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THE FUTURE WAS AT HER FINGERTIPS

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1843 Ada Lovelace writes what is considered the first computer program
1867 The typewriter is introduced
1908 Kikunae Ikeda proposes the existence of umami
1950 A cybernetic tortoise is designed by William Grey Walter
1963 Rajko Tomović develops one of the earliest artificial limbs with a sense of touch known as the 'Belgrade Hand'
1968 Marvin Minsky creates the tentacle arm 1968 Marvin Minsky is an adviser on the movie '2001: A Space Odyssey'
1973 The Internet consists of 25 computers
1977 In 'Demon Seed' by Donald Cammell, Susan Harris is impregnated by an artificial intelligence called Protheus; the AI uses the 'Belgrade hand' as it's robotic prop
1980 Tito dies
1984 Hewlett Packard introduces the first inkjet printer available to consumers
1984 Jivamukti Yoga is founded in New York
1987 The second to last 'Relay of Youth' takes place in Yugoslavia; the baton is made out of plexiglass with 8 drops of blood
1988 Worm plagues the Internet
1989 Borka Jerman Blažić registers the .yu domain
1989 Corbis is founded by Bill Gates
1996 Olia Lialina makes 'My Boyfriend Came Back From the War'
1997 'Zeroes + Ones: Digital Women and the New Technoculture' by Sadie Plant is published
1998 The first Lululemon store opens in Vancouver
2000 Saint Isidore of Seville is declared the patron saint of the Internet by the Vatican; he is also the patron saint of computers, computer users, and computer technicians
2006 Spam intensifies to 96% of all emails
2008 Bhutan acknowledges women's full right to vote
2008 Shapeways launches a service allowing customers to design and produce their own 3 dimensional products
2010 .yu is the most heavily used top-level domain ever to be deleted
2012 Bayer MaterialScience LLC updates their soft-touch coating technology
2012 In 'Prometheus' by Ridley Scott, Dr. Elizabeth Shaw performs an abortion on herself, removing the alien fetus
2013 Zaha Hadid becomes the Veuve Clicquot businesswoman of the year
2025 New Zealand is completely smoke-free
2099 Most conscious beings lack a permanent physical form