

Sunspot data from 17th-19th centuries

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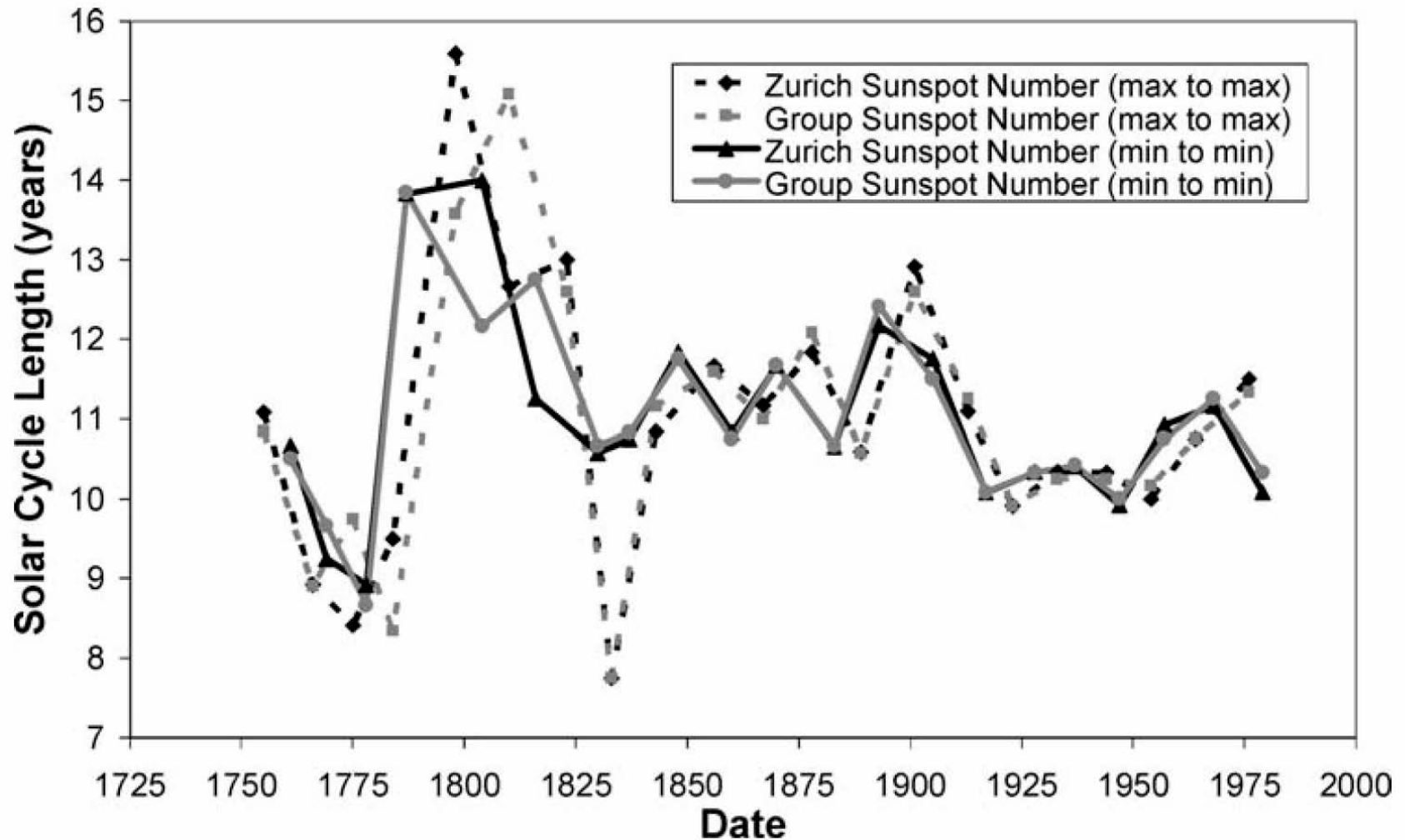
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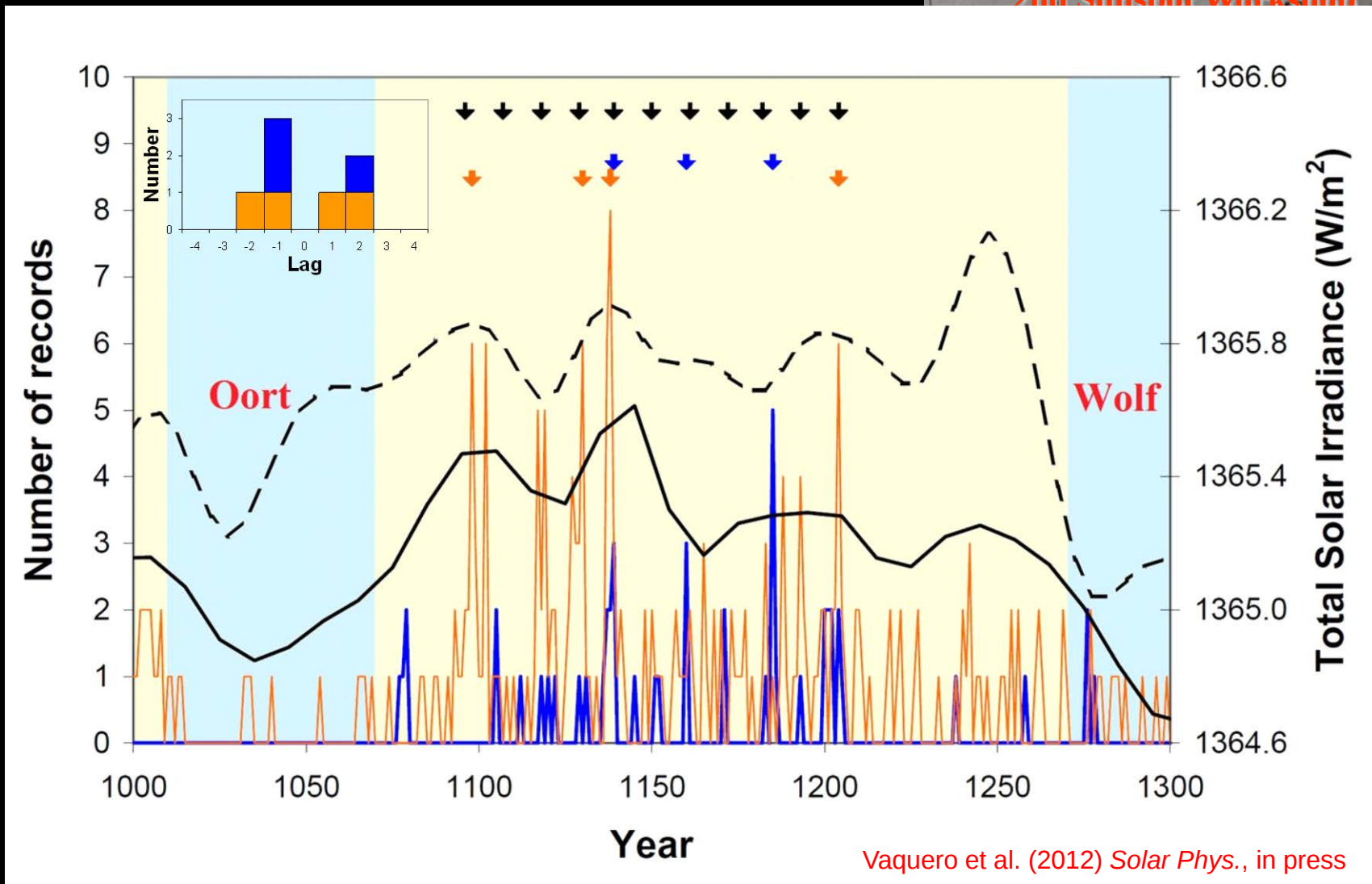
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1. Introduction

Solar Cycle Amplitude (SCA) and Solar Cycle Length (SCL) in historical times



Vaquero et al. (2006) *Solar Phys.* **235**, 433.



Solar activity proxies during the period 1000–1300: TSI reconstructed by Steinhilber et al. (2009) (dashed black line) and by Vieira et al. (2011) (continuous black line), annual number of naked-eye observations of sunspots (Vaquero et al., 2002) (blue line), and annual number of auroral nights (Křivský & Pejml, 1988) (orange line). Black arrows are evenly spaced maxima of solar cycle derived from our study. Arrows correspond to estimated maxima of solar cycle using naked-eye observations (blue) and auroral nights (orange). Graphic inserted shows a histogram of the delays (in years) between the fitted and estimated maxima of solar cycle.

2. A simple test to check inconsistencies in sunspot number series

20 May 20 May 27 May 28 May
2nd Sunspot Workshop
Brussels, 21-25 May 2012

Active days, AD, are days with sunspots reported on the solar disc.

AD has been taken as a reliable indicator of solar activity, especially during periods of minimum activity (Maunder, 1922; Harvey and White, 1999; Usoskin, Mursula, and Kovaltsov, 2000, 2001, 2004).

In fact, an equivalent index (inactive days with no spots) was used by Schwabe (1844) to discover the solar cycle.

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Schreiben des Herrn Professors *Plantamour*, Directors der Sternwarte in Genf, an den Herausgeber.
Genève 1844. Janvier 23.

Monsieur,

Je suis très-reconnaissant de la prompte communication que vous nous avez faite de la lettre de Mr. *Gauss* par votre circulaire du 5 Janvier. La forme exceptionnelle de l'orbite de cette comète, qui fait une espèce de transition à la forme des orbites planétaires, est un fait fort intéressant. Ce n'est qu'après que j'ai eu le temps de comparer les éléments calculés par Mr. *Goldschmidt* *) avec les positions observées à Genève; mais avant d'indiquer les résultats de cette comparaison, je vous donnerai d'abord les observations de la comète, que j'ai faites depuis ma dernière lettre.

T. moy. Genève.	AR. appar.	Decl. appar.
1843 Déc. 17,3692	5h 13m 10s 36	+3° 20' 36" 9
1844 Janv. 9,2950	5 8 20,77	3 24 1,7
11,3118	5 8 35,07	3 31 48,9
12,3410	5 8 44,48	3 36 7,4
16,3813	5 9 41,06	3 54 57,7
18,4221	5 10 20,29	4 5 33,9

*) Die ersten Elemente des Herrn Doctors *Goldschmidt*. S.

J'ai trouvé maintenant les différences suivantes entre les longitudes et latitudes géocentriques calculées au moyen des éléments de Mr. *Goldschmidt* et les longitudes et latitudes données par l'observation.

		Erreurs des éléments	
		Longitude.	Latitude.
1843 Décembre	3	+ 29' 5	— 4' 3
	9	+ 3,9	— 20,8
	17	— 19,8	— 28,0
1844 Janvier	9	— 30,9	+2' 1,3
	11	— 21,6	+2 21,5
	12	— 6,6	+2 31,9
	16	+ 36,4	+3 23,1
	18	+1 5,6	+3 50,0

Cette comparaison montre que les éléments ont besoin d'une correction, pour pouvoir représenter les observations du mois de Janvier; mais, avant d'entreprendre cette correction, j'attendrai que la comète ait terminé son apparition; car j'espère pouvoir l'observer encore pendant quelque temps, quoiqu'elle ait déjà beaucoup diminué d'éclat.

E. *Plantamour*.

Sonnen-Beobachtungen im Jahre 1843. Von Herrn Hofrath *Schwabe* in Dessau.

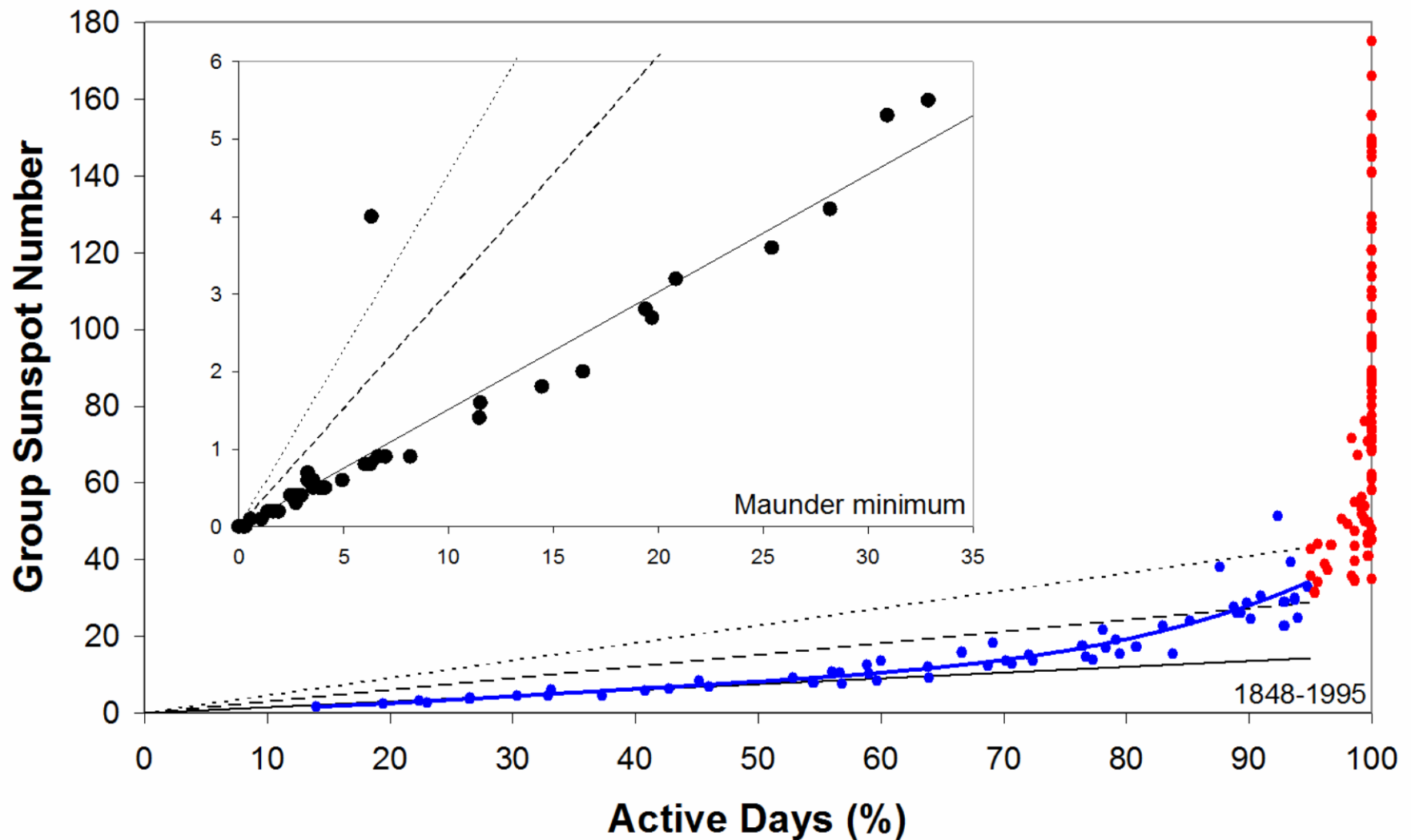
Die Witterung war in diesem Jahre so äußerst günstig, daß ich die Sonne an 312 Tagen genau beobachten konnte, dennoch zählte ich nur 34 Gruppen Sonnenflecken, von denen die meisten aus einzelnen kleinen Flecken oder Punkten und wenige aus mehreren behafteten Kernflecken bestanden. Zu diesen zahlreicheren Gruppen gehörten vorzüglich drei, welche sich durch ihre Beständigkeit auszeichneten. Im Januar, Februar und März trat eine dieser Gruppen dreimal, im April, Mai und Juni eine andere viermal und im Juli, August und September eine dritte dreimal ein. Die zahlreichsten und größten Flecken enthielt die zweite der genannten Gruppen; ihr westlichster und größter Flecken war bei den beiden ersten Vorübergängen mit unbewaffnetem Auge als ein feines Pünktchen kenntlich, indem er bei dem ersten Vorübergang am 30^{ten} April 1' 8" 36 und bei dem zweiten am 31^{ten} Mai 1' 37" 72 im größten Durchmesser hatte.

An 149 Tagen, die durch alle Monate ziemlich gleich verteilt waren, bemerkte ich keine Flecken und nur selten einiges Bedeutende Lichtgewölke; meistens war die Oberfläche der Sonne vollkommen gleichförmig hell und bei günstiger Luft zeigte sie sich wie mit feinem Griessande oder hellen Körnern bestreuet.

Schon aus meinen früheren Beobachtungen, die ich jähr-

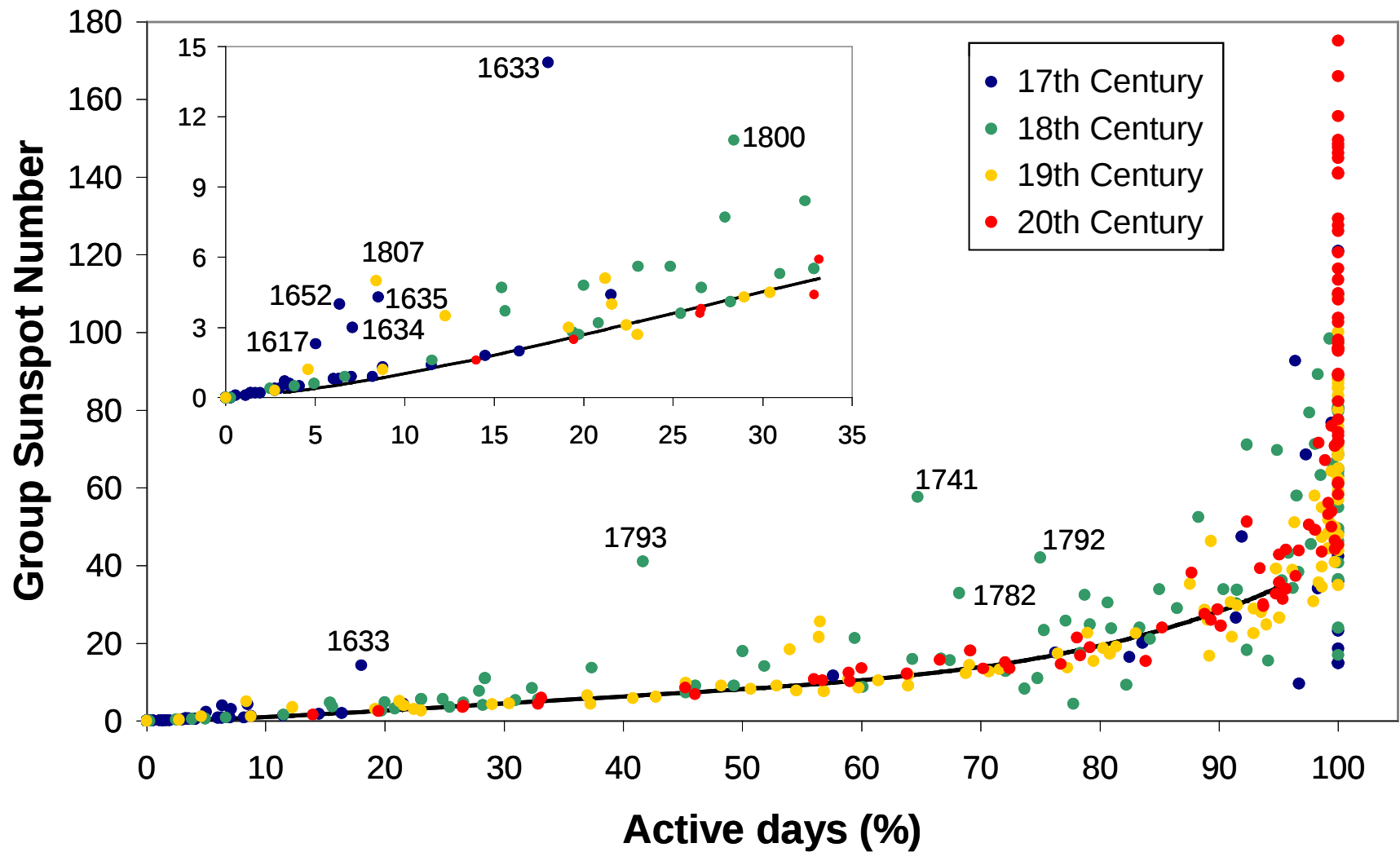
lich in dieser Zeitschrift mittheile, scheint sich eine gewisse Periodicität der Sonnenflecken zu ergeben und diese Wahrscheinlichkeit gewinnt durch die diesjährigen noch an Sicherheit. Obgleich ich schon in Band 15. Nr. 350 pag. 246 der Astr. Nachrichten die Menge der Gruppen in den Jahren 1826 bis 1837 angab, so füge ich doch hier noch ein vollständiges Verzeichniß aller meiner bisher beobachteten Sonnenflecken bei, worin ich neben der Zahl der Gruppen auch die Zahl der Beobachtungstage und der fleckenfreien Tage angemerkt habe. Die Zahl der Gruppen allein giebt nämlich keine hinreichende Genauigkeit zur Beurtheilung einer Periode, weil ich mich überzeugt habe, daß bei sehr starken Anhäufungen der Sonnenflecken eine etwas zu geringe bei dem sparsamen Erscheinen derselben eine etwas zu große Anzahl der Gruppen gerechnet wird. Im ersten Falle fliessen oft mehrere Gruppen zu einer einzigen zusammen und im zweiten trennt sich leicht eine Gruppe, durch Auflösung einiger Flecken, in zwei einzelne. Hiermit wird wohl die Wiederholung des früheren Verzeichnisses entschuldigt sein.

Jahr.	Gruppen.	Fleckenfreie tage.	Beobachtungstage.
1826	118	22	277
1827	161	2	273
1828	225	0	282



Vaquero et al. (2012) *Solar Phys.* **277**, 389

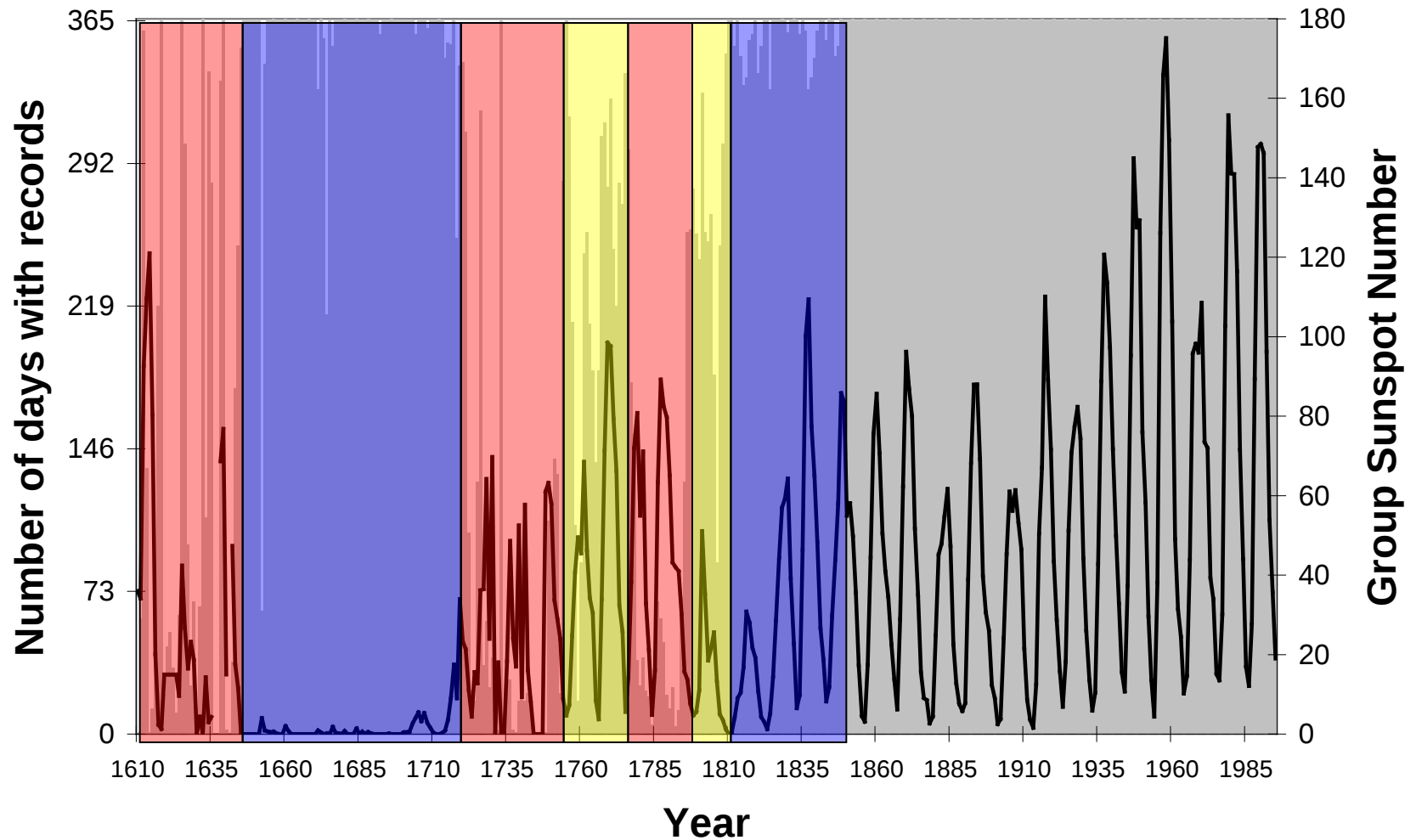
Relationship between GSN and AD for 1848–1995 from Hoyt & Schatten (1998). Polynomial fit (order 4) is shown for AD < 95% (blue line and points). Graphic inserted shows the same relationship during the Maunder minimum. Black lines represent the theoretical values for an average observer with 1 (continuous), 2 (dashed), and 3 (dotted) groups for each active day.



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Relationship between GSN and AD for all available data from Hoyt & Schatten (1998). Black line is the polynomial fit of last Figure. The inset presents an enlarged version but restricted to values AD < 35%.

3. Problems in historical records



Vaquero (2007) *Adv. Spa. Res.* **40**, 929.

3. Problems in historical records

Calendar problems

Groups or sunspots?

Change of date

Partial information from eclipse reports

Tasks remaining after Hoyt and Schatten's work

- Lost original observations

- Lost daily data

- Observations not included in the database

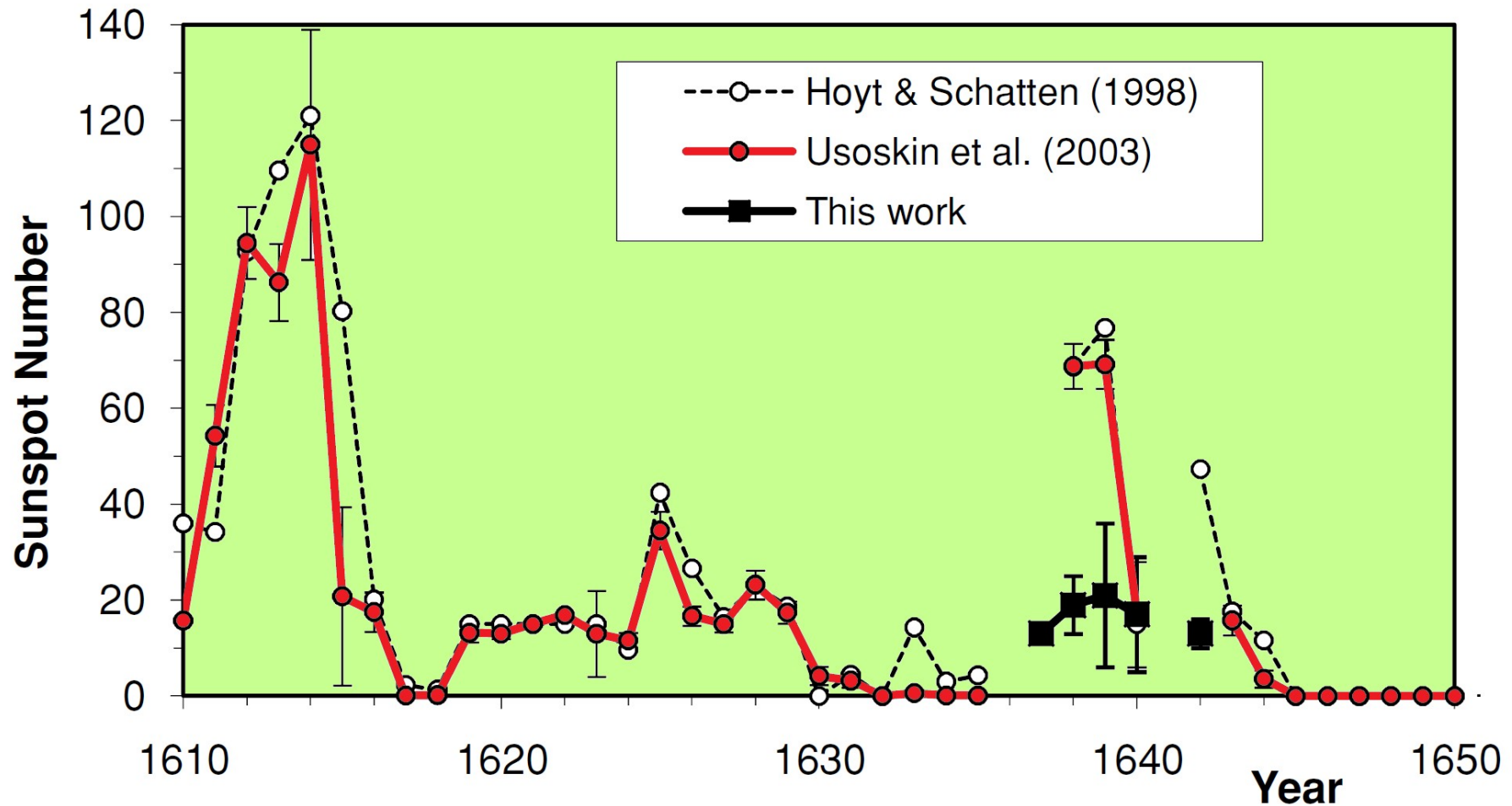
- Observations too vague, ambiguous or narrative style

- Incomplete observations

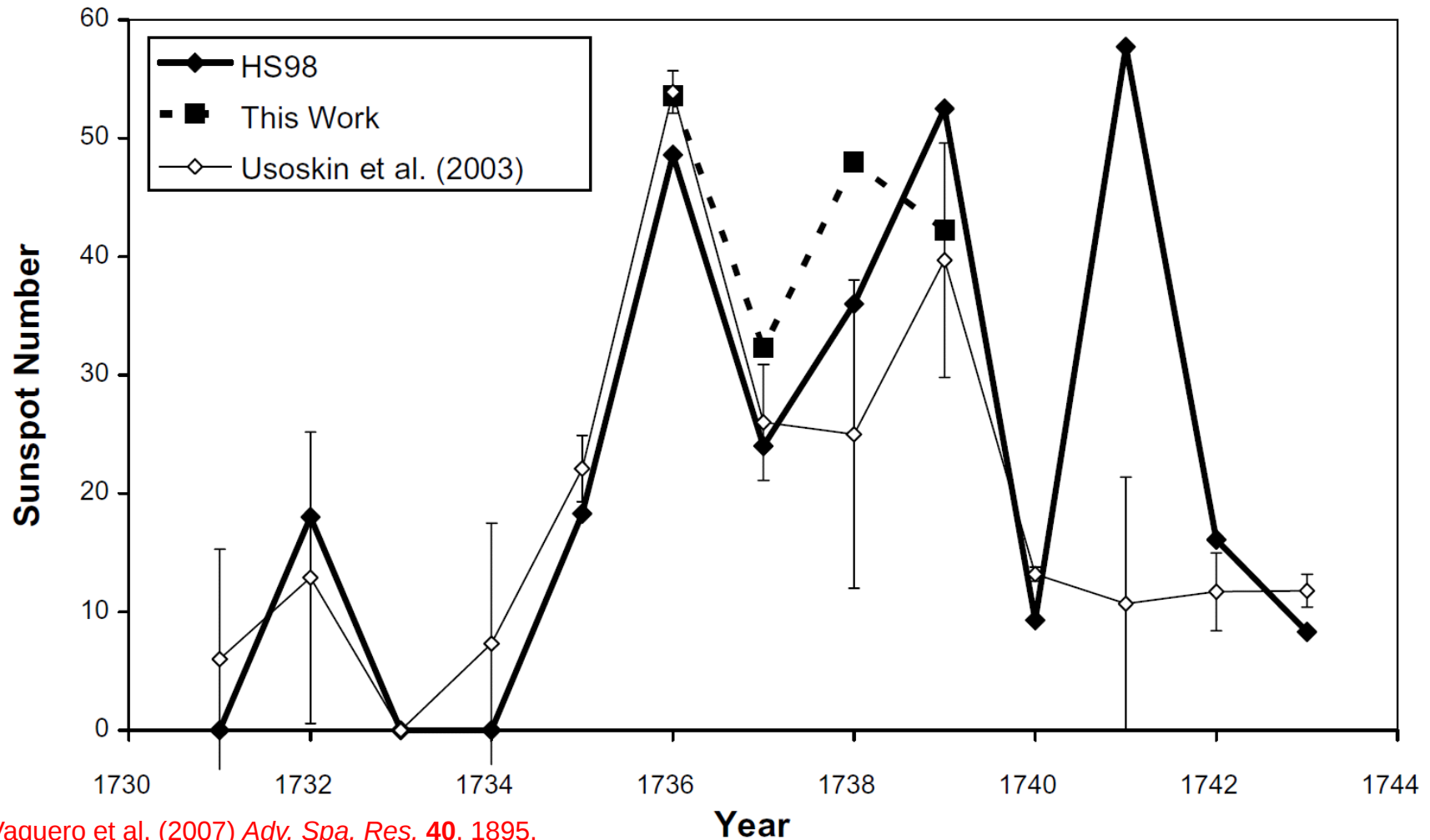
- References need to be re-checked



3.1. Case studies (I) [published]: (a) Onset of Maunder Minimum



3.1. Case studies (I) [published]: (b) Solar Cycle #-1



3.2. Case studies (II) [unpublished]: (a) 1652

Wolf, Mittheilungen über die Sonnenflecken.

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73) Gren, Neues Journal der Physik.

Band 3 enthält einen Aufsatz von Murhard über Atmosphäre der Sonne, des Mondes, etc.

74) Johannis Hevelii Epistolæ II. Prior: De motu lunæ libatorio ad J. B. Ricciolum. Posterior: De utriusque Luminaris defectu A. 1654. ad P. Nucerium. Gedani 1654. fol. —

Er erzählt, dass bei der Sonnenfinsterniss am 12. August 1654 die Sonne ganz fleckenfrei gewesen sei.

75) Illustribus Viris, Petro Gassendo et Ismaeli Bullialdo, Johannis Hevelius.

Acht, »Gedani 1652 die 10. Julii, st. n.« datirte Folioseiten über die Sonnenfinsterniss vom 8. April 1652. Er erzählt, dass er am 1. April 5 Flecken, am 3. noch 2 gesehen habe, die aber am 6. in Fackeln degenerirt seien, so dass man am 7. und 8. April gar nichts in der Sonne gesehen habe.

76) Observationes Astronomicæ Annis 1781–1783 in Observatorio Havniensi. Auctore Thoma Bugge. Havniæ 1784. 4.

Enthält nichts über Sonnenflecken.

77) Observationes siderum habitæ Pisis Annis 1778–1782. Edit. Jos. Slop de Cadenberg. Pisis 1789. 4.

Enthält nichts über Sonnenflecken.

78. Francisci Blanchini Observationes Astronomicæ. Coll. Eustachii Manfredi. Veronæ 1737. 4.

Anno 1703 verfolgte er vom 20–29. Juni einen Flecken. 1707 April 2 spricht er von einem Flecken; Mai 5 und 6 sucht er wiederholt Merkur in der Sonne, aber sagt nichts von Flecken. 1708 Septemb. 11 und 12 beobachtet er einen Flecken. 1715 April 28 bis Mai 4 verfolgt er einen Flecken; Mai 30 sah er eine Fackel und am 31. zwei kleine Flecken bei derselben, die er auch am 1. Juni noch sah, während er am 2. wieder

NUMBER OF SUNSPOT GROUPS FOR THE YEAR: 1652
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3.2. Case studies (II) [unpublished]: (a) 1652

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3.2. Case studies (II) [unpublished]: (b) 1741

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NUMBER OF SUNSPOT GROUPS FOR THE YEAR: 1741
AS OBSERVED BY: WINTHROP, J., CAMBRIDGE, MA

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3.2. Case studies (II) [unpublished]: (b) 1741

1. Went to Post - came back. Had ~~the~~

10. noon. y. grst numb^r of spots in y^e O & over saw. One I discovered with my naked eye but only a colored glass to save it with the telescope appeared to be a cluster of spots except black & vinegar on small sides with a nebula. Between y^e, y^e evening 9 or 6^m that part of y^e O, on y^e evening a considerable aurora, with alt^y 0^o dock was covered by y^e clouds. Till now y^e winter has been very severe, Port^o harbor quite froze up, loaded sleds drive over Charlestown ferry &c.

11. ~~How~~

2. a gyl-thaw

11. Snow.
12. A g. t. thaw.
13. Cloudy, warm. alt. noon had a sight of a g. t. spot.
14. With only a red glaze.

John Winthrop's annotated almanac (HUM 9, Box 4, Volume 2)

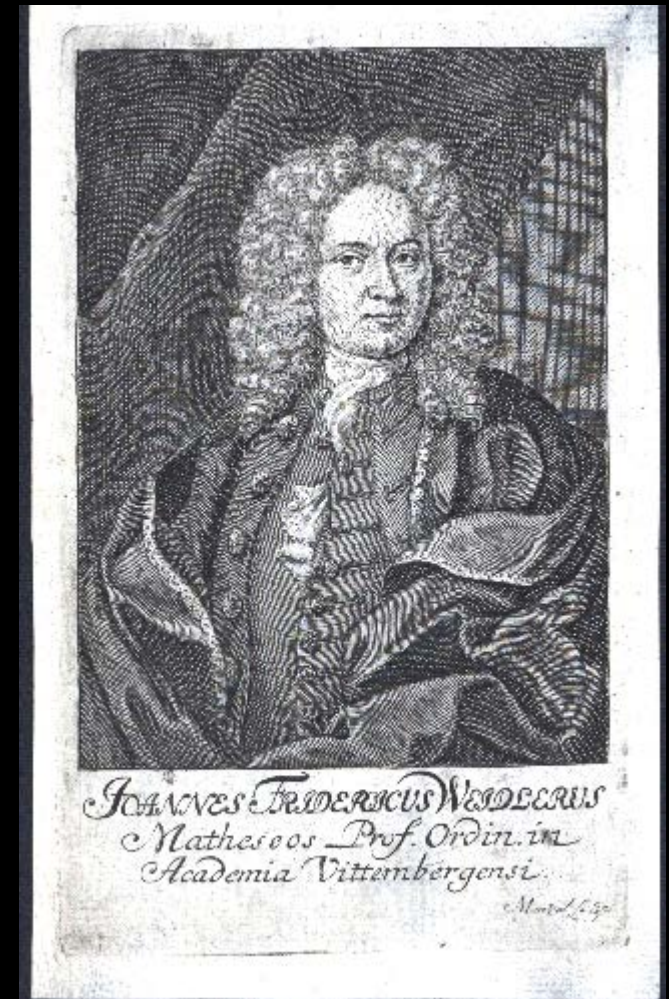
1741. JANUARY hath 31 Days.

BEHOLD yon Mountains hoary Height
Made higher with new Mounts of Snow,
Again behold the Winters weight
Oppress the lab'ring Woods below :
And Streams with Icy Fetters bound
Benum'd and Cramp'd to solid Ground.
With well-heap'd Logs dissolve the Cold,
And feed the genial Heat with Fires ;
Produce the Wine that makes us bold,
And sprightly Wit and Love inspires : *Dry d. Hor.*

M. W. Courts, Spr. Fid. Asp. Weath. & R. O. S. F. Sea & pl. Enmat.

15	unsettled Weather	7	25	5	7	16	21
26	8 O 8 violent Winds	7	24	5	8	00	thighs
37	6 8 D and stormy	7	24	5	8	48	16
4D	8 4 D but now Fair	7	23	5	9	36	26
52	Earb & Gold Strive for Mastery	7	22	5	10	33	knecs
63	Inf C Boston York & S. Kingstan	7	21	5	11	28	28
74	Falling Weather and a driving	7	21	5	12	23	legs
85	8 h 8 Storm about this	7	20	5	1	17	28
96	□ 4 D Time ● Perige	7	19	5	2	13	feet
107	middling Tides	7	18	5	3	5	27
11D	slippery weather	7	17	5	3	56	head
12	□ h D Now a cold	7	16	5	4	47	28
33	8 O h Storm	7	15	5	5	38	neck
44	Avifible 6 of Finery & Fraud	7	14	5	6	34	2
55	8 4 8 fair Weather in some	7	13	5	7	15	arms
66	6 4 D & frosty Nights Places	7	12	5	8	6	20
77	8 8 D-S Wind and	7	11	5	8	53	breast
8D	a Thaw	7	10	5	9	40	16
92	Prince of WALES born	7	09	5	10	29	29
203	Inf C Barnstable 6 h D	7	08	5	11	13	heart
214	Small spring Tides	7	07	5	12	00	24
225	Alas ! An unkind 8 coming on	7	06	5	12	44	belly
236	portends a bad Time for ● Apoge	7	05	5	1	28	18
247	LOVERS, and many Matches	7	04	5	2	13	reins
25D	disappointell Now expect a Plenty	7	03	5	2	56	13
262	8 8 8 either Rain or	7	02	5	3	40	24
273	Sup. C. Charlestown □ h D	7	00	5	4	24	secrets
284	Snow, or a Mixture, causing	6	59	6	5	8	18
295	bad Ways, and heavy Travel	6	58	6	5	53	night
306	ling ; like some Mediums of	6	56	6	6	40	13
317	Trade. Pretty cold after it	6	54	6	7	28	26

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Johann Friedrich Weidler (1691- 1755)

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OBSERVATIONES.						
1728 Iulius St. N. D. H.		Barom. alt. Dig. Lin.	Therm. alt. Gr.	Vent.	Tempestas.	Pluvia Cub. Lin.
29. 6	17. 5	33		W. N. W. 0	pluit lente	4. 18
12	- 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$		S. W. 1	continuat plu. ad h. 11.	5. 14
8	- 6	34 $\frac{1}{4}$		S. o.	caliginosum pluit	9. 9
30. 6	- 7	44		S. W. 3	nubes tenues sparsae plu.	- 4
12	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{2}$			serenum albae nub. passim plu. noct.	- 9
8	- 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{3}{4}$		W. N. W. 1	idem. pluit h. 6. p. m.	- 9
31. 6	- 8	45		S. W. 1	nubilosum pluit	- 8
					sparsae nubes albae plu. noct.	- 3
					pluu. h. 8. a. m.	- 2
					maculae 7. sub ☉ maxima $\frac{1}{2}$ diam. folis par. stipata utrim-	
					que paruis quatuor, quae totum tractum cui incumbabant obscurum reddere, et unam maculam referre uidebantur.	
12	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$			nubilosum.	
8		33		S. W. 2	idem.	
Pluvia M. Iulii.						77.20
Nota						
1. altit. max. ☉ 27. 9. d. 6.						
2. altit. min. ei. 27. 2. d. 28.						
3. altit. max. therm. 11. d. 1.						
4. altit. minim. ei. 48. d. 18.						
M. Augustus. 1728.						
1. 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	47		S. W. 0	nubilosum. plu. noct.	8
12	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$		S. W. 1	albae nubes sparsae. plu. h. 9.	10
8	- 7	26			nubilosum.	
2. 6	- 6	37 $\frac{1}{4}$		O. o	idem. pluit noctu	24. 7
					iterum h. 8. pluit.	9
12	- 5	28		S. W. 0	caliginosum. tonat et pluit	10
					denuo pluit p. m. h. 3.	13
					et h. 4.	9

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METEOROLOGICAE.						45
1728 August. St. N. D. H.	Barom. alt. Dig. Lin.	Therm. alt. Gr.	Vent.	Tempestas.	Pluvia Cub.Lin.	
8	- 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	N. W. 3	caliginosum.		
3. 6	- 7	49		serenum plu. noct.	- 9	
12	- 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	N. W. 2	nubilosum. pluit h. 11. et 12	2. 14	
				hor. 3. et 5.	7. 5	
8	- 8	46	W. 2	nubilosum.		
4 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	49	S. W. 3	idem. pluit noctu	- 4	
12	- 7	40 $\frac{3}{4}$	N. W. 2	idem. pluit	1. 16	
8	- 8	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	N. W. 1	idem		
5. 6	- 8	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	S. W. 2	pluit	5	
12	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{4}$	S. W. 1.	caliginosum.		
8	- 8	31	S. W. 2	idem. pluit. h. 7.	- 10	
6. 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{3}{4}$	S. W. 0	caliginosum. plu. noct.	1. 20	
12	- 7	23 $\frac{3}{4}$	S. W. 1	nubilosum.		
8	- 5	19 $\frac{3}{4}$		albae nubes sparsae.		
7. 6	- 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{4}$	W. S. W. 2	caliginosum. pluit	- 5	
12	- 7	27	W. S. W. 1	idem pluit h. 1.	1. 17	
8	- 8	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	W. 2	idem pluit h. 8.	6	
8. 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	S. 0	albae nubes sparsae.		
12	- 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	26 $\frac{1}{4}$	S. 1	idem c.		
8	- 8	20	S. 2	caliginosum. pluit h. 10. uesp.	21	
9 6	- 7	40 $\frac{1}{4}$	S. W. 1	nubilosum.		
12	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	35	N. N. W. 2	serenum.		
8	- 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	30 $\frac{3}{4}$	N. W. 0	idem. pluit p. m.	- 15	
10. 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	44	S. O. 0	albae nubes sparsae.		
12	- 7	27		idem.		
8	- 9	18 $\frac{1}{4}$	N. O. 1	serenum		
11. 6	- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	37	W. S. W. 1	pluit lente	2	
12	- 8	30 $\frac{1}{4}$	W. S. W. 1	caliginosum.		
8	- 9	33	S. W. 0	idem.		
12. 6	- 11	46 $\frac{3}{4}$	S. S. W. 1	serenum. duae magnae maculae in sole spectatae quaevis diam. solis.	3	

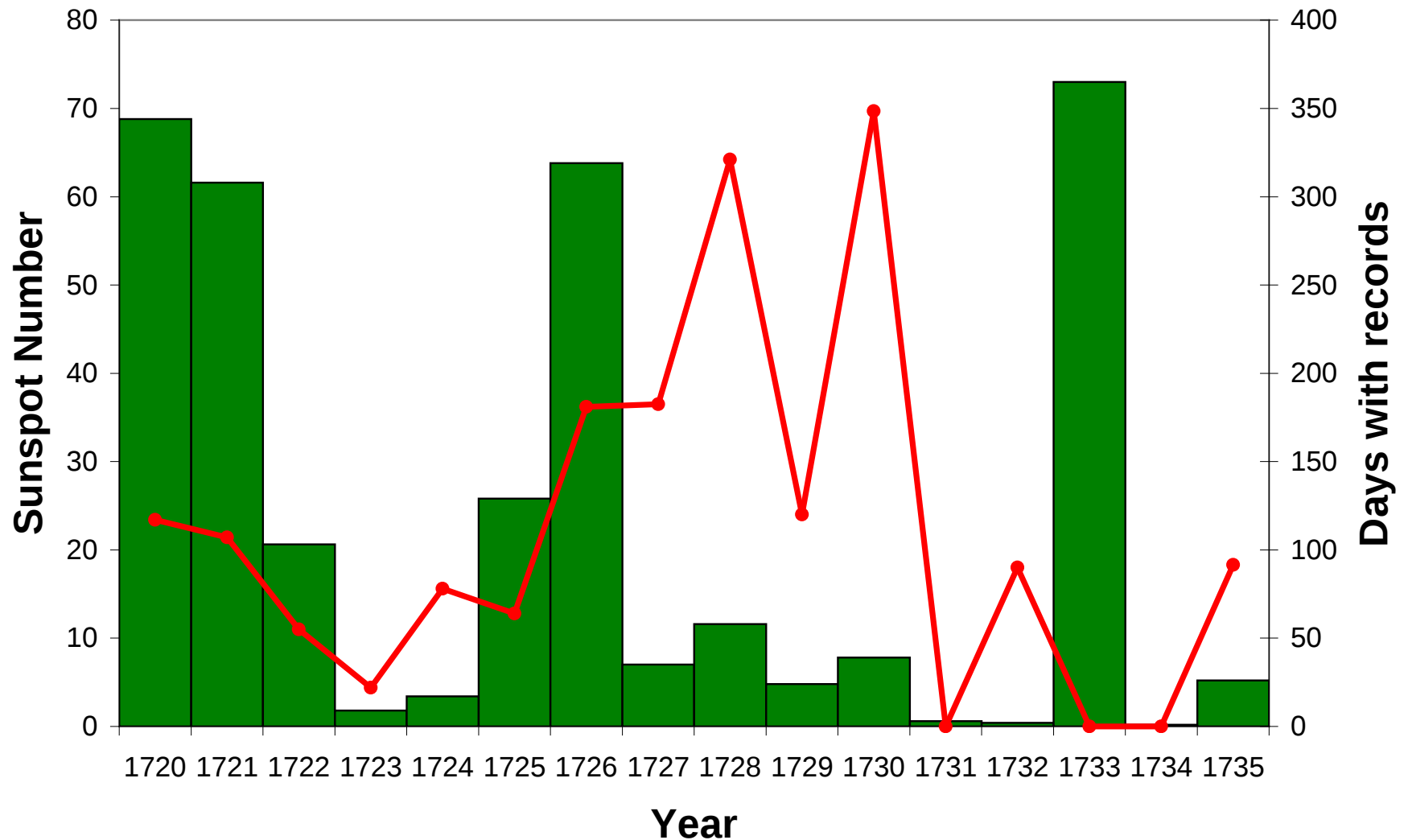
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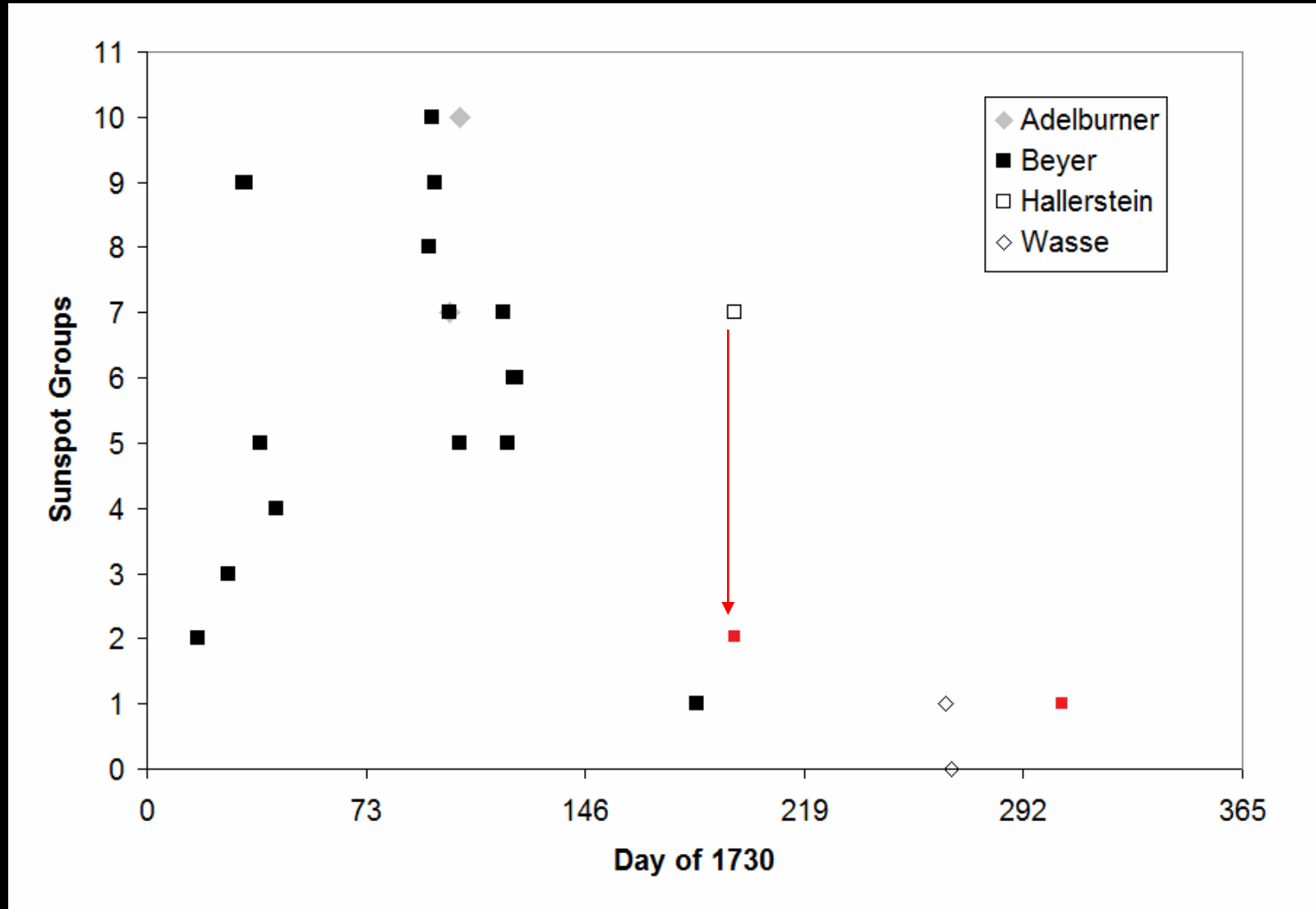
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46	1728	Barom.	Therm.	Vent.	Tempestas	Pluvia
Augoit.	alt.	alt.				Cub.Lin
D. H.	St. N.	Dig.Lin.	Gr.			
12	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	28	S. W. 3	albae nubes sparsae.		
8	11	25 $\frac{1}{4}$	W.N.W. 1	nubilofum		
13	6	36	S. W. 0	caliginofum.		
12		23	N. W. 1	serenum.		
8	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	21		id. nubes uersus occasum.		
14	6 28	0 39	N. W. 0	serenum.		
12		23 $\frac{3}{4}$		idem albae nubes passim.		
8		23	N. O. 1	idem.		
15	6 27	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	N. O. 2	caliginofum.		
		26 $\frac{1}{4}$		macula una ex iis quae apparuere		
				d. 12. iam magnitudine sic cre-		
				uit, ut $\frac{1}{2}$ diam. solis caperet.		
12	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{4}$	S. O. 1	serenum.		
8	10	16 $\frac{1}{2}$		idem		
16	6	9 37 $\frac{1}{4}$	N.W. 1	id.		
12	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	S. 1	id.		
8	7	16	S. 0	idem, atrae nubes uersus occa-		
17	6			fum.		
12		3 2	S. W. 2	nubilofum.		
8	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	24	S. W. 1	pluit.		
8	6	20	S. W. 3	iterum pluit		4. 10
18	6	47	S. W. 4	serenum.		
12	7	40 $\frac{1}{4}$	W. 3	nubilofum pluit h. 1. et 2.		4. 1
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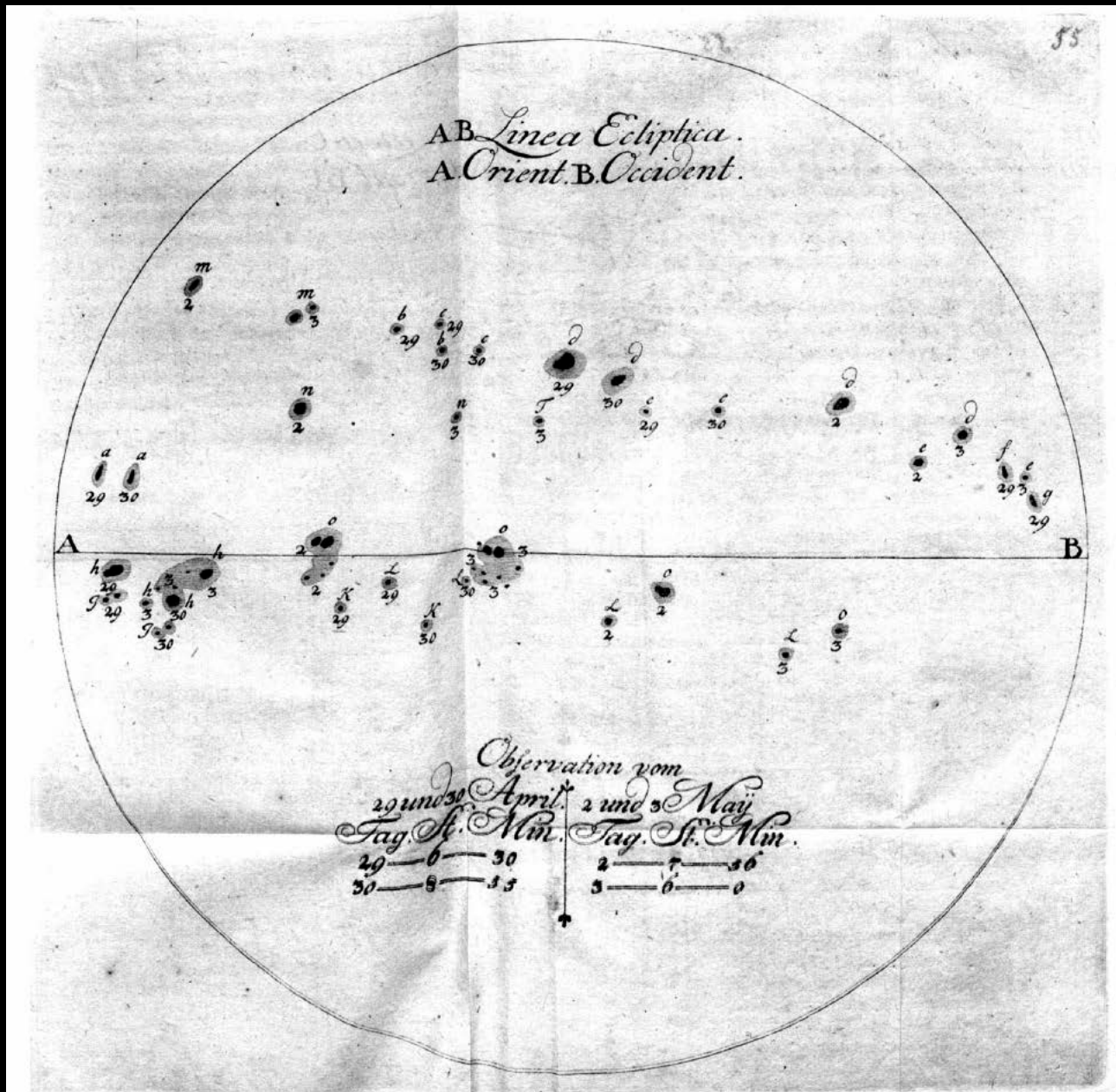
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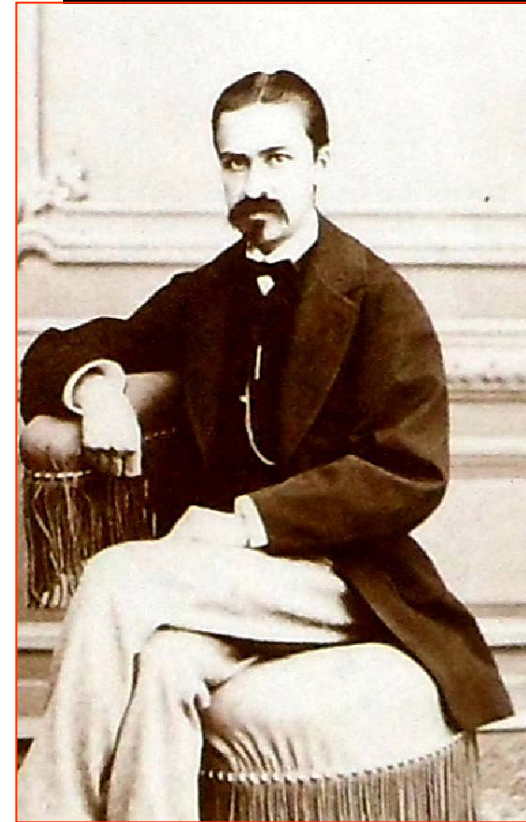
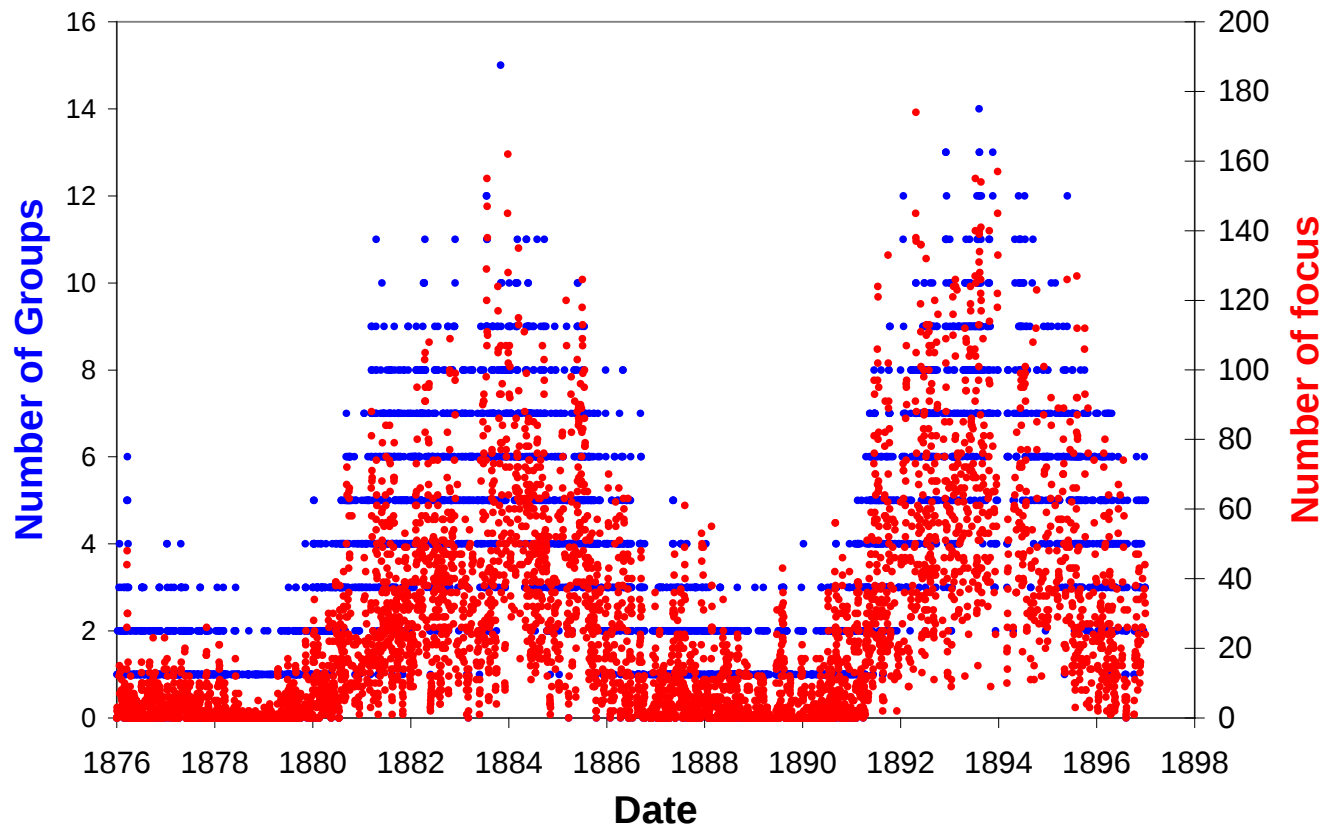
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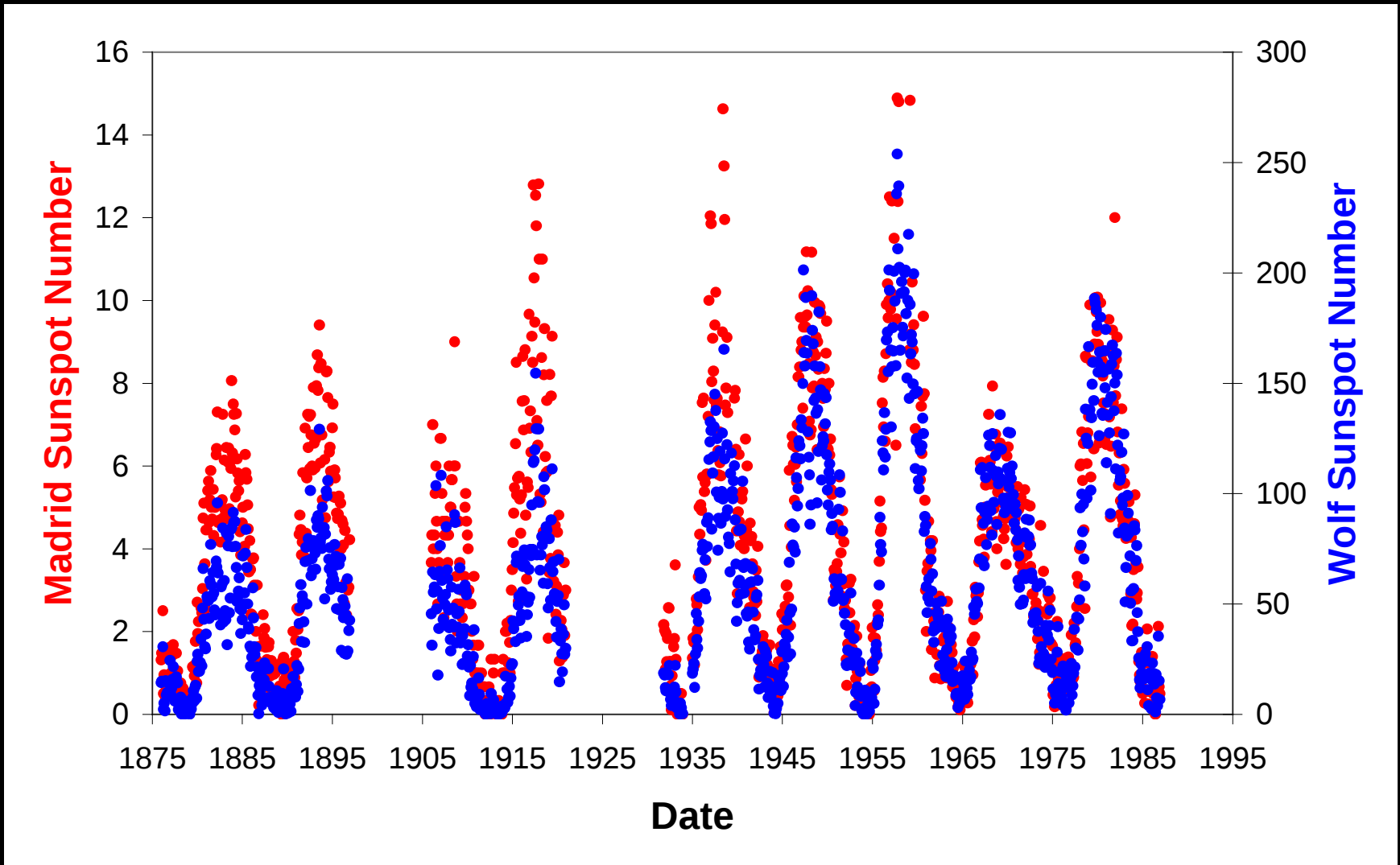
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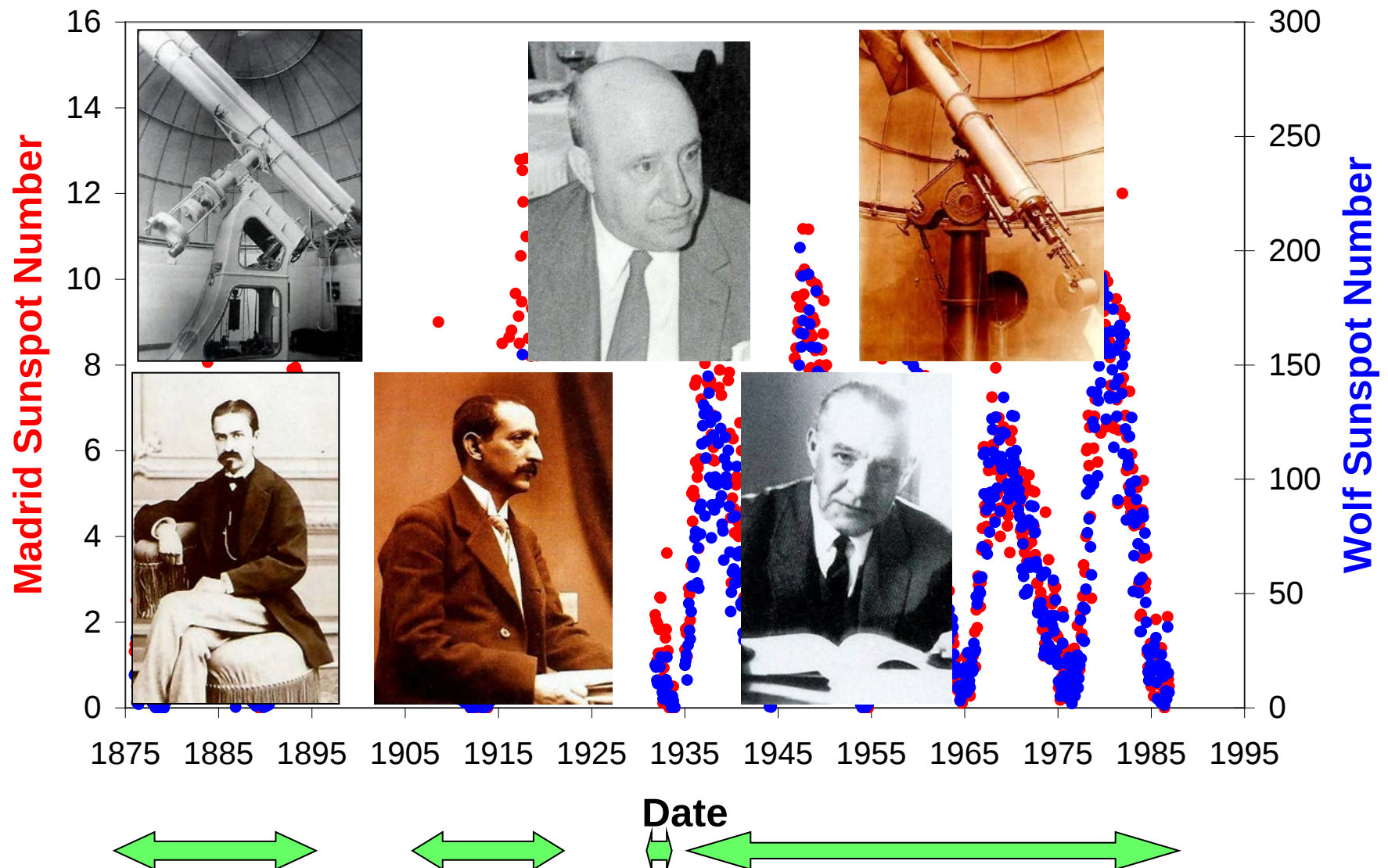


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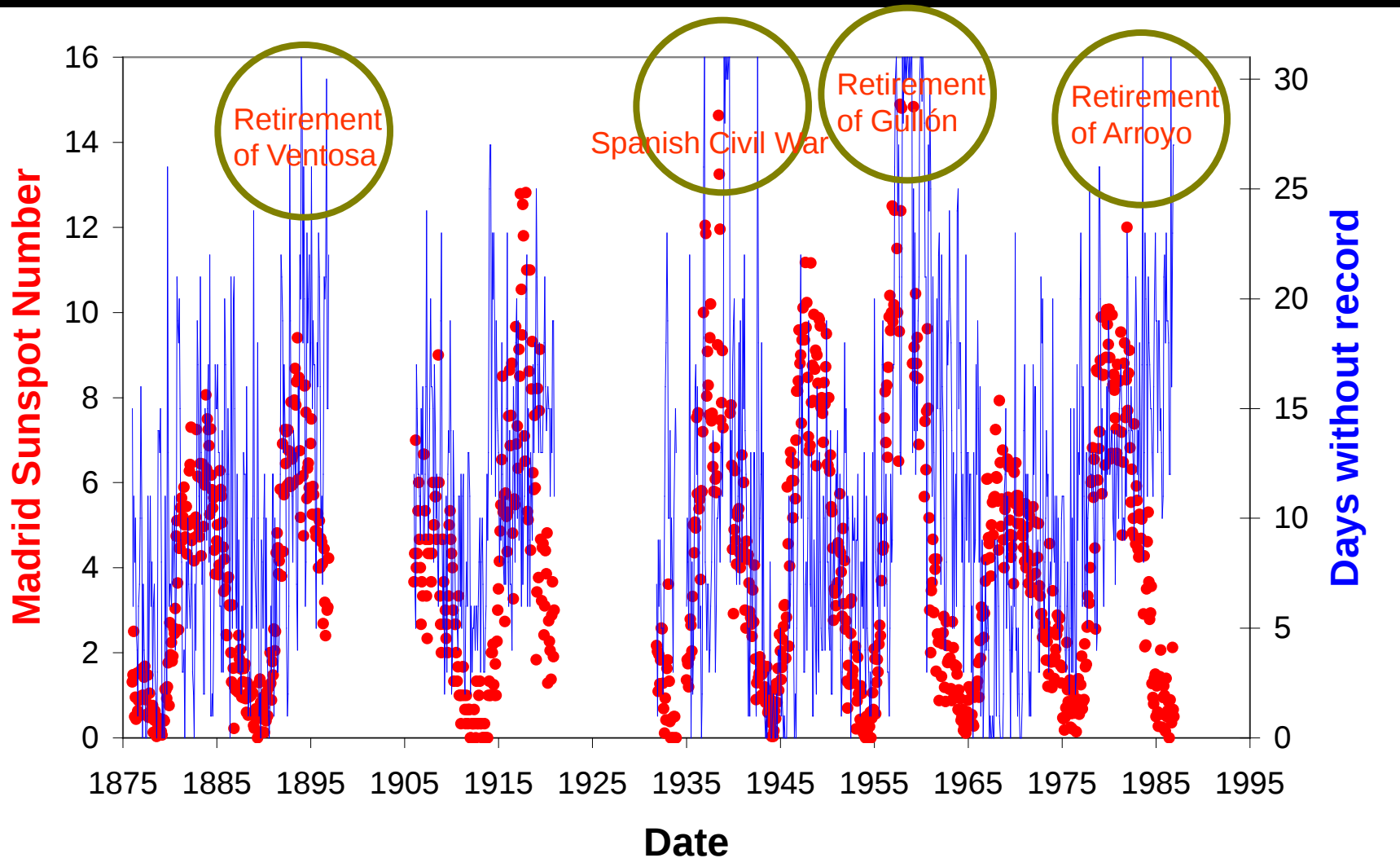
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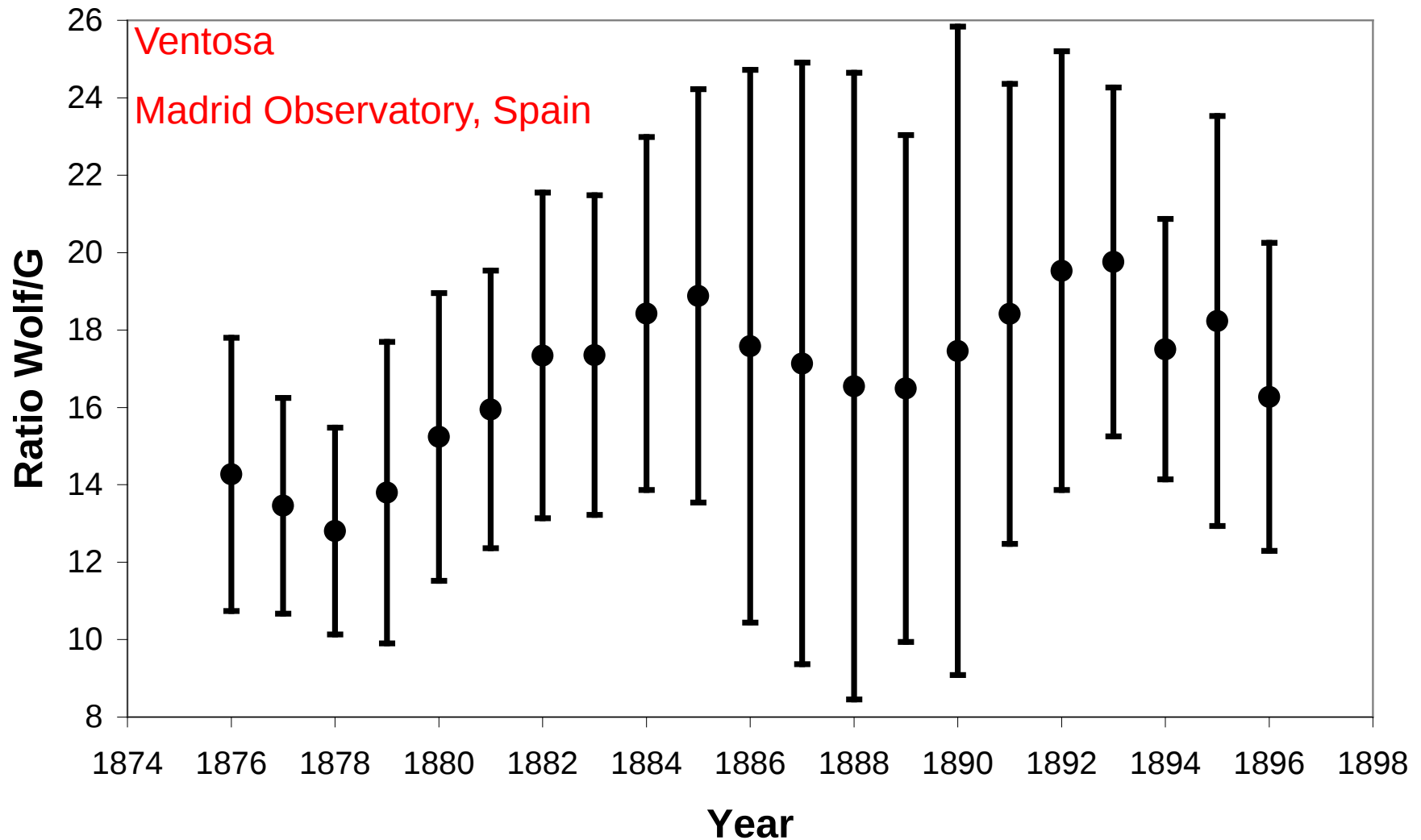
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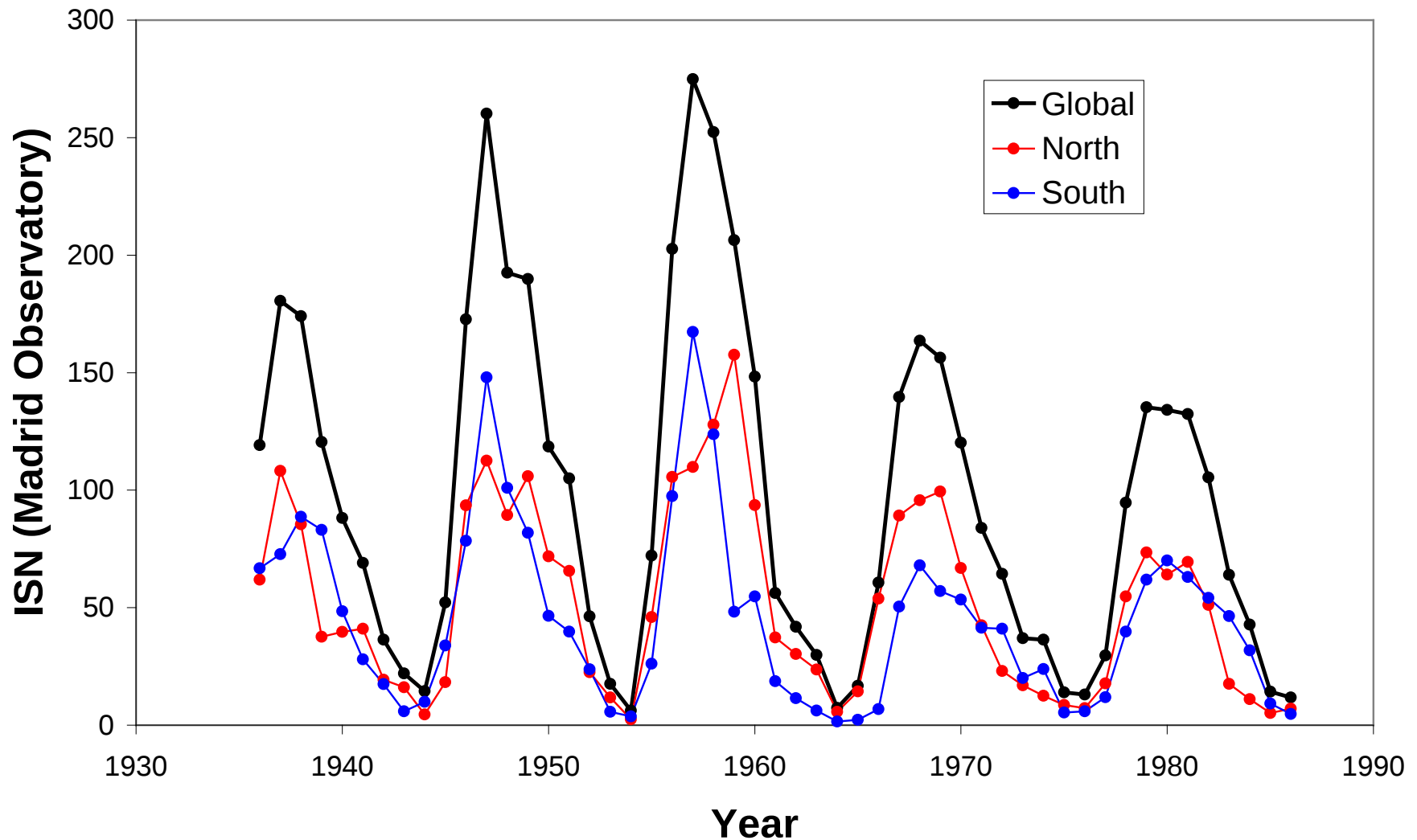
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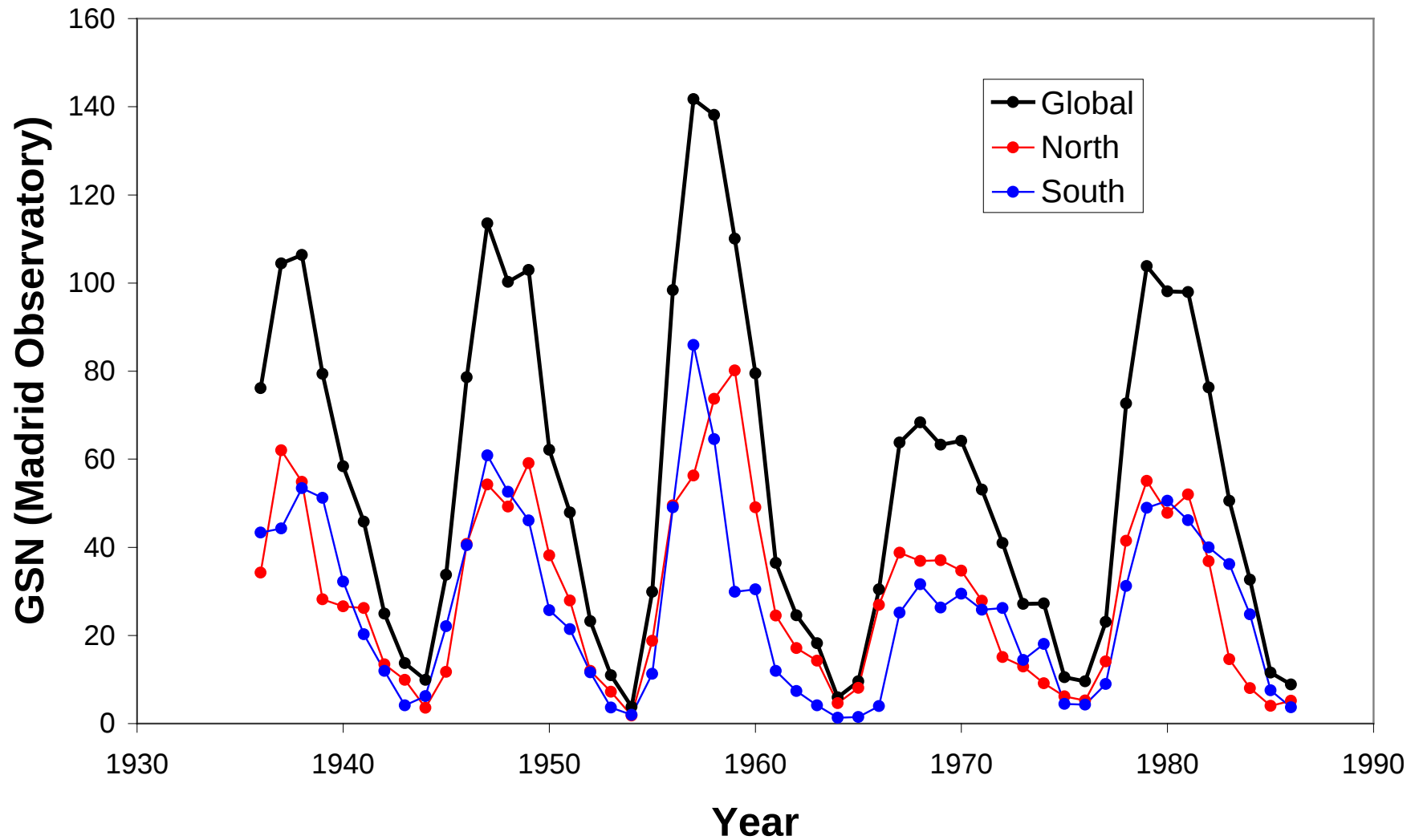
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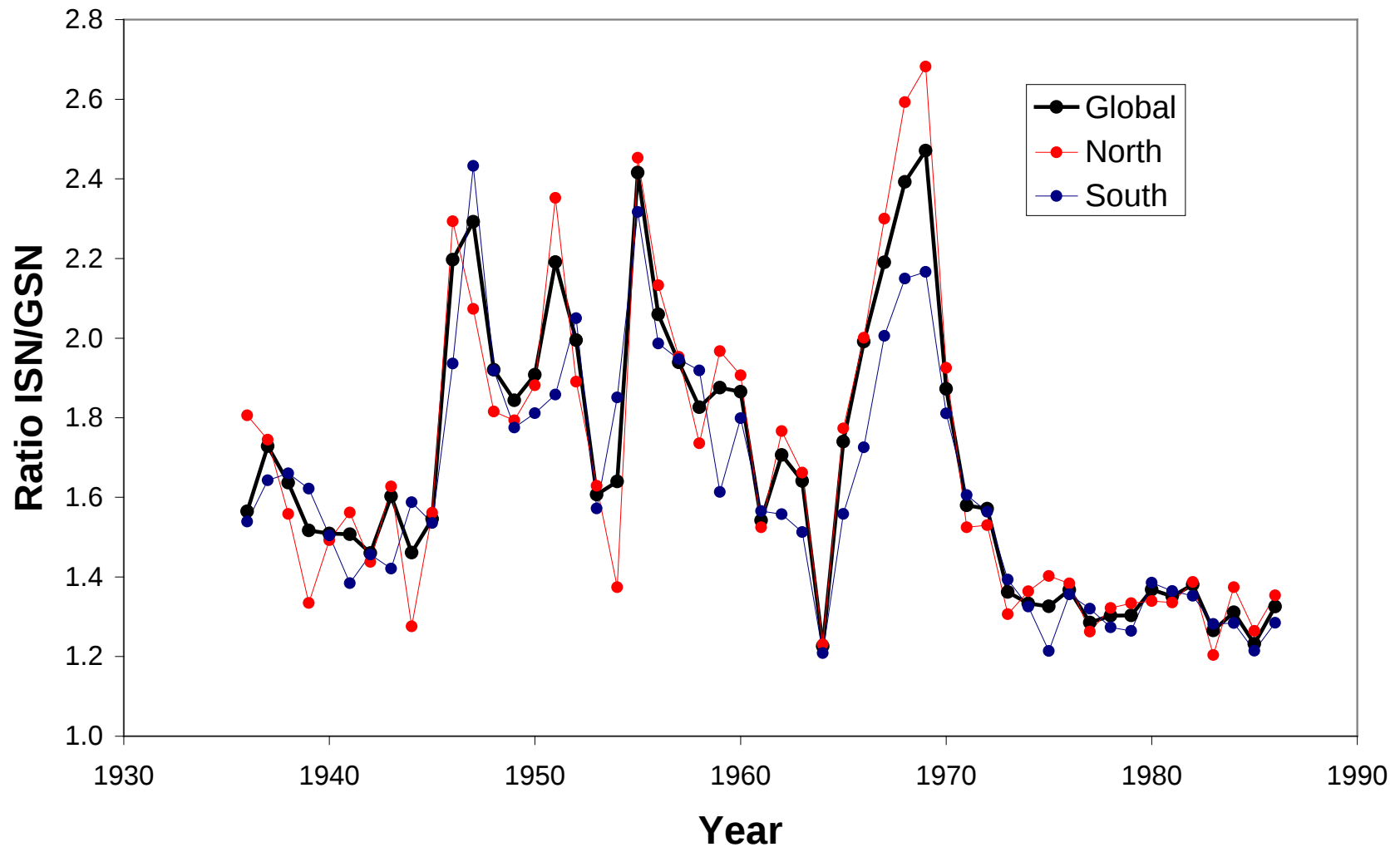
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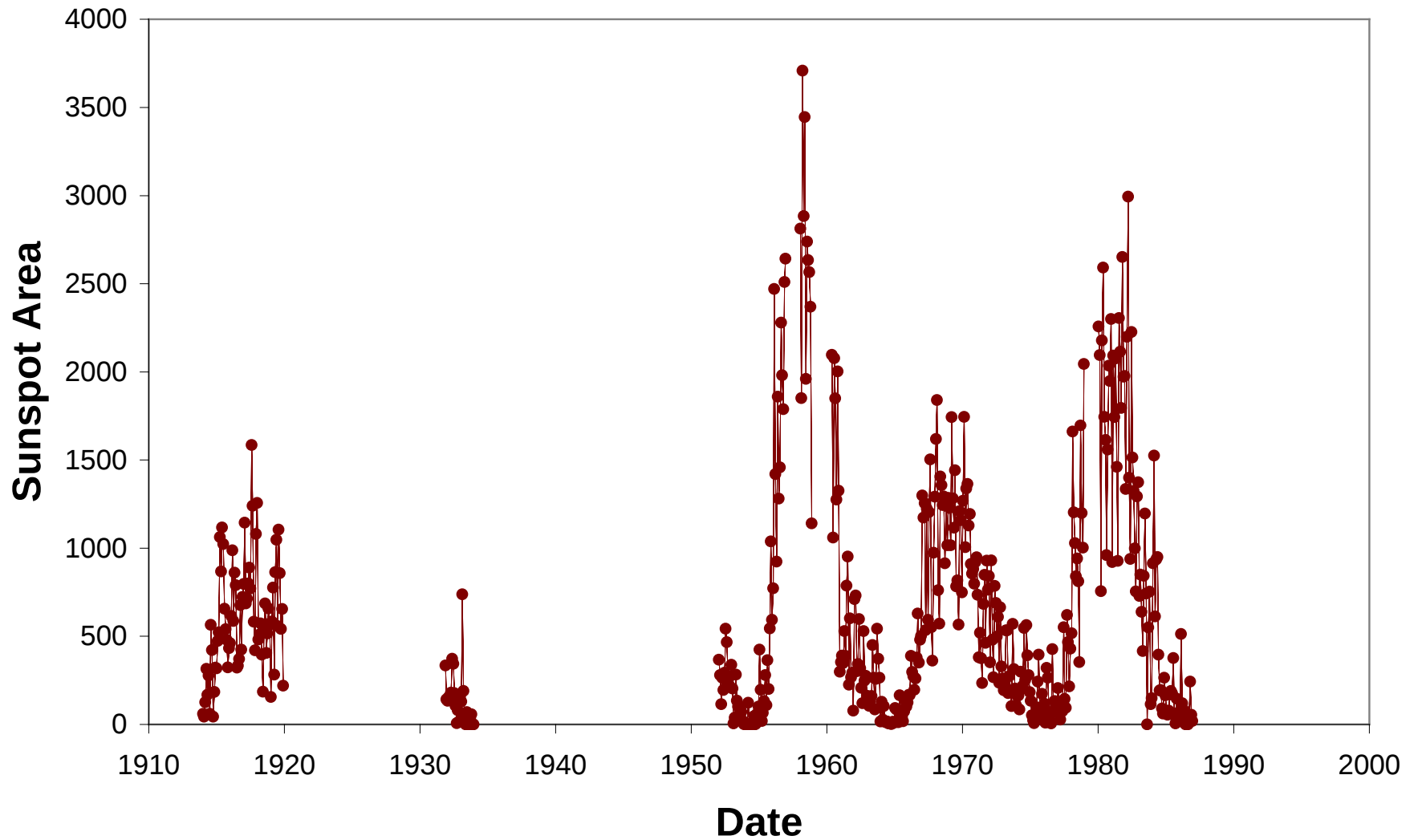
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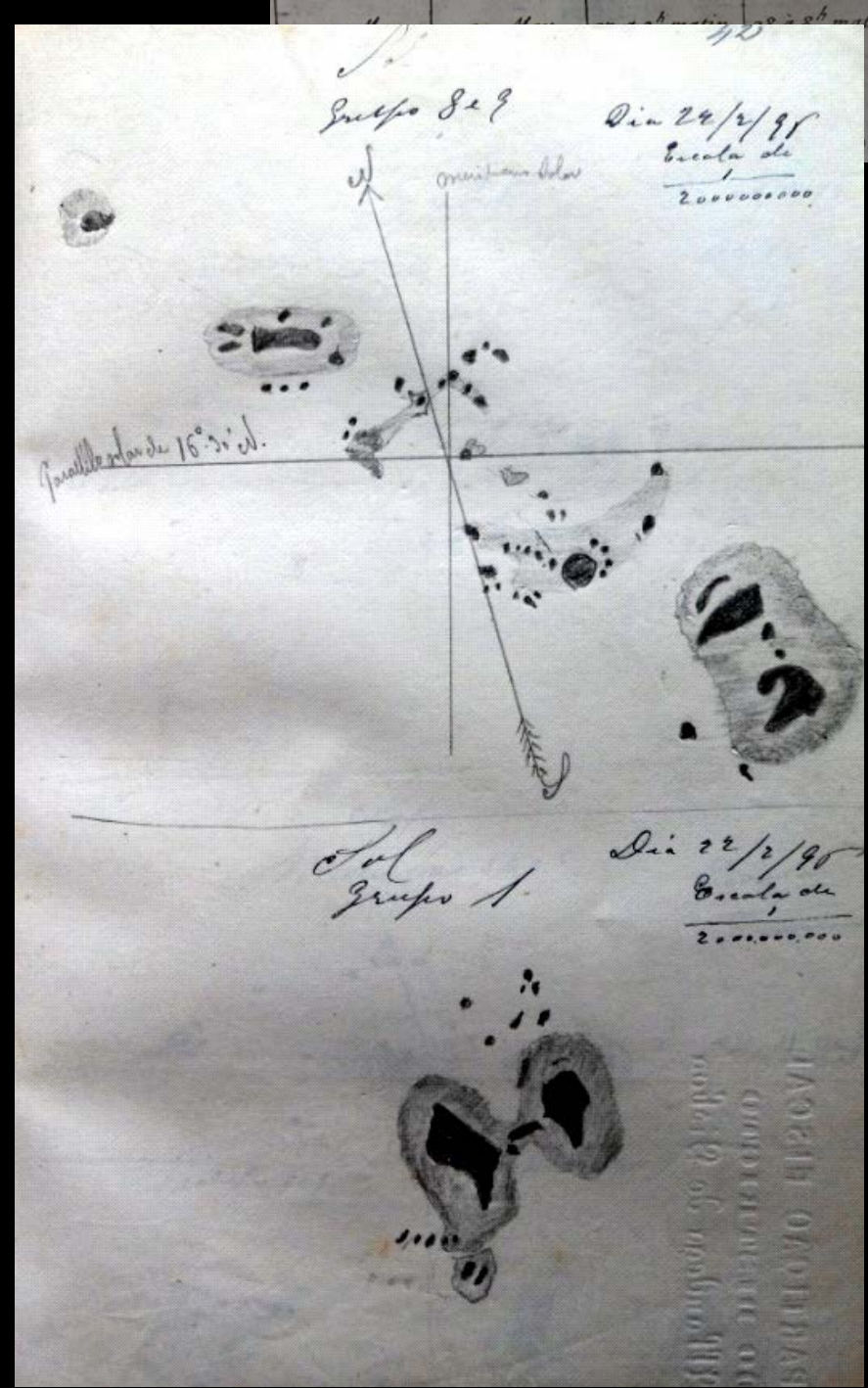
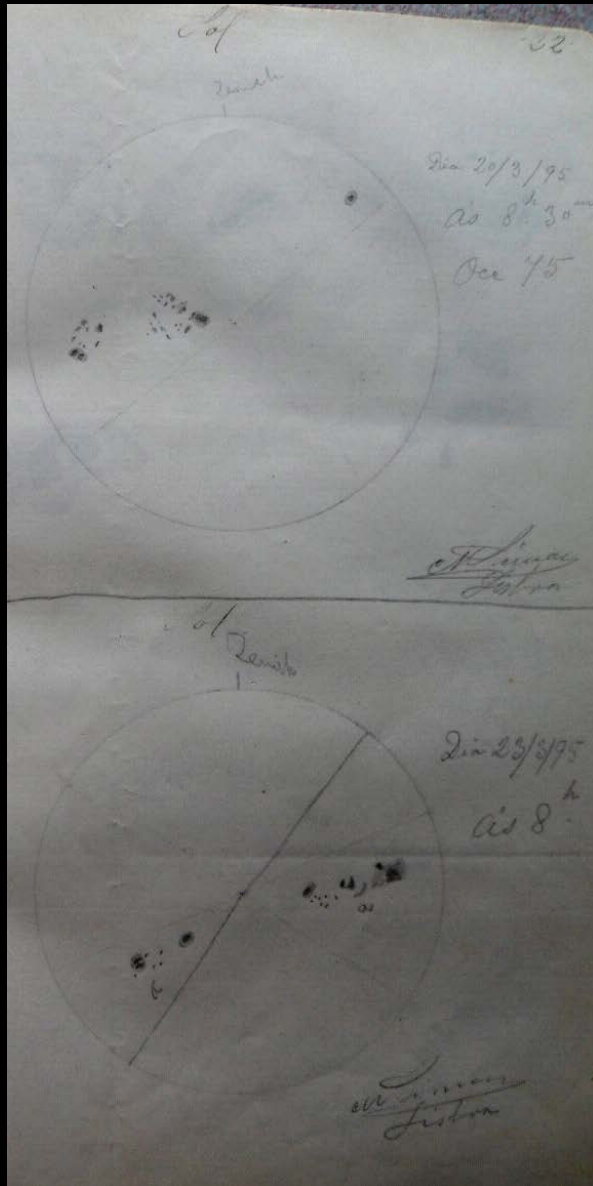


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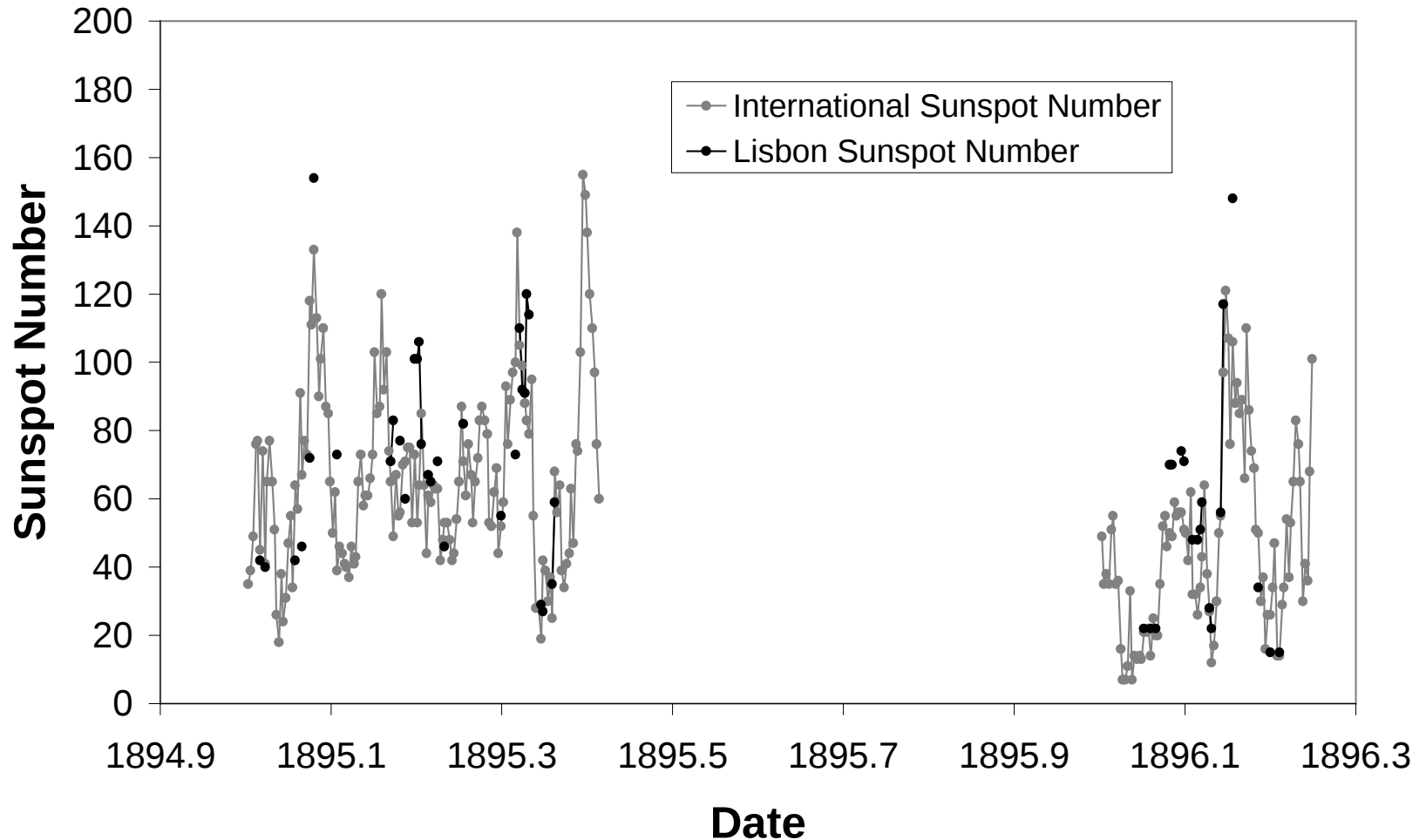
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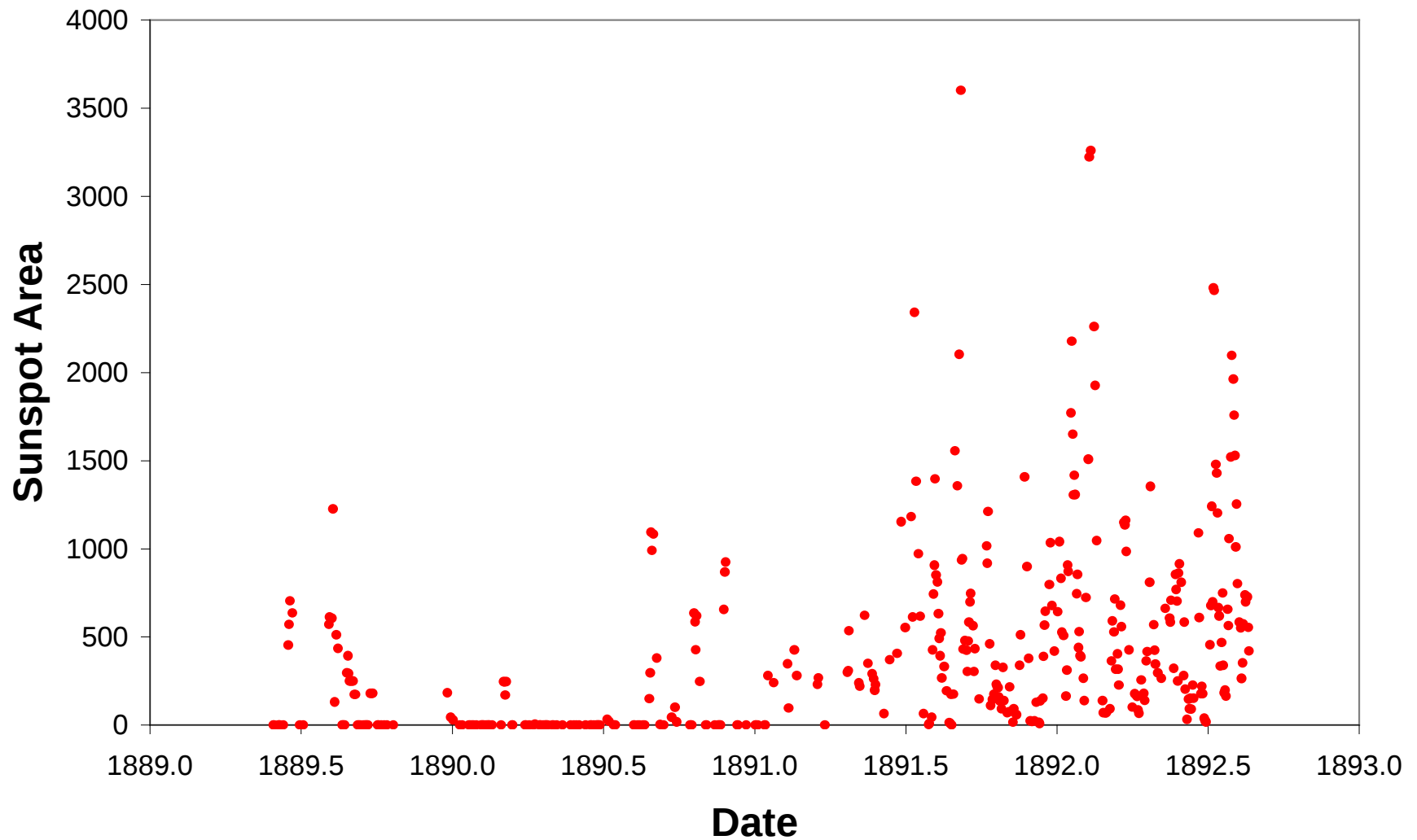
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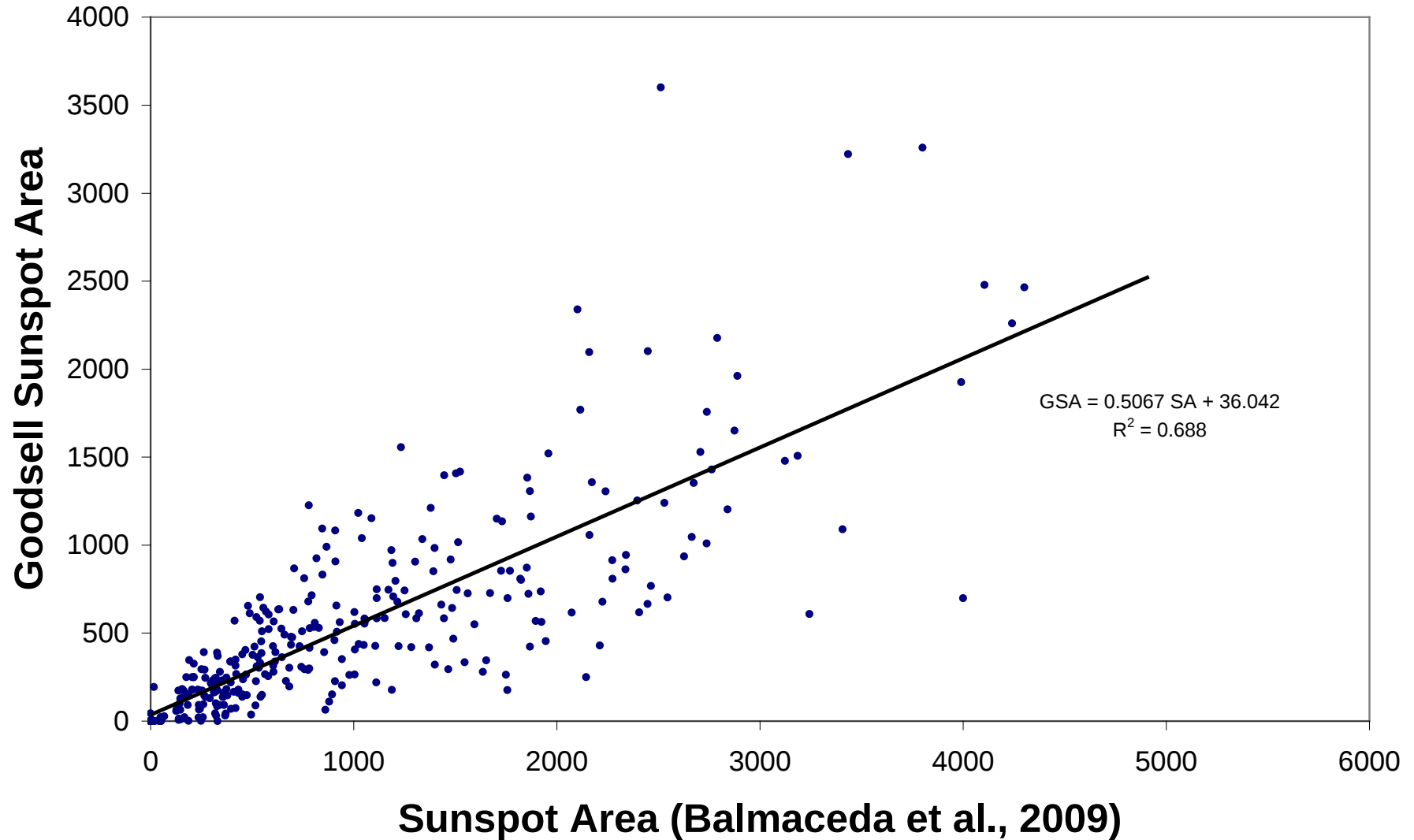
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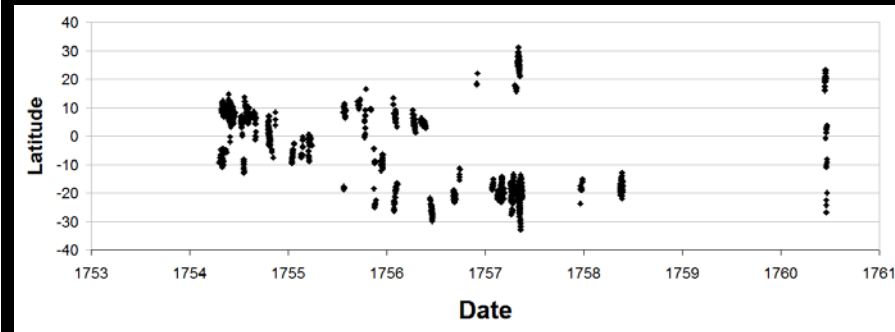


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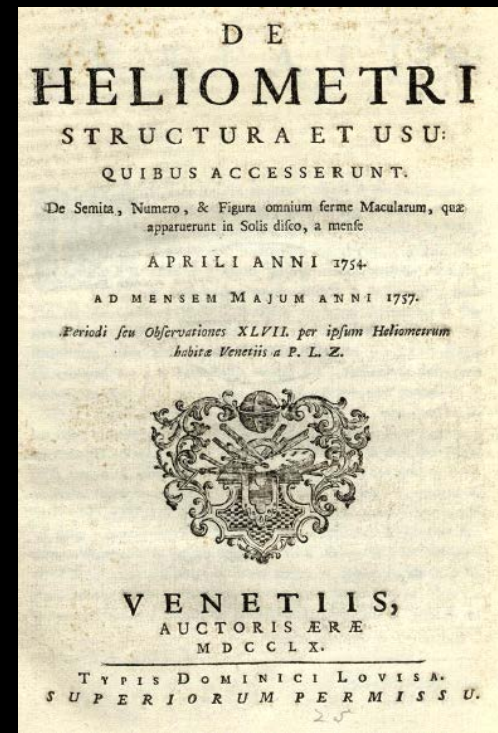
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Butterfly diagram based on the sunspot latitude estimations obtained from Zucconi drawings (April 1754 – June 1760).



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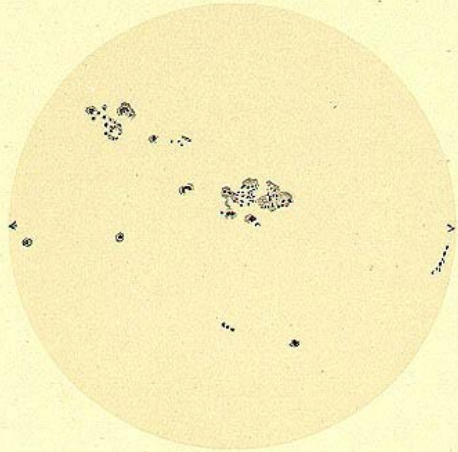
4.3. Sunspot positions: solar rotation 1847-1848



PLATE XIII.

1847.

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Table 1 Data of the sunspots used in this work. Column 1: day-month-year. Column 6: Numbers 1 and 2 indicate the top and bottom figures in each plate in Bond's (1871) publication. Column 7: The ordinal number of the spot by Bond. Parenthesized are the spot labels used in this work to identify the different sunspots. The asterisks to our spot No. 2 indicates that the sunspot was not clearly identified in the second and third days so that the two nearby spots were used instead.

Date	Hour	Julian day	Latitude (deg)	Longitude (deg)	Plate ID	Sunspot number
21-12-1847	9 h 22 min A.M.	2396017.088	+9.85	+16.94	XXXIX 1	2 (1)
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	+12.74	+47.55	XXXIX 2	1 (1)
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	+14.36	+59.31	XL 1	1 (1)
21-12-1847	9 h 22 min A.M.	2396017.088	+11.86	+10.50	XXXIX 1	4 (2)
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	+13.42	+37.86	XXXIX 2	2 (2)*
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	+14.28	+37.00	XXXIX 2	3 (2)*
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	+15.52	+50.29	XL 1	2 (2)*
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	+16.46	+49.51	XL 1	3 (2)*
21-12-1847	9 h 22 min A.M.	2396017.088	+23.07	-34.53	XXXIX 1	5 (3)
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	+23.19	-8.21	XXXIX 2	5 (3)
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	+25.27	+5.28	XL 1	5 (3)
21-12-1847	9 h 22 min A.M.	2396017.088	+8.35	-72.36	XXXIX 1	6 (4)
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	+8.58	-46.70	XXXIX 2	7 (4)
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	+10.26	-30.39	XL 1	8 (4)
27-12-1847	11 h 55 min A.M.	2396023.194	+4.62	+6.28	XL 2	5 (4)
30-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396026.156	+9.79	+42.03	XL 1	2 (4)
21-12-1847	9 h 22 min A.M.	2396017.088	-4.17	-70.97	XXXIX 1	7 (5)
23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	-3.78	-45.81	XXXIX 2	8 (5)
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30-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396026.156	-10.99	+42.30	XL 1	12 (7)
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23-12-1847	11 h 10 min A.M.	2396019.163	-19.87	-36.90	XXXIX 2	12 (8)
24-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396020.156	-19.79	-20.47	XL 1	15 (8)
27-12-1847	11 h 55 min A.M.	2396023.194	-23.77	+11.13	XL 2	10 (8)
30-12-1847	11 h 0 min A.M.	2396026.156	-19.21	+48.91	XL 1	11 (8)
10-1-1848	0 h 45 min P.M.	2396037.229	15.37	+37.24	XLII 1	2 (9)
11-1-1848	11 h 30 min A.M.	2396038.177	18.65	+46.06	XLII 2	1 (9)
12-1-1848	11 h 25 min A.M.	2396039.174	14.54	+61.15	XLIII 1	1 (9)
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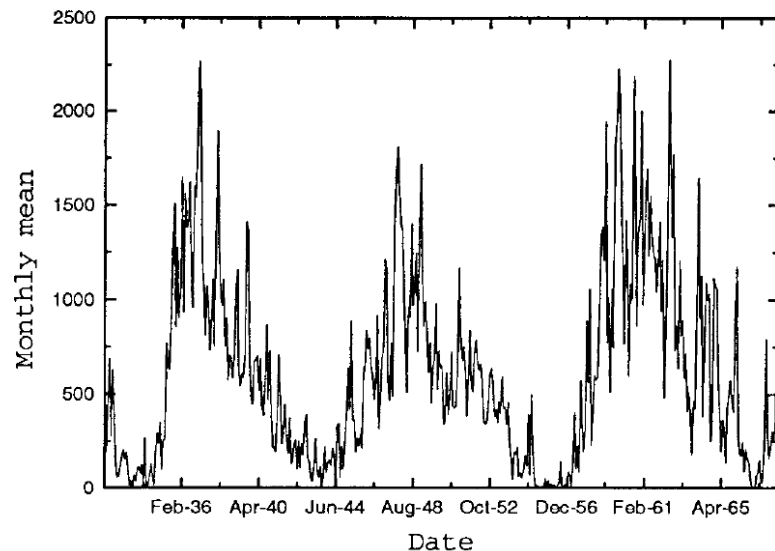
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PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS.

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1832-1853: Schwabe

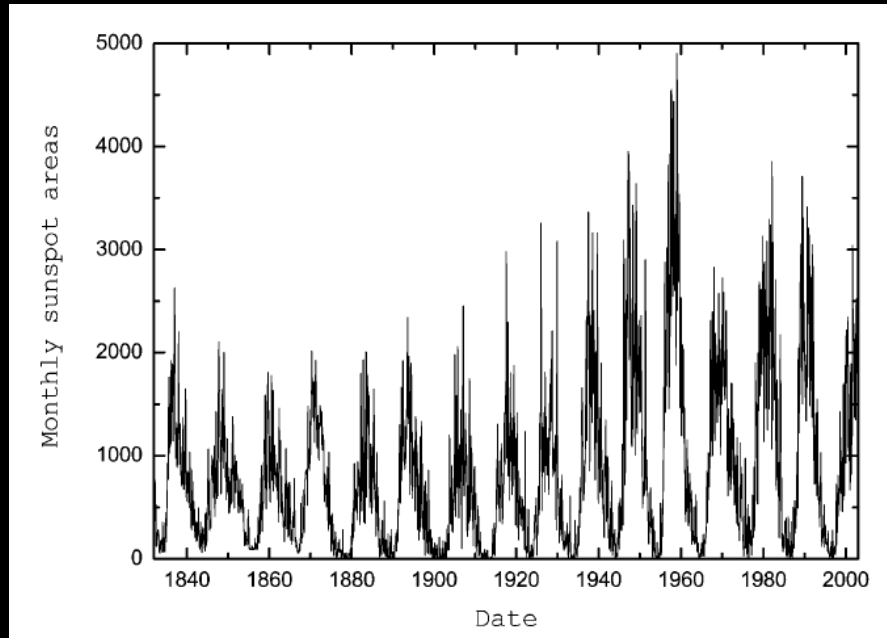
1854-1860: Carrington

1861-1868: Kew Observatory

Vaquero et al. (2002) *Solar Phys.* **209**, 311.

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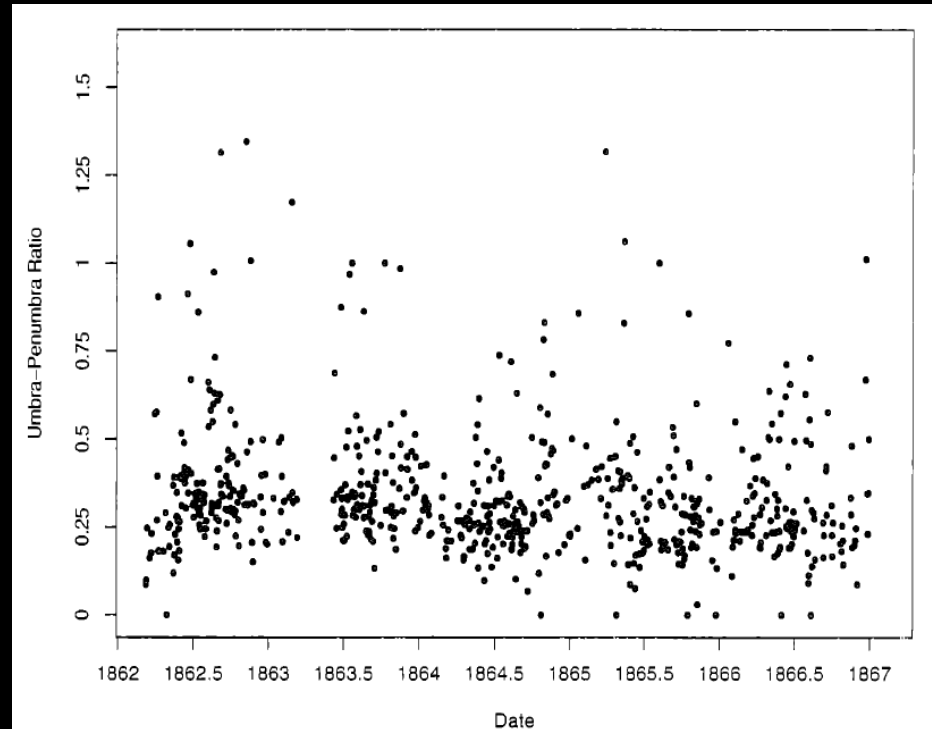


FIG. 3

Time evolution of the umbra-penumbra area ratio of sunspots.

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A brief history of solar observations made at Coimbra can be consulted in Mouradian & Garcia (2007). Full-disk spectroheliograms in the Ca II K line (K1 and K3) have been routinely taken in Coimbra since 1926. Solar data were published from 1929 to 1943 in its "Annais do Observatório Astronómico da Universidade de Coimbra. Fenómenos Solares". In 2002, Coimbra Observatory started the digitalization of its collection of more than 30 000 solar images (Dorotovič et al. 2007). Also, there are a long series of magnetic record since 1885 (Pais 1995).

Observatorio Astronómico de Madrid (now Observatorio Astronómico Nacional) developed a complete program of solar observation (sunspot statistics, white-light and spectroheliographic photography, "solar constant" measurements, etc.) during the first third of 20th century (Ruiz Castell 2008).

Barcelona. There are historical sunspot drawings and photographs from Comas-Solá (Fabra observatory) and several Catalanian amateur astronomers.

The "Instituto geofísico Infante D. Luiz" was the main geophysical observatory in Portugal. Geomagnetic records were taken during the second half of 19th century. However, the magnetograms were lost in fire and only some tabulated data are available. In this observatory was developed a program of solar photography during the years 1870-1880 but, again, only few photographs have survived (see Bonifacio 2007).

The Astronomical Observatory of Lisbon did not make a program of solar observations. However, some drawings, photographs, and eclipse observations can be consulted in the historical archive.

Observatorio astronómico de San Fernando (military observatory). There are solar diameter measurements and scarce sunspot drawings in the archive. The history of this observatory has been well studied (Lafuente & Sellés, 1988; González González, 1992, 2004).

Toledo Geomagnetic station: a brief account of the first years of this observatory appear in Sancho de San Román (1951).

Ebro observatory was founded by Jesuits developing the most ambitious Spanish program for solar-terrestrial studies including solar and geomagnetic observations and ionosphere studies. H. W. Newton (1958) stated when reviewed the Greenwich sunspot records that: "This brief account of the long photographic records of sunspot available at the Royal Greenwich Observatory would be incomplete without a reference to two or three other sites that have been running for a number of years in the United States and Spain respectively. [...] The third series for mention is that produced by the Ebro Observatory, Tortosa, in Spain. This series has been running since the early years of the century. The instrument and methods used for measuring the position and areas of spots resemble those at Greenwich, which may fairly be regarded as the standard for the positions and areas of sunspots" (Newton, 1958, pp. 68-69).

Astronomical Observatory of the Valencia University. There are sunspot drawings and photographs and data about sunspot area and positions (only 1920s).

Observatorio Astronómico y Geofísico de la Cartuja. It was founded also by Jesuits. Solar-terrestrial studies including solar and geomagnetic observations (Ruiz Castell 2008).



5. Calibration constants and Wolf-Wolfer transition around 1880

5.1. The curious case of Madrid Observatory

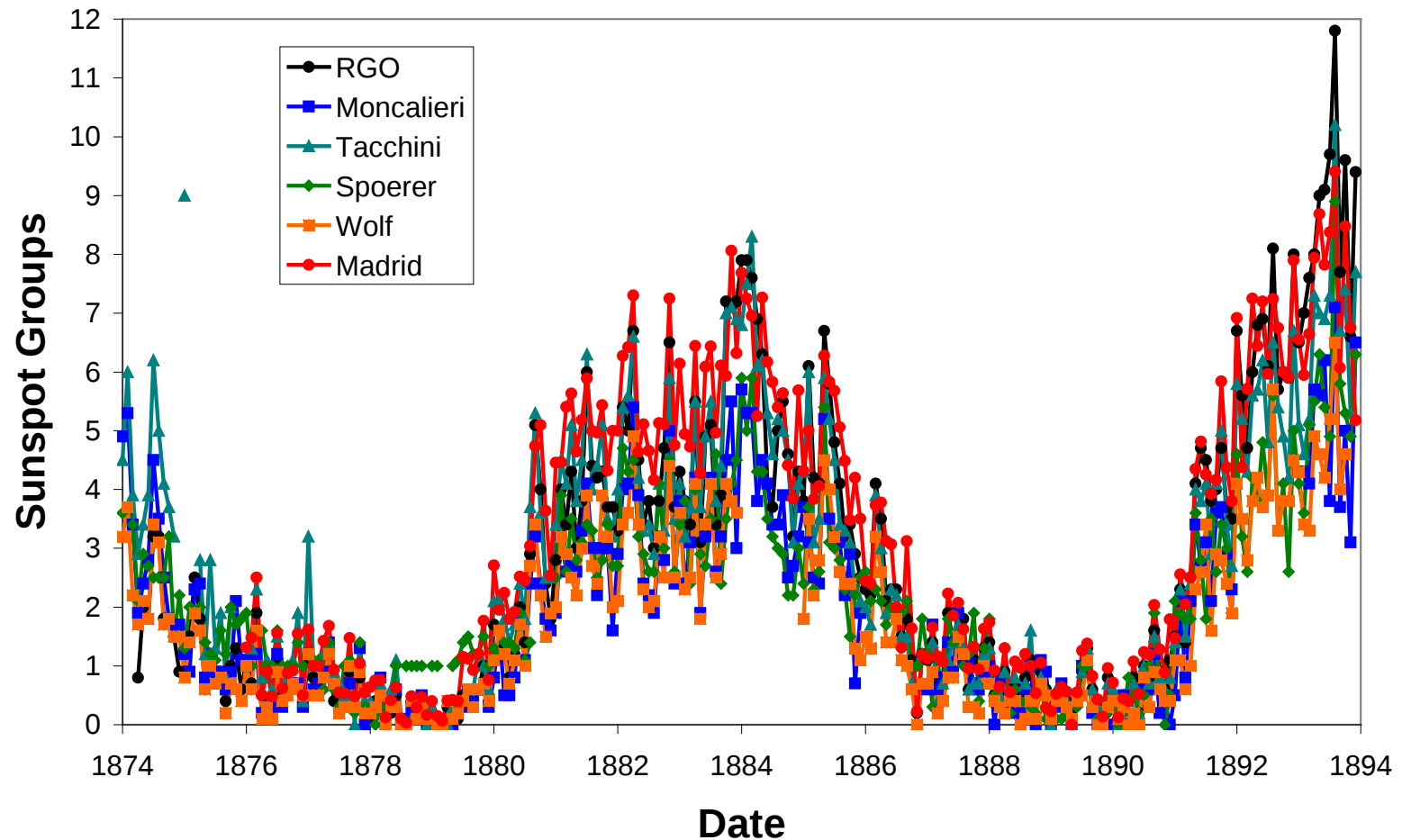
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But one only observer...!

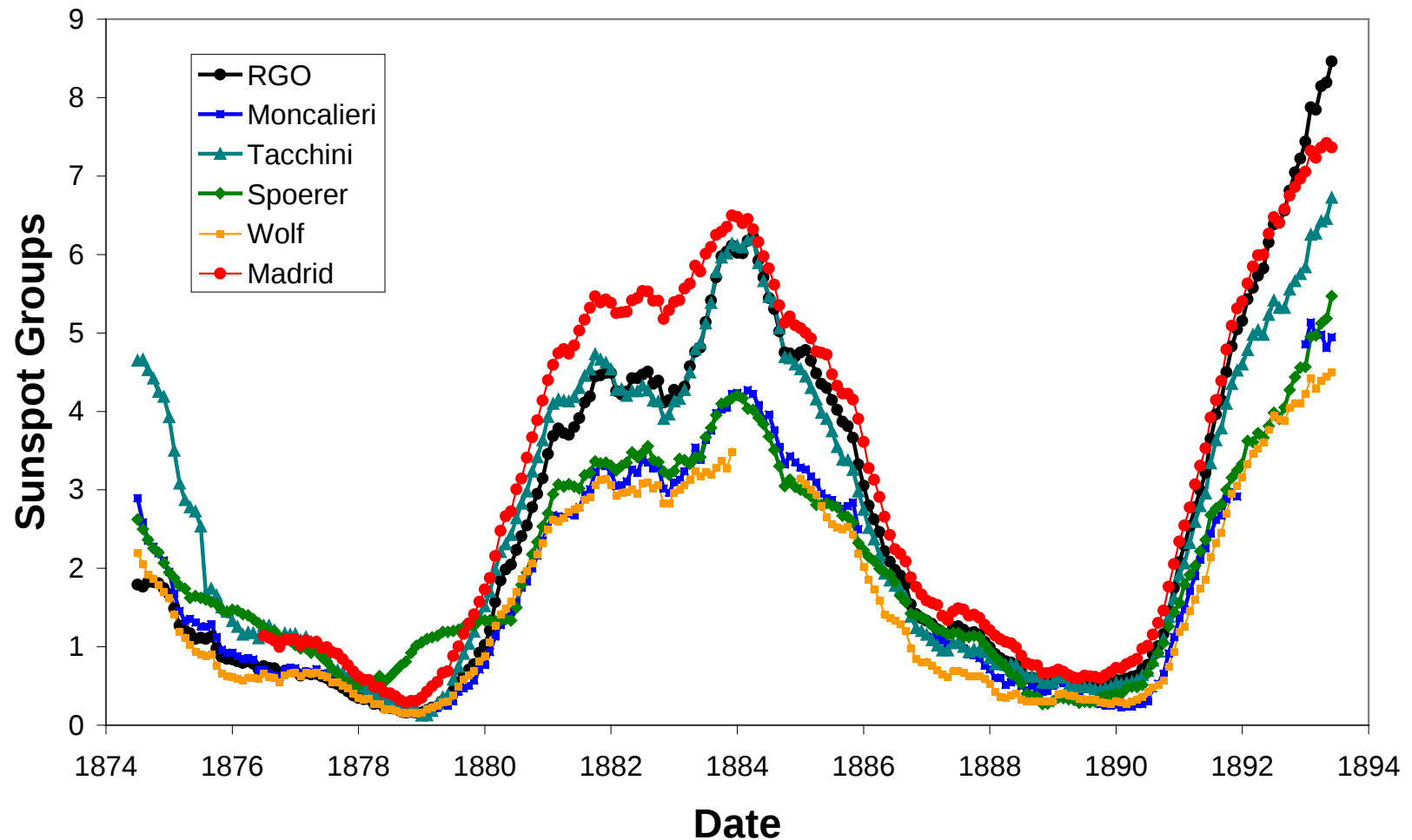
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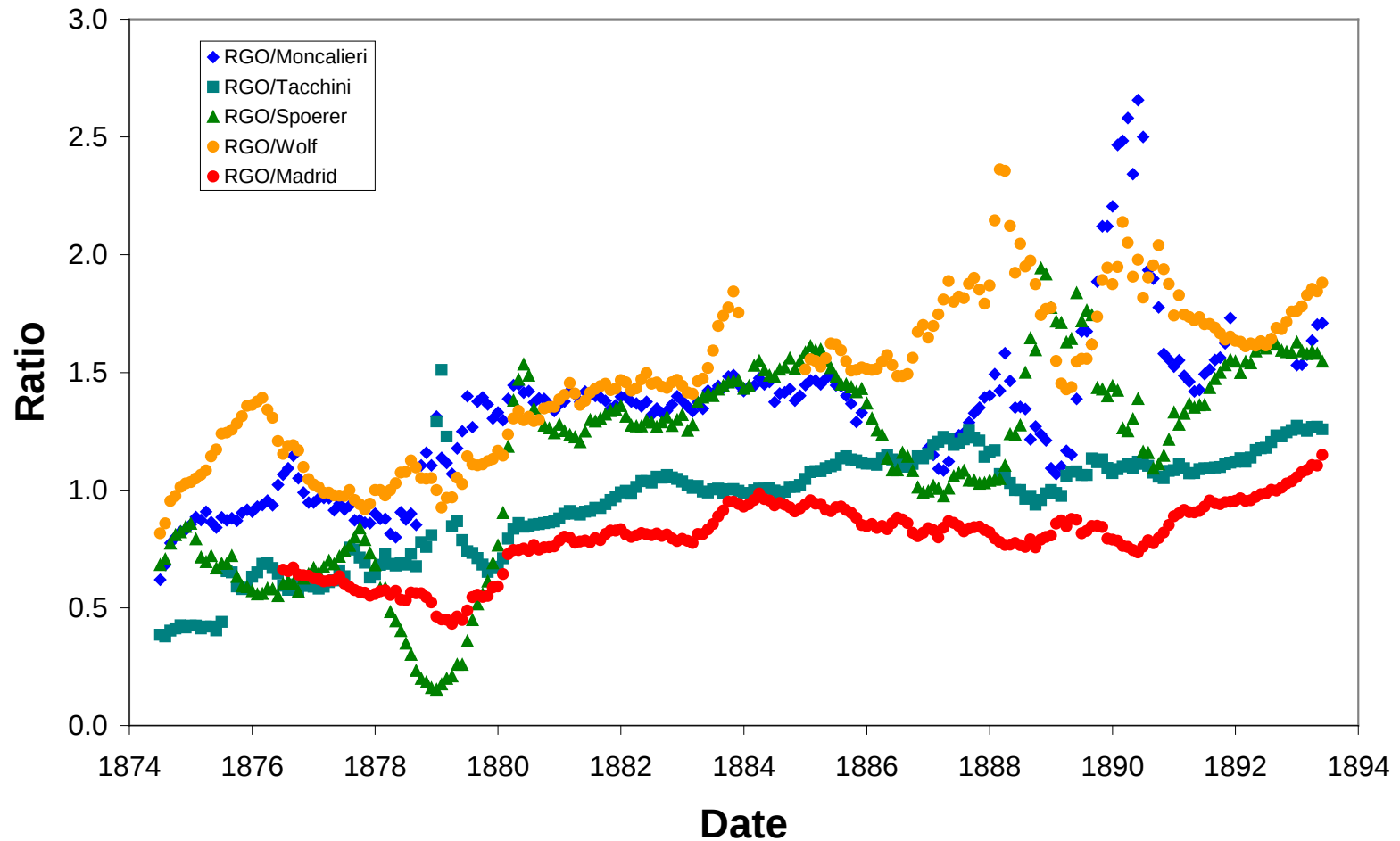
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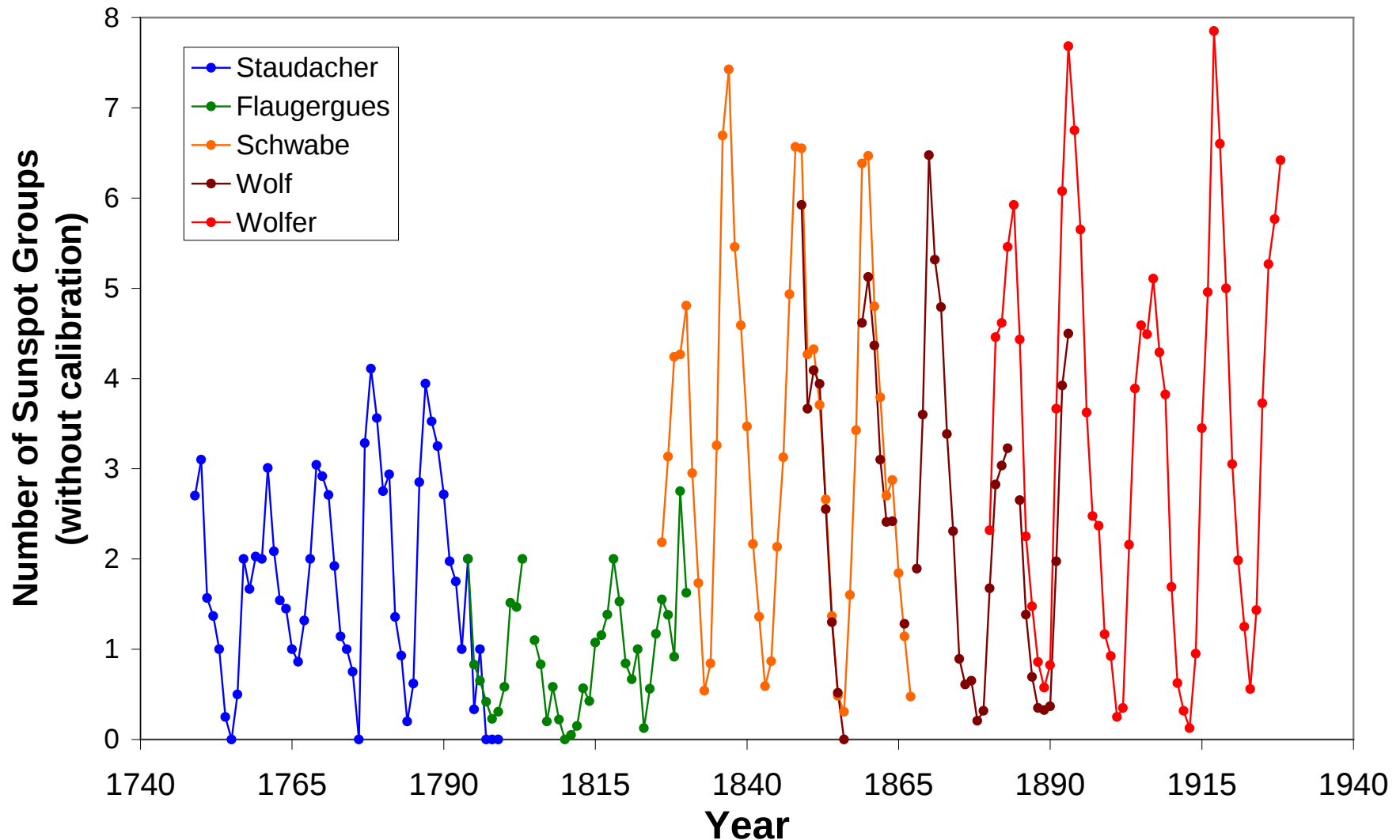
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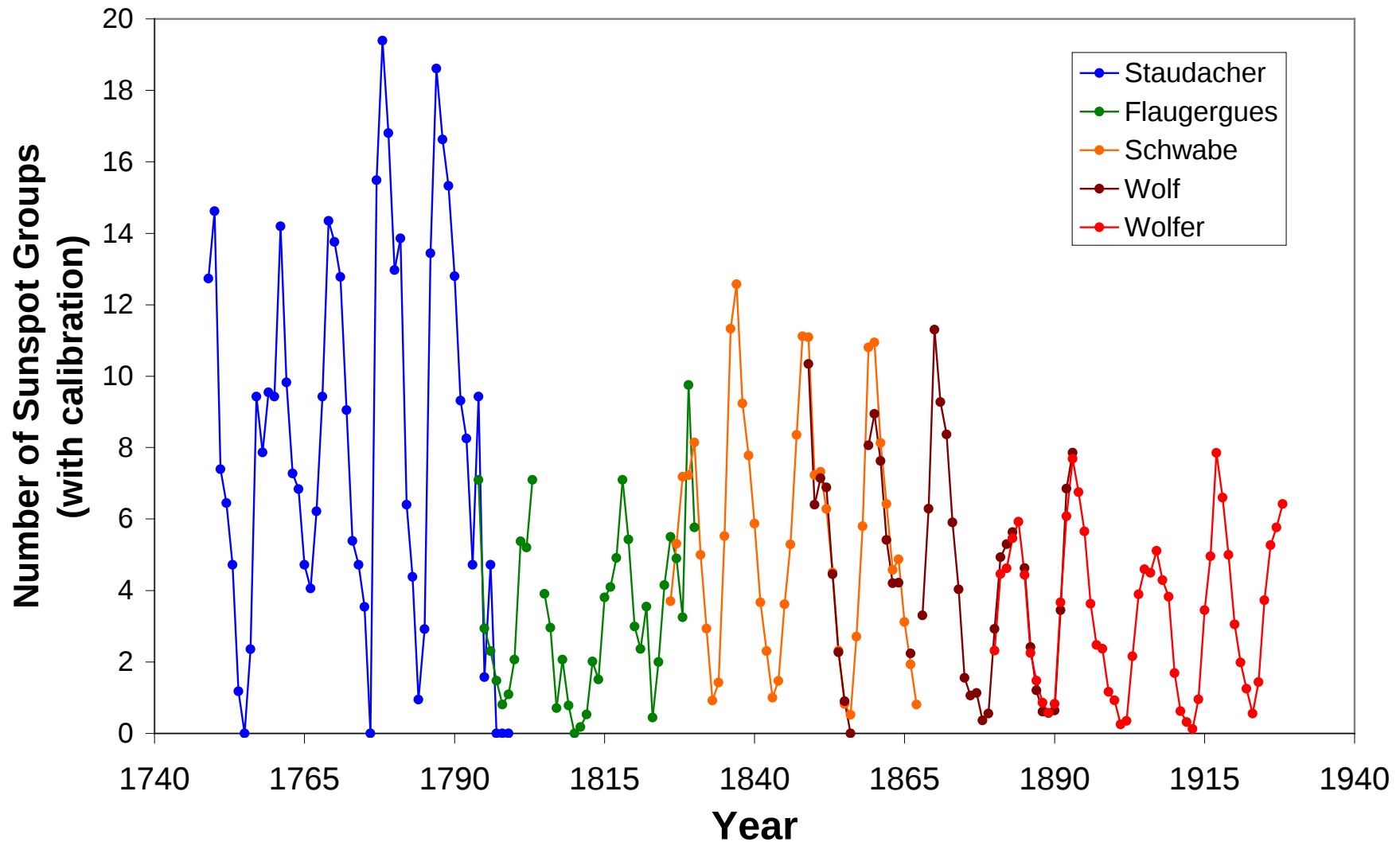
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6. Conclusions

6.1. We need more work to check and recover historical data.

6.2. We need a library or archive that preserve all historical information.

6.3. Reconciling ISN and GSN? We need a new reconstruction (more data and new methodology).