

**GRID™**

IT'S MORE THAN JUST A  
HIGH PERFORMANCE  
PORTABLE COMPUTER.



# IT'S THE TOTAL SOLUTION FROM GRiD.

Planning to buy a high performance portable computer?

You probably already know there's more to solving problems than just buying hardware. Because today, anyone can sell you hardware.

But only one company can give you a full range of portable computers with software that's customized to fit your specific needs, a complete choice of peripherals and networking options, thorough training programs, and *extensive* after sale support.

It's the GRiD total "systems solution." And it's just as powerful and well-designed as our famous briefcase computers.

The GRiD systems solution means that we take the time to fully understand your application. We work closely with you until your problems are solved. We're there when you need us, and that's just the beginning.



Whether your application is sales, engineering, auditing, government, banking or consulting, GRiD's big, easy to read screen is perfect for client presentations.

## GRiD sets the standard for performance.

Side-by-side comparisons of GRiD and other so called "high performance" portables have proven why GRiD sets the standard in performance.

Because no one can challenge GRiD's power.

The facts speak for themselves. GRiD computers have more memory. More processing speed and power. *Far* better screen clarity. Faster communications. Ruggedness. Reliability. A choice of 9 models. Only GRiD has it all.

Take a closer look.

The GRiD Compass is the *only* portable computer with a screen clarity that lets you work comfortably all day long. Everyone else uses inexpensive LCD screens that are hard on the eyes and almost impossible for more than one person to view at once.

And even though GRiD computers weigh just 10 pounds and fit nicely in a briefcase, they're actually *more powerful* than most desktop computers.

## 17 software programs that all work together.

Finding the right program to fit your application is no problem.

With GRiD's Management Tools Software you'll get a fully integrated set of 17 applications packages that are extremely easy to use.

That's because they all use common

commands, so once you've learned one program, you know how to use all the rest.

There are five basic GRiD Management Tools: GRiDWrite, for text editing, GRiDPlan, an electronic spreadsheet, GRiDPlot, for instant business graphics, GRiDFile, a data base manager and GRiD Record/Playback, a unique program that automates your custom applications.

All GRiD software is fully integrated. Which means the same data can be retrieved from a host computer, analyzed in GRiDPlan, graphed with GRiDPlot, and put into a memo with GRiDWrite.

GRiD communications software guarantees easy access to any other computer. GRiDMaster manages your daily desk activities like appointment calendars, phone lists, project schedules, etc. GRiDPaint is perfect for preparing striking presentations. GRiDLab

turns the computer into a high performance data acquisition instrument. And GRiD's powerful development environment has everything your programmers need.

But the real secret behind GRiD software is the way it can easily be customized for specific applications. Using GRiDTask with our Management Tools, you can create custom programs overnight.

Of course, GRiD also supports MS-DOS and over 100 of the most popular IBM-PC programs, including Lotus 1-2-3, WordStar, dBASEII, and Multiplan. And with GRiDTransfer you can take data from all these MS-DOS programs and move it back and forth between GRiD software programs.

It's all part of GRiD's total systems solution.

## GRiD's Remote Area Network goes the distance.

Using a GRiD computer is like sitting at your desk, even when you're 3,000 miles away.

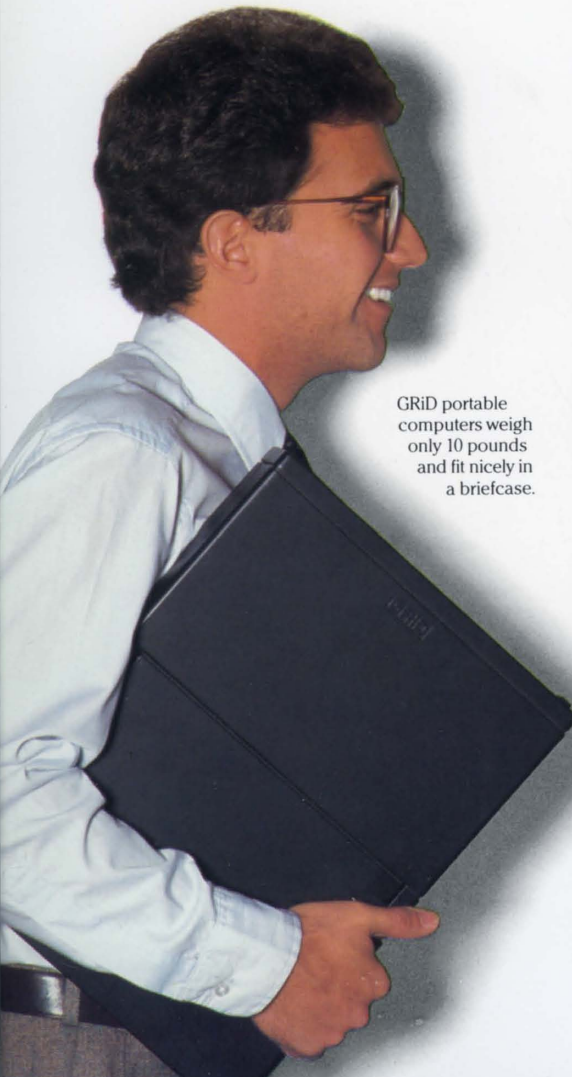
GRiD's powerful communications



Only GRiD offers user-installable ROM cartridges with standard and custom software.



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capability provides all the information you need — from the corporate database, your department files or your personal files. It's all right at your fingertips.

That's because GRiD Server, our Remote Area Network, lets you communicate with everyone, in or out of your office.

GRiD offers the most complete set of communication tools in the portable market. So if your corporate computer is an IBM, DEC, H-P, Tandem or any other mainframe or minicomputer, GRiD systems can communicate.

### A range of printers and storage devices.

GRiD offers many different printers and storage devices to suit every application.

Whether you need letter quality or high speed dot matrix printers, plotters, hard disk storage or 5¼" floppy disks, GRiD has a wide selection.

### Training and support when you need it most.

GRiD's comprehensive training, support and service programs are unique in the portable computer industry. Training programs and on-line tutorials can be customized to meet your needs, whatever your application.

And the GRiD Resource Center is open 10 hours a day to help you succeed.

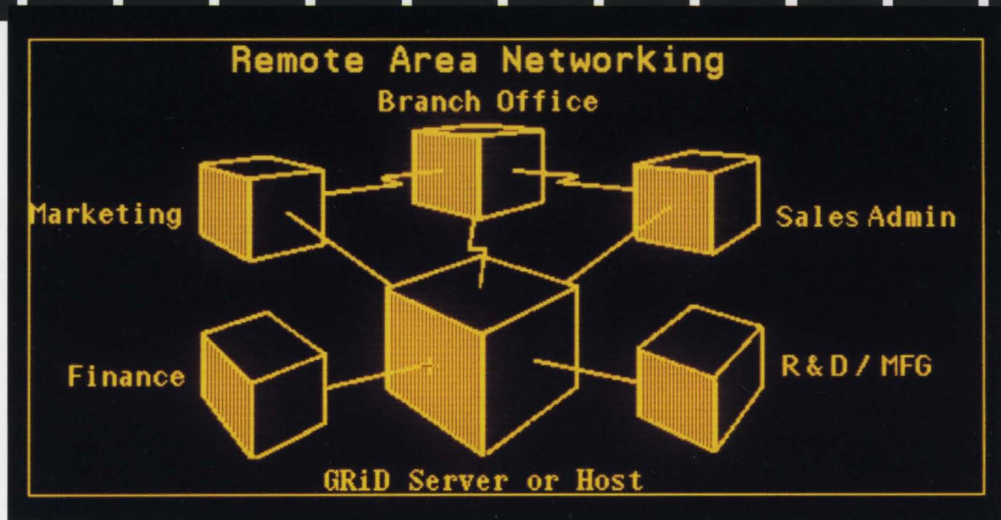
### What about cost?

Portable computer equipment represents a significant investment.

So it's important to consider "hidden" costs.

And this is where GRiD's total solution really provides the answer.

You probably know that the cost of hardware is small compared to the frustration and wasted time spent with inadequate training, software that doesn't perform, hardware failures, and systems



GRiD's Remote Area Network connects up to 58 simultaneous users of GRiD Compasses and IBM-PC's so they can communicate and share data between departments, with host computers, with branch offices, and while on the road.

that just don't deliver what was promised.

That's why you need a vendor who can provide a total systems solution, not just half-way measures. GRiD reduces the risk of unexpected expenses that could double or triple your original investment.

GRiD Systems Corporation is the only systems company in the portable computer market. Our expertise is unsurpassed. And

we're dedicated to establishing long term relationships with satisfied customers.



With GRiD's expanded hardware service program, any malfunctioning computer will be replaced immediately with an identical loaner.

# THE GRiD COMPASS. THIS IS WHAT HIGH PERFORMANCE REALLY MEANS.

GRiD computers have up to 1.4 million characters of internal memory capacity—or over 500 typed pages!

GRiD computers can do many calculations as fast as minicomputers. Only GRiD offers two central processors: a 16-bit Intel 8086 that's compatible with IBM-PC software, and a special high speed 8087 numeric and graphics processor.

GRiD's high contrast light-emitting EL screen can be viewed from any angle and under any lighting conditions.

With our new large 8½" EL screen, you can display 25 lines and up to 128 characters across, all at once.

GRiD computers have the unique capacity to hold up to 512K of user installable ROM cartridges with standard or customized software.

GRiD computers weigh just 10 pounds and fit nicely into a briefcase. Yet they're *more powerful* than most desktop computers.



GRiD is the most rugged portable computer on the market. Its solid state electronics and magnesium case can withstand impacts of up to 160 G's!

GRiD uses reliable bubble memory that acts like a built-in electronic disk drive.

With GRiD's built-in high speed 1200 baud modem, you can send data over ordinary phone lines. And you can do it *four times faster* than with other portables!

GRiD Server connects both GRiD computers and IBM-PC's in a local and remote area network. Up to 58 users can communicate simultaneously, from any location.

GRiD supports MS-DOS and over 100 of the most popular IBM-PC programs.

There are over 17 GRiD software programs to choose from. They all work together and are extremely easy to use.

## Specifications

### PORTABLE COMPUTER FAMILY:

9 models available  
Easy to read light emitting EL screen  
Up to 512K RAM  
384K of non-volatile bubble memory  
Up to 512K of user-installable ROM cartridges  
High speed 300/1200 baud modem  
Rugged magnesium case  
Weighs 10 pounds

### SOFTWARE:

17 Easy to learn Integrated Software Packages  
Extensive communications software, including DEC VT100, IBM 3101 and TTY terminal emulators  
Complete program development environment with 5 languages

MS-DOS operating system and over 100 popular IBM-PC programs  
Electronic software distribution

### PERIPHERALS:

Portable IBM-PC format floppy disk drive  
10Mb Hard Disk System with floppy disk drive  
GRiDCentral high capacity data storage via phone line  
Plotters, dot-matrix, ink-jet, and letter quality printers

### GRiD SERVER:

Supports up to 58 GRiD computers and IBM-PC's  
Share files and peripherals in or out of the office  
Access via phone or twisted pair cable  
10 and 40 megabyte disk drives

### TRAINING, SERVICE, AND SUPPORT:

Management Tools Software Workshops  
Program Development Training  
On-Site Applications Consulting  
Computers available for loan during repairs  
10 hour a day telephone assistance

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