

# Augmented Reality making AR happen with A-Frame

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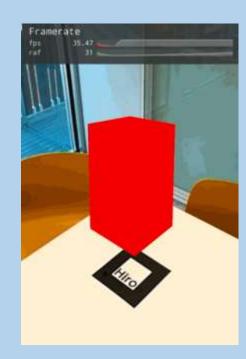






## Agenda

- first AR webapp in less than 10mn using ARjs
  - Library import,
  - Initialize the scene,
  - Shape,
  - Marker
- Animation
- Model Loading
- Multiple markers



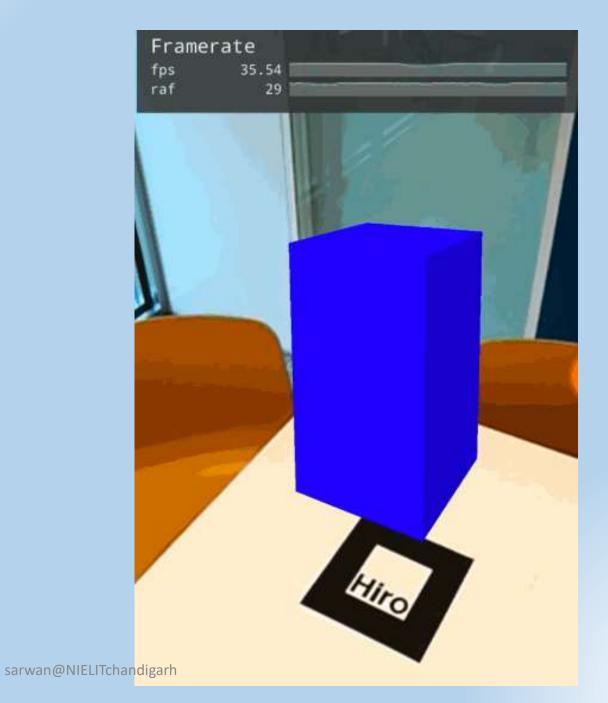






## first AR example

- Library import
- Initialize the scene
- Shape
- Marker





## Import Library

import A-Frame library

<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.6.1/aframe.min.js"></script>

• import ARjs, the web-framework for augmented reality

<script src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/jeromeetienne/AR.js/1.5.0/aframe
/build/aframe-ar.js"> </script>



#### Initialize the scene

 A-Frame works using a scene that contains the elements the user wants to display. To create a new scene <a-scene> tag is used

```
<a-scene stats embedded arjs='trackingMethod: best; debugUIEnabled: false'> <!-- All our components goes here --> </a-scene>
```

- stats: it displays stats about your application performance.
- arjs: some basic ARjs configuration.
  - trackingMethod is the type of camera tracking you use, here we have chosen which is an auto configuration that will be great for our example.
  - debugUIEnabled is set at false in order to remove debugging tools from the camera view.



## Shape

- A-frame is built around a generic component <a-entity> tag
- <a-box> has a lot of attributes :

```
<a-box position="0 0 0" rotation="0 0 0"></a-box>
```

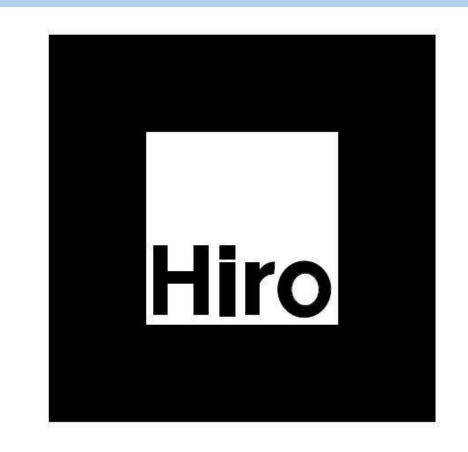
- position: the three coordinates that will be used to position our components
- rotation: that color of the shape



### Marker

- use a Hiro marker to start
- It is a special kind of marker designed for augmented reality

 It is possible to have custom marker.

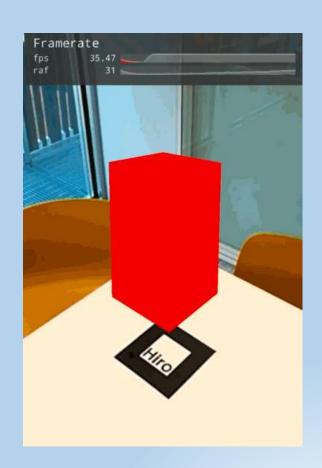


```
<html>
<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.6.1/aframe.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://rawgit.com/donmccurdy/aframe-extras/master</pre>
/dist/aframe-extras.loaders.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/jeromeetienne/AR.js</pre>
/1.5.0/aframe/build/aframe-ar.js"> </script>
<body style='margin : 0px; overflow: hidden;'>
<a-scene stats embedded arjs='trackingMethod: best;'>
 <a-marker preset="hiro">
     <a-box position='0 1 0' material='color: blue;'> </a-box>
 </a-marker>
 <a-entity camera></a-entity>
</a-scene>
</body>
</html>
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```



#### Animation

- A-frame contains a component <a-animation>
  that has been designed to animate an entity.
- Has attributes of our entity such as position, rotation, scale or even color.
  - dur: duration of the animation
  - from : start position or state of the animation
  - to : end position or state of the animation
  - repeat: if and how the animation should be repeated





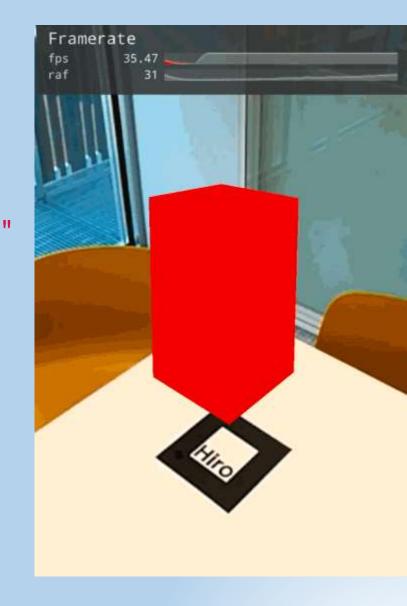
<a-animation
attribute="rotation"
dur="2000"
from="0 0 0"
to="360 0 0"
repeat="indefinite">

</a-animation>

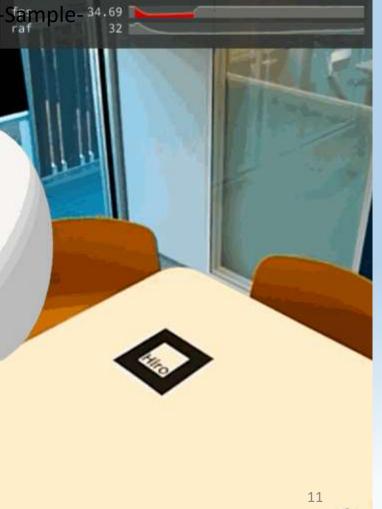
<a-animation

attribute="position"
dur="1000"
from="1 0 0"
to="0 0 1">

</a-animation>



```
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script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.6.1/aframe.min.js"></script>
 <script src="https://rawgit.com/donmccurdy/aframe-extras/master/dist/aframe-extras.loaders.min.js"></script>
 <script src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/jeromeetienne/AR.js/1.5.0/aframe/build/aframe-ar.js"> </script>
  <body style='margin : Opx; overflow: hidden;'>
   <a-scene stats embedded arjs='trackingMethod: best; debugUIEnabled: false'>
   <a-assets>
                                                                               Framerate
    <a-asset-item id="avocado" src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/KhronosGroup/glTF
 Models/9176d098/1.0/Avocado/glTF/Avocado.gltf"></a-asset-item>
   </a-assets>
          <a-marker preset="hiro">
    <a-entity>
     <a-animation attribute="rotation"
                                          dur="2000"
                                                           easing="linear"
                                          repeat="indefinite"></a-animation>
      from="0 0 0"
                        to="0 360 0"
      <a-entity rotation="0 0 25">
       <a-sphere position="2 0 2"></a-sphere>
      </a-entity>
    </a-entity>
          </a-marker>
          <a-entity camera></a-entity>
   </a-scene>
  </body>
 </html>
```





## Model loading

load a 3D model inside ARjs and project it on a marker

```
<a-assets>
<a-asset-item id="smiley" src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/KhronosGroup/gITF-Sample-Models/9176d098/
1.0/SmilingFace/gITF/SmilingFace.gltf"></a-asset-item>
</a-assets>

<a-entity gltf-model="#smiley" rotation= "180 0 0"> </a-entity>
```



```
<html>
<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.6.1/aframe.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://rawgit.com/donmccurdy/aframe-</pre>
extras/master/dist/aframe-extras.loaders.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/jeromeetienne/AR.js/1.5.0/aframe</pre>
/build/aframe-ar.js"> </script>
 <body style='margin : 0px; overflow: hidden;'>
  <a-scene embedded arjs='trackingMethod: best;'>
  <a-assets>
   <a-asset-item id="smiley"
src="https://cdn.rawgit.com/KhronosGroup/glTF-Sample-
Models/9176d098/1.0/SmilingFace/glTF/SmilingFace.gltf"></a-asset-item>
  </a-assets>
        <a-marker preset="hiro">
   <a-entity gltf-model="#smiley" rotation= "180 0 0">
   </a-entity>
        </a-marker>
        <a-entity camera></a-entity>
  </a-scene>
 </body>
</html>
```





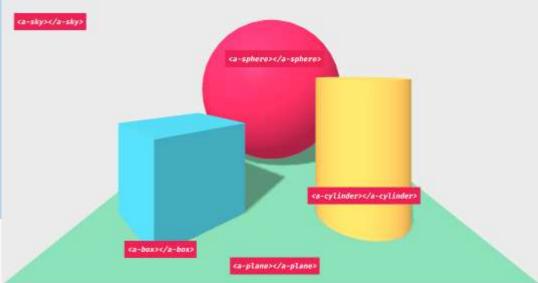
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## Multiple markers

```
<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.6.0/aframe.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://jeromeetienne.github.io/AR.js/aframe/build/aframe-ar.js">
</script>
<body style='margin : 0px; overflow: hidden;'>
   <a-scene embedded arjs='sourceType: webcam;'>
      <a-marker type='pattern' url='path/to/pattern-marker.patt'>
             <a-box position='0 0.5 0' material='color: red;'></a-box>
      </a-marker>
      <a-marker preset='hiro'>
             <a-box position='0 0.5 0' material='color: green;'></a-box>
      </a-marker>
      <a-marker type='barcode' value='5'>
              <a-box position='0 0.5 0' material='color: blue;'></a-box>
      </a-marker>
   <a-entity camera></a-entity>
   </a-scene>
```



#### First code



```
<html>
<head>
<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.9.2/aframe.min.js"></script>
</head>
<body>
 <a-scene>
   <a-box position="-1 0.5 -3" rotation="0 45 0" color="#4CC3D9"></a-box>
   <a-sphere position="0 1.25 -5" radius="1.25" color="#EF2D5E"></a-sphere>
   <a-cylinder position="1 0.75 -3" radius="0.5" height="1.5" color="#FFC65D"></a-cylinder>
   <a-plane position="0 0 -4" rotation="-90 0 0" width="4" height="4" color="#7BC8A4"></a-plane>
   <a-sky color="#ECECEC"></a-sky>
  </a-scene>
</body>
</html>
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```



## Understanding Code

- A-Frame is based on top of <u>HTML</u> and <u>the DOM</u> using a polyfill for Custom Elements.
- The HTML layer looks basic, HTML and the DOM are only the outermost abstraction layer of A-Frame.
- Underneath, A-Frame is an entity-component framework for three.js that is exposed declaratively.
- A-Frame provides a handful of elements such as <a-box> or <a-sky> called primitives that wrap the entity-component pattern to make it appealing for beginners.



#### <a-box> primitive

<a-box color="red" width="3"></a-box>

Representing this entity-component form

<a-entity geometry="primitive: box; width: 3" material="color: red"></a-entity>



```
<html>
<head>
<script src="https://aframe.io/releases/0.9.2/aframe.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://unpkg.com/aframe-physics-system@1.4.0/dist/aframe-physics-system.min.js"></script>
</head>
<body>
<a-scene physics>
<a-box position="-1 4 -3" rotation="0 45 0" color="#4CC3D9" dynamic-body></a-box>
<a-plane position="0 0 -4" rotation="-90 0 0" width="4" height="4" color="#7BC8A4" static-body></a-plane>
<a-sky color="#ECECEC"></a-sky>
</a-scene>
</body>
</html>
```

Source: https://github.com/donmccurdy/aframe-physics-system