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Introduction

Runtime Handles Basics is a set of scripts, which will help you to implement runtime scene/level editor. Package divided into several parts, could be used together or independently: RTHandles, RTGizmos, RTSaveLoad, UIControls.



Fig.1 - Runtime Editor

Features

- Positon, Rotation, Scale handles, Grid, Box Selection, Scene gizmo
- Global & Local coordinates, Local & Center pivot point modes,
- Scene view navigation;
- Snapping (Grid, Ground, Unit, BoundingBox)
- Orthographic & Perspective view;
- Play & Edit mode;
- Undo & Redo;

Package Structure

Transform Handles in Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles,
Save & Load subsystem in Assets/Battlehub/SaveLoad,
TreeView and ListBox in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls,
Common classes located in Asset/Battlehub/RTCommon,
Helper classes in Assets/Battlehub/Utils,
Demo scene in Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Demo

Each folder organized as following:

/Scripts – for runtime scripts

/Scripts/Editor for editor scripts

/Prefabs for prefabs

/Shader/Resources for shaders

/Demo (if present) contains everything related to demoscene

1. Menu

1.1 Runtime Save&Load Menu

Runtime Save&Load menu allows you to configure Save&Load subsystem. There are following menu items:

- 1) Build Resource Map creates or updates mapping between objects (prefabs, resources, special scene objects) and unique identifiers. These identifiers are required to make Save&Load subsystem work correctly. Project's Resource map is saved to Battlehub_ResourceMap prefab located in RTSaveLoad /ResourceMaps/Resources/ folder. Create Resource Map menu item also creates or updates resource maps for each asset bundle in project. Resource maps for asset bundles saved outside of Resources folder. Name of resource map for asset bundle have following format:
 - **ResourceMap_<bur>bundle name>_<guid>** where <bur>bundle name> is name of asset bundle and <guid> is string representation of arbitrary System.Guid
- Build Type Model will precompile TypeModel wich will be used for serialization at runtime. Result of execution of this command will be located in Assets/Battlehub/Deps/RTTypeModel.dll

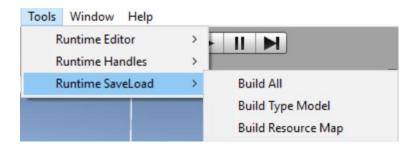


Fig.1.2 Runtime Save&Load menu

3) **Build All** will build ResourceMap first, then it will build TypeModel

1.2 Runtime Transform Handles Menu

There are three menu items and one submenu:

- 1. **Create** menu item creates simple selection controller, box selection component and 3 handles (positon, rotation, scale)
- 2. Enable Editing makes game object or prefab visible to selection controller
- 3. Disable Editing makes game object or invisible to selection controller
- 4. **Demo->Create Editor** creates demo editor
- 5. Demo->Expose Prefab makes prefab visible to demo editor
- 6. Demo->Hide Prefab makes prefab invisible to demo editor

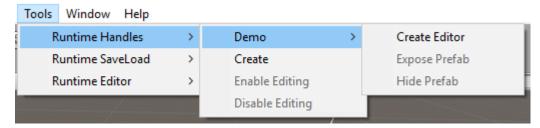


Fig.1.2 Runtime Handles menu

2. Transform Handles

There are three transform handles included in this package: Position, Rotation and Scale. They behaves almost identical to their equivalents in unity editor. Transform Handles, Scene Gizmo, Grid, rendering classes and all required shaders can be found in **Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles folder**.

Position Handle, Rotation Handle and Scale Handle scripts allows you to choose Raycasting Camera, Selection Margin (in screen space coordinates), Target objects, Grid Size, and key which will switch position gizmo to "Snapping mode"

Scene Gizmo script let you to choose Scene Camera, Pivot Point (to rotate Scene Camera around), size of Gizmo.

Scene Gizmo could raise following events:

- Orientation Changing;
- Orientation Changed;
- Projection Changed;

Note: Scene gizmo always aligned to the top right corner of the screen

2.1 Getting Started With Transform Handles

1. Click Tools->Runtime Handles->Create menu item



Fig.2.1 Create RuntimeTransform handles

2. Create several GameObjects and select them

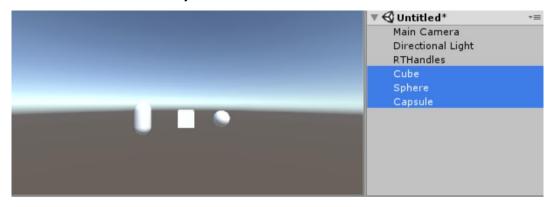


Fig.2.2 Several GameObjects selected

3. Click Tools->Runtime Handles->Enable Editing menu item

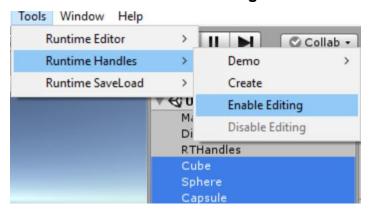


Fig.2.3 Enable objects editing

4. Press Play

You will be able to select objects using box selection, or by clicking them using left mouse button, or multiselect them by clicking LMB while holding Shift or Ctrl.

You could switch between postion, rotation and scale handles using Q,W,E,R buttons, switch pivot point mode between center & local using Z button and switch pivot point rotation between local object space & world space using X button.

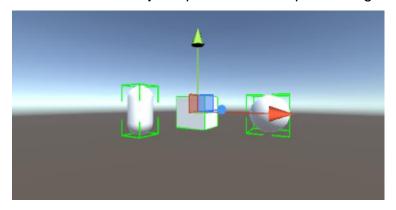


Fig.2.4 Runtime editing of object using position handle

2.2 Base Handle

Base handle is base class for Position, Rotation and Scale handles

All handles have following settings:

- Highlight On Hover highlight axes on mouse over;
- Enable Undo write records to RunitmeUndo;
- Unit Snap Key used to activate unity snapping mode (default Left CTRL)
- **Scene Camera** used for raycasting and rendering;
- Selection Margin area around each axis to make selection easier,
 measured in screen space;
- Targets objects affected by handle

2.3 Position Handle

The procedure of creation of position handle (like all other transform handles) is quite simple:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/PositionHandle.cs script to it.

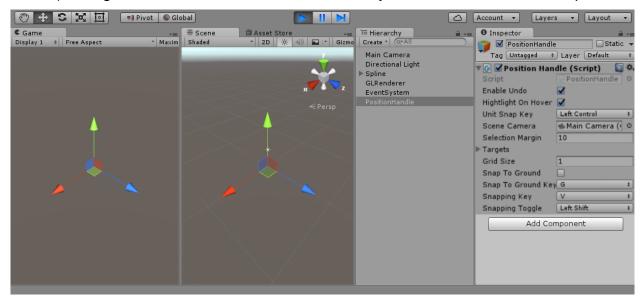


Fig.2.5 Runtime Position Handle

Position Handle has following settings:

- Enable Undo write records to RunitmeUndo;
- **Highlight On Hover** highlight axes on mouse over;
- Unit Snap Key key used to activate unit snapping mode;
- Scene Camera used for raycasting and rendering;
- Selection Margin size of area around each axis to make selection easier,
 measured in screen space;
- Targets objects affected by position handle
- Grid Size used in unit snapping mode;
- Snap To Ground snap target objects to ground if possible, activated using
 G button by default;
- **Spap To Ground Key –** key which is used to activate snap to ground mode
- Snapping Key key which is used to enable vertex snapping or bounding box snapping mode;
- Snapping Toggle hold this key and press "Snapping Key" to toggle between normal and snapping mode.

2.4 Rotation Handle

To use rotation handle do following:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- 2) Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/RotationHandle.cs script to it.

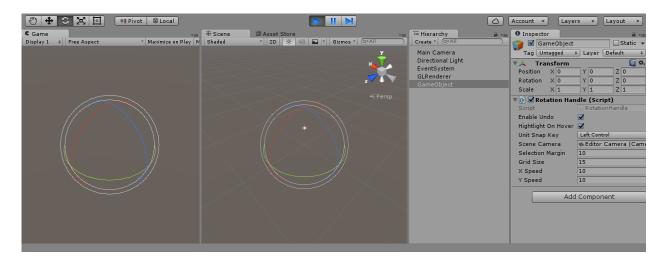


Fig.2.6 Runtime Rotation Handle

Rotation handle has following settings:

- Enable Undo write records to RunitmeUndo;
- **Highlight On Hover** highlight axes on mouse over;
- **Unit Snap Key** key used to activate unit snapping mode;
- Scene Camera used for raycasting and rendering;
- Selection Margin size of area around each axis to make selection easier,
 measured in screen space;
- Targets objects affected by rotation handle
- **Grid Size** used in unit snapping mode, measured in degrees;
- X Speed, Y Speed mouse sensitivity in free rotation mode;

2.5 Scale Handle

To use scale handle do following:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- 2) Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/ScaleHandle.cs script to it.

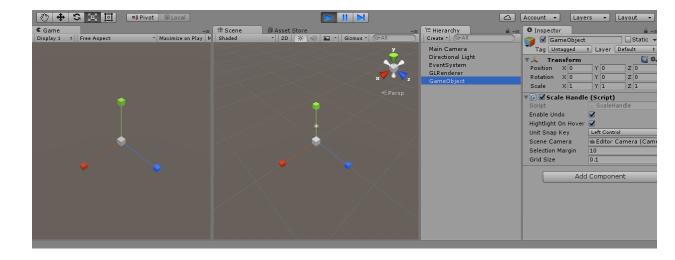


Fig.2.7 Runtime Scale Handle

Scale handle has following settings:

- **Enable Undo** write records to RunitmeUndo;
- Highlight On Hover highlight axes on mouse over;
- Unit Snap Key key used to activate unit snapping mode;
- **Scene Camera** used for raycasting and rendering;
- Selection Margin size of area around each axis to make selection easier,
 measured in screen space;
- Targets objects affected by scale handle
- Grid Size used in unit snapping mode, measured in fractions of initial scale, activated by LeftControl key;

2.6 Scene Gizmo

To use scale gizmo do following:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- 2) Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/SceneGizmo.cs script to it.

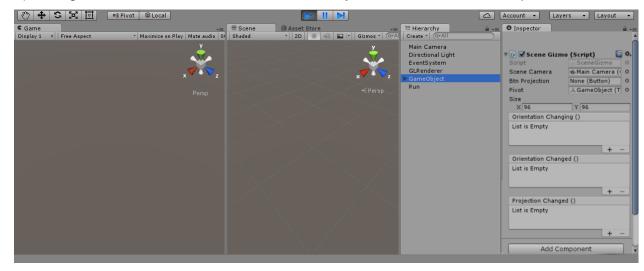


Fig.2.8 Runtime Scene Gizmo

Scene gizmo has following settings:

- Scene Camera camera modified by scene gizmo;
- BtnProjection optional reference to UGUI button used to switch between perspective and orthographic projections;
- Pivot pivot object transform to rotate SceneCamera around;
- Size size of scene gizmo
- Orientation Changing Event raised before Scene Gizmo rotation started
- Orientation Changed Event raised after Scene Gizmo rotation finished
- activated by LeftControl key;

2.7 Grid

To use grid do following:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- 2) Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts /Grid.cs script to it

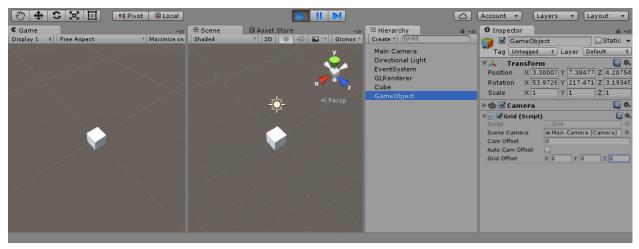


Fig.2.9 Runtime Grid

Grid has following settings:

- Scene Camera camera using for grid rendering
- Cam Offset control opacity of intermediate grid lines
- Auto Cam Offset opacity of intermediate lines is controlled autmatically
- Grid Offset grid transform component is controlled by Scene Camera. Use this property to control grid offset relative to camera

2.8 Lock Axes Script

There might be cases when you need to prevent certain axis from being modified by position, rotation and scale handles. To do this attach **LockAxes** script to game object and select axes you want to lock.

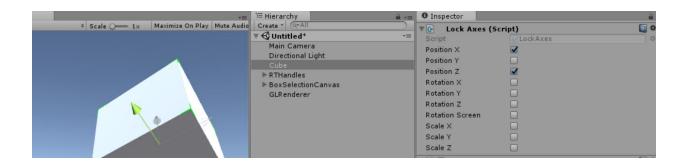


Fig 2.10 Position handle with locked x and z axes

2.9 Box Selection

To use BoxSelection do following:

- 1) Create Empty GameObject;
- Assign Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/BoxSelection.cs script to it

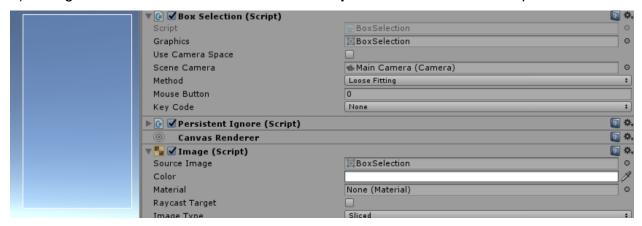


Fig 2.11 Box Selection

Grid has following settings:

- **Griphics** sprite used to render box selection
- Use Camera Space use camera space for rendering if selected, or screen space if unselected.
- Scene Camera used for raycasting and rendering;
- **Method** box selection method:
 - Loose Fitting use renderer bounds and collider
 - Bounds Center use bounds center
 - Transform Center use transform center
- Mouse Button 0 left, 1 right, 2 middle
- Key Code key to activate BoxSelection (none by default means that no key needs to be pressed to activate box selection)

To get objects selected by BoxSelection you have to use RuntimeSelection class.

See: How to get objects selected by BoxSelection example for more info

3. Handles Rendering

3.1 **IGL**

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/GLRenderer.cs

Implement this interface to make object available to GLRenderer

```
public interface IGL {
      void Draw();
}
```

3.2 GLRenderer

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/GLRenderer.cs

GLRenderer is a singleton used by GLCamera script to render all registered objects. Register object for rendering by calling public void Add(IGL g1) method. Cancel object rendering by calling public void Remove(IGL g1) method

Example usage:

```
private void OnEnable() {
    if (GLRenderer.Instance != null) {
        GLRenderer.Instance.Add(this);
    }
}

private void OnDisable(){
    if (GLRenderer.Instance != null) {
        GLRenderer.Instance.Remove(this);
    }
}
```

3.3 GLCamera

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/GLCamera.cs

Attach this script to any camera and GL graphics will be rendered with this camera

```
[ExecuteInEditMode]
public class GLCamera : MonoBehaviour
{
    private void OnPostRender()
    {
        if(GLRenderer.Instance != null)
        {
            GLRenderer.Instance.Draw();
        }
    }
}
```

3.4 RuntimeHandles

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/RuntimeHandles.cs

This class contains rendering code and helper methods for all handles scene gizmo and grid.

Scale of position, rotation and scale handles:

```
public const float HandleScale = 1.0f;
```

Get Screen Scale factor for given world position and camera:

```
public static float GetScreenScale(Vector3 position, Camera camera)
```

Draw Position Handle with given world position, rotation and selected axis. Use snapMode to render position handle in SnapMode. Use lock object to change rendering of locked axes.

Draw Rotation Handle with given world position, rotation and selected axis.

Draw Scale Handle with given world position, rotation, scale and selected axis:

Draw Scene Gizmo with given world position, rotation. Selection specified using Vector3 selection arg, where Vector3.zero means "not selected". xAlpha, yAlpha and zApha args are used to fade in and fade out corresponding axes. gizmoScale = 1 is used to render Scene Gizmo in 96x96 rectangle:

```
public static void DoSceneGizmo(Vector3 pos, Quaternion rot, Vector3 selection,
    float gizmoScale,
    float xAlpha = 1.0f,
    float yAlpha = 1.0f,
    float zAlpha = 1.0f)
```

Get far plane for grid rendering camera:

```
public static float GetGridFarPlane()
```

Draw Grid using grid offset relative to rendering camera and cam vertical offset to control intermediate lines opacity:

```
public static void DrawGrid(Vector3 gridOffset, float camOffset = 0.0f)
```

4. Common Infrastructure

4.1 ExposeToEditor

Located in Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/Infrastructure/ExposeToEditor.cs.

Attach this script to any GameObject you want to make it available for runtime editing.

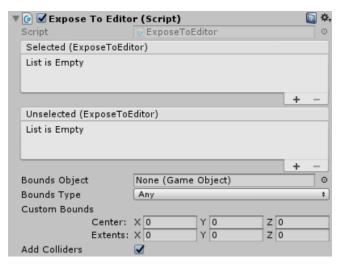


Fig.5.1 ExposeToEditor script

UnityEvents:

- Selected Event
 — raised when object with ExposeToEditor added to RuntimeSelection
- Unselected Event
 – raised when object with ExposeToEditor removed from RuntimeSelection

Delegates:

Events:

 Raised when any of corresponding mono-behavor events occurred. See https://docs.unity3d.com/Manual/ExecutionOrder.html for details

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Awaked;
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Started;
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Enabled;
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Disabled;
```

Raised before hierarchy items and colliders destroyed

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Destroying;
```

Raised after hierarchy items and colliders destroyed

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent Destroyed;
```

Raised when object marked as destroyed by undo&redo subsystem

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent MarkAsDestroyedChanged;
```

GameObject's name changed

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent NameChanged;
```

position, rotation or localScale changed

```
public static event ExposeToEditorEvent TransformChanged;
```

ExposeToEditor Parent property changed

```
public static event ExposeToEditorChangeEvent<ExposeToEditor> ParentChanged;
```

Fields & Properties:

- AddColliders add extra colliders to enable selection.
- Bounds Object which GameObject will be used to draw SelectionGizmo
- Bounds Type
 - Mesh MeshFilter.mesh.bounds will be used to draw SelectionGizmo
 - SkinnedMesh SkinnedMeshRenderer.sharedMesh.bounds will be used to draw SelectionGizmo
 - Custom user defined bounds
 - o Any any of the above
- Custom Bounds used if BoundsType == Custom

4.1.1 Expose To Editor Usage Example

```
private void Awake()
{
    ExposeToEditor.Started += OnObjectStarted;
}
private void OnDestroy()
{
    ExposeToEditor.Started -= OnObjectStarted;
}
private void OnObjectStarted(ExposeToEditor obj)
{
    //implement your handler
}
```

4.2 Hierarchyltem

Located in Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/Hierarchyltem.cs

This class is used to create links between ExposeToEditor objects in hierarchy. Suppose you have two objects exposed to editor. One of them is grandparent of another. Object between them will be Hierarchyltem. Hierarchyltem will track all hierarchy changes between ExposeToEditor objects. Hierarchyltems are created automatically. You don't have to assign them to GameObjects.

4.3 RuntimeSelection

Located in Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/RuntimeSelection.cs

This static class is limted equivalent of UnityEditor. Selection class

Delegates:

```
public delegate void RuntimeSelectionChanged(Object[] unselectedObjects);
Events:
```

public static event RuntimeSelectionChanged SelectionChanged;

Properties:

- Gets selected GameObject

```
public static GameObject activeGameObject { get; }
```

- Gets or sets selected Object

```
public static Object activeObject { get; set;}
```

- Gets or sets selected Objects

```
public static Object[] objects { get; set;}
```

- Gets selected GameObjects

```
public static GameObject[] gameObjects { get; }
```

- Gets Transform of selected GameObject

```
public static Transform activeTransform { get; }
```

4.3.1 Runtime Selection Usage Example

```
private void Awake()
{
    RuntimeSelection.SelectionChanged += OnSelectionChanged;
}
private void OnDestroy()
{
    RuntimeSelection.SelectionChanged -= OnSelectionChanged;
}
private void OnSelectionChanged(Object[] unselectedObjects)
{
    Object[] selectedObjects = RuntimeSelection.objects;
}
```

4.4 RuntimeSelectionComponent

Located in RuntimeHandles/Scripts/RuntimeSelectionComponent.cs

Add gameObject with this script to scene to enable box selection and selection using raycasting functionality.

4.5 RuntimeTool, PivotRotation, PivotMode

Located in Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/Infrastructire/RuntimeTools.cs

These enumerations defined as following:

```
public enum RuntimeTool
{
   None,
   Move,
   Rotate,
   Scale,
   View,
}

public enum RuntimePivotRotation
{
   Local,
   Global
}

public enum RuntimePivotMode
{
   Center = 0,
   Pivot = 1
}
```

4.6 RuntimeTools

Located in Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/RuntimeTools.cs

This static class is used to get or set following:

- Current Tool (CurrentTool);
- Currently Active Tool (ActiveTool reference to actively manipulated object);
- Pivot Rotation the rotation of coordinate system in which position, rotation and scale handles will be rendered (local or global);
- Pivot Mode could be either Center or Pivot. If pivot selected then objects will be rotated and scaled around individual centers. If center is selected then rotation and scale handles will rotate and scale objects around common center;
- Snapping mode which could be either BoundingBox or Vertex;
- ToolChanged, PivotRotationChanged, PivotMode changed events;

- Whether alt and RMB pressed and scene view is in mouse orbiting mode (IsViewing);
- Show or hide Selection Gizmos (ShowSelectionGizmos)
- Show or hide Gizmos (ShowGizmos);
- Is auto-focus mode enabled (AutoFocus);
- Is unit snapping mode enabled (UnitSnapping);

Almost each property has corresponding change event.

```
public static class RuntimeTools
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent ToolChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent PivotRotationChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent PivotModeChanged;
      public static event SpawnPrefabChanged SpawnPrefabChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent IsViewingChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent ShowSelectionGizmosChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent ShowGizmosChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent AutoFocusChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent UnitSnappingChanged;
      public static event RuntimeToolsEvent IsSnappingChanged;
       public static event RuntimeToolsEvent SnappingModeChanged;
      public static bool IsViewing {get; set;}
      public static bool IsSceneGizmoSelected {get; set;}
      public static bool ShowSelectionGizmos {get; set;}
      public static bool AutoFocus {get; set;}
      public static bool UnitSnapping {get; set;}
      public static SnappingMode SnappingMode { get; set; }
      public static GameObject SpawnPrefab {get; set;}
      public static Object ActiveTool { get; set; }
      public static RuntimeTool Current {get; set;}
      public static RuntimePivotRotation PivotRotation {get; set;}
      public static RuntimePivotMode PivotMode { get; set; }
      public static void Reset();
}
```

Reset Method should be used to perform cleanup and reset RuntimeTools to initial state.

4.7 RuntimeToolsComponent

Located in Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/RuntimeToolsComponent.cs

Add gameObject with this script to scene and switch transform handles using Q,W,E,R keys. Use Z and X keys to switch PivotMode and PivotPointRotation

```
Q – view tool;
W – position handle;
E – rotation handle;
R – scale handle;
```

4.8 RuntimeUndo

Located in Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/RuntimeUndo.cs

This static class is used to record changes, maintain undo/redo stack and perform undo and redo operations.

```
public static class RuntimeUndo
```

Events:

- Raised before undo operation

```
public static event RuntimeUndoEventHandler BeforeUndo;
```

- Raised after undo operation

```
public static event RuntimeUndoEventHandler UndoCompleted;
```

- Raised before redo operation

```
public static event RuntimeUndoEventHandler BeforeRedo;
```

- Raised after redo operation

```
public static event RuntimeUndoEventHandler RedoCompleted;
```

- Raised whenever one of the following operations performed: Store, Restore,

```
Purge
```

```
public static event RuntimeUndoEventHandler StateChanged;
```

Properties & Fields:

Maximum number of records in stack

```
public const int Limit = 8192;
```

Enables or disables Undo&Redo

```
public static bool Enabled { get; set; }
```

- True if can perform undo operation

```
public static bool CanUndo { get;}
```

- True if can perform redo operation

```
public static bool CanRedo { get;}
```

Methods:

Begin Record multiple changes

```
public static void BeginRecord();
```

- End Record multiple changes

```
public static void EndRecord();
```

- Register Create object operation:

```
public static void BeginRegisterCreateObject(GameObject g)
public static void RegisterCreatedObject(GameObject g)
```

- Register Destroy object operation:

```
public static void BeginDestroyObject(GameObject g)
public static void DestroyObject(GameObject g);
```

Note that object isn't actually destroyed. It only marked as destroyed. It will be destroyed during Purge operation.

- Record value of member of target object:

```
public static void RecordValue(object target, MemberInfo memberInfo)
```

- Record transform:

```
public static void RecordTransform(Transform target);
```

- Record selection:

```
public static void RecordSelection()
```

- Record object:

```
public static void RecordObject(object target, object state, ApplyCallback
applyCallback, PurgeCallback purgeCallback)
```

To use this method you have to implement apply and purge callback methods. See RecordTransform implementation for more details.

- Performs redo operation:

```
public static void Redo()
```

- Performs undo operation:

```
public static void Undo()
```

 Purge all records. Stack will be cleared, all "marked as destroyed" objects will be destroyed using Object. DestoryImmdiate

```
public static void Purge();
```

- Create new stack and store current undo&redo stack:

```
public static void Store()
```

Restore previouly stored stack:

```
public static void Restore()
```

4.9 RuntimeUndoComponent

Located in Battleuhb/RTCommon/Scripts/RuntimeUndoComponent.cs

Add gameObject with this script to scene to preform undo & redo operations using CTRL + Z, CTRL + Y keys. (or SHIFT + Z, SHIFT + Y inside of unity editor)

4.10 RuntimeEditorApplication

Located in Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/Infrastructure/RuntimeEditorApp.cs

This class represents several important parts of editor state.

Events:

- Raised before play mode state changed (IsPlaying property changed)
 public static event RuntimeEditorEvent PlaymodeStateChanging;
- Raised after play mode state changed (IsPlaying property changed)
 public static event RuntimeEditorEvent PlaymodeStateChanged;
- Raised when editor opened or closed (IsOpened property changed)
 public static event RuntimeEditorEvent IsOpenedChanged;
- Raised when active window changed (ActivateWindow method is called)
 public static event RuntimeEditorEvent ActiveWindowChanged;
- Raised when active scene camera changed (ActiveSceneCameraIndex property changed)

```
public static event RuntimeEditorEvent ActiveSceneCameraChanged;
```

Properties:

```
public static bool IsOpened {get; set; }
public static bool IsPlaying {get; set; }
public static RuntimeEditorWindow ActiveWindow {get;}
public static RuntimeWindowType ActiveWindowType { get; }
public static Camera ActiveSceneCamera { get; }
public static int ActiveSceneCameraIndex { get; set; }
```

4.11 MouseOrbit

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/MouseOrbit.cs.

Responsible for camera rotation around pivot.

Slightly modified version of this script.

4.12 RuntimeSceneView

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTHandles/Scripts/RuntimeSceneView.cs.

Responsible for scene view navigation

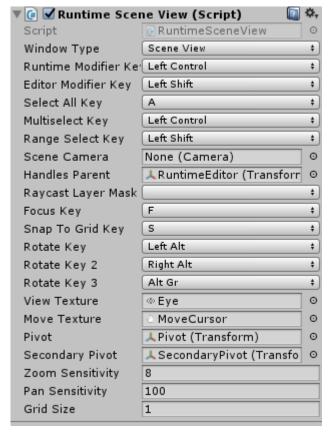


Fig.5.1 RuntimeSceneView script

Properties:

- Scene Camera (if none specified Camera.main will be used)
- Handles Parent defines where to spawn Postion, Rotation and Scale handles
- Pivot used by mouse oribit
- Secondary Pivot used to display grid and spawn objects
- Grid Size measured in world units
- ViewTexture displayed as cursor if scene view is in mouse orbiting state
- MoveTexture displayed as cursor if scene view is in panning state

Select All is performed by SHIFT (CTRL) + A

Focus performed by pressing F key

Snap to grid selected object by pressing S key;

Rotation by pressing Rotate Key (Rotate Key 2, Rotate Key 3) + LMB Pan by pressing RMB.

To Create SceneView create Empty GameObject and attach RuntimeSceneView script to it.

4.13 InputController

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts /InputController.cs.

This class is used to block input when InputField selected.

4.14 Game

Located in Assets/Battlehub/RTCommon/Scripts/Game.cs.

The main purpose of this class is to spawn copies of editor objects when entering play mode.

5. Runtime SaveLoad

5.1 Overview

Runtime SaveLoad subsystem **located in Assets/Battlehub/RTSaveLoad** folder. It is required to save and load scenes, resource and project data. RTSaveLoad folder structure is shown if Fig.8.1

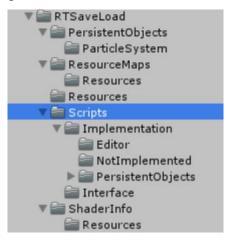


Fig.8.1 RTSaveLoad folders structure

- PersistentObjects autogenerated datacontracts for storing unity objects from UnityEngine and other Unity assemblies.
- ResourceMaps mappings between resources and unique identifiers. These mappings generated automatically using following menu item:

Tools->Runtime SaveLoad->Build Resource Map.

- Resources required by resource map generator to include build-in resources to ResourceMap
- ShaderInfo shaderinfo files containing list of shader properties (autogenerated by Tools->Runtime SaveLoad->Create Resource Map menu item)
- Scripts
 - Interface of save load subsystem;
 - Implementation of save load subsystem;

5.2 Dependencies

Located in /Battlehub/RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/Dependencies.cs. Main purpose of this class is to decouple different parts of Runtime SaveLoad subsystem from each other and from external users as well.

```
Serializer – class which is used for serialization / deserialization;
Storage – save load funtionality (FileSystem by default);
Project – used to save, load, modify ProjectItems;
BundleLoader – used to load asset bundles;
ProjectManager – high level project management;
SceneManager - create, save, load scenes;
ShaderUtil – provides access to shader info;
public static class Dependencies
       public static ISerializer Serializer
           get { return new Serializer(); }
        public static IStorage Storage
           get { return new FileSystemStorage(Application.persistentDataPath); }
        public static IProject Project
           get { return new Project(); }
        public static IAssetBundleLoader BundleLoader
           get { return new AssetBundleLoader(); }
       public static IProjectManager ProjectManager
           get { return Object.FindObjectOfType<ProjectManager>(); }
       public static ISceneManager SceneManager
           get { return Object.FindObjectOfType<RuntimeSceneManager>(); }
        }
       public static IRuntimeShaderUtil ShaderUtil
           get { return new RuntimeShaderUtil(); }
       }
}
```

5.3 Serializer

Located in /Battlehub/RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/ISerializer.cs. This interface contains 3 methods: Serialize, Deserialize and DeepClone

```
public interface ISerializer
{
    byte[] Serialize<TData>(TData data);
    TData Deserialize<TData>(byte[] data);
    TData DeepClone<TData>(TData data);
}
```

Implementation class is wrapper for <u>ProtobufSerializer</u>. Located in

/Battlehub/RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/Serializer.cs

5.4 Storage

Located in /Battlehub/RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/Storage.cs. IStorage interface contains several methods for saving, loading, renaming and deleting files. Each method has callback function as last argument. Example of usage:

FileSystemStorage is default implementation of IStorage interface.

5.5 ResourceMap

It is crucial to create and update resource map to make Runtime SaveLoad subsystem work correctly



Fig.8.2 Runtime SaveLoad menu

Create Resource Map menu item creates or updates mapping between objects (prefabs, resources, special scene objects) and unique identifiers. These identifiers are required to make Save&Load subsystem work correctly. Project's Resource map will be saved to Battlehub_ResourceMap.prefab located in Assets/Battlehub/RTSaveLoad /ResourceMaps/Resources/ folder. Create Resource Map menu item will also create or update resource maps for each asset bundle in project. Resource maps for asset bundles will be saved outside of Resources folder. Name of resource map for asset bundle has following format: ResourceMap_

bundle name>_<guid> where <bur>
suit representation of arbitrary System.Guid

Texture shown in Fig.8.3 will be included to resource map for "bundledemo" asset bundle during next resource map update.

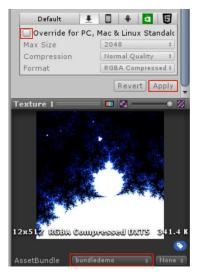


Fig.8.3 Texture added to AssetBundle

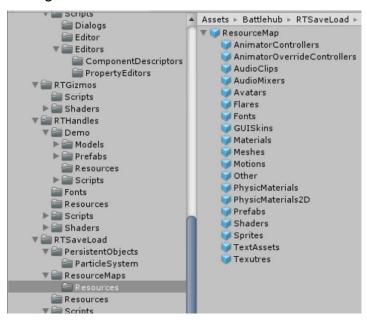


Fig.8.4 ResourceMap prefab

Each child of resource map has ResourceGroup script attached

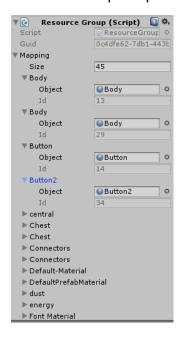


Fig.8.5 Materials Resource Group

Readonly Id field shows unique key for each object.

If for some reason resorce map will be lost, RTSaveLoad will be unable to read files created using this resource map.

5.6 IdentifiersMap

Located in Battlehub/RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/ResourceMap.cs

Identifiers map use ResourceMap to create mapping between identifiers obtained from objects using Object.GetInstanceID() method and persistent unque identifiers stored in ResourceMap. You may ask why these persistent unique identifiers required at all? The answer is simple: because Object.GetInstanceID will not return same identifier for same object each time you run your application. Identifiers will be different each time you run application and it will be impossible to load dependencies for saved objects during next application run.

```
Instance property will return instance of Identifiers map
public static IdentifiersMap Instance { get; set; }
```

GetMappedInstanceID will return unique persistent identifier for object public long GetMappedInstanceID(Object obj)

5.7 Runtime TypeModel

RTSaveLoad subsystem use <u>protobuf-net</u> for serialization and deserialization. Due to <u>unity scripting restrictions</u> protobuf runtime type model need to be precomplied before using at runtime. You need to build runtime type model each time you add custom serializable type to project. To do this click **Tools->RTSaveLoad->Build Type Model** menu item.



Fig. 8.6 Build Type Model menu item

When precompilation will be completed RTTypeModel.dll will be moved to Deps folder and will be used in runtime for serialization and deserialization.

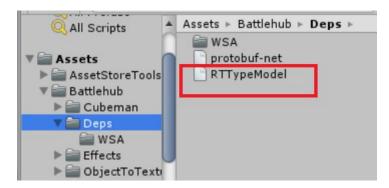


Fig. 8.7 RTTypeModel.dll

5.8 HowTo: Add Custom Type

```
[System.Serializable]
[ProtoBuf.ProtoContract(ImplicitFields = ProtoBuf.ImplicitFields.AllPublic)]
public class MyType
{
    public int Data;
}

public class MyPersistentBehavior : MonoBehaviour
{
    public MyType[] Data;
}
```

5.9 PersistentDescriptor

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/PersistentDescriptor.cs

Following data structure is used to describe objects and components hierarchy:

```
[Serializable]
public class PersistentDescriptor
{
    public long InstanceId;
    public string TypeName;
    public PersistentDescriptor Parent;
    public PersistentDescriptor[] Children;
    public PersistentDescriptor[] Components;
```

5.10 PersistentData

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/PersistentData.cs

This is base class for all persistent objects. Most of persistent objects located in PersistentObjects folder:

```
[Serializable]
public abstract partial class PersistentData
{

    public long InstanceId { get; }
    public virtual void ReadFrom(object obj)
    public virtual object WriteTo(object obj, Dictionary<long, UnityObject>
    objects /*needed to resolve references*/)

    public virtual void FindDependencies<T>(Dictionary<long, T> dependencies,
        Dictionary<long, T> objects, bool allowNulls);

    protected virtual void GetDependencies(Dictionary<long, UnityObject>
        dependencies, object obj)
}
```

In derived classes ReadFrom method read values from obj, WriteTo method write values to obj. FindDependencies method find dependencies from objects dictionary and populate dependencies dictionary. GetDependencies method retreives dependencies from obj and populate dependencies dictionary.

5.11 PersistentScene

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/PersistentScene.cs

Following data structure is used to store scene:

```
[Serializable]
public class PersistentScene
{
    /// <summary>
    // hierarchy stored in this array
    /// </summary>
    public PersistentDescriptor[] Descriptors;

    /// <summary>
    /// data for each game object and component stored in this array
    /// </summary>
    public PersistentData[] Data;

public static void InstantiateGameObjects(PersistentScene scene)

public static PersistentScene CreatePersistentScene(params Type[] ignoreTypes)
}
```

CreatePersistentScene creates PersistentScene object for current scene.

InstantiateGameObjects creates GameObjects using data stored in PersistentScene.

5.12 ISceneManager

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/IProjectManager.cs

```
Events:
 event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> SceneCreated;
 event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> SceneSaving;
 event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> SceneSaved;
 event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> SceneLoading;
 event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> SceneLoaded;
Active Scene ProjectItem:
 ProjectItem ActiveScene
 {
     get;
 }
Check if scene Exists:
 void Exists(ProjectItem scene, ProjectManagerCallback<bool> callback);
Save, Load, Create Scene:
 void SaveScene(ProjectItem scene, ProjectManagerCallback callback);
 void LoadScene(ProjectItem scene, ProjectManagerCallback callback);
 void CreateScene();
Example Usage:
m_sceneManager = Dependencies.SceneManager;
m sceneManager.LoadScene(m sceneManager.ActiveScene, () => {});
m_sceneManager.SaveScene(m_sceneManager.ActiveScene, () => {});
```

5.13 IProjectManager

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/IProjectManager.cs

Events:

```
event EventHandler ProjectLoading;
event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> ProjectLoaded;
event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> BundledResourcesAdded;
event EventHandler<ProjectManagerEventArgs> DynamicResourcesAdded;

Loaded Project:
ProjectItem Project
{
    get;
}
```

Returns false for Scene GameObjects and true for Resources and Prefabs: bool IsResource(UnityObject obj);

Get ID for Object. **ID** is just wrapper of persistent unique identifier. If you will need to create your own implementation of IProjectManager interface it allow you to use any type of persistent unique identifier (int, long, Guid):

```
ID GetID(UnityObject obj);
Load Project:
void LoadProject(ProjectManagerCallback<ProjectItem> callback);
```

Add resources to **folder** from asset bundle with **bundleName** using **filter** function to filter out objects which are not required:

```
void AddBundledResources(ProjectItem folder, string bundleName,
    Func<UnityObject, string, bool> filter,
    ProjectManagerCallback<ProjectItem[]> callback);
```

Add resource with assetName from asset bundle with bundleName to folder:

Add resource of type **T** with **assetName** from asset bundle with **bundleName** to **folder**:

Add resource with **assetName** of **assetType** from asset bundle with **bundleName** to **folder**:

Add resources with assetNames from asset bundle with bundleName to folder:

Add resources with **assetNames** of **assetTypes** from asset bundle with **bundleName** to **folder** using filter **function** to filter out objects which are not required:

Add dynamic resource (**obj** created in runtime) to **folder**:

Add dynamic resources (**objects** created in runtime) to **folder**:

Add dynamic resource (**obj** created in runtime) to **folder** using filter function to filter out objects which are not required and **includeDepenencies** if required:

Add dynamic resources (**objects** created in runtime) to **folder** using filter function to filter out objects which are not required and **includeDepenencies** if required:

Create Folder with **name** inside of **parent** folder:

```
void CreateFolder(string name, ProjectItem parent,
ProjectManagerCallback<ProjectItem> callback);
```

Save objects:

Get or create objects from **folder**:

Get or create objects from **folders**:

Duplicate **projectItems**:

Rename projectItems:

5.14 IAssetBundleLoader

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Interface/IAssetBundleLoader.cs

You may want to provide your own implementation of this interface. Currently there is following implementation:

5.15 Persistent Ignore

Located in /RTSaveLoad/Scripts/Implementation/Persistent Ignore.cs

Attach this script to object you want to be ignored by Save & Load system

6. UIControls

There are two major UI controls included in package: TreeView and ListBox;

These controls implements drag & drop, databinding, selection operations and events and are highly customizable. There are also two base clases ItemsControl and ItemContainer which can be used to implement your own items control.

6.1 ItemsControl

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ItemsControl.cs.

Base class for TreeView and ListBox

```
public class ItemsControl<TDataBindingArgs> : MonoBehaviour, IPointerDownHandler,
      IDropHandler where TDataBindingArgs : ItemDataBindingArgs, new()
       //Drag & Drop Events
        public event EventHandler<ItemDragArgs> ItemBeginDrag;
        public event EventHandler<ItemDropArgs> ItemDrop;
        public event EventHandler<ItemDragArgs> ItemEndDrag;
       //Raise when data for ItemContainer required
        public event EventHandler<TDataBindingArgs> ItemDataBinding;
       //Selection Changed
        public event EventHandler<SelectionChangedEventArgs> SelectionChanged;
       //Item Removed
        public event EventHandler<ItemsRemovedArgs> ItemsRemoved;
       //Key bindings
        public KeyCode MultiselectKey = KeyCode.LeftControl;
        public KeyCode RangeselectKey = KeyCode.LeftShift;
        public KeyCode RemoveKey = KeyCode.Delete;
       //Is Drag & Drop allowed
        public bool CanDrag = true;
       //GameObject with ItemsContainer script (or with ItemsContainer derived class)
        [SerializeField]
        private GameObject ItemContainerPrefab;
       //Layot Panel
        public Transform Panel;
       //Raycasting Camera (used if Canvas.RenderMode == RenderMode.WorldSpace)
        public Camera Camera;
       //Scroll Speed (when item dragged out of ScrollViewer content area)
        public float ScrollSpeed = 100;
       //Set of data items
        public IEnumerable Items { get; set; }
       //items count
        public int ItemsCount { get; }
```

```
//Selected Items count
public int SelectedItemsCount { get; }
//Set of selected items
public IEnumerable SelectedItems { get; set;}
//First Selected item
public object SelectedItem { get; set;}
//Index of first Selected item (-1 if no items selected)
public int SelectedIndex { get; set;}
//Get index of data item
public int IndexOf(object obj)
//Get Item Container for dataitem
public ItemContainer GetItemContainer(object obj)
//Get Item Container for last dataitem
public ItemContainer LastItemContainer()
//Get Item Container by index
public ItemContainer GetItemContainer(int siblingIndex)
//Add data item (if you have a collection of items use Items property instead)
public ItemContainer Add(object item)
//Insert data item (if you have a collection of items use Items property instead)
public ItemContainer Insert(int index, object item)
//Remove data item
public void Remove(object item)
//Remove data item by index
public void RemoveAt(int index)
```

6.2 ItemContainer

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ItemsContainer.cs

Base class for data item representation component (for TreeViewItem and for ListBoxItem).

```
public static event ItemEventHandler Drag;
public static event ItemEventHandler Drop;
public static event ItemEventHandler EndDrag;
//ItemContainer's LayoutElement
public LayoutElement LayoutElement { get; }
//ItemContainer's RectTransform
public RectTransform RectTransform { get; }
//Is Item Container selected
public virtual bool IsSelected { get; set; }
//Data Item bound to Item Container
public object Item { get; set; }
```

6.3 ItemDropMarker

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ItemDropMarker.cs

Item Drop Marker is used to highlight item drop location.

ItemDropMarker could be in one of the states specified by ItemDropAction enum.

```
public enum ItemDropAction
{
   None,
   SetLastChild,
   SetPrevSibling,
   SetNextSibling
}
```

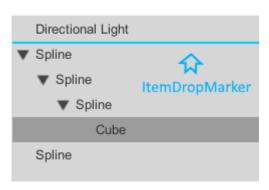


Fig.11 ItemDropMarker

6.4 ListBox

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ListBox.cs

Prefab Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/ListBox.prefab

See Assets/Battlehub/RTEditor/Scripts/RuntimePrefabs.cs for usage example.

ListBox has same funtionality as ItemsControl and defined as following:

```
public class ListBox : ItemsControl { }
```

ListBox supports multiselection, drag & drop and delete item's operation. But in prefabs panel all these functions disabled.

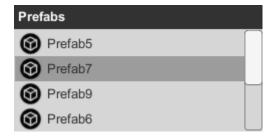


Fig.12 ListBox

6.5 ListBoxItem

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ListBoxItem.cs
Prefab Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/ ListBoxItem.prefab

ListBoxItem use Toggle to implement selected and unselected visual state

```
public override bool IsSelected
{
    get { return base.IsSelected; }
    set
    {
        if (base.IsSelected != value)
        {
            m_toggle.isOn = value;
            base.IsSelected = value;
        }
    }
}

protected override void AwakeOverride()
{
    m_toggle = GetComponent<Toggle>();
    m_toggle.interactable = false;
    m_toggle.isOn = IsSelected;
}
```

6.6 TreeView

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/TreeView.cs Prefab Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/TreeView.prefab

TreeView supports multiselection, drag & drop and delete item's operation

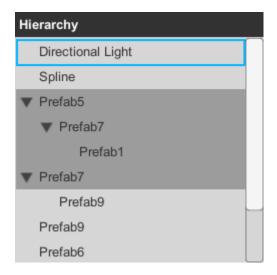


Fig.12 TreeView

```
public class TreeView : ItemsControl<TreeViewItemDataBindingArgs>
{
    //Raised when item is expanded
    public event EventHandler<ItemExpandingArgs> ItemExpanding;

    //Indent between treeview levels
    public int Indent = 20;

    //Add child data item to tree view
    public void AddChild(object parent, object item)

    //Change parent of item
    public void ChangeParent(object parent, object item)

    //Expand TreeViewItem
    public void Expand(TreeViewItem item)

    //Collapse TreeViewItem
    public void Collapse(TreeViewItem item)
```

6.7 TreeViewItem

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/TreeViewItem.cs Prefab Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/TreeViewItem.prefab

```
public class TreeViewItem : ItemContainer
   //Raised when item's parent changed
   public static event EventHandler<ParentChangedEventArgs> ParentChanged;
   //Accumulated indent
    public int Indent { get; }
    //Parent TreeViewItem
    public TreeViewItem Parent { get; set; }
    public override bool IsSelected { get; set; }
   //Whether tree view item can be expanded (if true expander arrow is visible)
    public bool CanExpand { get;set;}
   //Is tree view item expanded
    public bool IsExpanded { get; set; }
   //Whether tree view item has children
    public bool HasChildren { get; }
   //Is tree view item is descendant of other tree view item;
   public bool IsDescendantOf(TreeViewItem parent)
    //Returns first child if exists
    public TreeViewItem FirstChild()
    //Returns next child if exists
    public TreeViewItem NextChild(TreeViewItem currentChild)
    //Returns last child
    public TreeViewItem LastChild()
```

Limitations and Issues

There is lack of following important functions:

- Touch support;

Furthermore API (if can be called so) is completely different from API located in UnityEditor namespace.

Support

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