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“Experimental Data Processing”

Laboratory work 1
Relationship between solar radio flux F10.7 and sunspot number

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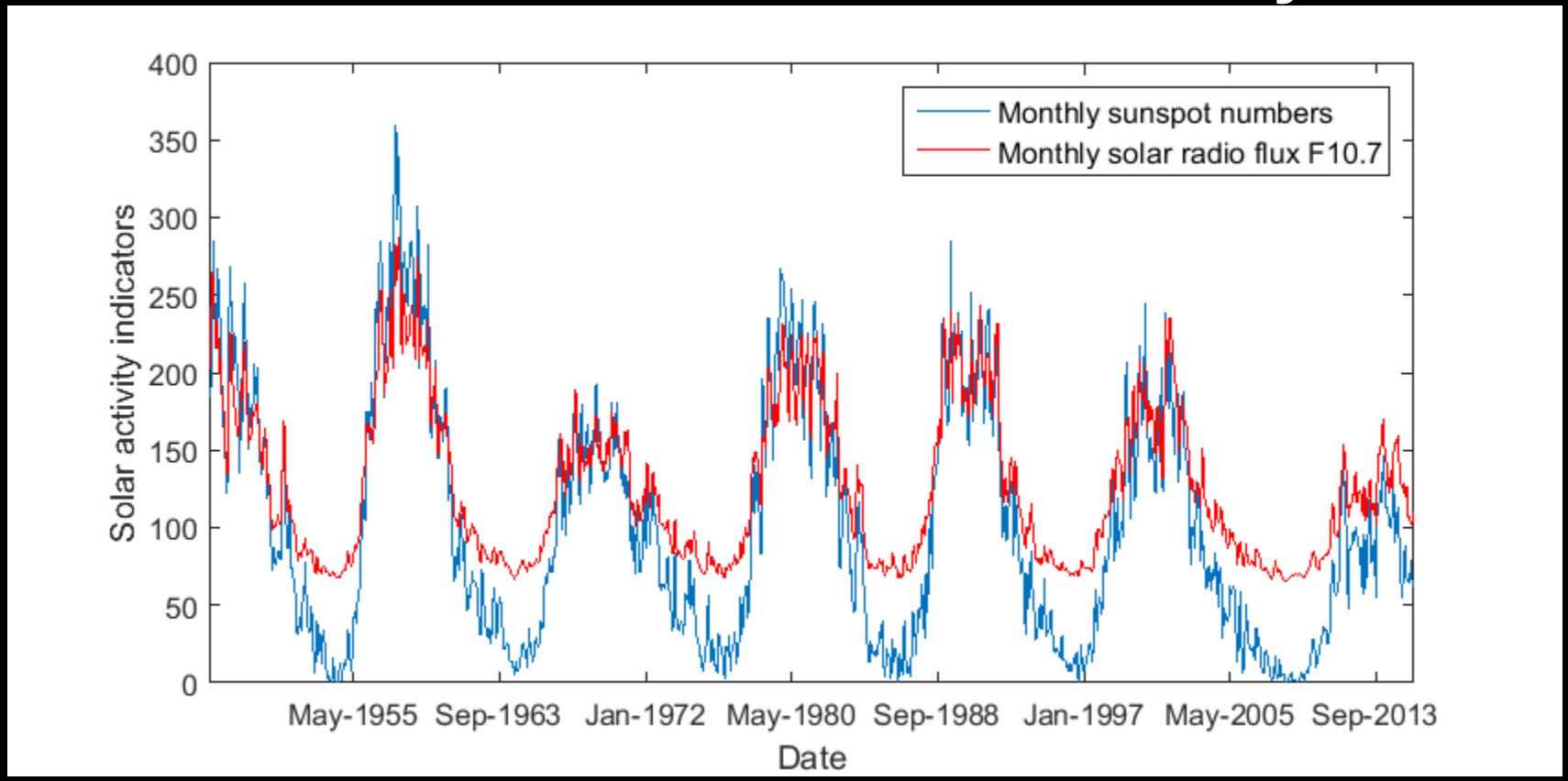
Main indicator of solar activity



Sunspot number

$$R = k(n + 10g)$$

n – number of observed sunspots

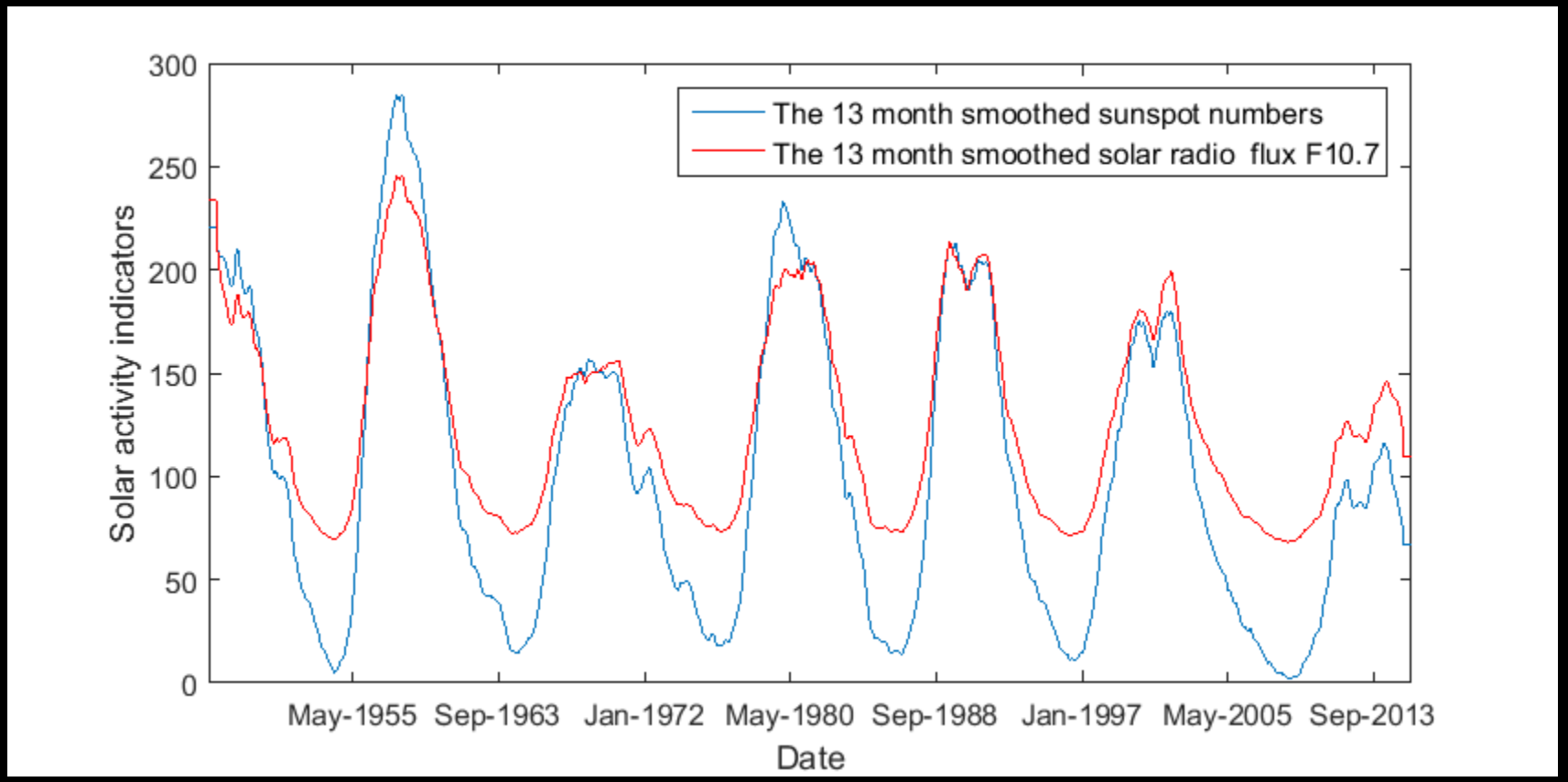
g – number of observed sunspot groups

k – coefficient of a telescope

Solar radio Flux at 10.7 cm

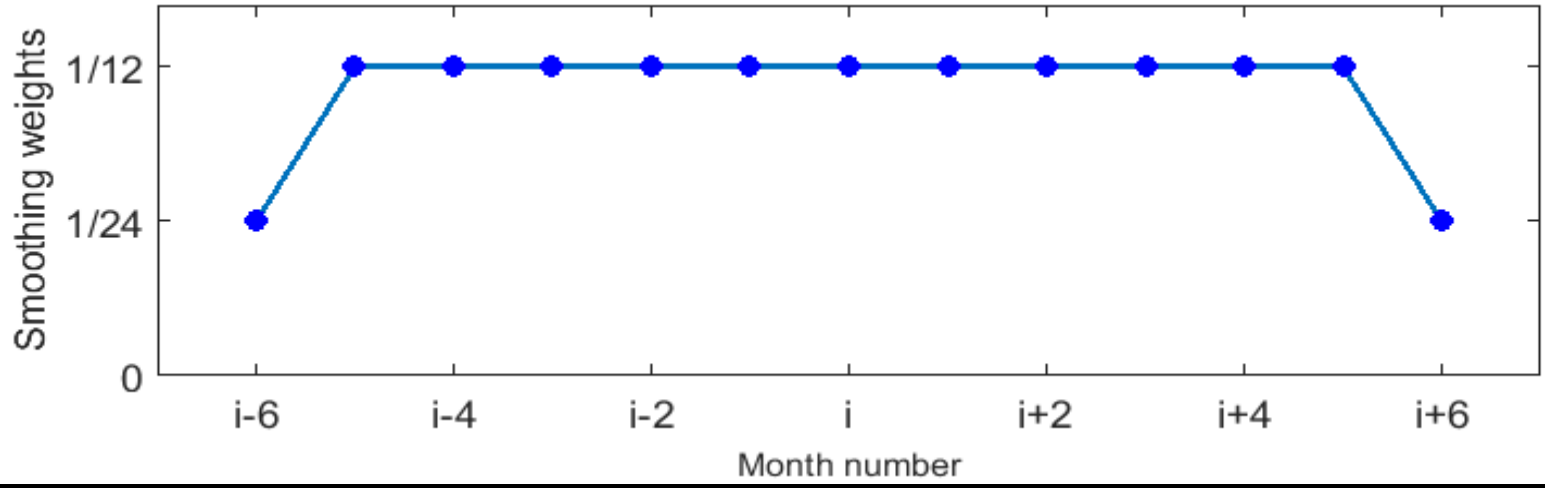
A measurement of radio emission at a wavelength of 10.7 cm (2800 MHz) from all sources present on the solar disk

Smoothing: 13-month running mean



13-month sequent monthly mean sunspot numbers

i-6 i-5 i-4 i-3 i-2 i-1 **i** i+1 i+2 i+3 i+4 i+5 i+6



13-month running mean $\overline{R}$

$$\frac{1}{24}R_{i-6}+\frac{1}{12}(R_{i-5}+R_{i-4}+\cdots+R_{i-1}+R_i+R_{i+1}+\cdots+R_{i+5})+\frac{1}{24}R_{i+6}$$

Multi-dimensional linear regression

$$F_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 R_i + \beta_2 R_i^2 + \beta_3 R_i^3 + \varepsilon_i$$

$$i = 1, \ldots . N$$

F_i
Dependent variable
Regressand

β_j
Coefficients of regression

R_i
Independent variable
Regressor

ε_i
Unbiased uncorrelated Gaussian noise with constant variance

Coefficients β_j are determined by LSM

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \varepsilon_i^2 \rightarrow min$$

Multi-dimensional linear regression

$$F = \begin{vmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \dots \\ f_N \end{vmatrix}$$

Vector of dependent variables

$$\beta = \begin{vmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Vector of coefficients

$$R = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & r_1 & r_{1^2} & r_1^3 \\ 1 & r_2 & r_2^2 & r_3^3 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & r_N & r_N^2 & r_N^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Matrix of independent variables

$$\varepsilon = \begin{vmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \dots \\ \varepsilon_N \end{vmatrix}$$

Vector of random errors

Linear regression in matrix form

$$F = R \cdot \beta + \varepsilon$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(R^T R\right)^{-1} R^T F$$

Linear Regression Analysis,
G.A.F. Seber and J. Lee, Wiley, N.Y., 2003

Estimation error of solar radio flux F10.7

Covariance matrix of estimation error

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N-1}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(f_i - \hat{f}_i\right)^2$$