

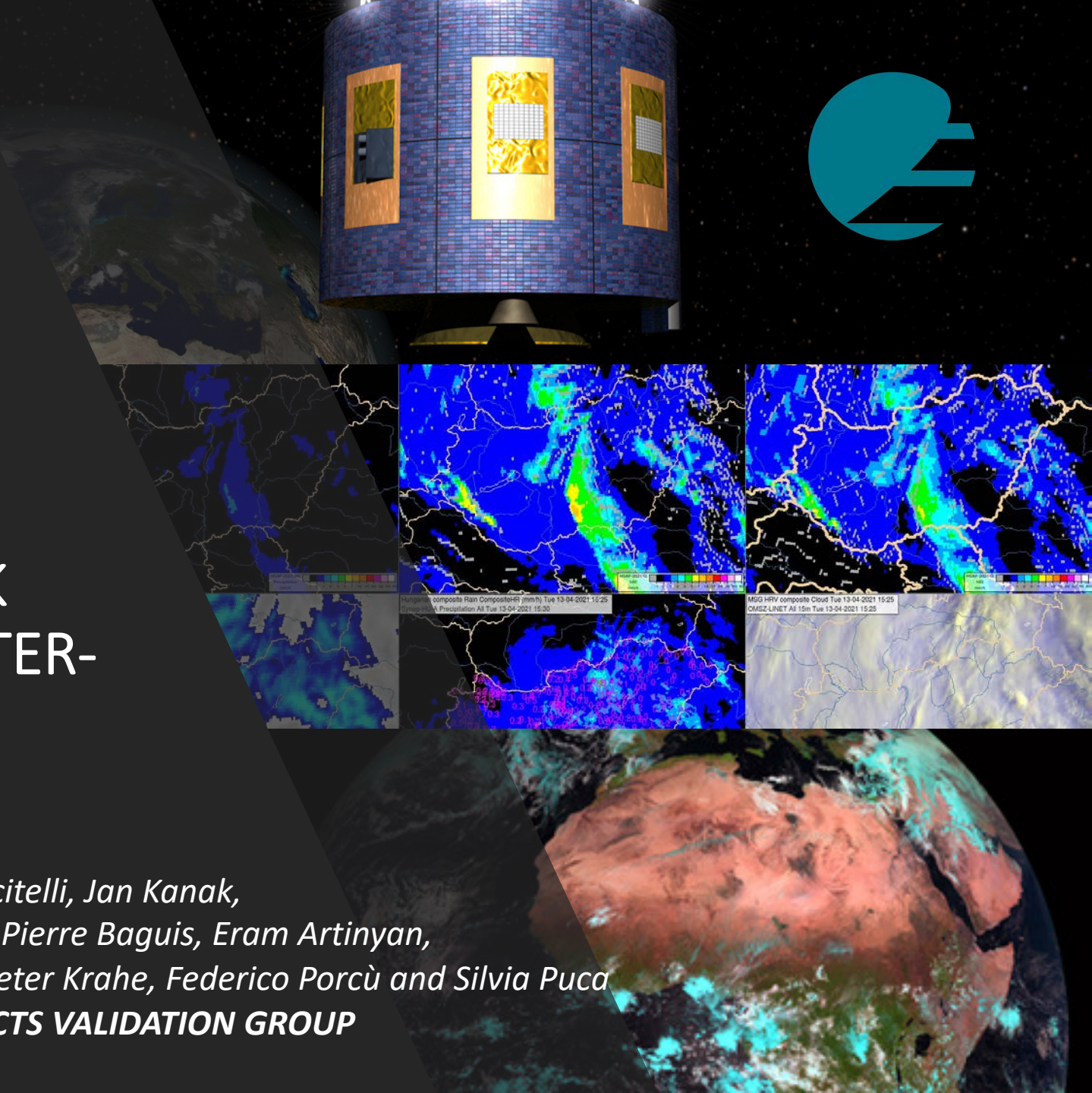
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SEVIRI-BASED H SAF PRODUCTS FOR NEAR REAL TIME PRECIPITATION ESTIMATES OVER FULL DISK AREA: VALIDATION AND INTER- COMPARISON ANALYSIS



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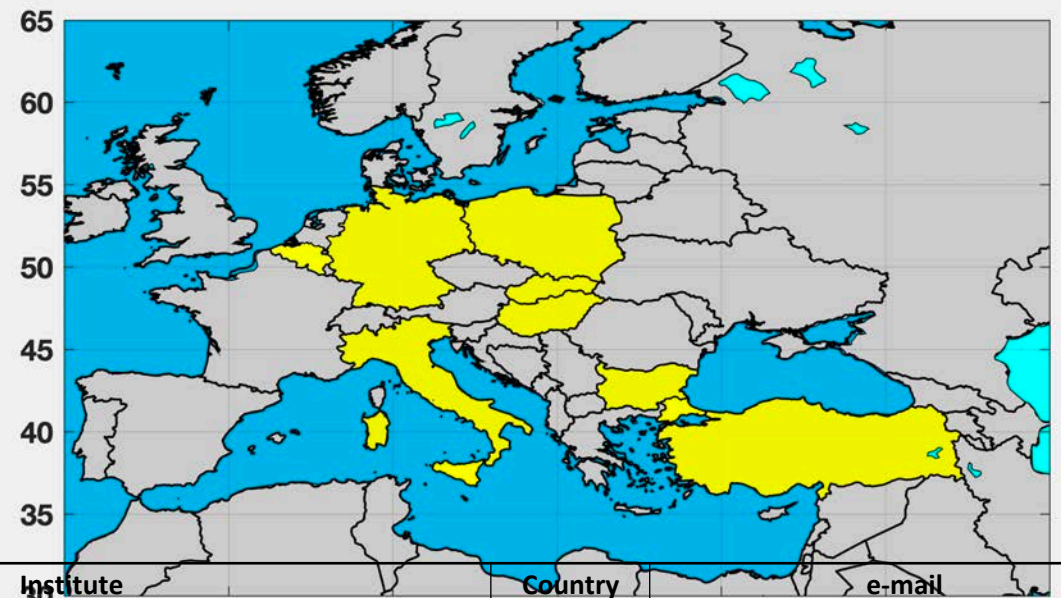
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Precipitation Product Validation Group (PPVG)

The **PPVG** is composed of experts from the National Meteorological and Hydrological Institutes of **8 European countries**.

Quality-checked ground data are used for quality assessment of precipitation products, following the same methodology.



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Belgium	RMI
Bulgaria	NIMH
Germany	BfG
Hungary	OMSZ
Italy	DPC, UniBo
Poland	IMWM
Slovakia	SHMU
Turkey	ITU, METU, TSMS

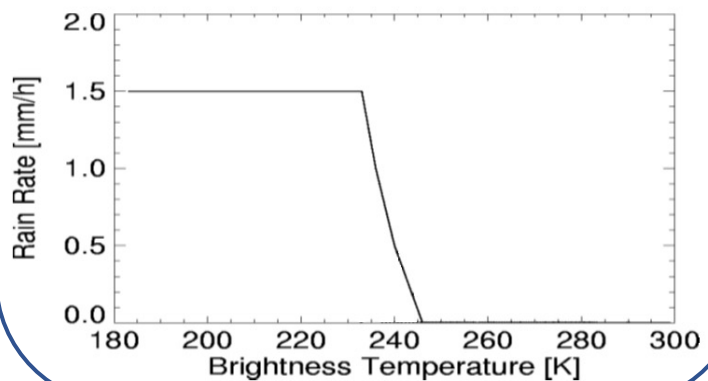
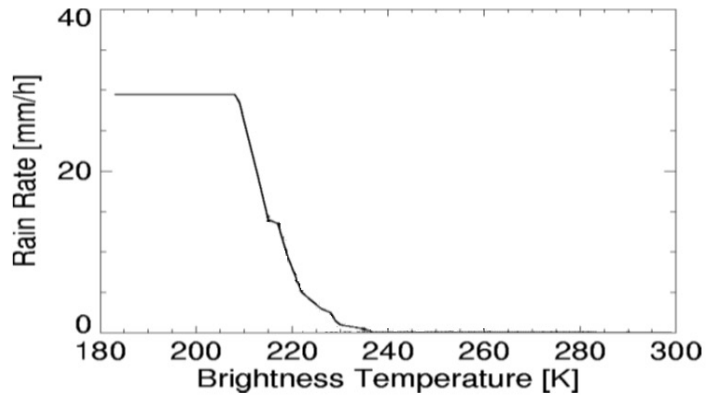
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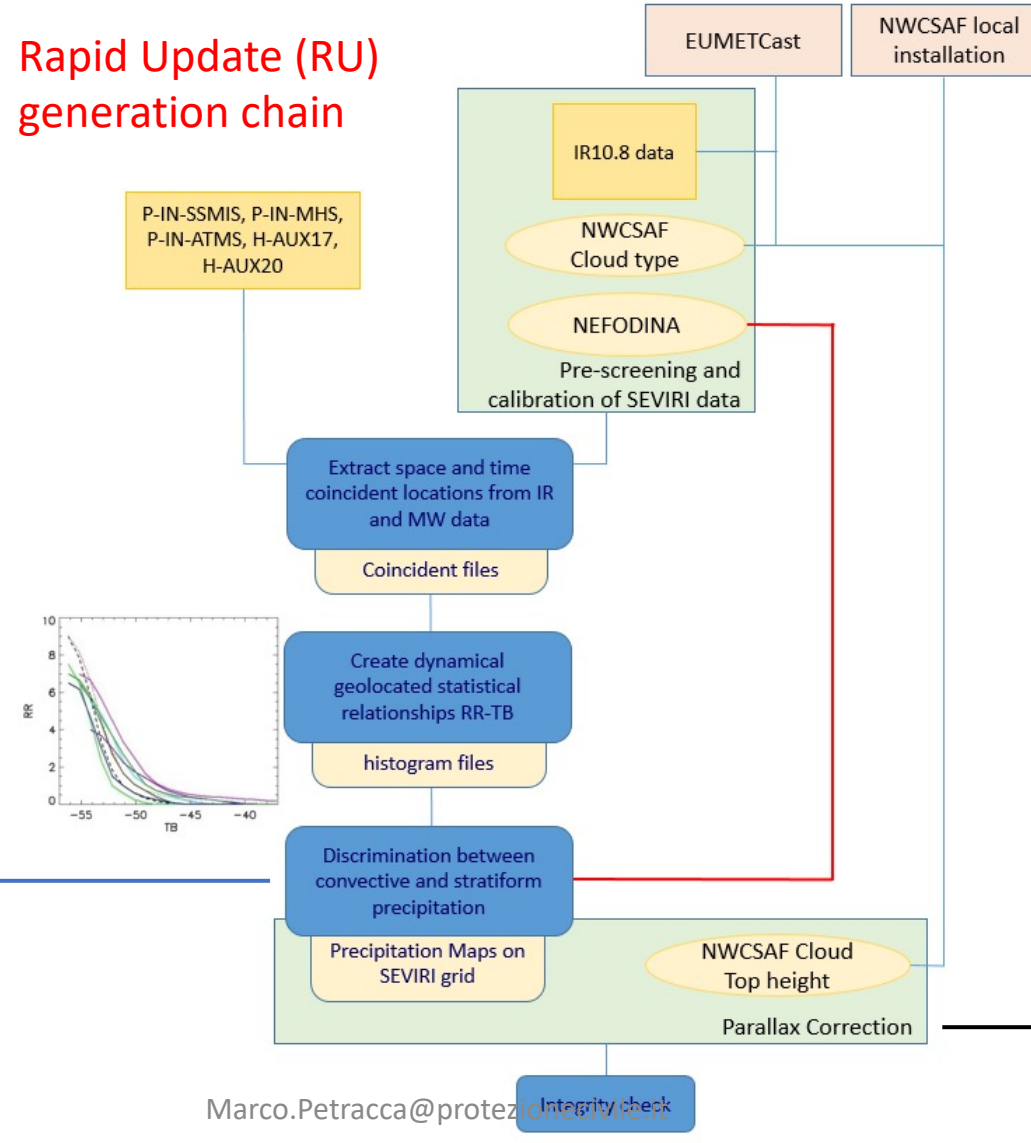
H SAF SEVIRI-based products

Instantaneous rain rate retrieval algorithm

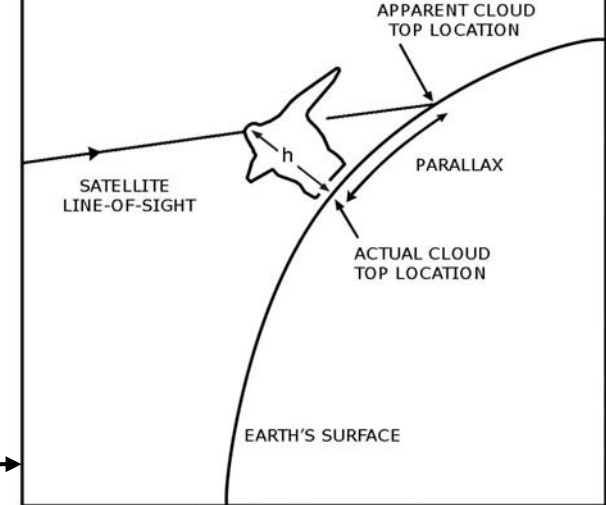
Rain rate vs brightness temperature:
typical averaged relationships
for convective (above)
and frontal (below) precipitation



Rapid Update (RU) generation chain



Parallax shift concept illustration (Radová and Seidl, 2008)



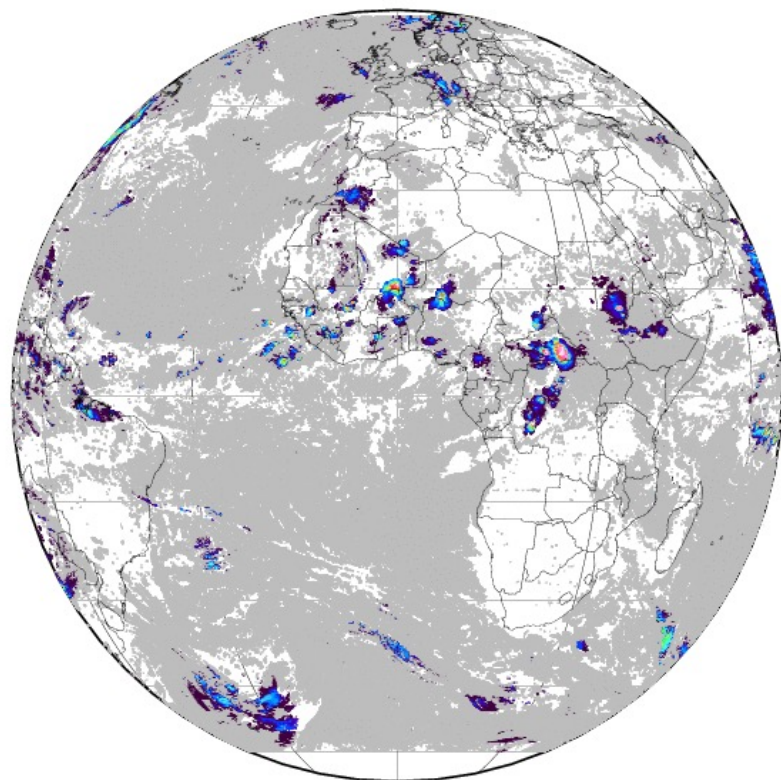
H60 (P-IN-SEVIRI-PMW) and H63 (P-IN-SEVIRI_E) products

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Precipitation rate at ground by GEO/IR supported by LEO/MW

Instantaneous Rain Rate retrieved from IR-MW blending data

Blending of: SEVIRI IR + SSM/I-SSMIS MW + AMSU MW: 20210711 0000

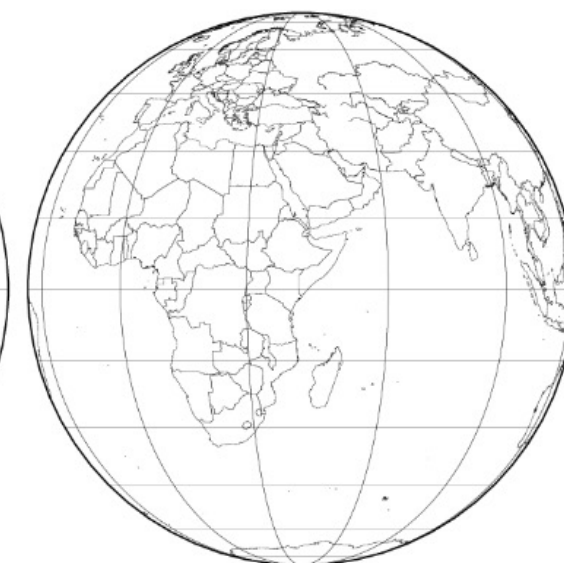


Main features	
Coverage	MSG Full-disk area
Cycle	15 minutes
Spatial Resolution	3 Km s.s.p. ~8 km over Europe
Timeliness	Within 5 minutes from the end of acquisition
Dissemination	EUMETCast and HSAF (*)
Formats	NetCDF

H60 and H63 's domain



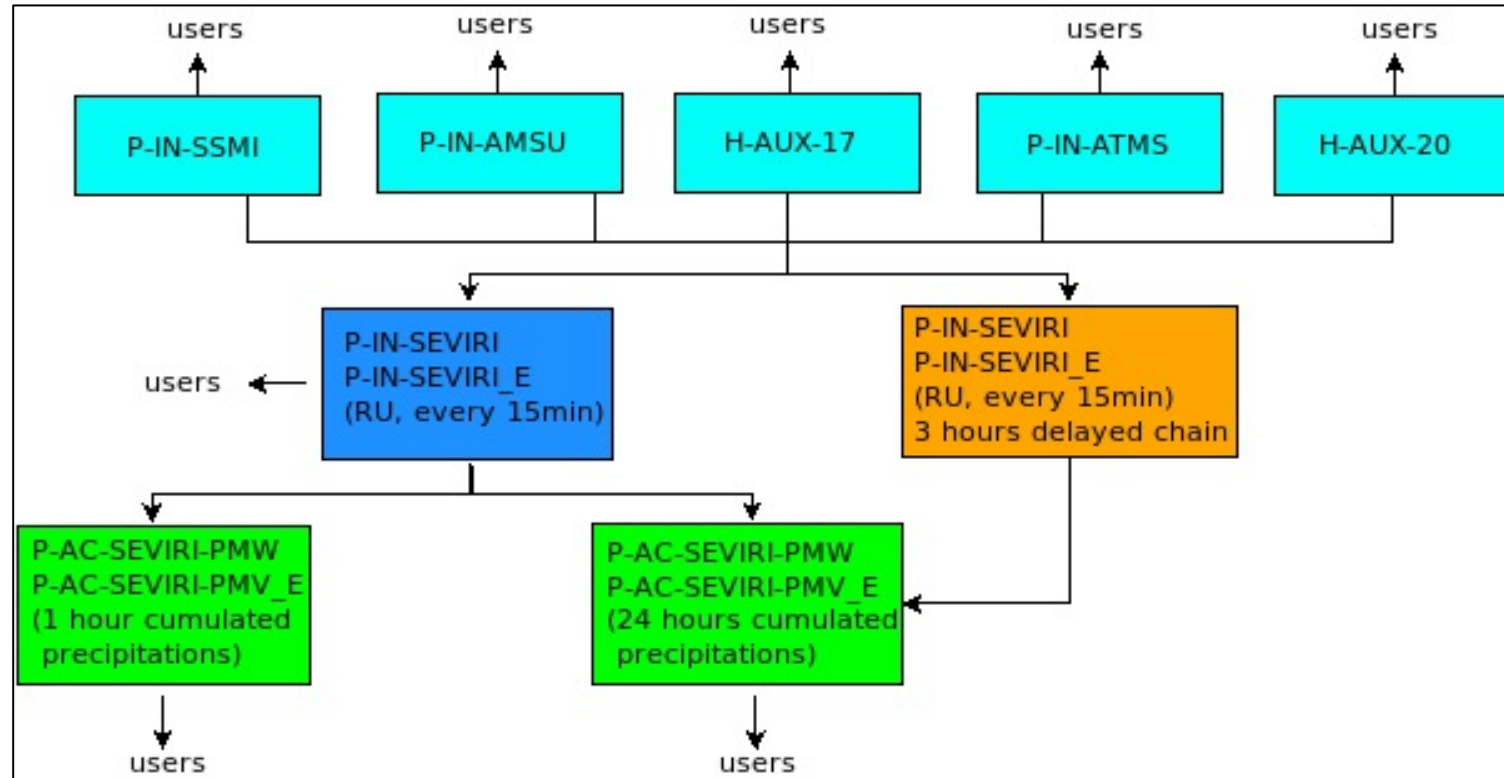
0°



41.5°E

(*) As soon as they become «pre operational»

Cumulated SEVIRI-based products



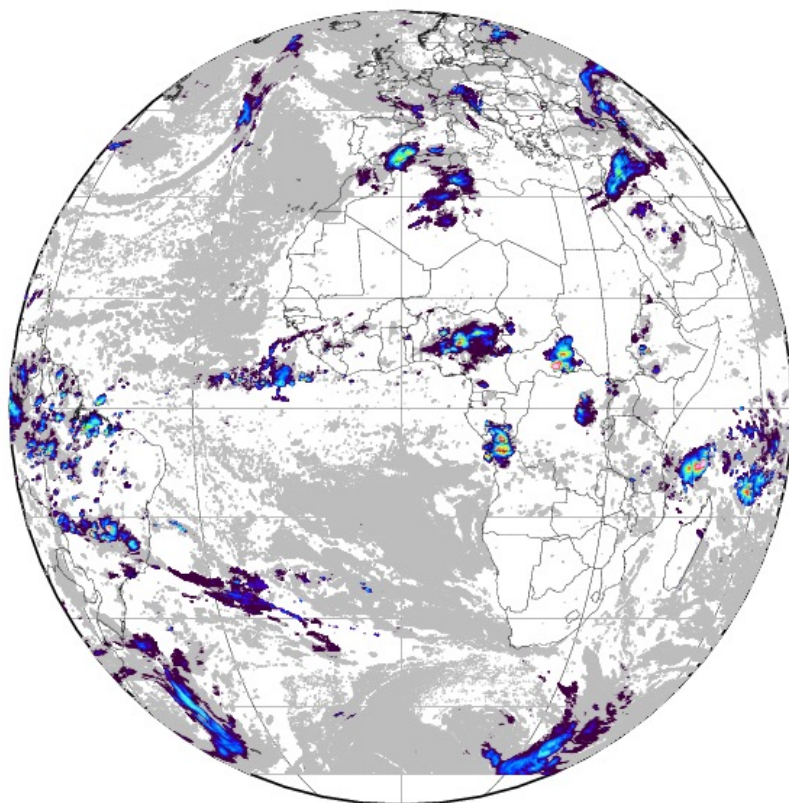
SEVIRI-MSG based instantaneous and cumulated precipitation products chains architecture.

H61 (P-AC-SEVIRI-PMW) and H90 (P-AC-SEVIRI_E) products

EUMETSAT H-SAF P-AC-SEVIRI-PMW

Accumulated precipitation in the previous 1 hour

Blending of: SEVIRI IR + SSMIS, AMSU, AMSR2, ATMS, and GMI MW: 20190502 2300



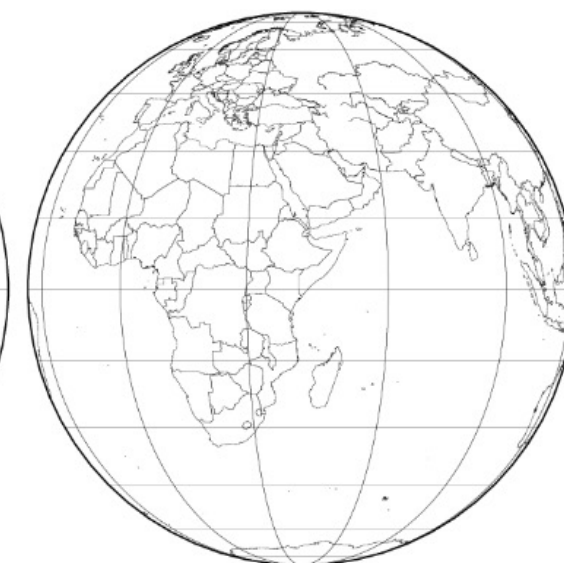
Accumulated ground precipitation

Main features	
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Cycle	1 hour
Spatial Resolution	3 Km s.s.p. ~8 km over Europe
Timeliness	Within 5 minutes from the end of acquisition
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H61 and H90 's domain

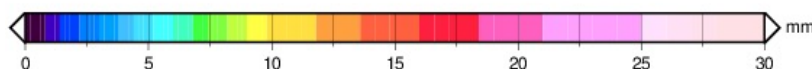


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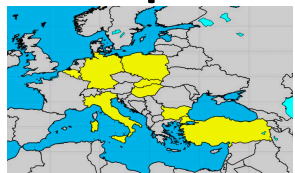
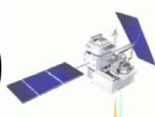
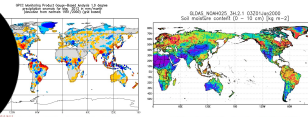




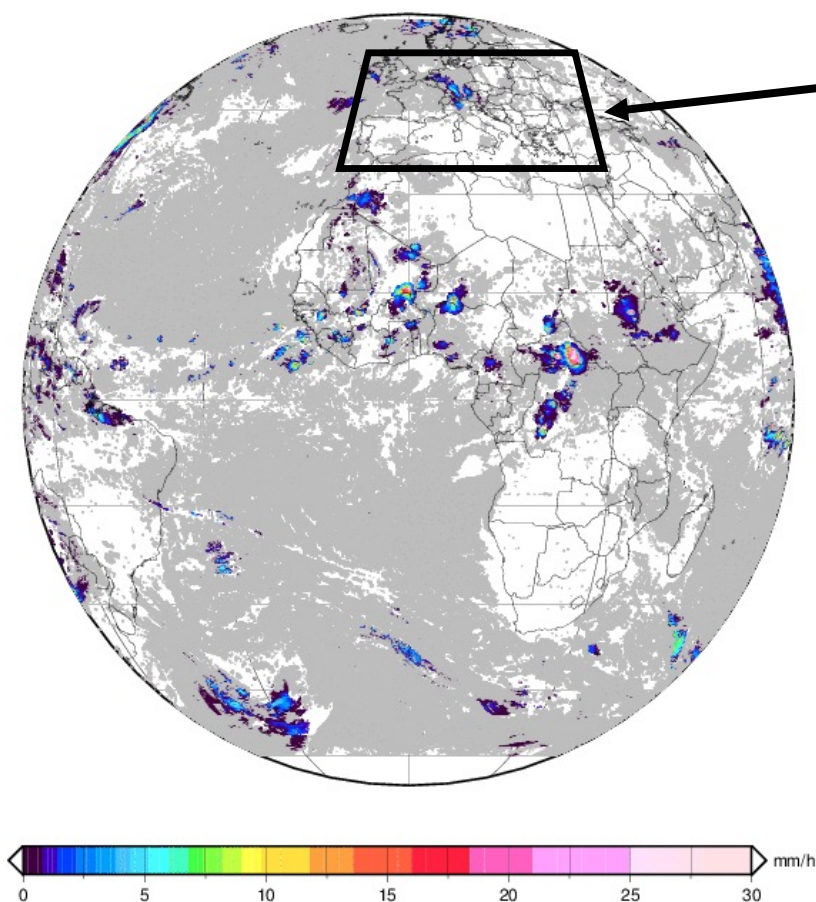
References & Methods

QA Methodologies and Reference data

Precipitation Products

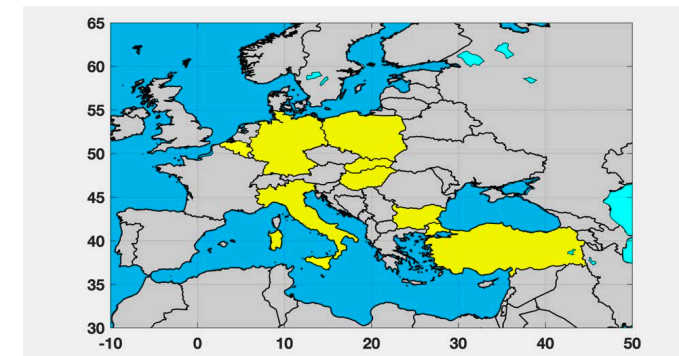
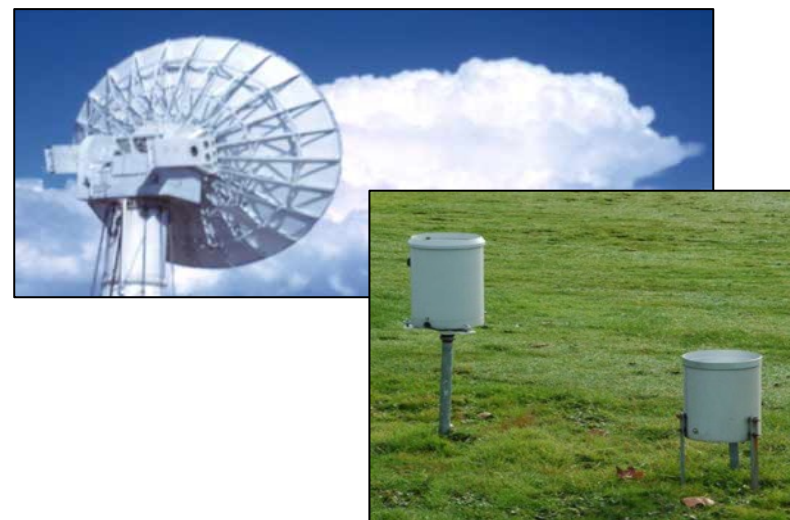
Area	Precipitation Products	
	Instantaneous	Accumulated
		
European 	1 Unique Common Code <i>Ground (Radars and Raingauges)</i>  	
Full Disk or Global 	2 Comparison Code <i>DPR – GPM-CO</i> 	3 Triple Collocation <i>GPCC & GLDAS</i> 

Validation over Europe



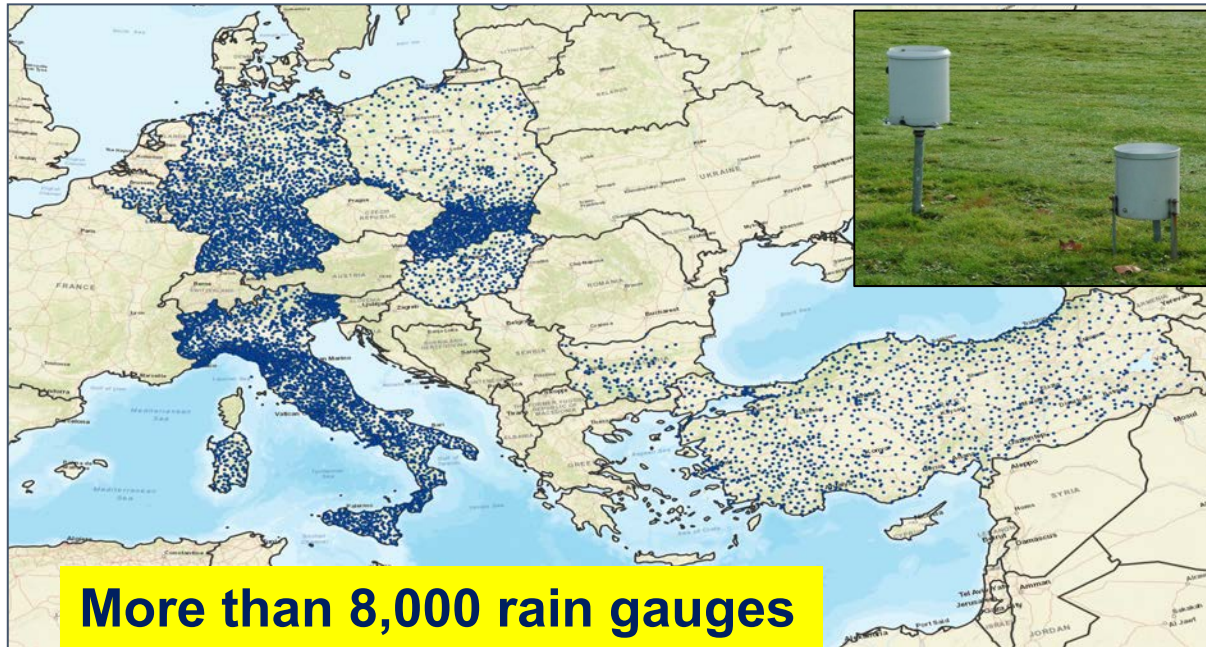
European area

European ground data:
radars and **raingauges**

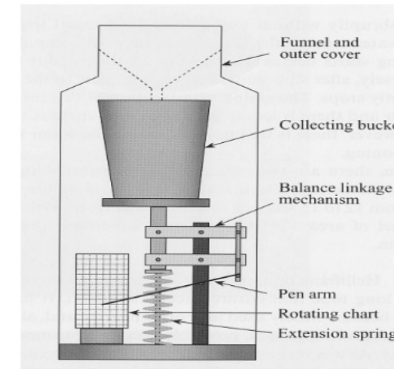


European ground data: raingauges

Most of the gauges used in the National networks by the validation Groups are of the **tipping bucket type**, which is the most common device used worldwide to have continuous, point-like rain rate measurement. The German network, and a part of the Bulgarian network, as an example, are equipped by precipitation **weighing gauges**, that allow continuous precipitation (both solid and liquid) measurements with higher accuracy.



WEIGHING BUCKET TYPE



Minimum detectable rain
≥ 0.1 mm

Typical time resolution
1 hour

Available output format
ASCII

Country	Total number of gauges (*)	Average minimum distance (km)
Belgium	92	15.2
Bulgaria	123	25.2
Germany	2299	12.9
Hungary	270	17.0
Italy	2934	11.3
Poland	540	24.0
Slovakia	911	13.6
Turkey	1235	26.5
TOTAL	8404	

(*) The number of available data may vary daily by approximately 10% depending on the availability of the networks.

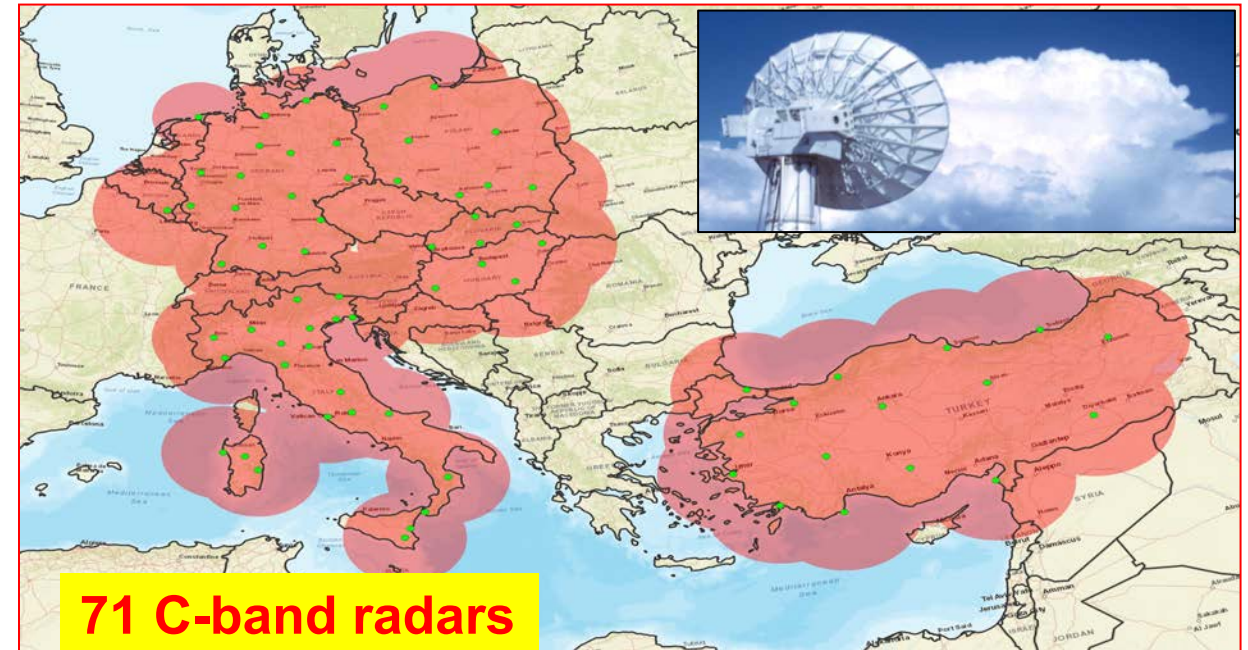
European ground data: radars

Minimum detectable rain rate
 ≥ 0.01 mm/h

Time resolution
5 – 60 minutes

Output formats
HDF5, NetCDF, ...

Country	Total number of radar	Average minimum distance (km)
Belgium	1	-
Bulgaria	-	-
Germany	16	163
Hungary	4	190
Italy	22	141
Poland	8	186
Slovakia	4	137
Turkey	16	253
TOTAL	71	



Institutes involved in the PPVG declared the system are kept in a relatively good status and all of them apply some correction factors in their processing chain of radar data. Only the radar data which passes the Quality Check of the owner Institute are used by the PPVG for validation activities.

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Validation methodology over Europe

1. GROUND DATA



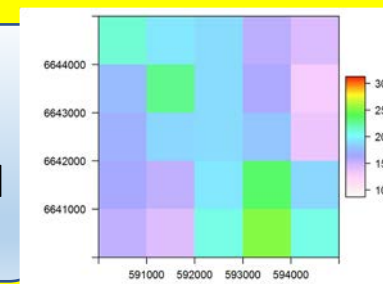
Quality check
and filtering



Spatial
interpolation
(GRISO)

2. TEMPORAL-SPATIAL MATCHING

Upscaling to
the product grid



<- the validation is performed over the satellite grid to evaluate the satellite product as it is released.

3. STATISTICAL (CONTINUOUS AND MULTI-CATEGORICAL) SCORES

Precipitation

- Light [0.25 ≤ R
- Moderate [1.0 ≤ R
- Heavy [R
- All [R

Surface types:

- Sea
- Land
- Coast
- Overall

Time intervals:

- Monthly
- Seasonal
- Yearly

Precipitation phases:

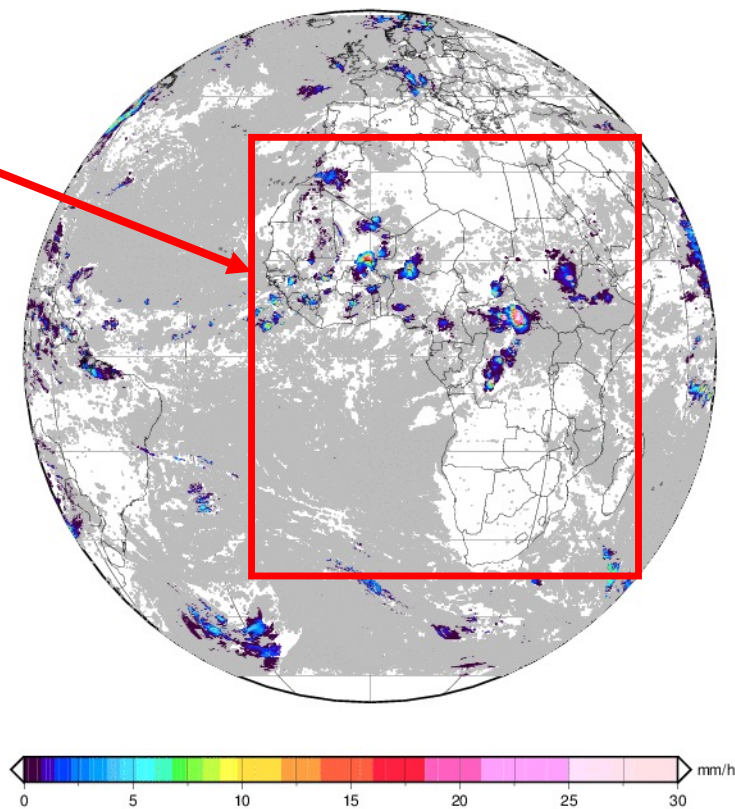
- Liquid
- Solid
- Mixed
- All

This comparison methodology is performed by the **Unique Common Code (UCC)** for all (8) participating countries (PPVG)

Comparison over Africa

African area

Satellites

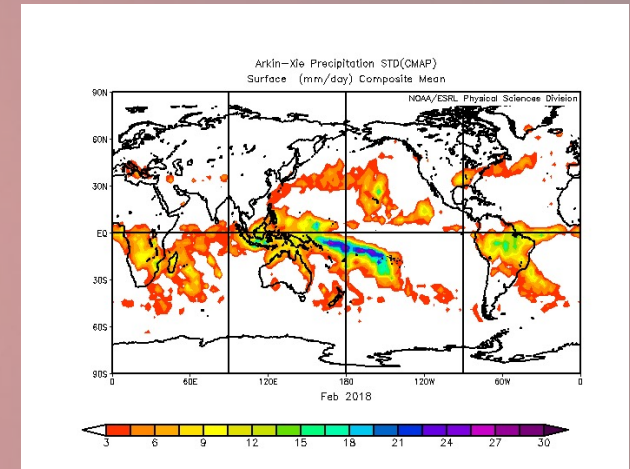


Reference ground data:
radars and/or raingauges



Available precipitation data over Africa

- ☐ Few gauges, very few weather radars
- ☐ Non-homogeneous extension over the whole Africa
- ☐ Daily or monthly data and not (or few) hourly or sub-hourly data
- ☐ Precipitation datasets not independent by the products to be validated
- ☐ Data mainly over land areas



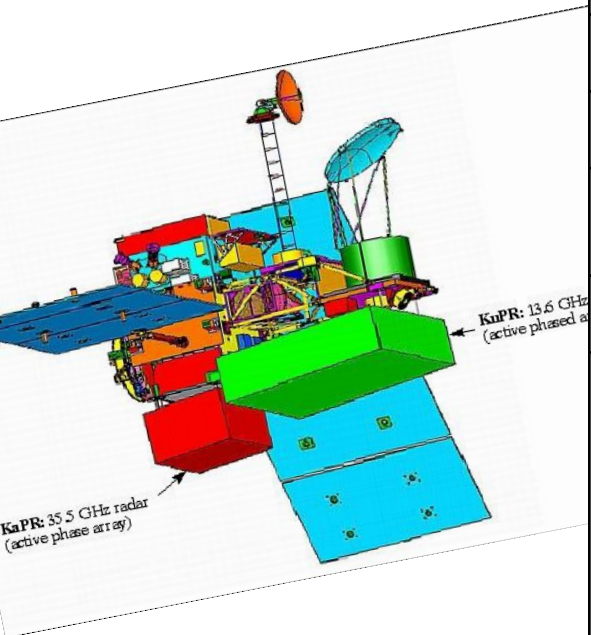
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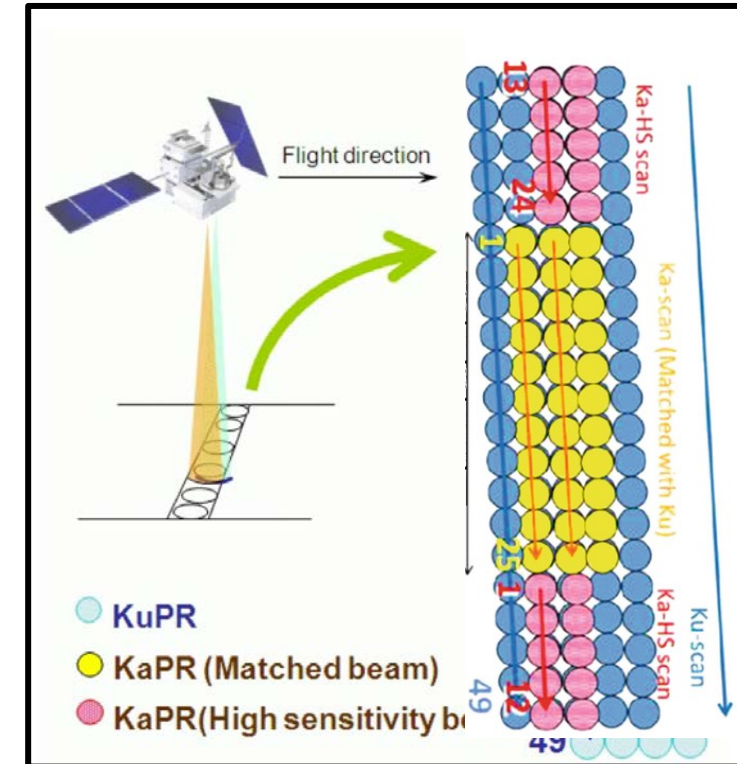
«...it can be establish that 2A-DPR NS V05 can be used to verify the H03 (P-IN-SEVIRI) rainfall estimations where the ground radars are not available, as is the case for most of the African territory. This is more true for light to moderate precipitation, whereas for heavy precipitation DPR products should be used with more caution, due to the underestimation of DPR with respect the reference and to the scarce data of heavy precipitation sampled by the ground-based radars.»

Dual-frequency Precipitation Radar (DPR)



Features	KuPR	KaPR
Frequency	13.6 GHz	35.5 GHz
Swath Width	245 km	120 km
Spatial Resolution	5.2 km (Nadir @ 407 km)	
Beam Width	0.71° (Center Beam)	
Beam Number	49 Normal Scan, NS	49: 25 in matched beams (MS) + 24 in high- sensitivity scans (HS)
Min. measur. RR	0.5 mm/h	0.2 mm/h
Cross T. Scan Angle	±17°	±8.5°

2 product types (K-band only / Combined [DPR] Product)



3 Scan modes (NS, MS and HS)

prEs

Precipitation Estimated on Surface

Comparison methodology over Africa

- ✓ **Intersection** [temporal and spatial GPM vs NOAA/METOP and MeteoSat acquisitions]
- ✓ **Downscaling** [regular grid 0.5°]
- ✓ **Comparison** [pixel-based]
- ✓ **Results**



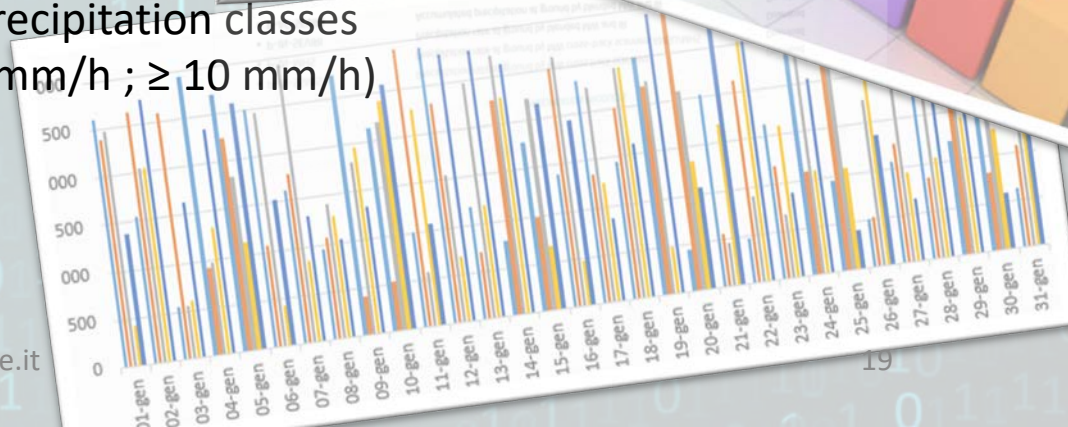
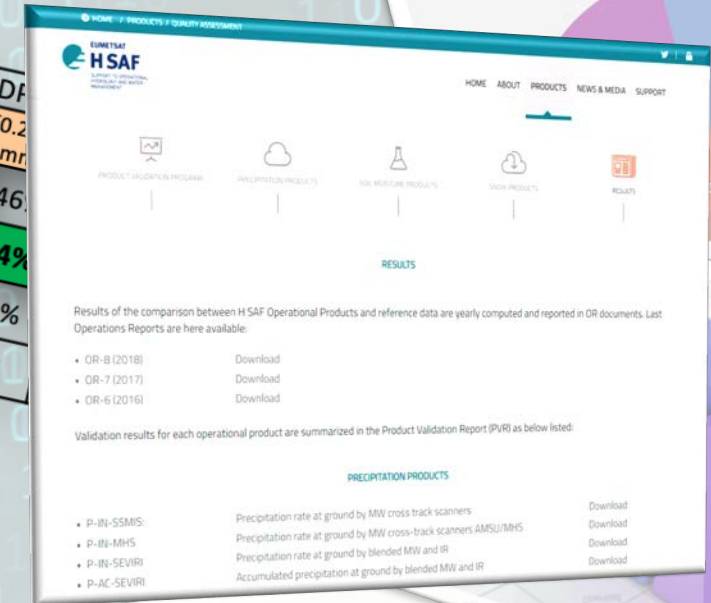
Statistical scores
(events, monthly, seasonal, yearly)

For different geographical areas
(Africa, Europe, Ocean)

For different surface types
(sea, land, coast)

For different precipitation classes
(≥ 1 mm/h; ≥ 5 mm/h ; ≥ 10 mm/h)

	DP	
[0 - 0.25[mm/h	95%	46%
[0.25 - 1[mm/h	3%	24%
[1 - 10[mm/h	2%	29%
≥ 10 mm/h	0%	0%



TC methodology

Underlying the triple collocation technique is the linear additive error model between the measurement systems and the unknown truth:

$$X = \alpha + \beta T + \varepsilon \quad (1)$$

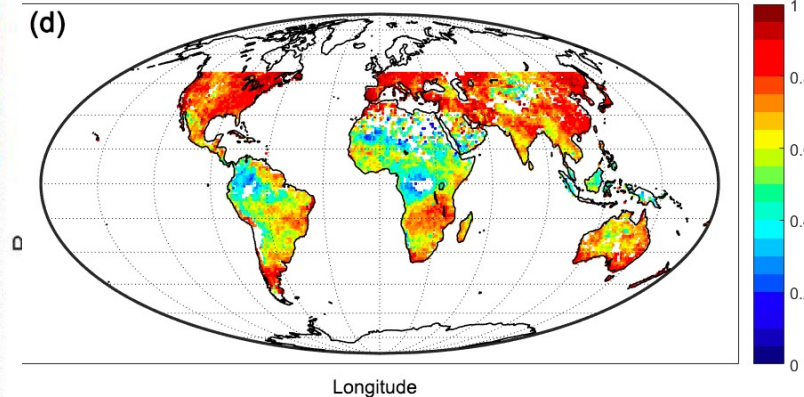
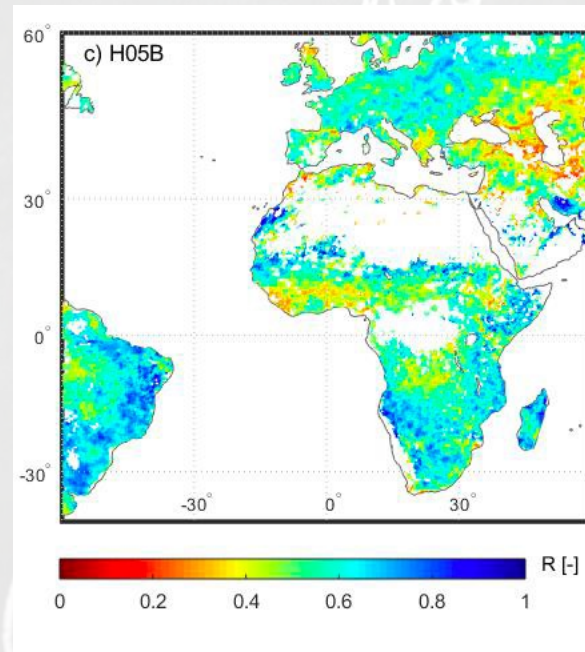
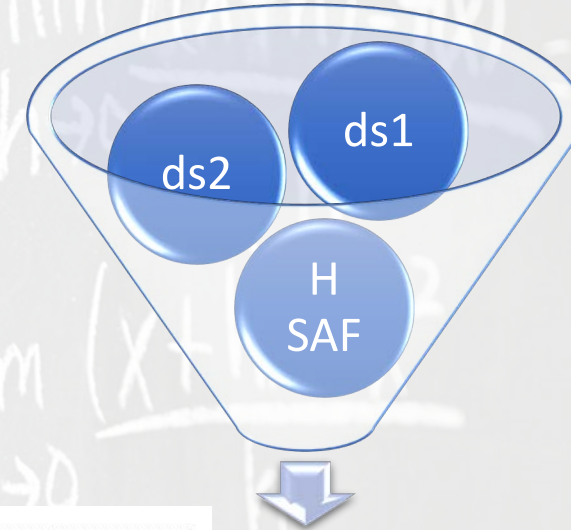
where X is a daily accumulated rainfall product, T is the true rainfall, α and β are additive and multiplicative biases, respectively, and ε is the zero-mean random error.

The extended triple collocation (hereafter referred to as TC) approach (McColl et al., 2014) can be applied to estimate the **correlation (R)** of a measurement system to the unknown truth. Given three gridded daily rainfall products (X , Y and Z) that linearly relate to the true daily rainfall intensity as described in (1), the correlation between X and the unknown truth T can be estimated as

$$R_X = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{XY}\sigma_{XZ}}{\sigma_X^2\sigma_{YZ}}} \quad (2)$$

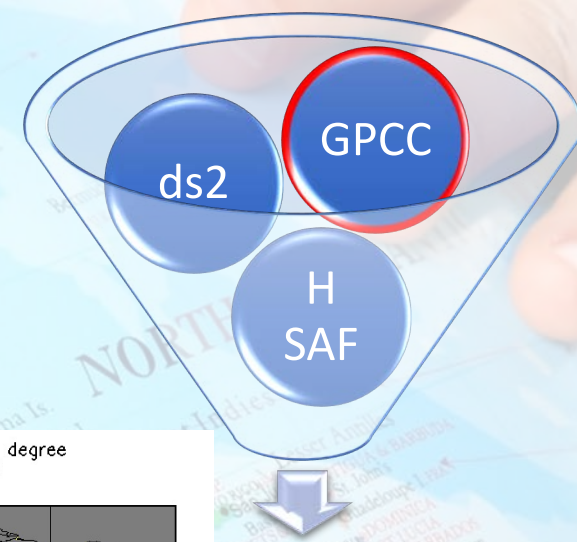
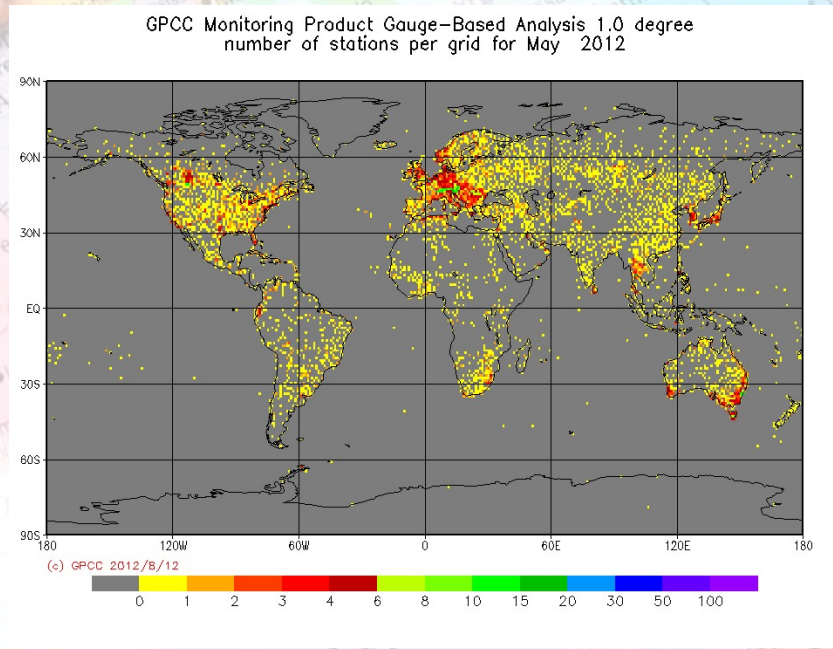
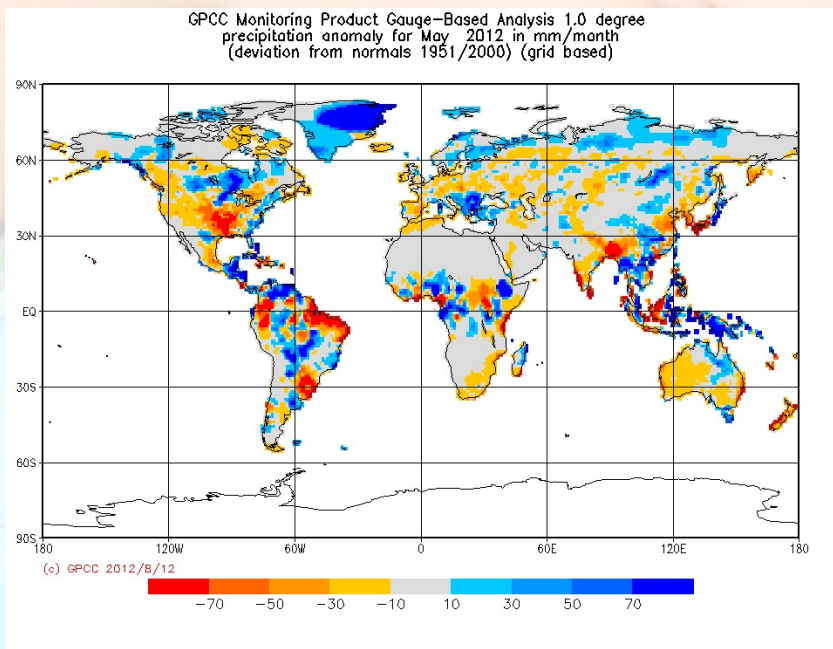
where σ_{XY} is the covariance of X and Y , etc., and σ_X^2 is the variance of X . For further details please refer to McColl et al. (2014). In addition to the linearity assumption, TC also requires: 1) mutually independent error impacting X , Y and Z ; 2) errors that are uncorrelated to T (i.e. error orthogonality); and 3) the stationarity of signal and error statistics (i.e., homoscedasticity) (Gruber et al. 2016a; Draper et al. 2013; Zwieback et al. 2012).

Due to the linearity assumption expressed in (1), we applied TC only at pixels where significant ($p = 0.05$) levels of mutual correlation exist between the members of the triplet. To ensure the stationarity of signal and error statistics (see above), a common practice is to remove seasonal signals from the raw time-series prior to application of TC (e.g., Chen et al., 2017; Gruber et al. 2016a; Su and Ryu, 2015). However, **because of the intermittent nature of precipitation, no-rain days are an important category of observation and should not be artificially altered into non-zero anomaly values.** Therefore, raw daily rainfall time-series were used here in the TC and QC analyses.



TC Global Reference

1) GPCC

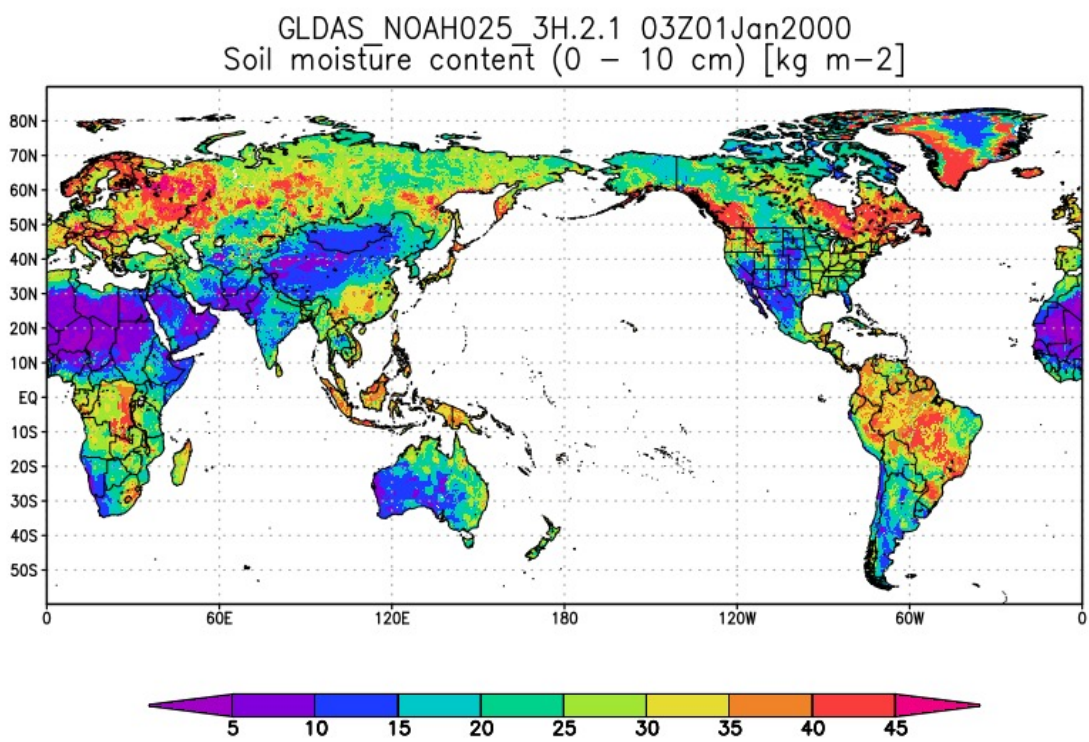


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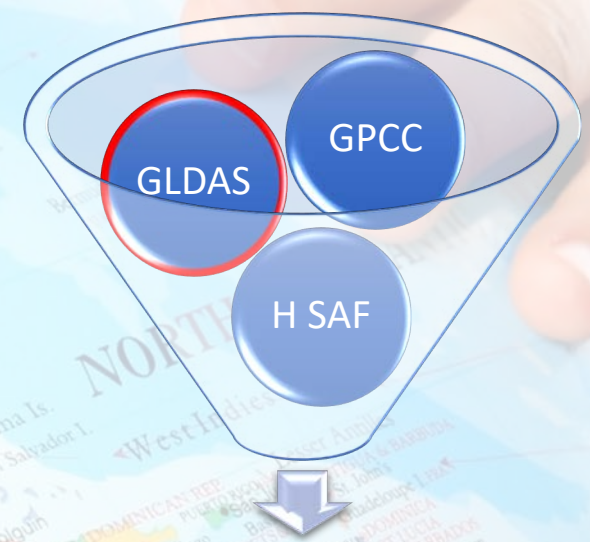
TC Global Reference

2) GLDAS

GLDAS-2.1 is forced with a combination of model and observation data from 2000 to present



GLDAS Noah Land Surface Model L4 3 hourly 0.25 x 0.25 degree V2.1 (GLDAS_NOAH025_3H)



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Version:	2.1
Format:	netCDF
Spatial Coverage:	-180.0,-60.0,180.0,90.0
Temporal Coverage:	2000-01-01 to 2021-09-01
File Size:	19 MB per file
Data Resolution	
Spatial:	0.25 ° x 0.25 °
Temporal:	3 hours

«Rain precipitation rate» variable

<https://ldas.gsfc.nasa.gov/gldas>



Quality Assessment Results

Quality Assessment: H60

with respect to ground data

with respect to DPR

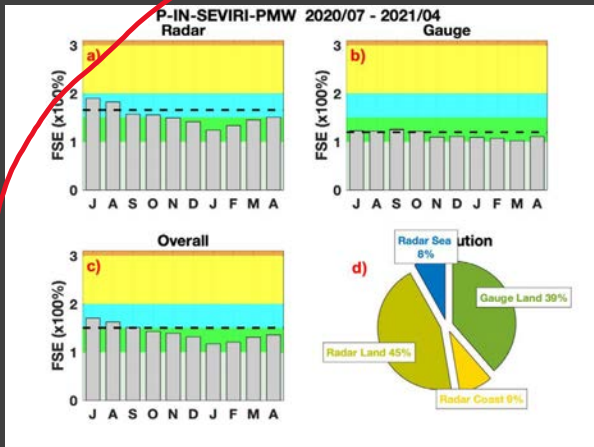


Table 24: Multi-categorical table for product H60- Overall validation.
The precipitation classes along the columns (rows) are relative to ground (satellite) precipitation.

Overall					
Multi-Categorical Statistics					
	[0 - 0.25] mm/h	[0.25 - 1] mm/h	[1 - 10] mm/h	≥10 mm/h	
[0 - 0.25] mm/h	90%	70%	54%	32%	
[0.25 - 1] mm/h	6%	15%	18%	12%	
[1 - 10] mm/h	4%	15%	28%	46%	
≥10 mm/h	0%	0%	1%	10%	

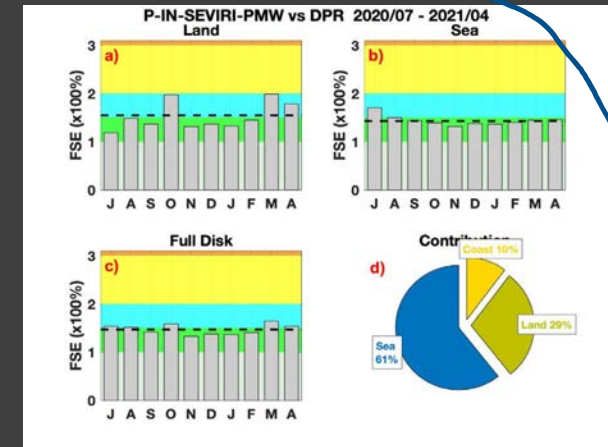
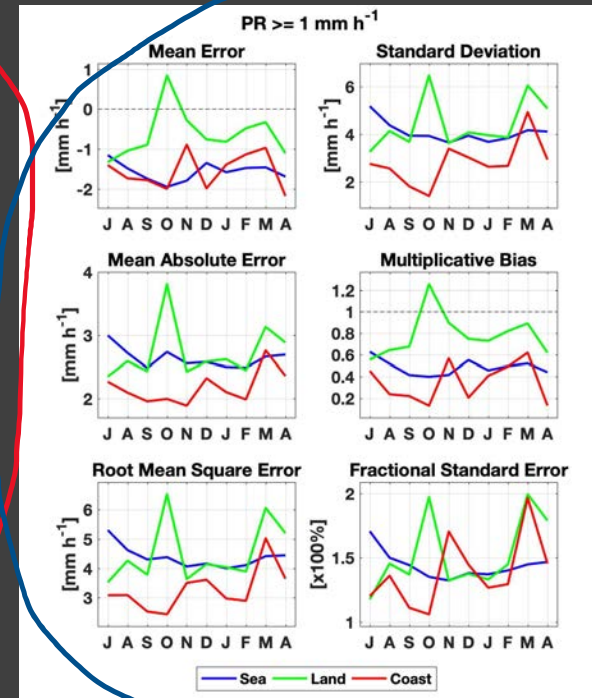
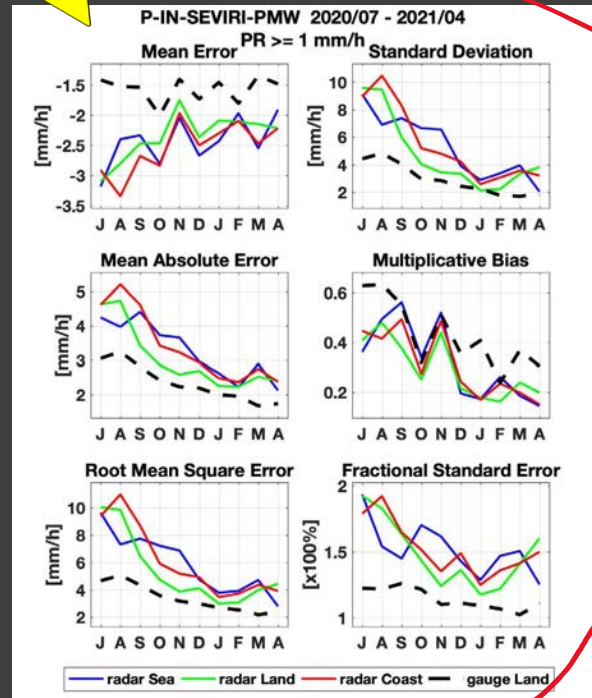


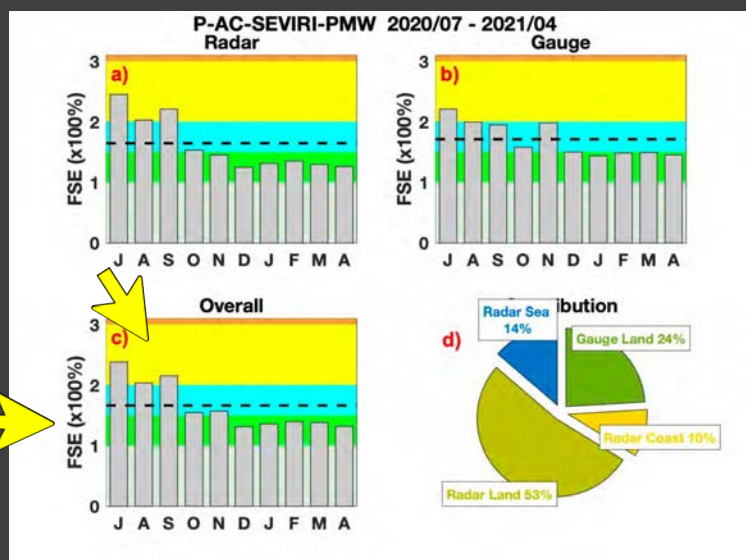
Table 27: Multi-categorical table for product H60 over the MSG full disk area.
The precipitation classes along the columns (rows) are relative to DPR-NS (H60) precipitation.

Overall - Full Disk					
Multi-Categorical Statistics					
	[0 - 0.25] mm/h	[0.25 - 1] mm/h	[1 - 10] mm/h	≥10 mm/h	
[0 - 0.25] mm/h	98%	82%	53%	20%	
[0.25 - 1] mm/h	1%	9%	16%	11%	
[1 - 10] mm/h	1%	9%	28%	48%	
≥10 mm/h	0%	0%	2%	20%	

Quality Assessment: H61

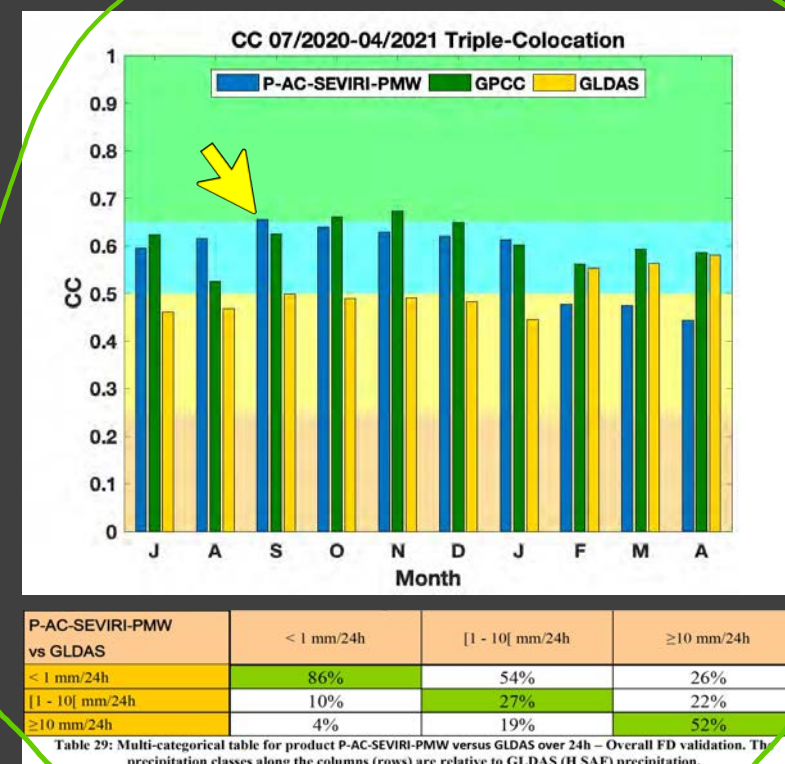
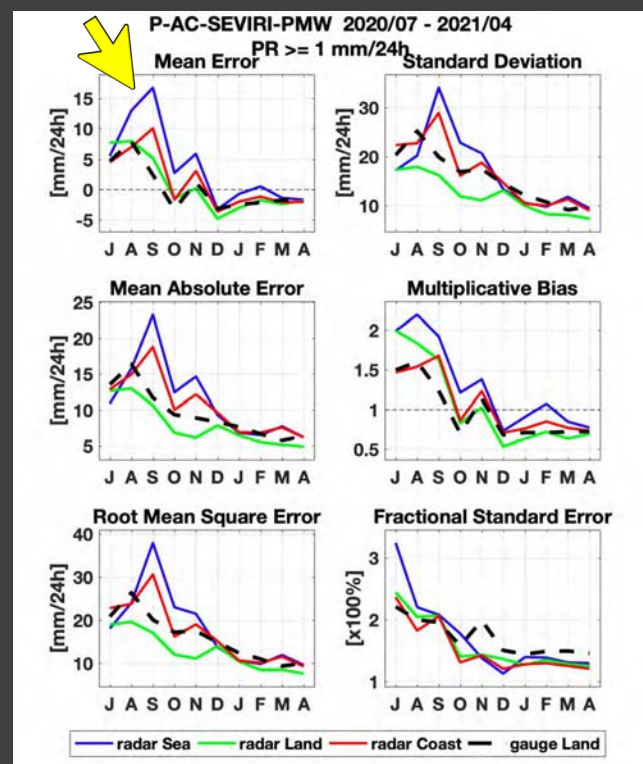
ground data

TC

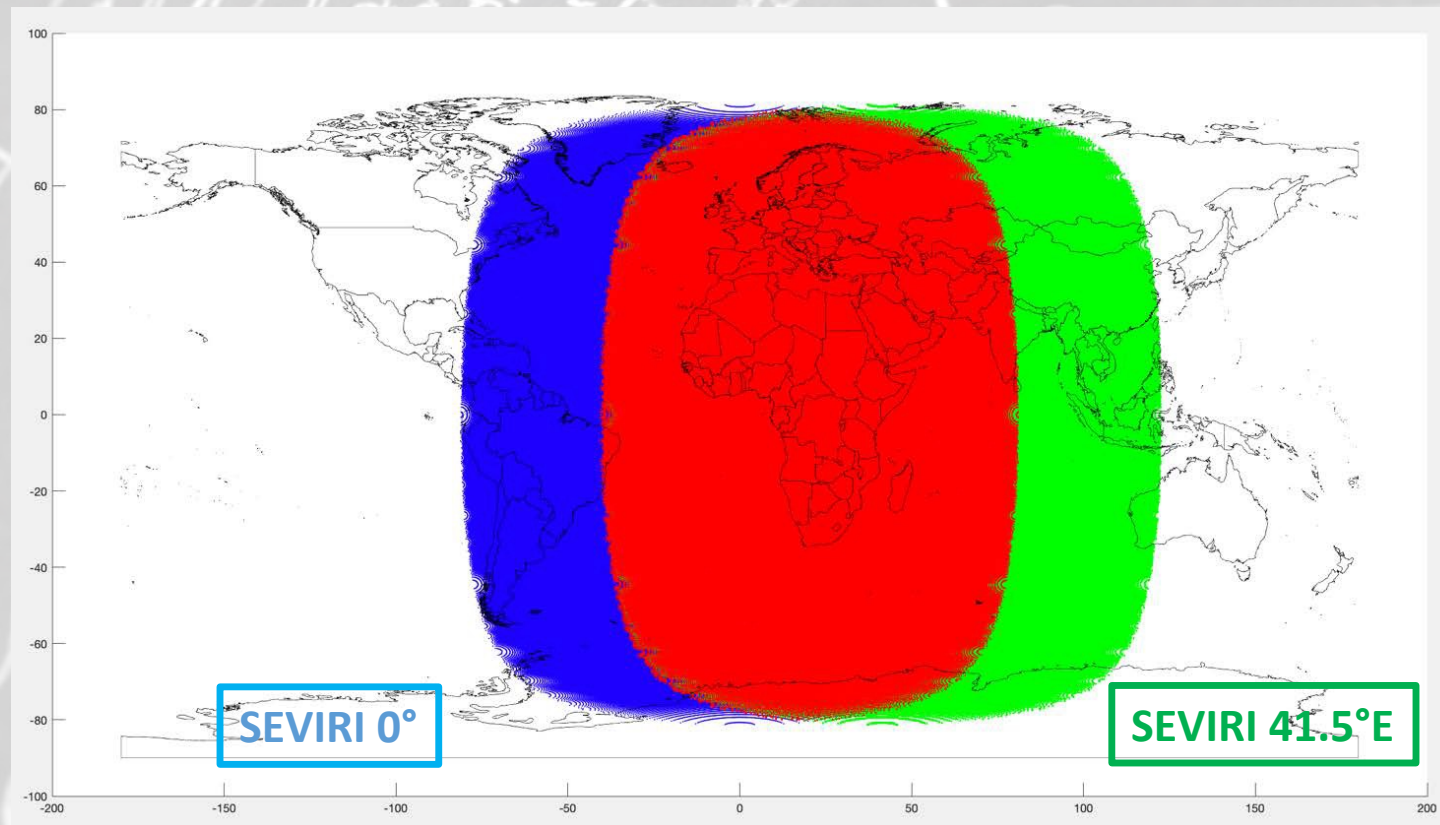


Overall			
Multi-Categorical Statistics			
	< 1 mm/day	[1 - 10] mm/day	≥ 10 mm/day
< 1 mm/day	75%	38%	17%
[1 - 10] mm/day	21%	41%	34%
≥ 10 mm/day	4%	21%	49%

Table 27: Multi-categorical table for product H61 - Overall validation. The precipitation classes along the columns (rows) are relative to ground (satellite) precipitation.



Inter-comparison

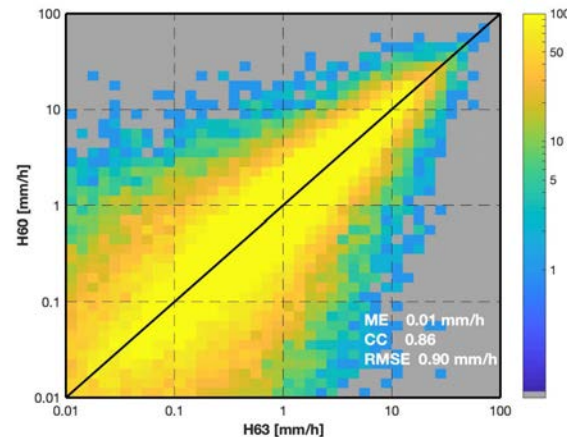


Coverage areas for H60/H61 (blue) and H63/H90 (green) products.
Overlapped area is highlighted in red.

Inter-comparison H63-H60 results

**H63
vs
H60**

≥ 0.25 mm/h	POD	0.81
	FAR	0.25
	MISS	0.19
	CSI	0.63
≥ 1 mm/h	POD	0.78
	FAR	0.25
	MISS	0.22
	CSI	0.62



H63 vs H60				
Multi-Categorical Statistics				
	[0 - 0.25[mm/h]	[0.25 - 1[mm/h]	[1 - 10[mm/h]	≥ 10 mm/h
[0 - 0.25[mm/h]	97%	35%	9%	1%
[0.25 - 1[mm/h]	3%	44%	15%	1%
[1 - 10[mm/h]	0%	21%	73%	37%
≥ 10 mm/h	0%	0%	3%	61%

Table 31: Multi-categorical table for product H63 in comparison with product H60 over the overlapped area.
The precipitation classes along the columns (rows) are relative to H60 (H63) precipitation.

H63 vs H60

	≥ 0 mm/h
Num H63 [#]	313,662,875
Num H60 [#]	313,662,858
ME [mm/h]	0.01
STD [mm/h]	0.90
MAE [mm/h]	0.17
MB [-]	1.02
CC [-]	0.86
RMSE [mm/h]	0.90

Table 29: Comparison scores between H63 and H60

Inter-comparison H90-H61 results

<i>H90 vs H61</i>		
≥ 0.25 mm/24h	POD	0.92
	FAR	0.13
	MISS	0.08
	CSI	0.81
	POD	0.86
≥ 10 mm/24h	FAR	0.16
	MISS	0.14
	CSI	0.74

H90 vs H61

Num H90 [#]

Num H61 [#]

ME [mm/24h]

STD [mm/24h]

MAE [mm/24h]

MB [-]

CC [-]

≥ 0 mm/24h

181,241,159

181,241,611

-0.50

8.92

2.69

0.96

0.92

H90 vs H61			
Multi-Categorical Statistics			
	< 1 mm/24h	[1 - 10[mm/24h	≥ 10 mm/24h
< 1 mm/24h	96%	14%	1%
[1 - 10[mm/24h	3%	74%	13%
≥ 10 mm/24h	0%	12%	86%

Table 35: Multi-categorical table for product H90 in comparison with product H61 over the overlapped area.
The precipitation classes along the columns (rows) are relative to H61 (H90) precipitation.

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Final Quality Assessment Results

		Between target and optimal	Between threshold and target	Threshold exceeded by < 50 %	Threshold exceeded by ≥ 50 %			
H60		Annual average of FSE (%)						
Precipitation Class	Requirement (FSE %)			Radar (Land)	Radar (Sea)	Radar (Coast)	Gauge (Land)	OVERALL
	thresh	target	optimal					
≥ 1 mm/h	200	150	100	171	158	162	120	150

Table 25: Product requirement and compliance analysis for product H60

		Between target and optimal	Between threshold and target	Threshold exceeded by < 50 %	Threshold exceeded by ≥ 50 %			
H61 vs Ground		Annual average of FSE (%)						
Precipitation Class	Requirement (FSE %)			Radar (Land)	Radar (Sea)	Radar (Coast)	Gauge (Land)	OVERALL
	thresh	target	optimal					
≥ 1 mm/day	200	150	100	168	163	152	171	166

Table 28: Product requirement and compliance analysis for product H61

H63 vs H60		≥ 0 mm/h
Num H63 [#]		313,662,875
Num H60 [#]		313,662,858
ME [mm/h]		0.01
STD [mm/h]		0.90
MAE [mm/h]		0.17
MB [-]		1.02
CC [-]		0.86
RMSE [mm/h]		0.90

Table 29: Comparison scores between H63 and H60

H90 vs H61		≥ 0 mm/24h
Num H90 [#]		181,241,159
Num H61 [#]		181,241,611
ME [mm/24h]		-0.50
STD [mm/24h]		8.92
MAE [mm/24h]		2.69
MB [-]		0.96
CC [-]		0.92
RMSE [mm/24h]		8.95

Table 33: Comparison scores between H90 and H61

	Between target and optimal	Between threshold and target	Threshold exceeded by < 50 %	Threshold exceeded by ≥ 50 %			
H60 vs DPR	Annual average of FSE (%)						
Precipitation Class	Requirement (FSE %)			Land	Sea	Coast	OVERALL
	thresh	target	optimal				
≥ 1 mm/h	200	150	100	154	143	154	147

Table 28: Product requirement and compliance analysis for H60 in comparison with DPR-NS product.

P-AC-SEVIRI-PMW by TC methodology		Annual average of CC		
Precipitation Class	Requirement (CC)			OVERALL
	thresh	target	optimal	
≥ 0 mm/24h	0.50	0.65	0.80	0.58

Table 32: UR and compliance analysis for P-AC-SEVIRI-PMW (24h) product over FD area by TC methodology

Conclusions

H60 (P-IN-SEVIRI-PMW) and partly also H61 (P-AC-SEVIRI) tend to slightly underestimate rainfall, especially compared to the low intensities observed by ground data

H63 and H90 are in **strong agreement** with H60 and H61 products, respectively

H60, H61, H63 e H90 will be **very soon H SAF operational products** (by end of February 2022)
They will be distributed via EUMETCAST or through the H SAF website

All results here shown (and more) are observable/downloadable on Validation reports

Every 15 minutes these products provide (in NRT) an estimate of the **instantaneous (and accumulated) precipitation** over more than half of the globe!

these products are unique among all available international products!

Thank you for your attention !



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