

## Why study bones ?



study of fossil man



racial classification in prehistory



biological comparison of prehistoric peoples with the present living descendents



burial patterns



#### ancient diseases causes of death



### forensic cases

### Physical anthropology

variation

evolution

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### forensic pathologists

forensic odontologists

homicide investigators

### positive identification

## Anthropometry



Somatometry



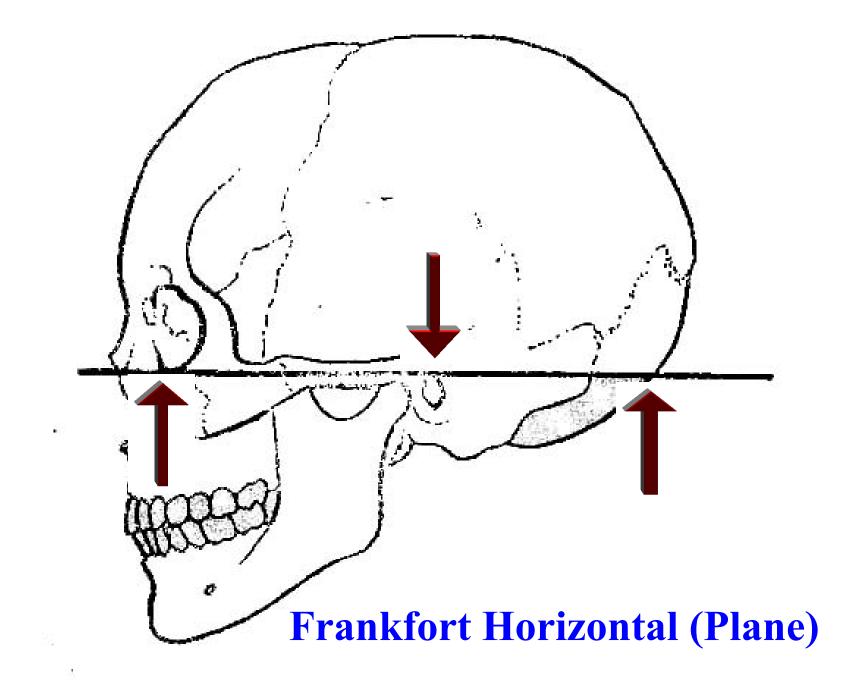
Cephalometry

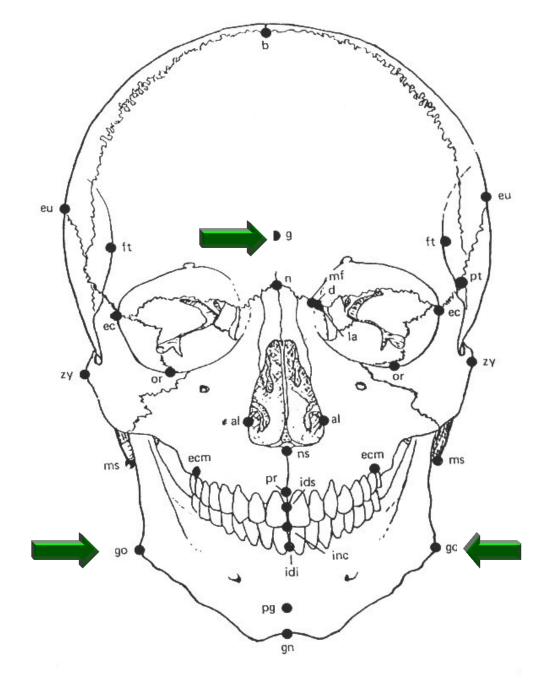


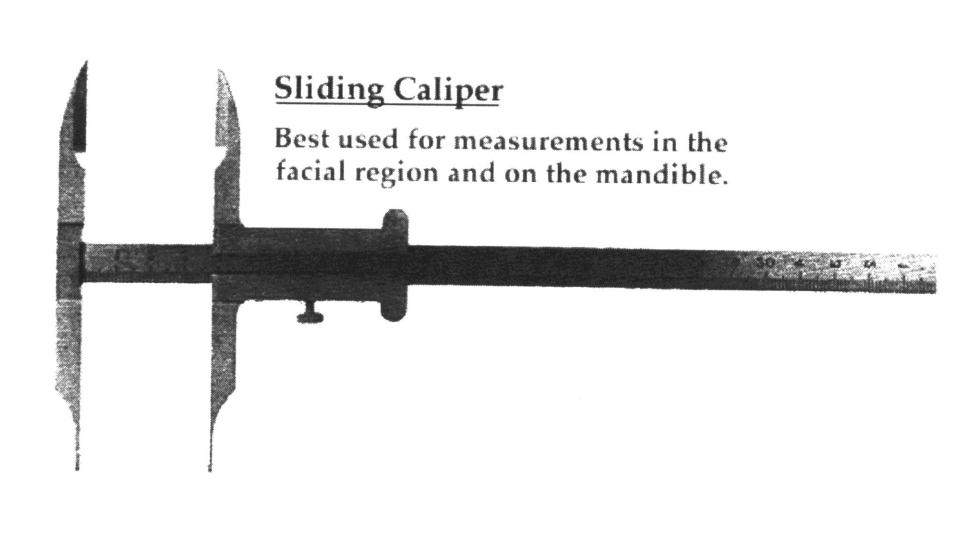
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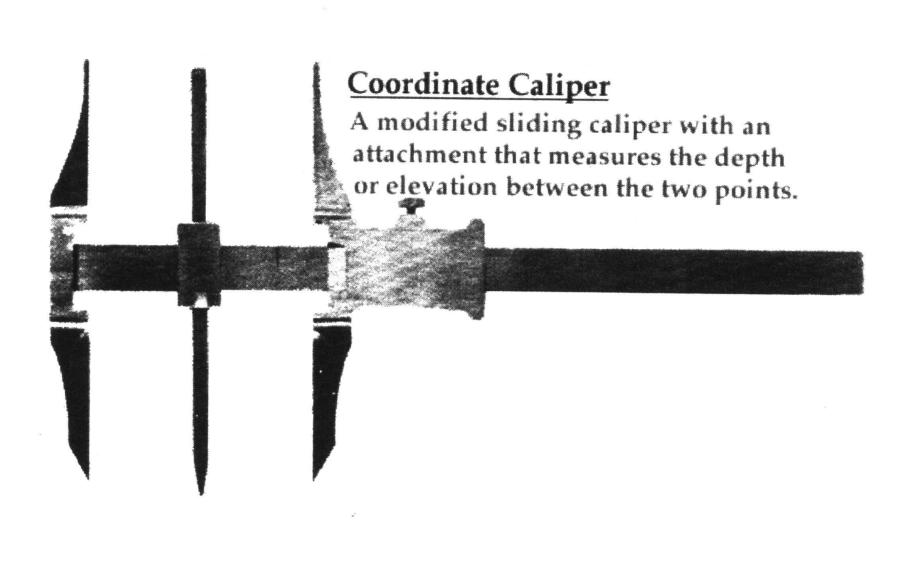


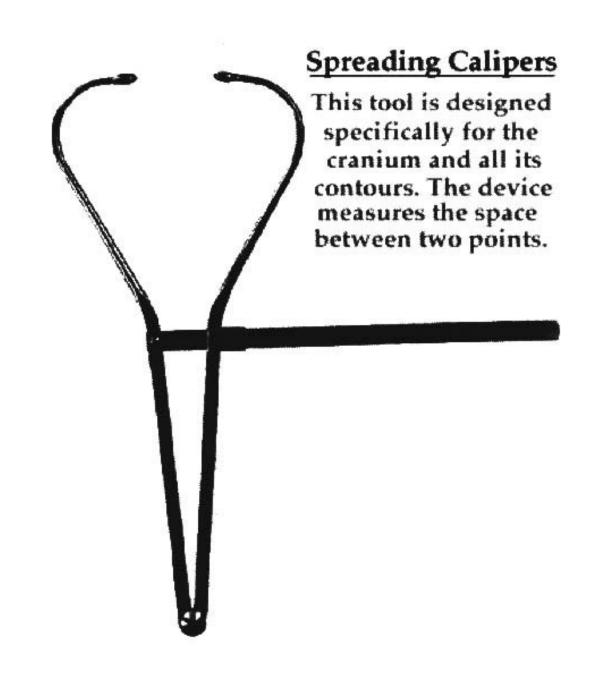
Craniometry

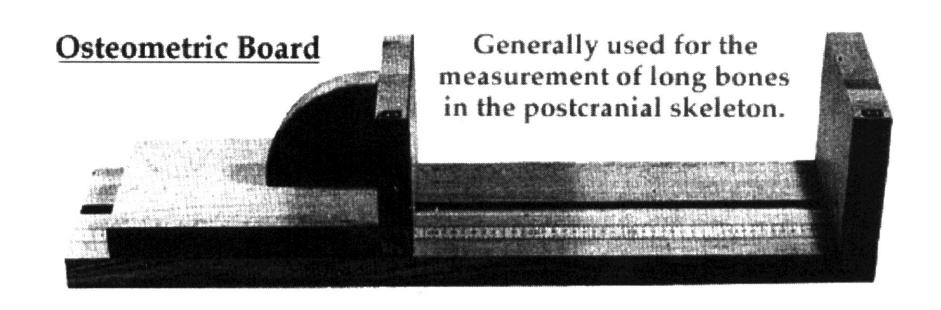






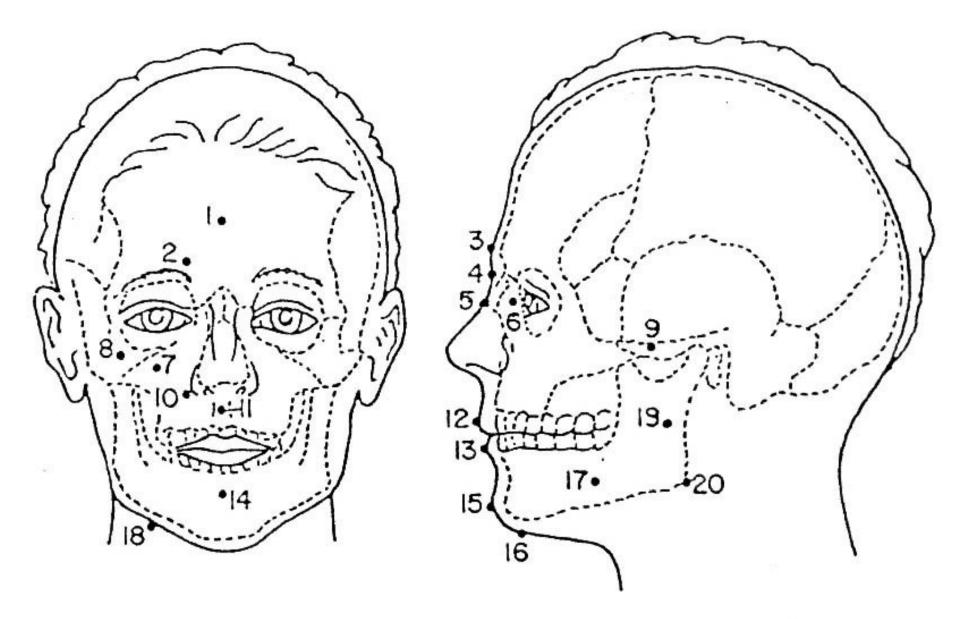






# X-rays

# Facial reconstruction

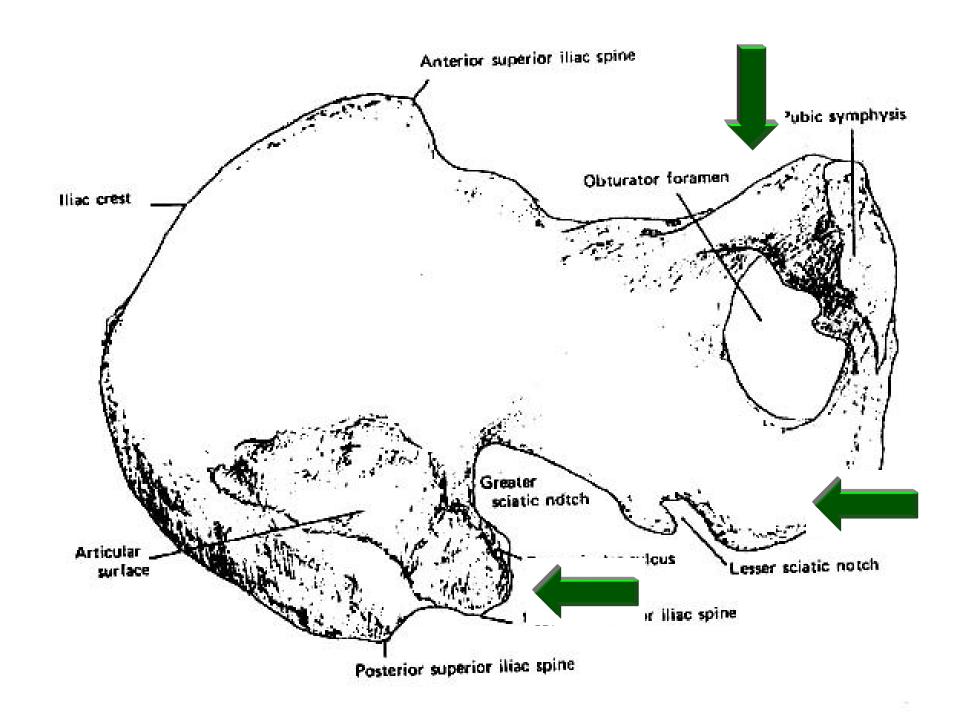


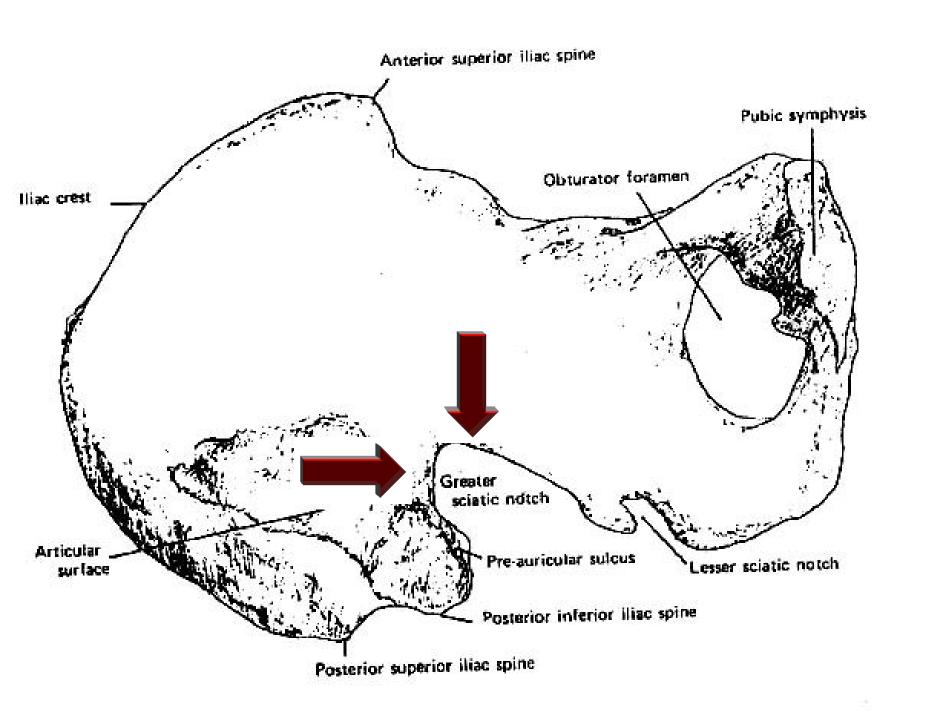
# Superprojection (superimposition)



Results of subprojection of the skull N 4 and two photographic portraits of Nikolai II

## Determination of sex





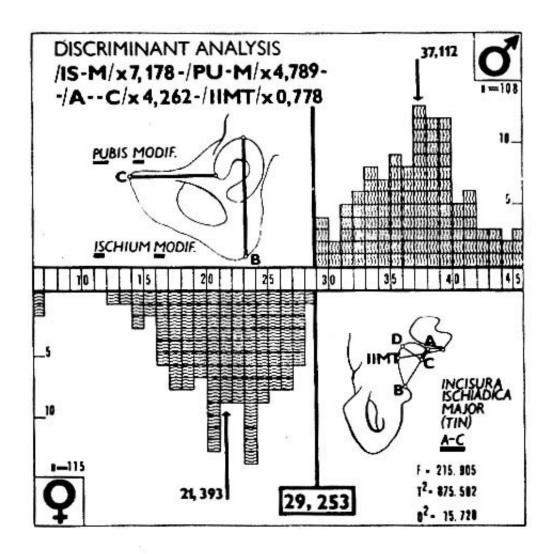
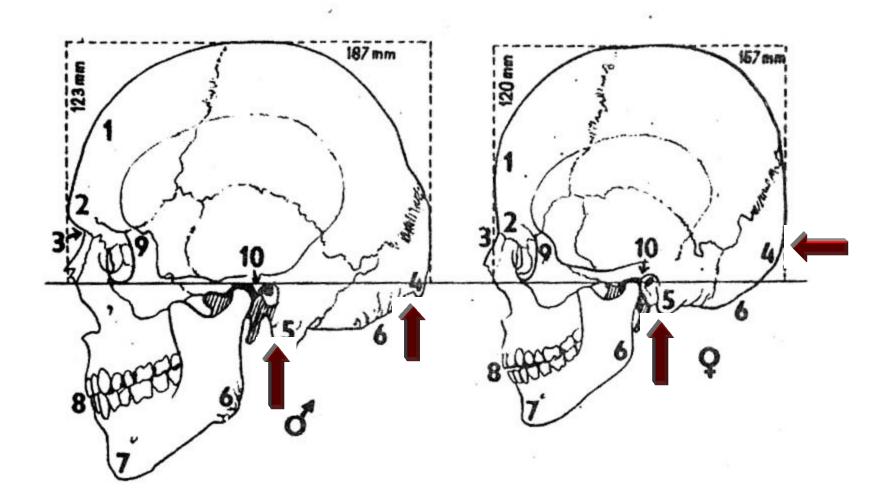


Fig. 3. Discriminant analysis based on the ischium-length (IS-M), the pubis-length (PU-M), the upper part of the breadth (A-C) and the height (IIMT) of "incisura ischiadica major" (Novotný 1975). Measuring - see "Recommendations for Age and Sex Diagnoses of Skeletons". Journal of Human Evolution 9: 517-549, 1980.

### Male Female Supraorbital Ridges Sharp Orbital Border slight Extreme Pronounced Muscle Attachments Large Canines Square Chin Round Chin



## Stature estimation

## Age estimation

### Subadult age estimation:



Tooth eruption



**Epiphyseal closure** 



Length of long bones without epiphyses

### Adult age estimation:



Pubic symphysis



Radiographical study



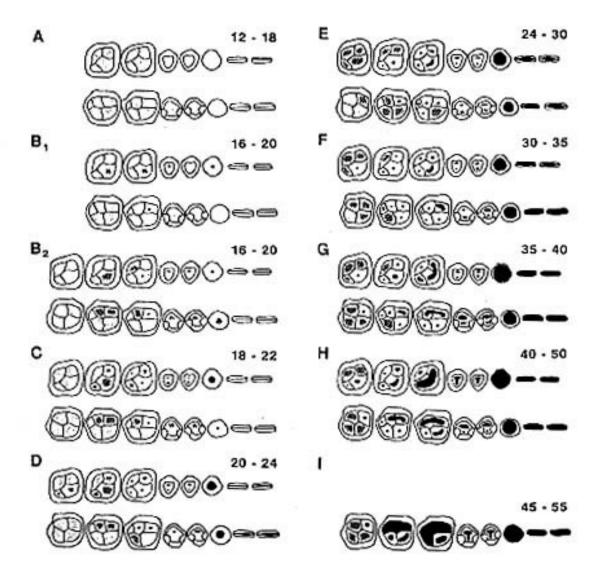
Sternal surface of clavicule



Skull sutures



**Teeth occlusion** 



# Disadvantages of "classical" forensic anthropology



Great variability



Unability to identify fragmental skeleton



Great subjectivity