

Robot Operating System (ROS2)

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2. <https://docs.ros.org/en/jazzy/Tutorials.html>

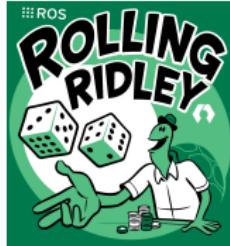
Middleware for robotics

Robot applications → Performing tasks in the real world



Middlewares for Robotics

- ▶ Yarp (humanoid robots)
- ▶ Carmen
- ▶ Player/Stage
- ▶ ROS



ROS2 Distributions

Eloquent Eulor	November 22nd, 2019		November 2020
Dashing Diademata	May 31st, 2019		May 2021
Crystal Clemmys	December 14th, 2018		December 2019
Bouncy Bolson	July 2nd, 2018		July 2019
Ardent Apalone	December 8th, 2017		December 2018

Distro	Release date	Logo	EOL date
Jazzy Jellies	May 23rd, 2024		May 2029
Iron Irwin	May 23rd, 2023		November 2024
Humble Hawksbill	May 23rd, 2022		May 2027
Galactic Geochelone	May 23rd, 2021		December 9th, 2022
Foxy Fitzroy	June 5th, 2020		June 20th, 2023

Latest Distribution

- ▶ Jazzy Jalisco
 - ▶ Ubuntu Linux - Noble Numbat (24.04)
 - ▶ Windows 10
 - ▶ RHEL/Fedora
 - ▶ macOS
 - ▶ Debian Bookworm

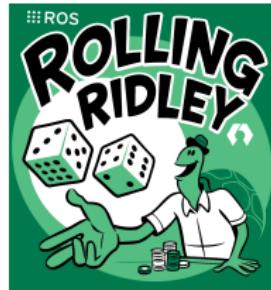


Upcoming Distribution

- ▶ There is a new ROS 2 distribution released yearly on May 23rd (World Turtle Day).
- ▶ Kilted Kaiju in May 2025

Distro	Release date	Logo	EOL date
Kilted Kaiju	May 2025	TBD	Nov 2026

- ▶ Rolling Ridley



What is ROS?

The Robot Operating System (ROS) is a set of software libraries (state-of-the-art algorithms), methodologies and tools for building robot applications.

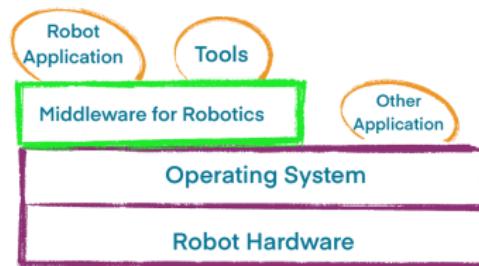


Image adapted from the book *Introduction to Robot Programming With Ros2*

Why ROS?

- ▶ Free and Open Source
- ▶ Huge community of highly qualified roboticists

Why ROS?

- ▶ Modular Architecture
- ▶ Allows to quickly build and easily connect the main robotic components:
 - ▶ Actuators
 - ▶ Sensors
 - ▶ Control Systems
- ▶ microRos for real time OS

Why ROS?

- ▶ Tools for monitoring
 - ▶ Logs for testing
 - ▶ Training
 - ▶ Quality Assurance
- ▶ Simulated environment and Visualisation Tools

Planes of study

- ▶ The Community
- ▶ The workspace (static/ development time)
- ▶ The computational Graph (dynamic/ runtime)

ROS Community

- ▶ Public repositories
- ▶ Development methodology
- ▶ Software delivery mechanisms
- ▶ Open Robotics
 - ▶ <https://www.ros.org>
 - ▶ <https://docs.ros.org/en/jazzy/index.html>
 - ▶ <https://robotics.stackexchange.com/>
- ▶ ROSCon
 - ▶ Annual ROS developer conference
 - ▶ Regional ROS events like ROSConJP and ROSConFr

Workspaces

Combining workspaces using the shell environment

- ▶ Advantages:
 - ▶ different distros
 - ▶ different versions of packages

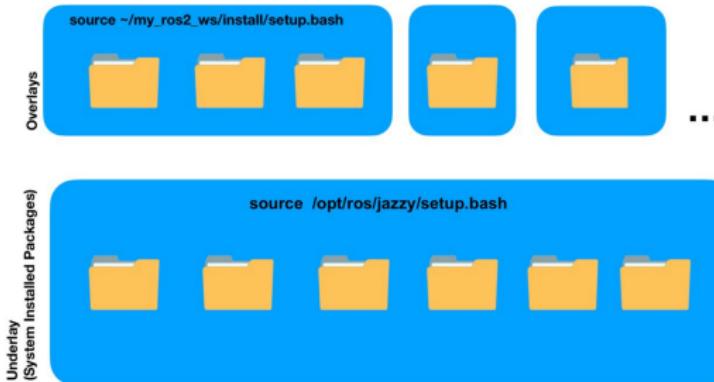
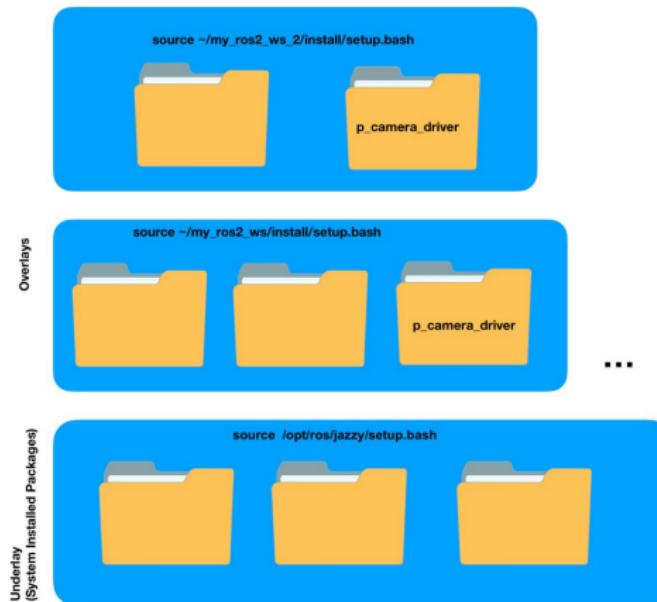


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Example Workspaces



ROS Graph

- ▶ The computational Graph (dynamic/ runtime)
 - ▶ Nodes
 - ▶ Links:
 - ▶ Topics
 - ▶ Services
 - ▶ Actions

Nodes

- ▶ Fundamental ROS element that is responsible for a single, modular purpose in a robotic system.
- ▶ Each node sends and receives data from other nodes
- ▶ A single executable (ex. python file) can contain one or more nodes

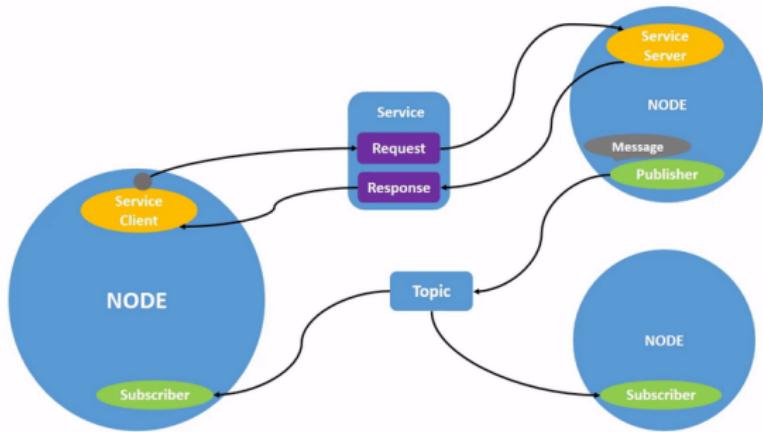


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- ▶ Asynchronous way of transporting messages
- ▶ Subscriber and Publisher

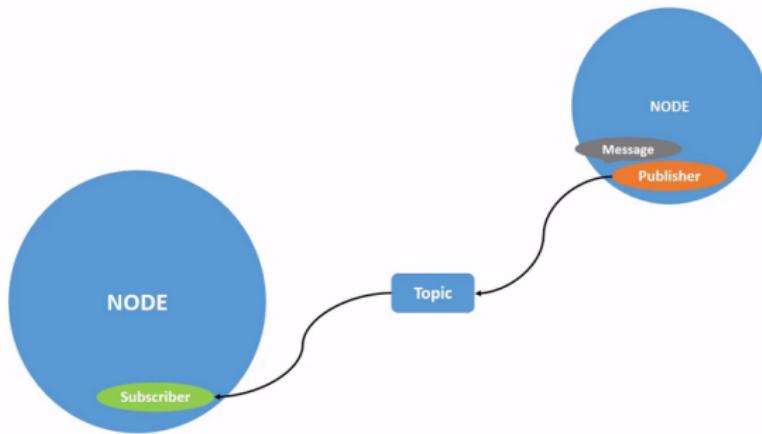


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- ▶ A node may publish data to any number of topics and simultaneously have subscriptions to any number of topics.

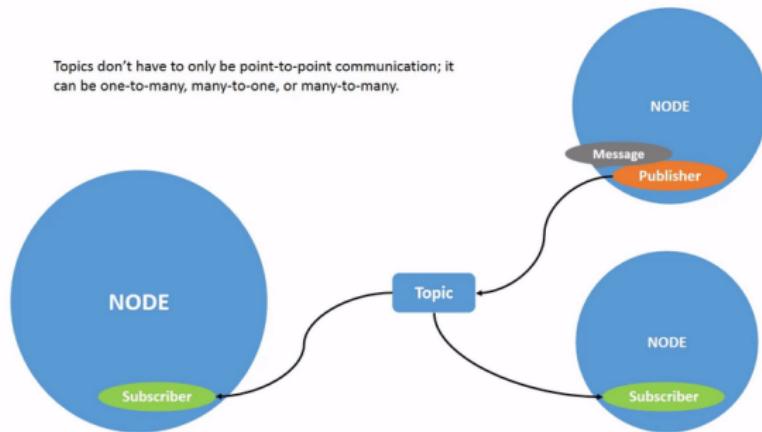
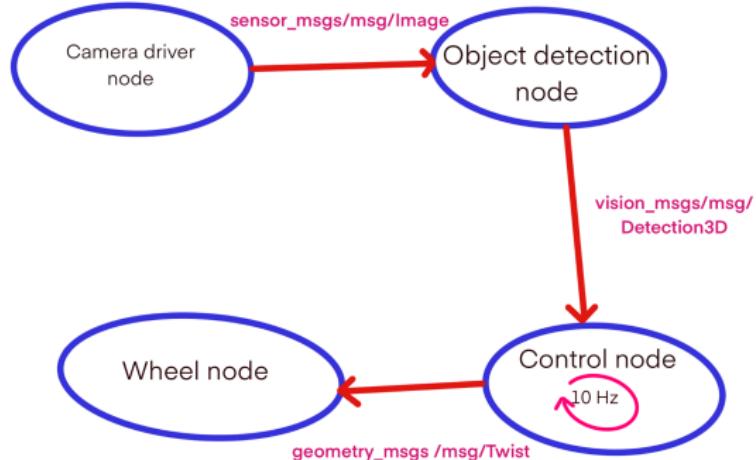


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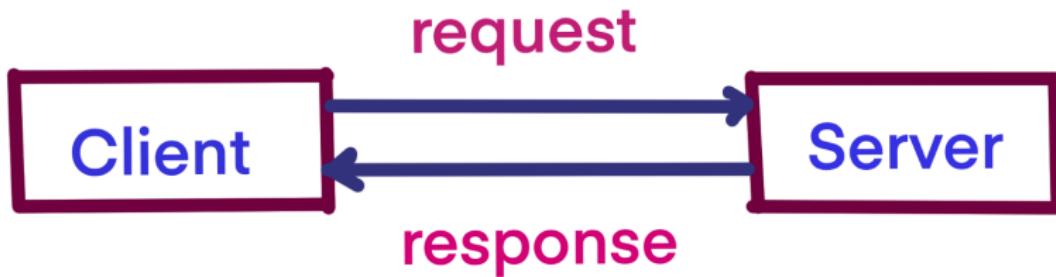
- ▶ Node execution modes
 - ▶ Iterative execution
 - ▶ Event-oriented execution
- ▶ Message types



Messages in ROS

- ▶ The names of the resources in ROS follow a convention very similar to the file system in Unix (ex. /turtle1/cmd_vel)
- ▶ namespaces to isolate resources
- ▶ predefined message types (geometry_msgs/msg/Twist - virtually all robots in ROS2 receive these types of messages to control their speed)
- ▶ We can define our own message types in ROS

- ▶ Call-and-response model
- ▶ Services only provide data when they are specifically called by a client (Synchronous way of communication).



There can be many service clients using the same service. But there can only be one service server for a service.

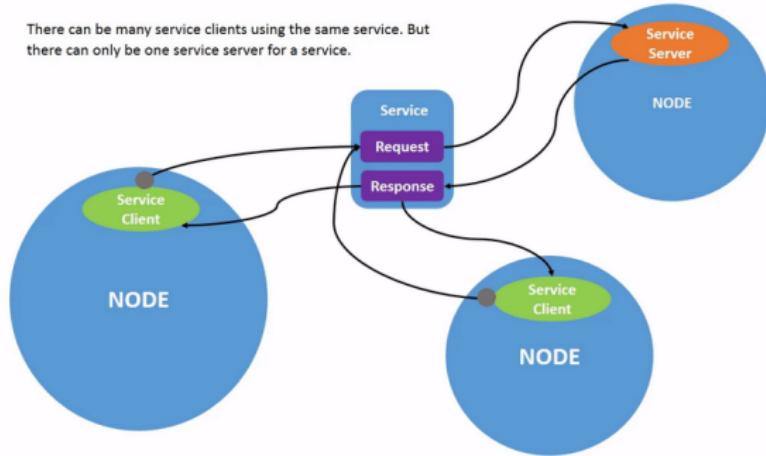
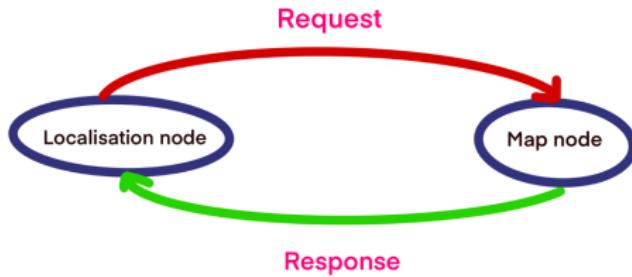


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- ▶ The call to reset a map with a response if the call succeeded



- ▶ Actions are like services that allow you to execute long running tasks (like navigation), provide regular feedback, and can be canceled.
- ▶ They consist of three parts:
 - ▶ A goal
 - ▶ Feedback
 - ▶ A result
- ▶ Actions are built on topics and services.
- ▶ An “action client” node sends a goal to an “action server” node that acknowledges the goal and returns a stream of feedback and a result.

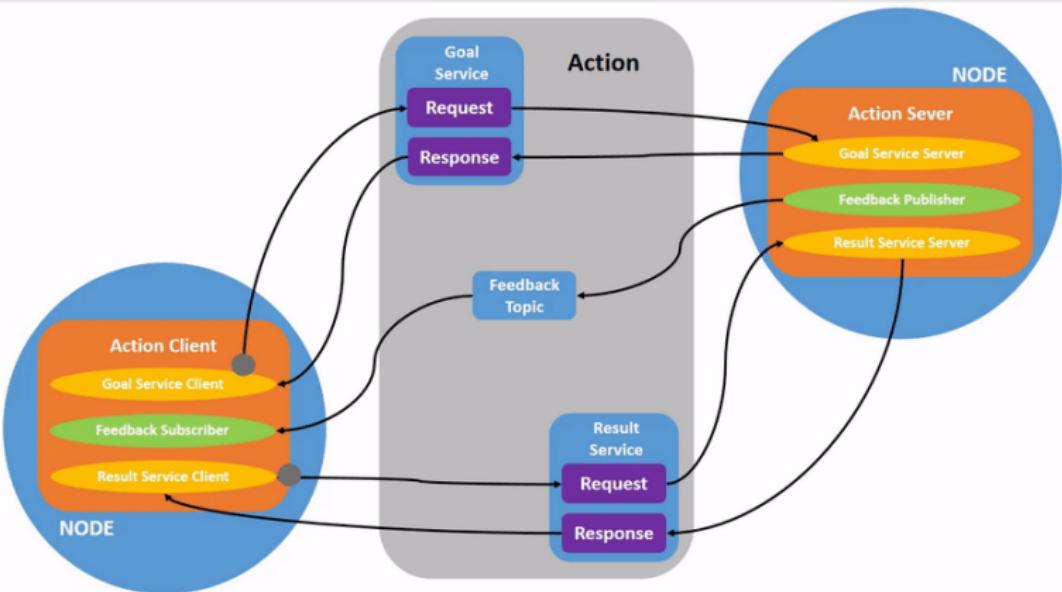
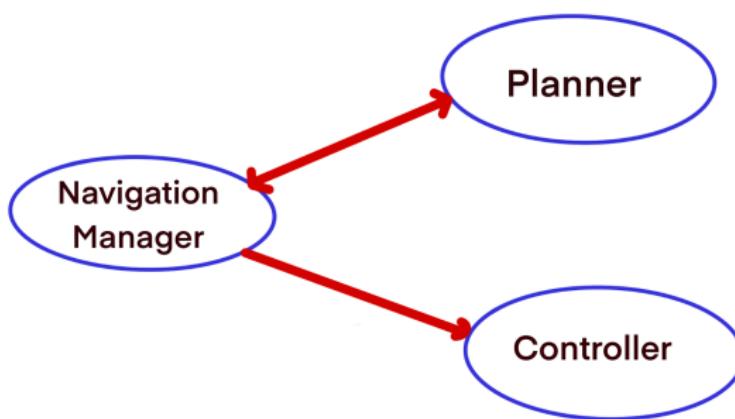


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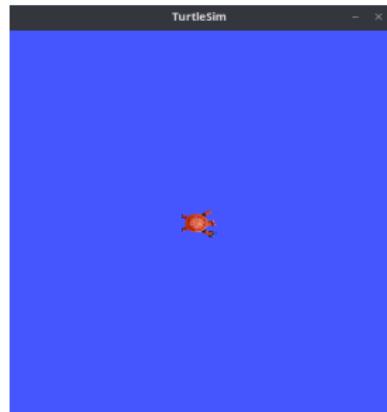
- ▶ A navigation request



Turtlesim and the ros command line tool

- ▶ A lightweight simulator for learning ROS2
- ▶ The ros2 command line tool is how the user manages, introspects, and interacts with a ROS System.

```
$ sudo apt install ros-jazzy-turtlesim
$ ros2 run turtlesim turtlesim_node
```



Ros command line tool

```
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 node list
/turtlesim
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 topic list
/parameter_events
/rosout
/turtle1/cmd_vel
/turtle1/color_sensor
/turtle1/pose
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 topic info /turtle1/cmd_vel
Type: geometry_msgs/msg/Twist
Publisher count: 0
Subscription count: 1
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 interface show geometry_msgs/msg/Twist
# This expresses velocity in free space broken into its linear and angular parts.

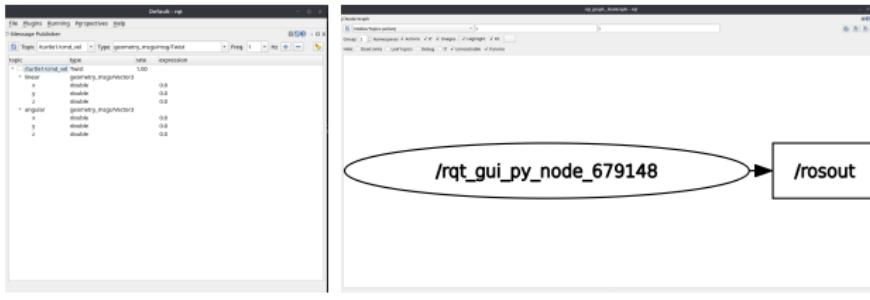
Vector3 linear
    float64 x
    float64 y
    float64 z
Vector3 angular
    float64 x
    float64 y
    float64 z
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ █
```



rqt

- ▶ rqt is a graphical user interface (GUI) tool for ROS 2
 - ▶ Everything done in rqt can be done on the command line

```
1 $ sudo apt update  
2 $ sudo apt install ~nros-jazzy-rqt*  
3 $ rqt  
4 $ rqt_graph
```



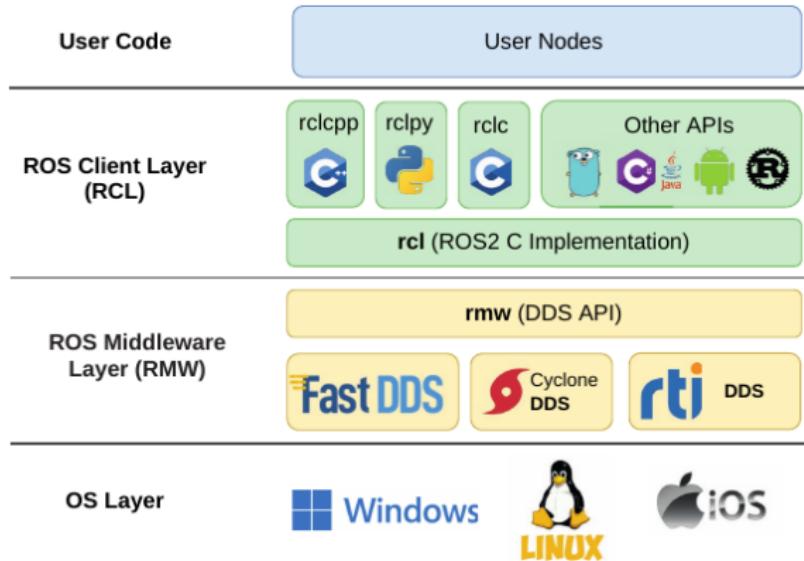
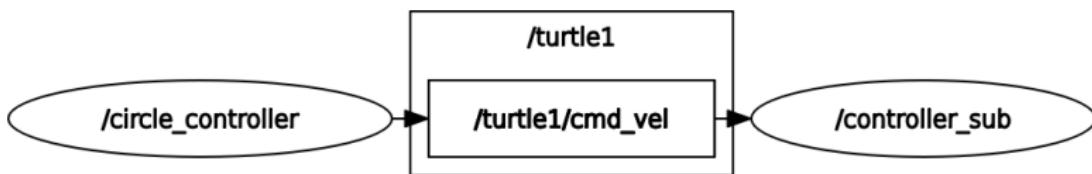


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- ▶ The goal is to send velocity commands in order to move in a circle



- ▶ A package contains executables, libraries, or message definitions with a common purpose.
- ▶ colcon = collective construction is a command line tool for building, testing, and using multiple software packages.

- ▶ Source the setup file or add the command to your shell startup script:

```
$ source /opt/ros/jazzy/setup.bash
$ echo "source /opt/ros/jazzy/setup.bash" >> ~/.bashrc
```

- ▶ Create a workspace and a package

```
1 $ mkdir -p ~/ros2_ws/src
2 $ cd ~/ros2_ws/src
3 $ ros2 pkg create --build-type ament_python --node-name \
   circle_controller p_controller --license Apache-2.0
4 $ colcon build --packages-select p_controller
5 $ source install/local_setup.bash
```



```
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ cd p_controller/
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws/p_controller$ ll
total 32
drwxrwxr-x 5 vilma vilma 4096 nov. 5 20:26 .
drwxrwxr-x 7 vilma vilma 4096 nov. 5 20:26 ..
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vilma vilma 633 nov. 5 20:26 package.xml
drwxrwxr-x 2 vilma vilma 4096 nov. 5 20:26 p_controller/
drwxrwxr-x 2 vilma vilma 4096 nov. 5 20:26 resource/
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vilma vilma 93 nov. 5 20:26 setup.cfg
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vilma vilma 725 nov. 5 20:26 setup.py
drwxrwxr-x 2 vilma vilma 4096 nov. 5 20:26 test/
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571: ~/ros2_ws/p_controller$
```

- ▶ package.xml - file containing meta information about the package
- ▶ package_name - a directory with the same name as your package, used by ROS 2 tools to find your package, contains __init__.py
- ▶ resource/package_name marker file for the package
- ▶ setup.cfg - required when a package has executables, so ros2 run can find them
- ▶ setup.py - containing instructions for how to install the package

Customize package.xml

► Description, License, Maintainer

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<?xml-model href="http://download.ros.org/schema/package_format3.xsd" schematypens="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"?>
<package format="3">
  <name>p_controller</name>
  <version>0.0.0</version>
  <description>TODO: Package description</description>
  <maintainer email="vilma.muco@exail.com">vilma</maintainer>
  <license>TODO: License declaration</license>

  <test_depend>ament_copyright</test_depend>
  <test_depend>ament_flake8</test_depend>
  <test_depend>ament_pep257</test_depend>
  <test_depend>python3-pytest</test_depend>

  <export>
    <build_type>ament_python</build_type>
  </export>
</package>
```

Customize setup.py

- ▶ Same description, maintainer and license fields as package.xml
- ▶ The version and name (`package_name`) also need to **match exactly**

```
from setuptools import find_packages, setup
package_name = 'p_controller'

setup(
    name=package_name,
    version='0.0.0',
    packages=find_packages(exclude=['test']),
    data_files=[
        ('share/ament_index/resource_index/packages',
         ['resource/' + package_name]),
        ('share/' + package_name, ['package.xml']),
    ],
    install_requires=['setuptools'],
    zip_safe=True,
    maintainer='Vilma Muço',
    maintainer_email='vilma.muco@exail.com',
    description='TODO: Package description',
    license='Apache License 2.0',
    tests_require=['pytest'],
    entry_points={
        'console_scripts': [
            'circle_controller = p_controller.circle_controller:main'
        ],
    },
)
```



Publisher python code

```
1 import rclpy
2 from rclpy.node import Node
3 from geometry_msgs.msg import Twist
4
5
6 class CircleController(Node):
7     def __init__(self):
8         super().__init__('circle_controller')
9         self.publisher_ = self.create_publisher(Twist, 'turtle1/cmd_vel', 10)
10        timer_period = 0.1 # seconds
11        self.timer = self.create_timer(timer_period, self.timer_callback)
12
13    def timer_callback(self):
14        vel = Twist()
15        vel.linear.x = 2.0 # linear velocity = radius * angular velocity
16        vel.linear.y = 0.0
17        vel.linear.z = 0.0
18        vel.angular.x = 0.0
19        vel.angular.y = 0.0
20        vel.angular.z = 1.0
21        self.publisher_.publish(vel)
22
23
24    def main(args=None):
25        rclpy.init(args=args)
26
27        circleController = CircleController()
28
29        rclpy.spin(circleController)
30
31        # Destroy the node explicitly
32        # (optional - otherwise it will be done automatically
33        # when the garbage collector destroys the node object)
34        circleController.destroy_node()
35        rclpy.shutdown()
36
37
38    if __name__ == '__main__':
39        main()
```

Code Analysis

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1 import rclpy
2 from rclpy.node import Node
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12    rclpy.shutdown()
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Code Analysis

► Add dependencies

```
▶ package.xml
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2  <?xml-model href="http://download.ros.org/schema/package_format3.xsd" schematypens="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"?>
3  <package format="3">
4      <name>p_controller</name>
5      <version>0.0.0</version>
6      <description>TODO: Package description</description>
7      <maintainer email="vilma.muco@exail.com">vilma</maintainer>
8      <license>Apache License 2.0</license>
9
10     <test_depend>ament_copyright</test_depend>
11     <test_depend>ament_flake8</test_depend>
12     <test_depend>ament_pep257</test_depend>
13     <test_depend>python3-pytest</test_depend>
14     <exec_depend>rclpy</exec_depend>
15     <exec_depend>std_msgs</exec_depend>
16
17     <export>
18         <build_type>ament_python</build_type>
19     </export>
20 </package>
21
```

Code Analysis

► Add entry point

```
setup.py > ...
1  from setuptools import find_packages, setup
2
3  package_name = 'p_controller'
4
5  setup(
6      name=package_name,
7      version='0.0.0',
8      packages=find_packages(exclude=['test']),
9      data_files=[
10          ('share/ament_index/resource_index/packages',
11           ['resource/' + package_name]),
12          ('share/' + package_name, ['package.xml']),
13      ],
14      install_requires=['setuptools'],
15      zip_safe=True,
16      maintainer='vilma',
17      maintainer_email='vilma.muco@exail.com',
18      description='TODO: Package description',
19      license='Apache License 2.0',
20      tests_require=['pytest'],
21      entry_points={
22          'console_scripts': [
23              'circle_controller = p_controller.circle_controller:main'
24          ],
25      },
26  )
```

Create a subscriber node

- ▶ Create the controller_subscriber.py file in the same folder as the circle_controller.py

```
1 import rclpy
2 from rclpy.node import Node
3 from geometry_msgs.msg import Twist
4
5 class ControllerSub(Node):
6     def __init__(self):
7         super().__init__('controller_sub')
8         self.subscription = self.create_subscription(
9             Twist,
10             'turtle1/cmd_vel',
11             self.listener_callback,
12             10)
13         self.subscription # prevent unused variable warning
14
15     def listener_callback(self, msg):
16         self.get_logger().info('x linear velocity = "%s"' % msg.linear.x)
17         self.get_logger().info('z angular velocity = "%s"' % msg.angular.z)
18
19     def main(args=None):
20         rclpy.init(args=args)
21
22         controller_sub = ControllerSub()
23
24         rclpy.spin(controller_sub)
25
26         controller_sub.destroy_node()
27         rclpy.shutdown()
28
29     if __name__ == '__main__':
30         main()
```

Subscriber Code Analysis

```
1 import rclpy
2 from rclpy.node import Node
3 from geometry_msgs.msg import Twist
4
5 class ControllerSub(Node):
6     def __init__(self):
7         super().__init__('controller_sub')
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14     def listener_callback(self, msg):
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17
```



Subscriber Code Analysis

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1 def main(args=None):
2     rclpy.init(args=args)
3     controller_sub = ControllerSub()
4
5     rclpy.spin(controller_sub)
6
7     controller_sub.destroy_node()
8     rclpy.shutdown()
9
10 if __name__ == '__main__':
11     main()
```

Subscriber Code Analysis

- ▶ Add dependencies
- ▶ Add entry point (line 24)

```
1  from setuptools import find_packages, setup
2
3  package_name = 'p_controller'
4
5  setup(
6      name=package_name,
7      version='0.0.0',
8      packages=find_packages(exclude=['test']),
9      data_files=[
10          ('share/ament_index/resource_index/packages',
11           ['resource/' + package_name]),
12          ('share/' + package_name, ['package.xml']),
13      ],
14      install_requires=['setuptools'],
15      zip_safe=True,
16      maintainer='vilma',
17      maintainer_email='vilma.muco@exail.com',
18      description='TODO: Package description',
19      license='Apache License 2.0',
20      tests_require=['pytest'],
21      entry_points={
22          'console_scripts': [
23              'circle_controller = p_controller.circle_controller:main',
24              'controller_sub = p_controller.controller_subscriber:main',
25          ],
26      },
27  )
```

Build and run

- ▶ Run in different terminals the publisher and subscriber

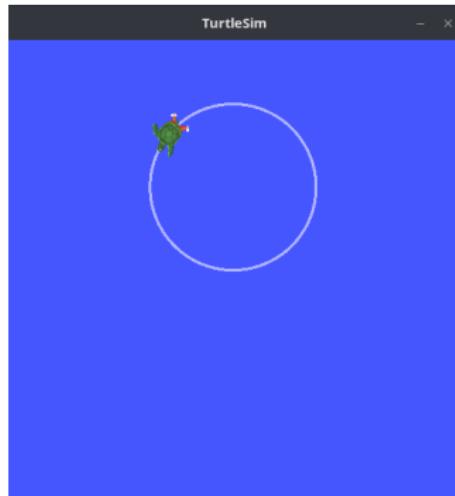
```
1 $ colcon build --packages-select p_controller
2 $ source install/setup.bash
3 $ ros2 run p_controller circle_controller
4 $ ros2 run p_controller controller_sub
```

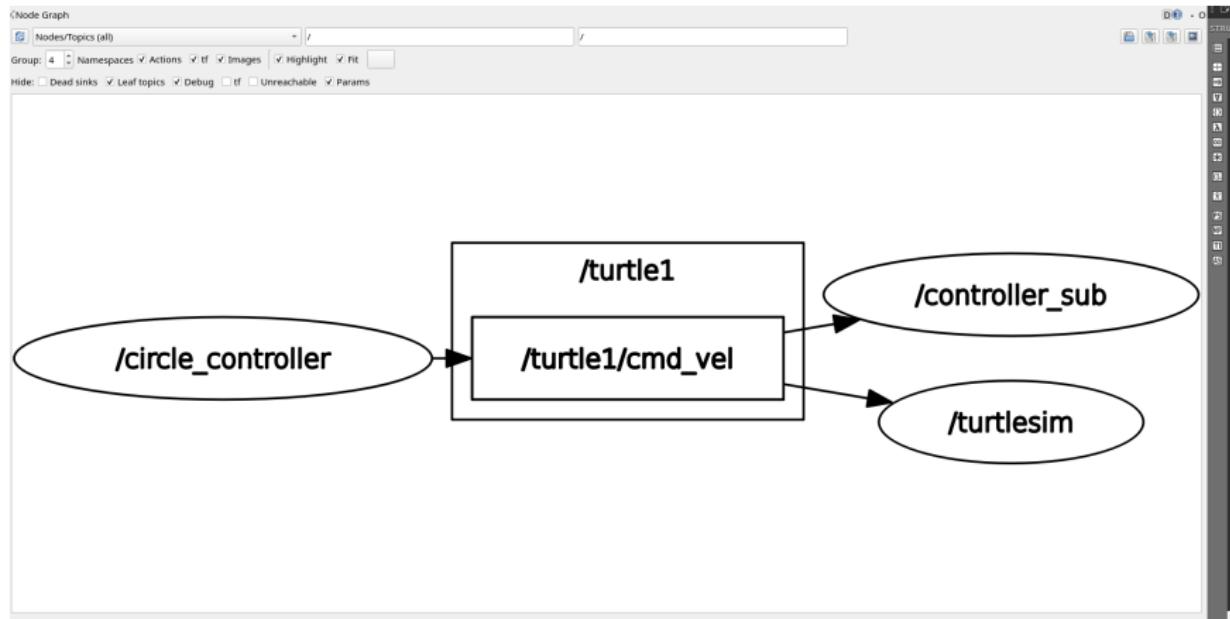
```
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ colcon build --packages-select p_controller
Starting >> p_controller
Finished <<< p_controller [0.47s]

Summary: 1 package finished [0.56s]
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ source install/setup.bash
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 run p_controller circle_controller
 vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ source install/setup.bash
 vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 run p_controller controller_sub
[INFO] [1699286368.171228256] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.171394386] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.266327448] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.266923092] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.366644594] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.366560007] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
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[INFO] [1699286368.467171654] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.565943103] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.566630277] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.666639875] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
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[INFO] [1699286368.867304074] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.966195584] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286368.966195584] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
[INFO] [1699286369.066508572] [controller_sub]: x linear velocity = "2.0"
[INFO] [1699286369.067308092] [controller_sub]: z angular velocity = "1.0"
```



► Run Turtlesim and rqt_graph





```
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 topic list
/parameter_events
/rosout
/turtle1/cmd_vel
/turtle1/color_sensor
/turtle1/pose
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 topic info /turtle1/cmd_vel
Type: geometry_msgs/msg/Twist
Publisher count: 1
Subscription count: 2
vilma@vilma-Precision-3571:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 topic echo /turtle1/cmd_vel
linear:
  x: 2.0
  y: 0.0
  z: 0.0
angular:
  x: 0.0
  y: 0.0
  z: 1.0
---
linear:
  x: 2.0
  y: 0.0
  z: 0.0
angular:
  x: 0.0
  y: 0.0
  z: 1.0
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---
```



- ▶ Launch files allow you to start up and configure a number of executables containing ROS 2 nodes simultaneously.
- ▶ You can write the files in different languages:
 - ▶ Python
 - ▶ XML
 - ▶ YAML

- ▶ A program that contains a `LaunchDescription` object
- ▶ The `LaunchDescription` object contains actions:
 - ▶ `Node` action - to run a program
 - ▶ `IncludeLaunchDescription`
 - ▶ `DeclareLaunchArguments`
 - ▶ `SetEnvironmentVariable`
 - ▶ ...

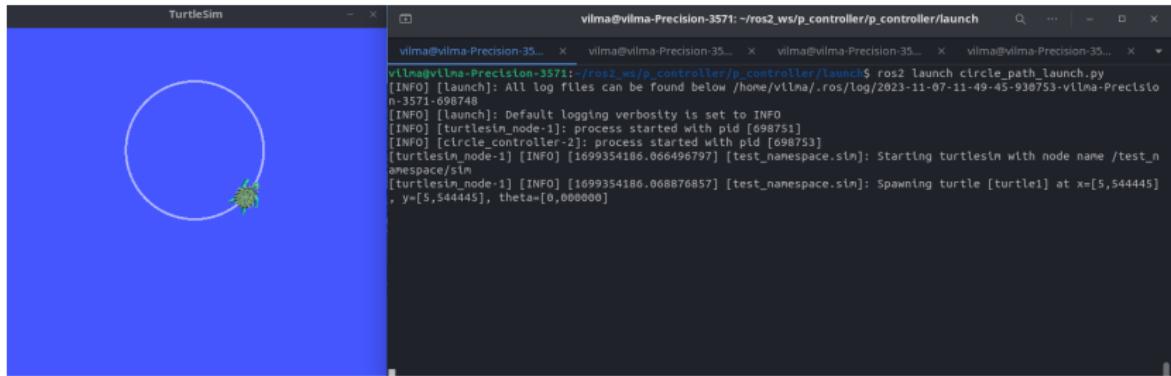
- ▶ Create a new directory to store your launch files:

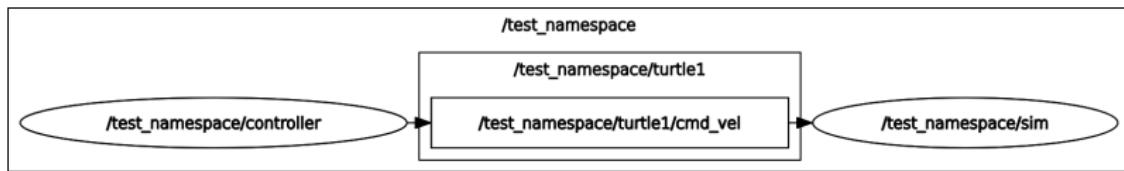
```
$ mkdir launch
```

- ▶ Let's put together a ROS 2 launch file using the turtlesim package and the circle_controller publisher.

```
1 from launch import LaunchDescription
2 from launch_ros.actions import Node
3
4
5 def generate_launch_description():
6     return LaunchDescription([
7         Node(
8             package='turtlesim',
9             namespace='test_namespace',
10            executable='turtlesim_node',
11            name='sim'
12        ),
13        Node(
14            package='p_controller',
15            namespace='test_namespace',
16            executable='circle_controller',
17            name='controller'
18        )
19    ])
20
```

```
$ cd launch  
$ ros2 launch circle_path.launch.py
```





▶ Install Jazzy Jalisco

<https://docs.ros.org/en/jazzy/Installation.html>

- ▶ Write a python publisher node that sends velocity commands to move the turtle in a square (Assume that we do not have any message loss)



Setup instructions and slides:

<https://github.com/vilmamuco/ros2-exercises>



- ▶ Python tutorial: <https://www.w3schools.com/python/>
- ▶ Linux tutorial: Bash 101 - Working at the CLI

Thank you!

Questions?