

# DATA SOURCES AND STATION HOMOGENISATION

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# DATA SOURCES

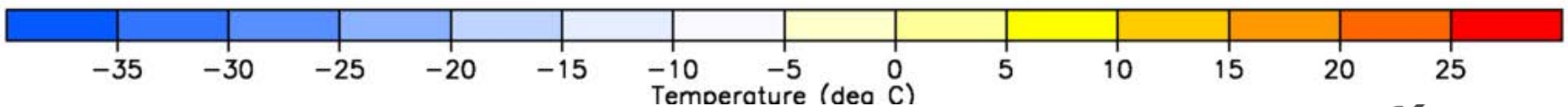
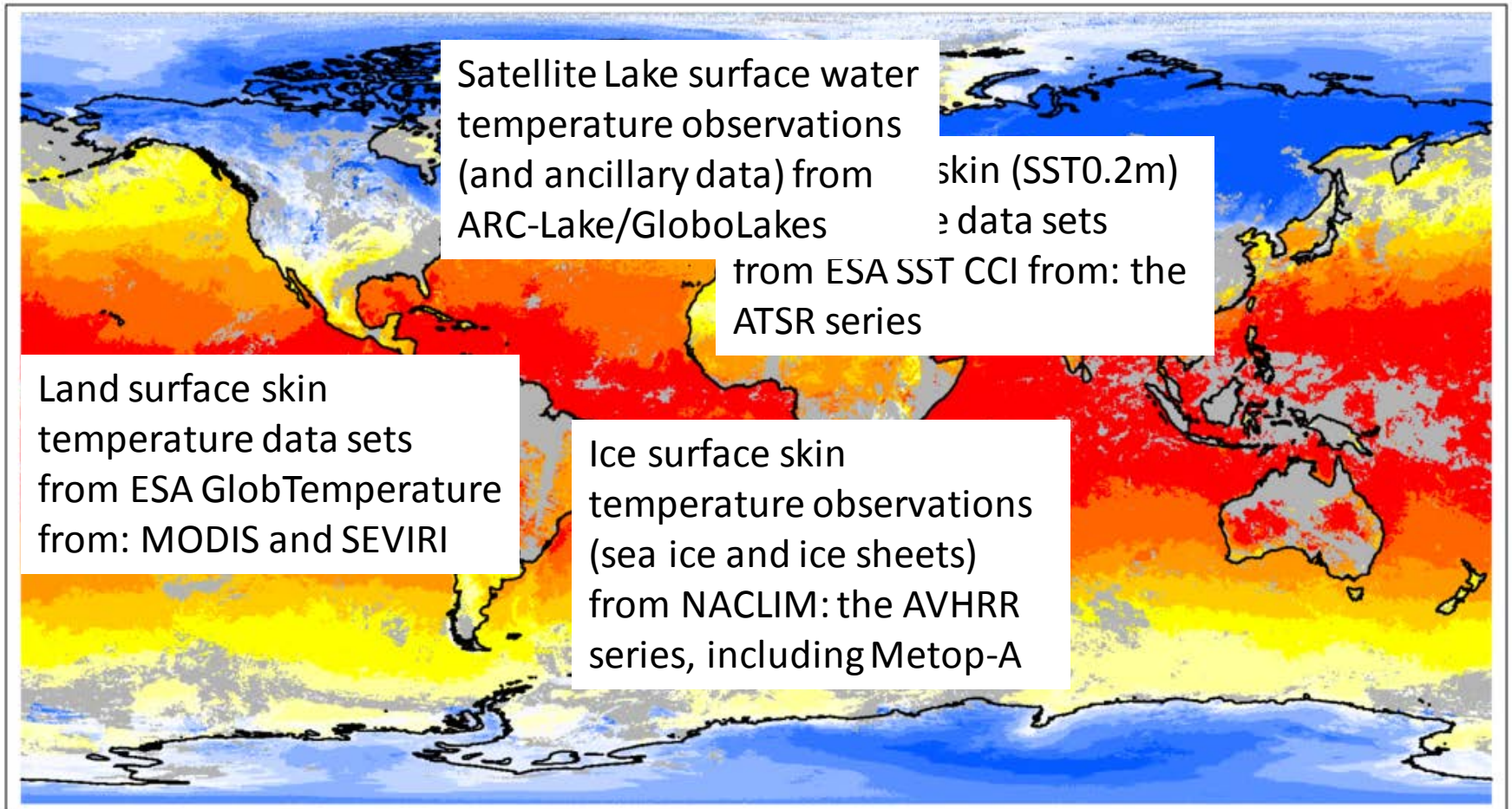
Satellite and in situ observations we will use



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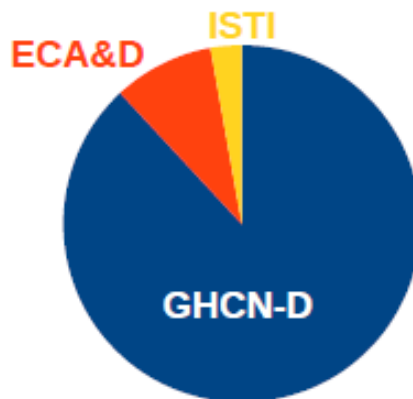
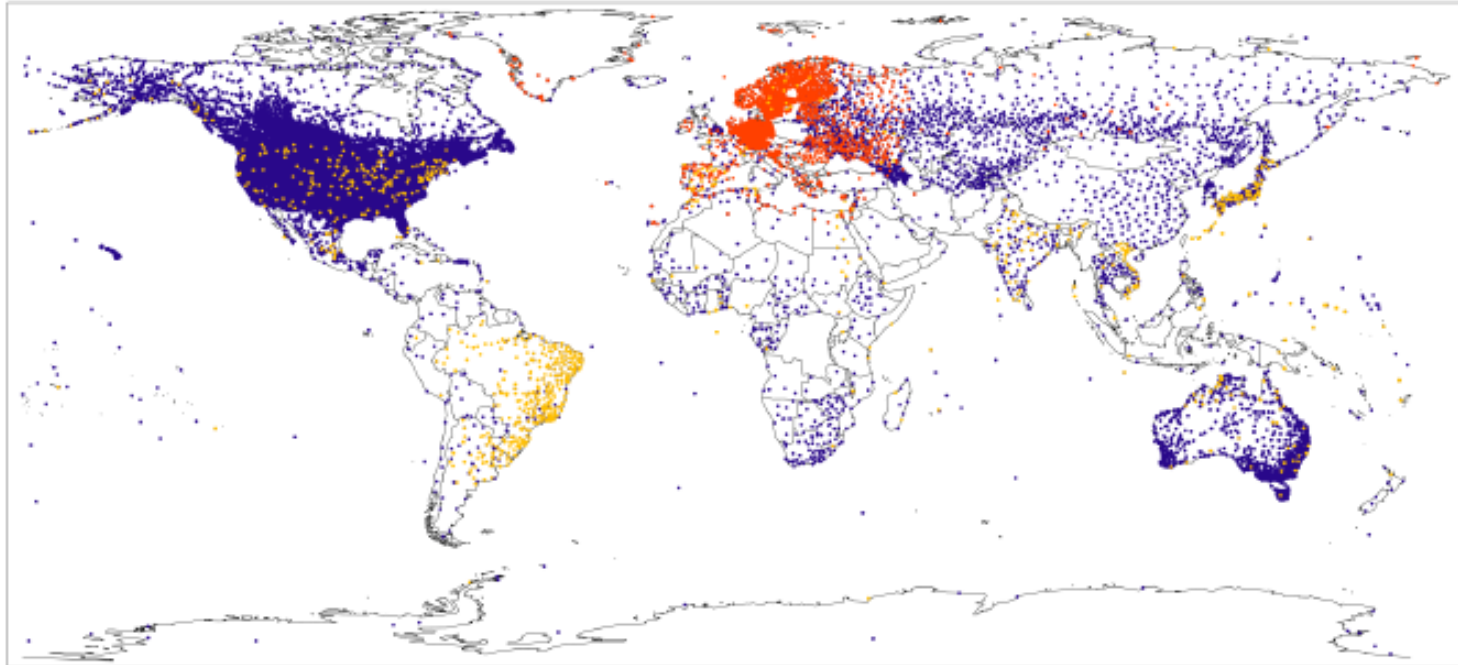


# SATELLITE OBSERVATIONS (TSKIN)



# Data Sources

TEST DATASET



**33'511** stations

(32'041 Tmax + 32'265 Tmin)

(Data are stored on EUSTACE workspace  
in a common ASCII and NetCDF format)

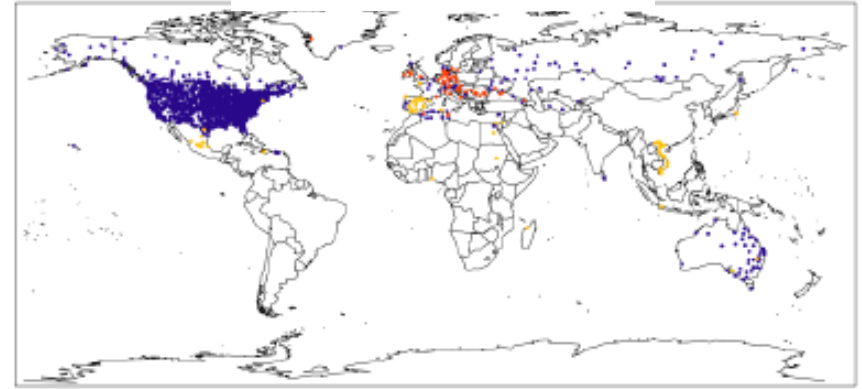
# Temporal availability

TEST DATASET

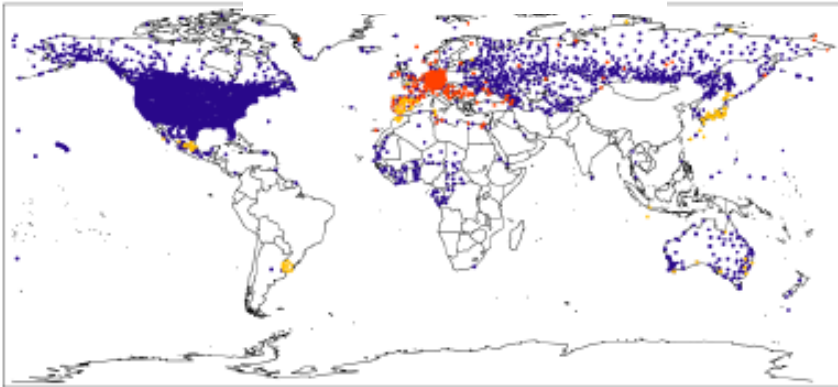
1850, 11 stations



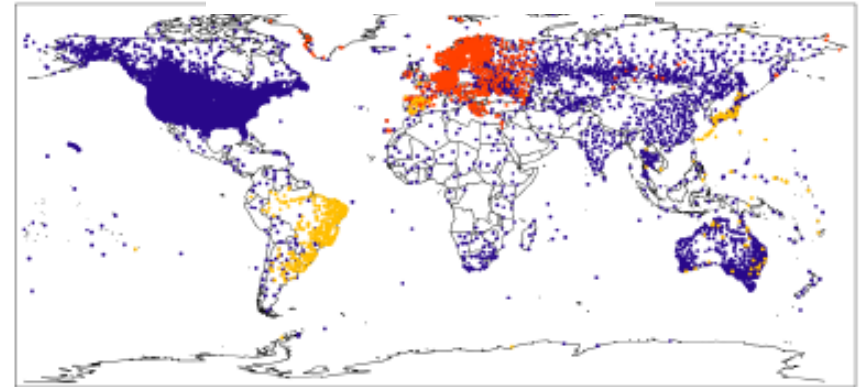
1900, 1872 stations



1950, 6407 stations



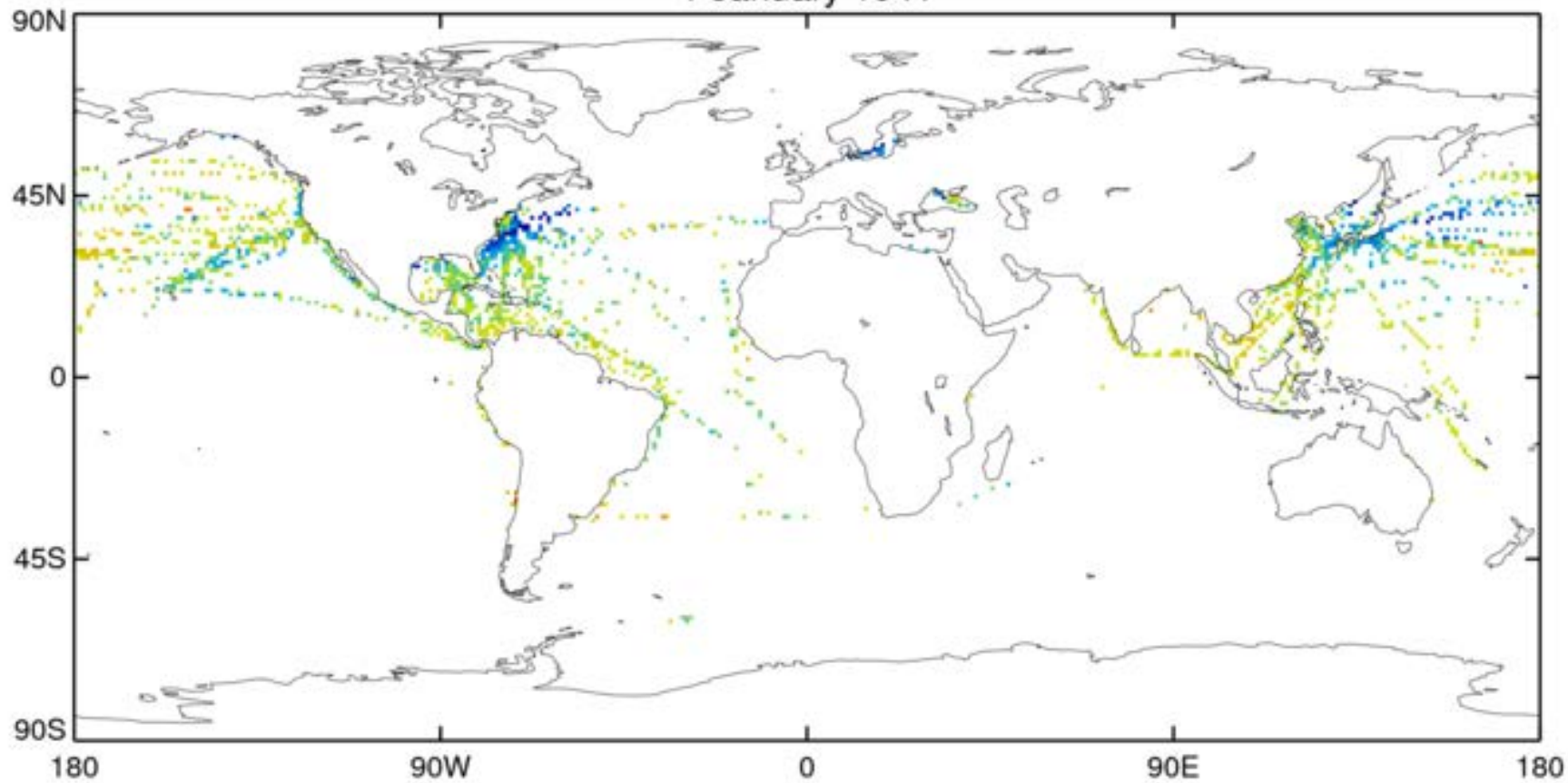
2000, 12876 stations





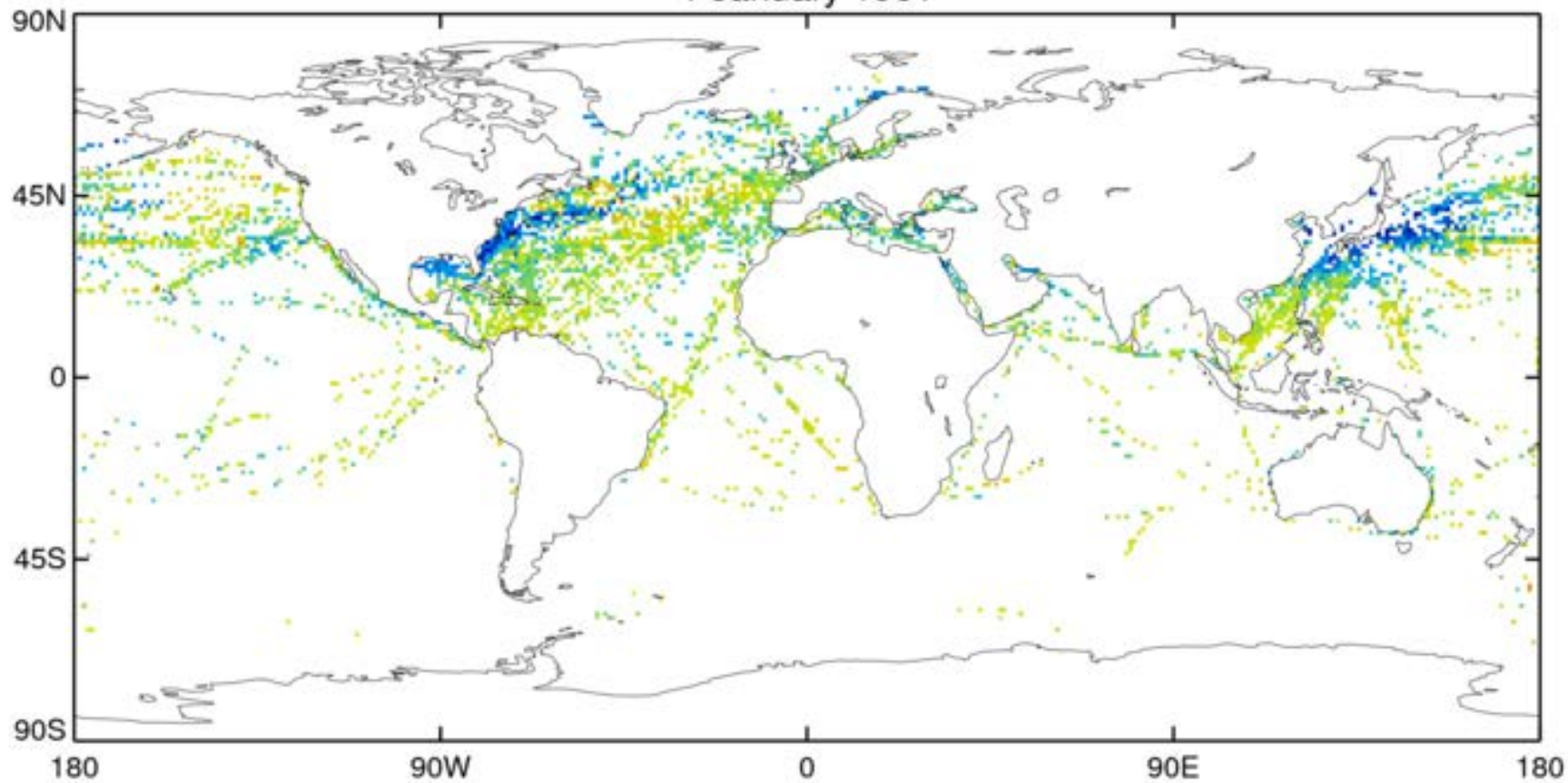
# Ship observations

1 January 1941



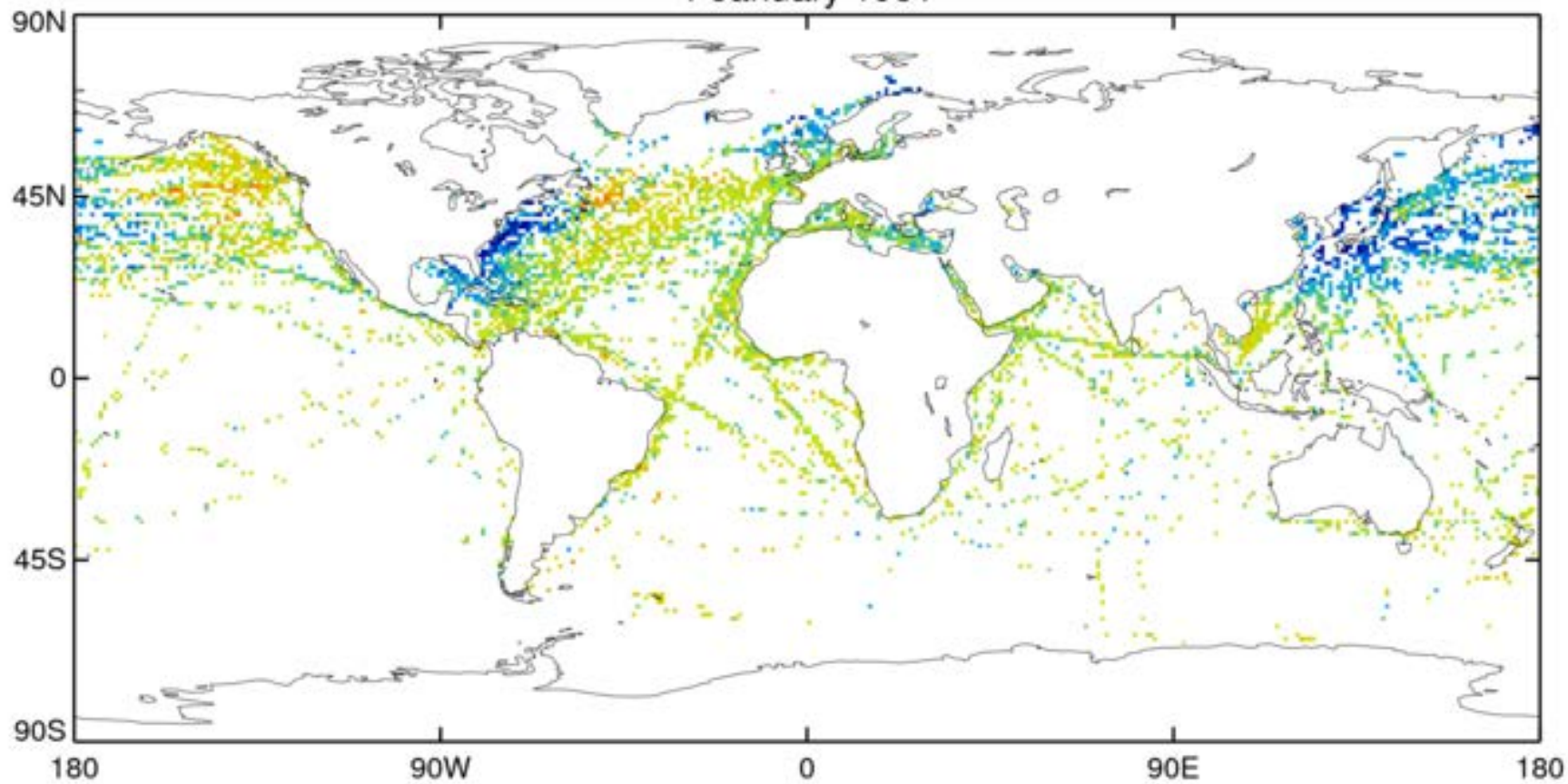
# Ship observations

1 January 1961



# Ship observations

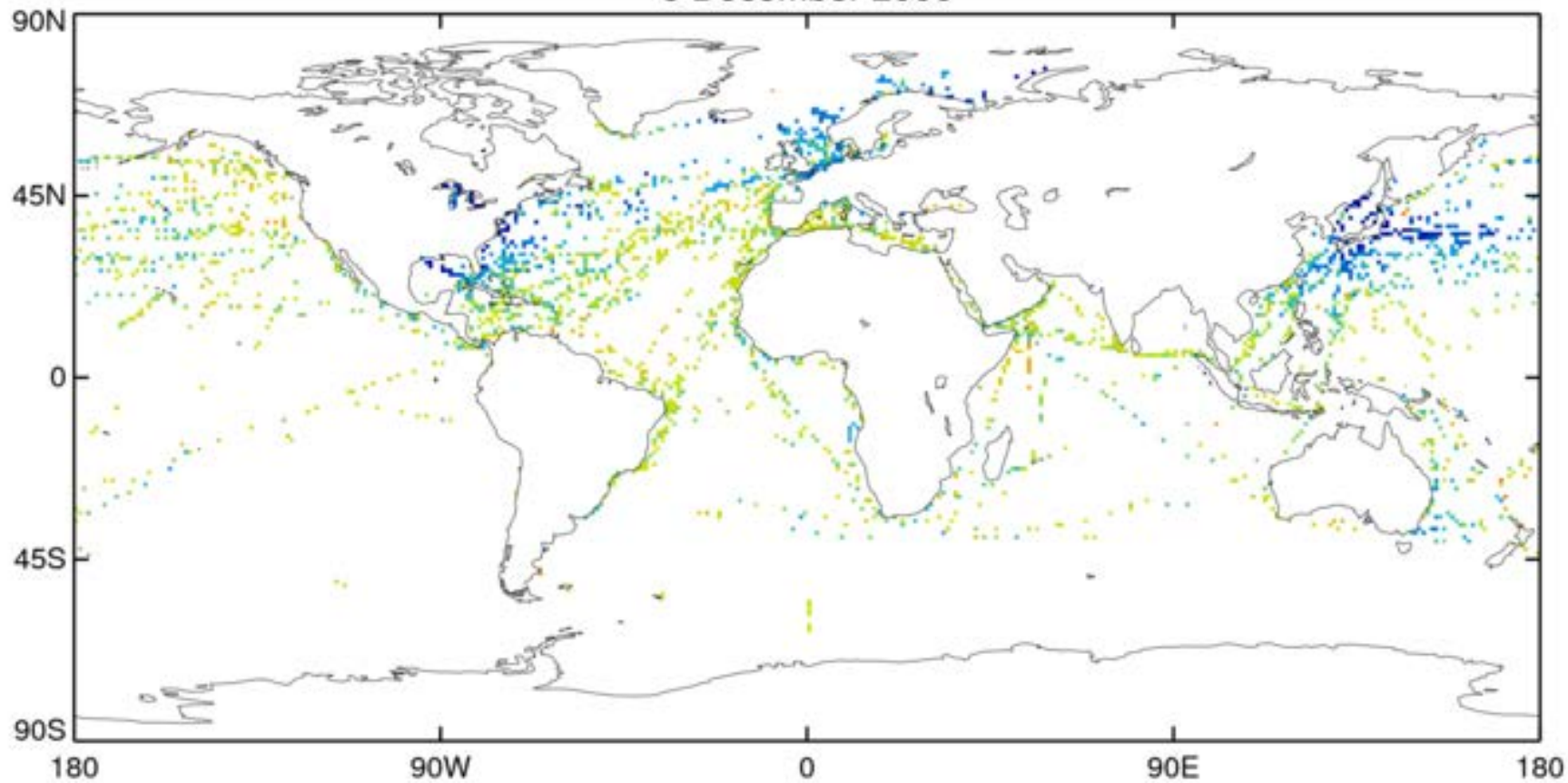
1 January 1981





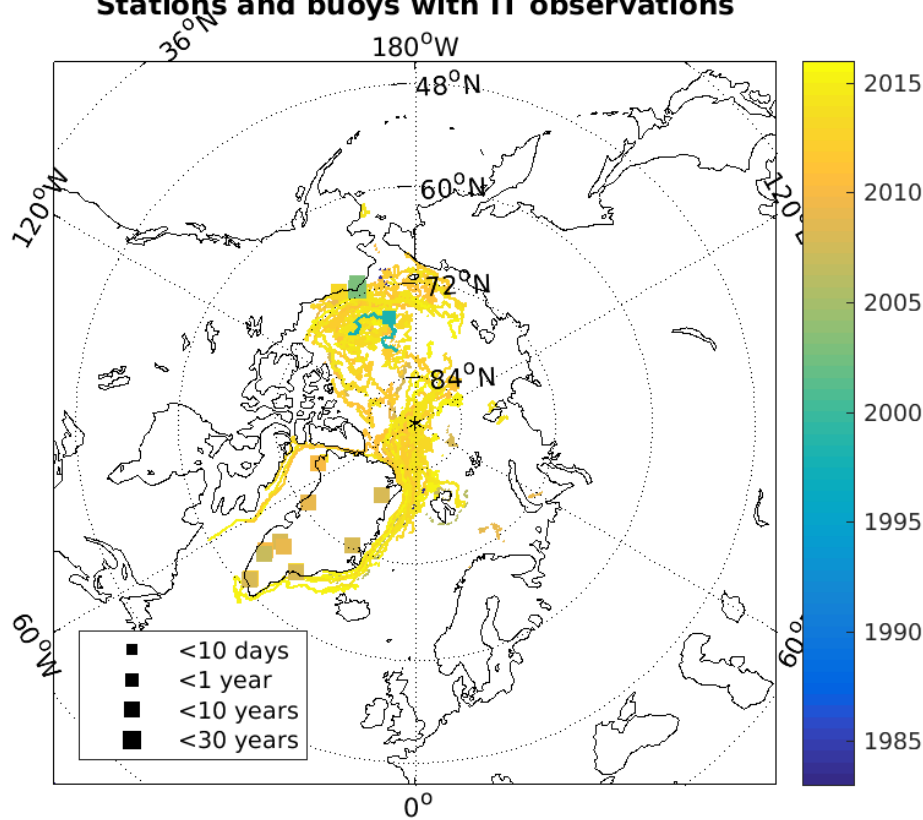
# Ship observations

6 December 2000

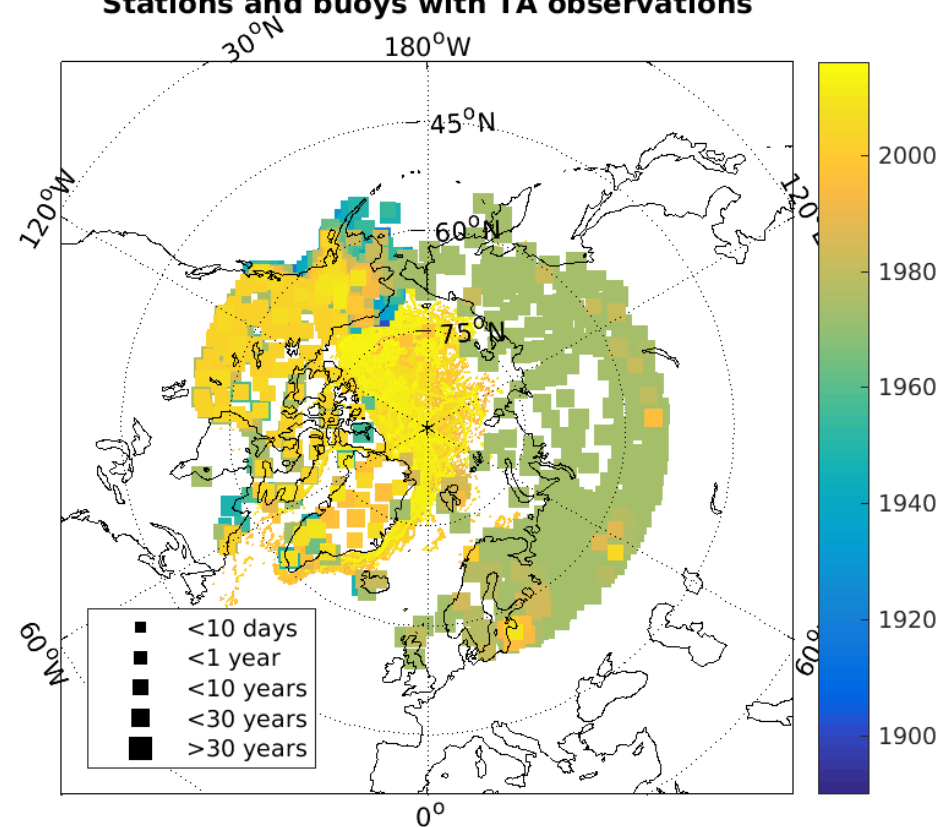


# NORTHERN HEMISPHERE

Stations and buoys with IT observations



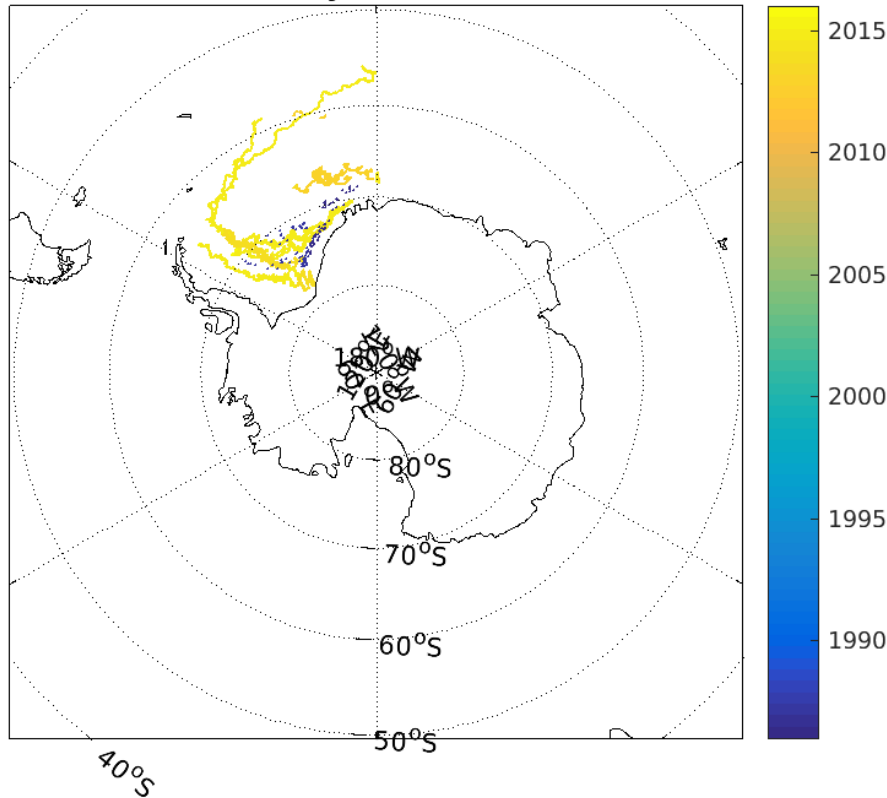
Stations and buoys with TA observations



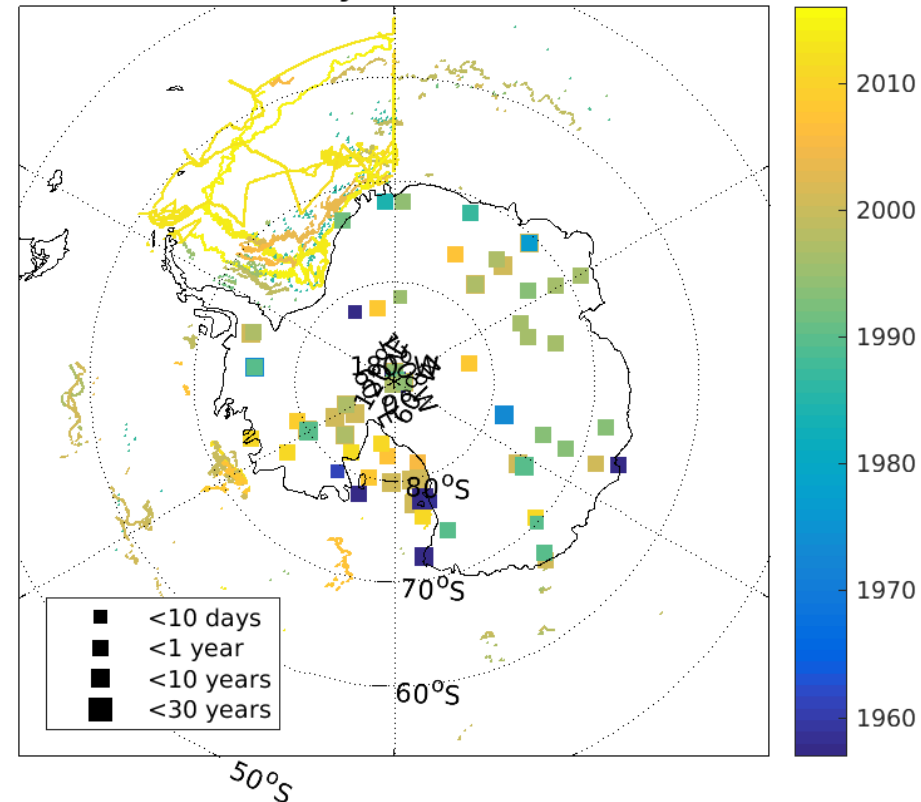
Overview of stations with surface temperature (IT) and air temperature (TA) observations in Arctic. The color determines the starting year of observations, while the marker size defines the length of period with observations.

# SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE

Stations and buoys with IT observations



Stations and buoys with TA observations



Overview of stations with surface temperature (IT) and air temperature (TA) observations in Antarctica. The color determines the starting year of observations, while the marker size defines the length of period with observations. Currently, the data set lacks observations of IT by land stations in Antarctica.

# IDENTIFYING NON-CLIMATIC DISCONTINUITIES IN LAND STATION DATA

“Break detection”



# AIMING FOR

- Global station data set with discontinuities/break points identified, where possible
- European station data set with discontinuities/break points removed

# Break detection

D1.7 : Global LSAT dataset with discontinuities identified where possible [24]

The algorithm used for the detection of discontinuities (or breakpoints) is adapted from *Kuglitsch et al. (2012)*.

CANDIDATE STATION  
(Basel Binningen)

Annual and  
semi-annual means  
(pairwise detection)

$n$  CORRELATED  
REFERENCE  
STATIONS

## 3 DETECTION METHODS

Caussinus-Mestre  
RHtests  
GAHMDI

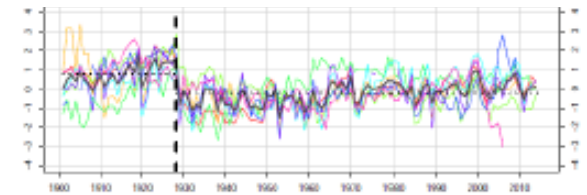
combined:  
a discontinuity is  
significant if confirmed  
by at least

3 reference stations  
using at least  
2 of the methods

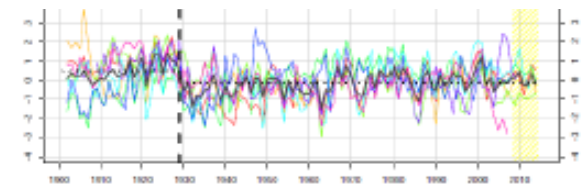
Delivered breakpoints Basel:

1916 and 1928

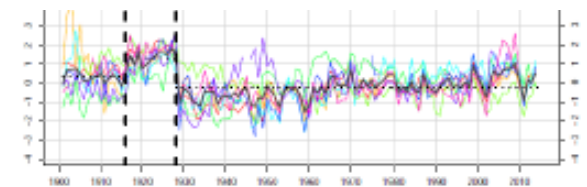
Yearly standardised differences from reference series (Tmin)



October-March standardised differences from reference series (Tmin)

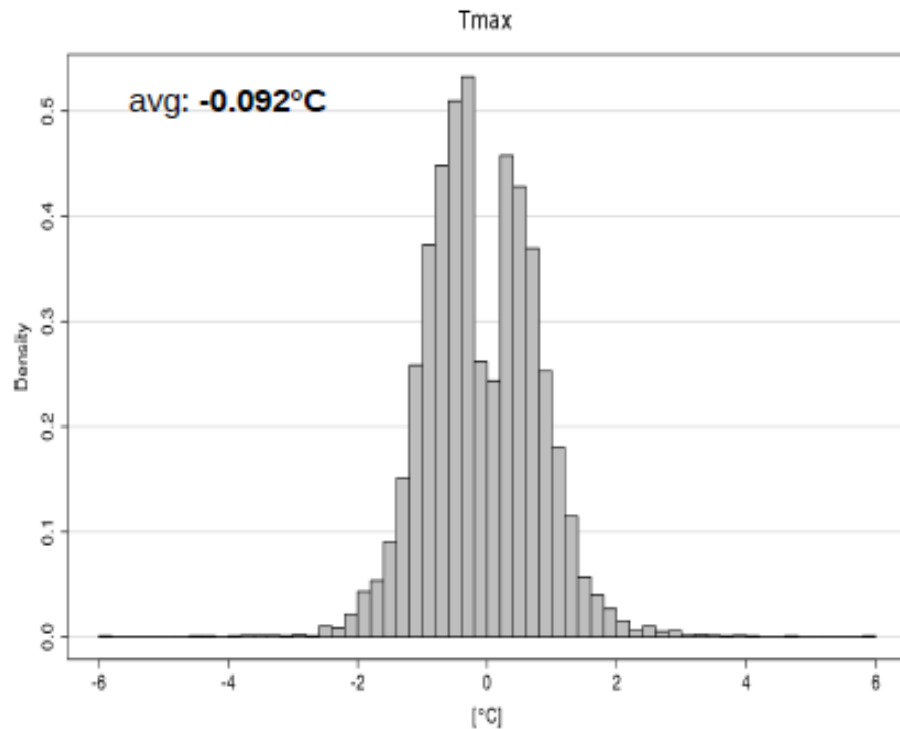


April-September standardised differences from reference series (Tmin)

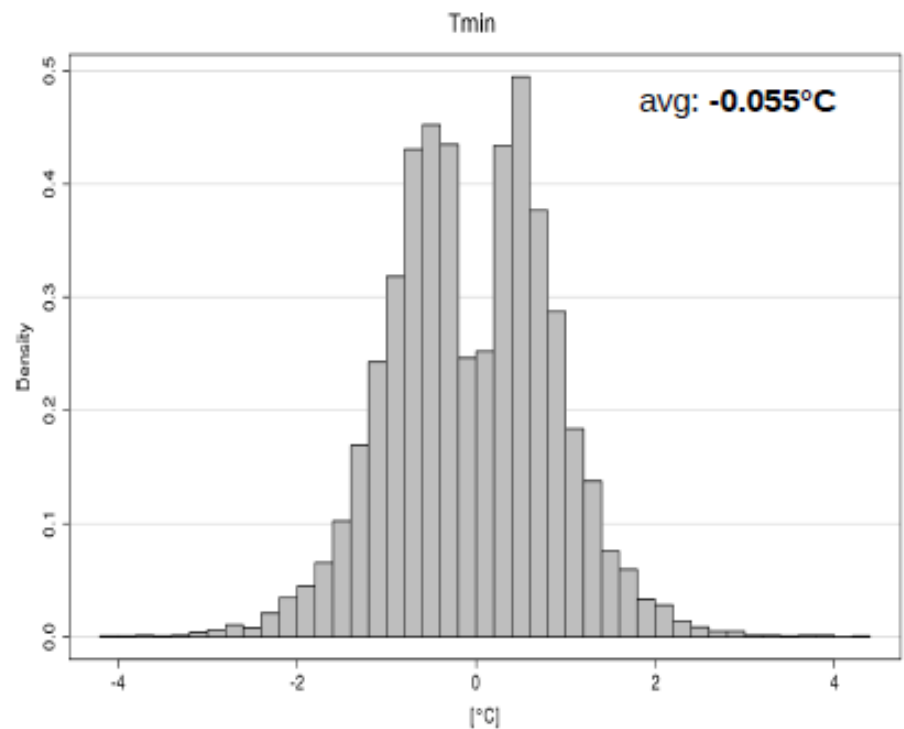


# Break detection

Amplitude of the inhomogeneities  
in the test dataset



winter **-0.137°C**  
summer **-0.094°C**



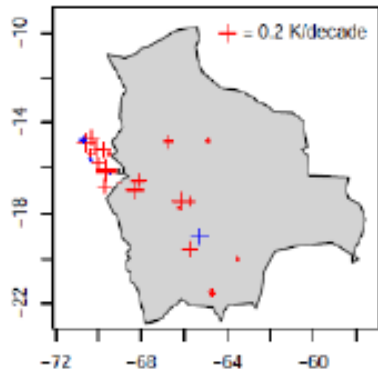
winter **-0.078°C**  
summer **-0.045°C**

Negative = overestimation before the breakpoint

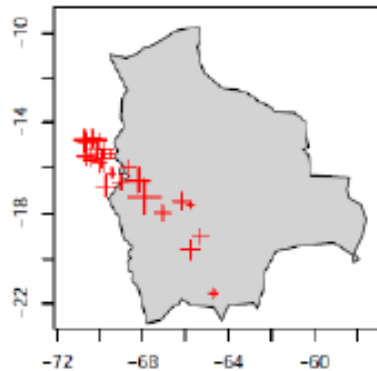
(For example: radiation screen replaced with a more effective one → larger impact on maximum temperatures)

# Homogenisation

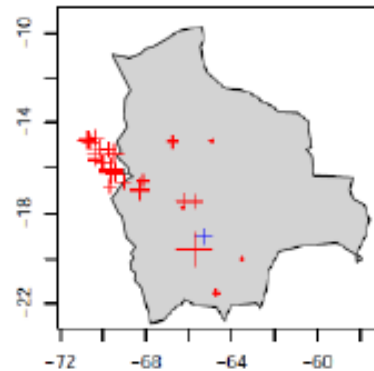
Original Tmax



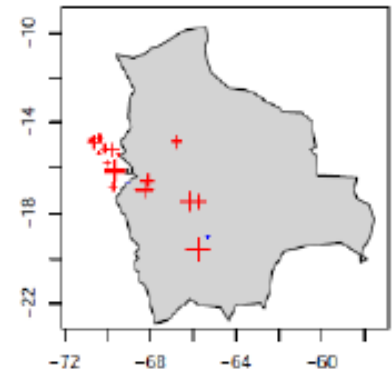
Manual homogenisation



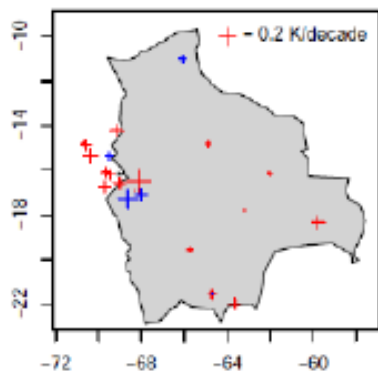
Automated method 1



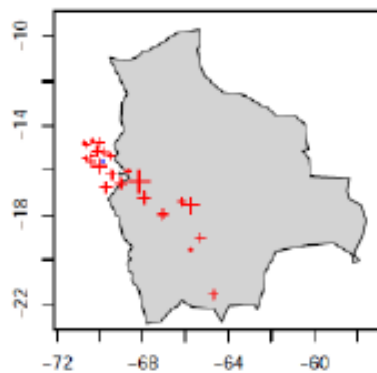
Automated method 2



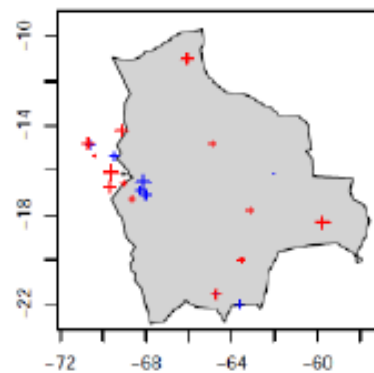
Original Tmin



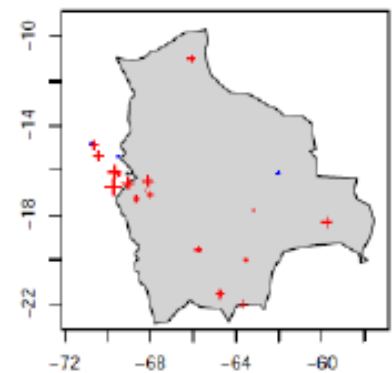
Manual homogenisation



Automated method 1



Automated method 2



Linear trends in mean annual Tmax and Tmin over the period 1965-2012  
(the grey region depicts Bolivia)



# MANY THANKS FOR LISTENING

# TIME FOR QUESTIONS

# QUESTIONS RELATED TO DATA SOURCES

- Which temperature datasets do you use currently?
- Would the homogenized gridded dataset be interesting for you? If yes, why?
- What is most important for you during homogenization: good representation of averages, trends or extremes?
- How important is it that the datasets used for the development of EUSTACE are freely available?
- Which currently available (global) datasets, the EUSTACE dataset should be compared with?