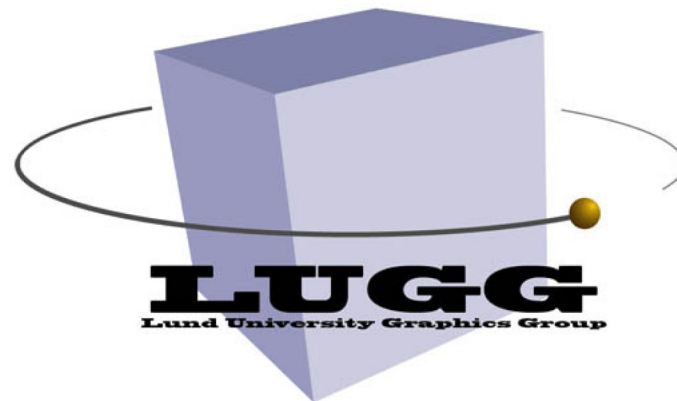


# Seminar: Assignment 1

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# This seminar

**A lot** of ground to cover...

- Assignment
- C++ crash course
- RenderChimp

# Assignment 1

1. Getting started
2. Building a Scene Graph
3. Simple Game
4. Playing around in Shaders

# Assignment 1

## 1. Getting started

- Download Visual Studio Express
- Open RenderChimp.sln
- Compile and Run (should get a warning)

(if there is time, VS demo)

# Assignment 1

## 2. Building a Scene Graph

- World node
- Creating and managing resources and nodes
  - Create your own object using a VertexArray and an IndexArray
- Hierarchical transformation

# Assignment 1

## 3. Simple Game

- Transforming objects over time
- Input

(if there is time, show demo)

# Assignment 1

## 4. Playing around in Shaders

- This is all the *shader* you'll ever have to see...
- Getting a value all the way from the platform to the shader
- Time dependent effect
  - Just one or a few lines of code...

# Assignment 1

Errors and warnings end up in:  
log.txt

Memory information ends up in:  
mem.txt



# Class Definition

In point.h:

```
class Point
{
    public:
        Point(float x, float y); // constructor
        float getX(void) const; // accessor: const means does not change
                                state of object
        float getY(void) const;

    protected:
        float mX; // member attributes
        float mY;
};
```

The actual implementation is in point.cpp

# Implementation of Point

In point.cpp:

```
Point::Point(float x,float y) // Point:: indicates which class
{
    mX=x;
    mY=y;
}
```

```
float Point::getX(void) const // getY() in the same way
{
    return mX;
}
```

# Declarations and Definitions

Function declaration:

In header file (for example):

```
bool finished(int t); // note semi-colon instead of function body
```

In cpp-file, function definition:

```
bool finished(int t)
{
    if(t>1) return true;
    else return false;
}
```

# Allocation

```
void func(void)                // function not belonging to class (no ::)
{
    int a;
    a=sin(0.314);
    Point pl;
    Point *p = new Point(10.0, 20.0);    // a pointer
    Point *pa = new Point[20];          // array of 20 point objects
}
```

When func() is entered, a & pl are allocated on the stack, and when exited, a & pl are automatically deleted.

p and pa is allocated using new, which means that you need to delete it at some point: delete p; delete [] pa;

There is **NO garbage collection** in C++.

# Destructor

Used when a class allocates memory using new.

The destructor deletes what it has allocated

```
class Point
{
    public:
    Point();
    ~Point();           // destructor
};
```

In point.cpp:

```
Point::~~Point()
{
    // delete memory here, for example:
    delete mNameOfPointString; //if there was such a variable
}
```

# Inheritance

```
class Point
{
    public:
        virtual void update(void);
};
```

```
class TimePoint : public Point // inherit from Point
{
    public:
        void update(void);      // overloads Point::update
};
```

# Namespaces

Similar to packages in Java.

In header-file, rc.h:

```
namespace rc
{
    class Point {...};
}
```

In cpp.file:

```
#include "rc.h"
namespace rc
{
    Point::getX(void) const { return mX; }
}
```

# Using namespaces

```
#include "rc.h"
```

```
void test(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    using rc::Point;
```

```
    Point p;
```

```
}
```

```
// can "import" everything from a namespace by
```

```
using namespace rc;
```



# Reference and Pointer Parameters

Default as in Java: parameter is copied

Then we have pointers and references as well

```
int func(Point &pr, Point *pp)           // & is ref, * is pointer
{
    pr.setX( pr.getX()+10 );             // note .
    pp->setX( pp->getX()+10 );           // note ->
}

void test(void)
{
    Point pr(1,1);                        // stack allocation
    Point *pp= new Point(1,1);           // heap allocation

    func(pr, pp);
}
```

# Functions and Arrays

An array: `int a[10];` // no `a.length` as in Java

Array is passed as pointer to first element:

```
void func(int b[], int sizeOfArray) {...}
```

or

```
void func(int *b, int sizeOfArray) {...}
```

# Operator Overloading

Regular operators can be overloaded.

For example:

```
{  
    Matrix4x4 m = Matrix4x4(...);  
    Matrix4x4 n = Matrix4x4(...);  
  
    Matrix4x4 o = m * n;           // Matrix multiplication!  
}
```

```
Matrix4x4 Matrix4x4::operator*(const Matrix4x4 &v)  
{  
    // Matrix multiplication implementation  
}
```

(take peak inside VectorMath.h and VectorMath.cpp)

# Output

// For example, might be good for debugging sometimes

```
std::cout << "drawing..." << std::endl;
```

// prints “drawing...” to standard output

// You can also use

```
printf(“drawing...”);
```

// which is more C-like

# Preprocessor

Lines beginning with #

The pre-processor is executed prior to the compiler

```
#define X
```

```
#ifdef X
```

```
    printf("X is defined");
```

```
#else
```

```
    printf("X is not defined");
```

```
#endif
```

# More info

- C++ course slides

<http://www.cs.lth.se/EDA031/forelasningar.shtml>

- cplusplus.com

<http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/>

Moving on...

RenderChimp  
Scene Graph

# RenderChimp

## Assignment package

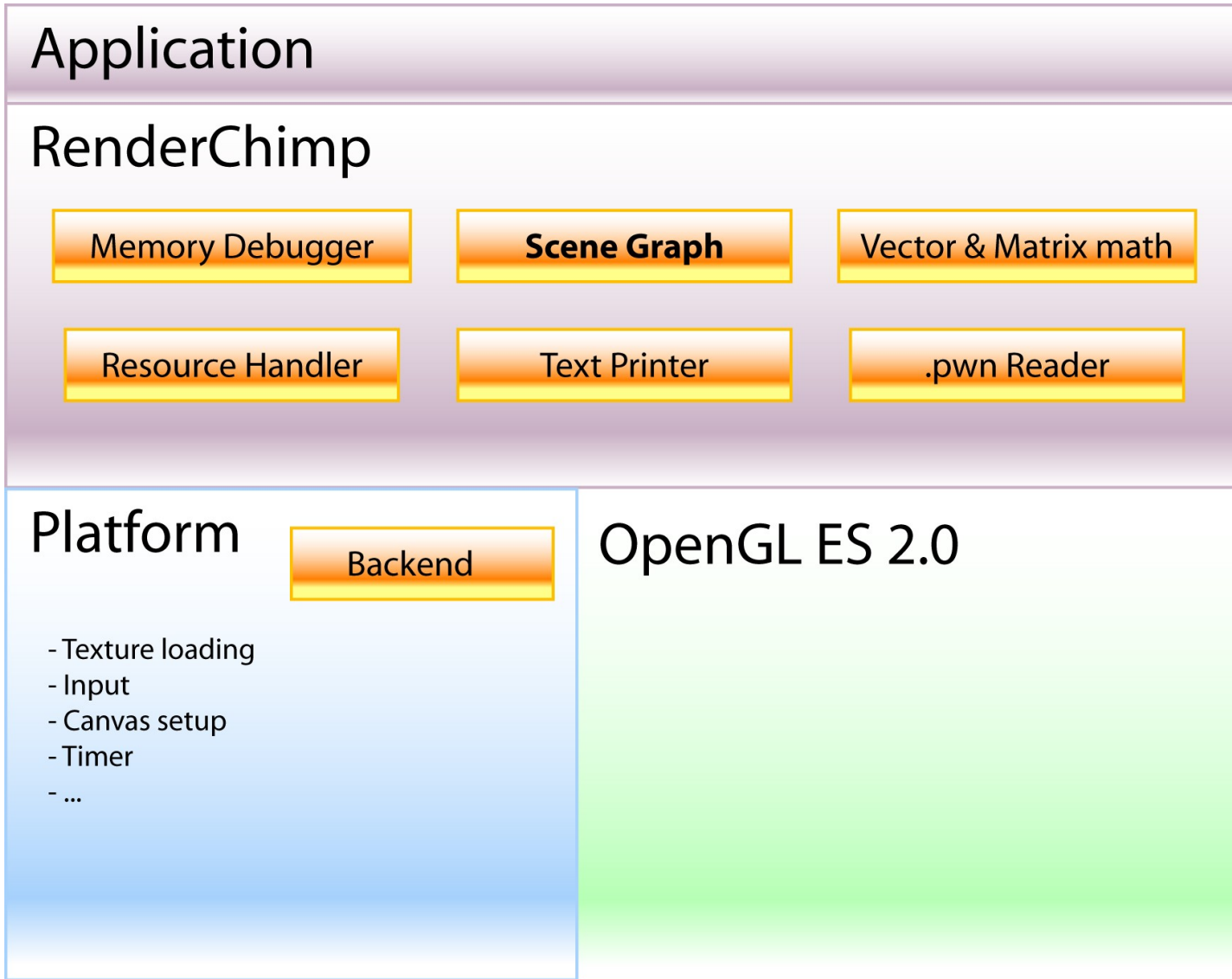
- Out now!
- You will need:
  - Visual Studio Express
  - The assignment package from the home page

## Project package

- An updated version of the framework for use in the project will be available soon...



# RenderChimp Overview

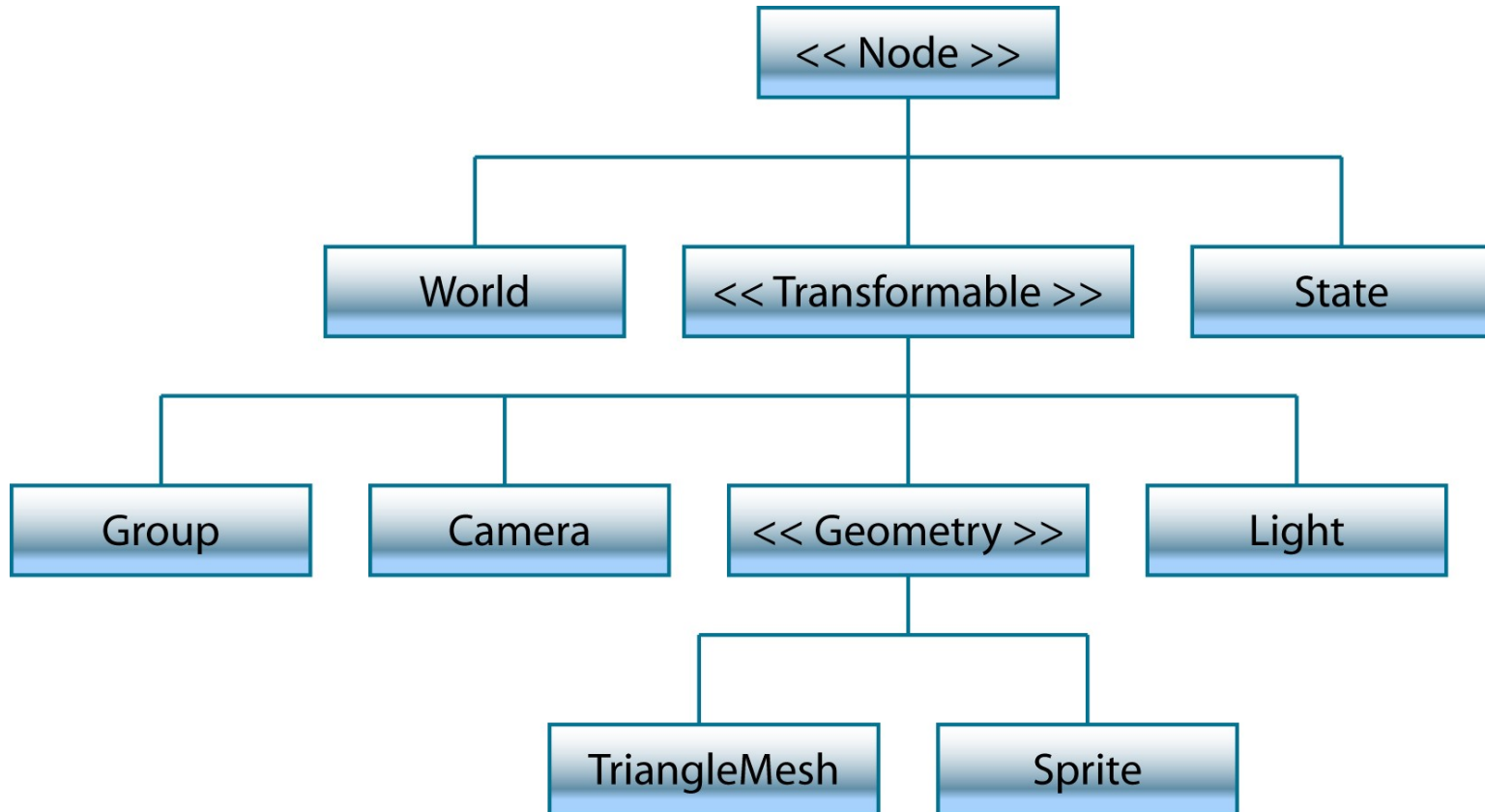


# RenderChimp Overview

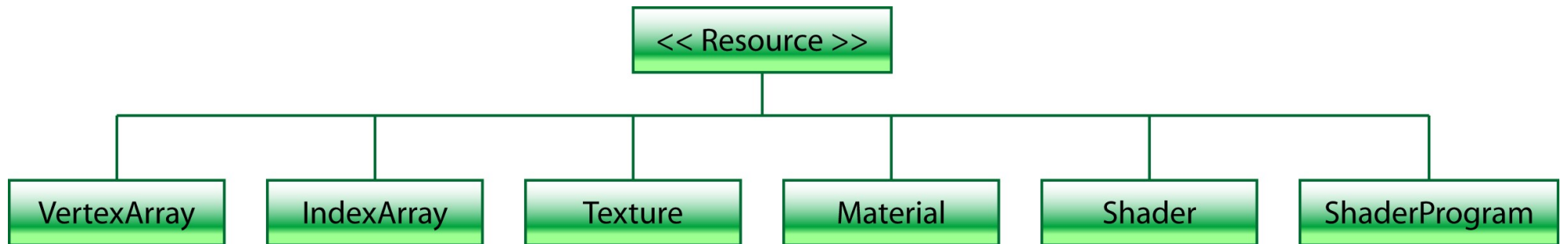
- RCInit() - called when program is loaded
- RCDestroy() - called just before program exits
- RCUpdate(DeviceState\_t \*ds) - called every frame

```
struct DeviceState_t {  
  
    u32          touch;  
    f32          x;  
    f32          y;  
  
    f32          roll;  
    f32          pitch;  
    f32          facing;  
  
    f32          time;  
    f32          timeStep;  
  
};
```

# Scene Graph Nodes



# Scene Graph Resources



# Nodes vs. Resources

## Nodes:

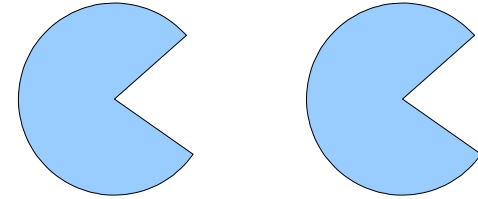
- Describe *hierarchical* relationships in a *scene*.
- Organized in a tree-like manner. One parent per node.
- *One* node describes *one* object.
- Relatively cheap (~10s - 100s of bytes)

## Resources:

- Describe *data*.
- Not organized in any particular way.
- *One* resource can be instantiated *many* times.
- Relatively expensive (~10s – 1000000s of bytes)

Nodes use resources. Resources use resources. No-one uses nodes.

# Nodes vs. Resources



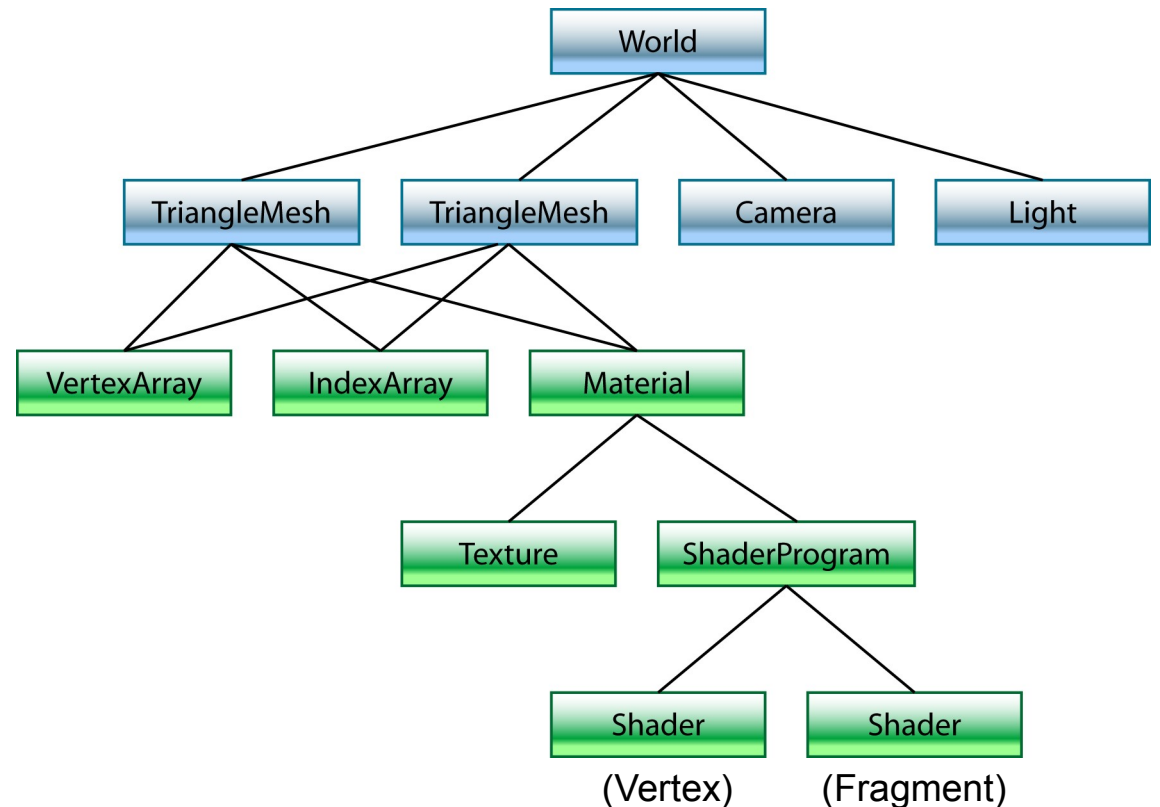
Imagine a game with two enemies...

Their triangle data is identical. Storing that data twice = twice as expensive!

...what about 50 enemies?

Solution: Shared data!

*However:* located at different positions in the scene.



# The sceneGraph singleton

In RenderChimp there is an almighty singleton object called

## **sceneGraph**

All creation and deletion of Nodes and Resources must go through this object. (**new** and **delete** are *not* permitted for any RenderChimp objects).

For example: To create a Sprite you may write something like this:

```
Sprite *s = sceneGraph.createSprite("MrSprite", "textures/smileyface.png", ...);
```

And to delete it use:

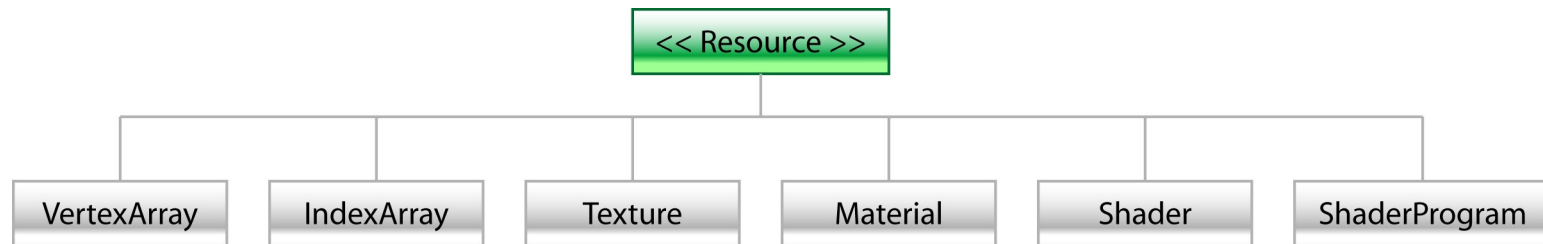
```
sceneGraph.deleteNode(s);
```

Take a look inside SceneGraph.h for more info...

# Resources

Let's look through the available resource types...





- VertexArrays, IndexArrays and Materials can be cloned. This means that their data is duplicated. This is most often less expensive than re-creating your resource.

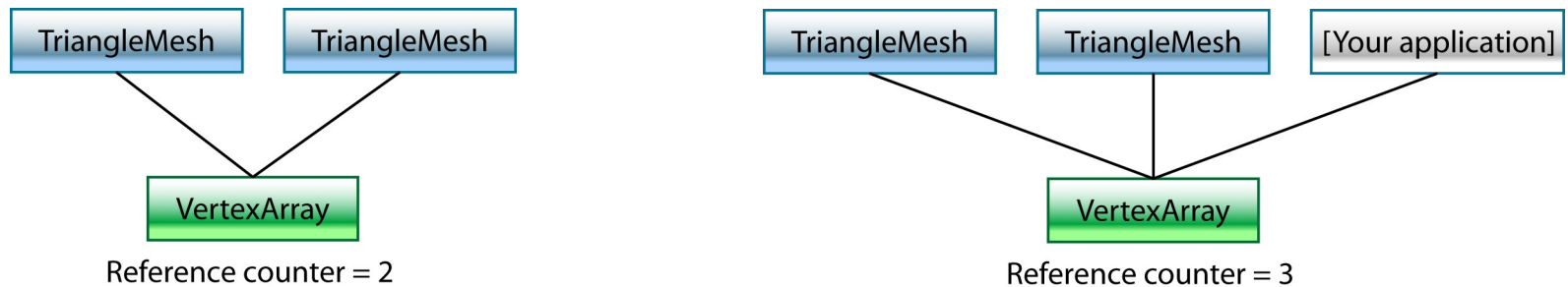
```
virtual Resource *clone(...);
```

- To retrieve a new instance of a resource, use this function:

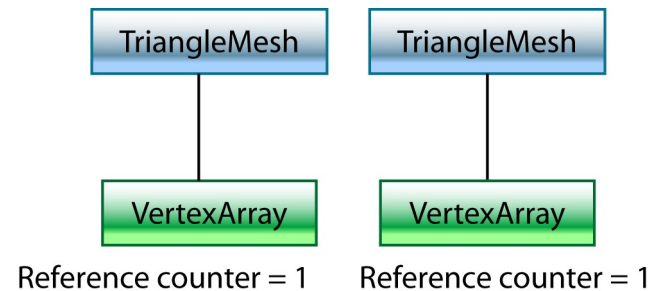
```
virtual Resource *instantiate();
```

# Resource instantiation and cloning

Instantiation:



Cloning:



# Resource handling

**Note:** Resource handling differs in the Assignment package and the coming Project package...

- **For the assignment, just declare everything *permanent*, and let the sceneGraph clean up after you on shutdown.**

# Resource handling

In the Project package...

Each resource is assigned a *purge level*. For instance...

Give **Menu** resources purge level 5.

Give **Player mesh** purge level 3.

Give **Level data** resources purge level 1.

To get rid of all the Level data and the Player mesh, but not the Menu, use:

```
sceneGraph.purgeResources(3); // Purges everything <= 3
```

*But*, Node tree must die first! (it's your responsibility)

# Resource handling

In the Project package...

*Special case:* purge level = 0.

Resource is associated with a *reference counter*.

- ++ every time a resource is instantiated.
- -- every time a reference to it is severed.
- If the reference counter hits 0, the resource is *deleted*.

# Resource instantiation

There is a difference between... (1)

```
Sprite *s = sceneGraph.createSprite("mySpr", "textures/smoke.png", 0);
```

...and... (2)

```
Texture *t = sceneGraph.createTexture("textures/smoke.png", 0);  
Sprite *s = sceneGraph.createSprite("mySpr", t, true); // (instantiate_resource =  
                                                    true)
```

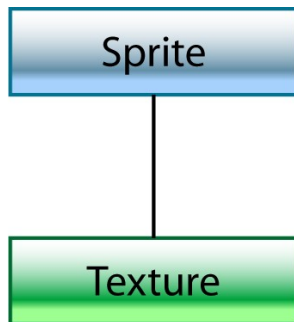
...and... (3)

```
Texture *t = sceneGraph.createTexture("textures/smoke.png", 0);  
Sprite *s = sceneGraph.createSprite("mySpr", t, false); // (instantiate_resource =  
                                                    false)
```

- 1) The texture is created within the Sprite. We don't need to manage the resource.
- 2) The texture is created by our application. When it's passed to the Sprite, it is instantiated. We hold one instance of the Texture (the \*t pointer), as do the Sprite! This means that the resource should be deleted on *our side* at some point.
- 3) We created the Texture, but surrender it to the Sprite. This is equivalent to (1).

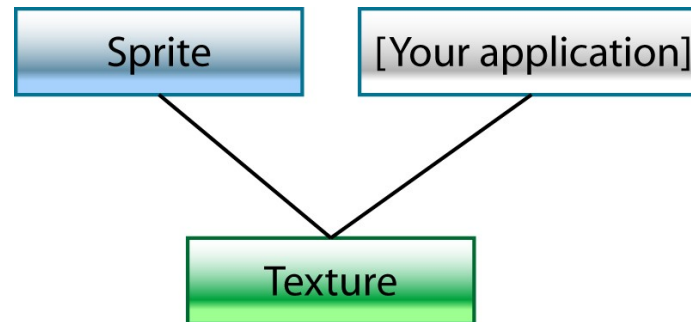
# Resource instantiation

(1) and (3)

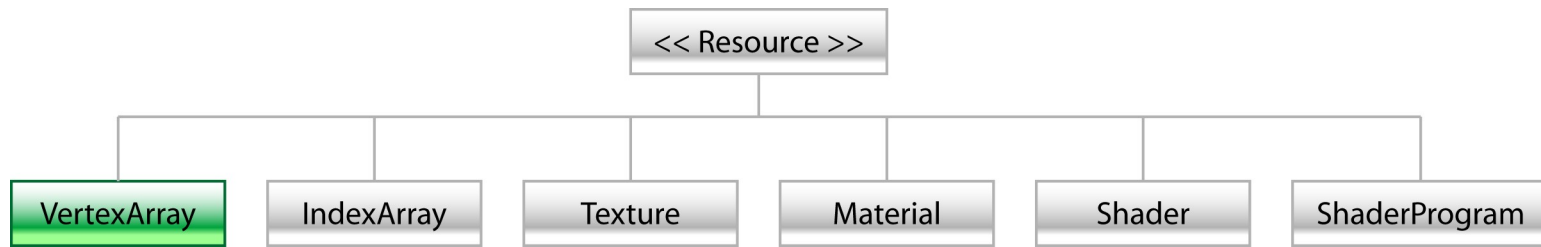


Reference counter = 1

(2)



Reference counter = 2



- An array of float attributes associated with each vertex.
- For example: “Vertex”, “Normal”, “Color”, “Texcoord”, ...
- Organized with attributes to the same vertex adjacent to each other.

- Set attributes using

```
void setAttribute(offset, length, name);
```

- In the example to the right we have:

```
setAttribute(0, 3, "Position"); // x, y, z floats
setAttribute(3, 4, "Color"); // r, g, b, a floats
```

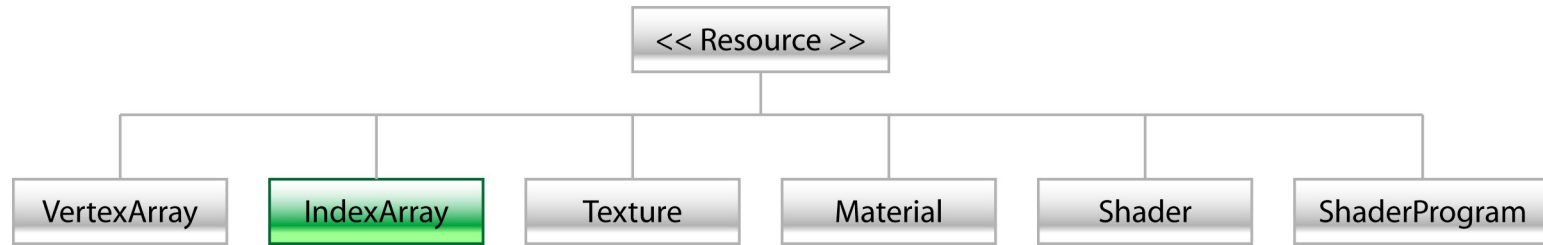
Vertex Array

```

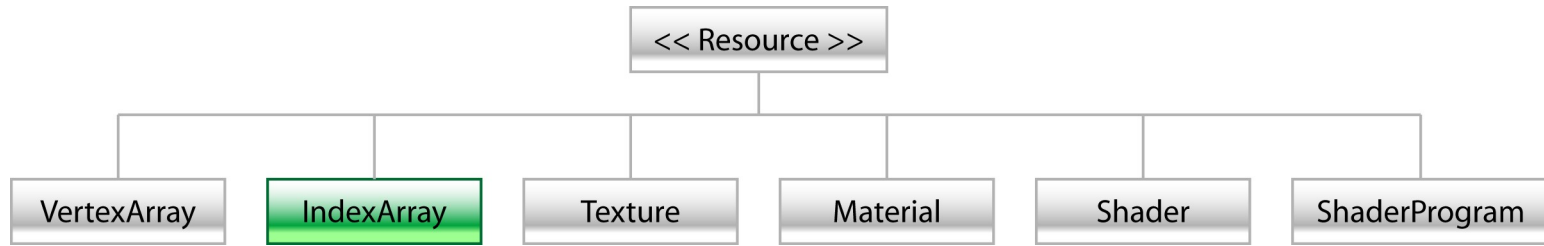
0:  Position.x
    Position.y
    Position.z
    Color.r
    Color.g
    Color.b
    Color.a
1:  Position
    Color
2:  Position
    Color
3:  Position
    Color
4:  Position
    Color
5:  Position
    Color
...
  
```

**Important note: The example shaders expects the attribute name “Vertex” instead of “Position”.**





- Contains indices to a VertexArray
- Removes the need to repeat data in VertexArray
- TRIANGLE, TRIANGLE\_STRIP, TRIANGLE\_FAN



Vertex Array

- 0: Position.x  
Position.y  
Position.z  
Color.r  
Color.g  
Color.b  
Color.a
- 1: Position  
Color
- 2: Position  
Color
- 3: Position  
Color
- 4: Position  
Color
- 5: Position  
Color
- ...

Index Array  
(TRIANGLES)

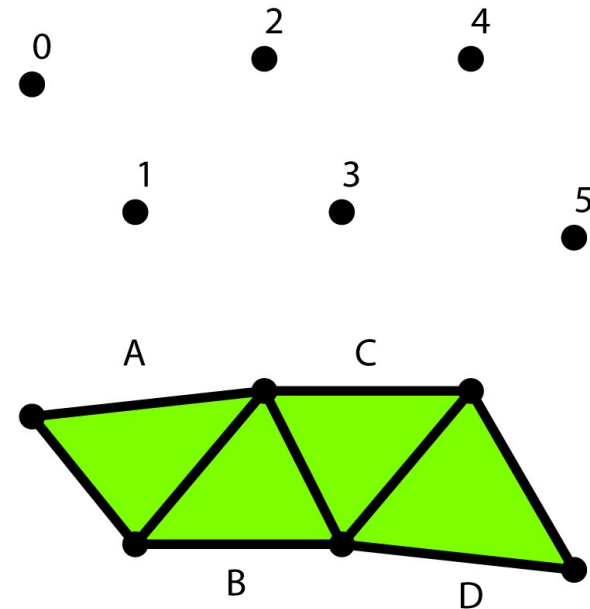
- A: 0, 1, 2
- B: 1, 3, 2
- C: 2, 3, 4
- D: 3, 5, 4

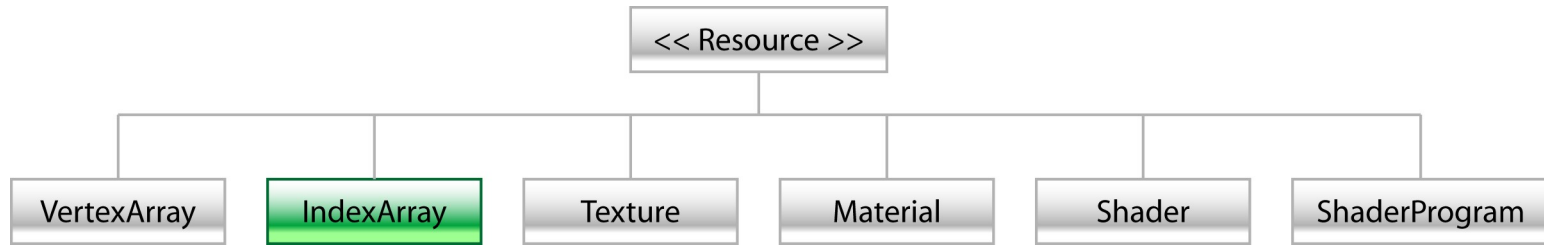
(n \* 3 entries)

IndexArray  
(TRIANGLE\_STRIP)

- A: 0, 1, 2
- B: 3
- C: 4
- D: 5

(n + 2 entries)





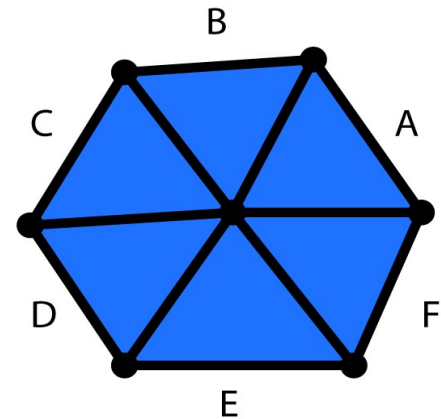
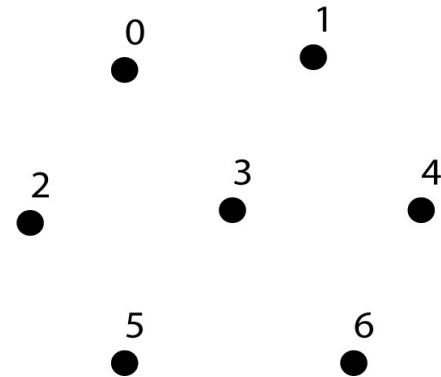
### Vertex Array

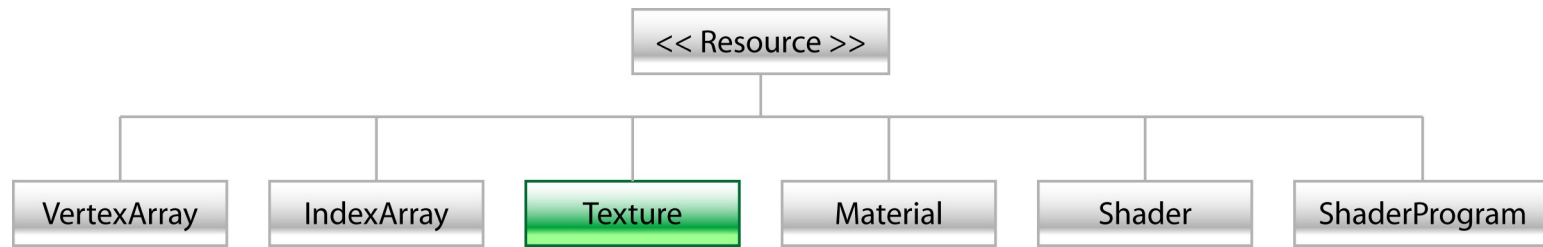
- 0: Position.x  
Position.y  
Position.z  
Color.r  
Color.g  
Color.b  
Color.a
- 1: Position  
Color
- 2: Position  
Color
- 3: Position  
Color
- 4: Position  
Color
- 5: Position  
Color
- ...

### IndexArray (TRIANGLE\_FAN)

- A: 3, 4, 1
- B: 0
- C: 2
- D: 5
- E: 6
- F: 4

(n + 2 entries)





Basically an array of pixels.  
Loaded in to texture memory.

Supported formats:

- RGBA, RGB, Grayscale

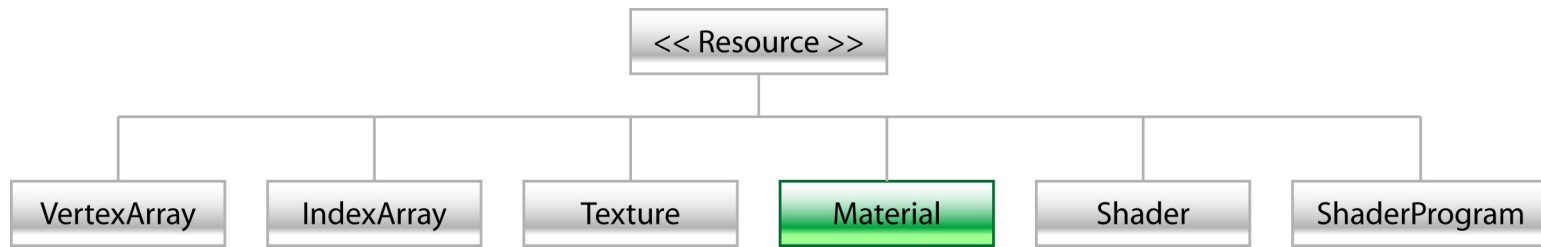
Filtering:

- Nearest neighbour, Bilinear, Trilinear

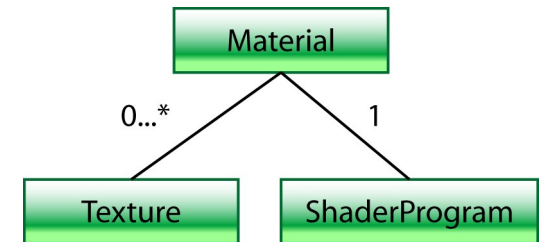
Wrapping:

- Clamp, repeat, mirrored repeat



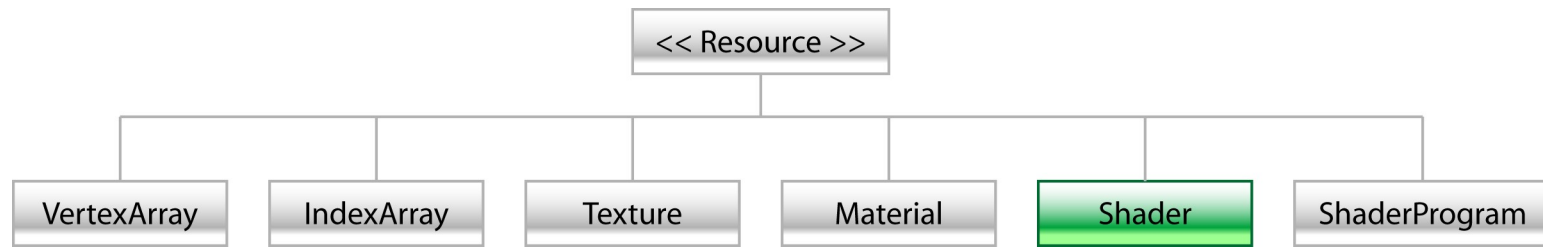


- Defines the appearance of your triangle mesh
- Essentially its purpose is to hold data for the associated ShaderProgram.



The assignment package has two example Materials:

- MaterialColorful:
  - Very simple. Interpolates color between vertices.
  - Expects “Vertex” and “Color” vertex attributes.
- MaterialPhong:
  - A textured, per-pixel phong shader.
  - Expects “Vertex”, “Normal” and “Texcoord” vertex attributes.



Can be either a **Vertex shader** or a **Fragment shader**

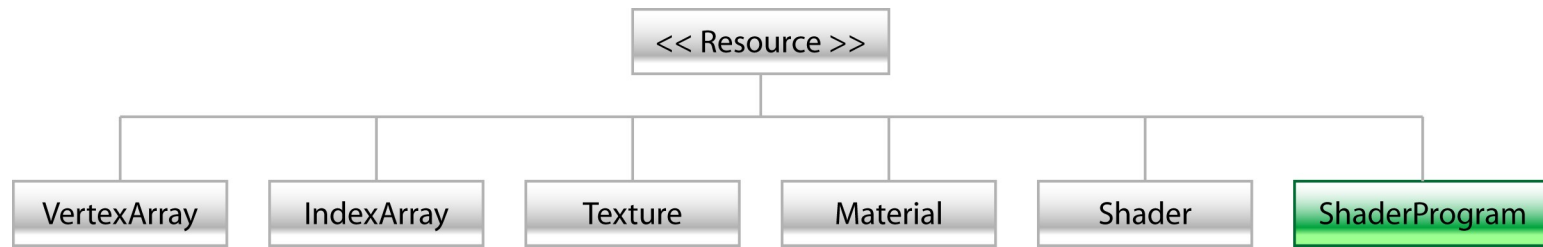
### Vertex Shader

- Loaded from .vs source files.
- Per vertex calculations

### Fragment Shader

- Loaded from .fs source files.
- Per pixel (fragment) calculations

(Shaders are compiled individually at run-time)

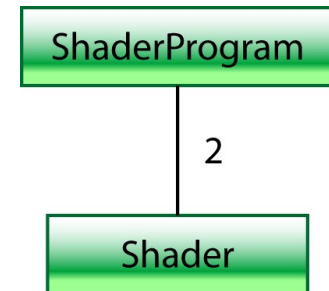


Vertex Shader + Fragment Shader = **ShaderProgram**

- Links two compiled shaders to a program

Useful for a range of different purposes:

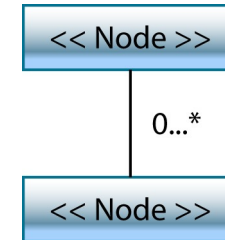
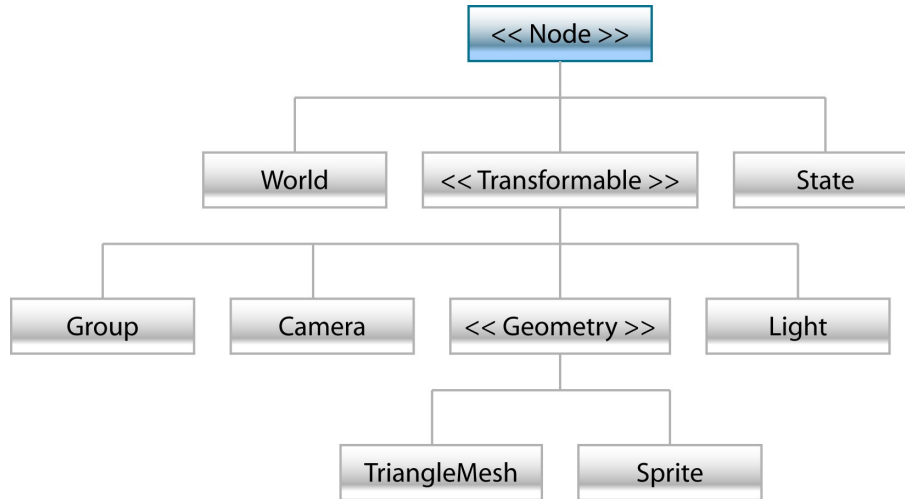
- Materials (lighting calculations, texturing, ...)
- Per-vertex transformations (skinning, noise, ...)
- Post processing effects (depth of field, ambient occlusion, ...)
- Use your imagination!



# Nodes

Let's look through the available node types...





- Each node is identified by a name:

```
void setName (...);
```

```
char *getName ();
```

- Each node can have any number of children and may or may not have a parent.

```
void attachChild (...);
```

```
void detachChild (...);
```

```
void detachFromParent (...);
```

```
Node *getChild (...);
```

```
Node *getNextSibling ();
```

```
Node *getParent ();
```

- Duplicate the node, either by itself its entire subtree.

```
Node *duplicate (...);
```

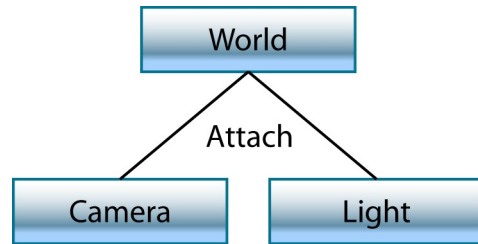
# Scene graph building example



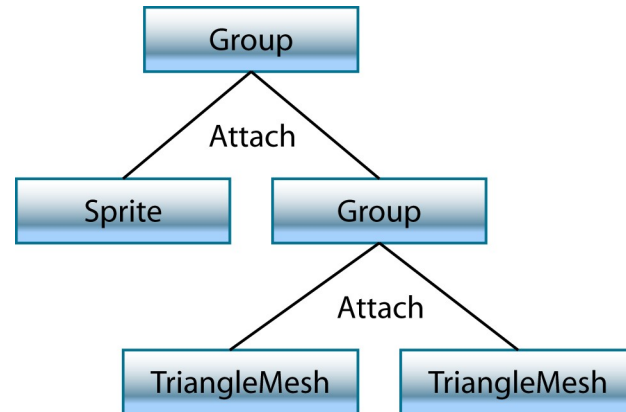
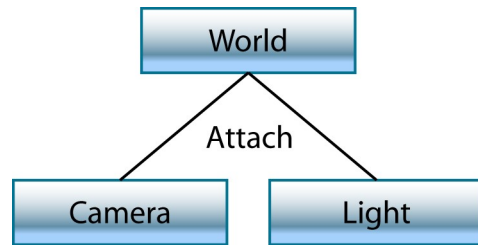
World

A single node in a scene graph, represented as a light blue rectangular box with a thin black border and a subtle gradient. The word "World" is centered inside the box in a black, sans-serif font.

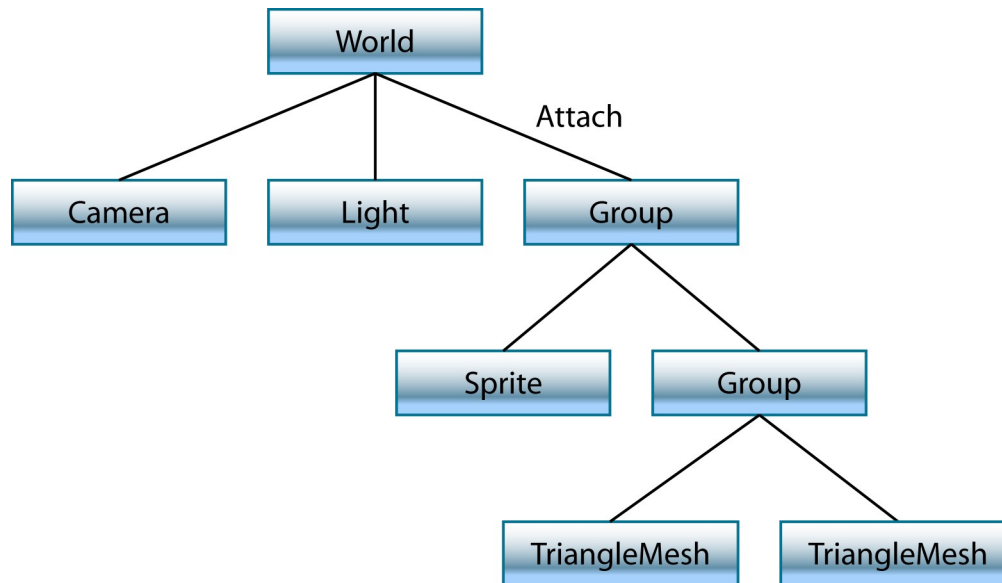
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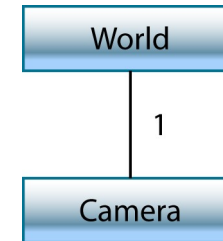
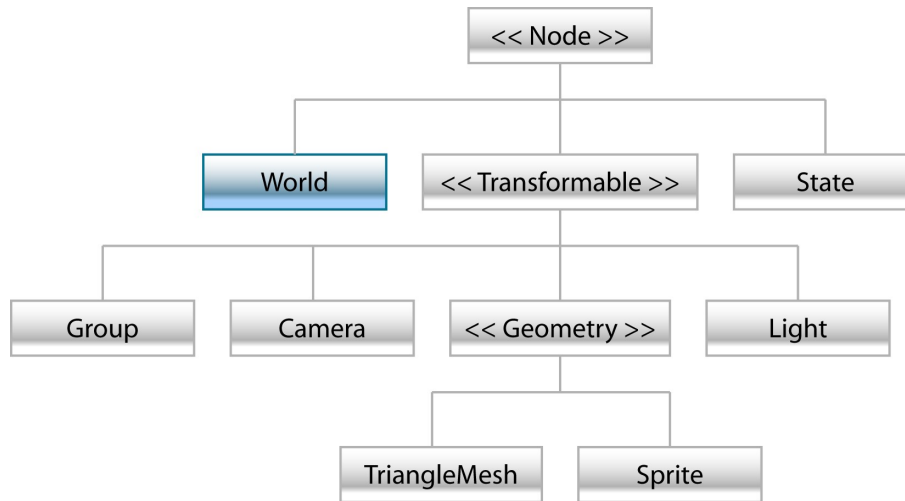


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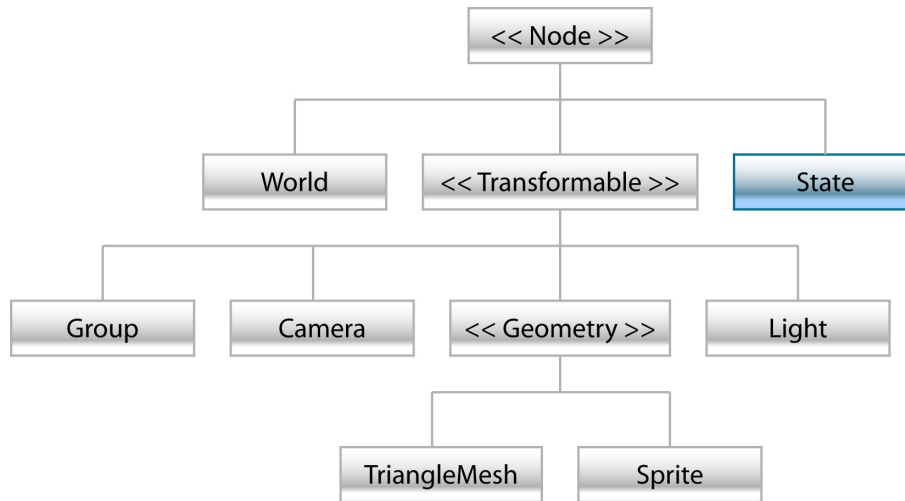




- The root node of the scene graph must be a World node. Not permitted anywhere else in the scene graph!
- Draw the entire scene graph using:  

```
void drawAll (...);
```
- Must set an active camera. Render scene from this.  

```
void setActiveCamera (...);
```

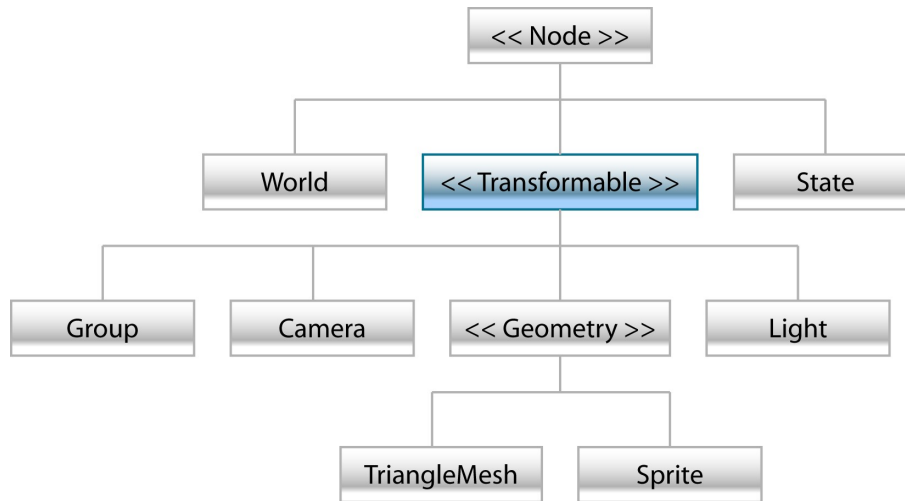


Describes a render state.

- Depth testing
- Stencil testing
- Scissors testing
- Blending
- Face culling

**Don't worry about these for the assignment**

A “standard state” resides in the World node. Applied before drawing begins.



Rotate (R), Scale (S) and Translate (T)... Hierarchically!

Computed as:

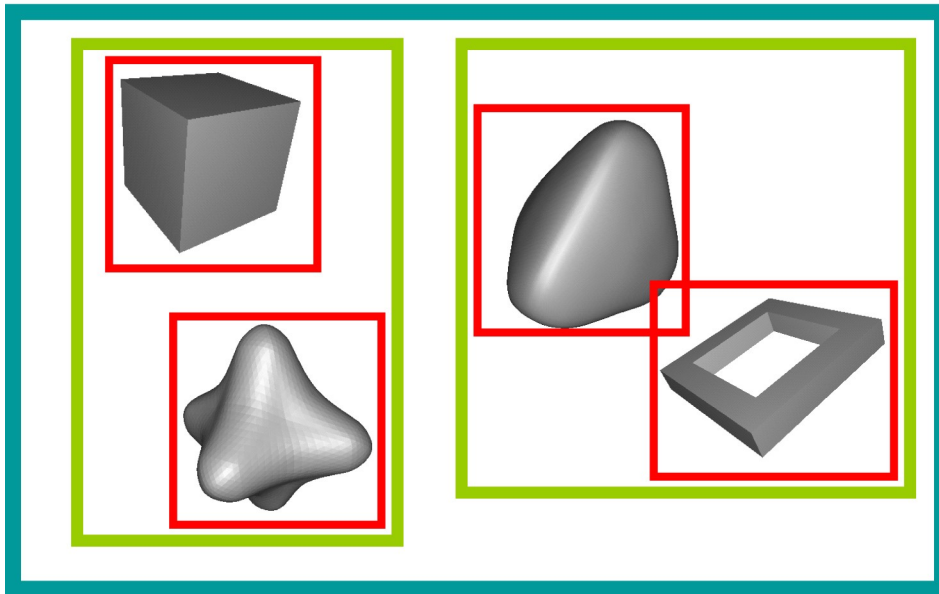
$$M = T * R * S$$

( think: scale, then rotate, then translate )

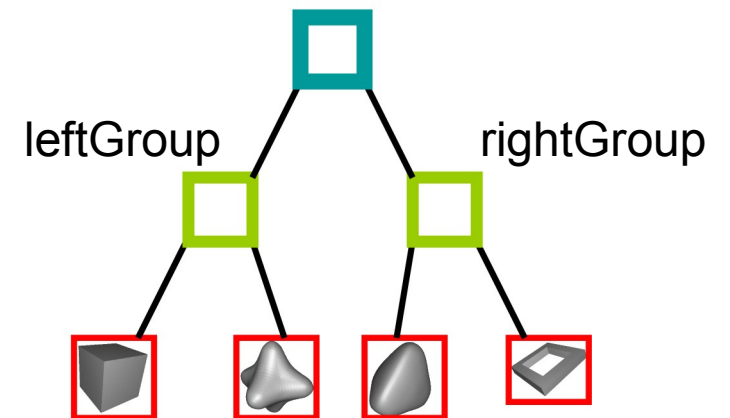


# Hierarchical transformation

In 2D space

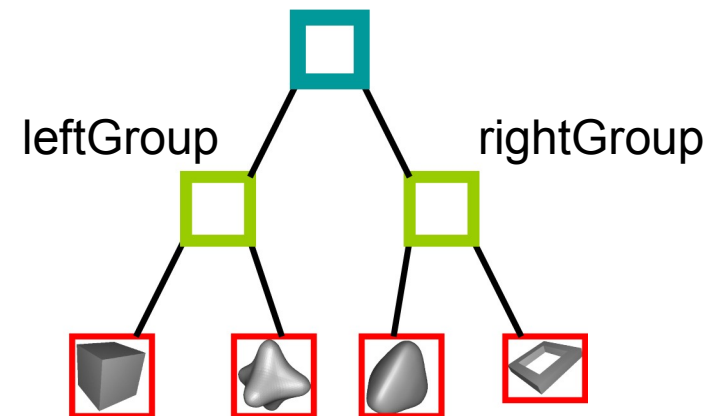
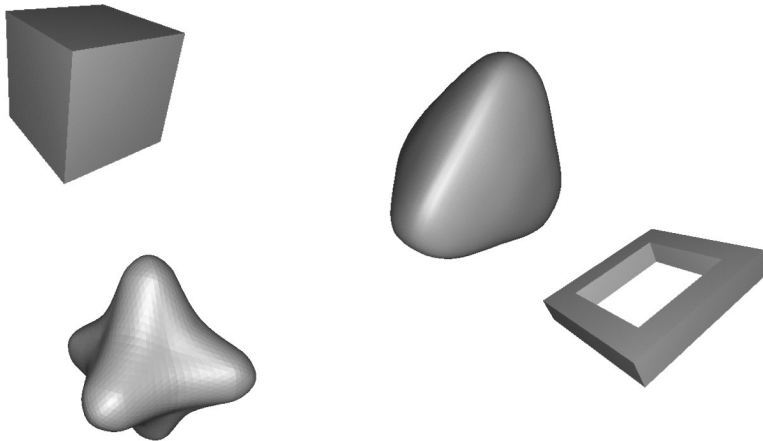


Scene graph



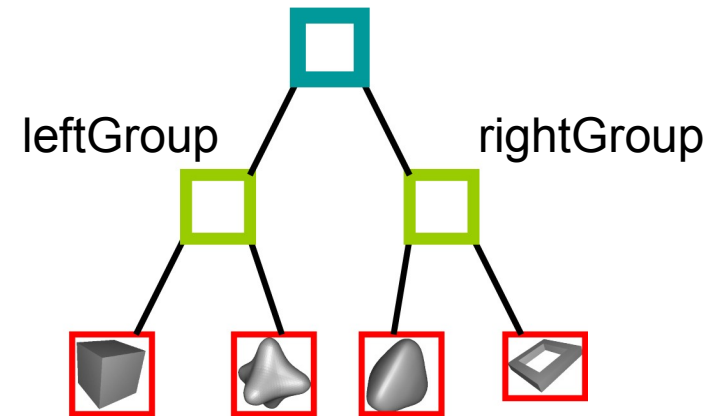
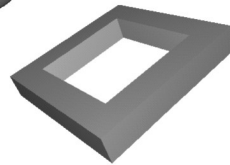
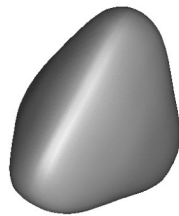
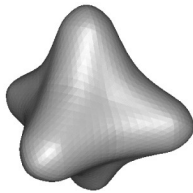
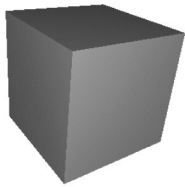
# Hierarchical transformation

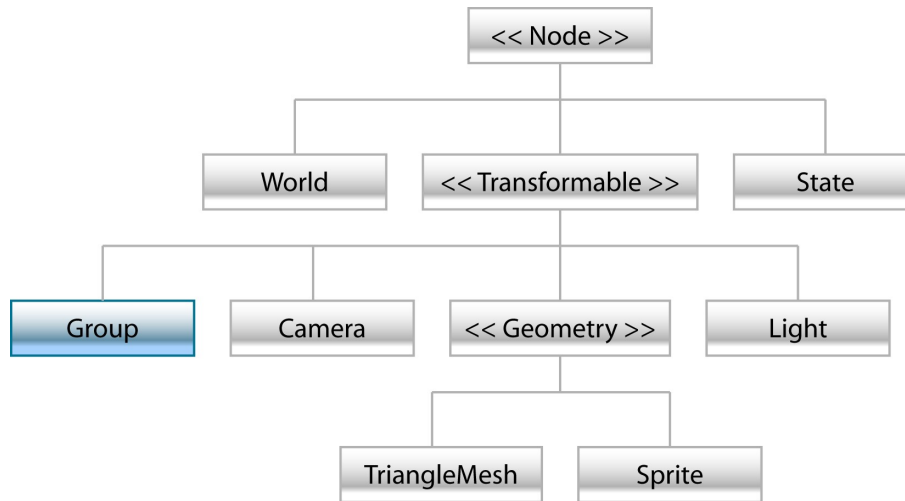
```
rightGroup->translate(2.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
```



# Hierarchical transformation

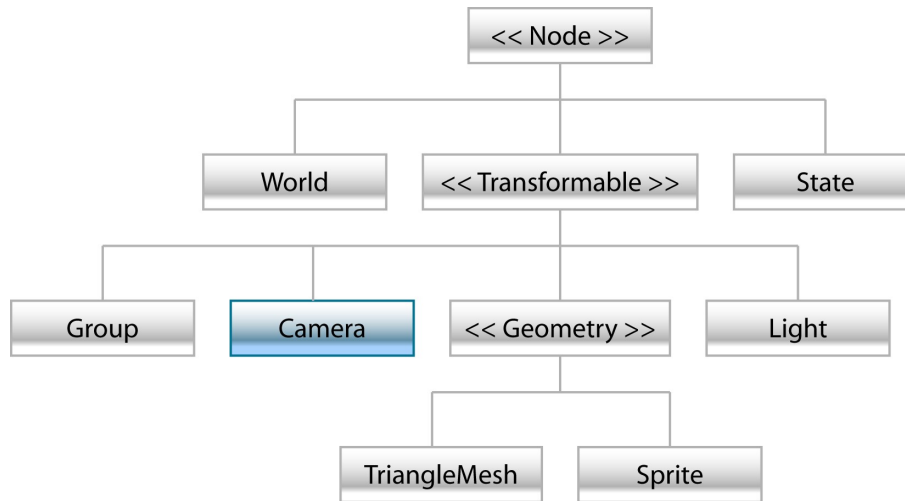
```
rightGroup->translate(2.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
```





- Just a “dummy node” ...
- Use to stack hierarchical transformations.
- .pwn files are loaded into Group nodes.

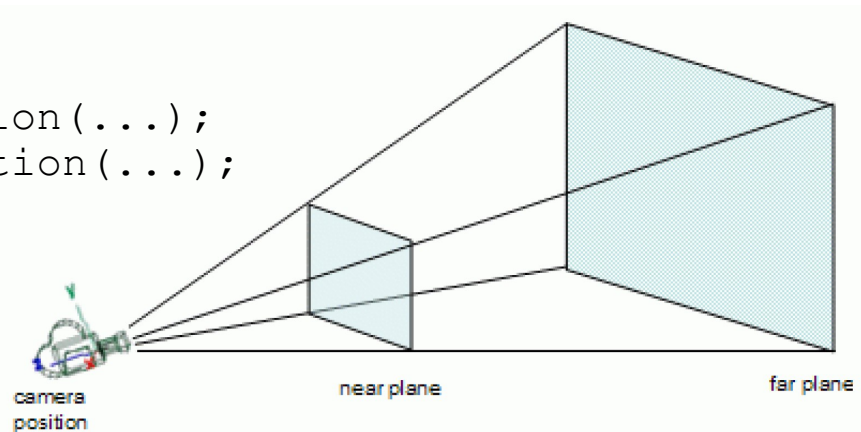
```
Group *g = sceneGraph.createGroup("spaceship.pwn", ...);
```

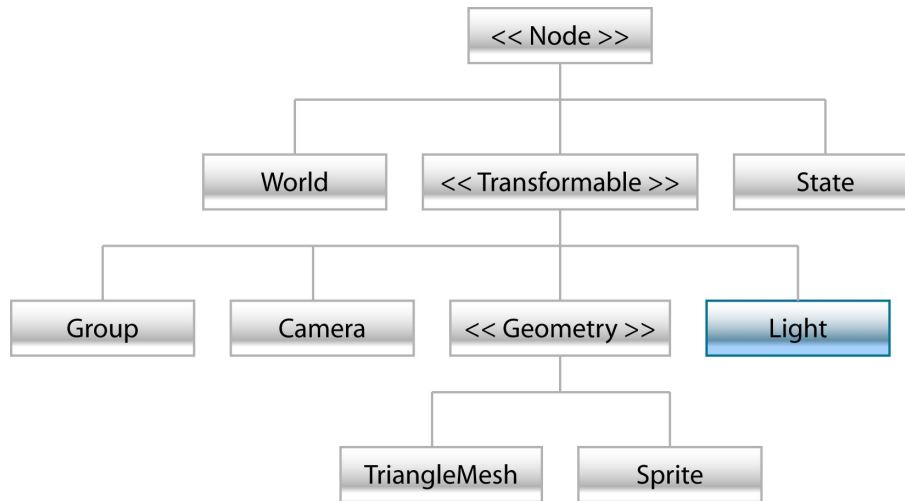


Looks down negative Z-axis

Projection is set to orthogonal, perspective or a custom matrix.

```
void setOrthogonalProjection(...);  
void setPerspectiveProjection(...);  
void setProjection(...);
```



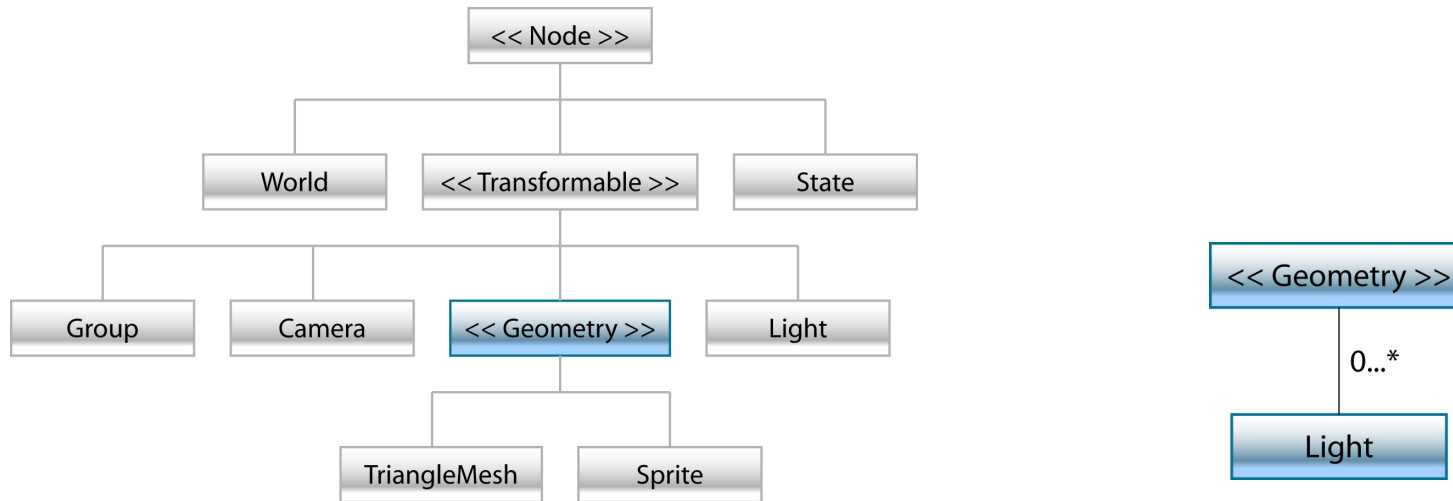


Very simple point light source.

- Color
- Intensity

A point in your scene.

Used by Geometry



Base class of geometric objects.

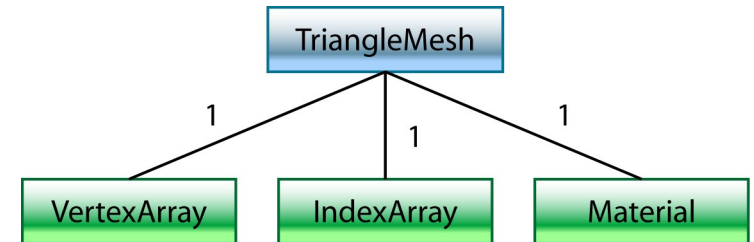
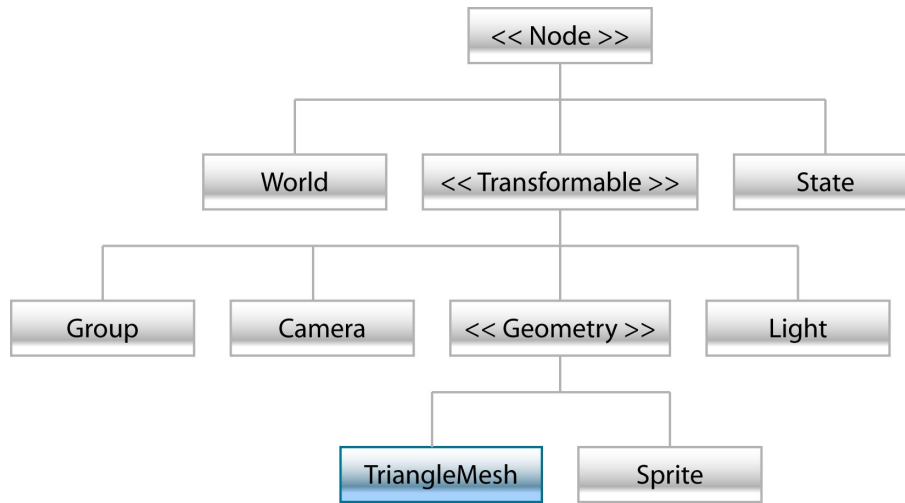
Set active lights on it for lighting calculations.

```

void setLight(...);
void clearLight(...);
Light *getLight(...);
  
```

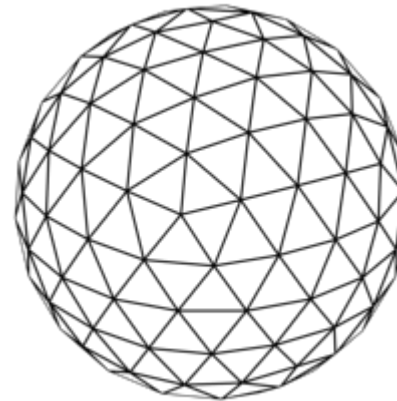
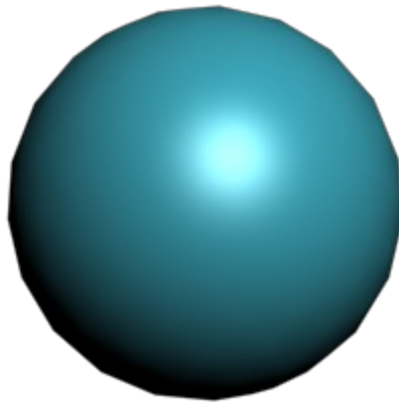
It's up to the sub-classes how they use these lights.

- A TriangleMesh with MaterialPhong needs at least one light.
- A TriangleMesh with MaterialColorful doesn't need any lights.

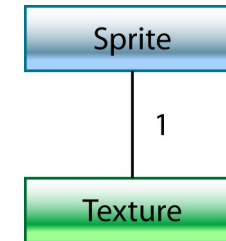
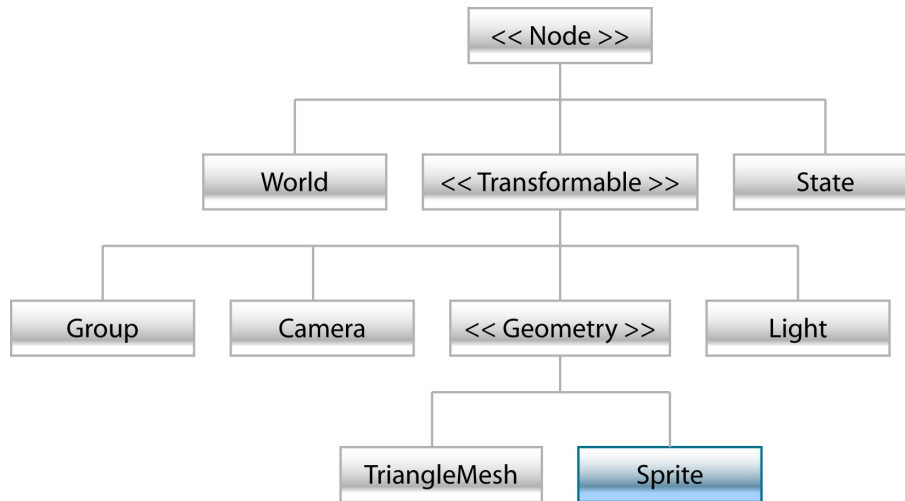


Describes a triangle mesh.

- VertexArray + IndexArray defines triangles.
- Material defines appearance.







A Sprite is just two triangles glued together.

- Always faces the camera.
- *May* be lit using Light nodes.
  - No light nodes attached = fully lit
- Great for explosions!



# Memory debugging

Yes it's true – no garbage collection!

Memory.h *tries* to catch mistakes...

- Writing outside of an array
- Writing to free'd memory
- Freeing already free'd memory
- Memory leaks

Enable `#define MEMORY_DEBUG`  
from time to time...

# Memory debugging

In the emulator...

