Text editors were also developed that allowed changes and corrections to be made much more easily than with punched cards..  
 The academic field and the engineering practice of computer programming are both largely concerned with discovering and implementing the most efficient algorithms for a given class of problems.  
The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA.  
 Various visual programming languages have also been developed with the intent to resolve readability concerns by adopting non-traditional approaches to code structure and display.  
 Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications.  
As early as the 9th century, a programmable music sequencer was invented by the Persian Banu Musa brothers, who described an automated mechanical flute player in the Book of Ingenious Devices.  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
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).  
 Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages.  
 A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling).  
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.  
Also, specific user environment and usage history can make it difficult to reproduce the problem.  
  
The first compiler related tool, the A-0 System, was developed in 1952 by Grace Hopper, who also coined the term 'compiler'.  
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.  
Ideally, the programming language best suited for the task at hand will be selected.