



Turning towards points of interest using a Saliency Map

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Overview

- Proposed objectives successfully implemented
- For several reasons - additional filters for selecting a point of interest, e.g. markers, color



Final Implementation Plan

Ubuntu Host Computer
ROS Core



next goal value for controller

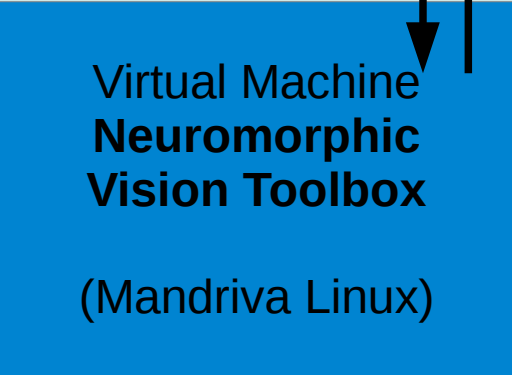


Transmit Image

Receive Salient
Point's Coords.

frontfacing camera's image

steer commands,
camera switching,
odometry,
cam images,



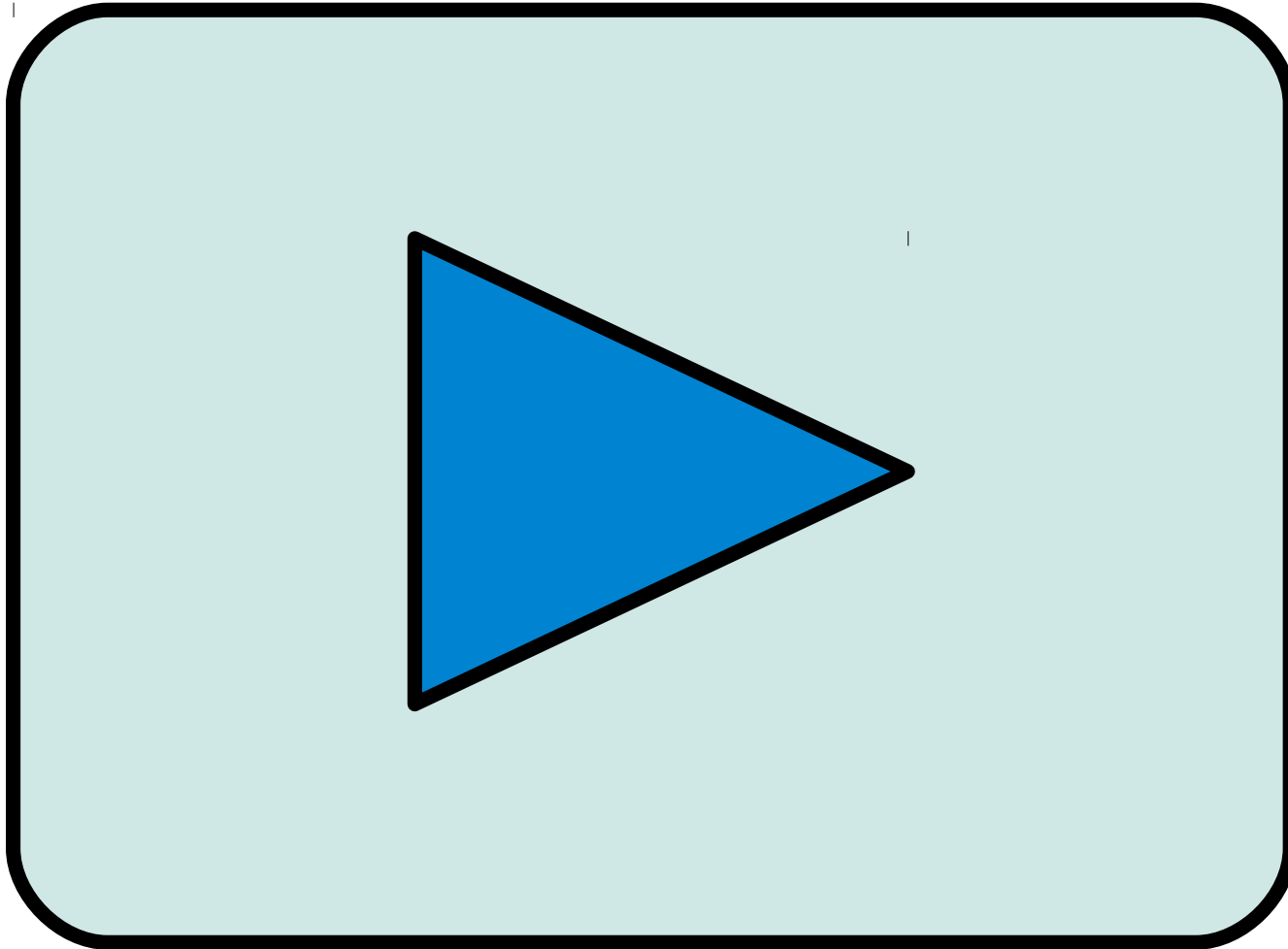
Robot Control

- So far there was no ROS service call for directly selecting a camera:
 - We implemented selective calls additionally to the so far only existing *toggle_camera* one
- Stable control is possible even with switching cameras!
- Validation: Tracking markers in both camera's images
- Design allows arbitrarily slow filtering process

Filter Node

- Filter Node
 - Input: image of frontfacing camera
 - Output: x / y coordinates of goal point
 - simple to use another filter
- NMVT works good with quadcopter images
- Using the toolbox with ROS is possible, although tedious

Some Videos



Conclusion

- Position control with marker tracking works
- Saliency Maps on drones: interesting for experiments
 - hard to understand what really happens from pure observation of the drone

Future Work

- Use face detector as filter node