## Periodicity of Bioluminescence

## Period nearly invisible in fourier spectrum





Fourier transtorm


## Periodogram

- Used to find the periodicity at Italian site
- For non sinusoidal signals
- should still work with gaps in data


## How does it work

- Works in hour increments
- Matrix expected period wide
- average the columns and take the variance between these averages
- For just noise/ incorrect period the column averages are approximately the same
- Low variance
- For signal of expected period the averages start to differ a lot
- High variance
- Compare variance to $\mathrm{X}^{2}$ distribution with period- 1 degrees of freedom


## Sine wave of 17 h and random noise

periodogram


## Signal



