A number of philosophers have recently put forward arguments pro or contra various rules for scoring the accuracy of probability estimates. In doing so, they have skipped over a potentially important consideration in making such assessments, to wit, that the hypotheses whose probabilities are estimated can approximate the truth to different degrees. It is argued that taking into account closeness to truth is not only recommendable from a theoretical perspective, but can also have great practical significance. Once the practical side of scoring is recognised, however, it perspries that the question of how to assess probability estimates is heavily dependent on context.

Alle Interessierten, insbesondere auch Studierende, sind herzlich eingeladen.

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