

# R-code for “No evidence of sex allocation among three sympatric plovers in Madagascar that vary in mating system”

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In this document we provide all the necessary code for reproducing the analyses presented in our paper. To access the dataset and Rmarkdown file, please download this GitHub repository. Simply follow the link and click on *Download ZIP* on the right-hand side of the page. An explanation of the files in the repository can be found in the Readme file. Please don't hesitate to contact Luke at [luke.eberhart\[at\]gmail.com](mailto:luke.eberhart[at]gmail.com) if you have any questions.

The structure of the code we present here follows the analyses presented in the *Results* section of the paper.

## Prerequisites:

- For running the complete code you need a **files** subfolder containing the raw data downloaded from **data** folder provided in the GitHub repository.
- The following packages are needed for analysis and can be easily installed from CRAN by uncommenting the **install.packages** functions:

```
# install.packages("dplyr")
# install.packages("lme4")
# install.packages("ggplot2")
# install.packages("RColorBrewer")
# install.packages("grid")
library(dplyr)
library(lme4)
library(ggplot2)
library(RColorBrewer)
library(grid)
```

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## Loading and wrangling data

To start, please load the following dataset into your R environment:

- **plover chick data** in which each row is a single chick.

```
plover_chick <-
  read.table(file = "data/plover_chick_data.txt",
            header = TRUE,
            stringsAsFactors = FALSE,
            sep = "\t")
```

Define the variables of the **plover\_chick** correctly: **easting** and **northing** need to be recognized as numeric, and **chickID**, **nestID**, **species**, and **year** need to be recognized as factors.

```
plover_chick[,c("easting", "northing")] <-
  lapply(plover_chick[,c("easting", "northing")], as.numeric)

plover_chick[,c("chickID", "nestID", "species", "year")] <-
  lapply(plover_chick[,c("chickID", "nestID", "species", "year")], as.factor)
```

Summarize the plover\_chick data such that each row represents data for a nest.

```
plover_nest <-
  plover_chick %>%
  dplyr::group_by(species, year, nestID) %>%
  dplyr::summarise(no_males = sum(male),
                  no_females = sum(female),
                  Year = first(year),
                  dateinseason = first(dateinseason),
                  easting = first(easting),
                  northing = first(northing),
                  brood_size = no_males + no_females,
                  prop_male = no_males / brood_size)
```

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## Do hatching sex ratios deviate from parity?

Linear regression mixed models for each species predicting deviation in hatching sex ratio while controlling for non-independence in siblings (i.e. random effect: nestID).

- Kittlitz's plover

```
KiP_HSR_model <- lme4::glmer(cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1| nestID),
                             data = dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "Kittlitz's"),
                             family = binomial)

summary(KiP_HSR_model)
#> Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Laplace
#> Approximation) [glmerMod]
#> Family: binomial ( logit )
#> Formula: cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1 | nestID)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "Kittlitz's")
#>
#>      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
#>   153.3   157.8   -74.6   149.3      70
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#>      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#> -1.49509 -0.07869 -0.07869  1.33771  1.33771
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name          Variance Std.Dev.
#> nestID (Intercept) 0          0
#> Number of obs: 72, groups: nestID, 72
#>
```

```
#> Fixed effects:
#>           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
#> (Intercept)  0.1112      0.1669   0.666   0.505
```

- Madagascar plover

```
MP_HSR_model <- lme4::glmer(cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1| nestID),
                           data = dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "Madagascar"),
                           family = binomial)
summary(MP_HSR_model)
#> Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Laplace
#> Approximation) [glmerMod]
#> Family: binomial ( logit )
#> Formula: cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1 | nestID)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "Madagascar")
#>
#>      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
#>    21.8    22.5     -8.9    17.8        9
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#>      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#> -0.4009 -0.4009 -0.4009  0.3341  1.0690
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name          Variance Std.Dev.
#> nestID (Intercept)  0          0
#> Number of obs: 11, groups: nestID, 11
#>
#> Fixed effects:
#>           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
#> (Intercept)  0.5596      0.4432   1.263   0.207
```

- White-fronted plover

```
WfP_HSR_model <- lme4::glmer(cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1| nestID),
                             data = dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "White-fronted"),
                             family = binomial)
summary(WfP_HSR_model)
#> Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Laplace
#> Approximation) [glmerMod]
#> Family: binomial ( logit )
#> Formula: cbind(no_males, no_females) ~ (1 | nestID)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_nest, species == "White-fronted")
#>
#>      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
#>    34.3    35.4    -15.1    30.3        11
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#>      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#> -1.1406 -0.2352 -0.2352  0.7478  0.8308
#>
#> Random effects:
```

```
#> Groups Name      Variance Std.Dev.
#> nestID (Intercept) 1.57      1.253
#> Number of obs: 13, groups: nestID, 13
#>
#> Fixed effects:
#>           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
#> (Intercept)  0.5887      0.5923   0.994    0.32
```

Summarize the `plover_nest` data such that each row represents a species.

```
plover_summary <-
  plover_nest %>%
  dplyr::group_by(species) %>%
  dplyr::summarise(n_chicks = sum(brood_size),
                  n_nests = length(prop_male),
                  mean = mean(prop_male),
                  SE = sd(prop_male) / sqrt(length(prop_male)),
                  lower_CI =
                    mean(prop_male) - (sd(prop_male) / sqrt(length(prop_male)) * 1.96),
                  upper_CI =
                    mean(prop_male) + (sd(prop_male) / sqrt(length(prop_male)) * 1.96))
```

Plot the species summary.

```
# draw the blank plot for the background
Figure_1_blank <-
  ggplot2::ggplot(data = plover_summary, aes(y = mean, x = species)) +
    theme_bw() +
    annotate("rect", xmin = 0, xmax = 6, ymin = 0, ymax = 0.5, alpha = 0.7,
             fill = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")[c(1)]) +
    annotate("rect", xmin = 0, xmax = 6, ymin = 0.5, ymax = 1, alpha = 0.7,
             fill = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")[c(2)]) +
    theme(text = element_text(colour = "white"),
          legend.position = "none",
          legend.background = element_rect(fill = NA),
          axis.title.y = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(0, 10, 0, 0)),
          axis.text.y = element_text(size = 10),
          axis.title.x = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(20, 0, 0, 0)),
          axis.text.x = element_text(size = 10),
          axis.ticks.x = element_blank(),
          axis.ticks.y = element_line(size = 0.5, colour = "white"),
          axis.ticks.length = unit(0.2, "cm"),
          panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
          panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
          panel.border = element_blank(),
          panel.margin = unit(0.75, "lines"),
          plot.margin = unit(c(0.5, 1.5, 0.5, 0), "cm")) +
    scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1), expand = c(0, 0)) +
    scale_x_continuous(limits=c(0, 6),breaks=c(0, 1, 2), expand = c(0, 0)) +
    xlab("Plover species") +
    ylab("Hatching sex ratio (proportion male)")

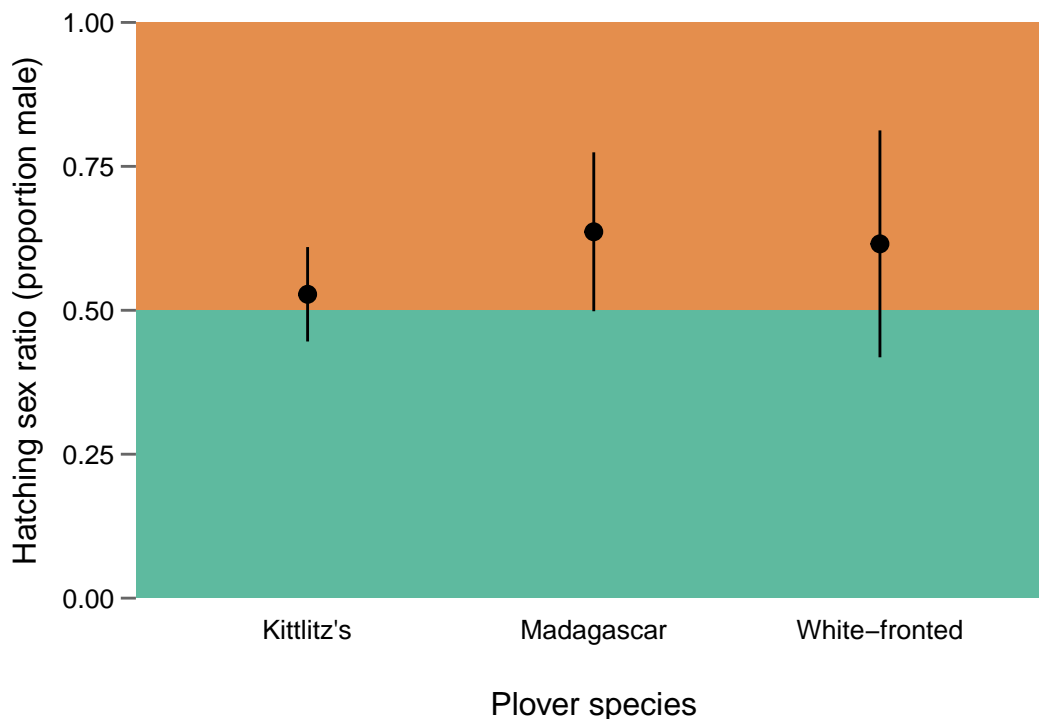
# draw the plot with the data
```

```

Figure_1 <-
  ggplot2::ggplot(data = plover_summary, aes(y = mean, x = species)) +
    theme_bw() +
    geom_pointrange(aes(ymin = lower_CI, ymax = upper_CI)) +
    theme(legend.position = "none",
          panel.background = element_rect(fill = "transparent", colour = NA),
          plot.background = element_rect(fill = "transparent", colour = NA),
          axis.title.y = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(0, 10, 0, 0)),
          axis.text.y = element_text(size = 10),
          axis.title.x = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(20, 0, 0, 0)),
          axis.text.x = element_text(size = 10),
          axis.ticks.x = element_blank(),
          axis.ticks.y = element_line(size = 0.5, colour = "grey40"),
          axis.ticks.length = unit(0.2, "cm"),
          panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
          panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
          panel.border = element_blank(),
          panel.margin = unit(0.75, "lines"),
          plot.margin = unit(c(0.5, 1.5, 0.5, 0), "cm")) +
    scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1), expand = c(0, 0)) +
    xlab("Plover species") +
    ylab("Hatching sex ratio (proportion male)")

# Print the two layers
grid::pushViewport(
  grid::viewport(
    layout = grid::grid.layout(1, 1, widths = unit(1, "npc"))))
print(Figure_1_blank, newpage = FALSE)
print(Figure_1, newpage = FALSE)
grid::popViewport()

```



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## Does hatching sex ratio vary seasonally or annually?

Linear regression mixed models for each species predicting annual and seasonal deviations in hatching sex ratio while controlling for non-independence in siblings (i.e. random effect: `nestID`).

- Kittlitz's plover

```
# Annual model
KiP_HSR_year <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + year,
              data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Kittlitz's"),
              family = binomial)

# Seasonal model
KiP_HSR_season <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + dateinseason,
              data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Kittlitz's"),
              family = binomial)

# No temporal effect model
KiP_HSR_null <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID),
              data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Kittlitz's"),
              family = binomial)

# Assess the effect of year
anova(KiP_HSR_year, KiP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Kittlitz's")
#> Models:
#> KiP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> KiP_HSR_year: male ~ (1 | nestID) + year
#>
#>      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> KiP_HSR_null  2 203.18 209.12 -99.591   199.18
#> KiP_HSR_year  5 205.68 220.53 -97.840   195.68 3.5016     3    0.3206

# Assess the effect of season
anova(KiP_HSR_season, KiP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Kittlitz's")
#> Models:
#> KiP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> KiP_HSR_season: male ~ (1 | nestID) + dateinseason
#>
#>      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> KiP_HSR_null  2 203.18 209.12 -99.591   199.18
#> KiP_HSR_season 3 204.62 213.53 -99.312   198.62 0.5587     1    0.4548
```

- Madagascar plover

```
# Annual model
MP_HSR_year <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + year,
```

```

    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Madagascar"),
    family = binomial)

# Seasonal model
MP_HSR_season <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + dateinseason,
    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Madagascar"),
    family = binomial)

# No temporal effect model
MP_HSR_null <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID),
    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Madagascar"),
    family = binomial)

# Assess the effect of year
anova(MP_HSR_year, MP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Madagascar")
#> Models:
#> MP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> MP_HSR_year: male ~ (1 | nestID) + year
#>
#>      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> MP_HSR_null  2 32.841 35.023 -14.421   28.841
#> MP_HSR_year  5 37.253 42.708 -13.626   27.253 1.5886    3    0.662

# Assess the effect of season
anova(MP_HSR_season, MP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "Madagascar")
#> Models:
#> MP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> MP_HSR_season: male ~ (1 | nestID) + dateinseason
#>
#>      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> MP_HSR_null  2 32.841 35.023 -14.421   28.841
#> MP_HSR_season  3 34.468 37.741 -14.234   28.468 0.3735    1    0.5411

```

- Madagascar plover

```

# Annual model
WfP_HSR_year <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + year,
    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "White-fronted"),
    family = binomial)

# Seasonal model
WfP_HSR_season <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID) + dateinseason,
    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "White-fronted"),
    family = binomial)

# No temporal effect model
WfP_HSR_null <-
  lme4::glmer(male ~ (1| nestID),
    data = dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "White-fronted"),

```

```

family = binomial)

# Assess the effect of year
anova(WfP_HSR_year, WfP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "White-fronted")
#> Models:
#> WfP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> WfP_HSR_year: male ~ (1 | nestID) + year
#>
      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> WfP_HSR_null  2 42.606 45.408 -19.303  38.606
#> WfP_HSR_year  4 43.114 48.718 -17.557  35.114 3.4922      2    0.1745

# Assess the effect of season
anova(WfP_HSR_season, WfP_HSR_null)
#> Data: dplyr::filter(plover_chick, species == "White-fronted")
#> Models:
#> WfP_HSR_null: male ~ (1 | nestID)
#> WfP_HSR_season: male ~ (1 | nestID) + dateinseason
#>
      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> WfP_HSR_null  2 42.606 45.408 -19.303  38.606
#> WfP_HSR_season 3 44.107 48.310 -19.053  38.107 0.4992      1    0.4798

```