

# How to write JSXGraph source code

## API docs

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1  /**
2   * @class Midpoint of two points.
3   * @pseudo
4   * @description A midpoint is given by two points. It is collinear to the given points and
5   * is the same to each of the given points, i.e. it is in the middle of the given points.
6   * @constructor
7   * @name Midpoint
8   * @type JXG.Point
9   * @augments JXG.Point
10  * @throws {Error} If the element cannot be constructed with the given parent objects an ex
11  * @param {JXG.Point|JXG.Point} p1,p2 The constructed point will be in the middle of p1 and
12  * @param {JXG.Line} l The midpoint will be in the middle of {@link JXG.Line#point1} and {
13  * the given line l.
14  */

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## Method createElement

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1  JXG.createElement = function (board, parents, attributes) {
2      var a, b, t, i, attr;
3
4      for (i = 0; i < parents.length; ++i) {
5          parents[i] = board.select(parents[i]);
6      }
7      if (
8          parents.length === 2 &&
9          Type.isPointType(board, parents[0]) &&
10         Type.isPointType(board, parents[1])
11     ) {
12         parents = Type.providePoints(board, parents, attributes, "point");
13         a = parents[0];
14         b = parents[1];
15     } else if (parents.length === 1 && parents[0].elementClass === Const.OBJECT_CLASS_LINE)
16     a = parents[0].point1;
17     b = parents[0].point2;
18 } else {
19     throw new Error(
20         "JSXGraph: Can't create midpoint." +
21         "\nPossible parent types: [point,point], [line]"
22     );
23 }
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25     attr = Type.copyAttributes(attributes, board.options, "midpoint");
26     /**
27      * @type JXG.Element
28      * @ignore
29      */
30     t = board.create(
31         "point",
32         [
33             function () {
34                 var x = a.coords usrCoords[1] + b.coords usrCoords[1];
35                 if (
36                     isNaN(x) ||
37                     Math.abs(a.coords usrCoords[0]) < Mat.eps ||
38                     Math.abs(b.coords usrCoords[0]) < Mat.eps
39                 ) {
40                     return NaN;
41                 }
42
43                 return x * 0.5;
44             },
45             function () {
46                 var y = a.coords usrCoords[2] + b.coords usrCoords[2];
47                 if (
48                     isNaN(y) ||
49                     Math.abs(a.coords usrCoords[0]) < Mat.eps ||
50                     Math.abs(b.coords usrCoords[0]) < Mat.eps
51                 ) {
52                     return NaN;
53                 }
54
55                 return y * 0.5;
56             }
57         ],
58         attr
59     );
60     if (Type.exists(a._is_new)) {
61         t.addChild(a);
62         delete a._is_new;
63     } else {
64         a.addChild(t);
65     }
66     if (Type.exists(b._is_new)) {
67         t.addChild(b);
68         delete b._is_new;
69     } else {
70         b.addChild(t);

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71     }
72
73     t.elType = "midpoint";
74     t.setParents([a.id, b.id]);
75
76     t.prepareUpdate().update();
77
78     /**
79      * Used to generate a polynomial for the midpoint.
80      * @name Midpoint#generatePolynomial
81      * @returns {Array} An array containing the generated polynomial.
82      * @private
83      * @function
84      * @ignore
85      */
86     t.generatePolynomial = function () {
87         /*
88          * Midpoint takes two point A and B or line L (with points P and Q) and creates po
89          *
90          * L (not necessarily)
91          * -----x-----x-----x-----
92          *           A (a1,a2)           T (t1,t2)           B (b1,b2)
93          *
94          * So we have two conditions:
95          *
96          * (a) AT || TB           (collinearity condition)
97          * (b) [AT] == [TB]         (equidistant condition)
98          *
99          *   a2-t2      t2-b2
100          *   ----- = -----
101          *   a1-t1      t1-b1
102          *
103          *   (a1 - t1)^2 + (a2 - t2)^2 = (b1 - t1)^2 + (b2 - t2)^2
104          *
105          *
106          * Multiplying (1) with denominators and simplifying (1) and (2) gives
107          *
108          *   a2t1 - a2b1 + t2b1 - a1t2 + a1b2 - t1b2 = 0
109          *
110          *   a1^2 - 2a1t1 + a2^2 - 2a2t2 - b1^2 + 2b1t1 - b2^2 + 2b2t2 = 0
111          *
112          */
113     var a1 = a.symbolic.x,
114         a2 = a.symbolic.y,
115         b1 = b.symbolic.x,
116         b2 = b.symbolic.y,

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117     t1 = t.symbolic.x,
118     t2 = t.symbolic.y,
119     poly1 = "(" + a2 + ")*( " + t1 + ")-(" + a2 + ")*( " + b1 + ")+(" + t2 + ")*(" +
120           ")-(" + t1 + ")*(" + b2 + ")",
121     poly2 = "(" + a1 + ")^2 - 2*(" + a1 + ")*(" + t1 + ")+(" + a2 + ")^2-2*(" + a2 +
122           ")-(" + b2 + ")^2+2*(" + b2 + ")*(" + t2 + ");"
123
124     return [poly1, poly2];
125   };
126
127   return t;
128 }

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