This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs. Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected. 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. He gave the first description of cryptanalysis by frequency analysis, the earliest code-breaking algorithm. Programmable devices have existed for centuries. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. 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. Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation. Methods of measuring programming language popularity include: counting the number of job advertisements that mention the language, the number of books sold and courses teaching the language (this overestimates the importance of newer languages), and estimates of the number of existing lines of code written in the language (this underestimates the number of users of business languages such as COBOL). Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards. Sometimes software development is known as software engineering, especially when it employs formal methods or follows an engineering design process. Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability. 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. Many factors, having little or nothing to do with the ability of the computer to efficiently compile and execute the code, contribute to readability. A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). 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. 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. Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. Proficient programming usually requires expertise in several different subjects, including knowledge of the application domain, details of programming languages and generic code libraries, specialized algorithms, and formal logic. It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability. One approach popular for requirements analysis is Use Case analysis. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications.