

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. 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. They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. 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. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. 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. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. The following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Many factors, having little or nothing to do with the ability of the computer to efficiently compile and execute the code, contribute to readability. 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. 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 Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. Many programmers use forms of Agile software development where the various stages of formal software development are more integrated together into short cycles that take a few weeks rather than years. 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. 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. 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. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. 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 following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code.