

Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. 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. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem. When debugging the problem in a GUI, the programmer can try to skip some user interaction from the original problem description and check if remaining actions are sufficient for bugs to appear. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. However, with the concept of the stored-program computer introduced in 1949, both programs and data were stored and manipulated in the same way in computer memory. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. 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. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. Programs were mostly entered using punched cards or paper tape. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. 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. Machine code was the language of early programs, written in the instruction set of the particular machine, often in binary notation. In the 1880s, Herman Hollerith invented the concept of storing data in machine-readable form. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. As early as the 9th century, a programmable music sequencer was invented by the Persian Banu Musa brothers, who described an automated mechanical flute player in the Book of Ingenious Devices.