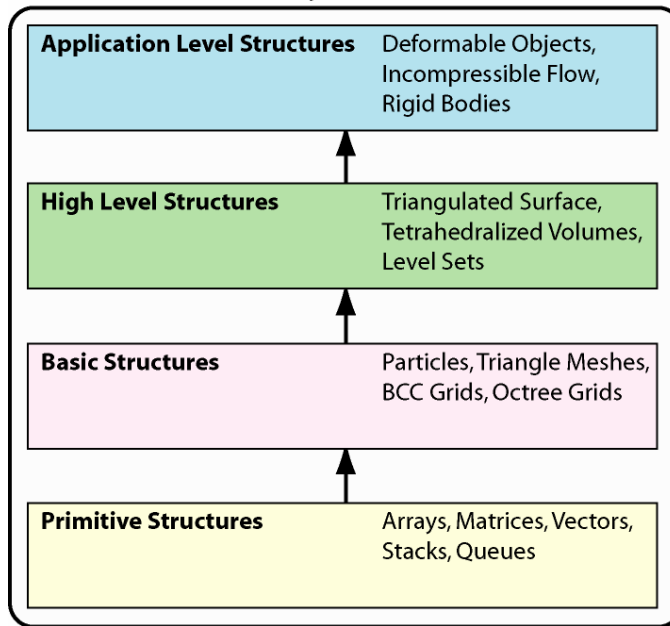


# PhysBAM Architecture

## 1. General ideas

- a. Use object oriented style to associate data, models and related methods
- b. Everything that has real numbers is templated at least on scalar values (often T)
- c. Containers templated for maximum reuse
- d. Use as efficient algorithm as possible
- e. Simpler data structures used to implement more complicated ones

### Public Library



### Projects

- solids - cloth, muscles, ...
- water
- fire
- rigid bodies
- fracture
- ...

## 2. Primitive Structures

- a. Many data structures based on Arrays (Public\_Library/Arrays)
  - i. Bounds Checked in debug mode with assert. Finds lots of bugs in algorithms
  - ii. Handles allocating and freeing memory automatically from heap
  - iii. Have lots of useful algorithms
    1. Sort, Heap, exchange, min, max, etc.
  - iv. Lots of variants for various purposes
    - a. ARRAYS\_1D, ARRAYS\_2D, ARRAYS\_3D
    - b. allow arbitrary start and end indices
    - c. used for fluids, images, anything needing boundary conditions
2. LIST\_ARRAY/LIST\_ARRAYS
  - a. Like vector in Java
  - b. Good for when you don't know the size
  - c. Usually want to pre-allocate larger block so frequent resizes not necessary
3. ARRAYS

- a. Has another dimension (length)
    - b. Used for specifying point indices for a list of triangles...length=3
  - b. Other useful data structures (most built using arrays) (Public\_Library/Data\_Structures)
    - i. Stacks and Queues
    - ii. Splay Trees
    - iii. Undirected/Directed Graphs
  - c. Vectors and Matrices (Public\_Library/Matrices\_And\_Vectors)
    - i. General versions
      - 1. Dense matrices MATRIX\_MXN, MATRIX\_NXN and vectors VECTOR\_ND
      - 2. Sparse matrices SPARSE\_MATRIX\_NXN and SPARSE\_VECTOR\_ND
    - ii. Specialized low dimensional versions
      - 1. matrices MATRIX\_2X2, MATRIX\_3X3, MATRIX\_4X4, SYMMETRIC\_MATRIX\_2X2, SYMMETRIC\_MATRIX\_3X3
      - 2. vectors VECTOR\_1D, VECTOR\_2D, VECTOR\_3D
- 3. Basic structures**
  - a. Particles (Public\_Library/Particles)
    - i. Set of points with other data
    - ii. Implemented as a set of PARTICLE\_ATTRIBUTES
      - 1. Contain arrays
      - 2. add attribute specific functionality (e.g. Euler step for position/velocity)
    - iii. PARTICLE base class templated on both scalar type and vector type.
    - iv. Derived classes include additional PARTICLE\_ATTRIBUTES. i.e. SOLIDS\_ATTRIBUTES contain position, velocity, mass. PARTICLE\_LEVELSET\_PARTICLES include position and radius.
  - b. Grids
    - i. Provide topology
    - ii. Map data to locations in space
    - iii. Separation of topology and spatial mapping from data allows for more flexibility and efficiency when swapping or manipulating data.
    - iv. Examples: TRIANGLE\_MESH, SEGMENT\_MESH, BCC\_GRID, OCTREE\_GRID, GRID\_3D.
- 4. High Level Structures**
  - a. These bring together different basic and primitive structures
  - b. Provide both an abstraction for the data as well as a interface to all the algorithms associated.
  - c. Examples
    - i. Triangulated\_Surface (Public\_Library/Geometry)

1. Uses particles to store spatial locations
2. Uses a triangle mesh to store connectivity
3. Provides routines for computing normals, intersecting with rays, etc.
- ii. Tetrahedralized\_Volume (Public\_Library/Geometry)
  1. Also uses particles and mesh
  2. Additionally contains a Triangulated\_Surface for boundary that uses some subset of volume's particles
- iii. Level Sets
  1. Uses grid to describe spatial domain and resolution
  2. Uses ARRAYS\_3D to store set of samples for implicit surface
  3. Provides routines e.g. for evolving level set, computing properties like normals, computing inside
- d. Reused on many applications

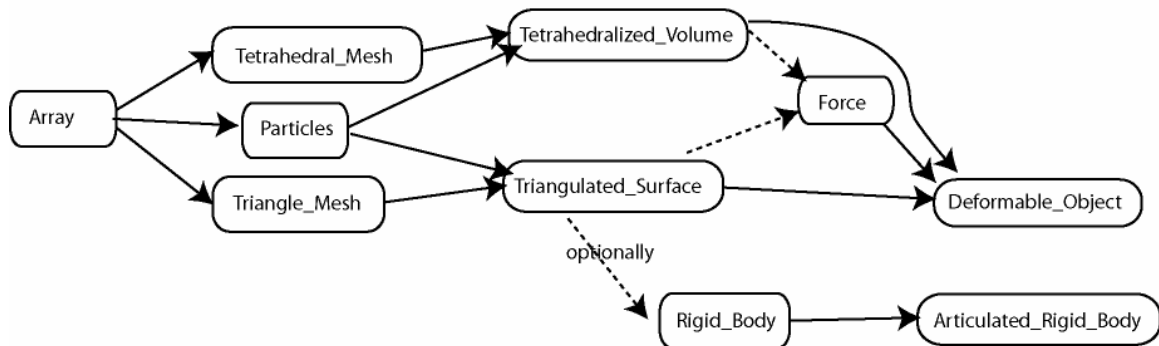
## 5. Application Level Structures

- a. Data Classes
  - i. Bring together all preceding structures to provide some application specific functionality.
  - ii. May be used by multiple projects but are rather specialized.
  - iii. Examples
    1. DEFORMABLE\_OBJECT
      - a. Has a TRIANGULATED\_SURFACE and/or a TETRAHEDRALIZED\_VOLUME
      - b. Has additional data on particles for velocities
      - c. Has an ARRAY of force objects that will be applied when advancing the body
    2. DEDFORMABLE OBJECT LIST
      - a. Contains a set of DEFORMABLE\_OBJECTS
      - b. Handles collisions using a joined TRIANGULATED\_SURFACE
    3. INCOMPRESSIBLE\_3D
      - a. Contains a velocity field as a GRID\_3D and ARRAYS\_3D
      - b. Contains a POISSON class to make a velocity field divergence free

Example containment relationships:

# Example Containment Hierarchy

Left objects contained by right most objects, dashed lines indicate reference



## b. Evolution Classes

- i. Contain multiple application data classes.
- ii. Handle advancing data in time. Uses functions defined on data classes
- iii. Can easily be swapped with different classes to vary the evolution techniques.
- iv. Examples
  1. PARTICLE\_LEVELSET\_EVOLUTION → Evolves PARTICLE\_LEVELSET
  2. RIGID\_BODY\_EVOLUTION → Evolves Rigid Bodies
  3. SOLIDS\_EVOLUTION → Evolves both rigid bodies and deformable bodies

## c. Drivers and Examples

- i. Drivers
  1. Handle steps required to get each frame of simulation
  2. Call Functions on evolution classes
- ii. Example
  1. Holds instances of
    - a. Evolution Classes
    - b. Data classes
    - c. Simulation Parameters
  2. Derived examples
    - a. Inherit from base Example class
    - b. Implement various call backs.
      - i. e.g. constraining velocities and positions for a cloth simulation

## 6. Projects

- a. Implement and instantiate a driver (and sometimes an example)
- b. Many derived examples
- c. Bring in external libraries
- d. Present front end ... GUI, etc.
- e. For example
  - i. Solids (Projects/solids)

1. Uses a generic driver
  2. Many derived examples
    - a. Curtain\_And\_Ball (Triangulated Surface)
    - b. Torus (Tetrahedralized)
- ii. water\_free\_surface\_3d (Projects/water\_free\_surface\_3d)
1. Uses a specialized driver but a generic  
SOLIDS\_FLUIDS\_EXAMPLE\_3D
  2. Many derived examples
    - a. Falling\_Drop
    - b. Filling\_Cup