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# Methods and models for multivariate data analysis

Lecture 2. A bit about time (practice).

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# Fac et excusa– act now, excuse later

(Finite difference processes)



Main modelling concepts:

- ✓ What if we can make a stationary process and study it?
- ✓ How do we model the non-stationary part?
  - Polynomial Fitting
  - AR\* models
  - Fourier transform (?)
  - DE
  - ...
- ✓ And what is the difference between  $T(t)$  and  $S(t)$ ? Should we remove

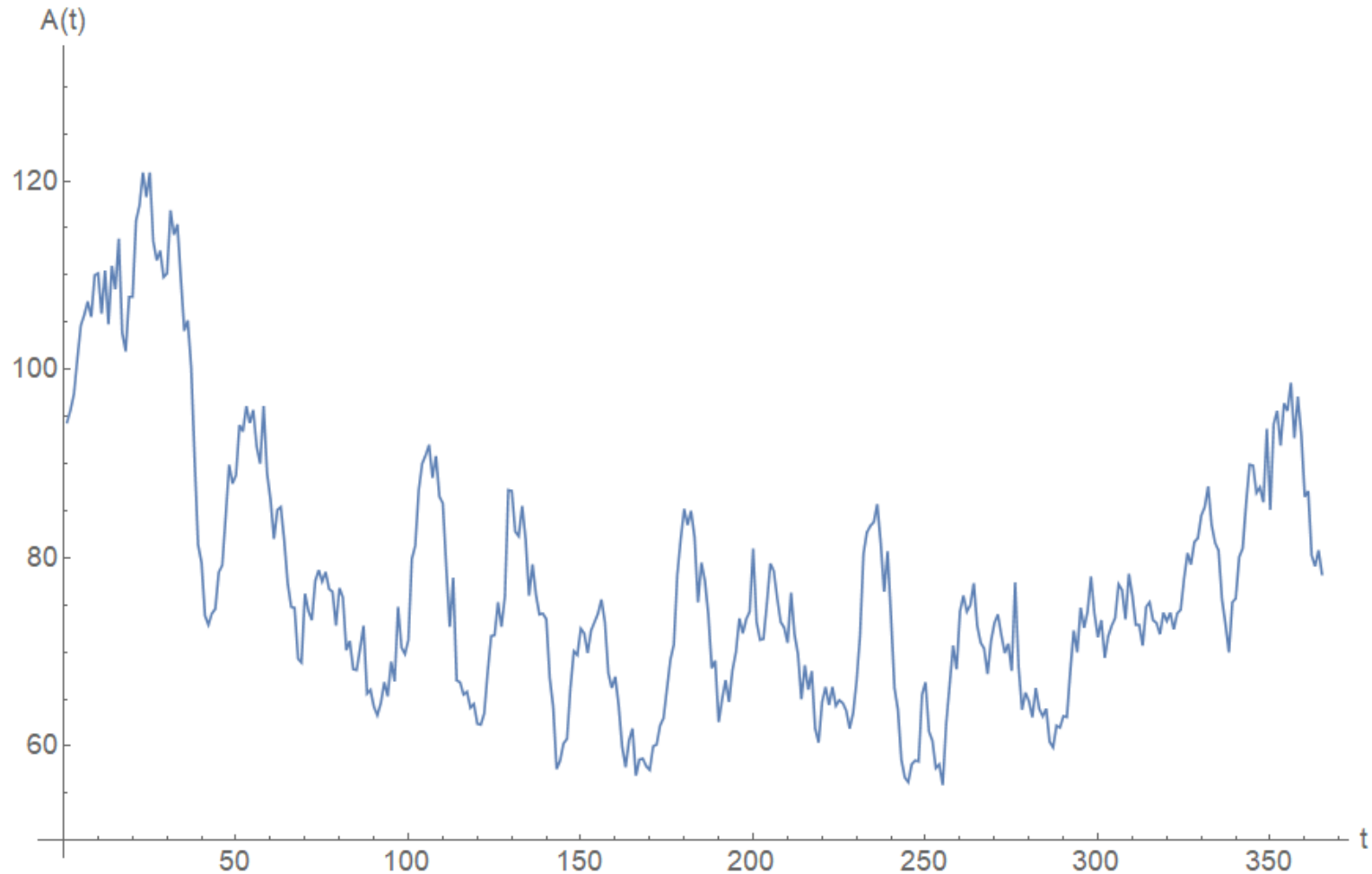
$S(t)$ ?  
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# Flashback: AR(p) models

- ✓ Model is:  $y_t = a_1 y_{t-1} + a_2 y_{t-2} + \dots + a_p y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t$ 
  - $y_t = a_1 y_{t-1} + a_2 y_{t-2} + \dots + a_p y_{t-p}$  - with truncated noise
  - We need something like a linear system to find  $a_i$
  - $A = \begin{pmatrix} (y_{t-1}, y_{t-1}) & \dots & (y_{t-1}, y_{t-p}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (y_{t-p}, y_{t-p}) & \dots & (y_{t-p}, y_{t-p}) \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} (y_t, y_{t-1}) \\ \vdots \\ (y_t, y_{t-p}) \end{pmatrix}$
  - Solve for  $x$ :  $Ax = b$ , where  $x = (a_1, \dots, a_p)$
  - After that unit root test is used

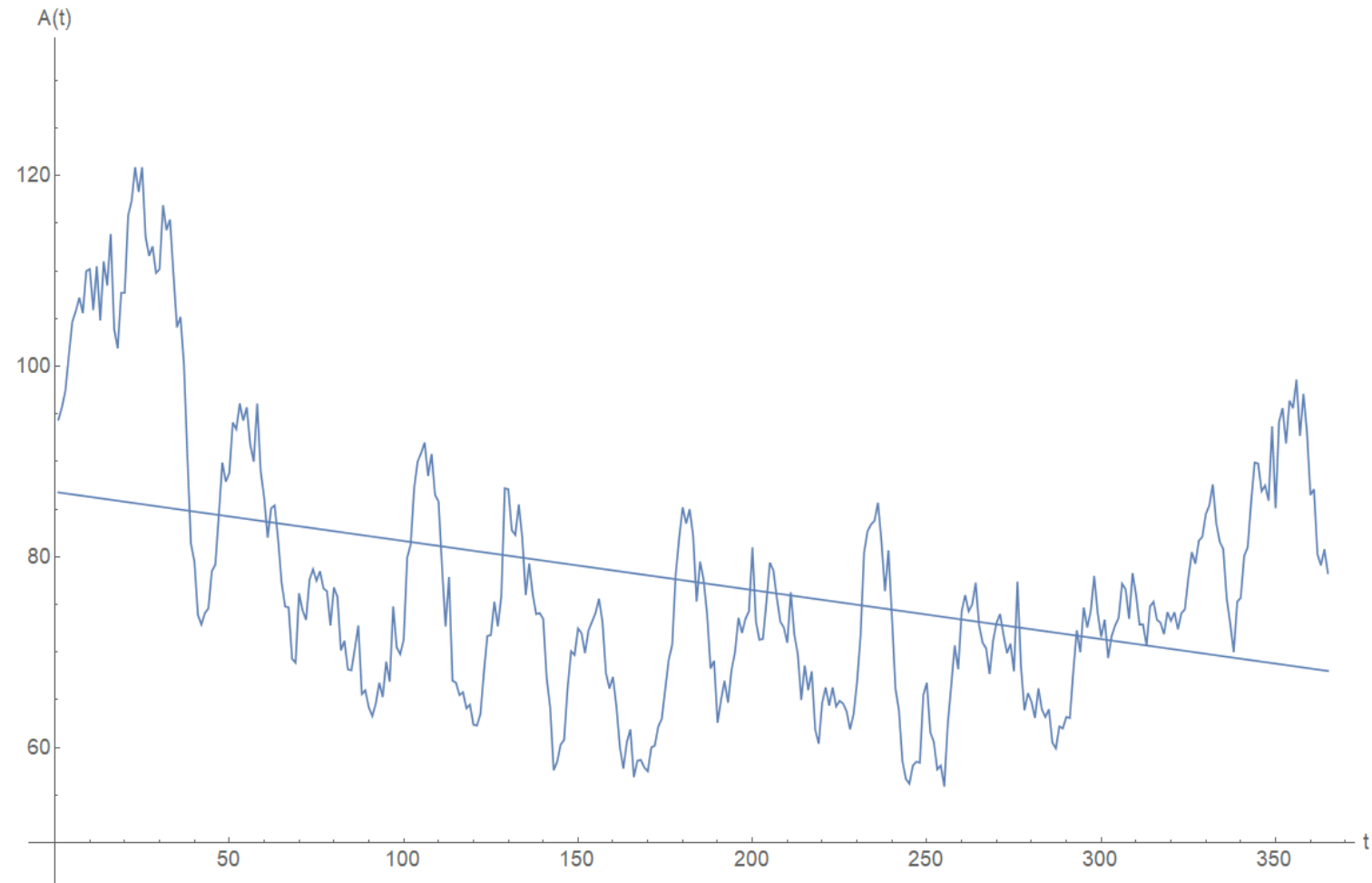
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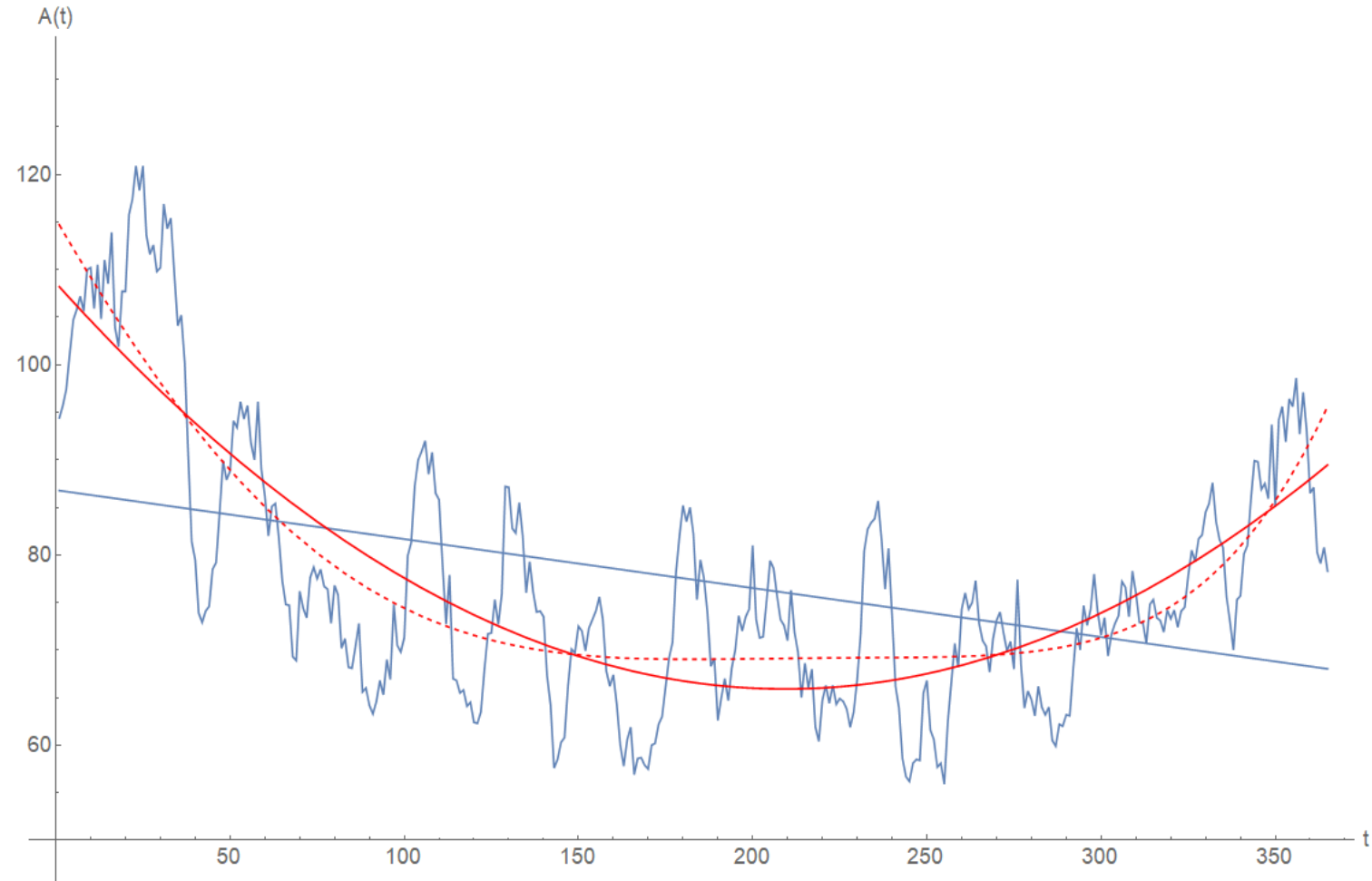
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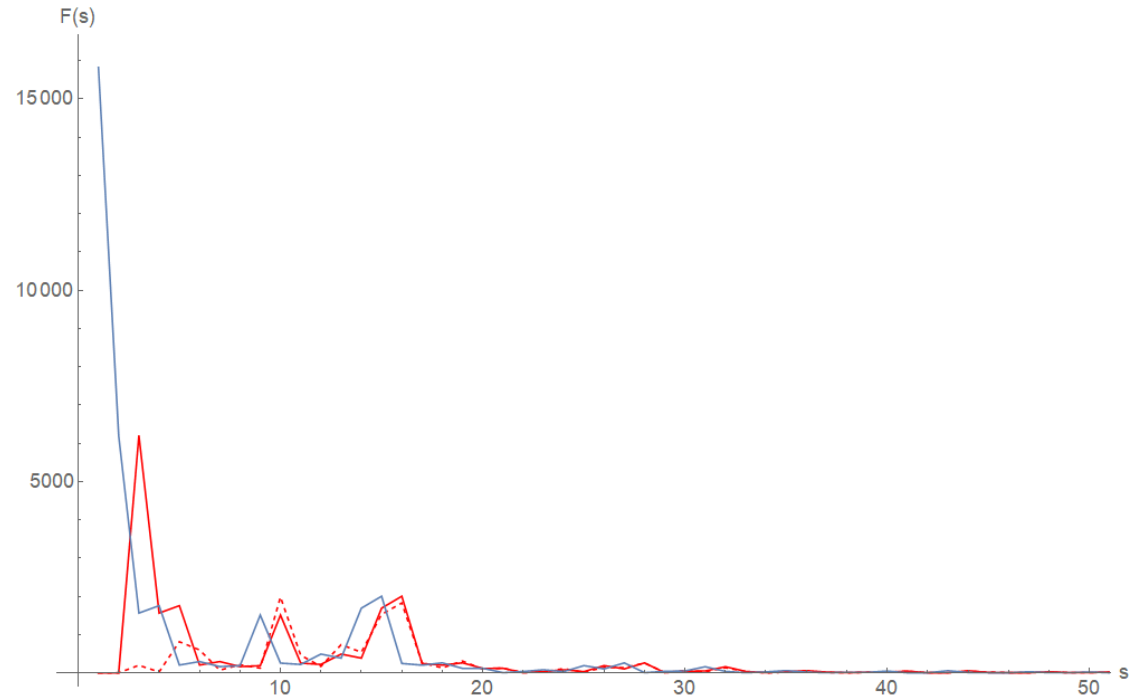
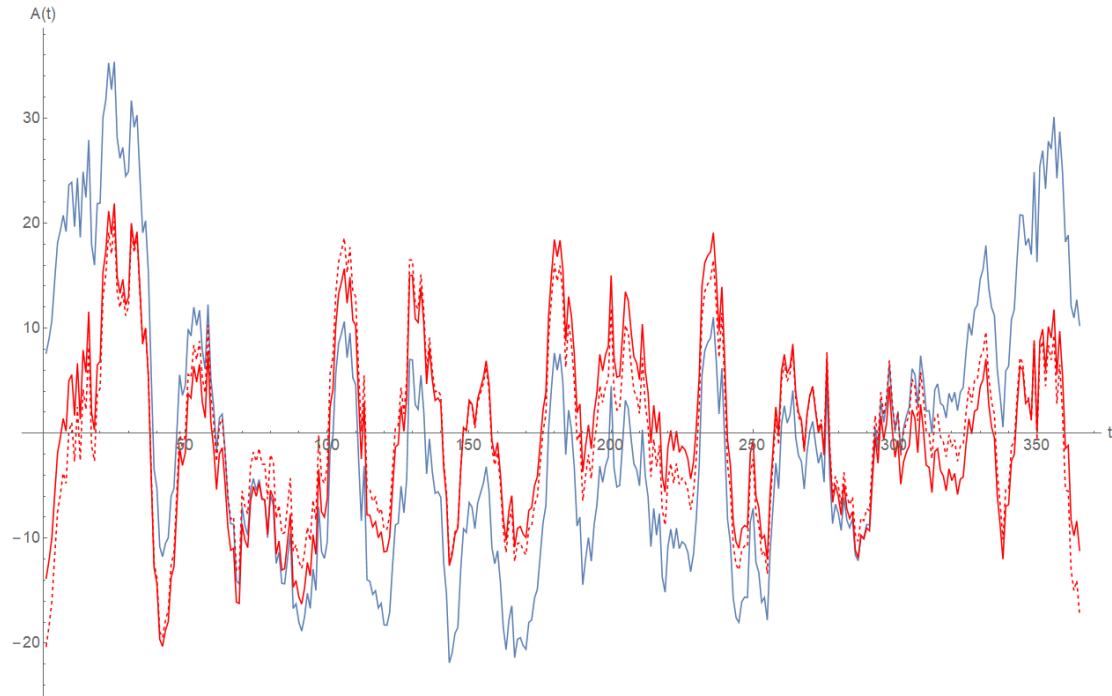
Just one root close to one. So a linear trend?

Parabola?

4<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial?



# Trend $T(t)$ and I, pt.3



- Residual time series
- Specter of residuals
- Specter is shifting when trend is not removed!

# Reminder: Fourier Series

- $f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{s=1}^n a_s \cos \frac{2\pi s}{n} t + b_s \sin \frac{2\pi s}{n} t$  - Discrete Fourier series
  - $a_s = \sum_{k=1}^n f(k) \cos \frac{2\pi s}{n} k$
  - $b_s = \sum_{k=1}^n f(k) \sin \frac{2\pi s}{n} k$



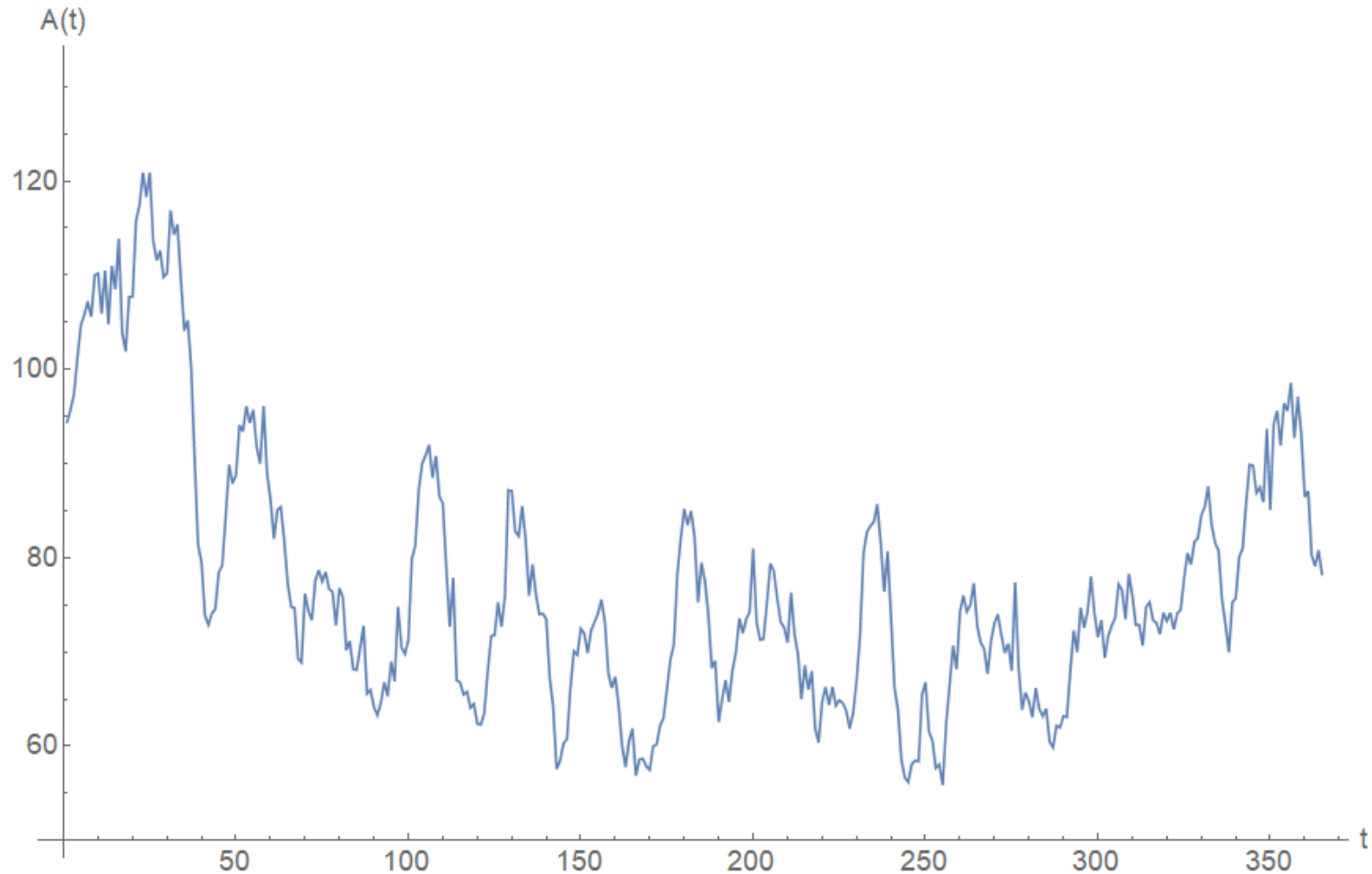
- Bugcat Capoo wants you to remember Fourier transform, it will be used today

$$F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \exp(-2\pi st) dt$$



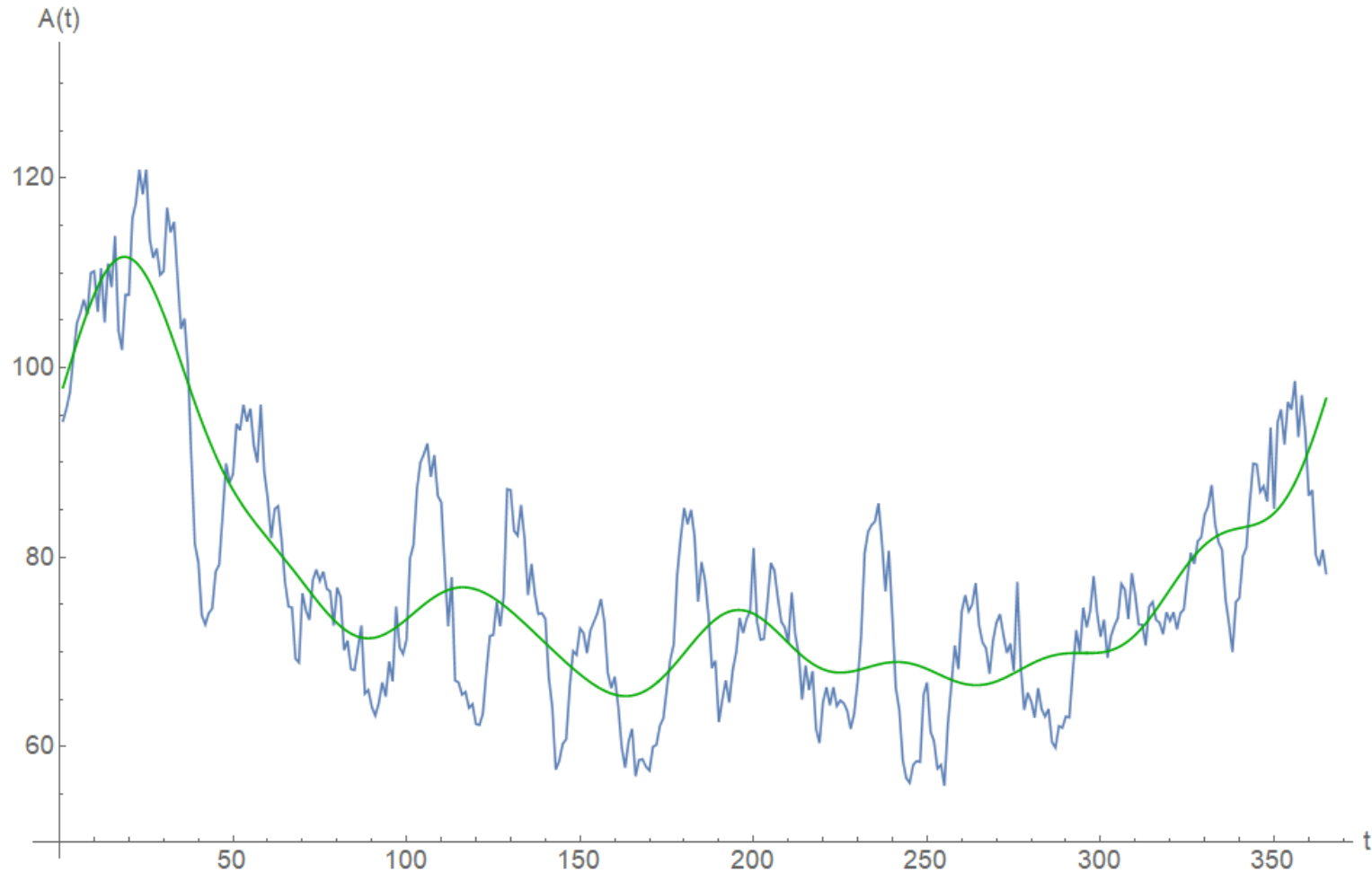
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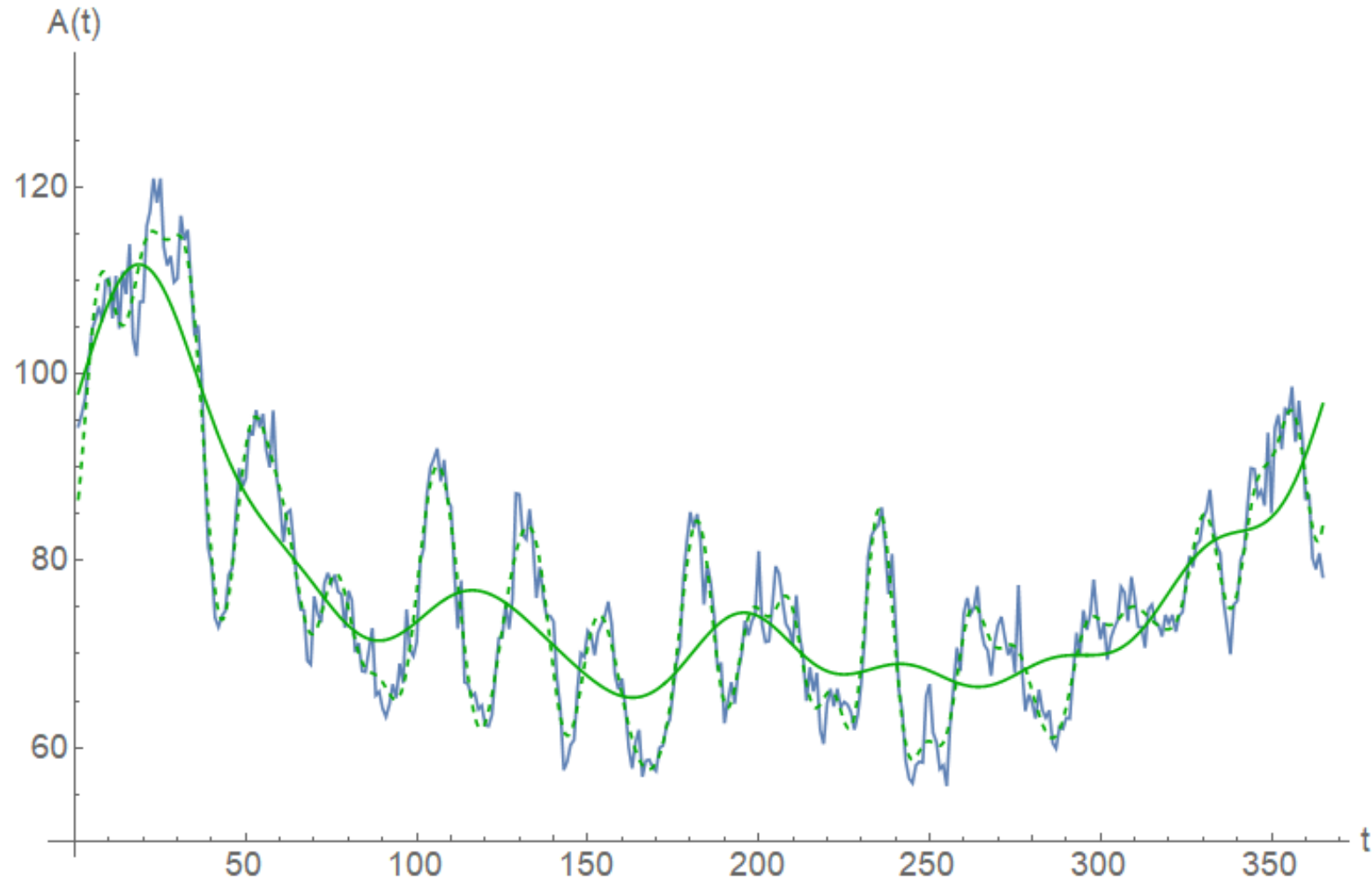
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- ✓ 8 days?

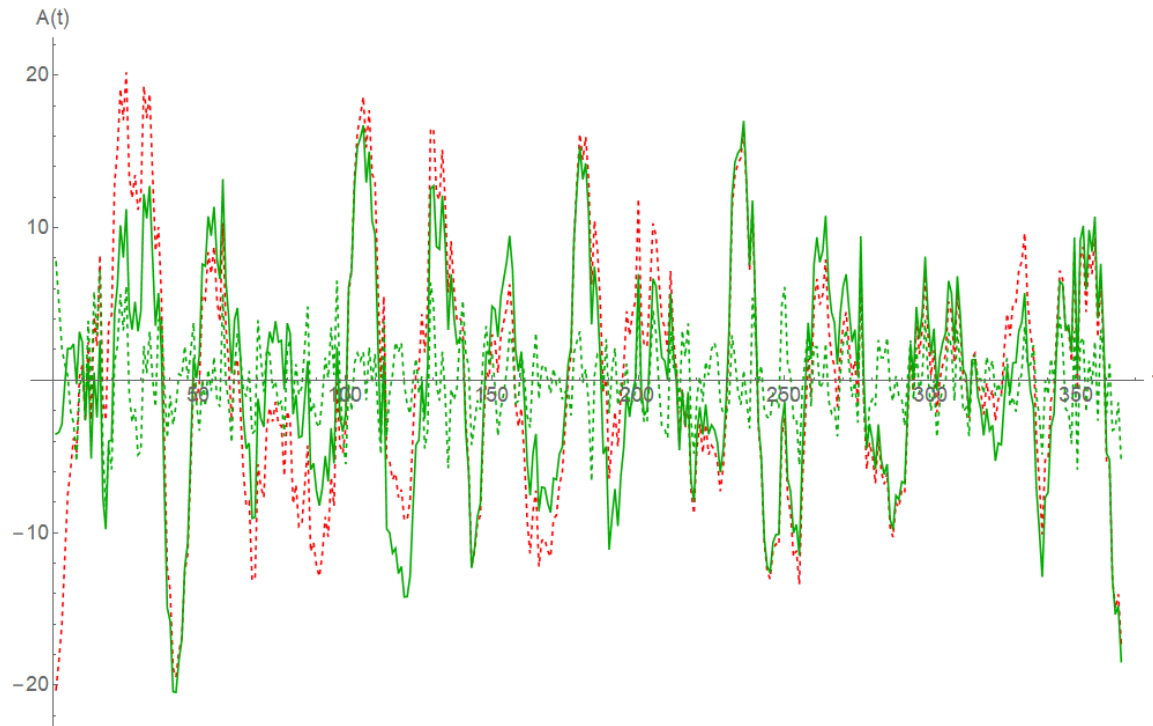


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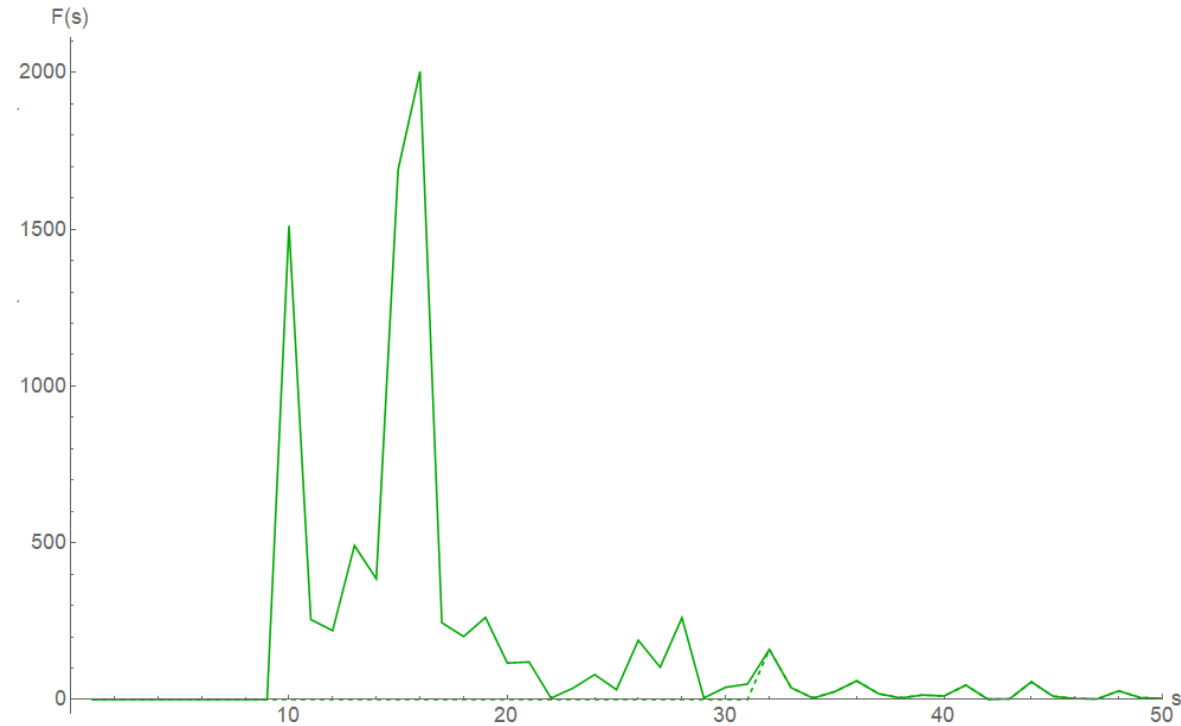
- ✓ What if we will ignore polynomial part and start with seasonal?
- ✓ What is the physical meaning of zero frequency?
- ✓ What is the length of the season?
- ✓ 30 days?



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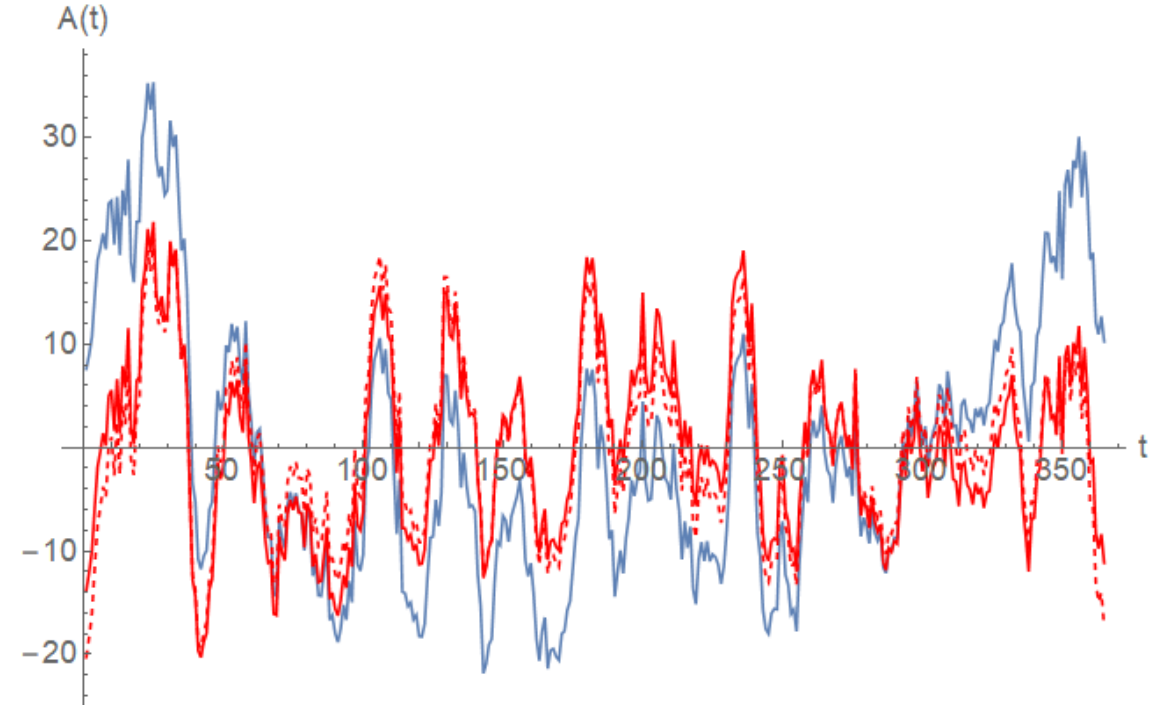
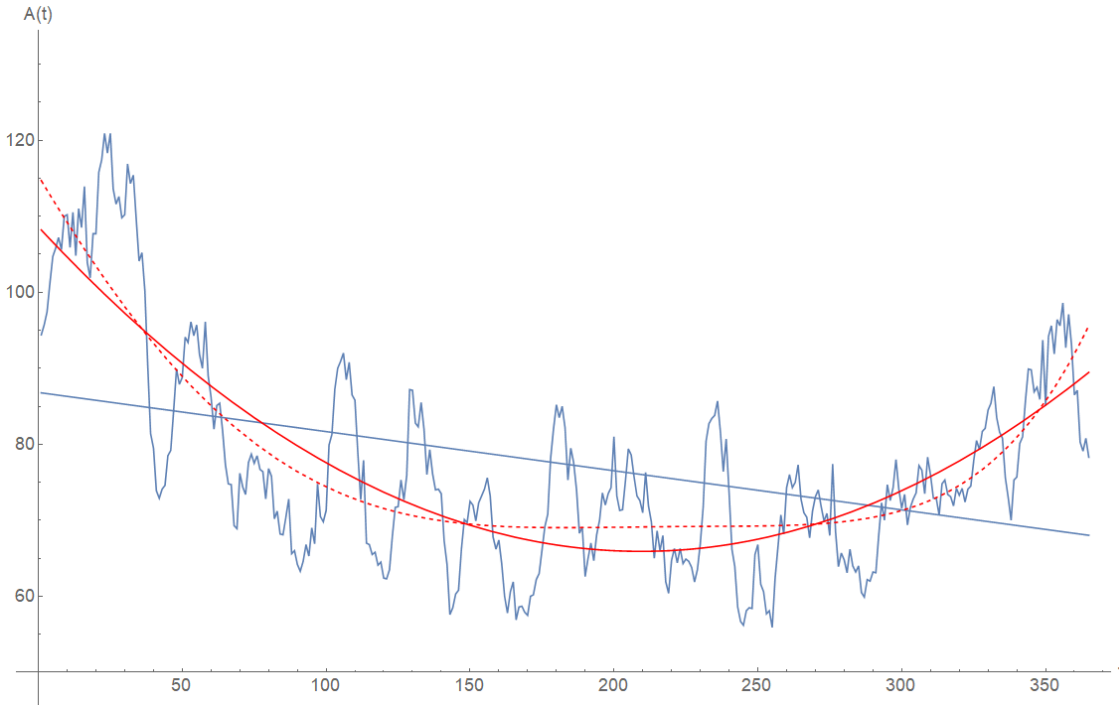
- Residual time series



- Specter of residuals

- Low frequencies are removed with seasonal component – we lose information!

# The (classical) plan - I



- Remove polynomial trend  $T(t)$
- Good place to stop  $R^2 > 0.5$

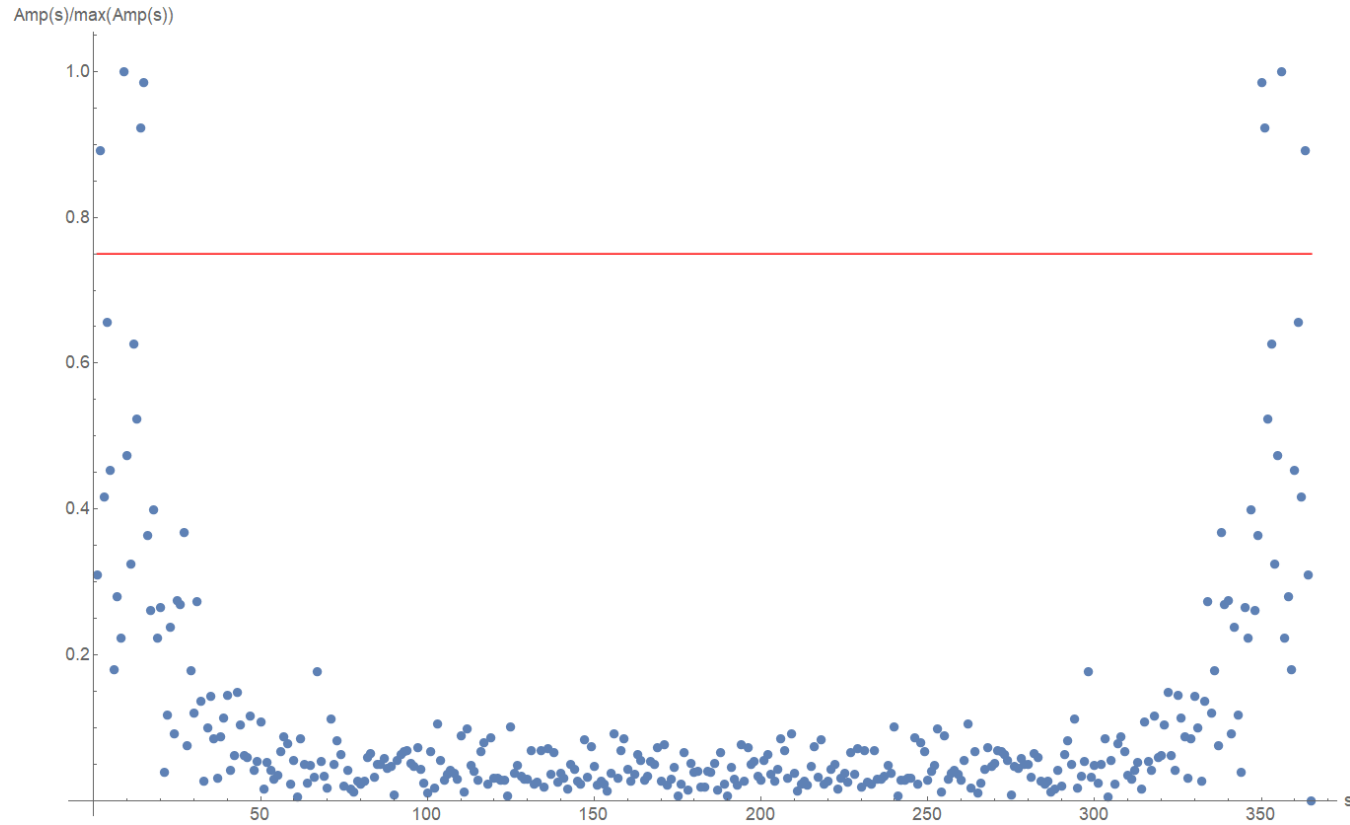
Linear:  $R^2 = 0.15$

Quadratic:  $R^2 = 0.62$

4<sup>th</sup> degree:  $R^2 = 0.66$

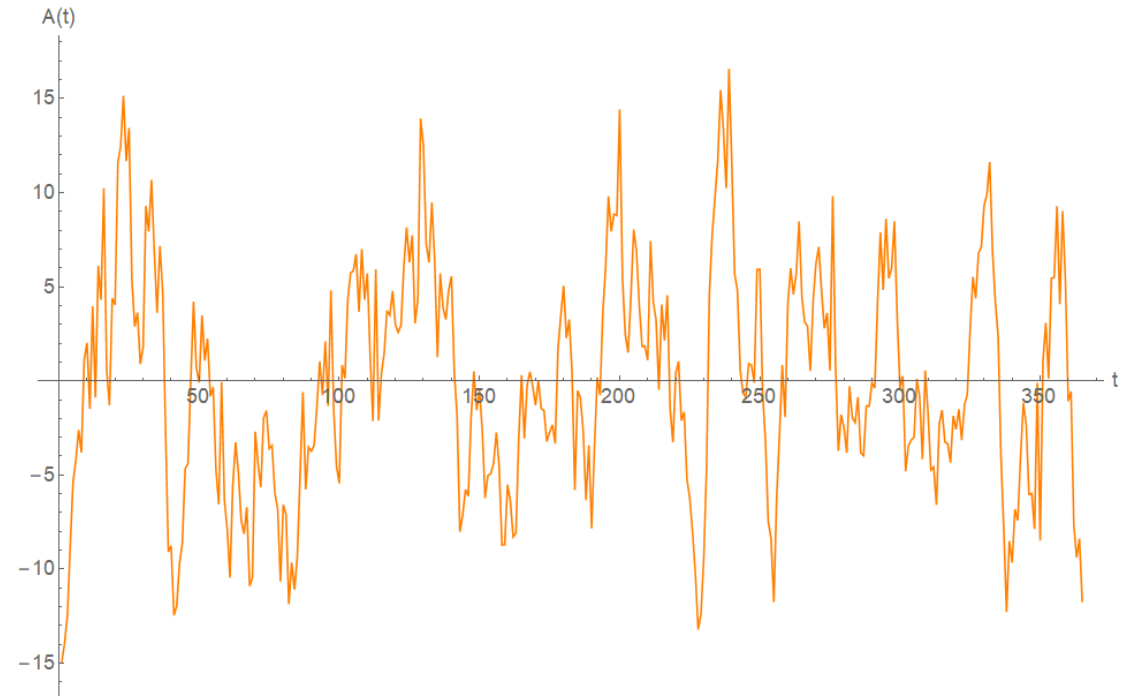
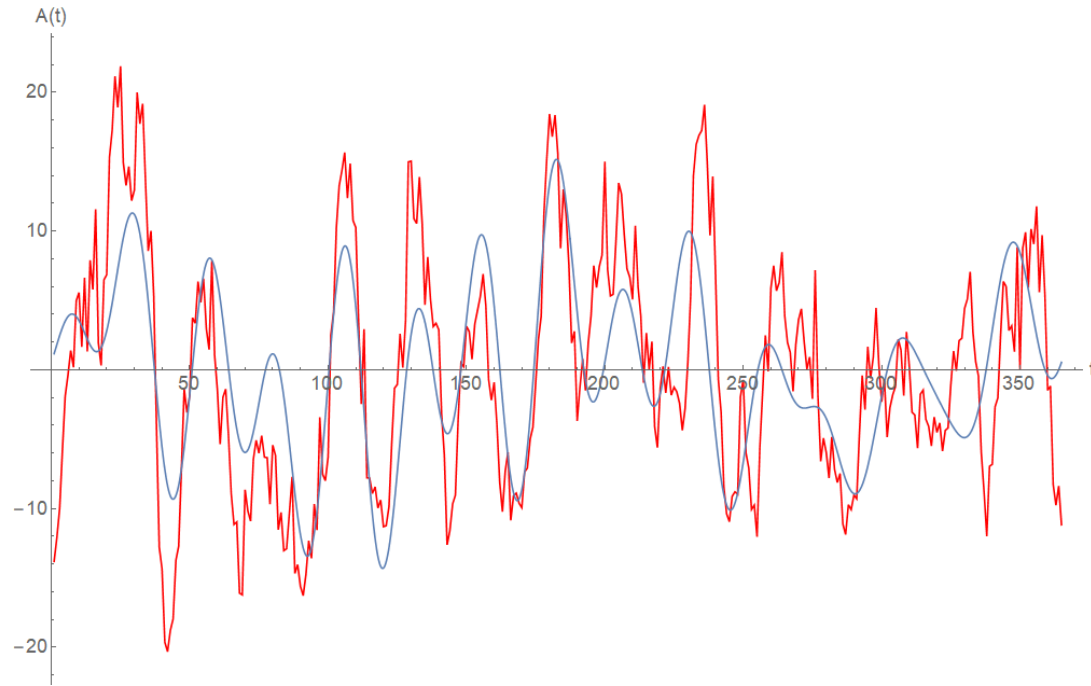
# The (classical) plan - II

- ✓ Seasonal part is more tricky, since it affects specter
- ✓ Good place to start is to plot amplitudes  $\sqrt{a_s^2 + b_s^2}$
- ✓ More informative  $\frac{\sqrt{a_s^2 + b_s^2}}{\max \sqrt{a_s^2 + b_s^2}}$
- ✓ Seasonal component is waves with frequency higher than  $\sim 0.75$



Seasonal frequencies here 2,9,14,15

# The (classical) plan - III



- Remove seasonal component  $S(t)$
- Model noise  $\varepsilon_t$  in usual way as stationary process
- Total model is  $f(t)=T(t)+S(t)+\varepsilon_t$

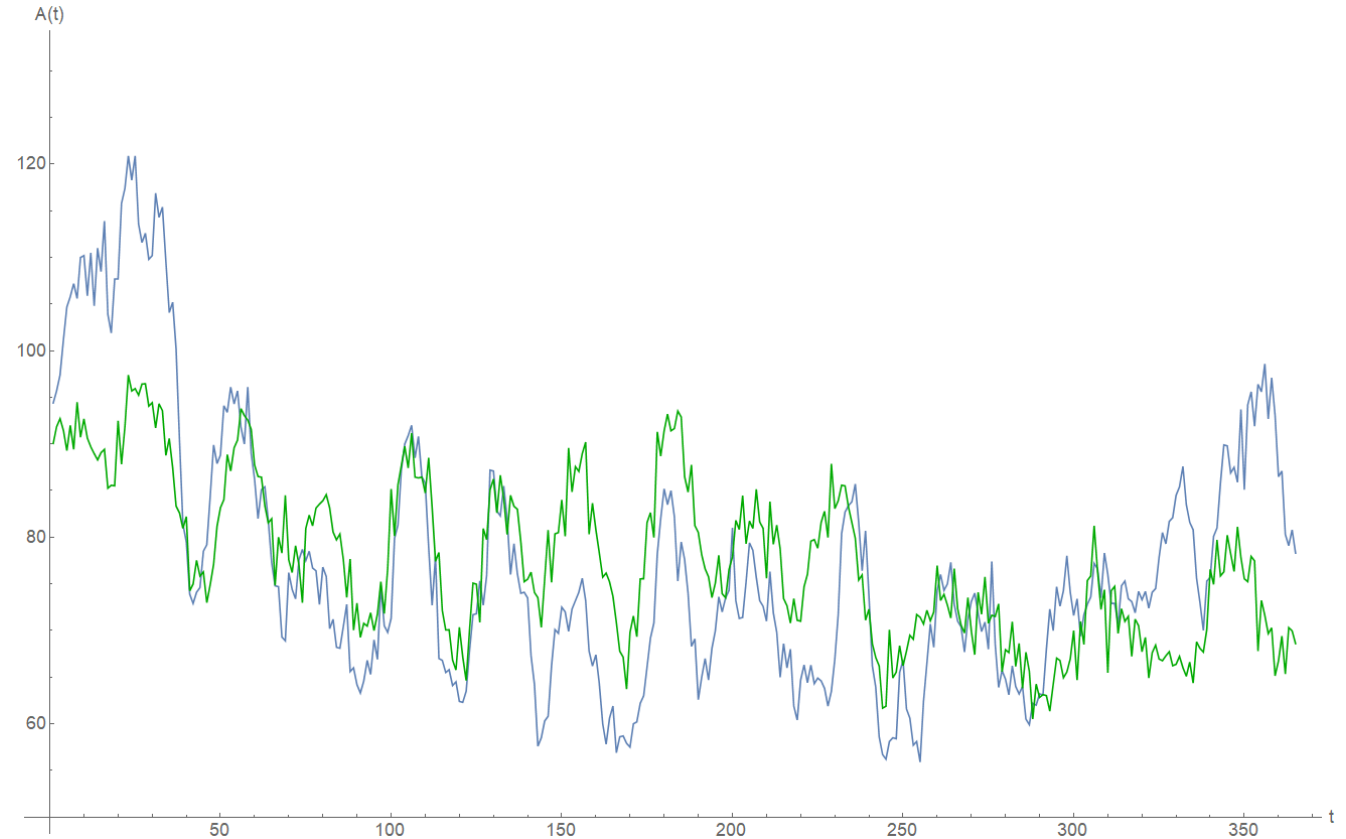
$$R^2 = 0.814$$

$$m_t \sim 10^{-13}$$

$$D_t \sim 4.867$$

# The (classical) plan - final

- Well, mean error is 8.58
- Mean value is 77.4
- Pretty good result for 10 minutes of approximation
- Better work with noise – better results





# The (modern) plan

- ✓ What if we still can make a stationary process and study it?
- ✓ How do we model the non-stationary part?
  - LSTM-like
  - Prophet (I do not want to think way)
  - Various esoteric methods (algebraic decomposition, neural-ODE)
- ✓  $f(t) = F(t) + \varepsilon(t) = G(t)\varepsilon'(t)$

# LSTM way (I sign up to train NNs)

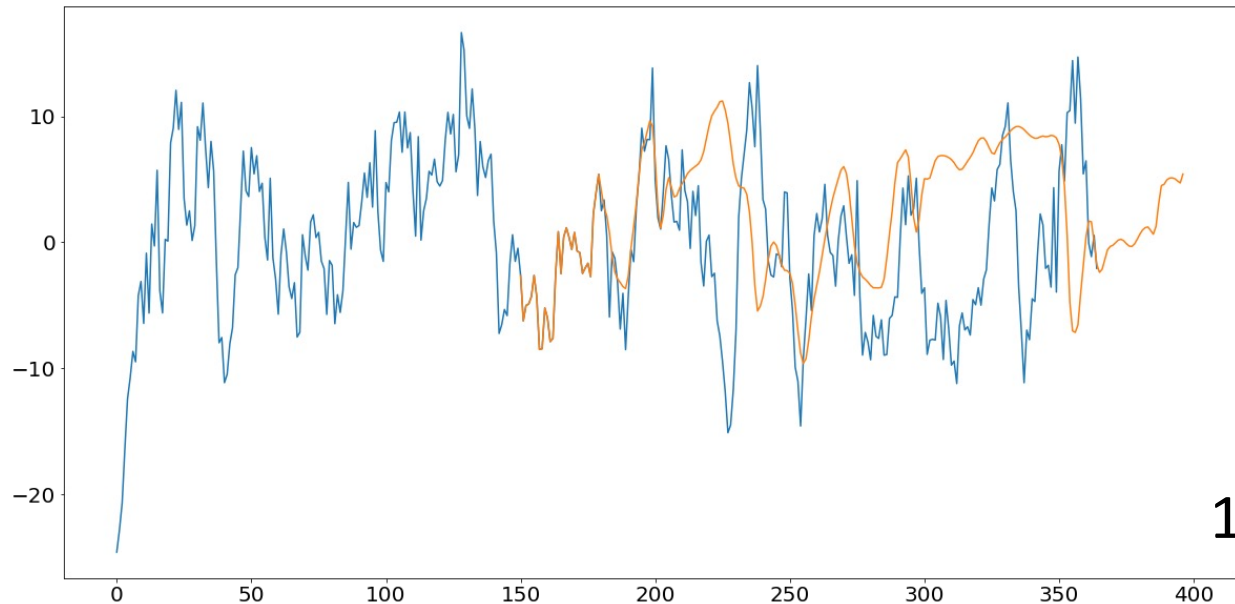
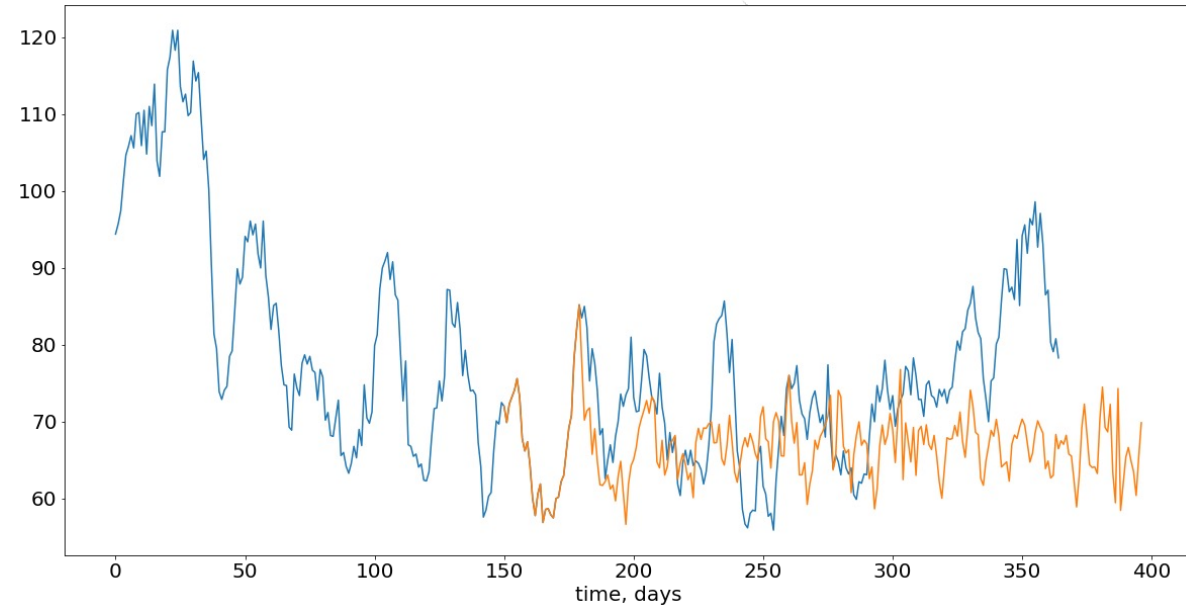
- Classical LSTM Model may be written as:

$$a_{t+M}y_{t+M} + \dots + a_{t+1}y_{t+1} + a_t y_t = a_{t-1}y_{t-1} + a_{t-2}y_{t-2} + \dots + a_{t-N}y_{t-N} + \varepsilon_p \text{ (whoa (!) it looks like autoregression)}$$

- Trend shifts specter issue
- Noised in -> noised out

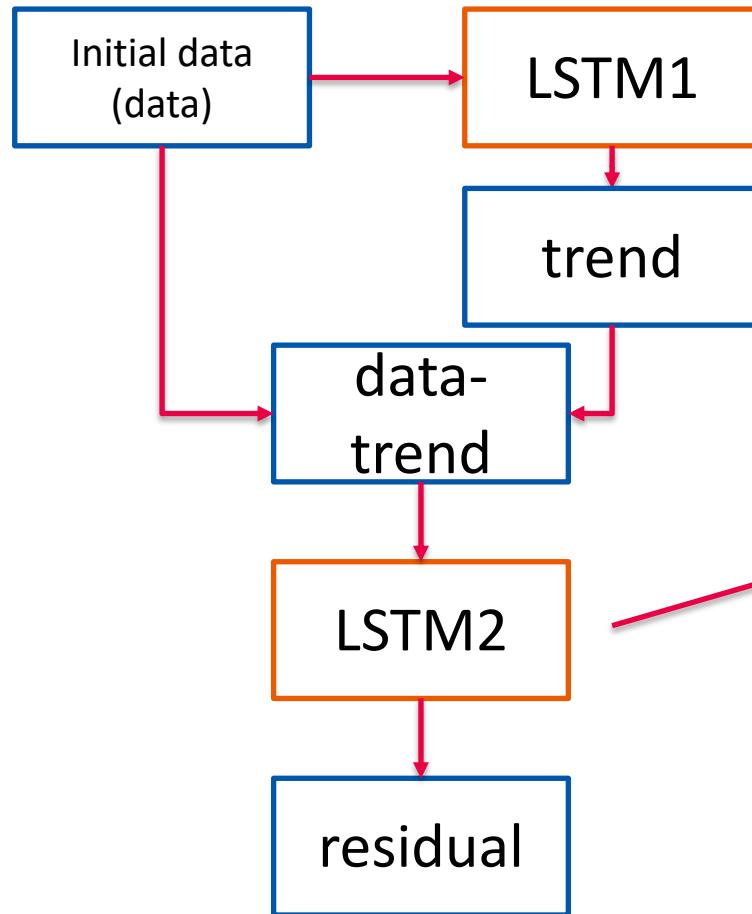
# LSTM way (I sign up to train NNs)

- Classical LSTM Model predicts only stationary processes
- Maybe not so good
- We could also use the several LSTMs

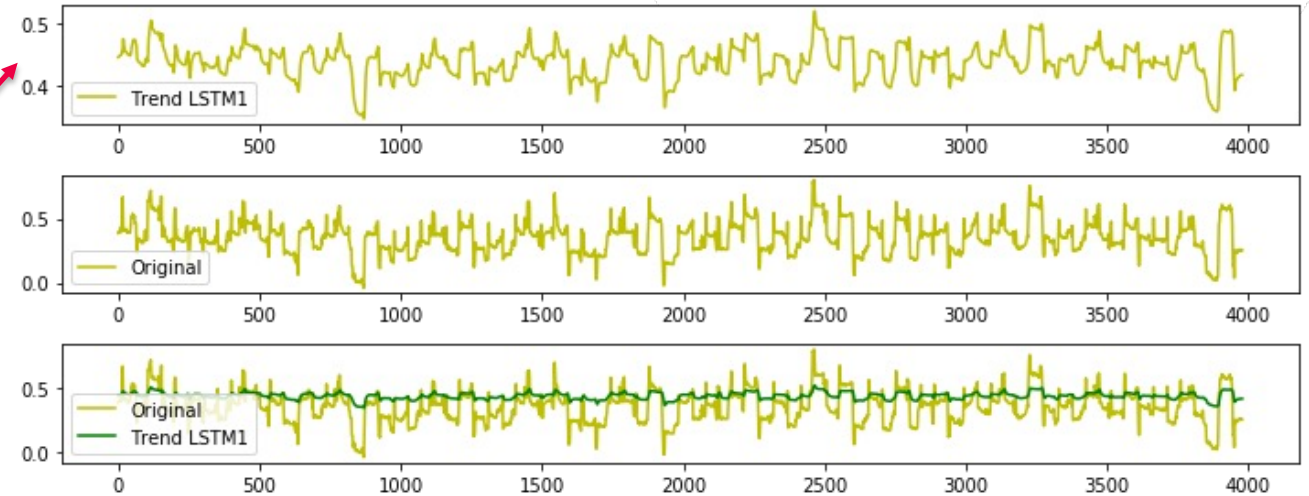


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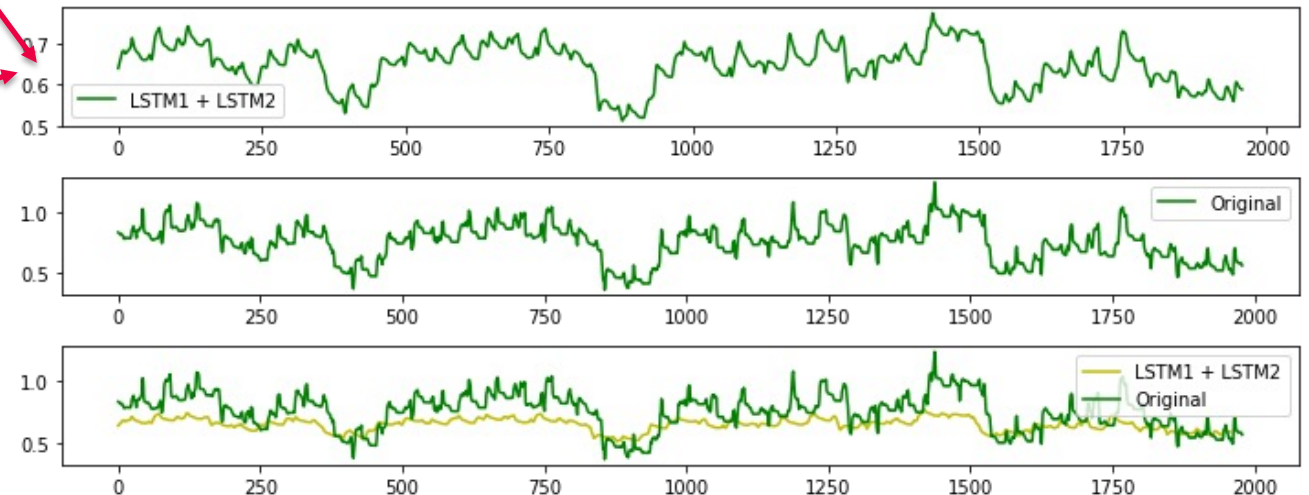
- Two LSTMs allow us to represent two scales



LSTM scheme



Trend LSTM example

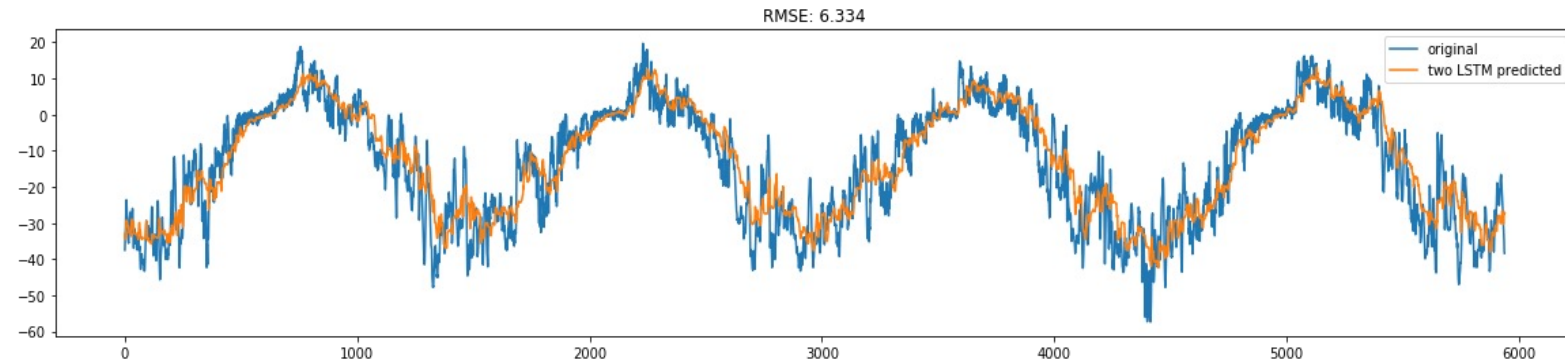


Total LSTM example

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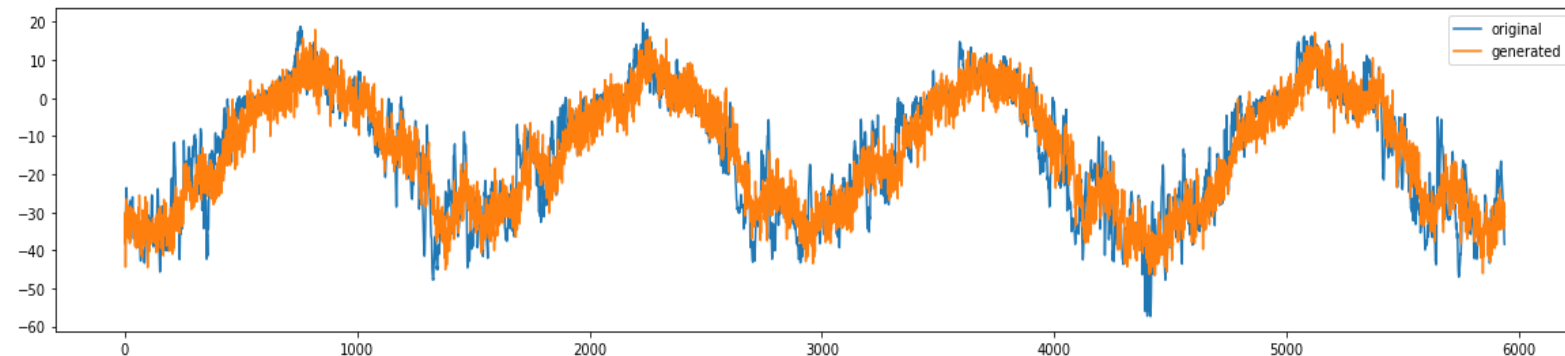
- Not really differs from trend-season decomposition part



Non-stationary part

Noise part:

- We add noise to the predicted nonstationary part

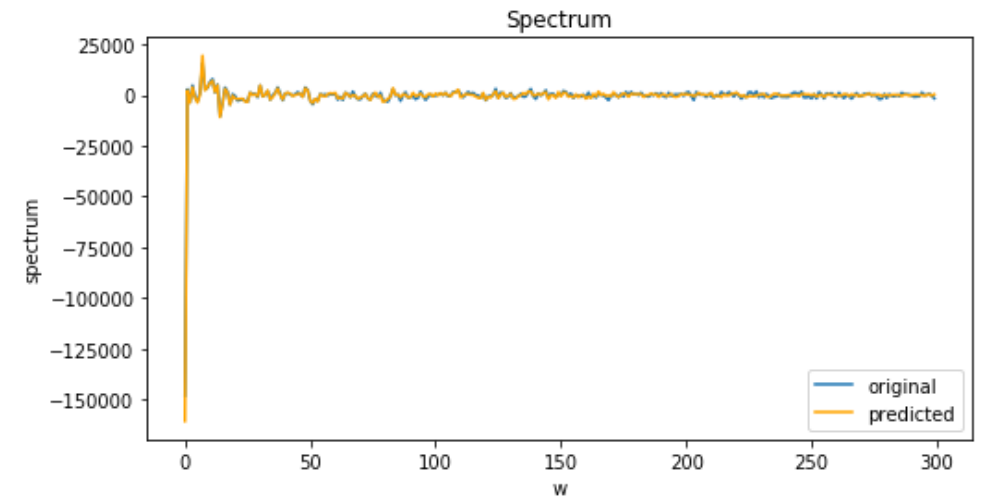
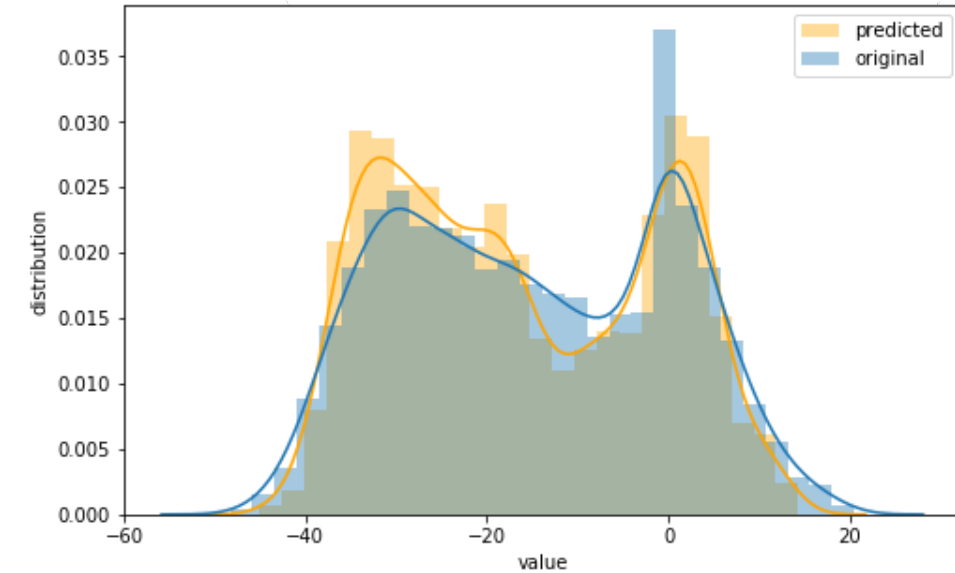
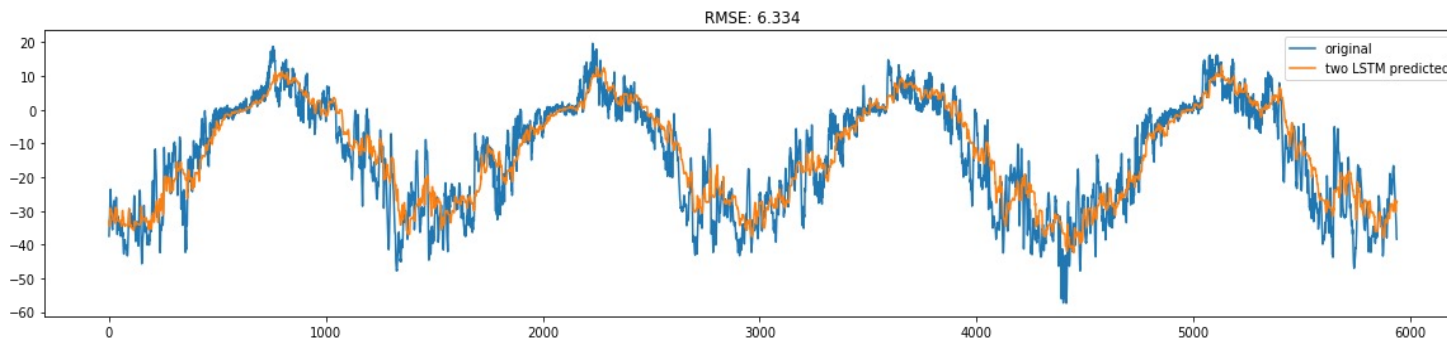


Non-stationary part+noise

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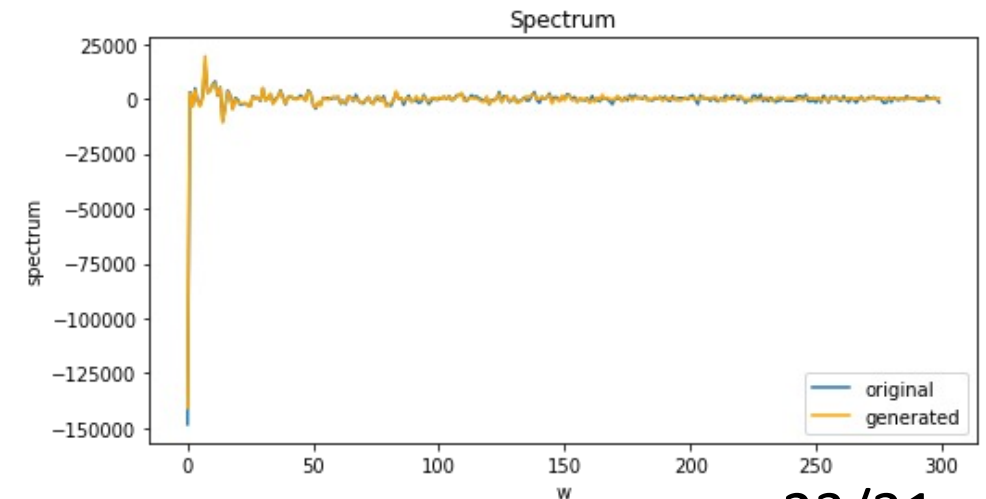
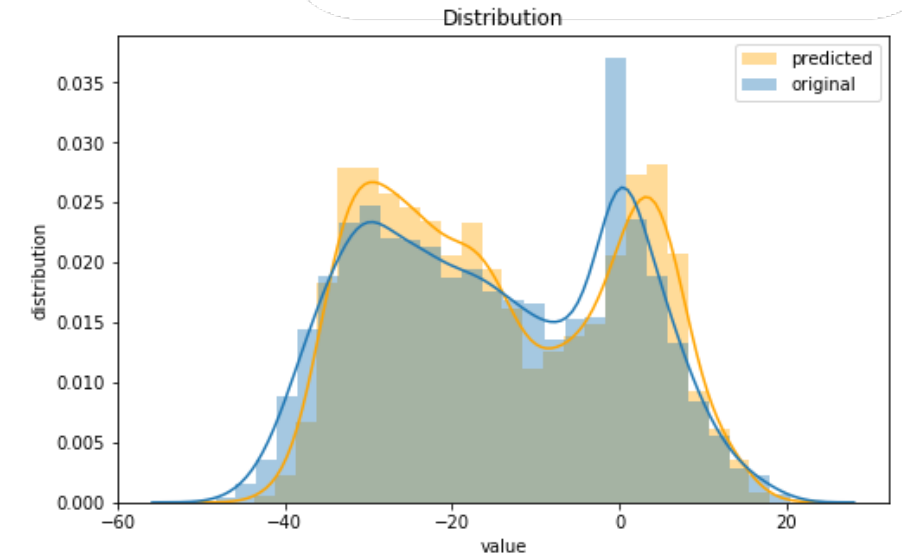
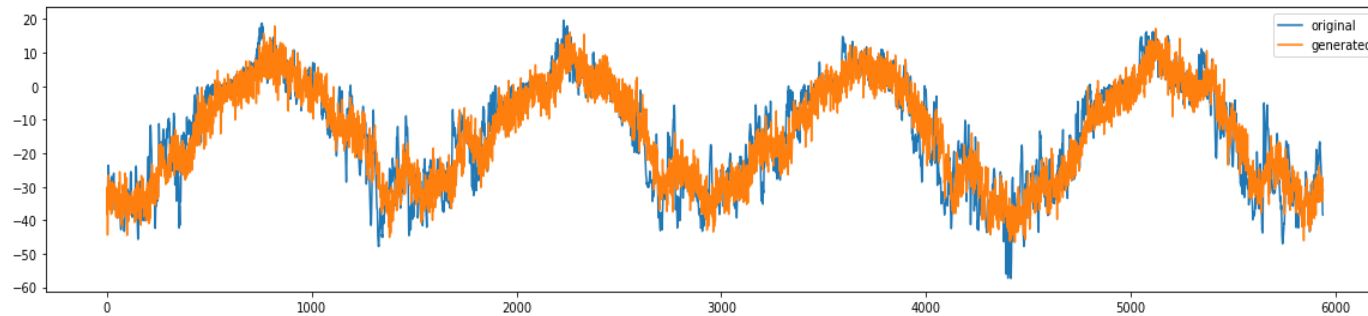
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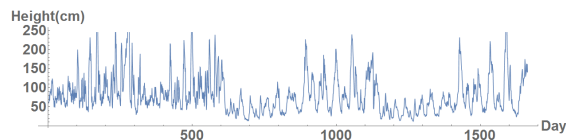
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# Prophet (I do not want to think way)

## Time series



trend

season

holidays

$$y(t) = g(t) + s(t) + h(t) + \epsilon_t$$

noise

$$g(t) = \frac{C(t)}{1 + \exp(-(k + a(t)^T \delta)(t - (m + a(t)^T \gamma)))} \sim \frac{C}{\exp(-k(t - m))} \quad \text{for non-stationary TS}$$

$$g(t) = (k + a(t)^T \delta)(t - (m + a(t)^T \gamma)) - \text{for close to stationary time-series}$$

$s(t)$  - season as usual

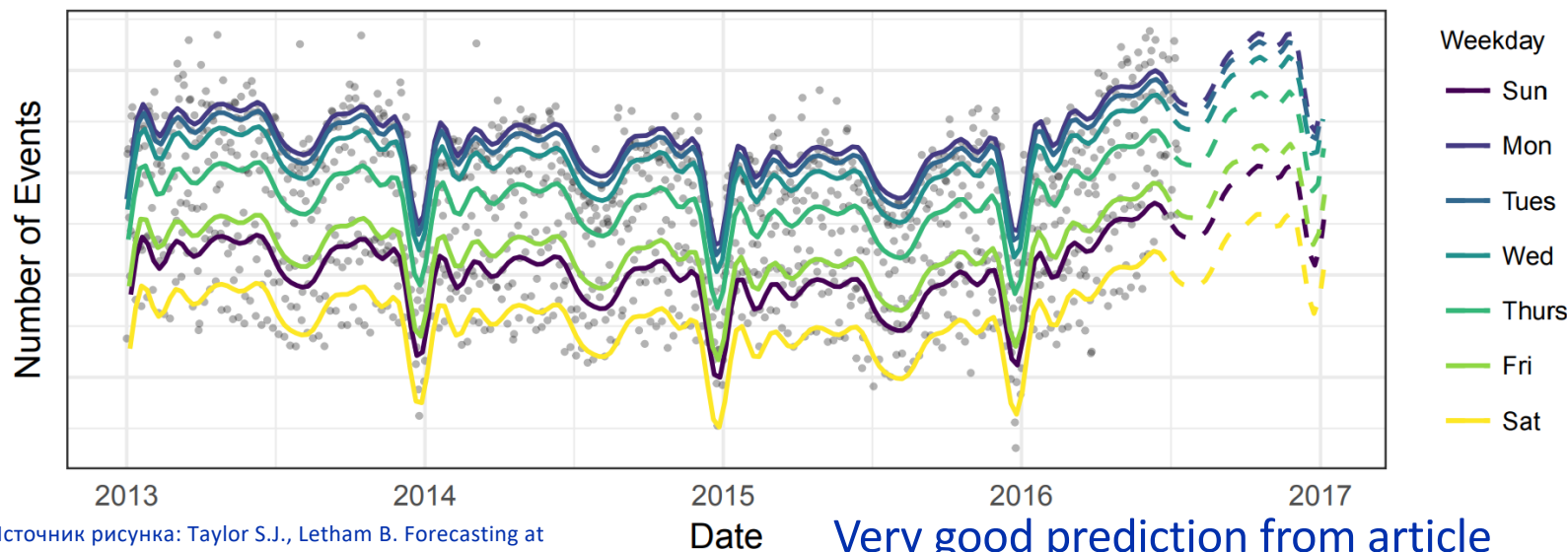
$h(t) \sim N(0, v^2)$  + some pre-defined values

Pros:

- Non-stationary timeseries modelling
- Should model (and generate) various timeseries

Cons:

- One scale (daily human behaviour)



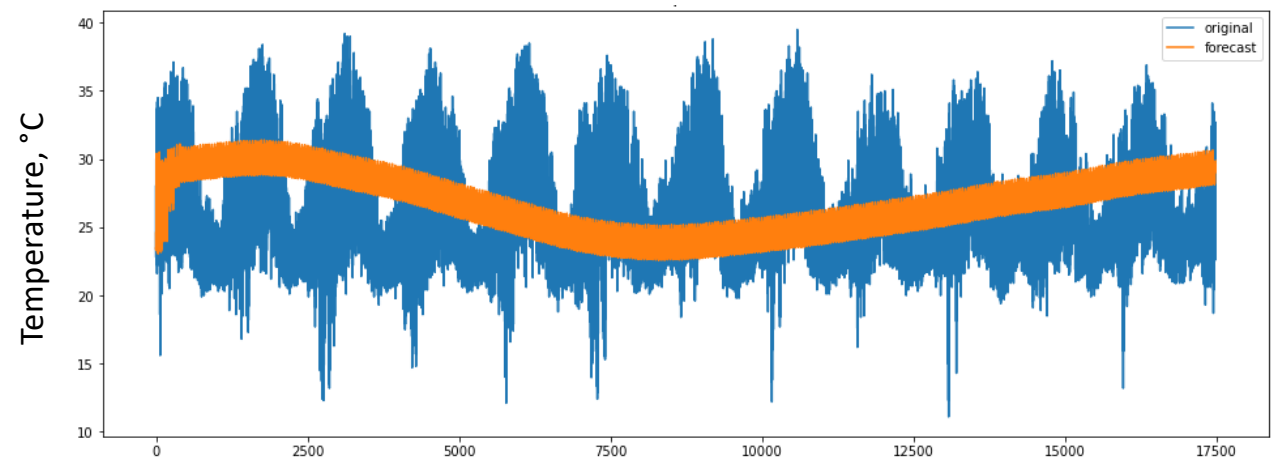
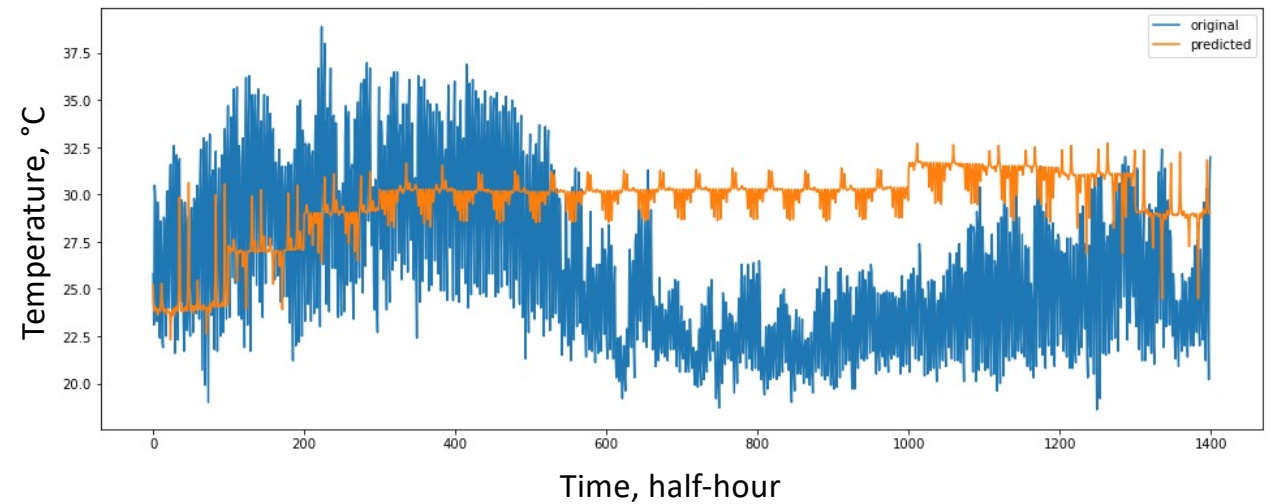
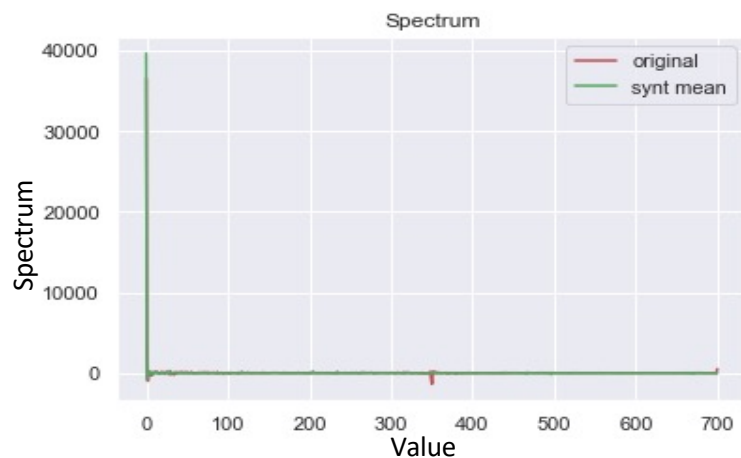
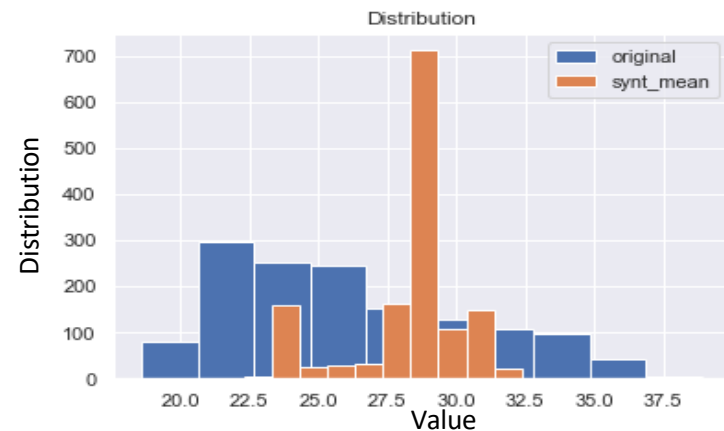
Very good prediction from article



# Prophet (I do not want to think way)

## Temperature:

- Nah, not working temperature is not a human

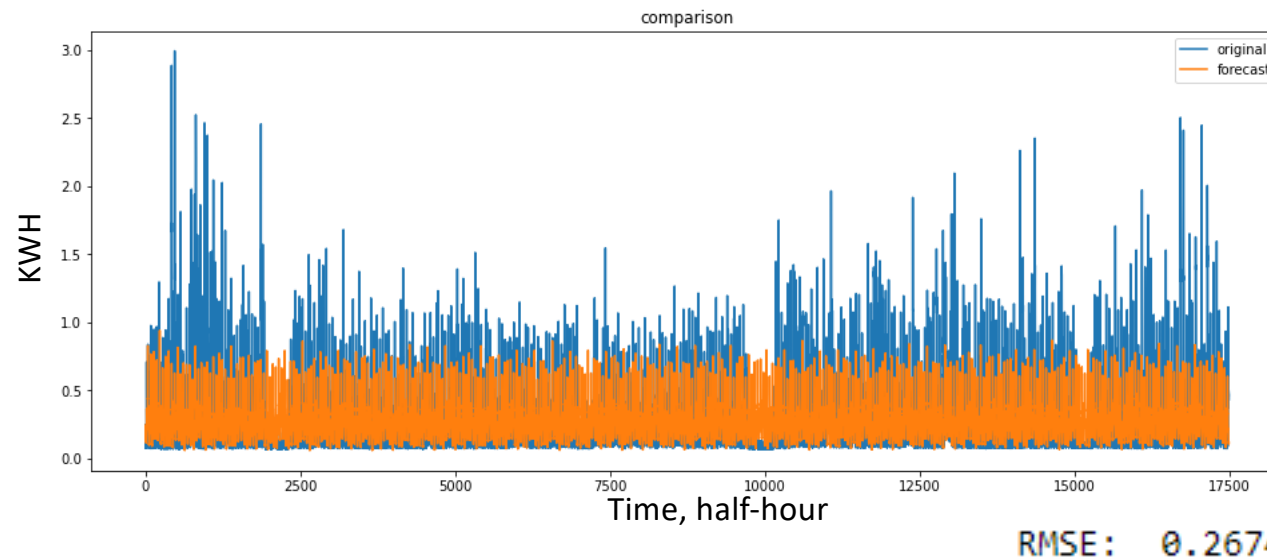


RMSE: 4.839

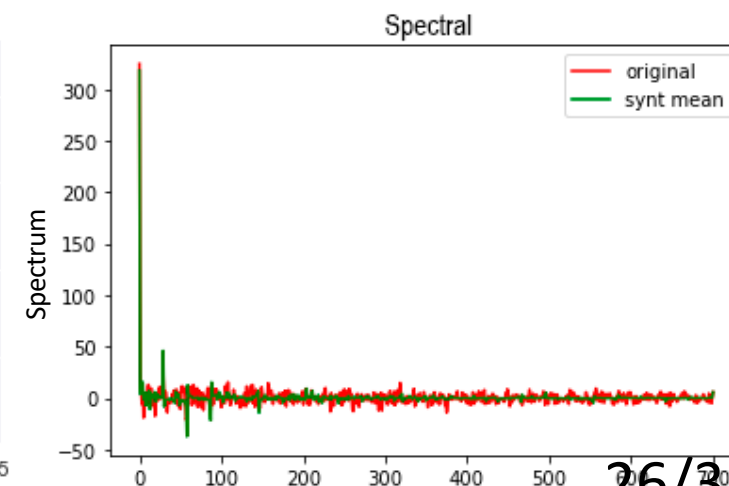
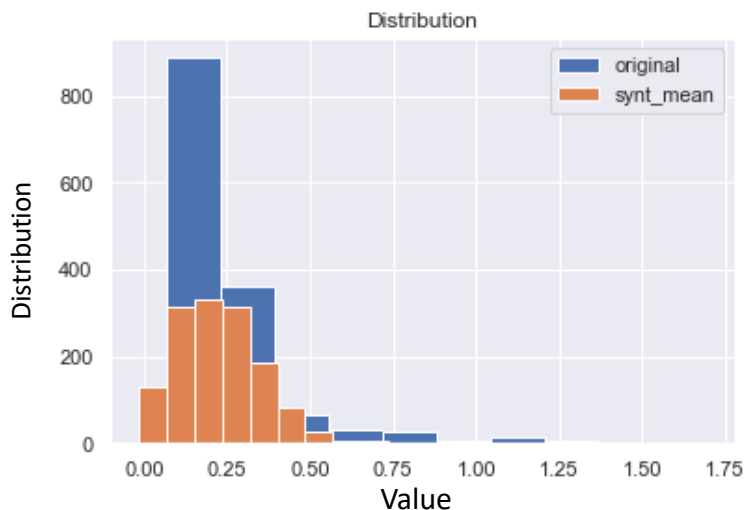
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## Summary:

- Prophet cannot be used to model a lot of applications
- Works only for task Facebook designed it
- Holydays (peaks) could not be modelled even if hourly scale is considered



## 100 synthetic time series distribution and spectrum



# Closed-form expressions

Let the model-expression be defined by a set of tokens:

$$M(\vec{A}, t) = \sum_I \prod_J c_{i,j}(\vec{a}_{i,j}, t) \quad I, J \in N$$

$\vec{A} = (\vec{a}_{i_1, j_1}, \dots)$  – multi parameter

Then the **problem** is to find such tokens  $c_{i,j}$  with such parameters  $\vec{a}_{i,j}$  that the model has the smallest Euclidean distance to the input data  $P$  :

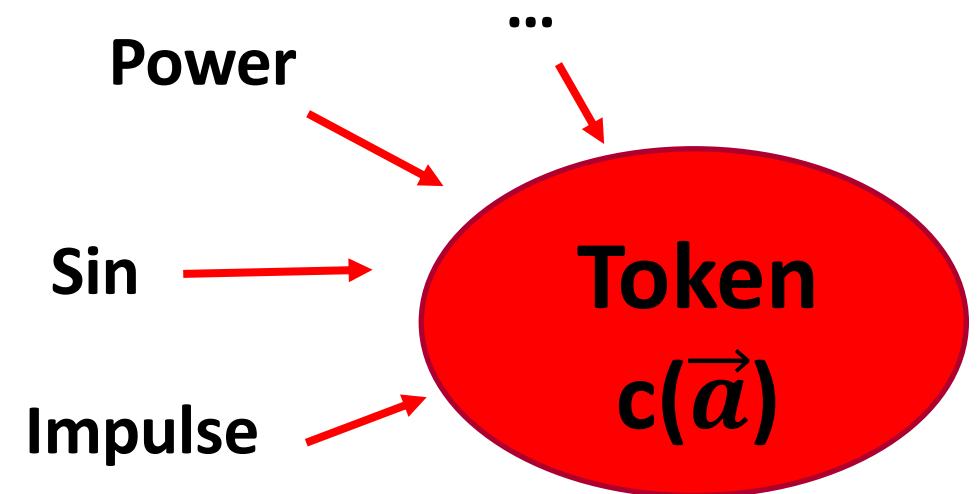
$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\vec{A}} N(\vec{A}) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{k=n} (P(t_k) - M(\vec{A}, t_k))^2}$$

Fitness of the expression

A **token** is a parameterized mathematical (and not very) function and a building block for expressions, for example:

$$c(\vec{a}, t) = a_1 \sin(a_2 t + a_3)$$

$\vec{a}$  – vector of parameters

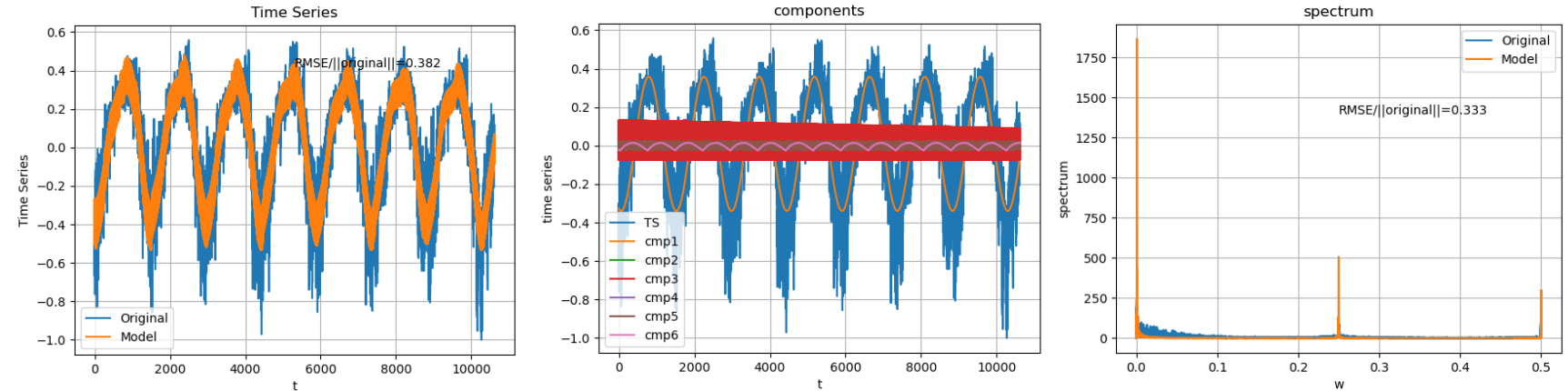


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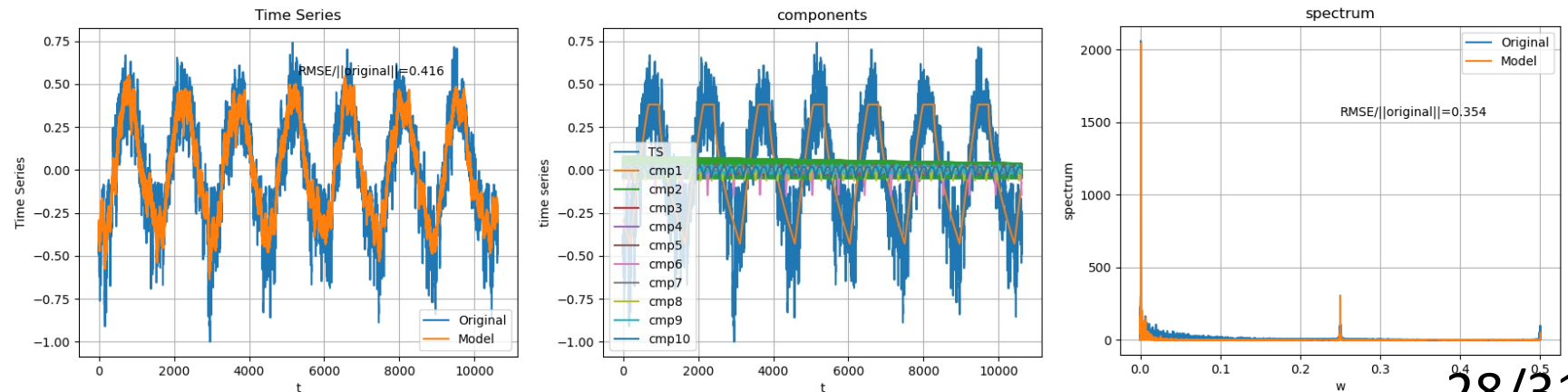
Model:

- We extract trend, seasonal component, pulses and other components using evolutionary algorithm
- Resulting model is a closed-form algebraic expression
- We could model noise for every term as a unique stationary process

## Subtropical temperature zone



## Moderate temperature zone

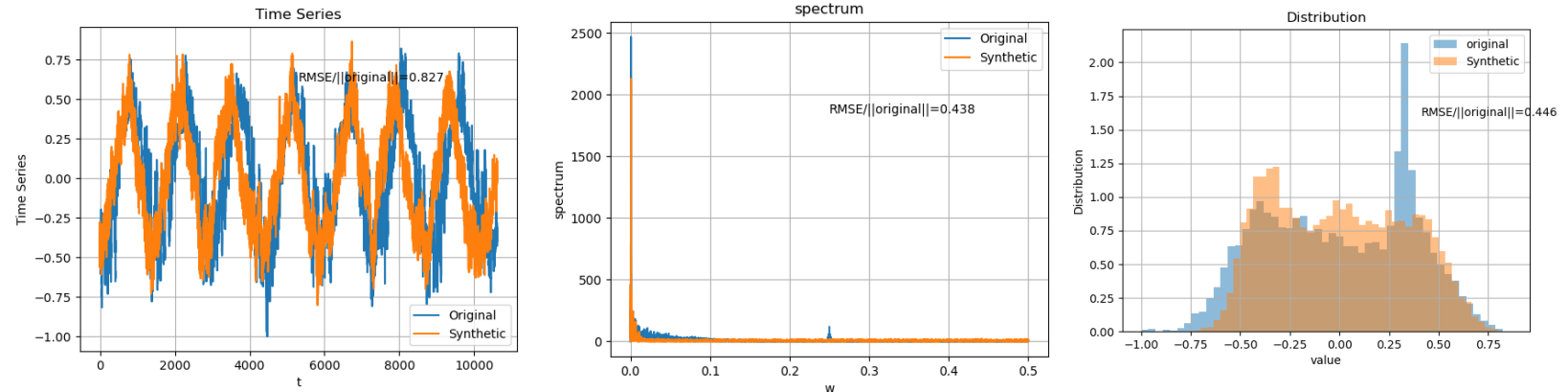


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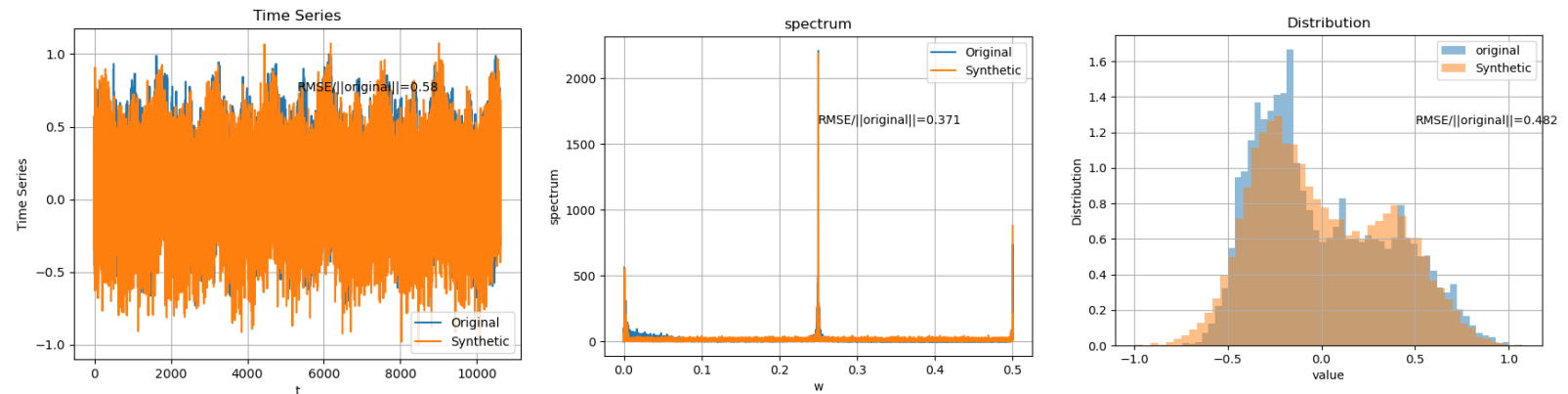
Periodic data:

- You don't have to care about the significance of the parts
- Allows to direct stationary function parameters optimization

Arctic zone temperature



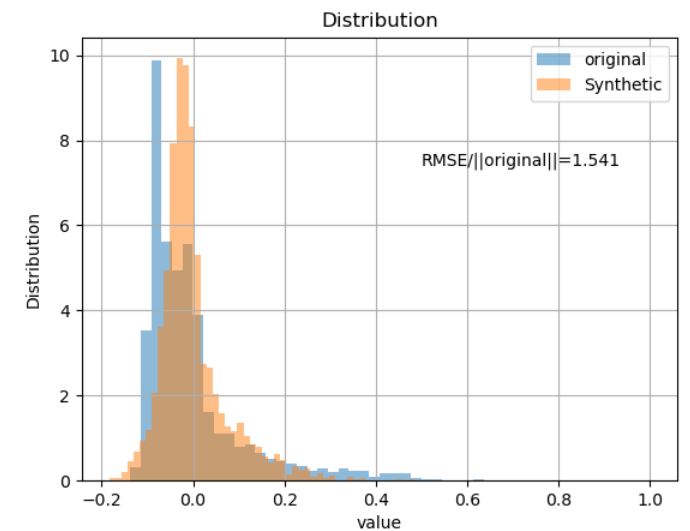
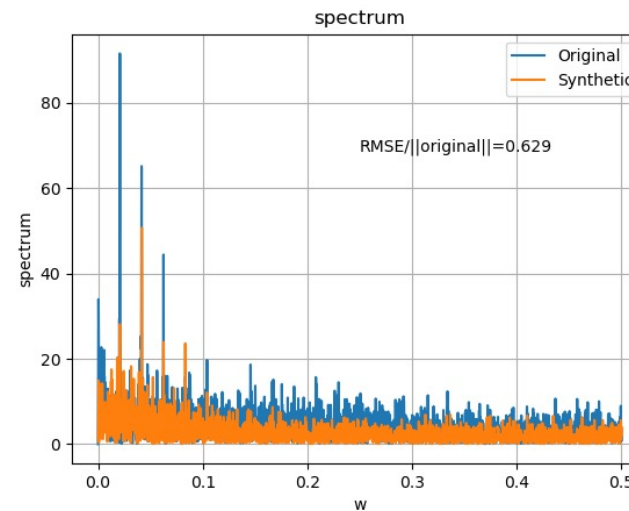
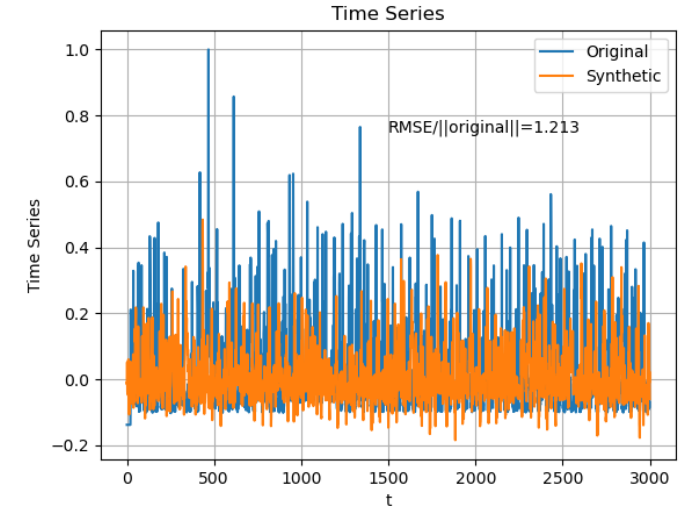
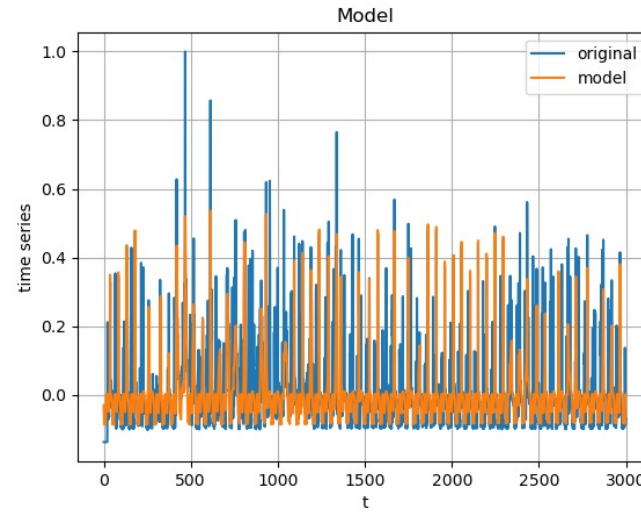
Subequatorial zone temperature



# Closed-form expressions

## Non-periodic data:

- We use pulses to model different peaks
- Pulse parameters are also may be modelled as the stationary variables
- Since it is required many pulses to model the process, the number of parameters is relatively large and the modelling require fine tuning



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