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## ABSTRACT

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A computer analysis system STRAP, was developed at the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Centre for use in analyzing observations obtained from groundfish research trawl surveys.

The system was designed to allow the user greater freedom in data manipulation and estimation by means of 'plain' english control statements. This will enable and encourage closer examination of the data. The modular nature of the programs will permit easy inclusion of new analysis techniques.

Examples given demonstrate the flexibility of STRAP.

Key words: Groundfish trawl surveys, stratified-random surveys, fisheries management

## RÉSUMÉ

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Le Centre des pêches de l'Atlantique nord-ouest a mis au point un système STRAP d'analyse par ordinateur qui sert à analyser les observations provenant des levés par chalutage de poisson de fond réalisés à des fins de recherche.

Le système a été conçu pour permettre à l'utilisateur de manipuler et d'évaluer les données avec une plus grande latitude grâce à des instructions en langage courant. Cela permettra et favorisera un examen plus minutieux des données. Comme les programmes sont modulaires, on pourra facilement y inclure les nouvelles techniques d'analyse.

Les exemples cités démontrent la souplesse du système STRAP.



## INTRODUCTION

Management decisions on Canada's east coast groundfish stocks are mainly realized from the analysis of information provided by two basic sources of data; commercial statistics and groundfish research trawl surveys. Although groundfish surveys on the east coast date back to the 1940's, stratified-random groundfish surveys were introduced to the east coast in 1970 in order to provide an alternative to the commercial sources for the determination of stock abundance as well as information on age and length structure, parasites, and other biological information. The sampling scheme that is used is a stratified random sampling design with depth as the major stratifying variable. The depth ranges used were based in part on the experiences of the Northeast Atlantic Fisheries Centre (Wood's Hole, Mass.) which had been conducting like surveys since 1963 and when such information was available, on knowledge of the distribution characteristics of the major commercial species in a specific area. (Documentation with regards to the development of these surveys are contained in the following reports: Grosslein and Pinhorn 1971; Halliday and Kohler 1971; Pinhorn 1971; and Grosslein 1971). The advantages of using trawl surveys so designed was seen as: 1) use of a standard gear type over all years would provide data which would not be affected by an ambiguity in the use of a 'standard' effort when many gear types are used such as in the commercial fishery, and 2) the stratified-random design would provide estimates of the precision of the estimates of abundance which were not available for the commercially based estimates.

The original computer programs which were used in St. John's to analyze the survey data were modified versions of programs written by D. N. Fitzgerald (St. Andrews Biological Station, St. Andrews, New Brunswick). These programs written in the early 1970's provided estimates of the stratified means as well as an estimate of the total abundance with their respective measures of precision and confidence limits. Analysis was carried out in two formats; 1) the so-called 'Strat-1' program which provided estimates of numbers caught per age-group and 2) the 'Strat-2' program which calculated estimates of the mean numbers and weights caught per tow (as well as estimates of totals per survey area).

These programs were adequate enough at the time but since then changes in data storage (tape files replacing card decks) and a need to explore and study this data source in order to refine the survey and estimation techniques required a more flexible computer analysis system. This then was the motivation for writing the programs which are being presented here. This new analysis system known simply as STRAP (Stratified Analysis Programs) is not a modified version of the Fitzgerald programs but instead is a freshly designed system such that the following requirements be met:

- 1) that the programs are easy to use in order to promote increased study of the data base,
- 2) that the programs are designed such that new developments or requirements can be built into the programs in a systematic fashion.

The above requirements were met by making the programs parameter driven in a way that 'plain english' commands supplied by the user would run the programs and the programs were written in self contained modules so that changes could be made easily. The actual details will be explained more fully in the body of this report.

The programs as presented are the version in use at the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Centre in St. John's, Newfoundland. Therefore the data formats (included here as Appendix 2 for illustration only) and any special programming required to deal with unusual structures in the data are specific to the Newfoundland region. The system is also designed to run on an IBM 370/158 MVS type-computer but a modified version of it is being proposed for a CDC/CYBER 171 machine used by the Marine Fish Division at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

It should be stressed that the STRAP system presented here is not the final form to be taken by this analysis system. The STRAP system will evolve as more developments occur from research into the groundfish surveys.

#### STANDARD NOTATION FOR USE IN GROUND FISH RESEARCH TRAWL SURVEYS

$L$  = number of strata samples ( $h = 1, 2, \dots, L$ )

$N_h$  = total number of sample units in the hth stratum

$n_h$  = total number of units sampled in the hth stratum ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_h$ )

$N = \sum_{h=1}^L N_h$  = total number of sample units in survey

$n = \sum_{h=1}^L n_h$  = total number of observations in survey

$W_h = \frac{N_h}{N}$  = stratum weight

$f_h = \frac{n_h}{N_h}$  = sampling fraction in the hth stratum

$y_{hi}$  = ith observation in the hth stratum

$\bar{Y}_h = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_h} y_{hi}}{n_h}$  = sample mean in the hth stratum

$S^2_h = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_h} (y_{hi} - \bar{Y}_h)^2}{(n_h - 1)}$  = sample variance in the hth stratum

$\bar{Y}_{st} = \sum_{h=1}^L W_h \bar{Y}_h$  = estimate of the population mean per unit (i.e. stratified mean catch per tow)



$$\widehat{\text{Var}}(\bar{Y}_{st}) \text{ or } s^2(\bar{Y}_{st}) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{h=1}^L N_h (N_h - n_h) \frac{S_h^2}{n} = \text{estimate of the variance of the stratified mean}$$

$$\hat{Y}_{st} = N\bar{Y}_{st} = \text{estimate of the population total over the survey area}$$

### PROGRAM DESIGN

The main factor in developing the design of the STRAP program was to make it as user-oriented as possible so that requests could be developed and coded easily, possibly by non-EDP users of the program. In order to do this, it was decided that the STRAP program should be parameter driven by English-language type control cards similar to those used in BMDP (Dixon 1977) and POPAN (Arnason and Baniuk 1980). The control cards were structured into sets according to their usage and each card took the following format ....

KEYWORD = 'LIST OF VALUES'

An attempt was made to make both the keywords and the list of values as explanatory as possible. To make the program "user-friendly" the control cards were designed to be free-format. This allows the user freedom in preparing the parameter card request deck. Also, the STRAP program attempts to error check the control parameters to avoid wasted or meaningless jobs. When an error is detected, an appropriate message is printed beneath the control statement in error. Error checking continues to the end of the control statements but no processing is attempted if an error has been detected.

During the design of the STRAP program it became evident that the program could be separated into two components - one to read and decode the parameter control cards and extract from the existing master files of data the subfiles required for a particular request, and the other to do the necessary analysis of the extracted data. The second analysis component could further be split into two distinct sections roughly equivalent to the old 'STRAT1' and 'STRAT2' programs. This modularization of the program and the flow of program control are illustrated in Fig. 1. Also, it was decided that since IBM's FORTRAN IV was inefficient for handling character strings and input/output operations, the first component of the program would be written in IBM's PL/I programming language, while the second component would be programmed in FORTRAN. Communication between the two components of the STRAP program is accomplished by temporary data sets created in the PL/I component and read in the FORTRAN section. The major options and flow of logic in the analysis routines are controlled by a vector called IND in the program code. The vector is set in the PL/I component of the program depending on the options requested and is passed by means of a temporary data set to the FORTRAN analysis routines. The FORTRAN routines use the settings of the IND vector to control the type of analysis being done. For example, the first position of IND is set to 1 if an AGE LENGTH analysis is required and 0 otherwise.

As far as possible, the STRAP program has been modularized, so that each distinct function of the program is contained in a separate subroutine.

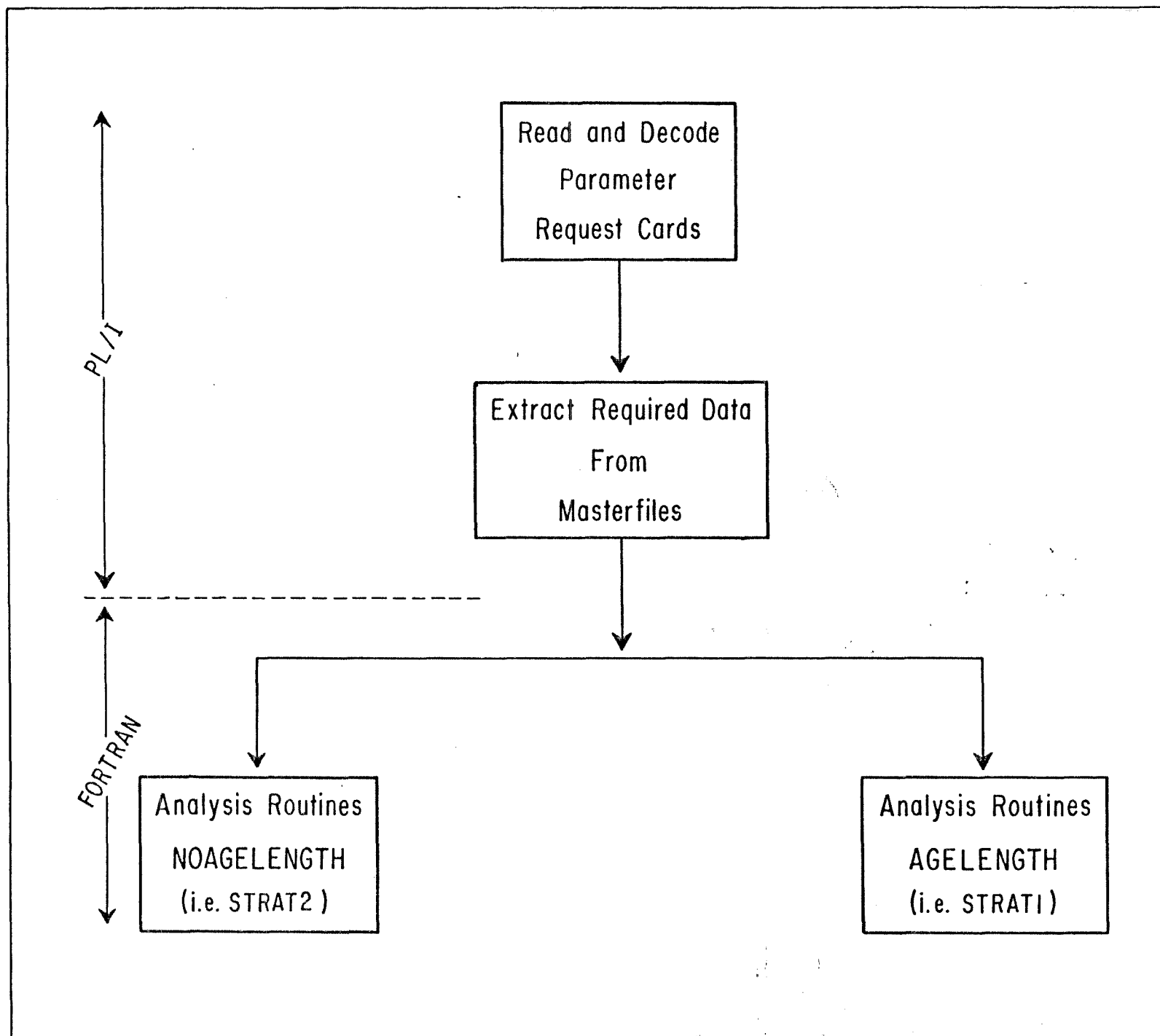


Figure 1

When extracting the requested data from the master files the STRAP program attempts to validate the records as much as possible. Unsuccessful sets are identified, listed on the output and excluded from the analysis. If the standard stratum areas (Anon. 1979) are being used then the stratum number coded is checked for validity. Sets having zero or blanks coded for the "distance towed" are identified and listed on the output as are sets which have zeros or blanks coded for the number or weight of a species caught. Both these cases cause an error parameter to be switched on; this parameter is tested before the analysis of the extracted data is begun, and if found to be on, execution is terminated.

Since the STRAP program uses a variety of temporary data sets, the job control language for running the program at the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Centre has been catalogued on the IBM machine at Newfoundland and Labrador Computer Services. To execute STRAP at the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Centre, the user simply invokes the catalogued procedure with an EXECute statement and supplies the necessary master files which the program expects to use. See Appendix 1 for a description of the files required by the program and several sample job streams.

#### THE CONTROL STATEMENTS

The general format of all control statements is:

KEYWORD = 'LIST OF VALUES'

All control statements can be entered in free format. The control statements are organized into 'sets' according to their respective data specification or estimation-type functions. The sets are denoted by a ? with the set name following (e.g. ?START). A set is terminated by the next set statement. The order of the control statement sets is optional with the exception of the sets denoted by ?END and ?FINISH. Only sets ?SELECT1 ?END. ?FINISH and ?ESTIMATE are required, all others are optional and used as needed.

Following is a description of each set with its member control statements. (Note: If the default value is desired the statement does not have to appear.)

##### I. ?START (optional)

- a) TITLE = any alphanumeric title, maximum of 72 characters and blanks are allowed.

= blank (default)

- b) PROGRAM = AGELENGTH; analysis is done on the basis of age or length groupings. Output will be in estimated numbers per age or length grouping.

= NOAGELENGTH (default); analysis is done on the total numbers and total weight caught per species per tow

## II ?SELECT1 (Required)

- a) VESSEL = give a list of vessel number(s) (at present as per St. John's coding specification; Appendix 2) used in the survey(s) of interest, separated by a blank or comma.
- b) TRIP = give a list of trip number(s) to be selected. Each trip number must be in the following format YYNNN, where YY is the year (e.g. 81) and NNN refers to the cruise number (as per coding specification; Appendix 2). The cruise number must be in a three digit field (e.g. cruise number 2 must be written as 002).  
Note: The correspondence between vessel and trip numbers is as follows;
- i) if only one vessel is specified then all trips are for that vessel.
  - ii) if more than one vessel is specified then there is a one to one relationship between vessel numbers and the trip numbers.
- c) ICNAF = give the ICNAF/NAFO Divisions to be selected. Single areas are specified by giving the two digit code, e.g. 2J, 3L, etc. If a combination of areas is desired for one analysis e.g. areas 3L, 3N, 3O (Grand Bank) are to be combined then specify 3LNO.  
Note: Each vessel/trip combination will be analyzed for each ICNAF/NAFO Div. specified.
- d) SPECIES = give a list of species to be analyzed. Currently 11 species are recognized by the species name.  
They are: COD (Atlantic cod)  
AMPLAICE (American plaice)  
YELLOWTAIL (Yellowtail flounder)  
TURBOT (Greenland halibut)  
WITCH (Witch flounder or Grey sole)  
MENTELLA (Redfish: *Sebastes mentella*)  
MARINUS (Redfish: *Sebastes marinus*)  
HADDOCK  
TSKATE (Thorny skate)  
SHRIMP (*Pandalus borealis*)  
GRENADIER (Roundnose grenadier)

In addition to these species, the user can specify OTHER, if the species required is not in the above list. This will require supplementary information to be provided in the control statement set ?SELECT2.

Note: When PROGRAM=NOAGELENGTH is specified a maximum of six species can be analysed concurrently. If PROGRAM=AGELENGTH is specified the maximum number is two. When listing the species names, the names can be separated by commas or blanks.

- e) TOW = give length of tow in nautical miles. Decimal point must be entered (i.e. a tow of 1.8 N. miles is entered as TOW = 1.8).
- f) WING = give the wing spread in feet. Decimal point must be entered as above.

NOTE: All control commands in this set must be entered. None are optional.

### III ?SELECT2 (Optional)

- a) OTHER = give species code as per coding specification in Appendix 2 if SPECIES=OTHER is specified in ?SELECT1. The rules for the SPECIES = control statement apply here.
- b) RUN = SEPARATE; a separate analysis will be done for each vessel and trip combination.  
  
= COMBINED (default); combine vessels and trips into one analysis.
- c) SELSTR = give a list of specific strata numbers to be analyzed if it is desired not to analyze the complete set of strata covered in the survey.
- d) COMSTR = (G)  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_k$  where G denotes the group number and the  $H_i$  are the strata numbers to be combined in this group. This option is used to combine a number of strata into one super strata or group. More than one group may be specified but the strata must be mutually exclusive with respect to group membership.
- e) DELSTR = give a list of strata which are not to be analyzed.
- f) STRAT=DEPTH; form superstrata based on common depth ranges. At present the strata for the Atlantic coast are defined on specific depth ranges i.e. 30-50 fath, 50-100 fath, 100-150 fath etc. (with the exception of ICNAF/NAFO Div. 2J and 3K in which the depth ranges are in increments of 100 m). Since the area covered by any one depth range is extremely large, the depth ranges were originally subdivided into the present strata system (Anon. 1979). This option ignores those subdivisions.  
  
= STRATUM (default); Use strata boundaries as defined in (Anon. 1979).

- g) DELSET=(T) $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k$ ; delete from the analysis the sets denoted by their set numbers ( $S_i$ ) for trip 'T'. The value in the parenthesis (T) refers to a specific trip by its position in the TRIP = list in the ?SELECT1 control statement set.
- h) AREAS=OTHER; indicates that stratum areas other than those listed in (Anon. 1979) be used. A file containing the other areas will be supplied by the user (see Appendix C).  
 = STANDARD (default); Use areas as per (Anon. 1979).
- i) PRINT=NO; this option suppresses printing of the set details (see example section).  
 = YES (default); No printing is suppressed.
- j) SPECIAL; this option is required for some species (such as SHRIMP) where only weights were recorded. The analysis for numbers will be presented but all number entries will be set to 1.0 (one). This option is for PROGRAM=NOAGELENGTH only.

IV ?SELECT3 (Optional; this control statement set is used only when PROGRAM=AGELENGTH is specified in the ?START set).

- a) SPECIES =  $Sp_1, Sp_2, \dots, Sp_n$ ; this option is used when SPECIES=OTHER is specified in the ?SELECT1 set. The  $Sp_i$  specify species codes for the selection of age and growth records required for the construction of an age-length key. In St. John's the species codes on the age/growth records are different than those used for other files required by the program (see Appendix 2).
- b) VESSEL = give a list of vessel number(s) as per the VESSEL = statement in the ?SELECT1 set. This option is used when the age and growth records to be used in constructing an age-length key are to be obtained from a cruise other than that specified in the ?SELECT1 set.
- c) TRIP = again when the age and growth records are to be obtained from another cruise these statements are used to specify the selection.
- d) ICNAF = criteria. They are coded exactly the same as their counterparts in the ?SELECT1 set.

e) TIMES = YYMM; this option is specific to the age and growth records collected previous to 1978 at the St. John's facility. Before 1978 cruise numbers were not included on the records. Selection criteria is specified by YY→year (e.g. 76) and MM→month (e.g. January=01).

f) SEX= MALE - this option specifies what sex will be used as a selection.  
 = FEMALE - criteria for the age and growth records. (Note: SEX=UNSEXED)  
 =UNSEXED - refers to those species in which the animals were not sexed.  
 (This is not a combined option.)  
 = ALL - refers to all of the above combined.

=BOTH (default); both male and female age and growth records will be selected.

V. ?AGELENGTH (Optional: This control statement set is used only when PROGRAM=AGELENGTH is specified in the ?START set).

a) GROUP=LENGTH; if the user does not want an age length key and only requires the data analyzed by length groupings this option is activated.

=AGE (default); an age-length key is constructed and applied to the observed lengths. Analysis is done by ages.

b) UNSEXED=SEPARATE; if the species being analyzed has not been sexed (or a component of the species being analyzed such as juveniles has not been sexed) then a separate analysis will be carried out using a combined age-length key.  
 If GROUP=LENGTH is specified then the unsexed will be analyzed by lengths only.

= NONE (default); No unsexed animals are present.

c) SEXES=BOTH; male and female records are combined and analyzed.

=All; male, female and unsexed records are combined and analyzed.

=ONE(default); one or more sexes are to be analyzed separately.

d) COMSEX=SEP; more than one sex is being analyzed and the analysis is to be carried out on each sex separately.

=SEPALL; more than one sex is being analyzed and the analysis is to be carried out on each sex separately and then a separate analysis is carried out on all the sexes requested as a combined set.



=ONE(default); only one sex is being analyzed.

- e) SUMMARY = SP, SEX (L<sub>1</sub>, U<sub>1</sub>) (L<sub>2</sub>, U<sub>2</sub>); this option provides an output (and analysis) in which ages are grouped into age groupings where; sp=the position of the species of interest in either the SPECIES=statement of the ?SELECT1 or the OTHER=statement of the ?SELECT2 set.
- Sex = 1 Male  
       2 Female  
       3 Unsexed  
       4 Combined.

At present only two age groupings are allowed. These groupings are defined by their respective upper (U) and lower (L) limits. Note: the age groups must be contiguous.

- f) OUTPUT=WEIGHT; data received for analysis in PROGRAM=AGELENGTH option is in terms of numbers of animals observed at length. This option allows the numbers to be converted to weights by use of the following relationship:

$$\text{WEIGHT} = \alpha (\text{LENGTH})^\beta,$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are set in the following control statement.

= NUMBERS (default)

- g) PARMS = Sp, SEX,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ; The entries for Sp and SEX are as for the SUMMARY=statement.  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the parameter values required for the length/weight relationship above.
- (h) LENGTH = give a list of length groupings to be used when groupings other than the standard are desired. One grouping is given for each species being analysed. Normally, this option is used only when SPECIES = OTHER is specified in the SELECT1 set.

## VI ?ESTIMATE (Required)

- a) METHOD=STANDARD; stratum means and variances are calculated as per (Cochran 1977). Also see the notation list which follows the introduction to this report.

= GEOMEAN; stratum means are calculated by means of the geometric mean, i.e.

$$\bar{y}'_h = \left( \frac{n_h}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} y_{hi} \right)^{1/n_h}.$$

If zeros are present in the data in any one strata then the calculation is not done for that strata and an error message is printed. No variance estimates are available at present.

= W3MIX; This option carries out calculations based on developments presented in SMITH (1981).

b) ALPHA = X.XX; give the alpha value according to the size of confidence interval required. ( $1-\alpha$  = confidence interval probability).

c) TRANSFORM=LOG; the data ( $y_{hi}$  values) are transformed by the following transformation previous to the calculation of stratum means and variances;

$$Z_{hi} = \text{LOG} (Y_{hi} + 1).$$

= SQRT; The data ( $Y_{hi}$  values) are transformed by the following transformation previous to the calculation of stratum means and variances;

$$Z_{hi} = (Y_{hi})^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

d) CALCULATION=INVARIANCE; the stratum means are calculated from transformed data (transformation specified above) and then retransformed before calculation of the overall strata estimates by the following;

$$1) Y'_h = \exp. (\bar{Z}_h) - 1.0,$$

if TRANSFORM=LOG is specified.

$$2) Y'_h = (Z_h)^2, \text{ if}$$

TRANSFORM=SQRT is specified

The stratum variances are retransformed by assuming that the relationship between the mean and variance in the transformed environment is the same as in the retransformed environment.

= (default: BEFORE); all calculations with respect to the stratified mean and total estimates plus the confidence limits are calculated before retransforming.

VII ?END: This statement is used as a delimiter between separate analyses. A second series of control statements if required can be inserted after this statement.

VIV ?FINISH: Terminal statement for the analysis.

### SOME EXAMPLES

In this section we present some examples of the use of the Control Statements and the resulting output. For brevity only, two examples will be given for the first and one example will be given for the second of the following options. PROGRAM=NOAGELENGTH and PROGRAM=AGELENGTH.

#### I. PROGRAM=NOAGELENGTH (DEFAULT STATEMENT)

Example A) A stratified analysis is requested for numbers and weights caught of cod for a survey carried out by the research vessel A. T. Cameron (Trip 290) in ICNAF/NAFO Div. 3L (northern Grand Bank) in the period May-June 1979. This is the most basic use of the program. The control statements required are as follows.

```
?START
TITLE=EXAMPLE: A. T. Cameron, Trip 290/79 3L Cod
?SELECT1
VESSEL=03
TRIP=79290
ICNAF=3L
SPECIES=COD
TOW=1.8
WING=45.0
?ESTIMATE
METHOD=STANDARD
ALPHA=0.05
?END
?FINISH
```

The output that results from these statements is shown on the next three pages and is divided into four sections.

The first section presents the control statements and points out errors, if any. (Note: An error in the control statements is considered to be of a terminal nature and execution will terminate after this Section.)

The second section of the output lists any sets that were denoted as unsuccessful, and the number of records which enter the analysis is then printed.

The third section lists the set details with numbers and weights standardized to a 30-minute tow. If any of the strata encountered here have less than two sets, then these strata are removed from the analysis and the strata numbers are listed. If any strata are being combined, this information would be presented in this section with the first combined group denoted by the letter "A".

The fourth section of the output presents the analysis of the data. The UNITS column is the number of 30-minute tows possible in the strata ( $N_h$  from the notation section) and the 'TOTAL NO' column is simple the 'UNITS' column times the 'AV/SET' column.

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## STRATIFIED ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

CARD DECK FOR SELECTION # 1

?START  
 TITLE=EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD

?SELECT1  
 VESSEL=03  
 TRIP=79290  
 ICNAP=3L  
 SPECIES=COD  
 TUN=1.8  
 WING=45.0

?ESTIMATE  
 METHOD=STANDARD  
 ALPHA=0.05

?END

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ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
 VESSEL 3  
 ICNAP 3L

SET # 211 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.

SET # 267 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.

SET # 286 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.

SET # 327 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.

NUMBER OF VALID SETS FOUND 140

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L CDD

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3L

CDD

## NUMBERS AND WEIGHTS PER STANDARD 30 MINUTE TOW

STRATUM	SET	NUMBER	WT(KGS)
328.	348.	7.00	9.08
328.	349.	1.00	8.17
328.	350.	2.00	0.01
328.	351.	0.0	0.0
328.	352.	3.00	5.45
341.	296.	8.00	24.97
341.	345.	14.00	36.77
341.	346.	10.00	34.96
341.	347.	2.00	0.91
341.	353.	7.00	25.88
341.	354.	1.00	1.82
342.	297.	1.00	1.36
342.	298.	5.00	11.35
342.	299.	4.00	20.43
342.	300.	2.00	4.09
343.	301.	35.00	61.74
343.	302.	9.00	8.17
343.	306.	16.00	24.97
343.	307.	10.00	25.88
344.	210.	119.00	155.27
344.	212.	166.00	190.68
345.	213.	23.00	73.55
345.	214.	8.00	26.79
345.	215.	18.00	38.59
345.	216.	18.00	41.31
346.	217.	32.00	40.41
346.	218.	10.00	33.14
346.	219.	10.00	19.52
346.	220.	33.00	38.59
347.	225.	83.00	109.41
347.	226.	98.00	147.10
347.	227.	88.00	112.59
347.	228.	42.00	48.88
348.	229.	0.0	0.0
348.	230.	1.00	5.45
348.	239.	28.00	73.55
348.	240.	44.00	53.57
348.	241.	26.00	59.93
348.	305.	40.00	76.27
349.	294.	31.00	66.28
349.	295.	33.00	72.64
349.	303.	27.00	51.30
349.	304.	18.00	35.87
349.	308.	39.00	62.65
349.	309.	8.00	25.88
349.	312.	22.00	73.55
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
388.	264.	11.00	24.06
388.	266.	2.00	4.09
388.	273.	8.00	10.44
389.	268.	3.00	3.18
389.	271.	37.00	24.97
389.	272.	20.00	15.44
389.	274.	35.00	27.69
390.	277.	9.00	5.90
390.	278.	1.00	0.68
390.	321.	56.00	54.48
390.	322.	24.00	23.15
390.	329.	10.00	11.35
391.	276.	86.00	79.00
391.	324.	49.00	51.30
391.	326.	53.00	44.49
391.	328.	23.00	23.15
392.	323.	24.00	28.60
392.	325.	19.00	18.16

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3L

## COD

## NUMBERS

STRATUM	NO. SET	TOTAL	AV./SET	UNITS	TOTAL NO	VAR.
328	5	13.00	2.60	114023.	296459.	7.30
341	6	42.00	7.00	118151.	827058.	24.00
342	4	12.00	3.00	43913.	131738.	3.33
343	4	78.00	19.50	39409.	768470.	121.67
344	2	285.00	142.50	112146.	15980790.	1104.50
345	4	67.00	16.75	107492.	1800491.	39.58
346	4	85.00	21.25	64931.	1379774.	168.92
347	4	311.00	77.75	73788.	5737026.	606.92
348	6	139.00	23.17	159136.	3686653.	355.37
349	7	178.00	25.43	158686.	4035151.	107.62
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
388	3	21.00	7.00	27098.	189687.	21.00
389	4	95.00	23.75	61628.	1463658.	248.92
390	5	100.00	20.00	111170.	2223402.	473.50
391	4	211.00	52.75	21168.	1116618.	668.25
392	2	43.00	21.50	10884.	234013.	12.50
TOTAL		TOTAL			AVERAGE	
91499280.		UPPER	LOWER	MEAN	UPPER	LOWER
		113918352.	69080160.	33.14	41.27	25.02

EFFECTIVE DEGREES OF FREEDOM= 21  
STUDENT'S T-VALUE= 2.08 ALPHA=0.05

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3L

## COD

## WEIGHTS

STRATUM	NO. SETS	TOTAL	AV./SET	UNITS	TOTAL NO	VAR.
328	5	22.71	4.54	114023.	517890.	18.94
341	6	125.31	20.88	118151.	2467583.	250.91
342	4	37.23	9.31	43913.	408716.	72.76
343	4	120.76	30.19	39409.	1189748.	508.70
344	2	345.95	172.97	112146.	15398432.	626.93
345	4	180.24	45.06	107492.	4843587.	400.47
346	4	131.66	32.91	64931.	2137188.	89.29
347	4	417.68	104.42	73788.	7704945.	1677.11
348	6	268.77	44.79	159136.	7128497.	1135.64
349	7	388.17	55.45	158686.	8799568.	344.54
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
388	3	38.59	12.86	27098.	348573.	104.10
389	4	71.28	17.82	61628.	1098205.	122.84
390	5	95.56	19.11	111170.	2124681.	460.44
391	4	197.94	49.48	21168.	1047504.	530.97
392	2	46.76	23.38	10884.	254475.	54.50
TOTAL		TOTAL			AVERAGE	
129181424.		UPPER	LOWER	MEAN	UPPER	LOWER
		155749360.	102613456.	46.79	56.42	37.17

EFFECTIVE DEGREES OF FREEDOM= 26  
STUDENT'S T-VALUE= 2.06 ALPHA=0.05



Example B. This example will use the same data as Example A with the addition of the use of the COMSTR option to combine certain strata and the use of the LOG transform with the INVARIANCE option for calculations. The control statements required are as follows:

```
?START
TITLE=EXAMPLE B: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD COMBINING STRATA
?SELECT1
VESSEL=03
TRIP=79290
ICNAF=3L
SPECIES=COD
TOW=1.8
WING=45.0
?SELECT2
COMSTR=(1) 328,341,342,343,344,345
COMSTR=(2) 346,347,348,349
?ESTIMATE
TRANSFORM=LOG
CALCULATION=INVARIANCE
METHOD=STANDARD
ALPHA=0.05
?END
?FINISH
```

The output is presented as for Example A.

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## STRATIFIED ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

CARD DECK FOR SELECTION # 1  
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?START
TITLE=EXAMPLE B: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD COMBINING STRATA

?SELECT1
VESSEL=03
TRIP=79290
ICNAF=3L
SPECIES=COD
TOW=1.8
WING=45.0

?SELECT2
COMSTR=(1) 328,341,342,343,344,345
COMSTR=(2) 346,347,348,349

?ESTIMATE
TRANSFORM=LOG
CALCULATION=INVARIANCE
METHOD=STANDARD
ALPHA=0.05

?END

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ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979
      VESSEL 3
      ICNAF 3L

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SET # 211 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.
SET # 267 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.
SET # 286 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.
SET # 327 TRIP # 290 YEAR 79 VESSEL # 03 WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN DROPPED.

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NUMBER OF VALID SETS FOUND 140

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ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3L

NUMBERS AND WEIGHTS PER STANDARD 30 MINUTE TOW

STRATA COMBINED

CODE	STRATUM NO.					
A	345	344	343	342	341	328
B	349	348	347	346		

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## EXAMPLE B: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD COMBINING STRATA

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979

VESSEL 3

ICNAF 3L

COD

## NUMBERS

STRATUM	NO. SETS	TCTAL	AV./SET	UNITS	TOTAL NO	VAR.
A	25	195.79	7.83	535133.	4190884.	19.89
B	21	471.66	22.46	456541.	10253866.	64.80
350	9	191.17	21.24	155458.	3302085.	74.87
363	8	139.72	17.46	133614.	2333498.	81.88
364	8	123.89	15.49	211456.	3274553.	22.27
391	4	190.91	47.73	21168.	1010300.	42.67
392	2	42.72	21.36	10884.	232496.	1.18
TOTAL		TOTAL	LOWER	MEAN	AVERAGE	LOWER
42229856.		UPPER	38316432.	15.30	UPPER	13.88
		46143264.			16.71	

EFFECTIVE DEGREES OF FREEDOM= 18  
STUDENTS T-VALUE= 2.10 ALPHA=0.05

## EXAMPLE B: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L COD COMBINING STRATA

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979

VESSEL 3

ICNAF 3L

COD

## WEIGHTS

STRATUM	NO. SETS	TCTAL	AV./SET	UNITS	TOTAL NO	VAR.
A	25	357.27	14.29	535133.	7647468.	56.81
B	21	872.07	41.53	456541.	18958720.	145.85
350	9	383.82	42.65	155458.	6629701.	182.83
363	8	290.33	36.29	133614.	4849080.	205.78
364	8	234.65	29.33	211456.	6202374.	37.66
391	4	181.21	45.30	21168.	958972.	34.32
392	2	45.63	22.81	10884.	248321.	4.90
TOTAL		TOTAL	LOWER	MEAN	AVERAGE	LOWER
67298240.		UPPER	62549536.	24.38	UPPER	22.66
		72046912.			26.10	

EFFECTIVE DEGREES OF FREEDOM= 35  
STUDENTS T-VALUE= 2.03 ALPHA=0.05

## II PROGRAM = AGELENGTH

EXAMPLE A. To demonstrate the AGELENGTH program we will use the SELSTR option in order to reduce the amount of output. The data used will form the same research cruise as in the first two example but the species of concern will be American Plaice. Only one sex, males, is to be analysed. The control statements required are shown below.

```
?START
TITLE=EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH
PROGRAM=AGELENGTH ?SELECT1
VESSEL=03
TRIP=79290
ICNAF=3L
SPECIES=COD
TOW=1.8
WING=45.0
?SELECT2
SEX=MALE
?AGELENGTH SEXES=ONE ?ESTIMATE
METHOD=STANDARD
ALPHA=0.05
?END
/FINISH
```

The output that results from these statements can be divided into five sections. Sections one and two are identical to those produced for the NOAGELENGTH option shown previously.

The third section of the output gives the AGE-LENGTH key used for this analysis.

Section Four lists the set details for this analysis. Note that the output for each set lists the results by age.

The final section of the output presents the summary table for this run. Again, the results are presented by age group.

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## STRATIFIED ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

CARD DECK FOR SELECTION # 1

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?START  
 TITLE=EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH  
 PROGRAM=AGELENGTH

?SELECT1  
 VESSEL=03  
 TRIP=79290  
 ICNAF=3L  
 SPECIES=AMPLAICE  
 TOW=1.8  
 WING=45.0

?SELECT2  
 SELSTR=328,341,342,343

?SELECT3  
 SEX=MALE

?AGELENGTH  
 SEXES=ONE

?ESTIMATE  
 METHOD=STANDARD  
 ALPHA=0.05

?END

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ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
 VESSEL 3  
 ICNAF 3L

NUMBER OF VALID AGE & GROWTH RECORDS FOUND 433

NUMBER OF VALID SETS FOUND 19

NUMBER OF MALE FREQUENCIES FOUND 19

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979

VESSEL 3

ICNAF 3L

AGE/LENGTH KEY

SPECIES: AM PLAICE

SEX: MALE

LENGTH	AGE IN YEARS																													SUM
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	29+
4.5	3	1																												4
6.5		5																												5
8.5		1	6																											7
10.5			2	1																										3
12.5				6	4																									10
14.5				10	6	1																								17
16.5				2	15	2																								19
18.5					7	13																								20
20.5					3	15	3	1																						22
22.5					1	9	9	1																						20
24.5						2	13	7																						22
26.5						2	6	7	2	1	1																			19
28.5						2	5	12	1	2																				22
30.5							3	6	5	4	1																			19
32.5								5	7	12	5	1																		30
34.5								2	3	10	6	3																		24
36.5								1	4	12	8	3																		28
38.5									2	5	15	4																		26
40.5									1	6	14	6																		27
42.5							1			1	6	14	6	1																29
44.5									1		4	7	7	2																21
46.5										5	5	7	2																	19
48.5											3	6	5																	14
50.5												4	2																	6
	3	7	8	19	36	46	48	51	55	70	48	30	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	433



## AGE COMPOSITION—NUMBERS PER STANDARD TOW

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3LSPECIES: AM PLAICE  
STRATUM:328  
SEX: MALE

AGE IN YEARS	SET DETAILS					SET STATISTICS		TOTAL ABUNDANCE (1000'S)
	348	349	350	351	352	AVG.	VAR.	
1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.0	0.0	3.01	2.50	2.77	0.0	1.66	2.32	188.90
5.0	0.49	11.10	8.19	7.15	0.29	5.44	23.40	620.54
6.0	2.66	18.13	10.37	9.04	3.60	8.76	38.56	998.88
7.0	8.77	17.38	10.34	3.48	8.54	9.70	25.11	1106.15
8.0	12.93	15.11	6.17	2.28	8.12	8.92	26.69	1017.36
9.0	13.31	8.42	1.19	0.61	4.41	5.59	28.27	637.23
10.0	10.74	6.54	0.85	0.48	3.62	4.45	18.33	507.11
11.0	3.67	2.30	0.39	0.18	1.43	1.60	2.08	181.89
12.0	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.07	0.02	7.60
13.0	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.02	0.00	2.17
UNKNOWN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	53.00	82.00	40.00	26.00	30.00	46.20	509.20	5267.83

ESTIMATION TYPE: STANDARD TRANSFORMATION TYPE: NONE

# AGE COMPOSITION-NUMBERS PER STANDARD TOW

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
VESSEL 3  
ICNAF 3L

SPECIES: AM PLAICE  
STRATUM: 343  
SEX: MALE

AGE IN YEARS	SET DETAILS				SET STATISTICS		TOTAL ABUNDANCE (1000'S)
	301	302	306	307	AVG.	VAR.	
1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.0	0.0	0.0	0.11	0.0	0.03	0.00	1.04
5.0	1.66	1.75	1.96	1.46	1.71	0.04	67.25
6.0	19.08	21.42	8.88	17.35	16.68	29.86	657.36
7.0	58.31	72.85	24.65	50.84	51.66	407.86	2036.01
8.0	75.27	100.42	32.64	57.39	66.43	818.91	2617.89
9.0	49.56	76.20	23.96	36.69	46.60	498.68	1836.56
10.0	37.21	59.26	19.01	27.81	35.82	299.43	1411.76
11.0	13.80	19.86	6.56	11.31	12.88	30.67	507.69
12.0	1.69	0.21	0.21	1.77	0.97	0.78	38.19
13.0	0.41	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.22	0.04	8.48
UNKNOWN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	257.00	352.00	118.00	205.00	233.00	9581.95	9182.21

ESTIMATION TYPE: STANDARD TRANSFORMATION TYPE: NONE

## AGE COMPOSITION-NUMBERS PER STANDARD TOW

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979

VESSEL 3

ICNAF 3L

SPECIES: AM PLAICE

STRATUM:342

SEX: MALE

AGE IN YEARS	SET DETAILS				SET STATISTICS		TOTAL ABUNDANCE (1000'S)
	297	298	299	300	AVG.	VAR.	
1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.0	1.29	2.41	0.0	0.0	0.93	1.35	40.64
5.0	3.25	13.05	1.52	0.34	4.54	33.63	199.39
6.0	9.22	37.00	9.01	5.80	15.26	212.49	670.00
7.0	16.77	65.98	23.19	16.87	30.70	562.04	1348.33
8.0	16.90	78.21	23.90	23.17	35.55	819.05	1560.89
9.0	10.59	46.77	12.84	13.57	20.94	297.97	919.71
10.0	9.77	36.12	9.20	10.95	16.51	171.47	725.05
11.0	3.20	12.03	3.66	3.82	5.68	18.01	249.32
12.0	0.0	0.33	0.54	0.37	0.31	0.05	13.63
13.0	0.0	0.10	0.13	0.11	0.08	0.00	3.63
UNKNOWN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	71.00	292.00	84.00	75.00	130.50	11621.62	5730.57

ESTIMATION TYPE:STANDARD TRANSFORMATION TYPE:NONE

## AGE COMPOSITION-NUMBERS PER STANDARD TOW

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH

ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979

VESSEL 3

ICNAF 3L

SPECIES: AM PLAICE

STRATUM:341

SEX: MALE

AGE IN YEARS	SET DETAILS						SET STATISTICS		TOTAL ABUNDANCE
	296	345	346	347	353	354	AVG.	VAR.	(1000'S)
1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.0	1.18	3.26	1.98	0.0	0.11	1.93	1.41	1.55	166.18
5.0	2.07	8.92	5.11	3.23	6.35	14.04	6.62	18.99	792.30
6.0	10.65	29.30	15.00	20.56	23.35	35.66	22.42	84.10	2648.90
7.0	21.40	56.05	33.82	29.29	35.97	31.12	34.61	135.42	4088.92
8.0	27.30	66.84	48.05	24.98	43.07	27.05	39.55	269.60	4672.75
9.0	16.67	40.76	39.14	13.36	25.05	12.57	24.59	161.31	2905.46
10.0	14.72	34.14	35.00	10.87	22.00	11.88	21.44	118.73	2532.59
11.0	5.34	14.02	12.96	3.70	6.86	4.81	7.95	19.58	939.03
12.0	0.54	3.34	2.31	0.0	0.21	0.78	1.20	1.77	141.44
13.0	0.13	1.37	0.64	0.0	0.03	0.17	0.39	0.28	46.26
UNKNOWN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	100.00	258.00	194.00	106.00	163.00	140.00	160.17	3536.94	18923.80

ESTIMATION TYPE:STANDARD TRANSFORMATION TYPE:NONE

EXAMPLE A: A.T. CAMERON TRIP 290/79 3L AM PLAICE AGELENGTH  
 ANALYSIS FOR TRIP 290 1979  
 VESSEL 3  
 ICNAF 3L

# AGE COMPOSITION-NUMBERS PER STANDARD TOW

SUMMARY TABLE  
 SPECIES: AM PLAICE  
 SEX: MALE

AGE IN YEARS	TOTAL NUMBERS	UPPER LIMIT	LOWER LIMIT	MEAN PER TOW	UPPER LIMIT	LOWER LIMIT	D.F.
1.0	0.	0.	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
2.0	0.	0.	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
3.0	0.	0.	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
4.0	396755.	630607.	162903.	1.26	2.00	0.52	8
5.0	1669478.	2445332.	893624.	5.29	7.75	2.83	10
6.0	4975141.	6370190.	3580088.	15.77	20.19	11.35	12
7.0	8579405.	10539873.	6618933.	27.19	33.41	20.98	12
8.0	9868883.	12481855.	7255906.	31.28	39.56	23.00	11
9.0	6298951.	8230664.	4367236.	19.97	26.09	13.84	12
10.0	5176502.	6751893.	3601109.	16.41	21.40	11.41	12
11.0	1877922.	2473936.	1281908.	5.95	7.84	4.06	10
12.0	200862.	373378.	28345.	0.64	1.18	0.09	5
13.0	60540.	127831.	-6751.	0.19	0.41	-0.02	5
UNKNOWN	0.	0.	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
TOTAL	39104416.	48570432.	29638400.	123.95	153.95	93.94	12

ESTIMATION TYPE: STANDARD TRANSFORMATION TYPE: NONE

CONFIDENCE LEVEL: 0.95%

\*\*\*\*-ONE OR MORE OF THE LOWER LIMITS IN THE ABOVE  
 TABLE IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO ZERO. VARIANCE IS TOO LARGE FOR  
 VALID CONFIDENCE LIMITS \*\*\*\*

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## APPENDIX 1: FILE SPECIFICATIONS AND SAMPLE JOB STREAMS

Depending on the application being run (AGELENGTH or NOAGELENGTH) the STRAP program may read data from a variety of master files. The table given below summarizes the file usage by the program.

File name	Contents	When required
FT17F001	<p>Contains stratum areas records. Each record has the following format:</p> <p>Cols 1-3 - Identifying stratum number. Must be numeric and unique within the file.</p> <p>Cols 4-7 - Area of the stratum in square nautical miles.</p> <p>Cols 8-11 - Upper limit of depth range for the stratum.</p> <p>Note: The STRAP program assumes that this file is sorted by ascending order of stratum number.</p>	Both AGELENGTH and NOAGELENGTH
FT19F001	<p>Contains the set details records. Layouts of the records in this file are given in Appendix 2</p> <p>Note: The STRAP program assumes that this file is sorted such that the "catch" records follow directly the set to which they belong.</p>	Both AGELENGTH and NOAGELENGTH
SPECIN	Contains the program control statements required for the run. Format of these statements is described in this report.	Both AGELENGTH and NOAGELENGTH
FT18F001	Contains the age and growth records. Layout of these records is given in Appendix 2.	Only for an AGELENGTH run
FT16F001	Contains the length frequency records. Layout of these records is given in Appendix 2.	Only for an AGELENGTH run

- B. Sample job stream for a NOAGELENGTH run. This particular set of job control statements was used to produce the Example B output in this report.

```
// EXEC STRAP
//FT17F001 DD DSN=G70141R.STRATUM.AREAS,DISP=SHR,DCB=BUFNO=1
//FT19F001 DD DSN=F7014100.TRIPS,UNIT=(TAPE,,DEFER),VOL=SER=000461,
//          DISP=OLD
//SPECIN DD DSN=G70141R.EXAMPLEB.DATA,DISP=SHR
```

- C. Sample job stream for an AGELENGTH run. This particular set of job control statements was used to produce the Example A AGELENGTH output in this report.

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// EXEC STRAP
//FT17F001 DD DSN=G70141R.STRATUM.AREAS,DISP=SHR,DCB=BUFNO=1
//FT18F001 DD DSN=F7010500.PLA.AANDG,UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=004842,
//          DISP=OLD,LABEL=(9,SL)
//FT19F001 DD DSN=F7014100.TRIPS,UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=000461,
//          DISP=OLD
//FT16F001 DD DSN=F7010500.PLA.FREQ,UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=002241,
//          DISP=OLD
//          DD DSN=F7010500.PLA.FREQ,UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=002241,
//          DISP=OLD,LABEL=(2,SL)
//SPECIN DD DSN=G70141R.EXAMPLEC.DATA,DISP=SHR
```



APPENDIX 2: DATA FORMATS - ST. JOHN'S CODING SPECS  
 A: GROUND FISH RESEARCH SET DETAILS (CODING SPECIFICATIONS)

SET RECORD CARD FORMAT

<u>No.</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Card Columns</u>
1	Card type	1
2	Vessel	2-3
3	Trip No.	4-6
4	Set No.	7-9
5	Year	10-11
6	Month	12-13
7	Day	14-15
8	Set type	16-17
9	Stratum or Line	18-20
10	ICNAF Division	21-22
11	Unit Area	23-25
12	Light Condition	26-28
13	Wind Direction	29
14	Wind Force	30
15	Sea	31
16	Type Bottom	32
17	Time (Midpoint)	33-36
18	Duration of Set	37-39
19	Distance Towed	40-42
20	Operation of Gear	43
21	Depth (Mean)	44-47
22	Depth (Minimum)	48-51
23	Depth (Maximum)	52-55
24	Depth (Bottom if MWT)	56-59
25	Temperature (Surface)	60-62
26	Temperature (Fishing Depth)	63-65
27	Position (Latitude)	66-70
28	Position (Longitude)	71-75
29	Position Method	76
30	Gear	77-80

CATCH RECORD CARD FORMAT

<u>No</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Card Columns</u>	
1	Card Type	1	
2-20		2-43	Same as Set Record
21	Species	47-50	
22	Catch Number	55-60	
23	Catch Weight	64-70	

Note: When the set and catch records are transferred to magnetic tape storage the records are expanded to 97 columns as follows:

- (1) For a set record columns 1-80 are identical to the card format and column 81-97 are blank.
- (2) For a catch record columns 1-80 are identical to the set record to which the catch record belongs and

Columns 81-84 = species code

Columns 85-90 = catch number for the species

Columns 91-97 = catch weight for the species (in kilograms to 2 decimal places)

## Set Record

Card Type

1  
(1)

Card Type

5 = set record

6 = catch record

Vessel			<u>New</u>	<u>Old</u>
	2-3	Inv II	1	1
	(2)	MARINUS	2	2
		A.T. CAMERON	3	3
		PARR	4	4
		MATTHEW	5	5
		E.E. PRINCE	6	6
		SHAMOOK	7	7
		ANTON DOHRN	8	8
		Charter Boat	9	9
		BEOTHIC VENTURE	10	B
		WALTHER HERWIG	11	H
		CAPE FAREWELL	12	F
		GULF GUNN	13	G
		HILLSBOROUGH	14	A
		KESTREL	15	K
		CAPE HUNTER	16	C
		ZERMATT	17	Z
		CRYOS	18	D
		SPANISH PAIRS	19	S
		GADIS ATLANTICA	20	X
		NFLD. HAWK	21	E
		CANSO CONDOR	22	
		LRNST HAECKEL	23	
		KRISTINA LOGOS	24	
		ZAGREB	25	

Trip No.	4-6 (3)	Actual trip number of vessel	
Set No.	7-9 (3)	Actual set number of vessel. Should start with 1 in January of each year.	
Year	10-11 (2)	1977=77	
Month	12-13 (2)	Jan=01	Dec=12

Day

14-15  
(2)

Actual day

Set Type

16-17  
(2)

Survey	1
Sampling	2
Searching	3
Tagging	4
Savings Gear	5
Experimental	6
Diurnal Studies	8
Other	7
Food & Feeding	9

Stratum  
or Line18-20  
(3)Actual stratum fished  
" line fished

Division	21-22 (2)	Subarea 0 = 0- 1A-1F 2G-2J 3K            3N            3Q=3PN 3L            3Ø 3M            3P=3Ps 4R            4U=4VN 4S            4V=4VS 4T            4W
Unit Area	23-25 (3)	Nfld. area grid map - square eg. L30, K29, P16, etc

Light Condition

26-28  
(3)

Light Meter

Light readings in foot candles  
0-975Prorating of light intensity  
976-993

General use:

Dark	994
Moon light	995
Dusk & Dawn	996
Dull (overcast, fog, rain)	997
Bright but hazy	998
Bright sunlight	999



Wind Direction

29

(1)

Calm = 0

S = 5

N = 1

SW = 6

NE = 2

W = 7

E = 3

NW = 8

SE = 4

code to the nearest direction

Wind force

30

(1)

Beaufort Scale (0-9)

Sea

31

(1)

Standard Sea Code (0-9)

Type of Bottom	32	Mud	1
	(1)	Sandy Mud	2
		Sand (Sand & Shells)	3
		Fine Gravel (Sand & Gravel)	4
		Coarse Gravel (Rock & Gravel)	5
		Boulders	6
		Rocks	7
		Other	8

Time (Midpoint)	33-36	24 hour clock in NST
	(4)	3.15 PM = 1515

Duration of Set	37-39	Length of set in minutes
	(3)	

Distance	40-42	Distance towed in nautical miles
	(3)	to 1 decimal
		2.5 miles = 025

## Operation of Gear

43  
(1)

- 1- Normal, no damage.
- 2- Normal, some damage to net, but catch not affected.
- 3- Unsuccessful, net badly damaged and catch affected. Usually repeated in same position.
- 4- Unsuccessful, depth range covered was too large.
- 5- Unsuccessful, not due to damage. e.g.: Net not on bottom. Doors locked. Codend untied, etc.

Depth (Mean)	44-47 (4)	Actual mean depth fished in meters. Usually derived by reading sounder paper for the set. If MWT is used this depth is mean depth of net from the surface.
Depth (Minimum)	48-51 (4)	Actual minimum depth recorded on sounder during set in Meters. If MWT is used this is the minimum depth of the net from surface during the set.
Depth (Maximum)	52-55 (4)	Actual maximum depth recorded on sounder during set in Meters. If MWT is used this is the maximum depth of the net from the surface.
Depth (Bottom if Midwater Gear)	56-59 (4)	Mean depth of bottom in Meters over which MWT gear was fished.
Temperature (Surface)	60-62 (3)	Surface temperature in degrees Celcius. 9 in first position designates Minus. e.g. 1.2 = 012, 0.0 = 900, -1.2 = 912.
Temperature (Fishing Depth or Bottom)	63-65 (3)	Bottom or fishing depth (if MWT) temperature in degrees Celcius. 9 in first position designates minus. e.g. 1.2 = 012, 0.0 = 900, -1.2 = 912.

Position (Latitude)	66-70 (5)	Latitude at start of set in degrees and minutes (to 1 decimal) 47°30'30" = 47305
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Position (Longitude)	71-75 (5)	Longitude at start of set in degrees and minutes (to 1 decimal) 57°45'30" = 57455
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Position Method	76	Unknown	0
	(1)	Dead Reckoning	1
		Radar	2
		Decca	3
		Loran	4
		Satellite navigation	5

Gear	77-80 (4)	See Appendix A
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## CATCH RECORD

Card Type

1  
(1)

Card Type

-6

2-43

Duplicate card columns 2-43 from  
the set record card.

Species

47-50  
(4)

Species code

Number

55-60  
(6)

Catch number of the above species.

Weight

64-70

Catch weight of the above species  
in kilograms to 2 decimals.

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 B: GROUND FISH RESEARCH AGE AND GROWTH (CODING SPECIFICATIONS)

AGE AND GROWTH

RESEARCH

<u>No.</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Card Columns</u>
1	Card Type	1
2	Species	2-4
3	Vessel	5-6
4	Trip	7-9
5	Set No.	10-12
6	Year	13-14
7	Month	15-16
8	Day	17-18
9	Gear	19-22
10	ICNAF Division	23-24
11	Unit Area	25-27
12	Depth Fished	28-31
13	Depth Bottom	32-35
14	Temperature	36-38
15	Sample Type	39
16	Specimen No.	40-44
17	Length	45-47
18	Sex	48
19	Maturity	49-51
20	Age	52-53
21	Edge	54
22	Reliability	55
23	Spawning Age	56-57
24	Round Weight	58-61
25	Gutted Weight	62-65
26	Gonad Weight	66-69
27	Stomach	70-74
28	Girth	75-77
29	Parasite Type	78
30	No. of Parasites	79-80

Card Type

1  
(1)

Standard ageing sheet 1



Species	2-4 (3)		
Cod			103
Haddock			203
Redfish Ment.			303
Redfish Marinus			313
Halibut *			403
Am. Plaice			503
Yellowtail			513
Witch			523
Turbot			533
Rock cod			113
Blue hake			701

Vessel	5-6 (2)		
Inv. II			1
Marinus			2
A.T. Cameron			3
Parr			4
Matthew			5
E.E. Prince			6
Shamook			7
Anton Dohrn			8
Charter Boat			9
Beothic Venture			10
Walter Herwig			11
Cape Farewell			12
Gulf Gunn			13
Hillsborough			14
Nfld. Kestrel			15
Cape Hunter			16
Zermatt			17
Cryos			18
Spanish Pairs			19
Gadus Atlantica			20
Nfld. Hawk			21
Canso Condor			22
Ernst Heckel			23
Kristina Logos			24

Trip	7-9 (3)	Actual trip number of vessel
Set No.	10-12 (3)	Actual set number of vessel. Consecutive numbers starting in January of each year with 1.
Year	13-14 (2)	1977 = 77
Month	15-16 (2)	Jan = 01, Dec = 12
Day	17-18 (2)	Actual day
Gear	19-22 (4)	Otter trawl 10 "   " (lined) 11 "   " (covered) 12 "   " (ATC B (5-3)) 13 "   " ( " C (5-4)) 14 "   " ( " D (5-4.5)) 15 "   " ( " E (5 3/8-5)) 16
* Left justify in Col 19-20		

Gillnet by size:  
 3 1/2" mesh - 8350  
 5" mesh - 8500  
 6" mesh - 8600  
 7" mesh - 8700  
 8" mesh - 8800

Midwater trawl	30
Danish seine	40
Purse seine	50
Trap (cod)	60
Trap (herring)	61
Pair trawl	70
Shrimp trawl	71
Gillnet	80
Longline	90
Linetrawl	91
Handline	92
Jigger	93
Spinner	94
Beach seine	45

Division

23-24  
(2)

Area Zero = 0-

1A - 1F  
 1U = Subarea 1  
 2G - 2J  
 2U = Subarea 2  
 3K - 3Ø  
 3P = 3PS  
 3Q = 3PN  
 3U = Subarea 3  
 4R - 4T  
 4U = 4VN  
 4V = 4VS  
 4W - 4X  
 4Z = Subarea 4

Unit Area	25-27 (3)	Squared map grid eg: K29, L30, etc.
Depth Fished	28-31 (4)	Actual depth fished in meters
Depth (Bottom)	32-35 (4)	Actual bottom depth in meters. Use where depth fished is not bottom depth such as midwater trawl.
Temperature	36-38 (3)	Degrees celcius to 1 decimal. 9 in leftmost position designates minus. eg: 1.2 = 012, 0.0 = 900, -1.2 = 912
Sample type	39 (1)	Sea Random 1 Sea Category 2 Lab Random 5 Lab Category 6 Sea Stratified 8 Lab Stratified 9 Tagging rejects 3
Specimen No.	40-44 (5)	Consecutive Numbers 1 - 99999

Length	45-47 (3)	Actual length in centimeters	
Sex	48 (1)	Male Female Unknown	1 5 Blank
Maturity	49-51	See Appendix A.2	
Age	52-53 (2)	Actual age in years	
Edge	54 (1)	NT T NØ Ø-CØ, WØ, Ø Ø + NT Ø Tip	1 2 3 4 5 6
Ø+NT used only when T edge is considered to be that of the next year zone.			
Reliability	55 (1)	Poor Fair Good Excellent	1 2 3 4

Spawning age	56-67 (2)	Age at first spawning in years
Round weight	58-61 (4)	KGS to 2 decimals 2.55 KGS = 0255
Gutted weight	62-65 (4)	KGS to 2 decimals 1.99 KGS = 0199
Gonad weight	66-69 (4)	Grams 650 grams = 0650
Stomach	70-74 (5)	Col 70 = degree of fullness in 10ths 10/10 = 9 Col 71-72 = main stomach content Col 73-74 = secondary stomach content  See Appendix A.3 for stomach content codes.
Girth	75-77 (3)	Millimeters
Parasite type	78 (1)	Lernaeocera 1 Sphyrion 2 Old Heads 3
No. of parasites	79-80 (2)	Actual number of above parasite.

APPENDIX A.2  
COD AND HADDOCK MATURITY CODES

Col. 42-44

<u>MALE</u>		<u>FEMALE</u>	
Immature	100	Immature	500
Spent L	110	<u>Spent L</u>	
Mat P	140	No observation on old eggs	510
- Mat A-P	141	Old eggs present	511
- Mat B-P	142	No old eggs present	512
Partly spent	150	Mat A-P	520
Spent P	160	Mat B-P	530
<u>Spent P Mat N</u>		Mat C-P	540
Milt in testes & VD	170	<u>Spent P</u>	
Milt in testes	171	No observation on old eggs	560
Milt in VD	172	Old eggs present	561
No milt	173	No old eggs present	562
No observation on milt	174	<u>Spent P Mat AN</u>	
Mat N	180	No observation on old eggs	570
Mat N (IMM)	190	Old eggs present	571
Mat	200	No old eggs present	572
Imm condition	210	Mat A-N	580
Doubtful	220	Mat A-N (IMM)	590
<u>Spent L Mat P</u>		Mat	600
No observation on milt	250	IMM condition	610
Milt in testes & VD	251	Doubtful	620
Milt in testes	252	<u>Spent L Mat AP</u>	
Milt in VD	253	No observation on old eggs	650
No milt	254	Old eggs present	651
Other	300	No old eggs present	652
No maturity	310	Other	700
		No maturity	710

Maturity Unknown = blank

APPENDIX A.2  
FLOUNDER MATURITY CODES

Col. 42-44

<u>MALE</u>		<u>FEMALE</u>	
Immature	10	Immature	50
Spent L	11	Spent L	51
	12	Mat A-P	52
	13	Mat B-P	53
Mat P	14	Mat C-P	54
Partly spent	15	Partly spent	55
Spent P	16	Spent P	56
Spent P Mat N	17	Spent P Mat A-N	57
Mat N	18	Mat A-N	58
Mat N (IMM)	19	Mat A-N (IMM)	59
Mat	20	Mat	60
IMM condition	21	IMM condition	61
Doubtful	22	Doubtful	62
No maturity	23	No maturity	63
Spent L Mat P	25	Spent L Mat A-P	65
Other abnormal	30	Other abnormal	70



## APPENDIX A.1

## GEAR CODES

## Research Vessels

Col 77-80

	Manilla	Nylon	Courlene
Lined O/T	0001	0041	0051
Covered O/T	0100	0140	0150

	<u>Codend Size</u>				
	3"	4"	4.5"	5"	6"
Standard Net (No liner or cover, by Codend size)	0002	0003	0004	0005	0006

	<u>Roller Type</u>		
Standard lined net variations in rollers	Disc 0010	Rubber 0011	Steel 0012

35A Marlinus Net, Unlined, 3.5" codend, used on Inv	0200
" " " Lined, " " " " "	0201
" " " Covered, " " " " "	0202

3/4 35 Net, lined, used on one warp	0203
" " " " used on two warps	0204

36 Net, standard, unlined	0209
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Redfish Net, Unlined, rubber rollers	0210
" " " wooden rollers	0213
" " " rollers not specified	0212

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Floatless Net, unlined	0215
Pacific Coast Net, Unlined	0216
Balloon Net	0217
Westerbeke	0218
	3900
Danish Seine	4000
Purse Seine	5000
Trap	6000
Midwater Trawl	7250
Standard Net - 35, 36, 41.5, etc. used midwater	7251
Beam Trawl	7300
Gill Net	
(No. of nets may be designated by using: 8 nets = 8008)	8000
Longline, Type not specified	9000
" Japanese	9002
" Midwater	9003
" Deep water	9004
" Overnight set	9005
Linetrawl	9100
Shrimp Net	9400

## APPENDIX A.1

Mesh Experiments on INV II

Nets unlined and without cover, coded by codend size.

	3 mesh codend	0030
3.5	" "	0035
4	" "	0040
4.5	" "	0045
5	" "	0050
5.5	" "	0055
6	" "	0060

Mesh Experiments on MARINUS

35 + 35A net - no liner or cover

	3 mesh codend	3003
4	" "	3004
5	" "	3005

<u>Net</u>	<u>Mesh</u>	<u>Floats</u>	<u>Rollers</u>	<u>Code</u>
B	$\frac{6-4}{6-4}$	19	18' 6" 36' 6"	3011
C	$\frac{4-4}{4-4}$	19	"	3012
D	$\frac{8-4}{8-4}$	19	"	3013
E	$\frac{12-4}{12-4}$	19	"	3014
E	"	24	"	3015
E	$\frac{12-4}{12-4}$	39	18' 6" 36' 6"	3016
F	$\frac{6-3}{6-3}$	19	"	3017
F	"	5	"	3018
F	"	10	"	3019

<u>Net</u>	<u>Mesh</u>	<u>Floats</u>	<u>Rollers</u>	<u>Code</u>
F	$\frac{6-3}{6-3}$	19	46'	3021
F	"	29	18' 6" 36' 6"	3022
F	" ( $\frac{1}{2}$ wing)	10	"	3023
F	" "	19	"	3024
G	$\frac{8-3}{8-3}$	19	"	3025
G	"	10	"	3026
H	$\frac{8-3}{6-3}$	19	"	3027
H	"	10	"	3028
I	$\frac{12-3}{6-3}$	19	"	3029
I	"	5	"	3030
I	$\frac{12-3}{6-3}$	10	18' 6" 36' 6"	3031
J	$\frac{6-3}{4\frac{1}{2}-3}$	19	"	3032
J	"	10	"	3039
K	$\frac{8-3}{4\frac{1}{2}-3}$	19	"	3033
L	$\frac{12-3}{4\frac{1}{2}-3}$	19	"	3034
L	"	10	"	3035
L	"	29	"	3036
M	$\frac{4\frac{1}{2}-3}{4\frac{1}{2}-3}$	19	"	3037
M	"	10	"	3038

#### Mesh Experiments on ATC

Gear has not been coded.  
Gear field is left blank.

Stramin Net	Size not specified	7000
" "	2 meter	7002
" "	3 meter	7003

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Handline	9500
Jigger - Type not specified	9550
" - Norwegian	9551
- Squid	9552
- Nfld.	9553
 Spinner	 9600
 Sneller Reel	 9601
 Lures	 9602
 Fish Pot, used with longline	 9700
 Dutch Herring Trawl	 9750
 Sand Eel trawl (used ATC 148)	 9760
 Standard 36 net lined throughout with 1 1/8" netting	 9762
 Norwegian Shrimp Trawl	 9763
 Commercial Otter Trawl (Portugese type used on ZERMATT)	 9764
 16 foot shrimp tryout	 9765
 Sputnik 1600 shrimp trawl	 9766

## APPENDIX A.2

REDFISH MATURITY CODING

	<u>Column</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>41</u>
Sex and maturity not known .....		0	1
Abnormal (not specified) <u>Male</u> .....		9	0
IMM Condition <u>Male</u> .....		9	1
Abnormal (not specified) <u>Female</u> .....		9	5
IMM Condition <u>Female</u> .....		9	6
Large number eggs not developing .....		9	7
10% or more eggs degenerating <u>Female</u> .....		9	8

MALES

Immature .....	1	0
Mat N (imm) or IMM, Mat N. ....	1	5
Mature .....	2	0
Mat P .....	2	1
Mat P, milt in VD .....	2	2
Partly spent .....	2	3
Spent, old milt in VD .....	2	4
Spent P (Spent) .....	2	5
Spent P, Mat N .....	2	6
Mat N .....	2	7
Spent L, Mat P .....	2	8
Spent L .....	2	9
Maturity not known or doubtful .....	3	0
Maturing .....	3	1

FEMALES

Maturity not known or doubtful .....	4	0
Immature .....	5	0
Mature .....	6	0
Mat AN (imm) .....	6	1
Mat AN .....	6	2
Mat AN Spent P) with or without OEP .....	6	3
Mat AP Spent L) .....	6	4
Mat AP .....	6	5
Mat B-C, clearing .....	6	6
Eggs clear no sign of development .....	6	7
Mature, eggs developing, stage not specified .....	7	0
Pre larval stage. Early cell division to cell cap stage .....	7	1
Pre larval stage. Neural fold to larvae completely round .....	7	2
Pre larval stage. No details .....	7	3
Larvae developing. No eye pigment .....	7	4

FEMALES - Continued

Larvae well developed. 1-20% hatched .....	7	7
Larvae well developed. 21-70% hatched .....	7	8
Larvae well developed. 71-95% hatched .....	7	9
Larvae well developed. 96-100% hatched. Larvae with well developed yolk sac	8	0
Larvae well developed. 96-100% hatched. Yolk sac used up larvae ready for extrusion	8	1
Partly spent, 1000 or more larvae remain .....	8	2
Spent P old larvae remain .....	8	3
Spent P OEP .....	8	4
Spent P .....	8	5
<b>Spent</b> L old larvae remain .....	8	6
<b>Spent</b> L OEP .....	8	7
Spent L .....	8	8

## APPENDIX A.3

CODING SHEET  
FOR COD STOMACH CONTENTS

01 Rock and wood	35 Sea mouse	69 Sculpin
02 Seaweed	36 Sea cucumber	70 Turbot
03 Seal	37 Sea squirt	71 Lumpfish
04 Whelk egg case	38 Starfish	72 4-Bearded rockling
05 Spawn	39 Mussel	73 Shanny
06 Skate egg case	40 Everted	74 Sea snail
07 Fish larvae	41 Scallop	75 Launce
08 Mackerel	42 Snipe eel	76 Rock eel
09 Cunner	43 Sand dollar	77 Smelt
10 Fish	44 Road crab	78 Wolf-eel
11 Cod	45 Tube worm	79 Witch
12 Herring	46 Sponge	80 Alligator fish
13 Redfish	47 Hake	81 Lumpenus maculatus
14 Capelin	48	82 Grenadier
15 Haddock	49 Dogfish	83 Stickleback
16 Deep sea fish	50 Arrow worms	84 Hagfish
17 Lantern fish	51 Sea gooseberry (ctenophore)	85 Gephyrean worm
18 American plaice	52 Whelk	86 Cumaceans
19 Offal and bait	53 Shrimp (other than Pandalus)	87 Sea Potato
20 Invertebrates	54 Sea anemones	88 Rock Gunnel (tansy)
21 Euphysiids	55 Pteropods (Blackberry)	89 Tape worm
22 Shrimp	56 Pteropods (Clione)	90 Thorny skate
23 Amphipods	57 Basket stars	91 Arctic cod
24 Crab	58 Lea louse (fish doctor)	92 Long nose eel
25 Brittlestars	59 Copepods	93 Isopods
26 Polychaete worms	60 Serrivomer	94 Blenny
27 Sea urchins	61 Stomias	95 Caprillids
28 Squid & Octopii	62 R.H. Grenadiers	96 Rock cod
29 Shellfish	63 Eelpout	97 Yellowtail
30 Digested	64 Lancet fish	98
31 Fluid	65 Viper fish	99
32 Jellyfish	66 Wolffish	03000 = Empty
33 Clams	67 Mailed sculpin	9---- = Full or 9/10
34 Sipunculid	68 Hook-eared sculpin	-4000 = Everted



APPENDIX 2: DATA FORMATS - ST. JOHN'S CODING SPECS  
 C: GROUND FISH RESEARCH LENGTH FREQUENCIES (CODING SPECIFICATIONS)

The following coding specs can be used for all species of groundfish research frequencies.

<u>Cols. 1-2 - Vessel</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>		
Inv. II	1	1	Canso Condour	22
Marinus	2	2	Ernst Haeckel	23
A.T. Cameron	3	3	Kirstina Logos	24
Parr	4	4	Zagreb	25
Mathew	5	5		
E.E. Prince	6	6		
Shamook	7	7		
Anton Dohrn	8	8		
Charter Boat	9	9		
Beothic Venture	B	10		
Walter Herwig	H	11		
Cape Farewell	F	12		
Gulf Gun	G	13		
Hillsborough	A	14		
Kestrel	K	15		
Cape Hunter	C	16		
Zermatt	Z	17		
Cryos	D	18		
Spanish Pairs	S	19		
Gadus Atlantica	X	20		
Newfoundland Hawk	E	21		

Cols. 3-5 - Cruise No.

Vessel trip number.

Cols. 6-8 - Stratum

Cols. 9-11 - Set

Cols. 12-13 - Day

Cols. 14-15 - Month

Cols. 16-17 - Year

Cols. 18-19 - ICNAF Division

Enter number and letter except:

3PN - 3Q  
 3Ps - 3P  
 4VN - 4U  
 4Vs - 4V  
 0 - 0-

Col. 20 - Type Experiment

Survey -	- 1	Savings Gear	- 5	food and feeding - 9
Sampling -	- 2	Experimental	- 6	
Searching -	- 3	Other	- 7	
Tagging -	- 4	Diurnal Studies	- 8	

Cols. 21-24 - Species

	<u>New</u>	<u>Old</u>
Cod	103	223
Haddock	203	227
Redfish (Mentella)	303	333
Redfish (Marinus)	313	334
Redfish (doubtful)	323	512
Greenland Halibut	533	513
Am. Plaice	503	515
Yellowtail	513	516
Witch	523	517
Atlantic Halibut	500	

For all other species, including the oddfish, use the groundfish distribution codes.

Cols. 25-28 - Number in Sample

Number of males and number of females.

Cols. 29-30 - Ratio

Ratio equals percentage of catch measured. If total catch is measured, code 00.

Col. 31 - Sex

For sexed frequencies use  $\frac{1}{5}$  to denote males - 1  
females - 5

For unsexed frequencies, leave blank.

Col. 32 - Gear

Otter trawl	- Blank	Shrimp trawl plus tickler chain	6
Midwater trawl	- 1	#41 semi-balloon trawl	7
Shrimp trawl	- 2	#16 shrimp tryout net	8
Longline	- 3		9
Handline	- 4		
Otter trawl plus tickler chain	- 5		

Use a letter in col. 32 for gears exceeding code 9

Col. 33 - Day and Night

Used for Redfish - Day	- 0600-1800	<u>Code</u> 1
- Night	- 1800-0600	2

Col. 34 - Blank

Col. 35 - Grouping

Oddfish - 1 cm grouping - code as 1  
 Redfish - 1 cm grouping - code as 1  
 Flatfish - 2 cm grouping - code as 2  
 Cod - 3 cm grouping - code as 3

Cols. 36-38 - Starting Length Group

Starting length in 14 cm group being punched.

Cols. 39-80 - (For Key punch Operator)

14-3 digit fields representing numbers in the 14 length groups starting with the length in the previous field.

When transfered to magnetic tape each length frequency has the following format:

Cols. 1-38 - as described above

Cols. 39-338 - 100 three digit fields representing the numbers for each length group (e.g. the numbers for length group 15 would be in the 15th field i.e. cols. 81-83).