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They retard innovation in software and grant large incumbents overwhelming advantages based on the size of the legal team they can field rather than quality of the software.

Software is already adequately protected by copyright, and patents do nothing to foster innovation in that field, in fact they act as a brake on innovation in that much time and effort is wasted on the patent process, or coding around methods that someone claims.