

# Application

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An **Application**, also known as an **Application Program** or **Application Software**, is a computer software package that performs a specific function directly for an end user or, in some cases, for another **Application**. An **Application** can be self-contained or a group of programs. The program is a set of operations that runs the application for the user.

Some common **Application** examples include:

- Word processors
- Database programs
- Web browsers
- Deployment tools
- Image editors
- Communication platforms

**Applications** use the computer's [Operating System \(OS\)](#) and other supporting programs, typically system software, to function. An **Application** requests services from and communicates with other technologies via an [Application Programming Interface \(API\)](#).

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