

Re: Q:About primes?

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Phil Carmody <thefatphil_demunged@xxxxxxxxxxxx> writes in article <87ace9k1cj.fsf@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> dated 06 Jan 2006 14:06:04 +0200:
>"Joseph Fagan" <noemailplease@xxxxxxxxxxxx> writes:
>> "Phil Carmody" <thefatphil_demunged@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> news:87irsxk45d.fsf@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>> > Dan <30pack@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> writes:
>> >> This prime below with 749 digits required 17+ hours to
>> >> establish its primality.
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>> > ...
>> >>
>> >> Whereas this prime below with 751 digits that is more
>> >> than 60 times the size of the above prime
>> >
>> > What on earth are you gibbering on about?
>> >
>> > A 751-digit prime is roughly 1.0026 times the size of a 749-digit number.
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>> > Phil
>> Eh?
>> $10^{751} / 10^{749} = 10^2$
>
>
>"You can lead a horse's ass to knowledge, but you can't make him think."
>- Bob Silverman

I don't recall the elder Bob responding to a straightforward semantic difference with insults.

—Keith Lewis klewis@mitre.org

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