


Computer architecture

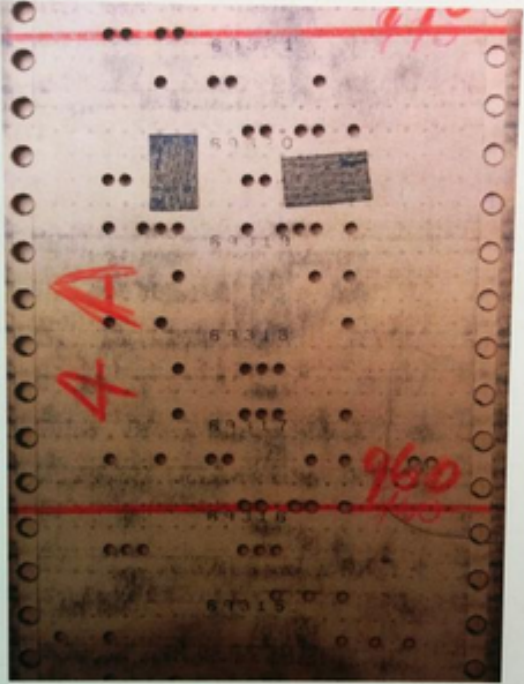
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- von Neumann architecture, and Turing's universal computer
- The fetch-decode-execute cycle
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TIL that the phrase software "patch" is from a physical patch applied to Mark 1 paper tape to modify the program.

The "Patch"



Small corrections to the programmed sequence could be done by patching over portions of the paper tape and re-punching the holes in that section.

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Figure 1: @hmason on Twitter