

ROS Tutorial #7:

Note, this tutorial assumes that you have just finished tutorial #6. But, the tutorial #7 initial instructions are not quite correct, as tutorial #6 assumes you are running two copies of the turtle, while tutorial #7 assumes a single turtle. So, to set up #7 properly, do this:

- Open a new terminal
- `cd ~/catkin_ws`
- `source devel/setup.bash`
- `roscore &` % start the roscore master, the
- `roslaunch turtlesim turtlesim_node &` % start the turtlesim node, popping up a window
- `roslaunch turtlesim turtle_teleop_key` % start the keyboard logger

Now start the steps of the beginner tutorial #6.

- 2.1: `rosservice type /clear` % what arguments does the /clear service require?
- 2.2: `rosservice call /clear` % call turtlesim /clear, which erases any paths
- 2.3: `rosservice type /spawn | rossrv show`
 - This is “linux speak” to string together two commands
 - `rosservice type /spawn` returns “turtlesim/spawn”
 - the “| rossrv show” bit in effect calls: `rossrv show turtlesim/spawn`
 - this returns the message structure of the spawn service in the turtlesim node
- 2.4: `rosservice call /spawn 2 2 0.2 ""`
 - Spawn a new robot in the window at location (x=2,y=2,theta=0.2) with no name

The next part of tutorial #7, part 3, deals with parameters in ROS, using the `rosparam` function

- 3.1: `rosparam list` % list the available parameters
- 3.2: `rosparam set /turtlesim/background_r 150`
 - Note, the tutorial is **wrong**. The tutorial does not properly prepend the “/turtlesim” portion of the name. This probably comes from the way that ROS melodic works versus
- 3.2 (continued): `rosparam get /turtlesim/background_g`
 - Again, the tutorial is **wrong**, forgetting to prepend the “/turtlesim” portion
- 3.2 (continued): `rosparam get /`
 - The tutorial function call is correct, but ROS melodic returns a different format than that described in the tutorial
- 3.3: `rosparam dump params.yaml`
- 3.3 (continued): `rosparam load params.yaml copy`
- 3.3 (continued): `rosparam get /copy/turtlesim/background_b`
 - The tutorial is **wrong**. The turtlesim node needs to be specified.