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I've been a Software Engineer for thirty years.

I write it, I sell it and maintain it. I've worked for huge companies, small companies and myself.

I BELIEVE THAT NO SOFTWARE SHOULD BE PATENTABLE.

Software is simply code (math) and data and there is simply no reason why it should qualify for patent protection any more than addition and subtraction, or instances thereof.

$A+B=C$ is not patentable. There's no reason that $2+3=5$ should be.

In the end, software is really just math and does not qualify for patent.

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