\textbf{\LaTeX{}3; Call for Volunteers}

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This is a call for volunteers to help in the development of \LaTeX{}3. There are many tasks needing to be done in support of the \LaTeX{}3 project which can be worked on concurrently with the development of the \LaTeX{}3 kernel. Furthermore, some tasks require special expertise not found among the core programming team. Initial research, analysis, and work on these tasks by volunteers can greatly speed up the process of integrating a number of desirable features into \LaTeX{}3. Many of these features can be extensively developed and tested under \LaTeX{} 2.09 even before the \LaTeX{}3 kernel is available.

Therefore we are publishing a list of tasks to the \LaTeX{} user community through various channels and we ask readers to consider contributing some time and effort (particularly, but not exclusively, readers with expertise in the various areas touched on). The task list is distributed in the form of a \LaTeX{} article; it is fairly readable in electronic form, and it can be printed on paper if desired.

\textbf{Getting and reading the \LaTeX{}3 volunteer task list}

- Anonymous FTP from the following sites.
  
  \texttt{niord.shsu.edu} directory \texttt{[fileserv.vol-task]}
  
  \texttt{ftp.uni-stuttgart.de} directory \texttt{soft/tex/vol-task}

- Mail server from
  
  \texttt{fileserv@shsu.bitnet}

  or

  \texttt{mail-server@rus.uni-stuttgart.de}

  Send mail to \texttt{fileserv@shsu.bitnet}. No subject line is necessary. In the body of the mail, write one line:

  \texttt{sendme vol-task}

  Send mail to \texttt{mail-server@rus.uni-stuttgart.de}. No subject line is necessary. In the body of the mail, write one line:

  \texttt{send soft/tex/vol-task/vol-task.tex}

- Request a printed copy from the TeX Users Group:

  TeX Users Group
  
  \texttt{tug@math.ams.org}
  
  PO Box 9506
  
  Providence, RI 02940
  
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- Read it in your copy of TUGboat (or your friend’s copy, or your library’s copy ...) when it is published there [soon].

It will also be mailed initially to some mail lists and newsgroups that are likely sources of volunteers. Suggestions for additional publication destinations are welcome.

If after reading the descriptions you are interested in working on a particular task, the first step is to contact the coordinator for that task (if one is listed), or else contact the volunteer list manager:

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If someone else is already serving as the task coordinator for that task, that person will discuss with you the current status of the work and ways in which you might contribute. Otherwise, the list manager will designate you as the ‘task coordinator’ for that task, and assist you in getting answers to any initial questions you may have. Further details are found in Appendix A of the task list.

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