Supplementary Material

Vegetation Dynamics and Driving Mechanism Considering Time-Lag and Accumulation Effects: A Case Study of the Hubao-Egyu Urban Agglomeration

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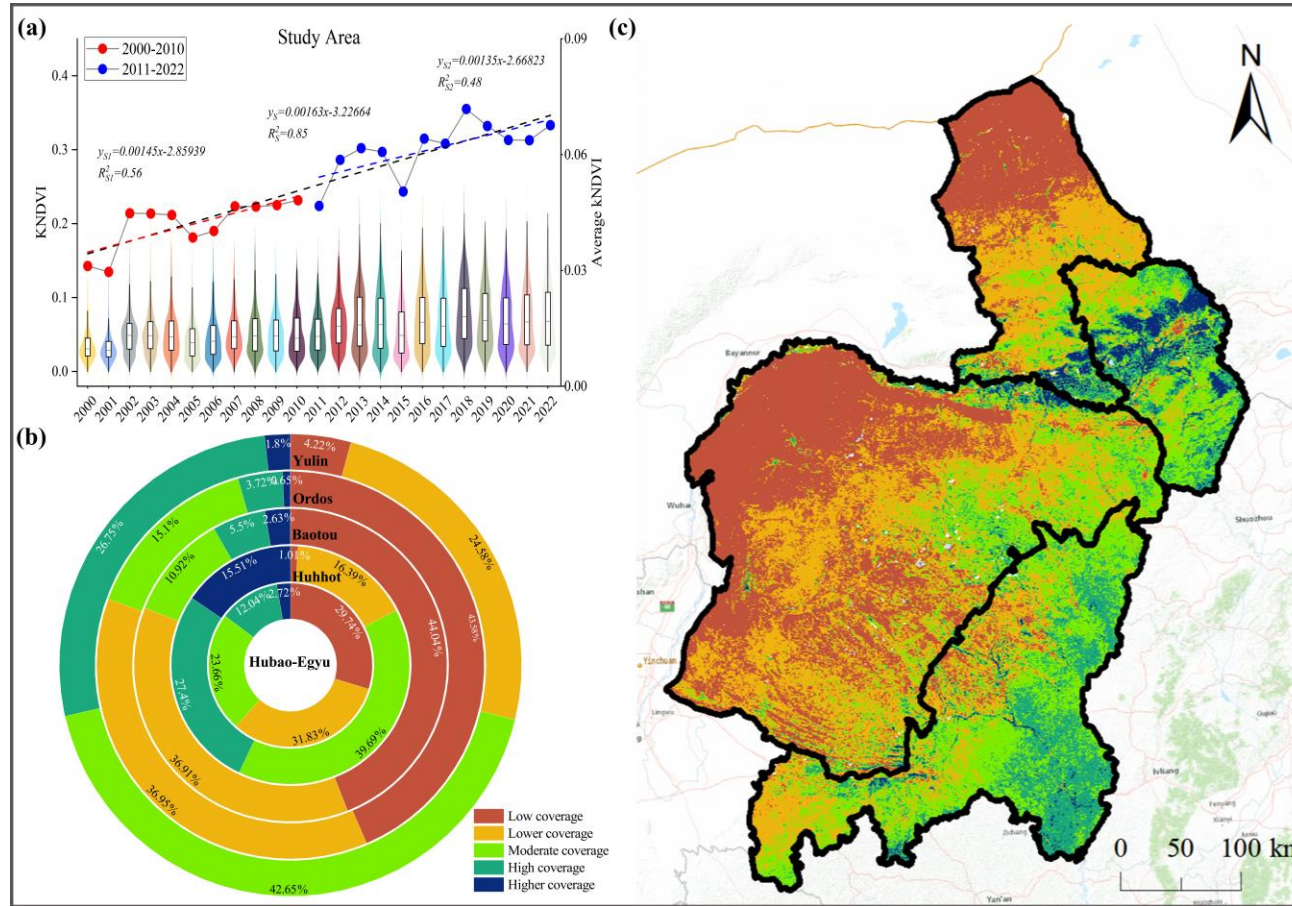The First author: Xi Liu. liux663@mail2.sysu.edu.cn

Figure S1. Temporal variation characteristics of kNDVI in HBEY (a). The red and blue dots in the figure represent the average kNDVI, and the violin plot shows the distribution of kNDVI in a given year. The whisker of the violin diagram represents the data range, and the upper boundary, horizontal line, and lower boundary of the box part represent the upper, median, and lower quartile of the data, respectively. The width of the violin map reflects the data density at that location. According to the natural break method, the average kNDVI during 2000-2022 is divided into five levels, the scale map is (b) and the spatial distribution map is (c).
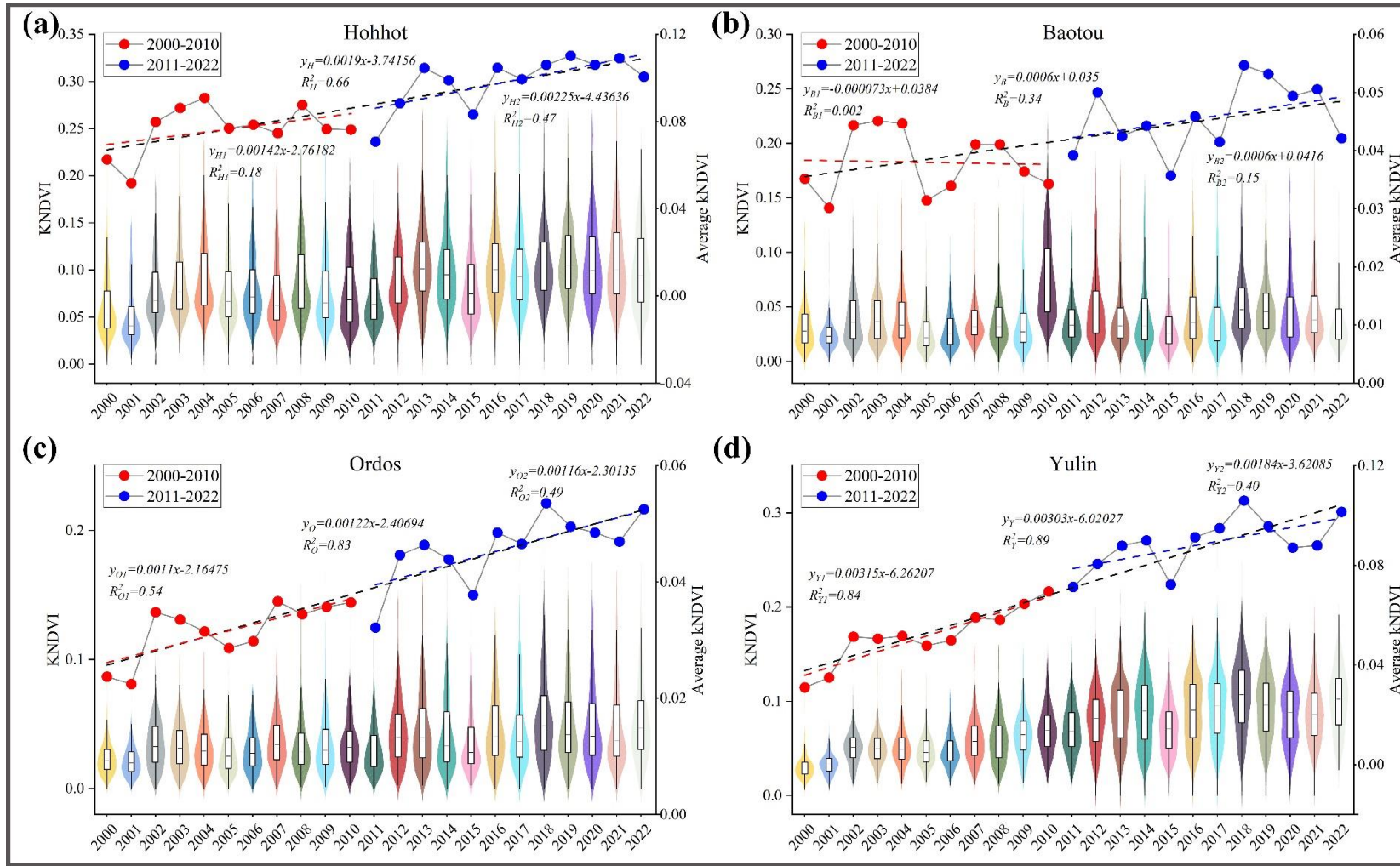
Figure S2. Temporal variation of kNDVI in Hohhot, Baotou, Ordos and Yulin.
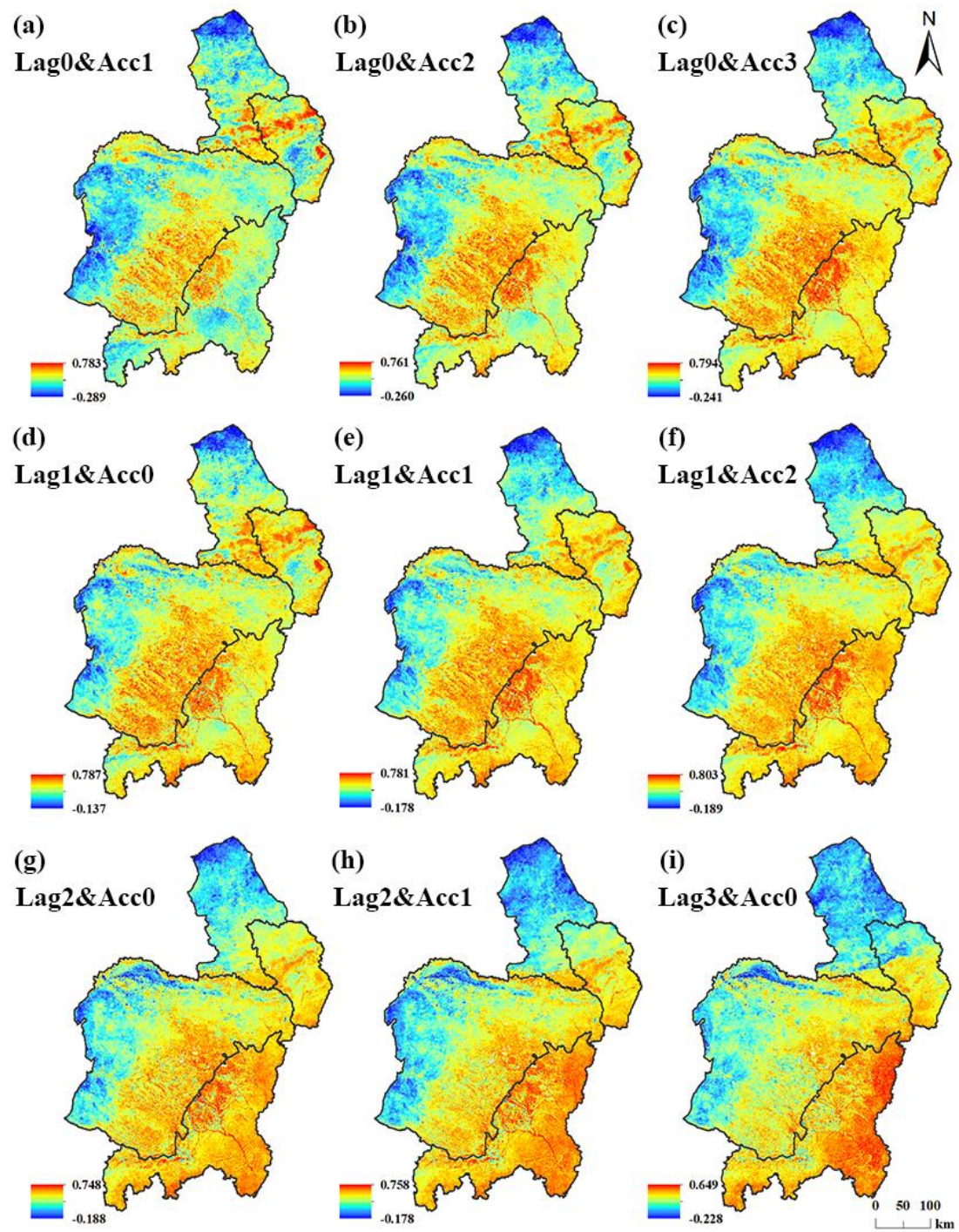
Figure S3. Second-order partial correlation coefficient between kNDVI and temperature under different combination of time-lag and accumulation effect.
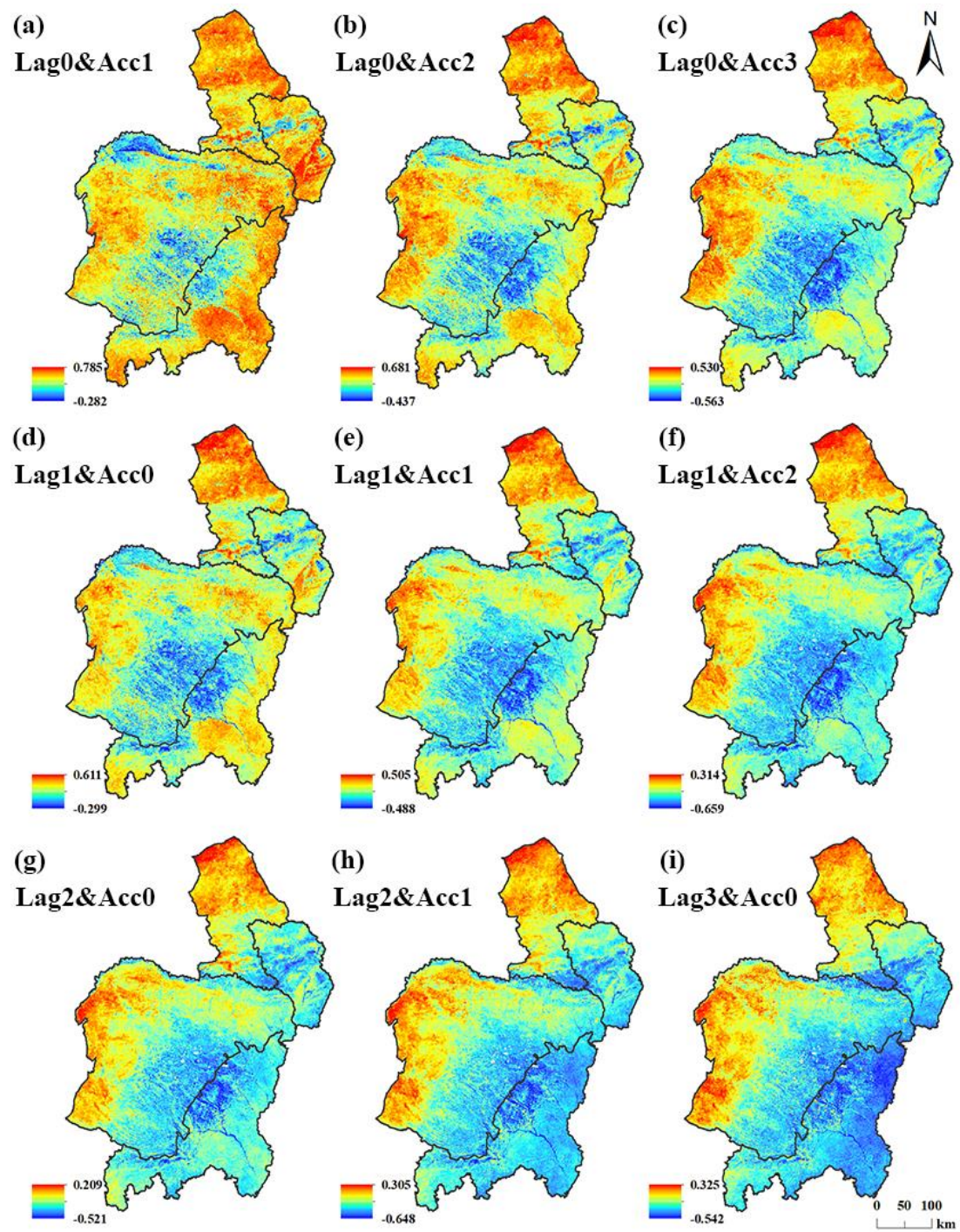
Figure S4. Second-order partial correlation coefficient between kNDVI and precipitation under different combination of time-lag and accumulation effect.
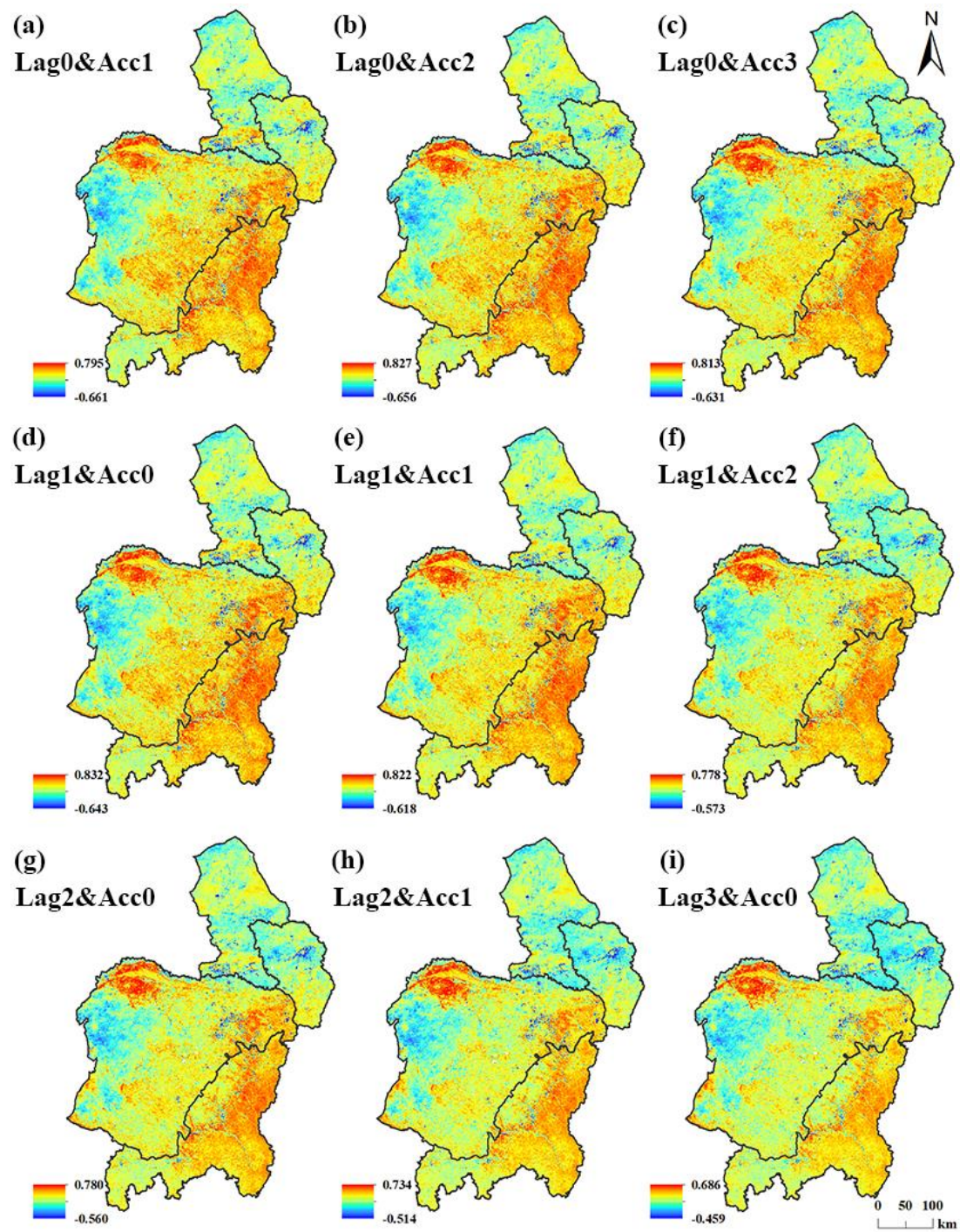
Figure S5. Second-order partial correlation coefficient between kNDVI and potential evapotranspiration under different combination of time-lag and accumulation effect.
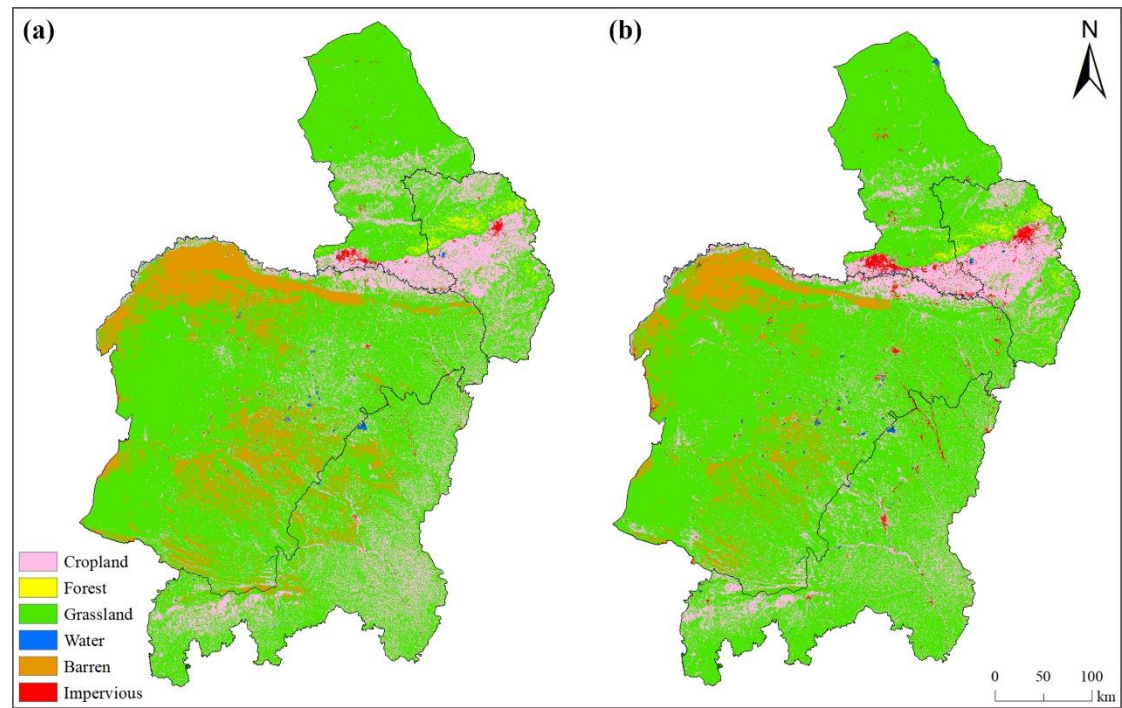
Figure S6. Land use of Hubao-Egyu urban agglomeration in 2000(a) and 2022(b).

Table S1. Driving scenarios for quantifying the contribution on vegetation. GCH refers to the greening caused by climate change and human activity while BCH represents browning. Similarly, GCC, GHA, BCC and BHA represent greening or browning of vegetation caused by climate change and human activity respectively.

Slope($kNDVI_{obs}$)	Slope($kNDVI_{CC}$)	Slope($kNDVI_{HA}$)	Contribution Rate CC	Contribution Rate HA	Scenarios
	>0	>0	$\dfrac{S(kNDVI_{CC})}{S(kNDVI_{obs})}$	$\dfrac{S(kNDVI_{HA})}{S(kNDVI_{obs})}$	GCH
>0	>0	<0	100	0	GCC
	<0	>0	0	100	GHA
	<0	<0	$\dfrac{S(kNDVI_{CC})}{S(kNDVI_{obs})}$	$\dfrac{S(kNDVI_{HA})}{S(kNDVI_{obs})}$	BCH
<0	<0	>0	100	0	BCC
	>0	<0	0	100	BHA

Table S2. The lag and accumulation effects of vegetation on climate factors in different land use types, including the statistics of the proportion of four scenarios.

Land use	P No	P Lag	P Acc	P LagAcc	T No	T Lag	T Acc	T LagAcc	PET No	PET Lag	PET Acc	PET LagAcc
Cropland	71.29	0.02	22.06	6.63	0.1	29.1	0.15	70.65	3.29	69.99	2.21	24.51
Forest	88.03	0	3.19	8.78	48.17	43.24	0	8.59	4.63	47.1	46.14	2.13
Grassland	51.24	0.08	42.89	5.79	1.29	58.49	0.16	40.06	2.25	70.53	3.14	24.08
Water	64.64	0.97	13.08	21.31	0.24	38.74	1.21	59.81	10.41	67.55	7.99	14.05
Barren	34.41	8.72	39.03	17.84	5.41	74.14	0.68	19.77	2.64	63.88	5.58	27.9
Impervious	68	0.47	20.8	10.73	0.43	42.58	0.28	56.71	16.69	59.59	7.54	16.18
Hubao-Egyu	53.55	0.69	38.87	6.89	1.68	54.79	0.2	43.33	2.68	69.65	3.52	24.15

Table S3. Contribution rate of CC (climate change) and HA (human activity) of vary land type under four temporal effects.

	CC				HA			
	No	Lag	Acc	LagAcc	No	Lag	Acc	LagAcc
Cropland	39.31	44.54	41.06	47.06	60.69	55.46	58.94	52.94
Forest	49.86	51.50	51.67	54.26	50.14	48.50	48.33	45.74
Grassland	42.59	48.38	44.71	49.12	57.41	51.62	55.29	50.88
Water	21.20	30.37	27.34	24.77	78.80	69.63	72.66	75.23
Barren	28.03	38.29	30.64	38.47	71.97	61.71	69.36	61.53
Impervious	36.48	40.11	38.12	42.71	63.52	59.89	61.88	57.29

Table S4. The lag and accumulation periods of vegetation on climate factors in different land use types.

Land use	P		T		PET	
	Lag_Days	Acc_Days	Lag_Days	Acc_Days	Lag_Days	Acc_Days
Cropland	0.128	0.287	1.737	0.905	1.102	0.271
Forest	0.171	0.125	0.644	0.117	0.514	0.487
Grassland	0.116	0.49	1.733	0.517	1.181	0.275
Barren	0.606	0.58	1.499	0.332	1.163	0.367
Hubao-Egyu	0.155	0.462	1.708	0.565	1.16	0.282