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> > *Exhaustion and testing by algorithm is not so formal. The computer has to be trusted to be doing the right task. I don't know about yours, but my computer is not to be trusted at the best of times. Let alone the software I write...*

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> *Von Neuman proved that an arbitrarily reliable automaton could be constructed from unreliable parts, as long as the errors were statistically independent.*

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> *If you want high reliability go to an engineer. If you want certainty, go to church.*

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Perhaps they're not so different. Engineers did invent "Plug and Pray" technology.