

EB GUIDE tutorial

Working with a 3D graphic

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1. Tutorial: Working with a 3D graphic

NOTE

Default window layout



All instructions and screenshots of this user's guide use the default window layout. If you want to follow the instructions, we recommend to set the EB GUIDE Studio window to default layout by selecting **Layout > Reset to default layout**.

EB GUIDE Studio offers the possibility to use 3D graphics in your EB GUIDE model.

The following instructions guide you through the process of adding a 3D graphic to your EB GUIDE model. The instructions show you how to import a 3D graphic and how to modify the appearance of the imported 3D graphic using widget features. For best results, work through the following steps in order presented.

NOTE

3D graphic



To create a 3D graphic file, use third-party 3D modeling software.

Only the OpenGL ES version 2.0 or higher and DirectX 11 renderers can display 3D graphics. Make sure that your graphic driver is compatible to the version of the renderer. The supported 3D graphic formats are COLLADA (.dae) and Filmbox (.fbx). For best results, use the Filmbox format.

To be able to apply textures to a mesh, a 3D object needs to have texture coordinates. To add texture coordinates, use third-party 3D modeling software.

Approximate duration: 15 minutes.



Importing a 3D graphic

The following instructions guide you through the process of importing a 3D graphic file to EB GUIDE Studio project.

Prerequisite:

- The content area displays the Main state machine.
- The Main state machine contains an initial state and a view state.
- The initial state has a transition to the view state.
- A 3D graphic file is available. The file contains a camera, a light source, and one object containing a mesh and at least one material.

Step 1

In the content area, double-click the view state.



The view is displayed in the content area.

Step 2

Drag a scene graph from the **Toolbox** into the view.

The view displays the empty bounding box.

Step 3

Rename the scene graph to My3DGraphic.

Step 4

In the Properties component, click Import file.

A dialog opens.

Step 5

Navigate to the directory where the 3D graphic file is stored.

Step 6

Select the 3D graphic file.

Step 7

Click Open.

The import starts. The **Import successful** dialog is displayed. Here you have the possibility to check the import log file.

Step 8

Click OK.

The view displays the 3D graphic. The **Navigation** component displays the imported widget tree with the scene graph as a parent node. My3DGraphic contains a RootNode that has at least one mesh with material, camera and several other child widgets depending on the content of your 3D graphic file.



Adding widgets

The following instructions guide you through the process of adding an additional light source to your 3D graphic.

Prerequisite:

You completed the previous instruction.

Step 1

In the Navigation component, expand RootNode.

Step 2

Drag a directional light from the Toolbox to RootNode.

You added a directional light to My3DGraphic. You can manipulate and transform this directional light with the transformation properties of the RootNode.



Step 3

To add the light source and place it with default widget properties different from the RootNode scene graph, do the following:

Step 3.1

Drag a scene graph node from the Toolbox to RootNode.

Step 3.2

Rename the scene graph node to MyLight.

Step 3.3

Drag a directional light from the **Toolbox** to MyLight.

You added a directional light to My3DGraphic. To change the placing of the directional light, change the properties of MyLight.



Changing meshes

Prerequisite:

- You completed the previous instruction.
- The \$GUIDE_PROJECT_PATH/<project name>/resources/<3D graphic name> directory contains an additional .ebmesh file.

Step 1

In the Navigation component, click Mesh 1, and go to the Properties component.

Sten 2

From the mesh combo box select the .ebmesh file from the resource folder mentioned above.

The view displays the scene graph with the new mesh.

Step 3

Alternatively, drag an .ebmesh file from the Assets component into the mesh drop-down list box.

The view displays the scene graph with the new mesh.



Changing textures

The following instructions guide you through the process of adding and modifying textures of your 3D graphic.

Prerequisite:

You completed the previous instruction.



■ The \$GUIDE_PROJECT_PATH/<project name>/resources/<3D graphic name> directory contains a .png or .jpg image file.

Step 1

In the Navigation component, click the material, and go to the Properties component.

Step 2

In the Widget feature properties category, click Add/Remove.

The Widget features dialog is displayed.

Step 3

Under **Available widget features**, expand the **3D** category, and select a texture widget feature, for example **Diffuse texture**.

Step 4

Click Accept.

The related widget feature properties are added to the material and displayed in the **Properties** component.

Step 5

In the Properties component, select an image from the diffuseTexture combo box.

The view displays a scene graph with the new texture.

NOTE

Usage of 3D widget features



These instructions are valid for the following widget features from the category 3D:

- Ambient texture
- Diffuse texture
- Emissive texture
- Light map texture
- Normal map texture
- Opaque texture
- Reflection texture
- Specular texture



Displaying 3D object several times

The following instructions guide you through the process of adding an additional camera to be able to display the 3D object of your 3D graphic several times. You will be able to have different points of view of the same object.

Prerequisite:

You completed the previous instruction.

Step 1

In the Navigation component, click My3DGraphic and go to the Properties component.

Step 2

Enter 800 in the width text box and 480 in the height text box.

The My3DGraphic scene graph has the size of the view.

Step 3

In the Navigation component, expand RootNode and Camera001.

Step 4

Click Camera 1 and go to the Properties component.

Sten 5

In the Widget feature properties category, click Add/Remove.

The Widget features dialog is displayed.

Step 6

Under Available widget features, expand the 3D category, and select Camera viewport.

Step 7

Click Accept.

The related widget feature properties are added to Camera 1 and displayed in the Properties component.

Step 8

Drag a camera from the **Toolbox** to the scene graph node Camera001.

You added a second camera.

Step 9

Click Camera 2 and go to the Properties component.

Step 10

In the nearPlane, farPlane and fieldOfView text boxes enter the same values that Camera 1 has.

Both Camera 1 and Camera 2 have the same viewing position.

Step 11

In the Widget feature properties category, click Add/Remove.

The Widget features dialog is displayed.

Step 12

Under Available widget features, expand the 3D category, and select Camera viewport.

Step 13

Click Accept.

The related widget feature properties are added to Camera 2 and displayed in the **Properties** component.



Step 14

In the Properties component, enter 100 in viewportX and viewportY text boxes.

In the view, the 3D object is displayed two times with different x-coordinate and y-coordinate.