GPM/TRMM Data reading program guide (IDL version)



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This document describes how to create a program (IDL) to read data from the Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) satellite.

The sample programs described in this document have been tested with product version 07 for GPM/TRMM and with product version 5 for GSMaP.

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Introduction

This document explains how to read in GPM/TRMM data using IDL.

The GPM and TRMM formats have been unified since version 06 products (equivalent to TRMM version 8), and the latest algorithm is version 07 (equivalent to TRMM version 9). The latest algorithm is version 07 (equivalent to TRMM version 9), which can be read in the same way in this sample program.

In addition to IDL, there are other methods to read GPM data as shown in Table 1.1. To determine which method to use, please refer to the "Read Method Judgment Flow" on the next page. Table 1.2 lists the operating systems on which the sample programs used in this document were tested.

	Data loading method Name of material			
1	Using THOR	GPM/TRMM Data Loading Program Guide (THOR Edition)		
2	Use IDL	GPM/TRMM Data Loading Program Guide (IDL version)		
3	Use C	GPM/TRMM data reading program guide (C language version)		
4	Using FORTRAN	GPM/TRMM Data Loading Program Guide (FORTRAN Edition)		
5	Using Python	GPM/TRMM data reading program guide (Python version)		

Table 1.1 Data loading methods



	•		in operation encour ras	
	sample program	Linux	Windows	remarks
1	С	0	-	
2	FORTRAN	0	-	
3	Python	0	0	
4	IDL	0	0	

Table 1.2 Sample Program Operation Check Table

O : Operation is confirmed. -: Operation is unconfirmed.

2. how to obtain GPM/TRMM data

GPM/TRMM data can be obtained from the G-Portal site (https://www.gportal.jaxa.jp/gp/top.html). User registration is required to obtain the data. Please select "User Registration/Terms of Use" from the menu at the top of the G-Portal site to register as a user.



Read the terms and conditions and click "Agree and Next.

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You will be taken to the user registration screen.

For the subsequent procedures and how to obtain data after user registration, please refer to "5.2 How to Use the Data Providing Service" in the "GPM Data Users Handbook. For information on how to obtain the "GPM Data Users Handbook," please refer to "3.

3. how to obtain related documents and sample programs

There are two types of documents related to GPM/TRMM data: documents related to data use and documents related to products. Both documents can be downloaded from the GPM website (https://www.eorc.jaxa.jp/GPM/index.html). You can also download the sample codes described in this document from Top Page > Data Utilization

Documentation for GPM data use includes

GPM Data Application Handbook

file naming convention

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Click "TRMM/GPM V07" to see the list of documents for product version 07.

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The products, programs, and sample data described in this document are as follows

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Table 3.1	List of	Sample	Programs

product	sample program	sample data
L2DPR	sample_L2_DPR_IDL.pro	GPMCOR_DPR_2112070007_0140_04417_L2S_DD2_07A.h5
L3DPR	sample_L3_DPR_IDL.pro	GPMCOR_DPR_1806_M_D3M_07X.EORC.h5
GSMaP	sample_GSMaP_HDF5_IDL.pro	GPMMRG_MAP_2112010000_H_L3S_MCH_05A.h5
	sample_GSMaP_bin_IDL.pro	gsmap_gauge_now.20211201.0000.dat
	sample_GSMaP_NetCDF_IDL.pro	GPMMRG_MAP_2112010000_H_L3S_MCN_05A.nc

4. installation of library tools

When reading GPM/TRMM data in IDL, you only need to install IDL itself. No installation of related libraries is required.

This manual has been tested in the following environments

(data) item	environment
calculator	Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU ES-2665 2.4GHz
OS	Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server release 6.4
IDL	Version 8.0.1

5. GPM/TRMM data read (IDL)

IDL (Interactive Data Language) is a programming language for data analysis commonly used in scientific and technical computing.

5.1 L2 data reading

5.1.1 Source Programs

The following is an example program that reads L2DPR. It reads the data Latitude, Longitude, and precipRateESurface from the HDF5 file specified by fnL2.



5.1.2 Execution results

The following are the results of executing the program described in 5.1.1.

```
$ idl
IDL Version 8.0.1 (linux x86_64 m64). (c) 2010, ITT Visual Information Solutions
Installation number: 70882.
Licensed for use by: JAXA
IDL> .run sample_L2_DPR_IDL.pro
% Compiled module: SAMPLE_L2_DPR_IDL.
IDL> sample_L2_DPR_IDL
+ Input file name +
.GPMCOR_DPR_2112070007_0140_044170_L2S_DD2_07A.h5
% Loaded DLM: HDF5.
+ Dataset +
Lat= -19.8801 Lon= 30.4024 precipRateESurface= 3.42141
Lat= -19.8574 Lon= 30.3586 precipRateESurface= 3.70716
Lat= -19.8345 Lon= 30.3147 precipRateESurface= 3.20117
Lat= -19.8117 Lon= 30.2709 precipRateESurface= 3.00306
Lat= -19.7884 Lon= 30.2264 precipRateESurface= 3.32433
Lat= -19.7651 Lon= 30.1819 precipRateESurface= 4.20975
Lat= -19.7416 Lon= 30.1372 precipRateESurface= 3.18332
Lat= -19.7176 Lon= 30.0917 precipRateESurface= 1.59663
Lat= -19.6936 Lon= 30.0461 precipRateESurface= 1.63730
IDL>
```

5.2 L3 data reading

5.2.1 Source Programs

The following is an example of an L3DPR reading program, reading data named precipRateESurface from a file specified by fnL3.

1:PRO sample_L3_DPR_IDL
2: HDE5 file name.
3: fnL3 = ' GPMCOR_DPR_1806_M_D3M_07X.EORC.h5'
4 :
5: print, ' '
6: print, '+ Input file name +'
7: print, fnL3
8:
9: fileID = H5F_OPEN(fnL3)
10:
11:;Read Dataset Sample
12: dataSetName = '/FS/G1/precipRateESurface/me <u>an'</u>
Open data sets.
fileID: fileID obtained by H5E_OPEN
dataSatNamo: Spacify the name of the
uatasetivanie. Specify the name of the
13: dataSetID = H5D_OPEN(fileID, dataSetName) data to be read.



5.2.2 Execution results

The following are the results of executing the program described in 5.2.1.

```
$ idl
IDL Version 8.0.1 (linux x86_64 m64). (c) 2010, ITT Visual Information Solutions
Installation number: 70882.
Licensed for use by: jaxa
IDL> .run sample_L3_DPR_IDL.pro
% Compiled module: SAMPLE_L3_DPR_IDL.
IDL> sample_L3_DPR_IDL
+ Input file name +
data_07A/GPMCOR_DPR_1806_M_D3M_07X.EORC.h5
% Loaded DLM: HDF5.
+ Dataset +
lat= 2.50000 lon= 137.500
/FS/G1/precipRateESurface/mean[14,63,0,0,0]= 2.13081
IDL>
```

5.3 GSMaP_HDF5 Data Image Display

5.3.1 Source prog ram

The following sample program creates an image image from a GSMaP file specified by fnL3 and displays it on the screen.



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```
30:
                                         Creation of image data
31:num_size = size(tdb_r_elem)
                                         For the data read in, the amount of precipitation is checked
32:num = num_size(1)
                                         and the color (i) corresponding to the precipitation value is
33:
                                         set to rain_byte.
34: for i=0L, num - 1L do begin
35: w = where( (tdb_rain[i] le rain_data) and (rain_data lt tdb_rain[i+1L]), cw )
36: if (cw ge 1) then begin
37: rain_byte(w) = i
                                         Display Settings
38: endif
                                         retain=2: IDL manages drawing data
39:endfor ; i
                                         decomposed=0: Pseudo color, 0: Pseudo color, 0: Pseudo
40:
41:;+++ set color
                                         color, 0: Pseudo color
42:device,retain=2,decomposed=0
43:
                                         Colors are set
44:tvlct, r, g, b, /get
45:r[0:num-1L] = tdb_r_elem[*].
46:q[0:num-1L] = tdb_q_elem[*].
47:b[0:num-1L] = tdb_b_elem[*].
48:r[255]=0 & g[255]=0 & b[255]=0
49:tvlct, r, g, b
50:
51:;+++ draw on map
52:window, 1, xsize=800, ysize=400, title='GSMaP_HDF5'
53:
                          Map Settings
                          CYLINDRICAL: cylindrical equidistant projection, LIMIT: latitude and
                          longitude of lower left and upper right
                          POS: lower left and upper right coordinates, noerase: do not erase the
                         screen before drawing
54:MAP_SET, 0, 0, /CYLINDRICAL, $
55: LIMIT=[-60, -180, 60, 180], pos=[0.1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.9], $
56: /n<u>oerase</u>,
                /NOBORDER
57:
         Setting from image data
         rain byte: Image data, COMPRESS=1: Inverse map transformation for each pixel
         LATMIN=-90: latitude corresponding to the first row of the image, LONMIN=-180: longitude corresponding
         to the leftmost column of the image
         LATMAX=90: latitude corresponding to the last row of the image, LONMAX=180: longitude corresponding to
         the rightmost column of the image
58:result = MAP_IMAGE(rain_byte, x0, y0, xsize, ysize, $ 🧈
59: COMPRESS=1, SCALE=0.05, $
60: LATMIN=-90, LONMIN=-180, $
61: LATMAX=90, LONMAX=180)
62:
                          Image rendering
63:TV, result, x0, y0, xsize=xsize, ysize=ysize
64:
65:map_continents
66:map_grid, LABEL=1, CHARSIZE=1.0, GLINESTYLE=1, $
67: LATLAB=-15, LONLAB=-45, $
68: LONDEL=30, LATDEL=10, /BOX_AXES
69:
70:write_png,'sample_GSMaP_HDF5_IDL.png',tvrd(/true)
71:END
```

5.3.2 Execution results

The following figure shows the results of executing the program described in 5.3.1. When the program is executed, the figure shown in Figure 5.3.1 is displayed.

```
$ idl
IDL Version 8.0.1 (linux x86_64 m64). (c) 2010, ITT Visual Information Solutions
Installation number: 70882.
Licensed for use by: jaxa
IDL> .run sample_GSMaP_HDF5_IDL_20151221.pro
% Compiled module: $MAIN$.
+ Input file name +
GPMMRG_MAP_2112010000_H_L3S_MCH_05A.h5
% Loaded DLM: HDF5.
% Compiled module: MAP_SET.
% Compiled module: MAP_SET.
% Compiled module: MAP_IMAGE.
% Compiled module: MAP_CONTINENTS.
% Compiled module: MAP_GRID.
IDL>
```



Figure 5.3.1 Execution results

5.4 GSMaP_bin data image display

5.4.1 Source Programs

The following sample program creates an image image from the GSMaP file specified in fn_bin and displays it on the screen.



```
Colors are set
37:
38:tvlct, r, g, b, /get
39:r[0:num-1L] = tdb_r_elem[*].
40:g[0:num-1L] = tdb_g_elem[*].
41:b[0:num-1L] = tdb_b_elem[*].
42:r[255]=0 & g[255]=0 & b[255]=0
43:tvlct, r, g, b
44:
45:;+++ draw on map
46:window, 0, xsize=800, ysize=400, title='GSMaP_bin'
47:
                          Map Settings
                          CYLINDRICAL: cylindrical equidistant projection, LIMIT: latitude and
                         longitude of lower left and upper right
                         POS: lower left and upper right coordinates, noerase: do not erase the
                          screen before drawing
                         NOBORDER: Do not draw a border around the map
48:MAP_SET, 0, 180, /CYLINDRICAL, $
49: LIMIT=[-60, 0, 60, 360], pos=[0.1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.9], $
50: /noerase, /NOBORDER
51:
      Setting from image data
      rain_byte: Image data, COMPRESS=1: Inverse map transformation for each pixel
      LATMIN=-90: latitude corresponding to the first row of the image, LONMIN=-180: longitude corresponding to
      the leftmost column of the image
      LATMAX=90: latitude corresponding to the last row of the image, LONMAX=180: longitude corresponding to the
      rightmost column of the image
                                                                       7
52:result = MAP_IMAGE(rain_byte, x0, y0, xsize, ysize, $
53: COMPRESS=1, SCALE=0.05, \
54: LATMIN=-60, LONMIN=0, $
55: LATMAX=60, LONMAX=360)
56:
                          Image rendering
57:TV, result, x0, y0, xsize=xsize, ysize=ysize
58:
59:map_continents
60:map_grid, LABEL=1, CHARSIZE=1.0, GLINESTYLE=1, $
61: LATLAB=-15, LONLAB=-45, 
62: LONDEL=30, LATDEL=10, /BOX_AXES
63:
64: write_png,'sample_GSMaP_bin_IDL.png',tvrd(/true)
65:END
```

5.4.2 Execution results

The following figure shows the results of executing the program described in 5.4.1. When the program is executed, the figure shown in Figure 5.4.1 is displayed.

```
$ idl
IDL Version 8.0.1 (linux x86_64 m64). (c) 2010, ITT Visual Information Solutions
Installation number: 70882.
Licensed for use by: jaxa
IDL> .run sample_GSMaP_bin_IDL.pro
% Compiled module: $MAIN$.
% Compiled module: MAP_SET.
% Compiled module: MAP_IMAGE.
% Compiled module: MAP_CONTINENTS.
% Compiled module: MAP_GRID.
IDL>
```



Figure 5.4.1 Execution results

5.5 GSMaP_NetCDF data image display

5.5.1 Source Programs

The following sample program creates an image image from a GSMaP file specified by fnL4 and displays it on the screen.

```
1:PRO sample_GSMaP_NetCDF_IDL
                                    NetCDF file name.
2:
3:fnL4 = '... /... /data_07A/GPMMRG_MAP_2112010000_H_L3S_MCN_05A.nc'
4:print, '
5:print, '+ Input file name +'
6:print, fnL3
7:
8:; Read Dataset Sample
9:; fileID = H5F_OPEN(fnL3)
10:;
11:; dataSetName = '/Grid/hourlyPrecipRateGC'
12:; dataSetID = H5D_OPEN(fileID, dataSetName )
13:; rain_data = H5D_READ(dataSetID)
14:; H5D_CLOSE, dataSetID
15:
16:; H5F_CLOSE, fileID
17:
18:; Read Dataset Sample with netcdf
                                            Open NetCDF file.
19: fileID = NCDF_OPEN(fnL4)
20:
                                                          NetCDF file loading.
21: dataSetName = 'hourlyPrecipRateGC'
22: dataSetID = NCDF_VARID(fileID, dataSetName )
23: NCDF_VARGET, fileID, dataSetID, rain_data
24:
25: NCDF_CLOSE, fileID
                                       The array of data read (latitude, longitude) is converted
26:
                                       to (longitude, latitude).
27:;+++ rotate GSMaP data
28:rain_data = rotate(rain_data,4)
29:
30:; +++ convert 1-byte scale data for drawing
31:rain_byte = bytarr(3600,1800)
32:
                                      Defines the value of precipitation.
33:tdb_rain = [0,0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 1000]; [mm/h]
                                      The color corresponding to the precipitation value is
                                      defined.
34:tdb_r_elem = [255, 0, 0, 0, 51, 155, 255, 255, 255, 235, 175 ]
35:tdb_q_elem = [255, 0, 100, 180, 219, 235, 235, 179, 100, 30, 0]
36:tdb_b_elem = [255, 150, 250, 250, 128, 74, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
37:
38:num_size = size(tdb_r_elem)
39:num = num_size(1)
40:
```



5.5.2 Execution results

The following figure shows the results of executing the program described in 5.5.1. When the program is executed, the figure shown in Figure 5.5.1 is displayed.

```
$ idl
IDL> .run sample_GSMaP_NetCDF_IDL.pro
% Compiled module: SAMPLE_GSMAP_NETCDF_IDL.
IDL> sample_GSMaP_NetCDF_IDL
+ Input file name +
    ... /... /data_07A/GPMMRG_MAP_2112010000_H_L3S_MCN_05A.nc
% Loaded DLM: NCDF.
% Compiled module: MAP_SET.
% Loaded DLM: LAPACK.
% Compiled module: MAP_SET.
% Compiled module: MAP_IMAGE.
% Compiled module: MAP_CONTINENTS.
% Compiled module: MAP_GRID.
% Loaded DLM: PNG.
```



Figure 5.5.1 Execution results

version number	Date	Revised contents	remarks
1	2016/1/26		
2	2016/9/26	 4. installation of libraries and tools: installation of HDF5 Delete description of 	
3	2017/9/13	 Introduction: python description added to Table flowchart revised accordingly. 	
4	3/15/2018	3. Related documents and sample programs available: Table 3.1 sample program list added.	
5	2/5/2019	13. Correction due to addition of TRMM and renewal of GPM site5.1, 5.2 Item name change	
6	12/6/2021	 modified to GSMaP product version 5 and GPM/TRMM product version 7. revised availability of related documentation and sample programs 	
7	12/24/2021	Table 3.1 Sample data updated to V76 Corrected code description to match V7	
8	2/21/2022	5.1, 5.2 lat/lon display added. Corrected errors. 5.5 Add GSMaP_NetCDF data display	

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