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What role, if any, ought the computer programmer play in the ethical considerations of new software?

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Abstract

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Introduction

Today, the profession with perhaps the single greatest societal reach and influence over humanity is that of the computer programmer. As of July 2022, there were more than five billion internet users world wide (63.1% of the global population) [1]. With this potential to influence the majority of humanity there comes a social responsibility that should not be taken lightly. It should be the software engineer acting as the main moral agent considering the impact of the new software just as engineers in other fields are held liable and accountable for their actions.

Accountability

Conclusion

References

1. Statista Research Department. Number of internet and social media users worldwide as of July 2022. September 2022.