

## Re: Is zero even or odd?

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Kevin Aylward wrote:

> *vonroach wrote:*

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>> *On Mon, 20 Dec 2004 14:34:03 -0000, BB <BB@BB.BB> wrote:*

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>>> *The divisor would have to be something smaller than 0 like -2.*

>>> *Therefore zero is both even and negative.*

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>> *Whoa! A new concept: -0. Let's make up some other numbers. I suggest*

>> *wizzad and fugawe. I'd have suggested Arunda, but I believe some*

>> *obscure African group already uses that in their alphabet.*

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> *-0 often/usually signifies a limit approaching from the negative*

> *direction.*

But that is an indication of direction to approach from, NOT a sign on the zero. When approaching  $f(x)$  from  $-0$ , we are not somehow computing with "negative zero".

So while "-0" may have a defined meaning, it is certainly not

"negative zero".

This is getting too silly.

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