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. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use. 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. Their jobs usually involve: Although programming has been presented in the media as a somewhat mathematical subject, some research shows that good programmers have strong skills in natural human languages, and that learning to code is similar to learning a foreign language. 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 involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. 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. They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. The academic field and the engineering practice of computer programming are both largely concerned with discovering and implementing the most efficient algorithms for a given class of problems. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. 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. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Programming languages are essential for software development. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones. 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. Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries. 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 affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.