

# AOO 4.0 Sidebar

This wiki is to trace the sidebar feature development effort in AOO 4.0.

We are going to consolidate the background, UX design and development/testing status and related action items in this wiki.

The goal of the sidebar feature is to enhance user experience by adding sidebar for 3 apps: Writer, Impress & Calc.

## Sidebar Background

For AOO, there is already a UNO API for plugable sidebar controls in general. There is a C++ framework for the side bar used in Impress.

For Symphony sidebar, we can get detailed introduction [here](#).

## UX Design Explorations

Sidebar UX design explorations by Kevin Grignon can be found on the AOO UX wiki:

- [http://wiki.openoffice.org/wiki/AOO\\_4.0\\_Dockable\\_Task\\_Pane\\_\(Task\\_Bar\)\\_Design\\_Exploration](http://wiki.openoffice.org/wiki/AOO_4.0_Dockable_Task_Pane_(Task_Bar)_Design_Exploration)

Per the discussion in the mail thread, Beveled tab option is preferred.

## AOO Sidebar Framework Investigation

Sidebar framework technical investigations by Andre Fischer can be found on the AOO Dev wiki:

- <http://wiki.openoffice.org/wiki/Sidebar>

## Development Plan

Following are development plan items:

Items	Category	Owner	Status	Comment
Look & Feel design explorations	UX	Kevin Grignon	Ongoing	
AOO sidebar framework investigation	DEV	Andre Fischer	Ongoing	<a href="http://wiki.openoffice.org/wiki/Sidebar">http://wiki.openoffice.org/wiki/Sidebar</a>