Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks. Their jobs usually involve: Although programming has been presented in the media as a somewhat mathematical subject, some research shows that good programmers have strong skills in natural human languages, and that learning to code is similar to learning a foreign language. However, Charles Babbage had already written his first program for the Analytical Engine in 1837. Many programmers use forms of Agile software development where the various stages of formal software development are more integrated together into short cycles that take a few weeks rather than years. For example, when a bug in a compiler can make it crash when parsing some large source file, a simplification of the test case that results in only few lines from the original source file can be sufficient to reproduce the same crash. For example, when a bug in a compiler can make it crash when parsing some large source file, a simplification of the test case that results in only few lines from the original source file can be sufficient to reproduce the same crash. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. Some of these factors include: The presentation aspects of this (such as indents, line breaks, color highlighting, and so on) are often handled by the source code editor, but the content aspects reflect the programmer's talent and skills. In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them. Many programmers use forms of Agile software development where the various stages of formal software development are more integrated together into short cycles that take a few weeks rather than years. Provided the functions in a library follow the appropriate run-time conventions (e.g., method of passing arguments), then these functions may be written in any other language. Some languages are more prone to some kinds of faults because their specification does not require compilers to perform as much checking as other languages. 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. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA. Allen Downey, in his book How To Think Like A Computer Scientist, writes: Many computer languages provide a mechanism to call functions provided by shared libraries. It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages. Auxiliary tasks accompanying and related to programming include analyzing requirements, testing, debugging (investigating and fixing problems), implementation of build systems, and management of derived artifacts, such as programs' machine code. Allen Downey, in his book How To Think Like A Computer Scientist, writes: Many computer languages provide a mechanism to call functions provided by shared libraries. Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). 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.