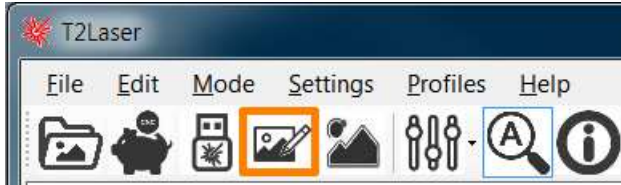


T2 Laser – Sketch Arc Text

1. Select the Sketch icon

- Left click to start a new Sketch or edit the existing Sketch
- Right click to open a previously saved Sketch

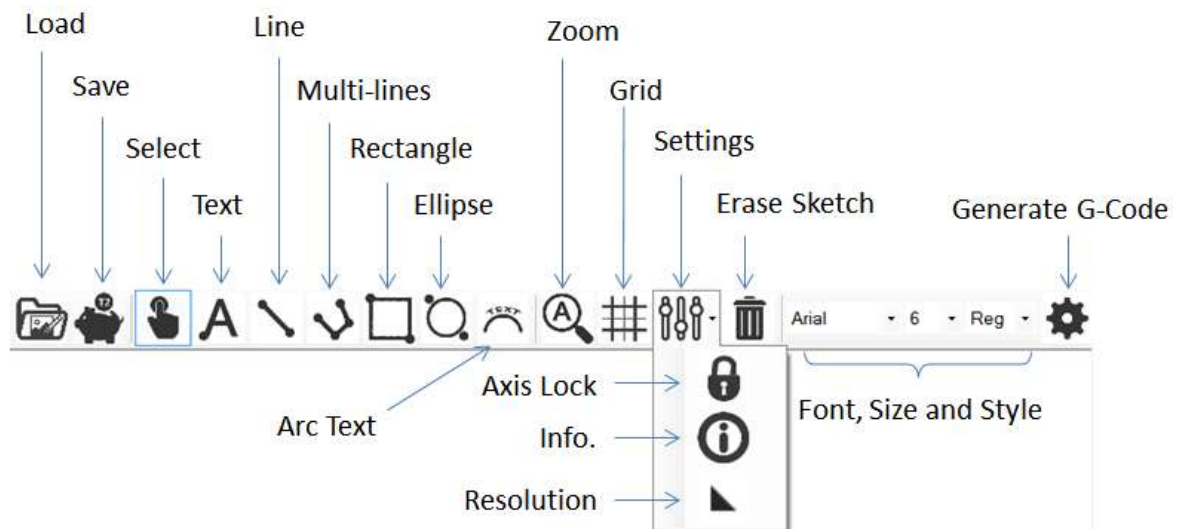


2. Creating a Sketch

- Enter the width (X) and height (Y) of the Sketch you plan to draw
 - Drawing size does not need to match your machine dimensions, and usually won't



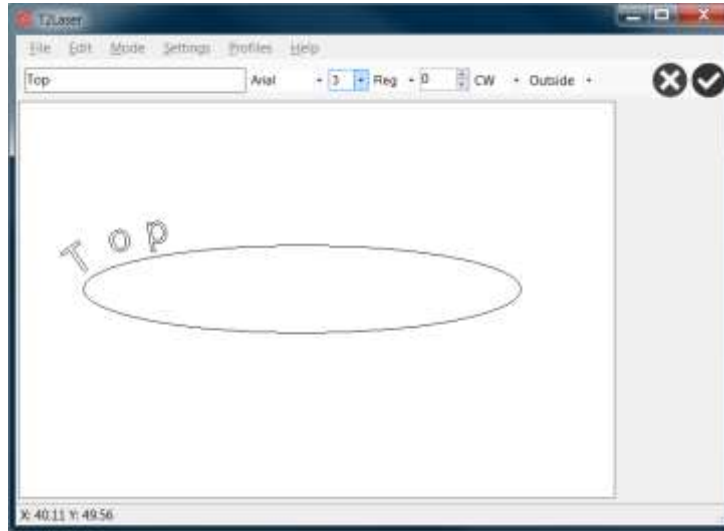
3. Generating the path



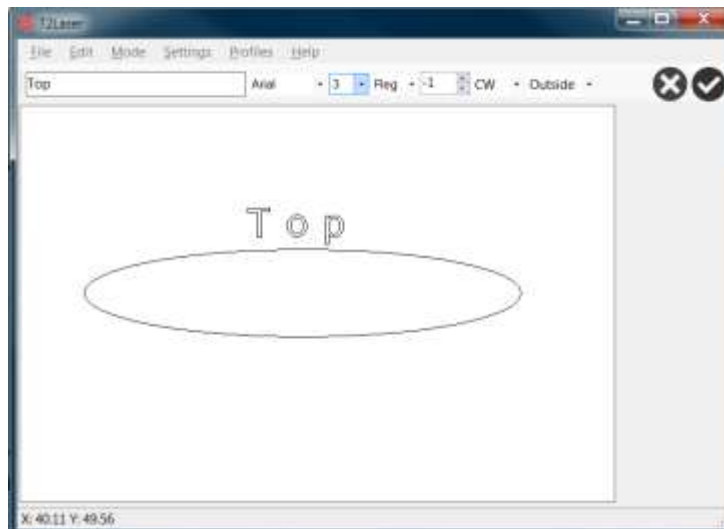
- Draw a circle (using axis lock) or an ellipse as the path for your text
 - This can be used again for additional text or deleted
 - Select the shape and click the arc text icon

4. Entering Arc Text

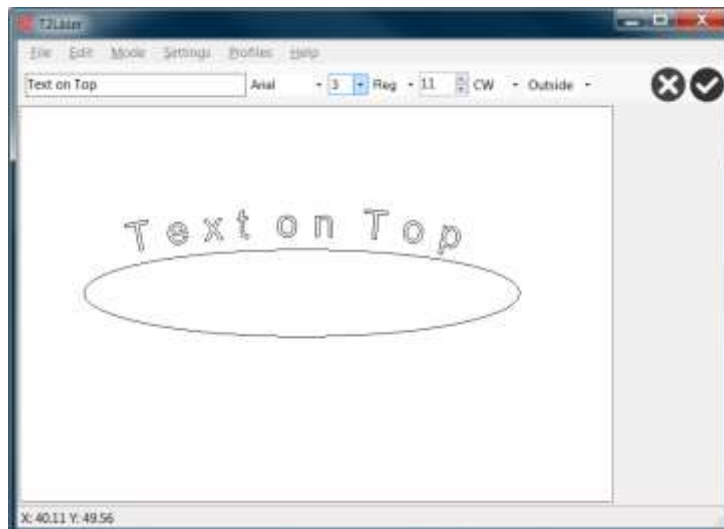
- a. Type the text, select the font family, size and style
- b. Press enter and the text will be displayed along the path



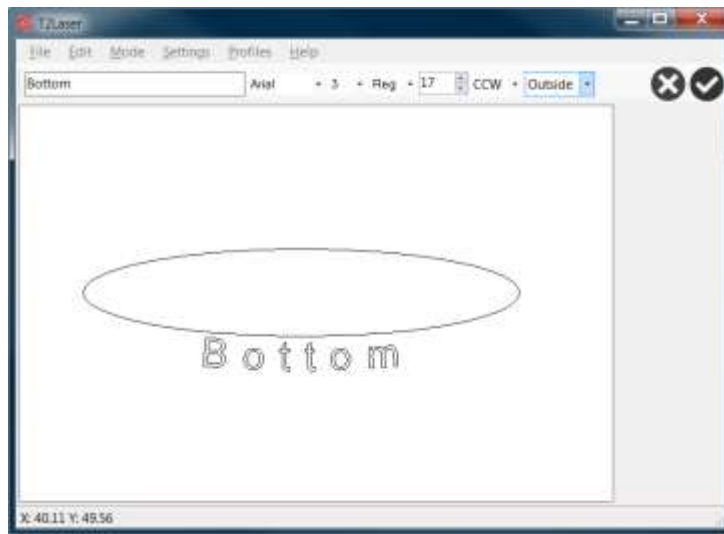
- c. Setting the offset to -1 attempts to center the text on the path
 - i. This will be accurate for mono spaced fonts but may be off depending on letter widths



- d. If necessary adjust the offset to the desired location



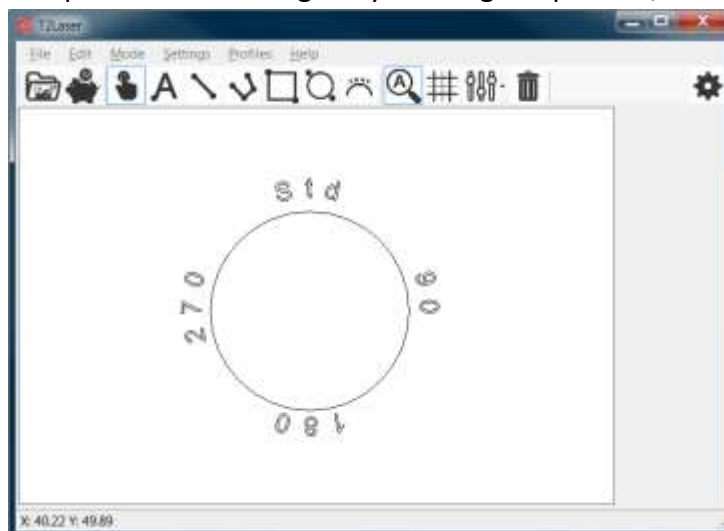
- e. The text can be placed on the opposite side by setting direction CCW



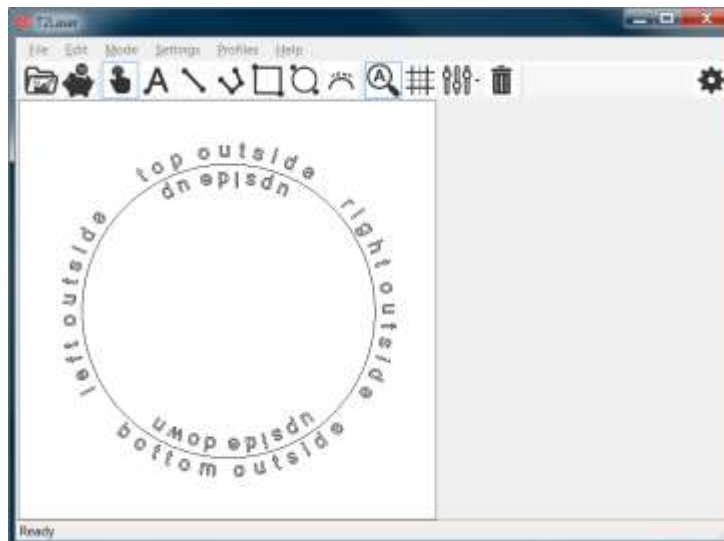
5. Tricks

a. Rotating the path

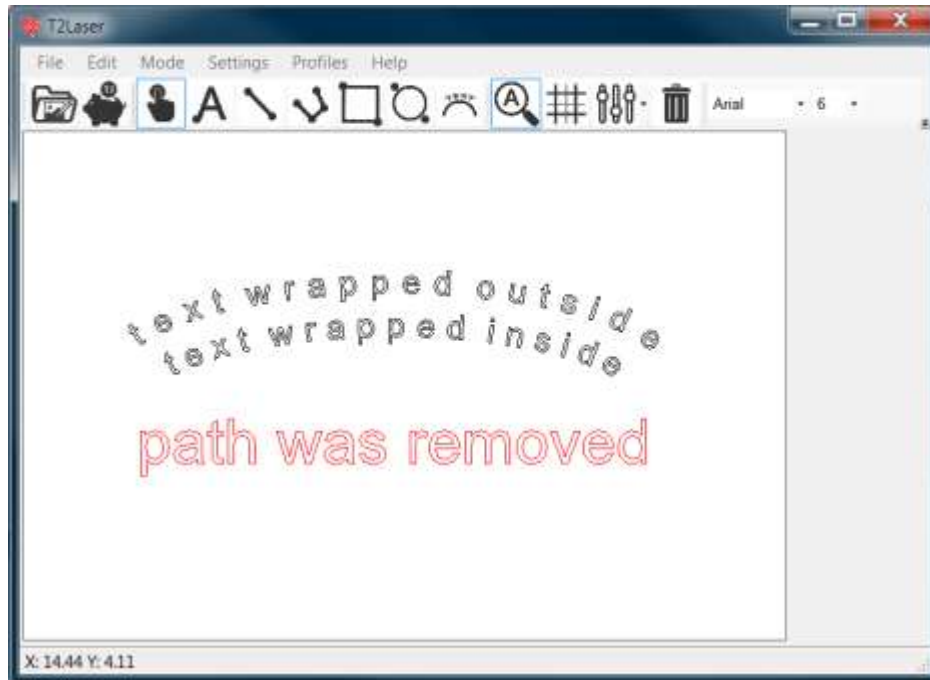
- In this example the text offset was the same for each entry
- The position was changed by rotating the path 90, 180 and 270 degrees



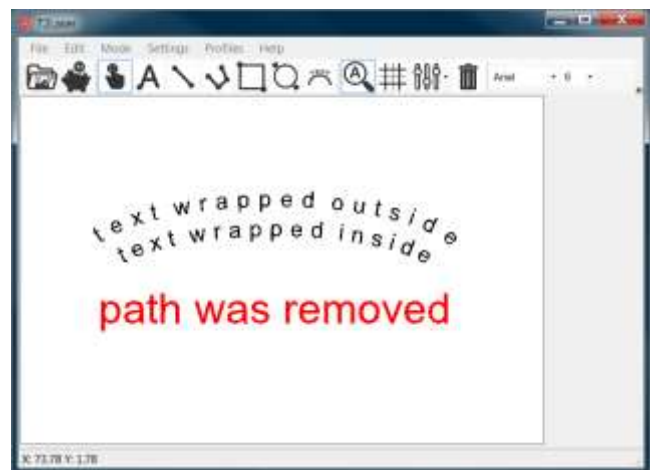
- This can produce many combinations, and is useful to place text at 9 o'clock



- b. Use inside for tighter spacing
 - i. In this example the path was also removed after adding both lines of text



- c. Arc Text with Sketch (Filled) and Sketch Plus (Overlay)
 - i. Add arc text to an image or enhance contrast with vector outline



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