

COBOTTA - a ROS-Enabled Collaborative Robot



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DENSO Corporation

1949 –DENSO established as a separate entity of TOYOTA Motor Co. Ltd.

1967 – Start development of robots

2018 – One of the 500 world's biggest companies

- 1 of TOP 3 auto parts suppliers worldwide
- Market leader in small industrial robots



DENSO Inventor of QR Code



1) Automotive Industry

One of TOP3 auto parts suppliers





2) Consumer Products



3) New Business Fields

Energy Management , Electric Power assist, Security, Healthcare, Biotechnology, Agriculture technology(&Cold Chain).











DENSO Robotics

Robotics Pioneer

50 Years

Over 50 Years (since 1967) of Industrial Robots Development for Industries.

OEM Supplier

Trusted OEM Supplier with world wide Trust to our Products even as OEM Supplier

100,000 Robots

Worldwide Market Leader in Small Segment Assembly Robots

20,000 Own Use

One of the World's Largest Robot Users and has Over 20,000 DENSO robots work in our own manufacturing facilities

Assembly

Pharma



Packaging

Medical





Automotive parts









Cobotta Overview - a ROS Enabled Collaborative Robot

COBOTTA

Arm: 6 axis (+1 for electric Gripper)

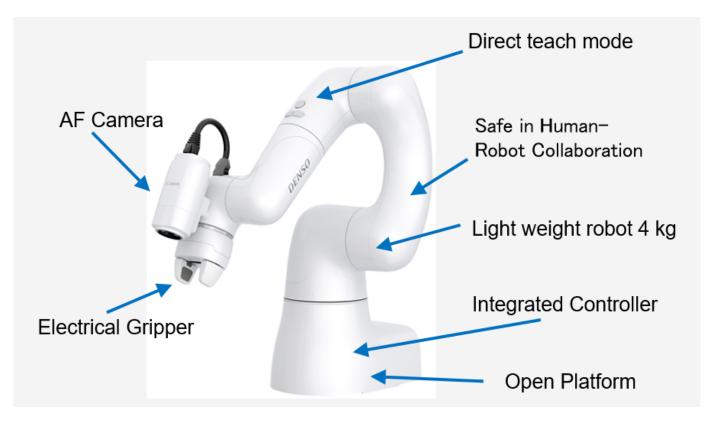
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Reach: 342,5 mm

Repeatability: 0,05 mm

Payload: 500g (700g)

Extended-joint motors



COBOTTA = COllaboration ro**BOT T**echnology for **A**rm



Cobotta Key features & concepts

1. Safe Design



Inherently safe design

- No sharp parts
- Designs to prevent pinching and rolling-in.

Safety Standards

- ISO 10218-1:2011
- ISO/TS 15066
- ISO 13849-1:2015 PL d/Cat 3





Compliance with functional safety

Safety-rated monitored function (all axis)

2. Easy to use



Easy to set-up & Use

- 1st set up takes only few minutes
- Few minutes Start-up time for a new application



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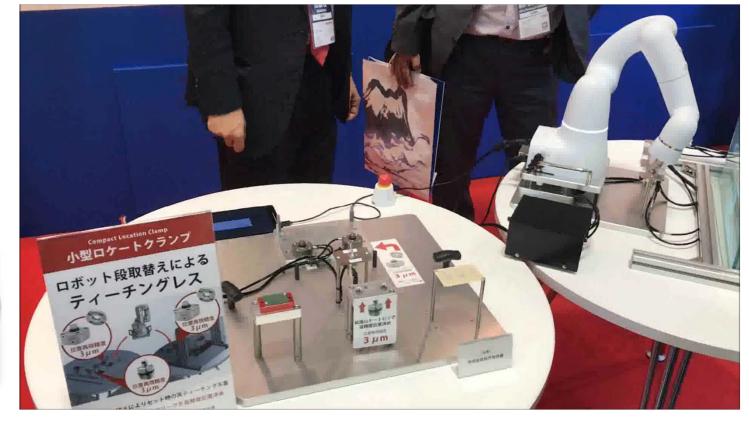
3. Portability

Efficiency & Flexibility through Easy Portability of Cobotta





Pick & place on trolley or **ROS Enabled** - Mobile Plattforms (AGV)





4. Open Platform – Advantages of COBOTTA

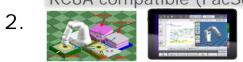
Wide possibilities to use COBOTTA - from first time user to robot expert

Programming Advantages

Cobotta World

Cocotta World

RC8A compatible (PacScript)



3. PC Control (ORIN / b-CAP)

Visual Studio

ORIN / bridge

III RO

Visual Studio



4. COBOTTA(OSS type)



Vision Connectivity

1. Vision via COBOTTA World



2. EVP Easy Vision Picking



3. CANON Vision Edition





4. External Vision Systems











Use of ROS with DENSO Industrial Robots

- DENSO has initiated the use of ROS internally and develop ROS packages and libraries actively from 2012 onwards.
- First Demonstration was made at IRFX Fair 2013
- Steady development w.r.t additional functions, improvement of our Controllers focussing ROS usage



ORIN (Open Robot interface for the Network) is a unified network interface for industrial robot applications and has been stably utilized in Denso's manipulators for years. Controllers in this package suite uses b-CAP, UDP-based control protocol defined in ORIN. It also has mechanism to detect faulty commands. Using b-CAP, ROS communicates to the embedded controller computer that has been achieving industry-proven reliability. The computer also has mechanism to detect faulty commands. That said as a whole the system maintains the same level of safeness with their commercial product setting.

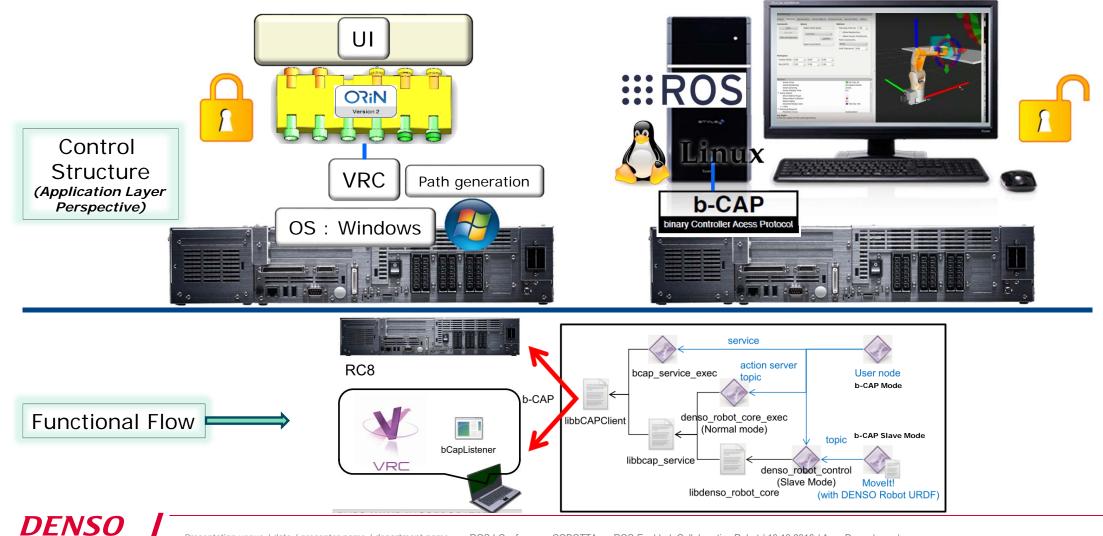
Also, as a genuine ROS package, it enables robot application developers to access full ROS features. Movelt! configuration package is also included for some of Denso's robots.

Core functionality

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- . Bug / feature tracker: https://github.com/start-jsk/denso/issues
- Source: git https://github.com/start-jsk/denso.git (branch: kinetic-devel)



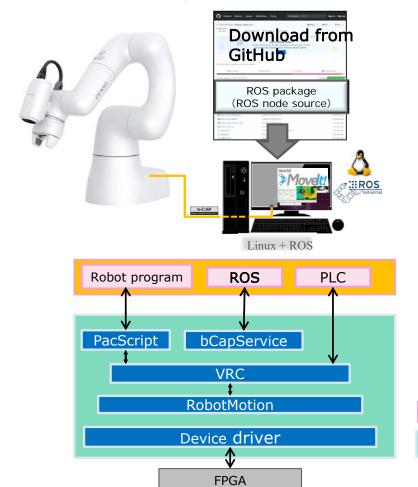
Open Platform - Control Methodologies & Functional Overiew

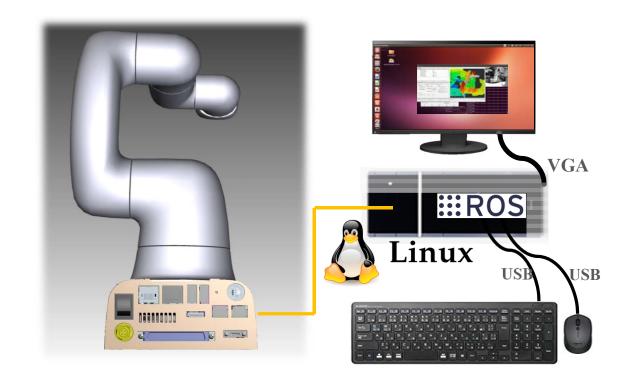


Crafting the Core

Open Platform - ROS based control of COBOTTA

1 st Method - Using DENSO basic OS version





: Customer Development

: offered by DENSO

Basic OS: Control from external PC which has installed ROS (same as RC8A)

Utilising the existing facilities - PC control.



COBOTTA with 'drag&bot' Software

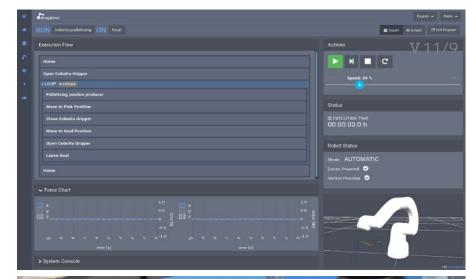
drag&bot adds options to control DENSO Robots

drag&bot is a software developed over ROS platform for a simple, graphical setup and programming of robotic applications. drag&bot works perfect with COBOTTA and other Denso robots.

Benefits:

- Everyone can operate and program robots
- No IT/robot skills or expensive training required
- 5x faster programming of robots in comparison to normal robot programming
- Enables cost-efficient automation by flexible change of robot tasks









Open Platform - ROS based control of COBOTTA

2nd Method - OSS Type (Open Source Software)

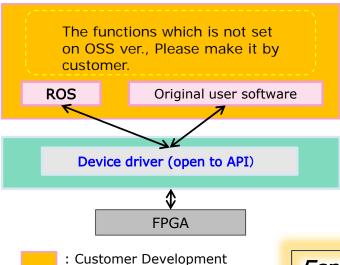
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OSS: Control of COBOTTA with ROS

Built-in controller and API for controls

- Individual development environment (Linux+ROS)
- Suitable for Development,
 Investigation and education (Linux + ROS)



: offered by DENSO





ROS (Installed by the customer)

(1) DENSO ROS package For COBOTTA (ROS Node, source)



OS: Linux Ubuntu (Installed by the customer)

(2) Dedicated driver for COBOTTA (Source)

ubuntu

Provided as open source software

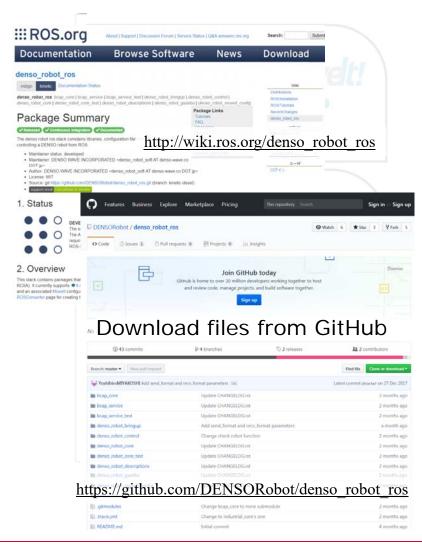
- (1) DENSO ROS package
- (2) Dedicated driver for COBOTTA

Open Platform - ROS Access Links for COBOTTA

Supporting ROS with Cobotta

- Links to access the ROS Packages for DENSO -







ROS packages for **DENSO** Robots

We provide 7 ROS Packages as DENSO ROBOT ROS

- 2 Packages for Simulation of DENSO Robot
- 4 Packages for Controlling Real DENSO Robot
- 1 Package for creating Path Trajetory easily

Packages for Simulation:

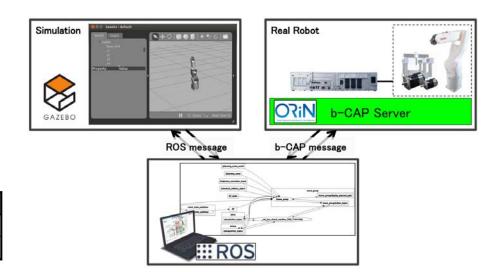
Package	Description	
denso_robot_gazebo	ROS package for starting DENSO robot simulation by Gazebo.	
denso_robot_descriptions	ROS package containing some DENSO robot's URDF files.	

Packages to control Real Robot:

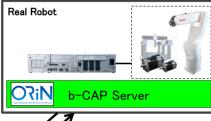
Package	Build Output	Description
bcap_core	Lib: libbCAPClient.so	ANSI-C library for sending and receiving b-CAP packets.
bcap_service	Lib: libbcap_service.so Node: bcap_service_exec	ROS node containing all of b-CAP methods. Provide 1 ROS service for sending and receiving b-CAP packets.
denso_robot_core	Lib: libdenso_robot_core.so Node: denso_robot_core_exec	ROS node containing general DENSO robot's functions, such as move or variable read and write. Provide some ROS action and message.
denso_robot_control	Node: denso_robot_control	ROS node for controlling DENSO robot by your original motion planning.

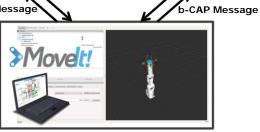
Packages for Path Generation:

Package	Description
denso_robot_moveit_config	ROS package for starting MoveIt! with DENSO robot.









Movel T! Can be used for Simulation and Real Robot Control



ROS Integration with 6-Axis Industrial Robot

Steps to use DENSO Robot in ROS => MoveIT!'s ROS Plugin

Install DENSO ROS Package as Pre-requisite

\$ rosdep install vs060

\$ ros-\$YOUR_ROSDISTRO\$-moveit-ros-visualization

Execute MoveIT! Launch => Rviz Plugin

\$ roslaunch denso_vs060_moveit_demo_simulation.launch

ROS Converter - Tool for any further DENSO Robots

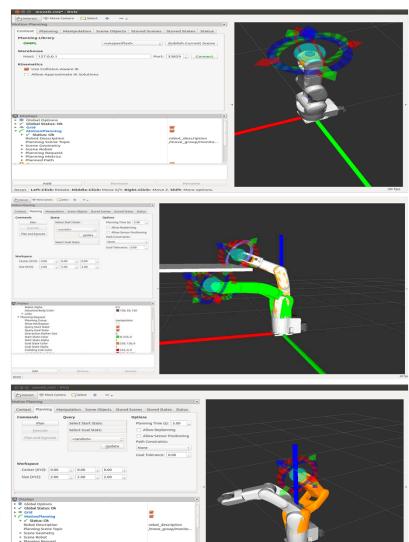
Easily generate DENSO Robot URDF Model from WINCAPS Software !!



Create WINCAPS III Project

Convert WPJ to URDF

Copy URDF to Linux, and Start Simulation





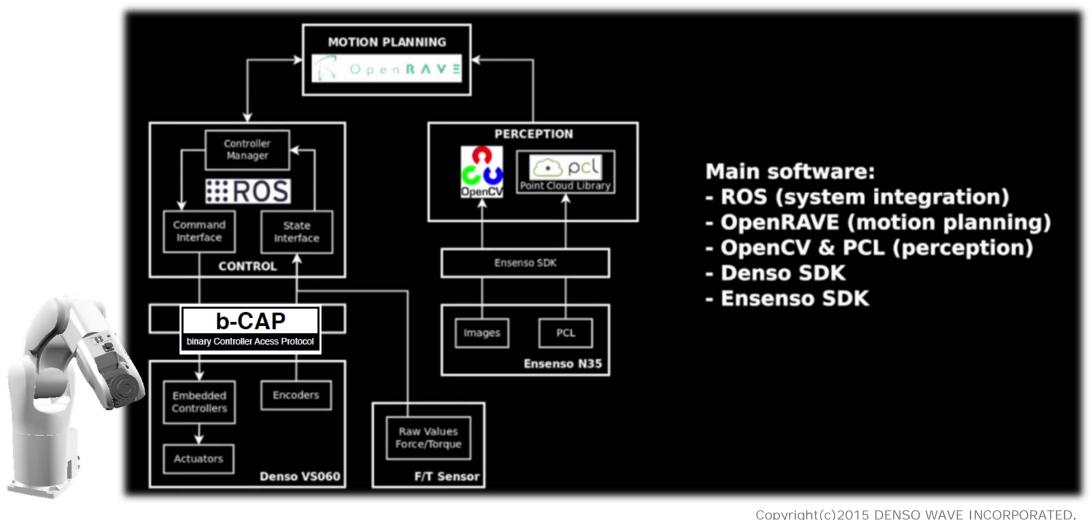
DENSO VS-060 with ROS





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DENSO VS-060 with ROS – Practical Example





DENSO VS-060 with ROS – Practical Example



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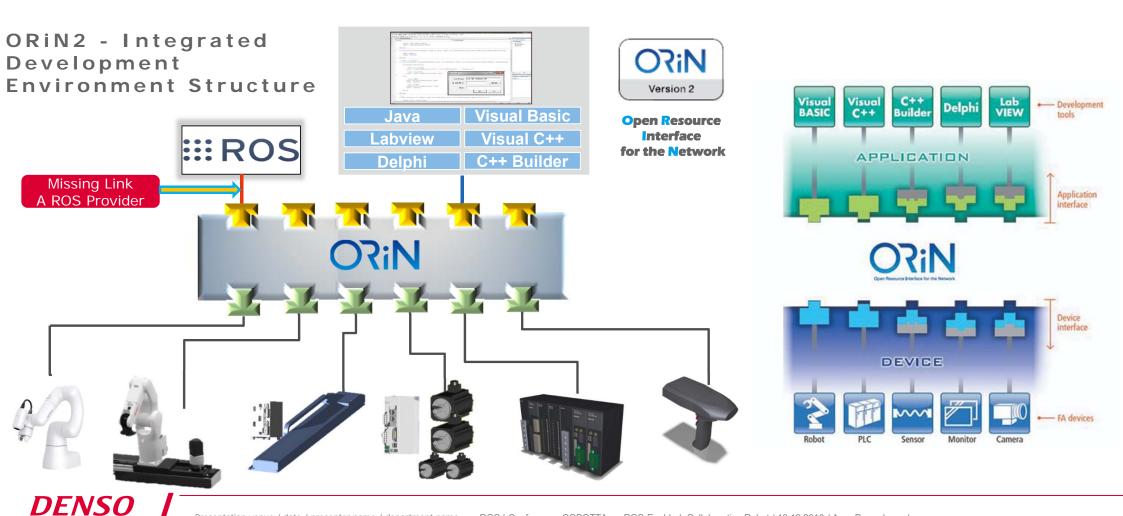


ORiN2 – IDE for Applications and Industry 4.0

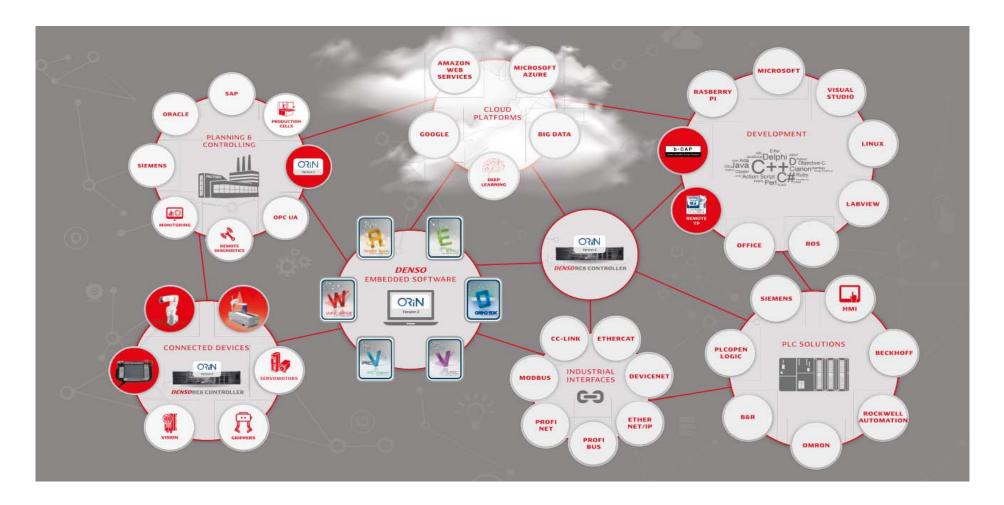
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ORIN/DENSO – Hot Solution Overview





Summary

- ✓ DENSO Robots and Cobotta provides wide possibilities to ROS users
- ✓ Cobotta laying special focus on ROS Users, has an option of OSS Version for customers to install the OS and User software directly
- ✓ DENSO is steadily supporting development of ROS drivers and Libraries



DENSO Crafting the Core

Thank You