It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages..  
One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis.  
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.  
It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones.  
By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers.  
Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability.  
 Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users.  
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.  
Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem.  
 Programs were mostly entered using punched cards or paper tape.  
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.  
Their jobs usually involve:  
 Although programming has been presented in the media as a somewhat mathematical subject, some research shows that good programmers have strong skills in natural human languages, and that learning to code is similar to learning a foreign language.  
Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
FORTRAN, the first widely used high-level language to have a functional implementation, came out in 1957, and many other languages were soon developed—in particular, COBOL aimed at commercial data processing, and Lisp for computer research.