

FIGURE 1. Bill length distributions of Purple Sandpipers caught in eastern Scotland (Kincardine, Angus & Fife).

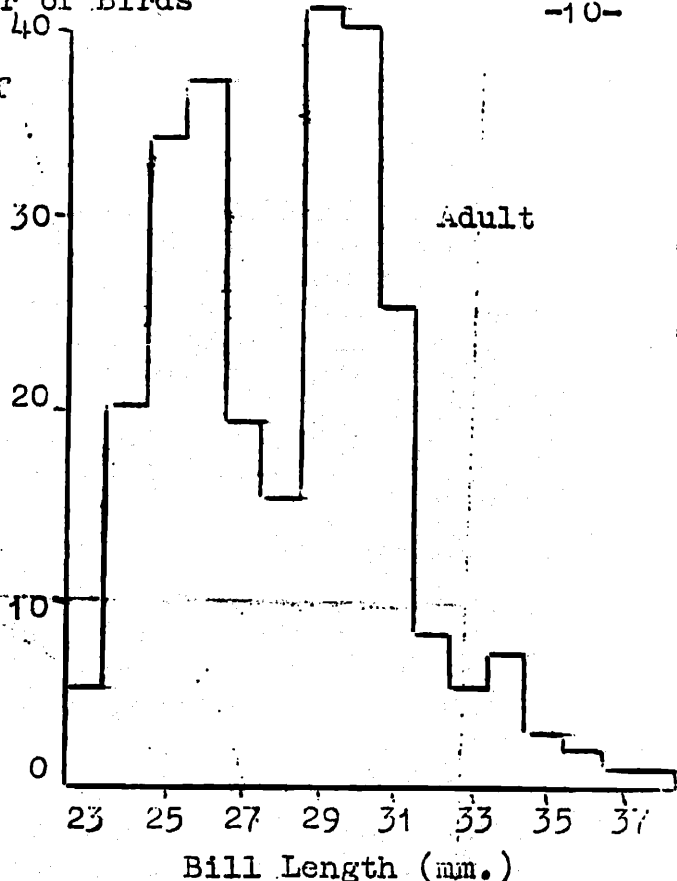
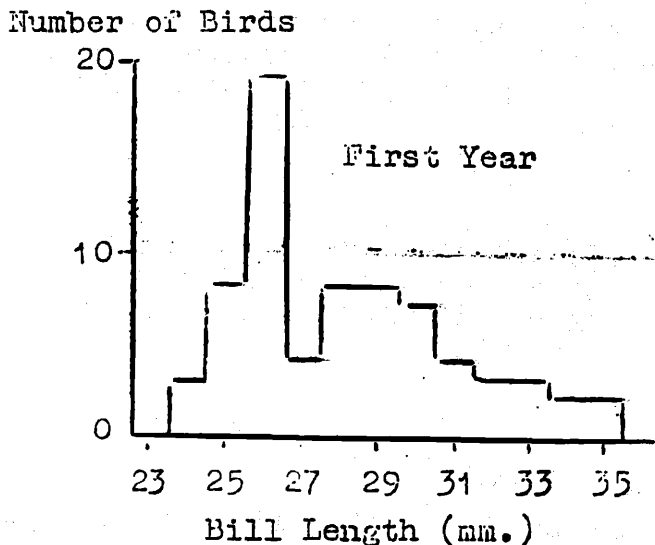
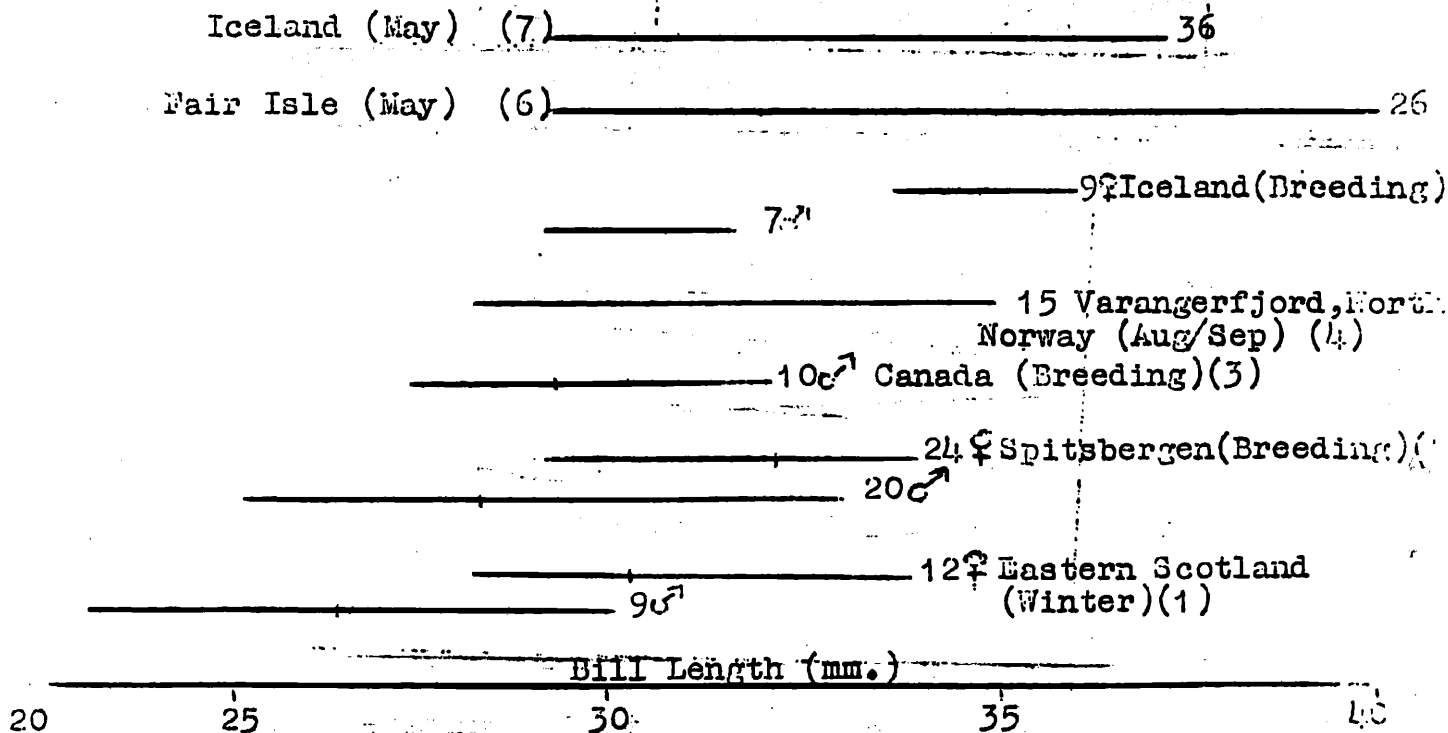


FIGURE 5. The ranges and means (where birds have been sexed by dissection) of Purple Sandpipers in various localities. Sample sizes are given beside the ranges.



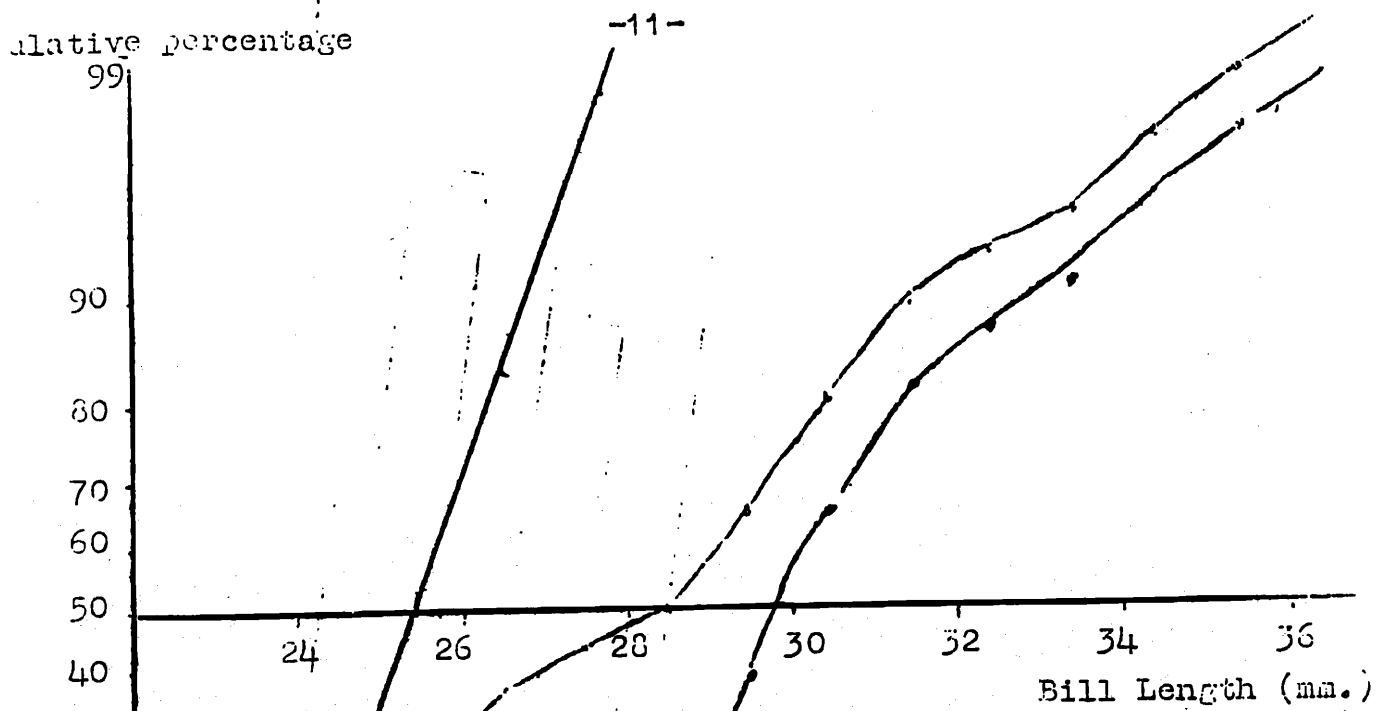


FIGURE 2 The PCF distribution of the bill lengths of adult Purple Sandpipers caught in eastern Scotland.

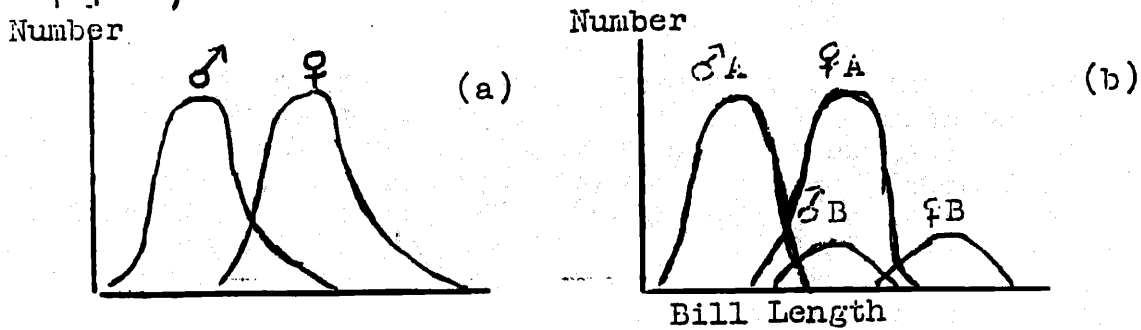


FIGURE 3. Possible interpretations of the observed bill length distribution

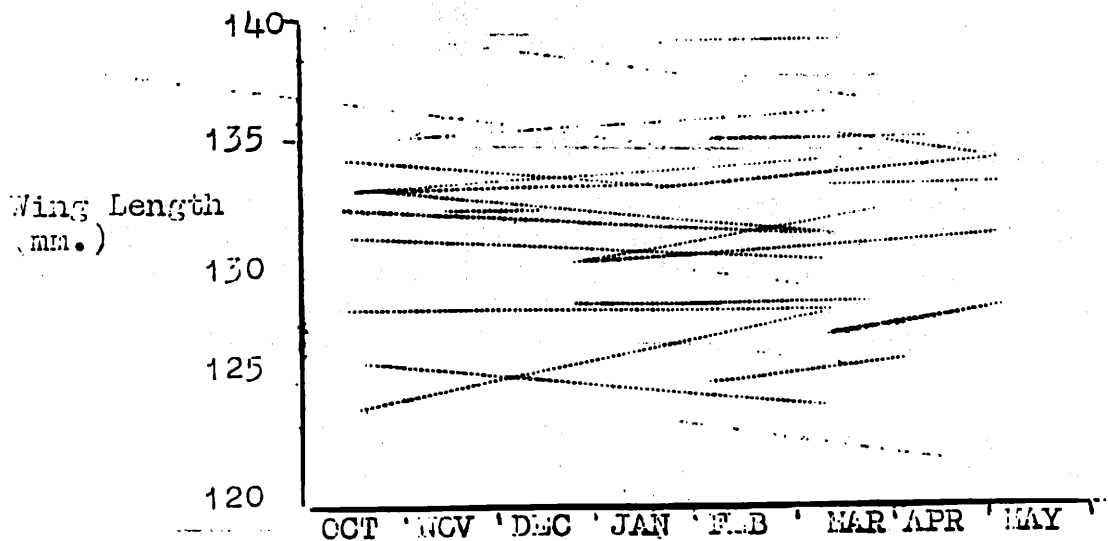


FIGURE 4. Changes in wing length of 21 Purple Sandpipers during one