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Univariate time series

Introduction

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The object of study

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A **time series** is set of observations recorded in time order.

Many fields

- ▶ history (e.g. industrial revolution),
- ▶ geography (e.g. migratory flows),
- ▶ demography (e.g. growth of a population),
- ▶ economics (e.g. rate of inflation),
- ▶ finance (e.g. stock price),
- ▶ meteorology (e.g. temperatures),
- ▶ medicine (e.g. electrocardiogram),
- ▶ epidemiology (e.g. spread of a disease),
- ▶ geophysics (e.g. earthquakes),
- ▶ communication (e.g. digital television),
- ▶ energy (e.g. load curve, wind and solar generation),
- ▶ ...

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Some general questions

- Forecast and/or explain ?

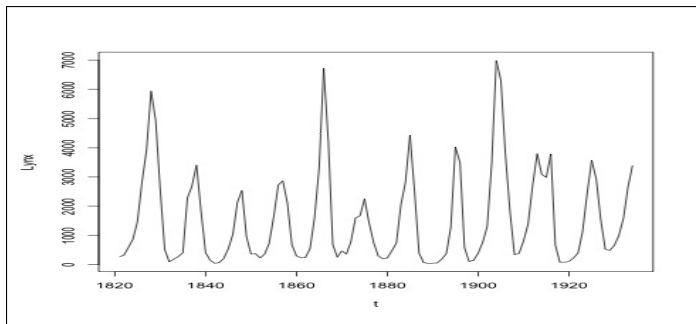


Figure: Numbers of annual lynx trappings in Canada from 1821 to 1934

- Forecast interval.
- Cost of the forecasting error.
- Aggregate experts ?
- Univariate or multivariate time series ?

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History of times series analysis

1. Graphics period

From 10th century (earlier ?), with astronomy:

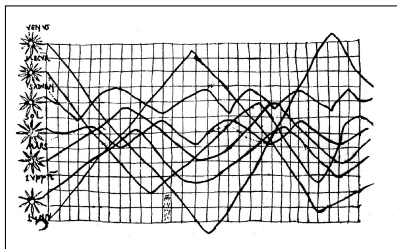


Figure: A.T. Macrobius, 10th century [4]

2. Deterministic period

From 18th century, with frequency analysis (Fourier, Stokes, Schuster) and trend-seasonality decomposition (Pearson).

3. Probabilistic period

From 20th century (Yule, Cramer, Wold, Kolmogorov).

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Music score



Figure: French song 18th century (Archives départementales du Pas-de-Calais)

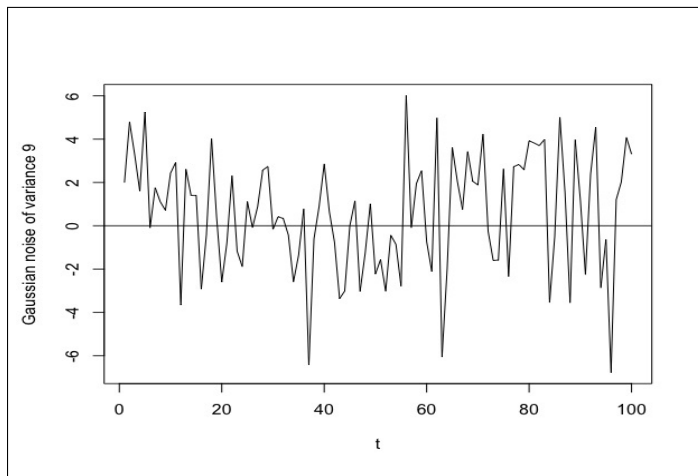
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Gaussian white noise with variance 9 ($n = 100$)



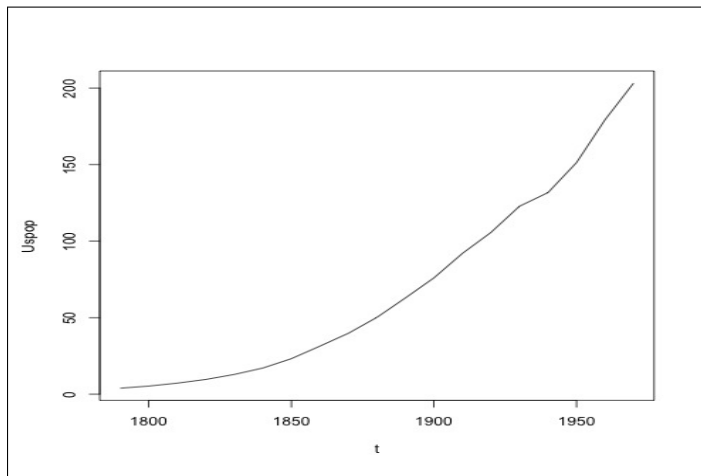
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10-years USA population from 1790 to 1990 (in millions)



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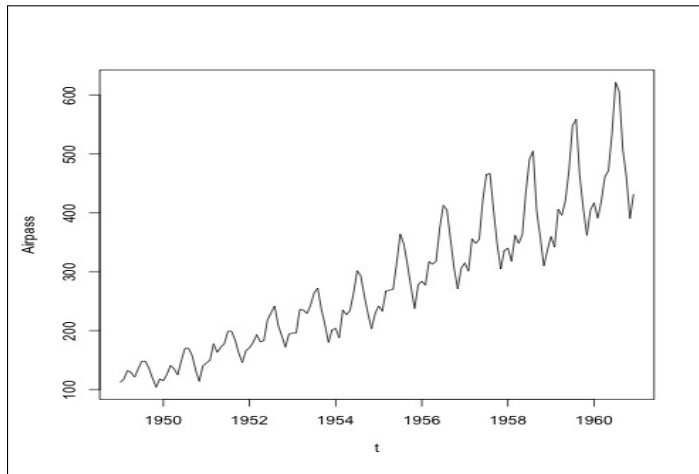
Monthly number international airline passengers (in millions) from January 1949 to December 1960

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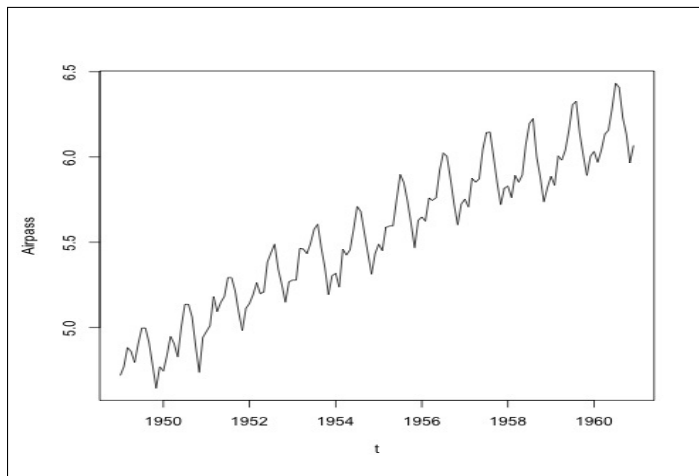
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Logarithm of *airpass*



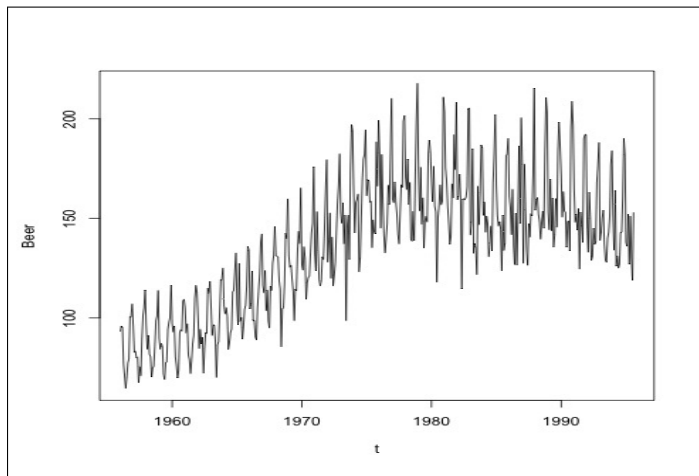
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Monthly Australian beer production (in megaliters) from January 1956 to February 1991



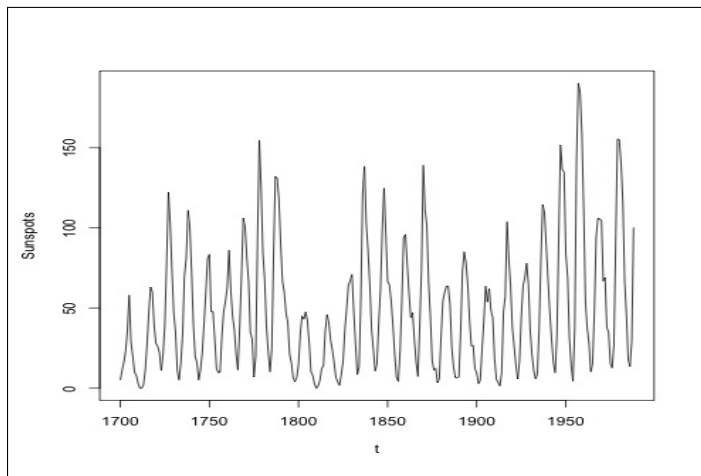
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Yearly number of sunspots from 1790 to 1970



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- ▶ understand the problematic of time dependent data (stationarity),
- ▶ use simple signal processing tools (periodogram),
- ▶ be able to use a linear modeling on time series,
- ▶ and forecast.

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