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The isodiametric function can be thought of as measuring the height of the tallest peak in a van Kampen diagram for a presentation; in this talk I will discuss a refinement of this, namely a filling function that measures the overall "tameness" of the peaks and valleys in van Kampen diagrams. For Thompson's group F, I will discuss geometric properties of the Cayley 2-complex and a quasi-geodesic combing which lead to a proof that the tameness function is linear for this group. (Received September 17, 2010)