

2 Applications of Electrostatics

2 applications of Electrostatics are: ~

- (1) Xerography (Photocopier or Dry printer)
- (2) Inkjet Printer (Coloured copies producer)

(1) Xerography: ~

The copying process is known as Xerography.

Greek word: ~

Greek word "Xeros" and "graphos" means
"Dry printing".

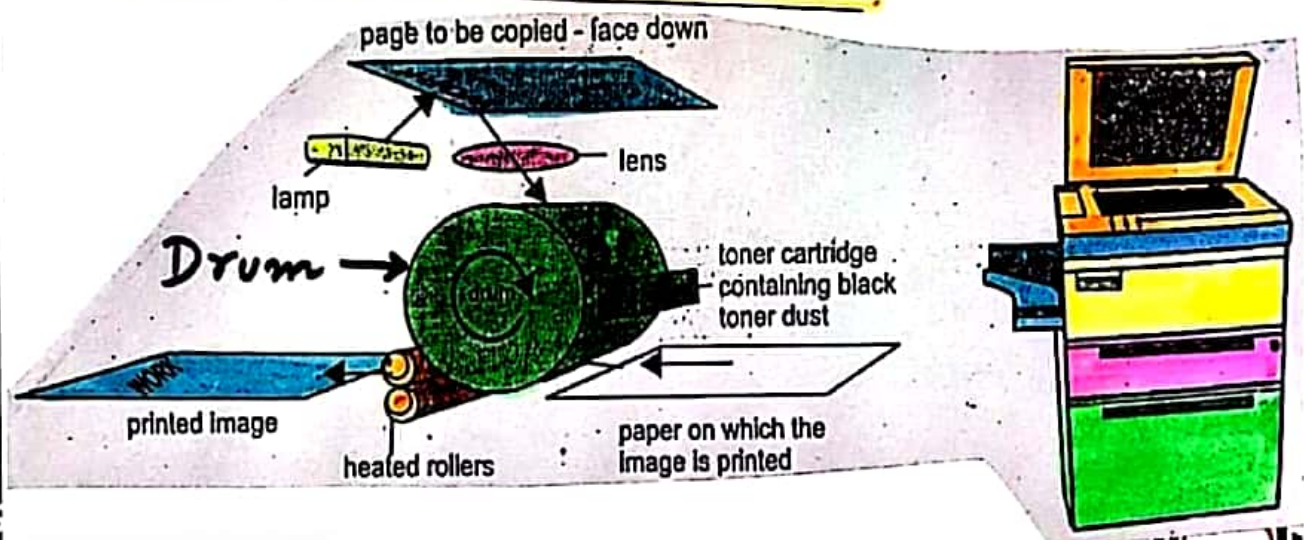
Working Principle: ~

Electrostatic Interaction (opposite charges attract each other)

Scientist: ~

Xerography was introduced by "XEROX" in 1959.

Schematic Diagram: ~



Print Head : ~

The thin stream of ink shuttles back and forth across the paper.

Nozzle : ~

Ink comes out of nozzle (a small jet) and breaks up into tiny droplets.

Charging Electrodes : ~

These electrodes are used to charge the ink droplets that are not needed on paper.

2 Cases : ~ (Deflection Plates + Gutter)

When Electrode is Left ON : ~

• When print head moves over regions of paper which are not to be inked, the charging electrode is left on and droplets get charged.

• These charged droplets when pass through deflection plates, the plates divert them into gutter and paper gets no ink.

When Electrode is Left OFF : ~

• When print head moves over regions of paper which are to be inked, the charging electrode is left off.

• The uncharged droplets fly straight through the deflection plates and strikes the paper.

Charging Control : ~

It take instructions from computer (to left on or off charging electrodes).

