They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers. 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. Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug. Computer programmers are those who write computer software. Computer programmers are those who write computer software. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages. Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties. 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. 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. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. Programming languages are essential for software development. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. 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. 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. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware. Programmable devices have existed for centuries.