# R-code for "Dancing in the moonlight: evidence that Killdeer foraging behavior varies with lunar cycle"

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In this document I provide all the necessary code for reproducing the analyses presented in my 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 me at luke.eberhart[at]gmail.com if you have any questions.

The structure of the code I 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\_files 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("gridExtra")
# install.packages("qqplot2")
# install.packages("RColorBrewer")
# install.packages("grid")
# install.packages("extrafont")
# install.packages("lme4")
# install.packages("AICcmodavg")
# install.packages("VGAM")
# install.packages("tidyr")
# install.packages("stringr")
# install.packages("scales")
# install.packages("multcomp")
# install.packages("Rmisc")
# install.packages("arm")
library(dplyr)
library(gridExtra)
library(ggplot2)
library(RColorBrewer)
library(grid)
library(extrafont)
library(lme4)
library(AICcmodavg)
library(VGAM)
library(tidyr)
library(stringr)
library(scales)
library(multcomp)
library(Rmisc)
library(arm)
library(reshape)
```

### Loading and wrangling data

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

- behavior data in which each row is a single observation of the behavior (i.e. foraging, roosting, alert, or preening) of an individual on a given date, time, and scan. Within each behavior, a "1" signifies the behavior the individual was engaged in, whereas a "0" signifies the behavior the individual was not engaged in.
- lunar data of the proportion of the moon's disk that was illuminated the preceding night of the date specified in each row.
- climate data for the maximum precipitation (mm) and minimum temperature (°C) recorded during the preceding 12 hours of each survey session.

```
setwd("/Users/Luke/Documents/Academic_Projects/Killdeer/Killdeer_R_Project/Data_files")
Behavior <- read.csv("behavior_data_raw.csv")
Lunar <- read.csv("lunar_data_raw.csv")
Climate <- read.csv("climate_data_raw.csv")</pre>
```

Summarize the Behavior data such that each row reveals the total number of individuals engaged in a given behavior on each scan.

Define the variables of the Behavior\_totals correctly. Date needs to be recognized as a date, Time needs to be a factor with the order: Sunrise, Midday, and Sunset, and the behaviors need to be numeric.

Create a Total variable in the dataframe which sums the total number of birds observed on each scan

```
Behavior_totals$Total <- rowSums(Behavior_totals[,c(4:7)])
```

Define the variables of the Climate dataframe correctly. Date needs to be recognized as a date, Time needs to be a factor with the order: Sunrise, Midday, and Sunset, and Min12Temp and Max12Precip need to be numeric.

Define the variables of the Lunar dataframe correctly. Date needs to be recognized as a date and PropMoon need to be numeric.

```
Lunar$Date <- as.Date(Lunar$Date, "%Y-%m-%d")
Lunar[,c("PropMoon")] <- as.numeric(Lunar[,c("PropMoon")])</pre>
```

Join the three dataframes by Date and Time to create a collated dataframe henceforth referred to as Killdeer. Order the data according to Date, Time, and Scan.

```
Killdeer <- dplyr::left_join(Behavior_totals, Climate, by = c("Date", "Time"))</pre>
Killdeer <- dplyr::left_join(Killdeer, Lunar, by = c("Date"))</pre>
Killdeer <- Killdeer[with(Killdeer, order(Date, Time, Scan)), ]</pre>
head(Killdeer)
#> Source: local data frame [6 x 11]
#> Groups: Date, Time [1]
#>
          Date
                   Time Scan Foraging Roosting Alert Preening Total
#>
         (date) (fctr) (int)
                                 (dbl)
                                          (dbl) (dbl)
                                                         (dbl) (dbl)
#> 1 2010-02-07 Sunrise
                          1
                                    11
                                             35
                                                   0
                                                             7
                                                                  53
#> 2 2010-02-07 Sunrise
                            2
                                    32
                                             24
                                                    0
                                                             5
                                                                  61
                                                    0
                          3
                                    30
                                             26
                                                             7
                                                                  63
#> 3 2010-02-07 Sunrise
#> 4 2010-02-07 Sunrise
                           4
                                    30
                                             25
                                                    0
                                                             8
                                                                  63
                                                             7
                                                                  58
#> 5 2010-02-07 Sunrise
                            5
                                    28
                                             23
                                                    0
                                             19
#> 6 2010-02-07 Sunrise
                            6
                                    35
                                                    0
                                                             7
                                                                  61
#> Variables not shown: Min12Temp (dbl), Max12Precip (dbl), PropMoon (dbl)
```

Subset dataset to include only scans that had at least one bird observed.

```
Killdeer <- dplyr::filter(Killdeer, Total != 0)</pre>
```

Create a Session variable that defines each unique visit to the study site

```
Killdeer$Session <- as.factor(paste(Killdeer$Date, Killdeer$Time, sep = "_"))</pre>
```

Create a Unique\_scan variable that defines each unique scan made

```
Killdeer$Unique_scan <- as.factor(paste(Killdeer$Session, Killdeer$Scan, sep = "_"))</pre>
```

Add variables describing the number of individuals not engaged in the focal behavior

```
Killdeer$NonForaging <- Killdeer$Total - Killdeer$Foraging
Killdeer$NonRoosting <- Killdeer$Total - Killdeer$Roosting
Killdeer$NonPreening <- Killdeer$Total - Killdeer$Preening
Killdeer$NonAlert <- Killdeer$Total - Killdeer$Alert</pre>
```

Check sample sizes for Date, Session, and Unique\_scan

```
length(levels(as.factor(Killdeer$Date)))
#> [1] 9
length(levels(as.factor(Killdeer$Session)))
#> [1] 22
length(levels(as.factor(Killdeer$Unique_scan)))
#> [1] 131
```

### Temporal variation in killdeer abundance

Linear regression mixed model predicting variation in abundance across time of day (i.e. fixed effect: Time, random effects: Unique\_scan, Session, Date).

```
Abundance_Time_model <-
lme4::glmer(Total ~

Time + (1| Unique_scan) + (1 | Session) + (1| Date),

data = Killdeer, family = poisson)
```

Calculate the post hoc Tukey contrast statistics

```
summary(multcomp::glht(Abundance_Time_model, mcp(Time = "Tukey")))
#>
#>
    Simultaneous Tests for General Linear Hypotheses
#>
#> Multiple Comparisons of Means: Tukey Contrasts
#>
#>
#> Fit: lme4::glmer(formula = Total ~ Time + (1 | Unique_scan) + (1 |
      Session) + (1 | Date), data = Killdeer, family = poisson)
#>
#> Linear Hypotheses:
                        Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
#>
#> Midday - Sunrise == 0 -0.3385 0.4702 -0.720 0.7509
                                    0.5191 -2.361
#> Sunset - Sunrise == 0 -1.2255
                                                     0.0476 *
#> Sunset - Midday == 0 -0.8870
                                   0.5508 -1.610 0.2401
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> (Adjusted p values reported -- single-step method)
```

Calcluste summary statistics of abundance across the three times of day, then plot (Figure 2 in the paper).

```
Abundance <- Rmisc::summarySE(Killdeer, measurevar = "Total", groupvars = c("Time"))

ggplot2::ggplot(data = Abundance, aes(x = Time, y = Total)) +

geom_bar(position = position_dodge(), stat = "identity", alpha = 0.5) +

geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = Total - ci, ymax = Total + ci),

width = .2, position = position_dodge(.9)) +

theme_bw() +

theme(axis.title.x = element_text(size = 14, vjust = -0.5),

axis.text.x = element_text(size = 13),

axis.title.y = element_text(size = 14, vjust = 1.5),

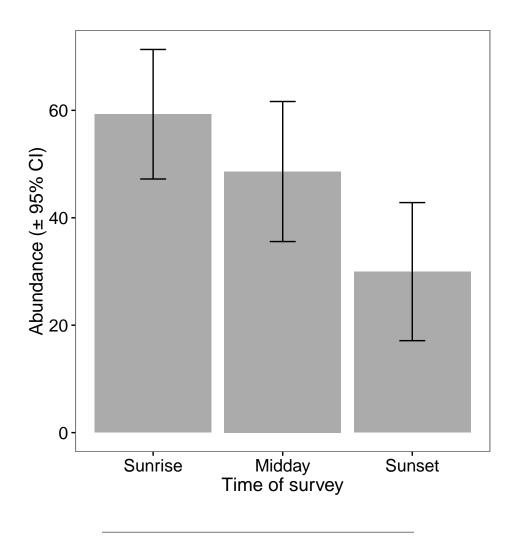
axis.text.y = element_text(size = 13),

panel.grid.major = element_blank(),

panel.grid.minor = element_blank()) +

ylab("Abundance (± 95% CI)") +

xlab("Time of survey")
```



## Foraging model selection, analysis, and plotting

Assign the a priori models to a list

```
Forage_models <- list()</pre>
```

• Model 1: Null model

• Model 2: Univariate model with proportion of moon illuminated

```
(1| Unique_scan) + (1 | Session) + (1| Date),
data = Killdeer, family = binomial)
```

• Model 3: Univariate model with minimum 12 hour temperature

• Model 4: Univariate model with max 12 hour precipitation

• Model 5: Additive model of both lunar and temperature covariates

• Model 6: Additive model of both lunar and precipitation covariates

• Model 7: Additive model of both lunar, temperature, and precipitation covariates

Name models and create a ranked AIC table

Calculate evidence ratios and add them to the AIC table

```
Evidence_Ratios <- function(AIC_table){
    ER <- vector( , nrow(AIC_table))
    for(i in 1:nrow(AIC_table)) {
        ER[i] <- AIC_table$AICcWt[1]/AIC_table$AICcWt[i]
    }
    ER[1] <- NA
    table <- cbind(AIC_table, ER)
    out <- cbind(table[, c(1:2)], round(table[, c(3:9)], 2))
}</pre>
Forage_models_table <- Evidence_Ratios(Forage_models_table)
```

Estimate the marginal R-squared of each model following Nakagawa and Schielzeth (Equ. 29 and 30 and Table 2; 2013) and add them to the AIC table to produce Table 1 presented in the paper.

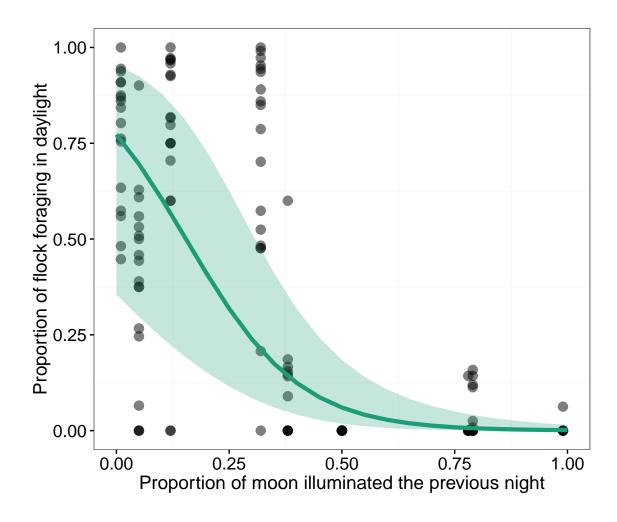
```
r2_m_glmm <- function(mod){</pre>
 v <- var(as.vector(fixef(mod) %*% t(model.matrix(mod))))</pre>
  r2_m <- v/(v + VarCorr(mod)$Unique_scan[1] +
               VarCorr(mod)$Session[1] + VarCorr(mod)$Date[1] + pi^2/3)
  out <- unlist(list(r2_m = r2_m))</pre>
}
r2 m <- data.frame(round(t(as.data.frame(t(sapply(Forage models, r2 m glmm)))), 3))
r2 m$Modnames <-
  c("Model 1", "Model 2", "Model 3", "Model 4", "Model 5", "Model 6", "Model 7")
colnames(r2_m) <- c("r2_m", "Modnames")</pre>
Forage_models_table <- dplyr::left_join(Forage_models_table, r2_m)[,c(1,2,4,6,9,10)]
Forage models table
   Modnames K Delta_AICc AICcWt
                                    ER r2 m
#> 1 Model 2 5
                     0.00 0.55
                                    NA 0.431
                     2.19 0.18
#> 2 Model 5 6
                                  2.99 0.432
#> 3 Model 6 6
                    2.19 0.18 2.99 0.431
#> 4 Model 7 7
                     4.41 0.06 9.08 0.433
#> 5 Model 1 4
                     7.56 0.01 43.73 0.000
#> 6 Model 3 5
                     8.82
                           0.01 82.39 0.021
#> 7 Model 4 5
                     9.42 0.00 111.03 0.006
```

Calculate the 95% confidence interval of the top model by creating a function which applies varying steps of the predictor (i.e., PropMoon) to the model and returns the coefficients of the intercept and beta.

```
# convert the matrix to a data.frame
result_foraging <- data.frame(result_foraging)
# define the column names
colnames(result_foraging) <-
    c("PropMoon", "Coefficient", "Std. Error", "Upper", "Mean", "Lower")
# Create proportional variable for plotting
Killdeer$prop_Forage <- Killdeer$Foraging/Killdeer$Total</pre>
```

Plot the top model with confidence intervals

```
ggplot2::ggplot() +
         geom_point(data = Killdeer,
                     aes(x = PropMoon, y = prop_Forage), size = 3, alpha = 0.5) +
          geom_ribbon(data = result_foraging,
                      aes(x = PropMoon, y = Mean, ymin = Lower, ymax = Upper),
                      fill = "#1B9E77", alpha = 0.25) +
          geom_line(data = result_foraging,
                    aes(x = PropMoon, y = Mean), size = 1.5, colour = "#1B9E77") +
          theme_bw() +
          theme(legend.position = c(1, 1),
                legend.justification = c(1, 1),
                legend.text=element_text(size=11),
                legend.title=element_blank(),
                legend.key.height=unit(0.8,"line"),
                legend.key.width=unit(0.8,"line"),
                legend.background = element rect(fill=NA),
                axis.title.x = element_text(size = 14, vjust = -0.5),
                axis.text.x = element_text(size = 13),
                axis.title.y = element_text(size = 14, vjust = 1.5),
                axis.text.y = element text(size = 13),
                panel.grid.major = element_blank()) +
          scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0,1)) +
          ylab("Proportion of flock foraging in daylight") +
         xlab("Proportion of moon illuminated the previous night")
```



## Roosting model selection, analysis, and plotting

Assign the a priori models to a list

```
Roosting_models <- list()</pre>
```

• Model 1: Null model

• Model 2: Univariate model with proportion of moon illuminated

```
(1| Unique_scan) + (1 | Session) + (1| Date),
data = Killdeer, family = binomial)
```

• Model 3: Univariate model with minimum 12 hour temperature

• Model 4: Univariate model with max 12 hour precipitation

• Model 5: Additive model of both lunar and temperature covariates

• Model 6: Additive model of both lunar and precipitation covariates

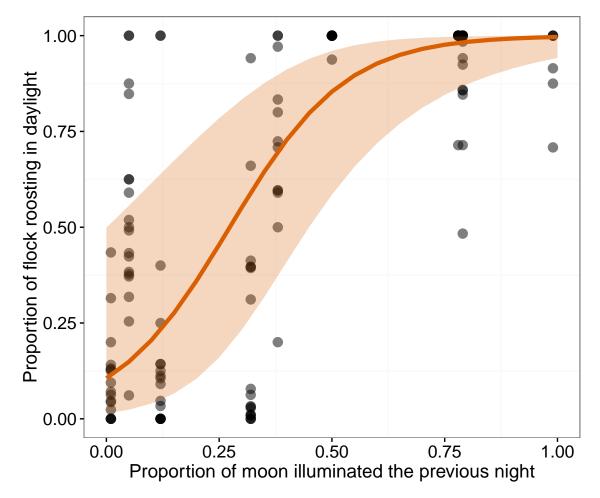
• Model 7: Additive model of both lunar, temperature, and precipitation covariates

Name models, create a ranked AIC table, calculate evidence ratios and marginal r-squared, and produce Table 2 presented in the paper.

```
Modnames <- paste("Model", 1:length(Roosting_models), sep = " ")</pre>
Roost_models_table <- AICcmodavg::aictab(cand.set = Roosting_models,</pre>
                                        modnames = Modnames, sort = TRUE)
Roost_models_table <- Evidence_Ratios(Roost_models_table)</pre>
r2_m <- data.frame(round(t(as.data.frame(t(sapply(Roosting_models, r2_m_glmm)))), 3))
r2 m$Modnames <-
 c("Model 1", "Model 2", "Model 3", "Model 4", "Model 5", "Model 6", "Model 7")
colnames(r2 m) <- c("r2 m", "Modnames")</pre>
Roost_models_table <- dplyr::left_join(Roost_models_table, r2_m)[,c(1,2,4,6,9,10)]
Roost models table
#> Modnames K Delta_AICc AICcWt ER r2_m
#> 1 Model 2 5 0.00 0.49 NA 0.364
                    1.63 0.22 2.25 0.374
#> 2 Model 6 6
#> 3 Model 5 6
                   2.19 0.16 2.99 0.365
#> 4 Model 7 7
                   3.77 0.07 6.59 0.378
#> 5 Model 1 4
                    5.95 0.02 19.58 0.000
#> 6 Model 4 5
                     6.28 0.02 23.05 0.057
#> 7 Model 3 5
                   7.57 0.01 44.10 0.018
```

Plot the top model with confidence intervals

```
CI_roosting <- function(offs) {</pre>
  model <- lme4::glmer(cbind(Roosting, NonRoosting) ~</pre>
              I(PropMoon-offs) + (1| Unique_scan) + (1 | Session) + (1| Date),
              data = Killdeer, family = binomial)
  ests <- summary(model)$coefficients[1,1:2]</pre>
  return(c(offs,ests,invlogit(ests[1]+c(-1,0,1)*1.96*ests[2])))
}
offs_roosting \leftarrow seq(0,1,0.05)
result_roosting <- sapply(offs_roosting,CI_roosting)</pre>
result_roosting <- t(result_roosting)</pre>
result_roosting <- data.frame(result_roosting)</pre>
colnames(result roosting) <-</pre>
  c("PropMoon", "Coefficient", "Std. Error", "Upper", "Mean", "Lower")
Killdeer$prop_Roost <- Killdeer$Roosting/Killdeer$Total</pre>
ggplot2::ggplot() +
          geom_point(data = Killdeer,
                      aes(x = PropMoon, y = prop_Roost), size = 3, alpha = 0.5) +
          geom_ribbon(data = result_roosting,
                       aes(x = PropMoon, y = Mean, ymin = Lower, ymax = Upper),
                       fill = "#D95F02", alpha = 0.25) +
          geom_line(data = result_roosting,
                     aes(x = PropMoon, y = Mean), size = 1.5, colour = "#D95F02") +
          theme_bw() +
          theme(legend.position = c(1, 1),
                 legend.justification = c(1, 1),
                 legend.text=element_text(size=11),
                 legend.title=element blank(),
                 legend.key.height=unit(0.8,"line"),
                 legend.key.width=unit(0.8,"line"),
                 legend.background = element_rect(fill=NA),
                 axis.title.x = element text(size = 14, vjust = -0.5),
                 axis.text.x = element_text(size = 13),
```



# Preening model selection, analysis, and plotting

Assign the a priori models to a list

```
Preening_models <- list()</pre>
```

#### • Model 1: Null model

• Model 2: Univariate model with proportion of moon illuminated

• Model 3: Univariate model with minimum 12 hour temperature

• Model 4: Univariate model with max 12 hour precipitation

• Model 5: Additive model of both lunar and temperature covariates

• Model 6: Additive model of both lunar and precipitation covariates

• Model 7: Additive model of both lunar, temperature, and precipitation covariates

```
Preening_models[[7]] <-
   lme4::glmer(cbind(Preening, NonPreening) ~
        Min12Temp + Max12Precip + PropMoon +
        (1| Unique_scan) + (1 | Session) + (1| Date),
        data = Killdeer, family = binomial)</pre>
```

Name models, create a ranked AIC table, calculate evidence ratios and marginal r-squared, and produce Table 3 presented in the paper.

```
Modnames <- paste("Model", 1:length(Preening_models), sep = " ")</pre>
Preen_models_table <- AICcmodavg::aictab(cand.set = Preening_models,</pre>
                                        modnames = Modnames, sort = TRUE)
Preen_models_table <- Evidence_Ratios(Preen_models_table)</pre>
r2_m <- data.frame(round(t(as.data.frame(t(sapply(Preening_models, r2_m_glmm)))), 3))
r2 m$Modnames <-
 c("Model 1", "Model 2", "Model 3", "Model 4", "Model 5", "Model 6", "Model 7")
colnames(r2 m) <- c("r2 m", "Modnames")</pre>
Preen_models_table <- dplyr::left_join(Preen_models_table, r2_m)[,c(1,2,4,6,9,10)]
Preen models table
#> Modnames K Delta_AICc AICcWt ER r2_m
#> 1 Model 4 5 0.00 0.35 NA 0.040
                    1.25 0.19 1.86 0.039
#> 2 Model 2 5
#> 3 Model 6 6
                   1.35 0.18 1.96 0.051
                    2.27 0.11 3.11 0.000
#> 4 Model 1 4
#> 5 Model 7 7
                    3.22 0.07 4.99 0.053
#> 6 Model 5 6
                    3.42 0.06 5.52 0.040
                  4.08 0.05 7.67 0.005
#> 7 Model 3 5
```