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.  
However, Charles Babbage had already written his first program for the Analytical Engine in 1837.  
As early as the 9th century, a programmable music sequencer was invented by the Persian Banu Musa brothers, who described an automated mechanical flute player in the Book of Ingenious Devices.  
Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation.  
Many factors, having little or nothing to do with the ability of the computer to efficiently compile and execute the code, contribute to readability.  
To produce machine code, the source code must either be compiled or transpiled.  
Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems.  
Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem.  
It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones.  
Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help.  
It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability.  
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.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.  
 It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages.  
There are many approaches to the Software development process.