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Summary

The National Meteorological Institutes in Northern Europe were started more than a century ago and over the years, a huge amount of data has accumulated. However, much of this data has not been accessible on computers, and has therefore not been subjected to a rigorous testing of homogeneity. The present project represents the largest effort hitherto accomplished within the field of digitisation, homogenisation and analysis of a multi-elemental dataset in this part of the World.

The objectives of NACD have been the following:

- I. To co-ordinate the production of a consistent climatological dataset covering the Northern North Atlantic from Greenland in west to Finland in east and from Svalbard in north to Belgium in south. This work has mainly involved the following phases:
 - a) Digitisation and quality control
 - b) Homogeneity testing and adjustment
 - c) Verification of adjustments
- II. Analysis of natural varibility of the climate in the Northern North Atlantic region.

III Arrangement of workshops, seminars and conferences for transfer of knowledge between the North European climatic data centres and other researchers dealing with climatic change.

All 3 objectives have been accomplished. The main result of this project has been the production of the first digital version of the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1), consisting of 388 individual time series of air temperature, air pressure, precipitation, days with snow cover and cloud cover. Preliminary analysis of the homogenised dataset has shown, that time series of air temperature, cloud cover and precipitation have been increasing, whereas air pressure and days with snow cover have remained unchanged over the period 1890-1990. Other main results of this project can be summarised as:

- 1). The importance of homogenisation of climatic time series has been widely recognized.
- 2) Multi-element approach to climatic change studies has been generally accepted
- 3) Standard data dictionary for monthly climatic data has been defined.
- 4) Standard exchange format for monthly climatic data has been implemented.
- 5) Standard metadata format for climatic time series has been suggested.
- 6) Co-ordination of climatic change studies on a wider European level has been initiated.
- 7) New techniques for detection of climatic change have been investigated.
- 8) Improved understanding of causal factors in climatic change issues has been achieved.
- 9) Several new proposals for future North Atlantic climate studies have been formulated.

More than 100 reports and articles have been published over the past few years, as a result of this project. Apart from the support from our own institutions, the main funding has come from the Environment Programme of the European Commission. We would however also like to acknowledge other funding agencies, such as the Nordic Council of Ministers, the European Science Foundation, the Academy of Finland and the Research Councils in Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

1.0 Introduction

The problems of analysing climate and climatic variations using a climatological dataset are closely interrelated with the problems of quality of observations, and homogeneity of time series, and this situation is consequently embodied in many of the reports from the NACD work. The NACD-publications during the first activity year mainly covered the spectrum: extraction of data from paper archives - digitisation - turning station history archives into metadata - homogenisation - definition of standards and preliminary data analysis, whereas the second activity year has been more focused on collaborative efforts to analyse climatic change.

This report contains a summary of the whole project, whereas the national reports (Frich et al. 1995), gives additional results from each country involved in the present project. A number of ongoing activities have been mentioned briefly in this report. These results will be published separately within the next months. The overall result of this project can however not be evaluated completely until the whole dataset has been applied in a number of comprehensive anlytical studies.

Nearly all the work tasks of the work programme have been completed during the past 2 years. Exceptions from this have been explained in the various chapters, as either publication activities in preparation, or as future plans or new projects. The 2-year funding from the EC has come at a time, when the project was already well established in the Nordic countries, and as the concept of establishing homogenous regional datasets has become more and more popular, the next few years will bring additional results initiated by this project. Some of the Nordic participants have been delayed considerably in their successfull acquisition of national funding related to the project, which explains minor deviations from the original work programme.

Cooperation within the project group has been running smoothly by the help of an electronic communication system, and in addition, the project members have met regularly at 3 NACD Seminars funded by the EC, and at other international meetings over the past 2 years.

The First NACD Seminar was arranged according to the work programme in Brussels, Belgium, from 29 November - 1 December 1993. Attending the meeting were all contractors of the present project (except VI) plus representatives from Germany, Finland and Estonia. The work programme was discussed in detail at this meeting, and financial and other problems were settled.

The fifth of a series of Nordic Climate Workshops was arranged by FMI in Majvik, Finland from 15-18 May, 1994. This event was also known as the European Workshop on Climate Variations, and NACD-participants made a total of 17 out of 41 contributions to the workshop. The proceedings from this workshop have been edited by Raino Heino/FMI (Heino, 1994e), and contains a summary of mainly European views on changes in the present climate.

The 19th Nordic Meteorologist's Meeting was arranged in Kristiansand, Norway from 6-10 June, 1994 by DNMI. A special session covered climate changes/climate variations and 4 out of 10 contributions were given by NACD-participants. The preprints from this meeting have been published (Bjørbæk et al., 1994).

The 2nd Meeting of the Regional North European Sub-group on Historical Climatology took place in Tallinn, Estonia from 29 September to 1 October, 1994. Approximately 7 out of 20 contributions were from NACD-participants. The proceedings will be published in early 1996.

The Second NACD Seminar was arranged in Reading, UK, from 17-19 October, 1994, and all contractors plus a national representative from Poland participated in this meeting. The various contractors reported on progress made during the first year of the project. Discussion was concentrated on the work programme for 1994/1995, and definition of exchange standards for data and metadata.

At a workshop in Vienna, Austria during 17-18 February, 1995, nearly all the NACD participants had an opportunity to meet with about 20 other representatives from national meteorological services in Europe. The outcome of this workshop, was a common proposal (MERIT) to the EC, which unfortunately was rejected.

The 6th International Meeting on Statistical Climatology in Galway, Ireland from 19-23 June 1995, was attended by 7 NACD partners. MSI hosted a two-day work group meeting in Dublin before the meeting in Galway, in order to co-ordinate various aspects of the work. The conference proceedings have been published (Ó Muircheartaigh et al., 1995).

At the International Conference on Past, Present and Future Climate in Helsinki Finland during 22-25 August, 1995, most of the NACD participants met again. Proceedings from this Conference have been published (Heikinheimo, 1995) The Nordic subgroup of NACD formulated a new proposal (REWARD) to the Nordic Council of Ministers, whereas the whole group met and discussed the finalisation of the present project.

Finally, the Third NACD Seminar was held in Copenhagen, Denmark during 5-7 October 1995, in order to discuss the final report, and co-ordinate remaining activities. This meeting was attended by all contractors (20 persons).

The results of those meetings have been incorporated in the present report, which contains a state of the art report for the whole project. The report has been divided into 4 main sections. In the first section, the status of digitisation and quality control is described. The next section describes the work done with extraction and storage of metadata. The third section describes the work with implementation and use of the Standard Normal Homogeneity Test (SNHT). Finally a fourth section contains a description of work accomplished under the heading 'Analysis of climate variation'.

Additional validation of other observed or model-based datasets remains to be done, after publication of the first version of the dataset. The techniques for this kind of studies have however been developed during the project period, and the remaining validation will be done in co-operation with the various data and modelling centres.

Finally, we present additional results, which could not be foreseen at the time of writing the original work programme. These results are related to more extensive collaboration between European data producers, and a short description of future plans.

2.0 Digitisation and quality control methods

As indicated in the NACD progress report of 1993-1994 (Frich et al., 1994), it is recognised that the digitising, homogeneity testing and climatological analysis are closely interrelated. The detailed statistical analysis can frequently reveal inhomogeneities that previously were unknown. Consequently, additional series were digitised and used for homogeneity studies and comparisons. This situation is illustrated in fig. 1.

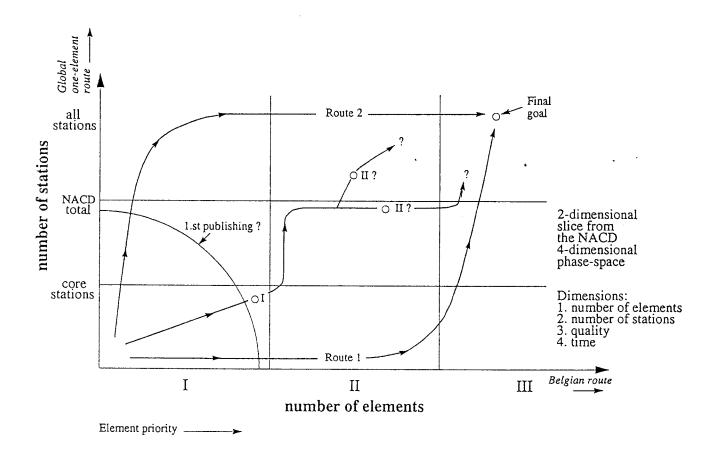


Figure 1 Procedure for completion of a homogenised dataset (After Jónsson et al., 1993).

In the original work programme, it was decided to restrict the project to 5 key elements. Furthermore, it was decided to restrict the number of stations to about 70. Concerning the time dimension, it was realised, that during a two-year period it was only possible to improve the quality of series from the period 1890-1990.

The digitisation of data has been nearly completed, and monthly values of air temperature, air pressure, precipitation, cloud cover and snow cover from practically all NACD stations have been transferred to digital media. The number of stations contained in the dataset is illustrated in fig. 2, whereas the location of the stations is shown in fig. 3.

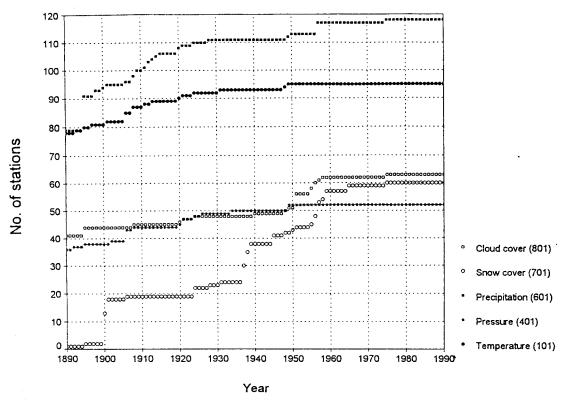


Figure 2 Number of stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1), shown as time series for each of the 5 climatic elements over the period 1890-1990. Minor gaps do occur in some of the series (not shown). See Appendix 2 for further details.

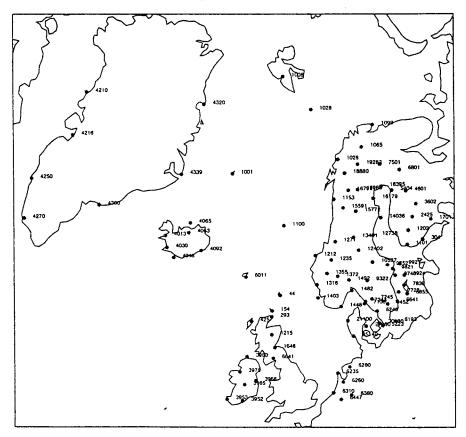


Figure 3a Location of temperature stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1). Based on information contained in Appendix 2.

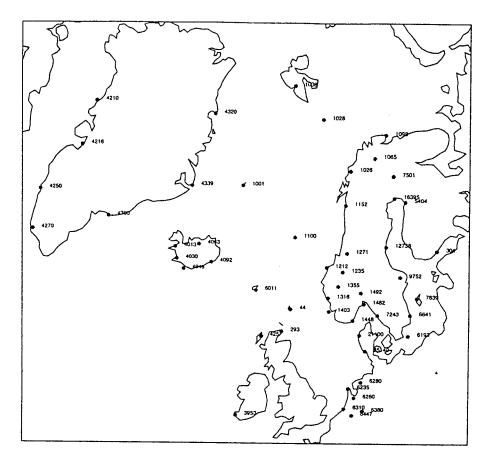


Figure 3b Location of pressure stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1). Based on information contained in Appendix 2.

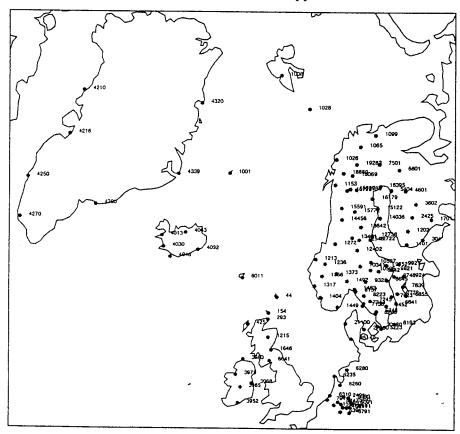


Figure 3c Location of precipitation stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1). Based on information contained in Appendix 2.

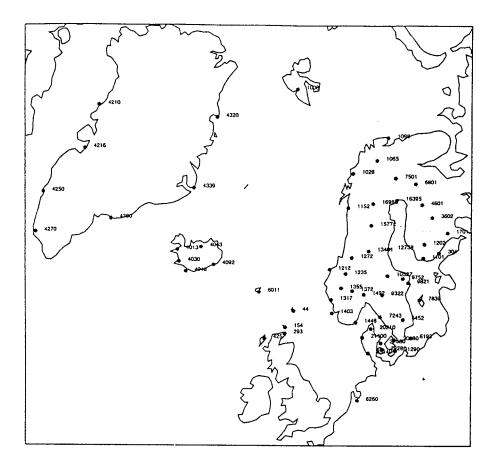


Figure 3d Location of snow cover stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1). Based on information contained in Appendix 2.

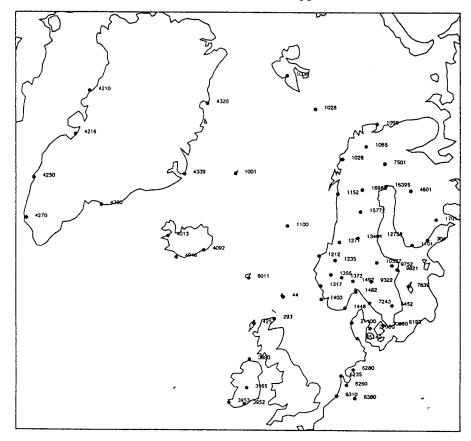


Figure 3e Location of cloud cover stations included in the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1). Based on information contained in Appendix 2.

For practical reasons, a large number of additional climatic elements have been digitised. All these various climatic elements are included in Appendix 3, which is a comprehensive data dictionary developed during the NACD project (Frich & Cappelen, 1992, Tuomenvirta, 1992, Larsen et al, 1993, Jónsson et al. 1993). Although homogenisation of some of these additional elements has started, they have not been included in the present version of NACD.

A major effort has also been made at the various national meteorological services participating in another EC-project, which involves digitisation of daily pressure data. This new project will utilize daily pressure observations from a selection of NACD-stations for calculating geostrophic wind over the northeast Atlantic area over the past 100 years. The experience gained from the NACD-project has been a valuable starting point for this new WASA-project. A kick-off meeting was held at DMI in Copenhagen, Denmark in May, 1994, setting out the details of this project. It was decided that DMI should produce a CD-ROM with all digitised pressure observations originating from the WASA-project. This WASA pressure dataset will be available during early 1996 (Schmith et al., in prep.).

For the benefit of future projects, several countries have started digitisation of other daily values. The main effort has been done with respect to precipitation data, but also some temperature series have been or will be digitised on a daily basis throughout the whole period of observation. Some of this digitisation is done using optical character recognition systems, which have been developed during the present project. The selection of data series for digitisation of daily values has been based on the results of homogeneity testing in the present project.

One major result of the present project, is the definition of a common data exchange standard. This standard is linked to the station catalogue (Appendix 2), the data dictionary (Appendix 3). The data exchange standard is described in appendix 4. The first digital version of NACD is enclosed on 2 diskettes in the agreed data exchange format on the back cover of this report.

Quality control of individual monthly values has been secured by a number of methods, including:

- 1) Double keying of monthly data.
- 2) Comparison of digitised annual means/sums with means/sums of digitised monthly values and or means/sums of digitised daily values.
- 3) Various tests for outliers and comparisons with extreme value distributions.
- 4) Internal logical tests, e.g. Th>Tx>T>Tn>Tl and R01>R1>R10 (c.f. Appendix 3).
- 5) Comparisons with spatially interpolated values.

Missing values have in some cases been interpolated by using data from nearby stations, and they have been flagged as such in the various national databases. No automatic interpolation routines have been applied to the present version of the dataset.

3.0 Metadata and station history archives

The work with metadata was initiated before the present project started. The development of a system for storing and retrieving metadata is built on the work by e.g. Tuomenvirta (1992), Larsen et al. (1993), Heino (1994) and Tuomenvirta & Drebs (1994). An illustration of the complicated task of organizing metadata in a systematic way is given in figs. 4 and 5.

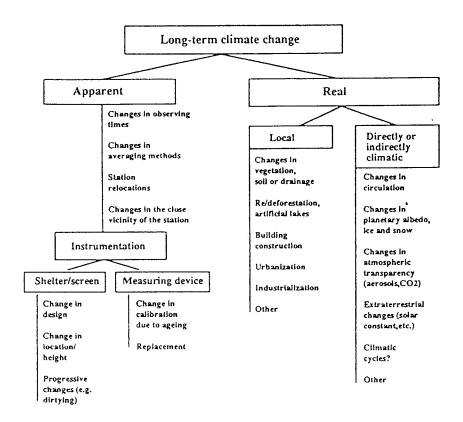


Figure 4 Factors causing long-term climatic changes (After Heino, 1994)

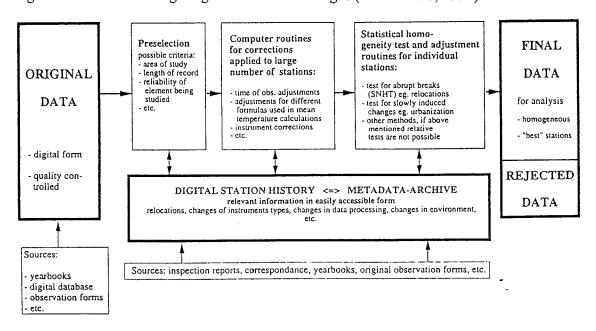


Figure 5 Schematic diagram of the production of a homogenous dataset for climate reseach (after Tuomenvirta & Drebs, 1994).

For the meteorological/climatological processing and analysis of the data it is important to know what type of instrument that has been used, the site of the instruments etc. The NACD-members have worked towards a standard metadata system, which could become more widely accepted. R. Heino, FMI, serves as rapporteur within WMO on the metadata topic. In his latest report on this issue, it is stated: "A straightforward way to identify possible points of inhomogeneity in records is a careful study of the 'methodological history' of the country in question (.e.g. country-wide changes in instrumentation or times of observation and averaging methods). The background of each observing station should also be checked from station inspection reports or other relevant documents. Any changes in instrumentation or observing methods occurring at a particular station should be checked as a possible source of inhomogeneity.

Even if the observations were free of instrumental or observational inhomogeneities, the records may still show local step-like or progressive changes. The effect of major, as well as some minor relocations of the stations typically introduce inhomogeneities. In addition to horizontal moves, a station relocation often includes a change in elevation and environment. Information on station histories is of primary importance to the homogenisation process and can only be assessed station by station.

In addition to urban and industrial effects, there are many other obvious consequences of man's activities for local climates (e.g. de/reforestation, artificial lakes, etc.). Their detection and correction, however, are more difficult, because these, like real variations in climate are generally trend-like. Apparent cyclic changes are also generally gradual and hidden amongst the real changes.

The effects due to different inhomogeneities, which are not the same for all climatic elements have been summarised in table 1.

Table 1 The sources of inhomogeneity and their significance on time series in medium to high latitudes (after R. Heino, FMI).

Source of inhomogeneity	Air temperature	Precipi- tation	Air pressure	Cloud cover	Snow cover
Observers Instruments Height of instr. Exposure of -"- Times of obs. Calc. methods Relocations	- + ++ ++ ++	- + + +++ - -	+ + -1) - - +	++ - - - +	++ - - + -
Environment	+	++	-	+	+
Note	+ Son ++ Sign +++ Hig	No major homogeneity problems. Some inhomogeneities. Significant inhomogeneities. Highly significant inhomogeneities. Providing that exact height information is available.			

Studies of methodological or single station histories are quite difficult and time-consuming to conduct. In addition, the necessary information sources for a given country are available only in that country. The language in which the information is described may also hinder this kind of study by outsiders. In practice, data records are never fully homogenised. New information on metadata or new test methods may reveal some need for further adjustments. However, if any adjustments are made, the original data should never be destroyed and replaced with the homogenised data, because future studies may still require the original data.

It is paradoxical that the causes introducing inhomogeneity in the records mostly represent real improvements in the measuring techniques or sites. The improvements, however, may seriously disturb the continuity of the series and introduce relatively large apparent changes, which should be carefully eliminated before proceeding too far towards conclusions supporting or refusing the results of other climatic studies."

To create metadata files with characteristics on instruments, site of equipment etc. the main source of information is given by historical inspection reports and station correspondence between the observer and the respective institute. This is a comprehensive task and this work is concentrated to the most important NACD-stations. It will not be possible to create a complete set of metadata files for all the stocks of NACD-stations. However, it was decided at the Second NACD Seminar in Reading, that a common metadata exhange format is needed. Such a standard was suggested taking into consideration the various national standards of storing metadata.

One major result of the Third NACD Seminar in Copenhagen was the definition of a common metadata exchange standard. This standard is linked to the station catalogue (Appendix 2), the data dictionary (Appendix 3) and the data exchange standard (Appendix 4). The metadata exchange standard is included in Appendix 5. As the volume of metadata is enormous, it was decided to include only selected examples of metadata in the final report. Most part of the metadata will thus remain at the data producing entities, but will be delivered to interested users of NACD Version 1 upon request.

Thus, a distinction should be made between metadata in digital form, and station history archives in paper form, including handwritten documents, photos, maps and reports.

4.0 Homogeneity testing methods

Small changes of the conditions at the meteorological stations, like change of instruments or change of measurement routines, time of observation frequently mean that more or less serious errors are introduced. It is thus urgent to detect and eliminate as far as possible these negative influences. The standard procedure for testing the homogeneity of data series is based on the Standard Normal Homogeneity Test (SNHT) by Alexandersson (1986), with later modifications.

The work within the NACD-countries was originally focused on the monthly temperature and precipitation stocks of data. Hanssen-Bauer & Førland (1994) have homogenised 129 Norwegian precipitation series over the past century. They found that homogeneity testing and documentation of changes by the use of station history archives were of crucial importance for finding reliable regional precipitation trends. Their findings have been summarised in table 2.

<u>Table 2</u> Causes of inhomogeneities in Norwegian precipitation network, 1895-1990. (After Hanssen-Bauer & Førland, 1994).

Number of inhomogeneities: 151 =	100	%
Causes of inhomogeneities:		
Relocation of gauge	48	જ
Changed environment		
Installation of wind shield		
New observer		
Other known reasons		
Reason unknown		

4.1 Parallel observations

The first step in any homogenising effort is to study metadata, and detect when systematic changes of the national network of stations took place. Then analysis of parallel series of measurements should be done. An inventory of known changes in temperature screen design in the Nordic countries has been made by Nordli et al., (1995).

Many stations had previously a thermometer cage located on a North-facing wall, whereas nearly all stations today have free-standing Stevenson screens located away from buildings. Testing of the two screens against each other led to variable results. However, the bulk of the tests showed no effect of the change in winter but there was a tendency of warmer wall screens during summer, the bias amounting to 0.0 - 0.3°C, (see fig. 6). At two Norwegian sites situated at steep valley slopes, the wall screen was colder in winter by 0.5°C at most. It was concluded, that the screen comparisons had shown very variable results, meaning that no standard adjustment could be applied to temperature series where only the date of change from wall screen to Stevenson screen was known. A number of very local factors could influence the measurements significantly.

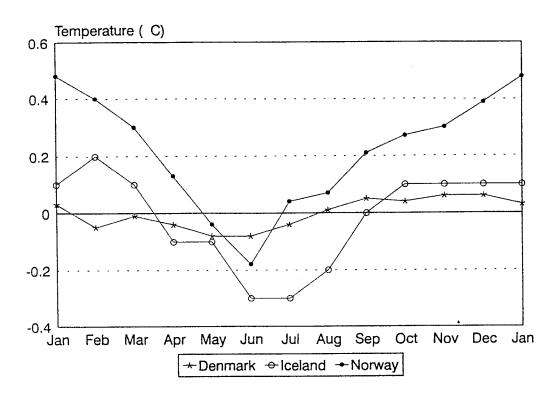


Figure 6. Mean monthly temperature differences: Free-standing screens minus wall screens. Mean values from tests in Denmark (5 tests), Iceland (8 tests), and Norway (2 tests). After Nordli et al. (1995).

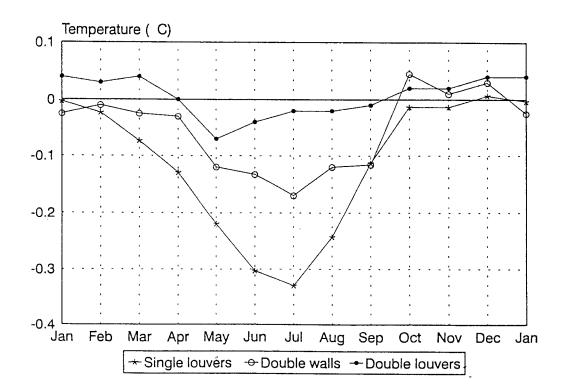


Figure 7. Monthly mean differences between: Temperature of forced ventilated air minus temperature in ordinary free-standing screens. After Nordli et al. (1995).

The first free-standing screens used were single louvered. They were later improved by double louvers. Unless the series are adjusted, this improvement may lead to inhomogeneities in long temperature time series. Compared to ventilated thermometers the single louvered screens were biased about 0.3° C warm in midsummer while the double louvered were unbiased, fig. 7.

In recent years, a small cylindrical screen suitable for automatic weather stations has been introduced. At some stations it has replaced the ordinary free-standing screen in connection with automation. The novel sensor screen is probably unbiased compared to the ordinary free-standing screen concerning mean monthly temperature, but both daily maximum and minimum temperatures are biased mainly caused by less inertia of the novel screen and faster temperature sensors. Higher maximum and lower minimum lead to increased diurnal range. The increase may amount to 1°C or more in midsummer monthly means.

Precipitation gauges

Measurements of precipitation are highly dependent on the type of precipitation gauge used and its exposure, and consequently a change of gauge introduces many complications. The records of precipitation amounts are always underestimates of the real amounts and they can usually be expected to contain great inhomogeneities in both space and time. In addition, most of the random-type inhomogeneities are also negative resulting from reduction in the catch (e.g. due to a leaking gauge, spilling of water). However, in wind exposed areas, drifting/blowing snow may occasionally cause too high gauge values.

Of particular concern is the measurement of snowfall from conventional gauges, where large errors are known to occur. When precipitation errors are expressed as a percentage of the true precipitation, they tend to be largest in windy high latitude climates.

The amount of precipitation collected varies with both the size and the design of the gauge. The amount of precipitation measured by the various gauges presently used is normally lower than that which actually falls. This systematic error is typically largest in high latitude (and mountainous) regions, where the wind speeds are high and a large proportion of precipitation comes in solid form. The principal errors in measuring precipitation are due to the following three causes:

- (i) Wetting (or adhesion), i.e. the loss when transferring precipitation from the gauge to the measuring cylinder, This loss is an instrument error and can be estimated quite accurately for different amounts of precipitation. Corrections for wetting have been applied in some countries e.g. in the USSR/Russia since 1966. Until now, no such corrections have been applied to the precipitation data of the NACD-countries and thus changes in the wetting error are due only to gauge changes.
- (ii) Evaporation from the gauge depends on inter alia instrument design and material, location of the station and other meteorological parameters (e.g. air temperature, saturation deficit, wind). This error is not accounted for in the NACD-precipitation records, either.
- (iii) The largest errors in precipitation measurements are due to aerodynamic (or wind) causes and may be up to 30% or even more, depending on the type of the gauge and its installation.

The adjustments to be applied for precipitation records of the NACD-data do not take into account the present wetting, evaporation and wind errors, i.e. no attempt is made to obtain the true precipitation, but only the "level" of the present gauge-type in each country. Thus the precipitation data cannot be considered homogenous in a spatial sense.

Fig. 8 shows the precipitation gauges used in each NACD-country and a rough estimate on the effect of each change (positive/negative/gradual). In a separate report by Heino et al. (in preparation) more detailed information is given on the gauges used in the NACD-countries as well as on the effect of each change in numerical form.

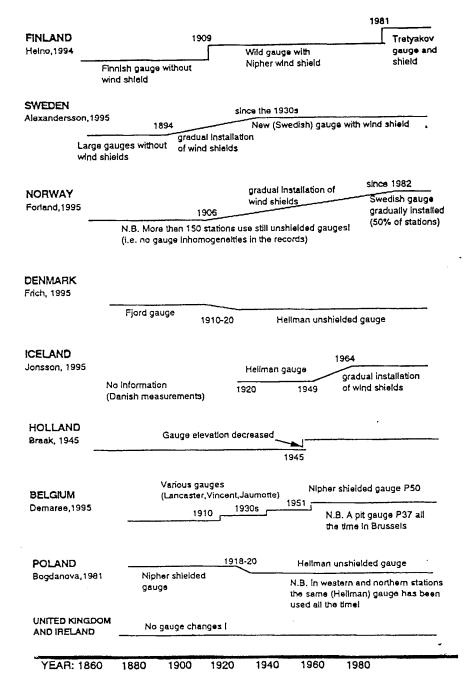


Figure 8 Apparent changes due to change of precipitation gauges in the NACD area. (From Heino et al., in prep.).

4.2 Standard Normal Homogeneity Test (SNHT)

Once the systematic changes in the network has been investigated (see previous chapter) and appropriate adjustments made, the series should be run through a series of relative homogeneity tests. General recommendations as to the use of the Standard Normal Homogeneity Test (SNHT) have been given in e.g. Frich & Cappelen (1992), Steffensen et al. (1993), Frich (1994b) and Hanssen-Bauer & Førland (1994). See also SNHT User Manual to be published in a separate report (Steffensen et al., 1996).

During the NACD-project, the homogenisation of data has been accomplished using the Standard Normal Homogeneity test (SNHT) as described by Alexandersson (1986), and with more wide practical experience presented by e.g. Hanssen-Bauer & Førland (1995). In this test, the most significant break(s) are picked out and compared with a significance level and with metadata. This often leads to reasonable ways of adjusting inhomogenous series. There has also been efforts to generalize the test to linear trends, to adjust for e.g. urban warming (Alexandersson, 1995) and to take into account differences between temperature climate types in the adjustment procedures (Tuomenvirta & Alexandersson, 1995).

To illustrate the new method, which tries to detect artificial linear trends, one example, where the Stockholm temperature series is compared with surrounding rural series, is given in fig. 9.

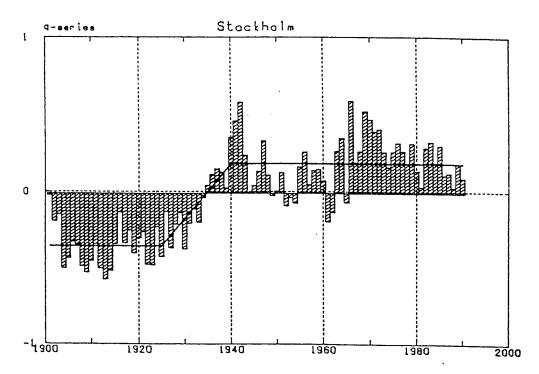


Figure 9 A linear trend of arbitrary length is fitted to the difference between the annual mean temperature in Stockholm, Sweden and reference series from surrounding rural sites. The SNHT trend test picks out 1925-1940 as the most prominent trend section. (After Alexandersson, 1995).

The trend test picks out the period 1925-1940 as a trend section, but it should be noted, that the series of differences is also well described by a sudden change in 1933/34. The total magnitude of the change of the mean annual temperature is estimated to 0.54°C. The chosen period coincides

fairly well with a period when nearby blocks were constructed close to the Observatory Hill, while the great expansion of suburbs in the 1960ies might be another trend section but of less significance. The Stockholm series may also be affected by evolution of nearby trees, small relocations on top of the hill etc.

Several intercomparisons of the various test methods have been made over the past few years, e.g. Easterling and Peterson, (1992), Lamarque, (1994), and all show that the SNHT is superior to other test methods. To be used in its original version, the test is however labour intensive. It is also somehow vulnerable to missing values and large errors in the time series. Depending on the quality of available time series, it is therefore recommended to run the data series through some kind of quality control scheme first (see Chapter 2.0). Furthermore, it is generally recommended to have all available metadata at hand before the homogeneity testing starts. Homogenisation of time series without metadata cannot be recommended (c.f. Frich, 1994c).

Most series have generally been tested for single breaks, multiple breaks and trends respectively. Air temperature, air pressure and cloud cover series have been tested by forming differences between a test series and the reference series, whereas series of precipitation and no. of days with snow cover have been tested by using ratios. Generally, air pressure and air temperature have the lowest spatial variability, whereas precipitation has the highest spatial variability. In the former case, no weighting of the reference series has been necessary, whereas weighting by the variance or correlation coefficients has been applied, when precipitation stations were located far away from each other or in mountain areas.

The adequate number of reference series depends on the quality of these series. The optimal situation is to have a limited number of high quality (i.e. homogenous) reference stations, but as this is nearly always impossible in practice, it is often necessary to have many reference stations of poorer quality, which can form a roughly homogenous reference series by cancelling out the existent inhomogeneities.

Quite often, the SNHT detects both a linear trend, a single break and a double break in the same series. The standard procedure has been to divide the series into 30-50 year segments in order to test and adjust each single break individually. In many cases it has been difficult to decide whether a short trend or a single break existed in the series. If the trend test shows a trend of 5 years or less and the single break is located in between the start and end years of the trend, the normal procedure was to adjust for a single break. If the trend is more signficant than both the single and the double breaks and the year of the single break is not identical to one of the double break years, the inhomogeneity is most propably a trend.

One special problem encountered, relates to time series which do not adhere to the basic assumption of a normal distribution. This is especially a problem with elements such as precipitation and no. of days with snow cover. This problem has been somehow alleviated by the use of seasonal adjustment factors.

All adjustments made to inhomogenous series in the dataset have been applied to the oldest part of each time series. In most cases, seasonal adjustments have been made, when breaks were significant i.e. above the 95 % confidence level. The adjustment factors were calculated, when a change was documented in the metadata, by using 3-10 reference series from nearby stations. All adjusted series were then tested again, using other reference stations if possible.

4.3 Verification of adjustments

The homogenisation process can be divided into 3 phases. First phase is the internal relative homogeneity test, using e.g. mean temperature versus clock means of temperature and mean maximum and mean minimum temperature series from the same station. This test will detect change of observation hours, change of formula or change of instrument shelter. Adjustments can be verified by consulting the metadata (e.g. Frich, 1994c).

Next phase is a regional homogeneity test, where an NACD-series is tested against reference series not included in the dataset. This test phase will often reveal relocations, change of instruments or change of observer. Adjustments can be verified by consulting the metadata, or by comparing e.g. cloud cover with hours of bright sunshine (e.g. Frich, 1994c).

The final phase is an international relative homogeneity test, where one NACD-series is tested against homogeneous reference series from several countries in the same climatic region. This phase should reveal any nation-wide changes in the observational networks, which might have been overlooked. The final homogeneity testing phase can also be extended to independently derived datasets, such as the UKMO gridded dataset of sea surface temperature (SST) and night marine air temperature (NMAT), see fig. 10.

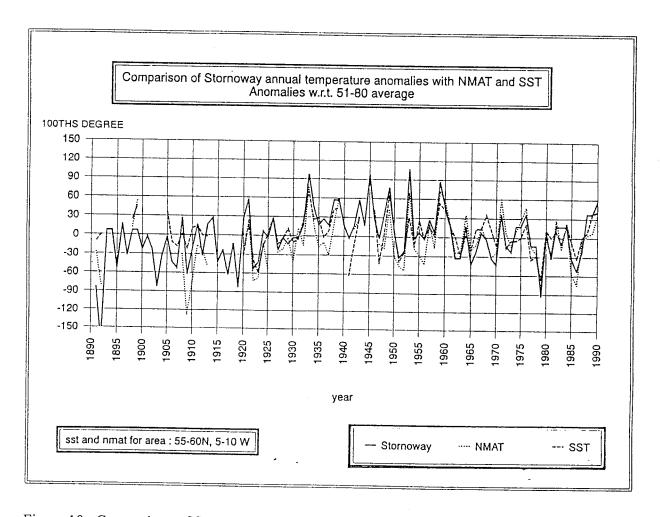


Figure 10 Comparison of Stornoway annual mean temperature with NMAT and SST for area 55-60 N, 5-10 W from the UKMO dataset (after Ashcroft, 1995).

Another way of validating the NACD is through intercomparison with gridded global datasets of e.g. air temperature from land stations. Moberg & Alexandersson, (in press) have performed a comparison between the CRU dataset (Jones & Briffa, 1992) and homogenous temperature series from 6 grid boxes over central Scandinavia. The results are shown in fig. 11.

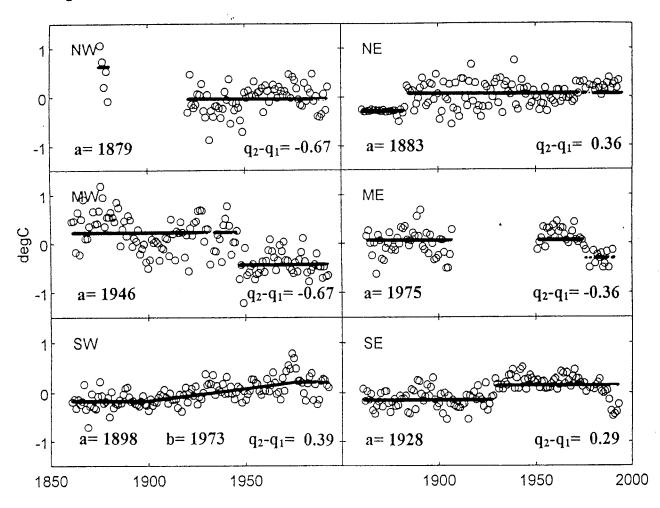


Figure 11 Comparison between gridded annual mean temperature from NACD stations and gridded mean temperature from the CRU dataset. (After Moberg & Alexandersson, in press).

The general findings of these two investigations were, that for larger regions (several gridboxes), the NACD and UKMO and CRU datasets were in good agreement, whereas major deviations were found for individual grid boxes. Nearly all the UKMO grid box temperature series have been colder than the closest NACD station temperature series over the most recent decade. This discrepancy remains unexplained. There is no doubt, that the homogenisation of temperature series accomplished through the present NACD project, will lead to considerable improvement of individual grid box series, wheras the overall effect on the various global temperature datasets is unknown.

5.0 Analysis of natural climate variations

A variety of studies on climate change related topics has been achieved within the NACD project during the past year (November 1994 to October 1995) as can be seen from the list of publications below. The main focus of the publication activities concern inhomogeneity influences and natural climate variations.

A few selected references will help to describe the wide scope of the NACD-publishing activities. It should however be recognized that some of the work was done prior to the commencement of the present project, and that a number of publications are still in preparation.

5.1 Air temperature

Concerning air temperature, a number of publications have appeared recently (e.g.Ashcroft, 1994, Frich (1994a-c), Nordli (1994), Nordli et al. (1994)). Generally these studies confirm and provide more details to the well-known picture of temperature variations in the NACD-area. Moberg & Alexandersson (in press) have analysed urban effects on the long (1759-now) instrumental temperature series from Stockholm, Sweden. They found that the urban effect on this series amounts to nearly 1 K, mainly taking place over the period 1860-1970.

Kaas & Frich (1995) have shown for selected Nordic stations, that the diurnal temperature range (DTR) has not changed significantly over the past 60 years. These observed trends were compared to a statistical projection of the future climate at the same stations, and it was concluded that a doubling of the CO² concentration in the next century could lead to a significant reduction in DTR in the continental parts of Scandinavia, whereas the western maritime parts of the North Atlantic region should not expect any significant changes in DTR.

Moberg & Alexandersson (in press) have analysed the temperature trends in 6 5x5 degrees grid boxes located over central Scandinavia since 1860. Generally, the annual mean temperature has increased 0.7-0.9 °C, calculated as the difference between two 30-year periods. The only exception is the NE gridbox situated over eastern Lapland, where a temperature increase of 0.5 °C was not significantly different from 0. The temperature increase has been most pronounced during spring (see table 3), and is well above the global average.

<u>Table 3</u> Seasonal and annual trends in temperature (°C) over the period 1861 to 1993/94. Average of 6 5x5 degrees grid boxes over Scandinavia (After Moberg & Alexandersson, in press).

Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Year
0.46	1.33	0.46	0.61	0.73

Heino (1994a) has analysed the climate of Finland over the period with instrumental observations. Temperature changes were in general agreement with the study cited above. Notable findings were, that the continentality gradient has increased over Finland, the timing of the peaks of both winter cold and summer warmth has shifted earlier in recent decades. Most other climatic elements studied did not show any significant changes.

The NACD temperature series are presently being analysed using principal component analysis (PCA). The final results will be presented by Hanssen-Bauer et al. (1995). The main analysis is based upon the covariance matrix from 58 NACD series of annual mean temperature during 1891-1990. The 58 stations are situated between 50 and 70 °N and between 25 °W and 25 °E. The 5 first principal components accounts for 95 % of the variance in the dataset. In the Irish series, 70-75 % of the variance is accounted for, while 98 % of the variance is accounted for in most of the Finnish series (fig. 12). The loadings of PC1 are at a maximum in eastern parts of the NACD area. PC2 has positive loadings in northern areas and negative loadings in southern areas. The loadings of PC3 are at maximum in western areas.

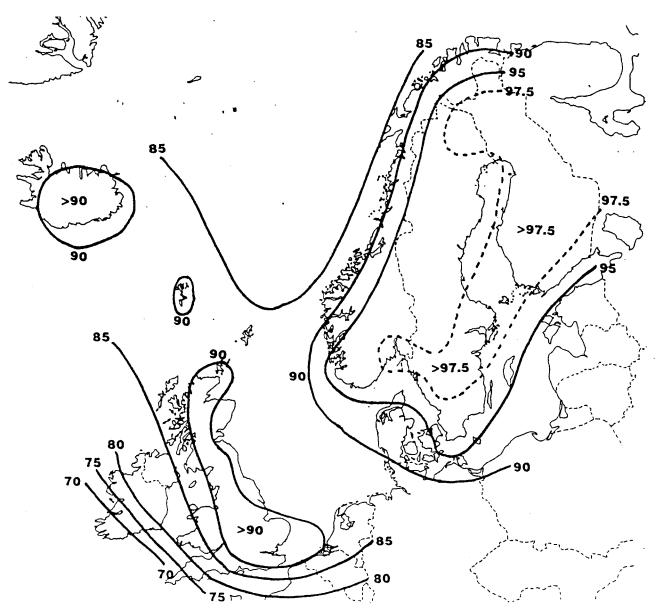


Figure 12 Percent of variance accounted for by the 5 first principal components resulting from a PCA of 58 series of annual mean temperature. (After Hanssen-Bauer et al. 1995).

The analysed area was divided into 6 temperature regions using simple criteria concerning the influence of PC1-PC3. The loadings and scores of PC1-PC5 were used in order to estimate temperature anomaly curves representative for these regions (fig. 13)

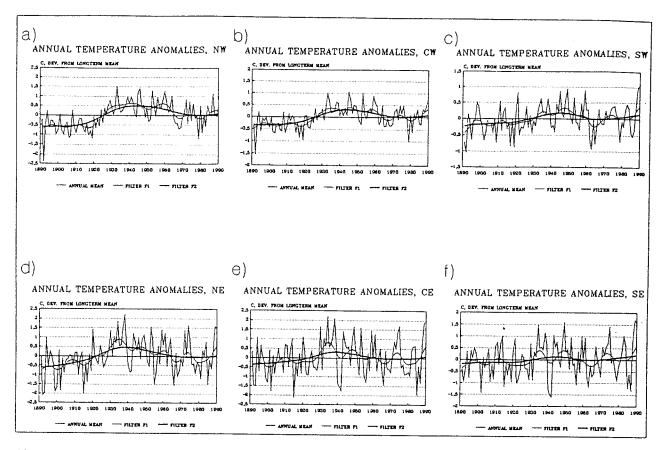


Figure 13 Series of annual temperature anomalies over the period 1891-1990, representative for a) northwesterly, b) central westerly c) southwesterly, d) northeasterly, e) central easterly and e) southeasterly parts of the analysed area. (After Hanssen-Bauer et al., 1995).

5.2 Air pressure

Pressure is in the long run the most conservative of the 5 elements presented in this version of the NACD. There are considerable year to year differences, even decadal variations, but variations of lower frequencies are usually subtle and difficult to detect. The analysis of the pressure dataset has barely begun. Homogeneity within the different countries seems to be reasonably good, but a detailed cross-border-comparison remains. In the northern and western part of the area such a comparison is a difficult task. The distances involved are so large that sub-hPa inconsistencies are only of minimal interest anyway.

The pressure dataset anlysed sofar consists of 46 series, 3 Norwegian arctic stations, 15 mainland Norwegian, 6 series from Sweden, 3 from Finland, Denmark and Scotland respectively, 1 from the Netherlands and the Faeroe Islands respectively, 5 from Iceland and 6 from Greenland. There are some gaps in many of the stations but the period 1950-1975 is almost complete. Before 1920 there are usually around 35 stations present, the total number during the 20's and 30's is over 40. There were some disruptions during the 2nd World War. Because of the widely variable density of stations in space and time it can be very misleading to calculate the average pressure in the area by simply adding up and dividing by the total number of stations, but the result can nicely serve as a demonstration of the pressure behavior in the area. As seen in fig.14, there is no general trend in the mean January pressure. There are large January-

January differences, even in this large-area average. The great blocking episodes of the sixties, around 1940 and in 1929 are very much in evidence. The highest monthly pressure value in January is found in Helsinki in Finland, but the runner-up station is Stornoway and then Torshavn in the Faeroe Islands. Between 1963 and 1968 the January averages in the whole area only rarely go below 1000 hPa. It is of interest to point out that this is concurrent with the appearance of the "Great Salinity Anomaly" to the north of Iceland. This will be pursued in detail during further analysis of the dataset (Jónsson et al, in prep.). One must again point out the data scarcity in the arctic areas in the early part of the dataset and that one should beware of the dangers of overinterpretation when examining the figures.

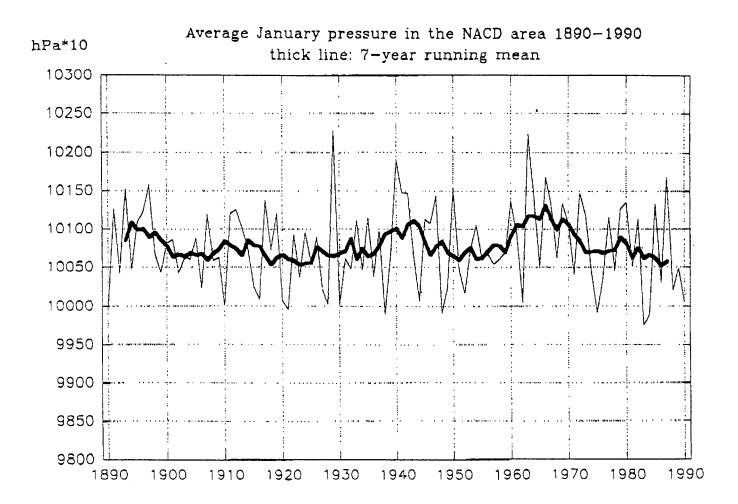


Figure 14 Average pressure in January 1890-1990. Simple mean of 48 stations. After Jónsson et al. (in prep.)

The trends at individual stations are subtle and should not be overemphasized. The pressure gradients between stations are consequently also subdued. An interesting exception can be seen in fig. 15, the annual pressure difference between Vardø in Northern Norway and Lerwick in the Shetland Islands. In the early part of the series the average pressure on annual basis is very similar at both locations, but later in the period the Vardø pressure is clearly higher than in Lerwick. This merits a much closer inspection.

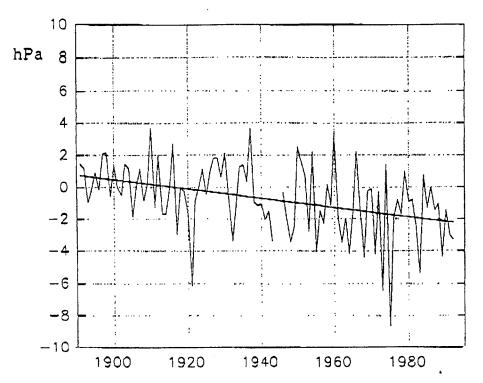


Figure 15 Pressure difference (annual means) between Vardø in Northern Norway and Lerwick on the Shetland Islands over the period 1890-1990. After Jónsson et al. (in prep.)

Other studies on air pressure include those of Alexandersson (1994a&b), Brandt & Schmith (1994), Mietus, (1994b, 1995), Schmith (1995). The general finding was that the pressure gradient over Northwestern Europe has remained stable over most of this century, although an increased gradient has been observed in the most recent decades over the Northeastern parts of the North Atlantic Ocean The pressure gradient has thus increased over Southwestern Norway, meaning an increase in wind speed and a larger advection of moist air masses from SSW. The strength of the zonal flow for March is illustrated in fig. 16.

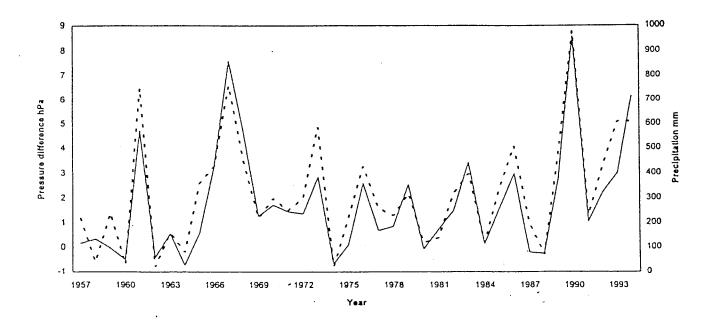


Figure 16 Covariation of zonal wind component and precipitation in March for the station Samnager, Western Norway 1957-1994. After Tveito et al., in prep.

5.3 Precipitation

The main part of the analytical work has dealt with changing trends in precipitation (Frich (1994d), Førland (1994a&b), Hanssen-Bauer (1994), Hanssen-Bauer & Førland (1994), Nordli et al. (1994)). A general picture emerges from these studies: Precipitation trends have been significantly positive especially during the winter half year around the periphery of the North Atlantic ocean, whereas the continental parts of Europe have experienced a stable - or during spring and summer even drier precipitation climate over the latest decades. These changes are illustrated in fig. 17.

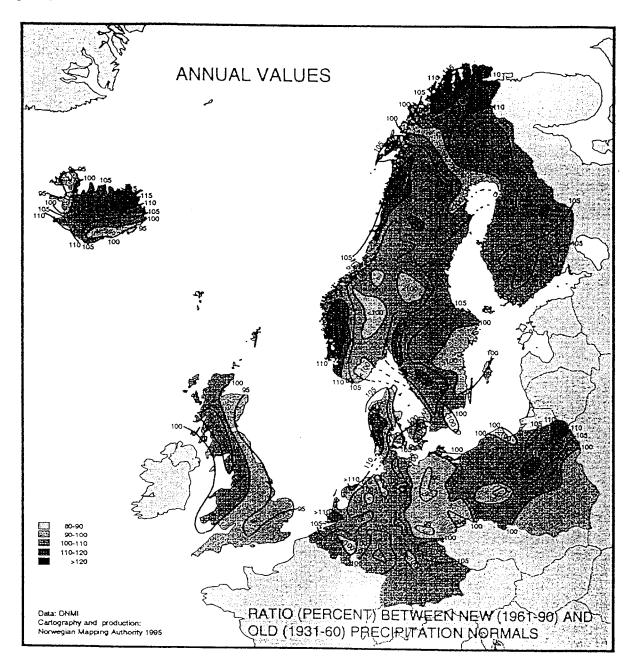


Figure 17 Changes in annual mean precipitation from 1931-60 to 1961-90. (Førland et al., 1995)

A pricipal component analysis of all NACD precipitation series has started, and preliminary results indicate that the patterns of change illustrated in fig. 17 represents a significant change in our precipitation climate.

5.4 Snow cover

The hemispheric or global studies of snow cover based on satellite data cover only the time period from 1972 onwards, eg. Groisman et al. (1994) and Robinson et al. (1993). Three studies have analysed variations of snow cover in NACD-area (Førland, 1994c; Heino, 1994a and Drebs et al., in prep.). Figure 18 shows the smoothed variations in the standardized snow cover. The areas with less snow show greater relative fluctuations than the northern areas. The recent decades show decrease of snow cover, as does also the satellite data. However, fluctuations of similar size have occured also earlier during this century.

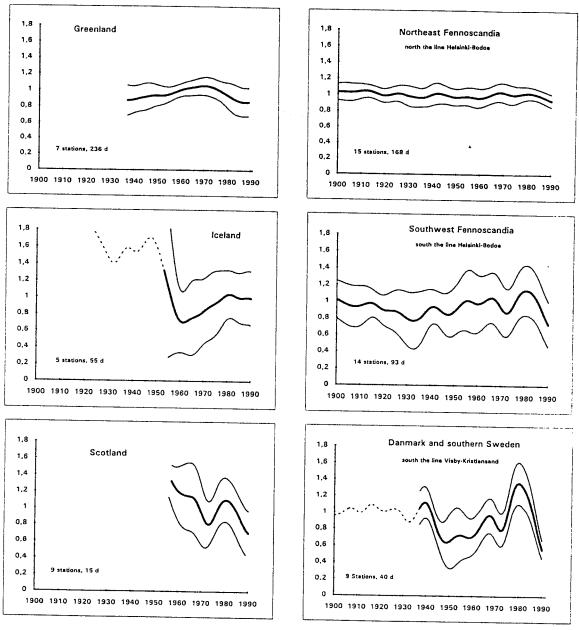


Figure 18 Smoothed time series of standardized snow cover duration. Standardization is done by dividing the series of twelve month (form July to June) number of snow cover days) by their respective 1961-90 average. The area mean normal value (in days) is given after the number of stations in the lower-left corner of each diagram. The mean curves are given with +/- one standard deviation (thin solid line). The mean curves of reduced number of stations are drawn with dashed line. Temporal smoothing was done with 3-sigma Gaussian filter.

5.5 Cloud cover

Studies of cloud cover trends have been reported by e.g. Kaas & Frich (1995), Frich (1994b&c), Jónsson (1994b) and Heino (1994c). The main conclusions are that the cloud cover over most of the North Atlantic region has increased during this century. A regional average of all 63 stations in NACD Version 1 over the period 1890-1990 is plotted in fig. 19.

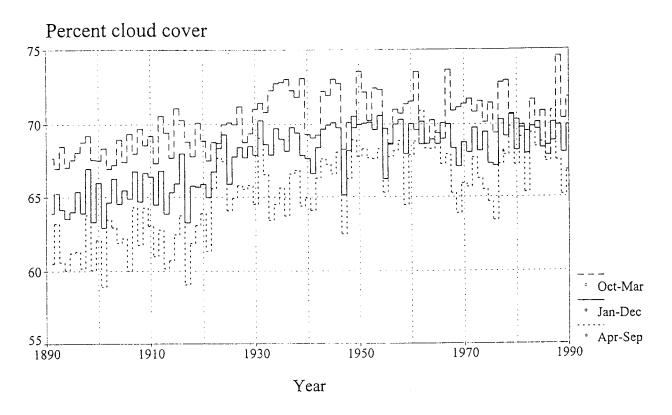


Figure 19 Annual and seasonal mean cloud cover over the period 1890-1990 for the whole NACD region. About 45 stations used 1890-1950 and about 60 stations used 1960-1990.(After Frich et al., in prep.)

All seasons show an apparent increasing trend in cloud cover over the period 1890 to 1990. A steady increase is observed during summer (JJA) of about 7 %, whereas the winter (DJF) increase is only about 3 %, mostly taking place during the 1920ies and 30ies. The decreasing standard deviation (not shown) over the past century could be real, but it is more likely reflecting the increasing number of observing stations, and the increasing spatial homogeneity of the time series included.

As most of the cloud cover series have not yet been homogeneity tested (status N, c.f. Appendix 2), these preliminary results may only have limited value. In order to validate the adjustments needed for change of observer bias, change of code bias, change of observation hour bias and change of spatial coverage bias, the adjusted cloud cover series will be compared with independently derived series of sunshine hours (c.f. Frich, 1994c). This task will require a considerable effort from the involved National Meteorological Services.

6.0 Future work

As stated in the introduction, a number of unforeseen results have emerged from the NACD project. One is the establishment of an informal European Climatic Data Consortium (ECDC). The other main results of this project, is the formulation of several new proposals, which will help to maintain the cooperation between the National Meteorological Services in Northern Europe. Some of the Nordic countries have obtained the economic support from their respective research councils at a very late stage of the project, which means that some results of the present project will be reported separately. There is however no doubt, that the NACD project has had a major impact already on the persons and institutions involved in the various work tasks. This impact will last for several years into the future.

As already mentioned, NACD represents the largets effort hitherto accomplished within the field of digitisation, homogenisation and analysis of a multi-elemental dataset in this part of the World. The methods and principles used for creating the dataset has been described in the present report. The following standards will be used by the National Meteorological Services in their future efforts to improve the quality of series included in NACD Version 1.

- 1) Standard station catalogue and data dictionary for monthly climatic data.
- 2) Standard exchange format for data and metadata.
- 3) Standard methods for homogeneity testing and adjustment of time series.

More than 100 reports and articles have already been published over the past few years as a result of this project. The following main findings with respect to climatic change in the NACD-area over the period 1890-1990 will be investigated further:

- 4) Temperature, cloud cover and precipitation has generally increased.
- 5) Pressure and snow cover has not changed significantly.
- 6) The observed changes are mainly restricted to the winter half year.

Several new findings may appear, when multi-elemental analysis of the whole dataset continues. The dataset has been, or will be used for a wide number of climate applications. Examples of the most obvious use of the dataset are:

- 7) Detection of climatic changes and attribution of these to anthropogenic causes.
- 8) Validation of other datasets and hindcasting of climatic elements not included.
- 9) Seasonal forecasting and climate predictions.
- 10) Statistical downscaling of future climatic changes.

Finally, it is foreseen that the results of this joint effort of the NACD-participants will have a major impact on future studies of the climate system in the Northern North Atlantic area. Ongoing, and future projects such as WASA, ADVICE, ACROSS, REWARD and CLIVAR will benefit considerably from the successfull international co-operation already demonstrated by the NACD-group.

6.1 European Climatic Data Consortium (ECDC)

The concept of a European Climatic Data Consortium (ECDC) was first introduced at the European Workshop on Climate Change in Majvik, Finland in May 1994 (Frich, 1994c) and reintroduced at the Vienna Workshop in February 1995. At both these meetings, a considerable number of European countries indicated their interest in the ECDC concept.

A number of initiatives have been taken both in Europe and world-wide over the past few years. The general purpose of these initiatives has been not only to collect more data, but to homogenise existing data and make it more easily available to the scientific community. The organisation of homogenised data series has so far not been discussed in a detailed manner.

One problem which faces us is of course that two or more versions of the original data series already exist in digital form in the various data centres around the World. The homogenisation procedure involves adjustments and corrections which should preferably relate to the original climatic data as it was first published in meteorological yearbooks. Quite often, the versions which already exist in Global or European data centres are based on other sources (e.g. World Weather Records, Monthly Climatic Data of the World and/or CLIMAT reports), or a mixture of these and other sources.

The ECDC has been set up as an INTERNET listserver ("The ECDC-switchboard") located at the Danish Meteorological Institute in Copenhagen.

The purpose of creating the ECDC-switchboard can be summarised as follows:

- 1. Communication of common standards
- 2. Requests for data and metadata.
- 3. Requests for co-authors to joint publications.
- 4. Invitations to seminars, workshops, meetings etc.
- 5. Distribution of electronic publications.
- 6. Distribution of homogeneous time series.

The ECDC-switchboard can be used by sending an E-mail to

ecdc@dmi.min.dk

The philosophy is that mail sent to the above address will be distributed to all of the registered users of the switchboard system. Presently there are 63 users from 28 countries, but several more people have indicated their interest and will register as users, once they have established E-mail addresses in their home countries. This will eventually raise the number of European countries to about 30. As the system is very open and flexible, it could in principle distribute E-mail to all countries in the World. In order to avoid too much irrelevant noise on the lines, it is also possible to define smaller user groups.

One such ECDC sub-group is well established, in order to make it easier for project members to communicate. This particular group of people are all contractors in the NACD project (EV5V CT93-0277). The members of the sub-group can be reached at:

ecdc.nacd@dmi.min.dk

Another sub-group has been set up after the International Conference on Past, Present and Future Climate in Helsinki, August 1995. This group consists of 17 persons interested in historical climatology and related proxydata. Contacts to only this sub-group can be made at:

ecdc.hist@dmi.min.dk

The ECDC-switchboard system makes use of already existing technology (INTERNET), and it is also independent of hard- and software at the respective national meteorological services (NMSs) and other data producing units.

At the moment, the standards of exchange of data are those of the NACD and therefore mainly valid for monthly values. The exchange of daily values and/or observations is however also possible in restricted quantities.

This system is not considered the ultimate goal of an integration of data into a real distributed database or a perfect Client/Server solution. However, this scheme is the most pragmatic solution at the moment to circumvent many of the controversial questions. It allows for the exchange of climatic data in a standard format between different systems of data storage.

One of the advantages of this present system is, that it allows a continued exchange of messages in clear text and data in standard ASCII-format. The system is flexible in two ways:

- Data producers can send their data to all users at once with no restrictions on the use of data except proper references.
- 2) Data users can request data from all users at once and obtain data directly from the data producers according to individual bilateral agreements.

The advantage of such a system is, that updating, adjustment and homogenisation can continue at the data producing entity, and therefore data users will always get the newest version of the data. It is obvious, that the habit of homogenisation has come to stay, so for the time being, it is not adviceable to collect more data in any database before the heterogeneous series have been adjusted by the people in charge at each individual NMS or university.

It is envisaged that the ECDC could evolve into a dynamic data centre (i.e. a consortium or network of persons and institutions), which improves our ability to detect climatic changes when and if they occur. In the meantime, discussions should continue on how and when adjustments of climatic time series should be made. It is of special concern, how adjustments made by national meteorological services using all available metadata, should be communicated to the Global data centres. A kind of distributed database system could be a solution to this problem, and hopefully the ECDC-Listserver can demonstrate the advantages of a relatively simple, non-bureaucratic and inexpensive system.

It should be recognized that the ECDC-switchboard system will be used for both data and metadata exchange after the cessation of this project. The updating of the dataset has not been finally decided, as a number of administrative problems are still unsolved.

6.2 New projects

The following projects can be regarded as extensions of or complementary to the present project, and have obtained funding from the respective Environment Programmes of the European Commission and the Nordic Council of Ministers:

Acronym	Co-ordinator	Purpose
WASA	Hans von Storch/DKRZ	Analyse waves and storms in the Northeast Atlantic.
ADVICE	Trevor Davies/CRU	Analyse climatic variability in Europe.
REWARD	Eirik Førland/DNMI	Analyse relation between circulation and extremes.
ACROSS	Povl Frich/DMI	Analyse atmospheric and oceanic circulation.

All four projects are somehow inter-related, and the co-operative spirit from the NACD project will be continued, as will the exhange of know how and data.

7.0 Conclusions

The main result of this project has been the production of the first digital version of the North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1), consisting of 388 individual time series of air temperature, air pressure, precipitation, days with snow cover and cloud cover. Preliminary analysis of the homogenised dataset has shown that air temperature, cloud cover and precipitation have increased, whereas air pressure and days with snow cover have remained basically unchanged over the period 1890-1990. Other main results can be summarised as:

- 1) The importance of homogenisation of climatic time series has been widely recognized.
- 2) Multi-element approach to climatic change studies has been generally accepted
- 3) Standard data dictionary for monthly climatic data has been defined.
- 4) Standard exchange format for monthly data has been implemented.
- 5) Standard metadata format for climatic time series has been suggested.
- 6) Co-ordination of climatic change studies on a wider European level has been initiated.
- 7) New techniques for detection of climatic change have been investigated.
- 8) Improved understanding of causal factors in climatic change studies has been achieved.
- 9) Several new proposals for future North Atlantic climate studies have been formulated.

This project has fully demonstrated the need for a homogenisation of the observational data, when time series for regional climate analysis is considered. The project has also demonstrated the extent of the required effort not only to digitise the data, but certainly also the effort that has been put into the project nationally - because of local language differences - to extract the metadata from the various sources. The various national contributions to this project should not be underestimated and it should be realized, that the successfull completion of this project has required considerable sacrifice from all persons and institutions involved.

More than 100 reports and articles have been published over the past few years, as a result of this project. It is concluded, that this project will have a lasting impact on the persons and institutions involved in the project. We modestly think, that this co-operative project has been a good example to the rest of Europe and other regions around the World, as a solution to the problem of detecting climatic change. The interest already shown by other researchers has been a constant encouragement throughout the project, and we think that both the selection of stations, time period and climatic elements will secure a wider use of this dataset.

A new interesting use of this dataset will be in the field of making seasonal climate outlooks for Northern Europe. A homogenous dataset is of crucial importance for a reliable statistical model, which can be used for planning socio-economic activities months and years ahead. One major obstacle to achieve this goal is the problem of updating this dataset.

We do however think that NACD Version 1 forms a solid basis for future work in this direction. But, even NACD Version 1, - despite the huge effort to construct a reliable dataset -, will have to be revised in the near future, as more data are digitised, homogeneity testing proceeds and more metadata appears from the national archives. We must therefore warn against collecting this dataset and other historical data in a central database on either European or Global level without recognizing, that the most adequate system is a distributed database, firmly based in each national meteorological service, which can secure the quality of observations, the homogeneity of time series and dissemination of results to the public.

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Appendix 2 NACD Version 1, Station Catalogue

The NACD station catalogue describes the most recent number, name, position, altitude and status of the station data in the NACD. It is assumed, that all stations are still operating. A copy of the station catalogue is enclosed on diskette # 1. All variables are separated by blanks. Missing station numbers: -9999. The station catalogue is sorted by element number, country code and national station number.

Position	Format	Variable
1-5	15	Nat_no. = National number, any system
7-9	A3	Country = Country code (see description below)
11-15	I5	WMOno. = Official station number from WMO INFOCLIMA
17-36	A20	Name = Official name of station
38-44	I2+I2+A1	Latitude = Degrees and minutes N or S
46-53	I3+I2+A1	Longitude = Degrees and minutes E or W
55-58	I4	Altitude = Height above mean sea level in meters
60-63	I4	Start = Start year of station (any element)
65-67	13	Element = Element no. from data dictionary
69-72	I 4	Begin = First year of element in data file
74-74	A1	Status = Status of element in data file (see description below)
Status cod	e	Description
Н		Homogenous, rigourously tested and maybe adjusted
T N		Tested, maybe adjusted but not perfectly homogenous Not tested, but not necessarily inhomogenous
E		Environmental changes prevents climatic change studies
I		Inhomogenous series which is presently unadjustable
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DK		Denmark
FIN		Finland
FR G		Faroe Islands Greenland
GB		Great Britain
IRL		Ireland
IS		Iceland
N		Norway
NL		Netherlands
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Appendix 3 NACD Version 1, Data Dictionary

Bold elements are included in the dataset. A copy of the data dictionary is enclosed on diskette # 1.

No.	Element Unit		
000	All elements / whole station		ALL
100 101	Air temperature Mean temperature	0.1 °C	Tair T
111 112 113 114 115	Maximum temperature Mean maximum temperature Highest maximum temperature Day of Th No. of ice days (Tmax < 0 °C) No. of summer days (Tmax > 25 °C) No. of hot days (Tmax > 40 °C)	0.1 °C 0.1 °C 0.1 °C date days days	Tmax Tx Th Thd Id Su Hd
121 122 123 124	Minimum temperature Mean minimum temperature Lowest minimum temperature Day of Tl No. of cold days (Tmin < -10 °C) No. of days with frost (Tmin < 0 °C) No. of tropical nights (Tmin > 20 °C)	0.1 °C 0.1 °C 0.1 °C date days days days	Tmin Tn Tl Tld Cd Fd Tr
131 132 133	Growing degree days (sum of Tday > 4 °C)	0.1 K 0.1 K 0.1 K 0.1 K	DGD HGD GGD MGD FGD
	Mean temperature at 5 UTC Mean temperature at 6 UTC Mean temperature at 7 UTC Mean temperature at 8 UTC Mean temperature at 9 UTC, Mean temperature at 10 UTC Mean temperature at 11 UTC Mean temperature at 12 UTC Mean temperature at 13 UTC	0.1 °C	T00 T01 T02 T03 T04 T05 T06 T07 T08 T09 T10 T11 T12 T13 T14

No.	Element	Unit	Abbr.
165	Mean temperature at 15 UTC	0.1 °C	T15
166	Mean temperature at 16 UTC	0.1 °C	T16
167	Mean temperature at 17 UTC	0.1 °C	T17
168	Mean temperature at 18 UTC	0.1 °C	T18
169	Mean temperature at 19 UTC	0.1 °C	T19
170	Mean temperature at 20 UTC	0.1 °C	T20
171	Mean temperature at 21 UTC	0.1 °C	T21
172	Mean temperature at 22 UTC	0.1 °C	T22
173	Mean temperature at 23 UTC	0.1 °C	T23
200 Air	humidity		HUM
201	Mean relative humidity	%	RH
202	Mean daytime relative humidity (6-18 local time)	%	RHD
203	Mean nighttime relative humidity (18-6 local time)	%	RHN
210	Mean vapour pressure	hPa	VP
215	Mean potential evapotranspiration	0.1 mm/d	EVAP
220	Mean wetbulb temperature	0.1 °C	WT
230	Mean dewpoint temperature	0.1 °C	DT
240	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	g/m**3	AH
250	Mean relative humidity at 0 UTC	%	RH00
251		%	RH01
252	Mean relative humidity at 2 UTC	%	RH02
253		%	RH03
254	Mean relative humidity at 4 UTC	%	RH04
255	Mean relative humidity at 5 UTC	%	RH05
256		%	RH06
257	Mean relative humidity at 7 UTC	%	RH07
258	Mean relative humidity at 8 UTC	%	RH08
259	Mean relative humidity at 9 UTC	%	RH09
260	Mean relative humidity at 10 UTC	%	RH10
261		%	RH11
262	•	%	RH12
263	•	%	RH13
264	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	%	RH14
265	•	%	RH15
266	•	%	RH16
267	•	%	RH17
268	•	%	RH18
269	•	% .	RH19
270	•	% 0/	RH20
271	•	%	RH21
272	•	% 0/	RH22
273	Mean relative humidity at 23 UTC	%	RH23

No.	Element	Unit	Abbr.
300	Wind	,	WIN
310 311	Wind direction Frequency of N winds $(338 \le D \text{ or } D \le 22)$	deg. N %	D DN
311	Frequency of NE winds (23 \leq D \leq 67)	%	DNE
313	Frequency of E winds $(68 \le D \le 112)$	%	DE
314	Frequency of SE winds (113 \leq D \leq 157)	%	DSE
315	Frequency of S winds (158 \leq D \leq 202)	%	DS
316	Frequency of SW winds $(203 \le D \le 247)$	%	DSW
317	Frequency of W winds $(248 \le D \le 292)$	%	DW
318	Frequency of NW winds (293 \leq D \leq 337)	%	DNW
319	Frequency of calm $(F \le 1 \text{ m/s})$	%	D0
320	Most frequent wind direction	code 1-9	DD
330	Wind speed	m/s ·	F
331	Mean wind speed	m/s	FF
332	No. of windy days $(F \ge 11 \text{ m/s})$	days	F11
333	No. of stormy days ($F \ge 21 \text{ m/s}$)	days	F21
334	No. of days with storm (F \geq 26 m/s)	days	F26
335	No. of days with hurricane ($F \ge 31 \text{ m/s}$)	days	F31
400	Air pressure (reduced to MSL, 45 °N, 0 °C)		PPP
400	All pressure (reduced to MSE, 45 11, 0 C)		111
400	Mean pressure	0.1 hPa	P
	Mean pressure Maximum pressure	0.1 hPa	P Px
401 410 411	Mean pressure Maximum pressure Day of maximum air pressure	0.1 hPa date	P Px Pxd
401 410 411 420	Mean pressure Maximum pressure Day of maximum air pressure Minimum pressure	0.1 hPa date 0.1 hPa	P Px Pxd Pn
401 410 411 420 421	Mean pressure Maximum pressure Day of maximum air pressure Minimum pressure Day of minimum air pressure	0.1 hPa date 0.1 hPa date	P Px Pxd Pn Pnd
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N	No.	Element	Unit	Abbr.
	468	Mean pressure at 18 UTC	0.1 hPa	P18
	469	-	0.1 hPa	P19
	470	•	0.1 hPa	P20
	471	•	0.1 hPa	P21
	472	•	0.1 hPa	P22
	473	-	0.1 hPa	P23
5	500	Sunshine / radiation		SUN
	501	Hours of bright sunshine (SUN \geq 200 w/m ²)	hours	S
	502	Maximum daily sunshine (SUN $\geq 200 \text{ w/m}^2$)	0.1 hours	Sx
	503	Day of Sx	date	Sxd
	550	Global radiation	w/m²	GR
ϵ	600	Precipitation	•	RRR
	601	Precipitation sum	0.1 mm	R
	602	J 1 1	0.1 mm	Rx
	603	Day of Rx	date	Rxd
	604	No. of days with RRR ≥ 0.1 mm	days	R01
	605	No. of days with RRR ≥ 1 mm	days	R1
	606	No. of days with RRR $\geq 10 \text{ mm}$	days	R10
	607	No. of days with snow falling (RRR* \geq 0.1 mm)	days	Sn
7	700	Weather		www
	701	(days	dsc
		No. of days with fog (vis. < 1 km)	days	dfg
		No. of days with thunder	days	dtd
		No. of days with hail	days	dhl
		No. of days with Aurora Borealis	days	dab
		No. of days with freezing rain	days	dfr
	707	•	days	dsl
	708	No. of days with drizzle	days	ddr
	709	No. of days with rain	days	dr
8	300	Cloud cover		NNN
	801	Mean cloud cover	%	N
	802		days	Kv
	803	No. of cloudy days (NNN > 80 %)	days	Sv
	850	Mean cloud cover at 0 UTC	%	N00
	851	Mean cloud cover at 1 UTC	%	N01
	852	Mean cloud cover at 2 UTC	%	N02
	853	Mean cloud cover at 3 UTC	%	N03
	854	Mean cloud cover at 4 UTC	%	N04
	855 856	Mean cloud cover at 5 UTC	%	N05
	856		%	N06
	857	Mean cloud cover at 7 UTC	%	N07

No.	Element	Unit	Abbr.
858	Mean cloud cover at 8 UTC	%	N08
859	Mean cloud cover at 9 UTC	%	N09
860	Mean cloud cover at 10 UTC	%	N10
861	Mean cloud cover at 11 UTC	%	N11
862	Mean cloud cover at 12 UTC	%	N12
863	Mean cloud cover at 13 UTC	%	N13
864	Mean cloud cover at 14 UTC	%	N14
865	Mean cloud cover at 15 UTC	%	N15
866	Mean cloud cover at 16 UTC	%	N16
867	Mean cloud cover at 17 UTC	%	N17
868	Mean cloud cover at 18 UTC	%	N18
869	Mean cloud cover at 19 UTC	%	N19
870	Mean cloud cover at 20 UTC	%	N20
871	Mean cloud cover at 21 UTC	%	N21
872	Mean cloud cover at 22 UTC	%	N22
873	Mean cloud cover at 23 UTC	%	N23
900	Snow depth		SSS
901	Mean snow depth	cm	SDm
902	Maximum snow depth	cm	SDx
903	Day of maximum snow depth	date	SDxd
904	Snow depth on 15th	cm	SD15
905	Snow depth on the last day of the month	cm	SDI

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Appendix 4 NACD Version 1, Data Exchange Standard

NACD Version 1 consist of 5 ASCII files enclosed on diskettes 1 and 2, where each record contains data from one year in the following fixed format:

Postion	Format	Description	
1-5 6-8	I5 I3		amber (see appendix 2 Station Catalogue) see appendix 3 Data Dictionary)
9-12	I4	Year	oc appoints 2 and 2 is is in a joint of the control
13-17	15		t as in appendix 3 Data Dictionary)
18-22	15	February value	do
23-27	15	March value	do
28-32	I5	April value	do
33-37	15	May value	do
38-42	15	June value	do
43-47	15	July value	do
48-52	15	August value	do
53-57	15	September value	do
58-62	15	October value	do
63-67	15	November value	do
68-72	15	December value	do
73-75	A3	Country code (see	appendix 2 Station Catalogue)

Missing value: -9999

No blanks included, except leading blanks.

No missing years between start and end of data series.

Appendix 5 NACD Version 1, Metadata Exchange System

ASCII file (example enclosed on diskette # 1), where each record contains information about one station and one element for each period of comparable conditions, as defined by start and end date.

Position	Format	Description	Note
1-5	I 5	Station number	see appendix 2 Station Catalogue
6-8	13	Element number	see appendix 3 Data Dictionary
9-16	18	Start date	YYYYMMDD, where MM and DD are optional
17-24	18	End date	YYYYMMDD, where MM and DD are optional
25-26	I2	Type of metadata	01-12, see description below
27-28	A2	Adjustment made	AB, AT, MB, MT or NO, see description below
29-32	F4	January value	F4 means free-field format
33-36	F4	February value	do
37-40	F4	March value	do
41-44	F4	April value	do
45-48	F4	May value	do
49-52	F4	June value	do
53-56	F4	July value	do
57-60	F4	August value	do
61-64	F4	September value	do
65-68	F4	October value	do
69-72	F4	November value	do
73-76	F4	December value	do
77-78	A2	Source of metadata	See description below

If NO adjustment is made, the 12 monthly adjustment fields are turned into a textfield (A48), which can be used for writing any kind of metadata in clear text, according to the following 12 types:

Type Abbr.		Explanation			
01	pos_h	Hor	Iorizontal position, e.g. latitude longitude.		
02 pos_v Ver			ertical position, e.g. height above sea level, height above ground.		
03	observ	Observers name or type of observation personnel.			
04	obshour	Observation hours in either local time and/or UTC.			
05	instrum	Instrument type, type of screen, code system for visual observations, etc.			
			it of original observations + later changes (e.g. $N\% = N*1.25$).		
07	formula	Formula for calculating published monthly values (e.g. $T = (Tx+Tn)/2$)			
08	environ	Environmental conditions, e.g. urban, forest, angles to horizon etc.			
09	time_s	Time series constructed from older station numbers, or periods interpolated.			
10	calcul	Calculations performed after original publication (e.g. pressure reduced to MSL			
11	homogen				ed (e.g. SNHT, reference stations and results).
12	adjust	Adjustments made to original series (e.g. 12 monthly adjustment factors)			
Adjustments made			de: AB addition, break		MB multiplication, break
			AT addition, trend		MT multiplication, trend
Sources of metadata:			MY	=	Meteorological Yearbook
			OL	=	Original observation List
			CP	=	Correspondance Protocol
			IP	=	Instrument Protocol
			IR	=	Inspection Report
			OS	=	Other Sources

Appendix 6 North Atlantic Climatological Dataset (NACD Version 1)

NACD Version 1 is published together with this report and proper reference should always be made to this report, when using this dataset. New versions of the dataset may be published in the future, or updates may be obtained directly from the participating National Meteorological Services (see Chapter 6.1, European Climatic Data Consortium (ECDC) or Appendix 1, List of Participants) through bilateral or multilateral agreements. The following 4 standard agreements may be used:

- 1) Agreement of understanding between DMI and ... (c.f. Jonsson et al, 1993)
- 2) ECSN, Memorandum Of Understanding.
- 3) ECOMET (to be specified).
- 4) EUMETNET (to be specified).

NACD Version 1 is enclosed on 2 diskettes as 5 uncompressed ASCII files. For details on station catalogue, data dictionary and data format, please consult appendices 2-4.

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