Workshop: Advanced JSXGraph

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Preliminaries

Include JSXGraph

• JSXGraph skeleton page:

```
<!doctype html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title>JSXGraph template</title>
    <meta content="text/html; charset=utf-8" http-equiv="Content-Type">
    <link href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/jsxgraph@1.1.0/distrib/</pre>
       jsxgraph.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
    <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/jsxgraph@1.1.0/distrib/</pre>
       jsxgraphcore.js" type="text/javascript" charset="UTF-8"></script>
    <!-- The next line is optional: MathJax -->
    <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/mathjax@3/es5/tex-chtml.js"</pre>
       id="MathJax-script" async></script>
 </head>
 <body>
 <div id="jxgbox" class="jxgbox" style="width:500px; height:200px;"></div
 <script>
   var board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {boundingbox: [-5, 2, 5,
       -2]});
 </script>
 </body>
</html>
```

See JSXGraph handbook (in development): https://ipesek.github.io/jsxgraphbook/

Axes / Grid

- Grid is mostly obsolete
- axis:true creates default axes.
- There is also the element axis. It allows to create individual axes (in every direction).
- See also Murray Bourne's take on axes and grids: https://www.intmath.com/cg3/jsxgraph-axes-ticks-grids.php
- More information about ticks: https://jsxgraph.org/wiki/index.php/Ticks

Axis element

https://jsfiddle.net/2Lwdxvtf/2/

```
const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
    boundingbox: [-5, 5, 5, -5], axis:false
});
board.create('axis', [[0,0], [0,1]], {
 visible: true,
  scalable: true,
 ticks: {
    type: 'linear',
    visible: true,
    drawZero: true,
    majorHeight: −1,
    minorHeight: 0,
    minorTicks: 0,
    label: {
      visible: true,
      anchorX: 'right',
      anchorY: 'middle',
      fontSize: 12,
      offset: [-6, 0]
    }
 },
  name: 'y',
  withLabel: true,
  label: {
    position: 'rt',
    offset: [-20, -10]
  }
});
```

• The axis looks like a grid by setting:

```
board.create('axis', [[0,0], [0,1]], {
  visible: false,
  ticks: {
    visible: true,
    drawZero: true,
    majorHeight: -1,
    minorHeight: 0,
    minorTicks: 0,
    label: {
     visible: false
    }
}
});
```

Default axes

The default axes which are generated with the attribute axis: **true** can be styled using the board attributes defaultAxes.x and defaultAxes.y:

```
const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
    boundingbox: [-5, 5, 5, -5],
    axis:true,
    defaultAxes: {
        x: {
        ticks: {
            minorTicks: 0
        }
      },
      y: {
        ticks: {
          tickEndings: [1, 1],
            minorTicks: 4
        }
      }
    }
});
```

• See https://jsfiddle.net/7jv9z4Ld/

Non-standard scaling

• The most prominent example here is to have major ticks (and labels) for multiples of π . This can be realized by using the attributes scaleand scaleSymbol, see https://jsfiddle.net/tqf8vwoc/.

```
const board = JXG.JSXGraph.initBoard('jxgbox', {
   boundingbox: [-15, 5, 15, -5],
   axis: true,
   defaultAxes: {
        x: {
        ticks: {
            scale: Math.PI,
            scaleSymbol: '\u03c0',
            ticksDistance: 1,
            insertTicks: false
        }
     }
   }
});
```



The symbol π is generated by using the UTF-16 code 0x03C0 for π in the form \u03c0.

Highlighting of elements

- If the mouse pointer / pen is close to a JSXGraph element, this element will be *highlighted* or can be dragged.
- The precision can be set with the attribute <code>JXG.Options.precision</code>, see https://jsxgraph.org/docs/symbols/JXG.Options.html#.precision.
- Starting from version 1.2.0 the precision can be set individually for every element.
- Among the attributes for highlighting are highlightStrokeWidth, highlightStrokeColor, highlightStrokeOpacity, highlightFill..., highlightCssClass. The latter attribute is for texts and images.

Disable highlighting for specific elements

```
// Turn off highlighting
var line = board.create('line', [[-2, -3], [3, 4]], {highlight: false});
```

See https://jsfiddle.net/ujor4xbf/

Combine a group of elements for highlighting

- Combined highlighting of objects seems to be impossible if triggered from board events.
- However, triggering combined highlighting from outside is possible, see https://jsfiddle.net/92r e5zo6/1/

```
var p1 = board.create('point', [-3, -2]);
var p2 = board.create('point', [-1, 3]);
var p3 = board.create('point', [0, 1]);
var p4 = board.create('point', [2, -2]);
var line = board.create('line', [p1, p3]);
// JXG.Composition
var c = new JXG.Composition({
              p1: p1,
              p2: p2,
              p3: p3,
              p4: p4
         });
function doit(highlight) {
    if (highlight) {
     c.highlight(true);
 } else {
```

```
c.noHighlight();
}
```

• Also possible without Composition element

Groups

- Combine a group of *points* with the element group.
- Then, dragging one point affects the other points, too.
- There are the following special points:
 - translation points: each point is translation point by default
 - scale points
 - rotation points
- · Then there is a
 - scaleCenter
 - rotationCenter
- Centers are given by points, the string 'centroid', or an array with coordinates.

```
var p1 = board.create('point', [-1, -2]);
var p2 = board.create('point', [2, -2]);
var p3 = board.create('point', [2, 2]);
var p4 = board.create('point', [-1, 2]);

var p0 = board.create('polygon', [p1, p2, p3, p4], {fillColor: 'yellow'})
;
var G = board.create('group', [p1, p2, p3, p4]);
G.setRotationCenter(p2).setRotationPoints([p1]);
G.setScaleCenter('centroid').setScalePoints([p3, p4]);
G.setAttribute({size: 8});
```

• See https://jsfiddle.net/jw81koze/1/

How is a construction interpreted?

- Updates a triggered on every pointer move / down / up event.
- All updates run in a single thread.
- Exceptions, where functions are called asynchronously are:

- determine the size of a text element
- animations
- dumpToCanvas
- transitions, see https://jsfiddle.net/jgdwpho8/:

```
var p1 = board.create('point', [-1, -2]);
var p2 = board.create('point', [2, -2]);
var p3 = board.create('point', [2, 2]);
var p4 = board.create('point', [-1, 2]);
var pol = board.create('polygon', [p1, p2, p3, p4], {
    fillColor: 'yellow',
    highlightFillColor: 'blue',
    transitionDuration: 2000,
    hasInnerPoints: true
});
```

• Usually, it is suggested to load MathJax asynchronously. This might lead to problems, if JSXGraph constructions are loaded synchronously.

Accessing elements in one layer

- Elements in one layer are ordered chronological. That means, the last element is on top.
- This may be changed with the attribute dragToTopOfLayer, which places an element on top if dragged.
- See https://jsfiddle.net/y1gf4de8/

Discussion and suggestion of further topics

- Please, make suggestion for a new element vectorfield at https://github.com/jsxgraph/jsxgraph/issues/333
- Topics of the January webinar: new features of v1.2.0
- Alpha blendings of colors: use hex rgba string like '#ff000054' or strokeOpacity: 0.5'.

Next webinar



The next webinar will be Wednesday, January 20th, 2021 at 4 pm CET