

Gale Group Computer Database™

ONTAP® Gale Group Computer Database™ (File 805)

FILE DESCRIPTION

Gale Group Computer Database™, File 275, provides comprehensive information about the computer, electronics, and telecommunications industries. Coverage includes detailed information about the evaluation, purchase, use, and support of computer and other electronic products. Gale Group Computer Database is designed to answer the questions of business and computer professionals about hardware, software, networks, peripherals, and services. Lengthy abstracts are available for most records from 1983 to present. Complete text is fully searchable for many records from 1988 to present. ONTAP Gale Group Computer Database™, File 805, is available for **ON**line **T**raining **A**nd **P**ractice; it contains more than 20,000 records from November 1986 through December 1987 from File 275.

SUBJECT COVERAGE

Gale Group Computer Database covers the following computer-related topics:

- Business and Industry Applications
- Company Names and Information
- Computer Graphics
- Computer Systems and Equipment
- Consumer Information
- Database Management
- Electronics
- Financial Information on Computers
- Hardware Design, Development, Reviews
- Home Computers
- Interfaces
- Microprocessors
- Networks
- New Products
- Operating Systems
- Performance Evaluations
- Programming Languages
- Prototyping
- Secondary Platforms
- Software Design, Development, Reviews
- Telecommunications
- Word Processing

SOURCES

Gale Group Computer Database indexes and abstracts many of the most widely circulated English-language journals and magazines on computers, telecommunications, and electronics. Full text is available for more than 100 of the publications. All articles except book reviews, notes, editorials, and event announcements are included. Selected publications are indexed cover-to-cover. Very short items are not abstracted, but the full text may be available in Format 7.

Full text is included for such notable titles as *Computer Shopper*, *MacWorld*, *PC Magazine*, *PC World*, and *Wireless News*.

DIALOG FILE DATA

Inclusive Dates:

File 275: 1/1983 to the present for index and abstract records

1/1988 to the present for full text records

Update Frequency: Daily

File Size: 2,252,390 records as of July 2009

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SAMPLE RECORD

DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer Database(TM)
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AA= 01706931 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16173337 (THIS IS THE FULL TEXT)
/TI Harvard Graphics 3.0 makes quick work of creating lively business presentations; program's built-in E-mail will be a boon for workgroups. (Software Publishing Corp's presentation software) (includes related article on test methods) (Software Review) (Evaluation)

AU= Bethoney, Herb
JN= PC Week, v11, n42, p100(2)
PD=, PY= Oct 24, 1994
DT=, SN=, LA= DOCUMENT TYPE: Evaluation ISSN: 0740-1604 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
RT= RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
WD= WORD COUNT: 2089 LINE COUNT: 00186

/AB, XT ABSTRACT: Software Publishing's \$395 Harvard Graphics 3.0 for Windows presentation package has been upgraded with E-mail and conferencing features, but can only be used on Windows platforms. New presentations are easy to create with the handy tools palette and Animation Player application. A variety of fonts and sound files are supported, which makes Harvard Graphics flexible in accommodating different presentation elements. The Outliner function is weaker than those found in competing products, especially in the area of file importing. Slide shows can be easily created and rearranged and useful Thumbnails of applied effects provide advance information on the final results. The latest upgrade could benefit from better notes and handout support.

/LP, /XT, /TX TEXT:
Quick presentation creations and a design checker distinguish Software Publishing Corp.'s Harvard Graphics 3.0 for Windows. Released at the end of August, the \$395 Harvard Graphics 3.0 presentation program is well-suited for groups working on business presentations and for individual users who occasionally need to whip up presentations.
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PC Week Labs tested Harvard Graphics 3.0 for Windows on several PCs that are typical of the machines on which many users are creating presentations: a 33MHz 386DX-based Dell Computer Corp. 333D; a 33MHz 486DX-based Dell 333DE; and a 50MHz 486DX2-based Dell Latitude 450MC notebook. To test performance, we created a 10-slide presentation in Harvard Graphics consisting of a title slide, six bullet slides with some clip-art graphics, a pie-chart slide, a bar-chart slide, and an organizational-chart slide. Because we couldn't directly import our Harvard Graphics presentation into PowerPoint, we duplicated the test presentation from scratch in PowerPoint. We also tested the conferencing feature over a Novell Inc. NetWare 3.12 LAN via NetBIOS.
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SF= SPECIAL FEATURES: illustration; table
FS= FILE SEGMENT: CD File 275
/CO, CO= COMPANY NAMES: Software Publishing Corp.--Products
/DE DESCRIPTORS: Evaluation; Presentation Graphics Software
SC= SIC CODES: 7372 Prepackaged software
TS= TICKER SYMBOLS: SPCO
/TN, TN= TRADE NAMES: Harvard Graphics for Windows 3.0 (Presentation graphics software)--Evaluation
OP= OPERATING PLATFORM: Microsoft Windows

SEARCH OPTIONS

BASIC INDEX

SEARCH SUFFIX	DISPLAY CODE	FIELD NAME	INDEXING	SELECT EXAMPLES
—	—	All Basic Index Fields	Word	S SOFTWARE(W)PUBLISHING
/AB	AB	Abstract ¹	Word	S WINDOWS(W)PLATFORMS/AB
/CO	CO	Company Name ³	Word	S SOFTWARE(W)PUBLISHING/CO
/CP	CP	Caption ²	Word	S GRAPHICS/CP
/DE	DE	Descriptor ⁴	Word & Phrase	S PRESENTATION(W)GRAPHICS/DE S PARALLEL PROCESSING/DE
/GN	GN	Geographic Name ³	Word	S BOSTON/GN
/LP	LP	Lead Paragraph ¹	Word	S TOOL(W)BAR/LP
/NM	NM	Named Person ⁵	Word	S GATES(W)WILLIAM/NM
/TI	TI	Title	Word	S BUSINESS(W)PRESENTATIONS/TI
/TN	TN	Brand Name ³	Word	S HARVARD(W)GRAPHICS/TN
/TX	TX	Text	Word	S DELL(W)COMPUTER/TX
/XF	—	All Basic Index Fields Except Full Text	Word	S PRODUCT(W)EVALUATION/XF
/XT	XT	Extract	Word	S WINDOWS(W)PLATFORMS/XT

¹ Use /XT for most comprehensive retrieval. Extract field includes both abstract and lead paragraph fields.

² Ceased indexing 1991.

³ Searchable in the Basic Index and in the Additional Indexes.

⁴ Also /DF.

⁵ Also searchable as /NA.

ADDITIONAL INDEXES

SEARCH PREFIX	DISPLAY CODE	FIELD NAME	INDEXING	SELECT EXAMPLES
AA=	AA	IAC Accession Number	Phrase	S AA=16173337
—	AN	DIALOG Accession Number		
AU=	AU	Author	Phrase	S AU=BETHONEY, HERB
CO=	CO	Company Name ³	Phrase	S CO=SOFTWARE PUBLISHING?
DT=	DT	Document Type ⁶	Phrase	S DT=EVALUATION
EC=	EC	Event Code	Phrase	S EC=330
EN=	EN	Event Name	Phrase	S EN=PRODUCT INFORMATION
FS=	FS	File Segment	Phrase	S FS=CD FILE 275
GC=	GC	Geographic Code	Phrase	S GC=NNUSWCA
GN=	GN	Geographic Name ³	Phrase	S GN=CALIFORNIA
JN=	JN	Journal Name	Phrase	S JN=PC WEEK
LA=	LA	Language	Phrase	S LA=ENGLISH
NC=	NC	NAICS Code	Phrase	
NM=	NM	Named Person ^{3,7}	Phrase	S NM=FRANK, JOHN
OP=	OP	Operating Platform ¹¹	Word & Phrase	S OP=(MICROSOFT(W)WINDOWS) S OP=MICROSOFT WINDOWS
PC=	PC	Product Code	Phrase	S PC=7372502
PD=	PD	Publication Date	Phrase	S PD=941024
PN=	PN	Product Name	Phrase	S PN=OPERATING SYSTEMS
PY=	PY	Publication Year	Phrase	S PY=1994
RT=	RT	Record Type ⁸	Phrase	S RT=FULLTEXT
SC=	SC	Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code	Phrase	S SC=7372
SF=	SF	Special Feature ¹²	Phrase	S SF=TABLE
SN=	SN	International Standard Serial Number (ISSN)	Phrase	S SN=0740-1604
—	SO	Source Information ⁹		
TN=	TN	Brand Name ³	Phrase	S TN=HARVARD GRAPHICS FOR WINDOWS?
TS=	TS	Ticker Symbol	Phrase	S TS=SPCO
UD=	—	Update ¹⁰	Phrase	S UD=9999
WD=	WD	Word Count	Numeric	S WD=2089

⁶ Also searchable as AT=.

⁷ Also searchable as NA=.

⁸ Also searchable as AV=.

⁹ Display includes Journal Name, Volume, Issue, Pagination, and Publication Date.

¹⁰ Not available in File 805.

¹¹ No longer added beginning in 1996.

¹² Special Feature will cease indexing as of 15 March 2002, but backfile data will remain online.

SPECIAL FEATURES

For command descriptions, enter HELP LIMIT, HELP SORT, HELP RANK, HELP DUP, HELP CURRENT online.

LIMIT	/ -- DIALOG Accession Number /ENG -- English-Language Publications /FULLTEXT -- Full-Text Publication /LONG -- Word Count of 1,000 words or more /NOFULL -- Articles without Full Text /SHORT -- Word Count of less than 1,000 words /YYYY -- Publication Year	S S3/0010000-000000 S S5/ENG S S4/FULLTEXT S S2/LONG S SOFTWARE/NOFULL S S2/SHORT S S2/1993
SORT	AA, AU, CO, JN, PD, PY, TI	SORT S1/ALL/PD,D PRINT S2/5/1-24/CO
RANK	All phrase- and numeric-indexed fields in the Additional Indexes can be ranked. Other RANK codes include: DE	RANK DE RANK AU S4
RD, ID	Remove duplicates (RD) or identify duplicates (ID,IDO).	RD S5
CURRENT	Search only the most recent year plus one (CURRENT1) to five (CURRENT5) years.	B 275 CURRENT2

PREDEFINED FORMAT OPTIONS

NO.	DIALOGWEB FORMAT	RECORD CONTENT
1	--	DIALOG Accession Number
2	--	Bibliographic Citation, Word Count, and Indexing
3	Medium	Bibliographic Citation and Word Count
4	--	Bibliographic Citation and Abstract
5	Long	Full Record except Text
6	Free	Title and Word Count
7	--	Bibliographic Citation and Text
8	Short	Title, Word Count, and Indexing
9	Full	Full Record
K	--	KWIC (Key Word In Context) displays a window of text; may be used alone or with other formats

OTHER OUTPUT OPTIONS

For an explanation, enter HELP TYPE, HELP UDF, HELP TAG online.

USER DEFINED FORMATS	Display codes listed in the Search Options tables can be used to customize output.	TYPE S4/TI,AB,TX/1-10
TAG	Output can be displayed with tags identifying each display field.	TYPE S3/5/1-10 TAG
DIRECT RECORD ACCESS	If the accession number of a specific record is known, it can be used to display the record directly.	TYPE 00100005/5 DISPLAY 0074483/TI,JN PRINT11 50301964/9

FOR ONLINE HELP:

See HELP FIELDS 275 for searchable fields; HELP FORMAT 275 for output formats; HELP LIMIT 275 for limits; HELP RATES 275 for cost information; HELP SORT 275 for sorts.