

# Todolist for PGFPlots

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## 1 Tests

ATTENTION: fix the buggy styles for axis lines=center in 3d

last test verifications:

	pgf CVS	pgf 2.10	pgf 2.00	pgf 2.00+compat=default
pgfplotstests	for 1.6	for 1.6	for 1.4	2009-12-30
manual	for 1.6	for 1.6	for 1.5	
pgfplotstable.pdf	for 1.6	for 1.6	for 1.5	
example latex	for 1.6	for 1.5	2009-12-30	
example context	for 1.6	for 1.5.1	2009-12-30	
example plain tex	for 1.6	for 1.5.1	2009-12-30	
tests context	for 1.6	for 1.5.1		

## 2 Documentation todo

pgfplotstodo.tex:84

**Documentation Todo** [open, Priority 5]

document installation requirements when using luatex (LUAINPUTS should contain pgfplots install dir)

pgfplotstodo.tex:173    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
bei dem Bsp-Tex zu pgfplotstable scheint eine Zeile im Tex-File zu fehlen:  
`\usepackage{pgfplotstable}`

Auerdem wre es zum Einstieg fr das aus der Datei lesen schn, wenn es zu den  
Daten auch ein kurzes Beispiel-File fr einen Plot gbe.

pgfplotstodo.tex:430    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
try a bar plot with individually shaded bars

FIXME : collect details

pgfplotstodo.tex:446    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
contour: a change label dist

pgfplotstodo.tex:479    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
document 'execute at begin axis' and its new variants

pgfplotstodo.tex:484    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
document how to plot against the coordindex

pgfplotstodo.tex:497    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
document how to identify the source of "dimension too large" errors:  
tracingstuff.

pgfplotstodo.tex:512    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
It seems as if the AMS command `$$\text{\ref{ref:to:a:plot}}$`  
instantiates the `\ref` at least four times. Document somehow that it is better  
to use `'\hbox'` instead

pgfplotstodo.tex:521    **Documentation Todo**    [open, Priority 5]  
clickable lib: I have the impression that acroread fires warnings only for the  
manual - not always when the clickable lib is used. Why!?

pgfplotstodo.tex:76

## Documentation Todo [closed, Priority 5]

layers:

1. ✓motivation and use-cases
2. ✓simple example
3. ✓multi-axis discussion
4. ✓tikz integration
5. ✓explain how to merge custom layers and pgfplots layers (and say that pgfplots overwrites layers of tikz)
6. ✓specialties: defining own layer sets
7. ✓limitations: show list of supported anchors and explain implications of cell picture

the clipping of marker paths should always be active - but at least for layered graphics. It also needs a better UI

TODO:

- implement 'clip mode=individual' for axis paths  
FIXME : is there are good reason why `clip mode=global` is a bad choice for the default!?  
Perhaps the layered graphics feature can be shipped in a first version – with `clip mode=global`. It is simpler anyway.
- ✓document 'mark layer'

pgfplotstodo.tex:80

## Documentation Todo [closed, Priority 5]

document benefits of using lualatex (memory limits)

pgfplotstodo.tex:104

## Documentation Todo [closed, Priority 5]

pgfplotstable: document that

```
\pgfplotstabletypeset[
  typeset cell/.append code={%
\ifnum\pgfplotstablerow<0
\pgfkeyssetvalue{/pgfplots/table/@cell content}{}%
\fi
},
outfile={table},
```

```

header=false,
columns/0/.style={string type,column type=r},
columns/1/.style={string type,column type=l},
columns/2/.style={string type,column type=l}
]

```

can be used to eliminate the displayed header line.

pgfplotstodo.tex:108    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
|smithchartmirrored— is undocumented! see [https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060657&aid=3486928&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060657&aid=3486928&group_id=224188)

pgfplotstodo.tex:112    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document that `axis lines=none` is essentially an alias for `hide axis`.

pgfplotstodo.tex:154    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
Document how to use decorations inside of plots

```

\begin{tikzpicture}[]

\begin{axis}[axis lines=middle,
  xmin=-2,
  xmax=2,
  ymin=-2,
  ymax=2,
  xtick={-1,1},
  ytick={-1,1},
  yticklabel=\ ,% this disables the standard tick label *text* (but not the line)
  extra description/.code={
    % this generates custom y labels to implement individual
    % styles for every tick:
    \node[below left] at (axis cs:0,-1) {$-1$};
    \node[above left] at (axis cs:0,1) {$1$};
  },
  axis line style={->},
]%,x=1cm,y=1cm]
\addplot[samples=100,domain=0:2*pi,
  % tedious, but necessary: pgfplots accidentally resets the
  % "decorate" option at the beginning of the path (probably a
  % bug).
  % This is a work-around:
  every path/.style={
    postaction={decorate},
    every path/.style={},

```

```

    },
    decoration={markings,
        mark=at position 0.25 with {\arrow{>}},
        mark=at position 0.5 with {\arrow{>}},
        mark=at position 0.75 with {\arrow{>}}}
    ]
    ({sin(deg(2*x))}, {sin(deg(x))});
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:161 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
document some FAQ for number formatting options.

This should contain how to get non-exponential number printing for log axes

pgfplotstodo.tex:165 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
|\pgfplotspointplotattime|.

pgfplotstodo.tex:177 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
document the possibiliy of skewed 3d axes by means of manually provided unit vectors

pgfplotstodo.tex:194 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
the \addplot table from is still supported – document a footnote about the “from” keyword.

```

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}
% All these things are valid:
\pgfplotstableread{data-set-two.txt}\datatable
\addplot table[y = c] {\datatable} ;
\addplot table[y = d] \datatable ;
\addplot table[y = a] from \datatable ;
\addplot table[y = b] from {\datatable} ;
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:200 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
contour: documentation is missing in large parts.

mentioning of point meta is missing .

pgfplotstodo.tex:204    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

document the new 'data cs' feature

pgfplotstodo.tex:210    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

Document how to make mesh plots with (white) filled cells (see matlabs mesh function).

Should be the same as surf with faceted color=white.

pgfplotstodo.tex:214    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

Document `scale` mode and other plot graphics related fine tunings

pgfplotstodo.tex:240    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

improve docs for `\pgfplotsforeachungrouped`:

```
\pgfplotsforeachungrouped \i/\j in {
    1 / a,
    2 / b,
    3 / c
}{
\edef\temp{\noexpand\node at (axis cs: \i,0.5) {\j}};
% \show\temp % zum verstaendnis, was als resultat dann in \temp steht
\temp
}
```

```
\pgfplotsforeachungrouped \i/\j in {
    1 / a,
    2 / b,
    3 / c
}{
I = \i, J = \j;
}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:244    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

mention `xtick=data` in docs for `symbolic x coords`

pgfplotstodo.tex:398    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]

provide more examples and more detailed docs for `xbar` and `ybar` plot handlers

docs: Wie gehabt, die Groesse, Aufloesung und die Zuordnung der Axen etwas detaillierter zu beschreiben waere so mein Tip

Example files: [\[see bugtracker/minimal\\_0.pdf\]](#)

```
\documentclass[a4paper]{report}
\usepackage{pgfplots}

\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3}
\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[
    xbar,
    width=12cm,
    height=3.5cm,
    enlarge y limits=0.5,
    xlabel={\#participants},
    xmin=0,
    symbolic y coords={no,yes},
    ytick=data,
    nodes near coords,
    nodes near coords align={horizontal},
  ]
    \addplot coordinates {(3,no) (7,yes)};
  \end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[
    xbar,
    width=12cm,
    height=3.5cm,
    enlarge y limits=0.5,
    xlabel={\#participants},
    symbolic y coords={no,yes},
    ytick=data,
    nodes near coords,
    nodes near coords align={horizontal},
  ]
    \addplot coordinates {(1,no) (9,yes)};
  \end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[
    xbar,
    width=12cm,
    height=3.5cm,
    enlarge y limits=0.5,
    xlabel={\#participants},
    xmin=0,
    symbolic y coords={set A,set B},
    ytick=data,
    nodes near coords,
    nodes near coords align={horizontal},
  ]
    \addplot coordinates {(6,set A) (4,set B)};
  \end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[
```

```

ybar,
enlargelimits=0.15,
xlabel={\# of bananas},
ylabel={\#participants},
ytick={0,1,2,3},
ymin=0,
symbolic x coords={1,2,3,4,5,more},
nodes near coords,
]
\addplot coordinates {(1,1) (2,1) (3,3) (4,2) (5,1) (more,2)};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
ybar stacked,
enlargelimits=0.15,
legend style={at={(0.5,-0.20)},
anchor=north,legend columns=-1},
ylabel={\#participants},
symbolic x coords={tool1, tool2, tool3, tool4, tool5, tool6, tool7},
xtick=data,
x tick label style={rotate=45,anchor=east},
]
\addplot+[ybar] plot coordinates {(tool1,0) (tool2,2) (tool3,2) (tool4,3) (tool5,0) (tool6,2) (tool7,0)}; %
\addplot+[ybar] plot coordinates {(tool1,0) (tool2,0) (tool3,0) (tool4,3) (tool5,1) (tool6,1) (tool7,0)}; %
\addplot+[ybar] plot coordinates {(tool1,6) (tool2,6) (tool3,8) (tool4,2) (tool5,6) (tool6,5) (tool7,6)}; %
\addplot+[ybar] plot coordinates {(tool1,4) (tool2,2) (tool3,0) (tool4,2) (tool5,3) (tool6,2) (tool7,4)}; %
\legend{never, rarely, sometimes, often}
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
ybar,
enlargelimits=0.15,
legend style={at={(0.5,-0.15)},
anchor=north,legend columns=-1},
ylabel={\#participants},
symbolic x coords={tool8,tool9,tool10},
xtick=data,
nodes near coords,
nodes near coords align={vertical},
]
\addplot coordinates {(tool8,7) (tool9,9) (tool10,4)};
\addplot coordinates {(tool8,4) (tool9,4) (tool10,4)};
\addplot coordinates {(tool8,1) (tool9,1) (tool10,1)};
\legend{used,understood,not understood}
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
ybar,
enlargelimits=0.15,
legend style={at={(0.5,-0.2)},
anchor=north,legend columns=-1},
ylabel={\#participants},
symbolic x coords={excellent,good,neutral,not good,poor},
xtick=data,
nodes near coords,
nodes near coords align={vertical},

```



```

x tick label style={rotate=45,anchor=east},
]
\addplot coordinates {(excellent,0) (good,8) (neutral,2) (not good,0) (poor,0)};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
ybar,
enlargelimits=0.15,
legend style={at={(0.5,-0.2)},
anchor=north,legend columns=-1},
ylabel={\#participants},
symbolic x coords={excellent,good,neutral,not good,poor},
xtick=data,
nodes near coords,
nodes near coords align={vertical},
x tick label style={rotate=45,anchor=east},
]
\addplot coordinates { (excellent,0) (good,7) (neutral,3) (not good,0) (poor,0)};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}

```

- pgfplotstodo.tex:403 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
release notes: mention improvements of 'shader=interp'
- pgfplotstodo.tex:407 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
There is a typo on section 4.5.12: "As for for dimensional patch plots "
- pgfplotstodo.tex:412 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
quiver: the tests have a further pretty example where quiver is on top of a surf, attached to  $z = 2$  or so.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:416 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
document 'shader=faceted interp'
- pgfplotstodo.tex:420 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
document 'mesh/type'
- pgfplotstodo.tex:424 **Documentation Todo** [closed, Priority 5]  
document the 'plot graphics/points' feature.

pgfplotstodo.tex:434    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document 'contour prepared', 'contour external' and 'contour gnuplot'.

pgfplotstodo.tex:438    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
contour external: Do not forget the `\", \'` etc special handling .

pgfplotstodo.tex:442    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
contour: document 'labels over line' style

pgfplotstodo.tex:450    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
contour: document the special handling of "point meta".

pgfplotstodo.tex:458    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
clickable: document 'popup size' and its variants document 'clickable coords size' document 'richtext' and the formatting things document `\n` and friends

pgfplotstodo.tex:463    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document ternary lib + do not forget 'cartesian cs' and its applications

pgfplotstodo.tex:467    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document `frac` whole format

pgfplotstodo.tex:471    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document `/pgfplots/empty` line

pgfplotstodo.tex:475    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document 'clickable coords' and 'clickable coords code' features

pgfplotstodo.tex:488    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document the new 'getcolumnbyname=create col/....' feature

pgfplotstodo.tex:492    **Documentation Todo**    [closed, Priority 5]  
document linear regression

pgfplotstodo.tex:502   **Documentation Todo**   [closed, Priority 5]  
document how to fix dimension too large problems: restrict to domain for example

pgfplotstodo.tex:506   **Documentation Todo**   [closed, Priority 5]  
colorbar styles are not consistent between docs and code

pgfplotstodo.tex:516   **Documentation Todo**   [closed, Priority 5]  
pgfplotstable: show how to use `\begin{longtable}`

### 3   Bugs/Features in PGF/TikZ

pgfplotstodo.tex:553   **pgfbug**   [open, Priority 5]  
When reading the manual v2.0 I found a typo 5.1 "Styling the nodes". Just after the first block of code, there is a sentence saying "... can achieve them. Once way is to use ..." which should be "One way is to use ..."

pgfplotstodo.tex:557   **pgfbug**   [open, Priority 5]  
Beamer + pgf: the default template introduces a white line on top. Interestingly, it happens only for PGF CVS + beamer, but it appears to be dependent on third-party tools as well (see mail conversation with Stefan Tibus)

pgfplotstodo.tex:579   **pgfbug**   [open, Priority 5]  
When using externalize function together with a transform canvas, the result is somehow cropped. See this example, compare output with deactivated and activated externalize.

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{tikz}
\usetikzlibrary{external}
\tikzexternalize % activate!
\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}[transform canvas={scale=0.7}]
\node {root}
child {node {left}}
child {node {right}}
child {node {child}}
child {node {child}}
};
```

```

\end{tikzpicture}
A simple image is \tikz \fill (1,0) circle(5pt);.
\end{document}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:636

**pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]

pgf users Vol 50 issue 6:

Hi,

Thanks for TikZ. I'm trying to use the externalization library with the class file gOMS2e.cls, which is provided for the journal Optimization Methods and Software. The class file and related files/documentation can be found here:

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/authors/gomslatex.zip>

My problem is that the externalized figures are shifted up and to the left significantly, cutting them off. This problem does not occur when not using externalization.

This seems to be related to the problem discussed here:

[http://sourceforge.net/tracker/index.php?func=detail&aid=3037831&group\\_id=142562&atid=7527](http://sourceforge.net/tracker/index.php?func=detail&aid=3037831&group_id=142562&atid=7527)

and may also be related to this one:

[http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?thread\\_name=4C0F342B.5040008%40ins.uni-bonn.d](http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?thread_name=4C0F342B.5040008%40ins.uni-bonn.d)

In the other cases, the solution was to use \tikzifexternalizing for whatever conflicts with the externalization, but it seems that I can't do this when my class file is the offending bit. Is this true? I would really like to be able to use the correct \documentclass to generate the figures so that the size/fonts/etc. are consistent throughout the resulting document.

A minimal test example is included at the end of this message. It appears that the image is shifted ~1.25cm to the left and ~0.8cm up.

The problem goes away when using \documentclass{article}.

I'm using the CVS version of pgf, and I get the same result when I produce postscript figures by using latex and setting

```

\tikzset{external/system call={
  latex \tikzexternalcheckshellescape -halt-on-error
-interaction=batchmode -jobname "\image" "\texsource";
  dvips -o "\image".ps "\image".dvi}}

```

```

%-----
\documentclass[printer]{gOMS2e}
\usepackage{tikz}
\usetikzlibrary{external}
\tikzexternalize
\begin{document}
\begin{center}

```

```

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \draw[step=.5cm] (-3,-3) grid (3,3);
  \draw[blue,line width=2mm] (-0.5,-3) -- (-0.5,1.2) -- (3,1.2);
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{center}
\end{document}
%-----

```

Any help would be appreciated; I'm afraid it's over my head at this point.  
Thanks!

pgfplotstodo.tex:674

**pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]

```

\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{german}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc} % erlaubt direkte Nutzung von Umlauten

\usepackage{pgfplots} % fuer plots

\usepackage{pgfplotstable} % fuer numeriktabellen
\usepackage{array,colortbl,booktabs}
\usetikzlibrary{external}
\tikzexternalize[force remake]

% DOESN'T WORK. Needs to disable externalization
\usepackage{vmargin}
\setpapersize{A4}
\setmarginsrb{2.5cm}{1cm}{2cm}{2cm}{8mm}{15mm}{5mm}{15mm}

\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
%\tracingmacros=2 \tracingcommands=2
\begin{axis}
\addplot {x};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:694

**pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]

external bug:

```

\documentclass[
  pagesize=auto, % 1
]{scrbook}

```

```

\usepackage{tikz}
\usetikzlibrary{external}
\tikzexternalize
\begin{document}
\KOMAAoption{twoside}{semi} % 2
test
\tikz \draw (0,0) circle (3pt);
\end{document}

```

- pgfplotstodo.tex:701 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
consider a matrix style which applies only to the outer matrix node style (see  
feature request  
[https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060657&aid=3019259&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060657&aid=3019259&group_id=224188)  
)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:705 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
make assignments to `\pgf@x` and `\pgf@y` always `\global`
- pgfplotstodo.tex:709 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
implement `\pgfmathfloattocount`
- pgfplotstodo.tex:763 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
the fpu can't be used inside of paths. That should be fixed. ~> the problem is  
that paths may use `\pgfmath...` routines directly. ~> this should work! At  
least with the public math macros `\pgfmathadd`. The `\pgfmathadd@` might be  
implemented differently.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:783 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
fix landscape bug (pdfscape) in external lib (PGF)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:792 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
pack the default 'system call' for dvips etc into drivers!
- pgfplotstodo.tex:796 **pgfbug** [open, Priority 5]  
active '—' characters result in compilation bugs (`\usepackage{program}`)

pgfplotstodo.tex:800    **pgfbug**    [open, Priority 5]  
                          'text height=1em' realisieren mit [node font units]1em

pgfplotstodo.tex:544    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          number printer: apply `set thousands separator={\cdot}` also to fractional  
                          parts: [[see bugtracker/minimal\\_1.pdf](#)]  
                          `\documentclass{article}`  
                              `\usepackage{pgf}`  
                              `\pgfset{/pgf/number format/.cd,`  
                                  `set thousands separator={{\cdot}}},`  
                                  `precision=5,`  
                              `}`  
                          `\begin{document}`  
                              `\pgfmthprintnumber{12345.54321} \par`  
                              `$12 \cdot 2345.543 \cdot 21$ expected \par`  
                          `\end{document}`

pgfplotstodo.tex:645    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          `|\pgfmthdivide@{-0.8}{1.00002}\pgfmthresult|yields`  
                            
                          -0.8  
                            
                          instead of -0.8

pgfplotstodo.tex:677    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          Implement support for space trimming and empty entries in `\usetikzlibrary`  
                          and its variants

pgfplotstodo.tex:714    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          external lib: think whether it is possible to provide the real jobname without  
                          explicit user input. Idea: transport it as TeX code argument to pdflatex

pgfplotstodo.tex:718    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          provide 'x' or more general formatting rules to number printer

pgfplotstodo.tex:722    **pgfbug**    [closed, Priority 5]  
                          code 2 args doesn't work correctly with spaces between the arguments!?

pgfplotstodo.tex:727 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
external lib: implement `\tikzpicturedependsonfile#1`

pgfplotstodo.tex:732 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
in pgfplots: invoke `\tikzpicturedependsonfile`. perhaps the  
plot-from-table-struct should also use it.

pgfplotstodo.tex:736 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
external lib: 'list and make' does not work together with `\include` (aux files!)  
or other file writing things – at least not if one tries to do that in parallel.

pgfplotstodo.tex:740 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
consider the "plot function" patch from Andy Schlaikjer

pgfplotstodo.tex:744 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
it seems fadings don't work correctly with externalization!?

pgfplotstodo.tex:748 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
include addition of Christophe Jorssen for MD5 checksums in external lib

pgfplotstodo.tex:752 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
write new sub-package 'pgfmanual.sty' which contains a good user interface to  
the manual styles, environments and all that.

pgfplotstodo.tex:756 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
external lib: catcode changes inside of pictures do not work properly.

pgfplotstodo.tex:768 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
in the manual, the first two arguments of  
`pgfqkeysactivatesinglefamilyandfilteroptions` were inverted.

pgfplotstodo.tex:772 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
some predefined filters do not process unknown options correctly



pgfplotstodo.tex:779 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
external lib in pgf: think whether 'empty image extension' is a bug or a feature. ~→ feature of `\pgfimage`! Otherwise it wouldn't be possible to provide an extension! ~→ bug for external lib which never uses extensions!

pgfplotstodo.tex:788 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
the pgf math parser has wrong precedence for '-' prefix op: `exp(-x^2)` is wrong.

pgfplotstodo.tex:806 **pgfbug** [closed, Priority 5]  
compatibility code todo: - the example for plot graphics (with `view=090`) doesn't work. ~→ that's the '`exp(0-x^2)`' bug which is still in pgf 2.00!

## 4 Bugs in PGFPlots

pgfplotstodo.tex:1435 **Bug** [open, Priority 10]  
providing `ymin=0` for a logarithmic axes has no effect; and there is no sanity checking

pgfplotstodo.tex:1758 **Bug** [open, Priority 9]  
french babel and colorbars are not fully compatible. The problem is that colorbars use '`\addplot graphics ;`' with a fixed catcode for the ';' – which might lead to problems.

pgfplotstodo.tex:819 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
new layered graphics stuff: the style changes of the layer config are read too later; it is impossible to overwrite them within the same axis (for example using `set layers,tick style={on layer=...}`)

pgfplotstodo.tex:827 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
improper alignment of x tick labels which have different baselines or different heights.

Idea: introduce `\strut`

[https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&aid=3516368&group\\_id=224188&atid=1060656](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&aid=3516368&group_id=224188&atid=1060656)

pgfplotsstodo.tex:843

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
x tick scale label for style `tiny` has an unsuitable shift

pgfplotsstodo.tex:849

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
the3d clip path is sometimes bad: perhaps it should be the bounding box instead!?

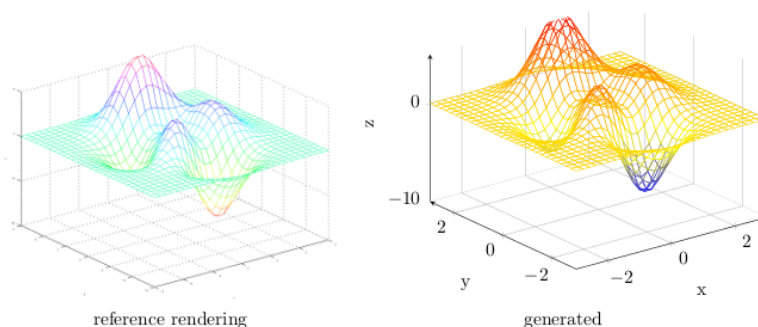


Figure 44: Mesh plot. `meshPlot`

pgfplotsstodo.tex:853

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
Internal coordmath framework: it is not used everywhere

pgfplotsstodo.tex:871

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
stacked plots + log basis y + log does not work. [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_2.pdf](#)]

```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[ymode=log
    , ybar stacked
    , log basis y=10
    ]
    \addplot coordinates {(0,1e5)};
    \addplot coordinates {(0,9e5)};
  \end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

The problem is documented as FIXME in `pgfplotsstackedplots.code.tex`

suggested fix: refactor the log and exp methods: always provide the requested basis explicitly, and provide some ‘prepare log basis’ method to improve performance. Do not attach the log basis to the coord math.

- `pgfplotstodo.tex:877` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
`|lognumber` format code— is a global variable and cannot be set for individual axes.  
 This applies to `log ticks with fixed point` as well.
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:881` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
 One cannot manually load a table inside of a pgfplots axis if it contains empty lines: the scanline callback is active
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:885` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
`|ybarlegend`— does not contain `ybar` (sourceforge 3482770)
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:889` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
`|refstyle|` does only include partial information of the reference style. (sourceforge 3482770)
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:895` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
 Using square brackets as first char inside of `\legend` leads to a failure: `\legend{[\ion{Ne}{2}],...}`.  
 Cause: the `\legend` command does not properly insert `[]` in front of every entry (as it ought to).
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:901` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
 Adding `error bars/.cd` to `\addplot` options causes the `\ref` image to fail.  
 The problem is the key filtering apparently: it discards the `/pgfplots/.cd` but leaves the `error bars/.cd`.
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:905` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
 quiver plots: the clip path does not respect arrow paths
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:934` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
 The default label placement for axis lines=`center` in 3d appears to be wrong

```

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
  axis lines=center,
  axis on top,
  xlabel={\mathit{x}}, ylabel={\mathit{y}}, zlabel={\mathit{z}},
  domain=0:1,
  y domain=0:2*pi,
  xmin=-1.5, xmax=1.5,
  ymin=-1.5, ymax=1.5, zmin=0.0,
  mesh/interior colormap=
    {blueblack}{color=(black) color=(blue)},
  colormap/blackwhite,
  samples=10,
  samples y=40,
  z buffer=sort,
]
\addplot3[surf]
  ({x*cos(deg(y))},{x*sin(deg(y))},{x});
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

```

Potential fixes: (a) redefine `right of origin` and its friends for 3d; (b) do not use the `right of origin` things, prefer `rel axis cs=1,0.5,0.5`. Problem: `rel axis cs` must know where the fractions to find the origin (keep in mind that a `rel axis` value of 0 means “lower end”). Perhaps some “constant” value should expand to the fraction for zero?

pgfplotsstodo.tex:959

### Bug [open, Priority 5]

Alignment bug: `axis x line=middle` combined with a `yshift` shifts the `xlabel` incorrectly: [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_3.pdf](#)]

```

\documentclass{report}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3}

\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \draw (0,0) circle (5pt);
  \begin{scope}[yshift=-3cm]
    \begin{axis}[width=10cm,height=3cm,xlabel={\mathit{x}},
      axis x line = middle]
      \addplot coordinates {
        (0,1) (1,-1) (2,1)
      };
    \end{axis}
  \end{scope}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}

```

Using `xlabel style = {yshift=3cm}` in the plot will correctly position the `x` label (to its default position).

pgfplotstodo.tex:1000

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]

Using `hide axis` or `axis lines=none` causes the axis to vanish – but it will still consume space in the bounding box!

A work-around for the user who reported the bug was to use `clip=false`:

[see [bugtracker/minimal\\_4.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\pgfplotsset{compat=1.4}
\begin{document}

\begin{figure}
\centering
\fbbox{%
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[axis equal,scale=2,axis lines=none,clip=false]
\addplot3[surf,samples=9,domain=-1:1,y domain=0:2*pi,z buffer=sort,opacity=0.75]
({cos(deg(y)) * (1 + x/2 * cos(deg(y)/2))},
{sin(deg(y)) * (1 + x/2 * cos(deg(y)/2))},
{x/2 * sin(deg(y)/2)});
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}}
\caption{M"obiusband}
\end{figure}

\end{document}
```

Interestingly, this does NOT work for 1d plots... here is what I found out today:

- excluding the clip path helps for the example above.
- it has no effect for 1d plots (2d axis)
- excluding the background path instruction from the low level node causes the bounding box to be empty – for both 2d and 3d

See `unittest_hideaxis*`.

Seems to be better now (with the axis equal scaling fix)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1012

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]

disable tick scale label if the ticks have been disabled.

[https://sourceforge.net/tracker/index.php?func=detail&aid=3457210&group\\_id=224188&atid=106](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/index.php?func=detail&aid=3457210&group_id=224188&atid=106)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1024 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
xbar and nodes near coords does not automatically align the nodes, see  
<http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/31701/pgfplots-nodes-near-coords-on-xbar-chart-is-o>

pgfplotstodo.tex:1036 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
cannot provide clip path usage in pgfplots commands because of the nested  
scopes.  
  
to reproduce, try to give `\addplot+[/tikz/clip]` to some plot.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1040 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
3d: automatic label placement for 'axis lines=center' is buggy

pgfplotstodo.tex:1044 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
`|\pgfplotsforeachungrouped|` cannot be combined with three or more  
arguments like `\foreach`

pgfplotstodo.tex:1143 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
the below example of a latex file gives the following error upon the 2nd run of  
latex. The first run works fine. This happens both when running `dvilualatex`  
and just `latex`, both from TeXLive 2011.  
  
The error:  
  

```

...
(/usr/local/texlive/2011/texmf-dist/tex/generic/tex4ht/color.4ht)
(/usr/local/texlive/2011/texmf-dist/tex/generic/tex4ht/html4.4ht)
(/usr/local/texlive/2011/texmf-dist/tex/generic/tex4ht/html4-math.4ht)
(./epub.aux)
! Missing \endcsname inserted.
<to be read again>
               \protect
1.30 \ref{govconsumptionlegend}

?

\makeatletter

\def\HCode{\futurelet\HCode\HChar}\def\HChar{\ifx"\HCode\def\HCode"##1"{\Link##1}\expandafter

\makeatother

```

```

\HCode "xhtml,png,charset=utf-8".a.b.c.

\documentclass[11pt,a4paper]{book}

\def\pgfsysdriver{pgfsys-tex4ht.def}
\usepackage{pgfplots}

\pgfplotsset{width=\textwidth,compat=1.3,every axis/.append style={font=\footnotesize},cyc

\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}

\begin{axis}[ylabel=\%,x tick label style={ /pgf/number format/1000 sep=},ymin=0,xmin=1950
\addplot[smooth,solid] coordinates {
(1950,12.98732304) (1951,11.18937899) (1952,10.63447043) (1953,11.25741618) (1954,11.35201
};
\addlegendentry{Country 1}
\addplot[smooth,dotted] coordinates {
(1950,8.90574995) (1951,9.181850378) (1952,9.4040808) (1953,9.790597533) (1954,9.766571438
};
\addlegendentry{Country 2}
\end{axis}\end{tikzpicture}

\ref{govconsumptionlegend}

\end{document}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1392

**Bug** [open, Priority 5]

<http://groups.google.at/group/comp.text.tex/msg/adcb1d071c2cba40>

If I use a yshift in a scope to draw two graphs superimposed, the x label in the second plot (the one in the yshift scope) is not positioned correctly. I need to manually add another yshift, with the same value in the opposite direction, to get the label at the correct place. This happens if the `axis x line = middle` option is used. Without that option, the x label is positioned correctly.

Example follows: [\[see bugtracker/minimal\\_5.pdf\]](#)

```

\documentclass{article}

\usepackage{pgfplots}

\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3}

\begin{document}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[width=10cm,height=3cm,xlabel={\$x\$}]
\addplot coordinates {
(0,1) (1,-1) (2,1)
};

```

```

\end{axis}
\begin{scope}[yshift=-3cm]
\begin{axis}[width=10cm,height=3cm,xlabel={\mathbf{x}},
axis x line = middle]
\addplot coordinates {
(0,1) (1,-1) (2,1)
};
\end{axis}
\end{scope}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}

```

Using `xlabel style = {yshift=3cm}` in the second plot will correctly position the x label (to its default position).

Gab

- pgfplotstodo.tex:1568 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
after using a preset key (milli) with x SI prefix, Next, I want to switch to the normal mode, so I write simply: `x SI prefix=none`, unfortunately the 'none' value is undefined and the compilation can not proceed
- pgfplotstodo.tex:1630 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
external lib + dvi/ps + windows: it seems the ';' doesn't work; use '&' to separate commands
- pgfplotstodo.tex:1634 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
check y tick scale label for 2nd y axis
- pgfplotstodo.tex:1651 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
groupplots + extra braces or foreach are incompatible.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:1655 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
numplotsper type and forget plot and ybar interval yields errors.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:1661 **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
expression plotting and empty 'y' results in errors. Perhaps it would be better to handle that explicitly somehow? (occurs for hist when one input line is empty)



pgfplotstodo.tex:1665	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>view normal vector does not correctly respect plot box ratio and x dir</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1675	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>clickable and Windows Acrobat Reader 9 has been reported to fail</p> <p>it this still active?</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1681	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>/pgfplots/samples at and /tikz/samples at work on the same axe. Tantau says that this key support foreach statement and thus the dots notation. However, when I want to use two or more different dots notation within pgfplots, latex crashes ! Here is an example which clarify this issue :</p> <pre>\addplot+[mark=none,variable={\t}, samples at = {\foreach \x in {0,10,...,180,200,...340}</pre>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1691	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>groupplots: mixing 2d/3d in one groupplot doesn't reset 'zmin,zmax' ?</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1705	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>multiple ordinates: grid lines are drawn on top of function plots; that's bad. Check: I think you have to change the process line previously invoked, and make the axes generation at the end : 1. generating adequate grid <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> 2. plotting functions <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> 3. creating axes, tick nodes... You can take a minute look at figure 1 @ "The addplot Command: Coordinate Input" section 4.2 p 19. and you can remark that colour filling overlaps x- and y-axis ! So I suggest that you use "excute at end picture=jaxis generation code;" tikz option or similar to avoid this issue.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1709	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>3D axes: it is difficult to get an 1:1 correspondence to tikz.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1725	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>3D axis: provide support for manual axis configuration, - depth (n vector), - foreground/background, - tick label axes, - ...</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1730	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>Patch plots: directly transform cdata. Should simplify interpolation during refine/triangulation etc. and shouldn't make a difference otherwise.</p>

pgfplotstodo.tex:1752	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>plot graphics: <code>\ref</code> legend doesn't work properly</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1764	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>markers should not be drawn on top of everything else. Always restore the clipping region for each plot.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1773	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>ternary axes: the 'marker clipping' doesn't work (naturally)</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1783	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>polar axes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ✓ is wrong since 'near ticklabel' anchor uses pointunitx which is not correctly initialised for polar axes.</li> <li>• axis equal</li> <li>• ✓ data scaling needs to be disabled for X axis.</li> <li>• ✓ auto tick labels work only for the case of disabledatascaling</li> </ul>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1788	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>contour: the table/meta=2 default is wrong.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1801	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>dimension too large sanity checking: TeX uses the maximum value instead. Perhaps that can be checked?</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1812	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>provide remark at end document "Package pgfplots: consider using the preamble command <code>\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3}</code> to improve label placement"</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1817	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>there are a lot of .code 2 args styles which do not support spaces between their arguments. Fix this.</p>

- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1823` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
contour external should allow different variations how to deal with end-of-scanline markers. gnuplot requires empty lines; matlab doesn't deal with them as far as I know.
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1837` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
the quiver/scale arrows thing might need an "auto" option. If I don't add it now, it'll probably never work in the future.
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1842` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
'1.23456e4;' in a log plot resulted in hard-to-read error messages. Improve sanity checking here.
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1858` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
avoid dimension too large errors which occur due to a data range restrictions. Example: data range = 0:6000 view range = 0:1  $\rightsquigarrow$  results in error. But that's easy to detect! Just compute the point coordinate in float (after the scaling is complete). Then, install a filter somewhere. perhaps an "a posteriori" filter in the pointxyz command?
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1872` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
`|yticklabels={<list>},extra y ticks=...` is incompatible since the extra ticks share the same tick typesetting routine (which, in turn, queries the `|listi`).
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1886` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
The 'text depth' in legend entries is incompatible with 'text width'. The problem: text width is realized using `\begin{minipage}[t]` so its contents is all in the depth. Setting text depths overrides the height!
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1896` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
one can't provide 'disable log filter' to `addplot` (but it might be interesting)
- `pgfplotstodo.tex:1900` **Bug** [open, Priority 5]  
FPU: atan doesn't check for unbounded inputs.

<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1905</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>unbounded inputs: improve warning messages: they should not contain low level FPU args.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1911</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>the user interface to set <code>'tickwidth=0'</code> for a SINGLE axis is not very good: it seems one needs <code>'xtick style=/pgfplots/tickwidth=0'</code> to do so... <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> can be solved if tickwidth has a family, I guess. Something like <code>'draw'</code> which will not be pulled by pgfplots. But then remains a problem of key paths.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1919</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>I have seen that <code>'plot table'</code> with very large files can produce pool size problems – even if the coordinates are all filtered away. In other words: the code can't simply read a file and throw its contents away. The problem appears to be some math parsing using the <code>table/x</code> expr and friends. <code>'pool size = names of control sequences and file name'</code> <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> the math parser could be improved with <code>ifcsname</code></p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1923</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>axis lines and 3D: some tick lines are not drawn, see manual examples</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1934</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>providing <code>zmin/xmax</code> to an axis activates 3D mode, ok – but lower dimensional input routines appear to fail.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1938</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>one can't provide <code>'scale'</code> as argument to a (3d) axis</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1947</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>it may still happen that log-axes get only <code>*one*</code> tick label (in my case <code>10^{-0.2}</code>). That should never happen. The range is about <code>ymin=4.7e-1</code>, <code>ymin=9.5e-1</code></p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1951</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>log samples in plot expression for 3D plots</p>

<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1955</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] different log bases and gnuplot</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1969</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] I tried placing a named coordinate inside one axis and using it in another. It failed.</p> <p>CF: The axis is drawn inside of its own picture which will only be shifted if everything has been drawn. That will be the origin of this problem I guess</p> <p>Miraculously I can use the coordinate outside axis env. So I have reached the following solution:</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1975</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] plot coordinates doesn't check too well if 1. addplot3 is used but only two coords are given 2. addplot is given but three coordinates are provided (also for plot expression)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1988</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] the compat things are not yet complete: I wanted to check when it is really necessary (for example if 'x dir' is used)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1993</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] the nodes near coords feature produces unexpected results when used together with markers <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> this is due to the default configuration of scatter plots.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2004</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] the ybar style won't be set inside of <code>\label{}</code></p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2009</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] axis equal for semilog plots is not correct (?)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2017</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5] backwards compatibility problem: axis descriptions can't contain <code>/pgfplots/</code> styles any longer! This is a key path issue :-(</p>

pgfplotstodo.tex:2022    **Bug**    [open, Priority 5]  
 BUG: in empty axes, 'xtick=\empty' is ignored.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2039    **Bug**    [open, Priority 5]  
 The automatic tick labeling sometimes produces inconsistent or confusing labels: 1. engineering and fixed number style are mixed up. 2. If range of an axis is so small that the labels differ only on the third decimal, still only two decimals are used.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2052    **Bug**    [open, Priority 5]  
 3D: error bars and stacked plots need to be updated.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2060    **Bug**    [open, Priority 5]  
 interp shader is displayed transparently in evince

pgfplotstodo.tex:2087    **Bug**    [open, Priority 5]  
  
 3D: the use of `\addplot3` and `\addplot` is not sanitized properly  
 Possibilities:  
 - used `\addplot` when `\addplot3` should have been used  
 - used `\addplot3` where `\addplot` should have been used.  
 What can happen here!? Shouldn't this work in every case?  
  
 - The "xtick" value is not applied unless there is a coordinate in the x range:  
 $\$ \leadsto \$$  that's the handling of empty figures...  
 not working:  
`\begin{axis}[xtick=0]`  
`\end{axis}`  
 not working:  
`\begin{axis}[xmin=-5,xmax=5,xtick=0]`  
`\end{axis}`  
 not working:  
`\begin{axis}[xmin=-5,xmax=5,xtick=0]`  
`\addplot coordinates { (-10, 0) };`  
`\end{axis}`  
 working:  
`\begin{axis}[xmin=-5,xmax=5,xtick=0]`  
`\addplot coordinates { (0, 0) };`  
`\end{axis}`

pgfplotstodo.tex:2092	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>think about basic level commands for the axis lines – this should also allow !</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2125	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>In 3D case axis [xyz] line != box, there is just ONE hyperplane. My implementation works only if either ALL are box or ALL are 'middle'.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2135	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>3D case : tick/grid lines are on top of the axis lines. This leads to poor quality.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2158	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>javascript stuff does not work if the complete figure is rotated (sidewaysfigure).</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2173	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>javascript: incompatibility with external library: 1. filenames: <code>\jobname</code> contains characters with incompatible catcodes and that funny <code>insdljs</code> package tries to assemble macros with these characters. <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> fixed; I simply use <code>pgfplotsJS</code> as temporary file name. 2. the images as such have corrupted forms <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> Can be fixed if <code>\usepackage{eforms}</code> is used BEFORE loading <code>pgf</code>. The reason: <code>\begin{Form}</code> and the shipout-hackery of the <code>pgf</code> externalization bite each other. <code>\begin{Form}</code> must come before the shipout hackery of <code>pgf</code>. 3. <code>\includegraphics</code> does not preserve PDF forms.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2180	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>the interrupt bounding box feature should still update the data bounding box. Otherwise, transformations may fail.</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:2185	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>extra ticks can be disabled by the tick special cases for axis lines (when two axis lines cross each other)</p>
pgfplotstodo.tex:1431	<p><b>Bug</b> [open, Priority 3]</p> <p><code> \addplottable[blue]</code>— ignores the color options!</p>

pgfplotstodo.tex:1155

**Bug** [open, Priority 2]

#3213889 hyperref boxes are in wrong position for vertical labels

see <http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/13364/how-to-make-pgfplots-vertical-labels-have-proper-hyperref-reference-box>  
for problem description and potential fixes

pgfplotstodo.tex:1250

**Bug** [open, Priority 2]

The clipping of tick lines uses the middle of axis lines; it does not incorporate the line width of the axis lines. [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_6.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3,
    every axis/.append style={semithick},
    every tick/.append style={semithick,color=black},
    tick align=outside
}
\begin{document}
  \thispagestyle{empty}
  \begin{figure}[p]
    \centering
    \begin{tikzpicture}
      \begin{axis}[xmin=0,
        xmax=30,
        ymin=0,
        ymax=1.2
      ]
        \end{axis}
      \end{tikzpicture}
    \end{figure}
  \end{document}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1277

**Bug** [open, Priority 2]

can someone confirm the following behavior. The y label of a plot gets truncated in some circumstances if the external library is used. This happens for me if no title is specified for a plot. Consider the following example:

[see [bugtracker/minimal\\_7.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass[11pt,a4paper]{article}

\usepackage{tikz}
\usepackage{pgfplots}

\pgfplotsset{compat=1.3}
\usepgfplotslibrary{external}
\tikzexternalize[force remake]

\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[y tick scale label style={inner sep=1pt}]
\addplot {x * 10^8};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```



```
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1686 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
potential incompatibility: clickable and external. The clickable lib writes into pgfplots.djs which might cause multithreaded problems.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1794 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
OK : 'every node near coord/.append style=scale=0.7' NOT OK: 'every node near coord/.append style=scale=0.7,ybar' -> sequence of shift and scale matters ...

pgfplotstodo.tex:1807 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
view=090 and enlargelimits=auto is not always satisfactory: it disables enlarged limits, but for contours, I'd like to have it. What is to do?

pgfplotstodo.tex:1828 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
contour external doesn't handle explicitly provided matrix data (mesh/rows and mesh/cols) yet.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1832 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
contour external doesn't handle the ordering flag correctly.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1847 **Bug** [open, Priority 2]  
the title style for 'footnotesize' is not as I want it to: it doesn't respect the depth below the baseline. Or does it need a \strut?

pgfplotstodo.tex:1176 **Bug** [open, Priority 1]  
CRASH: [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_8.pdf](#)]  

```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[
    scale mode=scale uniformly,
    x={(1pt,0pt)},
    y={(-0.5pt,0.5pt)},
    z={(0pt,1pt)},
  ]

  % addplot3 works (with 3d coords):
  \addplot coordinates {
    (0,0) (1,0) (0,1)
  };
\end{tikzpicture}
```

```

\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1221

### Bug [open, Priority 1]

Using 0 in pgfplots coordinate systems does not necessarily mean “no offset”. This is misleading. Bug sourceforge #3168030: [\[see bugtracker/minimal\\_9.pdf\]](#)

```

\documentclass[a4paper]{article}
\usepackage{german}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc}

\usepackage{pgfplots}

\usepackage{pgfplotstable}
\usepackage{booktabs}
\usepackage{array}
\usepackage{colortbl}

\begin{document}

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[enlarge x limits=false, extra description/.code={\draw[very thick] (axis cs:2.5,0) -- ++(rel
    \addplot coordinates{
      (0,1)
      (1,2)
      (2,3)
      (3,4)
      (4,5)};
    \end{axis}
  \end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}
  \begin{axis}[enlarge x limits=true, extra description/.code={\draw[very thick] (axis cs:2.5,0) -- ++(rel
    \addplot coordinates{
      (0,1)
      (1,2)
      (2,3)
      (3,4)
      (4,5)};
    \end{axis}
  \end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}

\end{document}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1349

### Bug [open, Priority 1]

The legend has the `text depth=0.15em` initial configuration, which is extremely bad for legend entries with huge depth (large fractionals or formulas?)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1469

**Bug** [open, Priority 1]

The mark list produces a lot of

```
\XC@edef #1#2->\begingroup \ifnum \catcode '\!=13 \edef !{\string !}\fi \ifnum \catcode '\
[.....]
{\if}
```

```
\@@tmp ->.!80!black
{true}
{the character !}
Missing character: There is no ! in font nullfont!
{the character 8}
Missing character: There is no 8 in font nullfont!
{the character 0}
Missing character: There is no 0 in font nullfont!
{the character !}
Missing character: There is no ! in font nullfont!
{the character b}
Missing character: There is no b in font nullfont!
{the character l}
Missing character: There is no l in font nullfont!
{the character a}
Missing character: There is no a in font nullfont!
{the character c}
Missing character: There is no c in font nullfont!
{the character k}
Missing character: There is no k in font nullfont!
{\def}
{\else}
```

bugs. Probably fixed with more recent version of xcolor?

pgfplotstodo.tex:1536

**Bug** [open, Priority 1]

providing `\legend{}` without any `\addplot` commands causes a problem

pgfplotstodo.tex:1625

**Bug** [open, Priority 1]

the axis line combination styles can't be adjusted for 3D because they are evaluated too early.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1891

**Bug** [open, Priority 1]

the `'/pgfplots/table/.search also'` is overwritten during `\addplot table with /search also=/pgfplots`. That's not so good.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1345

**Bug** [closed, Priority 11]

polar lib: the clipping of markers doesn't work correctly for partial polar axes.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1341

**Bug** [closed, Priority 10]

Markers in legends are not (always?) filled properly [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_10.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\usepackage{pgfplotstable}
\begin{document}

\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}
\addplot [mark=*,only marks] coordinates { (-1,1) (1,-1) };
\legend{measured data}
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```

caused by the fact that options of 'every axis legend' are in effect at this time  
– which includes `fill=white`.

pgfplotstodo.tex:839

**Bug** [closed, Priority 9]

SCALING PROBLEMS in 3d:

- the plot box ratio and axis equal feature both need to imply `scale mode=scale uniformly`. But it is still wrong; even if one activates the correct scale mode.

The problem: the axis equal stuff operates on the projected unit vectors and applies different scalings.

- combining plot box ratio and explicit limits seems to corrupt the display (?)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1322

**Bug** [closed, Priority 8]

Decorations in plots appear to be problematic (this is a duplicate! caused by the fact that `decorate=false` is used at the beginning of every plot, need to adjust every path style): [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_11.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{scrartcl}

\usepackage{pgfplots}
\usetikzlibrary{decorations}

\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
```

```

\begin{axis}

\addplot+[postaction={draw, decorate, decoration=border}] coordinates {(0,0) (5,0.5)}; %funktioniert nicht

\end{axis}

\draw [postaction={draw, decorate, decoration=border}] (0,-3cm) -- ++(5cm,0.5cm); %funktioniert

\end{tikzpicture}

\begin{tikzpicture}

\begin{axis}

\addplot+[postaction={draw, decorate, decoration=border},
% tedious, but necessary: pgfplots accidentally resets the
% "decorate" option at the beginning of the path (probably a
% bug).
% This is a work-around:
every path/.style={
    postaction={decorate},
    every path/.style={},
},
] coordinates {(0,0) (5,0.5)}; %funktioniert nicht

\end{axis}

\end{tikzpicture}

\end{document}

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1504

#### **Bug** [closed, Priority 7]

It is not possible to use `\addplot ... node[pos=0.5] {a};` in pgfplots.

Reason: the timer information is tikz high level, but pgfplots uses the PGF basic layer.

DONE.

Open: the `\pgfplotspointplotattime` should provide more useful output: SCI notation and it should respect custom trafo's

pgfplotstodo.tex:1006

#### **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

Adding a decoration to a plot requires `every path/.style={decorate, every path/.style={}}` because pgfplots sets its options inside of a `\scope[<options>]`.

This should be fixed.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1016

#### **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

nodes near coords is broken for layer branch

pgfplotstodo.tex:1020

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

|axisequal,view=090— for a 3d axis leads to compilation errors (although it seems to work)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1030

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

view direction is imprecise. It seems as if the  $z$  direction is wrong.

See the recent commits on branch `mesh_bg_colormap`

pgfplotstodo.tex:1086

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

If one specifies `\scope` within an axis, the plots (partially) use their variables, but legends do not. [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_12.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\pgfplotsset{
    compat=newest,
}
\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
% reverse legend, % uncomment and one entry is missing
    legend pos=north west,
]
\begin{scope}[only marks]
\addplot
    coordinates { (0,0) (1,1) } node [right] {a};
\addplot
% [green] % uncomment and legend does exactly the wrong thing
    coordinates { (0,1) (1,2) } node [right] {b};
\end{scope}
\begin{scope}[mark=none]
\addplot
    coordinates { (0,0.5) (1,1.5) } node [right] {c};
\addplot
% [orange] % uncomment and it works
    % (I think this is luck, because it does the same
    % thing as the [green] example above)
    coordinates { (0,1.5) (1,2.5) } node [right] {d};
\end{scope}
\legend{
    a,
    b,
    c,
    d,
}
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1147

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

the table package does not support non-ASCII column names. If there are non-ASCII column names, it might fail to produce a readable error message.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1427

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

the unit vector ratio impl does not work as intended: the manual example [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_13.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}

\usepackage{pgfplots}
\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[axis equal]
% FokkerDrI_layer_0.patches.dat contains:
% # each row is one vertex; three consecutive
% # vertices make one triangle (patch)
% 105.577 -19.7332 2.85249
% 88.9233 -21.1254 13.0359
% 89.2104 -22.1547 1.46467
% # end of facet 0
% 105.577 -19.7332 2.85249
% 105.577 -17.2161 12.146
% 88.9233 -21.1254 13.0359
% # end of facet 1
\addplot3[patch]
    file
    {plotdata/FokkerDrI_layer_0.patches.dat};
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```

fails and resorts to guesses!

pgfplotstodo.tex:1494

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

It is not possible to provide # comments in inline tables.

```
\pgfplotstabletypeset[
]{
# GHz dB
1 0
2 -10
3 0
}
```

The problem occurs since the # has special handling and many internal checks fail. I started to implement special handling, but that might require vast changes.

One solution is to use

```
\toks0={#1}
\edef\macro{\the\toks0}
```

instead of

`\def\macro{#1}`

anywhere in the code – the `\def` introduces special checks for the `#` whereas the `\toks` does not.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1532

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

Groupplots + named nodes doesn't yield the correct output. Perhaps scoping difficulties? Or problems adjusting the stored coords? [see [bugtracker/minimal\\_14.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass[10pt]{article}

\usepackage{pgfplots}
\usepgfplotslibrary{groupplots}

\begin{document}

\begin{tikzpicture}%
%\begin{axis}[%
\begin{groupplot}[%
    group style={group size=1 by 1},%
]
    \nextgroupplot;
    \node[name=a] at (axis cs:0.1,-1) {N};
    \addplot coordinates{(0,1) (1,2)};
\end{groupplot}
%\end{axis}

\draw (a) circle (5pt);
\end{tikzpicture}%
\end{document}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1560

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

Verify that the list termination (either with `\\` or with `,`) works correctly

pgfplotstodo.tex:1564

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

ternary lib: `\addplot` doesn't work correctly, only `\addplot3`

pgfplotstodo.tex:1620

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

I'm trying to create an extra y tick on a plot, but I want the tick and label to be on the right side of the plot. I want all the other y ticks and labels are all on the left side of the plot.

It's almost working properly, but it won't put the extra label on the right side of the plot where I want it. The tick is appearing on the right side, but the label is staying on the left side with all the other labels. I was using version 1.2.2 before and this was working fine, but I just upgraded to version 1.4



because I wanted to use a new feature that wasn't present in 1.2.2. Is it possible this was broken somewhere along the way?

[see [bugtracker/minimal\\_15.pdf](#)]

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{pgfplots}
\begin{document}
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[
    small,
    width=12cm,
    height=1.8in,
    ymin=0,
    ymax=10,
    xmin=0,
    xmax=2,
    ybar,
    ymajorgrids=true,
    yminorgrids=false,
    minor y tick num=0,
    ytick pos=left,
    xtick pos=left,
    ytick align=center,
    yticklabel={\pgfmathprintnumber{\tick}\%$},
    xtick align=outside,
    x tick style={},
    xticklabel style={rotate=45,anchor=east,font=\scriptsize\sffamily},
    extra y tick style={tick pos=right, ticklabel pos=right, grid
style={thick,color=black}},
    extra y ticks={6.25},
    extra y tick labels={Extra Label},
]

%\addplot plot[error bars/.cd,y dir=plus,y explicit,x dir=none] table
%[x=Index,y expr=100*\thisrow{AvgLocked},y error=Diff]{locked_tabbed.dat};

\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{document}
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1644

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

foreach variants in pgfplots accept only one parameter

```
%          \foreach \x/\y in {1/a, 2/b, 3/c}
%          {\node at (axis cs:0,\x) {\y};}%    % doesn't work
%          \pgfplotsforeachungrouped \x/\y in {1/a, 2/b, 3/c}
%          {\node at (axis cs:0,\x) {\y};}%    % doesn't work
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:1669

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

plot box ratio has a strange input format (compare with unit vector ratio).

pgfplotstodo.tex:1695 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
'clip=false' does not disable marker clipping!

pgfplotstodo.tex:1717 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
3D axes: providing three unit vectors is not sufficient, one also needs to set 'view='. That should be done automatically.  
- 3D axes: Providing three unit vectors manually yields incorrect axis initialisation.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1737 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
manual errors of given pgfplots\_unstable version: 94 2.5.12  
addplot+[patch] --> addplot3+[patch] 162 "xmode, ymode, zmode" and  
"x dir, ..." come again on page 177

pgfplotstodo.tex:1742 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
don't loose \ref's when externalizing I'll provide a minimal later

pgfplotstodo.tex:1748 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
incompatibility pdfpages (most recent version), MikTeX and tikz external lib  
(something with shipout routine)

pgfplotstodo.tex:1769 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
mesh/patch plots: - jump thing + z buffer=sort probably doesn't work

pgfplotstodo.tex:1865 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
the autodetection of the '\\\\' list format is buggy: it should return true if and  
only if the last element is '\\\\', not if '\\\\' occurs inside of the argument.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1879 **Bug** [closed, Priority 5]  
'\addplot[only marks]' does not assign a plot mark; one needs 'mark=\*' explicitly. that's confusing...  
see also [https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060656&aid=3045389&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060656&aid=3045389&group_id=224188)

<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1930</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>check for placement of tick scale label for <code>compat=newest</code> <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> I improved them for 2d and 3d <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> needs some further checks, I guess</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1942</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p><code>getthisrow</code> still has to be fixed</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1959</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>3D gnuplot: z buffer fails (see tests)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1979</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>gnuplot: set terminal table seems to be deprecated.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:1984</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>gnuplot and 3D <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> I need a shared interface to prepare the required keys for expression plotting</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2000</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>check whether <code>/pgfplots/</code> keys are processed properly in legends. This is certainly not the case for the <code>\label/\ref</code> legend! <math>\rightsquigarrow</math> which ones are the problem?</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2030</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>finish impl of ticklabel pos. I should use the same thing for tickpos as well. And: the default arg processing which uses <code>ticklabel pos = tickpos</code> needs to be fixed. the 2D axes are wrong.</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2045</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>3D: axis equal implementation might not be correct (at least not for view special cases)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2056</code>	<p><b>Bug</b> [closed, Priority 5]</p> <p>the <code>\thisrow</code> commands in the table package does not (always) respect aliases!</p>

pgfplotstodo.tex:2099

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

the arguments to `plot file[#1]` and `plot table[#1]` are not consistent with rest. They need to be treated as behavior options (maybe in a different key path).

pgfplotstodo.tex:2120

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

verify that 'draw=none' works! Is something broken here?  $\rightsquigarrow$  write tests! + it appears to be desired that (at least some) markers invoke `\pgfusepathqfillstroke`  $\rightsquigarrow$  they always 'draw', regardless of tikz color settings.  $\rightsquigarrow$  ok, I patched that in my marker code... (hackery :-() - no, it works only partially: draw=none or fill=none works as expected. But 'blue' disables filling!? - Possible fix: Overwrite `\filltrue \fillfalse, \drawtrue, \drawfalse`: they should set a further boolean `'\drawbooleanhasbeenset'` and `'\fillbooleanhasbeenset'`.  $\rightsquigarrow$  Replace the `\pgfusepathqfillstroke` if and only if the respective booleans have been set *\*explicitly\**. If they are unchanged, fall back to a "reasonable" default.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2130

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

3D case : grid lines work correctly, but they are not satisfactory. I'd like grid lines in the background only.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2154

**Bug** [closed, Priority 5]

the clickable library does *\*not\** work inside of figure environments  $\rightsquigarrow$  yes. That's fixed; was a bug in hyperref. - I could try to re-implement it without `insdljs`. Ideas: - the document catalog's names dictionary needs to `'/JavaScript [(arbitrary script namei) idictionary with JSi]'` entry. The `idictionary with JSi` contains document level javascript. - it is very simple to generate these entries for my case. Unfortunately, this may be incompatible with 'insdljs' or other tools which write DLJS. - I am not sure why the floating figures of TeX produce an incompatibility here. It appears the 'hidden' flag in the form fields are the problem - if that is the case, I'd need to reimplement the form annotations (which could be more difficult).

pgfplotstodo.tex:1556

**Bug** [closed, Priority 3]

It is not (properly) possible to provide `surf` to `\addplot`.

```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\begin{axis}[]
\addplot[surf,domain=0:720,samples y=25] {cos(x)*sin(y)};%
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

! Package pgfplots Error: Sorry, you can't use 'y' in this context. PGFPlots expected to s

OK, I've been working on it:

- it is now possible to use `\addplot[surf]` and it works.
- it is *not* yet possible to *sample* matrices with `\addplot[surf]`.  
I added the `sample dim` key. But it does not work yet... the plot expression implementation needs to be refactored.

pgfplotstodo.tex:1397

#### **Bug** [closed, Priority 2]

One cannot load the clickable lib before pgfplots: see also [https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060656&aid=3033981&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060656&aid=3033981&group_id=224188)

## 5 Feature Proposals PGFPlots

pgfplotstodo.tex:2406

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 9]

filled area between 2 addplot's (already requested in mailing list) perhaps style 'fill plot' which is applied in vis phase. There, one can access the postprocessed information of the previous plot. DUPLICATE

pgfplotstodo.tex:2493

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 9]

¿ Is it possible to shade the area between two curves, using pgfplots, such as ¿ in this example:

<http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/13188> ¿ The only shading I could find is between one curve and the x axis... Shading ¿ between curves seems to be possible, but only with stacked curves. Is it ¿ possible to disable stacking somehow, but keep the closedcycle behavior?

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pgfplotstodo.tex:2972

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 9]

it might be interesting to fill the area between two paths. Perhaps there is such a feature in pgf; or perhaps I can generalize the `\closedcycle` implementation written for stacked plots.

DUPLICATE

<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2199</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>Layered graphics: consider drawing tick lines which are on the “outer part” of the axis on the foreground layer.</p> <p>See  <a href="http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/31708/draw-a-bivariate-normal-distribution-in-tikz/">http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/31708/draw-a-bivariate-normal-distribution-in-tikz/</a>  for a motivation (the tick lines are hidden by the surface)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2203</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>filled contour plots (prototype is 10% ready)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2207</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>allow support for units in <code>bar width</code> and <code>bar shift</code> (compare the implementation for circles/ellipses)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2219</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>provide log labels without exponents, i.e. 10000 instead of <math>10^4</math></p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2224</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>it would be nice to have automatic PNG export for huge graphics. Such an approach, combined with plot graphics, could result in considerably smaller pdfs and faster rendering. At the same time, it would not suffer the limitation which arises if one uses the external lib and converts the complete figure to png (including axis descriptions)</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2233</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>There is no simple way to provide LOG colorbars:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <code>ymode=log</code> is not supported in ‘every colorbar’ due to key filtering problems</li> <li>2. <code>disablelogfilter</code> appears to be useless and does not respect ‘log basis’</li> </ol> <p>If those two this would be fixed, one could provide  <code>colorbar style={ymode=log,disablelogfilter}</code> and would get a proper logarithmic colorbar. Perhaps even combined with <code>log basis ...</code> ?</p>
<code>pgfplotstodo.tex:2237</code>	<p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>Cases-statement in math parser</p>

- pgfplotstodo.tex:2245 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 provide a way to provide more customization to stacked plots as in  
<http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/13627/pgfplots-multiple-shifted-stacked-plots-in-on>  
 (stacked and clustered bar charts)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2249 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 the `empty line` feature should produce a log notice when it finds an empty  
 line in compat mode.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2257 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 Support something like  
`\addplot table[x symbolic expr={\thisrow{year}-\thisrow{month}-\thisrow{day}}]`.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2261 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 What about a ‘draft’ mode which does nothing but typeset an empty axis  
 without descriptions?
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2269 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 Provide features of an axis *outside* of the axis environment. For a start, this  
 could use the `axis cs` (or an alias to it).  
 Details and examples:  
[https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060659&aid=3086794&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060659&aid=3086794&group_id=224188)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2273 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 add ‘force 2d axis’ key (or similar)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2283 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 could you extend the `/tikz/prefix` key so it also works as a prefix for imported  
 files/tables? So far one has to type for example  
`\addplot table {plots/data/test.txt};`  
 If there would be a search path like `\graphicspath` for graphics it would be  
 really nice.

See also [https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060659&aid=3020246&group\\_id=224188](https://sourceforge.net/tracker/?func=detail&atid=1060659&aid=3020246&group_id=224188)

- pgfplotstodo.tex:2291 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
Support standard filters for `hist` and its variants.  
  
Improve filtering for `hist` and similar plot handlers.  
  
I already added the `hist/data filter` and `pre filter` keys (undocumented!). Use them.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2296 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
the `'xtick'` syntax accepts only numbers, not even constant expressions are possible (and `'pi'` is even more complicated).
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2301 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
Table Package: support context-based `row predicates` (some kind of WHERE clauses)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2305 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
Is it possible to have bar plots which do not start from the x or y axis?. For example a bar plot from (0,2) to (0,3).
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2309 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
support the `/data point/x` method for all key filters and in all contexts (i.e. in the same context where `\thisrow` is accepted)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2313 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
Support selection of individual 3D axis lines which shall be drawn (or “floor”)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2317 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
Support custom unit vectors for 3D axes
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2321 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
bar plots: provide constant zero level?



- pgfplotstodo.tex:2326 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
implement properly layered graphics — especially for grid lines should probably also respect multiple ordinates
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2330 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
linear regression which passes through (0,0) (see mail of Stefan Pinnow)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2335 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
plot graphics 3D: handle the case when the first two points share the same x (or y) coordinate
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2339 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
hist does not allow modifications to the data range
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2364 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
see the interesting things at  
<http://peltiertech.com/Excel/Charts/axes.html#Broken> broken (y) axis:  
remove interval [a,b] idea: if  $y|_a$  : visualize as usual if  $a|_y|_b$  : use coordinate  $y=a$  if  $b|_y$  : use coordinate  $y=y-(b-a)$  axis:
- compute two sets of axis descriptions. Perhaps one can try to compute the step size just once, and discard only [a,b] afterwards? This would require to use a canvas axis length corresponding to the unremoved axis range. BTW: I need access to the unremoved axis range; both for tick computation and for 'nodes near coords' or the clickable lib.
  - draw a decoration at the break.
  - perhaps also a decoration near affected coords.
  - perhaps I should apply the thing during the visualization phase, not before. Then, I have all limits and the correct coordinates; only canvas coords are affected.
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2373 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
feature to replicate axis descriptions on both sides

- pgfplotstodo.tex:2378 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 polar axes: polar bar plots (see sourceforge feature request and [http://matplotlib.sourceforge.net/examples/pylab\\_examples/polar\\_bar.html](http://matplotlib.sourceforge.net/examples/pylab_examples/polar_bar.html))
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2385 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 couldn't you add something like `\providecommand*\pgfplotsset[1]{}` to the "tikzexternal.sty" so one doesn't have to do it by hand when switching from tikz/pgfplots?
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2395 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 discontinuity in the middle of a plot (as an example see the phase diagram of water [http://pruffler.mit.edu/3.00/Lecture\\_29\\_web/img20.gif](http://pruffler.mit.edu/3.00/Lecture_29_web/img20.gif))  
  
<http://peltiertech.com/images/2011-11/Ybroken.png>  
  
<http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/46422/axis-break-in-pgfplots>
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2399 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 ternary diagram for extractions (more details will come)
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2411 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 make work `\matrix in \matrix` so one can use groupplots or "Allignment in Array Form" (section 4.18.4) with legends
- pgfplotstodo.tex:2429 **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
 nested axes would be a nice feature. TODO: - update the list of global state variables - "interrupt" these variables somehow. - make sure local redefinitions of TikZ commands (like point commands) work; the `\let...\orig=` assignments should be handled somehow. - What about keys? They will be inherited from the outer axis... perhaps the best would be an
- ```

\endgroup
<nested axis>
\begingroup
<restore state>

```
- which includes the keys of the outer axis!/?

pgfplotstodo.tex:2439

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

groupplots: group-wide axis labels

pgfplotstodo.tex:2457

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

is there a way to get the current row/col index during addplot?

pgfplotstodo.tex:2483

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

plot

shell: - It would be nice if the standard shell interpreter could be replaced. Idea:

```
\pgfkeys{/pgfplots/plot shell/interpreter/.code 2 args={sh #1 > #2}}
```

then in the code

```
\pgfkeysvalueof{/pgfplots/plot shell/interpreter/.@cmd}{#1.sh}{#1.out}\pgfeov
```

- the pgfshell macro is quite general and could be added to pgf (as suggested by you, Stefan). However, this would also need modifications in tikz.code.tex to get some sort of high-level user interface. I find plot shell very useful, and it could be added easily. My suggestion: Either write a high level user interface for tikz or rename the command to pgfplotshell and put it into pgfplotscoordprocessing.code.tex. In the meantime, I added it to pgfplotscoordprocessing.code.tex (bottom). - there is a potential difficulty with the 'addplot table shell' command (which is a good solution!): the semicolon in this routine will have a fixed catcode. But packages like babel with french language will change it to active, so french people can't use addplot table shell. The solution is technical and I am not proud of my own anyway... we'll just have to think about one. - documentation for the 'table shell' feature is missing yet. - I am not sure if the replication of /tikz/prefix and /tikz/id is helpful or confusing....

pgfplotstodo.tex:2501

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

new \plotnumofactualtype thing: if you set /tikz/ plot handlers in \begin{axis}, they won't be set before the visualization phase. consequently, I can't count them! Idea: add a 'family' to each of them. Or write a coord filter which checks for \tikz@plot@handler . Or write pgfplots styles which set them.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2514

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

feature request for line styles in tikz/pgf or pgfplots respectively: add dash-dotted line which is quite common in engineering field for example something like

```
\tikzset{
dash-dot/.style={
dash pattern=on 4pt off 3pt on 1pt off 3pt,
},
```

}

pgfplotstodo.tex:2591

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

disable bounding box updated during addplot – it makes no sense and wastes time (unless the axis is hidden)

pgfplotstodo.tex:2626

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

polar:

- is my current datascaling approach correct? I mean, is the linear trafo feasible at all?
- the `*affine*` radius datascalaetrafo could be enabled, if only parts of the circle are drawn at all, for example `xmin=0,xmax=45`, `ymin=1e-4,ymax=1.003e-4` Idea: check arc size and disable the radius `*affine*` data scaling only if the arc has more than 90 (?) degrees Is that mathematically correct? And: is it useful at all?
- handle "empty axis". It should reset to a circle, not a box.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2630

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

patch visualization: provide displacement input format

pgfplotstodo.tex:2661

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

the following keys should process their argument with `pgfmathparse`:

- xyz tick,
  - min/max
  - tickmin/max
  - meta min/max
  - domain/ y domain,
  - error bar arguments,
  - without FPU: width/height/ view
  - check optimizations of the math parser!
  - check if I can activate the FPU during the survey phase!

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| pgfplotstodo.tex:2665 | <p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>add polar coordinates</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| pgfplotstodo.tex:2671 | <p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>Idea for input stuff: implement high level user interface for coordinate input, similar to the pgf basic level framework. Then, add styles on top of it (try to be compatible with DV engine)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| pgfplotstodo.tex:2688 | <p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>Idea: implement an automatic /pgf/number format setting which determines a suitable representation for a <i>*set*</i> of numbers. For example, 1e-17 0.2 0.4 0.8 should be printed as 0 0.2 0.4 0.8 whereas 1e-17 2e-17 3e-17 should be printed using the scientific range (perhaps even using some sort of scaling as for ticks). This would be useful for contour plot labels as well. ~&gt; a realization should check the data range (especially its exponent). Thus, I want a <i>*relative*</i> number printing style.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| pgfplotstodo.tex:2693 | <p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>new plot structure : use the ‘/data point’ key interface coming with pgf CVS</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| pgfplotstodo.tex:2743 | <p><b>Feature Proposal</b> [open, Priority 5]</p> <p>new structure for math operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• aim: interface for math operations which works independent of lowlevel repr</li> <li>• ¿ FPU vs basic pgf vs LUA vs ‘fp.sty’ vs ....</li> <li>• ¿ log axes can be done in pgf (faster)</li> <li>• necessary: high level <code>\pgfmathparse</code> <i>*and*</i> mid level invocation of operations</li> <li>• necessary: parsenumber, tofixed, tostring</li> <li>• datascaling needs access to exponents and base 10 shifts</li> <li>• necessary: check for nan and inf</li> <li>• necessary: the max/min routines which are no longer supported by pgf (the <code>\pgfplotsmath...</code> routines)</li> </ul> <p>interface:</p> |

- transparent exchange of math mode routines
- fast (enough)
- for each axis separately (optimized for log)
- variable number of arguments
- expansion of arguments should be possible
- the interface is necessary for *\*coordinate\** arithmetics, not necessarily for the pgf interaction (can keep register math)

realization ideas:

- command suffix for each axis '@basic' versus 'float'
- central interface to invoke math ops:  
`\pgfplotscoordmath{x}{multiply}{<arga>}{<argb>}` Idea: use `\edef` on the arguments.
- provide `\pgfplotssetmathmode{x}{<suffix>}` should assert that the desired interface is complete
- `\pgfmathparse` may need to be adjusted if it uses a different output format than `suffixj`

TODO:

- rethink data scaling transformation. Should it be done as “coord math”?
- handling of depth searching needs to be implemented with “default” `coordmath`
- the log routines `~>` also use it for table package. BUGGY! compare examples in manual. Minor log ticks don't work at all, default log tick labels are simply wrong.
- `disablelogfilter` case
- ✓error bars work with both, float and log
- `plotohandlers.code.tex`
- `prepare@ZERO@coords`

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## Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

rewrite the read number routines. They should allow 'disabledatafilter' thing during `addplot`.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2776

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

quiver plots:

- allow to disable update of axis limits
- provide rescaling of arrows such that they don't overlap. manual rescaling is simple, auto is more difficult. auto: if I have a matrix, I could rescale such that its mesh width is larger than the largest vector. Same for a vector of input data. But what if I don't know whether it's a vector or matrix?  $\rightsquigarrow$  second run.  $\rightsquigarrow$  after the first, it should be possible to autocomplete the mesh rows/cols. Try it. If that works, we have a matrix.  $\rightsquigarrow$  could be done from within the scanlinelength routines: auto-detect mesh/rows mesh/cols mesh/ordering mesh/width but that fails if there is no scanline marker.
- what with log plots? What with other axis features like symbolic trafo's?  $\rightsquigarrow$  need difference type!
- that is: quiver plots in log coords are \*multiplicative\* and invoke the same routines. make special handling for '0'.
- allow feature where (u,v) are \*coords\*, not vectors. this could allow additive log quiver plots.

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### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

plot expression: make the sampling parameters available within survey phase

pgfplotstodo.tex:2784

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

the table package uses a lot of logs – but it can't change the log basis.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2789

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

3D + axis line variants: someone might prefer GRID LINES as for the boxed case combined with axis line=left...

pgfplotstodo.tex:2800

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

bar plots:

- bar interval plot handler which \*assumes\* uniform distances. This allows to eliminate the last, superfluous grid point (because it can be generated automatically as  $x_{\text{last}} + h$  for known  $h$ )
- in fact, I could also implement  $x_{\text{last}} + h_{\text{last}}$  and introduce a new name like 'bar interval\*' or something like that

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

Mails from Stefan Ruhstorfer:

- Gruppierte Säulendiagramme sind nach meinem Wissenstand nur dann möglich wenn man in der Axis-Definiton die Bedingung ybar angibt. Ich finde diese Ausrichtung sehr unflexible, da ich sehr oft über das Problem stolpere, dass ich in meinem gruppierten Säulendiagramm noch eine waagrechte Linie oder ähnliches einzeichnen möchte um z.B. meine obere Toleranzgrenze einzuzeichnen. Bis jetzt mache ich das über den normalen draw Modus, was auch ausgezeichnet funktioniert. Jedoch habe ich dann das Problem, dass ich keinen schönen Legendeintrag mehr bekomme. Hier hätte ich 2 Vorschläge. Zum einen die Legende "freier" zu gestalten. Also so, dass man beliebig (ggf. auch ohne Plot) ein Legendenelement hinzufügen kann und vllt. noch das zugehörige Symbol festlegen kann. (Bis jetzt habe ich das Problem, das ich mit tricksen zwar meine Obere Toleranzgrenze in die Legende bekomme, dann jedoch mit einem Säulenzeichen davor). Der andere Vorschlag ist, dass Säulendiagramm anders zu definieren. So das ich auch noch einen Plot hinzufügen kann, der mir eine waagrechte Linie ohne zu tricksen einzeichnen lässt.
- Eine Gruppierung von stacked bars ist nach meinem Wissen nicht möglich. Es ist zwar schwer sich ein Anwendungsgebiet dafür vorzustellen, aber wenn sie danach mal suchen (speziell im Excelbereich) werden sie sehen, dass viele Leute so eine Funktion benutzen. ~> siehe auch folgemails mit Beispielskizzen ~> beachte: Fall 2.) erfordert mehr arbeit als lediglich 'line legend', weil ybar ja den koordinatenindex verarbeitet!

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

Mail by Hubertus Bromberger:

- ✓Period in legend, without the need of using the math environment?  
`\legend{ML spcm$. $, CW spcm$. $, ML AC};`
- Maybe a more straight forward way for legend to implement something like shown in the graph. (see his mail .tex) ~> plot marks only at specific points. thus, the legend image should contain both lines and marks, but there are effectively two addplot commands.
- As a physicist, I often have the problem to fit curves. A job gnuplot can do very well. It should be possible using "raw gnuplot" but maybe you can either provide an example or even implement a more straight forward way for this purpose.
- The color scheme is not really my taste. In CONTEXT:

```
cycle list={%
{Col1,mark=*},
```



```

{Col2,mark=square*},
{Col3,mark=diamond*},
{Col4,mark=star},
{Col5,mark=pentagon*},
{Col6,mark=square*},
{Col7,mark=diamond*},
{Col8,mark=triangle* } }
\definecolor[Col1] [r=0.24106,g=0.05490,b=0.90588] % blau
\definecolor[Col2] [r=1,g=0.05490,b=0.06667] % rot
\definecolor[Col3] [r=0.65490,g=0.73333,b=0.01176] % grn
\definecolor[Col4] [r=0.08627,g=0.92549,b=0.91373] % tyrkis
\definecolor[Col5] [r=1,g=0.5,b=0] % orange
\definecolor[Col6] [r=0.54118,g=0.51765,b=0.51765] % grau
\definecolor[Col7] [r=0.80784,g=0.49804,b=0.06275] % okker
\definecolor[Col8] [r=0.74902,g=0.07451,b=0.91765] % lila

```

- Sometimes it would be good to have a bit more of a programming language, but still that's not what tex is made for. The python-script looks promising, it's just, that I think it doesn't work with context.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2864

#### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

add something like

```

\pgfplotstablotypeset[
  cell { 1 } { 2 }={\multirow{*}{3}{text}}
]

```

pgfplotstodo.tex:2908

#### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

ternary diagrams todo:

- the `\pgfplotsqpointoutsideofaxis` work only for position 1, nothing in-between (since it doesn't compute the other axis components correctly)
- data ranges are currently only correct if in  $[0,1]$  or if one provides the `[xyz]min` and `[xyz]max` keys (and the ternary limits `relative=false`). How should it work!?

pgfplotstodo.tex:2925

#### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

contour:

- `labels=true,false,auto`  $\rightsquigarrow$  auto should deactivate labels if there are too many contour lines.

- labels should not be clipped...
- add label position shifting facilities.  $\rightsquigarrow$  identify by contour label \*and\* an optional index. There may be more than one line.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2933

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

contourf: I guess filled contour plots could be possible if always two adjacent color levels are combined into a single path which is then filled with the simplified even/odd rule (not the winding fill rule). With the underlying smoothness assumption  $C^0$ , there can't be any level between two adjacent ones, and there can't be self-intersections.

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#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

it would be very interesting to allow more flexible handling of empty lines in input data, especially files.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2957

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

contour draft TODO:

- color of text nodes
- make sure there is at least one label node
- implement contourf
  - often: use 'even odd rule' to fill adjacent contours.
  - but this works only if adjacent contours are contained in each other.
  - if that's not the case, perhaps I need to add an artificial path from the data limits.
  - idea: in case I know the corner values, I'd know which contour plateau requires the artificial path.
  - other idea: I could implement some sort of even-odd rule in TeX. This should also yield the information.

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#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

implement simplified constructions to access DIFFERENCE coordinates. For example, `\draw ellipse` needs x radius and y radius.

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#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

the 'table/y index' should be changed. It should be  $\min(\text{numcols}, 1)$  instead of 1.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2992

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

table package and axes should improve their communication. Namely:

- 
- communicate table names.
- communicate xmode/ymode
- communicate log basis [xy]

pgfplotstodo.tex:2997

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

provide and document access to (sanitized?) mesh/rows and mesh/cols fields during the survey phase. This might allow 2d key filters

pgfplotstodo.tex:3004

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

Praktisch fände ich, wenn man folgende Dinge spezifizieren kann: 1. Welche Zeilen aus der Datei ausgelesen sollen (häufig gibt es nicht nur 1, sondern mehrere Header-Zeilen, oder auch am Ende noch sonstige Zeilen)

pgfplotstodo.tex:3008

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

improve support for multiple ordinates

pgfplotstodo.tex:3021

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

it would be useful if the clipping could be disabled for certain parts of the axis. Is that possible?

- yes. Idea: start clipping for every axis element separately! Shouldn't be much more expensive than a single marker path.
- should work in the same way as before, there is no difference!
- scopes should introduce no further problems
- I could eliminate the nasty marker list

pgfplotstodo.tex:3026

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

provide a `\pgfplotspathcube` command as generalization from the cube marker. The cube command should work similar to `pathrectangle` or `rectanglecorners`.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3033

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

re-implement sampling loops. I should discard the compatibility with foreach internally in order to gain accuracy! Maybe it is necessary to invoke different loops - one for tikz foreach (samples at) and one "standard" sampling routine.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3076

### Feature Proposal [open, Priority 5]

optimization ideas:

- replace `\pgfpointscale` with a 'q' version  $\rightsquigarrow$  it invokes the expensive math parser.
- `pgfmultipartnode` evaluates every anchor twice
- implement a cache for expensive, repeated math operations like 'view' directions or common results of  $1/||e_i||$ .
- search for unnecessary math parser invocations; replace with 'q' versions if possible.
- implement a hierarchical generalization of the 'applist' container (a tree applist of arbitrary length)
- eliminate the deprecated 'non-legend-option' processing.
- remove the different (empty) paths of the axis node – it appears they are not necessary and waste only time and mem.
- try implementing an abstract 'serialize' and 'unserialize' method - it might be faster to re-process input streams instead of generating preprocessed coordinate lists.
- try to reduce invocations of `pgfkeys`
- optimize the filtered `pgfkeys` invocations - the filter is slower than necessary!
- the plot mark code invokes a lot of math parsing routines - which is a waste of time in my opinion. All expressions etc. have already been parsed.
- the point meta transform is set up twice for scatter plots.
- my elementary data structures always use `\string` to support macros as data structure names. I fear this might be ineffective. Perhaps its better to check if the argument is a macro (at creation time, thus only once) and call `\edef#1{\string#1}` to assign some sort of name to it. This will invoke `\string` only once. Is this faster?
- eliminate the 'veclength' invocations for single axes - they can be replaced with "inverse unit length \* (max-min)"
- the key setting things can be optimized with `pgfkeysdef`

- create the /pgfplots/.unknown handler (.search also=/tikz) once and remember it.
- the (new) tick label code might be very expensive:
  - check for (unnecessary) calls to `\pgfpointnormalised` – the normal vectors are already normalised!
  - check the cost for bounding box size control of the tick labels – maybe this can be optimized away if it is not used. But this decision is not easy.

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3081`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 perhaps math style  
`{grid=major, axis x line=middle, axis y line=center, tick align=outside}`

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3085`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 asymmetric error bars

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3090`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 provide access to axis limits and data bounding box. It would be useful to get access to axis coordinates, for example in 'circle (XXX)'

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3095`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 allow math expressions for axis limits etc. Idea: try float parsing routine; if it fails: use math parser first.

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3102`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 write a public math interface which provides access to axis internals like limits, the 'dimen-to-coordinate' method and so on.  $\leadsto$  it might be useful to use `pgfnathparse` for any numerical input argument as well.

`pgfplotstodo.tex:3138`    **Feature Proposal**    [open, Priority 5]  
 Store the axis limits into the axis' node as saved macros. This would allow

- 'use [xy] limits of=`|axis name|`'
- access to axis limits from other macros.
- provide a command `\pgfplotslimits{current axis}{x}{min}` which expands to the 'xmin' limit. PROBLEM: to WHICH limit: the untransformed one? The transformed one? The logarithmized one?

- ¿ I can't compute  $\exp(x_{\min})$  in log plots!
- Ideas:
  - provide both, if possible. It is NOT possible for log axes.
  - use log-limits ( possibly combined with 'logxmin=' option ?)
  - The operation requires several operations because floats need to be converted. Idea: do that only for NAMED AXES.
  - all user-interface macros must be expandable!
  - I don't want to spent time for number format conversions unnecessarily here!
  - provide `\pgfplotslimits` and `\pgfplotstransformedlimits` combined with simpler key-value interfaces
  - I could also provide access to the unit lengths (they are available as macro anyway)
  - ALTERNATIVE: implement access to axis limits as a math function which simply defines `\pgfmathresult`.
  - that is probably the most efficient way to do it. I only need to register the new function(s) to PGF MATH.
  - PGF 2.00: use `\csname pgfmath@parsefunction@\pgfmath@parsedfunctionname\endcsname`
  - PGF ¿ 2.00: use `\pgfmathdeclarefunction` Is it possible to provide 'string' arguments which are not parsed? No.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3144

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

I could provide public macros for the data transformations (and inverse transformations). This would also allow relatively simple access to axis limits.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3148

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

cycle list should be implemented using an array structure. That's faster.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3154

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

what about a feature like `'draw[xmin=...,xmax=...] fitline between points (a) (b)'`?

pgfplotstodo.tex:3158

#### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

interpolate missing coordinates for stacked plots.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3164

### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

the error bar implementation is relatively inefficient. Think about something like `'/pgfplots/error bars/prepare drawing'` which sets common style keys for every error bar

pgfplotstodo.tex:3194

### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

think about using a combination of the visualization engine of pgf CVS and my prepared-list-structure. Maybe I can adjust the list format for the current plot type? I need

- scatter/line plots 2D
- meta coords
- quiver may need extra vectors
- matrix plots may need twodimensional structure
- error bars could be handled more consistently
- ...
- `\` implement a visualization class which provides methods
  - `prepare()`
  - `visualize()`
  - `serialize()`
  - `visualizestream()` and provide protected pgfplots methods
  - `axis~\preprocesscoordinate` (filters, logs)
  - `visualizer~\prepare()`
  - `axis~\processcoordinate()`
  - `visualizer~\serialize()`
  - `axis~\postprocesscoordinate()` The markers as they are implemented now don't really fit into this framework. The clipping region is not really what I want here... Idea: enable/disable clipping separately for each drawing command!

pgfplotstodo.tex:3198

### **Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

the coordindex shouldn't be changed by `z buffer=sort`

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

table package: provide abstract layer for low level storage interface. Idea: the interface should allow the container interface

- `push_back()`
- `get(i)`
- `set(i)`
- `foreach()`
- `pop_front()`
- `newempty()`
- `clone()`
- `unscope()`
- `startPushBackSequence()`
- `stopPushBackSequence()`

↪ this could allow to use arrays for fast algorithms. At least it would make things easier to read. Problem as always: the 'unscope()' operation. Currently, I have two different structures: the applists which have fast construction properties and the standard lists which implement the rest. Can I combine both? Yes, by means of the incremental construction pattern:

```
\startPushBackSequence
\push_back
\push_back
\push_back
\stopPushBackSequence
```

↪ inside of the construction, only `\push_back` is allowed and the structure is in "locked state" (low level: applist repr) ↪ Idea: the creation is fast, afterwards, it has flexibility.

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

It is certainly possible to write some sort of CELL-BASED 'mesh/surf' shader - a combination of 'flat corner' and cell based rectangles:

- every coordinate denotes a CELL instead of a corner,
- the "shader" maps the cdata into the colormap to determine the cell color



- details?
  - to get well-defined cells, I have to enforce either a non-parametric lattice grid or do a LOT of additional operations (?).
  - alternative: define  $N \times M$  cells by  $N+1 \times M+1$  points.
  - perhaps a combination of both?  $\rightsquigarrow$  that's more or less the same as 'flat mean' up to the further row/column pair
- it would be generally useful to have an "interval" or "cell" mode: the idea is that every input coordinate defines an interval (1d) or a cell (2d). To define the last cell, one needs to add one "mesh width" somehow. I just don't know where:
  - the artificial cell should be processed with the normal streams - including limit updates, stacking etc.
  - the artificial cell needs to know when the end-of-stream occurs. For 1d plots, that may be possible. For 2D plots, this information requires a valid 'cols' key.
  - I suppose it would be best to patch `@stream@coord..` at least for the 'cell' mode.
  - Idea:
    - \* the `\pgfplots@coord@stream@coord` implementation realizes the cell-mode: after every 'cols' coordinate, a further one is replicated. This needs the "last mesh width". Furthermore, it needs to accumulate a row vector, the "last row". This last row is need during `stream@end` to replicate the further row:
    - \* the `\pgfplots@coord@stream@end` implementation has to realize the last step of cell mode: the replication of a further row. It also has to realize the implementation of 'interval' mode (replication of last coordinate). My idea is to simply use an `applist` for this row accumulation. The format should be compatible with `\pgfplots@coord@stream@foreach@NORMALIZED`. That doesn't produce problems, even when the end command is invoked within a `foreach@NORMALIZED` loop - because the loop has already ended.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3287

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]  
support `\multicolumn` for legends

pgfplotstodo.tex:3292

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

it appears line breaks in legend descriptions are a problem (?)  $\rightsquigarrow$  bug in pgf:  
`\\` is overwritten and won't be restored.

pgfplotstodo.tex:3300

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

pgfplotstable file open protocol: provide public listener interface

pgfplotstodo.tex:3304

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

`\addplot coordinates {\macro};`

pgfplotstodo.tex:3328

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 5]

precise width calculation idea:

- Problem: total width depends on width of axis descriptions
- width of axis descriptions depends on position of axis descriptions
- position of axis descriptions depends on width of axis
- width of axis depends on width of axis descriptions
- non-linearly coupled system.
- Idea: introduce a loop.
  - details:
    1. place axis descriptions + the axis rectangle into a box.
    2. Measure box'es width, throw it away if it is too bad. Keep it and stop iteration otherwise.
    3. recompute the complete scaling.
    4. go back to step 1.) and iterate
  - one or two iterations should be enough .
  - it's not necessary to recompute the prepared and stored plots. Just keep them in main memory until the scaling is fixed.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2453

**Feature Proposal** [open, Priority 1]

log plots: minor tick num would be useful here! If tick labels are placed at '1e-5, 1e0', minor tick num= 4 would lead to the minor tick lines at '1e-4,1e-3,1e-2,1e-1' which is useful. So:allow minor tick num for log axes. ~> need to adjust the check for "uniform log ticks"

pgfplotstodo.tex:2913

**Feature Proposal** [cancelled, Priority 5]

idea: 'mesh/ordering=auto'. Just check for 'x varies' and 'y varies'! The two first points inside of a scanline are enough.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2215

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

improve support for circle / ellipse paths inside of an axis

compare <http://www.digipedia.pl/usenet/thread/16719/198>

[http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?thread\\_name=D595FD68-AFAB-4C1C-8B9D-A2F84D1A0598%40mac.com&forum\\_name=pgfplots-features](http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?thread_name=D595FD68-AFAB-4C1C-8B9D-A2F84D1A0598%40mac.com&forum_name=pgfplots-features)

pgfplotstodo.tex:2253

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

smith charts: provide the same as now, but mirrored (concentric from left end rather than right end)

pgfplotstodo.tex:2369

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

plot graphics for 3D axes.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2435

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

support for "spy" glass into particular parts of an axis

appears to work correctly!?

pgfplotstodo.tex:2443

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

It would be really great to have the possibility to attach a style to every nth row of a data table. For example, I would like to have a `\midrule` not after every line or after odd/even lines but after every fifth (or whatever) line.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2586

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

Konnodalplots fuer Ternary Axes

given: pairs of points  $(A_i, B_i)$  with  $A_i, B_i \in R^3$  for the connodals

aim: connect  $A_i - B_i$  for each  $i$  and create the binodal line

$A_1 - A_2 - \dots - A_n - B_n - B_{n-1} - \dots - B_1$

Remarks of stefan:

Im Anhang ist ein Beispiel gezeigt, wie es gehen könnte.

Noch einmal zur Klärung der Begriffe, mit denen ich gleich argumentieren werde:

- Binodale: Kurve
- Konode(n): Gerade(n) [engl.: tie line]
- Kritischer Entmischungspunkt: Ist der Punkt, an dem die beiden Punkte der Konode zusammenfallen. (nicht eingezeichnet)
- Mischungslücke: Das Gebiet, was von der Binodalen eingeschlossen wird. [engl.: miscibility gap]

Im Anhang findest du zum Einen die Daten-Datei und zwei mögliche Darstellungsformen. Das "gibbs\_phase\_diagram" ist die Darstellung im Dreieckdiagramm (was auch Gibbs'sches Phasendiagramm oder Gibbs'sches Phasendreieck genannt wird); "cartesian\_phase\_diagram" entsprechend im Kartesischen Phasendiagramm.

Wenn man die Daten generiert, bekommt man üblicherweise 2 Matrizen mit den jeweiligen Zusammensetzungen an den Enden der Konoden ( $A_y$  bzw.  $B_y$ , wobei  $y$  die jeweilige Komponente ist). Diese kann man dann einfach nebeneinander setzen und erhält z.B. das mitgelieferte Textfile. Jetzt könnte man schon einmal die Binodale zeichnen. Dazu generiert mein Kollege in Matlab eine neue Matrix, indem er die UpDownGeflippte-Matrix B unter die Matrix A hängt und diese dann zeichnen lässt. Damit die Binodale "schön rund" ist, erzeugt man häufig mehr Punktepaare, als man nachher als Konoden anzeigen lassen möchte. In den mitgelieferten Plots ist so nur jede 5. Konode eingezeichnet.

Die Frage ist nun, wie man das Abfragen der Konoden gestalten kann. Dafür gäbe es jetzt die Möglichkeit einen Key zu erstellen, der sowas sagt wie "plot every Xth tie line".

Ich denke mal, du brauchst auch noch einen schönen Namen den Aufruf dieses Spezialfalls. Da diese zum Zeichnen von Mischungslücken dient, wäre der Englische Name dafür (s.o.) eine Möglichkeit.

was mir noch eingefallen ist:

- Zuweisung der Spalten Es sollte weiterhin möglich sein, Spalten zuzuweisen. Die Frage ist jetzt nur, wie man das macht. Am Einfachsten dürfte es sein, in den ersten 3 Spalten nach den Namen zu suchen. Sollte sie dort nicht gefunden werden, sollte eine Fehlermeldung erscheinen. Zum Zuweisen der "zweiten" dazugehörigen Spalte sollte zu der gefundenen Spaltennummer 3 hinzuaddiert werden. Metadaten können somit erst ab der 7. Spalte auftauchen.

- kartesische Darstellung hier hatte ich vergessen zu erwähnen, wie dies überhaupt funktioniert (vielleicht hast du es aber auch schon alleine herausbekommen).

Da sich die 3. Komponente immer als Differenz zu den gezeigten beiden ergibt, ist diese nicht zwingend zum Darstellen erforderlich. Ausgehend von

der gleichen gegebenen table-Datei muss nun nur noch angegeben werden, welche beiden Komponenten dargestellt werden sollen. Dies sollte wie schon oben beschrieben wurde möglich sein.

Das Plotten sollte dann out-of-the-box möglich sein.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2609

#### **Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

output cs:

- implement automatic limit computation  $\rightsquigarrow$  I prepared something like that; use it. I guess I'll need to convert the streamed data to the accepted format of the axis, at least in order to update limits.
- IDEA:
  - provide the “data cs” as option (not “output cs”)
  - convert to the required axis cs automatically before limits are checked
  - keep the converted coordinate system

pgfplotstodo.tex:2635

#### **Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

write better on-the-fly table generation support like

```
\addplot table[y=create col/linear regression{x=Basis,y=L2/ref_h,xmode=log,ymode=log},]
```

pgfplotstodo.tex:2639

#### **Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

improve access to ‘create on use’ things in addplot table.

pgfplotstodo.tex:2644

#### **Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

linear regression: at least when used inside of addplot table, the initial values of x,y,xmode,y mode should be acquired from pgfplots!

pgfplotstodo.tex:2878

#### **Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

I got several feature requests for non-cartesian axes. Perhaps there is a way to generalize the complete procedure... as far as I remember, I use the pointxyz routines anyway to place tick marks and so on. Perhaps it can be reconfigured to do something “advanced”. Idea: nonlinear transformation into the axis combined with special drawing routines for the axis? ternary diagrams <http://staff.aist.go.jp/a.noda/programs/ternary/ternary-en.html>. smith charts <http://www.mathworks.com/access/helpdesk/help/toolbox/rf/f2-999699.html> <http://www.suart.de/lehre/smithdgr.pdf>

pgfplots todo.tex:2896

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

smith charts

<http://www.suart.de/lehre/tutorien.xhtml#smishort>

<http://www.suart.de/lehre/smithdgr.pdf>

[www.amanogawa.com/archive/docs/G-tutorial.pdf](http://www.amanogawa.com/archive/docs/G-tutorial.pdf)

<http://www.mathworks.com/access/helpdesk/help/toolbox/rf/f2-999699.html>

ok, basic things work todo still:

- UI for default tick positions
- dense `smithchart` ticks is not perfect
- there are problems with limits beyond  $\pm 16000$

pgfplots todo.tex:2977

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

provide a `\numplotsperplotheadler` or something like that. This would improve things for bar plots!

pgfplots todo.tex:3283

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

external lib + makefile support: provide data files automatically as prereqs

pgfplots todo.tex:3296

**Feature Proposal** [closed, Priority 5]

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