

Re: Is this math test too easy?

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Herman Rubin writes:

> *Who doesn't need it?*

Almost anyone who _isn't_ a physics or engineering student, which covers most of the population.

> *I agree about the useless, irrelevant material. So get rid of that.*

That's what I've been advocating.

> *At this time, probability and statistics has become higher mathematics.*

Most of it, yes.

> *However, any intelligent decision making under uncertainty requires these, and not the current teaching of computational methodology.*

It doesn't require any formal training in probability or statistics. Even a grade-school understanding is sufficient. Indeed, even an intuitive understanding may suffice.

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