

Robot programming, Simulation and Environment using Choreonoid for Humanoid Beginner

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- General information of Choreonoid
- Connecting to other system
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Robot competition using simulator

- RoboCup <https://www.robocup.org/>
 - Soccer(sim) developed multi agent simulator, Rescue(sim), @Home, Industrial
- DARPA Challenge
 - Grand(2005) / Urban(2007) Challenge
 - Robotics (**Virtual2013**, Trial2013, Final2015) Challenge
 - Subterranean Challenge (2017-2021) (**Trial?**)
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/DARPA_Grand_Challenge
- JVRC (Japan Virtual Robotics Challenge) 2015
- WRS2020 (world robot summit)
 - Tunnel disaster challenge
- HVAC (Humanoid Virtual Athletics Challenge) << This WS

Robot competition using simulator

- Why simulator is used at competitions?
- Difficulties in real robots
 - Hardware (preparations robot, maintenance, environment)
- Wider variety of participants
 - Expert, Novice (experience)
 - Researcher, Developer and Hobbyist (profession)
 - Software, Hardware and Systems (speciality, interest)
- Targets (organizer, participants)
 - Boosting humanoid robots research
 - Testing new algorithms
 - Testing new hardware
 - Testing new integrate system

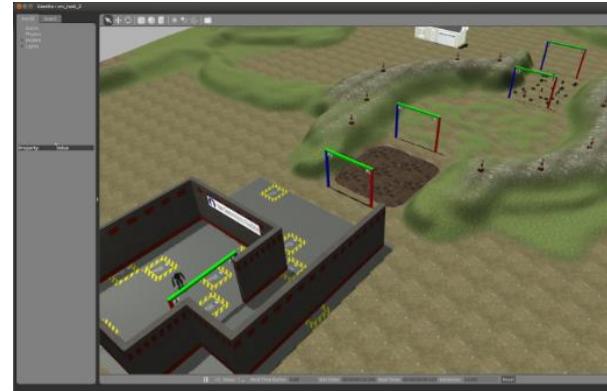
Virtual Robotics Challenge 2013

- Using Gazebo as simulator
 - Gazebo running in server, participants connecting from their site
- Target of competition
 - Required to solve real tasks
 - Control system
 - Novel robot interface
 - Share autonomous algorithms and operator's input

Virtual Robotics Task 1



Virtual Robotics Task 2



Virtual Robotics Task 3



Robot control environment using Gazebo (VRC)

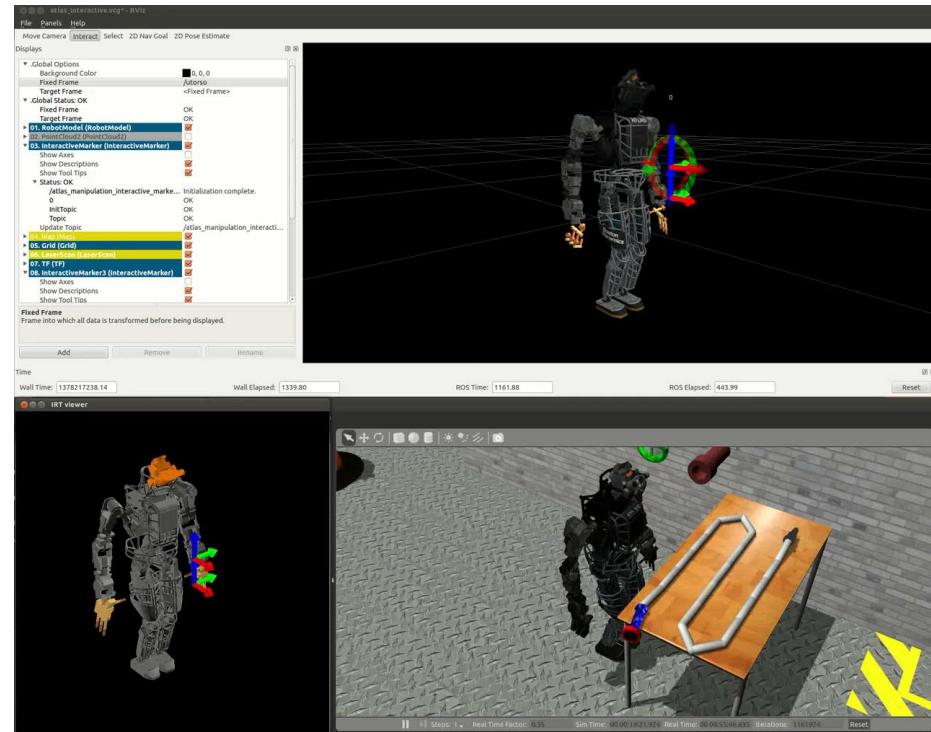
- Gazebo
(<http://gazebosim.org/>)

- Dynamics engine (ODE base)
- Various environments (drsim)
- Highly compatible with ROS (gazebo-ros-pkgs)

RVIZ (ROS visualization and controlling by marker)

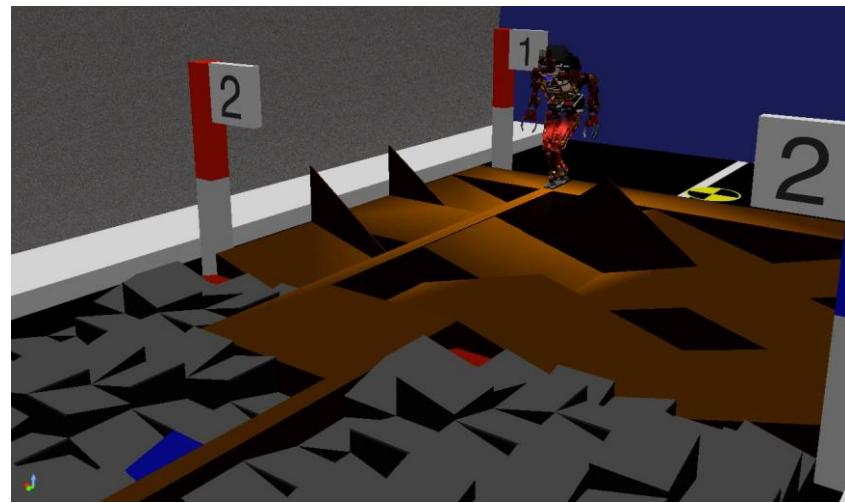
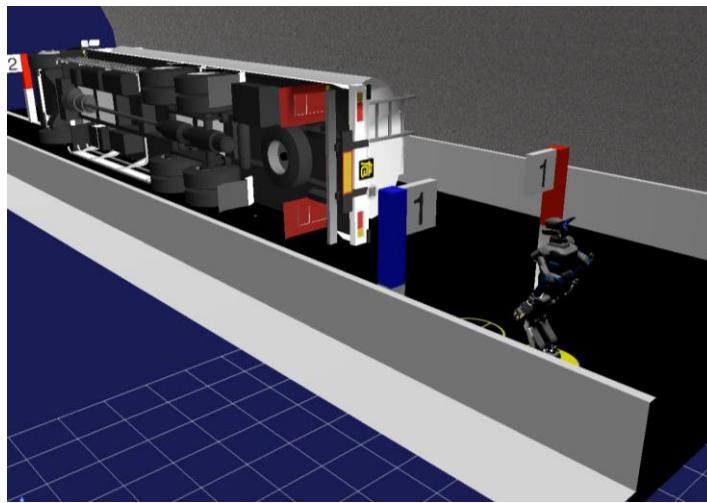
Model expression
on EusLisp In Gazebo

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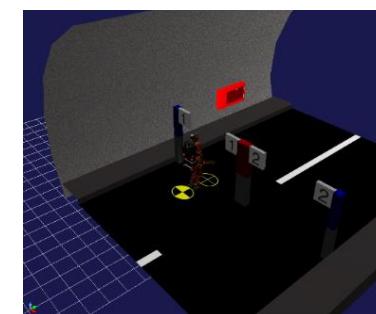
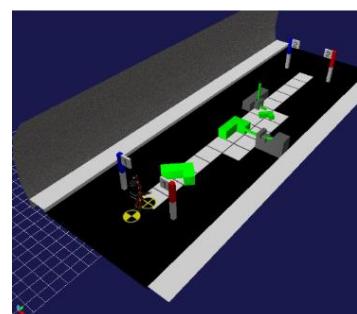
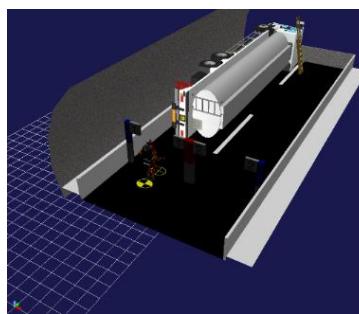
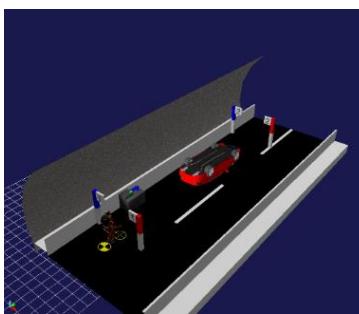
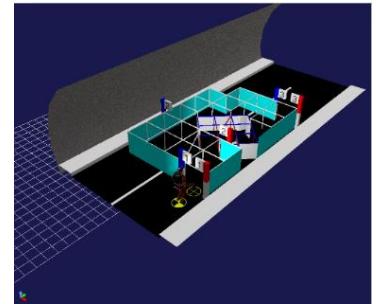
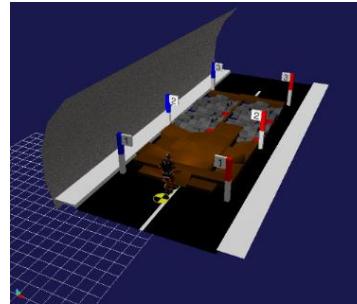
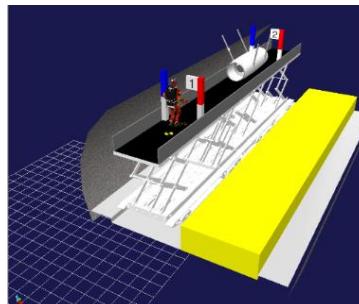
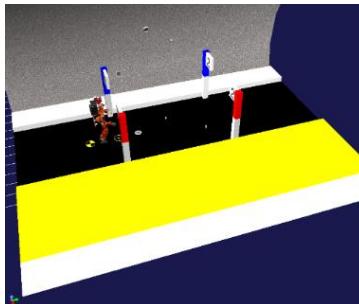
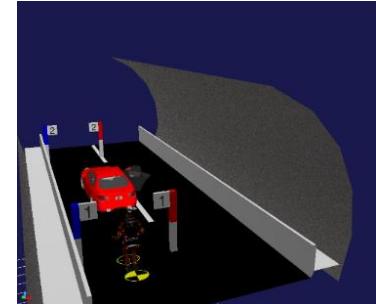
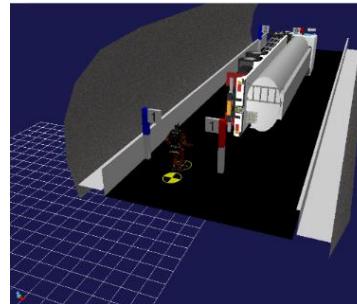
JVRC(Japan Virtual Robotics Challenge)

- Computer Simulation Competition for Disaster Response Robots
 - Target task: Disasters in tunnels
 - Oct 7~10, 2015
 - Simulator: Choreonoid
 - Participating Teams: 12



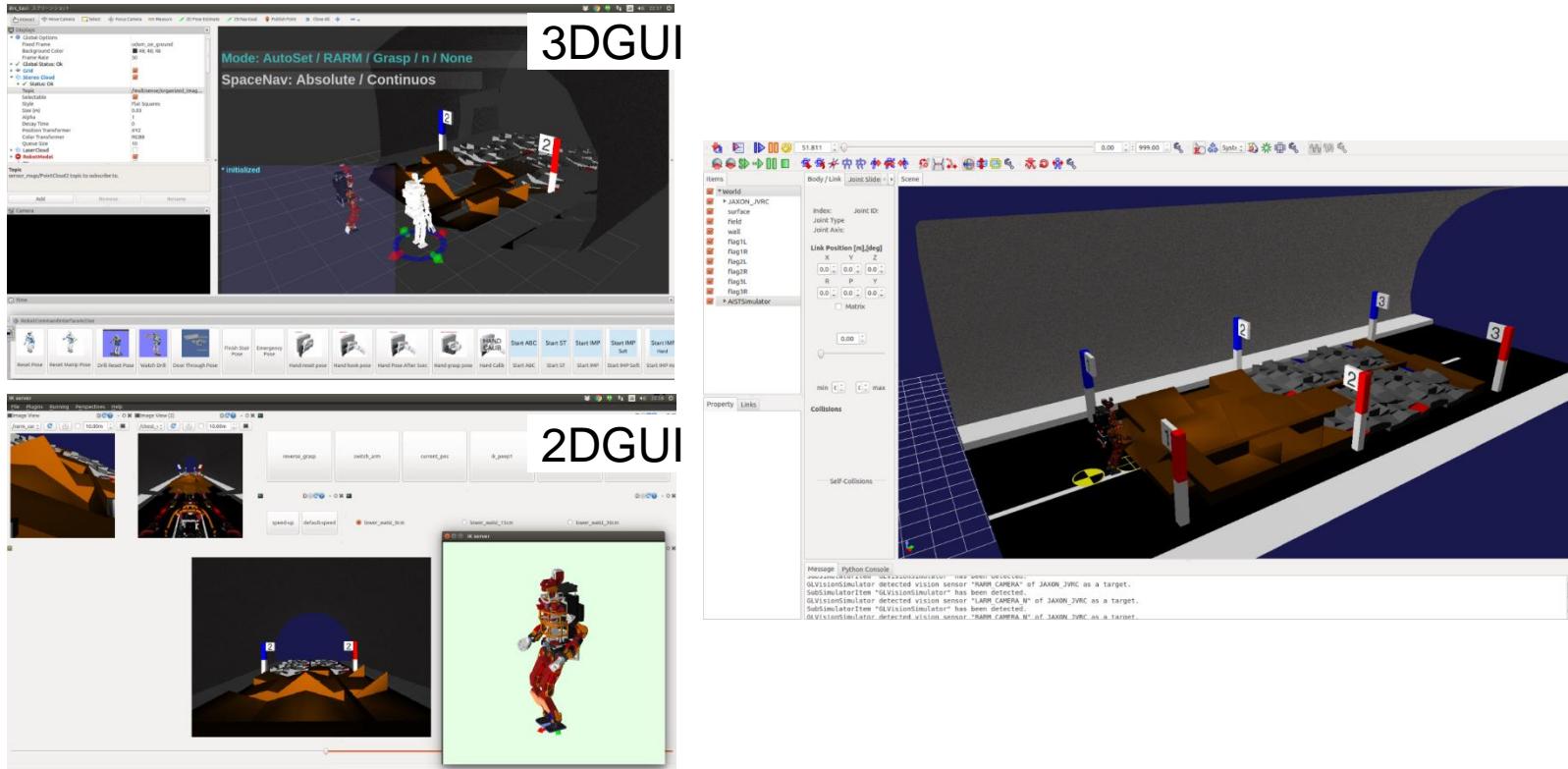
JVRC(Japan Virtual Robotics Challenge) Tasks

- Basic mobility in narrow areas
- Manipulation (heavy objects)
- Inspection
- Searching for missing persons

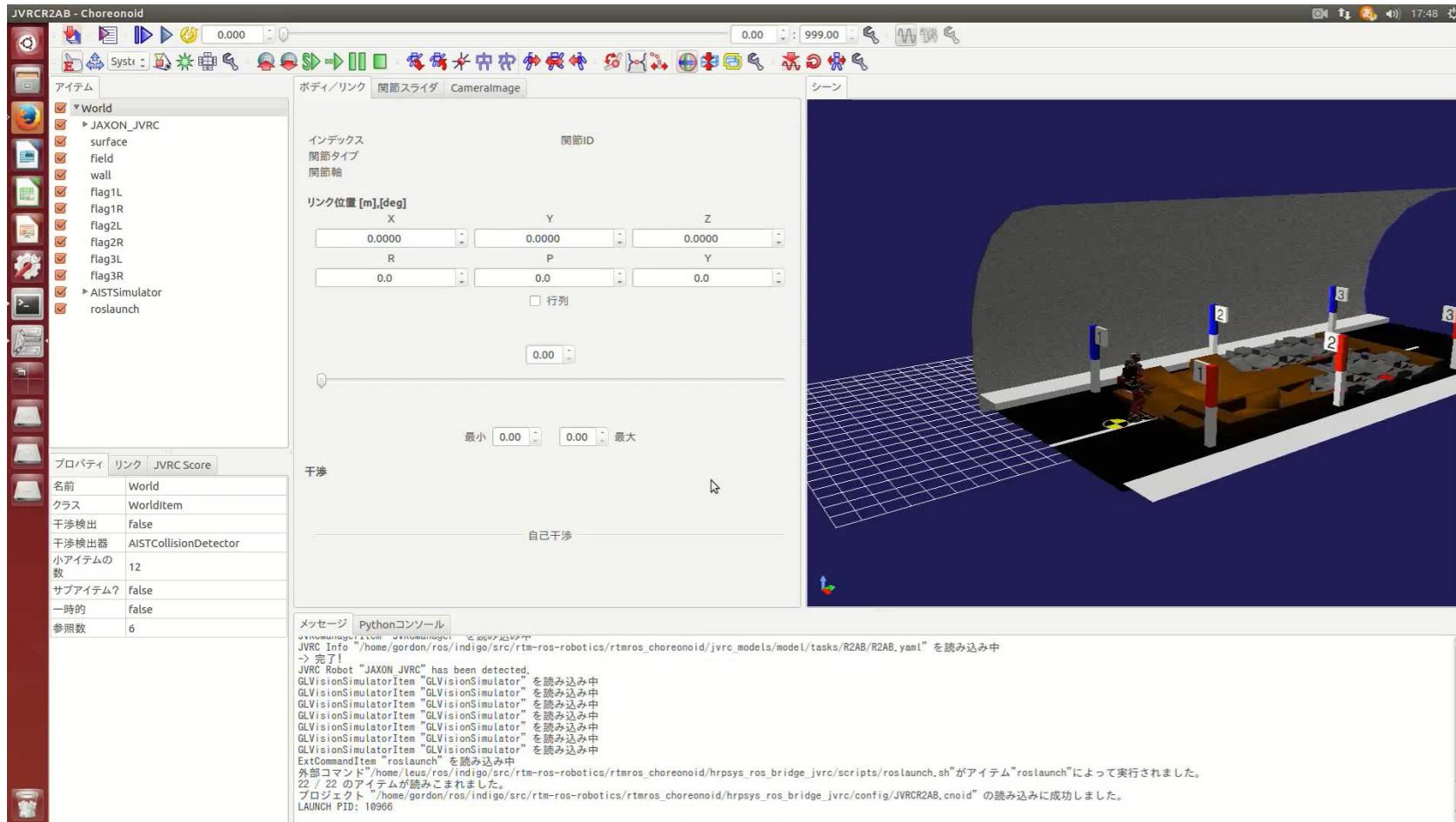


Robot control environment using Choreonoid (JSK lab.)

- Configured to use the same interface as the real robot
- Almost same GUI using DRC



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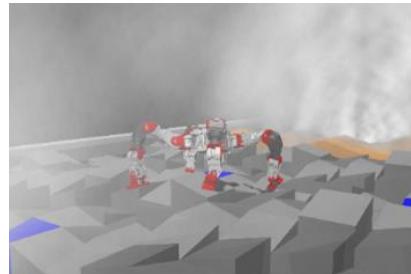


WRS(World Robot Summit)



World Robot Summit

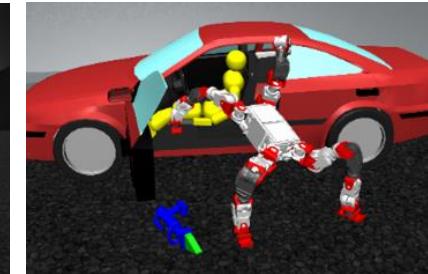
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Traversing Obstacles



Task T2
Vehicle Inspection



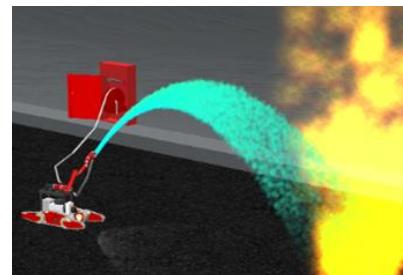
Task T3
Rescue using Tools



Task T4
Secure the Route



Task T5
Fire Extinguish

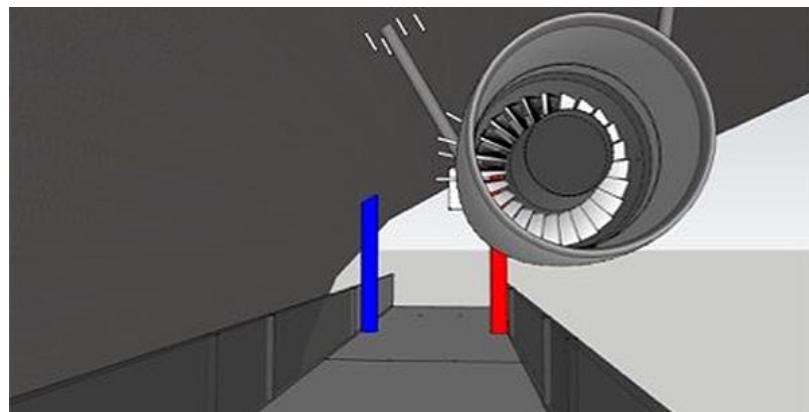
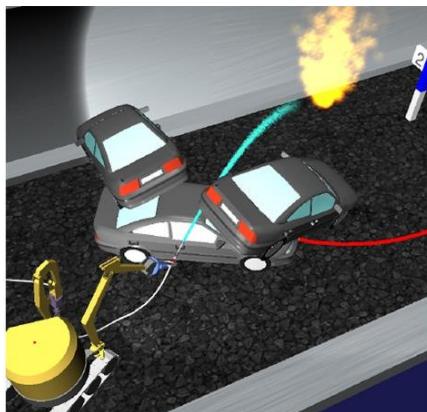
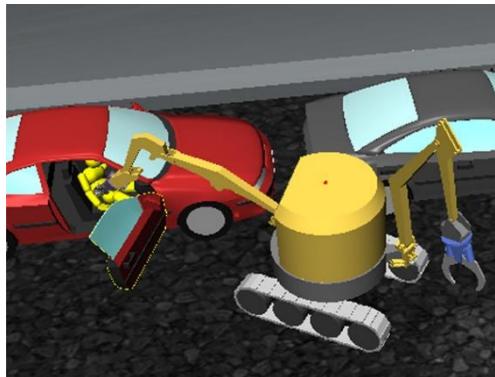


Task T6
Shoring and Breaching



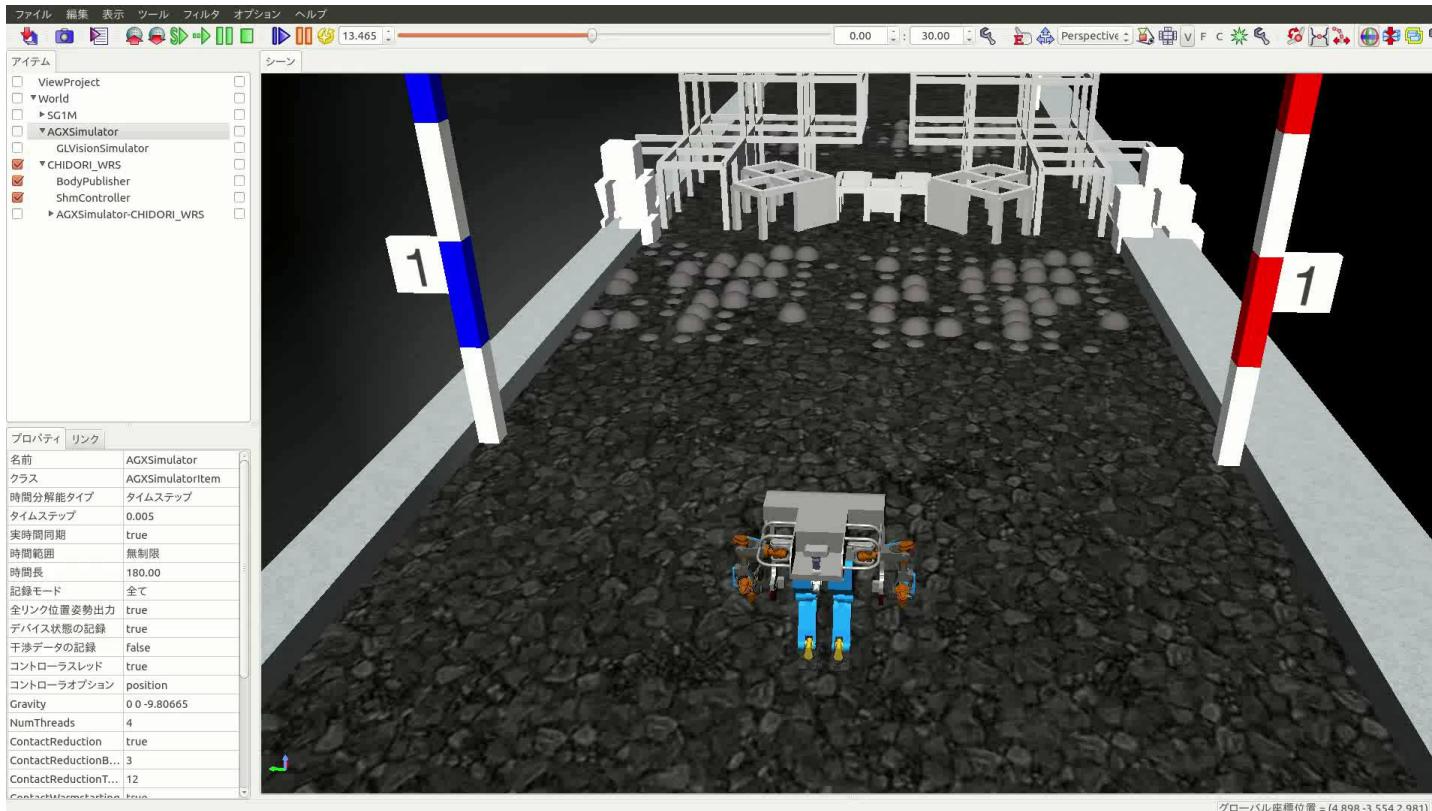
WRS2020 (Tunnel disaster challenge)

- Tunnel disaster challenge
 - <https://worldrobotsummit.org/wrs2020/challenge/disaster/tunnel.html>



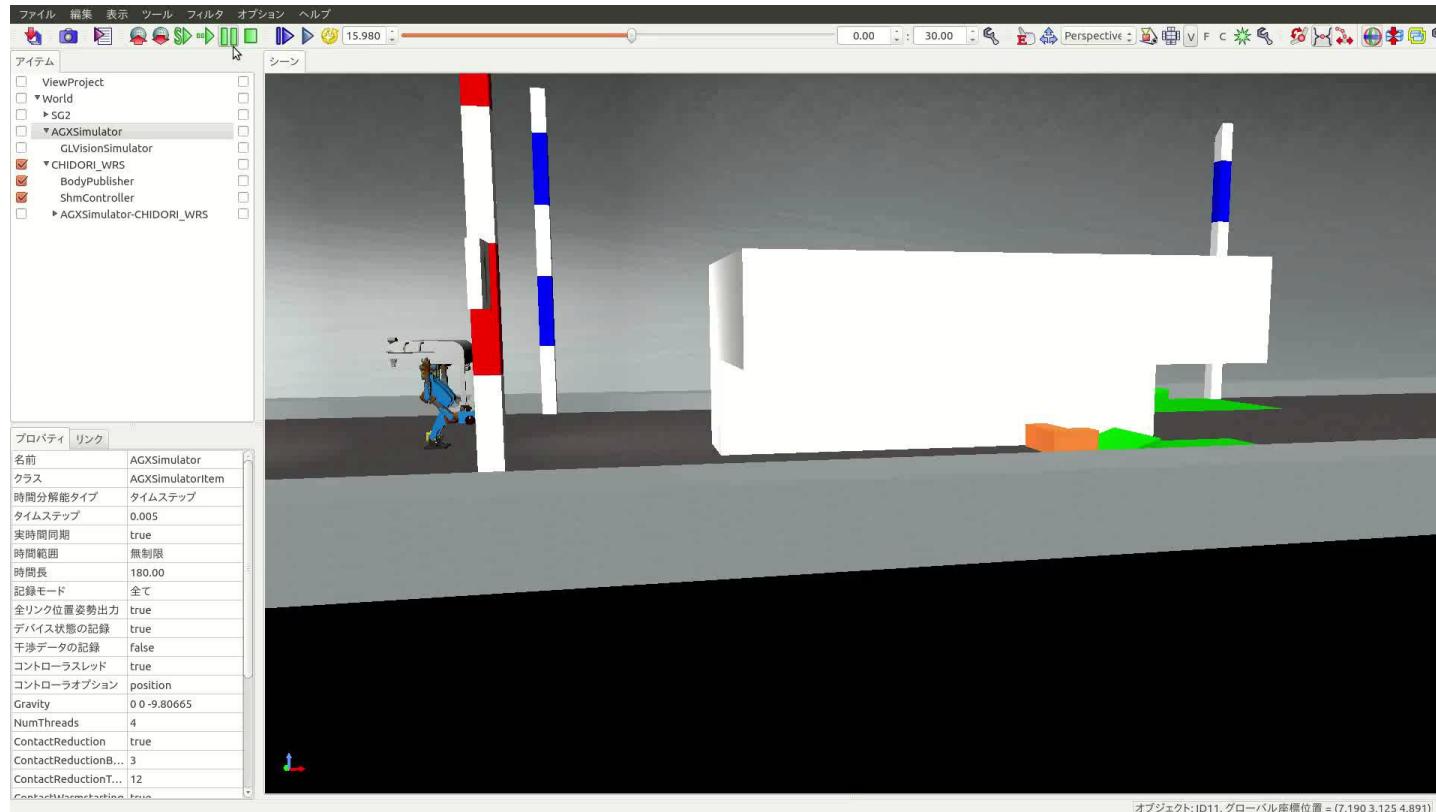
WRS2020 (Tunnel disaster challenge)

- Stage Gate (Locomotion through rough terrain)

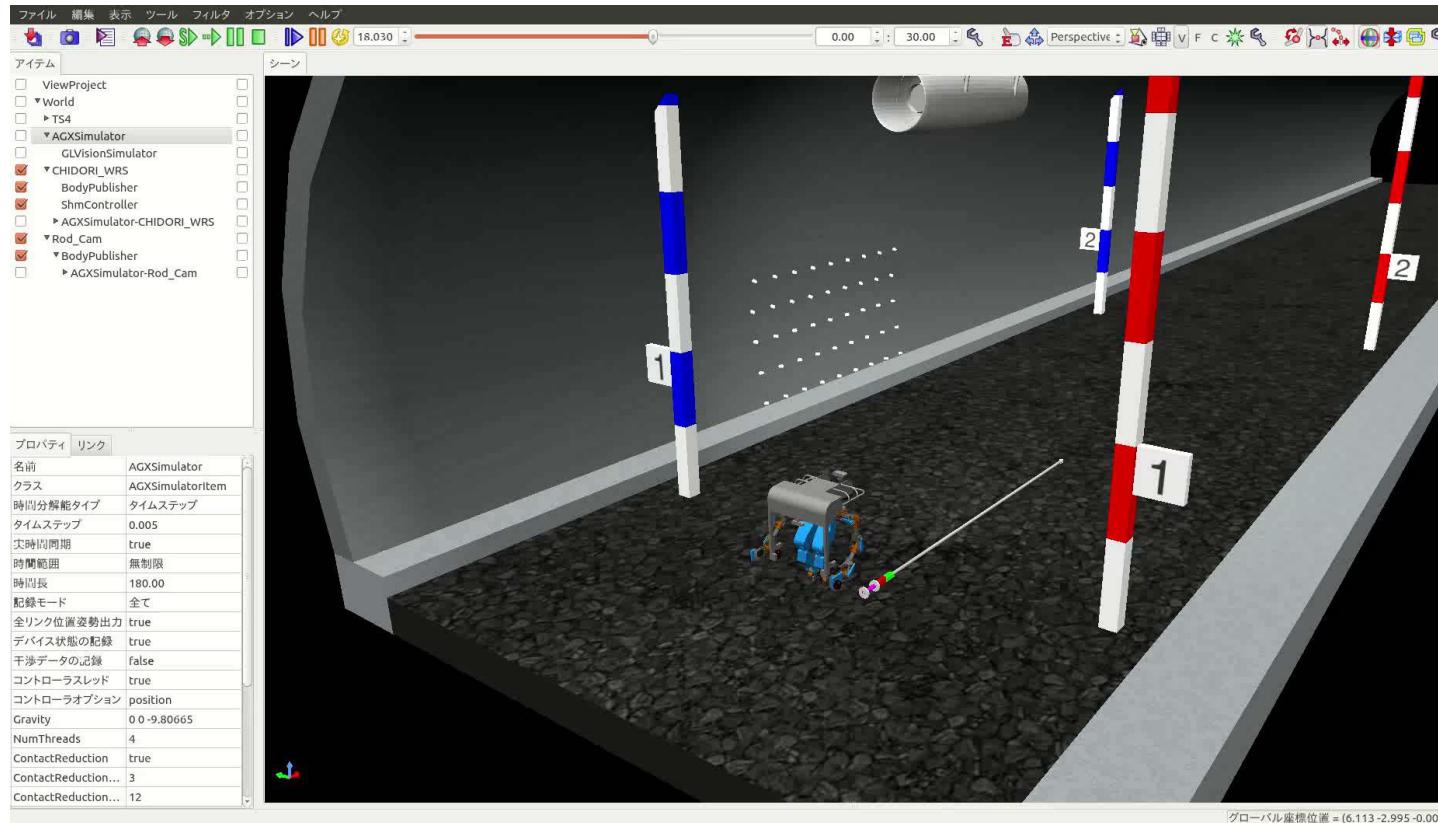


WRS2020 (Tunnel disaster challenge)

- Stage Gate (Manipulation – Heavy Object / Tools)



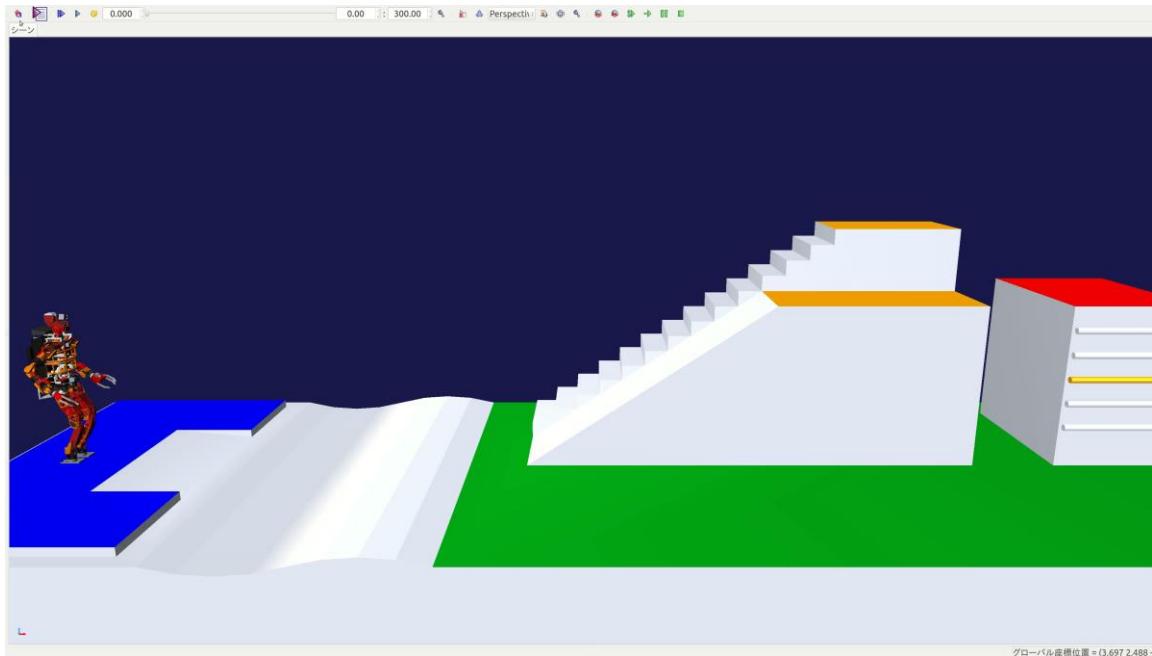
- Stage Gate (Investigation using camera)



HVAC (Humanoid Virtual Athletics Challenge)

- Whole body control for difficult environment
- Operator set the target

Team Jaxon(2021)



Roundup of robot competitions using simulation

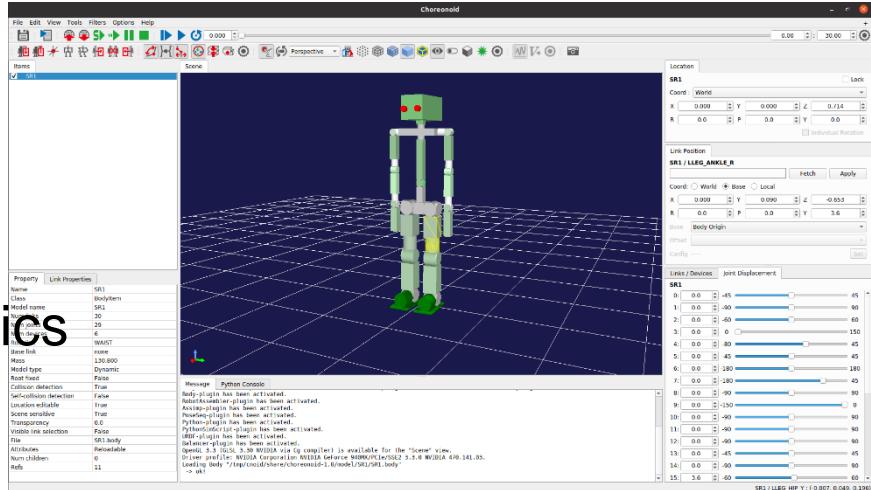
- Simulator should be easy to use
 - Most important performance is speed (second is accuracy)
 - Well documented and many samples
- How to increase participants
 - Good samples (correspondence with a thesis)
 - Allow for variety of purpose (few restrictions)
 - Increased complexity of task is a trade-off for the entry barriers.
- My personal hope is that a real robot is a familiar target

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General Information (Choreonoid)

- **Choreonoid**
 - Open source
 - <https://choreonoid.org/>
 - <https://github.com/choreonoid>
 - Integrated GUI platform for Robotics
 - Choreography (for dancing)
 - Simulation
 - Visualization of sensors
 - Remote control
 - Plugin system
- From 2019, Start of business activities for commercial use
 - ・「統合ロボットシミュレータChoreonoidの最新機能」計測と制御2018年57巻10号p.700-705
 - ・https://www.jstage.jst.go.jp/article/sicej/57/10/57_700/_pdf/-char/ja

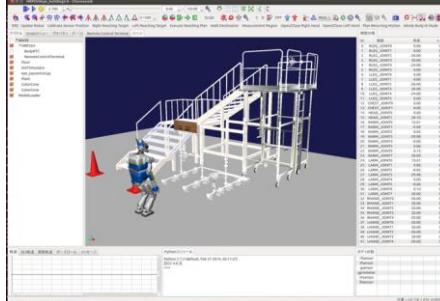


Choreonoid

- Integrated GUI platform
 - Can be used for various purposes
 - GUI can be customized through the use of extensions
 - Using Libraries for robotic programming

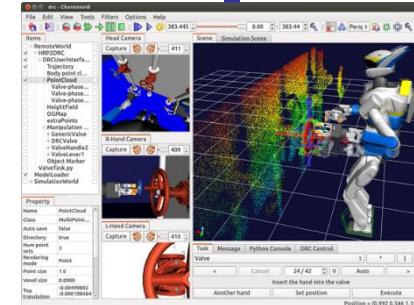
1. Robot simulator

Used in JVRC (Japan virtual robotics challenge)



2. Remote Operation Interface

Remote Operation Interface in DRC Finals

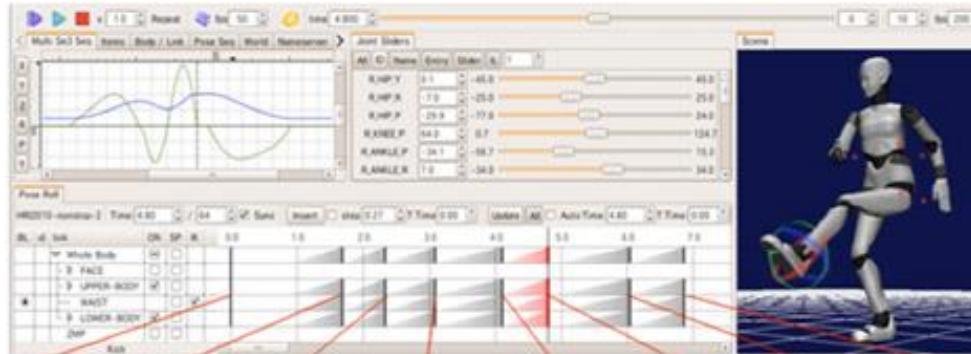


3. Choreography

Automatic balance adjustment function allows choreography with the appearance of a CG character.



Choreonoid (Choreography)



Choreonoidを用いて作成したヒューマノイドロボットHRP-4Cの動作例
<https://choreonoid.org/ja/about.html>

Choreonoid (Choreography and Whole body dynamics)

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アイテム

- WorldItem
- HRP4Cg
- WildAtHeart8-OnA...
 - motion
- SimpleFloor
- ALTSimulator
- OnAirDancePart

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プロパティ リンク RTC

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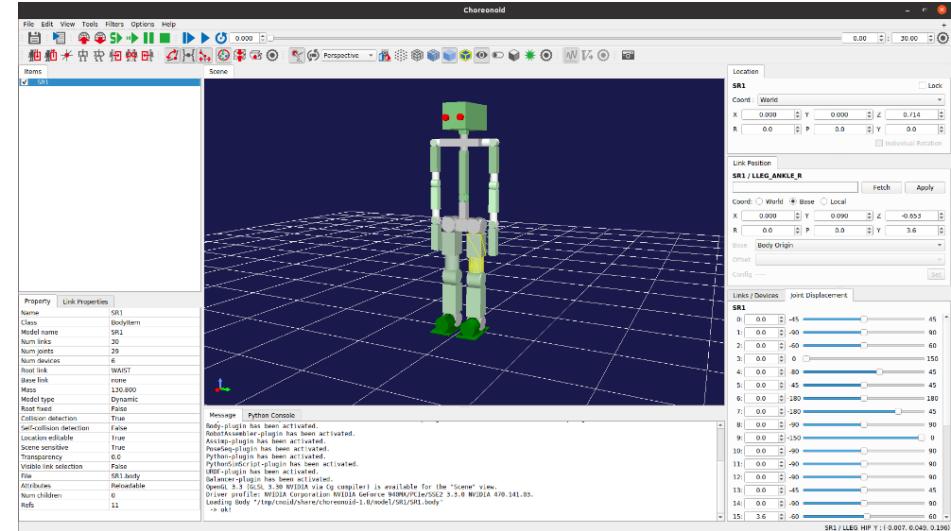
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WildAtHeart8-OnAirSync : 位置 = (0.500 -0.828 0.000)

General Information (Choreonoid)

- Software structure of Choreonoid (3 main libraries)
 - Body (Robot model) library
 - Robot structure – Body, Link, Sensor
 - Kinematics
 - Dynamics
 - Base system (GUI) library
 - View (3D visualize view, etc.)
 - Panel for Body, Link, Sensor
 - Tool bar
 - Utility library
 - Robot model loader (using yaml)
 - Matrix (Eigen), Algorithms
 - Python bindings



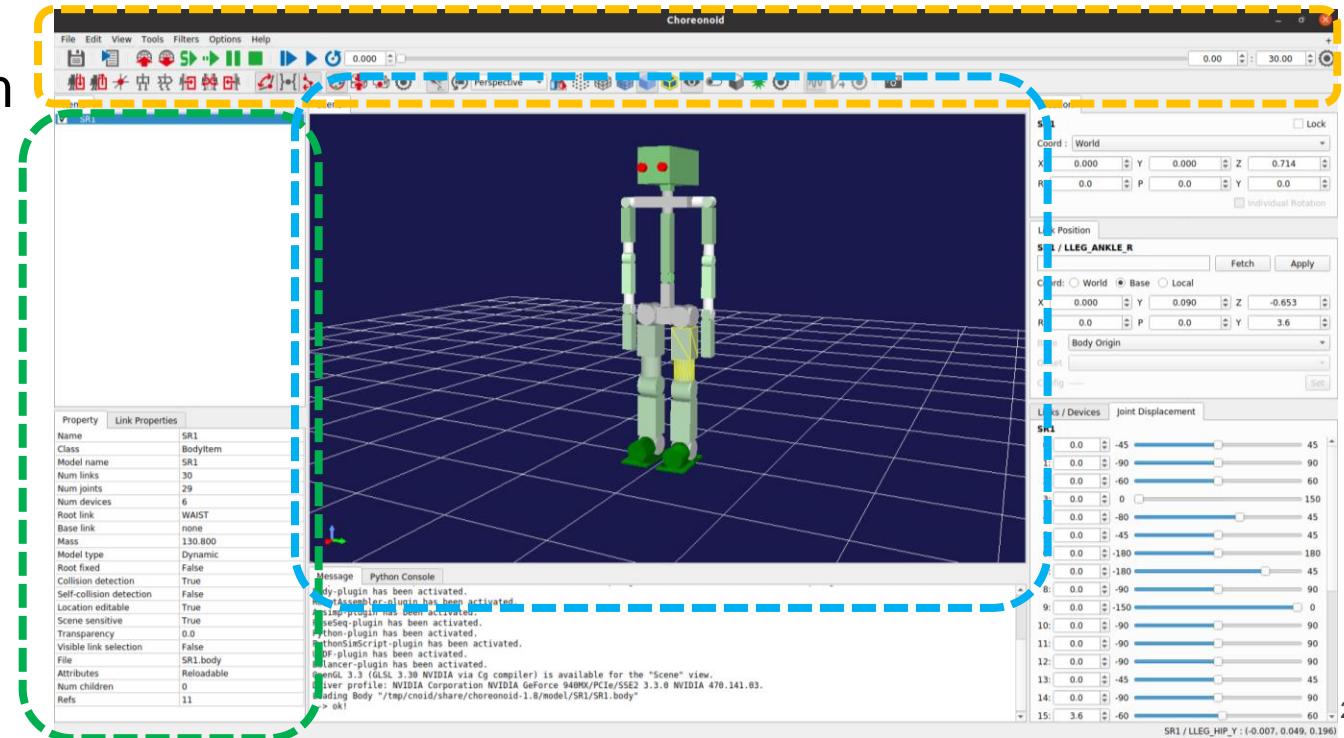
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Tool Bar

Panel

Model View

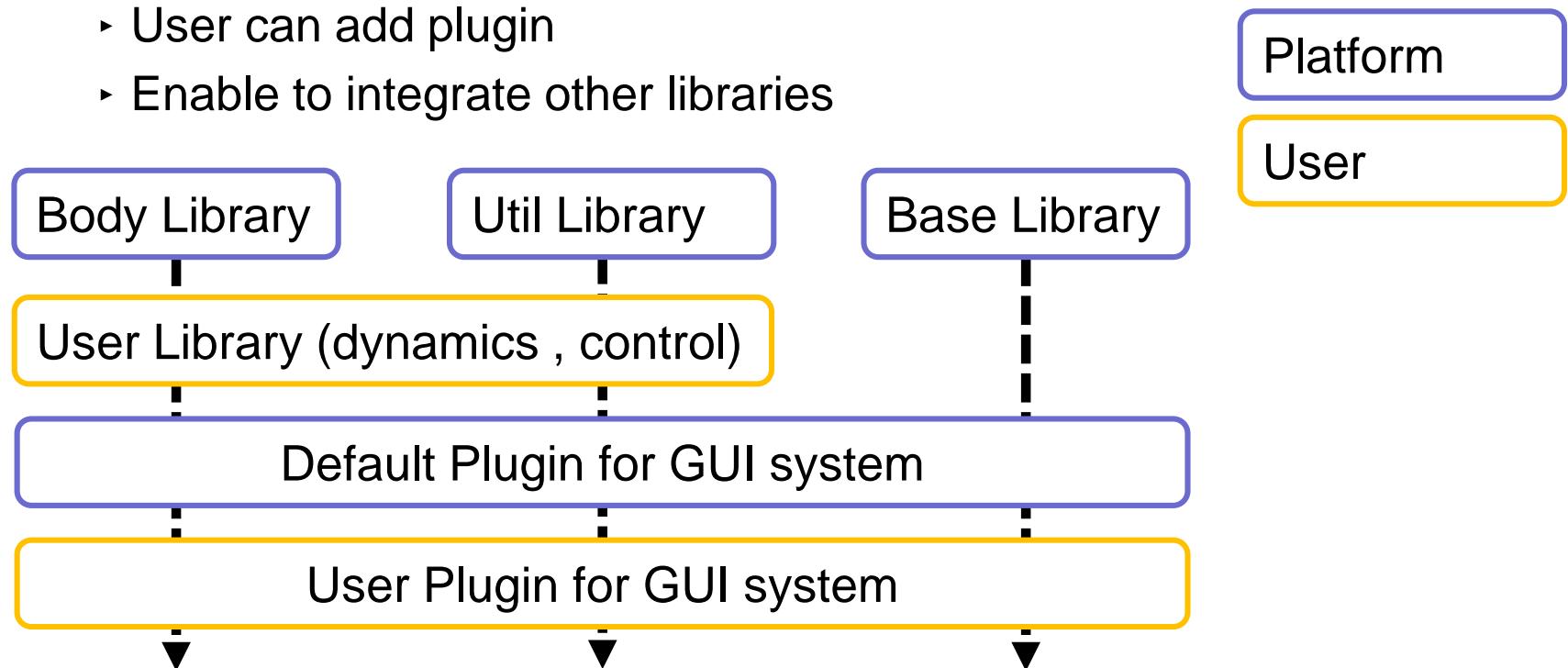


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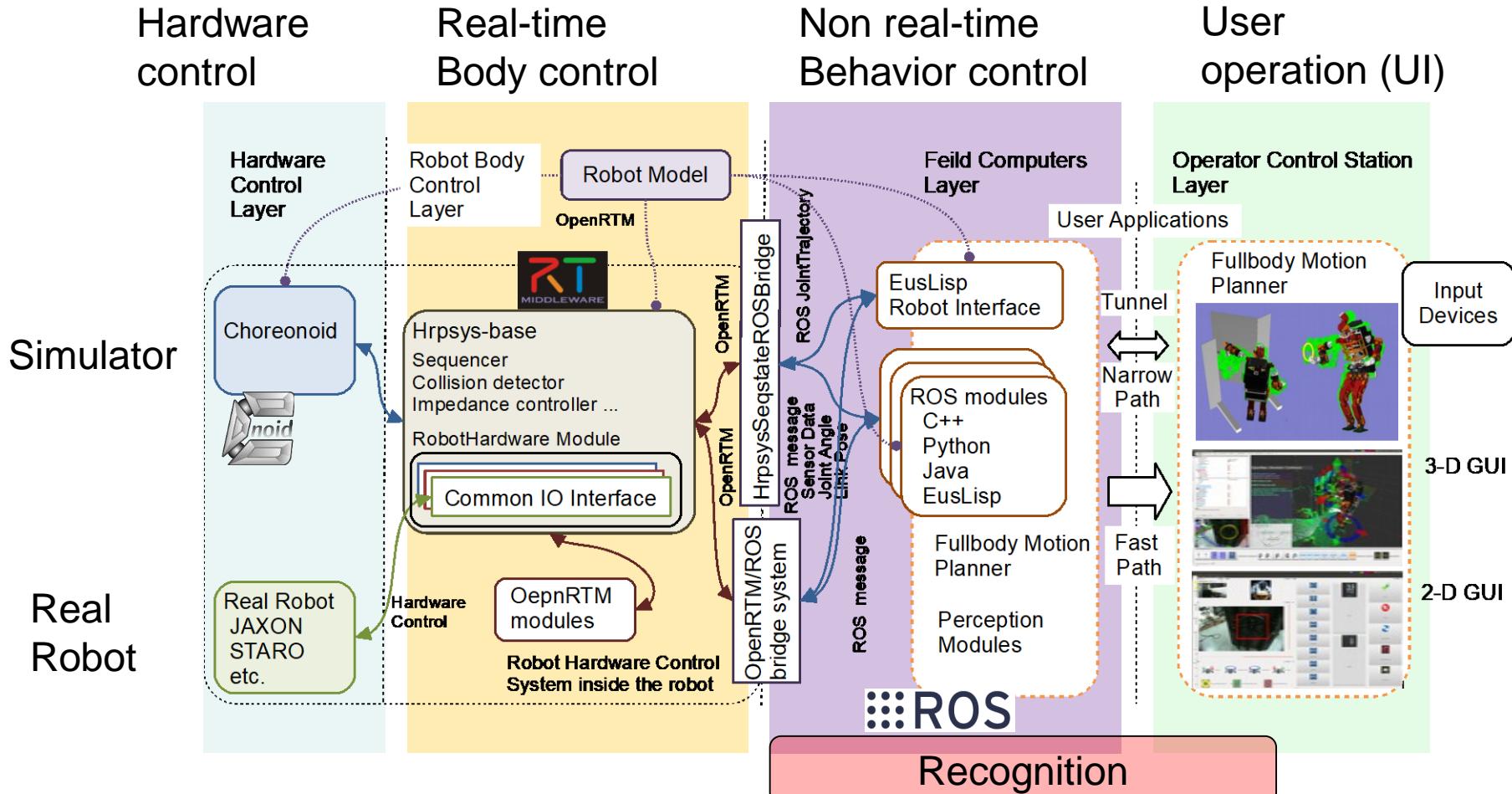
- User can add plugin
 - Enable to integrate other libraries



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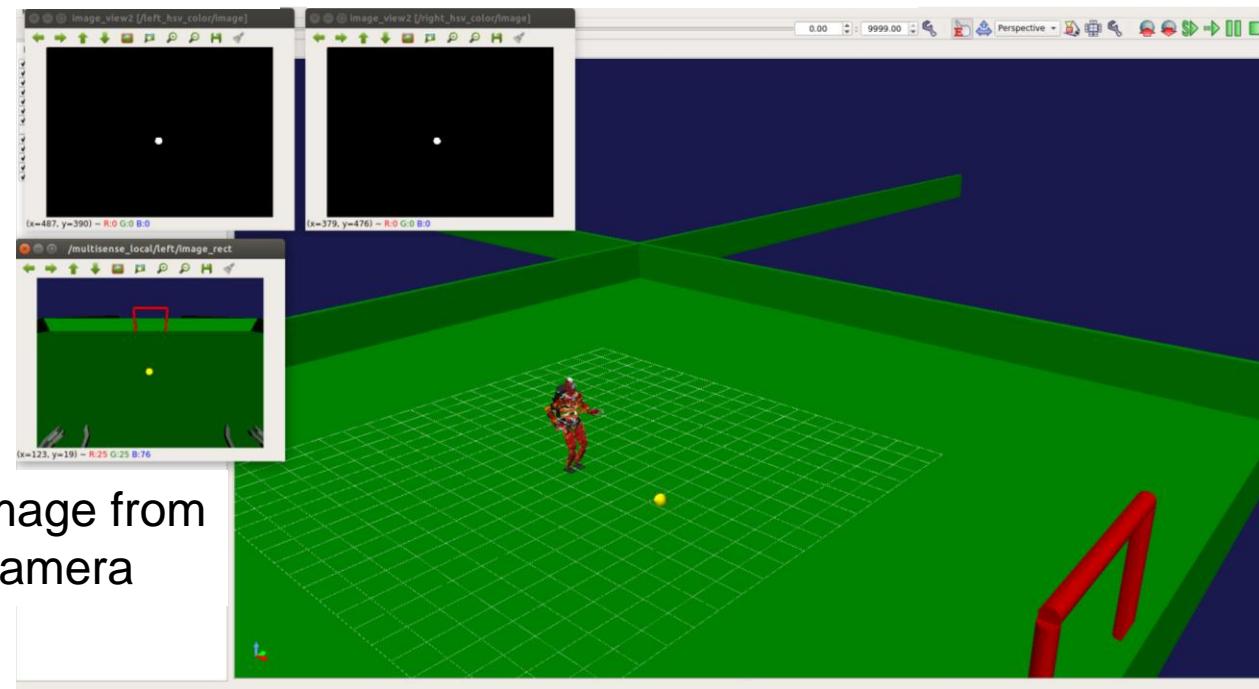
Layered software configuration for simulator and real robot



Humanoid robot control system in simulation

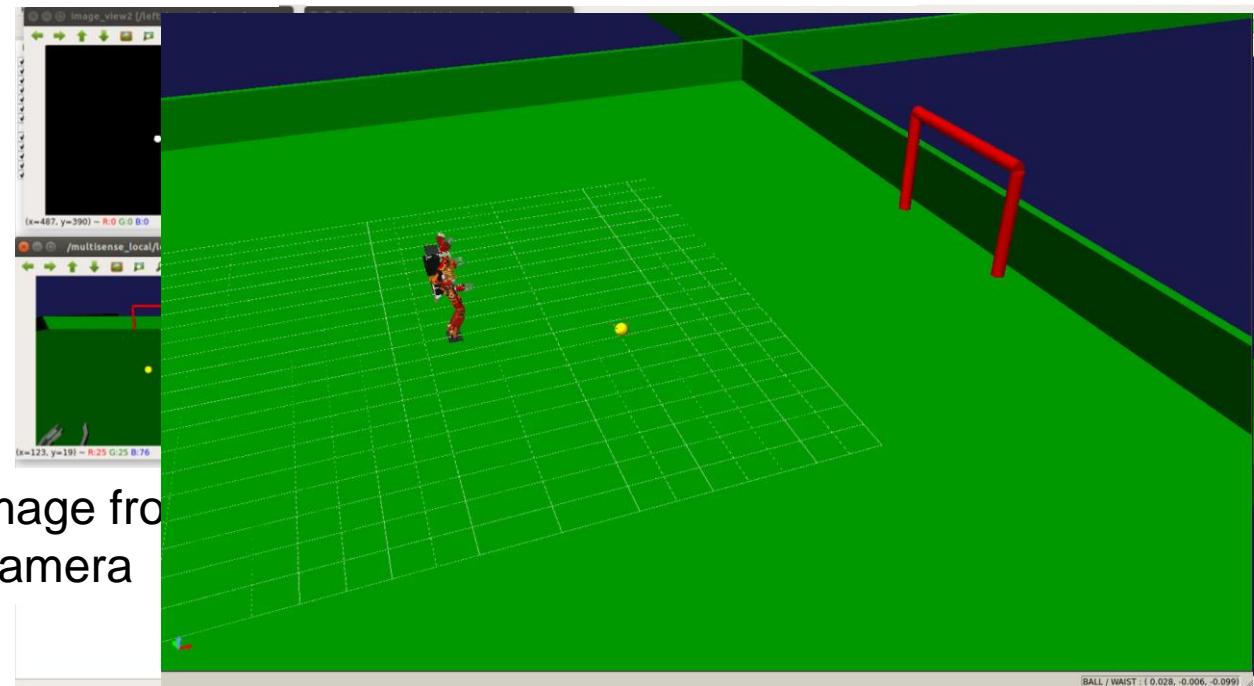
- Humanoid robot control system

- Body control
- Behavior control
- Recognition
- Operator (UI)



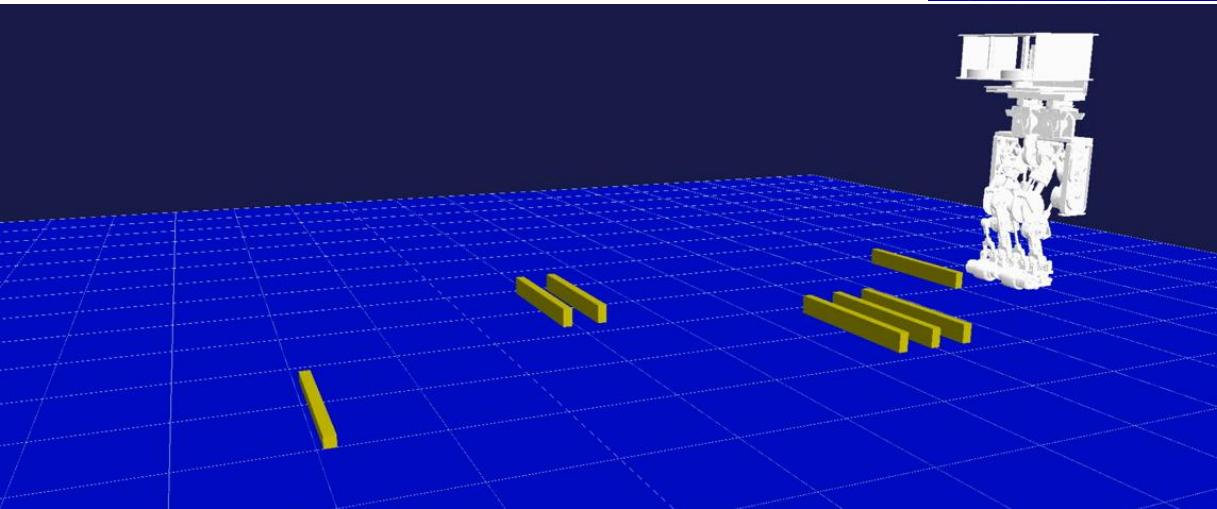
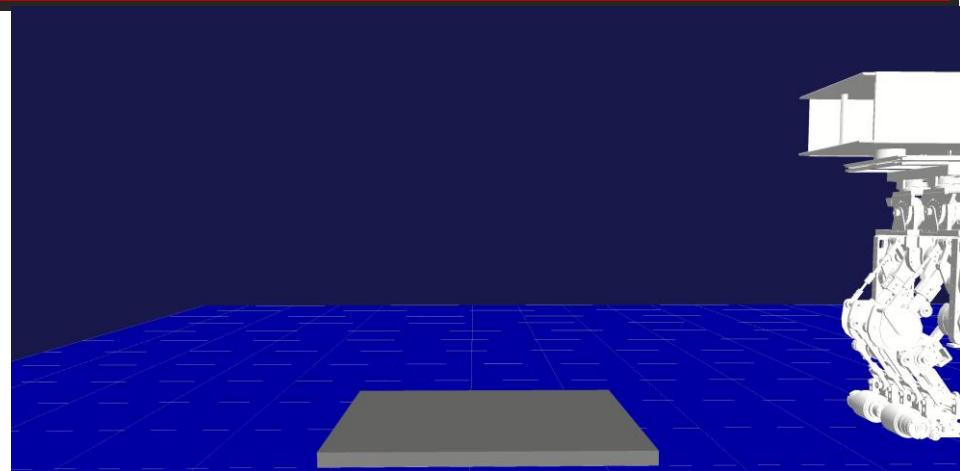
Humanoid robot control system in simulation

- Humanoid robot control system
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 - Recognition
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Hybrid locomotion (In simulator)

Moving over steps



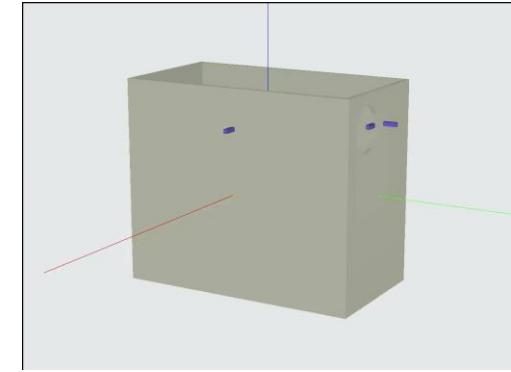
Obstacle Avoidance Leg
Wheel Movement

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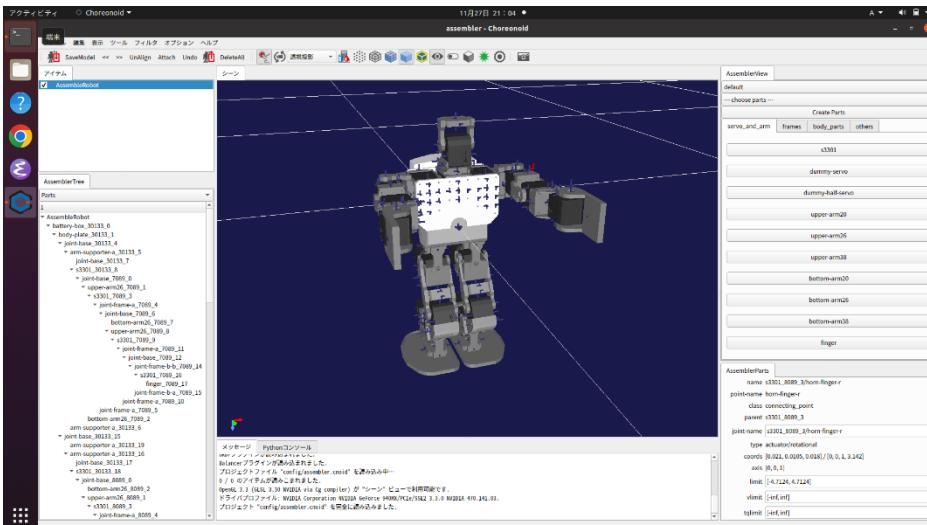
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Robot assemble system on Choreonoid

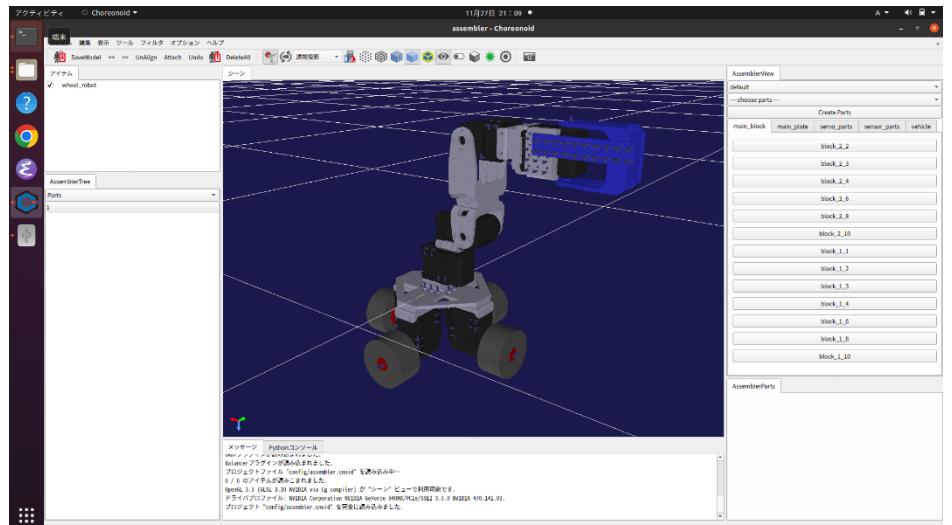
- Platform to configure a robot using actuator module
- Support various series of actuator modules
 - By writing definitions file



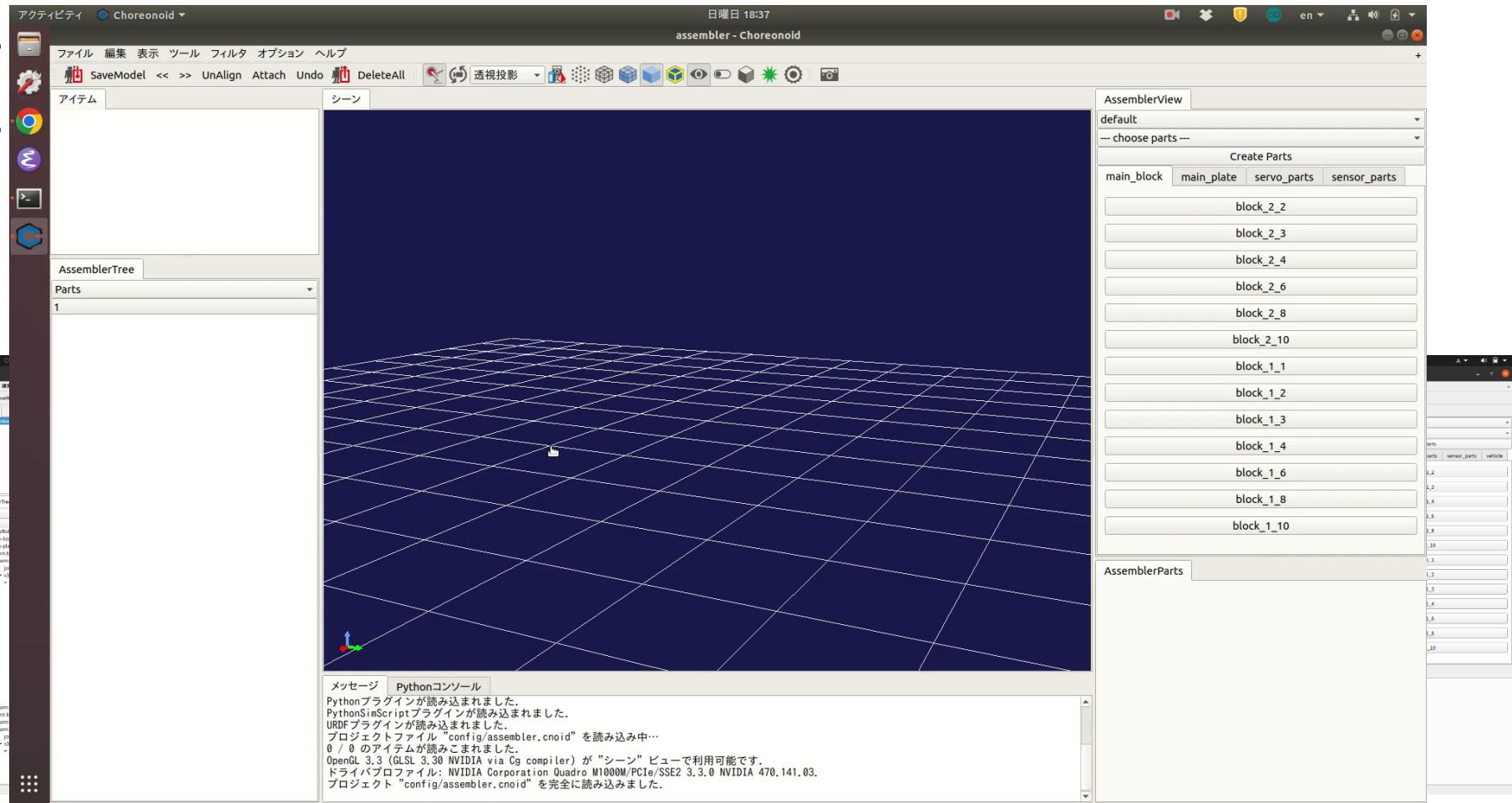
KXR (kondo kagaku)



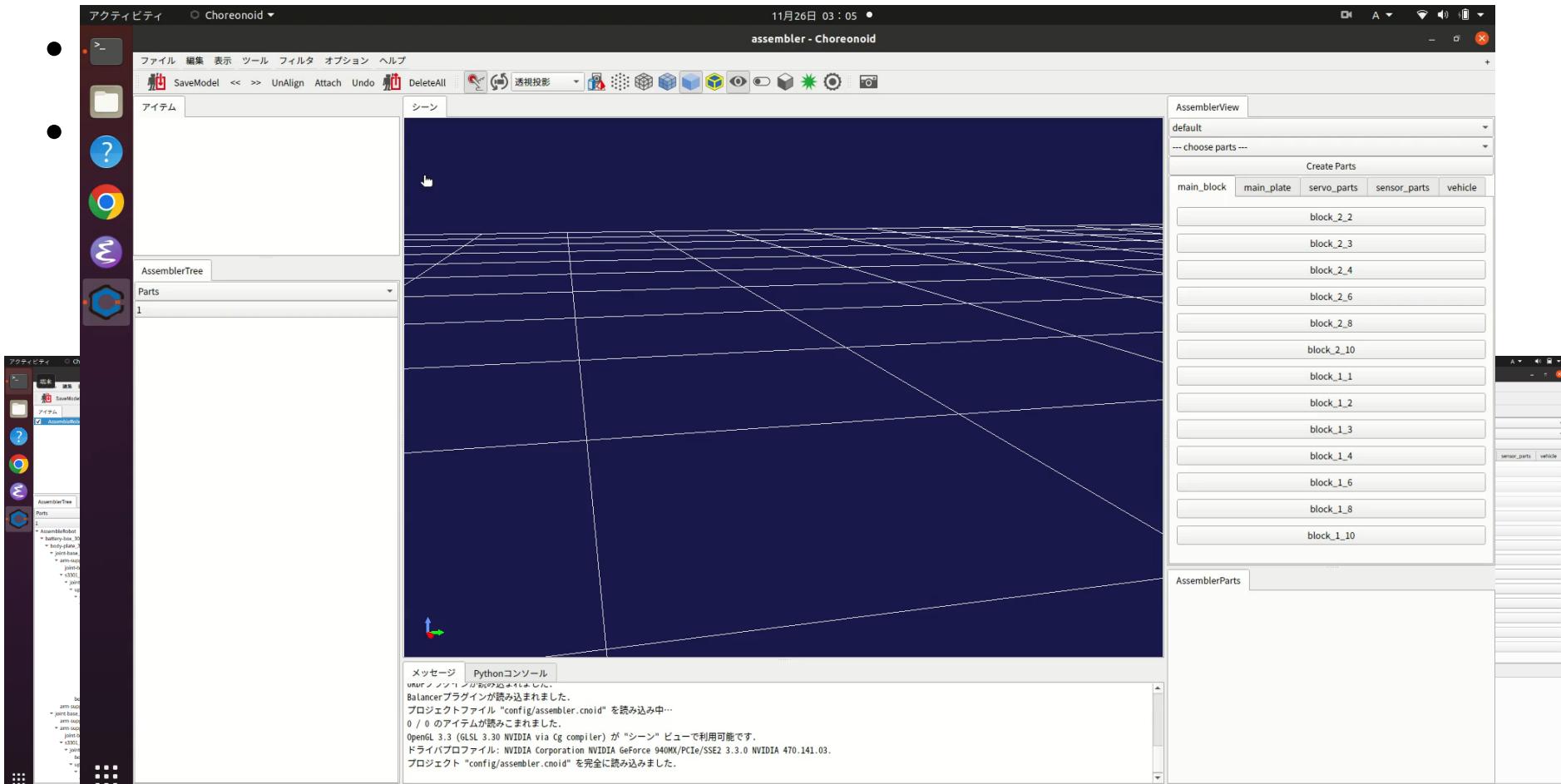
Dynamixel and Lego block



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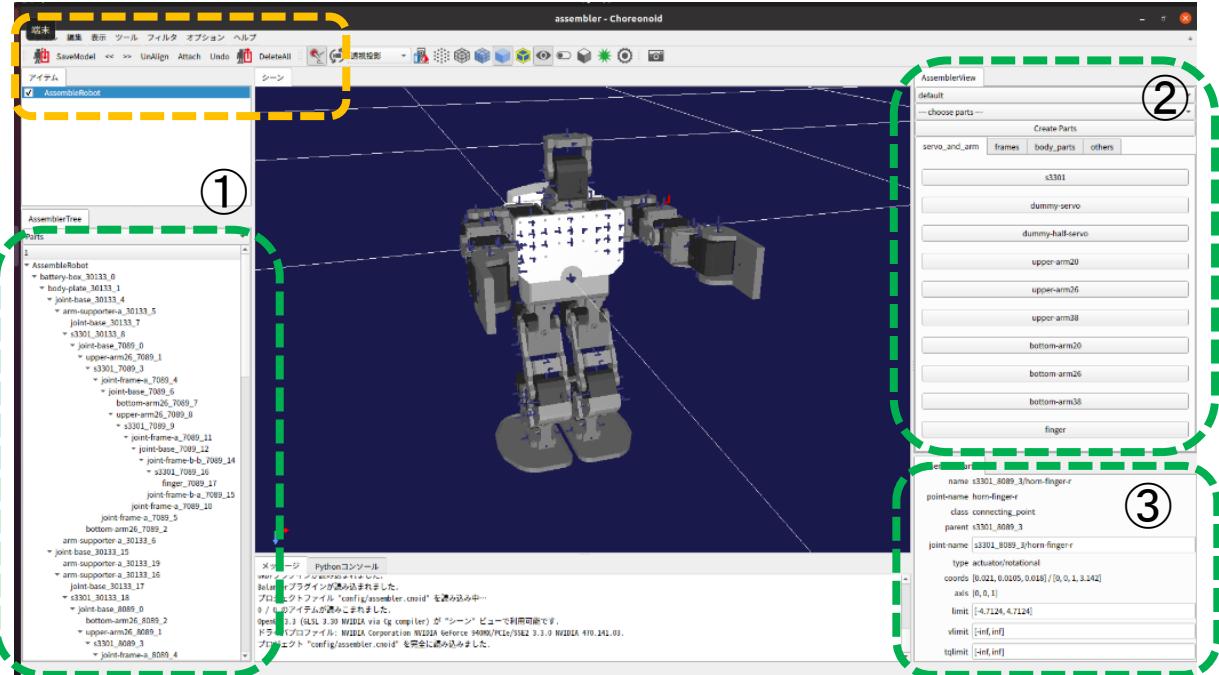


Robot assemble system on Choreonoid



Robot assemble system on Choreonoid

- Platform to configure a robot using actuator module
- Written as a Choreonoid plugin
 - https://github.com/IRSL-tut/robot_assembler_plugin



Customized Tool Bar

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Panel : parts tree

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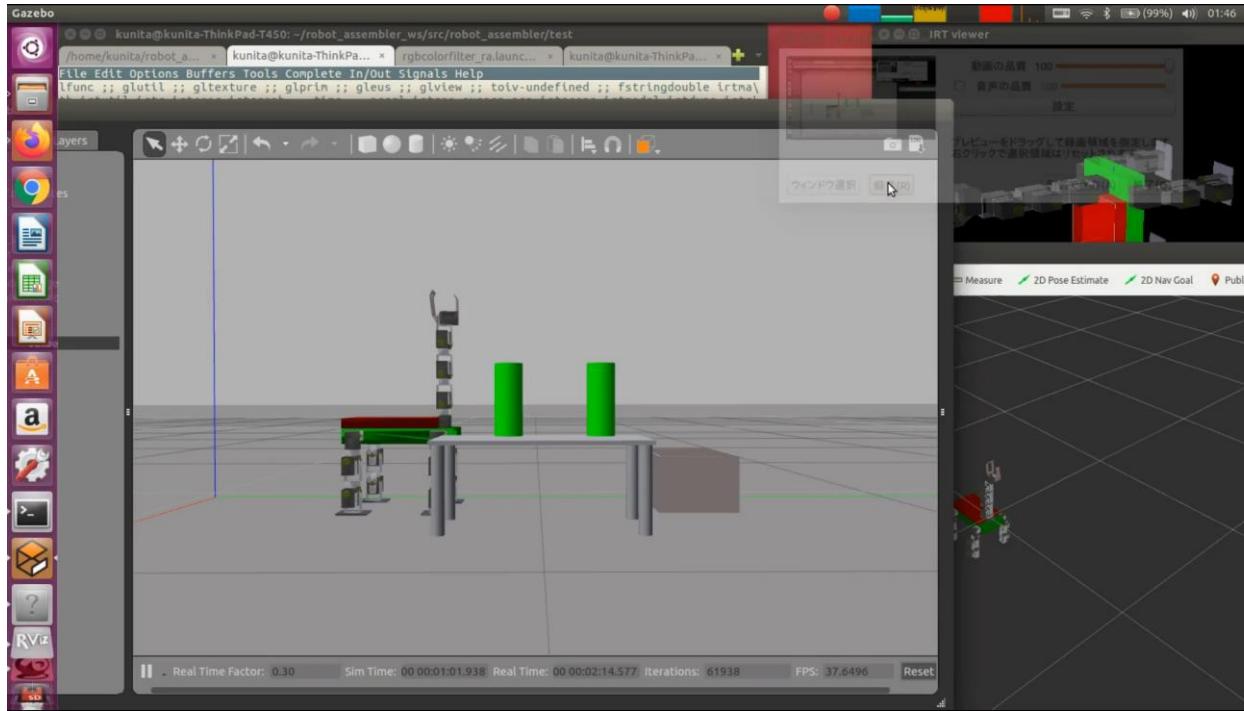
Panel : parts selection
list for building robot

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Panel : parts information

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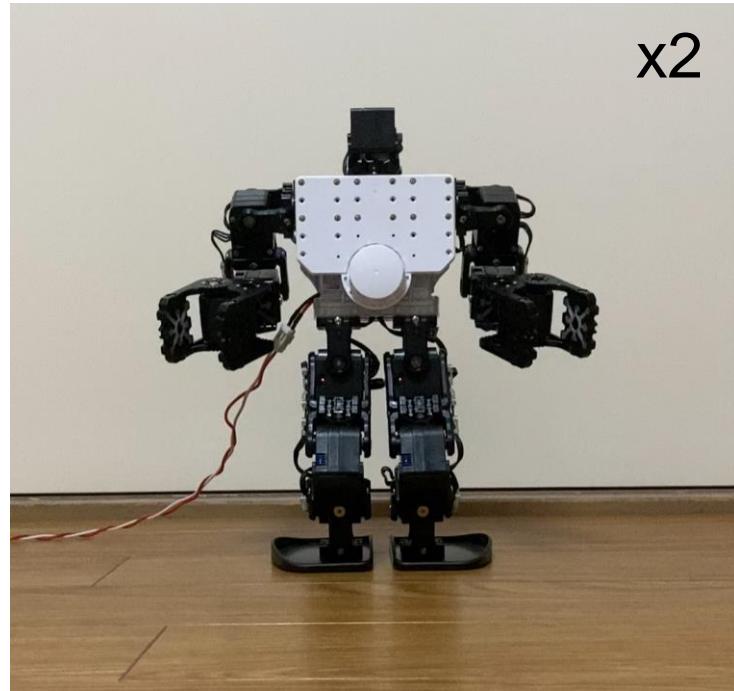
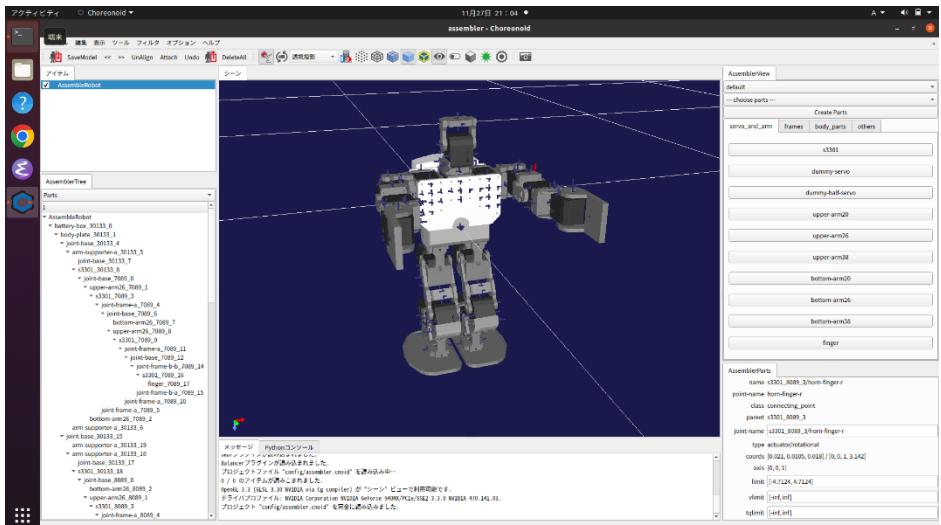
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- Verify configured robot in simulation and in real world



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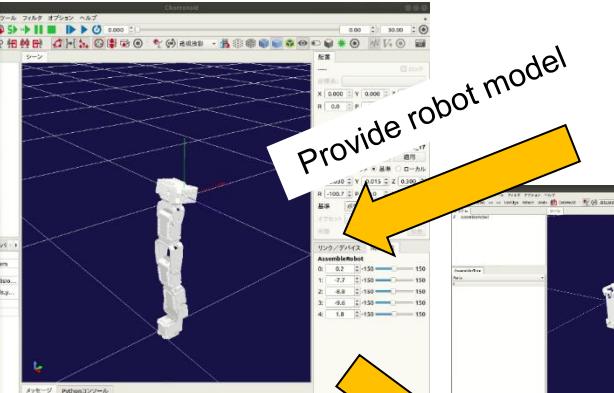
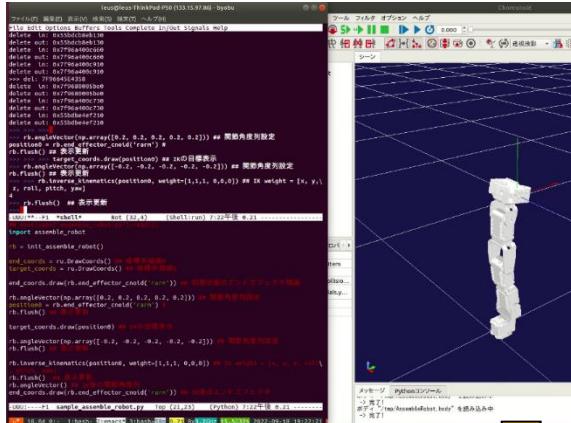
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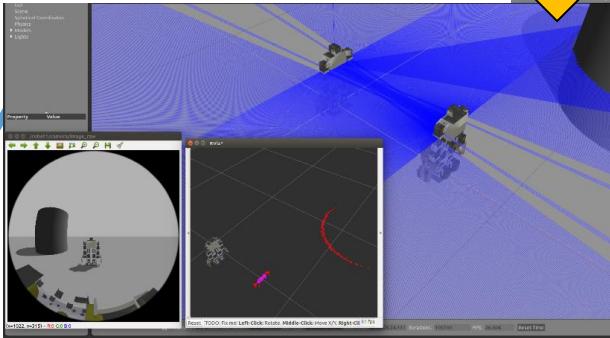
Education of Robot System using Choreonoid

Interactive Robot Programming

(Building behavior while verifying the motion of the robot)



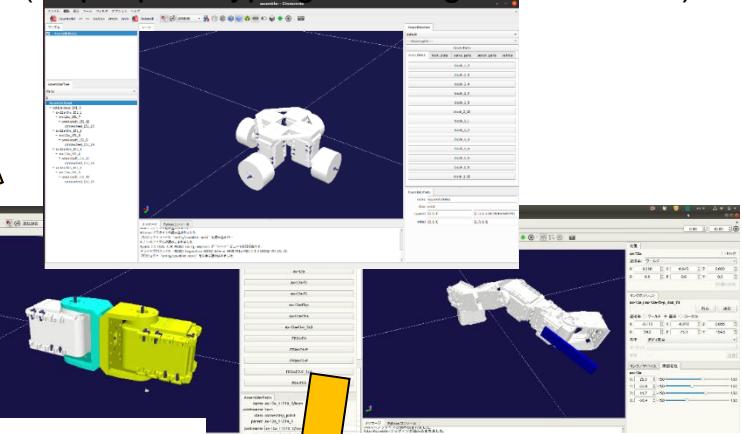
Verify motion by simulator



Provide robot model

Verify motion by real robot

Robot assembler
(Rapid prototyping of configurable robots)

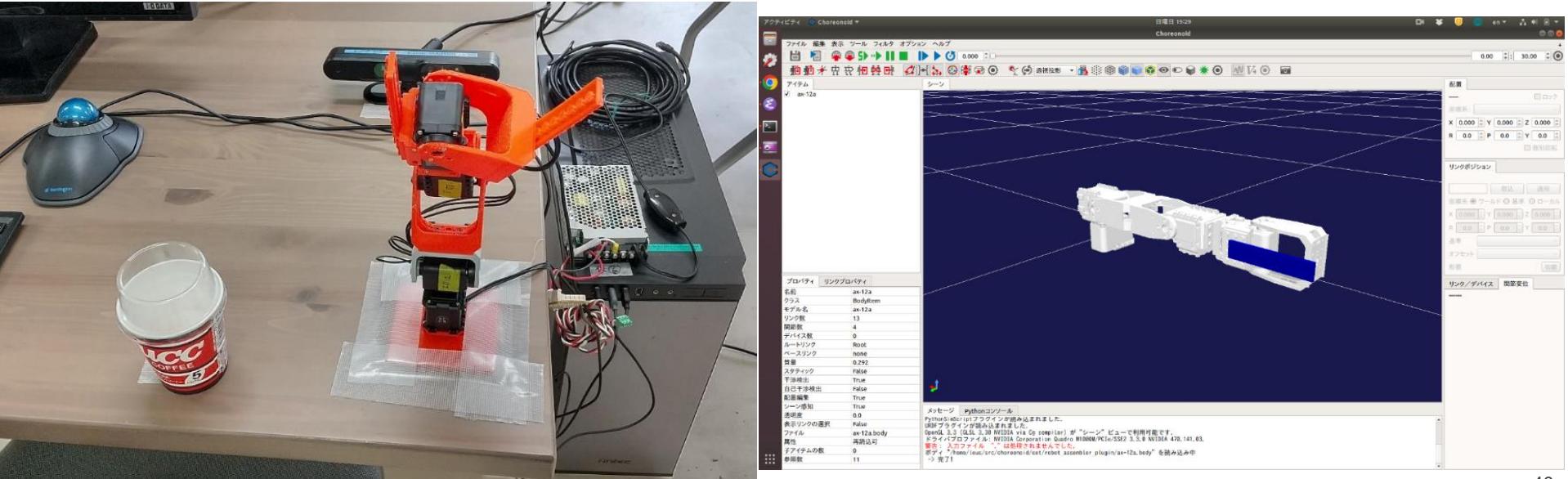


Assemble real robot



Education of Robot System using Choreonoid

- 1 week experiential learning
- For 3rd year undergraduate student
 - No familiarity with robot programming



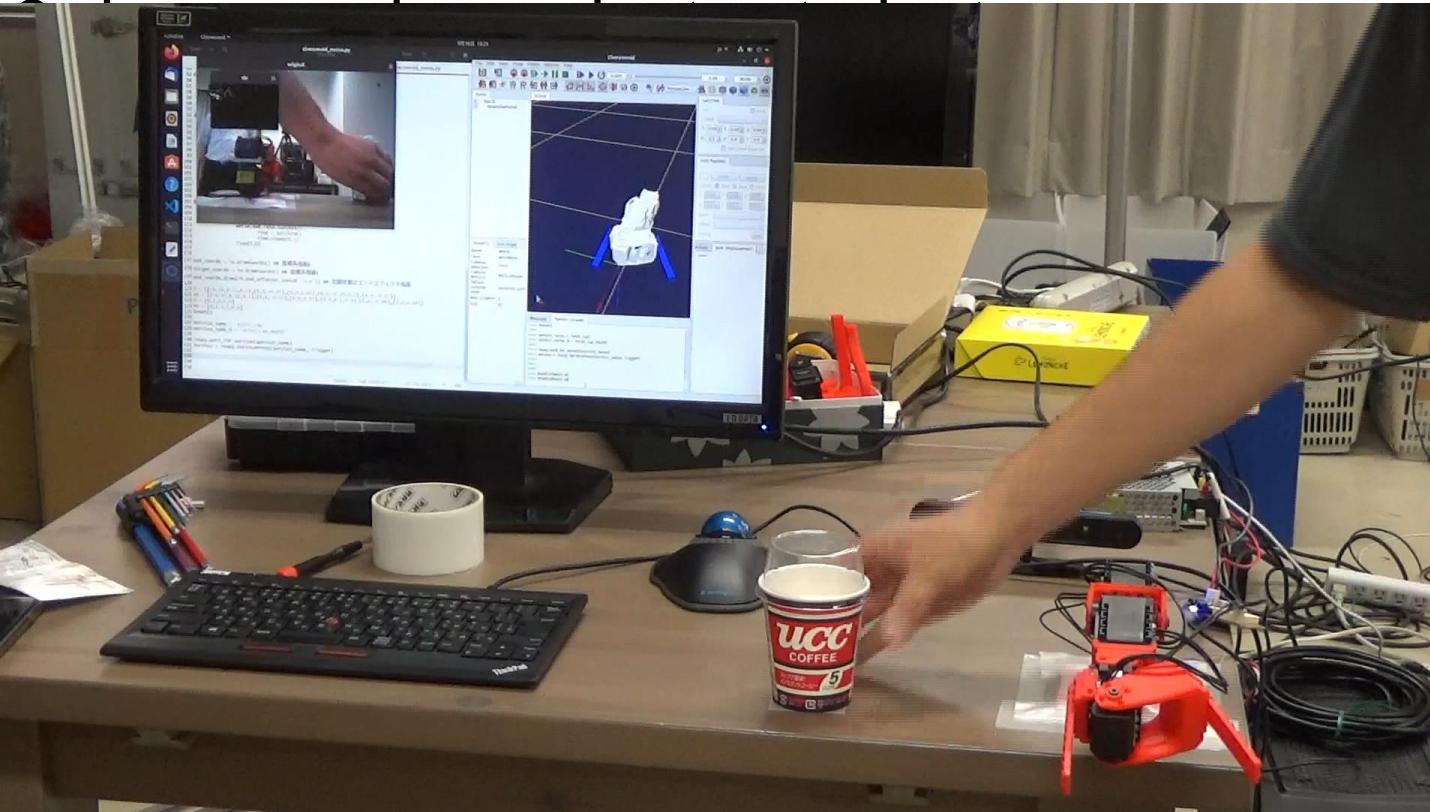
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- 1 week experiential learning

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Interactive Robot Programming

The image shows a dual-monitor setup. The left monitor displays a terminal window titled 'byobu' with Japanese menu options. The terminal content is a Python script for robot assembly, including imports, variable definitions, and kinematics calculations. The right monitor displays a 3D simulation environment for a robot named 'Choreonoid'. The 3D view shows a grid-based workspace with a robot model. On the right side of the 3D interface, there are various configuration panels for joints, links, and devices.

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## exec(open('assemble_robot.py').read())
import assemble_robot

rb = init_assemble_robot()

end_coords = ru.DrawCoords() ## 座標系描画
target_coords = ru.DrawCoords() ## 目標座標系描画

end_coords.draw(rb.end_effector_cnode('arm')) ## 初期状態のエンドエフェクタ描画

rb.angleVector(np.array([0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2])) ## 関節角度列設定
position0 = rb.end_effector_cnode('arm') #
rb.flush() ## 表示更新

target_coords.draw(position0) ## IKの目標表示

rb.angleVector(np.array([-0.2, -0.2, -0.2, -0.2, -0.2])) ## 関節角度列設定
rb.flush() ## 表示更新

rb.inverse_kinematics(position0, weight=[1,1,1, 0,0,0]) ## IK weight = [x, y, z, roll\
, pitch, yaw]
rb.flush() ## 表示更新
rb.angleVector() ## IK後の関節角度列
end_coords.draw(rb.end_effector_cnode('arm')) ## IK後のエンドエフェクタ描画

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ツール フィルタ オプション ヘルプ

シーン

配置

リンクポジション

AssembleRobot / ax-12a-f3-p_271_17

座標系: ワールド 基準 ローカル

基準 ボディ原点

オフセット

形態

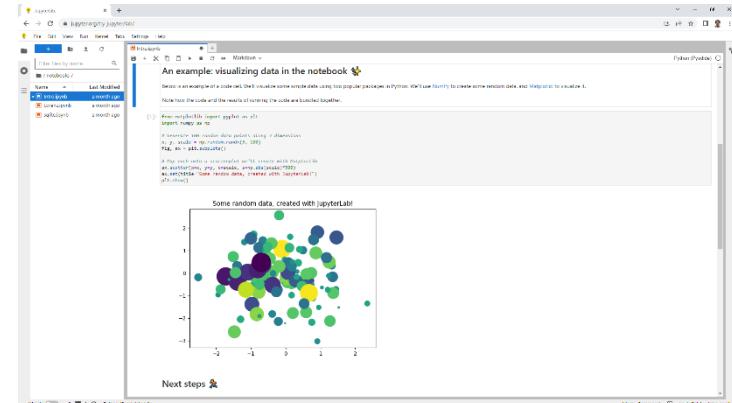
リンク/デバイス 関節変位

メッセージ Pythonコンソール

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ボディ "tmp/AssembleRobot.body" を読み込み中
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An example: visualizing data in the notebook 

Below is an example of a code cell. We'll visualize some simple data using two popular packages in Python. We'll use NumPy to create some random data, and Matplotlib to visualize it.

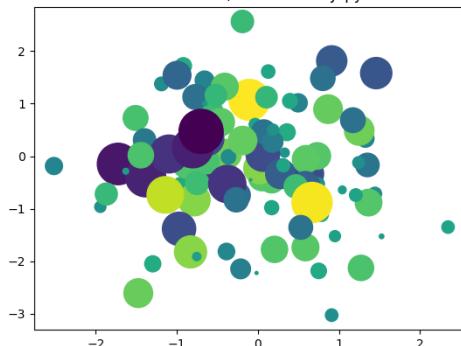
Note how the code and the results of running the code are bundled together.

```
[1]: from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

# Generate 100 random data points along 3 dimensions
x, y, scale = np.random.randn(3, 100)
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Map each onto a scatterplot we'll create with Matplotlib
ax.scatter(x=x, y=y, c=scale, s=np.abs(scale)*500)
ax.set(title="Some random data, created with JupyterLab!")
plt.show()
```

Some random data, created with JupyterLab!



Next steps 

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- Implement Jupyter kernel using xeus
 - <https://github.com/jupyter-xeus/xeus>
 - C++ interface library
- Implement Choreonoid Plugin
 - https://github.com/IRSL-tut/jupyter_plugin
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