# The TikZ-Extensions Package Manual for version 0.6.3 (11)

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# Part I

# Introduction

# 1 Usage

This package is called tikz-ext, however, one can't load it via  $\scalebox{ usepackage.}^1$  Instead, this package consists mostly of PGF and  $\scalebox{Ti}kZ$  libraries which are loaded by either  $\scalebox{ usepqflibrary or }$ 

# 2 Why do we need it?

Since I have been answering questions on TeX.sx I've noticed that some questions come up again and again, every time with a slightly different approach on how to solve them.

I don't like reinventing the wheel which is why I've gathered the solutions of my answers in this package.

# 3 Having problems?

Note however, that most of these extensions haven't been stress-tested properly and might be considered experimental.

Don't hesitate to open an issue on GitHub. You probably found a bug.

# 4 Namespaces and TikZ-Extensions macros

Since some parts of this package have existed in some form since 2013, the choice for key names and in which PGFkeys namespace they reside is not always optimal. They often reside in the main /tikz or /pqf path. Similar applies to macro names.

Starting with version 0.6, the namespace for almost all keys is /tikz/ext or /pgf/ext. The same applies to macros that shall be starting with \tikzext or \pgfext.

Starting with version 0.6, TikZ-Extensions provides commands that return the current version for compatibility testing. The second simply increments with every release so that the first doesn't need to be parsed.

## \tikzextversion

Returns 0.6.3.

## \tikzextversionnumber

Returns 11.

Also there's \tikzextset and \pgfextset.

## \tikzextset{\langle options \rangle}

This command will process the *options* using the *pgfkeys* command with the default path set to *tikz/ext*.

## \pgfextset{\langle options \rangle}

This command will process the  $\langle options \rangle$  using the  $\pgfkeys$  command with the default path set to  $\pgf/ext$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Except for pgfcalendar-ext and pgffor-ext.

# 5 Compatibility with older versions

As discussed in the previous section, keys and commands of extensions that existed before version 0.6 that do not appear in this manual are considered deprecated.

/tikz/ext/compat=pre 0.6|0.6|warn|newest (default pre 0.6)

This sets the global compatibility setting for every extension of this package (whether already loaded or not).

The choice warn gives out warning for deprecated keys or commands but still executes them if they were not not in use when an extension was loaded.

For version 0.6 this is actually the default settings so that active documents keep working – for now.

The following table shows the compatibility settings for each extension. A  $\checkmark$  denotes an available setting where  $\checkmark$  denotes the default compatibility setting. A – denotes that it is not different than the newest setting.

Extension	warn	pre 0.6	0.6
pgfcalendar-ext	4	✓	_
ext.calendar-plus			
ext.arrows	<b>4</b>	✓	-
ext.layers	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.node-families	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	-
ext.nodes	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.paths.arcto	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.paths.ortho	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.paths.timer	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	-
ext.patterns.images	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.pgffor-ext	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.pgfkeys-plus	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.positioning-plus	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	-
ext.scalepicture	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.shapes	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.transformations.mirror	$\mathscr{A}$	$\checkmark$	_
ext.topaths.arcthrough	$\mathscr{A}$	✓	-

For future version, it is planned that the default compatibility setting will not be warn.

For each available extension the compatibility setting can be adjusted as well after the extension is loaded.

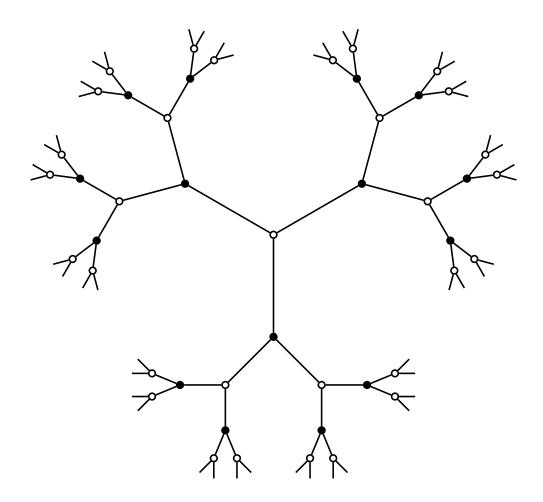
```
(default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/pgfcalendar-ext=\(\nabla version\)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/arrows=\(\nabla version\)
/tikz/ext/compat/layers=(version)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/nodes=(version)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/node-families=\langle version\rangle
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/paths.arcto=\langle version \rangle
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/paths.ortho=⟨version⟩
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/paths.timer=\(\nabla version\)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/patterns.images=\(\nabla version\)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/pqffor-ext=\langle version \rangle
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/pgfkevs-plus=\( version \)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/positioning-plus=\(\nabla version\)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/scalepicture=\langle version\rangle
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/shapes=(version)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/transformations.mirror=\(\(version\)\)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
/tikz/ext/compat/topaths.arcthrough=\(\langle version \rangle \)
                                                                      (default pre 0.6)
```

For  $\langle version \rangle$  the same choices are valid as for the main compat key. It should be noted that at this point, a compatibility setting can't really be reversed since they only forward arguments from an old key or command to the new version.

The old names are given as a subtitle to the new one in the sections that introduce them.

# Part II TikZ Libraries

These libraries only work with TikZ.



## 6 Arrow Pics

## TikZ Library ext.arrows-plus

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.arrows-plus} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.arrows-plus] % ConTEXt
```

This library defines pics and keys that can be used to place (bended) arrow tips on paths.

The markings decoration already provides the functionality to place arrow tips along the path. The pics and keys provided by this library serve as an alternative.

Many of the pics and keys share various keys that specify where and how the arrow tips are placed.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/pos} \ll (\text{value}) (no default, initially 0.0)
```

If the pic type supports it and a start arrow tip sequence is provided this specifies the position of that sequence.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/pos} >= \langle value \rangle (no default, initially 0.5)
```

This is an alias for /tikz/pos , if an end arrow tip sequence is provided, it is placed at this position.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/pos} < \text{angle} = \langle angle \rangle (no default)
```

For tips along an arc the angle along that arc can be specified for the start tip sequence.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/pos} > \text{angle} = \langle angle \rangle (no default)
```

For tips along an arc the angle along that arc can be specified for the end tip sequence.

```
/tikz/ext/arrow shift mode=\langle shift\ mode \rangle (no default, initially total length)
```

This key is used to set the  $\langle shift\ mode \rangle$  for the arrow tip. It can be one of the following.

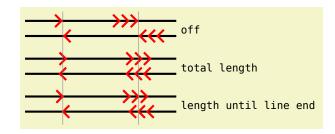
```
arrow shift mode=off This disables the shifting.
```

**arrow shift mode=total length** The total length of the whole arrow tip sequence will be used.

```
arrow shift mode=total This is an alias for total length.
```

arrow shift mode=length until line end The length of the whole arrow tip until the line end will be used – as reported by PGF which might not always be the expected one.

arrow shift mode=line end This is an alias for length until line end.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.arrows-plus}
\begin{tikzpicture}[>={Straight Barb[color=red]}, ultra thick]
\ttfamily
\foreach[count=|y] \shiftmode in {off, total length, length until line end}
\draw[ext/arrow shift mode=\shiftmode] (0, -\y )
-- pic {ext/arrow=>} ++(right:2)
-- pic {ext/arrow=>.>>} ++(right:2) node[below right] {\shiftmode}
++(down:.4) -- pic {ext/arrow=>.>>} ++( left:2)
-- pic {ext/arrow=>} ++( left:2);
\draw[thin, gray] (1,-.75) -- +(down:3) (3,-.75) -- +(down:3);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

For single arrow tips it might be better to use the Centered arrow tip variants of the ext.arrows library (see sec 21) and disabled arrow shift mode.

When an arrow tip sequence is to be drawn depending on the shift mode its total length or its length until the line end will be determined and multiplied with the arrow shift factor. The result of this evaluation is used to shift the arrow tip sequence in the tip's direction.

```
/tikz/ext/arrow shift factor start=(value) (no default, initially 0.5)
```

This determines the shift factor for the start tip sequence.

The default value is probably good for most cases.

```
/tikz/ext/arrow shift factor end=(value) (no default, initially 0.5)
```

This determines the shift factor for the start tip sequence.

The default value is probably good for most cases.

```
/tikz/ext/arrow shift factor=(value) (no default)
```

This sets both the start and end shift factor.

# 6.1 Arrow pic types

This library provides the following pics:

**ext/arrow** This is the simplest implementation to place an arrow tip along a path. It uses the current timer that is also used to place nodes.

It can be used without any adjustment for every path operation that provides such a timer. These do *not* include circle, ellipse, plot and grid. For rectangle, parabola, sin and cos, the ext.paths.timer library is recommended or even necessary (see section 14).

The arrow tips will never be bended. For this the following pic types or the /tikz/ext/arc arrows key will be necessary.

Due to [1] with an active transformation, the arrow tips won't be placed correctly in many cases. For this *and* bended arrow tips the following pics are necessary.

**ext/softpath arrows** This pic type places a possible bended arrow tip on the last segment of the path.

This won't work for arcs, for this the /tikz/ext/arc arrows key will be necessary.

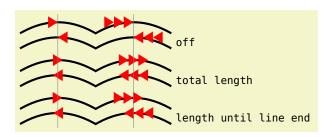
This pic type can place two tip specification, one at pos > and one at pos < in the reversed direction.

**ext/softpath arrow** This is an alias for softpath arrows with an empty start arrow tip specification.

## **Pic type ext/arrow**=\(\arrow\) arrow tip specification\(\rangle\)

This pic draws the given  $\langle arrow \ tip \ specification \rangle$  (defaults to the end tip specification of the path).

This obviously is best used as a pic along a path segment that supports it. It *does not* support bended arrow tips.



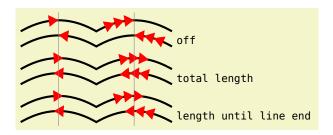
# **Pic type** ext/softpath arrows=\(\start \tip \specification\) - \(\lambda \end \tip \specification\)

This pic draws the given arrow tip specification (defaults to the already present tip specification of the path) along the previous path segment (a curve or a line). It supports the pos < key.

**Note:** For arcs with an angle greater than 90° this will not work as expected. Use the /tikz/ext/arc arrows key instead.

# **Pic type** ext/softpath arrow=\(\langle end tip specification\)

This pic type is an alias for softpath arrows =  $-\langle end \ tip \ specification \rangle$ .



# 6.2 Arrow keys

The last pic type softpath arrows is also available as a key which is the preferred version.

```
/tikz/ext/softpath arrows=(options) (default ->)
```

This key adds arrow tips to the previous path segment (a curve or a line).

```
/tikz/ext/every softpath arrows (style, initially {})
```

This style will be applied for every instance of softpath arrows (key version, not the pic). It also sets up forwarding

- from /tikz/pos > to /tikz/ext/pos > and
- from /tikz/pos < to /tikz/ext/pos >.

For arcs the following key needs to be used directly after the arc path operation.

```
/tikz/ext/arc arrows=⟨options⟩ (default ->)
```

This key adds arrow tips to the previous arc segment.

## /tikz/ext/every arc arrows

(style, initially {})

This style will be applied for every instance of arc arrows. It also sets up forwarding

- from /tikz/pos > to /tikz/ext/pos >,
- from /tikz/pos < to /tikz/ext/pos > as well as
- from /tikz/pos > angle to /tikz/ext/pos > angle and
- from /tikz/pos < angle to /tikz/ext/pos < angle.



**Tip:** Use an arc with the full  $360^{\circ}$  to place bended arrow tips along a circle or an ellipse.

# 6.3 Shifted and bended arrows for the decorations.markings library

\end{tikzpicture}

Many paths are not properly accessible by the previous methods. If this library is loaded *after* the decorations.markings library, both the \arrow and the \arrowreversed macros are enhanced.

```
\arrow**[\langle options \rangle] \{\langle arrow\ end\ tip \rangle\}
```

This macro works the same as before but the one-starred version applies the shifting as specified by arrow shift mode and arrow shift factor where as the two-starred version also bends the arrow tip.

```
\arrowreversed**[\langle options \rangle] {\langle arrow\ end\ tip \rangle}
```

As above, only the arrow end tip is flipped and points in the other direction.

# 7 Beamer with TikZ

## TikZ Library ext.beamer

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.beamer} % LTEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.beamer] % ConTeXt
```

This library can help create TikZ diagrams in the Beamer class.

# 7.1 Helpers

These helpers are always available, even if this library is loaded outside of Beamer.

```
/tikz/ext/ignore line width
```

(no value)

If this key is used on a scope (or the TikZ picture itself), the line widths of paths will not contribute to the bounding box of the diagram.

```
/tikz/ext/max bounding box=\langle name \rangle
```

(no default)

This key is to be used on multiple tikzpicture environments. All TikZ diagram with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same bounding box. Refrain from using (unprotected) commas (,) in the  $\langle name \rangle$ .

This uses the AUX file and is therefore incompatible with the external library.

However, it is made compatible with the memoize [60] package, even if it takes a few compilations until it is stable again after a new diagram is added to the group.

## 7.2 Beamer

While TikZ has some rudimentary support for the Beamer class, i. e. in the form of \path< $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$ >, this uses Beamer's \alt command internally so that on overlays that are not included in  $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$ , the path will not be typeset and will therefore not contribute to the diagram's bounding box.

This in turn will lead to the diagram "jumping around" as every overlay will contain a different diagram with different dimensions. The aobs-tikz package solves this by setting the opacity to zero for all those slides an element shouldn't be visible on.

I believe we can do better.

Though, remember that for many simple diagrams, you can simply use  $\$  . The following diagram will show

- nodes and edges transparent on overlay 1,
- nodes fully visible and edges transparent on overlay 2 and
- all elements fully visible on overlay 3.

```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.beamer} \setbeamercovered {transparent}
\usetikzpicture}
\understand (a) {A}
    node (b) at (1,2) {B};
\understand (a) edge[bend right] (b);
\understand (b);
\understand (b) edge[bend right] (b);
\understand (c) edge[bend right] (b);
\understand (c) edge[bend right] (b);
\understand (c) edge[bend right] (c) edge[be
```

## 7.2.1 Stop Jumping

One solution to this is to have the same TikZ diagram have the same size on every overlay. The /tikz/ext/ignore line width might help if all that changes between overlays is the line width of elements.

Another one is the following key.

```
/tikz/ext/sync bounding box (no value)
```

This key uses ext/max bounding box with a specific  $\langle name \rangle$  that is stable across overlays.

If you find yourself often rearrange diagrams or changing overlays, you might be better off using the ext/sync bounding box key directly with a distinct (name).

## 7.2.2 BEAMERFunction and keys

```
/tikz/ext/beamer function=original|alt|only|uncover|visible|invisible
```

(no default)

This key changes how the  $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$  in  $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$  is applied internally. The choices original, alt and only are all the same and will result in the default behavior of TikZ.

The same overlays as above can be created now with the following diagram.

```
      /tikz/ext/uncover=\(overlay\) specification\
      (default\) all)

      /tikz/ext/cover=\(overlay\) specification\
      (default\) all)

      /tikz/ext/visible=\(overlay\) specification\
      (default\) all)

      /tikz/ext/invisible=\(overlay\) specification\
      (default\) all)
```

These keys work similar to Beamer's own \onslide command but only apply to the element it is used on.

The implementation of this is rather experimental and should be used carefully. Multiple uses of these options *don't* stack, only the last one wins – this includes the use of the first syntax shortcuts introduced in the next subsubsection.

The same overlays as above can be created with the first of the following diagram. In the second diagram ext/uncover is only used on the (actual) empty path. Just like draw/\draw, the nodes will not observe the request to be covered on overlay 1.

```
/tikz/ext/aobs visible=\(overlay specifcation\)
/tikz/ext/aobs invisible=\(overlay specifcation\)
(default all)
(default all)
```

In case one wants to use the method of simply setting the opacity of elements to zero to hide them, these keys are also available.

Of course, an extension to Beamer is not complete without the following keys.

```
 \begin{tabular}{ll} \be
```

Applies the  $\langle default \ kv \ list \rangle$  on  $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$ , otherwise the  $\langle alternative \ kv \ list \rangle$ .

Applies the specific list depending whether the current overlay is before, on or after the specified  $\langle \textit{overlay specification} \rangle$ .

## 7.2.3 BEAMERShortcuts

But, of course, no one wants to write  $\t$ utils/ext/only={2}{red} to make an element red on overlay 2.

```
\tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts = \{\langle key-value\ list \rangle\}\ (no default)
```

This executes the  $\langle key\text{-}value\ list \rangle$  in the namespace /tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts.

/tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts/aot (no value)

This forwards the keys /tikz/alt, /tikz/only and /tikz/temporal to the aforementioned homonymous /utils/ext keys.

(no default, initially uncover)

/tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts/first char=uncover|cover|visible|invisible|aobs visible|aobs invisible The value of this key will be used for the first char shorthands that can be enabled with the following keys.

```
/tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts/enable first char <</pre>
```

(no value)

This install a "first char" handler with the character <.

This allows the example diagram to specified in the following way.

Internally, this will be converted to ext/uncover= $\{\langle overlay \ specification \rangle\}$ .

Actually, the full syntax is much more versatile

```
<\langle overlay\ specification \rangle > '\langle options \rangle < \langle overlay\ specification \rangle > '\langle options\ A \rangle \} \{\langle options\ B \rangle \} \{\langle options\ C \rangle \}
```

If no options are present the *(overlay specification)* will be forwarded to one of the keys explained in the subsection above – depending on ext/beamer shortcuts/first char. The optional 'after > will invert the *(overlay specification)*.

If  $\langle options \rangle$  or  $\{\langle options A \rangle\}$  are present, these will only applied on  $\langle overlay \ specifications \rangle$  (or the inverse of them with the '). If two sets of options are present, they will be \alted, three options will be \temporaled.

The 'will swap two sets of options while for three the first and the last will be swapped.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts/enable first char=} \{ \langle character \rangle \}
```

(no default)

As the < character might lead to problems as it conflicts with the TikZ shorthand of specifying arrow tip sequences (i. e. the famous <-><sup>2</sup>) and the graphs library's own first char syntax an alternative is presented here.

This key enables a first char syntax with  $\langle character \rangle$  where the full syntax is the same as above:

```
\langle character \rangle < \langle overlay \ specification \rangle > ' \langle options \rangle \\ \langle character \rangle < \langle overlay \ specification \rangle > ' \{\langle options \ A \rangle \} \{\langle options \ B \rangle \} \{\langle options \ C \rangle \}
```

This means, the example diagram can be created in the following way.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Though, remember, you can always write arrows = <->.

## /tikz/graphs/ext/better beamer shortcut

(no value)

This sets up a few things that enables the < first char syntax in the appropriate places. For nodes, it tries to be smart and checks for the presence of a > to decide whether the BEAMER shortcut or the the graphs library's own shortcut should be used.

# 7.2.4 Key Handler

Maybe this is a syntax that someone wants ...

**Key handler** \( \langle key \rangle \rangle \). \( \text\_<= \langle overlay \) specification \( \rangle \) value

This handler applies the key on  $\langle overlay \ specification \rangle$ . If  $\langle value \rangle$  is missing, then the key is also used without a value. For an empty value, use  $\{\}$ . If the  $\langle value \rangle$  contains comas or equal signs, as always, you will need to protect those with  $\{\}$ .

/tikz/ext/beamer shortcuts/enable handler

(no value)

If ext\_ is too much, using this key activates the .< handler.

**Key handler**  $\langle key \rangle / . <= \langle overlay \ specification \rangle > value$ 

This handler is then an alias for the .ext\_< handler.

# Calendar

```
TikZ Library ext.calendar-plus
    \usetikzlibrary{ext.calendar-plus} % LATEX and plain TEX
    \usetikzlibrary[ext.calendar-plus] % ConTFXt
    This library extends the TikZ library calendar.
    Q & A: [11, 12, 5] & [30, 51, 49]
```

# 8.1 Value-keys and nestable if key

```
(initially 3ex)
/tikz/day xshift
                                                                  (initially 3.5ex)
/tikz/day yshift
                                                                    (initially 9ex)
/tikz/month xshift
                                                                    (initially 9ex)
/tikz/month yshift
```

The values of these keys are originally stored in some macros that are not accessible by the user. These are now simple value-keys. The @-protected macros are still available, of course.

```
/tikz/if=(\langle conditions\rangle) \langle code or options\rangle else \langle else code or options\rangle
                                                                                               (no default)
     It is now also possible to nest /tikz/if occurrences.
```

## 8.2 PGFmath functions

```
ext weeksinmonthofyear(first weekday, month, year)
\pgfmathextweeksinmonthofyear{first weekday}{month}{year}
```

Returns the number of (partial) weeks in the month month of year year when this month begins on a *first weekday*.

```
ext lastdayinmonthofyear(month, year)
\pgfmathextlastdayinmonthofyear{month}{year}
```

Returns the last day (28, 29, 30 or 31) of month month of year year.

# 8.3 Week numbering (ISO 8601)

The actual week number algorithm is implemented by the pqfcalendar-ext package/module in section 29.2.

```
(no default)
/tikz/ext/week code=\langle code \rangle
pre 0.6 /tikz/week code
```

Works like /tikz/day code or /tikz/month code, only for weeks.

```
/\text{tikz/ext/week text} = \langle text \rangle
                                                                                                (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/week text
```

Works like /tikz/day text or /tikz/month text, only for weeks.

```
/tikz/ext/every week
                                                                 (style, no value)
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/every week

Works like /tikz/every day or /tikz/every month, only for weeks.

```
(style, no value)
/tikz/ext/week label left
pre 0.6 /tikz/week label left
```

Places the week label to the left of the first day of the month. (For week list and month list where a week does not start on a Monday, the position is chosen "as if" the week had started on a Monday - which is usually exactly what you want.)

```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.calendar-plus}
            July
                             \tikz
                 1 2 3
                                 week list, month label above centered,
    4 5 6 7 8 9 10
                                 dates=2022-07-01 to 2022-07-31,
                                 ext/week label left,
28 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
                                 ext/every week/.append style={
                                  gray!50!black, font=\sffamily}];
29 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
30 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
```

# 9 Layers

## TikZ Library ext.layers

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.layers} % LTEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.layers] % ConTEXt
```

This library extends TikZ's functionalities to put nodes, edges, matrices and pics on a separate layer without having to use the pgfonlayer environment.

Consider this library experimental. If you can, avoid it and use the pgfonlayer environment or change the drawing order.

```
/tikz/ext/layers/patch=node|matrix|pic|edge|all
pre 0.6 /tikz-ext/layers/patch
(no default)
```

Since this library is experimental, its functionality needs to be activated explicitly. Patches exist for

- · node.
- matrix,
- pic<sup>3</sup>,
- · edge or
- all which applies all the patches at once.

```
/tikz/ext/node on layer=\langle layer \rangle (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/node on layer
```

If the node patch is applied, this key places a node on layer  $\langle layer \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/matrix on layer=\layer\rangle (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/matrix on layer
```

If the matrix patch is applied, this key places the matrix on layer  $\langle layer \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/edge on layer=\langle layer \rangle (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/edge on layer
```

If the edge patch is applied, this key places the edge on layer  $\langle layer \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/pic on layer=\layer\rangle (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/pic on layer
```

If the pic patch is applied, this key places the main code of a pic on layer  $\langle layer \rangle$ .



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Only the normal /tikz/pics/code can be placed on different layers. Both /tikz/pics/background code and /tikz/pics/foreground code will not be affected.

# 10 Node Families

## TikZ Library ext.node-families

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.node-families} % LTEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.node-families] % ConTEXt
```

With this library the user can instruct multiple nodes to have the same width, height, text width, text height or text width. This uses the hook /tikz/execute at end picture to write the nodes' measurements to the AUX file.

```
Q & A: [14] & [33]
```

Before we get to the interesting keys, a common prefix can be set for the families' names. Initially this is \pgfpictureid- so that families of different pictures don't interact.

```
/tikz/ext/node family/prefix=\langle prefix\rangle
```

(no default, initially \pgfpictureid-)

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/prefix

The family names are prefixed with the value of /tikz/ext/node family/prefix.

## 10.1 Externalization

As this library usually needs multiple compilations to produce stable pictures it is incompatible with the external library. However, the library provides support for the memoize [60] package.

## 10.2 Text Box

The following keys – when setup, see below – work with every shape with one single node part. Initially though, only circle and rectangle are set up that way.

```
/tikz/ext/node family/text height=\langle name\rangle
```

(no default, initially {})

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/text height

Nodes with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same text height. An empty  $\langle name \rangle$  disables the evaluation by the library.

```
/tikz/ext/node family/text depth=\langle name \rangle
```

(no default, initially {})

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/text depth

Nodes with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same text depth. An empty  $\langle name \rangle$  disables the evaluation by the library.

## /tikz/ext/node family/text width= $\langle name \rangle$

(no default, initially {})

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/text width

Nodes with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same text width. An empty  $\langle name \rangle$  disables the evaluation by the library.

/tikz/ext/node family/text= $\langle name \rangle$ 

(no default)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Technically, it will also work with shapes with multiple node parts but it will only affect the main node part.

```
pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/text
```

Sets text height, text depth and text width.

Since the width of the node's content's box is setup much earlier, the previous key only extends the width of that box which would make the text seem as if it where aligned to the left. With text width family align this can changed.

```
/tikz/ext/node family/text width align=\langle alignment \rangle
```

(no default, initially center)

⟨alignment⟩ is one of left, center or right.

```
Foo

\[
\text{visctivalibrary {positioning,ext.node-families}} \tikzexternaldisable % ext.node-families does not work with active externalization} \text{begin{tikzpicture}[nodes={rectangle, draw, ext/node family={text width=manual, text width align=right}}]} \text{node (a) {Foo};} \text{node[below=of a] (b) {Foobar};} \text{end{tikzpicture}} \]
```

```
/tikz/ext/node family/setup shape=\langle shape \rangle
```

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/setup shape

This adds instructions to the *(shape)*'s definition which adjust the text box's dimensions according to the family.

This should be only used once per shape.

# 10.3 Minimum Width/Height

While the keys of the previous subsection work well enough for nodes of the same shape (and the same inner seps), for different node shapes the text box dimensions will be used differently for the node's total dimension.

For this, the following keys are necessary. When one of the keys are used the values of minimum width and/or minimum height are set to ext\_nf\_width or nf\_height respectively.

```
/tikz/ext/node family/width=\(name\)

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/width

(no default, initially {})
```

Nodes with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same /pgf/minimum width. An empty  $\langle name \rangle$  disables the evaluation by the library.

```
| Foo | \usetikzlibrary {positioning,ext.node-families} \
\tikzexternaldisable % ext.node-families does not work with active externalization \
\text{begin{tikzpicture}[nodes={rectangle, draw, ext/node family/width=manual}]} \
\text{node (a) {Foo}; \
\node[below=of a] (b) {Foobar}; \
\end{tikzpicture}
```

/tikz/ext/node family/height= $\langle name \rangle$ 

(no default, initially {})

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/height

Nodes with the same  $\langle name \rangle$  will have the same /pgf/minimum height. An empty  $\langle name \rangle$  disables the evaluation by the library.

/tikz/ext/node family/size= $\langle name \rangle$ 

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/node family/size

Sets both height and width.

# 10.4 More shapes that support the keys width and height

TikZ Library ext.node-families.shapes.geometric

This library adds support for the keys / tikz/ext/node family/width and / tikz/ext/node family/height for the shapes of the PGF library shapes.geometric.

Q: [24]

The shapes are also setup for the keys from subsection 10.2.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.node-families.shapes.geometric}
\tikzexternaldisable % ext.node-families does not work with active externalization
\begin{tikzpicture}
\foreach \cnt[count=\Cnt] in {a,...,h}
\node[draw, diamond, ext/node family/text=aT0h] (\cnt)
    at (right:\Cnt) {\cnt};
\draw[help lines] (a.south) -- (h.south) (a.north) -- (h.north) (a.base-|a.west) -- (h.base-|h.east);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 11 Nodes

## TikZ Library ext.nodes

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.nodes} % LMT<sub>E</sub>X and plain T<sub>E</sub>X \usetikzlibrary[ext.nodes] % ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt
```

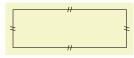
This library extends TikZ's functionalities when it comes to nodes.

```
Q & A: [10, 18] & [35, 44]
```

## 11.1 Pic as a node

```
/tikz/ext/pic=\langle boolean\rangle (default true, initially false)
pre 0.6 /tikz/pic
```

This key allows one to use a pic where usually only nodes are accepted, for example as a label.



# 11.2 Node as a pic

A pic allows any (sub)picture to be handled like a node – with one caveat: it doesn't provide anchors like a node and is thus not able to be placed like one.

A PGF matrix on the other hand allows a (sub)picture in a node (multiple even) but the matrix is not able to be transformed.

The following should find a compromise between these two. Here are some rules and guidelines for using this:

- The "text" of a node is a (sub)picture like a pic's code or a matrix cell. The (sub)picture will be typeset as the text of the node.
- Only the text node part is available. The \nodepart command should not be used. The solution is *not* a matrix. It can only contain one cell. No \\ is needed at the end.
- The baseline of the node is the (sub)pictures y value of 0.
- Just like with a pic or a matrix, certain settings and values will be inherited by the (sub)picture.
- The bounding box of the (sub)picture will be evaluated automatically and the result will be used to determine the size of the "text".
- However, the line width will not contribute to the size. This has the advantage that with <code>/pgf/inner</code> sep set to zero, paths of the (sub)picture can lie on the border of the node.
- This is not nestable! You cannot use node is pic inside a (sub)picture created by node is pic.

## /tikz/ext/node is pic=⟨true or false⟩

(default true)

Setting this to true activates the aforementioned procedure for the node's text to be a picture. Setting it to false returns to the default behavior of a normal node.

## /tikz/ext/every node pic

(style, no value)

This key will be applied at the start of every (sub)picture.

## /tikz/ext/node pic reset graphic state

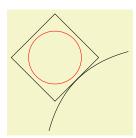
(no value)

This key sets up /tikz/ext/every node pic so that it resets many settings and values to their PGF/TikZ default.

## /tikz/ext/name prefix ..

(no value)

Similar to a pic, /tikz/name prefix is set to the name of the outer node. This key will return to the name prefix that was set beforehand.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.nodes}
\begin{tikzpicture}[x=+7mm, y=+7mm]
\draw (0,0) to[bend left]
  node[ext/node is pic, sloped, draw, above]{
    \draw[red] (0,0) circle[radius=1];
  } (3,3);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 11.3 Nodes on paths

When nodes are placed along paths they don't interrupt the path at that place. The decoration markings and its /pgf/decoration/mark connection node key can help but only works for straight paths and doesn't play nicely with arrow tips.

This library provides alternatives. These are separated into straight paths, i. e. --, and everything else (including any to path).

## 11.3.1 Nodes on Lines

```
/tikz/ext/node on line=(anchor specification) (style, default {})
pre 0.6 /tikz/node on line
```

This installs a /tikz/to path that places *one* node along a straight line but connect the line with it.

This allows a node to be placed on a straight line without having to use fill = white or similar tricks to make the line disappear beneath the node.

The optional (*anchor specification*) allows to specify the anchors to which the line should connect. It allows one or two anchors divided by and to be specified.

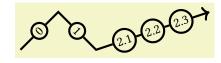
## /tikz/ext/nodes on line

(style, no value)

pre 0.6 /tikz/nodes on line

This is similar to the previous key but allows multiple nodes to be placed on a straight line *if* they are in the correct order (from start to target), don't overlap with each other, the start or the target.

It allows *no* anchor specification.





```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.nodes, quotes}
\tikz[inner sep=.15em, nodes=draw]
  \draw[thick, ->, ext/node on line=west and east]
  (0,0) to["0"] (1,1)
      to["1"] (2,0)
      to["2"] (4,1);
```

## 11.3.2 Nodes on Curves

The following keys need the intersections and the spath3 [57] library to be loaded. They will not be automatically loaded by this library.

Any /pgf/outer sep will be ignored.

If you can, use fill= $\langle bg\ color \rangle$  instead of these keys, it will be much faster and easier.

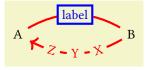
```
/tikz/ext/nodes on curve=\langle to\;path\rangle (style, default line to) pre 0.6 /tikz/nodes on curve
```

Similar to nodes on line, this key allows to have nodes on arbitrary paths.

This is not suitable for paths connecting nodes.

```
/tikz/ext/nodes on curve'=⟨to path⟩ (style, default line to)
pre 0.6 /tikz/nodes on curve'
```

As above but suitable for connecting nodes.





```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.nodes, intersections, quotes, spath3}
\tikz[inner sep=.15em, circle, nodes={draw, green}, sloped, ultra thick]
\draw[->, ext/nodes on curve=bend left] (0,0) to["0"] (1,1)
to["1"] (2,0)

to["2" near start, "3", "4" near end] (4,1)
-- ++(down:1);
```

# 11.4 Automatic placement of nodes

The /tikz/auto key allows automatic placement of nodes along a path segment. This library extends this in various ways.

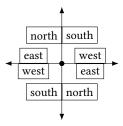
## 11.4.1 More than left and right

Besides left and right that are provided by TikZ the following placement mechanism are provided:

- ext/left will place a node to the left of the direction of the line,
- ext/right will place a node to the right of the direction of the line,
- ext/above will place a node towards the direction of the line,
- ext/below will place a node against the direction of the line,
- ext/west will place a node towards the left side of the paper,
- ext/east will place a node towards the right side of the paper,
- ext/north will place a node towards the upper side of the paper and
- ext/south will place a node twoards the lower side of the paper.

The placement mechanisms ext/left and ext/right are like the original left and right mechanisms but don't swap sides when /tikz/sloped is used.

Certain cases exist for ext/west, ext/east, ext/north and ext/south placements where it is not clear how a node should be placed. These cases and their behavior can be seen in the following figure.



## 11.4.2 Offset

Nodes are usually placed with their border (including any outer sep) on the line. With the following option, a node will be shifted a certain offset distance.

## /tikz/ext/auto with offset=⟨true or false⟩

(default true)

This key activates the offset function.

#### /tikz/ext/auto offset

(initially 1cm)

The offset distance itself.

For the brace decoration, the following keys are provided which needs the decorations.pathreplacing loaded before they can be used.

```
/tikz/ext/nodes/install auto offset for brace decoration=\langle distance \rangle (default 0pt)
```

This key installs the necessary customizations for the /pgf/decoration/raise key so that the given value is available as an offset.

It also makes available the following keys.

## /tikz/ext/auto offset for brace decoration (no value)

This sets /tikz/ext/auto offset to \pgfdecorationsegmentamplitude+ (\pgfkeysvalueof{/pgf/decoration/raise}).

## /tikz/ext/every brace node

(style, no value)

Using this key on a node along a path that's decorated by the brace decoration will offset the node so that it will be placed at the tip of the brace.

**Implementation note:** This redefines the keys /tikz/auto, /tikz/swap and /tikz/sloped. One can install custom auto placement rules by using the following key.

```
\label{eq:like_ext_nodes_install} $$ \operatorname{uto}={\langle \mathit{left}\rangle}_{\{\langle \mathit{right}\rangle\}}$$ (no default)
```

This key defines /tikz/auto/ $\langle left \rangle$  which activates the auto placement and installs the appropriate placement function. Further more, the key /tikz/swap/ $\langle left \rangle$  will be defined to active the  $\langle right \rangle$  placement function.

The key /tikz/swap has been defined to apply /tikz/swap/ $\langle dir \rangle$  where  $\langle dir \rangle$  is the current placement function.

# 11.4.3 Precise placement

The default behavior of the auto placement mechanism is to snap to one of the eight compass directions.

/tikz/ext/precise auto angle=⟨true or false⟩ (default true)

With this option set to true, the auto placement won't snap to one of the eight compass directions.

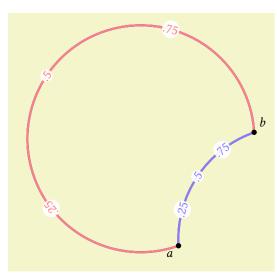
This key disables the /tikz/sloped option which in turn will disable this option.

# 12 Arc to a point

## TikZ Library ext.paths.arcto

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.paths.arcto} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.paths.arcto] % ConTEXt
```

This library adds the new path operation arc to that specifies an arc to a point – without the user having to specify any angles.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.paths.arcto}
\begin{tikzpicture}[ultra thick,dot/.style={label={#1}}]
\coordinate[dot=below left:$a$] (a) at (0,0);
\coordinate[dot=above right:$b$] (b) at (2,3);
\begin{scope}[
  radius=3,
  nodes={
   shape=circle,
   fill=white,
   fill opacity=.9,
   text opacity=1,
   inner sep=+0pt,
   sloped,
   allow upside down
\draw[blue]
            (a) arc to[]
 node[near start] {.25} node {.5} node[near end] {.75} (b);
\draw[red]
              (a) arc to[clockwise]
 node[near start] {.25} node {.5} node[near end] {.75} (b);
\draw[blue!50] (a) arc to[large]
 node[near start] {.25} node {.5} node[near end] {.75} (b);
\draw[red!50] (a) arc to[large, clockwise]
 node[near start] {.25} node {.5} node[near end] {.75} (b);
\end{scope}
\fill[radius=2pt] (a) circle[] (b) circle[];
\end{tikzpicture}
```

```
\path ... arc to[\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;
```

When this operation is used, the path gets extended by an arc that goes through the current point and  $\langle coordinate \rangle$ .

For two points there exist two circles or four arcs that go through or connect these two points. Which one of these is constructed is determined by the following options that can be used inside of *(options)*.

```
/tikz/ext/arc to/clockwise (style, no value)
```

This constructs an arc that goes clockwise.

```
/tikz/ext/arc to/counter clockwise (style, no value)
```

This constructs an arc that goes counter clockwise.

This is the default.

## /tikz/ext/arc to/large

(style, no value)

This constructs an arc whose angle is larger than 180°.

## /tikz/ext/arc to/small

(style, no value)

This constructs an arc whose angle is smaller than  $180^{\circ}$ .

## /tikz/ext/arc to/rotate=\langle degree \rangle

(no default)

Rotates the arc by  $\langle \textit{degree} \rangle$ . This is only noticeable when x radius and y radius are different.

## /tikz/ext/arc to/x radius=(value)

(no default)

This forwards the  $\langle value \rangle$  to /tikz/x radius. Its  $\langle value \rangle$  is used for the radius of the arc.

## /tikz/ext/arc to/y radius=(value)

(no default)

This forwards the  $\langle value \rangle$  to /tikz/y radius. Its  $\langle value \rangle$  is used for the radius of the arc.

## /tikz/ext/arc to/radius=(value)

(no default)

This forwards the  $\langle value \rangle$  to both /tikz/x radius and /tikz/y radius. Its  $\langle value \rangle$  is used for radius of the arc.

## /tikz/ext/every arc to

(style, no value)

After /tikz/every arc this will also be applied before any *(options)* are set.

It should be noted that this uses pgfpatharcto for which the TikZ manual warns:

The internal computations necessary for this command are numerically very unstable. In particular, the arc will not always really end at the  $\langle$  target coordinate $\rangle$ , but may be off by up to several points. A more precise positioning is currently infeasible due to TEX's numerical weaknesses. The only case it works quite nicely is when the resulting angle is a multiple of  $90^{\circ}$ .

The arc to path operation will also work only in the canvas coordinate system. The lengths of the vectors (1,0) and (0,1) will be used for the calculation of the radii but no further consideration is done.

# 13 More Horizontal and Vertical Lines

## TikZ Library ext.paths.ortho

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.paths.ortho} % LMT<sub>E</sub>X and plain T<sub>E</sub>X \usetikzlibrary[ext.paths.ortho] % ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt
```

This library adds new path specifications |-|, -| - as well as r-ud, r-du, r-lr and r-rl.

## 13.1 Timers

New timers are setup for both the Zig-Zag and the Zig-Zig connections that will be introduced in this section. These can be configured through the following keys.

## /tikz/ext/ortho/spacing=\langle number\rangle

(no default, initially 4)

pre 0.6 /tikz/ortho/spacing

For  $\langle number \rangle \geq 2$ 

- pos = 0 will be at the start,
- pos = 1 will be at the end,
- pos =  $\frac{1}{\langle number \rangle}$  will be at the first kink,
- pos =  $\frac{\langle number \rangle 1}{\langle number \rangle}$  will be at the second kink and
- pos = .5 will be in the middle of the middle part of the connection.

If  $\langle number \rangle \leq 1$  then

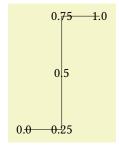
- pos = -1 will be at the start,
- pos = 2 will be at the end,
- pos = 0 will be at the first kink,
- pos = 1 will be at the second kink and
- pos = .5 will still be in the middle of the middle part of the connection.

## /tikz/ext/ortho/middle 0 to 1

(no value)

pre 0.6 /tikz/ortho/middle 0 to 1

This is an alias for spacing = 0.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.paths.ortho}
\tikz \draw (0,0) -|- (2,3)
foreach \p in {0.0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1.0}{
node [pos=\p] {\p}};
```

# 13.2 Zig-Zag

Similar to the path operations |- and -| this library adds the path operations |-| ("vhv") and -|- ("hvh").

```
\path ... | - | [\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;
```

This operation means "first vertical, then horizontal and then vertical again".

```
\path ... - | - [\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;
```

This operation means "first horizontal, then vertical and then horizontal again".

Where the middle part (horizontal for |-| and vertical for -|-|) of these path operation end up can be specified by a ratio, a distance or a factor of one base vector of the xy coordinate system.

If used with nodes, the key from center toggles from where these are measured.

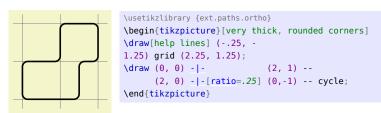
```
/tikz/ext/ortho/from center=\langle true or false\rangle
pre 0.6 /tikz/ortho/from center

(default true)
```

When nodes get connected the placement of the middle part of the Zig-Zag and the Zig-Zig (see below) connections will be calculated from the border of these nodes. The middle part of the connections will be calculated from the nodes' center if this key is set to true.

This sets the ratio for the middle part of the - | - and/or the | - | operation.

For values of  $\langle ratio \rangle < 0$  and  $\langle ratio \rangle > 1$  the Zig-Zag lines will look more like the Zig-Zig lines.



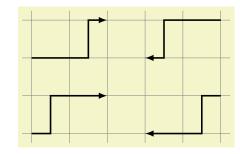
For specifying a distance or a factor in the *xy* coordinate system the same option will be used.

pre 0.6 /tikz/ortho/distance

If  $\langle distance \rangle$  contains a unit, this will be used as the absolute distance for the middle part of the -|- and/or the |-| operation. If  $\langle distance \rangle$  doesn't contain a unit it will be interpreted as the factor for the base y(|-|) or x vector (-|-) in the xy coordinate system.

This distance is measured from the target coordinate if it's negative, otherwise from the start coordinate.

The distance option also sets the distance of the Zig-Zig path operations below.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.paths.ortho}
\begin{tikzpicture}[very thick,-
latex]
\draw[help lines,-]
    (-.25, -.25) grid (5.25, 3.25);
\draw (0, 0)
    -|-[hvh distance=+ .5cm] ++(2, 1);
\draw (0, 2)
    -|-[hvh distance=+-.5cm] ++(2, 1);
\tikzset{xshift=3cm}
\draw (2, 1)
    -|-[hvh distance=+ .5cm]++(-2,-1);
\draw (2, 3)
    -|-[hvh distance=+-.5cm]++(-2,-1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 13.3 Zig-Zig

```
\path ... r-ud[\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;

This operation means "first up, then horizontal and then down".

\path ... r-du[\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;

This operation means "first down, then horizontal and then up".

\path ... r-lr[\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;

This operation means "left down, then vertical and then right".

\path ... r-rl[\langle options \rangle] \langle coordinate or cycle \rangle ...;

This operation means "first right, then vertical and then down".
```

pre 0.6 These were all in the /tikz/ortho namespace.

If  $\langle distance \rangle$  contains a unit, this will be used as the absolute distance for the middle part of the previously introduced path operation. If  $\langle distance \rangle$  doesn't contain a unit it will be interpreted as the factor for the base y (ud/du) or x vector (lr/rl) in the xy coordinate system.

The distance is measured from the start, never from the target coordinate.

The distance option also sets the distance of the Zig-Zag path operations above.

## 13.4 Even more Horizontal and Vertical Lines

The following keys can be used to access vertical and horizontal line path operations.

```
/tikz/ext/horizontal vertical
                                                                  (no value)
                                                                  (no value)
/tikz/ext/vertical horizontal
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/horizontal vertical, /tikz/vertical horizontal

These install the path operations - | or | - respectively as to paths that can be used with the path operations to or edge.

```
/tikz/ext/horizontal vertical horizontal=\langle options\rangle
                                                                               (no default)
/tikz/ext/vertical horizontal vertical=\langle options\rangle
                                                                               (no default)
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/horizontal vertical horizontal, /tikz/vertical horizontal vertical

These installs the operations - | - or | - | respectively as to paths that can be used with the path operations to or edge.

```
/tikz/ext/up horizontal down=\langle options \rangle
                                                                                    (no default)
/tikz/ext/down horizontal up=\langle options \rangle
                                                                                    (no default)
/tikz/ext/left vertical right=\langle options\rangle
                                                                                    (no default)
/tikz/ext/right vertical left=\langle options\rangle
                                                                                    (no default)
pre 0.6 These were all in the /tikz namespace.
```

These install the Zig-Zig path operations as to paths that can be used with the path operations to or edge.

When connecting rectangular nodes, these keys could be useful as well. They all need to be given to a to or edge path operation.

```
/tikz/ext/only vertical second=(length)
                                                              (style, default 0pt)
pre 0.6 /tikz/only vertical second
```

This draws a vertical line from the start point to the target point so that it connects to the target point in the center (or at its border in case it is a node).

The optional  $\langle length \rangle$  can be used to shift the line orthogonally to its direction.

```
/tikz/ext/only horizontal second=\(\langle length\rangle\)
                                                                         (style, default 0pt)
pre 0.6 /tikz/only horizontal second
```

This draws a horizontal line from the start point to the target point so that it connects to the target point in the center (or at its border in case it is a node).

The optional  $\langle length \rangle$  can be used to shift the line orthogonally to its direction.

```
/tikz/ext/only vertical first=\langle length\rangle
                                                                        (style, default 0pt)
pre 0.6 /tikz/only vertical first
```

This draws a vertical line from the start point to the target point so that it connects to the start point in the center (or at its border in case it is a node).

The optional  $\langle length \rangle$  can be used to shift the line orthogonally to its direction.

```
/tikz/ext/only horizontal first=(length)
                                                               (style, default 0pt)
pre 0.6 /tikz/only horizontal first
```

This draws a horizontal line from the start point to the target point so that it connects to the start point in the center (or at its border in case it is a node).

The optional  $\langle length \rangle$  can be used to shift the line orthogonally to its direction.

Since all previous key are rather cumbersome, one can install shortcuts for these.

## /tikz/ext/ortho/install shortcuts

(style, no value)

pre 0.6 /tikz/ortho/install shortcuts

Installs the following shortcuts:

→ vertical horizontal  $\rightarrow$  horizontal vertical

→ horizontal vertical horizontal

→ vertical horizontal vertical

 $\rightarrow$  only vertical first

 $\rightarrow$  only vertical second

 $\rightarrow$  only horizontal first

→ only horizontal second

r-ud  $\rightarrow$  up horizontal down

r-du  $\rightarrow$  down horizontal up

r-lr → left vertical right

 $r-rl \rightarrow right vertical left$ 

# 14 Extending the Path Timers

## TikZ Library ext.paths.timer

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.paths.timer} % Lambda and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.paths.timer] % ConTEXt

This library adds timers to the path specifications rectangle, parabola, sin and cos.
```

```
Q & A: [7, 6] & [41, 53]
```

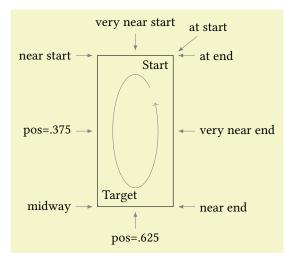
In TikZ, the path specification rectangle, parabola, sin and cos do not provide their own timer, i.e. a node placing algorithm that is dependent on the actual path. For rectangle the timer of the straight line between the rectangle's corners is used, for the other paths, nodes, coordinates, pics, etc. are placed on the last coordinate. This library allows this.

# 14.1 Rectangle

For the rectangle path operator, the timer starts with pos = 0 (= at start) from the starting coordinate in a counter-clockwise direction along the rectangle. The corners will be at positions 0.0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75 and 1.0.

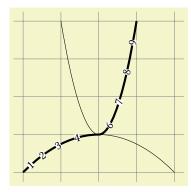
```
/tikz/ext/rectangle timer=line or rectangle
pre 0.6 /tikz/rectangle timer
(no default)
```

By default, the library activates the new (correct) timer for rectangle. With rectangle timer = line the original line timer can be reinstated.

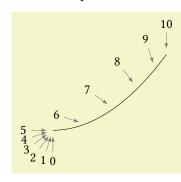


# 14.2 Parabola

For the parabola path operator the timer is similar to the .. controls .. operator. The position 0.5 will lie at the bend.



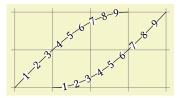
If no bend is specified half the positions will collapse into one end of the curve.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.paths.timer}
\begin{tikzpicture}[every pin edge/.style={latex-, shorten <=1pt, gray}]
\draw (-2,-2) parabola (1,0)
  foreach \pos in {0, 1, ..., 10} {
     node [pos=\pos/10, pin={[anchor=-18*\pos+90]-18*\pos+270:\pos}]{}
  };
\end{tikzpicture}</pre>
```

# 14.3 Sine/Cosine

The sin and cos path operators also allow placing of nodes along their paths.



# 15 Using Images as a Pattern

```
TikZ Library ext.patterns.images
```

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.patterns.images} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.patterns.images] % ConTEXt
```

This library allows to use an image to be used as a repeating pattern for a path.

```
Q & A: [17] & [52]
```

With this library arbitrary images (or indeed PDF documents) can be used as a repeating pattern for the background of a path. This is a two-step process:

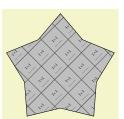
- 1. Declaring an image as an "image-pattern".
- 2. Using the "image-pattern".

```
\tikzextsetupimageaspattern[\langle options \rangle] \{\langle name \rangle\} \{\langle image \rangle\}
```

pre 0.6 \pgfsetupimageaspattern

#### /tikz/ext/image as pattern=\langle options\rangle

pre 0.6 /tikz/image as pattern



```
/tikz/ext/image as pattern/name=\langle name \rangle
```

(no default)

(default {})

pre 0.6 /tikz/image as pattern/name

Specifies the name of the "image-pattern" to be used.

#### /tikz/ext/image as pattern/option

(style, no value)

pre 0.6 /tikz/image as pattern/option

Options that will be used by the internal \pgftext, only keys from /pgf/text should be used.

#### /tikz/ext/image as pattern/options=\langle style \rangle

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/image as pattern/options

Appends to style /tikz/ext/image as pattern/option.

# 16 Positioning Plus

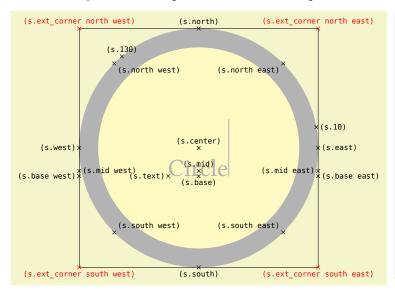
#### TikZ Library ext.positioning-plus

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.positioning-plus} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.positioning-plus] % ConTEXt
```

With the help of the positioning and the fit library this extends the placement of nodes.

### 16.1 Useful corner anchors

The anchors ext\_corner north east, ext\_corner south west, ext\_corner south west and ext\_corner south east are defined as "generic anchors", i. e. they are defined for all shapes. This is mostly useful for the placement of circular shapes.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.positioning-plus}
\Huge
\begin{tikzpicture}
\node[name=s,shape=circle,shape example,scale=.75,outer sep=auto]
  {Circle\vrule width 1pt height 2cm};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in {
  north west/below right, north/above, north east/below left,
  west/left, center/above, east/right,
  mid west/right, mid/above, mid east/left,
  base west/left, base/below, base east/right,
  south west/above right, south/below, south east/above left,
  text/left, 10/right, 130/above}
  \draw[node font=\scriptsize, shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
    node[\placement] {\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\draw (s.ext_corner north west) rectangle (s.ext_corner south east);
\foreach \anchor/\placement in {
  corner north west/above, corner north east/above,
  corner south west/below, corner south east/below}
  \displaystyle \frac{\draw[node font=\scriptsize, red, shift=(s.ext_\anchor)] \plot[mark=x] \coordinates{(0,0)}}{\draw[node font=\scriptsize, red, shift=(s.ext_\anchor)] \plot[mark=x] \coordinates{(0,0)}}
    node[\placement] {\texttt{(s.ext\textunderscore\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

### 16.2 Useful placement keys for vertical and horizontal alignment

```
(default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/left=\langle specification \rangle
/tikz/ext/right=\langle specification \rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/above=\langle specification\rangle
/tikz/ext/below=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/above left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/below left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default Opt)
/tikz/ext/above right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/below right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/mid left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/mid right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/base left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/base right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                        (default 0pt)
```

While the  $\langle specification \rangle$  of all these keys still accept the same form as with TikZ, the ext.positioning-plus library extends this even more.

The specification after of can contain a list of coordinates (like the fit key of the fit library). This means that the new node will be placed in relation to a rectangular bounding box that fits around all this nodes in the list.

If this list is prefixed with |, - or +, the new node will also have the same height (|), the same width (-) or both as this bounding box.

```
\text{\langle \textstyle \textsty
```

As you maybe noticed in the example above, the  $\langle specification \rangle$  also allows a prefix delimited by : which the node distance will be multiplied to with for the placement.<sup>5</sup>

The fitting functionality is also available without the placement.

```
\begin{tabular}{ll} $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span vertical=} & \text{ino default} \\ $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span vertical=} & \text{ino default} \\ $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span horizontal=} & \text{ino default} \\ $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span=} & \text{ino default} \\ $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span-} & \text{ino default} \\ $$ $ \text{tikz/ext/span-
```

These all create a rectangular node with the name  $ext_fit$  bounding box that encompasses the  $\langle list\ of\ coordinates \rangle$ .

The span vertical key will also set /pgf/minimum height to the height of this bounding box

The span horizontal key will also set /pgf/minimum width to the width of this bounding box

The last one combines span vertical and span horizontal.

```
/tikz/ext/north left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/south left=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/north right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/south right=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/west above=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/west below=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/east above=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
/tikz/ext/east below=\langle specification\rangle
                                                                                       (default 0pt)
```

These work similarly to left, right, above and below but they are north- or south-aligned.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>This is probably more useful when /tikz/on grid is used.

The same exist for the recently introduces corner anchors, too.		<pre>/tikz/ext/corner north right=\langle specification\rangle</pre>	(default Opt)	
		<pre>/tikz/ext/corner south right=\langle specification\rangle</pre>	(default 0pt)	
<pre>/tikz/ext/corner above left=\langle specification\rangle</pre>	(default Opt)	<pre>/tikz/ext/corner west above=\langle specification\rangle</pre>	(default Opt)	
/tikz/ext/corner below left=\(\specification\)	(default 0pt)	<pre>/tikz/ext/corner west below=(specification)</pre>	(default Opt)	
/tikz/ext/corner above right=\(\specification\)	(default 0pt)	/tikz/ext/corner east above= $\langle specification \rangle$	(default 0pt)	
/tikz/ext/corner below right=\(\specification\)	(default 0pt)	<pre>/tikz/ext/corner east below=(specification)</pre>	(default Opt)	
/tikz/ext/corner north left=(specification)	(default 0pt)	These work the same as above left, below left, but they use the new generic		
<pre>/tikz/ext/corner south left=⟨specification⟩</pre>	(default Opt)	corner anchors		

# 17 Scaling Pictures to a Specific Size

#### TikZ Library ext.scalepicture

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.scalepicture} % Land plain T<sub>E</sub>X \usetikzlibrary[ext.scalepicture] % ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt
```

This library scales TikZ pictures to a specific width or height by scaling the whole picture.

If one of the keys below are used on a TikZ picture, meaning as an option to tikzpicture or  $begin{tikzpicture}$ , the size of the picture will be measured and written to the Aux file so that it will be available at the next compilation run and an appropriate scaling for the picture can be installed.

#### \tikzextpicturewidth

Returns the last measured width of the picture.

This will expand to 0pt if the picture hasn't been measured before.

### \tikzextpictureheight

Returns the last measured height of the picture.

This will expand to 0pt if the picture hasn't been measured before.

### /tikz/ext/save picture size

(style, no value)

pre 0.6 /tikz/save picture size

This key is usually used by the keys provided by this library. Normally, this is not needed to be explicitly given.

### 17.1 Externalization

As this library usually needs multiple compilations to produce stable pictures it is incompatible with the external library.

However, the library provides support for the memoize [60] package. When it is used the arguments to the keys below will be saved as the context of the memo. This means that the arguments need to be a valid \dimexpr expression.

### 17.2 Keeping the aspect ratio

The following  ${\it unstarred}$  keys do not change the aspect ratio of the picture.

```
/tikz/ext/picture width=\langle dimension\rangle
```

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/picture width

Scales the picture so that the width of the picture will be  $\langle dimension \rangle$ . This will keep the aspect ratio the same.

```
/tikz/ext/minimum picture width=\langle dimension\rangle
```

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/minimum picture width

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its width is greater than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

### $/\text{tikz/ext/maximum picture width=} \langle dimension \rangle$

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/maximum picture width

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its width is less than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

#### /tikz/ext/picture height=\(dimension\)

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/picture height

Scales the picture so that the height of the picture will be  $\langle dimension \rangle$ . This will keep the aspect ratio the same.

#### /tikz/ext/minimum picture height=(dimension)

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/minimum picture height

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its height is greater than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

### /tikz/ext/maximum picture height=⟨dimension⟩

(no default)

pre 0.6 /tikz/maximum picture height

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its height is less than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

 $/\text{tikz/ext/minimum picture size} = {\langle width \rangle} {\langle height \rangle}$ 

(no default)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>This is the size of the pseudo-node current bounding box.

pre 0.6 /tikz/minimum picture size

Scales the picture so that its height will be at least  $\langle width \rangle$  and its height will be at least  $\langle height \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/maximum picture size=\{\langle width \rangle\}\{\langle height \rangle\}
                                                                                          (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/maximum picture size
```

Scales the picture so that its height will be at most (width) and its height will be at most  $\langle height \rangle$ .

#### Changing the aspect ratio 17.3

The following *starred* keys do change the aspect ratio.

```
/tikz/ext/picture width*=\langle dimension\rangle
                                                                                   (no default)
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/picture width\*

Scales the picture so that the width of the picture will be  $\langle dimension \rangle$ . This will only scale the *x* axis.

```
/tikz/ext/minimum picture width*=\langle dimension\rangle
                                                                             (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/minimum picture width*
```

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its width is greater than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/maximum picture width*=⟨dimension⟩
                                                                 (no default)
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/maximum picture width\*

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its width is less than ⟨dimension⟩.

```
/tikz/ext/picture height*=\langle dimension\rangle
                                                                                  (no default)
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/picture height\*

Scales the picture so that the height of the picture will be  $\langle dimension \rangle$ . This will only scale the  $\gamma$  axis.

```
/tikz/ext/minimum picture height*=\langle dimension\rangle
                                                                             (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/minimum picture height*
```

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its height is greater than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/maximum picture height*=\langle dimension\rangle
                                                                             (no default)
pre 0.6 /tikz/maximum picture height*
```

As above but will not change the size of the picture if its height is less than  $\langle dimension \rangle$ .

```
(no default)
/\text{tikz/ext/picture size*} = {\langle width \rangle} {\langle height \rangle}
pre 0.6 /tikz/picture size*
```

Scales the picture so that its width will be  $\langle width \rangle$  and its height will be  $\langle height \rangle$ .

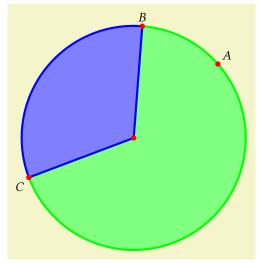
This will scale both axes but independent from each other.

# 18 Arcs through Three Points

### TikZ Library ext.topaths.arcthrough

\usetikzlibrary{ext.topaths.arcthrough} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.topaths.arcthrough] % ConTEXt

This library allows to use an arc defined by three points.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.topaths.arcthrough}
\usetikzpicture}
\usetikzpicture
\usetikzpicture}
\usetikzpicture
\usetikzpicture}
\usetikzpicture
\usetikzpicture
\usetikzpicture}
\usetikzpicture
\usetikzpictu
```

This can only by used for circles in the canvas coordinate system.

```
\t 	ext{tikz/ext/arc through/through=} \t 	ext{(no default, initially (0,0))}  pre 0.6 \t 	ext{tikz/arc through/through}
```

The coordinate on the circle that defines – together with the starting and target point – a circle.

```
/tikz/ext/arc through/center suffix=\langle suffix \rangle (no default, initially ) pre 0.6 /tikz/arc trough/center suffix
```

The arc through will define a coordinate named arc through center  $\langle suffix \rangle$  so that it can be referenced later.

```
/tikz/ext/arc through/clockwise
pre 0.6 /tikz/arc trough/clockwise
(no value)
```

The resulting arc will go clockwise from the starting point to the target point. This will not necessarily go through the through point.

```
/tikz/ext/arc through/counter clockwise
pre 0.6 /tikz/arc trough/counter clockwise
(no value)
```

The resulting arc will go counter clockwise from the starting point to the target point. This will not necessarily go through the through point.

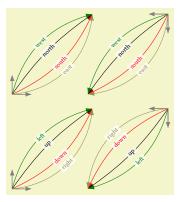
```
\label{through} $$ $ \text{through=} \langle key\text{-}value \rangle $$ no default$ pre 0.6 / tikz/arc through$ } $$
```

This key should be used with to or edge. A parameter other than center suffix, clockwise or counter clockwise will be assumed to be the through coordinate.

# 19 Autobending

Works like autobend up but bends the curve rightwards.

```
TikZ Library ext.topaths.autobend
    \usetikzlibrary{ext.topaths.autobend} % LATEX and plain TEX
    \usetikzlibrary[ext.topaths.autobend] % ConTFXt
    This library provides various bended to paths that bend in the specified direction.
    Q & A: [23] & [34]
   The keys /tikz/bend left and /tikz/bend left from TikZ bend the requested curve in relation of the connecting coordinates/nodes.
   The keys provided by this library bend the curve in the direction relative to the paper (north, south, west and east) or relative to the current coordinate system (up, down, left
and right).
/tikz/ext/autobend north=\langle angle \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
    Works like the bend left and bend right options but bends the curve to the top of the page (i. e. it ignores the current transformation).
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
/tikz/ext/autobend south=\langle angle \rangle
    Works like autobend north but bends the curve to the bottom of the page.
/tikz/ext/autobend west=\langle angle \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
    Works like autobend north but bends the curve to the left of the page.
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
/tikz/ext/autobend east=\langle angle \rangle
    Works like autobend north but bends the curve to the right of the page.
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
/tikz/ext/autobend up=\langle angle \rangle
    Works like the bend left and bend right options but bends the curve upwards (i. e. it observes the current transformation).
/tikz/ext/autobend down=\langle angle \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
    Works like autobend up but bends the curve downwards.
/tikz/ext/autobend left=\langle angle \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
    Works like autobend up but bends the curve leftwards.
/tikz/ext/autobend right=\langle angle \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (default last value)
```



```
\usetikzlibrary {arrows.meta, ext.topaths.autobend}
\begin{tikzpicture}[
  every path/.append style=-Latex,
  pics/cs/.style={
   /tikz/transform shape,
    code={\draw[help lines, Latex-Latex] (up:1) |- (right:1);}
 },
  nodes={sloped, fill=white, inner ysep=+.1em, fill opacity=.8, text opacity=1, scale=.5}]
\foreach[count=\i] \c/\d in {black/north, red/south,
                             green!50!black/west, yellow!50!black/east}
  \del{draw}(c) (0,0) pic {cs} to[ext/autobend <math>d=1i0] node{\d} +(45:3);
\foreach[count=\i] \c/\d in {black/north, red/south,
                             green!50!black/west, yellow!50!black/east}
  \draw[shift=(right:2), rotate=180, \c]
          (45:-3) pic \{cs\} to[ext/autobend \d=\i0] node\{\d\} (0,0);
\tikzset{shift=(down:2.5)}
\foreach[count=\i] \c/\d in {black/up, red/down,
                             green!50!black/left, yellow!50!black/right}
 \draw[\c] (0,0) pic {cs} to[ext/autobend \d=\i0] node{\d} +(45:3);
\foreach[count=\i] \c/\d in {black/up, red/down,
                             green!50!black/left, yellow!50!black/right}
 \draw[shift=(right:2), rotate=180, \c]
          (45:-3) pic {cs} to[ext/autobend d=1i\theta] node{\d} (0,0);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 20 Mirror, Mirror on the Wall

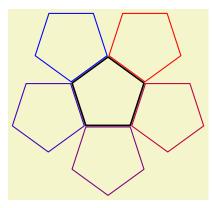
### TikZ Library ext.transformations.mirror

```
\usetikzlibrary{ext.transformations.mirror} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.transformations.mirror] % ConTEXt
```

This library adds more transformations to TikZ.

As explained in section 22, there are two approaches to setting a mirror transformation. As with the commands in PGF, we'll be using a lowercase m for the reflection matrix and an uppercase M for the built-in approach.

# 20.1 Using the reflection matrix

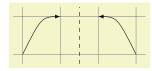


/tikz/ext/xmirror=(value or coordinate)

(default 0pt)

pre 0.6 /tikz/xmirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a horizontal line that goes through point ( $\langle value \rangle$ , 0) or  $\langle coordinate \rangle$ .



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\usetikzpicture}
\draw[help lines] (-0.25, -.25) grid (3.25, 1.25);
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\draw[dashed] (1.5, -.25) coordinate (m) -- (1.5, 1.25);
\draw[ext/xmirror=(m),-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

/tikz/ext/ymirror=⟨value or coordinate⟩ (default 0pt)

pre 0.6 /tikz/ymirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a vertical line that goes through point  $(0, \langle value \rangle)$  or  $\langle coordinate \rangle$ .

 $/\text{tikz/ext/mirror } x = \langle coordinate \rangle$  (default (0,0))

pre 0.6 /tikz/mirror x

Similar to xmirror, this however uses the xyz coordinate system instead of the canvas system.



```
\begin{tikzpicture} [x=.5cm, y=(45:1cm)] \
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1); \
\draw[dashed] (1.5, -.25) coordinate (m) -- (1.5, 1.25); \
\draw[ ext/xmirror=(m), -latex, red, dotted] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1); \
\draw[ext/mirror x=(m), -latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1); \
\end{tikzpicture}
```

 $/\text{tikz/ext/mirror } y = \langle coordinate \rangle$  (default (0,0))

pre 0.6 /tikz/mirror y

Similar to ymirror, this however uses the xyz coordinate system instead of the canvas system.

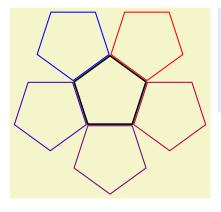
 $\t$ tikz/ext/mirror= $\protect\$ point  $A \$ -- $\protect\$ point  $B \$ 

pre 0.6 /tikz/mirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a line that goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and  $\langle point B \rangle$ .

When only  $\langle point A \rangle$  is given that line goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and the origin.

### 20.2 Using built-in transformations



```
/tikz/ext/xMirror=(value or coordinate)
```

(default 0pt)

pre 0.6 /tikz/xMirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a horizontal line that goes through point ( $\langle value \rangle$ , 0) or  $\langle coordinate \rangle$ .



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\usetikzpicture}
\draw[help lines] (-0.25, -.25) grid (3.25, 1.25);
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\draw[dashed] (1.5, -.25) coordinate (m) -- (1.5, 1.25);
\draw[ext/xMirror=(m),-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

```
/tikz/ext/yMirror=(value or coordinate)
```

(default 0pt)

pre 0.6 /tikz/yMirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a vertical line that goes through point  $(0, \langle value \rangle)$  or  $\langle coordinate \rangle$ .

```
/tikz/ext/Mirror x=\langle coordinate\rangle
```

(default (0,0))

pre 0.6 /tikz/Mirror x

Similar to xMirror, this however uses the xyz coordinate system instead of the canvas system.

```
\begin{tikzpicture} [x=.5cm, y=(45:1cm)]

\draw[-latex] (0,0) ... controls (.5,1) ... (1,1);

\draw[dashed] (1.5, -.25) coordinate (m) -- (1.5, 1.25);

\draw[ ext/xMirror=(m), -latex, red, dotted] (0,0) ... controls (.5,1) ... (1,1);
\draw[ext/Mirror x=(m), -latex] (0,0) ... controls (.5,1) ... (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

```
/tikz/ext/Mirror y=⟨coordinate⟩ (default (0,0))
```

pre 0.6 /tikz/Mirror y

Similar to yMirror, this however uses the xyz coordinate system instead of the canvas system.

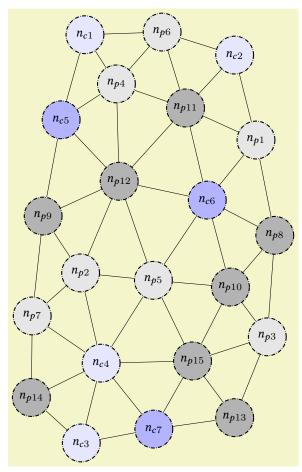
Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a line that goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and  $\langle point B \rangle$ .

When only  $\langle point A \rangle$  is given that line goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and the origin.

### Part III

# **PGF Libraries**

These libraries (should) work with both PGF and TikZ.



```
\usetikzlibrary {graphs,graphdrawing,ext.misc} \usegdlibrary {force}
\tikzset{
  mynode/.style={
    circle, minimum size=10mm, draw, densely dashdotted, thick,
    decide color/.expand once=#1},
  decide color/.style 2 args={
    /utils/ext/if=c#1
      {/utils/ext/ifnum={#2<5}{bluelight}{bluedark}}
      {/utils/ext/ifnum={#2<8}{light}{dark}}},
  light/.style={fill=gray!20}, bluelight/.style={fill=blue!10},
  dark/.style ={fill=gray!60}, bluedark/.style ={fill=blue!30}}
\tikz\graph[
  spring electrical layout, vertical=c2 to p13,
  node distance=1.5cm, typeset=$n_{\tikzgraphnodetext}$,
  nodes={mynode=\tikzgraphnodetext}] {
  % outer ring
  c2 -- {p1, p11, p6};
    p1 -- {p8, c6, p11};
      p8 -- {p3, p10, c6};
       p3 -- {p13, p15, p10};
         p13 -- {p15, c7};
           c7 -- {c3, c4, p15};
           c3 -- {p14, c4};
           p14 -- {p7, c4};
         p7 -- {p9, p2, c4};
       p9 -- {c5, p12, p2};
     c5 -- {c1, p4, p12};
   c1 -- {p6, p4};
  p6 -- {p11, p4};
  % inner ring
  p11 -- {c6, p12, p4};
  p5 -- {c6 -- {p10, p12}, p10 -- p15, p15 -- c4, c4 -- p2, p2 -- p12, p12 -- p4};
};
```

# 21 Arrow Tips

### TikZ Library ext.arrows

```
\usepgflibrary{ext.arrows} % \&T_EX and plain T_EX and pure pgf \usepgflibrary[ext.arrows] % ConT_EXt and pure pgf \usetikzlibrary{ext.arrows} % \&T_EX and plain T_EX when using TikZ \usetikzlibrary[ext.arrows] % ConT_EXt when using TikZ This library adds arrows to PGF/TikZ.

Q & A: [15, 9, 4, 13, 19] & [45, 32, 50, 43, 29]
```

The arrow tips of the arrows.meta library always just touch the end of original line – which is usually what you want.

But for some arrow tips (and when they lie along a path) it makes sense that these tips shoot a bit over the end of the line. This is why these arrow tips exist. They can be categorized into three groups:

- 1. Centered
- 2. Untipped
- 3. Overtipped<sup>7</sup>

Not all original arrow tips got all variants. For a summary, refer to table on the right side. As with the original tips of the arrows.meta library these can be organized in the following categories.

	1 archinesis	<del>, , ,</del> ,	,,	
	Hooks	<del>}}</del> }	_	_
	Straight Barb	$\longrightarrow \rightarrow$	-	_
	Tee Barb	$I \longrightarrow II$	$\mathbf{I}$	_
	Bar	<b>├</b>	<b>⊢</b>	_
	Bracket	<del>) ]</del>	<del>) ]</del>	-
Geometric	Circle	•••	•••	-
	Ellipse	•	•	_
	Kite	<b></b>	_	_
	Diamond	<b>**</b>	_	_
	Turned Square	<b>**</b>	-	_
	LaTeX	_	_	-
	Square		-	_
	Rectangle		-	_
	Stealth	<b>&gt;&gt;&gt;</b>	_	_
	Triangle	<b></b>	-	-
Rays	Rays	×××	_	-

Centered

Untipped

Overtipped

Original

Arc Barb

Parenthesis

Group

Barbed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>The Overtipped arrow tips aren't yet implemented.

#### 21.1 Centered

#### 21.1.1 Barbed Arrow Tips

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Arc Barb

pre 0.6 Centered Arc Barb

This is a variant of the Arc Barb tip. The center of the arc lies on the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Bar

pre 0.6 Centered Bar

A variant of the simple Bar tip. This is a simple instance of ext Centered Tee Barb for length zero.

The middle of the line will lie on original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Bracket

pre 0.6 Centered Bracket

This is a variant of the Bracket tip and therefore an instance of the ext\_Centered Tee Barb arrow tip that results in something resembling a bracket.

The middle of the vertical part will lie on the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Hooks

pre 0.6 Centered Hooks

A variant of the Hooks tip. The starting point of the hooks will lie on the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Parenthesis

pre 0.6 Centered Parenthesis

This is a variant of the Parenthesis tip and thus an instance of the ext\_Centered Arc Barb arrow tip.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Straight Barb

pre 0.6 Centered Straight Barb

A variant of the Straight Barb tip.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Tee Barb

pre 0.6 Centered Tee Barb

A variant of the Tee Barb tip.

The middle of the vertical part will lie on the original end of the path.

#### 21.1.2 Geometric Arrow Tips

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Circle

pre 0.6 Centered Circle

A variant of the Circle tip. The center of the circle will lie on the original end of the path.

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Diamond

pre 0.6 Centered Diamond

This is a variant of the Diamond tip and thus an instance of ext\_Centered Kite where the length is larger than the width.

### **Arrow Tip Kind** ext\_Centered Ellipse

pre 0.6 Centered Ellipse

This is a variant of the Ellipse tip and thus another name for the ext Centered Circle tip that is twice as wide as high.

### **Arrow Tip Kind** ext\_Centered Kite

pre 0.6 Centered Kite

A variant of the Kite tip.

The widest part will lie on the original end of the path.

### ${\bf Arrow}\; {\bf Tip}\; {\bf Kind}\; {\tt ext\_Centered}\;\; {\tt Rectangle}$

pre 0.6 Centered Rectangle

A variant of the Rectangle tip. By default, it is twice as long as high.

### **Arrow Tip Kind** ext\_Centered Square

pre 0.6 Centered Square

A variant of the Square tip.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Centered Stealth

pre 0.6 Centered Stealth

This is a variant of the Stealth tip.

The weighted center will lie at the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Triangle

pre 0.6 Centered Triangle

This is a variant of the Triangle tip and thus an instance of the ext\_Centered Kite tip with zero inset.

#### **Arrow Tip Kind** ext Centered Turned Square

pre 0.6 Centered Turned Square

This is a variant of the Turned Square tip and thus an instance of the ext\_Centered Kite tip with identical width and height and mid-inset.

### 21.1.3 Special Arrow Tips

### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Rays

pre 0.6 Centered Rays

A variant of the Rays tip. The origin of the rays will lie on the original end of the path.

### 21.2 Untipped

### 21.2.1 Barbed Arrow Tips

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext Centered Arc Barb

pre 0.6 Centered Arc Barb

This is a variant of the Arc Barb tip. The arrow tip will protrude half its line width over the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Bar

pre 0.6 Untipped Bar

A variant of the simple Bar tip. This is a simple instance of ext\_Untipped Tee Barb for length zero.

The middle of the line will lie on original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Bracket

pre 0.6 Untipped Bracket

This is a variant of the Bracket tip and therefore an instance of the ext\_Untipped Tee Barb arrow tip that results in something resembling a bracket.

The arrow tip will protrude half its line width over the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Parenthesis

pre 0.6 Untipped Parenthesis

This is a variant of the Parenthesis tip and thus an instance of the ext\_Untipped Arc Barb arrow tip.

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Tee Barb

pre 0.6 Untipped Tee Barb

A variant of the Tee Barb tip.

The middle of the vertical part will lie on the original end of the path.

#### 21.2.2 Geometric Arrow Tips

#### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Circle

pre 0.6 Untipped Circle

A variant of the Circle tip. This tip will protrude half its line width over the original end of the path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Untipped Ellipse

pre 0.6 Untipped Ellipse

This is a variant of the Ellipse tip and thus another name for the ext Untipped Circle tip that is twice as wide as high.

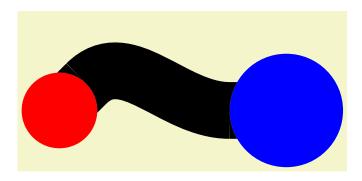
## 21.3 Original Arrow Tips

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Hug Cap

pre 0.6 Hug Cap

This arrow tips will hug a circle that would touch the end of the path.

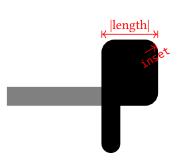
Use the /pgf/arrow keys/length key to set up the radius of that circle.



### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Loop

pre 0.6 Loop

This arrow tip attaches a one-sided loop to the end of the line. The length refers to the length of the whole tip while the inset specifies the radius of the three rounded corners. The width of the tip is twice the length (but can't specified independently).



Appearance of the below at line width	0.4pt	0.8pt	1.6pt
ext_Loop[]	— <b>,</b> thin	<b>─</b> thick	-
ext_Loop[sep] ext_Loop[]	<del>— ₱₱</del> thin	<b>−-</b> thick	
ext_Loop[sep] . ext_Loop[]	— <b>₽₽</b> thin	<b>−</b> •• thick	
ext_Loop[open]	——← thin	—— thick	<b>—</b> →
ext_Loop[open, swap]	$\longrightarrow$ thin	—⊢ thick	<u>—</u> Ь
ext_Loop[length=5pt,inset=0pt]	—— thin	— thick	
ext_Loop[reversed]	——¶ thin	——¶ thick	-
ext_Loop[slant=.3]	— <b>,</b> thin	<b>−</b> thick	
ext_Loop[red]	——• thin	<b></b> thick	-

The following options have no effect: harpoon, round, line width.

On double lines, the arrow tip will not look correct.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext Double Stealth

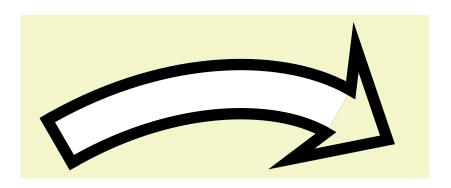
This arrow tip is similar to the original Stealth, its back is left open so that it aligns neatly to a doubled path.

### Arrow Tip Kind ext\_Double Triangle

This arrow tip is similar to the original Triangle, its back is left open so that it aligns neatly to a doubled path.

# $\boldsymbol{Arrow\ Tip\ Kind\ ext\_Double\ Cap}$

This arrow tip closes a doubled line so that it not left open.



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.arrows}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\draw[
    ext_Double Cap-ext_Double Stealth,
    double distance=1cm,
    line width=3mm
] (0,0) to[bend left] (right:9);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 22 Transformations: Mirroring

PGF Library ext.transformations.mirror

```
\usepgflibrary{ext.transformations.mirror} % LATEX and plain TEX \usepgflibrary[ext.transformations.mirror] % ConTEXt
```

This library adds mirror transformations to PGF.

Two approaches to mirror transformation exist:

- Using the reflection matrix (see left column).
   This depends on \pgfpointnormalised which involves the sine and the cosine functions of PGFmath.
- Using built-in transformations (see right column).
   This depends on \pgfmathanglebetweenpoints which involves the arctangent (atan2) function of PGFmath.

Which one is better? I don't know. Choose one you're comfortable with.

### 22.1 Using the reflection matrix

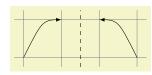
The following commands use the reflection matrix that sets the transformation matrix following

$$A = \frac{1}{\|\vec{l}\|^2} \begin{bmatrix} l_x^2 - l_y^2 & 2l_x l_y \\ 2l_x l_y & l_y^2 - l_x^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgftransformxmirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a vertical line that goes through point ( $\langle value \rangle$ , 0).



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\draw[help lines] (-.25, -.25) grid (3.25, 1.25);
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\draw[dashed] (1.5, -.25) -- (1.5, 1.25);
\pgfexttransformxmirror{1.5}
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 22.2 Using built-in transformations

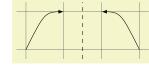
The following commands use a combination of shifting, rotating, -1 scaling, rotating back and shifting back to reach the mirror transformation.

The commands are named the same as on the left side, only the m in mirror is capitalized.

### \pgfexttransformxMirror{\langle value \rangle}

pre 0.6 \pgftransformxMirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a vertical line that goes through point ( $\langle value \rangle$ , 0).



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\useptrackledraw[help lines] (-.25, -.25) grid (3.25, 1.25);
\underset draw[-latex] (0,0) ... controls (.5,1) ... (1,1);
```

#### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgftransformymirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a horizontal line that goes through point  $(0, \langle value \rangle)$ .

### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgftransformmirror

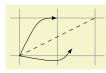
Sets up a transformation that mirrors along the line that goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and  $\langle point B \rangle$ .



### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgfqtransformmirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along the line that goes through the origin and  $\langle point A \rangle$ .



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\draw[help lines] (-.25, -.25) grid (2.25, 1.25);
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\draw[dashed] (0, 0) -- (2, 1);
\pgfextqtransformmirror{\pgfpointxy{2}{1}}
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

#### \pgfexttransformyMirror{\langle value \rangle}

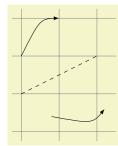
pre 0.6 \pgftransformyMirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along a horizontal line that goes through point  $(0, \langle value \rangle)$ .

#### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgftransformMirror

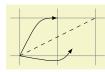
Sets up a transformation that mirrors along the line that goes through  $\langle point A \rangle$  and  $\langle point B \rangle$ .



### $\protect\pro$

pre 0.6 \pgfqtransformMirror

Sets up a transformation that mirrors along the line that goes through the origin and  $\langle point A \rangle$ .

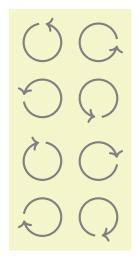


```
\usepgflibrary {ext.transformations.mirror}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\draw[help lines] (-.25, -.25) grid (2.25, 1.25);
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\draw[dashed] (0, 0) -- (2, 1);
\pgfextqtransformMirror{\pgfpointxy{2}{1}}
\draw[-latex] (0,0) .. controls (.5,1) .. (1,1);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

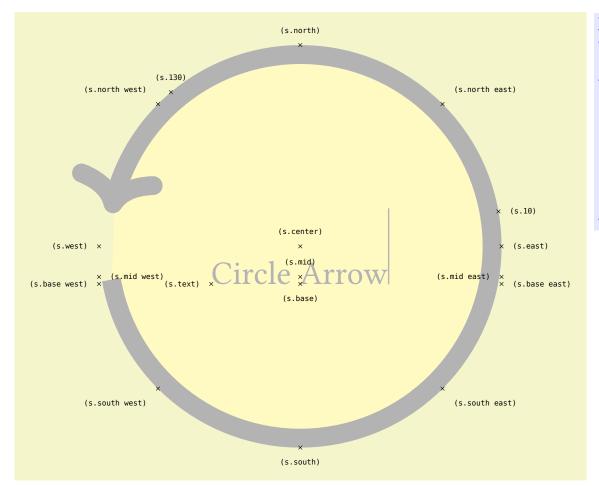
# 23 Shape: Circle Arrow

```
TikZ Library ext.shapes.circlearrow
    \usepgflibrary{ext.shapes.circlearrow} % LAT<sub>F</sub>X and plain T<sub>F</sub>X and pure pgf
    \usepgflibrary[ext.shapes.circlearrow] % ConT<sub>F</sub>Xt and pure pgf
    \usetikzlibrary{ext.shapes.circlearrow} % LTFX and plain TFX when using TikZ
    \usetikzlibrary[ext.shapes.circlearrow] % ConTFXt when using TikZ
    A circular shape named circle arrow that has an arc as its background path that can have an arrow tip.
    Q & A: [27] & [47]
Shape ext circle arrow
    This shape is an arrow whose path is an arc – defined very similar to the arc path operation – that can possibly be customized with arrow tips.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow start angle=(start angle)
                                                                                                                                                  (no default, initially {})
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow start angle
         Sets the start angle.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow end angle=⟨end angle⟩
                                                                                                                                                  (no default, initially {})
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow end angle
         Sets the end angle.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow delta angle=\langle\langle
                                                                                                                                                  (no default, initially {})
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow delta angle
         Sets the delta angle.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow arrows=\(start arrow tip specification\)-\(end arrow tip specification\)
                                                                                                                                                   (no default, initially -)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow arrows
         The specification will be forwarded to \pgfsetarrows.
    A few handful styles are pre-defined.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn left north
                                                                                                                                                               (no value)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn left north
         Sets circle arrow start angle = 100, circle arrow delta angle = 340 and circle arrow arrows = ->.
     /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn left east
                                                                                                                                                               (no value)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn left east
         As above but circle arrow start angle = 10.
```

/pgf/ext/circle arrow turn left west (no value) pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn left west As above but circle arrow start angle = 280. (no value) /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn left south pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn left south As above but circle arrow start angle = 190. /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn right north (no value) pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn right north Sets circle arrow start angle = 100, circle arrow delta angle = 340 and circle arrow arrows = <-. /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn right east (no value) pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn right east As above but circle arrow start angle = 10. (no value) /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn right west pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn right west As above but circle arrow start angle = 280. (no value) /pgf/ext/circle arrow turn right south pre 0.6 /pgf/circle arrow turn right south As above but circle arrow start angle = 190.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.shapes.circlearrow,matrix}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\matrix[matrix of nodes, draw=none, row sep=lem, column sep=lem,
    every node/.style={draw=gray, shape=ext_circle arrow, ultra thick, inner sep=lem}
] (m) {
    [[ext/circle arrow turn left north]] & [[ext/circle arrow turn left east]] \\
    [[ext/circle arrow turn left west]] & [[ext/circle arrow turn left south]] \\
    [[ext/circle arrow turn right north]] & [[ext/circle arrow turn right east]] \\
    [[ext/circle arrow turn right west]] & [[ext/circle arrow turn right south]] \\
};
\text{end{tikzpicture}}
```



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.shapes.circlearrow}
\begin{tikzpicture}\Huge
\node[name=s, shape=ext_circle arrow,
 ext/circle arrow turn left west, shape example]
 {Circle Arrow\vrule width 1pt height 2cm};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in
 {north west/above left, north/above,
  north east/above right,
  west/left, center/above, east/right,
  mid west/right, mid/above, mid east/left,
  base west/left, base/below, base east/right,
  south west/below left, south/below,
  south east/below right,
  text/left, 10/right, 130/above}
  \draw[shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
    node[\placement] {\scriptsize\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 24 Shape: Circle Cross Split

### TikZ Library ext.shapes.circlecrosssplit

```
\label{thm:contents} $$\sup_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sup_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sup_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sup_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ when using $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sup_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_EX$ and pure pgf $$\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}X$ and plain $T_EX$ and plain $T_E
```

### Shape ext circle cross split

This shape has four node parts that are placed near the center of a circle.

```
/pgf/ext/circle cross split part fill=\{\langle list \rangle\} (no default, initially none) pre 0.6 /pgf/circle cross split part fill
```

Sets the custom fill color for each node part shape. The items in  $\langle list \rangle$  should be separated by commas (so if there is more than one item in  $\langle list \rangle$ , it must be surrounded by braces). If  $\langle list \rangle$  has less entries than node parts, then the remaining node parts use the color from the last entry in the list. This key will automatically set /pgf/circle cross split uses custom fill.

```
/pgf/ext/circle\ cross\ split\ uses\ custom\ fill=\langle boolean \rangle (default true) pre 0.6 /pgf/circle\ cross\ split\ uses\ custom\ fill
```

This enables the use of a custom fill for each of the node parts (including the area covered by the inner sep). The background path for the shape should not be filled (e. g., in TikZ, the fill option for the node must be implicitly or explicitly set to none). Internally, this key sets the TeX-if \iff \iff circlecrosssplit customfill appropriately.



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.shapes.circlecrosssplit}
\begin{tikzpicture}\Huge
\node[name=s, shape=ext circle cross split, shape example, inner xsep=1.5cm, fill=none,
 ext/circle cross split part fill={green,blue,red,yellow!90!black}]
{\nodepart{text}text\nodepart{two}two
        \nodepart{three}three\nodepart{four}four};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in
   {north west/above left, north/above,
                                              north east/above right,
           west/left,
                          center/left,
                                                   east/right,
      mid west/right,
                             mid/left,
                                               mid east/left,
      base west/left,
                            base/left,
                                              base east/right,
lower base west/left, lower base/below, lower base east/right,
lower mid west/left, lower mid/above, lower mid east/right,
     south west/below left, south/below,
                                             south east/below right,
   text/below, 10/right, 130/above, two/left, three/left, four/left}
  \draw[shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
    node[\placement] {\scriptsize\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 25 Shape: Heatmark

```
TikZ Library ext.shapes.heatmark
     \usepgflibrary{ext.shapes.heatmark} % LTFX and plain TFX and pure pgf
     \usepgflibrary[ext.shapes.heatmark] % ConTFXt and pure pgf
    \usetikzlibrary{ext.shapes.heatmark} % LATEX and plain TEX when using TikZ
     \usetikzlibrary[ext.shapes.heatmark] % ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt when using TikZ
    A circular shape that has customizable rings around it.
    Q & A: [3] & [38]
Shape ext heatmark
     /pgf/ext/heatmark arcs=(arcs num)
                                                                                                                                                                (no default, initially 3)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark arcs
          Sets the number of arc around the circle to \langle arcs num \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/heatmark arc width=\langle arc width\rangle
                                                                                                                                                             (no default, initially 4pt)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark arc width
          Sets the width of the rings around the circle to (arc width).
                                                                                                                                                             (no default, initially 1pt)
     /pgf/ext/heatmark arc sep=\langle sep length\rangle
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark arc sep
          Sets the whitespace between the rings to \langle sep \ length \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/heatmark arc rings=\langle rings num\rangle
                                                                                                                                                                (no default, initially 3)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark arc rings
          Sets the number of rings around the circle to ⟨rings num⟩
     /pqf/ext/heatmark arc sep angle=(sep angle)
                                                                                                                                                              (no default, initially 20)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark arc sep angle
         Sets the whitespace angle between the arcs in one ring to \langle sep\ angle \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/heatmark inner opacity=\langle inner opacity\rangle
                                                                                                                                                             (no default, initially 0.8)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark inner opacity
         Sets the opacity of the inner ring to \langle inner\ opacity \rangle.
                                                                                                                                                             (no default, initially 0.2)
     /pgf/ext/heatmark outer opacity=\langle low opacity\rangle
     pre 0.6 /pgf/heatmark outer opacity
          Sets the opacity of the outer ring to (outer opacity).
```

The opacity of the rings between the outer and the inner ring will be interpolated by these two opacities.

This shape takes the value of /pgf/shape border rotate into consideration.

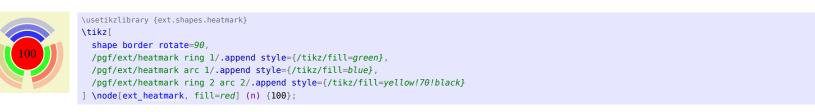
For every ring and for every arc the following styke keys are tried.

```
      /pgf/ext/heatmark ring ⟨ring number⟩
      (style, no value)

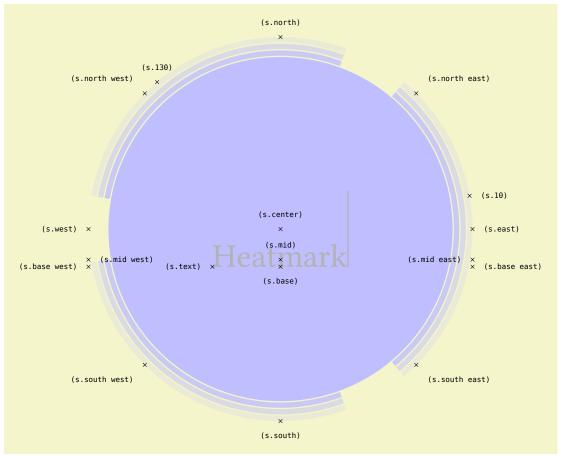
      /pgf/ext/heatmark arc ⟨arc number⟩
      (style, no value)

      /pgf/ext/heatmark ring ⟨ring number⟩ arc ⟨arc number⟩
      (style, no value)
```

The PGFshape is setup in a way that even TikZ styles can be used with a little bit work:



It is best to use this shape with no actual border (draw = none) and the outer sep set to zero.

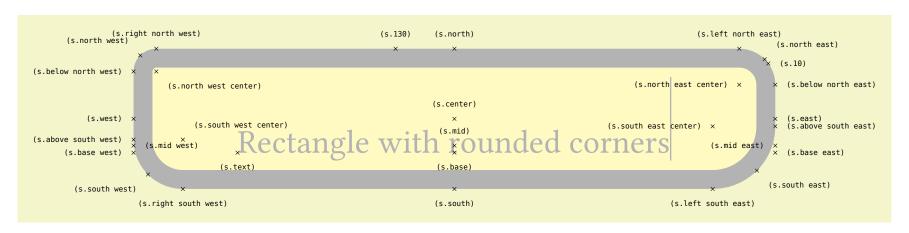


```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.shapes.heatmark}
\begin{tikzpicture}\Huge
\node[name=s, shape=ext_heatmark, shape example,
 fill=blue!25, draw=none, outer sep=0pt]
  {Heatmark\vrule width 1pt height 2cm};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in
  {north west/above left, north/above,
                         north east/above right,
        west/left, center/above,
                                       east/right,
     mid west/right, mid/above, mid east/left,
   base west/left, base/below, base east/right,
   south west/below left, south/below,
                          south east/below right,
   text/left, 10/right, 130/above}
   \draw[shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
    node[\placement] {\scriptsize\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 26 Shape: Rectangle with Rounded Corners

Sets all radii to  $\langle dimen \rangle$ .

```
TikZ Library ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners
    \usepqflibrary{ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners} % LATEX and plain TEX and pure pqf
    \usepgflibrary[ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners] % ConT<sub>F</sub>Xt and pure pgf
    \usetikzlibrary{ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners} % LATEX and plain TEX when using TikZ
    \usetikzlibrary[ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners] % ConTFXt when using TikZ
    A rectangle with rounded corners.
Shape ext_rectangle with rounded corners
    This library provides a rectangle with rounded corners where every corner can have a different radius.
     /pgf/ext/rectangle with rounded corners north west radius=\langle dimen \rangle
                                                                                                                                       (no default, initially .5\pgflinewidth)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/rectangle with rounded corners north west radius
         Sets the north west radius to \langle dimen \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/rectangle with rounded corners north east radius=\langle dimen \rangle
                                                                                                                                       (no default, initially .5\pgflinewidth)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/rectangle with rounded corners north east radius
         Sets the north east radius to \langle dimen \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/rectangle with rounded corners south west radius=\langle dimen \rangle
                                                                                                                                       (no default, initially .5\pgflinewidth)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/rectangle with rounded corners south west radius
         Sets the south west radius to \langle dimen \rangle.
     /pgf/ext/rectangle with rounded corners south east radius=\langle dimen \rangle
                                                                                                                                       (no default, initially .5\pgflinewidth)
    pre 0.6 /pgf/rectangle with rounded corners south east radius
         Sets the south east radius to (dimen).
     /pgf/ext/rectangle with rounded corners radius=\langle dimen \rangle
                                                                                                                                                                  (no default)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/rectangle with rounded corners radius
```



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners}
\begin{tikzpicture}\Huge
\node[name=s, shape=ext rectangle with rounded corners, shape example,
 ext/rectangle with rounded corners north west radius=10pt,
 ext/rectangle with rounded corners north east radius=20pt,
 ext/rectangle with rounded corners south west radius=30pt,
 ext/rectangle with rounded corners south east radius=40pt] {Rectangle with rounded corners\vrule width 1pt height 2cm};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in
 {north west/above left, north/above, north east/above right,
         west/left,
                         center/above,
                                             east/right,
    mid west/right.
                           mid/above. mid east/left.
   base west/left,
                          base/below, base east/right,
   south west/below left, south/below, south east/below right,
   text/below, 10/right, 130/above,
   north west center/below right,
                                      north east center/left,
  south west center/above right,
                                      south east center/left,
  below north west/left, above south west/left, above south east/right, below north east/right,
   right north west/above, right south west/below, left south east/below, left north east/above}
   \draw[shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
    node[\placement] {\scriptsize\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 27 Shape: Superellipse

```
TikZ Library ext.shapes.superellipse
     \usepgflibrary{ext.shapes.superellipse} % LTFX and plain TFX and pure pgf
     \usepgflibrary[ext.shapes.superellipse] % ConT<sub>F</sub>Xt and pure pgf
     \usetikzlibrary{ext.shapes.superellipse} % LATEX and plain TEX when using TikZ
     \usetikzlibrary[ext.shapes.superellipse] % ConTFXt when using TikZ
     Shape in the form of a "superellipse".
     Q & A: [55] & [31]
Shape ext superellipse
     This shape is defined by formula
                                                                                         \left|\frac{x}{r_x}\right|^m + \left|\frac{y}{r_y}\right|^n = 1
     and will be plotted by
                                                                                  x(t) = |\cos t|^{\frac{2}{m}} \cdot r_x \operatorname{sgn}(\cos t)
                                                                                  y(t) = |\sin t|^{\frac{2}{n}} \cdot r_{\nu} \operatorname{sgn}(\sin t)
     where r_x is half the node's width and r_y is half the node's height.
                                                                                                                                                                      (no default, initially 2.5)
      /pqf/ext/superellipse \times exponent = \langle x exponent \rangle
     pre 0.6 /pgf/superellipse x exponent
          This sets m.
      /pgf/ext/superellipse y exponent=\( \gamma \ exponent \)
                                                                                                                                                                      (no default, initially 2.5)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/superellipse y exponent
           This sets n.
      /pgf/ext/superellipse step=(step)
                                                                                                                                                                        (no default, initially 5)
          This specifies the step of the underlying plot handler. The smaller \langle step \rangle is, the slower computation will be.
          Sensible values for (step) are integer dividers of 90, i. e. 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 15, 18, 30 and 45.
                                                                                                                                                                                    (no default)
      /pgf/ext/superellipse exponent=\( exponent \)
     pre 0.6 /pgf/superellipse exponent
```

Sets both superellipse x exponent and superellipse y exponent to  $\langle exponent \rangle$ .

**Notes on Implementation** For implementing this shape, additional mathematical functions were declared.

```
ext_superellipsex(t, 2/m, r_x) \pgfmathextsuperellipsex{t}{2/m}{r_x}
```

Returns the *x* value on a point of the superellipse with its center on the origin following

$$x = r_x \cos^{2/m} t$$

for values of  $0 \le t \le 90$ .

```
ext_superellipsey(t, 2/n, r_y)
\pgfmathextsuperellipsey{t}{2/m}{r_x}
```

Returns the y value on a point of the superellipse with its center on the origin following

$$y = r_y \cos^{2/n} t$$

for values of  $0 \le t \le 90$ .

Both PGFmath functions can be used at once with the following macro.

```
\pgfextmathsuperellipseXY\{\langle t \rangle\}\{\langle 2/m \rangle\}\{\langle 2/n \rangle\}\{\langle a \rangle\}\{\langle b \rangle\}
```

Returns the x value (in \pgfmathresultX) and the y value (in \pgfmathresultY) of the superellipse with its center on the origin following

$$x = a\cos^{2/m}t$$

$$y = b \cos^{2/n} t$$

for values of  $0 \le t \le 90$ .

Note: all arguments must be a valid number since they will not be parsed by PGFmath.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.shapes.superellipse}
\begin{tikzpicture}[ext/superellipse step=1]\Huge
\node[name=s, shape=ext_superellipse, shape example] {Superellipse\vrule width 1pt height 2cm};
\foreach \anchor/\placement in
  {north west/above left, north/above, north east/above right,
  west/left, center/above, east/right,
  mid west/right, mid/above, mid east/left,
  base west/left, base/below, base east/right,
  south west/below left, south/below, south east/below right,
  text/left, 10/right, 130/above}
  \draw[shift=(s.\anchor)] plot[mark=x] coordinates{(0,0)}
  node[\placement] {\scriptsize\texttt{(s.\anchor)}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.shapes.superellipse}
\begin{tikzpicture}[minimum width=1cm, minimum height=3cm]
\foreach \xe/\ye[count=\i] in {.5/.5, 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, .5/5}
\unde[draw, ext_superellipse, ext/superellipse x exponent=\xe, ext/superellipse y exponent=\ye] at (1.5*\i,0) {};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

# 28 Shape: Uncentered Rectangle

#### PGF Library ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle

```
\usepgflibrary{ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle} % LATEX and plain TEX \usepgflibrary[ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle] % ConTEXt
```

A rectangle that has a variable horizontal center with three node parts.

```
Q & A: [58, 26] & [39, 36]
```

#### Shape ext\_uncentered rectangle

For some alignment problems, this shape could be useful.

It has three node parts: the standard text part, the left part that is to the left of text and the right part that is to the right of text.

When edges are to be connected with this shape, the following key changes to which inner center this shape will calculate the appropriate point on the border.

```
/pgf/ext/uncentered rectangle center=\langle left \rangle or \langle text \rangle or \langle right \rangle or \langle real \rangle
```

(no default, initially text)

pre 0.6 /pgf/uncentered rectangle center

Sets the center that is to be used for connecting edges.

This will also move the anchors north, mid, base and south along. In the picture below, this are marked red.

```
/pgf/ext/uncentered rectangle use saved center=\langle true \rangle or \langle false \rangle
```

(default true)

pre 0.6 /pgf/uncentered rectangle use saved center

When this is set to true, the border anchors will use the horizontal center that was used when the node was created.

For support of the cd library of the tikz-cd package, this shape also supports a dynamic y value for its anchors center, west and east.

#### /pgf/ext/uncentered rectangle center yshift= $\langle dimension \rangle$

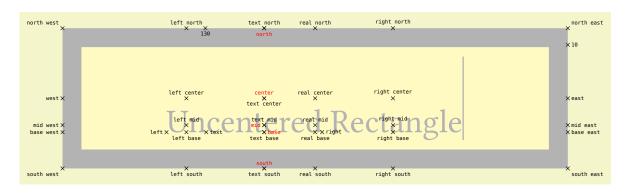
(no default, initially {})

pre 0.6 /pgf/uncentered rectangle center yshift

This determines the distance between the baseline and the center anchors.

If  $\langle dimension \rangle$  is empty, the real vertical center will be used.

For use with cd, set this to axis\_height.



```
\usepgflibrary {ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle}
\begin{tikzpicture}[style north/.style=red, style south/.style=red, style center/.style=red, style base/.style=red, style mid/.style=red]
\Huge
\node[shape example, name=n, ext_uncentered rectangle]
 {centered \nodepart{left} Un \nodepart{right} \space Rectangle\vrule width 1pt height 2cm}
 foreach \anchor/\pos in {
  north west/above left, north/below, north east/above right, real north/above, left north/above, right north/above, text north/above,
         west/left.
                         center/above,
                                             east/right,
                                                               real center/above, left center/above, right center/above, text center/below,
    mid west/left.
                           mid/left,
                                        mid east/right,
                                                               real mid/above.
                                                                                  left mid/above,
                                                                                                    right mid/above,
                                                                                                                      text mid/above,
   base west/left,
                          base/right, base east/right,
                                                               real base/below,
                                                                                 left base/below, right base/below, text base/below,
   south west/below left, south/above, south east/below right, real south/below, left south/below, right south/below, text south/below,
                             10/right,
                                                                                  left/left,
                                                                                                    right/right,
                                              130/below,
                                                                                                                       text/right}{
   plot[mark=x, only marks] coordinates {(n.\anchor)}
   node[inner sep=.1em, style \anchor/.try, style/.expand once=\pos] {\tiny\ttfamily\anchor}};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

#### TikZ Library ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle

\usetikzlibrary{ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle} % LATEX and plain TEX \usetikzlibrary[ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle] % ConTEXt

This library extends the cd library (from the tikz-cd package) so that it can be used with the uncentered rectangle shape.

**Q**: [56]

This library provides only one key.

```
/tikz/ext/tikz-cd fix

pre 0.6 /tikz-ext/tikz-cd fix
```

This key installs various "fixes" to the /tikz/commutative diagrams/every diagram style:

- Firstly, is defines a /tikz/matrix of math nodes key (only for the tikzcd environment) which allows to toggle the /tikz/commutative diagrams/math mode for each node.<sup>8</sup>
- The helpful macro \uncrec will be installed.

```
\uncrec{\langle left \rangle}{\langle center \rangle}{\langle right \rangle}
```

When used as the content of a ext\_uncentered rectangle shape, the node parts will be setup so that  $\langle left \rangle$  is in the left part of the node part etc.

• Since math mode will be disabled with the ext\_uncentered rectangle, it is automatically enabled for each node part with \uncrec but it can be disabled with the following key.

```
/tikz/uncrec math mode=\langle true \rangle or \langle false \rangle
```

(default true)

When enabled the contents of \uncrec will be set in math mode.

• For easy access to the uncentered rectangle shape, the following keys are available inside a Commutative Diagram.

```
/\text{tikz/uncrec} = \langle left \rangle \text{ or } \langle text \rangle \text{ or } \langle right \rangle \text{ or } \langle real \rangle
```

(style, no default, initially text)

This key sets the shape to ext\_uncentered rectangle and /pgf/ext/uncentered rectangle center to its argument.

/tikz/commutative diagrams/install uncentered rectangle in column= $\langle column \rangle$ 

(style, no default)

All nodes in column (column) will be set to the ext\_uncentered rectangle shape.

$$C_{\%_1}$$
  $m_{r_1} = C_{\%_2} - C_{\%}$   $C_{\%_2}$   $m_{r_2} = C_{\%_1} - C_{\%}$ 

```
\tikzextset{tikz-cd fix}
\newcommand*\C[1]{C_{\%_{#1}}}
\begin{tikzcd}[
    sep=tiny,
    arrows={-, gray},
    cells={font=\strut, inner xsep=.2ex, inner ysep=.1ex},
    install uncentered rectangle in column=3
]
\C{1} \drar & & \uncrec{\{m_{r_1}\}{{\}} = \C{2}-C_{\%} \dlar\\
    & C_{\%} \\
\C{2} \urar & & \uncrec{\{m_{r_2}\}{{\}} = \C{1}-C_{\%} \ular\\
    end{tikzcd}
```

$$S \supset U_{\tau} \xrightarrow{\varphi_{0}} U_{\pi} \subset T$$

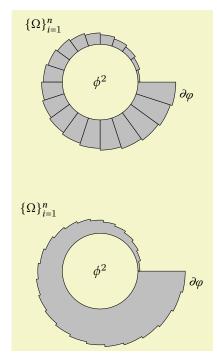
$$\downarrow^{\tau} \qquad \downarrow^{\pi}$$

$$\mathrm{Bl}_{(0,0)}(\mathbb{A}^{2}) \supset V_{\tau} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} V_{\pi} \subset \mathbb{A}^{2}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Due to a bug with /tikz/execute at end node, the "automatic" math mode in matrices can't be used with multipart nodes.

# **Part IV**

# **Utilities**



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.misc}
\begin{tikzpicture}[
  declare function=\{bigR(\n) = smallR + .05*\n;\},
  ext/declare constant={smallR=1; segments=20;},
  ext/full arc=segments]
\foreach \iN[evaluate={\endRadius=bigR(\iN+1);}, ext/use int=0 to segments-1]
  \filldraw[fill=gray!50] (\iN R:\endRadius)
   arc [radius=\endRadius, start angle=\iN R, delta angle=+1R] -- (\iN R+1R:smallR)
    arc [radius=smallR,
                              end angle=\iN R, delta angle=-1R] -- cycle;
\node
                                                    {$\phi^2$};
\node at (north west:\{ \text{sqrt 2 * bigR(segments/2)} \}  {\\0mega\\_{i=1}^n$};
\node[rotate=-.5R, right] at (-.5R: bigR segments) {$\partial \varphi$};
\tikzset{yshift=-5cm, ext/declare constant={segments=25;}, ext/full arc=segments}
\filldraw[fill=gray!50] (right:smallR)
 \foreach \iN[evaluate={\endRadius=bigR(\iN+1);}, ext/use int=0 to segments-1] {
   -- (\iN R:\endRadius) arc[radius=\endRadius, start angle=\iN R, delta angle=1R]}
   -- (right:smallR)
                          arc[radius=smallR,
                                                                     delta angle=-360];
                                                 start angle=0,
\node
                                                    {$\phi^2$};
\node at (north west:\{ \text{sqrt 2 * bigR(segments/2)} \}  {\\0mega\\_{i=1}^n$};
\node[rotate=-.5R, right] at (-.5R: bigR segments) {$\partial \varphi$};
\end{tikzpicture}
```

#### 29 Calendar: Weeknumbers and more conditionals

```
\usepackage{pgfcalendar-ext} % LMEX
\input pgfcalendar-ext.tex % plain TEX
```

This package adds week numbers and more conditionals to the PGF package pgfcalendar.

```
Q & A: [11, 12, 16] & [30, 51, 37]
```

#### 29.1 Extensions

The following tests are added. In version pre 0.6, they're missing the prefix ext/.

- ext/Jan This test is passed by all dates that are in the month of January.
- ext/Feb as above.
- ext/Mar as above.
- ext/Apr as above.
- ext/May as above.
- ext/Jun as above.
- ext/Jul as above.
- ext/Aug as above.
- ext/Sep as above.
- ext/0ct as above.
- ext/Nov as above.
- ext/Dec as above.
- ext/leap year=⟨year⟩ This test checks whether the given year is a leap year.
   If ⟨year⟩ is omitted, it checks the year of the current date.
- ext/and= $\{\langle tests \rangle\}$  This test passes when all  $\langle tests \rangle$  pass.
- ext/not= $\{\langle tests \rangle\}$  This test passes when  $\langle tests \rangle$  do not pass.
- ext/week of month= $\langle num \rangle$  This test passes when the date is in  $\langle num \rangle$ th week of the month. The first week of the month start at day 1 and ends with day 7.

- ext/week of month'=\(\lambda um\rangle\) As above but counts from the last day of the month. For a month with 31 days, this means the "1st" week starts at day 25 and ends with day 31.
- ext/calendar week of month=(num) This test passes when the date is in (num)th calendar week of the month. The first week starts at the first day of the month and ends at the next Sunday.
- ext/calendar week of month'=(num) As above but counts from the last day
  of the month.

```
1 2
3 4 5 6 7 8 9
10 11 12 13 14 15 16
17 18 19 20 21 22 23
24 25 26 27 28 29 30
31
```

- ext/yesterday={\langle tests\rangle} This test passes when the previous day passes \langle tests\rangle.
- ext/week= $\langle num \rangle$  This test passes when the current week of the year equals  $\langle num \rangle$ .

The shorthands for d- and m- are slightly changed so that they are expandable. This makes it possible to use these shorthands inside of pgfmath. The shorthands for the week (see section 29.2) are added. These are

- n- (shortest numerical representation),
- n= (shortest but added horizontal space) and
- n0 (leading zero when below 10).

# 29.2 Week numbering (ISO 8601)

This command calculates the week for the  $\langle Julian\ day \rangle$  of  $\langle year \rangle$ . The  $\langle week\ counter \rangle$  must be a TeX count.

The calculation follows the rule of ISO 8601 where the first week has that year's first Thursday in it.

Inside of  $\protect\p$ 

#### \pgfextcalendarcurrentweek

pre 0.6 \pgfcalendarcurrentweek

This command returns the current week number (always two digits – use shorthand n. to strip the leading zero).

Inside of  $\ightharpoonup$  if date the command  $\pgfextcalendarifdateweek$  will be available.

#### \pgfextcalendarifdateweek

pre 0.6 \pgfcalendarifdateweek

This command returns the week number (always two digits).

# 30 Repeating Things and Other Things

```
\usepackage{pgffor-ext} % LTEX
\input pgffor-ext.tex % plain TEX
This package adds small niceties to the pgffor package. Most of these additions are also available with the ext.misc library.

Warning: Consider this package experimental. At the very least, it will break the ... notation and possibly gobbles spaces after the body.

Q & A: [2, 8, 59] & [40, 46, 42]

Instead of \foreach \var in \{start, start + delta, ..., end\} one can use \foreach \var[use int=start to end step delta].

/pgf/foreach/ext/use int=\(start\)\to\(end\)\step\(delta\) in the values \(start\), \((end\)\) and \(delta\) are evaluates by PGFmath at initialization. The part step \(delta\) is optional \((delta\) = 1).

/pgf/foreach/ext/use float=\(start\)\to\(end\)\step\(delta\) in the part step \(delta\) is optional \((delta\) = 1).

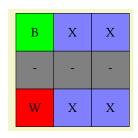
/pgf/foreach/ext/use float=\(start\)\to\(end\)\step\(delta\) is an as above, however the results are not truncated.
```

/pgf/foreach/ext/no separator

(no value)

pre 0.6 /pgf/foreach/no separator

This key disables any separator between elements of the list. Every token is its own element. This also means that Unicode characters need to be grouped between { and } if LuaTeX isn't used. Spaces will be ignored.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.misc}
\newcommand*{\board}[3][]{%
 \begin{tikzpicture}[#1]
   \foreach[
      count=\i from 0,
     ext/no separator.
     evaluate=\i as \colX using {mod(\i,#2)},
     evaluate=\i as \rowY using {int(\i/#2)}
    ] \elem in {#3} {
       \draw[black, board/\elem/.try, ext/rectangle timer/.try=line]
          (\colX,\rowY) rectangle node {\elem} ++(1, 1);}
 \end{tikzpicture}}
\board[
 board/W/.style={fill=red},
 board/X/.style={fill=blue!50},
 board/B/.style={fill=green},
 board/-/.style={fill=gray},
]{3}{WXX---BXX}
```

#### /pgf/foreach/ext/normal list

(no value)

pre 0.6 /pgf/foreach/normal list

This key simply disables all other special parsers and returns to the original list parser.

The following keys only work with LTEX and cannot be used when only the ext.misc library or the plainTEX pgffor-ext.tex are loaded. For this, you will need to use \usepackage{pgffor-ext}.

```
\label{local_problem} $$ \position{\cite{continuous} (argument specification)} {\cite{continuous} (argument specification)} $$
```

(no default)

pre 0.6 /pgf/foreach/xparser

This key can be used to specify a xparse specification for each element in the list.

For this to work somewhat seamless, the following needs to observed:

- Every {\(\alpha\) argument specification\)} get appended u,. This means there's always one additional mandatory argument at the end of every element.
- The  $\{\langle foreach\ value \rangle\}$  needs to correspond to the /pgf/foreach/var value.

#### /pgf/foreach/ext/xparser Om=default

(default {})

pre 0.6 /pgf/foreach/xparser Om

Sets up a list whose elements may contain an optional argument inside [] which correspond to two \foreach variables, say \Options/\Text. The default value is the default value if the optional argument is missing.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle/.ext_list xparse={\langle argument \ specification \rangle}{\langle comma-separated \ list \ of \ values \rangle} pre 0.6 .list xparse
```

This handler causes the key to be used repeatedly, namely once for every element of the list of values. The  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using  $\langle comma$ -separated list of values $\rangle$  is processed using

### 31 And a little bit more

# TikZ Library ext.misc \usetikzlibrary{ext.misc} % Lambda plain TeX \usetikzlibrary[ext.misc] % ConTeXt This library adds miscellaneous utilities to PGFmath, PGF or TikZ.

Q & A: [25] & [28]

#### 31.1 PGFmath

#### 31.1.1 Postfix operator R

Similar to \segments[<num>] in PSTricks, the postfix operator R allows the user to use an arbitrary number of segments of a circle to be used instead of an angle.

```
/pgf/ext/full arc=\langle num\rangle
pre 0.6 /pgf/full arc
(default {})
```

The number  $\langle num \rangle$  of segments will be set up. Using full arc with an empty value disables the segmentation and 1R equals 1°.

The given value  $\langle num \rangle$  is evaluated when the key is used and doesn't change when  $\langle num \rangle$  contains variables that change.

The R operator can then be used.

```
xR (postfix operator; uses the extfullarc function) Multiplies x with \frac{360}{\langle num \rangle}.
```

#### 31.1.2 Functions

```
extstrrepeat("Text", x)
pre 0.6 strrepeat
\pgfmathextstrrepeat{"Text"}{x}
```

Returns a string with *Text* repeated *x* times.

```
extisInString("String", "Text")
pre 0.6 isInString
\pgfmathextisInString{"String"}{"Text"}
     Returns 1 (true) if Text contains String, otherwise 0 (false).
                       \pgfmathparse{extisInString("foo", "bar")}
            0 and 1
                       \pgfmathresult \ and\
                       \pgfmathparse{extisInString("foo", "foobar")}
                       \pgfmathresult
extstrcat("Text A", "Text B", ...)
pre 0.6 strcat
\pgfmathextstrcat{" Text A"}{" Text B"}{...}
     Returns the concatenation of all given parameters.
                       \pgfmathparse{extstrcat("blue!", int(7*3), "!green")}
      blue!21!green
                       \pqfmathresult
extisEmpty("Text")
pre 0.6 isEmpty
\pgfmathextisEmpty{"Text"}
     Returns 1 (true) if Text is empty, otherwise 0 (false).
                       \pgfmathparse{extisEmpty("foo")} \pgfmathresult\ and\
      0 and 1 and 1
                       \pgfmathparse{extisEmpty("")} \pgfmathresult\ and\
                       \def\emptyText{}
                       \pgfmathparse{extisEmpty("\emptyText")} \pgfmathresult
```

```
extatanXY(x,y)
pre 0.6 atanXY
\pgfmathextatanXY{x}{y}
```

Arctangent of  $y \div x$  in degrees. This also takes into account the quadrant. This is just a argument-swapped version of atan2 which makes it easier to use the \p commands of the calc library.

```
53.13011 \pgfmathparse{extatanXY(3,4)} \pgfmathresult
```

```
extatanYX(y,x)
pre 0.6 atanYX
\pgfmathextatanYX{y}{x}
```

Arctangent of  $y \div x$  in degrees. This also takes into account the quadrant.

```
53.13011 \pgfmathparse{extatanYX(4,3)} \pgfmathresult
```

#### 31.1.3 Functions: using coordinates

The following functions can only be used with PGF and/or TikZ. Since the arguments are usually plain text (and not numbers) one has to wrap them in ".

```
extanglebetween("p1", "p2")
pre 0.6 anglebetween
\pgfmathextanglebetween{"p1"}{"p2"}
```

Return the angle between the centers of the nodes *p1* and *p2*.

```
extqanglebetween("p")
pre 0.6 qanglebetween
\pgfmathextqanglebetween{"p"}
```

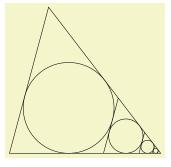
Return the angle between the origin and the center of the node *p*.

```
extdistancebetween("p1", "p2")
pre 0.6 distancebetween
\pgfmathextdistancebetween{"p1"}{"p2"}
```

Return the distance (in pt) between the centers of the nodes *p1* and *p2*.

```
extqdistancebetween("p")
pre 0.6 qdistancebetween
\pgfmathextqdistancebetween{"p"}
```

Return the distance (in pt) between the origin and the center of the node p.



#### 31.2 PGFfor

This library loads also most of the functions of the pgffor-ext of section 30 on page 80.

#### 31.3 PGFkeys

#### pgfkeys Library ext.pgfkeys-plus

```
\usepgfkeyslibrary{ext.pgfkeys-plus} % LATEX and plain TEX \usepgfkeyslibrary[ext.pgfkeys-plus] % ConTEXt
```

This extends PGFkeys and adds helpful /utils keys as well as handlers. This library gets loaded by the ext.misc library.

#### 31.3.1 Conditionals

This key checks the conditional  $\langle cond \rangle$  and applies the styles  $\langle true \rangle$  if  $\langle cond \rangle$  is true, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .  $\langle cond \rangle$  can be anything that PGFmath understands.

As a side effect on how PGFkeys parses argument, the  $\langle false \rangle$  argument is actually optional.

The following keys use TEX' macros \if, \ifx, \ifnum and \ifdim for faster executions.

This key checks via \if if  $\langle token A \rangle$  matches  $\langle token B \rangle$  and applies the styles  $\langle true \rangle$  if it does, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

As a side effect on how PGFkeys parses argument, the  $\langle false \rangle$  argument is actually optional.

As above but via \ifx.

This key checks \ifnum $\langle num \, cond \rangle$  and applies the styles  $\langle true \rangle$  if true, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ . A delimiting \relax will be inserted after  $\langle num \, cond \rangle$ .

As a side effect on how PGFkeys parses arguments, the  $\langle false \rangle$  argument is actually optional.

```
/utils/ext/ifdim=\langle dim\ cond \rangle \langle true \rangle \langle false \rangle (no default) pre 0.6 /utils/TeX/ifdim
```

As above but with \ifdim.

```
/utils/ext/ifempty=\langle Text \rangle \langle true \rangle \langle false \rangle (no default) pre 0.6 /utils/TeX/ifempty
```

This checks whether  $\langle Text \rangle$  is empty and applies styles  $\langle true \rangle$  if true, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

```
/utils/ext/ifxempty=\langle Text \rangle \langle true \rangle \langle false \rangle (no default)
pre 0.6 /utils/TeX/ifxempty
```

This checks whether fully expanded  $\langle Text \rangle$  is empty and applies styles  $\langle true \rangle$  if true, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

#### 31.3.2 Handlers

While already a lot of values given to keys are evaluated by PGFmath at some point, not all of them are.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle/.ext_pgfmath=\langle eval \rangle
```

```
pre 0.6 .pgfmath
```

This handler evaluates  $\langle eval \rangle$  before it is handed to the key.

This handler works almost the same as the .evaluated handler but it does its evaluation in a group so that the result will not overwrite any other results.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle/.ext_pgfmath int=\langle eval \rangle
```

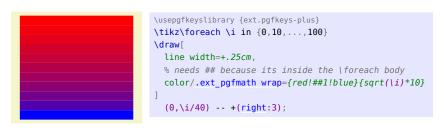
pre 0.6 .pgfmath int

As above but truncates the result.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle .ext_pgfmath wrap=\{\langle wrapper \rangle\}\{\langle eval \rangle\} pre 0.6 .pgfmath wrap
```

This feeds the result of  $\langle eval \rangle$  as #1 to  $\langle wrapper \rangle$ .

In the example below, one could have used the /pgf/foreach/evaluate key from the \foreach loop.



```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_pgfmath if={\langle cond \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle} pre 0.6 .pgfmath if
```

Evaluates  $\langle cond \rangle$  with PGFMath and returns  $\langle true \rangle$  or  $\langle false \rangle$  to the used key respectively.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_if = \langle token A \rangle \langle token B \rangle \{ \langle true \rangle \} \{ \langle false \rangle \} pre 0.6 .if
```

Checks via \if if  $\langle token A \rangle$  matches  $\langle token B \rangle$  and applies the value  $\langle true \rangle$  if it does, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_ifx = \langle token A \rangle \langle token B \rangle \{ \langle true \rangle \} \{ \langle false \rangle \} pre 0.6 .ifx
```

As above but via \ifx.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_ifnum = {\langle ifnum cond \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle} pre 0.6 .ifnum
```

Checks via \ifnum if  $\langle ifnum \ cond \rangle$  and applies the value  $\langle true \rangle$  if it does, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_ifdim = {\langle ifdim cond \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle} pre 0.6 .ifdim
```

As above but via \ifdim.

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_ifxempty = {\langle Text \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle} pre 0.6 .ifxempty
```

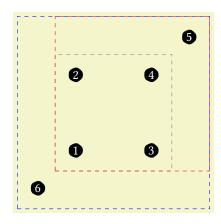
Checks whether a fully expanded  $\langle \textit{Text} \rangle$  is empty and applies the value  $\langle \textit{true} \rangle$  if it does, otherwise  $\langle \textit{false} \rangle$ .

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_ifempty = {\langle Text \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle}
```

Checks whether  $\langle Text \rangle$  is empty and applies the value  $\langle true \rangle$  if it does, otherwise  $\langle false \rangle$ .

```
Key handler \langle key \rangle / .ext_List = \{ \langle \langle e1 \rangle, \langle e2 \rangle, ..., \langle en \rangle \rangle \} pre 0.6 .List
```

This handler evaluates the given list with \foreach and concatenates the element and the result is then given to the used key.



```
\usetikzlibrary {fit,ext.misc}
\begin{tikzpicture}[nodes={draw, dashed, inner sep=+10pt}]
  \foreach \point [count=\cnt] in {(0,0), (0,2), (2,0), (2,2), (3,3), (-1,-1)}
  \node[circle, fill, inner sep=1pt, text=white] (point-\cnt) at \point {\cnt};
  \node[gray, fit/.ext_List={(point-1), (point-...), (point-4)}] {};
  \node[red, fit/.ext_List={(point-1), (point-...), (point-5)}] {};
  \node[blue, fit/.ext_List={(point-1), (point-...), (point-6)}] {};
  \end{tikzpicture}
```

#### 31.4 TikZ

/tikz/ext/reverse clip= $\langle direction \rangle$ 

(default counter clockwise)

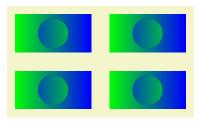
/tikz/ext/clip rule=\langle direction \rangle
pre 0.6 /tikz/clip rule

(default even odd)

pre 0.6 /tikz/reverse clip

This key installs a very big rectangle which is either constructed counter clockwise (like the circle path operation) or clockwise.

This key switches directly  $^9$  to the specified rule which is either even odd or nonzero. This corresponds to the /tikz/even odd rule and /tikz/nonzero rule keys.



```
\usetikzlibrary {ext.misc}
\newcommand*\myDiagram[1]{
  \fill[left color=blue, right color=green] (0, 0) rectangle (2, 1);
  \clip (1, .5) #1 [ext/reverse clip];
  \fill[left color=green, right color=blue] (0, 0) rectangle (2, 1);
}
\begin{tikzpicture}[radius=.4, row sep=5mm, column sep=5mm]
\matrix[
  row 2/.append style={ext/clip rule=even odd},
  column 1/.append style={ext/reverse clip/.default=clockwise}]
{
  \myDiagram{circle[]} &
  \myDiagram{circle[]} &
```

 $<sup>^9</sup>$ Meaning, it directly executes \pgfseteorule /\pgfsetnonzerorule and doesn't accumulates where TikZ throws an error.

#### Part V

# **Changelog, Index & References**

# Changelog

Version 0.6.3 (2025-05-17)

- Small bufgix to ext.paths.ortho.
- Added node is pic to ext.nodes.

Version 0.6.2 (2025-04-24)

- Bugfix to and slight refactoring of ext.paths.ortho.
- Bugfix to pgffor-ext/ext.misc.
- Added better support for graphs library for ext.beamer.

Version 0.6.1 (2025-04-12)

- Added TikZ library ext.beamer.
- Added new tips ext\_Double Cap, ext\_Double Stealth and ext Double Triange.
- Bugfix to ext.arrows-plus. [54]

Version 0.6 (2025-03-18)

- Added \tikzextset, \tikzextversion and \tikzextversionnumber
- Added six new auto placement mechanisms: ext/above, ext/below, ext/west, ext/east, ext/north and ext/south.
- Added ext/auto offset for auto placement.
- Added ext/precise auto angle.
- Added TikZ library ext.arrows-plus.
- Added TikZ library ext.topaths.autobend.

• Made ext.node-families and ext.scalepicture memoizable.

Version 0.5.1 (2023-04-02)

- Added PGF library ext.arrows.
- Bugfix to ext.pgfkeys-plus. [22]

Version 0.5 (2023-03-17)

- Added package pgffor-ext.
- Added TikZ library ext.nodes.
- Added TikZ library ext. layers.
- Bugfixes to ext.calendar-plus.
- Allow the original rectangle timer with ext.paths.timer.

Version 0.4.2 (2022-10-30)

- Added TikZ library ext.scalepicture.
- Bugfixes to shapes.uncenteredrectangle, paths.ortho, positioning-plus and pgfcalender-ext.

Version 0.4.1 (2022-10-23)

- Cleaned up directory structure of documentary.
- Added pgfkeys library ext.pgfkeys-plus.
- Added shape uncentered rectangle (PGF library ext.shapes.uncenteredrectangle).
- Fixed ext.paths.arcto again [21].

#### Version 0.4 (2022-10-10)

• CTAN version of 0.3.1

#### Version 0.3.1 (2022-10-09)

- Fixed ext.paths.ortho keys only vertical first and only horizontal first.
- Moved all (except the to paths) to namespace /tikz/ortho. /tikz/hvvh and /tikz/udlr are considered deprecated.
- Fixed \pgfcalendarjulianyeartoweek.
- Added more calendar tests.
- Added directory structure.

#### Version 0.3 (2022-09-24)

- Added shape circle arrow (PGF library ext.shapes.circlearrow).
- Added shape circle cross split (PGF library ext.shapes.circlecrosssplit).
- Added shape heatmark (PGF library ext.shapes.heatmark).
- Added shape rectangle with rounded corners (PGF library ext.shapes.rectangleroundedcorners).
- Added shape superellipse (PGF library ext.shapes.superellipse).

- Added TikZ library ext.node-families.shapes.geometric.
- Fixed ext.node-families' key size.
- Renamed internal macros to use custom namespace starting with \tikzext@.
- Added some references.

#### Version 0.2 (2022-08-21)

- Added TikZ library ext.positioning-plus.
- Added TikZ library ext.node-families.

#### Version 0.1 (2022-08-16)

- Added TikZ library ext.calendar-plus.
- Added TikZ library ext.misc.
- Added TikZ library ext.paths.arcto.
- Added TikZ library ext.paths.ortho.
- Added TikZ library ext.paths.timer.
- Added TikZ library ext.patterns.images.
- Added TikZ library ext.topaths.arcthrough.
- Added TikZ library ext.transformations.mirror.
- Added PGF library ext.transformations.mirror.

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