

To further exam the efficiency of 11-year moving average method in removing water storage change in study area, we use ABCD (Thomas, 1981) model to simulate the three sub-basins discharge change. Results are shown as following:

5      **1. Model calibration and validation**

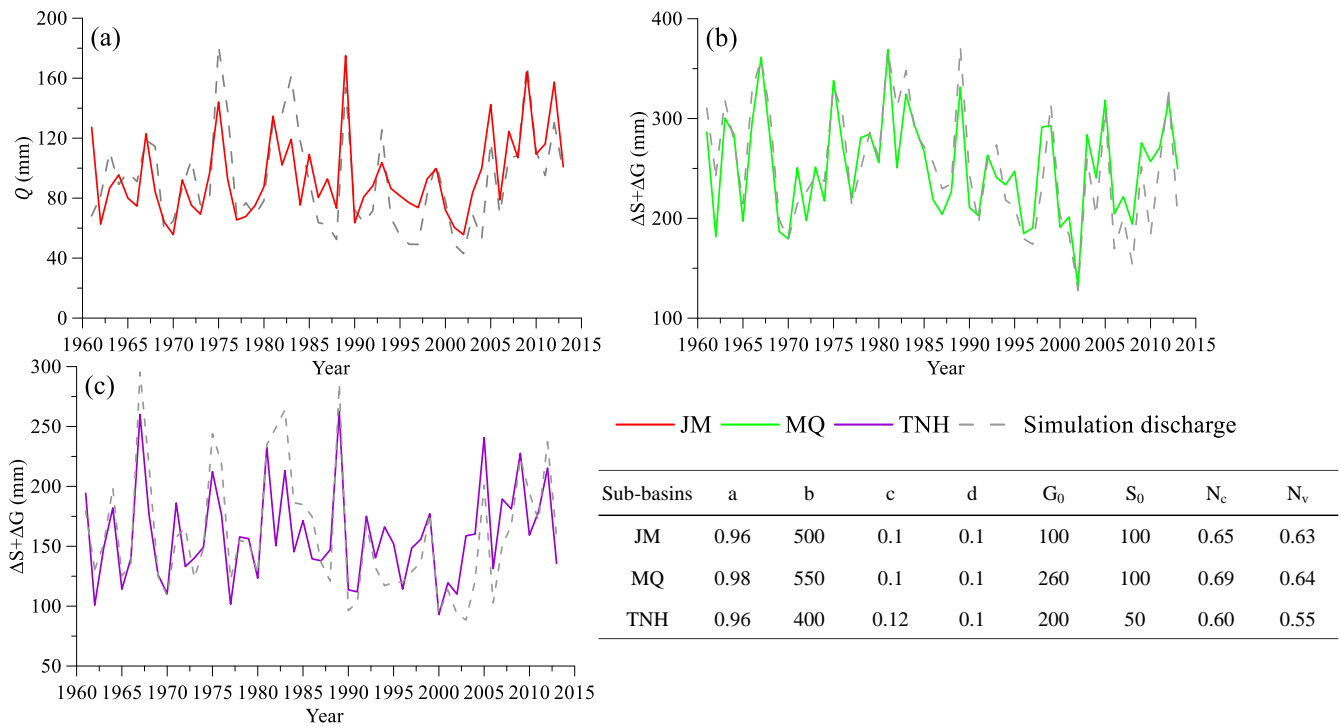


Figure 1 Discharge simulated by ABCD

The performance of ABCD model is evaluated by Nash–Sutcliffe efficiency. Generally model performance is very good if  $R^2 > 0.75$ , satisfactory if  $0.36 < R^2 < 0.75$ , and unsatisfactory if  $R^2 < 0.36$  (Nashand Sutcliffe, 1970; Krause et al., 2005; Moriasi et al., 2007).

**2. Water storage variation**

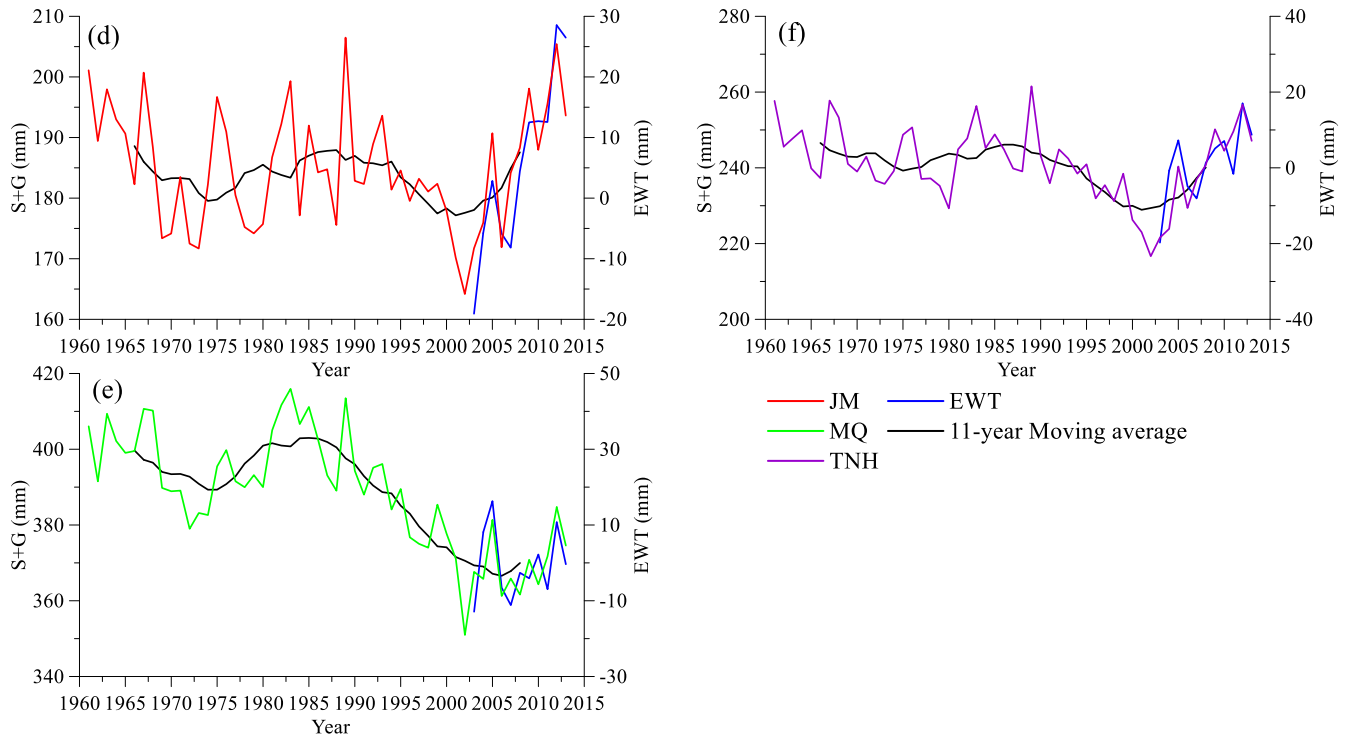


Figure 2 Water storage change obtained by ABCD model

Here S+G indicates annual soil water and ground water storage. Blue lines indicate EWT obtained for ensemble mean of the three Grace datasets. Simulated S+G agrees well with EWT. It proves efficiency of ABCD model in simulation discharge of the three sub-basins.

### 3. $\Delta(S+G)$ obtained by 11-year moving average method

$$\Delta(S + G) = (S + G)_i - (S + G)_{i-1}$$

$(S + G)_i$  indicates each value of 11-year moving average (S+G) series shown in Fig. 2.

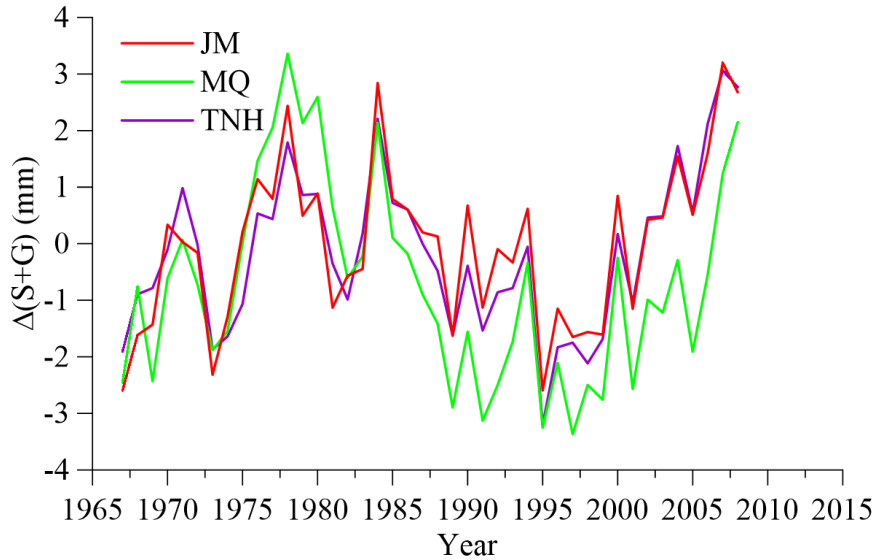


Figure 3 Water storage change

As indicated by Fig. 3,  $\Delta(S+G)$  amplitudes of the three sub-basins are less than 3 mm. So by using 11-year moving average method, water storage change is negligible in this study area.

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