Machine code was the language of early programs, written in the instruction set of the particular machine, often in binary notation. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. 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. The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging). Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. 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. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. 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. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. 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. 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. 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. After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug. 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). Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. 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. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. 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.