typst-theorems

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1. Introduction

The `typst-theorems` package provides Typst functions that help create numbered `theorem` environments. This is heavily inspired by the `\newtheorem` functionality of LaTeX.

A *theorem environment* lets you wrap content together with automatically updating *numbering* information. Such environments use internal `state` counters for this purpose. Environments can

- share the same counter (*Theorems* and *Lemmas* often do so)
- keep a global count, or be attached to
  - other environments (*Corollaries* are often numbered based upon the parent *Theorem*)
  - headings
- have a numbering level depth fixed (for instance, use only top level heading numbers)
- be referenced elsewhere in the document, via `labels`

2. Using `typst-theorems`

Import all functions provided by `typst-theorems` using

```
#import "theorems.typ": *
#show: thm-rules
```

The second line is crucial for displaying `thm-env`s and references correctly!

The core of this module consists of `thm-env`. The functions `thm-plain`, `thm-def`, `thm-rem`, and `thm-proof` functions provide some simple defaults for the appearance of `thm-env`s.

3. Feature demonstration

Create box-like *theorem environments* using `thm-plain`, a wrapper around `thm-env` which provides some simple defaults.

```
#let theorem = thm-plain("Theorem")
```

Such definitions are convenient to place in the preamble or a template; use the environment in your document via

```#theorem("Euclid")[` ` There are infinitely many primes.` `] <euclid>```	**Theorem 3.1** (Euclid). *There are infinitely many primes.*

Note that the `name` is optional. This `theorem` environment will be numbered based on its parent `heading` counter, with successive `theorem`s automatically updating the final index.

The `<euclid>` label can be used to refer to this Theorem via the reference `@euclid`. Go to Section 3.5 to read more.

You can create another environment which uses the same counter, say for *Lemmas*, as follows.

```
#let lemma = thm-plain(
  "Lemma",                // head
  counter: "Theorem",     // same as that of Theorem
                          // options for styling the block
  fill: rgb("#e8e8f8"),
  outset: 0.7em,
  padding: (y: 0.5em)
)
```

Note that the counter for `theorem` defaulted to 'Theorem'.

```#lemma[` ` If n divides both x and y, it` ` also divides $x - y$.` `]```	**Lemma 3.2.** *If n divides both x and y, it also divides $x - y$.*

You can *attach* other environments to ones defined earlier. For instance, *Corollaries* can be created as follows.

```
#let corollary = thm-plain(
  "Corollary",            // head
  base: "Theorem",        // base - use the theorem counter
)
```

```#corollary(numbering: "1.1")[` ` If n divides two consecutive natural` ` numbers, then $n = 1$.` `]```	**Corollary 3.2.1.** *If n divides two consecutive natural numbers, then $n = 1$.*

Note that we have provided a `numbering` string; this can be any valid numbering pattern as described in the [numbering](#) documentation.

3.1. Proofs

The `thm-proof` function gives nicer defaults for formatting proofs.

```
#let proof = thm-proof("Proof")
```

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```
#proof([of @euclid])[
  Suppose to the contrary that $p_1,
  p_2, dots, p_n$ is a finite
  enumeration of all primes. Set $P
  = p_1 p_2 dots p_n$. Since $P + 1$
  is not in our list, it cannot be
  prime. Thus, some prime factor
  $p_j$ divides $P + 1$. Since $p_j$
  also divides $P$, it must divide
  the difference $(P + 1) - P = 1$, a
  contradiction.
]
```

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Proof of [Theorem 3.1](#). Suppose to the contrary that $p_1, p_2, ..., p_n$ is a finite enumeration of all primes. Set $P = p_1 p_2 ... p_n$. Since $P + 1$ is not in our list, it cannot be prime. Thus, some prime factor p_j divides $P + 1$. Since p_j also divides P, it must divide the difference $(P + 1) - P = 1$, a contradiction. ∎

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If your proof ends in a block equation, or a list/enum, you can place `qedhere` to correctly position the qed symbol.

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```
#theorem[
  There are arbitrarily long stretches
  of composite numbers.
]
#proof[
  For any $n > 2$, consider $
    n! + 2, quad n! + 3, quad ...,
    quad n! + n #qedhere
  $
]
```

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Theorem 3.1.1. *There are arbitrarily long stretches of composite numbers.*

Proof. For any $n > 2$, consider

$$n! + 2, \quad n! + 3, \quad ..., \quad n! + n \qquad ∎$$

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Caution: The `qedhere` symbol does not play well with numbered/multiline equations!

You can set a custom qed symbol (say □) by setting the appropriate option in `thm-rules` as follows.

```
#show: thm-rules.with(qed-symbol: $square$)
```

3.2. Suppressing numbering

Supplying `numbering: none` suppresses numbering for that environment, and prevents it from updating its counter.

```
#let conjecture = thm-plain(
  "Conjecture",
  numbering: none
)
```

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```
#conjecture[
  The numbers $2$, $3$, and $17$ are
  prime.
]
```

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Conjecture. *The numbers* 2, 3, *and* 17 *are prime.*

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You can also suppress numbering individually, as follows.

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```
#lemma(numbering: none)[
  The square of any even number is
  divisible by $4$.
]
#lemma[
  The square of any odd number is one
  more than a multiple of $4$.
]
```

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Lemma. *The square of any even number is divisible by* 4.

Lemma 3.2.1. *The square of any odd number is one more than a multiple of* 4.

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Note that the last *Lemma* is *not* numbered 3.2.2!

You can also override the automatic numbering as follows.

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```
#lemma(number: "42")[
  The square of any natural number cannot
be two more than a multiple of 4.
]
```

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Lemma 42. *The square of any natural number cannot be two more than a multiple of 4.*

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Note that this does *not* affect the counters either!

3.3. Limiting depth

You can limit the number of levels of the base numbering used as follows.

```
#let definition = thm-def(
  "Definition",
  base_level: 1          // take only the first level from the base
)
```

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```
#definition("Prime numbers")[
  A natural number is called a _prime
  number_ if it is greater than $1$ and
  cannot be written as the product of
  two smaller natural numbers.
] <prime>
```

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Definition 3.1 (Prime numbers)**.** A natural number is called a *prime number* if it is greater than 1 and cannot be written as the product of two smaller natural numbers.

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Note that this environment is *not* numbered 3.3.1! Here we have used the thm-def function which is typically used for styling definitions.

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```
#definition("Composite numbers")[
  A natural number is called a
  _composite number_ if it is greater
  than $1$ and not prime.
]
```

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Definition 3.2 (Composite numbers)**.** A natural number is called a *composite number* if it is greater than 1 and not prime.

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Setting a `base_level` higher than what `base` provides will introduce padded zeroes.

```
#let example = thm-rem(
  "Example",
  numbering: "1.1"
)
```

`#example(base_level: 4)[`
`  The numbers $4$, $6$, and $42$`
`  are composite.`
`]`
	Example 3.3.0.0.1. The numbers 4, 6, and 42 are composite.

Here, we have used the `thm-rem` function which suppresses numbering by default.

3.4. Custom formatting

The `thm-box` function (and its derivatives: `thm-plain`, `thm-def`, `thm-rem`, `thm-proof`) lets you specify rules for formatting the `title`, the `name`, and the `body` individually. Here, the `title` refers to the `head` and `number` together.

```
#let proof-custom = thm-box(
  "Proof",
  titlefmt: smallcaps,
  bodyfmt: body => [
    #body #h(1fr) $square$    // float a QED symbol to the right
  ],
  numbering: none
)
```

`#lemma[`
`  All even natural numbers greater than`
`  2 are composite.`
`]`
`#proof-custom[`
`  Every even natural number $n$ can be`
`  written as the product of the natural`
`  numbers $2$ and $n\/2$. When $n > 2$,`
`  both of these are smaller than $2$`
`  itself.`
`]`
	Lemma 3.4.1. *All even natural numbers greater than 2 are composite.*
	
	PROOF. Every even natural number n can be written as the product of the natural numbers 2 and $n/2$. When $n > 2$, both of these are smaller than 2 itself. □

You can go even further and use the `thm-env` function directly. It accepts an `counter`, a `base`, a `base_level`, and a `fmt` function.

```
#let notation = thm-env(
  "notation",              // counter
  none,                    // base - do not attach, count globally
  none,                    // base_level - use the base as-is
  (name, number, body, color: black) => [
                           // fmt - format content using the environment
                           // name, number, body, and an optional color
    #text(color)[#h(1.2em) *Notation (#number) #name*]:
    #h(0.2em)
    #body
    #v(0.5em)
```

```
  ]
).with(numbering: "I")        // use Roman numerals
```

```#notation[```
 ``` The variable p is reserved for```
 ``` prime numbers.```
 ```]```
 ```#notation("for Reals", color: green)[```
 ``` The variable x is reserved for```
 ``` real numbers.```
 ```]```
	Notation (I) : The variable p is reserved for prime numbers.
	
	 Notation (II) for Reals: The variable x is reserved for real numbers.

Note that the `color: green` named argument supplied to the `notation` environment gets passed to the `fmt` function. In general, all extra named arguments supplied to the theorem will be passed to `fmt`. On the other hand, the positional argument `"for Reals"` will always be interpreted as the `name` argument in `fmt`.

```#lemma(title: "Lem.", stroke: 1pt)[```
 ``` All multiples of 3 greater than 3```
 ``` are composite.```
 ```]```
	Lem. 3.4.2. *All multiples of 3 greater than 3 are composite.*

Here, we override the `title` (which defaults to the `head`) as well as the `stroke` in the `fmt` produced by `thm-plain`. All `block` arguments can be overridden in `thm-plain` environments in this way.

3.5. Labels and references

You can place a `<label>` outside a theorem environment, and reference it later via `@label`. For example, go back to [Theorem 3.1](#).

```Recall that there are infinitely many``` ```prime numbers via @euclid.```	Recall that there are infinitely many prime numbers via [Theorem 3.1](#).
```You can reference future environments``` ```too, like @oddprime[Cor.].```	You can reference future environments too, like [Cor. 3.6.1](#).

```#lemma(```
 ``` supplement: "Lem.",```
 ``` refnumbering: "(1.1)"```
 ```)[```
 ``` All primes apart from 2 and 3 are```
 ``` of the form $6k plus.minus 1$.```
 ```] <primeform>```
 	
 ```You can modify the supplement and```
 ```numbering to be used in references, like```
 ```@primeform.```
	Lemma 3.5.1. *All primes apart from 2 and 3 are of the form $6k \pm 1$.*
	
	 You can modify the supplement and numbering to be used in references, like [Lem. (3.5.1)](#).

Caution: Links created by references to `thm-env`s will be styled according to `#show link:` rules.

3.6. Overriding base

```
#let remark = thm-rem(
  "Remark",
  base: "heading",
  numbering: "1.1"
)
```

| ```
#remark[
  There are infinitely many composite
  numbers.
]
``` | *Remark 3.6.1.* There are infinitely many composite numbers. |
| ```
#lemma[
  All primes greater than $2$ are odd.
] <oddprime>

#remark(base: "Theorem")[
  Two is a _lone prime_.
]
``` | **Lemma 3.6.1.** *All primes greater than* 2 *are odd.*<br><br>*Remark 3.6.1.1.* Two is a *lone prime*. |

This `remark` environment, which would normally be attached to the current *heading*, now uses the Theorem (which shares its counter with the Lemma) as a base.

4. Function reference

4.1. `thm-rules`

The `thm-rules` show rule sets important styling rules for theorem environments, references, and equations in proofs.

```
#let thm-rules(
  qed-symbol: $qed$,          // QED symbol used in proofs
  doc
) = { ... }
```

4.2. `thm-env`

The `thm-env` function produces a *theorem environment*.

```
#let thm-env(
  counter,                    // environment counter name
  base,                       // base counter name, can be "heading" or none
  base_level,                 // number of base number levels to use
  fmt                         // formatting function of the form
                              // (name, number, body, ..args) -> content
) = { ... }
```

The `fmt` function must accept a theorem `name`, `number`, `body`, and produce formatted content. It may also accept additional positional arguments, via `args`.

A *theorem environment* is itself a map of the following form.

```
(
  ..args,
  body,                       // body content
```

```
  number: auto,                // number, overrides numbering if present
  numbering: "1.1",            // numbering style, can be a function
  refnumbering: auto,          // numbering style used in references,
                               // defaults to "numbering"
  supplement: counter,         // supplement used in references
  base: base,                  // base counter name override
  base_level: base_level       // base_level override
) -> content
```

The only positional argument accepted in `args` is the `name`, which is the optional name of the theorem typically displayed after the title. All additional named arguments in `args` will be passed on to the associated `fmt` function supplied in `thm-env`.

4.3. `thm-box`

The `thm-box` wraps `thm-env`, supplying a box-like `fmt` function.

```
#let thm-box(
  head,                        // head - common name, used in the title
  counter: auto,               // counter, defaults to "head"
  ..args,                      // named arguments, passed to #block
  padding: (y: 0.1em),         // padding around the block, passed to #pad
  numbering: "1.1",            // numbering style, can be a function
  supplement: auto,            // supplement for references, defaults to "head"
  namefmt: x => [(#x)],        // formatting for name
  titlefmt: x => x,            // formatting for title (head + number)
  bodyfmt: x => x,             // formatting for body
  separator: [.#h(0.2em)],     // separator inserted between name and body
  base: "heading",             // base - defaults to using headings
  base_level: none,            // base_level - defaults to using base as-is
) = { ... }
```

The `thm-box` function sets a default `width: 100%` for the `block`.

4.4. `thm-plain`, `thm-def`, and `thm-rem`

These functions are identical to `thm-box`, with default styles mimicking the `plain`, `definition`, and `remark` styles from `amsthm` respectively.

The 'plain' style has a bold title and italicized body. This is typically used for Theorems, Lemmas, Corollaries, Propositions, etc.

```
#let thm-plain = thm-box.with(
  titlefmt: strong,
  bodyfmt: emph,
  separator: [*.*#h(0.2em)],
)
```

The 'definition' style has a bold title and upright body. This is typically appropriate for Definitions, Problems, Exercises, etc.

```
#let thm-def = thm-box.with(
  titlefmt: strong,
  separator: [*.*#h(0.2em)],
)
```

The 'remark' style has an italicized title and upright body, with numbering suppressed by default. This is typically appropriate for Remarks, Notes, Notation, etc.

```
#let thm-rem = thm-box.with(
  padding: (y: 0em),
  namefmt: name => emph([(#name)]),
  titlefmt: emph,
  separator: [.#h(0.2em)],
  numbering: none
)
```

4.5. `thm-proof`, `proof-bodyfmt` and `qedhere`

The `thm-proof` function is identical to `thm-rem`, except with defaults appropriate for proofs.

```
#let thm-proof = thm-rem.with(
    namefmt: emph,
    bodyfmt: proof-bodyfmt,
)
```

The `proof-bodyfmt` function is a `bodyfmt` function that automatically places a qed symbol at the end of the body.

You can use `#qedhere` inside a block equation, or at the end of a list/enum item to place the qed symbol on the same line.

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