

# Robot Operating System (ROS)

## Lab 1: Introduction to ROS



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# WHY ROS NOW!



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## Preferred Qualifications

- 10+ years of experience conducting R&D in computer vision and machine learning
- 5+ years of experience leading R&D projects that include highly talented teams responsible for developing and owning complex algorithms that go beyond the state of the art.
- 5+ years of experience managing R&D teams.
- 5+ years of experience shipping computer vision based products.
- Experience in the design, development, evaluation, deployment and updating of multiple robotic based computer vision and deep learning solutions.
- Experience in creating the right culture and environment to ensure a diverse group of people and skillsets can flourish and deliver true breakthrough science and innovation
- Experience in influencing and collaborating effectively across all levels of the organization.
- **Experience with ROS**
- Experience with computer vision libraries such as PCL, OpenCV
- Experience in CPU / GPU performance analysis and optimization

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**PS Engineering - Robotics**

Procter & Gamble

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Medical benefit

## Qualifications

### REQUIRED:

- BS or MS degree in Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, Robotics, Mechanical, or Software Engineering.
- These positions are entry-level with up to 4 years work experience.

### PREFERRED:

- Proven experience in the Robotics Engineering field
- Engineering experience in design, coding, testing, deployment and support.
- CAD design and robotics simulation.
- **ROS (Robot Operating Systems)** open source programming.
- computer programming languages, such as Python and C++, Linux operating systems.
- Experience in computer vision technology and industrial vision systems such as Cognex, National Instrument and Keyence.
- Experience with industrial PLC, especially with Rockwell Control Logix platforms.
- Experience with computer and industrial networks.
- Experience with robotics and autonomous mobile vehicle safety requirements and validation.

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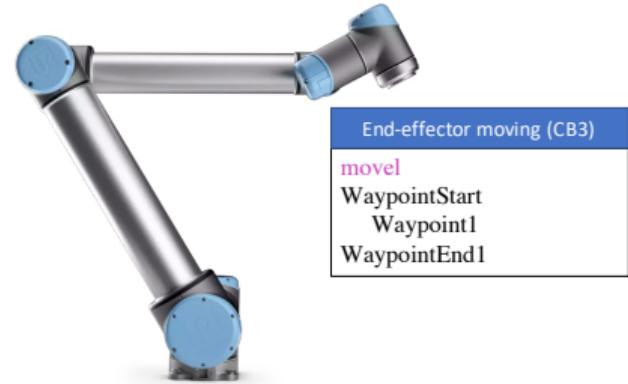
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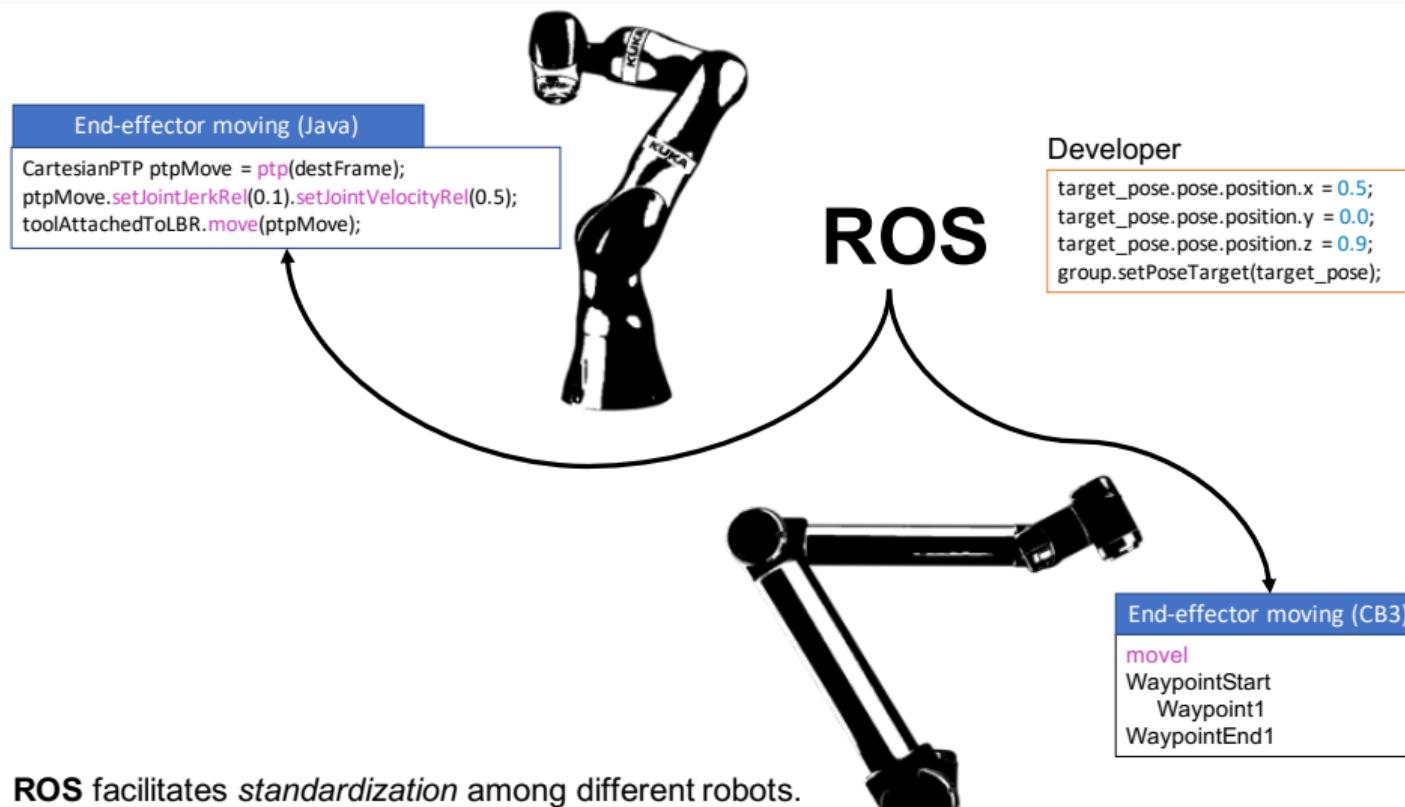


End-effector moving (CB3)

```
move!  
WaypointStart  
Waypoint1  
WaypointEnd1
```



# ROBOT OPERATING SYSTEM (ROS):



ROS facilitates standardization among different robots.

# OUTLINE

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1. What is and why ROS?
2. ROS architecture and philosophy.
3. ROS master, nodes, topics, and messages.

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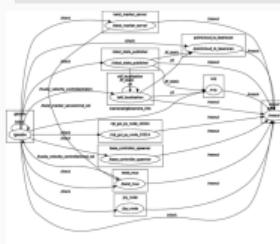
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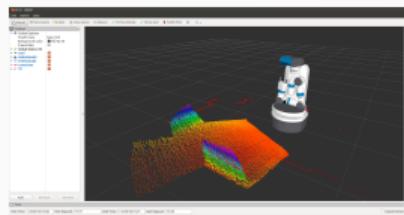
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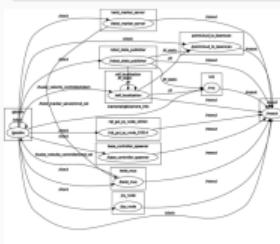
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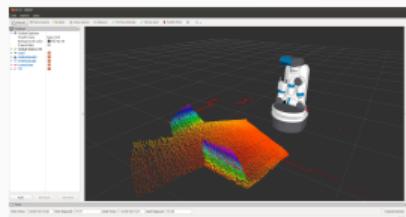
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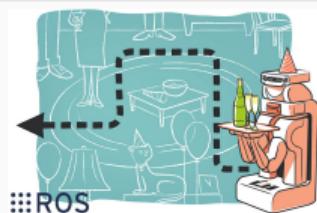
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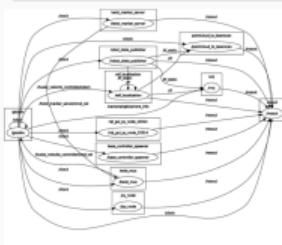
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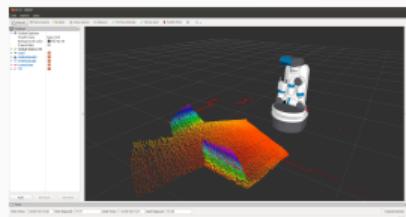
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### Community

- Packaging
- Software distribution
- Documentation
- Tutorials

# HISTORY OF ROS.

- Originally developed in 2007 at the Stanford Artificial Intelligence Laboratory.
- Since 2013 managed by OSRF (open robotics).
- Today used by many robots, universities and companies.



ros.org

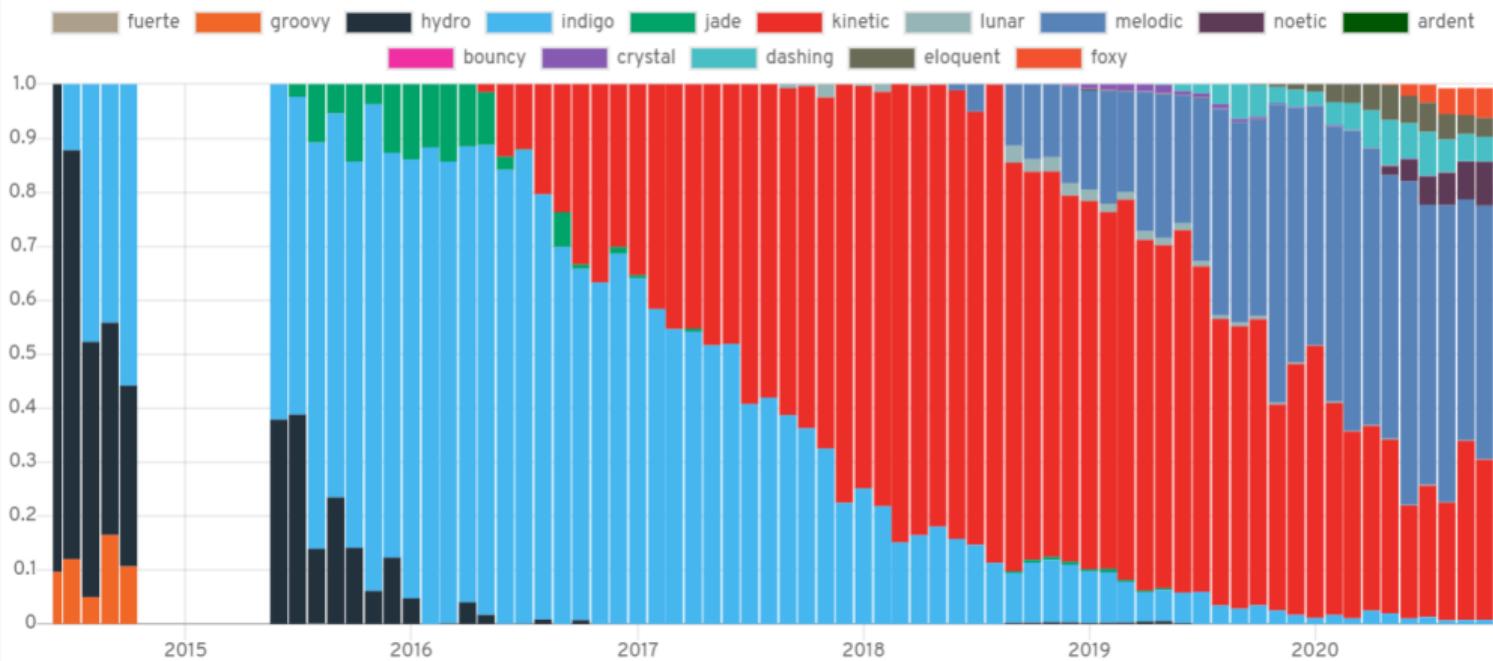
# ROS DISTRIBUTIONS.

Distro	Release date	Poster	Tuturtle, turtle in tutorial
ROS Noetic Ninjemys <small>(Recommended)</small>	May 23rd, 2020		
ROS Melodic Morenia	May 23rd, 2018		
ROS Lunar Loggerhead	May 23rd, 2017		
ROS Kinetic Kame	May 23rd, 2016		
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ROS Hydro Medusa	September 4th, 2013		

ROS Groovy Galapagos	December 31, 2012		
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ROS Electric Emys	August 30, 2011		
ROS Diamondback	March 2, 2011		
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# ROS DISTRIBUTIONS OVER TIME.

## ROS Distro Usage by packages.ros.org traffic



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# ROS AS A META-OPERATING SYSTEM

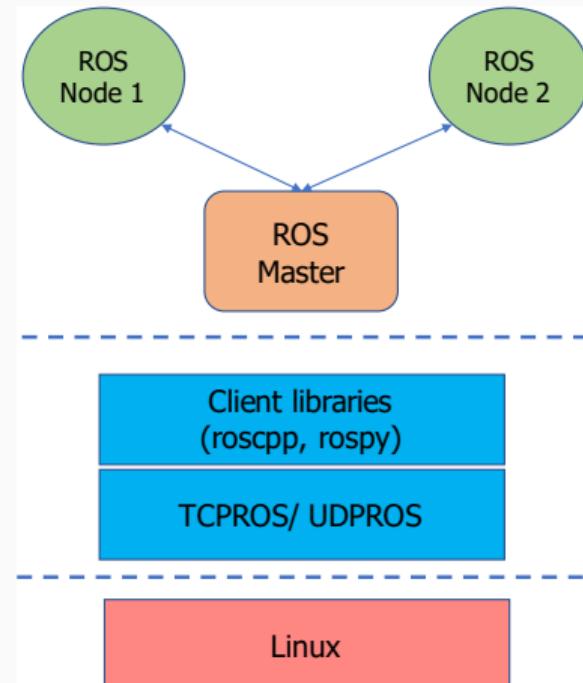


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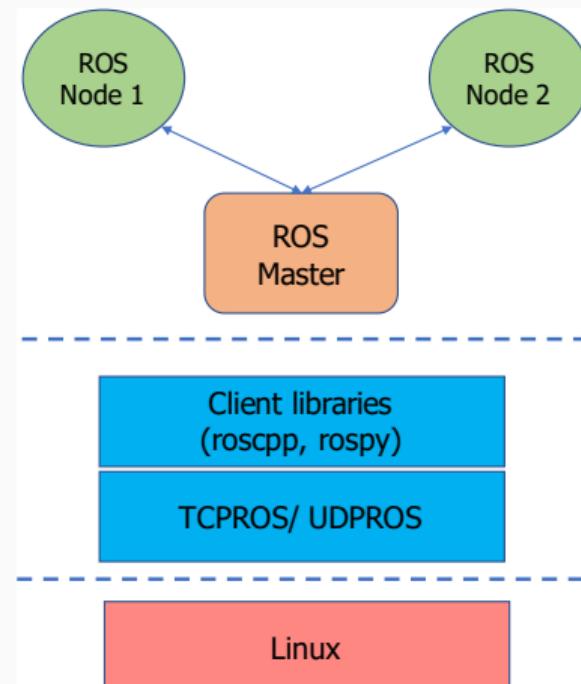
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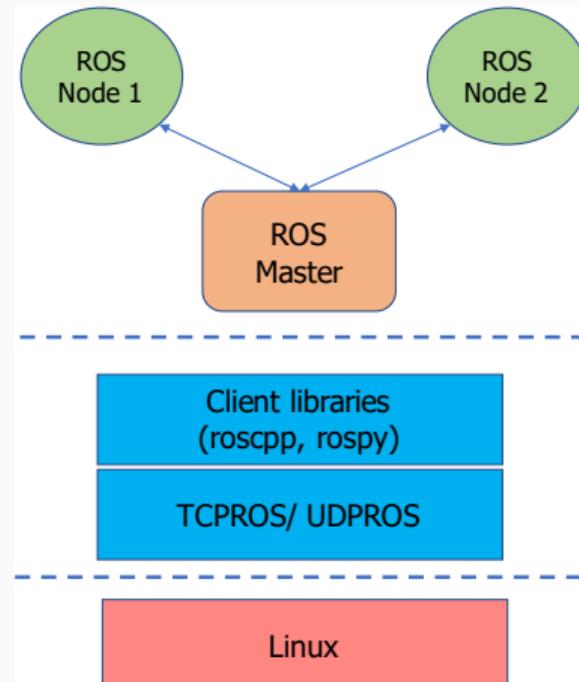
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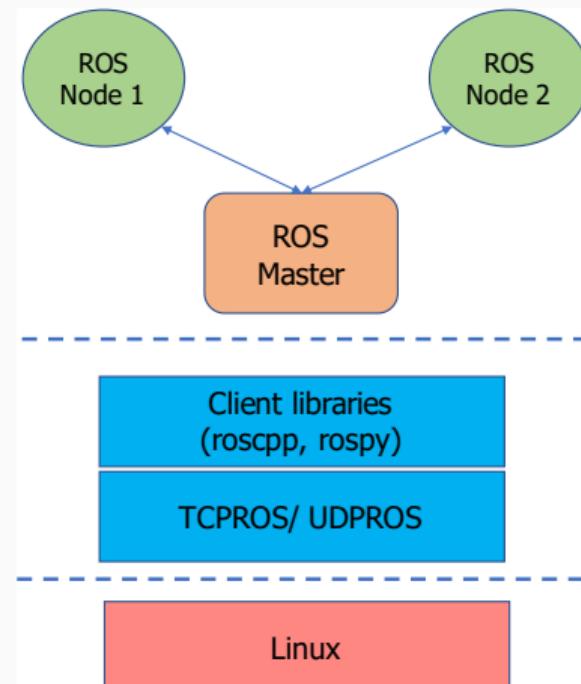
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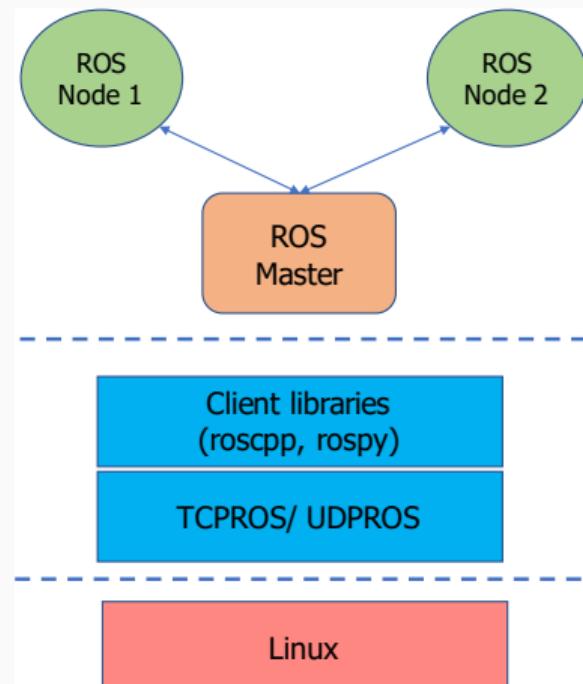
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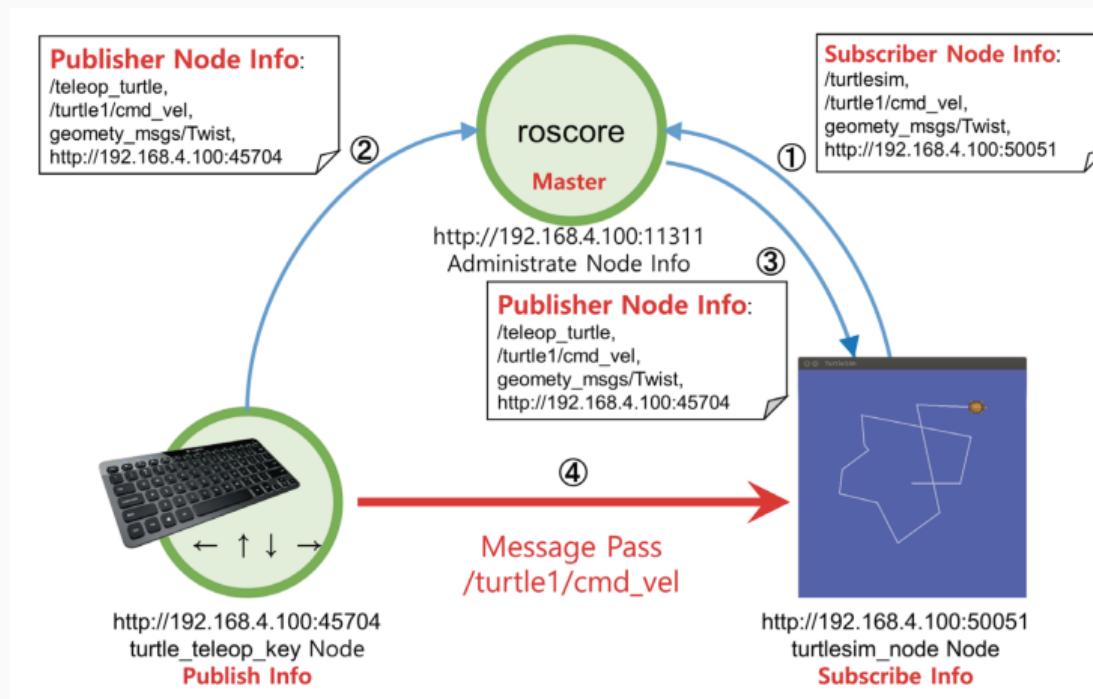
ROS 1 is supported by Linux OS.



## **ROS master, nodes, topics, and messages.**

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# ROS BASIC CONCEPT:



## ROS DEMO: TURTLESIM

1. Run ROS master:

```
$ roscore
```

2. Run **turtlesim** node in turtlesim package:

```
rosrun [package_name] [node_name]
```

```
$ rosrun turtlesim turtlesim_node
```

3. Run **turtle\_teleop\_key** node:

```
$ rosrun turtlesim turtle_teleop_key
```



```
user:~$ rosrun turtlesim turtle_teleop_key
Reading from keyboard
-----
Use arrow keys to move the turtle. 'q' to quit.
s
```

## ROS DEMO: TURTLESIM

1. List all the running nodes

```
$ rosnode list
```

/rosout  
/teleop\_turtle  
/turtlesim

2. Get info about a certain node:

```
$ rosnode info turtlesim_node
```

```
Node [/turtlesim]
Publications:
* /rosout [rosgraph_msgs/Log]
* /turtle1/color_sensor [turtlesim/Color]
* /turtle1/pose [turtlesim/Pose]

Subscriptions:
* /clock [rosgraph_msgs/Clock]
* /turtle1/cmd_vel [geometry_msgs/Twist]

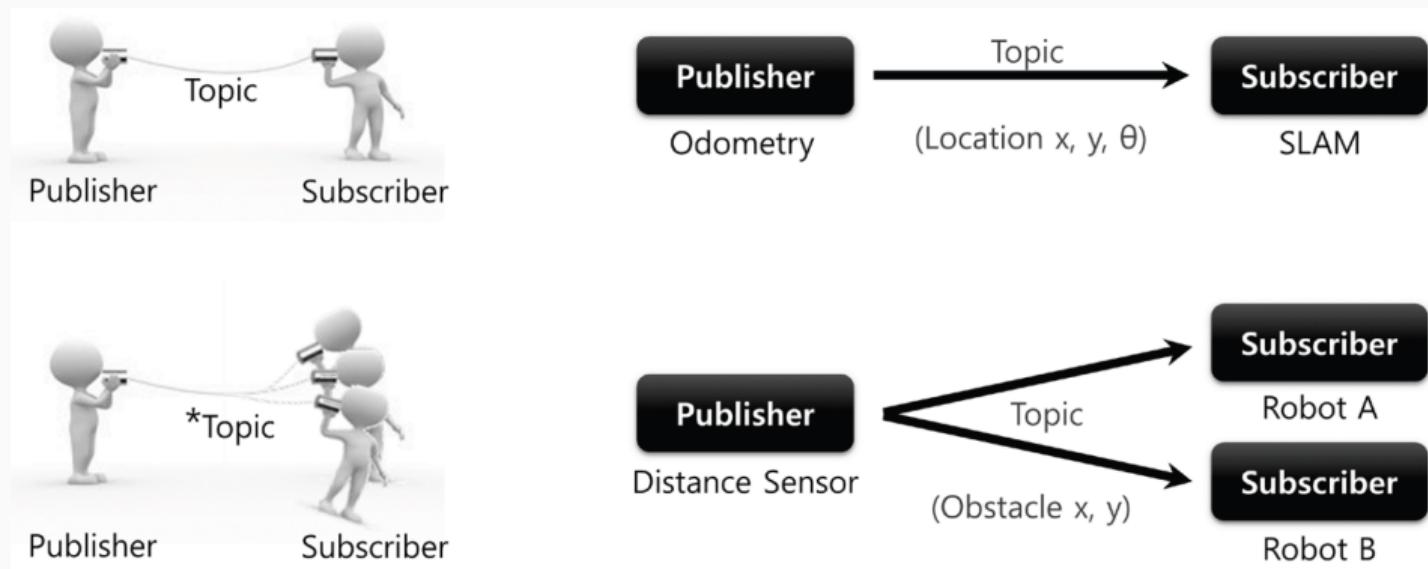
Services:
* /clear
* /kill
* /reset
* /spawn
* /turtle1/set_pen
* /turtle1/teleport_absolute
* /turtle1/teleport_relative
* /turtlesim/get_loggers
* /turtlesim/set_logger_level
```

3. Visualize nodes communication:

```
$ rqt_graph
```



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ROS topics are unidirectional and allow communication of 1:N, N:1 or N:N.

# ROS DEMO: TURTLESIM

1. List all running ROS topics:

```
$ rostopic list
```

```
/rosout  
/rosout_agg  
/turtle1/cmd_vel  
/turtle1/color_sensor  
  
/turtle1/pose
```

2. Get information about a certain topic:

```
$ rostopic info /turtle1/cmd_vel
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3. Get information about a certain message:

```
$ rosmsg show geometry_msgs/Twist
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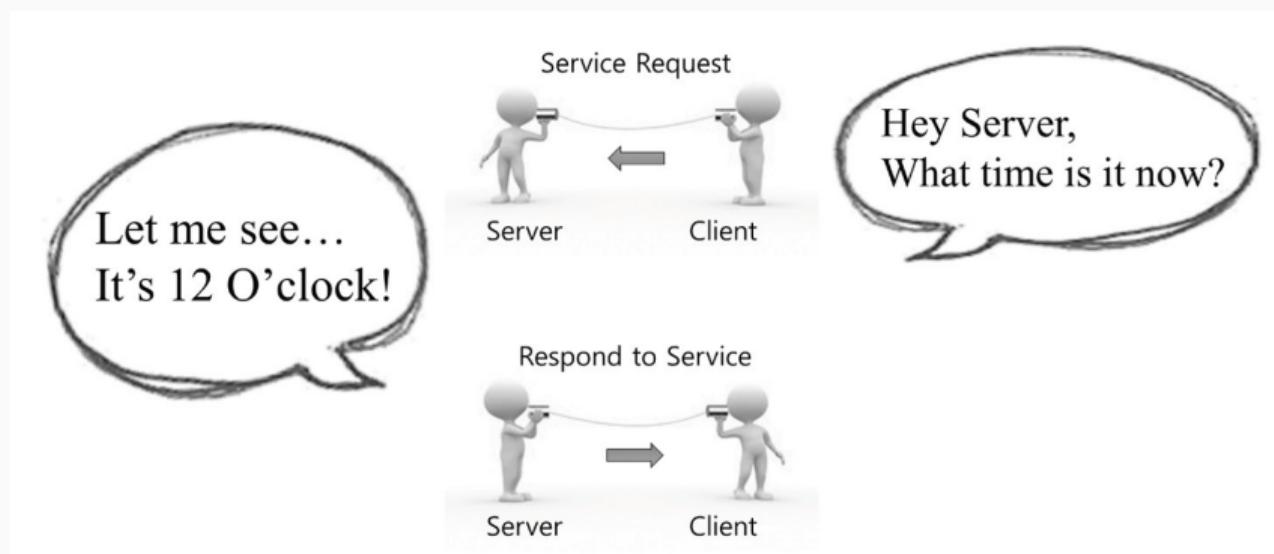
4. Display data sent over a topic:

```
$ rostopic echo /turtle1/cmd_vel
```

```
Type: geometry_msgs/Twist  
  
Publishers:  
* /teleop_turtle (http://2_xterm:36487/)  
  
Subscribers:  
* /turtlesim (http://2_xterm:38129/)
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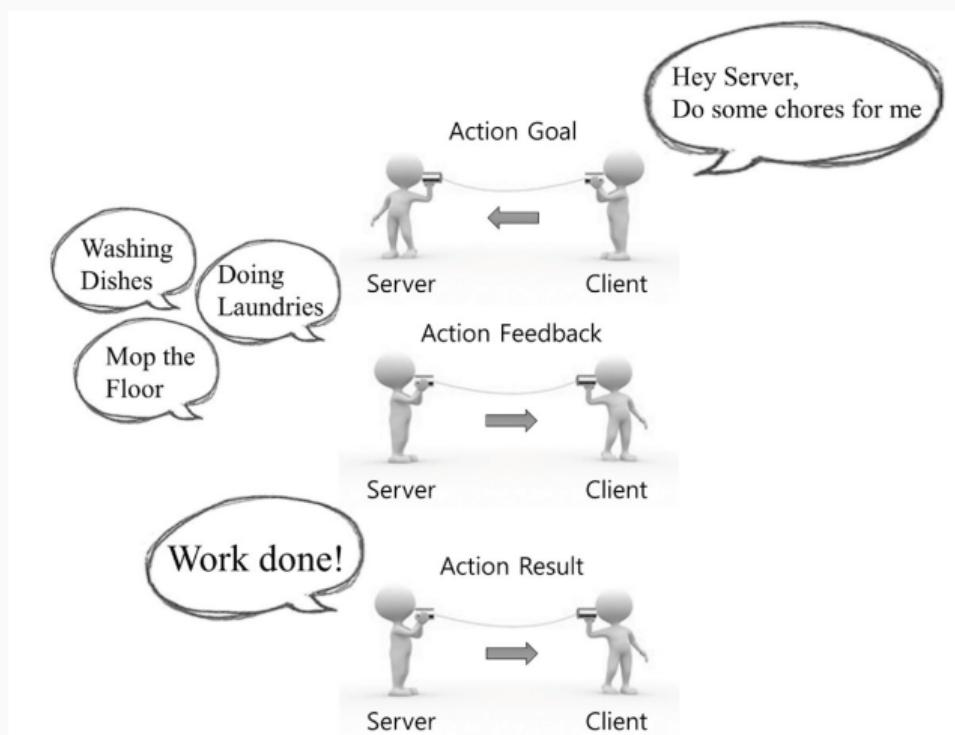
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user:~$ rosmsg show geometry_msgs/Twist  
geometry_msgs/Vector3 linear  
    float64 x  
    float64 y  
    float64 z  
geometry_msgs/Vector3 angular  
    float64 x  
    float64 y  
    float64 z
```

## ROS SERVICES:



- ROS services allow for bidirectional communications between a server and client.
- **Blocked client:** The client is waiting for the response from server.

# ROS ACTIONLIB:



- Non-blocking bidirectional communication.
- Used if a server will take time.

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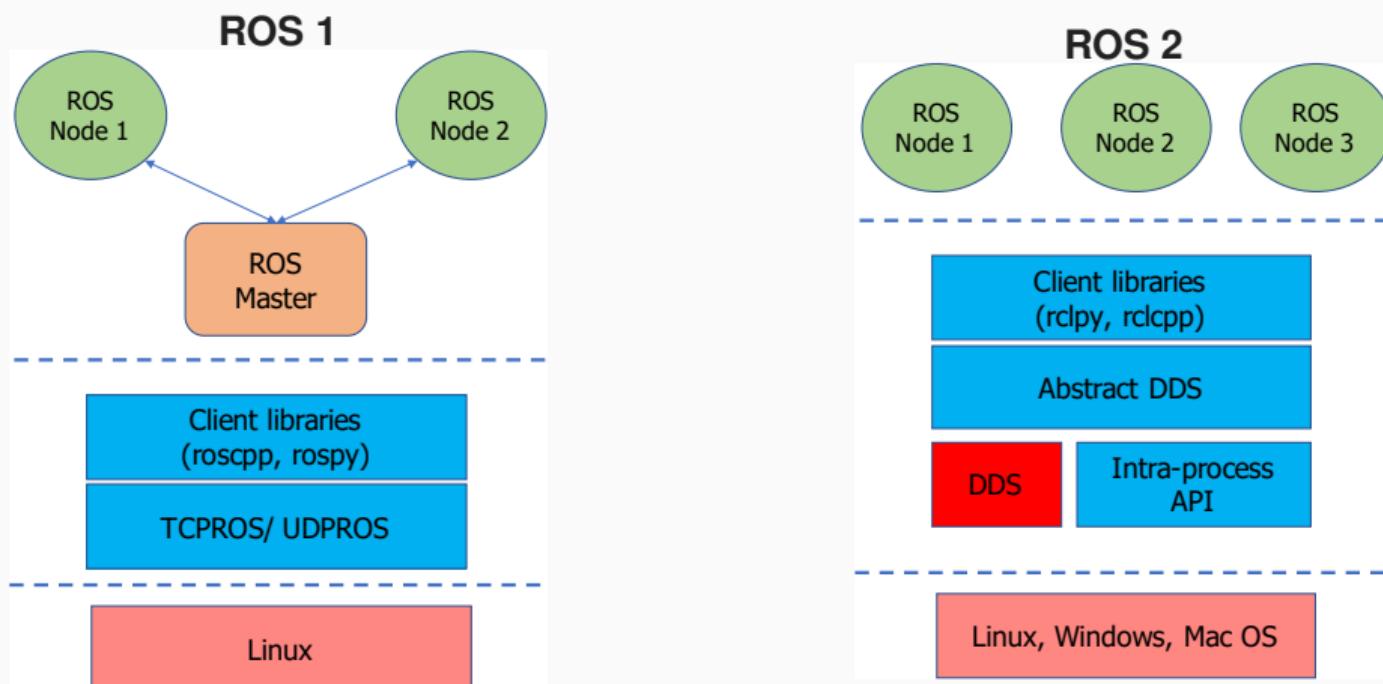
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- **Single point of failure:**

- If ROS master crashes, the whole system will fail.

# ROS 2 vs. ROS 1:



# ROS 1 INSTALLATION.

We will use ROS Noetic on Ubuntu 20.04

Follow [this link](#) for installation of Ubuntu,  
ROS, and VS Code for code edit.



ROS Noetic

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