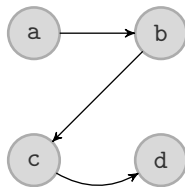


# The argumentation Package

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```
\begin{af}[argumentstyle=gray,namestyle=monospace]
  \argument{a}
  \argument[right=of a1]{b}
  \argument[below=of a1]{c}
  \argument[right=of a3]{d}

  \attack{a1}{a2}
  \attack{a2}{a3}
  \attack[bend right]{a3}{a4}
  \label{af:ex1}
\end{af}
```

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# 1 Quick Guide

To create an argumentation framework in your L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X-document, you first have to import the `argumentation` package in the preamble:

```
\usepackage{argumentation}
```

You can then create a new `af` environment in which the argumentation framework can then be built:

```
\begin{af}  
  <environment contents>  
\end{af}
```

You may want to wrap the `af` environment in a `figure` environment in order to add a caption and reference label. You can add a label inside the `af` environment via `\label{<label>}`. Anywhere in your document, you can then reference the `af` with `\ref{<label>}`.

Inside the `af` environment, you can then add an argument as follows:

```
\argument{<name>}
```

Here, `<name>` is the name of the argument displayed in the graph and the argument is automatically assigned an *identifier* of the form:  $a_1, a_2, \dots$ .

To properly add further arguments, you also need to specify a position. The `argumentation` package offers two easy ways of doing that:

```
\argument[<dir>=of <argId>]{<name>}
```

```
\argument{<name>} at (<posX>,<posY>)
```

The first instance is *relative positioning* where `<dir>` is the direction of placement relative to the argument with the identifier `<argId>`, with `<dir>` typically being one of: right, left, above, below.

The second instance is *absolute positioning* where `(<posX>, <posY>)` is a set of coordinates, for example something like (2, 0), (0, -2) or (-1, 3.5).

The next step is adding attacks. For that you can simply use the following command:

```
\attack{<a1>}{<a2>}
```

Substitute `<a1>` and `<a2>` with the identifier of the two arguments. Alternatively, you can also directly create bidirectional attacks and self-attacks with the following two commands:

```
\dualattack{<a1>}{<a2>}  
\selfattack{<a1>}
```

To customize the look of the arguments and attacks and for a detailed overview over all options and commands provided by this package, please refer to the following example or to the full documentation in Section 3.

## 2 Example Usage

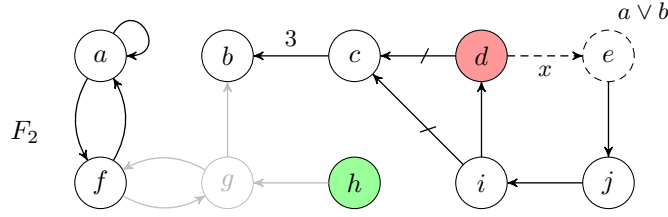


Figure 1: The AF  $F_2$  created with the `argumentation` package.

```

\usepackage[namestyle=math]{argumentation}
...
\begin{document}
...
\begin{figure}[ht]
  \centering
  \begin{af}
    \argument{a}
    \argument[right=of a1]{b}
    \argument[right=of a2]{c}
    \argument[rejected,right=of a3]{d}
    \argument[right=of a4,incomplete]{e}
    \argument[below=of a1]{f}
    \argument[inactive,right=of a6]{g}
    \argument[accepted,right=of a7]{h}
    \argument[right=of a8]{i}
    \argument[right=of a9]{j}

    \annotation[right,yshift=-0.4cm]{a5}{ $a \vee b$ }
    \afname{$F_{\ref{af:ex2}}$} at (-1,-1)

    \selfattack{a1}
    \dualattack{a1}{a6}
    \dualattack[inactive]{a6}{a7}

    \attack[inactive]{a8}{a7}
    \attack[inactive]{a7}{a2}
    \attack{a5}{a10}
    \attack{a10}{a9}
    \attack{a9}{a4}

    \annotatedattack[above]{a3}{a2}{ $\$3\$$ }
    \annotatedattack[below,incomplete]{a4}{a5}{ $\$x\$$ }
    \support{a4}{a3}
    \support{a9}{a3}
    \label{af:ex2}
  \end{af}
  \caption{The AF  $F_{\ref{af:ex2}}$  created with the \argumentation package.}
  \label{fig:example}
\end{figure}
...
\end{document}

```

### 3 Documentation for Version 1.4 [2024/10/31]

The `argumentation` package provides an easy way for creating argumentation frameworks<sup>1</sup> in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ -documents. It builds on the `TikZ` package for drawing the argumentation graphs. The `argumentation` package provides simplified syntax while keeping the same customisation options and keeping full compatibility with all `TikZ` features. In addition to that, the `argumentation` package provides the ability to label and reference the created argumentation frameworks as well as some other additional features.

The `argumentation` package can be imported via the command

```
\usepackage[<options>]{argumentation}
```

In the following, we give an overview over the functionality of the `argumentation` package. Most importantly, that includes the `af` environment to encapsulate the created argumentation frameworks, the command `\argument{ }` to create argument nodes and the `\attack{ }{ }` command to create attack edges. Options to customise the appearance of arguments and attacks are described in Section 4.

#### 3.1 The `af` Environment

The `argumentation` package provides an environment for creating argumentation frameworks in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ -documents.

```
\begin{af} [<options>]  
  <environment contents>  
\end{af}
```

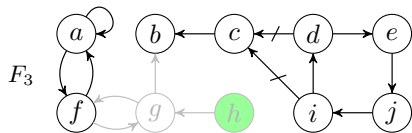
The `af` environment supports referencing. For that add the command `\label{<label>}` anywhere inside an `af` environment. The AFs are automatically numbered in ascending order of occurrence. The `<label>` allows you to reference the corresponding AF via `\ref{<label>}` anywhere in the document.

If you want to create an AF that is excluded from the automatic numbering, the `argumentation` package provides the `af*` version of the environment, which has the same functionality otherwise:

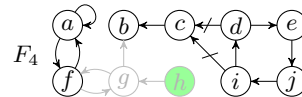
```
\begin{af*} [<options>]  
  <environment contents>  
\end{af*}
```

The `af` (and `af*`) environment also accepts the package style options (see Section 4). Locally set style options override defaults and the values set globally with the package import.

In general, the `af` environment extends the `tikzpicture` environment, meaning all `TikZ` commands and parameters can be used for the `af` environment. The `argumentation` package also provides the options `small` or `tiny` for the `af` environment to create smaller AFs. This is especially useful for two-column layout documents.



(a) An AF created with the `small` option set.



(b) An AF created with the `tiny` option set.

Figure 2: Argumentation frameworks using the `small` and `tiny` option of the `af` environment.

<sup>1</sup>Dung, P. M. (1995). On the acceptability of arguments and its fundamental role in non-monotonic reasoning, logic programming and n-person games. Artificial intelligence.

## 3.2 Creating Arguments

`\argument` [*options*] (*id*) {*name*} at (*posX*),(*posY*)

*options* (optional) a list of TikZ style parameters and/or relative positioning information.

*id* (optional) the identifier of the new argument. Per default, when omitted, arguments will automatically be assigned an identifier of the form: *a1*, *a2*, *a3*, ...

*name* the displayed name of the argument.

*posX*, *posY* (optional) the coordinates where the argument is placed. Must be omitted if relative positioning is used.

### 3.2.1 Positioning

**TODO: rewrite** Placement of argument nodes with the `argumentation` package relies on relative placement via the TikZ-library `positioning`. The relative positioning information is provided as an optional parameter as follows

`\argument` [*dir*=of *argId*] {*name*}

Additionally, you can adjust the horizontal/vertical position of an argument via the options `xshift=v` and `yshift=v`. The value *v* is the horizontal/vertical offset, e. g., `-6.6ex` or `1cm`.

**Example 1** *TODO: Example for creating arguments with different positioning*

**TODO: where to put this?**

### 3.2.2 Additional Argument Styling

Furthermore, you can provide optional parameters to adjust the style of the argument node. For that you can use all TikZ-style options and additionally the following predefined style parameters (Refer to Appendix ?? for a detailed description of these parameters):

<code>inactive</code>	The argument is displayed with grey outline and text.
<code>incomplete</code>	The argument is displayed with a dotted outline.
<code>invisible</code>	The argument node is completely transparent.
<code>accepted</code>	The argument is displayed with green background color.
<code>rejected</code>	The argument is displayed with red background color.
<code>undecided</code>	The argument is displayed with cyan background color.
<code>highlight</code>	The argument is displayed with yellow background color.

## 3.3 Creating Attacks

`\attack` [*options*] {*argId1*} {*argId2*}

*arg1* Identifier of the attacking argument.

*arg2* Identifier of the attacked argument.

`\dualattack` [*options*] {*argId1*} {*argId2*}

*arg1* Identifier of the first argument.

$\langle arg2 \rangle$  Identifier of the second argument.

`\selfattack` [ $\langle options \rangle$ ] { $\langle argId \rangle$ }

$\langle arg1 \rangle$  Identifier of the self-attacking argument.

`\annotatedattack` [ $\langle options \rangle$ ] { $\langle argId1 \rangle$ } { $\langle argId2 \rangle$ } { $\langle value \rangle$ }

$\langle options \rangle$  **TODO: fix** Specifies where the annotation should be placed relative to the attack arrow and should be one of: above, below, left, right.

$\langle arg1 \rangle$  Identifier of the attacking argument.

$\langle arg2 \rangle$  Identifier of the attacked argument.

$\langle value \rangle$  The text that is annotated.

`\support` [ $\langle options \rangle$ ] { $\langle argId1 \rangle$ } { $\langle argId2 \rangle$ }

$\langle arg1 \rangle$  Identifier of the supporting argument.

$\langle arg2 \rangle$  Identifier of the supported argument.

**TODO: where to put this?** To customize an attack you can provide additional optional parameters:

- `inactive` The attack is displayed in grey.
- `incomplete` The attack is displayed with a dotted line.
- `invisible` The attack is completely transparent.
- `selfattack` Use if source and target of the attack are the same node.
- `bend right` The attack arrow is bent to the right.  
Can additionally provide the angle, e.g., `bend right=40`.
- `bend left` The attack arrow is bent to the left. Can also provide an angle.

**Example 2** *TODO: Example for creating attacks (and other edges)*

### 3.4 Beamer

`\afreduct` { $\langle af-label \rangle$ } { $\langle argument list \rangle$ }

`\afrestriction` { $\langle af-label \rangle$ } { $\langle argument list \rangle$ }

`\afextension` { $\langle af-label \rangle$ } { $\langle argument list \rangle$ }

`\aflabeling` { $\langle af-label \rangle$ } { $\langle argument list \rangle$ }

**Example 3** *TODO: Example of all four beamer functions*

### 3.5 Other Commands

`\annotation` [ $\langle options \rangle$ ] { $\langle argId \rangle$ } { $\langle value \rangle$ }

`\afname` [ $\langle options \rangle$ ] (( $\langle id \rangle$ )) { $\langle name \rangle$ } at (( $\langle posX \rangle$ ), ( $\langle posY \rangle$ ))

`\setargumentstyle` { $\langle style parameters \rangle$ }

`\setattackstyle` { $\langle style parameters \rangle$ }

`\setsupportstyle` { $\langle style parameters \rangle$ }

`\setargumentcolorscheme` { $\langle style parameters \rangle$ }

`\setafstyle` { $\langle style parameters \rangle$ }

**Example 4** *TODO: Example of the other commands*

### 3.5.1 Argumentation Macros

**TODO: rewrite** Additionally, the following commands are provided to facilitate referencing argumentation frameworks. To activate them, add the parameter `macros=true` when loading the package. Most importantly the command `\afref{name}` which works like the `ref` command but adds the reference number directly into the index of the `\AF` symbol. You may redefine any of the first four commands if you prefer a different naming scheme for AFs.

<code>\AF</code>	$F$
<code>\arguments</code>	$A$
<code>\attacks</code>	$R$
<code>\AFcomplete</code>	$F = (A, R)$
<code>\afref{af:ex1}</code>	$F_1$
<code>\fullafref{af:ex1}</code>	$F_1 = (A_1, R_1)$

Table 1: Provided macros and their respective output.

## 4 Package Options

The `argumentation` package comes with some package options to customize the appearance of the created argumentation frameworks as well as some additional features. All style package options can both be set globally when importing the package and also locally for each `af` environment. To import the `argumentation` package, use the following command in the preamble of your  $\text{\LaTeX}$ -document:

```
\usepackage[(options)]{argumentation}
```

The following package options are currently available:

**argumentstyle** (default `standard`) Globally sets the appearance of the argument nodes. The `argumentation` package provides five options: `standard`, `large`, `thick`, `gray` and `colored`. Detailed descriptions of these options can be found below.

**attackstyle** (default `standard`) Globally sets the appearance of the attack edges. The package comes with three available options: `standard`, `large` and `modern`. Detailed descriptions of these options can be found below.

**supportstyle** (default `standard`) Globally sets the appearance of the support edges. The package comes with three available options: `standard`, `dashed` and `double`. Detailed descriptions of these options can be found below.

**namestyle** (default `none`) Sets the text formatting applied to the argument names in the document. The package comes with five available options: `none`, `math`, `bold`, `monospace` and `monoemph`. Detailed descriptions of these options can be found below.

**indexing** (default `numeric`) Enables or disables automatic generation of TikZ node-IDs for the created arguments. The available options are: `none`, `numeric` and `alphabetic`. Under the default numeric indexing the generated argument IDs are of the form  $a_1, a_2, \dots$ . With alphabetic indexing the IDs will simply be letters:  $a, b, \dots$ . If `none` is selected, no IDs will be generated and you are required to provide them for each argument via the parameter ( *$\langle id \rangle$* ) of the `\argument` command.

**macros** Boolean (default `false`) When enabled provides additional macros for naming and referencing argumentation frameworks (see Table 1).

**beamer** Boolean (default `false`) When enabled, provides the commands for recreating argumentations frameworks described in Section 3.4.

In the following we give an overview of the different options for the style parameters that can be used to customise the created argumentation frameworks. For the exact definitions of these parameters, refer to Section 5.



**argumentstyle=*<option>***

- standard** Circular argument node with normal size argument name.
- large** Larger font of the argument name.
- thick** Thick black outline and normal size argument name.
- gray** Thick gray outline, light gray background.
- colored** Thick blue outline, light blue background.

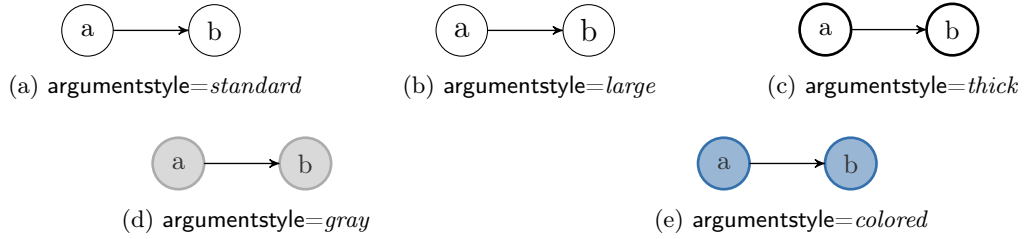


Figure 3: Available options for `argumentstyle`.

**attackstyle=*<option>***

- standard** Standard 'stealth' TikZ arrow tip.
- large** Arrow tip is larger and sharper.
- modern** TikZ ModernCS arrow tip.

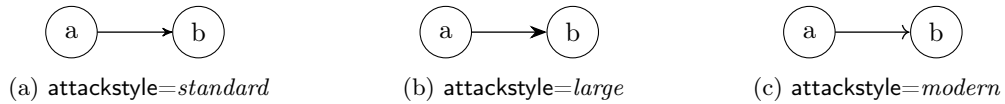


Figure 4: Available options for `attackstyle`.

**supportstyle=*<option>***

- standard** Same tip as attack arrow, perpendicular mark on arrow line.
- dashed** Dashed arrow line and same tip as attack arrow.
- double** Double arrow line and large flat tip.

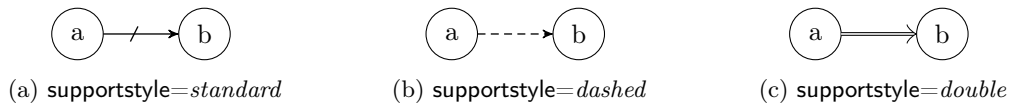


Figure 5: Available options for `supportstyle`. Note that for *standard* and *dashed* the arrow tip of the selected `attackstyle` will be used.

**namestyle**=*<option>*

- none** No effect applied to argument name.
- math** The argument name is rendered as *math* text.  
(name must be given without mathmode).
- bold** The argument name is rendered in **bold**.  
(name must be given without mathmode).
- monospace** The argument name is rendered in **monospace** font.  
(name must be given without mathmode).
- monoemph** The argument name is rendered as *name*.

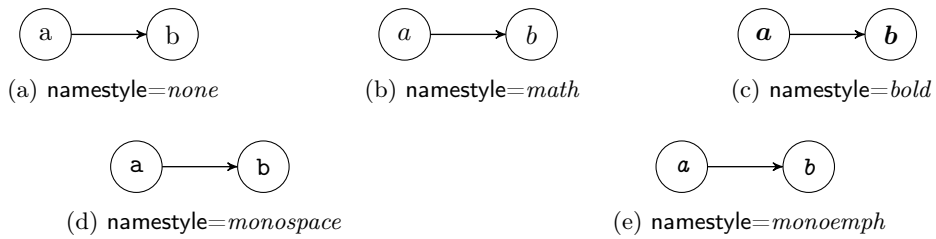


Figure 6: Available options for `namestyle`. You can of course apply any formatting yourself when using the default `namestyle=none`.

## 5 Style Parameter Reference

For reference, the style parameters provided by this package are listed below. You may use or redefine them at your own discretion.

TikZ-keyword	style parameters
argument size	<i>contains the currently selected argument size</i>
argument	<i>contains the currently selected argument style and size</i>
argument standard	circle,inner sep=0,outer sep=0,draw=black
argument large	circle,inner sep=0,outer sep=0,draw=black,font=\large
argument thick	circle,inner sep=0,outer sep=0,draw=black,line width=0.1em
argument gray	argument thick,fill=gray!30,draw=gray!65,text=black!80
argument colored	argument thick,fill=aigblue!40,draw=aigblue!80,text=black!80
attack	<i>contains the currently selected attack style</i>
attack standard	-\stealth'
attack large	-\Stealth[scale=1.25]}
attack modern	-\To[sharp,length=0.65ex,line width=0.05em]}
selfattack	loop,min distance=0.4em,in=0,out=60,looseness=4.5
support	<i>contains the currently selected support style</i>
support standard	attack,postaction={decorate,decoration={...}}
support dashed	attack,densely dashed
support double	-\Classical TikZ Rightarrow},double
inactive	fill=none,draw=gray!50,text=gray!60
incomplete	densely dashed
accepted	fill=green!40
rejected	fill=red!40
undecided	fill=cyan!40
highlight	fill=aigyellow!60
invisible	draw=none,text=black!0,fill=none
standard	node distance=6.6ex,argument size/.style=minimum size=4.5ex, attack width/.style=line width=0.05em
small	node distance=3.5ex,argument size/.style=minimum size=3.4ex, attack width/.style=line width=0.045em
tiny	node distance=2.3ex,argument size/.style=minimum size=2.6ex, attack width/.style=line width=0.03em,font=\small

Table 2: Reference list of TikZ-style parameters provided by the `argumentation` package.

## 6 Version History

### [v1.4 2024/10/31]

- Added functions `\aflabeling`, `\afextension`, `\afreduct` and `\afrestriction` that recreate (parts of) previously created argumentation frameworks. Can be enabled via the package option `beamer=true`.
- Added internal storage of arguments and attacks of an argumentation framework to enable further computations.
- Added environment `af*` for argumentation frameworks that are unlabeled/uncounted.
- Added command `\setargumentcolorscheme{ }{ }` to change color scheme of the colored argument style.
- Added command `\setafstyle{ }` to set global style options for the AFs.
- Added optional parameter (*value*) to `\attack` command to add a label to the attack edge (undocumented for now).
- Major revision of the documentation.
- Various minor changes to internal functions, naming scheme and comments.

### [v1.3 2024/09/25]

- Added support for `\label{ }` and `\ref{ }` to `af` environment.
- Added commands `\AF`, `\arguments`, `\attacks` and `\AFcomplete` to facilitate consistent naming of AFs. Have to be loaded with the package option `macros=true`.
- Added commands `\afref{ }` and `\fullafref{ }` to reference AFs.
- adjusted scaling of nodes and arrows for larger page sizes.
- added new style options for arguments.
- Various minor fixes and changes regarding the `namestyle` package option.

### [v1.2 2024/06/07]

- Changed Syntax of `\argument` command. The *id* parameter is now given inside parenthesis instead of curly braces and is optional.
- Added absolute positioning to `\argument` command, like for *TikZ* nodes.
- Added package option `indexing` to toggle automatic generation of identifiers for created argument nodes. Can be set to *none*, or selected between *alphabetic* and *numeric* (default).
- All package style options can now also be set locally in the `af` environment.
- Adjusted `\annotatedattack` to require position parameter.
- Various minor bugfixes regarding the `namestyle` package option.
- Added new argumentstyle `large`.

### **[v1.1 2023/12/03]**

- Adjusted standard styles.
- Added command for creating annotated attacks.
- Now only provides one environment, which can be parameterised.
- Changed option management to pgfkeys.
- Updated and improved documentation.

### **[v1.0 2023/11/05]**

- First Version.