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The paragraph below captures concisely where I think we now are in formulating a software "engineering" and accountability project. What do you think? If it seems to the mark, let me know. I will then write our lawyer downtown, Michael Loui in Urbana, Nancy Leveson, and Barry Boehm of the IEEE-ACM initiative (recommended by IIT's new development head, Tom Garrow). Your various clippings and articles have helped a lot:

Michael and I have identified two leading issues for a project on computer engineering and accountability. One has to do with the formation of a profession in a robust sense, interesting because of the educational tension between *electrical engineering* and computer science. The other is the division of labor between technical standards or procedures and ethical standards for computer "engineers."

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