

Outlier Detection for SGPMET Data



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- Multiple instruments across multiple facilities at SGP collect co-located observations for a number of meteorological variables.
- Meteorological variables are expected to show auto- and crosscorrelations, strength and patterns of which may exhibit inter and intraannual variability within and across facilities.
- Analysis of historical data can help mine known and expected multivariate patterns, deviations from which can be used to determine an "outlier".
- An "outlier" may result due to either an extreme weather event, or an instrument issue both of which are of interest to us.





- First, we want to see how well each pair of variables are related. Pearson Correlation are used to measure it.
- Five variables are selected.





Correlations Between Variables









Drawback of Pearson Correlation



E11 1993-2017 ----- atmos_pressure temp_mean mean apor_pressure_mean vspd_arith_mean tbrg_precip_total_corr 40 -20 -40 Oct 2015 Jan 2016 Apr 2016 Jul 2016 Oct 2016 Jan 2017 Apr 2017 Jul 2017 Oct 2017 Jan 2018









E33 2012-2017 temp-mean



Singular Spectrum Analysis (SSA)



Outlier 1 May 2013 Outlier 2 Dec 2013

DQRID : D130528.2

Start Date Star	t Time End Date End Time Data Quality Metric
05/21/2013 1	704 05/24/2013 2045 Incorrect
Subject:	SGP/MET/E33 - Incorrect temp and wind data
DataStreams:	sgpmetE33.b1
Description:	Cattle chewed temperature and wind sensor instrument cables causing incorrect readings during this time period.
Suggestions:	
Measurements:	sgpmetE33.b1: • wdir_vec_std • wspd_vec_mean • wsod arith mean more

DQRID : D131205.1		
Start Date Star	t Time End Date End Time Data Quality Metric	
12/02/2013 1	000 12/04/2013 1715 Incorrect	
Subject:	SGP/MET/E33 - Temp/RH sensor failure	
DataStreams:	sgpmetE33.b1	
Description:	Temp/RH sensor failed, causing problems with wind and logger data until 12/3/13 at 21:36 (sensor was disconnected until a replacement was installed).	
Suggestions:		
Measurements:	sgpmetE33.b1: • wdir_vec_std • wspd_vec_mean • wsod arith mean more	

https://github.com/YupingLu/arm-pearson https://github.com/YupingLu/arm-ssa

