Topic: Output Devices

- > Soft Copy: Monitor, Projector, Speakers
- Hard Copy: Printers(impact & non-impact)



Hardcopy Output Devices

Printers: are used to present and store all kinds of information on paper, such as letter, legal documents, scientific data and graphs, photographs and advertising

material.



Hardcopy Output Devices

Printers:

- 1. Impact Printers: refers to a class of printers that work by banging a head or needle against an ink ribbon to make a mark on the paper.
- 2. Non-Impact Printers: any printer, such as a laser printer, ink-jet printer, LED page printer, that prints without striking the paper, Non-impact printers are quieter than impact printers, and also faster due the lack of moving parts in the print head.

Hardcopy Output Devices

Printers:

1. Impact Printers:



1. Non-Impact Printers:



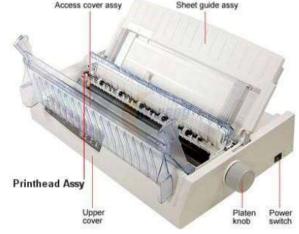
Hardcopy Output Devices

Printers:

1. Impact Printers

Dot Matrix Printer: uses a print head that moves back-and-forth, or in an up-and-down motion, on the page and prints by impact, striking an ink-soaked cloth ribbon against the paper, much like the print mechanism

on a typewriter.



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1. Impact Printers: A. Dot Matrix Printer **Printers:** 2. Non-Impact Printers: A. Inkjet Printer **B.** LaserJet Printer C. Thermal Transfer Printer

D. Plotter Printer

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Printers:

2. Non-Impact Printers

a. Inkjet Printer: produce an image by spraying ink onto the paper in a dot matrix pattern. Color graphics can be produce by spraying cyan, magenta, yellow and black into onto the paper.



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Printers:

2. Non-Impact Printers

b. LaserJet Printer: Use a process similar to that of a photocopying machine and are very common in the modern office. A laser beam and dry powdered ink called toner produces a very fine dot matrix pattern.





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2. Non-Impact Printers

c. Thermal Transfer Printer: Process in which material is applied to paper (or some other material) by melting a coating of ribbon so that it stays glued to the material on which the print is applied.





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Printers:

2. Non-Impact Printers

d. Plotter Printer: is a printer that interprets commands from a computer to make line drawings on paper with one or more automated pens. Unlike a regular printer, the plotter can draw continuous point-to-point lines directly from vector graphics files or command



Graphics software

There are mainly two types of graphics software:

- General programming package
- Special-purpose application package

General programming package

- A general programming package provides an extensive set of graphics function that can be used in high level programming language such as C or FORTRAN.
- It includes basic drawing element shape like line, curves, polygon, color of element transformation etc.
- Example: GL (Graphics Library).

Special-purpose application package

- Special-purpose application package are customize for particular application which implement required facility and provides interface so that user need not to very about how it will work (programming).
- User can simply use it by interfacing with application.
- Example: CAD, medical and business systems

End of Unit 1