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30 Abstract

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Introduction

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- 33 some general paragraph on the evolution of phenotypic diversity
- 35 when organisms colonize new and unique habitats, they are subjected to novel ecological selection pressures
- in those habitats. Often these selective pressures elicit changes in body form, as organisms adapt to their
- new habitats (examples: some comment on ecomorphs, etc.). . . . leads to so-called ecomorphs, with such
- well known examples in Anolis lizards, cichlid fishes, etc. It follows that ... Some comment on the fact that
- ³⁹ clades living in diverse ecological conditions often display greater diversity in form and function (REFS).
- 40 However, while the above patterns have been well documented in a variety of vertebrate taxa, what remains
- less known is how allometry plays a role in this phenotypic diversification. We know that XYZPDQ (about
- allometry). Then links to diversity..
- 43 The Afro-Arabian geckos in the genus *Pristurus* afford the opportunity to elucidate the interdigitating effects
- 44 of allometry and habitat specialization on clade-level patterns of phenotypic diversity. Prior work on this
- system (Tejero-Cicuéndez et al. 2021a) has revealed that ... (sentence or 2 about your prior study, getting
- to diversity and ... Importantly, ... something about habitat. What remains unexamined however, is
- 47 XYZPDQ...
- In this study, we ...

49 Materials and Methods

50 Data

Phylogenetic, ecological, phenotypic.... (describe briefly). Data from (Tejero-Cicuéndez et al. 2021a).

52 Statistical Analyses

- To test the hypothesis...
- Mancova body $\sim SVL*hab.gp$
 - PW of slopes, and inspected reg. coefficients to identify biological trends
- Visualized multivariate regressions via regression scores (sensu Drake and Klingenberg 2008) and predicted lines (sensu Adams and Nistri 2010)
 - Examine allometry phylogenetically.

- PLS of head vs. SVL and limb vs SVL. Obtained scores on 1st axis for each.
- within-species regressions of Head.sc \sim SVL & limb.sc \sim SVL; obtained regression coefficients (slopes)
- mapped slopes on phylogeny under BM and generated traitgrams to identify changes in allometric relationships across the phylogeny
- Finally, to link allometric patterns with trends in phenotypic diversification we obtained size-standardized species means, following procedures in H TC paper (residuals from phylo-regressions of traits on SVL, residuals). We then performed an ordination to obtain a phylomorphospace, where habitat types and species could be observed.

Results

Discussion

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Figures

Figure 1. Linear Measures

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Figure 2. Plot of regression scores and predicted lines representing the relationship between linear body measurements and size (SVL). Individuals occupying differing habitats are denoted by distinct colors as:

rock (beige), ground (dark purple), and tree (magenta).

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Figure 3. Traitgrams showing the evolution of body size (SVL) through time mapped on the phylogenetic

tree of *Pristurus*. Colors represent evolutionary mapping of

91 colored by (A) mapped by the discrete categories of presence in Socotra or the continent (left) and by

ecological specialization (right).

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Figure 4. Phylomorphospace

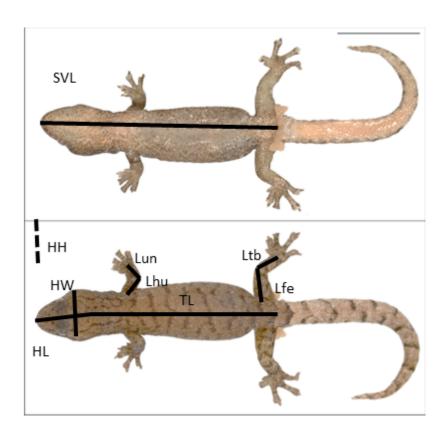


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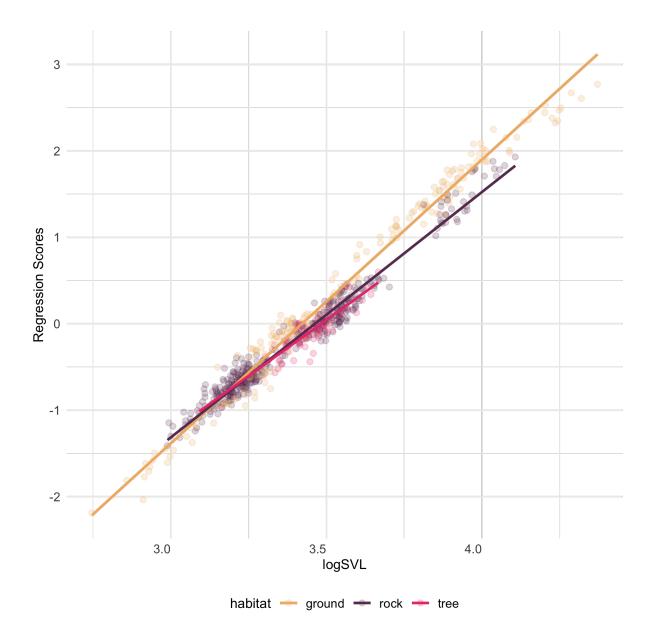


Figure 2: Plot of regression scores and predicted lines representing the relationship body proportions and body size (SVL). Individuals occupying differing habitats are denoted by distinct colors as: rock (beige), ground (dark purple), and tree (magenta).

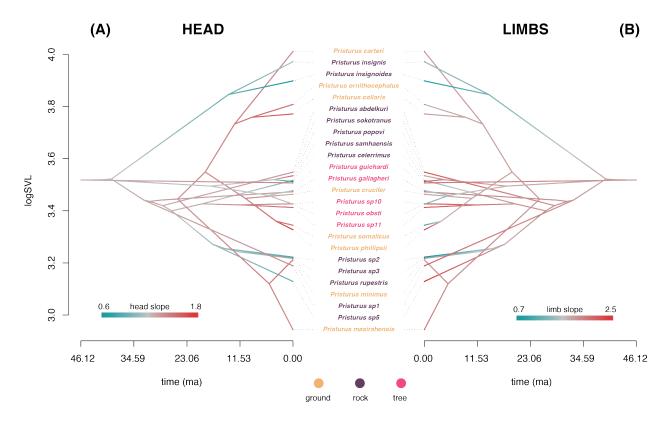


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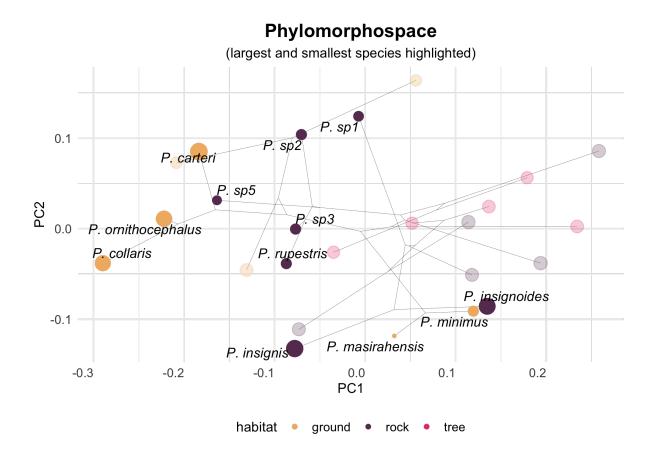


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