

# Center-Stage VBA Macro

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# Deliverable

- One excel VBA macro that will be run (eventually through a keyboard shortcut) in one of two conditions – the “Original” and the “Presentation” conditions. The macro moves the condition of the worksheet between the two
- When run in the Original condition, the macro will hide some columns that are currently displayed
- When run in the Presentation condition, the macro will restore the worksheet to the Original condition

# Original Condition

- There **is** a frozen section of the worksheet – that is, Freeze Panes has been executed to prevent scrolling from affecting a number of columns starting with the first column on the left
- There **may** be one **or more** columns already hidden
- One **or more** cells to the **right** of the frozen section are selected
- **At least one** of the selected cells is NOT empty
- If these conditions are NOT met, the macro should exit gracefully, leaving the sheet in the Original condition

# Example of Original Condition

- Columns are A\_f, B\_f, C\_f, D\_f, E\_fh, F\_f, G\_fh, H, I, J, K\_h, L..
- Here, \_f indicates that the column is part of the frozen section.
- “h” after \_ indicates that the column is also hidden (in the above example, there are two columns within the frozen section that are hidden and one outside of it that is hidden)
- A\_f, B\_f, C\_f, D\_f, E\_f, F, G, H, I.. is also a valid Original condition (here, no columns are hidden and A through E are frozen)
- Let us say columns L and M in both above cases are non-empty. Then, if cells L5 and M5 are selected and at least one of them is non-empty, then macro should assume conditions are met for proceeding

# Presentation Condition

- The frozen section is not altered in any way
- The unfrozen section is altered so as to hide all columns **between** the frozen section and the columns containing the selection
- In effect, the columns that the selection belong to are now adjacent to the frozen section and they are “Center stage”

# Restoration (Going back to Original)

- The macro must somehow keep track of hidden columns outside the frozen section in the Original condition
- When returning to the Original condition, these columns should continue to be hidden
- This is redundant information given that we have defined Original and that the macro restores to Original when run in Presentation mode, but just being emphasized for clarity
- It **may** be necessary to tag the worksheet in some way to indicate that it is in Presentation mode – an implementation detail left to developer

# Tests

- Verify that the macro does nothing when selection has only empty cells
- Verify that macro restores to Original condition with already-hidden (that is, before going into Presentation) columns in the non-frozen section correctly hidden as before



# Attachment

- The “Data” worksheet can be used for testing
- If cells O4:P4 are selected, then the conditions for running macro are not met, so the macro should exit gracefully
- If the cell BB23 or the group of cells BB23:24 and BC23:24 are selected, then after running, the display of row names should show “A,B..G,H,BB,BC,BD..”
- In this (Presentation) condition, if the macro is run, then the J,K..,BA should get unhidden (that is, I should still be hidden because it was hidden Originally)