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In software, there is frequently only one good way to solve a problem. By granting anyone a patent on such a method, you've given the rest of the software engineers in the world a choice between inefficient and unnecessary workarounds or risk of litigation with unclear chances of demonstrating triviality or prior art.

Software is ultimately an unambiguous expression of an idea and as such should not be patentable. Ideas stand on the shoulders of other ideas and any impediment harms individuals, organizations, and societies.

Please consider excluding all software from patent protections in the future and let more appropriate copyright, intellectual property, and trade secret regulations protect authors and users appropriately.

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