Analyzing Sakura Flowering Trends Under Climate Change*

Predicting Bloom Dates Using Historical Records and Temperature Data

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1 Introduction

Overview paragraph

Estimand paragraph

Results paragraph

Why it matters paragraph

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2 Data

2.1 Overview

Overview text

2.2 Measurement

Some paragraphs about how we go from a phenomena in the world to an entry in the dataset.

 $^{^*}$ Code and data are available at: https://github.com/leemarik/sakura-flowering-trends.git.

2.3 Outcome variables

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2.4 Predictor variables

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3 Model

To determine the impact of temperature on sakura flowering dates over centuries and develop predictive models for future trends under different climate scenarios, I used a linear regression model (LM) as a baseline and a generalized additive model (GAM) for capturing non-linear relationships in the data.

3.1 Linear Regression Model

The linear regression model I will be using is:

We run the model in R (R Core Team 2023) using the rstanarm package of Goodrich et al. (2022). We use the default priors from rstanarm.

3.2 Generalized Additive Model (GAM)

Where:

3.2.1 Model justification

4 Results

5 Discussion

5.1 First discussion point

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5.2 Second discussion point

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5.3 Third discussion point

5.4 Weaknesses and next steps

Weaknesses and next steps should also be included.

Appendix

- A Additional data details
- **B** Model details
- **B.1** Posterior predictive check
- **B.2 Diagnostics**

References

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