No Silver Bullet Response

No Silver Bullet is an interesting article that examines if there will ever be a “silver bullet”, or something to make software engineering many times easier. The author examines the many different advances that have been made in software engineering. Many things have changed, and yet no silver bullet has been found.

Software engineering is difficult. It takes a lot of hard work and the process is long and even when an abundance of time is taken there is still no guarantee it will all work properly. Many things have come along that help, higher level languages, more techniques along with other things. With software engineering the programming aspect is not the hard part, it is the planning that is hard. If things are no programmed right, then the pieces when put together will not work. I believe that this is something that will never get easier. It is always going to be hard, we may get better at it, but we will never be perfect.

The article is very informative and has a lot of interesting things, few of which have changed from when the article was first written. There has never been a silver bullet for software engineering, and this article has convinced me that there never will be one.