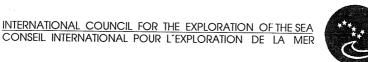
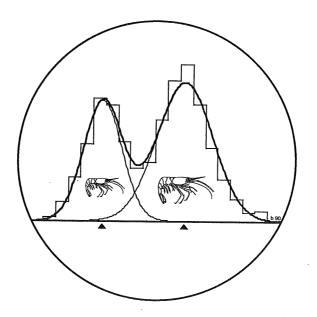
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1 INTRODUCTION

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1.2 Terms of Reference

The Working Group on the Assessment of <u>Pandalus</u> Stocks (Chairman: Mr S. Munch-Petersen) met at ICES Headquarters from 12-16 February 1990 (C.Res.1989/2:4:1) to:

- assess the status of the stocks of <u>Pandalus</u> <u>borealis</u> in the North Sea, Skagerrak, and Kattegat,
- evaluate the basis for treating <u>Pandalus</u> in the Norwegian Deeps and Division IIIa as separate stock units and, if appropriate, make an assessment for these units combined.

Two additional questions concerning mesh size and a proposed weekend fishing ban for <u>Pandalus</u> in Division IIIa were referred to the Working Group (see Section 6).

2 THE PANDALUS STOCKS WITHIN ICES SUB-AREAS III AND IV

2.1 Stock Identification

The <u>Pandalus</u> on Fladen Ground and in Farn Deeps are recognized as separate stocks and management units on basis of geographical separation and hydrographical considerations. However, the background for item 2 in the Terms of Reference has been the management problem concerning the <u>Pandalus</u> distributed continuously from the Norwegian Deeps in Division IVa into the Skagerrak (Division IIIa).

Samples of shrimps from the Norwegian Deeps and from the Skagerrak differ in their length frequency distributions (LFD) in that there is a higher proportion of small (young) shrimps in the samples from the Skagerrak. This feature has been remarkably constant over time; shrimps in the Norwegian Deeps are always larger. In the 1989 Working Group report (Anon., 1989a), this difference in observed LFDs was demonstrated by non-parametric tests.

Inspired by the Report of the Workshop on the Multivariate Analysis of Shellfish Stocks (Anon., 1989b), in which examples of multivariate analysis of LFDs from various crustacean stocks were given, the Working Group this year performed a Discriminant Function Analysis on Pandalus LFDs from the Fladen Ground, Norwegian Deeps and Skagerrak. The results (Annex 1) showed that the LFDs from the three areas were indeed different, and that the differ-

ence between Norwegian Deeps and Skagerrak LFDs was less pronounced than between either of these and those from the Fladen Ground (cf. Annex 1, Figure 1.)

The difference could be caused by different population dynamics (e.g., recruitment, growth, mortality) which would suggest that there are three different stocks.

Concerning the difference between the Skagerrak and the Norwegian Deeps, an alternative explanation to the observed difference could be that larvae and small shrimps drift from the Norwegian Deeps into Skagerrak and that adult shrimps migrate in the opposite direction. The instrument for transport of the juvenile shrimps exists in the Tampen current, which during a large part of the year moves sub-surface Altlantic water into the Skagerrak following the western and southern slope of the trench along west and south coasts of Norway (Cushing, 1982).

The Working Group believed it most probable that the observed differences in LFDs are an effect of larval drift and adult migration and that the shrimps in these two areas, therefore, should be regarded as one stock.

2.2 Management Units

Quite independent of the above-mentioned scientific questions on stock separation, the Working Group was forced this year to pool the data from these two areas because of misallocation of some of the Norwegian landings prior to 1988. The Norwegian Pandalus landings are divided between the Skagerrak (Division IIIa) and the Norwegian Deeps (Division IVa) according to ports of landing, and prior to 1988 landings to some fishing ports west of Division IIIa were reported as taken in Division IIIa. From 1988 onwards, this misallocation has been corrected. In 1988, the misreported landings were around 1,200 t. However, for the years prior to 1988 the landing figures have not been corrected and this may never be possible. This break in the data series renders it impossible to make separate standard assessments for these two areas at present. Thus, this year's Working Group report gives only an assessment of the two stocks combined.

Table 2.1 shows the landings of <u>Pandalus</u> from Divisions IIIa and IV as officially reported. The other tables of landings (Tables 3.1, 4.1, and 5.1) are Working Group estimates and refer to the stocks (management units) considered by the Working Group.

Figure 2.1 shows how the geographical distribution of the stocks is presently defined according to statistical squares. Squares adjacent to the main fishing grounds are also included even if only small catches are reported from them.

3 SKAGERRAK AND THE NORWEGIAN DEEPS (DIVISIONS IIIA AND IVA EAST)

3.1 The Fishery

3.1.1 Landings

As mentioned in Section 2 it was decided to treat the <u>Pandalus</u> catches from these two areas as a single assessment unit this year. Table 3.1 gives the landings since 1970 from these two areas combined. Landings confined to Skagerrak only (Division IIIa) are shown in Table 2.1. It is noted that there has been a decline of approximately 20% since the peak catches in 1987. This decline is reflected both in Danish and Norwegian catches.

3.1.2 Discards

Discarding is known to occur, but no data on the amounts were presented.

3.1.3 Effort

Data on effort and CPUE are given in Table 3.2 which shows annual as well as quarterly figures. Danish and Swedish data are available for the whole period considered. Norway supplied data for 1986-1988. These were regressed against the corresponding Swedish CPUE data (Table 3.2, footnote) to obtain estimates of Norwegian CPUE for the remaining quarters. The quarterly figures were summed to give yearly values.

Danish and Swedish effort increased from 1988 to 1989, while Norwegian effort (according to the estimates) seems to have decreased.

3.2 Assessment

3.2.1 Age distributions

National quarterly samples of length frequencies from Division IIIa and the Norwegian Deeps, respectively, were split into normal distributions. Each normal distribution, assumed to represent an age group, is described by mean length, standard deviation, and proportion of total sample size. The mean lengths of the age groups are given in Figure 3.1. A maximum of six age groups were identified.

The quarterly national catches (in tonnes) were converted to catch in numbers at age by applying the number of shrimps per kg in the samples and the age distributions. Quarterly national figures of catch in numbers at age were added to give the yearly data.

Norway supplied samples for most quarters from 1984 quarter 3 onwards from both main areas. Denmark started a sampling programme in 1987, and Sweden in 1989. Table 3.3 gives yearly catch in numbers from 1985 onwards.

3.2.2 Mean weight at age and maturity

Quarterly length/weight relationships based on Swedish 1989 data were presented and applied to the mean length-at-age values. The relations used were ($W = aL^{(0)}$):

Quarter	a	b
1 2	0.00250 0.00310	2.658
3	0.00314	2.526
4	0.00317	2.558

Resulting mean weights at age are given in Table 3.4.

The maturity ogive for shrimp varies from year to year. The proportion of females in the 2-group in the first quarter of the year is shown below:

1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
0.62	0.09	0.20	0.30	0.68

These proportions have been used for the 2-group. The O- and 1-groups are considered immature, and the older ones fully mature.

3.2.3 Natural mortality

No new data were presented that enabled the Working Group to revise its estimates of natural mortality. The value 0.75 was used as in previous years.

3.2.4 VPA

Because of previous years' large degree of subjectivity in tuning the quarterly VPAs, it was decided this year to carry out the VPA on a yearly basis rendering it possible to apply the tuning module implemented at ICES.

National data on effort and catches in numbers at age were used as basis for the tuning procedure. The output from the tuning is presented in Table 3.5. Fleet 3 showed the smallest standard error for the logarithmic catchabilities (q) and was chosen to have terminal q estimated as the mean. The qs fluctuate without any pronounced trend; variance ratios of around 0.3 indicated a certain consistency among the estimates.

The fishing mortalities (Table 3.6) for age groups 1-3 vary between 0.36 and 0.49 during the five years of analyses.

The spawning stock biomass, calculated at the time of hatching (1 April) oscillates without any trend between 13,000 and 20,000 t (Table 3.7).

This assessment can, of course, not be directly compared with the ones for only Division IIIa, carried out in previous years. It indicates, however, a lower general level of exploitation (average 1985-1988 F = 0.42 vs. 0.6 in previous assessments) also for Division IIIa, and consequently a higher biomass estimate.

3.2.5 Recruitment

The abundance of O-group shrimp observed during survey cruises in October has always been highest in the eastern part of Skagerrak (see text table below).

Number of O-group shrimps per "swept area" in October

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
North of Stavanger	5	_	-	-	44	78
Norwegian Coast - Division IVa	_	17	-	_	27	119
Egersund Bank	19	381	44	91	259	245
Western Skagerrak	30	36	2	7	238	2,112
Eastern Skagerrak	3,047	1,787	1,430	668	1,764	7,276
Total (0-group indices)	3,101	2,221	1,476	766	2,332	9,830

Similarly, at other times of the year O-group shrimps are proportionally less abundant in the western areas. The explanation for this distribution could be that larvae from the western areas are transported eastwards by the Tampen current, cf. Section 2.1.

Figure 3.2 shows the temperature in 300 m depth at both sides of Skagerrak. For the few years available, there appears to be some covariation between temperature and recruitment. The index from the survey shown in the text table above is also highly correlated to the 1-group observed during the following year's cruise and also to the 1-group calculated by VPA (Figure 3.3).

3.2.6 Catch prediction

The input data for the prediction are shown in Table 3.8.

Both the 1988 and the 1989 year classes as 1-groups were estimated from the regression of VPA estimates of 1-group on 0-group indices (Figure 3.3). The 1988 year class, 9,747 million shrimps as 1-group, will become 3,853 million as 2-group in 1990 if a Z of 0.928 is applied. The 1989 year class is obviously very abundant and was estimated as 30,552 million 1-group.

The fishing pattern used is the 1985-1989 average, scaled to the 1989 level.

Mean weights and maturity are also applied as the 1985-1989 averages. Recruitment in 1990-1991 (16,232 million) is the 1985-1988 average from VPA.

The <u>status</u> <u>quo</u> catch in 1990 (unchanged fishing pattern and level of effort) is predicted to be 18,000 t (11,000 t in 1989) and a further increase to 23,000 t in 1991 (Table 3.9). The reason for these high estimates is the seemingly very abundant 1989 year class, which, according to this prediction, will constitute around 9,000 t (50%) of the 1990 catch and an even higher percentage of the 1991 catch.

The Working Group is of the opinion that this prediction probably is too optimistic. The unusually high 0-group index may be the result of the high temperature in 1989 influencing the behaviour of the juveniles. It should also be pointed out that the level of natural mortality is of great importance to the predicted catch level and is not estimated with great precision. There seems, however, no doubt that the 1989 year class is very abundant. This has already been confirmed by the very large amounts of small shrimps in catches, reported by fishermen.

An alternative prediction assuming average (1985-1988) 1-group abundance in 1990 gives a catch of 11,000 t in 1990 (same level as in 1989) increasing to 12,000 t in 1991 (tables not shown in the report).

4 FLADEN GROUND

4.1 The Fishery

Table 4.1 shows the landings from the Fladen Ground since 1970. The drastic reduction in catches from 1987 to 1988 was reversed during 1989. This development could indicate a quicker recovery of the stock than expected, after its presumed collapse in 1987-1988. Total landings increased from around 1,200 t in 1988 to about 3,000 t in 1989.

4.2 CPUE Data

The CPUE data are shown in Tables 4.2 and 4.3. Both the Danish and Scottish CPUE figures refer to shrimp trawler catches. The Danish data are logbook records (catch-per-day). Total effort (Table 4.3) has been calculated from CPUE and total (official) landings. In order to combine the Danish and Scottish effort, relative effort indices were made for each country, and a combined index calculated.

The quarterly effort figures reflect the seasonal variation in the fishery. In 1989, after the drop in both effort and CPUE in 1988, CPUE and effort again increased, approaching the levels before 1988.

4.3 Assessment

4.3.1 Age distribution of the catch

The basic data for estimating the quarterly age distribution of the 1989 catches are Scottish samples from landings in the first two quarters, and Norwegian survey data from the fourth quarter (Table 4.4). The age composition of both the Danish and Scottish catches was based on these scanty data from first, second, and fourth quarters, whereas the age composition of third quarter catches was taken as similar to that of 1988. This procedure may be criticized; it emphasizes the need to intensify the sampling of this fishery.

The splitting of the length distribution into age distribution was done by the Bhattacharya method, cf. Table 4.5 and Figure 4.1.

4.3.2 Mean weight at age

Mean weights at age in the catches (Table 4.6) were calculated by converting the mean lengths at age using the length/weight relationship (Anon., 1977):

 $W = 0.00264 \times CL^{2551}$

4.3.3 Natural mortality

As in previous years, M was set at 1.0 annually (Anon., 1977) for the Fladen Ground stock.

4.3.4 Fishing mortality

Owing to difficulties experienced at previous working groups in estimating input F values, this year two methods were compared in order to investigate how sensitive stock estimates and fishing mortality rates were to the choices made.

Method a):

The somewhat subjective method adopted for the previous assessment (Anon., 1989a) was used: Input F values for the fourth quarter of the most recent year were chosen such that the estimated quarterly F values followed a similar pattern to the calculated effort index (Table 4.3). Input Fs on the oldest age were adopted from 1988 levels.

Method b):

For running the VPA, input F values were required for each age group in the most recent quarter and also for the oldest age group in each data year.

Input Fs at age were obtained by constructing catchability plots of F at age (using F values for 1987 and earlier derived at the 1989 Working Group) plotted against the index of effort. Where

catch data at age were present for the last quarter of 1989, then the plots were constructed for this quarter. In cases, however, where catch data were not available for the last quarter, the VPA effectively required input F values for an earlier quarter, i.e., the first one with catch data. In these circumstances, catchability plots were constructed for the appropriate quarter.

The regression equations (through the origin) relating F to effort index, were used together with the most recent estimate of the effort index, to derive the appropriate input F at age. The quarterly VPA was then run to generate Fs and numbers at age. A development on this procedure would be to use the new F values generated to 'retune' the VPA successively until stability was reached. This was not attempted on this occasion.

The Fs obtained from the VPA for age group 2 were taken as input Fs for the oldest age (3). In practice, the top right-hand triangle of the VPA was run to give the F value for the 2-year olds in the last quarter of the year previous to the current year. This was then 'downloaded' to the 3-year olds allowing the next diagonal of the VPA to be calculated, and so on.

4.3.5 Quarterly VPAs

Tuning method a

Fishing mortalities per quarter are shown in Table 4.7. Figures 4.2 and 4.3 show the level of agreement between the estimated average Fs (mean 1-3) and the combined effort index. Agreement appears, at first sight, reasonable although there are some differences for the most recent year. Annual Fs are shown in the text table below:

Age	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
0	+	_	+	+	+	
1	0.052	0.113	0.084	0.095	0.015	0.227
2	0.671	0.460	0.746	1.446	0.116	1.141
3	0.915	1.420	0.374	1.347	0.175	0.256
F(1-3)	0.546	0.664	0.401	0.963	0.102	0.541

Estimated stock sizes for the VPA from the method a) tuning are given in Table 4.8. Total stock size and spawning stock size refer to the 1 January and 1 April, respectively. The results confirm the observation made last year (Anon., 1989a) that total stock was low at the beginning of 1988, and they suggest a further decline to the lowest level ever at the beginning of 1989. On the other hand, the 1988 spawning stock which, on the basis of last year's assessment, was thought to have declined to the lowest level ever, is now estimated to have been higher than at any other time, and to have continued at a reasonable level into 1989.

Tuning method b

The results obtained using this method present a somewhat different picture. Fishing mortalities are shown in Table 4.9. It is noticeable that the "tuned" input F values in the fourth quarter were much lower than for method a). Figures 4.4 and 4.5 show the level of agreement between average F and the effort index. Again, reasonable agreement in the pattern was achieved with improvement in the most recent year. Rather poorer agreement was evident in the periods of high effort during 1985 and 1987. Annual Fs are shown in the text table below:

Age	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
0	+	_	+	+	+	_
1	0.070	0.123	0.082	0.113	0.040	0.063
2	0.746	0.690	0.864	1.417	0.144	0.847
3	0.927	2.098	0.757	2.412	0.168	0.331
F(1-3)	0.881	0.970	0.568	1.314	0.108	0.414

Estimated stock sizes by the method b) tuning are given in Table 4.10. The results again confirm the reduction in total stock between 1987 and 1988 but suggest that stock size at the beginning of 1989 had recovered and risen to average levels. This finding is more consistent with the higher CPUEs recorded in 1989 for both the Scottish and Danish fleets (Table 4.3) which suggest an improvement in stock abundance during 1989 compared to the 1988 levels (see Section 4.1). Method b) tuning also indicated a general rise in spawning stock biomass in 1988 maintained in 1989.

4.3.6 Annual VPA

In view of the difficulties regarding tuning on quarters where effort is low and also the problem caused by an absence of catch data in the fourth quarter for some age groups, it was decided to also attempt an annual VPA, using the tuning module available at ICES Headquarters.

Combined catch-at-age data prior to 1989 were available only for Danish and Scottish landings combined. Therefore, combined catches at age (Table 4.11) and the combined index of effort for Danish and Scottish fleets (Table 4.3) were used as the basis for tuning. (In future, it should be possible to tune for each of these fleets separately.) Output from the tuning is shown in Table 4.12. Logarithmic catchabilities showed no pronounced trend and terminal q was estimated as the mean.

Annual fishing mortalities (Table 4.13) show a similar pattern to those estimated by the quarterly VPA (method b) but were generally somewhat lower, varying between 0.132 and 0.93.

Stock sizes are shown in Table 4.14 and are in general agreement with the results of the quarterly VPA, suggesting a low stock size in 1988 with some recovery since then. Spawning stock biomass (referring to the time of hatching) is relatively stable.

In view of the larger time series of data now available, annual VPA is a more realistic proposition although the marked seasonal fluctuations in the fishery and the fact that Fladen shrimps are so short-lived could still make annual assessments unreliable.

4.4 Management Considerations

Short-term predictions on the development of the Fladen Ground fishery have not been attempted at this stage because of

- a) a lack of adequate recruitment information,
- b) unpredictable variations in effort from year to year which makes selection of reference Fs very difficult.

All the VPAs presented above confirm the reduction in stock size in 1988, even if the SSB was underestimated in last year's VPA. However, both the development in the fishery in 1989 and this year's VPA estimates of stock size indicate that the stock already seems to be in the stage of recovery.

It may be that, due to the few age groups constituting the stock, a single year's (1988) reduction in effort has contributed significantly to the recovery of the stock in 1989.

The Working Group also wishes to point out that good recruitment indices would be essential for short-term prediction of a stock with such few age groups.

5 FARN DEEPS

During 1989, <u>Pandalus borealis</u> in the Farn Deeps (Division IVb) were fished by Scottish, English, and Danish boats. Catch data from all three countries have been available since 1986 and are shown in Table 5.1 (together with earlier data from England and Scotland). CPUE data from Scottish shrimp trawlers are also included.

Total landings from the Farn Deeps decreased in 1989 to 50% of the 1988 figure, largely because Danish landings fell dramatically. UK landings rose in 1989 owing to increased landings in England by English boats.

CPUE appeared to fall in 1989 but this was probably because Scottish shrimp trawl landings were only made in April and May, a period normally associated with lowest catch rates. Without catch rate data for the entire period of the shrimp fishery, it is difficult to comment on the significance of the observed trends.

Samples collected from commercial vessels in April and May suggested that the catch composition was rather different from that observed in 1987 and 1988. In 1989, over 75% of the catch was of shrimps of age 2 and older.

6 ADDITIONAL MANAGEMENT MEASURES IN THE PANDALUS FISHERY

At the consultations between Sweden, Norway, and the EEC on the regulation of fisheries in Division IIIa in 1990, the parties decided to submit to ICES the results of experimental fisheries, carried out by each party, with mesh sizes between 40 and 45 mm, to obtain advice on the appropriate mesh size in the shrimp fishery.-

It was also agreed at the consultations that Norway and Sweden should bring their proposal of introducing a weekend ban in the shrimp fishery to ICES for scientific evaluation.

These requests (in a letter dated 7 February 1990 from the National Fishery Board of Sweden) were referred to the Working Group for consideration.

6.1 Mesh Size Experiments

The Working Group received two special reports (unpublished) on experimental shrimp fishery in Skagerrak using trawls with different mesh size in the codend, one from Sweden and one from Denmark.

The results of both these experiments indicate <u>no</u> difference between the size composition of shrimps (<u>Pandalus</u>) in the trawls with 35 and 40 mm meshes in the codends. In both experiments the catches of small shrimp in the trawls with 45 mm meshes in the codend were smaller than those in the parallel hauls with 35 mm meshes. The differences were, however, mostly marginal. Norwegian selection experiments (Valdemarsen, 1988) show similar results.

It is the Working Group's opinion that increasing the mesh size in the codend from 35 mm to 45 mm will have only little effect on the <u>Pandalus</u> selection, the main reason being that the long tow time practised in the commercial fishery generally reduces the selection in the trawls drastically, at least when ordinary diamond shaped meshes are used.

The Working Group was informed (no report available) that Norwegian experiments both with square meshes and separation trawls have shown improved selection compared to standard gear.

6.2 Weekend Ban

The Working Group has no information to hand to quantify the effects of a weekend ban on the <u>Pandalus</u> stock.

If, however, such a ban leads to a reduction in fishing time that is not compensated for by bigger trawls or other ways of increasing fishing power, effort will be reduced.

Temporary halts in fishing activity may alter the catchability of shrimps by giving them more opportunities to reform aggregations (shoals). The Working Group has no information to evaluate this.

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Year		Divisio	n IIIa		Sub-area IV							
Iear	Denmark	Norway	Sweden	Total	Denmark	Norway	Sweden	UK(Engl) ¹	UK(Scotl)2	Total		
1970	757	982	2,740 ³	4,479	3,460	1,107		14	100	4,681		
1971	834	1,392	2,906	5,132	3,572	1,265		_	438	5,275		
1972	773	1,123	2,524	4,420	2,448	1,216		692	187	4,543		
1973	716	1,415	$2,130^3$	4,261	196	931		1,021	163	2,311		
1974	475	1,186	2,003 ³	3,664	337	767		50	432	1,586		
1975	743	1,463	1,740	3,946	1,392	604	261		525	2,782		
1976	865	2,541	2,212	2,212	5,618	1,051	136	186	2,006	5,240		
1977	763	2,167	1,895	4,825	782	960	124	265	1,723	3,854		
1978	757	1,841	1,529	4,127	1,592	692	78	98	2,044	4,504		
1979	973	2,489	1,752	5,214	962	594	34	238	309	2,137		
1980	1,679	3,498	2,121	7,298	1,273	1,140	38	203	406	3,060		
1981	2,593	3,753	2,210	8,556	719	1,435	31	1	341	2,527		
1982	2,920	3,877	1,421	8,218	1,069	1,545	92	_	354	3,060		
1983	1,571	3,722	988	6,281	5,725	1,657	112	65	1,836	9,395		
1984	1,717	3,509	933	6,159	4,638	1,274	120	277	25	6,334		
1985	4,105	4,772	1,474	10,351	4,582	1,785	128	415	1,347	8,257		
1986	4,686	4,811	1,357	10,854	3,896	1,681	157	458	358	6,550		
1987	4,140	5,199	1,085	10,424	9,223	3,144	252	526	774	13,919		
1988_	2,278	3,048	1,075	6,401	2,647	4,613	220	489	109	8,078		
1989 ⁵	2,451	3,149	1,303	6,903	3,223	3,262	129	181	573	7,368		

Includes other Pandalid shrimp.
Includes small amounts of other Pandalid shrimp.
Includes Sub-area IV.
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Table 3.1 Pandalus borealis landings from Divisions IIIa (Skagerrak) and IVa (eastern part) (Norwegian Deeps) ('000 tonnes) as estimated by the Working Group.

Year	Denmark	Norway	Sweden	Total
1970	1,102	1,729	2,742	5,573
1971	1,190	2,486	2,906	6,582
1972	1,017	2,477	2,524	6,018
1973	755	2,333	2,130	5,218
1974	530	1,809	2,003	4,342
1975	817	2,339	2,003	5,159
1976	1,204	3,348	2,529	7,081
1977	1,120	3,004	2,019	6,143
1978	1,459	2,440	1,609	5,508
1979	1,062	3,040	1,787	5,889
1980	1,678	4,562	2,159	8,399
1981	2,593	5,183	2,241	10,017
1982	3,766	5,042	1,450	10,258
1983	1,567	5,361	1,136	8,064
1984	1,747	4,783	1,022	7,552
1985	3,827	6,646	1,571	12,044
1986	4,834	6,490	1,463	12,787
1987	4,599	8,343	1,321	14,263
1988	3,068	7,661	1,278	12,007
1989	3,150	6,411	1,433	10,994

Year Quarte			Denmar	k		Swed	den	,			
		C/f (kg/day)	C (t)	f (days)	C/f (kg/hr)	C (t)	f (hrsx10 ⁻³)	C/f (kg/hr)	C (t)	f (hrsx10 ⁻³)	Total catch
1984	1	418	336	724	21.4	183	8.6	27.91	1,402	50.3	1,921
	2	303	264	441	18.8	234	12.4	24.6	1,053	42.8	1,551
	3	569	800	994	34.8	393	11.3	44.6	1,751	39.31	2,944
	4	488	347	722	26.7	213	8.0	34.5	577	16.7	1,137
Total,	/Average	462	1,747	2,881	25.4	1,022	40.2	32.1	4,783	149.1	7,552
1985	1	409	410	819	28.2	208	7.4	36.4	1,679	46.1,	2,297
	2	621	909	958	28.9	491	17.0	37.2	2,051	55.1	3,451
	3	833	1,482	855	33.5	484	14.5	43.01	1,600	37.21	3,566
	4	866	1,026	875	38.2	387	10.1	48.9	1,316	26.9	2,729
Total/	Average	713	3,827	3,507	32.1	1,571	48.9	40.21	6,646	165.3	12,044
1986	1	633	914	1,165	34.2	282	8.3	41.7	1,661	39.8	2,857
	2	476	1,656	934	26.6	500	18.8	29.8	1,660	55.7	
	3	625	1,464	1,220	30.9	383	12.4	40.2	1,664	41.4	3,816
	4	566	800	1,010	30.6	299	9.7	40.3	1,505	37.3	3,511
Total/	Average	558	4,834	4,329	29.7	1,463	49.2	37.2	6,490	174.3	2,604 12,787
1987	1	491	1,069	996	29.0	328	11.3	42.0	2,687	64.0	4,084
	2	474	1,511	947	20.1	388	19.3	34.1	2,722	79.8	4,621
	3	539	1,051	1,195	22.1	312	14.1	29.1	1,336	45.9	
	4	515	968	515	23.5	293	12.5	25.3	1,598	63.2	2,699
Total/	Average	498	4,599	3,653	23.1	1,321	57.2	33.0	8,343	252.9	2,859 14,263
1988	1	484	1,111	968	25.8	296	11.5	41.4	2,675	64.6	4,082
	2	421	1,094	797	20.8	429	20.6	28.2	2,254	79.9	3,777
	3	405	502	405	22.1	268	12.1	25.3	1,623	64.2	2,393
	4	379	361	379	22.4	285	12.7	21.3	1,109	52.1	1,755
rotal/	Average	428	3,068	2,499	22.5	1,278	56.9	29.4	7,661	260.8	12,007
1989 ²	1	345	529	676	22.8	297	13.0	29.6	1,707	57.7.1	2 522
	2	417	1,037	680	21.1	461	21.9	27.5	1,707	57.7 53.7	2,533
	3	545	1,111	1,097	26.8	391	14.6	34.6	2,071	53.7 59.9	2,974
	4	376	473	734	21.7	284	13.1	28.3	1,157	40.9	3,573
Fotal/	Average	434	3,150	3,187		1,433	62.6	30.21	6,411	- 1	1,914 10,994

¹ Estimated from CPUE (Norway) = CPUE (Sweden) * 1,248 + 1.18. Preliminary.

Table 3.3 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS

Pandalus in Division IIIa and Norwegian Deeps (Division IVa East)

CATCH IN NU	MBERS	UNIT:	millions		
	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
0 1 2 3 4 5+	35 742 1249 246 111 0	11 875 969 537 34 2	10 869 947 561 116	36 447 599 380 222 0	71 1124 522 323 44 0
TOTAL	2384	2428	2514	1684	2084

Table 3.4 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS

Pandalus in Division IIIa and Norwegian Deep (Division IVa East)

MEAN	WEIG	HT AT AG	E OF THE	STOCK	UNIT:	gram
		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
	0	.710	.980	.700	.960	1,180
	1	3.000	3.290	2.630	2.880	3,410
	2	5.360	5.550	4.550	5.360	6.590
	3	9.150	8.490	8.570	9.070	9.260
	4	12.290	12.450	11.560	12.670	12.830
	5+	16.250	16.100	14.160	.000	.000

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Module run at 15.13.27 06 HARCH 1990
DISAGGREGATED OS
LOG TRANSFORMATION
Explanatory variate TIME
         Fleet 1, DENMARK , has terminal q estimated from trend
Fleet 2, NORMAY , has terminal q estimated from trend
Fleet 3, SWEDEN , has terminal q estimated as the mean
FLEETS COMBINED BY ** VARIANCE **
        Terminal Fs estimated using Hybrid method
          Regression weights
         Regression weights
, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000,
Oldest age F = 1.000*average of 2 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions
         Fishing mortalities
                                            86.
                                                          87.
                                                                        88. 89.
                   0, .003, .001, .001, .002, .005, 1, .083, .175, .203, .101, .178, 2, .417, .269, .559, .392, .301, 3, .785, .626, .468, .971, .768, 4, .601, .448, .513, .682, .535,
        Log catchability estimates
           Age 0
           Fleet, 85, 86, 87, 88,
                1 ,-14.73,-16.29,-16.11,-20.64,-14.46
                2 ,-11.87,-12.59,-13.07,-11.81,-11.07
3 ,-11.46,-12.91,-13.14,-11.54,-13.01
                                                                                                             SUMMARY STATISTICS
                                                                                 Fleet , Pred. , SE(q),Partial,Raised, SLOPE , SE ,INTRCPT, SE , Q , F , F , Slope , ,Intrcpt
                                                                                       1 ,-17.21 , 3.513, .0001 , .0003, -381E+00, .878E+00,-15.306, 2.913

2 ,-11.61 , .982, .0019 , .0030, .238E+00, .246E+00,-12.796, .814

3 ,-12.41 , .917, .0003 , .0093, .000E+00, .000E+00,-12.412, .374

Fbar SIGMA(int) SIGMA(ext.) SIGMA(everall) variance ratio

.005 ,658 ,658 ,662
         Age 1
Fleet,
                           85,
                                         86, 87, 88, 89
               1 ,-11.65,-11.06,-10.86,-12.50,-11.42
               2 , -8.32, -7.60, -7.71, -8.16, -7.44
3 , -8.31, -7.84, -7.96, -8.11, -8.10
                                                                               SUMMARY STATISTICS
Fleet , Pred. , SE(q),Partial,Raised, SLOPE , SE ,INTRCPT, SE , q , , F , F , , Slope , ,Intrcpt
                                                                                      . 1, -11.69 , .908, .0266 , .1351, -.978E-01, .227E+00,-11.203, .753
2 , -7.61 , .474 , .1052 , .1511, .119E+00, .118E+00, -8.206, .393
3 , -8.06 , .196, .0197 , .1848, .000E+00, .000E+00, -8.064, .080
Fbar SIGMA(int.) SIGMA(ext.) SIGMA(overall) Variance ratio .178 .177 .625E-01 .177 .124
        Age 2
Fleet,
                            85, 86, 87,
                                                                        88,
             1 ,-10.16,-10.67, -9.94, -9.45,-10.82
2 , -6.60, -7.14, -6.63, -7.43, -7.04
3 , -6.75, -7.38, -7.05, -7.31, -7.11
                                                                              SUMMARY STATISTICS
Fleet , Pred. , SE(q),Partial,Raised, SLOPE , SE ,INTRCPT, SE , q , , F , F , , Slope , ,Intrcpt
                                                                                    1 ,-10.23 , .810 , .1152 , .5441 , -926E-07 , .203E+00, -10.181 , .672  
2 ,-7.20 , .441 , .1582 , .2556 , .117E+00 , .110E+00, -6.619 , .366  
3 ,-7.12 , .271 , .0505 , .2986 , .000E+00 , .000E+00 , -7.122 , .111  
Fbar SIGMA(int.) SIGMA(ext.) SIGMA(overall) variance ratio  
.300 , .222 , .336
. Age 3
Fleet, 85,
                                       86,
                                                     87,
                                                                     88,
            1, -9.92, -9.81,-10.15, -8.84,-10.16
2, -5.74, -6.32, -6.80, -6.25, -5.93
3, -6.41, -6.48, -7.22, -6.38, -6.65
                                                                                                         SUMMARY STATISTICS
                                                                             Fleet , Pred. , SE(q), Partial, Raised, SLOPE , SE .INTRCPT, SE , q , , F , F , F , , Slope , .Intrcpt
                                                                                   1 , 9,68 , 786 , 1999 , 1,2433 , 495E-01 , 197E-00, -9,924 , .652 
2 , -6,27 , .587 , 4019 , .5478 , -310E-01 , 147E-00 , -6,114 , .487 
3 , -6,63 , .381 , .080 , .7853 , .000E-00 , .000E-00 , -6,626 , .155 
Fbar SIGMA(int.) SIGMA(ext.) SIGMA(everall) variance ratio .765 , .296 , .355
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 $\frac{\text{Table 3.6}}{\text{PANDALUS}} \quad \frac{\text{VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS}}{\text{PANDALUS}} \quad \text{IN DIVISION III-A AND NORWEGIAN DEEPS (DIVISION IV A East)}$

FISHING MO	RTALITY	COEFFICI	ENT	UNIT: Yea	ar-1	NATURAL	MORTALITY	COEFFICIENT	=	.75
	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1985-89				
0 1 2 3 4 5+	.003 .083 .417 .785 .601	.001 .175 .269 .626 .448	.001 .203 .559 .468 .513	.002 .101 .391 .971 .682	.005 .178 .300 .765 .535	.003 .148 .387 .723 .556				
(1- 3)U (2- 3)U	.429 .601	.357 .448	.410 .513	.488 .681	.414 .533					

Table 3.7 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS
PANDALUS IN DIVISION III-A AND NORWEGIAN DEEPS (DIVISION IV A East)

STOCK SIZ	E IN NUM	BERS	UNIT: m	illions					
BIOMASS T	OTALS	UNIT:	tonnes						
ALL VALUE: STOCK DAT USED: PROI PROI	A REFLEC PORTION	T THE ST	OCK SITU	ATION AT RE SPAWN	SPAWNIN ING:	G TIME, .200			
	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1985-88		
0 1 2 3 4 5+	16271 13208 5073 612 336 1	14098 7662 5743 1579 132 6	13931 6652 3038 2073 399 40	20627 6574 2566 821 613	20454 9719 2807 819 147	0 9614 3844 982 180 41	16232 8524 4105 1271 370 12		
TOTAL NO SPS NO TOT.BIOM SPS BIOM	35502 3080 88118 19874	29221 1665 86044 13376	26132 2343 64006 19330	31201 1594 67701 13866	33946 2183 85250 16623				

Table 3.8

List of input variables for the ICES prediction program.

PANDALUS IN SKAGERRAK (IIIA) AND NORWEGIAN DEEPS (IVA E) The reference F is the mean F for the age group range from $\,1$ to $\,3$

The number of recruits per year is as follows:

Year	Recruitment
1990	16232.0
1991	16232.0
1992	16232.0

Proportion of F (fishing mortality) effective before spawning: .2000 Proportion of M (natural mortality) effective before spawning: .2500

Data are printed in the following units:

Number of fish: millions
Weight by age group in the catch: gram
Weight by age group in the stock: gram
Stock biomass: tonnes
Catch weight: tonnes

+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
;	1	ļ	fishing¦	natural;	maturity!	weight in	weight in
į		stock size					
+		+		•	•	•	
H	0 ;	16232.0	,00;	.75¦	.00¦	.906	.906
1	1;	30552.0;	.15¦	.75	.00	3.040	3.040
- !	2	3853.0;	.38	.75¦	.38¦	5.482	5.482
- !	3;	908.0	.71	.75	1.00	8.900	8,900!
1	4	178.0	.55	.75	1.00	12.360	12,360
1	5+	39.0	.55	.75	1.00	15.480	15.480
+	+						

Table 3.9

Effects of different levels of fishing mortality on catch, stock biomass and spawning stock biomass.

PANDALUS IN SKAGERRAK (IIIA) AND NORWEGIAN DEEPS (IVA E)

	+	Year 199	0		Year 1991					++ Year 1992		
fac- tor	ref.	stock biomass	sp.stock¦ biomass¦	catch	fac-¦ tor¦	ref. F	stock biomass	sp.stock biomass	catch	stock¦ biomass¦	sp.stock biomass	
1.0	.41	140	14	18	.0; .1; .2; .4; .6; .8; 1.0; 1.2; 1.4; 1.6; 1.8; 2.0;	.00 .04 .08 .17 .25 .33 .41 .50 .58 .66 .74	121	34 33 32 32 31 31 30 29 29 28 28	0; 3; 5; 10; 15; 19; 23; 27; 30; 34; 37; 39;	117; 114; 109; 104; 100; 96; 92; 88; 85;	57 54 52 47 42 38 34 31 28 25 23	

The data unit of the biomass and the catch is 1000 tonnes.

The spawning stock biomass is given for the time of spawning.

The spawning stock biomass for 1992 has been calculated with the same fishing mortality as for 1991. The reference F is the mean F for the age group range from 1 to 3

Table 4.1 Landings (t) of <u>Pandalus</u> <u>borealis</u> from the Fladen Ground (Division IVa) as estimated by the Working Group.

Year	Denmark	Fed.Rep.of Germany	Norway	UK (Scotland)	Total
1970	3,115	-	_	103	3,218
1971	3,216	33	_	439	3,688
1972	2,204	-	-	187	2,391
1973	157	_	_	163	320
1974	282	-	-	434	716
1975	1,308	_	_	525	1,833
1976	1,552	-	_	1,937	3,489
1977	425	_	112	1,692	2,229
1978	890	-	81	2,027	2,998
1979	565	-	44	268	877
1980	1,122	-	76	377	1,575
1981	685	-	1	347	1,033
1982	283	-	_	352	635
1983	5,729	-	8	1,827	7,564
1984	4,553	-	13	25	4,591
1985	3,649	-	_	1,341	4,990
1986	3,416	-	_	301	3,717
1987	7,326	_	_	686	8,012
1988	1,077	_	-	84	1,161
1989	2,438	=	-	547	2,985

Table 4.2 Pandalus borealis CPUE from the Fladen Ground.

Year	Denmark ¹	UK (Scotland) ²
1970	_	31
1971	_	66
1972	117	69
1973	45	87
1974	122	124
1975	187	128
1976	105	115
1977	105	76
1978	_	81
1979	_	51
1980	_	44
1981	-	45
1982	0.96	74
1983	1.18	89
1984	0.97	37
1985	1.21	86
1986	0.96	71
1987	1.24	81
1988	0.83	44
1989	0.99	65

¹ Denmark, 1972-1977: kg per hour.

^{1982-1988:} tonnes per day. ² Scotland, kg per hour.

Table 4.3 Pandalus. Effort indices, Fladen Ground.

			Denr	nark			UK (So	cotland)			
Year	Quarter	CPUE (t/day)	Total catch	f	Index ¹	CPUE (kg/h)	Total catch	f	Index ¹	Combined index ²	
1984	1	1.27	2,809	2,212	1.68	_	-	-	_	1,68	
	2 3	0.75	1,407	1,876	1.43	37	25	676	0.21	1.41	
	3	0.57	273	479	0.36	_	-	-	_	0.36	
	4	0.56	63	113	0.09	-	-	-	-	0.09	
1985	1	1.16	1,742	1,502	1.14	72	359	4,986	1.58	1.22	
	2	1.24	1,617	1,304	0.99	88	770	8,750	2.78	1.57	
	3	1.47	289	197	0.15	114	212	1,869	0,59	0.34	
	4	0.04	0.1	3	0.002	-	-	-	-	0.002	
1986	1	1.12	1,130	1,009	0.77	72	80	1,111	0.35	0.74	
	2	0.89	833	936	0.71	68	150	2,206	0.70	0.71	
	3 4	0.94	1,255	1,335	1.02	77	71	922	0.29	0.98	
	4,	0.71	200	282	0.21	-	-	-	-	0.21	
1987	1	1.21	2,336	1,931	1.47	89	131	1,473	0.47	1.42	
	2 3	1.20	2,643	2,203	1.68	79	509	6,443	2.05	1.72	
	3	1.43	2,014	1,408	1.07	78	45	577	0.18	1.05	
	4	0.89	333	374	0.28	-	-	_	-	0.28	
1988	1	0.886	637	719	0.55	45.7	2	40	0.01	0.54	
	2	0.775	366	434	0.33	43.5	76	1,744	0.55	0.37	
	2 3	0.748	37	49	0.04	_	_	-	-	0.04	
	4	0.466	37	79	0.06	-	-	-	-	0.06	
1989	1	0.916	546	596	0.454	53	24	453	0.144	0.44	
	2	0.924	1,088	1,177	0.896	57	302	5,298	1.683	1.067	
	3	1.273	671	527	0.401	83	221	2,663	0.846	0.511	
	4	0.732	133	182	0.138	-		_,,,,,	-	0.138	

Relative to average effort in first-third quarters in 1985-1987. Weighted by total landings.

 $\frac{\text{Table 4.4}}{\text{Catch in numbers (millions)}} \ \frac{\text{Pandalus}}{\text{Catch in numbers (millions)}} \ \text{by age and quarter.}$

Pandal UNITS	us = millions		Fladen		ı	CATCH AT A	GE IN NUM	IBERS	(-1 REPRESENTS < HALF A UNIT)				
	1984 1	2	3	4	1985 1	2	3	4	1986 1	2	3	4	
0 1 2 3 4+	0 71 319 227 0	0 183 234 46 0	0 42 41 13 0	1 16 3 0	0 18 366 163 0	0 260 434 30 0	0 76 75 2 0	0 0 0 0	0 17 196 77 0	0 87 181 22 0	0 203 198 61 0	1 52 11 0 0	
	1987 1	2	3	4	1988 1	2	3	4	1989 1	2	3	4	
0 1 2 3 4+	0 20 506 81 0	0 118 644 75 0	0 315 307 9 0	1 87 18 0 0	0 1 178 21 0	0 8 126 10 0	0 4 5 0	1 3 4 0	0 14 68 58 0	0 150 141 143 0	0 112 114 0 0	0 30 4 0	

Table 4.5 Pandalus, Fladen Ground, 1989.

Mean carapace lengths (mm) at age and proportions at age. Estimated using Bhattacharya method.

			Quarter							
Year class	Age		1	2	3 ¹	4				
1989	o	x prop.	-	-	-	-				
1988	1	\bar{x} prop.	11.71 0.099	12.45 0.346	15.96 0.495	16.96 O.875				
1987	2	x prop.	17.16 0.483	17.10 0.324	18.42 0.505	19.47 0.125				
1986	3	x	19.42 0.418	19.43 0.330						

¹ From 1988 data.

Table 4.6 Pandalus, Fladen Ground.

Mean weight at age (g) by age and quarter.

Pandalus UNITS = g			Fladen				WEIGHT A	WEIGHT AT AGE		(-1 REPRESENTS < 0.0005 UNIT)				
	1984 1	2	3	4	1985 1	2	3	4	1986 1	2	3	4		
0 1 2 3 4+	.000 .850 3.380 5.720 .000	.000 1.240 3.070 5.200 .000	.000 1.770 3.660 5.680 .000	.610 2.320 4.100 6.880 .000	.000 1.200 2.970 4.150 .000	.000 1.870 3.170 5.000	.000 1.770 3.660 5.680 .000	.610 2.320 4.100 6.880 .000	.000 1.000 3.210 5.060 .000	.000 1.450 3.190 5.120 .000	.000 1.770 3.660 5.680 .000	.610 2.320 4.100 6.880 .000		
	1987 1	2	3	4	1988 1	2	3	4	1989 1	2	3	4		
0 1 2 3 4+	.000 .990 3.280 5.380 .000	.000 1.290 3.340 5.170 .000	.000 1.770 3.660 5.680 .000	.610 2.320 4.100 6.880 .000	.000 .660 3.040 5.100 .000	.000 1.280 3.050 5.000	.000 3.090 4.460 5.680	1.110 3.600 5.100 6.880	.000 1.400 3.720 5.100	.000 1.640 3.690 5.110	.000 3.090 4.460 6.880 .000	.000 3.610 5.140 6.880 .000		

Table 4.7 Pandalus, Fladen Ground.
Fishing mortalities by age and quarter (Method a).

Pandal	us		Fladen				F /	AT AGE	(-1 REPRESENTS < 0.0005 UNIT)			
	1984 1	2	3	4	1985 1	2	3	4	1986 1	2	3	4
0 1 2 3 4+	.000 .009 .255 .583 .000	.000 .030 .318 .232 .000	.000 .009 .089 .100 .000	-1.000 .004 .009 .000 .000	.000 .004 .138 .922 .000	.000 .078 .255 .448 .000	.000 .031 .067 .050 .000	.000 .000 .000 .000	.000 .002 .142 .124 .000	.000 .016 .200 .050 .000	.000 .049 .371 .200 .000	-1.000 .017 .033 .000 .000
	1987 1	2	3	4	1988 1	2	3	4	1989 1	2	3	4
0 1 2 3 4+	.000 .002 .232 .376 .000	.000 .016 .552 .771 .000	.000 .056 .598 .200	-1.000 .021 .064 .000	.000 .001 .056 .105 .000	.000 .006 .054 .070 .000	.000 .004 .003 .000	-1.000 .004 .003 .000	.000 .006 .110 .056 .000	.000 .091 .370 .200	.000 .095 .621 .000	.000 .035 .040 .000
F 1- 3	.203	.446	.285	.028	.054	.043	.002	.002	.058	.220	.239	.025

Table 4.8 Pandalus, Fladen Ground.

Stock sizes in numbers (millions) by age and quarter. Total stock size and biomass (tonnes) shown for first quarter. Spawning stock size and biomass shown for second quarter. (Method a).

O-GRO	alus DRTION OF F DUP NOT ACC S = million	OUNTED FO	Fladen L 2) BEFO R IN TOTA	RE SPAWN L NUMBER	TNG = .OC	STOCK AT) PROPOR SS	AGE IN NU TION OF N	JMBERS 1 (INTERVA	(-1 REF L 2) BEFO	PRESENTS < PRE SPAWNI	HALF A UNG = .00	
	1984 1	2	2		1985				1986			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0 1 2 3 4+	0 9157 1596 574 0	0 7069 963 250 0	0 5344 546 154 0	6499 4125 389 0 0	0 5060 3199 300 0	0 3925 2170 93 0	0 2828 1310 46 0	10424 2136 954 0	0 8118 1663 743 0	0 6307 1123 511 0	0 4836 716 379 0	14113 3588 385 0
TOT	11327				8559				10525			~
SPN TBM	16460	731			16010	1178				1073		
SSB	20 100	2777			16818	3904			17218	4409		
	1987 1	2	3	4	1988 1	2	3	4	1989 1	2	3	4
0 1 2 3 4+	0 10990 2748 290 0	0 8542 1697 155 0	0 6548 761 56 0	2596 4823 326 0 0	0 2021 3680 238 0	0 1573 2709 167 0	0 1218 1999 0 0	3246 945 1552 0	0 2527 733 1206 0	0 1956 511 888 0	0 1391 275 0 0	0 985 115 0
TOT SPN TBM	14028 21455	1004			5938	1521			4466	1144	Ü	U
SSB	21400	3636			13733	4966			12414	5481		

Table 4.9 Pandalus, Fladen Ground.
Fishing mortalities by age and quarter (Method b).

Panda1	us		Fladen				F #	F AT AGE		(-1 REPRESENTS < 0.0005 UNIT)			
	1984 1	2	3	4	1985 1	2	3	4	1986 1	2	3	4	
0 1 2 3 4+ F 1- 3	.000 .012 .277 .589 .000	.000 .040 .357 .236 .000	.000 .012 .102 .102 .000	-1.000 .006 .010 .000 .000	.000 .004 .192 1.194 .000	.000 .085 .387 .793 .000	.000 .034 .111 .111 .000	.000 .000 .000 .000	.000 .002 .158 .222 .000	.000 .016 .227 .096 .000	.000 .048 .439 .439 .000	-1.000 .016 .040 .000 .000	
	1987 1	2	3	4	1988 1	2	3	4	1989 1	2	. 3	4	
0 1 2 3 4+	.000 .002 .230 .489	.000 .019 .543 1.341 .000	.000 .067 .582 .582	-1.000 .025 .062 .000	.000 -1.000 .069 .101	.000 .005 .067 .067	.000 .003 .004 .000	-1.000 .003 .004 .000	.000 .002 .091 .070 .000	.000 .026 .293 .261 .000	.000 .026 .434 .000	.000 .009 .025 .000	
F 1- 3	.241	.634	.411	.029	.057	.046	.002	.002	.055	.193	.153	.011	

Table 4.10 Pandalus, Fladen Ground.

Stock sizes in numbers (millions) by age and quarter. Total stock size and biomass (tonnes(shown for first quarter. Spawning stock size and biomass shown for second quarter (Method b).

Pandalus F1 aden STOCK AT AGE IN NUMBERS (-1 REPRESENTS < HALF A UNIT) PROPORTION OF F (INTERVAL 2) BEFORE SPAWNING = .00 PROPORTION OF M (INTERVAL 2) BEFORE SPAWNING = .00 O-GROUP NOT ACCOUNTED FOR IN TOTAL NUMBER OR BIOMASS UNITS = millions O n n n O n TOT SPN TBM SSB Ω 234 . O n n TOT SPN TBM SSB

Table 4.11 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS.

PANDALUS IN FLADEN GROUND (IVA)

CATCH IN N	UMBERS	UNIT:	UNIT: millions					
	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989		
1 2 3 4+	312 597 286 0	354 875 195 0	359 586 160 0	540 1475 165 0	16 313 31 0	306 327 201 0		
TOTAL	1195	1424	1105	2180	360	834		

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Table 4.12
 DISAGGREGATED Qs
 LOG TRANSFORMATION
NO explanatory variate (Mean used)
 Fleet 1 DKSCOT
Fleet 1 ,DKSCOT , has terminal q estimated as the mean FLEETS COMBINED BY ** VARIANCE **
Regression weights
      , 1.000, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000, 1.000,
Oldest age F = 1.000*average of 1 younger ages. Fleets combined by variance of predictions
Fishing mortalities
   Age.
           84,
                  85.
                        86,
                               87.
                                      88.
                                             89,
     1, .067, .111, .070, .107, .007, .042,
     2, .456, .699, .700, 1.344, .194, .457,
     3, .456, .699, .700, 1.344, .194, .457,
Log catchability estimates
 Age 1
Fleet,
          84.
                        86.
                               87.
   1, -3.14, -2.20, -2.76, -2.84, -4.10, -3.01
                                               SUMMARY STATISTICS
                                  Fleet , Pred. , SE(q), Partial, Raised,
                                                                          SLOPE
                                                                                              ,INTRCPT, SE
                                        , 9
                                                       , F , F ,
                                                                                      Slope
                                                                                                      .Intropt
                                    1 , -3.01 , .673, .0420 , .0420,
                                                                          .000E+00.
                                                                                      .000E+00, -3.007, .254
                                              SIGMA(int.) SIGMA(ext.)
                                     Fbar
                                                                            SIGMA(overall) Variance ratio
                                      .042
                                                 .673
                                                                  0.000
                                                                               .673
                                                                                              0.000
Age 2
Fleet,
          84.
                 85,
                       86,
                              87.
                                     88,
   1, -1.22, -.36, -.46, -.31, -.75, -.62
                                               SUMMARY STATISTICS
                                 Fleet , Pred. , SE(q), Partial, Raised,
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, , F , F ,

SIGMA(ext.)

0.000

1 , -.62 , .364, .4569 , .4569,

SIGMA(int.)

.364

, q

Fbar

.457

SLOPE

.000E+00,

.364

SE

Slope

SIGMA(overall) Variance ratio

,INTRCPT, SE

.000E+00, -.621, .138

0.000

Intropt

Table 4.13 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS.

PANDALUS IN FLADEN GROUND (IVA)

FISHING MORTALITY C		COEFFICI	ENT	UNIT: Year-1		NATURAL MORTALITY		COEFFICIENT =		1.00
	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1984-88			
1	.067	.111	.070	.107	.007	.042	.072			
2	. 456	.699	.700	1.343	.194	. 457	.679			
3	. 456	.699	.700	1.344	.194	. 457	.679			
4+	.456	.699	.700	1.344	.194	. 457	.679			
(1- 3)U	326	.503	.490	.931	.132	.319				

Table 4.14 VIRTUAL POPULATION ANALYSIS.

PANDALUS IN FLADEN GROUND (IVA)

STOCK SIZE IN NUMBERS UNIT: millions

BIOMASS TOTALS

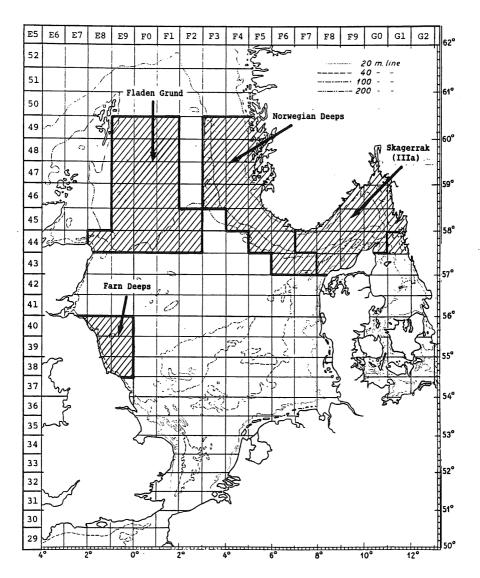
UNIT: tonnes

ALL VALUES, EXCEPT THOSE REFERRING TO THE SPAWNING STOCK ARE GIVEN FOR 1 JANUARY; THE SPAWNING STOCK DATA REFLECT THE STOCK SITUATION AT SPAWNING TIME, WHEREBY THE FOLLOWING VALUES ARE USED: PROPORTION OF ANNUAL F BEFORE SPAWNING: .330

PROPORTION OF ANNUAL M BEFORE SPAWNING: .250

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990 1	984-88
1 2 3 4+	7563 2486 1191 0	5290 2602 580 0	8301 1742 476 0	8345 2846 318 0	3720 2758 273 0	11727 1359 835 0	0 4137 317 195	6644 2487 568 0
TOTAL NO SPS NO TOT.BIOM SPS BIOM	11241 1631 24516 7228	8472 1163 20237 4056	10519 833 22800 3376	11509 871 25757 3260	6752 1207 17810 4122	13922 1015 37240 4672		

Year	UK (England)	UK (Scotland)	Denmark	Total	CPUE kg/hr (Scotland)
1977	227	-	No data	_	-
1978	91	2	_	-	No data
1979	235	34	_	-	No data
1980	203	17	_	_	60
1981	1	_	_	_	-
1982	_	_	_	_	~
1983	65	_	_	-	_
1984	30	_	_	-	_
1985	2	6	_	~	70
1986	137	57	106	300	127
1987	212	86	92	390	101
1988	91	25	384	500	67
1989	168	8	72	248	44



 $\frac{\text{Figure 2.1}}{\text{as defined by statistical squares}} \text{ The management units of } \frac{\text{Pandalus}}{\text{squares}} \text{ in ICES Sub-area IV and Division IIIa}$

Figure 3.1

Quarterly mean length of Pandalus yearclasses in divisions IIIa + IVa eastern part

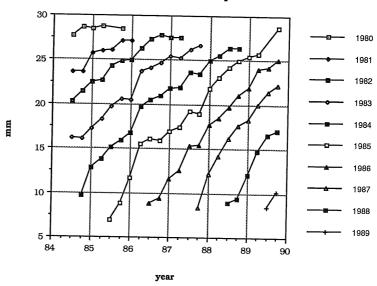
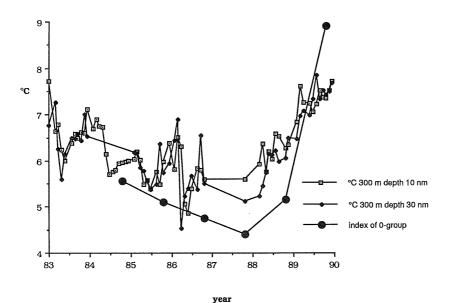


Figure 3.2

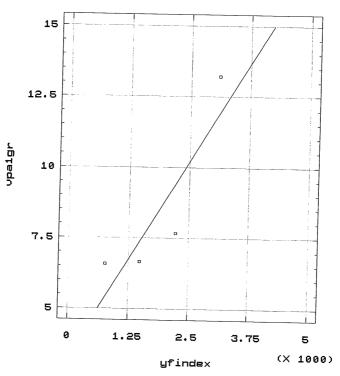
Temperatures at 300 m depth, 10 and 30 nautical miles south-east of Arendal, and index of O-group abundance from survey



 $\frac{\text{Figure 3.3}}{\text{(Year classes 1984-1987.)}} \text{ Regression of VPA estimates of 1-group on 0-group indices.}$

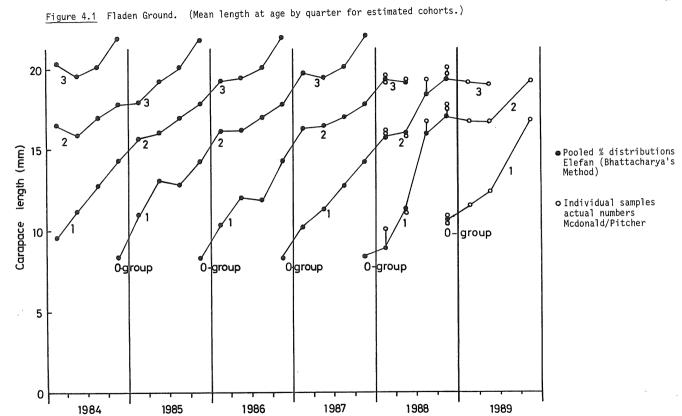
Regression of VPA-1-gr on YFindex(0-GR)

(X 1000)



Regression: Y = 2.775 * X + 3277.3 $r^2 = 0.7730$

Year class 1988 as 1-group: $9747 * 10^6$ Year class 1989 as 1-group: $30552 * 10^6$



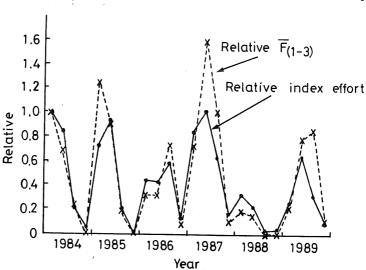


Figure 4.2 Fladen. Effort index and average F using method a) tuning.

Figure 4.3 Fladen. Average F vs. effort index using method a) tuning.

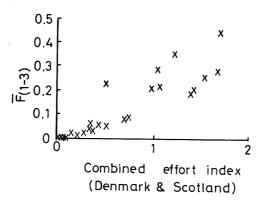


Figure 4.4 Fladen. Effort index and average F using method b) tuning.

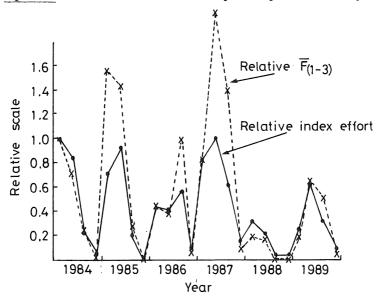
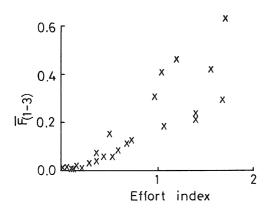


Figure 4.5 Fladen. Average F vs. effort index using method b) tuning.



ANNEX 1

A MULTIVARIATE EXERCISE ON SEPARATION OF PANDALUS "STOCKS"

Background

In the following, data on <u>P. borealis</u> in the North Sea - Skagerrak areas were considered. In these waters, well defined, geographically separated areas with <u>Pandalus</u> are found at the Farn Deeps and Fladen Ground, each of which are considered as unit stocks for assessment purposes. There is a continuous distribution of <u>P. borealis</u> from the Norwegian Deeps along the west coast of Norway to the Skagerrak, and in the ICES <u>Pandalus</u> Assessment Working Group there has been some discussion whether the populations living there should be considered as one or more stocks. There are some biological characteristics that indicate difference, e.g., growth rates, between shrimps from the Skagerrak and those in the Norwegian Deeps and, based on these differences, the Working Group has hitherto assumed two stocks in this area, even if the basis for this separation is somewhat tentative (Annon., 1989a).

Data

The data originally consisted of 1 mm length frequencies by sex (males, inter-sexes, and females), from 22 trawl hauls, grouped into three areas: Fladen Ground (10 hauls), Norwegian Deeps (5 hauls), and Skagerrak(7 hauls). The data were collected during a Danish two-week shrimp survey in November-December 1988.

Results

The original data were joined into 2 mm length groups (7 male, 4 inter-sex, and 7 female groups), and the numbers in each 2 mm length groups were logtransformed.

A Discriminant Function Analysis (DFA) was performed on the male and female length groups.

Discriminant analysis is useful when you have data that are a $\underline{\text{priori}}$ classified into two or more groups and you want to find one or more functions of quantitative measurements that will help you to discriminate among groups.

Text table: Discriminant Analysis For Area

Discriminant function	Eigenvalue	Relative percentage	Canonical correlation 0.998 0.937		
1 2	280.6 7.2	97.5 2.5			
Function derived	Wilks lambda	Chi-square	DF	P-value	
0 1	0.00043 0.12206	96.80 26.29	28 13	<0.001 0.016	

The text table shows the generation of the canonical discriminant functions. The aim is to obtain a small number of functions useful for discriminating among the three groups. In this case, both functions are significant, but function 1 is very good.

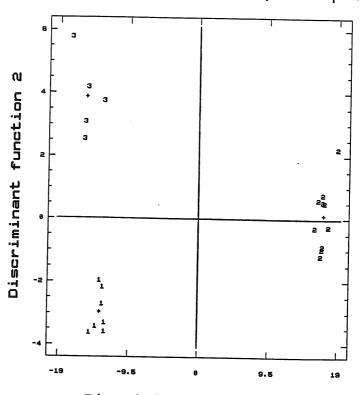
The DFA clearly indicated three groups of <u>Pandalus</u>, with the Fladen Ground shrimps most separated from the others "along" function 1 (Annex 1, Figure 1).

The separation between the Skagerrak and Norwegian Deep "along" function 2 is not so well pronounced.

Summary

These particular results should, naturally, not be taken as conclusive for stock separation purposes. This is especially so because the data are limited with respect to a given set of biological variables which need to be interpreted in a wider context. Furthermore, neither temporal factors nor fishing influence (e.g., differences in effort) were analyzed.

Discriminant Analysis For Area Skagerrak (1), Fladen (2), N.deep (3)



Discriminant function 1

Annex 1, Figure 1 Discriminant function plot.
Discriminant analysis performed on male and female length frequencies.