

Welcome to the Computer History Museum

A Tour for the
British Computer Society
April 13, 2021

Brief Early History



1979: The Digital Computer Museum opens inside Digital Equipment Corporation's office in Marlborough, Massachusetts.



1984: The Computer Museum, dropping "Digital" from its name, relocates to Museum Wharf in the heart of downtown Boston.

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1996: The Computer Museum moves the unused historical collection west to Moffett Field in Mountain View, California



2002: The Computer History Museum purchases a new home: a landmark building in Mountain View, California, in the heart of Silicon Valley.

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2007: The Museum buys a modern climate-controlled storage facility in Milpitas, California to store objects not on display.



2008: The Museum opens the Babbage Difference Engine #2 exhibit. Thank you Doron!

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2011: In January, the Museum reopens with a new lobby, café, gift store and signature exhibition, *Revolution: The First 2,000 Years of Computing*.

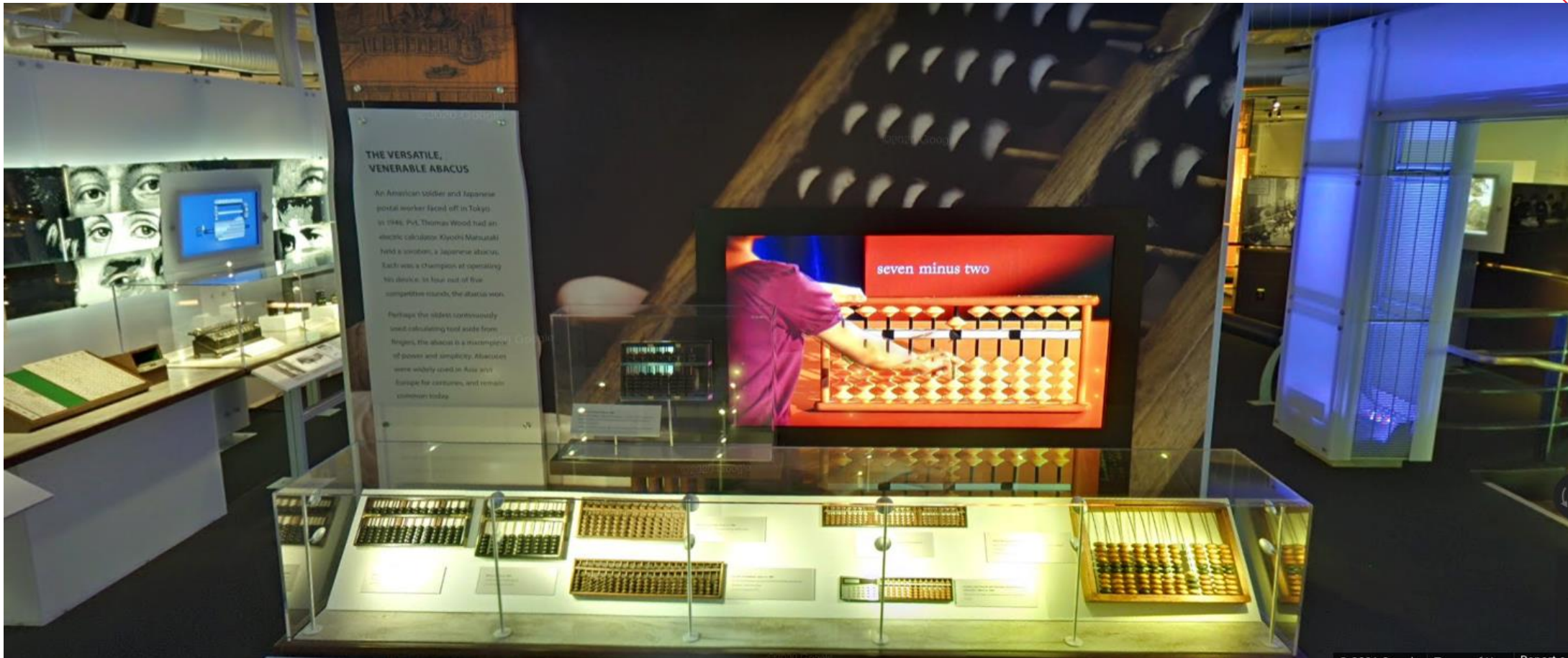


2017: The Museum opens the *Make Software: Change the World* exhibit.

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Abaci



Aids to Calculation



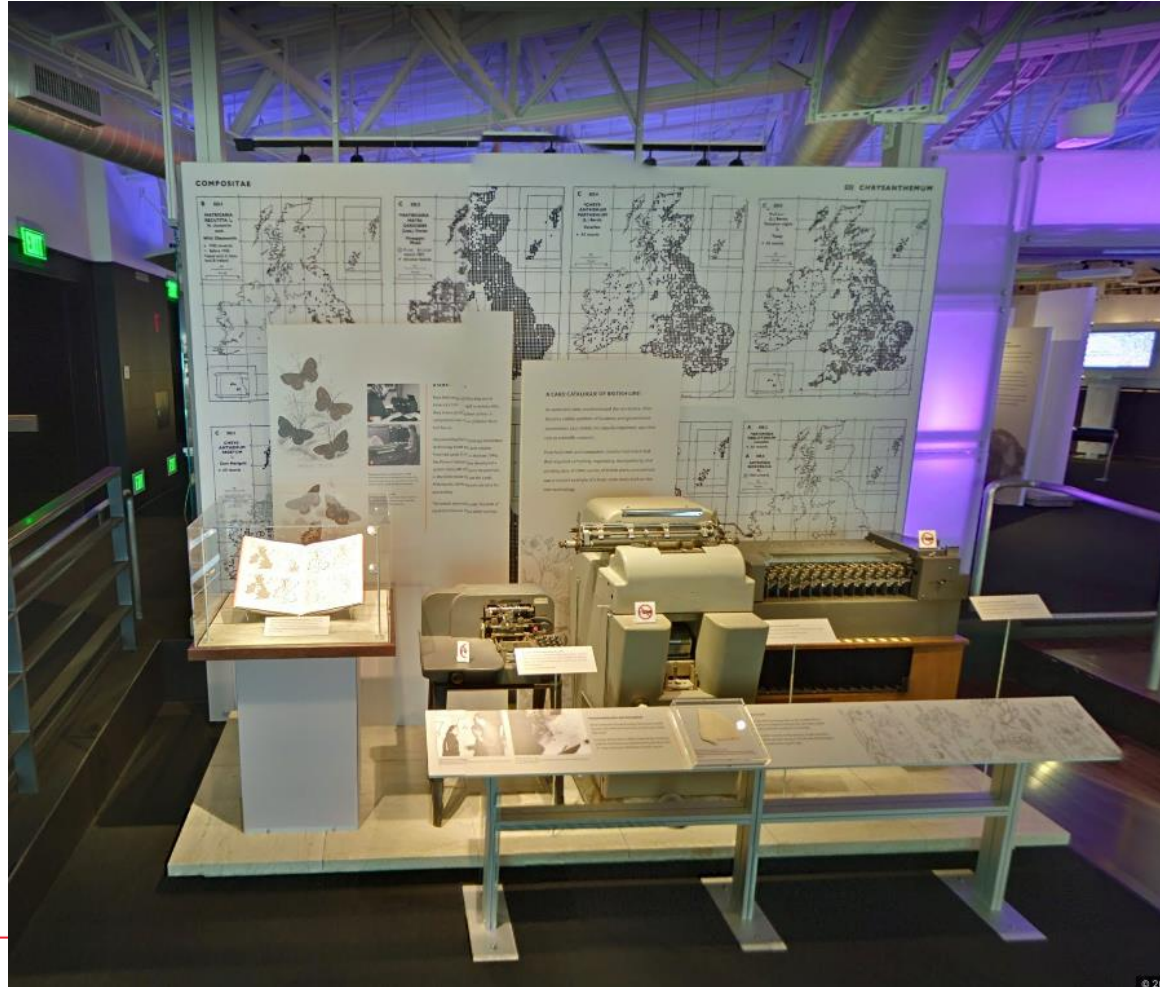
The Antikythera Mechanism ca. 2nd century A.D.



Punched Cards (Hollerith)



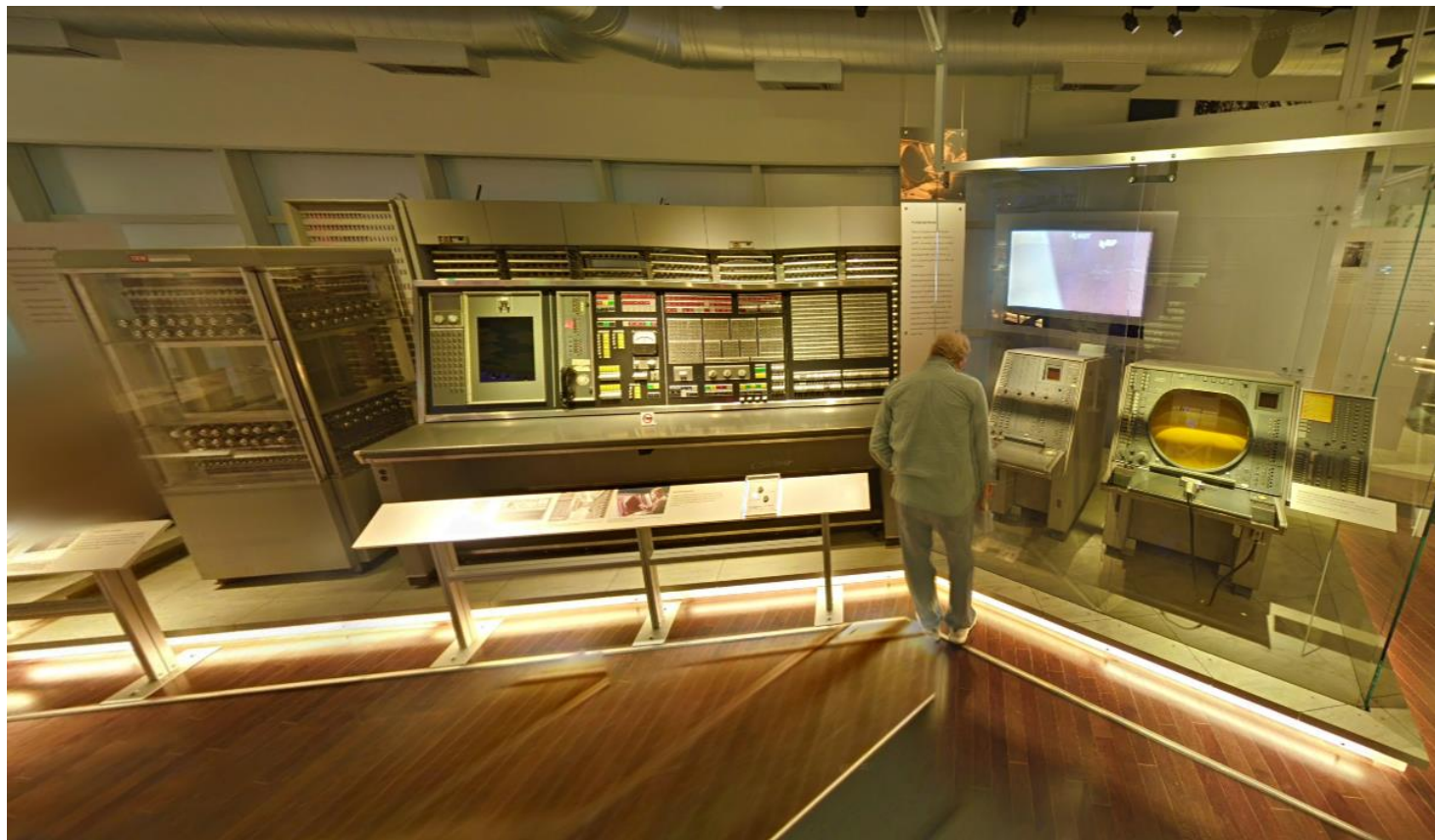
Punched Cards (Powers-Samas)



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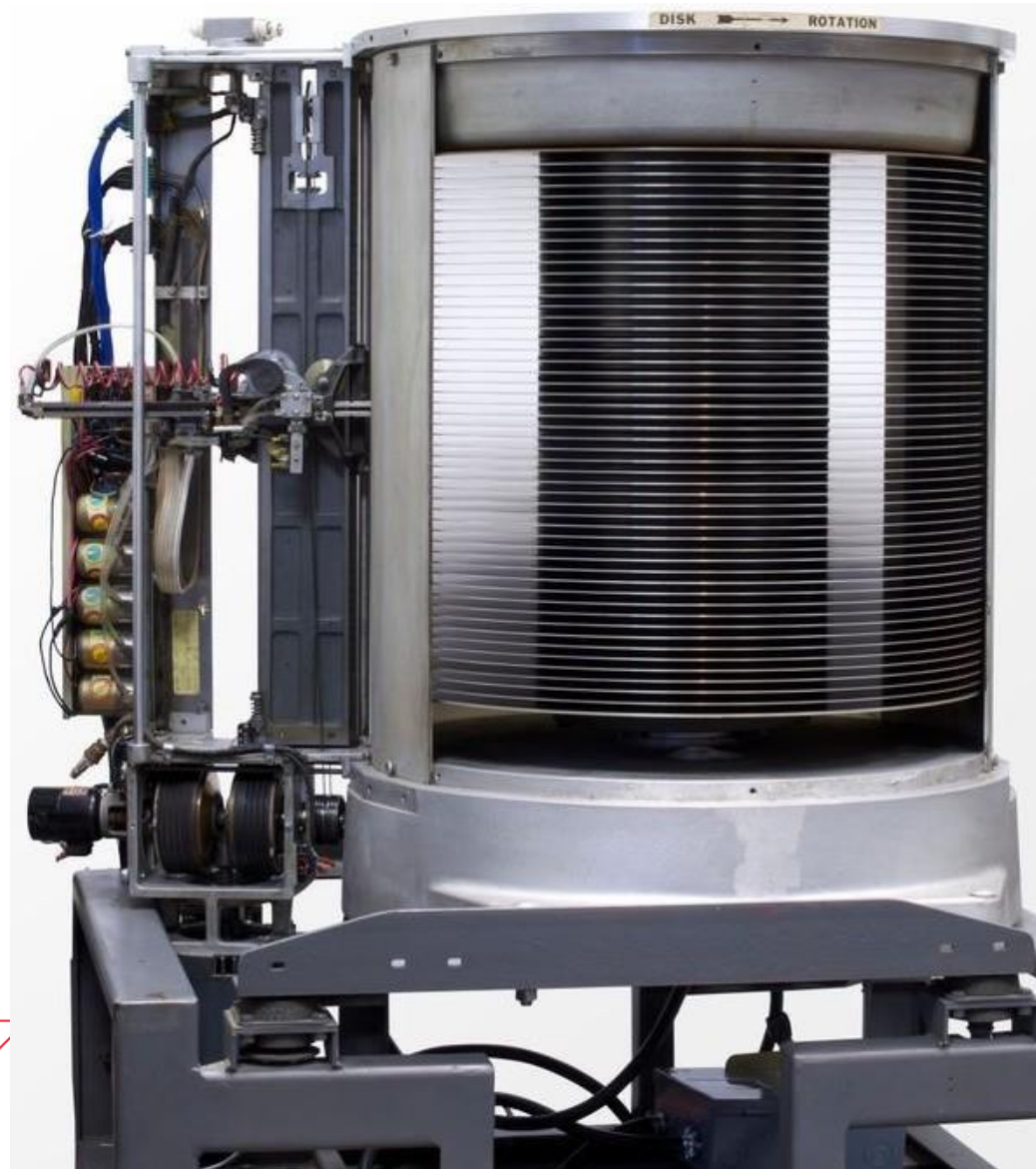
SAGE *(Semi-Automatic Ground Environment)*



IBM System/360 (Model 30)



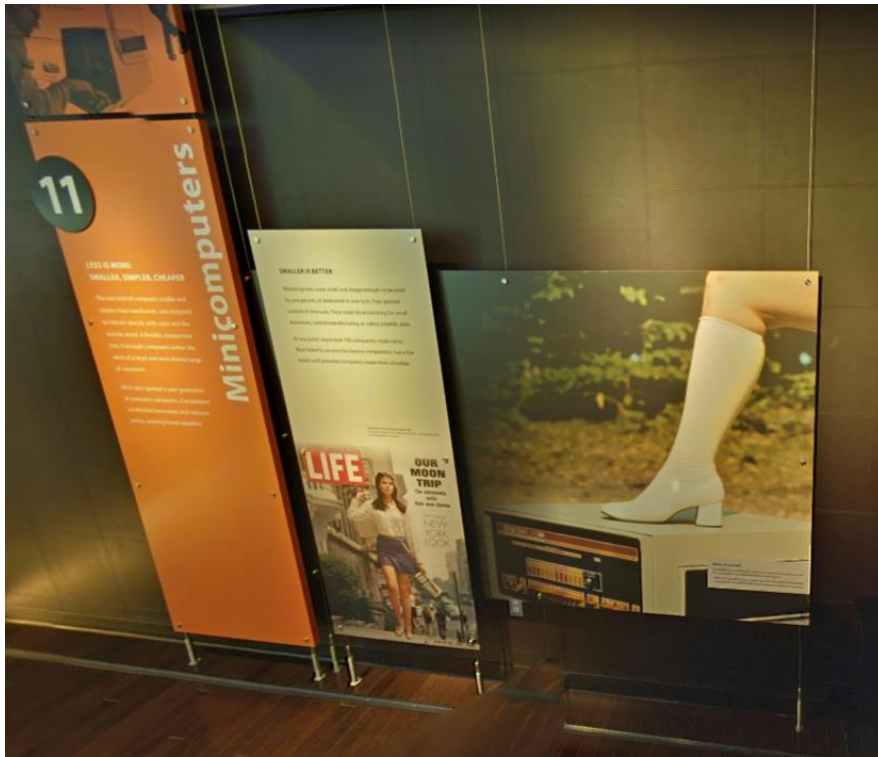
IBM RAMAC



Cray-1



DEC PDP-8 (classic)



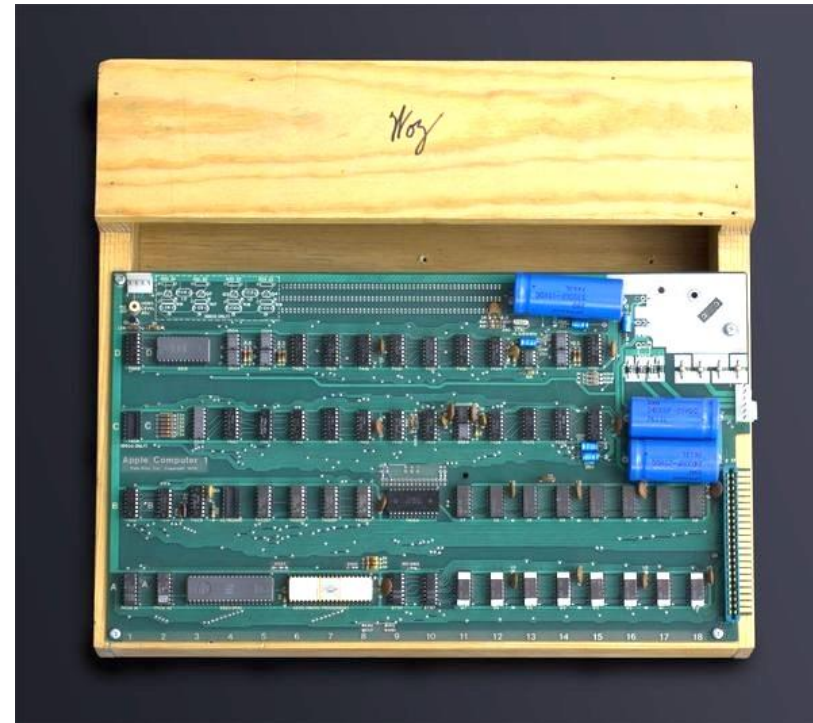
Moore's Law



Xerox PARC Alto



Apple-1



BBN IMP *(Interface Message Processor)*



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