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Hello,

I'm excited to learn the the USPTO is re-examining software patents. Software is a unique form of text that, when patented, can stall innovation. Compare the ideas or scenarios in a book with features of software: when one author writes about a sunset, all other authors at still free to do so. But when an programmer patents a feature in software, suddenly other programmers can be prevented from implementing the feature as well.

Software is vastly different from many other forms of copy, and it would be beneficial to innovation and personal freedom if they were halted.

Regards,

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