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# **vgl Documentation**

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## User Documentation

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### 1.1 Getting Started

VGL is a lightweight rendering library for scientific visualization and applications. It provides a object level API for WebGL. The high level API provided by the VGL is essential for building sophisticated visualization applications over the web.

For information on how to build VGL on your system please refer to *Build*. VGL is developed as part of ClimatePipes project which is funded by Department of Energy (DOE).

### 1.2 Build

You will need `cmake` to build VGL. Follow documentation on `_cmake` on how to get it installed on your system. Once installed, follow these steps:

```
$ git clone git://github.com:OpenGeoscience/vgl.git
$ mkdir build
$ cd build
$ cmake ../vgl
```

If you have installed `uglifyjs`, then set `UglifyJS_EXECUTABLE` to the `uglify` executable, and then `configure` again. Finally, when you are satisfied with all the options, then you can run `make` to generate the library.:

```
$ make
```

### 1.3 Support

For all your general questions on how to use VGL, please send an email to [opengeoscience-users@public.kitware.com](mailto:opengeoscience-users@public.kitware.com). If you want to discuss on VGL API and other code level issues, then send an email to [opengeoscience-developers@public.kitware.com](mailto:opengeoscience-developers@public.kitware.com).

### 1.4 FAQ





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## Developer Documentation

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### 2.1 API

#### 2.1.1 Object (data)

##### Object

Object.**size** (*obj*)

##### Arguments

- **obj** –

Convenient function to get size of an object

##### Returns

- 

**Return type** number

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#### 2.1.2 `_global_` (data)

##### `_global_`

`_global_.gl`

`_global_.TraversalMode`

Type of traverse modes

`_global_.vertexAttributeKeys`

Vertex attribute keys

`_global_.vgl`

ogs.vgl namespace

`_global_.VisitorType`

Types of visitor type

`modelViewMatrixStack()`

Helper function to create stack for matrices

**pushMatrix** (*mat*)

**Arguments**

- **mat** –

Push new matrix to the stack

**popMatrix** ()

Pop matrix from the stack

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

**vglAttributeData** ()

Attribute data for the source

**inherit** (*C*, *P*)

**Arguments**

- **C** –
- **P** –

Convenient function to define JS inheritance

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### 2.1.3 **m\_globalModifiedTime** (class)

**class** **m\_globalModifiedTime** ()

Create a new instance of class timestamp

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.timestamp

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### 2.1.4 **vgl.GL** (class)

**class** **vgl.GL** ()

Wrap GL enums. Currently to get values of the enums we need to create or access the context.

Using enums from here: [https://github.com/toji/dart-gl-enums/blob/master/lib/gl\\_enums.dart](https://github.com/toji/dart-gl-enums/blob/master/lib/gl_enums.dart)

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### 2.1.5 **vgl.actor** (class)

**class** **vgl.actor** ()

Create a new instance of class actor

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.actor

`vgl.actor.matrix()`

Get transformation matrix used by the actor

**Returns**

**Return type** `mat4`

`vgl.actor.setMatrix(4X4)`

**Arguments**

- **4X4** (*mat4*) – transformation matrix

Set transformation matrix for the actor

`vgl.actor.referenceFrame()`

Get reference frame for the transformations

**Returns** Possible values are Absolute or Relative

**Return type** `String`

`vgl.actor.setReferenceFrame(referenceFrame)`

**Arguments**

- **referenceFrame** (*vgl.boundingObject.ReferenceFrame*) – Possible values are (Absolute | Relative)

Set reference frame for the transformations

`vgl.actor.mapper()`

Return mapper where actor gets its behavior and data

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.mapper`

`vgl.actor.setMapper()`

:param `vgl.mapper` :

Connect an actor to its data source

`vgl.actor.accept(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

`vgl.actor.ascend(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

`vgl.actor.computeLocalToWorldMatrix(matrix, visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **matrix** –
- **visitor** –

Compute object space to world space matrix

`vgl.actor.computeWorldToLocalMatrix(matrix, visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **matrix** –

- **visitor** –

Compute world space to object space matrix

`vgl.actor.computeBounds()`

Compute actor bounds

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## 2.1.6 `vgl.blendFunction` (class)

**class** `vgl.blendFunction` (*source*, *destination*)

Create a new instance of class `blendFunction`

### Arguments

- **source** –
- **destination** –

### Returns

**rtype** `vgl.blendFunction`

`vgl.blendFunction.apply()`

:param `vgl.renderState` :

Apply blend function to the current state

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## 2.1.7 `vgl.boundingBox` (class)

**class** `vgl.boundingBox` ()

Create a new instance of class `boundingObject`

### Returns

**rtype** `vgl.boundingBox`

`vgl.boundingBox.bounds()`

Get current bounds of the object

`vgl.boundingBox.setBounds(minX, maxX, minY, maxY, minZ, maxZ)`

### Arguments

- **minX** –
- **maxX** –
- **minY** –
- **maxY** –
- **minZ** –
- **maxZ** –

Set current bounds of the object

`vgl.boundingBox.resetBounds()`

Reset bounds to default values

`vgl.boundingObject.computeBounds()`

Compute bounds of the object

Should be implemented by the concrete class

`vgl.boundingObject.computeBoundsTimestamp()`

Return bounds computation modification time

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.timestamp`

`vgl.boundingObject.boundsDirtyTimestamp()`

Return bounds dirty timestamp

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.timestamp`

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## 2.1.8 `vgl.camera` (class)

**class** `vgl.camera()`

Create a new instance of class camera

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.camera`

`vgl.camera.viewAngle()`

Get view angle of the camera

`vgl.camera.setViewAngleDegrees(a)`

**Arguments**

- `a` –

Set view angle of the camera in degrees, which is converted to radians.

`vgl.camera.setViewAngle(a)`

**Arguments**

- `a` –

Set view angle of the camera in degrees, which is converted to radians.

`vgl.camera.position()`

Get position of the camera

`vgl.camera.setPosition(x, y, z)`

**Arguments**

- `x` –
- `y` –
- `z` –

Set position of the camera

`vgl.camera.focalPoint()`

Get focal point of the camera

`vgl.camera.setFocalPoint (x, y, z)`

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **z** –

Set focal point of the camera

`vgl.camera.viewUpDirection ()`

Get view-up direction of camera

`vgl.camera.setViewUpDirection (x, y, z)`

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **z** –

Set view-up direction of the camera

`vgl.camera.centerOfRotation ()`

Get center of rotation for camera

`vgl.camera.setCenterOfRotation (centerOfRotation)`

**Arguments**

- **centerOfRotation** –

Set center of rotation for camera

`vgl.camera.getClippingRange ()`

Get clipping range of the camera

`vgl.camera.setClippingRange (near, far)`

**Arguments**

- **near** –
- **far** –

Set clipping range of the camera

`vgl.camera.viewAspect ()`

Get view aspect

`vgl.camera.setViewAspect (aspect)`

**Arguments**

- **aspect** –

Set view aspect

`vgl.camera.isEnabledParallelProjection ()`

Return if parallel projection is enabled

`vgl.camera.enableParallelProjection (flag)`

**Arguments**

- **flag** –

Enable / disable parallel projection

`vgl.camera.setParallelProjection` (*left, right, top, bottom*)

**Arguments**

- **left** –
- **right** –
- **top** –
- **bottom** –

Set parallel projection parameters

`vgl.camera.directionOfProjection` ()

Return direction of projection

`vgl.camera.viewPlaneNormal` ()

Return view plane normal direction

`vgl.camera.viewMatrix` ()

Return view-matrix for the camera This method does not compute the view-matrix for the camera. It is assumed that a call to `computeViewMatrix` has been made earlier.

**Returns**

**Return type** mat4

`vgl.camera.projectionMatrix` ()

Return camera projection matrix This method does not compute the projection-matrix for the camera. It is assumed that a call to `computeProjectionMatrix` has been made earlier.

**Returns**

**Return type** mat4

`vgl.camera.clearMask` ()

Return clear mask used by this camera

**Returns**

**Return type** number

`vgl.camera.setClearMask` (*mask*)

**Arguments**

- **mask** –

Set clear mask for camera

`vgl.camera.clearColor` ()

Get clear color (background color) of the camera

**Returns**

**Return type** Array

`vgl.camera.setClearColor` (*color, g, b, a*)

**Arguments**

- **color** – RGBA
- **g** –
- **b** –

- **a** –

Set clear color (background color) for the camera

`vgl.camera.clearDepth()`

**Returns**

**Return type** {1.0: null}

`vgl.camera.setClearDepth(depth)`

**Arguments**

- **depth** –

`vgl.camera.computeDirectionOfProjection()`

Compute direction of projection

`vgl.camera.computeViewPlaneNormal()`

Compute view plane normal

`vgl.camera.zoom(d)`

**Arguments**

- **d** –

Move camera closer or further away from the scene

`vgl.camera.pan(dx, dy, dz)`

**Arguments**

- **dx** –
- **dy** –
- **dz** –

Move camera sideways

`vgl.camera.computeOrthogonalAxes()`

Compute camera coordinate axes

`vgl.camera.rotate(dx, dy)`

**Arguments**

- **dx** – Rotation around vertical axis in degrees
- **dy** – Rotation around horizontal axis in degrees

Rotate camera around center of rotation

`vgl.camera.computeViewMatrix()`

Compute camera view matrix

`vgl.camera.computeProjectionMatrix()`

Compute camera projection matrix

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## 2.1.9 vgl.command (class)

command



**class** `vgl.command()`  
 Create a new instance of class command

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.command`

`command.keyPressEvent`

`vgl.command`

Event types

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## 2.1.10 `vgl.defaultValue` (class)

**class** `vgl.defaultValue(a, b)`  
 Returns the first parameter if not undefined, otherwise the second parameter.

**Arguments**

- **a** –
- **b** –

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.defaultValue`

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## 2.1.11 `vgl.geojsonReader` (class)

**class** `vgl.geojsonReader()`  
 Create a new instance of geojson reader

This contains code that reads a geoJSON file and produces rendering primitives from it.

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.geojsonReader`

`vgl.geojsonReader.readScalars` (*coordinates, geom, size\_estimate, idx*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –
- **geom** –
- **size\_estimate** –
- **idx** –

Read scalars

`vgl.geojsonReader.readPoint` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read point data

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readMultiPoint` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read multipoint data

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readLineString` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read line string data

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readMultiLineString` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read multi line string

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readPolygon` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read polygon data

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readMultiPolygon` (*coordinates*)

**Arguments**

- **coordinates** –

Read multi polygon data

**Returns**

**Return type** vgl.geometryData

`vgl.geojsonReader.readGJObjectInt` (*object*)

**Arguments**

- **object** –

**Returns**

**Return type**

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`vgl.geojsonReader.readGJObject` (*object*)

**Arguments**

- **object** –

**Returns****Return type**

•

`vgl.geojsonReader.linearizeGeoms` (*geoms, geom*)

**Arguments**

- **geoms** –
- **geom** –

Linearize geometries

`vgl.geojsonReader.readGeomObject` (*object*)

**Arguments**

- **object** –

Read geometries from gejson object

**Returns****Return type** Array

`vgl.geojsonReader.getPrimitives` (*buffer*)

**Arguments**

- **buffer** –

Given a buffer get rendering primitives

**Returns****Return type**

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## 2.1.12 vgl.geometryData (class)

**class** `vgl.geometryData` ()

Create a new instance of class `geometryData`

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.geometryData`

`vgl.geometryData.type` ()

Return type

`vgl.geometryData.name` ()

Return ID of the geometry data

`vgl.geometryData.setName` (*name*)

### Arguments

- **name** –

Set name of the geometry data

`vgl.geometryData.addSource (source)`

### Arguments

- **source** –

Add new source

`vgl.geometryData.source (index)`

### Arguments

- **index** –

Return source for a given index. Returns 0 if not found.

`vgl.geometryData.numberOfSources ()`

Return number of sources

`vgl.geometryData.sourceData (key)`

### Arguments

- **key** –

Return source data given a key

`vgl.geometryData.addPrimitive (primitive)`

### Arguments

- **primitive** –

Add new primitive

`vgl.geometryData.primitive (index)`

### Arguments

- **index** –

Return primitive for a given index. Returns null if not found.

`vgl.geometryData.numberOfPrimitives ()`

Return number of primitives

`vgl.geometryData.bounds ()`

Return bounds [minX, maxX, minY, maxY, minZ, maxZ]

`vgl.geometryData.resetBounds ()`

Reset bounds

`vgl.geometryData.setBounds (minX, maxX, minY, maxY, minZ, maxZ)`

### Arguments

- **minX** –
- **maxX** –
- **minY** –
- **maxY** –

- **minZ** –
- **maxZ** –

Set bounds

`vgl.geometryData.computeBounds()`

Compute bounds

`vgl.geometryData.findClosestVertex(point)`

#### Arguments

- **point** –

Returns the vertex closest to a given position

`vgl.geometryData.getPosition(index)`

#### Arguments

- **index** –

Returns the requested vertex position

`vgl.geometryData.getScalar(index)`

#### Arguments

- **index** –

Returns the scalar corresponding to a given vertex index

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### 2.1.13 `vgl.groupNode` (class)

`class vgl.groupNode()`

Create a new instance of class `groupNode`

#### Returns

**rtype** `vgl.groupNode`

`vgl.groupNode.setVisible(flag)`

#### Arguments

- **flag** –

Turn on / off visibility

#### Returns

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.groupNode.addChild(childNode)`

#### Arguments

- **childNode** –

Make the incoming node as child of the group node

#### Returns

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.groupNode.removeChild(childNode)`

**Arguments**

- **childNode** –

Remove parent-child relationship between the group and incoming node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.groupNode.removeChildren()`

Remove parent-child relationship between child nodes and the group node

`vgl.groupNode.children()`

Return children of this group node

**Returns**

**Return type** Array

`vgl.groupNode.accept(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Accept a visitor and traverse the scene tree

`vgl.groupNode.traverse(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Traverse the scene

`vgl.groupNode.traverseChildrenAndUpdateBounds(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Traverse all of the children and update the bounds for each

`vgl.groupNode.traverseChildren(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Traverse children of the group node

`vgl.groupNode.computeBounds()`

Compute bounds for the group node

`vgl.groupNode.updateBounds(child)`

**Arguments**

- **child** –

Update bounds for the group node

This method is used internally to update bounds of the group node by traversing each of its child.

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## 2.1.14 vgl.interactorStyle (class)

vgl.interactorStyle interactorStyle is a base class for all interactor styles

**class** vgl.**interactorStyle**()

Create a new instance of class interactorStyle

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.interactorStyle

vgl.interactorStyle.**viewer**()

Return viewer referenced by the interactor style

**Returns**

**Return type** null

vgl.interactorStyle.**setViewer**(viewer)

**Arguments**

- **viewer** –

Set viewer for the interactor style

vgl.interactorStyle.**handleMouseDown**(event)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse down event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

vgl.interactorStyle.**handleMouseUp**(event)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse up event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

vgl.interactorStyle.**handleMouseMove**(event)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse move event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

vgl.interactorStyle.**handleKeyPress**(event)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle key press event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.interactorStyle.handleContextMenu` (*event*)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle context menu event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

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## 2.1.15 `vgl.legend` (class)

`vgl.legend`

**class** `vgl.legend` ()

Create a new instance of class legend legend class is intended to create legend for 2D/3D scene.

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.legend`

`vgl.legend.lookupTable` ()

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

`vgl.legend.setLookupTable` (*lookupTable*)

**Arguments**

- **lookupTable** –

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## 2.1.16 `vgl.lineSource` (class)

**class** `vgl.lineSource` (*positions, colors*)

Create a new instance of class lineSource

**Arguments**

- **positions** –
- **colors** –

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.lineSource`

`vgl.lineSource.setPositions` (*positions*)

**Arguments**

- **positions** –



Set start positions for the lines

```
vgl.lineSource.setColors (colors)
```

#### Arguments

- **colors** –

Set colors for the lines

```
vgl.lineSource.create ()
```

Create a point geometry given input parameters

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## 2.1.17 vgl.lookupTable (class)

```
class vgl.lookupTable ()
```

Create a new instance of class lookupTable

#### Returns

**rtype** vgl.lookupTable

```
vgl.lookupTable.setup (renderState)
```

#### Arguments

- **renderState** (*vgl.renderState*) –

Create lookup table, initialize parameters, and bind data to it

```
vgl.lookupTable.colorTable ()
```

Get color table used by the lookup table

#### Returns

##### Return type

- 

```
vgl.lookupTable.setColorTable (colors)
```

#### Arguments

- **colors** –

Set color table used by the lookup table

#### Returns

**Return type** boolean

```
vgl.lookupTable.range ()
```

Get scalar range

#### Returns

**Return type** Array

```
vgl.lookupTable.setRange (range)
```

#### Arguments

- **range** –

Set scalar range for the lookup table

### Returns

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.lookupTable.updateRange` (*range*)

### Arguments

- **range** –

Given a [min,max] range update the lookup table range

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## 2.1.18 vgl.mapper (class)

**class** `vgl.mapper` ()

Create a new instance of class mapper

### Returns

**rtype** `vgl.mapper`

`vgl.mapper.computeBounds` ()

Compute bounds of the data

`vgl.mapper.color` ()

Get solid color of the geometry

`vgl.mapper.setColor` (*r*, *g*, *b*)

### Arguments

- **r** – Red component of the color [0.0 - 1.0]
- **g** – Green component of the color [0.0 - 1.0]
- **b** – Blue component of the color [0.0 - 1.0]

Set solid color of the geometry. Default is teal [1.0, 1.0, 1.0]

`vgl.mapper.geometryData` ()

Return stored geometry data if any

`vgl.mapper.setGeometryData` (*geom*)

### Arguments

- **geom** –

Connect mapper to its geometry data

`vgl.mapper.render` (*renderState*)

### Arguments

- **renderState** –

Render the mapper

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## 2.1.19 vgl.material (class)

**class** `vgl.material()`

Create a new instance of class material

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.material`

`vgl.material.binNumber()`

Return bin number for the material

**Returns**

**Return type** `number`

`vgl.material.setBinNumber(binNo)`

**Arguments**

- `binNo` –

Set bin number for the material

`vgl.material.exists(attr)`

**Arguments**

- `attr` –

Check if incoming attribute already exists in the material

**Returns**

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.material.setAttribute(attr)`

**Arguments**

- `attr` –

Set a new attribute for the material

This method replace any existing attribute except for textures as materials can have multiple textures.

**Returns**

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.material.addAttribute(attr)`

**Arguments**

- `attr` –

Add a new attribute to the material.

**Returns**

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.material.shaderProgram()`

Return shader program used by the material

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.shaderProgram`

`vgl.material.render(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Activate the material

`vgl.material.remove(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Deactivate the material

`vgl.material.bind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Bind and activate material states

`vgl.material.undoBind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Undo-bind and de-activate material states

`vgl.material.bindVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –
- **key** –

Bind vertex data

`vgl.material.undoBindVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –
- **key** –

Undo bind vertex data

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## 2.1.20 `vgl.materialAttribute` (class)

`class vgl.materialAttribute` (*type*)

Create a new instance of class `materialAttribute`

**Arguments**

- **type** –

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.materialAttribute`

`vgl.materialAttribute.type` ()

Return type of the material attribute

**Returns**

**Return type**

•

`vgl.materialAttribute.enabled()`  
Return if material attribute is enabled or not

**Returns****Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.setup(renderState)`

**Arguments**• **renderState** –

Setup (initialize) the material attribute

**Returns****Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.bind(renderState)`

**Arguments**• **renderState** –

Bind and activate the material attribute

**Returns****Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.undoBind(renderState)`

**Arguments**• **renderState** –

Undo bind and deactivate the material

**Returns****Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.setupVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**• **renderState** –• **key** –

Initialize vertex data for the material attribute

**Returns****Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.bindVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**• **renderState** –• **key** –

Bind and activate vertex specific data

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.materialAttribute.undoBindVertexData (renderState, key)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –
- **key** –

Undo bind and deactivate vertex specific data

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

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## 2.1.21 vgl.node (class)

`class vgl.node ()`

Create a new instance of class node

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.node

`vgl.node.accept (visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Accept visitor for scene traversal

`vgl.node.material ()`

Return active material used by the node

`vgl.node.setMaterial (material)`

**Arguments**

- **material** –

Set material to be used the node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.visible ()`

Check if the node is visible or node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.setVisible (flag)`

**Arguments**

- **flag** –

Turn ON/OFF visibility of the node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.parent()`  
Return current parent of the node

**Returns**

**Return type** null

`vgl.node.setParent(parent)`

**Arguments**

- **parent** –

Set parent of the node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.overlay()`  
Check if the node is an overlay node

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.setOverlay(flag)`

**Arguments**

- **flag** –

Set if the node is an overlay node or not

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.node.traverse(visitor)`

**Arguments**

- **visitor** –

Traverse children

`vgl.node.boundsModified()`  
Mark that the bounds are modified

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## 2.1.22 vgl.object (class)

**class** `vgl.object()`  
Create a new instance of class object

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.object`

`vgl.object.modified()`  
Mark the object modified

`vgl.object.getMTime()`  
Return modified time of the object

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

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### 2.1.23 vgl.picker (class)

vgl.picker

**class** vgl.picker ()

Create a new instance of class picker

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.picker

vgl.picker.**getActors** ()

Get actors intersected

vgl.picker.**pick** (*selectionX*, *selectionY*, *renderer*)

**Arguments**

- **selectionX** –
- **selectionY** –
- **renderer** –

Perform pick operation

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### 2.1.24 vgl.planeSource (class)

**class** vgl.planeSource ()

Create a new instance of class planeSource

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.planeSource

vgl.planeSource.**setOrigin** (*x*, *y*, *z*)

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **z** –

Set origin of the plane

vgl.planeSource.**setPoint1** (*x*, *y*, *z*)

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **z** –



Set point that defines the first axis of the plane

```
vgl.planeSource.setPoint2(x, y, z)
```

#### Arguments

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **z** –

Set point that defines the first axis of the plane

```
vgl.planeSource.create()
```

Create a plane geometry given input parameters

#### Returns

**Return type** null

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## 2.1.25 vgl.pointSource (class)

```
class vgl.pointSource()
```

Create a new instance of class pointSource

#### Returns

**rtype** vgl.pointSource

```
vgl.pointSource.setPositions(positions)
```

#### Arguments

- **positions** –

Set positions for the source

```
vgl.pointSource.setColors(colors)
```

#### Arguments

- **colors** –

Set colors for the points

```
vgl.pointSource.setTextureCoordinates(texcoords)
```

#### Arguments

- **texcoords** –

Set texture coordinates for the points

```
vgl.pointSource.create()
```

Create a point geometry given input parameters

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## 2.1.26 vgl.primitive (class)

**class** `vgl.primitive()`

Create a new instance of class primitive

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.primitive`

`vgl.primitive.indices()`

Get indices of the primitive

**Returns**

**Return type** `null`

`vgl.primitive.createIndices(type)`

**Arguments**

- **type** –

Create indices array for the primitive

`vgl.primitive.numberOfIndices()`

Return the number of indices

`vgl.primitive.sizeInBytes()`

Return size of indices in bytes

`vgl.primitive.setPrimitiveType(type)`

**Arguments**

- **type** –

Set primitive type

`vgl.primitive.indicesPerPrimitive()`

Return count of indices that form a primitives

`vgl.primitive.setIndicesPerPrimitive(count)`

**Arguments**

- **count** –

Set count of indices that form a primitive

`vgl.primitive.indicesValueType()`

Return indices value type

`vgl.primitive.setIndicesValueType(type)`

**Arguments**

- **type** –

Set indices value type

`vgl.primitive.setIndices(indicesArray)`

**Arguments**

- **indicesArray** –

Set indices from a array

## 2.1.27 vgl.pvwInteractorStyle (class)

vgl.pvwInteractorStyle

**class** vgl.**pvwInteractorStyle** ()

Create a new instance of pvwInteractorStyle (for ParaViewWeb)

### Returns

**rtype** vgl.pvwInteractorStyle

vgl.pvwInteractorStyle.**handleMouseMove** (*event*)

### Arguments

- **event** –

Handle mouse move event

### Returns

**Return type** boolean

vgl.pvwInteractorStyle.**handleMouseDown** (*event*)

### Arguments

- **event** –

Handle mouse down event

### Returns

**Return type** boolean

vgl.pvwInteractorStyle.**handleMouseUp** (*event*)

### Arguments

- **event** –

Handle mouse up event

### Returns

**Return type** boolean

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## 2.1.28 vgl.renderWindow (class)

**class** vgl.**renderWindow** (*canvas*)

Create a new instance of class renderWindow

### Arguments

- **canvas** –

### Returns

**rtype** vgl.renderWindow

vgl.renderWindow.**windowSize** ()

Get size of the render window

### Returns

**Return type** Array

`vgl.renderWindow.setSize(width, height)`

**Arguments**

- **width** –
- **height** –

Set size of the render window

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.windowPosition()`

Get window position (top left coordinates)

**Returns**

**Return type** Array

`vgl.renderWindow.setWindowPosition(x, y)`

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –

Set window position (top left coordinates)

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.renderers()`

Return all renderers contained in the render window

**Returns**

**Return type** Array

`vgl.renderWindow.activeRenderer()`

Get active renderer of the the render window

**Returns** `vgl.renderer`

`vgl.renderWindow.addRenderer(ren)`

**Arguments**

- **ren** –

Add renderer to the render window

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.removeRenderer(ren)`

**Arguments**

- **ren** –

Remove renderer from the render window

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.getRenderer(index)`

**Arguments**

- **index** –

Return a renderer at a given index

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.renderer`

`vgl.renderWindow.hasRenderer(ren)`

**Arguments**

- **ren** –

Check if the renderer exists

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.resize(width, height)`

**Arguments**

- **width** –
- **height** –

Resize window

`vgl.renderWindow.positionAndResize(x, y, width, height)`

**Arguments**

- **x** –
- **y** –
- **width** –
- **height** –

Resize and reposition the window

`vgl.renderWindow.createWindow()`

Create the window

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.renderWindow.deleteWindow()`

Delete this window and release any graphics resources

`vgl.renderWindow.render()`

Render the scene

`vgl.renderWindow.focusDisplayPoint()`

Get the focusDisplayPoint from the activeRenderer

**Returns**

**Return type** `vec4`

`vgl.renderWindow.displayToWorld(x, y, focusDisplayPoint)`

**Arguments**

- `x` (*Number*) –
- `y` (*Number*) –
- `focusDisplayPoint` (*vec4*) –

Transform a point in display space to world space

**Returns**

**Return type** `vec4`

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## 2.1.29 `vgl.shaderProgram` (class)

`class vgl.shaderProgram()`

Create a new instance of class `shaderProgram`

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.shaderProgram`

`vgl.shaderProgram.queryUniformLocation(name)`

**Arguments**

- `name` –

Query uniform location in the program

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

`vgl.shaderProgram.queryAttributeLocation(name)`

**Arguments**

- `name` –

Query attribute location in the program

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

`vgl.shaderProgram.addShader(shader)`

**Arguments**

- `shader` –

Add a new shader to the program

**Returns**

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.shaderProgram.addUniform(uniform)`

**Arguments**

- **uniform** –

Add a new uniform to the program

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

```
vgl.shaderProgram.addVertexAttribute (attr, key)
```

**Arguments**

- **attr** –
- **key** –

Add a new vertex attribute to the program

```
vgl.shaderProgram.uniformLocation (name)
```

**Arguments**

- **name** –

Get uniform location

This method does not perform any query into the program but relies on the fact that it depends on a call to `queryUniformLocation` earlier.

**Returns**

**Return type** number

```
vgl.shaderProgram.attributeLocation (name)
```

**Arguments**

- **name** –

Get attribute location

This method does not perform any query into the program but relies on the fact that it depends on a call to `queryUniformLocation` earlier.

**Returns**

**Return type** number

```
vgl.shaderProgram.uniform (name)
```

**Arguments**

- **name** –

Get uniform object using name as the key

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

```
vgl.shaderProgram.updateUniforms ()
```

Update all uniforms

This method should be used directly unless required

`vgl.shaderProgram.link()`  
Link shader program

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.shaderProgram.use()`  
Use the shader program

`vgl.shaderProgram.cleanUp()`  
Perform any clean up required when the program gets deleted

`vgl.shaderProgram.deleteProgram()`  
Delete the shader program

`vgl.shaderProgram.deleteVertexAndFragment()`  
Delete vertex and fragment shaders

`vgl.shaderProgram.bind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Bind the program with its shaders

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.shaderProgram.undoBind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Undo binding of the shader program

`vgl.shaderProgram.bindVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –
- **key** –

Bind vertex data

`vgl.shaderProgram.undoBindVertexData(renderState, key)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –
- **key** –

Undo bind vertex data

`vgl.shaderProgram.bindUniforms()`  
Bind uniforms

`vgl.shaderProgram.bindAttributes()`  
Bind vertex attributes

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### 2.1.30 vgl.shapefileReader (class)

**class** `vgl.shapefileReader()`

Create a new instance of shapefile reader

This contains code that reads a shapefile and produces vgl geometries

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.shapefileReader`

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### 2.1.31 vgl.sourceData (class)

**class** `vgl.sourceData()`

Create a new instance of class sourceData

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.sourceData`

`vgl.sourceData.data()`

Return raw data for this source

**Returns**

**Return type** `Array`

`vgl.sourceData.addAttribute(key, dataType, sizeOfDataType, offset, stride, noOfComponents, normalized)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –
- **dataType** –
- **sizeOfDataType** –
- **offset** –
- **stride** –
- **noOfComponents** –
- **normalized** –

Add new attribute data to the source

`vgl.sourceData.sizeOfArray()`

Return size of the source data

`vgl.sourceData.lengthOfArray()`

Return length of array

`vgl.sourceData.sizeInBytes()`

Return size of the source data in bytes

`vgl.sourceData.hasKey(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Check if there is attribute exists of a given key type

`vgl.sourceData.keys()`  
Return keys of all attributes

`vgl.sourceData.numberOfAttributes()`  
Return number of attributes of source data

`vgl.sourceData.attributeNumberOfComponents(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return number of components of the attribute data

`vgl.sourceData.normalized(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return if the attribute data is normalized

`vgl.sourceData.sizeOfAttributeDataType(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return size of the attribute data type

`vgl.sourceData.attributeDataType(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return attribute data type

`vgl.sourceData.attributeOffset(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return attribute offset

`vgl.sourceData.attributeStride(key)`

**Arguments**

- **key** –

Return attribute stride

`vgl.sourceData.pushBack(vertexData)`

**Arguments**

- **vertexData** –

Virtual function to insert new vertex data at the end

`vgl.sourceData.insert(data)`

**Arguments**

- **data** –

Insert new data block to the raw data

### 2.1.32 vgl.sourceDataSf (class)

**class** `vgl.sourceDataSf()`

Create a new instance of class `sourceDataSf` meant to hold scalar float values

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.sourceDataSf`

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### 2.1.33 vgl.texture (class)

**class** `vgl.texture()`

Create a new instance of class `texture`

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.texture`

`vgl.texture.setup(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Create texture, update parameters, and bind data

`vgl.texture.bind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Create texture and if already created use it

`vgl.texture.undoBind(renderState)`

**Arguments**

- **renderState** –

Turn off the use of this texture

`vgl.texture.image()`

Get image used by the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** `vgl.image`

`vgl.texture.setImage(image)`

**Arguments**

- **image** (`vgl.image`) –

Set image for the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** `boolean`

`vgl.texture.textureUnit()`

Get texture unit of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** number

`vgl.texture.setTextureUnit (unit)`

**Arguments**

- **unit** (*number*) –

Set texture unit of the texture. Default is 0.

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.width ()`

Get width of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

`vgl.texture.setWidth (width)`

**Arguments**

- **width** (*number*) –

Set width of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.depth ()`

Get depth of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** number

`vgl.texture.setDepth (depth)`

**Arguments**

- **depth** (*number*) –

Set depth of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.textureHandle ()`

Get the texture handle (id) of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type**

- 

`vgl.texture.internalFormat ()`

Get internal format of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type**

•

`vgl.texture.setInternalFormat` (*internalFormat*)

**Arguments**

- **internalFormat** –

Set internal format of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.pixelFormat` ()

Get pixel format of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type**

•

`vgl.texture.setPixelFormat` (*pixelFormat*)

**Arguments**

- **pixelFormat** –

Set pixel format of the texture

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.pixelDataType` ()

Get pixel data type

**Returns**

**Return type**

•

`vgl.texture.setPixelDataType` (*pixelDataType*)

**Arguments**

- **pixelDataType** –

Set pixel data type

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

`vgl.texture.computeInternalFormatUsingImage` ()

Compute internal format of the texture

`vgl.texture.updateDimensions` ()

Update texture dimensions

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### 2.1.34 vgl.trackballInteractorStyle (class)

vgl.trackballInteractorStyle

**class** vgl.**trackballInteractorStyle** ()

Create a new instance of trackballInteractorStyle

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.trackballInteractorStyle

vgl.trackballInteractorStyle.**handleMouseMove** (*event*)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse move event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

vgl.trackballInteractorStyle.**handleMouseDown** (*event*)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse down event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

vgl.trackballInteractorStyle.**handleMouseUp** (*event*)

**Arguments**

- **event** –

Handle mouse up event

**Returns**

**Return type** boolean

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### 2.1.35 vgl.vertexDataP3N3f (class)

**class** vgl.**vertexDataP3N3f** ()

Create a new instance of class vertexDataP3N3f

**Returns**

**rtype** vgl.vertexDataP3N3f

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### 2.1.36 vgl.vertexDataP3T3f (class)

**class** `vgl.vertexDataP3T3f()`

Create a new instance of class `vertexDataP3T3f`

**Returns**

**rtype** `vgl.vertexDataP3T3f`

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