

Re: Password for sci.physics: Problem of the Day

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>> Post a new and simple physics problem at 12:01 AM every day.
>> The answer should be numerical. Require that the answer be the
>> first item on the subject line of any post to sci.physics. Have the
>> news server allow access to sci.physicsonly for those posts with
>> the correct answer. The news server would remove the answer
>> from the header before publishing. Those with incorrect answers
>> would be posted to sci.physics_falsified_theories or some such.
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>> This would probably get rid of 95 % of the kooks on sci.physics.
>> Certain to get rid of the likes of OsherD, Nick, and EMy.
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>> Think of the benefits to sci.physics.relativity if the problems were
>> restricted to SR !
>>
>> [Old Man]

An interesting idea, but I don't know how you would adjust for different levels of expertise.

Also, scientific progress has always involved a churning cauldron of kookyness, from which truth somehow emerges.

I myself may even be a crank, but at least I know some calculus, and I try to be polite & even solicit criticism because maybe my ideas really are wrong. I have no way of knowing unless I keep on chipping away at it.

But when you consider someone like James Harris, it seems that restrictions are in order. The man has been posting nonsense for over 5 years, with the explicit intent of wasting people's time. It is an act of academic sabotage.

- **References:**

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- ◇ *From:* Old Man

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- ◇ *From:* The Ghost In The Machine

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