The first computer program is generally dated to 1843, when mathematician Ada Lovelace published an algorithm to calculate a sequence of Bernoulli numbers, intended to be carried out by Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine. A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it. Popular modeling techniques include Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD) and Model-Driven Architecture (MDA). A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling). Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help. Programming languages are essential for software development. Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications. The following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code. Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment. Expert programmers are familiar with a variety of well-established algorithms and their respective complexities and use this knowledge to choose algorithms that are best suited to the circumstances. Debugging is often done with IDEs. Standalone debuggers like GDB are also used, and these often provide less of a visual environment, usually using a command line. The following properties are among the most important: In computer programming, readability refers to the ease with which a human reader can comprehend the purpose, control flow, and operation of source code. Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users. The first computer program is generally dated to 1843, when mathematician Ada Lovelace published an algorithm to calculate a sequence of Bernoulli numbers, intended to be carried out by Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine. 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. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems. FORTRAN, the first widely used high-level language to have a functional implementation, came out in 1957, and many other languages were soon developed—in particular, COBOL aimed at commercial data processing, and Lisp for computer research. Assembly languages were soon developed that let the programmer specify instruction in a text format (e.g., ADD X, TOTAL), with abbreviations for each operation code and meaningful names for specifying addresses. There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks. Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages. Assembly languages were soon developed that let the programmer specify instruction in a text format (e.g., ADD X, TOTAL), with abbreviations for each operation code and meaningful names for specifying addresses. Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation. Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties. Computer programmers are those who write computer software.