For example, when a bug in a compiler can make it crash when parsing some large source file, a simplification of the test case that results in only few lines from the original source file can be sufficient to reproduce the same crash.  
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.  
For this purpose, algorithms are classified into orders using so-called Big O notation, which expresses resource use, such as execution time or memory consumption, in terms of the size of an input.  
Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems.  
Scripting and breakpointing is also part of this process.  
Compiling takes the source code from a low-level programming language and converts it into machine code.  
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.  
It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.  
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Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.  
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