

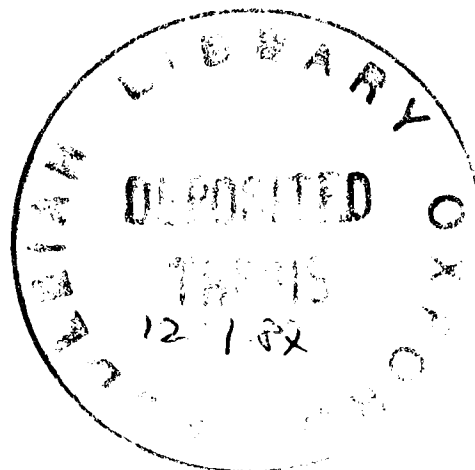
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## FIGURES

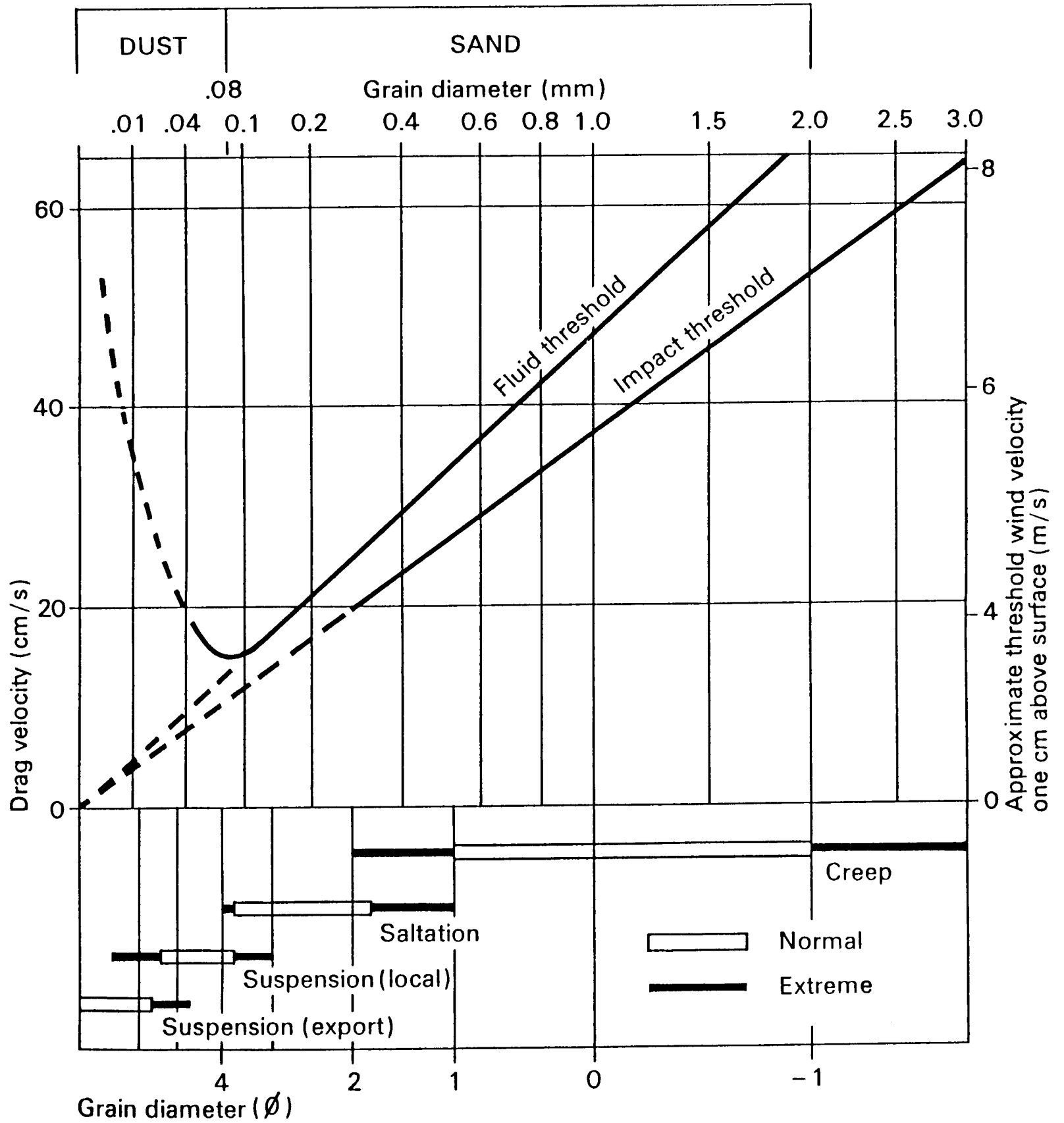


Figure 2.1 Relationship between grain size, fluid & impact threshold wind velocities, & characteristic modes of aeolian transport (after Cooke et al 1983)

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EROSIVITY		ERODIBILITY			
Wind Variables		Debris Variables		Surface Variables	
Velocity	-	Particle Size	+ -	Vegetation - residue	+
Frequency	-	Soil Clods and Cohesive Properties	+	height	+
Duration	-			orientation	+
				density	+
				fineness	+
				cover	+
Magnitude	-	Abradability	-	Soil and Moisture	+
Shear	-	Transportability	-	Surface Roughness	+
Turbulence	-	Organic Matter	+	Surface Length - (distance from shelter)	-
				Surface Slope	+
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Figure 2.2 Key variables in the wind-erosion system. Wind erosion will normally be reduced if the values of variables are increased (+) and if other variables are reduced (-).

After Cooke et al (1983)

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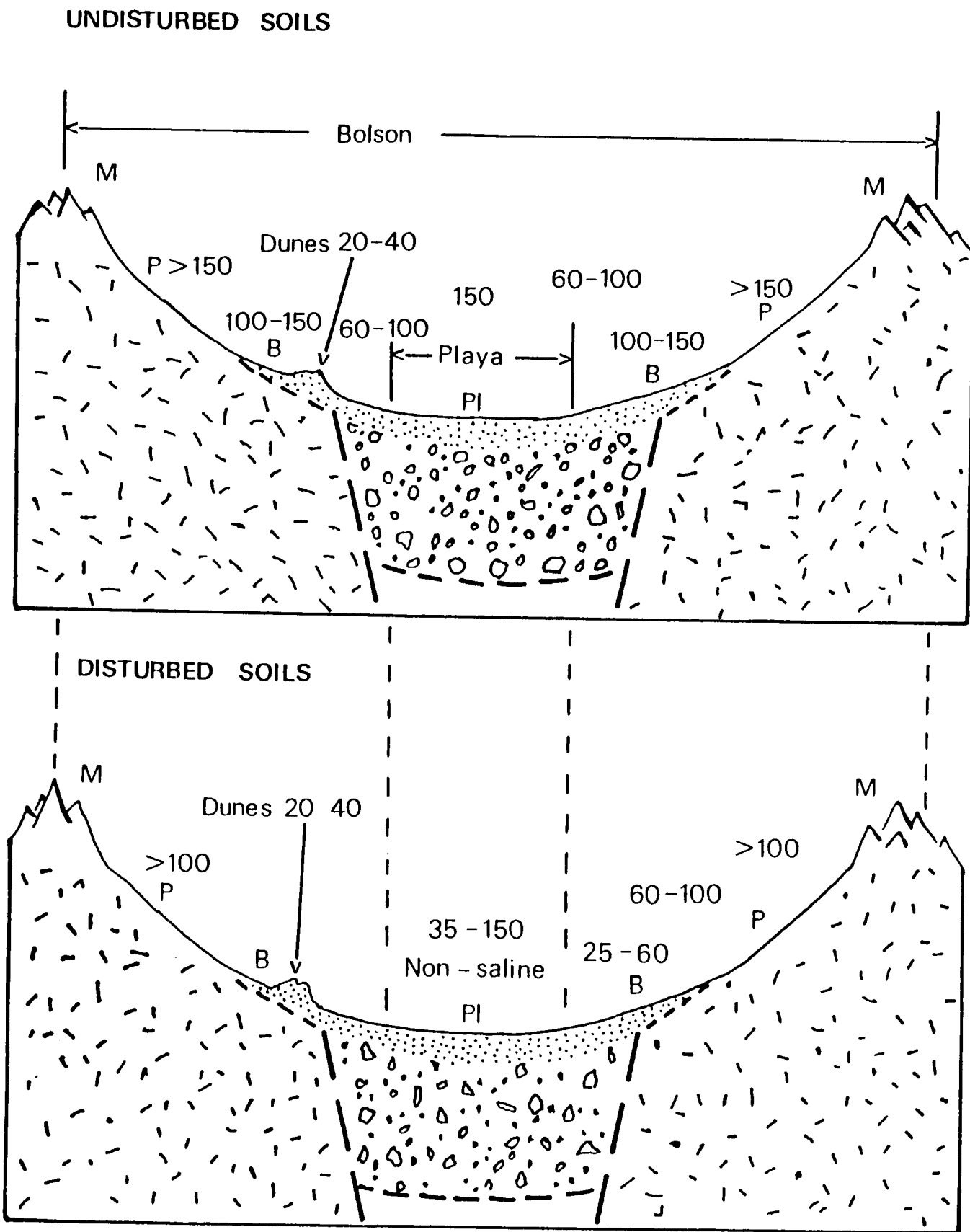


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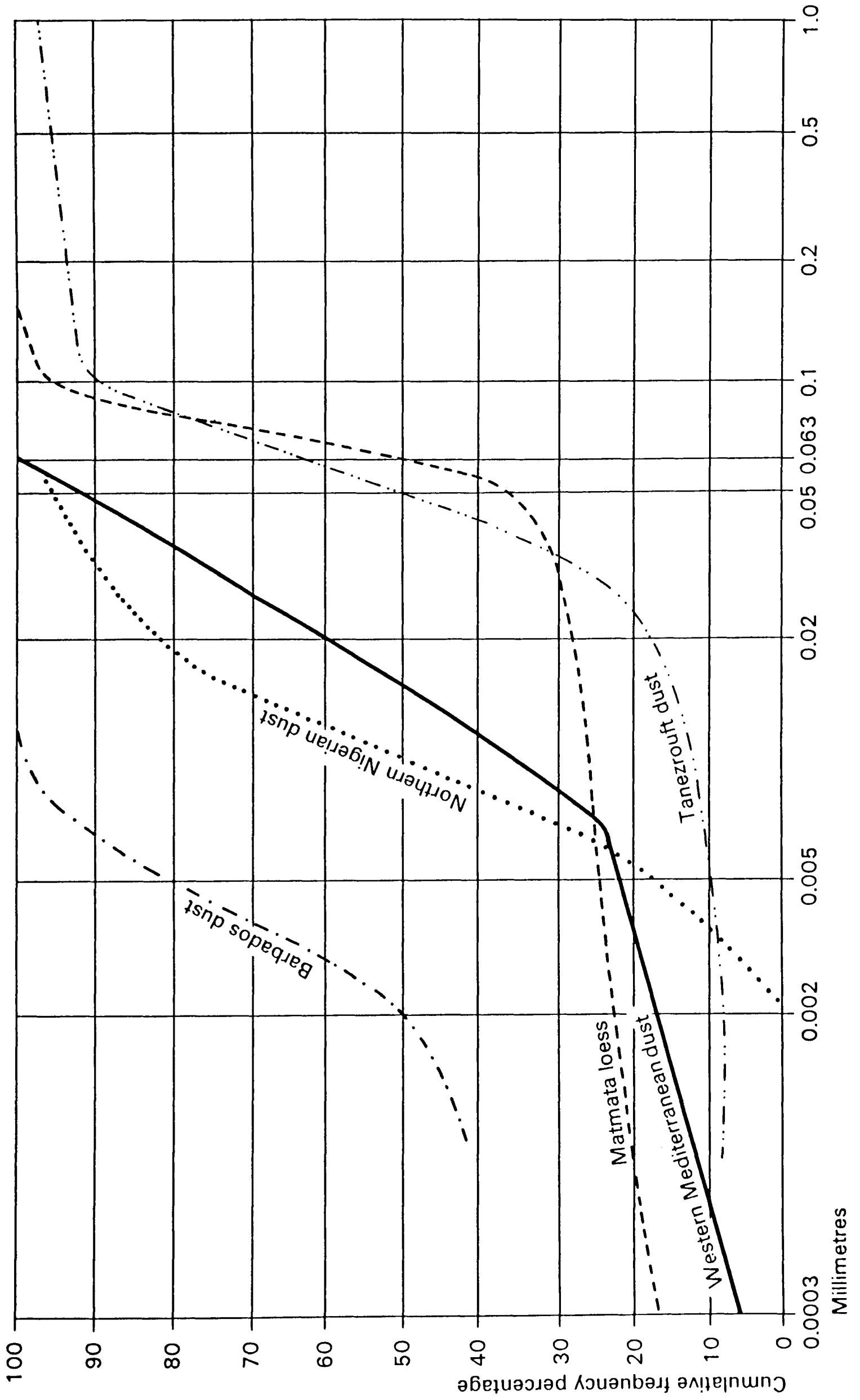


Figure 2.4 Comparison of cumulative frequency curves of dust & loess (after Coudé-Gausson & Rognon 1983)

Code figure ww	Symbol	Description	
05	∞	Haze	
06	S	Widespread dust in suspension in the air, not raised by wind at or near the station at the time of observation	
07	⤴	Dust or sand raised by wind at or near the station at the time of observation, but no well-developed dust whirl(s) and no duststorm or sandstorm seen	
08	∞	Well-developed dust whirl(s) or sand whirl(s) seen at or near the station during the preceding hour or at the time of observation, but no duststorm or sandstorm	
09	(⤴)	Duststorm or sandstorm within sight at the time of observation or at the station during the preceding hour	
30	⤴	Slight or moderate duststorm or sandstorm	- has decreased during the preceding hour
31	⤴		- no appreciable change during the preceding hour
32	⤴		- has begun or has increased during the preceding hour
33	⤴	Severe duststorm or sandstorm	- has decreased during the preceding hour
34	⤴		- no appreciable change during the preceding hour
35	⤴		- has begun or has increased during the preceding hour
98	⚡	Thunderstorm combined with duststorm or sandstorm at time of observation	

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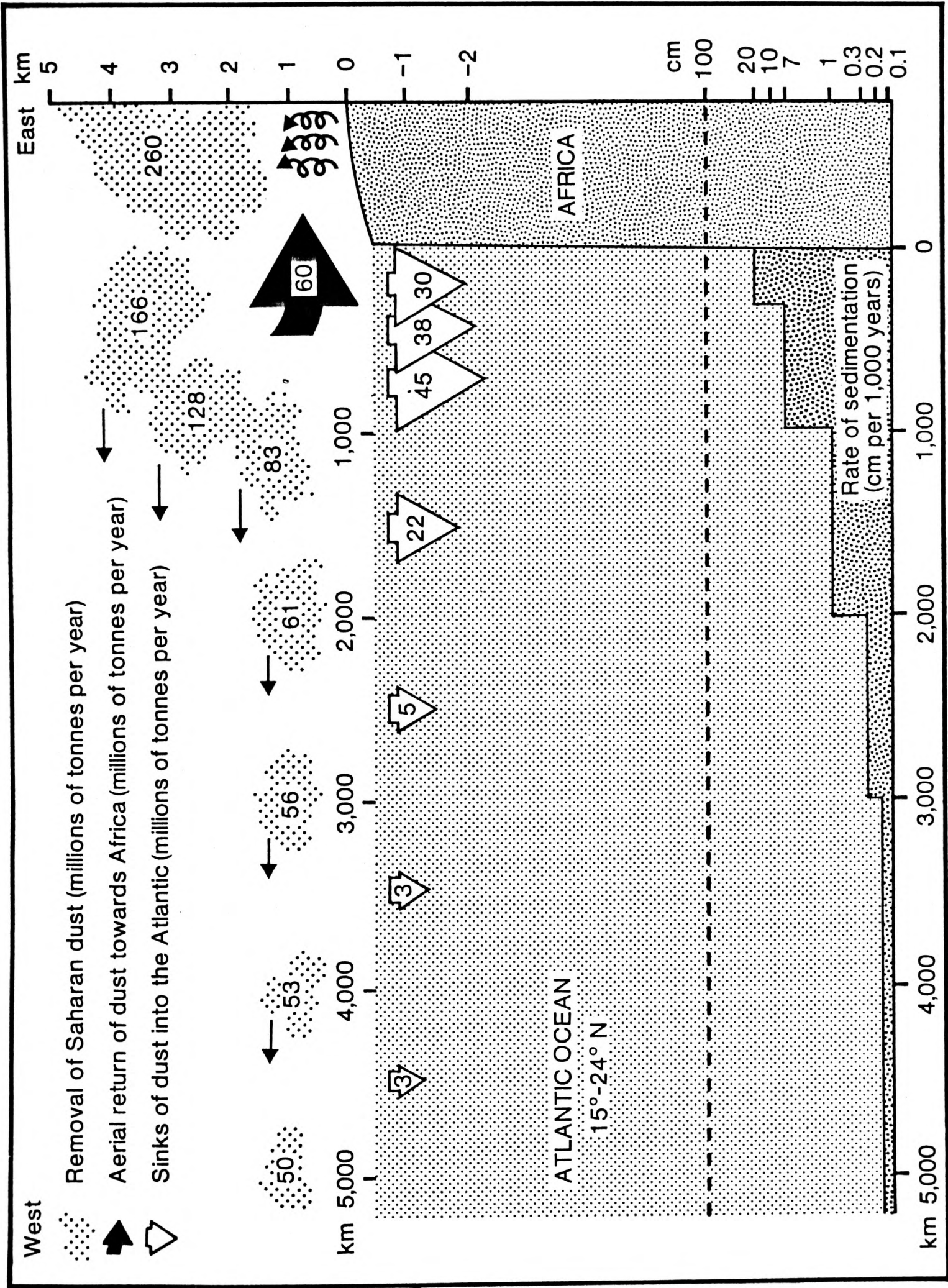


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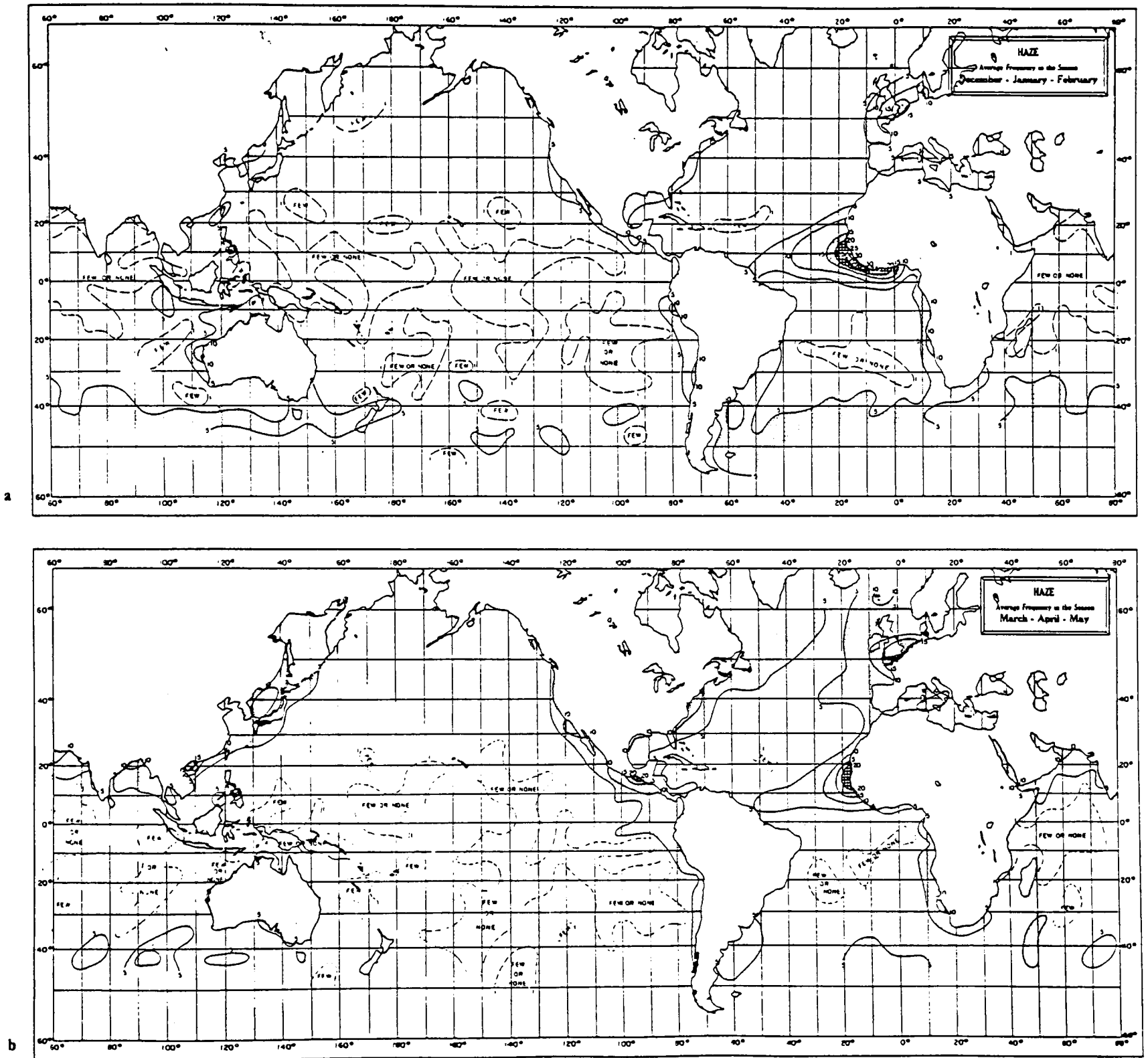


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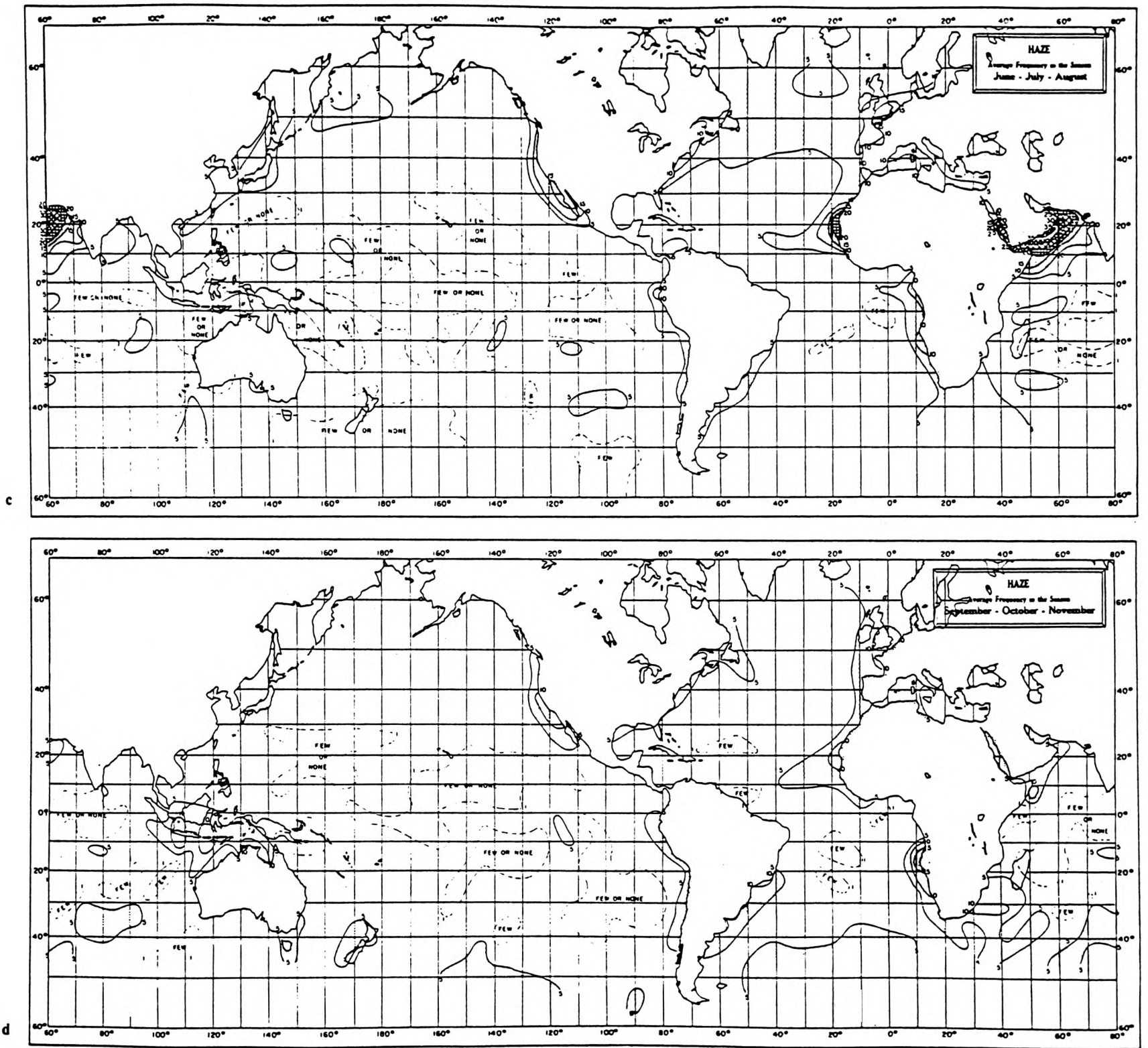


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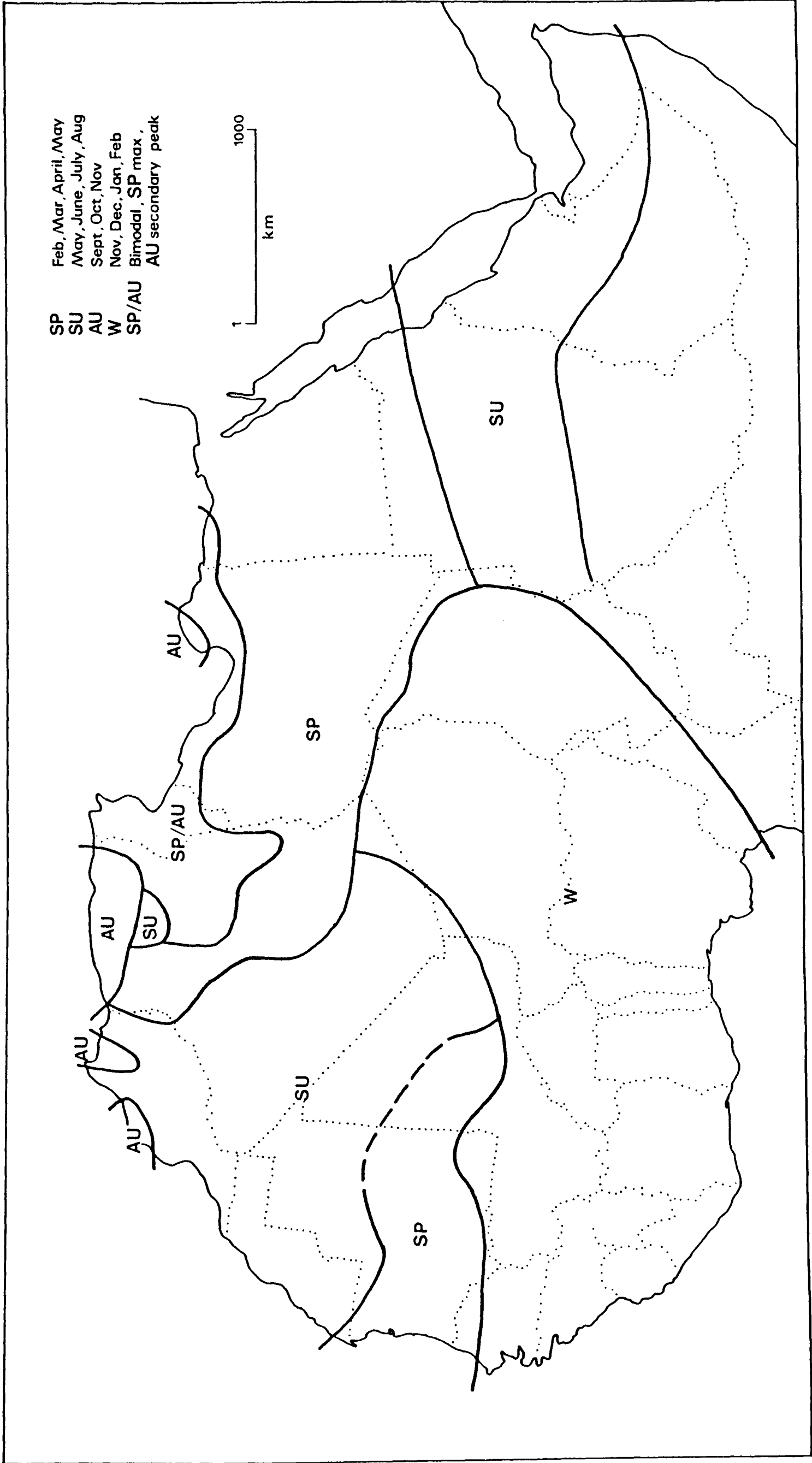


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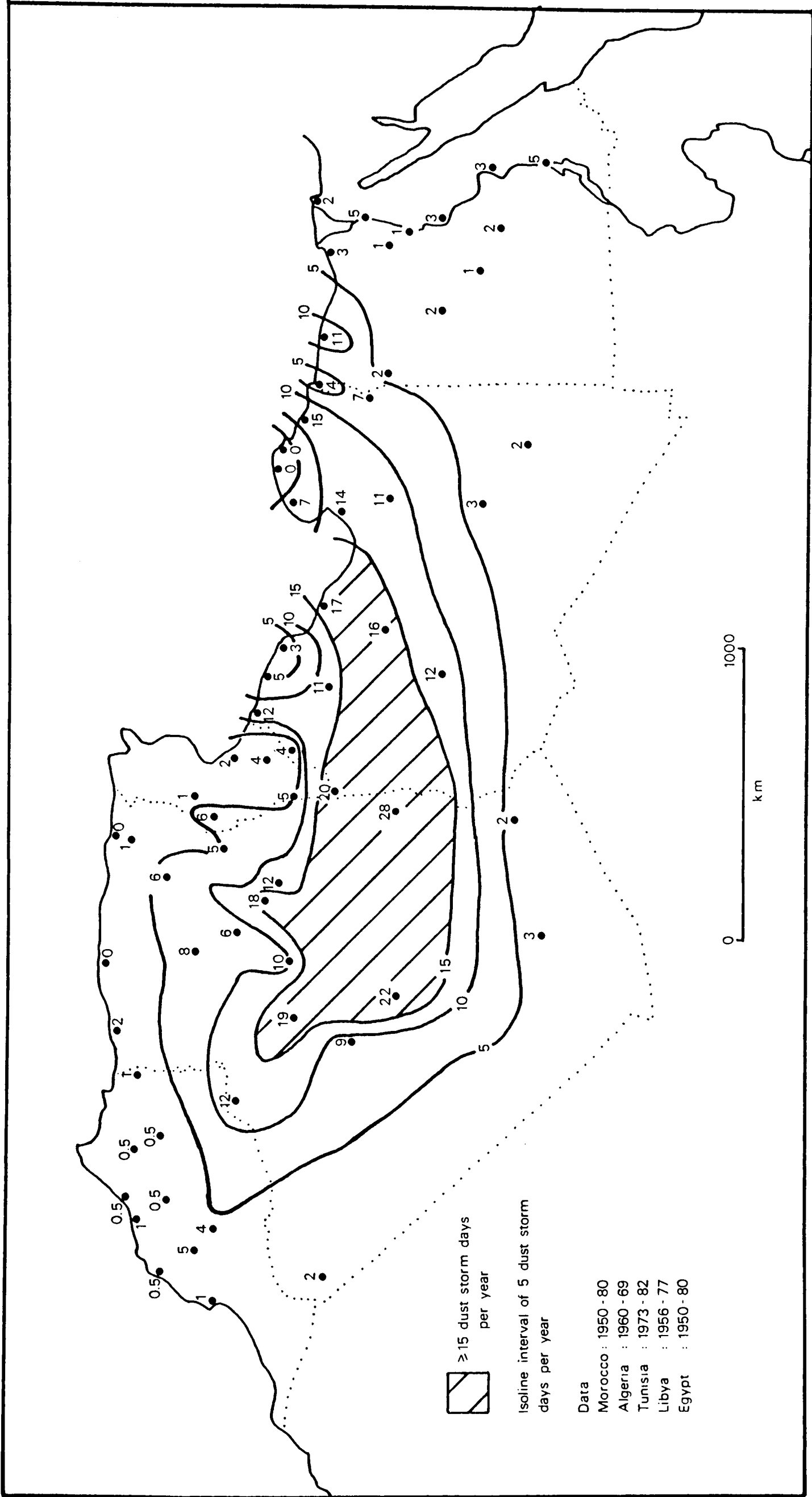


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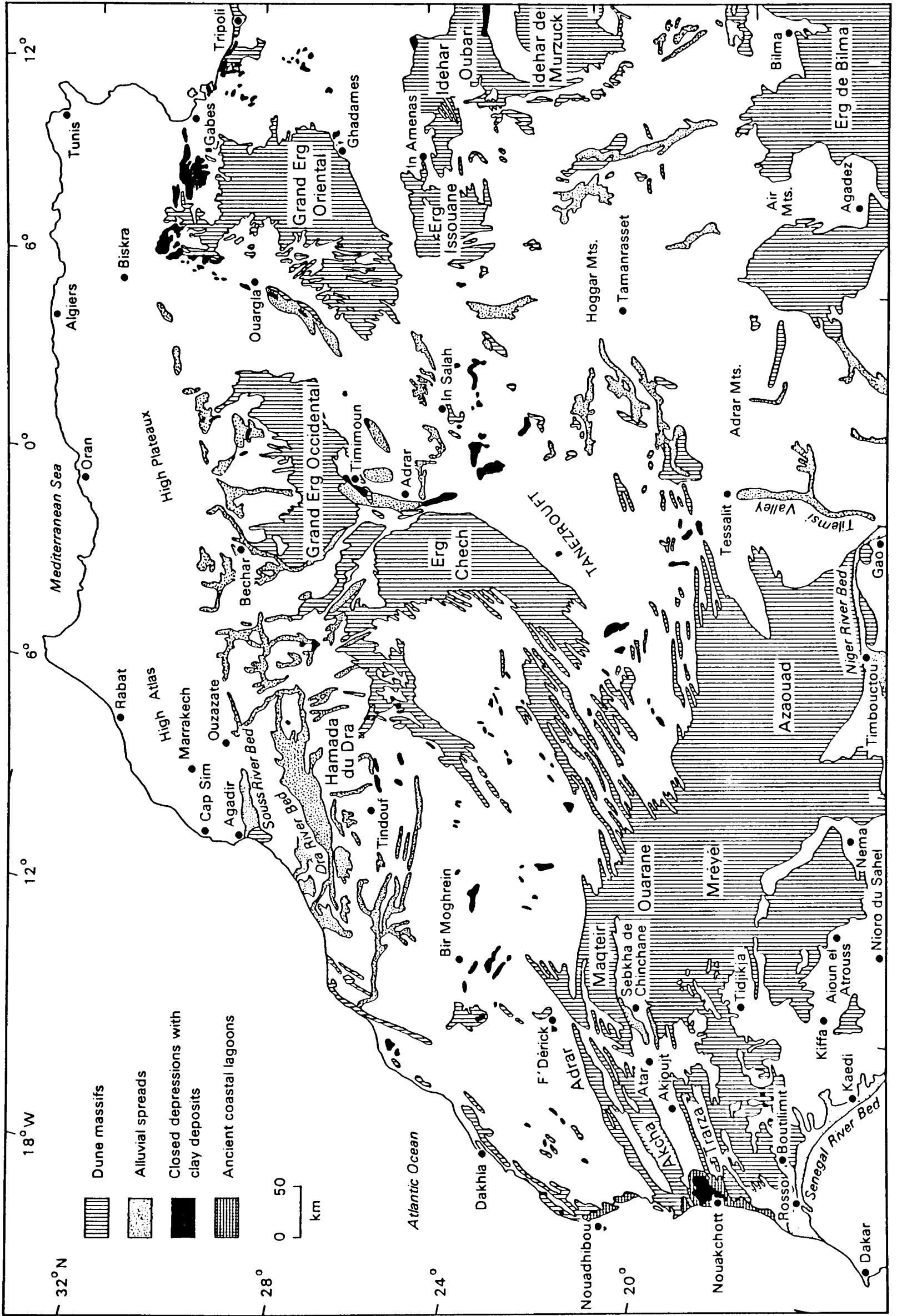


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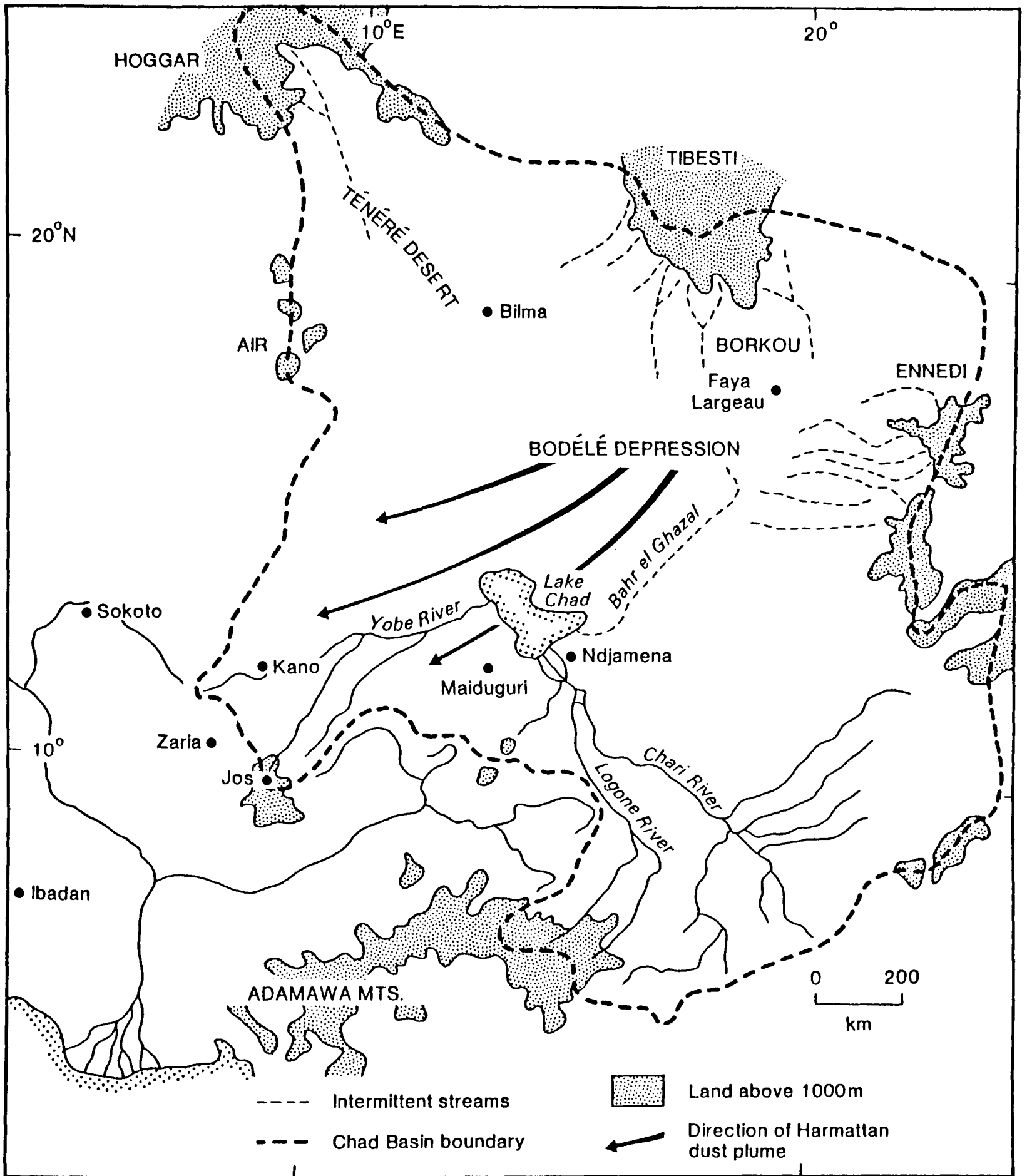


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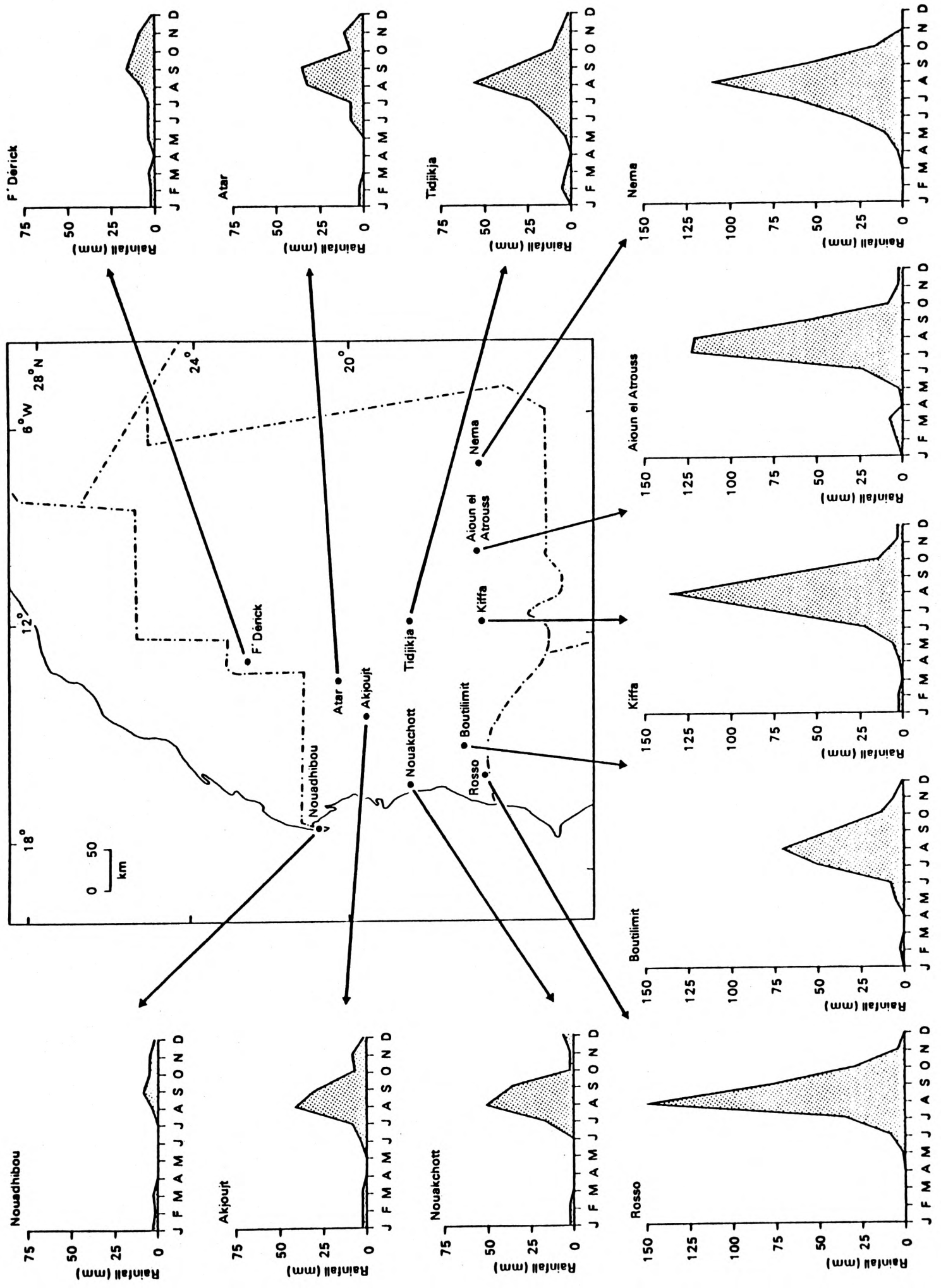


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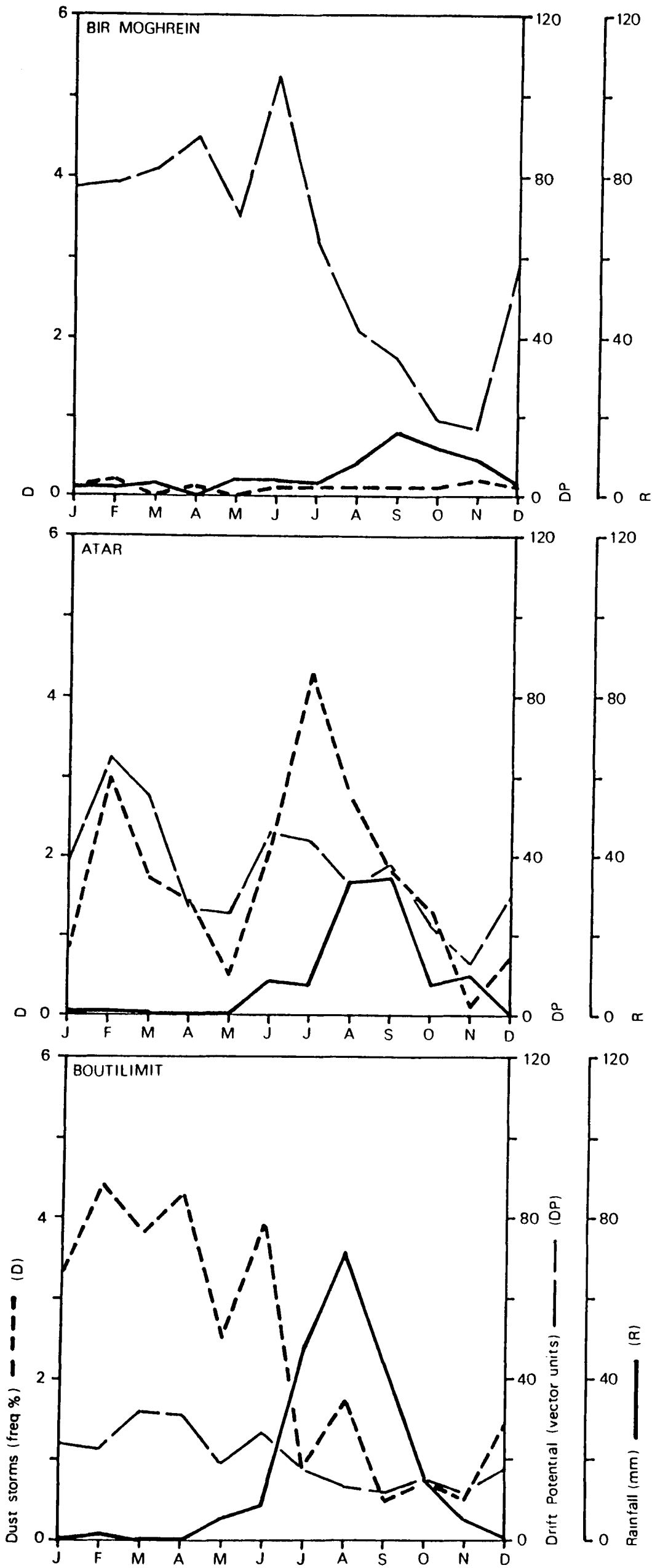


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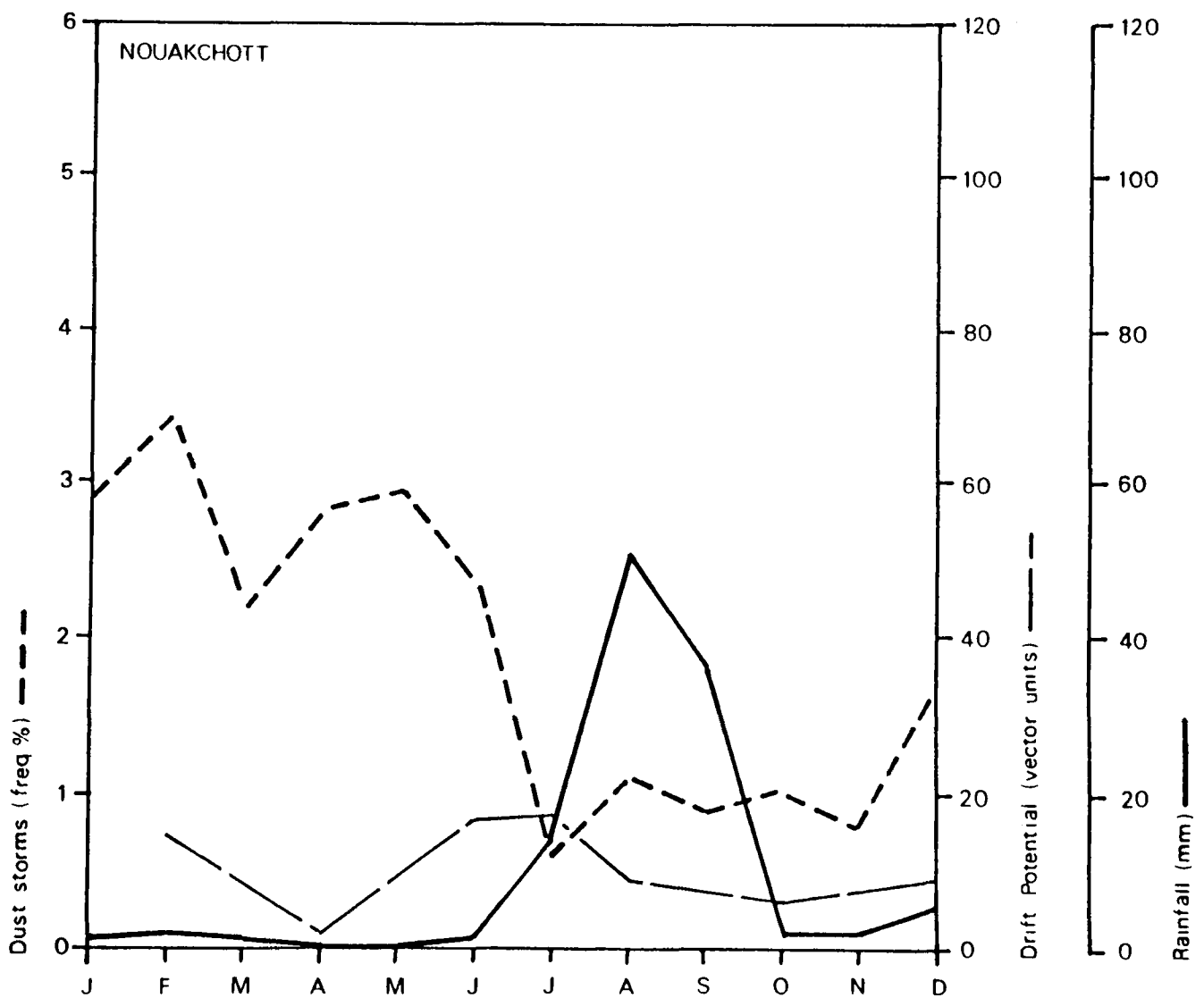
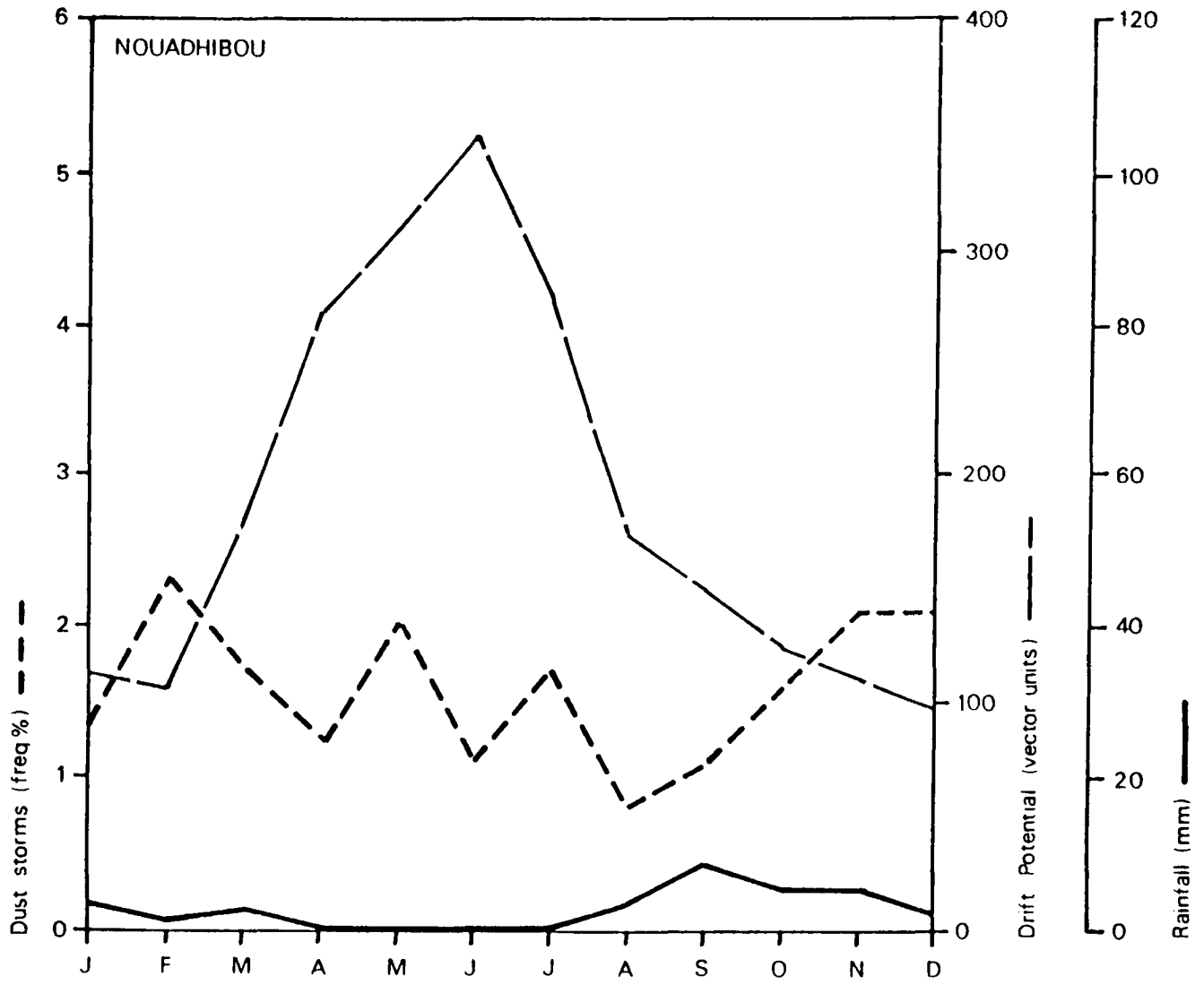


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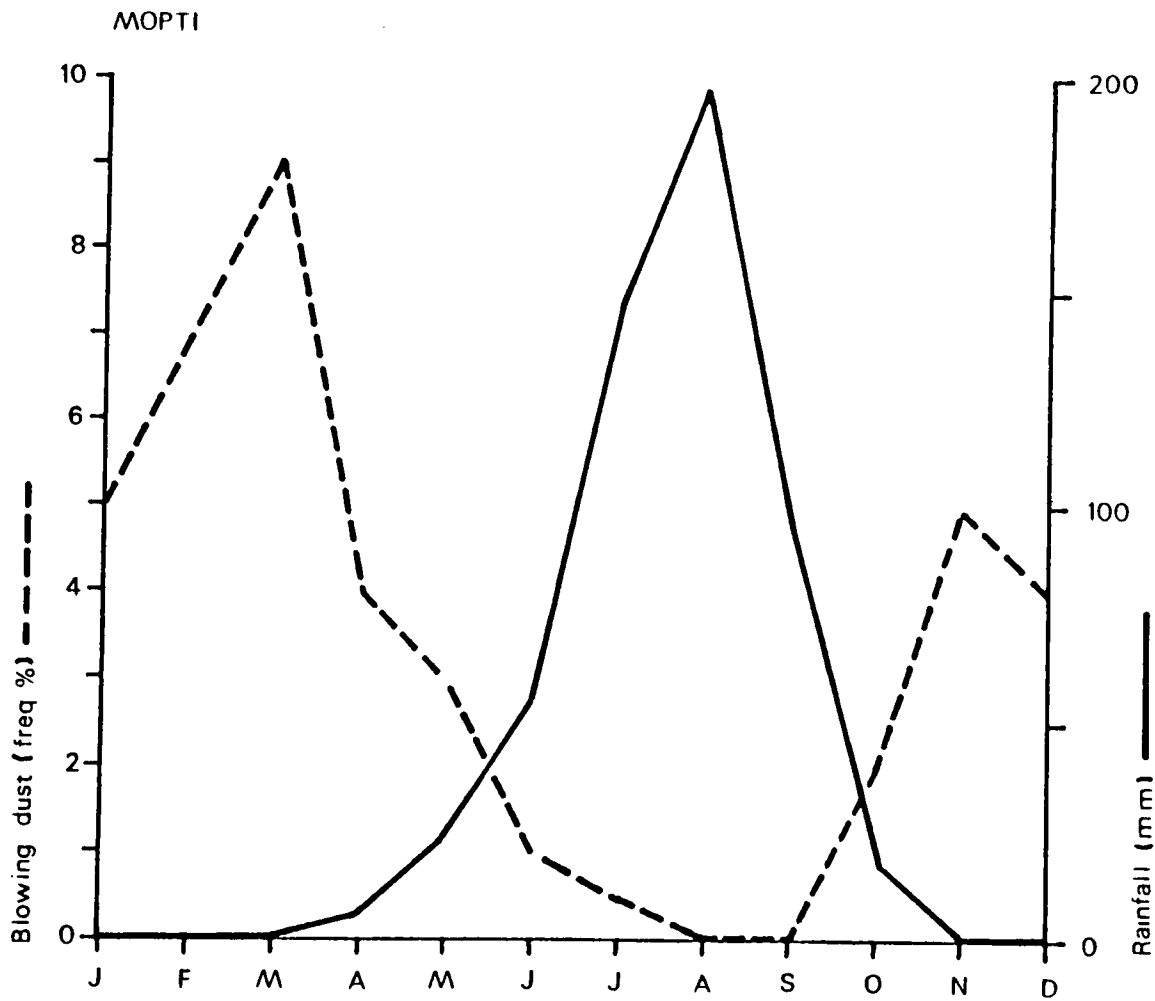
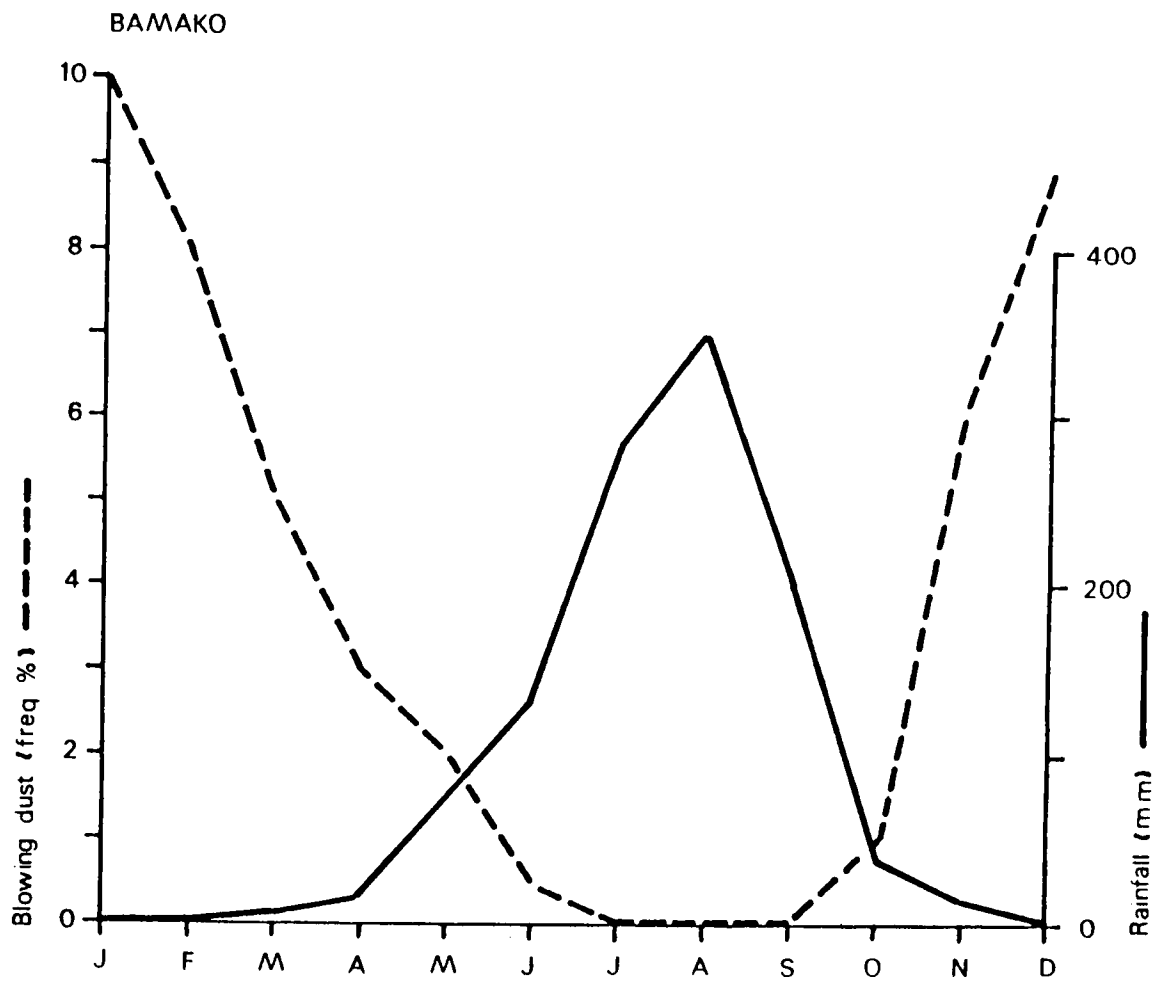


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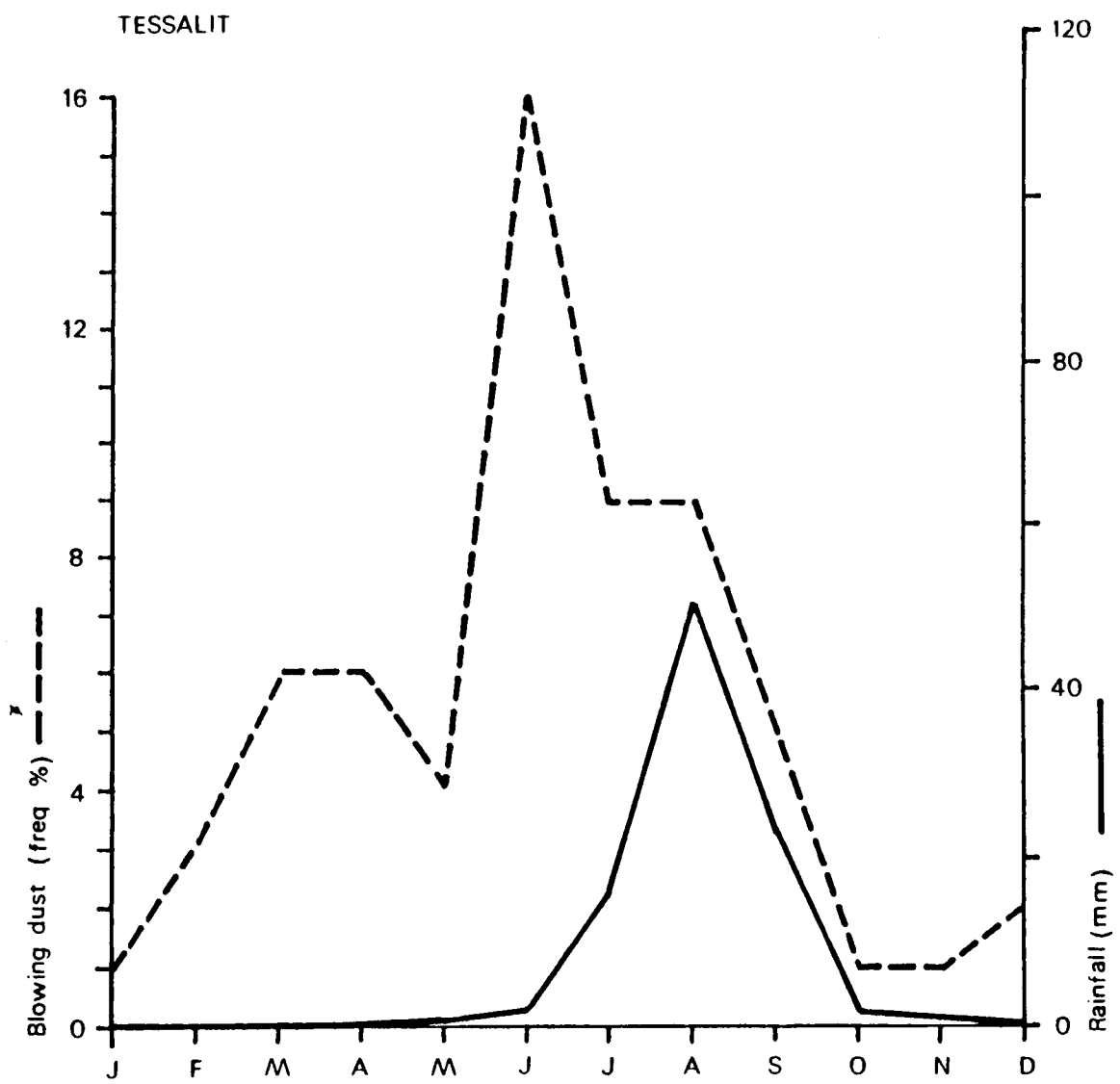
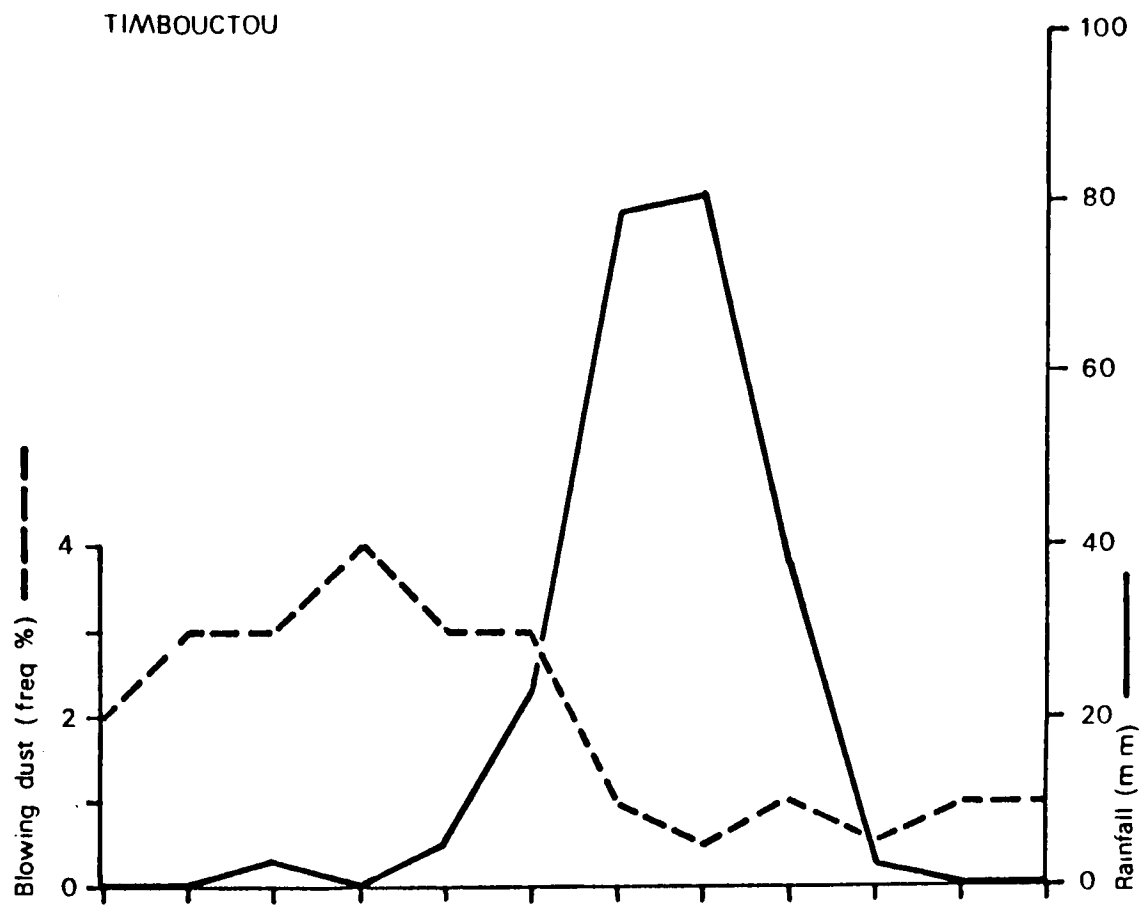


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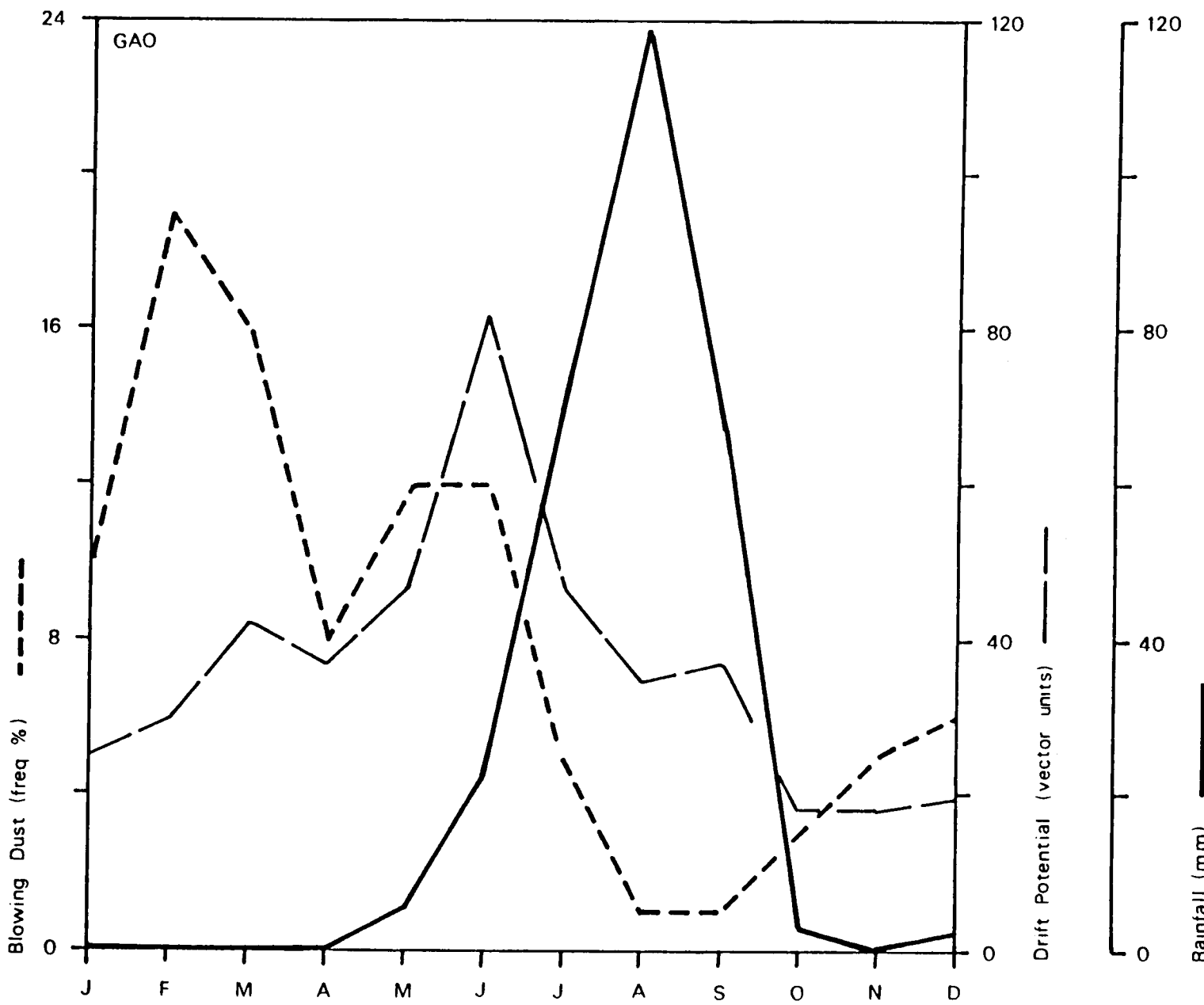


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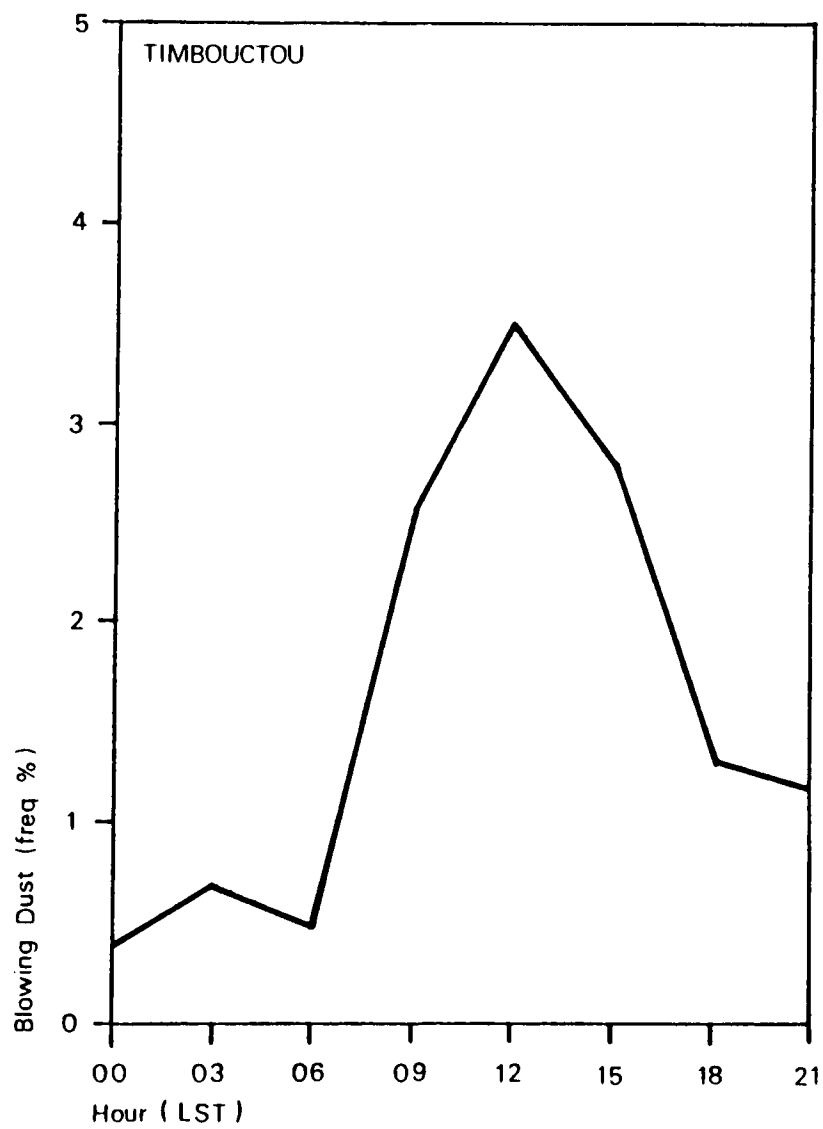
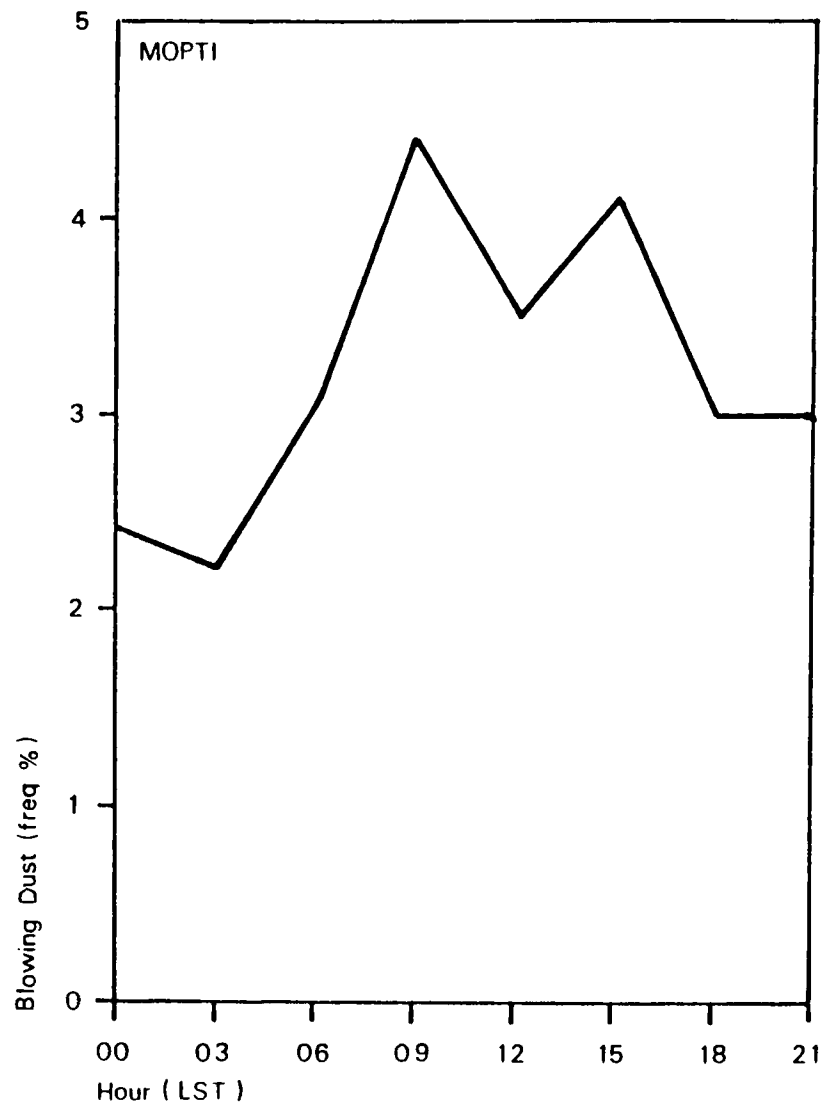


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 N = 26

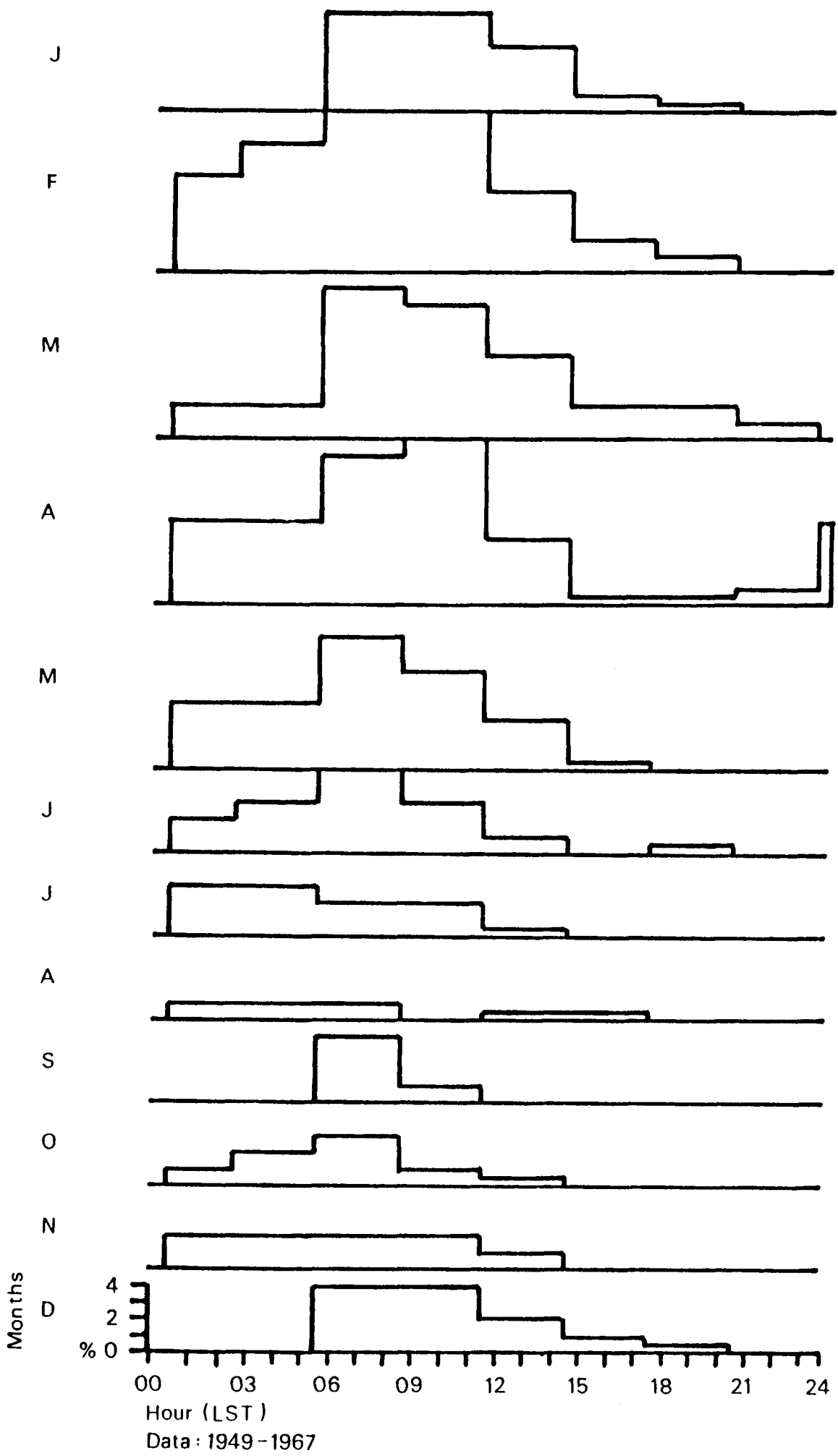


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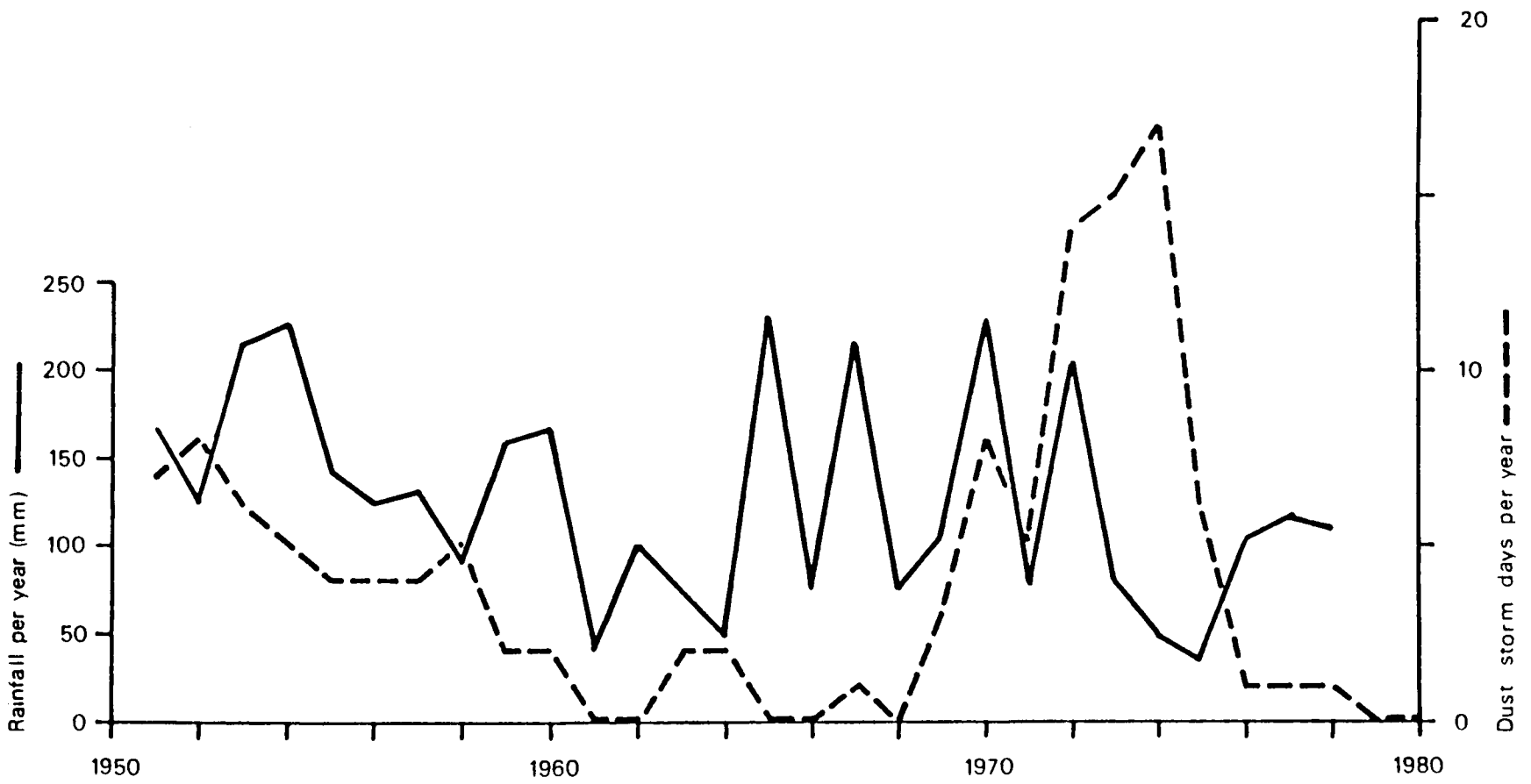
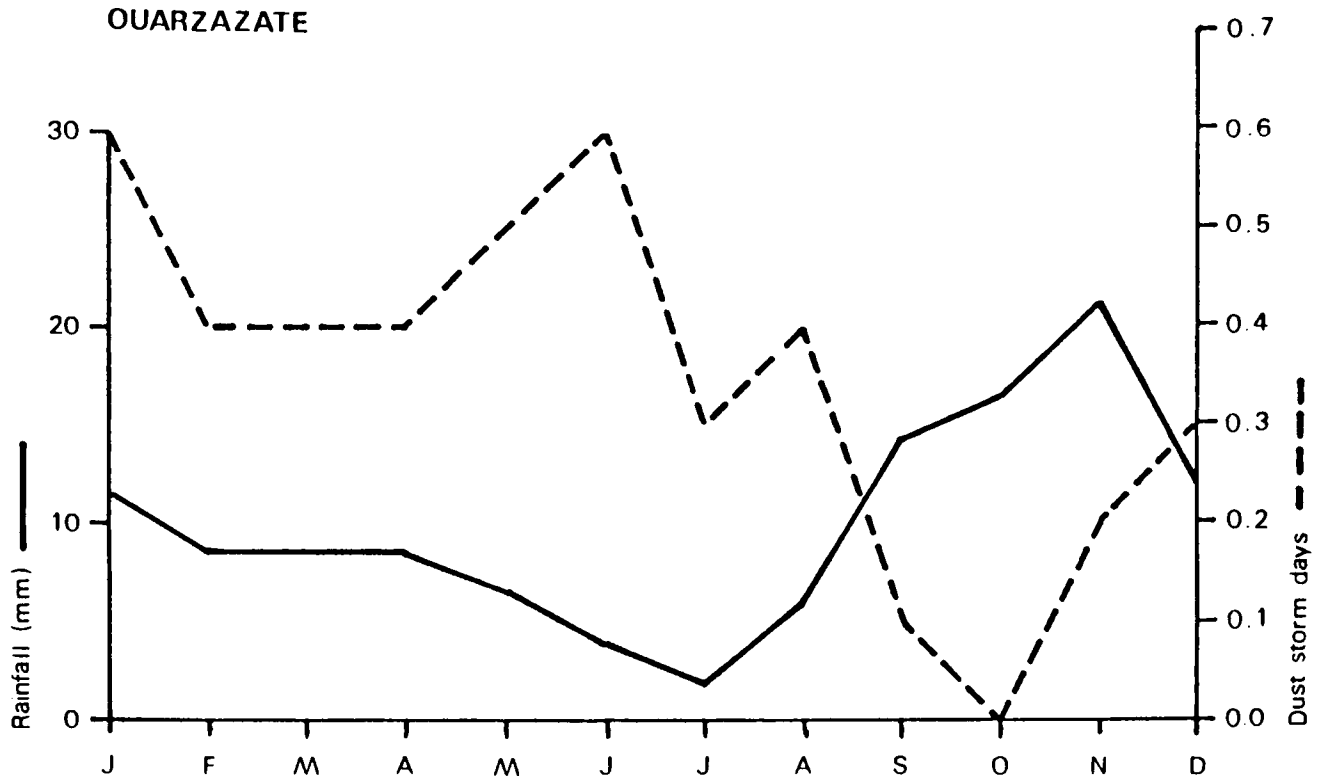


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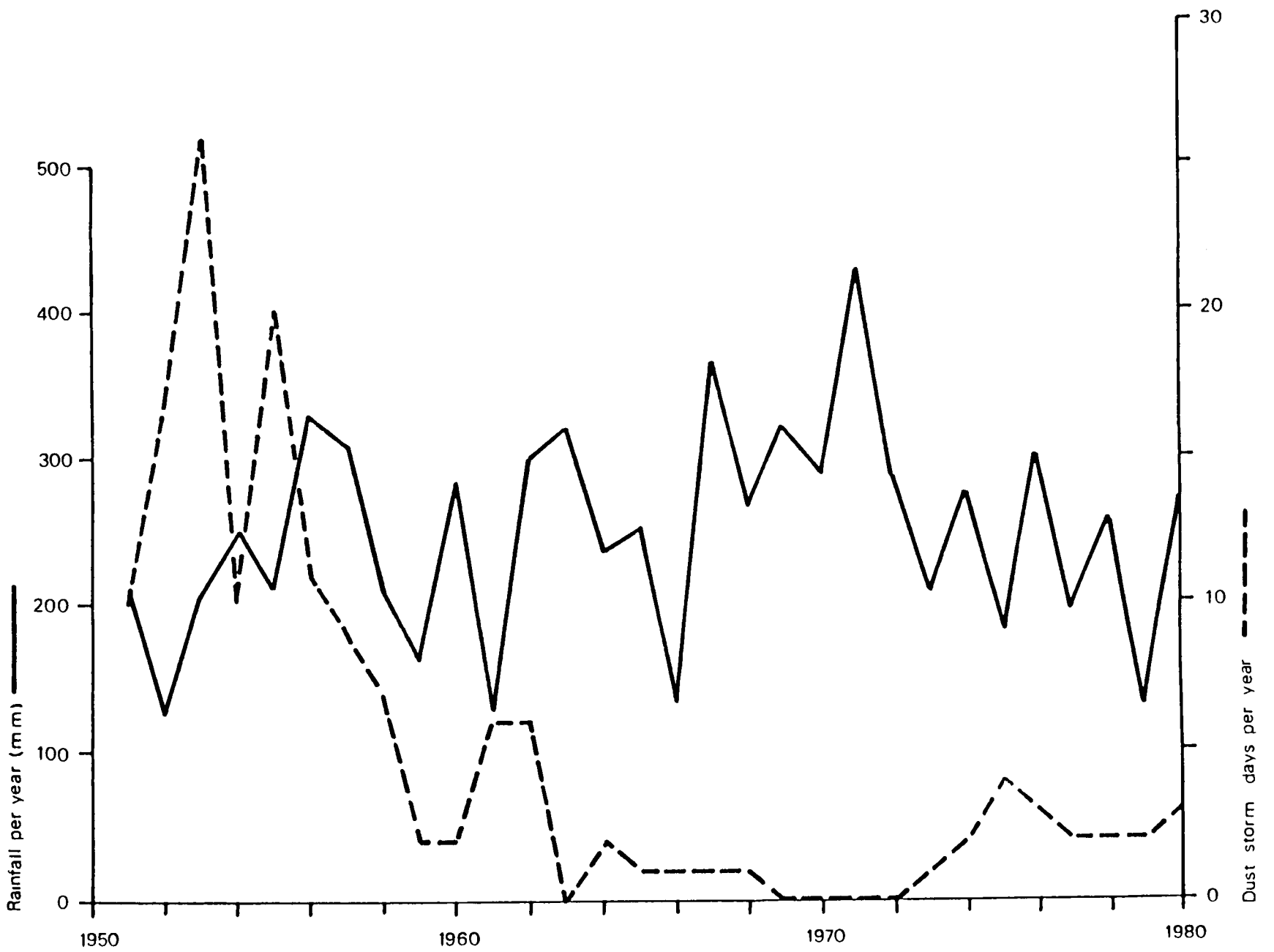
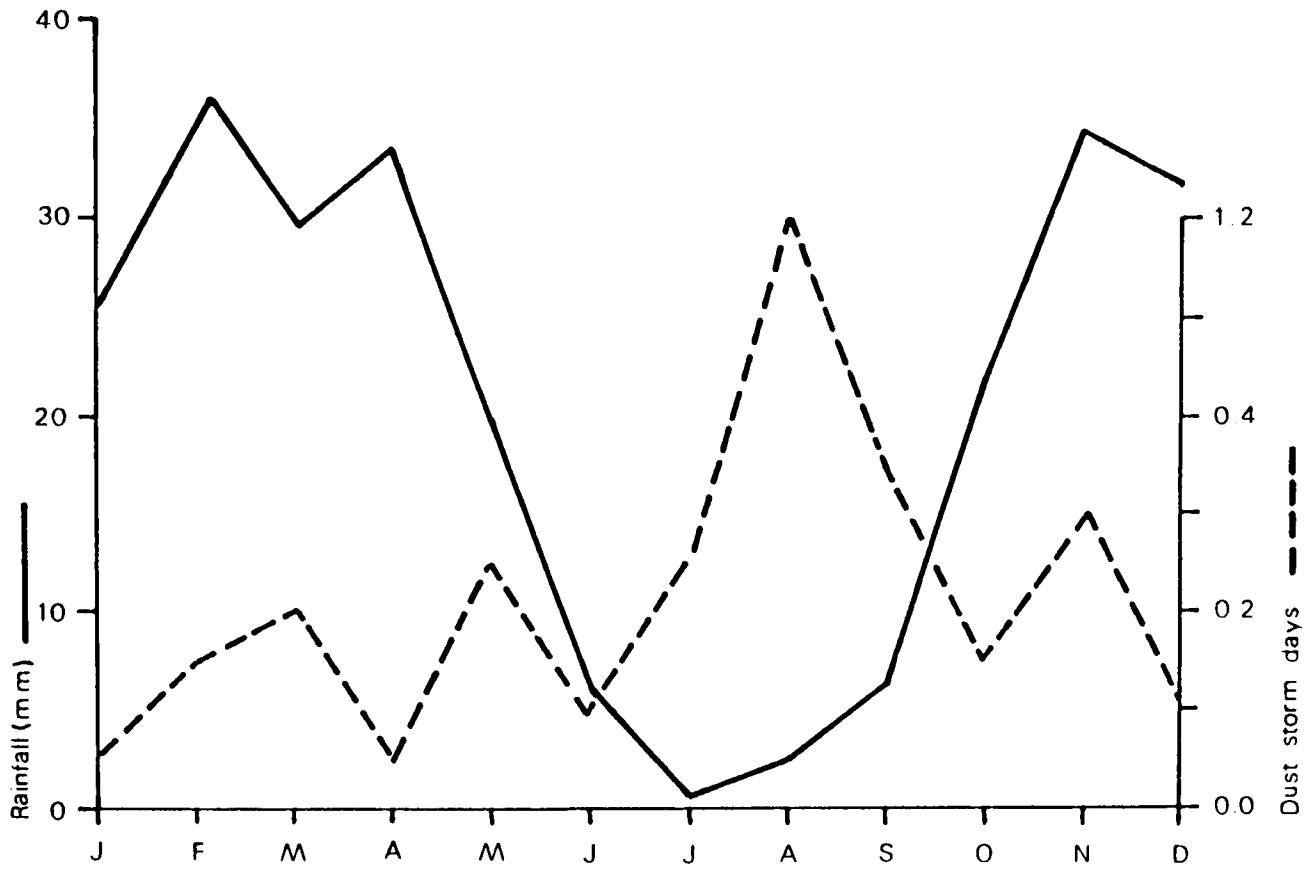


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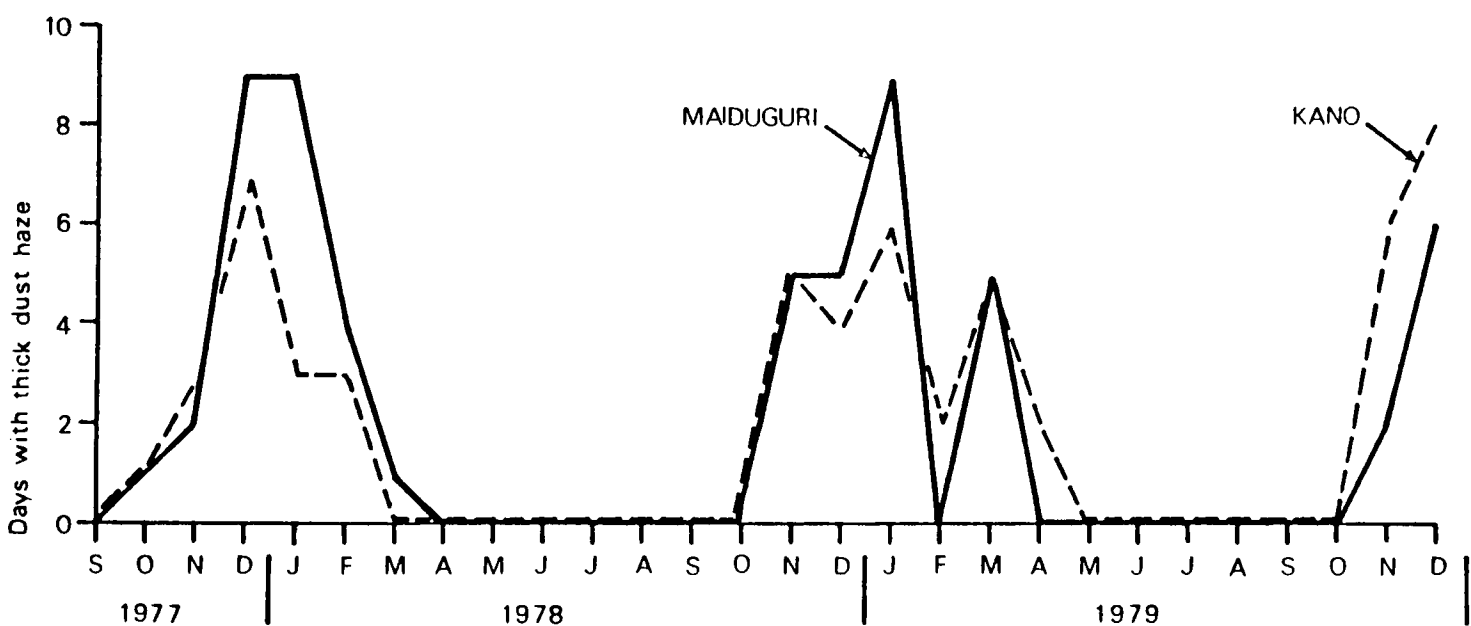
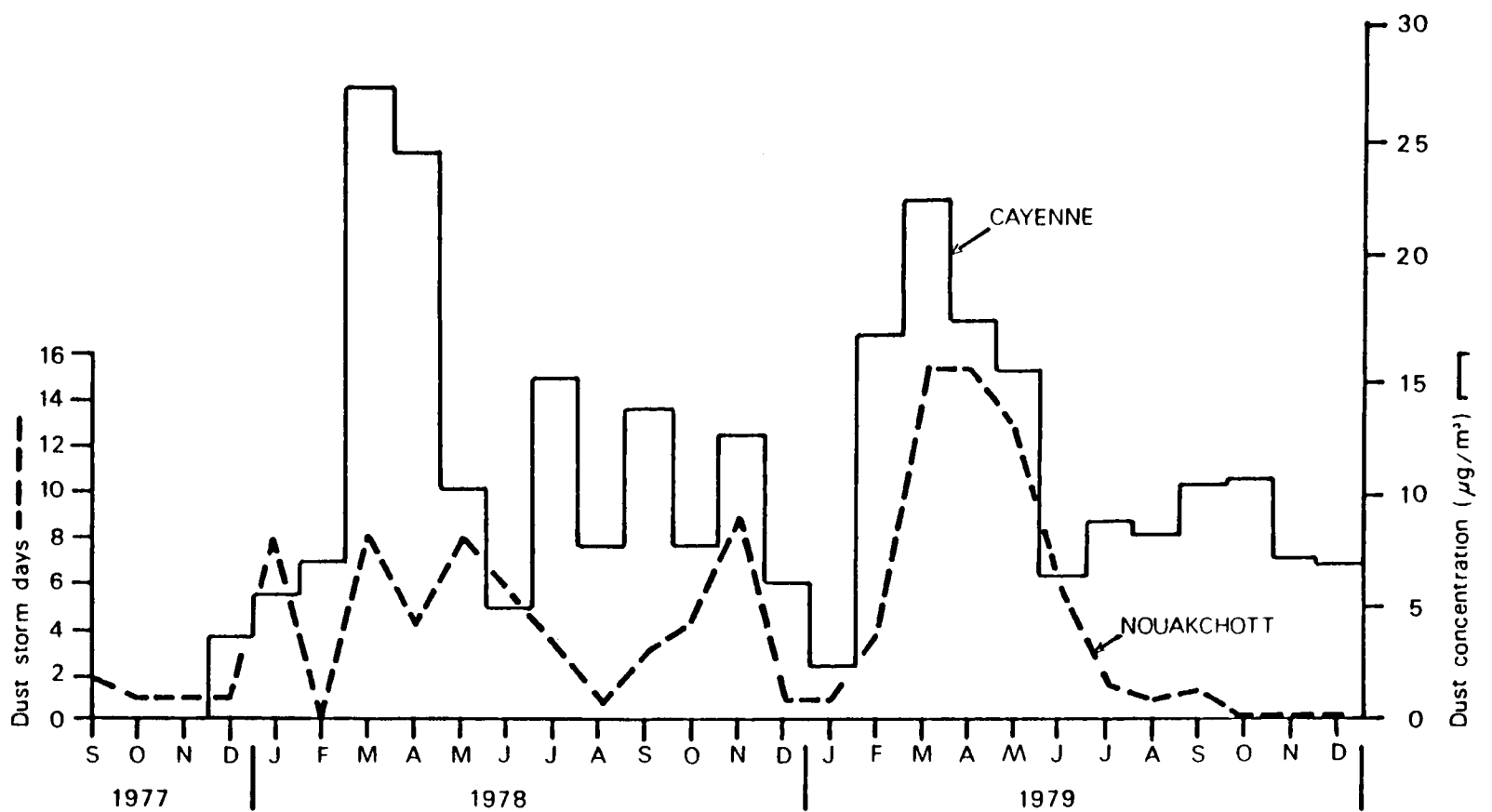


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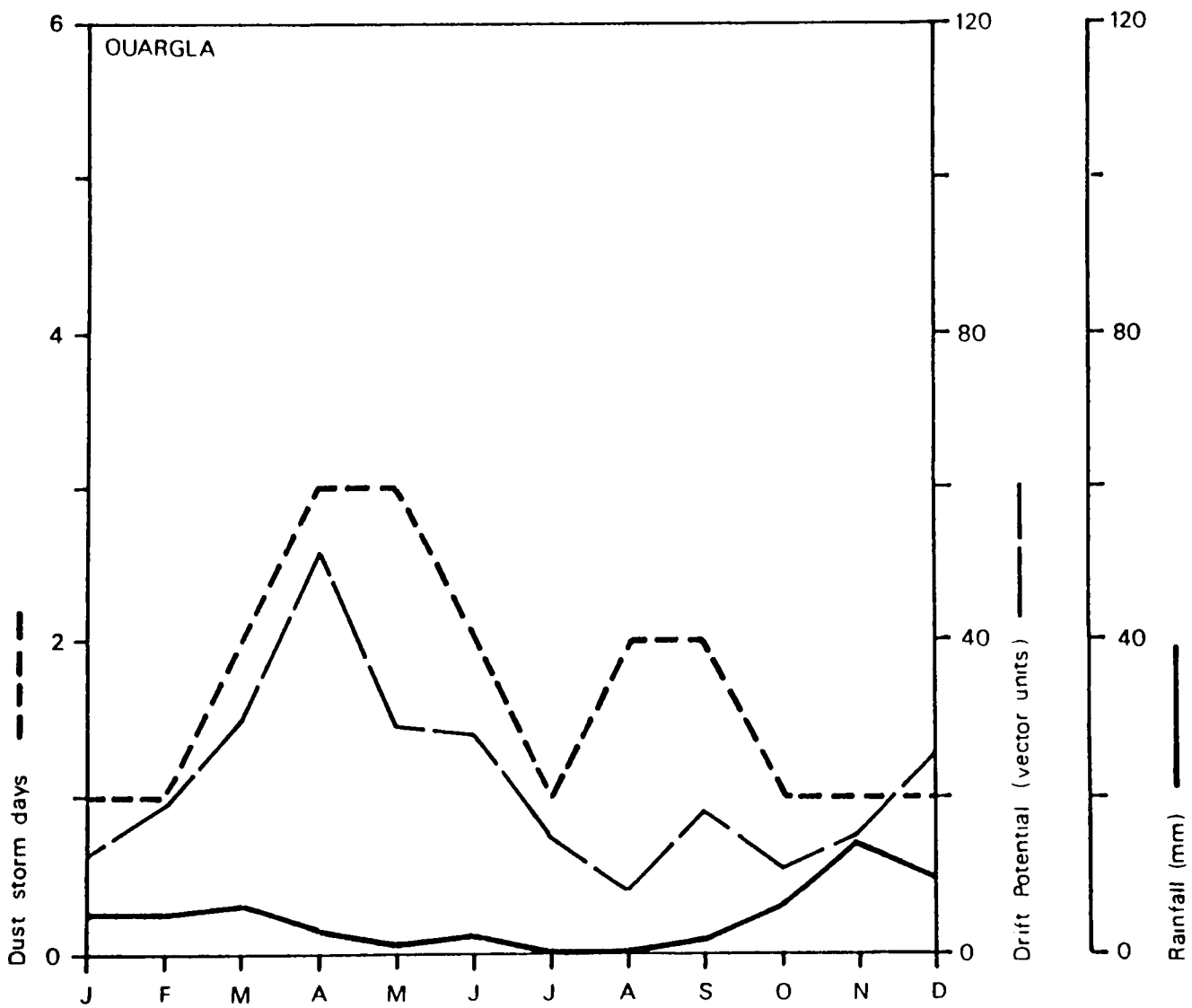
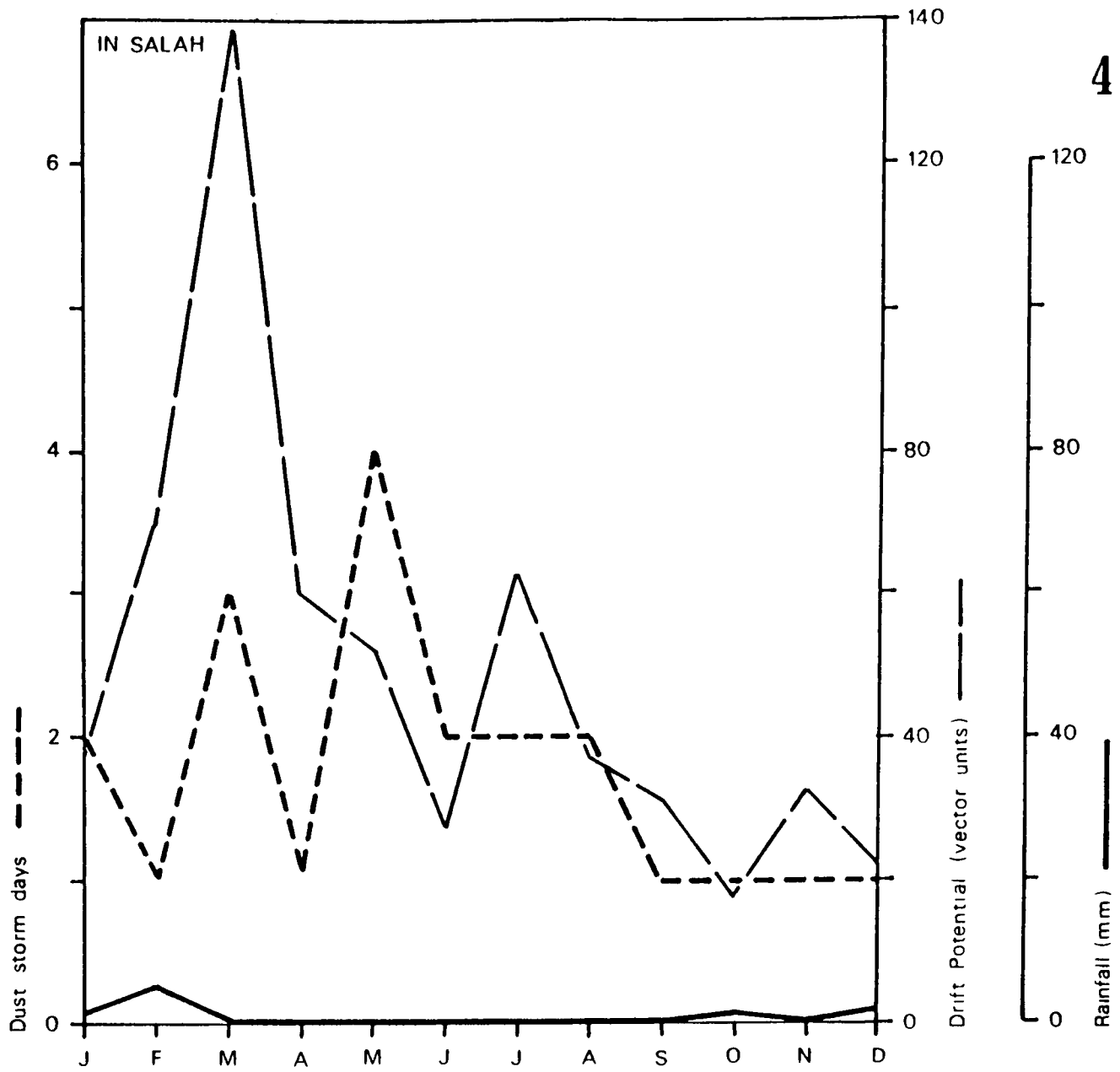


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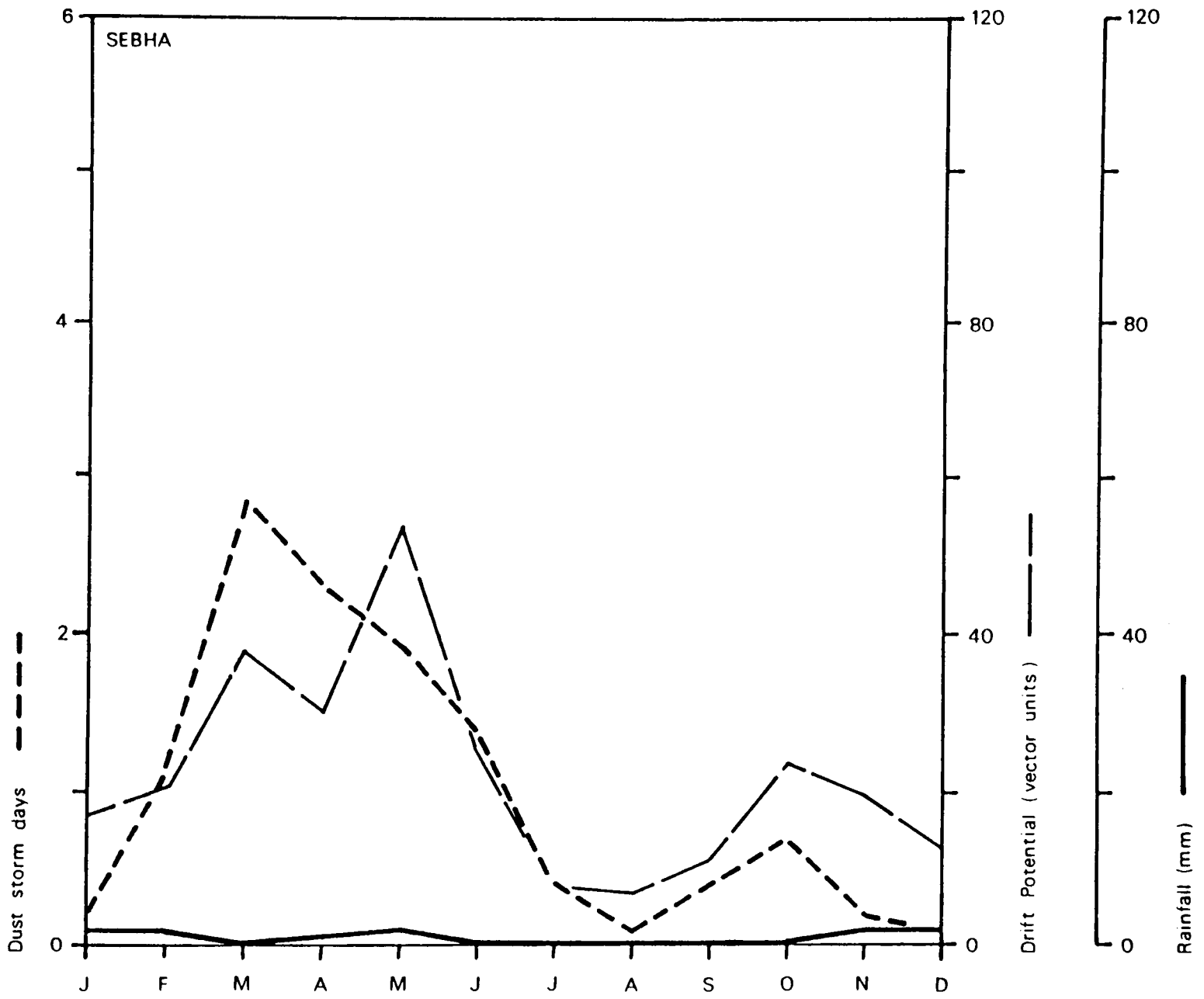


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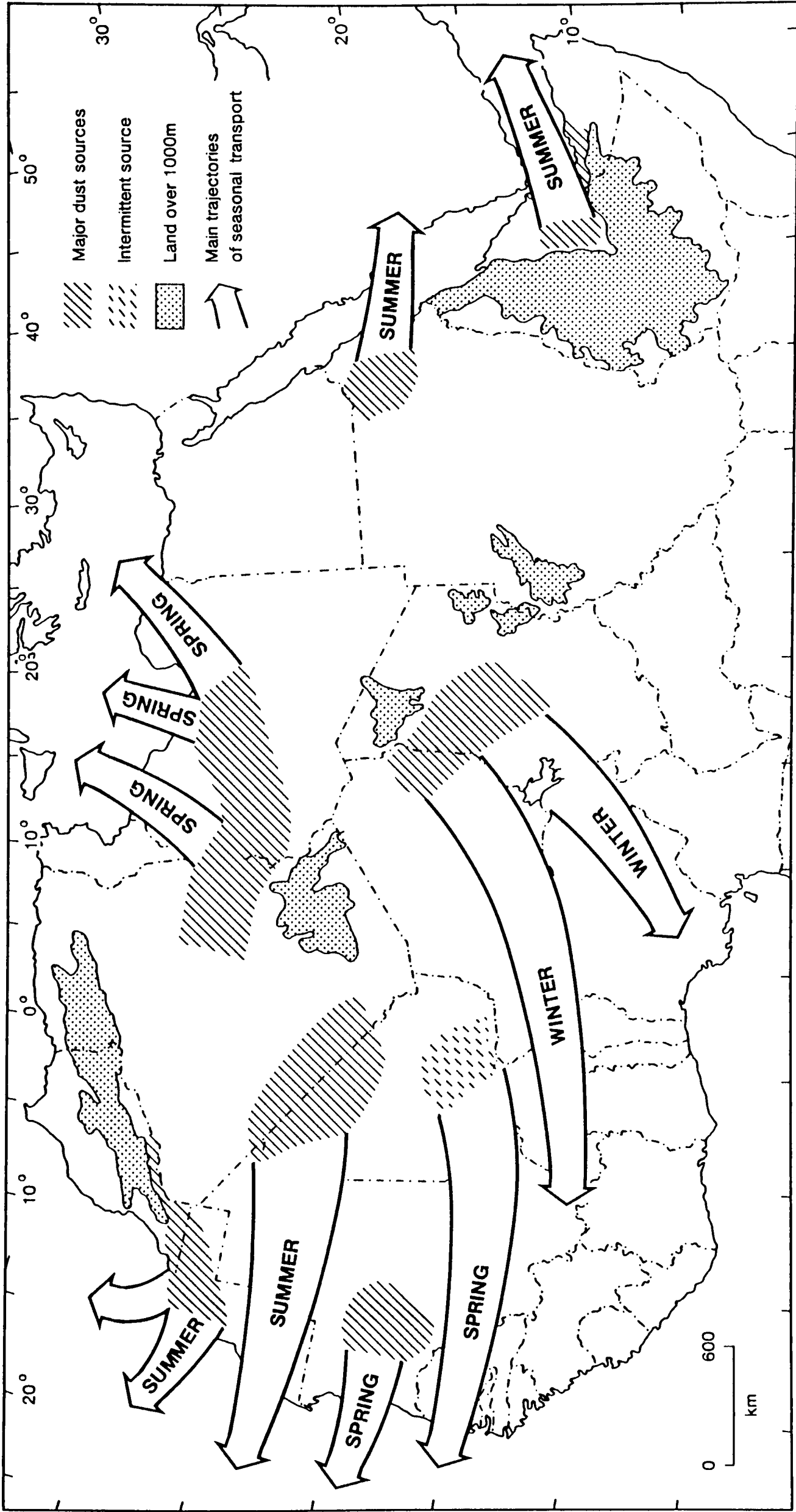


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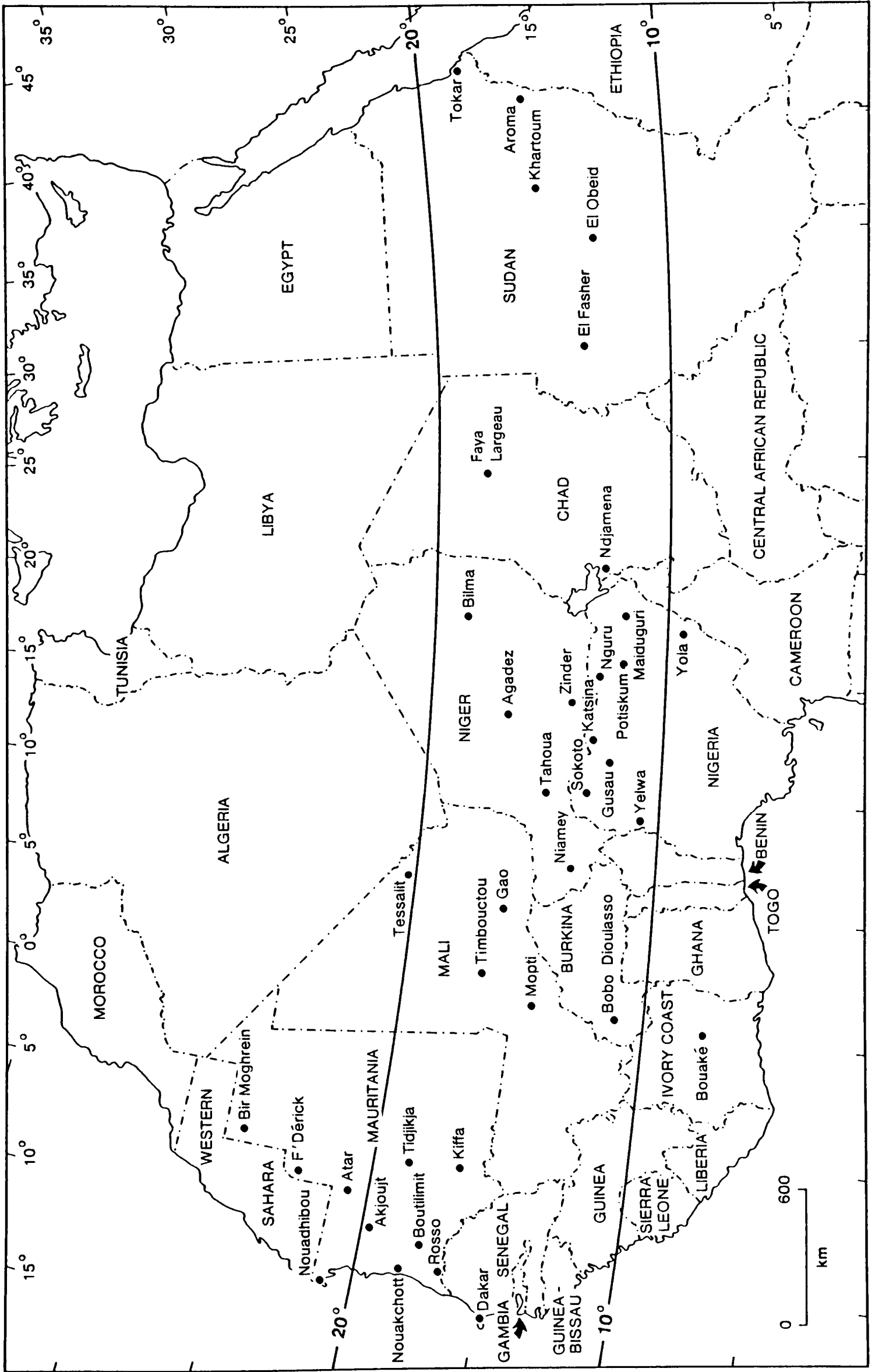


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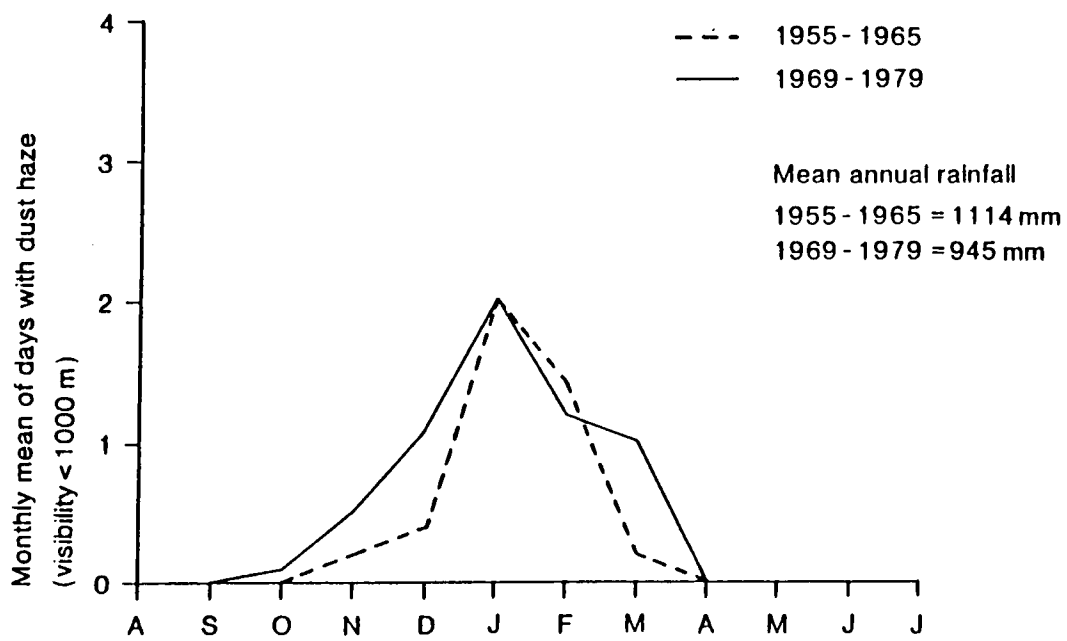
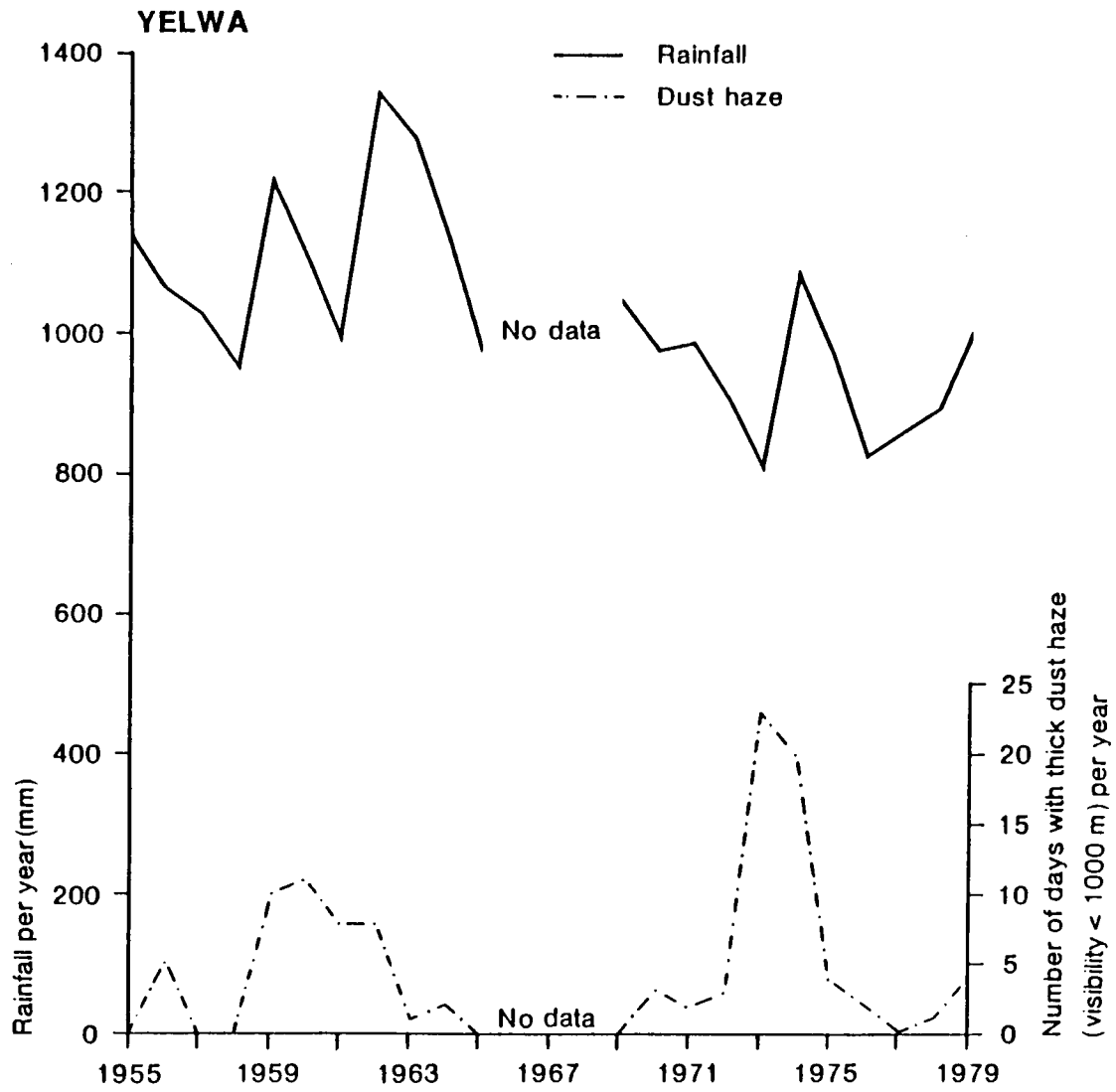


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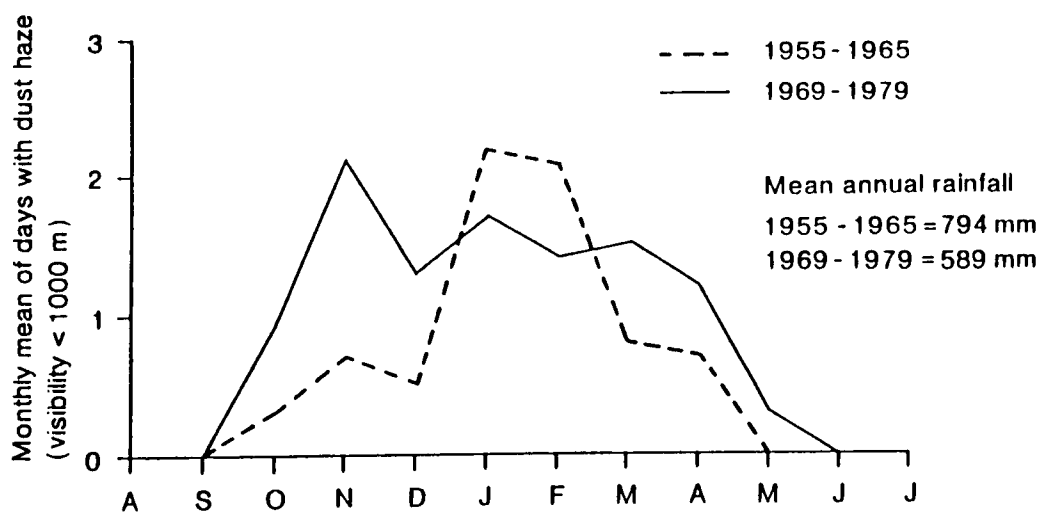
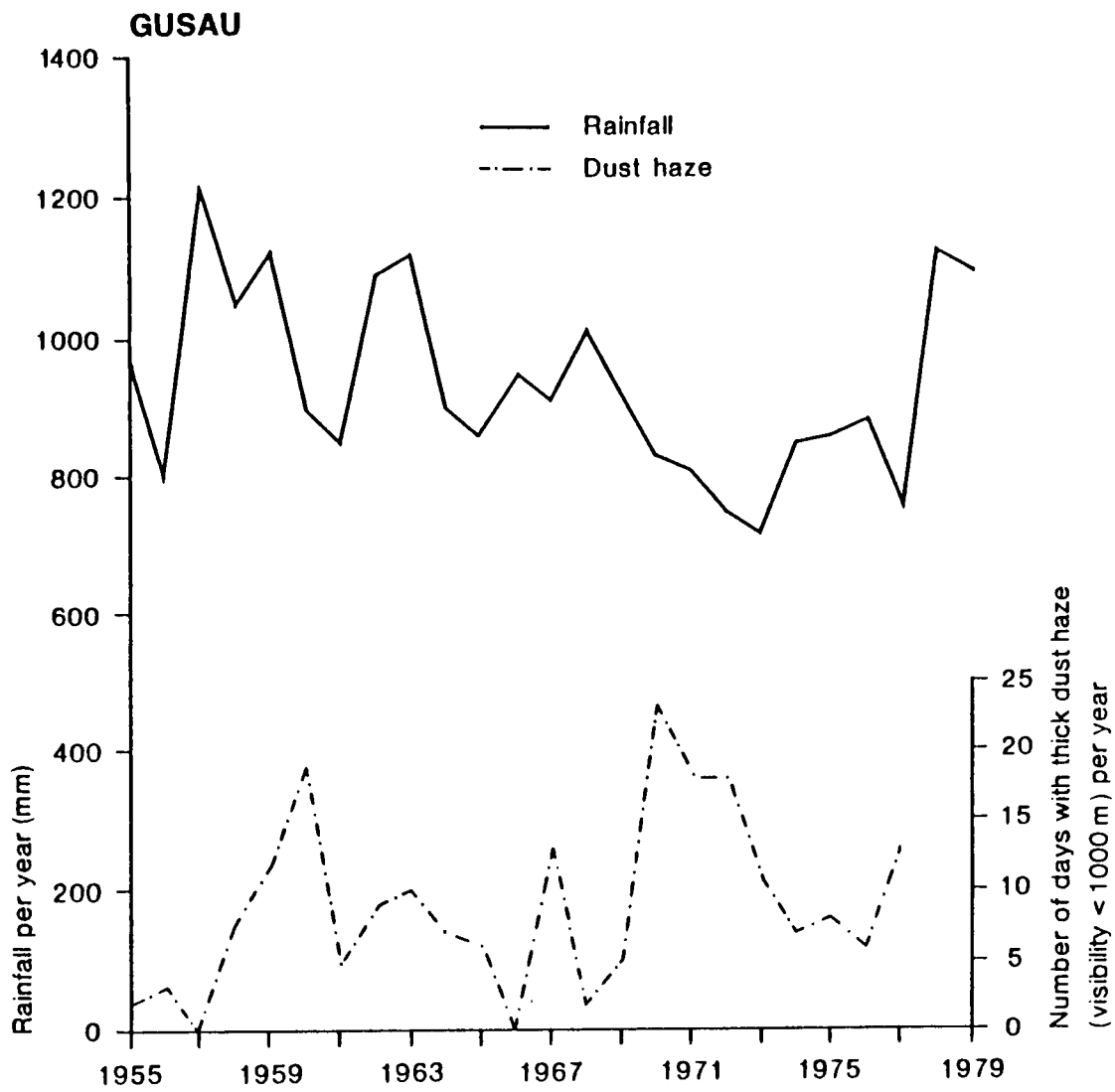


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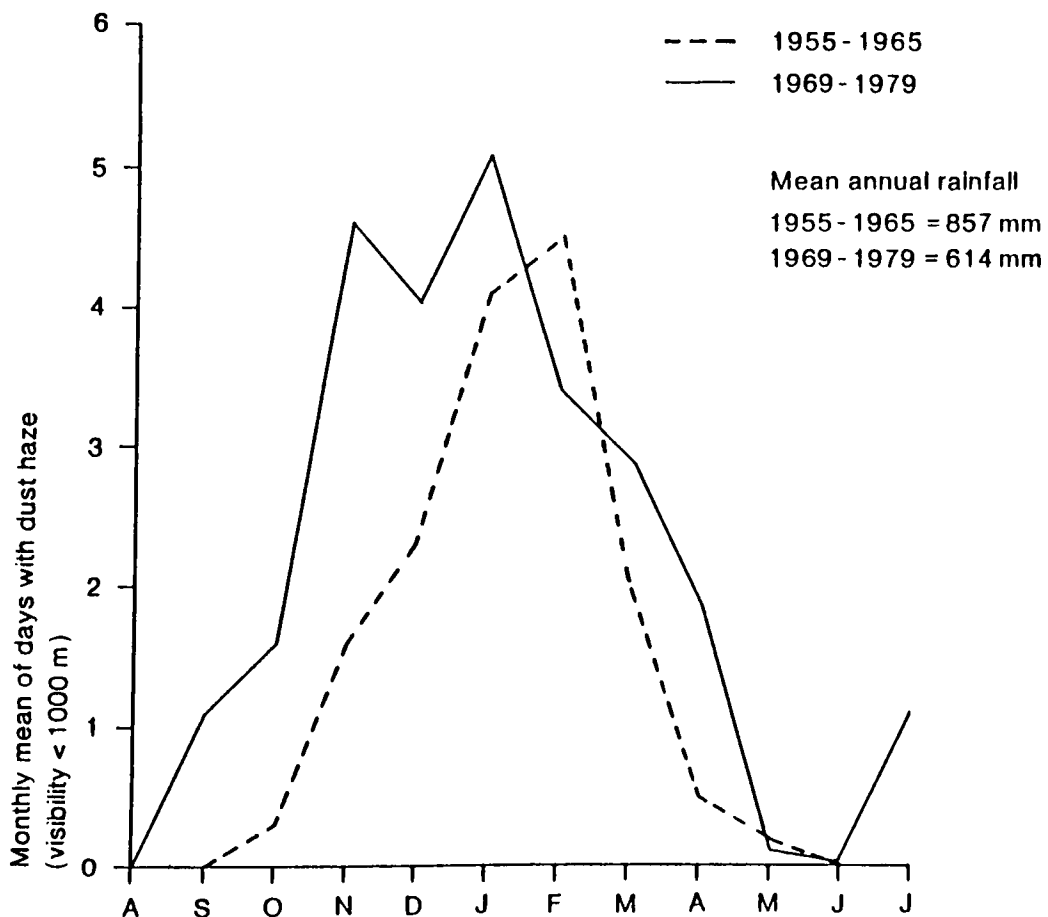
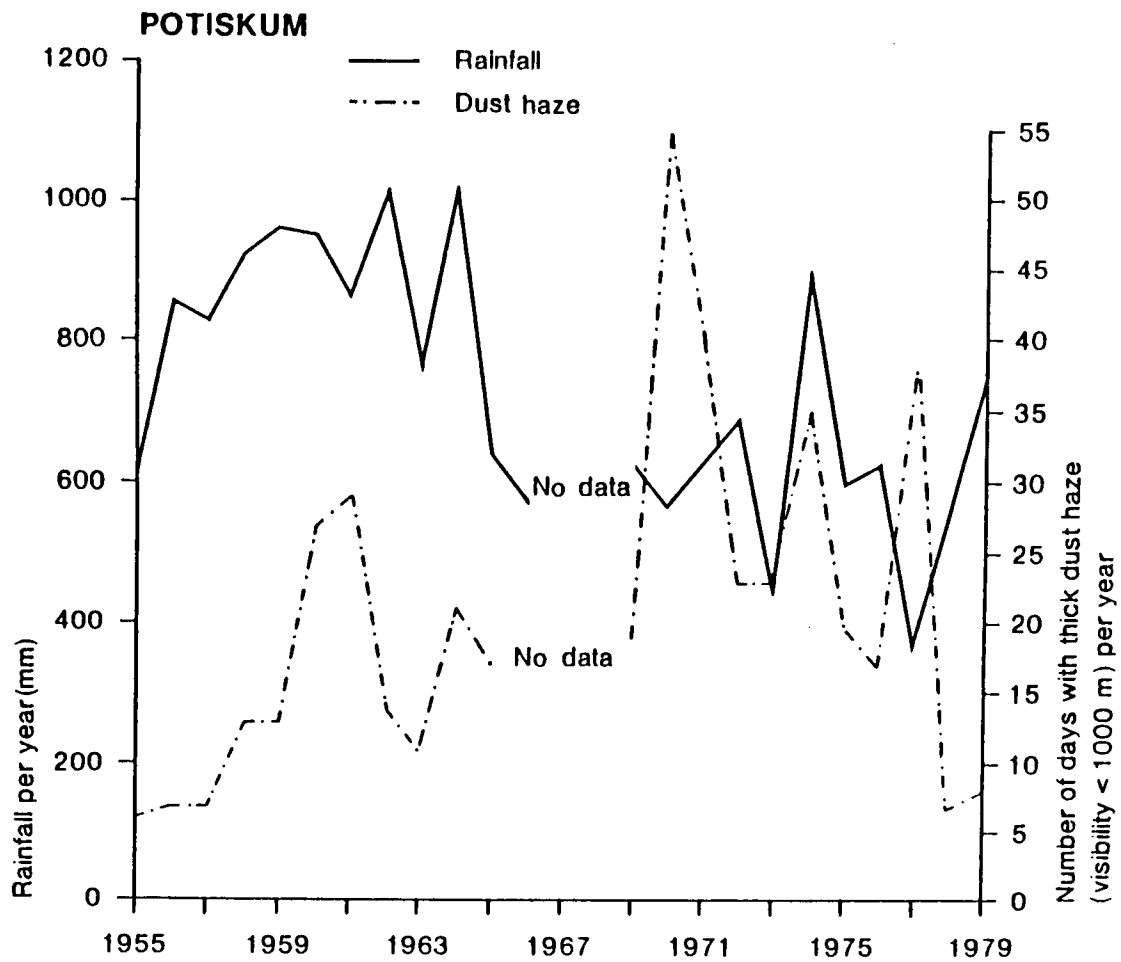


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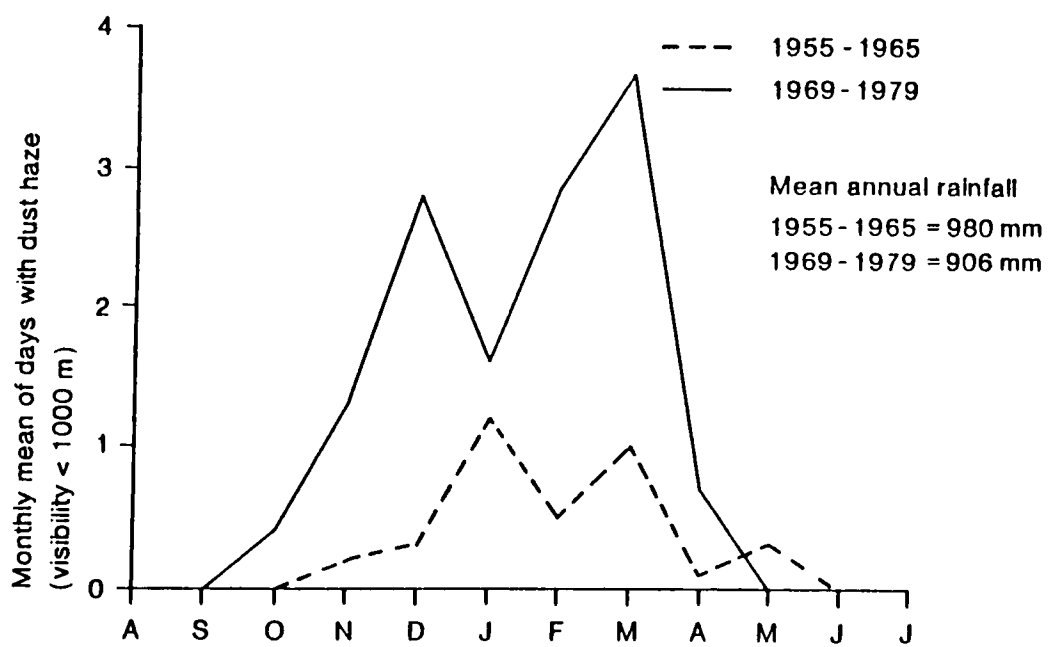
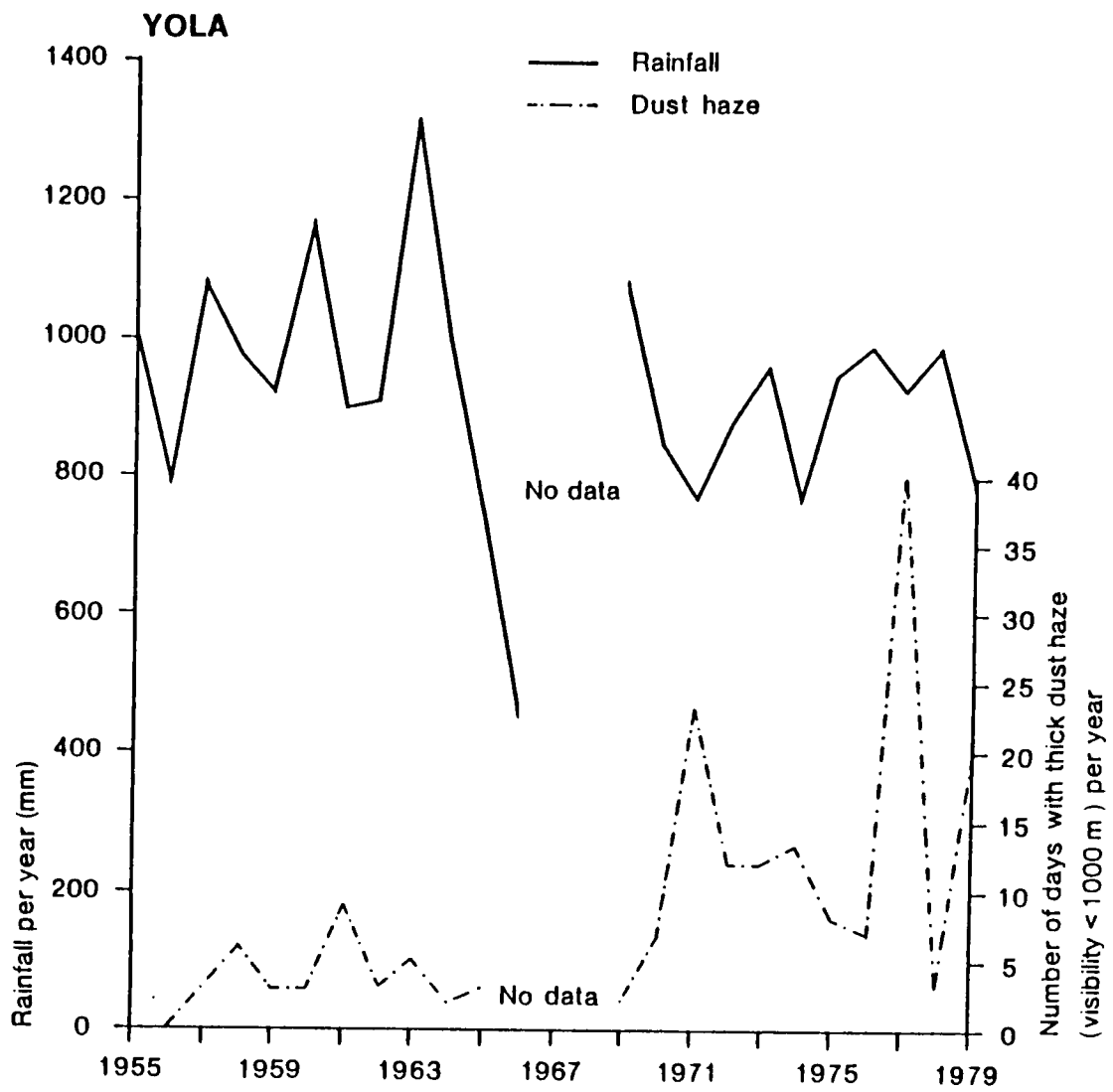


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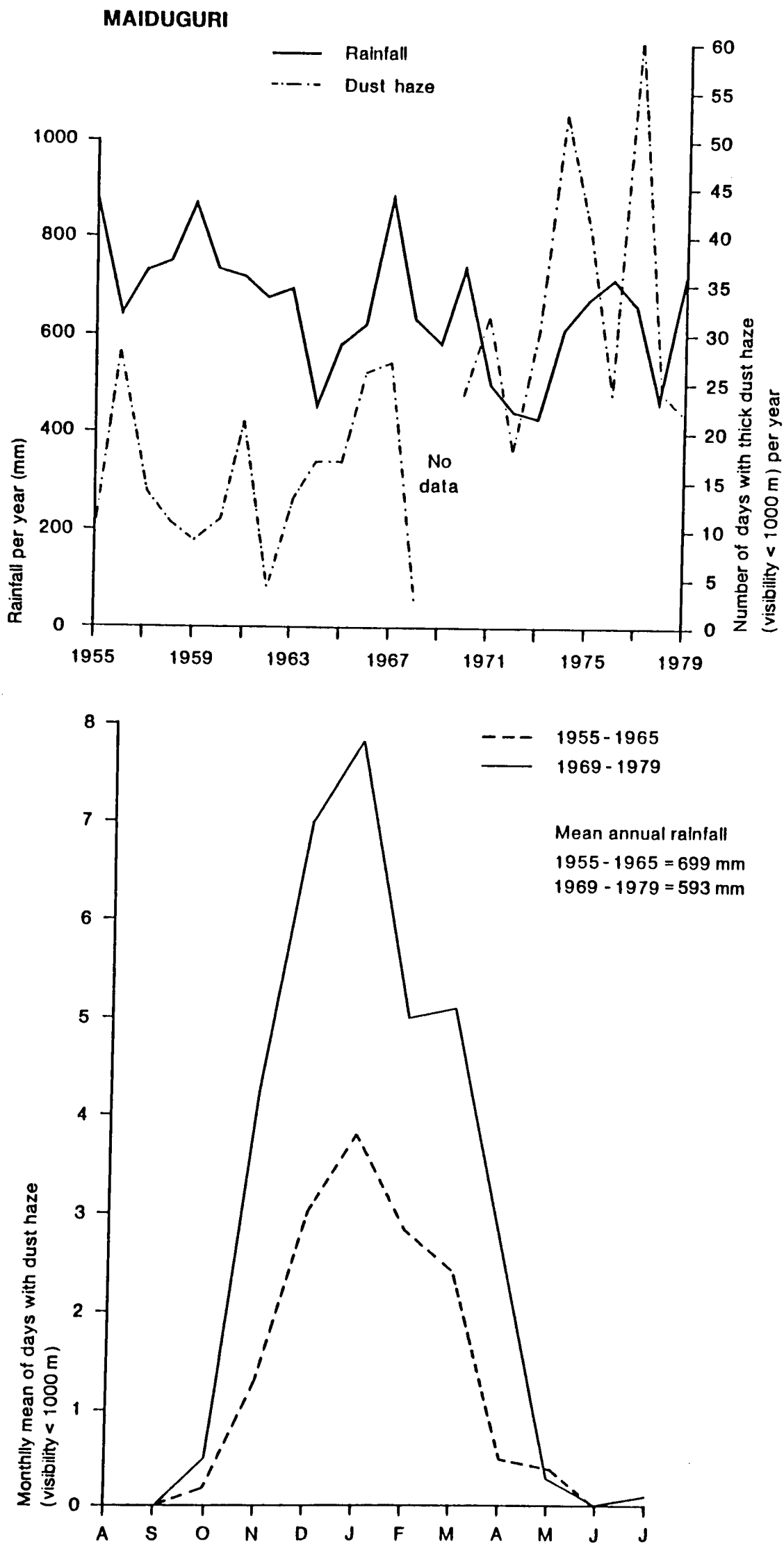


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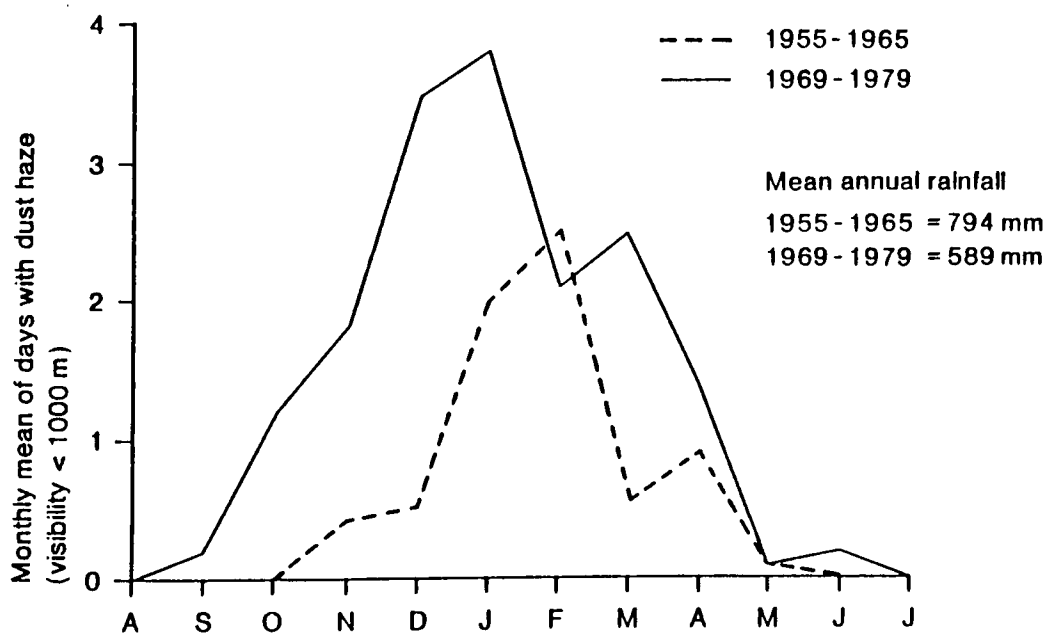
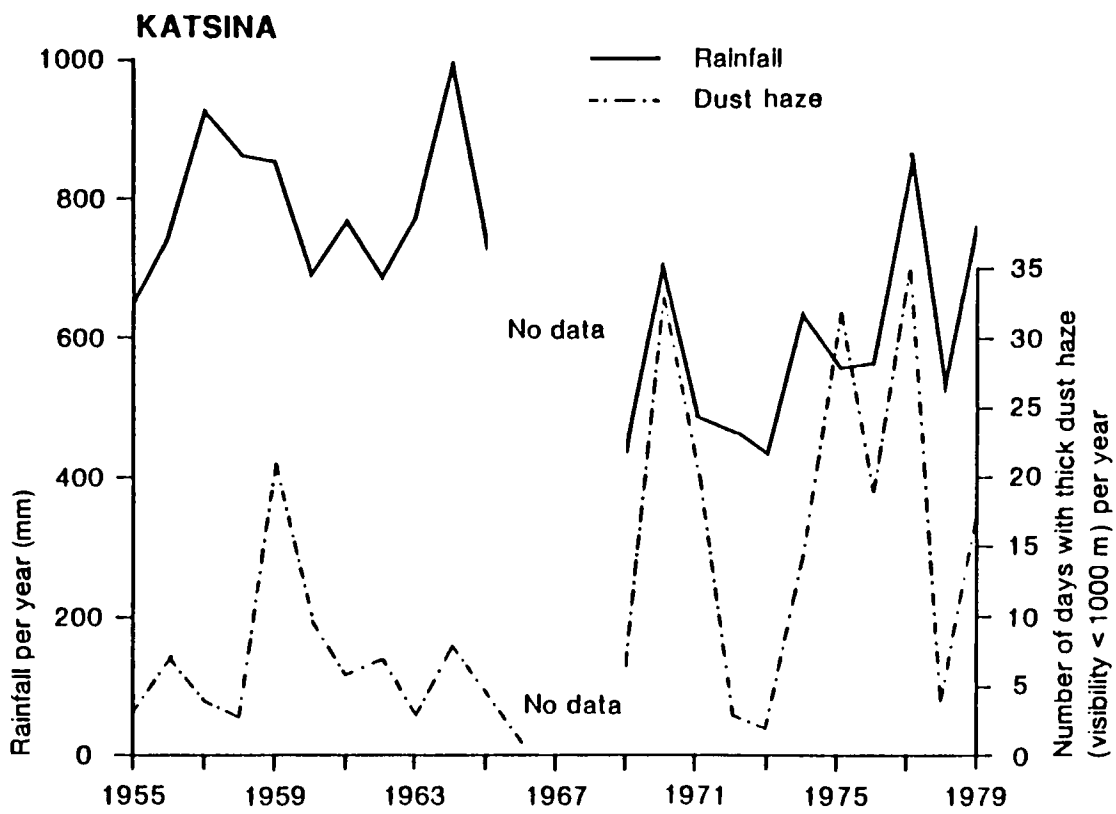


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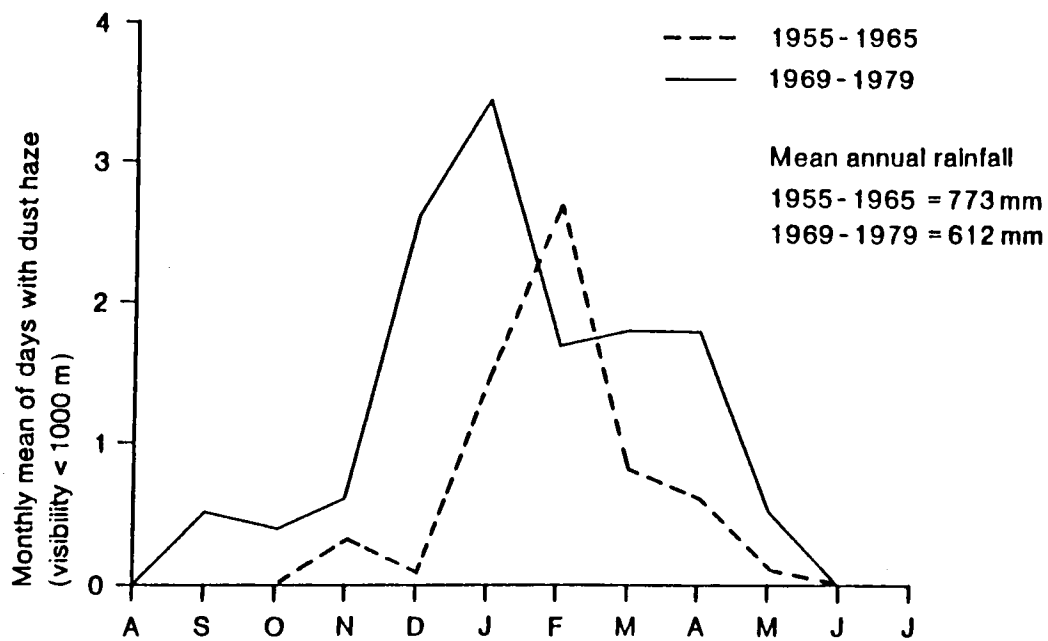
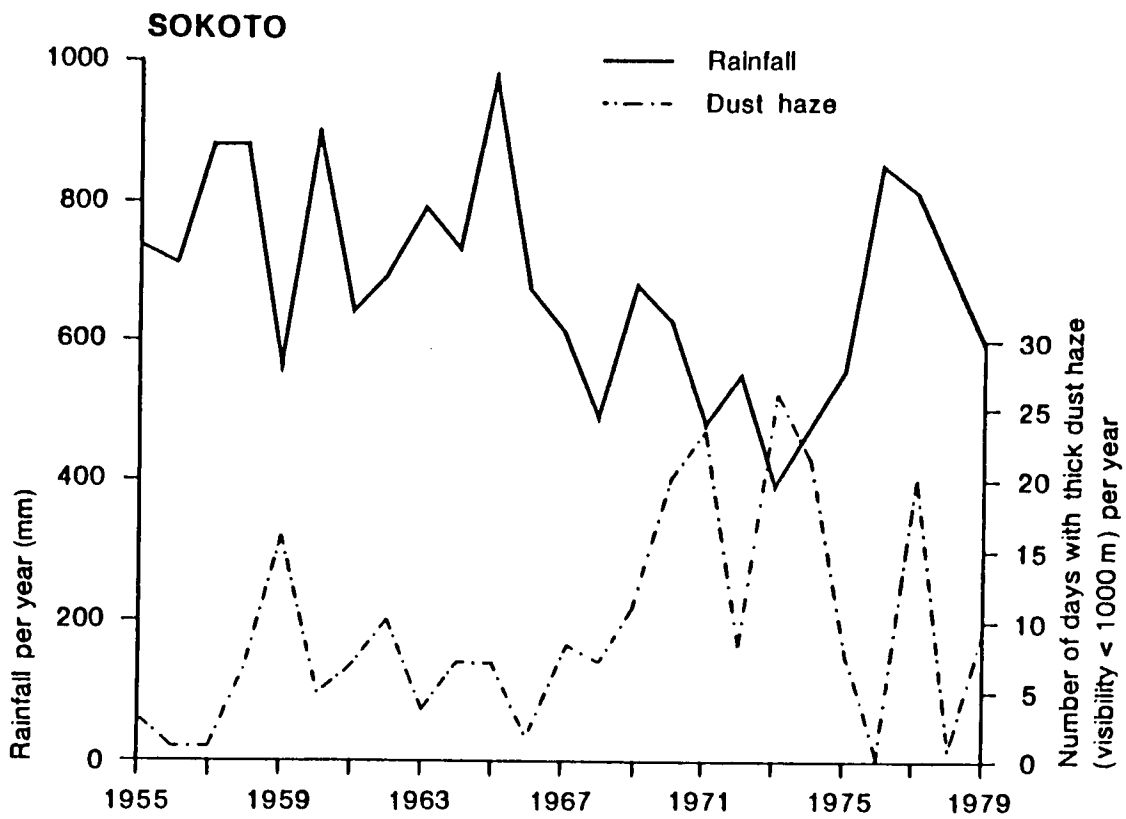


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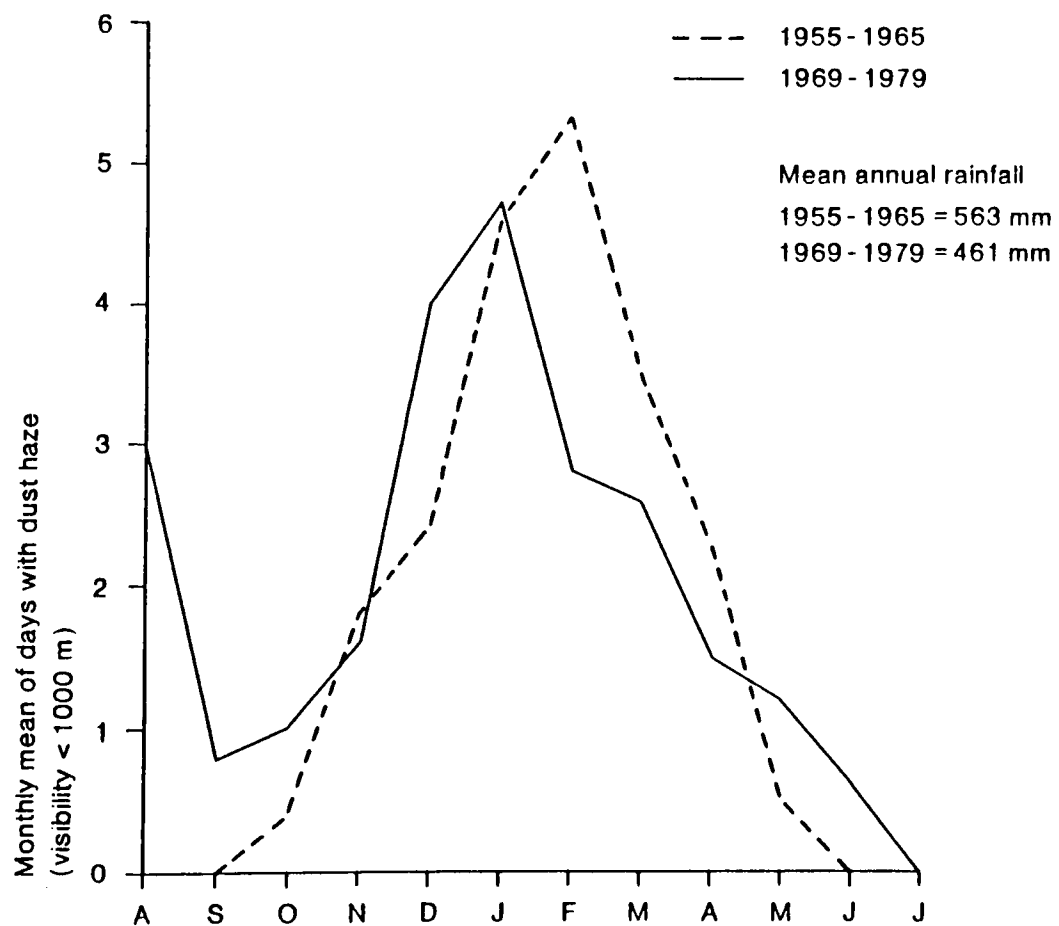
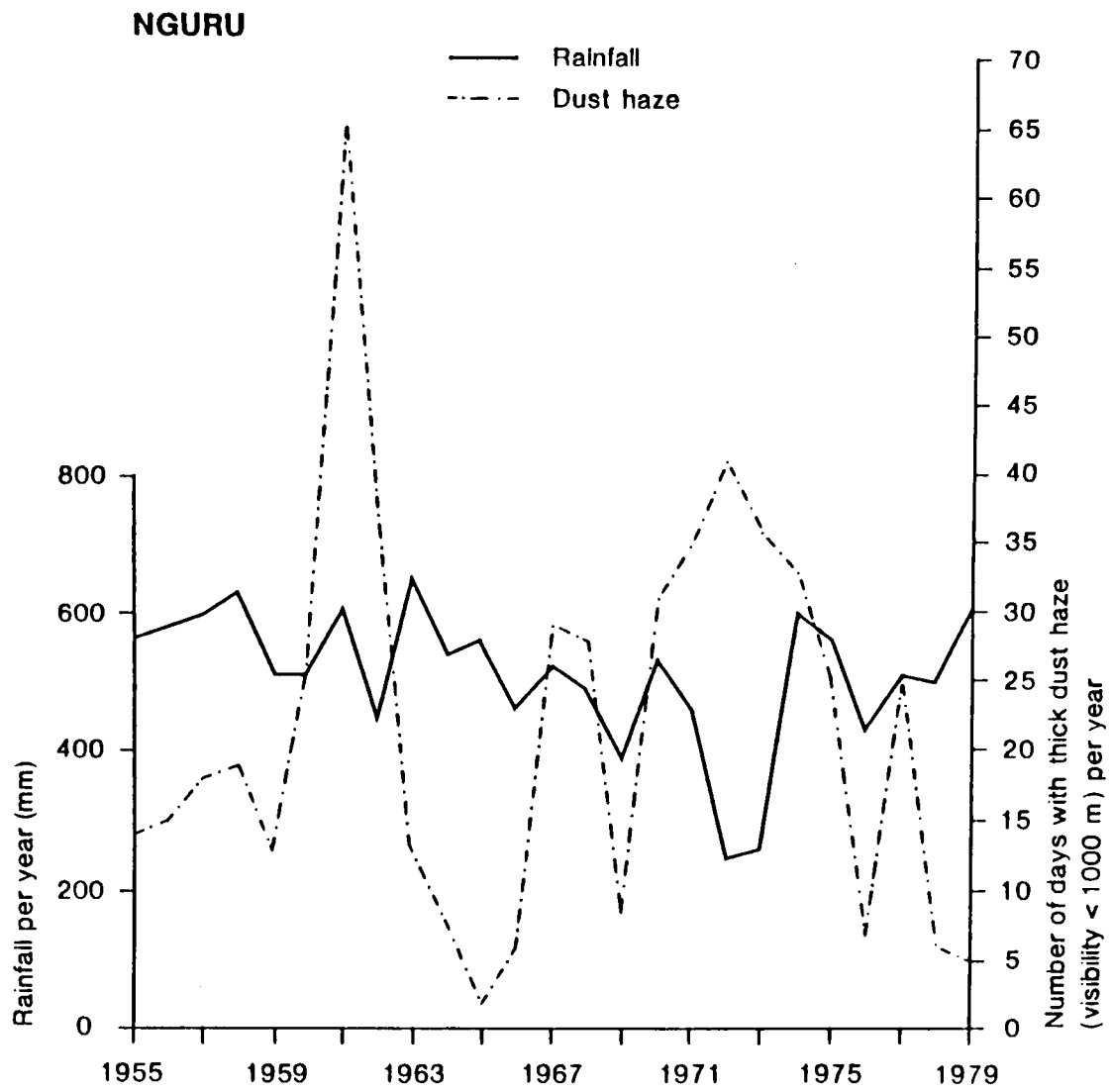


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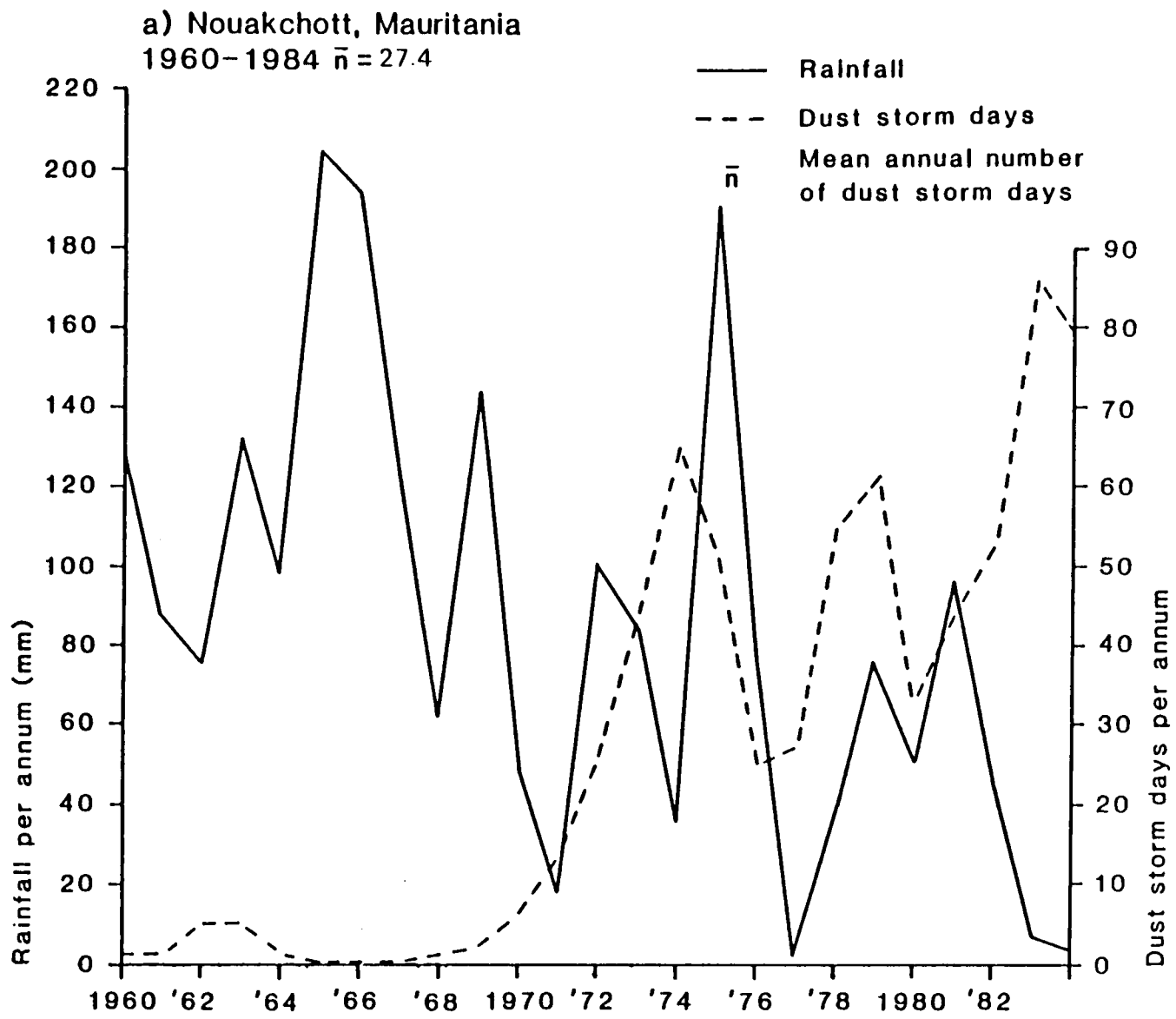


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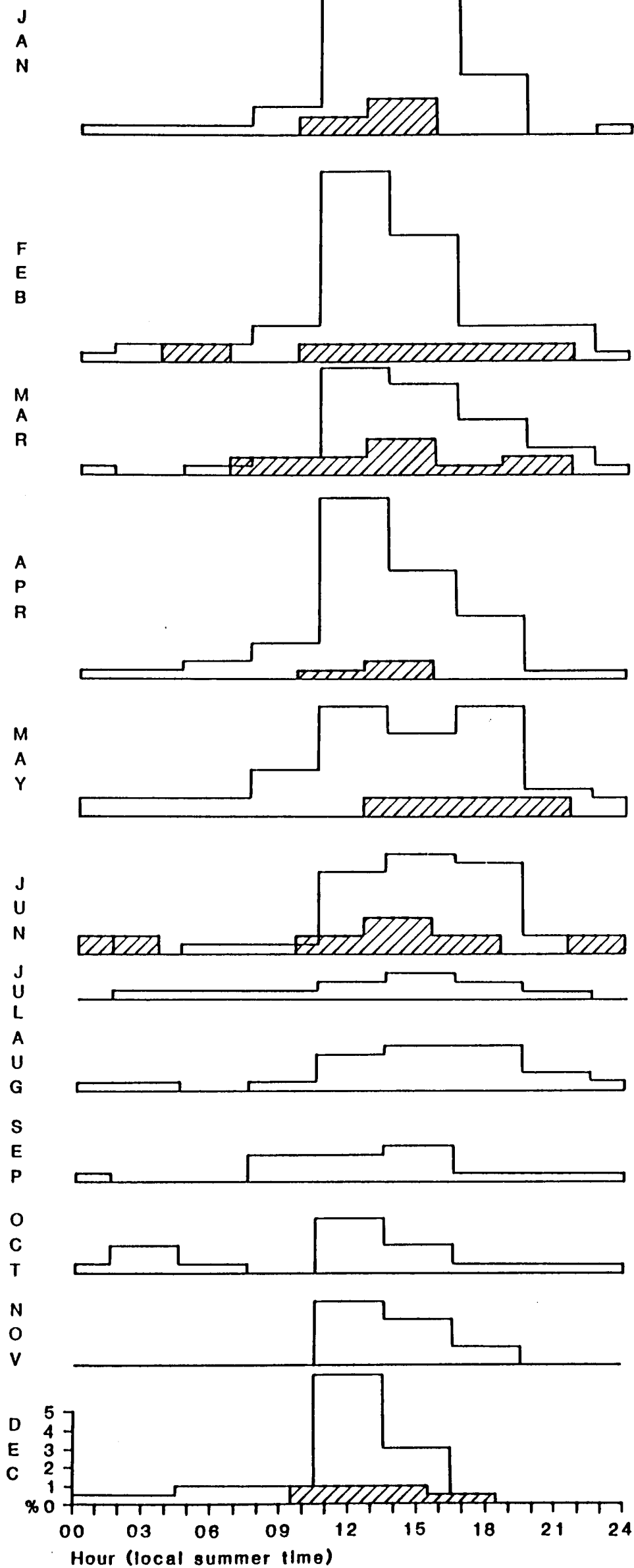


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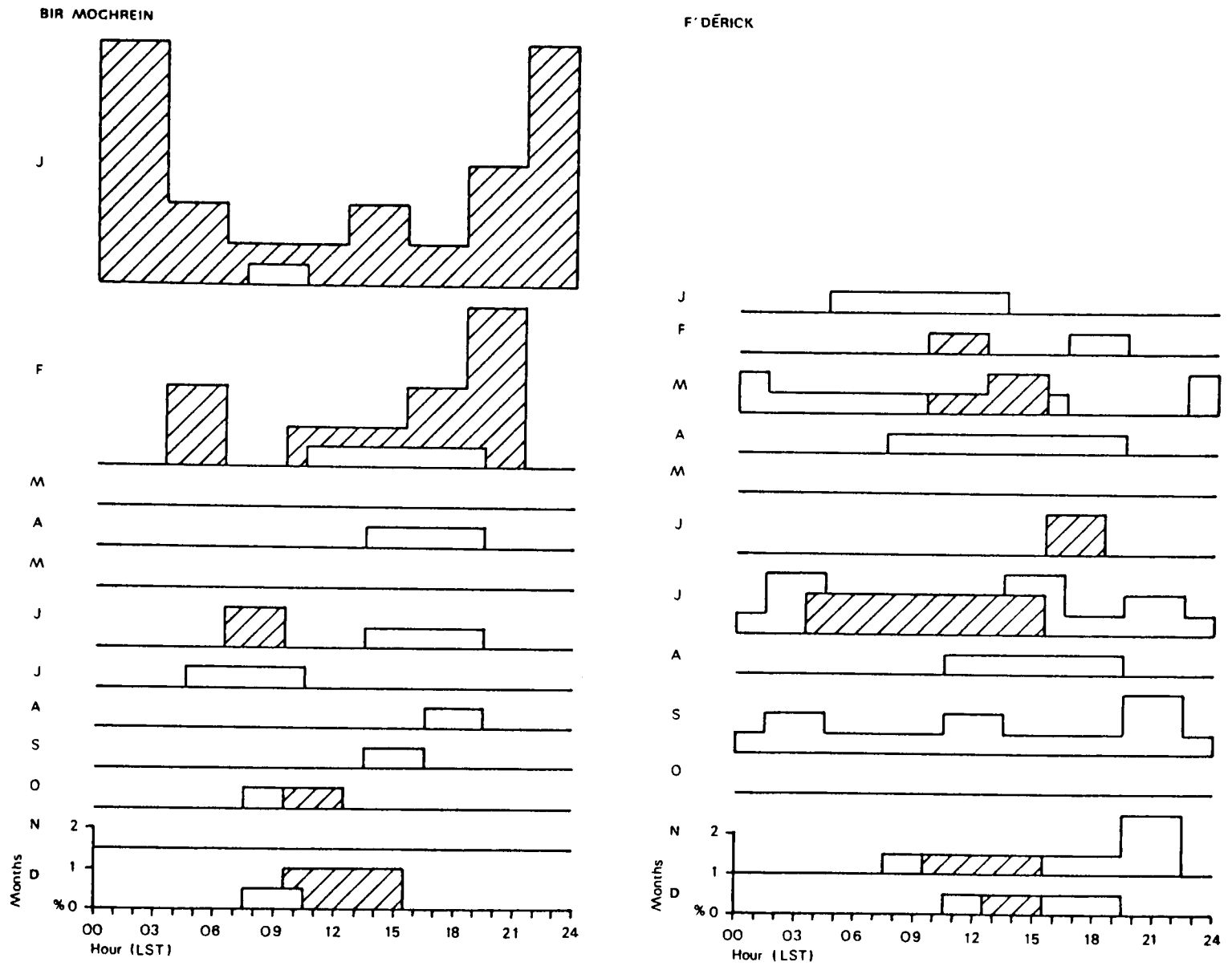


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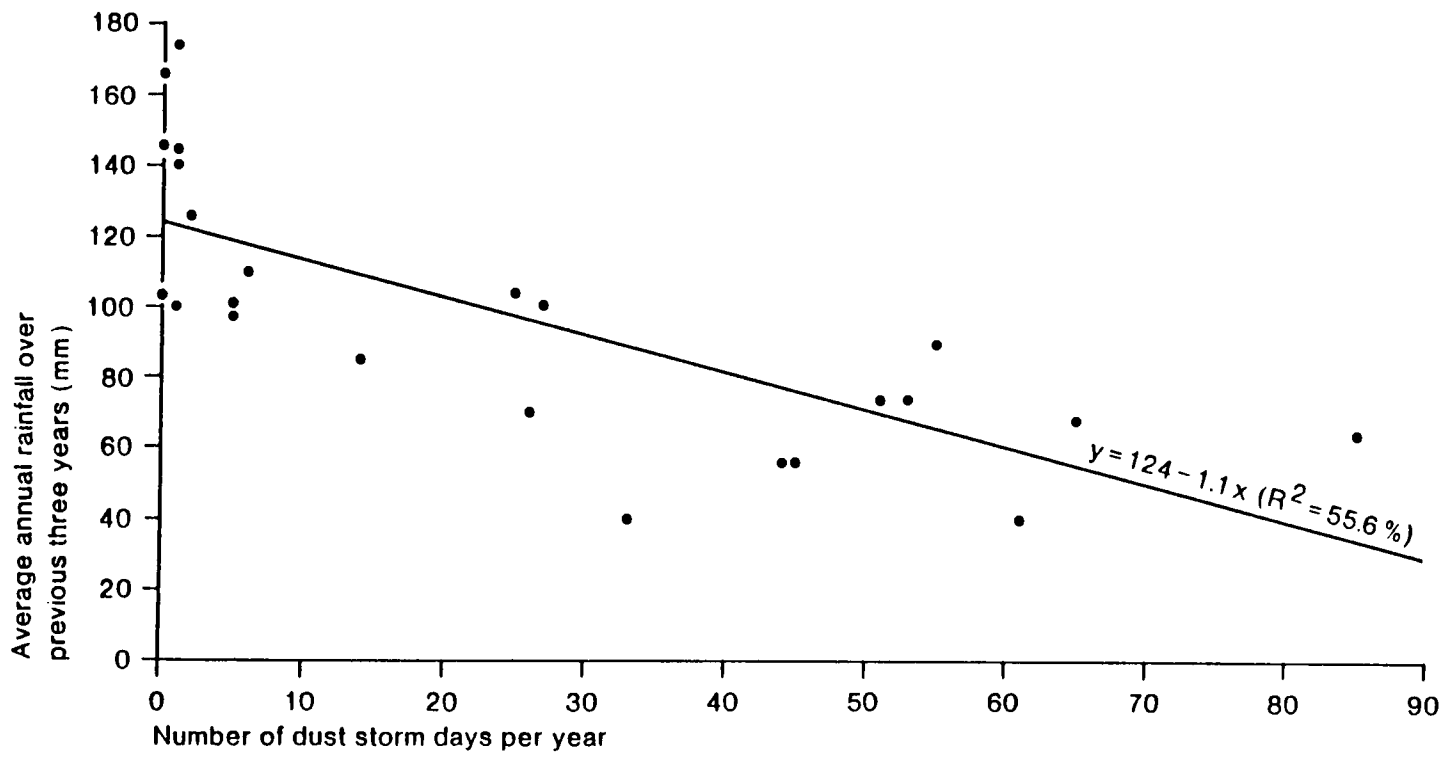
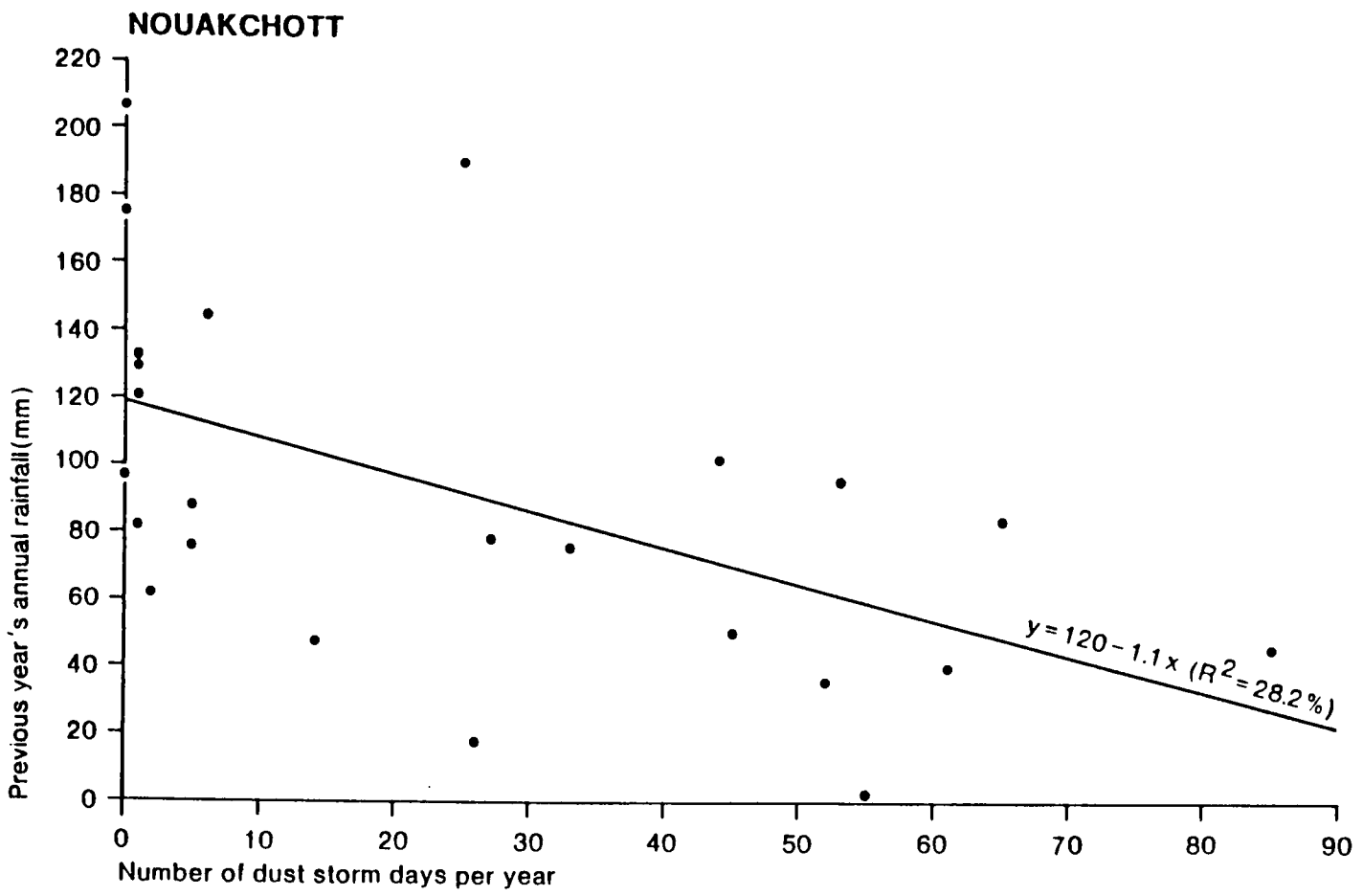


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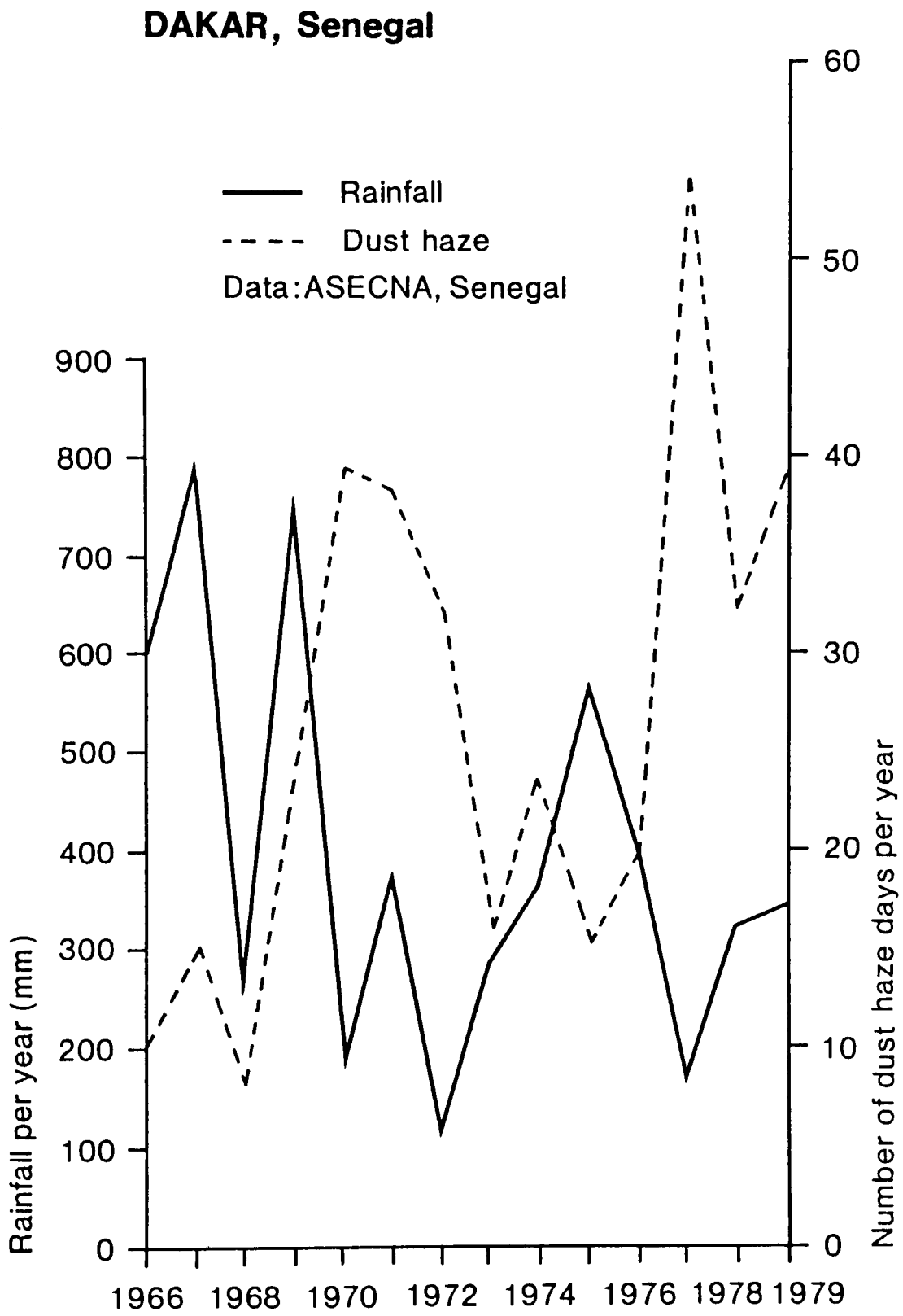


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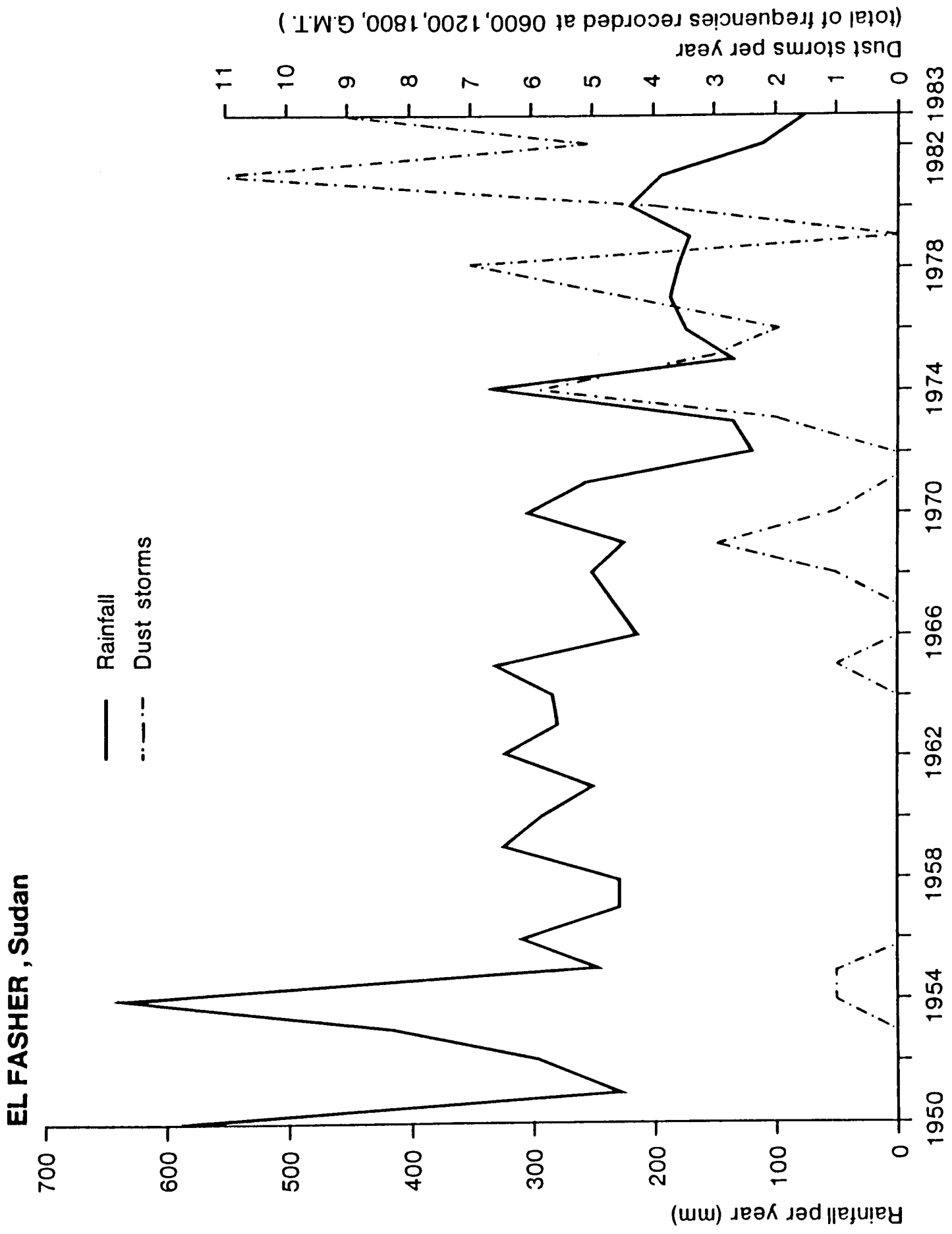


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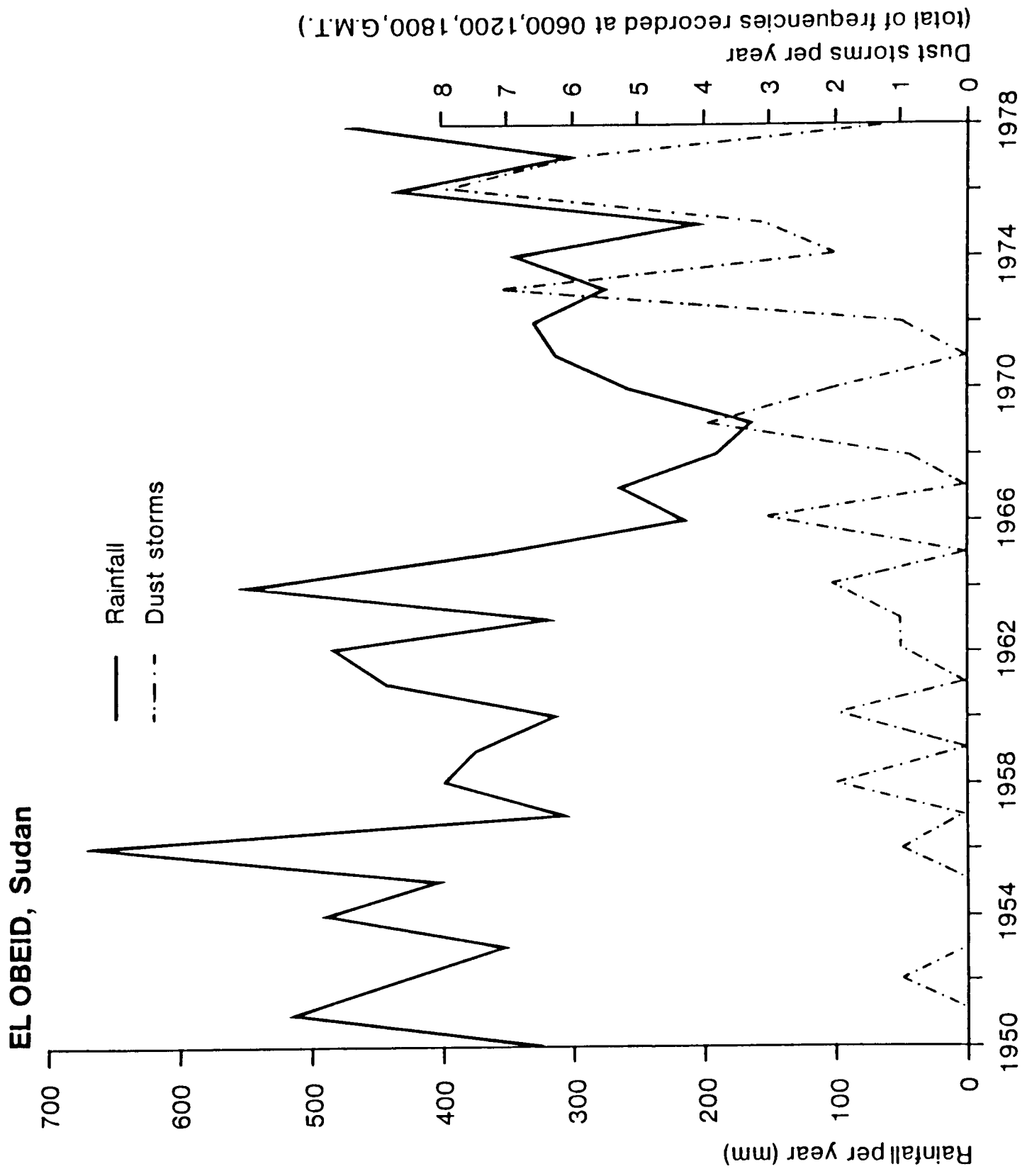


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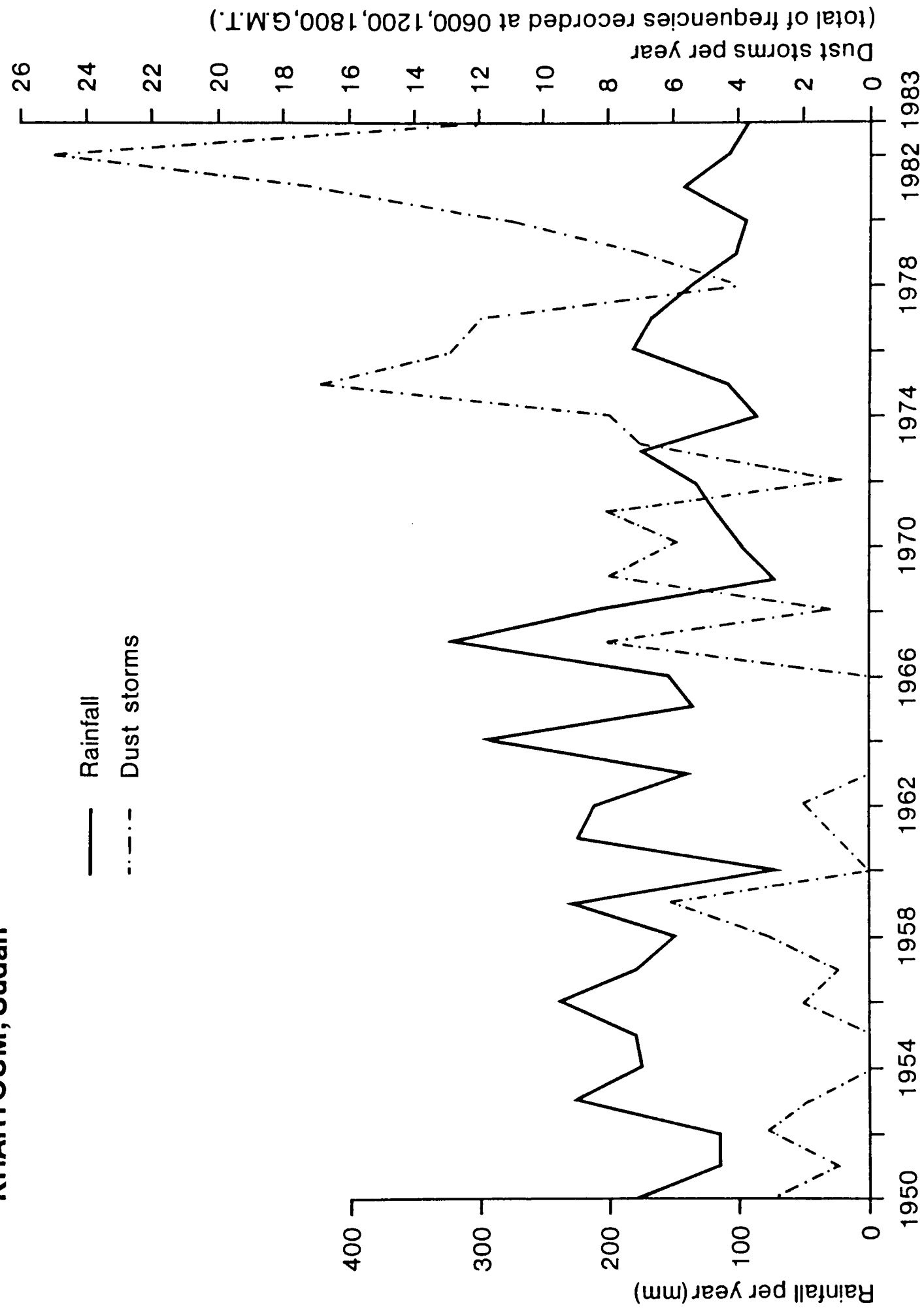


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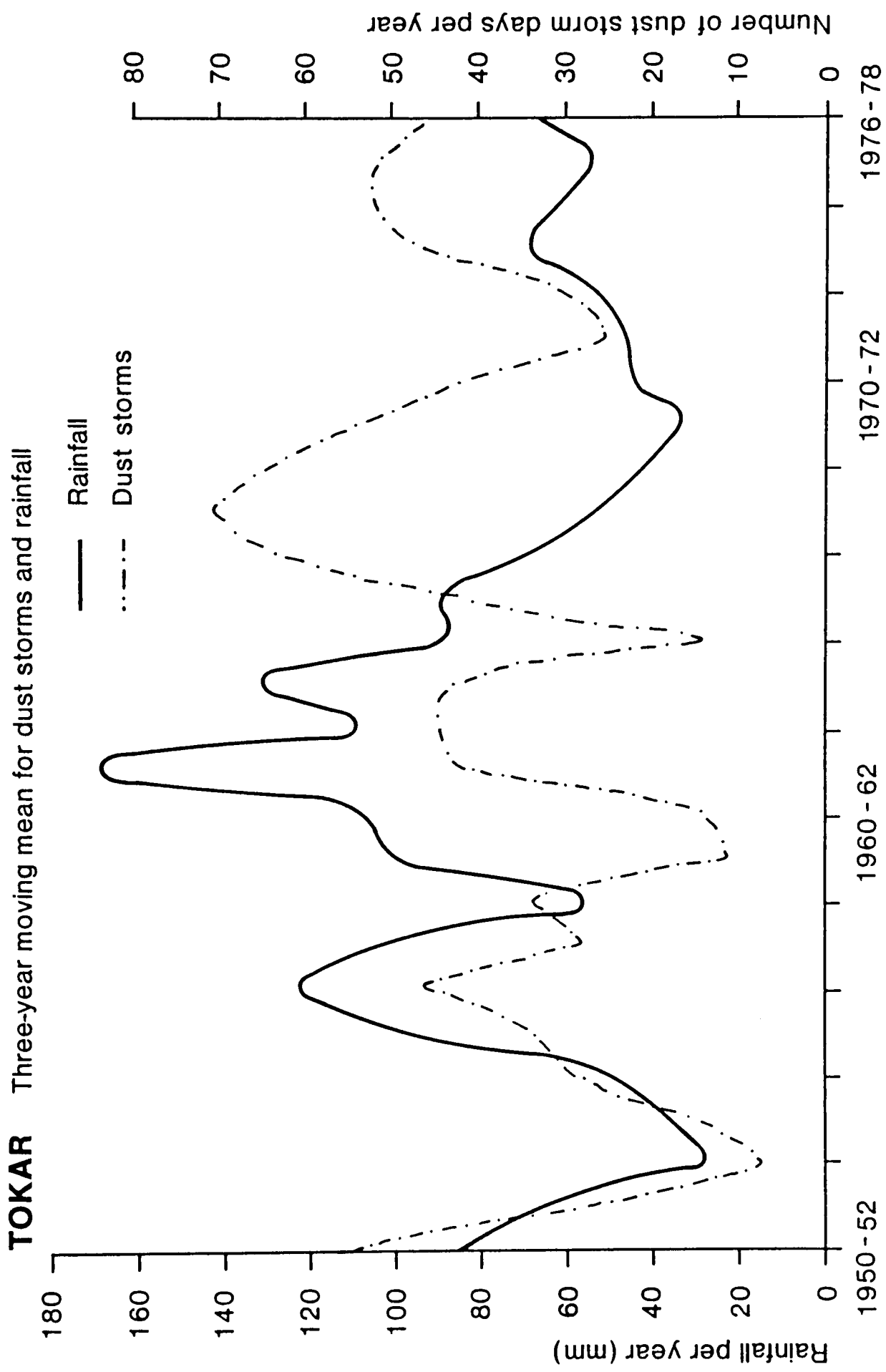


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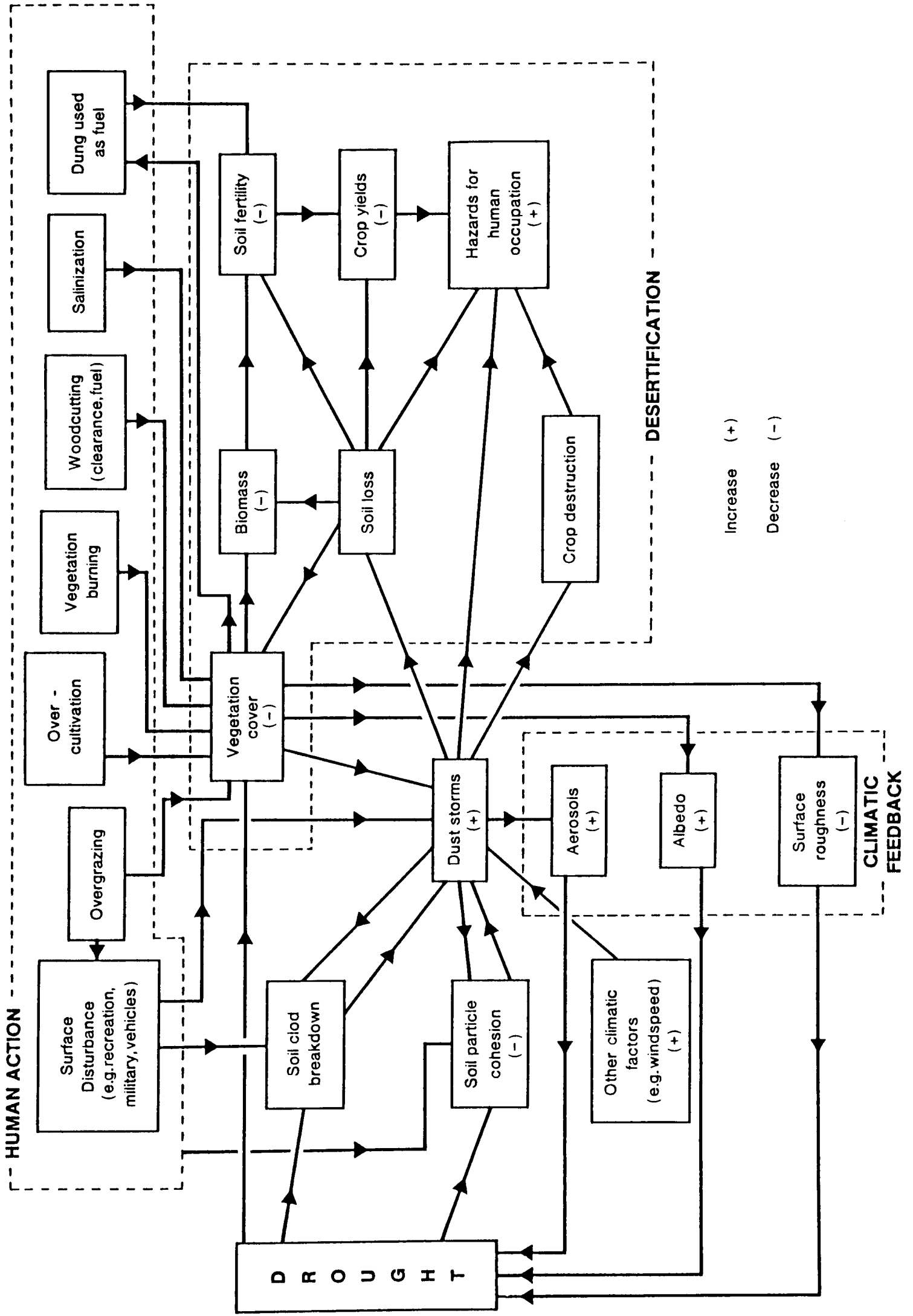


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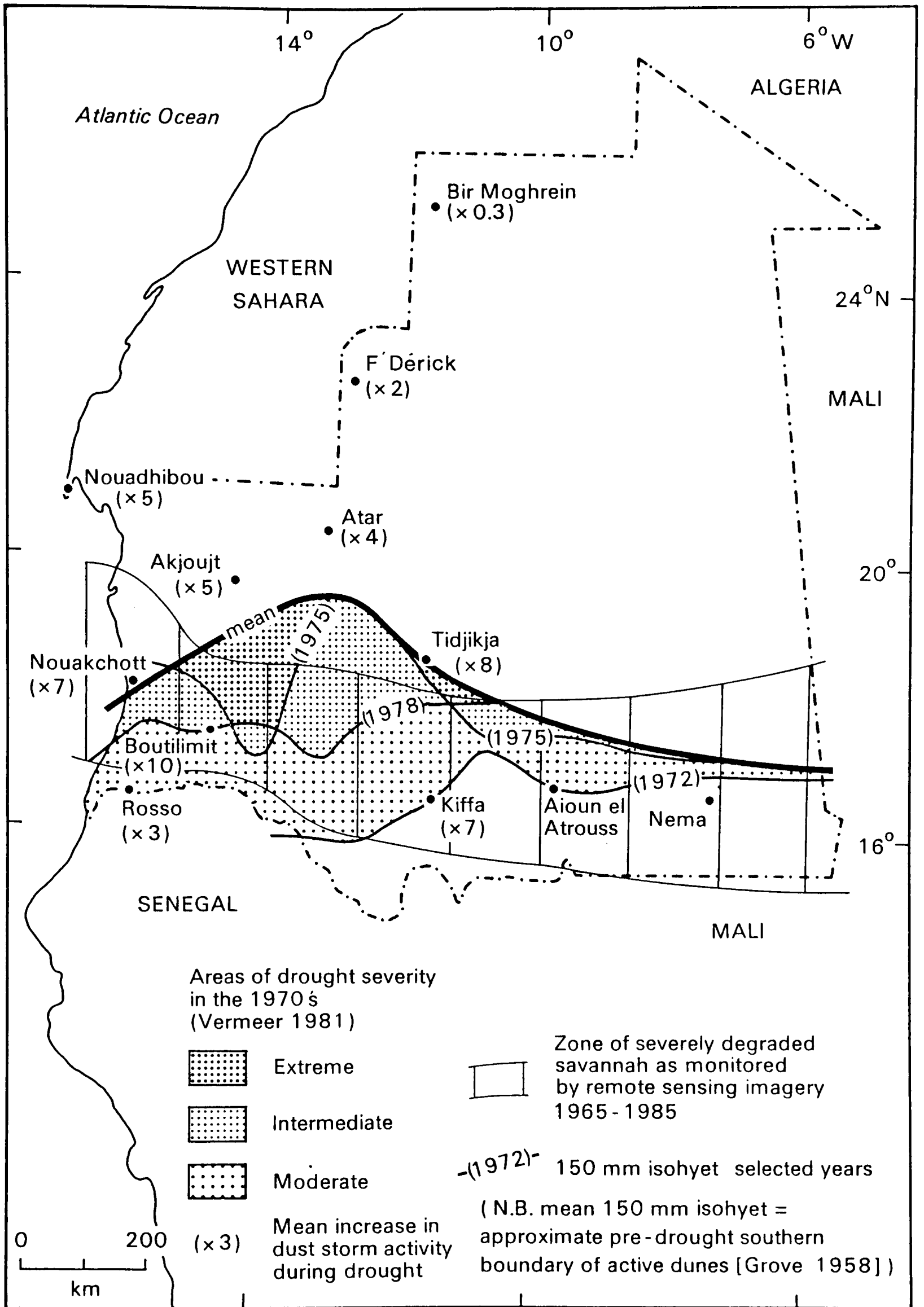
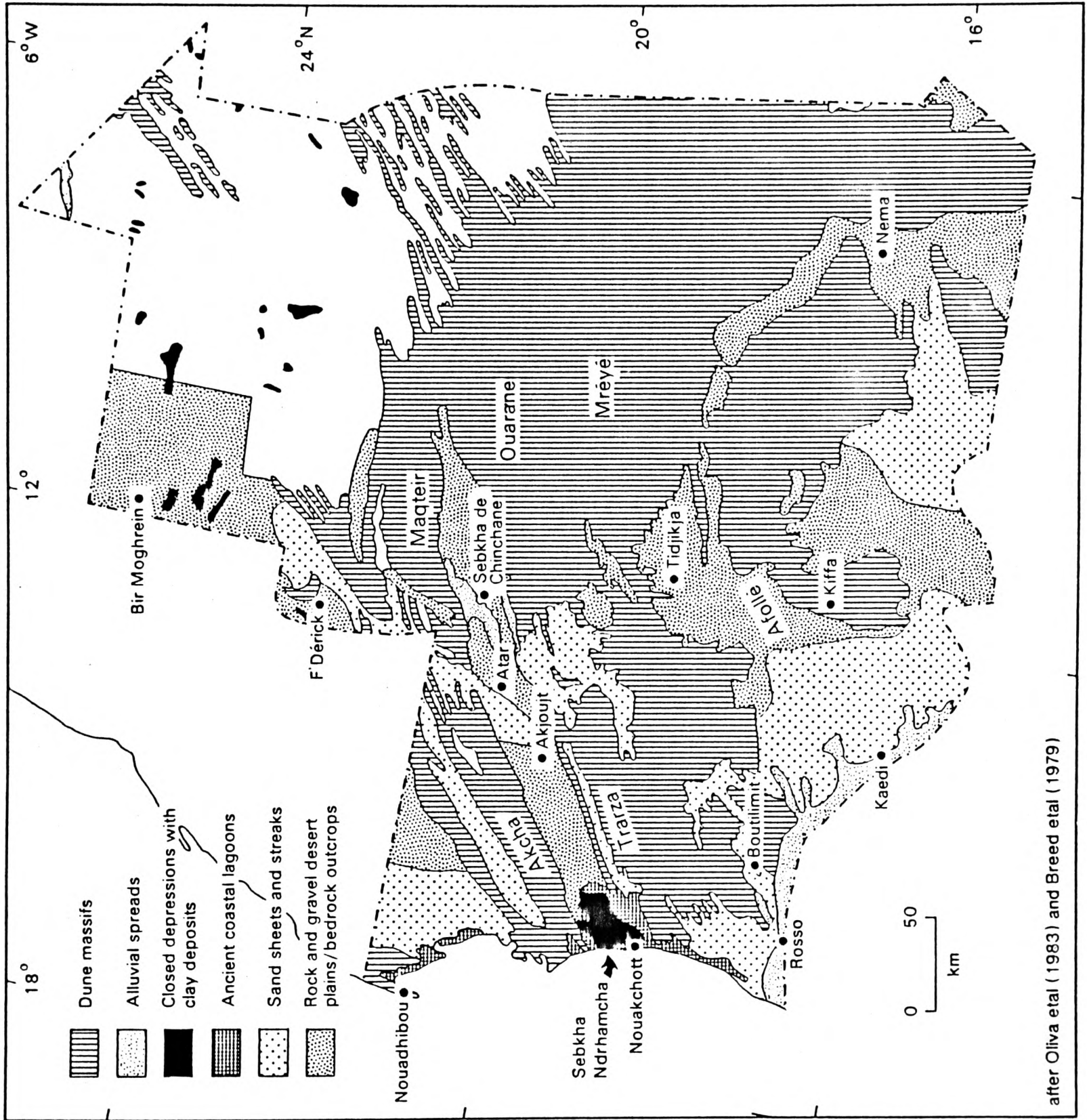


Figure 4.11 Drought severity, desertification & the increase in dust storms during the current Sahel drought in Mauritania



after Oliva et al (1983) and Breed et al (1979)

Figure 4.12 Geomorphology of Mauritania

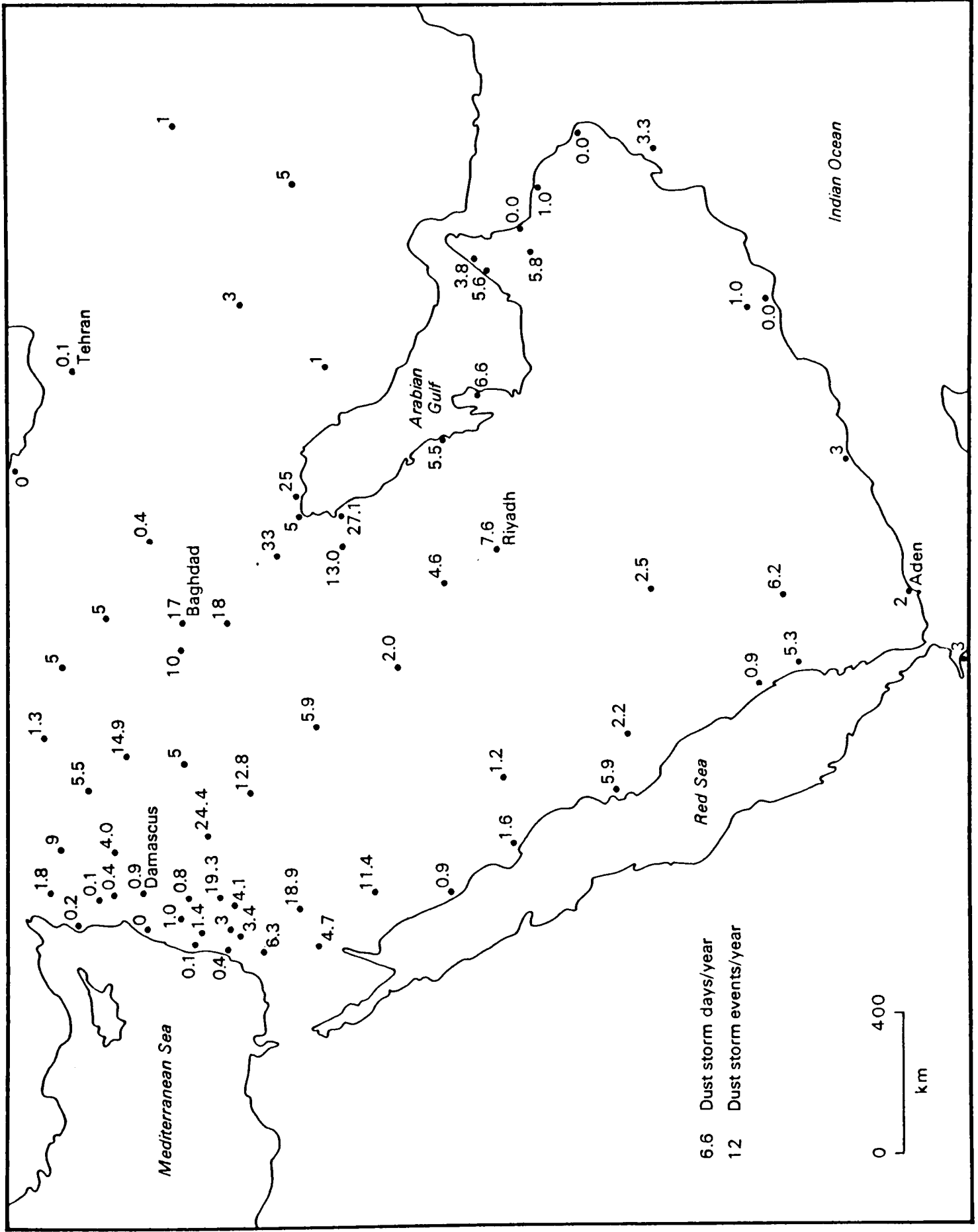


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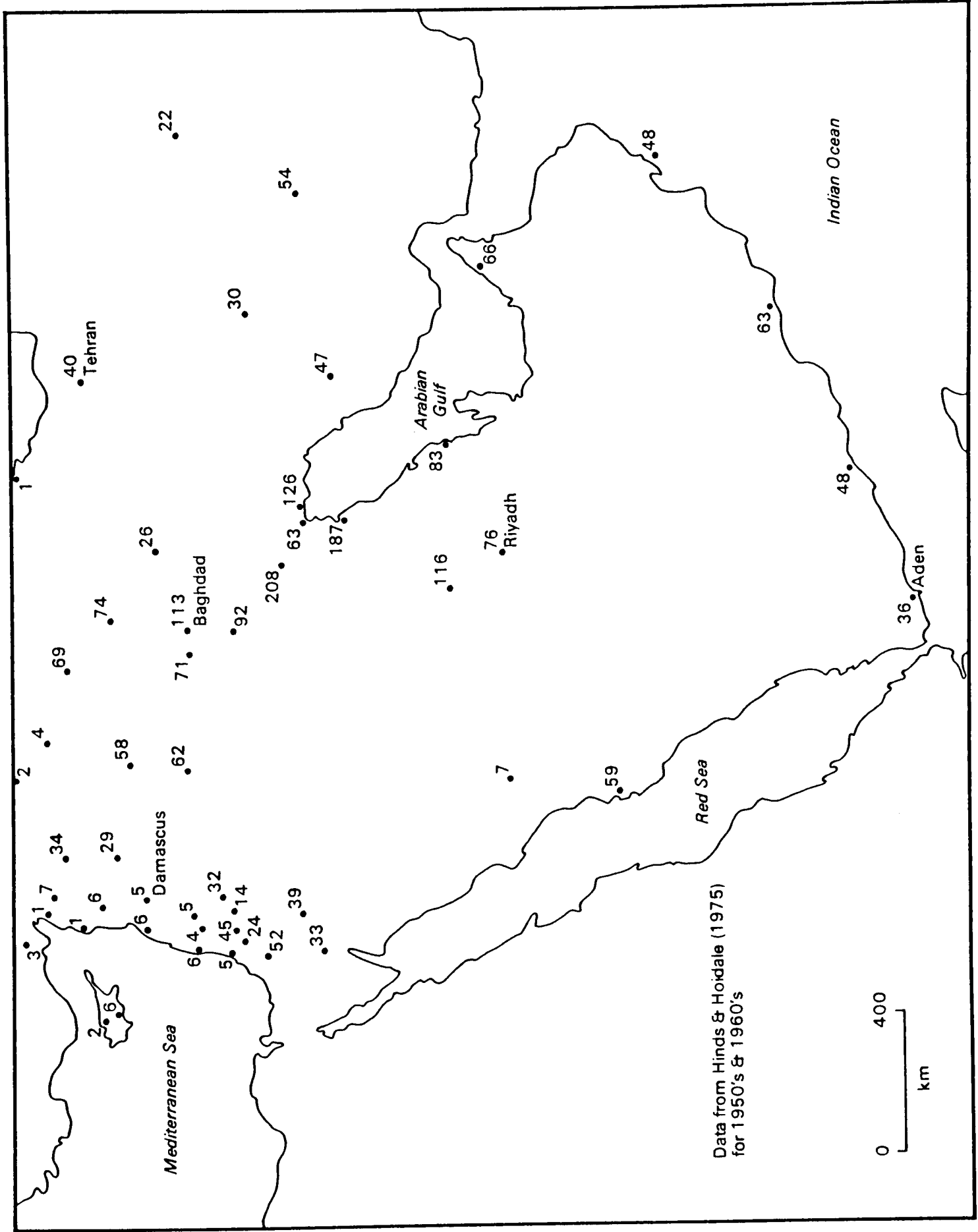


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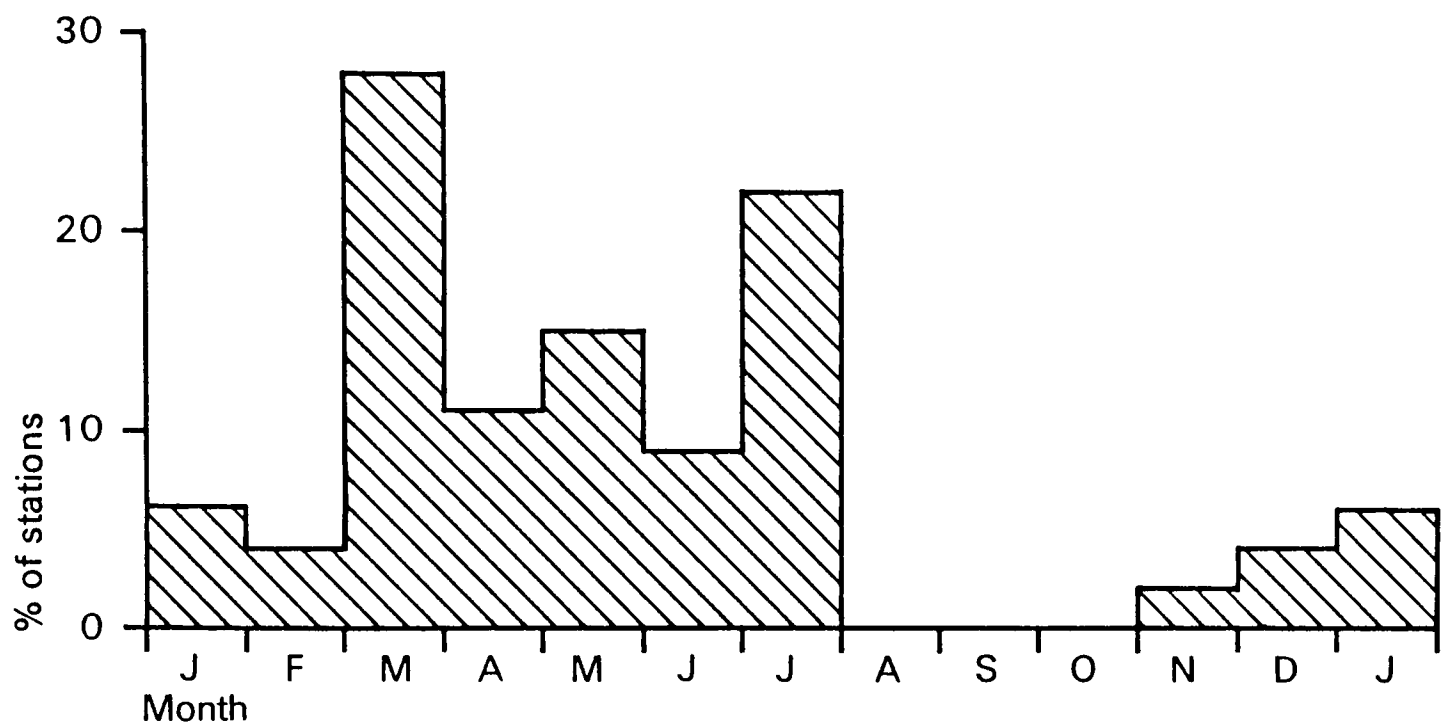


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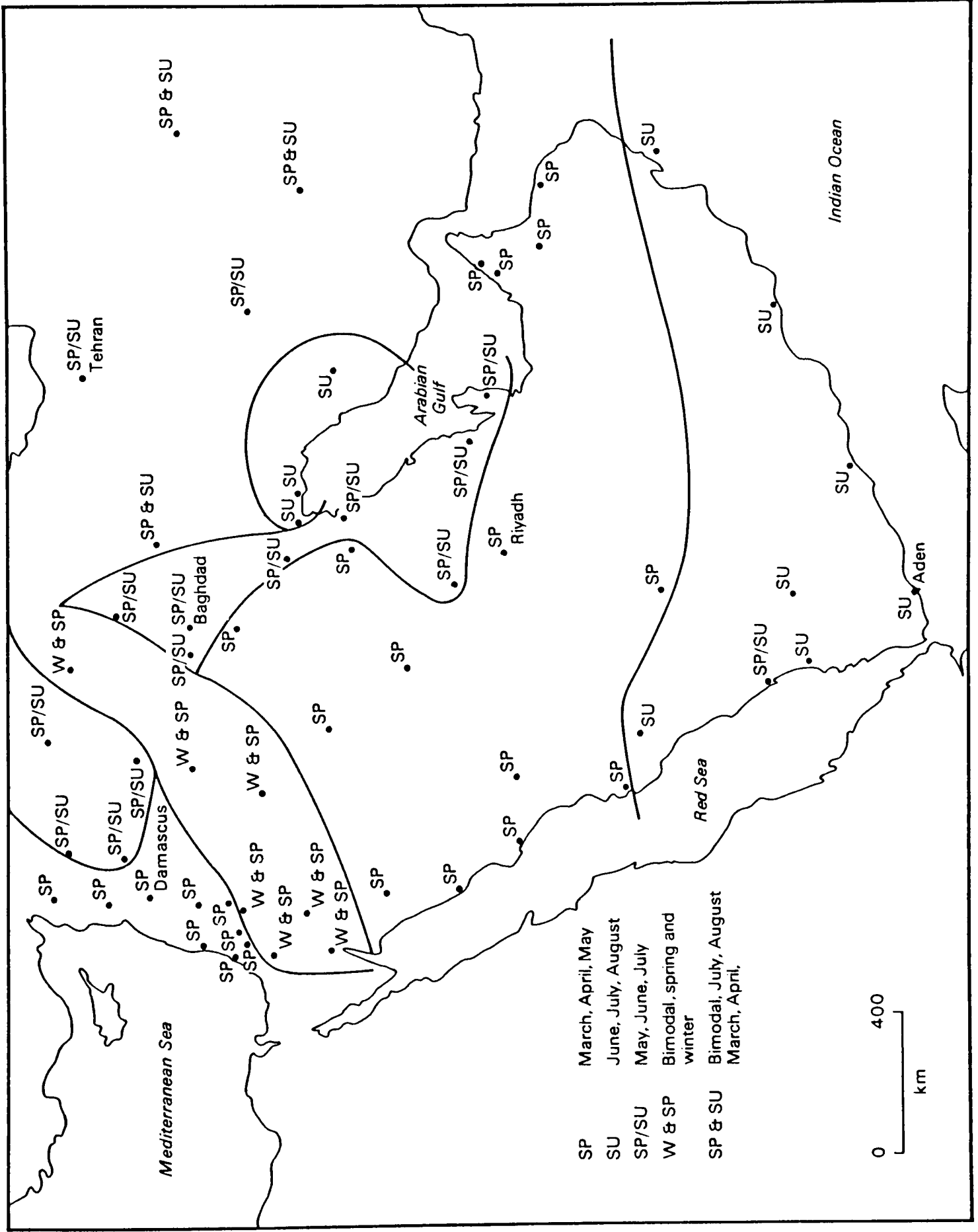
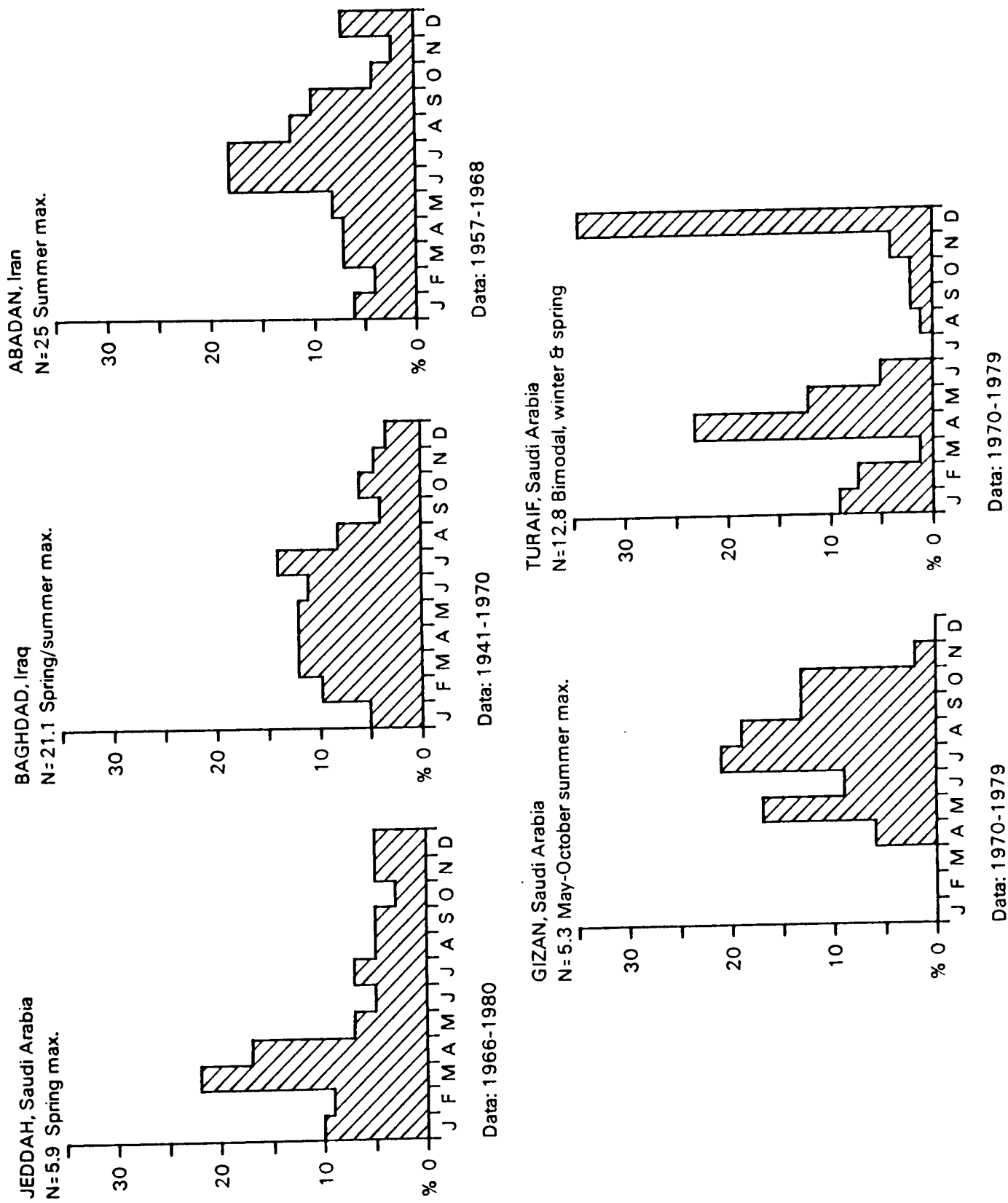


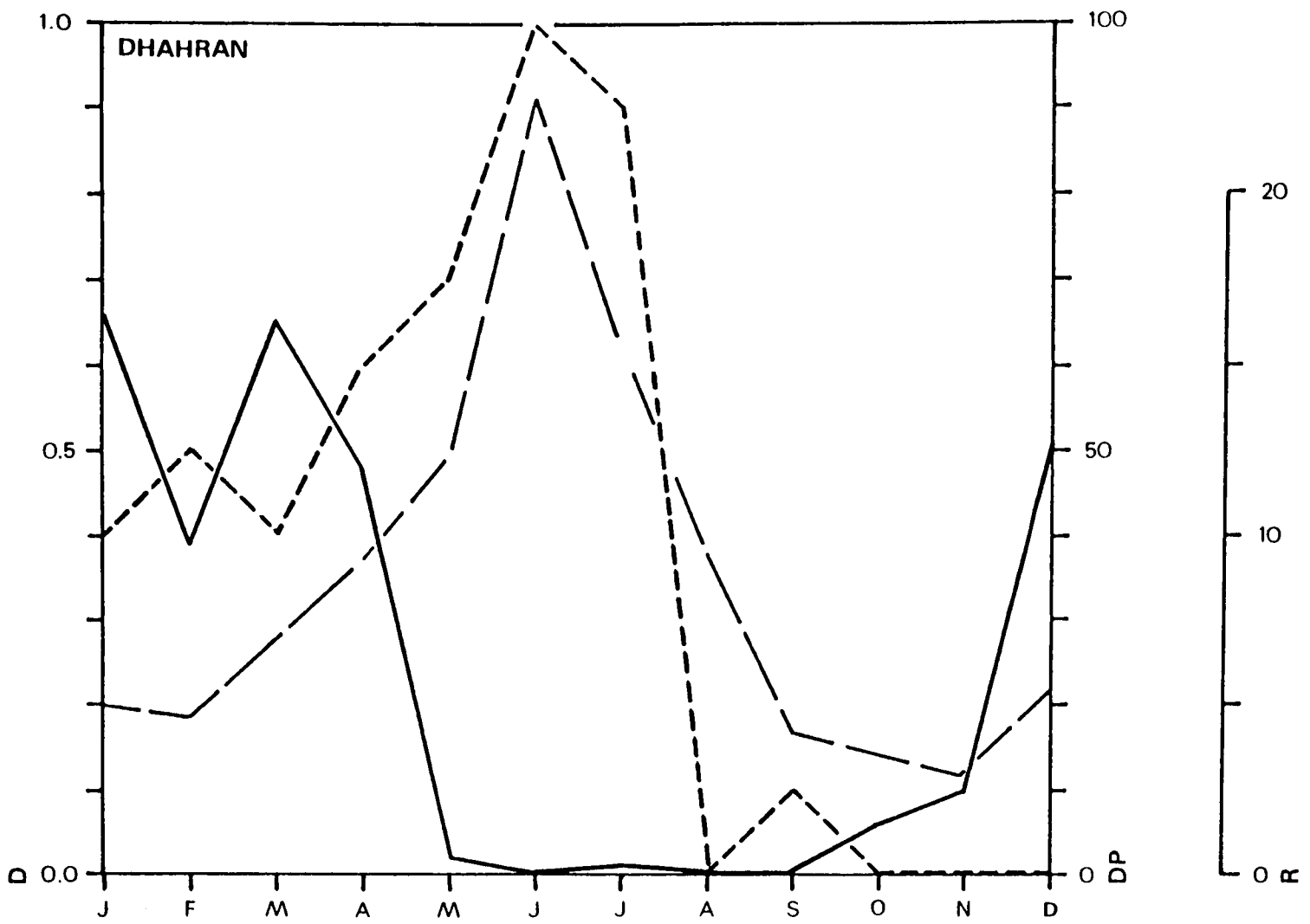
Figure 5.4 Seasonality of dust events in the Middle East



(N: Average number of dust storm days per annum)

Figure 5.5 Five types of monthly percentage frequency distributions of dust storm occurrence in the Middle East

A



D = Dust storm days - - - - -  
 DP = Drift Potential (vector units) - - - - - (No annual totals: 1976 & 1981)  
 R = Rainfall (mm) ———

B



Figure 5.6A&B Monthly dust storm frequencies, rainfall totals & Drift Potentials, with annual totals of dust storms & Drift Potentials (1970-81) for Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

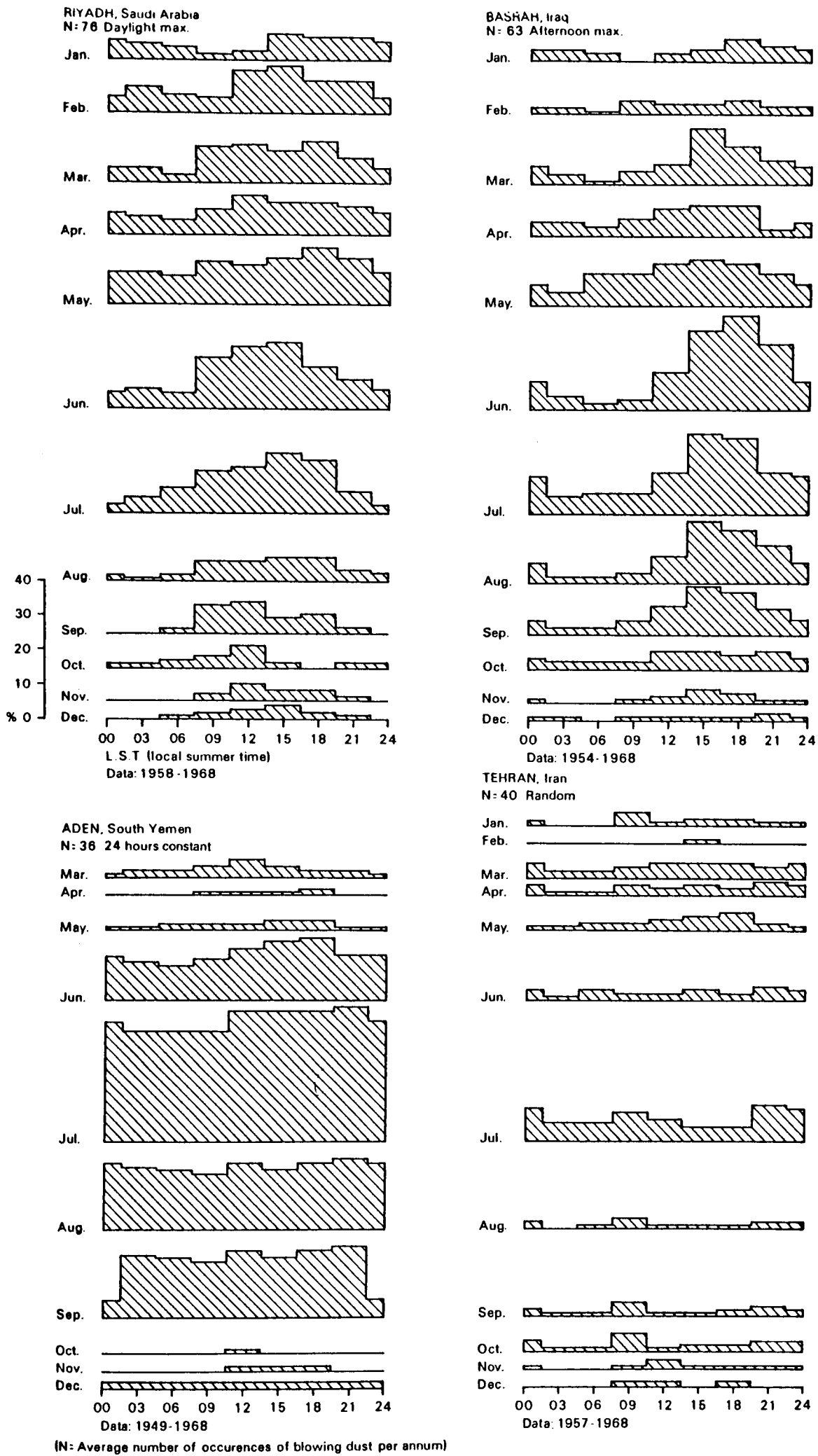
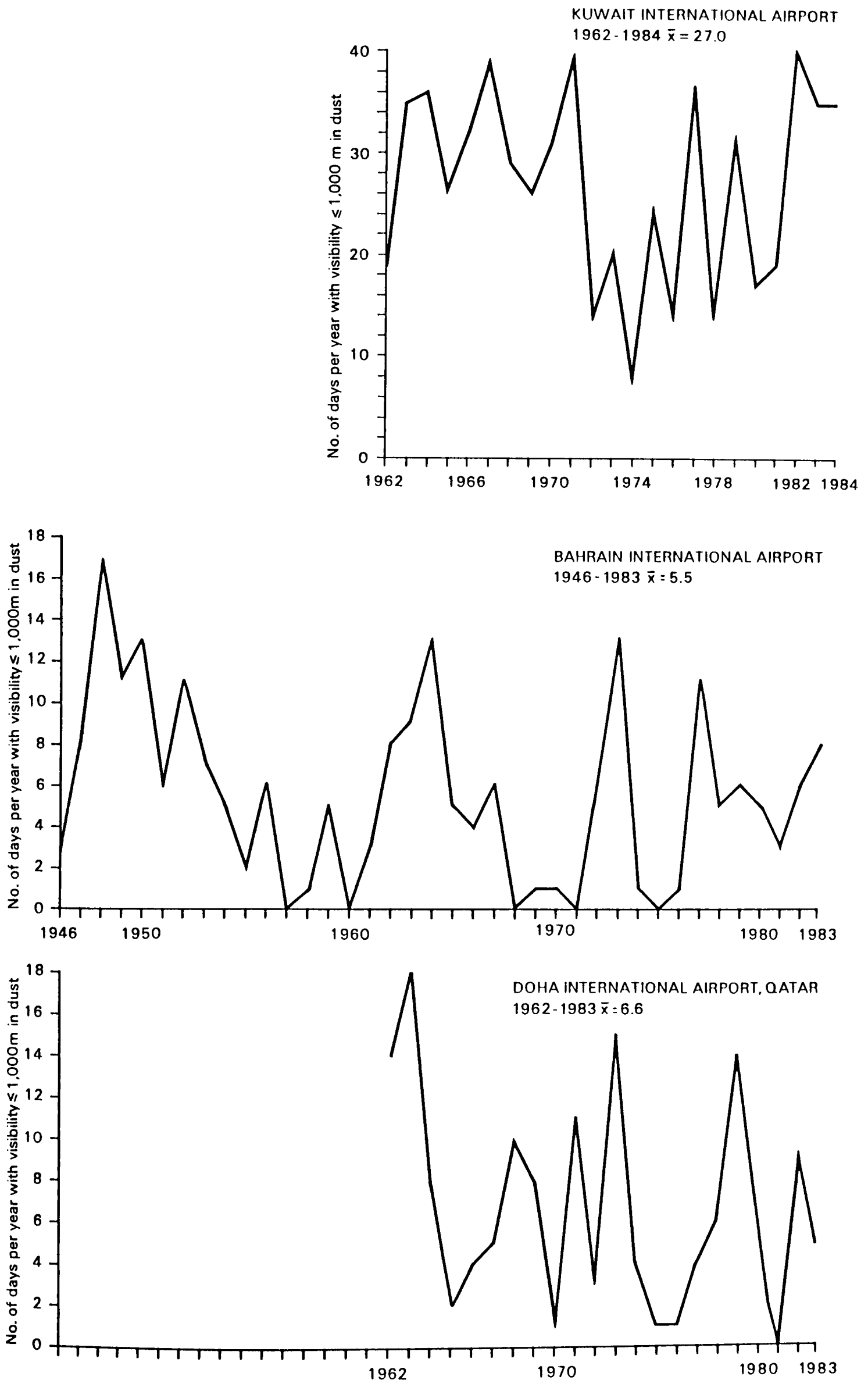


Figure 5.7 Four types of diurnal haze frequency variations in the Middle East



( $\bar{x}$  = Average number of days per annum with visibility  $\leq 1,000$  m in dust)

Figure 5.8 Annual frequencies of days with visibility less than 1000m due to dust at Kuwait, Bahrain & Doha

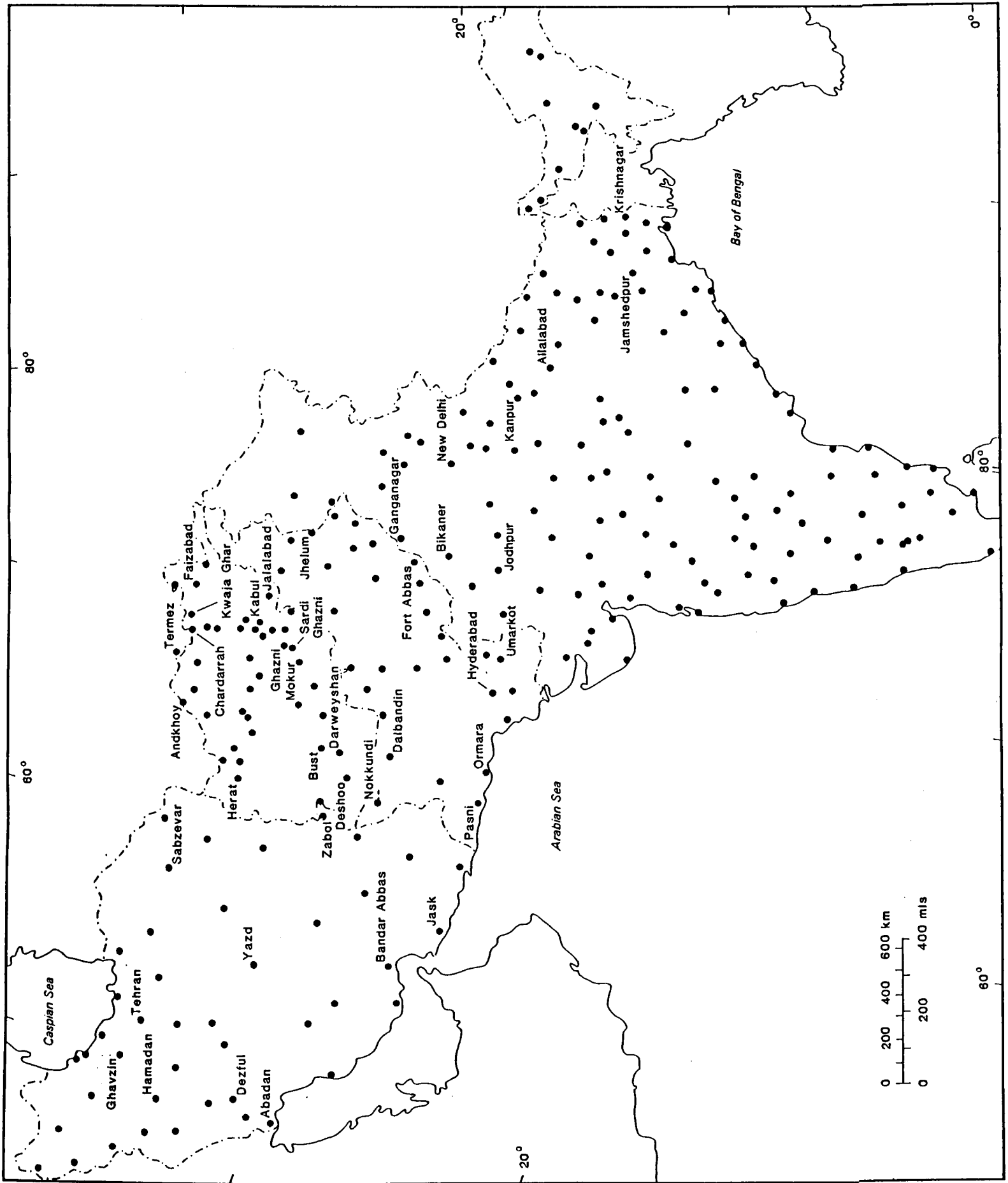


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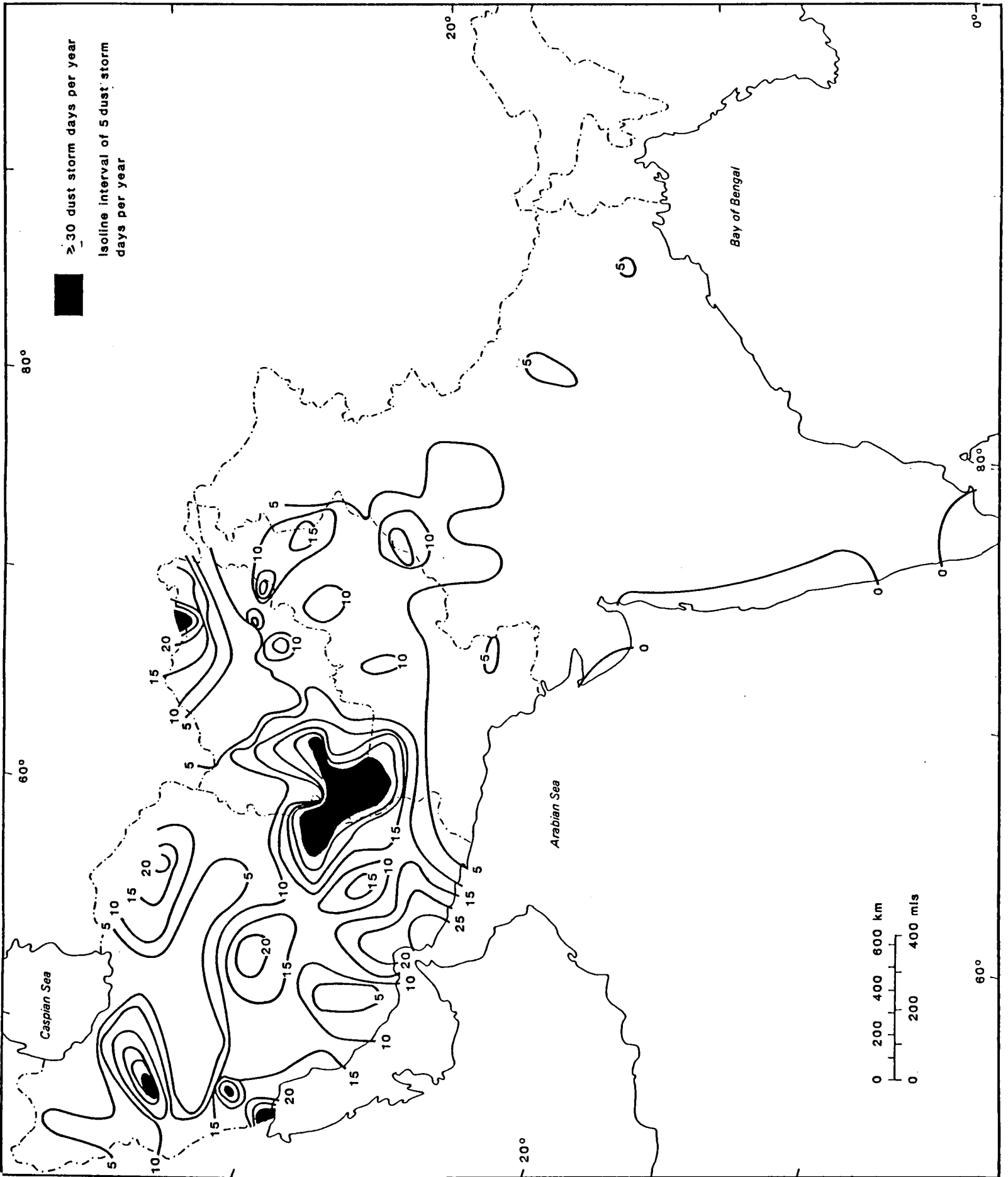
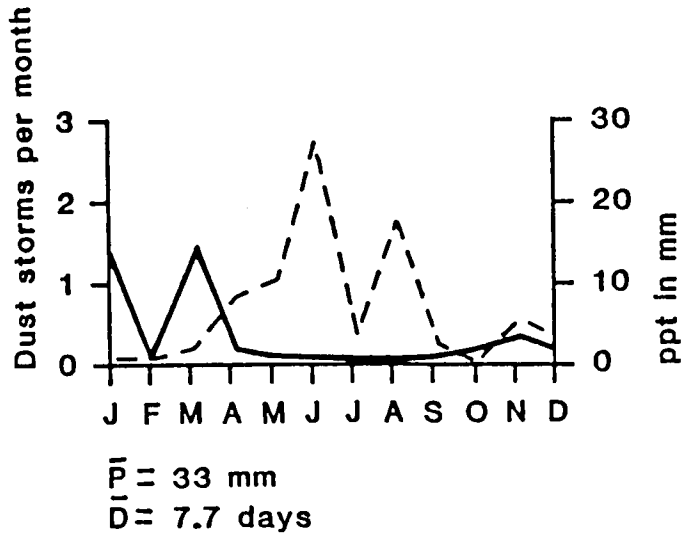
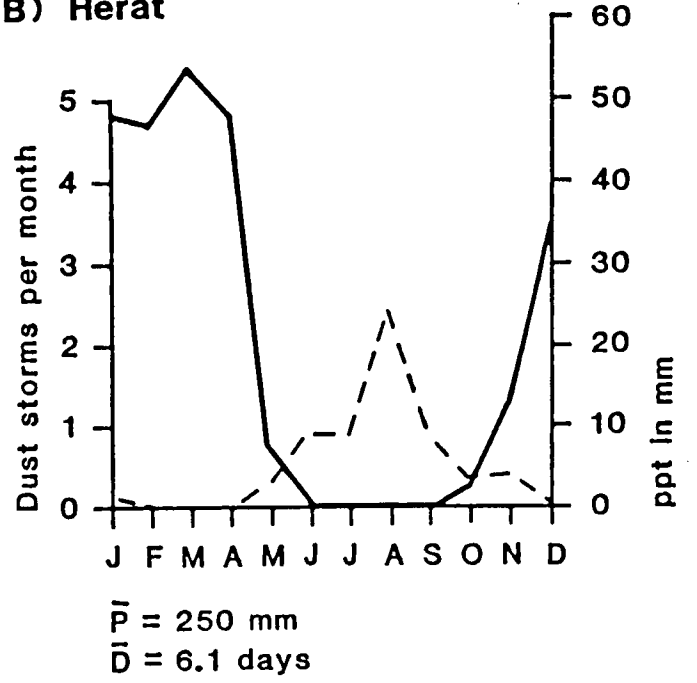


Figure 6.2 Distribution of dust storms in south-west Asia

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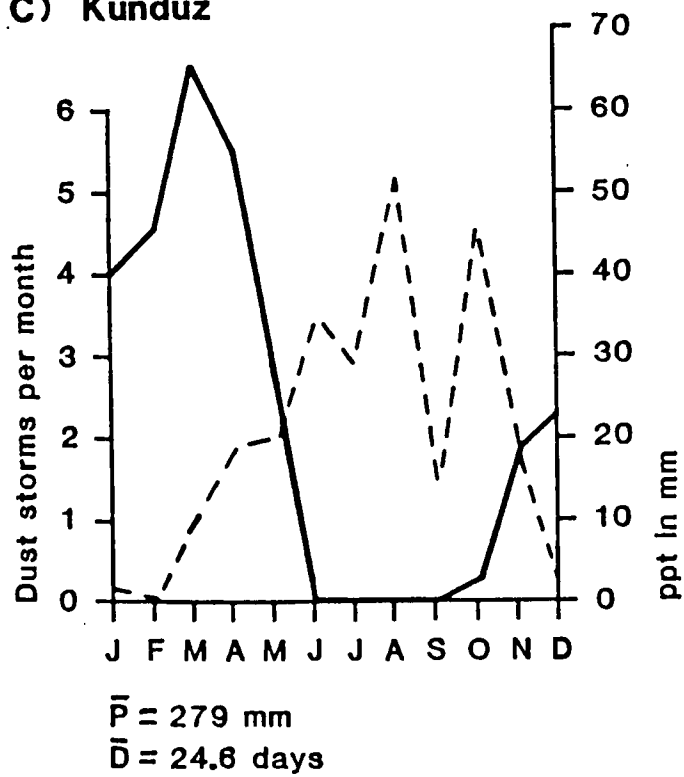


B) Herat



— ppt  
 - - - Dust storms

C) Kunduz



D) Kabul

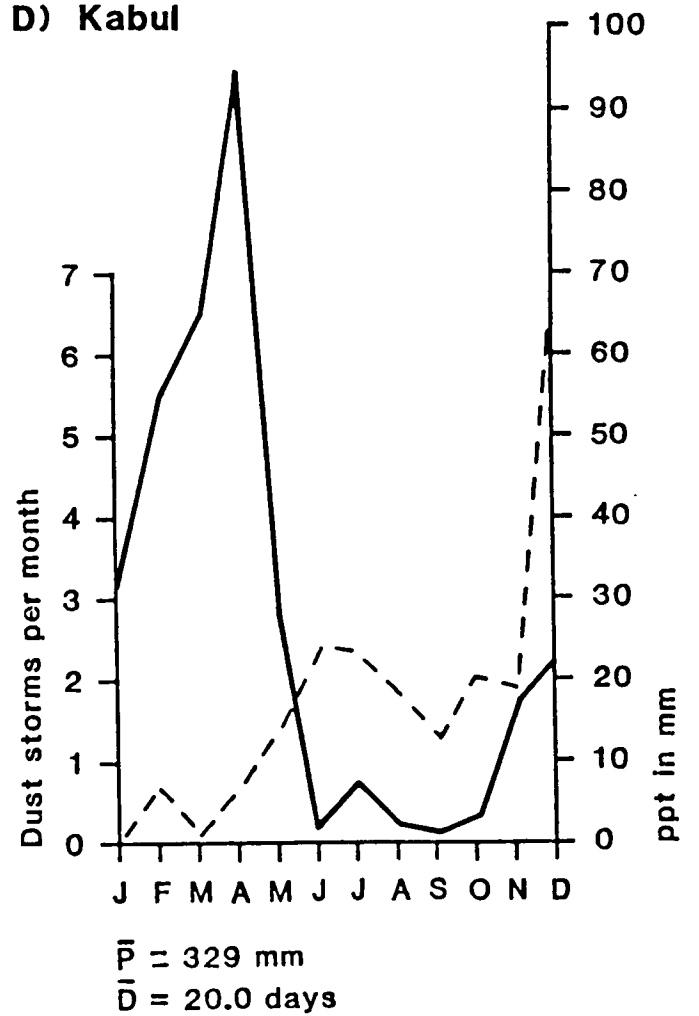


Figure 6.3 Monthly dust storm frequencies & rainfall totals for selected stations in Afghanistan, showing maximum dust-raising activity during the dry season

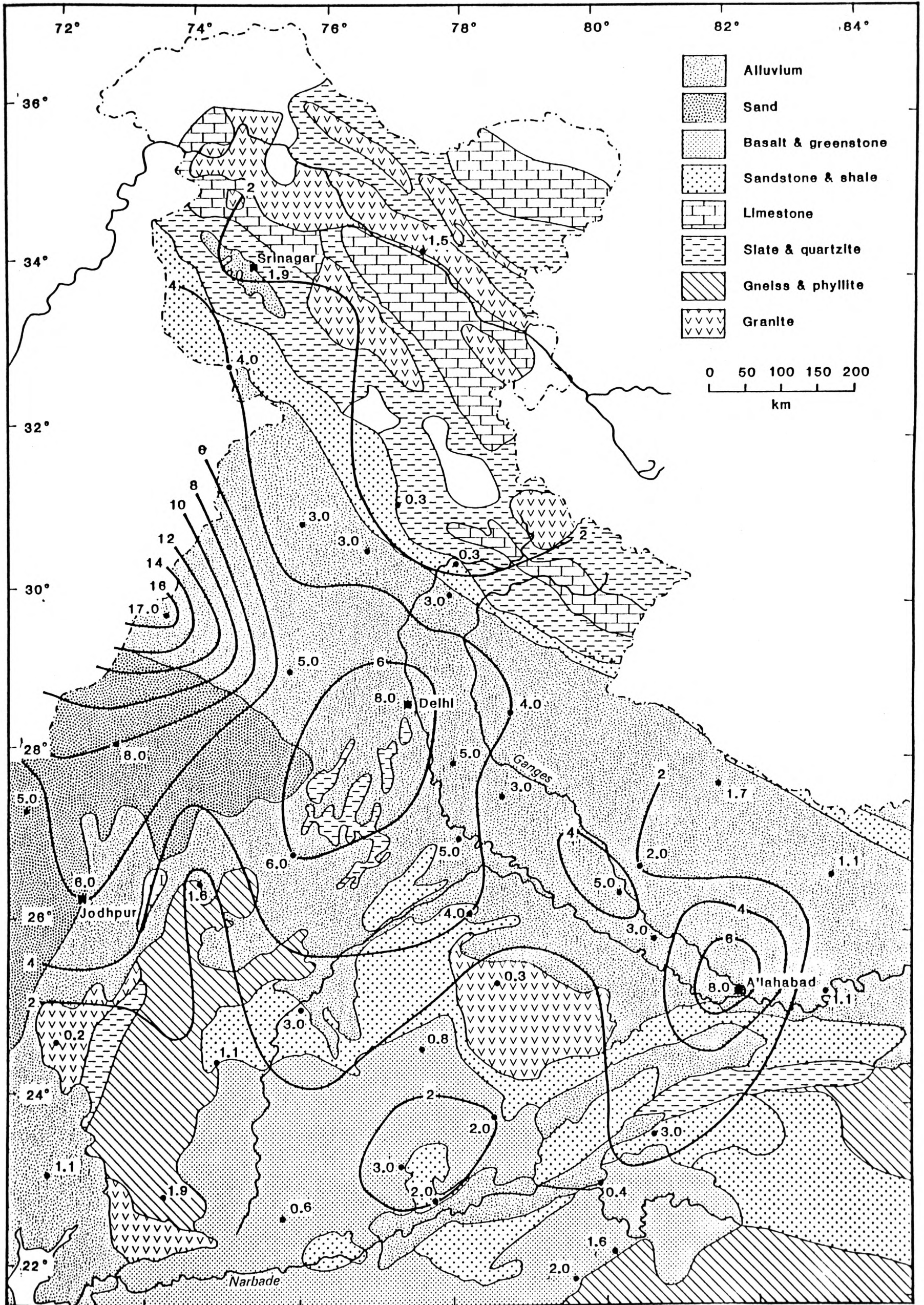


Figure 6.4 Distribution of dust storms in northwestern India, showing a concentration of dust-raising on fine grained sediments

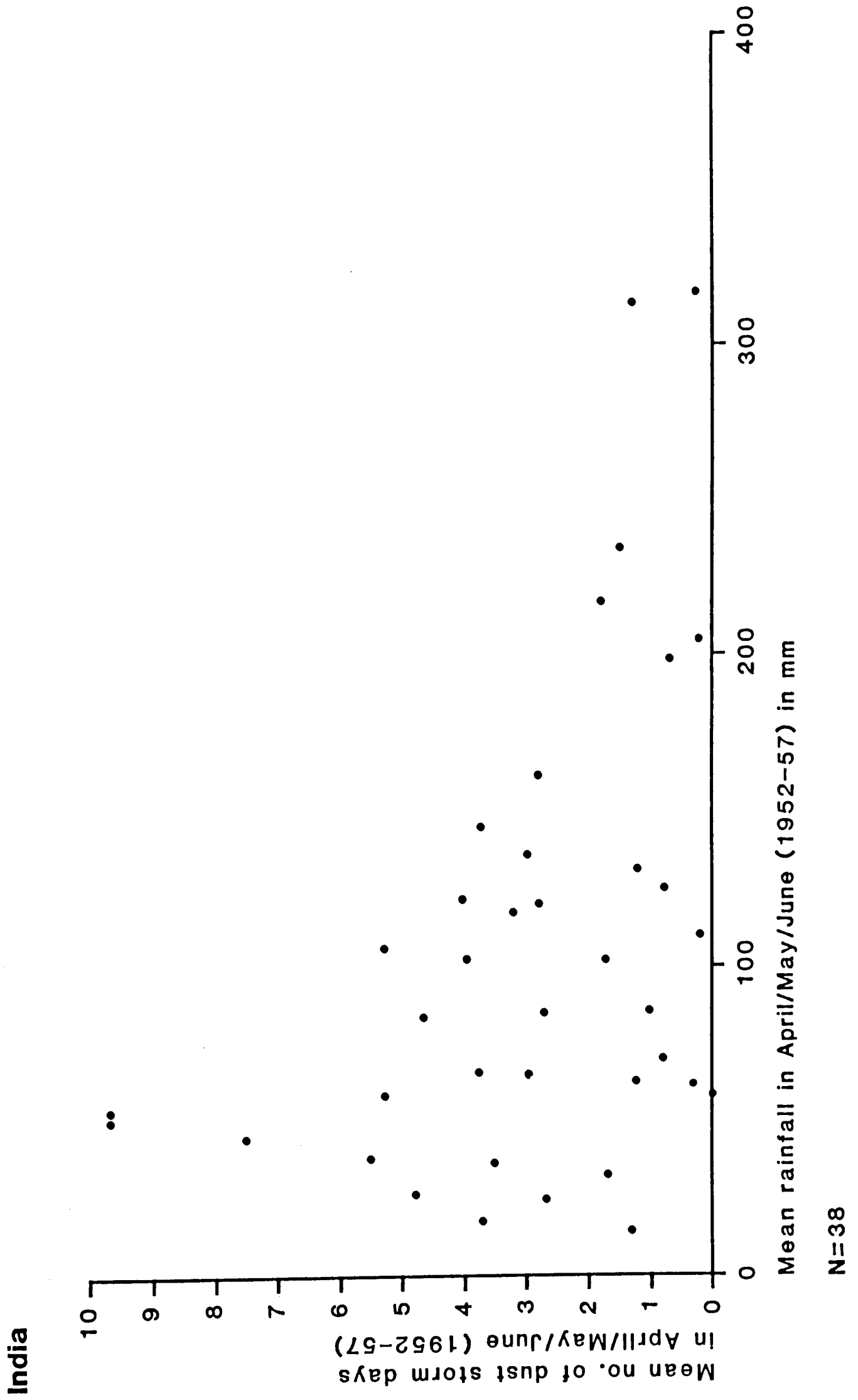

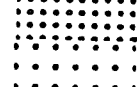




Figure 6.5 Frequency of dust storms in relation to mean rainfall for the period of maximum dust storm activity in northern India (April, May & June)


	—	Visibility at 1 km
	—	Visibility at 2 km
	—	Visibility at 3 km
	—	Visibility at 4 km


-988-      Isobar (mb)

Wind arrow points in direction  
the wind is blowing

      1 - 2 knots

      3-7 knots

      8-12 knots

      13-17 knots etc.

(Full fleche 10 knots)

Figure 6.6 Explanation of symbols used in figures 6.8 to 6.11  
(see also fig 2.5)

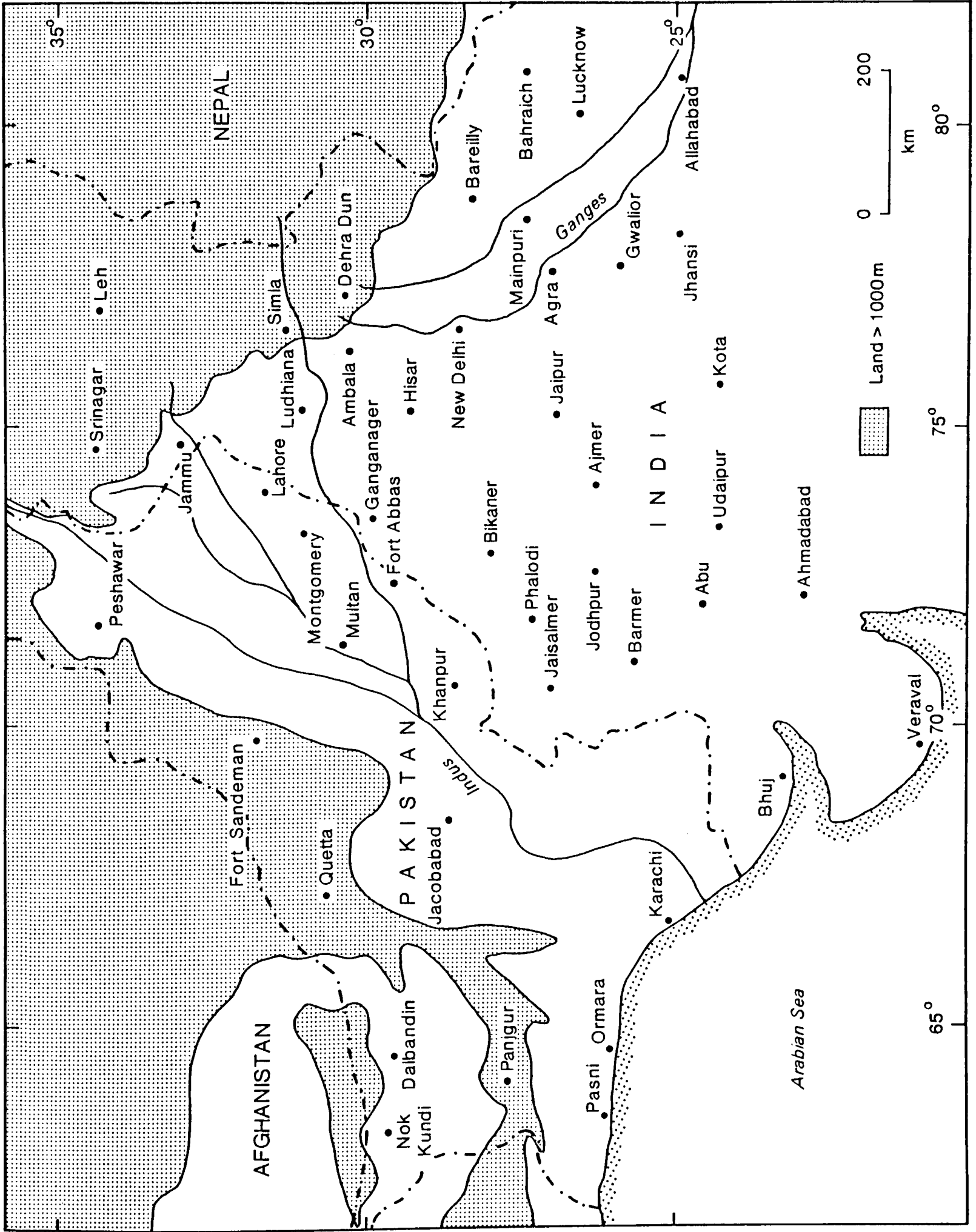


Figure 6.7 Geographical distribution of stations used in figures 6.8 to 6.11

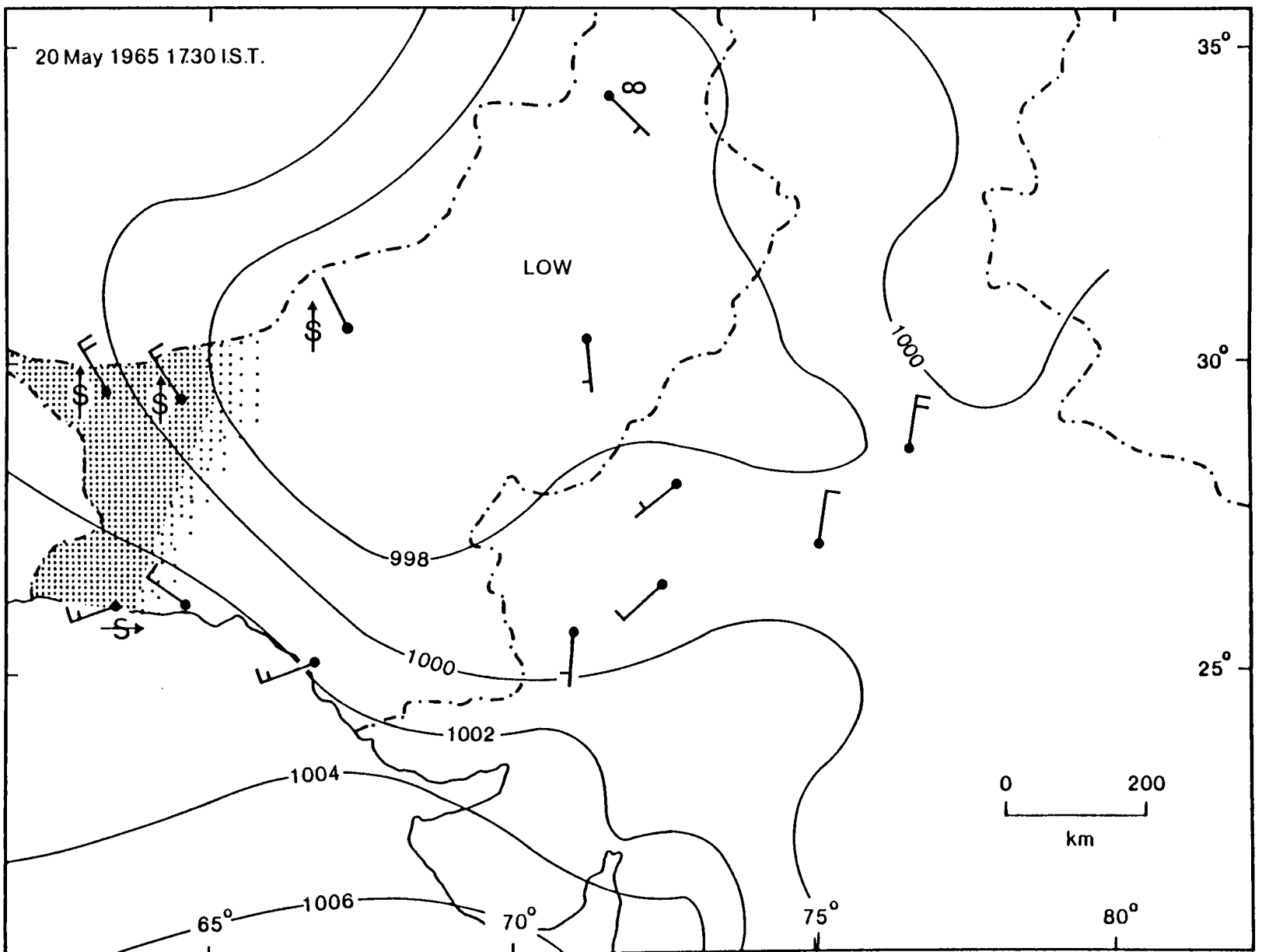
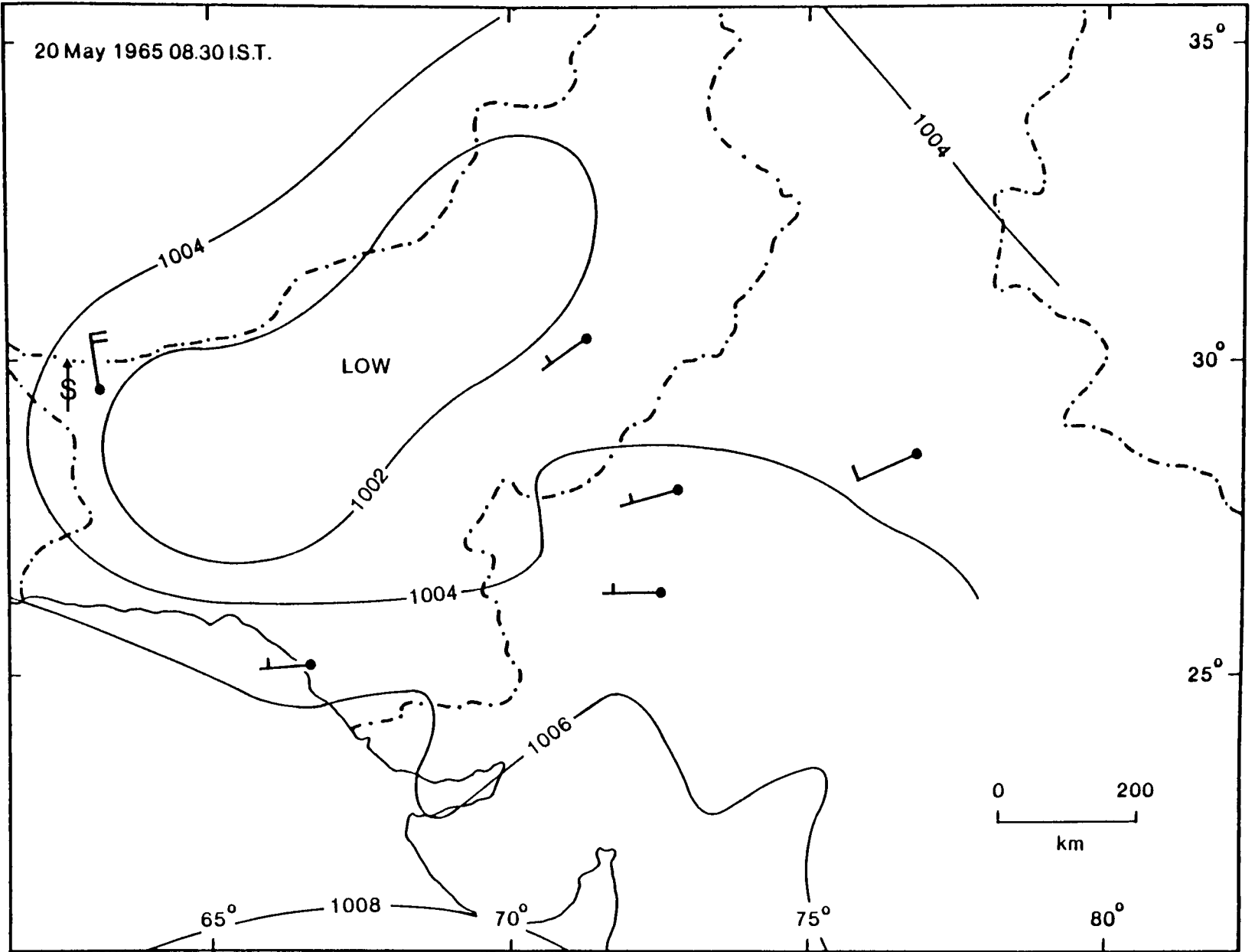


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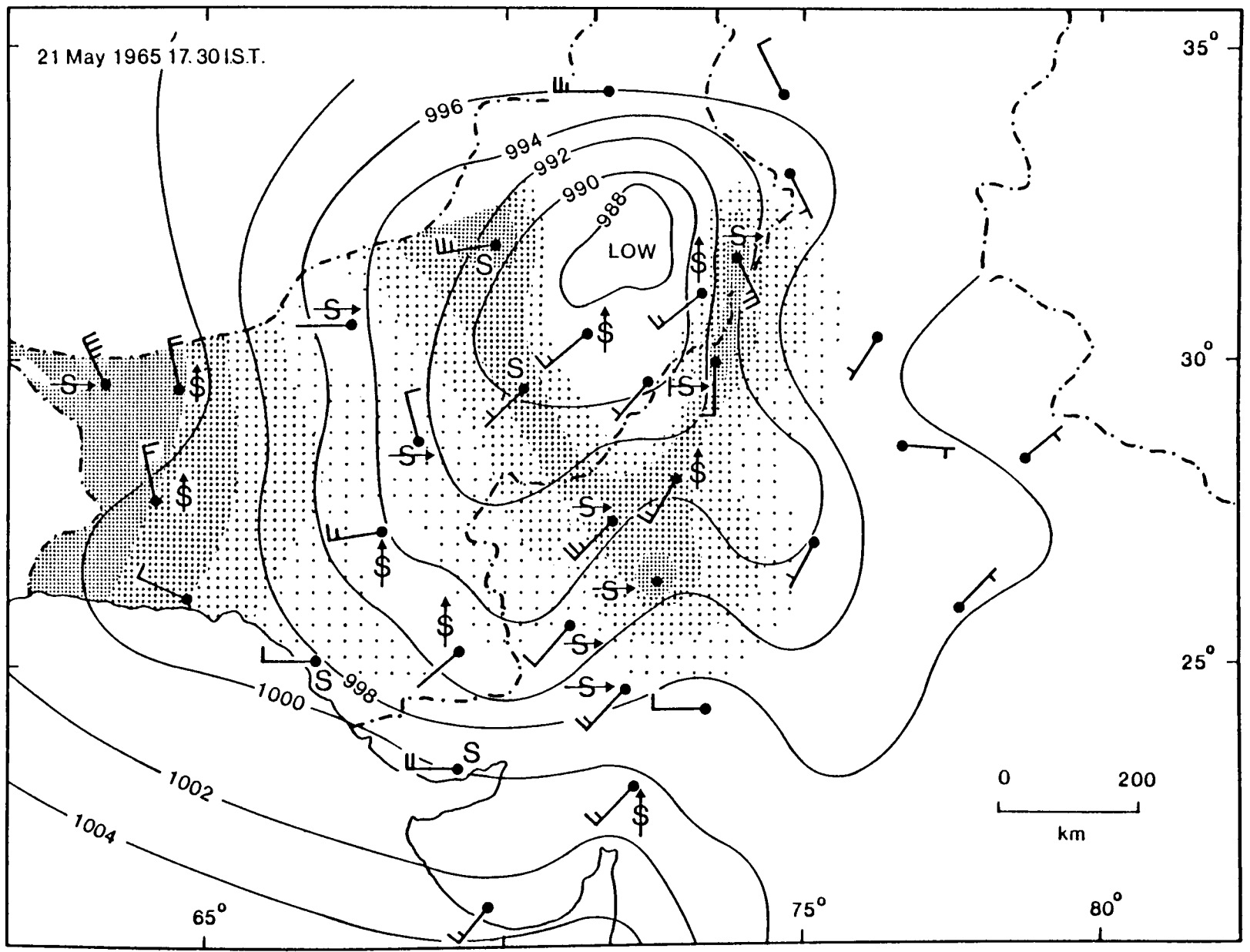
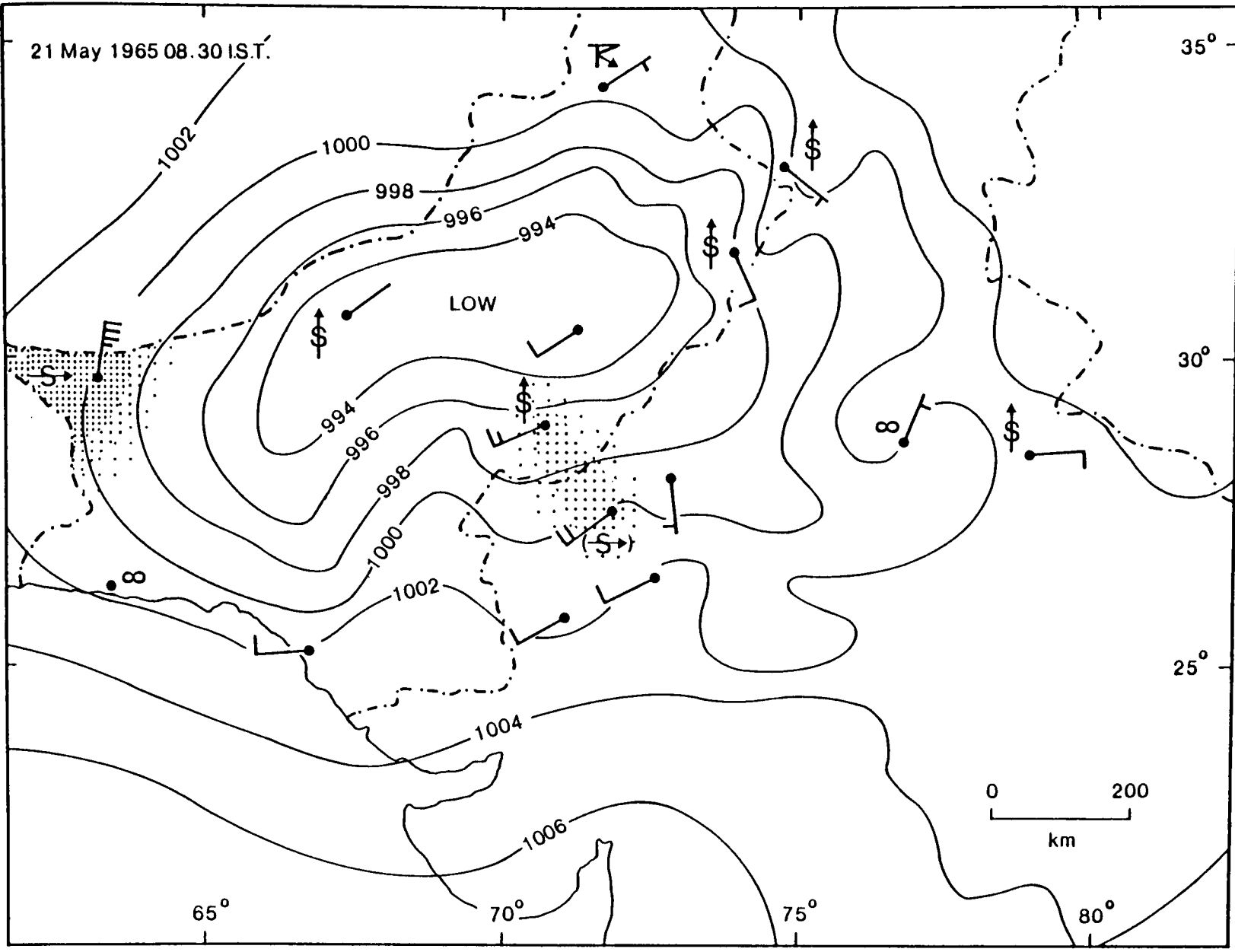


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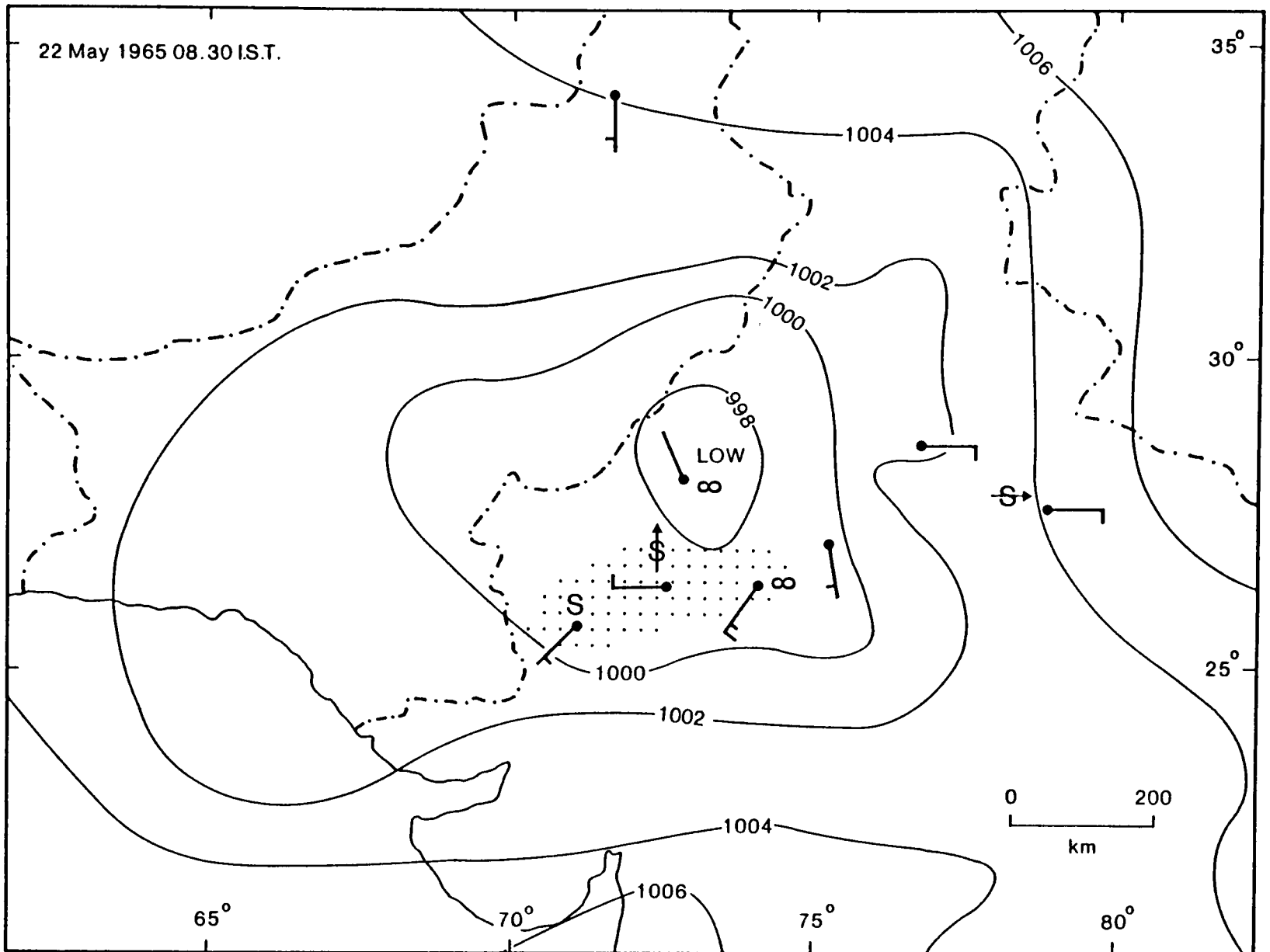


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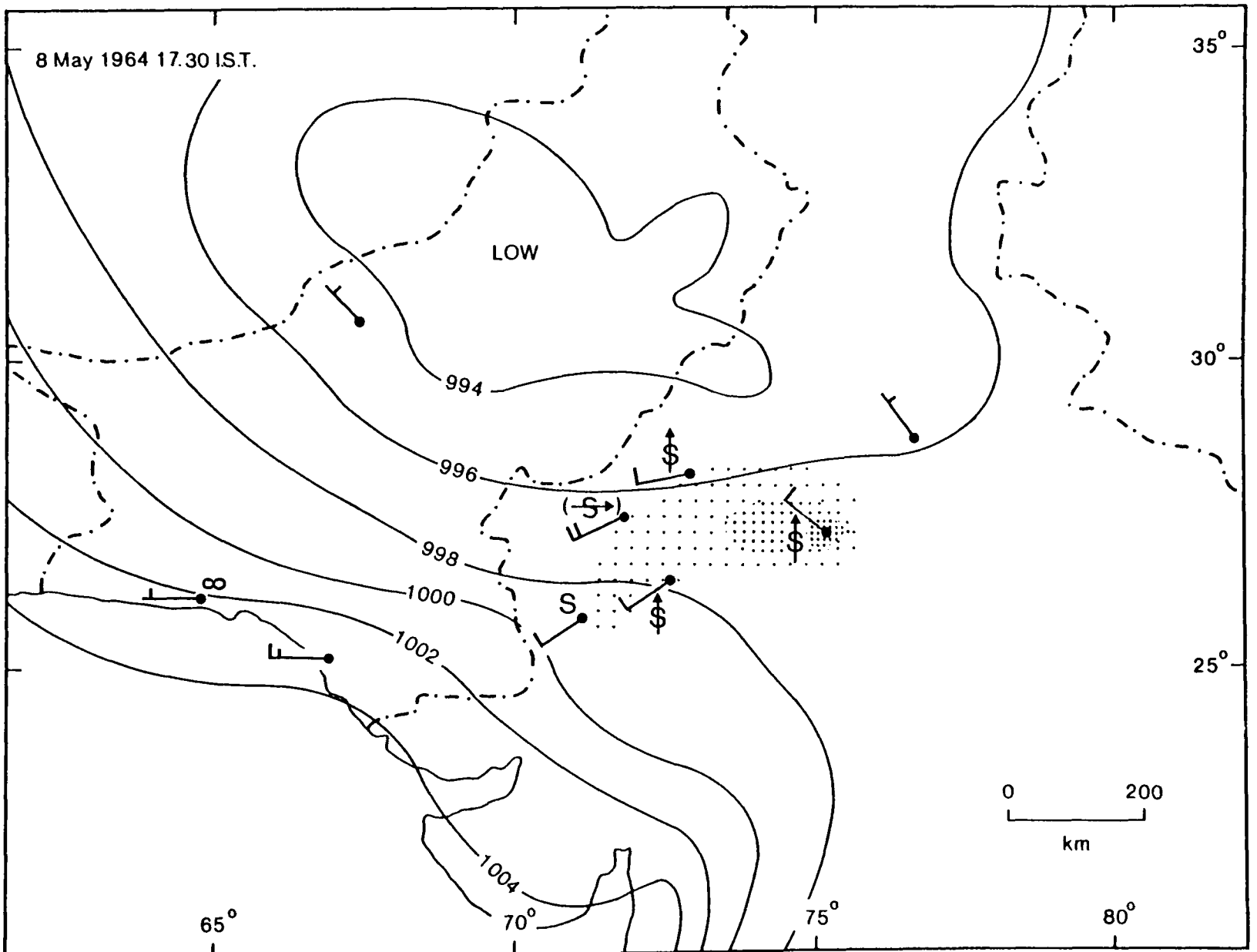
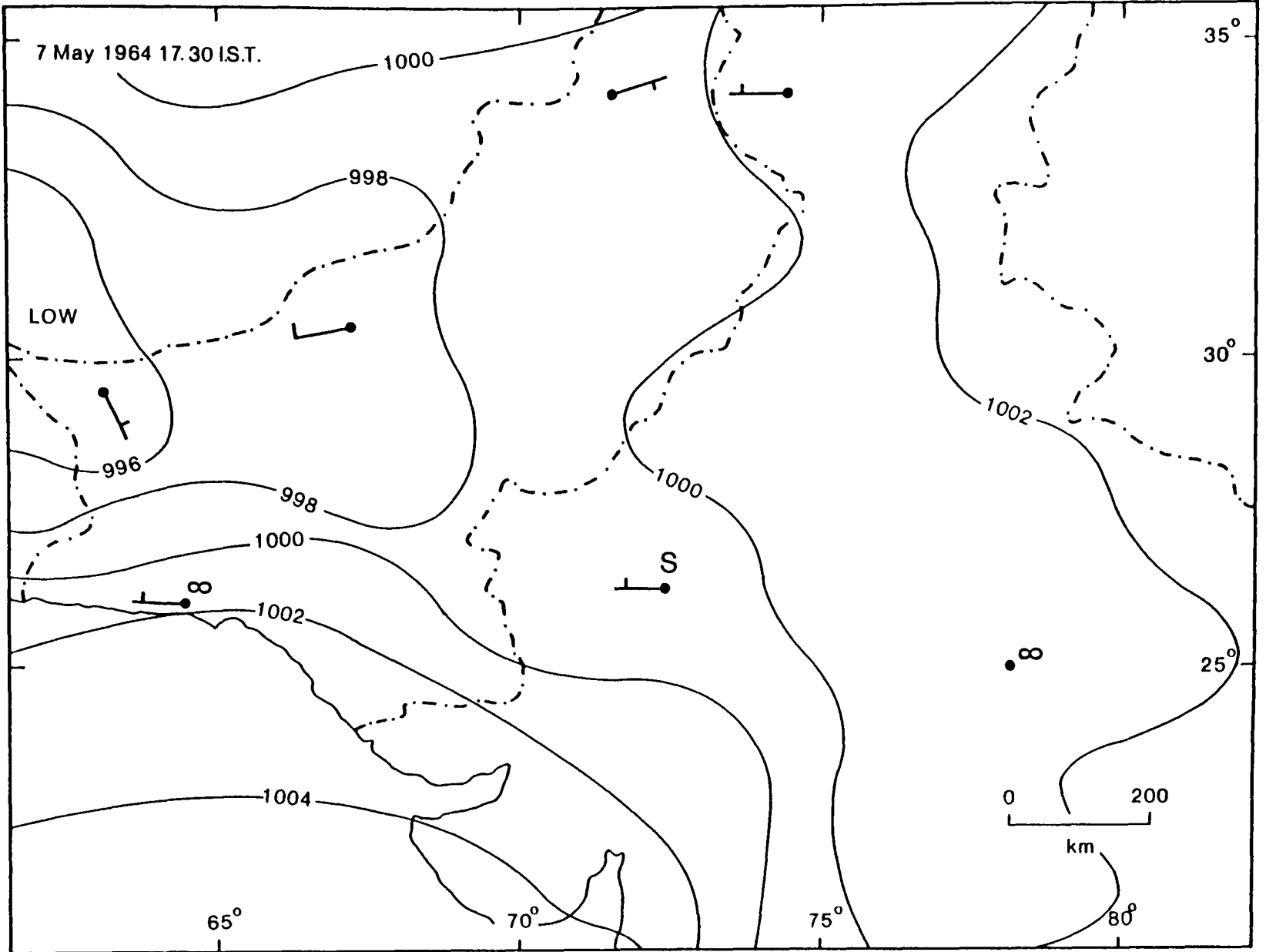


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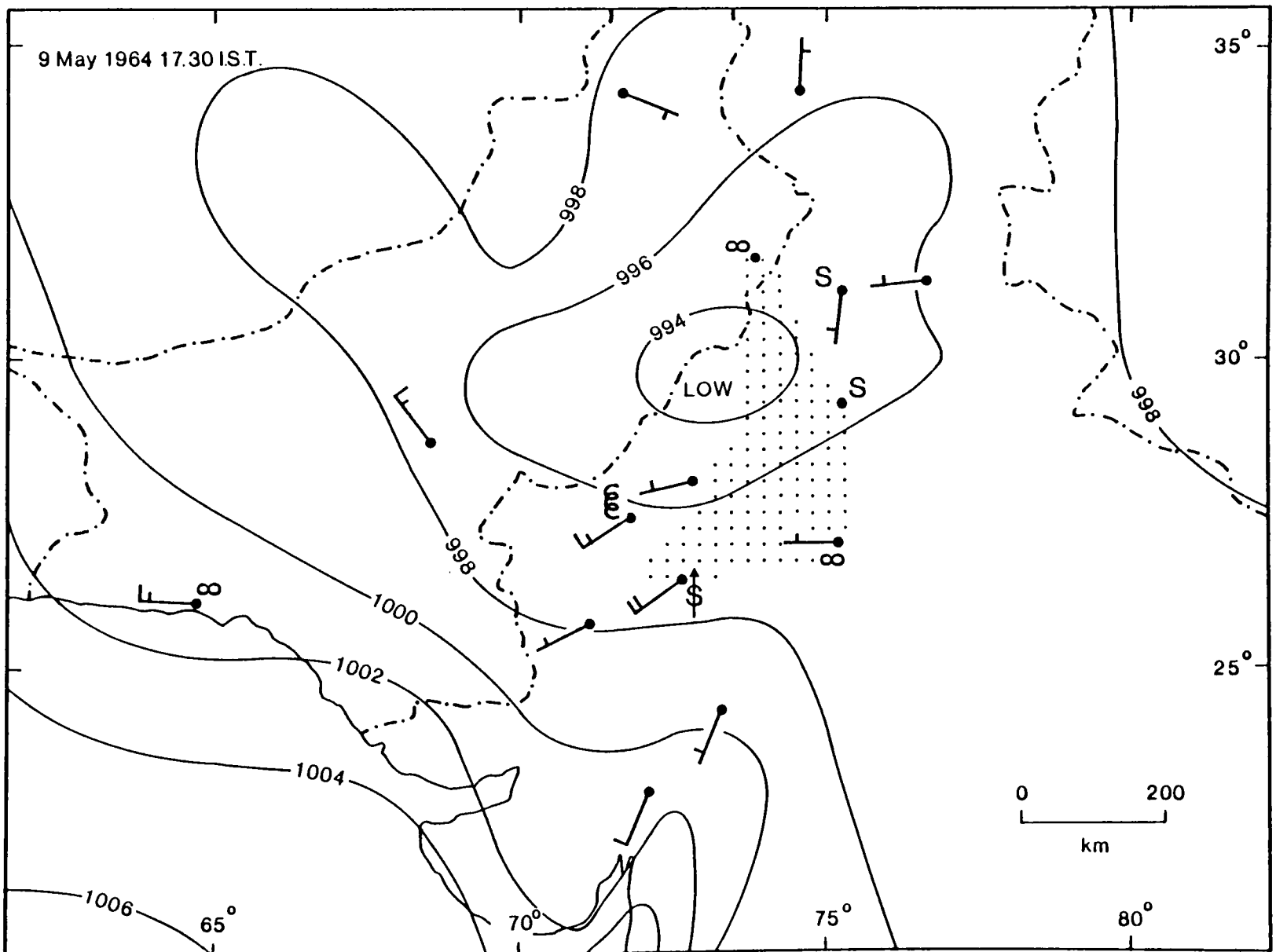
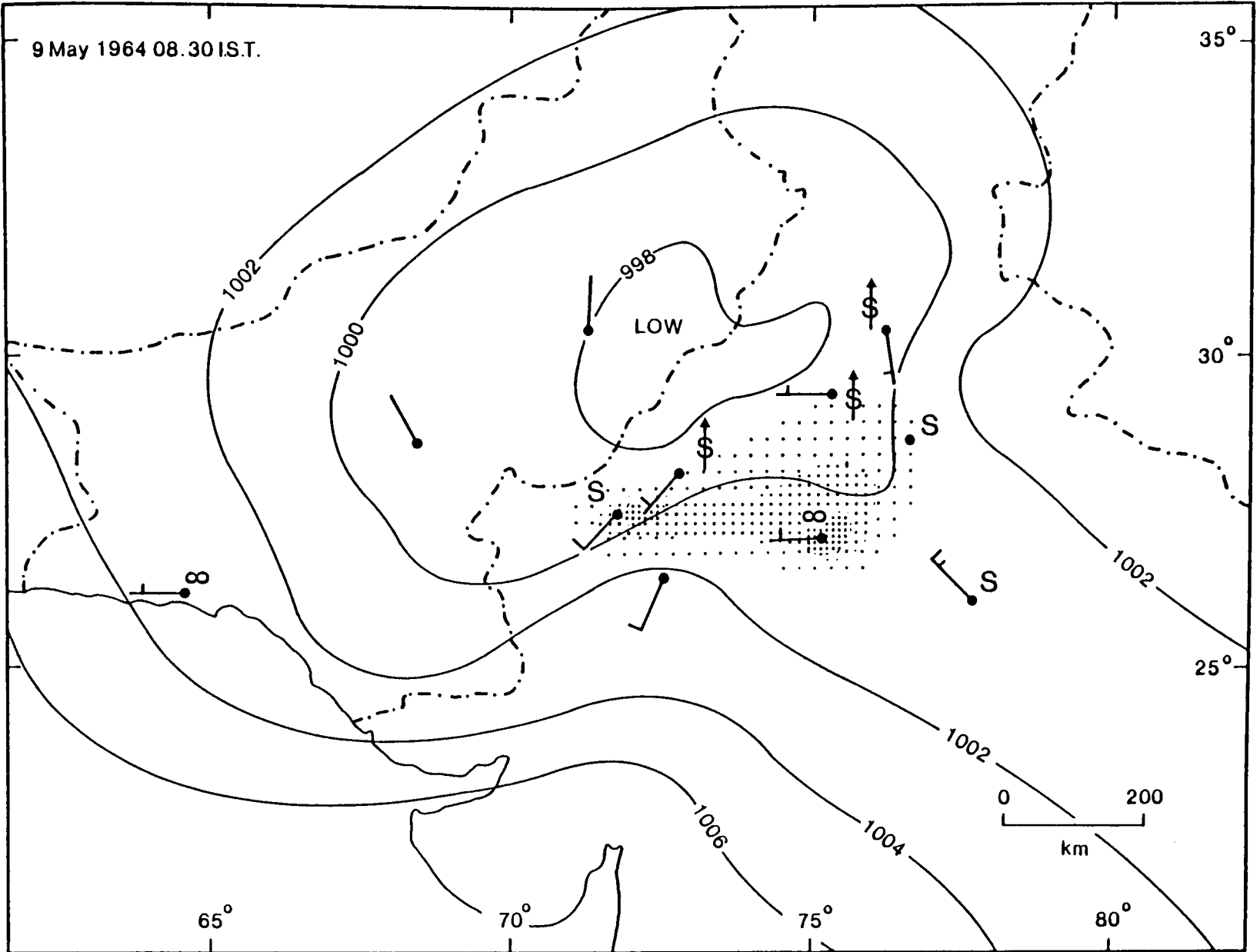


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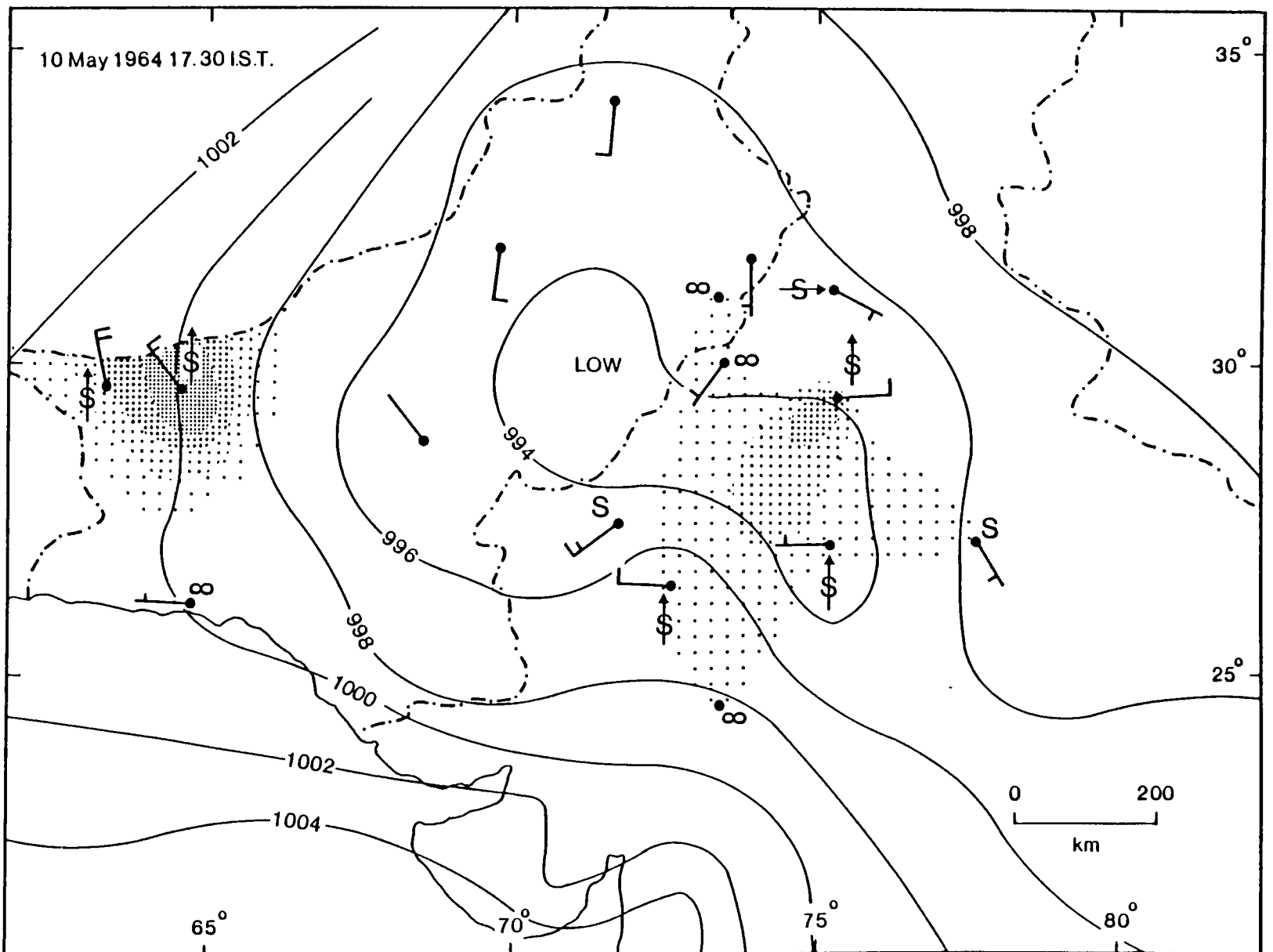
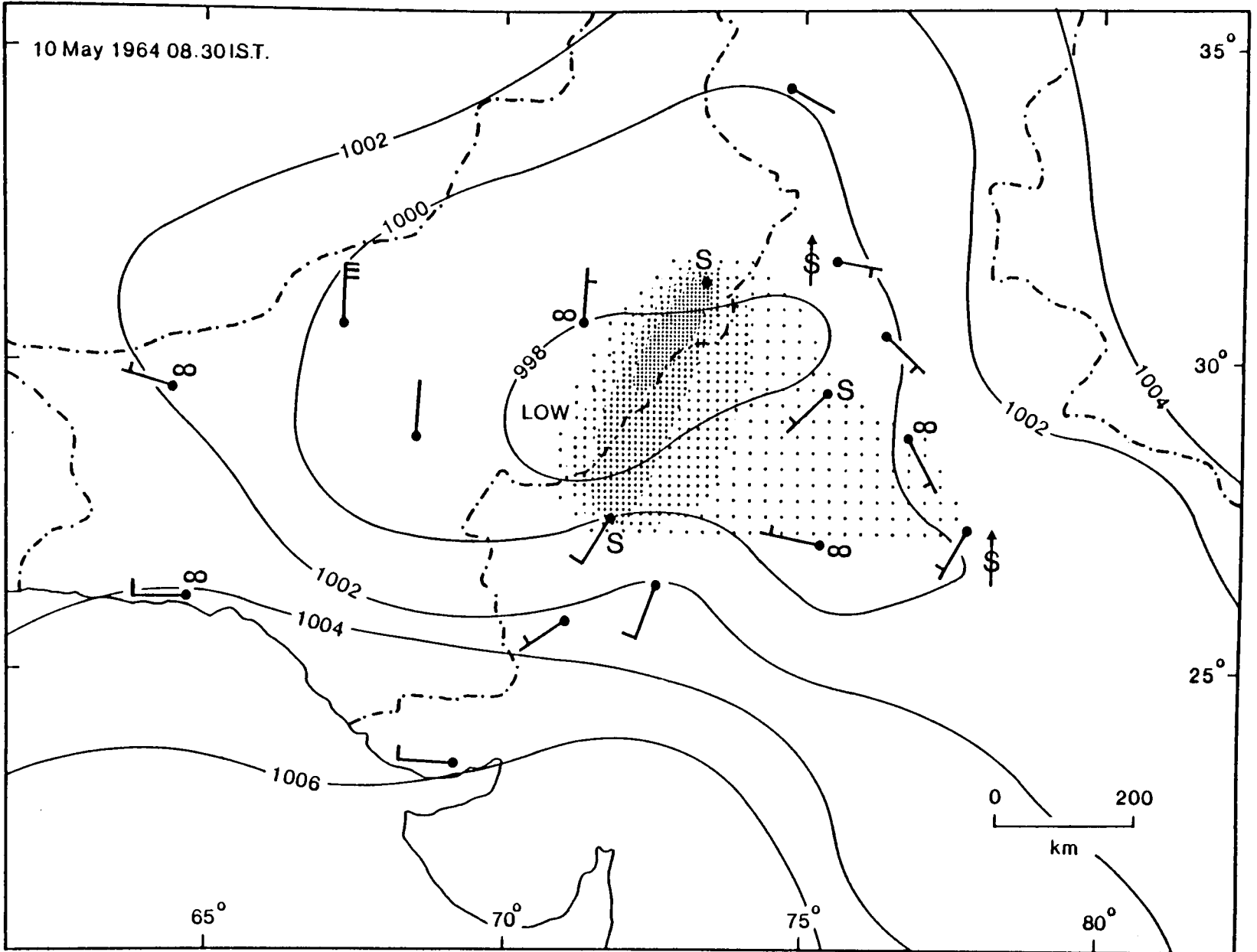


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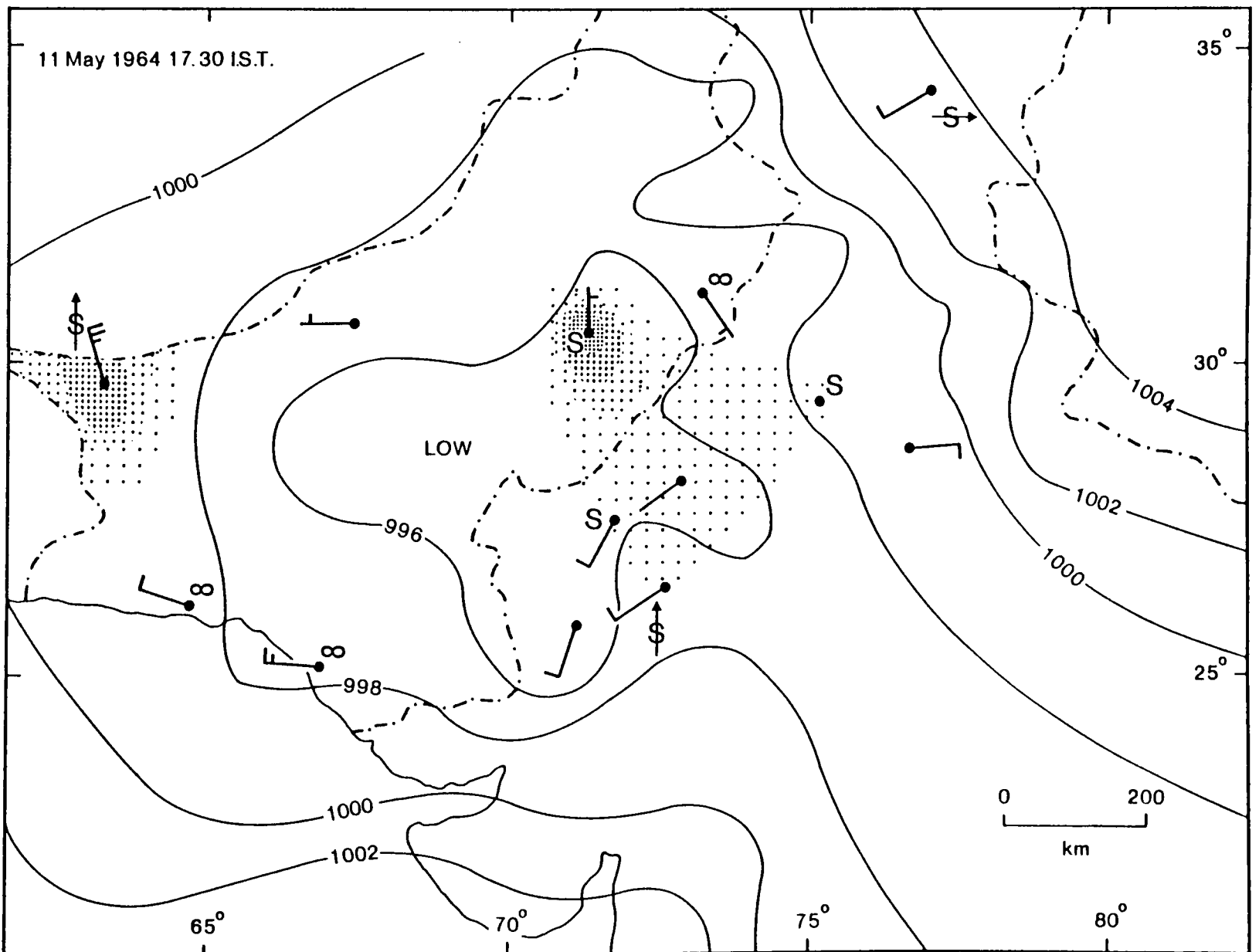
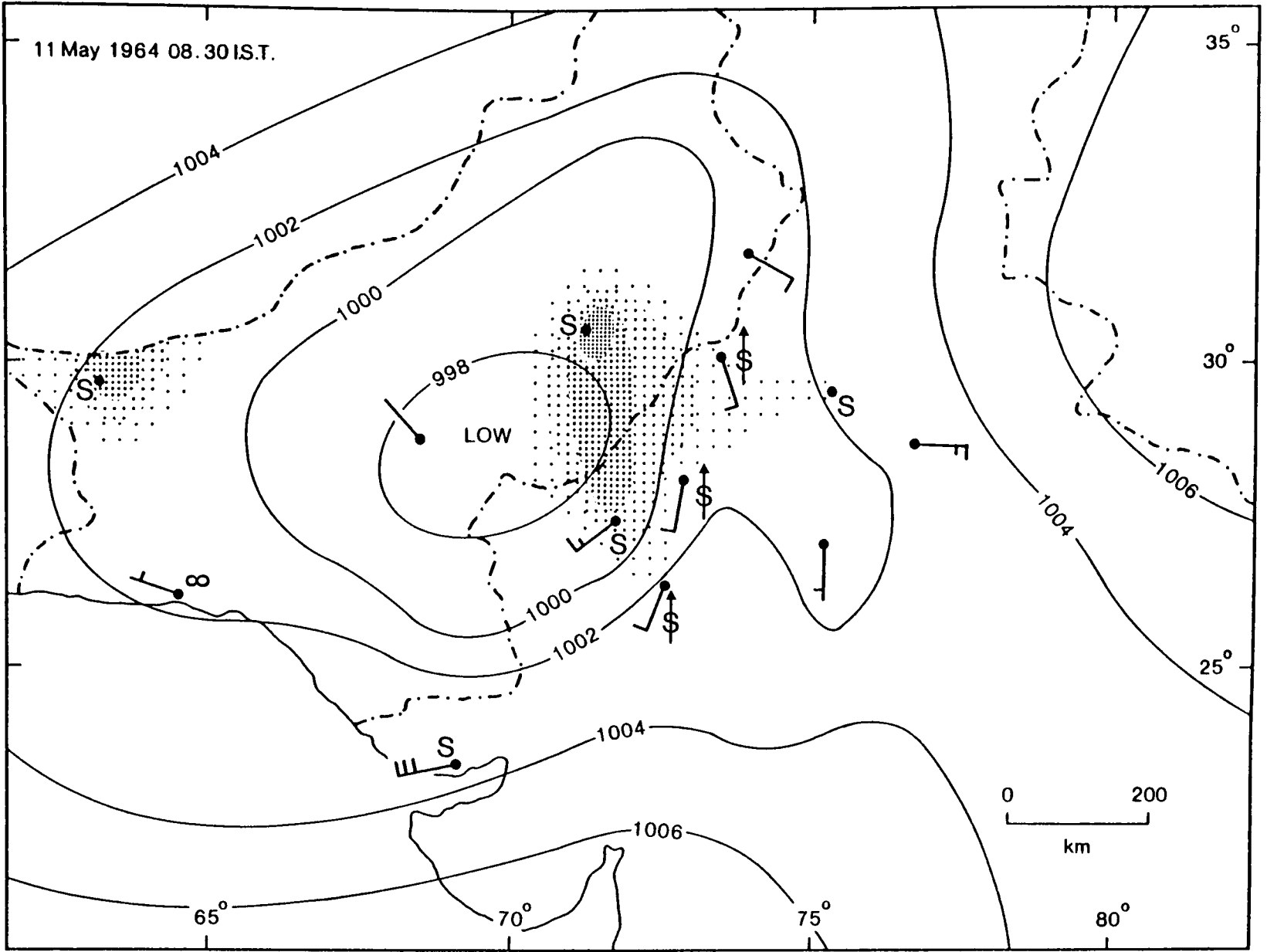


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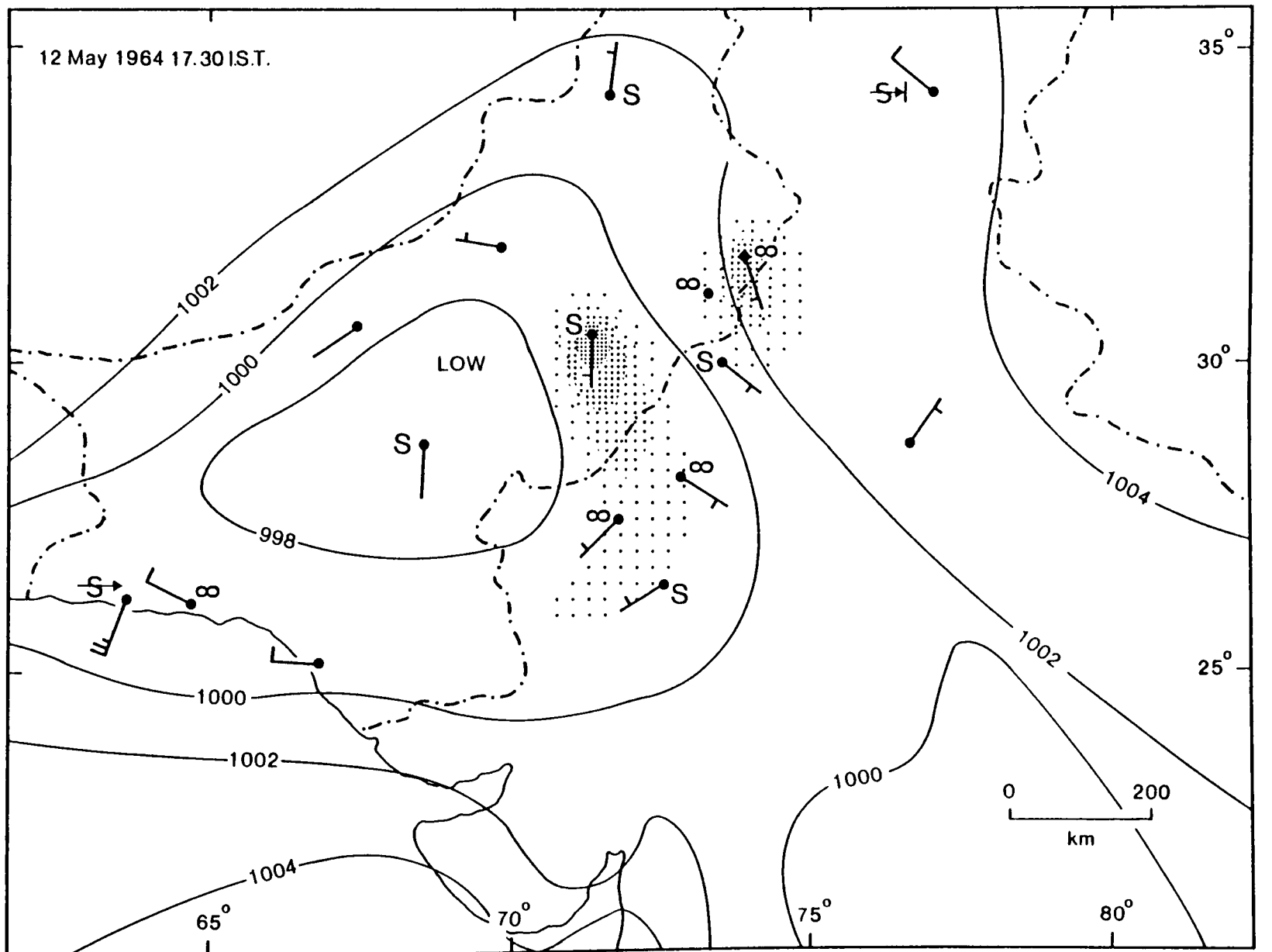
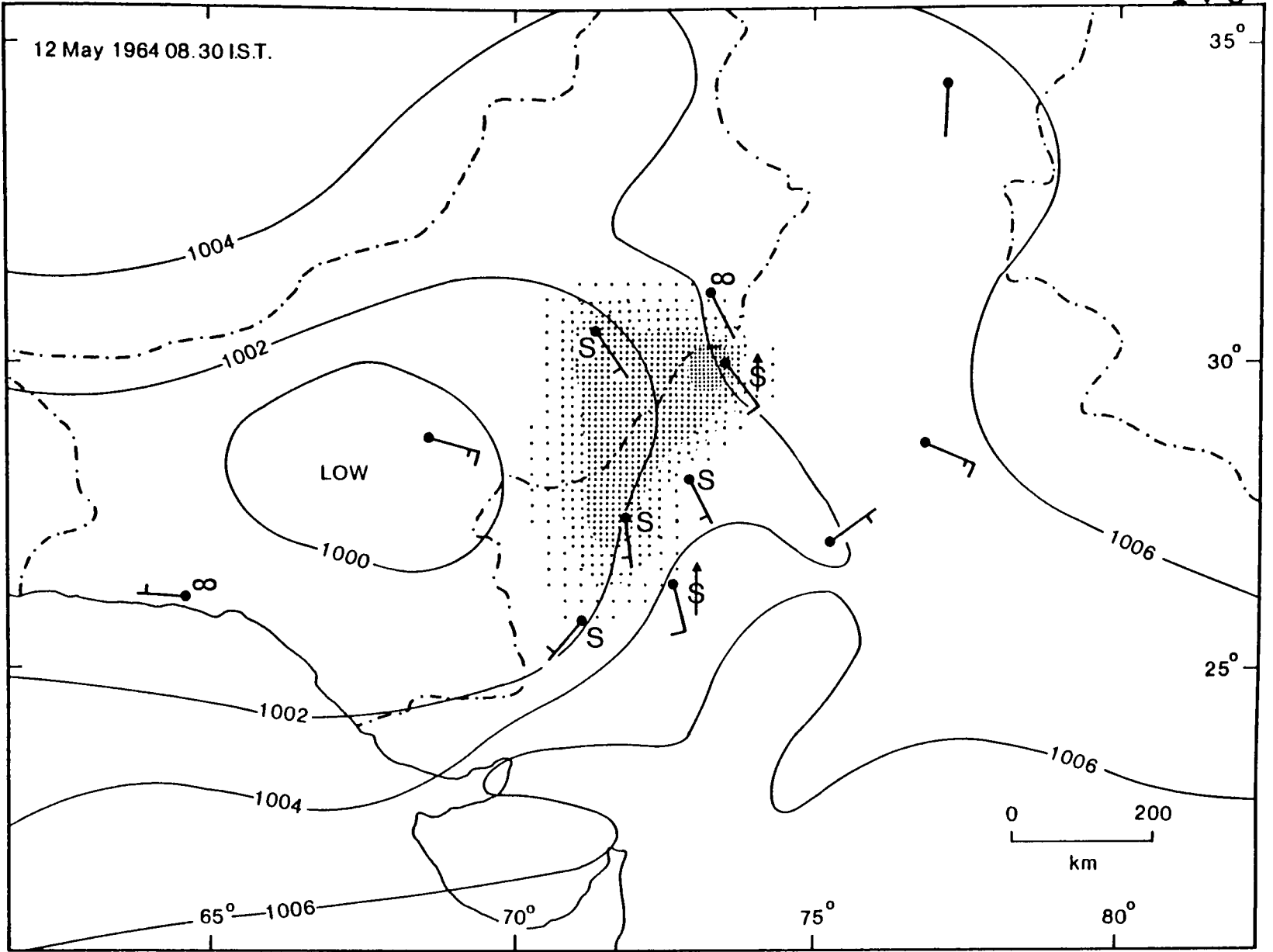


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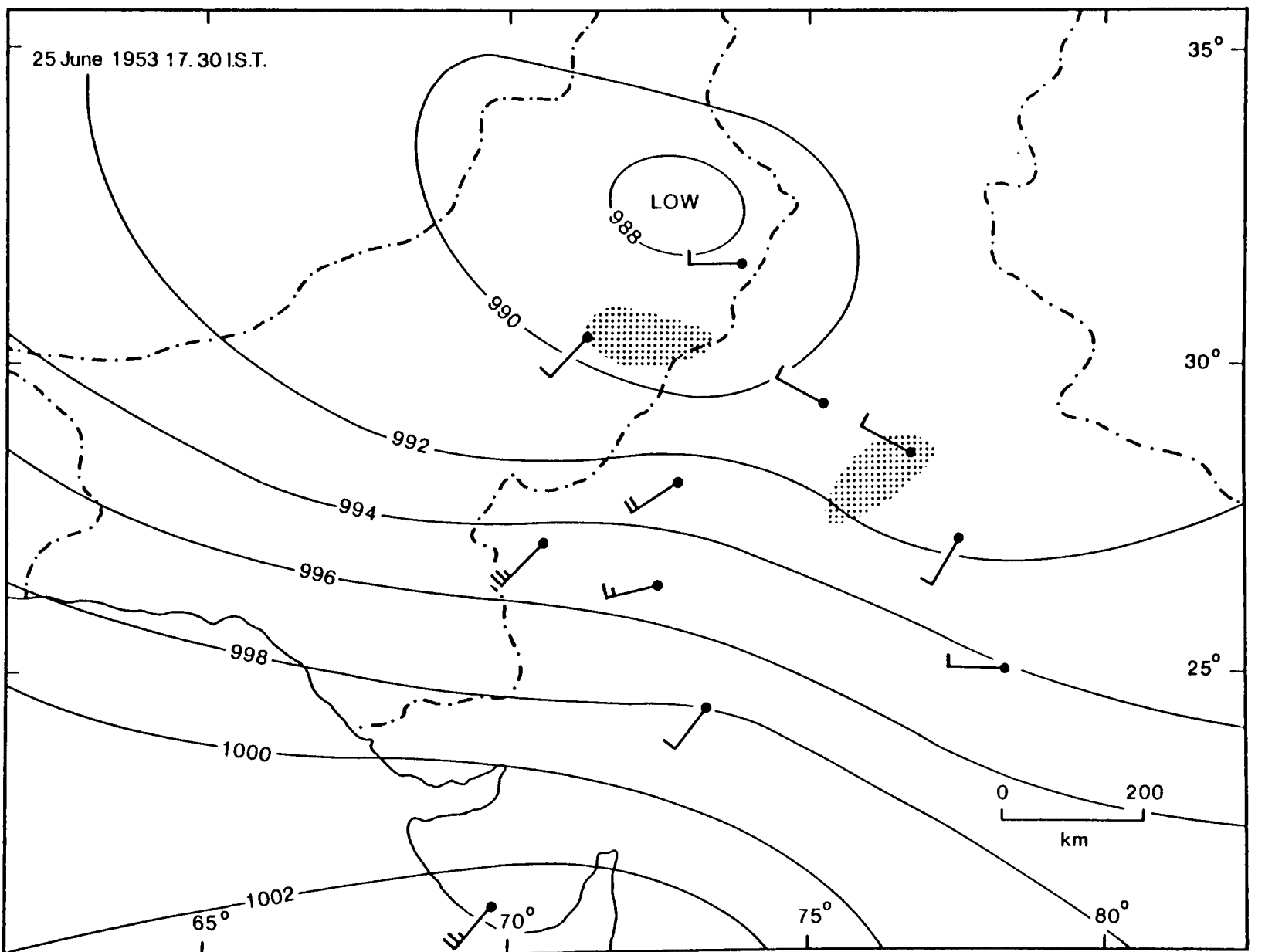
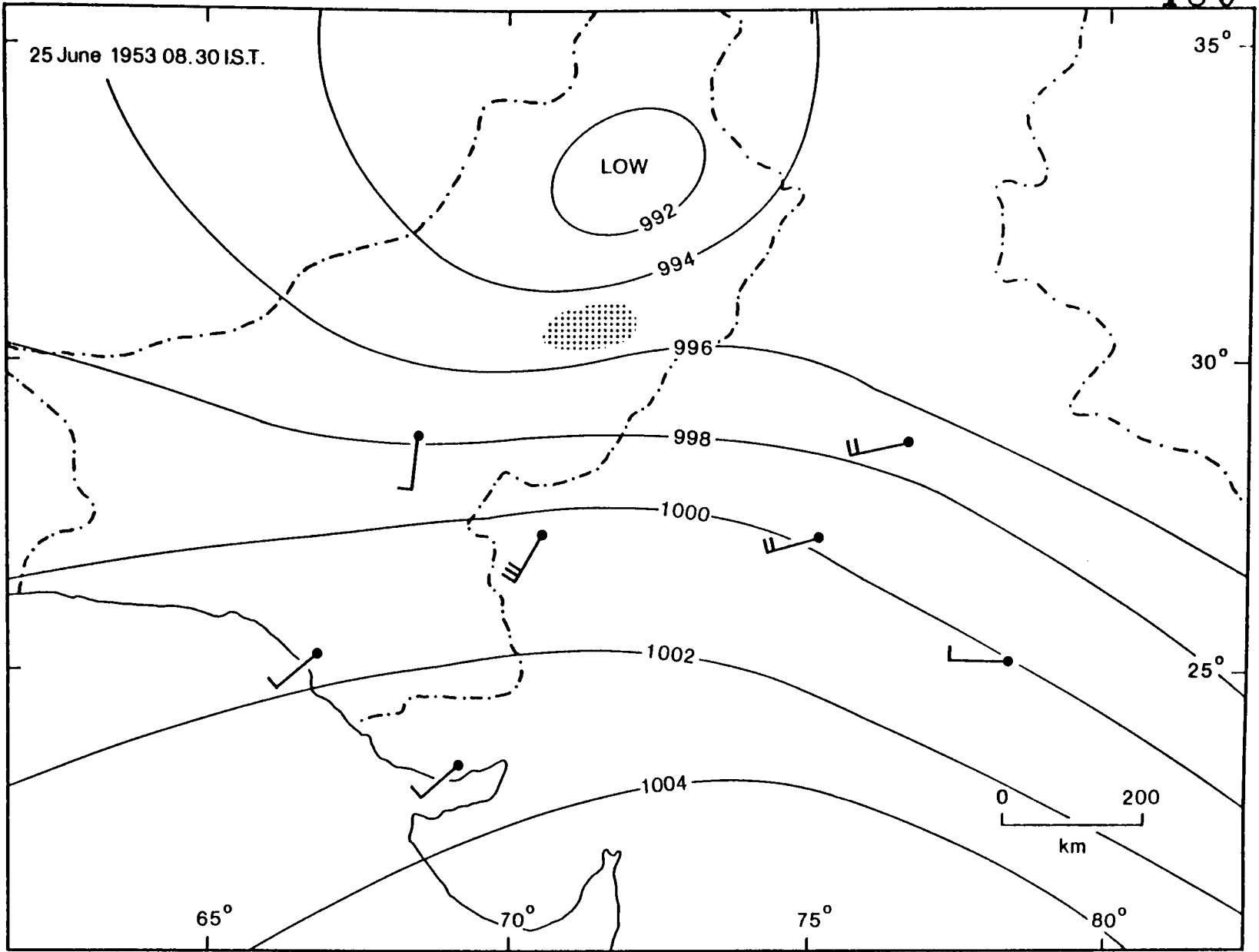


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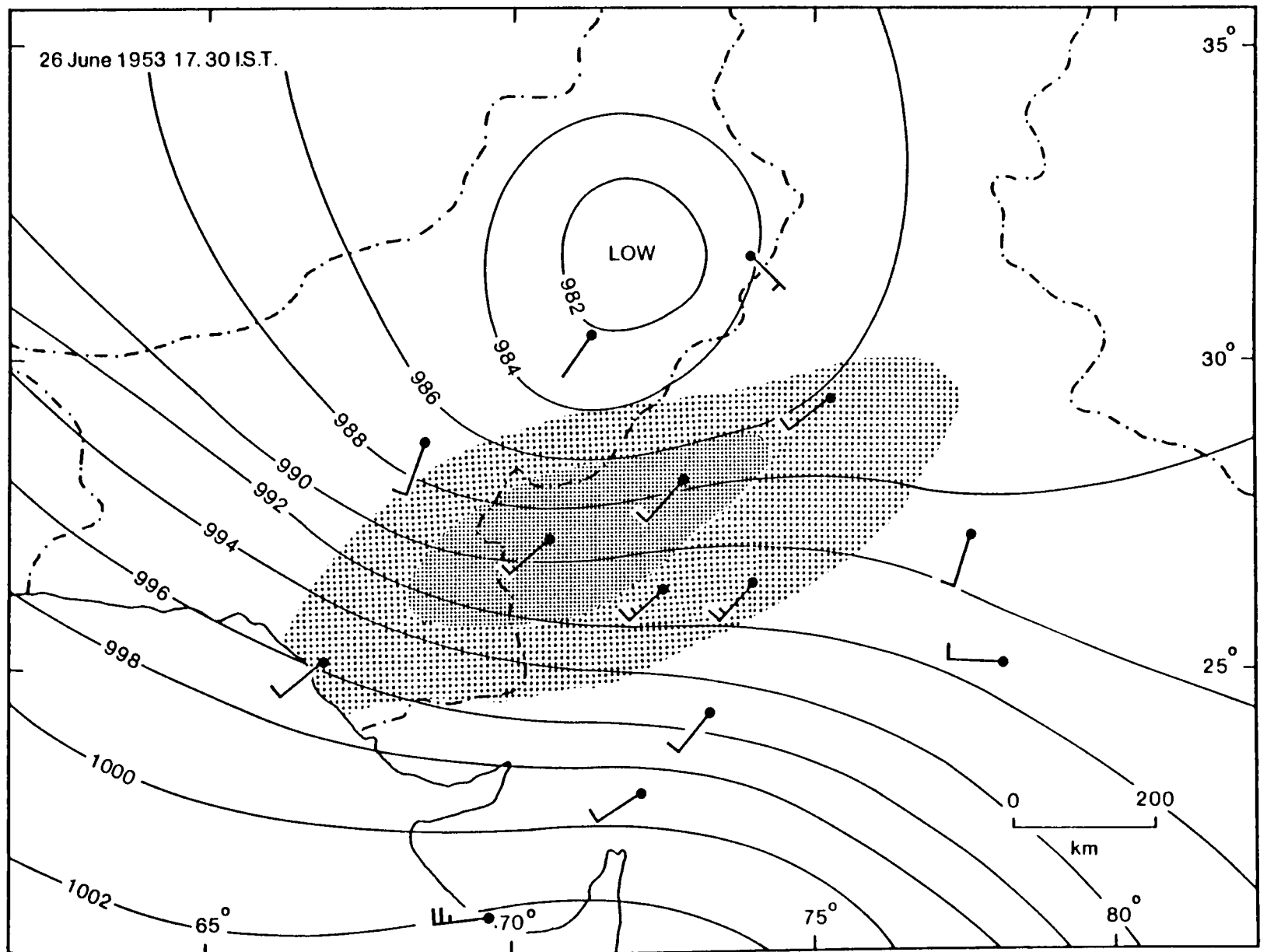
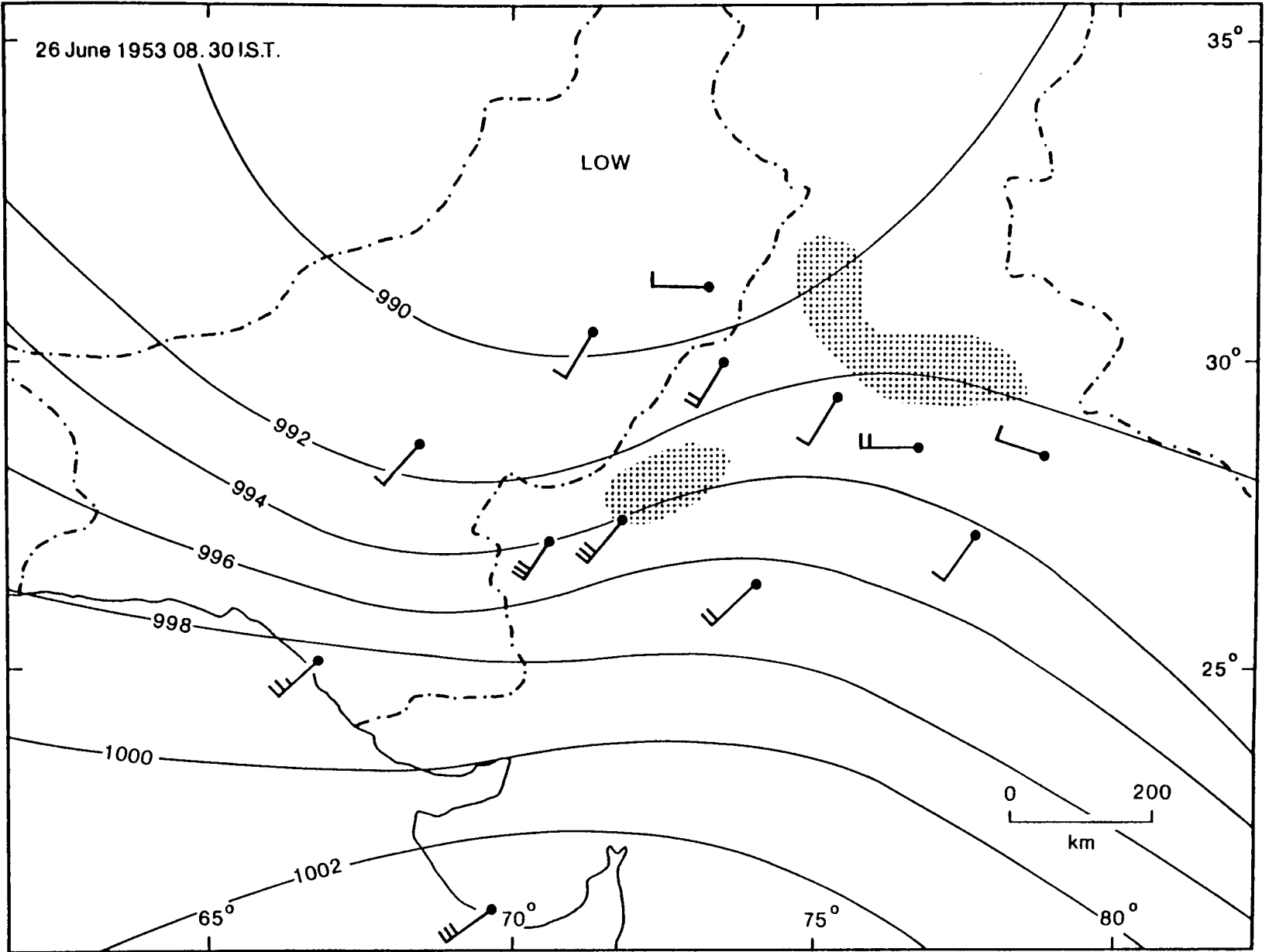


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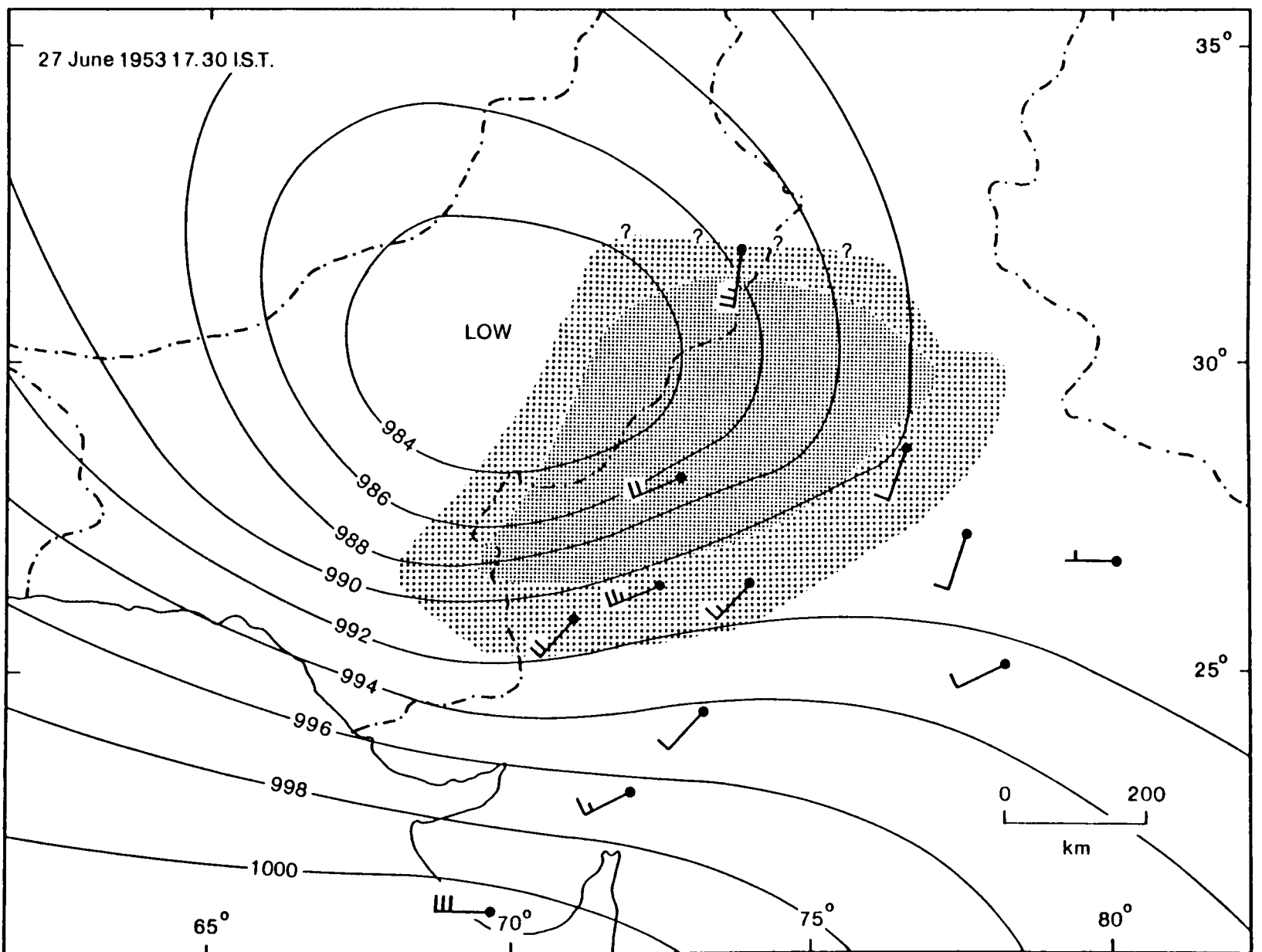
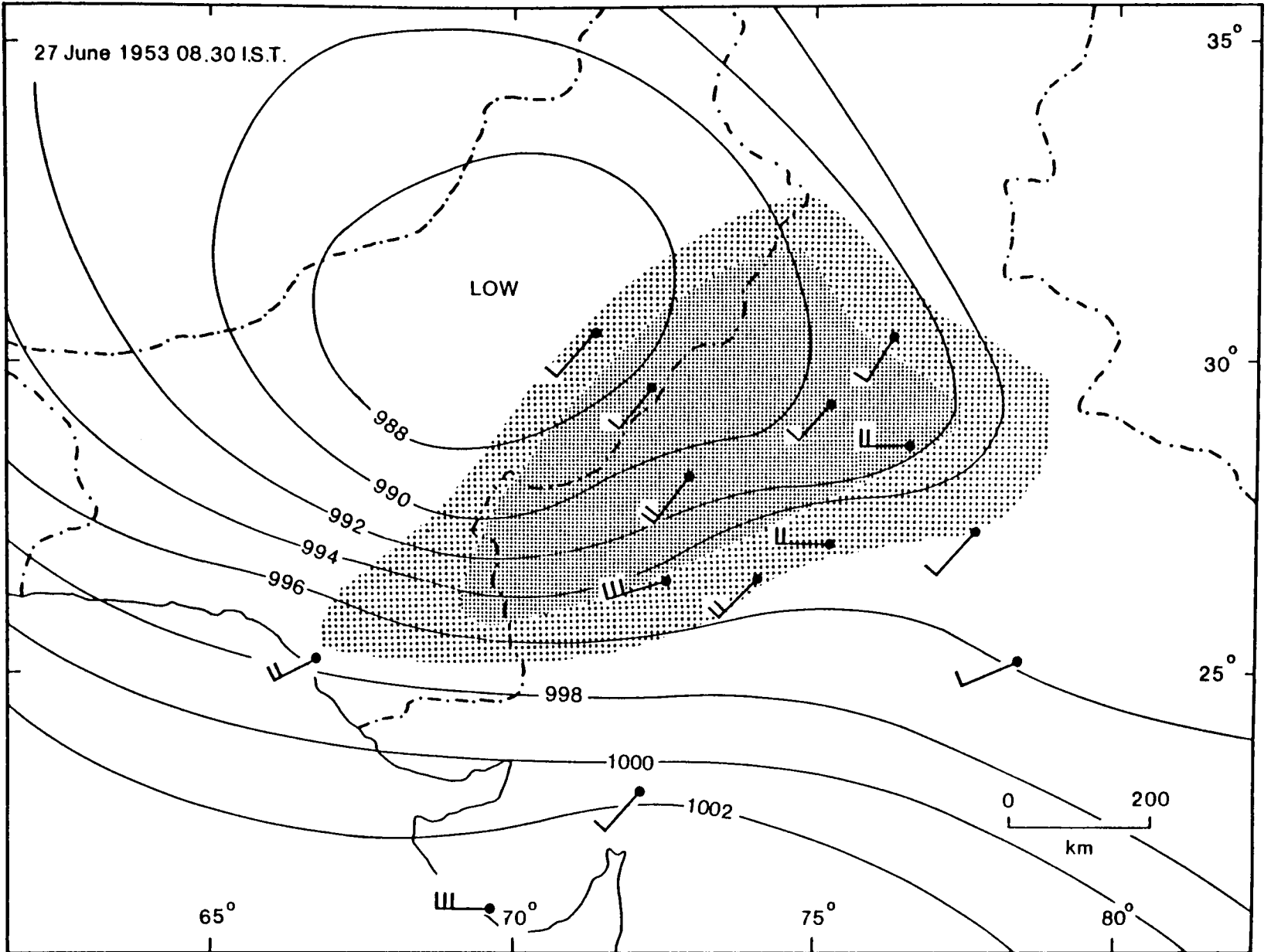


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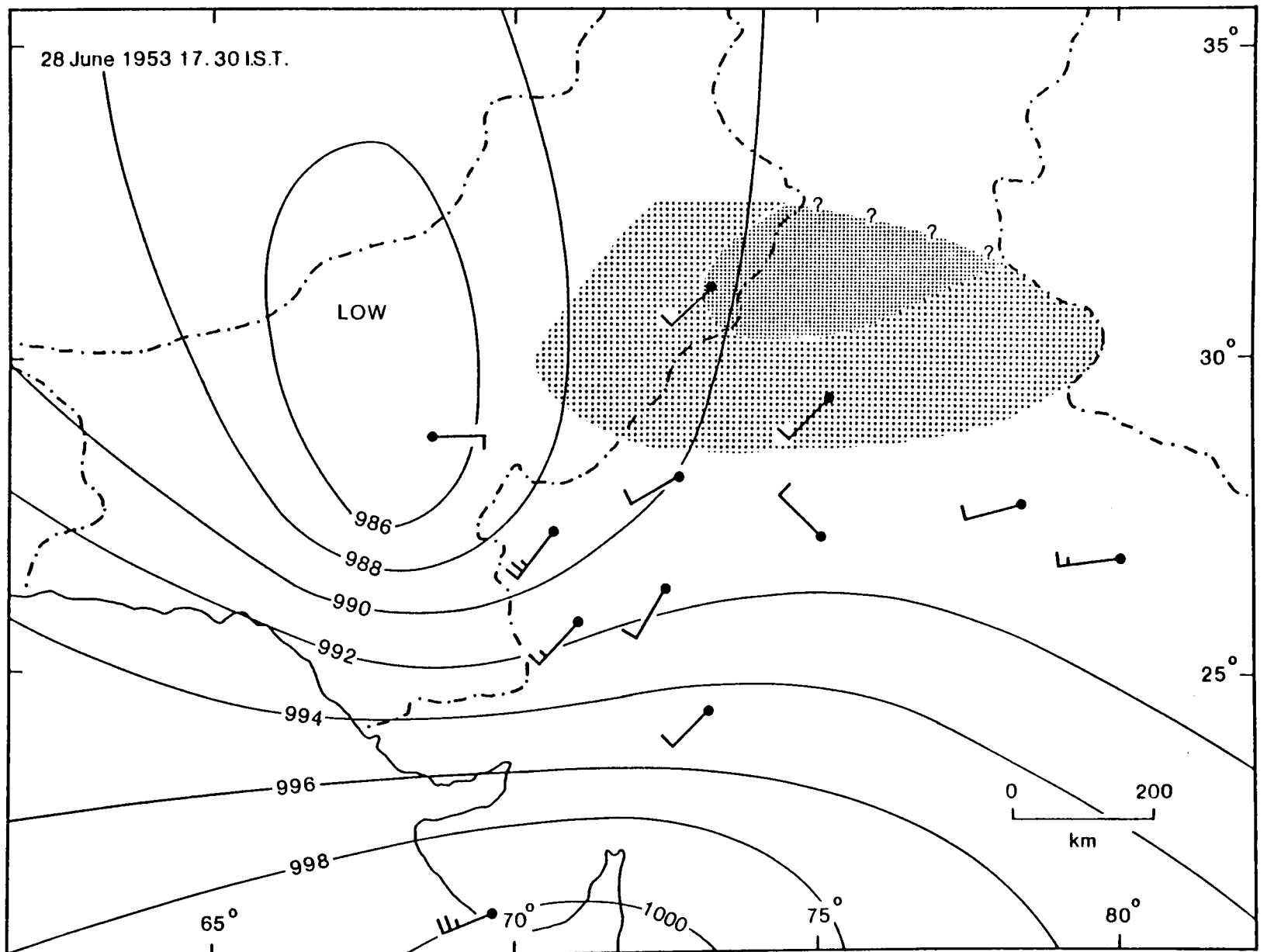
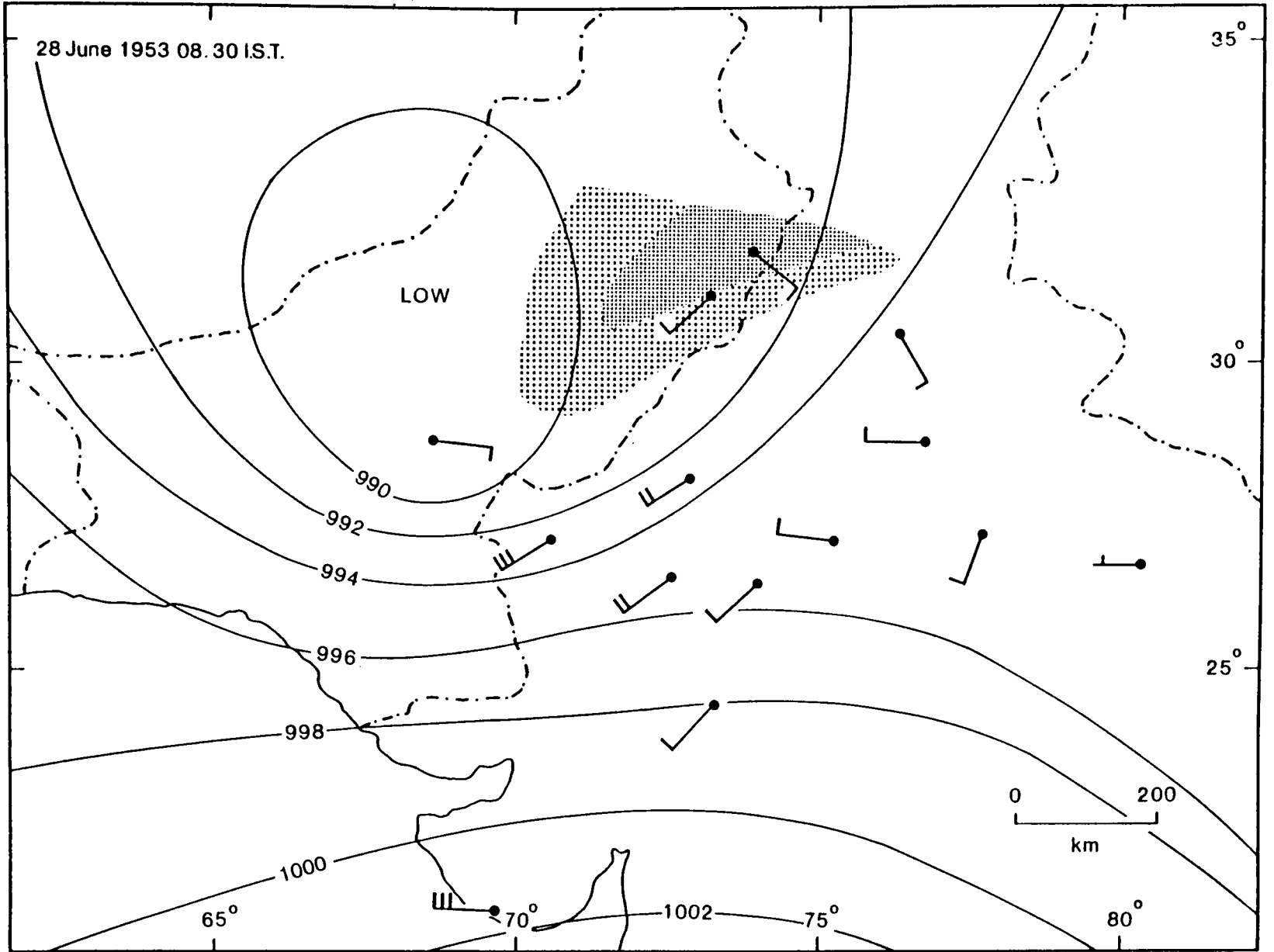


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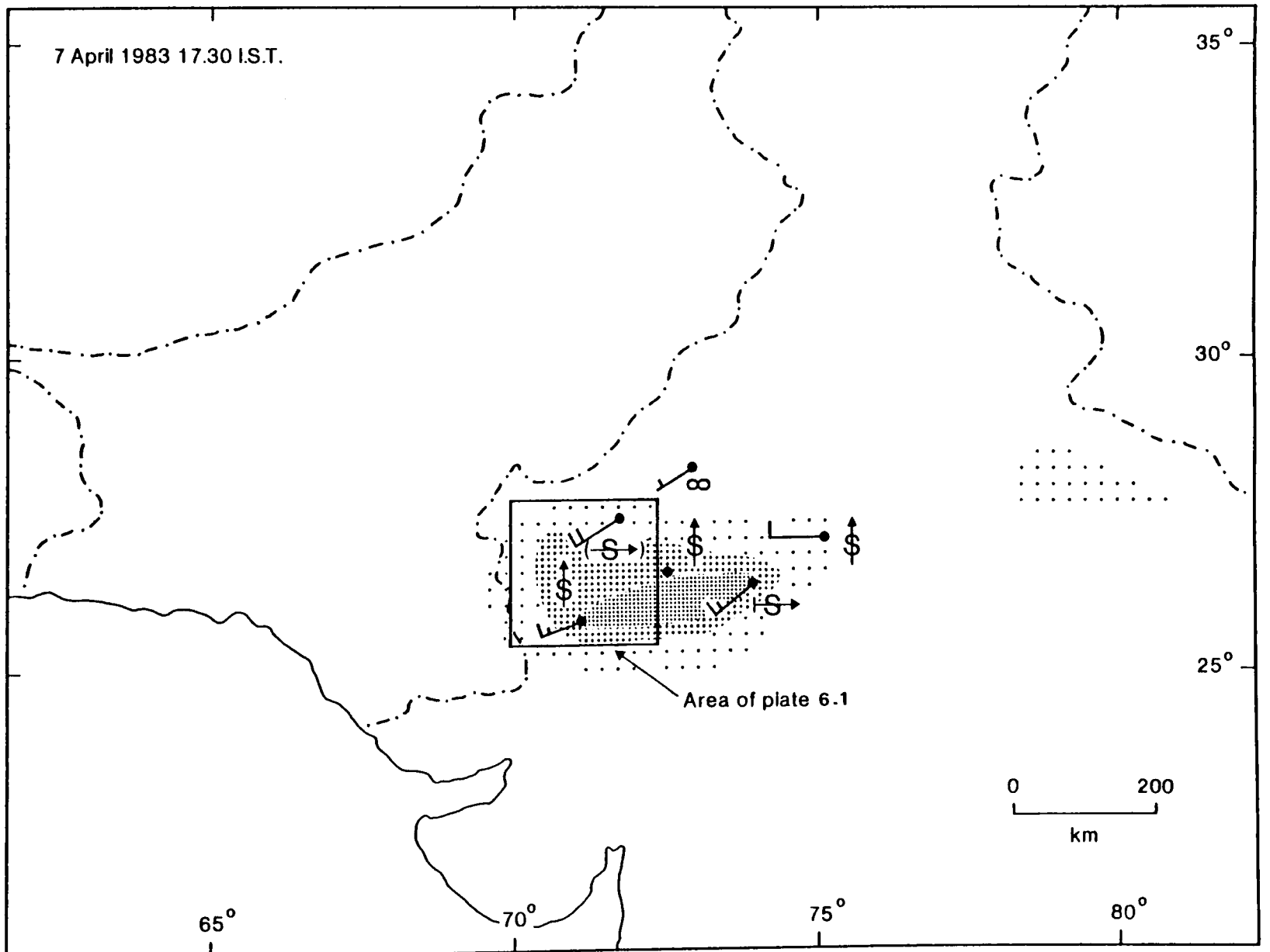
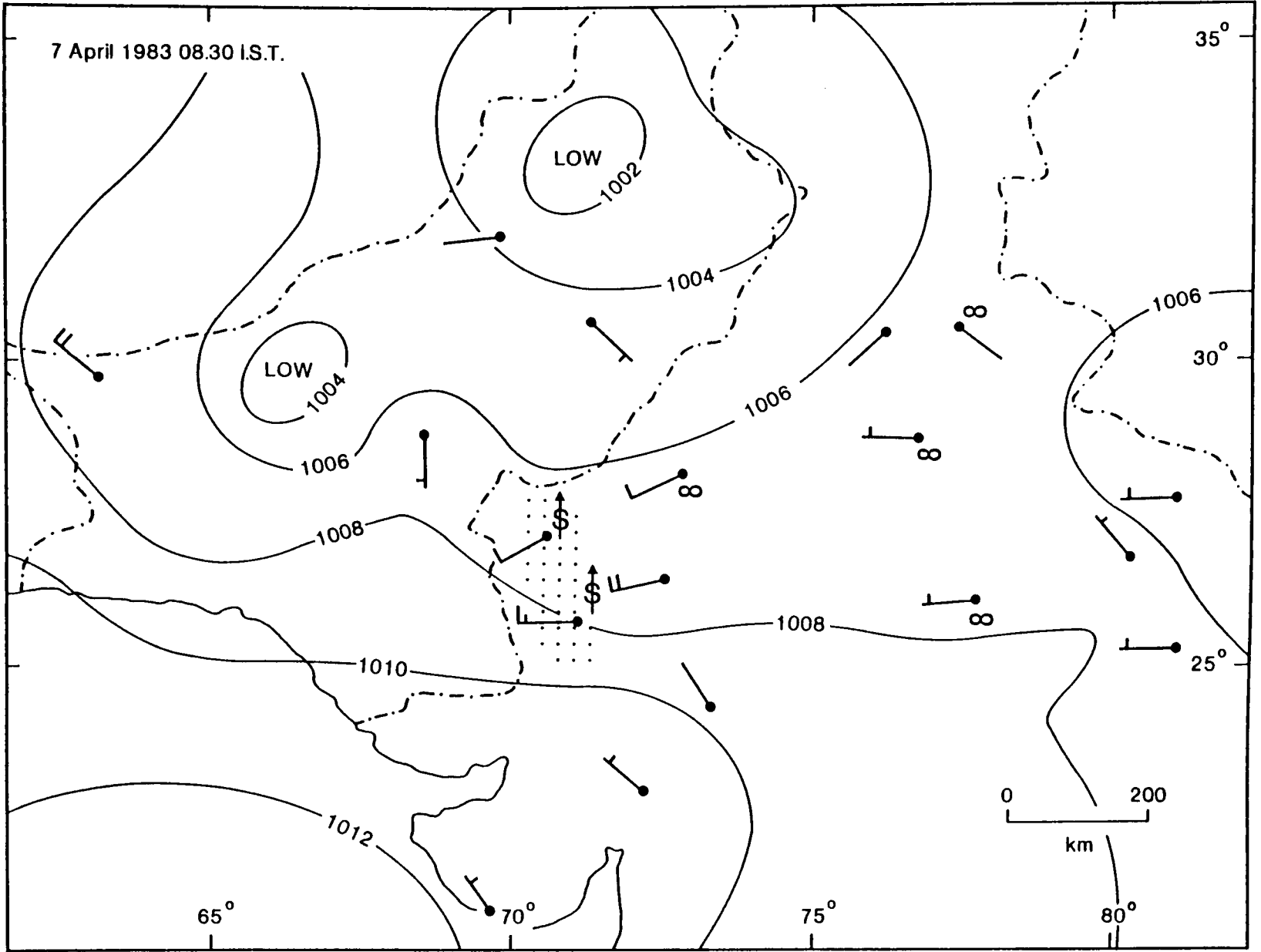


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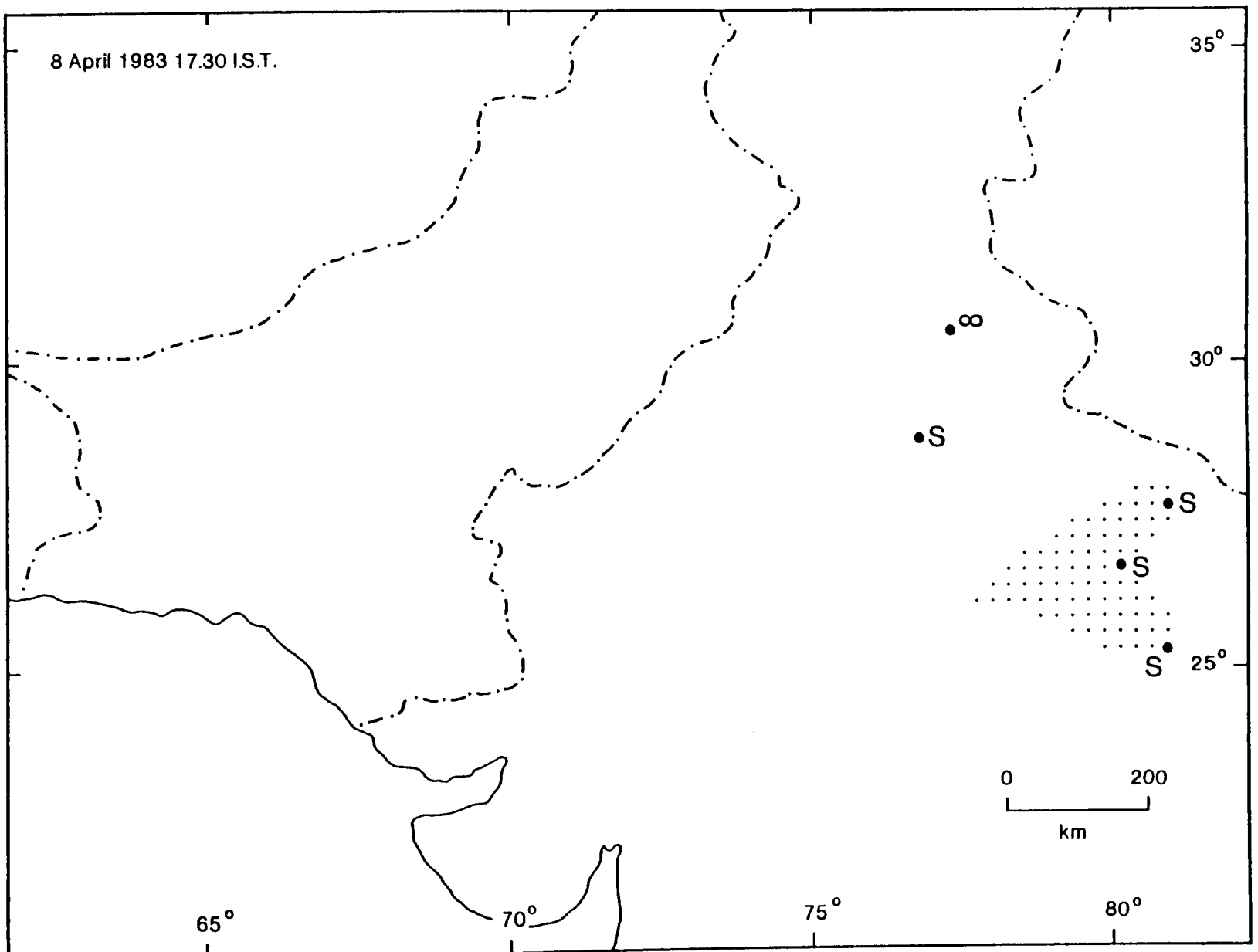
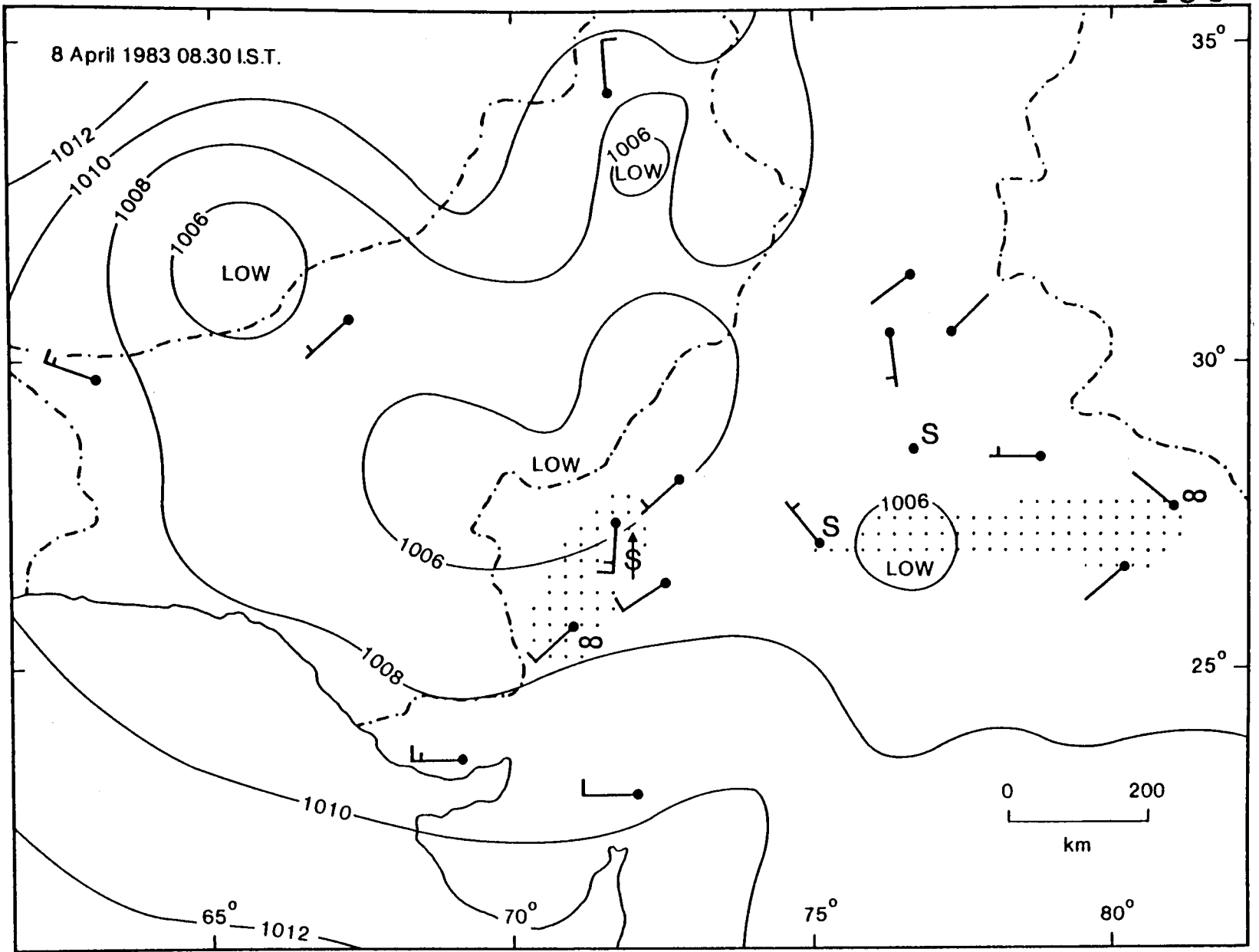


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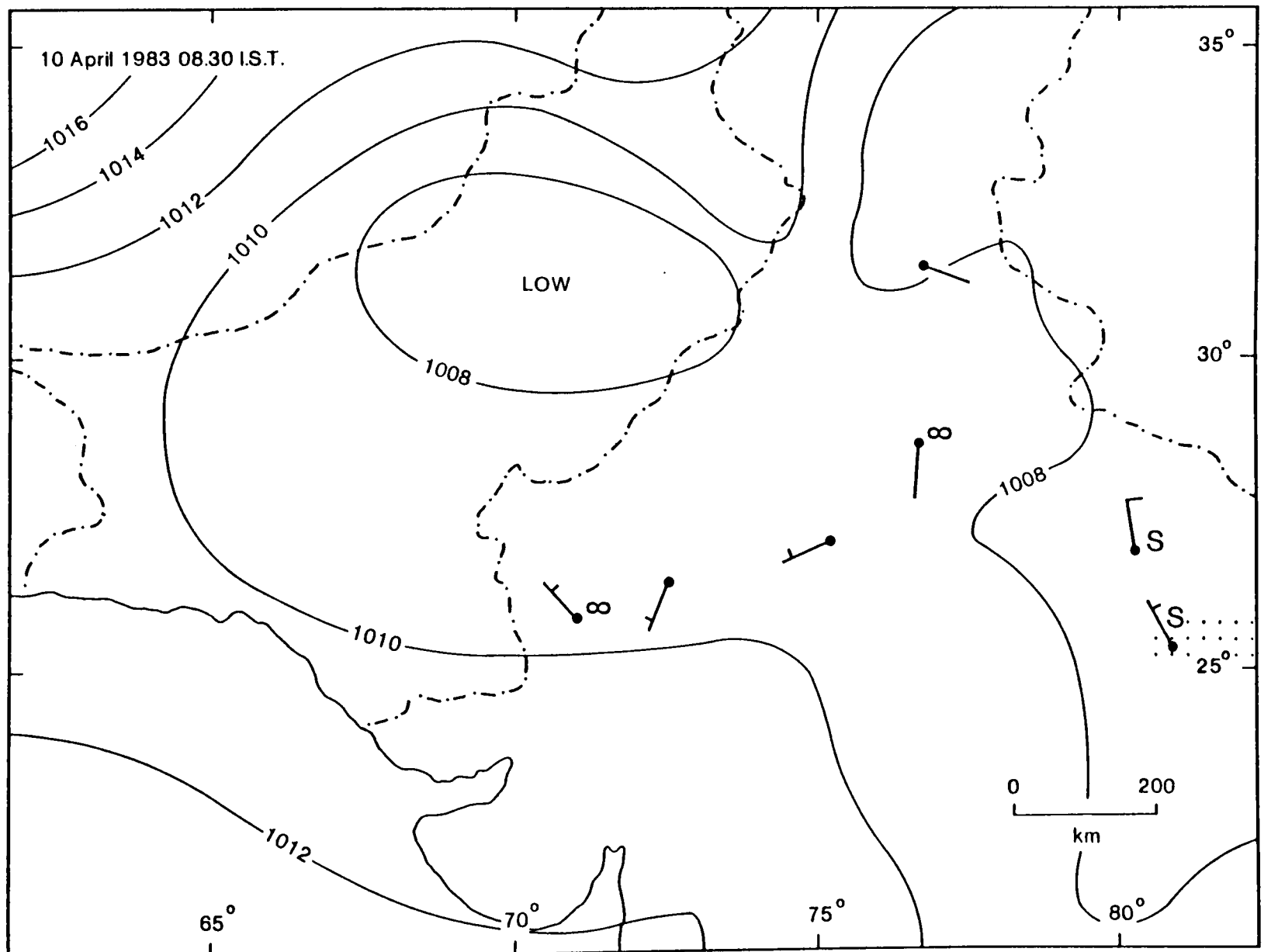
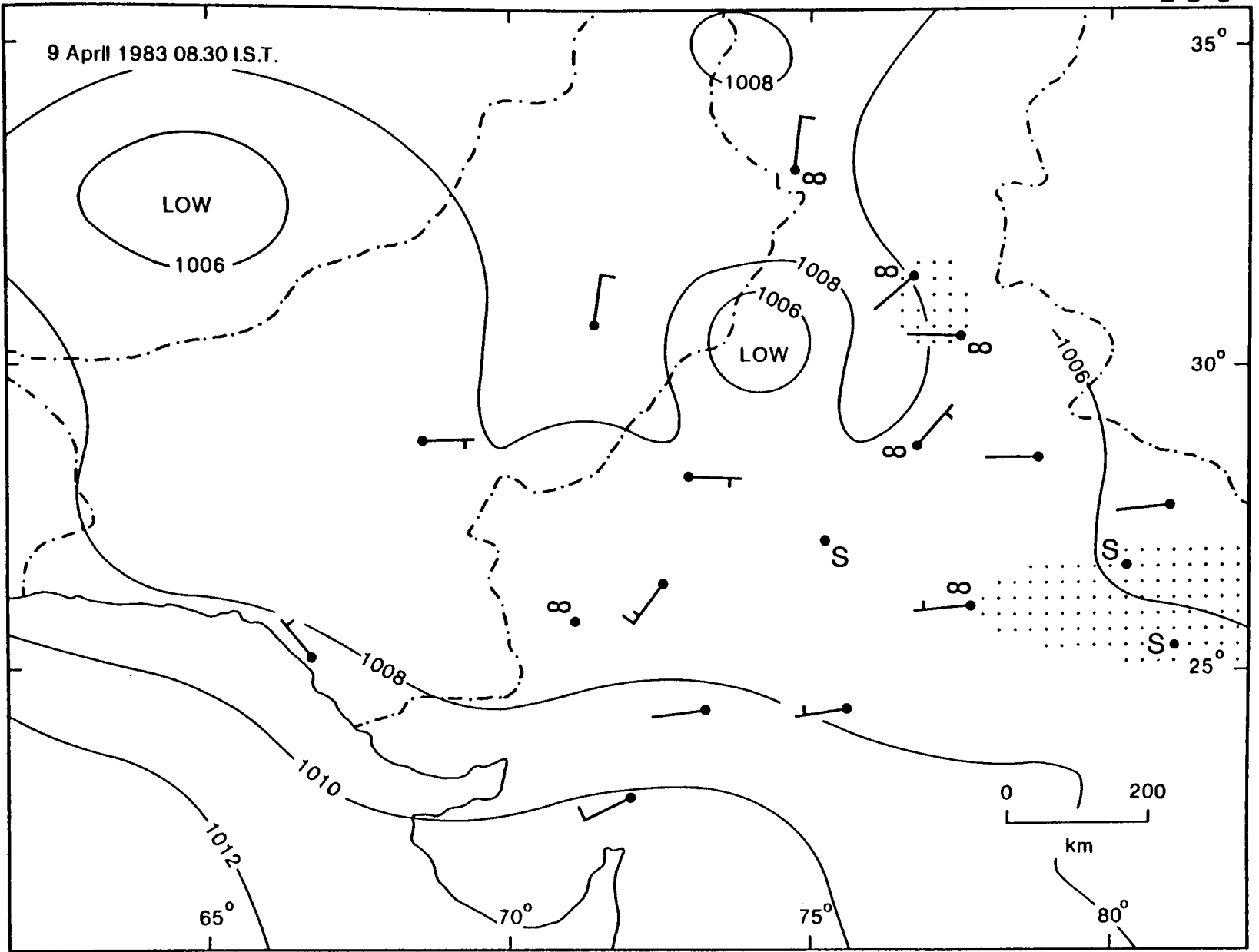


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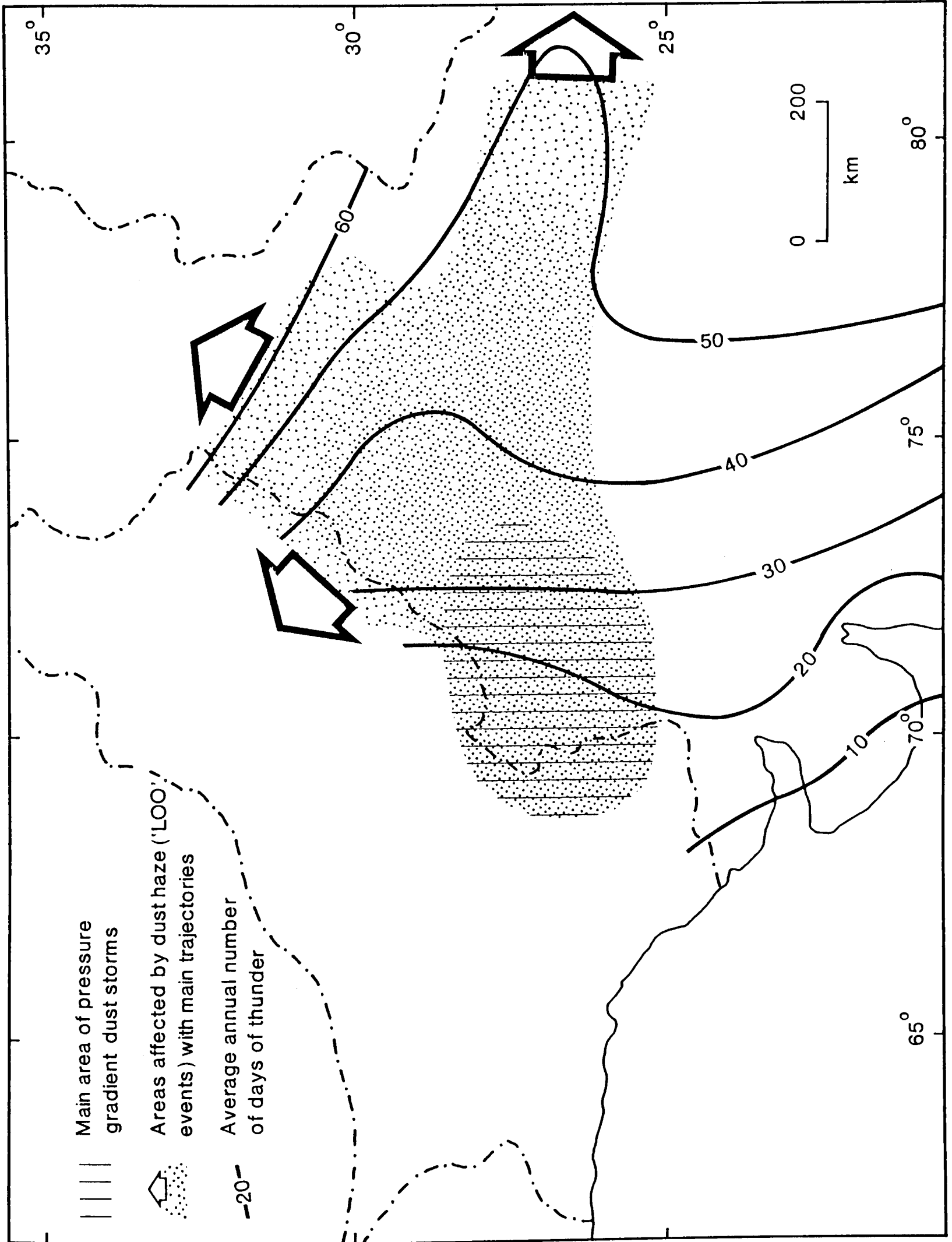


Figure 6.12 Model of the dust storm system in northern India

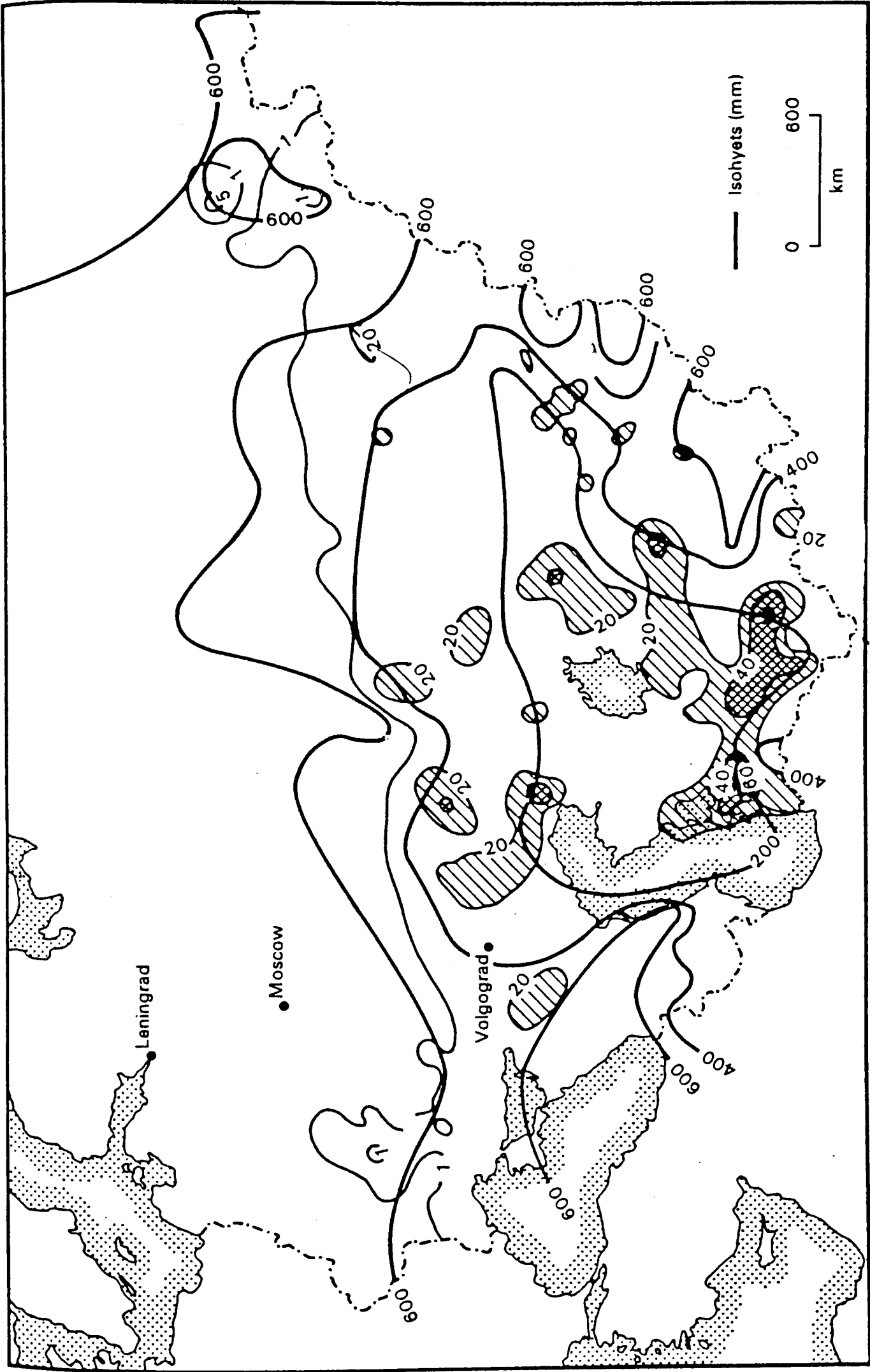


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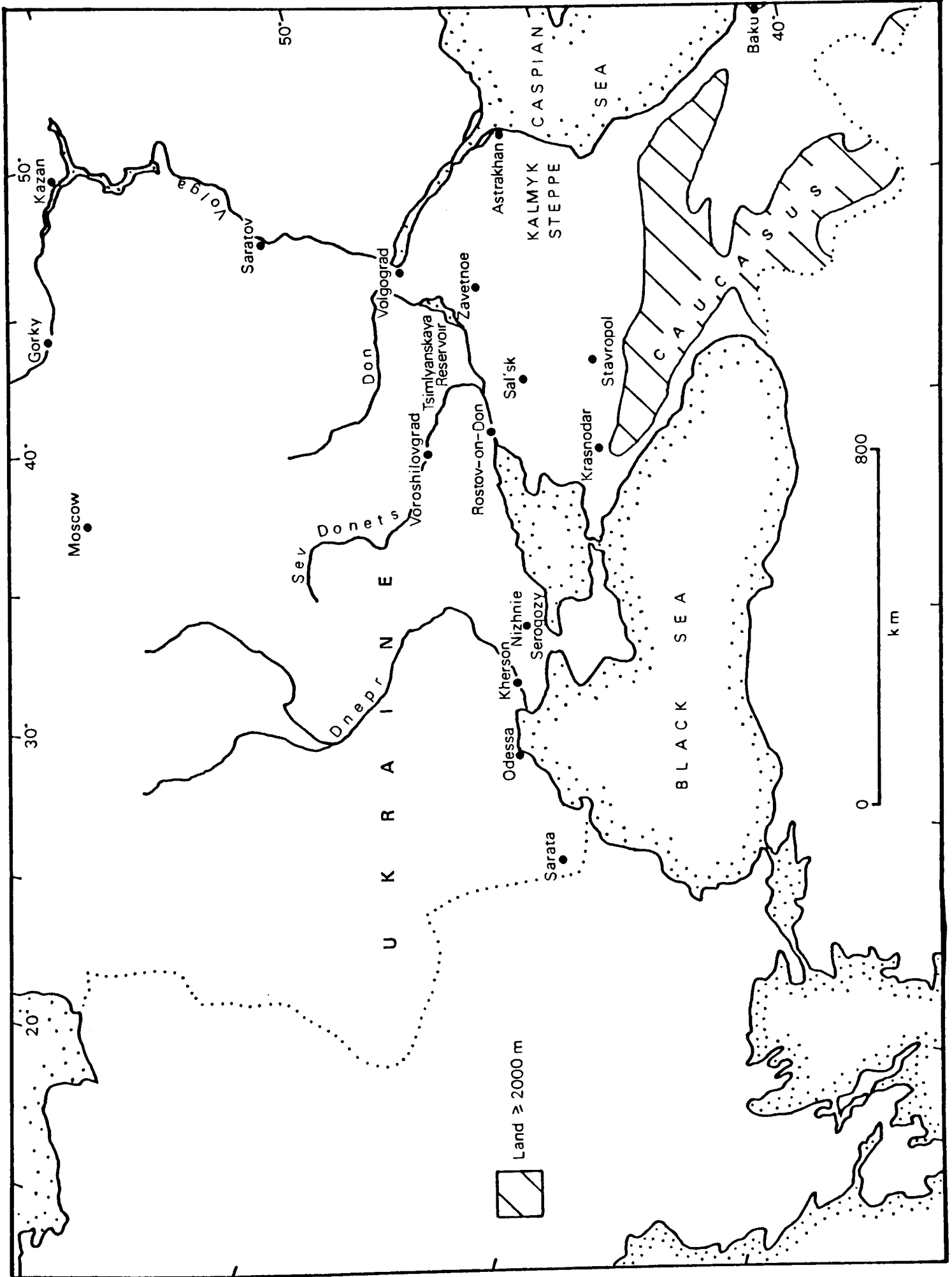


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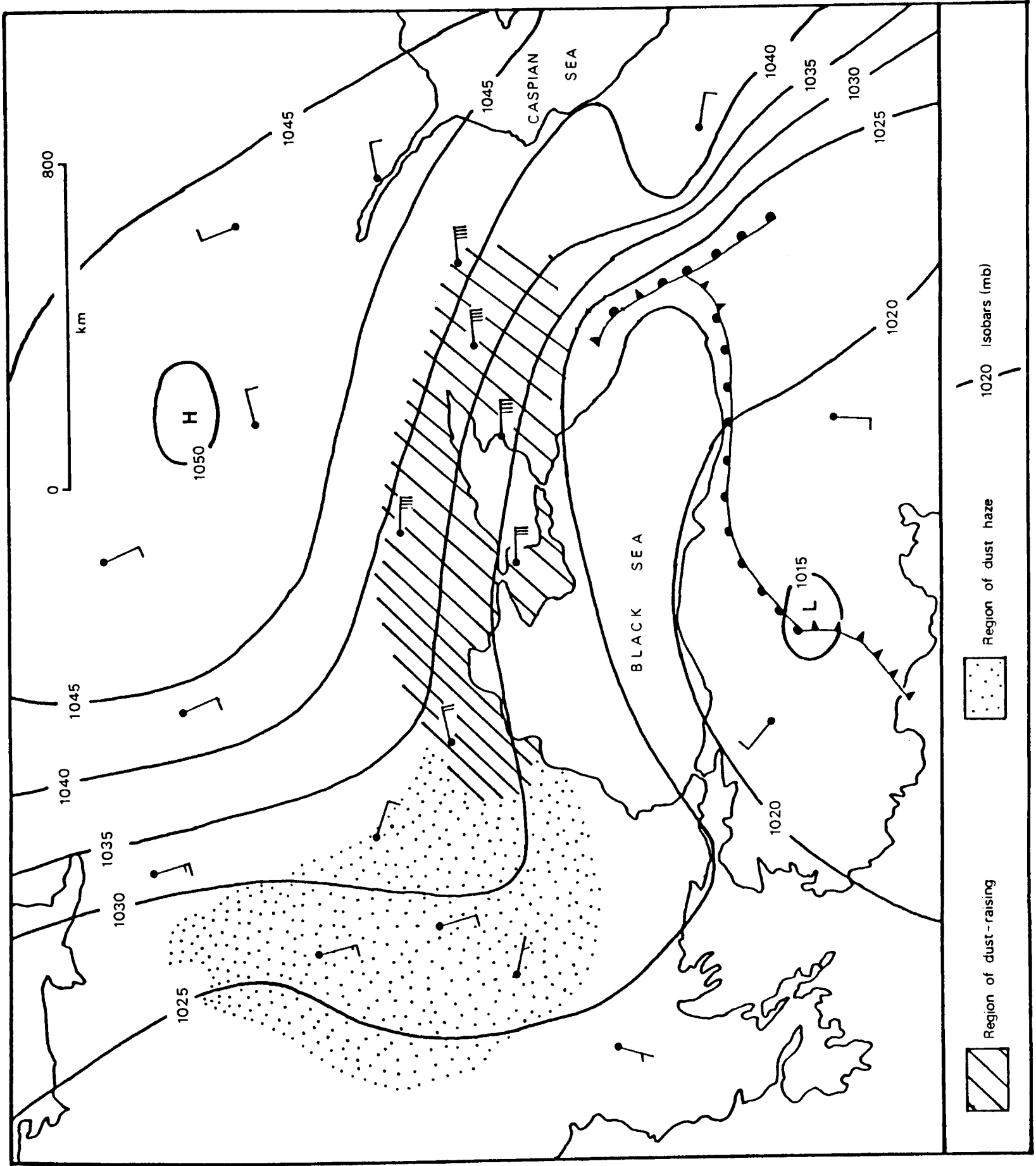


Figure 7.3 Pressure distribution & dust storm area over the Ukraine, 1500 LST, 7 April 1960  
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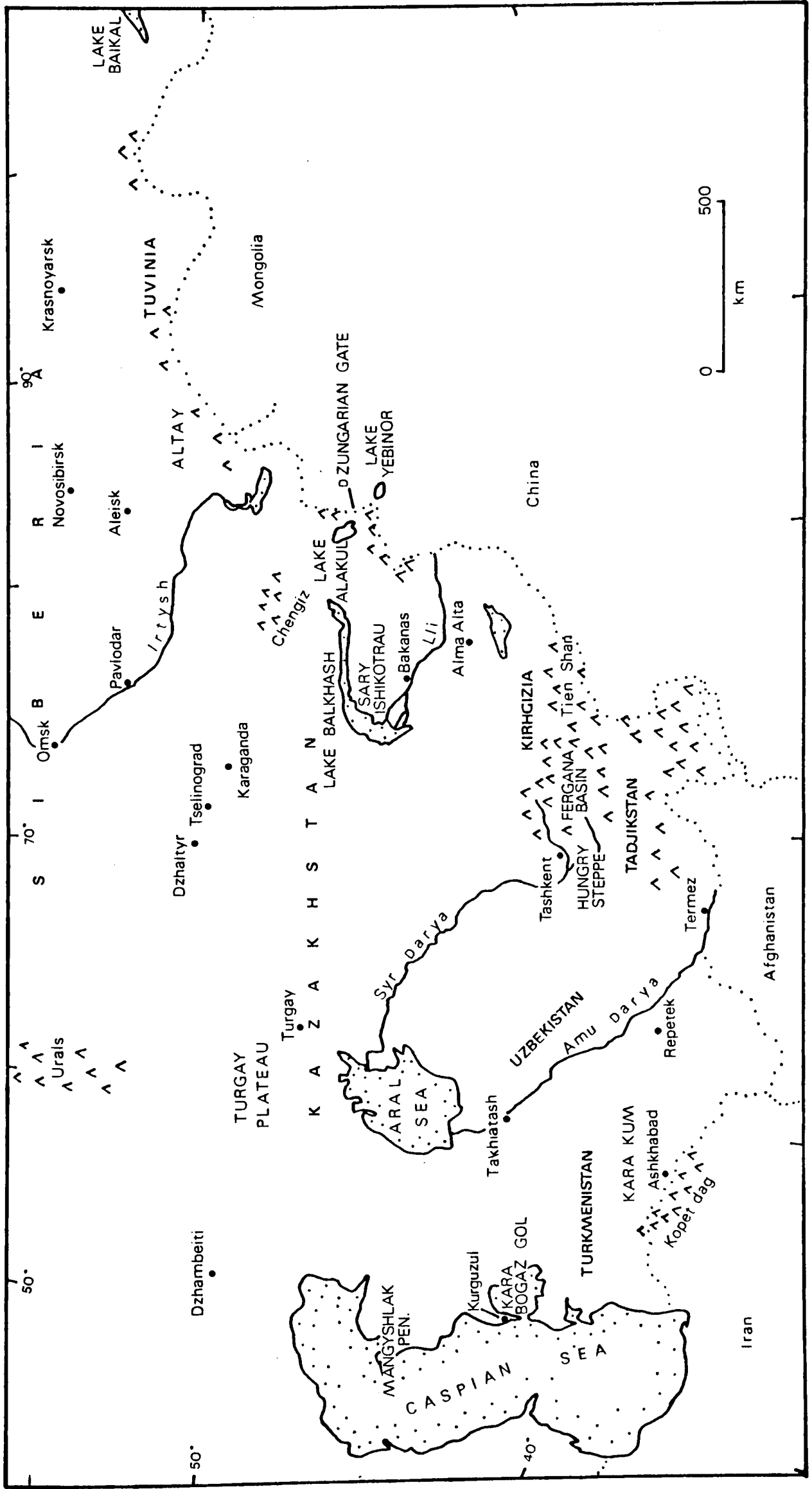


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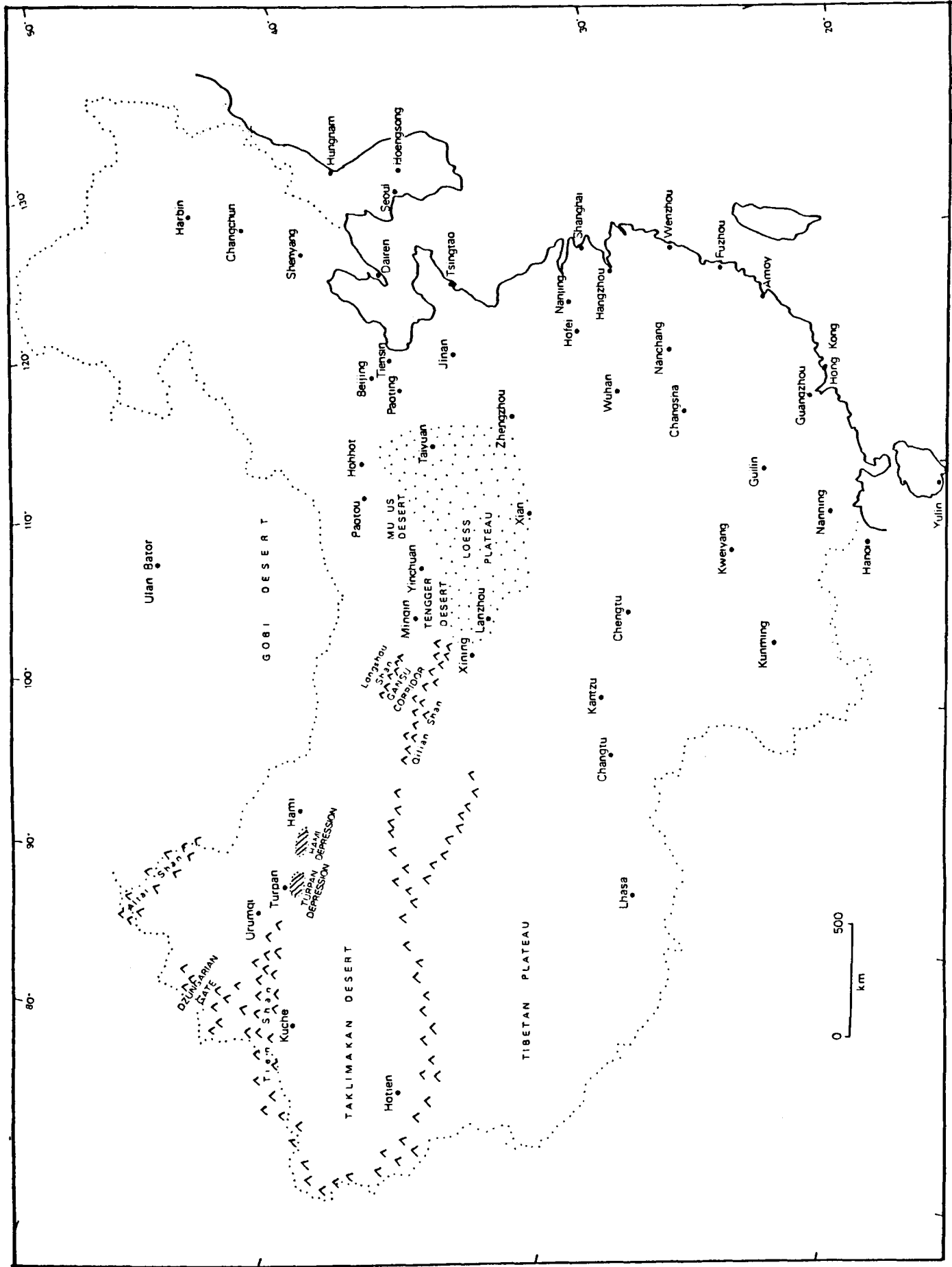


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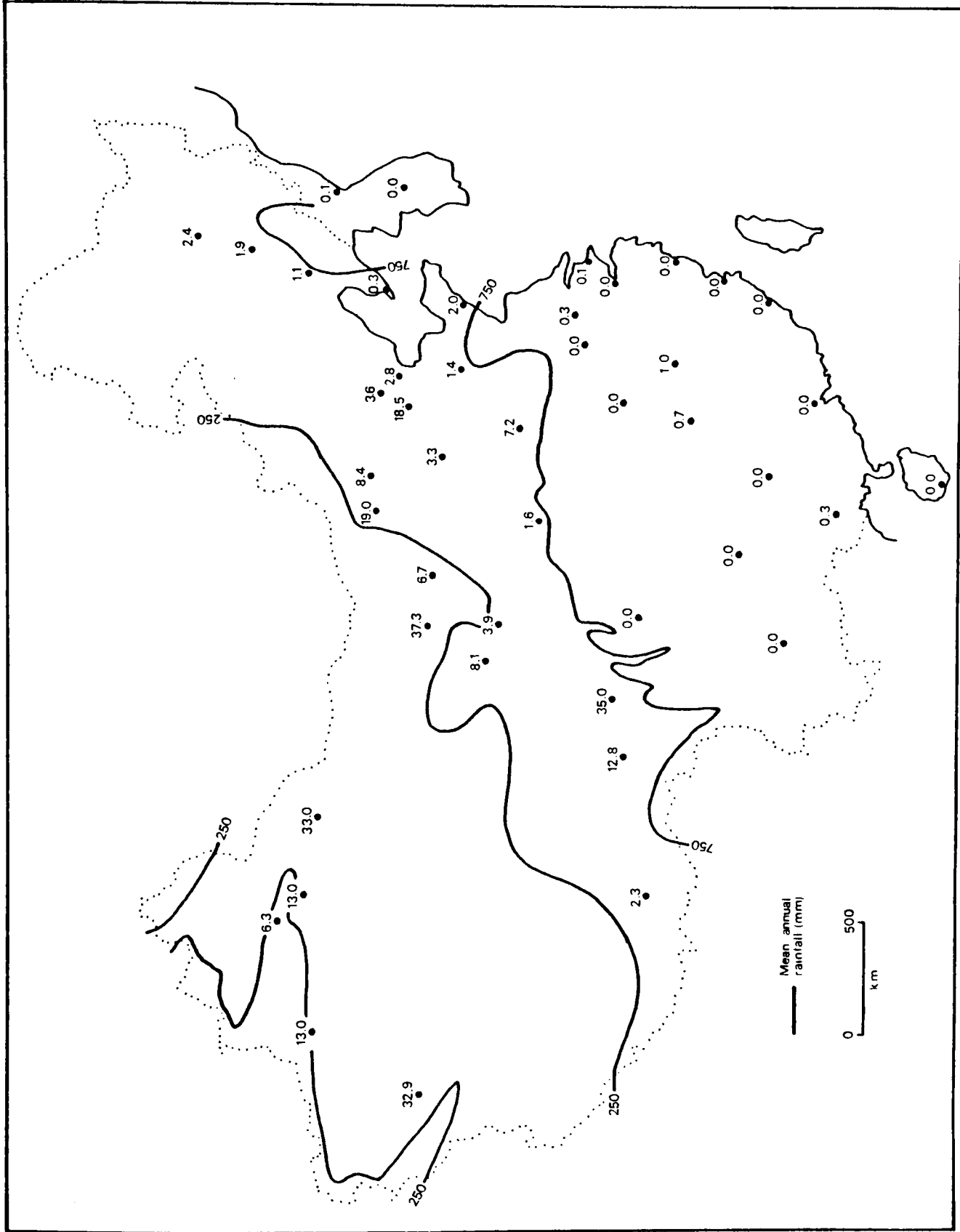


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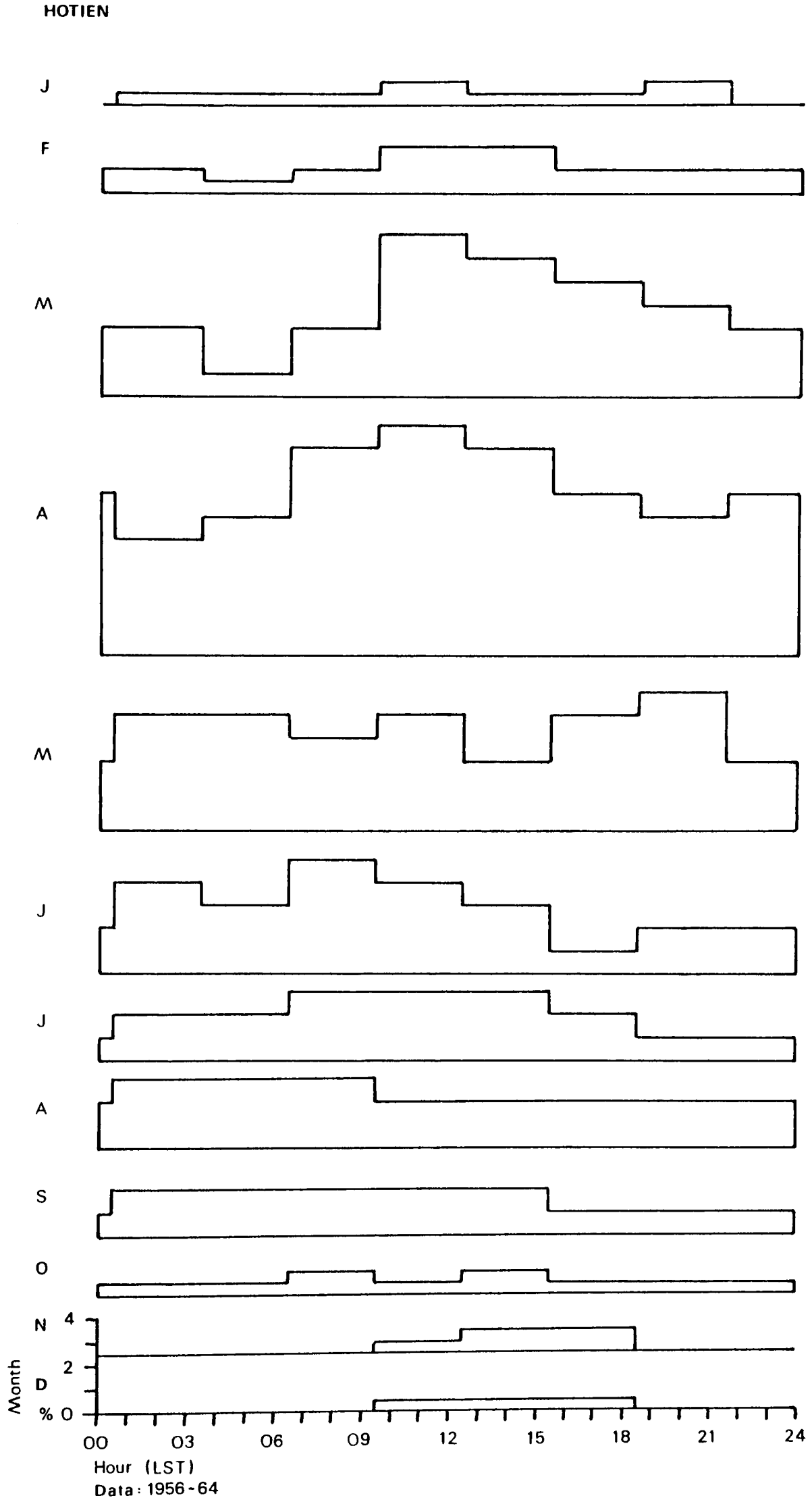


Figure 8.3 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 1000m by dust storms at Hotien, China

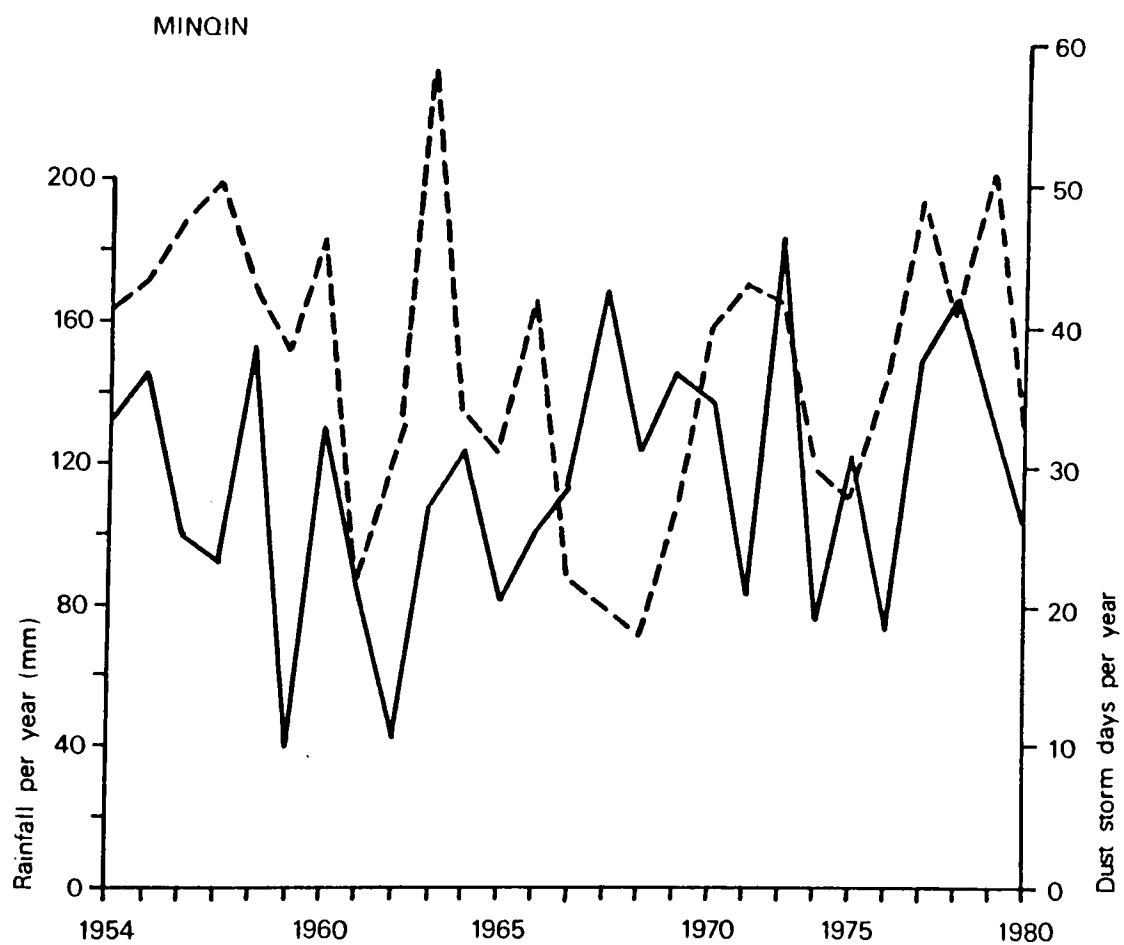
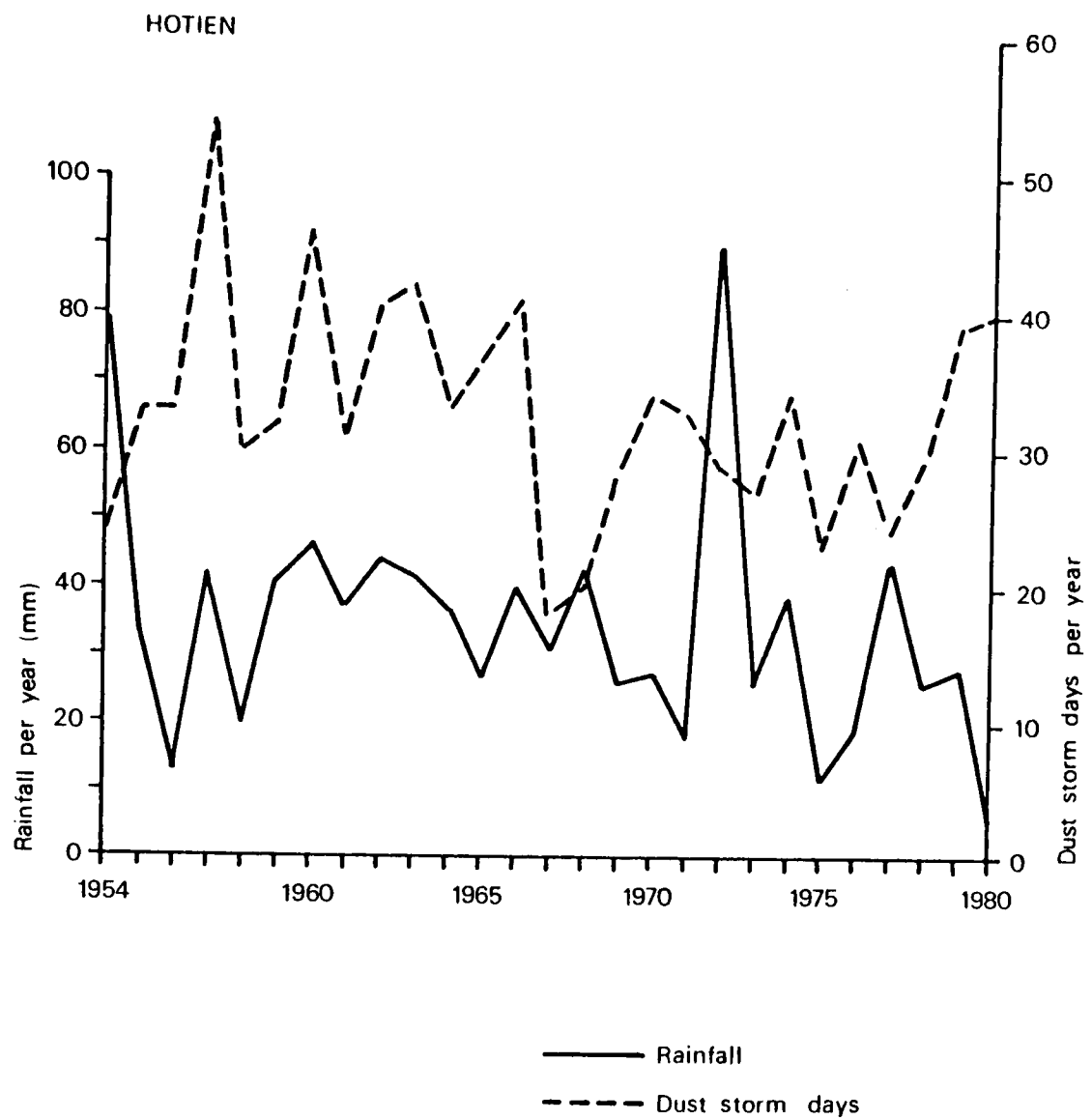


Figure 8.4 Annual rainfall totals & dust storm frequencies at Hotien & Minqin, China (1954-80)

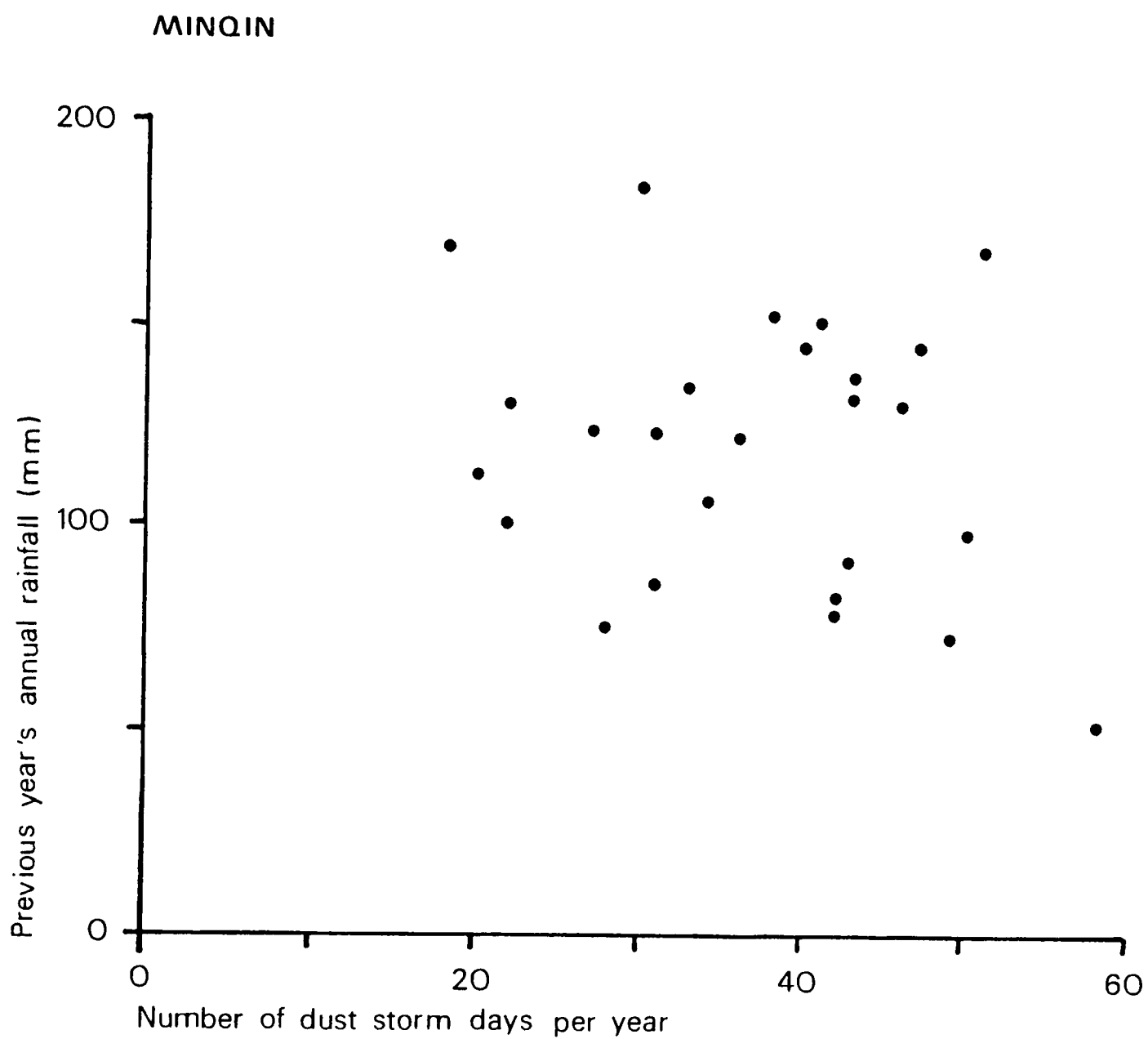


Figure 8.5 Frequency of dust storms in relation to previous year's rainfall at Minqin, China

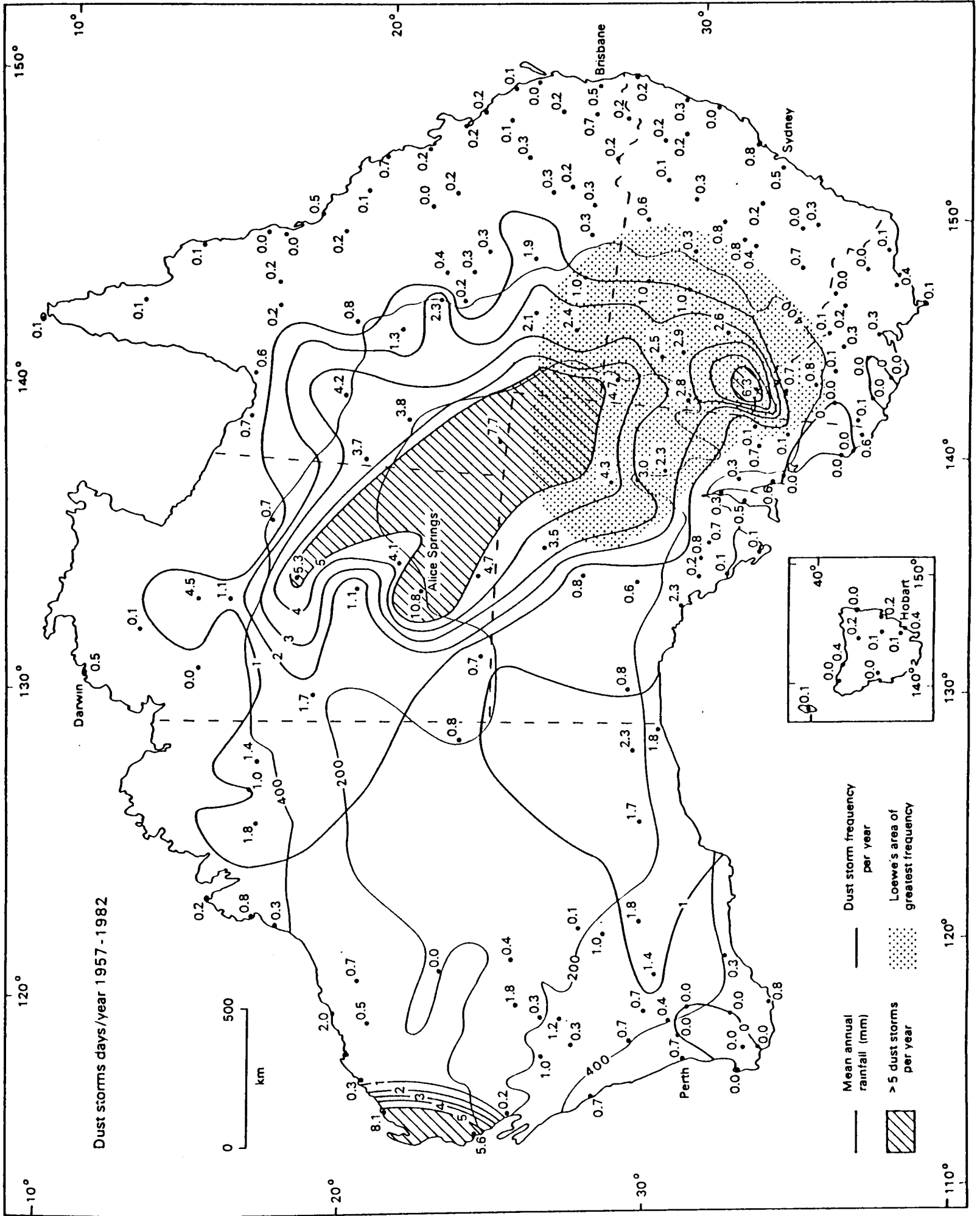


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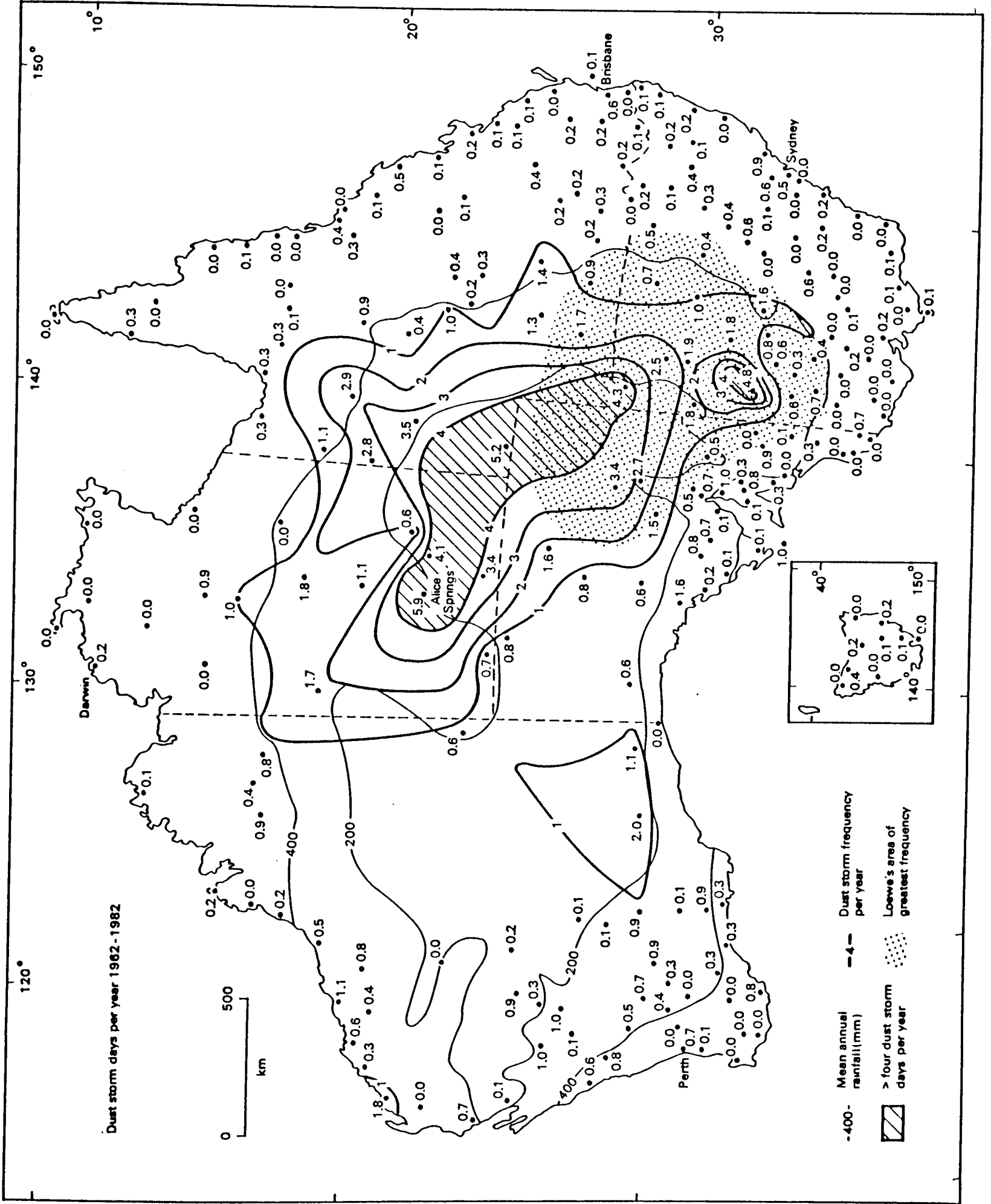


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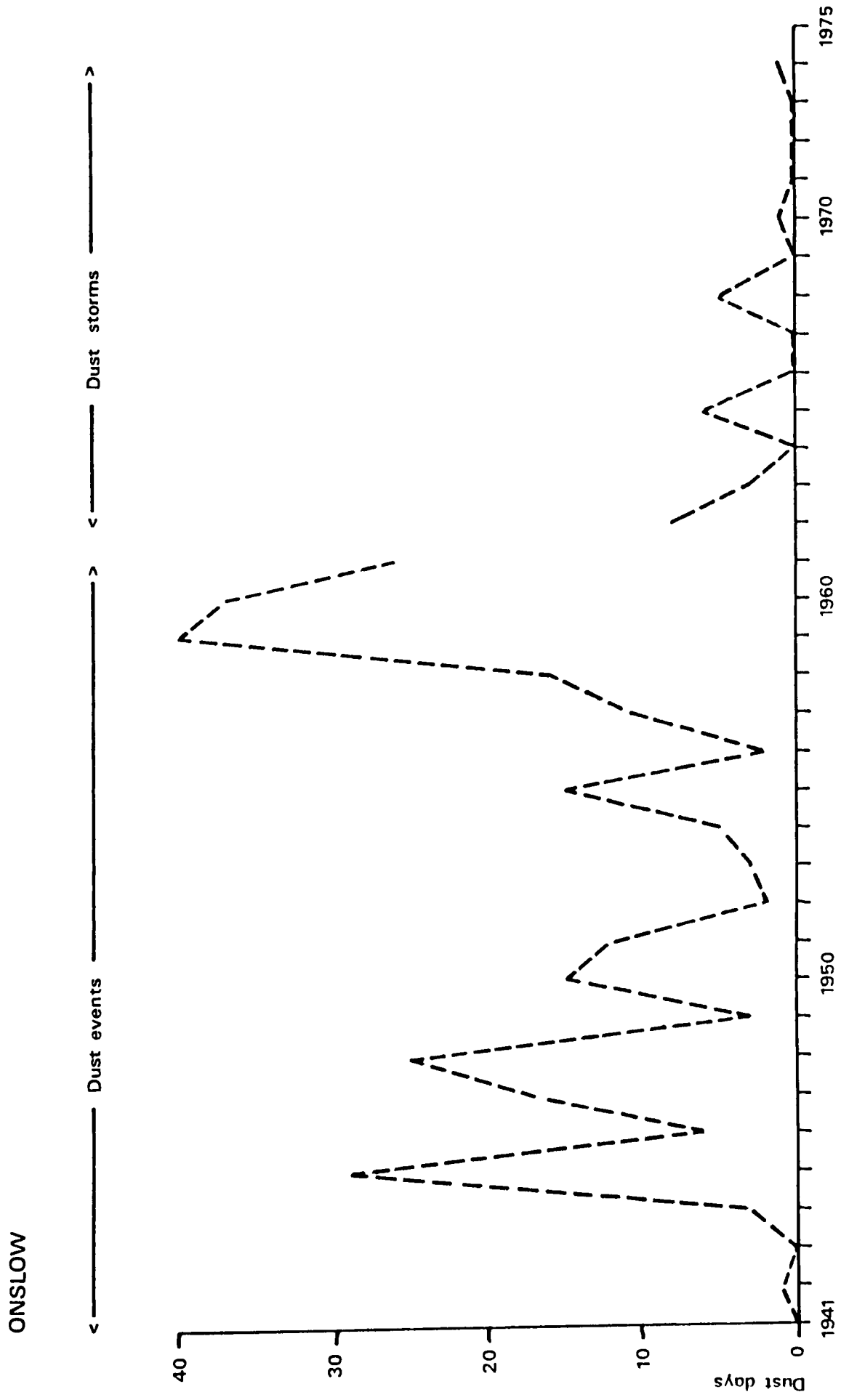


Figure 9.3 Frequency of dust days at Onslow (1941-74)

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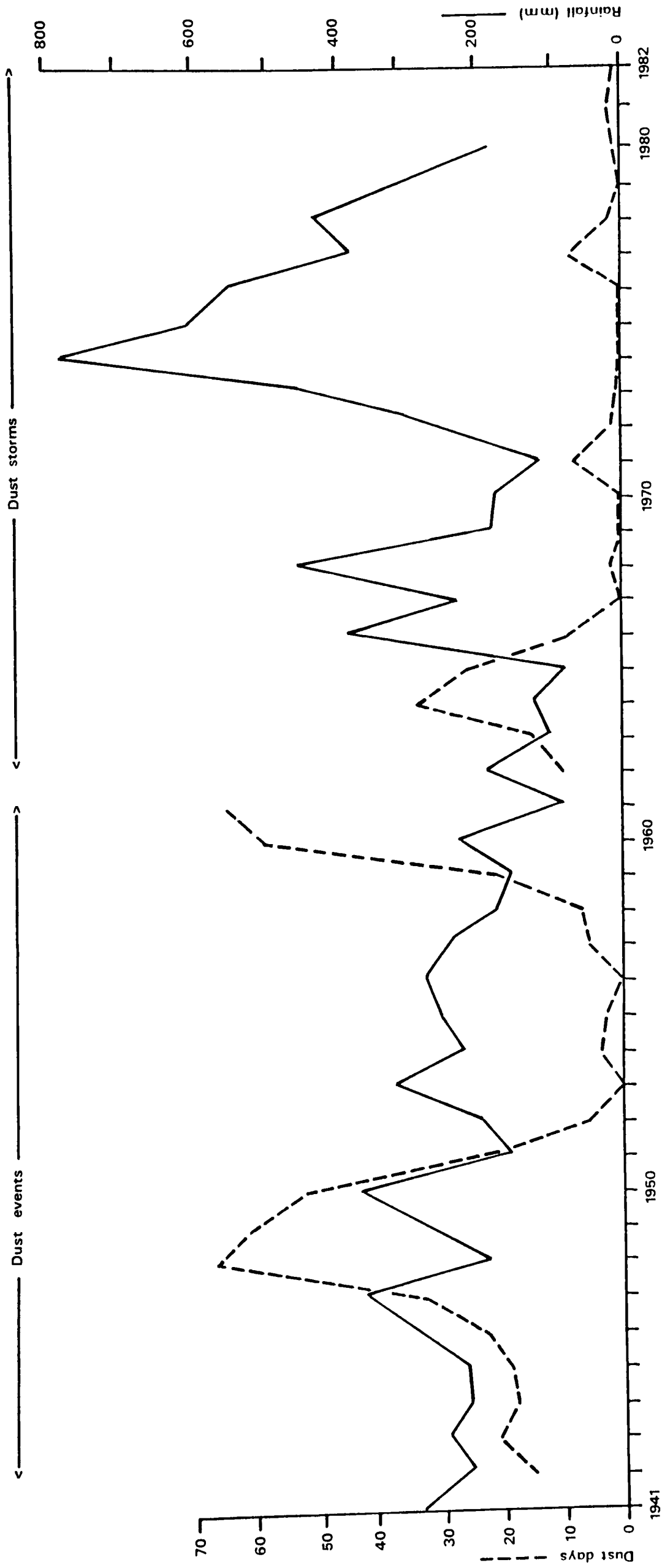


Figure 9.4 Frequency of dust days & annual rainfall at Alice Springs (1941-82)

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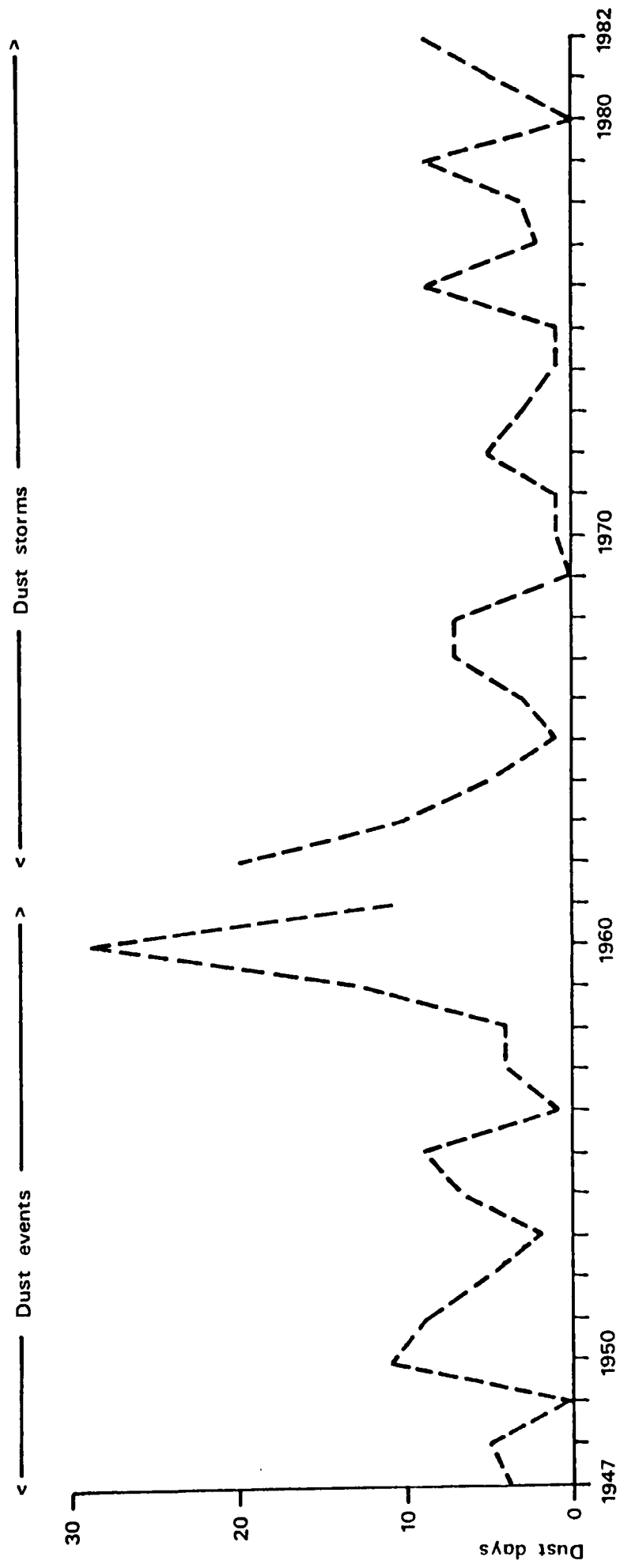


Figure 9.5 Frequency of dust days at Mildura (1947-82)

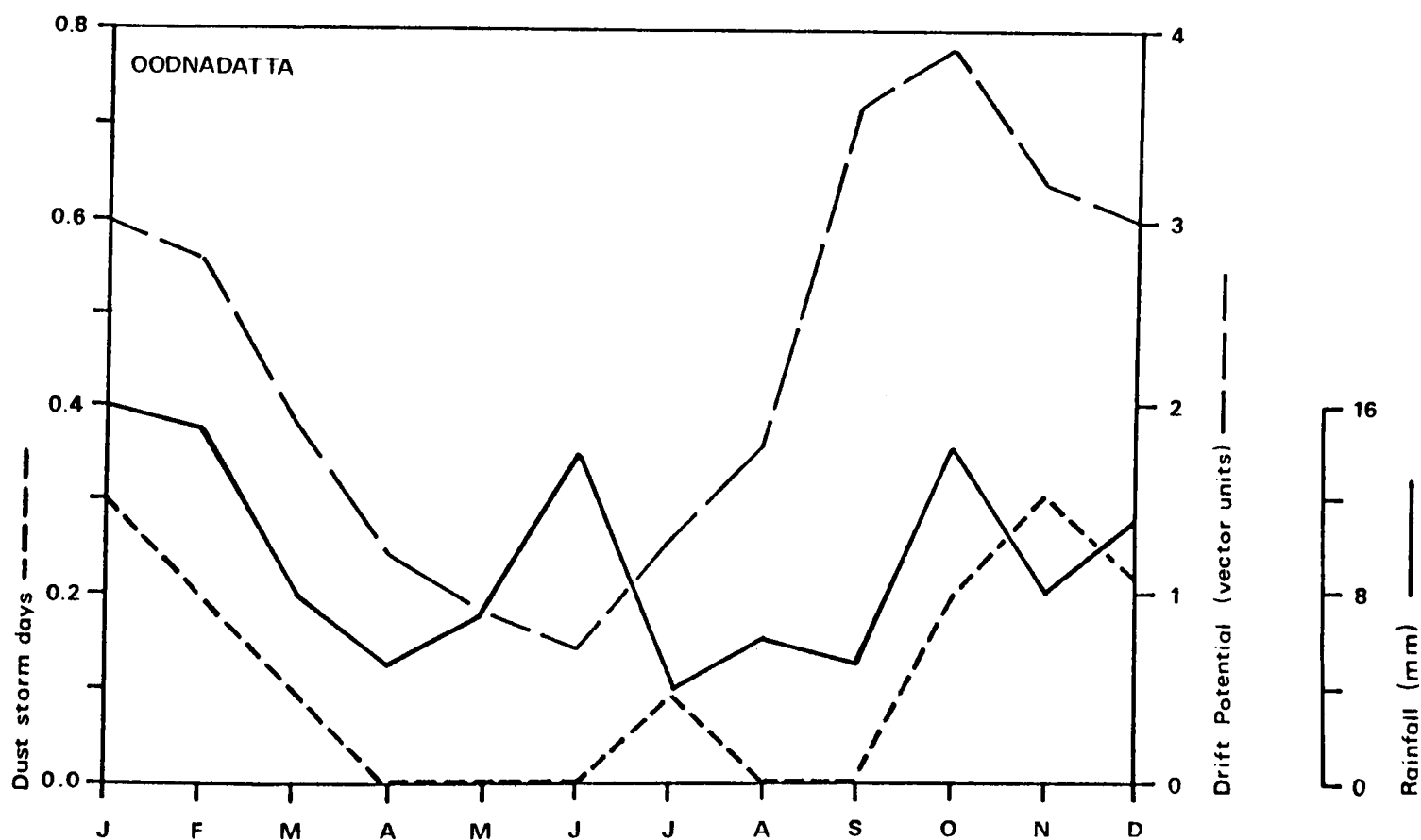
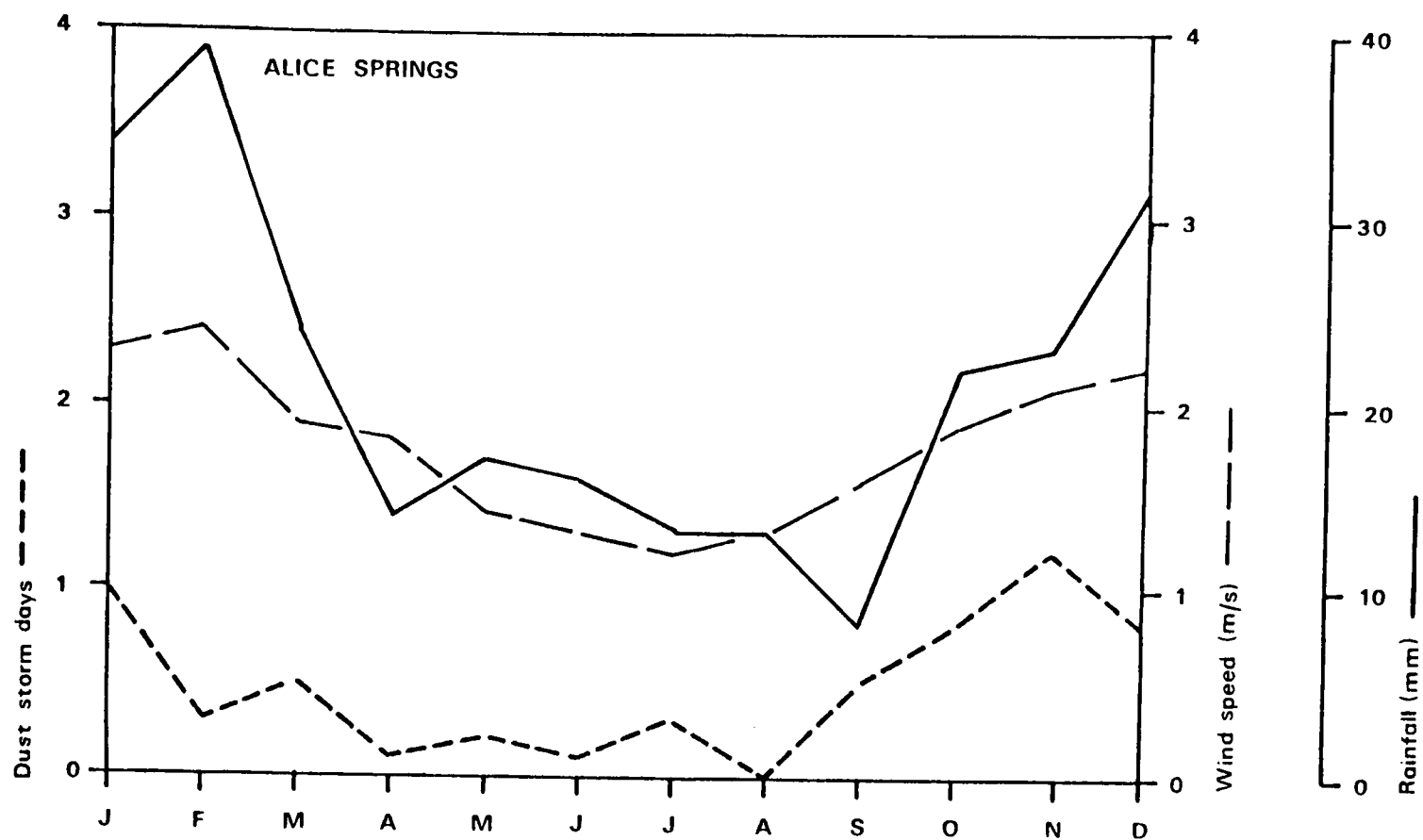


Figure 9.6 Monthly dust storm frequencies, rainfall totals & wind speed measures at Alice Springs & Oodnadatta

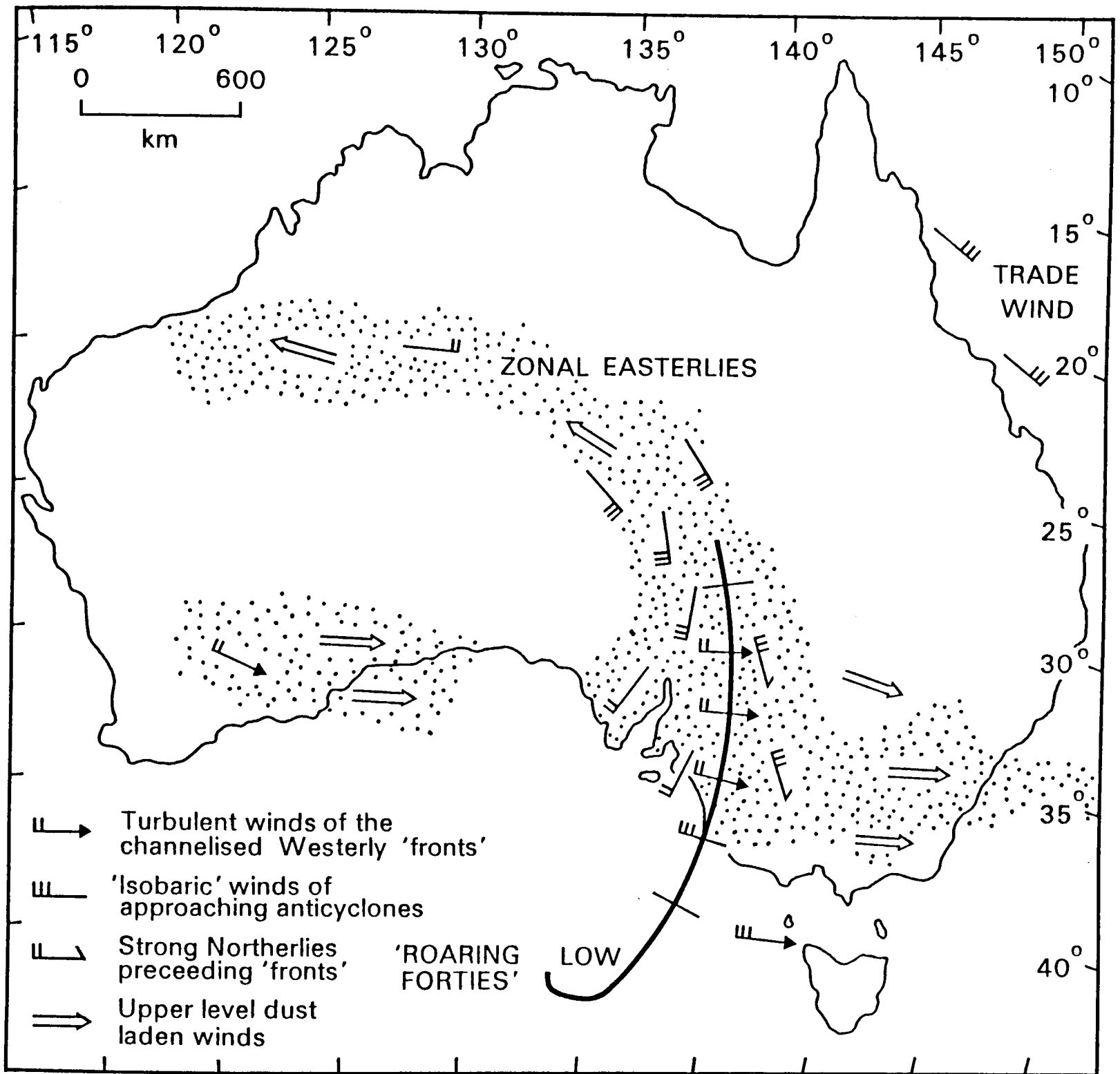


Figure 9.7 Proposed model for dust-bearing winds in Australia (after Sprigg 1982)

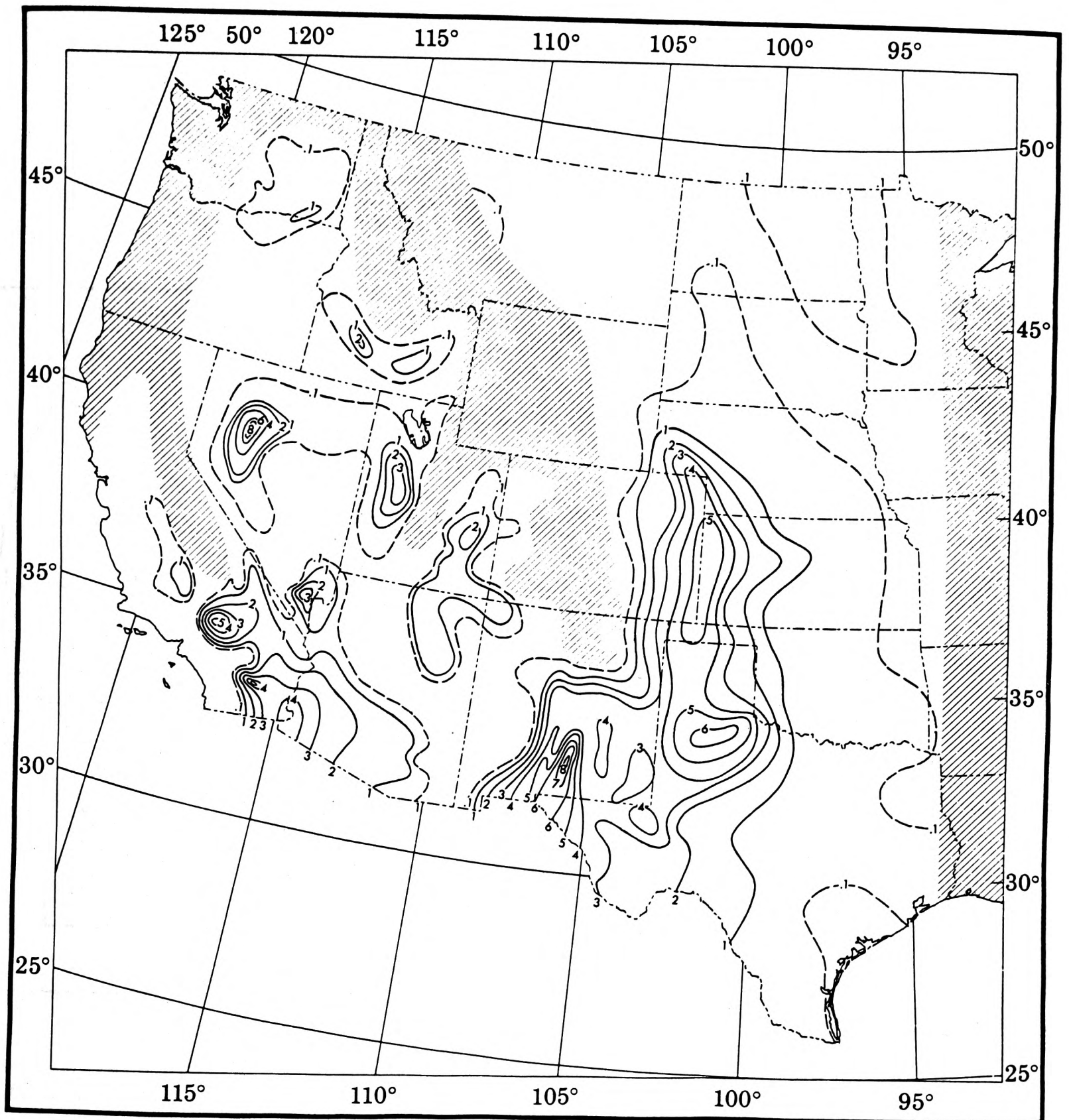


Figure 10.1 Distribution of dust storms in the western USA (data are for average annual number of dust episodes with visibility less than 5/8 mile, after Changery 1983)

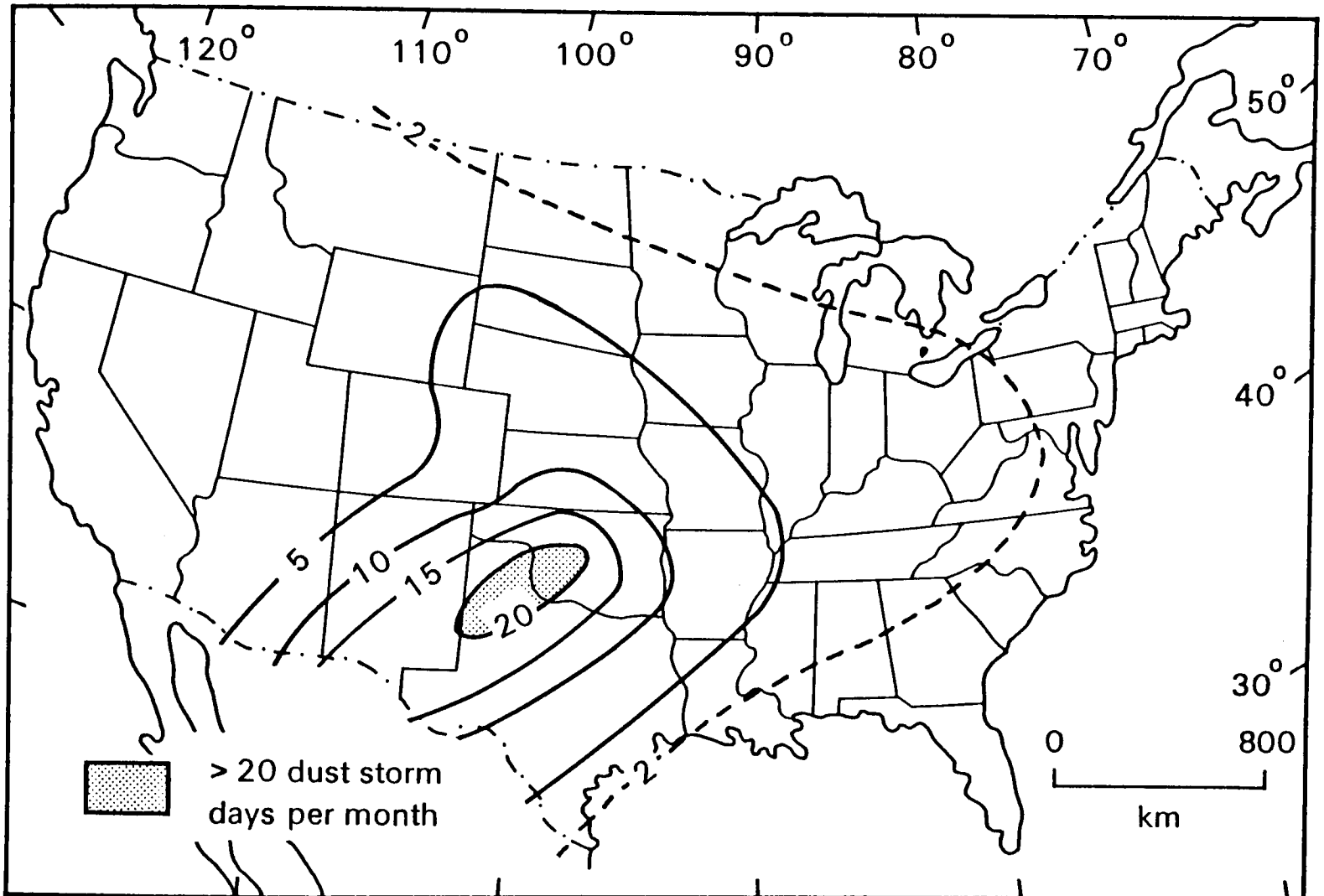


Figure 10.2 Concentration of dust storms in the USA in March 1936, showing extreme localisation on the Great Plains (after Goudie 1978)

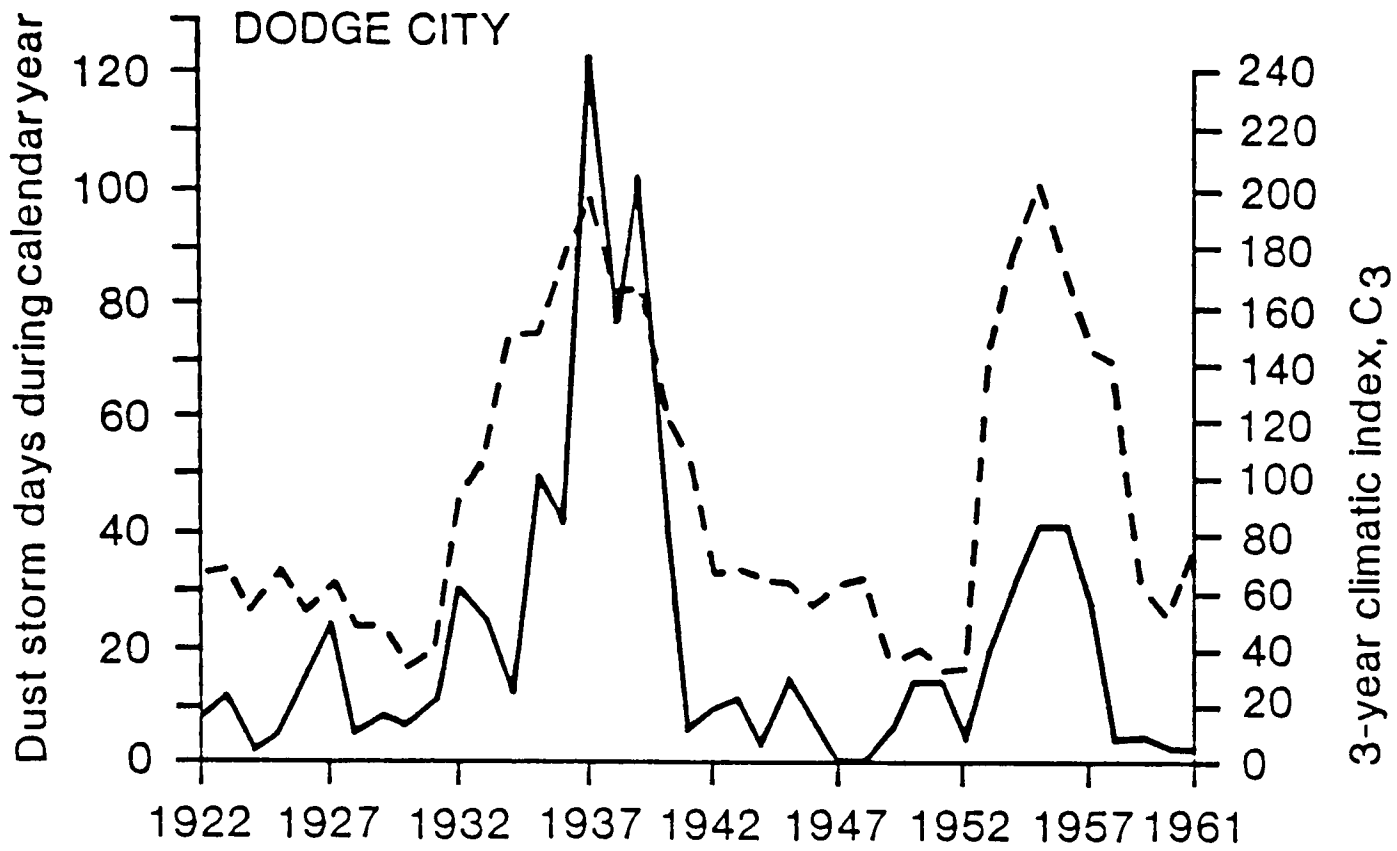


Figure 10.3 Annual dust storm frequencies & values of the climatic index, C (after Chepil et al 1963) at Dodge City (1922-61)

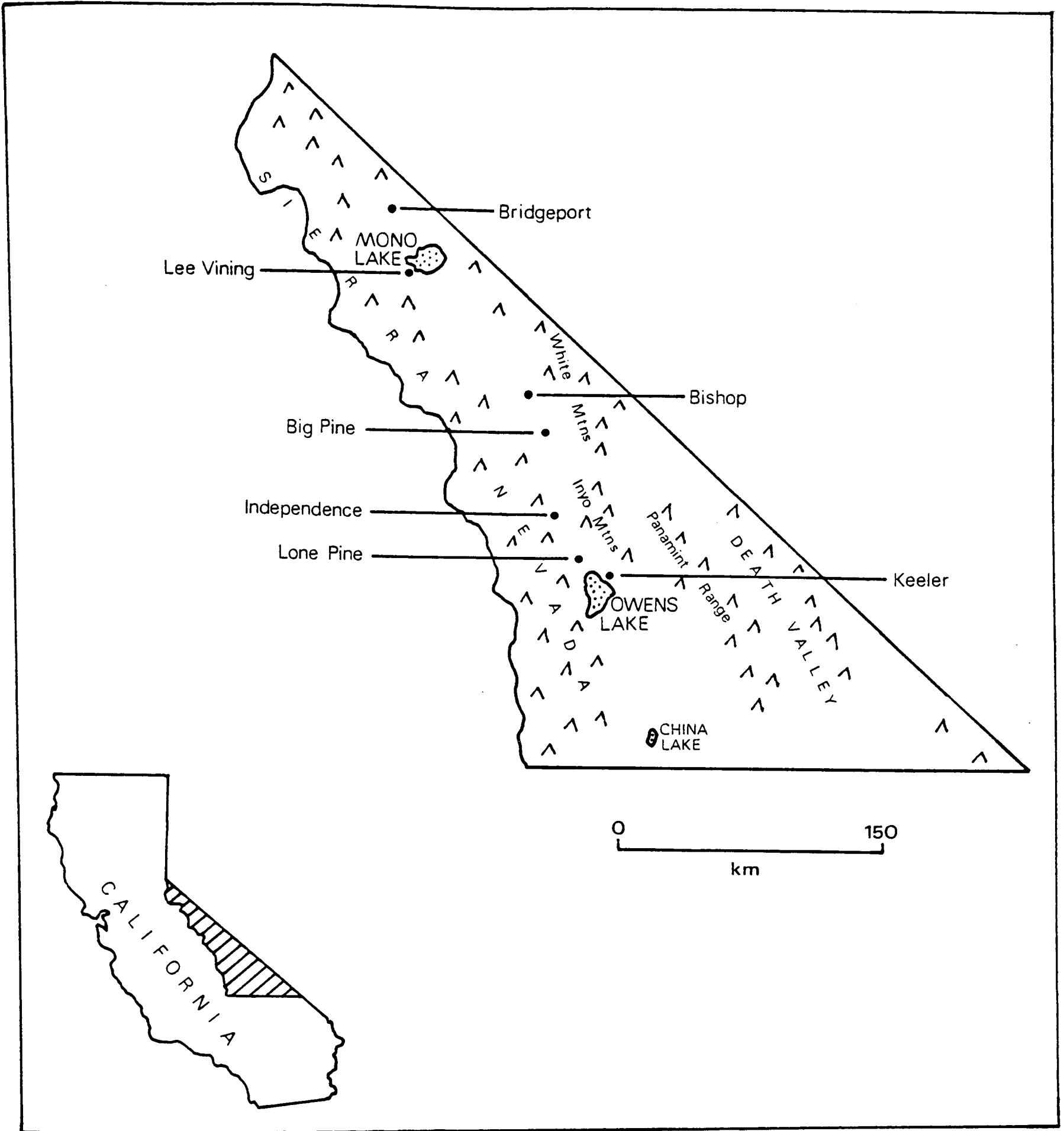


Figure 10.4 Great Basins Air Valleys Basin location map

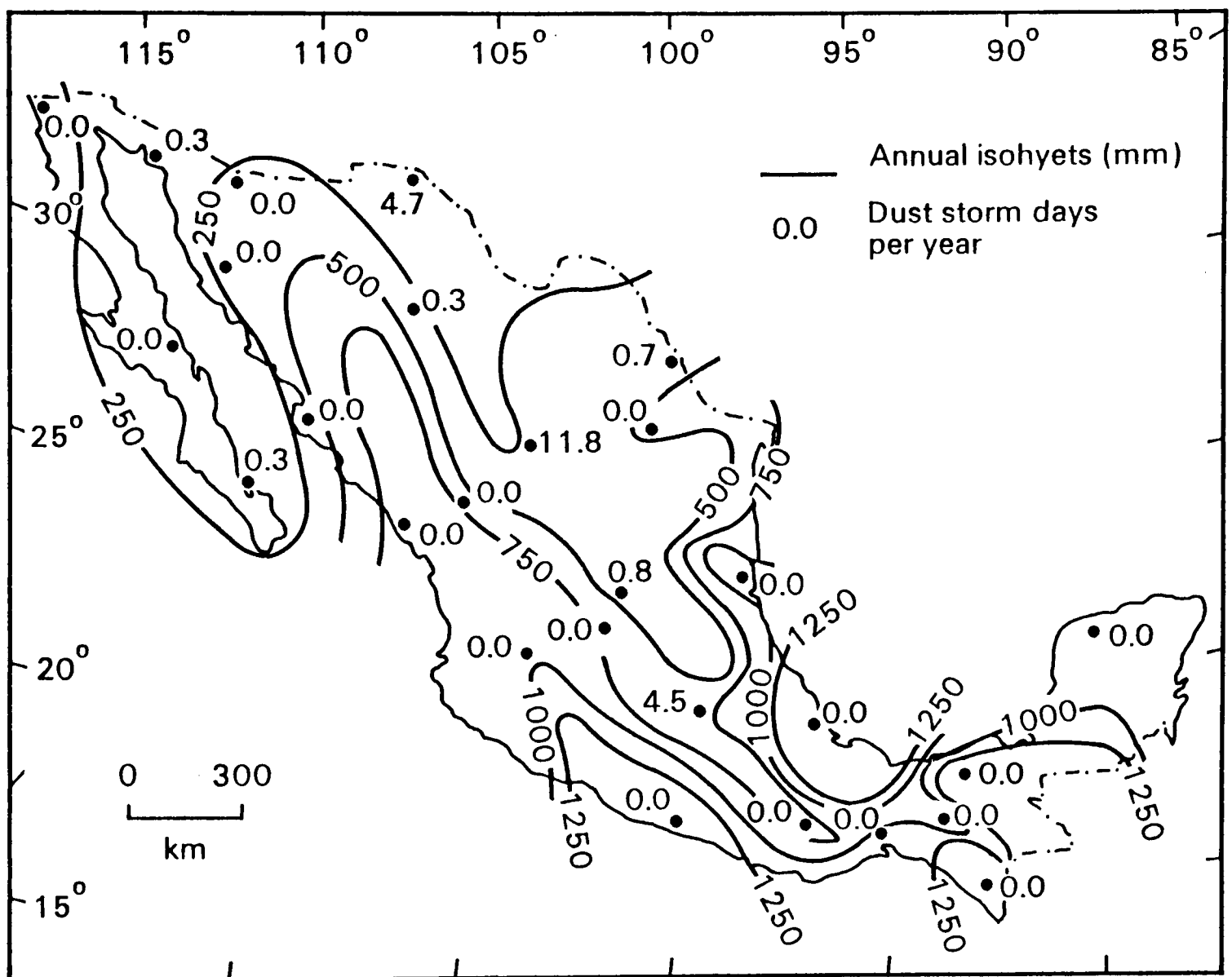


Figure 11.1 Distribution of dust storms in Mexico

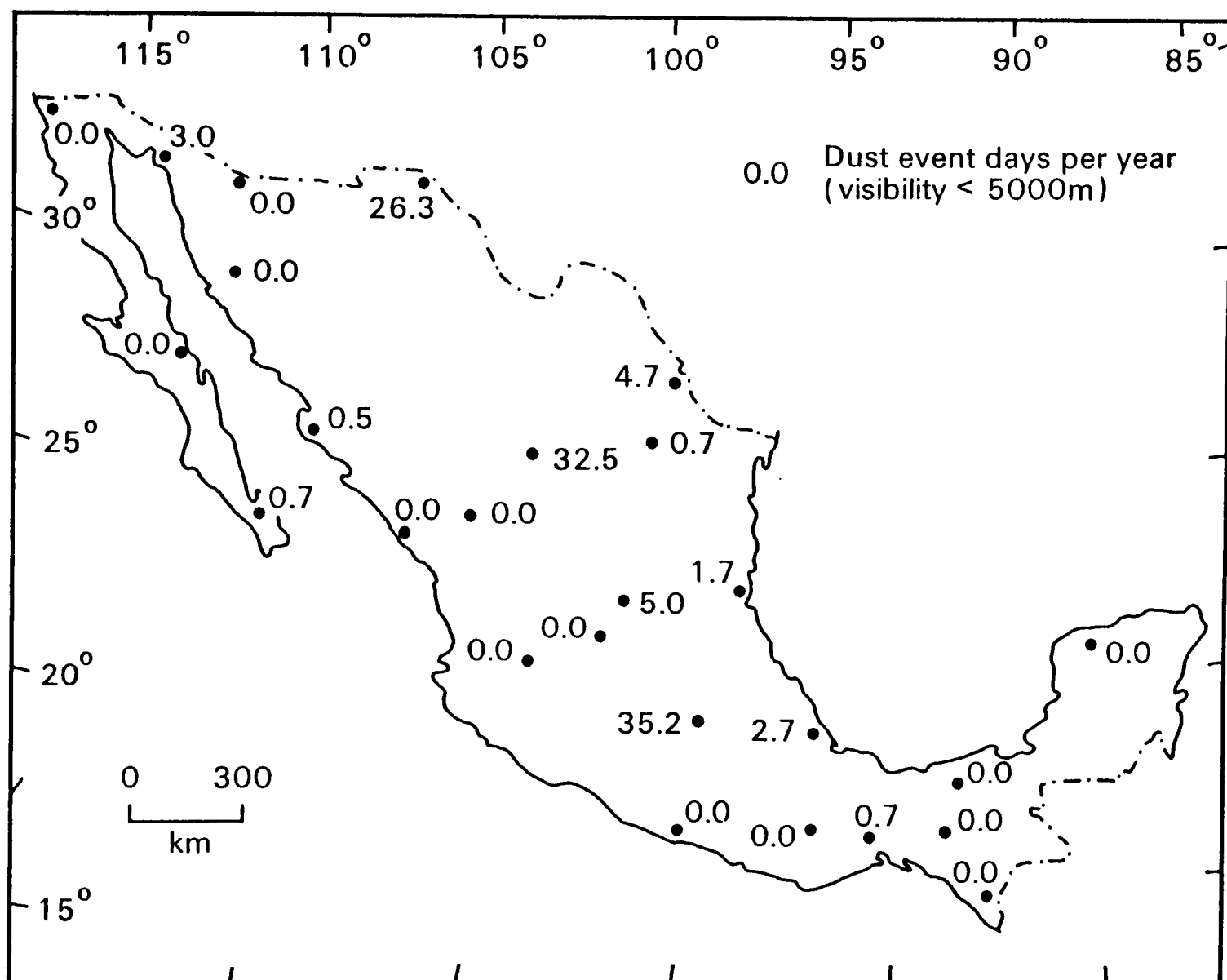


Figure 11.2 Distribution of blowing dust events in Mexico  
(visibility less than 5000m)

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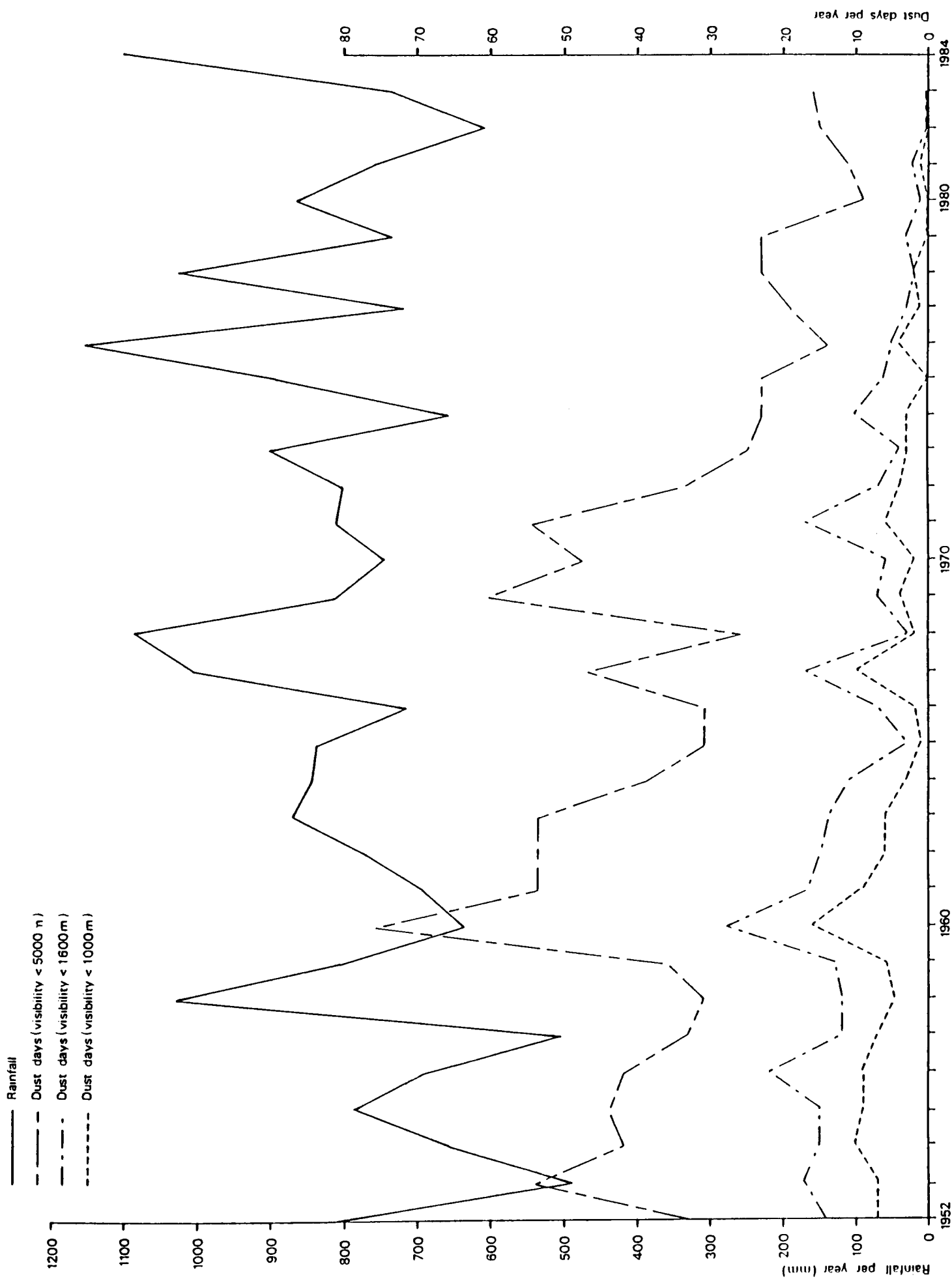


Figure 11.3 Annual rainfall totals & dust day frequencies at three visibility limits for Mexico City (1952-83)

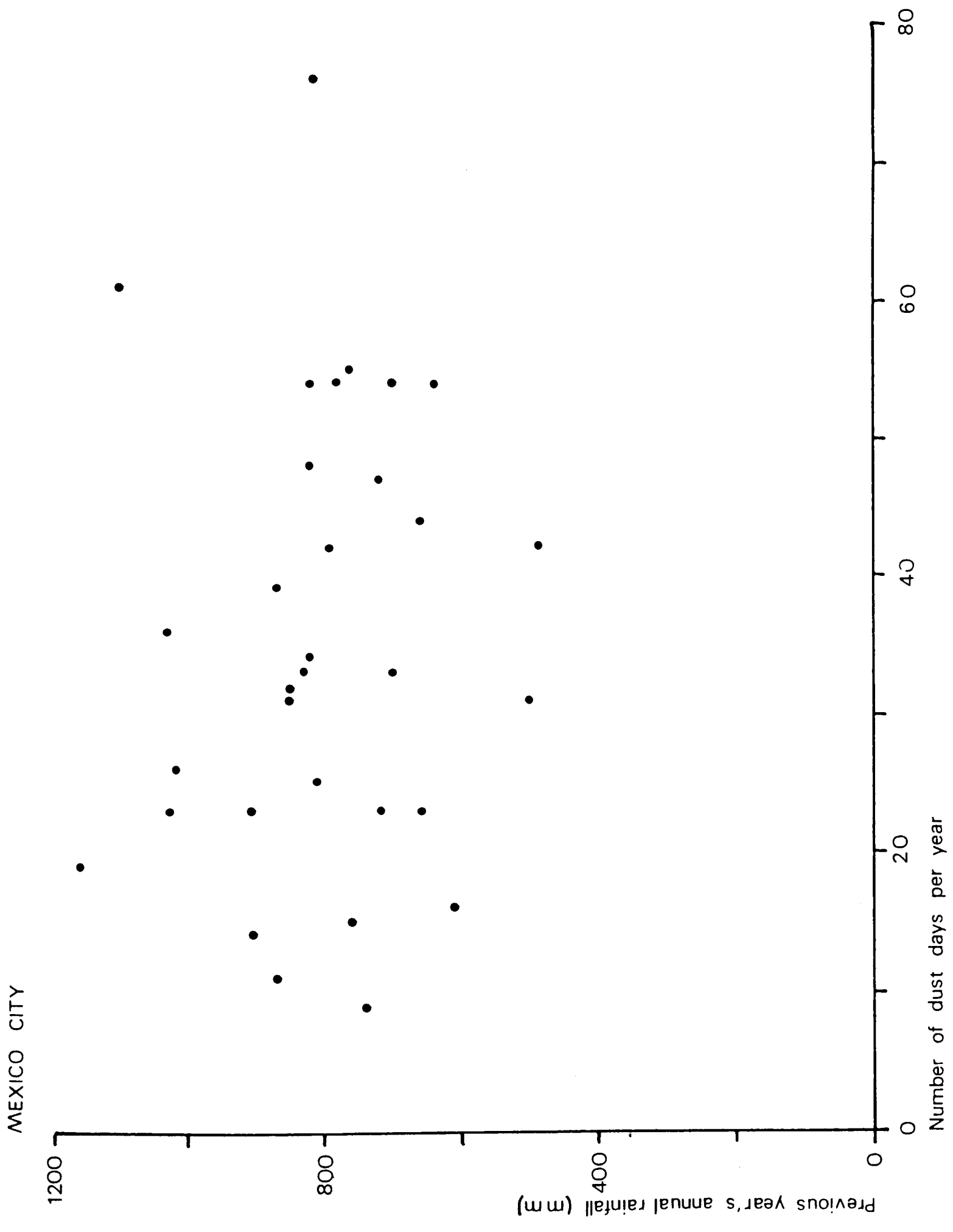


Figure 11.4 Frequency of dust days (visibility less than 5000m) in relation to previous year's rainfall at Mexico City

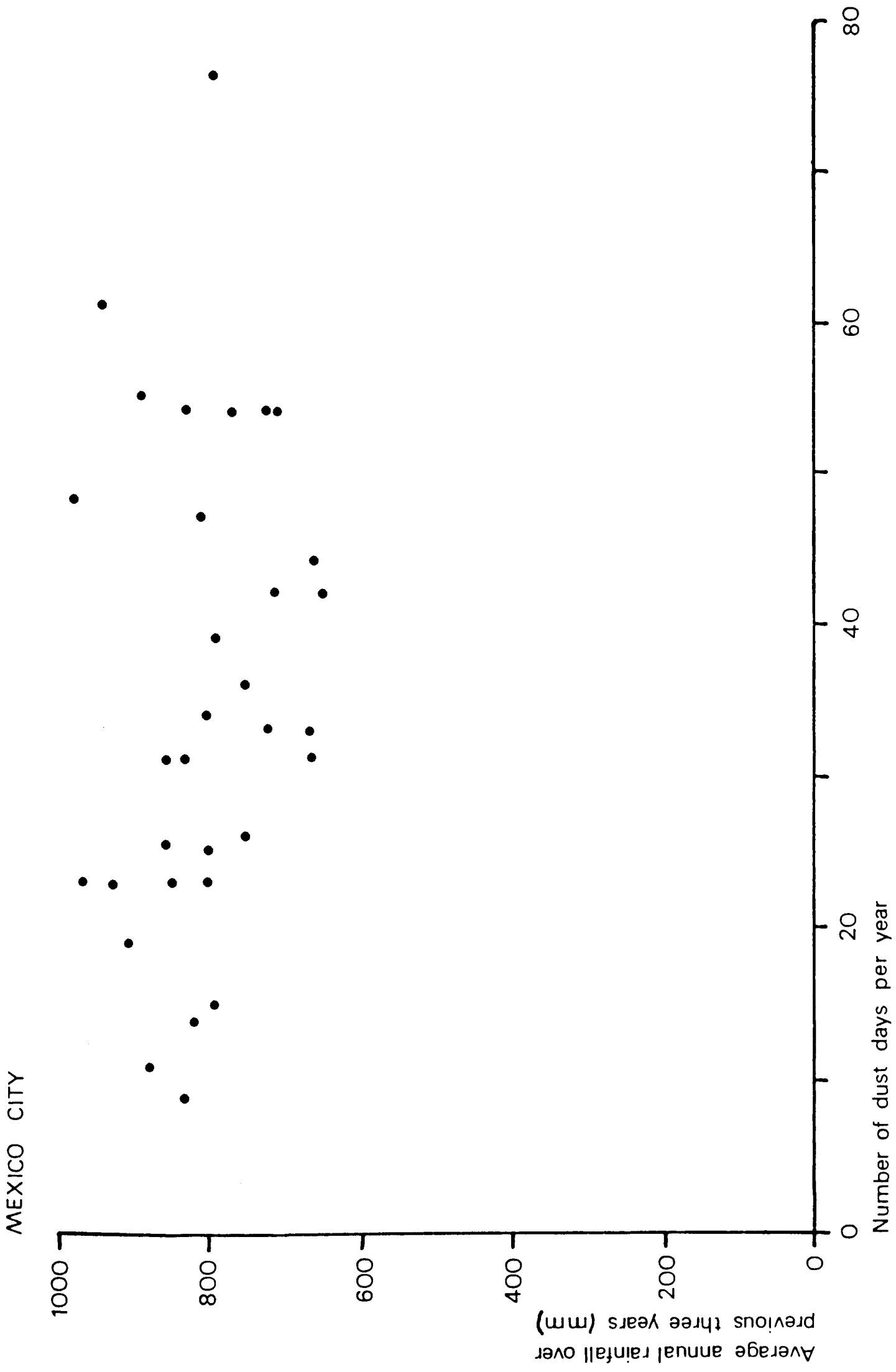


Figure 11.5 Frequency of dust days (visibility less than 5000m) in relation to mean annual rainfall over the previous three years at Mexico City

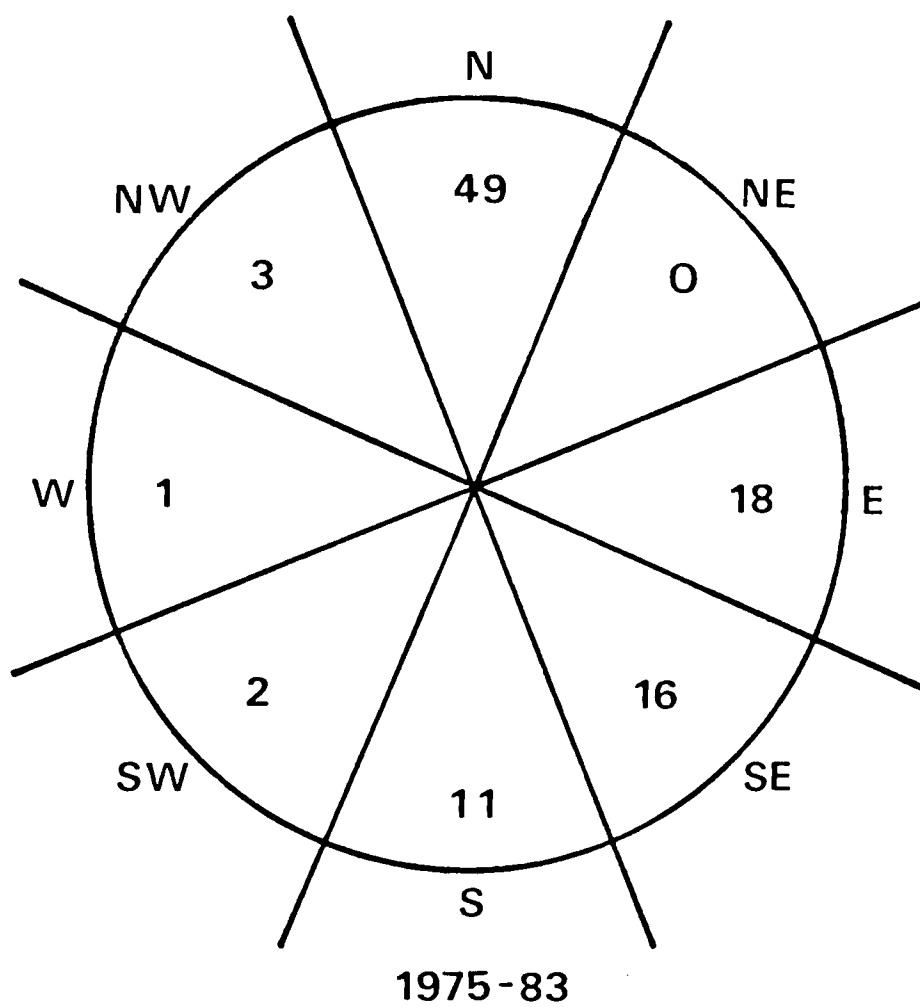
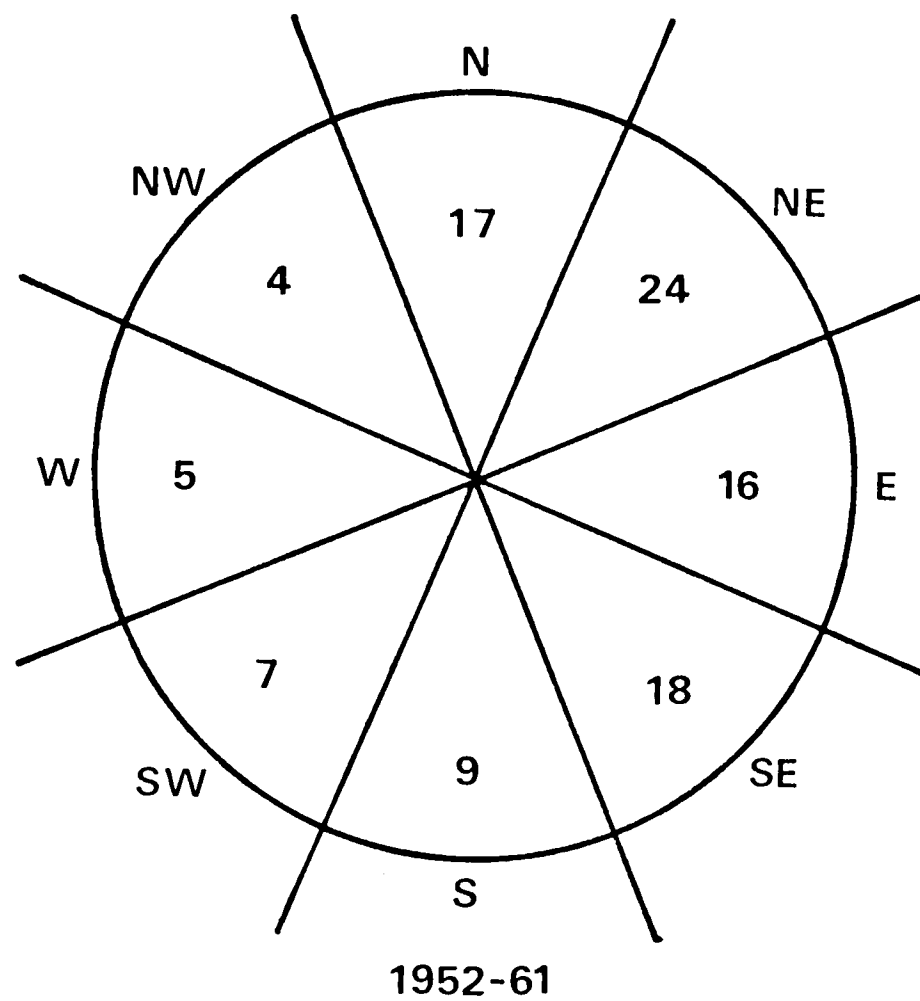


Figure 11.6 Dust events (visibility less than 5000m) by direction at Mexico City. Values are in percent

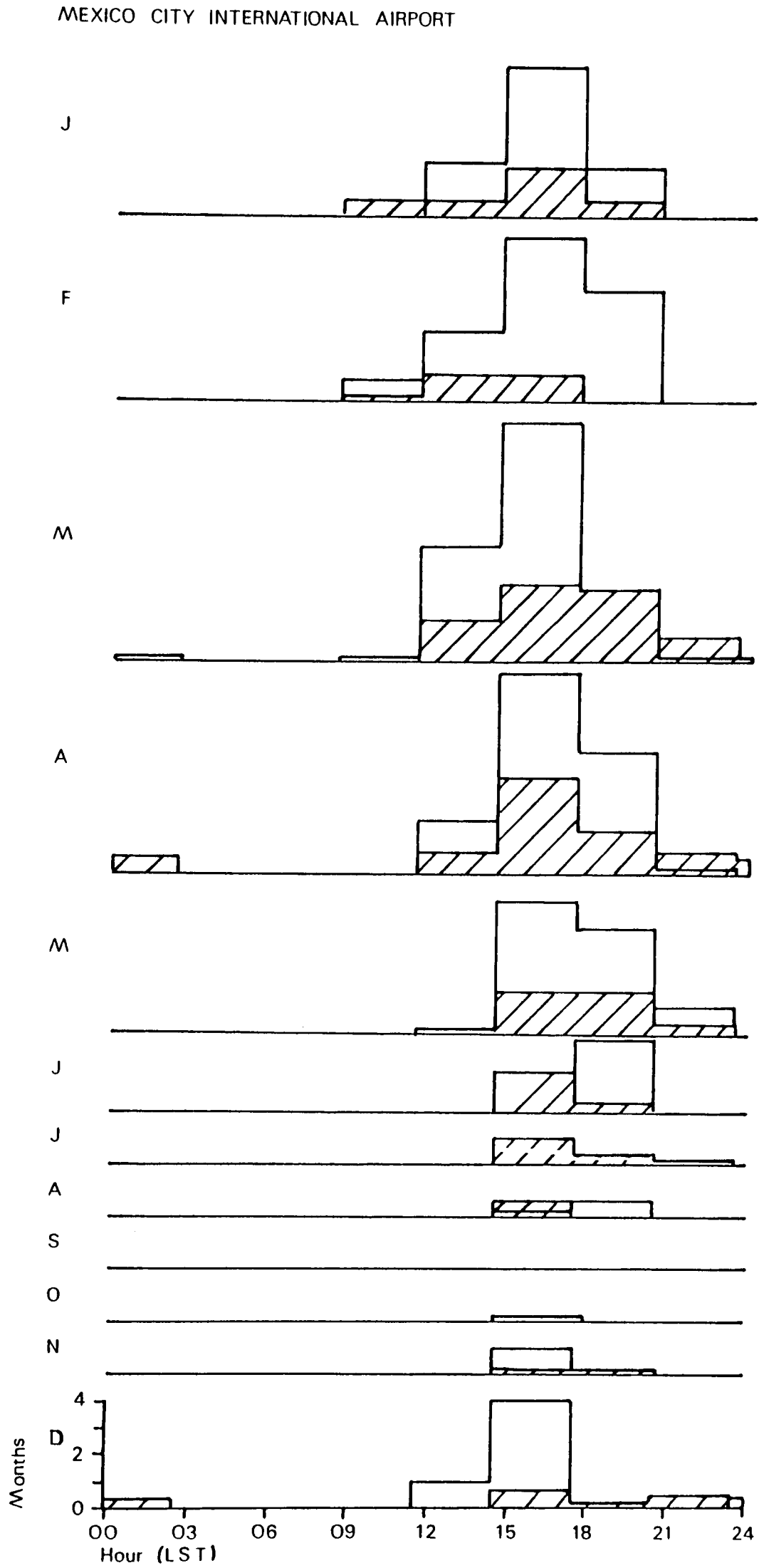


Figure 11.7 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 5000m by dust at Mexico City. Unhatched area for 1952-61; hatched area for 1975-83

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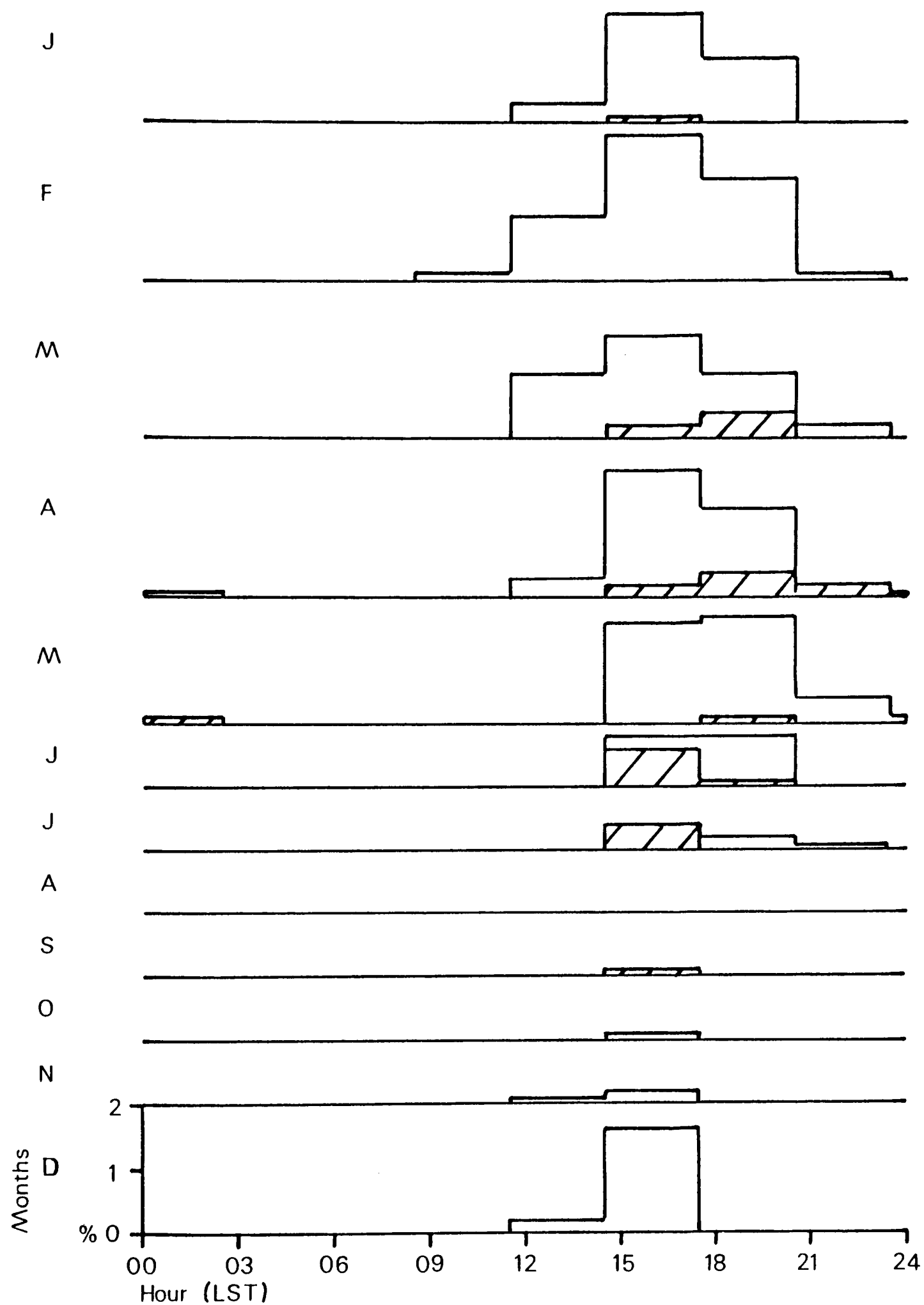


Figure 11.8 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 1600m by dust at Mexico City. Unhatched area for 1952-61; hatched area for 1975-83

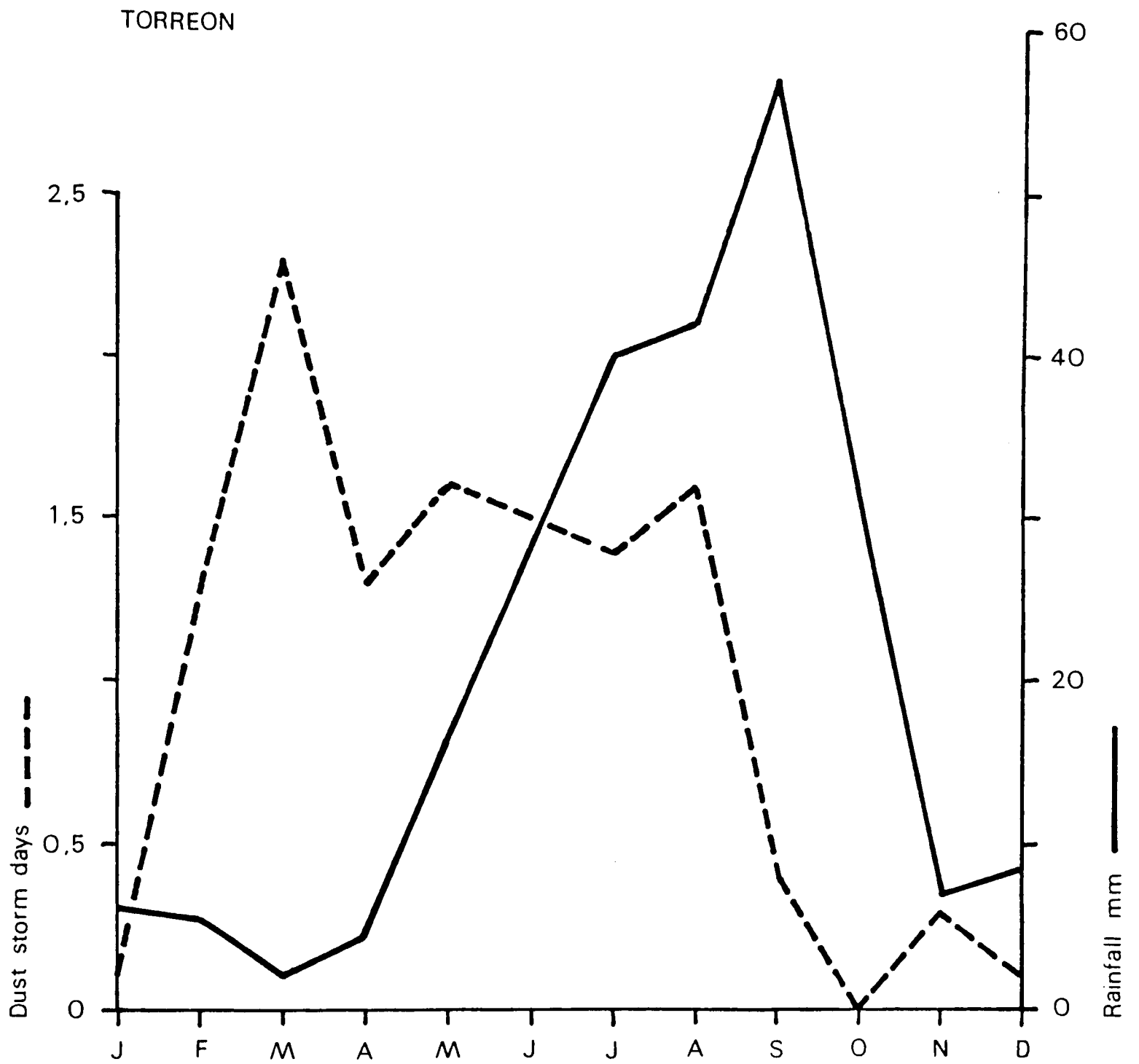


Figure 11.9 Monthly dust storm frequencies & rainfall totals at Torreon, Mexico

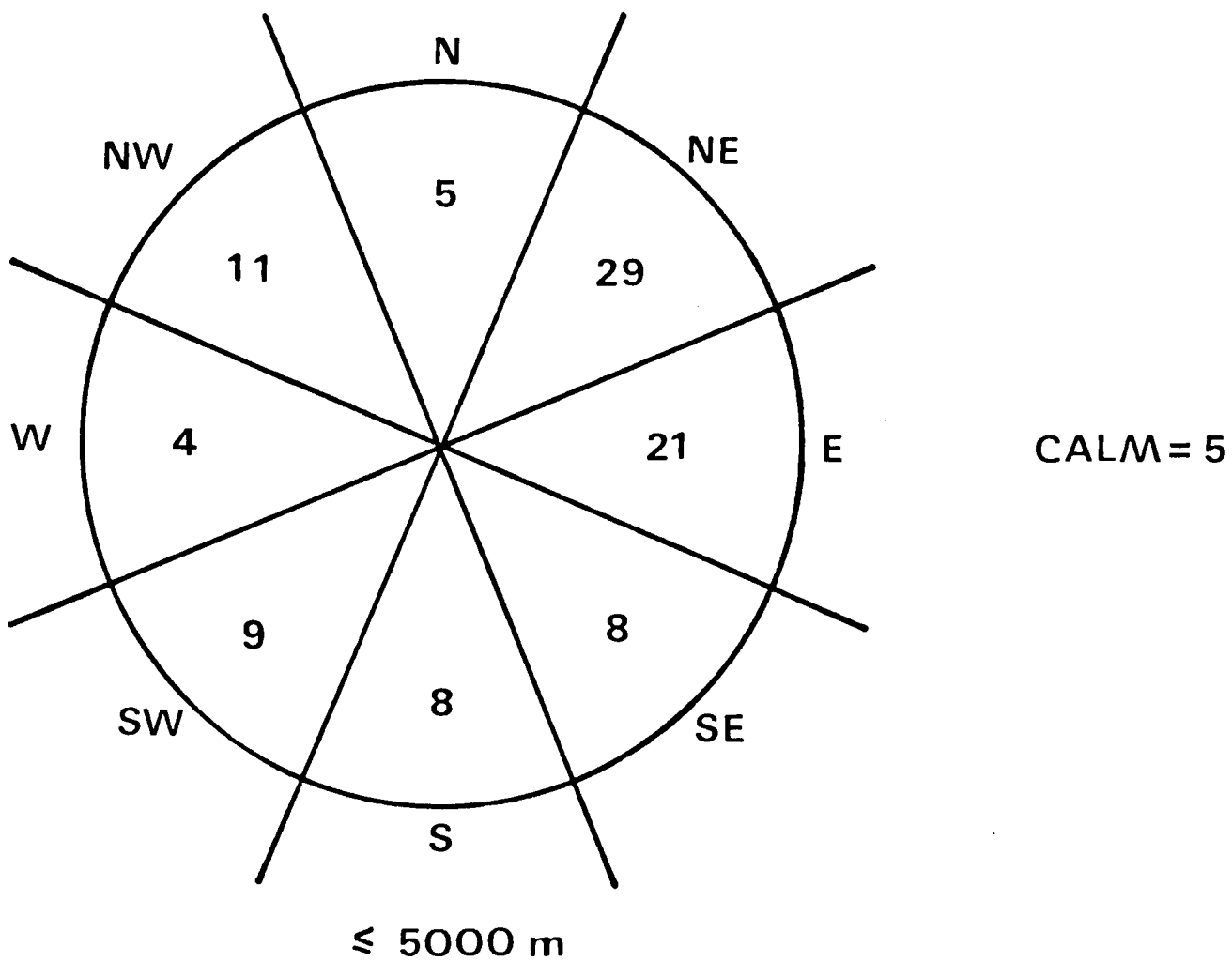
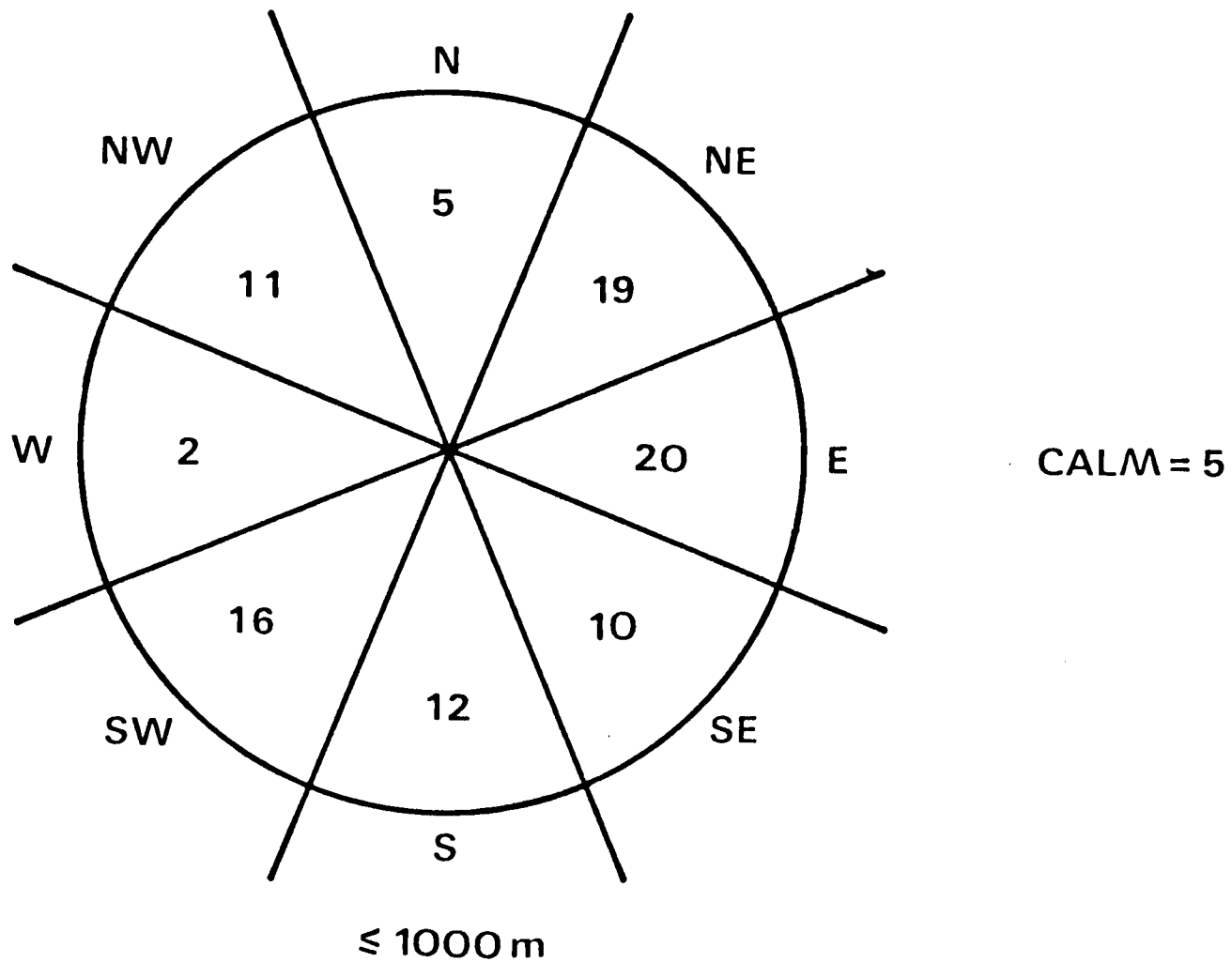


Figure 11.10 Dust events by direction & wind speed at Torreón (1962-69). Values are in percent

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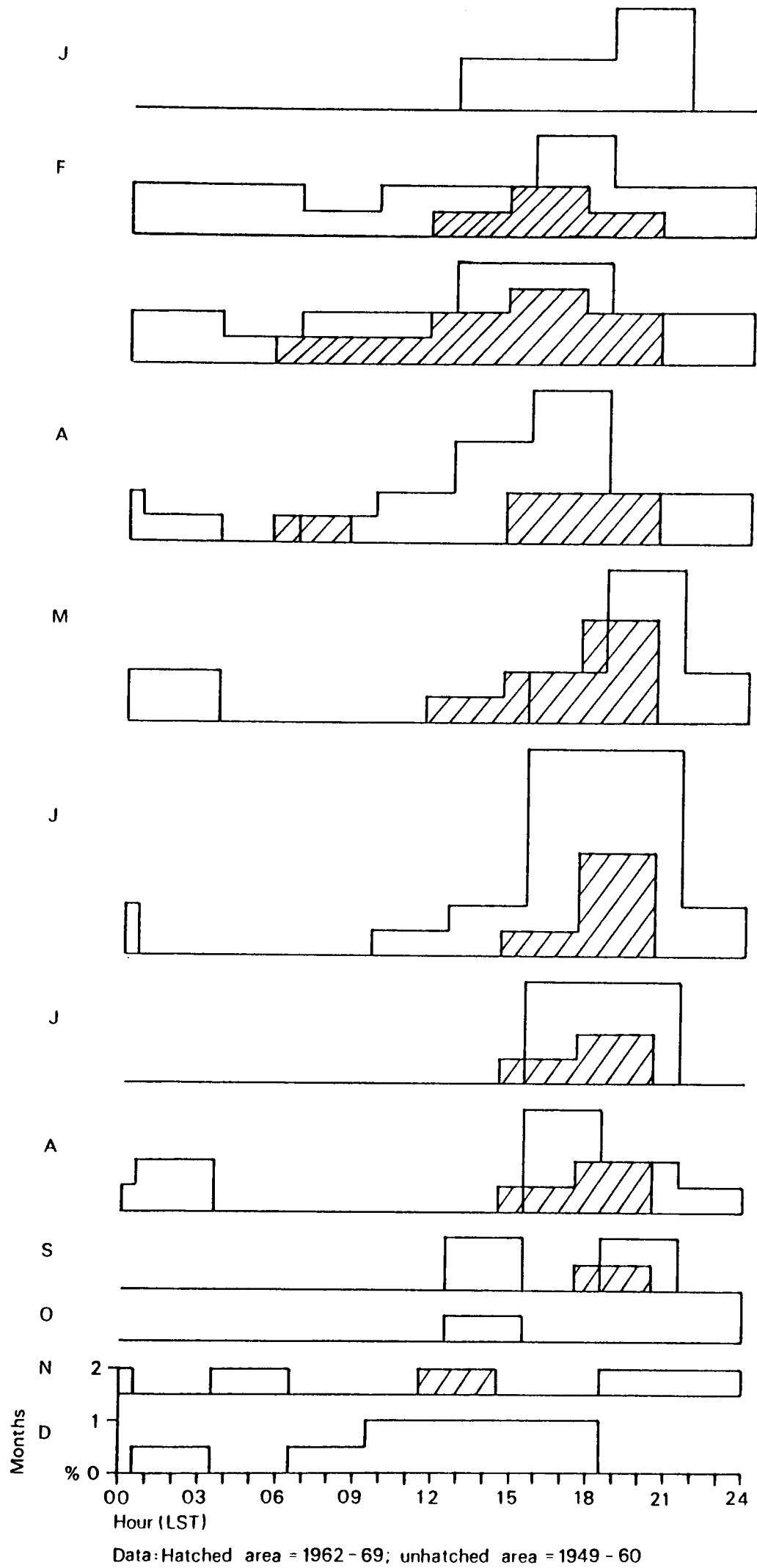
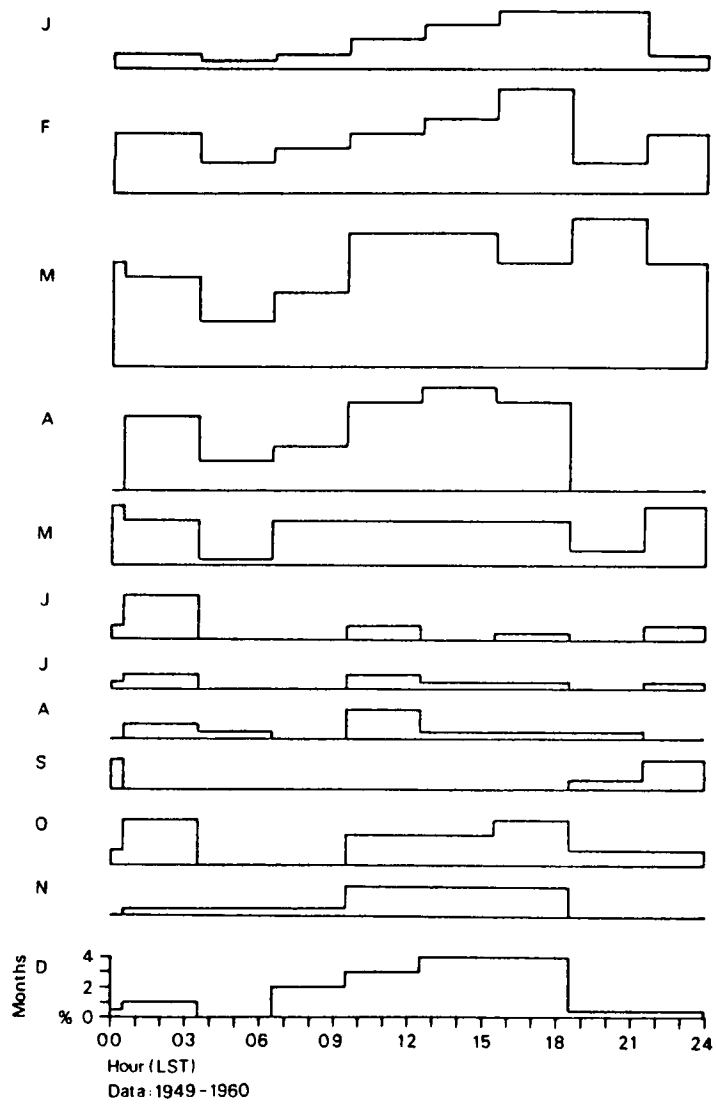
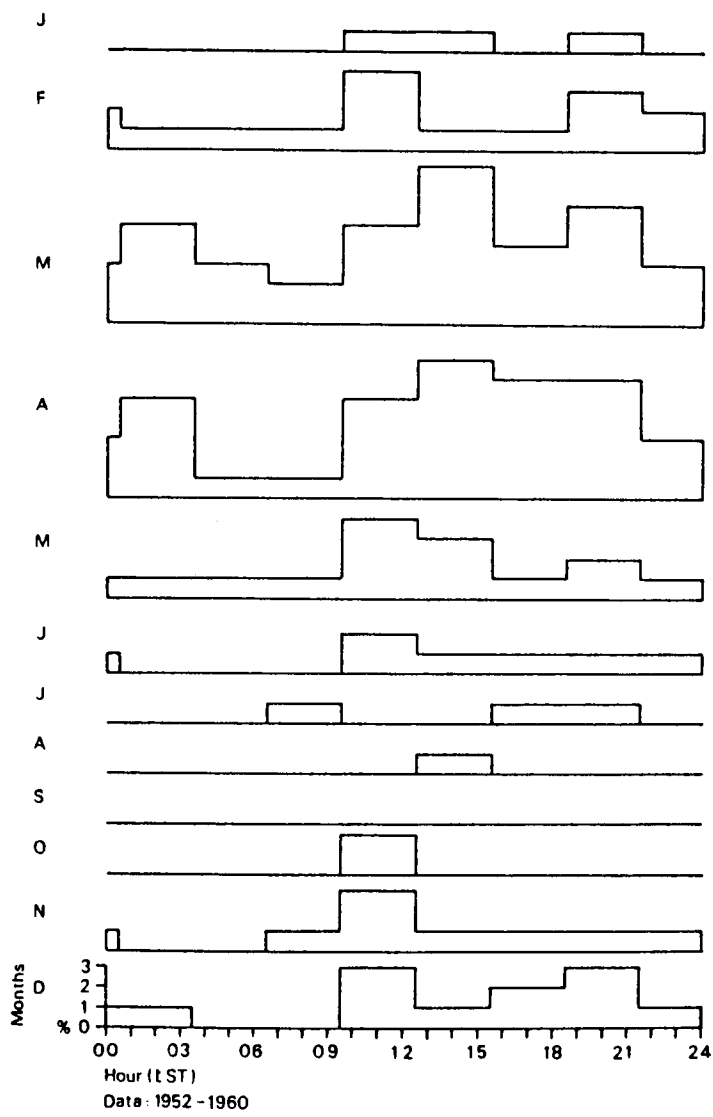


Figure 11.11 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 1000m by dust at Torreon

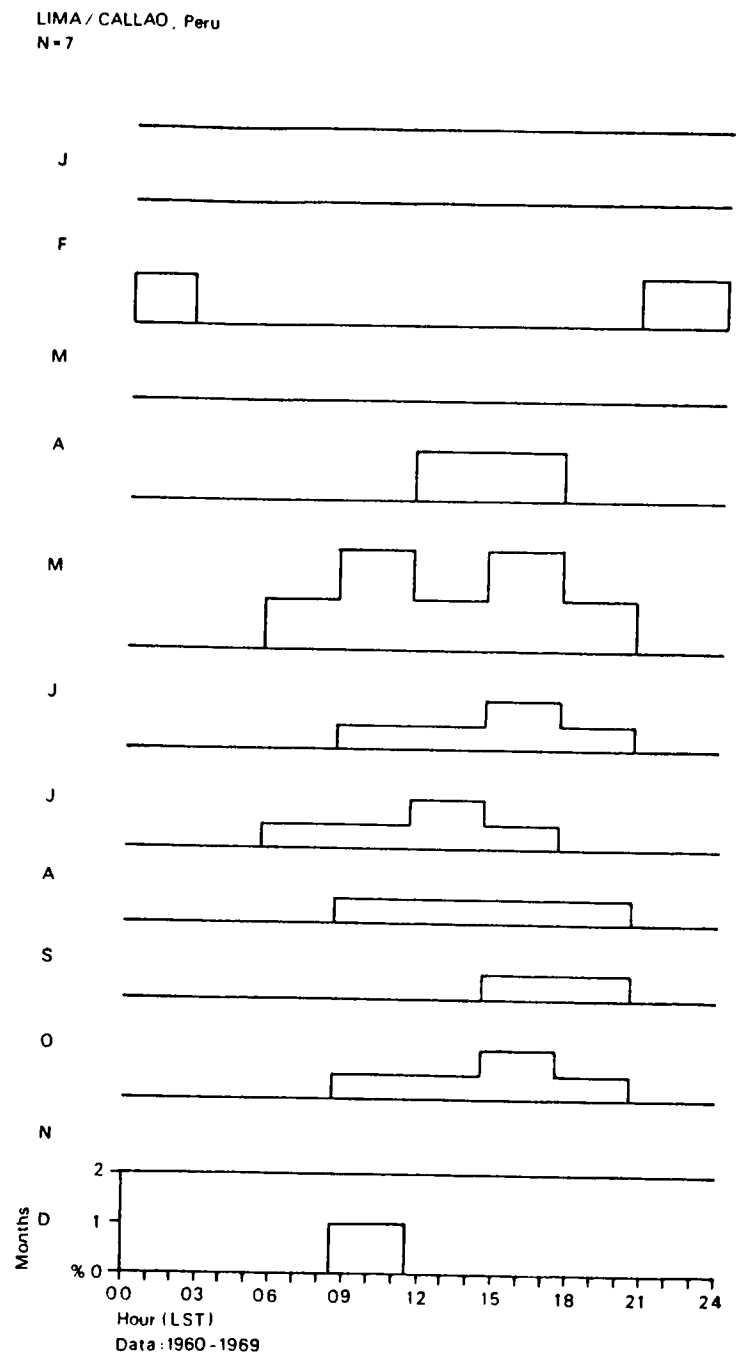
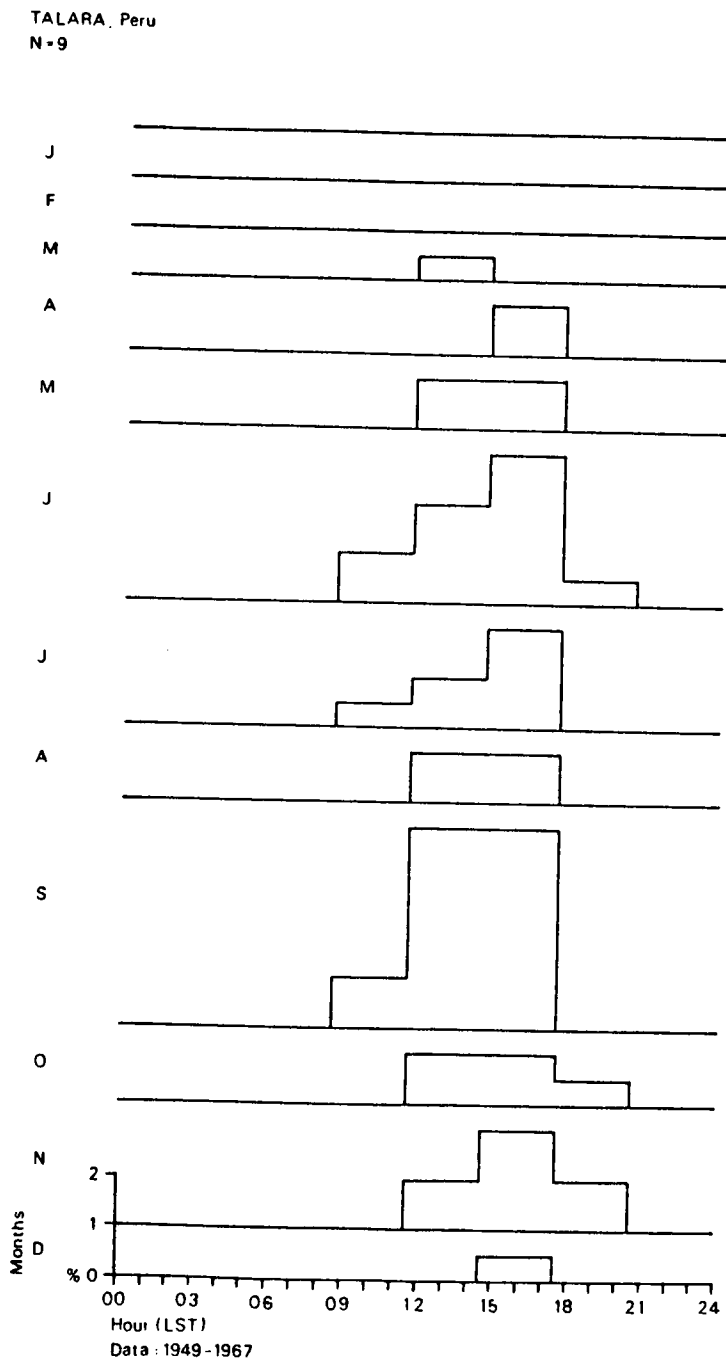
CHIHUAHUA, Mexico  
N = 35

MONCLOVA, Mexico  
N = 68



(N = Average annual no. of occurrences of blowing dust)

Figure 11.12 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 11km by blowing dust at Chihuahua & Monclova, Mexico

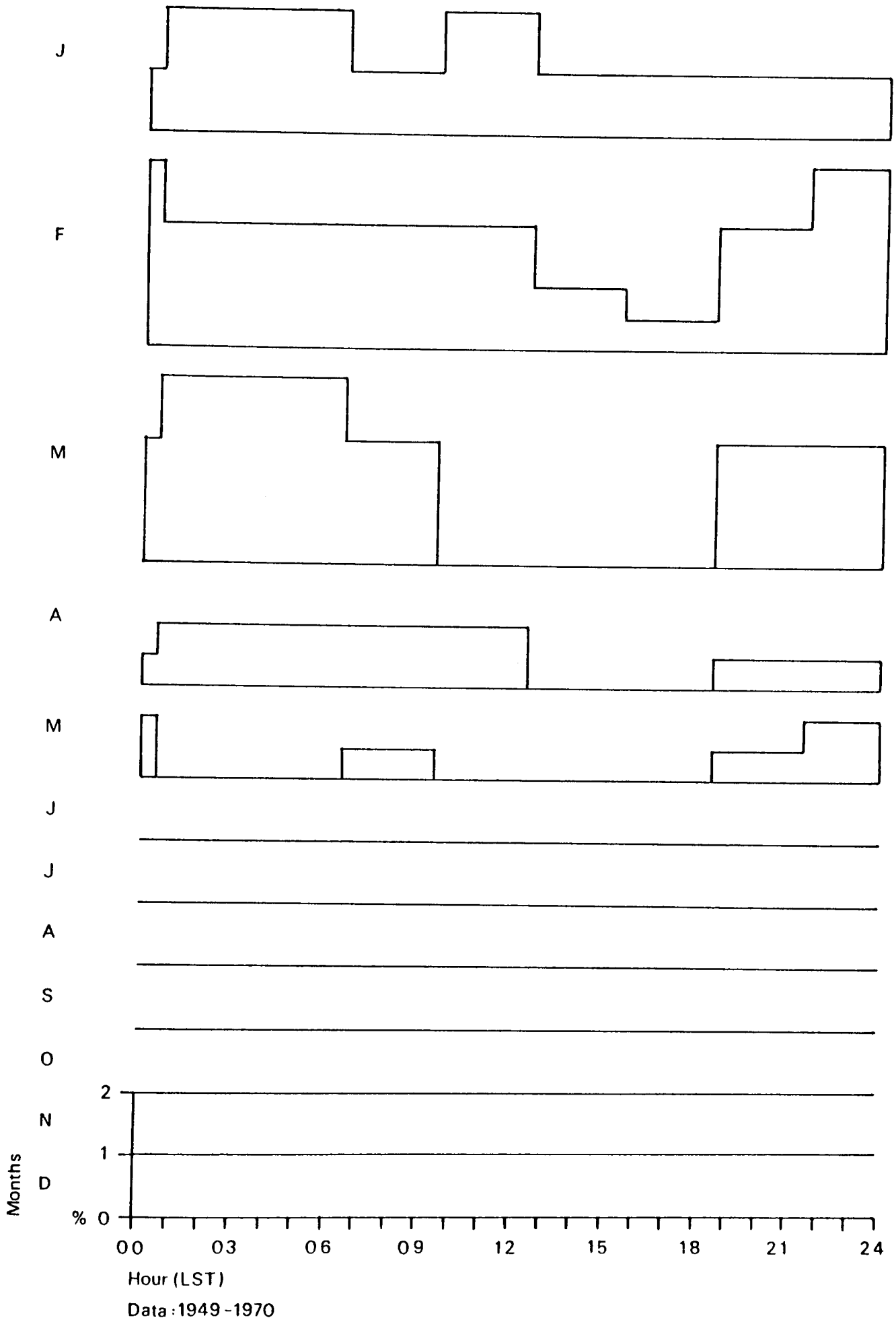


(N = Average annual no of occurrences of blowing dust)

Figure 11.13 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 11km by blowing dust at Talara & Lima, Peru

CARACAS, Venezuela

N=6



(N = Average annual no. of occurrences of blowing dust)

Figure 11.14 Diurnal arithmetic mean frequency percent by month of visibility reduced to less than 11km by blowing dust at Caracas, Venezuela

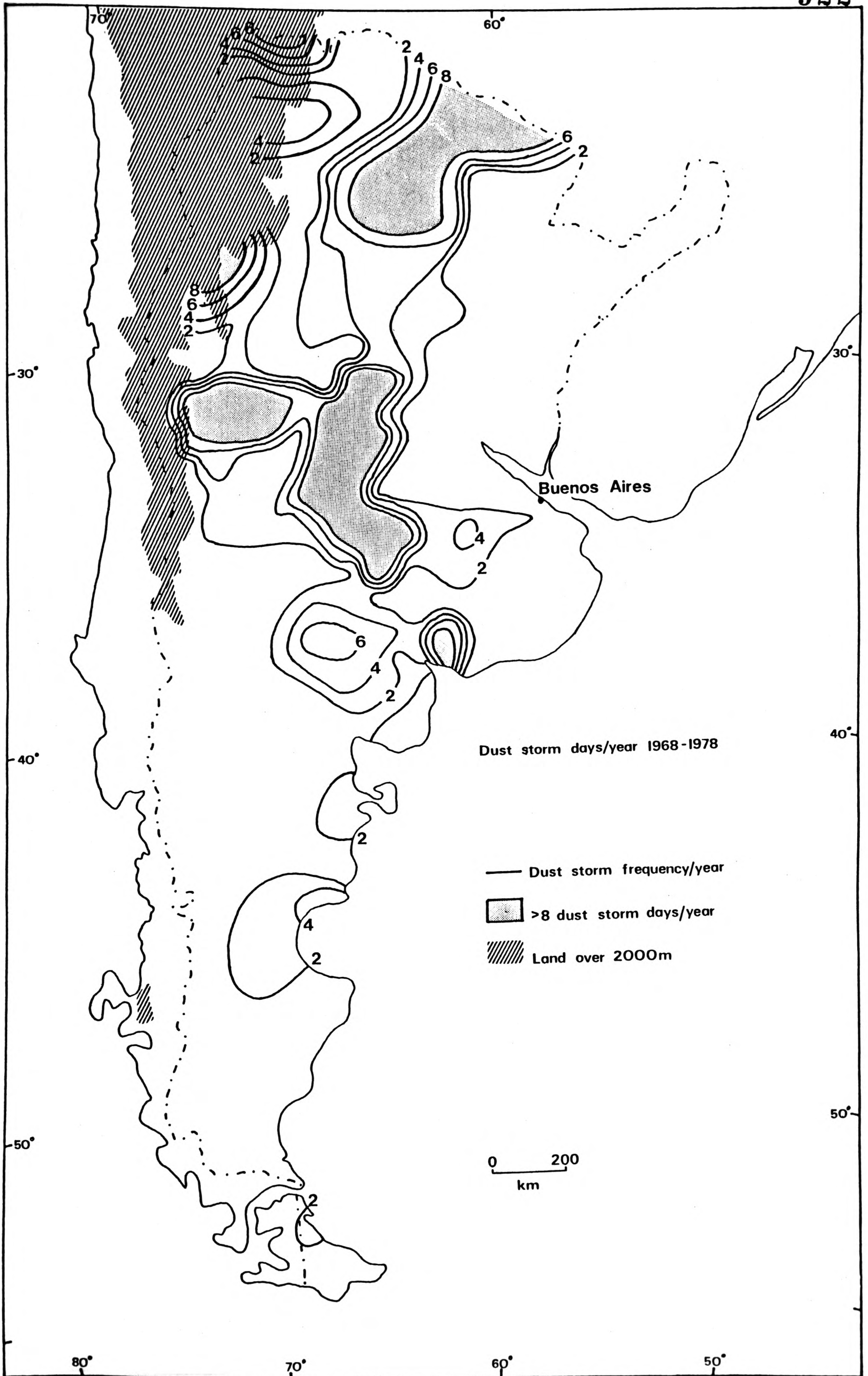


Figure 11.15 Distribution of dust storms in Argentina (Note: no visibility limit used)

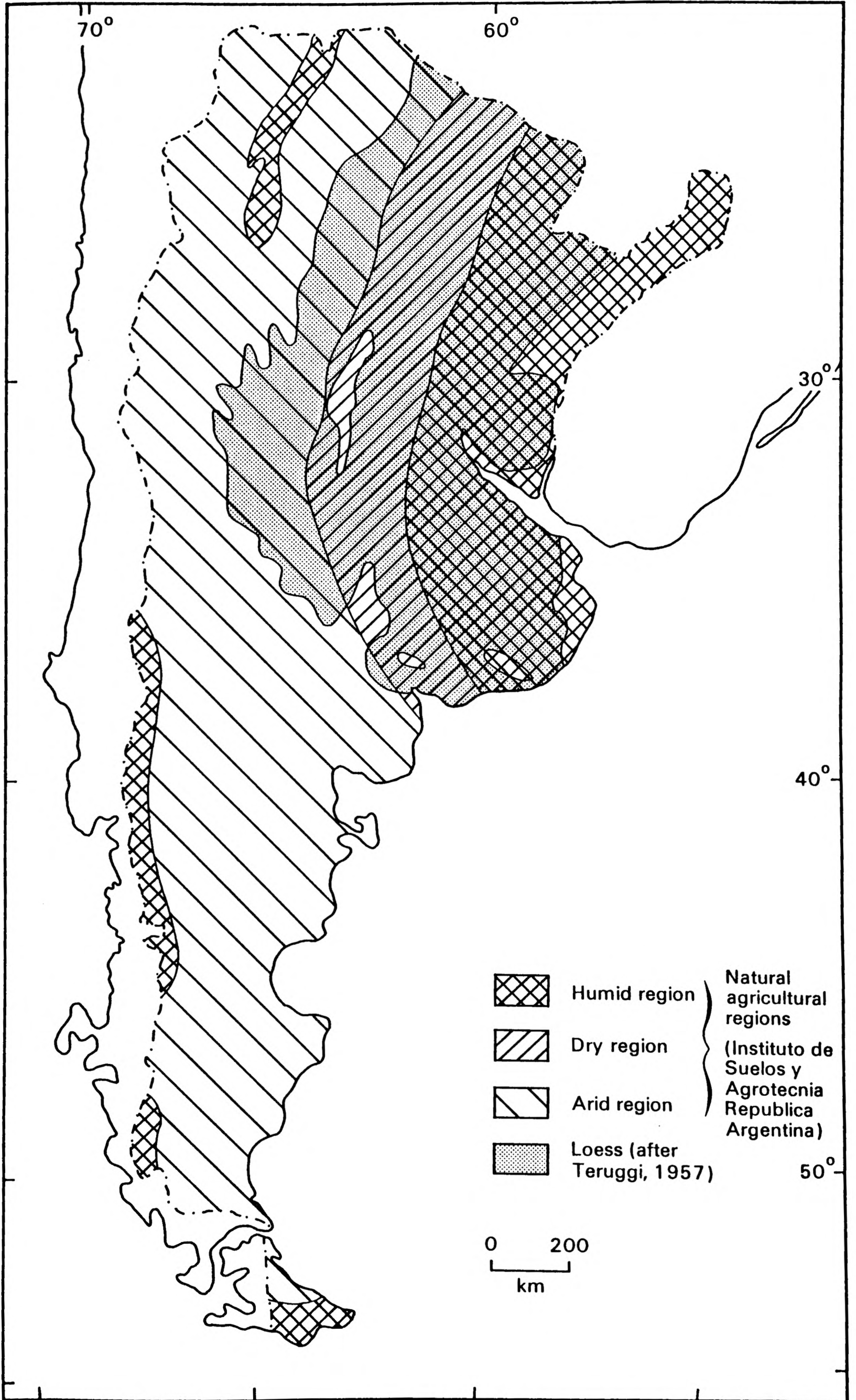
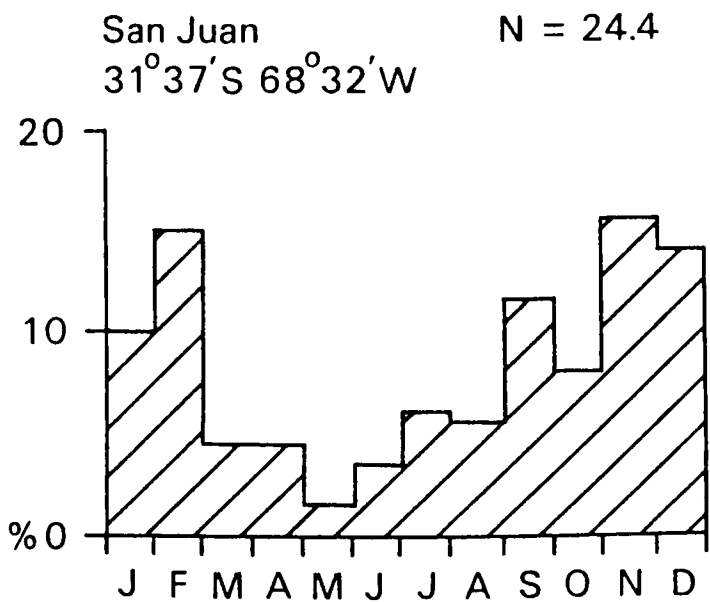
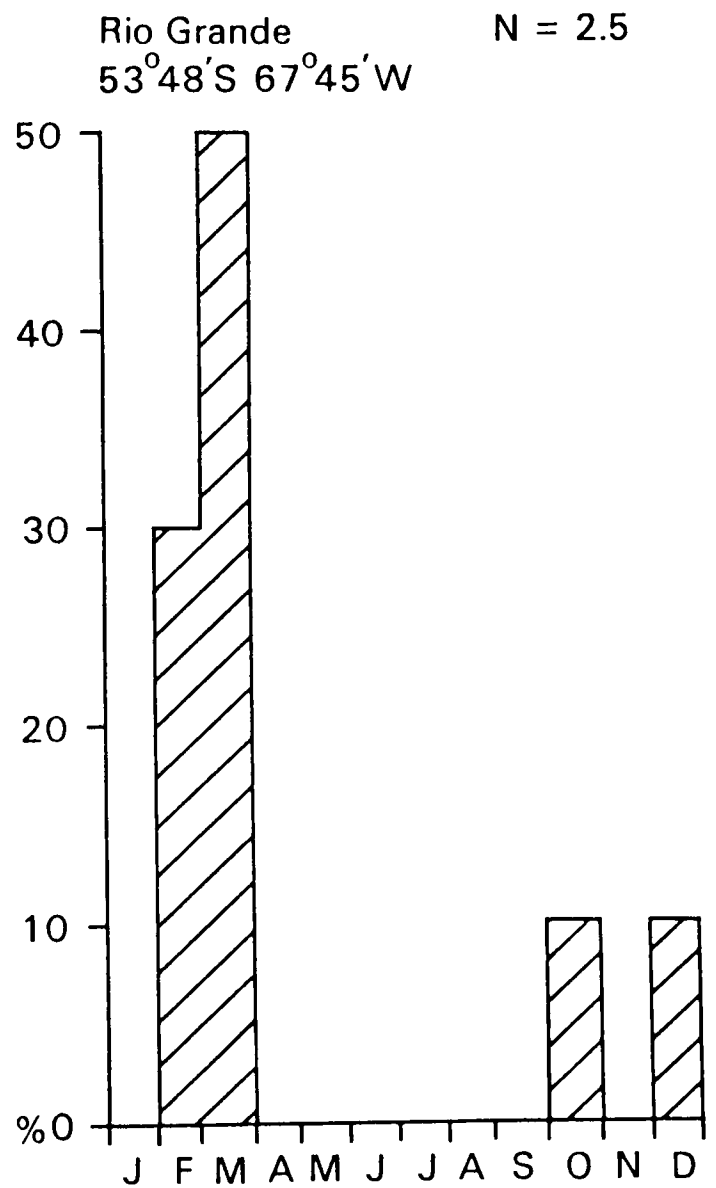
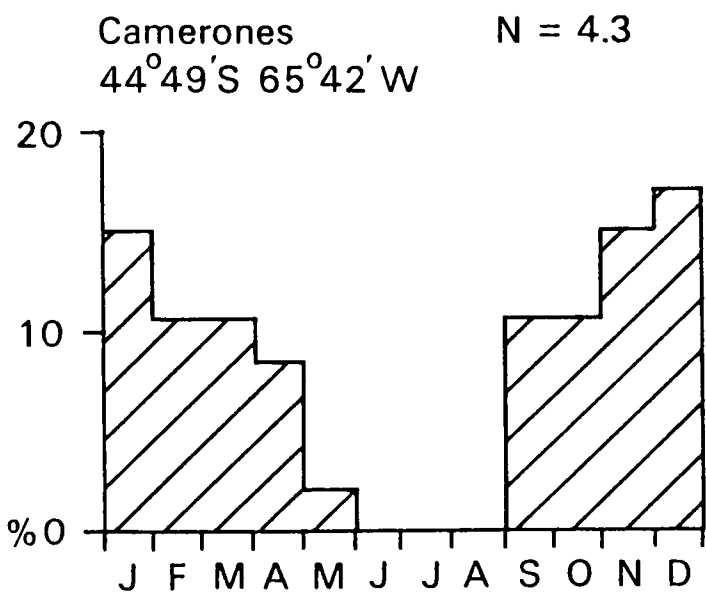
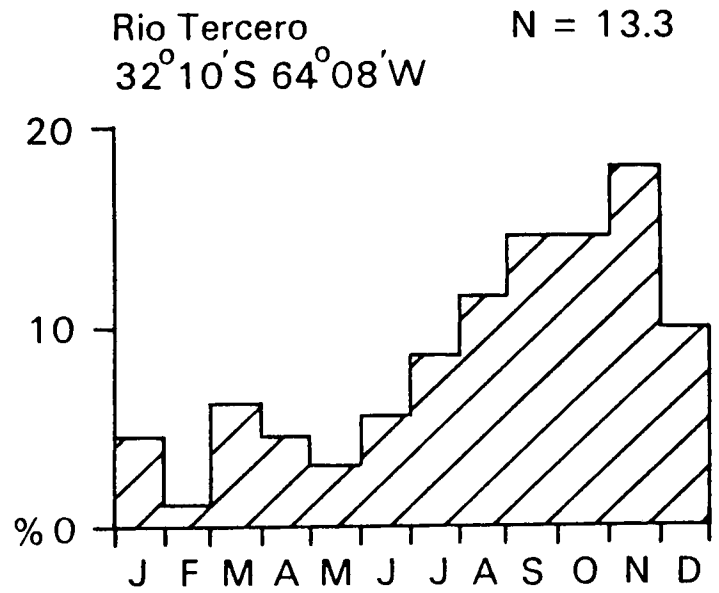
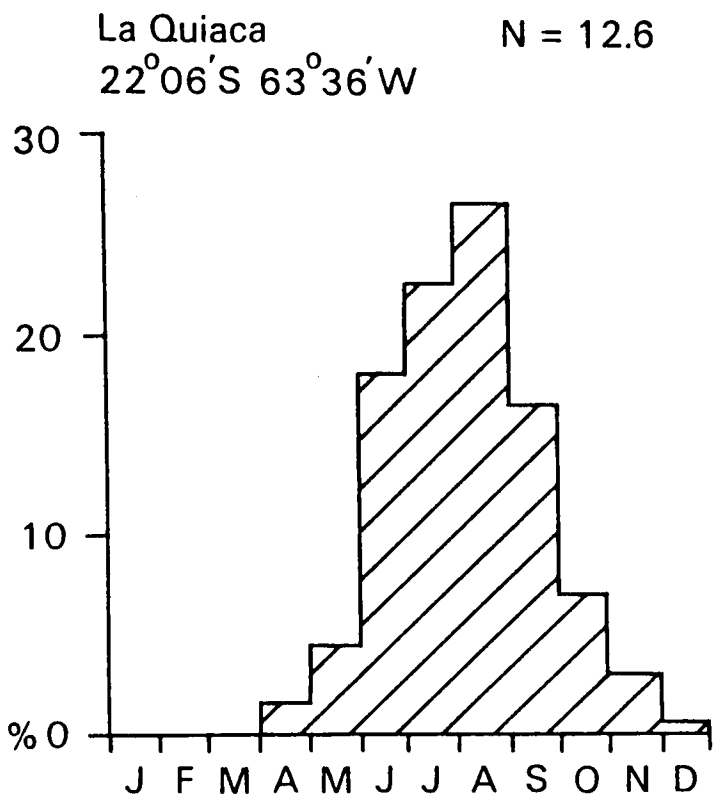


Figure 11.16 Distribution of loess & natural farming regions in Argentina



N = Average number of dust days per year

Figure 11.17 Seasonality of dust storms in Argentina

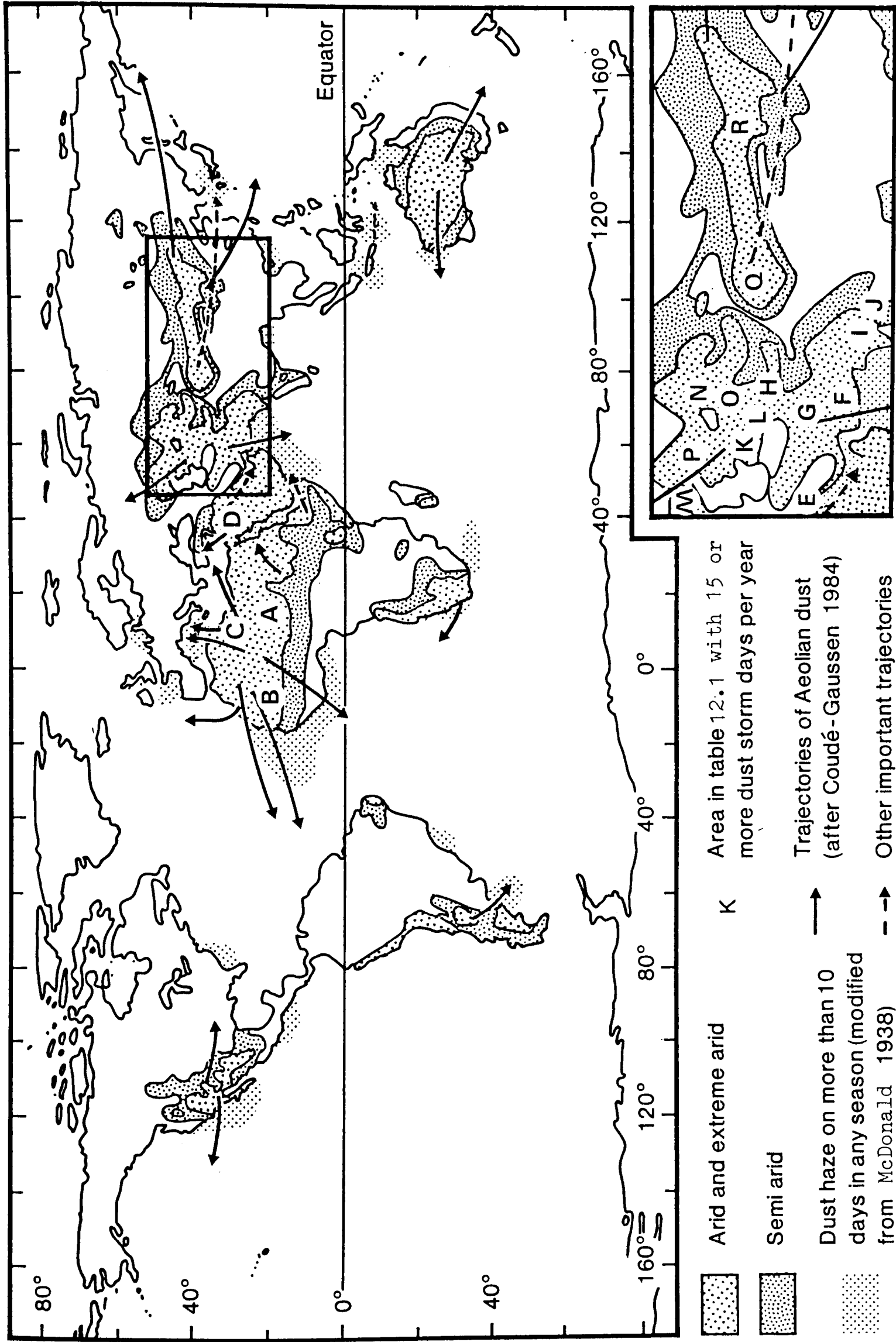


Figure 12.1 Global distribution of major dust storm areas with main seasonal dust trajectories

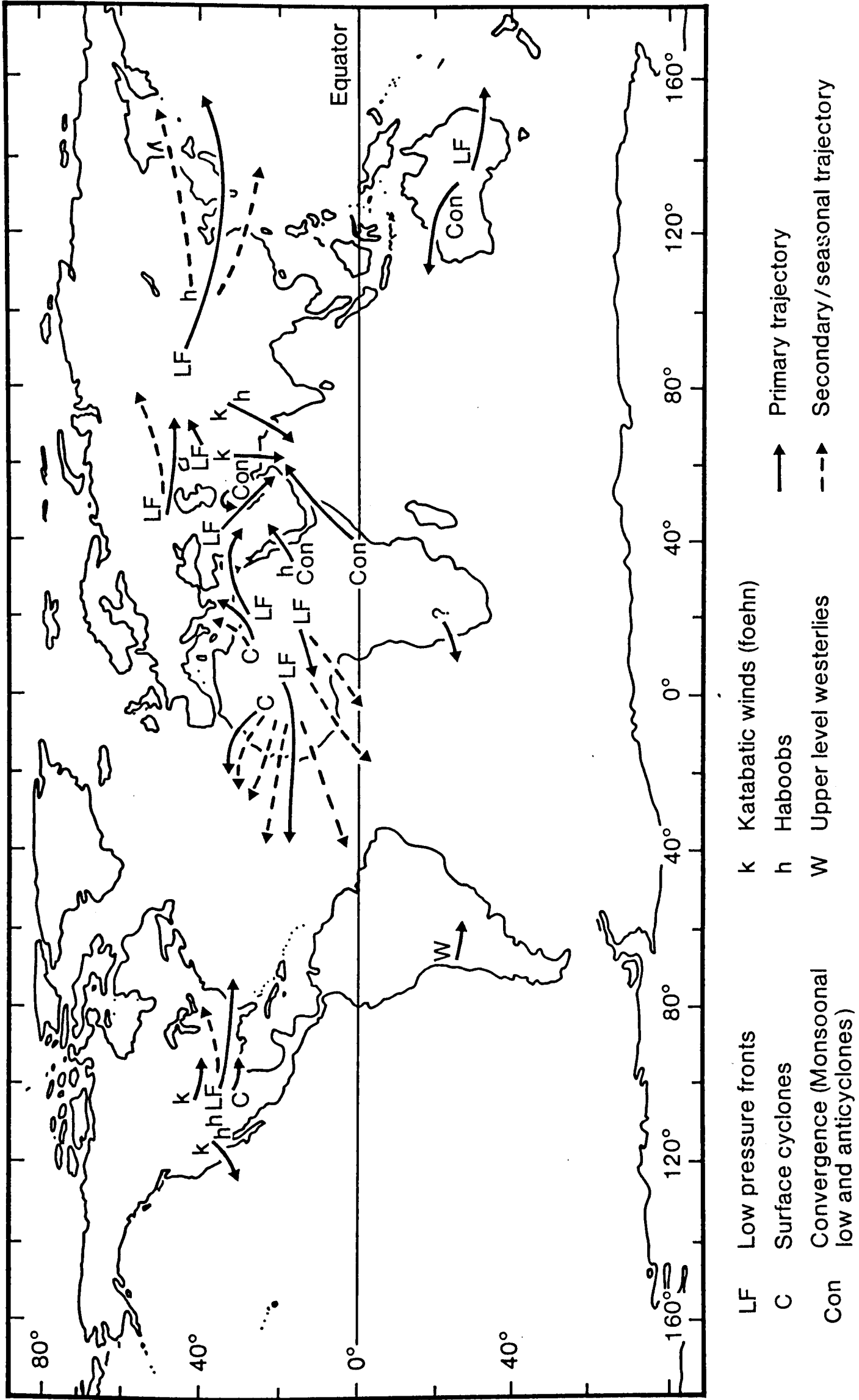


Figure 12.2 Global map of main meteorological systems associated with dust events

## TABLES

Table 1.1 Some environmental consequences and hazards to human populations caused by dust storms (modified after Goudie 1983)

Consequence	Example of recent work
Soil erosion	Cooke <i>et al</i> (1983)
Soil nutrient gain	Syers <i>et al</i> (1969)
Salt deposition & groundwater salinization	Logan (1974)
Playa formation & relief inversion	Khalaf <i>et al</i> (1982)
Sediment input to streams	Goudie (1978)
Case hardening	Conca & Rossman (1982)
Desert varnish formation	Whalley (1983)
Loess formation	Liu <i>et al</i> (1981)
Duricrust development	Summerfield (1983)
Climatic change	Bryson & Baerreis (1967)
Ocean sedimentation	Kolla & Biscaye (1977)
Glacier mass budget alteration	Davitaya (1969)
Ventifact sculpture	Whitney & Dietrich (1973)
Polished rock surfaces, flutes & grooves	Lancaster (1984)
Transport disruption	Houseman (1961)
Disease transmission	Human :Leathers (1981) Plants: Rotem (1965)
Radioactive dust transport	Becker (1986)
DDT transport	Riseborough <i>et al</i> (1968)
Air pollution	Hagen & Woodruff (1973)
Radio communication problems	Martin (1937)
Animal suffocation	Choun (1936)
Rainfall acidity	Stensland & Semorin (1982)
Acid rain neutralisation	Bohn (1985)
Machinery problems	Hilling (1969)
Defense warfare	Agence France Press (1985)
Closing of business	Gillette (1981)
Reduction of property values	Gillette (1981)
Reduction of solar power potential	Reinking <i>et al</i> (1975)
Car ignition failure	Clements <i>et al</i> (1963)
Drinking water contamination	Clements <i>et al</i> (1963)
Electrical insulator failure	Kes (1983)

Table 1.2 Human activities that may lead to increases in dust storm occurrence

Activity	Example of recent work
Ploughing	US Dust Bowl (Worster 1979)
Livestock trampling	Sahel (This work)
Vegetation removal for agriculture	Sahel (This work)
Woodcutting for fuel	Sahel (This work)
Salinization due to poor irrigation	Tricart (1954)
Abandoned cropland	Arizona (Hyers & Marcus 1981)
Lake drainage	Mexico City (This work)
Urban development	Denver, Colorado (Hall 1981)
River channel modification	California (Wilshire 1980)
Roads & utility corridors	California (Wilshire 1980)
Mining	California (Wilshire 1980)
Warfare	North Africa (Oliver 1945)
Economic factors (government policies)	Great Plains (McCauley et al 1981)
Offroad vehicle use	California (Wilshire 1980)

Table 2.1 Processes that produce silt sized particles through operation on larger particles or rock outcrops

Process	Reference
IN SITU	
Salt weathering	Goudie <i>et al</i> (1979) Pye & Sperling (1983)
Chemical solution	Nahon & Trompette (1982)
Frost Weathering	Zeuner (1949) Moss <i>et al</i> (1981)
Stresses induced by moisture	Whalley <i>et al</i> (1982a)
Crushing beneath overlying sand column?	Pye (1983)
Crack-tip stress corrosion?	Pye (1983)
IN TRANSPORT	
Aeolian abrasion	Whalley <i>et al</i> (1982b)
Spalling during fluvial & fluvioglacial transport	Kuenen (1959) Moss <i>et al</i> (1973)
Glacial crushing & grinding	Collins (1979) Sharp & Gomez (1986)

Table 2.2 Examples of Long-Range Transport

Traced from	Traced to	Distance (km)	Reference
AFRICA			
West Africa	Cape Verde Islands	1000+	Jaenicke & Schütz (1978)
West Africa	Barbados	6500	Delany et al (1967)
West Africa	Miami	8000	Prospero (1981)
West Africa	Cayenne	6500	Prospero et al (1981)
Bilma/Faya Largeau	Gulf of Guinea	2000	Schutz (1980)
Tunisia/ Libya	Central Caucasus	5000	Zamorskii (1964)
Libya/Egypt	Negev	2000	Yaalon & Ganor (1979)
Algeria	Britain	2500	Wheeler (1986)
Algeria/Tunisia	Italian Peninsula	1000+	Prodi & Fea (1979)
NE Sudan	E Mediterranean	2500	This work
Horn of Africa	Makran coast	3000	Wells (pers. comm. 1985)
Namib	S Atlantic	4000	Parkin et al (1972)
MIDDLE EAST			
Lower Mesopotamia	Sharjah, UAE	1000	This work
Arabian Peninsula	Turkmenistan	1500	Nalivkin (1983)
S-W ASIA			
Thar Desert	SE Asia	4500	Prospero (1981)
USSR			
W Kazakhstan	Gorky	1200	Kes (1983)
S Ukraine	Sweden	1500	Kes (1983)
Caucasus	E Europe	3500	Lisitzin (1972)
E ASIA			
Loess Plateau	Japan	2500	Ishizaka (1973)
Gobi Desert	Barrow, Alaska	10,000	Rahn et al (1981)
Mongolian Gobi	Hawaii	10,000	Shaw (1980)
AUSTRALIA			
Central Australia	Singapore	3500	Durst (1935)
S Australia	New Zealand	3500	Kidson & Gregory (1930)
N AMERICA			
Great Plains	Mid-Atlantic	3500	McCauley et al (1981)
Nebraska & Dakotas	Washington DC	2500	Hand (1934)

Table 2.3 Examples of annual dustfall deposition rates  
(modified after Goudie 1983)

Location	Reference	Rate (tonnes/km <sup>2</sup> /year)
Northern Nigeria	McTainsh & Walker (1982)	137-181
Cairo	Kolkila (1975)	114-410
Corsica	Loÿe-Pilot et al (1986)	14
Jeddah	Behairy et al (1985)	13-109
Kuwait	Safar (1980)	55
Negev	Yaalon & Ganor (1975)	50-200
Caspian Sea	Kukal (1971)	39.5
SW USA	Table 10.2 (This work)	1.4-125.8
Mexico City	Jauregui (1973)	less than 10- more than 50

Table 2.4 Methods used for dust monitoring and identification of source areas

Dust characteristic	Selected Reference
Mass size distribution	Prospero et al (1970)
Mineralogy & Elemental composition	Paquet et al (1984)
Oxygen isotopes	Clayton et al (1972)
Thorium isotopes	Hirose & Sugimura (1984)
Lead isotopes	Turekian & Graustein (1984)
Rb-Sr isotopes	Biscaye et al (1974)
Radon-222	Prospero & Carlson (1970)
Magnetic mineral assemblages	Oldfield et al (1985)
Aluminium concentration	Duce et al (1980)
Aerosol-crust enrichment factor	Rahn et al (1981)
SEM features of individual grains	Prodi & Fea (1979)
Continentially-derived lipids	Gagosian et al (1981)
Pollen	Campo & Quet (1982)
Foraminifera	Ehrenburg (1849)

Table 3.1 Events of Saharan dust deposition over the British Isles this century

Date	Area of Deposition	Reference
9/3/1901	Central England	Mill (1902)
21-23/1/1902	SW England & Wales	Mill (1902)
21-22/2/1903	S England, E Anglia & Wales	Mill & Lempfert (1904)
1/7/1968	England & Wales	Pitty (1968) Stevenson (1969)
6/3/1977	N Ireland, Isle of Skye	Tullett (1978) Bain & Tait (1977)
15/5/1979	N Ireland	Tullett (1980)
28-29/11/1979	Eire, NW & Central England, N Wales, S Scotland	Pringle & Bain (1981)
28-29/1/1981	N Ireland	Richardson (1981) George (1981)
11/2/1982	Home Counties	Thomas (1982) Moon (1982)
26-27/1/1983	Kent, Sussex, Wilts & Somerset	Thomas (1983)
24/9/1983	N Ireland, W Berks	Tullett (1984) Pike (1984)
22/4/1984	S Wales, Devon	This work
9/11/1984	Soton, Oxford, NE England	Cinderey (1985) Thomas (1985) Wheeler (1985,86) File (1986)
4/4/1985	Kent, Cambridge	Thomas (1985)



Table 4.2 Arithmetic mean number of dust storm observations (totals of readings taken at 0600, 1200 and 1800 GMT) and mean rainfall per year at stations in Sudanese Sahel for two periods: 1950-67 and 1968-78 and the corresponding increase/decrease

Station	Location	Average dust storms			Average rainfall (mm yr <sup>-1</sup> )		
		1950-67	1968-78	Increase*	1950-67	1968-78	Decrease*
El Fasher	13°32' N 25°21' E	0.2	2.7	1350	317.5	208.5	66
El Obeid	13°11' N 30°14' E	0.7	3.2	457	400.1	301.6	75
Khartoum	15°33' N 32°35' E	1.8	7.7	428	186.4	134.7	72
Aroma	15°50' N 36°09' E	3.3	6.5	197	245.7	189.4	77
Tokar	18°26' N 37°44' E	36.6	47.2	129	90.8	55.5	61
						Mean	70

\* 1968-78 values are expressed as percentage of 1950-67 values (data from Sudan Meteorological Department Annual Meteorological Reports).

Table 5.1 Hourly meteorological observations at Seeb  
International Airport, Oman, 26 April 1981

Time (LST)	Wind Dir (°)	Wind Speed (kn)	Visibility (km)	Present Weather (ww)	Temp (°C)	Pressure (mb)
0650	040	10	20	--	34.0	1009
0750	040	09	20	--	34.4	1008
0850	020	09	20	--	35.8	1007
0950	030	09	20	--	36.4	1006
1050	040	10	15	--	35.4	1006
1150	010	05	10	17	34.2	1007
1215	210	30	500m	98	--	--
1235	030	18	10	95	--	--
1250	080	15	10	95	35.3	1006
1350	180	30	500m	98	34.0	1007
1450	260	15	12	29	33.5	1010
1530	240	28	10	--	--	--
1550	250	25	10	--	30.5	1011
1650	120	18	10	--	30.0	1009
1750	360	04	10	--	32.5	1008
1850	190	18	10	--	32.6	1007
1950	190	20	10	--	34.0	1006

(Note : Temperature = Dry Bulb; Pressure = at mean sea level)

Table 6.1 Seasonality of dust storms in south-west Asia, frequency as percentage by month

Station	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Annual average number of dust storm days
IRAN													
Abadan	2.0	3.3	5.3	7.9	9.3	<u>23.8</u>	20.2	8.6	7.6	5.3	4.3	2.3	43.1
Shahroud	0.0	3.9	5.9	<u>19.6</u>	11.8	9.8	19.6	11.8	15.7	2.0	0.0	0.0	13.0
Yazd	3.0	12.5	12.5	<u>18.5</u>	14.3	9.5	13.1	7.1	4.8	0.6	0.6	3.6	24.0
Jask	9.6	13.9	<u>14.8</u>	8.7	11.3	13.9	4.3	5.2	0.9	5.2	7.8	4.3	27.3
Zabol	2.7	2.7	3.9	6.4	9.6	17.9	<u>19.3</u>	16.8	12.4	5.5	1.4	1.6	80.7
AFGHANISTAN													
Bust	4.7	9.5	10.4	13.7	10.4	8.5	10.4	<u>14.2</u>	5.7	4.3	3.3	4.7	30.1
Ghazni	0.0	0.0	2.2	<u>20.0</u>	13.3	11.1	13.3	14.8	8.1	10.3	5.2	1.5	19.3
Mazarisharif	0.8	0.8	4.8	4.8	4.0	15.9	15.1	13.5	7.1	<u>23.0</u>	8.7	1.6	18.7
Faizabad	0.0	0.0	1.4	7.1	4.3	14.3	20.0	<u>22.9</u>	8.6	17.1	4.3	0.0	17.5
PAKISTAN													
Rawalpindi	0.0	1.4	4.3	14.2	<u>21.3</u>	<u>21.3</u>	14.2	9.9	7.1	5.7	0.7	0.0	14.1
Jacobabad	1.1	0.0	16.3	12.0	18.5	12.0	<u>21.7</u>	12.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	2.2	9.2
Panjgur	3.4	17.2	<u>31.0</u>	3.4	6.9	17.2	13.8	3.4	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	3.6
INDIA													
Ganganagar	8.9	0.0	11.1	0.0	<u>33.3</u>	24.4	13.3	8.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.0
New Delhi	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	<u>40.0</u>	35.0	3.3	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	8.0
Kanpur	4.4	2.2	8.9	13.3	<u>44.4</u>	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	2.0	0.0	5.0
Jamshedpur	0.0	0.0	7.1	23.8	<u>50.0</u>	16.7	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0

Data : National meteorological yearbooks - Iran (1967-73); Afghanistan (1974-80); Pakistan (1951-58); India (1931-60)

Table 6.2 Classification of dust storms in India according to intensity

Intensity of dust storm	Wind force on Beaufort scale	Visibility
Light	4 to 6	Less than 1000m, upto 500m
Moderate	6 to 8	Less than 500m, upto 200m
Severe	9 or more	Less than 200m

Table 7.1 Seasonality of dust storms in the USSR, frequency as percentage by month  
(after Klimenko & Moskaleva 1979)

Station	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Annual average number of dust storm days
Nizhnie Serogozy	0.0	0.6	5.8	17.3	7.5	8.7	15.0	17.3	<u>19.1</u>	6.9	1.2	0.6	17.3
Zavetnoe	0.0	0.0	0.4	8.2	10.3	16.7	19.3	<u>22.3</u>	15.5	5.2	2.1	0.0	23.3
Dzhambeiti	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	17.0	<u>19.2</u>	18.7	19.2	13.9	6.8	0.4	0.4	45.9
Dzaltyr	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	<u>21.5</u>	18.8	18.1	14.0	13.2	9.4	0.8	0.0	26.5
Aleisk	0.0	0.0	0.1	6.0	19.1	<u>20.5</u>	17.0	15.6	12.8	7.1	1.4	0.4	28.2
Repetek	6.9	9.1	11.1	10.4	10.4	10.6	<u>13.7</u>	10.4	4.9	4.3	3.8	4.4	65.6
Bakanas	0.2	0.2	2.7	11.5	14.7	16.8	<u>17.3</u>	14.7	11.3	7.1	2.7	0.8	47.7

Data : 25-year period, mostly 1936-60

Table 7.2 The effects of the Virgin Lands scheme on the frequency of dust storm days in the Omsk region, Western Siberia (after Sapozhnikova 1973)

Station	Mean annual number of dust storm days		Increase
	1936-50	1951-62	
Omsk, steppe	7	16	x2.3
Isil'-Kul'	8	15	x1.9
Pokrov-Irtyshsk	4	22	x5.5
Poltavka	9	12	x1.3
Cherlak	6	19	x3.2
mean	6.8	16.8	x2.5

Table 7.3 Proportion of stations (in %) according to the annual average number of dust storm days in the hot zone of the USSR (after Sapozhnikova 1973)

Region	1	5	10	20	30	Number of days more than				Number of stations
						40	50	60	80	
HOT DRY REGION										
Uzbekistan	100	58	30	9	7				2	43
Turkmenistan	96	96	84	52	36	12	8	4		25
Tadjikistan	100	28	14	9						22
VERY HOT DRY REGION										
Uzbekistan	100	90	70	30	10					10
Turkmenistan	100	100	97	79	61	43	21	7		28
Tadjikistan	100	100	50	33	33					6

Table 7.4 Dust storms by wind speed in Turkmenistan (1933-60)  
(after Kes 1983)

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Wind speed (m/s)	Total number of storms	Percent
1-3	2	0.02
4-6	127	1.4
7-10	3921	42.3
11-14	4086	44.1
15-20	1120	12.1
more than 20	14	0.2

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Table 8.1 Seasonality of dust storms in China, frequency as percentage by month

Station	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Annual average number of dust storm days
Hotien	0.9	1.8	10.3	18.5	<u>20.7</u>	18.2	11.9	9.7	4.6	1.5	0.9	0.3	32.9
Minqin	7.8	7.8	12.6	<u>15.8</u>	11.3	11.5	11.3	6.7	1.6	2.7	4.3	6.7	37.3
Lanzhou	0.0	12.8	23.1	<u>28.2</u>	15.4	15.4	5.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9
Yinchuan	14.9	17.9	14.9	<u>20.9</u>	11.9	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	3.0	6.0	6.7
Hohhot	6.0	6.0	15.5	<u>33.3</u>	15.5	9.5	2.4	0.0	3.6	2.4	2.4	3.6	8.4
Taiyuan	6.1	9.1	15.2	<u>36.4</u>	15.2	9.1	3.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	3.3
Zhengzhou	12.5	12.5	18.1	<u>20.8</u>	11.1	12.5	2.8	0.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	4.2	7.2
Beijing	16.7	11.1	16.7	<u>22.2</u>	8.3	8.3	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	8.3	3.6
Harbin	0.0	4.2	16.7	<u>54.2</u>	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4

Data : Meteorological Administration, Beijing (1951-80)

Table 9.1 Seasonality of dust storms in Australia, frequency as percentage by month

Station	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Annual average number of dust storm days
Alice Springs	16.9	5.6	8.1	1.6	4.0	2.4	5.6	0.0	8.1	12.9	<u>21.0</u>	13.7	5.9
Mildura	6.8	10.8	14.7	6.8	2.0	2.0	3.9	3.9	6.8	9.8	14.7	<u>17.6</u>	4.8

Data : Australian Bureau of Meteorology (1962-82)

Table 9.2 Comparative annual numbers of dust storm days at pairs of stations in selected Australian cities

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Station	Annual mean number of dust storm days (1962-82)
Sydney Airport	0.5
Sydney Regional Office	0.0
Adelaide Airport	0.5
Adelaide (West Terrace)	0.3
Brisbane AMO	0.6
Brisbane Regional Office	0.0

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Table 9.3 Rainfall, wet dust deposition & numbers of dust events at Merbein, Victoria (modified after Hutton 1980)

	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
Rainfall (mm)	280	350	420	240	440	190	310
CaCO <sub>3</sub> (kg/ha)	24.5	23.8	16.5	20.5	24.5	26.8	41.0
Dust event days	7	9	1	4	4	13	29

Table 10.1 Hierarchy of weather - duststorm systems on the Great Plains (after Henz & Woiceshyn 1980)

GENRE	MECHANISM	TIME FRAME (hr)	SPACE SCALE (km)	PREDICTABILITY
1 Dust Devil	Micro-temperature differences	0.1-0.5	0.01-0.5	Observe only in real time
2 Haboob	Thunderstorm downdraft into dry air, gravity flow	0.5-6.0	25-75	1-12 hrs
3 Severe mountain downslope windstorm	Complex terrain enhancement of downward transport of mid-tropospheric momentum	0.5-18	25-250	12-36 hrs
4 Frontal	Gravity flow, pressure gradient gradient + dynamic assist	1-8	500-1000	24-48 hrs
5 Cyclogenetic				
a Low level jet	Boundary layer thermal diffs. momentum transfer within shallow adiabatic PBL	6-12	500-1000	24-48 hrs
b Upper level jet	Deep adiabatic heating of toposphere thru dynamic subsidence	8-24	500-1000	24-72 hrs
c Surface storm circulation	Deeper-gradient winds	8-18	50-150	12-36 hrs
d Severe mountain downslope windstorm	(Mechanism No.3 above)			

Table 10.2 Dustfall deposition rates in the USA

LOCATION	REFERENCE	RATE (tonnes/km <sup>2</sup> /year)
San Clemente Island, California	Muhs (1983)	24-31
White Mountains, California	Marchand (1970)	1.4-15
Tempe, Arizona	Péwé <u>et al.</u> (1981)	54
Las Cruces, New Mexico	Gile & Grossman (1979)	9.3-125.8
Riesal, Texas	Smith <u>et al.</u> (1970)	28
Water Valley, Texas	Smith <u>et al.</u> (1970)	26
Edwards Plateau, Texas	Rabenhorst <u>et al.</u> (1984)	12
Central Nevada	Young & Evans (1986)	20-30

Table 11.1 Dust storms by direction and wind speed at Mexico City for two visibility classes (1952-61)

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VISIBILITY <1000m : Number of events										
Wind speed BFT	knots	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
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1	1-3									0
2	4-6			2	1					3
3	7-10	2	3	1	1				1	8
4	11-16	3	5	3	1		1	1	1	15
5	17-21	6	9	3	2		3	2		25
6	22-27	3	6	2	2		3		1	17
7	28-33	1	6	2		1	1	2	1	14
8	34-40		1						1	2
9	41-47		1							1
10	48-55				1					1
Total		15	31	13	8	1	8	5	5	86
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VISIBILITY <5000m : Number of events										
Wind speed BFT	knots	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
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1	1-3					1				1
2	4-6	3	2	3	5				1	14
3	7-10	9	9	5	5	2		3	3	36
4	11-16	26	28	17	13	8	7	6	7	112
5	17-21	30	40	26	29	18	13	9	5	170
6	22-27	8	21	17	24	10	9	2	3	94
7	28-33	3	10	6	8	5	5	3	2	42
8	34-40	1	2		1	1			1	6
9	41-47		1							1
10	48-55				1					1
Total		80	113	74	86	45	34	23	22	477
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Table 11.2 Dust storms by direction and wind speed at  
Mexico City for two visibility classes  
(1975-83)

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VISIBILITY <1000m : Number of events

Wind speed BFT	knots	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
1	1-3									0
2	4-6									0
3	7-10									0
4	11-16			1						1
5	17-21	1								1
6	22-27	3								3
7	28-33	2								2
8	34-40									0
9	41-47									0
10	48-55									0
Total		6		1						7

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VISIBILITY <5000m : Number of events

Wind speed BFT	knots	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
1	1-3									0
2	4-6									0
3	7-10	2		2	3	1	1	1	1	11
4	11-16	12		9	8	4	1		1	35
5	17-21	24		12	10	8			1	55
6	22-27	27		2	2	3	1	1	2	38
7	28-33	6		1						7
8	34-40	2								2
9	41-47									0
10	48-55									0
Total		73		26	23	16	3	2	5	148

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Table 11.3 Duration of dust events at Mexico City for two periods

Duration (hours)	Total number of events for two periods					
	1 <1000m	2 <1000m	1 <1600m	2 <1600m	1 <5000m	2 <5000m
<1	79(96)	8(100)	155(91)	20(91)	383(82)	107(69)
1-2	3(4)		10(6)	1(4.5)	55(12)	29(19)
2-3			4(2)	1(4.5)	19(4)	11(7)
3-4			1(1)		7(1)	4(3)
4-5					2(0.5)	1(1)
5-6						
6-7					1(0.5)	
7-8						1(1)
Total	82(100)	8(100)	170(100)	22(100)	467(100)	155(100)

Note: Numbers in parenthesis = percentages

1 = Period 1952-61

2 = Period 1975-83

Table 11.4 Dust storms by direction and wind speed at Torreon for two visibility classes (1962-69)

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VISIBILITY <1000m : Number of dust events									
Wind speed	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
BFT knots									
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Calm									4
1 1-3									0
2 4-6		1	1						2
3 7-10		2	1						3
4 11-16	1	3	7	2	1	1			15
5 17-21	1	7	4	5	4	2		2	25
6 22-27	2	4	3	2	1	5		2	19
7 28-33	1		2	1	3	4	2	6	19
8 34-40		1	1		3	2		1	8
9 41-47									0
10 48-55									0
11 56-63						1			1
Total	5	18	19	10	12	16	2	11	96
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VISIBILITY <5000m : Number of dust events									
Wind speed	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Total
BFT knots									
-----									
Calm									11
1 1-3									0
2 4-6	1	4	2				3	1	11
3 7-10	3	18	8	1			1	3	34
4 11-16	2	29	23	10	2	3		3	72
5 17-21	5	16	13	8	6	5	2	5	60
6 22-27	1	7	7	1	6	9	2	10	43
7 28-33	1	1	1	1	3	4	2	6	19
8 34-40		1	1		3	2		1	8
9 41-47									0
10 48-55									0
11 56-63						1			1
Total	13	76	55	21	20	24	10	29	259
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Table 12.1 Major global dust source areas with key station dust storm day frequency per year (D)

Source area	Ref to fig 12.1	Station	D	Data source	Data period	Number of years
AFRICA						
Bodélé Depression	A	Maiduguri (Nigeria)	22.5	Nigerian Met Dept	1955-79	25
S Mauritania/N Mali/C Algeria	B	Nouakchott (Mauritania)	27.4	Service Mét Mauritania	1960-84	25
Libya/E Algeria	C	Sirte (Libya)	17.8	Libyan Met Dept	1956-77	22
MIDDLE EAST						
N Saudi/Jordan/Syria	D	Abou Kamal (Syria)	14.9	Syrian Met Dept	1959-79	21
Lower Mesopotamia	E	Kuwait Int Airport	27.0	Safar (1985)	1962-84	23
S-W ASIA						
Makran coast	F	Jask (Iran)	27.3	Iranian Met Org	1970-73	4
Seistan Basin	G	Zabol (Iran)	80.7	Iranian Met Org	1967-73	7
Afghan Turkestan plains	H	Chardarrah (Afghanistan)	46.7	Autorité Mét Afghan	1974-80	7
Upper Indus plains	I	Jhelum (Pakistan)	18.9	Pakistan Met Dept	1951-58	8
Thar Desert	J	Fort Abbas (Pakistan)	17.8	Pakistan Met Dept	1951-59	8
USSR						
Turkmenistan	K	Repetek	65.5	Klimenko & Moskaleva (1979)	1936-60	25
Kara Kum	L	Nebit Dag	60.0	"	"	"
Rostov	M	Zavetnoe	23.3	"	"	"
Altay	N	Rubtsovsk	25.1	"	"	"
Alma Alta	O	Bakanas	47.7	"	"	"
Kazakhstan	P	Dzhambeiti	45.9	"	"	"
CHINA						
Taklimakan Desert	Q	Hotien	32.9	Chinese Met Admin	1953-80	28
Gansu Corridor	R	Minqin	37.3	Chinese Met Admin	1953-80	28

Table 12.2 Geomorphological units from which substantial deflation occurs

Geomorphological unit	Regional example
Floodplain	Lower Mesopotamia, Iraq
Alluvial fan	Tibesti & Hoggar Mtns, N Africa
Wadi	Negev
Glacial outwash plain	Slims River Valley, Yukon
Salt pan	Puna de Atacama, Argentina
Other desert depressions	Seistan Basin, Iran
Former lake bed	Lake Texcoco, Mexico City
Active dunes/ergs	Erg In Koussamene, Mali
Devegetated fossil dunes	Erg du Trarza, Mauritania
Loess	Loess Plateau, N China

Table 12.3 Classification of dust-generating weather systems

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1. Dust devil
  2. Thunderstorm downdraft
    - a) Single cell
    - b) Severe thunderstorm
  3. Mountain downslope wind (katabatic/foehn-type)
  4. Valley channelling (Venturi effect)
  5. Tropical cyclone
  6. Frontal
    - a) Pre frontal
    - b) Post frontal
  7. Cyclogenic
    - a) Low level jet
    - b) Upper level jet
    - c) Surface storm circulation (gyre)
    - d) Mountain downslope
  8. Pressure gradient (convergence zone)
    - a) Stationary systems
    - b) Travelling systems
  9. Upper Westerlies
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Table 12.4 Dust-bearing winds of the world  
DUST-BEARING WINDS: NORTH AND WEST AFRICA I

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
HARMATTAN (Fantee: 'aharaman' - to blow and 'ta' grease locals cover their skin with)	Bilma/Faya Largeau area + much of W Africa south of 20° N	October-April	ENE	Pressure surge after cold air outbreaks from mid-latitudes	Kalu (1979)
HABOOB (Arabic: 'habb' - to blow)	Sudan (but has become almost generic in its use)	May-July		Single cell thunderstorm downdraft	Sutton (1925)
KHAMSIN (Fifty)	Egypt	Spring		Pre-frontal	see Middle East
CHILI (CHEHILI - a desert sirocco)	S Tunisia S. Algeria	Spring	SW	Pre-frontal	Naval Intelligence Division (1943)
SHEKHELI	Algeria	Spring			Borushko (1972)
CHERGUI (East wind)	Moroccan Sahara West Morocco	Summer	NE		Naval Intelligence Division (1941)

Table 12.4

## DUST-BEARING WINDS: NORTH AND WEST AFRICA II

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
IRIFI	Western Sahara (Spanish Sahara)		SE	Frontal	Morales (1946)
DSCHANI	South Sahara				Goudie (1978)
GIBLI (free trans: 'wind from Mecca')	Tripolitania			Pre-frontal	Sivall (1957)
SAHEL	Morocco		SW	Frontal	Mainguet (1980)
LESTE	Madeira				Goudie (1978)
LEVANTO	Canary Islands				Nalivkin (1983)

Table 12.4  
 DUST-BEARING WINDS: NORTH & WEST AFRICA III

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
GUEBLI (South wind)	Tunisia and Algeria (Northern regions)	All year but most prevalent May-October	S	Pre-frontal and katabatic effects from interior uplands to coastal plains	Naval Intelligence Division (1943)
BRUME SÈCHE (French: dry haze)	West Africa	October-April	ENE	Harmattan haze in light winds	

Table 12.4

DUST - BEARING WINDS: EAST & SOUTHERN AFRICA

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
KHARIF	Somalia/Horn of Africa	June-September	SW		Brooks (1920)
KHAMSIN	Horn of Africa	June-September	NW		Griffiths (1972)
GOBAR	Ethiopia				Goudie (1978)
BERG WIND	SW African coast	All seasons, esp. May-August	E-NE	Katabatic?	Höfllich (1984)

Table 12.4

## DUST - BEARING WINDS: MIDDLE EAST I

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
SHAMAL ( 'North' )	Mesopotamia and Arabian Gulf	Regularly: Feb-Oct Peak: June & July	NW	Pressure gradient	Membery (1983)
SAD-OU-BIST BAD ( 'Wind of 120 days' )	SE Iran/W Afghanistan esp. Seistan	May-September	N-NW	Pressure gradient and funneling effects	Grant (1983)
BELAT	SE coast Arabia esp. between Ras Sahar and Masira Island	mid December-- mid March	N-NW	Frontal?	Grant (pers. comm. 1986)
SIMOOM ( 'Poison wind' )	Kuwait	Summer	NW	Local name for Shamal	Bull (1956)
KHAMSIN ( 'Fifty' ) *	Egypt. As generic type over much of area under local names (see below)	Spring and Winter	varies predom. S	Frontal	
SHARAV	Israel	April-June	SW S or SE )		Winstanley (1972)
SHLOUR	Syria and Lebanon	Spring and Winter	S-SW )	Khamsin-type	
SHARGI	Iraq	Spring	SE )		

\*Variously taken to refer to average duration of wind (50 hr), its annual frequency (50 times) and its season of maximum onset (the 50 days either side of spring solstice). The third explanation seems closest to the truth. (Fisher 1978)

Table 12.4

DUST - BEARING WINDS: MIDDLE EAST II

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
TOZE	Kuwait			Local name for any sand or dust storm	<u>Khalaf et al.</u> (1985)
BADÉ ALVAR	Baluchistan			Local name for SIMOOM	Djavadi (1965)
SCIROCCO	Arabia Palestine and Mesopotamia			Frontal	Sivall (1957)
SCHAITAN	Baluchistan				Coudie (1978)

Table 12.4  
DUST - BEARING WINDS: AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
AFGHAN WIND (or AFGANETS)	Turkestan Plains - Amu Darya and Termez	June-October	SW-W	Cold air outbreak behind frontal low	Nalivkin (1983)
BOROW WIND	Nangarhar Valley, SE Afghanistan	June-August	SW	Foehn-tyne	Middleton (1986b)
PARWAN WIND	From Salang Mtns into basins of Parwan, Kapisa and Kabul	June-August	N	Pressure gradient	Middleton (1986b)
LOO	Upper Indus plain and NW India	Summer (April- June)	W	Haze in light winds from pressure gradient dust- raising	Joseph (Pers. comm. 1986)
ANDHI (Sanskrit: 'Andha' - blind man)	NW India	April-June		Thunderstorm (usually severe) downdraft	Joseph et al. (1980)
NOR'WESTER	Bengal	April-June		Thunderstorm downdraft	Singh (1971)
KAL-BAISAKHI ( 'Doom of the Baisakh month' )	Bengal	April-June		Thunderstorm downdraft	Mull et al. (1963)
MUNCHIN	Ganges Valley	?April-June			Borushko (1972)

Table 12.4

## DUST - BEARING WINDS: EUROPE (EX. USSR)

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
CALINA	Spain				Goudie (1978)
KOSSAVA	Hungary				Goudie (1978)
SCIROCCO	Southern Europe	Spring	S	Frontal	Goudie (1978)
LEVECHE	Spanish Mediterranean coast Malaga-Alicante	Spring	SE to SW	Scirocco type - material from N Africa	Tout & Kemp (1985)
BLOWS	Fens, UK			Frontal	Spence (1955)
MISTUR	Central region, Iceland	Summer		Localised off-glacier katabatic	Vivian (pers.comm. 1986)
LESTE	Madeira			Frontal	Bull (1956)

Table 12.4

DUST - BEARING WINDS: USSR

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
AFGANETS (or AFGHAN wind)	Tadjikstan	June-October	SW / W	Cold air outbreak behind frontal low	Iarovitskii (1932)
GARMSIL (Russian: 'hot wind' or 'hot storm')	From mountains to S. Turkmenistan		S	Foen-type	Astapovich (1955)
KARA BURAN (Russian - 'dark' or 'bad storm')	Common on Amu Darya and Termez - local name for AFGHAN WIND (op.cit)	Spring	E	Pressure gradient	Nalivkin (1983)
SUKHOVEY (Russian - 'Sukho' - dry)	All dry parts of USSR	Most frequent in Summer		Often dust-bearing, though high temperatures and low humidities stressed rather than dustiness	Lydolph (1977)
CHERNYE BURAN (Russian - 'Black storm')	Southern USSR - Ukraine Caucasus, Don, etc.				Kravchenko (1961)
IBE	Jungar Gate between Yebinor Lake and Balkhash-Alakul depression	Summer = dust raising (Winter = blizzards)		Katabatic and funnelling	Nalivkin (1983)
NORD (KHAZRI)	Caspian coast		N		Nalivkin (1983)
BALKHASH BORA	Crest of Chengiz Mtns. to shores of Lake Balkhash	Spring and Summer = dust-raising (Winter = blizzards)	NE	Katabatic	Nalivkin (1983)

Table 12.4

## DUST - BEARING WINDS: CHINA AND JAPAN

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
FUJIN	Kanto Plains, Japan	Late January, February and early March		Frontal	Fortner & Ihara (1964)
KOSA (strictly a dust fall)	Japan - from E Asian deserts		W		Hirose <u>et al.</u> (1983)
KYZYL BURAN ( 'Red storm' )	Inner Mongolia and Xianjiang, China			Frontal	Tregear (1980)
YAMAN ( 'Evil storm' )	Inner Mongolia and Xianjiang, China			Frontal	Tregear (1980)
KARA BURAN ( 'Black storm' )	Inner Mongolia and Xianjiang, China			Frontal	Tregear (1980)
HYI-FYN ( 'Black wind' )	China			Frontal	Nalivkin (1983)
HUAN-FYN ( 'Yellow wind' )	China			Frontal	Nalivkin (1983)

Table 12.4  
DUST - BEARING WINDS: AUSTRALIA

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
BRICKFIELDER (originally because S'ly busters blow across Sydney brick fields raising dust	Southern interior, especially Victoria	Spring and Summer	N	Pressure gradient winds in advance of eastward moving anticyclone across Southern Australia	Gentilli (1971)
COBAR SHOWER	New South Wales				Gentilli (1971)
DARLING SHOWER	New South Wales				Gentilli (1971)

Table 12.4

## DUST - BEARING WINDS: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
SANTA ANA (SANTANA)	Southern California		N/NE	Katabatic	Sergius et al. (1962)
CHINOOK	Rockies - eastward			Foehn-type	
WASATCH	From Wasatch ridge, Utah				Williams (1952)
PALOUSE	Idaho, Montana				Goudie (1978)
KEELER FOG	Keeler, NW shore Owens dry lake	Winter			Fryxell (1980)

Table 12.4

## DUST - BEARING WINDS: LATIN AMERICA

NAME	AREA AFFECTED	SEASON	DIRECTION (from)	METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS	REFERENCE
TOLVANERA	Mexico	January - May	Dom. NE	Thunderstorm downdraft in Mexico City	Jauregui (1973)
PAMPERO SUCIO	Argentine coast		Usually SE		Alaimo (pers.comm. 1984)
VOLCAN (Spanish= 'volcano')	Pampas of Argentina		Usually N		Prego (1961)
ZONDA	Argentina - Andean foothills	More freq. in winter	W	Foehn-type/katabatic	Alaimo (pers. comm. 1984)
CHUBASCO	Pacific coast of Mexico and California				Idso (1976b)
PARACAS	Peruvian coast S. of Pisco (14°S) for 200 km		Sly	Katabatic	Lettau & Costa (1978)

## PLATES

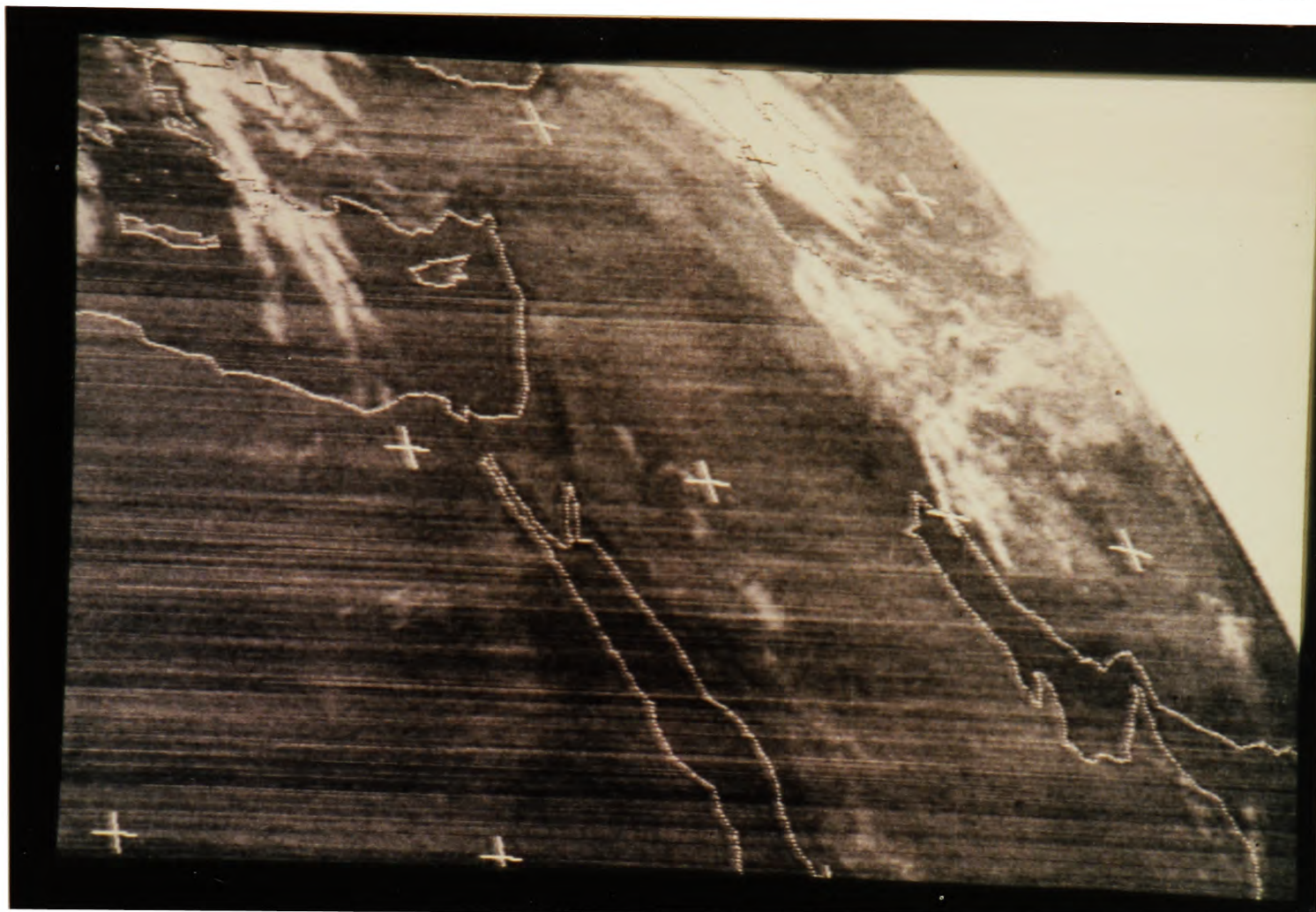


Plate 2.1 Meteosat-2 infrared image of the eastern Mediterranean area (0600 GMT, 17 April 1985)



Plate 2.2 Space Shuttle photograph of the eastern Mediterranean area (06:16:04 GMT, 17 April 1985)

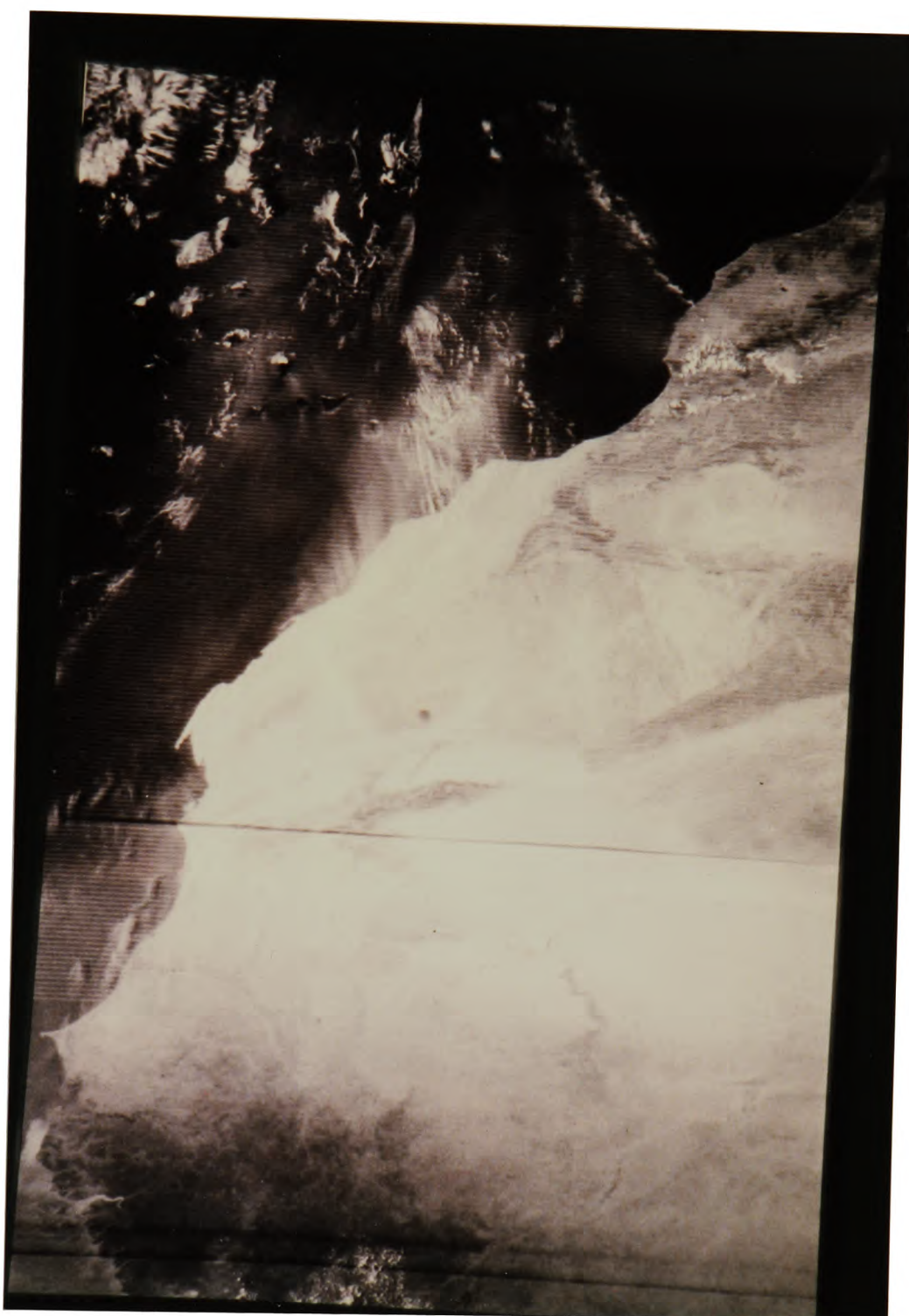


Plate 2.3 NOAA-9 AVHRR image showing dust plumes from the northern coast of the Western Sahara over the Canary Islands. Note also the dust haze over the Mauritanian coast (14:58:58 GMT, 16 April 1985)



Plate 2.4 NOAA-9 AVHRR image of dust layer from plate 2.3  
travelling northeastwards over the Atlantic  
(14:46:16 GMT, 17 April 1985)



Plate 2.5 NOAA-9 AVHRR image of dust layer from plates 2.3 & 2.4  
reaching south-west Spain & Portugal  
(14:36:12 GMT, 18 April 1985)



Plate 2.6 Space Shuttle photograph of a dust plume blowing northwards from the Red Sea coast of north-east Sudan (15:22 GMT, 5 October 1984)

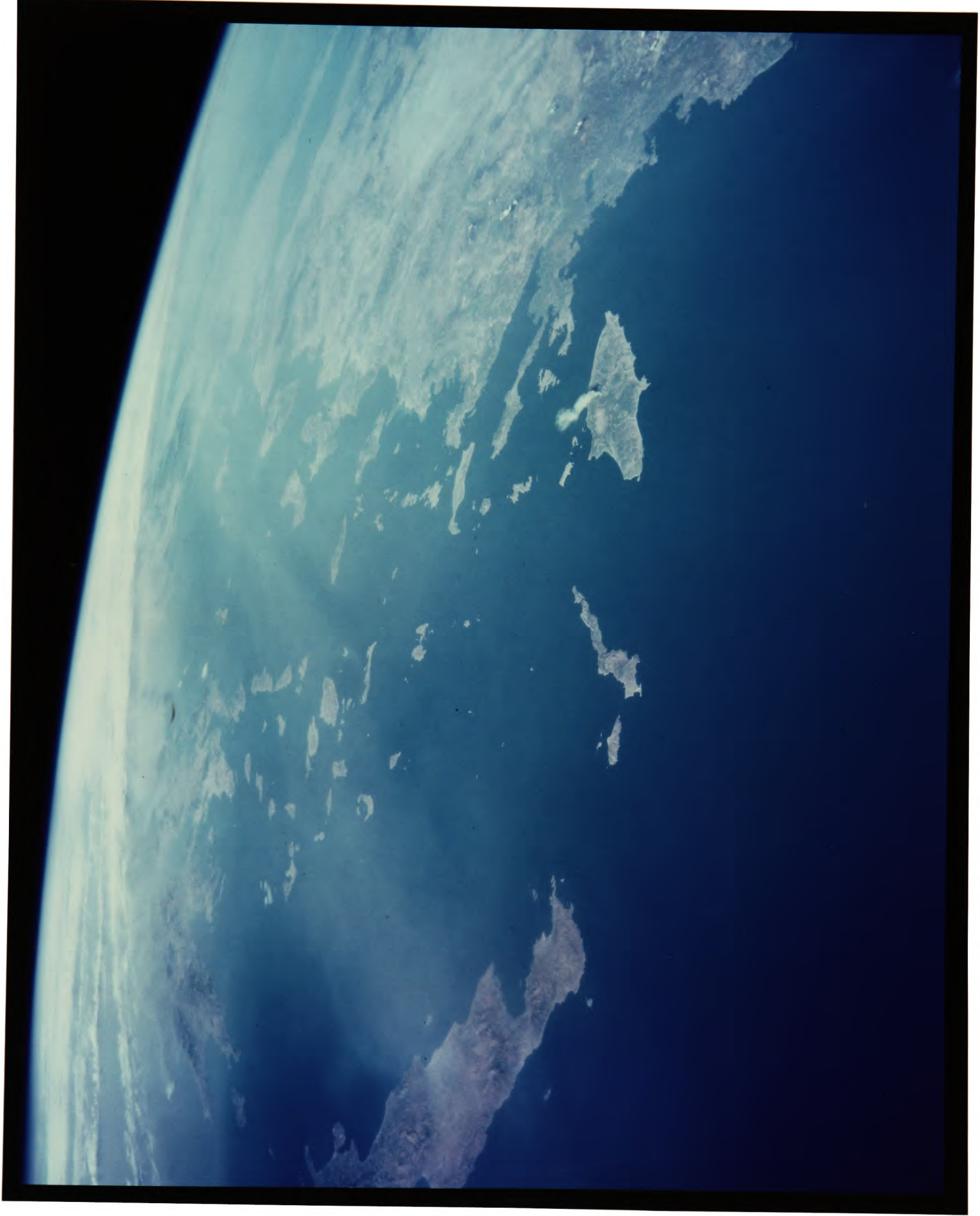


Plate 2.7 Space Shuttle photograph of dust haze from plume shown in plate 2.6 over Crete & the Cyclades Islands  
(12:11 GMT, 6 October 1984)

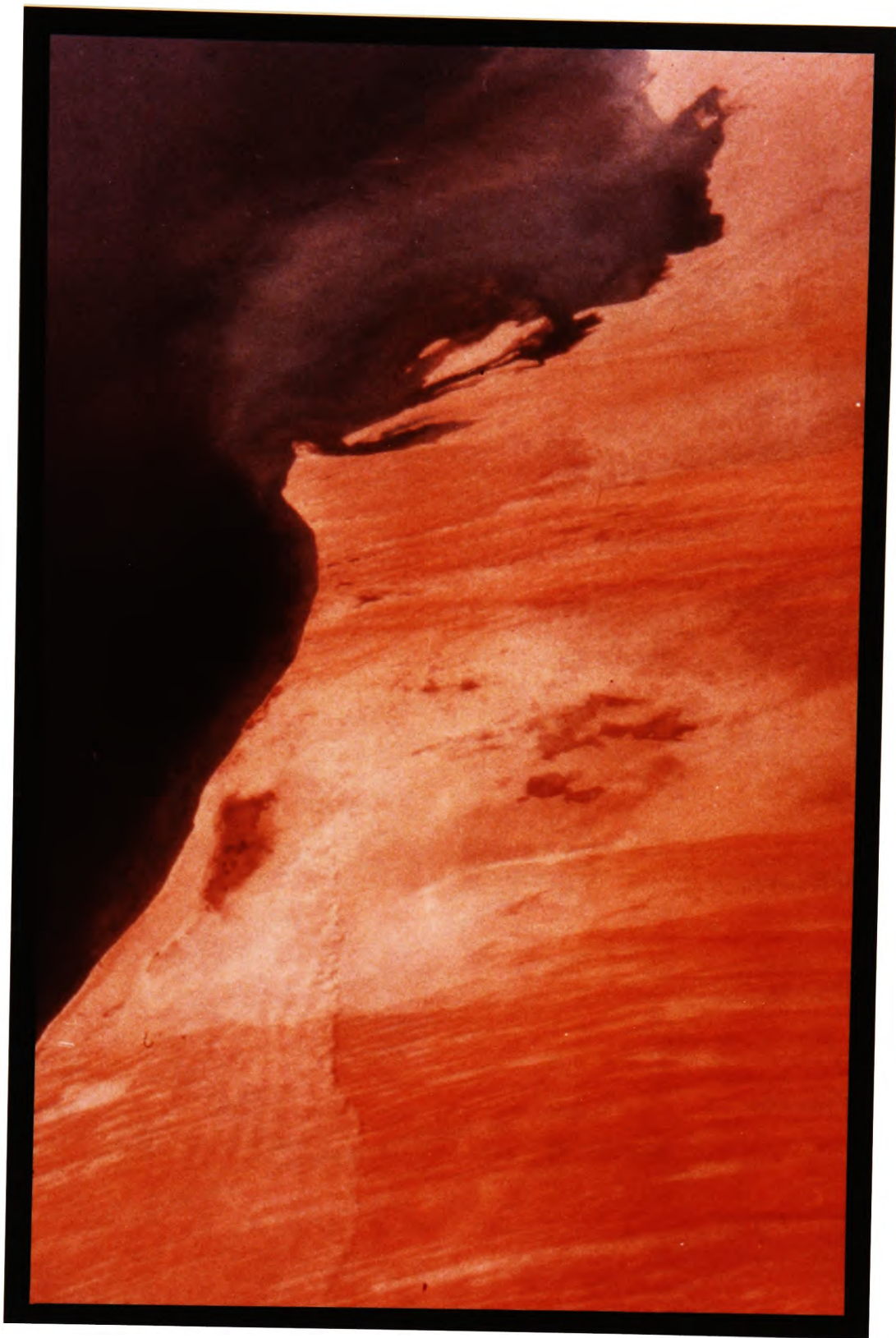


Plate 3.1 Space Shuttle photograph of a severe thunderstorm downdraft dust storm advancing towards the coast of Mauritania (February 1982)

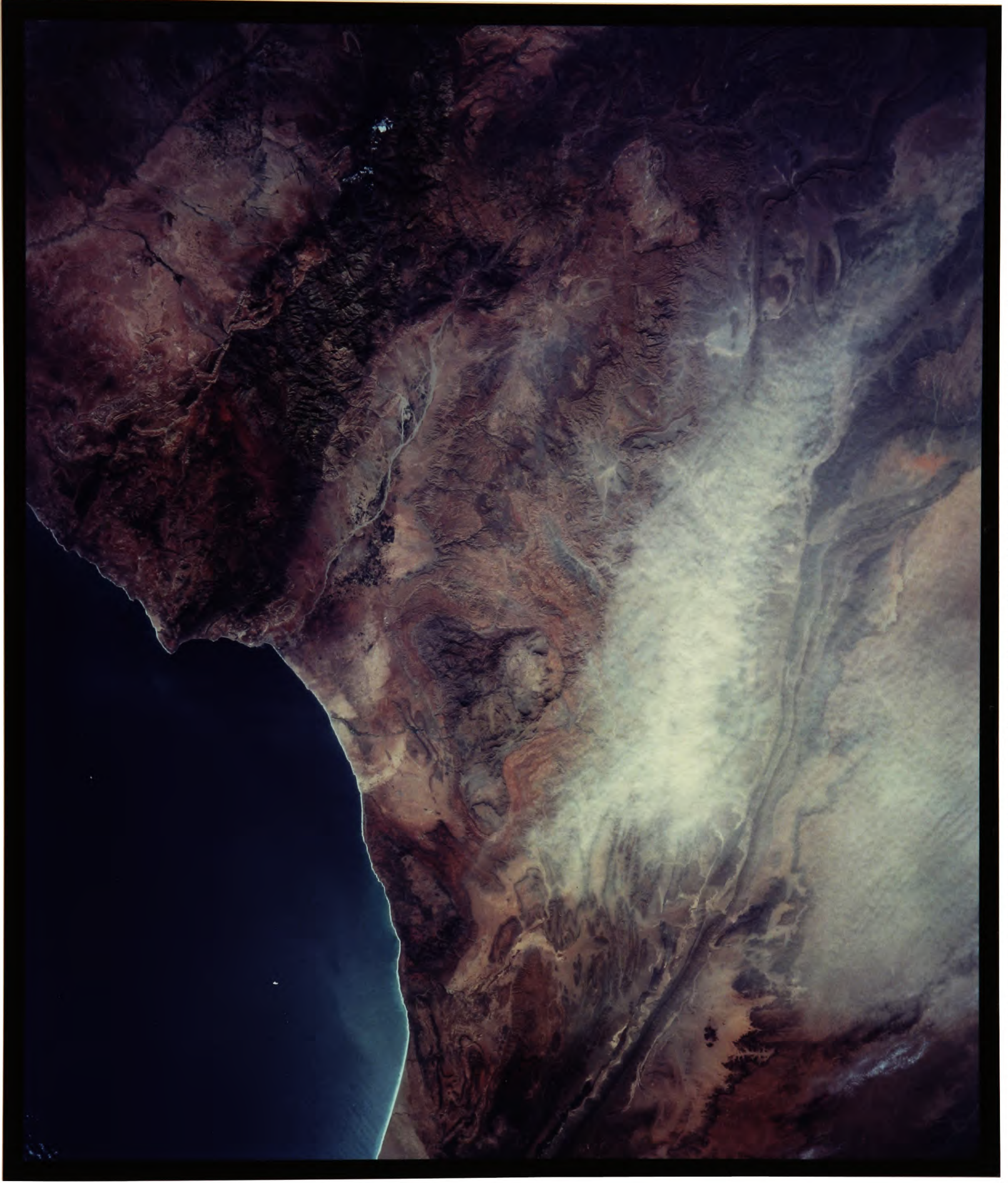
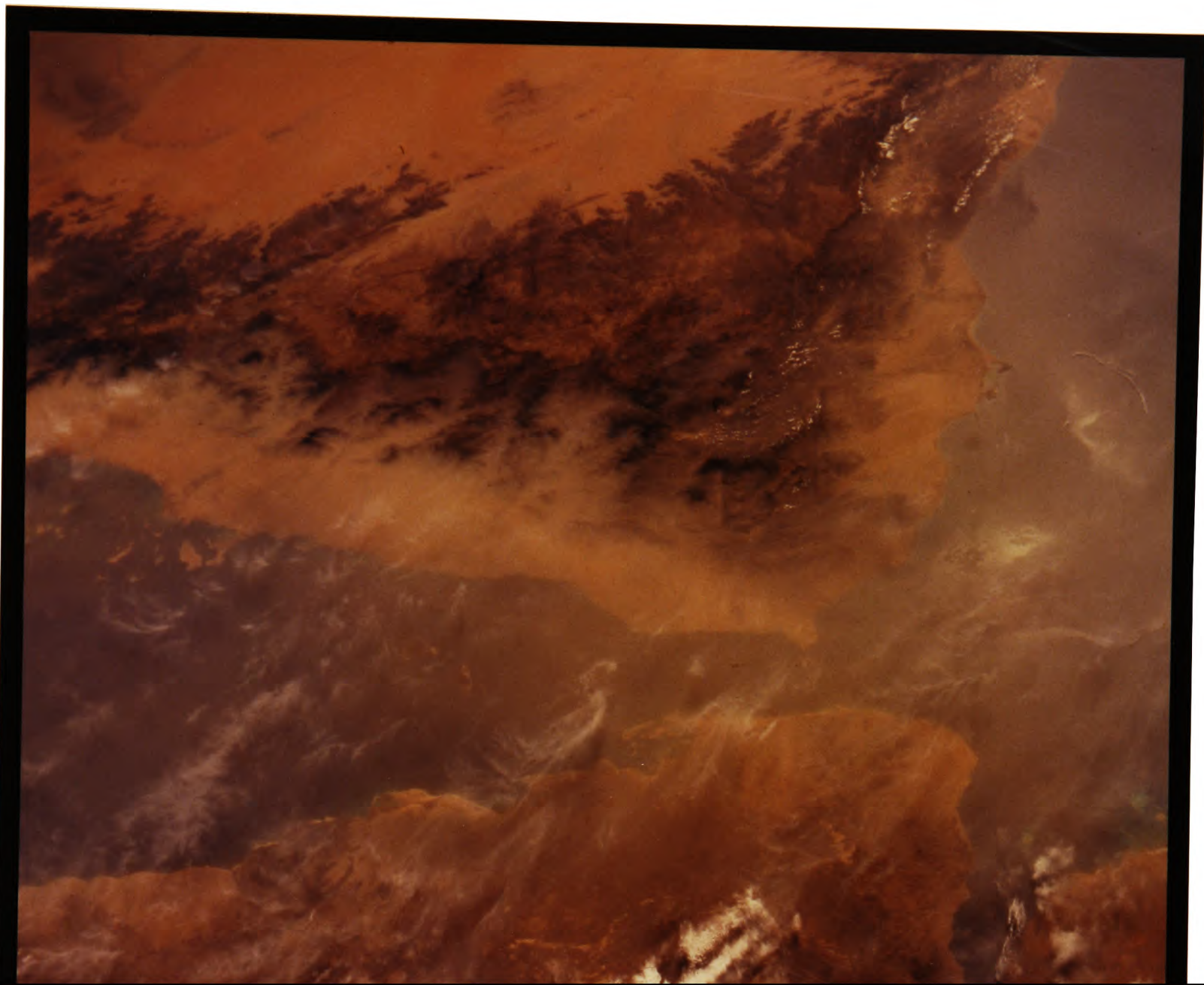


Plate 3.2 Space Shuttle photograph of a dust event on the floodplain of the Dra River, southern Morocco  
(15:22 GMT, 5 October 1984)



Plate 3.3 A typical Haboob over Khartoum, Sudan (from Freeman 1952)



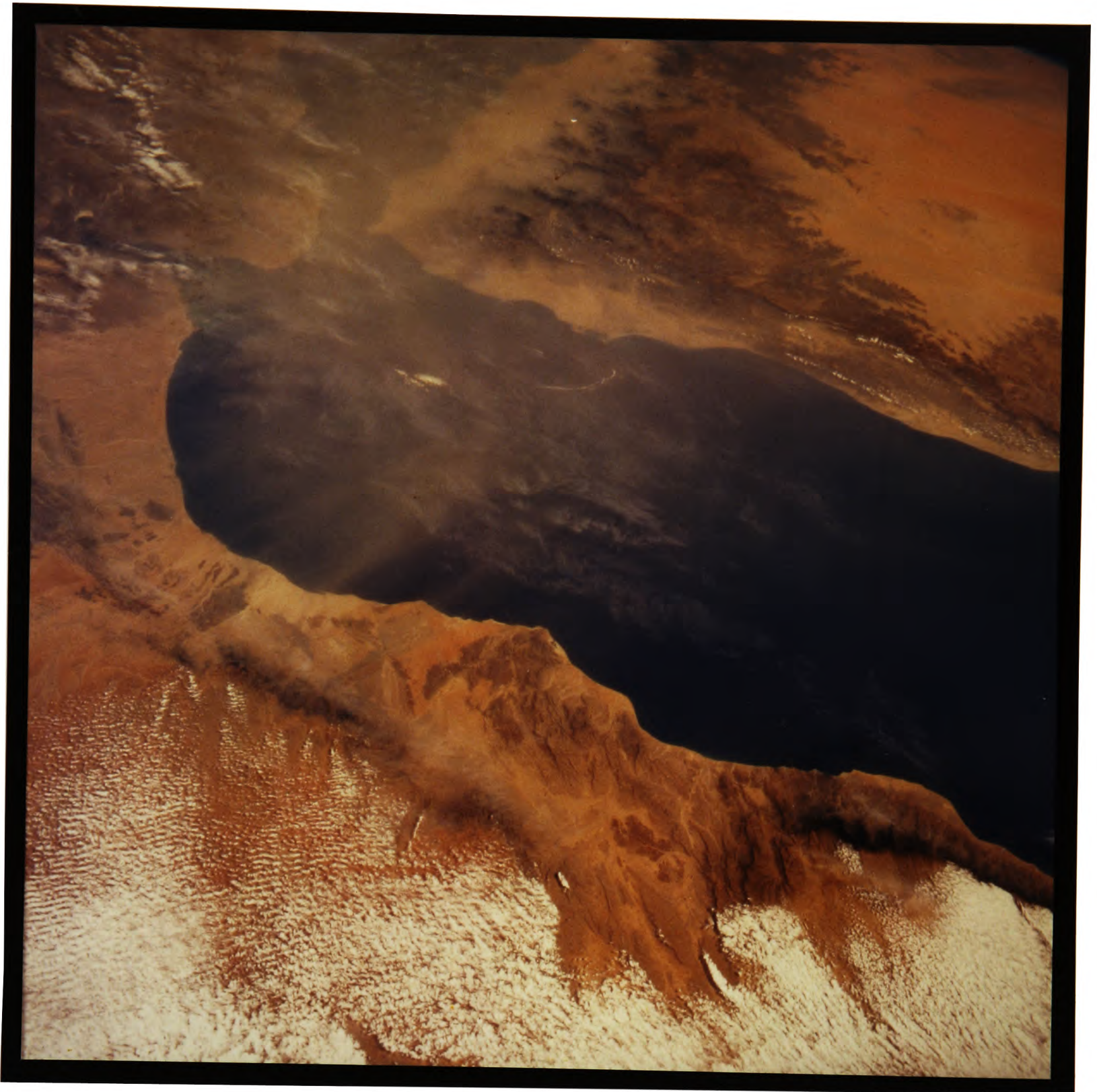


Plate 3.5 Space Shuttle photograph showing dust events over southern Ethiopia, Djibouti & the Somali coast & transport over the Gulf of Aden & the Arabian Peninsula (June 1985)



Plate 3.6 Space Shuttle photograph showing dust transported from areas shown in plates 3.4 & 3.5 over the Arabian Peninsula & the Gulf of Aden (June 1985)

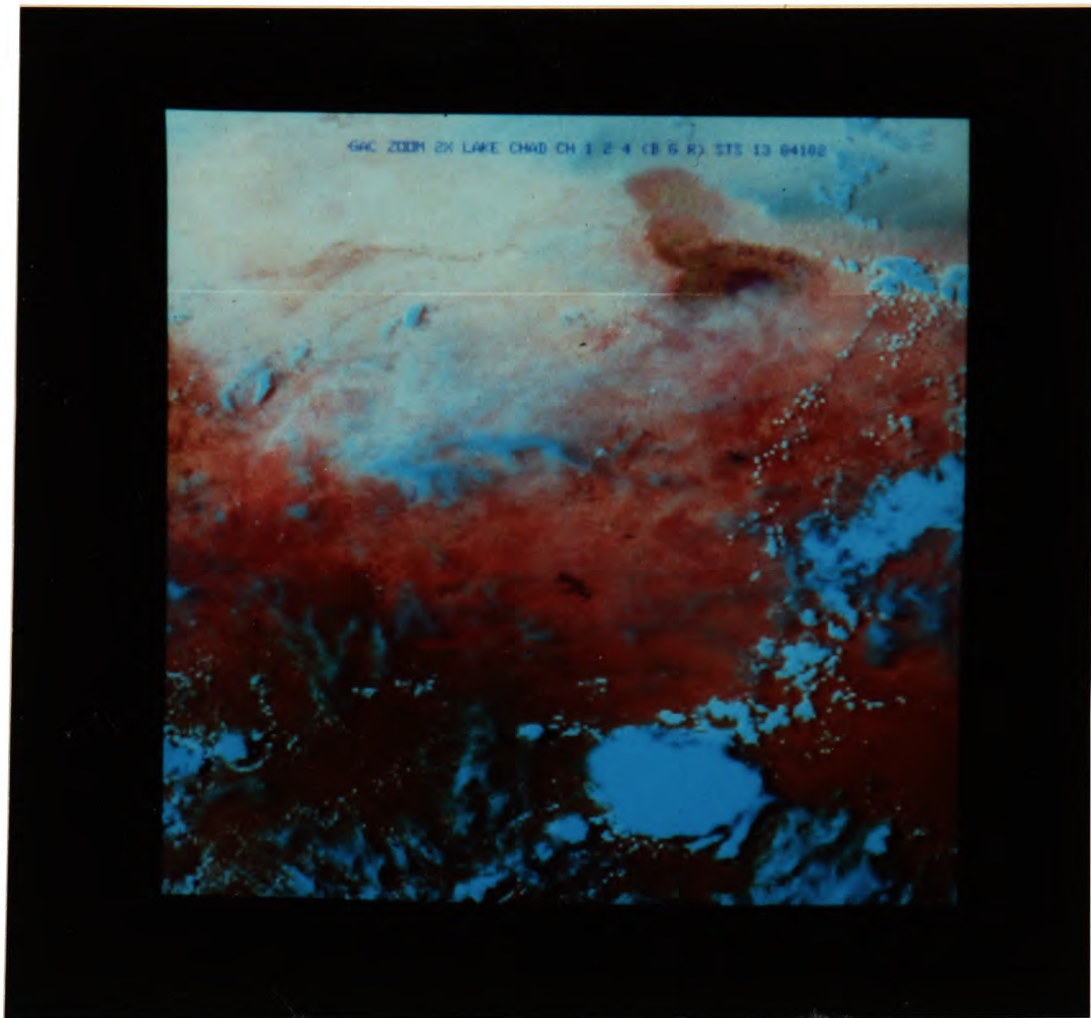


Plate 4.1 NOAA-7 AVHRR image of widespread dust-raising over the southern portion of Lake Chad (11 April 1984)

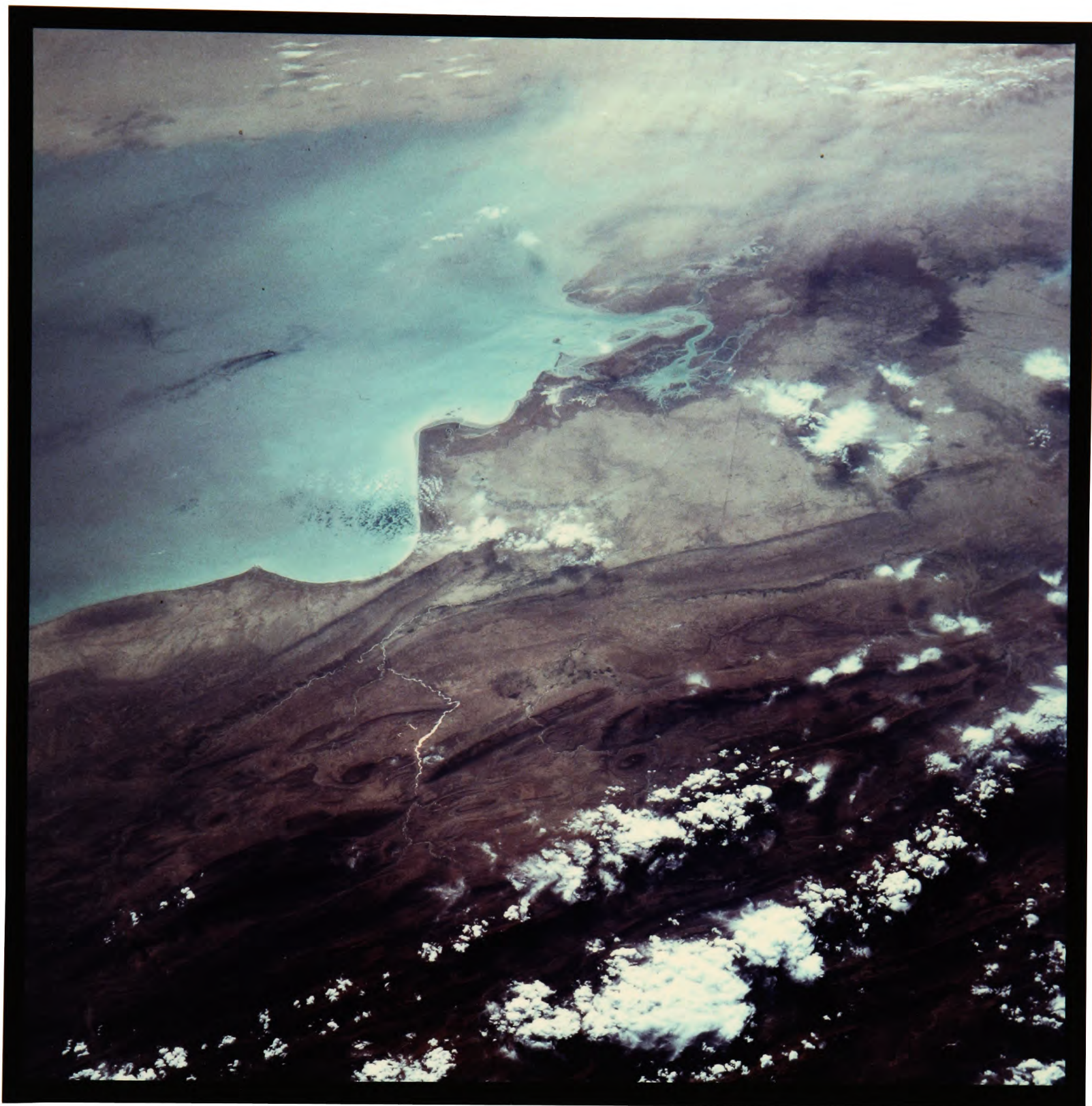


Plate 5.1 Space Shuttle photograph of Shamal dust blowing from the southern coast of Iraq & Kuwait over the northern Arabian Gulf (10:33:44 GMT, 6 October 1984)







Plate 8.1 Watercolour painting of a dust storm in the Tarim Basin  
(from Hedin 1903)

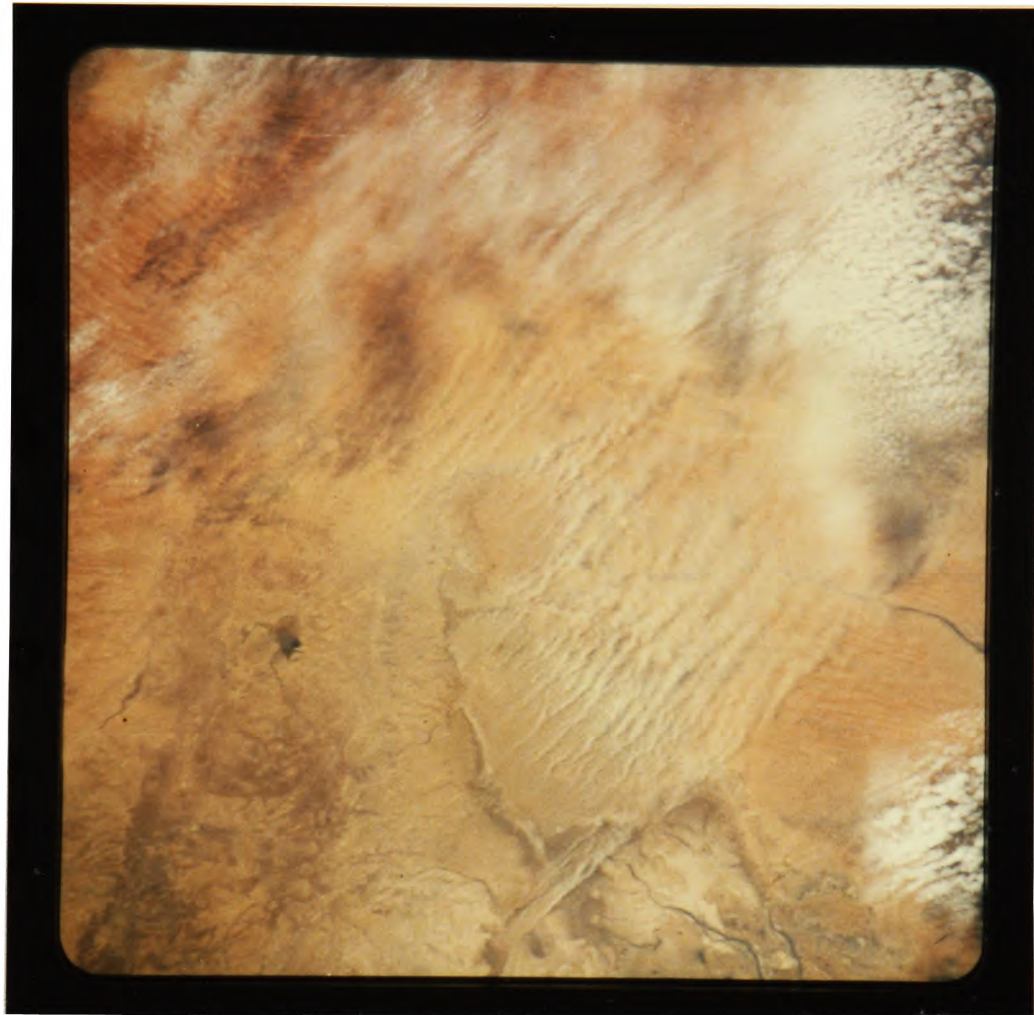


Plate 9.1 Space Shuttle photograph of point source dust-raising  
on alluvial plains in the Simpson Desert (April 1983)



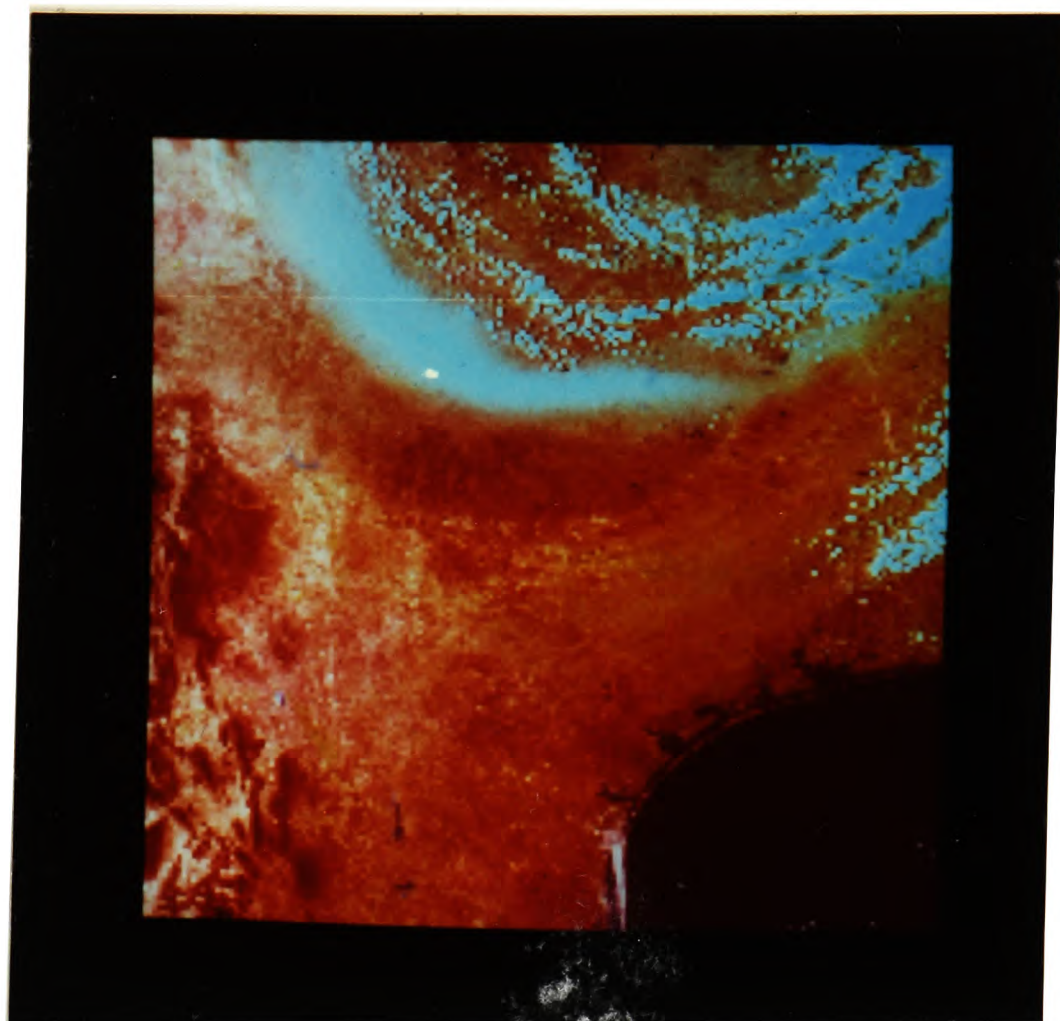


Plate 10.1 NOAA-7 AVHRR image of dust storm over the Great Plains,  
USA by intense cyclonic gyre (9 April 1984)



Plate 11.1 Dust-raising from the dry bed of the River Altzayanca,  
Cuenca de Oriental, Mexico (22 August 1983)

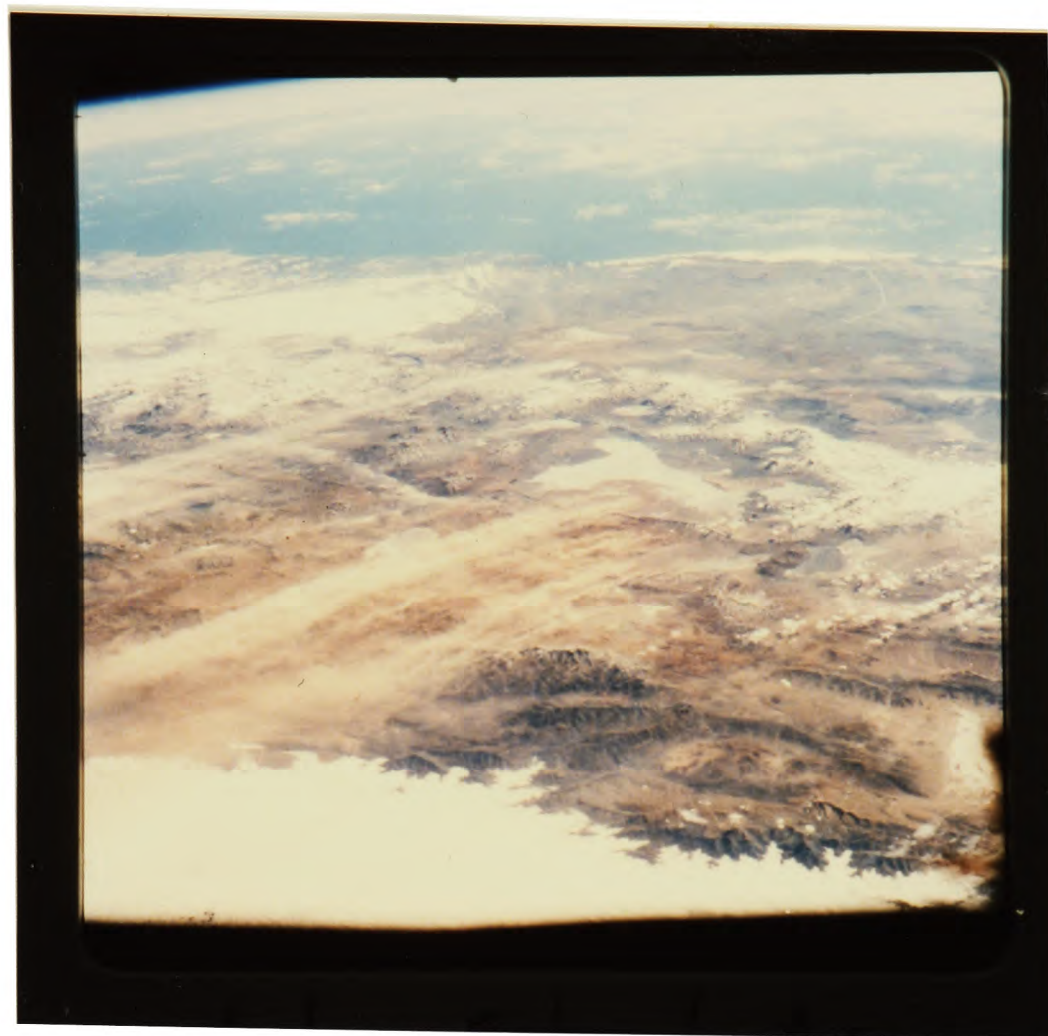


Plate 11.2 Space Shuttle photograph of point source dust plumes in the region of the Salar de Arizaro, Puna de Atacama, northern Argentina. Dust is raised by the prevailing upper westerlies (September 1983)

## APPENDIX : ABBREVIATIONS USED

BFT	Beaufort Number (wind speed measure)
BP	Before Present
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency (USA)
DP	Drift Potential (Fryberger 1979)
GARP	Global Atmospheric Research Program
GATE	GARP Atlantic Tropical Experiment
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
IAL	International Aeradio plc
IST	Indian Summer Time
ITCZ	Intertropical Convergence Zone
ITF	Intertropical Front
LST	Local Summer Time
LT	Local Time
SADS	SEAREX Asian Dust Study
SARH	Secretaria de Agricultura y Recursos Hidraulicos (Mexico)
SEAREX	Sea/Air Exchange Program
SENEAM	Servicios a la Navigacion en el Espacio Aereo Mexicano
SYNOP	Coded weather reports from the meteorological network of so-called SYNOP stations
TSP	Total Suspended Particulates
UN	United Nations
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
WMO	World Meteorological Organisation