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## Interactive comment on "Development of flood probability charts for urban drainage network in coastal areas through a simplified joint assessment approach" by R. Archetti et al.

## **Anonymous Referee #3**

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I apologise for lateness of comments. I enjoyed the paper, which is relatively well written but I would not regard it as leading edge science. However I would not exclude it from being published.

- 1. Effectively this is a methodology which is based on assessment based on two critical durations. The results are therefore unsurprising as the accuracy of any storm event is a function of its characteristics for the two critical durations and its return period characteristics at other durations.
- 2. Making it a function of %age of manholes is a very coarse method of assessment.

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This analysis had the opportunity to make it a more risk based approach by looking at flooding consequence.

- 3. Joint probability dependency between rainfall and sea level surge is not discussed.
- 4. Best practice has moved on from node flooding to 2D flood analysis and consequence analysis.

I apologise for the brevity of these remarks.

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