FMS1203S: Randomness in scientific thinking

Week 10

Tell us the story of Bernard Madoff based on the following material:

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Tell the story of Sally Clark based on the following material:

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