

You'd think the number 3.3 recurring (i.e. a third) would 'break' the universe as surely nothing can be infinite. Well maybe it isn't infinite, as I'll explain. And maybe there is a number so crazy, so awful, so terrifying that it does indeed break the universe. Simon's number doesn't, thank God, I'm relieved not just because if it did I'd feel guilty but others would be super mad at me too. So yeah, is 3.3 recurring REALLY infinite? I'm just saying if you can predict with 100% confidence how such a 'hard to comprehend and mysterious' number will end (in a 3) how can it be everlasting? In contrast, I can't imagine eating pizza forever, even if it does sound amazing. What number IS that terrible, then? They say pi is infinite, but if that were true, why call it pi? Ever seen a pie (a different spelling but pronounced the same) that lasts forever? If the number really lasted until the end of time, it should be named either 'water' or 'diamond'. I'm just saying water can't be destroyed and diamonds famously last forever as a song has been written about that. A song inspired by a cool fact? I think it works. Similarly, there are many songs I listen to that admire how tough metals such as iron and steel are. You know what? Steel and iron IS tough. Definitely something to remember.

It's like me inventing a number called 'cake' (or 'cayk') and claiming it lasts forever. Er... bull (expletive!) I could try and write out a number that lasted that long but after the thousandth digit or so, I'd get tired and give up. Don't get me wrong, a number with that many digits IS big, just not that big. 666 doesn't break the universe even though it is famously evil, 13 doesn't and neither does the super evil 1366613. So how about a billion fours? Those familiar with number theory will know that means an unbelievable amount of pointlessness, it would certainly break me. You know what? Maybe I should stop trying to break the universe. OR... by warning others of the danger am I saving it?? Here's some advice that I think is pretty good at very least: Don't say the evil 6 too much. Sure there are times when saying it is unavoidable (for example when answering the question 'which number should be destroyed') but you will be completely forgiven by me at least if instead of saying 6, you say three plus three. (Freedom plus freedom? Wonderful).

If I can't work out what number blows everything up so I can actively avoid such a number, maybe I can figure out what number will save the universe? Just in case I've given readers some awful ideas. Giving pi or pie to the universe will surely help things, contrary to what many will believe. I'm always welcome to the idea of people giving me any kind of pie, it really is very much appreciated. Unless it is so sugary it triggers a diabetic coma, I mean. You'd think a pie containing nothing but sugar would be too sweet to enjoy, but believe me I like pretty much all desserts. Maybe that's how pi/pie could destroy the universe, give it medical problems? No. I've said pi doesn't destroy everything and I'm sticking to that. Maybe a palindrome could save the universe, simply because they look cool? I think the code to launch nukes was 00000000 and that's a palindrome. Not the most varied sure, but there is a beauty to its simplicity. How can such a number be bad, then? Well, number theory is one tough subject. Even I don't fully get it and I made it up.

To conclude, maybe numbers can't actually blow the universe up. Maybe a couple of words so depressing could make the universe WANT to blow up (i.e. 'stupid universe'), but even then I think that's unlikely. The universe is super ultra massive and filled with incredible things and therefore I think it can handle being called stupid. It probably won't LIKE it, but there is surely no reason to be concerned. I hope no

one is thinking 'that Simon's gone mad, he keeps obsessing how to destroy absolutely everything...' Not true at all, I was thinking of numbers as I often do at the gym, and then I got the idea for this monologue. That's all. :) Maybe subconsciously I was thinking of blowing everything up because the people there were annoying me? That could be true, but having thought very deeply, I don't think it is. Which is good. And on that very safe and peaceful note... Bye!