Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries..  
Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability.  
A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
Trial-and-error/divide-and-conquer is needed: the programmer will try to remove some parts of the original test case and check if the problem still exists.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
 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.  
 Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages.  
Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.  
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.  
Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem.  
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.  
 Programs were mostly entered using punched cards or paper tape.  
 High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware.  
  
 Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks.