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Forecasting! The job of forecasting the weather is, in general, to answer the questions: "will it rain tomorrow?" and "will it be warmer or colder?" That weather organizations attempt to answer these questions (which they do) is the popular justification for their existence. In the past the best forecasters were men who learned how to do it by experience, and some of the most learned and notable meteorologists never became good forecasters. Now, however, forecasters have learned how to apply mathematical methods to certain phases of the problem, and possibly may use them more in the future when they will have learned how to apply machine-calculators to the job. -----