Welcome To Presentate!

Tools for creating integrated dynamic slides.

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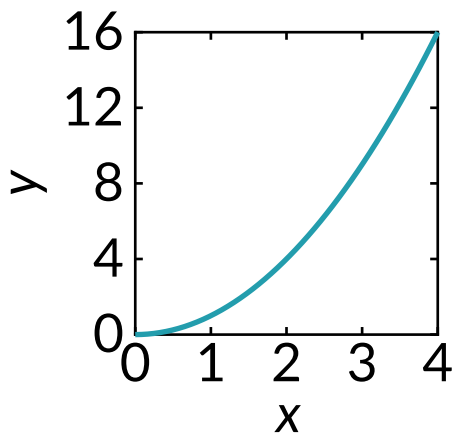

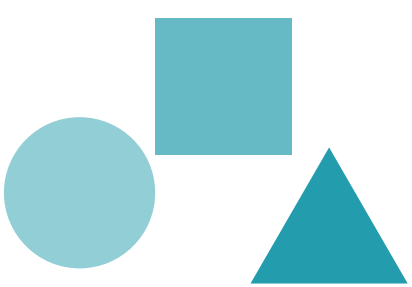

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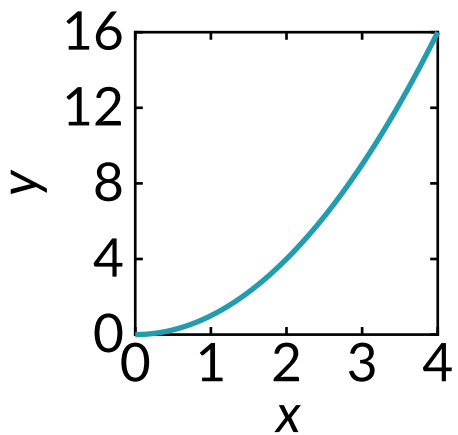

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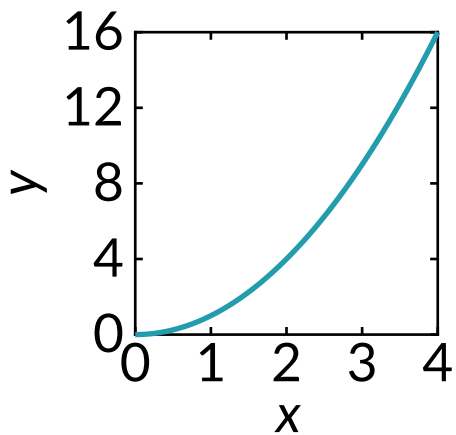

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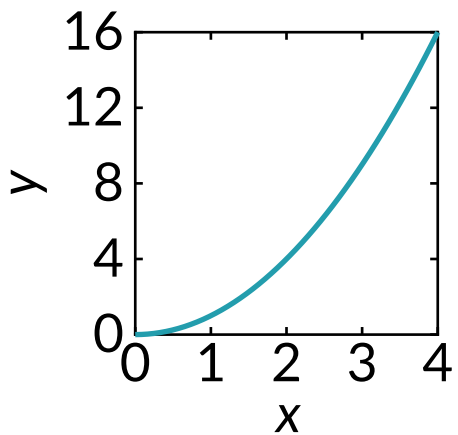

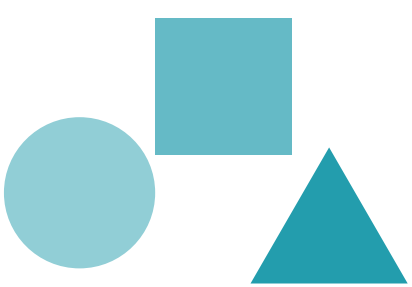

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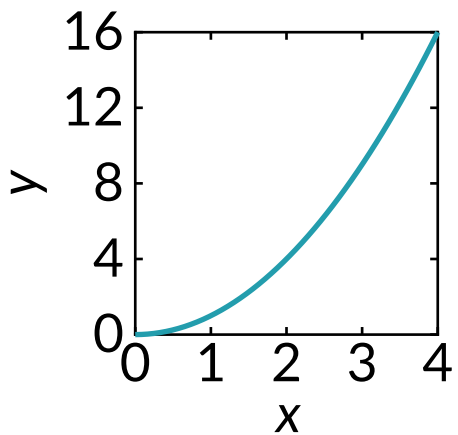

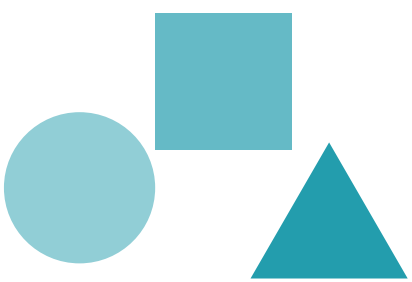

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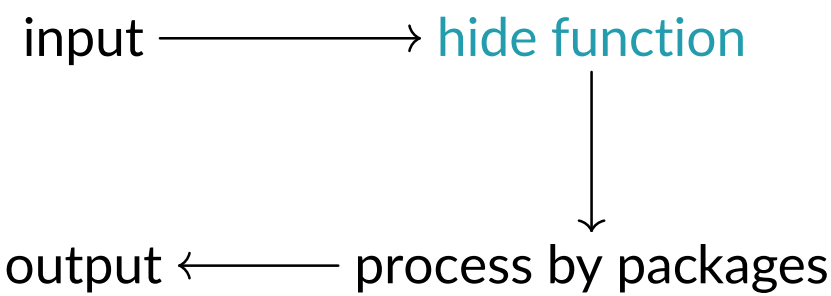

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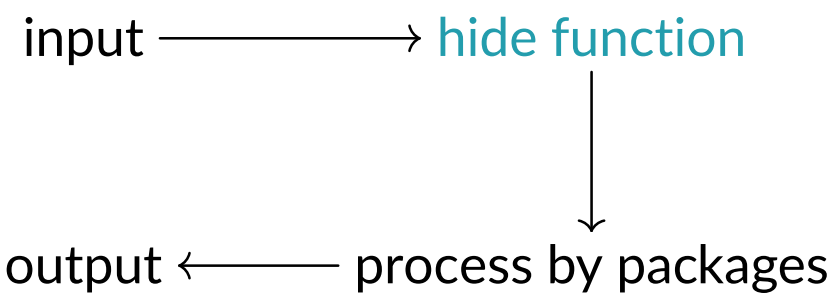

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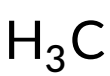

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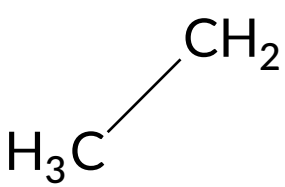

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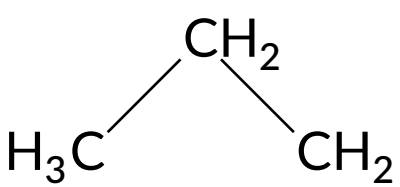

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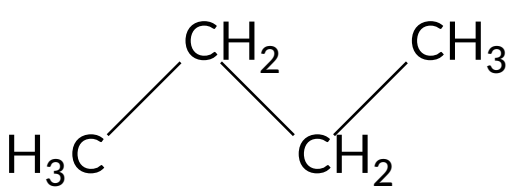

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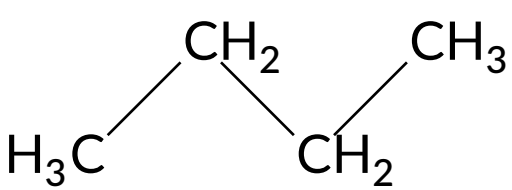

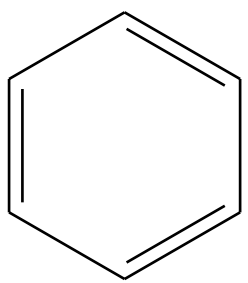

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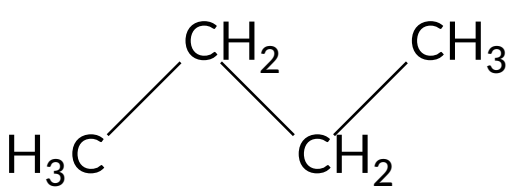

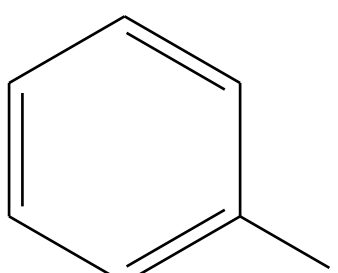

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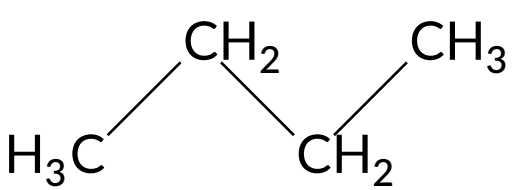

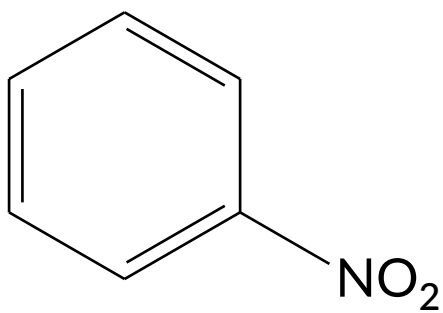

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2 Usage

2.1 Getting Started

Start with the following snippets:

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#set text(size: 25pt) // of your choice

#slide[
  Hello World!
  #show: pause;

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```

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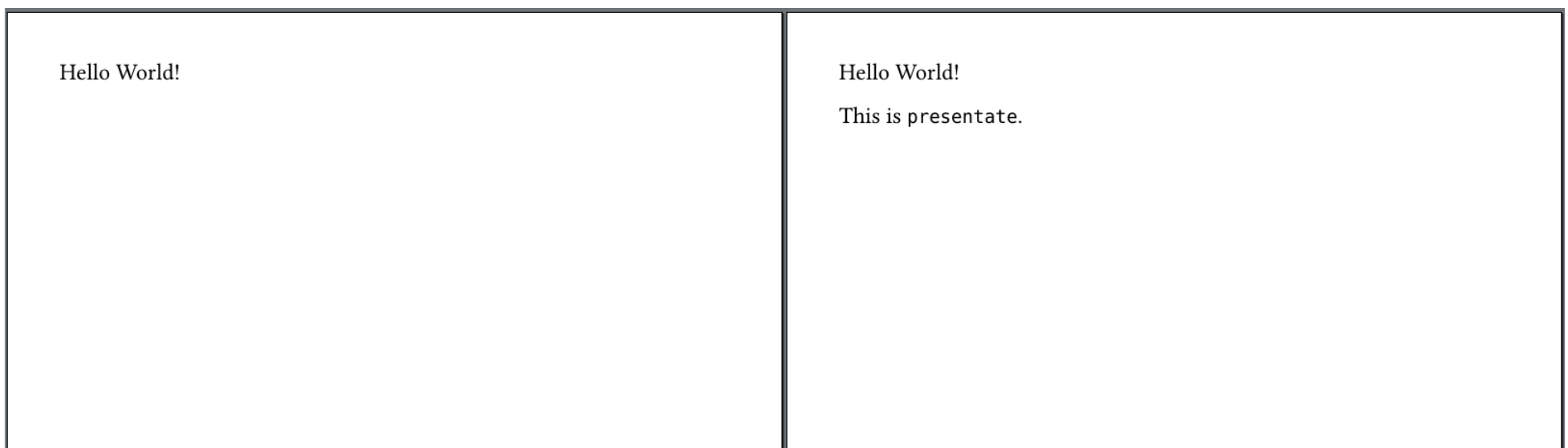
Then you will have:



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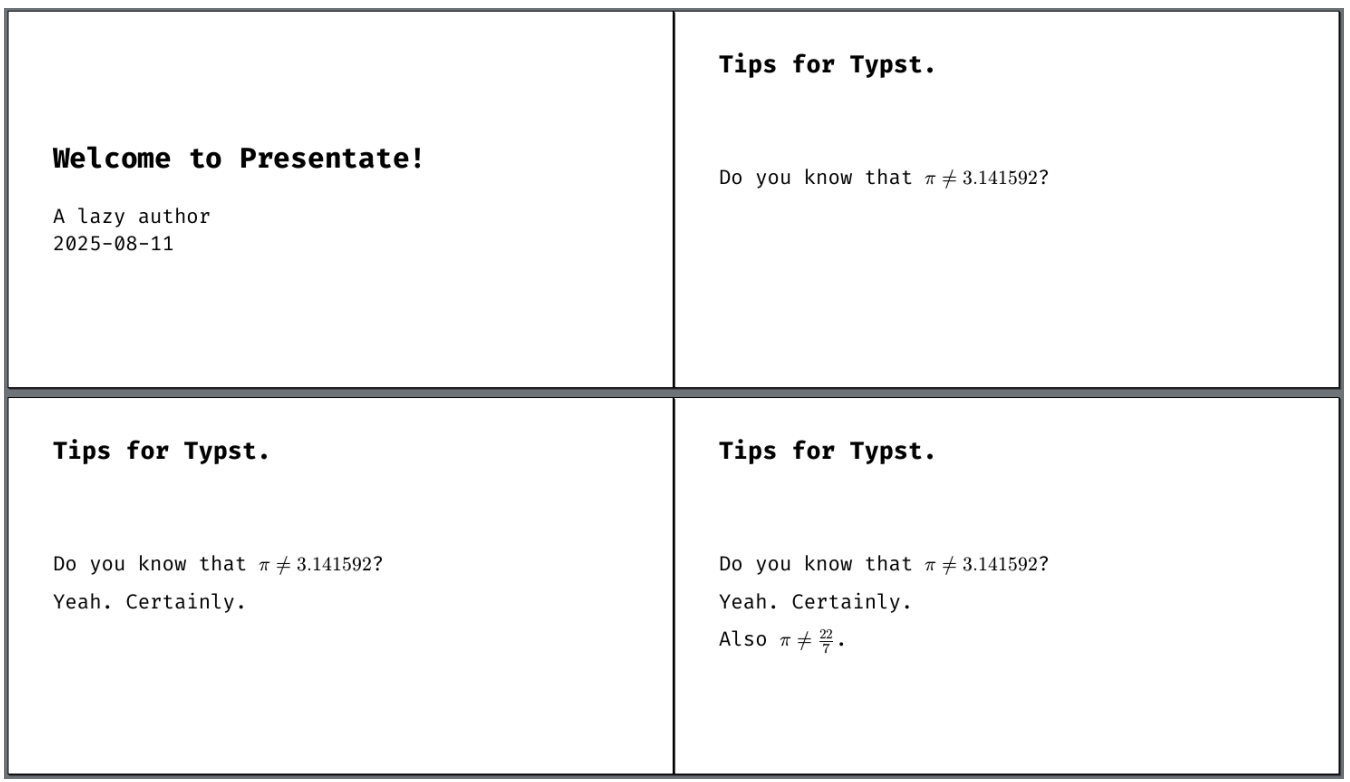

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It works by modifying `item` input and the markers with varying timeline of `#pause`.

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However, if you want other modes of *hiding* something? E.g. make it *transparent*. You can modify this with `#text.with(fill: gray.transparentize(50%))`:

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3
4  Hello!
5  #show: pause
6
7  It's gray
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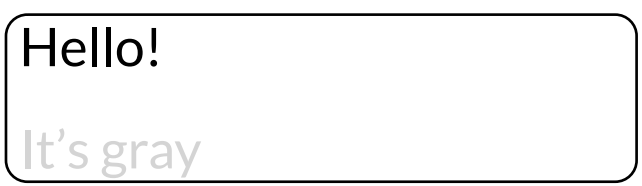
Output:



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For a more complex animation, `#only` and `#uncover` functions can control when the content will be shown based on given number of frames, or *subslide number*.

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Output: on subslide 1

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Not only integers can you use as subslide number, `#auto` and `#none` also can be used. What do they do?

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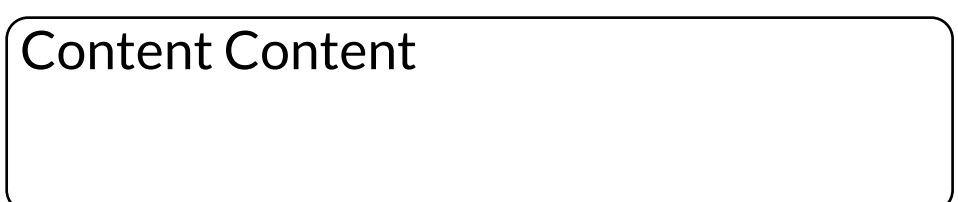

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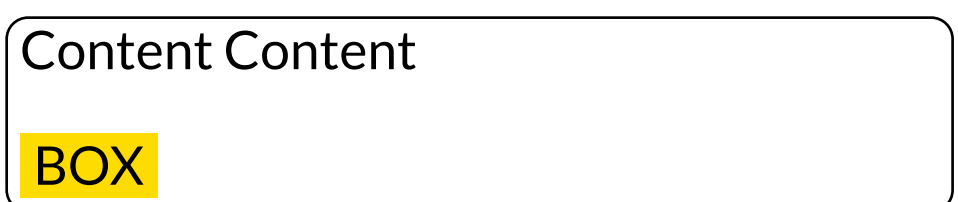

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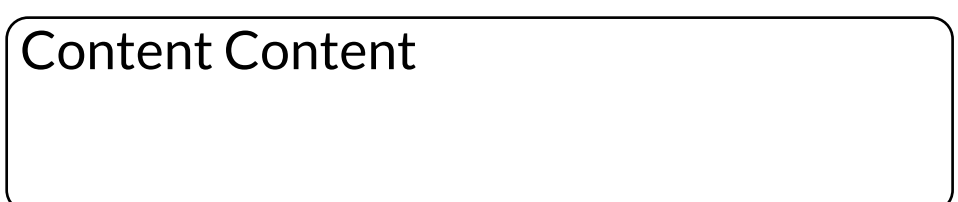

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Output: on subslide 1

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Output: on subslide 5

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If only the `#pause` 'sees' the `#uncover`'s presence, it would be good, right?

Yes, it can, by set the argument `#uncover(update-pause: true)`.

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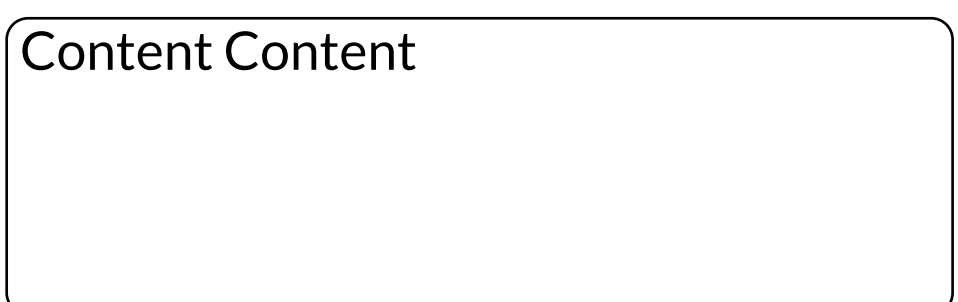

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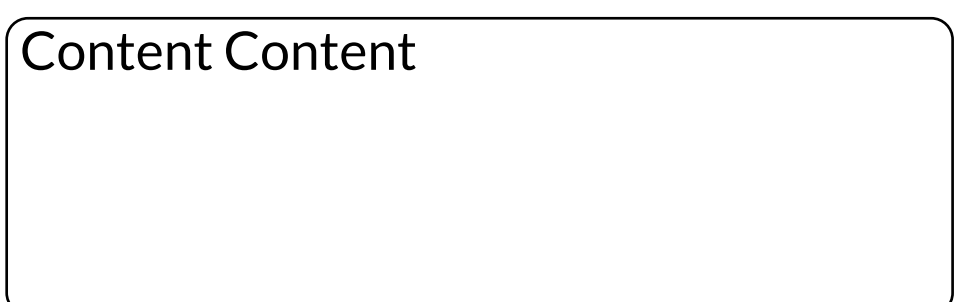

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Output: on subslide 5

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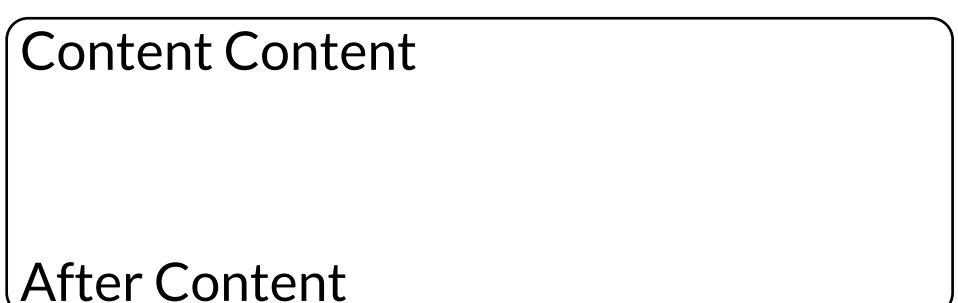
Output: on subslide 6



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Number of pauses can be varied and independent from actual number of `#pause`s.

If we use `#only` or `#uncover` to change them, for example:

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```
1  #grid(columns: (1fr, 1fr))[
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3    A #show: pause; B
4  ][ // `[]` is a dummy content.
5    #uncover(1, [], update-pause: true)
6    Second \ #show: pause;
7    A #show: pause; B
8  ]
```

Output: on subslide 1

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```

Output: on subslide 2

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A	A

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Output: on subslide 3

First	Second
A B	A B

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Moreover, you can set some content to be shown *before* one another by using *negative relative indices* such as `#(rel: -1)` in the example.

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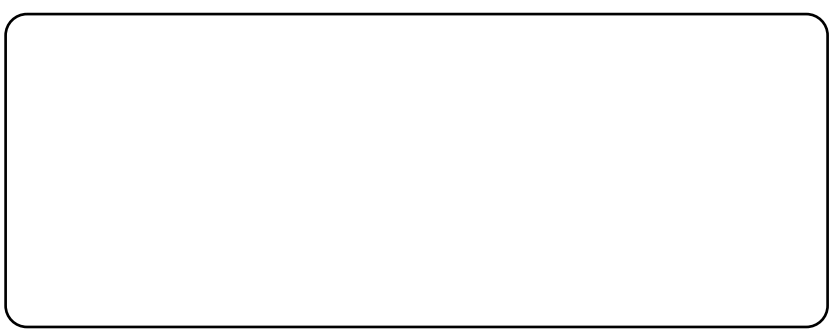

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2.11 The `#motion` workspace

I have dreamed about having an interface to modify the flow of animations as in Powerpoint or Keynote. This is the first attempt of how to do it, see the following example:

```
#motion(s => [#table(
      columns: (1fr, 1fr),
      tag(s, "A", [Ant]),
      tag(s, "B", [Bird]),
      tag(s, "C", [Cat]),
      tag(s, "D", [Dog])
)],
```

```
  controls: (
    "A",
    ("A", "B"),
    "C.start",
    "D",
    ("C.stop", "B")
  ))
```

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The `#motion` function accepts a callback `s => [..]` where `[..]` can be any content.

Inside the callback function, the variable `s` called the *status* is read by the *named* group of content indicated by their `#tag` function. This function has the following anatomy:

```
1  #tag(/* status */, /* ID */, /* body */)
```

where `ID` means the name of the group. It should be a unique string that you call this group of content, and `body` is the content to be “tagged”.

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Therefore, with the `#tag` function, the content has its own name. The sequence of displaying each content can be controlled precisely by specifying the `controls` argument of the `#motion` function using *their names*.

Just like moving around the control panel in Powerpoint.

Let's see the result and how to control the sequence of these contents.

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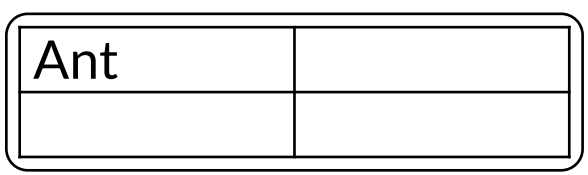

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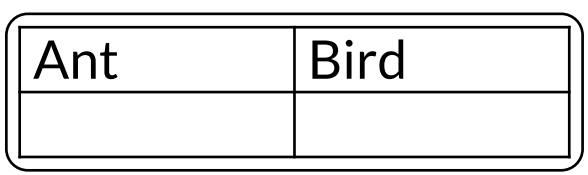

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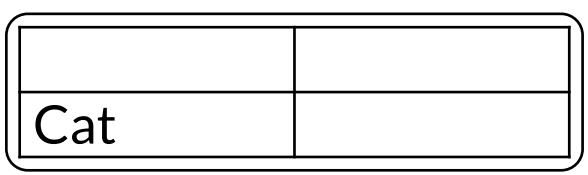

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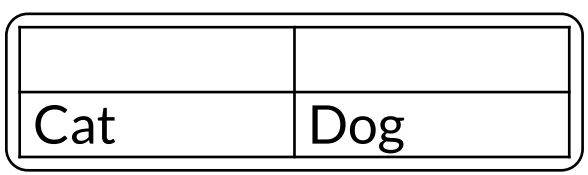

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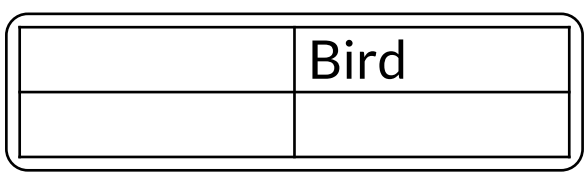

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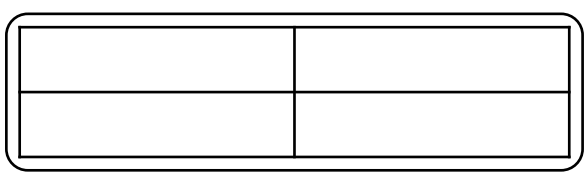

Note that, you can select your own `#hider` in each `#tag` or all in `#motion` function. See next:

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```
#import "@preview/cetz:0.4.2": canvas, draw
#motion(s => [
  #canvas({ import draw: *; scale(3)
    tag(s, "arc", arc((0, 0), start: 30deg, stop: 150deg, name: "R"))
    tag(s, "line1", line("R.start", "R.origin"))
    tag(s, "line2", line("R.end", "R.origin"))
  })
], hider: draw.hide.with(bounds: true), controls: (
  "line2.start", "line1.start", "arc.start"
))
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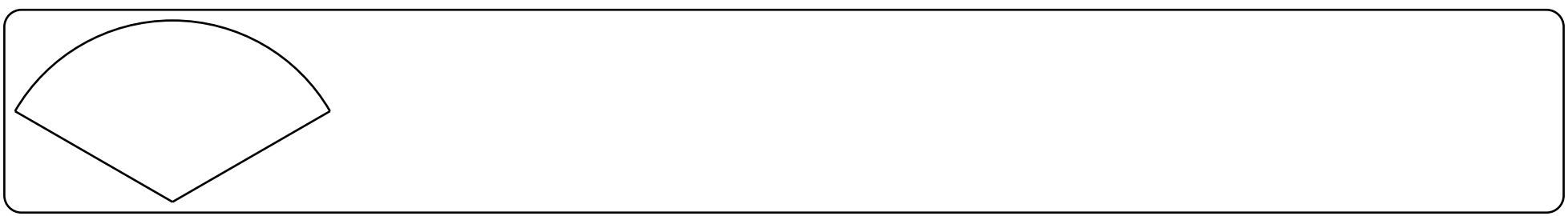

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3. **You have to update the state variable (`#s`) manually**.

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Example 1: Animated CeTZ[6] diagram. Create an animation drawing two circles, in green and red.

```
#import "@preview/cetz:0.4.2": canvas, draw
#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  canvas({
    import draw: *
    pause(s, circle((0, 0), fill: green,))
    s.push(auto) // update s
    pause(s, circle((1, 0), fill: red))
  })
}, s))
```

[6] https://typst.app/universe/package/cetz

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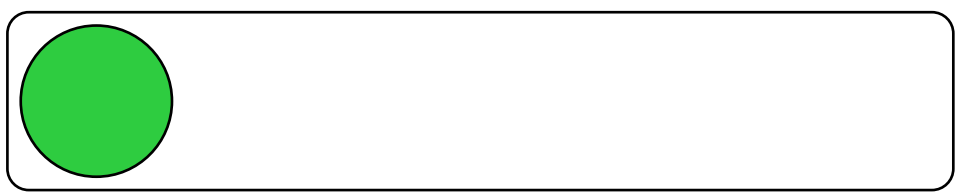
Output: on subslide 2



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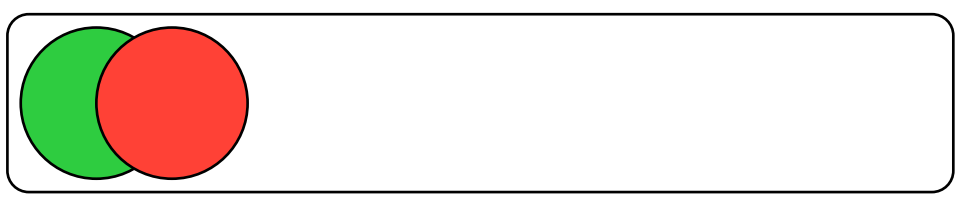

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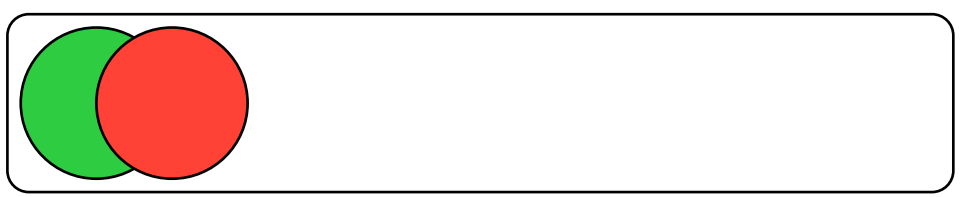

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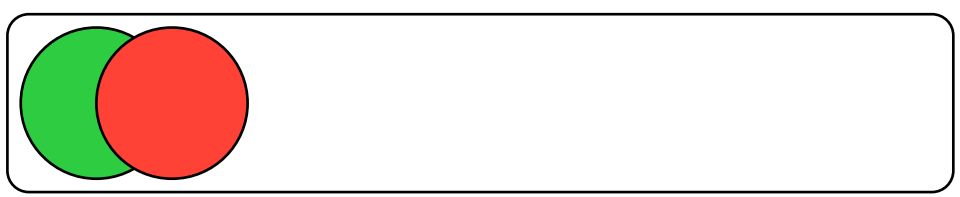

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However, you can change this by the `#draw.hide.with(bounds: true)` from native CeTZ to preserve space, by adding the following line before `#canvas`:

```
let pause = pause.with(hider: draw.hide.with(bounds: true))
```

Similarly, you can change the default hider functions to suit your package.

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You can change the default `#hider` by using `#settings` functions, which will return a dictionary containing the functions:

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- `(1, 2,..)` array of integers are pushed to set the **minimum number of subslides**, *without* updating pauses.

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Example 2: CeTZ drawings with `#uncover` and `#only`

```
#import "@preview/cetz:0.4.2": canvas, draw
#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  canvas({
    import draw: *
    let (uncover, pause) = settings(hider: draw.hide.with(bounds: true))
    pause(s, circle((0, 0)))
    s.push(auto)
    uncover(s, 3,
      rect((-1, -1), (1, 1)))
    s.push((3,))
    only(s, 4, circle((1, 1)))
    s.push(4)
  })
}, s))
```

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Output: on subslide 1

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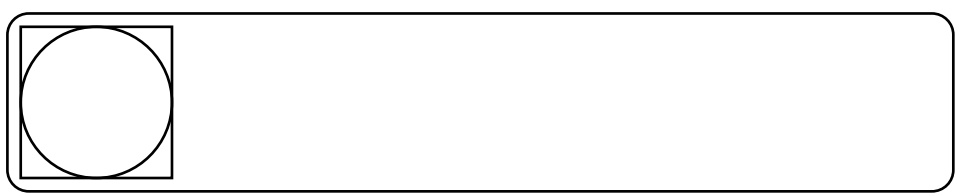
Output: on subslide 3



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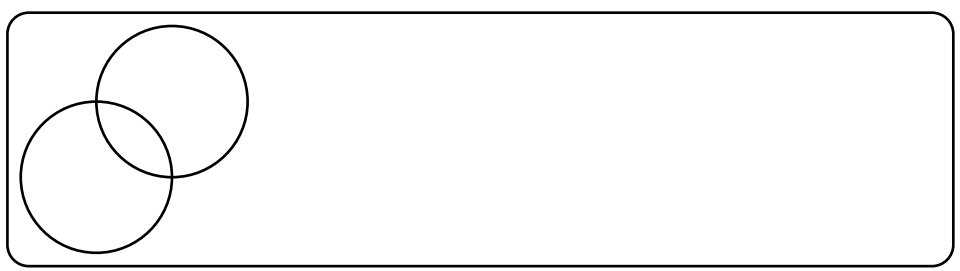
Output: on subslide 4



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All you need to do is to update the `#s` for each animation.
For total number of subslides needed, Presentate will do the job *automatically*.

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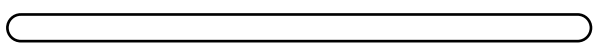
Example 3: Fletcher in math mode diagram, with `it => none` as hider.

Output: on subslide 1



```
#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  diagram($
      pause(#s, A edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
        & pause(#s, B edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
          pause(#s, edge(->, "d") & C) \
        & pause(#s, D)
    $,)
}, s,))
```

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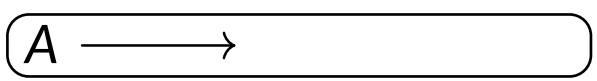
Example 3: Fletcher in math mode diagram, with `it => none` as hider.

Output: on subslide 2

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#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  diagram($
      pause(#s, A edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
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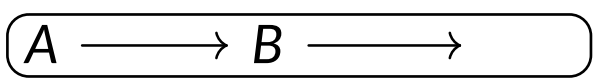


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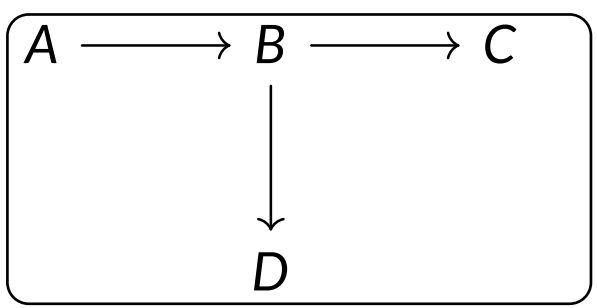
Output: on subslide 4




```
#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  diagram($
      pause(#s, A edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
        & pause(#s, B edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
          pause(#s, edge(->, "d") & C) \
        & pause(#s, D)
    $,)
}, s,))
```

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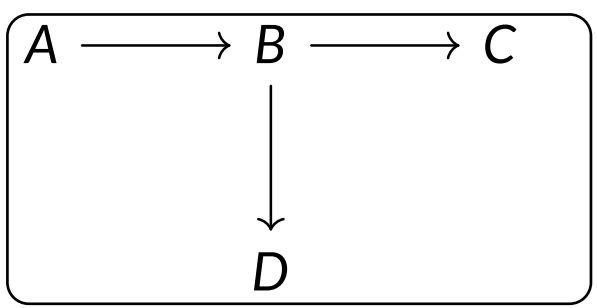
Output: on subslide 5



Although not perfect, it is doable.

```
#render(s => ({
  import animation: *
  diagram($
      pause(#s, A edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
        & pause(#s, B edge(->)) #s.push(auto)
          pause(#s, edge(->, "d") & C) \
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    $,)
}, s,))
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Introducing `#animation.animate` function, together with a package for drawing molecular strcuture: Alchemist[7].

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So we use the hider as a `#modifier` the function's argument.

```
#import "@preview/alchemist:0.1.8": *
#let (single,) = animation.animate(
  single, modifier: (func, ..args) => func(stroke: 0pt, ..args)
)
```

Note! The animated functions require `#s` as the first positional argument.

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Output: on subslide 1

```
#render(s => ({
  skeletize({
    single(s) // Note the `s`!
    branch({
      s.push(auto)
      single(s, angle: -1)
    })
    s.push(auto)
    single(s, angle: 1)
  })
}, s))
```

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Output: on subslide 2

```
1   #render(s => ({
2     skeletize({
3       single(s) // Note the `s`!
4       branch({
5         s.push(auto)
6         single(s, angle: -1)
7       })
8       s.push(auto)
9       single(s, angle: 1)
10    })
11  }, s))
```

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Output: on subslide 3

```
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      single(s, angle: -1)
    })
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  })
}, s))
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Output: on subslide 4

```
#render(s => ({
  skeletize({
    single(s) // Note the `s`!
    branch({
      s.push(auto)
      single(s, angle: -1)
    })
    s.push(auto)
    single(s, angle: 1)
  })
}, s))
```

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Output: on subslide 5

Now the molecule is drawn!

```
#render(s => ({
  skeletize({
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      s.push(auto)
      single(s, angle: -1)
    })
    s.push(auto)
    single(s, angle: 1)
  })
}, s))
```

2.13 Animate the inanimate

Output: on subslide 6

Now the molecule is drawn!
The `#animate` is like *modifier* to make the function *aware* to the `#s` updates.

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3       single(s) // Note the `s`!
4       branch({
5         s.push(auto)
6         single(s, angle: -1)
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Normal mode is to do nothing, for the last two options, you can set them via

```
1  #set-options(handout: true, drafted: true)
```

2.15 Themes

The slide you are viewing is the *simple* theme of Presentate. You can use it by typing the following lines:

```
#import themes.simple: *
#show: template.with(
  author: [Pacaunt], // change to yours!
  title: [Welcome To Presentate!],
  subtitle: [Slides Tools.],
)
```

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The theme provides the following slides:

- `#slide(title, body)` which if no title, it will repeat the last topic.
- `#empty-slide(body)` which is empty and has no margin, header, and footer.
- `#focus-slide(body)` which is colored, vibrant slide for getting attention.

The preview is on the next slide:

2.15 Themes


Welcome To Presentate!
Slides Tools.
Pacaunt | 2025-08-15
New Section
New Section
Hello
This is Simple theme slide.
Pacaunt
1
New Section
Hello
Slide with no title will continue from the last title.
Pacaunt
2
This should be focus!
#empty-slide is the slide with nothing,
even the header and footer.

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```
= New Section
#slide[Hello][
  This is Simple theme slide.
]

#slide[
  Slide with no title will
  continue from the last title.
]

#focus-slide[
  This should be focus!
]

#empty-slide[
  #set align(center + horizon)
  `#empty-slide` is the slide
  with nothing, \
  even the `header` and
  `footer`.
]
```

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)
```

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#show: template.with(
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)
```

and then you will have `#slide(body)`, which are normal slide function, and `#empty-slide(body)` for a slide with no header, footer, and margins.

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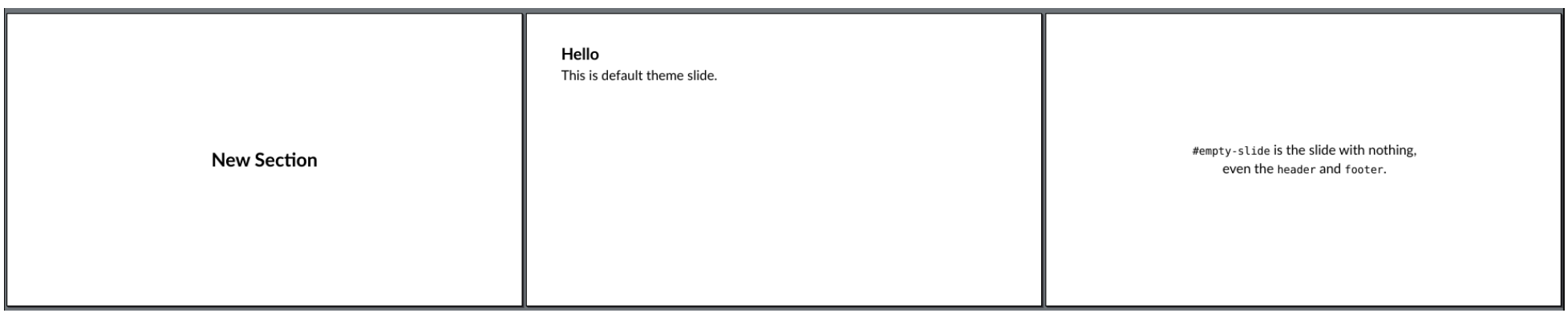
Some example of the Default theme.



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]
```

2.16 Structured Themes

Integration with navigator[8] package provides a structured theme that have an animation of the outlines. Big thanks to David Hajage for providing all of the structured themes and a complete theme guide of this package.

You can visit the examples of the structured themes here:

- minimal
- progressive-outline
- sidebar
- split
- miniframes

[8] https://typst.app/universe/package/navigator

For more information, you can contact us at
Presentate's github
(https://github.com/pacaunt/typst-presentate/)

Enjoy making presentation!