

The choice of language used is subject to many considerations, such as company policy, suitability to task, availability of third-party packages, or individual preference. Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. There are many approaches to the Software development process. Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem. Proficient programming usually requires expertise in several different subjects, including knowledge of the application domain, details of programming languages and generic code libraries, specialized algorithms, and formal logic. 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. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. Programs were mostly entered using punched cards or paper tape. 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. Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use. Some languages are more prone to some kinds of faults because their specification does not require compilers to perform as much checking as other languages. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). Expert programmers are familiar with a variety of well-established algorithms and their respective complexities and use this knowledge to choose algorithms that are best suited to the circumstances. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. 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. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process.