Time Series Analysis - Assignment 1: Introduction

Objective: The objective of this assignment is to introduce students to time series data by exploring a dataset, decomposing it into its components, and handling missing values using different strategies.

Requirements:

1. Dataset Visualization:

- Load the time series dataset.
- Ensure the dataset has a date column that is parsed correctly as a datetime index.
- Plot the time series data using appropriate visualization techniques (line chart, scatter plot, etc).
- Add labels, titles, and a legend to the chart.

2. Statistical Analysis:

 Compute and report statistical values of the time series (ex mean, variance, min and max values)

3. Introduce Missing Values:

- Randomly remove a subset of data points from the dataset to simulate missing values.
- Visualize the dataset after introducing missing values to observe the impact.

4. Handling Missing Values:

- Implement backward/forward fill, moving average and linear interpolation strategies to handle missing values.
- Apply each strategy separately and visualize the results.

5. Time Series Decomposition:

- Decompose the time series into its components: trend, seasonality, and residuals.
- Use the additive and multiplicative decomposition models
- Display the decomposed components in separate subplots. Which is the most appropriate and why?

6. Creation of new basic synthetic time series

- After time series decomposition, generate new residual component
- Recompose the signal using the same Trend, Seasonality and the new residual component
- Plot the new time series. How does it look compared to the original one?

7. Implementation Details:

- You can use Python and the following libraries: pandas, numpy, matplotlib, seaborn, and statsmodels.
- Ensure the notebook is well-structured with proper markdown explanations.
- Include inline comments for clarity in the code.

Deliverables:

- A Jupyter Notebook (.ipynb) containing:
 - Dataset visualization
 - Time series decomposition
 - Handling missing values with both strategies
 - New synthetic TS
 - Clear explanations (use markdown components for explanations) and visualizations

Evaluation Criteria:

- Correctness and clarity of the implementation
- Quality of visualizations and explanations
- Proper handling requirements
- Code readability and explanations

Deadline:

- Submit your notebook on moodle until 16 march 23:59 for full grade
- Allowed delay: 23 march 23:59 with 2 points penalisation

Datasets:

You can use one of the following datasets for your assignment:

- https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/sumanthvrao/daily-climate-time-series-data
- https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/kingki19/semarang-daily-climate-data-2020-2023