Many programmers use forms of Agile software development where the various stages of formal software development are more integrated together into short cycles that take a few weeks rather than years. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. Auxiliary tasks accompanying and related to programming include analyzing requirements, testing, debugging (investigating and fixing problems), implementation of build systems, and management of derived artifacts, such as programs' machine code. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Trade-offs from this ideal involve finding enough programmers who know the language to build a team, the availability of compilers for that language, and the efficiency with which programs written in a given language execute. Scripting and breakpointing is also part of this process. Allen Downey, in his book How To Think Like A Computer Scientist, writes: Many computer languages provide a mechanism to call functions provided by shared libraries. For this purpose, algorithms are classified into orders using so-called Big O notation, which expresses resource use, such as execution time or memory consumption, in terms of the size of an input. Scripting and breakpointing is also part of this process. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. However, because an assembly language is little more than a different notation for a machine language, two machines with different instruction sets also have different assembly languages. Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use. FORTRAN, the first widely used high-level language to have a functional implementation, came out in 1957, and many other languages were soon developed—in particular, COBOL aimed at commercial data processing, and Lisp for computer research. However, because an assembly language is little more than a different notation for a machine language, two machines with different instruction sets also have different assembly languages. High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware. Auxiliary tasks accompanying and related to programming include analyzing requirements, testing, debugging (investigating and fixing problems), implementation of build systems, and management of derived artifacts, such as programs' machine code. These compiled languages allow the programmer to write programs in terms that are syntactically richer, and more capable of abstracting the code, making it easy to target varying machine instruction sets via compilation declarations and heuristics. Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. Allen Downey, in his book How To Think Like A Computer Scientist, writes: Many computer languages provide a mechanism to call functions provided by shared libraries. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability.