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Applied Mathematics in Nazi Germany.

Three principal areas could be thought of as applied mathematics under the Nazis. One was aerodynamics, or, more generally, the connection between mathematics and mechanics, a second was the use and improvement of calculating machines, and a third was the use of statistics. I shall address briefly the first two. With respect to these, applied mathematics was apparently not taken very seriously in Nazi Germany until perhaps a speech by Goebbels in July 1943 about the role of the intellectual worker in the battle for the fate of the nation. (Received September 13, 2006)