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A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs.  
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.  
Some of these factors include:  
 The presentation aspects of this (such as indents, line breaks, color highlighting, and so on) are often handled by the source code editor, but the content aspects reflect the programmer's talent and skills.  
This is interpreted into machine code.  
Relatedly, software engineering combines engineering techniques and principles with software development.  
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