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PETR SOJKA, Úvodník [Introduction]; pp. 1–2

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HANS HAGEN, ConTeXt–Lua Documents; pp. 3–54

In ConTeXt, it is now possible to prepare documents in a mixture of TeX, XML, MetaPost, and Lua. The article gives a short introduction into the programming language of Lua and then goes on to describe how Lua can be used for programming in ConTeXt MkIV. 10.5300/2017-1-2/3

HANS HAGEN, Exporting XML and ePub from ConTeXt; pp. 55–63

The article describes the XML backend of ConTeXt, which can be used to produce structured XML documents out of a TeX input. One of the many applications of the XML backend is the conversion to ePub e-book format, which the article covers in detail. 10.5300/2017-1-2/55

HANS HAGEN and IDRIS SAMAWI HAMID, Oriental TeX: Optimizing paragraphs; pp. 64–97

The article describes the state of the art in paragraph optimization for Arabic as implemented in ConTeXt. The implementation is introduced using Latin script examples. The article proceeds to describe the main features of Arabic script and known approaches towards paragraph optimization. One of the described approaches is then implemented and used to typeset a passage from the Qur’ān. 10.5300/2017-1-2/64

TACO HOEKWATER, MetaPost: PNG output; pp. 98–100

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**Aleš Kozubík, Mapy v \LaTeX{}ových dokumentoch – predstavenie balíčka getmap** [Maps in \LaTeX{} documents — an introduction of the getmap package]; pp. 101–109

The aim of this article is to introduce the getmap package. This package supports inclusion into \LaTeX{} documents the map materials obtained from the external resources such as OpenStreetMap and Google Maps, possibly even with the support of Google Street View. In the simplest case, the specification of an address is sufficient. The package loads the map using the `\write18` feature, which must be activated to use this package. The image will be downloaded by an external Lua script that can be used also from the command line. 10.5300/2017-1-2/101

VÍT NOVOTNY, Konference TUG@BachoTeX 2017 [Conference TUG@BachoTeX 2017]; pp. 110–116

The article is a summary of the TUG@BachoTeX 2017 conference, which was held from April 29 to May 3 jointly by GUST and TUG at Bachotek near Brodnica, Poland. 10.5300/2017-1-2/110

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PETR SOJKA, Úvodník [Introduction]; p. 117

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PETR SOJKA, VÍT NOVOTNY, TeX na školách? Samozřejmě ano! Příklad užití TeXu na Fakultě informatiky Masarykovy univerzity [TeX in Schools? Just Say Yes: The use of TeX at the Faculty of Informatics, Masaryk University]; pp. 118–137

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HANS HAGEN, Lua in MetaPost; pp. 138–154

In LuaTeX, it is now possible to run snippets of Lua code from within MetaPost. The article describes the mechanism, the low-level interface available in LuaTeX, as well as the high-level interface available in ConTeXt through example. 10.5300/2017-3-4/138

PETER WILSON, Mělo by to fungovat VI—Odstavce [It might work. VI—Paragraphs]; pp. 155–164

This paper demonstrates possibilities of setting the TeX paragraph parameters for different, even less usual, paragraph justifications. [Printed in *TUGboat* 28:2.] 10.5300/2017-3-4/155