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ABSTRACT

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A numerical taxonomic study is presented for the genus Brephosceles. The phenetic relationships of the OTU'S from five of the six species groups of Brephosceles are examined using a number of numerical taxonomic techniques. The results of four types of clustering methods are compared using cophenetic correlation coefficients. The results of the numerical taxonomic study are used to propose a reevaluation of the genus Brephosceles.

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INTRODUCTION

While large numbers of publications have appeared over the last decade examining the techniques of numerical taxonomy, few attempts have been made to apply these methodologies to the solution of actual taxonomic problems. This investigation is directed toward the phenetic relationships of six species groups of the feather mite genus Brephosceles (Proctophyllodidae) using methods of numerical taxonomy.

Conventional taxonomic studies of the parasitic Acarina have stressed the use of two or three weighted characters which are believed to represent adaptations to corresponding hosts. It has been suggested that taxa produced in this fashion may represent unnatural assemblages. The purpose of the present study is to unmask these unnatural groupings using methods of numerical or phenetic methodologies in an attempt to further elaborate the association between host and parasite.

Feather mites belong to the acarine superfamily Analgoidea and are found to be obligate ectoparasites living in or on the family of birds. They are commonly found in tandem between the barbs of the wings and tail feathers and apparently exist as scavengers living on feather fragments and sloughed skin cells (Atyeo and Braash, 1966). The complete life cycle develops through the following stages; egg, larva, protonymph, tritonymph, and adult. The non-feeding deutonymph is absent in the Analgoidea.

Brephosceles, Historical Account

Gaud (1957) first recognized three suprageneric subdivisions of the

feather mite family Proctophyllodidae which include the Alloptinae, Proctophyllodinae, and Trouessartinae. Subsequently, Atyeo and Peterson (1971) raised the Alloptinae to the familial level and reassigned the Trouessartinae to the new family Alloptinae. Concomittantly, Peterson (1971a, 1971b) described two additional subfamilies in the Alloptidae; the Echinacarinae and the Oxyalinginae. Thus, the Alloptidae includes the subfamilies Alloptinae (s.s.) (12 genera), the Trouessartinae (10 genera), the Oxyalinginae (5 genera), and the Echinacarinae and Thysanocercinae (monobasic).

The Alloptinae (s.s.) as redefined contains two complexes. They include the Alloptes complex (6 genera) in which the termini of the males is entire, i.e. the terminal lobes are fused, and the Brephosceles complex (6 genera) with males bearing a marked bifurcation of the terminus. In the future, each may be afforded suprageneric status.

The genus Brephosceles was first erected by Hull (1934) for feather mites having males characterized by the development of the terminal lobes and displaying lamellae on their margins. In 1968, Peterson and Atyeo described five new genera related to Brephosceles on the basis of development of certain setae, male genital regions and the condition of epimerites I. Later, Peterson (1971) revised the genus Brephosceles erecting six species groups each of which is restricted to a single avian order. The genus is one of the largest taxa of the Alloptinae containing thirty-nine species. Table 1 is a complete listing of the species, species groups, and the order of birds to which each group is restricted as monographed by Peterson (1971).

Table 1. The Brephosceles species

Group I - the forficiger group

Containing only one species, this taxon is restricted to the Gaviiformes (loons).

Brephosceles forficiger
Meginin and Trouessart (1884)

Group II - the decapus group

This group contains thirteen species of which all but three are restricted to a single host species. The entire group is restricted to the Procellariiformes (shearwaters and petrels).

Brephosceles decapus
Gaud (1953)

Brephosceles superbus
Dubinin (1949)

Brephosceles prolatus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles pachyptilae
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles pelagicus
Vitzthum (1921)

Brephosceles lunatus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles pterodromae
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles puffini
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles mariae
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles selenopeltatus
Peterson (1971)

Groups III - the marginiventris group

Table 1. continued

Of the five species in this group, two are restricted to a single host while the remainder are recorded from two or more hosts. This species group is restricted to the Procellariiformes (shearwaters, petrels, and albatrosses).

Brephosceles marginiventris
Trouessart (1889)

Brephosceles diomedei
Atyeo and Peterson (1970)

Brephosceles disjunctus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles lanceolatus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles bilobatus
Peterson (1971)

Group IV - the lambda group

This small group of four species, restricted to a single host, is restricted to the Anseriformes (ducks, geese, and swans).

Brephosceles lambda
Trouessart (1885)

Brephosceles discidicus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles anatina
Dubinin (1951)

Brephosceles anhimae
Peterson (1971)

Group V - the geranoxenus group

These two species of mites are ectoparasitic on two orders of birds - Gruiformes and Charadriiformes. B. geranoxenus is associated with a single host while chaubaudi is associated with three different species of birds.

Brephosceles geranoxenus
Peterson (1968)

Table 1. continued

Brephoscales chaubaudi
Gaud (1968)

Group VI - the charadrii group

The charadrii group is the largest species group of Brephosceles with seventeen species. Seven of these species are restricted to a single host while the remaining ten are found associated with two or more hosts. The group is parasitic on the Charadriiformes (sandpipers and plovers).

Brephosceles charadrii
Dubinin (1951)

Brephosceles haematopii
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles turgidus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles stephaniibycis
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles afribycis
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles furcifer
Trouessart (1885)

Brephosceles vanelli
Gaud (1959)

Brephosceles belonopteri
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles tuberi
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles longistriatus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles constrictus
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles hoplopteri
Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles inornatus
Peterson (1971)

Table 1. continued

Brephosceles chilensis

Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles virginensis

Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles lobivanelli

Peterson (1971)

Brephosceles collaricus

Peterson (1971)

All specimens were measured on a slide, and catalogued prior to use in the present study. It was the author's intention to obtain at least eight replicates of each species, and to include them in group VI. By using many replicates, it was thought that the extent of intrataxon variation and variation due to different hosts could be detected. Since only those slides were used that were in perfect condition, it was not always possible to obtain eight replicates of every species. However, the use of such specimens made the use of the D.F. designation (no comparison) unnecessary.

All the females were measured on an American Optical Company model Fifty scope equipped with a floating stage. The males were measured with a Wild-Heerbrugg phase contrast microscope. Measurements were made with the use of a micrometer disc eyepiece and were immediately converted to microns using a table of equivalents. The measurements for each OTU along with the no. of the host and the identification number of the slide were then recorded on a data sheet.

Characters Utilized

Character selection for the present study was based on the criteria suggested by Sokal and Sneath (1963). In this sense, a character

is considered to be any attribute of a group of organisms that varies from one specimen to another and is usually subdivided.

METHODS AND MATERIALS

Materials Utilized

All specimens used in this study were obtained from the feather mite collection housed at Youngstown State University. Each individual specimen was considered as an OTU (operational taxonomic unit). All OTU's had been identified, mounted on a slide, and catalogued prior to use in the present study. It was the author's intention to obtain at least eight replicates of each species, especially those of the species group VI. By using many replicates, it was thought that the extent of intrataxon variation and variation due to different hosts could be detected. Since only those slides were used that were in perfect condition, it was not always possible to obtain eight replicates of every species. However, the use of such specimens made the use of the N.C. designation (no comparison) unnecessary.

All the females were measured on an American Optical Company model Fifty scope equipped with a floating stage. The males were measured with a Wild-Heerbrugg phase contrast microscope. Measurements were made with the use of a micrometer disc eyepiece and were immediately converted to microns using a table of equivalents. The measurements for each OTU along with the name of the host and the identification number of the slide were then recorded on a data sheet.

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is considered to be any attribute of a group of organisms that varies from one specimen to another and can not be logically subdivided. These characters may be either quantitative, measurements of different parts of the body, or qualitative, the presence, absence or state of a character. Of the sixty characters eventually chosen, eleven were qualitative and forty-nine quantitative.

Since feather mites display marked sexual dimorphism, only nineteen of the sixty characters were common to both sexes. Thirty-nine characters were selected for the females and forty for the males. Tables 2 and 3 list the characters indicating type and area of the body utilized for each sex. The character state values for each OTU were punched on computer cards for processing and are on file in the Biology Department, Youngstown State University.

As a result of segments being fused, lost or modified in the acari, the body has been arbitrarily divided into the following regions; the gnathosoma, (chelicerae and pedipalps) the propodosoma (region of legs I and II) and the hysterosoma (regions of legs III and IV plus terminus). The latter two regions collectively are referred to as the idiosoma. Thus the idiosoma (propodosoma and hysterosoma) is characterized as the entire body of the mite exclusive of the mouth parts. The terminal portion of idiosoma posterior to legs IV is referred to as the opisthosoma.

An effort was made to select characters in each area of the body. For both male and female OTU'S extensive use was made of idiosoma chaetotaxy. The nomenclatural system used in the present study was originally developed by Atyeo and Gaud (1966) and subsequently modified and adapted to Brephosceles by Peterson (1971).

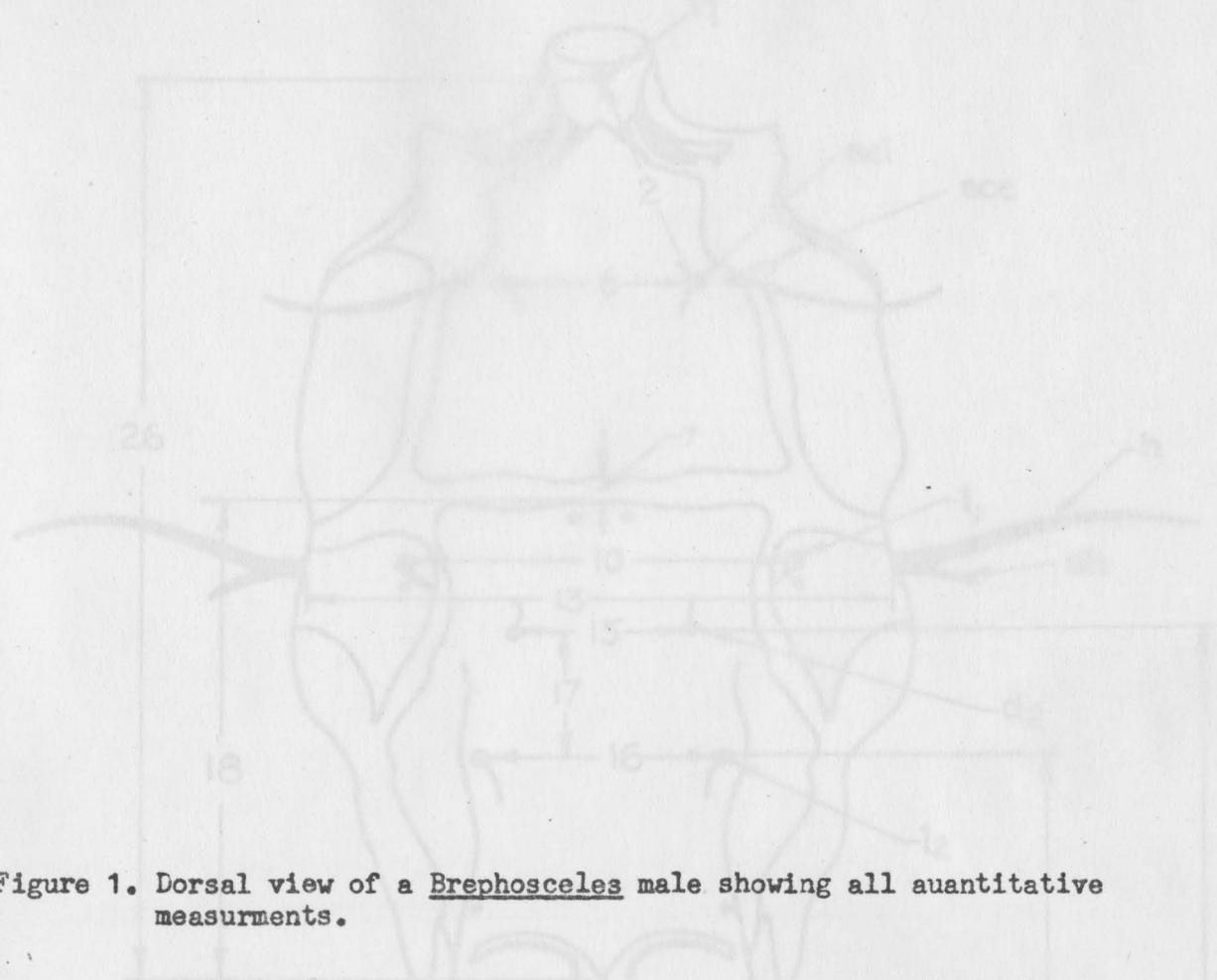
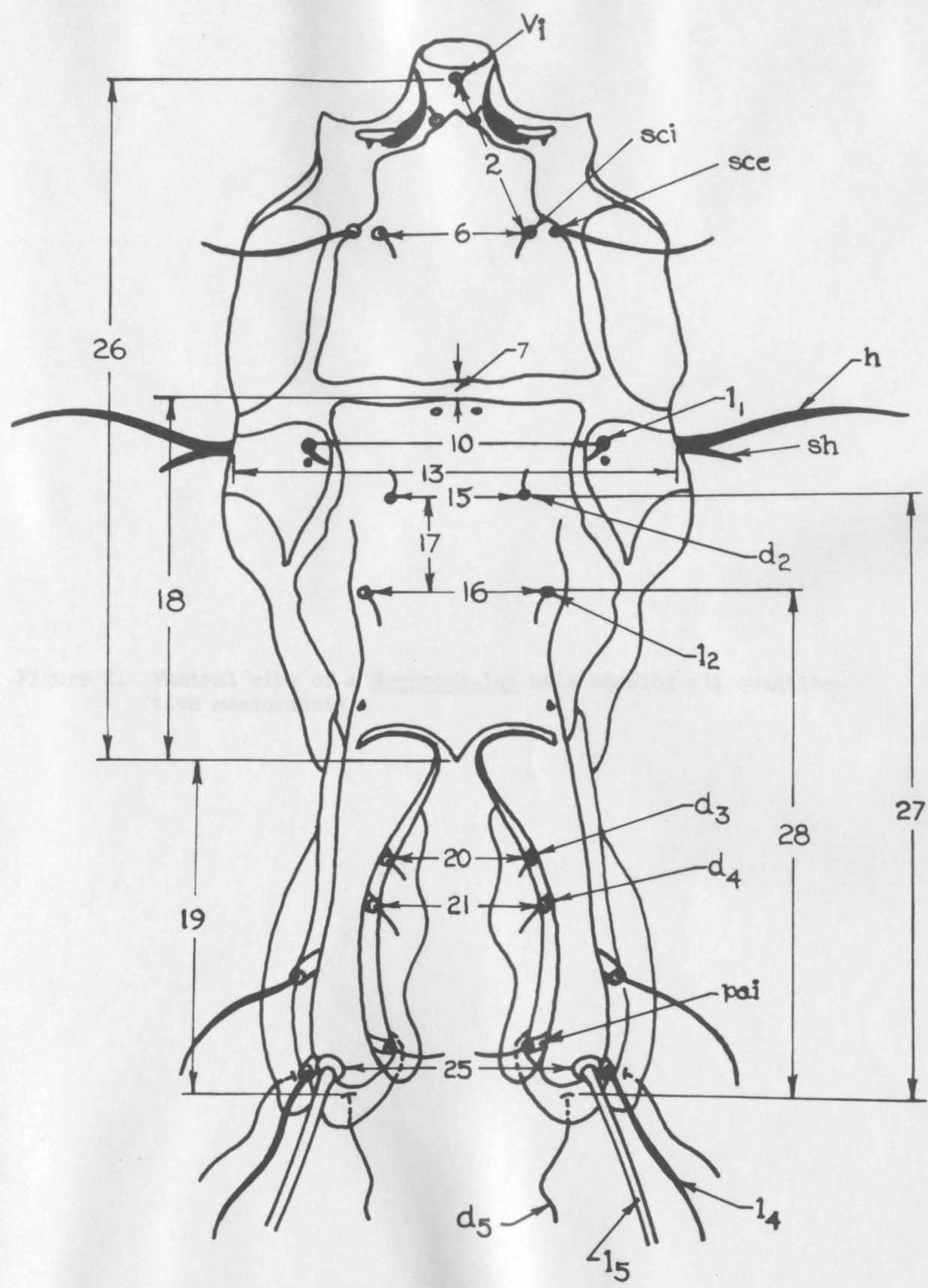


Figure 1. Dorsal view of a Brephosceles male showing all quantitative measurements.





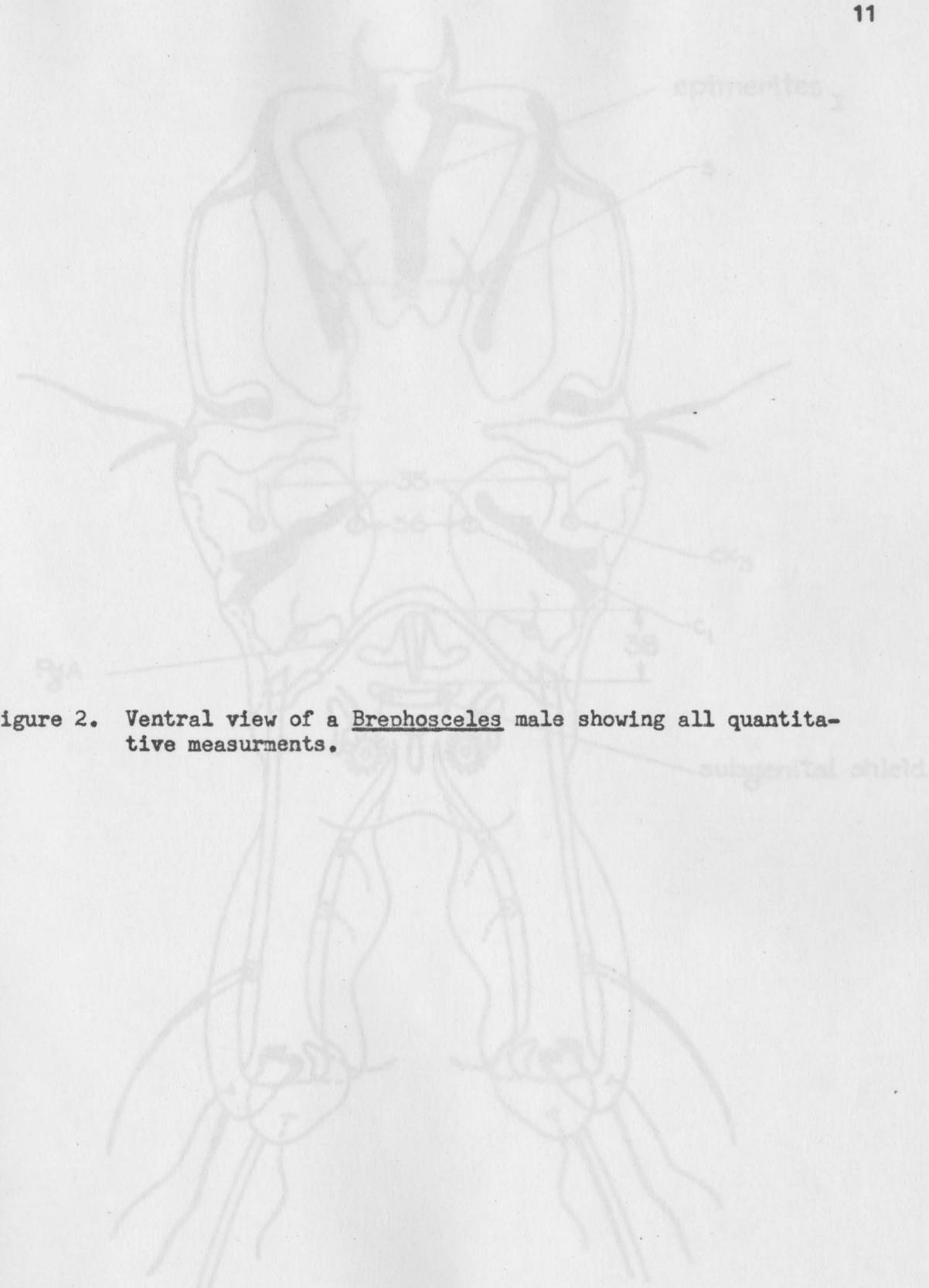
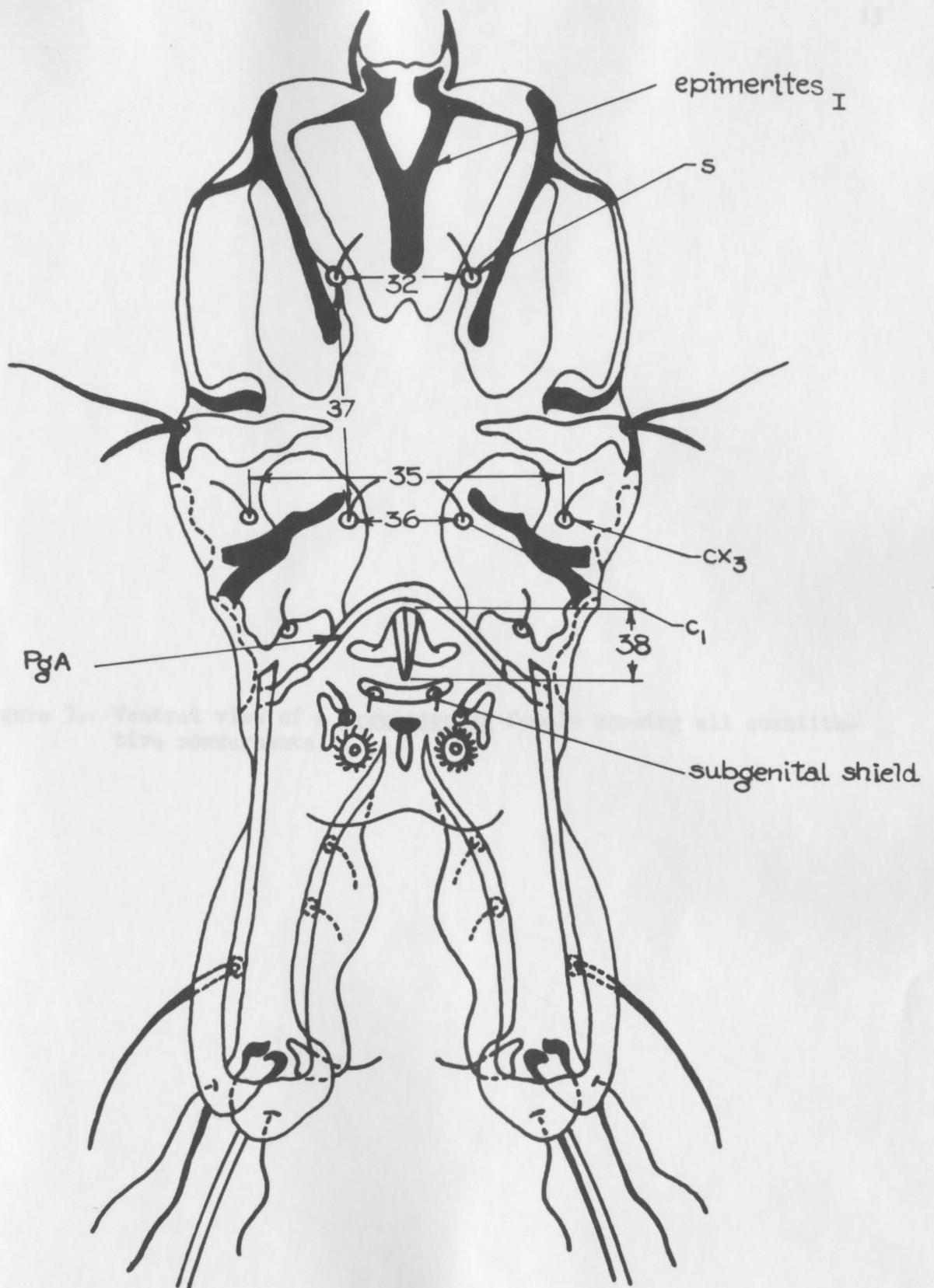


Figure 2. Ventral view of a Brephosceles male showing all quantitative measurements.



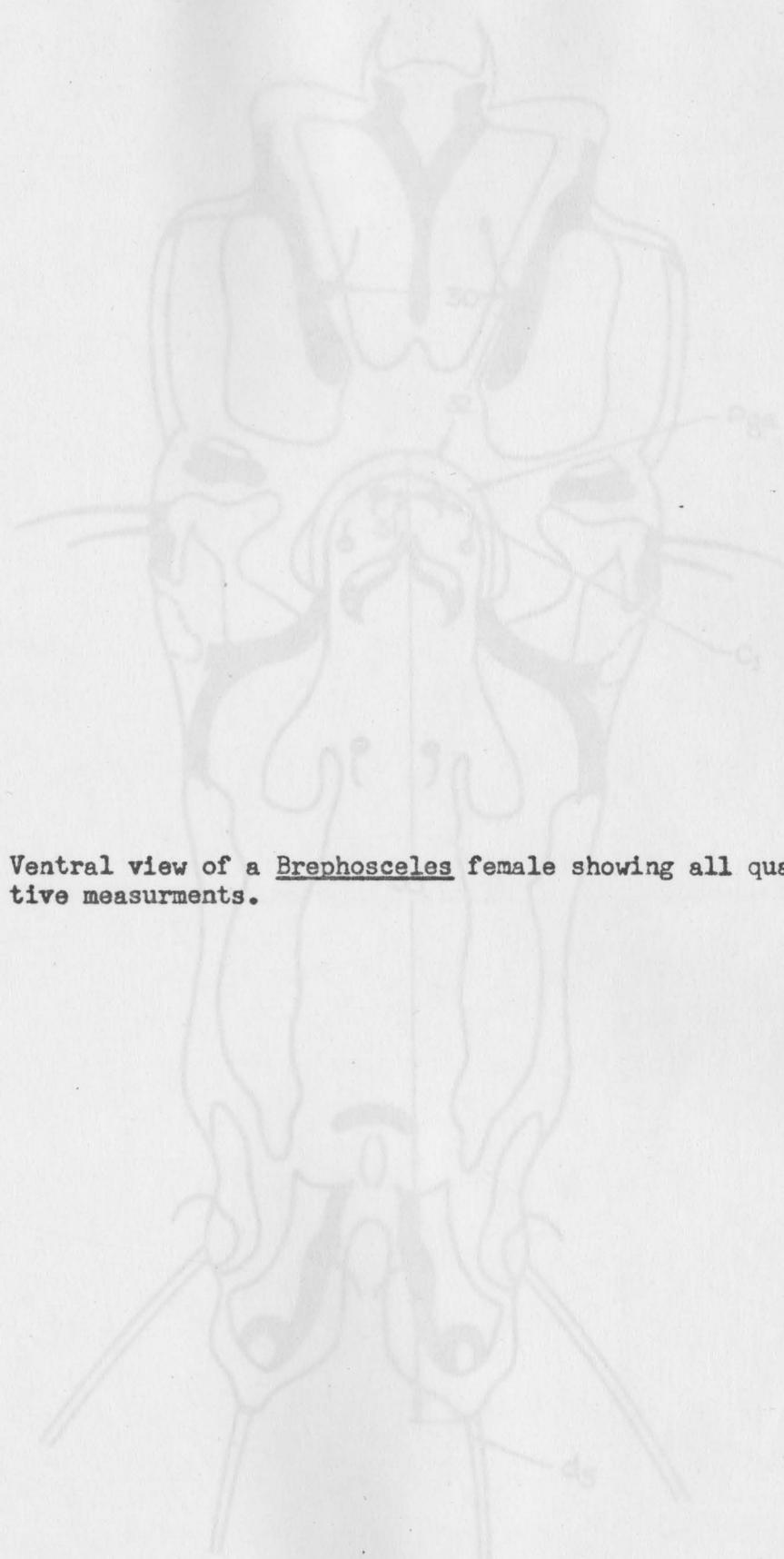


Figure 3. Ventral view of a Brephosceles female showing all quantitative measurements.

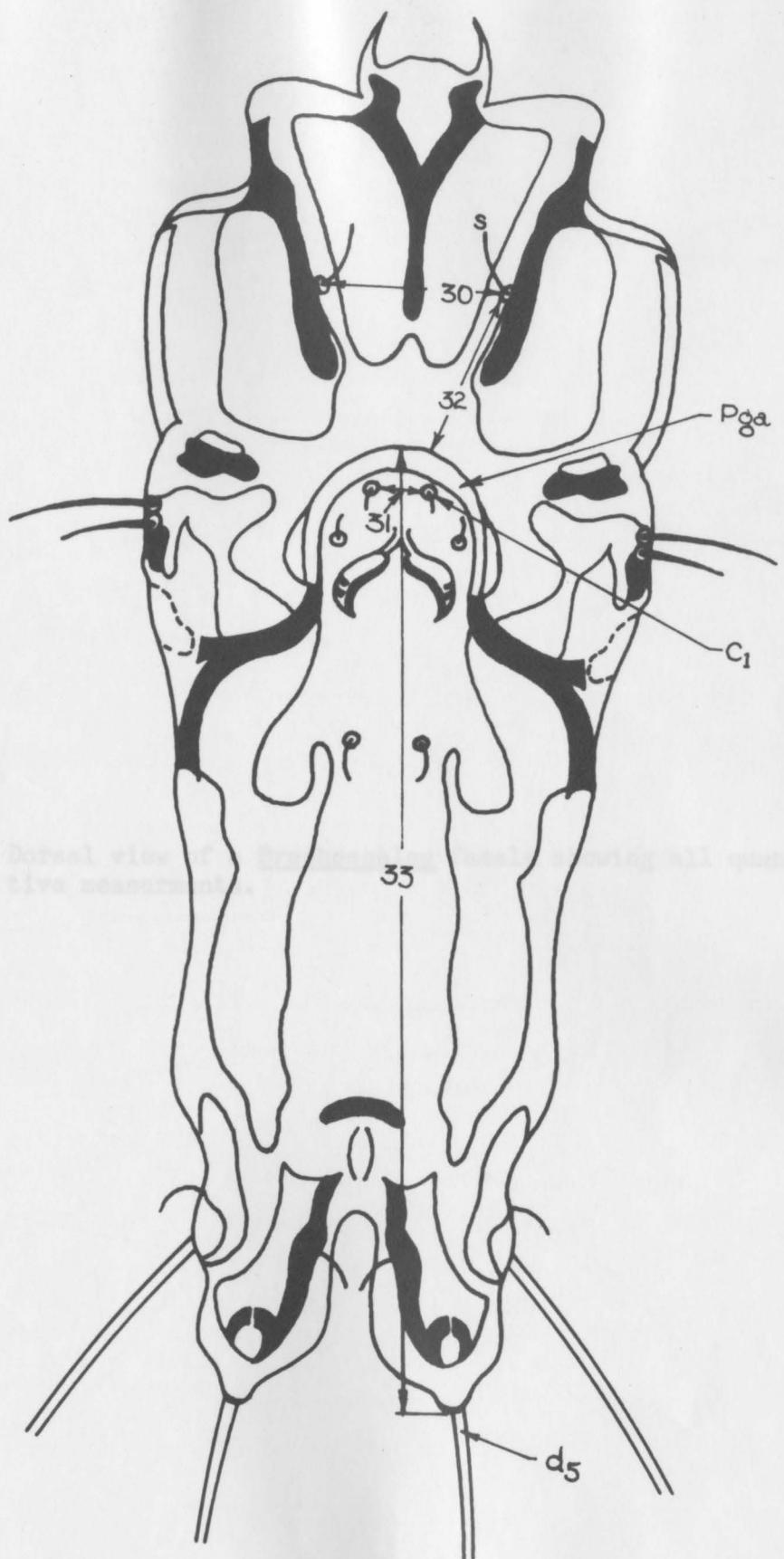


Figure 4c. Dorsal view of the mite *Uropeltis oblonga* sp. n. (Acarina: Uropeltidae) female, holotype, magnified 100 times.

Figure 4. Dorsal view of a Brephosceles female showing all quantitative measurements.

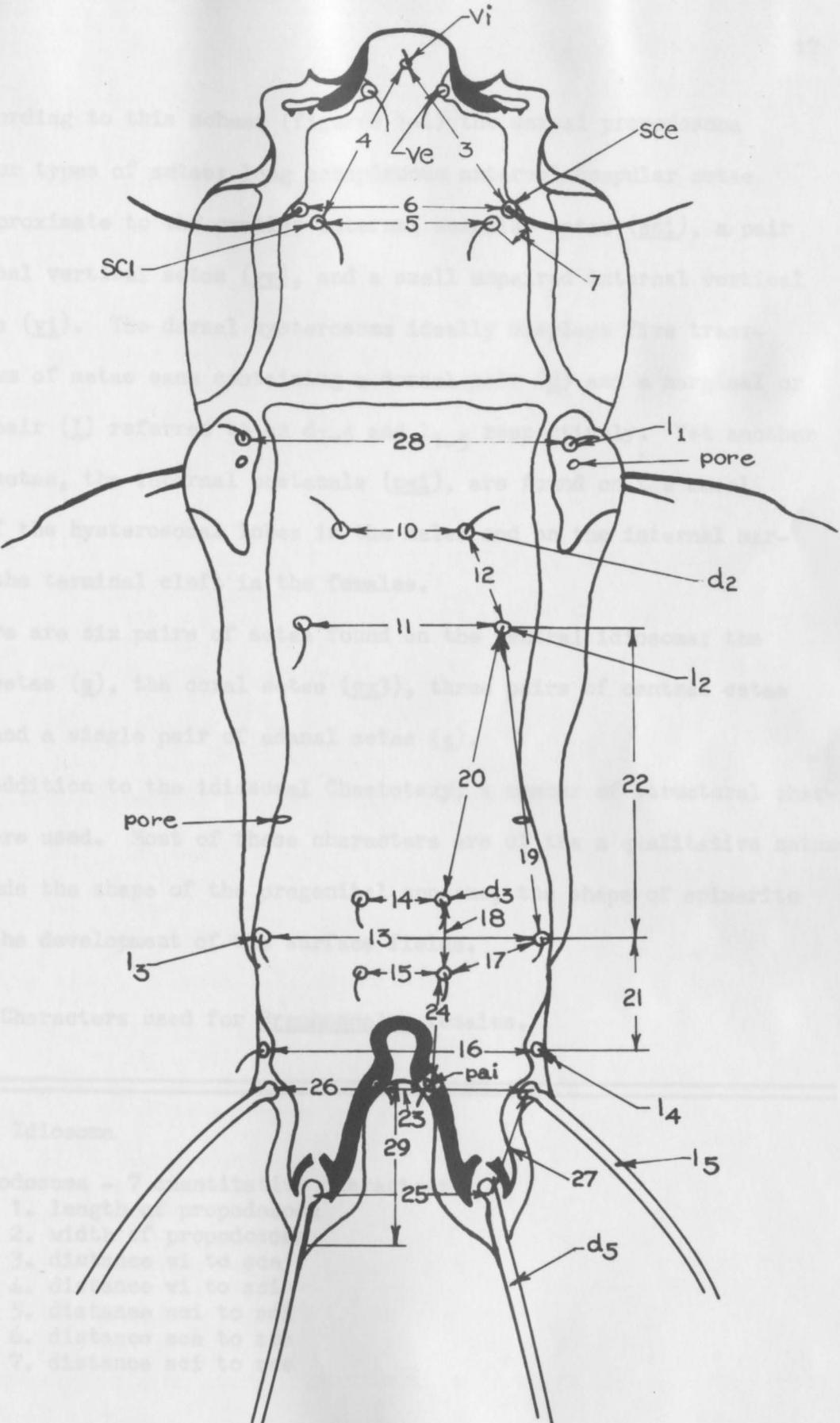


Table 2. Characters and measurements.

Systematic - 22 quantitative characters.

B. Length of byssus threads.

According to this scheme (figures 1-4) the dorsal propodosoma bears four types of setae; long conspicuous external scapular setae (sce) approximate to the smaller internal scapular setae (sci), a pair of external vertical setae (ve), and a small unpaired internal vertical microseta (vi). The dorsal hysterosoma ideally displays five transverse rows of setae each containing a dorsal pair (d) and a marginal or lateral pair (l) referred to as d_{1-5} and l_{1-5} respectively. Yet another pair of setae, the internal postanals (pai), are found on the mesal margin of the hysterosomal lobes in the males and on the internal margins of the terminal cleft in the females.

There are six pairs of setae found on the ventral idiosoma; the sternal setae (s), the coxal setae (cx3), three pairs of central setae (c₁₋₃), and a single pair of adanal setae (a).

In addition to the idiosomal Chaetotaxy, a number of structural characters were used. Most of these characters are of the a qualitative nature and include the shape of the pregenital apodeme, the shape of epimerite I, and the development of the surface fields.

Table 2. Characters used for Brephosceles females.

I. Dorsal Idiosoma

Propodosoma - 7 quantitative characters

1. length of propodosoma
2. width of propodosoma
3. distance vi to sce
4. distance vi to sci
5. distance sci to sci
6. distance sce to sce
7. distance sci to sce

Hysterosoma - 22 quantitative characters

8. length of hysterosoma

Table 2. continued

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- I. Dorsal - 29 quantitative characters, 2 qualitative
9. width of hysterosoma
 10. distance d_2 to d_2
 11. distance l_2 to l_2
 12. distance d_2 to l_2
 13. distance l_3 to l_3
 14. distance d_3 to d_3
 15. distance d_4 to d_4
 16. distance l_4 to l_4
 17. distance l_3 to d_4
 18. distance d_3 to d_4
 19. distance l_2 to l_3
 20. distance l_2 to d_3
 21. distance l_3 to l_4
 22. distance l_4 to l_2
 23. distance pai to pai
 24. distance pai to d_4
 25. distance d_5 to d_5
 26. distance l_5 to l_5
 27. distance d_5 to l_5
 28. distance l_1 to l_1
 29. size of cleft
- II. Ventral Idiosoma - 4 quantitative characters
30. distance c_1 to c_1
 31. distance s to s
 32. distance pga to s
 33. distance pga to d_5
- III. Body size - 2 quantitative characters
34. body length
 35. body width
- IV. ratios - 3 quantitative characters
36. propodosoma length to width
 37. hysterosoma length to width
 38. body length to width
- V. Qualitative characters - 1 quantitative, 4 qualitative
39. setae d_3 present (2) or absent (1)
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Table 3. Characters used for Brephosceles males.

I. Dorsal Idiosoma

Propodosoma - 6 quantitative characters, 2 qualitative

1. vi absent (1) or present (2)
2. distance vi to sci
3. length of propodosoma
4. width of propodosoma
5. ratio of length to width
6. distance sci to sci
7. ve absent (1) or present (2)
8. distance from propodosoma to hysterosoma

Hysterosoma - 19 quantitative characters, 4 qualitative

9. shape of \underline{l}_1 : spiculiform (1), setiform (2), lanceolate (3)
10. distance \underline{l}_1 to \underline{l}_1
11. length of \underline{l}_1
12. shape of sh: spiculiform (1), setiform (2), lanceolate (3)
13. distance \underline{h} to \underline{h}
14. \underline{d}_1 present (2) or absent (1)
15. distance \underline{d}_2 to \underline{d}_2
16. distance \underline{l}_2 to \underline{l}_2
17. distance \underline{d}_2 to \underline{l}_2 at midline
18. distance hysterosoma to cleft
19. distance cleft to \underline{d}_5 at midline
20. distance \underline{d}_3 to \underline{d}_3
21. distance \underline{d}_4 to \underline{d}_4
22. distance \underline{d}_3 to \underline{d}_4
23. distance \underline{d}_4 topai
24. \underline{d}_4 above (2) or below (1) \underline{l}_3
25. distance \underline{l}_5 to \underline{l}_5
26. distance vi to cleft
27. distance \underline{d}_2 to \underline{l}_5 at midline
28. distance \underline{l}_2 to \underline{l}_5 at midline
29. width of hysterosoma at \underline{l}_1
30. length of hysterosoma at midline
31. ratio of length to width of hysterosoma

II. Ventral Idiosoma - 5 quantitative, 4 qualitative

32. distance \underline{s} to \underline{s}
33. shape of epimerites I: 1, 2, or 3
34. development of surface fields:
 - well developed unfused (1)
 - well developed ventral shield (2)
 - poorly developed (3)

Table 3. continued

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- 35. distance cx3 to cx3
 - 36. distance c₁ to c₁
 - 37. distance s to c₁
 - 38. length of genital organ
 - 39. subgenital shield present (2) or absent (1)
 - 40. shape of pregenital apodeme: 1, 2, 3, or 4
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Computational and Analytical Methods

formula

The procedures and terminology used throughout this study are primarily those developed by Sokal and Sneath (1963). Most of the data processing was carried out by the Numerical Taxonomy System of Multivariate Statistical Programs (NT-SYS). The author wrote a fortran NT program using the correlation coefficient (r) and the weighted pair group method using Spearman's sums of variables (WPGMS) as a clustering technique. Preliminary calculations were carried out using this program and the results parallel those obtained using the NT-SYS program. In addition, a program was prepared for the averaging of the basic data matrix to produce condensed or averaged OTU'S. All of the data processing was carried out at the Youngstown State University Computer Center.

Since an unusually large number of OTU'S of different sexes utilising different characters were employed in the present study, eight basic data matrices were constructed for the data processing. They are as follows:

- 1. charadrii males - 92 OTU'S
- 2. charadrii females- 94 OTU'S
- 3. decapus males - 47 OTU'S

- relative size.
4. decapus females - 61 OTU'S
 5. groups 3, 4, and 5 males - 37 OTU'S
 6. groups 3, 4, and 5 females - 43 OTU'S
 7. average charadrii males - 17 OTU'S
 8. average charadrii females - 14 OTU'S

Two types of similarity coefficients were employed, the Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient (r), and the average distance coefficient (d). The former can be calculated by the computational formula

$$r_{j,k} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_{ij} - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) (\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij})}{\left\{ \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij})^2 \right] \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ik}^2 - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ik})^2 \right] \right\}^{1/2}}$$

While the latter calculated as follows:

$$d_{j,k} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ik}^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij} X_{ik} \right)^{1/2}$$

In most studies requiring the use of either of the above coefficients, transformation of the basic data matrix is necessary if meaningful results are desired. Rohlf and Sokal (1965) found that the best results using the correlation coefficient were obtained when character states were standardized by conversion of the mean to zero and the standard deviation to one according to the following equation:

$$X'_{ij} = X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i / S_i$$

where X'_{ij} is the standardized or transformed character state, X_{ij} is the unstandardized or raw character state, \bar{X}_i is the mean of all the character values, and S_i is the standard deviation. Such standardization results in each character receiving equal weight regardless of its arithmetic averaging (UPGMA) and the neighbor group method using arithmetic averaging (NOMA) gave the same results.

relative size. The immediate effect of this procedure is a decrease in similarity between OTU'S. In the present study, no correlations less than 0.85 were found using unstandardized characters. However, when the original data was standardized, negative correlations as high as -0.20 were obtained. When data is standardized for use in calculation of the average distance coefficient there is little difference between the resulting matrix of associations and that obtained using raw character states. Moss (1968) found cophenetic correlations between standardized and unstandardized data as high as 0.927 for the distance coefficient but only 0.374 for the correlation coefficient.

When most characters are measurements of different parts of the body and the OTU'S are of different sizes, the best method of calculating coefficients of association is the correlation coefficient (r). If the average distance coefficient (d) is used in such cases, the character states must be converted to a percentage of the total body length or the resulting phenograms will be a measure of similarity of size rather than shape. Since the current study employs a large number of continuous quantitative variables as characters, only results obtained using the Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient are reported.

Once data has been standardized and a matrix of associations calculated, some type of clustering technique must be used to summarize graphically the phenetic relationships between OTU'S. These techniques are referred to as hierarchical clustering schemes and a wide variety have appeared in the literature. Of the numerous types used in the present study, it was found that the unweighted pair group method using arithmetic averaging (UPGMA) and the weighted pair group method using arithmetic averaging (WPGMA) gave the highest cophenetic correlations

between the original matrix of correlations and the resulting phenogram. According to Rohlf (1970), of all the hierarchical clustering schemes which make use of two dimensional displays and which place similar OTUS together, the UPGMA gives the best results.

The precision with which a given clustering technique translates a matrix of correlations into a phenogram is measured by the cophenetic correlation coefficient. A high correlation shows a minimum distortion of the original matrix of correlations and indicates a high degree of confidence that the resulting phenogram is an accurate representation of actual phenetic relationships. Low values indicate a large amount of distortion and a low level of confidence in the phenogram produced. While no acceptable levels of correlation have been established for use in numerical taxonomic studies, values much less than 0.80 are generally considered to be questionable. In the present study, only phenograms having cophenetic correlations of 0.79 or higher have been used.

A total of eight phenograms were produced each one corresponding to one of the basic matrices. The clustering technique used in each case was the UPGMA. Owing to the difference between the phenons produced in the charadrii group and the existing species, the phenons were averaged and run with species groups three, four and five to determine their relationship to these groups and to one another.

Figures 5 and 6 are the phenograms produced from the basic data matrices of the males and females of group six, the charadrii group. Both phenograms show some disparity between the established taxa and

the groups produced by the clustering routine. For this reason, it was decided to compare the results of the numerical taxonomic analysis with the results of the phenetic analysis.

RESULTS OF NUMERICAL TAXONOMIC ANALYSIS

Calculation of Pearson's product-moment correlation coefficient (r) from the standardized basic data matrix produced eight similarity matrices. Each matrix was clustered using a variety of clustering techniques which produced a total of twenty phenograms. Because a phenogram is a one-dimensional representation of a multi-dimensional association, the results obtained for a given clustering method must be interpreted in terms of the similarity matrix from which it was generated. The best method of judging such a relationship is the cophenetic correlation coefficient. This coefficient is a measure of the amount of information transferred from the similarity matrix to the phenogram by any given clustering method. Table 4 provides a comparison of the different types of clustering techniques used with each of the eight basic data matrices.

The data from table 4 clearly shows the large range of correlations obtained using the many types of clustering methods in general use. It can also be seen that in the present study the unweighted pair group method using arithmetic averaging (UPGMA) consistently gave higher cophenetic values than any of the other methods tested. For this reason, only phenograms obtained using the UPGMA method will be reported here.

The charadrii group

Figures 5 and 6 are the phenograms produced from the basic data matrices of the males and females of group six, the charadrii group. Both phenograms show some disparity between the established taxa and a 0.50 level of correlation for the females and 0.65 for the males. This

the groups produced by the clustering routine. For this reason, it was decided to draw phenon lines in an attempt to determine the number of

Table 4. Comparison of cophenetic correlation coefficients of several types of clustering methods.

<u>Data matrix</u>	<u>No. of OTU'S</u>	<u>Correlation</u>			
		UPGMA	WPGMA	COMPLETE	SINGLE
Male: <u>charadrii</u>	92	.79	.71	.75	.42
Female: <u>charadrii</u>	94	.85	.81	.83	---
Male: <u>decapus</u>	47	.88	.86	---	---
Female: <u>decapus</u>	61	.85	.84	---	---
Groups 3, 4, and 5 males	37	.93	.87	---	---
Groups 3, 4, and 5 females	43	.86	.85	---	---
Average <u>charadrii</u> males with 3, 4, and 5	54	.88	---	---	---
Average <u>charadrii</u> females with 3, 4, and 5	57	.84	---	---	---

the resemblance of the female birds to the males in phenons 2 phenons present. It was not possible to draw such a line at any given level of correlation and still produce reasonable groups leading to taxonomic stability. Therefore, a variable line was drawn around the 0.50 level of correlation for the females and 0.65 for the males. This

procedure produced a total of fifteen phenons for the females and seventeen for the males.

With the exception of phenon 1 (four species and twenty-eight OTU'S) and some minor splitting (one OTU) of afribycis, longistriatus, and hoplopteri, the phenetic groups of the female charadrii are strikingly similar to those produced by traditional methods. Phenon 1 appears to represent a large homogeneous complex made up of charadrii, virginensis, inornatus, and collaricus. On the basis of the characters used in the present study, these four species are indistinguishable. They form a single large phenon similar in structure to most of the others produced in the study.

Generally, the males of the charadrii group show less affinity with established taxa than the females. This is not surprising in view of the fact that all the males of this species group are indistinguishable (Peterson, 1971). This is also reflected by the low cophenetic correlation obtained during clustering (0.79). Phenon 2 a complex made up of three species (longistriatus, charadrii, and virginensis) is very similar to that found in the female group. One further point concerns the splitting of the species virginensis. The eight OTU'S of this species are found associated with three widely separated phenons. The remainder of the phenons show a close relationship to established taxa.

Even though the male charadrii group is represented by a different group of characters (males and females have 19 characters in common) the resemblance to the female study is obvious. For example, phenon 2 of the males with it's close association to phenon 3 (inornatus) and 4 (collaricus) shows a strong resemblance to phenon 2 of the females.

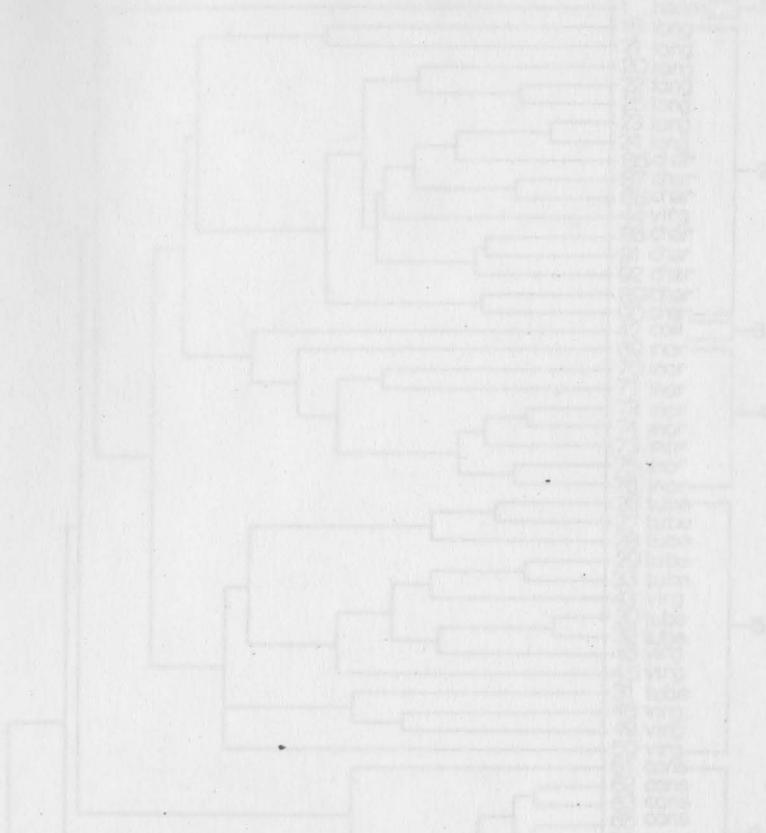


Figure 5. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 92
charadrii males. $r = 0.79$.

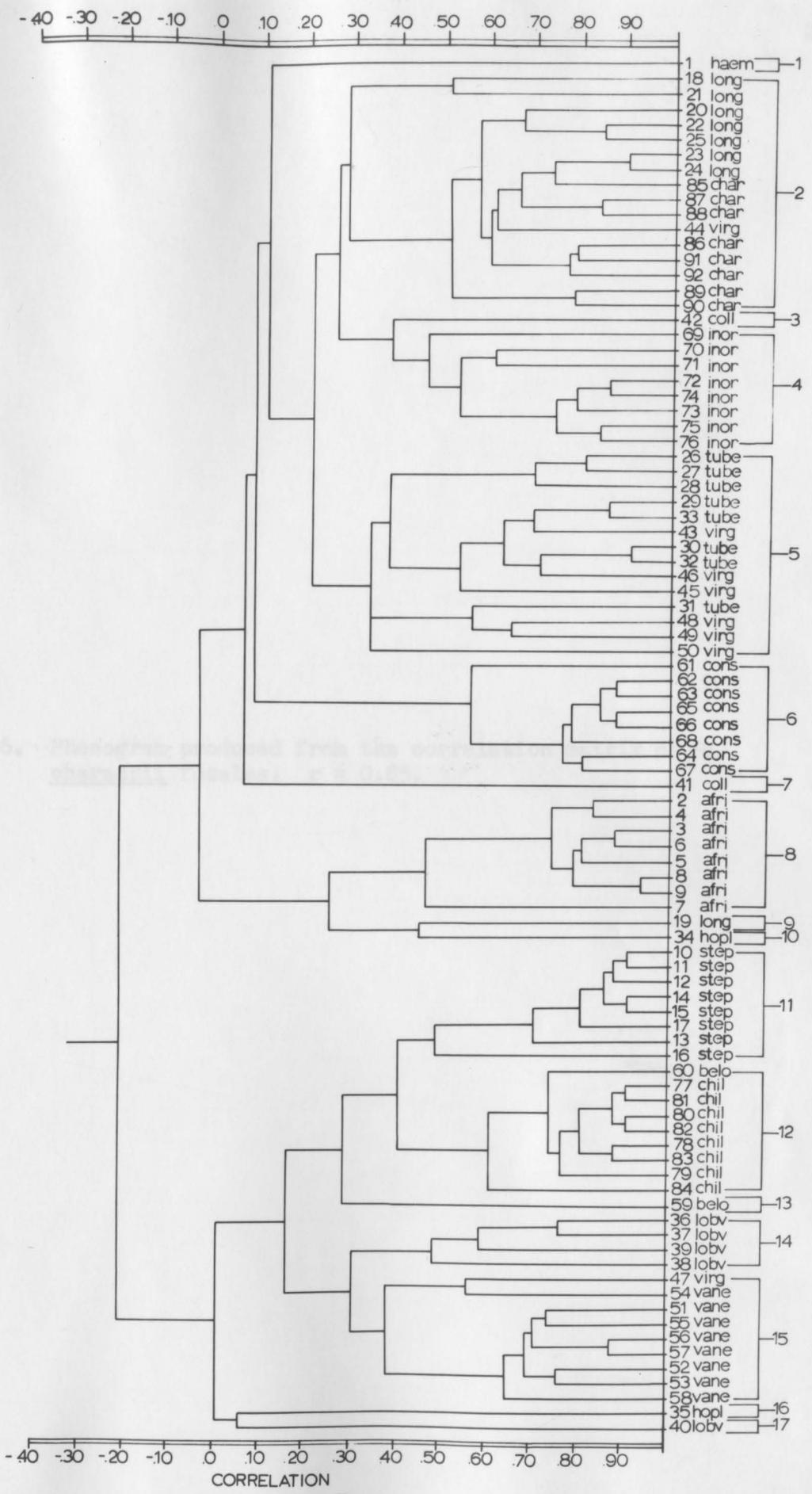
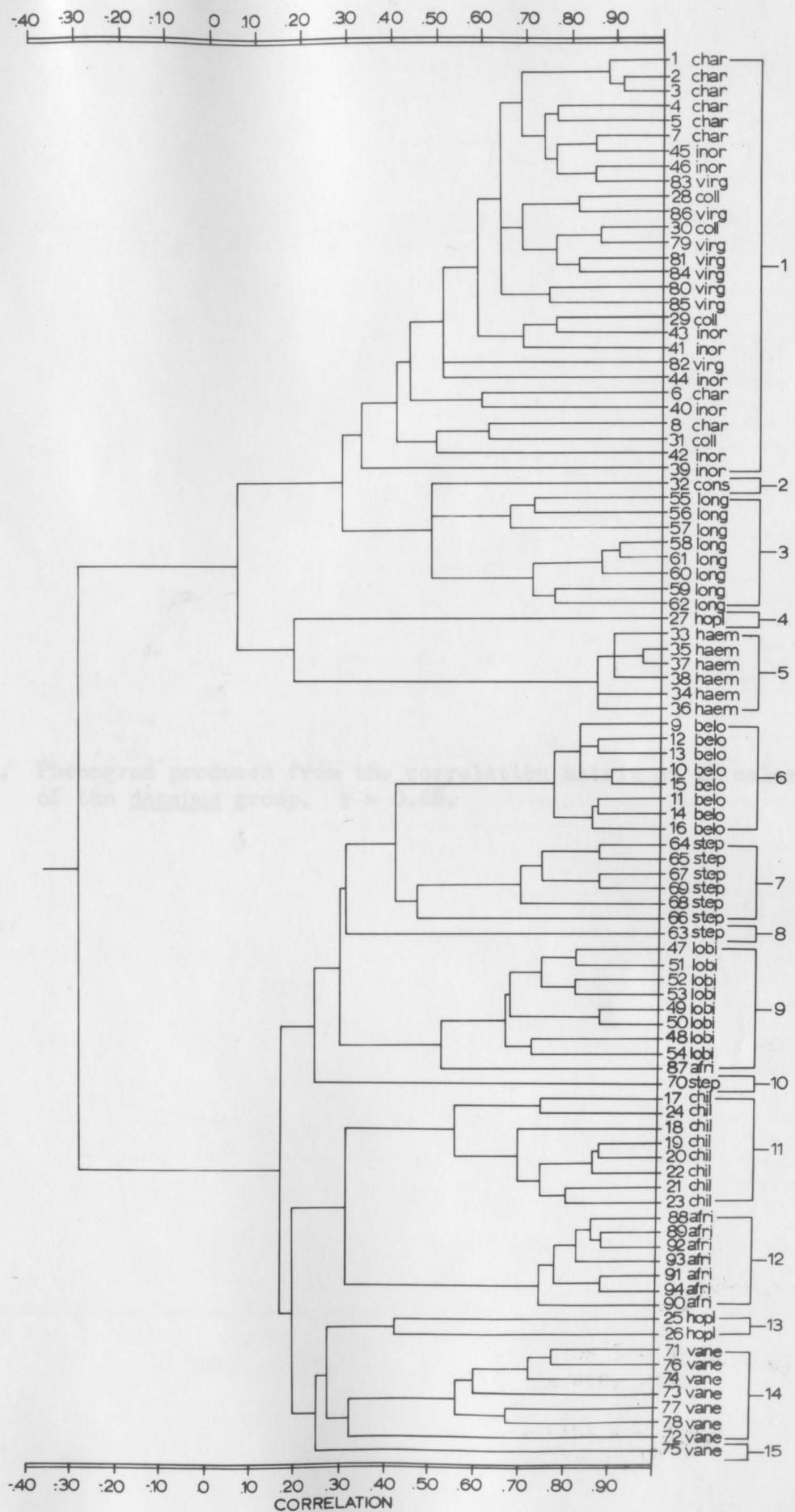


Figure 6. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 94 charadrii females. $r = 0.85$.



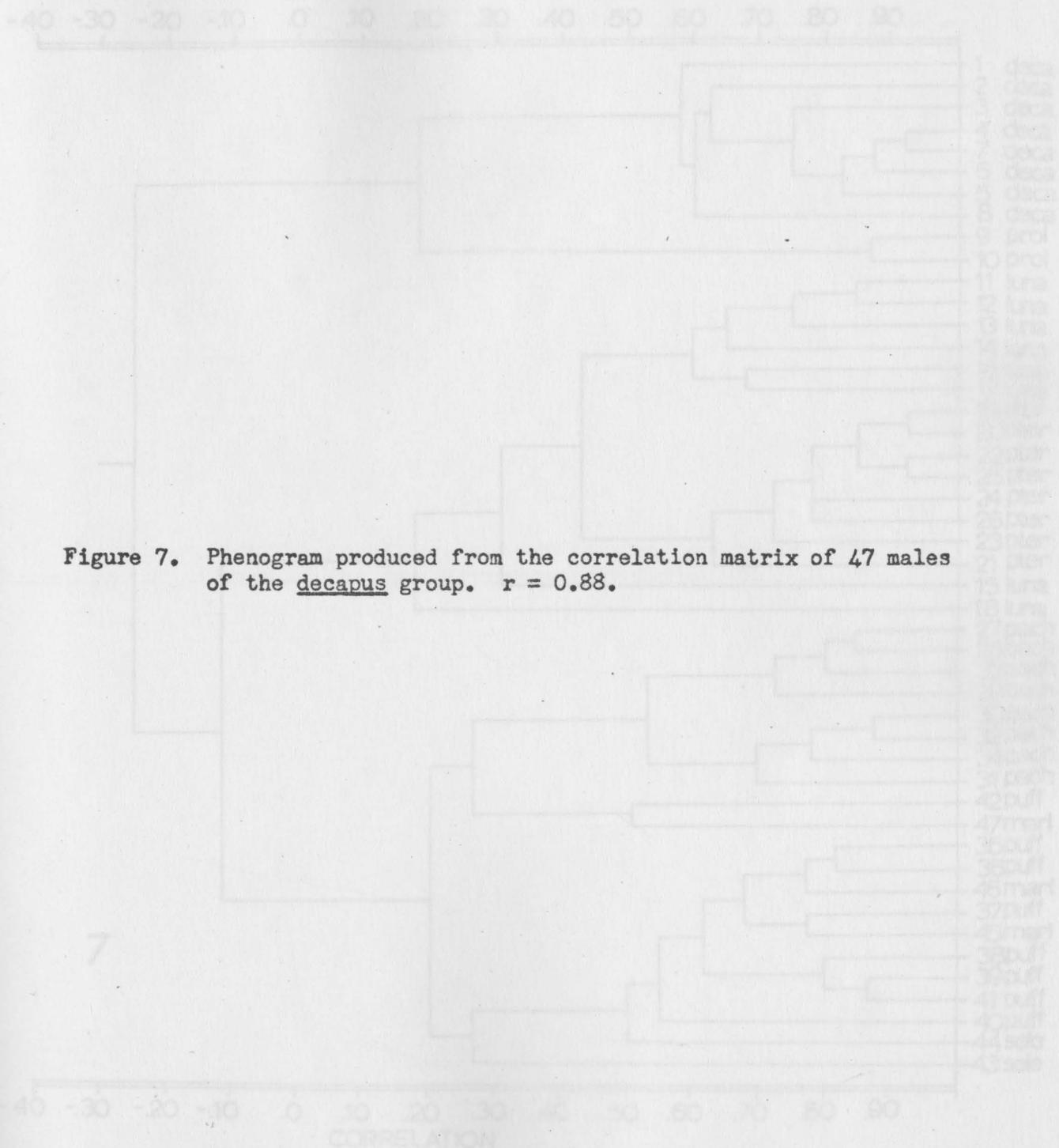


Figure 7. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 47 males of the decapus group. $r = 0.88$.

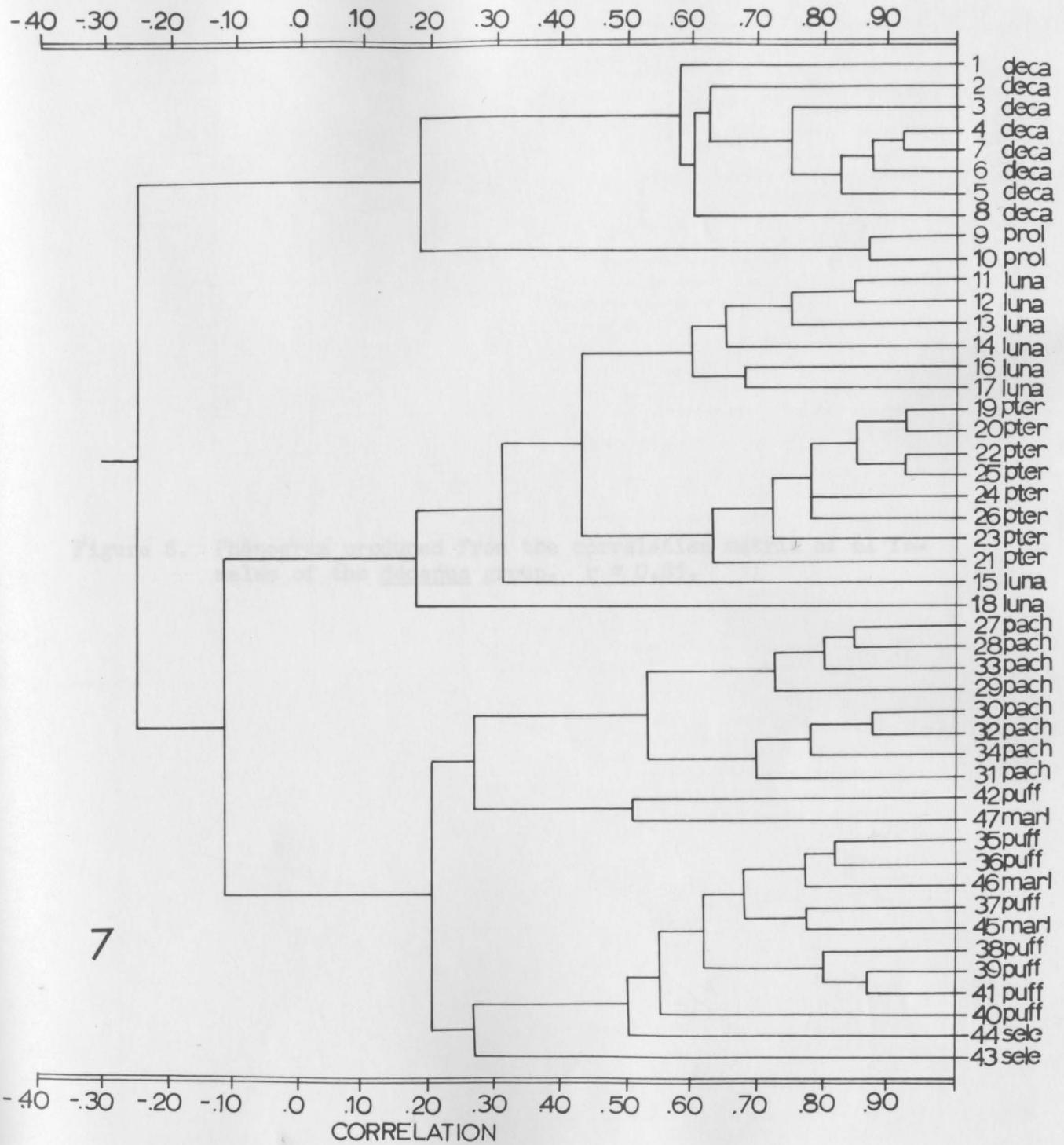
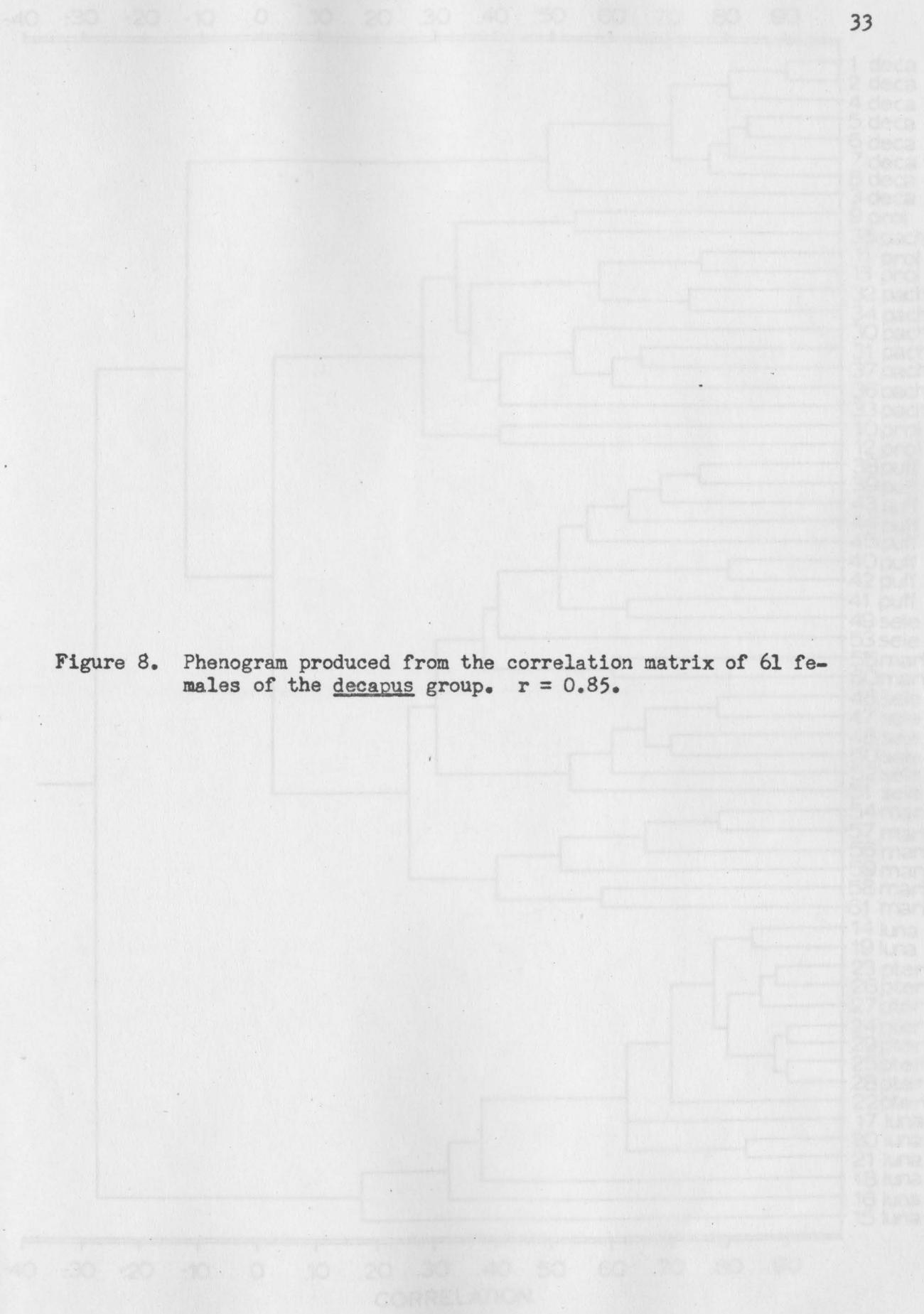
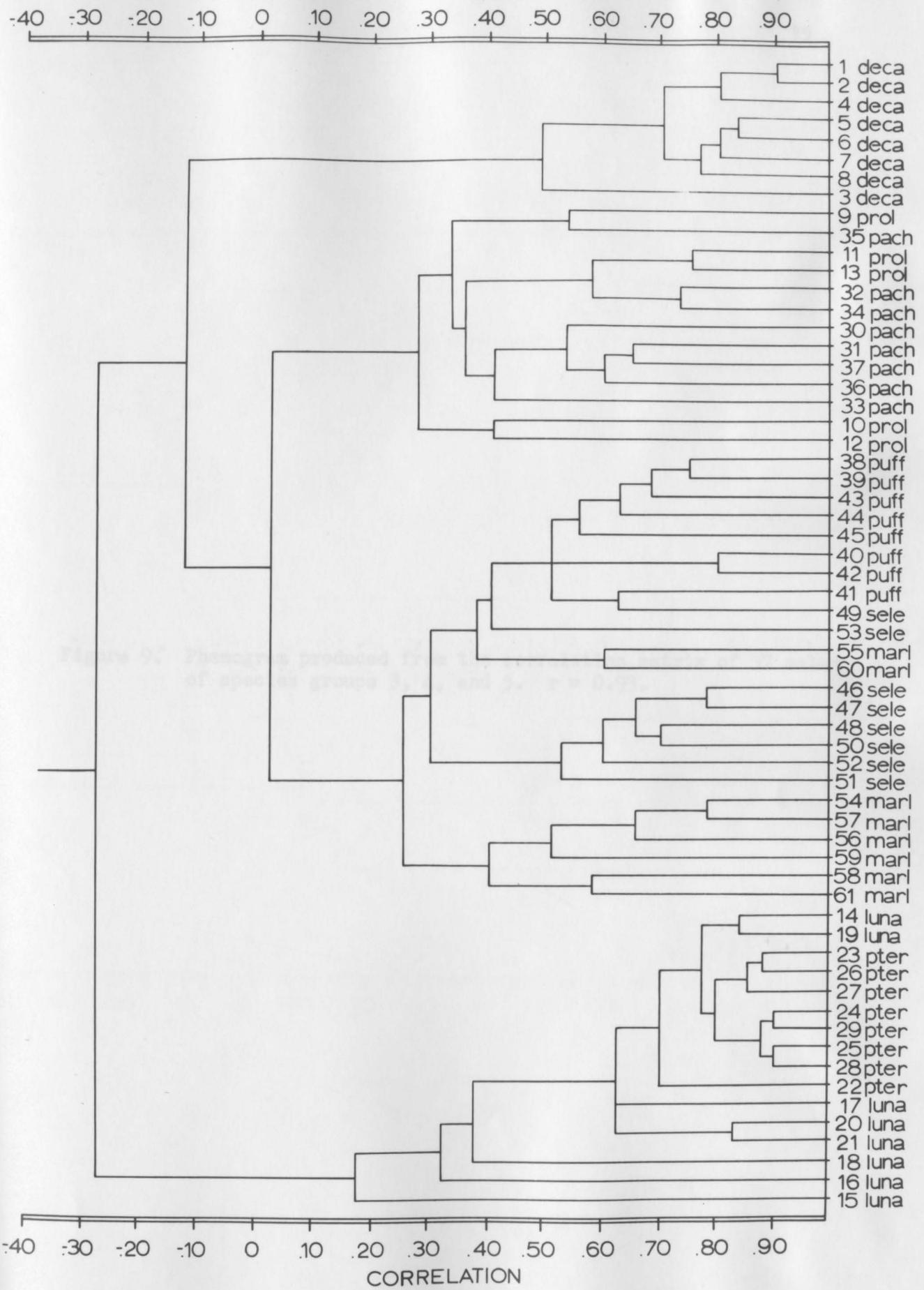
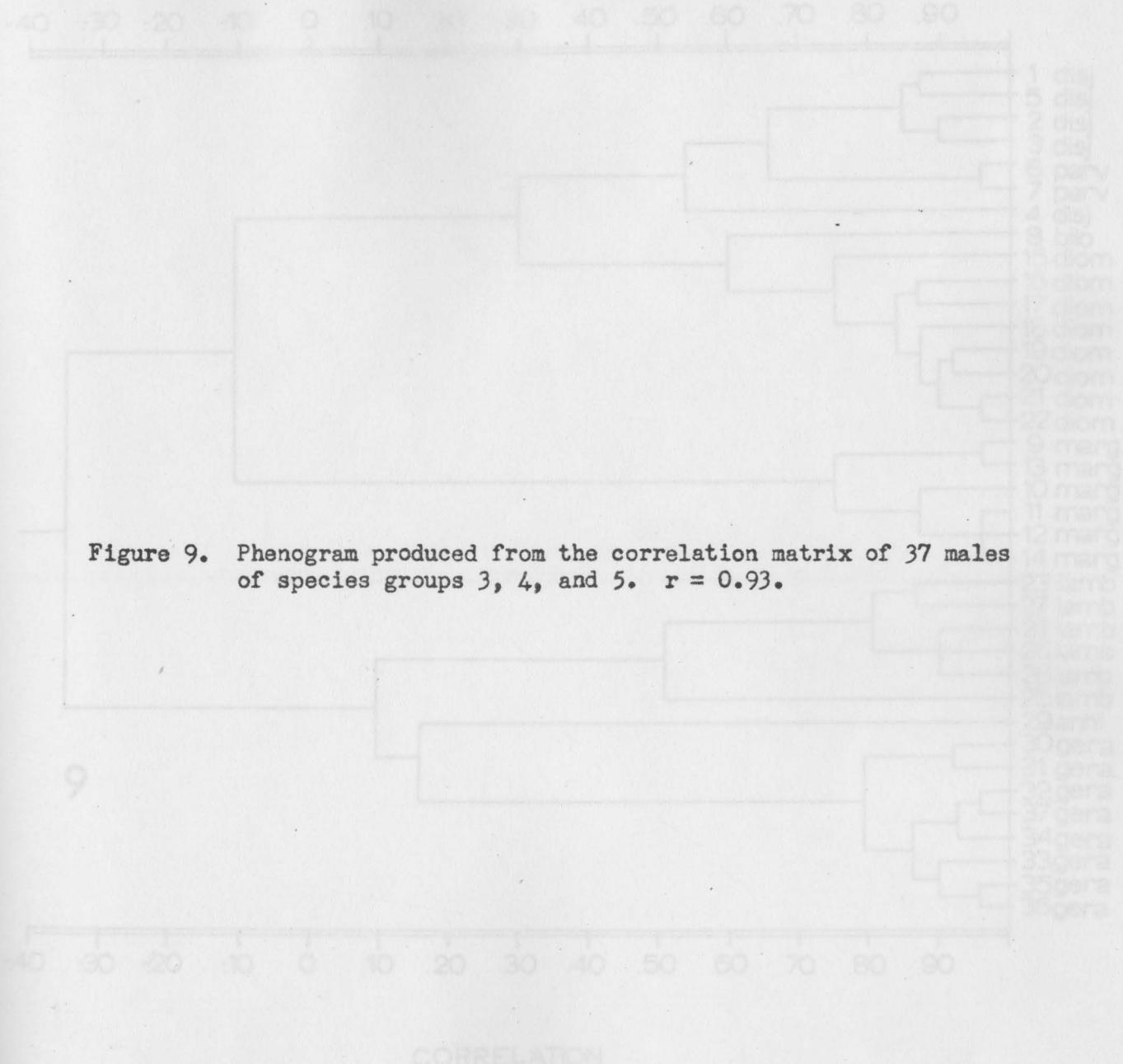
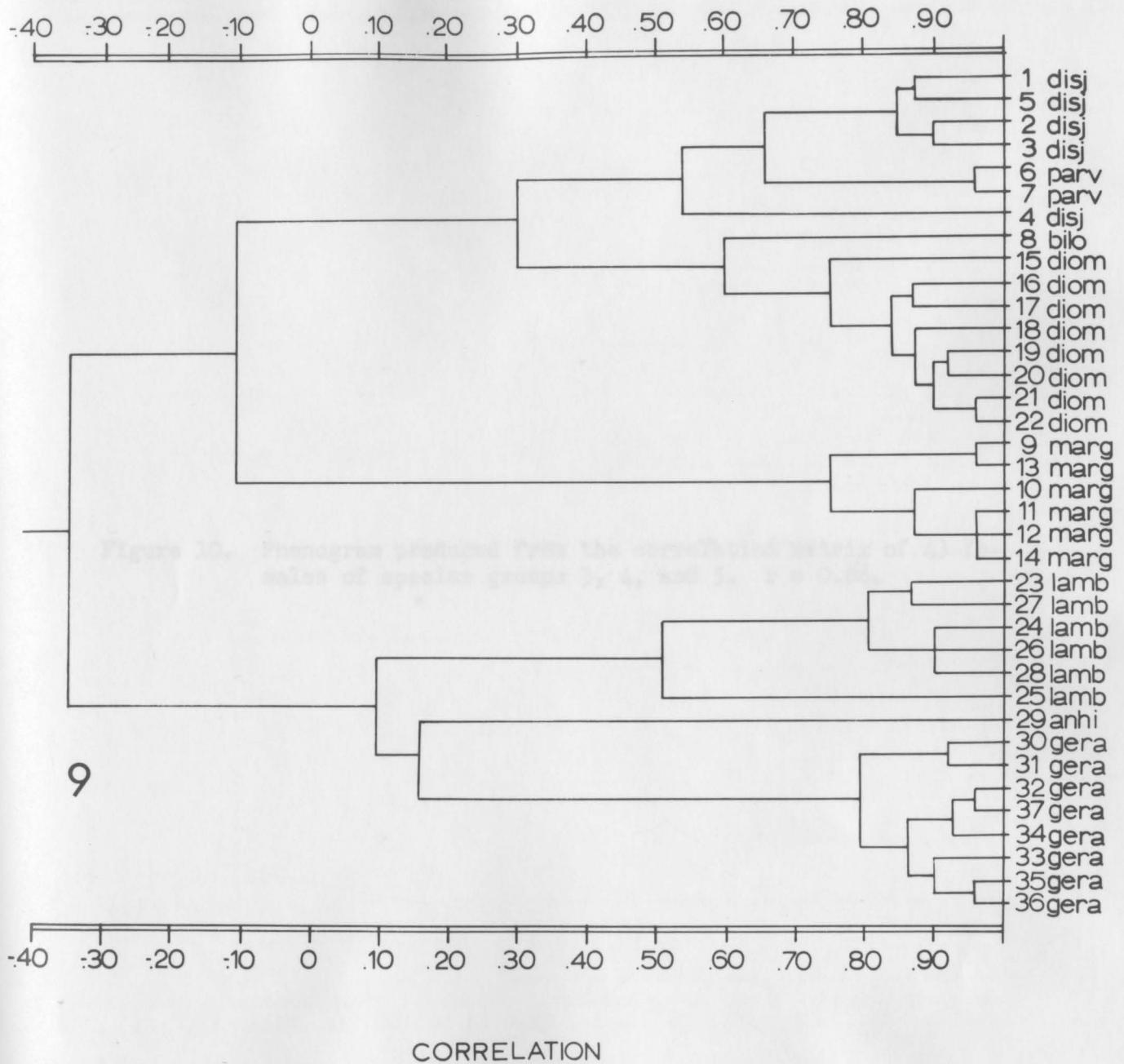


Figure 8. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 61 females of the decapus group. $r = 0.85$.



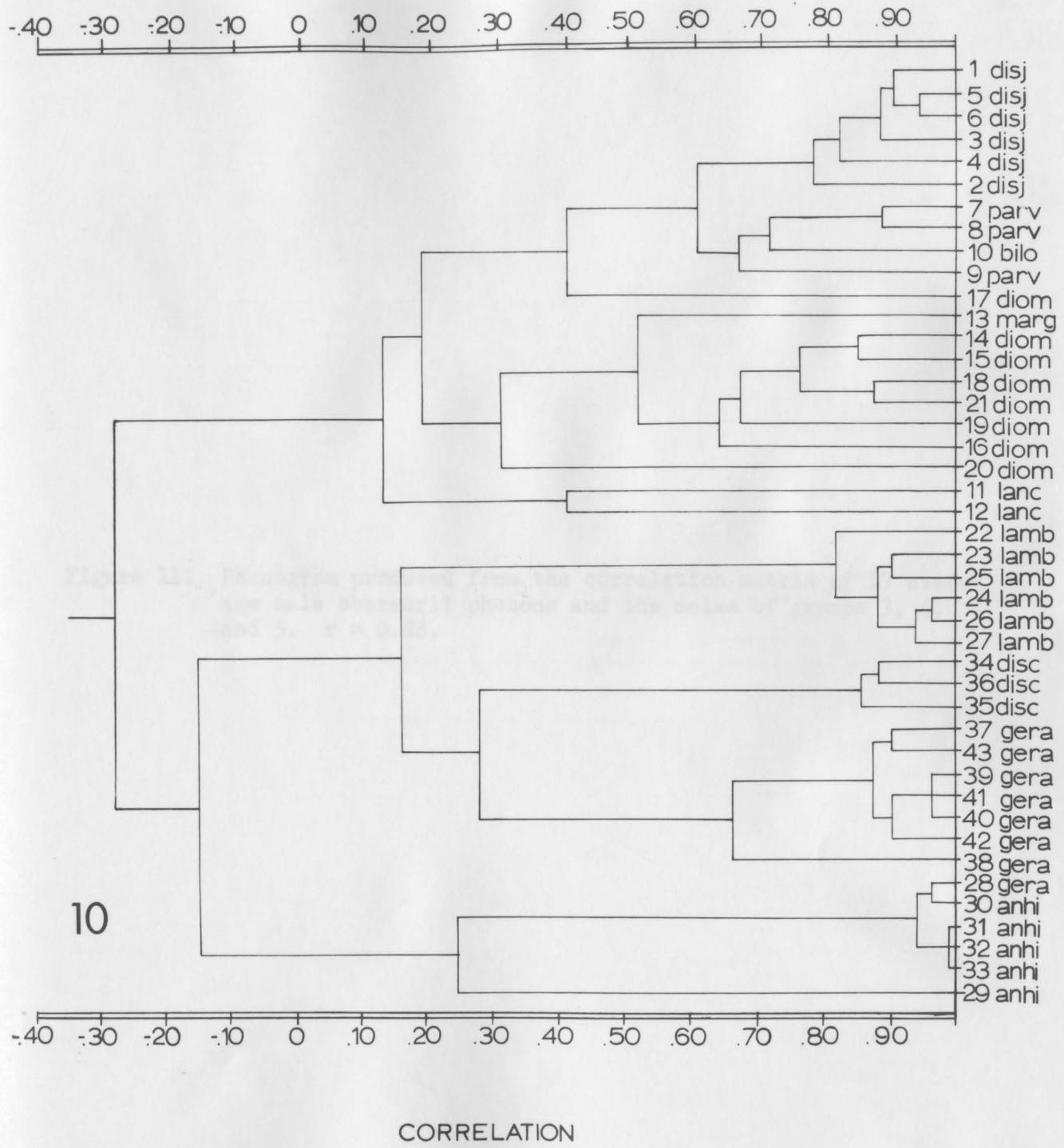








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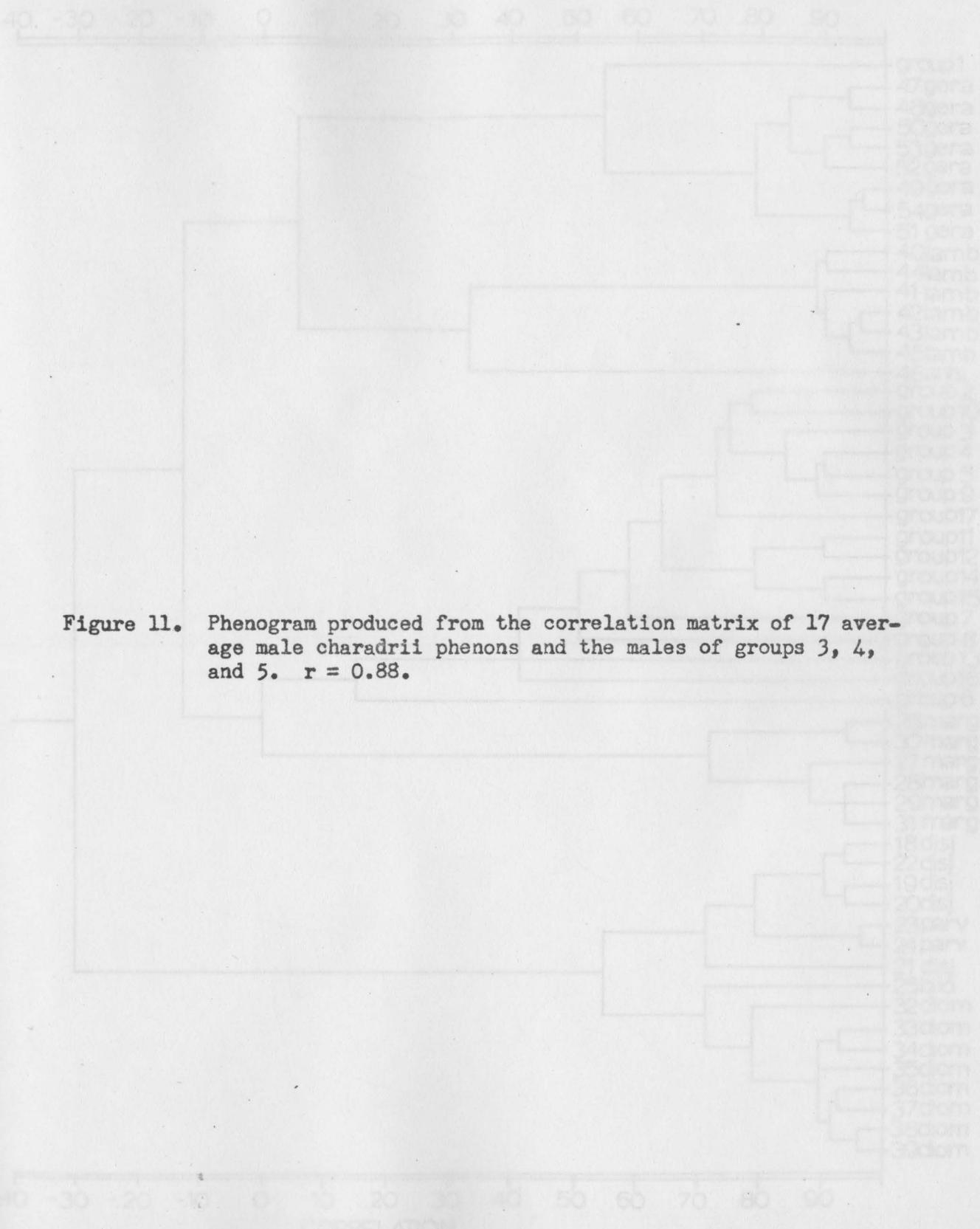
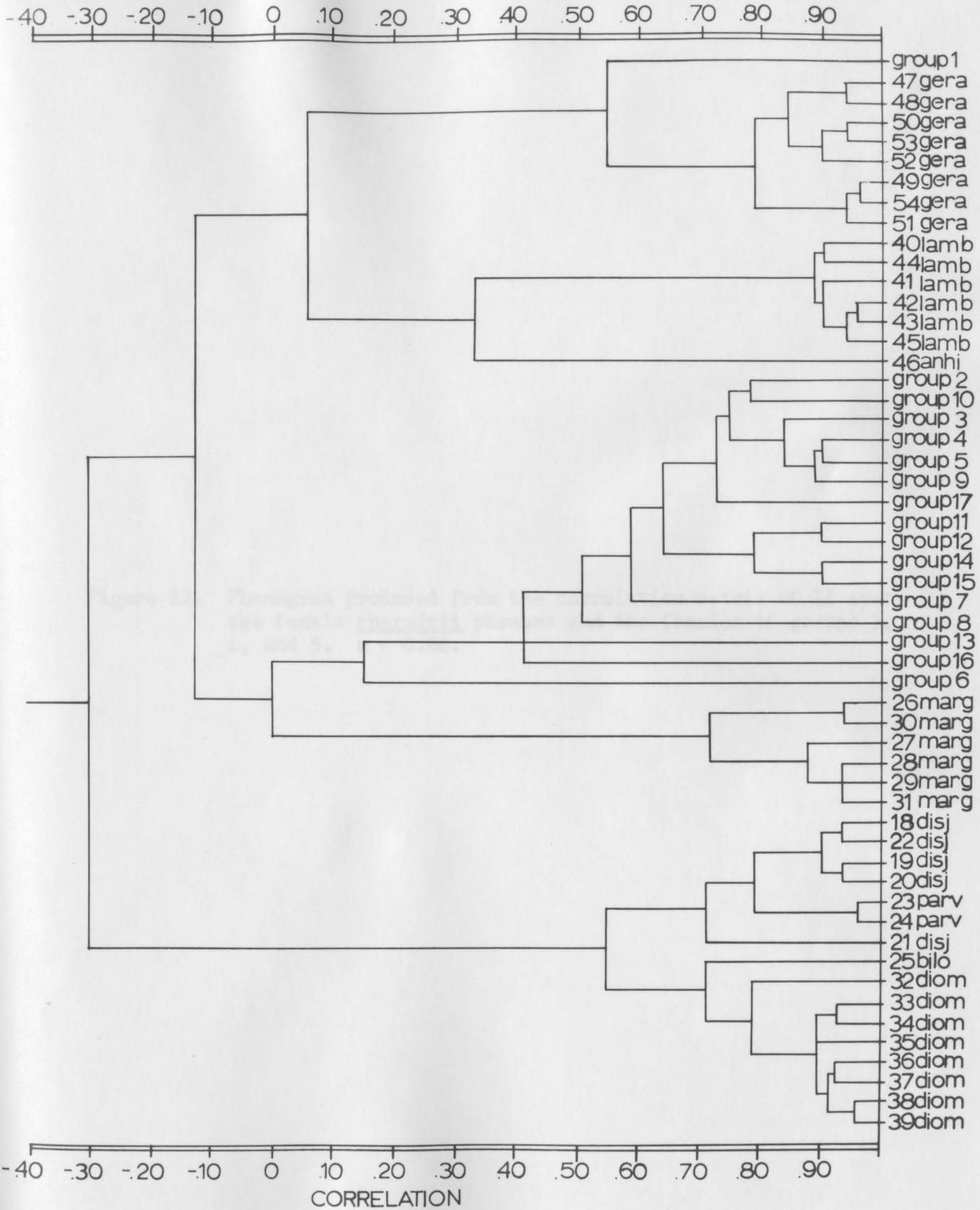


Figure 11. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 17 average male charadrii phenons and the males of groups 3, 4, and 5. $r = 0.88$.



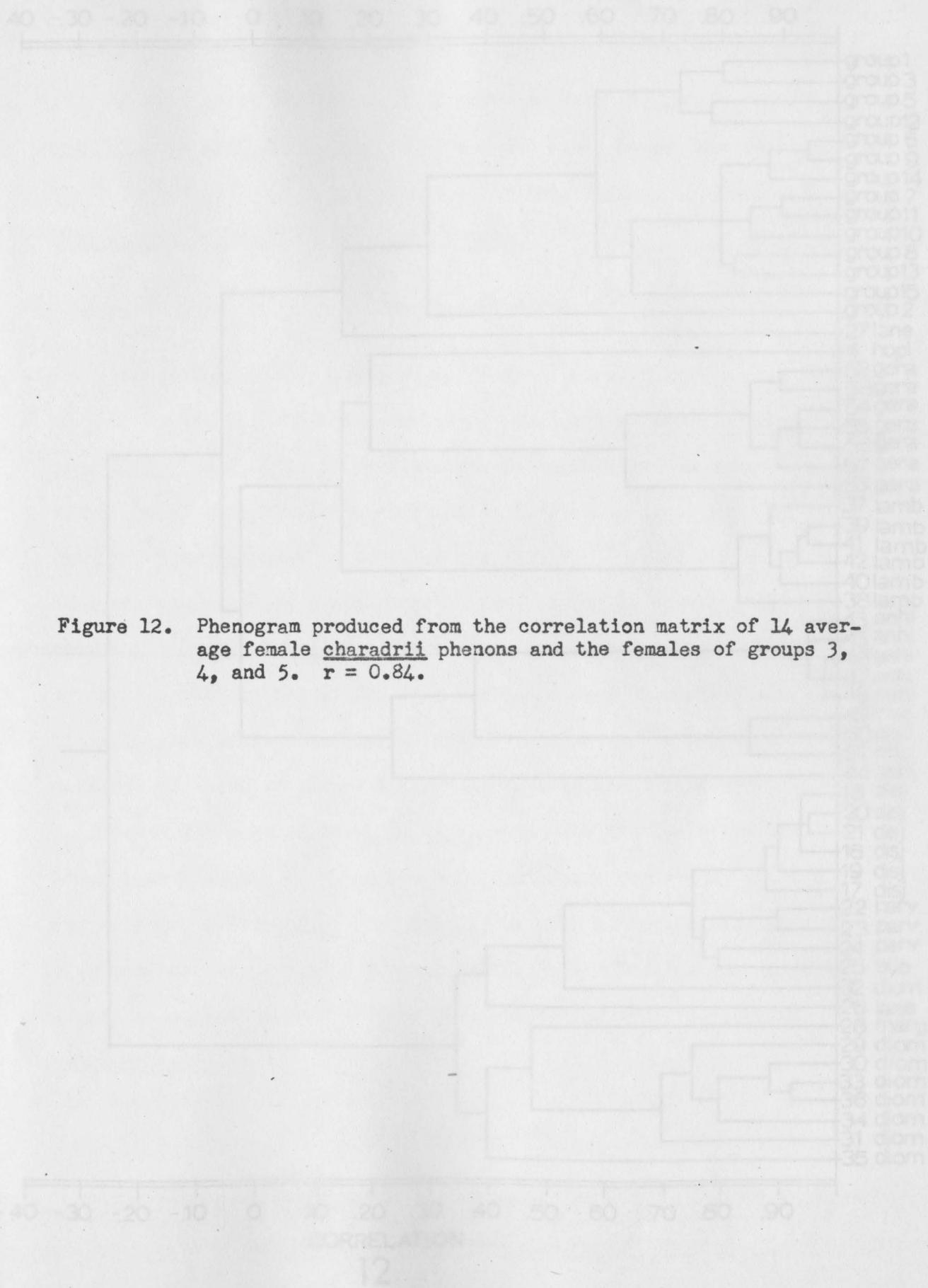
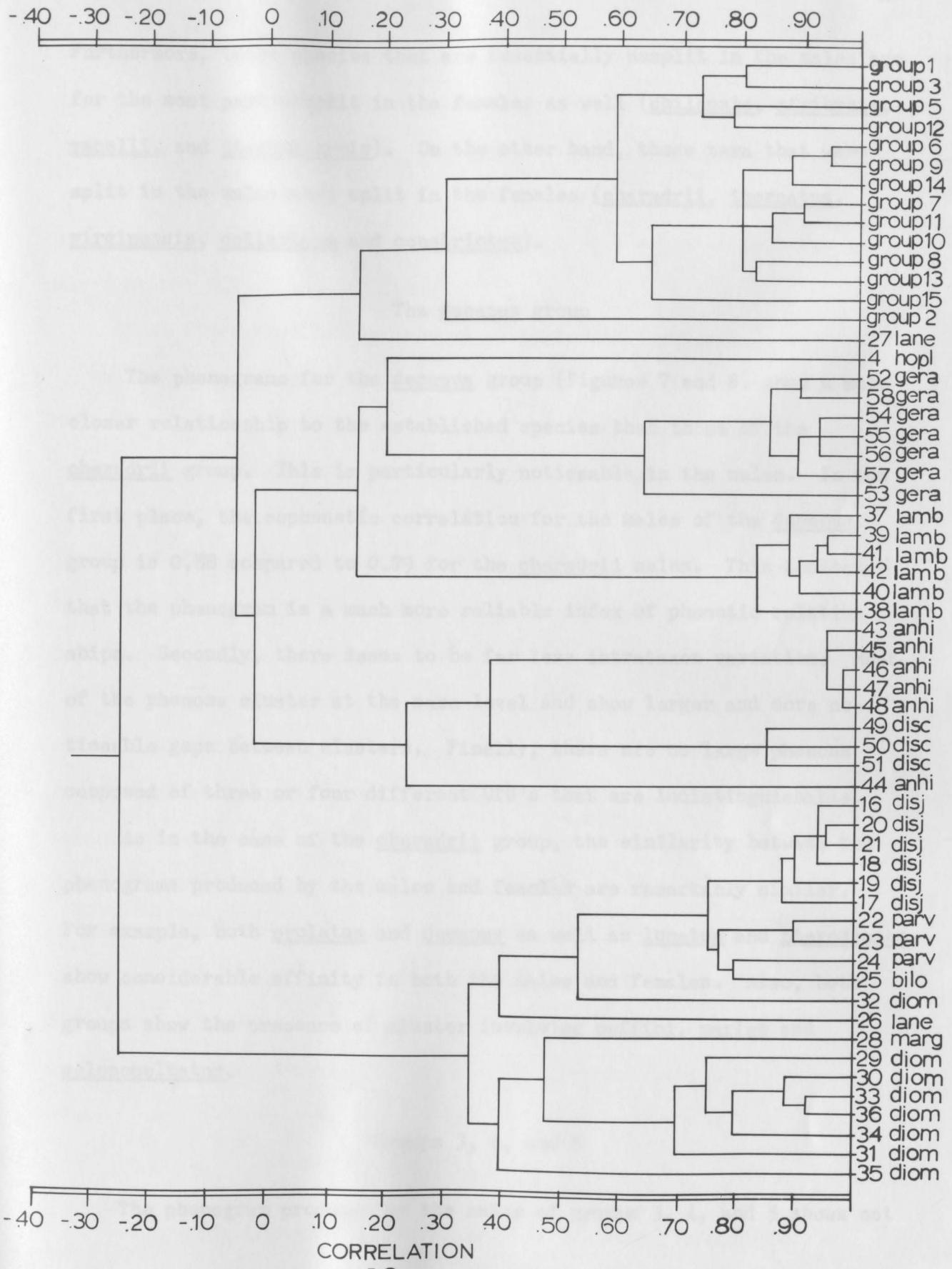


Figure 12. Phenogram produced from the correlation matrix of 14 average female charadrii phenons and the females of groups 3, 4, and 5. $r = 0.84$.



CORRELATION

Furthermore, those species that are essentially unsplit in the males are for the most part unsplit in the females as well (chilensis, afribycis, vanelli, and stephanibycis). On the other hand, those taxa that were split in the males were split in the females (charadrii, inornatus, virginensis, collaricus and constrictus).

The decapus group

The phenograms for the decapus group (figures 7 and 8) show a much closer relationship to the established species than those of the charadrii group. This is particularly noticeable in the males. In the first place, the cophenetic correlation for the males of the decapus group is 0.88 compared to 0.79 for the charadrii males. This indicates that the phenogram is a much more reliable index of phenetic relationships. Secondly, there seems to be far less intrataxon variation. Most of the phenons cluster at the same level and show larger and more noticeable gaps between clusters. Finally, there are no large phenons composed of three or four different OTU's that are indistinguishable.

As in the case of the charadrii group, the similarity between the phenograms produced by the males and females are remarkably similar. For example, both prolatus and decapus as well as lunatus and pterodromae show considerable affinity in both the males and females. Also, both groups show the presence of cluster involving puffini, mariae and selenopeltatus.

Groups 3, 4, and 5

The phenogram produced by the males of groups 3, 4, and 5 shows not

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only a high degree of affinity with existing taxa, but also gave the highest cophenetic correlation obtained during the entire study (0.93). Without exception, each phenon corresponds to an existing species. It can also be seen that not only are the gaps separating the taxa quite large, but the intrataxon variation is small with all phenons being related at the 0.75 level or higher.

Since there are OTU's present from three different species groups in the basic data matrix, it would be expected that three clusters would form at a level of correlation somewhat less than that usually associated with the species level (for this particular study the species level has not been found to be lower than 0.50). This is exactly the case. If one were to draw a line across figure 9 at the 0.30 level, exactly three phenons would be produced each one corresponding to a single species group.

While the females of groups 3, 4, and 5 (figure 10) show a high correlation with established taxa, there are some deviations. For example, species group 4 is split by the eight OTU's of groups 5. While this is more apparent in the females, it also shows up in the males as well. Figure 9 shows that anhimae of groups 4 clusters with geranoxenus of groups 5 before it does with lambda of group 4. In addition, some of the species of the group 3 females show signs of forming a rather heterogenous cluster in the middle of group 3. One wonders if this might not be more pronounced if more OTU's were included in the present study.

Averaged charadrii phenons as OTU's

The charadrii phenons from figures 5 and 6 were averaged and run

as individual OTU's with groups 3, 4, and 5. The resulting phenograms (figures 11 and 12) show that these OTU's form a well defined cluster with both males and females. These phenograms show a consistent association between the charadrii phenons and groups 4 and 5. In both cases, the charadrii phenons are more closely related to these two groups than they are to group 3.

Another interesting effect produced by the inclusion of the average charadrii phenons in this group is the reduction of group splitting. This is particularly noticeable in the females. It will be remembered that group 4 was split by group 5. When these OTU's were run with the averaged charadrii phenons, the split did not occur.

Another problem encountered during the interpretation of the numerical data concerns the use of different characters for the males and females of each species group. This practice made it necessary to calculate separate matrices of correlation for each group. In such cases, the phenogram that most closely conformed to existing groups was used. As it turned out, the phenogram that gave the best fit of established groups also had the highest cophenetic correlation. In the following discussion, a proposed classification based on numerical data will be presented and compared to that established by Peterson (1971).

The charadrii group

Since the males of the charadrii group are known to be morphologically indistinguishable and also produced a low cophenetic correlation (0.79), the females have been used exclusively for the classification of this group. A total of fifteen phenons were produced by draw-

ing a line at approximately the 0.50 level as discussed above. The following table is a comparison of the taxa which will now be referred to as species with those of Peterson (1971).

DISCUSSION

In this study, the recognition and definition of subgroups and taxospecies is based on the interpretation of phenograms. Since it was not possible to define taxa by simply drawing a phenon line at some level of similarity, a certain amount of subjectivity entered into the final selection of taxa. This problem has been encountered by other workers (Herrin, 1969 and Manischewitz, 1971) and clearly points out the inability of even the most sophisticated numerical methods to completely eliminate the subjectivity from the process of classification.

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Peterson, 1971

Species 2 - *Erythrocercus* The charadrii group
Peterson, 1971

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ing a line at approximately the 0.50 level as discussed above. The following table is a comparison of these taxa which will now be referred to as species with those of Peterson (1971).

Table 5. Comparison of proposed species of the charadrii group with those of Peterson (1971).

Proposed species	Established species Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 1 - Brephosceles chilensis</u> Dubinin, 1951 includes: <u>B. inornatus</u> , <u>B. collaricus</u> <u>B. virginensis</u>	<u>Brephosceles charadrii</u> Dubinin, 1951
<u>Species 2 - Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	<u>Brephosceles inornatus</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 3 - Brephosceles longistriatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles collaricus</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 4 - Brephosceles hoplopteri</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles virginensis</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 5 - Brephosceles haematopi</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles constrictus</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 6 - Brephosceles belonopteri</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles longistriatus</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 7 - Brephosceles stephanibycis</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles hoplopteri</u> Peterson, 1971
<u>Species 8 - Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	<u>Brephosceles haematopi</u> Peterson, 1971
	<u>Brephosceles belonopteri</u> Peterson, 1971
	<u>Brephosceles stephanibycis</u> Peterson, 1971

Table 5. continued.

Species 9 - <u>Brephosceles afribycis</u> Peterson, 1971 includes: <u>B. lobivanelli</u>	<u>Brephosceles afribycis</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 10 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	<u>Brephosceles lobivanelli</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 11 - <u>Brephosceles chilensis</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles chilensis</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 12 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	
Species 13 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	
Species 14 - <u>Brephosceles vanelli</u> Gaud, 1959	<u>Brephosceles vanelli</u> Gaud, 1959
Species 15 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	

The four species of phenon 1 (figure 6) of the females may represent a species complex and are not thought to be valid species. Species 3, 5, 6, and 11 represent valid species which have been described previously.

B. stephaniibycis, represented by species 7, 8, and 10 has been split into three species. OTU 63 and especially OTU 70 of this species show less affinity with the rest of the group than one would expect at the species level. With the exception of OTU 87 B. afribycis appears to form a very distinct cluster. OTU 87 has been assigned to species 9 but also may represent a separate species. The large split in B. hoplopteri in both the males and the females indicates two distinct species. OTU 75 (phenon 15) of B. vanelli may represent a new species or may represent a very aberrant form.

The decapus group

With the exception of two species (B. mariae and B. puffini) both phenograms of the decapus group (figures 7 and 8) indicate a close association between the clusters and the established species. The following table is a comparison of the proposed species of the decapus group with those of Peterson, 1971.

Table 6. Comparison of the proposed species of the decapus groups with those of Peterson, 1971.

Proposed species	Established species Peterson, 1971
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Species 1 - <u>Brephosceles decapus</u> Gaud, 1953	<u>Brephosceles decapus</u> Gaud, 1953
Species 2 - <u>Brephosceles prolatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles prolatus</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 3 - <u>Brephosceles lunatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles lunatus</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 4 - <u>Brephosceles pterodromae</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles pterodromae</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 5 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	
Species 6 - <u>Brephosceles pachyptilae</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles pachyptilae</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 7 - <u>Brephosceles puffini</u> Peterson, 1971 includes: <u>B. mariae</u>	<u>Brephosceles puffini</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 8 - <u>Brephosceles selenopeltatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles mariae</u> Peterson, 1971
	<u>Brephosceles selenopeltatus</u> Peterson, 1971

Valid species include B. decapus, B. prolatus, B. pterodromae, B. pa-chyptilae, and B. selenopeltatus. B. lunatus is split in both phenograms and may actually represent two separate species. Both B. mariae and B. puffini form a species complex which suggests that B. mariae may be assigned to synonymy.

Groups 3, 4 and 5

With the exception of the split in B. disjunctus, all of the species and species groups in this study appear to be in agreement with established groups. The following table compares proposed species and species groups with those of Peterson, 1971.

Table 7. Comparison of proposed species groups with those of Peterson, 1971.

Proposed species groups.	Established species Peterson, 1971
Species group 3	Species group 3
Species 1 - <u>Brephosceles disjunctus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles disjunctus</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 2 - <u>Brephosceles parvatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles parvatus</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 3 - <u>Brephosceles n. sp.</u>	
Species 4 - <u>Brephosceles bilobatus</u> Peterson, 1971	<u>Brephosceles bilobatus</u> Peterson, 1971
Species 5 - <u>Brephosceles diomedei</u> Atyeo and Peterson, 1970	<u>Brephosceles diomedei</u> Atyeo and Peterson, 1970
Species 6 - <u>Brephosceles marginiventris</u> Trouessart, 1899	<u>Brephosceles marginiventris</u> Trouessart, 1899

Table 5 continued.

Species group 4Species 7 - Brephosceles lambda
Trouessart, 1885Species 8 - Brephosceles anhimae
Peterson, 1971

Species group 5

Species 9 - Brephosceles geranoxenus
Peterson, 1968

Species group 4

Brephosceles lambda
Trouessart, 1885Brephosceles anhimae
Peterson, 1971

Species group 5

Brephosceles geranoxenus
Peterson, 1968

Phenogram 9 and table 7 shows that not only is there close agreement between the initial clusters and established species, but that there is also considerable resemblance between the larger clusters and the species groups. A line drawn at the 0.40 level in figure 9 would result in the production of phenons almost identical with established species groups.

Averaged charadrii phenons as OTU'S

The averaged charadrii phenons and the OTU's of groups 3, 4 and 5 (figures 11 and 12) show very clearly the higher taxonomic relationships of these groups. It is apparent that the species groups erected by Peterson, 1971 correspond very closely to those of the phenograms. When a line is drawn at the 0.30 level of figure 11, the average charadrii phenons with the exception of group 1 (B. haematopii) all cluster together to form a distinct group. Group 1 is clearly associated with

B. geranoxenus of species groups 5. This could mean that it belongs to this group or possibly that it should be assigned to a new species group.

APPENDIX I

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 92 MALES (CHARADRII GROUP)

APPENDIX I - CONTINUED

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APPENDIX II

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 94 FEMALES (CHARADRII GROUP)

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CHARACTER OTU

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	APPENDIX III				
1	99.	99.	92.	95.	47 MALES (DECAPUS GROUP)
2	112.	108.	108.	106.	
3	79.	81.	77.	77.	
4	70.	73.	68.	68.	
5	90.	90.	86.	86.	
6	117.	116.	112.	112.	
7	14.	13.	13.	14.	
8	270.	274.	259.	264.	
9	84.	81.	77.	81.	
10	33.	30.	31.	33.	
11	84.	81.	77.	81.	
12	48.	46.	41.	51.	
13	70.	70.	70.	73.	
14	40.	39.	40.	42.	
15	33.	33.	33.	33.	
16	79.	84.	79.	79.	
17	22.	18.	20.	20.	
18	60.	60.	42.	59.	
19	123.	121.	115.	119.	
20	70.	68.	66.	66.	
21	22.	29.	26.	24.	
22	145.	150.	141.	143.	
23	31.	33.	33.	33.	
24	40.	40.	35.	42.	
25	48.	51.	48.	48.	
26	70.	73.	70.	70.	
27	20.	20.	20.	19.	
28	110.	116.	115.	125.	
29	15.	14.	14.	13.	
30	40.	40.	37.	42.	
31	51.	52.	48.	51.	
32	55.	60.	57.	59.	
33	270.	274.	259.	277.	
34	387.	396.	382.	390.	
35	165.	176.	176.	176.	
36	88.	92.	85.	90.	
37	322.	333.	336.	326.	
38	234.	224.	216.	222.	
39	2.	2.	2.	2.	
40	1.	1.	1.	1.	
41	1.	1.	1.	1.	
42	2.	2.	2.	2.	
43	2.	2.	2.	2.	
44	103.	96.	98.	100.	
45	34.	31.	42.	40.	
46	108.	75.	175.	151.	
47	12.	12.	12.	12.	
48	2.	2.	2.	2.	
49	1.	1.	1.	1.	

APPENDIX III

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 47 MALES (DECAPUS GROUP)

APPENDIX III - CONTINUED

CHARACTER OTU

	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
2	58.	58.	60.	58.	55.	53.	56.	53.	58.	60.
3	120.	127.	120.	120.	120.	110.	113.	132.	118.	122.
4	127.	130.	118.	127.	122.	120.	122.	139.	122.	130.
5	94.	98.	102.	94.	98.	92.	93.	95.	98.	94.
6	70.	72.	65.	67.	67.	67.	62.	74.	65.	65.
7	2.	2.	2.	2.	1.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
8	20.	17.	17.	20.	22.	22.	19.	20.	26.	24.
9	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.
10	132.	132.	122.	125.	127.	134.	144.	139.	149.	142.
11	8.	8.	8.	8.	8.	8.	8.	9.	8.	8.
12	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
13	170.	190.	180.	192.	175.	187.	182.	192.	202.	202.
14	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
15	67.	62.	60.	58.	62.	55.	62.	60.	72.	67.
16	89.	86.	84.	84.	84.	86.	94.	86.	96.	94.
17	38.	38.	38.	36.	43.	38.	46.	36.	41.	46.
18	156.	156.	144.	144.	154.	158.	156.	163.	168.	163.
19	139.	120.	149.	144.	142.	132.	125.	139.	137.	139.
20	62.	56.	60.	60.	53.	58.	55.	58.	44.	43.
21	74.	70.	77.	70.	67.	70.	67.	70.	89.	91.
22	29.	24.	29.	29.	29.	20.	22.	24.	38.	34.
23	62.	67.	58.	55.	62.	65.	55.	65.	60.	58.
24	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
25	120.	110.	118.	106.	103.	110.	103.	118.	118.	123.
26	292.	298.	288.	283.	293.	288.	283.	307.	307.	302.
27	254.	254.	250.	245.	259.	245.	245.	254.	245.	259.
28	216.	216.	211.	203.	216.	206.	202.	216.	216.	211.
29	105.	108.	98.	101.	100.	103.	113.	106.	122.	113.
30	288.	288.	283.	283.	288.	278.	275.	288.	293.	293.
31	274.	267.	289.	280.	288.	270.	243.	272.	240.	260.
32	55.	55.	50.	53.	53.	60.	55.	60.	62.	60.
33	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
34	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	1.	1.
35	122.	120.	120.	137.	120.	132.	113.	122.	134.	130.
36	38.	38.	38.	55.	36.	48.	38.	38.	50.	46.
37	113.	113.	110.	115.	115.	108.	108.	120.	127.	125.
38	21.	21.	21.	22.	22.	21.	21.	54.	17.	17.
39	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	5.	2.	2.
40	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	4.	1.	1.

APPENDIX III - CONTINUED

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CHARACTER OTU

	41	42	43	44	45	46	47
1	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
2	50.	55.	53.	50.	50.	48.	53.
3	103.	108.	108.	98.	103.	98.	110.
4	101.	110.	108.	98.	103.	101.	108.
5	102.	98.	100.	100.	100.	97.	102.
6	53.	41.	55.	50.	53.	53.	58.
7	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
8	22.	10.	22.	19.	22.	22.	5.
9	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.
10	106.	113.	110.	103.	108.	101.	110.
11	5.	5.	5.	5.	8.	8.	8.
12	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
13	158.	158.	180.	150.	170.	168.	175.
14	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
15	48.	48.	41.	34.	50.	48.	43.
16	72.	67.	70.	62.	72.	70.	72.
17	27.	29.	30.	29.	31.	26.	31.
18	122.	130.	136.	125.	132.	120.	135.
19	127.	134.	117.	115.	122.	130.	134.
20	34.	38.	50.	48.	38.	43.	38.
21	50.	53.	62.	62.	55.	65.	55.
22	29.	31.	17.	20.	34.	26.	31.
23	48.	50.	55.	53.	43.	46.	48.
24	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
25	70.	77.	89.	91.	74.	89.	77.
26	249.	250.	264.	245.	254.	245.	245.
27	213.	220.	209.	201.	216.	206.	221.
28	187.	194.	180.	170.	184.	180.	190.
29	84.	89.	89.	89.	89.	86.	94.
30	249.	254.	250.	235.	245.	238.	259.
31	296.	291.	280.	264.	275.	277.	276.
32	50.	48.	72.	43.	48.	46.	55.
33	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
34	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
35	98.	103.	137.	96.	113.	110.	114.
36	34.	41.	67.	34.	48.	42.	43.
37	113.	98.	100.	96.	108.	101.	96.
38	21.	21.	16.	17.	14.	14.	17.
39	1.	1.	2.	2.	1.	1.	1.
40	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.

APPENDIX IV

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 61 FEMALES (DECAPUS GROUP)

APPENDIX IV - CONTINUED

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CHARACTER OTU

61

1	108.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	112.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
3	60.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
4	60.	16.	36.	36.	36.	36.	36.	36.	36.	56.
5	60.	62.	78.	50.	82.	72.	72.	72.	72.	101.
6	71.	72.	68.	68.	61.	51.	51.	51.	51.	101.
7	4.	114.	113.	113.	113.	134.	145.	119.	100.	
8	314.	46.	46.	46.	46.	36.	28.	36.	66.	
9	98.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	
10	37.	12.	13.	40.	8.	10.	9.	12.	29.	
11	70.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	
12	43.	84.	85.	85.	82.	72.	59.	65.	142.	
13	79.	6.	8.	7.	7.	5.	5.	8.	8.	
14	44.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	
15	20.	113.	108.	107.	99.	97.	74.	56.	201.	
16	73.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	
17	37.	21.	24.	24.	23.	19.	17.	22.	23.	
18	44.	45.	45.	46.	42.	34.	36.	34.	34.	
19	108.	22.	22.	21.	21.	23.	24.	21.	21.	
20	86.	90.	90.	91.	97.	104.	95.	95.	95.	
21	59.	81.	86.	82.	82.	85.	85.	101.	101.	
22	167.	38.	34.	46.	40.	38.	22.	31.	31.	
23	24.	39.	36.	46.	40.	29.	22.	31.	31.	
24	64.	10.	14.	12.	11.	11.	16.	17.	17.	
25	46.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	
26	68.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	
27	44.	55.	51.	67.	59.	55.	34.	48.	48.	
28	119.	182.	181.	178.	181.	195.	176.	173.	277.	288.
29	46.	152.	148.	146.	152.	137.	125.	163.	235.	226.
30	23.	129.	129.	124.	130.	112.	99.	144.	180.	180.
31	57.	59.	57.	59.	59.	51.	43.	60.	108.	103.
32	57.	178.	178.	172.	179.	165.	148.	192.	264.	259.
33	324.	302.	312.	292.	307.	324.	341.	320.	244.	251.
34	450.	31.	34.	30.	30.	23.	21.	26.	48.	53.
35	166.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
36	96.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	3.	3.
37	320.	81.	79.	67.	67.	53.	38.	52.	156.	110.
38	271.	40.	29.	29.	24.	21.	15.	26.	79.	36.
39	2.	7.	8.	10.	6.	8.	7.	1.	16.	10.

APPENDIX V

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 37 MALES (GROUPS 3, 4, AND 5)

CHARACTER	OTU	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
2		36.	34.	34.	36.	36.	36.	25.	36.	55.	60.
3		82.	82.	80.	78.	80.	82.	74.	74.	101.	108.
4		72.	72.	68.	68.	68.	61.	51.	62.	101.	98.
5		114.	114.	118.	115.	118.	134.	145.	119.	100.	110.
6		48.	46.	46.	46.	44.	36.	28.	36.	65.	60.
7		1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
8		12.	12.	13.	40.	8.	10.	9.	12.	29.	29.
9		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
10		89.	84.	86.	86.	82.	72.	59.	65.	142.	140.
11		6.	6.	8.	7.	7.	5.	5.	8.	8.	8.
12		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
13		119.	113.	108.	104.	99.	97.	74.	98.	201.	199.
14		1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
15		24.	24.	24.	24.	23.	19.	17.	22.	43.	35.
16		48.	45.	45.	46.	42.	44.	36.	48.	91.	91.
17		23.	22.	20.	21.	21.	23.	24.	27.	50.	46.
18		103.	90.	90.	91.	97.	104.	95.	91.	154.	151.
19		86.	84.	86.	82.	84.	65.	55.	101.	117.	115.
20		48.	38.	34.	46.	40.	28.	22.	31.	53.	46.
21		47.	39.	36.	46.	40.	29.	22.	31.	72.	77.
22		17.	10.	14.	12.	11.	11.	16.	17.	50.	50.
23		1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
24		1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
25		67.	55.	51.	67.	59.	45.	34.	48.	94.	101.
26		192.	182.	181.	178.	181.	195.	176.	173.	273.	288.
27		153.	152.	148.	146.	152.	137.	125.	163.	235.	226.
28		130.	129.	129.	124.	130.	112.	99.	144.	180.	180.
29		65.	59.	57.	59.	59.	51.	43.	60.	108.	103.
30		182.	178.	178.	172.	179.	165.	148.	192.	264.	259.
31		280.	302.	312.	292.	303.	324.	344.	320.	244.	251.
32		33.	31.	34.	30.	30.	23.	21.	26.	48.	53.
33		1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
34		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	3.	3.
35		68.	81.	70.	67.	67.	53.	38.	58.	156.	110.
36		26.	40.	29.	25.	24.	21.	15.	26.	79.	36.
37		70.	74.	70.	68.	67.	78.	65.	67.	93.	108.
38		8.	8.	10.	8.	6.	8.	7.	1.	16.	10.
39		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	1.	2.	2.
40		2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	1.	1.	2.	2.	2.

APPENDIX V - CONTINUED

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CHARACTER OTU

	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
1	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
2	53.	55.	58.	55.	55.	55.	53.
3	101.	101.	96.	96.	96.	101.	98.
4	101.	102.	100.	101.	101.	106.	103.
5	100.	99.	96.	95.	95.	95.	95.
6	72.	74.	77.	74.	74.	77.	74.
7	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
8	7.	26.	19.	31.	31.	26.	29.
9	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
10	127.	125.	132.	129.	129.	127.	130.
11	14.	16.	17.	17.	17.	15.	19.
12	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
13	161.	180.	163.	166.	166.	163.	173.
14	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
15	41.	43.	43.	41.	41.	41.	38.
16	65.	72.	74.	70.	70.	72.	70.
17	62.	62.	60.	62.	62.	60.	60.
18	216.	213.	199.	208.	208.	211.	200.
19	122.	130.	127.	130.	130.	134.	132.
20	18.	17.	19.	17.	17.	18.	15.
21	41.	40.	41.	36.	36.	34.	38.
22	94.	105.	98.	100.	100.	106.	106.
23	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
24	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
25	67.	55.	67.	58.	60.	58.	62.
26	317.	331.	307.	326.	312.	326.	317.
27	278.	288.	264.	283.	245.	278.	273.
28	211.	225.	206.	221.	190.	220.	211.
29	96.	91.	98.	91.	96.	98.	91.
30	331.	336.	321.	336.	307.	336.	326.
31	345.	370.	326.	370.	320.	343.	358.
32	38.	38.	38.	36.	41.	38.	38.
33	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
34	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.
35	76.	110.	79.	91.	79.	79.	122.
36	43.	77.	48.	62.	48.	46.	74.
37	122.	130.	120.	137.	134.	125.	120.
38	22.	17.	18.	17.	15.	15.	14.
39	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
40	4.	4.	4.	4.	4.	4.	4.

APPENDIX VI

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 43 FEMALES (GROUPS 3, 4, AND 5)

APPENDIX VI - CONTINUED

CHARACTER OTU

	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	95.	79.	97.	81.	84.	84.	70.	85.	81.	86.
2	79.	72.	95.	77.	75.	66.	68.	70.	68.	73.
3	59.	52.	64.	59.	55.	52.	53.	51.	53.	53.
4	55.	48.	59.	57.	53.	50.	51.	48.	51.	51.
5	53.	48.	62.	53.	51.	46.	46.	54.	47.	48.
6	70.	62.	81.	66.	63.	59.	58.	61.	58.	61.
7	7.	7.	11.	7.	7.	6.	4.	6.	5.	6.
8	176.	157.	265.	230.	225.	220.	215.	211.	206.	225.
9	60.	59.	97.	81.	79.	79.	73.	77.	80.	77.
10	24.	21.	40.	28.	26.	24.	25.	26.	24.	54.
11	37.	37.	77.	64.	57.	57.	57.	58.	62.	59.
12	40.	35.	55.	55.	51.	53.	51.	44.	48.	40.
13	33.	31.	75.	68.	64.	66.	57.	62.	62.	64.
14	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
15	9.	9.	22.	29.	24.	26.	22.	20.	20.	24.
16	33.	31.	75.	55.	62.	55.	48.	60.	55.	51.
17	20.	21.	31.	24.	24.	29.	28.	24.	33.	29.
18	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
19	86.	81.	131.	112.	101.	106.	103.	103.	102.	117.
20	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
21	9.	13.	20.	18.	18.	20.	15.	20.	15.	20.
22	95.	94.	151.	130.	119.	126.	118.	123.	117.	137.
23	9.	9.	15.	15.	13.	13.	13.	13.	15.	15.
24	40.	33.	51.	48.	51.	50.	51.	51.	51.	55.
25	18.	15.	22.	26.	23.	22.	23.	24.	23.	26.
26	24.	23.	55.	46.	46.	44.	40.	44.	42.	44.
27	9.	9.	22.	15.	13.	13.	13.	13.	13.	13.
28	79.	81.	125.	90.	88.	84.	84.	84.	86.	92.
29	4.	2.	2.	1.	2.	2.	1.	2.	2.	2.
30	24.	20.	29.	33.	26.	24.	23.	23.	22.	22.
31	28.	26.	42.	30.	31.	30.	29.	30.	26.	29.
32	48.	35.	50.	55.	46.	46.	44.	44.	44.	46.
33	176.	157.	265.	221.	223.	216.	208.	211.	199.	218.
34	294.	240.	382.	314.	323.	314.	304.	304.	294.	323.
35	125.	157.	166.	127.	132.	120.	100.	118.	112.	122.
36	120.	110.	102.	105.	112.	127.	403.	121.	119.	119.
37	296.	266.	273.	284.	285.	278.	295.	274.	258.	292.
38	568.	153.	230.	247.	245.	262.	304.	258.	263.	265.
39	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	2.	1.	1.	1.	1.

APPENDIX VI - CONTINUED

CHARACTER OTU

	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1	86.	88.	86.	88.	88.	88.	88.	88.	81.	86.
2	70.	88.	92.	88.	92.	88.	92.	79.	77.	75.
3	51.	59.	64.	62.	64.	62.	66.	51.	50.	50.
4	50.	57.	59.	59.	62.	59.	64.	46.	44.	46.
5	47.	62.	65.	62.	64.	62.	64.	40.	42.	40.
6	58.	79.	81.	79.	81.	79.	81.	66.	66.	68.
7	5.	8.	8.	8.	7.	8.	8.	13.	12.	14.
8	210.	294.	304.	294.	304.	300.	304.	249.	235.	250.
9	75.	84.	92.	92.	90.	92.	92.	79.	73.	75.
10	24.	36.	37.	35.	35.	37.	36.	33.	31.	33.
11	58.	66.	73.	70.	68.	68.	73.	62.	62.	48.
12	48.	51.	53.	51.	55.	55.	56.	46.	59.	51.
13	60.	79.	87.	80.	84.	74.	85.	62.	59.	60.
14	0.	46.	51.	42.	46.	44.	51.	37.	35.	35.
15	22.	16.	31.	20.	23.	20.	15.	46.	40.	44.
16	53.	68.	68.	75.	70.	73.	73.	57.	53.	52.
17	26.	33.	32.	33.	29.	33.	35.	48.	42.	46.
18	0.	40.	35.	37.	34.	42.	44.	48.	62.	70.
19	101.	110.	106.	106.	106.	106.	112.	68.	55.	66.
20	0.	80.	81.	80.	81.	75.	79.	46.	35.	42.
21	20.	48.	55.	51.	53.	51.	52.	59.	110.	55.
22	121.	158.	161.	157.	159.	157.	164.	127.	15.	121.
23	12.	20.	22.	22.	22.	22.	22.	22.	24.	20.
24	50.	57.	57.	57.	57.	57.	55.	22.	22.	22.
25	22.	30.	35.	37.	37.	35.	35.	33.	44.	29.
26	42.	57.	64.	64.	64.	64.	64.	51.	24.	48.
27	11.	29.	33.	35.	33.	33.	32.	26.	86.	28.
28	88.	97.	103.	101.	99.	99.	102.	88.	26.	88.
29	2.	29.	29.	33.	33.	31.	33.	35.	15.	35.
30	22.	29.	31.	29.	31.	29.	29.	21.	20.	20.
31	31.	33.	35.	33.	34.	34.	35.	22.	40.	22.
32	42.	51.	53.	53.	55.	55.	55.	46.	238.	44.
33	208.	294.	304.	294.	304.	300.	304.	252.	333.	256.
34	304.	401.	415.	402.	421.	412.	412.	362.	103.	353.
35	118.	140.	157.	147.	150.	150.	150.	120.	105.	118.
36	123.	100.	93.	100.	96.	100.	96.	122.	322.	115.
37	280.	350.	330.	320.	338.	326.	330.	316.	294.	323.
38	258.	286.	264.	273.	281.	275.	275.	200.	2.	295.
39	1.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	0.	2.	

APPENDIX VI - CONTINUED

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CHARACTER OTU

	41	42	43	AVERAGE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
1	99.	95.	101.			
2	97.	99.	99.			
3	68.	66.	66.			
4	64.	62.	64.			
5	75.	75.	77.			
6	95.	93.	95.			
7	10.	9.	9.			
8	300.	284.	300.			
9	99.	101.	97.			
10	42.	40.	44.			
11	81.	81.	79.			
12	62.	64.	62.			
13	88.	86.	81.			
14	53.	55.	52.			
15	33.	29.	26.			
16	81.	84.	77.			
17	39.	35.	42.			
18	75.	68.	79.			
19	121.	110.	121.			
20	70.	66.	70.			
21	44.	42.	42.			
22	165.	152.	163.			
23	26.	26.	24.			
24	35.	36.	33.			
25	44.	48.	44.			
26	72.	75.	70.			
27	22.	22.	22.			
28	112.	108.	101.			
29	26.	24.	22.			
30	37.	38.	33.			
31	35.	31.	33.			
32	55.	59.	55.			
33	304.	284.	304.			
34	412.	411.	421.			
35	150.	157.	137.			
36	102.	96.	102.			
37	303.	281.	309.			
38	281.	262.	307.			
39	2.	2.	2.			

APPENDIX VII

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 17 AVERAGE MALE CHARADRII PHENONS

CHARACTER OTU

APPENDIX VII - CONTINUED

CHARACTER OTU

	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.	2.
2	60.	59.	62.	51.	52.	60.	79.
3	100.	96.	100.	83.	86.	91.	86.
4	126.	117.	122.	103.	106.	106.	108.
5	79.	82.	82.	80.	81.	86.	80.
6	103.	97.	103.	84.	88.	91.	87.
7	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
8	36.	37.	12.	26.	26.	24.	34.
9	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	3.	1.
10	147.	137.	136.	116.	129.	125.	125.
11	14.	10.	14.	10.	11.	40.	10.
12	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
13	197.	185.	168.	156.	168.	156.	156.
14	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
15	39.	39.	43.	35.	38.	35.	31.
16	81.	79.	79.	65.	74.	70.	70.
17	50.	47.	53.	36.	40.	43.	38.
18	185.	184.	197.	150.	159.	163.	156.
19	96.	88.	106.	86.	74.	82.	84.
20	41.	47.	39.	34.	27.	26.	34.
21	84.	75.	2.	51.	54.	48.	53.
22	61.	38.	48.	50.	44.	67.	53.
23	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
24	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
25	108.	102.	84.	75.	77.	91.	77.
26	328.	310.	297.	255.	266.	274.	267.
27	243.	225.	240.	195.	193.	220.	199.
28	193.	177.	187.	157.	147.	178.	161.
29	93.	93.	100.	84.	84.	81.	77.
30	286.	261.	288.	228.	232.	259.	232.
31	268.	279.	288.	274.	274.	320.	301.
32	55.	51.	50.	47.	47.	46.	48.
33	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
34	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.
35	110.	98.	86.	79.	92.	82.	79.
36	45.	42.	40.	37.	41.	36.	34.
37	126.	120.	110.	101.	105.	100.	115.
38	18.	19.	20.	20.	16.	17.	19.
39	2.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
40	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.	3.

APPENDIX VIII

BASIC DATA MATRIX FOR 15 AVERAGE FEMALE CHARADRII PHENONS

CHARACTER OTU

APPENDIX VIII - CONTINUED

CHARACTER OTU

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1	98.	98.	90.	95.	86.
2	113.	108.	103.	112.	98.
3	83.	78.	77.	76.	70.
4	75.	70.	69.	68.	64.
5	98.	88.	87.	91.	81.
6	122.	114.	108.	116.	101.
7	11.	13.	11.	12.	9.
8	289.	269.	255.	259.	215.
9	101.	82.	88.	103.	90.
10	41.	32.	40.	44.	22.
11	93.	82.	78.	89.	79.
12	52.	44.	44.	49.	46.
13	78.	71.	63.	71.	60.
14	53.	40.	42.	47.	44.
15	33.	33.	25.	23.	20.
16	82.	80.	69.	73.	64.
17	23.	20.	20.	23.	20.
18	56.	55.	52.	44.	42.
19	119.	118.	87.	98.	95.
20	74.	68.	59.	62.	57.
21	35.	27.	33.	32.	26.
22	153.	145.	134.	130.	121.
23	34.	33.	31.	25.	22.
24	45.	39.	41.	46.	44.
25	50.	50.	44.	39.	35.
26	75.	72.	65.	65.	57.
27	23.	19.	24.	22.	22.
28	129.	119.	116.	129.	117.
29	16.	14.	15.	15.	13.
30	36.	39.	34.	33.	26.
31	52.	50.	48.	52.	44.
32	53.	57.	46.	52.	42.
33	291.	273.	259.	262.	220.
34	408.	390.	362.	373.	323.
35	188.	179.	171.	178.	147.
36	87.	90.	87.	84.	88.
37	284.	325.	290.	250.	239.
38	216.	217.	211.	210.	220.
39	2.	2.	2.	1.	2.

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