Intel® oneAPI Rendering Toolkit

OSPRay Studio

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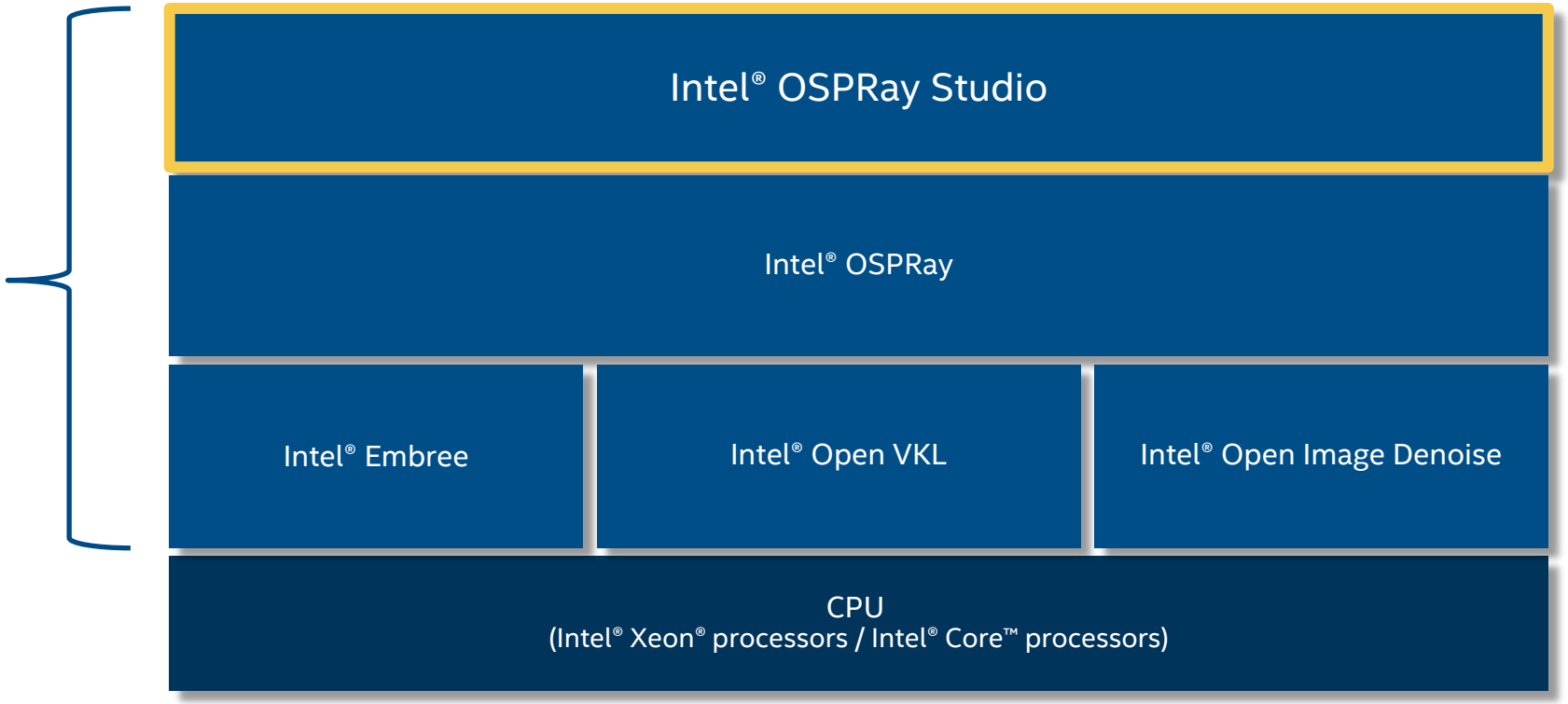
Intel® OSPRay Studio overview

A simple-to-use scene graph-based application for driving all of OSPRay's features



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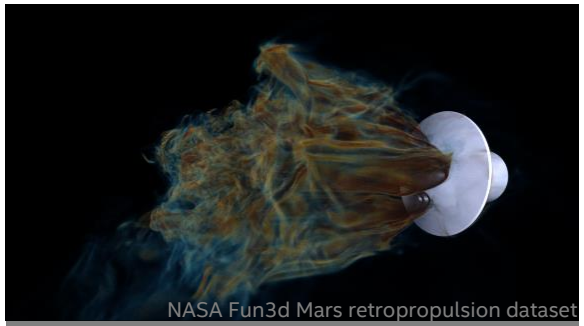
Feature Highlights

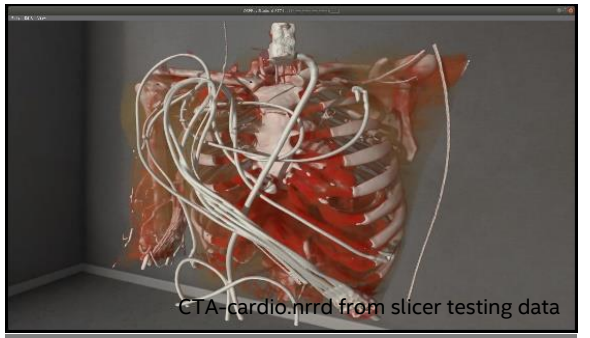
- **File Importers** – obj/mtl, glTF, vdb, structured and unstructured volume formats
- **Scene and image exporter** – saves rendered frames in different image formats. Or save the scene file with materials/lights properties of objects.
- **Scene Graph Library** – a library of node classes and visitors classes to create and render a scene graph, including Animation and Skinning.
- **Plugins** – runtime loadable shared-object libraries that can extend many aspects of the scene graph and application UI
- **Modes** – different ways of interaction with scene. Example, GUI or Batch mode of interaction.
- **GUI and Widgets** – standard GUI and custom GUI controls which extend the main GUI and provide feature specific controls

Visualization in the broader term..



Scientific Visualization

Product Visualization



Medical Visualization

Architecture Visualization

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Building OSPRay Studio

- Make sure you have *OSPRay Superbuild*. For more information: https://github.com/ospray/ospray#cmake-superbuild
- Export following variables to install locations of the superbuild:
  - *ospray_DIR , openvkl_DIR, embree_DIR, rkcommon_DIR*
- Clone OSPRay Studio
  - git clone https://github.com/ospray/ospray_studio/
- Create build directory and change directory to it (we recommend keeping a separate build directory)
  - *cd ospray_studio && mkdir build && cd build*
- Then run the typical CMake routine
  - cmake .. && make -j `nproc`
  - Set up LD_LIBRARY_PATH (on Linux) or DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH (on macOS) correctly to contain all dependencies

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Interactive Demo: Introduction

OSPRay Studio Design

Components

- **Application** – defining user-interaction for eg: GUI application called MainWindow
- **Scene Graph Library** – a *library* for implementing its internal scene representation

Scene Graph Library

- The Scene Graph(SG) library implements the Abstract Scene Graph(or simply a Scene Graph) representation of the scene. It contains:
  - *Nodes* classes, used to instantiate nodes for creating a Scene Graph.
  - *Visitors* classes, to perform node specific tasks to be performed on the scene graph, once it is created.

Scene Graph Library

- Types of Node classes :
  - **Generic**: Base node class, implements important functions like createChild() and add().
  - **Strongly-typed**: Implements specific data-types like string or int.
  - **OSPRay-typed**: creates OSPRay objects internally and stores a handle to them.
- Nodes are connected in a **parent-child** tree structure,
- The root Frame node contains **Framebuffer**, **Camera**, **Renderer**, and **World** children – which are the main objects of the OSPRay ospRenderFrame() API.
- More documentation here: https://github.com/ospray/ospray_studio/blob/master/doc/scenegraph.md

Abstract Scene Graph

- An *Abstract Scene Graph* is a design concept and represents the internal scene structure of OSPRay Studio.
- Directed Acyclic Graph(DAG) of scene objects
- Every object is represented as a *node* and has at least one parent (unless it is root)

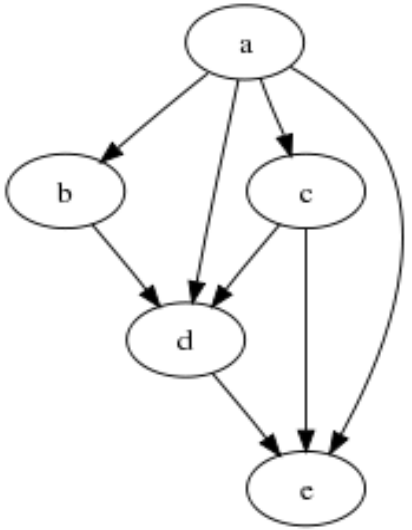


Fig: A Directed Acyclic Graph

Abstract Scene Graph

- Example: a light object can be represented as a light node in the scene graph, having a transform node as parent to define its position in the world.

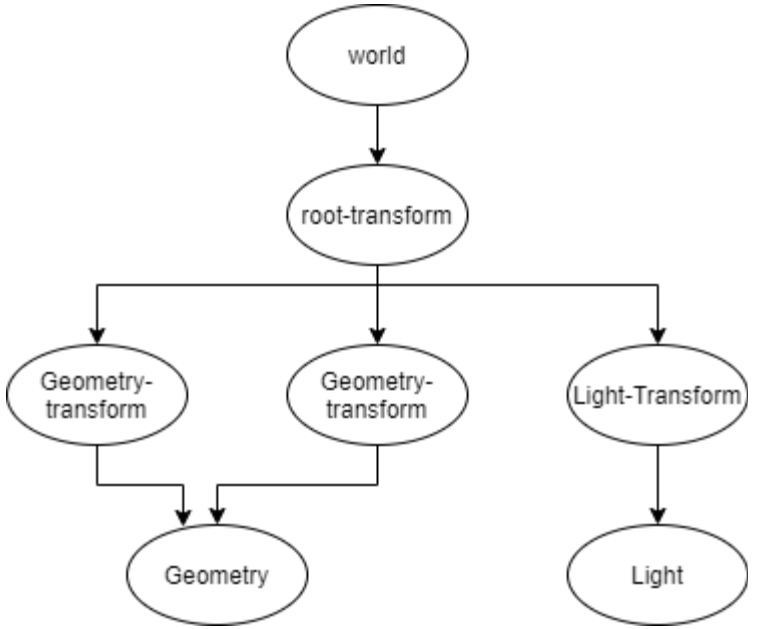


Fig: DAG implementation of scene graph

Abstract Scene Graph

- Different scene structure than its renderer scene hierarchy
- Scene graph can be rendered using a particular rendering implementation(Visitors)
- Allows for loose coupling between the two scene representations
- Customization of scene objects like lights, camera
- Introduction of new objects in the scene during rendering time
- Backend scene hierarchy is updated simultaneously, and new frames are received from OSPRay.

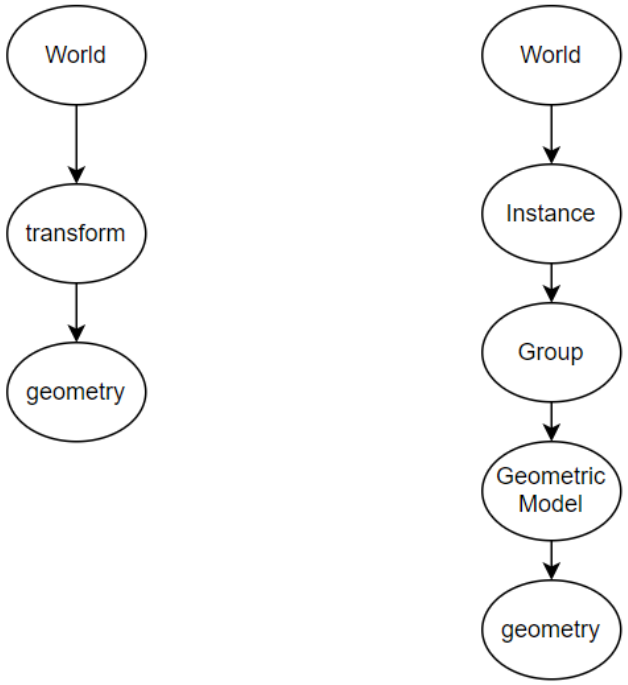


Fig: Difference in scene hierarchy for adding a simple geometry to the world between OSPRay Studio (left) and OSPRay (right). In the abstract scene graph representation of OSPRay Studio we have fewer objects

Saving a scene graph

- *portable visualization state* that contains all scene objects like lights, cameras, etc.
- scene objects in JSON-format.
- .sg files are editable i.e.; modify a scene graph offline

```
{
 "children": [
 {
  "description": "<no description>",
  "name": "imperial_crown_rootXfm",
  "subType": "Transform",
  "type": 9,
  "value": {
   "affine": [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 ],
   "linear": {
    "x": [ 1.0, 0.0, 0.0 ],
    "y": [ 0.0, 1.0, 0.0 ],
    "z": [ 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ]
   }
  }
 }
 ],
 "description": "<no description>",
 "filename": "AustrianCrown/impCrown.obj",
 "name": "impCrown.obj.obj_importer",
 "subType": "importer_obj",
 "type": 20
}
```

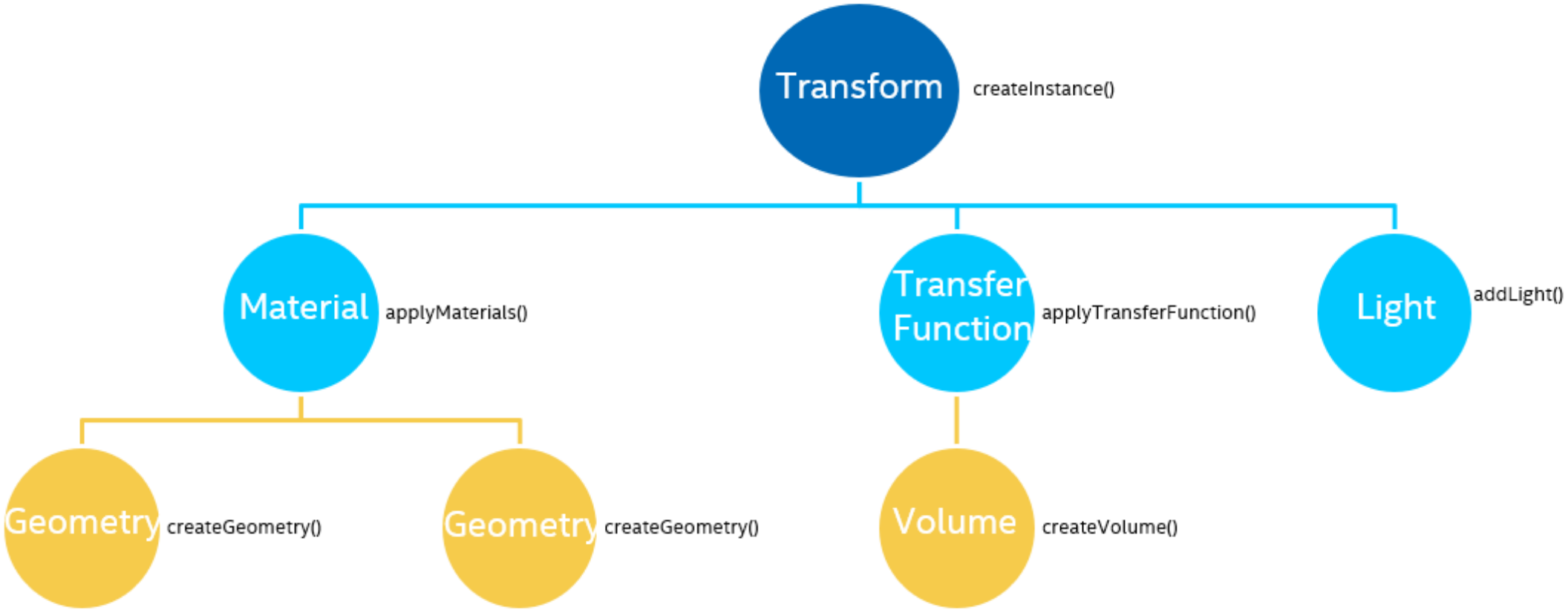
Fig: excerpt from a saved .sg file

Visitors

Design pattern to implement different operations on different elements in a hierarchical object structure.

- Classes for implementing the rendering backends. Only OSPRay implemented currently.
- Converts scene graph to a representation understood by the rendering backend.
- **Commits** scene graph data into a format that the OSPRay API expects
- Can also perform other node specific tasks like generate Widgets for every node

Visitors example: RenderScene()



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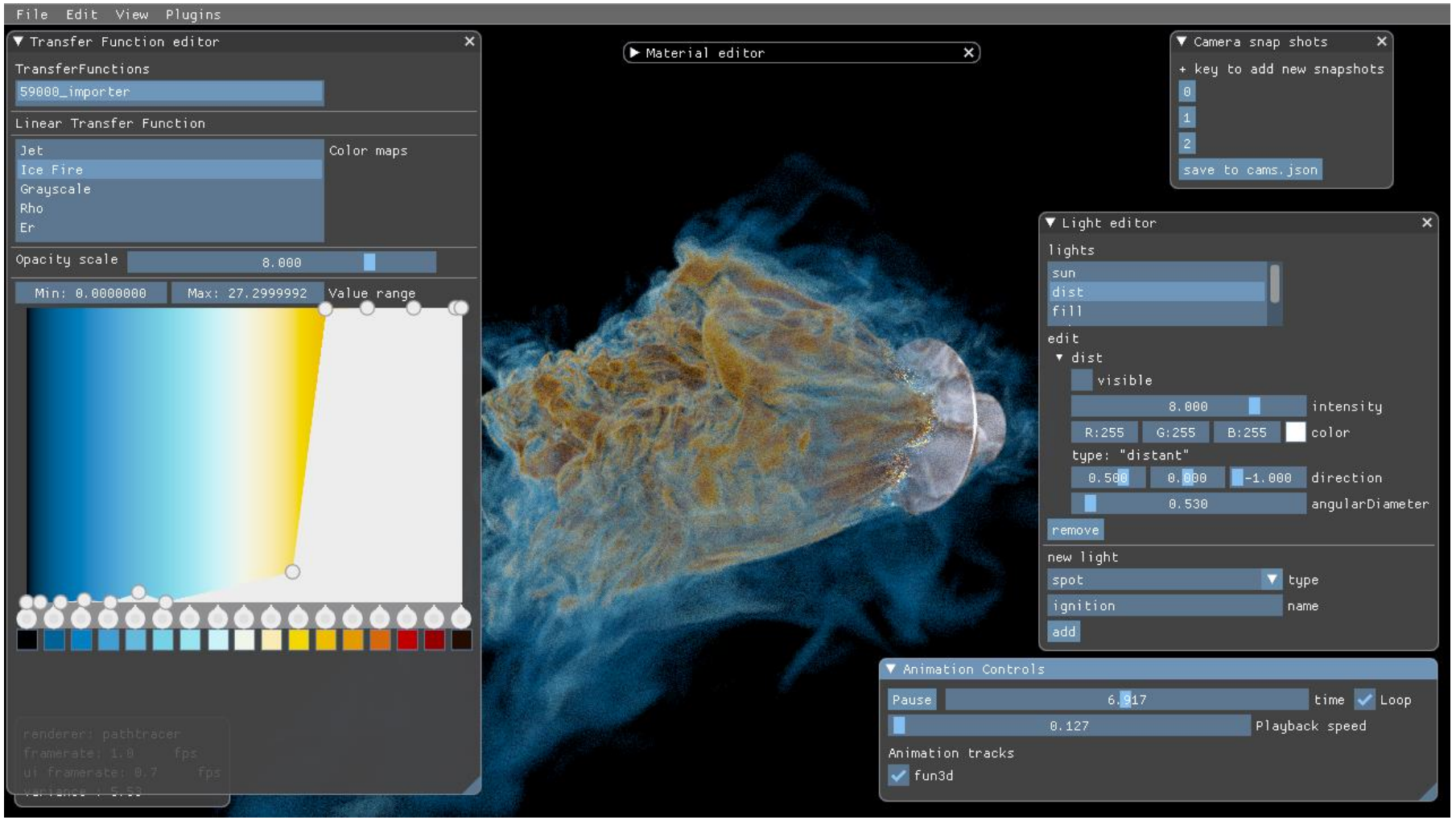
Customizations through plugins:

Shared-object libraries loaded at runtime

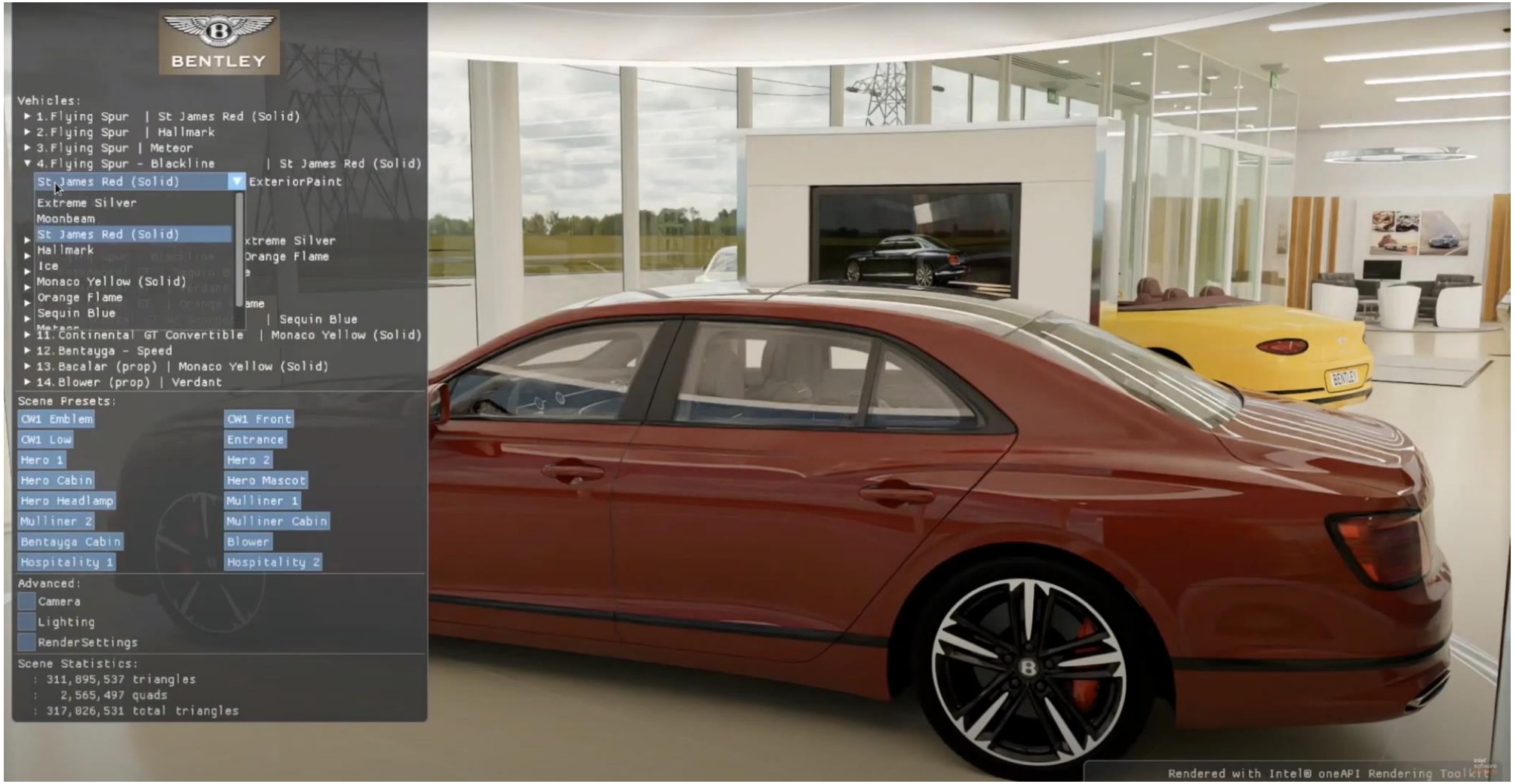
- Used for implementing new features, example: file loaders, UI menus and panels, scene graph nodes (ex. add new geometry, volumes, materials).
- Inherit from the **Plugin** class and implement **init_plugin_<name>()** function
- The derived Plugin class can implement either a UI panel or a mainMethod()
- The UI elements on these panels allow the plugin to interact with the user and scene graph.
- Plugins can also register new scene graph nodes to create new scene graph functionality.

Scientific Visualization: NASA Fun3D data

NASA Fun3d Mars retropropulsion dataset https://fun3d.larc.nasa.gov/



Product Visualization: Bentley Motors collab



Bentley Motors Ltd. Vehicle Models used with permission

GUI and Widgets

- Fast GUI to modify scene properties
- Dear ImGui for GUI and menus atop a GLFW window
- Used for creating both main menu and widgets
- Easy to minimize , avoids cluttering
- Widgets provide custom GUI controls like animation controls

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Interactive Demo: Animation

Python Bindings

- Preliminary implementation of python bindings of the OSPRay Studio scene graph library using pyBind11.
- Creates a Python module that can be imported in your python code and used directly.
- Allows you to call functions and pass data from Python to C++

Python Bindings

Short excerpt from the implementation:

- Include pybind11 and sg library headers
- Use PYBIND11_MODULE macro to create the *py::module* object
- *sg.def()* defines a function that's exported by the bindings, meaning it will be visible from Python.

```
PYBIND11_MODULE(pysg, sg)
{
  // OSPRay initialization ////////////////////

  sg.def("init", &init);

  // Main Node factory function//////////////

  sg.def(
     "createNode", py::overload_cast<std::string,
std::string>(&createNode));
  sg.def("createNode",
     py::overload_cast<std::string, std::string,
rkcommon::utility::Any>(
        &createNode));
....
}
```

Python Bindings

- Calling the exported functions from python:
- Import *pysg*, name should be same as used with PYBIND11_MODULE macro.
- Call functions/classes exported directly, here we call function *createChild()*

```
#sgTutorial.py

import pysg as sg
from pysg import Any, vec3f, Data, vec2i

sg.init(sys.argv)

W = 1024
H = 768

window_size = Any(vec2i(W, H))

frame = sg.Frame()
frame.createChild("windowSize", "vec2i", window_size)
world = frame.child("world")
..
..
```

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Interactive Demo: Scalable Rendering with MPI