# Vector graphics with Drawj2d



Program documentation & function reference

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# 1 The program Drawj2D

## 1.1 Purpose

DrawJ2D creates technical line drawings using a descriptive language. It is implemented in java, thus requires the Java Runtime Environment JRE (1.8 or above).

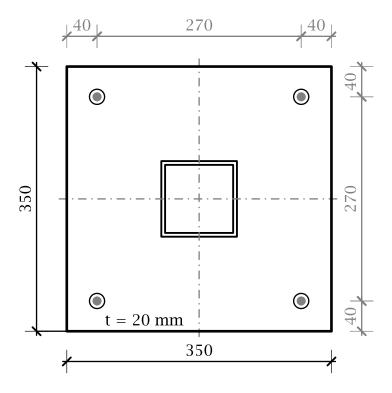


Figure 1: Drawing

The example in Figure 1 shows a drawing created by Drawj2d. The corresponding input file is printed in section 5.

drawj2d --type pdf --width 150 --height 120 --center drawing.hcl

#### 1.2 Features

- easy to learn vector graphics language Descriptive vector graphics language, easy (tcl-like) syntax.
- reusable drawings
   Drawings can be parametrised using variables.
- draw to scale 1:50, 1:100, 1:20

- different output formats Vector formats: pdf, svg, eps, emf. Bitmap: png, bmp. Intermediate formats: dxf, tikz, rmdoc, hcl.
- platform independent
  Drawj2d runs on every platform which runs Java: Linux, Windows, Mac OS X, Unix
- programming language
   Built in tcl-like scripting language allows advanced features and extensibility.
- viewer
   Built in viewer for the Drawj2d input files (\*.hcl).

## Additional functionality

- Yacas plot data
  Drawj2d can draw the 2D plot data generated by the computer algebra system Yacas (see chapter 4.2).
- Spread sheet csv data
   Drawj2d can draw points of a csv file (see chapter 4.1).
- Fachwerk background drawings
  Drawj2d can read the simple text based *bgd* format Fachwerk uses (see chapter 4.1).

## 1.3 Difference to other programs

DRAWJ2D is inspired by ASYMPTOTE, but it does 2D line drawing only. Both provide a programming syntax: Asymptote is C++-like, Drawj2d is tcl-like. Drawj2d benefits from its limits though: less dependencies, no installation required. Drawj2d is easier, programming experience is not necessary.

Drawj2d is not a CAD program, it provides no graphical user interface!

#### 1.4 Licence

DRAWJ2D is subject to the *GNU General Public License Version* 3+ <sup>1</sup>. The licence disclaims all liability of the author.

The program uses several libraries. They come with their own compatible open source licences. The text of the licences is distributed together with the program source code.

- Drawj2d core GPL 2+
   The core of the drawj2d program.
   https://sourceforge.net/projects/drawj2d
- Hecl Apache License 2
   The drawj2d vector graphics language uses and extends the Hecl scripting language.
   http://www.hecl.org

 $<sup>^1</sup>GNU$  General Public License Version 2+ is applicable provided the optional extensions OrsonPDF and JFreeSVG are dropped.

- java-getopt LGPL 2
   Command line option parser.

   http://www.urbanophile.com/arenn/hacking/getopt
- EvalEx MIT License (X11 License)
   Java expression evaluator used for the expr command.
   https://udojava.com/category/open-source/expression-evaluator
- FreeHEP Graphics2D LGPL 2.1 or Apache License 2 Graphical back-end for pdf, svg, emf. Fall-back mode for eps. https://freehep.github.io/freehep-vectorgraphics
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   Geometry functions for some commands geom.\*.
   http://geosoft.no/graphics
- TclDxf-library disclaimer (ref. to source code)
   Dxf drawing parser for the dxf command.
   http://www.oocities.org/tunegov/products/tcldxf4java.htm
- PDFRenderer LGPL 2.1+
   Pdf interpreter for the image command.
   https://github.com/katjas/PDFrenderer
- svgSalamander BSD or LGPL 3
   Svg interpreter for the image command.
   https://github.com/blackears/svgSalamander
- Yacas Grapher LGPL 2.1+
   Plotter front-end for yacas plot data.
   https://sourceforge.net/projects/yacas
- JTar Apache License 2
   Tar library for rmn.
   https://github.com/kamranzafar/jtar

Hershey fonts - (ref. to source code)
 Vector fonts the Lines font is based on.
 https://emergent.unpythonic.net/software/hershey

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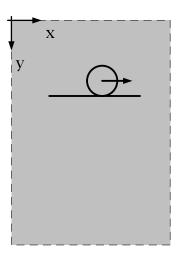
## 1.5 Program development

This manual is based on version: Drawj2d 1.3.4 (September 2024)

Changes in syntax and functionality are to be expected. It is recommended to check the website https://drawj2d.sourceforge.io for a new version from time to time.

## 2 How to use the program

DRAWJ2D is a command line program. There is no visible program window. Instead a text editor is used for the input and a shell (terminal, cmd/DOS-window, console) for running drawj2d.



First open a text editor and write the description of the drawing. The syntax is explained in the next chapter, for basic strokes it is straight forward. Save the file as normal UTF-8 encoded text, choosing a name with the suffix hcl.

```
drawing.hcl

moveto 50 100
lineto 170 100
moveto 120 80
circle 20
arrowrel 40 0
```

Now open the command line terminal, cd into the drawing directory and start drawj2d. It will read the input file and draw into a *pdf* file called out-drawing.pdf.

drawj2d drawing.hcl

#### 2.1 Installation

No installation needed.

It is recommended though to add the drawj2d program directory to the path.

Alternatively create a batch file which calls "java -jar drawj2d.jar" and put it in a folder which is in the path. Windows: echo %PATH%, Linux & Mac: echo \$PATH.

- Windows "drawj2d.bat": java -jar C:\PROGRAMDIRECTORY\drawj2d.jar %\*
- Linux & Mac "drawj2d":
   java -jar /PROGRAMDIRECTORY/drawj2d.jar \$@

## 2.2 Basic usage

```
drawj2d drawing.hcl

or

drawj2d --type pdf drawing.hcl

drawj2d --type pdf --width 150 --height 100 --center drawing.hcl

drawj2d -T pdf -W 150 -H 100 -c drawing.hcl

drawj2d -T pdf -W 150 -H 100 drawing.hcl

drawj2d -T pdf -W 150 -H 100 -X 50 -Y 50 drawing.hcl

drawj2d -T svg -W 150 -H 100 -c drawing.hcl

drawj2d -T pdf -o drawing.pdf drawing.hcl
```

#### 2.3 Viewer

Preview the drawing using the screen type argument.

```
drawj2d -Tscr drawing.hcl
drawj2d -T screen -W 297 -H 210 drawing.hcl
```

To redraw press F5. This will parse the input file again. Thus the viewer can stay open, while you edit the input file in an editor. Pressing F5 will refresh the drawing. To close the window type ESC.

## 2.4 Output file types

## **Vector formats**

pdf	Portable Document Format (Acrobat Reader, pdfLaTeX) backend mode Freehep, fallback mode JFree
svg	Scalable Vector Graphics (Browser, OpenOffice/LibreOffice) backend mode Freehep, fallback mode JFree
eps	Encapsulated PostScript (LaTeX) backend mode EpsGraphics, fallback mode Freehep
emf	Enhanced Metafile (Microsoft Word) backend mode Freehep

## Raster graphics image file formats

png	Portable Network Graphics. Supports transparency.
	backend mode Freehep, fallback mode JRE
wpng	Portable Network Graphics. No transparency, white background. backend mode JRE
bmp	Bitmap Image backend mode Freehep, fallback mode JRE

#### **Intermediate formats**

tikz PGF/TikZ graphics (...LaTex)

backend mode JTikZ

Background Drawing (Fachwerk). Single colour. Recommended scale 1:50 bgd

backend mode JTikZ

rmdoc, rmn, rm ReMarkable paper tablet. Monochrome line drawing

backend mode JTikZ

dxfDrawing Exchange Format (QCAD, AutoCAD)

backend mode JTikZ

hcl Drawj2d drawing

backend mode JTikZ

## 2.5 Command line options

For help type

```
java -jar drawj2d.jar --help
```

The program will print the command line parameters.

Welcome to Drawj2d

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Version 1.3.4

Usage:

java -jar drawj2d.jar [-TWHcXYrfvqhV]

[-o OutputFile]

[InputFile] [arguments]

-T, --type Output file type: pdf (default), svg, eps, png, wpng

screen (displays the drawing)

emf, dxf, tikz, bgd, hcl

rmdoc, rmn, rm

-W, --width Graphics width (default 210mm) -H, --height

Graphics height (default 297mm)

-c, --center Set origin to center of sheet, instead of top left -X, --originx Offset origin right (default 0mm)

-Y, --originy Offset origin down (default 0mm)

Resolution of images (default 200dpi), svg (96dpi) -r, --resolution

-f, --fallback Fallback mode

-F, --frontend Input file type: hcl (default), bgd, ypd

-v, --verbose Verbose output

-q, --quiet No messages to stdout

-h, --help Usage information; this help screen

-V, --version Display version

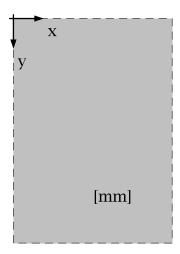
-o --outfile OutputFile OutputFile name (default: out-filename)

InputFile or - (stdin). If omitted reads from stdin InputFile arguments Arguments passed to the drawing in the variable \$argv

# 3 Drawj2D Function Reference

## 3.1 Utility commands: coordinates and units

The Drawj2d coordinate system is shown below. The y-axis points downwards!



The sheet unit is mm. The drawing unit is not predefined, the scale can be set. Initially the drawing unit is assumed to be mm (scale 1:1). The scale for arrows representing forces can be set separately.

## 3.1.1 unitlength (unitsize)

Set the scale.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

unitlength scale unit unitlength mm unitlength

```
    scale scaling factor, e.g. [/ 1. 100.]
    unit mm | cm | meter, m | km | μm | nm | inch, in | foot, ft | yard, yd | mile | point, pt | number in mm. Default: mm
    mm the length (in mm) on the sheet for one drawing unit
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
unitlength [/ 1. 50.] m; # Scale 1:50, assuming the input units are in m
puts [unitlength]; # Prints 20.0 (1000mm/50 = 20.0mm)
```

## 3.1.2 forceunitlength

Force unit length.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

forceunitlength mm decdigits forceunitlength mm forceunitlength

mm the length (in mm) on the sheet for one force unit (usually kN)

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
forceunitlength 5.0 1; # 1kN is drawn 5.0mm, assuming the input unit
# is kN. Force values are written with one
# decimal after the point, e.g.
# 10.333kN will be written 10.3.

forceunitlength; # Equivalent to: forceunitlength 1.0 1
```

#### 3.1.3 offset

Offset the origin (0/0) coordinate. Offset is relative to the previous origin position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

offset dX dY

dX offset to the right, measured in drawing units

dY offset downwards, measured in drawing units

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
offset 1 1
offset [mm 1 1]
```

#### 3.1.4 here (r), herepolar (rp)

Get the current position. Or a position relative to the current one.

**SYNOPSIS** 

here dx dy

here

herepolar  $dL \alpha$ 

herepolar

dx dy Relative coordinates from the current position. "0 0" if omitted.

 $dL \alpha$  Relative polar coordinates from the current position. "0 0" if omitted.

```
set pos [here]
puts $pos;  # Prints the coordinates of the current position.
```

#### 3.1.5 mm

mm to unit length conversion.

**SYNOPSIS** 

 $\mathbf{mm}\ length 1\ length 2\ ...$ 

mm length

length length measured in mm

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moverel [mm 0 10]; # Moves the cursor 10mm downwards.
```

## 3.1.6 fu (kN)

Force unit to unit length conversion.

**SYNOPSIS** 

**fu** forcevalue1 forcevalue2 ...

fu forcevalue

forcevalue force value measured in force unit, usually kN

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
arrowrel [kN 0 10]; # Draws an arrow 10kN downwards.
```

## 3.1.7 X, Y

Get the X (or Y) coordinate of a position  $\{x y\}$ .

X is equivalent to: [lindex \$pos 0]. Y is equivalent to: [lindex \$pos 1].

**SYNOPSIS** 

X pos

Y pos

pos coordinate pair

```
set pos {120 300}
puts [X $pos]; # Prints 120
puts [Y $pos]; # Prints 300
```

## 3.1.8 FX, FY

Get the FX (or FY) component of a force {x y Fx Fy}. FX is equivalent to: [lindex \$F 2]. FY is equivalent to: [lindex \$F 3].

#### **SYNOPSIS**

FX F

FY F

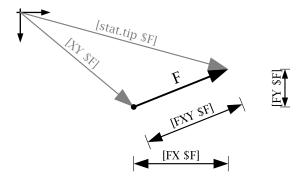
*F* force "x y Fx Fy"

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set F {10 0 20 100}
puts [FX $F]; # Prints 20
puts [FY $F]; # Prints 100
```

## 3.1.9 XY, FXY

Get the application point "x y" or the components "Fx Fy" of a force {x y Fx Fy}.



XY is equivalent to: "[lindex \$F 0] [lindex \$F 1]". FXY is equivalent to: "[lindex \$F 2] [lindex \$F 3]".

## **SYNOPSIS**

XYF

 $\mathbf{FXY} F$ 

*F* force "x y Fx Fy"

```
set F {10 0 20 100}
puts [XY $F]; # Prints 10 0
puts [FXY $F]; # Prints 20 100
```

## 3.2 Utility commands: pen, font and mathematical expressions

#### 3.2.1 pen

The pen defines the current colour, line stroke width and line type. The command returns the previous pen settings.

```
SYNOPSIS

pen [color] [linewidth] [linetype]

pen color

pen linewidth

pen linetype

pen
```

color black, k|blue, b|cyan, c|darkgray, d|gray, a|green, g|lightgray, l|magenta, m|orange, o|pink, p|red, r|white, w|yellow, y|brown|darkorange|darkgreen

|violet|purple|inkblue|inkred|0xrrggbb (hexadecimal values for red, green, blue)

linewidth Line stroke width in mm. Default: 0.5 mm
linetype dashed | dotted | dashdotted | solid

(none) equal to: pen black 0.5 solid

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
pen red dashdotted
line 0 0 100 0
set prevpen [pen 0x87431D];  # color hex values. r:87, g:43, b:1D (brown)
puts $prevpen;  # Prints red dashdotted 0.5
pen $prevpen;  # Applies the stored attributes
```

## 3.2.2 font

Set the font. Choose a truetype (outline) font or the line font Lines. The line font is useful for output types (e.g. rm) not supporting fill.

```
SYNOPSIS
```

```
font [fontname] [style] [size]
font fontname
font style
font size
font
```

fontname Serif | SansSerif | Monospaced | TeX | Lines | LinesMono or font name

style plain, up | bold, bf | italic, itsize font height in mm. 0.1 mm steps.(none) equivalent to: font Serif plain 4

font Serif italic	« Tout est pour le mieux dans le meilleur des mondes »
font Lines plain	« Il faut cultiver notre jardin »
font Lines italic	« Vouloir nous brûle et pouvoir nous détruit; mais savoir laisse notre faible organisation dans un perpétuel état de calme »
font "Linux Libertine O" plain	« Je me sentais un monstre. Hélas, jamais je ne deviendrais rhinocéros: je ne pouvais plus changer. »

#### 3.2.3 hatch

Set the hatch pattern.

**SYNOPSIS** 

hatch angle spacing hatch angle

hatch

angle hatch pattern angle in degrees. Default -45°.

*spacing* hatch pattern spacing in drawing units. If omitted or set to 0, the spacing is 5 mm.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
hatch 75 [mm 2]
```

## 3.2.4 opacity

Set the opacity. Output modes supporting transparency are -T screen and -T png (and fallback modes -Tpdf -f and -Tsvg -f).

**SYNOPSIS** 

opacity value

opacity

value float value from 0 to 1. 1.0 is opaque. If omitted the value is set to 1.0 (opaque).

#### 3.2.5 today

Returns the current date.

**SYNOPSIS** 

today style locale

today style

today

style full | long | short | medium, default

locale language or language-country code, e.g. de or en-GB. If omitted the language is taken from the computer settings.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [today medium en-GB]; # Prints 14-Mar-2017, if run that day.
puts [today medium de]; # Prints 14.03.2017
puts [today]; # Prints 14.03.2017 in DE or 14-Mar-2017 in GB
```

#### 3.2.6 nf

Returns a formatted number.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**nf** number decdigits

nf number

*number* the number to be formatted

decdigits Amount of digits beyond point. If omitted the value set by dimline (default 3) is used.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set L 4.6666667
puts [nf $L 2]; # Prints 4.67
puts [nf $L]; # Prints 4.667, unless default value has been changed.
```

#### **3.2.7** format

Returns a formatted string in the style of printf. Customizes formatting of float numbers (place-holders %f, %e, %g) and integer numbers (%d) or inserts a string (%s) into a text template.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**format** *text&placeholders value* ...locale **format** *text&placeholders value* ...

text&placeholders Text containing place-holders %f, %e, %g, %d, %s, %c.

\$10.3f means ten characters in width, right justified, with three places after

decimal point. For details refer to the *java.String.format* documentation.

value number (integer or float) or string to be inserted

locale language-country code, e.g. de-CH. Affects the way numbers are formatted

(decimal dot or comma).

```
set L 4.67
format %.3f $L;  # --> "4.670"
format %7.3f $L;  # --> " 4.670"
set m 12; set h [* 24 365]
puts [format "%d mo = %,d h" $m $h de-CH]; # Prints 12 mo = 8'760 h
```

#### 3.2.8 expr

Calculates the value of a mathematical or boolean expression. Functions are case insensitive. Angles are expected in degrees (this differs from tcl and from the hecl trigonometric functions!) unless the function has a trailing R. Boolean operators always result in a value of 1 or 0 (zero), any non-zero value is treated as a true value.

```
SYNOPSIS
expr mathexpr
expr boolexpr
mathexpr
           Mathematical expression.
           Supported operators: + - * / % (remainder) ^ (or **)
           Trigonometric functions: SIN COS TAN COT SEC CSC ASIN ACOS ATAN ACOT ATAN2(y,x)
           or in radians: SINR COSR TANR COTR SECR CSCR ASINR ACOSR ATANR ACOTR ATAN2R(y,x)
           Hyperbolic functions: SINH COSH TANH COTH SECH CSCH ASINH ACOSH ATANH
           Functions: LOG LOG10 SQRT EXP RAD DEG FACT RANDOM() ABS FLOOR CEILING
           ROUND(expression, precision) MIN(e1,e2, ...) MAX(e1,e2, ...)
           Constants: e PI NULL
boolexpr
           Boolean expression.
           Supported operators: = (or ==) ~= != (or <>) < <= > >= && ||
           Boolean functions: NOT(expression) IF(condition, value_if_true, value_if_false)
           Constants: TRUE (value one) FALSE (value zero)
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

## 3.2.9 exprinput

Returns the mathematical expression. Useful to check what the command expr would get as input.

## **SYNOPSIS**

**exprinput** mathexpr

mathexpr mathematical expression

```
set D 4.4
puts [exprinput $D /2 * sin(30)]; # Prints 4.4 /2 * sin(30)
```

#### 3.2.10 assert

Verifies that an assertion is fulfilled. Actually a mathematical expression is evaluated. If the return value is other than 1 (== true), an exception is raised.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**assert** condition message **assert** condition

condition A condition that is expected to be true. For comparisons use <, >, <=, >=, = or  $\sim=$ . The

operator ~= tests whether both sides are approximately equal (up to 11 significant digits).

"\$val  $\sim$ = 0" is assumed to be true for  $|\$val| < 10^{-11}$ .

message optional message that helps to identify the assertion in case of failure

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set h 250
# The program will abort if an assertion turns out to be wrong
assert "$h > 200" InputCheck
```

## 3.3 Drawing commands: points and lines

#### 3.3.1 moveto (m)

Move the cursor to a new position. The new position is given by its coordinates.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
moveto x1 y1
moveto pos1
```

```
x1 y1 new positionpos1 new position
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set pos {50 0}
moveto $pos
```

#### 3.3.2 movetox (mx), movetoy (my)

Move the cursor to a new x-coordinate while keeping the y-coordinate. Or move the cursor to a new y-coordinate while keeping the x-coordinate.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

movetox x1

movetox posP

```
x1 new x-coordinateposP Position "x1 yP". The x-coordinate is used only.
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 50 0
movetox {60 45}
puts [here]; # Prints 60 0.
movetoy 30
puts [here]; # Prints 60 30.
```

## 3.3.3 moverel (mr)

Move the cursor relative to the actual position.

```
SYNOPSIS
```

moverel dx dy moverel vector

dx dy coordinate incrementvector vector of movement

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 50 0
moverel 10 30
puts [here]; # Prints 60 30.
```

## 3.3.4 movepolar (mp)

Move the cursor in polar direction relative to the actual position.

## **SYNOPSIS**

movepolar  $dL \alpha$ 

- *dL* distance to current position
- $\alpha$  azimuth (angle to x-axis, in degrees, clock-wise)

```
moveto 5.0 0.0
movepolar 2.0 60
puts [here]; # Prints 6.0 1.732
```

## 3.3.5 point (pt), dot

Mark a point at the given coordinate. Moves the cursor there. The point command draws a small circle (diameter =  $1.4 \times \text{linewidth}$ ), the dot command a larger one (diameter 1.5 mm).

```
SYNOPSIS

point x1 y1

point pos1

point

x1 y1 point coordinates
```

point position

#### **EXAMPLE**

pos1

## 3.3.6 line (l), lineto (l)

Draw a line from the first coordinate to the second one. Or draw a line from the actual cursor position to the given coordinate. Sets the cursor to the end of the line (second coordinate x1 y1).

```
SYNOPSIS
```

```
line x0 y0 x1 y1 ...
line pos0 pos1 ...
lineto x1 y1
lineto pos1
```

```
x0 y0 Beginning position of the line. Current position if omitted.
```

*x1 y1* ending position of the line

*pos0* Beginning position of the line. Current position if omitted.

pos1 ending position of the line

## **EXAMPLE**

```
line 5 5 5 30
lineto 30 30
set TR {30 5}
lineto $TR
```

## 3.3.7 linetox (lx), linetoy (ly)

Draw a horizontal line to a new x-coordinate. Or draw a vertical line to a new y-coordinate. Equivalent to commands "lineto [geom.tox \$posP]".

#### **SYNOPSIS**

linetox x1

linetox posP

*x1* new x-coordinate

posP Position "x1 yP". The x-coordinate is used only.

## 3.3.8 linerel (lr)

Draw a line from the actual cursor position to the given relative position. Sets the cursor to the end of the line.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

linerel dx dy

linerel vector

dx dy coordinate increment

vector vector of movement

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 5 5
linerel 0 25
linerel {25 0}
```

## 3.3.9 linepolar (lp)

Draw a line given its length and direction relative to the actual position. Sets the cursor to the end of the line.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

linepolar  $dL \alpha$ 

dL distance to current position

 $\alpha$  azimuth (angle to x-axis, in degrees, clock-wise)

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 5.0 0.0
linepolar 2.0 60
puts [here]; # Prints 6.0 1.732
```

## 3.3.10 linemid (lm)

Draw a line given its length and direction. The middle of the line is set at the cursor position. The cursor does not move.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

- L line length
- $\alpha$  Orientation of the line. Horizontal ( $\alpha = 0$ ) if omitted.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 17.5 5 linemid 25
```

#### 3.3.11 doubleline

Draw two parallel lines defined by the axis in the middle of them (starting point and orientation), length and width. Similar to the *rod* command but open. Sets the cursor to the end point on the axis, L from the starting point.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
doubleline x0 y0 L w \alpha doubleline x0 y0 L w \alpha doubleline pos0 L w doubleline L w \alpha doubleline L w \alpha doubleline L w
```

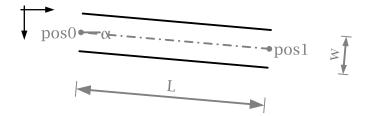
*x0 y0* coordinates on centre axis

*pos0* Coordinates on centre axis. If omitted current cursor position.

L length w width

 $\alpha$  orientation, in degrees, clock-wise

```
moveto 15 7
doubleline 50 10 18
```



#### 3.3.12 arc

Draw an arc. Zero angle is where the x-axis points to. Clock-wise, consistent with the coordinate system. Sets the cursor to the centre.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**arc** x1 y1 radius startangle endangle **arc** pos1 radius startangle endangle **arc** radius startangle endangle

x1 y1 centre

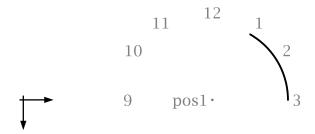
pos1 Centre. Current cursor position if omitted.

radius radius

startangle in degrees, clock-wiseendangle in degrees, clock-wise

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set hour1 -60; set hour3 0
# Draw an arc from one-o-clock to three-o-clock
arc 50 0 20 $hour1 $hour3
```



#### 3.3.13 arc2

Draw an arc. It is defined by the starting point, a control point and the end point. The control point is on the tangent at the starting point. Sets the cursor to the last point.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

arc2 x0 y0 xCtrl yCtrl x1 y1 arc2 xCtrl yCtrl x1 y1 quadcurve pos0 posCtrl pos1 quadcurve posCtrl pos1

*x0 y0* starting point

pos0 Starting point. Current cursor position if omitted.

*xCtrl yCtrl* control point

posCtrl Control point. On tangent at starting point.

x1 y1 end pointpos1 end point

#### 3.3.14 quadcurve (parabola)

Draw a parabola. It is defined by the starting point, a control point and the end point. The control point is the intersection point of the tangents at starting and end points. Sets the cursor to the last point.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

quadcurve x0 y0 xCtrl yCtrl x1 y1 quadcurve xCtrl yCtrl x1 y1 quadcurve pos0 posCtrl pos1 quadcurve posCtrl pos1

*x0 y0* starting point

pos0 Starting point. Current cursor position if omitted.

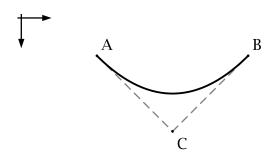
*xCtrl yCtrl* control point

posCtrl Control point. Intersection of tangents.

x1 y1 end point pos1 end point

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set A {20 10}; point $A; label A
set B {60 10}; point $B; label B
set C {40 30}
pen dashed 0.35 gray
line $A $C $B;  # Tangents
pen
point $C; label C SE
quadcurve $A $C $B;  # Parabola
```



#### 3.3.15 cubiccurve

Draw a cubic parabola. It is defined by the starting point, two control points and the end point. The control points are on the tangents at the starting and end points. Sets the cursor to the last point.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

cubiccurve x0 y0 x0Ctrl y0Ctrl x1Ctrl y1Ctrl x1 y1 cubiccurve x0Ctrl y0Ctrl x1Ctrl y1Ctrl x1 y1 cubiccurve pos0 pos0Ctrl pos1Ctrl pos1 cubiccurve pos0Ctrl pos1Ctrl pos1

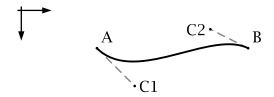
```
x0 y0 starting point
```

pos0 Starting point. Current cursor position if omitted.

 $x0Ctrl\ y0Ctrl$ first control pointpos0Ctrlfirst control point $x1Ctrl\ y1Ctrl$ second control pointpos1Ctrlsecond control point

x1 y1 end point pos1 end point.

#### **EXAMPLE**



## 3.4 Drawing commands: shapes and fills

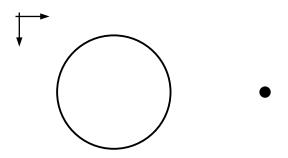
## 3.4.1 circle, fillcircle, hatchcircle

Draw or fill a circle. Sets the cursor to the centre.

## **SYNOPSIS**

circle x1 y1 radius circle pos1 radius circle radius

x1 y1 centre pos1 centre radius radius



## 3.4.2 ellipse, fillellipse, hatchellipse

Draw or fill an ellipse. Sets the cursor to the centre.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

ellipse x1 y1 radius1 radius2 angle1 ellipse radius1 radius2 angle1 ellipse radius1 radius2

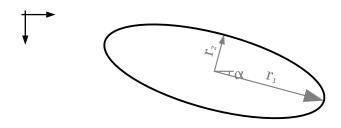
x1 y1 centre

radius1 radius in first directionradius2 radius in second direction

angle1 Angle in degrees between x-axis and first direction, clock-wise. 0° if omitted.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 50 15
ellipse 30 10 15
```



## 3.4.3 rectangle (rect)

Draw a rectangle defined by its width and height. See also box and rod commands. The cursor position remains at (or moves to) the starting corner pos1.

## **SYNOPSIS**

rectangle x1 y1 dx dy

```
rectangle pos1 dx dy rectangle dx dy
```

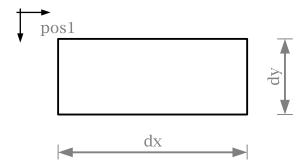
*x1 y1* Coordinates of a corner. If omitted current cursor position.

pos1 Corner position (usually top left). If omitted current cursor position.

dx width dy height

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 10 7 rectangle 50 20
```



## 3.4.4 fillrectangle (fillrect), hatchrectangle (hatchrect)

Fill a rectangle defined by its width and height. The current position remains at (or moves to) the starting corner pos1. Use the command to set the background colour.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

fillrectangle x1 y1 dx dy fillrectangle pos1 dx dy fillrectangle dx dy

*x1 y1* Coordinates of a corner. If omitted current cursor position.

pos1 Corner position (usually top left). If omitted current cursor position.

dx width dy height

EXAMPLE: For png image output, fill the sheet background with white colour (instead of transparent background).

```
pen white
fillrect 210 297; # Fill A4 sheet
pen; # Reset pen to black
unitlength 10; # Set the scale: length in mm of a drawing unit
line 2.0 0 5.0 0
```

## 3.4.5 box, fillbox, hatchbox

Draw or fill a rectangle defined by two diagonal corner points. The current position remains at (or moves to) the starting corner pos1.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**box** *x*1 *y*1 *x*2 *y*2 **box** *pos*1 *pos*C **box** *x*2 *y*2 **box** *pos*C

*x1 y1* First corner of the rectangle. Cursor position moves here.

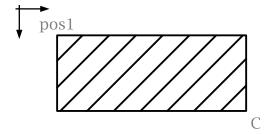
pos1 First corner of the rectangle. Cursor position moves here. If omitted current cursor

position.

x2 y2 diagonal corner of the rectangleposC diagonal corner of the rectangle

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 10 7;  # first corner (here top left, but not necessarily)
hatchbox 60 27
box 60 27;  # diagonal corner
```



## 3.4.6 rectmid, fillrectmid, hatchrectmid

Draw or fill a rectangle defined by its centre, width and height. The current position remains at (or moves to) the centre.

## **SYNOPSIS**

rectmid x1 y1 dx dy  $\alpha$  rectmid pos1 dx dy  $\alpha$  rectmid x1 y1 dx dy rectmid pos1 dx dy rectmid dx dy  $\alpha$  rectmid dx dy  $\alpha$ 

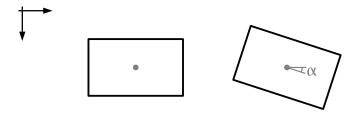
x1 y1 centre

*pos1* Centre. If omitted current cursor position.

```
dx width dy height \alpha Orientation of the rectangle. \alpha = 0 if omitted.
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 30 15
rectmid 25 15
moverel 40 0
rectmid 25 15 18
```



## 3.4.7 rod, fillrod, hatchrod

Draw or fill a rectangle defined by its axis (starting point and orientation), length and width. Sets the cursor to the end point on the axis, L from the starting point.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{rod} \ x0 \ y0 \ L \ w \ \alpha \\ \mathbf{rod} \ x0 \ y0 \ L \ w \\ \mathbf{rod} \ pos0 \ L \ w \ \alpha \\ \mathbf{rod} \ pos0 \ L \ w \\ \mathbf{rod} \ L \ w \ \alpha \\ \mathbf{rod} \ L \ w \ \alpha \\ \end{array}$ 

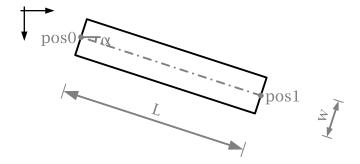
*x0 y0* coordinates on rod axis

pos0 Coordinates on rod axis. If omitted current cursor position.

L lengthw width

 $\alpha$  orientation, in degrees, clock-wise

```
moveto 15 7
rod 50 10 18
```



## 3.4.8 polygon, fillpolygon, hatchpolygon

Draw a polygon defined by at least three vertices. The current position moves to the starting vertex A. The command polygon \$A \$B \$C is equivalent to "line \$A \$B; lineto \$C; lineto \$A".

#### **SYNOPSIS**

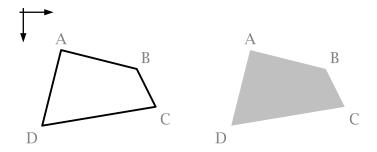
```
polygon x1 y1 x2 y2 x3 y3 .....
polygon posA posB posC ...
```

x1 y1 First vertex of the polygon. Cursor position moves here.posA First vertex of the polygon. Cursor position moves here.

x2 y2 x3 y4 further vertices posB posC further vertices

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set A {10 10}
set B {30 15}
set C {35 25}
set D { 5 30}
polygon $A $B $C $D
offset 50 0
pen lightgray
fillpolygon $A $B $C $D
```



## 3.4.9 segment, fillsegment, hatchsegment

Draw or fill a segment of a circle. Zero angle is where the x-axis points to. Clock-wise, consistent with the coordinate system. Sets the cursor to the centre.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**segment** x1 y1 radius startangle endangle **segment** pos1 radius startangle endangle **segment** radius startangle endangle

x1 y1 centre

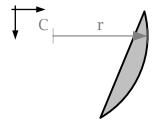
pos1 Centre. Current cursor position if omitted.

radius radius

startangle in degrees, clock-wiseendangle in degrees, clock-wise

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set C {10 7}
set r 25
set α -15
set β 60
pen lightgray
fillsegment $C $r $α $β
pen black
segment $r $α $β
```



## 3.4.10 sector, fillsector, hatchsector

Draw or fill a sector. Zero angle is where the x-axis points to. Clock-wise, consistent with the coordinate system. Sets the cursor to the centre.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**sector** x1 y1 radius startangle endangle **sector** pos1 radius startangle endangle **sector** radius startangle endangle

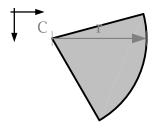
*x1 y1* centre

pos1 Centre. Current cursor position if omitted.

radius radius

startangle in degrees, clock-wise endangle in degrees, clock-wise

```
set C {10 7}
set r 25
set α -15
set β 60
pen lightgray
fillsector $C $r $α $β
pen black
sector $r $α $β
```



#### 3.4.11 image

Insert an image. The cursor position does not move. Pdf files are interpreted, a subset of the specification is implemented. Pdf files created by scanners or by drawj2d usually work, complex pdf with embedded fonts often do not.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

image filename dpi pxX pxY 1: x
image filename dpi pxX pxY
image filename dpi
image filename
image file.pdf page mmX mmY 1: x
image file.pdf page mmX mmY
image file.pdf page
image file.pdf

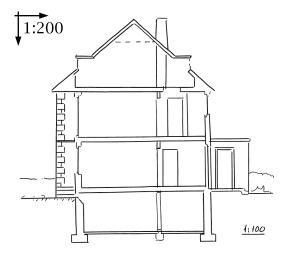
filename image file (\*.png|jpeg|bmp|svg)
file.pdf portable document file (\*.pdf)

dpi Image resolution [dots per inch]. Default: 200 / 96 (svg)

page Selected page. If omitted the first page.

pxX pxY Pixel coordinates of insertion point. If omitted top left corner of the image. mmX mmY Coordinates [mm] of insertion point. If omitted top left corner of the pdf. 1: x Scale e.g. 100. If omitted or 0 the image will not be scaled to natural units.

```
unitlength [expr 1/200] m
image section.png 200 0 0 100; # drawing 1:100 scanned at 200dpi
label {1:200} SE
```



```
unitlength [expr 1/200] m
image section.pdf 1 0 0 100; # drawing 1:100 scanned to pdf
label {1:200} SE
```

#### 3.4.12 dxf

Insert a vector line drawing, e.g. a CAD dxf file. The cursor position does not move. Colour, line width, line style and font are taken from the current drawj2d context (dxf style attributes are neglected). Repeat the command to apply different pen styles to different dxf layers. Many elementary dxf entities are supported, including blocks (single inserts only).

#### **SYNOPSIS**

dxf filename unit dX dY optionsdxf filename unit dX dYdxf filename unitdxf filename

filename vector drawing file (\*.dxf|bgd|bgd.gz|csv)

unit  $mm \mid cm \mid meter, m \mid km \mid \mu m \mid nm \mid inch, in \mid foot, ft \mid yard, yd \mid mile \mid point, pt \mid number$ 

in mm. Default: mm

dX dY Drawing coordinates of insertion point. If omitted origin 0/0.

options Layer names (if omitted all visible layers will be drawn, use prefix <> to exclude a layer)

or flags:doText(default)|:noText|:doInsert(default)|:noInsert|:verbose.

Options shall be separated by commas.

```
unitlength [expr 1/20] m
pen black 0.2
dxf section.dxf m 0.2 -2.0 {Section, Elevation}
pen red dashdotted
dxf section.dxf m 0.2 -2.0 Axes
```

## 3.5 Drawing commands: labels and arrows

#### 3.5.1 label (lb)

Label the position of the cursor. Or align a label in the middle of two points.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

label Text xA yA xB yB label Text posA posB label Text lineAB label Text placement label Text

label lext

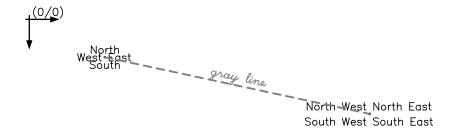
xA yA first point of imaginary line
 xB yB second point of imaginary line
 posA first point of imaginary line
 posB second point of imaginary line
 lineAB imaginary line "xA yA xB yB"

cursor forward. If omitted NE.

Text Label text. Unicode chars shall be UTF-8 formatted or escaped using escu and the hexa-

decimal index (e.g. escu00b7 for the middle dot  $\cdot$  unicode char U+00B7).

```
font Lines 3;
                           # Set font type and size
label "(0/0)"
point 20 10; set A [here]
label North N
label East E
label South S
label West W
point 90 25; set B [here]
label "North East" NE; label "South East" SE
label "South West" SW; label "North West" NW
set color gray
pen $color; pen dashed
line $A $B
# Note the label argument below: "$color" evaluates variable, {$color} would not.
font Lines italic 4
label "$color line" $A $B
```



#### 3.5.2 texlabel (tlb)

Label the position of the cursor using TEX math syntax. Or align a label in the middle of two points.

## **SYNOPSIS**

texlabel Text xA yA xB yB texlabel Text posA posB texlabel Text lineAB texlabel Text placement texlabel Text

xA yA first point of imaginary line
 xB yB second point of imaginary line
 posA first point of imaginary line
 posB second point of imaginary line
 lineAB imaginary line "xA yA xB yB"

placement The placement of the label: NE | BL | E | SE | S | SW | W | BW | NW | N | BC | C. BLC moves the

cursor forward. If omitted NE.

*Text* Label text using TeX syntax. If there is white space, enclose the text with curly brackets.

If the text contains variables, use quotation marks instead. Within quotation marks any

backslash must be escaped, thus a double backslash is required.

For values with a unit there is \SI{value}{unit}.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
point 20 10
  texlabel {\sqrt{a^2+b^2} = c};  # Curly brackets
point 40 10
  set a 3; set b 4
  texlabel "\\sqrt{\$a^2+\$b^2}=5";  # Double backslash
point 70 10
  texlabel {\frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{c} = 1}
point 100 10
  texlabel {\displaystyle \frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{c} = 1}

point 10 18
  texlabel {Q_d = 1.5 \: Q_k = 1.5 \cdot \SI{6.0}{kN} = \SI{9.0}{kN}}
```

$$\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = c$$
  $\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5$   $\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{c} = 1$   $\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{c} = 1$   $\frac{Q_d = 1.5 \ Q_k = 1.5 \cdot 6.0 \ \text{kN}}{c} = 9.0 \ \text{kN}$ 

#### 3.5.3 text

Write some text. The words are wrapped if necessary. Sets the cursor a linefeed lower.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

text Text [width] [alignment]
text Text
text

width The available width for the text in drawing units. Words are wrapped if necessary. If

omitted the last used width, initially 150 mm.

alignment left | justify. If omitted the last used alignment, initially left.

Text. Unicode chars shall be UTF-8 formatted or escaped using escu and the hexadecimal

index (e.g. escu00b7 for the middle dot · unicode char U+00B7).

# **EXAMPLE**

# Description

Drawj2d creates technical line drawings using a descriptive language. It writes pdf, svg, eps and emf vector graphics or png images. It runs on all platforms that run Java. It is inspired by Asymptote but with a tcl-like syntax and 2D only.

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# 3.5.4 arrow, arrowto

Draw an arrow from the first coordinate to the second one. Or draw an arrow from the actual cursor position to the given coordinate. Sets the cursor to the arrow head.

## **SYNOPSIS**

arrow x0 y0 x1 y1 arrow pos0 pos1 arrowto x1 y1 arrowto pos1

x0 y0 Beginning position of the arrow. Current position if omitted.

*x1 y1* ending position of the arrow (arrow head)

pos0 Beginning position of the arrow. Current position if omitted.

pos1 ending position of the arrow (arrow head)

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
arrow 5 5 5 30
arrowto 30 30
set TR {30 5}
arrowto $TR
```

#### 3.5.5 arrows, arrowsto

Draw a double headed arrow from the first coordinate to the second one. Or draw a double headed arrow from the actual cursor position to the given coordinate. Sets the cursor to the new position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
arrows x0 y0 x1 y1
arrows pos0 pos1
arrowsto x1 y1
arrowsto pos1
```

*x0 y0* Beginning position of the double headed arrow. Current position if omitted.

*x1 y1* ending position of the double headed arrow

pos0 Beginning position of the double headed arrow. Current position if omitted.

pos1 ending position of the double headed arrow

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
arrows 5 5 5 30
arrowsto 30 30
set TR {30 5}
arrowsto $TR
```

## 3.5.6 arrowrel

Draw an arrow from the actual cursor position to the given relative position. Sets the cursor to the arrow head.

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
arrowrel dx dy
arrowrel vector

dx dy coordinate increment
```

vector vector of movement

```
moveto 5 5
arrowrel 0 25
arrowrel {25 0}
```

#### 3.5.7 arrowsrel

Draw a double headed arrow from the actual cursor position to the given relative position. Sets the cursor to the new position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
arrowsrel dx dy arrowsrel vector
```

```
dx dy coordinate incrementvector vector of movement
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 5 5
arrowsrel 0 25
arrowsrel {25 0}
```

#### 3.5.8 force

# analogy: texforce

Draw a force arrow (pointing away from the cursor). The label is either its absolute force value or any text. The command sets the cursor to the arrow head. The command does not do anything if the absolute force value is zero. See forceunitlength.

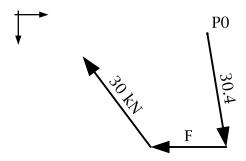
### **SYNOPSIS**

```
force x0 y0 Fx Fy Label
force x0 y0 Fx Fy
force Fx Fy Label
force Fx Fy
```

*x0 y0* force application point

*Fx Fy* force components

Label Label. If omitted the absolute force value is written. Use {} or "" to suppress any labelling. The place-holder %f inserts the absolute value, e.g. {%.1f kN}.



#### 3.5.9 force2

# analogy: texforce2

Draw a force arrow (pointing to the cursor). The label is either its absolute force value or any text. The command sets the cursor to the arrow head. The command does not do anything if the absolute force value is zero. See forceunitlength.

## **SYNOPSIS**

force2 x1 y1 Fx Fy Label force2 x1 y1 Fx Fy force2 Fx Fy Label force2 Fx Fy

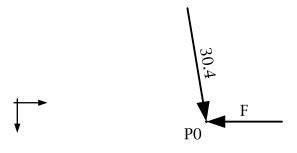
*x1 y1* force application point

*Fx Fy* force components

Label Label. If omitted the absolute force value is written. Use {} or "" to suppress any labelling. The place-holder %f inserts the absolute value, e.g. {%.1f kN}.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
point 50 5; label P0 SW
force2 5 30;  # Writes 30.4
force2 -20 0 F;  # Writes F
```



# 3.5.10 dimline, dimlineto

# analogy: texdimline, texdimlineto

Draw a dimension line (e.g. double headed arrow). The label is either its length (in drawing units) or

any text. Sets the cursor to the new position (last coordinate x1/y1).

The command followed by just a natural number sets the number of decimal digits (see dimlinerel for an example).

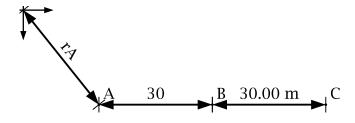
## **SYNOPSIS**

dimline x0 y0 x1 y1 Label dimline x0 y0 x1 y1 dimline pos0 pos1 Label dimline pos0 pos1 dimline decdigits dimline style dimlineto x1 y1 Label dimlineto pos1 Label dimlineto pos1

x0 y0	Beginning position of the dimension line. Current position if omitted.	
x1 y1	ending position of the dimension line	
pos0	Beginning position of the dimension line. Current position if omitted.	
pos1	ending position of the dimension line	
Label	Text. If omitted the length measured in drawing units is written. Use quotation marks if the label contains white space. The place-holder %f inserts the length value, e.g. "%.2f m".	
decdigits	Maximal number of decimal places to be written. This setting is used by any following dimension line command.	
style	arrows dots ticks arrow none	

# **EXAMPLE**

```
set A {20 25}; point $A; label A
set B {50 25}; point $B; label B
set C {80 25}; point $C; label C
dimline {0 0} $A rA;  # Writes rA
dimlineto $B;  # Writes 30
dimlineto $C "%.2f m";  # Writes 30.00 m
```



## 3.5.11 dimlinerel

## analogy: texdimlinerel

Draw a dimension line (double headed arrow) from the cursor position to a relative position. The label

is either its length (in drawing units) or any text. Sets the cursor to the new position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

dimlinerel dx dy Label dimlinerel dx dy dimlinerel vector Label dimlinerel vector

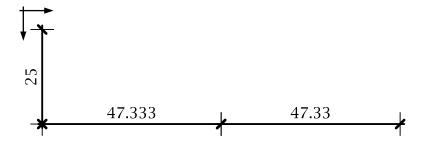
dx dy coordinate incrementvectorvector of movement

Label Text. If omitted the length measured in drawing units is written. Use quotation marks if the label contains white space. The place-holder %f inserts the length value, e.g. "%.2f m".

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto 5 5
dimline ticks;  # Sets the dimension line style.
dimlinerel 0 25.0;  # Writes 25
dimlinerel {47.3333333 0}; # Writes 47.333

dimline 2;  # Sets the number of decimal digits to 2.
dimlinerel {47.3333333 0}; # Writes 47.33
```



# 3.5.12 dimangle

# analogy: texdimangle

Draw a dimension arc at a vertex. The label is either its angle in degrees or any text. Clock-wise. The text text is a set of the vertex (pos0).

#### **SYNOPSIS**

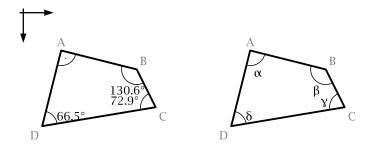
```
dimangle x0 y0 xP yP xQ yQ Label
dimangle pos0 posP posQ Label
dimangle x0 y0 xP yP xQ yQ
dimangle pos0 posP posQ
dimangle xP yP xQ yQ Label
dimangle posP posQ Label
dimangle xP yP xQ yQ
dimangle posP posQ
dimangle posP posQ
dimangle dirP dirQ Label
```

# **dimangle** dirP dirQ **dimangle** decdigits

x0 y0 Vertex. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed. Vertex. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed. pos0 xP yPadjacent vertex posP adjacent vertex adjacent vertex xQ yQposQ adjacent vertex dirPazimuth to vertex dirQ azimuth to vertex decdigits Maximal number of decimal places to be written. This setting is used by any following dimension arc (dimangle/texdimangle) command. Label Text. If omitted the angle measured in degrees is written. A "." will draw the right angle sign (whether the angle is 90° or not). The place-holder %f inserts the angle value, e.g. %.2f°.

#### **EXAMPLE**

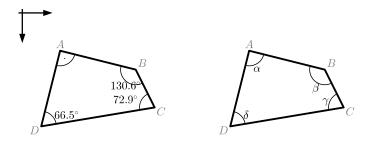
```
polygon $A $B $C $D
pen 0.2; font 3
dimangle $A $B $D
dimangle $B $C $A
dimangle $C $D $B
dimangle $D $A $C
offset 50 0; pen;  # Drawing to the right
polygon $A $B $C $D
pen 0.2
dimangle $A $B $D $A
dimangle $A $B $D $A
dimangle $A $B $D $A
dimangle $B $C $A $B
dimangle $C $D $B $C
dimangle $C $D $B $C
dimangle $D $A $C $C
```



# EXAMPLE using TEX typesetting

```
polygon $A $B $C $D
pen 0.2; font 3
texdimangle $A $B $D
texdimangle $B $C $A
texdimangle $C $D $B
texdimangle $D $A $C
offset 50 0; pen;  # Drawing to the right
```

```
polygon $A $B $C $D
pen 0.2
texdimangle $A $B $D {\alpha}
texdimangle $B $C $A {\beta}
texdimangle $C $D $B γ
texdimangle $D $A $C δ
```



# 3.6 Utility commands: blocks

A block is an invisible frame in the drawing that has its own coordinate system. It is useful to insert part drawings from a library. A block can be rotated or mirrored, without influencing the main coordinate system.

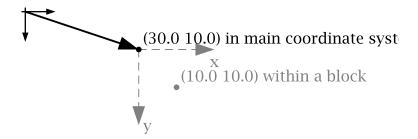
# 3.6.1 block, endblock

The block command starts its own coordinate system. Its origin is at the current location. The endblock command puts back the previous coordinate system and the cursor is placed where it was when the block command was called. A block also encapsulates the commands unitlength or forceunitlength. Blocks may be nested.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

block endblock

```
arrowto 30 10
pen dashed 0.25 gray
block
         arrow 0 0 20 0; label x S
         arrow 0 0 0 20; label y E
         dot 10 10
         label "([here]) within a block"
endblock
pen
dot
label "([here]) in main coordinate system"
```



The block coordinate system can be manipulated using the commands block.rotate, block.flip, block.scale or offset.

#### 3.6.2 block.rotate

Rotate the block's coordinate system. The cursor stays at its absolute position.

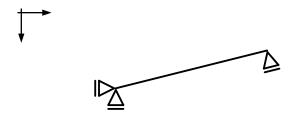
## **SYNOPSIS**

block.rotate  $\alpha$ 

α azimuth (angle to global x-axis, in degrees, clock-wise)

Blocks are useful for inserting drawing blocks, e.g from a separate file (block; source externaldrawing.hcl; endblock). In the example below a typical part is wrapped in a procedure (see chapter 3.9).

```
# The procedure could be put in a file library.hcl
# and then loaded by the command: source library.hcl
proc bearing {rot} {
        block
        block.rotate $rot
        set bl [mm 4]; # baselength
        set ofs [+ [mm 0.25] [* 0.05 $bl]]; # offset
        set ofl [+ [mm 0.25] [* 1.3 $bl]]; # line offset
        moveto 0 $ofs
        linerel [½ -$bl] $bl
        linerel $bl 0
        lineto 0 $ofs
        moveto [½ -$bl] $ofl
        linerel $bl 0
        endblock
}
set A {25 20}
set B {65 10}
set \beta [geom.azimuth A \ B]
moveto $A
bearing 0
bearing 90
lineto $B
bearing $β
```



# 3.6.3 block.flip

Flip the block's coordinate system. Thus the local y-axis points upwards instead of downwards. Be aware that labels will be mirrored too. The cursor stays at its absolute position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

block.flip

#### 3.6.4 block.scale

Scale the local axes. These scale factors are applied to the previous scale. Be aware that everything will be scaled, e.g. line widths and labels too.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**block.scale** sx sy **block.scale** s

- sx scale factor for local x-axis
- sy scale factor for local y-axis
- s scale factor for both axes

# 3.7 Geometry commands

The geometry commands geom.\* are utility commands for calculations with vectors "x y". The commands do not draw.

# 3.7.1 geom.vector (geom.v)

Constructs the vector specified by two points. Equivalent to [-- \$posB \$posA].

## **SYNOPSIS**

geom.vector x1 y1 x2 y2 geom.vector posA posB geom.vector x2 y2 geom.vector posB

*x1 y1* First point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.

x2 y2 second point

*posA* First point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.

*posB* second point

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.vector 10 10 37 20]; # Writes 27.0 10.0
```

# 3.7.2 **geom.polar** (p)

Returns a vector that is rotated by an angle (in degrees) from the x-axis. If the length is omitted the unit vector {1 0} is assumed to be rotated, otherwise {dL 0}.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.polar dL \alpha geom.polar \alpha
```

- dL length
- $\alpha$  azimuth (angle to x-axis, in degrees, clock-wise)

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.polar 2.0 60];  # Prints 1.000 1.732
puts [geom.polar 60];  # Prints 0.500 0.866
```

# 3.7.3 geom.add (++)

Computes the vector sum.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.add v1 v2 ...
```

++ v1 v2 ...

- *v1* first vector or point
- *v2* second vector

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [++ {3.0 0.5} {2 2}]; # Writes 5.0 2.5
```

# **3.7.4 geom.subtract** (--)

Computes the vector subtraction.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.substract v1 v2 ...
```

```
-- v1 v2 ...
```

```
v1 first vector or point
```

*v2* second vector

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [-- {3.0 0.5} {2 2}];  # Writes 1.0 -1.5
puts [-- {12 37} {3 12} {2 4}]; # Writes 7.0 21.0
```

# 3.7.5 **geom.multiply** (\*\*)

Computes a vector scaled by multiplication.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.multiply factor vector

** factor vector
```

```
factor scaling factor vector "dx dy"
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [** 1.5 {2 3}]; # Writes 3.0 4.5
```

# 3.7.6 geom.divide (//)

Computes a vector scaled by division.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

geom.divide vector quotient

// vector quotient

```
vector "dx dy"quotient scaling quotient
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [// {3.0 4.5} 1.5]; # Writes 2.0 3.0
```

# 3.7.7 geom.half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ )

Computes a vector or scalar scaled by the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.half dx dy
geom.half vector
geom.half scalar
```

```
vector "dx dy" dx number
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [½ 3.0 4.5]; # Writes 1.5 2.25
```

## 3.7.8 geom.norm

Returns a unit length vector with the same direction as the input vector.

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.norm dx dy geom.norm v
dx dy \quad \text{vector}
v \quad \text{vector}
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.norm 30 40]; # Writes 0.6 0.8
```

# 3.7.9 geom.rotate

Returns a vector that is rotated by an angle (in degrees) compared to the input vector.

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.rotate dx dy \theta
geom.rotate v \theta
geom.rotate v
dx dy vector
v vector
\theta Angle in degrees. If omitted 90°
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.rotate {1 0} 30]; # Writes 0.866 5.0
puts [geom.rotate 1 0]; # Writes 0.0 1.0
```

# 3.7.10 geom.online

Returns the point on the line defined by "x0 y0 x1 y1" a given fraction from x0,y0. E.g. [geom.online \$A \$B 0.5] returns the position in the middle of the two points, while [geom.online \$A \$B 0] returns the position of \$A and [geom.online \$A \$B 1] the position of \$B.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.online x1 y1 x2 y2 fraction geom.online posA posB fraction
```

```
x1 y1 first point x2 y2 second point posA first point posB second point fraction fraction of the distance AB
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.online 10 10 24 10 0.6]; # Writes 18.4 10.0
```

# 3.7.11 **geom.tox** (tx), **geom.toy** (ty)

Returns the position with a given x coordinate that is horizontally aligned with the cursor position. Or returns the position with a given y coordinate that is vertically aligned with the cursor position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.tox posP
geom.tox x1

posP    position "x1 yP"
x1    x-coordinate
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
moveto {5.0 1.2}
set P {9.0 3.5}
puts [tx 8.5]; # Writes 8.5 1.2
puts [tx $P]; # Writes 9.0 1.2
puts [ty 3.0]; # Writes 5.0 3.0
puts [ty $P]; # Writes 5.0 3.5
```

## 3.7.12 geom.intersect

Returns the intersection point of the extensions of two lines  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CD}$ . If the lines are parallel the command raises an exception.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.intersect xA yA xB yB xC yC xD yD geom.intersect posA posB posC posD
```

```
xA yA first point of line AB xB yB second point of line AB
```

```
    xC yC
    first point of line CD
    xD yD
    second point of line CD
    posA
    first point of line AB
    posB
    second point of line AB
    posC
    first point of line CD
    posD
    second point of line CD
```

## **EXAMPLE**

see below

# 3.7.13 geom.intersectlinepath

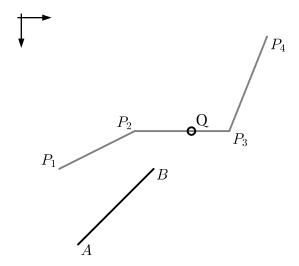
Returns the first intersection point of the extensions of a line  $\overline{AB}$  with a path  $\overline{P_1P_2}$ .... If the extension of the line does not intersect the path, an exception is raised.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.intersectlinepath xA yA xB yB x1 y1 x2 y2 ... geom.intersectlinepath posA posB posP1 posP2 ...
```

```
xA yA
         first point of line AB
xB yB
         second point of line AB
         first point of path
x1 y1
x2 y2
         second point of path
         first point of line AB
posA
         second point of line AB
posB
posP1
         first point of path
         second point of path
posP2
```

```
unitlength 10
set A {1.5 6.0}; m $A; tlb A SE
set B {3.5 4.0}; m $B; tlb B SE
set P1 {1.0 4.0}; m $P1; tlb P_1 NW
set P2 {3.0 3.0}; m $P2; tlb P_2 NW
set P3 {5.5 3.0}; m $P3; tlb P_3 SE
set P4 {6.5 0.5}; m $P4; tlb P_4 SE
pen gray
l $P1 $P2 $P3 $P4
pen black
l $A $B
circle [geom.intersectlinepath $A $B $P1 $P2 $P3 $P4] [mm 1]
label Q
```



# 3.7.14 geom.intersectcircles

Returns the intersection point(s) of two circles. If the circles do not intersect or if they are are coincident, an exception is raised.

# **SYNOPSIS**

**geom.intersectcircles** xA yA rA xB yB rB nb **geom.intersectcircles** xA yA rA xB yB rB

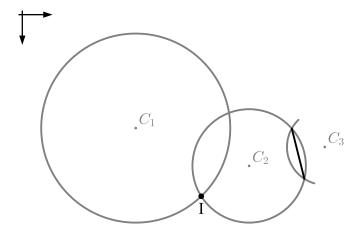
xA yA rA first circle (centre coordinates, radius)

*xB yB rB* second circle

*nb* requested number of intersection points. 2: both. 1: Right intersection point, seen from the centre of the first circle looking to the centre of the second circle (default).

0: Query only if there is a valid intersection point, returns true or false.

```
pen gray
set c1 {30 30 25}; circle $c1; pt; tlb C_1
set c2 {60 40 15}; circle $c2; pt; tlb C_2
set c3 {80 35 10}; arc $c3 106 -134; pt; tlb C_3
pen black
dot [geom.intersectcircles $c1 $c2 ]; label I S
line [geom.intersectcircles $c3 $c2 2]
```



# 3.7.15 geom.intersectcircleline

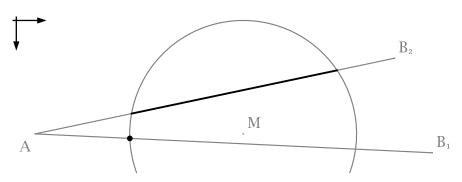
Returns the intersection point(s) of a circle and a line  $\overline{AB}$  or its extensions. If the line does not intersect the circle, an exception is raised.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.intersectcircleline xM yM r xA yA xB yB nb geom.intersectcircleline xM yM r xA yA xB yB
```

```
xM yM rM circle (centre coordinates, radius) xA yA xB yB line (point A, point B)
```

nb requested number of intersection points. 2: both. 1: First intersection point in line direction (default). 0: Query only if there is a valid intersection point, returns true or false.



## 3.7.16 geom.centroid

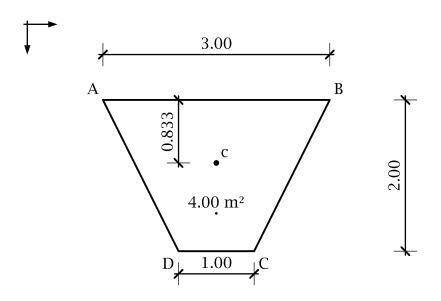
Returns the centre of gravity of an area (surrounded by a polygon).

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.centroid xA yA xB yB xC yC ... geom.centroid posA posB posC ...
```

```
xA yA first point of polygon
xB yB second point of polygon
xC yC third point of polygon
posA first point of polygon
posB second point of polygon
posC third point of polygon
```

```
unitlength 20
dimline ticks
set A {1 1}; m $A; lb A NW
set B {4 1}; m $B; lb B NE
set C {3 3}; m $C; lb C SE
set D {2 3}; m $D; lb D SW
polygon $A $B $C $D
set area [geom.area $A $B $C $D]
pt [geom.intersect "$A $C" "$B $D"]
label "[nf $area 2] m²" N
dot $c; lb c
pen 0.35; dimline 5 [Y $A] 5 [Y $D] %.2f
dimline 2 [Y $A] 2 [Y $c]
dimline [X $A] 0.4 [X $B] 0.4 %.2f
dimline [X $C] 3.3 [X $D] 3.3 %.2f
```



# 3.7.17 geom.extend

Returns an extended line defined by two points.

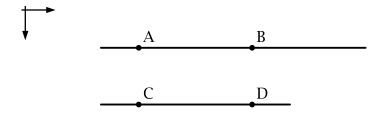
#### **SYNOPSIS**

geom.extend x1 y1 x2 y2 dLA dLB geom.extend pos1 pos2 dLA dLB geom.extend x1 y1 x2 y2 dL geom.extend pos1 pos2 dL

x1 y1	first point of existing line
x2 y2	second point of existing line
pos1	first point of existing line
pos2	second point of existing line
$dLA\ dLB$	extension values
dL	extension value at both sides

## **EXAMPLE**

```
set A {30 10}; dot $A; label A
set B {60 10}; dot $B; label B
line [geom.extend $A $B 10 30]
set C {30 25}; dot $C; label C
set D {60 25}; dot $D; label D
line [geom.extend $C $D 10]
```



# 3.7.18 geom.parallel

Returns a parallel line defined by two points.

## **SYNOPSIS**

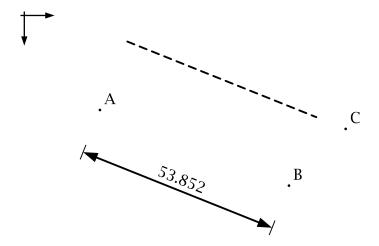
geom.parallel x1 y1 x2 y2 distance geom.parallel pos1 pos2 distance geom.parallel x1 y1 x2 y2 geom.parallel pos1 pos2

x1 y1	first point of existing line
x2 y2	second point of existing line
pos1	first point of existing line
pos2	second point of existing line

distance Distance. If omitted new parallel line goes through the current cursor position.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
set A {20 25}; point $A; label A
set B {70 45}; point $B; label B
set C {85 30}; point $C; label C
# Draw a dimension line at 12mm distance to AB
dimline [geom.parallel $A $B [mm 12]]
pen dashed
# Draw a parallel line through C (current cursor position)
moveto $C
line [geom.parallel $A $B]
```



# 3.7.19 geom.topolygon

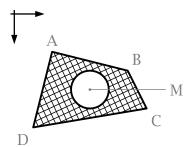
Returns a closed polygon (approximation) for shapes.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.topolygon rectangle (rect) ...
geom.topolygon box ...
geom.topolygon rectmid ...
geom.topolygon rod ...
geom.topolygon circle ...
geom.topolygon ellipse ...
```

```
set A {10 10}
set B {30 15}
set C {35 25}
set D { 5 30}
set M {20 20}
set opening [geom.topolygon circle $M 5]
# hatch
pen 0.2
hatch 65 1.5
hatchpolygon $A $B $C $D $A $opening
hatch [+ 65 90] 1.5
```

```
hatchpolygon $A $B $C $D $A $opening
# outline
pen
polygon $A $B $C $D
polygon $opening
```



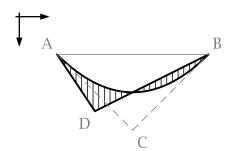
# 3.7.20 geom.topolyline

Returns a polyline (approximation) for curves. The subcommand *reverse* changes the order of a list, starting by the last point.

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.topolygon quadcurve (parabola) ...
geom.topolygon cubiccurve ...
geom.topolygon arc ...
geom.topolygon arc2 ...
geom.topolygon reverse ...
```

```
offset 10 10
set A { 0 0}
set B {40 0}
set C {20 20}
set D {10 15}
# outline
quadcurve $A $C $B
line $A $D $B
# hatch
pen 0.2
hatch 90 1.5
hatchpolygon [geom.topolyline quadcurve $A $C $B] $D
```



## 3.7.21 geom.azimuth (geom.azi)

Computes the azimuth (in degrees) from point A to point B.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.azimuth x1 y1 x2 y2
geom.azimuth posA posB
geom.azimuth x2 y2
geom.azimuth posB
```

*x1 y1* First point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.

x2 y2 second point

*posA* First point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.

posB second point

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.azimuth 10 10 30 30]; # Writes 45.0
```

# 3.7.22 geom.length (geom.abs)

Computes the length of a vector. Thus returns the hypotenuse of two catheti in a right-angled triangle.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.length xA yA xB yB
geom.length posA posB
geom.length dx dy
geom.length v
```

```
xA \ yA \ xB \ yB vector \overline{AB}

posA \ posB vector \overline{AB}

dx \ dy vector

v vector
```

# **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.length 30 40]; # Writes 50.0
```

## 3.7.23 geom.area

Computes the area within a polygon. The command always returns a positive value.

### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.area xA yA xB yB xC yC ... geom.area posA posB posC ...
```

```
    xA yA first point of polygon
    xB yB second point of polygon
    xC yC third point of polygon
    posA first point of polygon
    posB second point of polygon
    posC third point of polygon
```

# EXAMPLE see above

# 3.7.24 geom.angle

## analogy: geom.anglerad

Computes the angle (in degrees) between three points. A is the centre point. If the argument is a vector its direction (azimuth) is computed.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.angle xA yA xP yP xQ yQ
geom.angle posA posP posQ
geom.angle xP yP xQ yQ
geom.angle posP posQ
geom.angle vector
```

```
xA yA Centre point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.
```

xP yP first distant point xQ yQ second distant point

*posA* Centre point. If omitted the current cursor position is assumed.

posP first distant pointposQ second distant point

vector vector

# 3.7.25 geom.crossproduct

Computes the cross product of two vectors. The command returns the scalar z component of the resulting vector.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.crossproduct dx1 dy1 dx2 dy2 geom.crossproduct v1 v2
```

```
dx1 dy1 first vector dx2 dy2 second vector v1 first vector v2 second vector
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.crossproduct 3 0.5 2 2]; # Writes 5.0
```

## 3.7.26 geom.dotproduct

Computes the (scalar) dot product of two vectors.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.dotproduct dx1 dy1 dx2 dy2 geom.dotproduct v1 v2
```

```
dx1 dy1 first vector dx2 dy2 second vector v1 first vector v2 second vector
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
puts [geom.dotproduct 3 0.5 2 2]; # Writes 7.0
```

## 3.7.27 geom.distance (geom.dist)

Computes the distance of a line (or point) to the current position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
geom.distance x1 y1 x2 y2
geom.distance pos1 pos2
geom.distance x1 y1
geom.distance pos1
```

```
x1 y1 first point of existing line or just point
```

x2 y2 second point of existing line

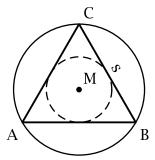
pos1 first point of existing line or just point

pos2 second point of existing line

```
set s 30
set A {50 30}
set B [++ $A "$s 0"]
set C [++ $A [p $s -60]]
m $A; label A SW
m $B; label B SE
m $C; label C
label s $B $C
polygon $A $B $C; # cursor now is at $A
```

```
moverel [expr $s /2] [expr -sqrt(3)*$s /6]
dot; label M
pen 0.35
circle [geom.distance $A]
pen dashed
circle [geom.distance $A $B]
```





## 3.8 Statics commands

The statics commands stat.\* are utility commands, that do calculations with forces "x y Fx Fy". The commands do not draw.

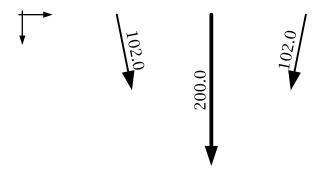
# 3.8.1 stat.add (+++)

Computes the force vector sum and a valid application point.

```
SYNOPSIS stat.add F1 F2 ... +++ F1 F2 ...
```

F1 first forceF2 second force

```
set F1 {5.0 0.0 20 100}
set F2 {15.0 0.0 -20 100}
force $F1
force $F2
pen 1.0
set R [stat.add $F1 $F2]
force $R
puts $R;  # Writes 10.0 0.0 0.0 200.0
```



# 3.8.2 stat.subtract (---)

Computes the force vector subtraction and a valid application point.

```
SYNOPSIS
```

```
stat.subtract F1 F2 ... --- F1 F2 ...
```

F1 first force (sum)

F2 second force (to be subtracted from sum)

# **EXAMPLE**

```
set F1 { 5.0 0.0     0 100}
set F2 {15.0 0.0     -20 100}
set R [stat.add $F1 $F2]
puts [stat.subtract $R $F2]; # Writes 5.0 0.0 0.0 100.0
```

# 3.8.3 stat.multiply (\*\*\*)

Computes a force scaled by multiplication. The application point does not change.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
*** factor force

factor scaling factor
force force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"
```

```
puts [*** 1.5 {5.00 0.00 20 30}]; # Writes 5.0 0.0 30.0 45.0
```

#### 3.8.4 stat.move

Returns an equivalent force to the input force. The <u>application</u> point is moved along the action line of the force, until it intersects the extension of a line  $\overline{AB}$ .

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
stat.move x0 y0 Fx Fy xA yA xB yB
stat.move F posA posB
```

```
    x0 y0 application point of input force
    Fx Fy components of input force
    xA yA first point of line AB
    xB yB second point of line AB
    input force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"
    posA first point of line AB
    posB second point of line AB
```

# EXAMPLE

see below

#### 3.8.5 stat.move2

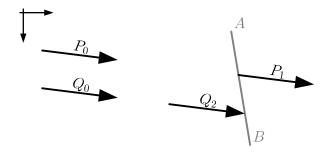
Returns an equivalent force to the input force. The application point is moved along the action line of the force, until the arrow head touches the extension of a line  $\overline{AB}$ .

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
stat.move2 x0 y0 Fx Fy xA yA xB yB
stat.move2 F posA posB
```

```
    x0 y0 application point of input force
    Fx Fy components of input force
    xA yA first point of line AB
    xB yB second point of line AB
    F input force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"
    posA first point of line AB
    posB second point of line AB
```

```
unitlength 10; forceunitlength 0.5
pen gray
set A {5.5 0.5}; m $A; tlb A
set B {6.0 3.5}; m $B; tlb B
l $A $B
pen
set P0 {0.5 1.0 40 5}; texforce $P0 P_0
set Q0 {0.5 2.0 40 5}; texforce $Q0 Q_0
texforce [stat.move $P0 $A $B] P_1
texforce [stat.move2 $Q0 $A $B] Q_2
```



#### 3.8.6 stat.actionline

Returns two points on the action line of a force.

# **SYNOPSIS**

stat.actionline x0 y0 Fx Fy fA fB stat.actionline F fA fB stat.actionline x0 y0 Fx Fy f stat.actionline F f stat.actionline x0 y0 Fx Fy stat.actionline F

x0 y0 application point of input force
Fx Fy components of input force
F input force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"

fA fB extension factors (left, right), analogue to geom.online

*f* extension factor

# EXAMPLE

see below

# 3.8.7 **stat.tip**

Returns the tip position of the force arrow.

# **SYNOPSIS**

stat.tip x0 y0 Fx Fy stat.tip F

 $x0 \ y0$  application point of input force  $Fx \ Fy$  components of input force  $Fx \ Fy$  input force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"

#### 3.8.8 stat.abs

Computes the absolute value of a force:  $\sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2}$ .

```
SYNOPSIS
stat.abs x0 y0 Fx Fy
stat.abs F

Fx Fy force components
x0 y0 Application point. Does not influence the result.
F force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"

EXAMPLE
```

# 3.8.9 stat.distance (stat.dist)

Computes the distance of a force to the current position.

```
stat.distance x0 y0 Fx Fy
stat.distance F

x0 y0 application point of force
Fx Fy components of force
F force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"
```

# EXAMPLE see below

see below

**SYNOPSIS** 

# 3.8.10 stat.moment

Computes the moment of a force relative to the current position. If several forces are given, the sum of the moments is calculated.

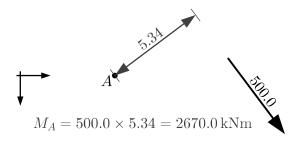
```
stat.moment x0 y0 Fx Fy
stat.moment F ...

x0 y0 application point of force
Fx Fy components of force
F force "x0 y0 Fx Fy"
```

```
unitlength [/ 1. 200.] m
forceunitlength [/ 5. 100.]
set A { 5.0 0}
set F {11.0 -0.90 300 400}
puts [stat.abs $F];  # Writes 500.0
```

```
moveto $A
set r [stat.distance $F]; puts $r; # Writes 5.34
set M [stat.moment $F]; puts $M; # Writes 2670.0

# Draw the point A, the force F and distance A-F
dot $A; tlb A SW
texforce $F
pen 0.35 darkgray
m $A; texdimlinerel [geom.rotate [** $r [geom.norm [FXY $F]]] -90]
# Write the moment M_A of the force F
moveto 0.5 3.0
texlabel "M_A = [stat.abs $F] \\times $r = $M \\,\\text{kNm}\"
```



## 3.8.11 stat.mequi

Scales an input force until moment equilibrium is fulfilled. Moment equilibrium is done around the current cursor position.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

stat.mequi xB yB FxB FyB x0 y0 Fx Fy stat.mequi FB F stat.mequi FB M

*xB yB* position of sliding bearing

FxB FyB force components indicating direction of support (absolute value has no influence)

FB support force, absolute value has no influence

*F* force "x0 y0 Fx Fy" to be equilibrated

*M* moment to be equilibrated

EXAMPLE see below

## 3.8.12 stat.equi

Returns the force (components and application point) that is required to complete equilibrium. Equivalent to [\*\*\*-1 [+++ \$F1 \$F2]].

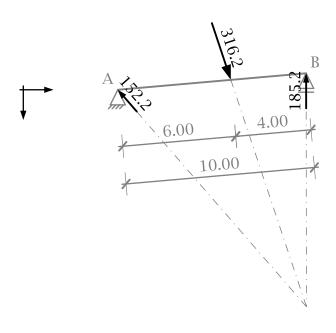
## **SYNOPSIS**

stat.equi F1 F2 ...

F1 first force

F2 second force

```
unitlength [/ 1. 200.] m
forceunitlength [/ 5. 100.]
set A {5 0}
set B "[++ $A [geom.rotate {10 0} -5]]"
set C [geom.online $A $B 0.6]
set F "$C 100 300"
force2 $F
# Draw beam, points, bearings (not shown), dimension lines
pen gray; moveto $A; label A NW
lineto $B; label B; point $C
dimline ticks
dimline [geom.parallel $A $C [mm 15]] %.2f
dimlinerel [-- "$B" "$C"] %.2f
dimline [geom.parallel $A $B [mm 25]] %.2f
# graphical statics
pen gray dashdotted 0.2
line [stat.actionline $F 1 4]
line $B [here]
lineto $A
# Calculate reaction forces
pen solid red 0.5
moveto $A; # moment equilibrium at pos. A in order to get force FB
set fB "$B 0 1"
set FB [stat.mequi $fB $F]
force2 $FB
set FA [stat.equi $F $FB]; # equilibrium to get force FA
set FA [stat.move $FA $A $B]
force2 $FA
```



# 3.8.13 stat.fequi

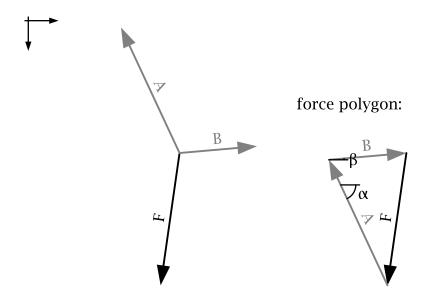
Equilibrates a known force F by two other forces A and B, of which the azimuths are known. The command returns the force A. Equilibrium is defined F + A + B = 0. Then B is [stat.equi \$F \$A].

#### **SYNOPSIS**

stat.fequi  $F \alpha \beta$ 

- F1 known force
- $\alpha$  azimuth (in degrees) of searched force A
- $\beta$  azimuth (in degrees) of force B

```
forceunitlength [/ 1. 10.]
set F {40 35 -50 350}
force $F F
set A [stat.fequi $F 65 -5]
set B [stat.equi $F $A]
pen gray
force $A A
force $B B
pen black; # Draw the force polygon
m 100 25; lb {force polygon:} NW
moveto 100 35
force [FXY $F] F
pen gray
force [FXY $A] A
force [FXY $B] B
assert "[X [here]] == 100 && [Y [here]] == 35" "Force polygon not closed"
```



# 3.9 Programming commands

For a programming introduction check the hecl tutorial http://hecl.org/docs/tutorial.html.

For a complete reference, check the hecl command reference http://hecl.org/docs/commands.html.

# 3.9.1 Variables: set, \$

set - Set a variable.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

set varname [value]

## Description

The set command sets the *value* of a variable *varname* to value *value*. If *value* is not provided, returns the value of *varname*.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
set foo "bar"
set bee bop
puts "foo is $foo and bee is $bee"
```

Produces: foo is bar and bee is bop

The variable *\$argv* contains the list of eventual command line arguments, *\$argc* the number of arguments passed to the drawing script.

EXAMPLE drawj2d mydrawing.hcl Arg1 Arg2 Arg3

```
puts "The first of $argc arguments is: [lindex $argv 0]"
```

Produces: The first of 3 arguments is: Arg1

### 3.9.2 External script: source

The source command evaluates the Hecl script located in file *filename*. Calling the source command from within a procedure prevents unintended overwriting of global variables.

## **SYNOPSIS**

source filename.hcl

# **EXAMPLE**

```
# Variable foo is defined as "Hello world" in foo.hcl
source foo.hcl
puts $foo
```

Produces: Hello world

### 3.9.3 Math commands

Floating point math commands. See also **expr**. Angles are expected in radians (this differs from the expr command!).

abs acos asin asin atan atan2 cbrt ceil cos cosh cosh exp expm1 floor hypot log log10 log1p pow random round signum sin sinh sqrt tan tanh tanh toDegrees toRadians

#### **SYNOPSIS**

command number [number]

#### 3.9.4 Conditions: if

if — Conditionally execute code.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
if test code [elseif | test | code ...] [else | code ]
```

## Description

The if command executes Hecl code conditionally. In its most basic form, it executes a test. If the results are not 0, then it executes code. If not, no further actions take place. if may take any number of elseif clauses, which have their own test and code. Finally, if none of the conditions has matched, it is also possible to supply an else clause that will be executed if the results of the if and elseif tests were all false.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
if { > 0 1 } {
    puts "true"
} else {
    puts "false"
}
```

Produces: false

## **EXAMPLE**

```
set numberOne 7; set numberTwo 8
if {expr $numberOne > 5 || $numberTwo > 10} {
    puts {numberOne > 5 OR numberTwo > 10}
}
```

## 3.9.5 Loops: for, foreach, while

for - For loop.

# **SYNOPSIS**

for initialization test step body

#### Description

The **for** command is like in many other languages like C and Java. As arguments, it takes an *initialization* option, which is often used to set a variable to some initial value, a *test* to determine whether to continue

running, a *step* script option which is run at each iteration of the body (to increment a variable, for example), and the body itself.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set out {}
for {set i 0} {< $i 10} {incr $i} {
    append $out $i
}
puts $out</pre>
```

Produces: 0123456789

foreach — Iterate over elements in a list.

## **SYNOPSIS**

**foreach** varname list body **foreach** varlist list body

# Description

The **foreach** command iterates over a list. For each element of the *list*, *varname* is set to a new element of the *list*, and then *body* is run.

## **EXAMPLE**

```
set lst {a b c d e}
set res {}
foreach el $lst {
    append $res $el
}
puts $res
```

Produces: abcde

while – While loop.

## **SYNOPSIS**

while condition body

# Description

The **while** command continues to evaluate *body* while *condition* is true.

# **EXAMPLE**

```
set i 0
while { < $i 3 } {
    puts "i is $i"
    incr $i
}</pre>
```

Produces: i is 0| i is 1| i is 2

#### 3.9.6 Procedures: proc, rename

The **proc** command creates new procedures, which are virtually indistinguishable from built-in Hecl commands. By default, Hecl variables are always local. Global variables are not visible from within procedures. The **global** command makes global variable *varname* visible within a procedure.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
proc [name] arglist body
global varname [varname...]
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set debug false
proc ignore {command} {
        global debug
        foreach cmd $command {
            proc $cmd {args} {global debug; if {$debug} {puts "command ignored"
                }}
        if {$debug} {puts "Ignore command: $cmd"}
      }
}
# ignore list
ignore {model geomTransf uniaxialMaterial}
ignore {eigen timeSeries pattern load loadConst rayleigh}
ignore {constraints numberer system test}
ignore {algorithm integrator analysis analyze}
ignore {open close recorder wipeAnalysis wipe}
```

rename - Rename a command

rename cmdname newcmdname

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
rename expr exprhecl
proc expr {args} {return $args}
```

#### 3.9.7 Hash tables

hash — Create and manipulate hash tables.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

hash list hget hash key hset hash key value hcontains hash key hclear hash

hremove hash key

D 1 11

hkeys hash

## Description

The **hash** command takes an even-numbered list and creates a hash table from it, using the even elements as keys, and odd elements as values. A new hash table is returned. The **hget** and **hset** 

commands operate on hash tables. Both take a hash table as their first argument. hget also takes a key, and returns the corresponding value, or an error if no key by that name exists. To determine whether a given key exists, use the **hcontains** command, which returns true or false depending on whether the key exists in the hash table.

The **hkeys** command returns the keys of the hash table, as a list.

The **hclear** command clears an entire hash table, whereas **hremove** removes the value associated with a given key.

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set foo [hash {a b c d}]
hset $foo a 42
puts [hget $foo a]
```

Produces: 42

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
set nd [hash {}]; # Hash list nd saves node coordinates.
proc node {number x y} {
    global nd
    set Y [* -1 $y]; # Opensees y coordinate points upwards, drawj2d downwards.
    hset $nd $number "$x $Y"
    circle $x $Y [mm 0.4]
    if {>= $x 0} {label $number NE} else {label $number NW}
}
```

## 3.9.8 Read data from file: open

The open command gives read access to external files.

```
SYNOPSIS
set f [open filename.txt]
$f hasnext
set s [$f readIn]
set s [$f read bytes]
set s [$f read]
$f close
```

**EXAMPLE** 

```
data.csv
```

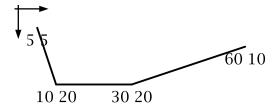
```
5,5
10,20
30,20
60,10
```

```
moveto 10 5
set f [open data.csv]
while {$f hasnext} {
    text [$f readln]
```

}

```
5,5
10,20
30,20
60,10
```

```
# Read the data of a csv file into a list
proc readcsv {file} {
        set f [open $file]
        set s [$f read]
        $f close
        set s [strtrim $s]
        set s [strreplace {, " "} $s]
        return [split $s "\n"]
}
set DATA [readcsv data.csv]
set i 0
foreach DP $DATA {
        incr $i
        if {< $i 2} {moveto $DP} else {lineto $DP}</pre>
        label $DP S
}
```



## 3.10 Complete command list

To get the list of all available commands type: puts [sort [intro commands]]

!= % \* \*\* \*\*\* + ++ +++ - -- --- / // 1+ 1- < <= = > >= FX FXY FY X XY Y abs acos after alias and append arc arc2 arrow arrowrel arrows arrowsrel arrows to arrow asin assert atan atan2 bgerror block block.flip block.rotate block.scale box break catch cbrt ceil circle classof clock continue copy cos cosh cubiccurve dimangle dimline dimlinerel dimlineto dot double doubleline dxf ellipse endblock eq eval exit exp expm1 expr exprinput false file.readable fillbox fillcircle fillellipse fillpolygon fillrect fillrectangle fillrectmid fillrod fillsector fillsegment filter float floor font for force force2 forceunitlength foreach format fu geom.abs geom.add geom.angle geom.anglerad geom.area geom.azi geom.azimuth geom.centroid geom.crossproduct geom.dist geom.distance geom.divide geom.dotproduct geom.extend geom.half geom.intersect geom.intersectcircleline geom.intersectcircles geom.intersectlinepath geom.length geom.multiply geom.norm geom.online geom.parallel geom.polar geom.rotate geom.subtract geom.topolygon geom.topolyline geom.tox geom.toy geom.vector global hasclass hash hatch hatchbox hatchcircle hatchellipse hatchpolygon hatchrect hatchrectangle hatchrectmid hatchrod hatchsector hatchsegment hclear hcontains here herepolar hget hkeys hremove hset hypot if image incr int intro join kN l label lappend lb lindex line linemid linepolar linerel lineto linetox linetoy linsert list llen llength lm log log10 log1p long lp lr lrange lset lx ly m max min mm movepolar moverel moveto movetox movetoy mp mr mx my ne nf not offset opacity open or p parabola pen point polygon pow proc pt puts quadcurve r random rect rectangle rectmid rename return rod round rp runtime.freememory runtime.totalmemory search sector segment set signum sin sinh sort source split sqrt stat.abs stat.actionline stat.add stat.dist stat.distance stat.equi stat.fequi stat.mequi stat.moment stat.move stat.move2 stat.multiply stat.subtract stat.tip strbytelen strcmp strfind strindex strlast strlen strlower strrange strrep strreplace strtrim strtriml strtrimr strupper system.gc system.getproperty system.hasproperty tan tanh texdimangle texdimline texdimlinerel texdimlineto texforce texforce2 texlabel text this interp throw time tlb tnotify toDegrees toRadians today true twait tx ty unitlength unitsize unset upeval while 1/2

# 4 Additional functionality

## 4.1 Support for spread sheet csv data and Fachwerk background drawings bgd

Use the Drawj2d command line parameter --frontend bgd or -F bgd.

## csv (spread sheet)

A list of point coordinates can be created in a spread sheet application. The list has to be saved as comma separated file with the ending *csv*. Drawj2d displays the points. The scale is automatically chosen (1:5, 1:10, 1:20, 1:50, ...).

```
drawj2d -T pdf -F bgd --width 150 --height 100 points.csv
```

## bgd (text file)

The program Fachwerk for structural engineers (fachwerk.sourceforge.net) supports a simple text based drawing format called bgd for background drawings. These can be exported by Drawj2d to pdf, svg or other vector formats.

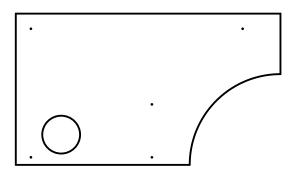
```
drawj2d -T pdf -F bgd --width 150 --height 80 doku.bgd
```

Bgd drawings are created using a text editor, similar to the Drawj2d native hcl format. The file has to be saved with the suffix bgd. Figure 2 shows an example of such a text file and the drawing as it would be displayed by Fachwerk.

The numbers in a row can be separated by space, tabulator or comma. The order of the commands (Point, Line, Circle, Arc) does not matter. For example the file may start with commands for lines, continue with points and then list a line command again. Only the first character of a command is required (Circle: C or K for Kreis (German), Arc: A or B for Bogen). Rows starting with # or // or with the word rem indicate comments. Fachwerk accepts coordinates in both x,z and x,y,z formats. In Fachwerk2D mode and Drawj2D the y-value is not used.

The bgd extension is an example for programmers how to access the Drawj2d java API.

```
Points
0.2
        0.2
                         \leftarrow x, z - coordinates 1. point
0.2
        1.9
                         \leftarrow x, z - coordinates 2. point
1.8
        1.2
1.8
        1.9
3.0
        0.2
Line
3.5
         0
                          ← start
3.5
        0.8
                          \leftarrow end
Line
2.3
         2.0
                          \leftarrow start
        2.0
0
        0
        0
3.5
                          \leftarrow end
Circle
0.6
         1.6
                          \leftarrow centre
0.25
                          ← radius
Arc
3.5
                          \leftarrow centre
        2.0
1.2, 90, 180
                          \leftarrow \text{radius, start angle, end angle (anti-clockwise)}
```



1:50.0

Figure 2: Input text file .bgd and resulting drawing

## 4.2 Support for Yacas plot data

The computer algebra system Yacas (yacas.org) uses Gnuplot for plotting. If gnuplot is not available, yacas can prepare plot data using the Plot2D option *output=java*. Drawj2d can read the plot data and draw rudimentary plots.

Use the Drawj2d command line parameter --frontend ypd or -F ypd.

Start Yacas (yacas-gui, yacas, java -jar yacas.jar or alternatively mavscript-yacas) and type:

```
f(x) := x^2-x-2 \leftarrow The function to plot g(x) := x^2 \leftarrow A second function to plot
```

Write a yacas plot data (ypd) file.

```
ToFile("plot-f.ypd") Plot2D(f(x),x=-5:5,output=java)
```

Multiple functions can be written in one plot data file:

```
ToFile("plot-fg.ypd") Plot2D(\{f(x),g(x)\},x=-5:5,output=java\}
```

Call Drawj2d directly out of Yacas to produce a plot (see Figure 3): SystemCall("drawj2d -F ypd -W150 -H100 plot-f.ypd")

Drawj2d can also be called from the command line.

```
drawj2d -T pdf -F ypd --width 150 --height 100 plot-fg.ypd
```

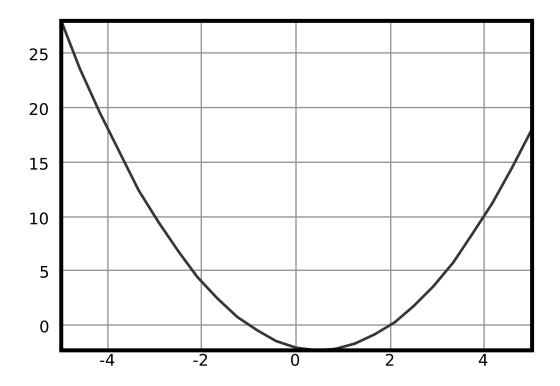


Figure 3: Draw yacas plot data: f(x)

# 5 Drawj2d Input Examples

#### 5.1 Drawings

#### Anchor plate

Input of the drawing Figure 1.

drawing.hcl

```
#! drawj2d -T pdf -W 150 -H 120 -c drawing.hcl
# Nullpunkt ist Plattenmittelpunkt
# SI-Einheiten: mm, kN
unitlength 0.2 mm;  # Das heisst Massstab 1:5, Einheit Millimeter
# Eingaben
set b 350; # Plattenbreite
set h 350; # Plattenhöhe
set t 20; # Plattenstärke
set d
        12; # zu zeichnender Dübeldurchmesser im Durchgangsloch
set df 20; # Durchgangsloch in Ankerplatte
set c 40; # nomineller Randabstand Dübel
# Profil zeichnen
box -50 -50 50 50
box -45 -45 45 45
assert "$b > 4*$c" {Eingabekontrolle Plattenbreite}
assert "$h > 4*$c" {Eingabekontrolle Plattenbreite}
# Eingabekontrollen
assert "$t >= 8"
                         {Eingabekontrolle Plattenstärke}
assert "$d > 5"
                        {Eingabekontrolle Dübeldurchmesser} {Eingabekontrolle Durchgangsloch}
assert "$df > 5"
# Zeichnen der Achsen
set ueberstand 10; # Achsüberstand
pen gray dashdotted 0.35
m 0 0
linemid [expr $b + 2 * $ueberstand] 0
linemid [expr $h + 2 * $ueberstand] 90
# Zeichnen der Ankerplatte
set TL [// "-$b -$h" 2]; set TR [// "$b -$h" 2]
set BL [// "-$b $h" 2]; set BR [// "$b $h" 2]
pen black solid 0.7;
box $TL $BR
# Zeichnen des Dübels

        set
        DbTL [++ $TL "$c $c"];
        set
        DbTR [++ $TR "-$c $c"]

        set
        DbBR [-- $BR "$c $c"]

pen gray 0.5;
fillcircle $DbTL [/ $d 2.]; fillcircle $DbTR [/ $d 2.] fillcircle $DbBL [/ $d 2.];
```

```
pen 0.35 black
# Vermassung
dimline ticks
set xdim [mm 8]
# Ankerplatte
pen 0.35
dimline [geom.parallel $BL $BR $xdim]
dimline [geom.parallel $TL $BL $xdim]
p 150 60; lr [mm 40 0]; label "t = $t mm" NW
# Dübel
pen gray
m $TR; mr $xdim 0
dimlinerel 0 $c
dimlineto [ty $DbBR]
dimlineto [ty $BR]
m $TL; mr 0 -$xdim
dimlineto [tx $DbTL]
dimlineto [tx $DbTR]
dimlineto [tx $TR]
```

## **Pythagoras**

Pythagoras  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  (Figure 4).

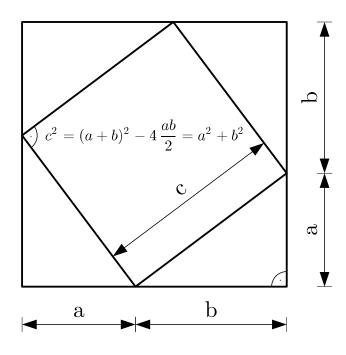


Figure 4: Pythagoras

pythagoras.hcl

```
# original example from asymptote gallery
offset 80 75
unitlength 10
set a 3
set b 4
# vertices
set ML "-[+ $a $b] -$b" ; # middle left
set BM "-$b 0" ; # bottom middle set BL "-[+ $a $b] 0" ; # bottom left
# draw squares
m 0 0; rectangle -[+ $a $b] -[+ $a $b];
m $BM; lr $b -$a; lr -$a -$b; lr -$b $a; l $BM;
# draw dimension lines
pen black 0.2
font tex 6; # Sets font to computer modern, 6mm
set d [mm 10]
m [++ $BL "0 $d"]
dimlinerel $a 0 a
dimlinerel $b 0 b
dimline [geom.parallel "0 -$a" $BM $d] c
m "$d 0"
dimlinerel 0 -$a a
dimlinerel 0 -$b b
# draw perpendicular sign
pen black
dimangle $ML [++ $ML "$b -$a"] $BM
m "0 0"; dimangle 180 270
# write equation
m $ML; mr [mm 4 4]; font
texlabel {\displaystyle c^2 = (a+b)^2 - 4 frac{a b}{2} = a^2 + b^2}
```

## 5.2 Statics

Drawj2d has built in support for basic statics, see 3.8. It is useful for geotechnical tasks, e.g. earth pressure and retaining walls. The examples below are about cable equilibrium.

#### Cable equilibrium

For a given geometry the cable forces are calculated (Figure 5).

```
cable.hcl

#! drawj2d -W 150 -H 80 -X 20 -Y 20 cable.hcl

unitlength [/ 1. 50.] m

forceunitlength 2
```

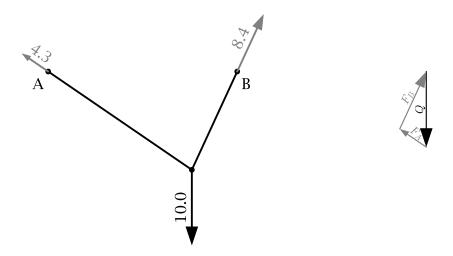


Figure 5: Cable equilibrium

```
# cable
set A {0 0}; dot $A; lb A SW
set B {2.5 0}; dot $B; lb B SE
set C {1.9 1.3}; dot $C
line $A $C $B
# weight (10 kN)
set Q "$C 0 10"
force $Q
# calculate reaction forces
pen gray
# moment equilibrium at pos. A in order to get force FB
moveto $A
set fB "$B [geom.vector $C $B]"
set FB [stat.mequi $fB $Q]
force $FB
# equilibrium to get force FA
set FA [stat.equi $Q $FB]
set FA [stat.move $FA $A $B]; # move along action line
force $FA
# force polygon
moveto 5 0
set posPolygon [here]
pen black 0.3; font 3
texforce [FXY $Q] Q
pen gray
texforce [FXY $FA] F_A
texforce [FXY $FB] F_B
# verify the force polygon is closed
assert "[geom.distance $posPolygon] ~= 0" {equilibrium check}
```

#### Cable shape

In this example the cable shape is calculated for multiple external forces (Figure 6). The bearing points and the initial cable angle (at point A) are given.

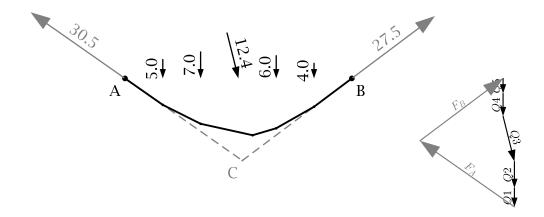


Figure 6: Cable shape

## cable2.hcl

```
#! drawj2d -W 150 -H 60 -X 30 -Y 20 cable2.hcl
unitlength [/ 1. 50.] m
forceunitlength 1
# bearings
set A {0 0}; dot $A; lb A SW
set B {3.0 0}; dot $B; lb B SE
# cable angle at A
set alpha 35
# forces acting on the cable
pen 0.35
set Q1 "0.5 0 0 5"; force2 $Q1
set Q2 "1.0 0 0 7"; force2 $Q2
set Q3 "1.5 0 3 12"; force2 $Q3
set Q4 "2.0 0 0 6"; force2 $Q4
set Q5 "2.5 0 0 4"; force2 $Q5
# resultant
set R [stat.add $Q1 $Q2 $Q3 $Q4 $Q5]
set C [XY [stat.move $R $A [++ $A [geom.polar $alpha]]]]
pen dashed gray
point $C; lb C SW
line $A $C $B
# global moment equilibrium at pos. B in order to get force FA
pen solid gray
moveto $B
set fA "$A [geom.polar $alpha]"
set FA [stat.mequi $fA $R]
force $FA
```

```
# equilibrium to get force FB
set FB [stat.equi $R $FA]
set FB [stat.move $FB $A $B]; # move along action line
# cable geometry
pen
set F1 [stat.equi $FA $Q1]
set F2 [--- $F1 $Q2]
set F3 [--- $F2 $Q3]
set F4 [--- $F3 $Q4]
set F5 [--- $F4 $Q5]
set C1 [XY [stat.move $Q1 [XY $FA] [stat.tip $FA]]]; point $C1
set C2 [XY [stat.move $Q2 [XY $F1] [stat.tip $F1]]]; point $C2
set C3 [XY [stat.move $Q3 [XY $F2] [stat.tip $F2]]]; point $C3
set C4 [XY [stat.move $Q4 [XY $F3] [stat.tip $F3]]]; point $C4
set C5 [XY [stat.move $Q5 [XY $F4] [stat.tip $F4]]]; point $C5
line $A $C1 $C2 $C3 $C4 $C5 $B
moveto $A; # verify the forces F5 and FB are equal
assert "[stat.moment $F5] ~= [stat.moment $FB]" {moment check F5 = FB}
assert "[stat.abs $F5] ~= [stat.abs $FB]" {check F5 = FB}
# force polygon
moveto 5 0; set posPolygon [here]
pen black 0.3; font 3
texforce [FXY $Q5] Q5
texforce [FXY $Q4] Q4
texforce [FXY $Q3] Q3
texforce [FXY $Q2] Q2
texforce [FXY $Q1] Q1
pen gray
texforce [FXY $FA] F_A
texforce [FXY $FB] F_B
# verify the force polygon is closed
assert "[geom.distance $posPolygon] ~= 0" {equilibrium check}
```