

Ada Lovelace's Computer Program
Apple Time

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15 Min	Short Talk
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15 Min	Breakout 2
10 Min	Prizes!

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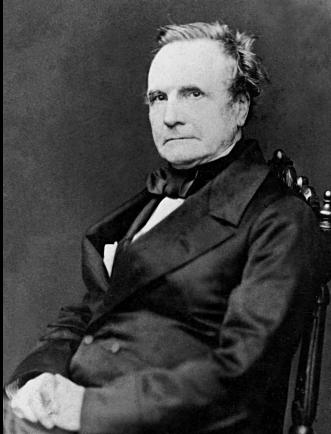
- HPC I/O Support Specialist in Livermore Computing since 2016
- Develop SCR: Scalable Checkpoint Restart library
- LC Hotline tech
- Excited about emacs, org-mode, static websites, fish shell, cmake, documentation, crossfit, rowing, knitting

Mathematical Tables

2	Logarithmi.	Logarithmi.	3	Logarithmi.	
1	0000,0000,0000	34	45314,78917,04426	63	4816
2	0010,19991,66398	35	45440,68044,35028	64	4832
3	0021,11117,19666	36	45567,021900,67129	65	4848
4	0032,09991,31396	37	45682,01724,00690	66	4864
5	0043,09004,11601	38	45797,81506,61681	67	4880
6	0054,11110,18368	39	45910,64607,02650	68	4896
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9	0087,48199,41921	42	06232,49520,30790	71	4944
10	0000,0000,0000	43	06324,68451,17959	72	4960
11	0041,199168,11821	44	06414,51876,48619	73	4976
12	0079,81126,04961	45	06502,11117,07124	74	4992
13	0119,41111,10084	46	06587,19111,04357	75	5008
14	0161,12801,18784	47	06670,07817,03874	76	5024
15	0205,02119,01568	48	06751,41127,17159	77	5040
16	0251,11981,61591	49	06830,19000,01811	78	5056
17	0300,04911,12187	50	06907,00004,16004	79	5072
18	0351,17397,10121	51	06982,70176,09794	80	5088
19	0404,13600,01121	52	07055,01345,07480	81	5104
20	0459,10991,66398	53	07127,17469,60079	82	5120
21	0516,10999,07199	54	07200,19179,04397	83	5136
22	0574,11680,13221	55	07274,62689,49424	84	5152
23	0633,17386,01759	56	07348,18807,00810	85	5168
24	0693,11121,71161	57	07423,18745,16749	86	5184
25	0754,00000,60194	58	07498,17993,16524	87	5200
26	0816,01349,09081	59	07574,14011,64124	88	5216
27	0879,13656,11890	60	07651,11510,81864	89	5232
28	0943,11802,11422	61	07728,12915,01077	90	5248
29	1008,19799,19396	62	07806,10169,49815	91	5264
30	1074,11116,71966	63	07885,10099,49168	92	5280
31	1141,16109,18427	64	07965,12997,10819	93	5296
32	1209,14997,11991	65	08046,13316,64216	94	5312
33	1278,13919,07789	66	08128,14393,51417	95	5328
34	1348,10917,04116	67	08211,74802,20012	96	5344
				97	5360
				98	5376
				99	5392
				100	5408

- Calculated values of logarithmic and trigonometric functions
- Built by hand by human "computers"
- Used to do rapid multiplication, division, and exponentiation

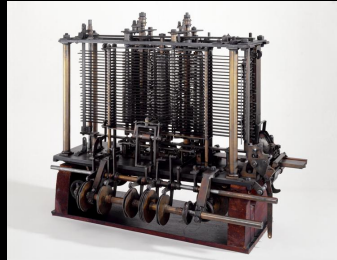
Charles Babbage and the Difference Engine



- 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

16 Jan 1837

Dear Babbage. The coat
is safe, & will be
delivered by Carlotta at
your house either on
Monday evening or on
Tuesday morning. She
goes up on Monday to
get the baggage for
Tuesday. I am going to
London very early on Tuesday
morning, for one or two
nights. — I hope to see

Sketch of the Analytical Engine

SCIENTIFIC MEMOIRS,

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ARTICLE XXIX.

Sketch of the Analytical Engine invented by Charles Babbage
Eq. 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 its power, the machine does not "think"

Note D "Diagram of development" for calculating
 $B_7 = -1(A_0 + B_1 A_1 + B_3 A_3 + B_5 A_5)$

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
    }
}
```

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