progressbar
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Abstract
This package allows you to easily visualize shares of total amounts in the form of a bar. So basically you can convert a number like 0.735 to using the command \progressbar{0.735}.
Of course also a lot of customizations are possible (like this: ).

\progressbar[width=textwidth, heighta=3cm, filledcolor= red, emptycolor=green, borderwidth=5pt, tickswidth =2.5pt, roundnessr=0.5, subdivisions=20]{0.55}

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1 Installation

Make sure the file \texttt{progressbar.sty} is placed somewhere, where \LaTeX can find it. Usually that means, you simply download the package \texttt{progressbar} with the \LaTeX-package-manager of your choice.

1.1 Dependencies

You also have to ensure that all packages needed by \texttt{progressbar} are present (some package-managers do this for you). The dependencies are:

- calc
- kvsetkeys
- kvoptions
- tikz

2 How to use \texttt{progressbar}

Like any other package, to use \texttt{progressbar}, you have to load it first. You do this with

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage{progressbar}
\end{verbatim}

or

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage[<options>]{progressbar}
\end{verbatim}

(You can find an explanation of all options in the section 3.)

Once you have loaded \texttt{progressbar}, you can use two different commands, described in the following.

2.1 \texttt{progressbar}

The command

\begin{verbatim}
\progressbar{} \progressbar[{}]{<number>}
\end{verbatim}

will draw you a progressbar with the share <number>. For example, \texttt{progressbar{0.666}} gives you this \texttt{[----------------]} . You would want to use only numbers in the interval $[0, 1]$, although other numbers are also possible (but will look just the same as \texttt{progressbar{0}} or \texttt{progressbar{1}}).

If you want one specific progressbar to look different than the others, use

\begin{verbatim}
\progressbar[<options>]{<number>}
\end{verbatim}
instead. This command is just the same as `\progressbar{<number>}` but allows you to manipulate the appearance of the current progressbar. So `\progressbar[width=5cm,height=1,filledcolor=red,emptycolor=blue!30]{0.75}` would look like this: 

![Progressbar Image]

In this case the options are only changed locally. (You can find an explanation of all options in the section 3.)

## 2.2 \progressbarchange

`\progressbarchange{<options>}`

In principle, the command `\progressbar{<number>}` uses the options specified with `\usepackage[<options>]{progressbar}` or the default options (if an option was not specified). As described in the previous section 2.1, you can override these options with `\progressbar[<options>]{<number>}`. However, if you want to change the settings for all following progressbar, you can use the command `\progressbarchange{<options>}`. So basically

```latex
\progressbar{0.3}
\progressbar[roundnessr=0.5,tickheight=1,tickwidth=1.5pt]{0.4}
\progressbar[roundnessr=0.5,tickheight=1,tickwidth=1.5pt]{0.5}
\progressbar[roundnessr=0.5,tickheight=1,tickwidth=1.5pt]{0.6}
```

gives you the same as

```latex
\progressbar{0.3}
\progressbarchange{roundnessr=0.5,tickheight=1,tickwidth=1.5pt}
\progressbar{0.4}
\progressbar{0.5}
\progressbar{0.6}
```

However, keep in mind that in the second case the options are changed globally. Therefore, all following progressbars will keep the changed design (as long as you don’t call `\progressbarchange{<options>}` with other options again). (You can find an explanation of all options in the section 3.)

## 3 Options

### 3.1 Global and local options

You can set global options when you load the `progressbar` with `\usepackage[<options>]{progressbar}` and with the command `\progressbarchange{<options>}`. These options affect all following calls of the commands `\progressbar{<number>}` and `\progressbar[<options>]{<number>}`.

However, you can override global options with local options specified with `\progressbar[<options>]{<number>}`.

3.2 Options, their defaults and how to change them

All listed options can be used globally and locally.

You will notice that some of the options are available with the prefix \texttt{r} (standing for relative) as well as with the prefix \texttt{a} (standing for absolute). I would recommend you to always use those options with the prefix \texttt{r}, as using absolute values might not interact too well with the rest of your document's settings. But as long as you know what you are doing, it’s up to you.

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{heightr} default=1
    
    The progressbars height as a fraction of the text height\footnote{I used the capital letter “T” as a reference for the text height.}
    \begin{verbatim}
    \progressbar[heightr=1]{0.1} A progressbar that has the same height as the text
    \progressbar[heightr=0.5]{0.9} A progressbar that has half the height
    \end{verbatim}

  \item \texttt{heighta} default=unused
    
    With this option you can define the progressbars height absolutely.
    \begin{verbatim}
    \progressbar[heighta=2 cm]{0.3} A progressbar that has the height 2 cm
    \progressbar[heighta=10 pt]{0.7} A progressbar that has the height 10 pt
    \progressbar[heighta=heightof{a} + 0.8 pt]{0.42} A progressbar whose upper border starts at the same height as the letter “a”
    \end{verbatim}

  \item \texttt{roundnessr} default=0.15
    
    \texttt{progressbar} allows rounded corners. With this option you can set them as a fraction of the progressbars height. You would not want to use numbers higher than 0.5.
    \begin{verbatim}
    \progressbar[roundnessr=0.25]{0.8} More rounder corners than the default
    \progressbar[roundnessr=0.5]{0.5} In fact no more corners -- complete roundness
    \end{verbatim}
\end{itemize}
More rounder corners than the default
In fact no more corners – complete roundness

\progressbar[roundnessa=2pt]{0} Rounded corners radius 2 pt
\progressbar[roundnessa=0 cm]{1} No rounded corners

You can also define the corners radius as absolute values.

width

\progressbar[width=5 cm]{0.123} Width: 5 cm
\progressbar[width=20 em]{0.785} Width: 20 em

The width of the progressbar.

borderwidth

\progressbar[borderwidth=2 pt]{0.6} Borderwidth: 2 pt
\progressbar[borderwidth=0.025 em]{0.3} Borderwidth: 0.025 em

The linewidth of the progressbars border.

subdivisions

\progressbar[subdivisions=3]{0.666667} 3 subdivisions and 2 ticks
\progressbar[subdivisions=15]{0.466667} 15 subdivisions and 14 ticks

As you may have noticed, (by default) the progressbar also has ticks. Those ticks splits the progressbar in multiple subdivisions. You can define the number of subdivisions with \texttt{subdivisions=<number>}. Therefore the number of ticks is \texttt{<number>−1}.

tickwidth

\progressbar[tickwidth=1 mm]{0.55} Tickwidth: 1 mm
\progressbar[tickwidth=0.1 pt]{0.4} Tickwidth: 0.1 pt

The linewidth of the ticks.

ticksheight

\progressbar[ticksheight=0.1]{0.22} Ticksheight: 10 \% of the total height
\progressbar[ticksheight=1]{0.88} Ticks are end-to-end

The height of the ticks as a fraction of the total progressbars height.
These options should be self-explaining. Just use xcolor-color-definitions (use color names or the syntax \texttt{<color-name>!<number between 0 and 100>}) for brighter colors).

```latex
\progressbar[linecolor=blue,tickscolor=orange,emptycolor=yellow,filledcolor=red]{0.6}
```

4 Changelog

2014/05/04 v.1.0b\textasciitilde{}4 version control for kvoptions updated (for unknown reason required version didn’t exist)

2013/01/06 v.1.0b\textasciitilde{}3 replaced `\progressbar@LoadFile@IfExist` with `\RequirePackage`

2012/02/18 v.1.0b\textasciitilde{}2 added version control for kvoptions

2010/10/02 v1.0b first release - all basic functionality

5 Acknowledgment

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6 Contact

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