

Later a control panel (plug board) added to his 1906 Type I Tabulator allowed it to be programmed for different jobs, and by the late 1940s, unit record equipment such as the IBM 602 and IBM 604, were programmed by control panels in a similar way, as were the first electronic computers. He gave the first description of cryptanalysis by frequency analysis, the earliest code-breaking algorithm. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). 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. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. 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. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. 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. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones. They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties. 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. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. Trial-and-error/divide-and-conquer is needed: the programmer will try to remove some parts of the original test case and check if the problem still exists. While these are sometimes considered programming, often the term software development is used for this larger overall process – with the terms programming, implementation, and coding reserved for the writing and editing of code per se. 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. Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks.