

Ada Lovelace's Computer Program

Apple Time

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20 Min Short Talk

15 Min Discussion / Breakout

10 Min Prizes!

- Links are in orange
- Full screen is recommended
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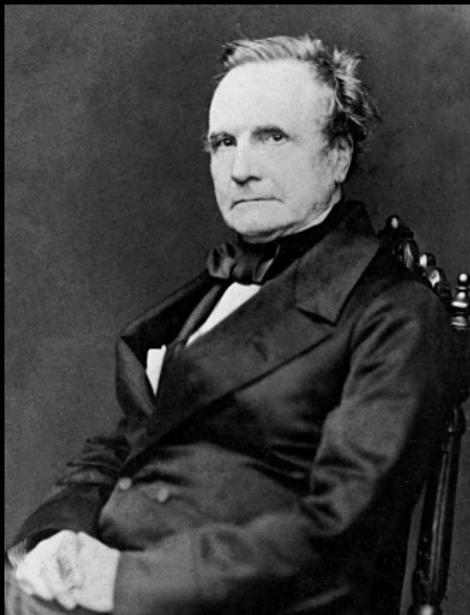
- HPC I/O Support Specialist in Livermore Computing since 2016
- Developer for SCR: Scalable Checkpoint Restart library
- LC Hotline tech
- Working remotely in RI
- Excited about emacs, org-mode, static websites, fish shell, cmake, documentation, crossfit, rowing, knitting

Mathematical Tables – 200 years ago

L	Logarithm.	L	Logarithm.
1	00000,00000,00000	3	47344,93917,02316
2	-0010,0,0997,66198	3	51640,60044,17038
3	0777,1,113,64,71966	3	01162,027007,6719
4	0020,0,0999,1,27297	3	15682,01734,0679
5	0698,9,7,0004,11101	3	15797,83596,61681
6	0297,8,1,113,0,38646	3	15910,64605,02610
7	0459,0,800,0,1416	4	0610,59991,1796
8	0000,0,0999,0,099194	4	06117,8346,6,1974
9	0000,0,0999,0,099194	4	06132,49190,39790
10	00000,00000,00000	4	06134,60045,577919
11	0441,9,081,1,19121	4	06135,11111,0019
12	00791,8,112,6,04765	4	06137,11111,77134
13	0413,9,4,772,1,0086	4	06138,7,1912,08157
14	0046,1,801,1,09734	4	06139,0,0737,02571
15	0176,0,111,9,0,15163	8	06143,1,1317,17559
16	0204,1,1991,1,0881	49	06147,0,0080,0281
17	01304,1,091,1,17837	50	06149,0,0004,33604
18	02176,0,0000,0,0000	51	06150,7076,02798
19	01795,0,0000,0,0000	51	06150,7076,02798
20	01010,0,0999,1,05798	51	06152,0,0000,0000
21	0222,1,0204,7,1192	51	06153,0,07759,83197
22	0343,4,1,628,0,3333	51	06154,2,65680,49444
23	0267,7,183,6,17159	6	06154,8,08017,00610
24	01801,1,114,1,1161	57	06157,8,7455,67249
25	01979,4,0008,0,7204	60	06162,4,7993,50294
26	04149,7,3147,9,70708	60	06170,8,2011,64216
27	0277,1,112,6,1,0599	60	06170,8,21150,3306
28	0404,1,0999,1,05798	61	06173,4,9815,02077
29	0462,9,07997,3,9813	61	06173,4,9815,02077
30	0777,1,112,6,1,0599	62	06175,2,0000,0000
31	0777,1,112,6,1,0599	62	06176,0,0000,0000
32	04913,0,659,1,1417	62	06176,7,2007,4578
33	0401,1,0997,8,19021	65	06179,1,12356,64286
34	01187,1,919,0,77789	65	06179,1,1915,54187
35	01147,9,517,0,4316	67	06180,7,4802,90083
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- Calculated values of logarithmic and trigonometric functions
- Built by hand by human "computers"
- Used to do rapid multiplication, division, and exponentiation

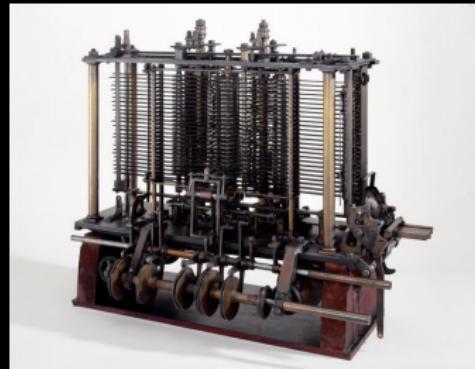
Charles Babbage and the Difference Engine



- 1791–1871
- Idea for a *Difference Engine* to mechanically do the work of human computers
 - Began development in 1822
 - would have composed 25,000 parts, weighed 15 tons, stood 8 feet tall

Analytical Engine

- Design began in 1833, described in 1837
- General purpose, i.e., Turing Complete
- Arithmetic logic unit, control flow (conditional branching and loops), memory, printer, and bell



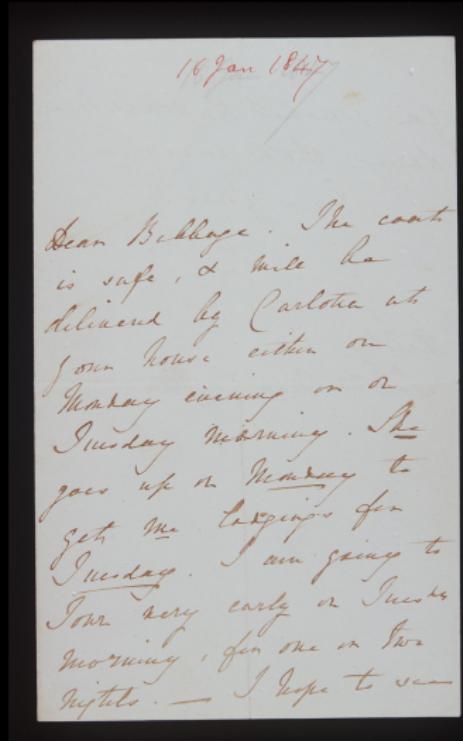
Augusta Ada King (née Byron), Countess of Lovelace

- Dec. 10, 1815–Nov. 27, 1852
- Child of poet Lord Byron and Lady Byron
- 1833: Met Charles Babbage at a party
- 1835: Married William King who became Earl of Lovelace



Babbage and Young Lady Byron

- 1833: Met at a party
(Babbage age 41, Ada
age 17)
- Ada had extensive
mathematics education to
"ward off wild, romantic
sensibility" of her father
- They were in the same
social circle and wrote
each other frequently



Sketch of the Analytical Engine

SCIENTIFIC MEMOIRS,

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AND LEARNED SOCIETIES,

AND FROM

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ARTICLE XXIX.

*Sketch of the Analytical Engine invented by Charles Babbage
Esq. By L. F. MENABREA, of Turin, Officer of the Military Engineers.*

[From the *Bibliothèque Universelle de Genève*, No. 82, October 1842.]

[BEFORE submitting to our readers the translation of M. Menabrea's memoir 'On the Mathematical Principles of the ANALYTICAL ENGINE' invented by Mr. Babbage, we shall present to them a list of the printed papers connected with the subject, and also of those relating to the Difference Engine by which it was preceded.

For information on Mr. Babbage's "Difference Engine," which is but slightly alluded to by M. Menabrea, we refer the reader to the following sources:—

1. Letter to Sir Humphry Davy, Bart., P.R.S., on the Application of Machinery to Calculate and Print Mathematical Tables. By Charles Babbage, Esq., F.R.S. London, July 1822. Reprinted, with a Report of the Council of the Royal Society, by order of the House of Commons, May 1823.

2. On the Application of Machinery to the Calculation of Astronomical and Mathematical Tables. By Charles Babbage, Esq.—Memoirs of the Astronomical Society, vol. i. part 2. London, 1822.

3. Address to the Astronomical Society by Henry Thomas Colebrooke, Esq., F.R.S., President, on presenting the first Gold Medal of the Society to Charles Babbage, Esq., for the Invention of the Calculating Engine.—Memoirs of the Astronomical Society, London, 1822.

4. On the Determination of the General Term of a New Class of Infinite Series. By Charles Babbage, Esq.—Transactions of the Cambridge Philosophical Society.

5. On Mr. Babbage's New Machine for Calculating and Printing Mathematical Tables.—Letter from Francis Baily, Esq., F.R.S., to M. Schumacher. No. 46, Astronomische Nachrichten. Reprinted in the Philosophical Magazine, May 1824.

6. On a Method of expressing by Signs the Action of Ma-

Bernoulli Numbers

$$\sum n = \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{2}n$$

$$\sum n^2 = \frac{1}{3}n^3 + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{6}n$$

$$\sum n^3 = \frac{1}{4}n^4 + \frac{1}{2}n^3 + \frac{1}{4}n^2$$

$$\sum n^m = \frac{1}{m+1} (B_0 n^{m+1} \pm \binom{m+1}{1} B_1 n^m + \binom{m+1}{2} B_2 n^{m-1} + \dots)$$

$$B_7 = -1(A_0 + B_1 A_1 + B_3 A_3 + B_5 A_5)$$

$$A_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2n+1}$$

$$A_1 = \frac{2n}{2}$$

$$A_3 = \frac{2n(2n-1)(2n-2)}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}$$

$$A_5 = \frac{2n(2n-1)(2n-2)(2n-3)(2n-4)}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6}$$

Notes from the Translator

Note A Promise of a machine that can perform arbitrary mathematical operations

Note G *Lady Lovelace's Objection* – despite it's power, the machine does not "think"

Note D "Diagram of development" for calculating

$$B_7 = -1(A_0 + B_1 A_1 + B_3 A_3 + B_5 A_5)$$

Diagram for the computation by the Engine of the Numbers of Bernoulli. See Note G. (page 722 *et seq.*)

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						IV ₁	IV ₂	IV ₃	0V ₄	0V ₅	0V ₆	0V ₇	0V ₈	0V ₉	0V ₁₀	0V ₁₁	IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅
						1	2	n	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	
1	×	IV ₂ × IV ₃	IV ₄ , IV ₅ , IV ₆	$\begin{cases} IV_2 = IV_3 \\ IV_3 = IV_2 \end{cases}$	$= 2n$...	2	n	2n	2n	2n									
2	-	IV ₄ - IV ₁	IV ₄	$\begin{cases} IV_4 = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_4 \end{cases}$	$= 2n - 1$	1	2n - 1											
3	+	IV ₅ + IV ₁	IV ₅	$\begin{cases} IV_5 = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_5 \end{cases}$	$= 2n + 1$	1	2n + 1										
4	-	IV ₆ - 2IV ₁	IV ₁₁	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = 2IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= 2n - 1$	0	0	$\frac{2n - 1}{2n + 1}$				
5	-	IV ₁₁ - 2IV ₁	IV ₁₁	$\begin{cases} IV_{11} = 2IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_{11} \end{cases}$	$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2n - 1$	2	$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{2n + 1}$				
6	-	2IV ₁₃ - 2IV ₁₀	IV ₁₃	$\begin{cases} IV_{13} = IV_{10} \\ IV_{10} = IV_{13} \end{cases}$	$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2n + 1 = A_0$	0		$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{2n + 1} = A_0$			
7	-	IV ₃ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	$\begin{cases} IV_3 = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_3 \end{cases}$	$= n - 1 (= 3)$	1	...	n	n - 1				
8	+	IV ₂ + 0V ₂	IV ₇	$\begin{cases} IV_2 = IV_3 \\ 0V_2 = 0V_2 \end{cases}$	$= 2 + 0 = 2$...	2	2							
9	+	IV ₆ + IV ₇	IV ₁₁	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = IV_7 \\ IV_7 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= \frac{2n}{2} = A_1$	2n	2	$\frac{2n}{2} = A_1$					
10	×	IV ₂₃ × IV ₁₁	IV ₁₂	$\begin{cases} IV_{23} = IV_{11} \\ IV_{11} = IV_{23} \end{cases}$	$= B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} = B_1 A_1$	$\frac{2n}{2} = A_1$	B ₁ · $\frac{2n}{2} = B_1 A_1$			B ₁	
11	+	IV ₁₂ + IV ₁₃	IV ₁₃	$\begin{cases} IV_{12} = IV_{13} \\ IV_{13} = IV_{12} \end{cases}$	$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2n - 1 + B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2}$	0	$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{2n + 1} + B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} \right\}$			
12	-	IV ₁₀ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	$\begin{cases} IV_{10} = IV_{13} \\ IV_1 = IV_{10} \end{cases}$	$= n - 2 (= 2)$	1	n - 2					
13	-	IV ₆ - IV ₁	IV ₆	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= 2n - 1$	1	2n - 1									
14	+	IV ₁ + IV ₂	IV ₇	$\begin{cases} IV_1 = IV_2 \\ IV_2 = IV_1 \end{cases}$	$= 2 + 1 = 3$	1	3						
15	-	IV ₆ - 2IV ₁	IV ₈	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = 2IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= \frac{2n - 1}{3}$	2n - 1	3	2n - 1	3	3							
16	×	IV ₈ × 2IV ₁₁	IV ₁₁	$\begin{cases} IV_8 = IV_{11} \\ IV_{11} = IV_8 \end{cases}$	$= \frac{2n}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{3}$	0	$\frac{2n \cdot 2n - 1}{2 \cdot 3}$							
17	-	IV ₆ - IV ₁	IV ₆	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= 2n - 2$	1	2n - 2										
18	+	IV ₁ + 2IV ₂	IV ₇	$\begin{cases} IV_1 = IV_2 \\ IV_2 = IV_1 \end{cases}$	$= 3 + 1 = 4$	1	4						
19	-	IV ₆ - 2IV ₁	IV ₉	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = 2IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= \frac{2n - 2}{4}$	2n - 2	4	...	$\frac{2n - 2}{4}$...	$\left\{ \frac{2n - 2}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{3} \cdot \frac{2n - 2}{3} \right\}$						
20	+	IV ₆ - 2IV ₁	IV ₉	$\begin{cases} IV_6 = 2IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_6 \end{cases}$	$= \frac{2n - 2}{3} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{4} \cdot \frac{2n - 2}{4} = A_2$	0							
21	×	IV ₂₃ × 2IV ₁₂	IV ₁₂	$\begin{cases} IV_{23} = 2IV_{12} \\ IV_{12} = IV_{23} \end{cases}$	$= B_3 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} \cdot \frac{2n - 1}{3} \cdot \frac{2n - 2}{3} = B_2 A_2$	0		B ₂ A ₂		B ₂		
22	+	IV ₁₂ + 2IV ₁₃	IV ₁₃	$\begin{cases} IV_{12} = 2IV_{13} \\ IV_{13} = IV_{12} \end{cases}$	$= A_0 + B_1 A_1 + B_2 A_2$	0	$\left\{ A_2 + B_1 A_1 + B_2 A_2 \right\}$				
23	-	2IV ₁₀ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	$\begin{cases} IV_{10} = IV_1 \\ IV_1 = IV_{10} \end{cases}$	$= n - 3 (= 1)$	1	n - 3					

Here follows a repetition of Operations thirteen to twenty-three.

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1	×	IV ₂ × IV ₃	IV ₄ , IV ₅ , IV ₆	{IV ₂ = IV ₃ , IV ₃ = IV ₂ }	= 2n	...	2	n	2n	2n	2n						IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
2	-	IV ₄ - IV ₁	IV ₄	{IV ₄ = IV ₁ }	= 2n - 1	1	2n - 1								IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
3	+	IV ₅ + IV ₁	IV ₅	{IV ₅ = IV ₁ }	= 2n + 1	1	2n + 1							IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
4	+	IV ₅ + 2IV ₁	IV ₁₁	{IV ₅ = IV ₁ , IV ₁ = IV ₅ }	$\frac{2n-1}{2}$	0	0	IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
5	+	IV ₁₂ - 2IV ₁	IV ₁₁	{IV ₁₂ = IV ₁₁ , IV ₁₁ = IV ₁₂ }	$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2}$	2	IV ₁₂	0V ₁₃	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
6	-	2IV ₁₃ - 2IV ₁	IV ₁₂	{IV ₁₃ = IV ₁₂ , IV ₁₂ = IV ₁₃ }	$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2} = A_0$	0	...	$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2} = A_0$	IV ₁₄	IV ₁₅	IV ₁₆
7	-	IV ₃ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	{IV ₃ = IV ₁ }	= n - 1 (= 3)	1	...	n	n - 1				
8	+	IV ₂ + 0V ₇	IV ₇	{IV ₂ = IV ₇ }	= 2 + 0 = 2	...	2	2								
9	+	IV ₆ + IV ₇	IV ₁₁	{IV ₆ = IV ₇ , IV ₇ = IV ₁₁ }	$\frac{2n}{2} = A_1$	2n	2	$\frac{2n}{2} = A_1$				
10	×	IV ₂₃ × IV ₁₁	IV ₁₂	{IV ₂₃ = IV ₁₁ , IV ₁₁ = IV ₂₃ }	$B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} = B_1 A_1$	$\frac{2n}{2} = A_1$					
11	+	IV ₁₂ + IV ₁₃	IV ₁₃	{IV ₁₂ = IV ₁₃ }	$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2} + B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2}$	0	$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2} + B_1 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} \right\}$			
12	-	IV ₁₀ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	{IV ₁₀ = IV ₁ }	= n - 2 (= 2)	1	n - 2					
13	-	IV ₆ - IV ₁	IV ₆	{IV ₆ = IV ₁ }	= 2n - 1	1	2n - 1											
14	+	IV ₁ + IV ₇	IV ₇	{IV ₁ = IV ₇ }	= 2 + 1 = 3	1	3					
15	+	2IV ₆ + 2IV ₇	IV ₈	{IV ₆ = IV ₇ , IV ₇ = IV ₈ }	$\frac{2n-1}{3}$	2n - 1	3	2n - 1	3					
16	×	IV ₉ × 3IV ₁₁	IV ₁₁	{IV ₉ = IV ₁₁ , IV ₁₁ = IV ₉ }	$\frac{2n}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{3}$	0	$\frac{2n}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{3}$					
17	-	IV ₆ - IV ₁	IV ₆	{IV ₆ = IV ₁ }	= 2n - 2	1	2n - 2											
18	+	IV ₁ + 2IV ₇	IV ₇	{IV ₁ = IV ₇ }	= 3 + 1 = 4	1	4						
19	+	IV ₆ + 2IV ₇	IV ₉	{IV ₆ = IV ₇ , IV ₇ = IV ₉ }	$\frac{2n-2}{4}$	2n - 2	4	...	2n - 2	4	...	$\left\{ \frac{2n-2}{4}, \frac{2n-1}{3}, \frac{2n-2}{3} \right\}$						
20	+	IV ₆ + 2IV ₉	IV ₉	{IV ₆ = IV ₉ }	$\frac{2n}{2}, \frac{2n-1}{3}, \frac{2n-2}{4} = A_3$	2n - 2	4	...	2n - 2	4	...	$\frac{2n}{2}, \frac{2n-1}{3}, \frac{2n-2}{4} = A_3$						
21	×	IV ₁₂ × 5IV ₁₁	IV ₁₂	{IV ₁₂ = IV ₁₁ , IV ₁₁ = IV ₁₂ }	$B_3 \cdot \frac{2n}{2} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{3} \cdot \frac{2n-2}{4} = B_3 A_3$	0		B ₃ A ₃				
22	+	2IV ₁₂ + 2IV ₁₃	IV ₁₃	{IV ₁₂ = IV ₁₃ }	$A_0 + B_1 A_3 + B_3 A_2$	0	$\{A_0 + B_1 A_3 + B_3 A_2\}$				
23	-	2IV ₁₀ - IV ₁	IV ₁₀	{IV ₁₀ = IV ₁ }	= n - 3 (= 1)	1	n - 3					

Here follows a repetition of Operations thirteen to twenty-three.

Program Snippet (GitHub Gist)

```
// ----- A0 -----
/* 01 */ v4 = v5 = v6 = v2 * v3;           // 2n
/* 02 */ v4 = v4 - v1;                     // 2n - 1
/* 03 */ v5 = v5 + v1;                     // 2n + 1

// In Lovelace's diagram, the below appears as v5 / v4, which is incorrect.
/* 04 */ v11 = v4 / v5;                   // (2n - 1) / (2n + 1)

/* 05 */ v11 = v11 / v2;                 // (1 / 2) * ((2n - 1) / (2n + 1))
/* 06 */ v13 = v13 - v11;                 // -(1 / 2) * ((2n - 1) / (2n + 1))
/* 07 */ v10 = v3 - v1;                  // (n - 1), set counter?

// On the first loop this calculates B3A3 and adds it on to v13.
// On the second loop this calculates B5A5 and adds it on.
while (v10 > 0)
{
    // ----- B3A3, B5A5 -----
    while (v6 > 2 * v3 - (2 * (v3 - v10) - 2))          // First Loop:
    {
        /* 13 */ v6 = v6 - v1;                         // 2n - 1
        /* 14 */ v7 = v1 + v7;                         // 2 + 1
        /* 15 */ v8 = v6 / v7;                         // (2n - 1) / 3
        /* 16 */ v11 = v8 * v11;                        // (2n / 2) * ((2n - 1) / 3)
    }

    if (v10 == 2) {
        /* 21 */ v12 = v22 * v11;                    // B3 * A3
    } else {
        /* 21 */ v12 = v23 * v11;                    // B5 * A5
    }
}

// B3A3 = B3 + 62n / 3 + 6(2n - 1) / 2 + 6(2n - 2) / 4
```

Resources

- *What Did Ada Lovelace's Program Actually Do?*
TwoBitHistory.org
- Sketch of the Analytical Engine
- Translation of Note D to C. (gist)
- Wikipedia

Breakout Discussions

- Introduce yourself to your group; what are you working on this summer?
- What is the most difficult bug you've encountered?
- What is the best thing you've attended so far this summer?
And/or what are you most looking forward to?

Prizes!

A prize will be awarded to anyone who shares their bug story at the end of the hour

Tools

Created with Emacs, Org Mode, and L^AT_EX/Beamer.
View the [source](#).