Sauer, Pendelton, and Orsillo reviewed methods and biases in using geostatistics to map species distributions from point count data.

The final paper presents the principal result of the workshop, a set of standards for describing and conducting point count surveys. The standards emerged from interactive sessions during the workshop. They are generally consistent with results presented in other papers in the volume. The paper lists the standards clearly and concisely, but with advice on adapting them for use in monitoring programs with special objectives. The standards have been circulated widely, and they offer valuable advice to researchers about modifying monitoring programs that are in place or about establishing new ones.

Weaknesses of the volume are minor, and stem primarily from gaps in present knowledge about detection rates using point counts. There is a bias toward eastern states and provinces: work on 13 of 17 papers containing field data was done east of the Continental Divide. The largest geographical bias is a temperate one: only one paper contains data from tropical sites (Mexico). Much work needs to be done on avian monitoring in Latin America.

In summary, the volume is an excellent collection of moderately recent work on all aspects of point counts. It is perhaps the most important contribution to the refinement of methods for avian monitoring since the volume edited by Ralph and Scott (1981, Estimating Numbers of Terrestrial Birds, Studies in Avian Biology 6). Anyone interested in conducting point counts or in analyzing data from them should find something useful here. Finally, the price is right.—John F. McLaughlin.

ERRATUM

In the paper "Sexual size dimorphism and determination of sex in Yellow-legged Gulls" by M. Bosch published in the Journal of Field Ornithology 67 (4):534–541, the combined functions to sex gulls shown in Table 2 were incorrect. The correct versions are:

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D^1 = 1.430*HL + 5.135*BD + 0.144*W + 0.262*T - 366.988
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 $D^2 = 1.472*HL + 5.231*BD + 0.154*W - 346.582$

 $D^3 = 1.539*HL + 5.130*BD - 284.174$