There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks..  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
 Machine code was the language of early programs, written in the instruction set of the particular machine, often in binary notation.  
However, Charles Babbage had already written his first program for the Analytical Engine in 1837.  
They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones.  
 Programmable devices have existed for centuries.  
Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation.  
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.  
When debugging the problem in a GUI, the programmer can try to skip some user interaction from the original problem description and check if remaining actions are sufficient for bugs to appear.  
Expert programmers are familiar with a variety of well-established algorithms and their respective complexities and use this knowledge to choose algorithms that are best suited to the circumstances.  
Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem.  
 Debugging is often done with IDEs. Standalone debuggers like GDB are also used, and these often provide less of a visual environment, usually using a command line.  
By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers.  
 Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications.