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Manchester - first impressions

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I haven't written here for couple of months. There was several reasons for that. My trip to Manchester and my PhD was preparing. There was a lot of changes going on, and there was almost no time for writing. Now there is a little time to write about first impressions.

I arrived to Manchester at 13th January 2014. from Belgrade via Munich. So by now I am about one month here. I arrived as mentioned before for my Research PhD in computer science. I am part of Natural language processing and text mining research group in the school of computer science, University of Manchester. My PhD topic is about information extraction from tables in biomedical literature.

In the 2012 Academic Ranking of World Universities, Manchester is ranked 40th in the world and 5th in the UK. It is ranked 32nd in the world, 10th in Europe and 8th in the UK in the 2012 QS World University Rankings. The School of Computer Science is ranked 30th in the world, 5th in Europe and 3rd in UK. The University of Manchester has 25 Nobel Laureates among its past and present students and staff, the third-highest number of any single university in the United Kingdom after Cambridge and Oxford. Four Nobel laureates are currently among its staff – more than any other British university.

So far, Manchester seems nice. It is quite a rainy city. It rains almost every day. At least it did, for the last month. I had a chance to visit Manchester Museum and Museum of Science and Industry. They are very huge museum and both of them have free entrance. Museum of Science and Industry have 6 building, each with different topic. Pictures can be seen here.

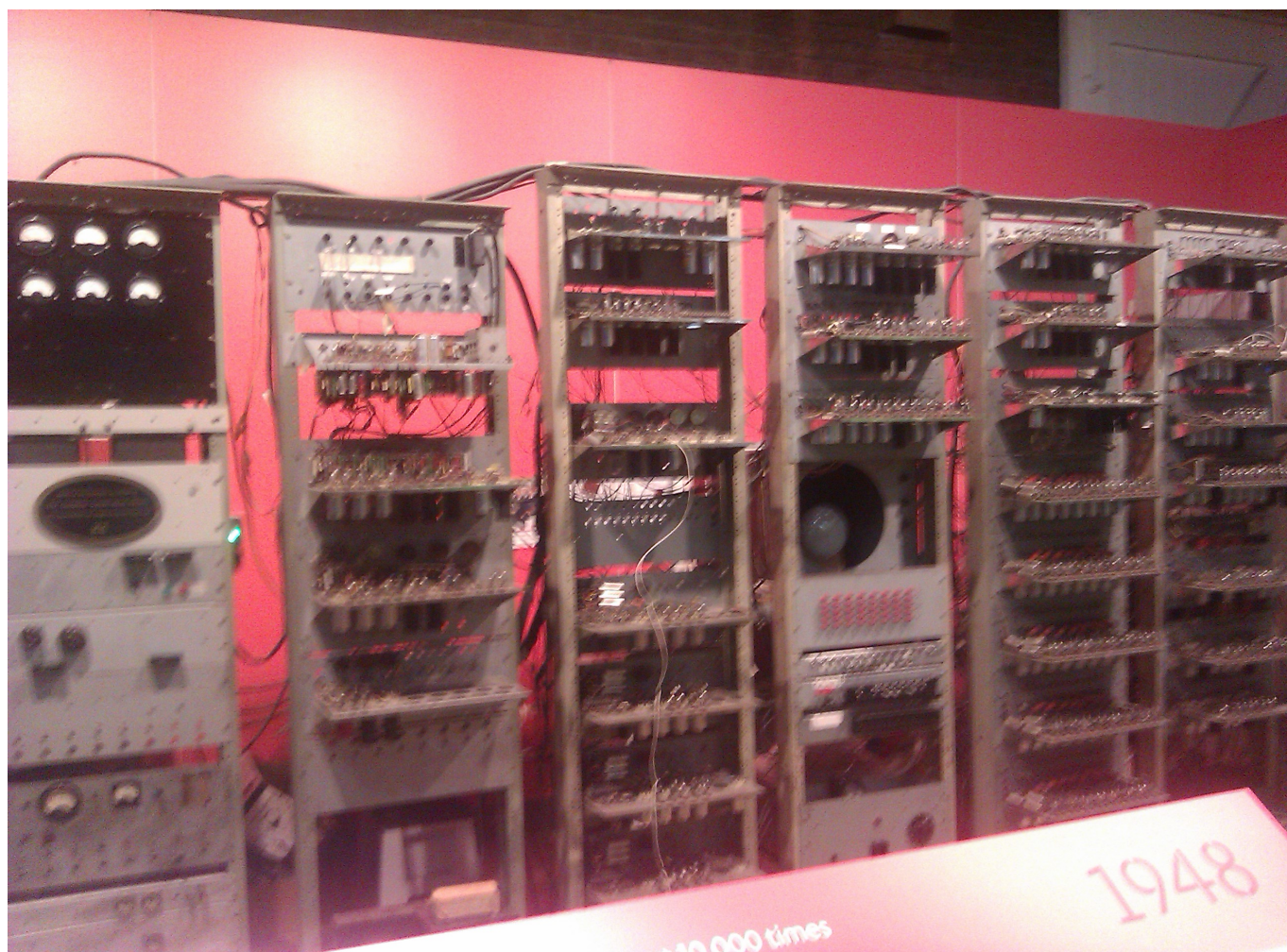


T-Rex,

Manchester Museum



Macintosh, Commodore64, Atari



Manchester baby, 1948



Nuclear fuels

Regarding life in Manchester it seems for now quite good. There are many student led communities in the University of Manchester student union. There are about 300 different clubs and societies. There are many pubs around Oxford road, where University campus is places. There are also some clubs (which I still have not visited).

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