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While I believe that code should be protected, it should ONLY be protected by copyright and not by patents... Almost all software patents which follow the form of "A process and/or method" should be tossed out. Unless someone is inventing a new processor chip or completely new computer processing method (e.g. multi-state logic), everything else is just using the hardware in differing manners. That should not be able to be patented in my understanding of the intent of patent law. Using the processor in new and different ways is still just using a processor. Regardless of how you structure the execution, there is nothing new there.

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