

PROPOSED GRID CHARACTERISTICS

- $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$ equal angle resolution, with nesting down to 0.5° and 0.25° for land products
- Temporal binning at 10 day intervals, 3 intervals per month:
 - 1 - 10
 - 11 - 20
 - 21 - end of month
- Diurnal binning on 002, 032, 062, etc., for radiation and meteorological products.
- Instrument teams to generate these products from standard products themselves - they know how best to do it with their data
- This scheme is more or less the same as ISLSCP $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$ grid convention (800 users so far, another 500 soon)

GRIDDING

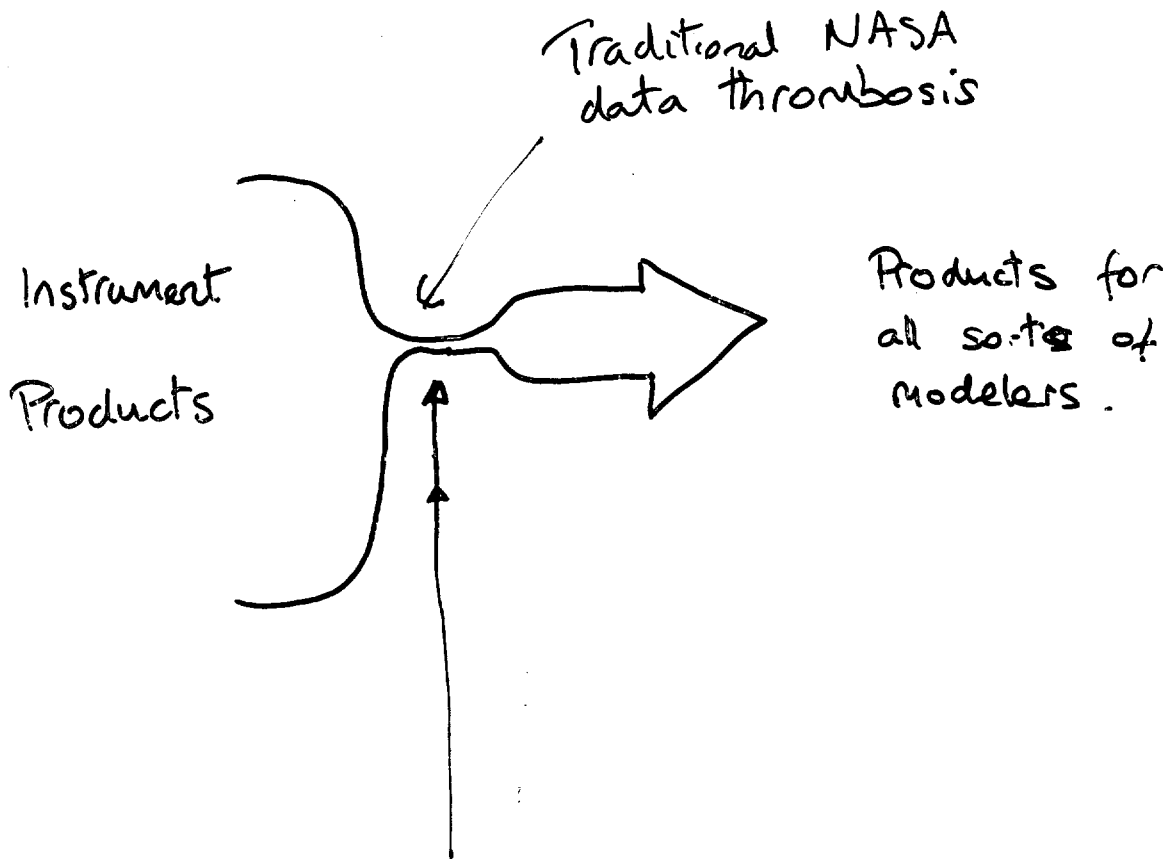
PROPOSAL I: Common nested grid for all Eos-AM L3 products

Rejected: Too many specialized instrument-specific, user-specific needs (e.g. polar data sets)

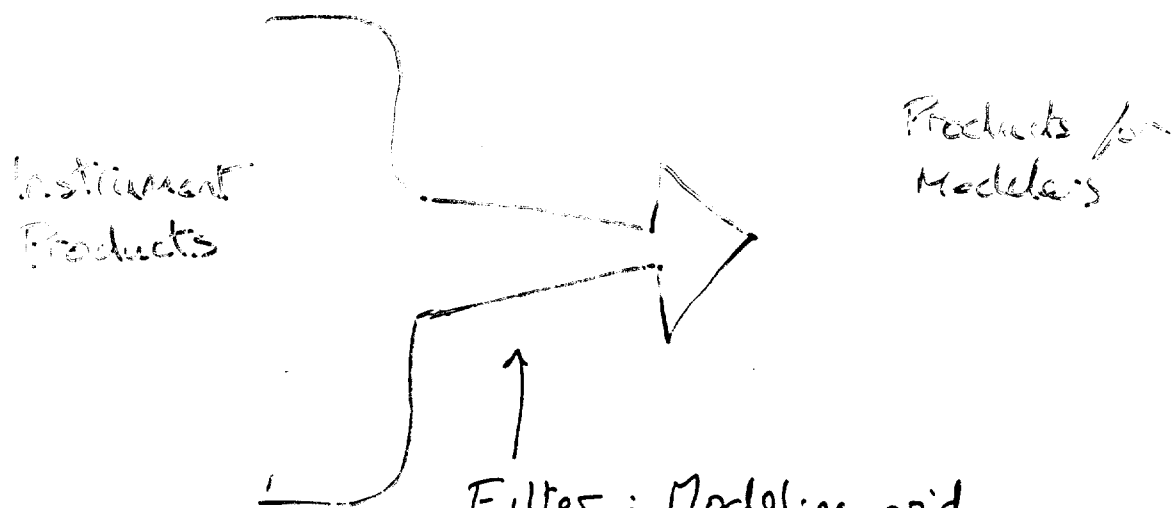
PROPOSAL II: Generate a set of high level (L3 and above) products for modelers, to a common nested grid

Accepted (so far): Objective is to provide modelers with easy-to-use, homogeneous data sets for large-scale modelers

- NWP and Climate Models
- Carbon cycle models
- Biogeochemists
- Oceanographers?



Sheer size of original products
 Technical incomprehension
 Grids (Space and time)



- Filter: Modeling grid
- Common grids (easy-to-handle)
 - Coarser resolution (manageable)
 - Generated by teams
 (technically kosher, but comprehensible)



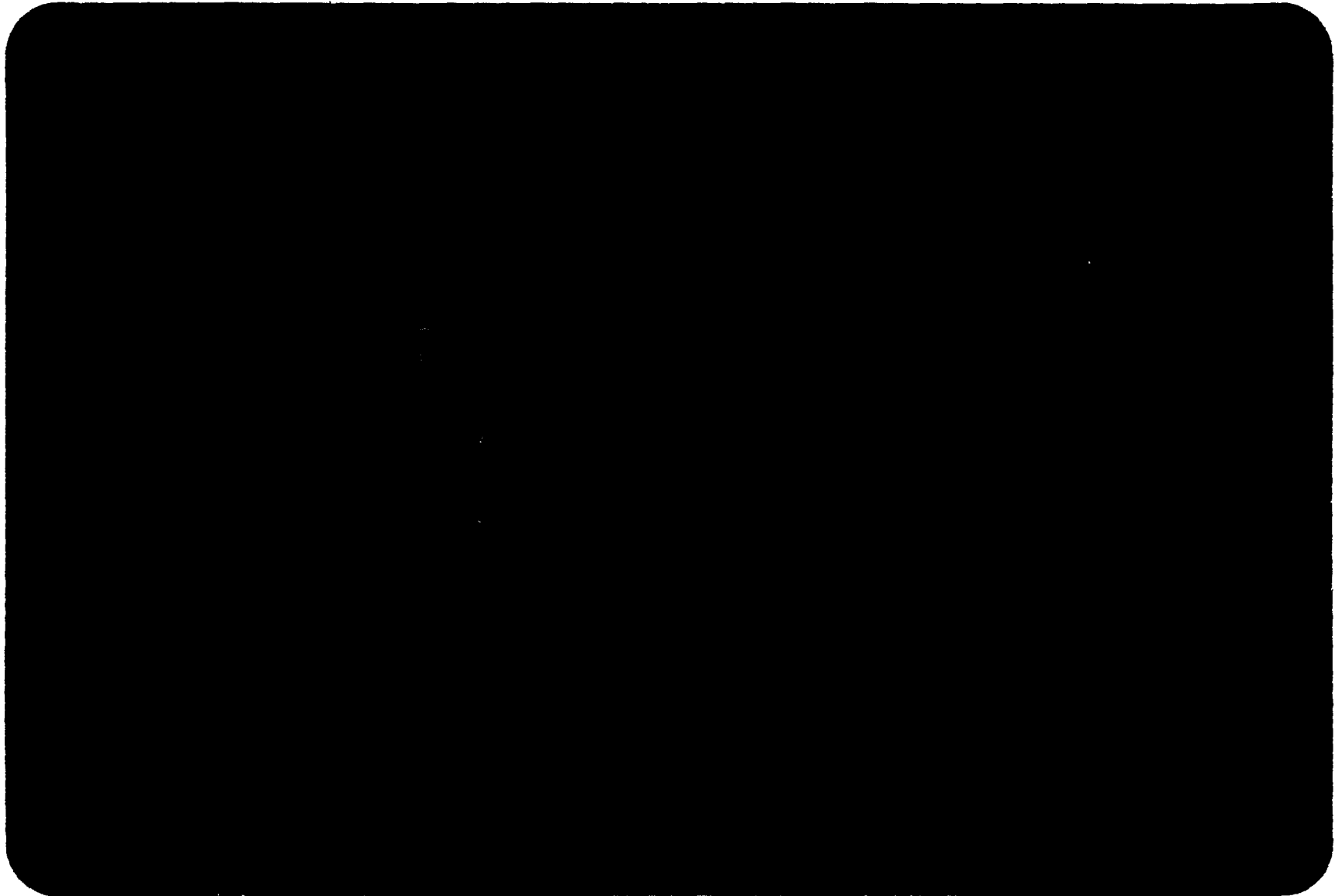
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COMPUTER GRAPHIC FORMAT



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Table 2: Data Sets on the CD

Temporal Resolutions are Given in the Right-Hand Column

Notes:

- "Monthly 3-hourly" refers to values that are monthly means of 3-hourly data. Thus, all the 0000Z values for a month are averaged into a single value, also the 0300Z values, etc.
- The snow-free albedo data set in section A is based on NDVI fields and a model calculation, the albedo field in section D is based on ERBE data, and the fields in section E originate from a survey of in-situ work.
- The documentation for the vegetation class data in section A includes vegetation morphological and physiological parameters associated with each vegetation type in the SiB2 model of Sellers et al. (In prep.).

A. VEGETATION: LAND COVER AND BIOPHYSICS—(NASA/GSFC, CSU, U. Maryland)

NDVI, FASIR-NDVI	Monthly	Background (soil/litter) reflectance
FPAR, LAI, Greenness	Monthly	(Vis, NIR)
Surface roughness, snow-free albedo	Monthly	Vegetation class
		Fixed
		Fixed

B. HYDROLOGY AND SOILS

(GPCP, GRDC, U. Arizona, Trent U., NCAR, FAO, NASA GSFC, NASA GISS)

Precipitation (GPCP)	Monthly	Lake, river, marsh cover percentage
River runoff (GRDC; 14 basins)	Monthly	Soil texture, depth, slope
		Fixed
		Fixed

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Table 2: Data Sets on the CD, continued
 Temporal Resolutions are Given in the Right-Hand Column

C. SNOW, ICE AND OCEANS
 (NOAA/NESDIS, Rutgers U., USAF, NOAA/NMC, US Navy, NCAR)

Snow cover; depth	Monthly	Land-ocean boundary	Fixed
Sea ice, SST	Monthly		

D. RADIATION AND CLOUDS
 (U. of Maryland, NASA/LaRC, ISCCP, NASA/GISS)

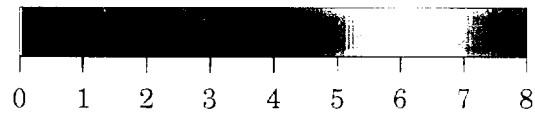
Surface and TOA incoming and outgoing shortwave	Monthly 3-hourly	Surface net shortwave, net longwave, net radiation fluxes	Monthly
Surface incoming PAR fluxes	Monthly	Cloud amount, cloud top pressure	Monthly
Surface incoming shortwave and longwave radiation fluxes	Monthly	Optical thickness, water path	Monthly
		Clear-sky albedo (ERBE)	Monthly

E. NEAR-SURFACE METEOROLOGY
 (ECMWF, NASA/GSFC, NOAA/NMC, NASA/LaRC, GPCP)

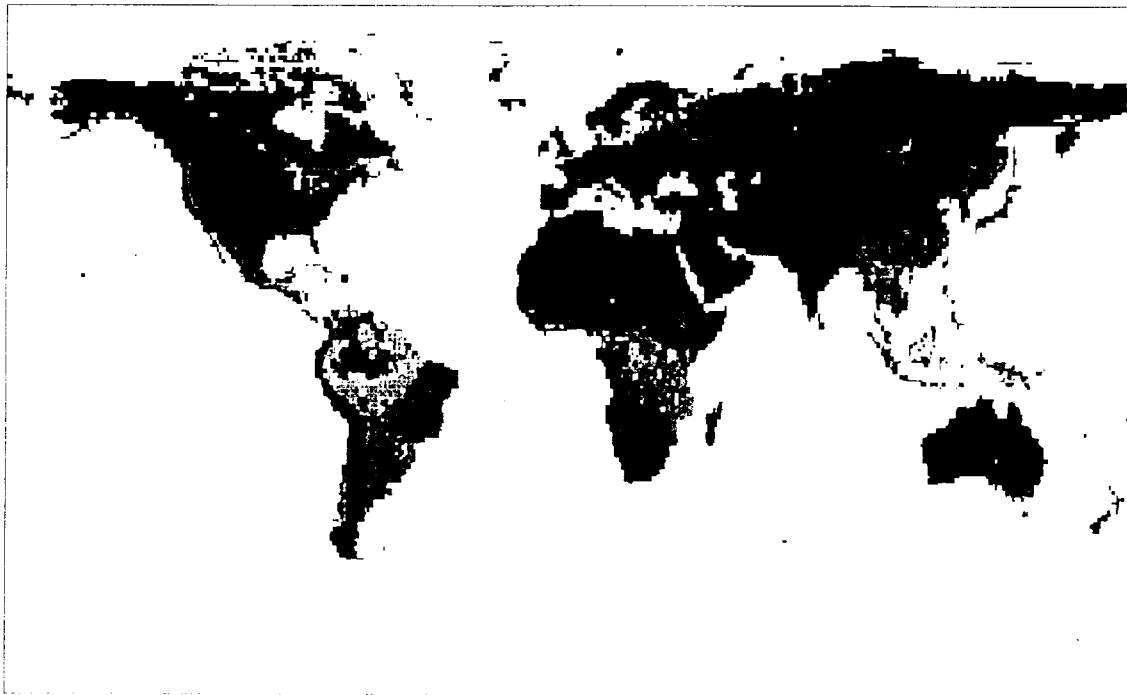
(i) Prescribed/diagnostic fields		Surface sensible and latent heat fluxes	Monthly 6-hourly
Soil moisture	Monthly	Net surface and TOA shortwave, longwave fluxes	Monthly 6-hourly
Deep soil temperature and soil wetness	Monthly		
Snow depth	Monthly	(iii) Diurnally-resolved (6-hourly) forcing fields	
Albedo, surface roughness	Fixed	Surface pressure, air temperature, dew point, wind speed	6-hourly
(ii) Monthly 6-hourly forcing fields		Hybrid longwave and shortwave incoming radiation fluxes	6-hourly
Surface pressure, air temperature, dew point	Monthly 6-hourly	Hybrid total precipitation and convective precipitation	6-hourly
Surface temperature	Monthly 6-hourly		
Mean sea level pressure	Monthly 6-hourly		
u, v wind speed and stress	Monthly 6-hourly		

Leaf Area Index January

SiB1



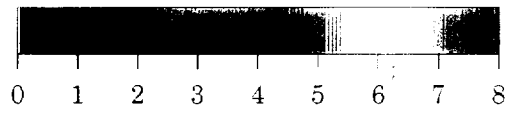
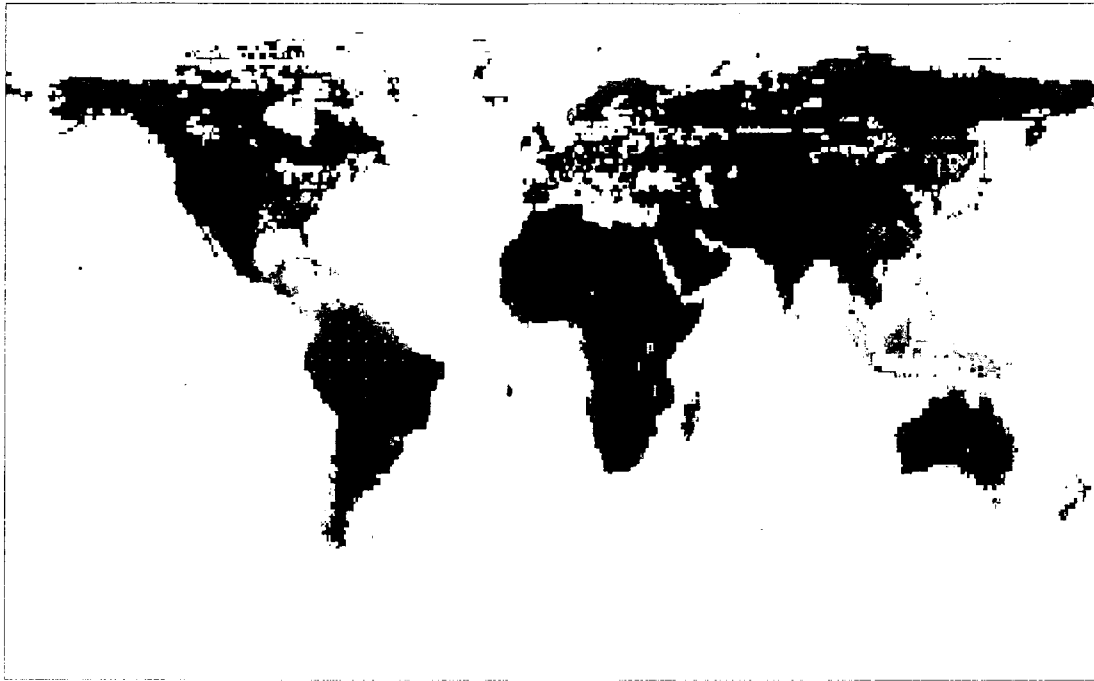
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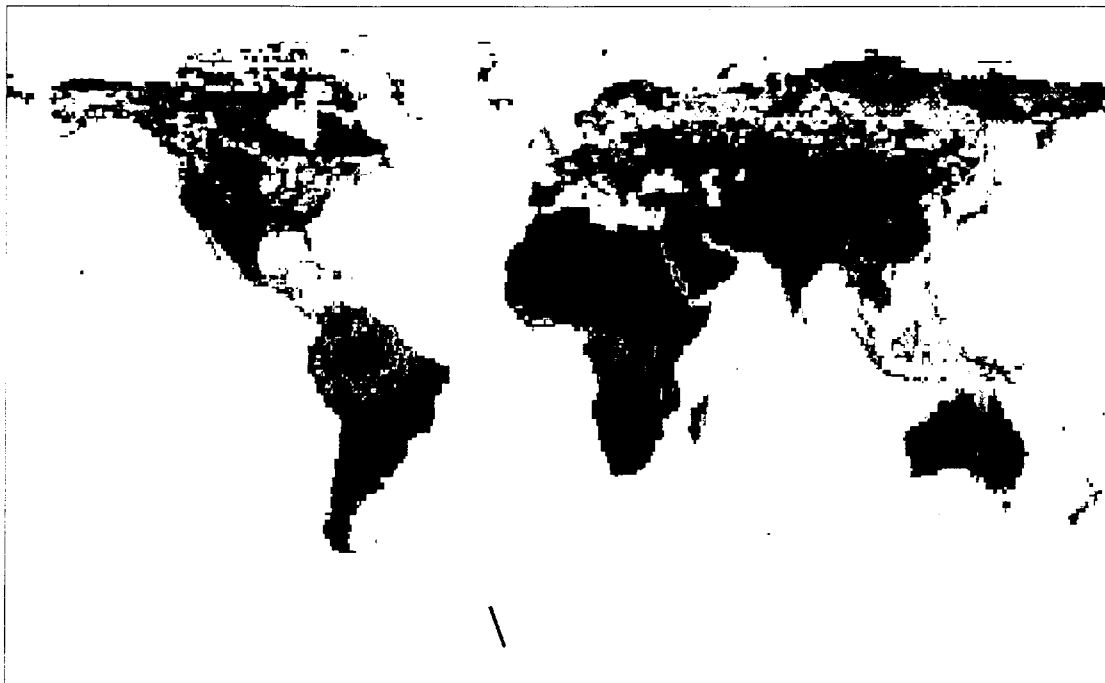
Leaf Area Index

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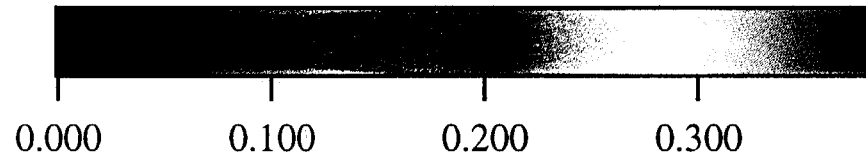
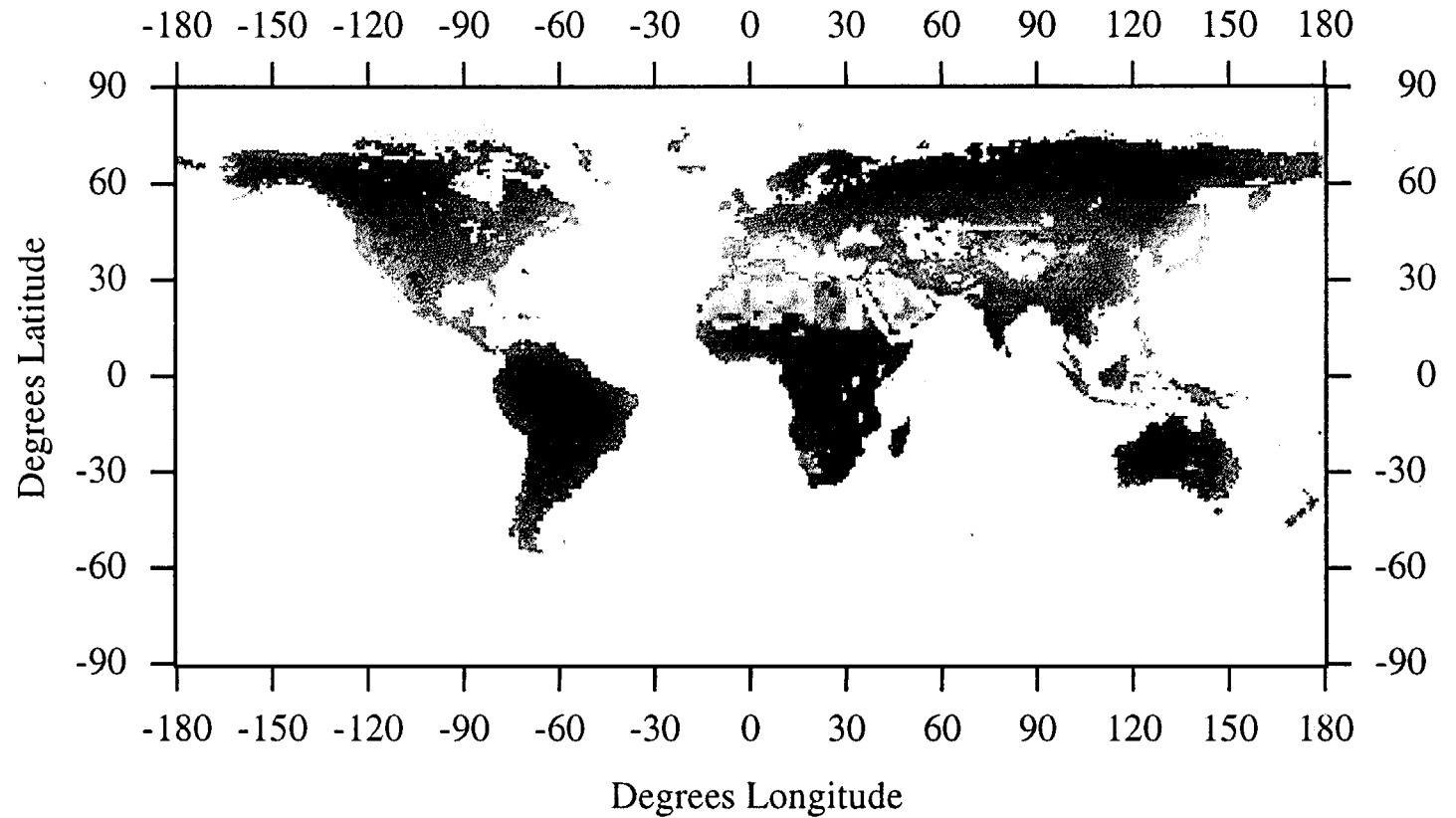
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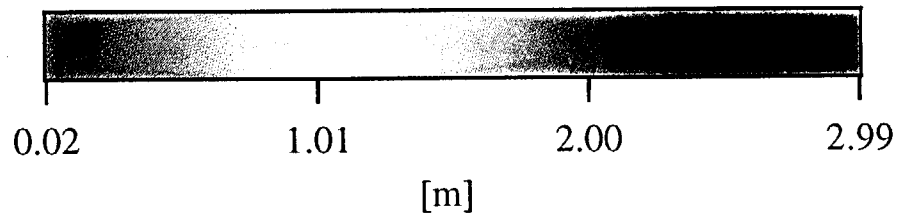
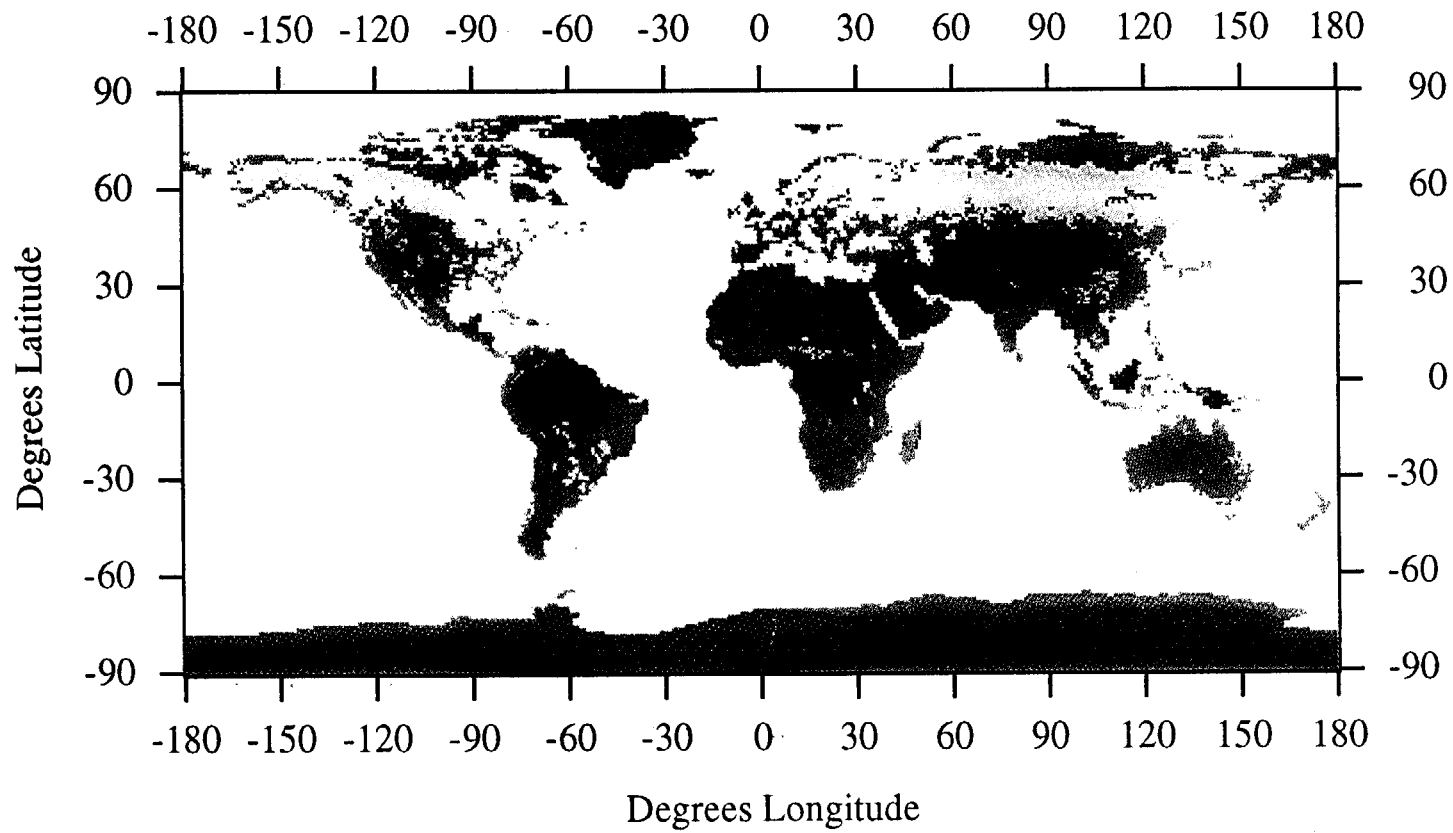
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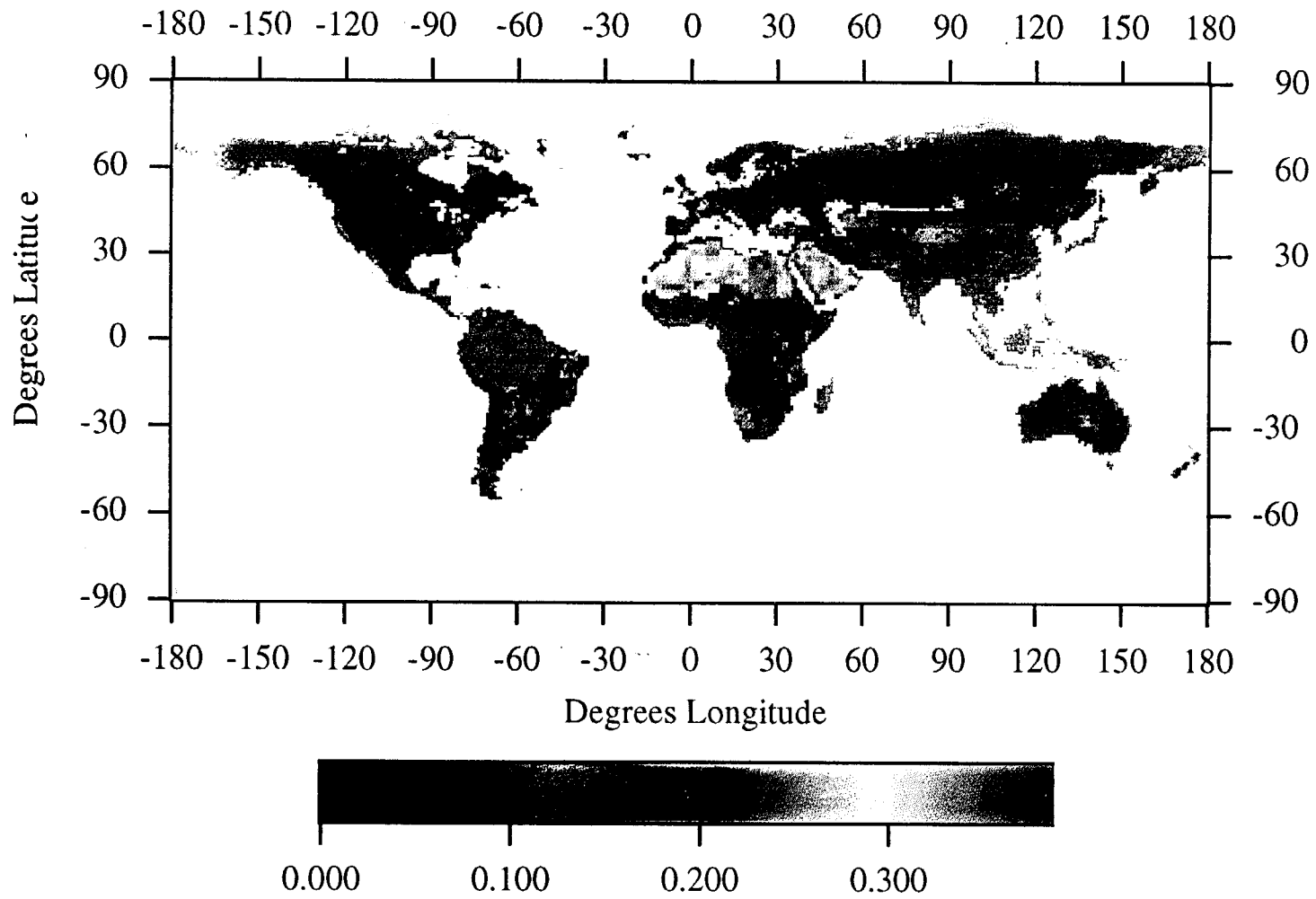
CSU, NASA/GSFC Soil/Background Hemispherical Reflectance
(Visible)



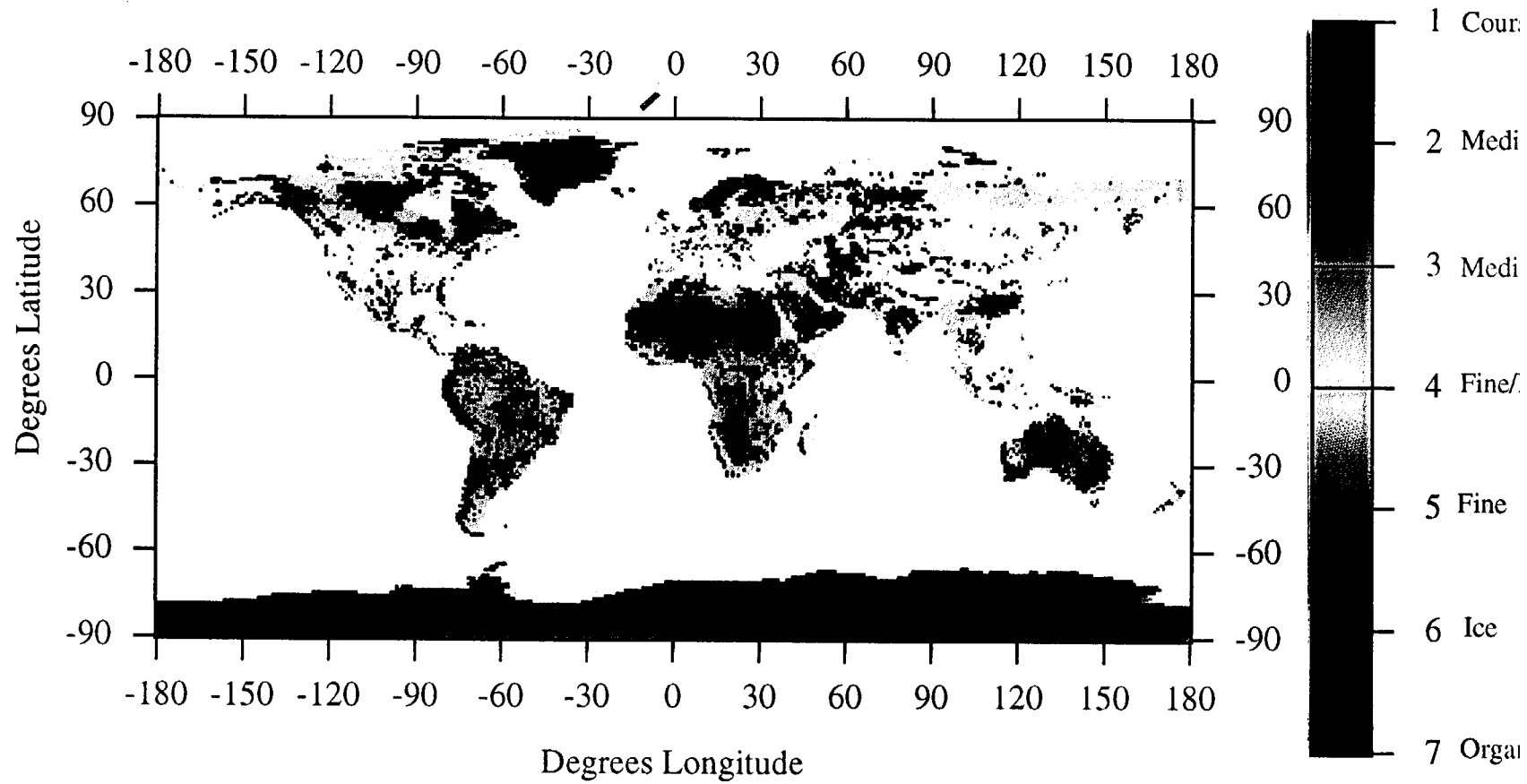
NASA/GSFC Monthly Surface Roughness
July 1987

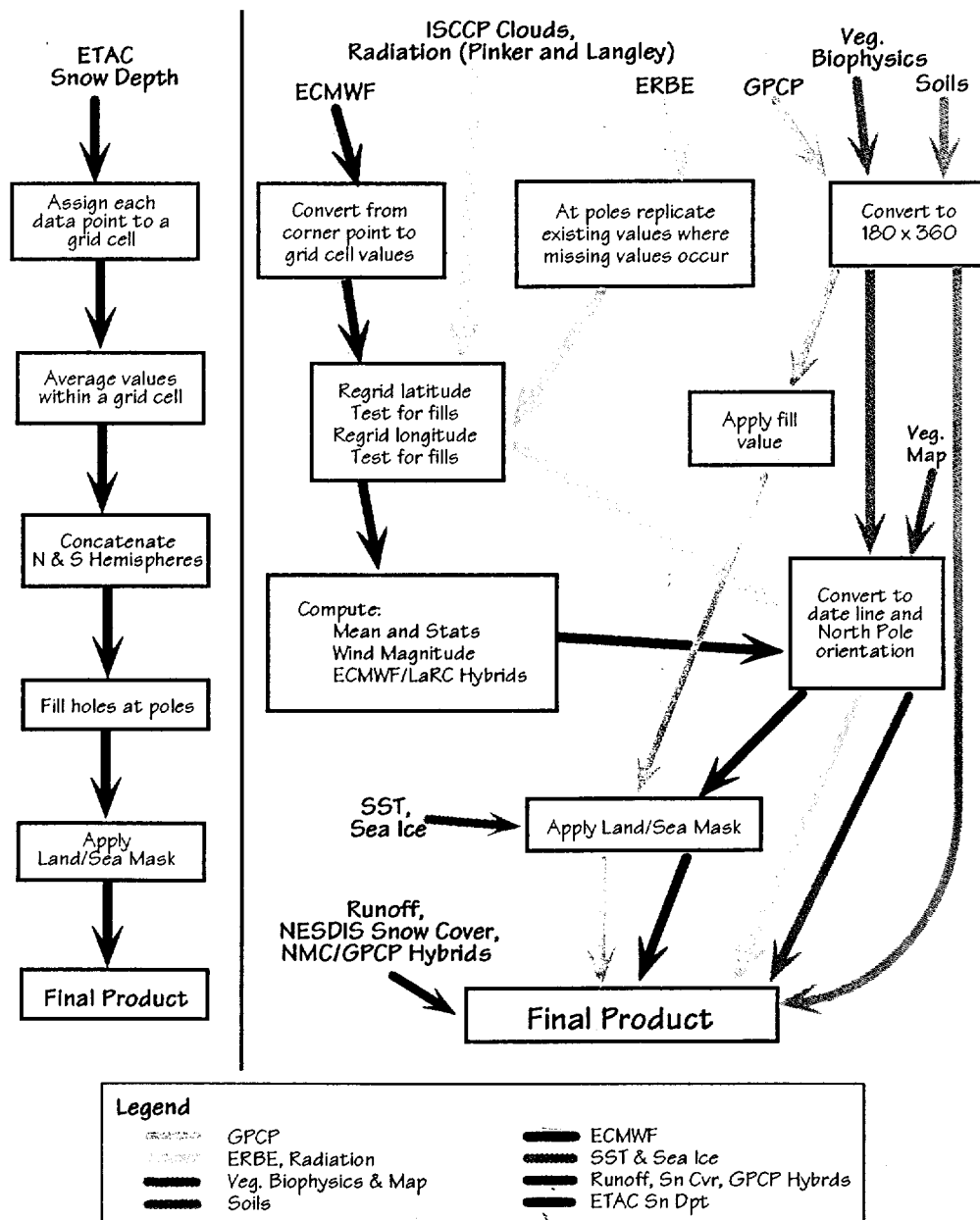


CSU, NASA/GSFC Monthly Snow Free Albedo
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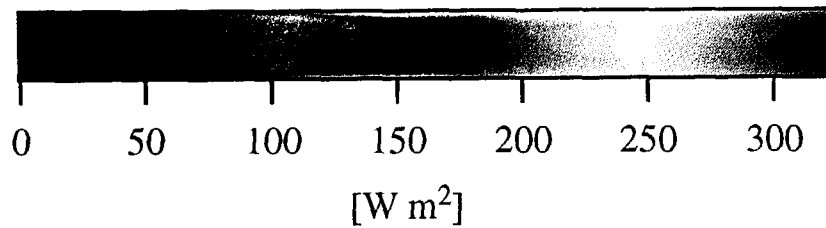
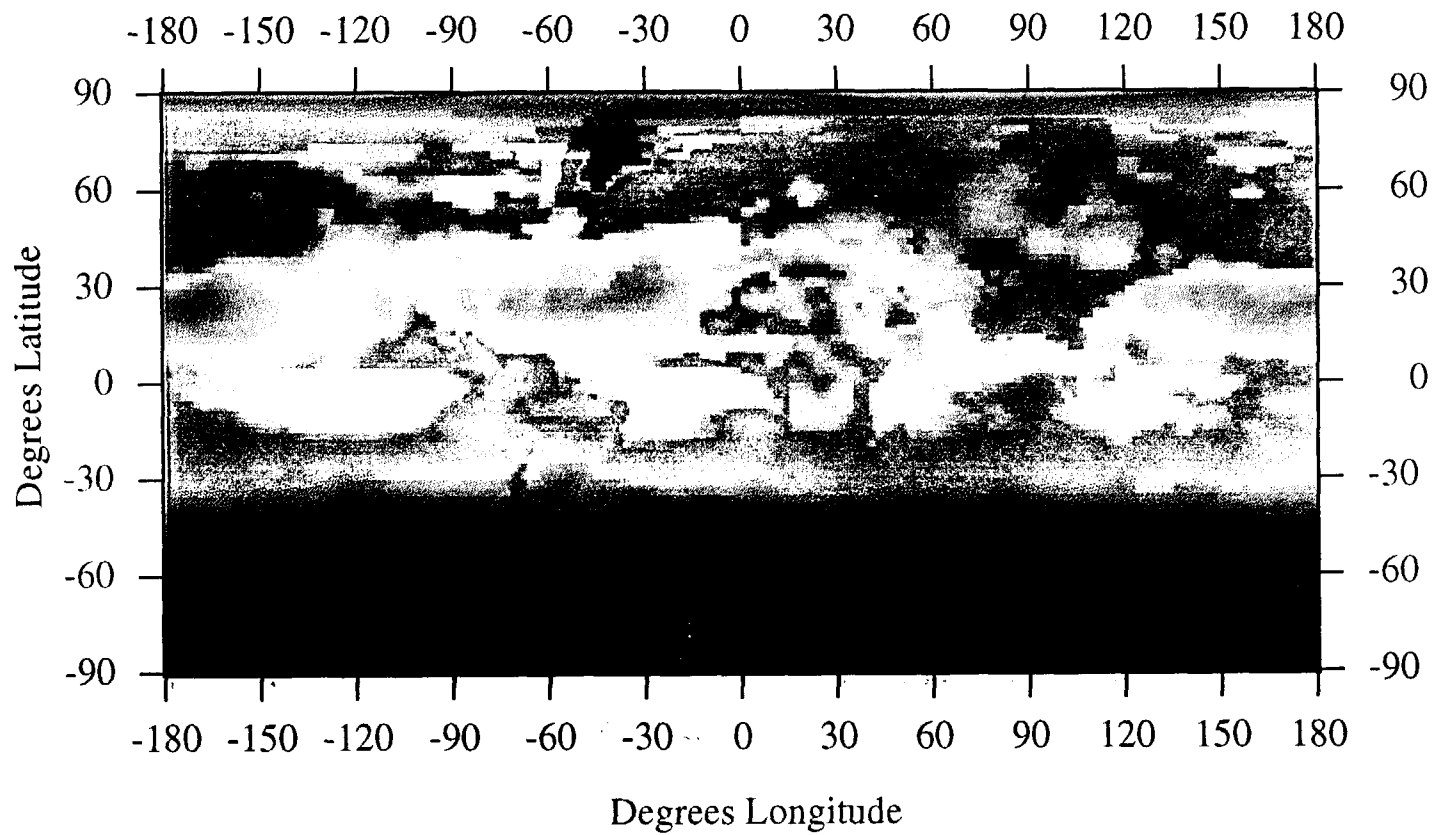


FAO, UA, NASA/GSFC, NASA/GISS Soil Type





NASA Langley Monthly Net Shortwave Radiation
July 1987



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MESSAGE: EOS-AM Model Grid Products

Dear Friends,

We intend to generate coarse-spatial resolution data products from EOS-AM for use by modelers (NWP, Climate, Carbon Cycle, Oceanography). Currently the proposal is for:

- Equal-angle grid with $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$ resolution with nested cells at 0.5° , 0.25° for some land and ocean products.
- Cells start at 90°N , 180°W and are aligned between integer lat/lon lines i.e. the first $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$ cell will cover $89^{\circ} - 90^{\circ}\text{N}$, 180°W to 179°W .
- Time resolution is roughly 10 days; for each month:
1-10
11-20
21-end of month

This is so that these periods can be added up easily to make monthly products.

This scheme looks a lot like the ISLSCP data sets that you have already seen. It is acceptable to representatives of the EOS-AM instruments. Is it OK by you lot?

NASA Langley, NASA/GSFC, ECMWF 6 Hourly Longwave Radiation
1200 GMT, July 1, 1987

