

***Interactive comment on* “The precipitation variability of wet and dry season at the interannual and interdecadal scales over eastern China (1901–2016): The impacts of the Pacific Ocean” by Tao Gao et al.**

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This paper aims to identify the dominant variability modes of precipitation in dry (October- March) and wet seasons over eastern China. Here are some suggestions to improve the manuscript. 1. It is suggested to highlight more clearly the novelty of this study in the Introduction Section. As in the current version, it cannot be clearly seen. 2. Before introducing different precipitation datasets and different analysis methods, it is suggested to briefly state how the datasets are related, and how using different datasets (methods) serve different analysis purposes. 3. There are some minor mistakes require attention, for instance, L215, symbol ‘alpha’ cannot be properly displayed.

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L237~238 and L791: grammar mistakes.

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