

TUG 2003 T_EX Heritage Panel

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Discussion topics

- The original reason for T_EX
- T_EX78 to T_EX82: the migration from SAIL to Pascal
- Early macro packages – the user front end
- L^AT_EX 2.09 to 2e: no more need for hacking
- T_EX 3.0: not just for English any more
- T_EX's friends – Metafont and Computer Modern
- Early output devices
- The effect of PostScript
- The rise of T_EX user groups
- Why is T_EX still around after 25 years?