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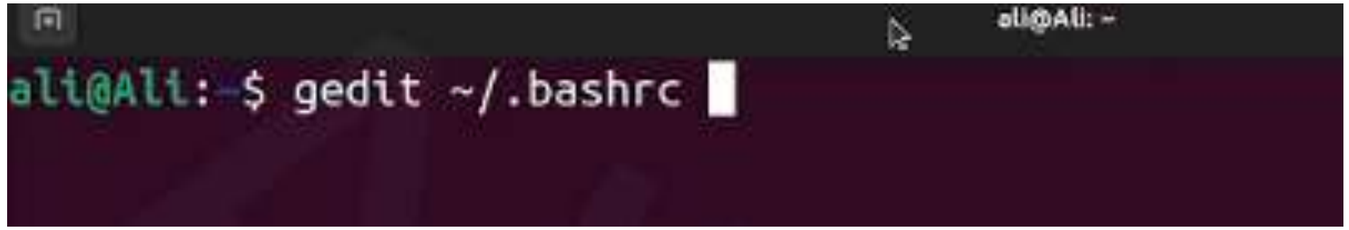
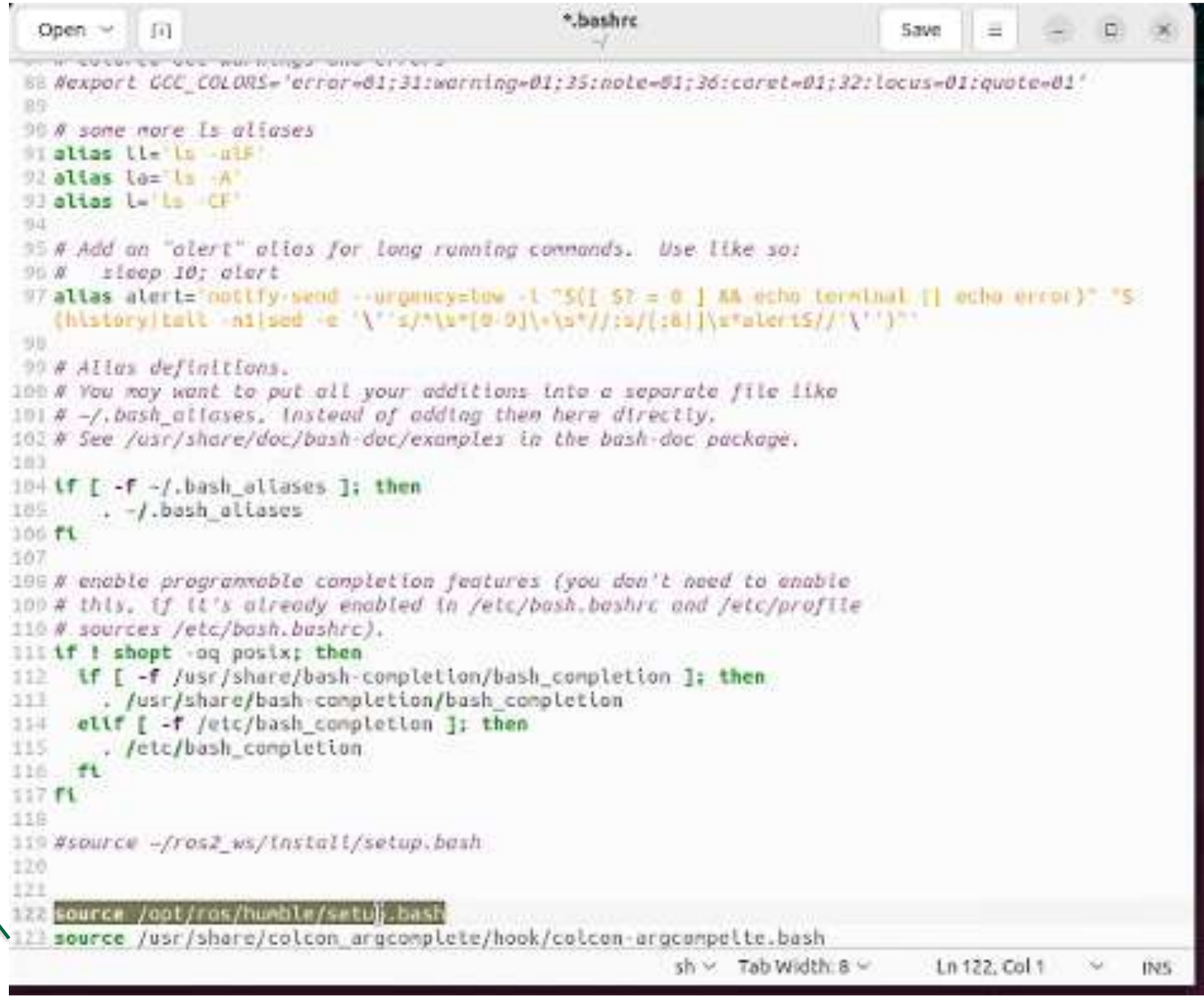
Auto Sourcing your packages

- We need to edit the bashrc file



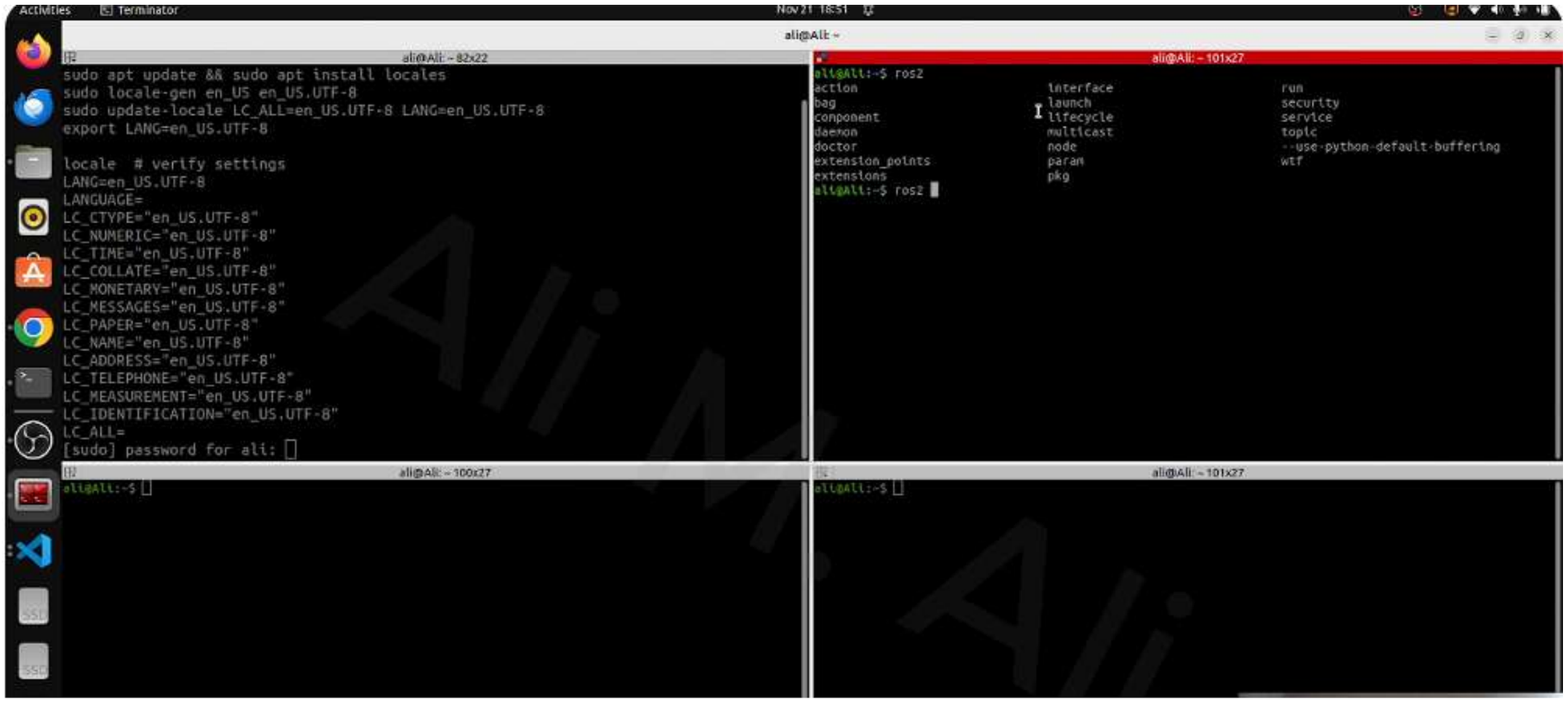
Add line
122 +123
and save
the file

- Line 122 to auto source humble
- Line 123 for the autocomplete tool in Colcon (using double tab)



Terminator

- Install it using sudo apt in terminator. Type terminator and split the terminals.
- This will allow you to work on more than one terminal in an easier setting.

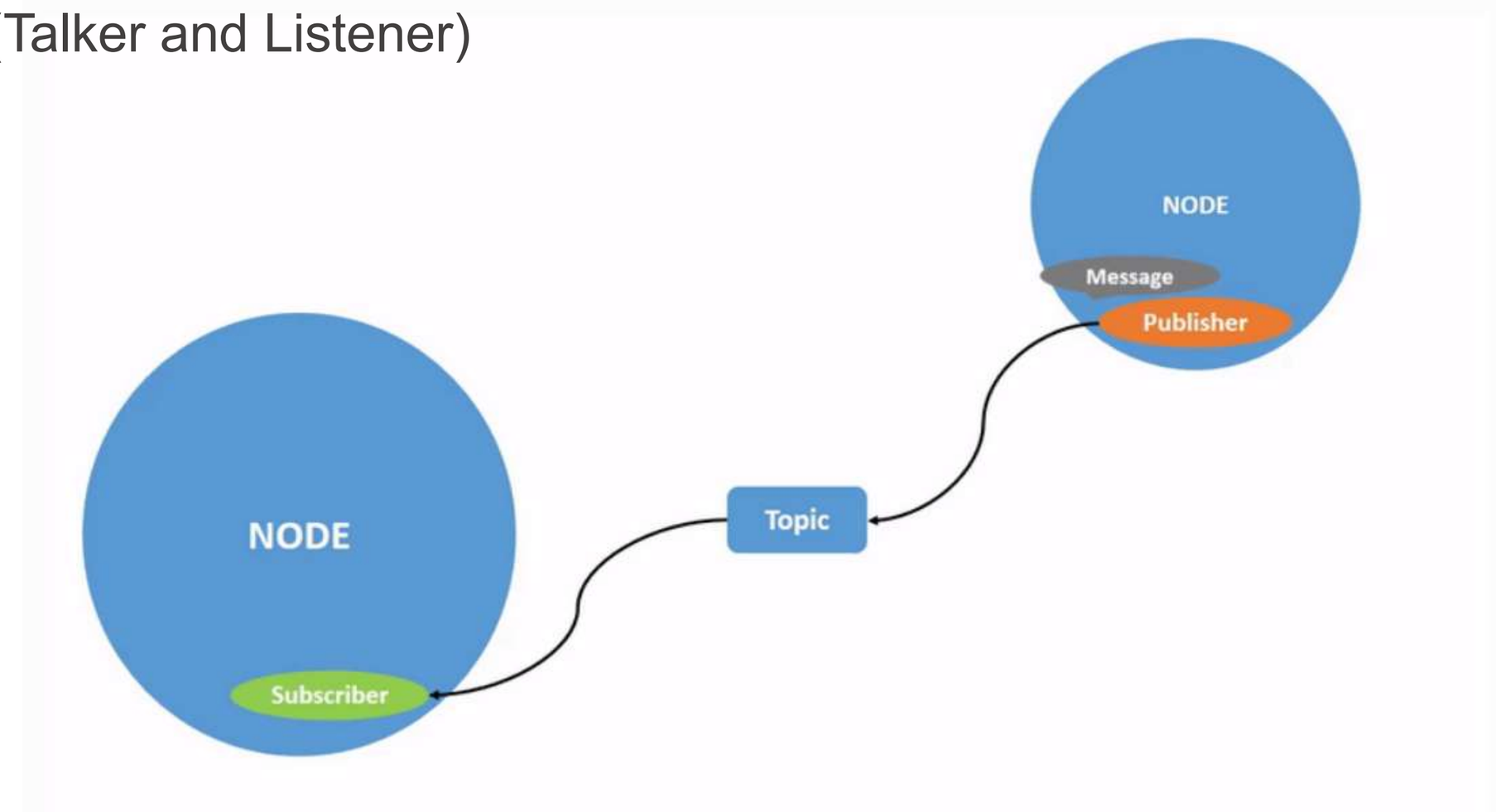


Nodes communication

- 1) Publish and subscribe with topics.
- 2) Service
- 3) Actions

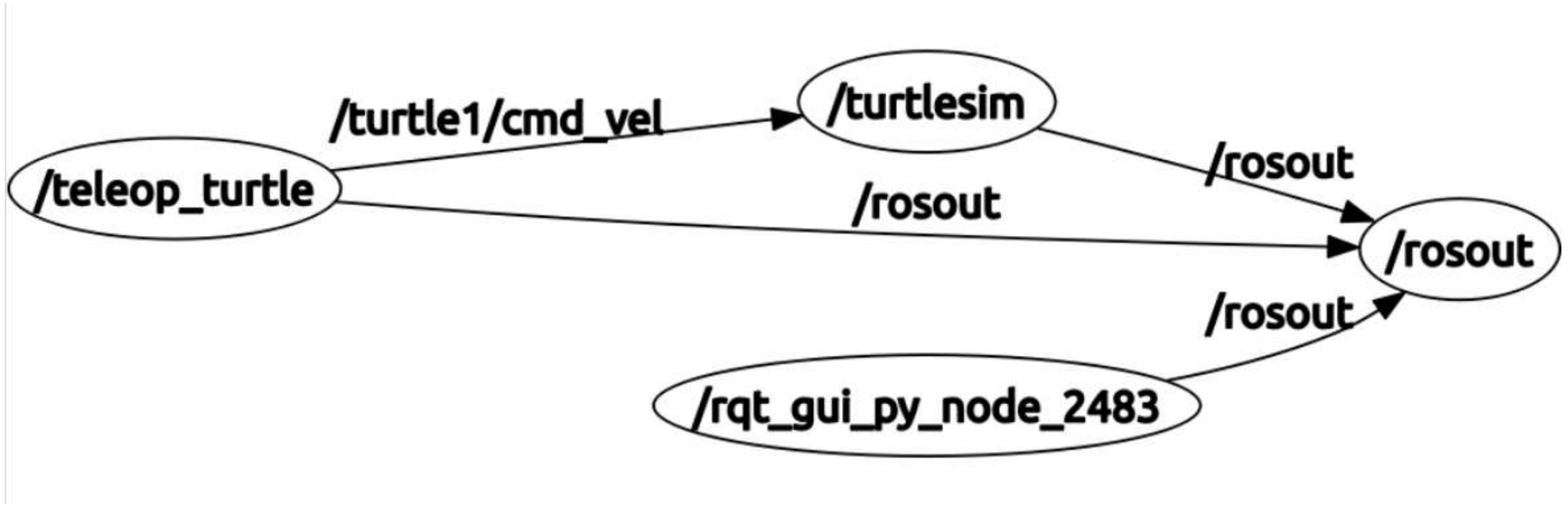
1) Topics

- Recall the demo nodes in the pervious slides that prints hello world everything second (Talker and Listener)



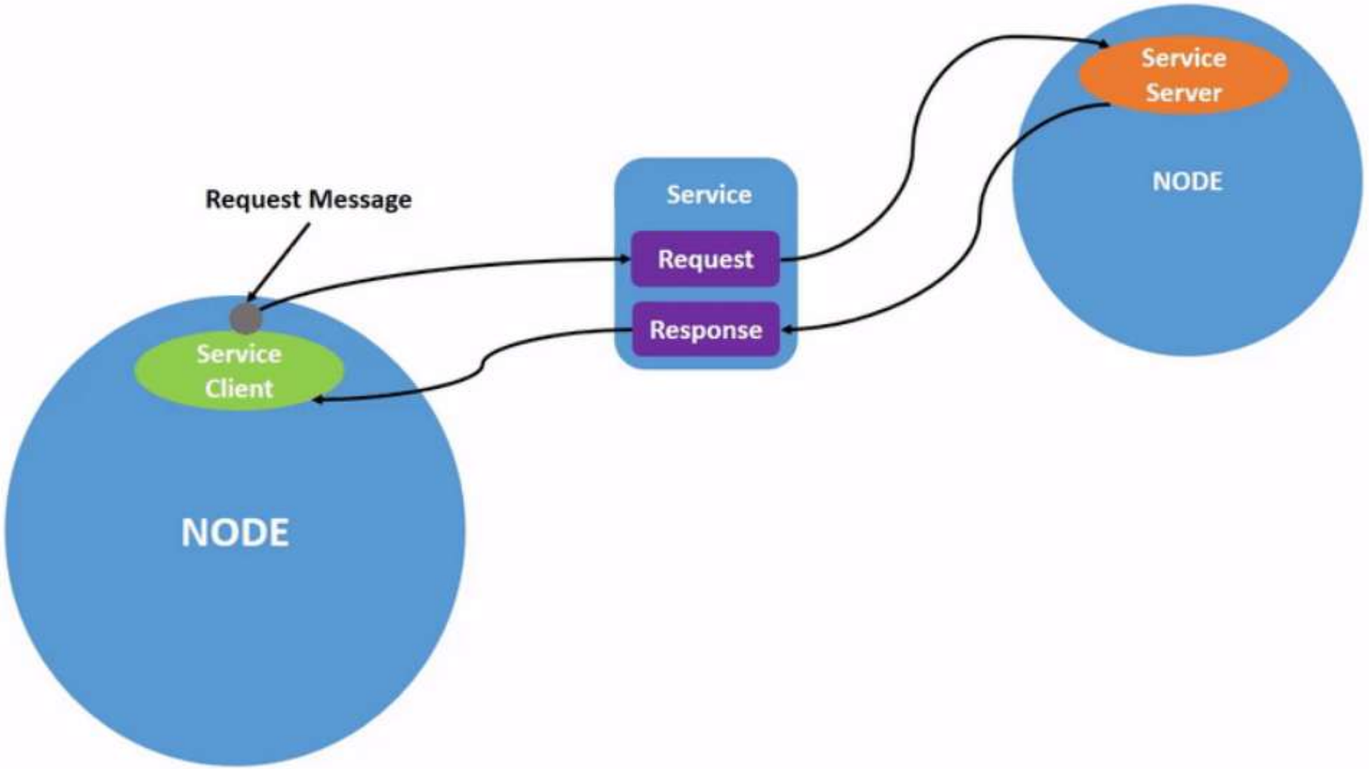
Rqt Graphs

- ros2 run rqt_graph rqt_graph
- It is used to visualize the communication between the nodes/packages



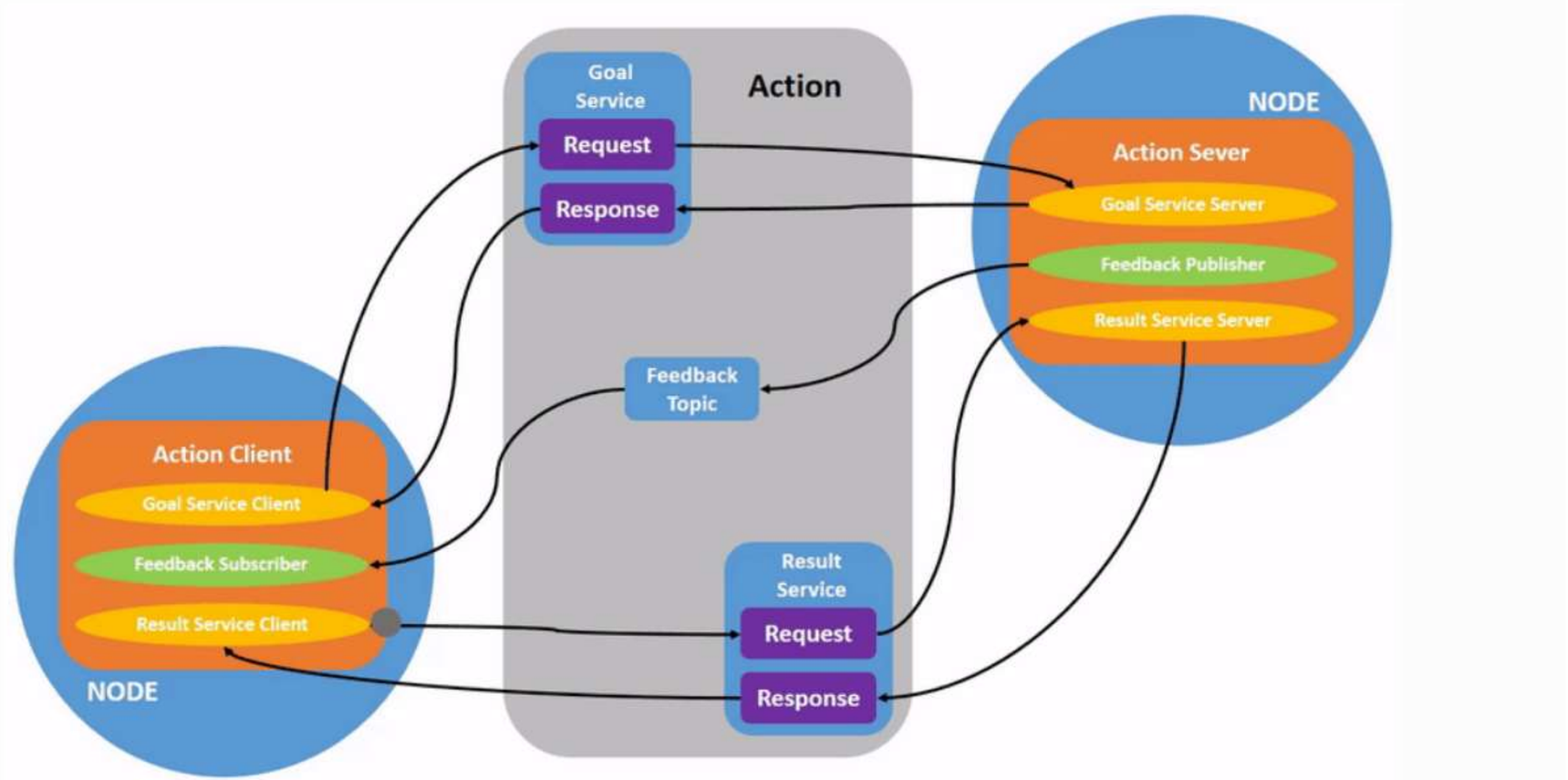
2) Service

Services are another method of communication for nodes in the ROS graph. Services are based on a call-and-response model versus the publisher-subscriber model of topics. While topics allow nodes to subscribe to data streams and get continual updates, services only provide data when they are specifically called by a client.



3) Action

Actions use a client-server model, similar to the publisher-subscriber model (described in the topics tutorial). 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.



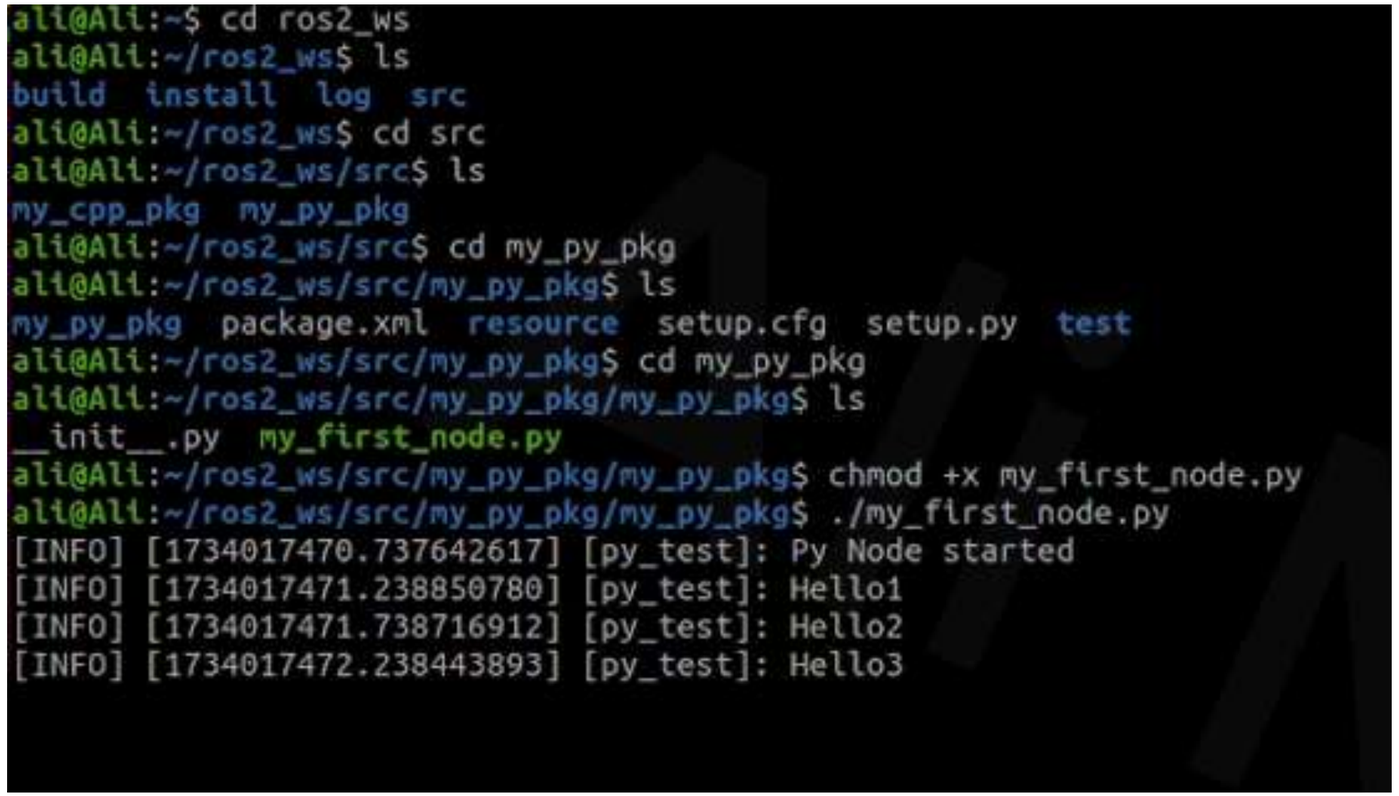
How to Install and Run your First Node ?

my_py_pkg > my_first_node.py > ...

```python
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import rclpy # import of the python interface with ros2
from rclpy.node import Node # use the class called Node in rclpy


class MyNode(Node):  # define the MyNode class
    def __init__(self): # initialize the class
        super().__init__("py_test")  # call the parent class constructor from the Node class
        self.counter_ = 0 # initialize the counter value to be one
        self.get_logger().info("Py Node started")  # initialize the log
        self.create_timer(0.5, self.timer_callback) # initialize a timer with 2 hertz to do timer_ca

    def timer_callback(self): # define the timer_callback function
        self.counter_ += 1    # add +1 to the counter
        self.get_logger().info("Hello" + str(self.counter_))  # write Hello + new counter value


def main(args=None): # define the main function
    rclpy.init(args=args)  # initialize the ros2 commuincation
    node = MyNode()     # create an instance of the class called MyNode (we need to build it)
    rclpy.spin(node)      # keep the node running untill we kill it
    rclpy.shutdown()  # shutdown the ros2 commuincation


if __name__ == "__main__":  # standard python line to execute the main function
    main()
```

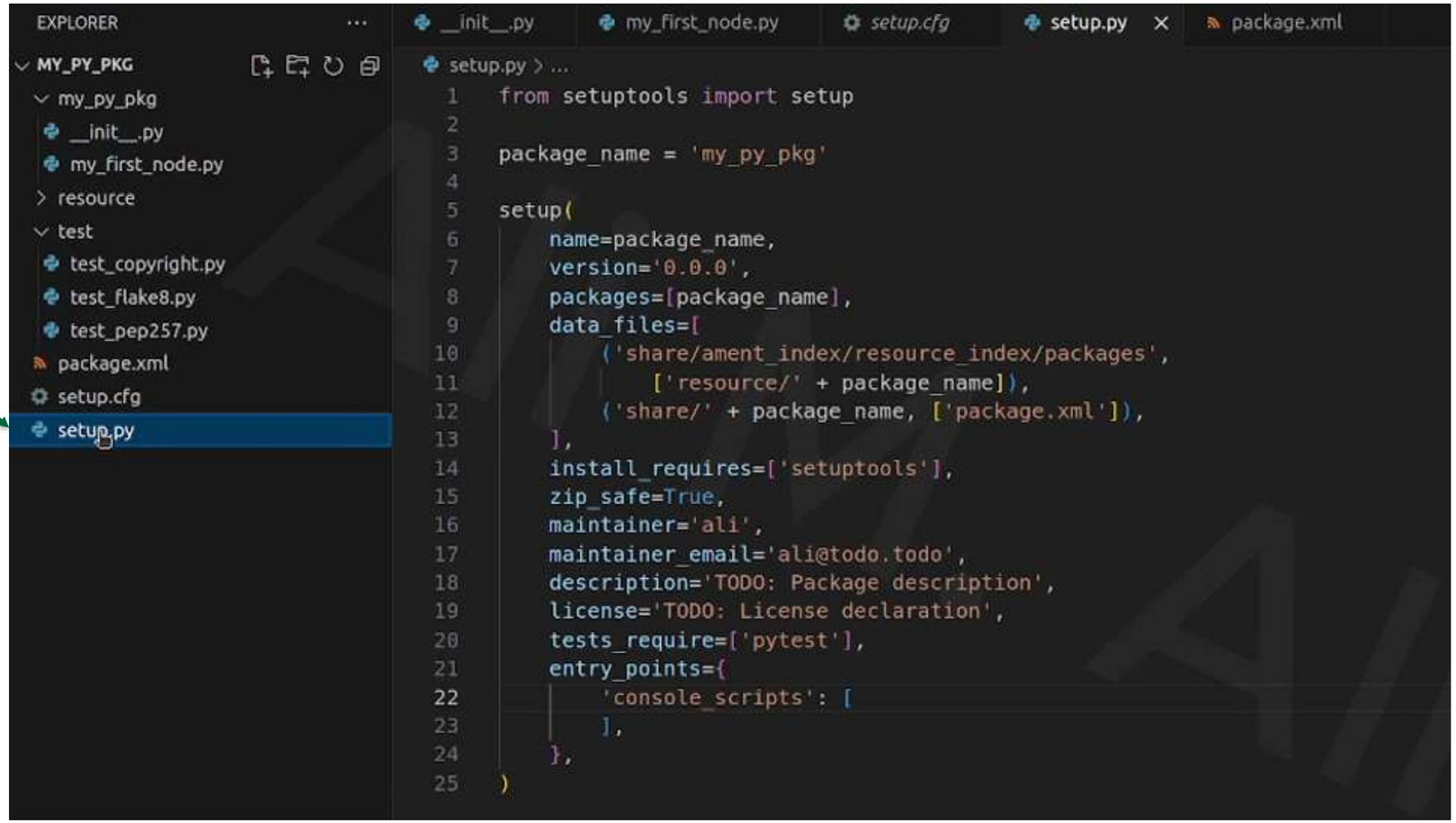
Running your First Node

- Make sure that you saved the code first.
- Then mark the code as an executable file as follows:



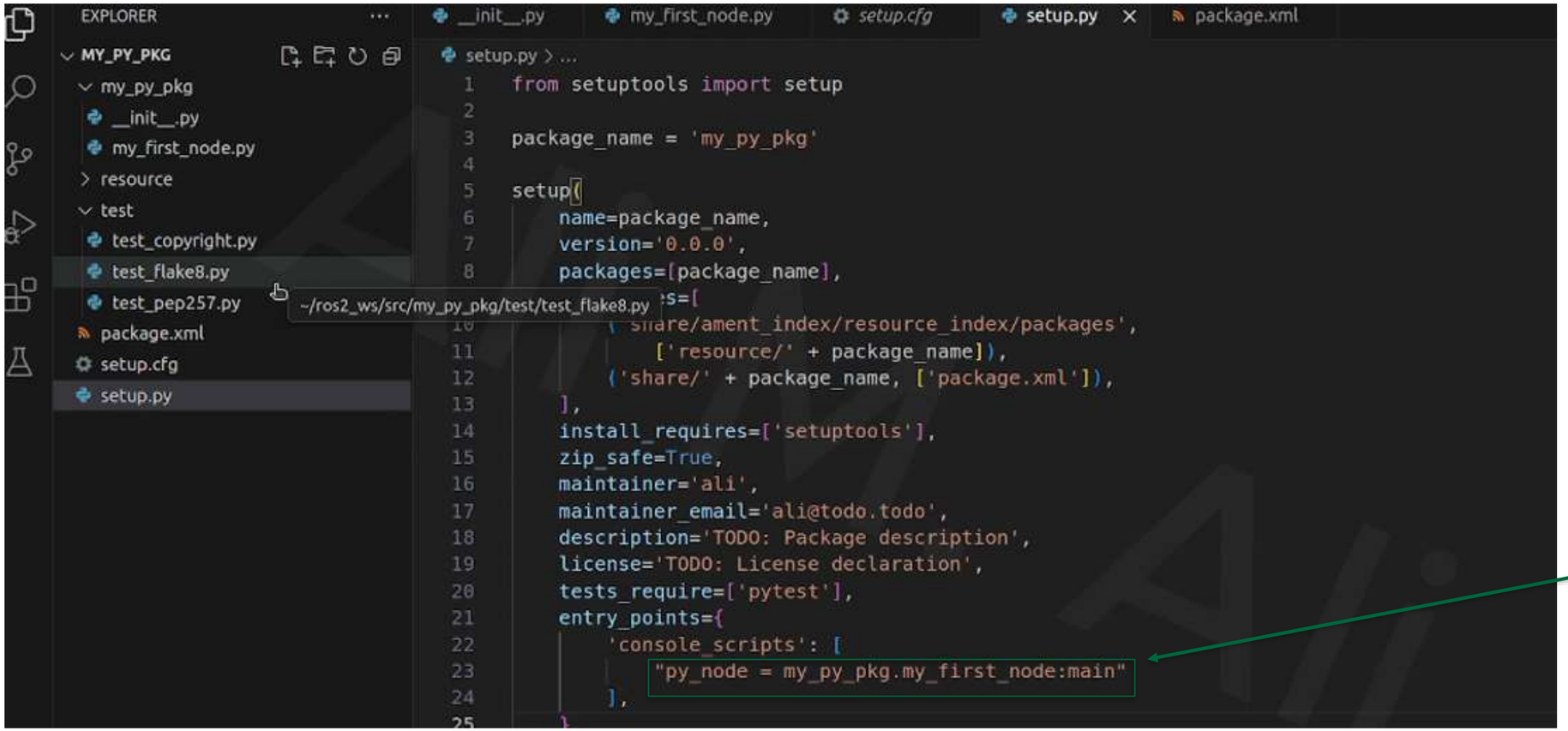
Installing your First Node

- Go to the setup code inside your IDE



Installing your First Node

Add this line (see the green arrow). Don't forget to save the setup code.



Installing your First Node

- We need to rebuild the package again after these modifications using Colcon Build

```
ali@Ali:~$ cd ros2_es
bash: cd: ros2_es: No such file or directory
ali@Ali:~$ cd ros2_ws
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws$ colcon build
Starting >>> my_cpp_pkg
Starting >>> my_py_pkg
Finished <<< my_cpp_pkg [0.22s]
Finished <<< my_py_pkg [0.57s]

Summary: 2 packages finished [0.74s]
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws$ ls
build  install  log  src
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws$ cd install
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install$ ls
COLCON_IGNORE      _local_setup_util_ps1.py  my_py_pkg   setup.zsh
local_setup.bash   _local_setup_util_sh.py   setup.bash
local_setup.ps1    local_setup.zsh           setup.ps1
local_setup.sh     my_cpp_pkg                setup.sh
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install$ cd my_py_pkg
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg$ ls
lib  share
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg$ cd lib
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg/lib$ ls
my_py_pkg  python3.10
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg/lib$ cd my_py_pkg
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg/lib/my_py_pkg$ ls
py_node
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws/install/my_py_pkg/lib/my_py_pkg$ ./py_node
[INFO] [1734017746.687411191] [py_test]: Py Node started
[INFO] [1734017747.188675280] [py_test]: Hello1
```

Installing your First Node

- Now Finally, we can run our custom build Node

```
ali@Ali:~$ terminator
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ali@Ali:~$ terminator
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ali@Ali:~$ cd rosw_ws
bash: cd: rosw_ws: No such file or directory
ali@Ali:~$ cd ros2_ws
ali@Ali:~/ros2_ws$ ros2 run my_py_pkg py_node
[INFO] [1734017817.955760168] [py_test]: Py Node started
[INFO] [1734017818.457085635] [py_test]: Hello1
[INFO] [1734017818.956590534] [py_test]: Hello2
[INFO] [1734017819.456739212] [py_test]: Hello3
```