# Computer mouse

#### What is the computer mouse?

A computer mouse is a coordinate device for controlling the cursor and giving various commands to a computer. The cursor is controlled by moving the mouse over the surface of the table or a mouse pad.

## First computer mouse

It was made of wood and was the first input device that fit into the user's hand. Under the case there were two metal disks-wheels, a diagram. The button was only one, and the wire went under the wrist of the person holding the device.



#### Upgrade

- In 1968, in a computer conference at San Francisco, D. Engelbart presented the improved first computer mice. They had three buttons, in addition to them the keyboard was equipped with a device for the left hand.
- In 1972, Bill English replaced the wheels with a trackball, which made it possible to recognize mouse movement in any direction.



## Upgrade 2

The first computer mice were rectangular or square in shape, the anatomical rounded design appeared only in 1991. It was introduced by Logitech. In addition to an interesting form, the novelty was wireless: communication with a computer was provided using radio waves.

The first optical mouse appeared in 1982. She needed a special pad with a printed grid. And although the ball in the trackball quickly contaminated and caused inconvenience that it needed to be cleaned regularly, the optical mouse until 1998 was commercially unprofitable.

