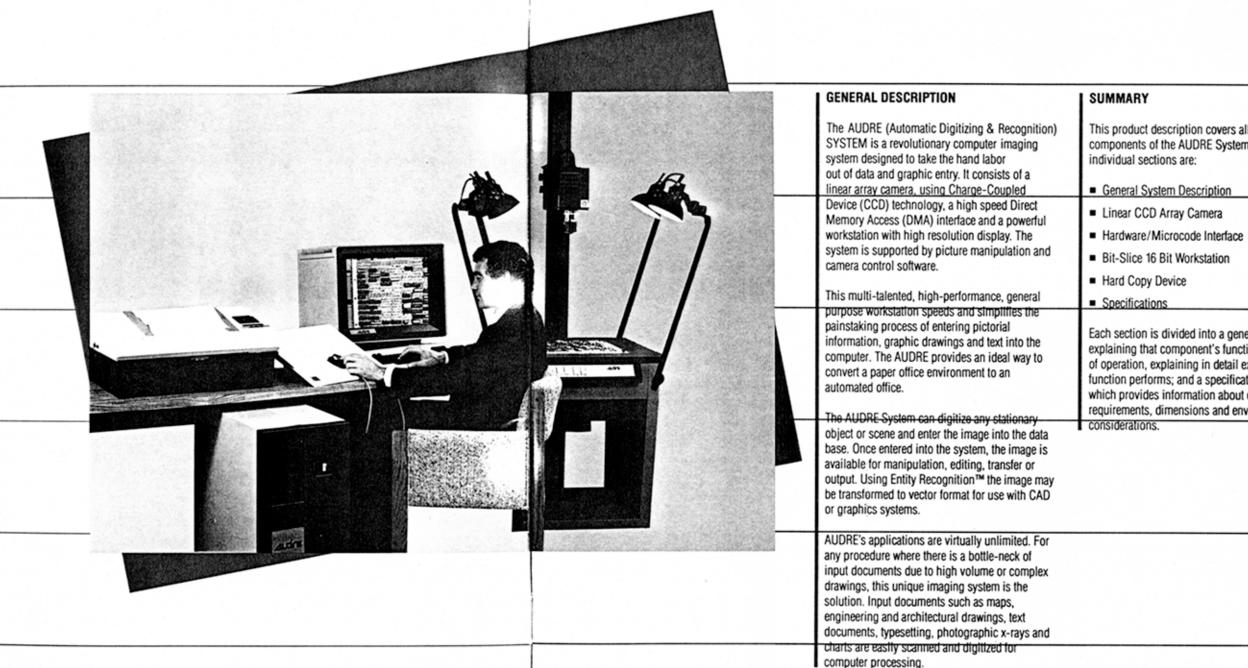
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AUTOMATIC DIGITIZING AND RECOGNITION



## AUDRE SYSTEM



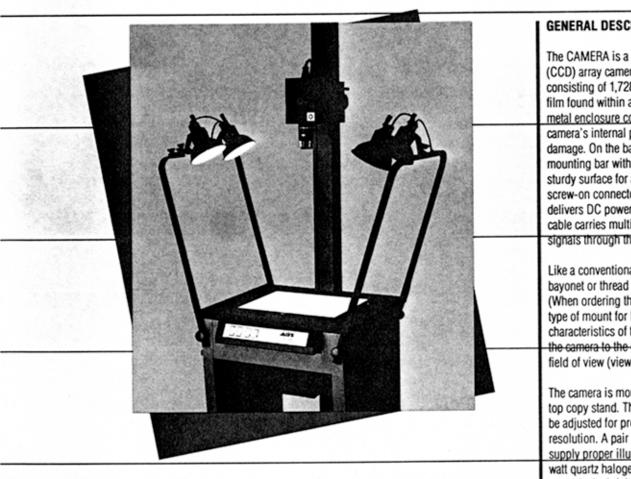


This product description covers all the components of the AUDRE System. The

Each section is divided into a general description, explaining that component's function; a summary of operation, explaining in detail exactly how the function performs; and a specifications listing. which provides information about electrical requirements, dimensions and environmental

# CCD ARRAY CAMERA





#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The CAMERA is a Charge-Coupled Device (CCD) array camera. A solid state linear array consisting of 1,728 photoelements replaces the film found within a standard 35mm camera. A metal enclosure completely surrounds the camera's internal parts and protects them from damage. On the base of this enclosure, a mounting bar with three tapped holes provides a sturdy surface for attaching the camera. A single screw-on connector mates with a single cable that delivers DC power to the camera electronics. The cable carries multiplexed picture data and control signals through the interface to the workstation.

Like a conventional camera, any standard 35mm bayonet or thread mount lens is acceptable. (When ordering the AUDRE™ System, specify type of mount for lens.) Focus settings, optical characteristics of the lens, and the distance from the camera to the object or scene determine the field of view (viewable copy size).

The camera is mounted on a copy table or desk top copy stand. The height and depth settings can be adjusted for proper image viewing and resolution. A pair of adjustable lighting arms supply proper illumination. Each arm has two 250 watt guartz halogen lamps. A central control panel controls the brightness (high/low) of the lighting arms and the intensity (high/low) of the quartz base illuminator.

The operator initiates the picture taking process by selecting a function from a menu on the display screen. This activates a control signal within the workstation, and starts the picture scan. During the picture cycle, a motor-driven,

camera moves the linear array across an image field whose size is equivalent to a full frame of 35mm film. The minimum time for the mechanical scan is about two seconds, but longer scans can be adjusted to suit the application.

gray per pixel.

(2 million bytes per second).

## SPECIFICATIONS

OPTICAL

precision mechanical drive assembly inside the

The camera captures 4.5 million pixels (picture elements) in one scan. Each pixel is represented as 8 parallel binary bits, thus giving 256 levels of

Digital picture data, in 8 bit parallel format, along with synchronization clocking, is transferred to the interface at 16 million bits per second

Dimensions of image plane: 25.9mm by 38mm

Number of pixels

in image plane: 1,720 x 2,592

Image plane resolution: Dynamic range:

Linearity (Gamma): 1.0 880 microseconds

Scan rate: for 1,720 elements 2.35 seconds-minimum Frame rate:

Video rate: Geometric distortion: Geometric stability:

2 MHz None Zero drift None None

(4,458,240)

200:1

33 line pairs per mm

Analog ground

Blooming:

Blemishes:

+15 volts, regulated @ 0.5 amp -15 volts, regulated @ 0.5 amp

Digital ground +8 volts +10%, unregulated @ 2.5 amp

-8 volts -10%, unregulated @ 2.5 amp 0° to +50°C

Operational temperature:  $-10^{\circ}$  to  $+75^{\circ}$ C Storage temperature: Relative humidity: 0% to 95%. non-condensing

7.170 in. x 5.45 in. x 3.96 in.

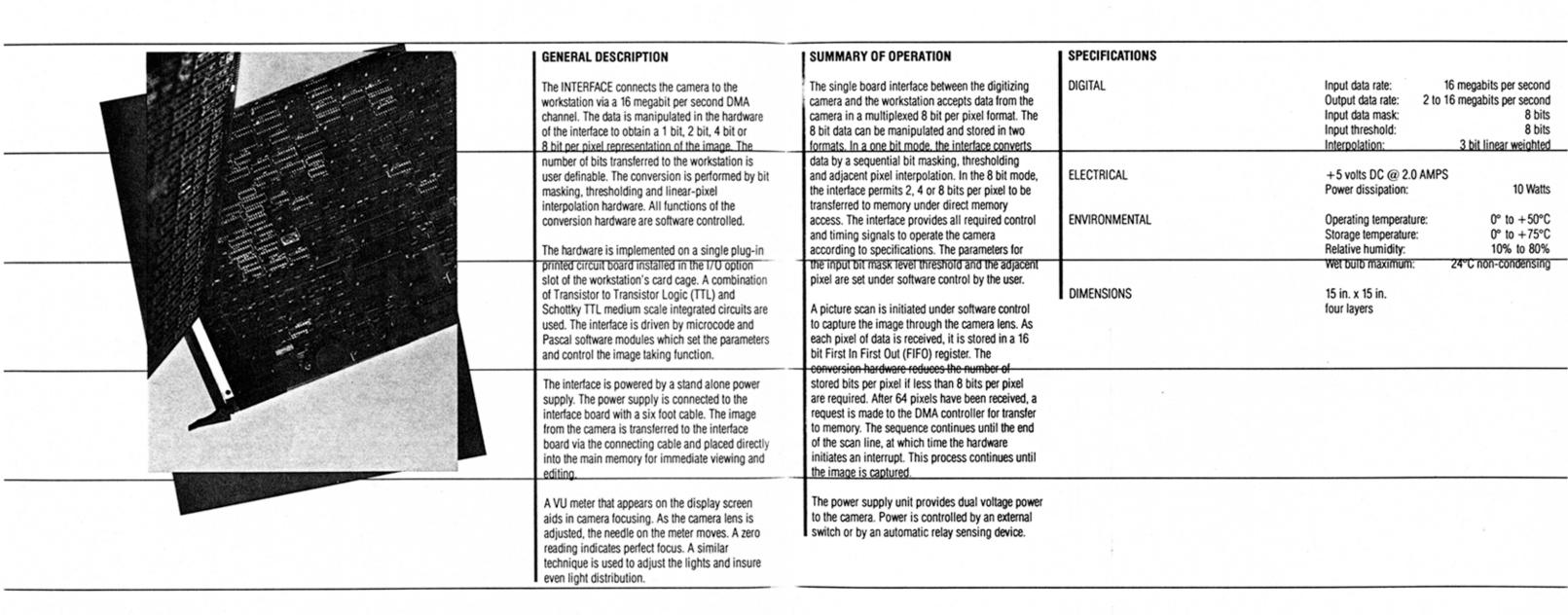
DIMENSIONS

ELECTRICAL

ENVIRONMENTAL

## INTERFACE





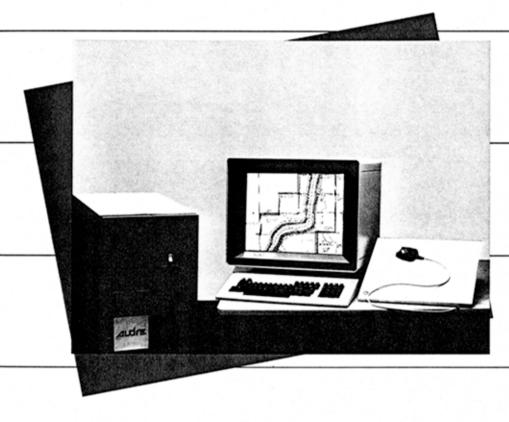
## WORKSTATION



8½ in. x 11 in. (15 inch diagonal)

57 millisecond average access time

7 megabits per second transfer



1	GENERA	L DESCI	RIPTION

The WORKSTATION is a complete single user computer system. The system consists of a microprogrammed TTL processor with language directed architecture, 1 megabyte MOS memory (expandable to 2 megabytes), 40 megabyte integral Winchester Disk (expandable to 80 megabytes), and 4K byte (expandable to a 16K word by 48 bit Writable Control Store).

A 32 bit virtual address means that very large programs can be executed with ease. The high resolution screen can display multiple fonts. proportionally spaced text and graphics. Multiple windows are supported by the operating system. The local network is supported by 10 Megabit per second Ethernet®, which allows a large number of workstations to be interconnected, thereby providing shared resources, uniform short response time, incremental expandability and high reliability.

Peripheral devices include a 768 x 1,024 high resolution raster scanned graphics display (optional 1,024 x 1,280 landscape display — as pictured), a 1 megabyte floppy disk, a 72-key keyboard and a digitizing tablet with a four-button cursor. The operating system supports a hierarchically structured file system, and optional Pascal, C and Fortran compilers. Both IEEE-488 (GPIB) and two RS-232 interfaces are included.

Several software packages are available to support image processing and other tasks. These packages provide specific support for capture and graphic editing of schematic circuit diagrams, interactive architectural design, interactive 2-D drafting design, spreadsheet programs, project network analysis and business graphics and text preparation.

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	The CPU includes a high speed, micro-	
	programmed 16 bit processor. Hardware support	
	for the RasterOp bit-map algorithm allows	
	bit-addressed raster data to be streamed at 32 bits	
┙	per microsecond for image manipulation. The	_
١	microprogram sequencer implements two-way	
ı	and multi-way conditional branches, loops and	
١	micro-subroutines with a four level call stack. The	
1	arithmetic logic unit includes a 16 level	
	expression stack, 256 registers and a parallel	
1	barrel shifter. The processor uses microprograms	
	to control high speed file access, DMA and	
	interrupt 1/O and special functions.	_

I SUMMARY OF OPERATION

64 bits every 340 nanoseconds. Memory cycles are shared equally between the display and the rest of the system. The memory system features a virtual addressing scheme with segmentation, swapping and large address space. Memory parity is standard. To support the wide bandwidth requirements of the CPU, display, disk and network, the memory system is designed for a 200 megabit per second aggregate memory bandwidth. The memory plane is organized as 64K or 128K of 64 bit-wide words.

I/O device interfaces are implemented by a combination of interrupt driver, DMA hardware and microcoded software. The I/O channel supports four high-speed bandwidth devices (rigid disk, network, AUDRE and one optional controller) and can deliver a 10 megabit per second data rate to each device, with four devices running simultaneously. A single channel can deliver in excess of 40 megabit per second data rate. For low speed devices, the 8 bit programmable Z-80 micro-processor is included to interface simple peripherals.

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

DISPLAY

HARD DISK

DIMENSIONS

TTL, bit slice processor PROCESSOR 48 bit micro-instruction 170 nanosecond microcycle time 16 bit external data path 20 bit internal data path 680 nanosecond-cycle time MEMORY 64 bits per transfer 200 megabits per second aggregate bandwidth

dimension 768 x 1,024 pixels resolution 60 Hz non-interlaced refresh P-4 fast-white phosphor The 1 megabyte random access memory transfers 32 bits per microsecond RasterOp 65 MHz bandwidth KEYBOARD 85 keys, detachable ASCII character set Auto repeat

> ENVIRONMENTAL Operating temperature: Storage temperature: Relative humidity: Wet bulb maximum: 40°C, non-condensing 115 VAC. 60 Hz ELECTRICAL 220 VAC, 50 Hz 700 watts power dissipation

> > 26 in. x 14% in. x 261/2 in. Processor: Display: Keyboard:

N-Key rollover

17% in. x 12% in. x 17% in. 7½ in. x 14¾ in. x 3½ in.

0° to +50°C

0° to +75°C

10% to 80%

Digitizing Tablet: 151/2 in. x %16 in. x 151/2 in.

## LASER PRINTER



OPERATION — ARGON LASER

The unique light spectrum of the ARGON LASER

reproduction of an image on offset plates, film, or

Positive positioning of the writing surface assures

operating in the ultraviolet mode allows the

room-light paper made of proofing material.

registration and repeatability for process color,

multiple burn, or double-truck plate production

- while maintaining ease of plate loading and

output media during scanning is operator

to one million dots per square inch.

PRINT METHOD

PRINT SPEED

TONER

PAPER

None

3.5 to 5.7 MHz

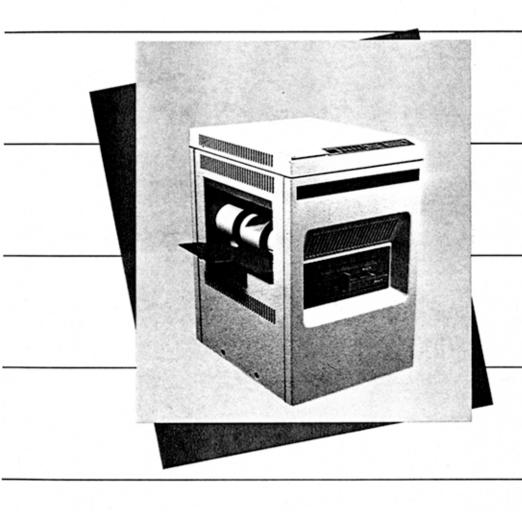
unloading. Vacuum hold-down of both input and

selectable. The large format argon laser prints up

Linear scan, argon laser with rotating polygonal

mirror and power-moveable plate. A darkroom

environment is not required for printing.



#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

All printing interfaces allow dot addressability, providing extraordinary capabilities in printing multiple font text, lines, halftones and other graphics. A range of speeds and print qualities are available to support most applications.

One of the laser printing systems is an electrophotography and semiconductor laser scanning device featuring high quality, plain paper and graphics. The output resolution is 240 dots per inch. The printer has built-in selfdiagnosing functions to tell the operator exactly where a problem is located. Module replacement is fast and easy.

Another laser printer is a helium-neon laser with rotating mirror device. The output resolution is 300 dots per inch. A special controller has been designed to allow each output pixel to be addressed individually. The raster imageprocessor utilizes many modes for output copy. Pre-programmed technology re-creates graphics in all forms with perfect letter quality every time.

The final laser printing system is an argon laser device, designed for large format and high resolution. The output resolution is 1000 dots per inch. Designed as a production oriented platemaker, this system provides a proven foundation for a modular building block approach to high resolution output production, while eliminating costly intermediate film or mask.

All printers are certified to comply with Laser Performance Standards published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. They are UL listed under the classification of office appliances and business equipment, and CSA certified under the classification of office machines. Canadian electrical code.

#### OPERATION - SEMICONDUCTOR LASER

This desktop LASER printer consists of four major sections: an interface section which receives electrical image information from an external source; an optical scanning section which receives the electrical image signal and converts it into a modulated optical beam which scans the surface of the photosensitive drum; an electrophotographic section which produces a hard copy from an optical image signal; and a control section which controls the sequence and the functions of the other three sections.

#### PRINT METHOD

Electrophotography + semiconductor laser beam scanning

#### **PRINT SPEED**

10 letter size pages per minute

Dry, single component

Cassette: Dual-190 sheets per cassette Letter/legal

Weight: 16 to 24 lbs.

#### DOT PITCH

Horizontal: Variable with clock vertical, 240 dots per inch

Vertical: Variable with clock

ELECTRICAL 1.10 VAC

#### till Ha 14 KVA (9.5 amps max)

## ! NVIRONMENTAL

lemperaure: +10° to +35°C Relative humidity: 20% to 80%

#### **OPERATION - HELIUM-NEON LASER**

This HELIUM-NEON LASER printer transfers up to 90,000 dots per square inch of high-resolution graphics. The transfer is controlled by a microprocessor, with 1.4 megabytes of full bit-map page memory. In addition, there is a 512K byte buffer memory. Some of the software features include: the ability to scale up, rotate 90°, invert black to white, downloadable fonts, micro and windowing capability.

#### PRINT METHOD

Raster scan, helium-neon laser beam with rotating polygonal mirror deflection onto photoreceptor

#### PRINT SPEED

12 pages per minute, 2.075 inches per second

#### TONER

Dry, two components

#### PAPER

Cassette: Dual-190 sheets per cassette Letter/legal

#### Weight: 16 to 24 lbs.

DOT PITCH

300 dots per inch horizontal and vertical

#### ELECTRICAL 120 VAC

60 Hz

## DOT PITCH

Horizontal: 1,000 dots per inch Vertical: 200 to 1,800 dots per inch

Photosensitive paper, film or plate

Single sheet loading

Input: 25 in. X 27 in.

Output: 25 in. X 36 in.

## ELECTRICAL

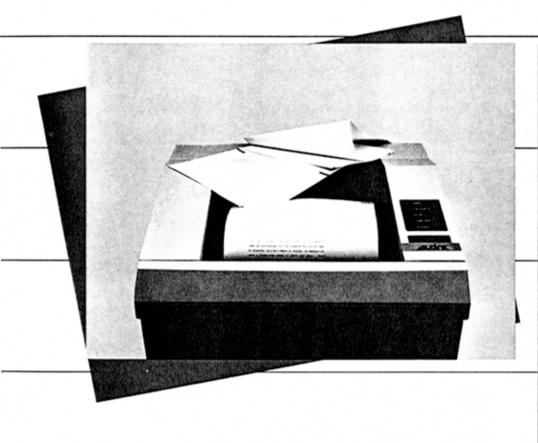
110/220 VAC ± 5%, 50/60 Hz, three wire single phase, 20 amps

#### DIMENSIONS

122 in. wide X 52 in. deep X 65 in. high, 2,500 lbs.

## ELECTROSTATIC PRINTER





#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ELECTROSTATIC PRINTER/PLOTTER is a high performance unit which prints up to 500 lines of text per minute, or raster data at 1.0 inches per second (25.4mm/second) or performs both functions simultaneously. The device features a high resolution (200 pixels per inch) output that assures crisp, dark printing and well-defined graphics copy.

The dual array writing head offers an overlapping point pattern for solid blacks and continuous lines. A servo-controlled paper drive provides smooth, accurate paper movement without overshoot.

Toner is handled using a disposable bottle inserted directly into the machine. Microprocessor control of the toner system provides accurate measurement and flow control to assure high quality hard copy.

The paper compartment accepts roll or fanfold opaque paper, translucent paper, matte/back or clear polyester film. Paper supplies are easily accessible from the top of the printer/plotter and can be changed in less than one minute.

#### Other features include:

- Pause button halts writing without data loss
- Form feed & advances for simple paper positioning
- Shading control adjusts image darkness
- Self-test exerciser simple problem diagnosis
- Illuminated status display power, paper, pause

#### During writing, programmed voltages are supplied to an array of densely spaced (200/inch) writing elements or nibs which are embedded in a stationary writing head. Upon command, the nibs selectively place electrostatic charges on the paper as it moves over the writing head. The paper is then exposed to liquid toner. Black particles within the toner adhere to the paper only where charges were previously placed. Excess

toner is drawn off the paper, deposited particles are fixed and the paper emerges dry and ready to use. The printed image is of archival quality, insensitive to light and is easily reproduced on office copying machines.

I SUMMARY OF OPERATION

increments and is placed on the input lines as it is entered into the input latch. As soon as the input buffer is filled, or a partially filled buffer is properly terminated, the contents are moved to the data buffer. The data buffer consists of 32K bits of RAM that can store up to 12 inch "plot scans" or three "print lines." This feature greatly increases the unit's throughput since it allows data to be input and stored at the same time data is being output.

When the print mode is used, data is accepted in the form of 7 bit ASCII or 8 bit character bytes. The eighth bit of each byte is used for the underline option. One hundred twenty-eight character sets are standard, with greater than 128 characters as an option. Eleven inch paper has a maximum of 132 characters per print line. Each character is composed of a matrix of elements 16 wide by 20 high (maximum character height is 24 elements). When the plot mode is used, data is accepted in the form of 8 bit raster data (unweighted binary). Each nib position on the paper corresponds to one particular bit in the data scan stored in the buffer. Eleven inch paper has a standard plot scan length of 264 bytes (2.112 nibs).

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

ELECTRICAL

ENVIRONMENTAL

PRINTING Maximum print speed, lines/minute: 500 132 Print columns/line: Print columns/inch: 12.5 Print lines/inch (roll): 8.5 Print lines/fanfold page: 1-82 16 x 16 Font dot matrix: Standard character set: 96 US ASCII Character size, inch (cm) width: 0.08 (0.20) Character size, inch (cm) height: 0.08 (0.20) PLOTTING Resolution, nibs/inch (nibs/cm) horizontal: 200 (78.7) Resolution, nibs/inch (nibs/cm)

vertical: 200 (78.7) 40.000 Points per square inch: Data enters the printer/plotter in 1 byte Maximum plotting speed. inches/second (cm/second): 1.0 (2.54) Maximum plotting speed. square feet/minute: Plot width, inches (cm) Total writing nibs (printing also): Nib size, inches (mm) nominal: 0.005 (0.13) Maximum nib-to-nib position deviation Vertical, inches 0.002 (0.05) (mm) nominal:

> 0.002 (0.05) (mm) nominal: 102. 118, 204, 236 VAC + 10% 50 or 60 Hz 285 watts, average operating

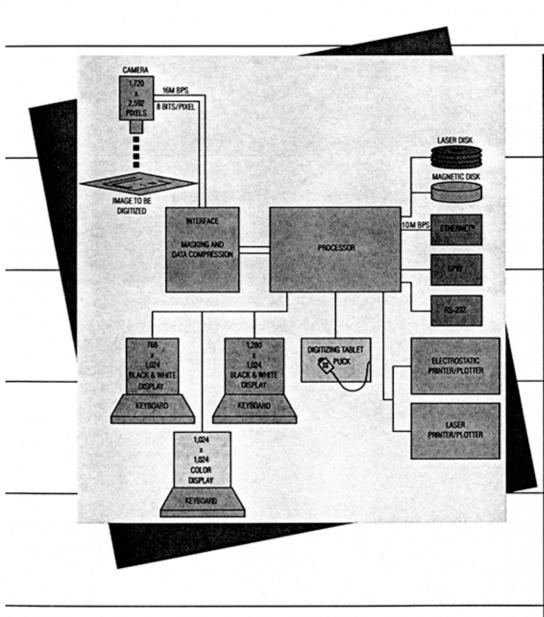
Horizontal, inches

375 watts, maximum 0° to +40°C

10% to +95%, non-condensing humidity

## SYSTEM





#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The AUDRE™ SYSTEM pulls all the system components together and provides a set of utilities for controlling the camera interface; for capturing, retaining and manipulating the image data: and for using and maintaining the image data base. These capabilities are directed via a menu-based user interface.

#### CAMERA INTERFACE CONTROL

The camera interface is controlled by an integrated set of Pascal procedures and microprograms for direct memory access data transfer from the camera. Parameters for the input data conversion hardware can be set under program control. A camera scan is initiated to capture the image.

#### IMAGE DATA MANIPULATION

The AUDRE System maintains the image in memory, with a second copy visible on the display. This allows for updating the display version without altering the original unless desired. The view on the display may be taken from any part of the captured image using the ZOOM-and-PAN functions. The display can visually overlay the original for comparisons and logical functions.

The display may be edited and annotated using a sophisticated, screen-oriented "point and act" method. Images may be added and subtracted, segmented and combined. Multiple images may be dynamically defined and manipulated. Functions that may be performed between images include: REPLACE/REPLACE NOT, AND/AND NOT, OR/OR NOT, and XOR/XOR NOT.

#### IMAGE DATA BASE

The image data base includes a large high-speed swapping buffer and special utilities for fast file storage and retrieval. Each file is associated with an image variable. Images may be stored in a compressed format to allow up to 40 times compression. Some functions are microprogrammed for improved speed. Images in use are retained in the AUDRE high-speed virtual storage system.

#### **USER INTERFACE**

The user interface is an interactive, menu-driven facility for controlling the AUDRE System functions. Full support is provided for creating and using the images and their associated files in a dynamic, user-configured environment. Multiple windows allow the user to retain and view system and image information simultaneously. Pop-up menus and directories provide an effective increase in usable screen space.

#### VECTORIZATION

For some applications the raster data retrieved from the digitizing camera may be converted to vectorized (x,y coordinates) information. Entity Recognition™, a combination of microcode and Pascal interprets the raster data, recognizing lines, curves, solids, symbols, B-splines and characters. Data is prepared in American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and International Graphics Exchange Standard (IGES) format compatible with most CAD/CAM workstations.

#### APPLICATION SOFTWARE

- 1) Software system for designing gate arrays
- Interactive program which facilitates capture and graphic editing of schematic circuit diagrams
- 3) Interactive 2-D drafting program
- 4) Interactive architectural design program
- Graphical routine and drawing routine systems
- Spreadsheet calculator
- Project network analysis
- Business graphics and text preparation
- Document formatting system
- 10) Word processing software system

#### **FUTURE PRODUCTS**

- Automatic Inspection
   This software system provides a solution to quality control of electrical parts.
- Mapping

This software system provides easy entry, modification, restoration and storage of most maps.

Catalogue

This software system provides the modification of manuals containing text and graphics.

Modifying the changed information is simple and tast.

CAD/CAM

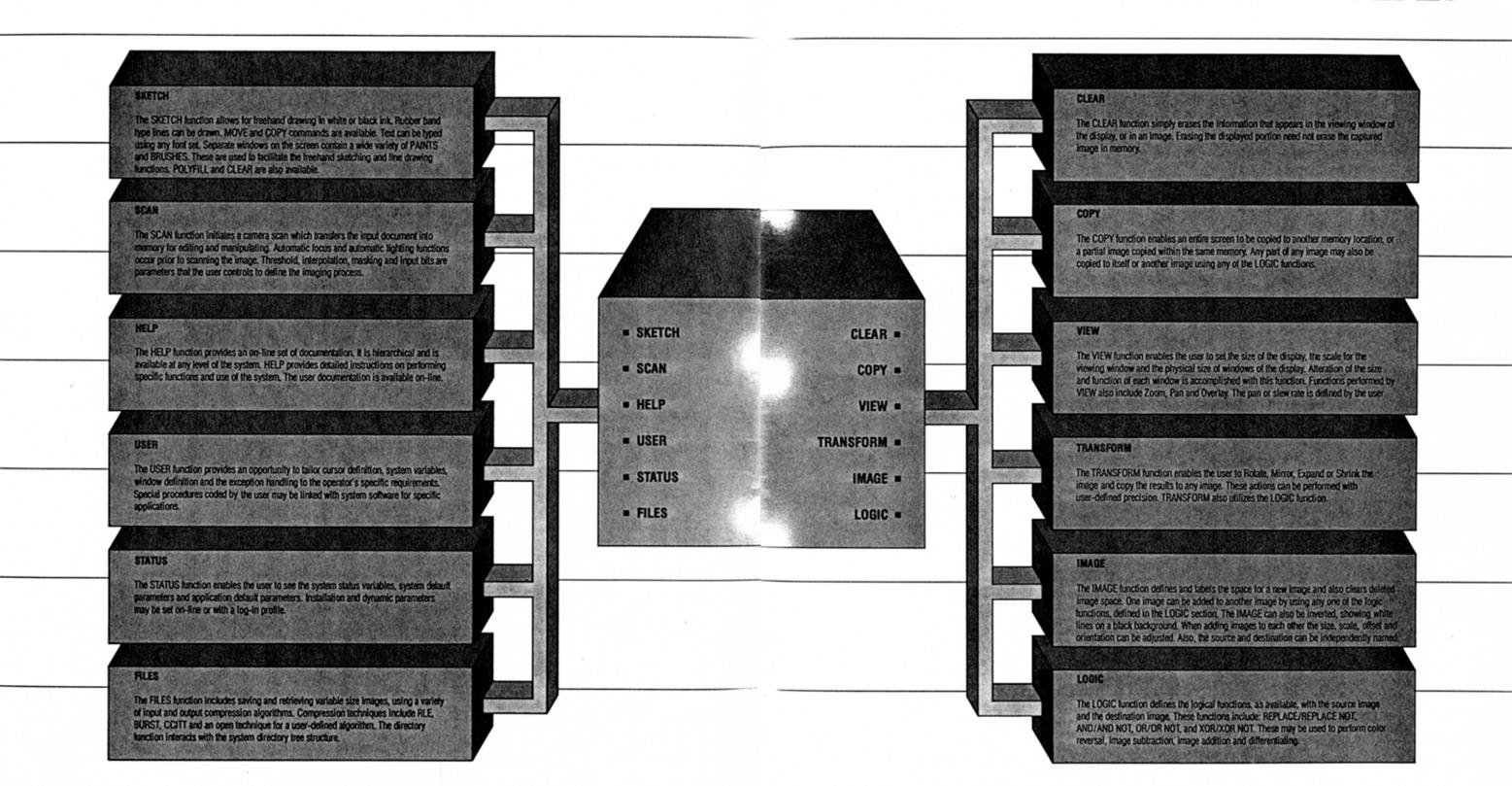
This software system along with Entity Recognition provides the front end to CAD/CAM/CAE computer systems.

Printing

This software system provides an easy input method to phototypesetting and printing systems.

## SOFTWARE





# SPECIFICATIONS

CAMERA		INTERFACE	PRINT METHODS
■ Linear CCD arra	y, mechanical scan	Programmable 8 bit input mask	■ Electrostatic
<ul> <li>4.5 million pixe</li> </ul>	ls in a 1,720 x 2,592 format	<ul> <li>Programmable threshold</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Semiconductor laser</li> </ul>
■ Resolves up to	256 gray levels per pixel	Programmable interpolation hardware	<ul> <li>Helium-neon laser</li> </ul>
Exchangeable 3	5mm lenses (Telescope to	= 1 bit per pixel retention, expandable to 8 bit	Argon laser
microscope)		Direct memory access transfer	PRINT SPEEDS
<ul> <li>Reads 200 poin documents</li> </ul>	ts per inch on 8½ x 11 inch	<ul> <li>2.0 megapixel per second transfer rate to memory</li> </ul>	200 scan lines per second
	s per inch on "D" size	■ 256 gray levels per pixel	<ul> <li>440 scan lines per second</li> </ul>
documents	documents		620 scan lines per second
Captures any in	nage	SOFTWARE	1,000 scan lines per second
<ul> <li>Image scan tim</li> </ul>	e of 2.5 seconds	High level user interface	
WORKSTATION		Camera interface control	TONER TYPES
		Parameter setting	■ Liquid
<ul> <li>Microprogrammed bit slice processor</li> </ul>		Picture acquisition (1-8 bits per pixel) Automatic focus	■ Dry, one component
<ul> <li>1 megabyte M0 megabytes</li> </ul>	OS memory, expandable to 2	<ul> <li>Image data manipulation</li> </ul>	Dry, two components
, ,	stearal Winchester Disk	Editing	■ None
<ul> <li>40 megabyte integral Winchester Disk, expandable to 80 megabytes</li> </ul>		Zoom-and-pan Cut-and-paste	
<ul> <li>Writable control</li> </ul>	ol store, 4K or 16K by 48 bits	Overlay	PAPER TYPES
■ Ethernet® 10 m	negabit local network	Image logic Multi-font text	Coded, roll, fanfold
■ 1,280 x 1,024	landscape display (optional)	Pan	Letter, legal
	gh resolution, raster-scanned	■ Image data base	<ul> <li>Photosensitive paper, film, plate</li> </ul>
graphics display  1,024 x 1,024 color display (optional)		File storage & retrieval Virtual image storage Compressed file format	DOT PITCHES
			- H000 M000
	EE-488 (GPIB) interfaces	<ul> <li>C, Pascal and Fortran compilers</li> </ul>	■ H:200, V:200
■ PNX* Impleme	entation of UNIX** System III**		■ H:240, V:240
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	em III are trademarks of Western		■ H:1,000, V:200 to 1800

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