

EECS 476 Mobile Robotics

PS 1

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1. Source code

```
//start sending some zero-velocity commands, just to warm up communications  
with STDR  
for (int i=0;i<10;i++) {  
    twist_commander.publish(twist_cmd);  
    loop_timer.sleep();  
}
```

```
twist_cmd.linear.x=speed; //command to move forward  
while(timer<time_3_sec) {  
    twist_commander.publish(twist_cmd);  
    timer+=sample_dt;  
    loop_timer.sleep();  
}
```

```
twist_cmd.linear.x=0.0; //stop moving forward  
twist_cmd.angular.z=yaw_rate; //and start spinning in place  
timer=0.0; //reset the timer  
while(timer<1.5) {  
    twist_commander.publish(twist_cmd);  
    timer+=sample_dt;  
    loop_timer.sleep();  
}
```

```
twist_cmd.angular.z=0.0; //and stop spinning in place  
twist_cmd.linear.x=speed; //and move forward again  
timer=0.0; //reset the timer  
while(timer<7.5) {  
    twist_commander.publish(twist_cmd);  
    timer+=sample_dt;  
    loop_timer.sleep();  
}
```

...

```
//halt the motion  
twist_cmd.angular.z=0.0;  
twist_cmd.linear.x=0.0;  
for (int i=0;i<10;i++) {
```

```
twist_commander.publish(twist_cmd);  
loop_timer.sleep();  
}  
//done commanding the robot; node runs to completion
```

2. Main idea

In a loop with specified time durations, use “publisher” as the commander to drive the robot “robot0” to move forward or spin by z axis until it arrives at the left top corner.

3. Example use

To start the simulator with

```
$roslaunch stdr_launchers server_with_map_and_gui_plus_robot.launch
```

Run a simple, open-loop command sequence with:

```
$roslaunch my_stdr_control my_stdr_open_loop_commander
```

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