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**Hydrological responses to LULC and climate dynamics in
the Rift Valley Lakes Basin, Ethiopia**

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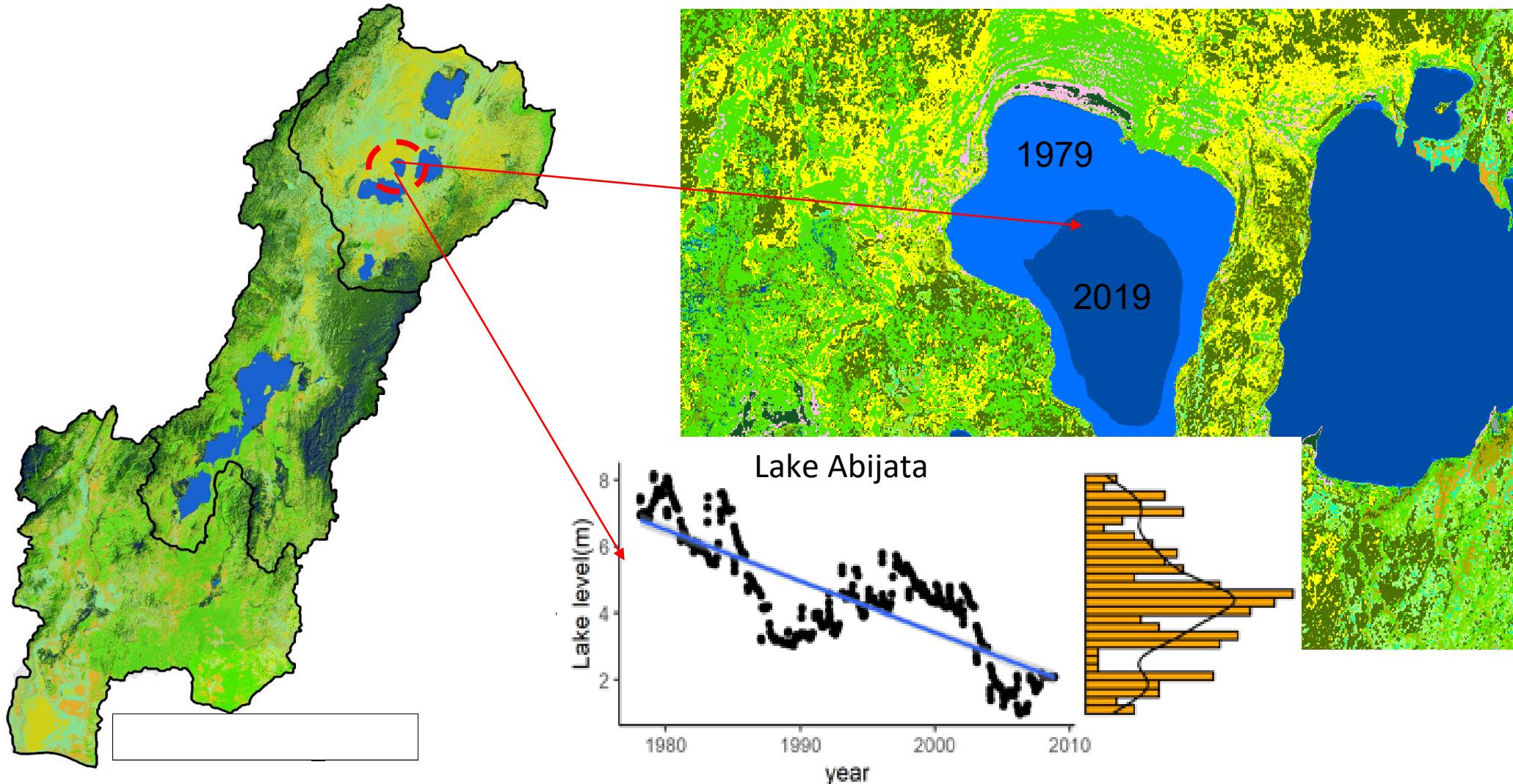
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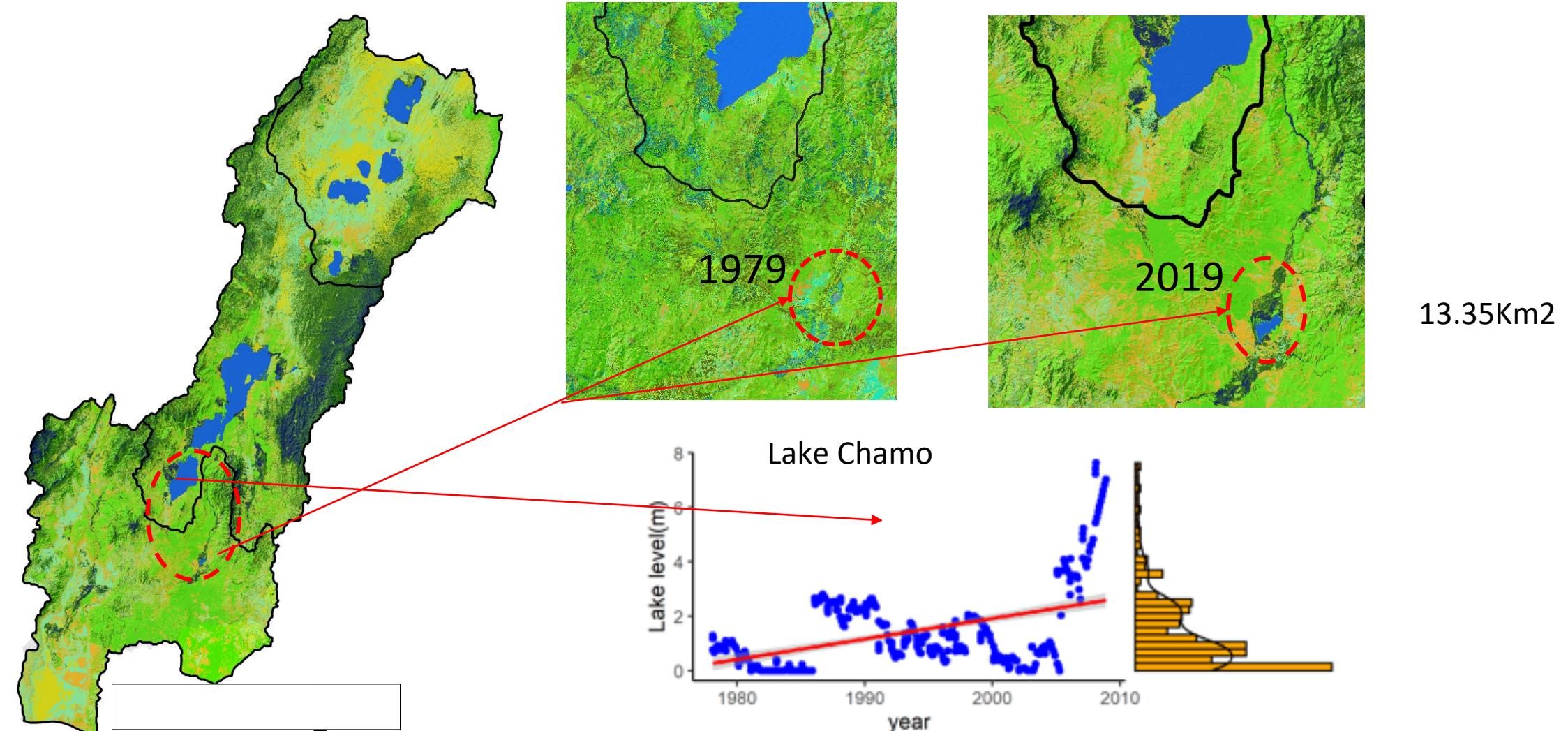


Rationale - Hydrological system is changing(losing water)





Rationale - Hydrological system is changing (gaining water)



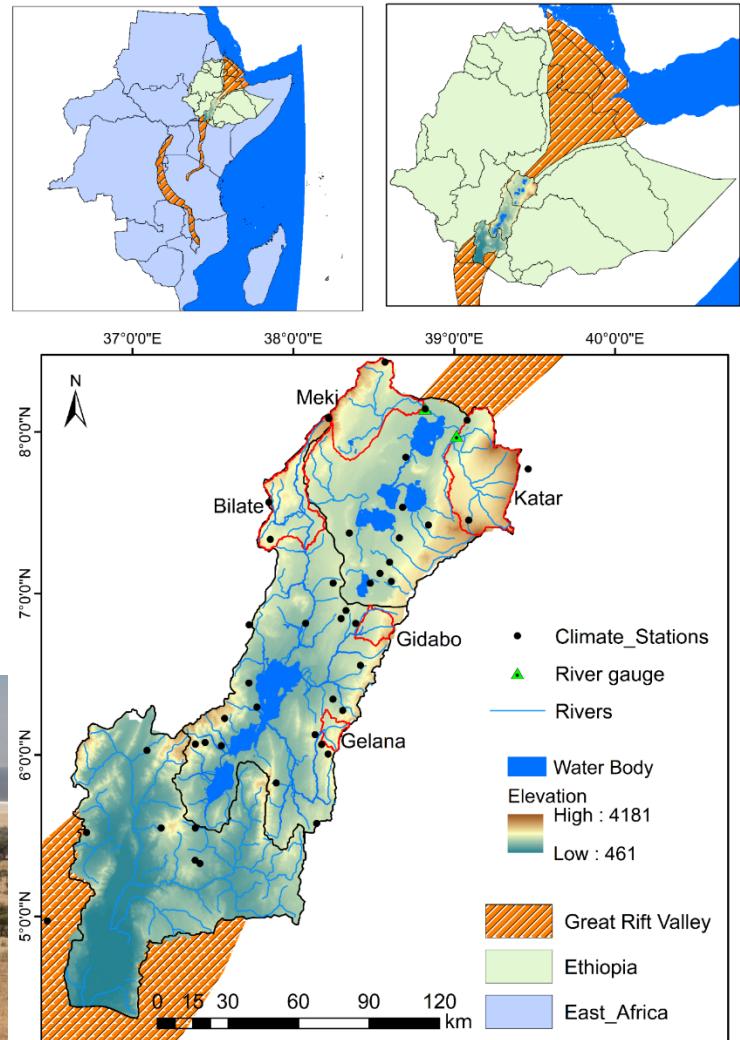


How does the hydrological system of Rift Valley
respond to a changing LULC and climate?



Study Area - Rift Valley Lakes Basin

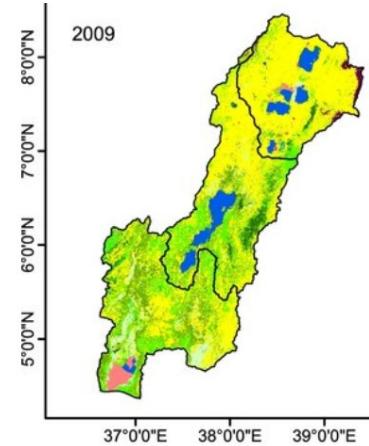
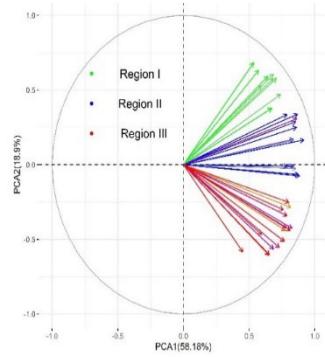
- Part of Great Rift Valley, located in the central part of Ethiopia (Area: 55,050 km²)
- Characterized by its unique geological features and diverse landscapes features
- Encompasses numerous lakes, springs, wetlands and rivers
- The region experiences both seasonal and spatial variations in climate patterns
- Five watersheds are selected





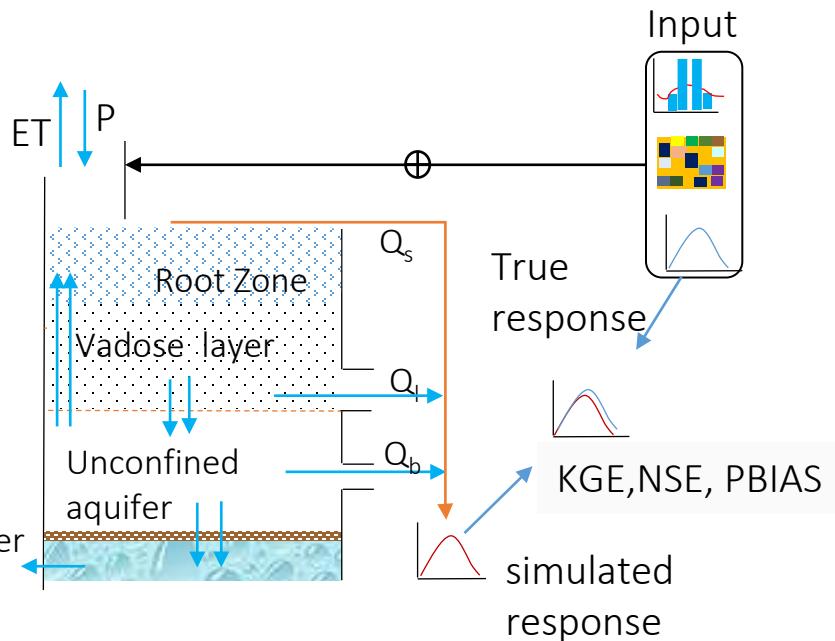
Methodology

Basin characterization



PCA/RF/cpt

Hydrological modelling



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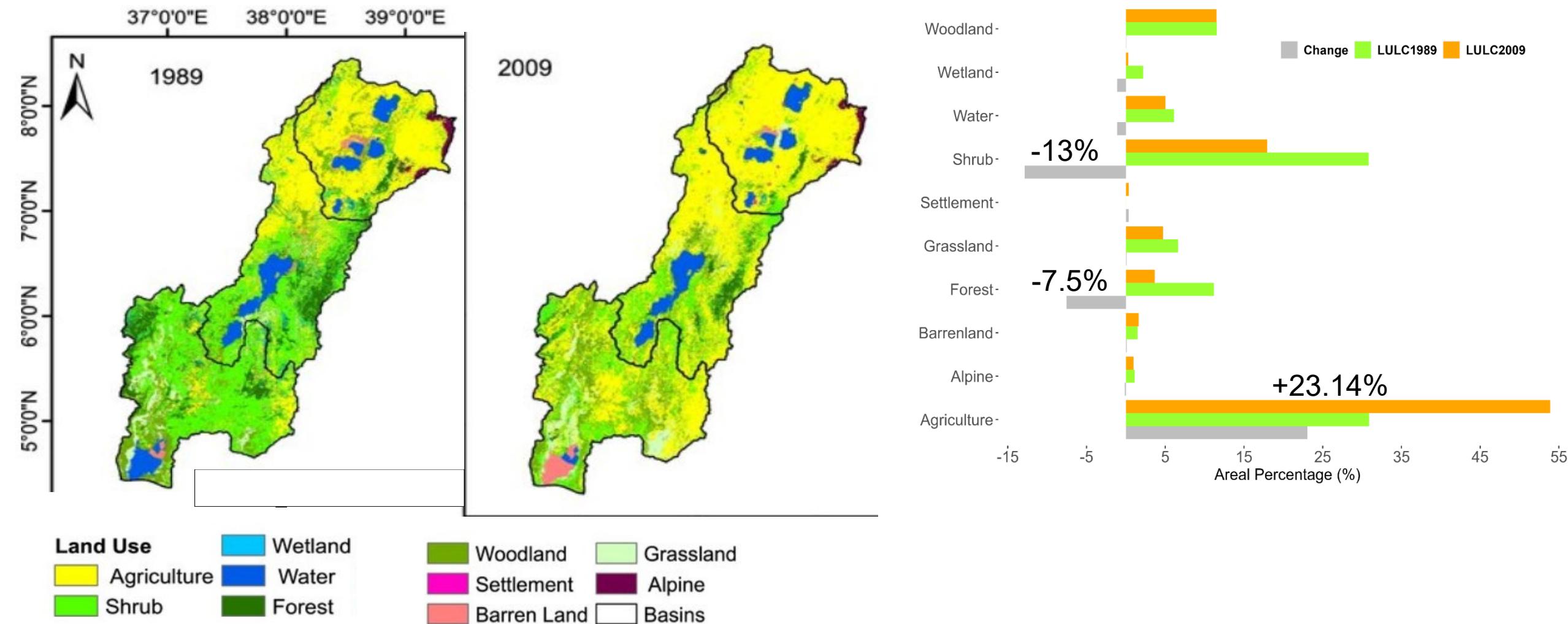
Attribution analysis(LULC & CC)

Scenario	LULC	Climate data	Objective
S1	1989	1980-2000	Baseline
S2	1989	2001-2018	CC
S3	2009	1980-2000	LULC
S4	2009	2001-2018	CC & LULC

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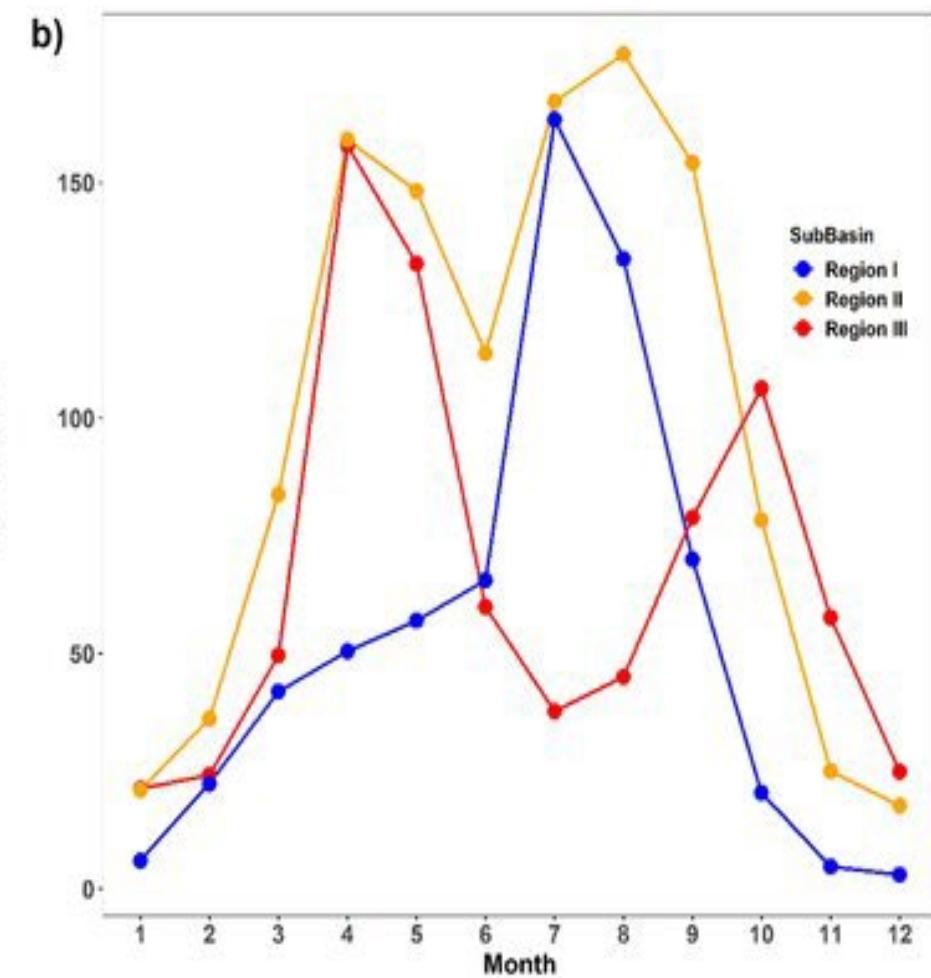
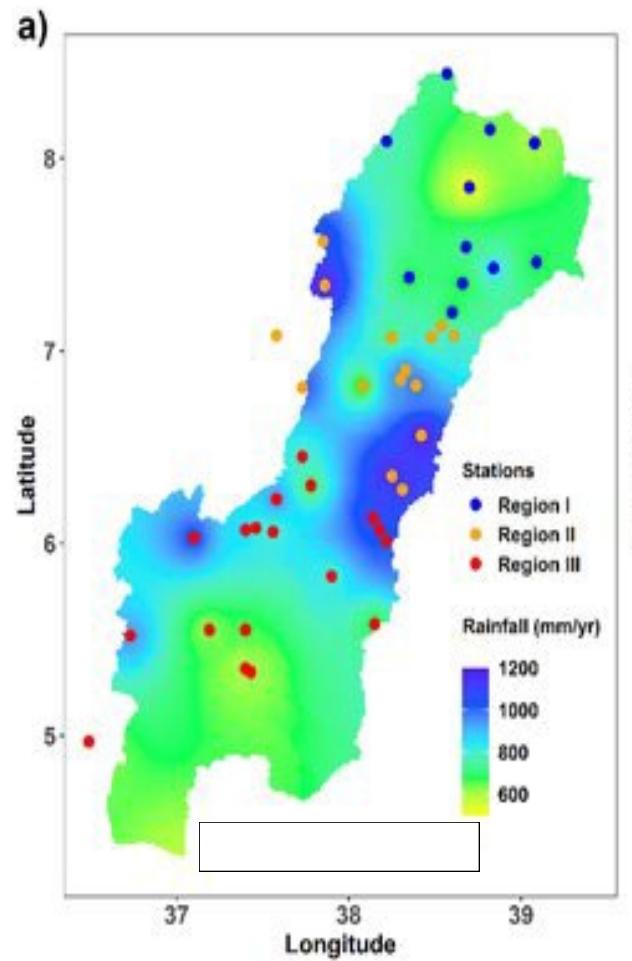
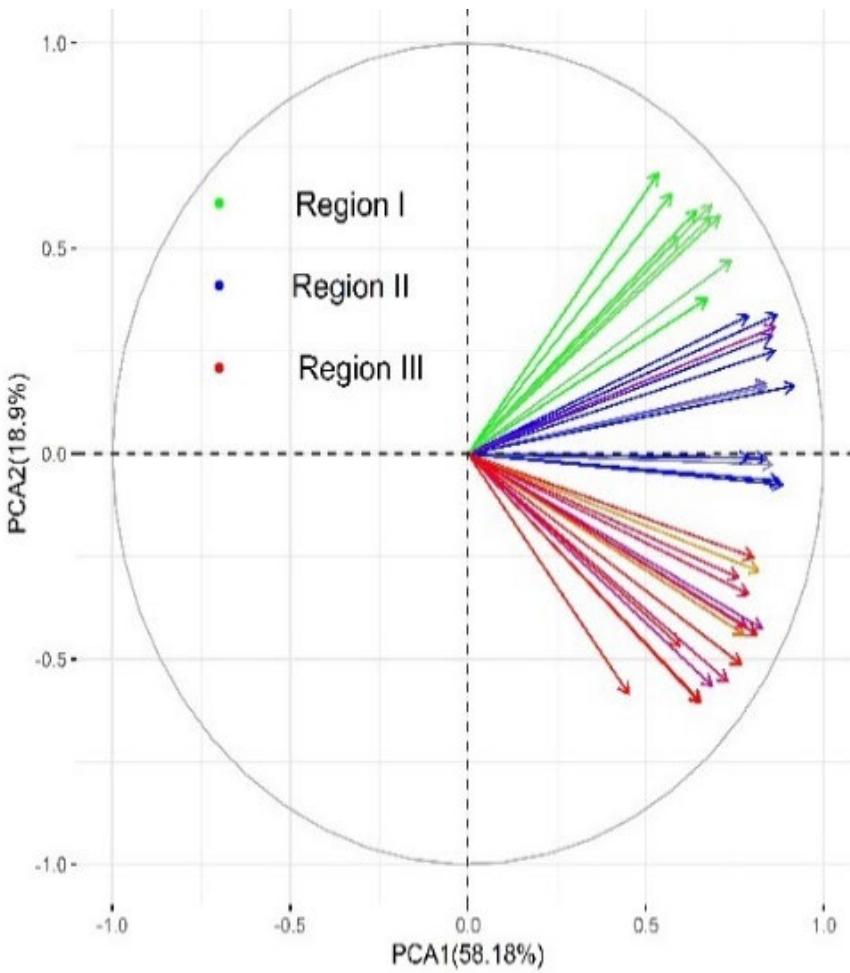


Results - LULC change



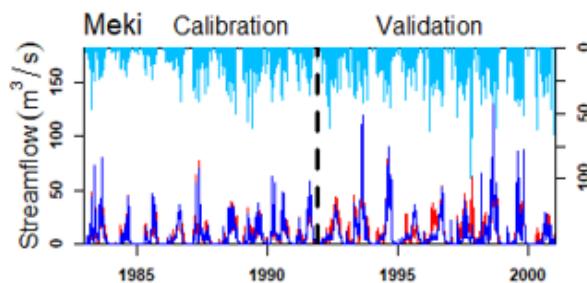


Results - Climate pattern

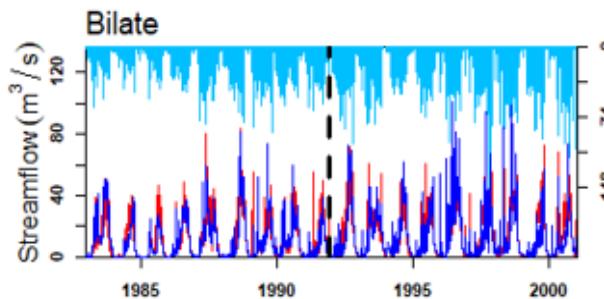




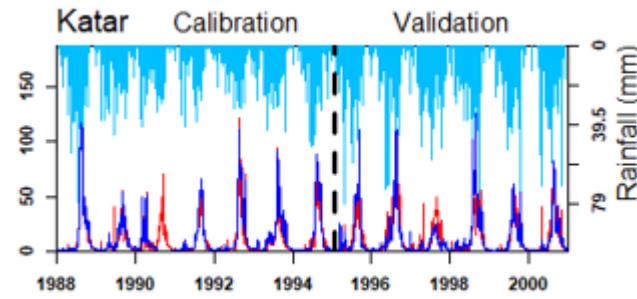
SWAT+ model calibration and validation - Hydrograph



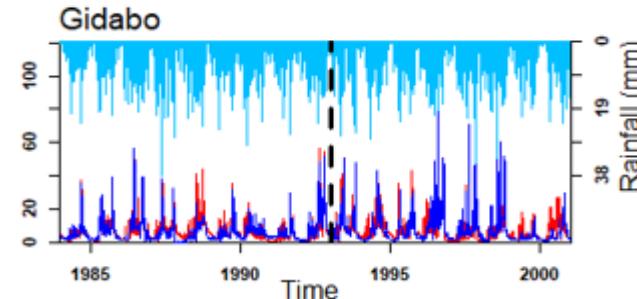
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Val.	0.73	0.64	-2.4	0.68



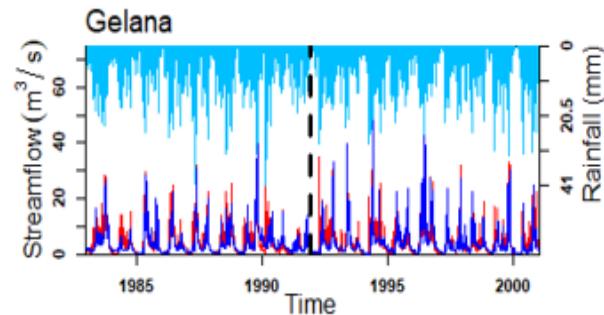
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Cal.	0.83	0.72	1.0	0.52
Val.	0.72	0.66	1.4	0.65



	KGE	NSE	PBIAS	RSR
Cal.	0.79	0.65	-0.6	0.56
Val.	0.68	0.61	-1.2	0.69



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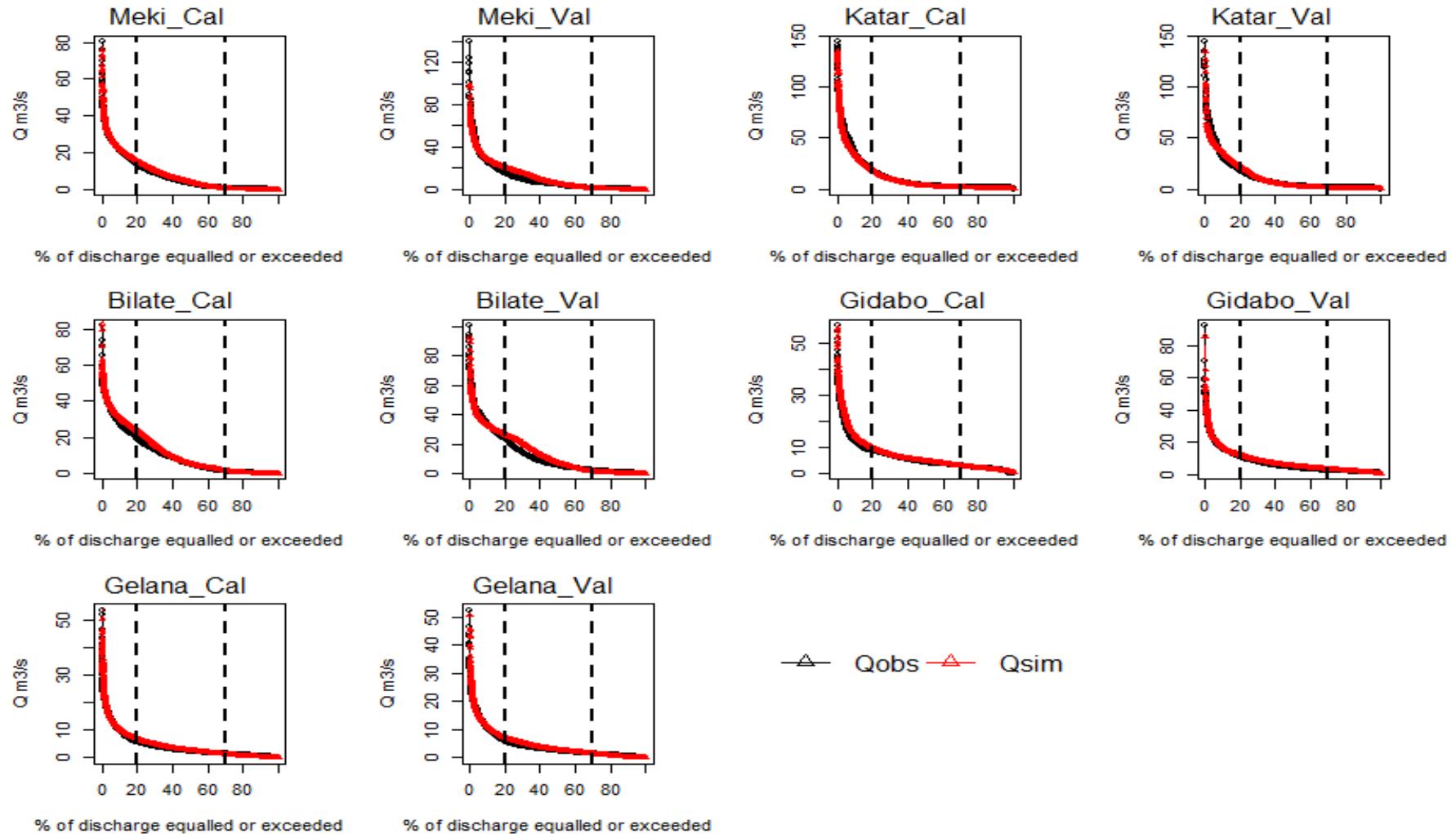
Rainfall (mm) Qobs (m^3/s) Qsim (m^3/s)

Using R packages

- FME for Latin Hypercube Sampling (Soetaert and Petzoldt, 2010)
- hydroGOF for model evaluation (Zambrano-Bigiarini, 2014),



SWAT+ model calibration and validation - FDC

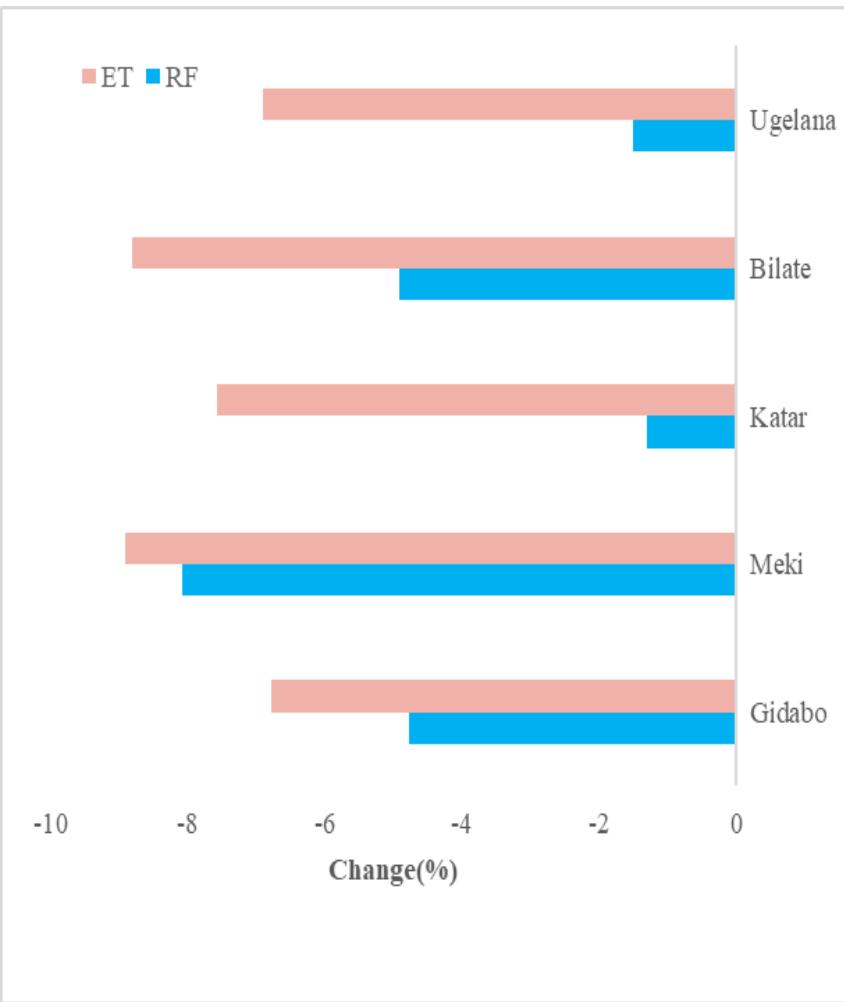


Model performance for
d/f flow regimes

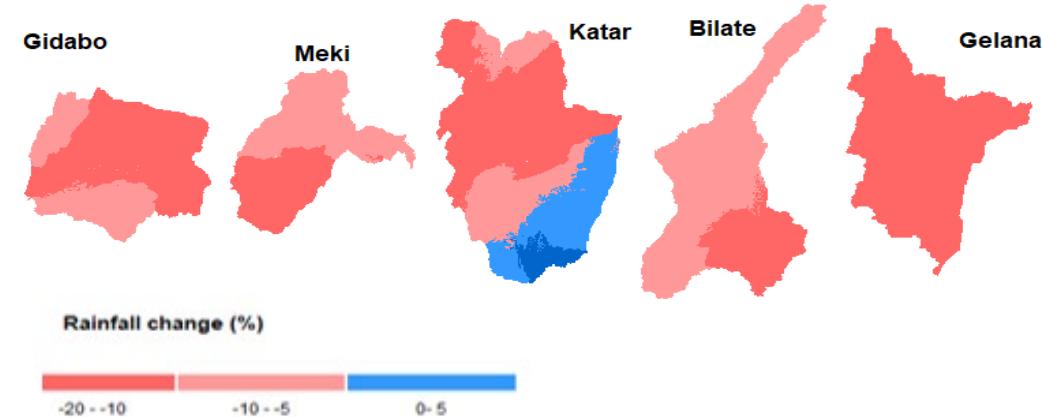
- High flow
- Mid flow
- Low flow



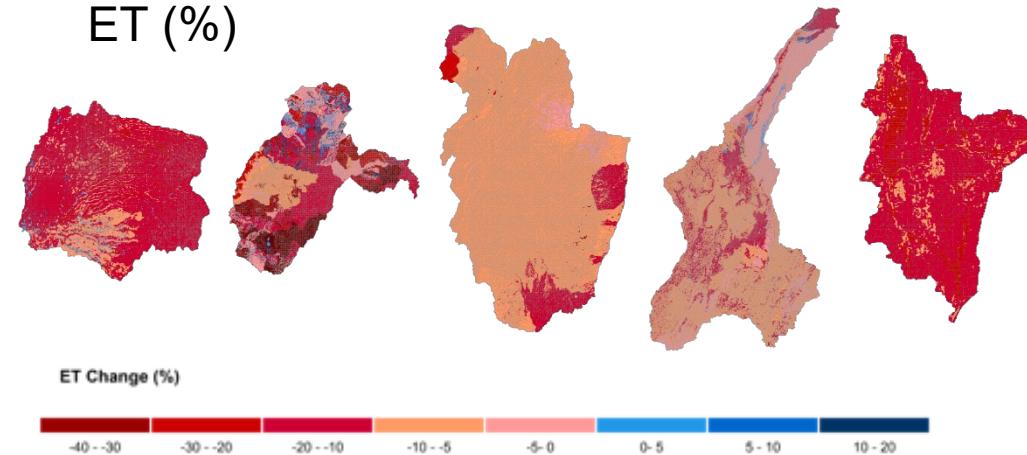
Results - Water balance change (1980-2000/2001-2018)



Rainfall change (%)

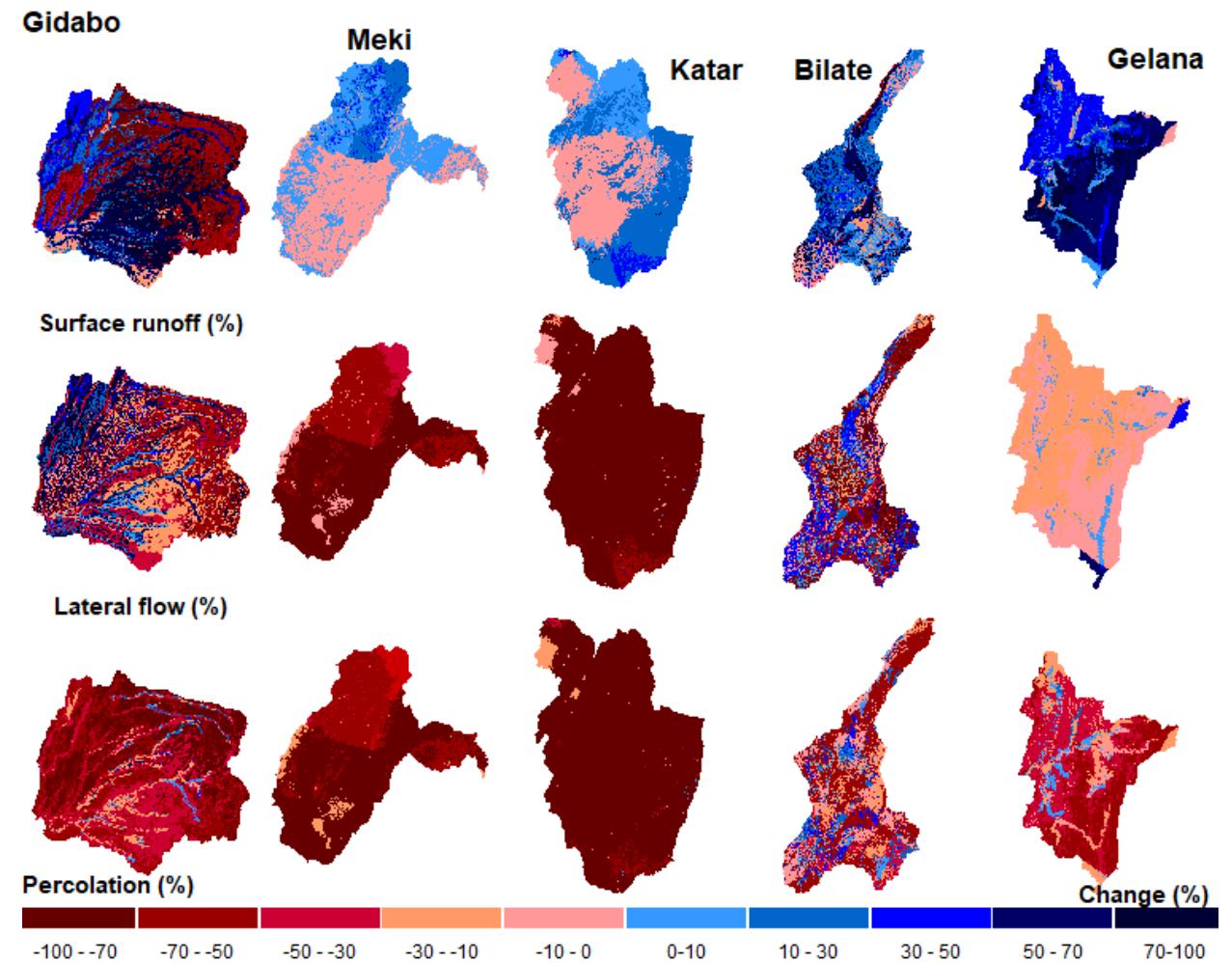
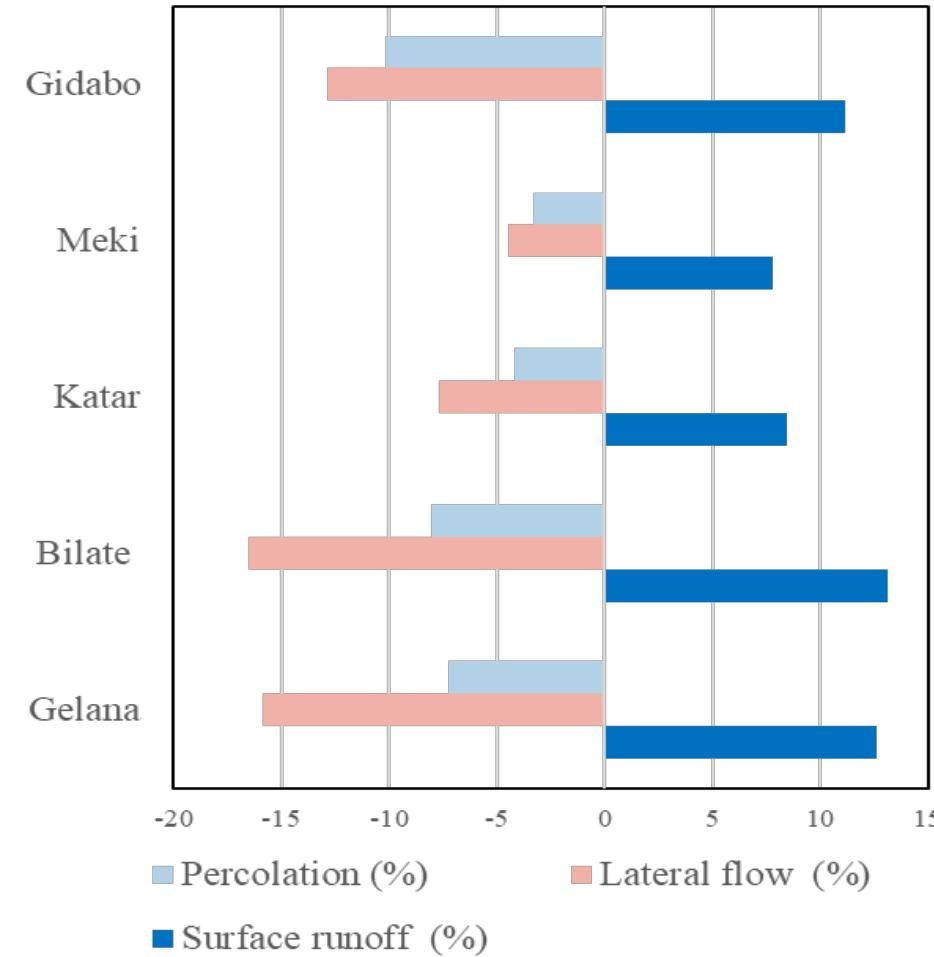


ET (%)





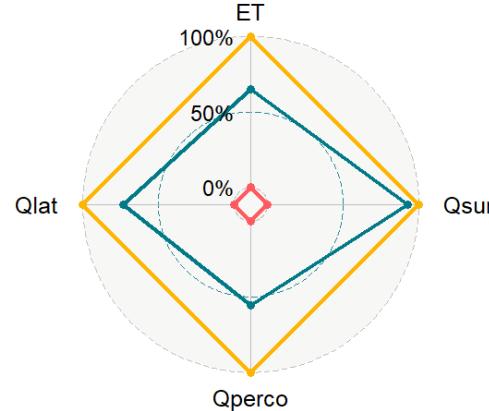
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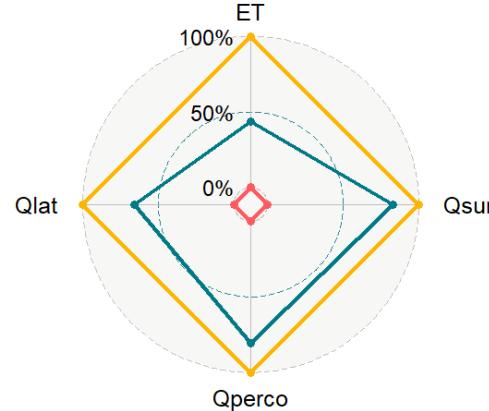


Attribution of LULC and climate change on WBC

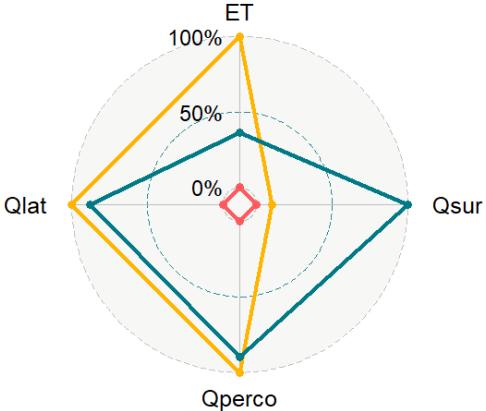
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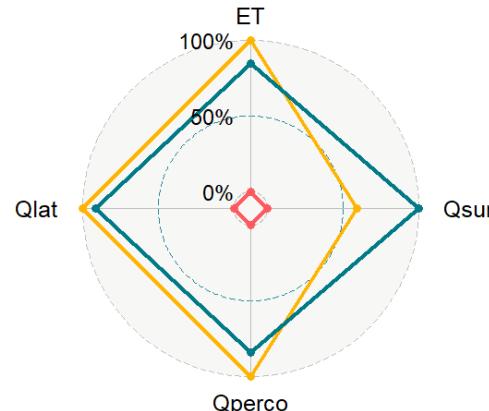
Katar



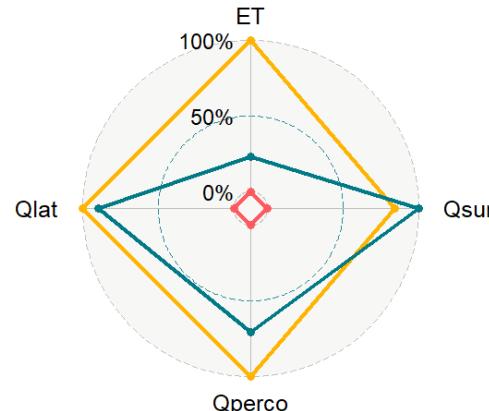
Bilate



Ugelana



Gidabo



- The attribution of LULC on surface runoff is higher
- The attribution of combined CC & LULC on regional hydrology is higher

— CC — Combined — LULC



Summary and conclusion

- The hydrological system responds significantly to LULC changes and climate dynamics.
- The isolated impact of LULC change increased surface runoff and decreased infiltration and ET.
- The isolated impact of climate dynamics decreased all water balance components.
- LULC change had a greater impact on regional hydrological change compared to climate change.



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2009											
Class	Agriculture	Alpine	Barren	Forest	Grass	Settlement	Shrub	Water	Wetland	Wood	Total
Agriculture	27.36	0.11	0.05	0.12	0.48	0.13	1.82	0.04	0.04	0.74	30.88
Alpine	0.34	0.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.10
Barren	0.49	0.00	0.23	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.31	0.19	0.00	0.20	1.48
Forest	4.43	0.10	0.02	2.44	0.10	0.03	2.95	0.05	0.08	0.99	11.19
Grass	1.88	0.00	0.04	0.02	1.45	0.01	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.67	4.62
Settlement	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Shrub	12.79	0.08	0.05	0.78	1.06	0.09	9.13	0.08	0.07	6.77	30.89
Water	0.02	0.00	1.17	0.02	0.14	0.00	0.09	4.63	0.00	0.03	6.11
Wetland	1.11	0.01	0.00	0.20	0.01	0.01	0.68	0.02	0.05	0.08	2.17
Wood	5.59	0.00	0.05	0.07	1.45	0.05	2.26	0.04	0.01	1.99	11.53
Total	54.02	0.97	1.60	3.67	4.72	0.37	17.89	5.04	0.25	11.48	100.0
Net loss/gain	23.14	-0.14	0.12	-7.52	0.10	0.32	-13.0	-1.08	-1.92	-0.04	

Climate pattern and trend



Climate change significancies

R1		R2		R3		Temp		
	Base line	Interference						
Tau	-0.147	-0.094	-0.0667	-0.123	-0.133	0.157	0.39	0.6
P	0.38	0.5995	0.695	0.48411	0.415	0.3833	0.0144	0.000359

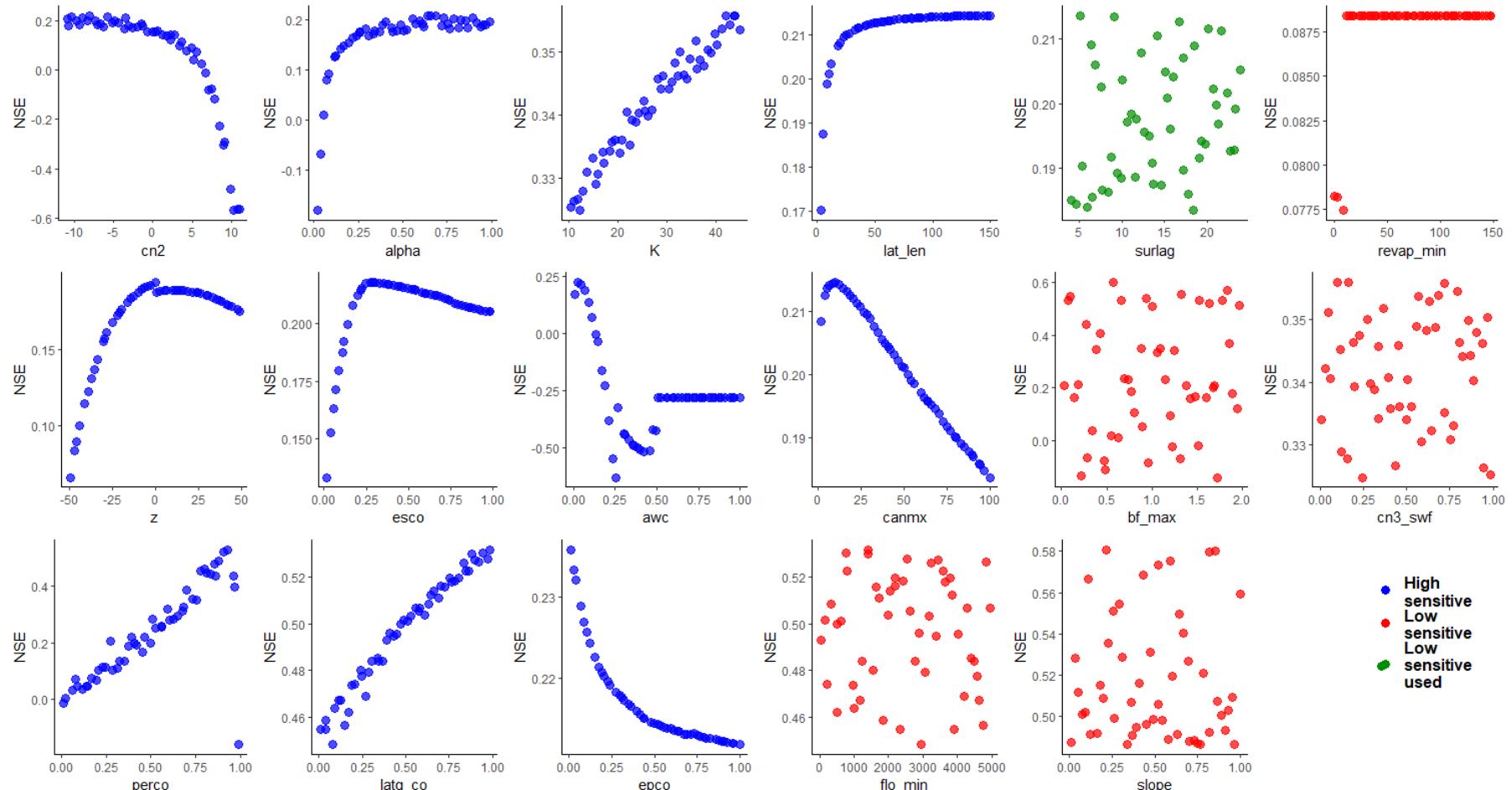


SWAT+ model - Calibrated parameters

Parameters	Description	Limit		Change	Fitted range			
		Min	Max		R I		R II	
					Min	Max	Min	Max
CN2	Condition II curve number	-15	+15	abschg ^a	-5	+5	-15	-10
Sol-Awc	Available water capacity of the soil layer (mm H ₂ O/mm soil)	-0.25	+0.25	abschg	-0.16	+0.15	-0.16	+0.15
ESCO	Soil evaporation compensation coefficient	0	1	absval ^b	0.01	0.3	0.01	0.15
SURLAG	Surface runoff lag Coefficient (days)	0	24	absval	0.1	10	0.1	10
PERCO	Percolation coefficient (mm H ₂ O)	0	1	absval	0.01	0.5	0.01	0.3
LATQ_CO	Lateral flow contribution to reach (mm H ₂ O)	0	1	absval	0.01	0.3	0.01	0.3
ALPHA_BF	Baseflow recession constant fast aquifer (days)	0	1	absval	0.01	0.6	0.01	0.3
k	Saturated hydraulic conductivity (mm/h)	-45	+45	pctchg ^c	-10	+15	-10	+15
EPCO	Plant uptake compensation factor	0	1	absval	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.9
z	Soil depth (mm)	-45	+45	pctchg	-15	+0	-15	+0



SWAT+ Model parameterization - Sensitivity Analysis



- Morris' screening
(one factor at a time [OAT])

High
sensitive
Low
sensitive
Low
sensitive
used



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	Scenario	ET		Qsur		Qlat		Perco	
		Change(%)	RC (%)	Change(%)	RC (%)	Change(%)	RC (%)	Change(%)	RC (%)
Ugelana	cc	1.89	37.61	-4.29	-58.83	-0.39	-6.67	-0.35	-2.86
	lulc	-4.53	-90.44	3.38	128.76	-5.41	-92.00	-10.38	-84.87
	combined	-5.01	-100.00	2.63	100.00	-5.88	-100.00	-12.24	-100.00
Bilate	cc	2.00	37.30	-7.19	-88.32	-2.31	-13.97	-1.72	-21.23
	lulc	-3.24	-60.28	16.44	202.05	-17.22	-104.29	-7.44	-92.05
	combined	-5.37	-100	8.14	100.00	-16.51	-100.00	-100.00	-100.00
Gidabo	cc	0.405	3.35	-11.65	-41.39	-2.026	-19.53	-0.41	-7.98
	lulc	-3.12	-25.712	31.29	111.14	-19.562	-188.51	-3.80	-73.22
	combined	-12.08	-100.00	28.15	100.00	-10.377	-100.00	-100.00	-100.00
Katar	cc	1.39	12.80	-6.84	-30.20	-0.84	-2.57	-0.83	-26.33
	lulc	-5.49	-50.64	13.13	57.99	-32.32	-98.93	-2.70	-85.68
	combined	-12.05	-100.00	31.65	100	-32.10	-100.00	-100.00	-100.00
Meki	cc	0.58	32.28	-15.96	-76.21	-10.22	-21.99	-9.22	-23.47
	lulc	-2.45	-135.52	16.47	94.35	-50.20	-91.02	-29.92	-76.16
	combined	-5.27	-100.00	28.28	100.00	-40.38	-100.00	-33.12	-100.00



Sensitive method

$$\alpha_l = \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{|Q_1 - Q_4|}$$

Where Q_1 , Q_2 , Q_3 , and Q_4 are the mean annual simulated surface runoff under S1, S2, S3, and S4 scenarios; and α_l , α_c and α_{com} denote the relative contributions of LUCC, climate variability and combined effect on the water balance components, respectively.

$$\alpha_c = \frac{Q_3 - Q_1}{|Q_1 - Q_4|}$$

$$\alpha_{com} = \frac{Q_4 - Q_1}{|Q_1 - Q_4|}$$