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# What Data Science Brings to the Table



Daily wind patterns of Britain mapped by Francis Galton, *Meteorographica* (1863).

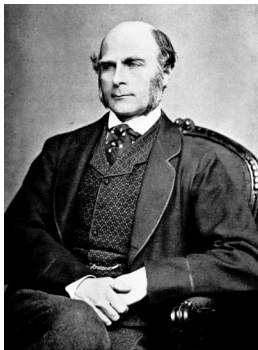
“...by drawing diagrams, and by countings. This much suffices to give a correct idea of the **distribution** of any given set of variables ; it is also sufficient to give a fair idea of the closeness of **correlation**, or of kinship, between any two sets of variables.”

– **Francis Galton** in a letter to the editor of *The Times* on *Alcoholism and Offspring*.

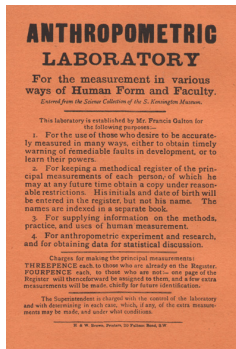
# An Odd History of Data Exploration

Sir Francis Galton opened an anthropometric laboratory to

*“show the public the simplicity of the instruments and methods by which the chief physical characteristics of man may be measured and recorded.”*



Sir Francis Galton (1822 – 1911) in the 1850s.

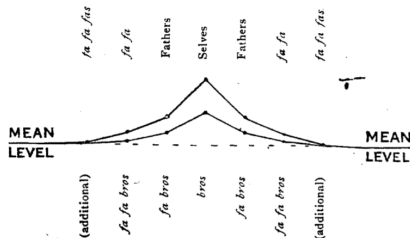


Flyer advertising the Anthropometric Laboratory.

# Francis Galton's Fingerprint on Data Science

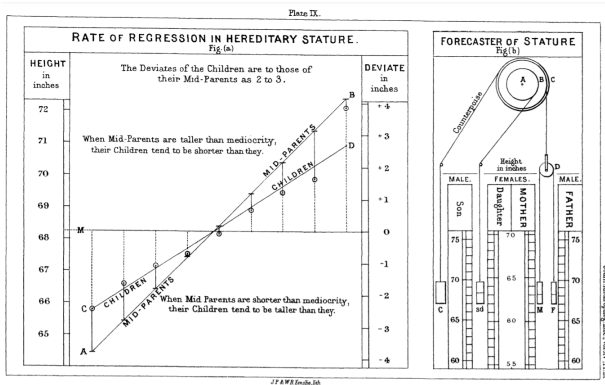
- Penchant for counting and measuring.
- Founded the biometric approach to the study of heredity.
- Taught and founded *Biometrika* with Karl Pearson.
- Introduced the concepts:
  - ▶ **standard deviation;**
  - ▶ **correlation;**
  - ▶ **regressions.**

*Distribution of Success in the Families of Successful Men  
(from Table III.)*



*Distribution of Successes and of Natural Ability  
Among the Kinsfolk of Fellows of the Royal  
Society (1904).*

## Francis Galton's Work



An application of regression and prediction by Francis Galton in *Anthropological Miscellanea* (1886).

- Created a dataset of 9,337 respondents, each measured in 17 categories.
- After applying the linar regression to sweat peas, Francis Galton applied regressions to the human data.

# An aside on studying

*Weekly Evening Meeting* By Francis Galton  
*On Men of Science, their Nature and their Nurture*

- Not tied down to old courses of classics and mathematics.
- Sufficient groundwork in many subjects to avoid error.
- Early introduced to many subjects of interest.
- A well-balanced education, including **chemistry**, **botany**, **logic**, and **political economy**.
- A variety of subjects, and attention to details.
- Coming in contact with persons of every rank and sitting in the same form.



**Thank you for coming.**

### Lessons of the Day

- Measurements vary.
- Exploring your data is an critical, yet often overlooked, step in gleaming insights.