

Remote sensing-aided large-scale rainfall-runoff modelling in the humid tropics

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40 **Introduction**

This supplementary material contains additional results for the precipitation bias correction. Figures S1 and S2 show the errors obtained by the bias correction technique at different time scales and the comparison of annual streamflow and precipitation.

Tables show detailed model performance results and simulated hydrological signatures for the monitored catchments.

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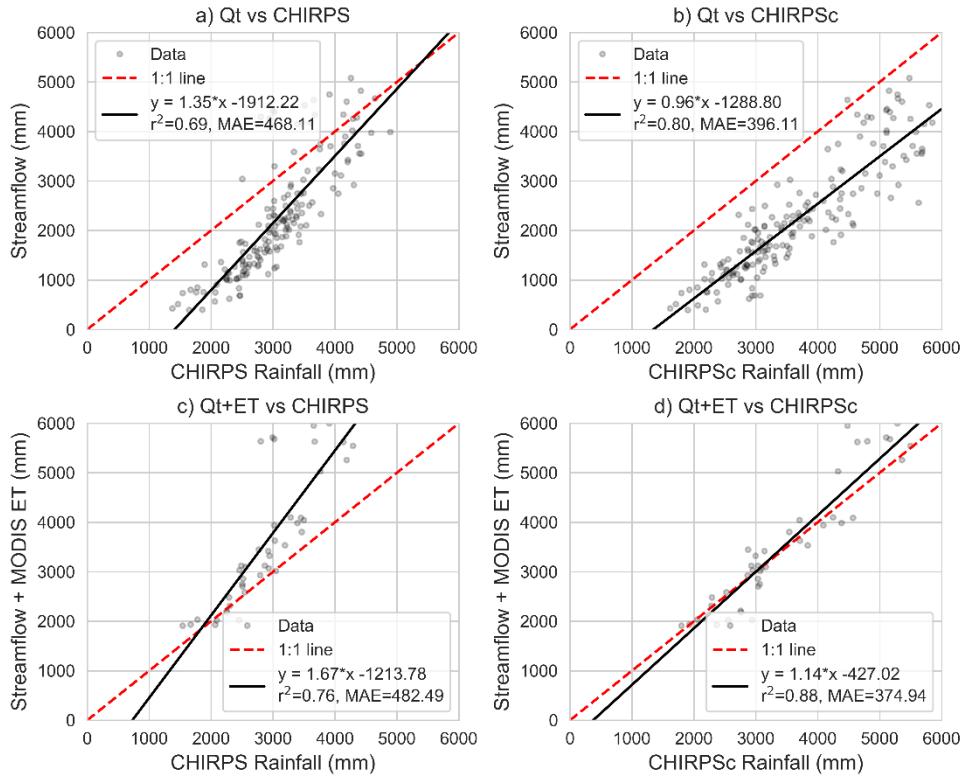


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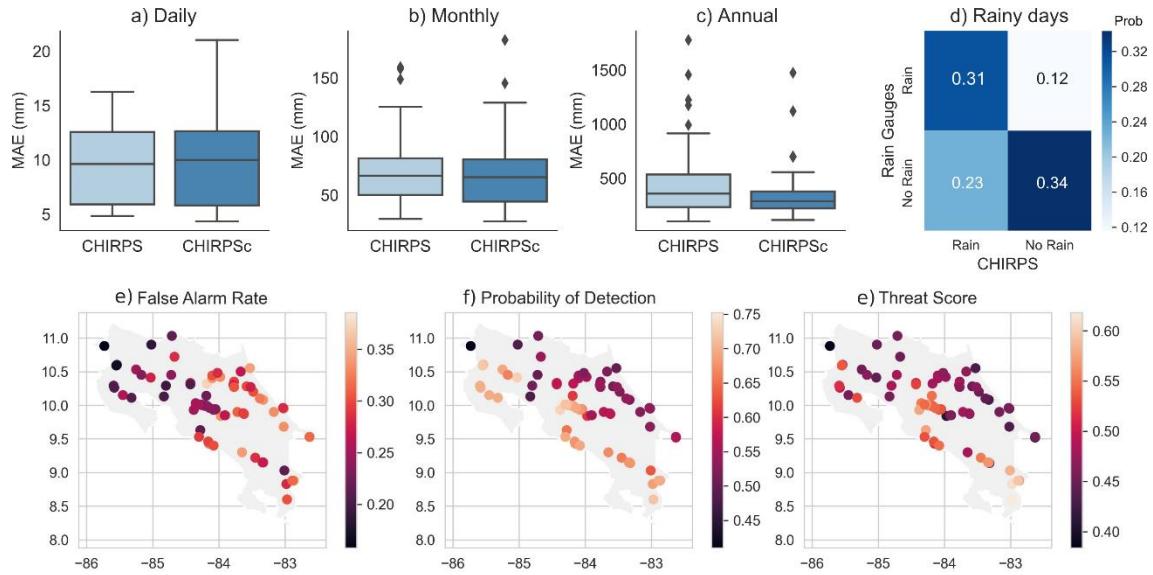


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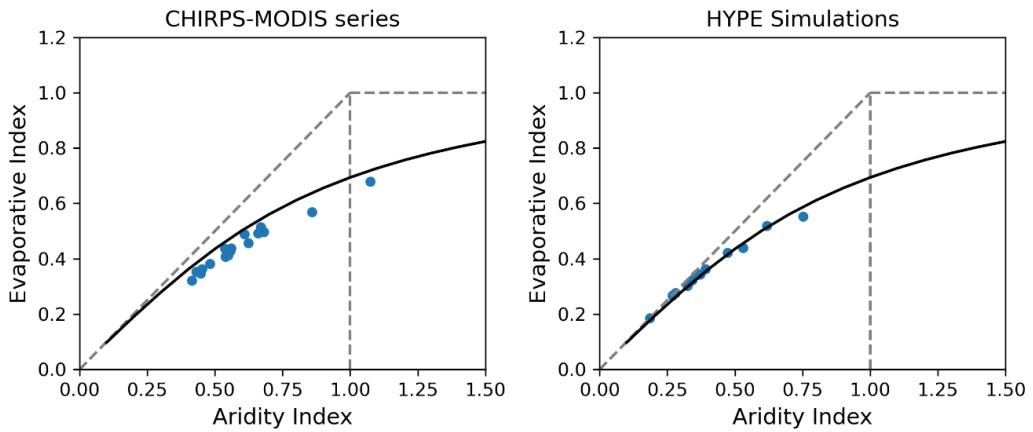


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Model	Variable	Calibration				Validation			
		KGE	CC	MAE	NSE	KGE	CC	MAE	NSE
M1	Qtd	0.54 \pm 0.09	0.64 \pm 0.12	23.87 \pm 29.57	0.24 \pm 0.24	0.42 \pm 0.50	0.65 \pm 0.18	25.76 \pm 31.33	0.21 \pm 0.44
	Qtm	0.60 \pm 0.18	0.83 \pm 0.08	16.99 \pm 20.51	0.66 \pm 0.12	0.42 \pm 0.72	0.84 \pm 0.09	17.52 \pm 20.20	0.59 \pm 0.22
	ETm	0.29 \pm 0.29	0.38 \pm 0.30	20.72 \pm 9.89	-1.63 \pm 2.60	0.28 \pm 0.34	0.37 \pm 0.33	19.43 \pm 9.05	-1.58 \pm 2.82
	PETm	0.64 \pm 0.09	0.74 \pm 0.04	27.54 \pm 10.66	-0.71 \pm 2.15	0.64 \pm 0.11	0.75 \pm 0.04	27.06 \pm 10.91	-0.72 \pm 2.34
M2	Qtd	0.53 \pm 0.08	0.63 \pm 0.12	21.19 \pm 25.97	0.11 \pm 0.32	0.45 \pm 0.25	0.63 \pm 0.16	23.74 \pm 29.08	0.03 \pm 0.47
	Qtm	0.67 \pm 0.11	0.82 \pm 0.07	15.09 \pm 18.2	0.61 \pm 0.14	0.54 \pm 0.50	0.83 \pm 0.08	16.95 \pm 20.25	0.49 \pm 0.25
	ETm	0.04 \pm 0.33	0.43 \pm 0.22	31.88 \pm 18.54	-1.64 \pm 2.12	0.06 \pm 0.31	0.44 \pm 0.24	28.86 \pm 16.06	-1.50 \pm 2.12
	PETm	0.43 \pm 0.28	0.74 \pm 0.04	37.70 \pm 15.77	-0.53 \pm 2.17	0.37 \pm 0.32	0.75 \pm 0.04	36.53 \pm 14.62	-0.51 \pm 2.38
M3	Qtd	0.45 \pm 0.2	0.62 \pm 0.12	24.67 \pm 29.81	0.23 \pm 0.2	0.39 \pm 0.36	0.63 \pm 0.16	25.45 \pm 29.36	0.25 \pm 0.35
	Qtm	0.59 \pm 0.21	0.82 \pm 0.08	16.89 \pm 20.84	0.62 \pm 0.14	0.45 \pm 0.52	0.83 \pm 0.09	15.45 \pm 16.65	0.58 \pm 0.21
	ETm	0.49 \pm 0.17	0.59 \pm 0.17	17.51 \pm 6.04	-0.96 \pm 2.44	0.48 \pm 0.19	0.59 \pm 0.18	17.58 \pm 6.46	-1.15 \pm 2.62
	PETm	0.61 \pm 0.10	0.74 \pm 0.04	35.145 \pm 11.18	-2.15 \pm 3.12	0.62 \pm 0.09	0.75 \pm 0.04	35.42 \pm 12.03	-2.35 \pm 3.50
M4	Qtd	0.47 \pm 0.17	0.62 \pm 0.12	24.84 \pm 30.78	0.21 \pm 0.21	0.40 \pm 0.35	0.63 \pm 0.17	25.41 \pm 29.86	0.21 \pm 0.43
	Qtm	0.59 \pm 0.21	0.82 \pm 0.08	17.26 \pm 21.62	0.62 \pm 0.14	0.44 \pm 0.53	0.83 \pm 0.09	15.19 \pm 16.09	0.59 \pm 0.21
	ETm	0.49 \pm 0.17	0.59 \pm 0.17	17.36 \pm 5.95	-0.88 \pm 2.36	0.47 \pm 0.20	0.59 \pm 0.19	17.41 \pm 6.37	-1.05 \pm 2.53
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Statistic	Model	Cariblanco	Oriente	Dos Montanas	Terron Colorado	Guatuso
Mean.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	8.51	28.75	53.65	137.58	26.7
	M1	8.09	29.3	53.69	135.87	28.1
	M2	7.73	28.65	48.98	125.69	25.37
	M3	9.32	33.65	63.29	139.28	29.09
	M4	9.32	33.64	63.25	139.07	29.11
Median.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	7.44	26.1	47.2	127	21
	M1	7.74	29.01	51.86	120.42	19.06
	M2	6.16	27.73	43.23	95.95	15.68
	M3	8.4	31.53	56.67	116.81	20.08
	M4	8.79	32.34	59.75	121.63	21.16
Slope.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	10.05	44.43	78.18	213.41	43.33
	M1	18.99	73	128.03	500.44	97.06
	M2	15.24	69.23	93.46	363.09	68.96
	M3	24.62	76.73	131.15	417.68	75.91
	M4	23.2	76.04	126.09	443.05	80.24
CV.Qtd (-)	Obs	0.74	0.62	0.71	0.64	0.99
	M1	0.83	0.74	0.73	0.9	1.04
	M2	0.99	0.73	0.69	0.88	1.11
	M3	0.99	0.74	0.74	0.83	0.99
	M4	0.87	0.71	0.7	0.82	0.95
SC (-)	Obs	0.66	0.71	0.61	0.54	0.67
	M1	0.62	0.72	0.61	0.53	0.70
	M2	0.59	0.70	0.55	0.49	0.63
	M3	0.72	0.82	0.72	0.54	0.72
	M4	0.72	0.82	0.72	0.54	0.72
AI (-)	Obs	0.3	0.31	0.38	0.44	0.34
	M1	0.4	0.31	0.4	0.41	0.38
	M2	0.44	0.33	0.46	0.49	0.48
	M3	0.28	0.19	0.27	0.37	0.34
	M4	0.28	0.19	0.27	0.37	0.34
EI (-)	Obs	0.25	0.24	0.31	0.35	0.26
	M1	0.38	0.3	0.38	0.36	0.35
	M2	0.41	0.32	0.44	0.41	0.42
	M3	0.28	0.19	0.27	0.35	0.32
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Statistic	Model	Providencia	Tacares	Guapinol	Caracucho	El Rey	Rancho Rey	Guardia	Palmar
Mean.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	6.8	11.16	10.52	72.31	34.92	9.52	24.51	301.65
	M1	8.35	10.98	9.39	60.38	29.98	12.07	25.32	312.64
	M2	8.27	10.87	9.34	57.66	29.18	11.25	23.64	306.44
	M3	10.3	13.66	10.38	75.75	36.34	12.66	30.34	353.03
	M4	10.3	13.61	10.33	75.59	36.15	12.62	30.25	352.19
Median.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	4.44	8.35	6.35	50	17.6	6.72	12.6	216
	M1	6.14	6.94	3.82	43.13	16.88	5.54	9.11	264.58
	M2	5.39	6.99	5.07	38.36	18.49	7.47	13.11	236.48
	M3	7.39	9.26	6.09	58.96	20.59	8.74	12.49	299.49
	M4	8.07	9.14	4.82	60.19	19.03	7.47	10.83	301.87
Slope.Qtd ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	Obs	12.27	18.11	20.15	133.19	63.02	10.09	20.76	687.88
	M1	22.58	34.91	25.92	166.87	78.79	28.85	51.15	972.81
	M2	13.92	22.84	22.58	90.28	60.29	24.86	30.71	699.81
	M3	33.63	40.65	25.42	187.28	88.75	26.42	46.49	959.84
	M4	31.56	44.28	25.86	201.09	96.28	26.92	42.32	1018.52
CV.Qtd (-)	Obs	0.96	0.68	1.39	1.01	1.39	1.12	2.08	1.04
	M1	0.98	1	1.21	0.95	1.15	1.2	1.68	0.92
	M2	0.93	1.02	1.11	0.89	1.1	0.95	1.39	0.9
	M3	1.03	1.01	1.06	0.83	1.08	0.89	1.42	0.85
	M4	0.95	1.01	1.08	0.82	1.09	0.91	1.42	0.85
RC (-)	Obs	0.48	0.53	0.59	0.62	0.58	0.38	0.36	0.58
	M1	0.60	0.52	0.53	0.53	0.50	0.48	0.38	0.60
	M2	0.59	0.52	0.52	0.50	0.49	0.44	0.35	0.59
	M3	0.74	0.65	0.58	0.66	0.61	0.50	0.46	0.68
	M4	0.74	0.65	0.58	0.66	0.61	0.50	0.46	0.68
AI (-)	Obs	0.54	0.52	0.73	0.54	0.66	0.8	0.94	0.51
	M1	0.56	0.63	0.67	0.54	0.69	0.68	0.87	0.47
	M2	0.56	0.66	0.7	0.58	0.74	0.76	0.97	0.49
	M3	0.33	0.39	0.53	0.36	0.47	0.63	0.72	0.35
	M4	0.33	0.39	0.53	0.36	0.47	0.63	0.72	0.35
EI (-)	Obs	0.39	0.42	0.54	0.41	0.51	0.53	0.6	0.39
	M1	0.45	0.5	0.5	0.47	0.53	0.56	0.63	0.4
	M2	0.46	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.54	0.6	0.65	0.42
	M3	0.31	0.36	0.44	0.34	0.42	0.53	0.54	0.33
	M4	0.31	0.37	0.44	0.34	0.42	0.54	0.54	0.33