A Sketchy Evolution of Software Design

- 1960s
 - Structured Programming
 - ("Goto Considered Harmful", E.W.Dijkstra)
 - Emerged from considerations of formally specifying the semantics of programming languages, and proving programs satisfy a predicate.
 - Adopted into programming languages because it's a better way to think about programming
- 1970s
 - Structured Design
 - · Methodology/guidelines for dividing programs into subroutines.
- 1980s
 - Modular (object-based) programming
 - Ada, Modula, Euclid, ...
 - Grouping of sub-routines into modules with data.
- 1990s
 - Object-Oriented Languages started being commonly used
 - Object-Oriented Analysis and Design for guidance.

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Three Papers by David Parnas

- "On the Criteria To Be Used in Decomposing Systems into Modules"
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