

FAQ - If It's Such a Good Idea, It Should Have Already Happened!



Q: For more than a hundred years humankind has been developing programming languages and their tools. If this approach was viable, we would all be using it by now.

A0: There are still many exciting new developments in programming, innovation is still going strong!



A1:

Structural editing requires many changes at once, and we've already optimised a lot the local optimum of text-based programming. Departing it requires a large effort on many different fronts.



(continued on next slide)

FAQ - If It's Such a Good Idea, It Should Have Already Happened!

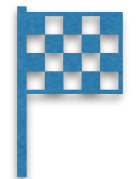
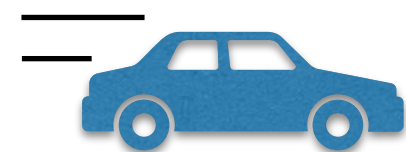
A2:

“Software has such high value that it obscures its costs.

Like when the guy running away from the bear doesn't need to be faster than the bear - he only has to run faster than his friend.

This is what we do - we don't have to exploit the full potential of software, we only have to be better than it was before, which wasn't that great.”

- Charles Simyoni



<https://youtu.be/4pT9tDmxjlg?t=17m20s>