

## ***Interactive comment on “Long-range forecasting of intermittent streamflow” by F. F. van Ogtrop et al.***

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Thank you Dr. Sharma for your comments. The results (Brier skill score BSS and receiver operating characteristic ROC) are indeed based on cross-validation (see page 689 lines 21 and 22 which could indeed be more clearly stated). Model selection was based on a stepwise approach using a Generalized Akaike Information Criterion. This approach tested model fit versus number of parameters where the parameters were either smoothed or linear predictors. Hence, this approach could select a traditionally used simple linear or generalized linear model or a more complex generalized additive model. The results expressed as a GAIC value could be documented for each model (combination and type of parameters) tested. However, we chose not to include these results due to the volume of the output.

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