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Dear Jeffreys,

Haldane is now at Rothamsted. I showed him your paper, and enclose his remarks.

I imagine your point is not so much that the particular problem of the negative binomial is more easily solved using your modified χ^2 than in other ways, but that, in examining any body of data, discrepancies will appear suggesting a more elaborate formulation involving new parameters, in which modified χ^2 may be a good deal quicker than maximum likelihood.

I am sending back your paper in case you want to revise / anything.

Yours sincerely,

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