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in article <1111109097.735932.108970@o13g2000cwo.googlegroups.com>, <jstevh@msn.com> wrote:

> How exactly does one "rip on" a paper without regard to
> correctness? Aren't you frequently regaling us with your beliefs
> on how only truth matters in mathematics? How, then, can one "rip
> on" a correct paper?

| Easy. You just claim it's junk, or crap, and maybe focus on one piece
| of it, and take it out of context, and just say it's wrong.

| I've seen it done different ways, but it's clearly not hard.

| Posters will not go over the entire argument but pick a piece, and
| might claim to have their own proof refuting something, like the
| conclusion.

i hate it when that happens. just because someone finds a contradiction between something i claim to have proved and something with a one-line proof that they can see with their own eyes, they automatically assume that my proof must be erroneous. they should give equal weight to the two other possibilities, that the one-line proof might be erroneous, or that mathematics as we know it is inconsistent!

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