There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" - a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation. 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. Programming languages are essential for software development. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. 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. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. For example, when a bug in a compiler can make it crash when parsing some large source file, a simplification of the test case that results in only few lines from the original source file can be sufficient to reproduce the same crash. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Expert programmers are familiar with a variety of well-established algorithms and their respective complexities and use this knowledge to choose algorithms that are best suited to the circumstances. 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. He gave the first description of cryptanalysis by frequency analysis, the earliest code-breaking algorithm. 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 very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming 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. 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. Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). Languages form an approximate spectrum from "low-level" to "high-level"; "low-level" languages are typically more machine-oriented and faster to execute, whereas "high-level" languages are more abstract and easier to use but execute less quickly. Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers.