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Programming in practice: testing and debugging

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## To err is human

- Syntax errors ("Compiler errors")
- Violate grammar rules of the language
- Discovered by the compiler
- Logic errors ("Run-time errors")
- Incorrect algorithm to solve problem
- Compiler does not see the error
- Results in unexpected program behavior

Start programming assignments/projects early leave ample time for "debugging"

## The earliest computer bugs

- Programming with vacuum tubes
- If a bug crawls into a tube, the circuitry is altered and calculations cannot be performed correctly


The cycle of programming


