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As a software engineer who wants to become an entrepreneur, I'm afraid of software patents. If I create software that threatens a larger competitor, I won't be able to finance a defense against a larger competitor.

Patents were created to foster innovation. I feel that in software, they only create the ability to stifle it. Please consider reforming this practice.

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