

# The **pdfpc** package

<https://github.com/pdfpc/pdfpc>

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## **Abstract**

This package provides a convenient way to specify notes and to define certain meta properties of the presentation when used with PDF Presenter Console (**pdfpc**), a GPLv2+ licensed multi-monitor PDF presentation viewer application available on GitHub<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup><https://pdfpc.github.io/>

## Dependencies and other requirements

pdfpc requires the use of L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub>.

It depends on the following packages:

kvoptions

xstring

iftex

hyperxmp

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This work consists of the following files:

- "pdfpc.sty",
- "pdfpc-doc.tex"
- "pdfpc-doc.pdf" (*compiled*)

## Part I

# The documentation

### Loading pdfpc

Load pdfpc by adding `\usepackage{pdfpc}` to your preamble.

The following *options* may be given as comma-separated list:

- `duration`
- `starttime`
- `endtime`
- `enduserslide`
- `lastminutes`
- `hidenotes`
- `overridenote`
- `disablemarkdown`
- `defaulttransition` (needs pdfpc v4.5 or higher)

The meaning and possible values of most of these options are documented in *pdfpcrc(5)* man page of the pdfpc program. The rest are explained below.

To add a note to a slide, use `\pdfpcnote{Text of a note}`. A line break in the body of the note can be inserted with `\\`. The notes are rendered according to the Markdown syntax by default. If you prefer the plain text format (which was the case with pdfpc-4.4 and below), use the `disablemarkdown` option.

The pdfpc package can be used standalone or together with beamer. In the later case, it may be desirable to continue using the `\note` command. To this end, the `overridenote` option should be provided. Please note though, that this will work only in simple cases.

If you prefer using full-featured beamer notes rendered alongside the presentation (`\setbeameroption{show notes on second screen}`), the pdfpc package will autodetect it, so using the `--notes` command-line option

is unnecessary. To override the autodetection, use the **notesposition** option, accepting the same values (right/left/top/bottom/none).

When sharing slides, one may want to omit the (private) notes, by using the **hidenotes** option. Enabling it together with **overridenote** will disable the beamer notes as well.