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M&Ms: Computing Past, Present, and Future

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The Semester at a Glance

- The Past: How did computing come to be?
- The Present: The way things work
- The Future: What can't computers do now and, if they could, what would change?
- Your investment: Discussion, Quizzes

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How Did Computing Come to Be? The People

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Questions

- What is computing?
- Why do we need it?
- Who invented computing?
- Are the limits to what can be computed?

Why Compute?

Halley's Comet

Can you predict where a ballistic object will go over time?

The Age of Steam

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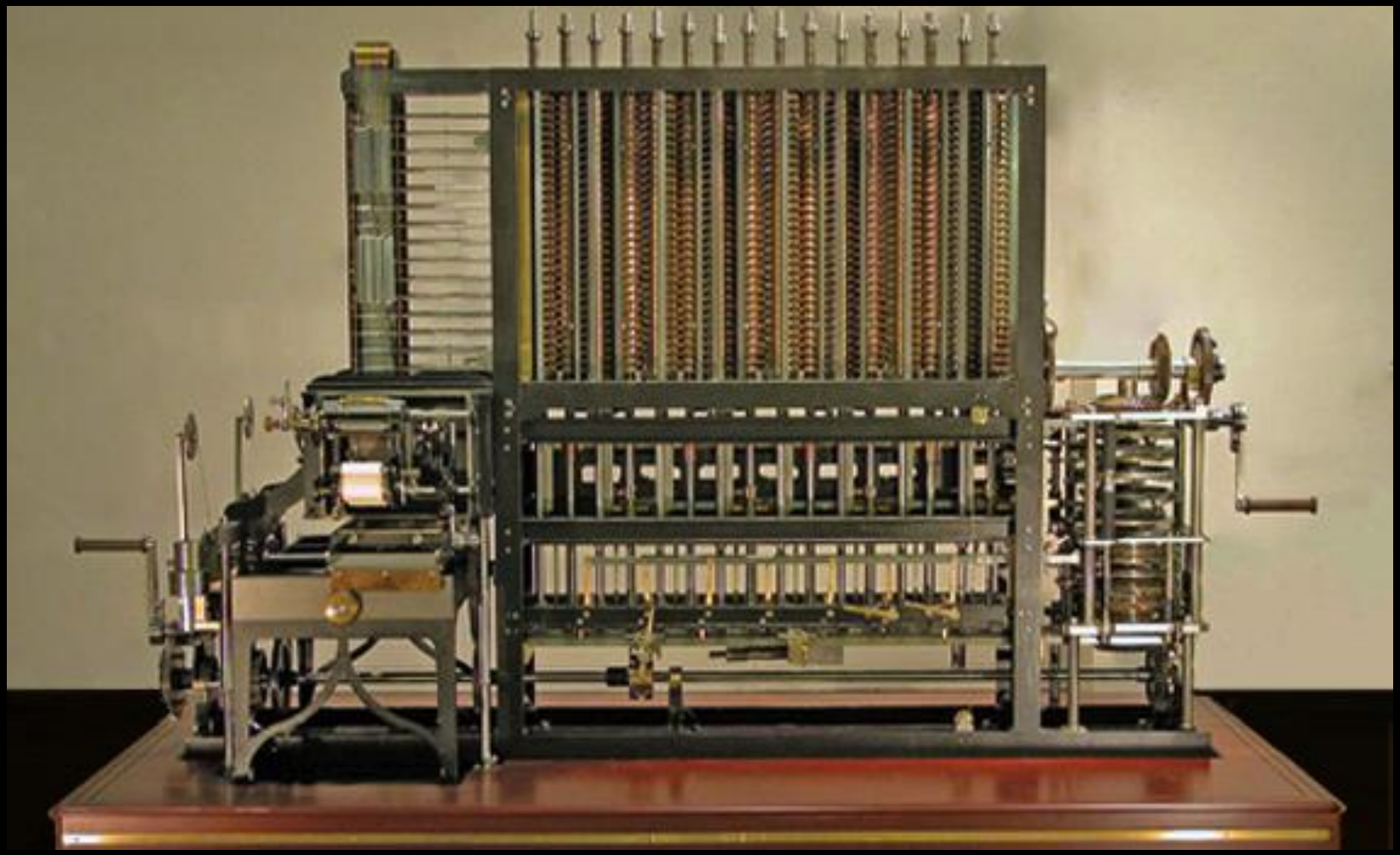
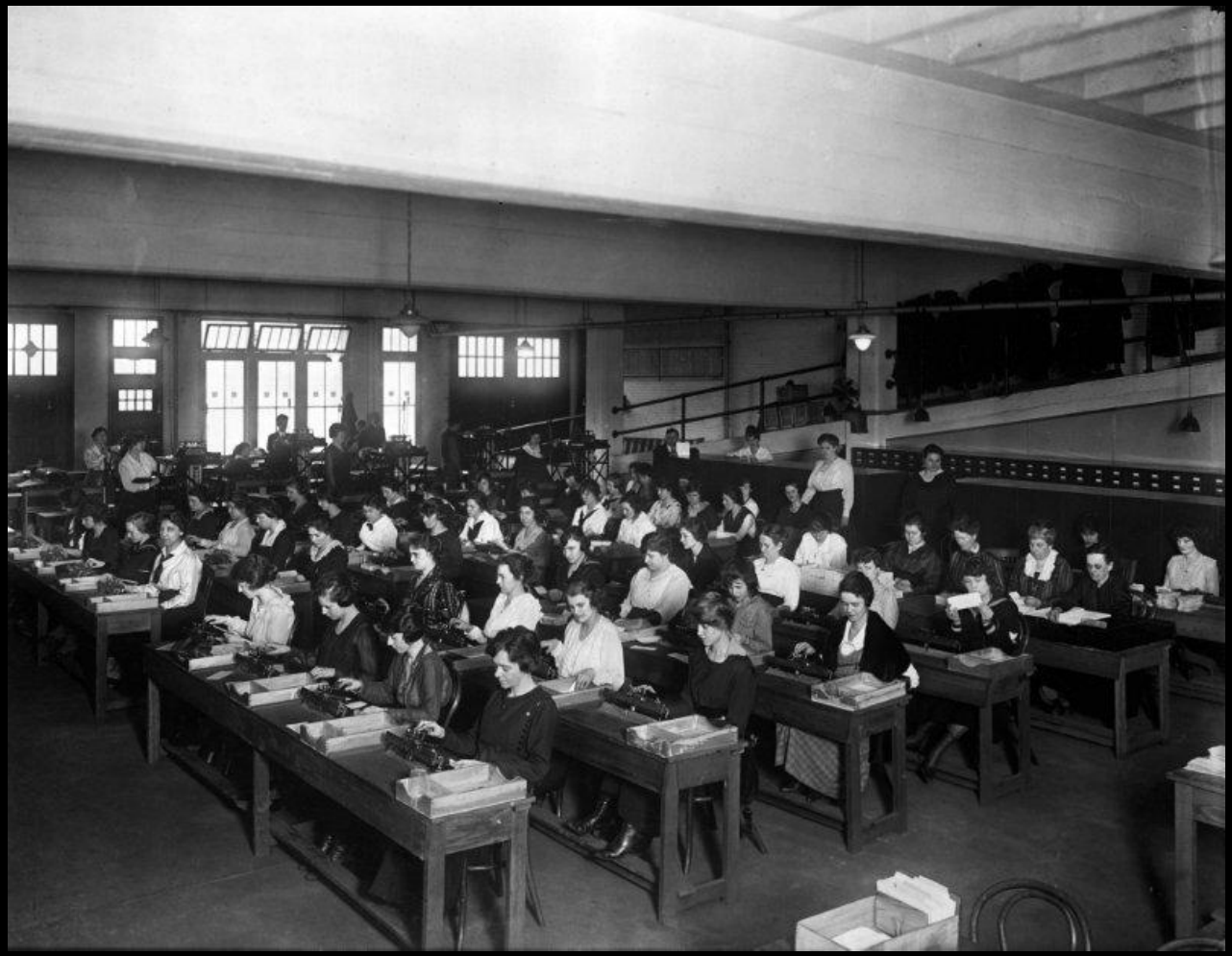
http://www.computerhistory.org/babbage/history/



Machines vs. People



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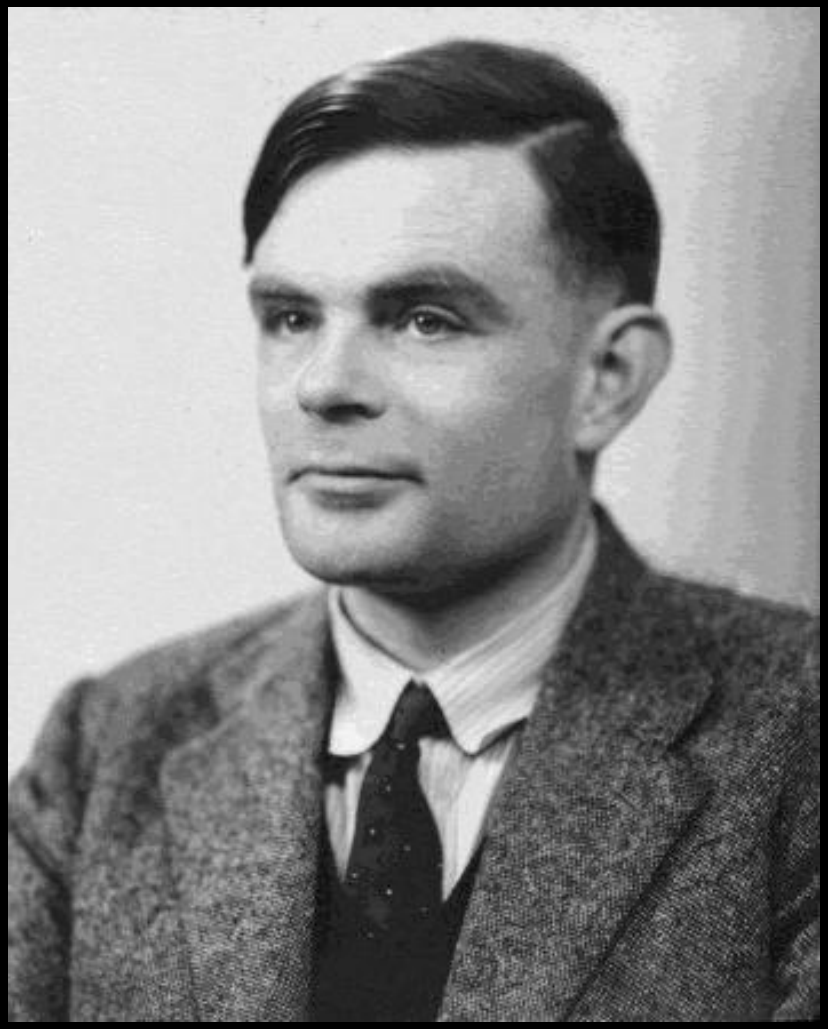
Modern Computation is Born



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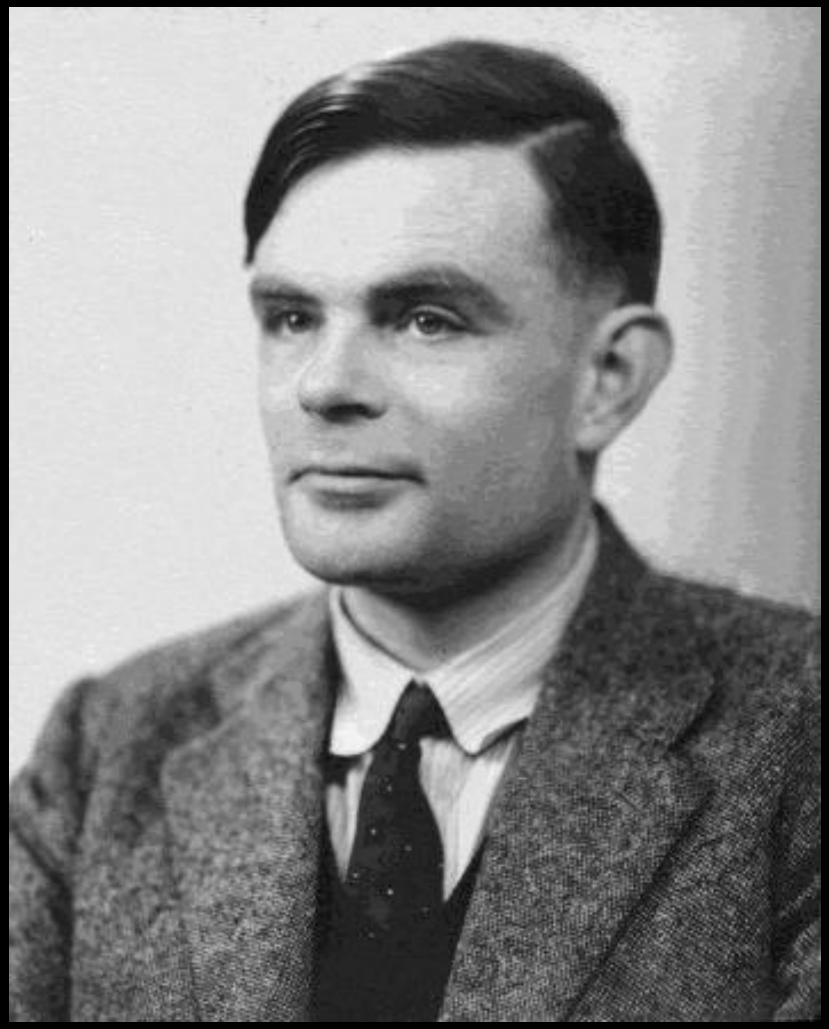

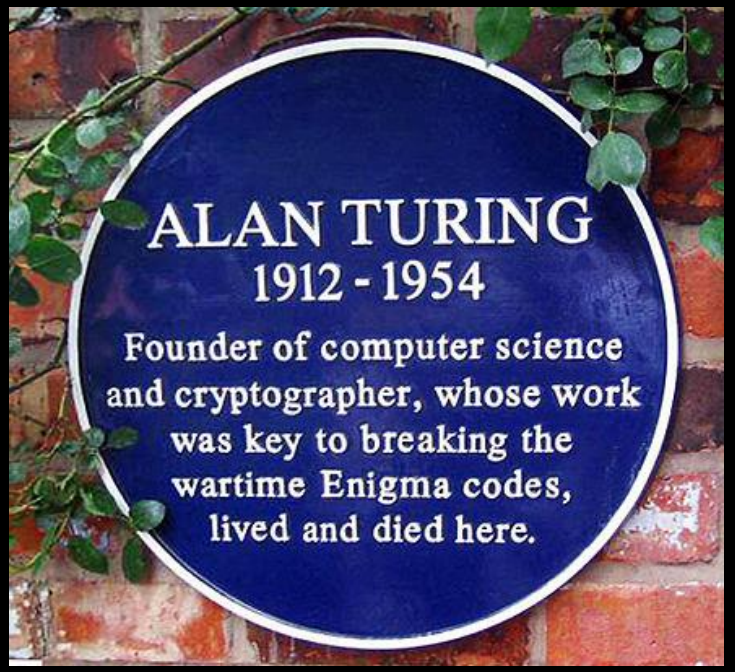

- Widely consider the father of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence

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What Did Turing Do?

- On Computable Numbers, with an Application to the *Entscheidungsproblem*" (1936)
  - The “Turing Machine”

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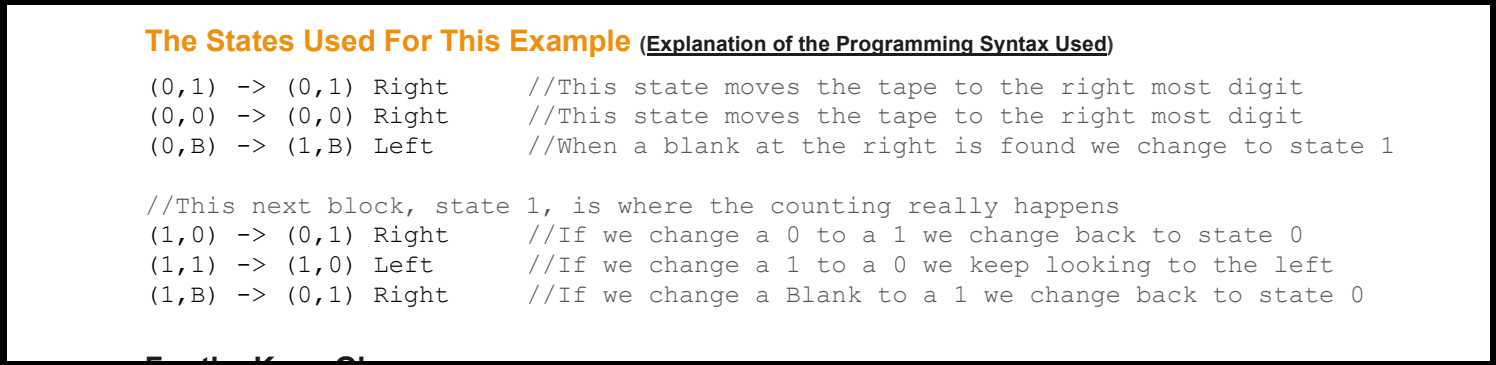

The States Used For This Example (Explanation of the Programming Syntax Used)

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(0,1) -> (0,1) Right     //This state moves the tape to the right most digit
(0,0) -> (0,0) Right     //This state moves the tape to the right most digit
(0,B) -> (1,B) Left      //When a blank at the right is found we change to state 1

//This next block, state 1, is where the counting really happens
(1,0) -> (0,1) Right     //If we change a 0 to a 1 we change back to state 0
(1,1) -> (1,0) Left      //If we change a 1 to a 0 we keep looking to the left
(1,B) -> (0,1) Right     //If we change a Blank to a 1 we change back to state 0
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Halting Problem Proof Idea

- Suppose h(i,x)
  - returns 1 if program i halts on x;
  - 0 otherwise
- Consider a program g(i) that
  - Returns 0 if h(i,i) = 0
  - Goes into an infinite loop otherwise
- Suppose g(g) -> 0
  - but then h(g,g) =0, so g doesn't halt and return 0
- g(g) -> undefined (infinite loop),
  - but then h(g,g) =1, so g halts and returns 0

What Did Turing Do

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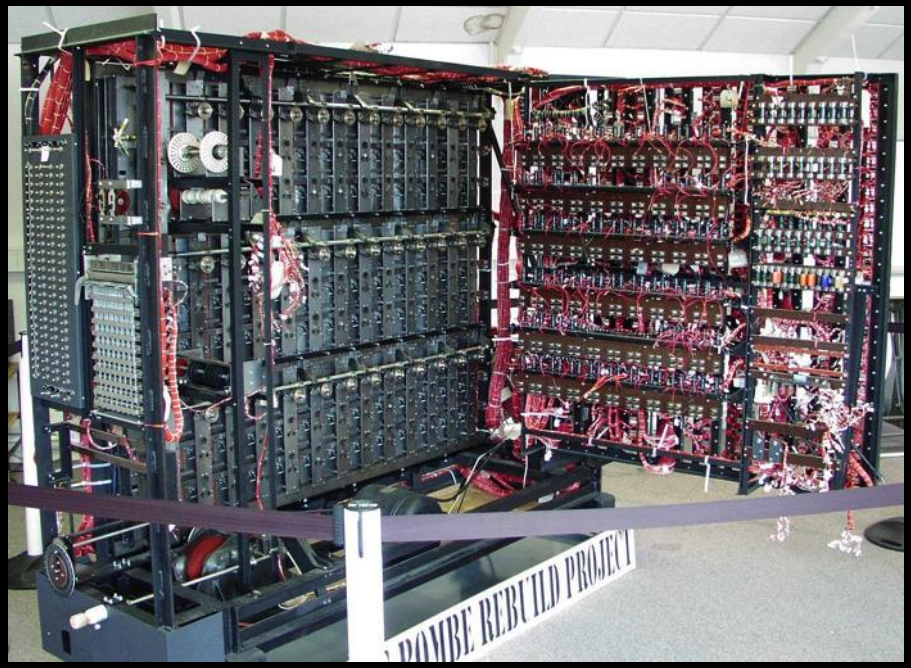
The Bombe



The Enigma

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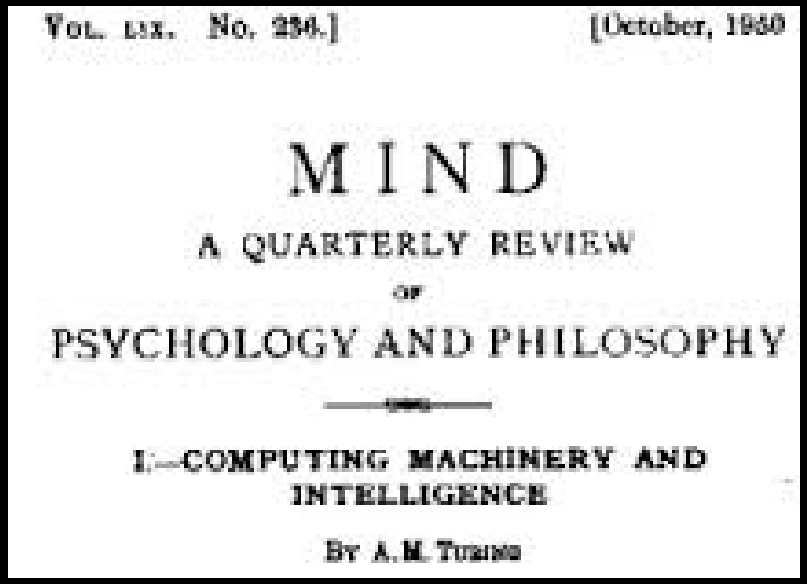

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A QUARTERLY REVIEW

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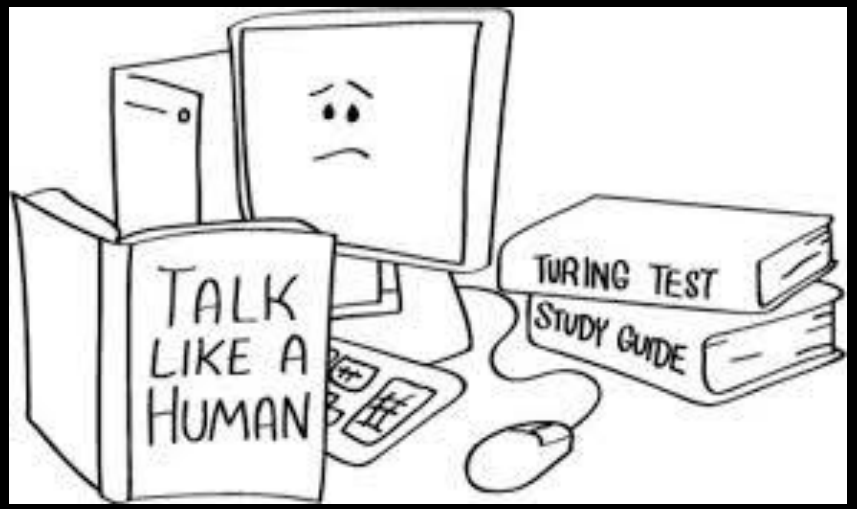
PSYCHOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY

I.—COMPUTING MACHINERY AND INTELLIGENCE

BY A. M. TURING



Some Ideas

- What is intelligence?
  - The “Turing test” – intelligence is phenomenological
  - *Nevertheless I believe that at the end of the century the use of words and general educated opinion will have altered so much that one will be able to speak of machines thinking without expecting to be contradicted.*
- Are there fundamental reasons machines could not be intelligent?
- Could machines be taught like people?
  - Instead of trying to produce a programme to simulate the adult mind, why not rather try to produce one which simulates the child's? If this were then subjected to an appropriate course of education one would obtain the adult brain.

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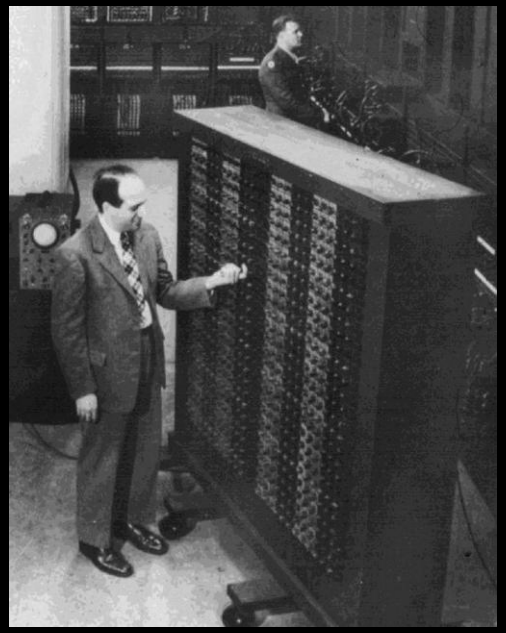
How Did Computing Come to Be?
The Machines



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From Computability to Computing

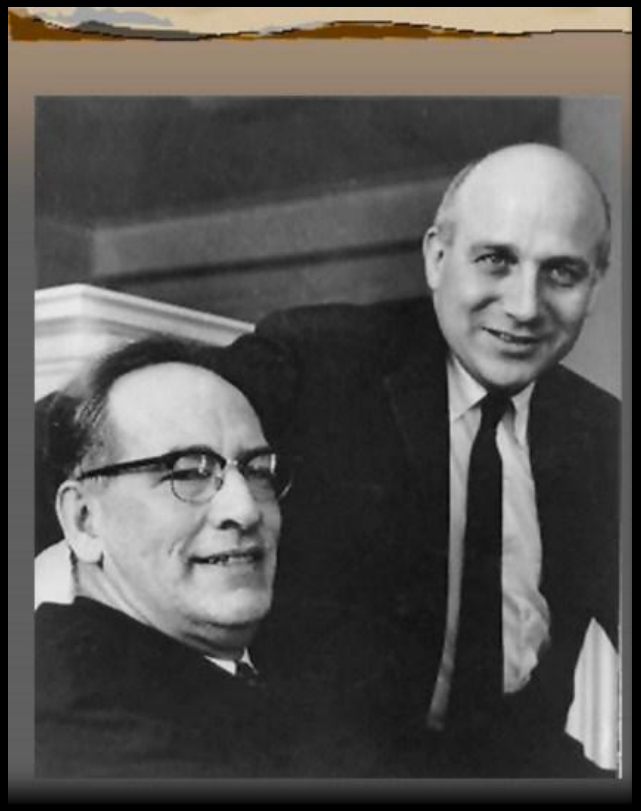
What was the world's first computer?

Who invented it?

Who is This?

- John (Janos) Von Neumann (12/03-2/57)
- Hungarian-American mathematician
- Contributions to many fields, including the idea of a “stored program” computer

Who is This?



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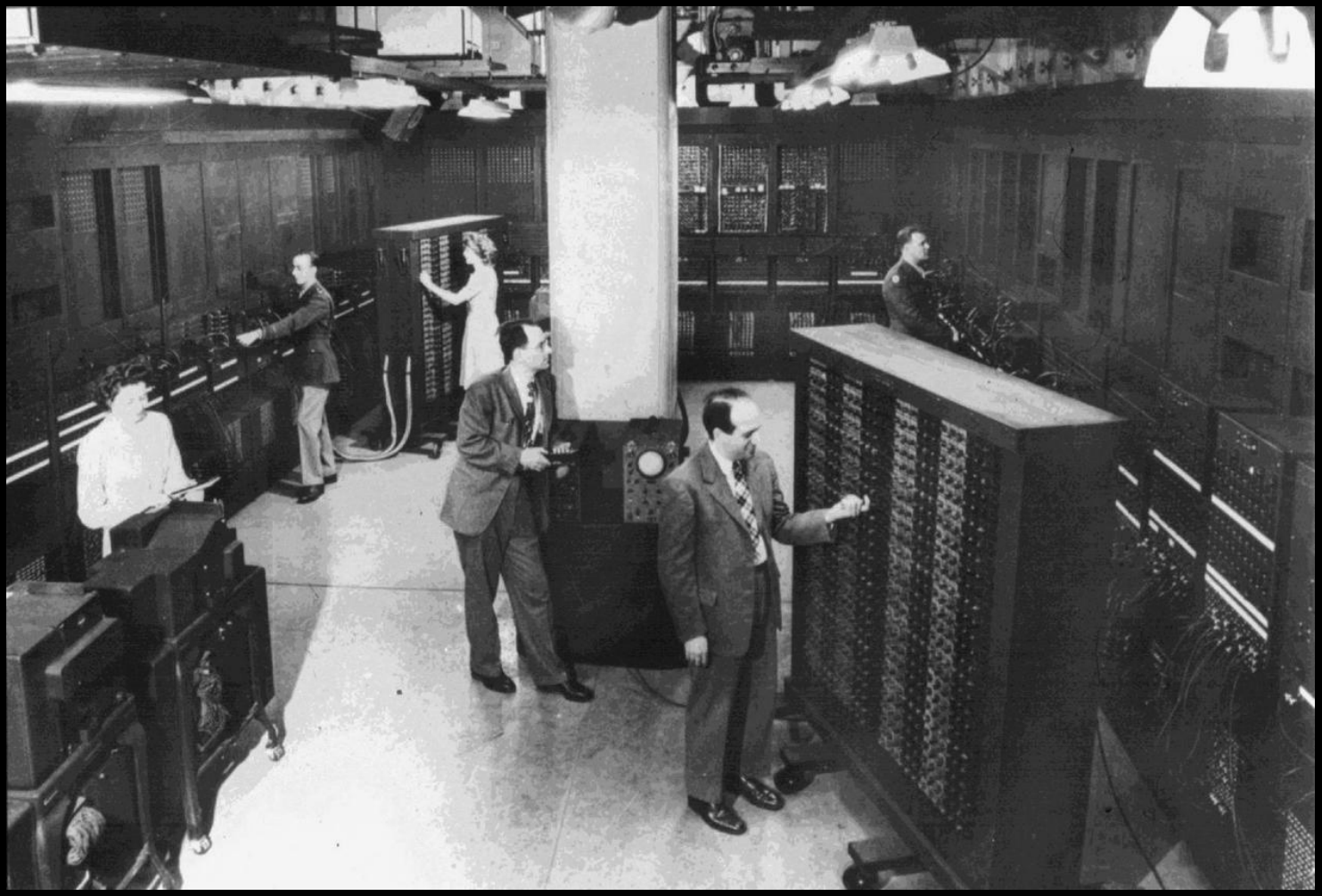
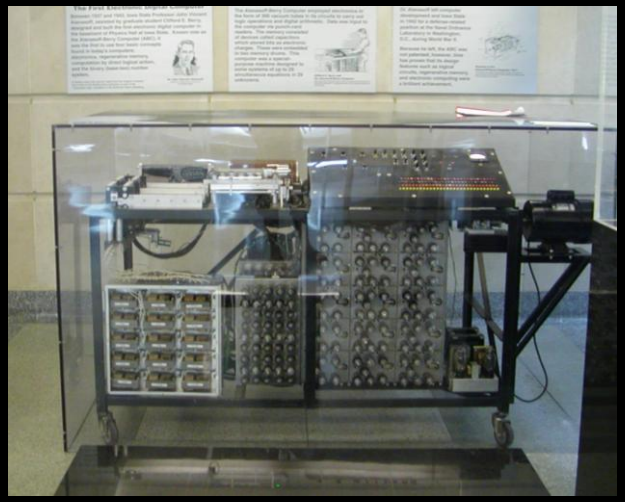


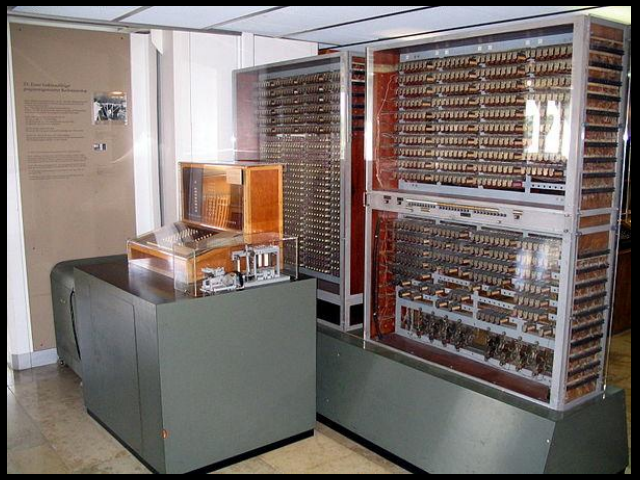
ENIAC, University of Pennsylvania, circa 1946

A Personal Connection

Were They First?



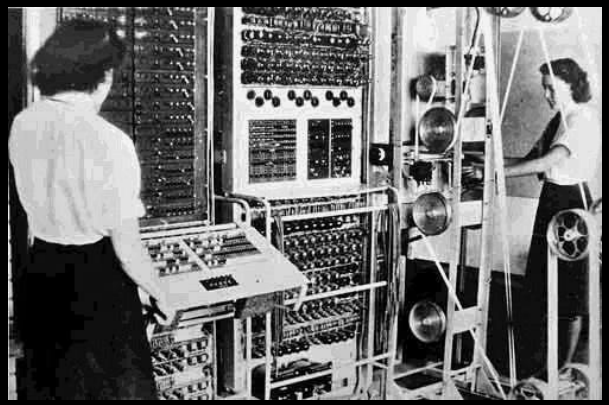
Atanasoff-Berry, 1942

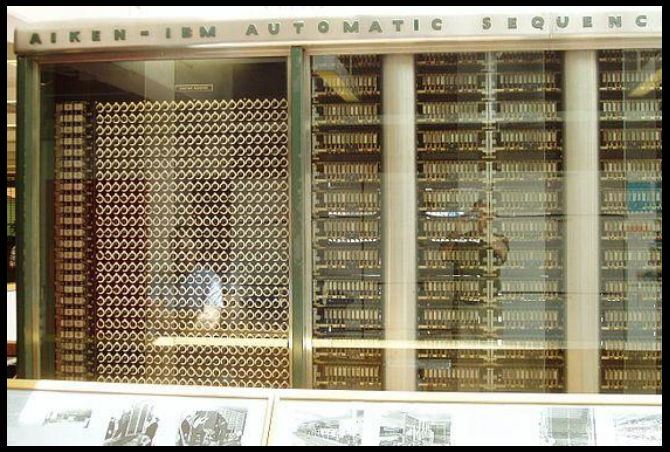


Zuse Z3, 1941

Harvard Mark 1, 1944

Colossus, 1943





IBM/Sperry Rand vs. Honeywell

April 1970
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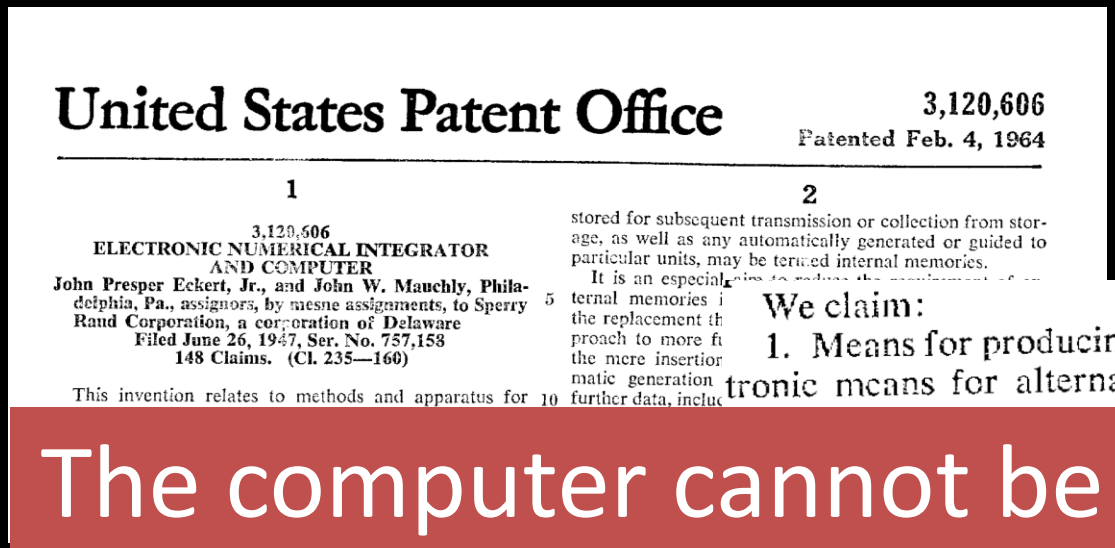
- 77 witnesses in trial
- 80 depositions outside trial
- 7000 exhibits



United States Patent Office

3,120,606
Patented Feb. 4, 1964

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ELECTRONIC NUMERICAL INTEGRATOR AND COMPUTER
John Presper Eckert, Jr., and John W. Mauchly, Philadelphia, Pa., assignors, by mesne assignments, to Sperry Rand Corporation, a corporation of Delaware
Filed June 26, 1947, Ser. No. 757,158
148 Claims. (Cl. 235—160)

This invention relates to methods and apparatus for

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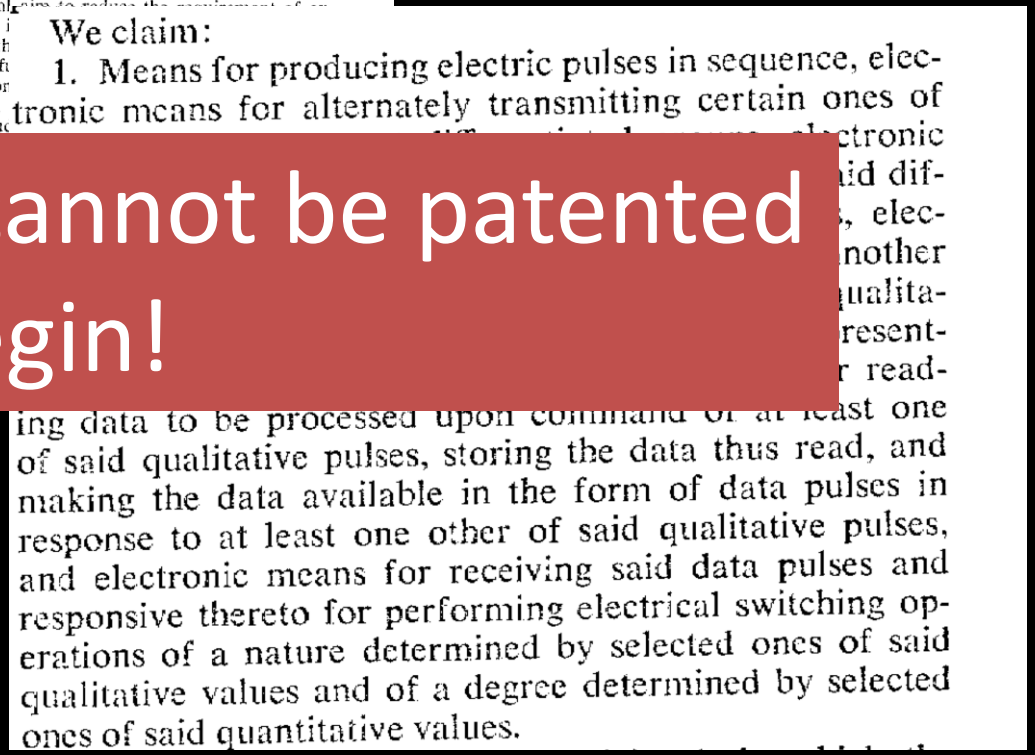

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The computer cannot be patented let the party begin!

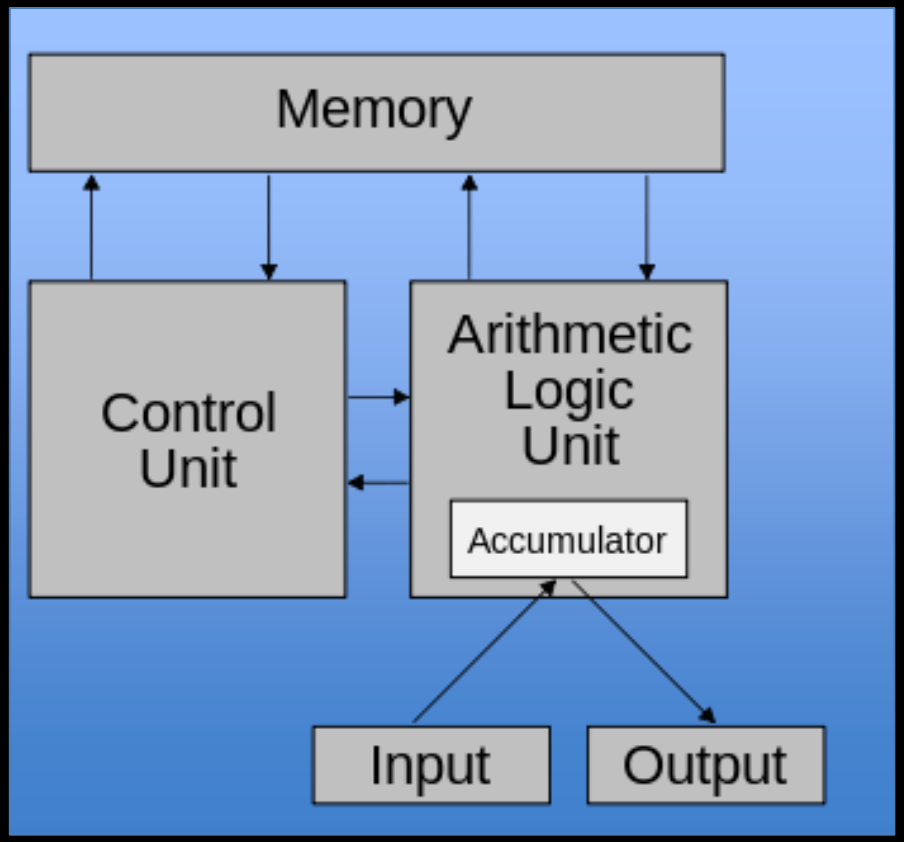
R[illegible]
There was infringement,
Mauchly and Eckert were the sole co-inventors of ENIAC

but:

The patents were invalid in part due to the EDVAC report of John Von Neumann

Going Forward: Three Key Ideas

- All electronic
- Discrete binary logic
- Stored programs
  (programs as data)



Out of the Lab and Into the World

"I think there is a world market for maybe five computers."

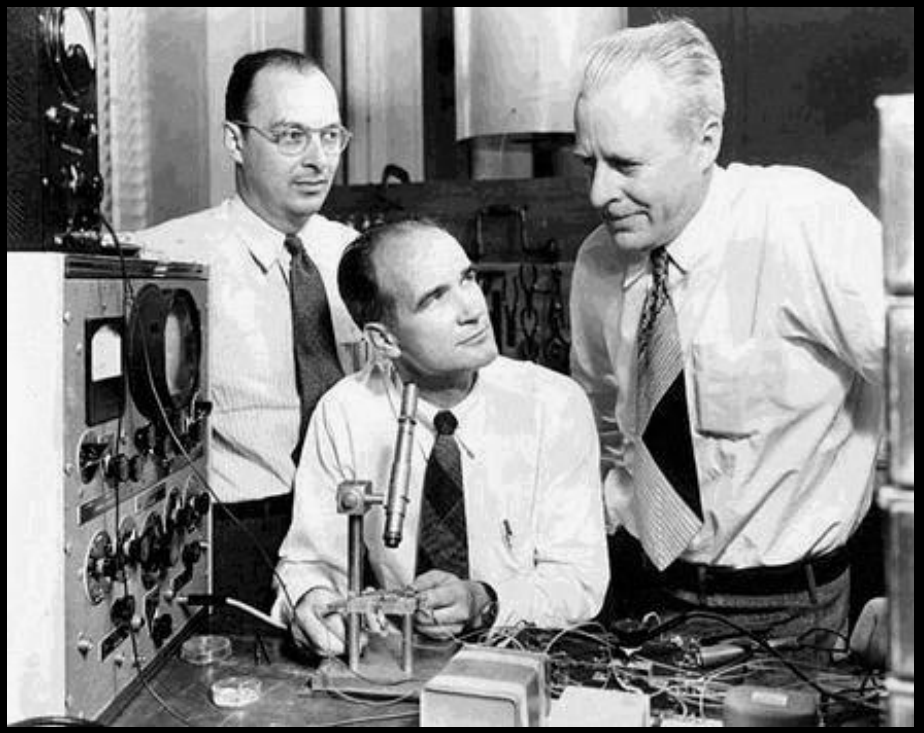
Thomas Watson, president of IBM, 1943

If You Make It, They Will Come

- Can you build something that can be delivered and installed?
- UNIVAC I (early 50's)
  - 5200 vacuum tubes
  - 29000 lbs
  - 124kW of power
  - 1000 words of memory
- IBM
  - IBM 704
  - IBM 650

The Next Wave

First invented, 1947
1956 Nobel prize in physics

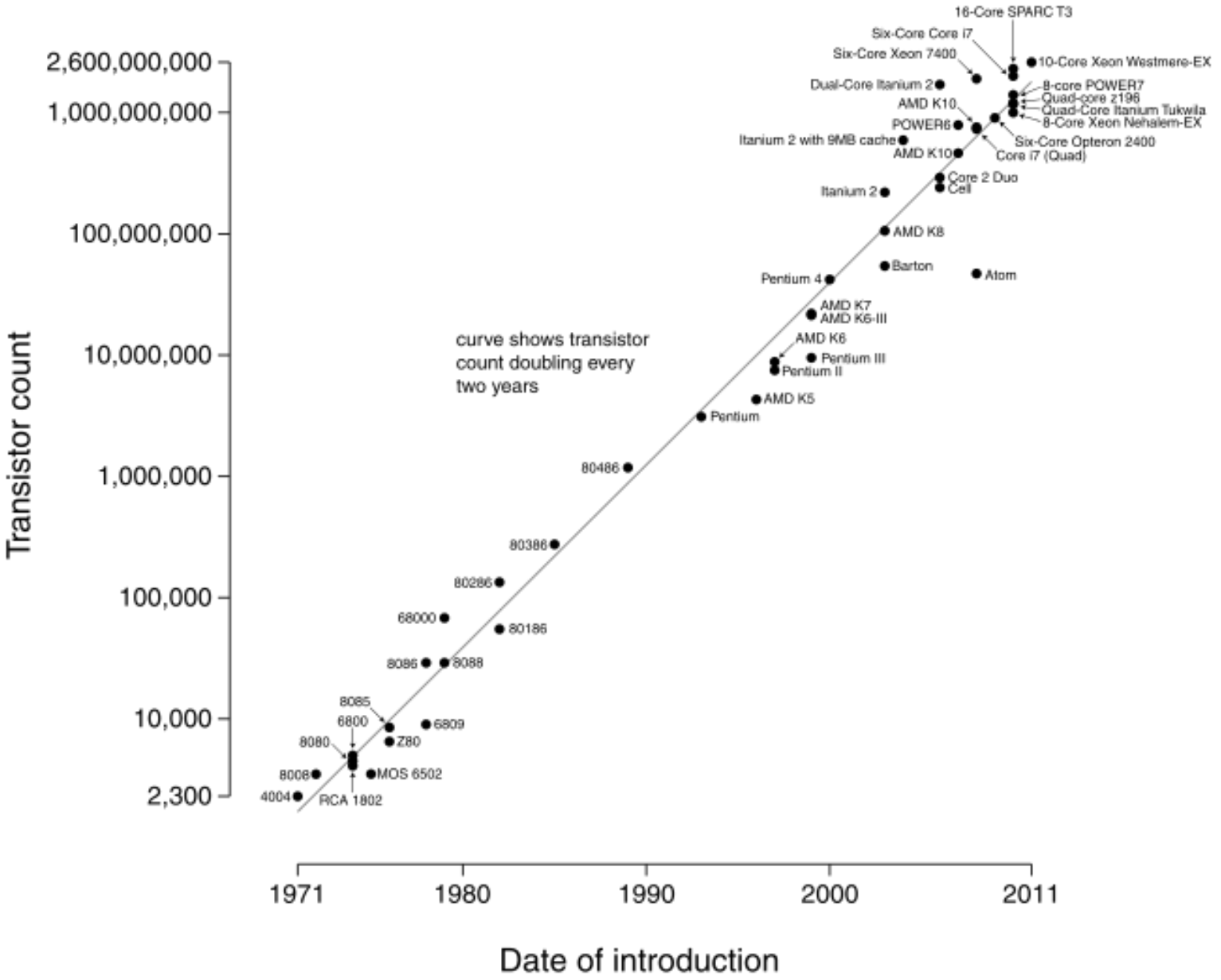


John Bardeen, William Shockley and Walter Brattain at Bell Labs, 1948 (from Wikipedia)

The Next Wave

- IBM 360
  - Common instruction set for entire family
  - Registers
  - Microcode
  - Interrupts
  - Floating point

- Even the most recent IBM systems are *still* **software compatible** with the original 360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Quad-Core Itanium Tukwila
POWER6
8-Core Xeon Nehalem-EX
Itanium 2 with 9MB cache
Six-Core Opteron 2400
AMD K10
Core i7 (Quad)
Core 2 Duo
Cell
Itanium 2
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4004
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curve shows transistor count doubling every two years
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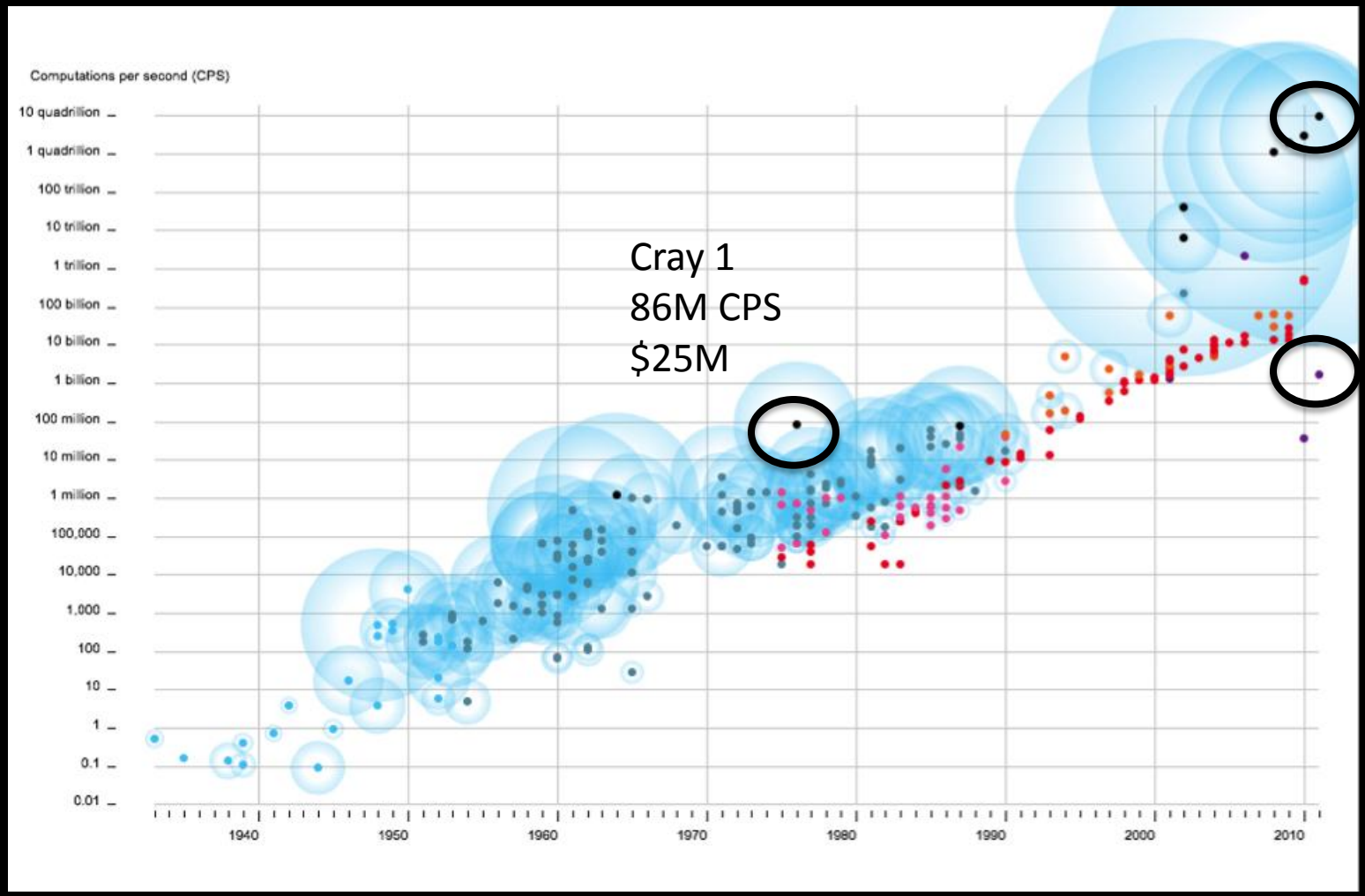

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The Growing Wave

- The 50-60's – mostly mainframes, businesses
- The 60-70's – the development of the minicomputer (Ics)

DEC PDP8, 1964
-> PDP 11 -> Vax

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Sun microsystems, late-80's

- The 60-70's – the development of the minicomputer based on ICs
- The 80's – personal workstations and PCs based on the microprocessor
  - Also the development of network files systems to support high performance personal workstations.

The PC Revolution

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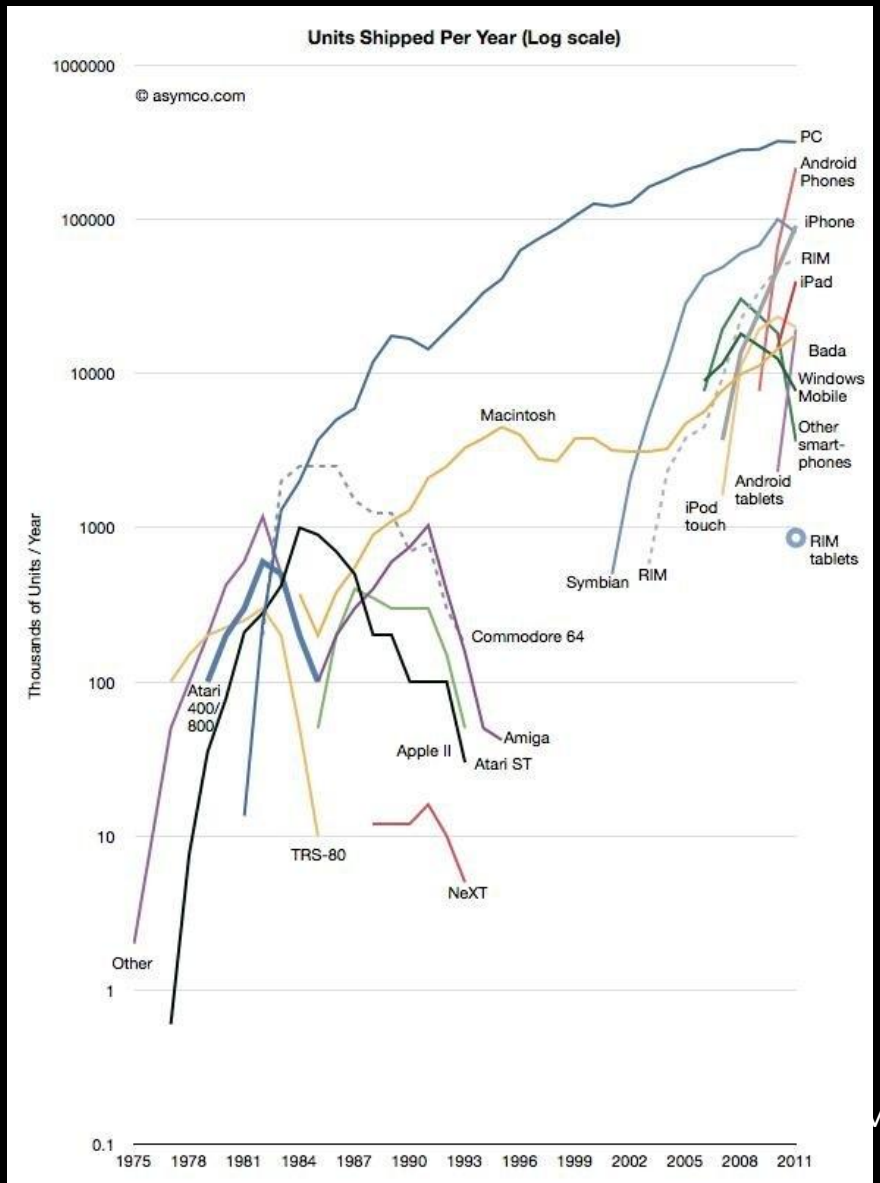

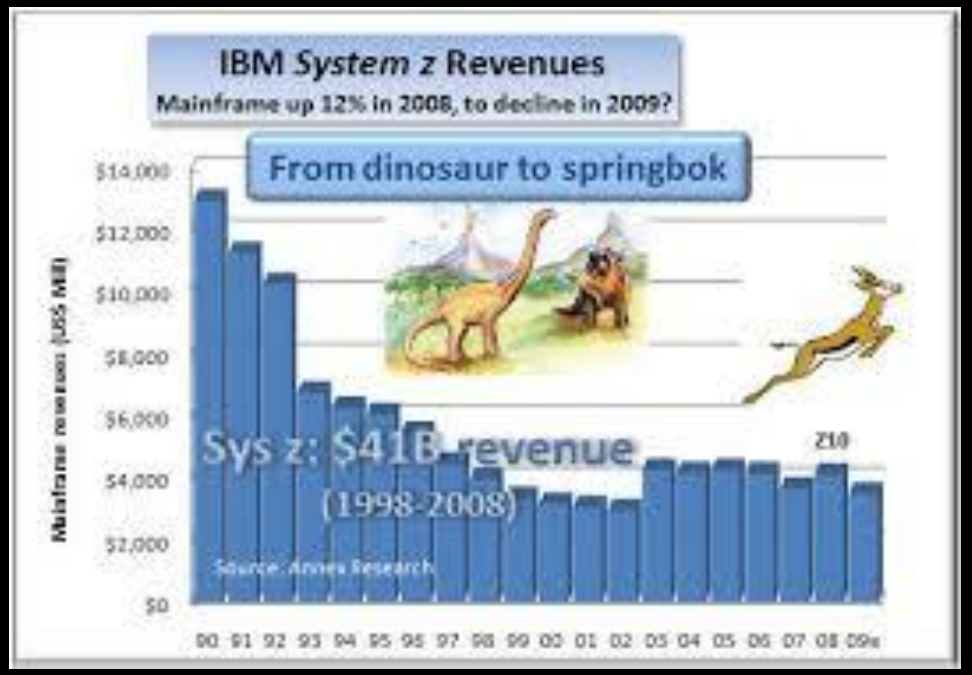

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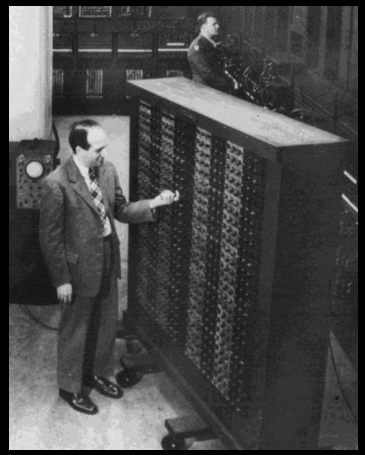
70 Years of Innovation: A Technology Throwdown!



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The Technology ThrowDown

- Memory
  - Eniac: 100 words
  - ARM 8-64 Gbytes
- Power consumed
  - Eniac: 200-ish Kw
  - ARM: watts
- Weight
  - Eniac: 30 tons
  - iPhone: ¼ lb
- Computing Power
  - Eniac: 18 cps
  - Arm: 1.6B cps

- Top Speed:
  - Mercedes: 161
  - Tesla: 150 (limited)
- MPG:
  - 14 MPG
  - 85 MPG (typical 30)
- Power:
  - Mercedes: 240/7.1 sec
  - Tesla: 302 hp/3.7 sec

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