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Supplementary material Appendix 2

Calculation of tortoise body mass

For tortoises, body mass data is often not available. Consequently, morphometric data such as curved carapace length (CCL) are often used to estimate body mass using the equation from Pough (1980). However, the equation from Pough (1980) for the relationship between body mass and CCL is based on data that includes both tortoises and aquatic terrapins. The latter have a flattened, streamlined carapace shape that is suited for their aquatic lifestyle. In contrast, tortoises have more dome-shaped carapaces (Austin and Arnold 2001). Hence, the applicability of the equation from Pough (1980) for tortoises is questionable.

We therefore predicted tortoise body mass (kg) from CCL (cm) by means of a polynomial regression based on data of 182 Aldabra Giant tortoises (*Aldabrachelys gigantea*) (R. Baxter and D. M. Hansen, unpub. data). This relationship allowed to predict body mass with high explanatory power ($R^2 = 0.962$, $p < 0.001$; Figure A2.1).

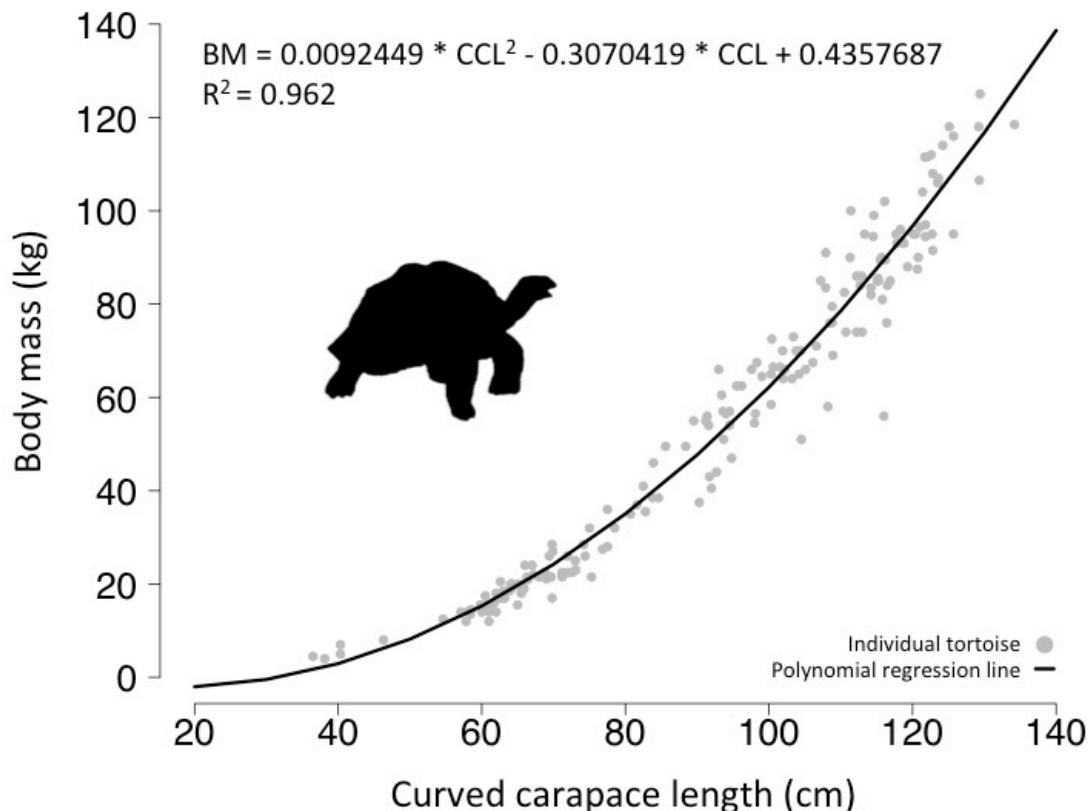


Figure A2.1. The polynomial relationship between the curved carapace length (CCL, in cm) and body mass (in kg) for 182 Aldabra Giant tortoises (*Aldabrachelys gigantea*). The relationship is based on unpublished data from Richard Baxter and Dennis M. Hansen.

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Supplementary material Appendix 3

Island extinctions

Table A3.1. Pre-extinction species richness, recorded species extinctions, proportional extinction and proportional loss of mean body mass across 74 islands within 20 archipelagos worldwide. Data show the species richness of frugivorous vertebrates (birds, mammals, reptiles) before extinctions during the Late Holocene and recent present, the number of recorded extinctions and the proportion of richness that has gone extinct ($n = 33$ islands), and the proportional loss of community-level mean body mass.

Archipelago	Island	Pre-extinction species richness	Recorded species extinctions	Proportional extinction	Proportional loss of mean body mass
Australia	Lord Howe	17	3	0.1765	0.0644
Azores	Corvo	9	0	0	0
Azores	Faial	11	0	0	0
Azores	Flores	9	0	0	0
Azores	Graciosa	10	0	0	0
Azores	Pico	11	0	0	0
Azores	Santa Maria	10	0	0	0
Azores	Sao Jorge	10	0	0	0
Azores	Sao Miguel	13	0	0	0
Azores	Terceira	12	0	0	0
Bismarck	Lavongai	39	0	0	0
Bismarck	Manus	33	0	0	0
Bismarck	Mussau	28	1	0.0357	0.0567
Bismarck	Umboi Island	47	0	0	0
Bonin Islands	Haha-Jima	10	1	0.1000	0.2013
Canary Islands	La Gomera	15	1	0.0667	0.1040
Canary Islands	Lanzarote	7	0	0	0
Canary Islands	La Palma	14	1	0.0714	0.2402
Cape Verde	Boa Vista	3	0	0	0
Cape Verde	Santiago	3	0	0	0
Cape Verde	Santo Antao	3	0	0	0
Cape Verde	Sao Nicolao	3	0	0	0
Comoros	Anjouan	17	0	0	0
Comoros	Grande Comore	20	0	0	0
Comoros	Mayotte	22	0	0	0
Comoros	Moheli	18	0	0	0
Cook Islands	Atiu	7	3	0.4286	0.09643
Cook Islands	Mangaia	12	9	0.7500	0.11352
Cook Islands	Mitiaro	3	0	0	0
Cook Islands	Rarotonga	7	1	0.1429	-0.17934
Fernando de Noronha	Fernando de Noronha	4	0	0	0
Fiji Islands	Kadavu	21	0	0	0
Fiji Islands	Taveuni	25	0	0	0
Galapagos	Fernandina	18	1	0.0556	0.32196
Galapagos	Isabela	19	0	0	0
Galapagos	Pinta	13	1	0.0769	0.4502
Galapagos	San Cristobal	15	0	0	0
Galapagos	Santa Cruz	20	1	0.0500	-0.03102
Galapagos	Santiago	19	0	0	0
Hawaii	Kauai	4	2	0.5000	0.1529
Hawaii	Lanai	3	3	1.0000	1.0000
Hawaii	Maui	6	5	0.8333	0.8316
Hawaii	Molokai	5	4	0.8000	0.5079

Hawaii	Oahu	4	4	1.0000	1.0000
Madeira	Madeira	10	0	0	0
Madeira	Porto Santo	5	0	0	0
Mascarene	Mauritius	24	10	0.4167	0.7673
Mascarene	Reunion	16	10	0.6250	0.8218
Mascarene	Rodrigues	14	12	0.8571	0.8135
New Caledonia	Ile des Pins	19	5	0.2632	0.3830
Revilla gigidos	Socorro	7	1	0.1429	0.2767
Seychelles	Aldabra	7	0	0	0
Seychelles	La Digue	6	2	0.3333	0.7507
Seychelles	Mahe	7	3	0.4286	0.8363
Seychelles	Praslin	7	3	0.4286	0.7754
Seychelles	Silhouette	6	3	0.5000	0.8562
Solomon Islands	Bellona	9	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	Buka	46	8	0.1739	0.1767
Solomon Islands	Choiseul	48	1	0.0208	0.0175
Solomon Islands	Makira	42	2	0.0476	0.0486
Solomon Islands	Malaita	45	1	0.0222	0.0355
Solomon Islands	Rennell	19	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	Santa Isabel	42	0	0	0
Tonga Islands	Eua	21	14	0.6667	0.5214
Vanuatu	Ambrym	23	1	0.0435	-0.0326
Vanuatu	Aneityum	16	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Efate	26	2	0.0769	0.2935
Vanuatu	Espiritu Santo	23	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Futuna Vanuatu	11	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Lopevi	18	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Maewo	18	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Mere Lava	13	0	0	0
Vanuatu	Tanna	22	2	0.0909	0.0715
Vanuatu	Tongoa	16	0	0	0

Supplementary material Appendix 4

Results of generalized linear mixed effects models (GLMMs) on island characteristics

Table A4.1. Relationship between proportional extinction of frugivorous vertebrates and island characteristics across islands worldwide ($n = 74$). The relationship is shown for eight generalized linear mixed effects models (GLMMs) that show similar support. Support was assessed using the Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small sample sizes (AICc), rejecting models with $\Delta\text{AICc} \geq 4$ compared to the best model ($\Delta\text{AICc} = 0$). For these eight GLMMs, model averaging was used to obtain the most parsimonious model (see Supplementary material Appendix 4 Table A4.2 for the averaged final GLMM). Archipelago was used as a random effect and the model was weighted by pre-extinction species richness. Island characteristics (scaled before analysis): AREA = island area (km^2); DIST = distance to mainland (km^2); ELEV = maximum elevation (m); PREC = annual precipitation (mm/yr); SLMP = surrounding landmass proportion (\log_{10} proportion); TEMP = annual mean temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$).

Model	AREA	DIST	ELEV	PREC	SLMP	TEMP	AICc	Δ AICc
1	-0.7866	1.437	0.3753				192.6	0
2	-0.6580	1.597	0.4061	-0.4185			193.4	0.76
3	-0.8067	1.237	0.4128		-0.3232		194.5	1.87
4	-0.6669	1.339	0.4604	-0.4725	-0.4484		194.9	2.28
5	-0.7886	1.414	0.3806			0.1562	194.9	2.28
6	-0.5210	1.280					194.9	2.34
7	-0.6525	1.564	0.4173	-0.4484		0.2802	195.5	2.93
8	-0.4150	1.390		-0.2995			196.4	3.76
Average	-0.7021	1.427	0.4005	-0.4228	-0.3794	0.2082		

Table A4.2. Final generalized linear mixed effects model (GLMM) showing the relationship between proportional extinction of frugivores (birds, mammals, reptiles) and six island characteristics across 74 islands worldwide. The final GLMM was derived by model averaging of eight GLMMs with similar support ($\Delta AICc < 4$; Supplementary material Appendix 4, Table A4.1). All predictor variables were scaled before the analysis. Archipelago was used as a random intercept and the GLMMs were weighted by pre-extinction species richness of each island. Abbreviation of island characteristics: AREA = island area (km²); DIST = distance to mainland (km²); ELEV = maximum elevation (m); PREC = annual precipitation (mm/yr); SLMP = surrounding landmass proportion (log₁₀ proportion); TEMP = annual mean temperature (°C).

Predictor	B	SE(β)	P-value
<i>Fixed effects</i>			
Intercept	-2.7603	0.5242	2e-07 ***
AREA (scaled)	-0.7021	0.2457	0.00485 **
DIST (scaled)	1.4271	0.4754	0.00316 **
ELEV (scaled)	0.4005	0.1816	0.03019 *
PREC (scaled)	-0.4228	0.3420	0.22456
SLMP (scaled)	-0.3794	0.4639	0.42174
TEMP (scaled)	0.2082	0.5354	0.70243

Supplementary material Appendix 5

Results of generalized linear mixed effects models (GLMMs) on traits

Table A5.1. Relationship between extinction probability and functional traits (body mass, amount of fruit in the diet, and ability to fly) of frugivorous vertebrates on islands worldwide. The relationship is shown for four generalized linear mixed effects models (GLMMs) with different combinations of the fixed effects body mass (g) and amount of fruit in the diet (categorical: low, medium or high). In all GLMMs, the ability to fly (volant or non-volant) and taxonomic class (bird, mammal, reptile) are included as random effects. The continuous variable body mass was always scaled with a Z-transformation. The Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small sample sizes (AICc) shows how models perform relative to the best model ($\Delta\text{AICc} = 0$). Only GLMMs with $\Delta\text{AICc} \geq 4$ were used (highlighted in bold). Details of the final GLMM are given in Supplementary material Appendix 5, Table A5.2. The GLMMs are calculated using 1185 (extinct or extant) occurrences of 387 unique vertebrate species on 74 islands worldwide.

Model	Variables	AICc	Δ AICc
1	Body mass	744.6	0
2	Body mass + Diet	748.6	4.01
3	No fixed effects	764.7	20.08
4	Diet	765.8	21.16

Table A5.2. Generalized linear mixed effects model (GLMM) illustrating the effect of traits on extinction probability of frugivores (birds, mammals, reptiles). The binary extinction status (extinct = 1, extant = 0) of species on islands was used as response variable, body mass (g) as fixed effect, and ability to fly (volant or non-volant) and taxonomic class (bird, mammal, reptile) as random effects. The model corresponds to the model highlighted in bold in Supplementary material Appendix 5, Table A5.1. The GLMM is based on 1185 species occurrences of 387 unique species on 74 islands worldwide.

Predictor	β	SE(β)	P-value
<i>Fixed effects</i>			
Intercept	-2.42387	0.40652	2.49e-09 ***
Body mass (scaled)	0.35259	0.08764	5.74e-05 ***
<i>Random effects</i>			
	Intercept	Flying	
Class Birds	3.11333	-2.98867	
Class Mammals	1.29980	-1.24776	
Class Reptiles	0.14220	-0.13651	

Supplementary material Appendix 6

Representativeness of vertebrate classes within archipelagos

Table A6.1. Representativeness of different vertebrate classes (birds, mammals, reptiles) within 20 archipelagos worldwide. Representativeness is measured as the number (#) and percentage (%) of species in a given vertebrate class relative to the total number of species. Only frugivorous species are included.

Archipelago	Total	Birds		Mammals		Reptiles	
	#	#	%	#	%	#	%
Azores	13	13	100	0	0	0	0
Bismarck Archipelago	62	47	76	12	19	3	5
Bonin Islands	10	9	90	1	10	0	0
Canary Islands	20	13	65	0	0	7	35
Cape Verde	3	3	100	0	0	0	0
Comoros	29	18	62	3	10	8	28
Cook Islands	14	11	79	1	7	2	14
Fernando de Noronha	4	3	75	0	0	1	25
Fiji Islands	26	21	81	4	15	1	4
Galapagos Islands	34	16	47	5	15	13	38
Hawaii	14	14	100	0	0	0	0
Lord Howe Islands	17	16	94	0	0	1	6
Madeira Archipelago	11	8	73	0	0	3	27
Mascarene Islands	49	28	57	3	6	18	37
New Caledonia	19	16	84	2	11	1	5
Revilla Gigedos Islands	7	6	86	0	0	1	14
Seychelles	14	11	79	2	14	1	7
Solomon Islands	85	59	69	22	26	4	5
Tonga Islands	21	20	95	1	5	0	0
Vanuatu	29	24	83	3	10	2	7