

*Paper returned*

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My dear George,

I have looked through your paper, without, of course, fathoming its subtleties, but with the general impression that what you have proved is right and reasonable.

Of course, you must be prepared to give infinite patience to making the mathematics perfectly to your satisfaction, and to publishing, for preference in a mathematical journal. That of the London Mathematical Society or the American Journal of Mathematical Statistics suggest themselves, though Sankya and Biometrika should also be considered. The point is to choose a form of publication which exposes your argument to the strictest possible scrutiny, for its general importance to statistical theory does really deserve this.

Of the journals I have mentioned two have editors, Wilks and Pearson, who will be personally reluctant, having more or less committed themselves to publish findings such as you have arrived at. I do not know now who edits the London Mathematical Society's Proceedings; it used to be Watson, an editor most impatient of explanatory introductions, though he really could take no exceptions to the short introduction which you have given. I think his ideal is to start with the words "It is known that if . . ." followed by multisuffix notation reaching to the bottom of the page. Anyway, I don't try to read it.

I am at present not sure whether the Part II Genetics course we have been preparing will come off next Michaelmas Term, or whether it will be postponed for a year. I do not think it can be postponed longer. I mention this as my Faculty Board have recommended the creation of a lectureship in the department specifically in connection with the work of these Part II courses.

Yours sincerely,