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A combination of DRI's DR Graph and DR Draw, Presentation Master is an in-house system of producing color slides and prints from computer graphics files. After designing graphic images with DR Draw and DR Graph, the computer image recorder accepts that data via the computer's color graphics board, to reproduce each image on film, simultaneously matching or modifying colors to the user's choice from color exposure tables in the software package. Exposed rolls of 35mm instant film can be processed and mounted as finished slides or color prints in minutes.

With DR Draw, users can manipulate lines, text and a variety of symbols, including boxes, circles and arcs to construct organizational charts, logos, area layouts and project flow charts. Picture elements can be moved, copied, scaled and deleted, and users can control attributes such as color, line style, typefont and fill pattern. A special zoom feature makes possible intricate or detailed work, and a panning ability lets users look back and forth over an oversized drawing.

DR Graph is designed for creating and editing line graphics, step plots, scatterplots, pie charts, bar charts and text-only foils. The user controls axes, labels, annotations, scaling, fonts, colors, fill pattern, line style and position. Multiple graphs can be displayed simultaneously on one screen. DR Graph accepts data from Multiplan, VisiCalc and SuperCalc files.

All DR Draw and DR Graph functions are menu driven, and accept input through keyboard, light pen or mouse, of which the latter two come with DRI's Graphics Systems Extension (GSX) software, providing interfaces to graphics peripherals. Due to GSX, Presentation Master can offer improved screen resolution and more colors than are inherent in the hardware. Presentation Master consists of DR Draw, DR Graph, an image recorder, documentation and one roll of instant slide fiml, sells for \$1,999 in the US. Available from Digital Research Inc.

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