

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. 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. Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem. For example, when a bug in a compiler can make it crash when parsing some large source file, a simplification of the test case that results in only few lines from the original source file can be sufficient to reproduce the same crash. Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. For example, COBOL is still strong in corporate data centers often on large mainframe computers, Fortran in engineering applications, scripting languages in Web development, and C in embedded software. By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. In 1206, the Arab engineer Al-Jazari invented a programmable drum machine where a musical mechanical automaton could be made to play different rhythms and drum patterns, via pegs and cams. High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. Different programming languages support different styles of programming (called programming paradigms). Some of these factors include: The presentation aspects of this (such as indents, line breaks, color highlighting, and so on) are often handled by the source code editor, but the content aspects reflect the programmer's talent and skills. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging). Their jobs usually involve: Although programming has been presented in the media as a somewhat mathematical subject, some research shows that good programmers have strong skills in natural human languages, and that learning to code is similar to learning a foreign language. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. There are many approaches to the Software development process. Machine code was the language of early programs, written in the instruction set of the particular machine, often in binary notation. They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones.