6.837 Intro to Computer Graphics, Fall 2003 Assignment 1: Ray Casting

Scene description file grammar

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file ::= camera background group
            camera ::= orthographicCamera
orthographicCamera ::= OrthographicCamera {
                            center Vec3f
                            direction Vec3f
                            up Vec3f
                            size float
       background ::= Background {
                            color Vec3f
            group ::= Group {
                            num_objects int
                            (object3D | material object3D) ^ num_objects
                        }
          object3D ::= group | sphere
            sphere ::= Sphere {
                            center Vec3f
                            radius float
         material ::= Material {
                            diffuse_color Vec3f
            Vec3f ::= float float
```

How to read a grammar:

Start with the top level rule, in this case **file**. To expand a rule, substitute the appropriate definitions for each of the elements in bold. Some special notation:

means "OR"

^ n means "exactly n elements"