# Motoman manual

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# Introduction

The motoman industrial robot is a complicated system that needs to be handled carefully. This manual was written to help to understand how to do basic operations such as connecting the robot to its rviz visualization, using motion planners and using the kinects.

The motoman robot is a very expensive system, if you are scared to do something wrong that could break it then please ask the more experienced lab members.

This is the original manual. A japanese version of this manual will be soon written but it will be less detailed. If you have any questions please check the english version (this one).

# Installation and first script

In this chapter we will explain how to install the motoman project on your computer and make you write a script that use a motion planner to find a plan for the robot. This chapter is essentially a chain of instructions, there are few details about the files you will manipulate. The next chapter will be more in depth.

#### 2.1 Initialization

First thing to do is to create a ROS workspace where you will work. So go to where you want to create your workspace and then create the workspace with a *src* folder inside. Then go inside the *src* folder and initialize the catkin workspace.

```
cd /where/you/want/your/workspace
mkdir -p my_workspace/src
cd my_workspace/src
catkin_init_workspace
```

Then download the motoman project repository. To do it you need to have the git software in your computer. To install git just type the following command.

```
sudo apt-get install git
```

Then you need to download the repository. The *clone* command after the git command means you want to take the repository data and copy them into your current folder. So first go where your ros workspace and clone the github repository inside the src folder.

```
cd my_workspace/src
git clone https://github.com/Nishida-Lab/motoman_project.git
```



Figure 2.1: That is what you should see if the installation has been rightly completed.

Then normaly a *motoman\_project* file would have been created in your *src* folder. The next step is to actually compile the project. To do this you need to use the *catkin\_make* command in the root of your workspace. But before that you need to be sure to have all the dependencies.

```
cd my_workspace
wstool init src src/motoman_project/dependencies.rosinstall
sudo apt-get install ros-indigo-industrial-msgs
sudo apt-get install ros-indigo-industrial-robot-simulator
sudo apt-get install ros-indigo-industrial-robot-client
sudo apt-get install ros-indigo-ros-controllers
rosdep install -i --from-paths src
catkin_make
```

After compiling everything (it could take some time!) you will be able to use the project. A simple test is to launch one of the launch file of the project. First you need to source the workspace to be sure that you can use the ROS command associated to your project.

```
cd workspace
source devel/setup.bash
```

Then launch the empty environment with motoman inside by the following command.

```
cd my_workspace
source devel/setup.bash
roslaunch motoman_gazebo sia5_empty_world.launch
```

You should normally have the gazebo software begin to run and you can soon see the motoman robot sia5 inside your screen like in Figure 2.1.

#### 2.2 Finding a motion plan

In this section we will create a script that connect to the robot and use a motion planner to find a plan between a start position and a goal position. There are many things to do before being able to do it but if you follow the steps it should not be difficult. This section focus on writing the script rather than understanding everything. The next chapters will give more details about it.

To begin everything we need to create a ros package where our script will be written. You normally have one metapackage in your src folder named motoman\_project. It is really easy to create a new package in ros with the catkin command. You can name it anything you want, in this manual we will call it motion\_planning. To make our script able to run we will need to initialize gazebo and rviz. For this reason you will need to launch gazebo and rviz every time you will want to use your script. As it is tiring it is easier to just create a launch file that will be launch before the script and that will automatically call the gazebo and rviz part by itself.

```
cd workspace/src
catkin_create_pkg motion_planning roscpp
cd motion_planning
mkdir launch
cd launch
touch initialization.launch
```

We use the *roscpp* argument because our package will need it to create a ros node. You can create the following launch file in the launch folder, we will describe it more later.

Code 2.1: initialization.launch

```
<launch>
 <arg name="model" default="$(find</pre>
     motoman_description)/robots/sia5/sia5.urdf.xacro"/>
 <arg name="paused" default="false"/>
 <arg name="use_sim_time" default="true"/>
 <arg name="gui" default="false"/>
 <arg name="headless" default="false"/>
 <arg name="debug" default="false"/>
 <include file="$(find gazebo_ros)/launch/empty_world.launch">
   <arg name="world_name" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_gazebo)/worlds/sia5/sia5_empty.world"/>
   <arg name="debug" value="$(arg debug)" />
   <arg name="gui" value="$(arg gui)" />
   <arg name="paused" value="$(arg paused)"/>
   <arg name="use_sim_time" value="$(arg use_sim_time)"/>
   <arg name="headless" value="$(arg headless)"/>
 </include>
```

```
<param name="robot_description" command="$(find xacro)/xacro.py '$(arg</pre>
      model)'" />
  <node name="urdf_spawner" pkg="gazebo_ros" type="spawn_model"</pre>
      respawn="false" output="screen"
     args="-urdf -model sia5 -param robot_description"/>
  <include file="$(find</pre>
      motoman_control)/launch/sia5/sia5_sim_control.launch"/>
  <include file="$(find</pre>
      motoman_sia5_moveit_config)/launch/moveit_planning_execution.launch">
   <arg name="load_robot_description" value="true"/>
   <arg name="urdf_model" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_description)/robots/sia5/sia5.urdf.xacro"/>
   <arg name="srdf_model" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_moveit)/config/sia5/sia5.srdf"/>
   <arg name="joint_limits_config" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_moveit)/config/sia5/joint_limits.yaml"/>
   <arg name="kinematics_config" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_moveit)/config/sia5/kinematics.yaml"/>
   <arg name="controllers_config" value="$(find</pre>
       motoman_moveit)/config/sia5/controllers.yaml"/>
   <arg name="use_depth_sensor" value="false"/>
   <arg name="rviz_config" value="$(find</pre>
        motoman_moveit)/launch/rviz/moveit_sia5.rviz"/>
   <!-- Configuration planning library -->
   <arg name="ompl_config" default="$(find</pre>
        motoman_sia5_moveit_config)/config/ompl_planning.yaml"/>
   <!-- Choose planner [ompl|chomp|stomp] -->
   <arg name="planning_config" default="ompl"/>
   <!-- If you choose ompl, "use_ompl" is true. -->
   <arg name="use_ompl" default="true"/>
   <!-- If you choose stomp, "use_stomp" is true. -->
   <arg name="use_stomp" default="false"/>
  </include>
</launch>
```

In the *src* folder we can write our script to move the robot. First we create the file (we named it *moving.cpp* but every name is ok, just change the CMakeLists file accordingly).

```
cd workspace/src/motion_planning/src
touch moving.cpp
```

Then just write the following code inside the *moving.cpp* file. This script shows how to ask moveit to find a plan from the current position to any goal

position you define. However it may be possible that no plan will be found. In this situation the workspace is empty so it should be quite easy to find a solution but when a lot of obstacles are populating the environment then it becomes a difficult task to find a collision free trajectory for the robot.

Code 2.2: moving.cpp

```
#include <moveit/move_group_interface/move_group.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
 // Initialization of the ROS node
 ros::init(argc, argv, "moving_the_robot");
 // Initialization of moveit
 moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup group("arm");
 // Setting the start position
 group.setStartState(*group.getCurrentState());
 // Setting the goal position
 std::map<std::string, double> joints;
 joints["joint_s"] = -0.8;
 joints["joint_1"] = 0.2;
 joints["joint_e"] = 0.0;
 joints["joint_u"] = -0.4;
 joints["joint_r"] = 0.35;
 joints["joint_b"] = 0.6;
 joints["joint_t"] = 0.4;
 group.setJointValueTarget(joints);
 // Running the moveit planning
 moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup::Plan result_plan;
 group.plan(result_plan);
 return 0;
```

After having wrote the script we need to compile it. To do it we need to modify two files: the CMakeLists.txt and package.xml. These two files have already been created when you created the package with the catkin command, so you just have to replace their contents with the following files.

Code 2.3: CMakeLists.txt

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.3)
project(motion_planning)
set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "-std=c++0x ${CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS}")
```

```
find_package(catkin REQUIRED COMPONENTS
 roscpp
 moveit_msgs
 moveit_commander
 moveit_core
 moveit_ros_planning
 moveit_ros_planning_interface
 pluginlib
 cmake_modules)
find_package(Boost REQUIRED system filesystem date_time thread)
find_package(Eigen REQUIRED)
include_directories(SYSTEM ${Boost_INCLUDE_DIR} ${EIGEN_INCLUDE_DIRS})
include_directories(include ${catkin_INCLUDE_DIRS})
link_directories(${catkin_LIBRARY_DIRS})
catkin_package(
 CATKIN_DEPENDS
   moveit_core
   moveit_ros_planning_interface
)
add_executable(motion_planning src/moving.cpp)
target_link_libraries(motion_planning ${catkin_LIBRARIES}
    ${Boost_LIBRARIES})
```

#### Code 2.4: package.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<package>
 <name>motion_planning</name>
 <version>0.0.0
 <description>A package to use motion planning</description>
 <maintainer email="your@mail.mail">your_name</maintainer>
 <license>TODO</license>
 <buildtool_depend>catkin</buildtool_depend>
 <build_depend>roscpp</build_depend>
 <build_depend>pluginlib</build_depend>
 <build_depend>moveit_core</build_depend>
 <build_depend>moveit_ros_planning_interface</build_depend>
 <build_depend>moveit_ros_perception</build_depend>
 <build_depend>cmake_modules</build_depend>
 <run_depend>pluginlib</run_depend>
 <run_depend>moveit_core</run_depend>
```

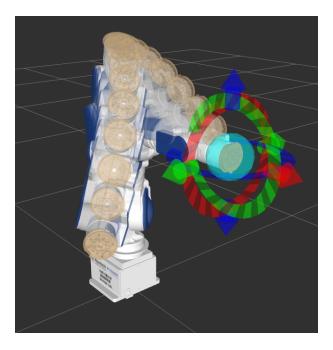


Figure 2.2: Yo

<run\_depend>moveit\_fake\_controller\_manager</run\_depend>
<run\_depend>moveit\_ros\_planning\_interface</run\_depend>
<run\_depend>moveit\_ros\_perception</run\_depend>
<run\_depend>roscpp</run\_depend>

#### </package>

So now everything have been done to use the script you wrote. First compile everything. Every time you will modify your C++ files you will need to compile again all your workspace. Once compile you will need to first launch the launch file that will initialize gazebo and rviz, it will also load the ompl library. When the launch file has been ran you can then run your script.

cd workspace
catkin\_make
source devel/setup.bash
roslaunch motion\_planning initialization.launch
rosrun motion\_planning motion\_planning

The result of this script could be seen in Figure 2.2. The figure shows a trail of the movement. You can activate it by clicking on the left panel to the *motion planning* line and then clicking on the *Show trail* box as it can be seen in the Figure 2.3.



Figure 2.3: Yo

# Motion planning

This chapter will focus on the motion planning part. You will learn how to select the motion planner you want (RRT, RRT\*, STOMP, CHOMP...), how to create a planning problem and how to solve it.

#### 3.1 GUI utilisation

We can directly use the GUI to solve some motion planning problems. Indeed, moveit has an interface in rviz. Using the GUI will be usefull when you want to quickly test your robot motion or a planning problem. It can also show how long it will last for the motion planner you selected to find a motion plan. However, when you will need to find precise plan (with exact coordinate for joints) or when you will want to generate a lot of trajectories it will be far easier to use scripts.

Using the GUI is really simple. First go to the *motion planning* tab and click on the *planning* tab after (figure 3.1). In this tab you can select your start state and your goal state. Initially the start state should be initialized with the current position of your robot which should be its home position. However, if it not the case you can initialize it yourself by clicking on the *select start state* tab and clicking on the *update* button (the current option should be selected) as shown in figure 3.2. You can see that you can choose other ways to initialize the start goal. For instance you can decide to select a random valid position or pre-determined position. The pre-determined position are generated with the moveit initialization procedure. If you use the motoman project it should have only two pre-determined position: the home position and the up position. As for the goal position, you can either do the same as the start position (selecting random position or pre-determined ones) or just use your mouse and move the robot through the light blue ball inside the gui (see figure 3.3).

When you have chosen your start and goal position you just need to click on the *plan* button to try to find a motion plan. If you click on *plan and execute* you will see your robot moving after having successfully found a plan.

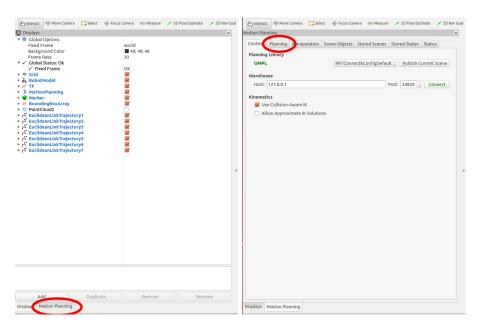


Figure 3.1: Clicking on motion planning, then planning.

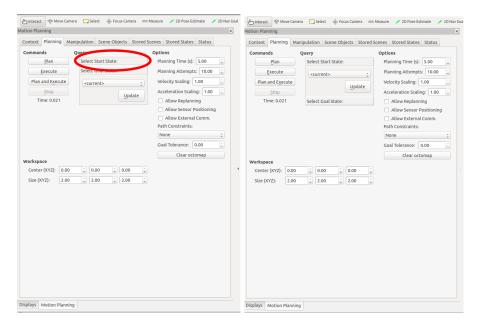


Figure 3.2: Clicking on select start state and then the update button.

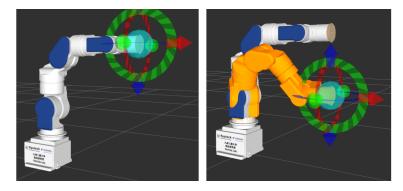


Figure 3.3: Changing the goal position by moving the end effector ball through the GUI.

If you are using the OMPL library you may want to change the motion planner, just click on the tab in the *Planning Library* section (see figure 3.4).

### 3.2 Simple script

In this section we review the script we used during chapter 2 to plan a motion between the home position to a specific position. We will describe the different parts of the code and in the following section we will build on this simple script. The script we used is the following one.

Code 3.1: moving.cpp

```
#include <moveit/move_group_interface/move_group.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    // Initialization of the ROS node
    ros::init(argc, argv, "moving_the_robot");

    // Initialization of moveit
    moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup group("arm");

    // Setting the start position
    group.setStartState(*group.getCurrentState());

    // Setting the goal position
    std::map<std::string, double> joints;

    joints["joint_s"] = -0.8;
    joints["joint_l"] = 0.2;
    joints["joint_e"] = 0.0;
    joints["joint_u"] = -0.4;
```

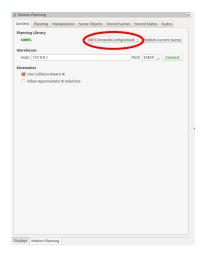


Figure 3.4: Changing the goal position by moving the end effector ball through the GUI.

```
joints["joint_r"] = 0.35;
joints["joint_b"] = 0.6;
joints["joint_t"] = 0.4;

group.setJointValueTarget(joints);

// Running the moveit planning
moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup::Plan result_plan;
group.plan(result_plan);

return 0;
}
```

The first important line is the creation of the object group. Moveit will do the interface between the motion planners and the robot but it needs to be initialized to know what robot (or what part of the robot) to work on. In our case the whole parts of the robot will be used and it has been named arm during the moveit initialization procedure, that is why we put it as an argument. Then we need to define the start and goal position for our planning problem. In this simple script we define the start position as the current position of the robot. Hence we need to get the current position of the robot with the method getCurrentState of our object group. For the goal position, we decided to define by ourself the exact position of all the joints of the robot and input it as the goal. To do it we first define a map data structure which will associate for each string (the name of the joint) a double (the joint value). The robot is a 7 degrees of freedom robot so there are 7 joints to give values to. Each joint has a name, you can see in figure 3.5 their position with their name. The setJointValueTarget

method of the object *group* is then the method to call to input the goal position from the previously created map. Eventually we need to call the *plan* method from the *group* object, but this method requires a *Plan* object as argument to store the solution (or nothing if no plan is found). It should be noted that the plan method returns a boolean indicating if a solution has been found or not.

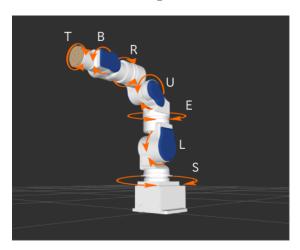


Figure 3.5: Name of the joints of the robot.

So this script was a really simple one to show the basis of a planning with the moveit library. In the following sections we will show how to add some obstacles in the environment, to change the motion planner and how to do a lot of planning.

## 3.3 Moving to a pose

Instead of specifying all the joint values it can be useful to just ask the endeffector to be at a defined pose (position and orientation). It is simple to do with moveit but be careful as your specified pose may not be possible to reach by the robot end-effector. The following code is the entire code to plan a motion to a pose goal.

#### Code 3.2: moving.cpp

```
#include <moveit/move_group_interface/move_group.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    // Initialization of the ROS node
    ros::init(argc, argv, "moving_the_robot");

    // Initialization of moveit
    moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup group("arm");
```

```
// Setting the start position
group.setStartState(*group.getCurrentState());

// Setting the goal position
geometry_msgs::Pose target;
target.orientation.w = 1.0;
target.position.x = 0.6;
target.position.y = -0.1;
target.position.z = 0.42;
group.setPoseTarget(target);

// Running the moveit planning
moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup::Plan result_plan;
group.plan(result_plan);

return 0;
}
```

You can see that the only part that changed was the goal state definition compared to the simple script. We first create a *Pose* object and then set its attributes. Finally we inform moveit by using the *setPoseTarget* method.

However be careful! If you want to use the STOMP planner you cannot only specify a pose, you will need to transform it to joint space. You can do it by adding the following code.

```
robot_state::RobotState robot_state_goal(*group.getCurrentState());
std::map<std::string, double> joints;
joints["joint_s"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_s");
joints["joint_l"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_l");
joints["joint_e"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_e");
joints["joint_u"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_u");
joints["joint_r"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_r");
joints["joint_b"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_b");
joints["joint_t"] = robot_state_goal.getVariablePosition("joint_t");
group.setJointValueTarget(joints);
```

## 3.4 Changing the start state

Sometimes it can be useful to change the start state instead of the goal state (or you can change both!). In this case there are two ways to do it. You can either specify a pose and use inverse kinematics to find the joint values like in the following code.

```
robot_state::RobotState robot_state_start(*group.getCurrentState());
geometry_msgs::Pose start_pose;
```

```
start_pose.orientation.w = 1.0;
start_pose.orientation.w = 1.0;
start_pose.position.x = 0.45;
start_pose.position.y = 0.1;
start_pose.position.z = 0.65;

const robot_state::JointModelGroup *joint_model_group = robot_state_start.getJointModelGroup(group.getName());

robot_state_start.setFromIK(joint_model_group, start_pose);
group.setStartState(robot_state_start);
```

Or you can directly change the joint values by using the next code.

```
robot_state::RobotState robot_state_start(*group.getCurrentState());
std::vector<double> start_joints(7);
for(int i=0;i<7;i++) {
    start_joints[i]=0.2;
}
robot_state_start.setVariablePositions(start_joints);
group.setStartState(robot_state_start);</pre>
```

## 3.5 Moving to a random pose

Sometimes it could be useful to ask the robot to go to a random pose. In moveit it is easy to do it and the answer will be a reachable pose (not a pose with collisions or out of the reach of the robot). You just need to add the following line.

```
group.setRandomTarget();
```

However, even if asking for a random target is easy it is rather difficult to do a random start (will explain in future version of this manual).

## 3.6 Changing motion planner

If you want to use an other motion planner than the default one you can do it quite easily! If the motion planner you want to use is inside OMPL then you simply need to use the method setPlannerId with the name of the planner for attribute. For instance, if you want to use the TRRT motion planner just add the following line.

```
group.setPlannerId("TRRTkConfigDefault");
```

Here is the list of planner's name you can use :

- SBLkConfigDefault
- ESTkConfigDefault
- LBKPIECEkConfigDefault
- BKPIECEkConfigDefault
- KPIECEkConfigDefault
- $\bullet$  RRTkConfigDefault
- RRTConnectkConfigDefault
- RRTstarkConfigDefault
- TRRTkConfigDefault
- PRMkConfigDefault
- PRMstarkConfigDefault

If you want to use the STOMP planner you cannot use the method setPlannerId, instead you will need to modify the launch file. You will need to put stomp inside the  $planning\_config$  argument, false for the  $use\_ompl$  argument and true for the  $use\_stomp$  argument like the following.

```
<!-- Choose planner [ompl|chomp|stomp] -->
<arg name="planning_config" default="stomp"/>
<!-- If you choose ompl, "use_ompl" is true. -->
<arg name="use_ompl" default="false"/>
<!-- If you choose stomp, "use_stomp" is true. -->
<arg name="use_stomp" default="true"/>
```

## 3.7 Adding an obstacle

#### 3.7.1 A simple box

The previous scripts we have shown are a bit boring without any obstacle. In this section we will explain how to add an obstacle which will be visible in Rviz. First you will need to include the planning\_scene\_interface.h file and create a PlanningSceneInterface object. This object will be used to add obstacle in the moveit environment. Then you will need to create a vector which will contain all the obstacles you want to add. An obstacle is a CollisionObject object, it will need a unique to be identified. In this simple example we choose to add a box as obstacle, you should then first define its dimensions. When the shape of the obstacle has been defined (in this case a box) you will need to define its pose

in the environment. In this example we only choose its (x, y, z) coordinates but you can also choose its orientation. Once it has been done you can simply use the  $push\_back$  method of the obstacle to add its primitive and pose information. Finally you should add the obstacle to the vector previously created and update the  $planning\_scene$ . The following code illustrate all of this. Note that the goal position has been changed to show that the robot needs to avoid the newly add obstacle.

Code 3.3: moving.cpp

```
#include <moveit/move_group_interface/move_group.h>
#include <moveit/planning_scene_interface/planning_scene_interface.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
 // Initialization of the ROS node
 ros::init(argc, argv, "moving_the_robot");
 // Initialization of moveit
 moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup group("arm");
 // Setting the start position
 group.setStartState(*group.getCurrentState());
 // Setting the goal position
 std::map<std::string, double> joints;
 joints["joint_s"] = 0.12;
 joints["joint_l"] = -0.11;
 joints["joint_e"] = -0.17;
 joints["joint_u"] = -1.49;
 joints["joint_r"] = 0.18;
 joints["joint_b"] = 1.35;
 joints["joint_t"] = -0.42;
 group.setJointValueTarget(joints);
 // Adding obstacle
 moveit::planning_interface::PlanningSceneInterface planning_scene;
 std::vector<moveit_msgs::CollisionObject> collision_objects;
 moveit_msgs::CollisionObject obstacle;
 obstacle.header.frame_id = group.getPlanningFrame();
 sleep(5.0);
 // The id of the object is used to identify it.
 obstacle.id = "obstacle";
 // Define a box to add to the world.
 shape_msgs::SolidPrimitive primitive;
 primitive.type = primitive.BOX;
```

```
primitive.dimensions.resize(3);
 primitive.dimensions[0] = 0.4;
 primitive.dimensions[1] = 0.3;
 primitive.dimensions[2] = 0.05;
 // A pose for the box (specified relative to frame_id)
 geometry_msgs::Pose obstacle_pose;
 obstacle_pose.orientation.w = 1.0;
  obstacle_pose.position.x = 0.45;
 obstacle_pose.position.y = 0.0;
  obstacle_pose.position.z = 0.45;
 obstacle.primitives.push_back(primitive);
  obstacle.primitive_poses.push_back(obstacle_pose);
  obstacle.operation = obstacle.ADD;
  collision_objects.push_back(obstacle);
 planning_scene.addCollisionObjects(collision_objects);
 // Running the moveit planning
 moveit::planning_interface::MoveGroup::Plan result_plan;
 group.plan(result_plan);
 return 0;
}
```

#### 3.7.2 Other primitives

Sometimes you will not want to have obstacle with the shape of a box, you can for example have a bottle near your robot that would be better described as a cylinder rather than a box. Moveit gives you in four basic shapes: box, sphere, cylinder and cone. However you can also add a more complicated primitive by using meshes. When you want to use another primitive than the box you will only need to change the primitive part of the code, there is no need to change the position and orientation part.

If you want to use a sphere you will need first to resize the dimension of your primitive to 1. Indeed, a sphere is entirely described by its radius, so there is only 1 parameter required. The following code shows how to change the box to a sphere with a 0.04m radius .

```
shape_msgs::SolidPrimitive primitive;
primitive.type = primitive.SPHERE;
primitive.dimensions.resize(1);
primitive.dimensions[0] = 0.04; // radius
```

If you prefer a cylinder, it is almost the same except that you will need two parameters : one for the height and one for the radius.

```
shape_msgs::SolidPrimitive primitive;
primitive.type = primitive.CYLINDER;
primitive.dimensions.resize(2);
primitive.dimensions[0] = 0.04; // height
primitive.dimensions[1] = 0.2; // radius
```

Finally, if you want a cone you will also need two parameters : one for the height and one for the radius of the base.

```
shape_msgs::SolidPrimitive primitive;
primitive.type = primitive.CONE;
primitive.dimensions.resize(2);
primitive.dimensions[0] = 0.04; // height
primitive.dimensions[1] = 0.2; // radius
```

## Real robot

In this chapter we will learn how to manipulate the real robot instead of only the simulation. Remember that using the robot could be dangerous for you and the other lab members! Besides, you need to be careful and prevent it to make damage (to the cable or to its surroundings).

### 4.1 Connecting to the robot

The first thing you will need to do is to turn on the power. You need to enter the robot workspace but please check first that the emergency button of the control pendant is down. At the bottom of the robot there is a green button, switch it on. Normally you will be able to hear the robot turning on. Come back to the desktop and close the door to prevent any injuries.

Now take the teaching pendant, the key must be in the *teach* position. Instructions will appear, just follow them. When you have access to the different menus choose the *job* menu. Then click on the *sentaku* tab. You will have access to many nodes, choose the one in the bottom named "init\_ros" (you can use the arrow button to do it). Once this is done switch the key to the *play* position and release the emergency button. Now you should grip the button behind the teaching pendant and in the same time click on *servo on ready*, if everything is fine the button will become green. Then push the *start* button, put the key to the *remote* position and push down the emergency button.

You will need to use the computer from now. Turn it on and open some terminals (for this simple test you will only need three of them). In the different terminals launch the following commands.

#### roslaunch

motoman\_control\_sia5\_with\_dhand\_and\_multi\_kinect\_streaming.launch
roslaunch motoman\_control sia5\_real\_control.launch
roslaunch motoman\_moevit sia5\_with\_dhand\_moveit\_planning\_execution.launch

If it works you will receive the "All is well, everybody is happy" message. Besides you will see in Rviz the moveit ball that allow you to move the robot. Congratulation, you have connected the robot to ROS!

### 4.2 Moving the robot

In this section we will see how to move the robot. Please remind that it can be dangerous for humans so be careful.

Go to the motion planning tab and choose the scene object tab. Click on import from text and choose a scene inside

Workspace/ros/motoman\_ws/src/motoman\_project/motoman\_moveit/scene

For example exhibition 2016.scene is a good modelisation of the experiment room. When it is done you should be able to see new objects in the view. Go to the *context* tab and click on *publish current scene*.

Now grab the teaching pendant and release the emergency button. ALWAYS keep the teaching pendant near yourself. If you see anything that could be dangerous for your or the robot then push the emergency button. It will instantly stop the robot.

On the computer move the moveit ball wherever you want, you can move the arrow to ask the robot to "spin" around the goal position. Now go to the *motion planning* tab and click on the start button. Select the *current* button and click on the *update* button. Now you can do *Plan and Execute* but we recommend to only plan first so click on the *Plan* button. If a plan has been found you should normally be able to watch it in Rviz. If you think the trajectory will not be dangerous (not too much torsion for the cable, not eating the door...) then you can click on the *execution* button with the teaching pendant near yourself. When the robot has moved you should then push the emergency button for safety (and release it every time you need to move the robot again).

Some tips:

- If you want to come back to the home position just select *goal state* in the *motion planning* tab and click on *default* and *update*. Do not forget to update the start position to the current position also.
- If everything is working well you should be able to see some informations about the planner being used. For example you can see how much time it has taken to find a new plan.

## 4.3 Turning off the robot

When you have finished your experiment you will need to turn off the robot. Just do Ctrl+C on the different terminal to close everything on the computer. Push down the emergency button and enter the robot workspace. Then shut down the power.

## Kinect

In this chapter we will learn how to use the Kinect and create script to gather the data they collect in real time.

#### 5.1 Connecting to the Kinects

Every Kinect has its own computer so you should first turn on all the computers you will need. After that you will have to connect the kinect to the main computer (the one you use to control motoman). All the computers are linked by ethernet cable so you can easily ssh into all of them. We have created a special function to connect automatically by ssh to an other computer, you just need to type ch1, ch2 or ch3 in a terminal.

When connected you will need to have administrator access. After obtaining it you will need to source multiple files to make the connection possible. Finally you will need to connect it to the local network with the *rosaddress* command.

```
sudo su
source /opt/ros/indigo/setup.bash
source .rosaddress.bash
source Workspace/motoman_ws/devel/setup.bash
rosaddress client 192.168.12.100
```

Now you will need to have roscore running to launch the Kinect node. So just type *roscore* in a terminal. When it is done you can come back to the kinect terminal and launch the following launch file.

```
roslaunch kinect2_bridge kinect2_bridge.launch base_name:=kinect_first
```

Be careful, you will need to change the name of the kinect depending on the kinect you are using. If you connect to the first kinect computer and write kinect\_second as name it will not work. The three kinects have the following name: kinect\_first, kinect\_second and kinect\_middle.

## 5.2 Seeing with Kinect eyes

Now that you have connected the Kinect you can easily get their informations. A simple way to do it is to launch *rviz*. In the software clic on the *add* button, in the second tab (by topic) you will normally see a lot of kinect topic (see figure ). You can for example choose the hd section with the image\_color topic. When added you will normally see the experiment table and a part of the motoman robot!