Workshop on dynamic graphics in JSXGraph

Workshop

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1 Presentation

1.1 Getting support

1.1.1 Information for beginners

- Video tutorial: https://youtu.be/0wQPASnq86Y
- JSXGraph programming book: https://ipesek.github.io/jsxgraphbook/
- JSXGraph wiki https://jsxgraph.org/wiki with many examples together with source code

1.1.2 Information for intermediate / advanced users

- API docs: https://jsxgraph.org/docs/
- Webinar series (7 sessions) in 2020 / 2021: https://jsxgraph.org/wp/docs/
- Conferences talks and workshops (with lots of information about JSXGraph in STACK)
 - 2020: https://jsxgraph.org/conf
 - 2021: https://jsxgraph.org/conf2021
 - 2022: https://jsxgraph.org/conf2022
 - Upcoming 2023: https://jsxgraph.org/conf2023

1.2 Feature tour



All these examples come with source code

- Static plots
- Interactive (dynamic) plots
- Calculus
 - functions
 - Lagrange polynomial

- Taylor polynomial
- curves
- sequences and series
- Riemann sums
- differential equations
- splines
- polygonal chain
- Geometry
 - Euclidean geometry
 - Analytic geometry
 - Projective geometry (offside line in football)
- Statistics:
 - boxplots,
 - Regression I
 - Regression II
- Turtle graphics
- Dynamic MathJax
- Video embedding
- Clipping
- Animations
- 3D
- Upcoming: vector and slope fields

2 Workshop - JSXGraph standalone

2.1 Workshop environment

Recommended development process

- 1) use a text editor (like visual studio code) to create an HTML file and open it in a web browser
- save the file with ending .html
- to open the file in a web browser, click on the file name in the *windows file explorer* or *Mac OS finder*
- or install the open in browser plug-in of visual studio code
- 2) or develop online in jsfiddle
- Click on save to get a permanent URL of the construction. (do not forget to store the URL somewhere)
- A simple example: https://jsfiddle.net/tzsy184q/



Always keep the *web console* (developer tools) open in the web browser to be informed about errors.

2.2 Include JSXGraph - skeleton page

Listing 2.1: How to include JSXGraph

The template file at https://jsfiddle.net/tzsy184q/1/

Alternative locations of JSXGraph:

- Local copy of jsxgraphcore.js and jsxgraph.css (download or npm)
- https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/jsxgraph/distrib/jsxgraphcore.js
- https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/jsxgraph/1.5.0/jsxgraphcore.js



Embedding JSXGraph directly from https://jsxgraph.org/distrib/jsxgraphcore.js is possible but not recommended

There are two essential parts:

1. The HTML element that contains a JSXGraph construction:

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

2. The program logic:

```
<script>
  var board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {boundingbox: [-5, 2, 5, -2]});
</script>
```

2.3 Basic concepts in JavaScript

- JavaScript is embedded with <script> ... </script>
- Syntax is related to C.
- · Data types:

- Boolean (true, false)
- String
- Number (floats and integers are not distinguished)
- Function
- Object, Array
- Strings can be enclosed in '...' or "..."

2.3.1 Variables

Listing 2.2: Declaration of variables

```
var a = 1,
    b, c; // Scope is the surrounding function

let i = 1;
// Scope is the surrounding block
for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    console.log(i, i * i);
}</pre>
```



Using neither var nor let to declare a variable is possible. The variable will then be global. This should be avoided and may be suppressed in some environments.

Put the expression "use strict"; at the beginning of the JavaScript code to be

warned (in the console) about global variables and other problems with JavaScript.

2.3.2 Math functions

Math functions, see https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/Math

Listing 2.3: Math functions

```
console.log(Math.cos(0));
```

2.3.3 Functions

• Functions can be treated like any other variables

```
var square = function(x) {
   return x * x;
}
```

```
var cube = (x) => x * x * x;
console.log(square(3), cube(3));
```

2.3.4 Arrays and objects

· Arrays are zero based

```
var arr = [1, 2, 3, 4];
console.log(arr[0], arr.length);
```

• Objects can be compared to associative arrays in PHP or dictionaries in python.

```
var obj = {
   color: 'green',
   fillColor: 'yellow'
  };
console.log(obj.color, obj['fillColor']);
```

2.3.5 Events

- · JavaScript is event based
- Events can be supplied with eventlistener / eventhandler, see https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/EventTarget/addEventListener
- Available events: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events

```
<button id="mybutton">Click me</button>

document.getElementById('mybutton').addEventListener('click', function(evt) {
   alert('hello');
});
```

2.4 JSXGraph

- Documentation: https://jsxgraph.org/docs/
- Basic example: https://jsfiddle.net/WigandR/hgyz32oe/

2.4.1 The board

```
const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
  boundingbox: [-5, 5, 5, -5],
  axis: true
});
```

2.4.2 Generate a point

2.4.3 More on attributes

Listing 2.4: Local change

```
var p = board.create('point', [2, 2], {showInfobox:false});
```

Listing 2.5: Board wide change

```
board.options.point.showInfobox = false;
var p = board.create('point', [2,2]);
```

Listing 2.6: Page wide change

```
JXG.Options.point.showInfobox = false;

const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
    boundingbox: [-5, 5, 5, -5], axis:true
});
var p = board.create('point', [2, 2]);
```

2.4.4 Some dynamic geometry

· point

https://jsfiddle.net/tzsy184q/3/

- https://jsfiddle.net/tzsy184q/4/
- line, intersections, circle, polygon, clipping

```
fontSize: 32
},
showInfobox: false
});

var li = board.create('line', [p, p2]);
var ci = board.create('circle', [p, p2]);
var p3 = board.create('glider', [0, 3, ci]);

var pol = board.create('polygon', [p, p2, [5, 2], [3, -1]]);
var ci2 = board.create('circle', [[0, -2], 3]);
var fill = board.create('curveintersection', [pol, ci2], {fillColor: 'yellow'})
;

var but = document.getElementById('mybutton');
but.addEventListener('click', function(evt) {
        board.removeObject(p2);
});
```

https://jsfiddle.net/tzsy184q/5/

2.4.5 Using MathJax in JSXGraph

- Add https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/mathjax@3/es5/tex-chtml.js
- Attribute useMathjax:true and double backslash e.g. \\(\\frac{a}{b}\\)

2.4.6 Tangent example

See https://jsfiddle.net/WigandR/hgyz32oe/

```
const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
   boundingbox: [-1, 4, 5, -4],
   keepaspectratio: false,
   axis: true
});

var a = board.create('slider', [
   [0, -2.5],
   [4, -2.5],
   [0, 2, 3]
], {
   name: 'a;'
});

var c = board.create('slider', [
   [0, -3.5],
   [4, -3.5],
   [0, 1, 5]
], {name: 'ω'});
```

```
var fun = function(x) {
   return a.Value() * Math.sin(c.Value() * x );
}

var graph = board.create('functiongraph', [fun, -10, 10], {
   strokeColor: '#00ff00'
});

var p1 = board.create('glider', [0, 0, graph], {name:'P'});
var t = board.create('tangent', [p1]);
```

2.4.7 Math syntax and dynamic MathJax

- If supplied as string, usual math syntax can be used for function terms
- See https://jsfiddle.net/fhx804rv/

```
var board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
    boundingbox: [-5, 5, 8, -5],
     axis: true
});
var a = board.create('slider', [
    [0, -2],
    [5, -2],
    [0, 2, 3]
    name: 'a'
});
var c = board.create('slider', [
    [0, -3],
    [4, -3],
[0, 1, 5]
], {name: 'c'});
var graph = board.create('functiongraph', ['a * sin(c * x)']);
var p1 = board.create('glider', [0.5, 0, graph], {name:'P'});
var t = board.create('tangent', [p1]);
var txt = board.create('text', [-3, 3, function() { return p1.X(); }]);
var txt2 = board.create('text', [-4, -3,
         function() { return 'MathJax: \\(\\frac{\' + p1.X().toFixed(2) + \'}{\' +
              p1.Y().toFixed(2) + '}\\)'; }],
         {useMathjax: true});
```

3 Workshop - JSXGraph in STACK

Two possible assessment questions.

3.1 Move point to given coordinates

- Documentation: https://github.com/maths/moodle-qtype_stack/blob/master/doc/en/Authoring/JSXGraph.md
- question variables:

```
/* Coordinates to be found */
xCoord:rand_with_step(-9,9,1);
yCoord:rand_with_step(-9,9,1);
point:[xCoord,yCoord];

/* Initial coordinates of point */
xCoordinit:rand_with_step(-9,9,1);
yCoordinit:rand_with_step(-9,9,1);
point_init:[xCoordinit,yCoordinit];

ta: [xCoord,yCoord];
```

• question text:

• Question note: {@ta@}

Input ans1:

- Input type: numerical
- Model answer: [xCoordinit, yCoordinit]

Potential response tree:

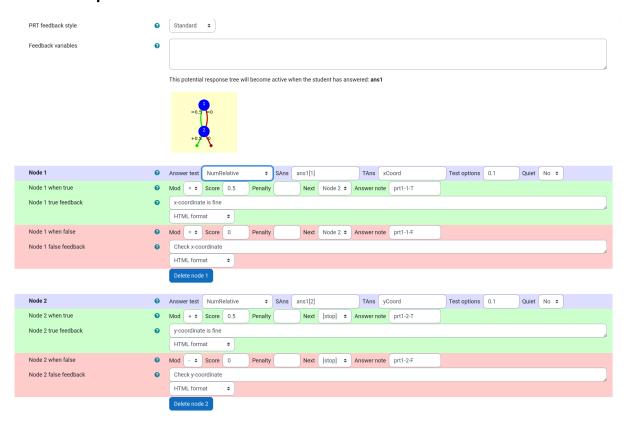


Figure 3.1: Response tree

3.2 Locate stationary point on function graph

• question variables:

```
omega:rand([1/4,1/2,3/4,1,5/4,3/2,7/4,2]);
fun:3*sin(omega*x);
dfundx:diff(fun,x);
```

· question text:

feedback variables: slope:ev(dfundx,x=ans1[1])



Figure 3.2: Response tree