Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process..  
It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages.  
Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected.  
There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks.  
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.  
  
It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability.  
Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.  
 It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages.  
 Computer programmers are those who write computer software.  
 Various visual programming languages have also been developed with the intent to resolve readability concerns by adopting non-traditional approaches to code structure and display.  
 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.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
Languages form an approximate spectrum from "low-level" to "high-level"; "low-level" languages are typically more machine-oriented and faster to execute, whereas "high-level" languages are more abstract and easier to use but execute less quickly.  
 After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug.