JSXGraph: recent developments

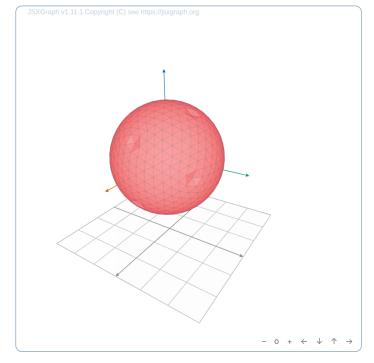
Versions v1.9 - v1.11

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JSXGraph

A few words in advance

- JSXGraph is a low-level, but very powerful JavaScript library
- Parts of the presentation are a bit technical and are directed to advanced users.
- In case, just enjoy the pictures
- Carsten will show prefactored, adaptable assessment examples
- ► There will be a beginners' workshop tomorrow at noon

More information on JSXGraph

- JSXGraph homepage https://jsxgraph.org/
- JSXGraph forum https://forum.jsxgraph.org/
- API reference https://jsxgraph.org/docs

Recent developments

Version history

- First release: 2008
- ► Amberg 2024: v1.8
- Durham 2025: v1.11

Selected topics

- ▶ 3D
- Attribute handling / ARIA
- New Math functionality
- CSS classes

3D support

JSXGraph's 3D rendering

- started in Erasmus+ project IDIAM
- ▶ is programmed from scratch
- is based on 2D graphics with SVG or canvas
- has its limits
- Nevertheless, the results are surprisingly good

New:

- New elements: polyhedron3d, sphere3d, circle3d, intersectionline3d, polygon3d, text3d, ticks3d
- point3d may "glide" on lines and curves
- 3D transformations
- Depth ordering
- Central or parallel projection
- Virtual trackball for 3 degrees of freedom
- Shader
- 3D axes position 'border'

New element polyhedron3d

- ► A *polyhedron* is defined by list of *vertices* and a list of *faces*
 - ► A vertex is an array of coordinates or a point3d
 - A face is defined as a list of vertices, given by index or key
- Faces by vertex keys
- Faces by vertex indices
- Dynamic vertices
- Depth ordering is done "layer-wise"

Shading

- https://jsfiddle.net/z2cj5uLt/
- Subdivided icosahedron

3D transformations

- ➤ 3D transformations are supported for the elements *point3d*, *line3d*, *plane3d*, *curve3d*, *surface3d*, *polyhedron3d*
- ► At the time being, the following transformation types are supported:
 - ▶ translate
 - ▶ scale
 - ▶ rotate
 - ► rotateX
 - rotateY
 - rotateZ
- ► Transformation of surfaces
- ► Transformation of polyhedra

Attribute functions with parameter

Demo example

```
board.create('point', [0, 0], {
   size: (self) => 2 * Math.abs(self.X())
});
```

► Heat map example

ARIA

- ► ARIA: Accessible Rich Internet Applications
- ► ARIA attributes are supported in all JSXGraph elements
- One can supply all attributes starting with aria-
- Example that sets the attribute *aria-label*:

```
var p = board.create('point', [2, 3], {
   name: 'B',
   aria: {
    enabled: true,
    label: (self) => `${self.name} is at ${self.X()} ${self.Y()}`,
    live: 'polite'
   }
});
```

Attention: this feature is for SVG only

Math functionality

otherintersection

Example: elliptic curves group law

Convexity

- Convex hull
- Test for convexity

Statistics

 Checkout the API docs for random number generators for various distributions

Label positioning

Label position on 1-dim objects

CSS classes for all elements

- CSS classes can be added to all JSXGraph elements
- ▶ Before, this was only possible for text elements
- ► This allows the use of SVG filters
- Applications:
 - Accessibility (e.g. color blindness)
 - Improved referencing
 - Fun
- Example (by Carsten Miller)

Let's work together

- ▶ Join the discussion in the new forum at https://forum.jsxgraph.org
- Come to the next JSXGraph online conference at https://jsxgraph.org/conf2025 on 7.-9. October 2025 and share your work

Thank you very much for your attention!