



# **The JSON File**



### The JSON File

- Every object contains a file that describes it
- The file is in JSON format
- We use it so much, we call the "The JSON File"
- Already talked about sensor data, but there is more...

Open reference\_object.json in 100\_the\_json\_file

### **Common Members**

```
"manufacturer" : "Valve"
"model number" : "REF-HMD"
"device class" : "controller"
"device vid" : 10462
"device pid" : 8960
"device serial number" : "LHR-X"
"render model" : "ref controller"
```

- Company name
- Product model
- "hmd" or "controller"
- USB vendor ID
- USB product ID
- Serial number
- Default render model

## **Sensor Positions**

- Contains the three arrays that define sensor
  - Position
  - Orientation
  - Channel connection

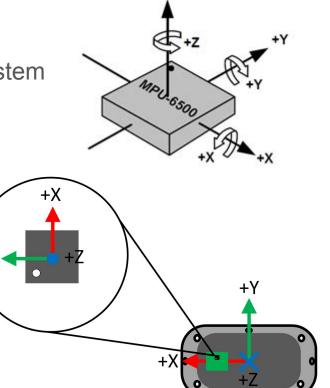
```
"lighthouse_config" : {
    "channelMap" : [...],
    "modelNormals" : [...],
    "modelPoints" : [...]
}
```

#### **IMU Position**

Holds IMU calibration data

Locates the IMU in the object's coordinate system

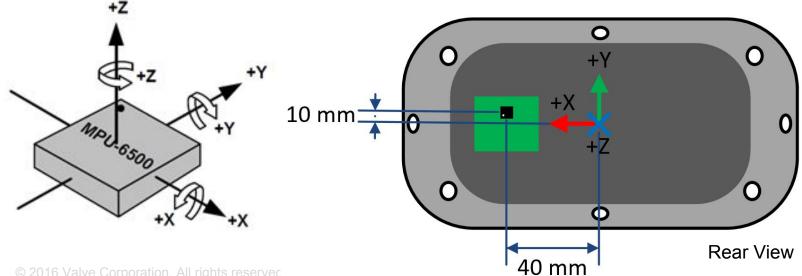
```
"imu" : {
    "acc_scale" : [ 1, 1, 1 ],
    "acc_bias" : [ 0, 0, 0 ],
    "gyro_scale" : [ 1, 1, 1 ],
    "gyro_bias" : [ 0, 0, 0 ],
    "plus_x" : [ 1, 0, 0 ],
    "plus_z" : [ 0, 0, 1 ],
    "position" : [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 ]
}
```



#### **IMU Exercise**

- Add "imu" to add imu.json
- Visualize the json to verify placement
  - Use sensor shape.scad as the shape

```
"imu" : {
  "acc scale" : [ 1, 1, 1 ],
  "acc bias" : [ 0, 0, 0 ],
  "gyro scale" : [ 1, 1, 1 ],
   "gyro bias" : [ 0, 0, 0 ],
  "plus x" : [ ?, ?, ? ],
  "plus z" : [ ?, ?, ? ],
  "position" : [ ?, ?, ? ]
```



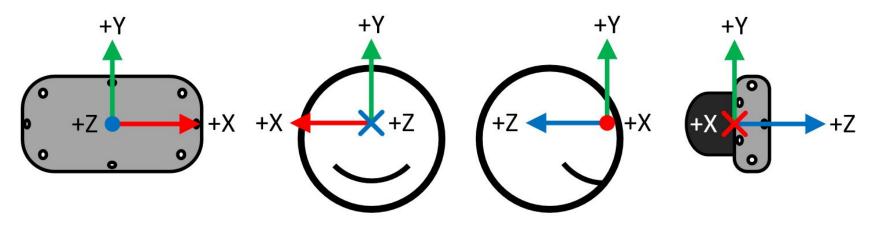
# Mapping to SteamVR™ Coordinates

- The "head" variable describes the SteamVR coordinate system in the object's coordinates.
- Different for HMDs and controllers

```
"head" : {
    "plus_x" : [ 1, 0, 0 ],
    "plus_z" : [ 0, 0, 1 ],
    "position" : [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 ]
}
```

#### **HMD** "head" Coordinates

- SteamVR HMD coordinates
  - Centered between the pupils
  - +Y is up
  - +X is to the user's right
  - +Z is into the head
- How would "plus\_x", "plus\_z", and "position" map in this example?



# **HMD Specific Members**

```
"direct_mode_edid_vid" : xxxxx

"direct_mode_edid_pid" : xxxxx
```

- Display EDID vendor ID
- Display EDID product ID
- HMDs require optics calibration data stored in the JSON file
- We are focused on tracking
- Optics are outside the scope of this class
- Working on HMDs? Valve can help!