



# JSXGraph: To Numbas and beyond

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# What is JSXGraph



## What is JSXGraph?

- ▶ A JavaScript library developed at Bayreuth University
- ▶ A way of producing interactive graphics in web sites and Numbas
- ▶ Freely available under Creative Commons licence
- ▶ Has an active user community and is well documented
- ▶ Includes it's own scripting language, "JessieCode"

# JSXGraph within Numbas



JSXGraph within Numbas.

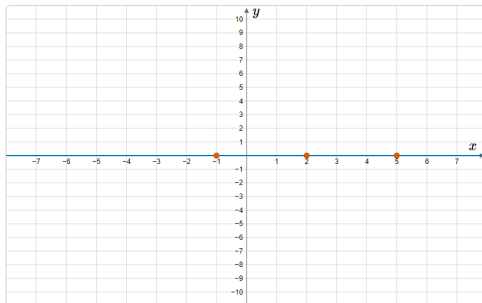
- ▶ Minimises reliance on external systems to generate the interactive elements
- ▶ Integrates with Numbas variables and marking algorithm
- ▶ Faster rendering than extensions relying on external servers
- ▶ Can be integrated with TikZ and other LaTeX graphics packages

# Demo 1



## Basic example

Plot points



Move the points in the number plane above to the points you calculated in the previous part of the question.

- ▶ incorporates user's input in marking algorithm

## Demo 2



### Using variables in JSXGraph elements

```
1 jessiecode(800,500,[-450,(a)+0.5,450,-(a)-0.5],""  
2 yaxis = axis( [0,0],[0,1] ) <<  
3 ticks: <<  
4 tickdistance: 0.5,  
5 insertticks: false  
6 >>,  
7 withLabel: true,  
8 name: '$(\\theta)°',  
9 useMathjax: true,  
10 label: <<position: 'urt', fontSize: 20, offset: [10,-10]>>  
11 >>;  
12  
13 xaxis = axis( [0,0],[1,0] ) <<  
14 ticks: <<  
15 tickdistance: 90,  
16 insertticks: false  
17 >>,  
18 withLabel: true,  
19 name: '$(\\theta)°',  
20 useMathjax: true,  
21 label: <<position: 'urt', fontSize: 20, offset: [-10,10]>>  
22 >>;  
23  
24 functiongraph("function", -450, 450) <<(highlight: false, strokeWidth: 2)>>  
25 ""  
26 [  
27   "axis": false  
28 ]
```

```
1 jessiecode(500,[axesV],[{left},{right},{bottom}],  
2 "aLabel={aLabel};bLabel={bLabel};cLabel={cLabel};ab={ab};bc={bc};XCoordFRA=  
(XCoordFRA);YCoordFRA={YCoordFRA};hMPX={horizontalSideMidpointX};hMPY=  
(horizontalSideMidpointY);vMPX={verticalSideMidpointX};vMPY={verticalSideMidpointY};hypMPX=  
(hypotenuseMidpointX);hypMPY={hypotenuseMidpointY};hAMP=  
(horizontalAngleHorizontalPoint[0]);hAMP1={horizontalAngleHorizontalPoint[1]};hAVP=  
(horizontalAngleVerticalPoint[0]);hAVP1={horizontalAngleVerticalPoint[1]};horizontalLabelPosition=  
(horizontalLabelPosition);verticalLabelPosition={verticalLabelPosition};hypotenuseLabelPositionX=  
(hypotenuseLabelPositionX);hypotenuseLabelPositionY={hypotenuseLabelPositionY};"+safe "" //  
[1,t,r,b]  
3 point(0,0) <<id:'A', fixed: true, snapToGrid: false, withLabel: false, showInBox: false, size:  
0>>;  
4 point(ab,0) <<id:'B', fixed: true, snapToGrid: false, withLabel: false, showInBox: false,  
size: 0>>;  
57 hAngle = function() { if (ab>0) {  
58   if (bc>0) {  
59     return angle(B,A,C) <<name:'x', type:'sector', orthoType:'square', withLabel: true, label:  
<<offset: [10,0], fontSize: 20, color: 'black'>>>;  
60   } else {
```

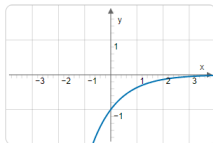
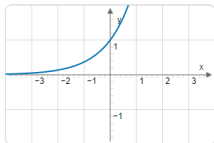
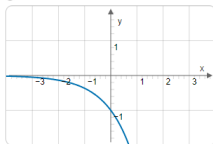
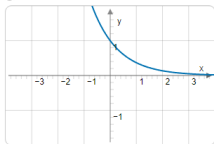
- ▶ Use of variable values in JessieCode – with and without safe mode
- ▶ Uses Numbas variables in graphic

## Demo 3



### Use JSXG as multiple choice options

Which of the following is the graph of  $y = -e^{-x}$ ?

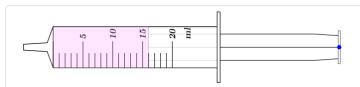


- ▶ JSXGraphics created as functions not Numbas variables

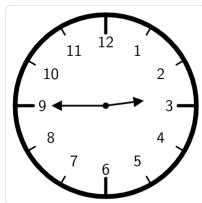
## Demo 4



### TikZ and JSXGraph



You are due to attend a meeting at 1530. As you enter the building you notice the clock below (note that it is afternoon)



By how many hours and minutes are you early or late for the meeting?

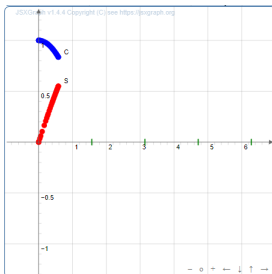
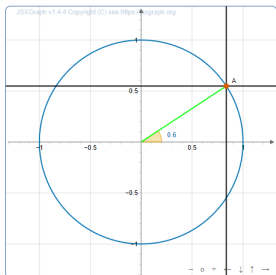
You are  hours and  minutes  for the meeting.

- ▶ Use LaTeX+TikZ to generate svgs, embedded in Numbas and coordinate systems can be synched
- ▶ Static complex graphics as svg not generated by JSXGraph

## Demo 5



### JSXGraph in web page



- ▶ JSXGraph object embedded in web page via iFrame
- ▶ Interactivity across two boards



**Thank you**

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