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QuickDraw GX: Portable Digital Document Description (2/95)

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TOPIC -----

This article provides a brief description of the Portable Digital Document feature of QuickDraw GX.

DISCUSSION -----

A Portable Digital Document (PDD) is a file that contains data to be printed. QuickDraw GX supports the Portable Digital Document (PDD) document file format, which lets you exchange documents with other GX users, who can read and print the documents without having the same application or fonts installed.

QuickDraw GX creates a Portable Digital Document when an application begins the printing process. The process of creating a portable digital document is also referred to as spooling. To create a PDD, select "Print" from the file menu and then select "PDD Maker GX" from the pop-up menu.

Any application can create a PDD, which retains all the font, graphic, and typographic information of the original document. A PDD document can be opened, viewed, and printed from any other Macintosh with QuickDraw GX installed, even if the other Macintosh has not installed the application originally used to create the document.

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