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Subject: Please stop software patents

Dear USPTO,

Software patents have, overall, hurt the industry and hindered progress instead of promoting it. I am a software engineer by trade and I would rather forgo any opportunity to patent my inventions than continue to suffer in the toxic software patent environment that we have.

Thank you,

Ben Higgins