

**Global Satellite Mapping of Precipitation Microwave-IR Combined Product  
(GSMaP\_MVK) and Gauge-calibrated Rainfall Product (GSMaP\_Gauge)**

**Data Format Description for Product Version 7,**

**Reanalysis Products (GSMaP\_RNL), and**

**Gauge-calibrated Reanalysis Product (GSMaP\_Gauge\_RNL)**

**Data Format Description for Product Version 6**

This document describes data format and information of Global Satellite Mapping of Precipitation Microwave-IR Combined Product (hereafter refers as GSMAp\_MVK) for product version 7, which is a reanalysis version of Global Rainfall Map in Near-Real-Time (GSMAp\_NRT) distributed from JAXA/EORC, and Gauge-calibrated Rainfall Product (GSMAp\_Gauge). For the past period before March 1, 2014, we also produced Reanalysis Products (GSMAp\_RNL) and Gauge-calibrated Reanalysis Product (GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL). GSMAp\_MVK, GSMAp\_Gauge and GSMAp\_NRT were developed for the Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) mission based on activities of the GSMAp (Global Satellite Mapping of Precipitation) project, which was promoted for the study "Production of a high-precision, high-resolution global precipitation map using satellite data," sponsored by Core Research for Evolutional Science and Technology (CREST) of the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST). The latest version of GSMAp algorithm (Ver.7) became one of the JAXA GPM products, and original data of GSMAp\_NRT, GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge in HDF5 format is distributed to the public through the JAXA G-Portal (<https://www.gportal.jaxa.jp>) as the GPM Global Rainfall Map product. GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL use same algorithms as GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge, respectively, but using the Japanese 55-year Reanalysis (JRA-55) data as ancillary data to produce continuous and homogeneous dataset for the past period from March 2000.

## 1. Products Overview

**Table 1 Summary of GSMAp\_MVK Products**

No	Parameter [unit]	Data format	Coverage	Grid size	Horizontal resolution	Temporal resolution	Section
1	Hourly Rain Rate [mm/hr]	4-byte float plain binary, little-endian	Global (60°N-60°S)	3600 x 1200	0.1 x 0.1 degree grid box	Hourly (averaged from 00-minute to 59-minute of the specified hour. For example, 12:00-12:59Z for 12Z data)	See Section 3
2	Satellite Information Flag	4-byte singed integer plain binary, little-endian					
3	Observation Time Flag	4-byte float plain binary, little-endian					
4	Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate [mm/hr]	4-byte float plain binary, little-endian					
5	Hourly Rain Rate & Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate in text format [mm/hr]	ASCII, CSV format	Divided to 15 areas	---			See Section 5
6	Daily Averaged Rain Rate [mm/hr]	4-byte float plain binary, little-endian	Global (60°N-60°S)	3600 x 1200	0.1 x 0.1 degree grid box	Daily (averaged from 00Z to 23Z of the specified day)	See Section 6
7						Daily (averaged from 12Z of the previous day to 11Z of the specified day)	
8	Daily Averaged Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate [mm/hr]		Global (60°N-60°S)	3600 x 1200	0.1 x 0.1 degree grid box	Same as 5	See Section 7
9						Same as 6	
10	Daily Averaged Rai Rate & Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate in text format [mm/hr]	ASCII, CSV format	Divided to 15 areas	---	0.1 x 0.1 degree grid box	Same as 5	See Section 8
11						Same as 6	

## **2. Product/Algorithm Versions and Data Period**

### **2.1. Version**

Version of product and algorithms are denoted in following format.

Version: **vP.RSKI.J**

where;

- P:** product version;
  - R:** version of microwave imager algorithm (reset when product version is updated);
  - S:** version of microwave sounder algorithm (reset when product version is updated);
  - K:** version of microwave imager/sounder algorithm (reset when product version is updated);
  - I:** version of microwave-IR combined algorithm (reset when product version is updated);
- and
- J:** inclement number of reprocessing.

**For example, v6.5133.0** indicates that product version is **6**, microwave imager algorithm version is **6.5**, microwave sounder version is **6.1**, microwave imager/sounder version is **6.3**, microwave-IR combined version is **6.3**, and no inclement number.

Product version will be updated only when there are major updates in algorithms and reprocessing of whole period is done.

### **2.2. Data Period**

Data period for GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge product version 6 is currently **from 1 March 2014 to present**. Data will be updated operationally about three days after observation.

GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL product version 6 covers the period from March 2000 to February 2014. Data will be updated in order when the processing completed.

### **2.3. FTP/web server**

Password protected ftp server same as GSMAp Near Real Time Version (GSMAp\_NRT).

## **3. Hourly Rain Rate (GSMAp\_MVK, GSMAp\_RNL) and Flag Files in Binary (products (1)-(3))**

### **3.1. Basic Information**

- Temporal resolution: 1 hour (hourly data) averaged from 00-minute to 59-minute of the specified hour.
- Grid resolution: 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator).  
Latitude and longitude of the first grid [1, 1] is [59.95°N, 0.05°E].
- Domain: Global (60°N-60°S).

### **3.2. FTP Directory Information**

#### **For GSMAp\_MVK**

- Hourly Rain Rate data; /standard/v7/hourly/YYYY/MM/DD/
- Satellite Information Flag; /standard/v7/sateinfo/YYYY/MM/DD/
- Observation Time Flag; /standard/v7/timeinfo/YYYY/MM/DD/

#### **For GSMAp\_RNL**

Hourly Rain Rate data; /reanalysis/v6/hourly/**YYYY/MM/DD/**  
Satellite Information Flag; /reanalysis/v6/sateinfo/**YYYY/MM/DD/**  
Observation Time Flag; /reanalysis/v6/timeinfo/**YYYY/MM/DD/**

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;  
**MM:** 2-digit month; and  
**DD:** 2-digit day.

### 3.3. File Naming Rules

Data and flag files are named according to the following rules;

For GSMAp\_MVK

Hourly Rain Rate data: gsmap\_mvk.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.dat**  
Satellite Information Flag: gsmap\_mvk.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.sateinfo.dat**  
Observation Time Flag: gsmap\_mvk.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.timeinfo.dat**

For GSMAp\_RNL

Hourly Rain Rate data: gsmap\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.dat**  
Satellite Information Flag: gsmap\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.sateinfo.dat**  
Observation Time Flag: gsmap\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.timeinfo.dat**

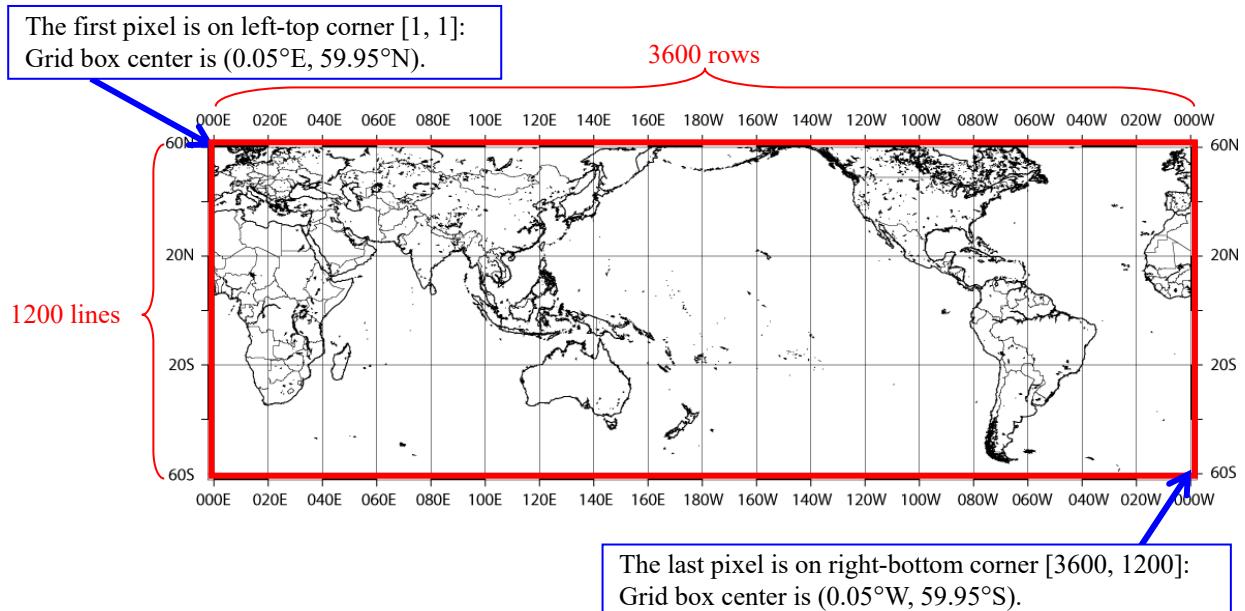
where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;  
**MM:** 2-digit month;  
**DD:** 2-digit day;  
**HH:** 2-digit hour;  
**NN:** 2-digit minute (currently fixed as 00); and  
**P.RSKI.J:** version of algorithms (see section 2 for details).

### 3.4. Data Format

Data format was same as current version of GSMAp\_NRT, and previous version of GSMAp\_MVK (Ver.6.5133.0). History of version up is described in GSMAp\_MVK\_HISTORY.txt file for GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_RNL\_HISTORY.txt file for GSMAp\_RNL on the ftp server.

All binary files are produced in little-endian byte order platform, and archived with compressed using “gzip”. Grid of those files consists of 3600 rows x 1200 lines, which are longitude-latitude elements corresponding to a 0.1 x 0.1 degree grid that covers the global region from 60°N to 60°S. The center longitude and latitude of the first pixel [1, 1] (left top corner) are [0.05°E, 59.95°N] (Figure 1).



**Figure 1 Data Coverage Map (Rain and Flag data)**

### 3.5. Stored Value of Hourly Rain Rate

“Hourly Rain Rate” data are stored in 4-byte float plain binary format. Unit is [mm/hr]. Negative value denotes missing in observation data or no retrieval was done in microwave retrieval algorithm. Detailed description for missing data is shown in Table 2.

**Table 2 Stored Value of Hourly Rain Rate**

Value	Description
(positive)	Hourly rain rate [mm/hr].
-4	Missing due to sea ice in microwave retrieval algorithm.
-8	Missing due to low temperature in microwave retrieval algorithm.
-99	Missing due to no observation by IR and/or microwave.

### 3.6. Stored Value of Satellite Information Flag

“Satellite Information Flag” data are stored in 4-byte integer plain binary format. Satellite and sensor name are assigned to each bit, and the flag indicates all satellite/sensor which are used in estimation of rainfall at each pixel during one-hour time period. If the flag shows 0, there is no satellite observation by both microwave and geo-stationary IR. Following meanings are assigned to each bit in 32-bit integer (Table 3).

**Table 3 Stored Values of Satellite Information Flag**

Pixel Value		Description	
Value	Bit	Sensor Category	Satellite/Sensor
1	0	Infrared Imager aboard Geo-stationary meteorological satellite	NOAA/CPC Globally Merged IR data
2	1		TRMM/TMI
4	2		GPM-Core/GMI
8	3		Megha-Tropiques/MADRAS
16	4		Megha-Tropiques/SAPHIR
32	5		ADEOS-II/AMSR
64	6		Aqua/AMSR-E
128	7		GCOM-W1/AMSR2
256	8		GCOM-W2/AMSR2 f/o (TBD)
512	9		GCOM-W3/AMSR2 f/o (TBD)
1024	10		DMSP-F11/SSM/I
2048	11		DMSP-F13/SSM/I
4096	12		DMSP-F14/SSM/I
8192	13		DMSP-F15/SSM/I
16384	14		DMSP-F16/SSM/I
32768	15		DMSP-F17/SSM/I
65536	16		DMSP-F18/SSM/I
131072	17		DMSP-F19/SSM/I
262144	18		DMSP-F20/SSM/I
524288	19		NOAA-15/AMSU-A/B
1048576	20		NOAA-16/AMSU-A/B
2097152	21		NOAA-17/AMSU-A/B
4194304	22		NOAA-18/AMSU-A/B
8388608	23		NOAA-19/AMSU-A/B
16777216	24		NPP/ATMS
33554432	25		JPSS-1/ATMS
67108864	26		MetOp-A/AMSU-A/MHS
134217728	27		MetOp-B/AMSU-A/MHS
268435456	28		MetOp-C/AMSU-A/MHS
	29–31		Spare

### 3.7. Stored Value of Observation Time Flag

“Observation Time Information Flag” are in 4-byte float plain binary format. The Flag indicates relative time of nearest microwave radiometer (imager/sounder) observation at each pixel, and 0 means start time of the file (HH in file name). Values are stored as indicated in Table 4.

**Table 4 Stored Values of Observation Time Flag**

Value	Description
$0 \leq X < 1$	If value is positive and smaller than 1, microwave radiometer observation is available at the pixel during current one-hour period. X ( $0 \leq X < 1$ ) indicates relative observation time of latest microwave radiometer, and is stored as differences from the start time of the file. For example, if UTC of the file (HH) = “01” and X = 0.2, observation time of the pixel will be 01:12 UTC.
$1 \leq X$	If value is equal or larger than 1, NO microwave radiometer observation is available at the pixel during time period of the file. X ( $1 \leq X$ ) indicates relative observation time of coming microwave radiometer, and stored as differences from the start time of the file. For example, if UTC of the file (HH) = “01” and X= 2.5, coming observation time of microwave radiometer at the pixel will be 3:30 UTC.
$X < 0$	If value is negative, NO microwave radiometer observation is available at the pixel during time period of the file. X ( $X < 0$ ) indicates relative observation time of latest microwave radiometer, and stored as differences from the start time of the file. For example, if UTC of the file (HH) = “01” and X = −2.5, latest observation time of microwave radiometer at the pixel will be 22:30 UTC of previous day.
X = −999	No microwave observation (Missing)

### 3.8. File Size

Approximately 1.5 Mbyte (with gzip), and 17 Mbyte (uncompress) for each file.

## 4. Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate (GSMaP\_Gauge, GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL) in Binary (product (4))

### 4.1. Basic Information

Temporal resolution: 1 hour (hourly data) averaged from 00-minute to 59-minute of the specified hour.  
 Grid resolution: 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator).  
 Latitude and longitude of the first grid [1, 1] is [59.95°N, 0.05°E].  
 Domain: Global (60°N-60°S).

### 4.2. FTP Directory Information

For GSMAp\_Gauge

Hourly Rain Rate data: /standard/v7/gauge\_hr/YYYY/MM/DD/

For GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Hourly Rain Rate data; /reanalysis/v6/gauge\_hr/YYYY/MM/DD/

where;

- YYYY:** 4-digit year;
- MM:** 2-digit month; and
- DD:** 2-digit day.

#### **4.3. File Naming Rules**

Data and flag files are named according to the following rules;

For GSMAp\_Gauge

Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate data: gsmap\_gauge.YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.dat

For GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate data:

gsmap\_gauge\_rnl.YYYYMMDD.HHNN.vP.RSKI.J.dat

where;

- YYYY:** 4-digit year;
- MM:** 2-digit month;
- DD:** 2-digit day;
- HH:** 2-digit hour;
- NN:** 2-digit minute (currently fixed as 00); and
- P.RSKI.J:** version of algorithms (see section 2 for details).

#### **4.4. Data Format**

Same as Hourly Rain Rate Data (product (1)). See Section 3.4.

#### **4.5. Stored Value of Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate**

Same as Hourly Rain Rate Data (product (1)). See Section 3.5.

#### **4.6. File Size**

Same as Hourly Rain Rate Data (product (1)). See Section 3.6.

### **5. Hourly Rain Rate (GSMAp\_MVK, GSMAp\_RNL) & Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate (GSMAp\_Gauge, GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL) in text format (product (5))**

#### **5.1. Basic Information**

Hourly rain rate (GSMAp\_MVK, GSMAp\_RNL) and Gauge-calibrated rain rate (GSMAp\_Gauge, GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL) are stored in the same line.

Temporal resolution: 1 hour (hourly data) averaged from 00-minute to 59-minute of the specified hour.

Grid resolution: 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator)

Domain: 15 areas

#### **5.2. FTP Directory Information**

Data files are archived at following directories;

For GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge

Hourly Data; /standard/v7/txt/hourly/**XX\_ZZZZZZ/YYYY/MM/DD/**

For GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Hourly Data; /reanalysis/v6/txt/hourly/**XX\_ZZZZZZ/YYYY/MM/DD/**

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;

**MM:** 2-digit month;

**DD:** 2-digit hour; and

**XX\_ZZZZZZ:** 9-digit area name.

### **5.3. File Naming Rules**

Data files are named according to following rules;

For GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge

Hourly Data;

gsmap\_mvk\_v**PRSKIJ\_YYYYMMDD\_HH00\_XX\_ZZZZZZ.csv**

For GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Hourly Data;

gsmap\_rnl\_v**PRSKIJ\_YYYYMMDD\_HH00\_XX\_ZZZZZZ.csv**

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;

**MM:** 2-digit month;

**DD:** 2-digit day;

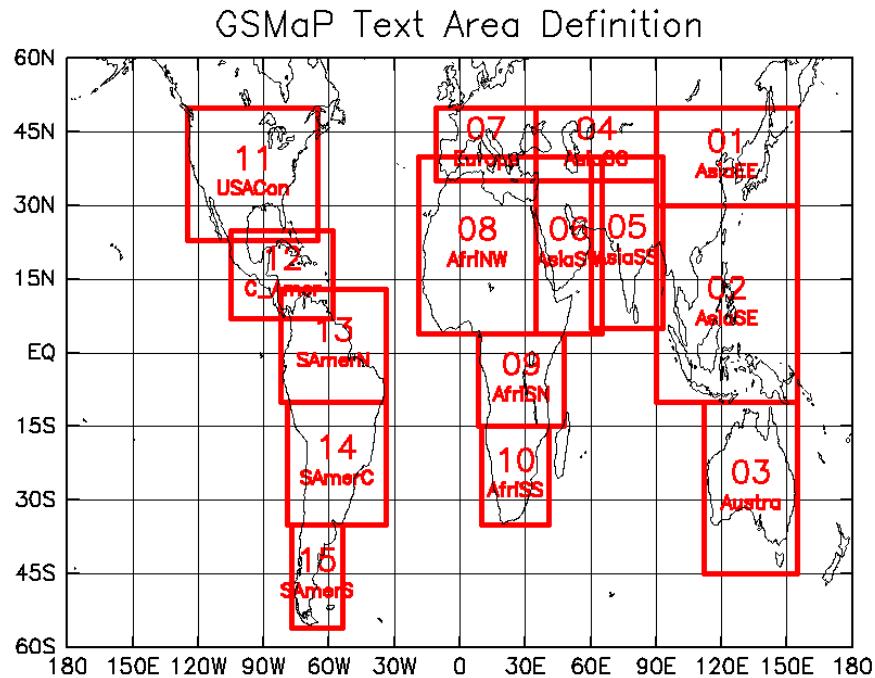
**HH:** 2-digit hour;

**PRSKIJ:** version of algorithms (see section 2 for details); and

**XX\_ZZZZZZ:** 9-digit area name.

### **5.4. Area definition in text format**

15 areas are defined for Text format as in Figure 2.



**Figure 2 Definition of Text Area**

**Table 5 Corner latitude and longitude of each area**

Area name	Longitude (W)	Longitude (E)	Latitude (S)	Latitude (N)	Description
01_AsiaEE	90	155	30	50	East Asia
02_AsiaSE	90	155	-10	30	South East Asia
03_Austra	112	155	-45	-10	Australia
04_AsiaCC	35	90	35	50	Central Asia
05_AsiaSS	60	93	5	40	South Asia
06_AsiaSW	35	65	4	40	Arabian Peninsula and East Africa
07_Europe	-11	35	35	50	Europe
08_AfriNW	-19	35	4	40	North West and Central Africa
09_AfriSN	8.5	48	-15	4	Southern Africa (North)
10_AfriSS	10	41	-35	-15	Southern Africa (South)
11_USACon	-125	-65	23	50	USA (Contiguous)
12_C_Amer	-105	-58	7	25	Central America
13_SAmerN	-82	-34	-10	13	South America (North)
14_SAmerC	-79	-34	-35	-10	South America (Central)
15_SAmerS	-77	-54	-56	-35	South America (South)

## 5.5. Data Format

Text files are stored in CSV format (see Figure 3). Unit is [mm/hr]. Data with missing value are omitted. All text files are archived with compressed using “zip”.

This data format is available in the ArcGIS (ESRI ArcMap 10.0), verified by Mr. Fujioka (ICHARM).

Lat	Lon	RainRate	Gauge-calibratedRain
49.95	89.95	0	0
49.85	89.95	0	0
49.65	89.95	1.1	1.5
.....			

**Figure 3 Example of text format**

## 5.6. File Size

Approximately 100-700 Kbyte (with zip), and 1.0-5.5 Mbyte (uncompress) for each file.

## 6. Daily Averaged Rain Rate in Binary (products (6)-(7))

### 6.1. Basic Information

Daily averaged rain rate [mm/hr] of GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_RNL (product (1)).

- |                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Temporal resolution: | 24 hours average (daily average)                                    |
|                      | Two definition of “daily”;  |
|                      | a) 00Z-23Z average: from 00Z to 23Z of the day; and                 |
|                      | b) 12Z-11Z average: from 12Z of the previous day to 11Z of the day. |
| Grid resolution:     | 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator)           |
| Domain:              | Global (60°N-60°S)  |

### 6.2. FTP Directory Information

Data files are archived at following directories;

For GSMap\_MVK

- Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /standard /v7/daily/00Z-23Z/**YYYYMM**/
- Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /standard/v7/daily/p12Z-11Z/**YYYYMM**/

For GSMAp\_RNL

- Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /reanalysis /v6/daily/00Z-23Z/**YYYYMM**/
- Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /reanalysis/v6/daily/p12Z-11Z/**YYYYMM**/

where;

- YYYY**:     4-digit year; and  
**MM**:     2-digit month.

### 6.3. File Naming Rules

Data files are named according to following rules;

For GSMAp\_MVK

- Daily data (00Z-23Z average);  
    gsmap\_mvk.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.00Z-23Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat
- Daily data (12Z-11Z average);  
    gsmap\_mvk.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.p12Z-11Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

For GSMAp\_RNL

Daily data (00Z-23Z average);

gsmap\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.00Z-23Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

Daily data (12Z-11Z average);

gsmap\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.p12Z-11Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

where;

**YYYY**: 4-digit year;

**MM**: 2-digit month;

**DD**: 2-digit day; and

**P.RSKI.J**: version of algorithms (see section 2 for details).

#### **6.4. Data Format**

All binary files are produced in little-endian byte order platform, and archived with compressed using “gzip”. Unit is [mm/hr]. Missing value is -999.9.

Grid of those files consists of 3600 rows x 1200 lines, which are longitude-latitude elements corresponding to a 0.1 x 0.1 degree grid that covers the global region from 60°N to 60°S. The center longitude and latitude of the first pixel [1, 1] (left top corner) is [0.05°E, 59.95°N] (See Figure 1).

#### **6.5. File Size**

Approximately 5 Mbyte (with gzip), and 17 Mbyte (uncompress) for each file.

### **7. Daily Averaged Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate in Binary (products (8)-(9))**

#### **7.1. Basic Information**

Daily averaged rain rate [mm/hr] of GSMAp\_Gauge and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL (product (4)).

Temporal resolution: 24 hours average (daily average)

Two definition of “daily”;

a) 00Z-23Z average: from 00Z to 23Z of the day; and

b) 12Z-11Z average: from 12Z of the previous day to 11Z of the day.

Grid resolution: 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator)

Domain: Global (60°N-60°S)

#### **7.2. FTP Directory Information**

Data files are archived at following directories;

For GSMAp\_Gauge

Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /standard /v7/gauge\_dy/00Z-23Z/**YYYYMM**/

Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /standard/v7/gauge\_dy/p12Z-11Z/**YYYYMM**/

For GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /reanalysis /v6/gauge\_dy/00Z-23Z/**YYYYMM**/

Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /reanalysis/v6/gauge\_dy/p12Z-11Z/**YYYYMM**/

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year; and

**MM:** 2-digit month.

### **7.3. File Naming Rules**

Data files are named according to following rules;

For GSMAp\_Gauge

Daily data (00Z-23Z average);

gsmap\_gauge.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.00Z-23Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

Daily data (12Z-11Z average);

gsmap\_gauge.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.p12Z-11Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

For GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Daily data (00Z-23Z average);

gsmap\_gauge\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.00Z-23Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

Daily data (12Z-11Z average);

gsmap\_gauge\_rnl.**YYYYMMDD**.0.1d.daily.p12Z-11Z.v**P.RSKI.J**.dat

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;

**MM:** 2-digit month;

**DD:** 2-digit day; and

**P.RSKI.J:** version of algorithms (see section 2 for details).

### **7.4. Data Format**

Same as Daily Averaged Rain Rate Data (products (6)-(7)). See Section 6.4.

### **7.5. File Size**

Same as Daily Averaged Rain Rate Data (products (6)-(7)). See Section 6.5.

## **8. Daily Averaged Rain Rate & Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate in text format (products (10)-(11))**

### **8.1. Basic Information**

Daily averaged rain rate (daily average of GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_RNL) and gauge-calibrated rain rate (daily average of GSMAp\_Gauge and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL) are stored in the same line.

Temporal resolution: 24 hours average (daily data)

Two definition of “daily”;

a) 00Z-23Z average: from 00Z to 23Z of the day; and

b) 12Z-11Z average: from 12Z of the previous day to 11Z of the day.

Grid resolution: 0.1 degrees latitude/longitude grid (10km at the equator)

Domain: 15 areas

### **8.2. FTP Directory Information**

Data files are archived at following directories;

For GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge

Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /standard /v7/txt/daily/00Z-23Z/**XX\_ZZZZZZ**/YYYY/MM/

Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /standard/v7/txt/daily/p12Z-11Z/**XX\_ZZZZZZ**/YYYY/MM/

For GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Daily data (00Z-23Z average); /reanalysis /v6/txt/daily/00Z-23Z/**XX\_ZZZZZZ**/YYYY/MM/

Daily data (12Z-11Z average); /reanalysis/v6/txt/daily/p12Z-11Z/**XX\_ZZZZZZ**/YYYY/MM/

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;

**MM:** 2-digit month; and

**XX\_ZZZZZZ:** 9-digit area name.

### **8.3. File Naming Rules**

Data files are named according to following rules;

For GSMAp\_MVK and GSMAp\_Gauge

Daily data (00Z-23Z average);

gsmap\_mv<sub>k</sub>\_v**PRSKIJ**\_YYYYMMDD\_daily\_00Z-23Z\_**XX\_ZZZZZZ**.csv

Daily data (12Z-11Z average);

gsmap\_mv<sub>k</sub>\_v**PRSKIJ**\_YYYYMMDD\_daily\_p12Z-11Z\_**XX\_ZZZZZZ**.csv

For GSMAp\_RNL and GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL

Daily data (00Z-23Z average);

gsmap\_rn<sub>l</sub>\_v**PRSKIJ**\_YYYYMMDD\_daily\_00Z-23Z\_**XX\_ZZZZZZ**.csv

Daily data (12Z-11Z average);

gsmap\_rn<sub>l</sub>\_v**PRSKIJ**\_YYYYMMDD\_daily\_p12Z-11Z\_**XX\_ZZZZZZ**.csv

where;

**YYYY:** 4-digit year;

**MM:** 2-digit month;

**DD:** 2-digit day;

**PRSKIJ:** version of algorithms (see section 2 for details); and

**XX\_ZZZZZZ:** 9-digit area name.

### **8.4. Area definition in text format**

Same as hourly text file. See section 5.4, Figure 2, and Table 5.

### **8.5. Data Format**

Same as hourly text file. See section 5.5 and Figure 3.

### **8.6. File Size**

Approximately 100-700 Kbyte (with zip), and 1.0-5.5 Mbyte (uncompress) for each file.

## **9. Sample code**

### **9.1. Sample Code Directory Information**

Some sample codes for GSMAp\_MVK are archived at following directory. You can apply same sample code prepared for GSMAp\_MVK to GSMAp\_Gauge, GSMAp\_RNL, or GSMAp\_Gauge\_RNL, but please replace input file name as appropriate.

Data files are archived at following directories;      /standard/v7/sample/

### **9.2. FORTRAN Sample Code**

FORTRAN sample code to read hourly rain rate data (product (1), plain binary) is archived as;

read\_GSMAp\_MVK\_0.1deg.v7.f

### **9.3. IDL Sample Code**

Sample code for Interactive Data Language (IDL) to read hourly rain rate data (product (1), plain binary) is archived as;

GSMAp\_MVK\_sample.v7.pro

### **9.4. GrADS Control File**

Sample control files of the Grid Analysis and Display System (GrADS) for each product are also archived as follows;

Hourly Rain Rate data:	GSMAp_MVK.hourly.rain.v7.ctl
Satellite Information Flag:	GSMAp_MVK.hourly.sat.v7.ctl
Observation Time Flag:	GSMAp_MVK.hourly.time.v7.ctl
Hourly Gauge-calibrated Rain Rate data:	GSMAp_MVK.gauge_hr.rain.v7.ctl
Daily data (00Z-23Z average);	GSMAp_MVK.daily.00Z-23Z.v7.ctl
Daily data (12Z-11Z average);	GSMAp_MVK.daily.p12Z-11Z.v7.ctl

About usage of GrADS tool, please see GrADS home page (<http://grads.iges.org/grads/head.html>).

## **10. Algorithm and references**

### **10.1. Algorithm**

The dataset of “Global Rainfall Map in Near Real Time” is near-real-time version of GSMAp algorithm.

Details of the latest GSMAp algorithm are described in following documents and references in Section 10.2.

- “Global Satellite Mapping of Precipitation (GSMAp) for GPM: Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document (ATBD)” ([http://www.eorc.jaxa.jp/GPM/doc/algorithm\\_e.htm](http://www.eorc.jaxa.jp/GPM/doc/algorithm_e.htm)).

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Additional related papers are listed on the GSMAp Project Website:

[http://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP\\_crest/html/publications.html](http://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP_crest/html/publications.html)

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