The asymptote package

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Abstract

This package provides integration of inline and external Asymptote graphics within a \LaTeX document.

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1 Introduction

This is the documentation for the LATEX package asymptote which accompanies the Asymptote drawing package. For further details on Asymptote, please see its documentation in asymptote.pdf.

2 User syntax

2.1 Package loading and options

The package may take two options at load time: inline or attach. These options can also be set at any time with the $\asysetup{\langle options \rangle}$ command, or specified individually in the optional argument to each asy environment or asyinclude command.

The inline option uses Asymptote's 'inline' mode whereby included graphics have their labels typeset in the environment of the document they are contained within. Otherwise the Asymptote graphics are self-contained and their formatting is independent of the document.

The attach option allows generated graphics to be embedded within the PDF using the attachfile2 package; please load that package separately if you wish to use it. The attach option takes precedence over the inline option.

This package produces quite a number of output files, which by default are created in the same directory as the LATEX document that is being compiled. To keep things more tidy, you can specify an output directory for these files by defining the \asydir command. For example, if you wish to store the figure files in the subdirectory asytmp/, the you would write \renewcommand\asydir{asytmp}.

Alternatively (and tentatively), you may write dir=asytmp in either the asy environment options or the options to \asysetup.

2.2 Commands for inserting Asymptote graphics

The main environment defined by the package is the **asy** environment, in which verbatim Asymptote code is placed that will be compiled for generating a graphic in the document. For example,

```
\begin{figure}
\begin{asy}[ <options> ]
<ASYMPTOTE CODE>
\end{asy}
\caption{...}\label{...}
```

If you have Asymptote code in a separate file, you can include it with the $\ag{filename}$ command.

For Asymptote code that should be included in *every* graphic, define it using the asydef environment.

2.3 Graphics options

Both the asy environment and the \asyinclude command take optional parameters for controlling aspects of the graphics creation. In addition to locally setting inline and attach, the following options may also be used:

```
width Width of the figureheight Height of the figure
```

keepAspect Maintain aspect ratio [default true]

viewportwidth Viewport width for 3D figures

viewportheight Viewport height for 3D figures

These may also be set globally using the \asysetup command.

3 Processing the document

After running IATEX on the document, it is necessary to process the Asymptote graphics so they can be included in the next compilation. The simplest procedure is a recipe such as

```
pdflatex mydoc
asy mydoc-*.asy
pdflatex mydoc
```

This technique will recompile each graphic every time, however. To only recompile graphics that have changed, use the latexmk tool. Asymptote is distributed with a latexmkrc configuration file; place this file in a place where latexmk will find it and your document may be compiled, including the asy compilations, with latexmk mydoc or latexmk --pdf mydoc.

4 Implementation

```
1 \def\Asymptote{{\tt Asymptote}}
2 \InputIfFileExists{\jobname.pre}{}{}
```

4.1 Allocations

Allocations

```
3 \newbox\ASYbox
4 \newcounter{asy}
5 \newwrite\AsyStream
6 \newwrite\AsyPreStream
7 \newif\ifASYinline
8 \newif\ifASYattach
9 \newif\ifASYkeepAspect
10 \ASYkeepAspecttrue
```

4.2 Packages

```
11 \RequirePackage{keyval}
12 \RequirePackage{ifthen}
13 \RequirePackage{color,graphicx}
```

Emulating packages We cannot assume that Asymptote users have recent TEX distributions. (E.g., Fedora until recently still shipped teTeX.) So load ifpdf and ifxetex if they exist; otherwise, emulate them.

In due course, delete this code and just load the packages.

```
14 \IfFileExists{ifpdf.sty}{
    \RequirePackage{ifpdf}
15
16 }{
    \expandafter\newif\csname ifpdf\endcsname
17
    \ifx\pdfoutput\@undefined\else
18
      \ifcase\pdfoutput\else
19
20
        \pdftrue
21
22
    \fi
23 }
24 \IfFileExists{ifxetex.sty}{
    \RequirePackage{ifxetex}
25
26 }{
27
    \expandafter\newif\csname ifxetex\endcsname
28
    \ifx\XeTeXversion\@undefined\else
      \xetextrue
29
    \fi
30
31 }
```

\CatchFileDef

Used for \asyinclude. Note that the fallback definition is not as robust as the one provided by catchfile.

```
32 \IfFileExists{catchfile.sty}{
    \RequirePackage{catchfile}
33
34 }{
    \newcommand\CatchFileDef[3]{%
35
      \begingroup
36
37
      \everyeof{%
38
        \ENDCATCHFILEMARKER
39
        \noexpand
      }%
40
      \long\def\@tempa###1\ENDCATCHFILEMARKER{%
41
        \endgroup
42
        \def##1{####1}%
43
      }%
44
45
      \expandafter\@tempa\@@input ##2\relax
46
    }
47
48 }
Ensuring attachfile2 is loaded if [attach] is requested
49 \newif\if@asy@attachfile@loaded
50 \AtBeginDocument{%
    \@ifpackageloaded{attachfile2}{\@asy@attachfile@loadedtrue}{}%
52
    \let\asy@check@attachfile\asy@check@attachfile@loaded
53 }
54 \newcommand\asy@check@attachfile@loaded{%
    \if@asy@attachfile@loaded\else
55
      56
57
        You have requested the [attach] option for some or all of your^^J%
        Asymptote graphics, which requires the attachfile2 package.^^J%
58
59
        Please load it in the document preamble.^^J%
      }%
60
    \fi
61
62 }
63 \newcommand\asy@check@attachfile{%
    \AtBeginDocument{\asy@check@attachfile@loaded}%
    \let\asy@check@attachfile\@empty
65
66 }
Macros
67 \def\csarg#1#2{\expandafter#1\csname#2\endcsname}
4.3
      Package options
68 \DeclareOption{inline}{%
    \ASYinlinetrue
69
70 }
71 \DeclareOption{attach}{%
```

```
72 \asy@check@attachfile
73 \ASYattachtrue
74 }
75 \ProcessOptions*
76 \def\asydir{}
77 \def\ASYprefix{}
```

4.4 Testing for PDF output

Note this is not quite the same as \ifpdf, since we still want PDF output when using XeTeX.

```
78 \newif\ifASYPDF
79 \ifxetex
     \ASYPDFtrue
80
81 \ensuremath{\setminus} \texttt{else}
      \ifpdf
         \ASYPDFtrue
84
     \fi
85 \fi
86 \ifASYPDF
   \def\AsyExtension{pdf}
87
88 \ensuremath{\setminus} else
      \def\AsyExtension{eps}
89
90\fi
```

4.5 Bug squashing

```
91 \def\unquoteJobname#1"#2"#3\relax{%
     \def\rawJobname{#1}%
     \ifx\rawJobname\empty
 93
       \def\rawJobname{#2}%
94
     \fi
95
96 }
 97 \expandafter\unquoteJobname\jobname""\relax
 Work around jobname bug in MiKTeX 2.5 and 2.6: Turn stars in file names
 (resulting from spaces, etc.) into minus signs
 98 \def\fixstar#1*#2\relax{%
     \def\argtwo{#2}%
100
     \ifx\argtwo\empty
       \gdef\Jobname{#1}%
101
     \else
102
       \int \frac{1-\#2}{r}
103
     \fi
104
105 }
106 \expandafter\fixstar\rawJobname*\relax
    Work around bug in dvips.def: allow spaces in file names.
107 \def\Ginclude@eps#1{%
108
     \mbox{message}{<#1>}%
     \bgroup
```

```
\def\@tempa{!}%
110
     \dimen@\Gin@req@width
111
     \dimen@ii.1bp\relax
112
     \divide\dimen@\dimen@ii
113
     \@tempdima\Gin@req@height
114
115
     \divide\@tempdima\dimen@ii
116
       \special{PSfile=#1\space
         llx=\Gin@llx\space
117
         lly=\Gin@lly\space
118
         urx=\Gin@urx\space
119
         ury=\Gin@ury\space
120
         \ifx\Gin@scalex\@tempa\else rwi=\number\dimen@\space\fi
121
122
         \ifx\Gin@scaley\@tempa\else rhi=\number\@tempdima\space\fi
         \ifGin@clip clip\fi}%
123
124
     \egroup
125 }
       Input/Output
4.6
126 \immediate\openout\AsyPreStream=\jobname.pre\relax
127 \AtEndDocument{\immediate\closeout\AsyPreStream}
128 \def\WriteAsyLine#1{%
     129
130 }
131 \def\globalASYdefs{}
132 \def\WriteGlobalAsyLine#1{%
     \expandafter\g@addto@macro
133
     \expandafter\globalASYdefs
134
     \expandafter{\detokenize{#1^^J}}%
135
136 }
       Commands for verbatim processing environments
4.7
137 \def\ProcessAsymptote#1{%
     \begingroup
138
139
     \def\CurrentAsymptote{#1}%
140
     \let\do\@makeother \dospecials
     \@makeother\^^L% and whatever other special cases
142
     \catcode'\ =10
     \endlinechar'\^^M \catcode'\^^M=12 \xAsymptote
143
144 }
Need lots of comment chars here because \langle line\ end \rangle is no longer a space character.
145 \begingroup
     \catcode'\^^M=12 \endlinechar=-1\relax%
146
     \gdef\xAsymptote{%
147
       \expandafter\ProcessAsymptoteLine%
148
149
     \gdef\ProcessAsymptoteLine#1^^M{%
150
       \def\@tempa{#1}%
151
       {%
152
```

```
153
         \escapechar=-1\relax%
         154
       }%
155
       \int x\le 0 
156
         \edef\next{\endgroup\noexpand\end{\CurrentAsymptote}}%
157
158
159
         \ThisAsymptote{#1}%
         \let\next\ProcessAsymptoteLine%
160
       \fi%
161
       \next%
162
    }
163
164 \endgroup
       User interface
165 \newcommand\asy[1][]{%
     \stepcounter{asy}%
     \setkeys{ASYkeys}{#1}%
167
Disable the "inline" option if "attach" is enabled:
     \ifASYattach
168
       \ASYinlinefalse
169
170
     \ifx\asydir\empty\else
171
       \def\ASYprefix{\asydir/}%
172
173
     \immediate\write\AsyPreStream{%
174
175
       \noexpand\InputIfFileExists{%
176
         \ASYprefix\noexpand\jobname-\the\c@asy.pre}{}{}%
177
178
     \asy@write@graphic@header
     \let\ThisAsymptote\WriteAsyLine
179
180
     \ProcessAsymptote{asy}%
181 }
182 \endary{%}
     \asy@finalise@stream
184
     \asy@input@graphic
185 }
186 \def\asy@write@graphic@header{%
     \immediate\openout\AsyStream=\ASYprefix\jobname-\the\c@asy.asy\relax
187
     \gdef\AsyFile{\ASYprefix\Jobname-\the\c@asy}%
188
189
     \immediate\write\AsyStream{%
       if(!settings.multipleView) settings.batchView=false; ^^J%
190
       \ifxetex
191
         settings.tex="xelatex";^^J%
192
       \else\ifASYPDF
193
           settings.tex="pdflatex"; ^^J%
194
       \fi\fi
195
       \ifASYinline
196
197
         settings.inlinetex=true; ^^J%
```

```
deletepreamble(); ^^J%
198
199
       defaultfilename="\Jobname-\the\c@asy";^^J%
200
       if(settings.render < 0) settings.render=4;^^J%</pre>
201
       settings.outformat="";^^J%
202
203
       \ifASYattach
204
         settings.inlineimage=false;^^J%
         settings.embed=false;^^J%
205
         settings.toolbar=true; ^^J%
206
       \else
207
         settings.inlineimage=true;^^J%
208
         settings.embed=true;^^J%
209
210
         settings.toolbar=false;^^J%
         viewportmargin=(2,2);^^J%
211
212
        \globalASYdefs
213
     }%
214
215 }
216 \def\asy@expand@keepAspect{%}
     \ifASYkeepAspect keepAspect=true%
     \else keepAspect=false%
218
219
     \fi%
220 }
221 \def\asy@finalise@stream{%
 Setting size(). Only inserted if one of the dimensions is set explicitly (i.e., if
both height and width are not empty).
     \ifx\ASYwidth\@empty
222
       \ifx\ASYheight\@empty
223
224
         % write nothing!
225
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{size(0,\ASYheight,\asy@expand@keepAspect);}%
226
       \fi
227
     \else
228
       \ifx\ASYheight\@empty
229
230
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{size(\ASYwidth,0,\asy@expand@keepAspect);}%
231
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{size(\ASYwidth,\ASYheight,\asy@expand@keepAspect);}%
232
233
       \fi
     \fi
234
Setting viewportsize=(). Same logic as for size().
     \ifx\ASYviewportwidth\@empty
235
       \ifx\ASYviewportheight\@empty
236
237
         % write nothing!
238
       \else
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{viewportsize=(0,\ASYviewportheight);}%
239
^{240}
       \fi
     \else
241
242
       \ifx\ASYviewportheight\@empty
```

```
\immediate\write\AsyStream{viewportsize=(\ASYviewportwidth,0);}%
243
244
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{%
245
           viewportsize=(\ASYviewportwidth,\ASYviewportheight);}%
246
247
248
     \fi
249
     \immediate\closeout\AsyStream
250 }
251 \def\asy@input@graphic{%
     \ifASYinline
252
       \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.tex"}{%
253
254
         \catcode':=12\relax
         \@@input"\AsyFile.tex"\relax
255
256
         \PackageWarning{asymptote}{file '\AsyFile.tex' not found}%
257
       }%
258
259
     \else
260
       \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.\AsyExtension"}{%
261
         \ifASYattach
           \ifASYPDF
262
             \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile+0.pdf"}{%
263
               264
             }{%
265
               \setbox\ASYbox=\hbox{\includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile".pdf}}%
266
             }%
267
           \else
268
             \setbox\ASYbox=\hbox{\includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile.eps"}}%
269
270
           \textattachfile{\AsyFile.\AsyExtension}{\phantom{\copy\ASYbox}}%
271
           \vskip-\ht\ASYbox
272
273
           \indent
274
           \box\ASYbox
         \else
275
           \ifASYPDF
276
             \includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile".pdf}%
277
278
             \includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile.eps"}%
279
280
           \fi
281
         \fi
       }{%
282
    PRC figures require inline mode.
3D
         \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.tex"}{%
283
           \catcode':=12
284
285
           \@@input"\AsyFile.tex"\relax
286
           \PackageWarning{asymptote}{%
287
             file '\AsyFile.\AsyExtension' not found%
288
           }%
289
         }%
290
```

```
291
        }%
     \fi
292
293 }
294 \left( \frac{\%}{\%} \right)
     \let\ThisAsymptote\WriteGlobalAsyLine
      \ProcessAsymptote{asydef}%
296
297 }
298 \newcommand\asyinclude[2][]{\%
     \begingroup
299
     \stepcounter{asy}%
300
     \setkeys{ASYkeys}{#1}%
301
     \ifASYattach
302
        \ASYinlinefalse
303
     \fi
304
305
     \ifx\asydir\empty\else
        \def\ASYprefix{\asydir/}%
306
     \fi
307
     \immediate\write\AsyPreStream{%
308
        \noexpand\InputIfFileExists{%
309
          \ASYprefix\noexpand\jobname-\the\c@asy.pre}{}{}%
310
311
      \asy@write@graphic@header
312
     \IfFileExists{#2.asy}{%
313
        \CatchFileDef\@tempa{#2.asy}{%
314
          \label{let_do_makeother} $$ \left( \frac{d}{d} \right) = \frac{d}{d} . $$
315
          \dospecials
316
          \endlinechar=10\relax
317
        }%
318
     }{%
319
        \IfFileExists{#2}{%
320
          \CatchFileDef\@tempa{#2}{%
321
            \let\do\@makeother
322
323
            \dospecials
            \endlinechar=10\relax
324
325
          }%
326
          \PackageWarning{asymptote}{file #2 not found}%
327
        }%
328
     }%
329
     \immediate\write\AsyStream{\unexpanded\expandafter{\@tempa}}%
330
331
     \asy@finalise@stream
     \asy@input@graphic
332
333
     \endgroup
334 }
335 \newcommand{\ASYanimategraphics}[5][]{%
     \IfFileExists{_#3.pdf}{%
336
        \animategraphics[{#1}]{#2}{_#3}{#4}{#5}%
337
338
     }{}%
339 }
```

4.9 Keys for graphics processing

```
340 \newcommand\asysetup[1]{\setkeys{ASYkeys}{\#1}}
341 \define@key{ASYkeys}{dir}{%
     \def\asydir{#1}%
343 }
344 \left(ASYwidth{}\right)
345 \ensuremath{\mbox{define@key{ASYkeys}{width}{\%}}}
     \end{ASYwidth} $$ \end{ASYwidth} \he \dim xpr $$1 \simeq \end{ASYwidth} $$
347 }
348 \def\ASYheight{}
349 \define@key{ASYkeys}{height}{%
     \edef\ASYheight{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
351 }
352 \define@key{ASYkeys}{keepAspect}[true]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
353
        {\ASYkeepAspecttrue}
354
        {\ASYkeepAspectfalse}%
355
357 \def\ASYviewportwidth{}
358 \define@key{ASYkeys}{viewportwidth}{%
     \edef\ASYviewportwidth{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
359
360 }
361 \def\ASYviewportheight{}
362 \define@key{ASYkeys}{viewportheight}{%
     \edef\ASYviewportheight{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
364 }
365 \define@key{ASYkeys}{inline}[true]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
366
        {\ASYinlinetrue}
367
        {\ASYinlinefalse}%
368
369 }
370 \define@key{ASYkeys}{attach}[true]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
372
        {\ASYattachtrue}
        {\ASYattachfalse}%
373
374 }
```