

# Adding Sensors to CATBot

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# Laser Scanner Sensor

```
<gazebo reference="laser_scanner">
  <sensor type="ray" name="head_hokuyo_sensor">
    <pose>0 0 0 0 0 0</pose>
    <visualize>true</visualize>
    <update_rate>30.0</update_rate>
    <ray>
      <scan>
        <horizontal>
          <samples>360</samples>
          <resolution>0.5</resolution>
          <min_angle>-1.570796</min_angle>
          <max_angle> 1.570796</max_angle>
        </horizontal>
      </scan>
      <range>
        <min>0.10</min>
        <max>30.0</max>
        <resolution>0.01</resolution>
      </range>
      <noise>
        <type>gaussian</type>
        <mean>0.0</mean>
        <stddev>0.01</stddev>
      </noise>
    </ray>
    <plugin name="gazebo_ros_head_hokuyo_controller" filename="libgazebo_ros_laser.so">
      <topicName>/catbot/laser/scan</topicName>
      <frameName>laser_scanner</frameName>
    </plugin>
  </sensor>
</gazebo>
```

# Camera Sensor

```
<gazebo reference = "camera" >
  <sensor type="camera" name = "front_camera">
    <update_rate>30.0</update_rate>
    <camera name="head">
      <horizontal_fov>1.396</horizontal_fov>
      <image>
        <width>860</width>
        <height>640</height>
        <format>R8G8B8</format>
      </image>
      <clip>
        <near>0.02</near>
        <far>300</far>
      </clip>
      <noise>
        <type>gaussian</type>
        <mean>0.0</mean>
        <stddev>0.007</stddev>
      </noise>
    </camera>
    <plugin name="camera_controller" filename="libgazebo_ros_camera.so">
      <alwaysOn>true</alwaysOn>
      <updateRate>0.0</updateRate>
      <cameraName>catbot/front_camera</cameraName>
      <imageTopicName>image_raw</imageTopicName>
      <cameraInfoTopicName>camera_info</cameraInfoTopicName>
      <frameName>camera</frameName>
      <hackBaseline>0.07</hackBaseline>
      <distortionK1>0.00</distortionK1>
      <distortionK2>0.00</distortionK2>
      <distortionK3>0.00</distortionK3>
      <distortionT1>0.00</distortionT1>
      <distortionT2>0.00</distortionT2>
    </plugin>
  </sensor>
</gazebo>
```

# IMU Sensor

```
<gazebo>
  <plugin name="imu_controller" filename="libgazebo_ros_imu.so">
    <alwaysOn>true</alwaysOn>
    <updateRate>50.0</updateRate>
    <bodyName>base_footprint</bodyName>
    <topicName>/catbot/imu_data</topicName>
    <gaussianNoise>2.89e-08</gaussianNoise>
    <xyzOffsets>0 0 0</xyzOffsets>
    <rpyOffsets>0 0 0</rpyOffsets>
  </plugin>
</gazebo>
```

# Differential Drive Plugin

```
<gazebo>
  <plugin name="differential_drive_controller" filename="libgazebo_ros_diff_drive.so">
    <rosDebugLevel> Debug </rosDebugLevel>
    <publishWheelTF>true</publishWheelTF>
    <robotNameSpace>/</robotNameSpace>
    <publishTF>1</publishTF>
    <publishWheelJointState>true</publishWheelJointState>
    <alwaysOn>true</alwaysOn>
    <updateRate>100.0</updateRate>
    <leftJoint>left_motor</leftJoint>
    <rightJoint>right_motor</rightJoint>
    <wheelSeparation>0.353</wheelSeparation>
    <wheelDiameter>0.164</wheelDiameter>
    <broadcastTF>1</broadcastTF>
    <wheelTorque>30</wheelTorque>
    <wheelAcceleration>2.8</wheelAcceleration>
    <commandTopic>catbot/cmd_vel</commandTopic>
    <odometryFrame>catbot/odom</odometryFrame>
    <odometryTopic>catbot/odom</odometryTopic>
    <robotBaseFrame>base_footprint</robotBaseFrame>
    <legacyMode>>false</legacyMode>
    <odometrySource>encoder</odometrySource>
  </plugin>
</gazebo>
```

# Rviz: Visualizing Sensors

1) Camera Plugin

2) Laser Scanner

3) IMU

4) Odometry

# Exercises

- 1) Write a node that subscribes to LaserScan data, finds the maximum in the array of LaserScan data and publishes that on a Separate topic as Float64
- 2) Write a node that subscribes to IMU data, and integrates it with time to get the velocity and position and publishes those on a separate topic as a custom defined message