
Subject: Re: [Offtopic] Re: Strange problem
Posted by [Paul van Delst](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2001 14:48:37 GMT
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Bhautik Joshi wrote:

>
>> 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.

I thought the point of subsequent replies was that it's NOT taught in high schools these days
.... at least sometimes it sure seems that way.

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