

# JSXGraph Reference Card

## Include JSXGraph in HTML

Three parts are needed: Include files containing the software, an HTML element, and JavaScript code.

### Include files:

Three files have to be included: `jsxgraph.css`, `jsxgraphcore.js` and either `prototype.js` or `jquery.js`.

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css"
      href="domain/jsxgraph.css"/>
<script type="text/javascript"
      src="domain/prototype.js"></script>
<script type="text/javascript"
      src="domain/jsxgraphcore.js"></script>
```

or

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css"
      href="domain/jsxgraph.css"/>
<script type="text/javascript"
      src="domain/jquery.min.js"></script>
<script type="text/javascript"
      src="domain/jsxgraphcore.js"></script>
```

domain is the location of the files. This can be a local directory or <http://jsxgraph.uni-bayreuth.de/distrib/>

### HTML element containing the construction:

```
<div id="box" class="jxgbox"
      style="width:600px; height:600px;"></div>
```

### JavaScript code:

```
<script type="text/javascript">
  var brd = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('box',{axis:true});
</script>
```

## Initializing the board

```
var brd = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('box',{attributes});
```

– *Attributes of the board*

unitX, unitY:	number of pixels of one unit in $x/y$ -axis direction
originX, originY:	the coordinates of the origin in pixel coordinates
zoomX, zoomY:	zoom factor in $x/y$ -axis direction
zoomfactor:	overall zoom factor in both directions
axis:true/false:	show axes
grid:true/false:	show grid

## Basic commands

```
var el = brd.createElement('type',[parents],[attributes]);
el.setProperty({key1:value1,key2:value2,...});
```

## Point

```
brd.createElement('point',[parents],[attributes]);
```

### Parent elements:

[x,y]	Euclidean coordinates
[z,x,y]	Homogeneous coordinates ( $z$ in first place)
[function(){return p1.X();}, function(){return p2.Y();}]	Functions for $x, y$ , (and $z$ )

### Methods

p.X(), p.Y()	$x$ -coordinate, $y$ -coordinate
p.Z()	(Homogeneous) $z$ -coordinate
p.Distance(q)	Distance from $p$ to point $q$

## Glider

Point on circle, line or curve.

```
brd.createElement('glider',[parents],[attributes]);
```

### Parent elements:

[x,y,c]	Initial coordinates and object to glide on
[c]	Object to glide on (initially at origin)

Coordinates may also be defined by functions, see Point.

## Line

```
brd.createElement('line',[parents],[attributes]);
```

### Parent elements:

[p1,p2]	line through 2 points
[c,a,b]	line defined by 3 coordinates (can also be functions)

In case of coordinates as parents, the line is the set of solutions of the equation  $a \cdot x + b \cdot y + c \cdot z = 0$ .

## Circle

```
brd.createElement('circle',[parents],[attributes]);
```

### Parent elements:

[p1,p2]	2 points: center and point on circle line
[p,r]	center, radius (constant or function)
[p,c],[c,p]	center, circle from which the radius is taken
[p,l],[l,p]	center, line segment for the radius
[p1,p2,p3]	circle through 3 points

## Polygon

```
brd.createElement('polygon',[p1,p2,...],[attributes]);
```

[p1,p2,...] array of points  
The points array connected by line segments and the inner area is filled.

## Group

```
brd.createElement('group',[p1,p2,...],[attributes]);
```

[p1,p2,...] array of points  
Invisible grouping of points. If one point is moved, the others are transformed accordingly.

## Slider

```
var s = brd.createElement('slider',
                          [[a,b],[c,d],[e,f,g]],[atts]);
[a,b],[c,d]: visual start and end position of the slider
[e,f,g]: the slider returns values between  $e$  and  $g$ ,
          the initial position is at value  $f$ 
s.Value(): returns the position of the slider  $\in [e,g]$ 
```

## Curve

– *Function graph*,  $x \mapsto f(x)$ :

```
brd.createElement('functiongraph',[parents],[atts]);
```

### Parent elements:

[function(x){return x*x;},-1,1]	function term optional: start, end
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The other types of curves are defined through:

```
brd.createElement('curve',[parents],[attributes]);
```

### Parent elements:

– *Parameter curve*,  $t \mapsto (f(t), g(t))$ :

```
[function(t){return 5*t;},function(t){return t*t;},0,2]
       $x$  function,  $y$  function, optional: start, end
```

– *Polar curve*:

Defined by the equation  $r = f(\phi)$ .

```
[function(phi){return 5*phi;},[1,2],0,Math.PI]
      Defining function, optional: center, start, end
```

– *Data plot*:

```
[[1,2,3],[4,-2,3]]
      array of  $x$ -coordinates, array of  $y$ -coordinates, or
[[1,2,3],function(x){return x*x;}]
      array of  $x$ -coordinates, function term
```

– *Cubic spline*:

```
brd.createElement('spline',[p1,p2,...],[attributes]);
[p1,p2,...] array of points
```

## Tangent, normal

```
var el = brd.createElement('tangent',[g],[attributes]);
var el = brd.createElement('normal',[g],[attributes]);
g circle, line, polygon, or curve to glide on
```

## Turtle

```
var t = brd.createElement('turtle');
var t = brd.createElement('turtle',[],{attributes});
var t = brd.createElement('turtle',[parents],{atts});
```

The turtle has a position and a direction (in degrees). All angles have to be supplied in degrees.

**Parent elements:**

[x,y,angle]      Optional start values for  $x$ ,  $y$ , and direction

**Methods:**

Most of the methods have an abbreviated alternative version.

```
t.back(len); or t.bk(len);
t.clean();   erase the turtle lines without resetting the turtle
t.clearScreen(); or t.cs();   call t.home() and t.clean()
t.forward(len); t.fd(len);
t.hideTurtle(); or t.ht();
t.home();    Set the turtle to [0,0] and direction to 90.
t.left(angle); or t.lt(angle);
t.lookTo(t2.pos);    Turtle looks to the turtle t2
t.lookTo([x,y]);    Turtle looks to a coordinate pair
t.moveTo([x,y]);    Move the turtle with drawing
t.penDown(); or t.pd();
t.penUp(); or t.pu();
t.popTurtle();    pop turtle status from stack
t.pushTurtle();    push turtle status on stack
t.right(angle); or t.rt(angle);
t.setPos(x,y);    Move the turtle without drawing
t.setPenColor(col); col: colorString, e.g. 'red' or '#ff0000'
t.setPenSize(size);    size: number
t.showTurtle(); or t.st();
```

## Attributes of geometric elements

*Generic attributes:*

strokeWidth:                      number  
strokeColor,fillColor,highlightFillColor,  
highlightStrokeColor,labelColor:      color string  
strokeOpacity,fillOpacity,highlightFillOpacity,  
highlightStrokeOpacity:              value between 0 and 1  
visible,trace,draft:                  true, false  
dash:                              dash style for lines: 0,1,...,6

*Attributes for point elements:*

style:                              point style: 0,1,...,12  
fixed:                              true, false

*Attributes for line elements:*

straightFirst,straightLast,withTicks:true, false

*Attributes for line and arc elements:*

firstArrow,lastArrow:                  true, false

## Text

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## Transform

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## Chart

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## Other geometric elements

– *angle*:                              filled area defined by 3 points  
el = brd.createElement('angle',[A,B,C],{attributes});

– *arc*:                                  circular arc defined by 3 points  
el = brd.createElement('arc',[A,B,C],{attributes});

– *arrow*:                              line through 2 points with arrow head  
el = brd.createElement('arrow',[A,B],{attributes});

– *arrowparallel*:      arrow parallel to arrow  $a$  starting at point  $P$   
el = brd.createElement('arrowparallel',[a,P],{atts});  
el = brd.createElement('arrowparallel',[P,a],{atts});

– *bisector*:                          angular bisector defined by 3 points, returns line  
el = brd.createElement('bisector',[A,B,C],{atts});

– *circumcircle*:                      circle through 3 points (deprecated)  
el = brd.createElement('circumcircle',[A,B,C],{atts});

– *circumcirclemidpoint*:              center of circle through 3 points  
el = brd.createElement('circumcirclemidpoint',[A,B,C]);

– *midpoint*:                          midpoint between 2 points or the 2 points defined by a line  
el = brd.createElement('midpoint',[A,B],{atts});  
el = brd.createElement('midpoint',[line],{atts});

– *mirrorpoint*:                      rotate point  $B$  around point  $A$  by  $180^\circ$   
el = brd.createElement('mirrorpoint',[A,B],{atts});

– *parallel*:                              line parallel to line  $l$  through point  $P$   
el = brd.createElement('parallel',[l,P],{atts});  
el = brd.createElement('parallel',[P,l],{atts});

– *parallepoint*:                      point D such that  $ABCD$  from a parallelogram  
el = brd.createElement('parallepoint',[A,B,C],{atts});

– *perpendicular*:                      line perpendicular to line  $l$  through point  $P$   
el = brd.createElement('perpendicular',[l,P],{atts});  
el = brd.createElement('perpendicular',[P,l],{atts});

– *perpendicularpoint*:                  point defining a perpendicular line to line  $l$  through point  $P$   
el = brd.createElement('perpendicularpoint',[l,P],{});  
el = brd.createElement('perpendicularpoint',[P,l],{});

– *reflection*:                          reflection of point  $P$  over the line  $l$ . Superseded by transformations  
el = brd.createElement('reflection',[l,P],{atts});  
el = brd.createElement('reflection',[P,l],{atts});

– *sector*:                              circle sector defined by 3 points                  ???  
el = brd.createElement('sector',[A,B,C],{atts});

## Mathematical functions

Functions of the intrinsic JavaScript object *Math*:

Math.abs,Math.acos,Math.asin,Math.atan,Math.ceil,  
Math.cos,Math.exp,Math.floor,Math.log,Math.max,  
Math.min,Math.random,Math.sin,Math.sqrt,Math.tan

(number).toFixed(3):      Rounding a number to fixed precision

Additional mathematical functions are methods of JXG.Board.

board.angle(A,B,C)                      angle  $ABC$

board.cosh(x),      board.sinh(x)

board.pow(a,b)                               $a^b$

board.D(f,x)                              compute  $\frac{d}{dx}f$  numerically

board.I([a,b],f)                              compute  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  numerically

board.root(f,x)                              root of the function  $f$ .

board.factorial(n)                              Uses Newton method with start value  $x$   
    computes  $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots n$

board.binomial(n,k)                              computes  $\binom{n}{k}$

board.distance(arr1,arr2)                      Euclidean distance

board.lagrangePolynomial([p1,p2,...])              returns a polynomial through the given points

board.neville([p1,p2,...])      polynomial curve interpolation

– Intersection of objects:

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## Todo list

'axis','image','integral','ticks',

## Links

Help pages are available at <http://jsxgraph.org>