

# Assessment of near-real-time satellite-based precipitation over Thailand

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## Outline



## Objectives

- To evaluate satellite-based precipitation products, GSMaP\_NRT and PERSIAN-CCS.
- To find how well of satellite-based rainfall products detection, especially in the northern part of Thailand.

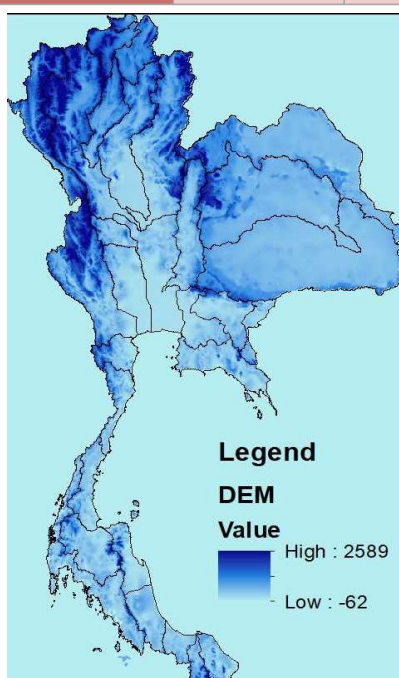


Figure 1. Digital Elevation Model of Thailand

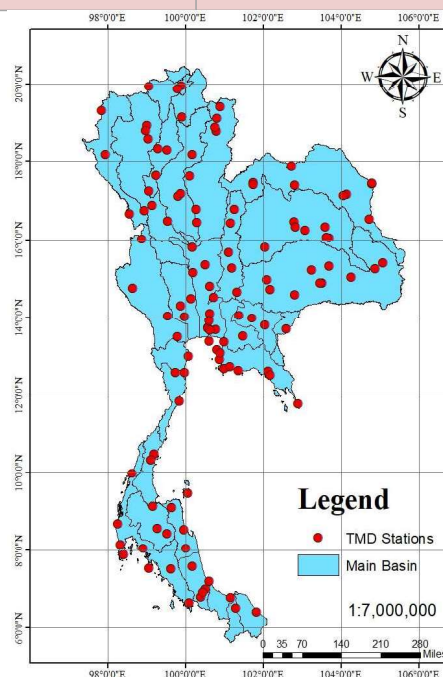


Figure 2. Rain gauge network

Using Thai  
Meteorology  
Department  
rainfall data.

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Table 1. The rainfall data

Name	Period	Type	Spatial resolution	Temporal resolution
TMD Station	2009-2013	Point	None	Daily
GSMaP_NRT	2009-2013	Grid	0.1 degree	Hourly
PERSIANN-CCS	2009-2013	Grid	0.04 degree	Hourly

Global Rainfall Map in Near-Real-Time (GSMaP\_NRT) and Precipitation Estimation from Remotely Sensed Information using Artificial Neural Network Cloud Classification System (PERSIANN-CCS) use for evaluation.

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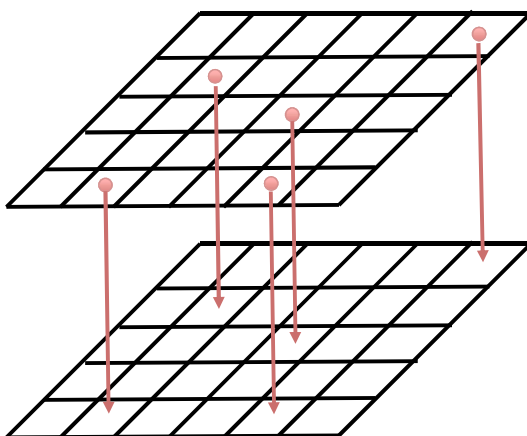


Figure 3. Comparing points data and grid data.

Comparing point data in which the same grid data.

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## Exploratory Indices

Root mean  
squared error  
(RMSE)

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (X_{obs} - X_{sim})^2}{N}}$$

Correlation  
coefficient (R)

$$R = \frac{N\sum xy - (\sum x)(\sum y)}{\sqrt{N(\sum x^2) - (\sum x)^2} \sqrt{N(\sum y^2) - (\sum y)^2}}$$

Bias of  
estimation

bias of  
estimation =

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum (X_{obs} - X_{sim})$$

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		Observation		
		Yes	No	
Satellite	Yes	a	b	a+b
	No	c	d	c+d
		a+c	b+d	n = a+b+c+d

Figure 4. Contingency Table

Ratio of hit data and miss data.

Hit rate:  $HR = \frac{a}{a+c}$

Ratio of false alarm data and negative data.

False alarm rate:  $FR = \frac{b}{b+d}$

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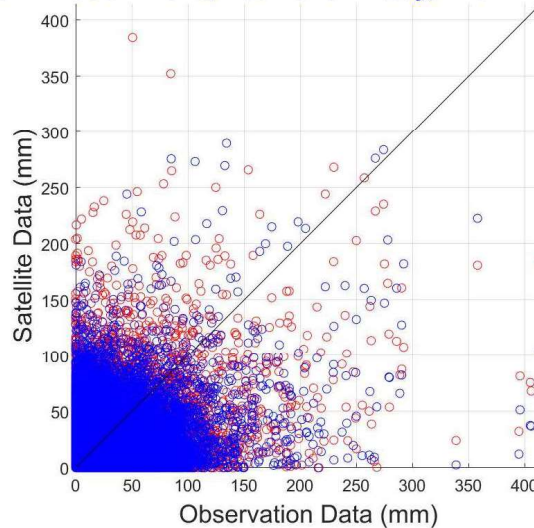
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**Daily rainfall in Thailand**  
**GSMaP-NRT:  $R = 0.46$ , Bias = 0.74 mm/day, RMSE = 12.63 mm/day**  
**PERSIANN-CCS:  $R = 0.43$ , Bias = -0.15 mm/day, RMSE = 13.04 mm/day**



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Figure 5. Scatter plot of daily rainfall over Thailand.

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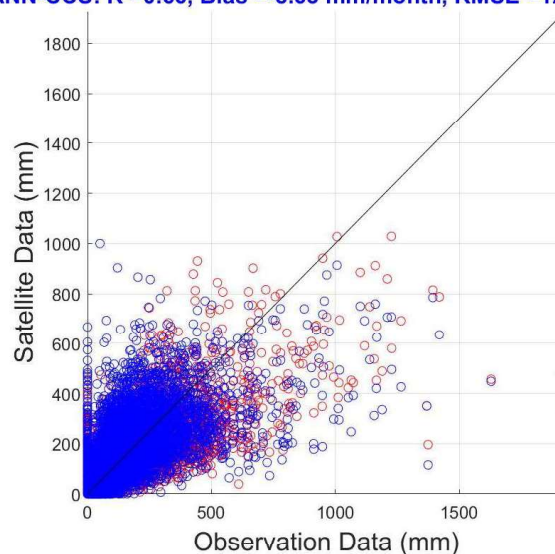
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**Monthly rainfall in Thailand**  
**GSMaP-NRT:  $R = 0.75$ , Bias = 18.40 mm/month, RMSE = 105.92 mm/month**  
**PERSIANN-CCS:  $R = 0.66$ , Bias = -8.63 mm/month, RMSE = 125.86 mm/month**



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Figure 6. Scatter plot of monthly rainfall over Thailand.

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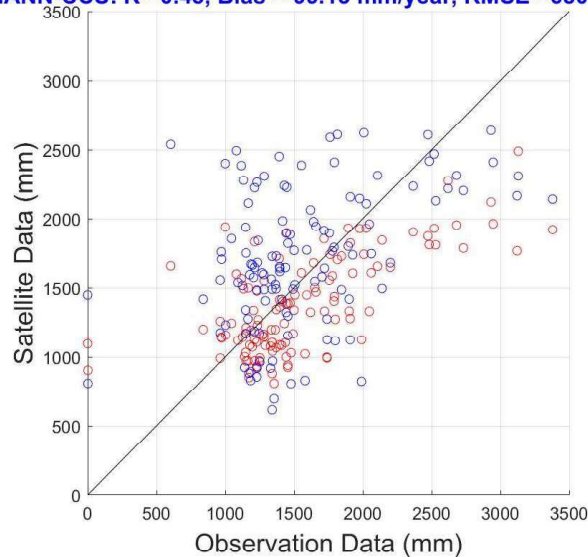
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**Annual rainfall in Thailand**  
**GSMaP-NRT: R =0.74, Bias =225.78 mm/year, RMSE =556.27 mm/year**  
**PERSIANN-CCS: R =0.45, Bias =-99.13 mm/year, RMSE =680.30 mm/year**



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Figure 7. Scatter plot of annual rainfall over Thailand.

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Table 2. Summary of Exploratory indices.

	GSMaP_NRT			PERSIANN-CCS		
	R	RMSE	Bias	R	RMSE	Bias
Daily	0.46	0.74 mm./d.	12.63 mm./d.	0.43	-0.15 mm./d.	13.04 mm./d.
Monthly	0.75	18.40 mm./m.	105.82 mm./m	0.66	-8.63 mm./m.	125.86 mm./m.
Annual	0.74	225.78 mm./y.	556.27 mm./y.	0.45	-99.13 mm./y.	680.30 mm./y.



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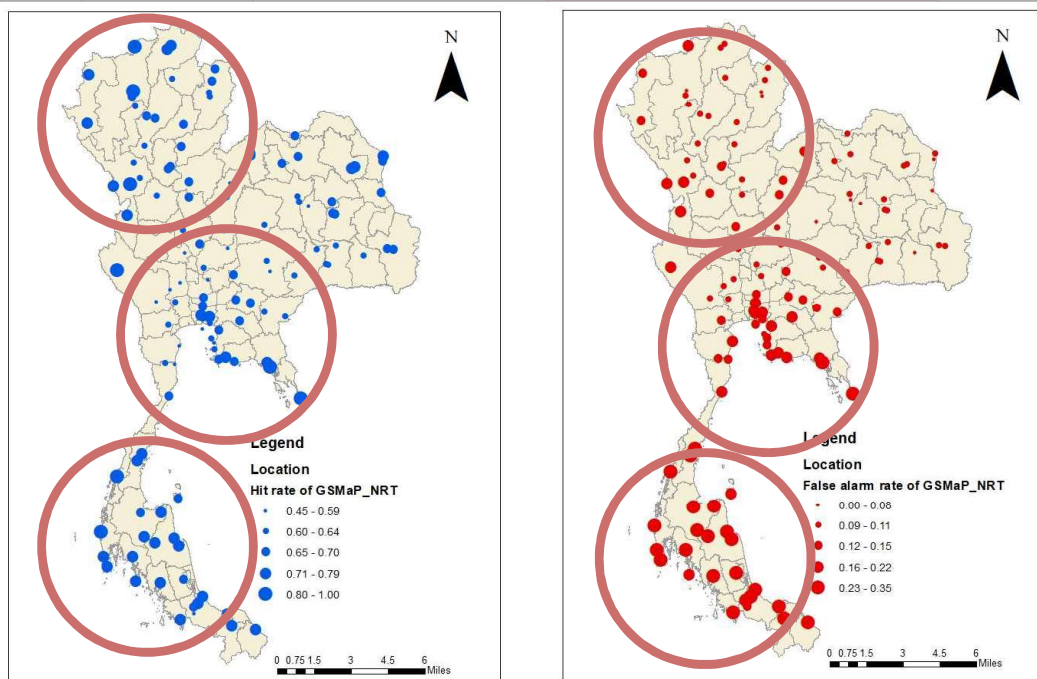


Figure 8. Hit rate and false alarm rate of GSMaP\_NRT over Thailand.

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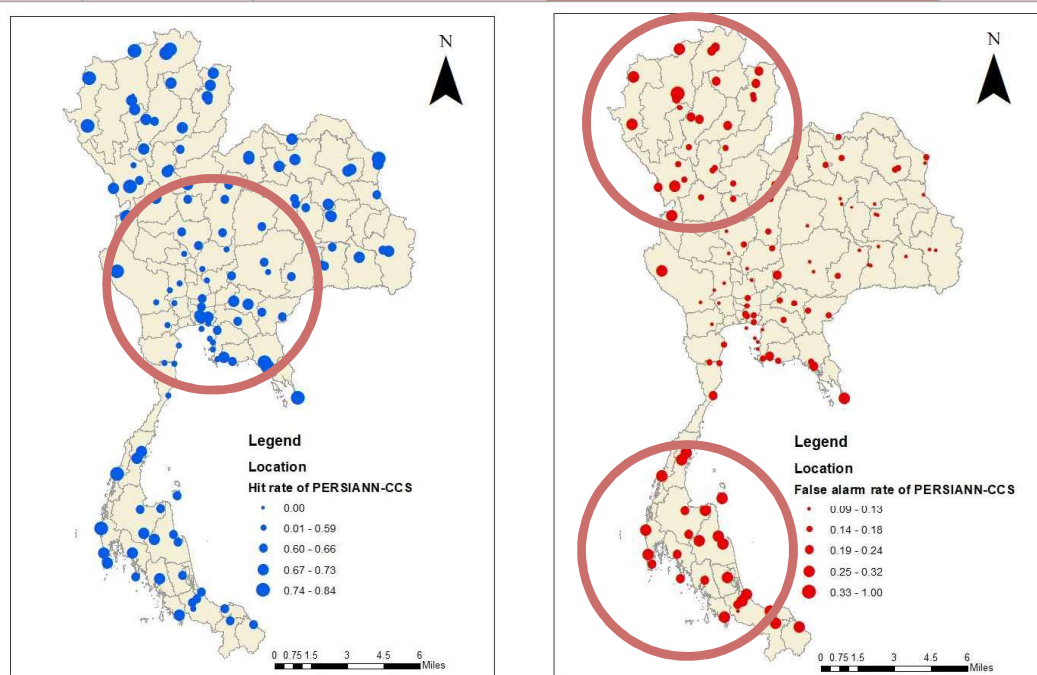


Figure 9. Hit rate and false alarm rate of PERSIANN-CCS over Thailand.

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Table 3. The average hit rate and false alarm rate of satellite-based rainfall products

	HR	FR
GSMaP_NRT	0.65	0.18
PERSIANN-CCS	0.67	0.15


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- The two satellite-based rainfall products with the hit rate of 65-67% and the false alarm rate of 15-18%.
  - The daily correlation coefficient of 0.43-0.46 and the monthly and annual increase to 0.45-0.75.
  - For the annual rainfall greater than 1,000 mm.
  - The performance of satellite-based products significantly varies spatially. GSMaP\_NRT is relatively better than PERSIANN-CCS.
  - Adjustment to reduce bias of the products should be implemented.



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