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## **Reading: Al Pioneers**

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The list of notable contributors to the early development of Artificial Intelligence as we know it now is much larger than this one—but it's a start. You will find these people (and more) mentioned in articles, references, programs, and other lists, so getting familiar with their works and accomplishments will help bring context to the growth of the field. Names with an asterisk were participants in the 1956 Dartmouth Summer Research Project on Artificial Intelligence.



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#### **Alan Turing**

- Known as the "father of theoretical computer
- science and artificial intelligence."
- Developed the Turing Test to test a machine's ability to appear human.

### **Arthur Samuel** Stanford University

- Popularized the term "machine learning."
- Created the world's first successful demonstration of AI through a checkers game playing program.



1915 - 1994



### Jerome Wiesner

- Selected as the chairman of JFK's Science Advisory Committee
- Interviewed for The Thinking Machine (1961) MIT Documentary about artificial intelligence.



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