

The start of spring

- Different definitions of seasons and their time period
- We use the meteorological definition given on SMHI:s webpage



Meteorological definition used

If the daily average temperature is above 0 °C but below 10 °C, we call this for a day with spring temperature. If this occurs seven days in a row, we say that spring arrived the first of these days. Even if there is a return to lower temperatures then it is still counting as spring.

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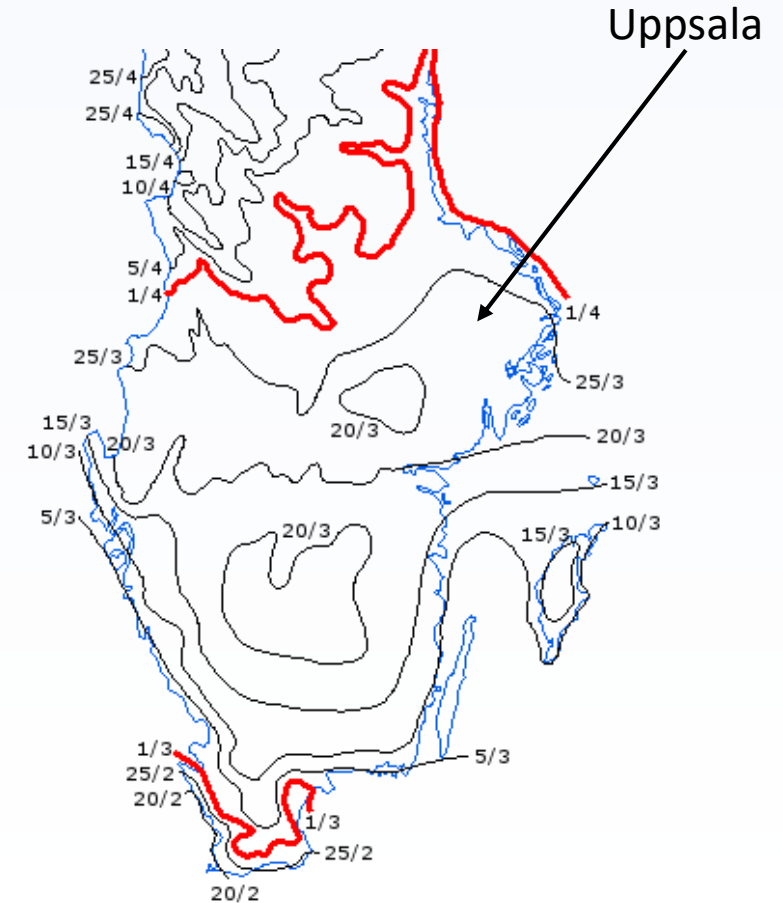
The start of spring can not occur before the 15th of february.

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Spring can, at latest, occur the 31th of July.

Map of spring arrival

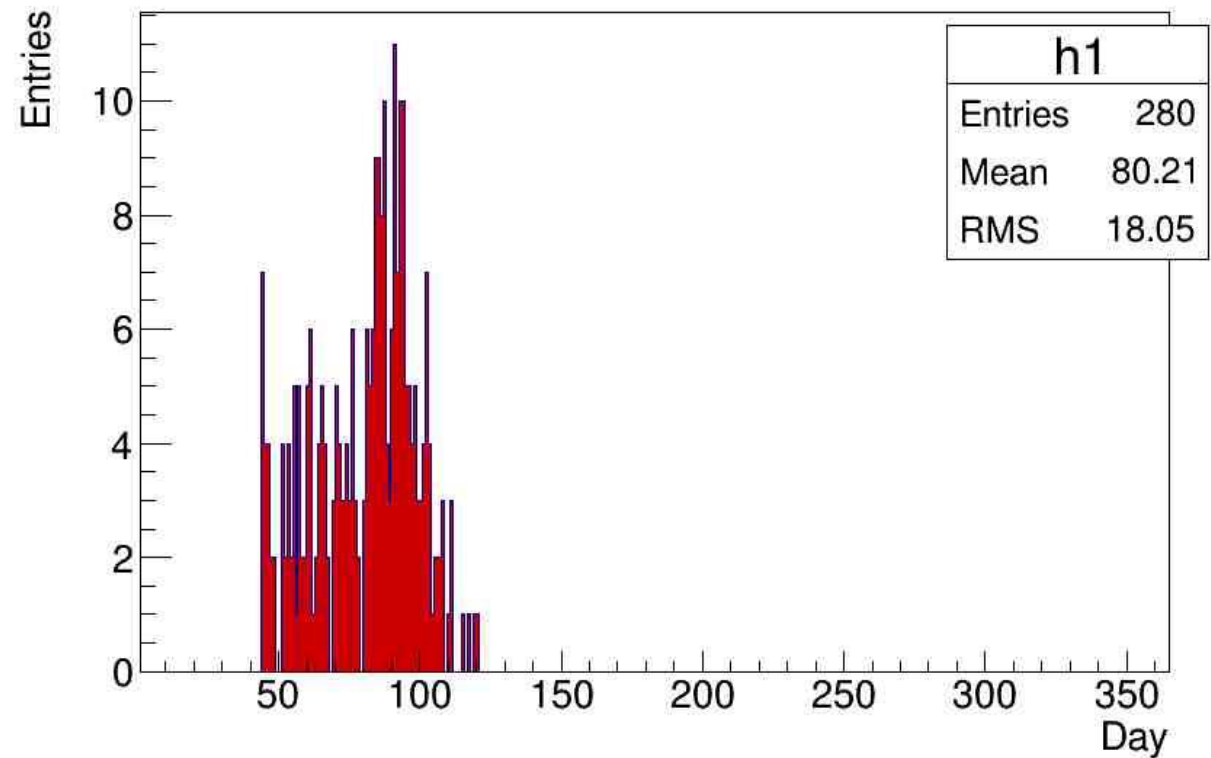
- Figure show the typical date of spring arrival (not only for 2013)
- For Uppsala spring occur near the end of March



Source: https://www.smhi.se/vadret/vadret-i-sverige/arstidskarta/ank_var_2013.html

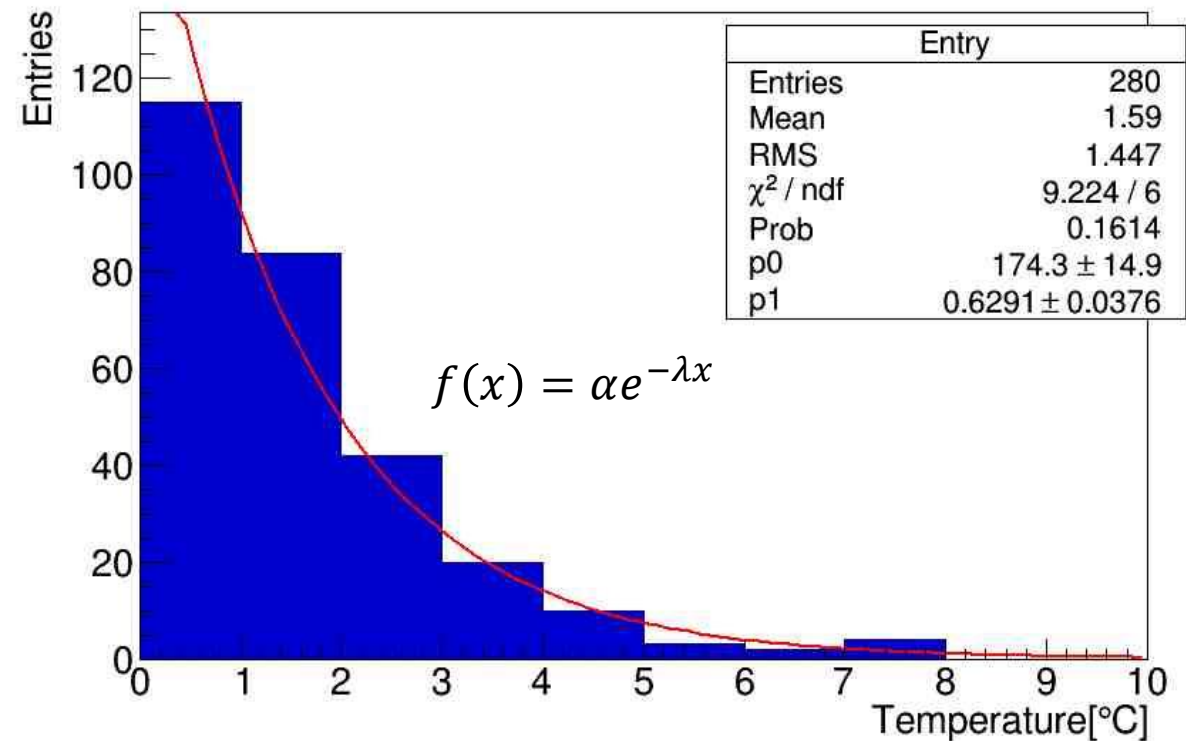
Histogram of spring dates

- Days span from 1 to 365
- Leap years are shifted by 1 day
- Mean at day 80 represent 20th of March or 21th of March if it's a leap year
- Standard deviation roughly 2.5 weeks



Temperature of determined dates

- Gradual increase in temperature yield decaying shape
- Fit using a exponential function
- p0 represent α
- p1 represent λ



Code

- Create two histograms

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TH1I *hDays = new TH1I("h1", "Spring hist;Day;Entries", 365, 1, 365); //Histogram of days
TH1D *hTemp = new TH1D("Entry", "Temperature on first day of spring;Temperature[#circC];Entries", 10, 0, 10); //Histogram of temps
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- Read data (+check conditions)

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hDays->Fill(dayCount - (daysWeek+1));
hTemp->Fill(sTemp);
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- Plot data

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//Draw extracted data
TCanvas* can = new TCanvas("canSpringDay", "Spring day", 900, 600);
hDays->SetFillColor(kRed+1);
hDays->Draw();
TCanvas* can2 = new TCanvas("canSpringDayTemp", "Temperature on first spring day", 900, 600);
hTemp->SetFillColor(kBlue+1);
hTemp->Draw();
//Define and fit exponential function to temperature histogram
TF1* fitExp = new TF1("Exponential", "[0]*exp(-[1]*x)", 0, 10);
fitExp->SetParameters(0,100);
fitExp->SetParameters(1,1);
hTemp->Fit(fitExp);
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