

Programmable devices have existed for centuries. 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 exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Provided the functions in a library follow the appropriate run-time conventions (e.g., method of passing arguments), then these functions may be written in any other language. It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. 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. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. 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. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications. 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. New languages are generally designed around the syntax of a prior language with new functionality added, (for example C++ adds object-orientation to C, and Java adds memory management and bytecode to C++, but as a result, loses efficiency and the ability for low-level manipulation). It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones. 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. 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. 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. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. 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. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications.