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For each of the 4 psychophysics experiments we aimed at scheduling approximately 25-30 participants per group, in accord with samples sizes from previous similar reports (Dokka et al., 2019; Noel et al., 2018b). Data were not examined until after data collection was complete
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Auditory discrimination seemed to highlight potentially two subgroups within the ASD cohort (blue vs. green). Auditory threshold estimation was not possible for 6 of the 31 subjects within the ASD group (Fig. 1D, green, $R^2$ value < 0.50), due to a lack of modulation in their reports as a function of cue location (excluding these 6 subjects, average $R^2$ ASD = 0.95; average $R^2$ ASD = 0.96).

And:

As expected, most subjects reported a common source more frequently at smaller rather than larger $\Delta$ (Fig. 3A-C, F(8, 259) = 94.86, p < 0.001). Interestingly, while this pattern was true for all individual control subjects, 8 of the individuals with ASD (i.e., ~1/3) did not modulate their explicit common cause reports as a function of spatial disparity, despite good auditory and visual localization (see Fig. S1). These subjects were not included in subsequent analyses. As visual reliability worsened (Fig. 3, from A-C), both groups reported common cause less frequently (F(2, 74) = 10.68, p < 0.001).

**Statistical reporting**

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A total of 91 adolescents (16.25 ± 0.4 years; 20 females) took part (completely or partially) in a series of up to 4 behavioral experiments. Forty-four (16.0 ± 0.5 years; 7 females) of these participants were diagnosed as within the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Inclusion in the ASD group required that subjects have (1) a confirmed diagnosis of ASD by a research-reliable clinical practitioner and (2) no history of seizure or other neurological disorders. Intelligence Quotient (IQ) was available for a subset of the ASD participants, whose average score was 103 ± 9 (S.E.M.), this being no different from the general population (which by definition has a mean of 100). Participants with ASD were recruited through several sources, including the Simons Simplex Collection families, flyers posted at Texas Children’s Hospital, the Houston Autism Center, diverse learning centers for children diagnosed with ASD, and the clinical databases maintained by the Simons Foundation for Autism Research. The other 47 participants (16.5 ± 0.4 years; 13 females) were neurotypical controls.

Individuals in the control group had no diagnosis of ASD or any other developmental disorder or related medical diagnosis. All participants were screened at enrollment with the Social Communication Questionnaire (SCQ; Rutter et al. 2003) and/or the Autism Questionnaire (AQ; Baron-Cohen et al. 2001) to afford (1) a measure of current ASD symptomatology and (2) rule out concerns for ASD in control subjects.

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Data and code are available at https://osf.io/6xbzt.