Data Acquisition tasks

Temperature measurement

- o Function to read resistance averaged over NTH measurements, with uncertainty estimate
- o Function to calculate temperature and uncertainty from resistance

RH measurement

- o Function to read RH and temperature from Si7021
- o Function to calculate dew point and estimated uncertainty

Pressure measurement

- o Function to read pressure and temperature from BMP180
- o Function to calculate equivalent sea-level pressure

Clock

- Function to read clock as numerical values
- Function to format time as a string
- o Function to check clock

SD card

- o Function to write to file and validate that the correct amount of data was written
- Function to check that the SD card is present and working correctly

Statistical function

- o Function to keep a record of first four moments of temperature, RH, and pressure
- o Function to reset the statistical storage variables
- o Functions to calculate and return the mean, standard deviation, skew, and kurtosis

Formatting output

- Use variables returned by other functions to assemble a single line to be added to the data file
- o Check that the variables make sense and substitute an error flag for bad values

Timing/dispatch and error checking

- Timing and decision making to call other functions
- Blink LED with error status

Setup/initialization

- o Initialize sensor and variables
- Check for serial input enabled or disabled
- Watchdog timer routine

Calibration

Function to check for calibration file, load calibration, and validate the calibration constants

• Temperature measurement

- Function to read resistance averaged over NTH measurements, with uncertainty estimate int readMeanResistance(float & Rth, float & Rth_unc)
 - Read the resistance NTH times from pin THERMISTOR_PIN
 - Return the mean resistance as Rth
 - Return the uncertainty as Rth_unc
 - Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise
- $\circ\hspace{0.1in}$ Function to calculate temperature and uncertainty from resistance

int calcTmp(float Rth, float & tmp, float & tmp_unc)

- Calculate the temperature of the thermistor using Rth and return in variable tmp
- Use calibration constants that exist as global variables called THERMISTOR_CAL_A, THERMISTOR_CAL_B, ...
- Calculate the uncertainty in the thermistor temperature and store in variable tmp_unc
- Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise

• RH measurement

o Function to read RH and temperature from Si7021

int readRH(float & RH, float & RH_unc)

- Read and return the relative humidity from the Si7021
- Determine and return the relative humidity uncertainty from the Si7021
- Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise

int readRHTmp(float & temp, float & tmp unc)

- Read and return the temperature from the Si7021
- Determine and return the temperature uncertainty from the Si7021
- Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise
- o Function to calculate dew point and estimated uncertainty

int calculateDewPoint(float tmp, float tmp_unc, float RH, float RH_unc, float & dewPoint, float & dewPoint unc)

- Calculate the dew point from a given temperature and RH and their uncertainties
- Calculate the dew point uncertainty
- Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise
- o Function to check the Si7021

int checkRH()

- Check that the Si7021is present and returns reasonable output
- Return 0 if everything is good, some error code if not

Pressure measurement

- o Functions to read pressure and temperature from BMP180
 - int readPrs(float & prs, float & prs_unc)
 - Read and return the pressure from the BMP180
 - Determine and return the pressure uncertainty
 - Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise

int readPrsTmp(float & tmp, float & tmp_unc)

- Read and return the temperature from the BMP180
- Determine and return the temperature uncertainty
- Return 0 if successful, and some error code otherwise
- o Functions to calculate equivalent sea-level pressure

int toSLP(float prs, float elevation, float tmp, float & SLP)

- Take a local pressure, elevation, and air temperature, and calculate the equivalent sea-level pressure
- Return 0 if the calculation was successful

int toLocalPrs(float SLP, float elevation, float tmp, float & prs)

- From equivalent sea-level pressure, elevation, and temperature, calculate local pressure
- Return 0 if the calculation was successful

Clock

- o Use RTClib (see file RTClib.h)
- o Function to format time as a string

int getTimeString(char timeStr[])

- Get the time, and format it as a string ("HH:mm:ss") in timeStr
- The character array time is 9 characters long (char time[9];)
- Return 0 if successful, error code if not

int getDateString(char dateStr[])

- Get the date and format it as a string ("DD/MM/YYYY") in dateStr
- The character array date is 11 characters long (char date[11];)
- Return 0 if successful, error code if not
- o Function to set clock

int checkClock()

- Check the status of the clock
- Return an integer reflecting the clock status (0 if everything is good)

• SD card

- Function to write to file and validate that the correct amount of data was written int writeDataToSDFile(String datastring)
 - Using the function getSDFileName(), open the file on the SD card
 - Check the file size
 - Write datastring to the file
 - Close the file
 - Check the file size and return 0 if it has increased by the correct size
- $\circ\hspace{0.1in}$ Function to check that the SD card is present and working correctly
 - int checkSD()
 - Check the SD card to make sure that it is present and working
- Function to determine the current SD filename

int getSDFileName(char filename[])

- Using the function getTimeString, format the file name ("YYYYMMDD.csv") and return it as a string
- o Function to initialize the SD card

int initSDCard()

• Initialize the SD card

Statistical function

- Function to keep a record of first four moments of temperature, RH, and pressure void updateStats(float x, float storageArray[])
 - Update statistics will calculate the mean, standard deviation, skew, and kurtosis of
 each variable. The data will be passed in one value at a time, and storageArray will
 hold the data necessary to calculate the statistical values.
 - Read refer to Wikipedia for background on <u>Standard deviation</u>, <u>Skewness</u>, <u>Kurtosis</u>, and read the page titled "<u>Algorithms for calculating variance</u>". This function should implement the algorithm outlined in the section titled "<u>Higher-order statistics</u>".
 - storageArray will hold the values of n, mean, M2, M3, and M4 from the sample Python function online_kurtosis on the Wikipedia page.
 - In the documentation (comments), cite an *academic* source (there are several articles cited on the Wikipedia page).
- Function to initialize the statistical storage variables void initStats(float storageArray[])
 - Initialize storageArray to make it ready for calculations using updateStatistics (all array entries should equal zero).
- Functions to calculate and return the mean, standard deviation, skew, and kurtosis float calcMean(float storageArray[])
 - Use the values in the storageArray to calculate and return the mean float calcStd(float storageArray[])
 - Use the values in the storageArray to calculate and return the standard deviation float calcSkewness(float storageArray[])
 - Use the values in the storageArray to calculate and return the skewness float calcKurtosis(float storageArray[])
 - Use the values in the storageArray to calculate and return the kurtosis

Formatting output

- Use variables returned by other functions to assemble a single line to be added to the data file int formatValues(char output[], int outputSize, float values[], int arraySize)
 - Validate the variables and replace them with error flags if necessary
 - Format the variables and assemble them as comma-separated values in the string line
 - The format should be fixed so that the string is always a constant length
- Check that the variables make sense and substitute an error flag for bad values float validateTmp(float tmp)
 - Return tmp if the temperature is within a reasonable atmospheric range
 - If the temperature is not valid, return -99.0

float validateRH(float RH)

- Return RH if the relative humidity is within a reasonable atmospheric range
- If the relative humidity is not valid, return -1.0

float validatePrs(float prs)

- Return 0 if the pressure is within a reasonable atmospheric range
- If the pressure is not valid, return -1.0

• Timing/dispatch and error checking

- o Timing and decision making to call other functions
- o Blink LED with error status
- o See the instructor/TA for more information. You should communicate with the group working on the setup code to ensure compatibility.

• Setup/initialization

- o Initialize sensor and variables
- o Check for serial input enabled or disabled?
- Watchdog timer routine

int resetWatchdogTimer()

- Get the time from the clock chip
- Set the timer on the clock chip to trigger after a determined interval
- Return 0 if successful
- See the instructor/TA for more information. You should communicate with the group working on the loop (timing/dispatch) code to ensure compatibility.

Calibration

- Function to check for calibration file, load calibration, and validate the calibration constants int loadCalibrationFile()
 - Check for a calibration file on the SD card
 - Open the calibration file and read in the calibration constants
 - Assign the constants to the appropriate global variables
 - Return 0 if all constants were read successfully
 - If any calibration constants are missing, assign appropriate estimate values to the global variables
 - Return an error code indicating which constants are missing