Subject: Re: Intelligent design vs Evolution Posted by Dover on Sun, 06 Mar 2011 21:24:11 GMT

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Altzan wrote on Sun, 06 March 2011 11:14CarrierII wrote on Sun, 06 March 2011 09:36You missed the point entirely, ask any engineer if they'd have designed a camera with 4 different sets of leads (nerves) to control it, they'll say no - because one set can do it just fine. This disproves that, if a designer exists, they are intelligent. (Unless you now posit that said designer is also a troll, which is unlikely, and requires proof)

What rule says something made isn't intelligently made if it's not in its simplest form?

Not necessarily simplest, but with thoughtfulness. Having random shit that serves no purpose (Four nerves, just cuz) cobbled together is not intelligent.

You could say that the designer operates on a level of intelligence far beyond our understanding ("God moves in mysterious ways", or whatever), but that's a pretty big supposition without any evidence to support it. To that, you could say it's all a matter of faith. But that's not what the Intelligent Design idea is all about (I almost called it a theory, but that would confuse poor R3)