

# Drawing Pie Chart by using `pgf-pie`

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## Abstract

`pgf-pie` is a LaTeX package for drawing pie chart (and variant charts). As stated by its name, it is based on a very popular graphic package PGF/TikZ. This document presents the usage of `pgf-pie` and collects some pie charts as examples. `pgf-pie` can be downloaded from <https://github.com/pgf-tikz/pgf-pie>.

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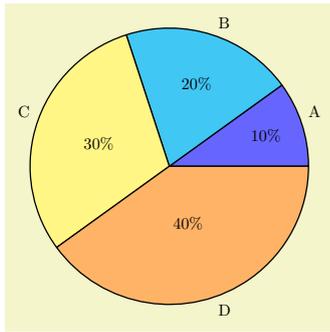
## 1 Usage

### 1.1 First Pie

`\pie` is the only command that provided by `pgf-pie`. The argument is a list of number and text combination in the formate of `number/text`, i.e. `10/A`, `20/B`, `30/C`, `40/D`. The result is shown in figure 1.

### 1.2 Position, Rotation, Size

The center of chart can be set by `pos`, default is `{0,0}`. The chart can be rotated by setting `rotate` (in degrees). The size of chart can be set by `radius`, default is 3.



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

Figure 1: The first pie.

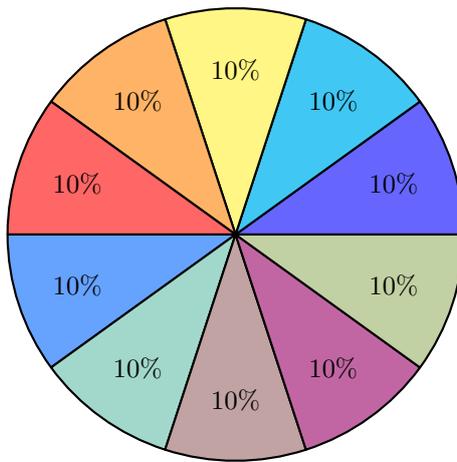
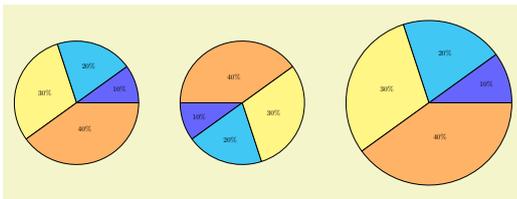


Figure 2: Default color wheel



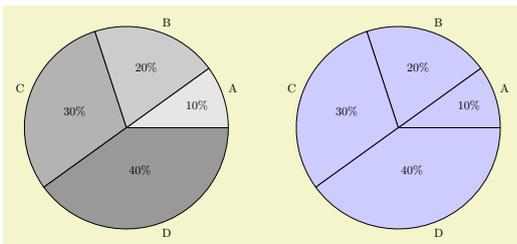
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie{10/, 20/, 30/, 40/}

  \pie[pos={8,0}, rotate=180]{10/, 20/, 30/, 40/}

  \pie[pos={17,0}, radius=4]{10/, 20/, 30/, 40/}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

### 1.3 Color

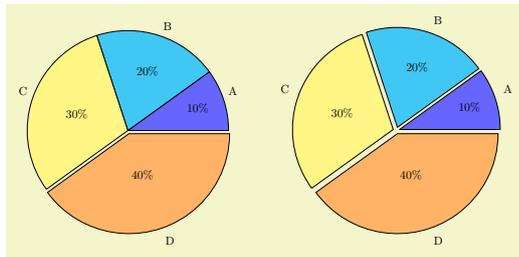
The color can be specified by `color`, the default color wheel is shown in figure 2.



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[color={black!10, black!20, black!30, black!40}]
  {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}

  \pie[pos={8,0}, color=blue!20] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 1.4 Explode

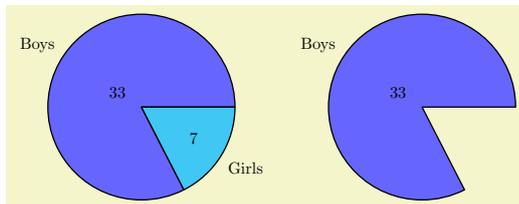


```
\begin{tikzpicture}
% explode list
\pie[explode={0, 0, 0, 0.1}] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}

% explode all
\pie[pos={8,0}, explode=0.1] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 1.5 Angle of slices

The value of `sum` indicates the sum of all data in the chart, it is 100 by default. It can be calculated automatically when `auto` is set. Then the angle of slices are determined by number value and `sum`.

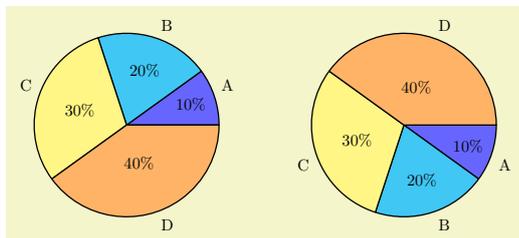


```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\pie[sum=auto, after number=, radius=2] {33/Boys, 7/Girls}

\pie[pos={6,0}, sum=40, after number=, radius=2] {33/Boys}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 1.6 Slice order

The slices order direction can be set to clockwise by setting `change direction`, default is counterclockwise.



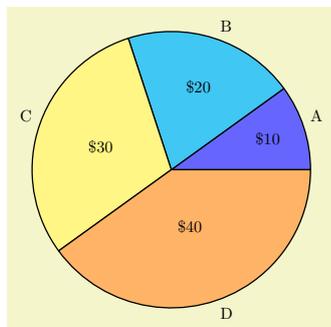
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\pie[radius=2] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}

\pie[pos={6,0}, change direction, radius=2] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 1.7 Text

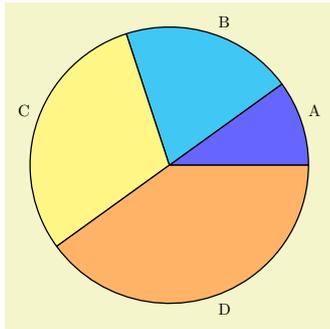
### 1.7.1 Number

Two parameters can be used to decorate number: `before number` and `after number`. Both are empty by default, but if `sum=100`, `after number` will be set to `%` automatically if user doesn't set it.



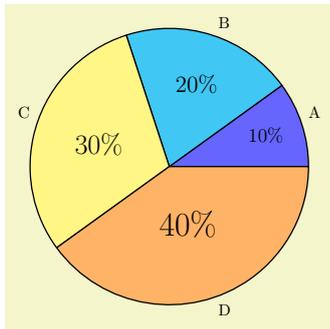
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
\pie[before number={\$}, after
number=,] {10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

The number also can be hide by `hide number`:



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[hide number]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

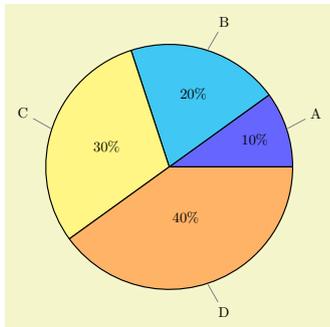
**Scale font** The size of font in size pie can be scaled according to how big the part is automatically.



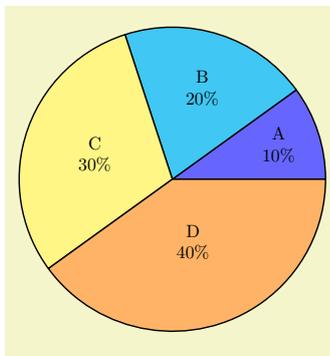
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[scale font]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

### 1.7.2 Label text

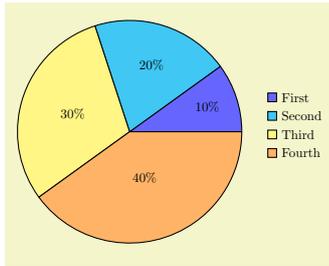
The value of `text` can be `label` (default), `pin`, `inside` or `legend`.



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[text=pin]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```



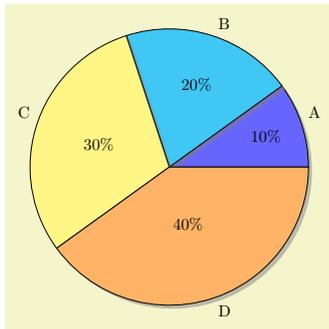
```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[text=inside]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[text=legend]{10/First, 20/Second, 30/Third, 40/Fourth}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 1.8 More about style

### 1.8.1 shadow

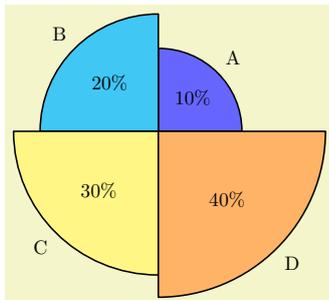


```
% \usetikzlibrary{shadows}
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[style=drop shadow]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 2 Variant Charts

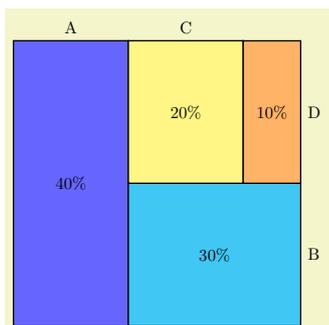
### 2.1 Polar area diagram

The polar area diagram is similar to a usual pie chart, except sectors are equal angles and differ rather in how far each sector extends from the center of the circle.



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[polar]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

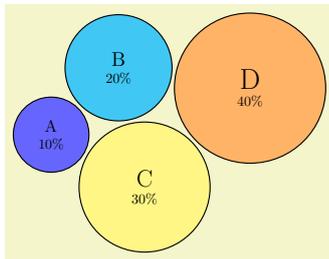
### 2.2 Square



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[square]{40/A, 30/B, 20/C, 10/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

Note: `explode` has no effects in square chart.

## 2.3 Clouds



```
\begin{tikzpicture}
  \pie[cloud, text=inside, scale
font]{10/A, 20/B, 30/C, 40/D}
\end{tikzpicture}
```

## 3 Examples

## 4 Acknowledgements

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