

ecgdraw package*

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Abstract

This package was born to create fake elettrocardiograms, thanks to TikZpackage and L^AT_EX3 bundle.

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1 Introduction

To work correctly `ecgdraw` package are needed

- TikZpackage,
- L^AT_EX3 bundle.

2 Use

`ecg` The package defined `ecg` environment with a optional argument [*options*]

`\begin{ecg} [options] ECG path \end{ecg}`

where *options* are TikZ keys. Inside the environment it's possible to draw a ECG thanks the `\ECG` macro

`\ECG [TikZ options] (vertical position) {ECG waves}`

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The macro have an optional argument [*options*], that accepts Tikz options, an optional argument delimited by brace (*vertical position*), vertical position of the path, and a mandatory argument {*ECG waves*} which contain the list of ECG waves abbreviation.

Each abbreviation is made of different part:

$$\backslash\text{ECG} \{ [\langle\text{options}\rangle] \{ \langle\text{wave name}\rangle \} \langle\text{other}\rangle \}$$

options are given to the single wave, *wave name* is the abbreviation of the wave, while *other* depends on the types of wave.

2.1 Waves

Different wave types are possible:

- p** p wave needs *polarity* (allowed value **p**, **n**), wave height *tenths of millivolts* (between 0.1–0.3 mV) and time *milliseconds*.

$$\text{p} \langle\text{polarity}\rangle \text{0} \langle\text{tenths of millivolts}\rangle \langle\text{milliseconds}\rangle$$

Bifasich wave with **d** and **b** polarity is needed a second wave

$$\text{p} \langle\text{polarity}\rangle \langle\text{first tenths millivolts}\rangle \langle\text{second tenths millivolts}\rangle \langle\text{milliseconds}\rangle$$

- q,r,s** Waves for QRS complex. They take as first argument wave height in millivolts and as second argument the duration in milliseconds.

$$\text{q/r/s} \{ \langle\text{wave height Q/R/S}\rangle \} \langle\text{milliseconds}\rangle$$

- i** Isoelectric wave, take only one argument, which is time in *milliseconds*.

$$\text{i} \langle\text{milliseconds}\rangle$$

- t** First argument is *polarity*, positive **p** or negative **n**, second argument is *tenth of milliVolts*, as optional argument a correction if wave isn't symmetrical and last argument *milliseconds*.

$$\text{t} \langle\text{polarity}\rangle \langle\text{tenth of milliVolts}\rangle [\langle\text{correction}\rangle] \langle\text{milliseconds}\rangle$$

- !** Allow to use a wave defined through `\newECG` macro.

$$\text{!} \langle\text{wave name}\rangle$$

- ?** Insert a label left to the path. Optional argument (default value **1 cm**) set horizontal shift.

$$\text{?} [\langle\text{horizontal shift}\rangle] \langle\text{text}\rangle$$

2.2 Options

2.2.1 Grid

ecg environment accept different options to modify grid dimension.

grid top Accept a dimension as value. Grid is enlarged toward top of the set value.

grid bottom Similar to **grid top**, but grid is enlarged toward bottom.

`grid left` Similar to `grid top`, but grid is enlarged toward left.
`grid right` Similar to `grid top`, but grid is enlarged toward right.
`grid border` Set bottom, top, left and right with the same *value*.

2.3 Break ECG path

Sometimes ECG are too much wide and cannot fit the textwidth. So it's possible to allow L^AT_EX to break ECG using the `breaklines` key.

`breaklines` This key allow automate wrap ECG pattern. New line has an indent of `breakindent`
`breakindent` value (default 1 cm).

2.4 ECG title

`ECG title` It's possible to insert a ECG title by `ECG title` and set title align by `ECG title align`
`ECG title align` key (value `right`, `left`, `center`).

2.5 Wave database

`\newECG` macro add a custom wave

```
\newECG {wave name} {wave code}
```

It's possible to call *wave name* inside `\ECG` using the key `!`.