Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries..  
One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis.  
 High-level languages made the process of developing a program simpler and more understandable, and less bound to the underlying hardware.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.  
It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability.  
 A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling).  
It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones.  
 Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users.  
In the 9th century, the Arab mathematician Al-Kindi described a cryptographic algorithm for deciphering encrypted code, in A Manuscript on Deciphering Cryptographic Messages.  
 The first computer program is generally dated to 1843, when mathematician Ada Lovelace published an algorithm to calculate a sequence of Bernoulli numbers, intended to be carried out by Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine.  
  
 Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks.  
There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks.  
For example, COBOL is still strong in corporate data centers often on large mainframe computers, Fortran in engineering applications, scripting languages in Web development, and C in embedded software.  
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.  
 It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages.