

Overlays

Buffers

Layers

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Sources for further reading

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- ConT_EXt garden on Overlays: https://wiki.contextgarden.net/Graphics_and_media/Tutorials/Graphical_programming_with_MetaPost_and_MetaFun#Overlays
- ConT_EXt garden on Layers: https://wiki.contextgarden.net/Document_layout_and_layers/Layers
- **UPCOMING:** Ton Otten. ConT_EXt LMTX an excursion. English Version 3.0. 2026.

General

- Powerful
- Versatile
- Useful

Overlays

- Stacking mechanism
- Available in commands with the background key
 - `\framed`
 - `\framedtext`
 - Backgrounds e.g. for page, headers, footers, text, margin, edge

Examples: Text, graphics (MetaPost) in areas of the page layout, framed contents

Layers

- Stacking mechanism
- Definition to any size
- Positioning of contents at any place on the paper
- Single or repeated placement

Examples: Placement of Logos, placement of information at specific places
e.g. letter style, invoice style

Buffers

- Store content for later use
- Placement of buffer content either verbatim or normally typeset
- Call for the buffer's content at any place in the document

Examples: Code snippets, text elements reused throughout a document

Work session 1

Example overlays:

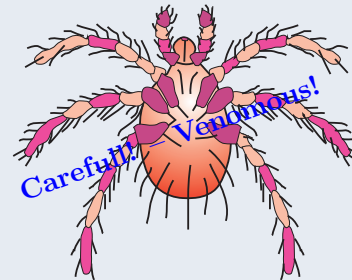


Figure 1 Overlays

Work session 2

Example buffers

Verbatim:

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Typeset in blue:

EuroBachoT_EX 2026

Figure 2 A Simple Buffer

Work session 3

Example layers



Figure 3 Estate sale