

snakeTikZ

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1 Description

snakeTikZ is a simple L^AT_EX package using TikZ for drawing a path from the end of a line to the next one. It could be used in study of latin poetry.

2 Output exemple

Examples with different interlines height :

The image shows three groups of Latin text, each with a different interline height. Red lines connect the end of one line to the start of the next line, illustrating the snakeTikZ package's output. The first group has three lines, the second has four, and the third has four. Each line is preceded by a line number.

770 membra natant sanie, surae fluxere, sine ullo
771 tegmine poples erat, femorum quoque musculus omnis
772 liquitur, et nigra destillant inguina tabe. —

773 dissiluit stringens uterum membrana, fluuntque
774 uiscera; nec, quantus toto de corpore debet,
775 effluit in terras, saeuum sed membra uenenum
776 decoquit, in minimum mors contrahit omnia uirus. —

811 sanguis erant lacrimae; quaecumque foramina nouit
812 umor, ab his largus manat cruor; ora redundant
813 et patulae nares; sudor rubet; omnia plenis
814 membra fluunt uenis; totum est pro uolnere corpus. —

3 Installation

- Copy `snaketikz.sty` in your working directory, or copy source code in a new `snaketikz.sty` file.
- load snake package `\usepackage{sneaktikz}`

4 Minimal working exemple

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{snaketikz}

\begin{document}
% begin snake environment with 2 arguments :
% width and interline height
\begin{snake}{0.9\textwidth}{4mm}
% the snL command take 3 arguments:
% 1 : type of line. s=snake e=end
% 2 : line number
% 3 : verse line
\snL{s}{770}{membra natant sanie, surae fluxere, sine ullo}
\snL{s}{771}{tegmine poples erat, femorum quoque musculus omnis}
\snL{e}{772}{liquitur, et nigra destillant inguina tabe.}
\end{snake}
\end{document}
```

5 Snake package source

```
% -----
% "THE BEER-WARE LICENSE" (Revision 42):
% <f@fxi.io> wrote this file. As long as you retain
% this notice you can do whatever you want with this
% stuff. If we meet some day, and you think this stuff
% is worth it, you can buy me a beer in return.
% -----

\NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}[1994/06/01]
\ProvidesPackage{snaketikz}[2014/07/12 snaketikz Package]

\RequirePackage{lmodern}
\RequirePackage{tikz}
\usetikzlibrary{arrows,positioning,calc}

%-----%
%   new environment snake :
%   set centered box, line height, line counter
%-----%
\newenvironment{snake}[2]{
% arg 1= width
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% arg 2= height
\begin{center}
\begin{minipage}{#1}
\ifcsname hh\endcsname%
\else
\newlength{\hh}
\fi
\setlength{\hh}{#2}
\ifcsname c@cc\endcsname%
\else
\newcounter{cc}%each snL increment this counter
\fi
\setcounter{cc}{0}
\noindent%
\begin{tikzpicture}[baseline=-0.5,
node distance=0.5\hh]
}{
\setcounter{cc}{0}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{minipage}%
\end{center}

}

%-----%
%   new command \snL : (snake line)
%   Draw path/snake/ligature between line
%-----%

\newcommand{\snL}[3]{
\def\hm{\value{cc}*\hh}%hm= total height * line counter
\node[font=\tiny,anchor=east] at (-0.2,0-\hm) (a) {#2};
\coordinate[right=of a] (b);
\node[anchor=west, right=of b] (c) {\small #3};
\coordinate[right=of c] (d);
\coordinate[below=of b] (e);
\coordinate[below=of e] (f);
\coordinate[right=of f] (g);
\ifnum \pdfstrcmp{#1}{s}=0 % if first arg is s, print line
\draw[|-,draw=red,thin]
(c)--
(d)arc (90:-90:0.25*\hh) --
(e)arc (90:270:0.25*\hh) --
(g) ;
\else
\draw[-,draw=red,thin]

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(c)--  
(d) ;  
\fi  
\addtocounter{cc}{1}  
}
```