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Unfortunately an error in Eq. (1) was not noticed during the editorial process. The average of the return periods is not calculated with the area A but with the number of pixels n (Müller and Kaspar, 2014). For pixels of a size of 1 km^2 (e.g. RADOLAN or RADKLIM) n is identical to A. When using other grids with different sizes, it is important to use n.

Therefore Eq. (1) should be as follows:

$$E_{t,A} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln(T_{t,i})}{n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{A}}{\sqrt{\pi}},\tag{1}$$

where $E_{t,A}$ describes the extremeness for a duration t and a spatial extent A and is the product of the mean of the common logarithm of the return periods T for a respective set of n pixels and a weighted measure of the area A (for which Müller and Kaspar, 2014, suggested the radius R of a circle whose area A is equal to the pixel group area).

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