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\TeX\ LECTURES ON TAPE

Introduction to the internal workings of \TeX\82

Donald Knuth

In conjunction with the July 1982 TUG meeting, a short course of 12 one-hour lectures, “Introduction to \TeX\82”, was presented on the internal workings of \TeX\82. The \TeX\ source of \TeX\82 was used as a reference. A reading knowledge of PASCAL was strongly recommended as a prerequisite.

The following topics were covered: reading \TeX\ programs; representation of strings; data structures for boxes and glue; representation of control sequences; syntactic routines (\TeX’s eyes and mouth); semantic routines (\TeX’s stomach and intestines); breaking paragraphs into lines; hyphenation; scanning file names; input of font metric (TFM) files; output of device-independent (DVI) files; initializing a \TeX\ production program.

The principal goal of the course was to make the participant familiar with the anatomy of the \TeX\82 system, so that it will be clear how to make system dependent changes necessary to install it as an effective production tool. Considerations necessary for tailoring \TeX\ for use with languages other than English were discussed. The information provided by this course should make the viewer able to make better use of \TeX\ than would otherwise be possible, and to help with troubleshooting when others at his site do strange things with the software.

All twelve lectures were videotaped, and are available for lease or purchase.

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\TeX\atical typing for beginners; \TeX\arcana

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The two lecture series presented in March 1981, on “\TeX\atical typing”, for beginners with no previous \TeX\ experience, and on “\TeX\arcana”, aimed at experts with at least a half-year’s experience, are still available. The user should be aware that there are substantial differences between \TeX\80 (the subject of the 1981 lectures) and \TeX\82, so that some of the material presented in these lectures is out-of-date.

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