

How Science Works

And What Doesn't Work

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Scientific Method

Science is not a linear process.

The common Scientific method is an oversimplification.

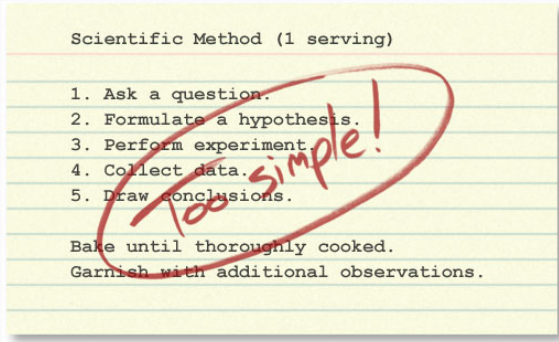


Figure 1: The myth of the step-by-step science recipe. [1]

Then... How Does Science Actually Work?

Science revolves around four interconnected cores:

- **Observation** – Gathering data from the world.
- **Testing** – Evaluating Hypotheses.
- **Feedback** – Refining and adjusting ideas with the Community.
- **Applications** – Using scientific knowledge for Society.

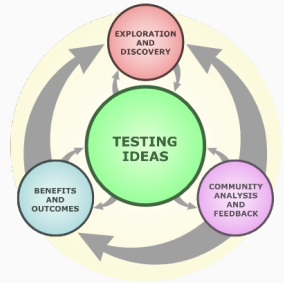


Figure 2: Interconnected nature of scientific processes.
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The Main Core: Testing Ideas

The heart of science is **testing ideas**.

Through experimentation and analysis, hypotheses are refined, rejected, or strengthened.

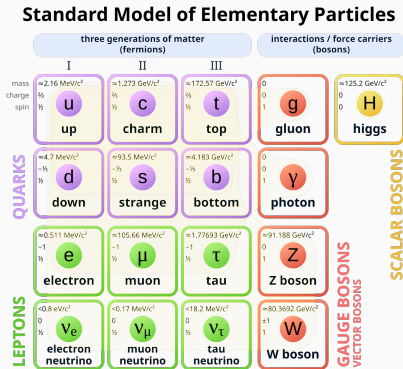


Figure 3: Elementary Particles of the Standard Model. [2]

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