

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. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications. Many factors, having little or nothing to do with the ability of the computer to efficiently compile and execute the code, contribute to readability. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. Assembly languages were soon developed that let the programmer specify instruction in a text format (e.g., ADD X, TOTAL), with abbreviations for each operation code and meaningful names for specifying addresses. Debugging is often done with IDEs. Standalone debuggers like GDB are also used, and these often provide less of a visual environment, usually using a command line. 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. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. In the 1880s, Herman Hollerith invented the concept of storing data in machine-readable form. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. However, readability is more than just programming style. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. 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. Methods of measuring programming language popularity include: counting the number of job advertisements that mention the language, the number of books sold and courses teaching the language (this overestimates the importance of newer languages), and estimates of the number of existing lines of code written in the language (this underestimates the number of users of business languages such as COBOL). 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. After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. 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. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.