## Obtaining, cleaning and visualizing hydrological data with **R**

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#### Goals

- P Introduce useful packages
- I Highlight synergies
- Showcase capabilities (processing, stats)
- Let Visualize (static and interacive graphs)

### **Approach**

- Download **hydrometric** and **ancillary** (gridded) data for stations defined with AOI in Glacier National Park (BC, Canada)
- Calculate *P-pET* (raster), *Runoff*, and flow statistics (fasstr)
- Visualize results (P-pET vs. R, interactive flow stats)



## **Get Started**

### Set-up: packages and utils

```
install.packages("devtools")
# hydro and met
devtools::install_github("bcgov/fasstr")
install.packages("daymetr")
install.packages("tidyhydat")
devtools::install_github("mikejohnson51/AOI")
install.packages("rgeos")
install.packages("raster")
install.packages("leaflet")
# general purpose and viz
install.packages("dplvr")
install.packages("purrr")
install.packages("ggplot2")
install.packages("plotly")
install.packages("DT")
```

- Relevant packages loaded when necessary
- Typically use package::function() for clarity

#### A: Define area of interest

#### Define area

• use AOI to define bounding box around Glacier National Park (100 by 100 km)

```
## [1] "SpatialPolygons"
## attr(,"package")
## [1] "sp"
```

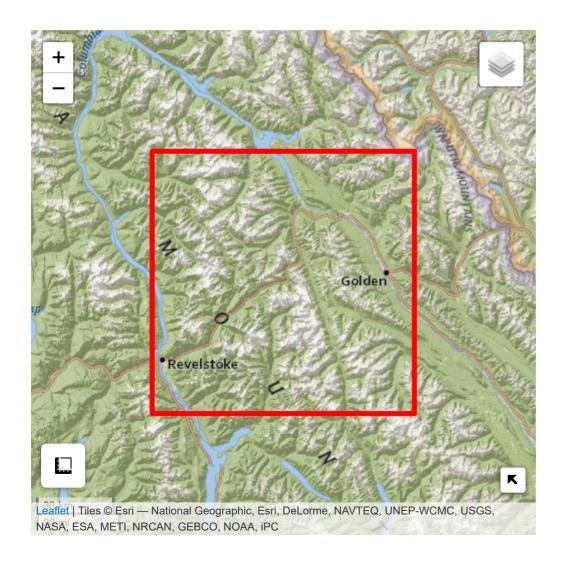
• rockies@bbox useful for other functions!

## Define area

```
library(dplyr)
library(leaflet)

rockies %>% AOI::check()
```

#### Define area



#### **B: Climate Data**

#### Download climate data

- daymetr: gridded climate data for North America as NetCDF
- downloads files to defined path
- provided in LCC projection

#### Load climate rasters

• Define projections

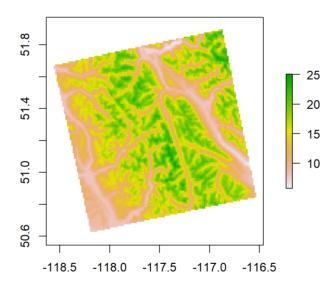
```
# Projected CS
proj4.Lambert <- "+proj=lcc +lat_1=25 +lat_2=60 +lat_0=42.5 +lon_0=-100 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +a==
# Geographic CS
proj4.WGS <- "+init=epsg:4326"</pre>
```

#### Load climate rasters

- read individual NetCDFs, stack as rasters
- reproject

#### Load climate rasters

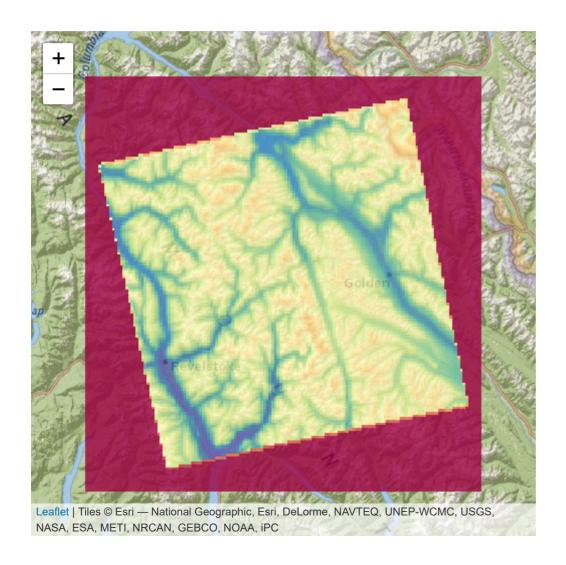
```
# Jan 1, 2010 + 399 days
raster::plot(rockies_stacks$prcp[[400]])
```



- based on ET.Hamon() from Ecohydrology ♥
- applied to basic raster math

```
# custom function to calculate Hamon's PET
et.ham <- function(tmin,tmax,dayl){</pre>
    # modified from Evapotranspiration package
    Ta \leftarrow (tmax + tmin)/2
    vs_Tmax < -0.6108 * exp(17.27 * tmax/(tmax + 237.3))
    vs_Tmin \leftarrow 0.6108 * exp(17.27 * tmin/(tmin + 237.3))
    vas <- (vs Tmax + vs Tmin)/2</pre>
    ET_Hamon.Daily <- 0.55 * 25.4 * (dayl/12)^2 * (216.7 *
                                                            vas * 10/(Ta + 273.3))/100
    return(ET Hamon.Daily)
# calculate PET over all days (2 years total)
et_rockies <- et.ham(tmin = rockies_stacks$tmin,
                      tmax = rockies_stacks$tmax,
                      dayl = rockies stacks$dayl / 3600)
et_rockies <- raster::mask(et_rockies, rockies_stacks$dayl[[1]])
```

aggregate to monthly values



## B: Flow data

## Identify viable stations

• use bounding box from AOI to filter for stations in tidyhydat data base (lat, lon).

STATION_NUMBER	STATION_NAME	HYD_STATUS
08NA002	COLUMBIA RIVER AT NICHOLSON	ACTIVE
08NA006	KICKING HORSE RIVER AT GOLDEN	ACTIVE
08NB005	COLUMBIA RIVER AT DONALD	ACTIVE
08NB012	BLAEBERRY RIVER ABOVE WILLOWBANK CREEK	ACTIVE

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## Download hydrometric data

• fasstr::screen\_flow\_data() for missing data checks

#### Download hydrometric data

aggregate flow over months

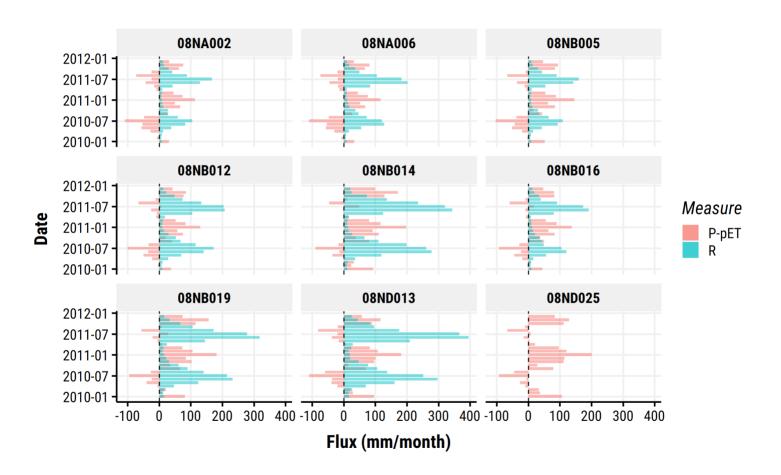
```
rockies a month <- rockies a %>%
   filter(Date >= "2010-01-01",
          Date <= "2011-12-31") %>%
   fasstr::fill_missing_dates() %>%
   # add info (table joining)
   fasstr::add_basin_area() %>%
   mutate(r_mm_day = Value / Basin_Area_sqkm * 86400 / 1e6 * 1e3) %>%
   group_by(STATION_NUMBER,
            year_mon = format(Date, "%Y-%m")) %>%
   summarise(r_mm_month = sum(r_mm_day, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
   mutate(date_time = lubridate::ymd(paste0(year_mon, "-01"),
                                      tz = "MST"))
```

#### Extract P-pET for stations

## Runoff vs. P-pET

```
library(ggplot2)
pet_r_plot <- pet_stns %>%
    filter(stn %in% rockies g month$STATION NUMBER) %>%
    ggplot(aes(x = date_time,
               v = p pet mm)) +
    geom bar(stat = "identity",
             aes(fill = "P-pET"),
             alpha = 0.5) +
    geom_bar(inherit.aes = FALSE,
             data = rockies_q_month %>%
                 rename(stn = STATION_NUMBER),
             aes(x = date time,
                 y = r_mm_month,
                 fill = "R"),
             stat = "identity",
             alpha = 0.5) +
    geom_hline(yintercept = 0, linetype = 2) +
    theme_pub(base_size = 18) +
    labs(x = "Date",
         y = "Flux (mm/month)",
        fill = "Measure") +
    coord_flip() +
    facet_wrap(~stn)
```

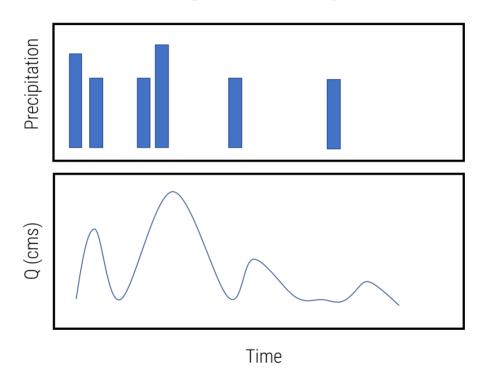
## Runoff vs. P-pET



# C: Flow stats in interactive visualization

#### Outcome:

Interactive visualization with two panels showing:



for Beaver River station

#### Prepare flow data

• fasstr::calc\_daily\_stats() for a range of flow statistics over chosen interval, e.g. (min, max, Q5, Q25, Q75, Q95, mean/median)

## Prepare flow data

Shov	w 10 ▼ entries Search:			
	STATION_NUMBER.x	Date.x •	DayofYear •	Mean
1	08NB019	Jan-01	1	8.50687506
2	08NB019	Jan-02	2	8.514375060
3	08NB019	Jan-03	3	8.566250056
4	08NB019	Jan-04	4	8.535625129
5	08NB019	Jan-05	5	8.601249903
6	08NB019	Jan-06	6	8.445625036
7	08NB019	Jan-07	7	8.601874977
8	08NB019	Jan-08	8	8.653749972
9	08NB019	Jan-09	9	8.718125045
10	08NB019	Jan-10	10	8.682500004

#### Prepare precipitation data

• Equivalent to earlier raster extraction

```
# extract P data and make df
p_beaver <- raster::extract(rockies_stacks$prcp,</pre>
                                        y = beaver_river[ ,c("LONGITUDE","LATITUDE")]) %
   as.data.frame() %>%
   bind cols(beaver river %>%
                  select(STATION NUMBER,
                         STATION_NAME)) %>%
   setNames(c(seq(as.Date("2010-01-01"),
                 as.Date("2011-12-31"),
                 by = "1 day") %>%
                   as.character(),
             "stn",
             "name")) %>%
   tidyr::gather(-stn, -name, key = "date", value = "p_mm_day") %>%
   mutate(date_time = lubridate::ymd(date, tz = "MST"))
```

### Set-up interactive plots

#### Flow stats

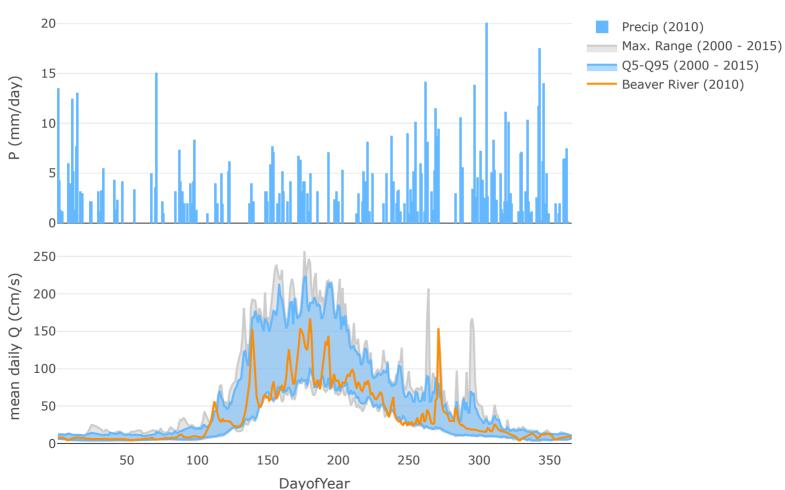
```
library(plotly)
q_beaver <- plot_ly(data = beaver_q_stats,</pre>
                    x = ~DayofYear) %>%
    add_ribbons(ymin = ~Minimum,
                ymax = ~Maximum,
                color = I("gray80"),
                name = "Max. Range (2000 - 2015)") %>%
    add_ribbons(ymin = ~P5,
                ymax = ~P95,
                color = I("steelblue1"),
                name = "05-095 (2000 - 2015)") %>%
    add_lines(y = ~Value,
              color = I("darkorange"),
              name = "Beaver River (2010)") %>%
    layout(yaxis = list(title = "mean daily Q (Cm/s)"))
```

#### Set-up interactive plots

#### Precip

#### Generate final visualization

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#### Summary



Used range of general-purpose and hydrologic packages in concert to:

- obtain spatial and time series data (climate, hydrometric)
- wrangle, clean and pre-process data
- make a range of static and interactive visualization (maps, figures)