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Writing software is a matter of solving a problem with a given tool set. It's like trying to patent lego creations. If you have all of the building blocks, you can build anything you want with ease. You're not actually inventing anything, you're assembling building blocks in a certain way.

The fact that I can attack a certain software problem, follow the logical steps required to solve that problem, and then hit the roadblock of that solution being patented is downright horrifying. It's almost like trying to patent mathematical equations. It's silly.

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