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(54) Inkjet printer with electrostatically actuated plates

(57) In an inkjet nozzle comprising:

a nozzle chamber having an ink ejection port in one wall of said chamber;
 an ink supply source interconnected to said nozzle chamber;
 an electrostatic actuator to eject ink from said nozzle chamber via said ink ejection port, said electrostatic actuator comprising a series of conductive parallel

plates interleaved with a resiliently compressible material; such that, a potential difference across said plates attracts adjacent plates to one another thereby causing said compressible material to resiliently yield; and
 reducing said potential difference returns said compressible material to its quiescent state, thereby resulting in the ejection of ink from said ejection port.

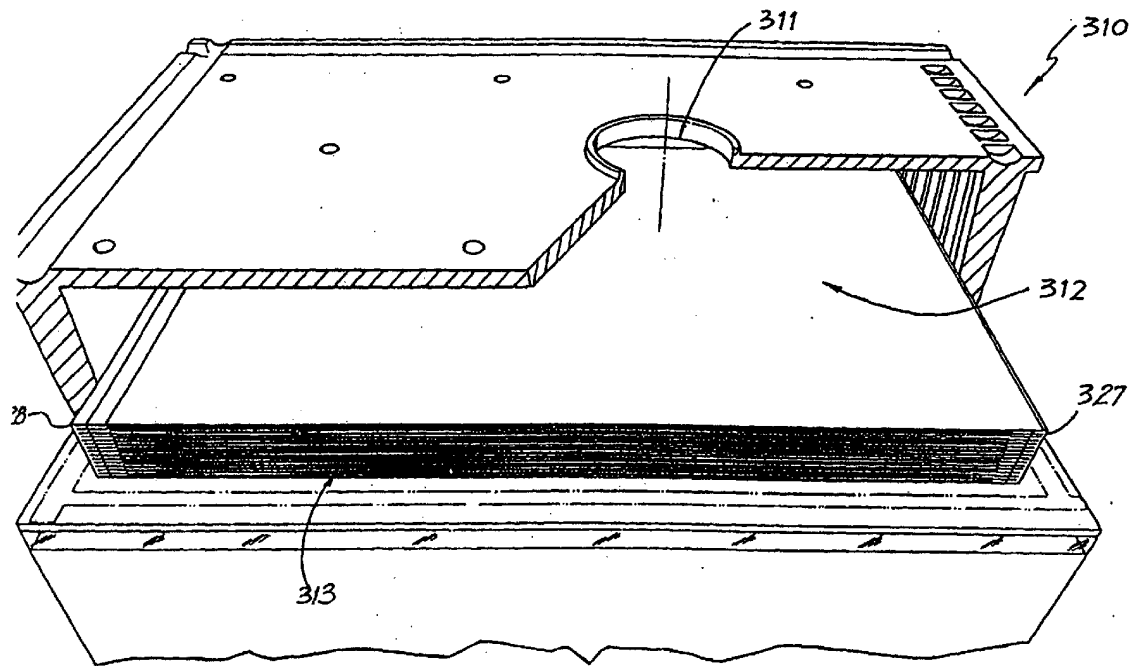


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