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English electrical engineer who first developed the concept of a microprocessor. In a paper written in the early 1950s, Dummer proposed a single, monolithic device that would contain a great number of circuits and electronic components. Though the inferior technology of the time prohibited Dummer from producing such a machine, it became a reality with the next two decades and spawned the computer revolution.