This can be a non-trivial task, for example as with parallel processes or some unusual software bugs.  
Proficient programming thus usually requires expertise in several different subjects, including knowledge of the application domain, specialized algorithms, and formal logic.  
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Relatedly, software engineering combines engineering techniques and principles with software development.  
Normally the first step in debugging is to attempt to reproduce the problem.  
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.  
There are many approaches to the Software development process.  
The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA.  
 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.  
However, Charles Babbage had already written his first program for the Analytical Engine in 1837.  
 Computer programmers are those who write computer software.