

The `pict2e` package*

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1 Introduction

Here's a quote from the obsolete original official version of the `pict2e` package (1994–2003):

The package `pict2e` that is mentioned in the 2nd edition of “L^AT_EX: A Document Preparation System” has not yet been produced. It is unlikely that the L^AT_EX3 Project Team will ever produce this package thus we would be very happy if someone else creates it.

:-) Finally, someone has produced a working implementation of the `pict2e` package.

This package redefines some of the drawing commands of the L^AT_EX `picture` environment. Like the `graphics` and `color` packages, it uses driver files.

Currently there are only back-ends for PostScript and PDF. (Other output formats may be added in the future.)

Note/Warning:

- Documentation has been written somewhat “hastily” and may be inaccurate.
- The status of this package is currently somewhere between “beta” and “release” ... Users and package programmers should *not* rely on *any* feature sported by the internal commands. (Especially, the control sequence names may change without notice in future versions of this package.)

2 Usage

To use the `pict2e` package, you put a `\usepackage[optionlist]{pict2e}` instruction in the preamble of your document. Likewise, package writers just say `\RequirePackage[optionlist]{pict2e}` in an appropriate place in their package. (Nothing unusual here.)

Like the `graphics` and `color` packages, the `pict2e` package supports a configuration file: see Section 2.2.

2.1 Package options

2.1.1 Driver options

driver	notes	driver	notes
<code>dvips</code>	x	<code>dvipsone</code>	x?
<code>xdvi</code>	x	<code>dviwindo</code>	x?
<code>pdftex</code>	x	<code>dvipdf</code>	x?
<code>vtex</code>	x	<code>textures</code>	x?
<code>dvipdfm</code>	x	<code>pctexps</code>	x?
<code>oztex</code>	(x)	<code>pctex32</code>	x?

x = supported; (x) = supported but untested;

x? = not yet implemented

The driver options are (mostly) implemented by means of definition files (`p2e-*.def`). For details, cf. file `p2e-drivers.dtx`.

You should specify the same driver for `pict2e` you use with the `graphics/x` and `color` packages.

2.1.2 Other options

option	meaning
ltxarrows	draw L ^A T _E X style vectors (default)
pstarrows	draw PSTricks style vectors

2.1.3 Debugging options

option	meaning
original	Suppresses the new definitions (for testing purposes only).
debug	Suppresses the compressing of pdfT _E X output; marks the pict2e generated code in the output files (for testing purposes only).
hide	Suppresses all graphics output.

2.2 Configuration file

Similar to the `graphics` and `color` packages, in most cases it is not necessary to give a driver option explicitly, if a suitable configuration file `pict2e.cfg` is present on your system (cf. the example file `pict2e-example.cfg`).

2.3 Details: Changes to user-level commands

For details, look up “`pict2e` package” in the index of the L^AT_EX manual [1].

A collection of quotes from the L^AT_EX manual [1].

From [1, p. 118]:

However, the `pict2e` package uses device-driver support to provide enhanced versions of these commands that remove some of their restrictions. The enhanced commands can draw straight lines and arrows of any slope, circles of any size, and lines (straight and curved) of any thickness.

From [1, p. 179]:

`pict2e` Defines enhanced versions of the `picture` environment commands that remove restrictions on the line slope, circle radius, and line thickness.

From [1, pp. 221–223]:

`\qbezier`
(With the `pict2e` package, there is no limit to the number of points plotted.)

`\line` and `\vector` Slopes $\|x\|, \|y\| \leq 6$ or 4, with no common divisor except ± 1 :
(These restrictions are eliminated by the `pict2e` package.)

`\line` and `\vector` Smallest extent that can be drawn:
(This does not apply when the `pict2e` package is loaded.)

`\circle` and `\circle*` Largest circles and disks that can be drawn:
(With the `pict2e` package, any size circle or disk can be drawn.)

`\oval` [*rad*]:
An explicit `rad` argument can be used only with the `pict2e` package; the default value is the radius of the largest quarter-circle L^AT_EX can draw without the `pict2e` package.

2.3.1 Line

`\line` `\line(X,Y){LEN}`

In the Standard L^AT_EX implementation the slope arguments (*X*,*Y*) are restricted to integers in the range $-6 \leq X, Y \leq +6$, with no common divisors except ± 1 . Furthermore, only horizontal and vertical lines can assume arbitrary thickness; sloped lines are restricted to the widths given by `\thinlines` and `\thicklines`.

From [1, p. 222]:

These restrictions are eliminated by the `pict2e` package.

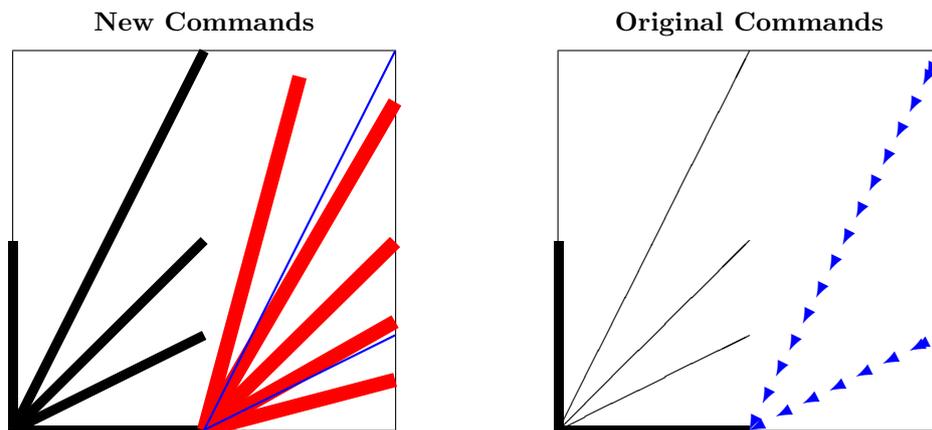


Figure 1: Line

However, the current implementation restricts these arguments to integers in the range $-1000 \leq X, Y \leq +1000$, which should be enough.

Furthermore, we still have $(0, 0) \mapsto (0, 1)$. I.e., the “impossible” slope is silently converted to a vertical line extending in the upward direction.

In the Standard \LaTeX implementation the horizontal extent of sloped lines must be at least 10 pt.

From [1, p. 222]:

This does not apply when the `pict2e` package is loaded.

Figure 1 shows the difference between the old and new implementation: The black lines in the left half of each picture have all slopes that conform to the restrictions of Standard \LaTeX . However, with the new implementation of `pict2e` sloped lines may assume any width given by `\linethickness`. The right half demonstrates that now arbitrary slopes are possible. The red lines correspond to angles of $15^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ, 60^\circ, 75^\circ$, respectively. This was achieved by multiplying the sine and cosine by 1000 and rounding to the nearest integer.

```

\put(50,0){\line(966,259){50}}
\put(50,0){\line(866,500){50}}
\put(50,0){\line(707,707){50}}
\put(50,0){\line(500,866){50}}
\put(50,0){\line(259,966){25}}

```

The blue lines represent “illegal” slopes, with common divisors. Note the funny effect Standard \LaTeX produces in such cases. (In \LaTeX releases prior to 2003/12/01, some such slopes might even lead to infinite loops! Cf. problem report latex/3570.)

2.3.2 Vector

`\vector` `\vector(\langle X, Y \rangle)\{ \langle LEN \rangle \}`

In the Standard \LaTeX implementation the slope arguments $(\langle X, Y \rangle)$ are restricted to integers in the range $-4 \leq X, Y \leq +4$, with no common divisors except ± 1 . Furthermore, arrow heads come only in two shapes, corresponding to `\thinlines` and `\thicklines`. (There’s also a flaw: the lines will be printed over the arrow heads.)

From [1, p. 222]:

These restrictions are eliminated by the `pict2e` package.

However, the current implementation restricts these arguments to integers in the range $-1000 \leq X, Y \leq +1000$, which should be enough.

Furthermore, unlike the Standard \LaTeX implementation, which silently converts the “impossible” slope to a vertical line extending in the upward direction $((0, 0) \mapsto (0, 1))$, the `pict2e` package now treats this as an error.

Figure 2 shows the difference between the old and new implementation: The black arrows have all “legal” slopes; the red ones have “illegal” ones. The new implementation imposes no restriction with respect to line thickness, minimum horizontal extent, and slope.

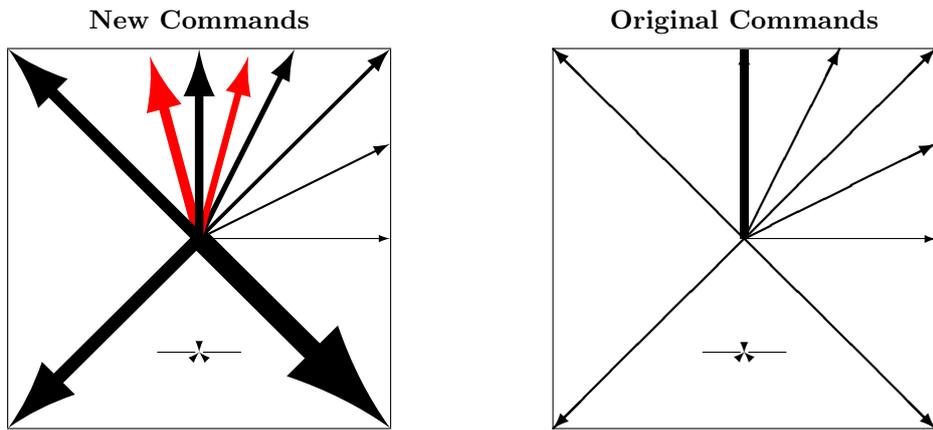


Figure 2: Vector

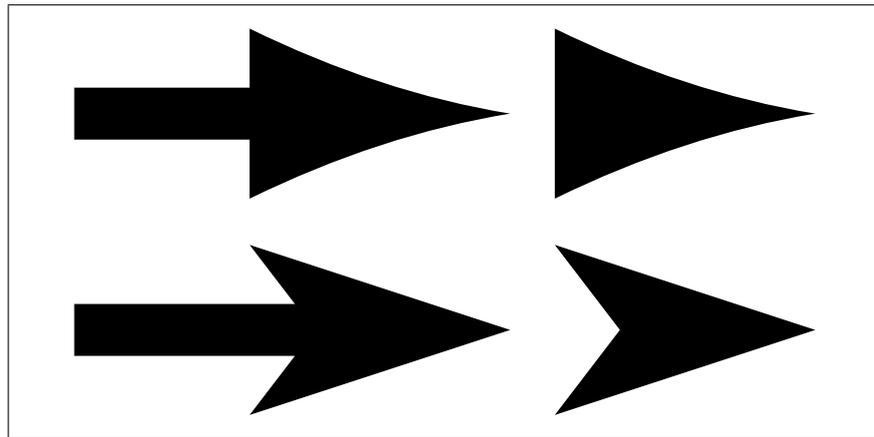


Figure 3: Vector: shape variants

As with Standard \LaTeX , the arrow head will always be drawn. In particular, only the arrow head will be drawn, if the total length of the arrow is less than the length of arrow head. See right hand side of Figure 3.

The current version of the `pict2e` package offers two variants for the shape of the arrow heads, controlled by package options. One variant tries to mimic the fonts used in the Standard \LaTeX implementation (package option `ltxarrows`, the default), though it is difficult to extrapolate from just two design sizes. The other one is implemented like the arrows of the `PSTricks` package [8] (package option `pstarrows`). See Figure 3.

2.3.3 Circle and Dot

```
\circle \circle{<DIAM>}
\circle* \circle*{<DIAM>}
```

The (hollow) circles and disks (filled circles) from the Standard \LaTeX implementation had severe restrictions on the number of different diameters and maximum diameters available.

From [1, p. 222]:

With the `pict2e` package, any size circle or disk can be drawn.

With the new implementation there are no more restrictions to the diameter argument. (However, negative or zero diameters are now trapped as an error.)

Furthermore, hollow circles (like sloped lines) can now be drawn with any line thickness. Figure 4 shows the difference.

2.3.4 Oval

```
\oval \oval[<rad>](<X,Y>)[<POS>]
\maxovalrad
```

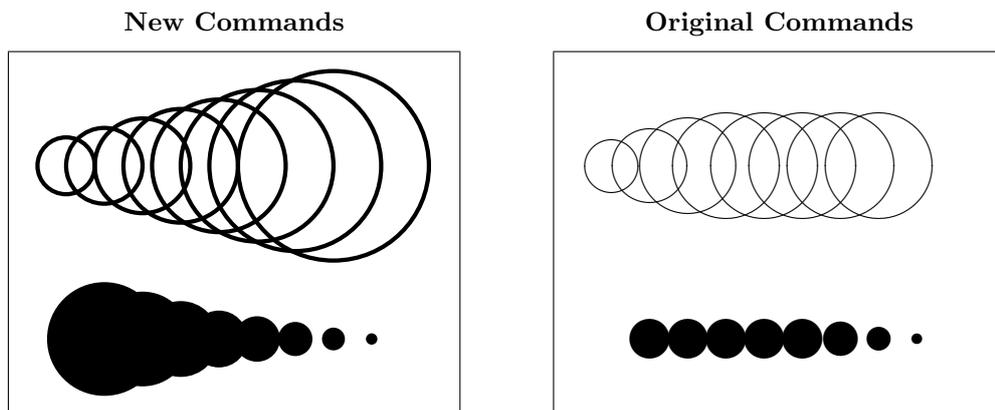


Figure 4: Circle and Dot

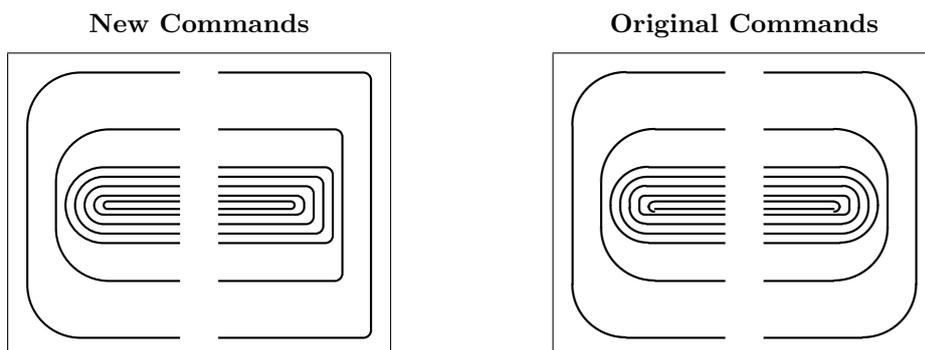


Figure 5: Radius argument for `\oval` vs. `\maxovalrad`

In the Standard \LaTeX implementation, the user has no control over the shape of an oval besides its size, since its corners would always consist of the “quarter circles of the largest possible radius less than or equal to *rad*” [1, p. 223].

From [1, p. 223]:

An explicit rad argument can be used only with the `pict2e` package; the default value is the radius of the largest quarter-circle \LaTeX can draw without the `pict2e` package.

This default value is 20 pt, a length. However, in an early reimplementaion of the picture commands [5], there is such an optional argument too, but it is given as a mere number, to be multiplied by `\unitlength`.

Since both alternatives may make sense, we left the choice to the user. (See Figure 6 for the differences. The number at the centre of each oval gives the relative value of `\unitlength`.) I.e., this implementation of `\oval` will “auto-detect” whether its [*rad*] argument is a length or a number. Furthermore, the default value is not hard-wired either; the user may access it under the moniker `\maxovalrad`, via `\renewcommand*`. (Names or values of length and counter registers may be given as well, both as an explicit [*rad*] argument and when redefining `\maxovalrad`.)

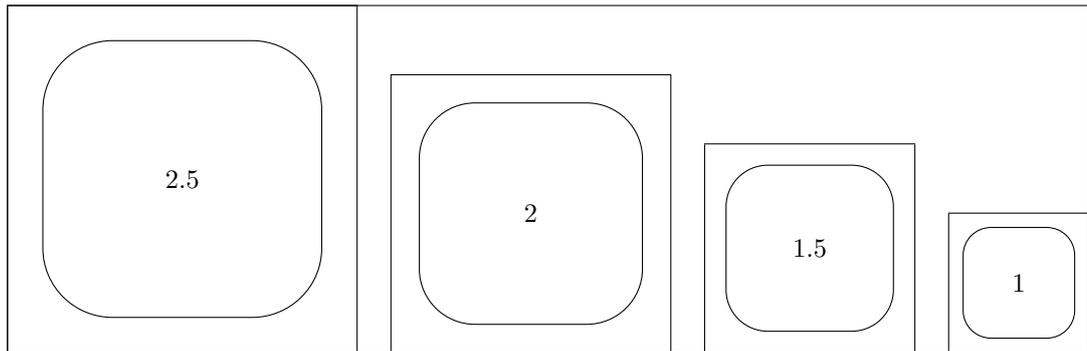
(Both [*rad*] and default value `\maxovalrad` are ignored in “standard \LaTeX mode”).

The behaviour of `\oval` in the absence of the [*rad*] argument is shown in Figure 5, left half of each picture. Note that in the Standard \LaTeX implementation there is a minimum radius as well (innermost “salami”). In the right half of each picture, a *rad* argument has been used: it has no effect with the original `\oval` command.

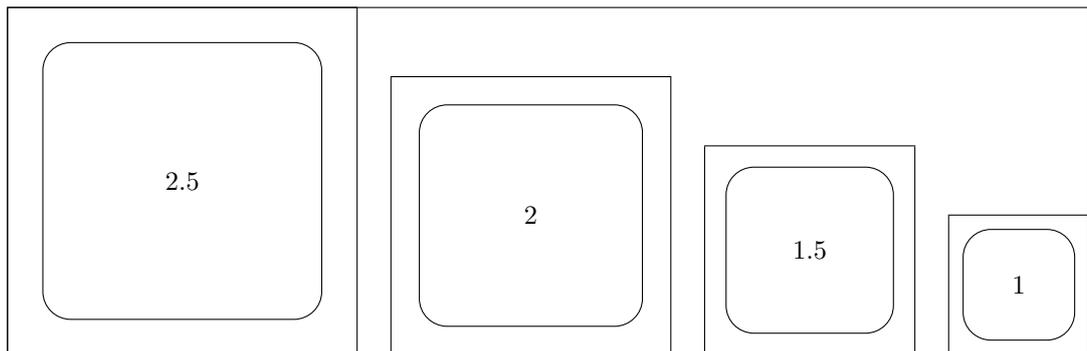
Both [*rad*] and `\maxovalrad` may be given as an explicit (rigid) length (i.e., with unit) or as a number. In the latter case the value is used as a factor to multiply by `\unitlength`. (A length or counter register will do as well, of course.)

If a number is given, the rounded corners of an oval will scale according to the current value of `\unitlength`. (See Figure 6, first row.)

New Commands, `\maxovalrad` depends on `\unitlength`



New Commands, `\maxovalrad` a fixed length



Original Commands, `\maxovalrad` ignored

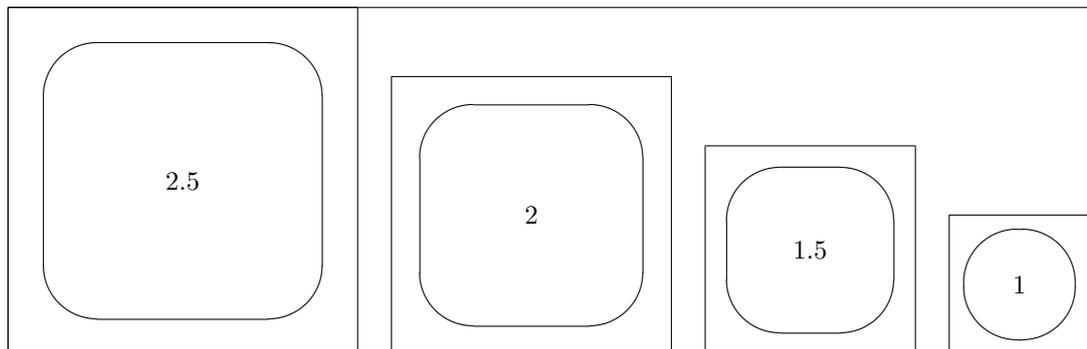


Figure 6: Radius argument for `\oval`: length vs. number

If a length is specified, the rounded corners of an oval will be the same regardless of the current value of `\unitlength`. (See Figure 6, second row.)

The default value is 20pt as specified for the [*rad*] argument of `\oval` by [1, p. 223]. (See Figure 6, third row.)

2.3.5 Bezier Curves

```

\bezier \bezier{<N>}(<AX,AY>)(<BX,BY>)(<CX,CY>)
\qbezier \qbezier[<N>](<AX,AY>)(<BX,BY>)(<CX,CY>)
\cbezier \cbezier[<N>](<AX,AY>)(<BX,BY>)(<CX,CY>)(<DX,DY>)

```

In Standard L^AT_EX, the *N* argument specifies the number of points to plot, with the maximum defined by `\qbeziermax`. (`\bezier` is the obsolescent variant from the old `bezier` package of vintage L^AT_EX2.09.) The `\cbezier` command draws a cubic Bezier curve; see [3].

From [1, p. 221–223]:

With the `pict2e` package, there is no limit to the number of points plotted.

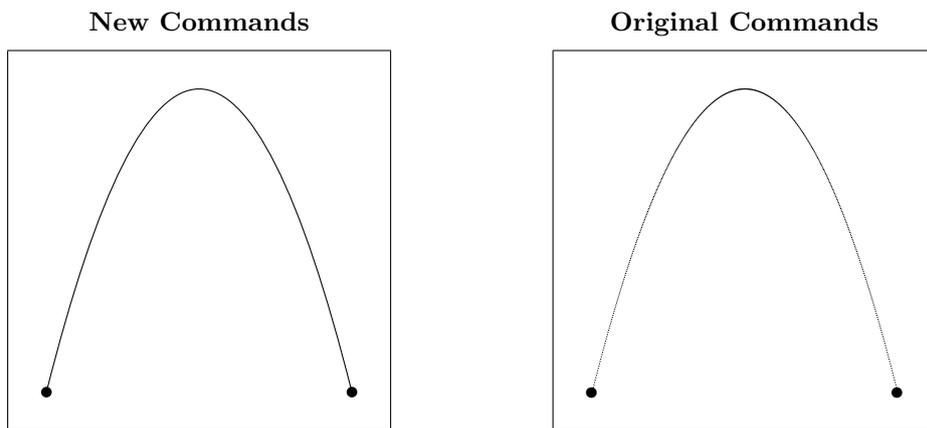


Figure 7: Bezier curves

More accurately, the argument specifying the maximum number of points to plot is simply ignored, as well as `\qbeziermax`.

3 Implementation

Unlike other packages that have reimplemented some of the commands from \LaTeX 's `picture` environment, we do not use special fonts, nor draw arbitrary shapes by the means of myriads of small characters, nor do we use sophisticated programming in some back-end programming language.

In its present state, this implementation supports just PostScript and PDF as back-end formats. It just calculates the necessary control points and uses primitive path drawing operators.

3.1 Preliminaries

`\pIIe@mode` The first two of these commands determine how the `pict2e` package works internally; they
`\pIIe@code` should be defined properly by the `p2e-*.def` driver files. (Cf. file `p2e-drivers.dtx` for
`\Gin@driver` details.) The latter command is well known from the `graphics` and `color` packages from the
Standard \LaTeX graphics bundle; it should be set by a package option—most likely in a (system
dependent) configuration file `pict2e.cfg`.

```

1 (*package)
2 \newcommand*\pIIe@mode{-1}
3 \newcommand*\pIIe@code[1]{}
4 \providecommand*\Gin@driver{}

```

`\pIIe@tempa` At times, we need some temporary storage bins. However, we only use some macros and do
`\pIIe@tempb` not allocate any new registers; the “superfluous” ones from the `picture` module of the kernel
`\pIIe@tempc` (`ltpictur.dtx`) and the general scratch registers should suffice.

```

5 \newcommand*\pIIe@tempa{}
6 \newcommand*\pIIe@tempb{}
7 \newcommand*\pIIe@tempc{}

```

3.2 Option processing

Driver options.

```

8 \DeclareOption{dvips}{\def\Gin@driver{dvips.def}}
9 \DeclareOption{xdvi}{\ExecuteOptions{dvips}}
10 \DeclareOption{dvipdf}{\def\Gin@driver{dvipdf.def}}
11 \DeclareOption{dvipdfm}{\def\Gin@driver{dvipdfm.def}}
12 \DeclareOption{pdftex}{\def\Gin@driver{pdftex.def}}
13 \DeclareOption{dvipsone}{\def\Gin@driver{dvipsone.def}}
14 \DeclareOption{dviwindo}{\ExecuteOptions{dvipsone}}

```

```

15 \DeclareOption{oztex}{\ExecuteOptions{dvips}}
16 \DeclareOption{textures}{\def\Gin@driver{textures.def}}
17 \DeclareOption{pctexps}{\def\Gin@driver{pctexps.def}}
18 \DeclareOption{pctex32}{\def\Gin@driver{pctex32.def}}
19 \DeclareOption{vtex}{\def\Gin@driver{vtex.def}}

```

Request “original” L^AT_EX mode.

```
20 \DeclareOption{original}{\def\pIie@mode{0}}
```

Arrow options.

```

21 \DeclareOption{ltxarrows}{\AtEndOfPackage{%
22   \let\pIie@vector=\pIie@vector@ltx
23   \def\pIie@FAL{1.52}%
24   \def\pIie@FAW{3.2}%
25   \def\pIie@CAW{1.5pt}%
26   \def\pIie@FAI{0.25}%
27 }}
28 \DeclareOption{pstarrows}{\AtEndOfPackage{%
29   \let\pIie@vector=\pIie@vector@pst
30   \def\pIie@FAL{1.4}%
31   \def\pIie@FAW{2}%
32   \def\pIie@CAW{1.5pt}%
33   \def\pIie@FAI{0.4}%
34 }}

```

`\pIie@debug@comment` This makes debugging easier.

```

35 \newcommand\pIie@debug@comment{}
36 \DeclareOption{debug}{%
37   \def\pIie@debug@comment{^^J^^J\@percentchar\space >>> pict2e <<<^^J}%
38   \begingroup
39     \ifundefined{pdfcompresslevel}{\global\pdfcompresslevel\z@}%
40   \endgroup}

```

A special variant of debugging. (Obsolescent? Once used for performance measurements: arctan vs. pyth-add versions of `\vector`.)

```
41 \DeclareOption{hide}{\AtEndOfPackage{\def\pIie@code#1{}}}
```

Unknown options default to mode “original.”

```
42 \DeclareOption*{\ExecuteOptions{original}}
```

By default, arrows are in the L^AT_EX style.

```
43 \ExecuteOptions{ltxarrows}
```

Like the `graphics` and `color` packages, we support a configuration file. (See file `p2e-drivers.dtx` for details and an example.)

```
44 \InputIfFileExists{pict2e.cfg}{\z@}
```

This now should make clear which mode and code we should use.

```
45 \ProcessOptions\relax
```

3.3 Output driver check

```

46 \ifnum\pIie@mode=\z@
47   \PackageInfo{pict2e}{Package option ‘original’ requested}
48 \else

```

This code fragment is more or less cloned from the `graphics` and `color` packages.

```

49   \if!\Gin@driver!
50     \PackageError{pict2e}
51       {No driver specified at all}
52       {You should make a default driver option in a file\MessageBreak
53         pict2e.cfg\MessageBreak eg: \protect\ExecuteOptions{dvips}}%
54   \else
55     \PackageInfo{pict2e}{Driver file: \Gin@driver}
56     \ifundefined{ver@\Gin@driver}{\input{\Gin@driver}}{}
57     \PackageInfo{pict2e}{Driver file for pict2e: p2e-\Gin@driver}

```

```

58   \InputIfFileExists{p2e-\Gin@driver}{}{%
59     \PackageError{pict2e}%
60     {Driver file ‘‘p2e-\Gin@driver’’ not found}%
61     {Q: Is the file properly installed? A: No!}}
62 \fi
63 \fi

```

3.4 Mode check

For PostScript and PDF modes.

```

64 \ifnum\pIIE@mode>\z@
65   \ifnum\pIIE@mode<\thr@@
66     \RequirePackage{trig}

```

```

\pIIE@old@sline Saved versions of some macros. (Or dummy definition.)
\pIIE@old@vector 67   \let\pIIE@old@sline\@sline
\pIIE@old@circle 68   \let\pIIE@old@vector\vector
  \pIIE@old@dot 69   \let\pIIE@old@circle\@circle
\pIIE@old@bezier 70   \let\pIIE@old@dot\@dot
\pIIE@old@cbezier 71   \let\pIIE@old@bezier\@bezier
  \pIIE@old@oval 72   \AtBeginDocument{%
    \pIIE@old@oval 73     \ifundefined{@cbezier}{%
74       \def\pIIE@old@cbezier[#1](#2,#3)(#4,#5)(#6,#7)(#8,#9){}%
75       }\let\pIIE@old@cbezier\@cbezier}}
76   \let\pIIE@old@oval\oval
77   \let\pIIE@old@oval\@oval

```

`\OriginalPictureCmds` Switches back to the original definitions; for testing purposes only.

```

78   \newcommand*\OriginalPictureCmds{%
79     \let\@sline\pIIE@old@sline
80     \let\vector\pIIE@old@vector
81     \let\@circle\pIIE@old@circle
82     \let\@dot\pIIE@old@dot
83     \let\@bezier\pIIE@old@bezier
84     \let\@cbezier\pIIE@old@cbezier
85     \renewcommand*\oval[1][\pIIE@old@oval]{%
86     \let\@oval\pIIE@old@oval
87     }

```

Overambitious drivers.

```

88   \else
89     \PackageError{pict2e}
90     {Unsupported mode (\pIIE@mode) specified}
91     {The driver you specified requested a mode\MessageBreak
92     not supported by this version of this package}%
93 \fi

```

Incapable drivers.

```

94 \else
95   \ifnum\pIIE@mode<\z@
96     \PackageError{pict2e}
97     {No suitable driver specified}
98     {You should make a default driver option in a file\MessageBreak
99     pict2e.cfg\MessageBreak eg: \protect\ExecuteOptions{dvips}}%
100 \fi
101 \fi

```

Big switch, completed near the end of the package.

```

102 \ifnum\pIIE@mode>\z@

```

3.5 Graphics operators

The following definitions allow the PostScript and PDF operations below to share some of the code.

```

103 \ifcase\pIIE@mode\relax

```

```

\pIIE@moveto@op PostScript
\pIIE@lineto@op 104 \or
\pIIE@setlinewidth@op 105 \newcommand*\pIIE@moveto@op{moveto}
\pIIE@stroke@op 106 \newcommand*\pIIE@lineto@op{lineto}
\pIIE@fill@op 107 \newcommand*\pIIE@setlinewidth@op{setlinewidth}
\pIIE@curveto@op 108 \newcommand*\pIIE@stroke@op{stroke}
\pIIE@concat@op 109 \newcommand*\pIIE@fill@op{fill}
110 \newcommand*\pIIE@curveto@op{curveto}
111 \newcommand*\pIIE@concat@op{concat}

```

```

\pIIE@moveto@op PDF
\pIIE@lineto@op 112 \or
\pIIE@setlinewidth@op 113 \newcommand*\pIIE@moveto@op{m}
\pIIE@stroke@op 114 \newcommand*\pIIE@lineto@op{l}
\pIIE@fill@op 115 \newcommand*\pIIE@setlinewidth@op{w}
\pIIE@curveto@op 116 \newcommand*\pIIE@stroke@op{S}
\pIIE@concat@op 117 \newcommand*\pIIE@fill@op{f}
118 \newcommand*\pIIE@curveto@op{c}
119 \newcommand*\pIIE@concat@op{cm}

```

(Currently, there are no other modes.)

```
120 \fi
```

3.6 Low-level operations

3.6.1 Collecting the graphics instructions and handling the output

`\pIIE@GRAPH` We collect all PostScript/PDF output code for a single picture object in a token register.

```

\pIIE@addtoGraph 121 \@ifdefinable\pIIE@GRAPH{\newtoks\pIIE@GRAPH}
122 \newcommand*\pIIE@addtoGraph[1]{%
123 \begingroup
124 \edef\x{\the\pIIE@GRAPH\space#1}%
125 \global\pIIE@GRAPH\expandafter{\x}%
126 \endgroup}

```

`\pIIE@fillGraph` The path will either be filled ...

```
127 \newcommand*\pIIE@fillGraph{\begingroup \@tempswatrue\pIIE@drawGraph}
```

`\pIIE@strokeGraph` ... or stroked.

```
128 \newcommand*\pIIE@strokeGraph{\begingroup \@tempswafalse\pIIE@drawGraph}
```

`\pIIE@drawGraph` Common code. When the drawing is complete, we output the contents of the token register.

```

129 \newcommand*\pIIE@drawGraph{%
130 \edef\x{\pIIE@debug@comment\space
131 \pIIE@scale@PTtoBP}%
132 \if@tempswa
133 \edef\y{\pIIE@fill@op}%
134 \else
135 \edef\x{\x\space\strip@pt\@wholewidth
136 \space\pIIE@setlinewidth@op}%
137 \edef\y{\pIIE@stroke@op}%
138 \fi
139 \expandafter\pIIE@code\expandafter{%
140 \expandafter\x\the\pIIE@GRAPH\space\y}%

```

Clear the graph and the current point after output.

```

141 \global\pIIE@GRAPH{}\xdef\pIIE@CPx{}\xdef\pIIE@CPy{}%
142 \endgroup}

```

3.6.2 Auxilliary macros

The following macros save us a plethora of tokens in subsequent code.

`\pIIE@CPx` The lengths (coordinates) given as arguments will be stored as real numbers. At the same
`\pIIE@CPy` time, we remember the “current point.” (Not strictly necessary for PostScript, but for some
`\pIIE@add@CP` operations in PDF, e.g., *rcurveto* emulation.)

```
143 \newcommand*\pIIE@CPx{} \newcommand*\pIIE@CPy{}
144 \newcommand*\pIIE@add@CP[2]{%
145   \begingroup
146     \@tempdima#1\xdef\pIIE@CPx{\the\@tempdima}%
147     \@tempdimb#2\xdef\pIIE@CPy{\the\@tempdimb}%
148     \pIIE@addtoGraph{\strip@pt\@tempdima\space\strip@pt\@tempdimb}%
149   \endgroup}
```

`\pIIE@add@nums` Similar, but does not set the “current point.” Values need not be coordinates (e.g., may be scaling factors, etc.).

```
150 \newcommand*\pIIE@add@nums[2]{%
151   \begingroup
152     \@tempdima#1\relax
153     \@tempdimb#2\relax
154     \pIIE@addtoGraph{\strip@pt\@tempdima\space\strip@pt\@tempdimb}%
155   \endgroup}
```

`\pIIE@add@num` Likewise, for a single argument.

```
156 \newcommand*\pIIE@add@num[1]{%
157   \begingroup
158     \@tempdima#1\relax
159     \pIIE@addtoGraph{\strip@pt\@tempdima}%
160   \endgroup}
```

3.7 Medium-level operations

3.7.1 Transformations

Transformation operators; not all are currently used. (Hence, some are untested.)

`\pIIE@PTtoBP` Scaling factor, used below. “pt→bp” ($72/72.27 = 0.99626401$). Note the trailing space!

```
161 \newcommand*\pIIE@PTtoBP{0.99626401 }
```

```
162 \ifcase\pIIE@mode\relax
```

`\pIIE@concat` PostScript: Use some operators directly.

```
\pIIE@translate 163 \or
\pIIE@rotate 164 \newcommand*\pIIE@concat[6]{%
\pIIE@scale 165   \begingroup
\pIIE@scale@PTtoBP 166   \pIIE@addtoGraph{[]}%
167   \@tempdima#1\relax \@tempdimb#2\relax
168   \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
169   \@tempdima#3\relax \@tempdimb#4\relax
170   \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
171   \@tempdima#5\relax \@tempdimb#6\relax
172   \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
173   \pIIE@addtoGraph[] \pIIE@concat@op}%
174   \endgroup}
175 \newcommand*\pIIE@translate[2]{\pIIE@add@nums{#1}{#2}\pIIE@addtoGraph{translate}}
176 \newcommand*\pIIE@rotate[1]{\pIIE@add@num{#1}\pIIE@addtoGraph{rotate}}
177 \newcommand*\pIIE@scale[2]{\pIIE@add@nums{#1}{#2}\pIIE@addtoGraph{scale}}
178 \newcommand*\pIIE@scale@PTtoBP{\pIIE@PTtoBP \pIIE@PTtoBP scale}
```

`\pIIE@concat` PDF: Emulate. :-(
`\pIIE@translate` 179 \or

```
\pIIE@rotate 180 \newcommand*\pIIE@concat[6]{%
\pIIE@scale
\pIIE@scale@PTtoBP
```

```

181 \begingroup
182 \@tempdima#1\relax \@tempdima#2\relax
183 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima
184 \@tempdima#3\relax \@tempdima#4\relax
185 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima
186 \@tempdima#5\relax \@tempdima#6\relax
187 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima
188 \pIIE@addtoGraph\pIIE@concat@op
189 \endgroup}
190 \newcommand*\pIIE@translate[2]{\pIIE@concat\p@z@\z@\p@{#1}{#2}}
191 \newcommand*\pIIE@rotate[1]{%
192 \begingroup
193 \@tempdima#1\relax
194 \edef\pIIE@tempa{\strip@pt\@tempdima}%
195 \CalculateSin\pIIE@tempa
196 \CalculateCos\pIIE@tempa
197 \edef\pIIE@tempb{\UseSin\pIIE@tempa}%
198 \edef\pIIE@tempc{\UseCos\pIIE@tempa}%
199 \pIIE@concat{\pIIE@tempc\p@}{\pIIE@tempb\p@}%
200 {-\pIIE@tempb\p@}{\pIIE@tempc\p@}\z@\z@
201 \endgroup}
202 \newcommand*\pIIE@scale[2]{\pIIE@concat{#1}\z@\z@{#2}\z@\z@}
203 \newcommand*\pIIE@scale@PTtoBP{\pIIE@PTtoBP 0 0 \pIIE@PTtoBP 0 0 \pIIE@concat@op}

```

(Currently, there are no other modes.)

204 \fi

3.7.2 Path definitions

\pIIE@moveto Simple things ...

```

205 \newcommand*\pIIE@moveto[2]{%
206 \pIIE@add@CP{#1}{#2}\pIIE@addtoGraph\pIIE@moveto@op}

```

\pIIE@lineto ... have to be defined, too.

```

207 \newcommand*\pIIE@lineto[2]{%
208 \pIIE@add@CP{#1}{#2}\pIIE@addtoGraph\pIIE@lineto@op}

```

We'll use \pIIE@rcurveto to draw quarter circles. (\circle and \oval).

209 \ifcase\pIIE@mode\relax

\pIIE@rcurveto PostScript: Use the “rcurveto” operator directly.

```

210 \or
211 \newcommand*\pIIE@rcurveto[6]{%
212 \begingroup
213 \@tempdima#1\relax \@tempdima#2\relax
214 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima
215 \@tempdima#3\relax \@tempdima#4\relax
216 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima
217 \@tempdima#5\relax \@tempdima#6\relax
218 \pIIE@add@CP\@tempdima\@tempdima
219 \pIIE@addtoGraph{rcurveto}%
220 \endgroup}

```

\pIIE@rcurveto PDF: It's necessary to emulate the PostScript operator “rcurveto”. For this, the “current point” must be known, i.e., all macros which change the “current point” must set \pIIE@CPx and \pIIE@CPy.

```

221 \or
222 \newcommand*\pIIE@rcurveto[6]{%
223 \begingroup
224 \@tempdima#1\advance\@tempdima\pIIE@CPx\relax
225 \@tempdima#2\advance\@tempdima\pIIE@CPy\relax
226 \pIIE@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdima

```

```

227     \@tempdima#3\advance\@tempdima\pIe@CPx\relax
228     \@tempdimb#4\advance\@tempdimb\pIe@CPy\relax
229     \pIe@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
230     \@tempdima#5\advance\@tempdima\pIe@CPx\relax
231     \@tempdimb#6\advance\@tempdimb\pIe@CPy\relax
232     \pIe@add@CP\@tempdima\@tempdimb
233     \pIe@addtoGraph\pIe@curveto@op
234     \endgroup}

```

(Currently, there are no other modes.)

```
235 \fi
```

`\pIe@curveto` This is currently only used for Bezier curves and for drawing the heads of L^AT_EX-like arrows. Note: It's the same for PostScript and PDF.

```

236 \newcommand*\pIe@curveto[6]{%
237   \begingroup
238     \@tempdima#1\relax \@tempdimb#2\relax
239     \pIe@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
240     \@tempdima#3\relax \@tempdimb#4\relax
241     \pIe@add@nums\@tempdima\@tempdimb
242     \@tempdima#5\relax \@tempdimb#6\relax
243     \pIe@add@CP\@tempdima\@tempdimb
244     \pIe@addtoGraph\pIe@curveto@op
245   \endgroup}

```

3.8 Pythagorean Addition, and Division

`\pIe@pyth` This algorithm is copied from the P_TE_X package (see [4]) by Michael Wichura, with his permission (cite Email!).

```

246 \newcommand*\pIe@pyth[3]{%
247   \begingroup
248     \@tempdima=#1\relax
249     \@tempdima = abs(x)
250     \ifnum\@tempdima<z@\@tempdima=-\@tempdima\fi
251     \@tempdimb=#2\relax
252     \@tempdimb = abs(y)
253     \ifnum\@tempdimb<z@\@tempdimb=-\@tempdimb\fi
254     \@tempdimb = s = abs(x) + abs(y)
255     \advance\@tempdimb\@tempdima
256     \ifnum\@tempdimb=\z@
257       \@tempdimc = z =  $\sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)}$ 
258       \global\@tempdimc=\z@
259     \else
260       \@tempdima = 8  $\times$  abs(x)
261       \multiply\@tempdima 8\relax
262       \@tempdimc = 8t = 8  $\times$  abs(x)/s
263       \pIe@@divide\@tempdima\@tempdimb
264       \@tempdimc = 4 $\tau$  = (8t - 4)
265       \advance\@tempdimc -4pt
266       \multiply\@tempdimc 2
267       \edef\pIe@tempa{\strip@pt\@tempdimc}%
268       \@tempdima = (8 $\tau$ )2
269       \@tempdima=\pIe@tempa\@tempdimc
270       \@tempdima = [64 + (8 $\tau$ )2]/2 = (8f)2
271       \advance\@tempdima 64pt
272       \divide\@tempdima 2\relax

```

```

initial guess at  $\sqrt{u}$ 
264     \dashdim=7pt
       \dashdim =  $\sqrt{u}$ 
265     \pIe@@pyth\pIe@@pyth\pIe@@pyth
266     \edef\pIe@tempa{\strip@pt\dashdim}%
267     \@tempdimc=\pIe@tempa\@tempdimb
       \@tempdimc =  $z = (8f) \times s/8$ 
268     \global\divide\@tempdimc 8
269     \fi
270 \endgroup
271 #3=\@tempdimc}

```

```

\pIe@@pyth \dashdim =  $g \leftarrow (g + u/g)/2$ 
272 \newcommand*\pIe@@pyth{%
273 \pIe@@divide\@tempdima\dashdim
274 \advance\dashdim\@tempdimc
275 \divide\dashdim\tw@}

```

\pIe@@divide This division algorithm is similar to the one used for the tangent in the trig package [6]. It does not allow large arguments. A very small denominator argument leads to division by zero.

```

276 \newcommand*\pIe@@divide[2]{%
277   216 (sp)
277   \@tempcnta\p@
278   230 > \maxdimen !
278   \multiply\@tempcnta\two@fourteen
279   \cldwd#2\relax
280   \divide\@cldwd\@iv
281   \divide\@tempcnta\@cldwd
282   \cldht\@tempcnta sp\relax
283   \cldwd#1\relax
284   \@tempdimc\strip@pt\@cldwd\@cldht}

```

\pIe@@divide Improve this documentation!

$$\#3 = \frac{2^{30} \cdot \#1}{2^{-2} \cdot \#2 \cdot 2^{16}}$$

(The factor 2^{16} is implied by T_EX's division.)

```

285 \newcommand*\pIe@@divide[3]{%
286 \pIe@@divide{\#1}{\#2}%
287 #3=\@tempdimc}

```

3.9 High-level operations

3.9.1 Line

\@sline (The implementation here is different from \vector!)

```

288 \def\@sline{%
289 \begingroup
290 \ifnum\@xarg<\z@\@linelen-\@linelen\fi
291 \pIe@@divide{\@yarg\p@}{\@xarg\p@}\dimen@
292 \@ydim=\strip@pt\dimen@\@linelen
293 \pIe@moveto\z@\z@
294 \pIe@lineto\@linelen\@ydim
295 \pIe@strokeGraph
296 \endgroup}

```

3.9.2 Vector

`\vector` Unlike `\line`, `\vector` must be redefined, because the kernel version checks for illegal slope arguments.

`\vector(\langle x,y\rangle)\{\langle l_x\rangle\}`: Instead of calculating $\theta = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$, we use “pythagorean addition” [4] to determine $s = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and to obtain the length of the vector $l = l_x \cdot \frac{s}{x}$ and the values of $\sin \theta = \frac{y}{s}$ and $\cos \theta = \frac{x}{s}$ for the rotation of the coordinate system.

```
297 \def\vector(#1,#2)#3{%
298 \begingroup
299 \@xarg#1\relax \@yarg#2\relax
300 \@linelen#3\unitlength
```

Missing macro: `\@abs{\langle val\rangle}` – should be in the kernel! It would save a plethora of tokens here and in other packages and even in the kernel itself (e.g., cf. `\vector`). Should we define it in this package?

```
301 \ifnum\ifnum\@xarg<\z@-\fi\@xarg>\@m \@badlinearg \fi
302 \ifnum\ifnum\@yarg<\z@-\fi\@yarg>\@m \@badlinearg \fi
```

A bit incompatible with standard L^AT_EX, and with `\line`: slope (0,0) raises an error.

```
303 \ifnum\@xarg=\z@ \ifnum\@yarg=\z@ \@badlinearg \fi\fi
304 \ifdim\@linelen<\z@\@badlinearg\else
305 \pIIE@pyth{\@xarg\p@}\@yarg\p@\@dimen@%
306 \ifnum\@xarg=\z@
307 \else\ifnum\@yarg=\z@
308 \else
```

This calculation is only necessary, if the vector is actually sloped.

```
309 \pIIE@divide\@dimen@{\@xarg\p@}\@xdim
310 \@linelen\strip@pt\@xdim\@linelen
311 \@linelen\ifdim\@linelen<\z@-\fi\@linelen
312 \fi
313 \fi
```

sin θ and cos θ

```
314 \pIIE@divide{\@yarg\p@}\@dimen@\@ydim
315 \pIIE@divide{\@xarg\p@}\@dimen@\@xdim
```

Rotate the following vector/arrow outlines by angle θ .

```
316 \pIIE@concat\@xdim\@ydim{-\@ydim}\@xdim\z@\z@
```

Internal command to draw the outline of the vector/arrow.

```
317 \pIIE@vector
318 \pIIE@fillGraph
319 \fi
320 \endgroup}
```

`\pIIE@vector` This command should be `\def`'ed or `\let` to a macro that generates the vector's outline path. Now initialized by package option.

```
321 \newcommand*\pIIE@vector{}
```

`\pIIE@FAL` Some macros to parametrize the shape of the vector outline. Should be user-level macros or `\pIIE@FAW` changeable via key-value interface. See Figures 8 and 9.

```
\pIIE@CAW 322 \newcommand*\pIIE@FAL{\newcommand*\pIIE@FAW{\newcommand*\pIIE@CAW{}
```

```
\pIIE@FAI 323 \newcommand*\pIIE@FAI{}
```

```
\pIIE@@firstnum 324 \newcommand*\pIIE@@firstnum{\newcommand*\pIIE@@secondnum{}
```

```
\pIIE@@secondnum 325 \AtBeginDocument{%
```

```
326 \@ifpackageloaded{pstricks}{%
327 \def\pIIE@FAL{\psk@arrowlength}%
328 \def\pIIE@FAW{\expandafter\pIIE@@secondnum\psk@arrowsize}%
329 \def\pIIE@CAW{\expandafter\pIIE@@firstnum\psk@arrowsize}%
330 \def\pIIE@FAI{\psk@arrowinset}%
331 \def\pIIE@@firstnum#1 #2 {\#1\p@}%
332 \def\pIIE@@secondnum#1 #2 {\#2}%
333 }-}%
334 }
```

$L = \text{\@linelen}$
 $W = \text{\@wholewidth} = 2 \times \text{\@halfwidth}$
 $AW = \text{\pIIE@FAW} \times W + \text{\pIIE@CAW}$
 $AL = \text{\pIIE@FAL} \times AW$
 $IN = \text{\pIIE@FAI} \times AW/2$

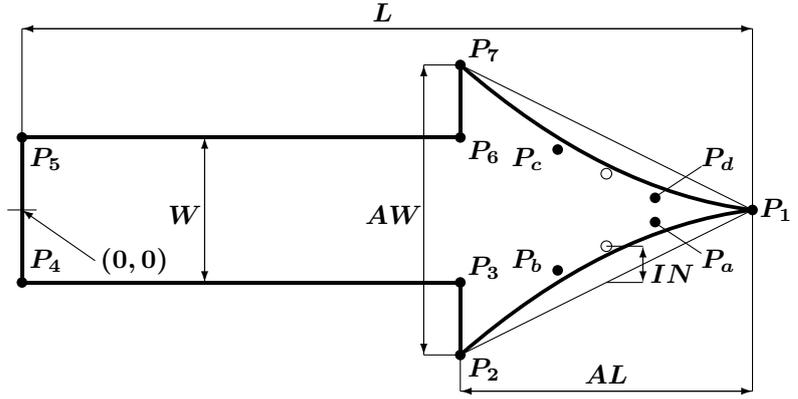


Figure 8: Sketch of the path drawn by the L^AT_EX-like implementation of `\vector`. (Note: We are using the redefined macros of `pict2e`!)

L^AT_EX version The arrows drawn by the variant generated by the `ltxarrows` package option are modeled after those in the fonts used by standard L^AT_EX. See Figure 8.

`\pIIE@vector@ltx` The arrow outline. (Not yet quite the same as with L^AT_EX's fonts.)

Problem: Extrapolation. There are only two design sizes (thicknesses) for L^AT_EX's line drawing fonts. Where can we go from there?

Note that only the arrow head will be drawn, if the length argument of the `\vector` command is smaller than the calculated length of the arrow head.

```

335 \newcommand*\pIIE@vector@ltx{%
336   \@ydim\pIIE@FAW\@wholewidth \advance\@ydim\pIIE@CAW\relax
337   \@ovxx\pIIE@FAL\@ydim
338   \@xdim\@linelen \advance\@xdim-\@ovxx
339   \divide\@ydim\tw@
340   \divide\@ovxx\tw@ \advance\@ovxx\@xdim
341   \@ovyy\@ydim
342   \divide\@ovyy\tw@ \advance\@ovyy-\pIIE@FAI\@ydim
          P'_{7a} = P_m + 1/3(P_0 - P_m)
343 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@linelen\@ovxx\@ovro
344 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\z@\@ovyy\@ovri
          P''_{7a} = P_m + 1/3(P_3 - P_m)
345 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@xdim\@ovxx\@clnwd
346 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@ydim\@ovyy\@clnht
          P_1
347 \pIIE@moveto\@linelen\z@
          P_{2a}/P_2
348 \pIIE@curveto\@ovro{-\@ovri}\@clnwd{-\@clnht}\@xdim{-\@ydim}%
349 \ifdim\@xdim>\z@
          P_3
350 \pIIE@lineto\@xdim{-\@halfwidth}%
          P_4
351 \pIIE@lineto\z@{-\@halfwidth}%
          P_5
352 \pIIE@lineto\z@\@halfwidth}%
          P_6
353 \pIIE@lineto\@xdim\@halfwidth}%
354 \fi
          P_7
355 \pIIE@lineto\@xdim\@ydim
          P_{7a}/P_1
356 \pIIE@curveto\@clnwd\@clnht\@ovro\@ovri\@linelen\z@}

```

$L = \text{\@linelen}$
 $W = \text{\@wholewidth} = 2 \times \text{\@halfwidth}$
 $AW = \text{\pIIE@FAW} \times W + \text{\pIIE@CAW}$
 $AL = \text{\pIIE@FAL} \times AW$
 $IN = \text{\pIIE@FAI} \times AL$

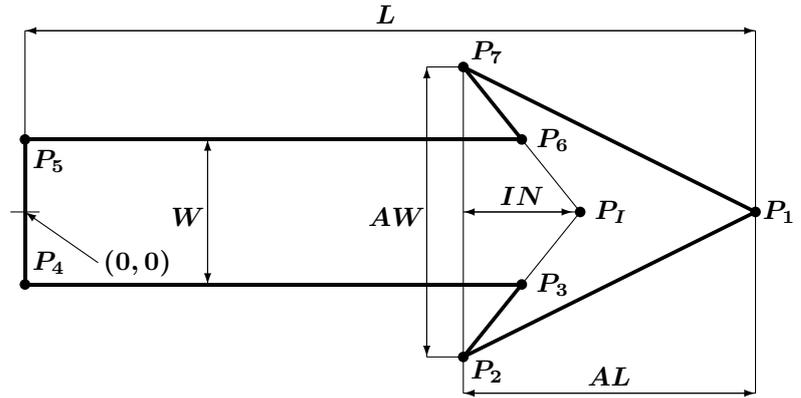


Figure 9: Sketch of the path drawn by the PSTricks-like implementation of `\vector`. (Note: We are using the redefined macros of `pict2e`!)

PSTricks version The arrows drawn by the variant generated by the `pstarrows` package option are modeled after those in the `pstricks` package [8]. See Figure 9.

`\pIIE@vector@pst` The arrow outline. Note that only the arrowhead will be drawn, if the length argument of the `\vector` command is smaller than the calculated length of the arrow head.

```

357 \newcommand*\pIIE@vector@pst{%
358   \@ydim\pIIE@FAW\@wholewidth \advance\@ydim\pIIE@CAW\relax
359   \@ovxx\pIIE@FAL\@ydim
360   \@xdim\@linelen \advance\@xdim-\@ovxx
361   \divide\@ydim\tw@
362   \@ovyy\@ydim \advance\@ovyy-\@halfwidth %a
363   \@ovdx\pIIE@FAI\@ovxx %d
364   \pIIE@@divide\@ovdx\@ydim % d/c
365   \@ovxx\strip@pt\@ovyy\@tempdimc %b
366   \advance\@ovxx\@xdim
367   \advance\@ovdx\@xdim
      P_1
368   \pIIE@moveto\@linelen\z@
      P_2
369   \pIIE@lineto\@xdim{-\@ydim}%
370   \ifdim\@xdim>\z@
      P_3
371   \pIIE@lineto\@ovxx{-\@halfwidth}%
      P_4
372   \pIIE@lineto\z@{-\@halfwidth}%
      P_5
373   \pIIE@lineto\z@\@halfwidth}%
      P_6
374   \pIIE@lineto\@ovxx{\@halfwidth}%
375   \else
      P_{1a}
376   \pIIE@lineto\@ovdx\z@
377   \fi
      P_7
378   \pIIE@lineto\@xdim\@ydim
      P_1
379   \pIIE@lineto\@linelen\z@}

```

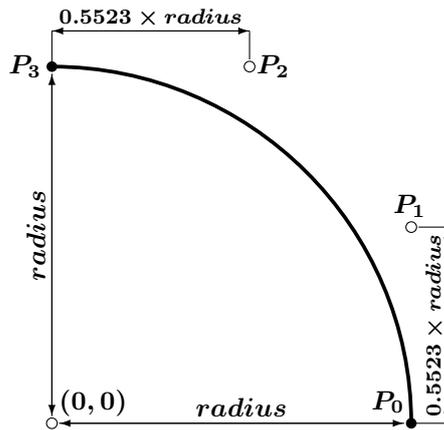


Figure 10: Sketch of the path drawn by `\pIIE@qcircle` (NE quarter)

3.9.3 Circle and Dot

`\@circle` The circle will either be stroked ...

```
380 \def\@circle#1{\begingroup \@tempswafalse\pIIE@circ{#1}}
```

`\@dot` ... or filled.

```
381 \def\@dot#1{\begingroup \@tempswatrue\pIIE@circ{#1}}
```

`\pIIE@circ` Common code.

```
382 \newcommand*\pIIE@circ[1]{%
```

We need the radius instead of the diameter. Unlike Standard L^AT_EX, we check for negative or zero diameter argument.

```
383 \@tempdima#1\unitlength
```

```
384 \ifdim\@tempdima>\z@ \else \pIIE@badcircarg \fi
```

```
385 \divide\@tempdima\tw@
```

```
386 \pIIE@circle\@tempdima
```

With the current state of affairs, we could use `\pIIE@drawGraph` directly; but that would possibly be a case of premature optimisation. (Use of `@tempswa` both here and inside `quarter-circle!`)

```
387 \if@tempswa \pIIE@fillGraph \else \pIIE@strokeGraph \fi
```

```
388 \endgroup}
```

`\pIIE@circle` Approximate a full circle by four quarter circles.

```
389 \newcommand*\pIIE@circle[1]{%
```

```
390 \pIIE@qcircle[1]\z@{#1}\pIIE@qcircle \@ne{#1}%
```

```
391 \pIIE@qcircle \tw@{#1}\pIIE@qcircle\thr@@{#1}}
```

`\pIIE@qcircle` Approximate a quarter circle, using cubic Bezier splines.

`#1`=Switch (0=no ‘moveto’, 1=‘moveto’), `#2`=Quadrant No., `#3`=Radius.

0 = 1st Quadrant (NE) 1 = 2nd Quadrant (NW)

2 = 3rd Quadrant (SW) 3 = 4th Quadrant (SE)

(PostScript: We could use the `arc` operator!)

0.55228474983 = “magic number” (see [3]).

```
392 \newcommand*\pIIE@qcircle[3][0]{%
```

```
393 \begingroup
```

```
394 \@ovro#3\relax \@ovri0.55228474983\@ovro
```

```
395 \@tempdimc\@ovri \advance\@tempdimc-\@ovro
```

```
396 \ifnum#1>\z@ \@tempswatrue \else \@tempswafalse \fi
```

```
397 \ifcase#2\relax
```

NE

```
398 \pIIE@qcircle\@ovro\z@\z@\@ovri\@tempdimc\@ovro{-\@ovro}\@ovro
```

```
399 \or
```

```

NW
400 \pIe@@qcircle\z@\ovro{-\ovri}\z@{-\ovro}\@tempdimc{-\ovro}{-\ovro}%
401 \or
SW
402 \pIe@@qcircle{-\ovro}\z@\z@{-\ovri}{-\@tempdimc}{-\ovro}\ovro{-\ovro}%
403 \or
SE
404 \pIe@@qcircle\z@{-\ovro}\ovri\z@\ovro{-\@tempdimc}\ovro\ovro
405 \fi
406 \endgroup}

```

`\pIe@@qcircle` Ancillary macro; saves us some tokens above.

Note: Use of `rcurveto` instead of `curveto` makes it possible (or at least much easier) to re-use this macro for the rounded corners of ovals.

```

407 \newcommand*\pIe@@qcircle[8]{%
408 \if@tempswa\pIe@moveto{#1}{#2}\fi \pIe@rcurveto{#3}{#4}{#5}{#6}{#7}{#8}}

```

`\pIe@badcircarg` Obvious cousin to `\@badlinearg` from the L^AT_EX kernel.

```

409 \newcommand*\pIe@badcircarg{%
410 \PackageError{pict2e}%
411 {Illegal argument in \protect\circle(*) or \protect\oval}%
412 {The radius of a circle, dot or oval corner must be greater than zero.}}%

```

3.9.4 Oval

`\maxovalrad` User level command, may be redefined by `\renewcommand*`. It may be given as an explicit (rigid) length (with unit) or as a number. (dimen and count registers should work, too.) In the latter case it is used as a factor to multiply by `\unitlength`. The default value is 20 pt as specified for the [*rad*] argument of `\oval` by [1, p. 223].

```

413 \newcommand*\maxovalrad{20pt}

```

`\pIe@defaultUL` See `\Gin@defaultbp` and `\Gin@def@bp` from `graphics.dtx`. This seems necessary, since [1, p. 223] does not specify whether the [*rad*] argument should be given in terms of `\unitlength` or as an absolute length.

```

414 \newcommand*\pIe@defaultUL[2]{%
415 \afterassignment\pIe@def@UL\dimen@#2\unitlength\relax{#1}{#2}}

```

However, things are simpler in our case, since we always need the value stored in `\dimen@`. Hence, we could/should omit the unnecessary argument!?) Unlike Standard L^AT_EX, we check for negative or zero radius argument.

```

416 \newcommand*\pIe@def@UL{}
417 \def\pIe@def@UL#1\relax#2#3{%
418 % \if!#1!%
419 % \def#2{#3}% \edef ?
420 % \else
421 % \edef#2{\strip@pt\dimen@}%
422 % \fi
423 \ifdim\dimen@>\z@\else \pIe@badcircarg \fi
424 \edef#2{\the\dimen@}}

```

`\oval` The variant of `\oval` defined here takes an additional optional argument, which specifies the maximum radius of the rounded corners (default = 20 pt, as given above). `\pIe@maxovalrad` is the internal variant of `\maxovalrad`.

```

425 \newcommand*\pIe@maxovalrad{}
426 \renewcommand*\oval[1][\maxovalrad]{%
427 \begingroup \pIe@defaultUL\pIe@maxovalrad{#1}%

```

Can't close the group here, since arguments must be parsed. (This is done by calling the saved original.)

```

428 \pIe@oldoval}

```

```

\@oval (This is called in turn by the saved original.)
429 \def\@oval(#1,#2)[#3]{%
  In analogy to circles, we need only half of the size value.
430 \@ovxx#1\unitlength \divide\@ovxx\tw@
431 \@ovyy#2\unitlength \divide\@ovyy\tw@
432 \@tempdimc \ifdim\@ovyy>\@ovxx \@ovxx \else \@ovyy \fi
433 \ifdim\pIIE@maxovalrad<\@tempdimc \@tempdimc\pIIE@maxovalrad\relax \fi

  Subtract the radius of the corners to get coordinates for the straight line segments.
434 \@xdim\@ovxx \advance\@xdim-\@tempdimc
435 \@ydim\@ovyy \advance\@ydim-\@tempdimc

  Determine which parts of the oval we have to draw.
436 \pIIE@get@quadrants{#3}%

  “@tempswa = false” means, that we have to suppress the ‘moveto’ in the following quadrant.
437 \@tempswatrue

  The following isn’t strictly necessary, but yields a single (unfragmented) path even for [r]
  (right half of oval only). Useful for future extensions.
  Bits 3 and 0 set? (SE/NE)
438 \ifnum9=\@tempcnta
439 \pIIE@qoval\z@{-\@ovyy}{-\@xdim}{-\@ovyy}\thr@@\@tempdimc\@ovxx\z@

  Bit 0 set! (NE)
440 \@tempcnta\@ne
441 \fi

  Bit 0 set? (NE)
442 \pIIE@qoval\@ovxx\z@\@ovxx\@ydim\z@\@tempdimc\z@\@ovyy

  Bit 1 set? (NW)
443 \pIIE@qoval\z@\@ovyy{-\@xdim}\@ovyy\@ne\@tempdimc{-\@ovxx}\z@

  Bit 2 set? (SW)
444 \pIIE@qoval{-\@ovxx}\z@{-\@ovxx}{-\@ydim}\tw@\@tempdimc\z@{-\@ovyy}%

  Bit 3 set? (SE)
445 \pIIE@qoval\z@{-\@ovyy}{\@xdim}{-\@ovyy}\thr@@\@tempdimc\@ovxx\z@

  Close the group opened by \@oval above.
446 \pIIE@strokeGraph
447 \endgroup}

```

`\pIIE@qoval` Ancillary macro; saves us some tokens above.
(PostScript: We could use the `arc` or `arcto` operator!)

```

448 \newcommand*\pIIE@qoval[8]{%
  Bit set?
449 \ifodd\@tempcnta
450 \if@tempswa\pIIE@moveto{#1}{#2}\fi
451 \pIIE@lineto{#3}{#4}\pIIE@qcircle{#5}{#6}\pIIE@lineto{#7}{#8}%
452 \@tempswafalse
453 \else
454 \@tempswatrue
455 \fi

  Shift by one bit.
456 \divide\@tempcnta\tw@}

```

`\pIIE@get@quadrants` According to the parameter (`tlbr`) bits are set in `\@tempcnta`:

0 = 1st Quadrant (NE)	1 = 2nd Quadrant (NW)
2 = 3rd Quadrant (SW)	3 = 4th Quadrant (SE)

(Cf. `\@oval` and `\@ovvert` in the L^AT_EX kernel.) We abuse `\@setfpsbit` from the float processing modules of the kernel.

```

457 \newcommand*\pIIE@get@quadrants[1]{%

```

```

458 \@ovttrue \@ovbtrue \@ovltrue \@ovrtrue \@tempcnta\z@
459 \@tfor\reserved@a=#1\do{\csname @ov\reserved@a false\endcsname}%
460 \if@ovr \if@ovb\@setfpsbit2\fi \if@ovt\@setfpsbit4\fi \fi
461 \if@ovl \if@ovb\@setfpsbit1\fi \if@ovt\@setfpsbit8\fi \fi}

```

3.9.5 Quadratic Bezier Curve

`\@bezier` #1, the maximum number of points to use, is simply ignored, as well as `\qbeziermax`.

```

462 \def\@bezier#1(#2,#3)(#4,#5)(#6,#7){%
      
$$P_0 = (\#2, \#3) \quad P_m = (\#4, \#5) \quad P_3 = (\#6, \#7)$$

463 \begingroup
464 \@ovxx#2\unitlength \@ovyy#3\unitlength
465 \@ovdx#4\unitlength \@ovdy#5\unitlength
466 \@xdim#6\unitlength \@ydim#7\unitlength
      
$$P_1 = P_m + 1/3(P_0 - P_m)$$

467 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@ovxx\@ovdx\@ovro
468 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@ovyy\@ovdy\@ovri
      
$$P_2 = P_m + 1/3(P_3 - P_m)$$

469 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@xdim\@ovdx\@clnwd
470 \pIIE@bezier@QtoC\@ydim\@ovdy\@clnht
      
$$(P_{0x}, P_{0y})$$

471 \pIIE@moveto\@ovxx\@ovyy
      
$$(P_{1x}, P_{1y}) \quad (P_{2x}, P_{2y}) \quad (P_{3x}, P_{3y})$$

472 \pIIE@curveto\@ovro\@ovri\@clnwd\@clnht\@xdim\@ydim
473 \pIIE@strokeGraph
474 \endgroup}

```

`\pIIE@bezier@QtoC` Ancillary macro; saves us some tokens above.

Transformation: quadratic bezier parameters \rightarrow cubic bezier parameters.
(Missing: Reference for mathematical formula. Or is this trivial?)

```

475 \newcommand*\pIIE@bezier@QtoC[3]{%
476 \@tempdimc#1\relax \advance\@tempdimc-#2\relax
477 \divide\@tempdimc\thr@@ \advance\@tempdimc #2\relax
478 #3\@tempdimc}

```

3.10 Commands from other packages

3.10.1 Package `ebezier`

One feature from [3].

`\cbezier` #1, the maximum number of points to use, is simply ignored, as well as `\qbeziermax`.

`\@cbezier` Original head of the macro:

```

\pIIE@@cbezier \def\cbezier{\@ifnextchar [{\@cbezier}{\@cbezier[0]}}
Changed analogous to the LATEX kernel's \qbezier and \bezier:
479 \AtBeginDocument{\@ifundefined{cbezier}{\newcommand}{\renewcommand}*%
480 \cbezier[2][0]{\pIIE@@cbezier[#1]#2}%
481 \@ifdefinable\pIIE@@cbezier}%
482 \def\pIIE@@cbezier#1#2(#3)#4(#5)#6({\@cbezier#1)(#3)(#5){}%
483 \def\@cbezier[#1](#2,#3)(#4,#5)(#6,#7)(#8,#9){%
484 \pIIE@moveto{#2\unitlength}{#3\unitlength}%
485 \pIIE@curveto{#4\unitlength}{#5\unitlength}%
486 {#6\unitlength}{#7\unitlength}{#8\unitlength}{#9\unitlength}%
487 \pIIE@strokeGraph}%
488 }

```

3.10.2 Other packages

Other macros from various packages may be included in future versions of this package.

3.11 Mode ‘original’

Other branch of the big switch near the beginning of the code (see page 10).

```
489 \else
\oval   Gobble the new optional argument and continue with saved version. \maxovalrad is there to
\maxovalrad avoid error messages in case the user’s document redefines it with \renewcommand*. Likewise,
\OriginalPictureCmds is only needed for test documents.
490 \renewcommand*\oval[1][\pIIE@oldoval]
491 \newcommand*\maxovalrad{20pt}
492 \newcommand*\OriginalPictureCmds{}
493 \fi
494 \end{package}
```

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