Early Computing Machines



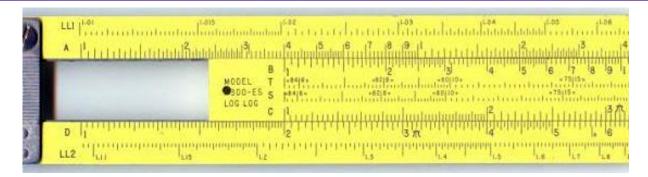


Antikythera Mechanism



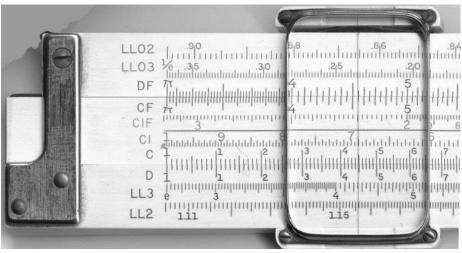
Abacus





Clip from Apollo 13





What is a computer? What should a computer do?

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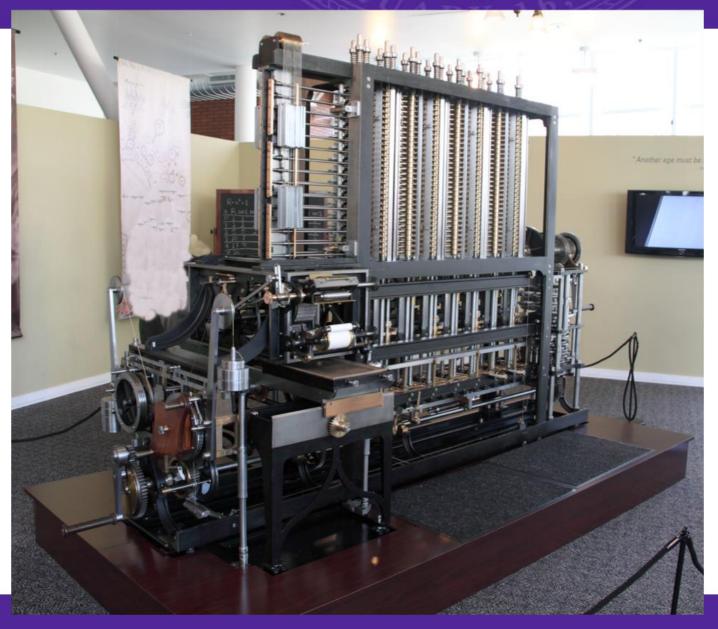
Pascaline



Leibniz Wheel



Difference Engine

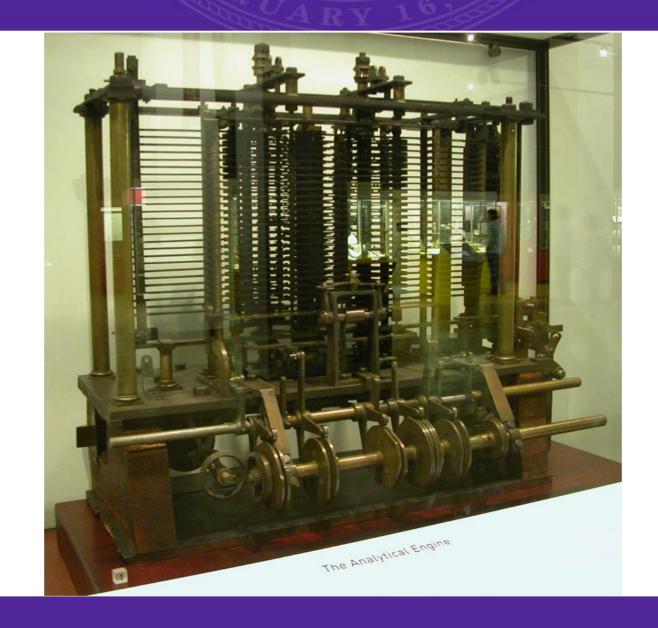


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Jacquard Loom



Analytical Engine



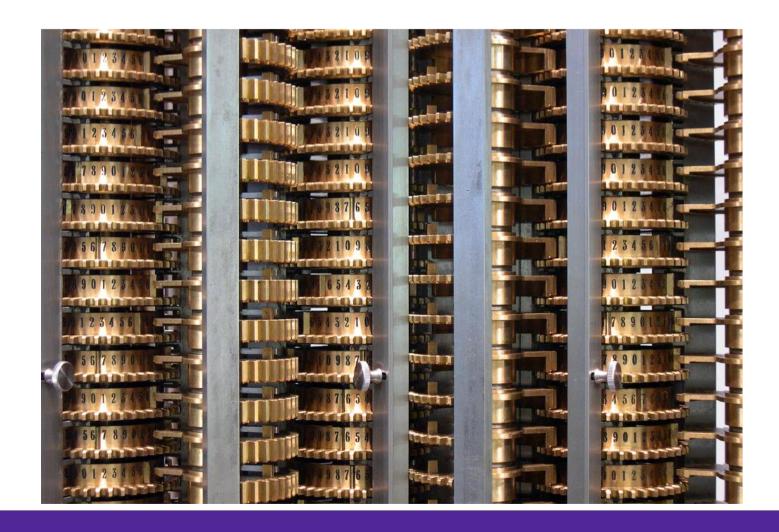
Input Cards and the Mill





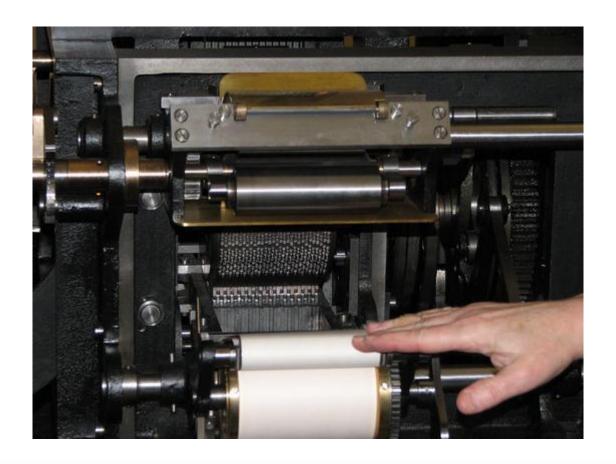
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The Store

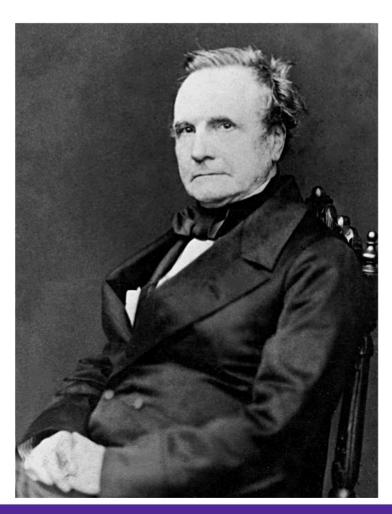


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The Printer



Father of the Modern Computer



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[&]quot;I'm a philosopher. Confound them all— Birds, beasts, and men; but no, not womankind,"—Don Juan.

[&]quot;I now gave my mind to philosophy: the great object of my ambition was to make out a complete system of the universe, including and comprehending the origin, causes, consequences, and termination of all things. Instead of countenance, encouragement, and applause, which I should have received from every one who has the true dignity of an oyster at heart, I was exposed to calumny and misrepresentation. While engaged in my great work on the universe, some even went so far as to accuse me of infidelity;—such is the malignity of oysters."—"Autobiography of an Oyster" deciphered by the aid of photography in the shell of a philosopher of that race,—recently reolloped.