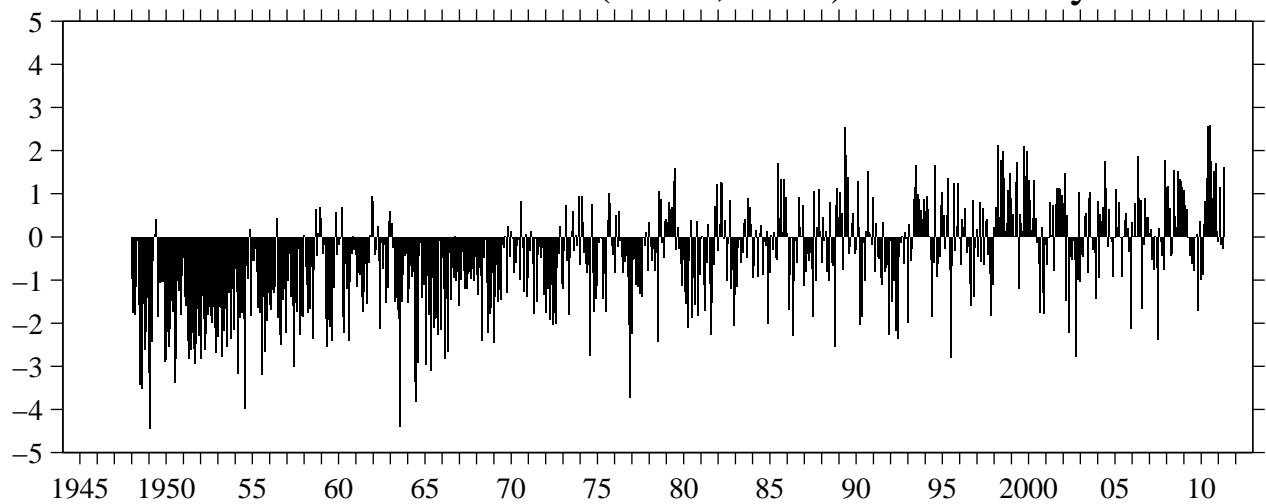


Southern Annular Mode (SAM, AAO) 1948 – May 2011



Leading PC of NCEP – NCAR reanalysis sea-level pressure anomalies, 20–90°S, for 1979–2010.
The spatial pattern was then projected onto the entire record,
and the time series standardized with respect to 1979–2010.