

## The tikz package

This is a general purpose graphics package. To load it for this document, I used:

```
\usepackage{tikz}
\usetikzlibrary{matrix,arrows,decorations.pathmorphing}
```

There are now three ways to enter commutative diagrams using tikz: with the package tikz-cd, with matrix, and directly with tikz (listed roughly in order of decreasing ease but increasing flexibility).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\ \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\ C & \xrightarrow{d} & D \end{array}$$

```
\begin{CD}
A @>a>> B \\
@VVbV @VVcV \\
C @>d>> D
\end{CD}
(amscd)
```

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\ \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\ C & \xrightarrow{d} & D \end{array}$$

```
\begin{tikzcd}
A \arrow[r]{a} \arrow[d]{b} \\
B \arrow[d]{c} \\
C \arrow[r]{d} \arrow[u]{d} \\
D
\end{tikzcd}
(tikz-cd)
```

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\ \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\ C & \xrightarrow{d} & D \end{array}$$

```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\matrix(m)[matrix of math nodes,
row sep=2.6em, column sep=2.8em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{A & B \\
C & D};
\path[->,font=\scriptsize,>=angle 90]
(m-1-1) edge node[auto] {$a$} (m-1-2)
edge node[auto] {$b$} (m-2-1)
(m-1-2) edge node[auto] {$c$} (m-2-2)
(m-2-1) edge node[auto] {$d$} (m-2-2);
\end{tikzpicture}
(matrix)
```

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\ \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\ C & \xrightarrow{d} & D \end{array}$$

```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\node (A) at (0,1.5) {$A$};
\node (B) at (1.5,1.5) {$B$};
\node (C) at (0,0) {$C$};
\node (D) at (1.5,0) {$D$};
\path[->,font=\scriptsize,>=angle 90]
(A) edge node[above]{$a$} (B)
(A) edge node[right]{$b$} (C)
(B) edge node[right]{$c$} (D)
(C) edge node[above]{$d$} (D);
\end{tikzpicture}
(tikz)
```

## Using tikz-cd

Load<sup>1</sup> this with `\usepackage{tikz-cd}`. As the code on p.1 illustrates, the syntax for `tikz-cd` is similar to that of `array`. Note that `tikz-cd` handles large objects and tall labels better than `amscd`:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \times A \times A \times A \times A \times A \times & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\
 \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\
 C & \xrightarrow{d} & D
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\
 \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\
 C & \xrightarrow{A^A} & D
 \end{array}$$

The next example illustrates the use of different arrows in a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \longleftrightarrow & B & \longleftrightarrow & C \\
 & \searrow & \vdots & \swarrow & \\
 & & D & & 
 \end{array}$$

```

\begin{tikzcd}
A \arrow[hook]{r} \arrow[two heads]{rd}
& B \arrow[dotted]{d} \arrow[hookleftarrow]{r} \\
& & C \arrow[two heads]{ld} \\
& & & D
\end{tikzcd}

```

Now an example with labels on the arrows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xleftrightarrow{u} & B & \xleftrightarrow{u} & C \\
 \searrow b & & \vdots r & & \swarrow b \\
 & & D & & 
 \end{array}$$

```

\begin{tikzcd}
A \arrow[hook]{r}{u} \arrow[two heads]{rd}{u}
& B \arrow[dotted]{d}{r} \arrow[hookleftarrow]{r}{u} \\
& & C \arrow[two heads]{ld}{b} \\
& & & D
\end{tikzcd}

```

Long labels may cause problems:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \longrightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{\text{very long label}} & C \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 D & \longrightarrow & E & \longrightarrow & F
 \end{array}$$

```

\begin{tikzcd}
A \arrow[r] \arrow[d]
& B \xrightarrow{\text{very long label}} C \arrow[d] \\
D \arrow[r] \arrow[d]
& E \longrightarrow F
\end{tikzcd}

```

However, this can be fixed as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \longrightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{\text{very long label}} & C \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 D & \longrightarrow & E & \longrightarrow & F
 \end{array}$$

```

\begin{tikzcd}[column sep=large]
A \arrow[r] \arrow[d]
& B \xrightarrow{\text{very long label}} C \arrow[d] \\
D \arrow[r] \arrow[d]
& E \longrightarrow F
\end{tikzcd}

```

`tikz-cd` does not have a problem with objects of different heights.

$$\hat{A} \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n.$$

<sup>1</sup>Before using `tikz-cd`, check that your  $\text{\TeX}$  installation is using version 2.10 of `pgf` — you can do this by running  $\text{\TeX}$  on a file containing `\pgfversion`.

Curving arrows is easy.

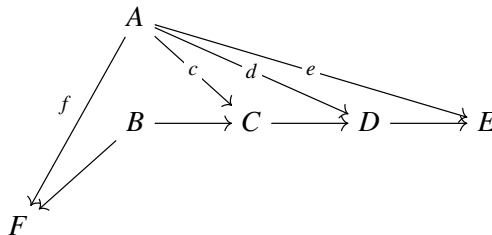


```
\begin{tikzcd}
A\arrow[bend left]{r}\arrow[bend right]{r}&B
\end{tikzcd}
```

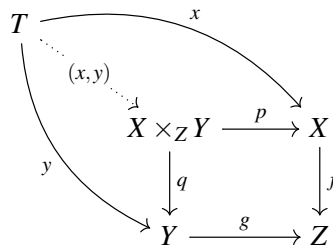
When a diagram is numbered, this is placed correctly:



Two more examples:



```
\begin{tikzcd}
&A&&& \\
&\arrow[ldd][swap]{f}\arrow{rd}[description]{c}&&& \\
&\arrow{rrd}[description]{d}&&& \\
&\arrow{rrrd}[description]{e}\\
&B\arrow{ld}\arrow{r}&C\arrow{r}&D\arrow{r}&E \\
F &&&& \\
\end{tikzcd}
```



```
\begin{tikzcd}
T\arrow[bend left]{drr}{x} \\
\arrow[bend right]{ddr}[swap]{y} \\
\arrow[dotted]{dr}[description]{(x,y)} && \\
&X \times_Z Y \arrow{r}{p} \arrow{d}{q} & X \arrow{d}{f} \\
&Y \arrow{r}{g} & Z
\end{tikzcd}
```

## Using matrix

The code on p.1 sets up a matrix named `m` with some options, and then places  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  at the four positions of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. The next line specifies normal arrows with labels in scriptsize and a nondefault arrow head, and the following line specifies an arrow from the (1,1) position of the matrix `m` to the (1,2) position with a label  $a$  in the default position.

Note that `tikz` handles large objects and tall labels better than `amscd`:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \times A \times A \times A \times A & \xrightarrow{a} & B \\
 \downarrow b & & \downarrow c \\
 C & \xrightarrow{d} & D
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \longrightarrow & B \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 C & \xrightarrow{A^{AA}} & D
 \end{array}$$

To my eyes, the arrow heads are too small.<sup>2</sup> This can be fixed by adding `>=angle 90`, as an option to the path or to the whole picture:

```

\longrightarrow \path[->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longrightarrow \path[->,>=angle 90](1,1) edge (2,1);

```

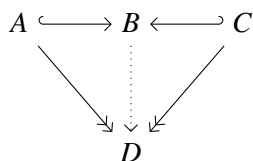
Here is the code for some arrows.

```

\longrightarrow \path[->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\llongrightarrow \path[|->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longleftarrow \path[-](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longleftarrow \path[right hook->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longrightarrow \path[->>](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longrightarrow \path[dotted,->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longrightarrow \path[dashed,->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\bullet\longrightarrow \path[*->](1,1) edge (2,1);
\longrightarrow \draw[double distance = 1.5pt](1,1) -- (2,1);
\longrightarrow \url{http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/12678/}

```

The next example illustrates the use of the different arrows in a commutative diagram



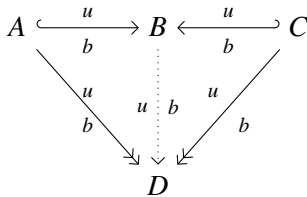
```

\begin{tikzpicture}[>=angle 90]
\matrix(a)[matrix of math nodes,
row sep=3em, column sep=2.5em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{A&B&C\\
&D\\
};
\path[right hook->](a-1-1) edge (a-1-2);
\path[->>](a-1-1) edge (a-2-2);
\path[dotted,->](a-1-2) edge (a-2-2);
\path[left hook->](a-1-3) edge (a-1-2);
\path[->>](a-1-3) edge (a-2-2);
\end{tikzpicture}

```

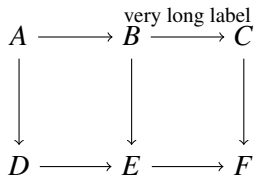
<sup>2</sup>See <http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/37320/> for an erudite discussion of this problem, with solutions.

Now an example with labels on the arrows:



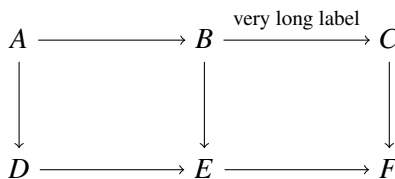
```
\path[right hook->,font=\scriptsize]
(a-1-1) edge node[above]{$u$}
node[below]{$b$} (a-1-2);
\path[->>,font=\scriptsize]
(a-1-1) edge node[above]{$u$}
node[below]{$b$} (a-2-2)
(a-1-3) edge node[above left]{$u$}
node[below right]{$b$} (a-2-2);
\path[dotted,->,font=\scriptsize]
(a-1-2) edge node[left]{$u$}
node[right]{$b$} (a-2-2);
\path[left hook->,font=\scriptsize]
(a-1-3) edge node[above]{$u$}
node[below]{$b$} (a-1-2);
```

Long labels may cause a problem:



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\matrix(m)[matrix of math nodes,
row sep=3em, column sep=2.5em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{A&B&C\\
D&E&F\\};
\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-1-1) edge (m-1-2)
edge (m-2-1)
(m-1-2) edge node[auto] {very long label} (m-1-3)
edge (m-2-2)
(m-1-3) edge (m-2-3)
(m-2-1) edge (m-2-2)
(m-2-2) edge (m-2-3);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

However, this can be fixed by setting `column sep=5.0em`.



`tikz` does not have a problem with objects of different heights.

$$\hat{A} \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n.$$

But that is because of the options `text height=1.5ex`, `text depth=0.25ex`. When you omit

them, you get:

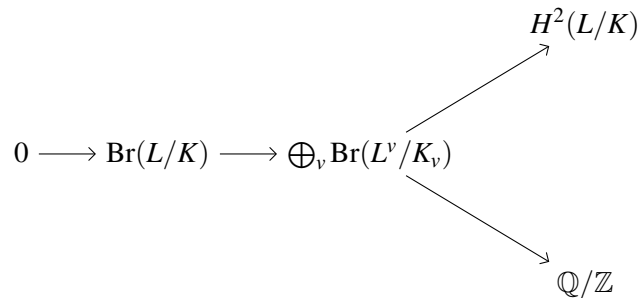
$$\hat{A} \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n \longrightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_n.$$

Curving arrows is easy.



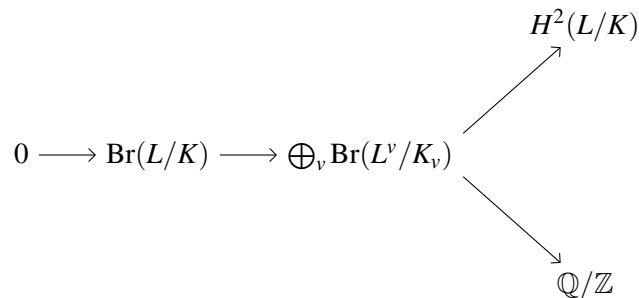
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\matrix(m)[matrix of math nodes,
row sep=3em, column sep=2.8em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{A&B\\};
\path[->]
(m-1-1) edge [bend left] (m-1-2)
edge [bend left=40] (m-1-2)
edge [bend left=60] (m-1-2)
edge [bend left=80] (m-1-2)
edge [bend right] (m-1-2);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

Arrows may not attach themselves correctly to the nodes:

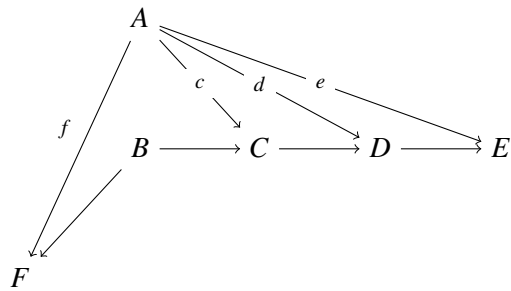


To fix this, use

```
(m-2-3.north east) edge (m-1-4)
(m-2-3.south east) edge (m-3-4);
```



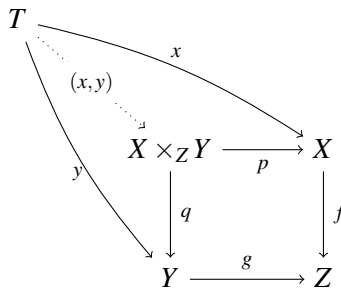
Two more examples:



```

\begin{tikzpicture}[descr/.style={fill=white}]
\matrix(m)[matrix of math nodes, row sep=3em, column sep=2.8em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{&A\\&B&C&D&E\\F\\};
\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-1-2) edge node[above left] {$f$} (m-3-1)
edge node[descr] {$c$} (m-2-3)
edge node[descr] {$d$} (m-2-4)
edge node[descr] {$e$} (m-2-5);
\path[->]
(m-2-2) edge (m-3-1)
edge (m-2-3);
\path[->]
(m-2-3) edge (m-2-4);
\path[->]
(m-2-4) edge (m-2-5);
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{pre>

```



```

\begin{tikzpicture}[descr/.style={fill=white}]
\matrix(m)[matrix of math nodes, row sep=3em, column sep=2.8em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{T\\&X\times_Z Y&X\\&Y&Z};
\end{pre>

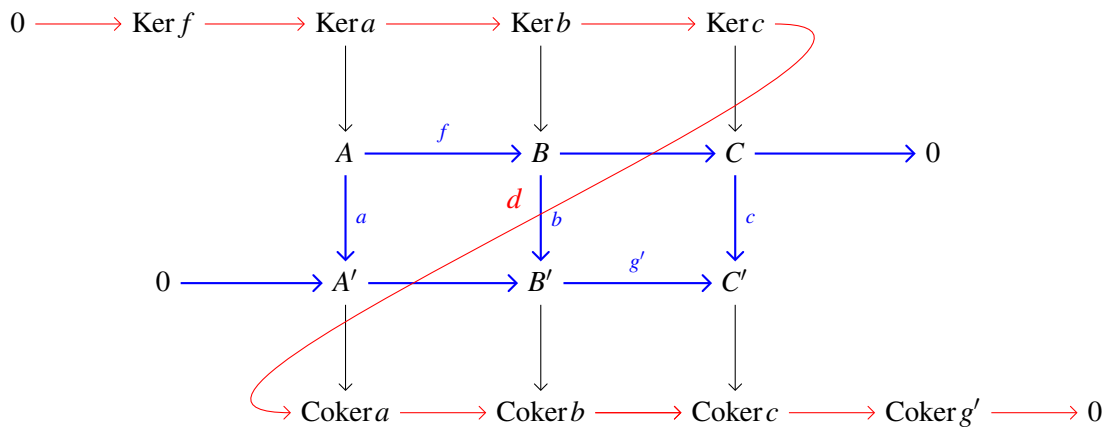
```

```

\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-1-1) edge [bend left=10] node[above] {$x$} (m-2-3)
(m-1-1) edge [bend right=10] node[below] {$y$} (m-3-2);
\path[->,dotted,font=\scriptsize]
(m-1-1) edge node[descr] {(x,y)} (m-2-2);
\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-2-2) edge node[below] {$p$} (m-2-3)
(m-2-2) edge node[right] {$q$} (m-3-2);
\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-2-3) edge node[right] {$f$} (m-3-3);
\path[->,font=\scriptsize]
(m-3-2) edge node[above] {$g$} (m-3-3);
\end{tikzpicture}
\]

```

One final example: the extended snake lemma says that the exact commutative diagram in blue gives rise to the exact sequence in red.



```

\begin{tikzpicture}[>=angle 90]
\matrix[matrix of math nodes,row sep=3em, column sep=3em,
text height=1.5ex, text depth=0.25ex]
{ |[name=00]| 0 & |[name=kf]| \Ker f & |[name=ka]| \Ker a & |[name=kb]| \Ker b & |[name=kc]| \Ker c & \\
& |[name=A]| A & |[name=B]| B & |[name=C]| C & |[name=01]| 0 & \\
& |[name=02]| 0 & |[name=A']| A' & |[name=B']| B' & |[name=C']| C' & \\
& |[name=ca]| \Coker a & |[name=cb]| \Coker b & |[name=cc]| \Coker c & |[name=cg]| \Coker g' & |[name=04]| 0 \\
};
\draw[->,font=\scriptsize]
(ka) edge (A)
(kb) edge (B)
(kc) edge (C);
\draw[->,font=\scriptsize,blue,thick]
(A) edge node[auto] {$f$} (B)
(B) edge (C)
(C) edge (01)
(0) edge (A')
(A') edge (B')
(B') edge (C')
(C') edge (02)
(02) edge (ca)
(ca) edge (cb)
(cb) edge (cc)
(cc) edge (cg)
(cg) edge (04)
(04) edge (0);

```

```

(A) edge node[auto] {$a$} (A')
(B) edge node[auto] {$b$} (B')
(C) edge node[auto] {$c$} (C')
(O2) edge (A')
(A') edge (B')
(B') edge node[auto] {$g'$} (C');
\draw[->,font=\scriptsize]
(A') edge (ca)
(B') edge (cb)
(C') edge (cc);
\draw[->,red]
(O0) edge (kf)
(kf) edge (ka)
(ka) edge (kb)
(kb) edge (kc)
(ca) edge (cb)
(cb) edge (cc)
(cb) edge (cc)
(cc) edge (cg)
(cg) edge (O4)
(kc) edge[out=0,in=180,red] node[above left] {$d$} (ca);
\end{tikzpicture}

```

For the last diagram, I added the following lines to the preamble

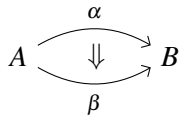
```

\usepackage{amsmath}
\DeclareMathOperator{\Coker}{Coker}
\DeclareMathOperator{\Ker}{Ker}

```

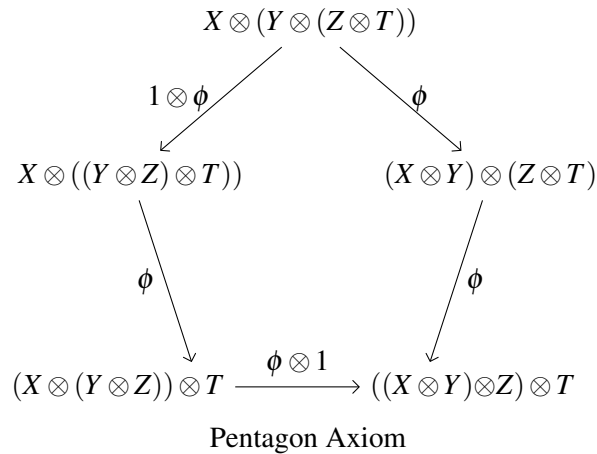
## Using tikz directly

Instead of using a matrix grid, you can use tikzpicture directly to construct a diagram.



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\node (A) at (-1,0) {$A$};
\node (B) at (1,0) {$B$};
\node at (0,0) {\rotatebox{270}{$\Rightarrow$}};
\path[->,font=\scriptsize,>=angle 90]
(A) edge [bend left] node[above] {$\alpha$} (B)
      edge [bend right] node[below] {$\beta$} (B);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

(rotatebox requires graphicx.)



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\node (P0) at (90:2.8cm) {$X \otimes (Y \otimes (Z \otimes T))$};
\node (P1) at (90+72:2.5cm) {$X \otimes ((Y \otimes Z) \otimes T)$};
\node (P2) at (90+2*72:2.5cm) {$\mathllap{(X \otimes (Y \otimes Z))} \otimes T$};
\node (P3) at (90+3*72:2.5cm) {$\mathrlap{(X \otimes Y) \otimes Z} \otimes T$};
\node (P4) at (90+4*72:2.5cm) {$(X \otimes Y) \otimes (Z \otimes T)$};
\draw
(P0) edge[->,>=angle 90] node[left] {$1 \otimes \phi$} (P1)
(P1) edge[->,>=angle 90] node[left] {$\phi$} (P2)
(P2) edge[->,>=angle 90] node[above] {$\phi \otimes 1$} (P3)
(P4) edge[->,>=angle 90] node[right] {$\phi$} (P3)
(P0) edge[->,>=angle 90] node[right] {$\phi$} (P4);
\end{tikzpicture}
```

Here I used `\mathllap` and `\mathrlap` to adjust the positions of the nodes. They require the package `mathtools`.

When you number a displayed commutative diagram

```
\begin{equation}
\begin{tikzpicture}
.....
```

```
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{equation}
```

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{a} & B & \xrightarrow{b} & C \\
 \downarrow c & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow e \\
 D & \xrightarrow{f} & E & \xrightarrow{g} & F
 \end{array}$$

(2)

the number appears below the level of the diagram. To centre the number, use:

```
\begin{equation}
\begin{tikzpicture}[baseline=(current bounding box.center)]
.....
\end{tikzpicture}
\end{equation}
```

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{a} & B & \xrightarrow{b} & C \\
 \downarrow c & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow e \\
 D & \xrightarrow{f} & E & \xrightarrow{g} & F
 \end{array}$$

(3)