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The Linux Kernel Mailing List (LKML) came alive on Thursday when Linus Torvalds chose to write, in a discussion about the risks of following specs without being flexible enough to take reality into account: "A 'spec' is close to useless. I have `_never_` seen a spec that was both big enough to be useful `_and_` accurate." The web is currently abuzz with the merits and demerits of this point of view.

As we always try and do, let's first look at exactly what Torvalds wrote:

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