

## Sound in Java 3D

- NB When using a linux box make sure audio is actually enabled first with a command line test such as –  
`aplay file`
- Java 3D requires an AudioDevice to be selected
  - AudioDevice can be used to specify mono, stereo, headphones, speakers, distances and angles of speakers, etc.
- PhysicalEnvironment can be queried to identify which AudioDevices are available and can then be used to set the particular AudioDevice which is to be used
  - We're currently having problems with this under linux ☹

## AudioDevice 3D & 3DL2

- AudioDevice3D
  - Intended that this interface should be implemented by AudioDevice driver developers using a software or hardware sound engine of their choice
- AudioDevice3DL2
  - Extends AudioDevice3D to include reverb and environmental audio parameters that are defined in the MIDI Level 2 Specification
  - Occlusion supported
    - Sounds travelling indirectly to a listener – e.g. round a corner
  - Obstruction supported
    - Sounds muffled by obstructions – e.g through a wall

## Sound Nodes

- **BackgroundSound**
  - Defines an unattenuated, nonspatialised sound source that has no position or direction
  - This type of sound is simply added to the sound mix without modification and is useful for playing a mono or stereo music track or an ambient sound effect
  - Unlike a Background (visual) node, more than one BackgroundSound node can be simultaneously enabled and active
- **PointSound**
  - Defines a spatially located sound source whose waves radiate uniformly in all directions from a given location in space
  - It specifies a location and a distance-based gain attenuation for different listener positions
  - ConeSound provides a directional extension to PointSound
- **SoundScape**
  - Defines an application region and an associated aural attribute component object that controls reverberation and atmospheric properties that affect sound source rendering
  - Multiple Soundscape nodes can be included in a scene graph

## Scheduling Bounds and Behaviors

- Sound nodes may have scheduling bounds associated with them which specify a region of audibility
  - Sounds are potentially audible when their scheduling bounds intersect with the activation volume of the ViewPlatform
  - `setSchedulingBounds()`
  - `setSchedulingBoundingLeaf()`
- In Java 3D we can create Behaviors for audio
  - Sounds can be triggered to activate upon certain events
  - Note that we can also define Behaviors which activate sounds defined using the basic Java Platform and JMF APIs

## Sounds with the Java Platform

- Java 3D provides much more, of course ☺
- The basic Java Platform supports audio via the `AudioSystem` and `MidiSystem` classes
  - Packages `javax.sound.sampled` and `javax.sound.midi`
- A Sun utility is also available via the `AudioPlayer` class
  - Package `sun.audio`
- The Java Media Framework (JMF) provides a higher-level API

## Java Sound

### Supports

- AIFF, AU, WAV
  - `import javax.sound.sampled.*;`
- MIDI (Types 0 & 1) and RMF
  - `import javax.sound.midi.*;`

[java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/guide/sound/programmer\\_guide/contents.html](http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/guide/sound/programmer_guide/contents.html)

```
File soundFile = new File("file.wav");
AudioInputStream soundTrack =
    AudioSystem.getAudioInputStream(soundFile);
AudioFormat soundFormat = soundTrack.getFormat();
SourceDataLine soundLine = null;
DataLine.Info soundInfo = new
    DataLine.Info(SourceDataLine.class, soundFormat);
soundLine = (SourceDataLine)
    AudioSystem.getLine(soundInfo);
soundLine.open(soundFormat);
soundLine.start();
```

## Sound with Sun's AudioPlayer

- Associate an audio file with an input stream

```
InputStream in = new FileInputStream("file.wav");
```
- Associate the input stream with an audio stream

```
AudioStream soundTrack = new AudioStream(in);
```
- Use AudioPlayer class to control playback

```
AudioPlayer.player.start(soundTrack);
AudioPlayer.player.stop(soundTrack);
```

Etc.
- Ignore warnings about `sun.audio.*` possibly disappearing in the future ☺

## Sound with JMF

### Supports

- AIFF, AU, AVI, GSM, MIDI, MOV, MPG, MP2, MVR, WAV  
[java.sun.com/products/java-media/jmf/2.1.1/guide/index.html](http://java.sun.com/products/java-media/jmf/2.1.1/guide/index.html)

```
Player player = Manager.createPlayer(mediaURL);
```

```
player.realize();      // Initialise the player
player.prefetch();     // Further initialisation
player.start();        // Start playing
player.stop();         // Stop playing
player.deallocate();   // Free up connections
player.close();        // Close the player
```