

***Interactive comment on* “Catchment classification based on characterisation of streamflow and precipitation time-series” by E. Toth**

Anonymous Referee #2

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This is an interesting, timely and good quality study suitable for publication in HESS. I have just a few comments to make the manuscript more broadly appealing to the HESS readership.

My main suggestion is to add a more detailed discussion of the physical reasons for the classification found. At the moment it is predominantly an empirical analysis (which is fine in principle), but I think that a discussion and visualization of the physical and climatic variability across the study region would be very beneficial. For example visualizing the variability of the characteristics in figures 2 and 3 (or an additional figure) would be helpful for understanding the significance of the classification found and would strengthen the PCA. Including some further discussion of these issues in the main text

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would be nice as well.

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