

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. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. In the 1880s, Herman Hollerith invented the concept of storing data in machine-readable form. Many factors, having little or nothing to do with the ability of the computer to efficiently compile and execute the code, contribute to readability. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. 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. 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. 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. 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. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. 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. However, Charles Babbage had already written his first program for the Analytical Engine in 1837. Programmers typically use high-level programming languages that are more easily intelligible to humans than machine code, which is directly executed by the central processing unit. 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. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. 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. The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging).