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Subject: [Offtopic] Re: Strange problem

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- > The danger of IDL is that it allows people access to tools about which
- > they have no knowledge.
- > If the fact that floating point representations of numbers have limited
- > precision comes as a
- > shock, one can only wonder...

As far as I can tell the issue wasn't about limited precision. Unless its a fractional representation, \*any\* number is going to have a limited degree of precision (whether thats on paper or in the computer) - thats something you learn in high school.

The subtle issue of a floating point counter confusing the inequality operator in a loop isn't something thats obvious to everybody.

- > Is there an emoticon for "shudder in abject fear"?

No. However, there is an emoticon for when drink international roast coffee.

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it demonstrates the process of your mouth disintegrating in abject objection to the awful aroma that can only be INTERNATIONAL ROAST.

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| nbj@imag.wsahs.nsw.gov.au | phone: 0404032617 |..|--\ -moo |
| ICQ #: 2464537           | http://cow.mooh.org | |--|   |
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| international           |
| roast. my sanity has gone |
| its lost forever         |
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