

# Notes and handouts in rst2beamer

The LaTeX source for the corresponding Beamer example without notes can be produced:

```
rst2beamer notes.rst notes.tex
```

Notes will be included (on the right) via:

```
rst2beamer --shownotes true notes.rst notes_shownotes.tex
```

A presentation with only the notes can be produced:

```
rst2beamer --shownotes only notes.rst notes_shownotes_only.tex
```

# Showing notes

Beamer (and rst2beamer) support the inclusion of notes in a presentation. By default, these won't show up in the generated presentation unless requested. The appearance of notes is set with the commandline argument `--shownotes`. For example:

```
rst2beamer --shownotes <option> mypresentation.rst
```

where `option` can be:

`false` *don't show any notes (the default)*

`true` *show notes as per right*

`only` *show only the notes, not the presentation*

`left, right, top, bottom` *show the notes in the given position to the presentation*

# The note directive

Notes can be included with the `r2b_note` directive.

Multiple notes can be included in one slide.

Slides without any notes will produce an empty note slide.

# Notes as containers

The custom r2b directives won't be recognised by any writer other than rst2beamer. Therefore, we allow certain containers (which most other writers should recognise and at worst ignore) to act like notes.

Any container with the name 'r2b\_note' or 'r2b-note' will be handled like the notes directive.