

# Entity Api

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## Classes



struct	<a href="#">Quantum.EntityRef</a> Quantum entity reference. <a href="#">More...</a>
class	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase</a> The Frame class is the container for all the transient and static game state data, including the API for entities, physics, assets and others. <a href="#">More...</a>
struct	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase.FrameBaseUnsafe</a> Frame API to give access to C# unsafe pointers and advanced immediate operations. <a href="#">More...</a>

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<a href="#">EntityRef</a>	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create</a> ( <a href="#">EntityPrototype</a> prototype) Creates an entity from a prototype. This process is also referred to as "prototype materialization". <a href="#">More...</a>
void	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create</a> ( <a href="#">EntityPrototypeContainer[]</a> prototypes, Map parentAsset) Creates (materializes) map prototypes. The difference between this method and calling <a href="#">Create(EntityPrototype)</a> repeatedly is that <a href="#">EntityRef</a> fields get resolved and that <a href="#">MapEntityLink</a> components are added implicitly. <a href="#">More...</a>
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<a href="#">ComponentSet</a>	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase.GetComponentSet</a> ( <a href="#">EntityRef</a> entityRef) Gets a set of all component types that were added to the entity. <a href="#">More...</a>
T *	<a href="#">Quantum.Core.FrameBase.FrameBaseUnsafe.GetPointer&lt; T &gt;</a> ( <a href="#">EntityRef</a> entityRef) Gets a pointer to a component that can be changed directly without writing the component back with <a href="#">Set&lt;T&gt;(EntityRef, T)</a> .



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bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Has](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, [ComponentSet](#) set)  
Checks if the entity contains a whole set of components.  
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bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, int componentIndex)  
Removes a component from an entity. [More...](#)

bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, Type componentType)  
Removes a component from an entity. [More...](#)

bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove< T >](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef)  
Removes a component from an entity. [More...](#)

SetResult [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set](#) ([EntityRef](#) entity, [EntityPrototype](#) prototype)  
Adds (materializes) components to an already existing entity. If a component already exists, it will get completely overwritten, but an error message will be logged. To avoid errors in such case use [Set\(EntityRef, EntityPrototype, out ComponentSet\)](#) instead. [More...](#)

SetResult [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set](#) ([EntityRef](#) entity, [EntityPrototype](#) prototype, out [ComponentSet](#) overwrittenComponents)  
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SetResult [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set](#) ([EntityRef](#) entity, int componentIndex, void \*value)  
Sets a component on an entity. [More...](#)

SetResult [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set< T >](#) ([EntityRef](#) entity, T value)  
Sets a component on an entity. [More...](#)

bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.TryGet< T >](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, out T value)  
Gets a component from an entity. Does not throw when the component does not exist. [More...](#)

bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.TryGetComponentSet](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, out [ComponentSet](#) set)  
Gets a set of all component types that were added to the entity. [More...](#)

bool [Quantum.Core.FrameBase.FrameBaseUnsafe.TryGetPointer< T >](#) ([EntityRef](#) entityRef, out T \*value)  
Similar to [GetPointer<T>\(EntityRef\)](#) but does not throw an exception if the component is not present. [More...](#)



# Detailed Description

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## Function Documentation



◆Add< T >() [ 1 / 4 ]

AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add< T > ( EntityRef entity )

inline

Adds a default component to an entity.

Template Parameters

**T** Component type

Parameters

**entity** Entity reference

Internally calls Has<T>(EntityRef) and Set<T>(EntityRef, T)

Exceptions

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does not exist

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when entity already has a component of the given type

Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

*T : IComponent*

◆Has()

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Has ( EntityRef entityRef,  
                                ComponentSet set  
                                )
```

inline

Checks if the entity contains a whole set of components.

#### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference  
**set** Set of component types

#### Returns

True if the entity has all component types

### ◆ Exists()

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Exists ( EntityRef entityRef )
```

inline

Checks if an entity is still valid.

For example handy for when you store the entity as a reference inside other components.

#### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

#### Returns

True if the entity exists

### ◆ GetComponentIterator< T >()

## ComponentIterator<T> Quantum.Core.FrameBase.GetComponentIterator< T > ( ) inline

Create a component iterator for all components of one type.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Returns

Component iterator

Changed components have to be Set<T>(EntityRef, T) back.

Accessing the component array creates a copy of the component.

### Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

*T : IComponent*

◆ Add< T >() [ 2 / 4 ]

```
AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add< T > ( EntityRef entity,  
                                             T value  
                                             )
```

inline

Adds a component to an entity.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entity** Entity reference

**value** Value of the component to be added

Internally calls [Has<T>\(EntityRef\)](#) and [Set<T>\(EntityRef, T\)](#)

### Returns

AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist if *entity* does not exist.

AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists if the *entity* already has a component of type *T*. The value is not set in this case. AddResult.ComponentAdded Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

### Type Constraints

*T* : *unmanaged*

*T* : *IComponent*

◆ [Add< T >\(\)](#) [ 3 / 4 ]

```
AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add< T > ( EntityRef entity,
                                             out T * result
                                             )
```

inline

Adds a component of default value to an entity and returns a pointer to the added component.

## Template Parameters

## T Component type

## Parameters

**entity** Entity reference

**result** A pointer to the component added. Null if the result is not `AddResult.ComponentAdded`.

Internally calls `Has<T>(EntityRef)` and `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`

## Returns

AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist if *entity* does not exist.

`AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists` if the *entity* already has a component of type *T*. The value is not set in this case. `AddResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

## Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

$$T : IComponent$$

◆ Add< T >() [4/4]



```

AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add< T > ( EntityRef entity,
                                           T value,
                                           out T * result
                                           )

```

inline

Adds a component of defined value to an entity and returns a pointer to the added component.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entity** Entity reference

**value** Value of the component to be added

**result** A pointer to the component added. Null if the result is not `AddResult.ComponentAdded`.

Internally calls `Has<T>(EntityRef)` and `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`

### Returns

`AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if *entity* does not exist.

`AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists` if the *entity* already has a component of type *T*. The value is not set in this case. `AddResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

### Type Constraints

*T* : *unmanaged*

*T* : *IComponent*

◆ `Add()` [1 / 3]

```
AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add ( EntityRef entity,  
                                     int      componentIndex,  
                                     void *   value  
                                     )
```

inline

Adds a component of defined value to an entity

### Parameters

<b>entity</b>	Entity reference
<b>componentIndex</b>	The index of the component to be added. See also <code>ComponentTypeId.GetComponentIndex(Type)</code> or <code>ComponentTypeId&lt;T&gt;.Id</code> to retrieve the index of a component type.
<b>value</b>	A pointer to data that should be copied as value to the component added. If null, the component is added with default value.

Internally calls `Has<T>(EntityRef)` and `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`

### Returns

`AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if *entity* does not exist.  
`AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists` if the *entity* already has a component of index *componentIndex* . The value is not set in this case.  
`AddResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

◆ Add() [ 2 / 3 ]

```
AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add ( EntityRef entity,  
                                         int componentIndex,  
                                         out void * result  
                                         )
```

inline

Adds a component of default value to an entity and returns a pointer to the added component.

### Parameters

<b>entity</b>	Entity reference
<b>componentIndex</b>	The index of the component to be added. See also <code>ComponentTypeId.GetComponentIndex(Type)</code> or <code>ComponentTypeId&lt;T&gt;.Id</code> to retrieve the index of a component type.
<b>result</b>	A pointer to the component added. Null if the result is not <code>AddResult.ComponentAdded</code> .

Internally calls `Has<T>(EntityRef)` and `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`

### Returns

`AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if *entity* does not exist.  
`AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists` if the *entity* already has a component of index *componentIndex*. The value is not set in this case.  
`AddResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

◆ Add() [3/3]

```

AddResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Add ( EntityRef entity,
                                     int componentIndex,
                                     void * value,
                                     out void * result
                                     )

```

inline

Adds a component of defined value to an entity and returns a pointer to the added component.

### Parameters

<b>entity</b>	Entity reference
<b>componentIndex</b>	The index of the component to be added. See also <code>ComponentTypeId.GetComponentIndex(Type)</code> or <code>ComponentTypeId&lt;T&gt;.Id</code> to retrieve the index of a component type.
<b>value</b>	A pointer to data that should be copied as value to the component added. If null, the component is added with default value.
<b>result</b>	A pointer to the component added. Null if the result is not <code>AddResult.ComponentAdded</code> .

Internally calls `Has<T>(EntityRef)` and `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`

### Exceptions

**IndexOutOfRangeException** If the *componentIndex* does not identify a valid component.

### Returns

`AddResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if *entity* does not exist.  
`AddResult.ComponentAlreadyExists` if the *entity* already has a component of index *componentIndex*. The value is not set in this case.  
`AddResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that the component was successfully added to the entity.

◆ `AddOrGet< T >()`

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.AddOrGet< T > ( EntityRef entity,  
                                             out T * result  
                                             )
```

inline

Adds a component of default value to an entity (if it does not have that component yet) and gets a pointer to the component.

### Parameters

**entity** Entity reference

**result** A pointer to the component added or already existing. Null if the *entity* does not exist.

### Returns

False if the entity does not exist and True otherwise.

### Type Constraints

*T* : *unmanaged*

*T* : *IComponent*

◆ AddOrGet()

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.AddOrGet ( EntityRef entity,  
                                     int componentIndex,  
                                     out void * result  
                                     )
```

inline

Adds a component of default value to an entity (if it does not have that component yet) and gets a pointer to the component.

### Parameters

<b>entity</b>	Entity reference
<b>componentIndex</b>	The index of the component to be added. See also <code>ComponentTypeId.GetComponentIndex(Type)</code> or <code>ComponentTypeId&lt;T&gt;.Id</code> to retrieve the index of a component type.
<b>result</b>	A pointer to the component added or already existing. Null if the <i>entity</i> does not exist.

### Exceptions

<b>IndexOutOfRangeException</b>	If the <i>componentIndex</i> does not identify a valid component.
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### Returns

False if the entity does not exist and True otherwise.

◆ Set< T >()

```

SetResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set< T > ( EntityRef entity,
                                                T value
                                                )

```

inline

Sets a component on an entity.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entity** Entity ref

**value** Value of the component to be added

### Returns

SetResult.EntityDoesNotExist if *entity* does not exist.

SetResult.ComponentUpdated if the *entity* already had a component of type *T* that had its value updated to *value*. SetResult.ComponentAdded Otherwise, indicating that a component with the defined value was added to the entity.

### Type Constraints

*T* : *unmanaged*

*T* : *IComponent*

◆ Set() [1/3]

```
SetResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set ( EntityRef entity,  
                                     int      componentIndex,  
                                     void *   value  
                                     )
```

inline

Sets a component on an entity.

### Parameters

<b>entity</b>	Entity ref
<b>componentIndex</b>	The index of the component being set. See also <code>ComponentTypeId.GetComponentIndex(Type)</code> or <code>ComponentTypeId&lt;T&gt;.Id</code> to get the index of a component.
<b>value</b>	A pointer to data that should be copied as value to the component. If null, the component is set with default value.

### Exceptions

**IndexOutOfRangeException** If the *componentIndex* does not identify a valid component.

### Returns

`SetResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if *entity* does not exist.  
`SetResult.ComponentUpdated` if the *entity* already had a component of index *componentIndex* that had its value updated to *value*. `SetResult.ComponentAdded` Otherwise, indicating that a component with the defined value was added to the entity.

◆ Get< T >()



## T Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Get< T > ( EntityRef entityRef )

inline

Gets a component from an entity.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

### Returns

Requested component

Modified components need to be explicitly written back by using `Set<T>(EntityRef, T)`.

Use `Has<T>(EntityRef)` to quickly check the entity for component availability.

```
var t = f.Get<Transform2D>(entity);  
t.Position = FPVector2.Zero;  
f.Set(entity, t);
```

### Exceptions

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does not exist

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the component does not exists on entity

### Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

*T : IComponent*

## ◆ TryGet< T >()

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.TryGet< T > ( EntityRef entityRef,  
                                         out T      value  
                                         )
```

inline

Gets a component from an entity. Does not throw when the component does not exist.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

**value** Requested component

### Returns

True if the component exists

```
if (f.TryGet<Transform2D>(entity, out Transform2D t)) {  
    t.Position = FPVector2.Zero;  
    f.Set(entity, t);  
}
```

### Exceptions

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does not exist

### Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

*T : IComponent*

◆ Remove< T >()

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove< T > ( EntityRef entityRef )
```

inline

Removes a component from an entity.

## Template Parameters

## T Component type

## Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

## Returns

False if the *entityRef* is not valid or the entity does not have a component of type *T*. True otherwise.

## Type Constraints

*T:unmanaged*

$$T : IComponent$$

## ◆ Remove() [1/2]

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove ( EntityRef entityRef,  
                                     Type      componentType  
                                     )
```

inline

Removes a component from an entity.

## Parameters

<b>entityRef</b>	Entity reference
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**componentType** Component type

## Returns

False if the *entityRef* is not valid or the entity does not have a component of type *componentType*. True otherwise.

## ◆ Remove() [2/2]

```
bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Remove ( EntityRef entityRef,  
                                     int      componentIndex  
                                     )
```

inline

Removes a component from an entity.

### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference  
**componentIndex** The index of the component to be removed.

### Exceptions

**IndexOutOfRangeException** If the *componentIndex* does not identify a valid component.

### Returns

False if the *entityRef* is not valid or the entity does not have a component of index *componentIndex*. True otherwise.

## ◆ GetComponentSet()

### ComponentSet

```
Quantum.Core.FrameBase.GetComponentSet ( EntityRef entityRef )
```

inline

Gets a set of all component types that were added to the entity.

### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

### Returns

A set of all component types that are available on the entity

## ◆ TryGetComponentSet()

**bool****Quantum.Core.FrameBase.TryGetComponentSet** ( EntityRef **entityRef**,  
out ComponentSet **set**  
) inline

Gets a set of all component types that were added to the entity.

**Parameters**

**entityRef** Entity reference  
**set**

◆ **Destroy()****bool Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Destroy** ( EntityRef **entityRef** ) inline

Destroys the entity and all components that were added to it.

The destruction takes immediate effect, i.e., Exists will start to return false. The old data, however, will remain in memory until destroy/remove commands are committed, according to the CommitCommandsMode or manually through FrameBaseUnsafe.CommitAllCommands().

```
f.Destroy(entity);
```

**Parameters**

**entityRef**

◆ **Create()** [ 1 / 4 ]

**EntityRef****Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create****( AssetRefEntityPrototype *prototype* )**

inline

Creates an entity from a prototype asset. This process is also referred to as "prototype materialization".

**Parameters*****prototype*****See also**

Create(EntityPrototype)

**Returns**

## ◆ Create() [ 2 / 4 ]

**EntityRef Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create ( EntityPrototype *prototype* )**

inline

Creates an entity from a prototype. This process is also referred to as "prototype materialization".

The steps are following:

1. An empty entity is created.
2. For each component prototype:
  - a. Component prototype is materialized.
  - b. Component prototype has MaterializeUser invoked.
  - c. Component prototype is added to the entity.
3. Quantum.ISignalOnEntityPrototypeMaterialized is invoked.

**Parameters*****prototype*****Returns**

## ◆ Create() [ 3 / 4 ]

```
void Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create ( EntityPrototypeContainer[] prototypes,  
                                     Map  
                                     )
```

inline

Creates (materializes) map prototypes. The difference between this method and calling `Create(EntityPrototype)` repeatedly is that `EntityRef` fields get resolved and that `MapEntityLink` components are added implicitly.

This is a multi-step process:

1. An empty entity is created for each prototype
2. For each entity-prototype pair:
  - a. For each component prototype:
    - i. Component prototype is materialized.
    - ii. Component prototype has `MaterializeUser` invoked.
    - iii. Component prototype is added to the entity.
  - b. `MapEntityLink` component is added to the entity.
3. `ISignalOnEntityPrototypeMaterialized` is invoked for each entity-prototype pair.

#### Parameters

**prototypes**

**parentAsset**

◆ Set() [2 / 3]

```
SetResult Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set ( EntityRef entity,  
                                         EntityPrototype prototype  
                                         )
```

inline

Adds (materializes) components to an already existing entity. If a component already exists, it will get completely overwritten, but an error message will be logged. To avoid errors in such case use `Set(EntityRef, EntityPrototype, out ComponentSet)` instead.

The steps are following:

1. For each component prototype:
  - a. Component prototype is materialized.
  - b. Component prototype has `MaterializeUser` invoked.
  - c. Component prototype is added to the entity.
2. `Quantum.ISignalOnEntityPrototypeMaterialized` is invoked.

### Parameters

**entity**

**prototype**

### Returns

`SetResult.EntityDoesNotExist` if entity does not exist.

`SetResult.ComponentUpdated` if any component has been overwritten,

`SetResult.ComponentAdded` otherwise.

### See also

`Create(EntityPrototype)`, `Set(EntityRef, EntityPrototype, out ComponentSet, out ComponentSet)`

◆ `Set()` [3/3]



**SetResult**

**Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Set** ( EntityRef **entity**,  
EntityPrototype **prototype**,  
 out **ComponentSet** **overwrittenComponents**  
 )

inline

Adds (materializes) components to an already existing entity. If a component already exists, it will get completely overwritten.

The steps are following:

1. For each component prototype:
  - a. Component prototype is materialized.
  - b. Component prototype has `MaterializeUser` invoked.
  - c. Component prototype is added to the entity.
2. `Quantum.ISignalOnEntityPrototypeMaterialized` is invoked.

**Parameters****entity****prototype****overwrittenComponents** Components that have been overwritten.**Returns**

SetResult.EntityDoesNotExist if entity does not exist.

SetResult.ComponentUpdated if any component has been overwritten,

SetResult.ComponentAdded otherwise.

**See also**

Create(EntityPrototype)

◆ Create() [ 4 / 4 ]

EntityRef **Quantum.Core.FrameBase.Create** ( )

inline

Creates an entity that is saved in the game state.

**Returns**

Entity reference

```
var entity = f.Create();
```

◆ GetPointer< T >()

**T\*****Quantum.Core.FrameBase.FrameBaseUnsafe.GetPointer<****T >****( EntityRef entityRef )**

inline

Gets a pointer to a component that can be changed directly without writing the component back with Set<T>(EntityRef, T).

**Template Parameters****T** Component type**Parameters****entityRef** Entity reference**Returns**

Pointer to the requested component

**Exceptions****InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does not exist**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does have the requested component type.

Always check the availability of the component with Has(EntityRef, ComponentSet) before using this method.

**Type Constraints***T : unmanaged**T : IComponent*◆ TryGetPointer< T >()

**bool****Quantum.Core.FrameBase.FrameBaseUnsafe.TryGetPointer<****T >****( EntityRef entityRef,**  
**out T \* value**  
**)**

inline

Similar to [GetPointer<T>\(EntityRef\)](#) but does not throw an exception if the component is not present.

### Template Parameters

**T** Component type

### Parameters

**entityRef** Entity reference

**value** Resulting component pointer of null if the component was not found

### Returns

True if component was found

### Exceptions

**InvalidOperationException** Thrown when the entity does not exist

### Type Constraints

*T : unmanaged*

*T : IComponent*