# 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 figure
height 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 \newdimen\ASYdimen
5 \newcounter{asy}
6 \newwrite\AsyStream
7 \newwrite\AsyPreStream
8 \newif\ifASYinline
9 \newif\ifASYattach
10 \newif\ifASYkeepAspect
11 \ASYkeepAspecttrue
```

### 4.2 Packages

```
12 \RequirePackage{keyval}
13 \RequirePackage{ifthen}
14 \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.

```
15 \IfFileExists{ifpdf.sty}{
    \RequirePackage{ifpdf}
16
17 }{
    \expandafter\newif\csname ifpdf\endcsname
18
    \ifx\pdfoutput\@undefined\else
19
20
      \ifcase\pdfoutput\else
        \pdftrue
21
22
      \fi
23
    \fi
24 }
25 \IfFileExists{ifxetex.sty}{
    \RequirePackage{ifxetex}
26
27 }{
28
    \expandafter\newif\csname ifxetex\endcsname
    \ifx\XeTeXversion\@undefined\else
29
      \xetextrue
30
    \fi
31
32 }
```

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

```
33 \IfFileExists{catchfile.sty}{
34
    \RequirePackage{catchfile}
35 }{
    \newcommand\CatchFileDef[3]{%
36
      \begingroup
37
38
      \everyeof{%
39
        \ENDCATCHFILEMARKER
40
        \noexpand
41
      \long\def\@tempa###1\ENDCATCHFILEMARKER{%
42
        \endgroup
43
        \def##1{####1}%
44
45
      }%
46
      ##3%
47
       \expandafter\@tempa\@@input ##2\relax
48
49 }
```

### Ensuring attachfile2 is loaded if [attach] is requested

```
50 \newif\if@asy@attachfile@loaded
51 \AtBeginDocument{%
    \@ifpackageloaded{attachfile2}{\@asy@attachfile@loadedtrue}{}%
    \let\asy@check@attachfile\asy@check@attachfile@loaded
54 }
55 \newcommand\asy@check@attachfile@loaded{%
56
    \if@asy@attachfile@loaded\else
      \PackageError{asymptote}{You must load the attachfile2 package}{^^J%
57
        You have requested the [attach] option for some or all of your^^J%
58
        Asymptote graphics, which requires the attachfile2 package.^^J%
59
        Please load it in the document preamble.^^J%
60
61
      }%
62
    \fi
63 }
64 \newcommand\asy@check@attachfile{%
    \AtBeginDocument{\asy@check@attachfile@loaded}%
    \let\asy@check@attachfile\@empty
66
67 }
```

### Macros

68 \def\csarg#1#2{\expandafter#1\csname#2\endcsname}

### 4.3 Package options

```
69 \DeclareOption{inline}{% 70 \ASYinlinetrue
```

```
71 }
72 \DeclareOption{attach}{%
73  \asy@check@attachfile
74  \ASYattachtrue
75 }
76 \ProcessOptions*
77 \def\asylatexdir{}
78 \def\asydir{}
79 \def\ASYasydir{}
80 \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.

```
81 \newif\ifASYPDF
82 \setminus ifxetex
     \ASYPDFtrue
83
     \usepackage{everypage}
84
85 \ensuremath{\setminus} else
     \ifpdf
86
        \ASYPDFtrue
87
     \fi
88
89 \fi
90 \ifASYPDF
     \def\AsyExtension{pdf}
92 \ensuremath{\setminus} else
     \def\AsyExtension{eps}
94 \fi
```

### 4.5 Bug squashing

```
95 \def\unquoteJobname#1"#2"#3\relax{%

96 \def\rawJobname{#1}%

97 \ifx\rawJobname\empty

98 \def\rawJobname{#2}%

99 \fi

100 }

101 \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

```
102 \def\fixstar#1*#2\relax{%
103  \def\argtwo{#2}%
104  \ifx\argtwo\empty
105  \gdef\Jobname{#1}%
106  \else
107  \fixstar#1-#2\relax
108  \fi
109 }
```

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

```
152
                      \expandafter\ProcessAsymptoteLine%
               }
153
                \gdef\ProcessAsymptoteLine#1^^M{%
154
                     \def\0\text{tempa}{\#1}\%
155
                     {%
156
157
                           \escapechar=-1\relax%
158
                           \xdef\@tempb{\string\\end\string\{\CurrentAsymptote\string\}}%
159
                     \ifx\@tempa\@tempb%
160
                           \verb|\endf(\currentAsymptote)|| % \currentAsymptote | % \currentAsy
161
                     \else%
162
                           \ThisAsymptote{#1}%
163
                           \let\next\ProcessAsymptoteLine%
165
166
                     \next%
               }
167
168 \endgroup
169 \def\asy@init{
               \def\ASYlatexdir{}
171
               \ifx\asylatexdir\empty\else
                     \def\ASYlatexdir{\asylatexdir/}%
172
               \fi
173
               \ifx\asydir\empty\else
174
                     \def\ASYasydir{\asydir/}%
175
176
               \def\ASYprefix{\ASYlatexdir\ASYasydir}%
177
178 }
                     User interface
  4.8
179 \newcommand\asy[1][]{%
               \stepcounter{asy}%
               \setkeys{ASYkeys}{#1}%
181
  Disable the "inline" option if "attach" is enabled:
               \ifASYattach
182
                     \ASYinlinefalse
183
               \fi
184
               \asy@init
185
               \immediate\write\AsyPreStream{%
186
                     \noexpand\InputIfFileExists{%
187
                           \ASYprefix\noexpand\jobname-\the\c@asy.pre}{}{}%
188
               }
189
               \asy@write@graphic@header
190
               \let\ThisAsymptote\WriteAsyLine
191
               \ProcessAsymptote{asy}%
192
193 }
194 \def\endasy{\%}
               \asy@finalise@stream
195
196
               \asy@input@graphic
197 }
```

```
198 \def\asy@write@graphic@header{%
     \immediate\openout\AsyStream=\ASYasydir\jobname-\the\c@asy.asy\relax
199
     \gdef\AsyFile{\ASYprefix\Jobname-\the\c@asy}%
200
     \immediate\write\AsyStream{%
201
       if(!settings.multipleView) settings.batchView=false;^^J%
202
203
       \ifxetex
204
         settings.tex="xelatex"; ^^J%
       \else\ifASYPDF
205
           settings.tex="pdflatex";^^J%
206
       \fi\fi
207
       \ifASYinline
208
209
         settings.inlinetex=true; ^^J%
210
         deletepreamble();^^J%
211
       defaultfilename="\Jobname-\the\c@asy";^^J%
212
       if(settings.render < 0) settings.render=4;^^J%</pre>
213
       settings.outformat="";^^J%
214
       \ifASYattach
215
216
         settings.inlineimage=false;^^J%
217
         settings.embed=false; ^^J%
218
         settings.toolbar=true; ^^J%
       \else
219
         settings.inlineimage=true;^^J%
220
         settings.embed=true;^^J%
221
222
         settings.toolbar=false;^^J%
223
         viewportmargin=(2,2);^^J%
224
225
       \globalASYdefs
     }%
226
227 }
228 \def\asy@expand@keepAspect{%
229
     \ifASYkeepAspect keepAspect=true%
230
     \else keepAspect=false%
231
     \fi%
232 }
233 \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
234
235
       \ifx\ASYheight\@empty
236
         % write nothing!
237
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{size(0,\ASYheight,\asy@expand@keepAspect);}%
238
       \fi
239
     \else
240
       \ifx\ASYheight\@empty
241
         242
243
       \else
244
         \immediate\write\AsyStream{size(\ASYwidth,\ASYheight,\asy@expand@keepAspect);}%
```

```
245
      \fi
    \fi
246
Setting viewportsize=(). Same logic as for size().
247
     \ifx\ASYviewportwidth\@empty
       \ifx\ASYviewportheight\@empty
248
249
        % write nothing!
250
251
        \immediate\write\AsyStream{viewportsize=(0,\ASYviewportheight);}%
252
       \fi
253
254
       \ifx\ASYviewportheight\@empty
        \immediate\write\AsyStream{viewportsize=(\ASYviewportwidth,0);}%
255
256
        \immediate\write\AsyStream{%
257
258
          viewportsize=(\ASYviewportwidth,\ASYviewportheight);}%
259
       \fi
260
     \fi
261
     \immediate\closeout\AsyStream
262 }
263 \def\asy@input@graphic{%
     \ifASYinline
264
       \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.tex"}{%
265
         \catcode':=12\relax
266
        \@@input"\AsyFile.tex"\relax
267
268
        269
      }%
270
271
     \else
272
       \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.\AsyExtension"}{%
273
        \ifASYattach
274
          \ifASYPDF
            \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile+0.pdf"}{%
275
              \setbox\ASYbox=\hbox{\includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile+0".pdf}}%
276
            }{%
277
              \setbox\ASYbox=\hbox{\includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile".pdf}}%
278
            }%
279
280
          \else
            \setbox\ASYbox=\hbox{\includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile.eps"}}%
281
282
          283
284
          \vskip-\ht\ASYbox
285
          \indent
286
          \box\ASYbox
287
        \else
          \ifASYPDF
288
            \includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile".pdf}%
289
          \else
290
            \includegraphics[hiresbb]{"\AsyFile.eps"}%
291
292
```

```
293
                                            \fi
                                   }{%
294
   3D PRC figures require inline mode.
                                            \IfFileExists{"\AsyFile.tex"}{%
295
                                                      \catcode':=12
296
                                                      \@@input"\AsyFile.tex"\relax
297
298
                                                      \PackageWarning{asymptote}{%
299
300
                                                               file '\AsyFile.\AsyExtension' not found%
301
                                                    }%
                                           }%
302
                                  }%
303
304
                        \fi
305 }
306 \left( \frac{3}{6} \right)
                         \let\ThisAsymptote\WriteGlobalAsyLine
307
                         \ProcessAsymptote{asydef}%
308
309 }
310 \newcommand\asyinclude[2][]{\%
                         \begingroup
311
                         \stepcounter{asy}%
312
313
                         \setkeys{ASYkeys}{#1}%
314
                         \ifASYattach
                                   \ASYinlinefalse
315
                         \fi
316
                         \asy@init
317
                         \immediate\write\AsyPreStream{%
318
                                   \noexpand\InputIfFileExists{%
319
                                            \ASYprefix \\ noexpand \\ jobname-\\ the \\ c@asy.pre \\ \{\}\\ \}\\ \%
320
321
                        }%
                         \asy@write@graphic@header
322
323
                         \IfFileExists{#2.asy}{%
                                   \CatchFileDef\@tempa{#2.asy}{%
324
                                            \label{let_do_makeother} $$ \left( \frac{d}{d} \right) = \frac{d}{d} . $$
325
326
                                            \dospecials
327
                                            \endlinechar=10\relax
328
                                  }%
329
                        }{%
                                   \IfFileExists{#2}{%
330
                                           \label{lem:catchFileDef_0tempa} $$\operatorname{CatchFileDef_0tempa{\#2}{\%}}$
331
                                                      \label{let_do_makeother} $$ \left( \frac{d}{d} \right) = \frac{1}{2} 
332
333
                                                      \dospecials
334
                                                      \endlinechar=10\relax
                                           }%
335
336
337
                                            \PackageWarning{asymptote}{file #2 not found}%
                                           \def\@tempa{}\%
338
339
                                 }%
                        }%
340
```

```
\immediate\write\AsyStream{\unexpanded\expandafter{\@tempa}}%
341
     \asy@finalise@stream
342
     \asy@input@graphic
343
     \endgroup
344
345 }
346 \newcommand{\ASYanimategraphics}[5][]{%
     \IfFileExists{_#3.pdf}{%
       \animategraphics[{#1}]{#2}{_#3}{#4}{#5}%
348
349
     }{}%
350 }
       Keys for graphics processing
 4.9
351 \newcommand\asysetup[1]{\setkeys{ASYkeys}{\#1}}
352 \define@key{ASYkeys}{dir}{%
353
     \def\asydir{#1}%
354 }
355 \def\ASYwidth{}
356 \define@key{ASYkeys}{width}{%
     \edef\ASYwidth{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
359 \def\ASYheight{}
360 \define@key{ASYkeys}{height}{%
     \edef\ASYheight{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
361
362 }
363 \define@key{ASYkeys}{keepAspect}[true]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
365
       {\ASYkeepAspecttrue}
       {\ASYkeepAspectfalse}%
366
367 }
368 \def\ASYviewportwidth{}
369 \define@key{ASYkeys}{viewportwidth}{%
370
     \edef\ASYviewportwidth{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
371 }
372 \def\ASYviewportheight{}
373 \define@key{ASYkeys}{viewportheight}{%
     \edef\ASYviewportheight{\the\dimexpr#1\relax}%
374
375 }
376 \define@key{ASYkeys}{inline}[true]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
378
       {\ASYinlinetrue}
       {\ASYinlinefalse}%
379
380 }
381 \ensuremath{\mbox{\sc ASYkeys}} {attach} [true] {\%}
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{true}}
382
383
       {\ASYattachtrue}
384
       {\ASYattachfalse}%
```

385 }