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Discharge estimation in ungauged regions using satellite-retrieved products and artificial neural network

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Understanding the variations of water cycle is crucial in an accelerated climate change environment. In regions with limited ground observations, remote sensing can be a useful tool to obtain continuous hydrological data over large areas. Here, we present two approaches for estimating discharge in ungauged regions; 1) Water budget method based on multi-satellite data, 2) Artificial neural network (ANN) model combined with satellites data. Water budget components like precipitation (P), evapotranspiration (ET), and terrestrial water storage changes ($\Delta S/\Delta t$) was calculated from Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (TRMM), Moderate-Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) and Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (GRACE) satellites, respectively. An ANN model using P, temperature and $\Delta S/\Delta t$ as input variables was developed. Discharge estimation was made for the northern region of the Korean peninsula. Results from two approaches were compared with four model (CLM, Noah, Mosaic, and VIC) data sets of Global Land Data Assimilation System (GLDAS). Estimated discharge showed good agreement with GLDAS in terms of correlation, bias, and root-mean-square errors. The spatial distribution of estimated discharge showed evidence for seasonality, which provides additional basis that satellite-based approaches studied here can serve as reliable and useful tools for efficient water management.

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