

The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging). 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. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. While these are sometimes considered programming, often the term software development is used for this larger overall process – with the terms programming, implementation, and coding reserved for the writing and editing of code per se. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. 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. Methods of measuring programming language popularity include: counting the number of job advertisements that mention the language, the number of books sold and courses teaching the language (this overestimates the importance of newer languages), and estimates of the number of existing lines of code written in the language (this underestimates the number of users of business languages such as COBOL). It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. Methods of measuring programming language popularity include: counting the number of job advertisements that mention the language, the number of books sold and courses teaching the language (this overestimates the importance of newer languages), and estimates of the number of existing lines of code written in the language (this underestimates the number of users of business languages such as COBOL). One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties. 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 first computer program is generally dated to 1843, when mathematician Ada Lovelace published an algorithm to calculate a sequence of Bernoulli numbers, intended to be carried out by Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages.