

Presentation with beamer class

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In this presentation you will find some tips for using columns and overlays.

Creating columns

The beamer class offers several commands and environments for splitting (perhaps only part of) a frame into multiple columns.

These commands have nothing to do with \LaTeX 's commands for creating columns.

Columns are especially useful for placing a graphic next to a description/explanation.

The main environment for creating columns is called `columns`. Inside this environment, you can either place several column environments, each of which creates a new column, or use the `\column` command to create new columns.

```
\begin{columns}[<options>]  
  environment content  
\end{columns}
```

The following <options> may be given:

- b** will cause the bottom lines of the columns to be vertically aligned.
- c** will cause the columns to be centered vertically relative to each other. Default, unless the global option **t** is used.
- t** will cause the first lines of the columns to be aligned. Default if global option **t** is used.
- T** is similar to the **t** option, but **T** aligns the tops of the first lines while **t** aligns the so-called baselines of the first lines.
- t** **totalwidth=<width>** will cause the columns to occupy not the whole page width, but only <width>, all told. Note that this means that any margins are ignored.

Demo – columns

The syntax (for two columns on a slide) is the following

```
\begin{columns}[<options>]
  \begin{column}{.45\textwidth} % you can also say 5cm
    text content
  \end{column}
  \begin{column}[b]{.45\textwidth}
    text content
  \end{column}
\end{columns}
```

Three columns with option b

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Summary

You have noticed that if you want to have a picture in one of the columns, do not use the option `t`. In this case use only `T`.

By using columns you can enhance your presentation. It will be more readable and interesting.

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You can use `\pause` also for columns to show first column and after a while second one.

```
\begin{block}{}  
.....  
\end{block}  
\pause  
\begin{block}{}  
.....  
\end{block}  
\pause  
\begin{block}{}  
.....  
\end{block}
```

<code>\begin{block}{} \end{block} \pause</code>	<code>\begin{columns}[<options>] \begin{column}{.45\textwidth} text content \end{column} \end{columns}</code>
<code>\begin{block}{} \end{block} \pause</code>	<code>\begin{columns}[b] \begin{column}[b]{.45\textwidth} picture \end{column} \end{columns}</code>
<code>\begin{block}{} \end{block}</code>	<code>\end{columns}</code>

The syntax of (basic) overlay specifications is the following:

- They are comma-separated lists of slides and ranges.
- Ranges are specified like this: 2-5, which means slide two through to five.
- The start or the end of a range can be omitted.
- For example, 3- means “slides three, four, five, and so on” and -5 means the same as 1-5.

For the following commands, adding an overlay specification causes the command to be simply ignored on slides that are not included in the specification:

```
\textbf, \textit, \textsl, \textrm,  
\textsf, \color, \alert, \structure
```

If a command takes several arguments, like `\color`, the specification should directly follow the command as in the following example (but there are exceptions to this rule):

```
\color<2-3>[rgb]{1,0,0}{This text is red on slides 2 and 3,  
otherwise black.}
```

```
\textbf<1-2>{This text will be bold on slide 1 and 2  
but on slide 2 it will also be red.}
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This will be shown in all slides.

```
\begin{enumerate}
\item<1-> First point, shown on all slides.
\item<2-> Second point, shown on slide 2 and later.
\item<2-> Third point, also shown on slide 2 and later.
\item<3-> Fourth point, shown on slide 3.
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Demo – layers – \only

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```
\only<1>{
```

```
\begin{block}{}

```

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```
\end{block}}
```

Demo – layers – \only

`\only< 2 >`

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```

```
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Demo – layers – \only

`\only< 3 >`

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```
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```

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Demo – layers – \onslide

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Shown on all slides.

Demo – layers – \onslide

Shown on first slide. Shown on second, third and forth slide.

Shown on all slides.

Demo – layers – \onslide

Shown on first slide. Shown on second, third and forth slide.

- Shown only on third slide.

Shown on all slides.

Demo – layers – \onslide

Shown on first slide. Shown on second, third and forth slide.

- Shown from slide 4 on.

Shown from slide 4 on. Shown on all slides.

How it works?

`\visible`

```
\visible<1>{Shown only on first slide.}
```

```
\visible<2>{Shown only on second slide.}
```

```
\color<2>[rgb]{1,0,0} This text is red on slide 2,  
otherwise black.
```


How it works?

`\onslide`

Shown on first slide.

`\onslide<2->`

Shown on second, third and forth slide.

`\begin{itemize}`

`\item<3>`

Shown only on third slide.

`\onslide+<4->`

`\item`

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`\end{itemize}`

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`\onslide`

Shown on all slides.