

By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers. 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. 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. It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. 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. Following a consistent programming style often helps readability. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Readability is important because programmers spend the majority of their time reading, trying to understand, reusing and modifying existing source code, rather than writing new source code. While these are sometimes considered programming, often the term software development is used for this larger overall process – with the terms programming, implementation, and coding reserved for the writing and editing of code per se. Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. 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). 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. The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging). Computer programmers are those who write computer software. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. 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.