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Social bonding, gestural complexity and displacement behaviour of wild chimpanzee

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1 Abstract

2 Kinship and demography affect social affiliation in many different contexts such as co-feeding,
3 resting, travel, grooming, visual attention and proximity. Chimpanzees may coordinate these
4 social interactions by using gestural communication to make signaller's goal transparent to the
5 recipient and also by increasing commitment of the recipient through including rewarding
6 property in communication. The rewards of gesturing can be measured through the rates of
7 displacement behaviour made in response to these gestures by the recipient. We tested
8 hypothesis that gestural communication affects social affiliation after controlling for kinship and
9 demography in wild, adult chimpanzees living in Budongo Forest, Uganda. We found that
10 affiliative but not antagonistic gestures positively predicted social affiliation. Contexts differed in
11 their association with gestures according to complexity and association with displacement
12 behaviour. More complex, less intense gestures predicted mutual grooming, travel, visual
13 attention whereas less complex, more intense gestures predicted unidirectional grooming.
14 Mirroring these patterns, reduced displacement activity occurred in response to gestures
15 associated with unidirectional grooming but not other contexts. We highlight that these tactical
16 decisions that wild chimpanzees make in their use of gestural communication may be driven by
17 complexity of social environment that influences effectiveness with which signalers can influence
18 the recipient.

19 Keywords: social network, gestural communication, chimpanzee, joint action, resting, travel,
20 grooming, co-feeding, proximity, visual attention, complexity, function

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25 **Introduction**

26 Social bonds of animals, whereby particular dyads within the group preferentially
27 associate and affiliate with each other have fitness benefits by regulating within-group
28 competition in contexts such as feeding and mating. Such relationships have been found in
29 numerous animal species which include for instance, bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops aduncus*)
30 (Möller, Beheregaray, Harcourt, & Krützen, 2001), Bechstein's bats (*Myotis bechsteini*) (Kerth,
31 Perony, & Schweitzer, 2011), and sperm whales (*Physeter macrocephalus*) (Ortega-Ortiz,
32 Engelhaupt, Winsor, Mate, & Rus Hoelzel, 2012). By far however, the most dynamic and stable
33 societies are those of primate species, and particularly great apes such as chimpanzees whereby
34 conspecifics regularly form social bonds manifest in many different contexts (F. B. M. De Waal,
35 1982; Goodall, 1986). Unsurprisingly perhaps, considerable research effort has been directed at
36 explaining the emergence and persistence of social bonds in primates (K. Langergraber, Mitani,
37 & Vigilant, 2009; John C Mitani, Watts, Pepper, & Merriwether, 2002; J. B. Silk, Seyfarth, &
38 Cheney, 2018). At first, inclusive fitness behind social bonding with kin was ubiquitously claimed
39 to drive patterns of social bond formation (Hamilton, 1964). Although primates can and do
40 socially bond with kin (Wrangham, 1980), the principal role of kinship in driving primate
41 sociality has been discounted on the basis that in many socially complex primate species such as
42 gorillas, chimpanzees and the bonobos social bonding within dyads is not determined by kinship
43 (F. B. de Waal, 1986; John C Mitani et al., 2002; Watts, 1992). One another explanation that has
44 been provided for existence of social bonds in primates, is that demographic constraints such as
45 membership of the same age cohort can foster social bonding due to potency of peer influence
46 on one's behaviour and familiarity inherent in growing up in the same social context (Goldberg
47 & Wrangham, 1997; Van Schaik & Van Hooff, 1994). For those reasons, primates of same
48 reproductive status or sex, may also be found to have affiliative contact with each other at a
49 higher rate than among primates of different reproductive status or sex. For instance, male

50 chimpanzees are more likely to groom with other males than the females (John C Mitani et al.,
51 2002). Thus, formation of social bonds in primates, often demands that some similarity between
52 interactants exists (Massen & Koski, 2014). However, primate social groups are complex and
53 large, and primates often come into contact with conspecifics who are dissimilar and/or
54 unrelated. For these complex social groups of unrelated individuals to form and persist over
55 time, the social cohesion mechanism has to evolve that facilitates these social interactions. We
56 propose that gestural communication defined as voluntary movements of the hands, legs, head,
57 bodily postures or locomotory gaits (Hewes, 1973; Liebal, Call, & Tomasello, 2004) is one
58 important mechanisms that facilitates formation of social bonds between individuals regardless
59 of similarity.

60 The gestural communication is highly variable across species but within species, there is
61 also a considerable variation that may facilitate choice of a social partner on the basis of several
62 gesture features. For instance, gestural communication can be multimodal and co-occur with
63 facial expressions or vocalisations, or it can be unimodal. Primates may incorporate objects such
64 as branch of a tree in signalling or the gesture may not contain use of objects. Gestures can be
65 combined with other gestural signals in a single utterance, or gesture may be produced singly (A.
66 I. Roberts, Vick, Roberts, Buchanan-Smith, & Zuberbühler, 2012). The variation in gestural
67 communication may be associated with the degree of social bonding, because gestures vary in the
68 efficiency with which signaller can influence behaviour of the recipient (A. I. Roberts, Vick,
69 Roberts, & Menzel, 2014). Signals of greater complexity that deviate from the population mean,
70 may be more effective at influencing the recipient, than the average signals (Dawkins & Guilford,
71 1997; Zahavi & Zahavi, 1997). There are however many different pathways to achieving a greater
72 efficiency in gestural communication. Studies in humans, showed that during perception of facial
73 expression accompanied by direct gaze and pointing, the amygdala processes emotional content
74 of communication. However, there is a concurrent integration of the directional communication
75 (pointing, gaze) in the premotor cortex that facilitates re-evaluation of prior expectations

76 regarding perceived signaller's immediate intent from emotional expression alone (Conty,
77 Dezecache, Hugueville, & Grèzes, 2012). Thus, pointing gestures with facial expressions have a
78 greater signal value than facial expressions alone and they can elicit a more accurate response
79 from the recipient. Recently studies documented similar behavioural strategies in primates (S.
80 Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2018). Chimpanzee females, for example, lower back to make infant
81 climb on it for travel as well as combining this bodily gesture with a manual sweep backwards in
82 direction of the infant, potentially using manual directional gesture to draw the attention of the
83 infant to the bodily gesture even though the infant is only a meter away and can respond to
84 bodily gesture alone. When initiating grooming, male chimpanzee may present the bodily part
85 that he wants to be groomed by the recipient, as well as making almost imperceptible sound to
86 an observer standing only a short distance away, but clearly of fundamental importance to the
87 recipient.

88 The social relationships of primates, however, may not always be guided by selection for
89 effectiveness of communication (Dawkins & Guilford, 1997). If both interactants have mutual
90 interest in signalling and responding then the recipient may become sensitive to the signaller,
91 whereas signaller may make communication less complex. These scenarios are evolutionarily
92 stable because the communication is effective at achieving its desired goal, whilst reducing the
93 costs of potential harassment by third party or predators in circumstances when the signal is
94 conspicuous and large. An example would be left handed gesture seen in a common goal
95 contexts signifying stronger social bonding (e.g. mutual grooming, joint travel, mutual visual
96 monitoring) versus right handed gestures seen in contexts whereby interactants do not have a
97 common goal signifying weaker social bonding (e.g. unidirectional grooming, lack of mutual
98 visual monitoring) (Noë, 2006). Studies have recently emphasized how low intensity of
99 communication is important for fitness by reducing stress inherent in social interaction
100 (Nakayama, Goto, Kuraoka, & Nakamura, 2005; A. I. Roberts & S. G. B. Roberts, 2016). When
101 individuals who are less strongly bonded interact, there may be a greater conflict of interest and

102 therefore low intensity communication may be ineffective at influencing behavioural change in
103 the recipient (Dawkins & Guilford, 1997). There is a wealth of studies that describe the
104 phenomena whereby recipients respond more strongly to visual communication that is complex
105 than to visual communication that is non-complex. Possibly, the most well-known are the
106 elaborations and repetitions of visual signals seen in mating contexts. For instance, male frogs
107 incorporating a higher rate of action repetition in visual display are more likely to attract female
108 for mating than the males incorporating lower rate of action repetition in the visual display
109 (PAYNE & PAGEL, 1997).

110 Complex visual signals as effective means of signalling, however, may reach a limit at
111 which further increasing of complexity will not have any bearing on effectiveness of interaction
112 with the recipient. Another way, in which signallers can influence efficiency of their signalling is
113 by stimulating the reward system of the recipient. By making a gesture rewarding, signaller
114 enhances recipient's commitment to the interaction, thereby making these social relationships
115 possible. Such circumstances, for instance, may be present in complex social settings, whereby
116 presence of other conspecifics in vicinity, provides competitive background against which
117 signaller competes for attention of the recipient. By increasing their rewarding value, signals
118 become more pleasurable to the receivers and to that extent become more capable of evoking a
119 response from the recipient. During grooming, chimpanzees sometimes direct visual gestures to
120 make the recipient present body for grooming, but when recipient is unresponsive they switch to
121 gentle, but more intense tactile gestures to achieve their goal (A. I. Roberts, Vick, & Buchanan-
122 Smith, 2013). Higher intensity signals are more perceivable by the receivers and by virtue of
123 being more intense can exert greater influence on the recipient (Zahavi & Zahavi, 1997).
124 Subordinate male chimpanzees for instance, use visual gestures designed to attract female for
125 mating in absence of visual attention from the dominant male, but these gestures become intense
126 and loud when the female is unresponsive because the dominant male is watching the interaction
127 (A. I. Roberts & Roberts, 2015). High intensity however, can reduce or even reverse the

128 preference for signals that are based on complexity of structure hence high intensity signals can
129 become less complex (Gerhardt & Doherty, 1988). For instance, chimpanzee visual gestures are
130 often accompanied by high complexity such as use of mutual attention, low intensity call or
131 synchronized call in contrast to tactile and auditory gestures that are less often accompanied by
132 these characteristics (S. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2018).

133 Final issue of importance for establishing which communication characteristics can
134 influence preference for social affiliation is the positive versus negative communication style.
135 Maestriperi and colleagues (1999, 2005) were amongst the first to recognize that affiliative as
136 opposed to antagonistic gestural communication was of profound importance to the likelihood
137 of social affiliation. Comparing three species of macaques with different social styles, they were
138 able to show that more tolerant macaque species where the influence of kinship on social
139 relationships was reduced displayed a larger repertoire of affiliative communication when
140 compared to less tolerant macaque species where the influence of kinship was stronger. In more
141 tolerant macaque species social interactions can easily disintegrate in response to exposure to
142 aggression demanding higher investment in repair through affiliative communication. More
143 recently, a study of a wild chimpanzee group showed that higher rates of affiliative gestural
144 communication relative to antagonistic gestural communication predict a longer duration of time
145 spent in proximity (S. G. B. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2016).

146 Chimpanzees, *Pan troglodytes*, are particularly good model species to illustrate how gestural
147 communication affects primate social affiliation. Chimpanzees, live in large, fission-fusion social
148 groups of up to 120 individuals, associating and affiliating in subgroups of varying duration and
149 composition (Goodall, 1986). Due to fission-fusion nature of social system, mother and maternal
150 kin are often unavailable as social partners demanding that chimpanzees form social bonds with
151 unrelated group members (Goldberg & Wrangham, 1997; John C Mitani et al., 2002). The
152 chimpanzees derive fitness benefits of social affiliation with unrelated group members in many

153 different contexts such as grooming, coalitions, sharing meat, and hunting (Boesch, 1996;
154 Foerster et al., 2015; Goldberg & Wrangham, 1997; K. E. Langergraber, Mitani, & Vigilant,
155 2007). Recent research has generated proofs that gestural communication of chimpanzees can
156 influence preference for social affiliation. For example, recent studies have demonstrated the link
157 between proximity measures (an index of sociality) and a number of different indices of
158 communicative complexity such as intentionality (A. I. Roberts, 2018; A. I. Roberts & S. G. B.
159 Roberts, 2018), repertoire size (A. I. Roberts, Chakrabarti, & Roberts, 2019) and multimodality
160 (S. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2018). Whereas the role of gestures in maintaining proximity has
161 been made clear, the role of gestural communication has received only limited research attention
162 with regard to its influence on any other aspect of social affiliation in primates. However, in
163 order to develop a deeper understanding of the factors driving social relationships, several
164 measures of the social complexity are needed. As well as proximity, primates use visual attention
165 to monitor conspecifics and also preferentially associate with others during grooming, feeding,
166 resting and travel (Nishida, Zamma, Matsusaka, Inaba, & McGrew, 2010). All these different
167 modes of interaction contribute to forming social relationships (Hinde, 1976). Studies which only
168 focus on one behavioural aspect may therefore miss important features of social relationships.

169 Here we provide first systematic test of the hypothesis that gestural communication can
170 influence preference of the recipient to form social relationships with the signaller. First, to test
171 this hypothesis we use social network analysis to determine the link between communication and
172 social bonding behaviours. Social network analysis represents individuals as nodes (e.g. individual
173 A or B) and the social relationships (e.g. duration of time spent travelling, per hour spent within
174 10 m between AB dyad) as the edge or a 'tie'. Social network analysis examines how increase in
175 the value of one variable produced by a dyad is associated with the increase or decrease in the
176 value of another variable by a dyad (Croft, James, & Krause, 2010). For instance, if individual A
177 directs tactile gestures and grooming at the individual B, then social network analysis can
178 determine whether the rate of tactile gestures directed by individual A at the individual B is

179 associated with increase or decrease in the duration of time individual A spends grooming
180 individual B.

181 It has long been established that animal signals evolve to function effectively in a
182 particular social environment. The variation in the conflict of interest between signaler and the
183 recipient is reflected in how effectively different types of gesturing can influence social bonding.
184 When social bonds are weaker, and the conflict of interest between signaler and the recipient is
185 high, chimpanzees use more effective, and intense gestures (e.g. tactile, auditory). In contrast,
186 when the social bonds are stronger and the conflict of interest is low, chimpanzees use less
187 effective and less intense gestures (e.g. visual). However, intensity of gestures affects the
188 specificity with which signaller can convey their goal of the interaction. Low intensity, visual
189 gestures are less specific to context than more intense tactile or auditory gestures. Lack of
190 specificity may affect the recipient's ability to effectively decode signal meaning and thus respond
191 adaptively. One would therefore predict that communicative complexity would more likely co-
192 occur with less intense gestures (e.g. visual) than with more intense gestures to enable the
193 signaller to increase specificity of the gestures so that the recipient can decode signal meaning.
194 Thus, one may predict that low intensity, complex signals will co-occur with indices of stronger
195 social bonding (e.g. mutual grooming, joint travel), whereas higher intensity, non-complex signals
196 will co-occur with indices of weaker social bonding (e.g. unidirectional grooming). In addition, it
197 seems reasonable to assume that style of the gestural communication will affect the efficiency
198 with which individuals can form social relationships. For instance, more bonded partners may
199 exhibit a higher rate of gestures used in affiliation contexts as compared with antagonistic
200 contexts because signaller gestures affiliatively to increase duration of social bonding. However,
201 to date, this association between social relationships and complexity of gestural communication
202 has not been examined systematically.

203 Second, we determine whether displacement behaviours such as self-scratching that help
204 primates cope with anxiety (Aureli & Schaik, 1991; Baker & Aureli, 1997; Castles & Whiten,
205 1998; Diezinger & Anderson, 1986; Schino, Perretta, Taglioni, Monaco, & Troisi, 1996) are
206 associated with gestural communication that facilitates social bonding. Studies of long-tailed
207 macaques (Aureli & Schaik, 1991), olive baboons (Castles & Whiten, 1998) and chimpanzees
208 (Baker & Aureli, 1997) have all used scratching to reliably estimate primate's level of anxiety.
209 Chimpanzees may experience increased anxiety in situations of social uncertainty linked to
210 presence of unpredictable social partners with whom social interactions are infrequent or
211 dominance relationships have been unresolved (Aureli, 1997; Schino, Scucchi, Maestriperi, &
212 Turillazzi, 1988). In this case, one may predict that communication aimed at these social partners
213 may be associated with higher rate of signaller's displacement activity. Furthermore, chimpanzees
214 may experience reduced anxiety in response to communication that has a rewarding property.
215 For instance, vocal communication can prompt a surge in the production of social
216 neurohormones in the recipient, such as a surge of oxytocin that relieves anxiety (Feldman,
217 Gordon, & Zagoory-Sharon, 2011). In this case, it would be predicted that communication
218 associated with weaker social bonds would be associated with reduced rate of displacement
219 activity in the recipient.

220 **Methods**

221 Twelve adult East African chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes schweinfurthii*) (6 males and 6
222 females) were observed for a mean (SD) duration of 751.5 (250.9) min per each focal individual
223 (Table 1). The sample included almost all of the uninjured adult males in the community and to
224 match the sample size of the males, a similar number of uninjured females was chosen as focal
225 individuals. The subjects were chosen on the basis that they were lacking physical injury, because
226 the injuries such as deformation of the hand by the snare can influence the type of
227 communication used. Moreover, the sample of males and females was matched as closely as

228 possible in terms of rank categories, including three low ranking and three high ranking males
229 and females).

230 The chimpanzees lived in the tropical forest, Sonso community at the Budongo
231 Conservation Field Station in Uganda, East Africa. The data was collected during 18 minute
232 focal animal follows, consisting of 9 scans at 2 minute intervals, recording the activity of the
233 focal individual (grooming, travel, resting, feeding), the visual attention, activity and proximity of
234 the nearest neighbor and the identity of all individuals present within 10 m (see Table 2 for
235 definitions). Chimpanzees in the wild, especially when present in large parties, can change
236 behavior and activity frequently. Thus, in order to reduce variability within samples, a focal
237 follow of 18 minute duration was chosen. Gestures were recorded continuously using a digital
238 video camera, verbally recording directly onto the footage the identity and the behavior of the
239 signaler and recipient, along with the goal directedness in the behavior and the functional
240 context.

241 Using the video footage, the inventory identified gestures as acts of non-verbal behavior
242 that were expressive movements of the limbs, head or the body posture that were intentional,
243 communicative and mechanically ineffective. The detailed description of intentionality coding,
244 along with the video clips of each gesture type, has been described previously (A. I. Roberts,
245 Roberts, & Vick, 2014; A. I. Roberts, Vick, & Buchanan-Smith, 2012; A.I. Roberts et al., 2012).
246 Validation of the coding procedure was established by a second coder and reliability (Kappa
247 coefficient, K) was good for function ($K = 0.70$), modality of gesturing ($K = 0.946$) and
248 intentionality ($K = 0.74$) (S. G. B. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2016). The behavioural measures
249 (e.g. joint feeding, mutual grooming) were calculated as the duration of time pairs of
250 chimpanzees engaged in these behaviors, per hour they spent within 10 m. The definitions as
251 well as mean \pm SD for all variables entered into the models can be found in Tables 2 and 3.
252 Dyads were classified according to maternal kinship, sex, age class and reproductive state. All

253 communication measures were calculated as a rate per hour chimpanzees spent within 10 m (see
254 Supplementary Table 1 for definitions).

255 The rates of communication and durations of behavior were used to construct weighted,
256 directed networks. The data was transformed and analyzed using UCINET 6 for Windows
257 (Borgatti, Everett, & Johnson, 2013). The data used in social network matrices is dependent and
258 therefore analysis using randomization (or permutation) have been developed, where the
259 observed value is compared against a distribution of values generated by a large number of
260 random permutations of the networks. The p value is calculated by calculating the proportion of
261 random permutations in which a value as large (or as small) as the one observed is present. The
262 relationships between networks were analyzed using Multiple Regression Quadratic Assignment
263 Procedure (MRQAP) (Borgatti et al., 2013). This regression technique resembles a standard
264 regression model as it enables us to examine the association between a number of predictor
265 variables (e.g. rates of gestural communication between dyads, control variables relating to sex
266 and age differences of dyads) and a single dependent variable (e.g. duration of proximity between
267 dyads). We used Double Dekker Semi Partialling MRQAP regression as it is more robust against
268 the effects of network autocorrelation and skewness in the dataset than other forms of network
269 regression (Dekker, Krackhardt, & Snijders, 2007). For this analysis, 2,000 permutations were
270 used following the settings of UCINET.

271 Running large numbers of models risks inflating significance levels (Field, 2013). To
272 address this issue, following the methods used by Pearce et al. (2017), we examined whether the
273 overall distribution of significant results varied across the different domains of sociality (joint
274 activity, grooming, visual attention, proximity and scratch) and behavioural categories. These
275 data are not subject to potential problems arising from multiple comparisons effects because the
276 p value is used to categorise the results in each category as statistically significant or not, and one
277 chi-square test is then carried out on the overall distribution of results (Pearce et al., 2017). Thus,

278 we used a Chi-square test to examine the overall pattern of association between the behavioral
279 indices and gestural communication. Following the same method as Pearce et al. (2017), this
280 allowed us to examine whether the significant associations between gestural communication and
281 behavior showed a distinct pattern, with certain types of gestural communication associated with
282 specific behavioral indices more commonly than would be expected, as compared to a random
283 distribution. This method is used as an alternative to Bonferroni correction when the multiple
284 comparisons prevent the Bonferroni correction being used (M. J. Silk, Jackson, Croft, Colhoun,
285 & Bearhop, 2015). We created contingency table whereby we included percentage of significant
286 associations ($p < 0.05$) with each variable within each domain of social complexity
287 (Supplementary Table 2). The results showed that the distribution of significant associations was
288 non-random ($\chi^2 = 364.90$, $df = 60$, $p < 0.001$). This demonstrated that the significant results
289 were not randomly distributed across the different domains of sociality, suggesting that different
290 types of gestural communication are differentially associated with the types of sociality. In all
291 tests, two-tailed probabilities were used, with p set at < 0.05 . Supplementary Information 2 gives
292 a summary of these findings, with the full models provided in Supplementary Information 1
293 (Tables S3 – S19).

294 **Results**

295 Based on our 12 focal subjects, we studied directed patterns of social behaviour in pairs
296 of chimpanzees, giving 132 unique dyadic relationships (e.g. the duration of grooming given by
297 BB to HW, and the duration of grooming given by HW to BB). There was a great deal of
298 variation in the rate of social behaviours amongst the dyads and across the different behaviours,
299 as indicated by the fact that for all of the behaviours the standard deviation was larger than the
300 mean (Table 2). Per hour spent within 10 m, the mean \pm SD number of minutes dyads spent in
301 social behaviours ranged between 0.44 ± 1.58 spent in joint travel and 6.16 ± 10.05 spent in close
302 proximity (within 2 m). Dyads scratched at a mean rate \pm SD of 0.64 ± 1.68 instances of

303 scratching, per hour spent within 10 m. Similarly for the communication indices, there was a
304 large amount of variation between dyads, with lowest mean \pm SD rate of behaviour for gestures
305 accompanied by facial expression (0.09 ± 0.52) and the highest mean \pm SD rate of events (3.18
306 ± 7.82) – Supplementary Table 2.

307 **Association between the duration of social behaviour and gestural communication** 308 **categorized according to structure**

309 In the next set of analyses, we used MRQAP network regression analyses to examine how the
310 duration of social behaviours (the dependent variable in all the models) was associated with the
311 rate of different types of gestural communication and demography (see Figures 1 and 2 for visual
312 representation of the networks).

313 *Joint feeding*

314 Same sex dyads ($\beta = 0.31, p = 0.001$), kin ($\beta = 0.29, p = 0.010$) and same reproductive status (β
315 $= 0.22, p = 0.040$) dyads spent a significantly longer amount of time engaged in joint feeding, as
316 compared to different sex dyads, unrelated dyads or different reproductive status dyads. Dyads
317 who spent a longer amount of time jointly feeding had a significantly higher rate of auditory
318 short-range gestures ($\beta = 0.21, p = 0.040$) and significantly lower rate of tactile gestural
319 communication ($\beta = -0.22, p = 0.004$).

320 *Joint resting*

321 Same age dyads, as compared to different age dyads, spent a significantly longer amount of time
322 engaged in joint resting ($\beta = 0.29, p = 0.003$). There was a positive association between the
323 duration of time spent in joint resting and the rate of auditory short-range ($\beta = 0.13, p = 0.040$)
324 and close proximity ($\beta = 0.12, p = 0.046$) gestures.

325 *Joint travel*

326 Same-age dyads, as compared to different-age dyads, spent a significantly longer amount of time
327 jointly travelling ($\beta = 0.28, p = 0.010$). Further, the duration of joint travel was positively
328 associated with a higher rate of gestural communication without objects ($\beta = 0.47, p = 0.005$),
329 visual ($\beta = 0.62, p = 0.010$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.020$) and multimodal with facial
330 expression ($\beta = 0.30, p = 0.020$), combined ($\beta = 0.41, p = 0.004$), accompanied by mutual
331 attention present ($\beta = 0.37, p = 0.010$), bodily ($\beta = 0.50, p = 0.003$), manual indicative ($\beta = 0.42,$
332 $p = 0.011$), close ($\beta = 0.27, p = 0.015$) and far ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.013$), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.55, p =$
333 0.006), homogeneous ($\beta = 0.43, p = 0.010$), single (no sequence) ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.026$), rapid ($\beta =$
334 $0.20, p = 0.020$) and persistence sequence ($\beta = 0.14, p = 0.045$), and accompanied by piloerection
335 ($\beta = 0.38, p = 0.006$), The repertoire size of gesture types ($\beta = 0.34, p = 0.010$) and number of
336 events exchanged by each dyad ($\beta = 0.39, p = 0.003$) was positively associated with the duration
337 of joint travel. In contrast, a higher rate of auditory long-range gestures was associated with
338 shorter durations of time spent in joint travel ($\beta = -0.28, p = 0.010$).

339 *Grooming given*

340 Same-age dyads spent significantly longer engaged in giving grooming ($\beta = 0.21, p = 0.020$). The
341 duration of time spent giving grooming was positively associated with a higher rate of
342 production of following categories of gestural communication: no object ($\beta = 0.64, p = 0.001$),
343 auditory short-range ($\beta = 0.73, p = 0.001$), auditory long-range ($\beta = 0.19, p = 0.010$), tactile ($\beta =$
344 $0.41, p = 0.001$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.75, p = 0.001$), dyadic repertoire size ($\beta = 0.26, p = 0.020$),
345 single (non-combined) ($\beta = 0.64, p = 0.001$), mutual attention absent ($\beta = 0.78, p = 0.001$),
346 bodily ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.023$), manual ($\beta = 0.29, p = 0.016$), events ($\beta = 0.46, p = 0.002$), manual
347 indicative ($\beta = 0.17, p = 0.036$), manual non-indicative ($\beta = 0.35, p = 0.014$), close ($\beta = 0.76, p =$
348 0.001), repetitive ($\beta = 0.60, p = 0.001$), homogenous ($\beta = 0.52, p = 0.004$) and single (no
349 sequence) ($\beta = 0.66, p = 0.001$). In contrast, the dyads who spent a shorter duration of time
350 giving grooming communicated at a higher rate through the use of objects ($\beta = -0.20, p = 0.010$),

351 visual gesture ($\beta = -0.26, p = 0.010$), multimodal (facial expression) ($\beta = -0.23, p = 0.010$),
352 combined ($\beta = -0.19, p = 0.020$), mutual attention present ($\beta = -0.11, p = 0.040$) and far ($\beta = -$
353 $0.11, p = 0.012$).

354 *Grooming mutual*

355 Same age dyad partners spent a longer duration of time mutually grooming ($\beta = 0.20, p = 0.049$).

356 A longer duration of time spent mutually grooming was also associated with a higher rate of the
357 following gesture types: no object ($\beta = 0.64, p < 0.001$), visual ($\beta = 0.88, p < 0.001$), unimodal (β
358 $= 0.27, p = 0.020$), multimodal (facial expression) ($\beta = 0.44, p = 0.002$), dyadic repertoire size (β
359 $= 0.45, p = 0.003$), combined ($\beta = 0.40, p = 0.003$), mutual attention present ($\beta = 0.63, p =$
360 0.001), bodily ($\beta = 0.58, p = 0.001$), events ($\beta = 0.45, p = 0.003$), manual indicative ($\beta = 0.56, p =$
361 0.001), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.72, p = 0.001$), homogeneous ($\beta = 0.60, p < 0.001$), close ($\beta = 0.38,$
362 $p = 0.004$), far ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.018$), single (no sequence) ($\beta = 0.33, p = 0.012$), rapid ($\beta = 0.16, p$
363 $= 0.041$) and persistence sequence ($\beta = 0.16, p = 0.030$) and piloerection ($\beta = 0.42, p = 0.004$).

364 In contrast, a higher rate of gestures object ($\beta = -0.15, p = 0.020$), auditory long range ($\beta = -0.51,$
365 $p < 0.001$), repetitive ($\beta = -0.18, p = 0.004$) and heterogeneous ($\beta = -0.15, p = 0.016$) predicted a
366 shorter duration of time spent mutually grooming.

367 *Grooming received*

368 Same-sex dyads, compared to different-sex dyads, spent a significantly longer amount of time
369 receiving grooming ($\beta = 0.20, p = 0.030$). Individuals who received a longer duration of
370 grooming from the dyad partners produced gestures with no object ($\beta = 0.22, p = 0.040$), visual
371 ($\beta = 0.50, p = 0.020$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.25, p = 0.040$), bodily ($\beta = 0.25, p = 0.036$), manual
372 indicative ($\beta = 0.17, p = 0.046$), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.20, p = 0.035$) and homogeneous ($\beta = 0.17,$
373 $p = 0.048$) at a higher rate. However, individuals who received a shorter duration of grooming
374 from the dyad partner directed auditory long range ($\beta = -0.27, p = 0.020$) and tactile ($\beta = -0.20, p$
375 < 0.001) gestures at them at a higher rate.

376 *Attention present*

377 Presence of mutual attention occurred between dyads of same-sex ($\beta = 0.30, p = 0.010$) and
378 same reproductive status ($\beta = 0.28, p = 0.040$) at a higher rate. Individuals who spent longer
379 duration of time mutually attending with the dyad partner displayed a significantly higher rate of
380 gestures with no object ($\beta = 0.69, p < 0.001$), visual ($\beta = 0.75, p < 0.001$), auditory short-range (β
381 $= 0.24, p = 0.010$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.44, p < 0.001$), multimodal (facial expression) ($\beta = 0.31, p =$
382 0.003), dyadic repertoire size ($\beta = 0.42, p = 0.002$), single (non-combined) ($\beta = 0.29, p = 0.004$),
383 combined ($\beta = 0.30, p = 0.002$), mutual attention present ($\beta = 0.56, p < 0.001$), bodily ($\beta = 0.54,$
384 $p = 0.001$), events ($\beta = 0.47, p = 0.001$), manual indicative ($\beta = 0.54, p = 0.001$), close ($\beta = 0.50,$
385 $p = 0.001$), far ($\beta = 0.13, p = 0.045$), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.56, p = 0.004$), homogeneous ($\beta =$
386 $0.60, p = 0.001$), single (no sequence) ($\beta = 0.47, p = 0.001$) and piloerection ($\beta = 0.35, p = 0.005$).
387 In contrast, individuals who spent a shorter duration of time mutually attending with the dyad
388 partner displayed a significantly higher rate of gestures with object ($\beta = -0.18, p = 0.003$),
389 auditory long-range ($\beta = -0.44, p < 0.001$), multimodal (vocal) ($\beta = -0.09, p < 0.049$) and
390 heterogeneous ($\beta = -0.09, p = 0.046$).

391 *Attention absent*

392 Same-aged dyad partners spent a longer duration of time mutually non-attending towards one
393 another as compared to different age partners ($\beta = 0.36, p = 0.001$). The duration of time dyad
394 partners spent mutually non-attending was positively associated with the rates of gestures with
395 no object ($\beta = 0.24, p = 0.028$), auditory short-range ($\beta = 0.29, p = 0.011$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.27, p$
396 $= 0.024$), single (non-combined) ($\beta = 0.18, p = 0.045$), mutual attention absent ($\beta = 0.28, p =$
397 0.015), events ($\beta = 0.15, p = 0.049$), close ($\beta = 0.28, p = 0.021$), single (no sequence) ($\beta = 0.23, p$
398 $= 0.026$) and homogeneous ($\beta = 0.17, p = 0.043$).

399 *Proximity*

400 In comparison with different-age dyad partners, same-age dyad partners ($\beta = 0.32, p < 0.001$)
401 spent a significantly longer duration of time in close proximity (within 2 m). There was a
402 significant positive association between the duration of time spent in close proximity and a
403 higher rate of a wide range of communication: no object ($\beta = 0.56, p < 0.001$), visual ($\beta = 0.45, p$
404 $= 0.010$), auditory short-range ($\beta = 0.34, p = 0.010$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.44, p = 0.001$), multimodal
405 (facial expression) ($\beta = 0.14, p = 0.049$), dyadic repertoire size ($\beta = 0.28, p = 0.010$), combined (β
406 $= 0.29, p = 0.010$), mutual attention absent ($\beta = 0.26, p = 0.010$), mutual attention present ($\beta =$
407 $0.30, p = 0.010$), bodily ($\beta = 0.40, p = 0.003$), events ($\beta = 0.37, p = 0.003$), manual indicative ($\beta =$
408 $0.37, p = 0.007$), close ($\beta = 0.48, p = 0.001$), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.33, p = 0.012$), homogeneous
409 ($\beta = 0.45, p < 0.001$), single (no sequence) ($\beta = 0.42, p < 0.001$) and piloerection ($\beta = 0.21, p =$
410 0.027). In contrast, there was a significant negative association between the duration of time
411 spent in close proximity and the rate of gestures using object ($\beta = 0.17, p = 0.003$), auditory
412 long-range ($\beta = -0.27, p = 0.010$) and multimodal (vocal) ($\beta = -0.11, p = 0.040$).

413 *Scratch produced*

414 We further examined how the rate of scratch produced was related to the rates of
415 communication using MRQAP (Fig. 1). Same-sex dyad partners had a higher rate of scratch
416 produced than different-sex dyad partners ($\beta = 0.20, p = 0.039$). A higher rates of scratch
417 produced were positively associated with higher rates of the following types of gestures: no
418 object ($\beta = 0.40, p = 0.004$), visual ($\beta = 0.48, p = 0.008$), unimodal ($\beta = 0.18, p = 0.049$),
419 multimodal (facial expression) ($\beta = 0.18, p = 0.042$), dyadic repertoire size ($\beta = 0.35, p = 0.002$),
420 single (non-combined) ($\beta = 0.25, p = 0.016$), mutual attention present ($\beta = 0.52, p = 0.001$),
421 bodily ($\beta = 0.54, p < 0.001$), events ($\beta = 0.36, p = 0.003$), manual indicative ($\beta = 0.40, p = 0.003$),
422 close ($\beta = 0.21, p = 0.023$), far ($\beta = 0.24, p = 0.001$), non-repetitive ($\beta = 0.41, p = 0.004$),
423 homogeneous ($\beta = 0.37, p = 0.002$), persistence ($\beta = 0.57, p < 0.001$) and piloerection ($\beta = 0.23,$
424 $p = 0.022$). There was a significant negative association between rates of scratch produced and

425 the rates of auditory long-range ($\beta = -0.16, p = 0.046$) and manual ($\beta = -0.18, p = 0.011$)
426 gestures.

427 *Scratch received*

428 Same-sex dyad partners had a higher rate of scratch received than different-sex dyad partners (β
429 $= 0.20, p = 0.043$). There was a significant negative association between rate of scratch received
430 and the rate of auditory short-range gestures ($\beta = -0.010, p = 0.049$), gestures accompanied by
431 mutual attention absent ($\beta = -0.13, p = 0.049$), close proximity ($\beta = -0.11, p = 0.048$), repetitive
432 ($\beta = -0.44, p = 0.044$) and single (no sequence) ($\beta = -0.14, p = 0.044$) gestures.

433 **Association between the duration of social behaviour and gestural communication**
434 **categorized according to function**

435 We examined whether the duration of social behaviours (the dependent variable in all the
436 models) was associated with the rate of different types of gestural communication categorized
437 according to function. Chimpanzee dyads that produced higher rates of gesture threat to
438 dominate spent a shorter duration of time jointly feeding ($\beta = -0.50, p = 0.045$), mutually
439 grooming ($\beta = -0.65, p = 0.006$) and visually attending to each other ($\beta = -0.64, p = 0.004$).
440 Gestures to give groom predicted a longer duration of time spent in jointly feeding ($\beta = 0.17, p$
441 $= 0.039$), giving grooming ($\beta = 0.69, p < 0.001$), attention present ($\beta = 0.25, p = 0.011$) and
442 absent ($\beta = 0.24, p = 0.019$), proximity ($\beta = 0.30, p = 0.007$). Further gestures to give groom
443 elicited significantly lower rates of scratch received ($\beta = -0.15, p = 0.020$). Chimpanzee dyads
444 that had higher rates of gestures in the context of mutual grooming spent a longer duration of
445 time in mutual grooming ($\beta = 1.14, p = 0.010$) and visually attending to each other ($\beta = 0.79, p =$
446 0.025). Gestures to receive grooming were positively associated with the duration of time spent
447 jointly feeding ($\beta = 0.47, p = 0.012$), giving grooming ($\beta = 0.20, p = 0.036$), mutual grooming (β
448 $= 0.53, p = 0.008$), receiving grooming ($\beta = 0.90, p = 0.001$), attention present ($\beta = 0.51, p =$
449 0.001) and absent ($\beta = 0.38, p = 0.022$) and proximity ($\beta = 0.55, p = 0.006$). Higher rate of other

450 threat gestures was negatively associated with a longer duration of time spent giving grooming (β
451 = -0.06, $p = 0.029$) and were positively associated with a higher rate of scratch produced ($\beta =$
452 0.48, $p = 0.002$). Synchronized high-intensity panthoot was negatively associated with attention
453 absent ($\beta = -0.09$, $p = 0.049$), proximity ($\beta = -0.10$, $p = 0.012$) and scratch received ($\beta = -0.13$, p
454 = 0.019). Synchronized low-intensity panthoot was positively associated with joint feeding ($\beta =$
455 0.14, $p = 0.043$), travel ($\beta = 0.26$, $p = 0.012$), attention present ($\beta = 0.10$, $p = 0.048$) and absent
456 ($\beta = 0.13$, $p = 0.035$) and proximity ($\beta = 0.14$, $p = 0.023$). A higher rates of play gestures were
457 positively associated with the duration of give grooming ($\beta = 0.10$, $p = 0.010$) and negatively
458 associated with the duration of time spent jointly feeding ($\beta = -0.19$, $p = 0.004$), mutual ($\beta = -$
459 0.10, $p = 0.012$) and received grooming ($\beta = -0.20$, $p = 0.002$), attention present ($\beta = -0.09$, $p =$
460 0.017) and proximity ($\beta = -0.08$, $p = 0.046$). Higher rates of greeting gestures were associated
461 with a longer duration of time spent giving grooming ($\beta = 0.11$, $p = 0.025$) and a shorter
462 duration of time spent receiving grooming ($\beta = -0.08$, $p = 0.041$). Finally, higher rates of travel
463 gestures were positively associated with a longer duration of time spent giving grooming ($\beta =$
464 0.10, $p = 0.034$) and travel ($\beta = 0.10$, $p = 0.048$).

465 **Discussion**

466 Most studies of chimpanzee social relationships in the wild or in captivity focus on one
467 aspect of relationships, such as proximity (A. I. Roberts & S. G. B. Roberts, 2016; A. I. Roberts
468 & Roberts, 2017; S. G. B. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2016). Here we provide first systematic
469 evidence that chimpanzees form social relationships across many different contexts more
470 effectively with those individuals with whom they communicate through gestural
471 communication.

472 Previous research on male chimpanzees suggested that maternal kinship did not play a
473 critical role in social relationships. Thus, chimpanzees who shared the same mother did not
474 affiliate or cooperate more often than expected by chance (Goldberg & Wrangham, 1997; John

475 C Mitani et al., 2002). Although these relationships with maternal brothers appear to be
476 important in infancy, demographic constraints on general availability of maternal brothers as
477 potential coalition partners is believed to limit chimpanzee affiliation with maternal brothers
478 (Goldberg & Wrangham, 1997; John C Mitani et al., 2002). On the basis of findings on
479 affiliation and kinship among chimpanzee brothers we expected to find a weak affiliative
480 relationships within mother and the adult offspring dyads. Against our expectation we found that
481 mother offspring dyads maintained close proximity more often than unrelated dyads in co-
482 feeding context but not other contexts. Although adult chimpanzees and mothers appear not to
483 affiliate, they nonetheless remain in proximity in competitive contexts. This raises an important
484 question as to why adult offspring chimpanzees co-feed with mothers if they do not affiliate with
485 them. Research across chimpanzee populations in Africa shows that both adult male and female
486 chimpanzees experience high levels of competition for plant food suggesting that these costs
487 may be reduced by co-feeding with kin (Muller, 2002). Females who are unable to monopolize
488 feeding site alone may engage in co-feeding with adult sons or daughters, thus enhancing their
489 feeding success. In humans, unrelated individuals cooperate contingent upon strength of a social
490 bond (friendship) and potential for reciprocity, whereas kinship has a direct effect on level of
491 cooperation that is independent of social bond strength or reciprocity - the phenomenon termed
492 'kinship premium' (Curry, Roberts, & Dunbar, 2013). Kinship is more resilient to decay
493 overtime, whereas friendships require more investment into social contact to maintain them at a
494 level of strong social bonding (S. G. Roberts & Dunbar, 2011). The current finding in the
495 chimpanzees that co-feeding with kin occurs in absence of affiliation, suggests that one might
496 expect a similar effect of 'kinship premium' in the chimpanzees. The observations that unrelated
497 sex and reproductive cohort dyads maintain proximity during feeding in presence of affiliation
498 supports this suggestion.

499 Comparably important to kinship are relationships with partners from the same age
500 cohort (Altmann, 1979). These relationships develop in infancy through association between

501 mothers (Murray et al., 2014). Mirroring previous findings across Africa, the results show that
502 these dyads are associated with high rates of affiliation in many different contexts (K.
503 Langergraber et al., 2009; K. E. Langergraber et al., 2007; J.C. Mitani, Watts, & Muller, 2002). By
504 expectation, the positive association between co-feeding and kinship should therefore also have
505 emerged in the same age cohorts. However, these dyads differed in the patterns of co-feeding
506 from other dyads. Chimpanzees from the same age cohort did not spend more time co-feeding
507 in proximity than chimpanzees from different age cohort. Although these dyads share important
508 interactions and behaviours, these relationships appear competitive and costly, possibly due to
509 the fact that same age partners occupy similar niche and this might create greater competition.
510 For instance, studies of mountain gorillas showed that when there is a high degree of co-feeding,
511 individuals deal with competition by using different parts from the same food source (Watts,
512 1992). In contrast, same age cohort chimpanzees compete for the same food, dominance status,
513 and position in the network. Same age partners share similar rank, but this equitability may create
514 social relationships prone to decay because there is no prior consensus about the direction of
515 potential aggression (F. B. de Waal, 1986; Flack, De Waal, & Waal, 2004). Indeed, partners of the
516 same age class in rhesus macaques have been found to display high rates of both aggression and
517 affiliation (Widdig, Nurnberg, Krawczak, Streich, & Bercovitch, 2002). To uncover the extent to
518 which this lack of co-feeding in same age cohorts is generalizable to other sites it is first
519 important to examine these relationships in small and large parties of chimpanzees, as these
520 differ in the degree of feeding competition. In large parties when the feeding competition is
521 greater, chimpanzees may associate with kin to diffuse competition, but in smaller parties they
522 may well co-feed with same age partners.

523 Chimpanzees distribute their affiliative and competitive behaviour according to kinship
524 and demography. However, can gestural communication play a role if influence of these factors
525 has been discounted? In other words, are chimpanzees more affiliative than would be expected
526 by chance, if affiliation was dependent on gestural communication alone? Here our findings

527 contribute to prior research by showing that gestural communication exerts important influence
528 on patterns of social affiliation among chimpanzee dyads. After controlling for kinship and
529 demography, the data shows that chimpanzees spend longer duration of time affiliating with the
530 individuals with whom they communicate through gestures. Thus, as there is an increase in the
531 duration of time A spends in social behaviour with B, there is a corresponding increase or
532 decrease in the rate of gestural communication emitted by A to B. These findings support earlier
533 research from vocal modality which showed that sociality is associated with use of vocal
534 communication (McComb & Semple, 2005). Affiliative gestures such as gestures to initiate
535 grooming or play appear to have an especially important influence on affiliation. Affiliative
536 gestural communication positively influenced the duration of time spent in social behaviour,
537 whereas antagonistic gestural communication negatively influenced duration of time spent in
538 social behaviour. For instance, the higher rate of gestures to initiate giving grooming predicts
539 longer grooming, whereas higher rate of gestures to threaten predict shorter grooming. Thus,
540 affiliative gestures are important in maintaining social relationships and function to coordinate
541 these interactions. For instance, affiliative gestural communication is more common in socially
542 complex egalitarian pigtail macaques, than in less socially complex and despotic rhesus macaques
543 (Maestripieri, 1999).

544 However, affiliation contexts are not uniformly associated with different degrees of
545 gestural complexity but there is a vast variation in how these measures of complexity are
546 distributed across contexts. In contexts signifying stronger social bonding (e.g. mutual grooming,
547 joint travel, mutual visual monitoring) gestures are primarily of low intensity (visual or auditory
548 short range), ranging from 16 to 17 different forms, that are more complex (e.g. use of facial
549 expressions, gestures were combined with other gesture types). In contrast, in contexts signifying
550 weaker social bonding (e.g. unidirectional grooming) (Noë, 2006) gestures are of higher intensity
551 (tactile, auditory), take 13 different forms that tend to be simpler (e.g. unimodal gesture, non-

552 combined with other gesture types). Gestures given in strong social bonding contexts may
553 therefore be qualitatively different from gestures given when social bonds are weaker.

554 Why is there such a variation in gesture complexity across contexts? Is this variation
555 attributed to the efficiency with which communication can influence the recipient? The most
556 parsimonious explanation of these data is that chimpanzees in the wild are making decisions on
557 how to communicate, by choosing the gestures that can best influence the recipient in the given
558 context. Our data supports previous research suggesting that there are two key pathways to
559 achieving a greater efficiency in gestural communication. Studies in chimpanzees, showed how
560 intensity of communication can influence efficiency of social bonding in relation to its
561 effectiveness of conveying signaller's goal specifically (A. I. Roberts & S. G. B. Roberts, 2016).
562 For instance, visual bodily gestures accompanied by direct gaze and pointing, have a greater
563 success in coordinating proximity with the recipient than when using visual bodily gestures alone
564 (Conty et al., 2012; S. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2018). Thus by making low intensity, inspecific
565 gestures more complex, signallers can increase specificity of their gestures and elicit more
566 accurate response from the recipient. Another way to increase specificity of the gesture is by
567 increasing their intensity and therefore greater complexity of the gesture is not required (A. I.
568 Roberts & S. G. B. Roberts, 2016). This link between intensity of communication and specificity
569 of the response has been shown in studies of nonverbal communication in humans (Zajonc &
570 Sales, 1966). As the intensity of the signal increases, the mapping between structure of the signal
571 and the accompanying context becomes tighter enabling recipient to more accurately make the
572 association between the signal and the signaller's goal. Finally, adding rewarding property to the
573 signal may increase signal's effectiveness in conducting successful interaction (A. I. Roberts & S.
574 G. B. Roberts, 2018). These rewarding properties promote greater commitment to the
575 interaction so that the recipient is more likely to respond to the gesture.

576 The relationships based on behaviours such as mutual grooming or travel appear to be
577 more mutually appealing as shown by a longer duration of time invested in these behaviours

578 between partners who spend more time in proximity. These relationships are more common
579 between same age cohort partners – growing up together provides context whereby dyads share
580 many similarities and are highly familiar with each other. However, a whole range of signals
581 responsible for maintaining these interactions, for example visual gestures, persistence,
582 repertoire, facial expression were associated with higher rate of self-scratch, indicating higher
583 anxiety experienced by the signallers towards recipients of these gestures. One type of answer
584 that can be given to the question of why chimpanzees experienced higher anxiety in response to
585 communicating with social partners with whom they displayed a higher rate of affiliative
586 behaviour is that social relationships with these social partners have been uncertain due to
587 unresolved dominance relationships. What has long puzzled anthropologists is that dominance
588 hierarchy can sometimes lead to greater social cohesion because it enables signaller to more
589 effectively predict outcome of the interaction before they engage in the interaction with the
590 recipient (Flack, Girvan, De Waal, & Krakauer, 2006). Classical ethologists have shown very
591 clearly how lack of linear dominance hierarchy can make animal societies less predictable and
592 more aggressive (Flack, de Waal, & Krakauer, 2005) demanding complex but low intensity
593 communication to resolve ambiguity in social relationships (A. I. Roberts et al., 2019). This
594 communication can increase trust of the recipient, as it may appear more positive, therefore
595 creating a perception of a fitness rewarding intent of the signaler (Roberts & Roberts, 2016a). In
596 social relationships with dominant chimpanzees, the risks of interaction and direction of
597 potential aggression is known in advance and therefore dominance relationships increase
598 certainty by having predictable outcomes (Ay, Flack, & Krakauer, 2007; Flack et al., 2006). In
599 contrast, equitable ranks are less predictable in that both interactants are equally likely to win if
600 engaged in a fight resulting in high levels of uncertainty. The mutual appeal that draws
601 chimpanzees together in these social interactions, has been insufficient and the power of gestural
602 communication has been exploited to facilitate social interactions between these partners. Low
603 intensity signals designed to effectively convey the intentions of a signaller in a way that leads to

604 a reduction in uncertainty of the recipient about the signaller's goal encompass all common
605 signals seen in these contexts.

606 In contrast, the relationships based on behaviours such as unidirectional grooming are
607 often directed towards chimpanzees who display higher rank. Gestures made in unidirectional
608 grooming context were associated with reduced rate of self-scratching by the recipient,
609 suggesting that recipients experience reduced anxiety when receiving these gestures. This reveals
610 a possible lack of mutual appeal in these interactions as the signaller actively influences
611 recipient's positive affect to enhance its willingness to associate. As the anxiety is reduced, the
612 signaller increases recipient's commitment to the social interaction forging stronger social
613 bonding. Thus, in these contexts, in addition to conveying goals effectively through more intense
614 gestures, use of signals that increase rewards are important to succeed in engaging the recipient
615 who may otherwise not be particularly interested in the interaction.

616 The differentiated communication strategies of the chimpanzees may have evolved in
617 response to the demands imposed by competition in complex social settings. Both male and
618 female chimpanzees often compete for food and individual's ability to gain access to food can
619 influence their reproductive success (Muller, 2002). Evidence from chimpanzees indicates that
620 social variables such as party size can affect individual's relative competitive success in feeding
621 contexts. Chimpanzees in larger parties derive benefits from lower predation pressure but may
622 face a higher feeding competition than the chimpanzees in smaller parties. Competition for food
623 may therefore promote evolution of the strategies the individuals use to diffuse this competition.
624 Influential strategy includes grooming to reduce likelihood of potential aggression during co-
625 feeding. In small social groups, chimpanzees face lower social competition and thus can invest in
626 grooming with the social partners that are insecure but appealing. However, when the size of the
627 group increases, the safety of secure relationships promotes feeding efficiency and therefore
628 grooming interactions focus on these social partners. Tactile gestures that have a rewarding
629 property can compete for recipient's attention in larger groups more effectively than visual

630 gestures by being more capable of redirecting recipient's attention from the wider audience onto
631 the signaller. Furthermore, rewarding gestures may have a better coordination value by being
632 able to influence recipient's behaviour more directly through more intense and specific gestures
633 (A. I. Roberts & S. G. B. Roberts, 2016). Studies showed that when larger audience is present,
634 both rewarding and coordination properties of gestural communication facilitate longer
635 grooming and this in turn is associated with longer co-feeding in proximity (A. I. Roberts, 2018).
636 Given the time budgeting constraints on grooming (Dunbar, 1992), there may be a limit for use
637 of grooming as a tool for diffusing social competition in feeding contexts. Our data reveals that
638 chimpanzees incorporated use of objects and vocalisations when gesturing towards conspecifics
639 with whom they spent short periods of time in proximity. Similarly, use of objects such as a
640 trunk of a tree to make sounds accompanied by use of rhythmic vocalisations ('synchronized
641 high-intensity pant hoot') may potentially fulfil such a function as this communication is used
642 most often when joining feeding sites or during travel (Clark & Wrangham, 1994; S. G. B.
643 Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2016). Supporting these suggestions, our evidence shows that
644 synchronized high-intensity pant hoots were associated with reduced displacement behaviours in
645 the recipient. When social parties become large, the ability to groom with conspecifics may
646 decline and 'synchronized high-intensity pant hoot' may facilitate social cohesion by reducing
647 anxiety of the recipients (S. G. B. Roberts & A. I. Roberts, 2016). This property may draw
648 attention of the recipients from the wider audience onto the signaller facilitating longer
649 interactions such as travel or co-feeding. This finding supports research on humans (Jackson et
650 al., 2018) showing that joint, high intensity behaviours have a role in social cohesion by being
651 intensely rewarding to the dyad partners, regardless of the history of prior interaction.

652 The complexity of a social system depends on the complexity of individual relationships
653 between animals, as the individual-level social interactions scale to the emergent properties found
654 in the social system (Krause, Croft, & James, 2007). In this study we highlight the tactical
655 decisions that wild chimpanzees make in their use of gestural communication to develop and

656 maintain complexity of their social system. The selective pressures arising from maintaining this
657 social complexity is proposed to have played a key role both in the evolution of communicative
658 complexity and in the evolution of larger brains both in primates and in hominins. However,
659 detailed behavioural evidence of an association between communicative complexity and these
660 differentiated social relationships is lacking. Here we address this issue by examining how
661 different types of social behaviour relate to patterns of gestural communication. Overall, our
662 results suggest that differentiated patterns of gestural communication can help chimpanzees
663 maintain a network of differentiated social relationships, and that this may allow individual
664 primates to successfully navigate a complex social world. Future studies exploring the
665 relationship between the complexity of communication skills, sociality and brain size across a
666 range of primate species would allow for a deeper understanding of the association between
667 complex social systems and complex communication.

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855 Table 1: Focal ID, sex, year of birth, kinship and reproductive status of the 12 focal subjects
 856 included in the study.

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Focal subject ID	Sex	Age	Female reproductive status	Kinship	Total observation duration (minutes)
KU	Female	29	Pregnant	KT (son)	910
KW	Female	27	Nursing		510
ML	Female	33	Cycling		1118
NB ^b	Female	46	Cycling	MS (son)	500
RH	Female	43	Nursing	NK (son)	1038
ZM	Female	40	Cycling		710
BB	Male	21	-		516
HW	Male	15	-		1030
KT	Male	15	-	KU (mother)	1026

MS	Male	17	-	NB (mother)	524
NK ^a	Male	26	-	RH (mother)	582
SQ	Male	17	-		554

858 Notes. ^a Alpha male ^b Alpha female.

859 Table 2. Definitions, means and standard deviations (SD) for social behaviours, based on 132
 860 chimpanzee dyads. All social behaviours measured as durations (mins), per hour dyad spent
 861 within 10 m. For joint behaviours (e.g. feeding, resting, travelling) both dyad partners were
 862 engaged in the same behaviour. The behaviors are described in depth in (Nishida et al., 2010).

Behaviour ¹	Definition	Mean±SD
Joint feeding	Focal and non-focal subject consume food simultaneously	1.25±2.53
Joint resting	Focal and non-focal subject are in resting position not involved in any activity	1.56±5.73
Joint travel	Focal and non-focal subjects simultaneously relocate from one location in the habitat to another	0.44±1.58
Grooming given	Focal subject grooms non-focal subject by picking dirt and parasite from their hair.	0.69±2.33
Grooming received	Focal subject receives grooming from non-focal subject who is picking dirt and parasites from their hair.	0.67±2.55
Grooming mutual	Both focal and non-focal subject simultaneously pick dirt and parasites from hair of one another.	0.53±2.13
Attention present	Both focal and non-focal subjects are bodily oriented towards one another (one has another within field of view up to 45	3.04±5.68

	degrees body turn)	
Attention absent	Both focal and non-focal subjects are bodily oriented away from one another (one has another away from field of view up to 45 degrees body turn)	1.84±5.68
Proximity	Focal and non-focal subjects are within 2 meters of one another	6.16±10.05
Scratch produced	Focal subject rakes with the fingers through their own hair repeatedly or singly – all chimpanzee scratch (social and non-social) was included	0.64±1.68
Scratch received	Focal subject is recipient of the scratch whereby the non-focal subject rakes their own hair with the fingers through the hair repeatedly or singly (all types of scratch were included)	0.64±1.68

863 ¹ see Roberts and Roberts (2017) for contribution of each dyad to the dataset

864 Table 3. Attributes used to classify dyads

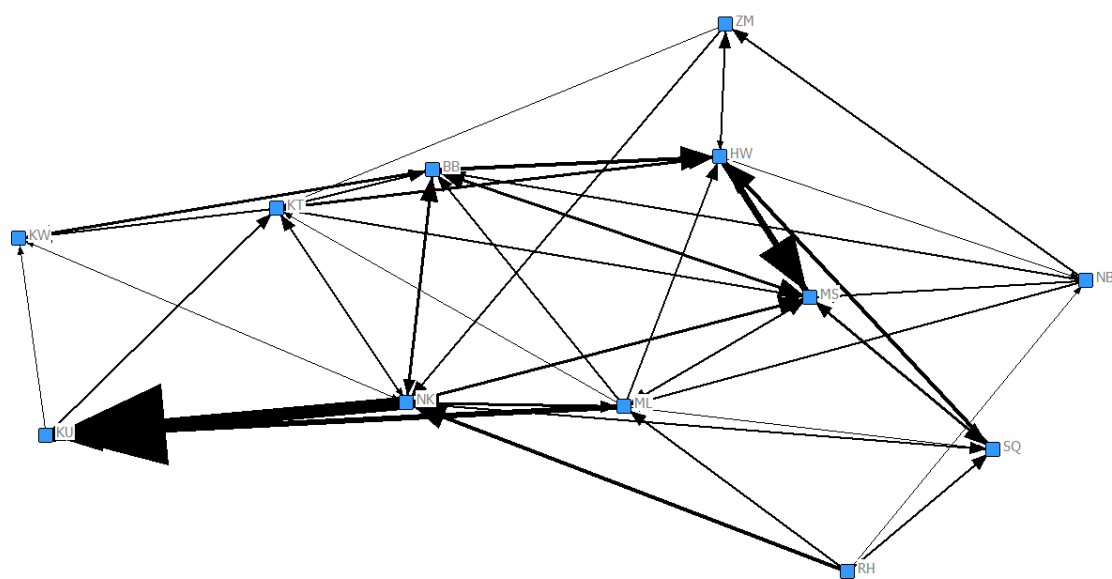
Attribute of dyad	Description
Sex difference	Sex difference between focal subject and the recipient (0 = opposite sex, 1 = same sex)
Age difference	Age difference between focal subject and the recipient: 0 = different age (more than 5 years age difference with the dyad partner), 1 = same age (up to 5 years age difference)
Reproductive state difference	Reproductive state difference between focal subject and the recipient (0 = different reproductive state: unoestrous female- oestrous female, unoestrous female-male dyad; 1 = same reproductive state: male-male, male-oestrous female, oestrous female)

	– male, unoestrous female – unoestrous female, oestrous female-oestrous female dyad, etc.)
Maternal kinship	Maternal kinship (mother-offspring or offspring-mother) presence between focal subject and the recipient (0 = absent, 1 = present)

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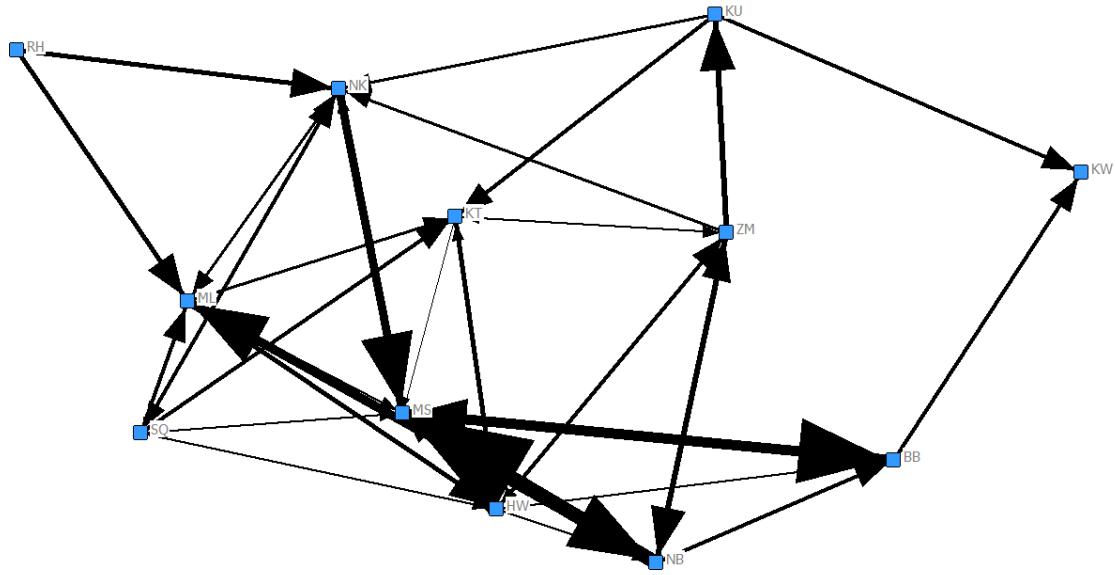
866 Figure 1. Social networks: a) attention absent, b) attention present, c) proximity, d) joint feeding,
 867 e) grooming given, f) grooming mutual, g) grooming received, h) joint resting, i) joint travel, j)
 868 scratch produced, k) scratch received

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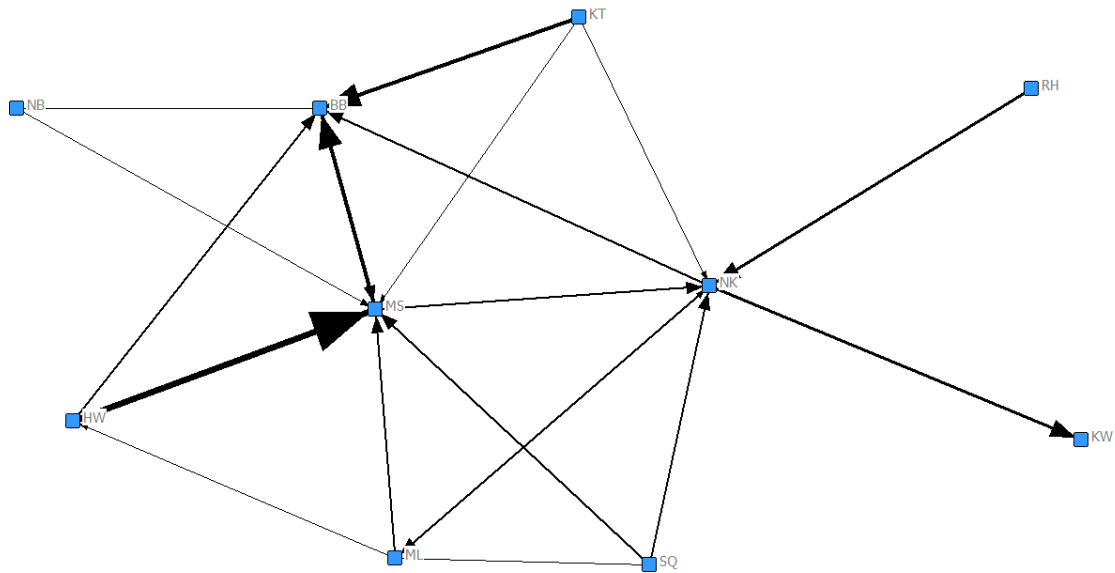
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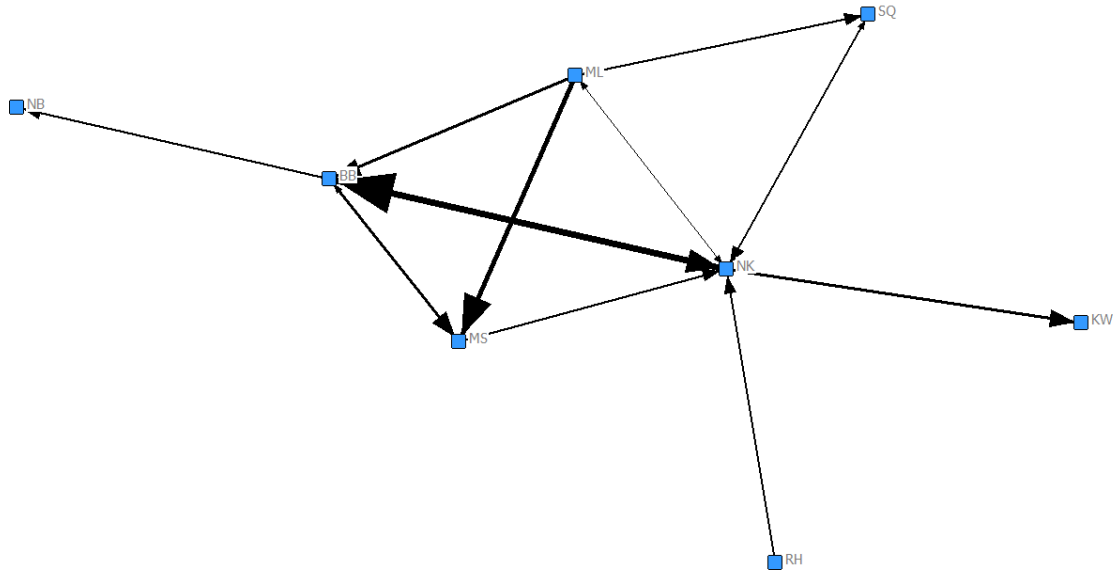
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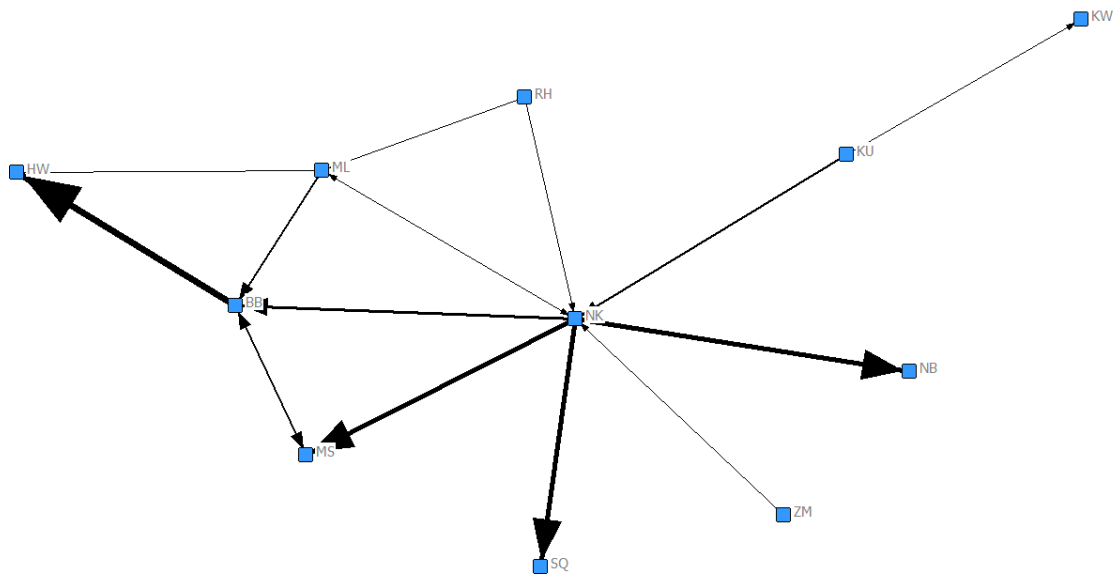
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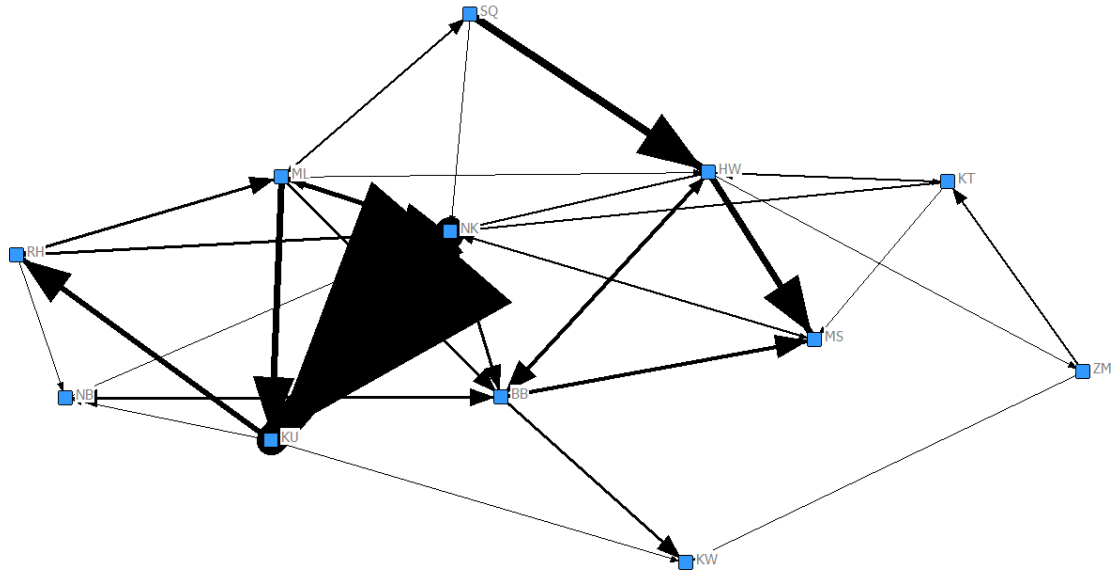
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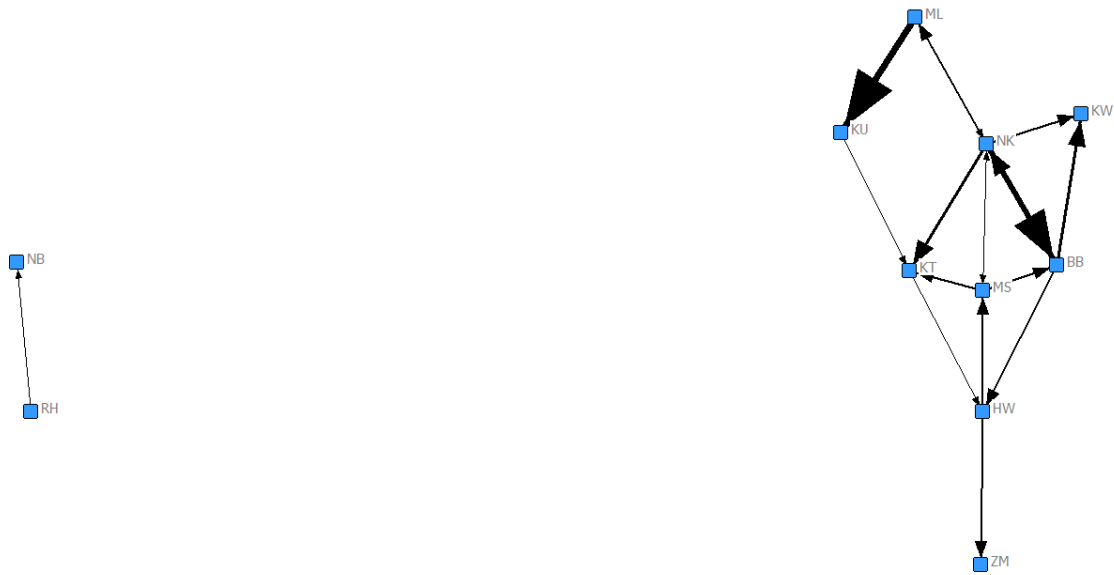
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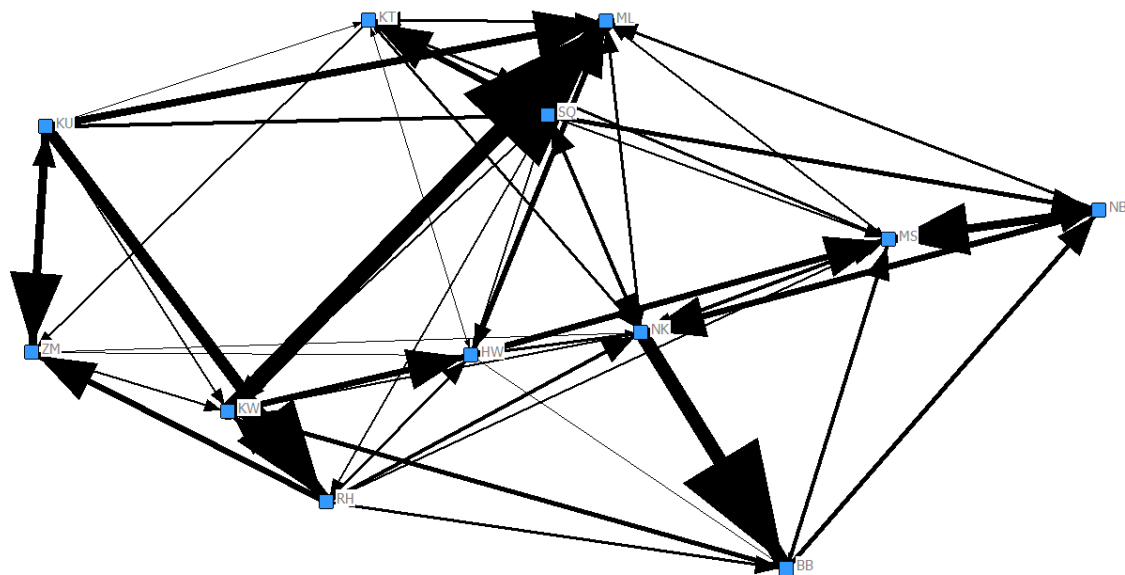
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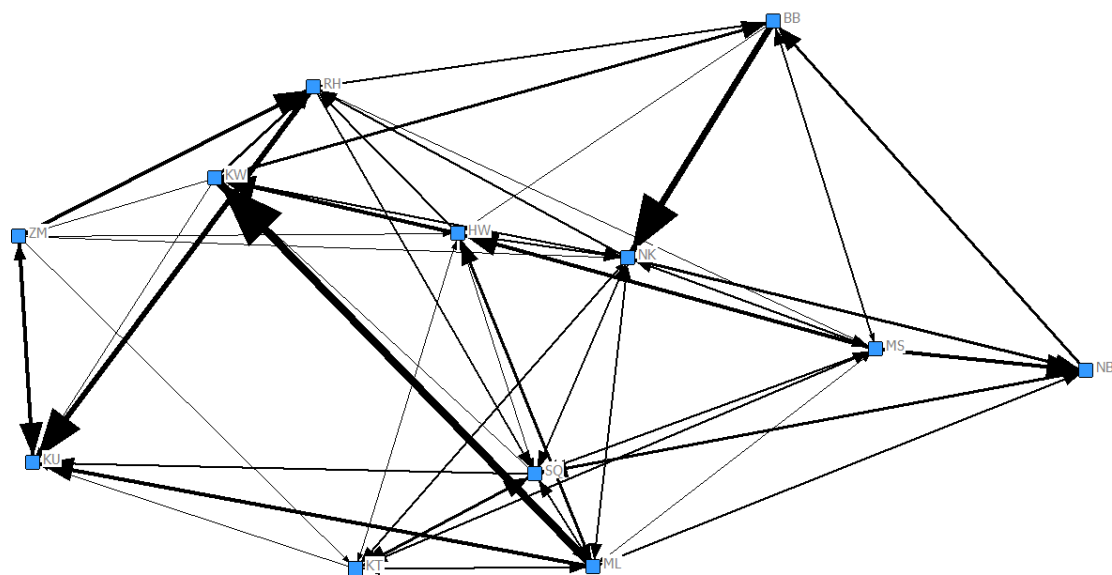
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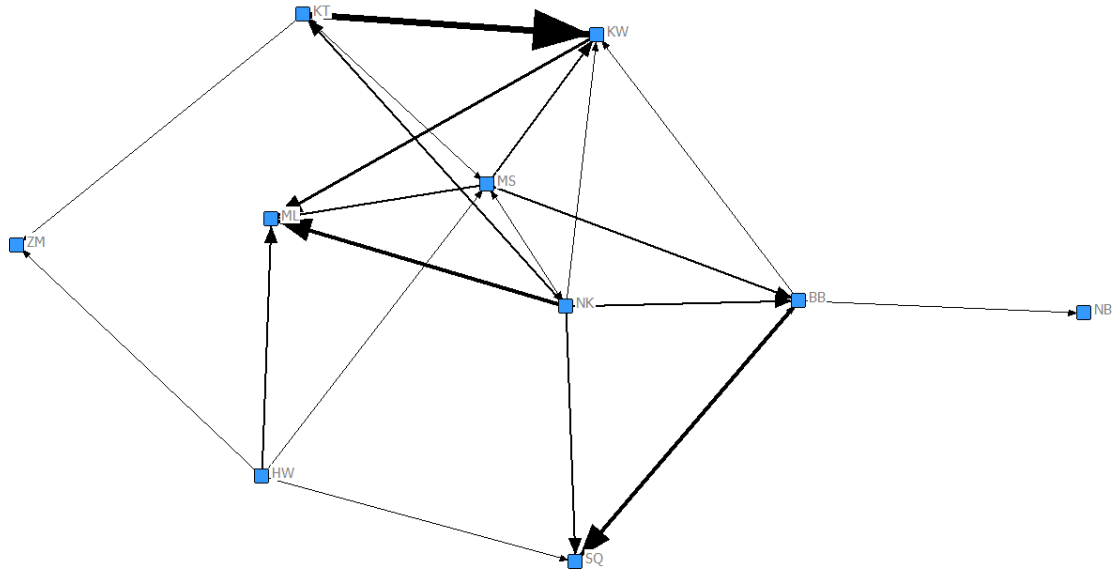


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892 Figure 2. Social networks of gestures categorised according to Modality: a) auditory long range,
893 b) auditory short range, c) tactile, d) visual; e) Repertoire size; Object use: f) objects, g) no
894 objects; Combined gestures: h) combined, i) single (non-combined); Indicative: j) manual
895 indicative, k) manual non-indicative; Bodily and manual: l) bodily, m) manual; Attention: n)

896 mutual attention present, o) mutual attention absent; Multimodal: p) multimodal (facial
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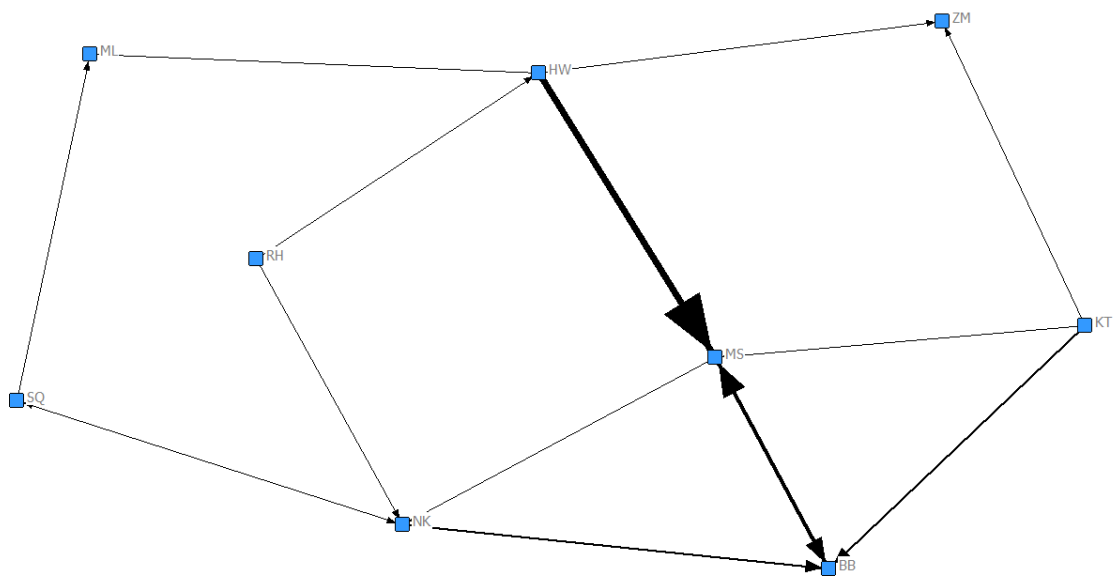
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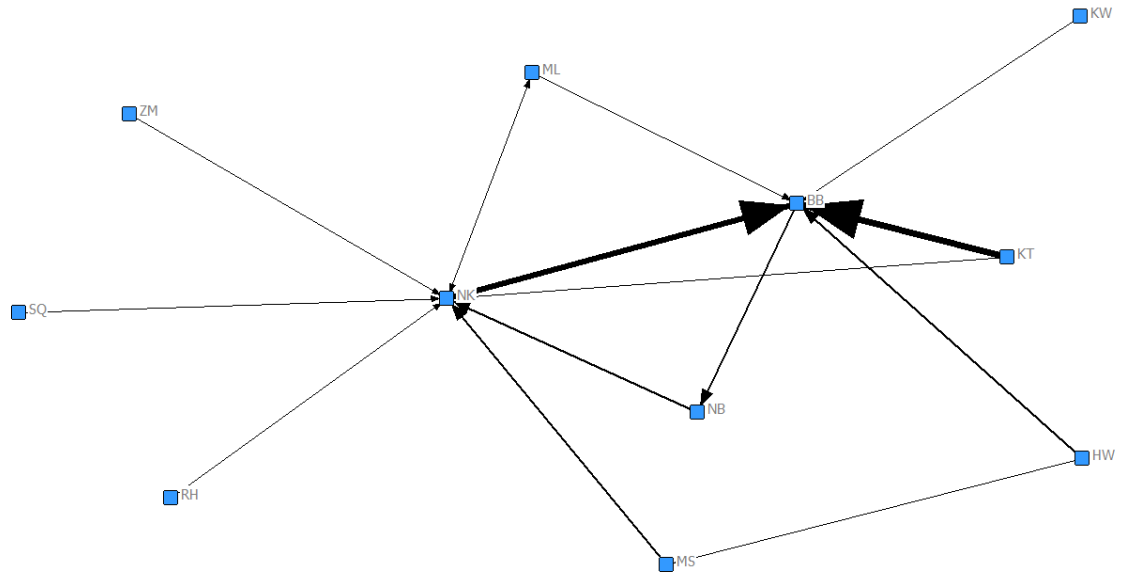
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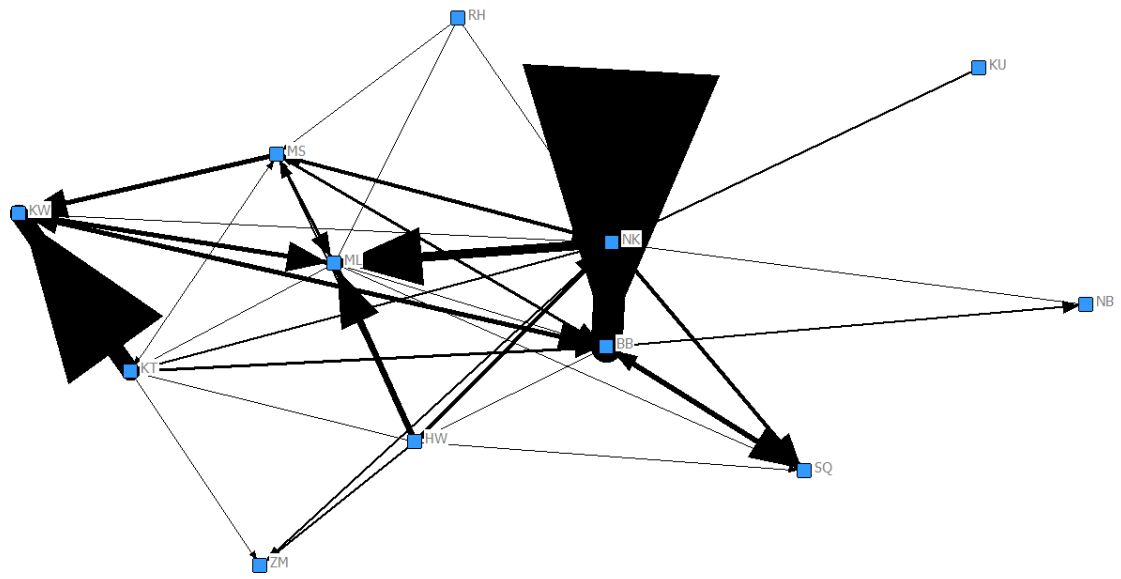
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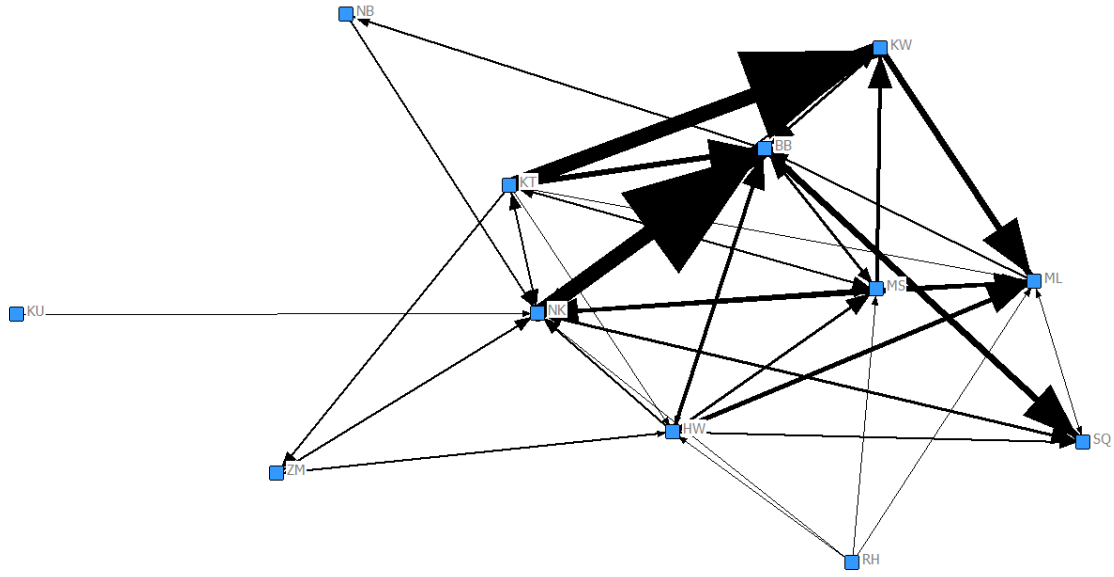
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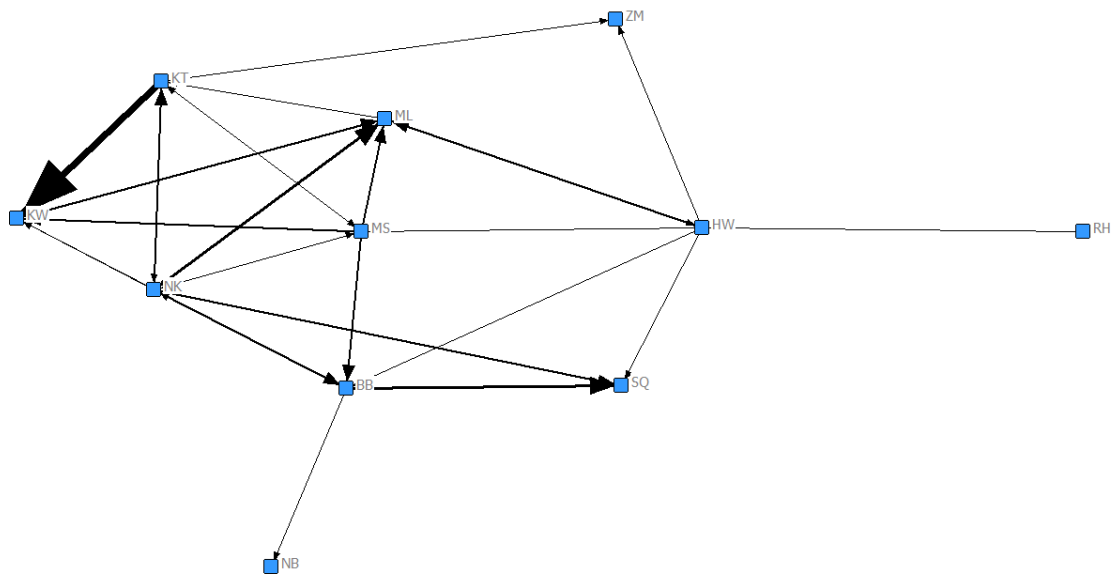
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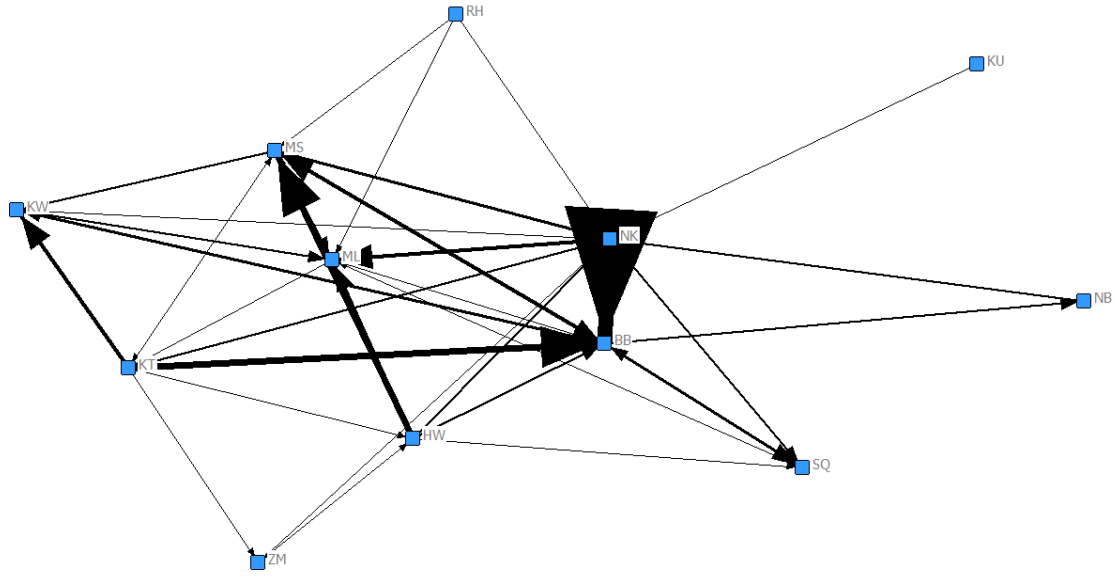
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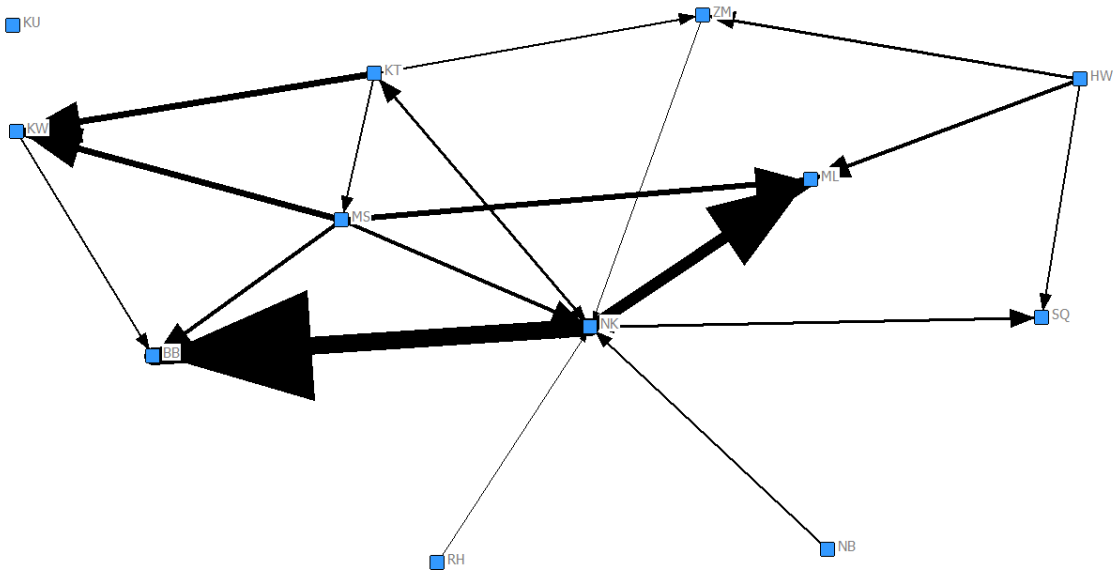
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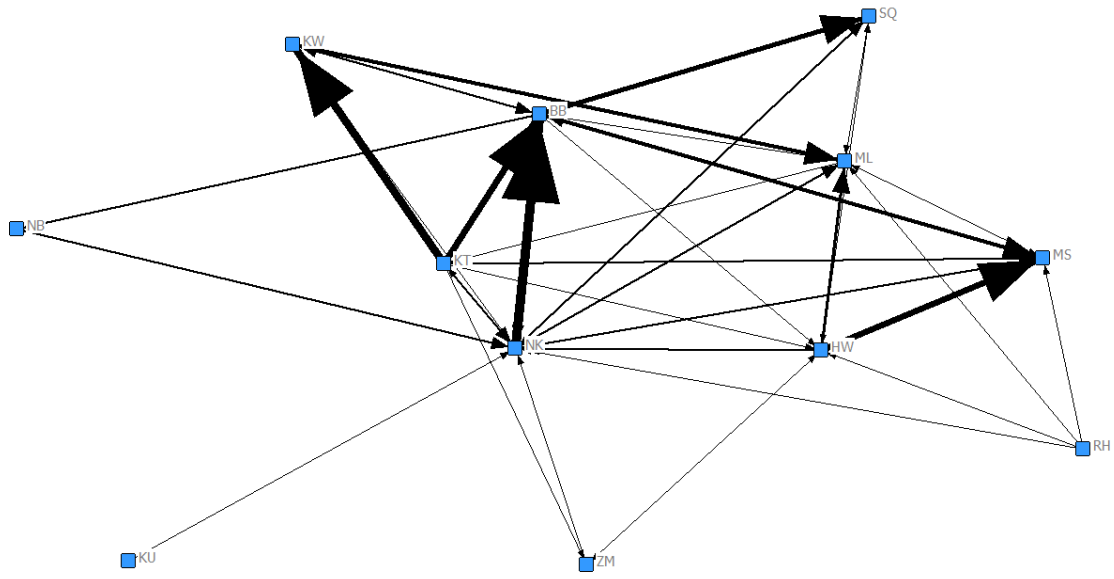
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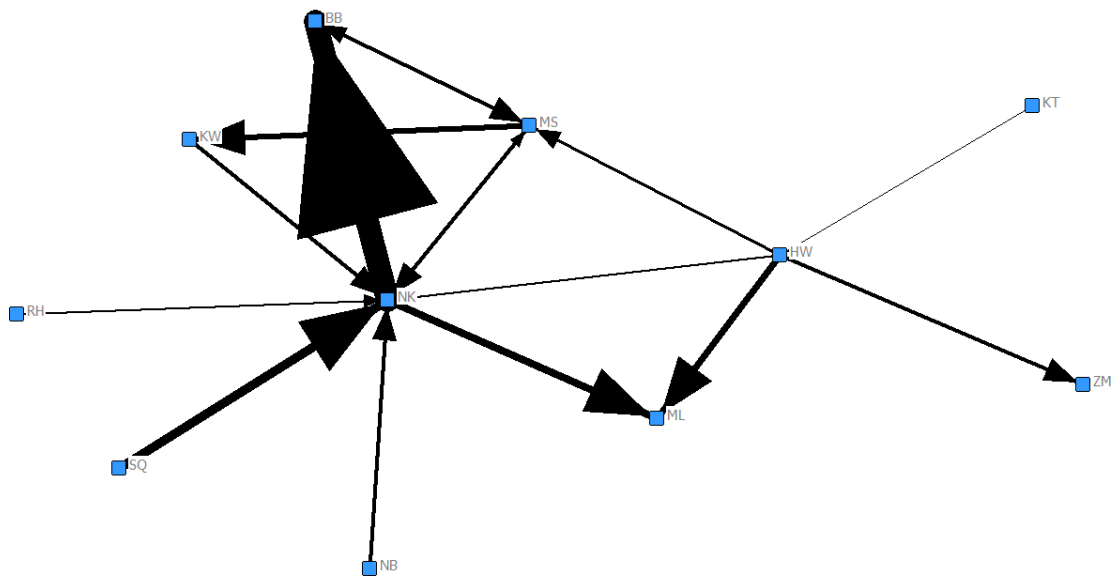
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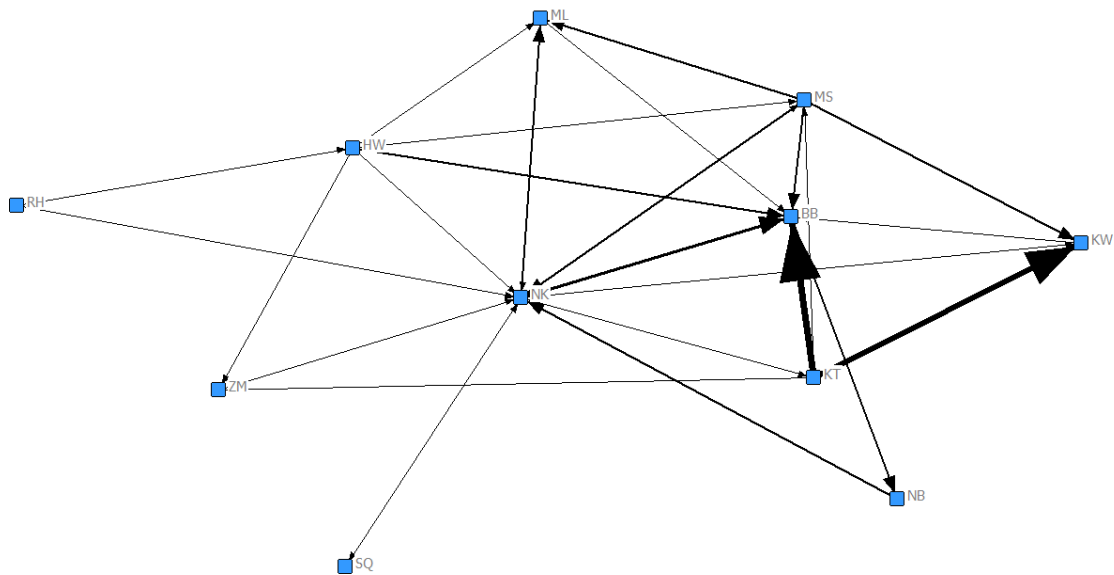
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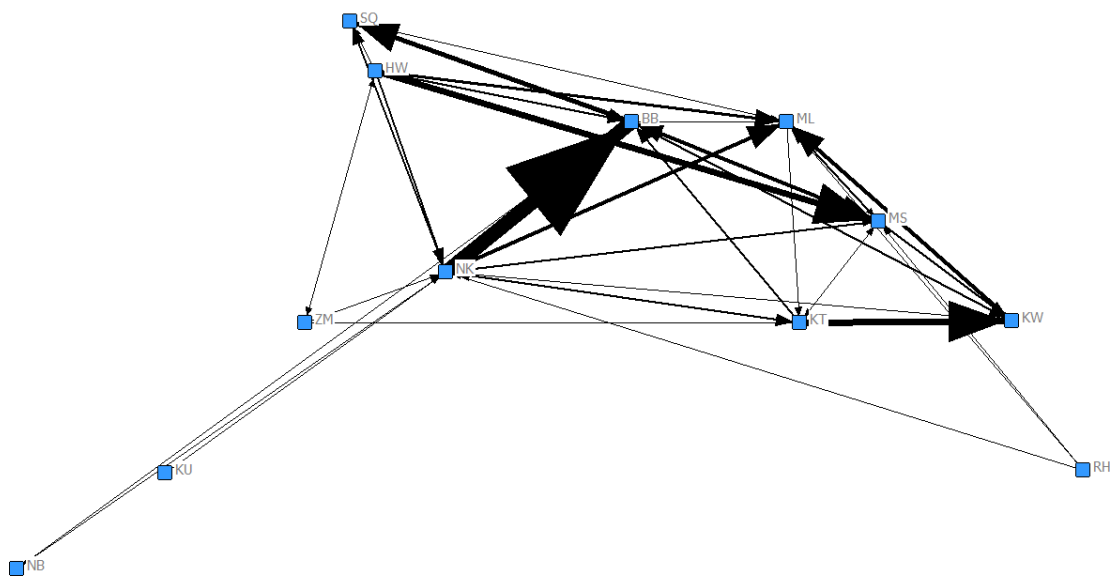
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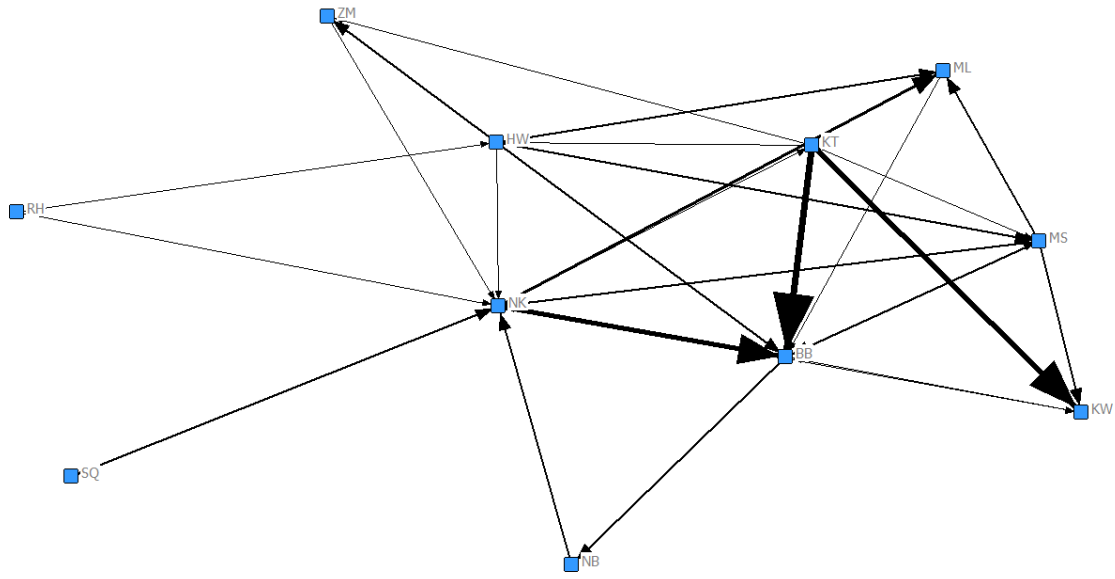
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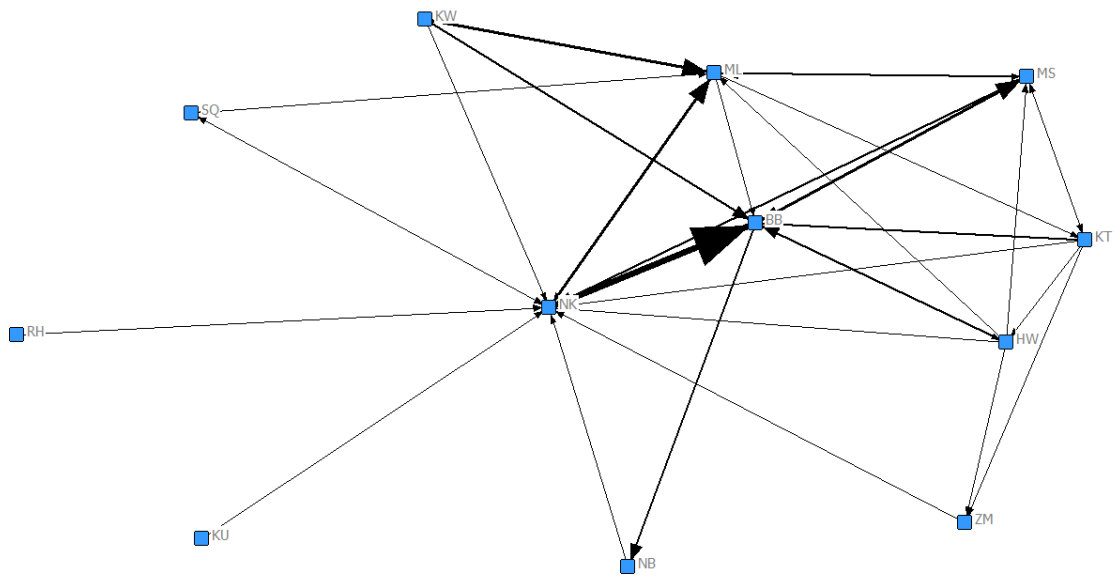
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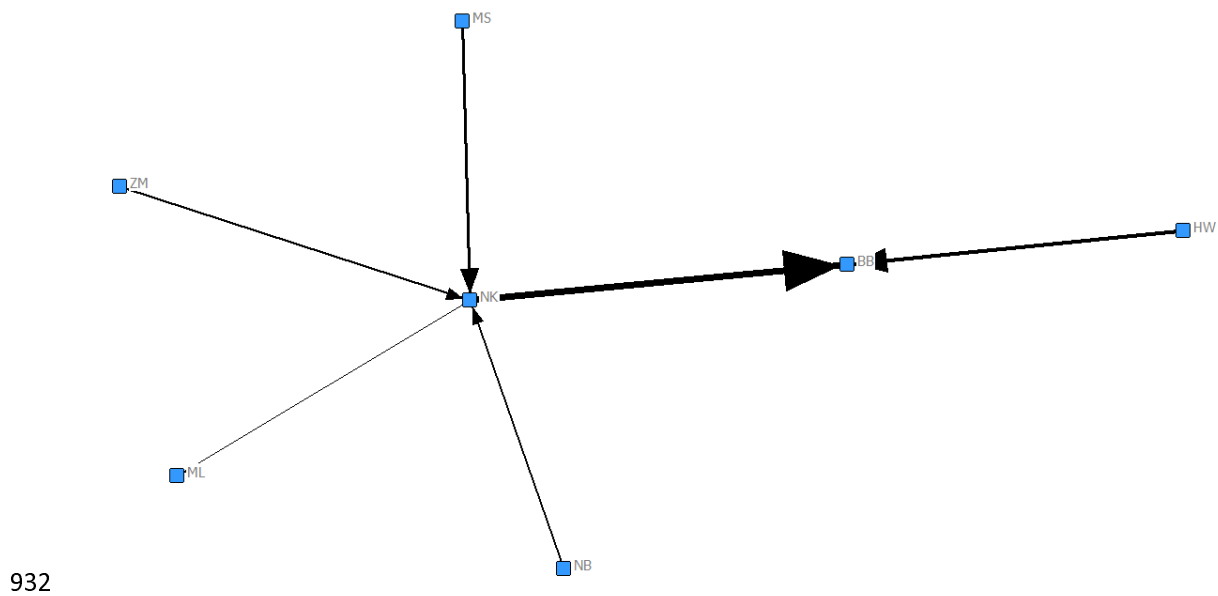
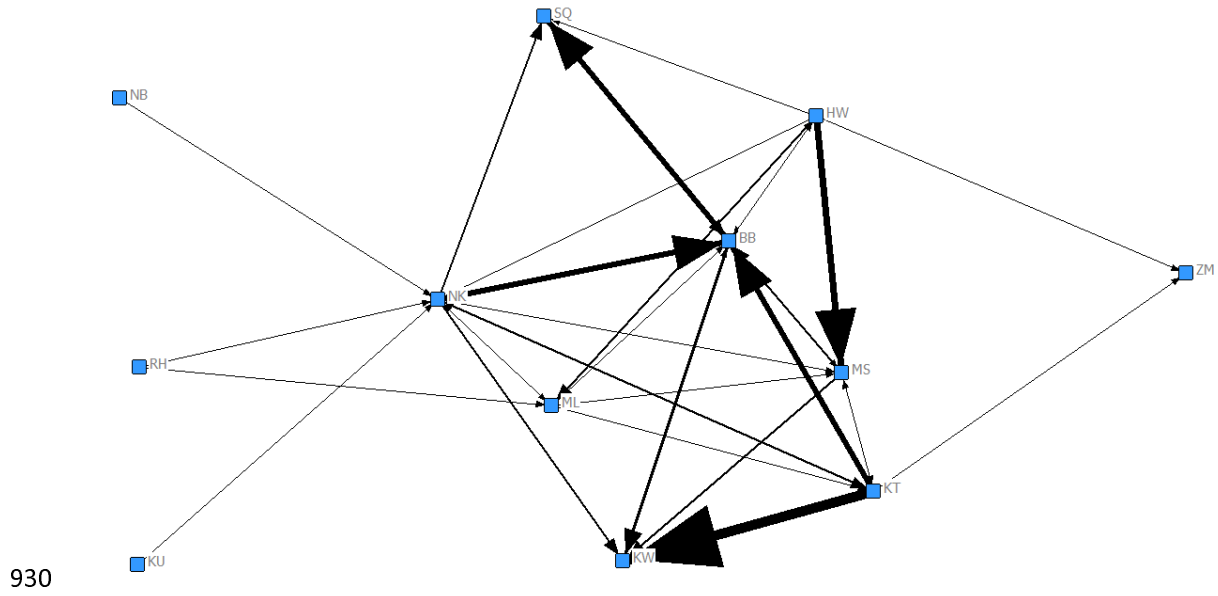
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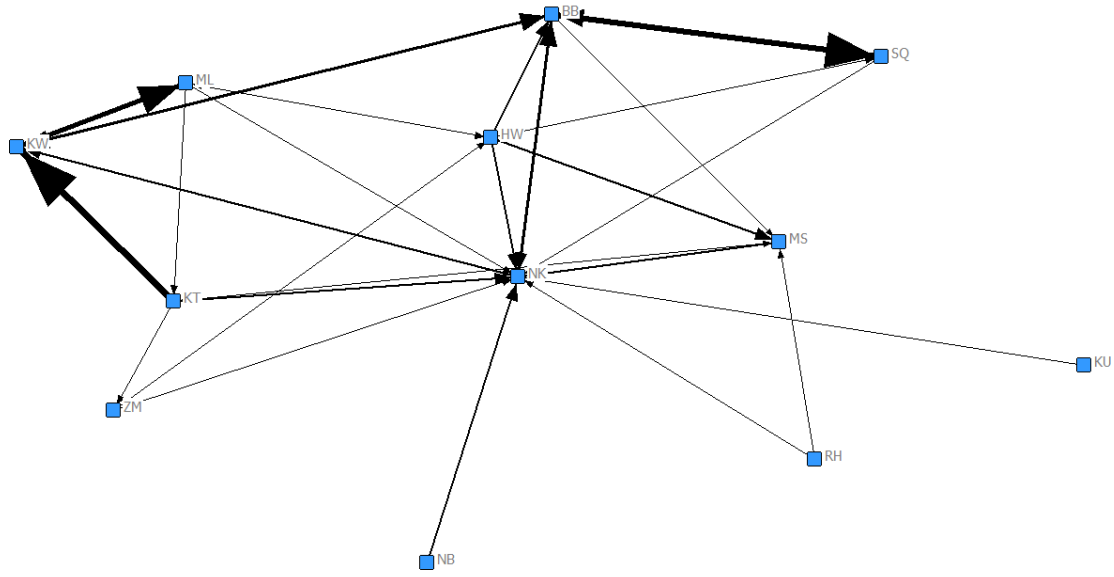
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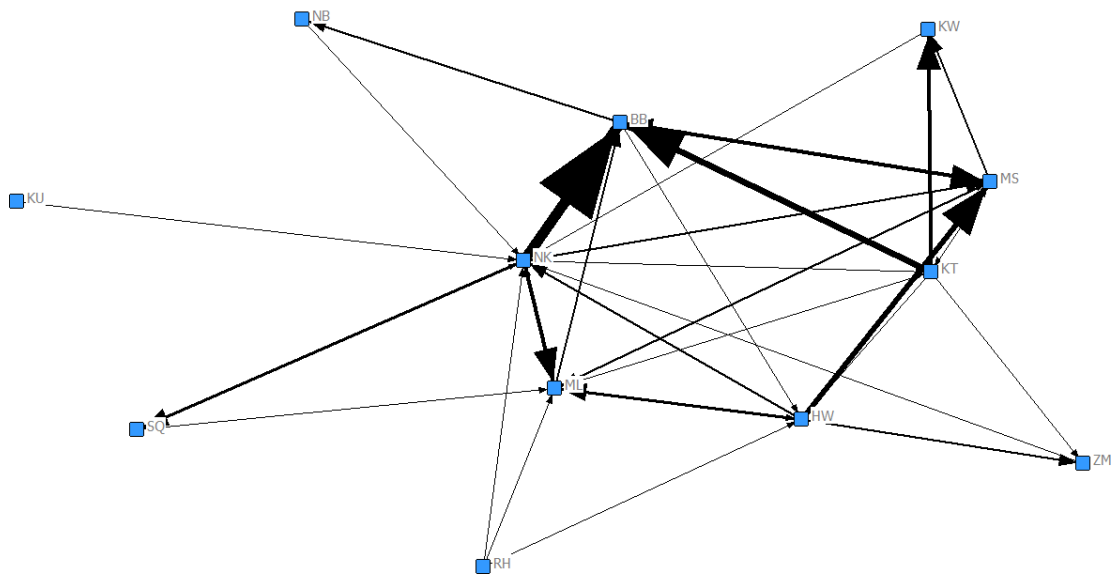
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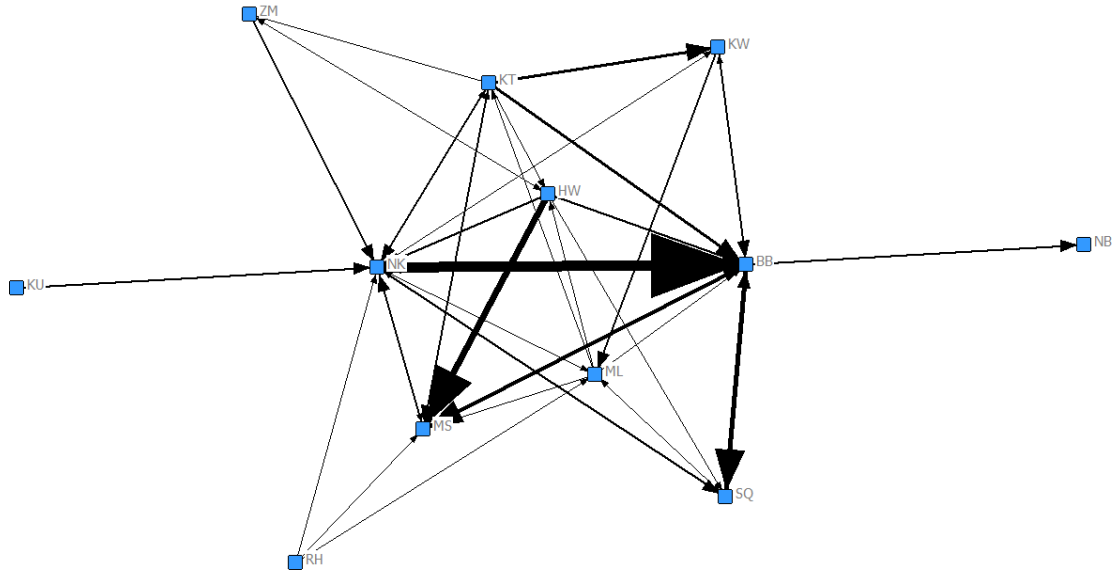
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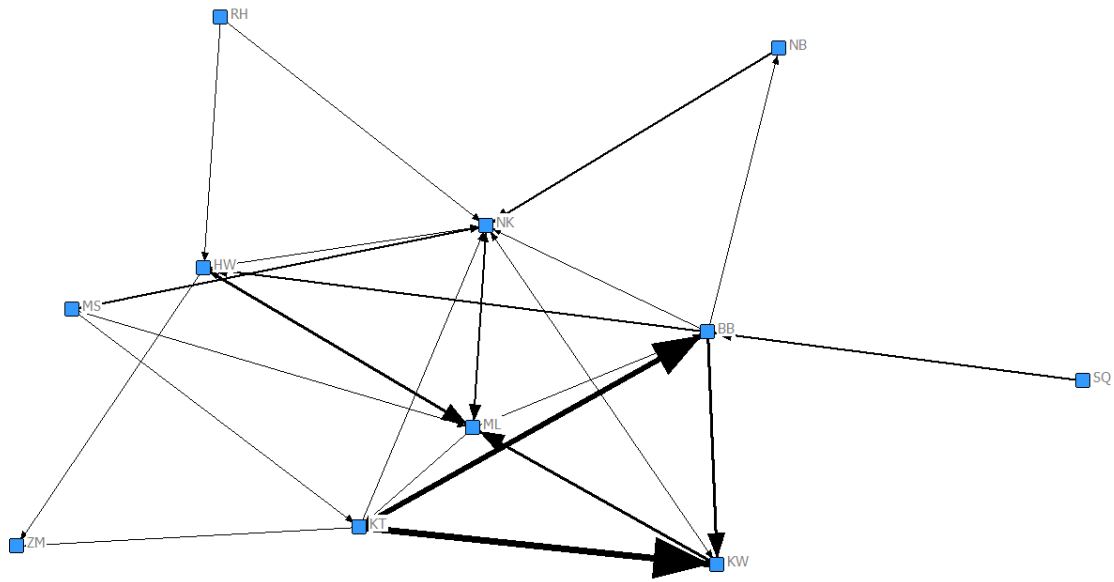
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Supplementary Information 1

Social bonding, gestural complexity and displacement behaviour of wild chimpanzee

Table S1. Definitions, means and standard deviations (SD) for different types of gestural communication. Data based on gestural communication between 132 chimpanzee dyads. All gestural communication measured as the rate per hour dyad spent within 10 m. For detailed description of all gesture types and accompanying video footage see [Roberts et al. , 2014].

Gesture	Definition	Mean	SD
Gesture with no object	Gesture is produced not using object	2.56	7.14
Gesture with object	Gesture is produced using object (e.g. shake branch) [Nishida et al. , 2010]	0.88	3.12
Visual gesture	Perception of gesture is only possible by looking at the signaller	1.97	5.54
Auditory short-range gesture	Sounds produced by the gesture can be heard within 10 m of the signaller	0.41	2.33
Auditory long-range gesture	Sounds produced by the gesture can be heard over 10 m from the signaller	0.67	2.30
Tactile gesture	Perception of the gesture is possible via physical contact	0.44	2.43
Unimodal gesture	Gesture does not include accompanying facial expression or vocalization	1.79	5.81
Multimodal	Gesture accompanied by simultaneous production of	0.09	0.52

gesture (facial expression)	facial expression		
Multimodal gesture (vocalization)	A vocalization is produced whilst the signaller is gesturing	1.15	3.44
Dyadic repertoire size	The number of gesture types produced towards the dyad partner, per hour spent within 10 m	1.97	5.11
Single gesture	A single gesture is produced by the signaller	2.47	6.60
Combined gesture	Two or more of different gesture types are produced simultaneously by the signaller (e.g. embrace full and thrust) [Nishida et al. , 2010]	0.46	1.70
Gesture with mutual attention absent	Gesture is not accompanied by simultaneous presence of mutual bodily orientation between signaller and the recipient. Mutual bodily orientation is when signaller's and recipient's body are within each other's field of view (up to 45 degrees body turn)	0.78	3.39
Gesture with mutual attention present	Gesture is accompanied by simultaneous presence of mutual bodily orientation between signaller and the recipient.	1.23	4.15
Bodily	A gesture is produced by the signaller with the part of the body (e.g. head, legs, torso) that does not involve	2.52	6.80

	use of hands		
Manual	A gesture is made exclusively with the hand	0.93	3.19
Events	Number of consecutive gesture events in the sequence whereby gestures are made in quick succession with or without pauses for response waiting. One gesture event can contain gestures combined or not combined with other gestures (e.g. embrace full and thrust co-occurring would be counted as one event) [Nishida et al. , 2010]	3.18	7.82
Manual indicative	Movement of the arm and hand towards the recipient, without physical touch or contact with substrate	0.14	0.54
Manual non-indicative	Movement of the arm and hand that involves physical touch or contact with the substrate or visual but does not involve movement of the hand towards the recipient	0.80	3.01
Close	Signaler produced a gesture within 1 meter from the recipient	1.09	4.40
Far	Signaler produced a gesture from above 1 meter away from the recipient	1.64	5.03
Non-repetitive	A gesture that does not involve repetition of movement in regular and cyclical fashion such as static presentation of a torso for grooming	1.82	5.72
Repetitive	A gesture involves repetition of movement in regular and cyclical fashion in predictable manner that indicates	1.69	4.80

	that the movement forms part of one gesture		
Heterogeneous	Gesture type occurs only in signaller's repertoire of gestures	0.72	2.64
Homogeneous	Gesture type is present in both signaller's and recipient's repertoire of gestures	1.76	5.49
Single no sequence	A single gesture that is not made in series and where there is at least 30 seconds to the next consecutive gesture [Hobaiter and Byrne, 2011]	1.27	4.07
Rapid sequence	A series of gestures without pauses between consecutive gestures [Hobaiter and Byrne, 2011]	0.45	1.30
Persistence sequence	A series of gestures whereby there are pauses of up to 5 seconds between consecutive gestures [Hobaiter and Byrne, 2011]	0.11	0.45
Penile erection	Production of a gesture is accompanied by simultaneous erection of the penis by the signaller	0.19	0.99
Piloerection	Production of a gesture is accompanied by simultaneous involuntary erection of hairs	1.21	5.11
Threat to dominate	Aggressive context with or without physical contact, where there is no tangible reason for conflict of interest but the recipient reacts with fear (e.g. screams)	0.07	0.66
Food sharing	Context where food is in recipient's possession and in view of the signaller who makes successful or	0.002	0.031

	unsuccessful gestures in anticipation of receiving food item, e.g. beg with hand [Nishida et al. , 2010]		
Other threat	Communication motivated by clear conflict of interest, whereby there is aggression over the resource such as food or behavior such as attempt at mating.	0.07	0.36
Travel	Gestures made prior or during travel, which are followed by the recipient relocating together with the signaller, from one location in the habitat to the next.	0.03	0.33
Copulation	Gestures produced by a male or a tumescent female in order to initiate the approach for copulation.	0.14	0.79
Reassurance	Gestures produced in reaction to recipient's distress, fright or hurt by the signallers own behaviour or third party threat.	0.08	0.87
Greeting	Gestures made in any of the following contexts: approaching, being approached or leaving approach with the individual who is non-threatening or when the recipient or third party distressed, frightened or hurt the signaller.	0.27	0.74
Mutual groom	Gestures made to initiate simultaneous grooming between signaller and the recipient.	0.07	0.66
Receive groom	Gestures made to solicit grooming of the signaller by the recipient.	0.19	0.80

Give groom	Gestures made to initiate grooming of the recipient by the signaller.	0.37	1.94
Play	Gestures which initiate bouts of wrestling, chasing, tickling in non-agonistic relaxed manner accompanied by play-face.	0.17	1.99
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	Pant-hoot call produced jointly with other group members and accompanied by simultaneous production of visual gestures, which can be perceived only by looking at signaller.	0.05	0.36
Solo high-intensity panthoot	Pant-hoot call produced solo (without joining in by other group members) and accompanied by simultaneous production of auditory gestures, which produce sounds audible at a distance of at least 10 meters independently of the acoustic properties of the pant-hoot call. If both visual and auditory gestures simultaneously accompanied the pant-hoot call within the same sequence it was scored as high-intensity.	0.08	0.47
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	Pant-hoot call plus simultaneous production of auditory gestures such as drumming. Vocalisation is produced jointly with other group members.	0.20	1.0

Table S2. Percentage of indicators for each behavioural categories that is significantly associated with behavioural indices of 5 domains of sociality (joint activity, grooming, visual attention, proximity and scratch).

Behaviour	Number of categories of complexity	Joint activity	Groom	Attention	Proximity	Scratch
<i>Demography</i>	4	41.67	25.00	37.50	25.00	25.00
<i>Object use</i>	2	16.67	83.33	75.00	100.00	50.00
<i>Modality</i>	4	41.67	75.00	50.00	75.00	50.00
<i>Multimodal</i>	3	22.22	55.56	66.67	100.00	66.67
<i>Repertoire size</i>	1	33.33	66.67	50.00	100.00	100.00
<i>Combined gestures</i>	2	16.67	50.00	75.00	50.00	50.00
<i>Attention</i>	2	16.67	50.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
<i>Bodily and manual</i>	2	16.67	66.67	25.00	50.00	100.00
<i>Events</i>	1	33.33	66.67	100.00	100.00	100.00
<i>Indicative</i>	2	16.67	66.67	25.00	50.00	50.00
<i>Proximity</i>	2	50.00	66.67	75.00	50.00	100.00
<i>Repetitive</i>	2	16.67	66.67	25.00	50.00	50.00

<i>Homogeneity</i>	2	16.67	66.67	75.00	50.00	50.00
<i>Sequences</i>	3	33.33	44.44	33.33	33.33	33.33
<i>Penile erection</i>	1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Piloerection</i>	1	33.33	33.33	50.00	100.00	100.00
<i>Function</i>	14	16.67	33.33	39.29	35.71	10.71

Association between the duration of social behavior and gestural communication categorized according to structure

Demographic Factors

Supplementary Table S3. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictors were demographic variables. Dyads were classified as same age or different age (within 5 years), same sex or different sex, related by maternal kinship and as the same or different reproductive status (reproductively active, not reproductively active). Based on 132 dyadic relationships of the chimpanzees. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S3.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.119$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.01	0.65	0.49
Sex	0.31	0.69	0.001

Kinship	0.29	1.28	0.01
Reproductive status	0.22	0.72	0.04

Table S3.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.070$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.29	1.37	0.003
Sex	-0.14	1.31	0.13
Kinship	-0.02	2.25	0.47
Reproductive status	-0.04	1.46	0.36

Table S3.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.09$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.28	0.42	0.01
Sex	0.05	0.39	0.68
Kinship	0.01	0.72	0.86
Reproductive status	0.01	0.43	0.93

Table S3.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.07$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	0.21	0.54	0.02
Sex	0.11	0.53	0.18
Kinship	0.10	0.96	0.12
Reproductive status	0.03	0.66	0.42

Table S3.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.04$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.20	0.70	0.050
Sex	0.02	0.72	0.49
Kinship	0.02	1.29	0.29
Reproductive status	0.14	0.87	0.18

Table S3.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.03$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.09	0.48	0.18
Sex	0.20	0.51	0.03
Kinship	-0.01	0.88	0.62
Reproductive status	0.08	0.63	0.28

Table S3.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.11$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.12	1.47	0.13
Sex	0.30	1.55	0.01
Kinship	0.18	2.62	0.06
Reproductive status	0.28	2.12	0.04

Table S3.8 Duration of visual attention away dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.367	1.730	0.001
Sex	-0.064	1.277	0.251
Kinship	0.071	2.783	0.145
Reproductive status	0.041	1.395	0.370

Table S3.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.11$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.32	2.50	0.0005
Sex	0.12	2.49	0.15
Kinship	0.15	4.39	0.06

Reproductive status	0.14	3.55	0.19
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Table S3.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.046$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.016	0.606	0.41829
Sex	0.201	0.560	0.03948
Kinship	0.079	1.143	0.18341
Reproductive status	0.030	0.423	0.38131

Table S3.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.046$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	0.61	0.42779
Sex	0.20	0.56	0.04348
Kinship	0.08	1.14	0.18991
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.37481

Object use in gestural communication

Supplementary Table S4. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestural communication (without objects and with objects) and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S4.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.01	0.68	0.47
Sex	0.31	0.70	0.003
Kinship	0.29	1.35	0.009
Reproductive status	0.22	0.76	0.047
Object use	-0.01	0.08	0.56
No object use	0.03	0.04	0.30

Table S4.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.08$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.28	1.45	0.01
Sex	-0.16	1.37	0.10
Kinship	-0.02	2.41	0.42
Reproductive status	-0.05	1.45	0.35
Object use	-0.08	0.18	0.07

No object use	0.10	0.08	0.07
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Table S4.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.29$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.21	0.35	0.01
Sex	-0.01	0.32	0.44
Kinship	0.02	0.58	0.25
Reproductive status	-0.01	0.32	0.46
Object use	-0.04	0.04	0.24
No object use	0.47	0.02	0.005

Table S4.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.39$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.12	0.45	0.08
Sex	0.02	0.44	0.41
Kinship	0.10	0.85	0.08
Reproductive status	0.00	0.46	0.47
Object use	-0.20	0.06	0.01
No object use	0.64	0.04	0.001

Table S4.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.38$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.11	0.55	0.10
Sex	-0.07	0.53	0.24
Kinship	0.02	1.00	0.26
Reproductive status	0.10	0.58	0.12
Object use	-0.15	0.07	0.02
No object use	0.64	0.04	0.0005

Table S4.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.07$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.12	0.49	0.09
Sex	0.17	0.49	0.05
Kinship	0.00	0.91	0.66
Reproductive status	0.07	0.56	0.27
Object use	-0.04	0.06	0.34
No object use	0.22	0.03	0.04

Table S4.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.49$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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Age	0.02	1.10	0.39
Sex	0.20	1.12	0.01
Kinship	0.19	2.11	0.01
Reproductive status	0.24	1.42	0.01
Object use	-0.18	0.14	0.003
No object use	0.69	0.10	0.0005

Table S4.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.16$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.335	1.671	0.002
Sex	-0.083	1.277	0.180
Kinship	0.069	2.892	0.138
Reproductive status	0.003	1.271	0.517
Object use	-0.098	0.202	0.070
No object use	0.240	0.097	0.028

Table S4.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.37$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.24	2.05	0.001

Sex	0.04	2.05	0.32
Kinship	0.15	3.60	0.03
Reproductive status	0.11	2.54	0.17
Object use	-0.17	0.26	0.003
No object use	0.56	0.15	0.0005

Table S4.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.190$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.043	0.591	0.35782
Sex	0.175	0.525	0.05097
Kinship	0.085	1.162	0.17541
Reproductive status	-0.031	0.438	0.33633
Object use	-0.016	0.072	0.49375
No object use	0.400	0.034	0.0045

Table S4.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.050$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.63	0.38331

Sex	0.20	0.57	0.03998
Kinship	0.08	1.12	0.17841
Reproductive status	0.04	0.45	0.30585
Object use	-0.01	0.08	0.56822
No object use	-0.06	0.03	0.26087

Modality of gestural communication

Supplementary Table S5. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestural communication of different modalities (visual, tactile, auditory short-range, auditory long-range) and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S5.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.17$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.07	0.68	0.27
Sex	0.33	0.70	0.002
Kinship	0.29	1.30	0.01
Reproductive status	0.21	0.71	0.03
Visual gestures	0.15	0.07	0.12

Auditory long-range gestures	-0.08	0.13	0.21
Auditory short-range gestures	0.21	0.11	0.04
Tactile gestures	-0.22	0.13	0.004

Table S5.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.09$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.26	1.43	0.01
Sex	-0.16	1.38	0.10
Kinship	-0.03	2.43	0.39
Reproductive status	-0.05	1.51	0.33
Visual gestures	0.02	0.15	0.36
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.06	0.34	0.21
Auditory short-range gestures	0.13	0.24	0.04
Tactile gestures	0.004	0.29	0.36

Table S5.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.32$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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Age	0.21	0.33	0.01
Sex	0.04	0.30	0.36
Kinship	0.02	0.58	0.25
Reproductive status	0.00	0.30	0.50
Visual gestures	0.62	0.04	0.01
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.28	0.08	0.01
Auditory short-range gestures	0.04	0.05	0.11
Tactile gestures	-0.02	0.07	0.43

Table S5.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.74$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.06	0.27	0.11
Sex	-0.02	0.27	0.38
Kinship	0.09	0.47	0.03
Reproductive status	0.00	0.33	0.46
Visual gestures	-0.26	0.04	0.01
Auditory long-range gestures	0.19	0.08	0.01
Auditory short-range gestures	0.73	0.09	0.0005

range gestures			
Tactile gestures	0.41	0.08	0.0005

Table S5.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.48$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.12	0.49	0.07
Sex	-0.01	0.49	0.47
Kinship	0.03	0.87	0.27
Reproductive status	0.12	0.53	0.08
Visual gestures	0.88	0.07	0.0005
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.51	0.12	0.0005
Auditory short-range gestures	0.01	0.08	0.25
Tactile gestures	-0.03	0.10	0.37

Table S5.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.11$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.15	0.50	0.04
Sex	0.21	0.49	0.02
Kinship	0.00	0.91	0.32

Reproductive status	0.07	0.56	0.24
Visual gestures	0.50	0.06	0.02
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.27	0.13	0.02
Auditory short-range gestures	0.04	0.08	0.11
Tactile gestures	-0.20	0.12	0.0005

Table S5.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.21$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.01	1.06	0.47
Sex	0.25	1.13	0.004
Kinship	0.19	1.97	0.007
Reproductive status	0.26	1.40	0.007
Visual gestures	0.75	0.15	0.0005
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.44	0.25	0.0005
Auditory short-range gestures	0.24	0.19	0.01
Tactile gestures	-0.02	0.22	0.50

Table S5.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.20$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.296	1.683	0.004
Sex	-0.083	1.347	0.178
Kinship	0.064	2.799	0.129
Reproductive status	0.001	1.338	0.496
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.032	0.368	0.412
Auditory short-range gestures	0.290	0.285	0.011
Tactile gestures	0.031	0.366	0.247
Visual gestures	0.033	0.179	0.327

Table S5.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.40$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.20	2.05	0.01
Sex	0.07	2.05	0.22
Kinship	0.15	3.65	0.03
Reproductive status	0.12	2.59	0.15
Visual gestures	0.45	0.28	0.01

Auditory long-range gestures	-0.27	0.48	0.01
Auditory short-range gestures	0.34	0.39	0.01
Tactile gestures	0.01	0.42	0.33

Table S5.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.201$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.064	0.601	0.27286
Sex	0.208	0.529	0.02699
Kinship	0.090	1.128	0.14893
Reproductive status	-0.019	0.430	0.41979
Visual gestures	0.484	0.071	0.0085
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.163	0.126	0.04698
Auditory short-range gestures	0.127	0.100	0.07496
Tactile gestures	-0.072	0.120	0.2014

Table S5.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.060$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.65	0.34983
Sex	0.21	0.60	0.03448
Kinship	0.08	1.23	0.18041
Reproductive status	0.04	0.45	0.29135
Visual gestures	0.08	0.07	0.22539
Auditory long-range gestures	-0.08	0.14	0.23138
Auditory short-range gestures	-0.10	0.10	0.04948
Tactile gestures	-0.07	0.13	0.27186

Unimodal and multimodal gestural communication

Supplementary Table S6. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of unimodal and multi-modal gestural communication and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S6.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.14$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.01	0.69	0.47
Sex	0.31	0.68	0.002
Kinship	0.28	1.29	0.01
Reproductive status	0.20	0.73	0.04
Unimodal gestures	0.16	0.05	0.07
Multimodal (facial expressions)	-0.13	0.53	0.09
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.07	0.07	0.23

Table S6.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.08$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.28	1.45	0.004
Sex	-0.16	1.36	0.10
Kinship	-0.02	2.41	0.41
Reproductive status	-0.06	1.48	0.36
Unimodal gestures	0.06	0.11	0.19
Multimodal (facial)	0.06	1.12	0.15

expressions)			
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.06	0.16	0.20

Table S6.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.31$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.24	0.34	0.01
Sex	-0.01	0.31	0.41
Kinship	0.02	0.62	0.25
Reproductive status	-0.02	0.32	0.43
Unimodal gestures	0.22	0.03	0.02
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.30	0.31	0.02
Multimodal (vocalisations)	0.01	0.04	0.30

Table S6.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.46$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.13	0.38	0.03
Sex	0.05	0.38	0.24

Kinship	0.11	0.72	0.05
Reproductive status	-0.02	0.42	0.39
Unimodal gestures	0.75	0.04	0.0005
Multimodal (facial expressions)	-0.23	0.40	0.01
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.07	0.05	0.09

Table S6.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.42$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.15	0.54	0.04
Sex	-0.07	0.52	0.21
Kinship	0.02	0.94	0.29
Reproductive status	0.09	0.57	0.16
Unimodal gestures	0.27	0.04	0.02
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.44	0.47	0.002
Multimodal	-0.03	0.06	0.33

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Table S6.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.08$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.11	0.52	0.12
Sex	0.17	0.52	0.06
Kinship	0.00	0.93	0.65
Reproductive status	0.04	0.61	0.36
Unimodal gestures	0.25	0.04	0.04
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.001	0.44	0.43
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.09	0.05	0.06

Table S6.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.50$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.06	1.06	0.21
Sex	0.20	1.11	0.01
Kinship	0.19	1.98	0.01

Reproductive status	0.22	1.46	0.02
Unimodal gestures	0.44	0.09	0.0005
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.31	0.93	0.003
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.09	0.12	0.05

Table S6.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.17$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.344	1.712	0.001
Sex	-0.065	1.286	0.254
Kinship	0.071	2.929	0.142
Reproductive status	-0.003	1.331	0.471
Multimodal (facial expressions)	-0.043	1.405	0.295
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.076	0.195	0.123

Unimodal gestures	0.270	0.132	0.024
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Table S6.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.37$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.27	2.07	0.002
Sex	0.05	2.01	0.31
Kinship	0.15	3.55	0.03
Reproductive status	0.09	2.54	0.22
Unimodal gestures	0.44	0.17	0.001
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.14	1.69	0.05
Multimodal (vocalisations)	-0.11	0.23	0.04

Table S6.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.191$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.029	0.593	0.37781
Sex	0.171	0.536	0.05847

Kinship	0.089	1.098	0.14393
Reproductive status	-0.018	0.448	0.43278
Unimodal gestures	0.180	0.045	0.04948
Multimodal (facial expressions)	0.184	0.489	0.04298
Multimodal (vocalisations)	0.138	0.065	0.06597

Table S6.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.056$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.65	0.38331
Sex	0.20	0.56	0.03448
Kinship	0.08	1.18	0.2004
Reproductive status	0.04	0.47	0.29685
Unimodal gestures	-0.12	0.05	0.11894
Multimodal (facial)	0.06	0.52	0.26737

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Multimodal (vocalisations)	0.00	0.07	0.45377

Dyadic repertoire size

Supplementary Table S7. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were dyadic repertoire size, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S7.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.01	0.65	0.49
Sex	0.31	0.68	0.0005
Kinship	0.28	1.32	0.01
Reproductive status	0.22	0.75	0.04
Dyadic repertoire size	-0.02	0.04	0.45

Table S7.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.07$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.29	1.43	0.003

Sex	-0.14	1.30	0.13
Kinship	-0.02	2.58	0.43
Reproductive status	-0.04	1.45	0.36
Dyadic repertoire size	0.001	0.10	0.38

Table S7.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.21$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.25	0.38	0.01
Sex	0.05	0.34	0.36
Kinship	0.03	0.66	0.24
Reproductive status	0.02	0.36	0.41
Dyadic repertoire size	0.34	0.03	0.01

Table S7.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.13$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.18	0.53	0.02
Sex	0.10	0.52	0.17
Kinship	0.11	0.97	0.11

Reproductive status	0.04	0.60	0.37
Dyadic repertoire size	0.26	0.04	0.02

Table S7.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.24$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.16	0.60	0.05
Sex	0.01	0.59	0.51
Kinship	0.04	1.11	0.22
Reproductive status	0.15	0.68	0.11
Dyadic repertoire size	0.45	0.05	0.003

Table S7.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.04$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.10	0.49	0.13
Sex	0.20	0.50	0.03
Kinship	0.00	0.87	0.33
Reproductive status	0.08	0.60	0.24

Dyadic repertoire size	0.14	0.04	0.08
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Table S7.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.28$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.08	1.24	0.16
Sex	0.29	1.38	0.002
Kinship	0.21	2.50	0.02
Reproductive status	0.29	1.87	0.02
Dyadic repertoire size	0.42	0.11	0.002

Table S7.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.361	1.687	0.001
Sex	-0.065	1.276	0.255
Kinship	0.074	2.826	0.129
Reproductive status	0.036	1.371	0.370
Dyadic repertoire size	0.063	0.119	0.164

Table S7.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.21$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.29	2.38	0.001
Sex	0.11	2.27	0.15
Kinship	0.16	4.12	0.03
Reproductive status	0.15	3.25	0.14
Dyadic repertoire size	0.28	0.20	0.01

Table S7.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.167$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.016	0.583	0.43878
Sex	0.193	0.529	0.03398
Kinship	0.096	1.076	0.13343
Reproductive status	0.008	0.417	0.45527
Dyadic repertoire size	0.352	0.042	0.002

Table S7.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.048$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	0.62	0.42829
Sex	0.20	0.55	0.03698
Kinship	0.08	1.21	0.21039
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.38131
Dyadic repertoire size	-0.04	0.04	0.33483

Single and combined gestures

Supplementary Table S8. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of single and combined gestures, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S8.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.01	0.71	0.47
Sex	0.31	0.68	0.001
Kinship	0.29	1.34	0.01
Reproductive status	0.22	0.77	0.048
Combined gesture	0.01	0.16	0.43

Single gesture	0.02	0.04	0.42
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Table S8.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.07$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.28	1.38	0.002
Sex	-0.15	1.32	0.11
Kinship	-0.02	2.50	0.46
Reproductive status	-0.04	1.47	0.37
Combined gesture	-0.03	0.34	0.37
Single gesture	0.06	0.10	0.17

Table S8.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.31$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.23	0.35	0.01
Sex	0.05	0.32	0.31
Kinship	0.03	0.64	0.24
Reproductive status	-0.01	0.32	0.44
Combined gesture	0.41	0.09	0.004

Single gesture	0.09	0.02	0.12
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Table S8.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.35$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.13	0.47	0.06
Sex	0.06	0.46	0.25
Kinship	0.11	0.84	0.07
Reproductive status	0.06	0.51	0.30
Combined gesture	-0.19	0.12	0.02
Single gesture	0.64	0.04	0.001

Table S8.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.32$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.14	0.57	0.07
Sex	0.00	0.53	0.52
Kinship	0.04	1.04	0.23
Reproductive status	0.11	0.61	0.13
Combined gesture	0.40	0.16	0.003
Single gesture	0.19	0.04	0.05

Table S8.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.06$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.11	0.49	0.11
Sex	0.19	0.49	0.02
Kinship	0.00	0.85	0.29
Reproductive status	0.07	0.58	0.28
Combined gesture	0.13	0.15	0.11
Single gesture	0.08	0.04	0.18

Table S8.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.38$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.05	1.19	0.28
Sex	0.28	1.26	0.002
Kinship	0.21	2.23	0.01
Reproductive status	0.27	1.65	0.01
Combined gesture	0.30	0.30	0.002
Single gesture	0.29	0.09	0.004

Table S8.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.14$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.341	1.724	0.001
Sex	-0.076	1.319	0.215
Kinship	0.075	2.879	0.123
Reproductive status	0.026	1.379	0.419
Combined gesture	-0.029	0.422	0.385
Single gesture	0.183	0.112	0.045

Table S8.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.28$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.26	2.24	0.003
Sex	0.10	2.33	0.38
Kinship	0.17	4.09	0.05
Reproductive status	0.14	2.96	0.29
Combined gesture	0.29	0.16	0.01
Single gesture	0.15	0.58	0.10

Table S8.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.179$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.037	0.596	0.33833
Sex	0.194	0.530	0.03348
Kinship	0.093	1.110	0.14993
Reproductive status	-0.014	0.420	0.45027
Combined gesture	0.155	0.154	0.06747
Single gesture	0.259	0.039	0.01649

Table S8.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.051$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.64	0.38431
Sex	0.21	0.58	0.03248
Kinship	0.08	1.19	0.18541
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.33133
Combined gesture	0.09	0.16	0.18041
Single gesture	-0.14	0.04	0.05497

Mutual attention accompanying gestures

Supplementary Table S9. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestures with and without mutual attention between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S9.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.12$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.01	0.68	0.48
Sex	0.31	0.69	0.002
Kinship	0.29	1.31	0.01
Reproductive status	0.21	0.76	0.05
Gesture with mutual attention	0.05	0.06	0.26
Gesture without mutual attention	-0.04	0.08	0.38

Table S9.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.08$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.28	1.41	0.01
Sex	-0.16	1.32	0.10
Kinship	-0.02	2.41	0.44

Reproductive status	-0.05	1.50	0.35
Gesture with mutual attention	0.004	0.16	0.37
Gesture without mutual attention	0.10	0.19	0.08

Table S9.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.28$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.23	0.36	0.01
Sex	-0.02	0.32	0.40
Kinship	0.02	0.60	0.29
Reproductive status	-0.03	0.31	0.39
Gesture with mutual attention	0.37	0.04	0.01
Gesture without mutual attention	0.12	0.04	0.07

Table S9.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.57$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.16	0.39	0.01

Sex	-0.01	0.39	0.45
Kinship	0.10	0.72	0.07
Reproductive status	0.01	0.43	0.45
Gesture with mutual attention	-0.11	0.04	0.04
Gesture without mutual attention	0.78	0.07	0.0005

Table S9.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.42$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.14	0.49	0.06
Sex	-0.07	0.49	0.41
Kinship	0.03	0.94	0.68
Reproductive status	0.08	0.49	0.32
Gesture with mutual attention	0.63	0.07	0.001
Gesture without mutual attention	-0.01	0.06	0.78

Table S9.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.07$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	-0.11	0.49	0.10
Sex	0.17	0.48	0.051
Kinship	0.00	0.86	0.67
Reproductive status	0.06	0.55	0.30
Gesture with mutual attention	0.21	0.06	0.054
Gesture without mutual attention	0.02	0.06	0.24

Table S9.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.49$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.06	1.03	0.23
Sex	0.20	1.07	0.01
Kinship	0.19	1.99	0.01
Reproductive status	0.22	1.33	0.02
Gesture with mutual attention	0.56	0.14	0.0005
Gesture without mutual attention	0.12	0.13	0.07

Table S9.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.19$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.348	1.662	0.001
Sex	-0.094	1.299	0.142
Kinship	0.068	2.725	0.130
Reproductive status	0.003	1.329	0.494
Gesture with mutual attention	-0.032	0.167	0.384
Gesture without mutual attention	0.288	0.201	0.015

Table S9.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.36$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.27	2.10	0.002
Sex	0.03	2.06	0.75
Kinship	0.15	3.73	0.04
Reproductive status	0.10	2.57	0.36
Gesture with mutual attention	0.30	0.24	0.01
Gesture without mutual attention	0.26	0.26	0.01

Table S9.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.299$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.031	0.540	0.36832
Sex	0.165	0.488	0.05097
Kinship	0.086	1.004	0.15242
Reproductive status	-0.033	0.402	0.33983
Gesture with mutual attention	0.527	0.061	0.001
Gesture without mutual attention	-0.026	0.068	0.43028

Table S9.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.058$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	0.64	0.4018
Sex	0.21	0.56	0.03298
Kinship	0.08	1.15	0.17841
Reproductive status	0.04	0.44	0.32184

Gesture with mutual attention	0.05	0.06	0.24138
Gesture without mutual attention	-0.13	0.08	0.04948

Bodily and manual gestures

Supplementary Table S10. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of bodily and manual gestures between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S10.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.156$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.043	0.674	0.365
Sex	0.150	0.581	0.083
Kinship	0.285	1.291	0.010
Reproductive status	0.259	0.538	0.001
Bodily	0.066	0.041	0.237
Manual	-0.082	0.088	0.201

Table S10.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.072$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.280	1.405	0.004
Sex	-0.116	1.102	0.081
Kinship	-0.018	2.383	0.463
Reproductive status	-0.027	1.113	0.405
Bodily	0.060	0.091	0.169
Manual	-0.014	0.192	0.486

Table S10.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.294$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.177	0.345	0.027
Sex	0.034	0.279	0.345
Kinship	0.021	0.619	0.286
Reproductive status	-0.066	0.252	0.191
Bodily	0.503	0.026	0.003
Manual	-0.062	0.049	0.194

Table S10.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.291$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.171	0.498	0.025
Sex	0.045	0.410	0.290
Kinship	0.124	0.919	0.078
Reproductive status	0.092	0.405	0.124
Bodily	0.220	0.034	0.024
Manual	0.293	0.072	0.016

Table S10.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.327$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.073	0.589	0.219
Sex	-0.102	0.494	0.132
Kinship	0.031	1.081	0.270
Reproductive status	0.097	0.456	0.115
Bodily	0.585	0.043	0.001
Manual	-0.075	0.077	0.149

Table S10.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.087$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.148	0.516	0.046
Sex	0.123	0.426	0.099
Kinship	0.004	0.886	0.350
Reproductive status	0.136	0.423	0.054
Bodily	0.255	0.037	0.036
Manual	-0.092	0.080	0.101

Table S10.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.421$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.013	1.188	0.452
Sex	0.070	0.977	0.202
Kinship	0.198	2.219	0.011
Reproductive status	0.261	1.183	0.005
Bodily	0.549	0.092	0.001
Manual	-0.024	0.153	0.401

Table S10.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.144$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.340	1.771	0.002
Sex	-0.069	1.294	0.219
Kinship	0.076	2.905	0.126
Reproductive status	0.021	1.307	0.431
Bodily	0.139	0.122	0.083
Manual	0.028	0.226	0.291

Table S10.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.312$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.226	2.251	0.006
Sex	-0.008	1.713	0.462
Kinship	0.164	4.044	0.037
Reproductive status	0.163	2.074	0.052
Bodily	0.406	0.164	0.003
Manual	0.006	0.311	0.421

Table S10.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.241$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.098	0.599	0.14443
Sex	0.189	0.522	0.03448
Kinship	0.088	1.063	0.15442
Reproductive status	-0.018	0.394	0.4038
Bodily	0.546	0.041	0.0005
Manual	-0.184	0.079	0.01149

Table S10.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.051$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	0.65	0.42129
Sex	0.20	0.58	0.04248
Kinship	0.08	1.19	0.1994
Reproductive status	0.04	0.45	0.33183
Bodily	-0.02	0.04	0.47776
Manual	-0.06	0.08	0.29685

Gesture events

Supplementary Table S11. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variable was rates of gesture events between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S11.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.151$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.026	0.656	0.417
Sex	0.149	0.567	0.076
Kinship	0.287	1.236	0.008
Reproductive status	0.260	0.563	0.003
Events	-0.008	0.027	0.509

Table S11.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.071$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	0.287	1.397	0.005
Sex	-0.116	1.070	0.066
Kinship	-0.018	2.342	0.451
Reproductive	-0.027	1.122	0.427

status			
Events	0.042	0.069	0.208

Table S11.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.240$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.225	0.366	0.017
Sex	0.035	0.302	0.348
Kinship	0.026	0.622	0.252
Reproductive status	-0.062	0.268	0.219
Events	0.396	0.018	0.003

Table S11.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.293$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.141	0.484	0.047
Sex	0.046	0.414	0.290
Kinship	0.125	0.886	0.064
Reproductive status	0.086	0.389	0.128
Events	0.467	0.027	0.002

Table S11.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.248$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.130	0.618	0.105
Sex	-0.101	0.524	0.150
Kinship	0.035	1.110	0.241
Reproductive status	0.103	0.508	0.139
Events	0.451	0.031	0.003

Table S11.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.071$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.117	0.483	0.086
Sex	0.123	0.404	0.092
Kinship	0.007	0.876	0.315
Reproductive status	0.137	0.450	0.056
Events	0.164	0.025	0.065

Table S11.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.369$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.032	1.226	0.344
Sex	0.071	0.973	0.197
Kinship	0.202	2.239	0.009
Reproductive status	0.265	1.266	0.003
Events	0.474	0.067	0.001

Table S11.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.143$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.346	1.708	0.002
Sex	-0.068	1.267	0.232
Kinship	0.077	2.752	0.095
Reproductive status	0.021	1.362	0.430
Events	0.152	0.078	0.049

Table S11.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.288$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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Age	0.256	2.271	0.005
Sex	-0.007	1.668	0.472
Kinship	0.168	3.990	0.027
Reproductive status	0.165	2.197	0.057
Events	0.373	0.122	0.003

Table S11.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.172$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.033	0.585	0.37281
Sex	0.189	0.528	0.03598
Kinship	0.094	1.106	0.15692
Reproductive status	-0.016	0.432	0.43478
Events	0.364	0.027	0.003

Table S11.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.051$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.62	0.38731

Sex	0.20	0.55	0.03998
Kinship	0.08	1.14	0.1929
Reproductive status	0.04	0.46	0.33183
Events	-0.07	0.03	0.1909

Non-indicative and indicative gestures

Supplementary Table S12. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of non-indicative and indicative gestures between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S12.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.162$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.044	0.652	0.348
Sex	0.153	0.560	0.067
Kinship	0.283	1.263	0.008
Reproductive status	0.251	0.554	0.005
Manual indicative	0.095	0.406	0.115
Manual non-	-0.081	0.075	0.113

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Table S12.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.072$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.287	1.414	0.005
Sex	-0.114	1.123	0.086
Kinship	-0.020	2.471	0.445
Reproductive status	-0.028	1.123	0.427
Manual indicative	0.046	1.028	0.161
Manual non-indicative	0.000	0.182	0.622

Table S12.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.280$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.226	0.356	0.011
Sex	0.052	0.279	0.275
Kinship	0.011	0.600	0.287
Reproductive status	-0.076	0.259	0.177

Manual indicative	0.429	0.281	0.011
Manual non-indicative	0.041	0.046	0.150

Table S12.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.275$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.203	0.496	0.011
Sex	0.051	0.405	0.269
Kinship	0.122	0.938	0.080
Reproductive status	0.096	0.405	0.129
Manual indicative	0.173	0.365	0.036
Manual non-indicative	0.354	0.066	0.014

Table S12.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.362$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.120	0.556	0.094
Sex	-0.079	0.470	0.186

Kinship	0.018	1.031	0.260
Reproductive status	0.079	0.452	0.179
Manual indicative	0.561	0.459	0.001
Manual non-indicative	0.016	0.068	0.246

Table S12.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.071$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.118	0.483	0.089
Sex	0.132	0.414	0.084
Kinship	0.000	0.807	0.685
Reproductive status	0.135	0.436	0.060
Manual indicative	0.170	0.382	0.046
Manual non-indicative	-0.019	0.070	0.541

Table S12.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.463$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	0.029	1.052	0.342
Sex	0.092	0.851	0.098
Kinship	0.185	2.029	0.013
Reproductive status	0.243	1.134	0.002
Manual indicative	0.545	0.946	0.001
Manual non-indicative	0.057	0.139	0.171

Table S12.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.137$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.359	1.719	0.001
Sex	-0.065	1.277	0.249
Kinship	0.074	2.902	0.134
Reproductive status	0.023	1.329	0.405
Manual indicative	0.089	1.115	0.112
Manual non-indicative	0.071	0.213	0.120

Table S12.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.312$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.263	2.228	0.003
Sex	0.008	1.660	0.454
Kinship	0.156	3.667	0.026
Reproductive status	0.154	1.997	0.062
Manual indicative	0.370	1.763	0.007
Manual non-indicative	0.081	0.295	0.144

Table S12.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.193$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.039	0.574	0.34783
Sex	0.208	0.544	0.03148
Kinship	0.077	1.105	0.18441
Reproductive status	-0.024	0.392	0.3938

Manual indicative	0.402	0.430	0.003
Manual non-indicative	-0.047	0.070	0.32234

Table S12.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.051$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.01	0.60	0.44328
Sex	0.20	0.55	0.03998
Kinship	0.08	1.13	0.17741
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.34133
Manual indicative	0.01	0.41	0.4023
Manual non-indicative	-0.07	0.08	0.17191

Gestures made at close and far proximity

Supplementary Table S13. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestures made at close and far proximity between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S13.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.156$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.026	0.641	0.409
Sex	0.142	0.576	0.092
Kinship	0.282	1.250	0.006
Reproductive status	0.251	0.557	0.003
Close proximity	0.055	0.053	0.223
Far proximity	-0.065	0.044	0.203

Table S13.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.082$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.284	1.421	0.005
Sex	-0.131	1.125	0.055
Kinship	-0.025	2.482	0.423
Reproductive status	-0.040	1.124	0.365
Close proximity	0.121	0.123	0.046
Far proximity	-0.048	0.112	0.235

Table S13.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.241$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.225	0.360	0.009
Sex	0.013	0.309	0.445
Kinship	0.016	0.660	0.314
Reproductive status	-0.059	0.275	0.248
Close proximity	0.273	0.030	0.015
Far proximity	0.223	0.026	0.013

Table S13.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.589$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.128	0.346	0.018
Sex	-0.042	0.282	0.242
Kinship	0.085	0.625	0.068
Reproductive status	0.022	0.274	0.383
Close proximity	0.765	0.055	0.001
Far proximity	-0.112	0.029	0.012

Table S13.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.288$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.125	0.604	0.101
Sex	-0.136	0.518	0.073
Kinship	0.022	1.067	0.263
Reproductive status	0.095	0.499	0.157
Close proximity	0.387	0.052	0.004
Far proximity	0.223	0.044	0.018

Table S13.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.074$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.117	0.495	0.099
Sex	0.109	0.400	0.128
Kinship	0.001	0.897	0.352
Reproductive status	0.132	0.437	0.069
Close proximity	0.153	0.044	0.083
Far proximity	0.053	0.039	0.167

Table S13.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.439$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.026	1.152	0.368
Sex	0.020	0.935	0.386
Kinship	0.181	2.133	0.009
Reproductive status	0.242	1.179	0.010
Close proximity	0.500	0.119	0.001
Far proximity	0.131	0.086	0.045

Table S13.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.190$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.341	1.683	0.001
Sex	-0.102	1.258	0.105
Kinship	0.062	2.737	0.144
Reproductive status	-0.005	1.292	0.481
Close proximity	0.287	0.147	0.021
Far proximity	-0.066	0.116	0.158

Table S13.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.376$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.249	2.163	0.004
Sex	-0.058	1.643	0.226
Kinship	0.145	3.680	0.035
Reproductive status	0.134	2.103	0.094
Close proximity	0.480	0.213	0.001
Far proximity	0.029	0.155	0.297

Table S13.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.174$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.032	0.582	0.3903
Sex	0.175	0.539	0.05697
Kinship	0.089	1.120	0.15192
Reproductive status	-0.007	0.445	0.47126
Close proximity	0.210	0.051	0.02399
Far proximity	0.244	0.045	0.01299

Table S13.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.058$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.66	0.3908
Sex	0.22	0.58	0.03598
Kinship	0.08	1.19	0.18691
Reproductive status	0.05	0.45	0.27236
Close proximity	-0.11	0.05	0.04898
Far proximity	0.01	0.05	0.38131

Non-repetitive and repetitive gestures

Supplementary Table S14. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of non-repetitive and repetitive gestures between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S14.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.158$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.029	0.658	0.410
Sex	0.144	0.562	0.085
Kinship	0.291	1.288	0.009

Reproductive status	0.262	0.565	0.002
Non-repetitive	-0.071	0.047	0.192
Repetitive	0.090	0.051	0.158

Table S14.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.072$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.286	1.419	0.005
Sex	-0.116	1.101	0.064
Kinship	-0.019	2.464	0.459
Reproductive status	-0.027	1.120	0.415
Non-repetitive	0.028	0.102	0.245
Repetitive	0.021	0.126	0.259

Table S14.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.353$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.222	0.309	0.004
Sex	0.054	0.250	0.234
Kinship	0.002	0.551	0.391

Reproductive status	-0.080	0.215	0.138
Non-repetitive	0.559	0.028	0.006
Repetitive	-0.092	0.028	0.065

Table S14.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.409$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.138	0.431	0.030
Sex	0.028	0.355	0.343
Kinship	0.129	0.770	0.035
Reproductive status	0.106	0.358	0.070
Non-repetitive	-0.061	0.035	0.115
Repetitive	0.606	0.047	0.001

Table S14.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.470$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.126	0.509	0.059
Sex	-0.074	0.420	0.186
Kinship	0.005	0.917	0.371

Reproductive status	0.077	0.424	0.181
Non-repetitive	0.726	0.052	0.001
Repetitive	-0.189	0.045	0.004

Table S14.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.080$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.115	0.503	0.094
Sex	0.131	0.424	0.088
Kinship	-0.002	0.858	0.654
Reproductive status	0.133	0.436	0.065
Non-repetitive	0.207	0.039	0.035
Repetitive	-0.040	0.045	0.424

Table S14.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.464$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.028	1.143	0.376
Sex	0.088	0.950	0.141
Kinship	0.179	2.173	0.032

Reproductive status	0.249	1.127	0.002
Non-repetitive	0.567	0.104	0.004
Repetitive	-0.003	0.090	0.543

Table S14.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.149$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.345	1.731	0.001
Sex	0.345	1.731	0.001
Kinship	-0.072	1.307	0.219
Reproductive status	0.077	2.732	0.107
Non-repetitive	0.026	1.363	0.414
Repetitive	0.015	0.127	0.352

Table S14.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.307$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.253	2.241	0.004
Sex	0.000	1.681	0.483
Kinship	0.154	3.809	0.033

Reproductive status	0.159	2.109	0.067
Non-repetitive	0.331	0.177	0.012
Repetitive	0.111	0.193	0.118

Table S14.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.215$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.0346	0.5810	0.37881
Sex	0.2024	0.5279	0.03248
Kinship	0.0765	1.1127	0.1919
Reproductive status	-0.0259	0.4175	0.38731
Non-repetitive	0.4196	0.0419	0.0045
Repetitive	-0.0013	0.0470	0.55822

Table S14.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.060$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.63	0.38731
Sex	0.21	0.54	0.02499

Kinship	0.07	1.19	0.1959
Reproductive status	0.03	0.45	0.34633
Non-repetitive	0.05	0.05	0.22239
Repetitive	-0.14	0.05	0.04498

Heterogeneous and homogeneous gestures

Supplementary Table S15. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of heterogeneous and homogeneous gestures between the recipient and the signaller, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S15.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.02	0.66	0.41629
Sex	0.15	0.58	0.08346
Kinship	0.29	1.29	0.01199
Reproductive status	0.26	0.55	0.002
Heterogeneous	0.00	0.08	0.43328
Homogeneous	-0.01	0.04	0.53173

Table S15.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.075$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.27	1.44	0.0085
Sex	-0.12	1.14	0.08496
Kinship	-0.02	2.40	0.44878
Reproductive status	-0.03	1.12	0.3958
Heterogeneous	-0.02	0.20	0.47076
Homogeneous	0.08	0.11	0.10895

Table S15.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.251$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.17	0.36	0.04048
Sex	0.01	0.29	0.44428
Kinship	0.01	0.60	0.33633
Reproductive status	-0.07	0.27	0.2019
Heterogeneous	-0.03	0.05	0.38281
Homogeneous	0.43	0.03	0.01049

Table S15.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.364$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.09	0.47	0.12944
Sex	0.02	0.39	0.3953
Kinship	0.11	0.84	0.06697
Reproductive status	0.08	0.37	0.14543
Heterogeneous	0.11	0.07	0.06747
Homogeneous	0.52	0.04	0.004

Table S15.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.358$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.56	0.34533
Sex	-0.14	0.49	0.08046
Kinship	0.01	1.05	0.33633
Reproductive status	0.08	0.46	0.16392
Heterogeneous	-0.15	0.08	0.01649
Homogeneous	0.60	0.05	0.0005

Table S15.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.072$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.14	0.51	0.05697
Sex	0.11	0.42	0.12544
Kinship	0.00	0.89	0.37831
Reproductive status	0.14	0.44	0.05697
Heterogeneous	-0.01	0.08	0.62919
Homogeneous	0.17	0.04	0.04898

Table S15.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.455$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.05	1.19	0.23888
Sex	0.04	0.98	0.31434
Kinship	0.18	2.21	0.01699
Reproductive status	0.25	1.16	0.0035
Heterogeneous	-0.09	0.15	0.04698
Homogeneous	0.60	0.10	0.001

Table S15.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.151$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.33	1.77	0.0035
Sex	-0.08	1.31	0.1924
Kinship	0.07	2.85	0.13793
Reproductive status	0.02	1.32	0.44478
Heterogeneous	0.04	0.23	0.21289
Homogeneous	0.17	0.12	0.04348

Table S15.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.335$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.20	2.25	0.01899
Sex	-0.03	1.67	0.35082
Kinship	0.15	3.93	0.03798
Reproductive status	0.15	2.08	0.06597
Heterogeneous	-0.03	0.30	0.4013
Homogeneous	0.45	0.18	0.0005

Table S15.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.186$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.067	0.603	0.25437
Sex	0.169	0.540	0.07046
Kinship	0.083	1.099	0.17341
Reproductive status	-0.019	0.436	0.42579
Heterogeneous	0.053	0.077	0.21939
Homogeneous	0.378	0.042	0.0025

Table S15.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.054$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.03	0.65	0.36182
Sex	0.21	0.57	0.03748
Kinship	0.08	1.19	0.17141
Reproductive status	0.04	0.45	0.29985
Heterogeneous	-0.03	0.09	0.4008

Homogeneous	-0.08	0.04	0.16142
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Gestures accompanied by penile erection

Supplementary Table S16. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestures between the recipient and the signaller are accompanied by penile erection, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S16.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.153$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.03	0.64	0.42429
Sex	0.16	0.58	0.07646
Kinship	0.29	1.28	0.007
Reproductive status	0.26	0.54	0.0035
Penile erection	0.04	0.22	0.27036

Table S16.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.070$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.29	1.40	0.002

Sex	-0.12	1.12	0.08696
Kinship	-0.02	2.49	0.45727
Reproductive status	-0.02	1.10	0.4018
Penile erection	-0.01	0.49	0.5947

Table S16.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.095$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.28	0.43	0.005
Sex	0.06	0.34	0.27886
Kinship	0.01	0.74	0.29885
Reproductive status	-0.02	0.33	0.44378
Penile erection	0.07	0.14	0.13443

Table S16.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.086$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.21	0.56	0.01899
Sex	0.06	0.45	0.26137
Kinship	0.11	0.97	0.11444

Reproductive status	0.14	0.50	0.06997
Penile erection	0.02	0.20	0.27086

Table S16.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.055$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.19	0.74	0.07746
Sex	-0.09	0.61	0.1959
Kinship	0.01	1.22	0.28636
Reproductive status	0.16	0.65	0.10745
Penile erection	-0.04	0.23	0.36432

Table S16.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.047$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.10	0.49	0.15742
Sex	0.12	0.41	0.10745
Kinship	0.00	0.87	0.63968
Reproductive status	0.16	0.47	0.03198

Penile erection	-0.04	0.21	0.30285
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Table S16.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.155$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.10	1.40	0.16492
Sex	0.08	1.15	0.18241
Kinship	0.18	2.68	0.06297
Reproductive status	0.33	1.66	0.0045
Penile erection	-0.01	0.47	0.50825

Table S16.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.121$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.37	1.75	0.0015
Sex	-0.06	1.29	0.25187
Kinship	0.07	2.83	0.13493
Reproductive status	0.04	1.39	0.36932
Penile erection	-0.01	0.62	0.56722

Table S16.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.156$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.31	2.55	0.001
Sex	0.00	1.80	0.45977
Kinship	0.15	4.22	0.04248
Reproductive status	0.21	2.68	0.05147
Penile erection	-0.01	0.80	0.52074

Table S16.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.056$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.021	0.607	0.41429
Sex	0.218	0.558	0.02849
Kinship	0.086	1.124	0.15942
Reproductive status	0.018	0.431	0.42229
Penile erection	0.102	0.222	0.11494

Table S16.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.046$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	0.02	0.61	0.44728
Sex	0.20	0.55	0.04148
Kinship	0.08	1.13	0.18291
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.36282
Penile erection	0.00	0.23	0.5942

Gestures accompanied by piloerection

Supplementary Table S17. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of gestures between the recipient and the signaller are accompanied by piloerection, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant p values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S17.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.153$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	p
Age	-0.02	0.64	0.43828
Sex	0.15	0.57	0.08396
Kinship	0.29	1.29	0.0085
Reproductive status	0.26	0.57	0.002

Piloerection	-0.04	0.04	0.35782
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Table S17.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.070$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.30	1.38	0.004
Sex	-0.12	1.11	0.08496
Kinship	-0.02	2.39	0.43878
Reproductive status	-0.02	1.13	0.43728
Piloerection	-0.02	0.10	0.49525

Table S17.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.231$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.22	0.38	0.01749
Sex	0.06	0.30	0.24438
Kinship	0.02	0.65	0.28036
Reproductive status	-0.03	0.28	0.36982
Piloerection	0.38	0.03	0.006

Table S17.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.094$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.19	0.56	0.03098
Sex	0.06	0.44	0.24588
Kinship	0.11	1.00	0.11994
Reproductive status	0.14	0.49	0.06747
Piloerection	0.09	0.04	0.10845

Table S17.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.229$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.13	0.63	0.10495
Sex	-0.07	0.52	0.23188
Kinship	0.03	1.10	0.24588
Reproductive status	0.14	0.54	0.08646
Piloerection	0.42	0.04	0.004

Table S17.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.065$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	-0.12	0.50	0.09045
Sex	0.13	0.42	0.07896
Kinship	0.01	0.88	0.31334
Reproductive status	0.15	0.46	0.05547
Piloerection	0.14	0.04	0.08896

Table S17.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.278$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.04	1.32	0.31284
Sex	0.10	1.08	0.14193
Kinship	0.20	2.42	0.02099
Reproductive status	0.31	1.46	0.0015
Piloerection	0.35	0.10	0.0055

Table S17.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.121$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.36	1.76	0.001

Sex	-0.06	1.32	0.24188
Kinship	0.07	2.87	0.13493
Reproductive status	0.04	1.42	0.35882
Piloerection	0.02	0.13	0.29685

Table S17.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.200$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.27	2.37	0.002
Sex	0.01	1.77	0.41279
Kinship	0.16	4.15	0.03898
Reproductive status	0.20	2.52	0.04248
Piloerection	0.21	0.17	0.02749

Table S17.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.101$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.020	0.618	0.43228
Sex	0.210	0.548	0.02699
Kinship	0.088	1.150	0.15892

Reproductive status	0.020	0.408	0.3973
Piloerection	0.237	0.043	0.02249

Table S17.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.048$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	0.64	0.4058
Sex	0.20	0.56	0.04598
Kinship	0.08	1.14	0.18091
Reproductive status	0.03	0.44	0.36332
Piloerection	-0.05	0.04	0.32784

Single gestures, rapid and persistence sequences

Supplementary Table S18. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictor variables were rates of single gestures, rapid and persistence sequences between the signaller and the recipient, per hour dyad spent within 10m and demographic variables. Based on 132 chimpanzee dyads. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S18.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.157$)

	Standardized	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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	coefficient		
Age	-0.03	0.67	0.3978
Sex	0.14	0.58	0.09445
Kinship	0.28	1.31	0.008
Reproductive status	0.25	0.56	0.0045
Rapid sequence	-0.06	0.19	0.27286
Single no sequence	0.08	0.06	0.16042
Persistence	-0.03	0.53	0.37131

Table S18.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.077$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.29	1.39	0.0015
Sex	-0.13	1.12	0.05497
Kinship	-0.02	2.41	0.44328
Reproductive status	-0.04	1.13	0.3993
Rapid sequence	-0.03	0.47	0.35282
Single no sequence	0.08	0.15	0.09995
Persistence	0.03	1.25	0.22889

Table S18.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.259$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.22	0.37	0.01449
Sex	0.02	0.31	0.38581
Kinship	0.02	0.65	0.25737
Reproductive status	-0.07	0.28	0.21689
Rapid sequence	0.20	0.11	0.02049
Single no sequence	0.22	0.04	0.02699
Persistence	0.14	0.29	0.04548

Table S18.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.474$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.11	0.41	0.07246
Sex	0.01	0.33	0.41979
Kinship	0.10	0.73	0.05447
Reproductive status	0.02	0.34	0.44878

Rapid sequence	0.03	0.13	0.2024
Single no sequence	0.66	0.06	0.001
Persistence	-0.05	0.38	0.14243

Table S18.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.286$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.13	0.61	0.08346
Sex	-0.13	0.53	0.09845
Kinship	0.03	1.14	0.26437
Reproductive status	0.08	0.49	0.16942
Rapid sequence	0.16	0.17	0.04198
Single no sequence	0.33	0.06	0.01249
Persistence	0.16	0.48	0.03498

Table S18.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.077$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.11	0.51	0.12044

Sex	0.11	0.43	0.13293
Kinship	0.00	0.84	0.31384
Reproductive status	0.12	0.46	0.09595
Rapid sequence	0.00	0.16	0.37331
Single no sequence	0.16	0.05	0.05147
Persistence	0.05	0.46	0.14343

Table S18.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.433$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.02	1.18	0.38431
Sex	0.04	0.97	0.30135
Kinship	0.19	2.19	0.01049
Reproductive status	0.23	1.15	0.02099
Rapid sequence	0.09	0.36	0.12094
Single no sequence	0.47	0.13	0.001
Persistence	0.09	1.04	0.12444

Table S18.8 Duration of visual attention away from dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.168$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.34	1.74	0.001
Sex	-0.09	1.31	0.16492
Kinship	0.07	2.71	0.12994
Reproductive status	0.00	1.33	0.48226
Rapid sequence	-0.01	0.48	0.47926
Single no sequence	0.23	0.17	0.02649
Persistence	0.02	1.49	0.33083

Table S18.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.354$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.25	2.19	0.003
Sex	-0.04	1.66	0.28636
Kinship	0.15	3.68	0.02549
Reproductive status	0.13	2.07	0.09995
Rapid sequence	0.04	0.65	0.27586

Single no sequence	0.42	0.25	0.0005
Persistence	0.06	1.86	0.1954

Table S18.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.397$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.04	0.51	0.29735
Sex	0.12	0.46	0.10395
Kinship	0.09	0.92	0.10645
Reproductive status	-0.02	0.34	0.4053
Rapid sequence	-0.02	0.15	0.44528
Single no sequence	0.08	0.05	0.12244
Persistence	0.57	0.50	0.0005

Table S18.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.061$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.04	0.63	0.34783
Sex	0.21	0.55	0.03298

Kinship	0.08	1.21	0.18141
Reproductive status	0.05	0.45	0.24938
Rapid sequence	0.01	0.19	0.42379
Single no sequence	-0.14	0.06	0.04448
Persistence	0.06	0.51	0.2034

Association between the duration of social behaviour and gestural communication categorized according to function

Gesture functions

Supplementary Table S19. MRQAP regression models predicting durations of social behavior, per hour dyad spent within 10m. Predictors were demographic variables and functions of gestures. Dyads were classified as same age or different age (within 5 years), same sex or different sex, related by maternal kinship and as the same or different reproductive status (reproductively active, not reproductively active). Based on 132 dyadic relationships of the chimpanzees. Significant *p* values are indicated in bold. R squared (r^2) denotes amount of variance in the dependent variable explained by the regression model.

Table S19.1 Duration of joint feeding behaviour ($r^2 = 0.310$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.04	0.65	0.34233

Sex	0.11	0.55	0.11494
Kinship	0.27	1.20	0.0055
Reproductive status	0.22	0.56	0.006
Copulation	0.05	0.31	0.16292
Food sharing	0.10	8.36	0.08096
Threat to dominate	-0.50	1.64	0.04548
Give groom	0.17	0.13	0.03998
Mutually groom	0.66	2.39	0.09795
Receive groom	0.47	0.55	0.01249
Reassurance	-0.59	1.87	0.11194
Other threat	-0.02	0.71	0.41279
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.08	0.29	0.10545
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.02	0.53	0.30985
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.14	0.69	0.04398
Play	-0.19	0.13	0.0045
Greeting	-0.11	0.30	0.05347
Travel	0.05	0.81	0.13493

Table S19.2 Duration of joint resting behaviour ($r^2 = 0.099$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.27	1.63	0.01499
Sex	-0.12	1.25	0.08746
Kinship	-0.02	2.70	0.43428
Reproductive status	-0.05	1.28	0.35432
Copulation	0.01	0.84	0.33883
Food sharing	0.01	23.98	0.32234
Threat to dominate	-0.20	3.57	0.17641
Give groom	0.11	0.31	0.06097
Mutually groom	0.10	6.48	0.35732
Receive groom	0.08	1.44	0.16492
Reassurance	0.03	4.55	0.49125
Other threat	-0.03	1.75	0.32534
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.07	0.66	0.09645
Solo high-intensity panthoot	-0.01	1.34	0.49825
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.05	2.00	0.09045
Play	-0.04	0.27	0.18841
Greeting	0.04	0.75	0.17291

Travel	0.03	1.73	0.13493
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Table S19.3 Duration of joint travelling behaviour ($r^2 = 0.420$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.20	0.35	0.01399
Sex	0.08	0.29	0.18191
Kinship	0.02	0.58	0.24038
Reproductive status	-0.06	0.26	0.21139
Copulation	0.05	0.18	0.08496
Food sharing	-0.01	5.05	0.44828
Threat to dominate	0.03	1.10	0.34733
Give groom	0.05	0.07	0.16042
Mutually groom	0.03	1.42	0.44578
Receive groom	0.08	0.32	0.17391
Reassurance	0.37	1.02	0.12394
Other threat	-0.05	0.39	0.11044
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.06	0.14	0.11694
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.10	0.30	0.05547
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.26	0.45	0.01249

Play	-0.03	0.07	0.2099
Greeting	0.01	0.17	0.34783
Travel	0.10	0.44	0.04898

Table S19.4 Duration of giving grooming ($r^2 = 0.740$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.06	0.30	0.11244
Sex	-0.01	0.24	0.3988
Kinship	0.09	0.48	0.02199
Reproductive status	0.00	0.23	0.53273
Copulation	-0.01	0.21	0.43878
Food sharing	-0.01	6.39	0.28286
Threat to dominate	-0.20	1.17	0.10745
Give groom	0.69	0.12	0.0005
Mutually groom	-0.10	1.45	0.33183
Receive groom	0.20	0.33	0.03648
Reassurance	0.20	1.08	0.18991
Other threat	-0.06	0.47	0.02949
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	0.03	0.18	0.12244

Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.00	0.34	0.38831
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	-0.04	0.44	0.06197
Play	0.19	0.09	0.01049
Greeting	0.11	0.19	0.02549
Travel	0.10	0.54	0.03498

Table S19.5 Duration of mutual grooming ($r^2 = 0.586$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.12	0.53	0.07246
Sex	-0.16	0.45	0.007
Kinship	-0.01	0.90	0.58871
Reproductive status	0.08	0.42	0.11044
Copulation	0.01	0.25	0.27386
Food sharing	-0.02	9.54	0.28936
Threat to dominate	-0.65	1.45	0.006
Give groom	0.03	0.11	0.21839
Mutually groom	1.14	1.97	0.01049
Receive groom	0.53	0.48	0.0085
Reassurance	-0.25	1.47	0.21439

Other threat	-0.03	0.58	0.31184
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	0.01	0.27	0.5922
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.01	0.40	0.35582
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.05	0.58	0.08146
Play	-0.10	0.10	0.01249
Greeting	-0.05	0.21	0.11144
Travel	0.01	0.73	0.34483

Table S19.6 Duration of receiving grooming ($r^2 = 0.338$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.07	0.50	0.24388
Sex	0.03	0.41	0.33033
Kinship	-0.03	0.85	0.30585
Reproductive status	0.10	0.41	0.11844
Copulation	-0.02	0.24	0.43228
Food sharing	-0.01	6.74	0.4038
Threat to dominate	0.04	1.29	0.32384
Give groom	0.01	0.10	0.52524

Mutually groom	-0.52	2.01	0.07346
Receive groom	0.90	0.53	0.001
Reassurance	-0.04	1.37	0.37881
Other threat	0.02	0.53	0.1919
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.02	0.20	0.37381
Solo high-intensity panthoot	-0.01	0.41	0.48626
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	-0.01	0.60	0.56172
Play	-0.20	0.10	0.002
Greeting	-0.08	0.25	0.04148
Travel	0.02	0.55	0.13093

Table S19.7 Duration of visual attention towards dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.641$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.00	1.07	0.47326
Sex	0.01	0.86	0.43478
Kinship	0.16	1.96	0.01349
Reproductive status	0.23	1.06	0.0015

Copulation	0.02	0.53	0.26837
Food sharing	0.01	16.60	0.28686
Threat to dominate	-0.64	2.91	0.0045
Give groom	0.25	0.26	0.01149
Mutually groom	0.79	3.97	0.02549
Receive groom	0.51	0.96	0.001
Reassurance	-0.02	3.10	0.47926
Other threat	-0.01	1.16	0.51474
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.07	0.48	0.07146
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.03	0.89	0.24588
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.10	1.25	0.04848
Play	-0.09	0.24	0.01799
Greeting	-0.02	0.60	0.41529
Travel	0.04	1.33	0.14193

Table S19.8 Duration of visual attention away dyad partner ($r^2 = 0.276$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
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Age	0.33	1.87	0.001
Sex	-0.10	1.41	0.11044
Kinship	0.06	2.76	0.12744
Reproductive status	-0.03	1.35	0.38731
Copulation	0.01	0.84	0.32584
Food sharing	0.09	26.60	0.05147
Threat to dominate	0.10	4.63	0.25037
Give groom	0.24	0.37	0.01999
Mutually groom	-0.10	6.45	0.43478
Receive groom	0.38	1.55	0.02249
Reassurance	-0.29	5.47	0.2019
Other threat	-0.05	2.13	0.21489
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.09	0.72	0.04998
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.01	1.47	0.33333
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.13	2.06	0.03598
Play	-0.04	0.33	0.2044
Greeting	0.04	0.90	0.23938

Travel	0.06	2.13	0.09545
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Table S19.9 Duration of time in close proximity – within 2 m ($r^2 = 0.515$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.23	2.15	0.004
Sex	-0.06	1.62	0.16442
Kinship	0.13	3.59	0.04448
Reproductive status	0.11	1.77	0.07546
Copulation	0.02	0.99	0.25287
Food sharing	0.07	29.25	0.10595
Threat to dominate	-0.29	5.50	0.09545
Give groom	0.30	0.47	0.0075
Mutually groom	0.38	8.36	0.16192
Receive groom	0.55	1.95	0.006
Reassurance	-0.21	6.33	0.27486
Other threat	-0.03	2.35	0.27936
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.10	0.89	0.01299
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.03	1.70	0.25737

Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.14	2.59	0.02399
Play	-0.08	0.40	0.04698
Greeting	0.01	1.08	0.4013
Travel	0.06	2.56	0.09995

Table S19.10 Rate of scratch produced ($r^2 = 0.465$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	-0.05	0.55	0.30035
Sex	0.17	0.49	0.03348
Kinship	0.10	0.99	0.09045
Reproductive status	0.01	0.41	0.46977
Copulation	0.12	0.27	0.07396
Food sharing	-0.02	7.31	0.49425
Threat to dominate	0.19	1.42	0.1929
Give groom	0.10	0.11	0.10545
Mutually groom	0.48	2.05	0.15692
Receive groom	-0.12	0.46	0.16542
Reassurance	-0.20	1.54	0.32334

Other threat	0.48	0.65	0.002
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.04	0.23	0.33933
Solo high-intensity panthoot	-0.04	0.45	0.29785
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.11	0.59	0.07496
Play	-0.05	0.11	0.1954
Greeting	0.07	0.25	0.14793
Travel	-0.04	0.60	0.27586

Table S19.11 Rate of scratch received ($r^2 = 0.095$)

	Standardized coefficient	Standard error	<i>p</i>
Age	0.09	0.72	0.1974
Sex	0.21	0.63	0.03448
Kinship	0.09	1.34	0.17041
Reproductive status	0.05	0.49	0.28336
Copulation	0.03	0.34	0.27186
Food sharing	-0.07	11.31	0.12894
Threat to dominate	0.01	1.88	0.3978

Give groom	-0.15	0.15	0.02099
Mutually groom	0.20	2.67	0.34183
Receive groom	0.10	0.60	0.24288
Reassurance	-0.35	2.01	0.26787
Other threat	0.02	0.71	0.27536
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.13	0.31	0.01949
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.05	0.52	0.22139
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.09	0.67	0.10795
Play	-0.05	0.14	0.28136
Greeting	0.08	0.35	0.17341
Travel	0.01	0.83	0.35132

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Supplementary Information 2

Social bonding, gestural complexity and displacement behaviour of wild chimpanzee

Table 1. Multiple Regression Quadratic Assignment Procedure (MRQAP) regression models predicting duration of social behaviour and rates of scratch from rates of gestural communication. Summary table provides standardized coefficients (standard errors) and *p* values. In all models, the dependent variable was the duration of behaviour in mins, per hour dyad spent within 10 meters or rates of scratch per hour dyad spent within 10 meters. Shaded lines indicate different MRQAP models for demographic variables and for each type of gestural communication. All models include the control variables relating to the age, sex, kinship and reproductive status of the dyad. Green shading indicates statistically significant positive relationships, red shading indicates statistically significant negative relationships. Full results for all models are provided in Supplementary Tables. * *p* < 0.05, ** *p* < 0.01, *** *p* < 0.001

Behaviour	Joint activity			Groom			Attention		Proximity	Scratch	
	Feed	Rest	Travel	Give	Mutual	Receive	present	absent		Produced	Received
<i>Demography</i>											
Age	-0.01 (0.65)	0.29 (1.37)**	0.28 (0.42)**	0.21 (0.54)*	0.20 (0.70)***	-0.09 (0.48)	0.12 (1.47)	0.37 (1.73)**	0.32 (2.50)***	0.02 (0.61)	0.02 (0.61)
Sex	0.31 (0.69)**	-0.14 (1.31)	0.05 (0.39)	0.11 (0.53)	0.12 (2.49)	0.20 (0.51)*	0.30 (1.55)**	-0.06 (1.28)	0.12 (2.49)	0.20 (0.56)*	0.20 (0.56)*
Kinship	0.28 (1.28)*	-0.02 (2.25)	0.01 (0.72)	0.10 (0.96)	0.15 (4.39)	-0.01 (0.88)	0.18 (2.62)	0.07 (2.78)	0.15 (4.39)	0.08 (1.14)	0.08 (1.14)
Reproductive status	0.22 (0.72)*	0.04 (1.46)	0.01 (0.43)	0.03 (0.42)	0.14 (3.55)	0.08 (0.63)	0.28 (2.12)*	0.04 (1.39)	0.14 (3.55)	0.03 (0.42)	0.03 (0.44)
<i>Modality</i>											
Visual	0.15 (0.07)	0.02 (0.15)	0.62 (0.04)*	-0.26 (0.04)**	0.88 (0.07)***	0.50 (0.06)*	0.75 (0.15)***	0.033 (0.179)	0.45 (0.28)*	0.48 (0.07)*	0.08 (0.07)
ASR	0.21 (0.11)*	0.13 (0.24)*	0.04 (0.05)	0.73 (0.09)***	0.01 (0.08)	0.04 (0.08)	0.24 (0.19)*	0.290 (0.28)*	0.34 (0.39)*	0.13 (0.10)	-0.10 (0.10)*
ALR	-0.08 (0.13)	-0.06 (0.34)	-0.28 (0.08)**	0.19 (0.08)*	-0.51 (0.12)***	-0.27 (0.13)*	-0.44 (0.25)***	-0.03 (0.37)	-0.27 (0.48)**	-0.16 (0.13)*	-0.08 (0.14)
Tactile	-0.22	0.004	-0.02	0.41	-0.03	-0.20	-0.02	0.03	0.01	-0.07	-0.07

	Joint activity			Groom			Attention		Proximity	Scratch	
Behaviour	Feed	Rest	Travel	Give	Mutual	Receive	present	absent		Produced	Received
	(0.13)**	(0.29)	(0.07)	(0.08) ***	(0.10)	(0.12)***	(0.22)	(0.37)	(0.42)	(0.12)	(0.13)
<i>Object use</i>											
No object	0.03 (0.04)	0.10 (0.08)	0.47 (0.02)**	0.64 (0.04)**	0.64 (0.04)***	0.22 (0.03)*	0.69 (0.10)***	0.24 (0.10)*	0.56 (0.15)***	0.40 (0.03)*	-0.06 (0.03)
Object	-0.01 (0.08)	-0.08 (0.18)	-0.04 (0.04)	-0.20 (0.06)**	-0.15 (0.07)**	-0.04 (0.07)	-0.18 (0.14)**	-0.10 (0.20)	-0.17 (0.26)**	-0.02 (0.07)	-0.01 (0.08)
<i>Multimodal</i>											
Unimodal	0.16 (0.05)	0.06 (0.11)	0.22 (0.03)*	0.75 (0.04) ***	0.27 (0.04)*	0.25 (0.04)*	0.44 (0.09) ***	0.27 (0.13)*	0.44 (0.17)**	0.18 (0.04)*	-0.12 (0.05)
Multimodal (facial expression)	-0.13 (0.53)	0.06 (1.12)	0.30 (0.31)*	-0.23 (0.40)**	0.44 (0.47)*	0.001 (0.44)	0.31 (0.93)**	-0.04 (1.40)	0.14 (1.69)*	0.18 (0.49)*	0.06 (0.52)
Multimodal (vocal)	-0.07 (0.07)	-0.06 (0.16)	0.01 (0.04)	-0.07 (0.05)	-0.03 (0.06)	-0.09 (0.05)	-0.09 (0.12)*	-0.08 (0.19)	-0.11 (0.23)*	0.14 (0.06)	0.01 (0.07)
<i>Repertoire size</i>											
Dyadic repertoire size	-0.02 (0.04)	0.001 (0.10)	0.34 (0.03)**	0.26 (0.04)*	0.45 (0.05)**	0.14 (0.04)	0.42 (0.11)**	0.06 (0.12)	0.28 (0.20)*	0.35 (0.04)*	-0.04 (0.04)
<i>Combined gestures</i>											
Single (non- combined)	0.02 (0.04)	0.06 (0.10)	0.09 (0.02)	0.64 (0.04)	0.19 (0.04)	0.08 (0.04)	0.29 (0.09)**	0.18 (0.11)*	0.29 (0.16)	0.26 (0.04)*	-0.14 (0.04)
Combined	0.01 (0.16)	-0.03 (0.34)	0.41 (0.09)**	-0.19 (0.12)*	0.40 (0.16)**	0.13 (0.15)	0.30 (0.30)**	-0.03 (0.42)	0.15 (0.58)**	0.15 (0.15)	0.09 (0.16)
<i>Attention</i>											
Mutual	-0.04	0.10	0.12	0.78	-0.01	0.02	0.12	0.29	0.30	-0.03	-0.13

	Joint activity			Groom			Attention		Proximity	Scratch	
Behaviour	Feed	Rest	Travel	Give	Mutual	Receive	present	absent		Produced	Received
attention absent	(0.08)	(0.19)	(0.04)	(0.07)***	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.13)	(0.20)*	(0.24)**	(0.07)	(0.08)*
Mutual attention present	0.05 (0.06)	0.004 (0.16)	0.37 (0.04)**	-0.11 (0.04)*	0.63(0.07)**	0.21 (0.06)	0.56 (0.14)***	-0.03 (0.17)	0.26 (0.26)*	0.53 (0.06)*	0.05 (0.06)
<i>Bodily and manual</i>											
Bodily	0.067 (0.04)	0.06 (0.09)	0.50 (0.03)*	0.22 (0.03)*	0.58 (0.04)**	0.25 (0.04)*	0.55 (0.09)***	0.14 (0.12)	0.41 (0.16)*	0.55 (0.04)*	-0.02 (0.04)
Manual	-0.08 (0.09)	-0.01 (0.19)	-0.06 (0.05)	0.29 (0.07)*	-0.07 (0.08)	-0.09 (0.08)	-0.02 (0.15)	0.03 (0.23)	0.01 (0.31)	-0.18 (0.08)*	-0.06 (0.08)
<i>Events</i>											
Events	-0.01 (0.03)	0.04 (0.07)	0.40 (0.02)*	0.47 (0.03)*	0.45 (0.03)*	0.16 (0.02)	0.47 (0.07)***	0.15 (0.08)*	0.37 (0.12)*	0.36 (0.03)*	-0.07 (0.03)
<i>Indicative</i>											
Manual indicative	0.09 (0.41)	0.05 (1.03)	0.43 (0.28)*	0.17 (0.36)*	0.56 (0.46)***	0.17 (0.38)*	0.54 (0.95)***	0.09 (1.11)	0.37 (1.76)*	0.40 (0.43)*	0.01 (0.41)
Manual non-indicative	-0.08 (0.07)	0.01 (0.18)	0.04 (0.05)	0.35 (0.06)*	0.02 (0.07)	-0.02 (0.07)	0.06 (0.14)	0.07 (0.21)	0.08 (0.29)	-0.05 (0.07)	-0.07 (0.08)
<i>Proximity</i>											
Close	0.05 (0.05)	0.12 (0.12)*	0.27 (0.03)*	0.76 (0.05)***	0.39 (0.05)*	0.15 (0.04)	0.50 (0.12)*	0.29 (0.15)*	0.48 (0.21)***	0.21 (0.05)*	-0.11 (0.05)*
Far	-0.06 (0.04)	-0.05 (0.11)	0.22 (0.03)*	-0.11 (0.03)*	0.22 (0.04)*	0.05 (0.04)	0.13 (0.09)*	-0.07 (0.12)	0.03 (0.15)	0.24 (0.04)*	0.01 (0.05)
<i>Repetitive</i>											
Non-repetitive	-0.07 (0.05)	0.03 (0.10)	0.56 (0.03)*	-0.06 (0.04)	0.73 (0.05)***	0.21 (0.04)*	0.57 (0.10)*	0.03 (1.36)	0.33 (0.18)*	0.42 (0.042)*	0.05 (0.05)
Repetitive	0.09 (0.05)	0.02 (0.13)	-0.09 (0.03)	0.61 (0.05)***	-0.19 (0.04)*	-0.04 (0.04)	-0.01 (0.09)	0.01 (0.13)	0.11 (0.19)	-0.01 (0.05)	-0.14 (0.05)*

	Joint activity			Groom			Attention		Proximity	Scratch	
Behaviour	Feed	Rest	Travel	Give	Mutual	Receive	present	absent		Produced	Received
<i>Homogeneity</i>											
Heterogeneous	0.01 (0.08)	-0.02 (0.20)	-0.03 (0.05)	0.11 (0.07)	-0.15 (0.08)*	-0.01 (0.08)	-0.09 (0.15)*	0.04 (0.23)	-0.03 (0.30)	0.05 (0.08)	-0.03 (0.09)
Homogeneous	-0.01 (0.04)	0.08 (0.11)	0.43 (0.03)*	0.52 (0.04)*	0.60 (0.05)***	0.17 (0.04)*	0.60 (0.10)**	0.17 (0.12)*	0.45 (0.18)***	0.38 (0.042)*	-0.08 (0.04)
<i>Sequences</i>											
Single (no sequence)	0.08 (0.06)	0.08 (0.15)	0.22 (0.04)*	0.66 (0.06)**	0.33 (0.06)*	0.16 (0.05)	0.47 (0.13)*	0.23 (0.17)*	0.42 (0.25)***	0.08 (0.05)	-0.14 (0.06)*
Rapid sequence	-0.06 (0.19)	-0.03 (0.47)	0.20 (0.11)*	0.03 (0.13)	0.16 (0.17)*	0.01 (0.16)	0.09 (0.36)	-0.01 (0.48)	0.04 (0.65)	-0.02 (0.15)	0.01 (0.19)
Persistence	-0.03 (0.53)	0.03 (1.25)	0.14 (0.29)*	-0.05 (0.38)	0.16 (0.48)*	0.05 (0.46)	0.09 (1.04)	0.02 (1.49)	0.06 (1.86)	0.57 (0.50)***	0.06 (0.51)
<i>Penile erection</i>											
Penile erection	0.04 (0.22)	-0.01 (0.49)	0.07 (0.14)	0.02 (0.20)	-0.04 (0.23)	-0.04 (0.21)	-0.01 (0.47)	-0.01 (0.62)	-0.01 (0.80)	0.10 (0.22)	0.01 (0.23)
<i>Piloerection</i>											
Piloerection	-0.04 (0.04)	-0.02 (0.10)	0.38 (0.03)*	0.09 (0.04)	0.42 (0.04)*	0.14 (0.04)	0.35 (0.10)*	0.02 (0.13)	0.21 (0.17)*	0.24 (0.04)*	-0.05 (0.04)
<i>Gesture function</i>											
Copulation	0.05 (0.31)	0.01 (0.84)	0.05 (0.18)	-0.01 (0.21)	0.01 (0.25)	-0.02 (0.24)	0.02 (0.53)	0.01 (0.84)	0.02 (0.99)	0.12 (0.27)	0.03 (0.34)
Food sharing	0.1 (8.36)	0.01 (23.98)	-0.01 (5.05)	-0.01 (6.39)	-0.02 (9.54)	-0.01 (6.74)	0.01 (16.6)	0.09 (26.6)	0.07 (29.25)	-0.02 (7.31)	-0.07 (11.31)
Threat to dominate	-0.5 (1.64)*	-0.2 (3.57)	0.03 (1.1)	-0.2 (1.17)	-0.65 (1.45)**	0.04 (1.29)	-0.64 (2.91)**	0.1 (4.63)	-0.29 (5.5)	0.19 (1.42)	0.01 (1.88)
Give groom	0.17 (0.13)*	0.11 (0.31)	0.05 (0.07)	0.69 (0.12)***	0.03 (0.11)	0.01 (0.1)	0.25 (0.26)*	0.24 (0.37)*	0.3 (0.47)**	0.1 (0.11)	-0.15 (0.15)*

Behaviour	Joint activity			Groom			Attention		Proximity	Scratch	
	Feed	Rest	Travel	Give	Mutual	Receive	present	absent		Produced	Received
Mutually groom	0.66 (2.39)	0.1 (6.48)	0.03 (1.42)	-0.1 (1.45)	1.14 (1.97)*	-0.52 (2.01)	0.79 (3.97)*	-0.1 (6.45)	0.38 (8.36)	0.48 (2.05)	0.2 (2.67)
Receive groom	0.47 (0.55)*	0.08 (1.44)	0.08 (0.32)	0.2 (0.33)*	0.53 (0.48)**	0.9 (0.53)**	0.51 (0.96)**	0.38 (1.55)*	0.55 (1.95)**	-0.12 (0.46)	0.1 (0.6)
Reassurance	-0.59 (1.87)	0.03 (4.55)	0.37 (1.02)	0.2 (1.08)	-0.25 (1.47)	-0.04 (1.37)	-0.02 (3.1)	-0.29 (5.47)	-0.21 (6.33)	-0.2 (1.54)	-0.35 (2.01)
Other threat	-0.02 (0.71)	-0.03 (1.75)	-0.05 (0.39)	-0.06 (0.47)*	-0.03 (0.58)	0.02 (0.53)	-0.01 (1.16)	-0.05 (2.13)	-0.03 (2.35)	0.48 (0.65)**	0.02 (0.71)
Synchronized high-intensity panthoot	-0.08 (0.29)	-0.07 (0.66)	-0.06 (0.14)	0.03 (0.18)	0.01 (0.27)	-0.02 (0.2)	-0.07 (0.48)	-0.09 (0.72)*	-0.1 (0.89)*	-0.04 (0.23)	-0.13 (0.31)*
Solo high-intensity panthoot	0.02 (0.53)	-0.01 (1.34)	0.1 (0.3)	0 (0.34)	0.01 (0.4)	-0.01 (0.41)	0.03 (0.89)	0.01 (1.47)	0.03 (1.7)	-0.04 (0.45)	0.05 (0.52)
Synchronized low-intensity panthoot	0.14 (0.69)*	0.05 (2)	0.26 (0.45)*	-0.04 (0.44)	0.05 (0.58)	-0.01 (0.6)	0.1 (1.25)*	0.13 (2.06)*	0.14 (2.59)*	0.11 (0.59)	0.09 (0.67)
Play	-0.19 (0.13)**	-0.04 (0.27)	-0.03 (0.07)	0.19 (0.09)*	-0.1 (0.1)*	-0.2 (0.1)**	-0.09 (0.24)*	-0.04 (0.33)	-0.08 (0.4)*	-0.05 (0.11)	-0.05 (0.14)
Greeting	-0.11 (0.3)	0.04 (0.75)	0.01 (0.17)	0.11 (0.19)*	-0.05 (0.21)	-0.08 (0.25)*	-0.02 (0.6)	0.04 (0.9)	0.01 (1.08)	0.07 (0.25)	0.08 (0.35)
Travel	0.05 (0.81)	0.03 (1.73)	0.1 (0.44)*	0.1 (0.54)*	0.01 (0.73)	0.02 (0.55)	0.04 (1.33)	0.06 (2.13)	0.06 (2.56)	-0.04 (0.6)	0.01 (0.83)