/Foo.srv` → `my_package.srv.FooRequest`

`my_package/srv/Foo.srv` → `my_package.srv.FooResponse`

# Creating a ROS srv

- An **.srv** file describes a service. It is composed of two parts: a request and a response. Service files are stored in the *package\_name/srv* folder.
- The field types you can use are:
  - int8, int16, int32, int64 (plus uint\*)
  - float32, float64
  - string
  - time, duration
  - Header
  - other msg files
  - variable-length array[] and fixed-length array[C]

# Creating a ROS srv

- Create a **srv** folder inside the *beginner\_tutorials* folder

```
$ rosdep init  
$ rosdep update  
$ roscd beginner_tutorials  
$ mkdir srv  
$ cd srv
```

- Create a file named **AddTwoInts.srv** with the following content:

```
int64 a  
int64 b  
---  
int64 sum
```

# Creating a ROS srv

- Open the file **package.xml** and add these two lines:

```
<build_depend>message_generation</build_depend>
<run_depend>message_runtime</run_depend>
```

- Open the file **CMakeList.txt** and add/uncomment:

```
find_package(catkin REQUIRED COMPONENTS
    roscpp rospy std_msgs message_generation
)
...
add_service_files(
    FILES
    AddTwoInts.srv
)
...
generate_messages(
    DEPENDENCIES
    std_msgs
)
```

# Writing add\_two\_ints\_server.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

from beginner_tutorials.srv import *
import rospy

def handle_add_two_ints(req):
    print "Returning ", req.a, "+", req.b, " = ", (req.a + req.b)
    return AddTwoIntsResponse(req.a + req.b)

def add_two_ints_server(): We declare our node using init_node() and then declare our service
    rospy.init_node('add_two_ints_server')
    s = rospy.Service('add_two_ints',
                      AddTwoInts, handle_add_two_ints)
    print "Ready to add two ints." All requests are passed to handle_add_two_ints function
    rospy.spin() rospy.spin() keeps your code from exiting until the service is shutdown.

if __name__ == "__main__":
    add_two_ints_server()
```

# Writing add\_two\_ints\_client.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
```

```
import sys
import rospy
from beginner_tutorials.srv import *

def add_two_ints_client(x, y):
    rospy.wait_for_service('add_two_ints')
    try:
        add_two_ints = rospy.ServiceProxy('add_two_ints', AddTwoInts)
        respl = add_two_ints(x, y)
        return respl.sum
    except rospy.ServiceException, e:
        print "Service call failed: %s"%e
```

For clients you don't have to call init\_node()

Convenient method that blocks until the service named add\_two\_ints is available

Create a handle for calling the service

We can use this handle just like a normal function and call it

```
def usage():
    return "%s [x y]"%sys.argv[0]
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    if len(sys.argv) == 3:
        x = int(sys.argv[1])
        y = int(sys.argv[2])
    else:
        print usage()
        sys.exit(1)
    print "Requesting %s+%s"%(x, y)
    print "%s + %s = %s"%(x, y, add_two_ints_client(x, y))
```

# Build and run

- Make the scripts executable:

```
$ chmod +x add_two_ints_client.py  
$ chmod +x add_two_ints_server.py
```

- Build the service message as usual:

```
$ cd ~/catkin_ws  
$ catkin_make
```

- Run it as before:

```
$ roscore  
-----  
$ rosrun beginner_tutorials talker.py  
-----  
$ rosrun beginner_tutorials listener.py
```

	<i>Topics</i>	<i>Services</i>
<b><i>active things</i></b>	<code>rostopic</code>	<code>rosservice</code>
<b><i>data types</i></b>	<code>rosmsg</code>	<code>rossrv</code>

```
$ rosservice list
```

You will obtain the following output:

```
/clear
/kill
/reset
/rosout/get_loggers
/rosout/set_logger_level
/spawn
/teleop_turtle/get_loggers
/teleop_turtle/set_logger_level
/turtle1/set_pen
/turtle1/teleport_absolute
/turtle1/teleport_relative
/turtlesim/get_loggers
/turtlesim/set_logger_level
```

If you want to see the type of any service, for example, the /clear service, use the following command:

```
$ rosservice type /clear
```

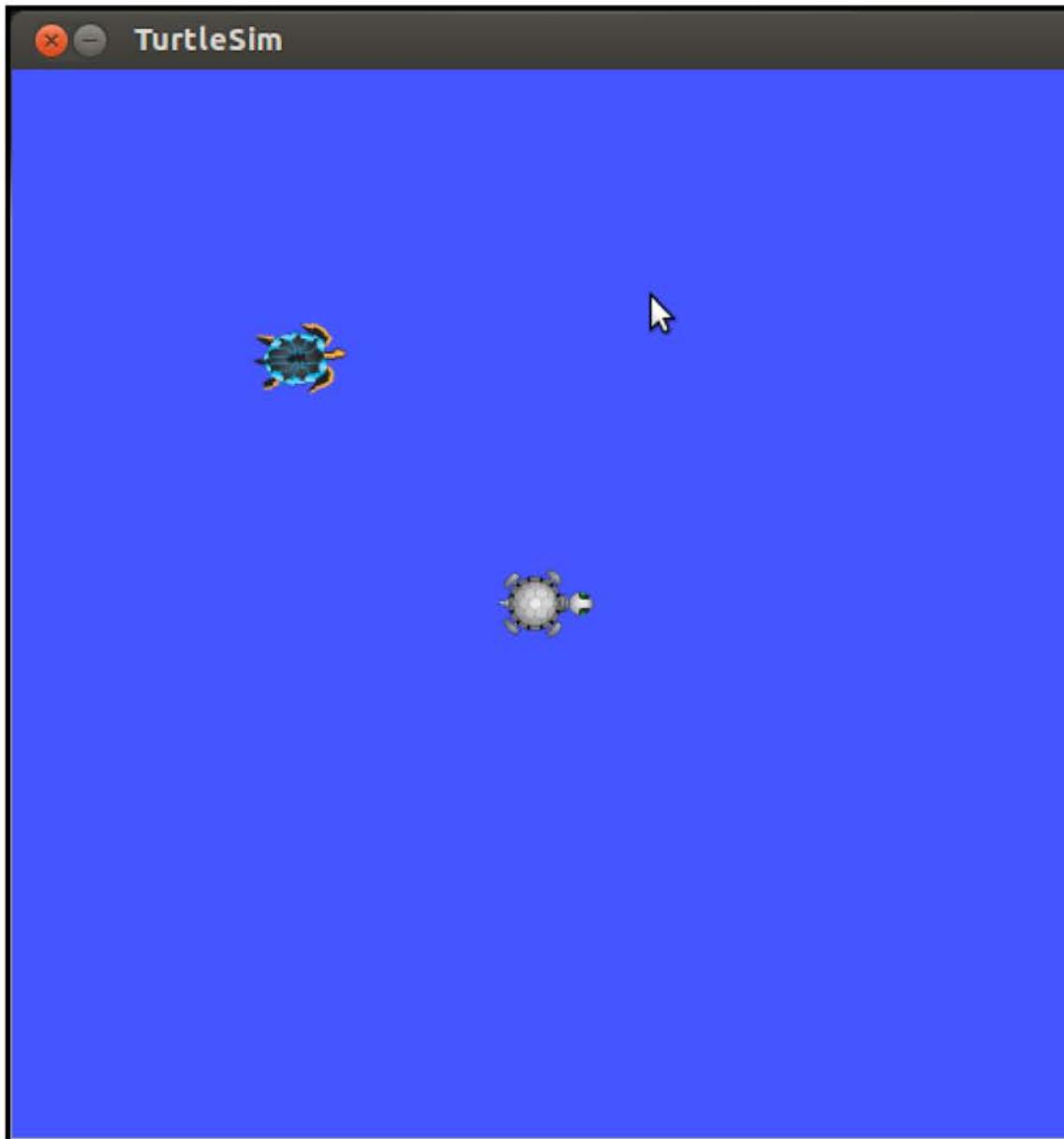
```
$ rosservice type /spawn | rossrv show
```

You will see something similar to the following output:

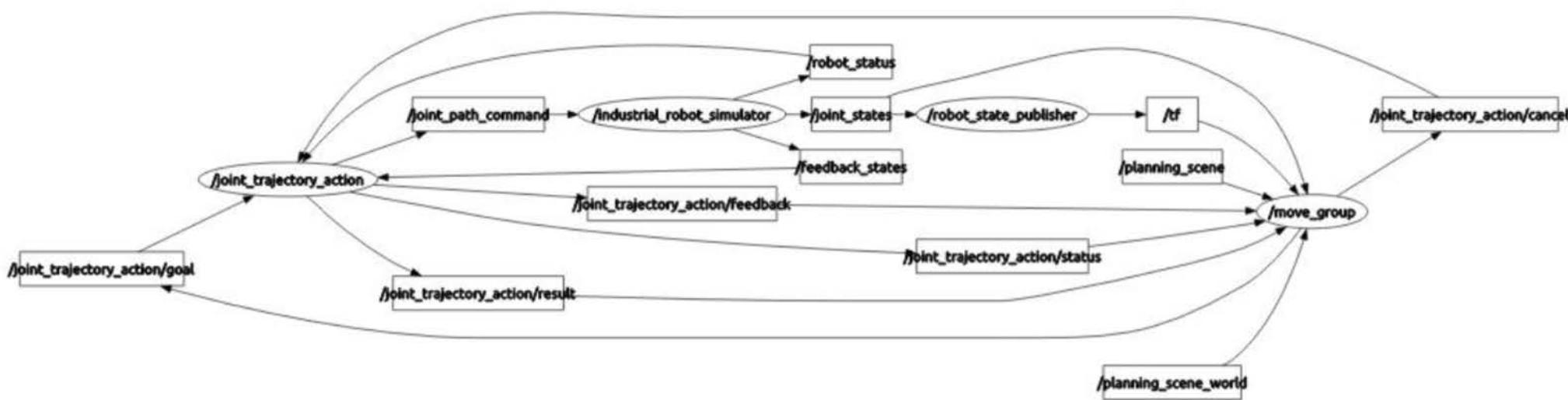
```
float32 x
float32 y
float32 theta
string name
---
string name
```

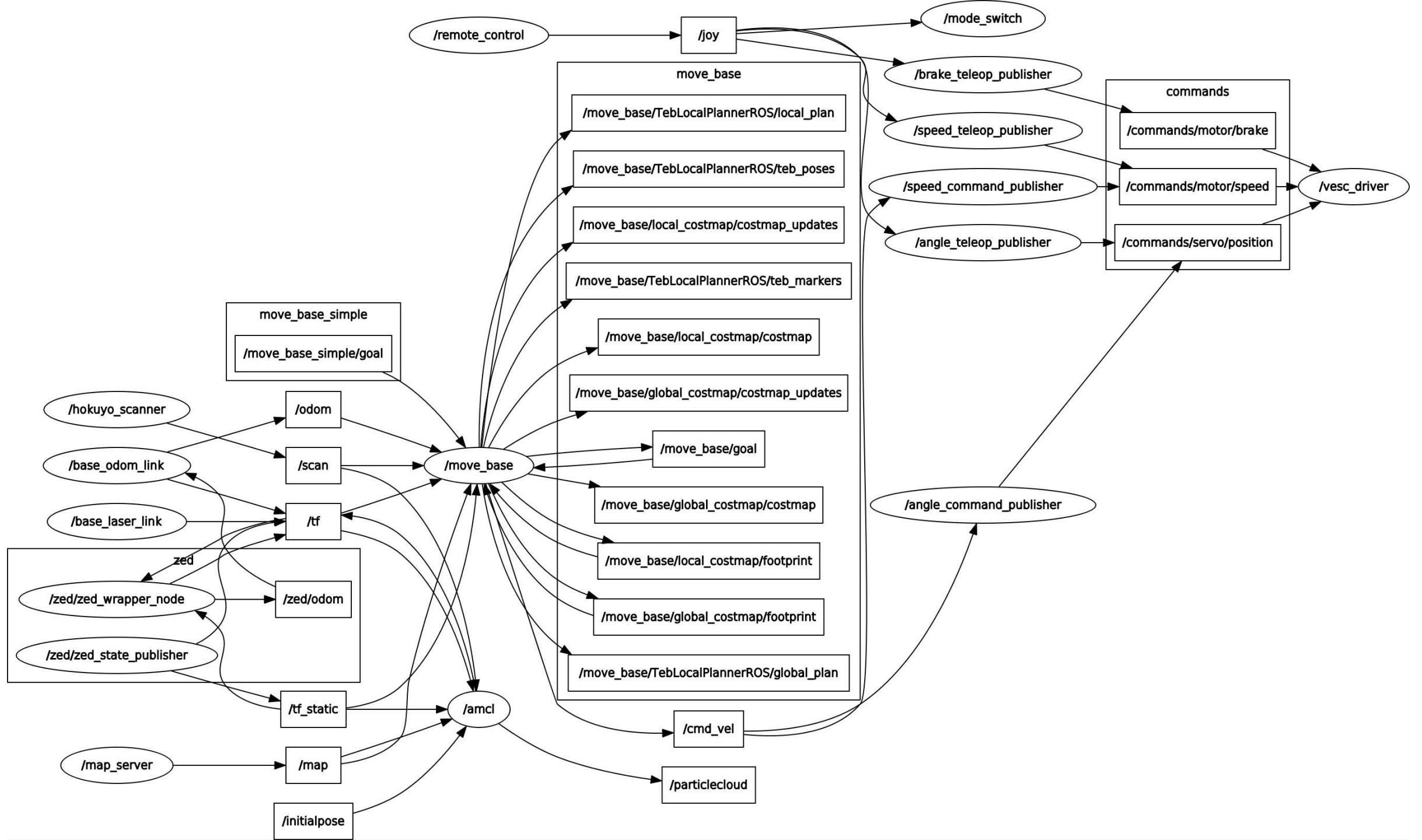
```
$ rosservice call /spawn 3 3 0.2 "new_turtle"
```

We then obtain the following result:



- ROS is a Distributed System
  - often 10s of nodes, plus configuration data
  - painful to start each node “manually”





# Launch files

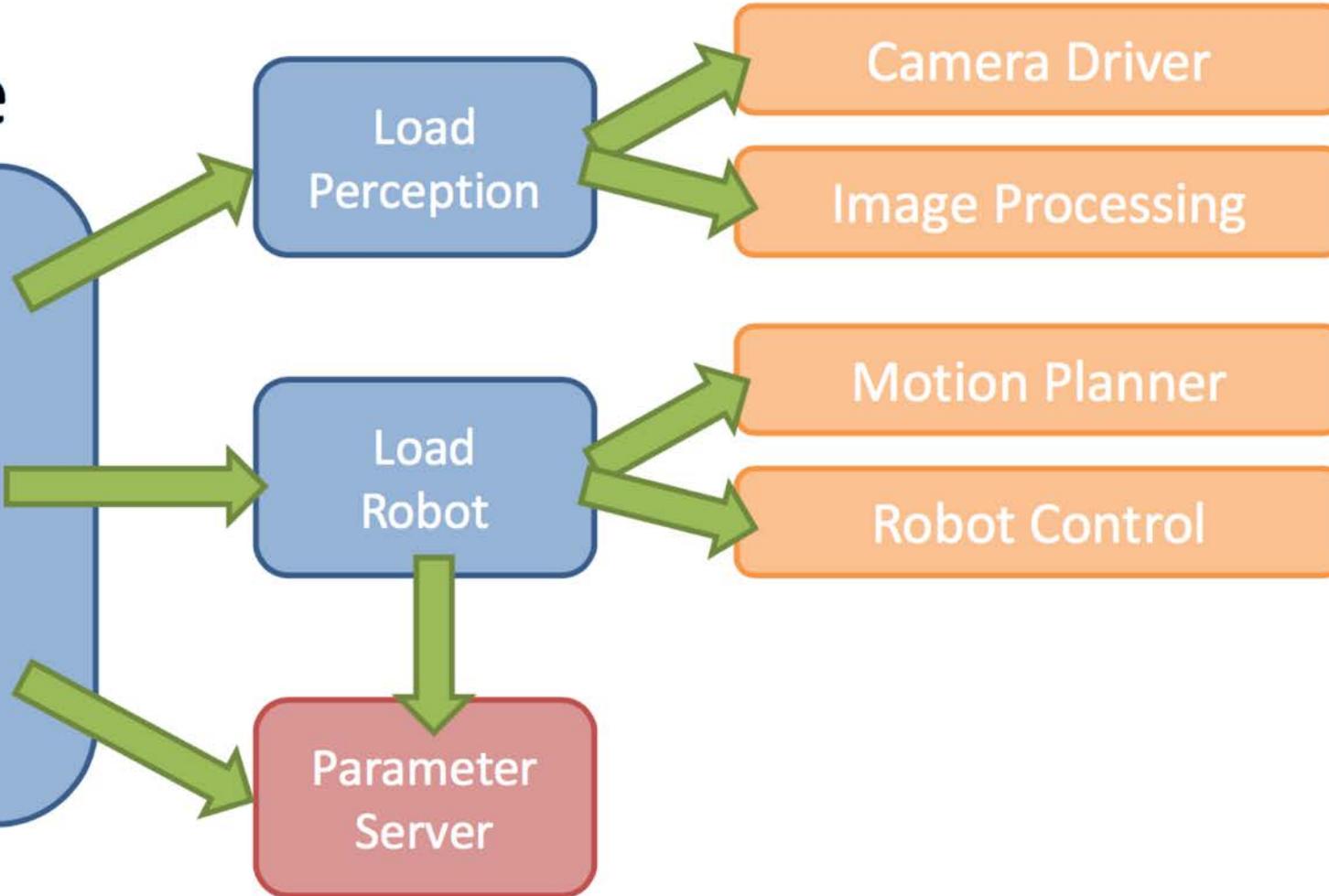


`roslaunch package_name file.launch`

# Launch Files are like **Startup Scripts**

Launch File

Load  
Robot  
System



# Launch Files: Notes

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- Can launch *other* launch files
- Executed in order, without pause or wait\*
  - \* *Parameters set to parameter server before nodes are launched*
- Can accept arguments
- Can perform simple IF-THEN operations
- Supported parameter types:
  - Bool, string, int, double, text file, binary file

# Example: Launch files

- Open an editor and save the following as `~/turtlesim_test.launch`

```
<launch>
  <group ns="turtlesim1">
    <node pkg="turtlesim" name="sim" type="turtlesim_node" />
  </group>
  <group ns="turtlesim2">
    <node pkg="turtlesim" name="sim" type="turtlesim_node" />
  </group>
  <node pkg="turtlesim" name="mimic" type="mimic">
    <remap from="input" to="turtlesim1/turtle1"/>
    <remap from="output" to="turtlesim2/turtle1"/>
  </node>
</launch>
```

```
<launch>
```

```
<group ns="turtlesim1">  
  <node pkg="turtlesim" name="sim" type="turtlesim_node"/>  
</group>  
  
<group ns="turtlesim2">  
  <node pkg="turtlesim" name="sim" type="turtlesim_node"/>  
</group>
```

```
<node pkg="turtlesim" name="mimic" type="mimic">  
  <remap from="input" to="turtlesim1/turtle1"/>  
  <remap from="output" to="turtlesim2/turtle1"/>  
</node>
```

```
</launch>
```

start the launch file with the launch tag, so that the file is identified as a launch file

start two groups with a namespace tag of turtlesim1 and turtlesim2 with a turtlesim node with a name of sim.  
This allows us to start two simulators without having name conflicts.

start the mimic node with the topics input and output renamed to turtlesim1 and turtlesim2.  
This renaming will cause turtlesim2 to mimic turtlesim1.

This closes the xml tag for the launch file

```
$ roslaunch beginner_tutorials turtlemimic.launch
```

```
$ rostopic pub /turtlesim1/turtle1/cmd_vel geometry_msgs/Twist -r 1 -- '[2.0, 0.0, 0.0]' '[0.0, 0.0, -1.8]'
```

```
$ rqt_graph
```



## Example launch file for the F1/10 car

```
1 <launch>
2
3   <arg name="debug" default="false" />
4   <arg name="bag_path" default="$(find autonomous_driving)/bags/calibrated_140.bag"/>
5
6   <node pkg="rosbag" type="play" name="player" output="screen" args="-l $(arg bag_path)" if="$(arg debug)" ns="autonomous_driving"/>
7
8   <include file="$(find autonomous_driving)/launch/camera.launch">
9     <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)" />
10  </include>
11  <include file="$(find autonomous_driving)/launch/lane_detection.launch">
12    <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)" />
13  </include>
14  <include file="$(find autonomous_driving)/launch/object_detection.launch">
15    <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)" />
16  </include>
17  <include file="$(find autonomous_driving)/launch/rovercontrol.launch">
18    <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)" />
19  </include>
20 </launch>
```

# rosbags: Recording and playing back data

all published topics should be accumulated in a bag file.

```
mkdir ~/bagfiles  
cd ~/bagfiles  
rosbag record -a
```

# ROS Bags

- A *bag* is a format for storing message data
- Binary format with file extension \*.bag
- Suited for logging and recording datasets for later visualization and analysis

Record all topics in a bag

```
> rosbag record --all
```

Record given topics

```
> rosbag record topic_1 topic_2 topic_3
```

Stop recording with Ctrl + C

Bags are saved with start date and time as file name in the current folder (e.g. 2017-02-07-01-27-13.bag)

## rosbags: Recording specific topics

```
rosbag record -O subset /turtle1/cmd_vel /turtle1/pose
```

-O argument tells **rosbag record** to log to a file named subset.bag

# rosbags: Recording specific topics

```
path:          subset.bag
version:       2.0
duration:     12.6s
start:        Dec 10 2014 20:20:49.45 (1418271649.45)
end:          Dec 10 2014 20:21:02.07 (1418271662.07)
size:         68.3 KB
messages:     813
compression:  none [1/1 chunks]
types:        geometry_msgs/Twist [9f195f881246fdfa2798d1d3eebca84a]
              turtlesim/Pose   [863b248d5016ca62ea2e895ae5265cf9]
topics:       /turtle1/cmd_vel    23 msgs   : geometry_msgs/Twist
              /turtle1/pose      790 msgs   : turtlesim/Pose
```

# rosbags: Examining and playing the bag file

```
rosbag info <your bagfile>
```

```
path:          2014-12-10-20-08-34.bag                                year, date, and time and the suffix .bag
version:       2.0
duration:     1:38s (98s)
start:        Dec 10 2014 20:08:35.83 (1418270915.83)
end:          Dec 10 2014 20:10:14.38 (1418271014.38)
size:         865.0 KB
messages:     12471
compression:  none [1/1 chunks]
types:         geometry_msgs/Twist [9f195f881246fdfa2798d1d3eebca84a]
               rosgraph_msgs/Log  [acffd30cd6b6de30f120938c17c593fb]
               turtlesim/Color   [353891e354491c51aabe32df673fb446]
               turtlesim/Pose    [863b248d5016ca62ea2e895ae5265cf9]
topics:        /rosout                      4 msgs   : rosgraph_msgs/Log   (2 connections)
               /turtle1/cmd_vel      169 msgs  : geometry_msgs/Twist
               /turtle1/color_sensor 6149 msgs  : turtlesim/Color
               /turtle1/pose         6149 msgs  : turtlesim/Pose
```

# rosbags: Playing back data

```
rosbag play <your bagfile>
```

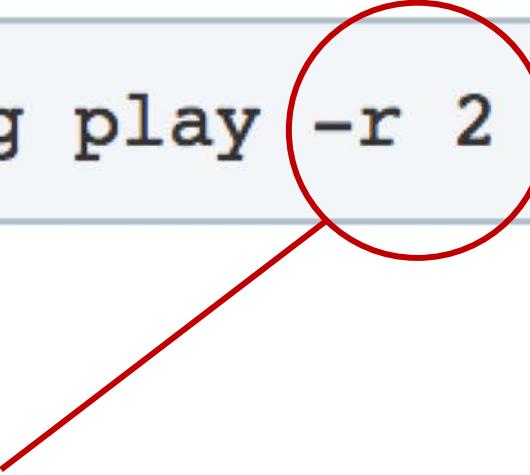
```
[ INFO] [1418271315.162885976]: Opening 2014-12-10-20-08-34.bag
```

```
Waiting 0.2 seconds after advertising topics... done.
```

```
Hit space to toggle paused, or 's' to step.
```

## rosbags: Playing back data

```
rosbag play -r 2 <your bagfile>
```



allows you to change the rate of publishing by a specified factor.

## Sensors Udacity Lincoln MKZ

**Camera** 3x Blackfly GigE Camera, 20 Hz

**Lidar** Velodyne HDL-32E, 9.5 Hz

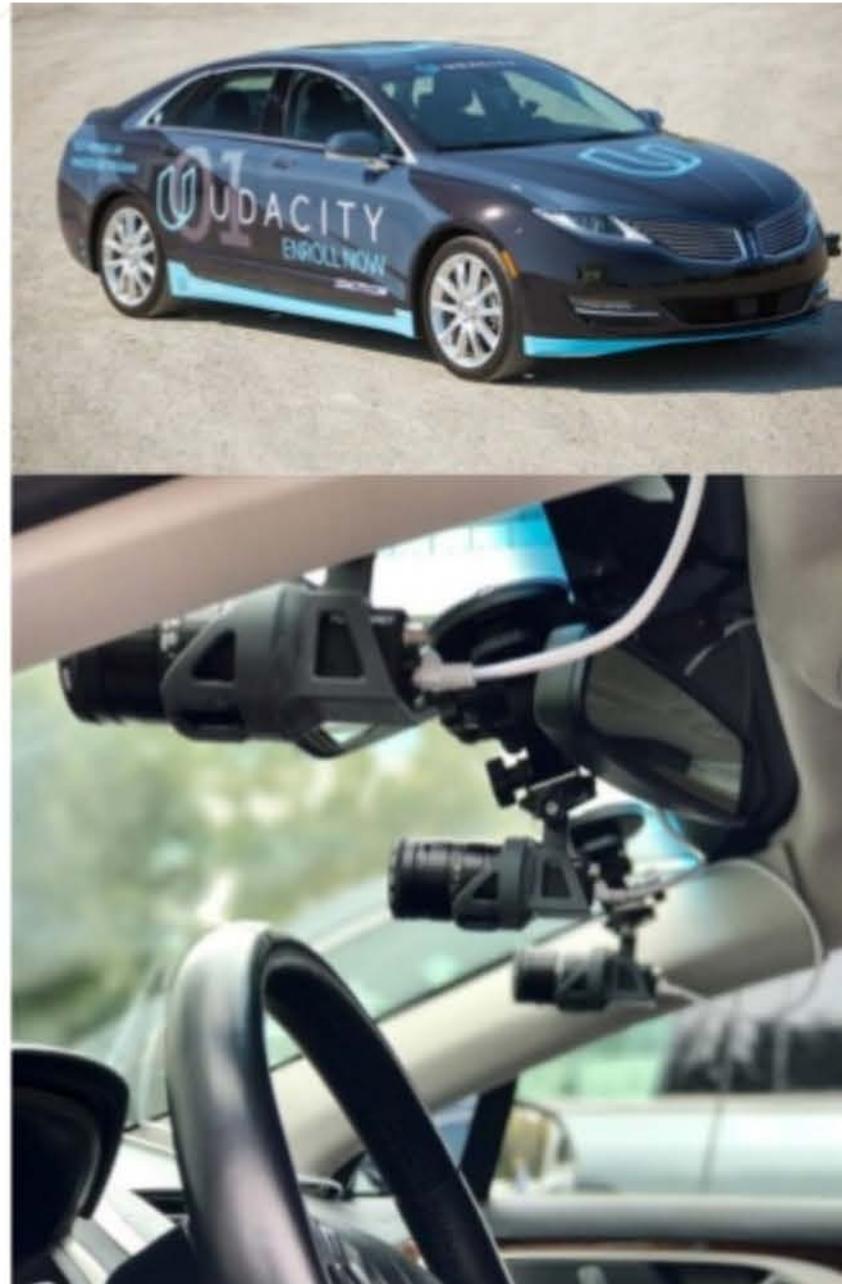
**IMU** Xsens, 400 Hz

**GPS** 2x fixed, 1 Hz

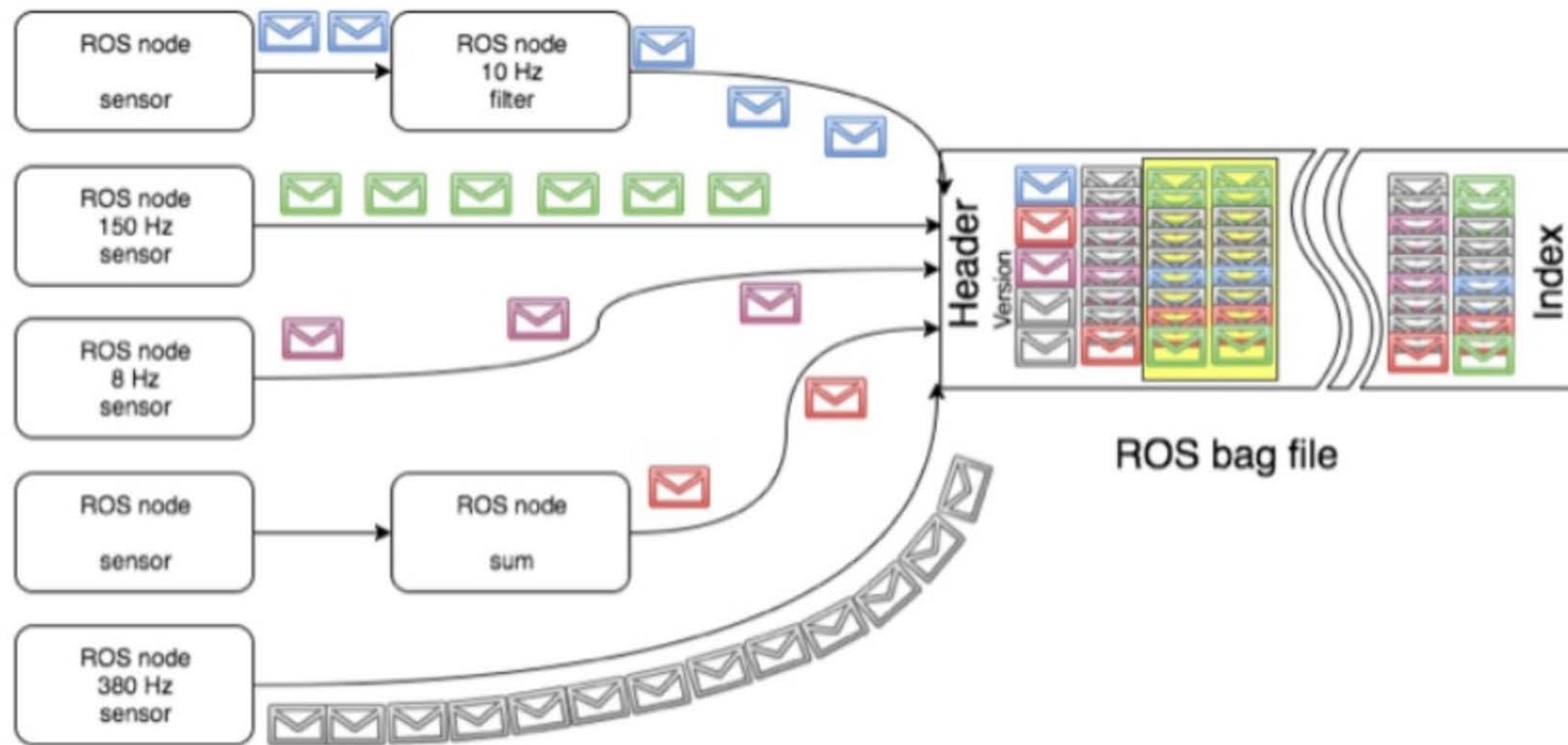
**CAN bus**, 1,1 kHz

**Robot Operating System**

**Data** 3 GB per minute

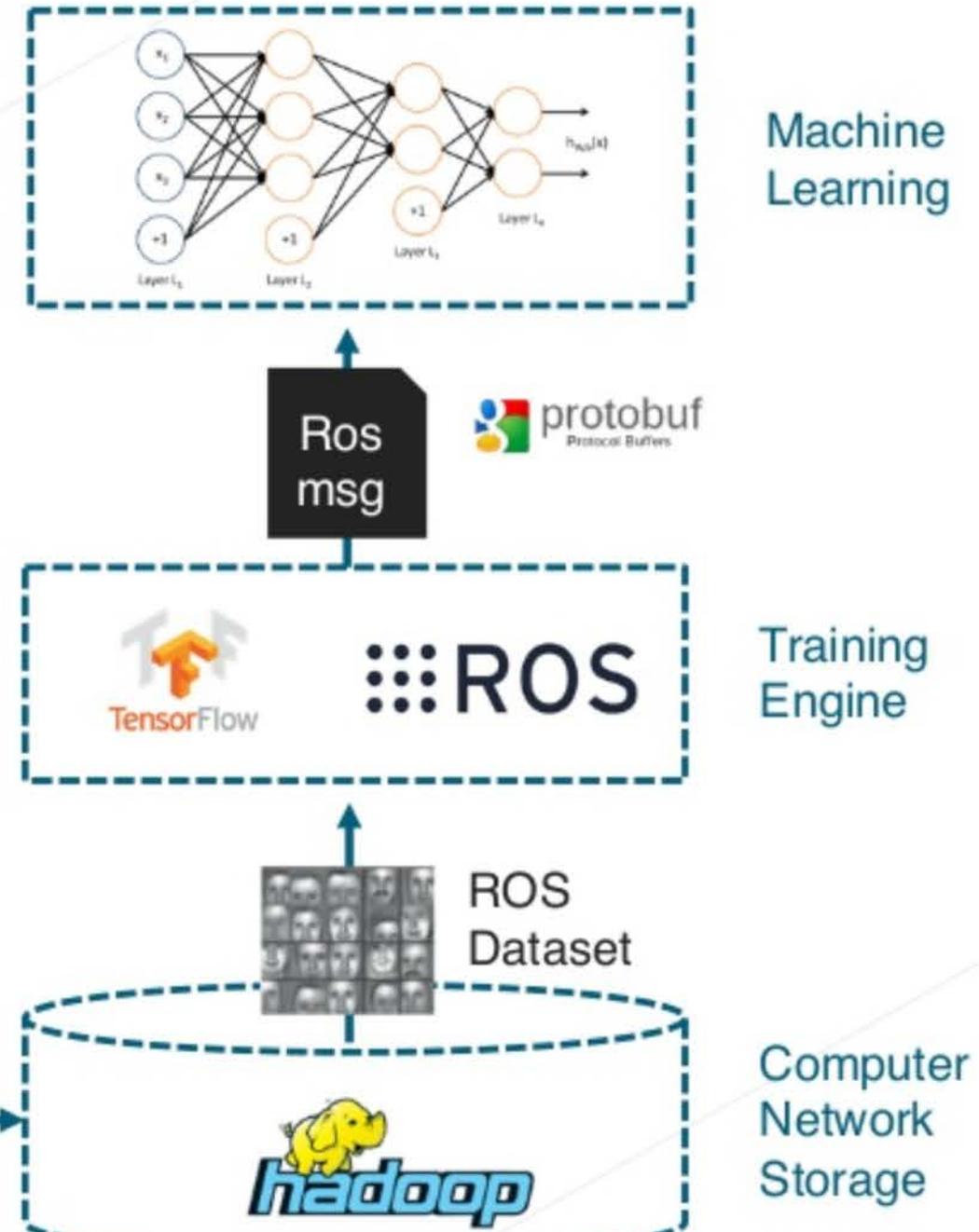
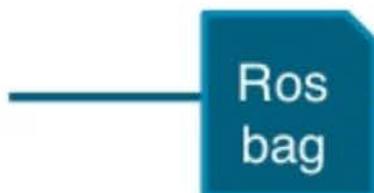


# ROS bag data structure



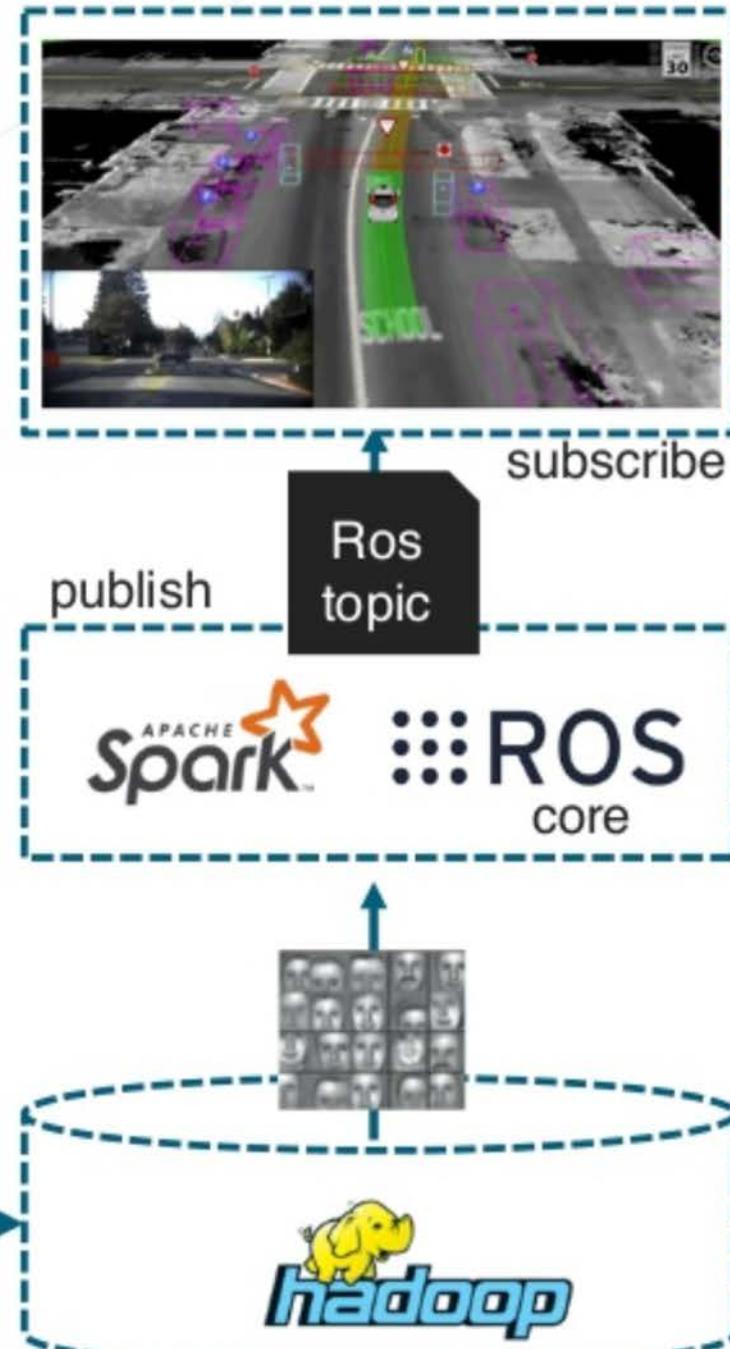
# Training & Evaluation

- + Tensorflow ROSRecordDataset
- + Protocol Buffers to serialize records
- + Save time because data conversion not needed
- + Save storage because data duplication not needed



# Re-Simulation & Testing

- + Use Spark for preprocessing, transformation, cleansing, aggregation, time window selection before publish to ROS topics
- + Use Re-Simulation framework of choice to subscribe to the ROS topics



Re-Simulation  
with framework  
of choice

Engine

Computer  
Network  
Storage

## Runtime Manager

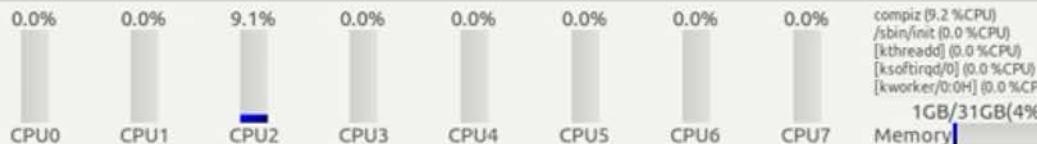
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/media/ando/ssd/log/rosbag/rosbag.bag

Ref

Rate:  Start Time (s):   Repeat[Play](#) [Stop](#) [Pause](#)

path: /media/ando/ssd/log/rosbag/rosbag.bag  
version: 2.0  
duration: 11:35s (695s)  
start: Jun 23 2015 10:57:55.84 (1435024675.84)  
end: Jun 23 2015 11:09:31.80 (1435025371.80)  
size: 26.1 GB  
messages: 17393  
compression: none [17393/17393 chunks]  
types: sensor\_msgs/Image [060021388200f6f0f447d0fc9c64743]  
sensor\_msgs/PointCloud2 [1158d486dd51d683ce2f1be655c3c181]  
topics: /image\_raw 10439 msgs :sensor\_msgs/Image  
/points\_raw 6954 msgs :sensor\_msgs/PointCloud2

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compiz (9.2 %CPU)  
/sbin/init (0.0 %CPU)  
[kthreadd] (0.0 %CPU)  
[ksoftirqd/0] (0.0 %CPU)  
[kworker/0:0H] (0.0 %CPU)  
1GB/31GB(4%)

