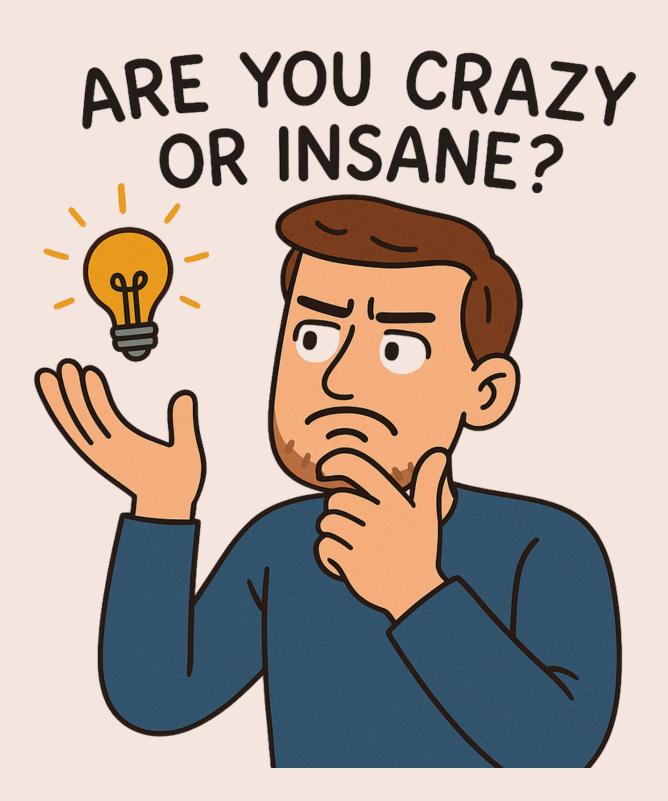


Let's make a new startup with AI. Finally, I don't need programmers. Fuck yeah



Tools like vO, Cursor, Windsurf can generate apps rapidly and amazingly, but...

- Have you thought about **security**?
- How do you want to version control?
- What about optimization, deployment, or architecture?
- Are you considering cost management and licenses?

These software engineering essentials can't be ignored!

It's quite a responsibility. I just want to have fun.

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- **Keep API keys secret:** Never hardcode keys in your app. Store secrets in environment variables or a free secrets manager to keep them safe. 1Password has some interesting features that are worth looking at!
- Scan for vulnerabilities: Run a free Snyk scan (or enable GitHub Dependabot) to catch known security flaws in your code/dependencies early.
- HTTPS everywhere: Always serve your app over HTTPS. Tools like Let's Encrypt give free SSL certificates!
- Lock your accounts: Enable 2-factor authentication on critical services (GitHub, cloud platforms, AI tools etc.). It's free and prevents easy hacks on your accounts.
- Set hard budget limits in all tools that charge for usage, like Chat-GPT. It might save you a lot of money!



Version Control

- **Stop emailing zip files:** Use Git for version control. It tracks every change so you can undo mistakes and never lose code again.
- Free cloud backup: Push your code to GitHub or GitLab (free private repos) for safekeeping. If your laptop crashes, your code stays safe in the cloud.
- Branch for safety: Experiment on a new branch instead of directly on main. Merge when it's working, or delete it if not – no harm done to your main codebase.
- GitHub Desktop helps: If the command line scares you, use the free GitHub Desktop app. It's a point-and-click way to commit, push, and pull code – no terminal needed. Most coding editors have already build-in graphic interface for GIT.
- Automate testing & deploys: Use GitHub Actions (free) to run checks or deploy your app on every push. Automation catches issues early and saves manual effort.



- **One-click hosting:** Deploy your app on platforms like Railway Vercel. You just push code and chill.
- No server? No problem: <u>Firebase</u> offers hosting, database, and auth with a free plan. Great way to get backend features without managing any servers.
- Static site hero: Use Netlify, Vercel, or GitHub Pages for a static website or frontend app. They're free – just connect your repo or drop your files to go live.
- Continuous deploy: Link your code repo to your host (Railway, Vercel, etc.). Every time you push changes, the service autodeploys your app. No more manual uploads!
- Serverless functions: Need a bit of backend logic? Use cloud functions on a free tier (Firebase Functions, Vercel, Netlify, AWS, GCP, Azure). Your code runs on demand.





- Split project into smaller tasks Easier to manage, debug, and parallelize.
- Write detailed documentation first Force model/agent to follow it. Include goals, edge cases, and examples.
- Monitor token and compute costs Large files or loops can explode usage. If your app is using AI, then integrate your app with LangSmith or a similar observability tool.
- Limit workspace scope Restrict to relevant directories or files only for each task.
- Define clear input/output format Avoid ambiguity. Keep structure strict and predictable. Define all details and rules in each prompt.
- Use isolated test cases Help the model validate logic stepby-step. Ask the model to create tests according to BDD (Behavior Driven Development).
- Fail fast, retry smart Catch issues early, and design fallback or retry logic.



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// Got questions? Ideas? Bugs to report?
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