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## Technical document production

Technical literature often combines text with illustrations, and must be produced quickly and at a reasonable cost, with the probability that subsequent amendment and re-issue will be required.

Preparation of professional documents of this type conventionally involves costly and time-consuming typesetting, artwork preparation and page make-up. Alterations requiring repositioning or changing the size of illustrations present difficult if not impossible problems.

Advent Documentor 20 provides a means of preparing such documents by combining the conventional features of a word processor with an image capture and manipulation system, draughting package and typesetter. Documentor 20 makes electronic publishing available in a form that can be used easily and economically by non-specialist staff.

## Ease of use

Documentor 20 allows text to be composed interactively such that the document can be viewed in its final form as it is typed in. Point-and-act menus are used to avoid complex command structures, and text is held without embedded commands, allowing easy transfer of files from other word processors. Multiple documents may be edited simultaneously, and the workstation's high resolution screen means that large amounts of text may be viewed at once.

## Illustrations

Advent Paint is a picture editing tool which allows freehand drawings to be created and edited with ease. Pictures may either be generated from scratch or input from the Advent image capture system and subsequently edited. Documentor 20 includes an interactive

draughting system which can be used to generate schematic images, such as drawings, charts, graphs, forms or plans. Drawings may consist of lines, arcs, splines, text, in different thicknesses and fonts, and scaled to any size. Pictures generated by either of these methods can be included in the document using electronic 'cut-and-paste' techniques.

## Multiple fonts

A wide range of fonts is available with Documentor 20, and changes between fonts are achieved with a single keystroke. Each piece of text is displayed in the correct font, allowing the effect of a different size of font to be realised immediately.

## Printing

Documents are printed in near photo-typeset quality using a high resolution laser printer. Automatic page generation adds optional page headers, footers and page numbers. A print preview command allows full pages to be viewed exactly as they will appear when printed, enabling the overall appearance of a document to be checked before printing.

## Applications

Technical manuals, newsletters, limited circulation booklets, user guides, staff handbooks and catalogues all benefit from being produced on Documentor 20, resulting in a professional end-product published quickly at low cost.

## Access to stored documents

A whole library of documents can be created by Documentor 20. Using the system's powerful networking facilities it is possible to share such libraries and to transmit selected documents to remote workstations.