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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. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. The choice of language used is subject to many considerations, such as company policy, suitability to task, availability of third-party packages, or individual preference. These compiled languages allow the programmer to write programs in terms that are syntactically richer, and more capable of abstracting the code, making it easy to target varying machine instruction sets via compilation declarations and heuristics. In the 1880s, Herman Hollerith invented the concept of storing data in machine-readable form. Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. However, with the concept of the stored-program computer introduced in 1949, both programs and data were stored and manipulated in the same way in computer memory. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. 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. Some of these factors include: The presentation aspects of this (such as indents, line breaks, color highlighting, and so on) are often handled by the source code editor, but the content aspects reflect the programmer's talent and skills. However, readability is more than just programming style. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. Various visual programming languages have also been developed with the intent to resolve readability concerns by adopting non-traditional approaches to code structure and display. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. 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. However, with the concept of the stored-program computer introduced in 1949, both programs and data were stored and manipulated in the same way in computer memory. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs.