



# Introduction to Information Technology

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# A. Introduction to Computer

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## Chapter 1: Outline

- ✓ Introduction to computers
- ✓ Characteristics of computer
- ✓ History
- ✓ Generation
- ✓ Classification
- ✓ Computer System
- ✓ I/O Process and concept
- ✓ Computer Hardware Components
- ✓ Application

# 1.1 Introduction

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- Today's world is information rich word, and it has become necessary for everyone to know about computers
- Computers are an integral part of our lives; our lives are directly or indirectly affected by the computers
- Application Area ??
- Computer is derived from the word "Compute"
- A computer is an electronic data processing device, which accepts and stores data inputs, processes the data input, and generated the out put in required format

# 1.1 Cont..

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C - Commonly  
O - Operating  
M - Machine  
P - Particularly  
U - Used For  
T - Technical  
E - Educational  
R - Research

# 1.2 Digital And Analog Computers

- Digital:
  - distinct values to represent the data internally
  - 0's and 1's
- Analog:
  - represents data as variable across a continuous range of values
  - earliest computers
  - used for measuring of parameters that vary continuously in real time, such as temperature, pressure and voltage.



# 1.3 Characteristics Of Computer

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● **Speed, accuracy, diligence, storage capability** and **versatility** are some of the key characteristics of a computer.

1. *Speed*

2. *Accuracy*

3. *Diligence*

4. *Storage Capability*: Primary and secondary storage devices

5. *Versatility*

6. *Reliability*

7. *Automation*

8. *Reduction in paper work and Cost*

**Limitations:**

# 1.3 Characteristics Of Computer Cont...

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## Disadvantages

1. *No I. Q*
2. *Dependency*
3. *Environment*
4. *No Feeling*

# 1.4 History Of Comp

**Father of computer ?? Who?**

**Charles Babbage**

**British Mathematics professor**

**Born in England in 1792 as a son of a rich bank**

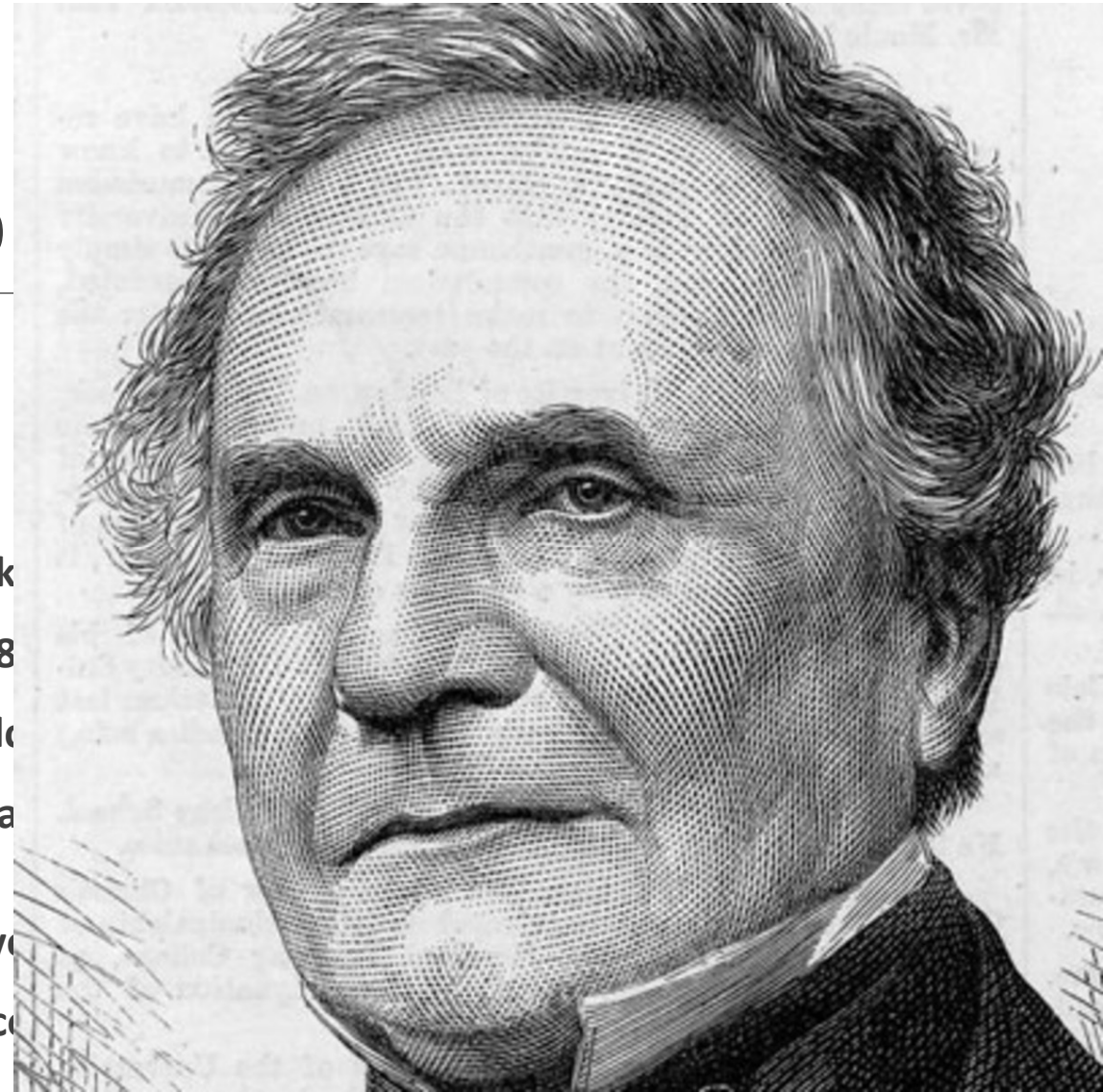
**He began to design a “difference engine” in 1822**

**It was very complicated machine for doing calc**

**He began design of another machine “ the analytical engine” for different types of calculations.**

**His machine was too ahead of the time of dev**

**Lack of better technology Babbage could not complete his works before he had completed his works**





## 1.4 History of Computer cont..

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### 1. Early Computing Device/ Calculating Machine: **ABACUS**

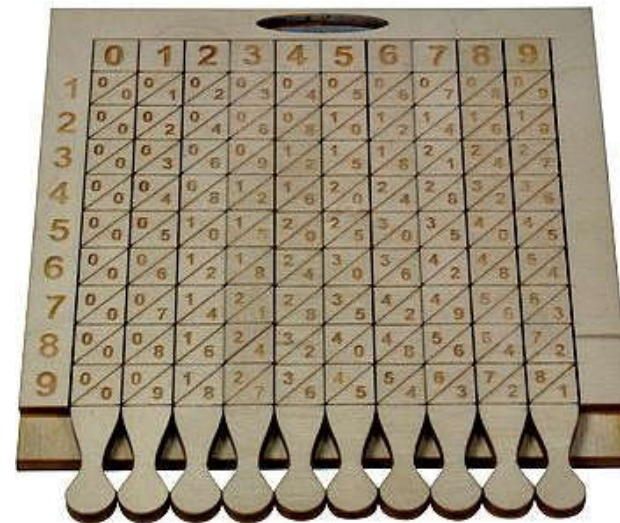
About 4,000 years ago, Chinese invented ABACUS. It is a calculating tool.



### 2. **Napiers Bones**

English mathematician John Napier.

Used for multiplication



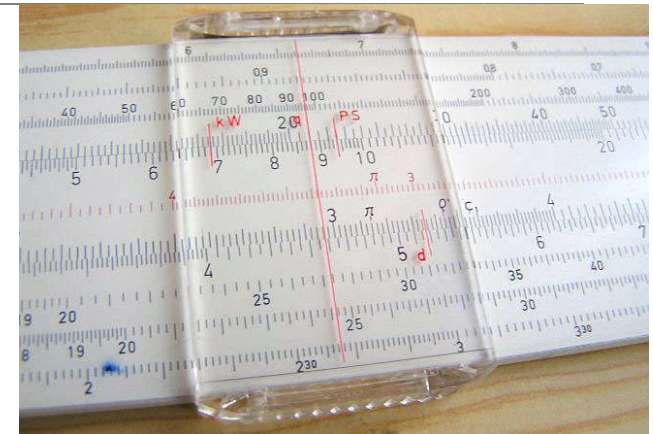
# 1.4 History of Computer cont..

## 3. Slide Rule

English Mathematician Edmund Gunter

Can perform Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Widely used in Europe in 16<sup>th</sup> Century



## 4. Pascal's Calculator

In 1642, Blaise Pascal, a French mathematician

Also known as pascaline

Consist of moveable wheels, gears and cylinders

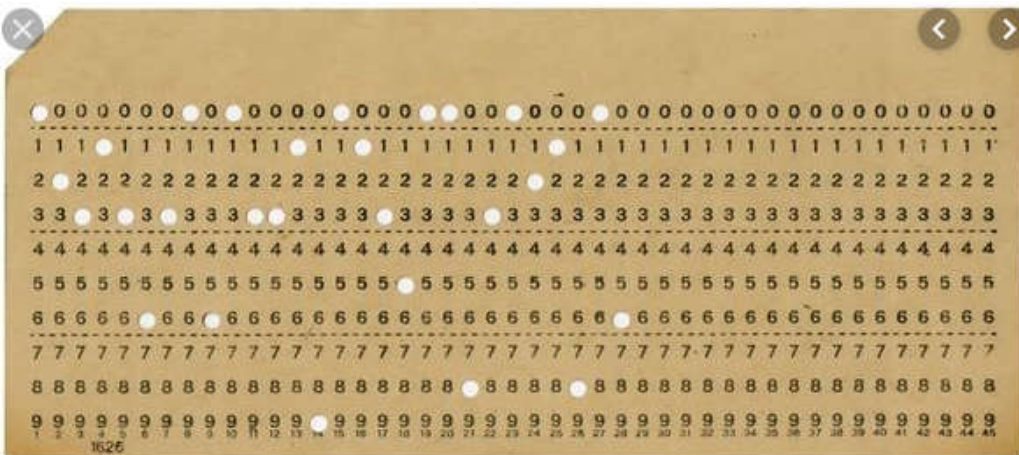
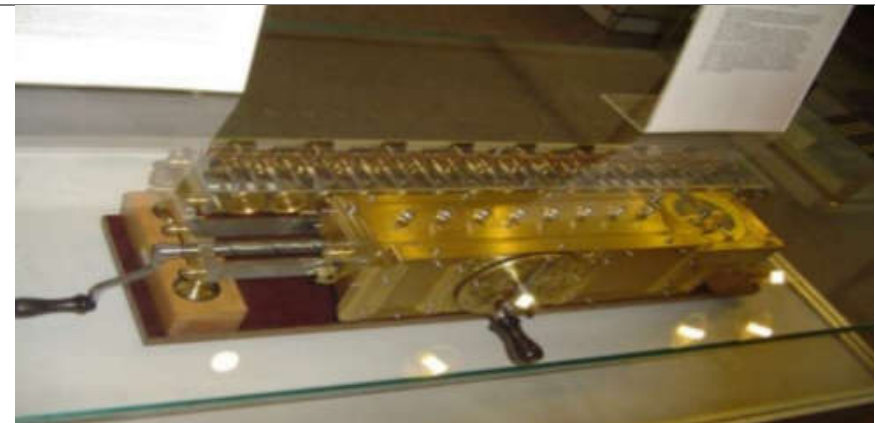
Used to perform simple arithmetic calculations (Addition and Subtraction)



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## 5. Leibniz's Calculator

German philosopher and mathematician  
Gottfried Leibniz built it around 1673.



## 6. Punch Cards

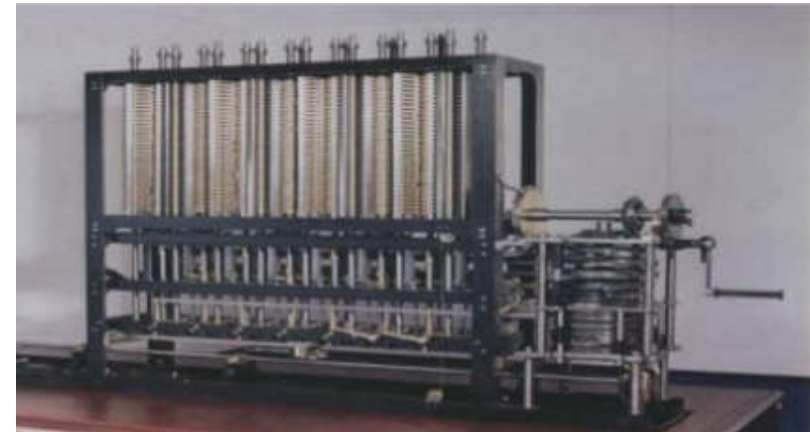
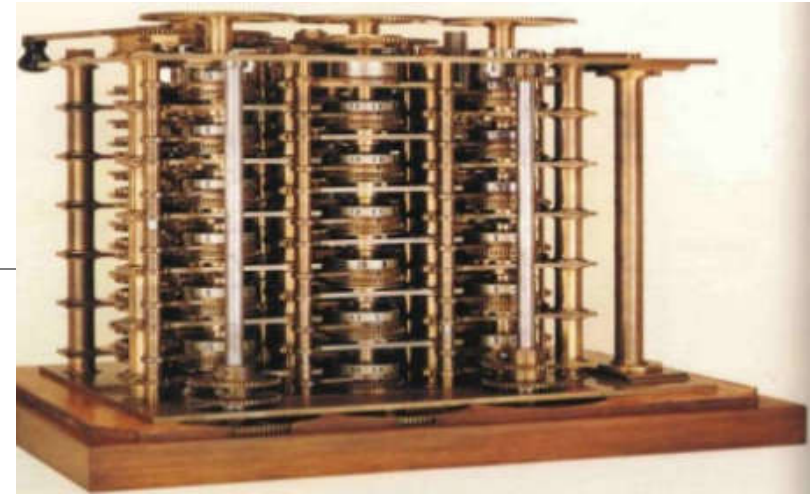
was developed by Jacquard in 1801.  
Work in Binary 0's and 1's.  
Basics of modern computer

## 1.4 History of Computer cont..

### 7. Charles Babbage “Difference Engine” & “Analytical Engine”

In 1822 Babbage invented Difference Engine, powered by steam. Large as locomotive. Machine had the capacity to perform calculation & print the results

In 1833 Babbage 1<sup>st</sup> General purpose digital computer, which he called Analytical Engine, steam powered engine.

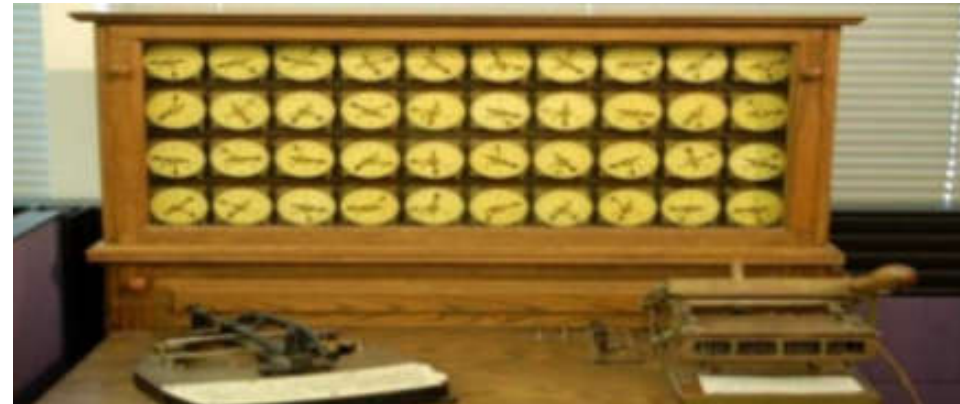


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## 8. Hollerith's Tabulating Machine

- ✓ In 1889, Herman Hollerith an American invented Tabulating machine,
- ✓ This machine was a punch card reader & had capacity to store & process data.
- ✓ This machine was brought to business world by ..... Company





# Next Class Plan

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1. Generations of computer
2. Classification of Computer
3. The computer system
4. Application of Computer

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