

I appreciate the efforts conducted by the authors since they tried to answer all my points. While I'm not completely convinced by it, I recommend it for publication after a few minors.

1. Table 4: missing. Probably table 5 should be renamed to table 4

Response: Thanks for the expert opinion, the table 5 has been renamed to table 4.

2. Figure 1 The names of the rain gauge stations are not visible; I suggest the authors use different font colours; moreover, in the legend DEM in m asl.

Response: Thanks for the expert opinion, in order to make the name of the rainfall station clear, Figure 1 has been readjusted. Moreover, in the legend DEM in m asl.

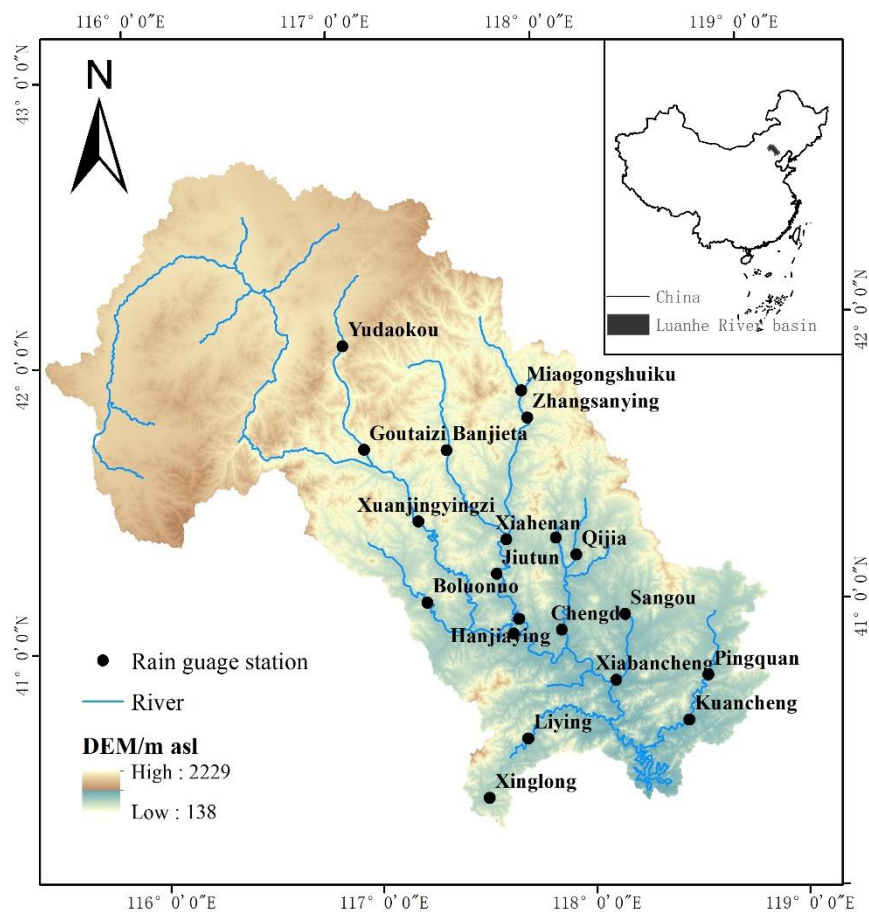


Figure 1 The geographical location of the Luanhe River basin

3. Table 3: For better readability, I suggest renaming the month name in Jan, Feb, Mar, etc., instead of just using the first letter.

Response: Thanks for the expert opinion, the month name in Table 3 has been changed to Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov and Dec.

Table 3. *HI-12* monthly mean and standard deviation

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Mean	-0.04	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	0.00	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.06

Sd	1.36	1.37	1.38	1.41	1.41	1.51	1.40	1.40	1.45	1.44	1.44	1.43
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4. Figure captions: erase brackets in numbers.

Response: Thanks for the expert opinion, the brackets of the Figure captions have been erased.