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Dear Buchanan Smith,

The formulae you want are two of those given in my letter of December 20th.

$$(ii) \text{ Sum of } pq \text{ values of } (x_p - y_q)^2 \\ = pq(\bar{x} - \bar{y})^2 + p \sum (y - \bar{y})^2 + q \sum (x - \bar{x})^2.$$

(iii) Sum of $\frac{1}{2}p(p-1)$ squares of differences within a single group of p values is

$$p \sum (x - \bar{x})^2.$$

I do not think a negative correlation is theoretically possible, because all the correlations are intraclass. The new data for unrelated pairs may have given a better absolute value, but not a better one in relation to the other groups; alternatively your group of Sire - Paternal $\frac{1}{2}$ brother, Dams - not sisters, is not big enough.

Yours sincerely,