

**Supplementary data: Transitions in social complexity along elevational gradients reveal a combined impact of season length and development time on social evolution**

*Running title: Sociality, development time, and altitude*

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**Table S1.** Experimental data used in this study. Egg-to-adult development time, foraging days, and social structure designations from the literature (with supplementary references at the end of this document).

Species name	Sociality	Foraging days	Mean development	References
Bombus_muscorum	high	147.94082		Michener, 1974
Bombus_pomorum	high	142.90494		Michener, 1974
Bombus_distinguendus	high	139.64638		Michener, 1974
Bombus_confusus	high	137.71312		Michener, 1974
Bombus_ruderatus	high	135.16582		Bourke, 1997; Sakagami & Katayama, 1977
Bombus_campestris	high	121.75652		Michener, 1974
Bombus_vestalis	high	116.45526		Michener, 1974
Bombus_veteranus	high	111.7013		Michener, 1974
Bombus_terrestris	high	111.37092	25.5	Bourke, 1997; Laverty & Plowright, 1985, Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Wenseleers & AI, 2006
Bombus_pascuorum	high	106.63812		Michener, 1974
Bombus_argillaceus	high	106.22276		Michener, 1974
Bombus_humilis	high	104.61458		Michener, 1974
Bombus_lapidarius	high	103.98566		Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Winston, 1991
Bombus_sylvarum	high	103.0321		Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012
Bombus_barbutellus	high	101.8957		Michener, 1974
Bombus_hypnorum	high	101.8128		Bourke, 1997; Michener, 1974
Bombus_hortorum	high	99.459176		Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Michener, 1974; Michener, 1974; Sakagami, 1976
Bombus_sylvestris	high	99.415638		Michener, 1974
Bombus_bohemicus	high	94.02081		Michener, 1974
Bombus_lucorum	high	89.39406		Bourke, 1997; Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Sakagami, 1976; 1976
Bombus_pratorum	high	85.068156		Free, 1955; Gonzalez & Mejia, 2004
Bombus_subterraneus	high	74.920438		Michener, 1974
Bombus_magnus	high	74.72998		Michener, 1974
Bombus_norvegicus	high	74.11919		Michener, 1974

Bombus_rupestris	high	68.44023		Michener, 1974
Bombus_quadricolor	high	61.57486		Michener, 1974
Bombus_cryptarum	high	58.985388		Michener, 1974
Bombus_jonellus	high	56.074472		Michener, 1974
Bombus_wurflenii	high	55.012192		Michener, 1974
Bombus_ruderarius	high	54.361174		Michener, 1974
Bombus_inexpectatus	high	54.262844		Michener, 1974
Bombus_soroeeensis	high	53.751726		Michener, 1974
Bombus_mesomelas	high	53.470338		Michener, 1974
Bombus_flavidus	high	47.348408		Michener, 1974
Bombus_sichelii	high	43.9006		Michener, 1974
Bombus_monticola	high	43.476364		Michener, 1974
Bombus_gerstaeckeri	high	43.06264		Michener, 1974
Bombus_mucidus	high	42.665376		Michener, 1974
Bombus_pyrenaesus	high	40.616888		Michener, 1974
Bombus_mendax	high	40.426764		Michener, 1974
Bombus_alpinus	high	20.32066		Laverty & Plowright, 1985
Bombus_atratus	high		29	Laverty & Plowright, 1985;Gonzalez & Mejia, 2004
Bombus_impatiens	high		26	Bourke, 1997; Michener, 1974; Cnaani, Schmid-Hempel, & Schmidt, 2002; Michener, 1974
Bombus_ephippiatus	high		24	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Michener, 1974
Bombus_perplexus	high		22.5	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Laverty & Plowright, 1985; Michener, 1974
Bombus_bimaculatus	high		22	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Sakagami, 1976
Bombus_hypocrita	high		22	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Michener, 1974; Laverty & Plowright, 1985; Michener, 1974
Bombus_ignitus	high		22	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Mason, 1988; Michener, 1974; Yoon, Kim, & Kim, 2002
Bombus_ternarius	high		22	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012
Apis_mellifera	high		21	Winston, 1991
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Bombus_polaris	high		20	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012; Laverty & Plowright, 1985
Bombus_vagans	high		19	Del Castillo & Fairbairn, 2012
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Bombus_balteaus	high		Sakagami & Katayama, 1977
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Bombus_occidentalis	high		Lavery & Plowright, 1985; Sakagami & Katayama, 1977
Bombus_pennsylvanicus	high		Michener, 1974
Bombus_rufocinctus	high		Michener, 1974
Bombus_sassaricus	high		Bourke, 1997; Michener, 1974
Bombus_terricola	high		Bourke, 1997; Sakagami, 1976
Bombus_wilmattae	high		Huth-Schwarz et al. 2011
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Lasioglossum_lineare	intermediate	144.55384	Knerer, 1983; Packer & Knerer, 1985
Lasioglossum_marginatum	intermediate	139.37964	Michener, 1974
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Halictus_subauratus	intermediate	131.71848	Westrich, 1990
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Halictus_tumulorum	intermediate	121.421	Westrich, 1990
Halictus_sexcinctus	intermediate	110.54328	Richards, 2001
Halictus_maculatus	intermediate	108.8383	Knerer, 1980
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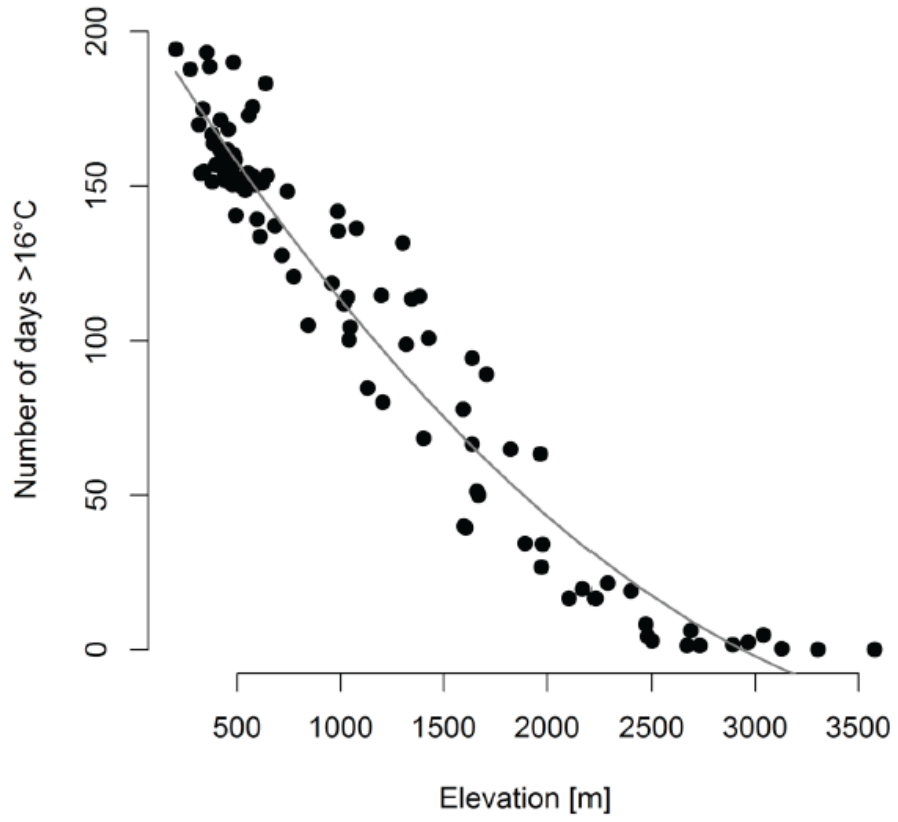
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Lasioglossum_seabrui	intermediate		Michener, 1974
Lasioglossum_versatum	intermediate		Michener, 1966
Lasioglossum_zephyrum	intermediate		Danforth et al., 2003
Pseudagapostemon_divaricatus	intermediate		Michener & Lange, 1958
Pseudaugochloropsis_graminea	intermediate		Michener & Kerfoot, 1967
Pseudaugochloropsis_nigerrima	intermediate		Michener & Kerfoot, 1967
Systropha_planidens	solitary	164.4272	Michener, 1974
Systropha_curvicornis	solitary	160.8967	Michener, 1974
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Rhophitoides_canus	solitary	94.838372	Wilkaniac, Wójtowski, & Szymas, 1985
Halictus_quadricinctus	solitary	94.34113	Knerer, 1980
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Lasioglossum_brevicorne	solitary	93.30192		Danforth, Conway, & Ji, 2003
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Halictus_rubicundus	solitary	88.976852		Soucy & Danforth, 2002; Plateaux-Quenu, Plateaux, & Packer, 2000
Lasioglossum_albipes	solitary	84.74418		Plateaux-Quenu, 1992
Tetrapedia_maura	solitary		113	Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Centris_vittata	solitary		98.5	Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Xylocopa_varians	solitary		70	Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Centris_labrosa	solitary		61.5	Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Ptilothrix_plumata	solitary		60	*Same Season Eggs; Martins & Guerra, 2001
Centris_analis	solitary		59	Thiele & Inouye, 2007; Vieira & Garófalo, 2000
Centris_biocornuta	solitary		58	Thiele & Inouye, 2007; Vinson & Frankie, 2000
Ceratina_smaragdula	solitary			Kapil & Kumar, 1969; Rehan, Richards, & Schwarz, 2009
Euplusia_surinamensis	solitary			Michener, 1971; Bennett, 1972 ; Dodson, 1966; Myers & Loveless, 1976
Lasioglossum_baleicum	solitary		41.5	Cronin & Hirata, 2003; Hirata & Higashi, 2008
Augochlora_pura	solitary		37.5	Stockhammer, 1966
Lasioglossum_apristum	solitary			Miyanaaga, Maeta, & Sakagami, 1999
Neocorynura_fumipennis	solitary			Michener, Kerfoot, And Ramirez, 1966
Osmia_rufa	solitary		109.8	Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Osmia_lignaria	solitary		97.1	Bosch & Kemp, 2000
Duckeanthidium_thielei	solitary		69.5	Thiele, 2002; Thiele & Inouye, 2007
Megachile_rotundata	solitary		36.9	Kemp & Bosch, 2000
Osmia_excavata	solitary			Hirashima, 1958

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**Figure S2.** There is a strong correlation between elevation and foraging days.

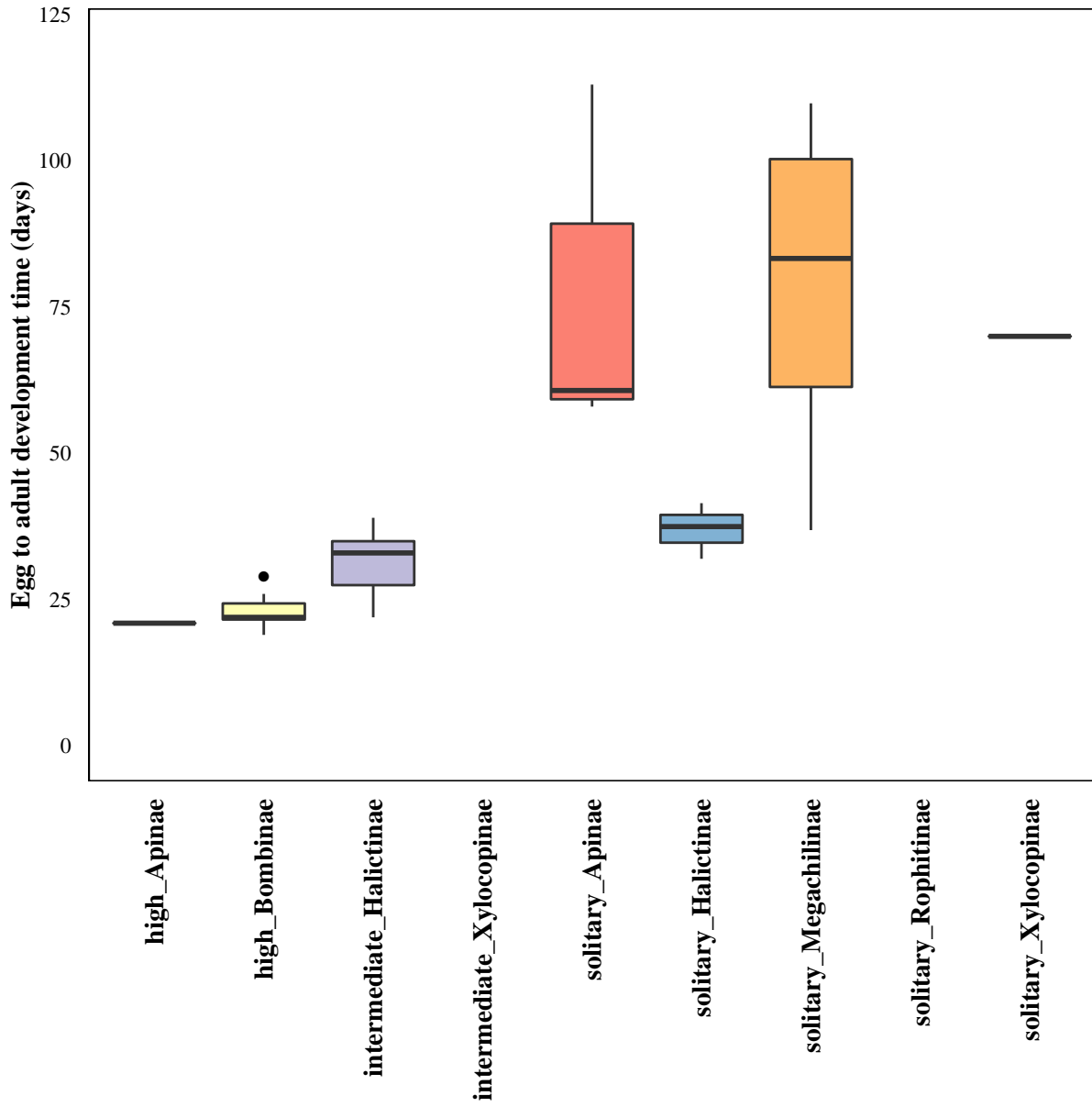




**Table S3.** The correlations (reported as  $R^2$  values) between the number of days with temperatures reaching 12°C, 14°C, 16°C, 18°C, 20°C, 22°C, altitude, and our selected temperature threshold of 16°C. Note that there is a strong correlation between all temperature thresholds and altitude, as well as between the number of days above 16°C and the rest of the temperature thresholds. All correlations were significant ( $p < 0.05$ ).

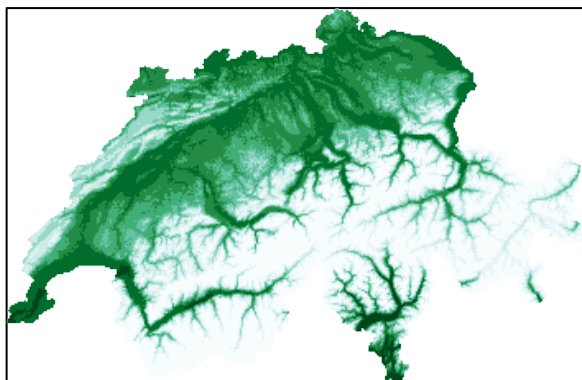
	<b>Altitude</b>	<b>Days &gt;16°C</b>
<b>&gt;12°C</b>	-0.969	0.988
<b>&gt;14°C</b>	-0.965	0.997
<b>&gt;16°C</b>	-0.920	.
<b>&gt;18°C</b>	-0.936	0.996
<b>&gt;20°C</b>	-0.921	0.985
<b>&gt;22°C</b>	-0.896	0.955

**Figure S4.** A large part of the variation in development times seems to occur *within* subfamilies rather than between them.

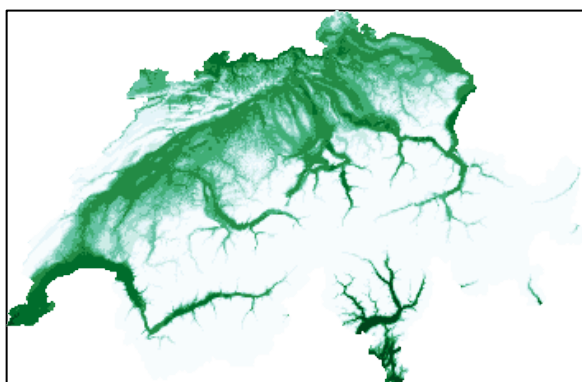


**Figure S5.** These maps illustrate the distributions of each social form across Switzerland. To map these distributions of each behavioural category, “solitary”, “intermediate” and “highly” social, we mapped the probabilities of finding each behavioural form at a given site based on the number of days above 16°C at each site. To complement the observation of species within the three social categories, we used 5000 pseudo-absences representing the background conditions available to the species and then used generalized linear models (GLM) with a binomial distribution and a logistic link function accounting for linear and quadratic relationships.

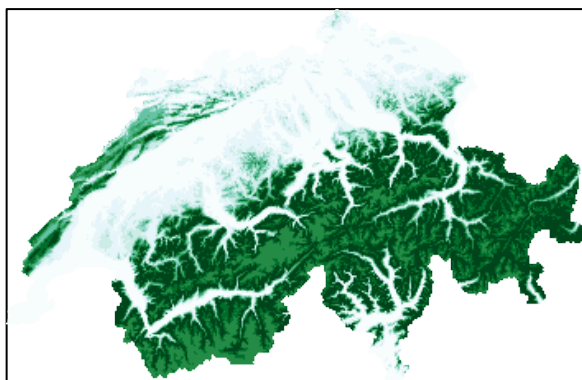
**Solitary**



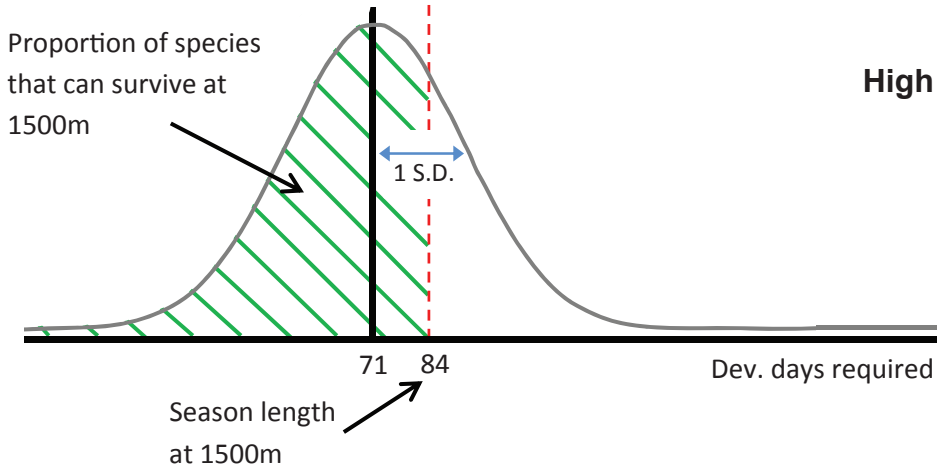
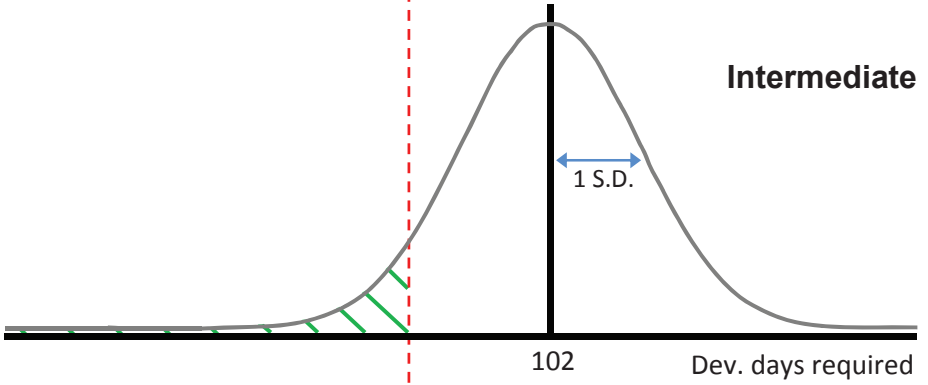
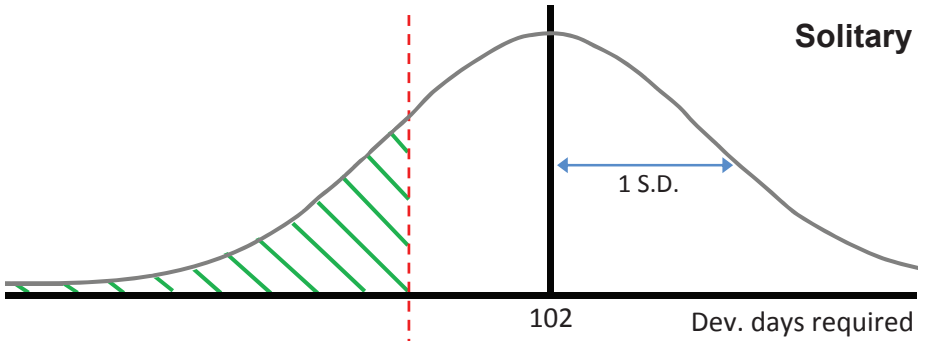
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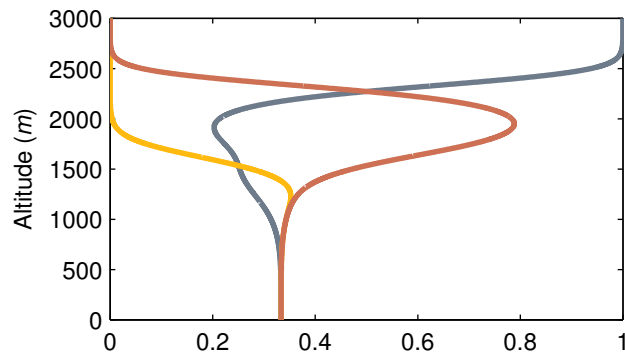
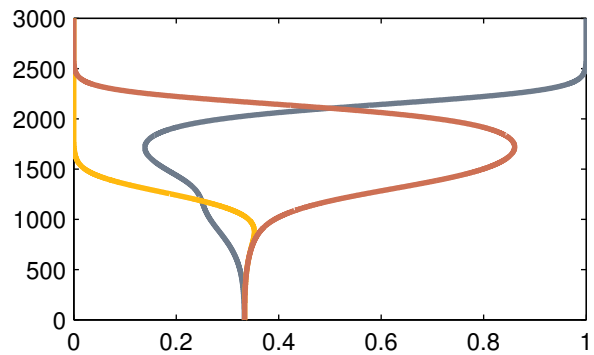
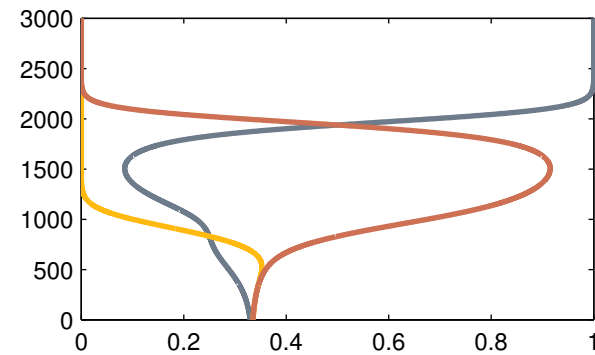
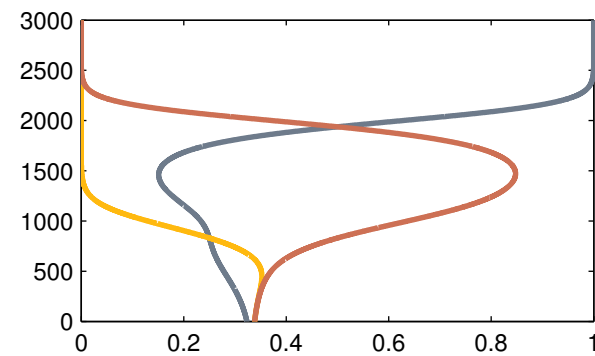
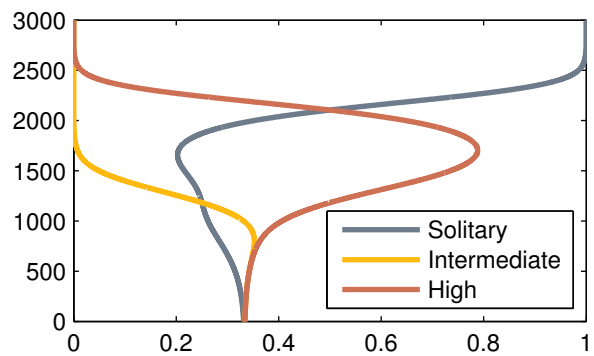
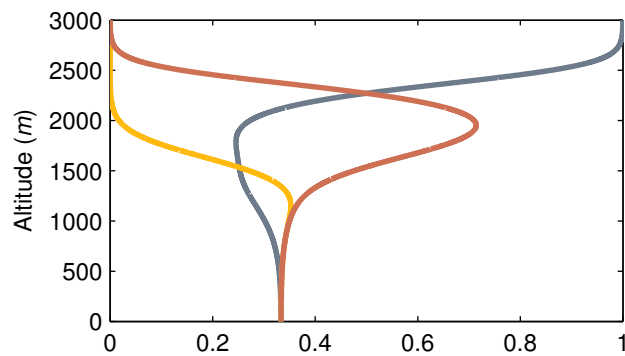
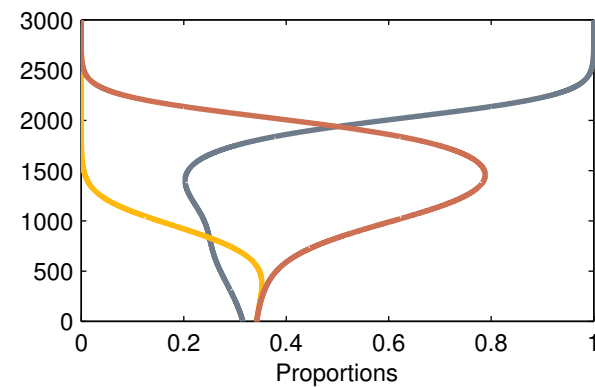
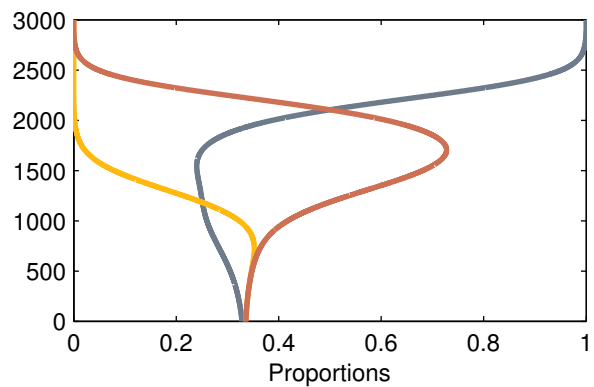
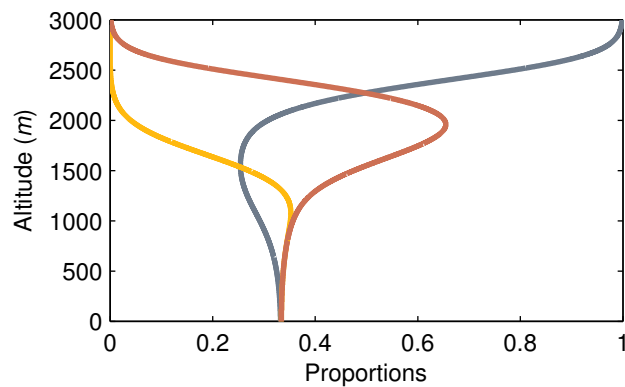


**Figure S6.** Distributions of development time for each social form used in the ecological model. A. Solitary taxa, B. Intermediate social taxa, C. Highly social taxa.



**Figure S7.** The qualitative results of the model are robust to sizable changes in the parameters of the underlying distributions. Here, we report the relative proportions of the three sociality levels across altitude for a range of distribution parameter values. The base case, as in Fig. 4, is shown in the central panel. The means of the distributions increase from left to right; the standard deviations increase from top to bottom.



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