
Χαιρετισμός του καθηγητή Knuth

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Greetings to the people who can pronounce \TeX better than anyone else in the world!

When I visited your country in 1985, Melina Mercury granted me the honor of being able to deliver a lecture in the ancient theater of Epidaurus. At that time I spoke about how my “practical” work on \TeX and METAFONT has had a significant payoff also in the “theoretical” work I do in computer science and mathematics. A Greek translation of that lecture was published in *Μαθηματική Επιθεώρηση*, τεύχος **30** (1986), 3-15.

Perhaps I should apologize to you for playing tricks with your letter. If you look closely at the Computer Modern programs for lowercase mathematical Greek, you will see that I used the number .5772156649 twice in the construction of γ , and 3.14159 twice in the construction of π ¹.

Nothing makes me happier than to see fine typesetting being done with \TeX in all parts of the world. GO FORTH now and create masterpiece of τέχνη!

Sincerely,

Donald E. Knuth
Professor

¹ Σ.Ε.Σ.: Ο πρώτος αριθμός είναι προσέγγιση της σταθεράς γ του Euler, ενώ ο δεύτερος του γνωστού μας αριθμού π .