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To Whom It Make Concern:

As a professor of information technology I would like to offer some feedback on the Bilski case. There was an error made by the Court probably due to their ignorance with common sense considerations with regard to computers and programming. Since algorithms comprise all software programs in the world it would logically follow that if algorithms are not patentable then software is not patentable. The obvious answer to the dilemma is that software should not be patentable--period. Any other attempt to try to patent software with some set of conditions will lead to a confusing and unproductive situation for society. It limits choice for the public and hinders innovation.

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