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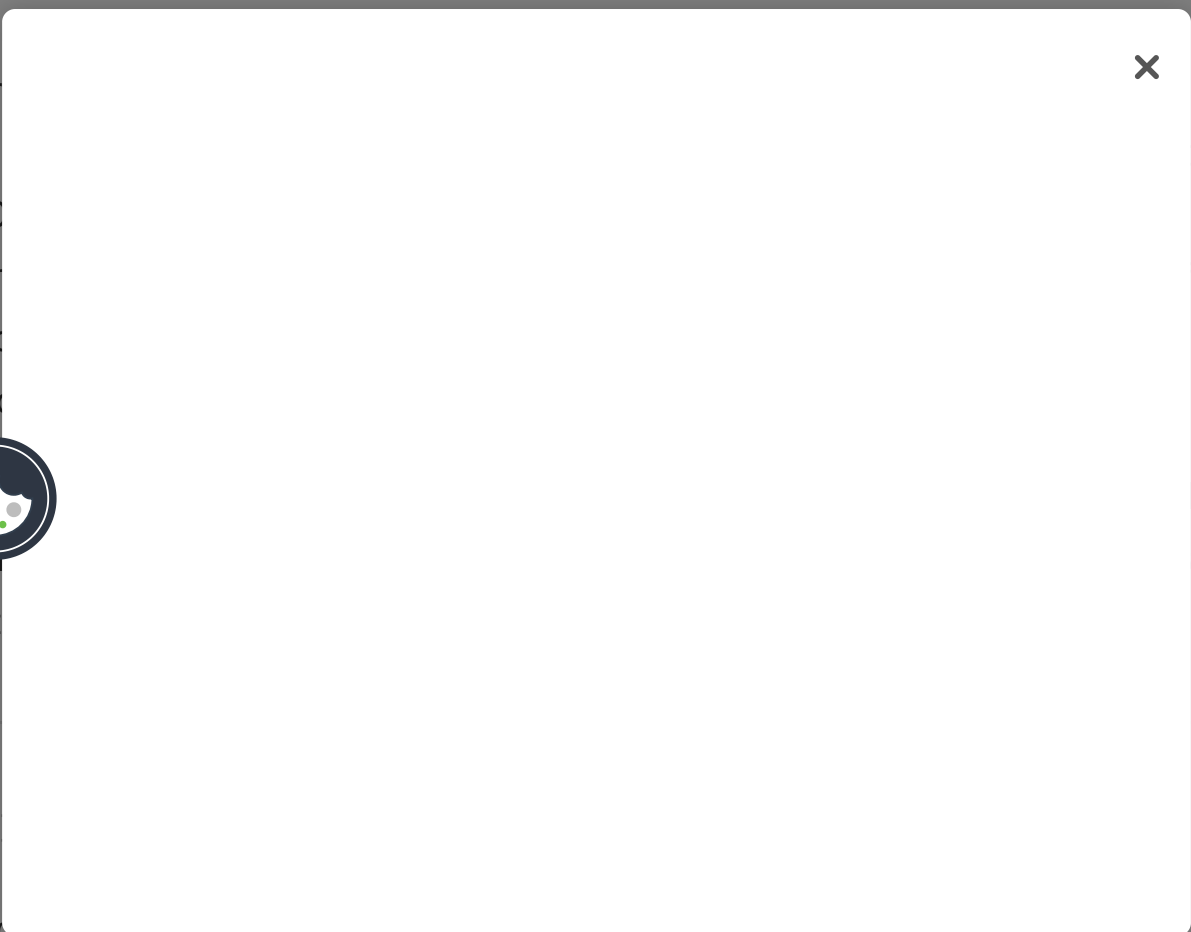


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Notes

1. The matrix treatment of correlation and scatter analysis was originally promoted by Frisch (1929).
2. The Guinness book of records and internet list some astonishing recently recorded feats of memory and mental arithmetic of the same genre as those demonstrated by Aitken. Daniel Tammet (an autistic savant) is said to have recited π to 22,514 digits in 5 hours 9 minutes and 24 seconds (Guinness World Records, 2005, p. 26). Colin Coates (a PhD student at Imperial College) multiplied two 13 digit numbers in his head at Imperial College records, 1995, p. 13. Coates' writing, is a record for a 13 digit number in 70 seconds.
3. The Guinness book of records is on the internet at <http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com>. The Guinness book of records is on the internet at <http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com>. The Guinness book of records is on the internet at <http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com>.



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