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Scripting and breakpointing is also part of this process.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.  
They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones.  
Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help.  
Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems.  
The choice of language used is subject to many considerations, such as company policy, suitability to task, availability of third-party packages, or individual preference.  
By the late 1960s, data storage devices and computer terminals became inexpensive enough that programs could be created by typing directly into the computers.  
Later a control panel (plug board) added to his 1906 Type I Tabulator allowed it to be programmed for different jobs, and by the late 1940s, unit record equipment such as the IBM 602 and IBM 604, were programmed by control panels in a similar way, as were the first electronic computers.  
Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability.  
It is usually easier to code in "high-level" languages than in "low-level" ones.  
  
Also, those involved with software development may at times engage in reverse engineering, which is the practice of seeking to understand an existing program so as to re-implement its function in some way.