Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. These compiled languages allow the programmer to write programs in terms that are syntactically richer, and more capable of abstracting the code, making it easy to target varying machine instruction sets via compilation declarations and heuristics. 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. 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. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming 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. The following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. However, because an assembly language is little more than a different notation for a machine language, two machines with different instruction sets also have different assembly 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. 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. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. The following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code. 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. 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. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug.