

30th April, 1954.

My dear Frank,

I have now managed to turn up a 3rd edition and there is no section 21.1 in it; the date was 1930. I rather forget what the circumstances were that led me to develop the distribution of the product of two or more independent probabilities, probably I just saw someone in Nature or elsewhere multiplying them together and taking the product as the level of significance of the combined values. I suppose the Pearsonians you refer to are interested in making some phony claim to priority.

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Of course I should like you to improve on this if you care to.

Sincerely yours,

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