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Structure


ModelComponent

A component that contains a mesh and materials for the visual appearance of an entity.

iOS 13.0+ | iPadOS 13.0+ | Mac Catalyst 13.0+ | macOS 10.15+ | tvOS 26.0+ | visionOS

```
struct ModelComponent
```

Mentioned in

 [Creating a plane with low-level mesh](#)

Overview

This component is a foundational component for all visual content in RealityKit. Use `ModelComponent` to render 3D models by attaching it to any [Entity](#) in your RealityKit scene.

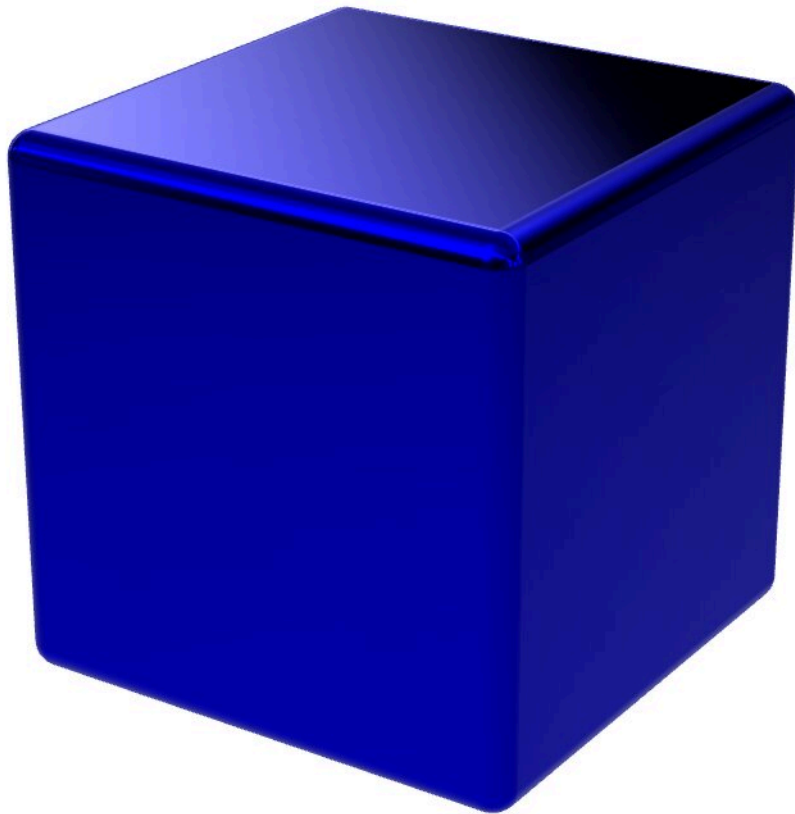
To create a `ModelComponent`, you need a mesh and the number of materials that mesh expects, which is typically one.

For example, here's how to create a simple blue, metallic box using [generateBox\(size: cornerRadius:\)](#), and [SimpleMaterial](#):

```
let mesh = MeshResource.generateBox(size: 1, cornerRadius: 0.05)
let material = SimpleMaterial(color: .blue, isMetallic: true)

let modelComponent = ModelComponent(mesh: mesh, materials: [material])

let entity = Entity()
entity.components.set(modelComponent)
```



Make different primitive shapes, like spheres with `generateSphere(radius:)`, or cylinders with `generateCylinder(height:radius:)`, or create custom shapes with `Mesh Descriptor`. For more information about materials, see [Applying realistic material and lighting effects to entities](#)

Tip

To load a USDZ or reality file to your app, use an entity initializer such as `init(named:in:)` or `init(contentsOf:withName:)`.

Use other components like [CollisionComponent](#), [PhysicsBodyComponent](#), [PhysicsMotionComponent](#), and [InputTargetComponent](#) to make entities interactive and dynamic.

Topics

Creating a model component

```
init(mesh: MeshResource, materials: [any Material])
```

Creates a model component from a mesh and a collection of materials.

Configuring a mesh

```
var mesh: MeshResource
```

The mesh that defines the model's shape.

Configuring the materials

```
var materials: [any Material]
```

The materials that define the model's visual appearance.

Modifying the bounding box for rendering

```
var boundsMargin: Float
```

A margin applied to an entity's bounding box that determines object visibility.

Relationships

Conforms To

Component, Copyable

See Also

Model display

`class MeshResource`

A high-level representation of a collection of vertices and edges that define a shape.

`class ModelEntity`

A representation of a physical object that RealityKit renders and optionally simulates.