

Testing PGF and TikZ support in DocOnce

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Abstract

Quick demo of how to make figures with TikZ in DocOnce.

1 Ideas

[TikZ](#) is a very strong tool for making figures in \LaTeX . DocOnce supports such figures: if a figure file `myfig` exists in a version `myfig.tikz`, DocOnce will, in case of `latex` or `pdflatex` output, utilize the `myfig.tikz` figure directly. The problem is what do to with other output formats. In `html` format one can use a corresponding SVG version of the figure, and for other formats, one needs a plain PNG file. DocOnce will automatically create such versions of the figure and store them along with `myfig.tikz`, as is done when other figure formats need automatic conversion.

2 A modest beginning

Figure 1: This shape is commonly referred to as a *straight line*.

The most fundamental shape is the line in Figure 1. See the [source code](#) for how this TikZ figure is defined in \LaTeX as a file `line.tikz` (and included in DocOnce through `FIGURE: [line, width=500] caption`). Such lines can be combined to form other shapes, e.g., a square as in Figure 2, but that figure was created directly by the [rectangle](#) TikZ command.

A [grid](#) can also be easily made.

A circle, however, cannot be formed by a finite number of straight lines. It requires [special code](#).

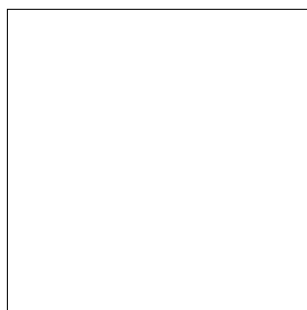


Figure 2: This square is formed by four straight lines.

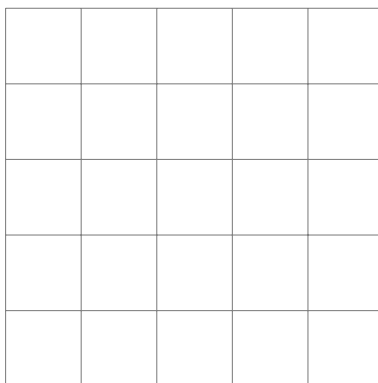


Figure 3: This is a grid with 5 x 5 cells

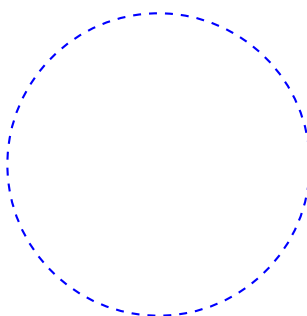


Figure 4: This circle is drawn in blue with a dashed line.

3 More advanced figures

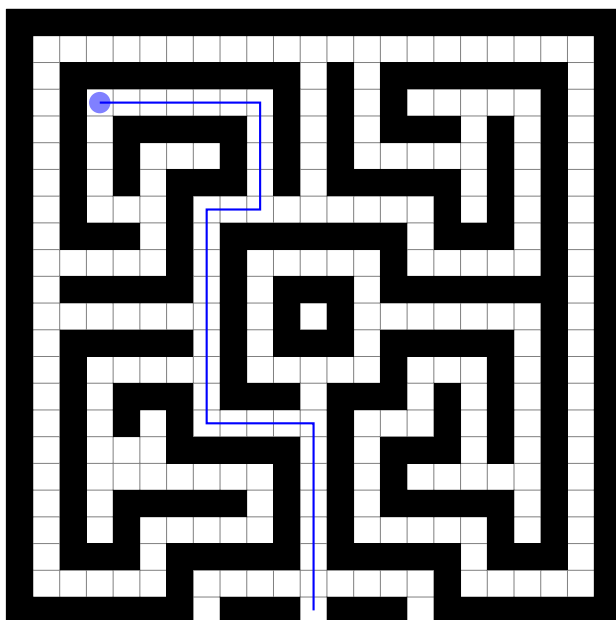


Figure 5: A `maze` can be drawn by combining rectangle elements.

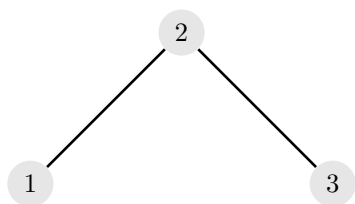
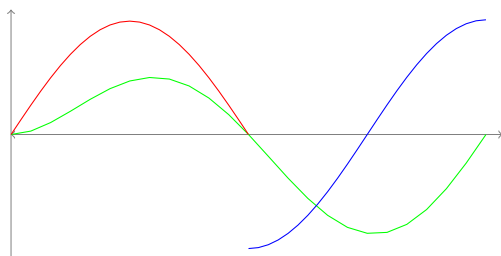


Figure 6: TikZ is quite well suited to draw `graphs`.

4 Plotting functions

TikZ can be used to plot functions. The next figure will be inlined.



See the [source code](#) for how you make this figure.

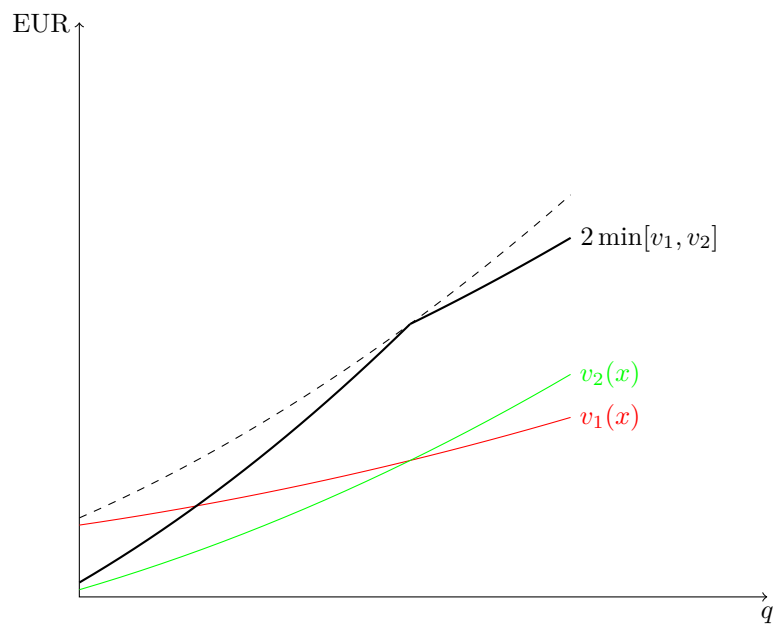


Figure 7: The functions can even be labeled!

All details are in the [source code](#).