## A Color Concept for $\mathrm{Hi}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{EX}$

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## Outline

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Summary

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Interfaces: PDF

- Many Separate Designs
- Proprietary/

Standardized File Format

- Limited Graphic Cards in 1993
- Limited Design

Options for pdfTEX

## TeX Input

 File

Graphic Card

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> \def $\backslash$ red\{\HINTcolor
> $\mathrm{fg}\{000\} \operatorname{bg}\{1000.4\}\}$
> \def $\backslash$ green $\{\backslash$ HINTcolor
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> \hbox\{\blue T\}\kern-.1667em
> \lower.5ex\hbox\{\red E\}\%
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