

Asia – Experience of APHRODITE daily gridded precipitation analyses

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Outline of the Talk

1. APHRODITE project
2. Algorithm
3. Extreme Analyses
4. Further developments for hydrological applications
5. Summary
(Recommendation and requests)



Asi**P**recipitation -- **H**ighly **R**esolved **O**bservational **D**ata **I**ntegration **T**owards **E**valuation of the Water Resources **(APHRODITE's Water Resources)**

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Background

In 2005

Regional impact of climate changes (global warming) are widely concerned, and simulations are made by high resolution climate models.

- For model validation: **High spatial resolution, quantitative accuracy**
- For statistical downscaling: **Long-term** data is required
- Evaluation of water resources: **Gridded precipitation data**
- Analysis of extreme phenomena: **High resolution (spatial & temporal) • Accuracy • Long-term** data
- Water resource in the mountains: **precipitation** grid data, estimate of snow, temperature

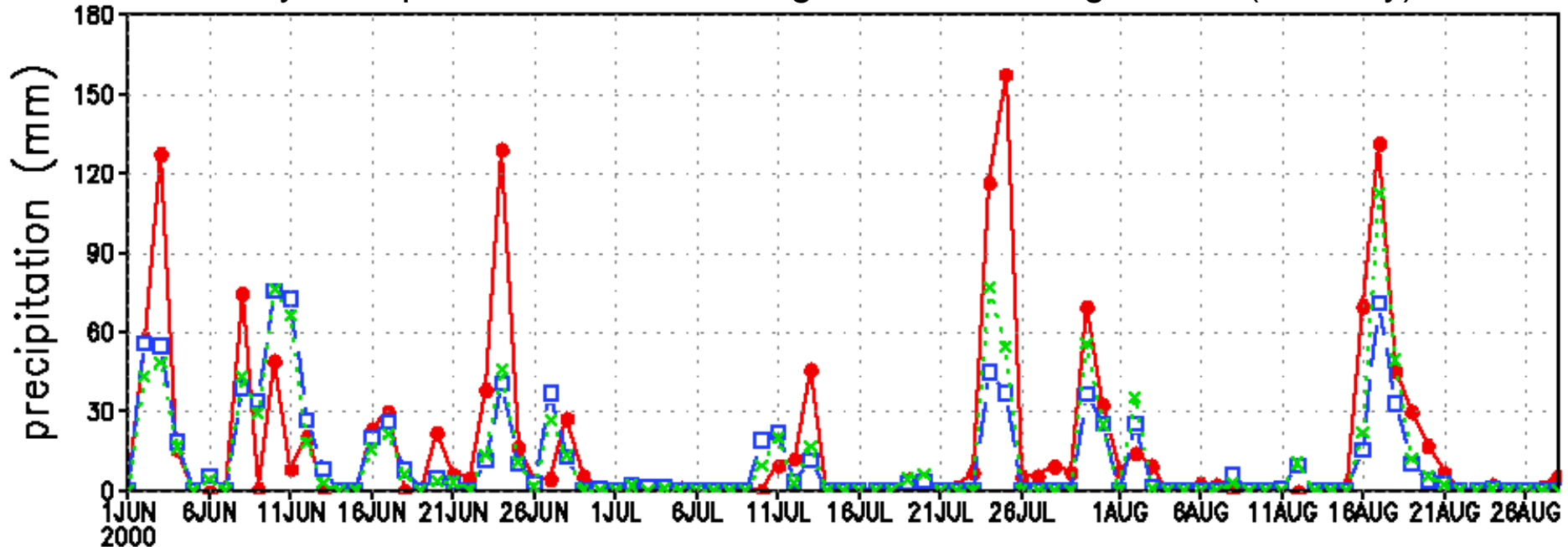
Do we have enough data?

Available grid precipitation data

Dataset	Source	Domain	Time Res.	Horizontal Res.	Period
Legates and Willmott	Raingauge	Global Land	Climatology	0.5 deg	1921-1980
GPCP CMAP	Merged (GTS raingauge, IR, MW)	Global	monthly	2.5 deg	1979-
GPCP_pen CMAP_pen	Merged	Global	5-day	2.5 deg.	1979-
GPCP1DD	IR	Global	Daily	1 deg.	1997-
CRU PREC/L	Raingauge	Global Land	Month	0.5 deg.	1900-1998 1948-2001
TRMM	PR,TMI,VIRS 3B42 (Ver6)	37N-37S 50N-50S	Path 3-hr	4.3km(PR) 0.25 deg.	1997.12- 1998-
CMORPH	MW+IR(cloud m.)	60N-60S	30 min.	0.25 deg.	2002-
GSMaP_TMI	TRMM/TMI	40N-40S	Daily	0.25deg.	1998-2005
GSMaP_MVK	MW+IR	60N-60S	Hrly	0.1 deg.	2005.7
Regional Precipitation Analysis	East Asia APHRODITE Raingauge	Regional Asia	Daily	0.5 deg. 0.25/0.5 deg	1978-2003.7 (1961-2003Cina) 1951-2007
	India Raingauges	Regional	Daily	1 deg.	1951-2004
Reanalyses	ECMWF JRA NCEP	Atmospheric observation + 4DDA (model)	Global	6 hrly	0.5~2.5 deg. 1957-2002 1979- 1948-

Can we use satellite-based daily precipitation data to study extreme events?

Daily Precipitation for June to August, 2000 at Kagoshima (mm/day)



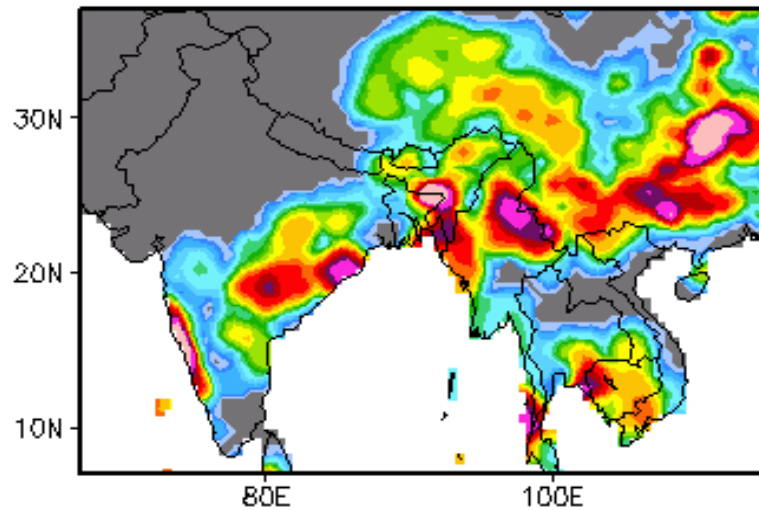
Satellite-based “observation” underestimates heavy precipitation compared to rain-gauge-based observation (Radar-AMeDAS)

● Radar-AMeDAS
□ GPCP-1DD
× TRMM3B42

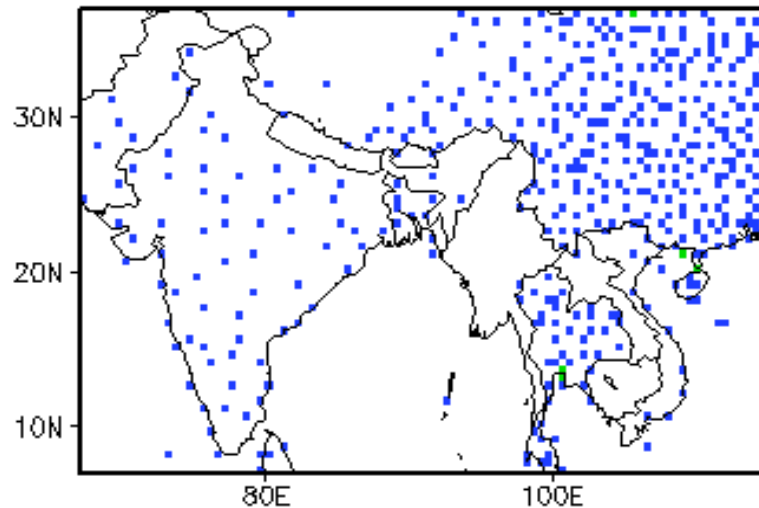
Satellite-based rainfall estimation is not sufficient to validate extreme precipitation events simulated by high-resolution models

Input of rain gauges

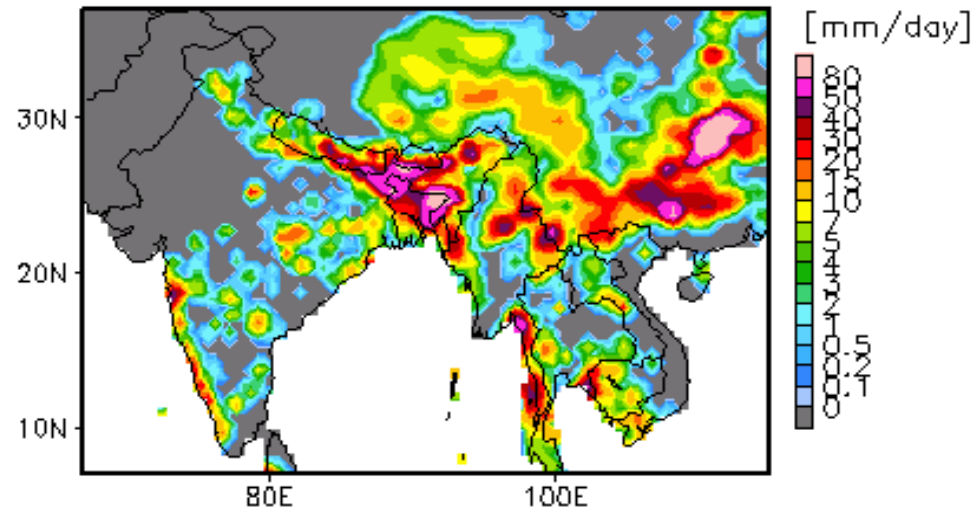
EA_V0409 (Xie et al. 2007)



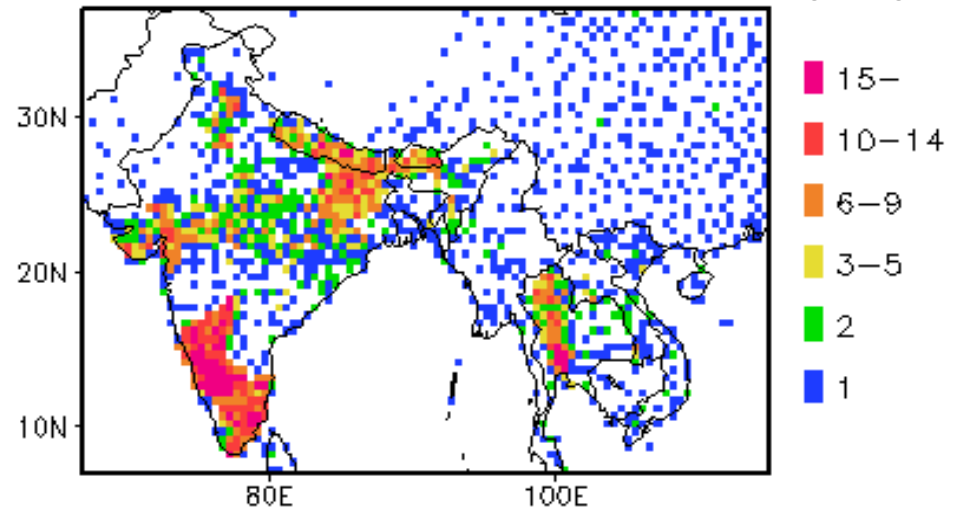
Number of Gauges



V0804 (Aphrodite product)



Number of Gauges (0.5degree grid)



GTS
920 station

V0409
1400 stations

A case in
23 July, 1998

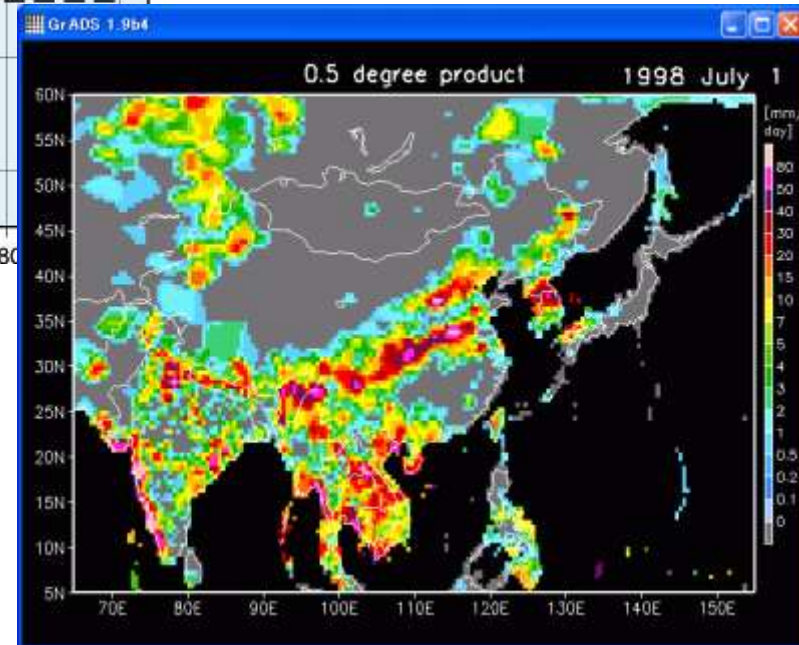
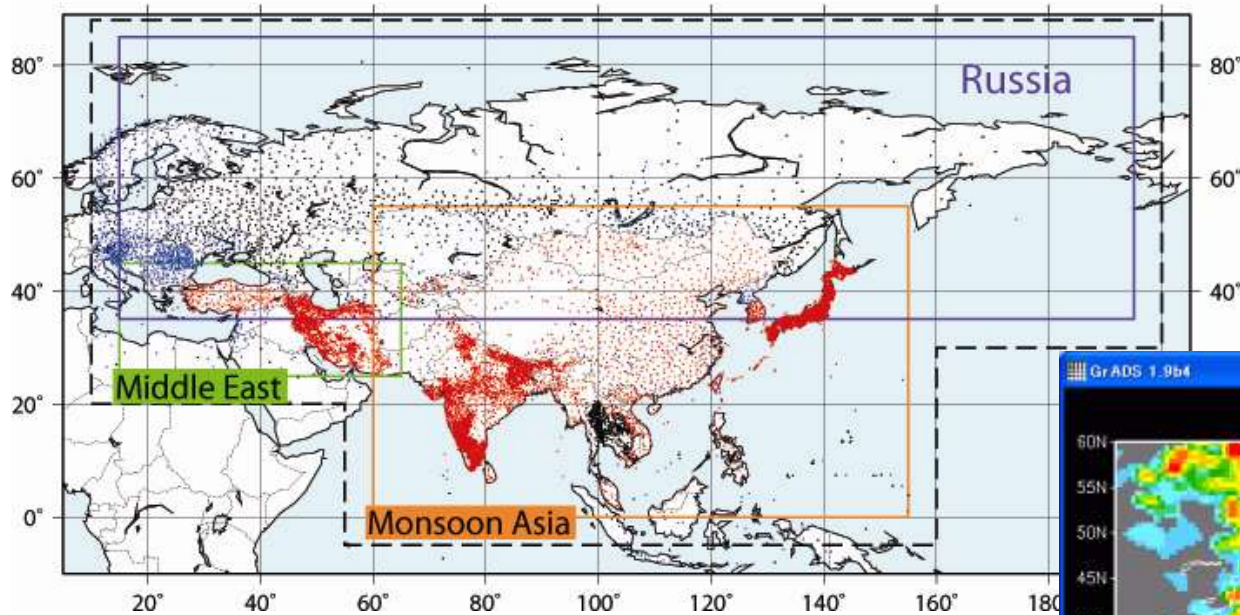
V0804
6030 stations

APHRODITE: Constructing a Long-term Daily Gridded Precipitation Dataset for Asia Based on a Dense Network of Rain Gauges (Yatagai et al., 2012, BAMS)

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Rain-gauge stations used for our daily analysis: year 1998

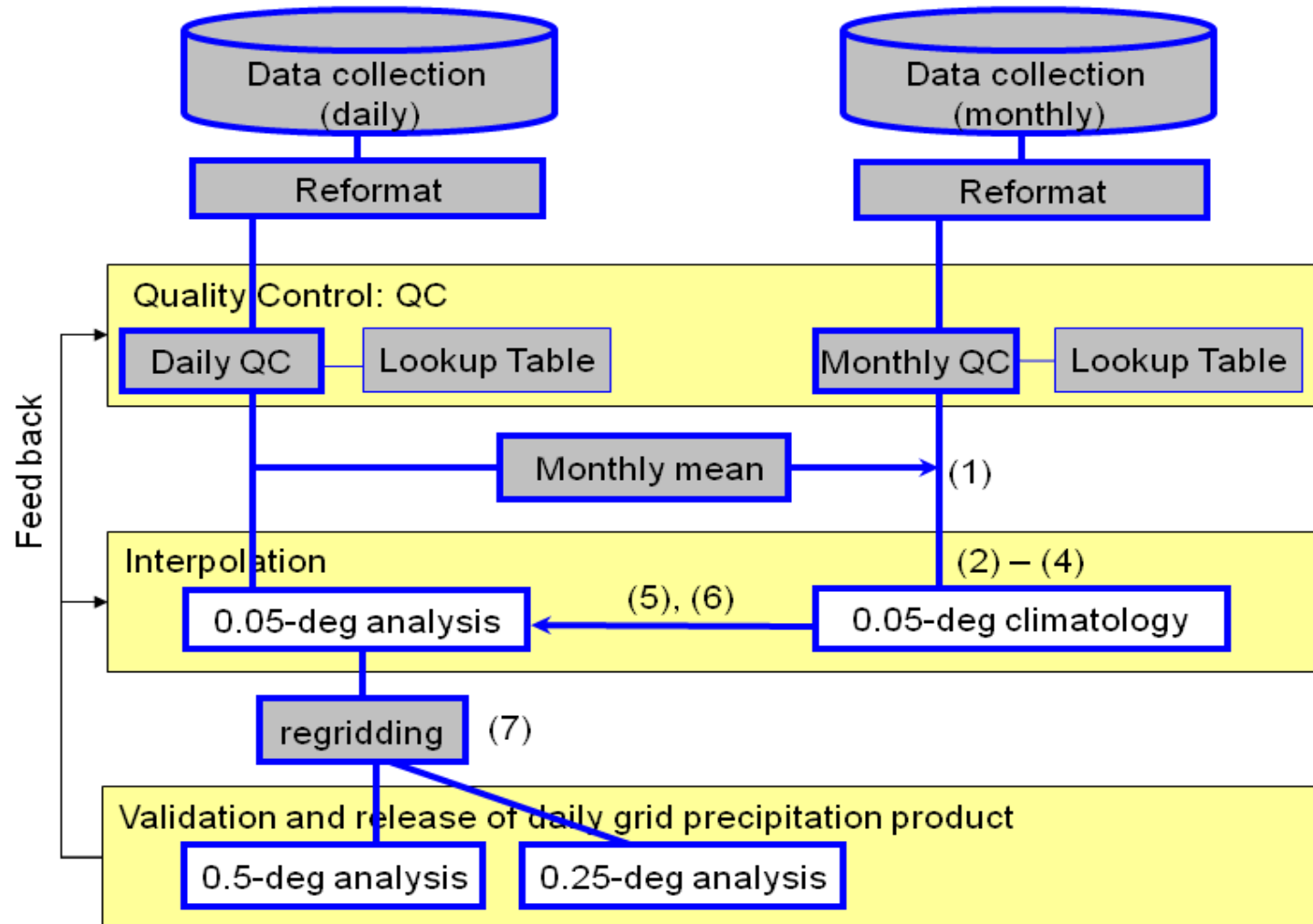
- Individual collection
- Pre-Compiled datasets
- GTS



<http://www.chikyu.ac.jp/precip/>
(44803 access)

More than 3000 users.

APHRODITE algorithm



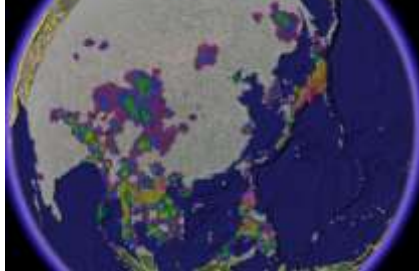
Strategy to Define Analysis of Daily Precipitation

Step 1: Define daily climatology;

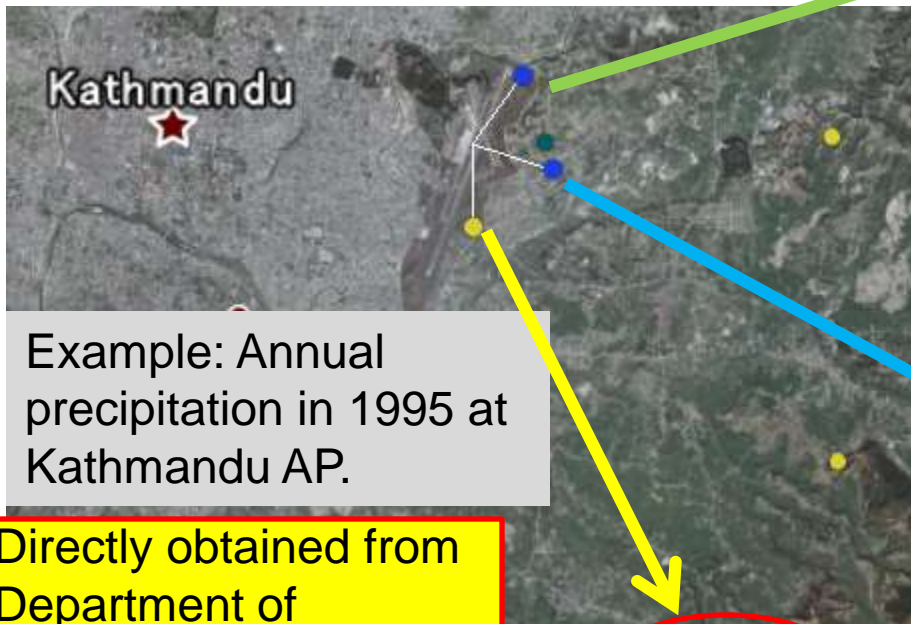
Step 2: Analysis of ratio to daily climatology ;
(Orographic effect)

Step 3: Define daily grid precipitation by
multiplying the Climatology and the Ratio ;

- APHRODITE Interpolation: Shepard (1968), Willmott et al. (1985)
- Xie et al. (2007, JHM) Interpolation: OI



QC tool with Google Earth



Example: Annual precipitation in 1995 at Kathmandu AP.

Directly obtained from Department of Hydrometeorology, Nepal

Ann. Precip (mm)	1673.80
Max. Precip (mm/d)	73.50
Valid obs rate	1.0
Name	KATHMANDU AIRPORT
Station NO	1030
Data Source	NPL_12
Longitude	85.36
Latitude	27.70

A global dataset

Ann. Precip (mm)	167.40
Max. Precip (mm/d)	7.40
Valid obs rate	1.0
Name	KATHMANDU AIRPORT
Station NO	NP000444540
Data Source	—
Longitude	85.36
Latitude	27.70

GTS base real-time data

Ann. Precip (mm)	153.40
Max. Precip (mm/d)	64.00
Valid obs rate	0.6

Publically available GTS-based datasets are 1/10 of our data.
 ⇒ Error information by QC should be exchanged. (We do not want to blame anybody.) Feedback from local meteorologists and data developers are important.

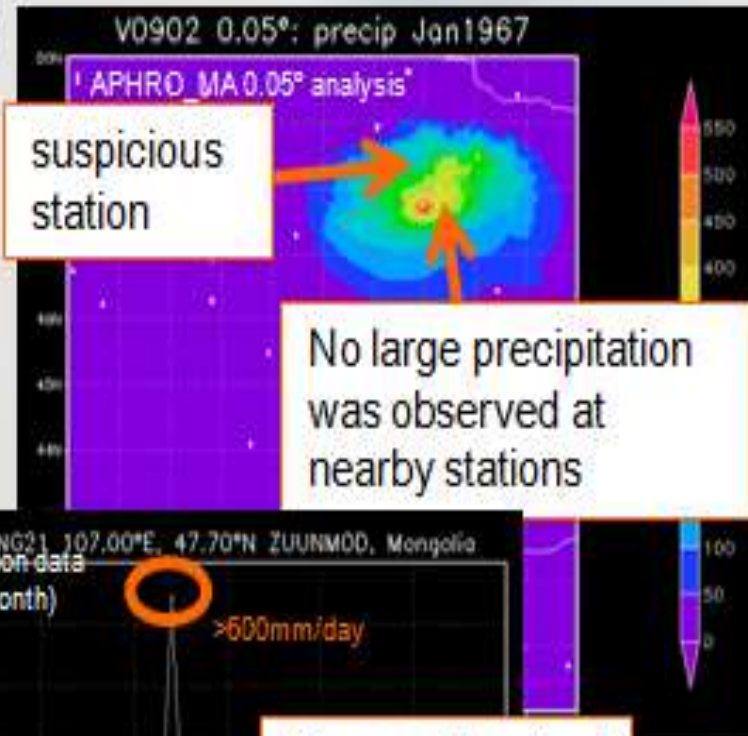
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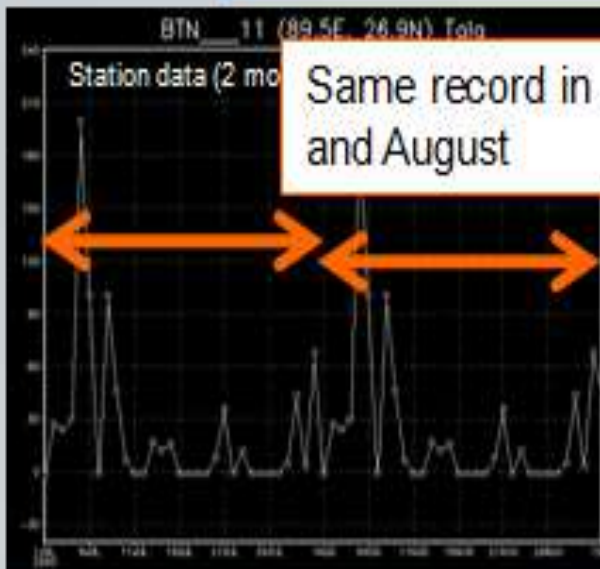


Values of 1.3 mm/day are repeated for 10 months

(c)



(b)



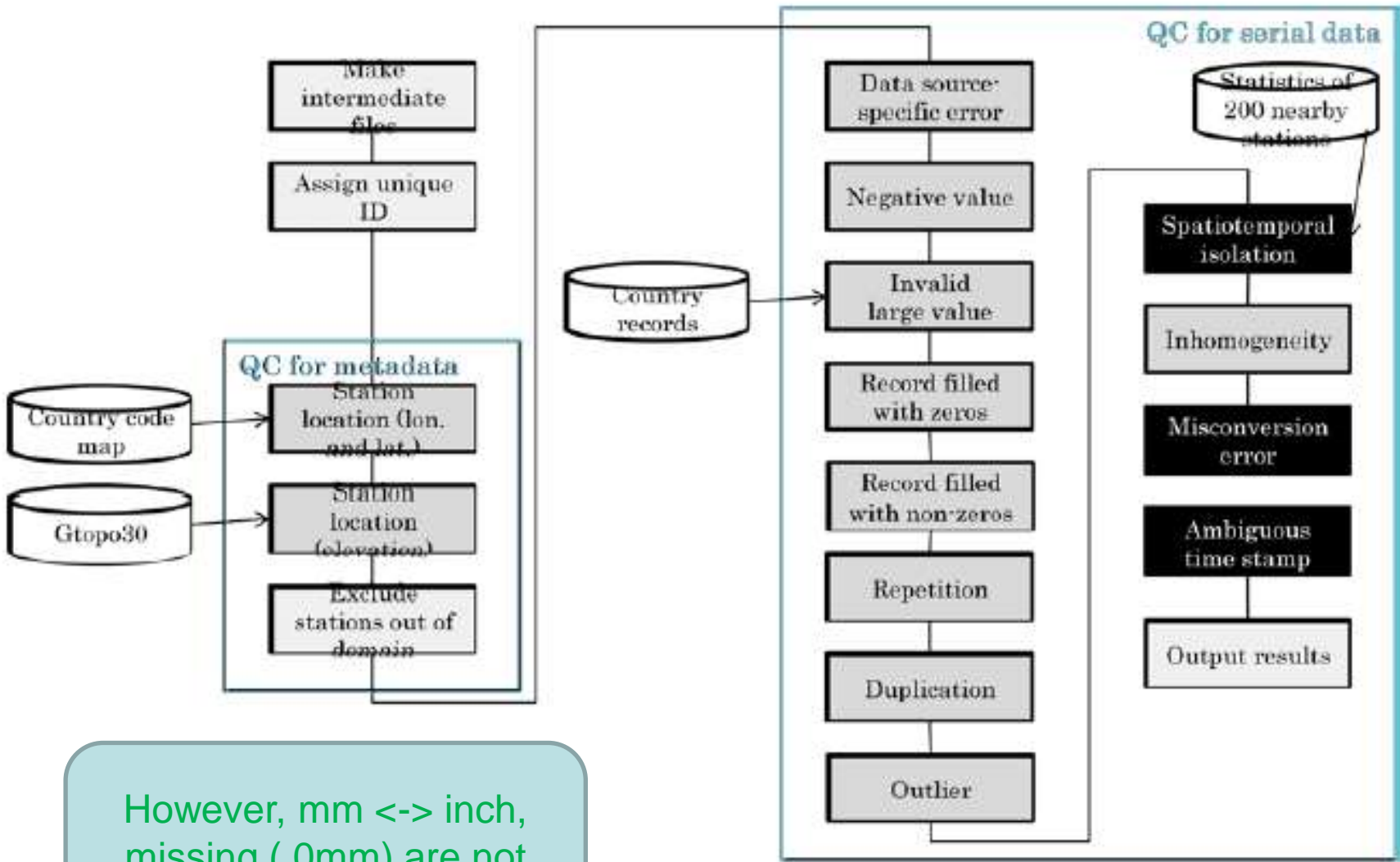
Same record in July and August



Temporally (and spatially) isolated, extremely large precipitation

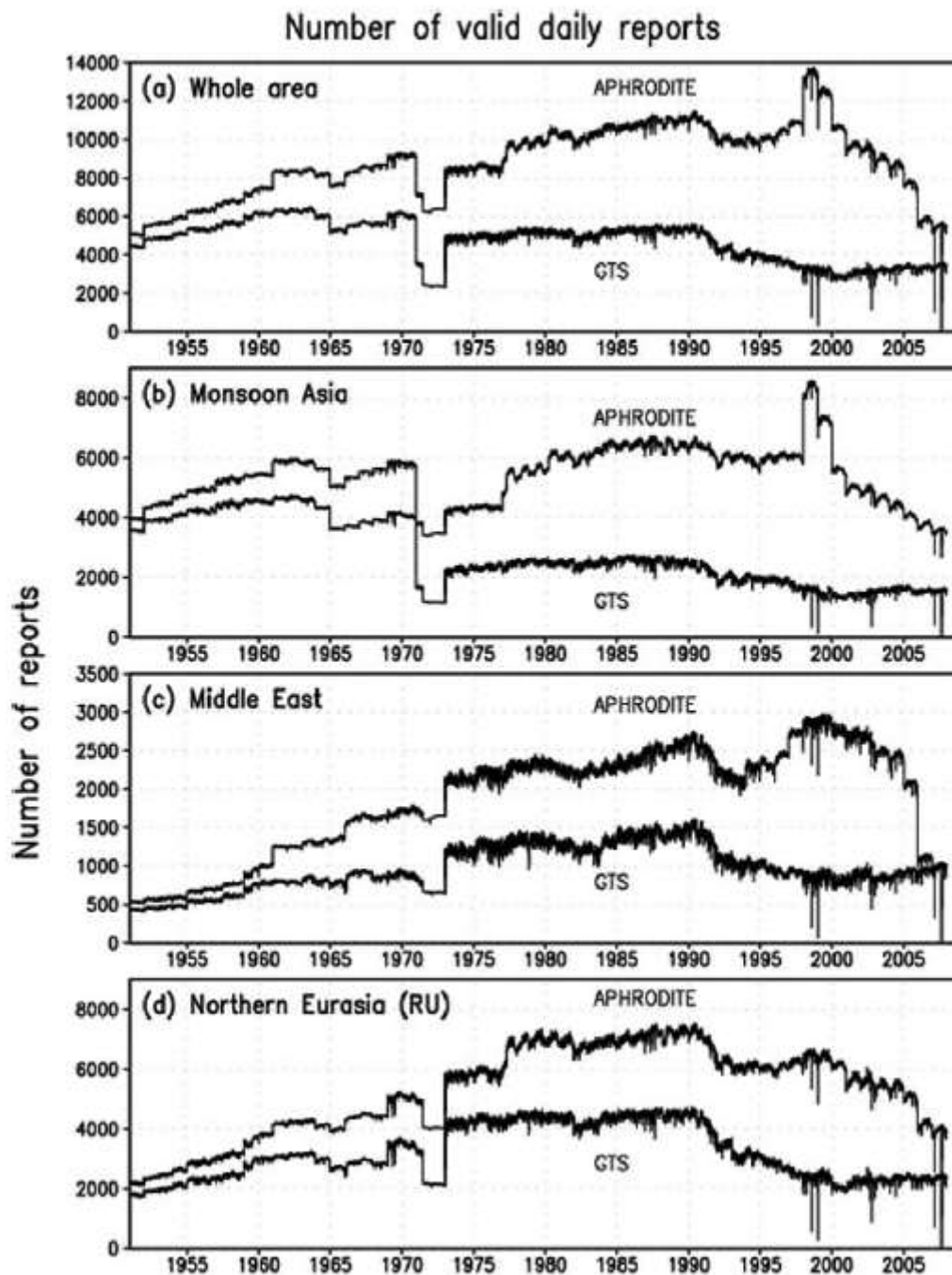
(b)

Quality Control



However, mm <-> inch, missing (0mm) are not completely repaired .

Number of
Input data for
APHRO
V1003R1 & V1101.



We used about 2.3 times
to 5.5 times data
compared to GTS network.

Trade-off Issues

- We used all data that passed our QC, because we decided to use the same scheme (including QC) throughout the period (even we got off-line data, we still used GTS-based data)
- GTS sometimes reports as “0 mm” for missing value, that is a cause of underestimation.
- 1-day shift is seen between two data sources. That affects smoothed PDF, but total value is OK.

(our algorithm is first designed for quantified daily data for hydro/agricultural purposes)

- A country used different 24-hr accumulation time (end-of-a-day) for synoptic network and climatological network. That makes extreme analyses difficult. => We may contribute to WMO observation guideline.

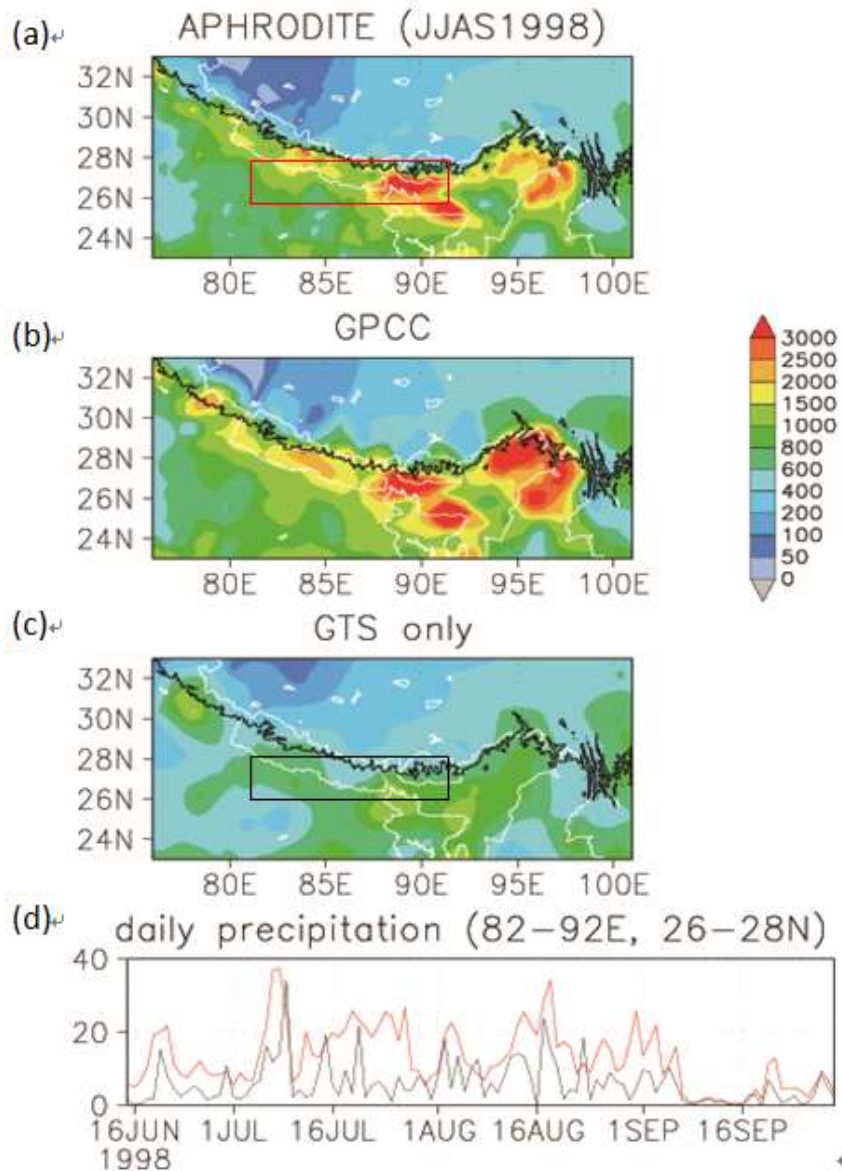


Figure 6: (a)-(c) June to September precipitation around the Himalayas (mm/4months). (a) APHRO_V1101, (b) GPCC full ver.4, and (c) simple interpolation result of GTS data by Shepard (1968). (d) Red: areal average (82-92E, 26-28N) of APHRO_V1101 daily precipitation, and Black: the same with Red but for interpolation of GTS data. Rectangles in (a) and (c) represent the domain to calculate the areal mean precipitation for (d).

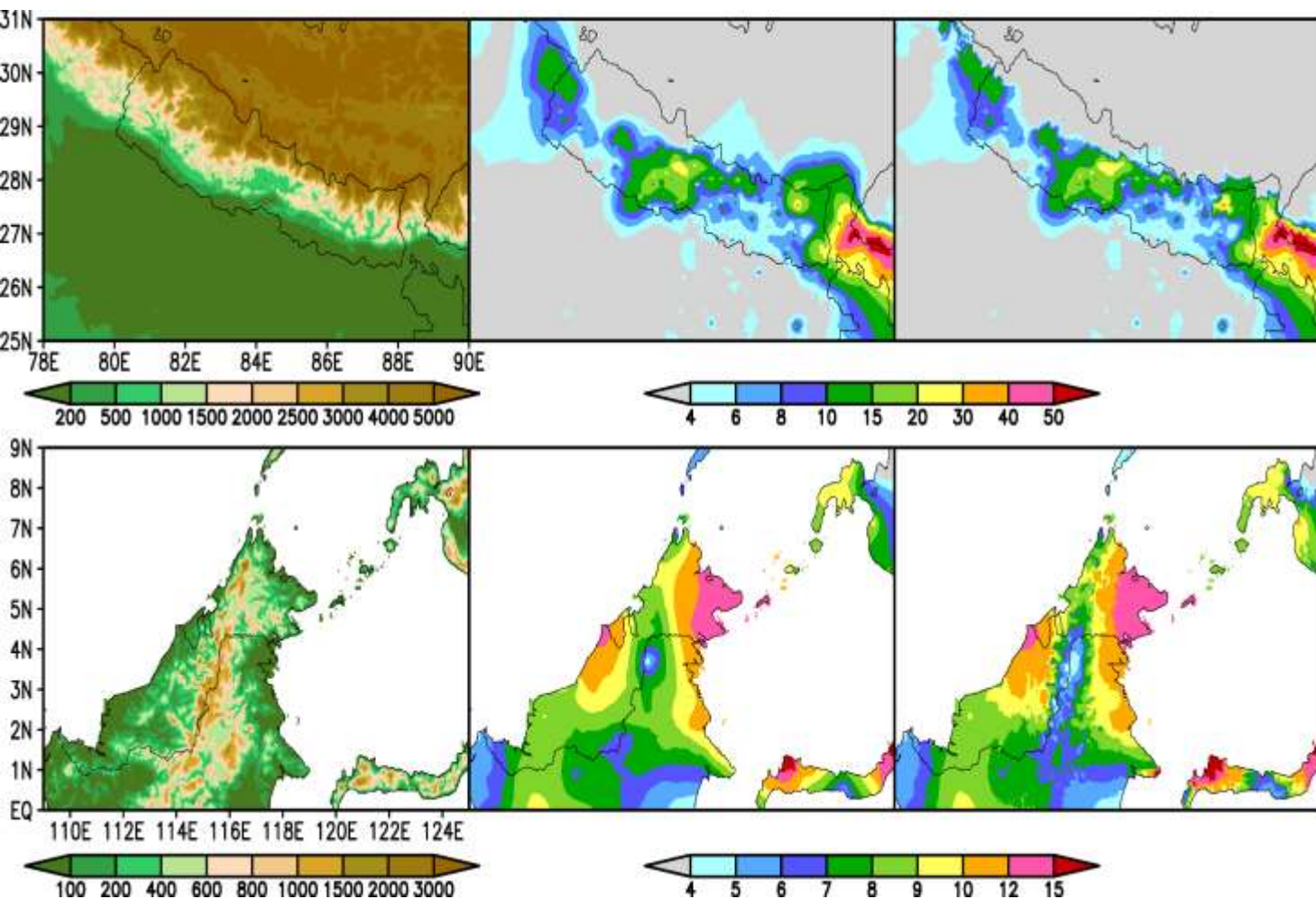


Figure 3: Effectiveness of new interpolation algorithm in Nepal (upper) and Kalimantan Is. (lower). Shown are topography (left) and mean daily precipitation without (middle) and with (right) considering local topography.

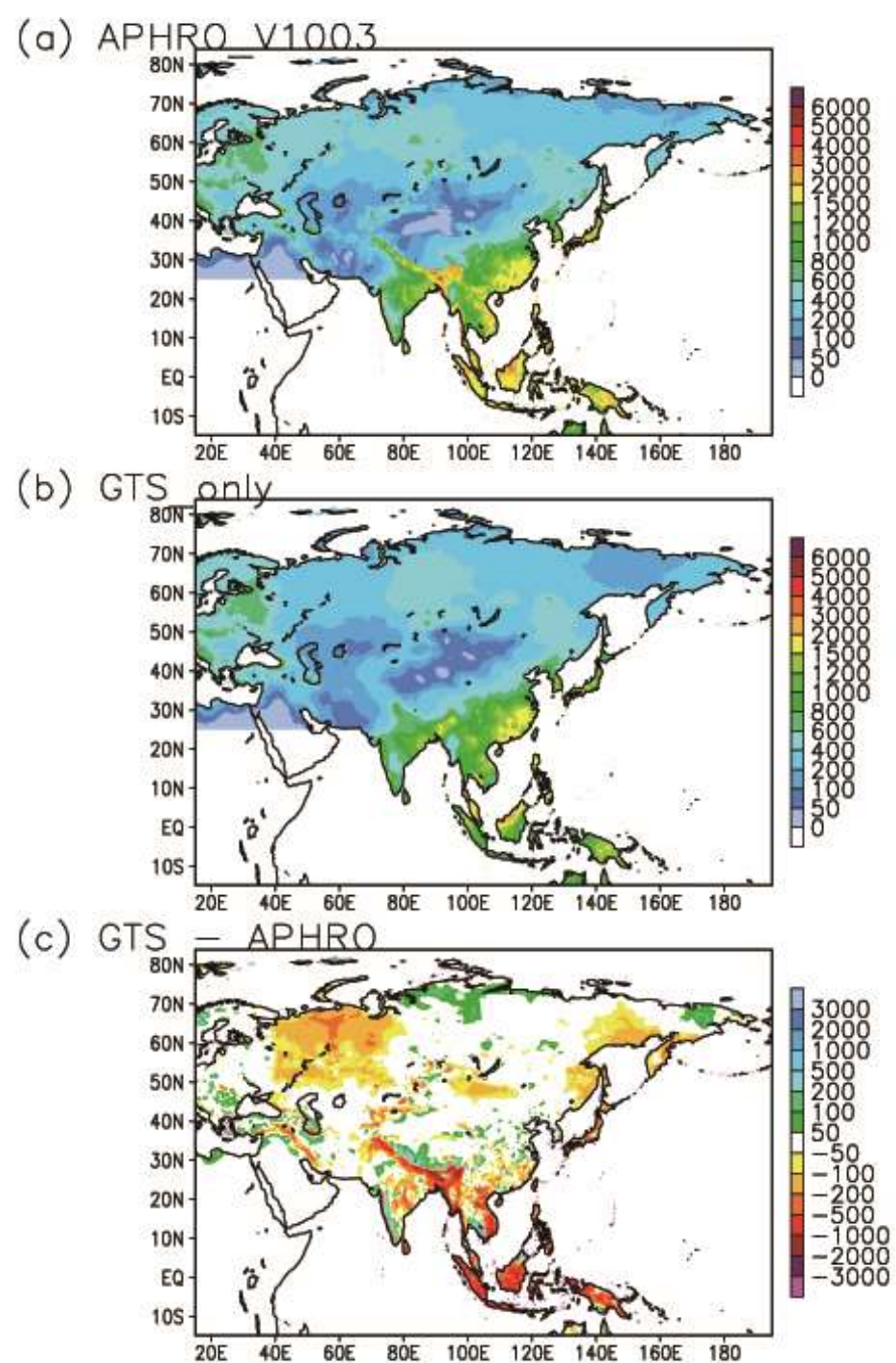


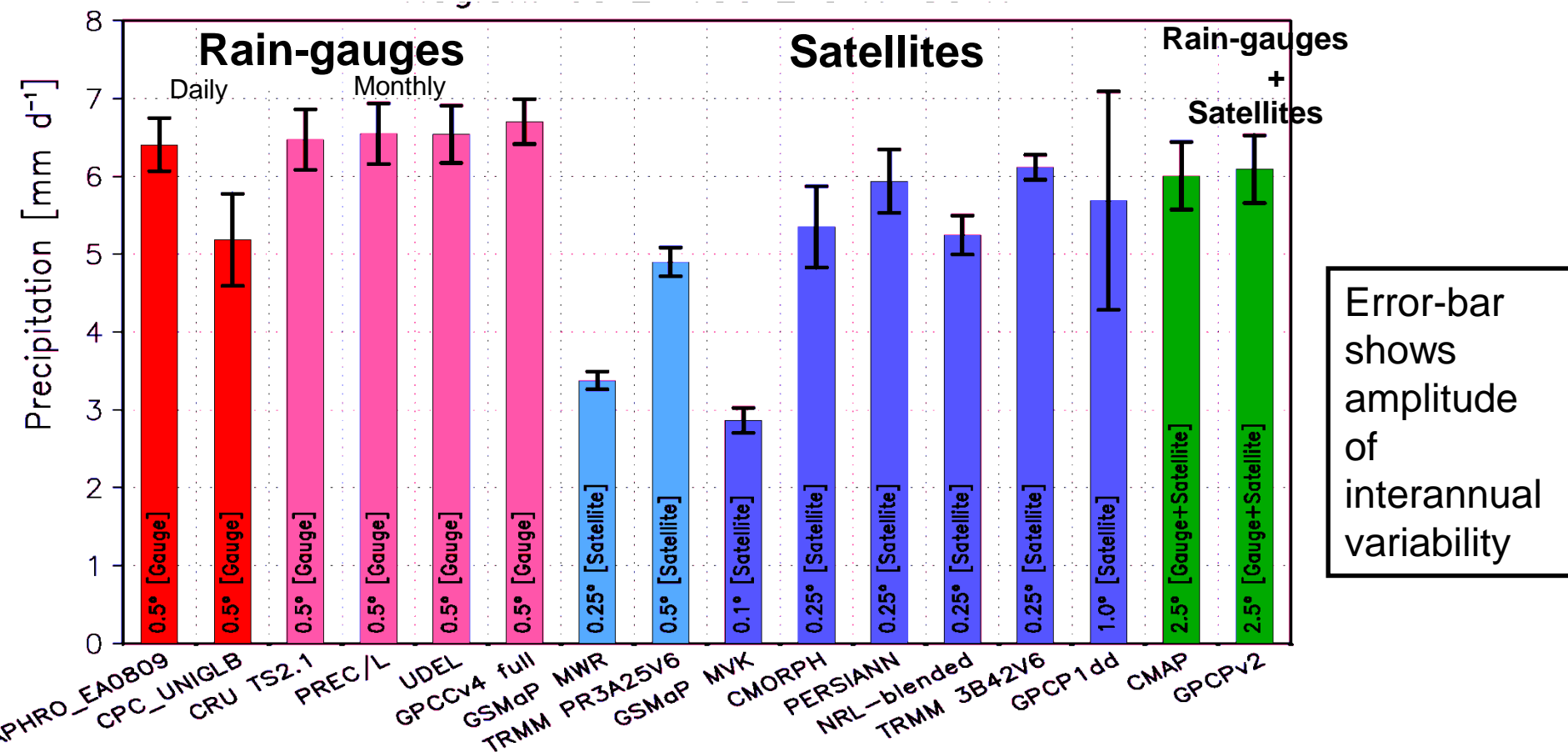
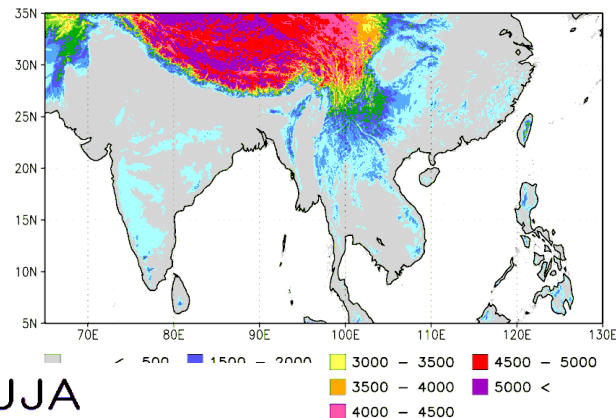
Figure 7: Mean annual precipitation for 1990–2007 (18 years). (a) 0.25° APHRO_V1003R1; (b) GTS data analysis employing an interpolation method similar to that used for (a). (c) Difference between (b) and (a).

Comparison with Satellite Products

The areal average precipitation datasets

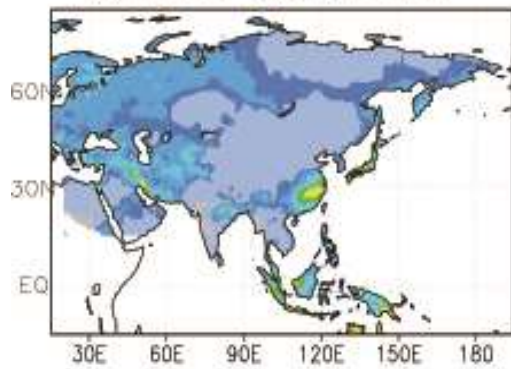
(Land; June, July and August)

Area averaged mean Prec. : JJA

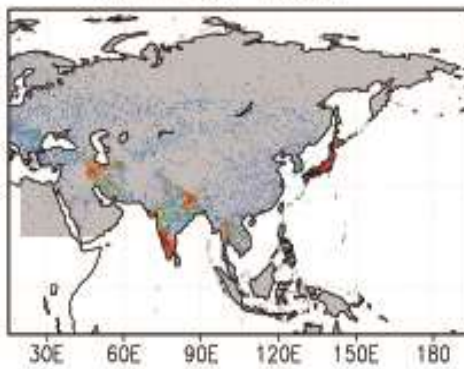


Error-bar shows amplitude of interannual variability

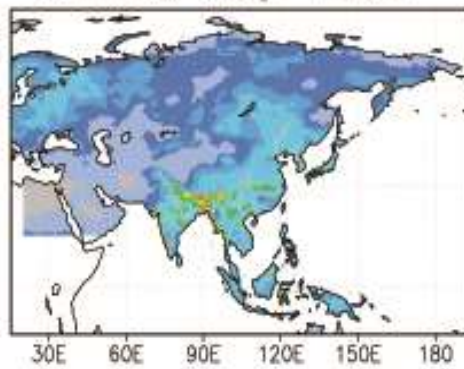
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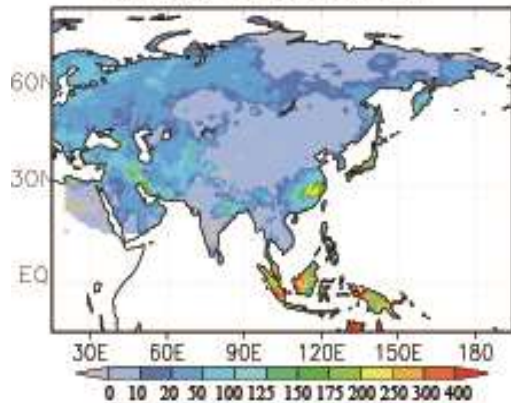
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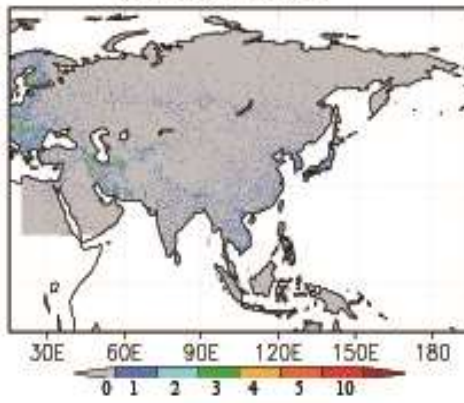
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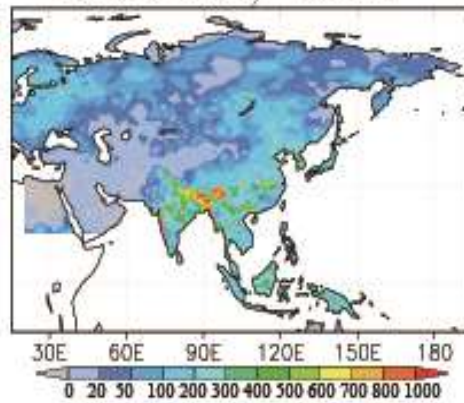
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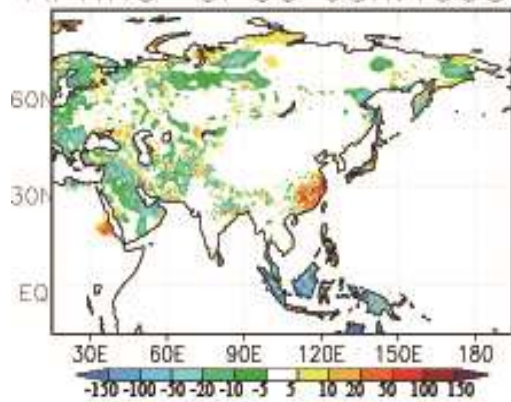
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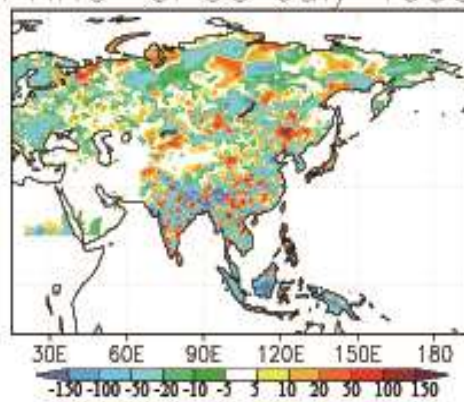
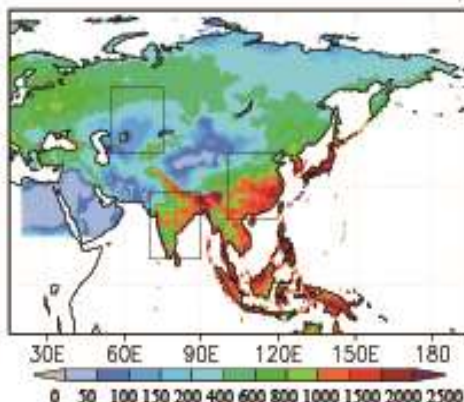
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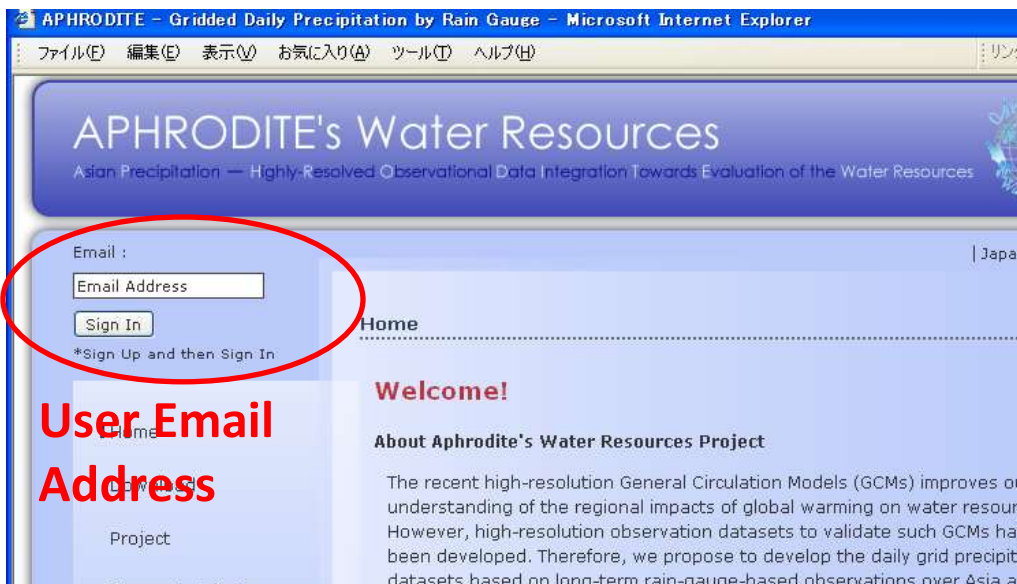
APHRO-GPCC Jan.1998



APHRO-GPCC July 1998



Release of APHRO Data



APHRODITE - Gridded Daily Precipitation by Rain Gauge - Microsoft Internet Explorer

APHRODITE's Water Resources
Asian Precipitation — Highly-Resolved Observational Data Integration Towards Evaluation of the Water Resources

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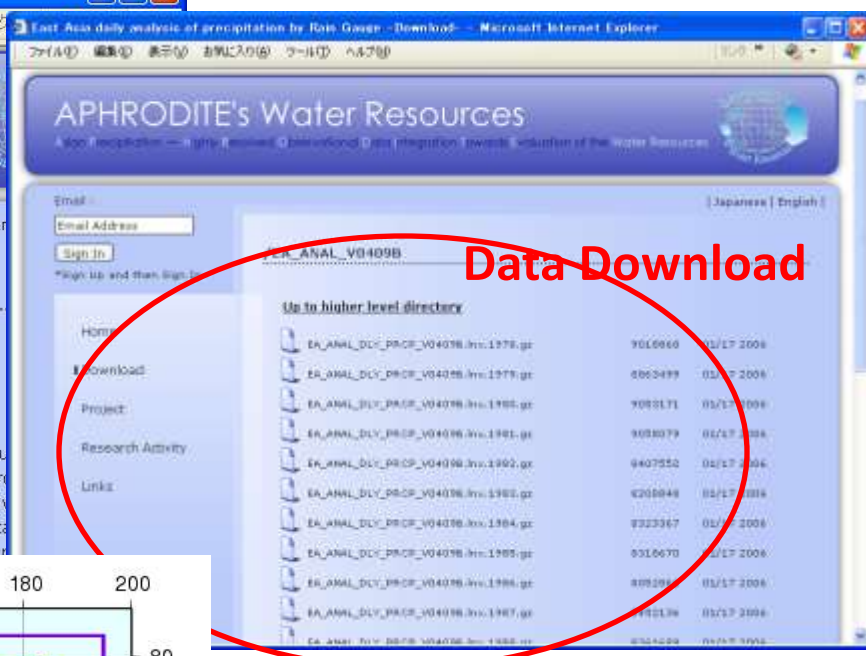
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About Aphrodite's Water Resources Project

The recent high-resolution General Circulation Models (GCMs) improves our understanding of the regional impacts of global warming on water resources. However, high-resolution observation datasets to validate such GCMs have been developed. Therefore, we propose to develop the daily grid precipitation datasets based on long-term rain-gauge-based observations over Asia.

User Email Address



APHRODITE's Water Resources

East Asia daily analysis of precipitation by Rain Gauge - Download - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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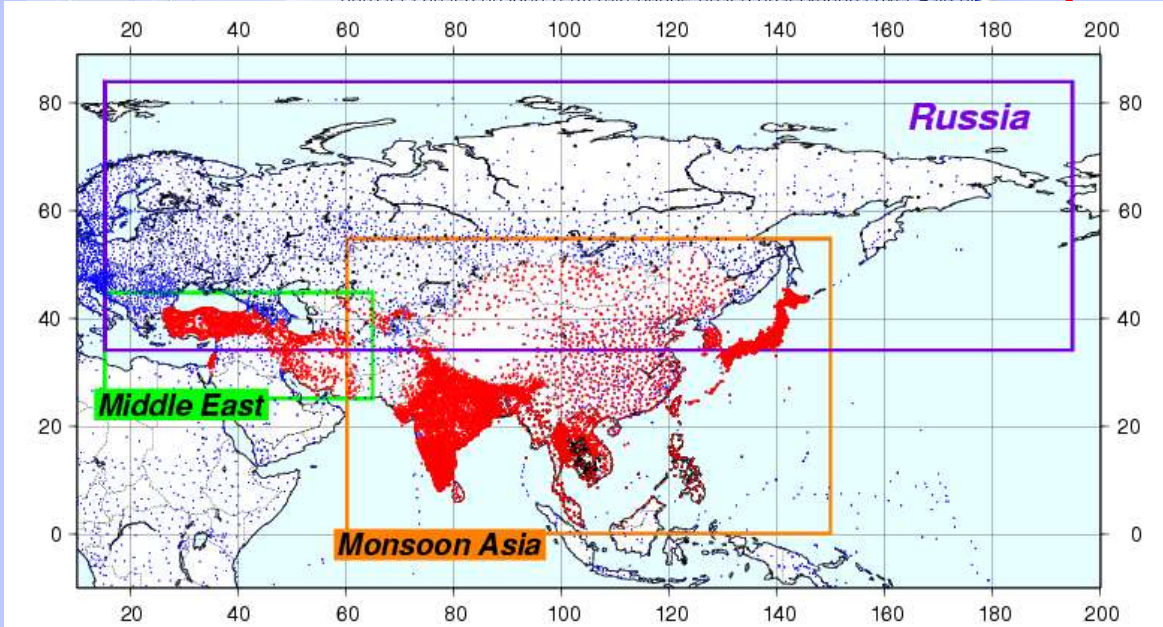
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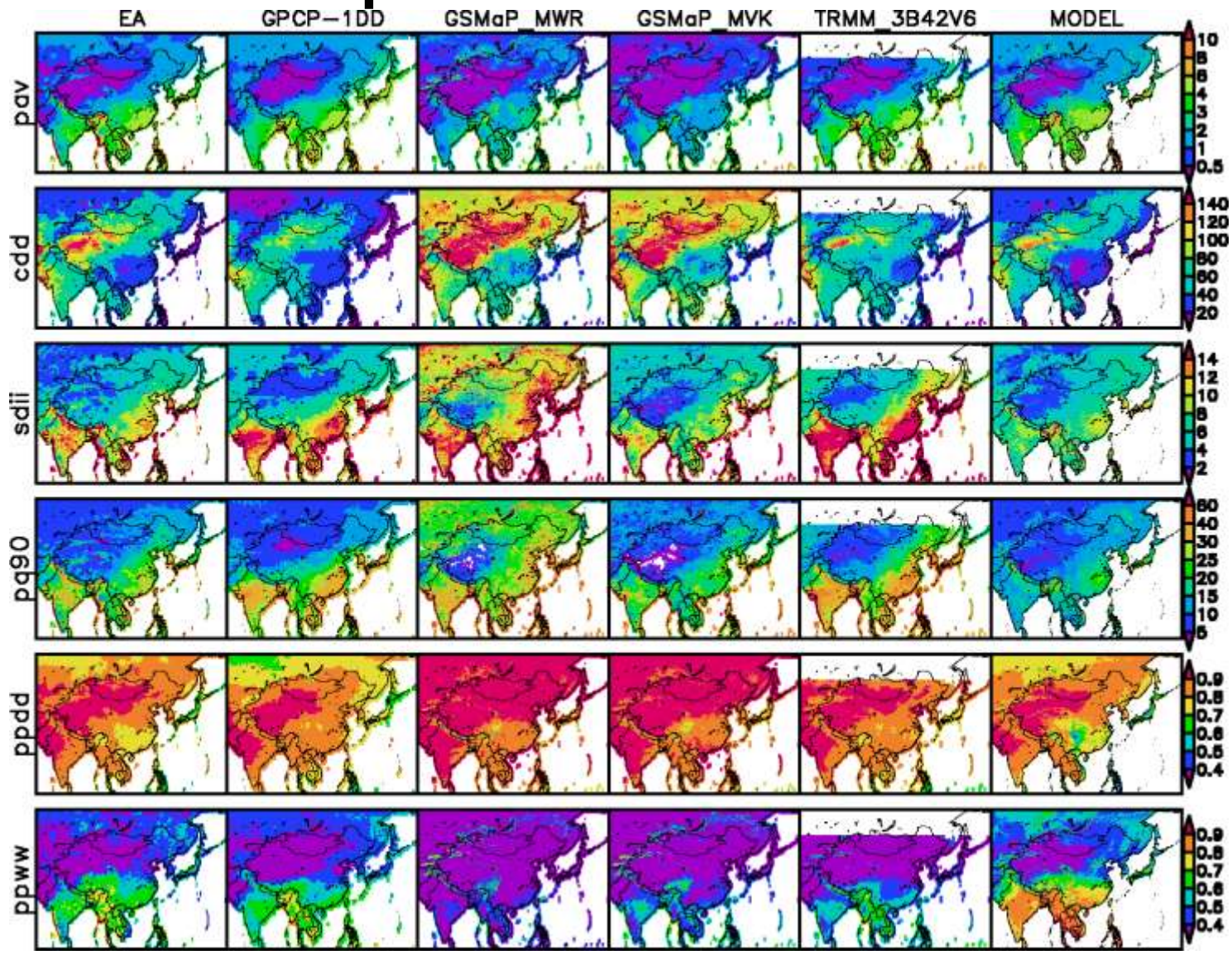


We released V1101 last year, and released temperature products (MA).

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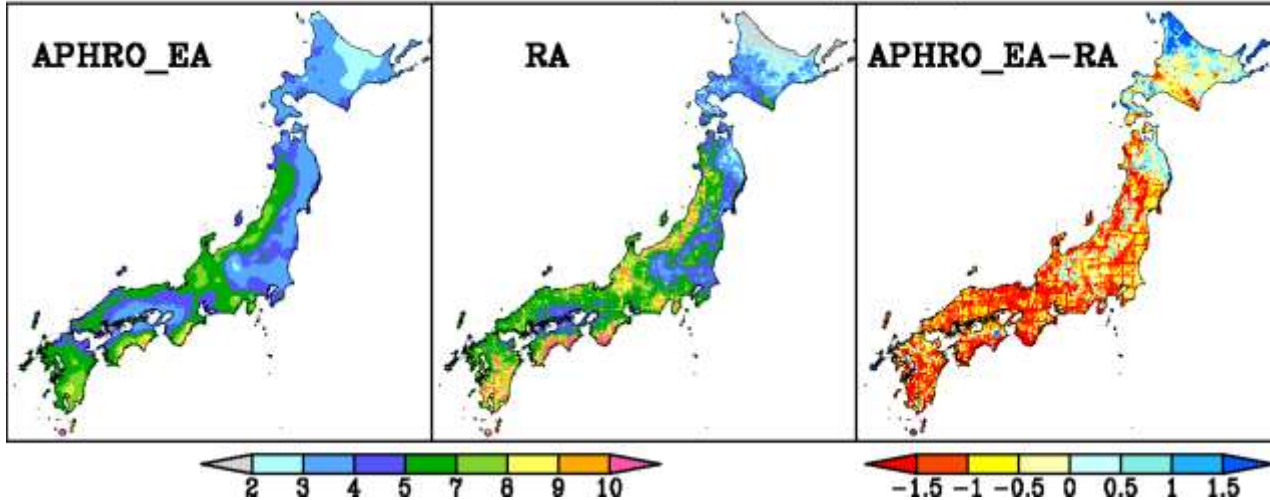
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Intercomparison with other data

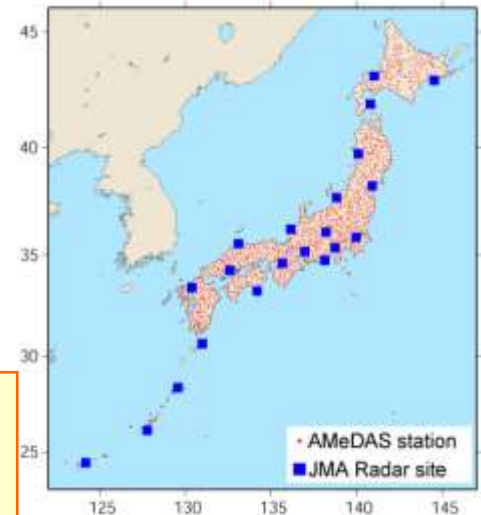


Comparison between APHRO_EA and Radar AMeDAS in Japan

Annual Mean Precipitation (mm/d)



AMeDAS rain stations and Radar stations



- RA shows larger values than that of EA for most part, except for the Northeastern part of Hokkaido prefecture. ,

RA shows 16.6% larger value of EA in average

- EA shows closer distribution to JMA Mesh climatology than RA

APHRO is better?

We developed 1km mesh data over Japan (APHRO_JP)

Kamiguchi et al. (2010)

Development of APHRO_JP, the first Japanese high-resolution daily precipitation product for more than 100 years

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- We constructed historical (1900-) high-resolution (0.05x0.05 degree) daily precipitation data over Japanese land area.
- The product can be used for statistical analysis of heavy precipitation up to about 150 mm/day, over a long term period (≥ 100 years). APHRO_JP enables diverse research, including validation of meso-scale models and analysis of the longterm extreme precipitation trend in Japan.

60 stable stations/1000 AMeDAS stations

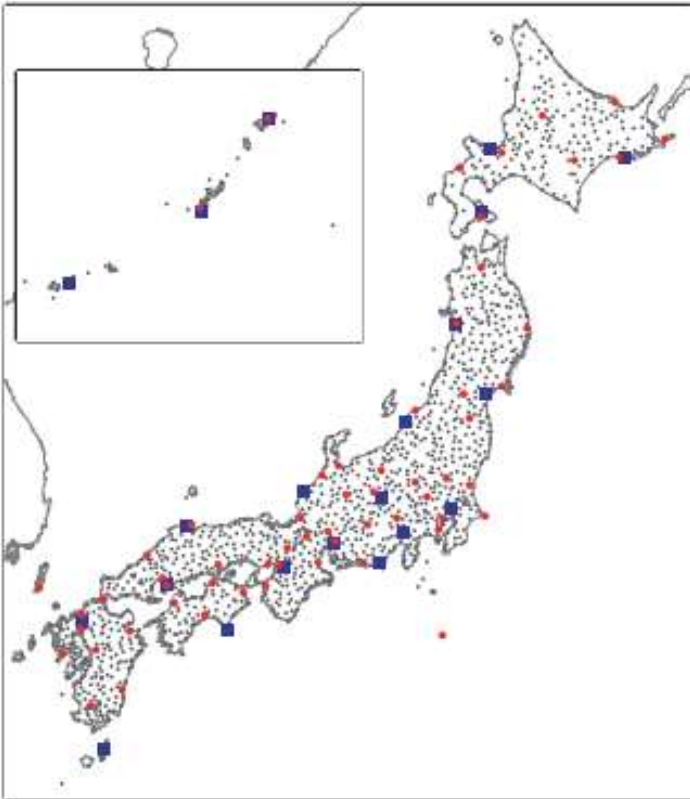


Figure 1. Location of rain gauge and JMA-Radar sites (blue square). Black dots are AMeDAS rain gauges deployed after 1977, whereas red dots show JMA surface observatory rain gauge which have existed since 1900.

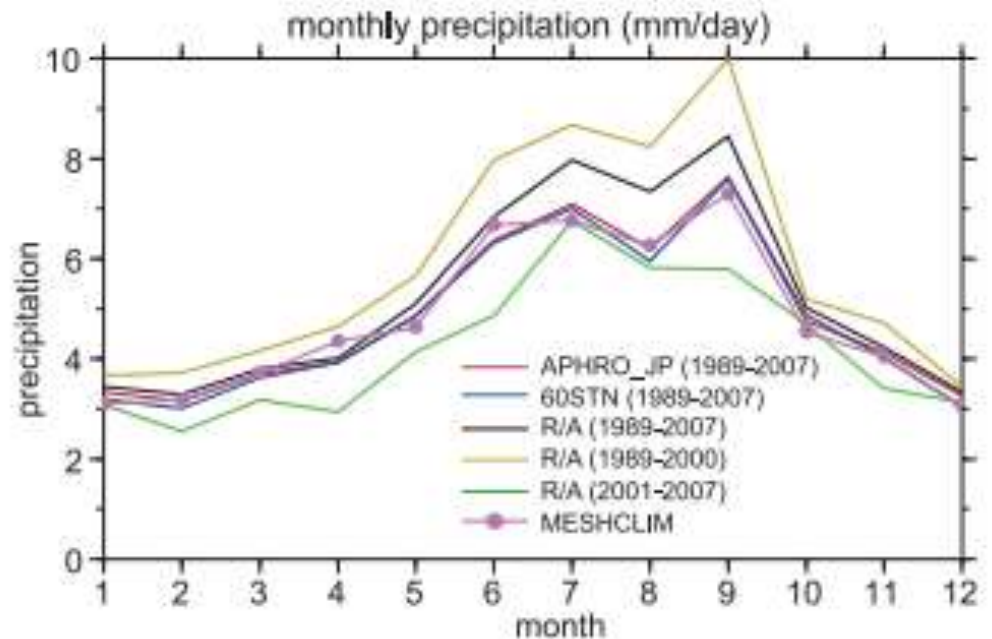


Figure 3. Mean monthly precipitation over Japanese land area (mm/day).

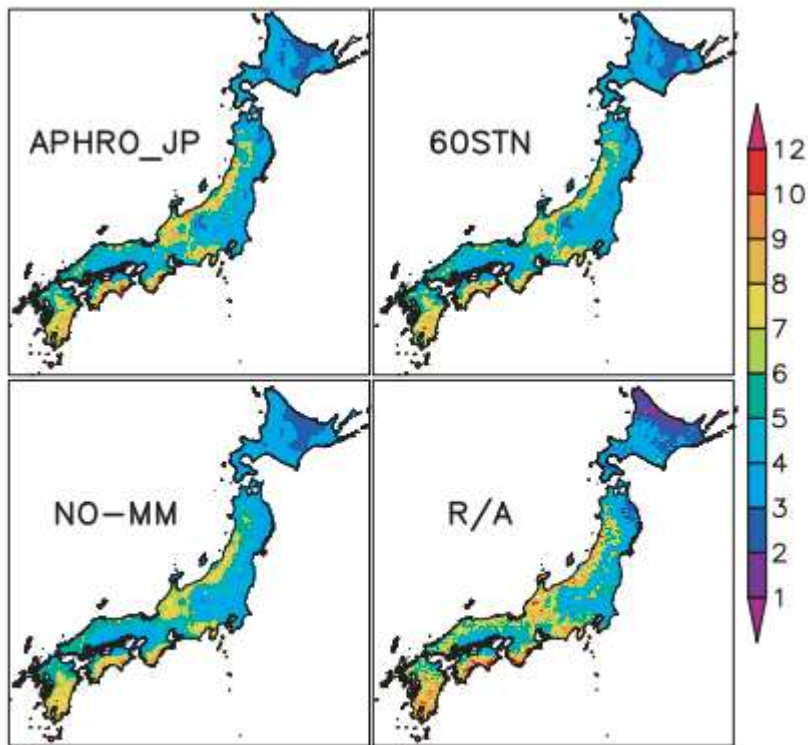


Figure 4. Annual mean precipitation (mm/day) from 1989 to 2007.

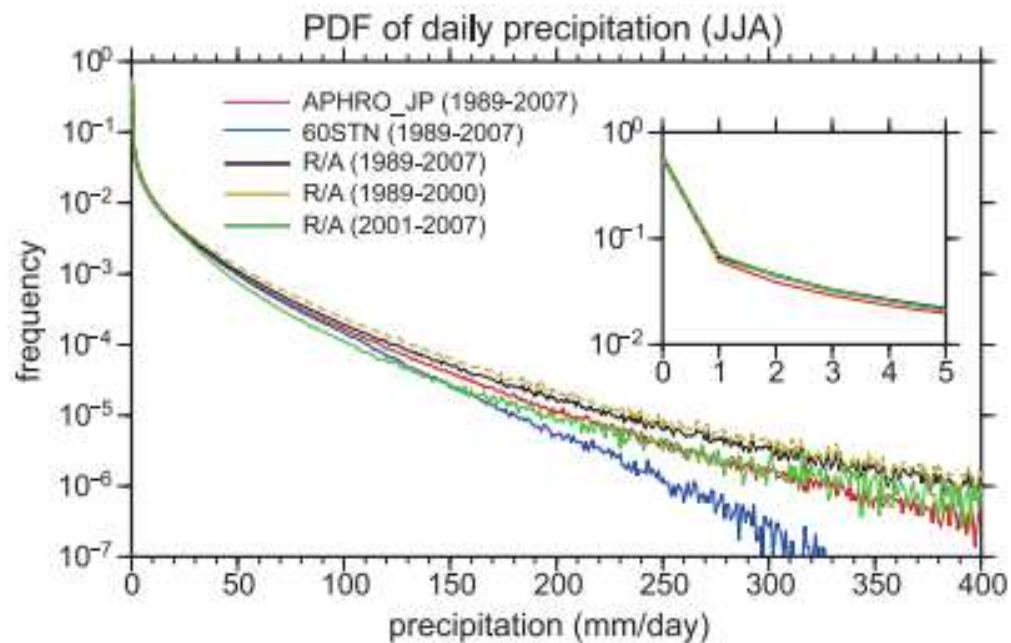


Figure 5. Probability distribution function of daily precipitation.

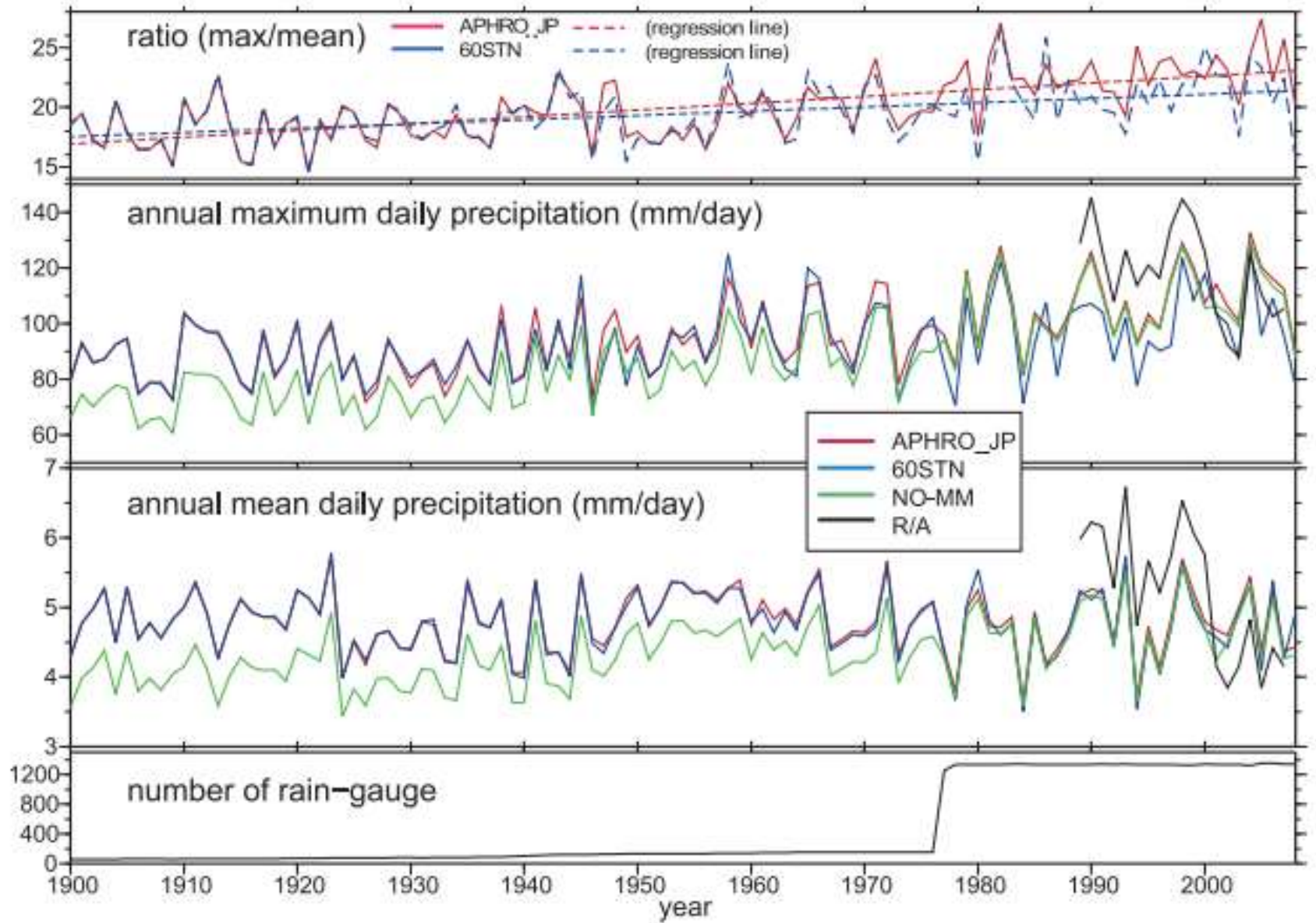
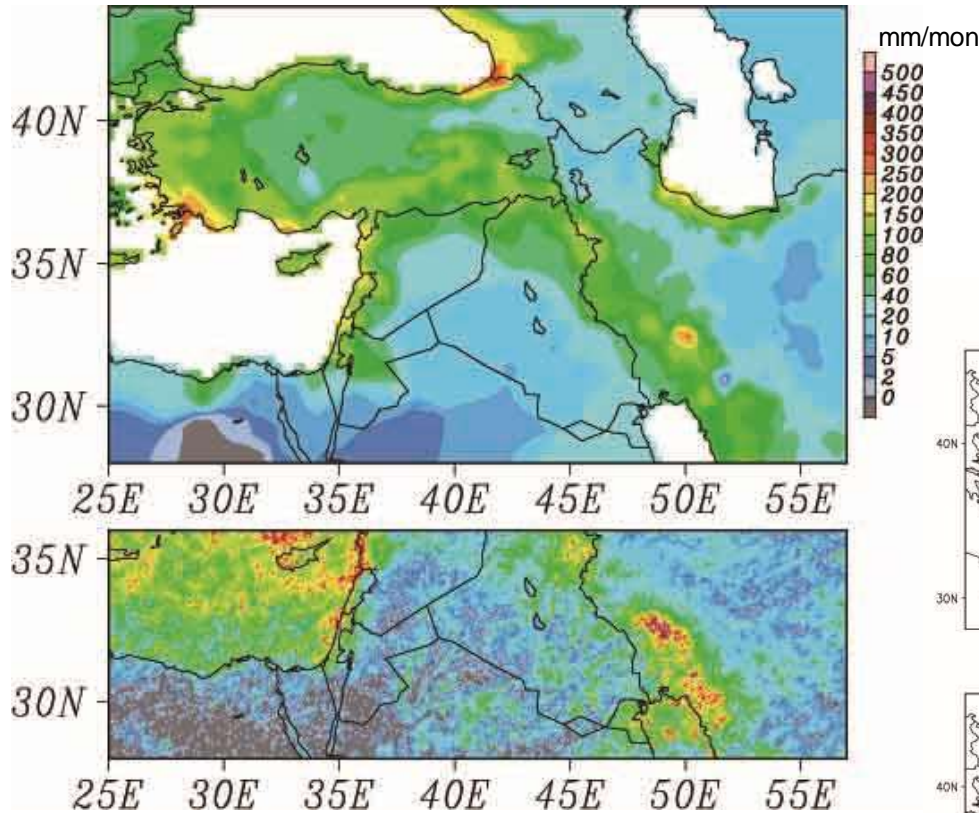


Figure 2. Historical changes in the number of available rain gauges (bottom), annual mean and maximum daily precipitation (middle), and the ratio of annual maximum daily precipitation to annual mean daily precipitation (top).

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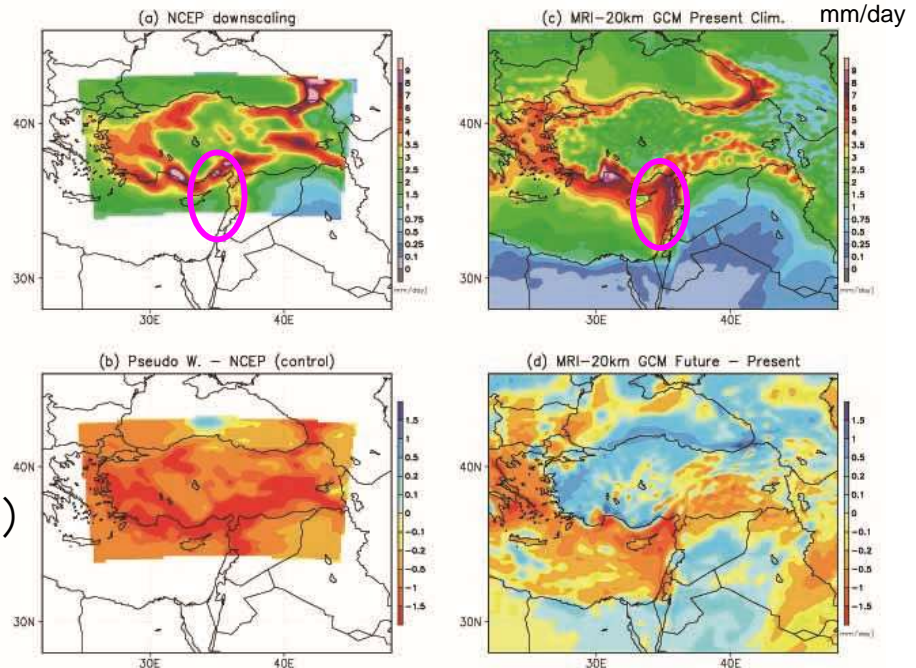
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Middle East version and model validation



Rain gauge-based climatology(upper)
TRMM/PR composite (lower)
For December

Monthly Precipitation Difference 12 (dec)

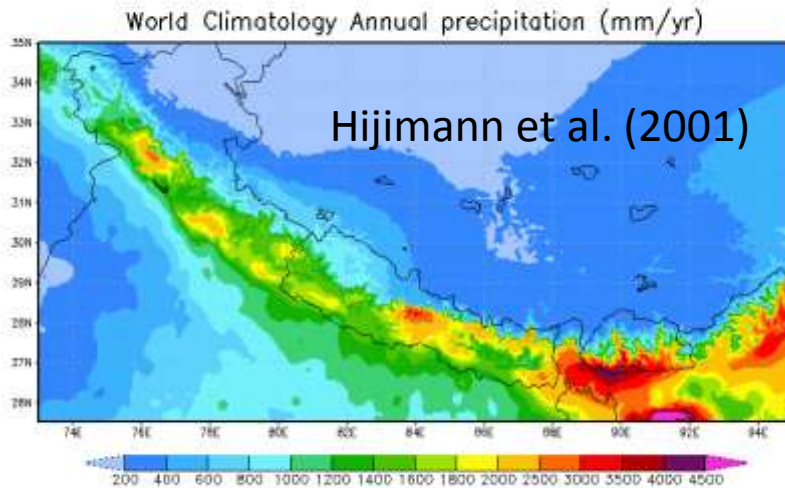


Yatagai, Kimura, Kitoh, Watanabe (2006)

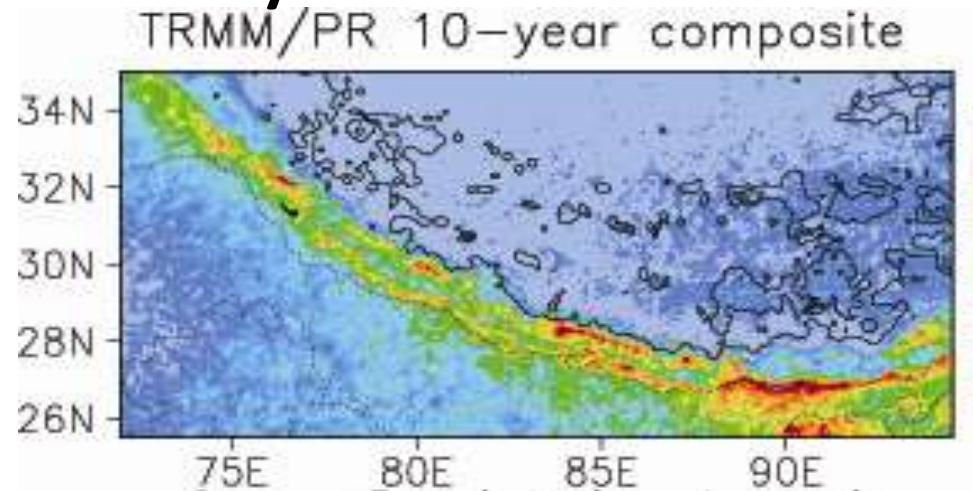
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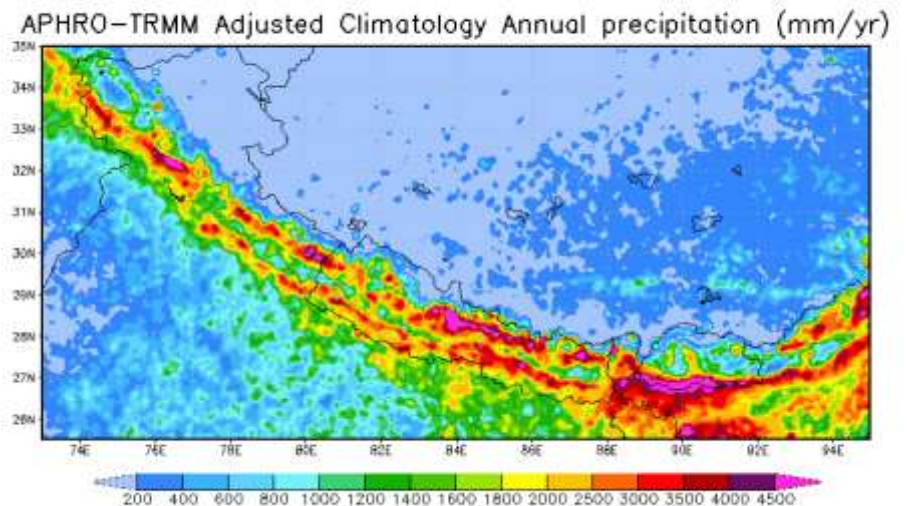
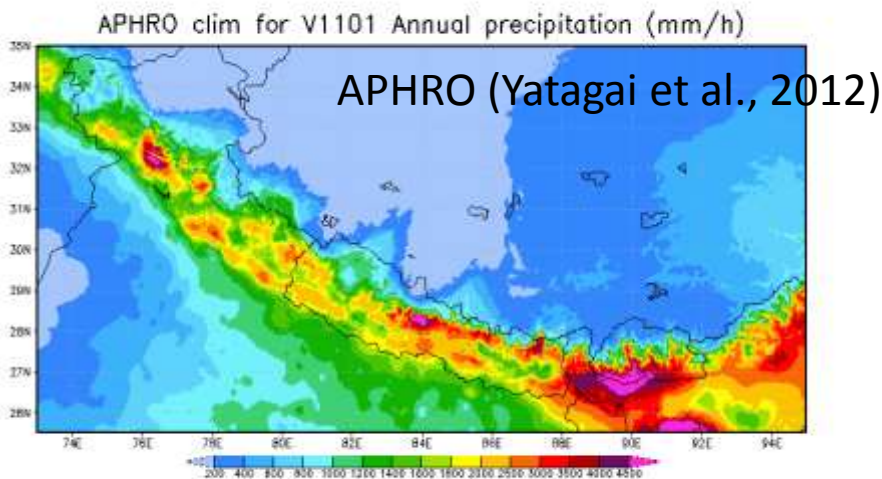
Improving climatology over the Himalayas



(mm/yr)



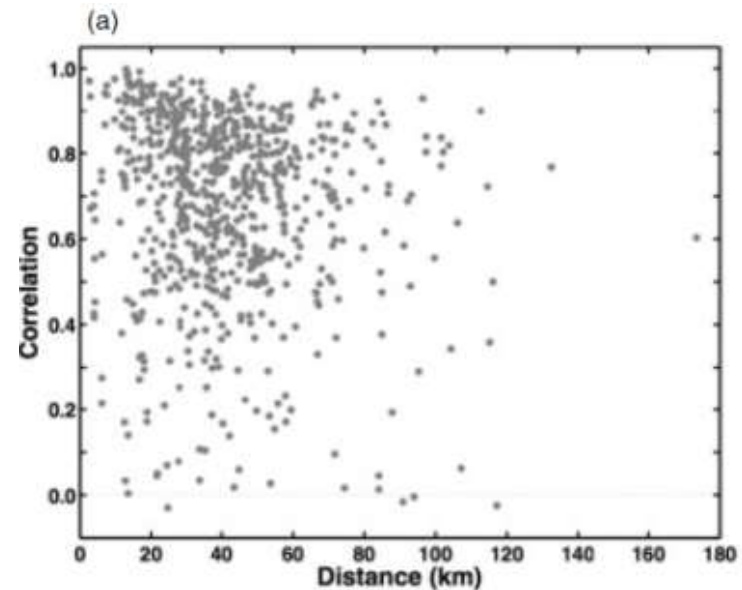
(Yatagai and Kawamoto, 2008)



Further analysis for station network density

- Spatial Correlation (network density) – study
 - Following Xie et al. (2007), a cross validation of the interpolation technique used in APHRODITE daily precipitation was conducted.
 - 1) China
 - 2) Monsoon Asia

This strategy may answer the old WMO technical report statistics like..
“How many station data is necessary to make 5x5 degree monthly precipitation?”



Recommendations & requests

- Make a network of exchange QC information
- We collect user's email information (by GCOS guideline), but recently security issues happened.
- Clarify the strategy of this community
 - Station extreme?
(if you want to use APHRODITE for this purpose please contact me!)
 - Hydrological extreme?

Recommendation & requests

<For users>

- Pay attention to NOG or RSTN
 - For trend analysis
 - For satellite comparison (error estimation!)
- ⇒ Only use grid boxes with raingauges

<For WMO/CCI or others>

- Clarify 24-hr accumulation time
- Educate for reporting “missing values”
- Let’s renew idealized observation network density for extreme events! (at least daily precipitation)
 - that can be possible for data holders and researchers with enough analysis techniques.



Thank You 

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