pdfpc demo Test

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Starting up

Hi! Welcome to the demo of pdfpc, a PDF presentation tool.

Setting up

I assume you have opened this presentation with pdfpc itself. You may have one of these cases:

- The main presentation and the presenter view are on the correct screens
 - you are ready to go!
- ► The main presentation and the presenter view have the monitors swapped
 - restart pdfpc with the -s option
- You are viewing this on a single monitor
 - you are currently on the presenter view. You can get a good feeling of what pdfpc is good for, but you will have to take my word for some of the features
 - alternatively, restart pdfpc in the windowed mode with the -w option

The presenter view

The presenter view is the one on your monitor, visible only to the presenter

- It shows the current and next slides
- ▶ It shows how long the presentation is running
 - ▶ With the -d <min> option it shows a countdown timer
- It shows the current slide number and the total number of slides
- It shows overlay information (see next slide)
- It shows some additional status information (we will see it later)

Of course, the presentation view only shows the current slide

Basic movement

- ▶ You probably have guessed by now, but for moving forward you can use one of →, ↓, Page ↓, ↓ (Enter/Return),

 Space , and the left mouse button
- ▶ Likewise you can use ←, ↑, Page↑, ← (Backspace) or the right mouse button for going back
- ▶ Pressing ① (Shift) together with → or ← causes the movement to jump in 10-slide steps forward or backward, respectively

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More on overlays

Movement

- ► Normal movement while *inside* an overlay jumps through each step in the overlay
- ► ① + Page ↑ and ① + Page ↓ jump to the previous and next slide respectively, ignoring overlay steps
- ► ① + ↑ and ① + ↓ jump to the beginning and end of the current overlay

Definition of overlays

- pdfpc tries to find the overlay information automatically by looking at the page numbers
- ► If the automatic detection does not work, you can define overlays with Ctrl + O on every slide composing an overlay

Jumping to specific slides

- ▶ Pressing G you can enter a slide number to jump to
 - ► To come back to this slide you can use the the combination or remember that we are on slide 7.
- ► Pressing (Tab) or the middle mouse button you get an overview of the whole presentation, which you can use to jump around
- ► Press M to bookmark a present slide; press ① + M to return to it afterwards
- Hyperlinks also work, press here to jump to the first slide
- ► Home and End also work as expected

Notes

- ► Pressing Ctrl + N you can annotate slides (text only)
 - ► Try it now!
- ▶ Pressing Esc exits the note editing mode
- The notes are stored automatically
- ▶ The notes apply to all the slides in an overlay

Controlling the presentation view

- ► Pressing F you can freeze the presentation view, i.e. slide movement does not reflect on the presentation view
 - ► This is useful if you want to search for some slide without confusing the audience with quick slide flipping
- Pressing B you can fade to black the presentation view
 - ► This is useful e.g. if you are using slides and a blackboard at the same time
- Pressing H will entirely hide the presentation view
 - ► This can be useful for showing a different application during the presentation
- ▶ Pressing again any of the F, B or H keys undoes the respective presentation view change. Alternatively, hit Esc to return to the regular state
- ► The presenter view shows some icons reflecting the current status

Controlling the clock

- ► With S you can start the clock at the beginning of the presentation
 - Note that the clock also starts automatically when moving slides
- ▶ With P you can pause the clock
 - Useful for rehearsal talks
- ▶ With Ctrl + T you can reset the timer

Annotation modes

- pdfpc has a built-in "laser" pointer. To switch the pointer mode on, press 2
 - ► The pointer size can be adjusted with the + and keys
 - A rectangular area can be highlighted by using the drag mouse motion
- ► Press 3 to enter the drawing mode with the pen tool selected
 - ▶ Again, use + and to alter the size of the drawing tool
- ▶ Press 4 to use the eraser tool, if needed
 - ▶ Or you can clear the entire current-page drawing with C
- Press 1 to return to the normal presentation mode
- ▶ The drawings will stay on the slides you made them
 - Press D to toggle them on/off globally
- The drawings will not be saved when you exit pdfpc

Toolbox

Overwhelmed with the key bindings to memorize? Fear not!

- ▶ Press T to invoke the toolbox
 - ▶ On tablet devices, it is enabled by default
- Use its handle to drag around the screen
- ► The first button minimizes/restores the toolbox
- ► The next four buttons switch between the normal, pointer, pen, and eraser modes
 - In the drawing modes, more controls will appear the size and color selectors
- Then come the toggles to freeze, fade to black or hide the presentation view, and pause/restart the timer

Finishing

- ► Some people like having support slides after their "last" slide
 - Advanced topics, bibliography, expected questions, etc.
- ► Pressing Ctrl + E you can define this to be the end slide in the presentation
 - The slide count in the presenter view gets updated, to give you
 a better overview of how many slides are left
 - ▶ It also updates the slide you jump to when pressing End
- ► To exit press Ctrl + Q

THE END

There are a couple of slides more with some additional information, but we do not want to show them to the audience if they do not ask for them

.pdfpc files

- ► The additional information needed for the presentation (duration, notes, end slide, etc.) is stored in an additional file with extension .pdfpc
- ▶ Most of the time this file is automatically handled
- ▶ If you ever need to do changes by hand (e.g. if you modify the PDF after defining the meta-information) it is a text-based format easy to edit

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