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Data quality control on ASTI automated weather station (AWS) measurements

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INTRODUCTION & MOTIVATION



- meteorological observations are vital for scientific research, weather monitoring and weatherrelated decision making
- growing demand for these data requires that quality control be performed to ensure reliability and integrity of information

Ultimate goal:

- to provide guidance to the endusers
- aid operations in identifying and potentially predicting problems that may require immediate attention.

STAGE 1 QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURE

Timestamp check – verify that record timestamp does not deviate far from expected timestamp

Range check - verify if the values are within the acceptable range limits

- Step check verify the rate of change (detect unrealistic jumps in values)
- **Persistence check** check on a minimum required variability of instantaneous values
- Internal consistency check check consistency of data based on the relation between two different measurements

	RMSE	RMSE	RMSE
	(before QC)	(after QC)	Difference
Temperature (degrees C)	1.77	1.01	0.76
Rainfall (mm/day)	14.36	12.04	2.32