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## Vocal convergence in a multi-level primate society: insights into the evolution of vocal learning

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Table S1: Overview over male presence and the periods during which recordings were obtained. Male ID code, Gang and party membership and recording periods are given. Orange: Mare gang; Blue: Simenti gang. Lighter shades indicate assumed presence<sup>1</sup>, darker shades confirmed presence. Periods when recordings were taken are marked with 'x'.

ID	Gang	Party	2010/11	2014	2016
PTR	Mare	4	х		
CSS	Mare	4	х		
DTM	Mare	4	х		
OSM	Mare	4	х		х
NDR	Mare	4	х	х	х
ANT	Mare	4			х
AND	Mare	9		х	х
SNE	Mare	9	х	х	х
BAA	Mare	9		х	х
DRK	Mare	9		х	х
VNC	Mare	9		х	х
WNT	Mare	9			х
MRX	Mare	9		х	х
MST	Simenti	5	х	х	х
ADM	Simenti	5		х	х
FFE	Simenti	5			х
FDL	Simenti	5		х	х
SPP	Simenti	5			х
JKY	Simenti	6		х	х
MSA	Simenti	6	х		х
ASN	Simenti	6			х
RBT	Simenti	6			х
MLK	Simenti	6		х	х
BEN	Simenti	6			х
IND	Simenti	6		х	х
LOU	Simenti	6			х
WLD	Simenti	6		х	х

<sup>1</sup>As Guinea baboon males are mostly philopatric, we assume that males identified as adult by 2014 were most likely already present as adolescents in 2010/11. Three subjects died during the course of the study.

Table S2. Number of calls and number of males represented per context. Calls were recorded in four major contexts: (i) affiliative interactions, including approaches and contact sitting with both males and females, (ii) greeting between males, (iii) infant handling, and (iv) looking at an interaction/resting near third parties.<sup>1</sup>

Context	N calls	N males	
Affiliation	179	23	
Greeting	226	22	
Infant handling	189	24	
Look/Rest	162	15	

<sup>1</sup>Since previous analyses revealed only minor variation between contexts, we favored having a larger data set where males are represented by calls from multiple contexts over controlling for context.

Table S3: Acoustic parameters used by the Discriminant Function Analysis to distinguish the grunts of 27 male Guinea baboons. Variables are ordered by the correlation coefficient of the structure matrix, i.e. in relation to their importance for distinguishing between males.

Parameter	Description
F0 mean <sup>1)</sup>	Fundamental frequency (F0) mean across all time segments [Hz]
PF max <sup>1)</sup>	Maximum PF of all time segments (peak frequency: highest
	frequency amplitude of a time segment) [Hz]
DFA3 end <sup>2)</sup>	End DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile (DFA: distribution of frequency amplitude)
	[Hz]
DFA3 med <sup>2)</sup>	Median DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [Hz]
F0 slope <sup>1)</sup>	Factor of linear trend of F0
DFA3 start <sup>2)</sup>	Start DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [Hz]
DFA3 maloc <sup>2)</sup>	Location of maximum DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [(1/duration)*location])
DFA3 min <sup>2)</sup>	Minimum DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [Hz]
Corr mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean correlation coefficient of successive time segments
F1 mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean frequency of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
Corr maloc <sup>2)</sup>	Location of maximum correlation coefficient
	[(1/duration)*location])
Duration <sup>2)</sup>	Duration of call [ms]
PF minloc <sup>2)</sup>	Location of minimum PF [(1/duration)*location])
DFA2 med <sup>2)</sup>	Median DFA 2 <sup>nd</sup> quartile [Hz]
F1w max <sup>2)</sup>	Maximum frequency range of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
Duration <sup>1)</sup>	Duration of call [ms]
Noise mean <sup>1)</sup>	Mean noisiness measured as Wiener entropy [0-1]
Noise max <sup>1)</sup>	Maximum noisiness measured as Wiener entropy [0-1]
PF min <sup>2)</sup>	PF minimum [Hz]
PF maloc <sup>2)</sup>	Location of maximum PF [(1/duration)*location])
FP1a max <sup>2)</sup>	Maximum amplitude of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [rel. amplitude]
DFA3 max <sup>2)</sup>	Maximum DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [Hz]
DFA3 mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean DFA 3 <sup>rd</sup> quartile [Hz]
DFA2 start <sup>2)</sup>	Start DFA 2 <sup>nd</sup> quartile [Hz]
FP1a mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean amplitude of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [rel. amplitude]
F2 mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean frequency of 2 <sup>nd</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
F1w end <sup>2)</sup>	End frequency range of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
F1w min <sup>2)</sup>	Minimum frequency range of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
Freq range min <sup>2)</sup>	Mean frequency range across all time segments [Hz]
F2 % <sup>2)</sup>	Percentage of 2 <sup>nd</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]
F1w mean <sup>2)</sup>	Mean frequency range of 1 <sup>st</sup> general amplitude peak [Hz]

<sup>1)</sup> Estimated from frequency time spectra with a frequency range of 500 Hz; <sup>2)</sup> Estimated from frequency time spectra with a frequency range of 2500 Hz.

Table S4. Correlation coefficients (Spearman) between simulated relatives and genetic relatedness estimates. The Wang estimator showed the second highest correlation coefficient, only slightly worse than Trio-ML. Due to its distribution from -1 to 1, it is better suited for correlation analyses (with acoustic similarity), and was therefore selected as the relatedness estimator. See refs. [27-29] for details.

Estimator	Correlation Coefficient
TRIOML:	0.847
WANG:	0.844
LYNCHLI:	0.837
LYNCHRD:	0.812
RITLAND:	0.771
QUELLERGT:	0.839
DYADML:	0.843

Table S5. Output of permuted DFA based on the procedure described in Mundry & Sommer 2007 (Ref. 24).

"no.corr.classified.selected"	107.37
"expected.no.corr.classified.selected"	93.83337
"percent.correctly.classified.selected"	79.53333333333333
"expected.percent.correctly.classified.selected"	69.5062
"P.for.selected"	0.006
"no.corr.cross.classified"	69.67
"expected.no.corr.cross.classified"	23.11867
"percent.corr.cross.classified"	11.219001610306
"expected.percent.corr.cross.classified"	3.72281320450886
"P.for.cross.classified"	0.001
"no.levels.contr.factor"	756
"no.levels.contr.factor.selected"	135
"no.levels.test.factor"	27
"no.cases"	756
"no.cases.selected"	135
"no.cases.selected.per.level.of.control.fac"	1
"no.permutations"	1000
"no.random.selections"	100

Table S6: Acoustic parameters used to distinguish between gangs and parties. Variables are ordered by the correlation coefficient of the structure matrix, i.e. in relation to their importance for distinguishing between social levels. For the explanation of the variables, see Table S2.

Between gangs	
Parameter	correlation
DFA3 end	-0.51
DFA2 maloc	-0.45
DFA3 maloc	-0.42
DFA2 end	-0.4
DFA3 max	-0.31
DFA2 max	-0.26
Between parties	
Parameter	correlation
DFA3 end	-0.49
	0.40

	0.10
DFA2 maloc	-0.43
DFA3 maloc	-0.38
DFA2 end	-0.37
DFA3 max	-0.27
F0 maloc	-0.26