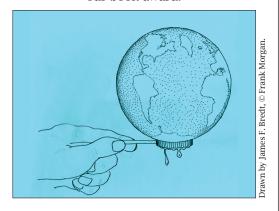
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The June/July Contest Winner Is...

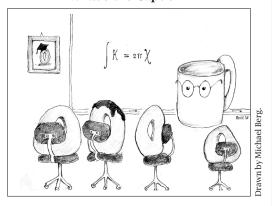
Robert Cohen, who receives our book award.



Handle with Care!

The October Caption Contest:

What's the Caption?



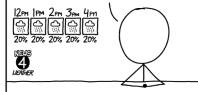
Submit your entry to captions@ams.org by October 25. The winning entry will be posted here in the December 2018 issue.

"What has been affirmed without proof car also be denied without proof." —Euclid

Meteorologist

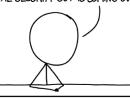
OUR FORECAST SAYS THERE'S A 20% CHANCE OF RAIN FOR EACH OF THE NEXT FIVE HOURS.

HOW LIKELY IS IT TO RAIN THIS AFTERNOON? IT'S A SIMPLE QUESTION, BUT I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER. IS EACH HOUR INDEPENDENT? CORRELATED? OR IS RAIN GUARANTEED AND WE'RE JUST UNSURE OF THE TIMING?

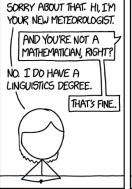


IT SAYS "SCATTERED SHOWERS." IS THIS THE CHANCE OF RAIN *SOMEWHERE* IN YOUR AREA? HOW BIG IS YOUR AREA? WHAT IF YOU HAVE TWO LOCATIONS YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT?

I'VE ASKED MANAGEMENT, BUT THEY'VE STOPPED ANSWERING MY EMAILS, SO—HANG ON, THE SECURITY GUY IS COMING OVER.







IT MIGHT RAIN THIS AFTERNOON.

BUT WHAT IS "IT" HERE? IS IT
A TRUE DUMMY PRONOUN, AS
IN THE PHRASE "IT'S TOO BAD?"

OR IS THE WEATHER AN ENTITY?

ALSO, WHAT IF'I SAY "IT'S HOT OUT, AND GETTING BIGGER?"



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