

DISPLAY SUITE OVERVIEW

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What is Display Suite?

- Easy way to control display of content: nodes, comments, views, etc.
- Available for Drupal 6.x and 7.x
- Maintained by Kristof De Jaeger

Sounds Like Panels?

- Sort of! <http://drupal.org/node/719244>
- Think of it as “Panels Lite”
- (But not really)

Installation

- <http://drupal.org/project/ds>
- Drupal 7: One module, with a couple submodules.
(depends on ctools, but what doesn't?)
- Drupal 6: Many modules (ds, nd, cd, vd, nd_contrib...) to get everything.

Display Suite Lets You:

- Not need to edit .tpl.php files (so much)
- Assign content to pre-defined regions
(Lots more, and your own, in D7)
- Create build/view modes per content type
- Create custom display fields and groups of them
- Mess with regions in theming-helpful ways (classes, blocks)
- Export everything to code

Demo

- Content to regions
 - Nodes & Comments
 - Views
- Build/view modes
- Custom fields

D7: Custom Layouts

- <http://drupal.org/node/1098068>
- `l1 (!)` provided by default (only `l` in D6)
- Create `ds_layouts` folder, then use `example_layout` (yawn) or `drush` (yay!)
- Gotchas:
 - Avoid reserved variable names e.g. `$content`
 - Don't prepend `ds_` to layout files
 - Careful with HTML IDs
- Template hints - override yourself!

Learn More

- <http://drupal.org/node/644662>
- <http://realize.be/topics/display-suite>
- Talk with us!