

# The `astra` package\*

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## 1 Introduction

This package provides macros used for the ASTRA Group on Constraint Programming’s in-house publication style.

## 2 Usage

Some expressions for use in math environments are defined in section 4.1.

`\Keyword` Keywords in models and algorithms can be typeset with `\Keyword{<kywd>}`, and by default are typeset in boldface (**kywd**). For a list of predefined keywords, see section 4.3.

`\newKeyword` New keywords can be defined with `\newKeyword{<command>}{<output>}`. For example, `\newKeyword{\foo}{bar}` defines the macro `\foo`, which will be typeset as **bar**. If you need to define a keyword that takes arguments, you’ll need to use `\newcommand`. For example, if you want the command `\foo2{some}{thing}` to be typeset as “some **bar** thing”, you could add to your preamble:

```
\newcommand{\foo2}[2]{#1~\Keyword{bar}~#2}
```

`\Constraint` Constraints typeset using `\Constraint {<ConstName>}` look like this: CONST-NAME. For a list of predefined constraints (such as ALLDIFF, LINEAR, etc.), see section 4.2.

`\todo` The `\todo` macro inserts a highlighted note if the package was called with the `todo` option. Otherwise, text in `\todo` is ignored. `\todo{Make text redder!}` looks like this:

**To do: Make text redder!**

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`\AstraLogo` You can insert the ASTRA logo with the macro `\AstraLogo`. It uses `tikz` to draw the logo, and takes a single optional parameter: the scale of the drawing. The default is 0.75.

`\handpoint` These macros generate some dingbats:  
`\tick` ☞, ✓, X.  
`\notick`

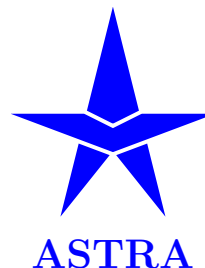


Figure 1: The ASTRA logo at 0.75 scale.

### 3 Options

**todo** Text in `\todo{}` macros will be displayed, with an indicator that it is a todo. Without this option, `\todo` text is not printed. **To do: Consider using `marginpars` for this.**

**noalg** Prevents the package from loading the `algorithm` and `algorithmic` packages (in case you prefer another package, or just want to control the options).

**alg2e** Tells `astra` that you will use `algorithm2e` for algorithm typesetting. If **noalg** is also passed, then this option only affects the way certain commands are defined; without the **noalg** option, **alg2e** loads `algorithm2e` with the **boxed** and **noend** options.

**nohyperref** Prevents the package from loading `hyperref`.

**xetex** Lets `astra` know you are using XeTeX or XeLaTeX as your typesetting engine. The package will then load `polyglossia` instead of `babel`, and will define special characters based on unicode numbers instead of using `pifont`. Default is to use Zapf Dingbats for dingbat characters; if you prefer another unicode symbol font, specify it in your preamble like this:

```
\newfontfamily{\astrading}{Arial Unicode MS}
```

`\IsAssigned` **gets, coloneqq** Choose to use ‘gets’ ( $\leftarrow$ ) or ‘colon equals’ ( $:=$ ) when indicating variable assignment with the `\IsAssigned` macro. Default option is **gets**.

### 4 Implementation

```
1 \newif\ifastra@todo
2 \DeclareOption{todo}{\@astra@todotrue}
3 \newif\ifastra@xetex
4 \DeclareOption{xetex}{\@astra@xetetrue}
5 \newif\ifastra@alg
6 \newif\ifastra@algiie
7 \DeclareOption{alg}{\@astra@algtrue}
8 \DeclareOption{noalg}{\@astra@algfalse}
9 \DeclareOption{alg2e}{\@astra@algiietrue}
```

```

10 \newif\if@astra@hyperref
11 \DeclareOption{hyperref}{\@astra@hyperreftrue}
12 \DeclareOption{nohyperref}{\@astra@hyperreffalse}
13 \newif\if@astra@gets
14 \DeclareOption{gets}{\@astra@getstrue}
15 \DeclareOption{coloneqq}{\@astra@getsfalse}
16 \DeclareOption*{\PackageWarning{astra}{Unknown option '\CurrentOption'}}
17 \ExecuteOptions{alg,hyperref,gets}
18 \ProcessOptions\relax
19
20 \if@astra@alg
21 \if@astra@algiie
22 \RequirePackage[boxed,noend]{algorithm2e}
23 \else
24 \RequirePackage[boxed]{algorithm}
25 \RequirePackage[noend]{algorithmic} % drop [noend] if endif, endwhile, etc wanted
26 \renewcommand{\algorithmiccomment}[1]{\hfill // #1}
27 \fi
28 \fi
29 \RequirePackage{alltt}
30 \RequirePackage{amsmath}
31 \RequirePackage{amssymb}
32 %\RequirePackage{amsthm} \newtheorem{notation}{Notation}
33 \if@astra@xetex
34 \RequirePackage{xkeyval} % omitted dependency in polyglossia as of 2011/09/20
35 \RequirePackage{polyglossia}
36 \setdefaultlanguage[variant=uk]{english}
37 \defaultfontfeatures{Mapping=tex-text}
38 \newfontinstance\astrading{Zapf Dingbats}
39 \newcommand{\handpoint}{\astrading\char"261E}
40 \newcommand{\tick}{\astrading\char"2713}
41 \newcommand{\notick}{\astrading\char"2717}
42 \else
43 \RequirePackage[british]{babel}
44 %% Fancy characters:
45 \RequirePackage{pifont}
46 %%\newcommand{\scissors}{\ding{36}}
47 %%\newcommand{\phone}{\ding{37}}
48 %%\newcommand{\aircraft}{\ding{40}}
49 %%\newcommand{\envelope}{\ding{41}}
50 \newcommand{\handpoint}{\ding{43}}
51 %%\newcommand{\victory}{\ding{44}}
52 %%\newcommand{\handwrite}{\ding{45}}
53 \newcommand{\tick}{\ding{51}}
54 \newcommand{\notick}{\ding{55}}
55 \fi
56 \RequirePackage{color}
57 %%\RequirePackage{float}
58 \RequirePackage{graphicx}
59 %%\RequirePackage{grffile} % allows spaces in filenames

```

```

60 \RequirePackage{mathtools} \mathtoolsset{showonlyrefs,showmanualtags}
61 \RequirePackage{multicol}
62 \RequirePackage{multirow}
63 \RequirePackage{rotating}
64 \RequirePackage{tikz} \usetikzlibrary{trees}
65 \if@astra@hyperref
66 \RequirePackage{hyperref} % should always be the last package
67 \fi
68
69
70

```

`\AstraLogo` Uses tikz to draw the ASTRA logo. Optional parameter is a scaling factor; 0.75 is the default and results in a nice size for most applications. The font will depend on your document defaults (would like to fix this in future versions; suggestions welcome).

```

71 \tikzstyle{AstraFont}=[font=\huge\bfseries]
72 \newcommand{\AstraLogo}[1][0.75]{%
73 \scalebox{#1}{%
74 \begin{tikzpicture}[fill=blue,draw=white,line width=2pt]
75 %\draw [help lines] (0,0) grid (4,5);
76 \filldraw (0,5) -- (-1,1) -- (0,2.25) -- (1, 1) -- cycle;
77 \filldraw (-2,3) -- (-.5,3) -- (0,2.75) -- (.5,3) -- (2,3) -- (0,2.25) -- cycle;
78 \node[text=blue,AstraFont] at (0,.5) {ASTRA};
79 \end{tikzpicture}%
80 }%
81 }

```

`\blue` Colours (use sparingly!):

```

\green
\red
82 \newcommand{\blue}[1]{\color{blue}#1}
83 \newcommand{\green}[1]{\color{Green}#1}
84 \newcommand{\red}[1]{\color{red}#1}

```

`\todo` Only visible if the todo option is used.

```

85 \if@astra@todo
86 \newcommand{\todo}[1]{\red{To do: #1}}
87 \else
88 \newcommand{\todo}[1]{ }
89 \fi

```

`\marginpar` Improve the look of the built-in `\marginpar` macro a bit...

```

90 \let\oldmarginpar\marginpar
91 \renewcommand\marginpar[1]{\-\oldmarginpar[\raggedleft\footnotesize #1]%
92 {\raggedright\footnotesize #1}}

```

## 4.1 Mathematics

```
93 \newcommand{\Keyword}[1]{\textbf{#1}}
94 \newcommand{\newKeyword}[2]{\newcommand{#1}{\Keyword{#2}}}
95 %\if@astra@algiie

96 %\renewcommand{\newKeyword}[2]{\SetKwData{#1}{#2}}
97 %\SetDataSty{\textbf}
98 %\fi
99 %% Mathematics
100 \newcommand{\Cardinality}[1]{\left\lvert\!#1\right\rvert}
101 %\newcommand{\Cardinality}[1]{\##1}
102 \newcommand{\Ceiling}[1]{\left\lceil\!#1\right\rceil}
103 \if@astra@algiie
104 \else
105 \newKeyword{\Else}{~else~}
106 \newKeyword{\False}{false}
107 \newKeyword{\If}{if~}
108 \fi
109 \newcommand{\Floor}[1]{\left\lfloor\!#1\right\rfloor}
110 \newcommand{\GeqLex}{\geq\_Lex}
111 \newcommand{\If}{\Leftrightarrow}
112 \newcommand{\IfThenElse}[3]{\If#1\Then#2\Else#3}
113 \newcommand{\Implies}{\Rightarrow}
114 \newcommand{\Inter}{\cap}
115 \newcommand{\LeqLex}{\leq\_Lex}
116 \newcommand{\Let}[2]{\Keyword{let~}#1\In#2}
117 \newcommand{\Lex}{\text{lex}}
118 \newcommand{\LtLex}{<\_Lex}
119 \newcommand{\Oh}[1]{\mathcal{O}\left(\!#1\right)}
120 \newKeyword{\Select}{select}
121 \newcommand{\Sequence}[1]{left[#1\right]}
122 \newcommand{\Set}[1]{left\{#1\right\}}
123 \newcommand{\SetComp}[2]{\Set{#1}\SuchThat#2}}
124 \newcommand{\SuchThat}{\mid}
125 \newKeyword{\Then}{~then~}
126 \newKeyword{\True}{true}
127 \newcommand{\Tuple}[1]{\left\langle\!#1\right\rangle}
128 \newcommand{\Union}{\cup}
```

## 4.2 CP

```
129 %% CP
130 \newcommand{\AllDiff}{\Constraint{AllDiff}}
131 \newcommand{\AllDifferent}{\Constraint{AllDifferent}}
132 \newcommand{\AllEqual}{\Constraint{AllEqual}}
133 \newcommand{\AtLeast}{\Constraint{AtLeast}}
134 \newcommand{\AtMost}{\Constraint{AtMost}}
135 \newcommand{\Constraint}[1]{\textsc{#1}}
136 \newcommand{\Cumulative}{\Constraint{Cumulative}}
```

```

137 \newcommand{\Distinct}{\Constraint{Distinct}}
138 \newcommand{\Domain}[1]{\text{dom}(#1)}
139 \newcommand{\Element}{\Constraint{Element}}
140 \newcommand{\GlobalCardinality}{\Constraint{GCC}}
141 \newcommand{\HigherOrder}[1]{\red{\left[{\color{black}#1}\right]}} % Iverson bracket
142 \newcommand{\Inequalities}{\Constraint{Inequalities}}
143 \newcommand{\IntValuePrecedeChain}{\Constraint{IntValuePrecedeChain}}
144 \newcommand{\Linear}{\Constraint{Linear}}
145 \newcommand{\NbDistinct}{\Constraint{NbDistinct}}
146 \newcommand{\Reifies}[2]{#1\Lefttrightarrow#2}
147 \newcommand{\Sum}{\Constraint{Sum}}
148 \newcommand{\Variables}[1]{\text{var}(#1)}

```

### 4.3 Modelling & Algorithms

```

149 %% Modelling & Algorithms
150 \if@astra@algiie
151 \else
152 \renewcommand{\algorithmicendfor}{\Keyword{end try}}
153 \renewcommand{\algorithmicforall}{\Keyword{try all}}
154 \fi
155 \newKeyword{\Array}{array}
156 \newKeyword{\Boolean}{boolean}
157 \newcommand{\Count}[2]{\Keyword{count}(#1)~#2}
158 \newKeyword{\Constant}{cst~}
159 \newKeyword{\EndIf}{~end~if}
160 %%\newcommand{\Endtry}{\Keyword{end try}}
161 \newcommand{\Endtry}{\ENDFOR}
162 \newKeyword{\Exists}{exists~} % text variant: do not use in models!
163 %%\newcommand{\Exists}{\exists} % math variant: do not use in models!
164 \if@astra@algiie
165 \else
166 \newKeyword{\ForAll}{for~all~} % text variant
167 \fi
168 %%\newcommand{\ForAll}{\forall} % math variant
169 \newKeyword{\Function}{function~}
170 \newcommand{\IfThen}[2]{\If#1\Then#2\EndIf}
171 \newKeyword{\In}{~in~} % text variant
172 %%\newcommand{\In}{\in} % math variant
173 \newKeyword{\Integer}{int}
174 \newcommand{\Invariant}[1]{\Keyword{invariant:} #1}
175 \if@astra@gets
176 \newcommand{\IsAssigned}{\ensuremath{\gets}}
177 \else
178 \newcommand{\IsAssigned}{\ensuremath{\coloneqq}}
179 \fi
180 \newKeyword{\Of}{~of~}
181 \newKeyword{\Maximise}{maximise}
182 \newKeyword{\Minimise}{minimise}

```

```

183 \newcommand{\PostCond}[1]{\Keyword{post:} #1}
184 \newcommand{\PreCond}[1]{\Keyword{pre:} #1}
185 \newKeyword{\Procedure}{procedure~}
186 \newKeyword{\SetDecl}{set~}
187 \newKeyword{\SetOf}{setof}
188 \newKeyword{\Size}{size}
189 \newKeyword{\Solve}{solve}
190 \newcommand{\SUM}[3]{\Keyword{sum}(\#1)~\#3} % text variant, ignores #2
191 %%\newcommand{\SUM}[3]{\displaystyle\sum_{\#1}^{\#2} \#3} % math variant
192 %\newcommand{\Try}[1]{\STATE {\Keyword{try}~\#1}}
193 %\newcommand{\Tryall}{\Keyword{try all}}
194 \newcommand{\Tryall}{\FORALL}
195 \newKeyword{\Var}{var~}
196 \newcommand{\Variant}[1]{\Keyword{variant:} #1}

```

## Change History

v1.0	General: Initial version (based on macros.tex) . . . . . 1	v1.3	General: Added showmanualtags option to mathtools package. 1, 4
v1.1	General: Added support for algorithm2e . . . . . 1	v1.4	General: Fixed the case of a couple alg2e 'set' commands. . . . . 1
v1.2	General: Removed <b>stressed</b> from macros. . . . . 1		Temporarily disabling alg2e specific keyword macros . . . . . 5

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