

Chapter 3

Computer Hardware

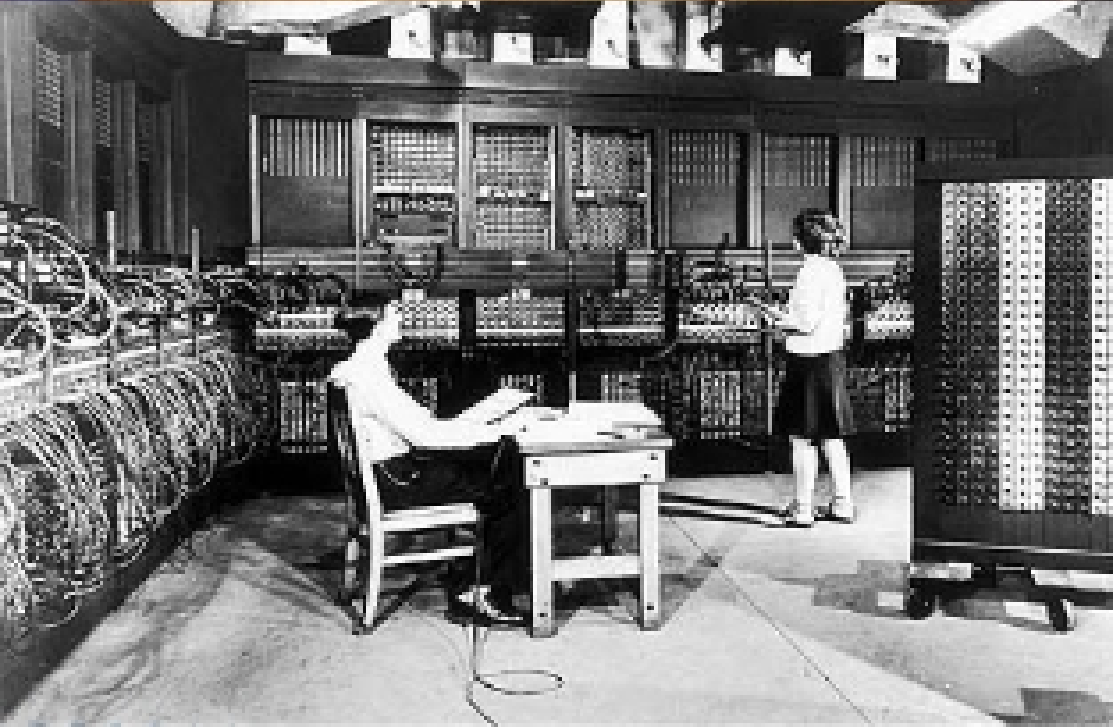
II. A Brief History of Computer Hardware

Without computers many technological achievements would not have been possible:

- ❖ Counting with fingers/toes
- ❖ Blaise Pascal, 1642 - invented the first mechanical adding machine



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- ❖ Herman Hollerith - Hollerith's Punch Card system to record census data in late 1880's; 1911 - merged with competitor to form IBM
- ❖ ENIAC (Electronic Numerical Integrator and Calculator), 1946 - the world's first electronic digital computer