

## Abstracts without papers

### Graphics: polishing Metafun by cheating with Lua

*Alan Braslau & Hans Hagen*

We stepwise manage to get around the limitations of Metapost by using all kind of Lua magic. We will discuss some of what is coming: new-graph, syntax extensions, carrying info around, statistics. How dirty can tricks be?

### Lmtx: how ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt plans to avoid a dangerous bend

*Hans Hagen*

At the 2018 meeting I mentioned that I was considering a lean and mean engine. Part of that project is to provide a stable independent future for ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt users so that they don't fly out of the dangerous bends that might show up. In the meantime LMTX has surfaced. In this presentation I will discuss some of the reasons, the details and the (possible) future.

### Fonts: all those bends and curves

*Hans Hagen*

One way to free oneself from limitations is to take drastic measures and think around the standard features. Fonts are a good candidate. This talk will demonstrate how we can do some things with the shapes. We can also discuss what more virtual trickery we want to expose now that we have full control over this extension mechanism.

### Documenting a model railroad

*Taco Hoekwater*

In a model railroad, lots of electrical connections and meta-information needs to be documented. Why not do that in the nicest possible way by using ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt?

### ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt in the nineties

*Taco Hoekwater*

A look back to the earliest public days of ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt.

### Redrawing Duane

*Taco Hoekwater*

For each meeting, we have a Duane Bibby drawing or two. I've been playing with the scans of this year's drawings.

### Nice place you have here

*Henning Hraban Ramm*

Approaches to creative image and caption placement with floats, layers, makeups, and postponings.

### Rain Rain Go Away: Some thoughts on rain protection, and its uses

*Pavneet Arora*

Follow up on ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt 2018 aside: progress update.

### Review of fonts near to hand

*Tomáš Hála*

This talk follows ideas of “Free Fonts for ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt”, stated at ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt Meeting in Maibacher Schweiz, 2017. Before we start doing whatever, usually we have to make an inventory. Therefore, this talk reviews our “domestic store”, ie. fonts and font families (OTF and TTF only) available in T<sub>E</sub>Xlive and ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt distributions.

### ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt at Mendel University: Teaching, Thesis, Topics

*Tomáš Hála*

This talk describes the experience with teaching

ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt to students of different study programs at Mendel University in Brno, Czech Republic. It focuses on teaching process, different goals, writing thesis etc., positive features as well as troubles will be mentioned, too. Finally, former, current and future topics based on ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt for students' thesis will be briefly presented.

## Some thoughts on hyphenation

*Arthur Reutenauer*

## Short talk about building binaries

*Mojca Miklavc*

## Metapost tips & tricks

*various*

Tips and tricks for Metapost and Metafun

## Metapost dangerous bends

*various*

What to watch out for when using Metapost and Metafun



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