

## Tutorials ①

① Explain about the computer generations and write down the technologies used.

\* Abacus which is founded by Chinese is considered as the first ever machine to perform a task. The Charles Babbage discovered the first Mechanical computer.

Generation Technologies used.

\* First generation - Vacuum tube based.  
(1946 - 1959)

\* Second generation - Transistor based.  
(1959 - 1965)

\* Third generation - Integrated circuit based.  
(1965 - 1971) (IC)

\* Fourth generation - VLSI microprocessor based.  
(1971 - 1980)

\* Fifth generation - VLSI microprocessor based.  
(1980 onwards) \* Artificial Intelligence based.

\* Vacuum tubes are electronic devices that control the flow of electrons in a vacuum. It is used as a switch, amplifier or display screen in many older models of televisions etc.

Generation	Technology Used.
First Generation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Vacuum Tube.</li> <li>* Machine Language</li> <li>* Main memory - Magnetic tapes and magnetic drums.</li> <li>* Input / output devices - Paper tapes and punched cards.</li> <li>* Speed and size - Very slow and very large</li> <li>* Ex - IBM 650, IBM 701, ENIAC, UNIVAC etc.</li> </ul>

Generations	Technology used.
Second Generation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Transistor.</li> <li>* Programming language :- Machine, assembly language.</li> <li>* Memory: Magnetic core and magnetic tape/disk.</li> <li>* Input/output: Magnetic tape, punched cards.</li> <li>* Power and size: smaller in size, low power consumption, generates less amount of heat.</li> <li>* Ex:- PDP-8, UNIVAC 1107, CDC 3600 etc.</li> </ul>
Third Generation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Integrated circuits (ICs)</li> <li>* High-level language</li> <li>* Large magnetic core, magnetic tape/disk.</li> <li>* Input/output: Magnetic tape, monitor, keyboard, pointer etc.</li> <li>* Ex:- IBM 360, etc.</li> </ul>
Fourth Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Very-large scale integration (VLSI) and microprocessor (VLSI has thousands of transistors on a single microchip.)</li> <li>* Semiconductor memory (such as RAM, ROM etc)</li> <li>* Input/output devices:- pointing devices, optical scanning, keyboard, monitor, printer etc.</li> <li>* IBM PC, STAR 1000, APPLE II, APPLE Macintosh etc</li> </ul>
Fifth Generation,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Based on AI, Uses large scale integration technology and parallel processing method.</li> <li>* Language <del>pro</del> - understand human/natural language.</li> <li>* portable and small in size.</li> <li>* Trackpad, touchscreen, pen, speech input, light scanner, pointer, keyboard, monitor, mouse etc.</li> <li>* Ex:-</li> <li>Desktops, laptops, tablets, smartphones etc.</li> </ul>