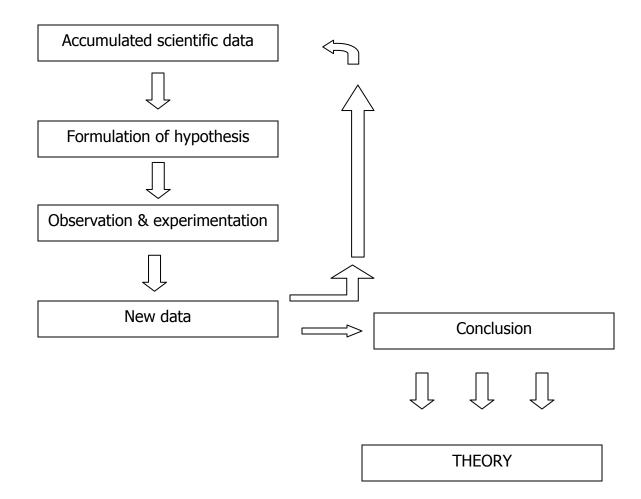
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Study questions 10 - 12, page 15 [polar bear]

- 10. The ultimate goal of science is to understand the natural world in terms of THEORIES [concepts based on the conclusions of experiments and observations].
- Figure 1.8, page 12 redrawn below.
 DEDUCTIVE reasoning: Occurs when you make an "If ..., then" statement. You state an explanation then test out your explanation.
 INDUCTIVE reasoning: Occurs when you make observations and then invent an explanation for why they occur.



12. controlled experiment →An experiment having a "normal" group to compare to.
 experimental variable: whatever is being tested.
 dependent variable: The result or change being noted.

Objective questions 7 – 10, page 16 [Polar Bear] & 11 – 15 [Otter]

- 7. Scientists use **<u>DEDUCTIVE</u>** reasoning to formulate hypotheses.
- 8. Very often, the next step after formulation of the hypothesis is **EXPERIMENTING** a type of testing that usually includes a control.
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- 14. (a) Dyed bacteria live despite exposure to UV light [which normally kills that type of bacteria.
 - (b) If dye offers bacteria some protection from UV light, then dyed bacteria will not die when exposed to UV light.
 - (c) The bacteria in BOTH plates die when exposed to UV light.
 - (d) The dyed bacteria DID die, so it is NOT true that dye offers bacteria some protection from UV light.
- 15. Scientists try to be objective; therefore, they prefer <u>MATHEMATICAL</u> data.

Critical thinking questions 1.1 # 1 and 2 [Otter]

- 1. ...because it is not possible to actually test it out to see if it is false.
- 2. ...because one COULD design an experiment to see if the idea is false or not. It DOES depend on ones definition of "good health" however.