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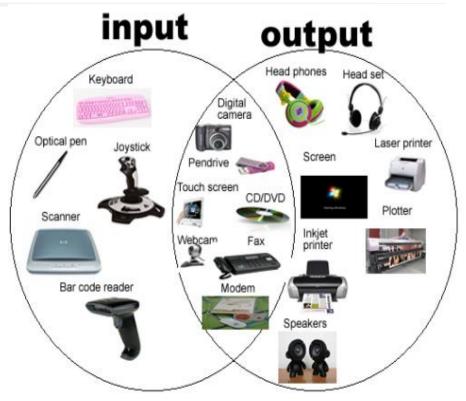
Computer Organization

First Stage Lecture -7

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External Hardware Computer Components

External computer components connect to a computer system from OUTSIDE. They are not necessary for the system to function but make our experiences easier or better. We will discuss the following:



- Input Devices: used to get data into a computer.
- Output Devices: used to get information out of a computer



Output Devices

- An **output device** is any peripheral device that receives data from a computer, usually for display, projection, or physical output.
- Following are few of the important output devices which are used in a computer.
 - Monitor
 - Printer
 - Projector
 - Speakers
 - Head Set (headphone)
 - Plotter



Monitor



Printer



Speakers



Head Set



Projector



Plotter

Monitor

- Monitors, commonly called as Visual Display Unit (VDU), are the main output device of a computer. It forms images from tiny dots, called pixels that are arranged in a rectangular form. The sharpness of the image depends upon the number of pixels.
- There are two kinds of viewing screen used for monitors.
 - Cathode-Ray Tube (CRT)
 - > Flat- Panel Display





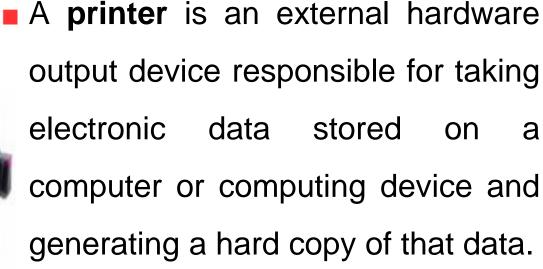
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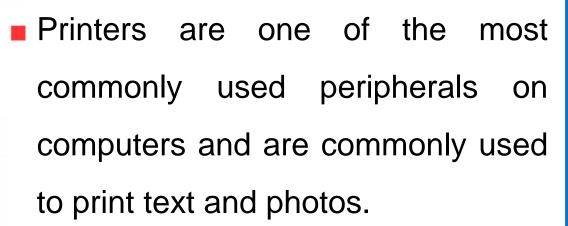














MULTI FUNCTION PRINTER

3 Projector

The projector is an output device that can take images generated by a computer and reproduce them on a large, flat (usually lightly colored) surface.



For example, you could connect a projector to a computer using an HDMI cable to show a presentation in a meeting so that everyone in the room can see your presentation.



4 Speakers

- A speaker is a term used to describe the user who is giving vocal commands to a software program.
- A hardware device connected to a computer's sound card that outputs sound generated by the computer.
- Because computer sound cards are not powerful enough to power a nice set of speakers, today's speakers are selfpowered and small in size.



5 Headphones

- Sometimes referred to as earphones or head set.
- Headphones are a hardware device that either plugs into your computer (line out) or your speakers to privately listen to audio without disturbing anyone else.



6 Plotter

- A plotter is a computer hardware device much like a printer that is used for high print quality.
- Instead of toner, plotters use a pen, pencil, marker, or another writing tool to print a very large pictures, maps, etc.
- Plotters can also produce very large and accurate documents such blueprints (plans) for buildings.

