

A NEW APPROACH TO AIR TEMPERATURE ANALYSIS

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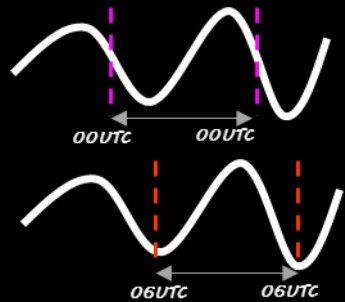
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MOTIVATION & RESEARCH QUESTIONS



JULY 1ST 1961: CLIMATOLOGICAL DAY REDEFINED IN CANADA

OLD OBSERVING WINDOW (00UTC)
MISCHARACTERIZATION OF MINIMA

NEW OBSERVING WINDOW (06UTC)
INTRODUCTION OF COLD BIAS & MINIMA DOUBLECOUNTING

HOMOGENIZATION OF DATA AT 120 SYNOPTIC STATIONS
0.5 – 12.5 °C TEMPERATURE ADJUSTMENT ON INDIVIDUAL DAYS

**OBSERVING WINDOW AFFECTS THE ACCURACY OF
DETERMINATION OF DIURNAL AIR TEMPERATURE EXTREMA**

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Q1. SUCCESS RATE OF THE OBSERVING WINDOW IN IDENTIFICATION OF TRUE DIURNAL EXTREMA POINTS?

Q2. EFFECT OF THE OBSERVING WINDOW SELECTION ON LONG-TERM TEMPERATURE AVERAGING?

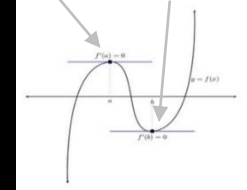
Q3. DIURNAL EXTREMA TIMING: A NEW CLIMATOLOGICAL PARAMETER?

PROBLEM STATEMENT

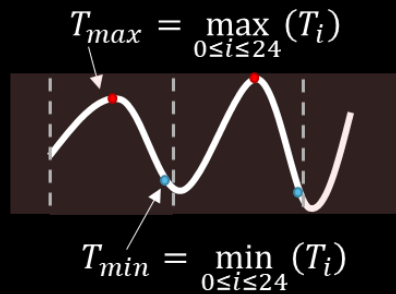
MATHEMATICAL EXTREMA

POINTS ON A $T(t)$ CURVE IN WHICH DAILY TEMPERATURE TREND CHANGES SIGN

"TURNING POINTS"



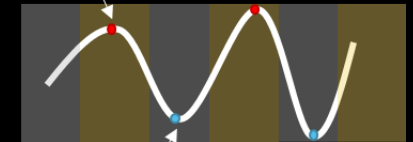
$(T(t))_{\text{DERIVATIVE}} = 0$



DISCRETE SEARCH METHODS

BEGINNING & LENGTH OF SEARCH INTERVAL

$$T_{\max} = \max_{\text{RISE} \leq i \leq \text{SET}} (T_i)$$



$$T_{\min} = \min_{\text{SET} \leq i \leq \text{RISE}} (T_i)$$

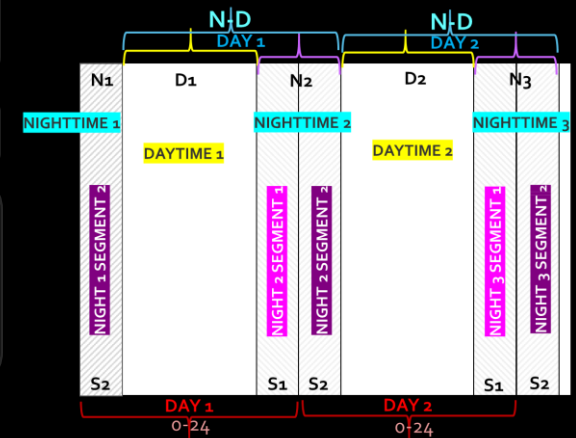
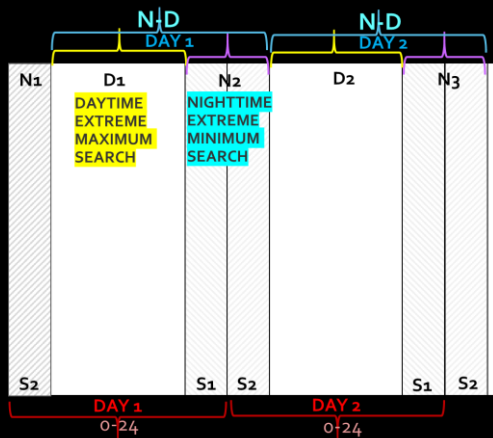
NIGHTTIME FRAGMENTATION

SEGMENTS OF TWO CONSECUTIVE NIGHTS

NIGHTTIME / DAYTIME: UNIQUE CLIMATOLOGICAL EVENTS

SEPARATION OF DIURNAL EXTREMA SEARCH PERIOD

NIGHTTIME AND DAYTIME



CLIMATOLOGICAL OBSERVING WINDOW (COW)

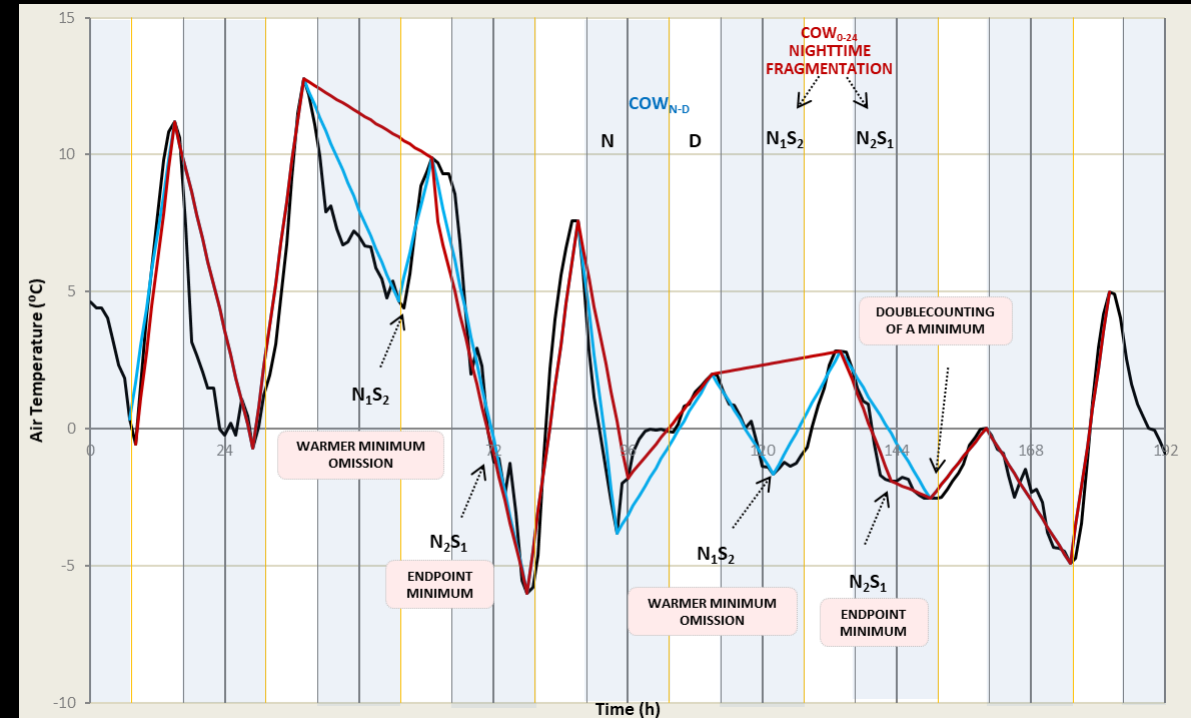
COW₀₋₂₄ EXTREMA IDENTIFICATION METHOD
MINIMUM & MAXIMUM: D + N₁S₂ + N₂S₁ SEGMENTS

CORRECT IDENTIFICATION OF N₁S₂ MINIMA
 $T_{\min}(N_1S_2) < T_{\min}(N_2S_1)$

OMISSIONS OF WARMER MINIMA (N₁S₂)
IDENTIFICATION OF ENDPOINT MINIMA (N₂S₁)
DOUBLECOUNTING OF COLD MINIMA (N₁S₂ & N₂S₁)

COW_{N-D} EXTREMA IDENTIFICATION METHOD
MINIMUM: SUNSET TO SUNRISE
MAXIMUM: SUNRISE TO SUNSET

CORRECT IDENTIFICATIONS OF SOLARLY-DRIVEN
TEMPERATURE EXTREMA



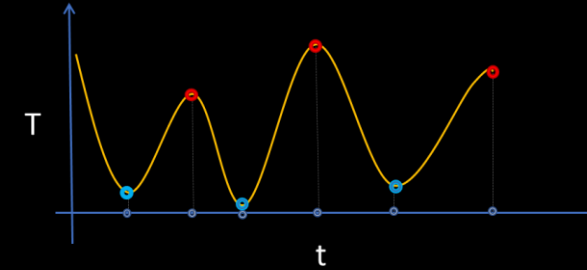
COMPARISON OF COW₀₋₂₄ and COW_{N-D} OBSERVING WINDOWS

DIURNAL EXTREMA TIMING (DET)

A NEW CLIMATOLOGICAL PARAMETER?

**KEY ELEMENT TO ACCURACY OF ANALYTICAL
TEMPERATURE APPROXIMATIONS**

CONNECTION POINTS ON A $T(t)$ CURVE



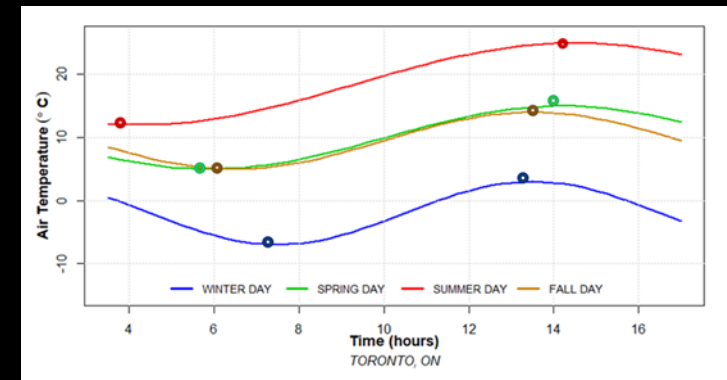
BASIS FOR DEGREE-DAY FORMULA MODIFICATION

IMPROVEMENT OF ESTIMATION OF TEMPERATURE-RELATED QUANTITIES

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NOT A PART OF CLIMATE RECORDS

ANNUAL & SEASONAL $t_{\min}$, $t_{\max}$ SHIFTS



**ANNUAL AVERAGES OF DIURNAL $t_{\min}$ AND $t_{\max}$
SYSTEMATICALLY CHANGING THROUGH TIME**

SEASONALLY AVERAGED DIURNAL TEMPERATURE-TIME CHANGE

TEMPERATURE-TIMING ANALYSIS ALGORITHM

DIURNAL AIR TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

DIURNAL TEMPERATURE EXTREMA

HIGH-FREQUENCY TEMPERATURE

COW_{0-24}

COW_{N-D}

NOCTURNAL MINIMA

DAYTIME MAXIMA

TEMPERATURE AVERAGING

NT_{min}

DT_{max}

DIURNAL EXTREMA TIMING (DET) t_{min} & t_{max}

BMM

BEFORE MIDNIGHT
MINIMA

AMM

AFTER MIDNIGHT
MINIMA

BNM

BEFORE NOON
MAXIMA

ANM

AFTER NOON
MAXIMA

BMM DET

BMM t_{min}

AMM DET

AMM t_{min}

BNM DET

BNM t_{max}

ANM DET

ANM t_{max}

MIDNIGHT

SUNRISE

NOON

SUNSET

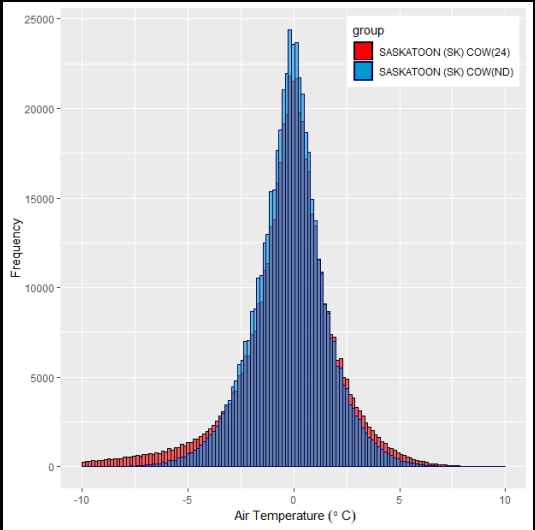
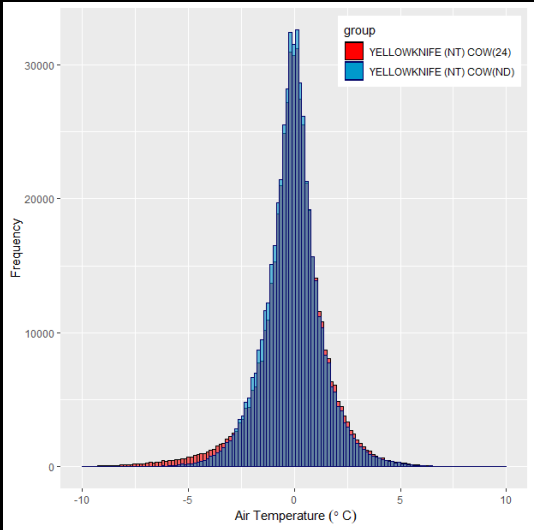
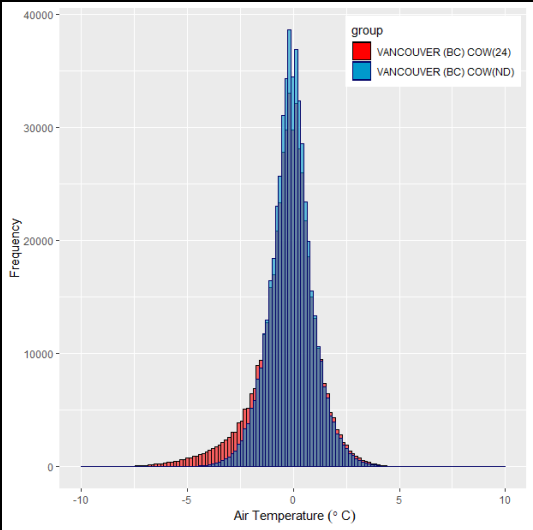
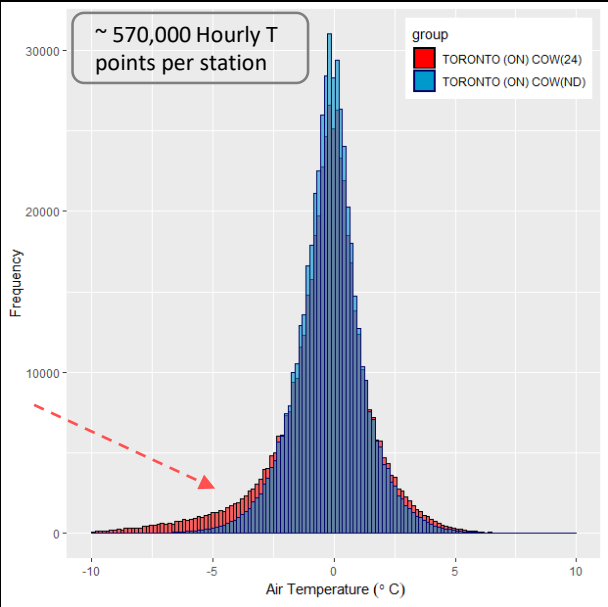
Stations:

VANCOUVER INT' A (BC)
YELLOWKNIFE (NT)
SASKATOON INT'L A (SK)
TORONTO PEARSON INT'L A (ON)
MONTREAL PET INT'L A (QC)
CHARLOTTETOWN (PE)

Historical Climate Data
Environment of Canada
Government of Canada



CONFORMITY OF LINEARLY TRACKED TEMPERATURES WITH HOURLY OBSERVATIONS

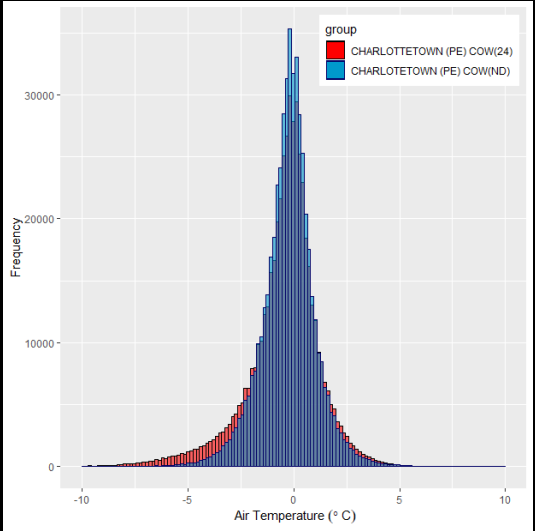
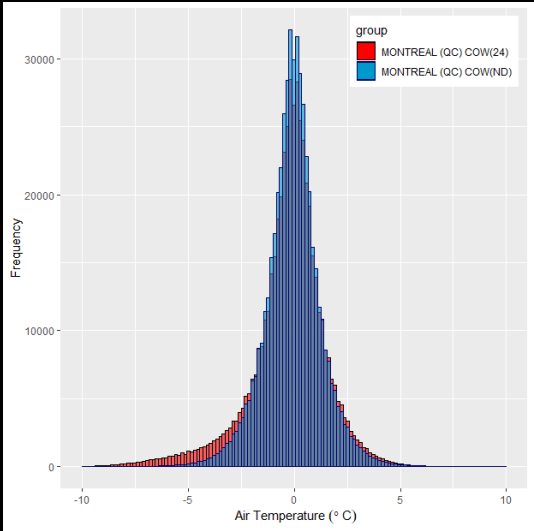
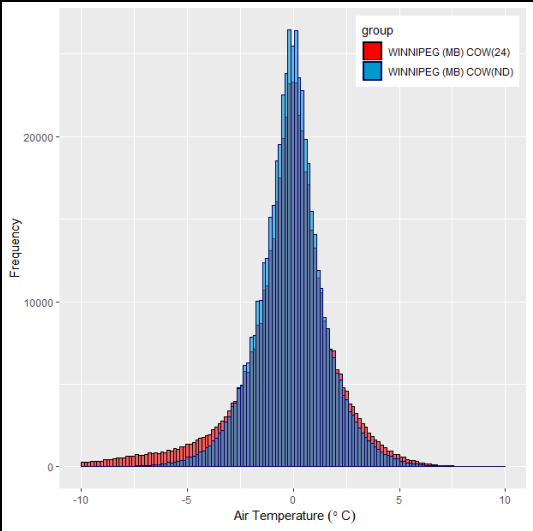


VANCOUVER (BC)

YELLOWKNIFE (NT)

SASKATOON (SK)

MAIN STATISTICS	μ_{0-24} (°C)	σ_{0-24} (°C)	μ_{N-D} (°C)	σ_{N-D} (°C)
TORONTO	-0.44	2.06	-0.18	1.45
VANCOUVER	-0.32	1.44	-0.09	1.04
YELLOWKNIFE	-0.13	1.70	-0.05	1.40
SASKATOON	-0.36	2.47	-0.17	1.77
WINNIPEG	-0.36	2.41	-0.09	1.66
MONTREAL	-0.29	1.84	-0.06	1.36
CHARLOTTETOWN	-0.49	1.77	-0.24	1.31

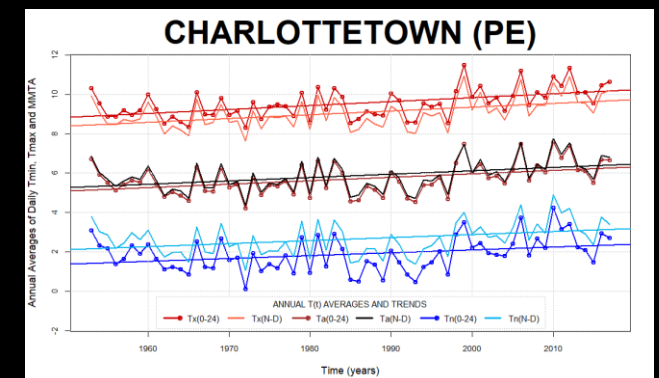
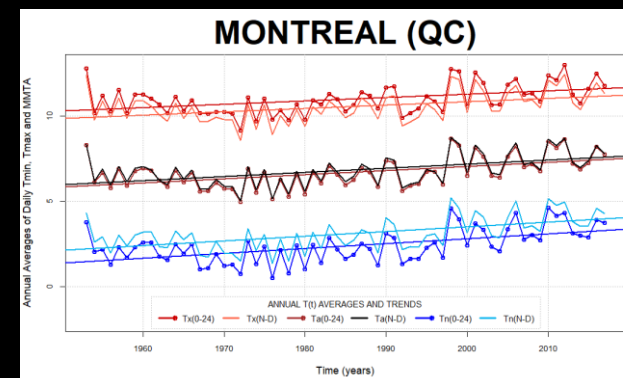
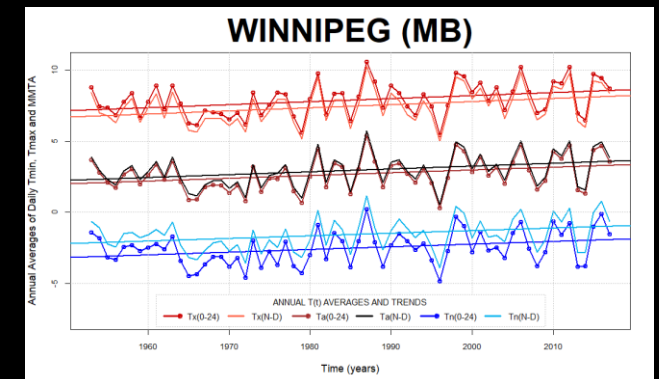
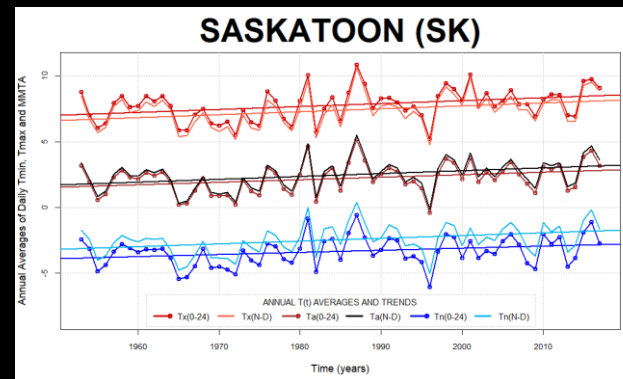
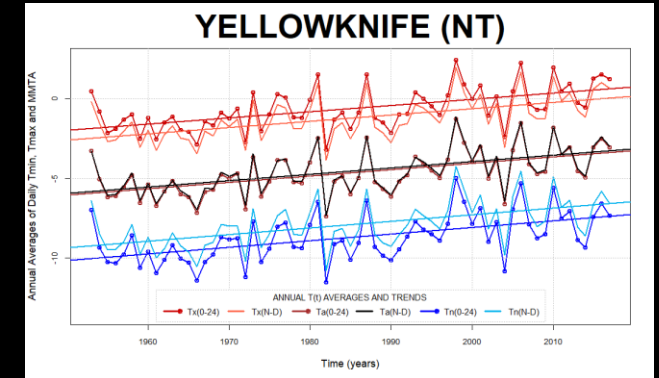
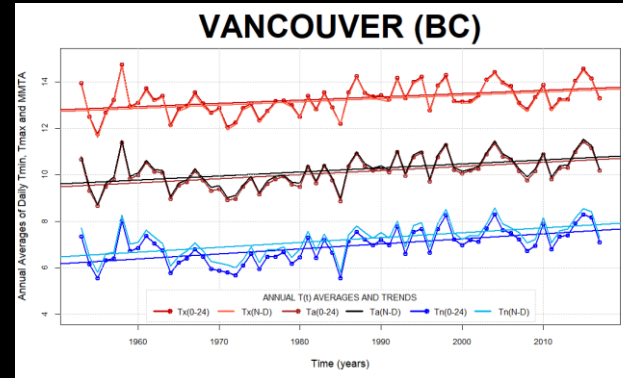
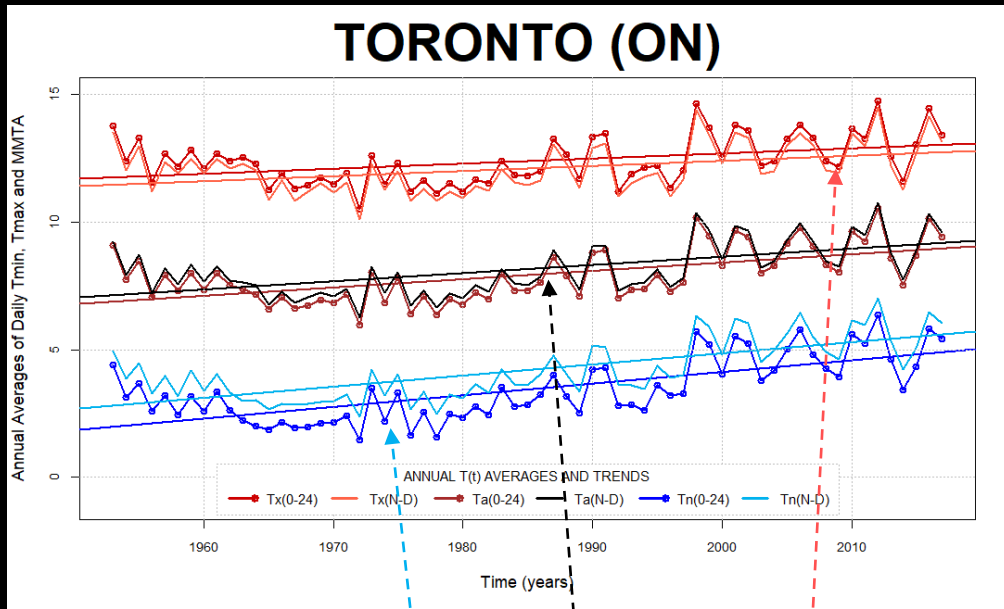


WINNIPEG (MB)

MONTREAL (QC)

CHARLOTTETOWN (PE)

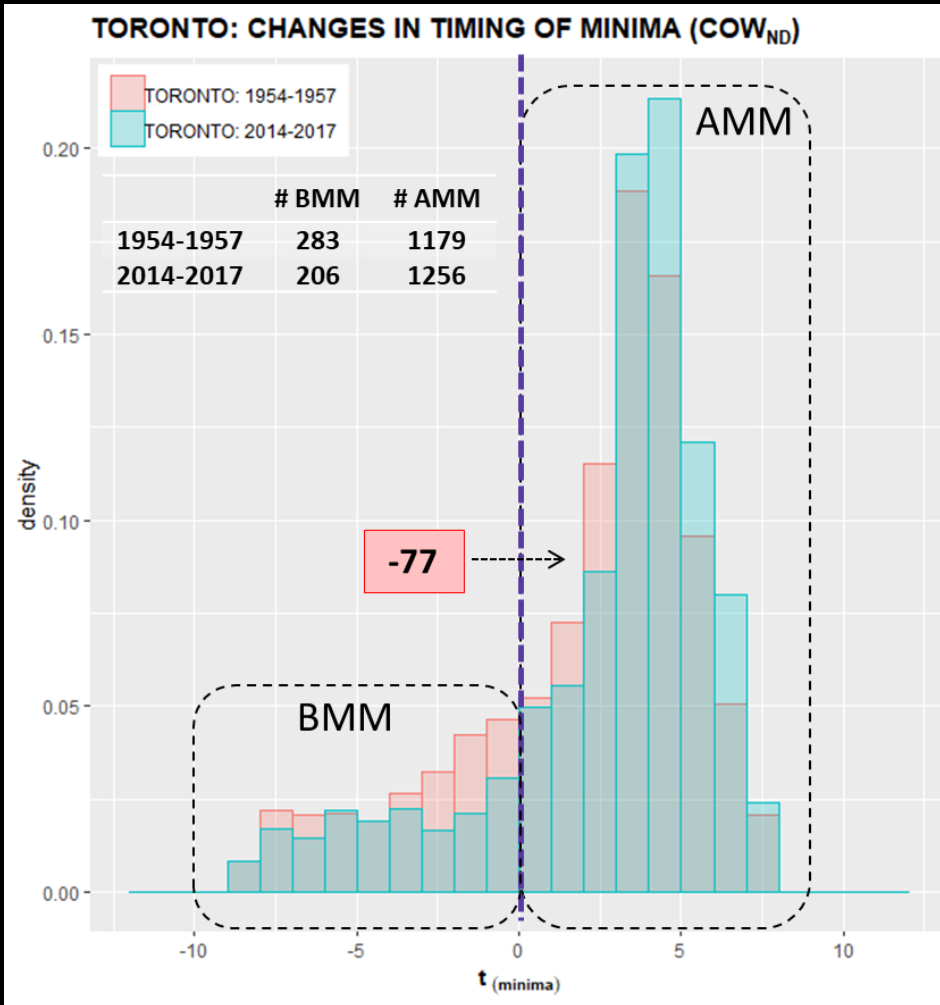
ANNUALLY AVERAGED DIURNAL AIR TEMPERATURE EXTREMA



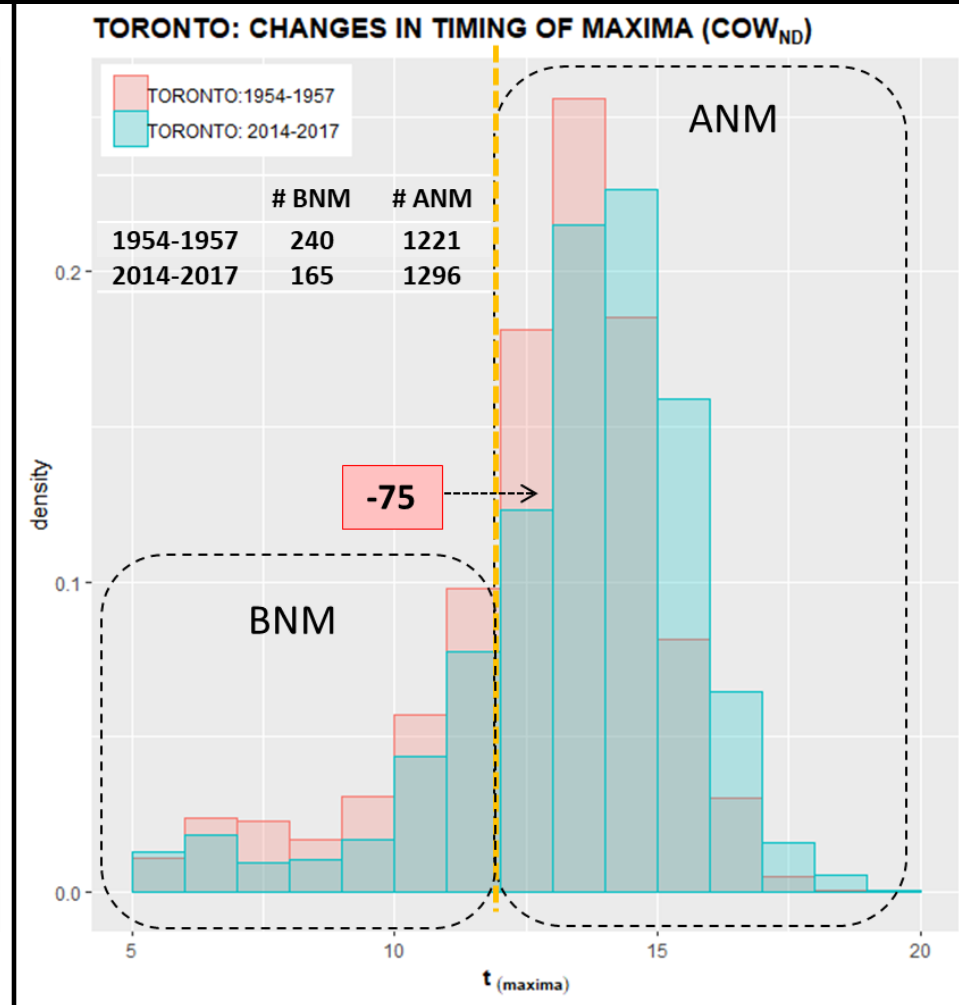
TEMPERATURE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN COWs

COW ₀₋₂₄ - COW _{N-D}	$\Delta T_{\min}$ (°C)	$\Delta MMTA$ (°C)	$\Delta T_{\max}$ (°C)	ΔDTR (°C)
TORONTO	-0.77	-0.23	0.31	1.08
VANCOUVER	-0.28	-0.10	0.08	0.35
YELLOWKNIFE	-0.80	-0.10	0.60	1.40
SASKATOON	-0.89	-0.25	0.39	1.28
WINNIPEG	-0.96	-0.26	0.45	1.40
MONTREAL	-0.70	-0.13	0.44	1.14
CHARLOTTETOWN	-0.77	-0.15	0.47	1.25
CANADIAN AVERAGES	-0.74	-0.17	0.39	1.13

TIME EVOLUTION OF DIURNAL EXTREMA TIMING

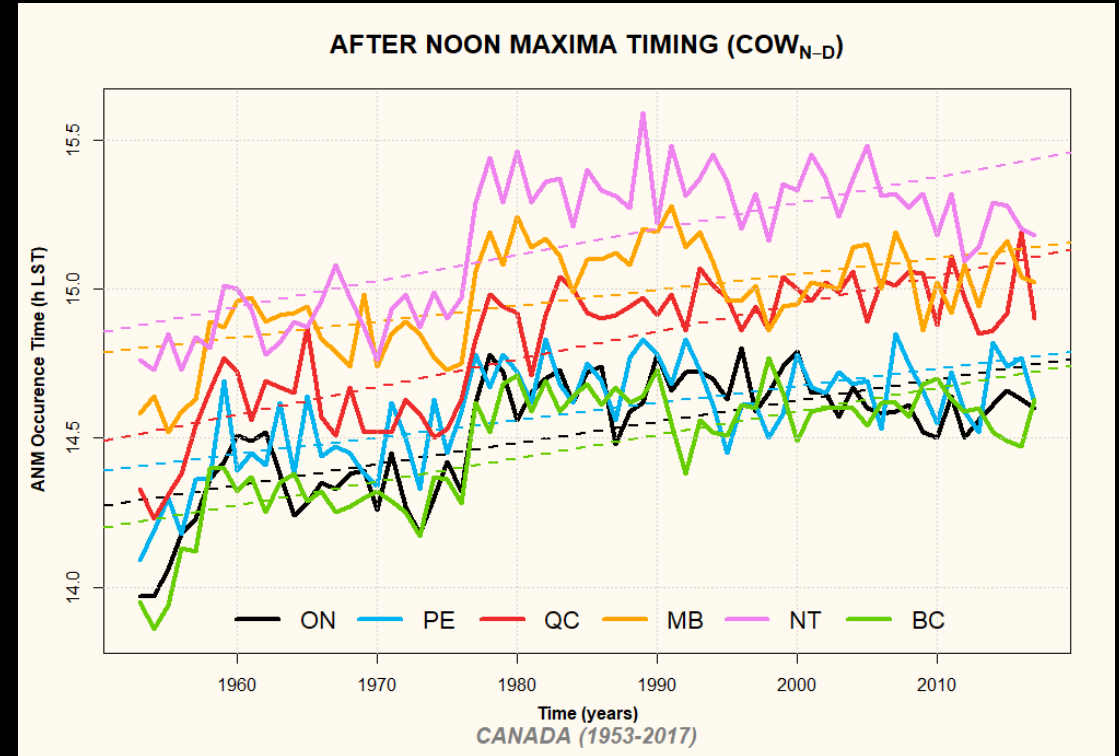
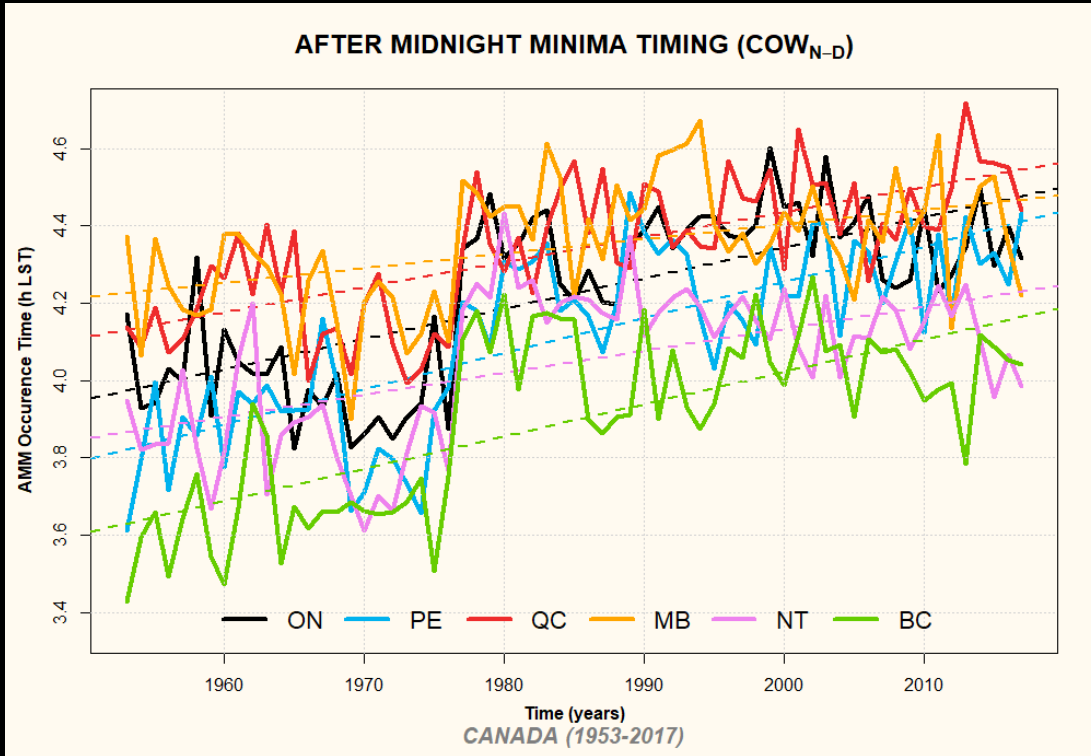


MIGRATION COUNT	BMM	BNM
VANCOUVER	-109	-63
YELLOWKNIFE	-36	-54
SASKATOON	-35	-69



MIGRATION COUNT	BMM	BNM
WINNIPEG	-42	-16
MONTREAL	-69	-36
CHARLOTTETOWN	-100	-134

TRENDS OF ANNUALLY AVERAGED TIMING SUBPOPULATIONS



AMM TIME SHIFTS	TIME INCREMENT (h) $m_{lin}(t_{min}) \times (2017-1953)$	$m_{lin}(t_{min})$ (h/y)	MK p-value
TORONTO	0.51	7.9e-03	3.58e-07
VANCOUVER	0.54	8.3e-03	1.19e-07
YELLOWKNIFE	0.37	5.7e-03	1.20e-03
SASKATOON	0.45	6.8e-03	2.72e-05
WINNIPEG	0.24	3.7e-03	1.00e-03
MONTREAL	0.42	6.5e-03	2.22e-16
CHARLOTTETOWN	0.59	9.1e-03	2.00e-16

ANM TIME SHIFTS	TIME INCREMENT (h) $m_{lin}(t_{max}) \times (2017-1953)$	$m_{lin}(t_{max})$ (h/y)	MK p-value
TORONTO	0.46	7.1e-03	4.53e-06
VANCOUVER	0.51	7.8e-03	5.96e-07
YELLOWKNIFE	0.57	8.7e-03	1.07e-06
SASKATOON	1.39	2.1e-02	3.58e-04
WINNIPEG	0.35	5.3e-03	2.60e-05
MONTREAL	0.61	9.3e-03	2.22e-16
CHARLOTTETOWN	0.38	5.8e-03	2.15e-06

CLIMATE PARAMETER SENSITIVITY INDEX (CPSI)

$$\text{CPSI}(\text{NT}_{\min}) = (\Delta\text{NT}_{\min}) / (\delta\text{NT}_{\min})$$

$\Delta\text{T}_{\min}$ = CHANGE IN TEMPERATURE MINIMA DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

$\delta\text{T}_{\min}$ = NORMAL VARIABILITY RANGE OF TEMPERATURE MINIMA

$$\Delta\text{T}_{\min} = m_{\text{lin}} (\text{NT}_{\min}) \times (2017-1953)$$

$$\delta\text{T}_{\min} = \max (\text{NT}_{\min}) - \min (\text{NT}_{\min})$$

$$\text{CPSI}(\text{t}_{\min}) = (\Delta\text{t}_{\min}) / (\delta\text{t}_{\min})$$

$\Delta\text{t}_{\min}$ = CHANGE IN AMM TIMING DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

$\delta\text{t}_{\min}$ = NORMAL VARIABILITY RANGE OF AMM TIMING

$$\Delta\text{t}_{\min} = m_{\text{lin}} (\text{t}_{\min}) \times (2017-1953)$$

$$\delta\text{t}_{\min} = \max (\text{t}_{\min}) - \min (\text{t}_{\min})$$

CPSI (%)	NT _{min}	DT _{max}	AMM t _{min}	ANM t _{max}
TORONTO (ON)	4.88	2.21	6.40	6.64
VANCOUVER (BC)	3.24	1.95	6.67	6.23
YELLOWKNIFE (NT)	3.70	3.37	3.70	7.09
SASKATOON (SK)	1.92	1.90	5.57	19.89
WINNIPEG (MB)	1.69	1.95	3.03	5.72
MONTREAL (QC)	2.79	1.96	5.26	10.05
CHARLOTTETOWN (PE)	1.89	2.11	7.46	5.33
CANADIAN AVERAGES (%)	2.88	2.21	5.44	8.71

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

COMPONENTS OF THE NEW APPROACH TO AIR TEMPERATURE ANALYSIS

COW_{N-D}
 NT_{min}, DT_{max}

DET
 $AMM t_{min}, ANM t_{max}$

$CPSI (NT_{min})$
 $CPSI (t_{min})$

APPLICATION OF THE NEW APPROACH IN CANADA-WIDE STUDY

$COW_{N-D} NT_{min} > COW_{0-24} T_{min}$

+0.74°C

MIGRATION OF BMM TO AMM

67

MIGRATION OF BNM TO ANM

64

$ANM t_{max}$ TIME INCREMENT

+37 min

$AMM t_{min}$ TIME INCREMENT

+27 min

CPSI RANKING

HIGH INDEX FOR t_{max} & t_{min} PARAMETERS

8.71 %

5.44 %