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DR Access10 gives your personal computer the graphics capabilities of a mainframe system by providing an inexpensive software link between mainframes and microcomputers.

The link to mainframes is especially helpful to corporations with a large pool of microcomputers, said Bill Higgs, product line manager of DRI's graphics applications products. Until now, special terminals were required for anyone who wanted to use the graphics program of a mainframe system. Access10 utilizes microcomputers, which are already an integral part of most offices.

Using microcomputers increases the versatility of the resources already in the workplace, and it increases the number of workers who have access to mainframe capabilities. It also maintains the privacy and speed of personal computers. Access10 can be implemented at a fraction of the cost of buying special terminals, Higgs said.

"Instead of having to walk down the hall and wait in line to use the special terminal, people have the convenience of working at their desks", he added.

A graphics printer may be added to complete the worker's desktop system. There are several inexpensive, yet high-quality, models, such as those produced by Epson, Higgs said. Or, a Polaroid Palette may be attached, to develop slides of computer drawings. Because the slides are electronic reproductions of the computer-made drawing, they have the same high-resolution provided by a mainframe.

Technically, DR Access10 emulates Tektronix 4010, 4012, and 4014 graphics terminals. With Access10, a microcomputer can display, plot, print, or gain access to any data from any Plot 10-compatible program, including ISSCO's Tell-a-graph, Tektronix's EZ Graphing, Precision Visuals' Graph Master, and SAS Graph.

DR Access10 is available through retail outlets at a suggested price of $500. For information regarding your nearest dealer, call Digital Research.

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