

Review of NHESS-2023-192

Title: Investigation of an extreme rainfall event during 8-12 December 2018 over central Viet Nam – Part 2: An evaluation of predictability using a time-lagged cloud-resolving ensemble system

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Summary: After the second round of revisions, the authors have generally satisfied all of my concerns. However, there are still a few more minor comments that I have. For these reasons, I inform a decision of *Minor Revisions*.

Recommendation: Minor Revisions

Minor Comments (Comments are not listed in order of importance):

1. Line 51: Should this be figure 1, as opposed to figure 4?
2. Lines 98-99: Remove “has become indispensable for its ability to” and change “simulate” to simulates.
3. Lines 106-111: Yes, generally over long periods the ensemble mean is more accurate. However, it should be noted that it will smooth out the precipitation field and likely not capture the extreme magnitude of events.
4. Lines 142-155: There is a scale dependence to the practical and intrinsic predictability as well. Likely worth noting in this section.
5. Lines 156-189: Need to break this into smaller paragraphs. I suggest one at the end of line 172 and 179.
6. Line 256: I would remove the word “retrieval” when talking about the TIGGE data. This leads to some confusion in my opinion, as “retrieval” has connotations of a mathematical processing; not just getting the data.
7. Section 2.3.1: If I am understanding the SSS correctly, it does not take into account neighborhoods when verifying the precipitation? This would be something to specify, if so. Further, using a verification method that allows for a precipitation object to be slightly off location but still have a similar shape would be a useful comparison. Fraction skill score could be an option.
8. Lines 392: “This is true for a well calibrated ensemble, only.” Does not seem to go here. I know this was a comment I had from the last round of revisions...but I am not sure why it got placed here.