Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation..  
It involves designing and implementing algorithms, step-by-step specifications of procedures, by writing code in one or more programming languages.  
They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones.  
There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks.  
There are many approaches to the Software development process.  
 A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling).  
The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA.  
 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.  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
 Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties.  
 Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries.  
Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected.  
However, with the concept of the stored-program computer introduced in 1949, both programs and data were stored and manipulated in the same way in computer memory.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.  
  
The first compiler related tool, the A-0 System, was developed in 1952 by Grace Hopper, who also coined the term 'compiler'.