

# August model results

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## Overview

This document summarizes the model fitting and posterior for mean stream temperatures in August for the Teton Alpine Stream Research (TASR) project.

## Setup

- Load libraries

```
library(tidyverse)
library(brms)
library(tidybayes)
```

- Load data
- Data has already been modified in the following ways:
  - Only data for the month of August is included
  - `year_s` has been centered at 0 and scaled by the `sd(year)`
  - `temp_1` has been scaled to be from 0-1 as:  $\text{temp\_1} = \text{temp\_i} / \max(\text{temp})$

```
fit_data_orig <- readRDS(
  here::here("Temperature/brms_models/all_sites/august/fit_data.rds"))
fit_data_year_summary <- readRDS(
  here::here("Temperature/brms_models/all_sites/August/fit_data_year_summary.rds"))
```

- Load model

```
brm1 <- readRDS(here::here("Temperature/brms_models/all_sites/august/fit_rand_slopes_hurdle_aug_rand_si
```

## Model details

- 4 chains with 2000 iterations
  - half discarded as warmup
  - 4000 posterior iterations

- The model has the following formula

```
brm1$formula
```

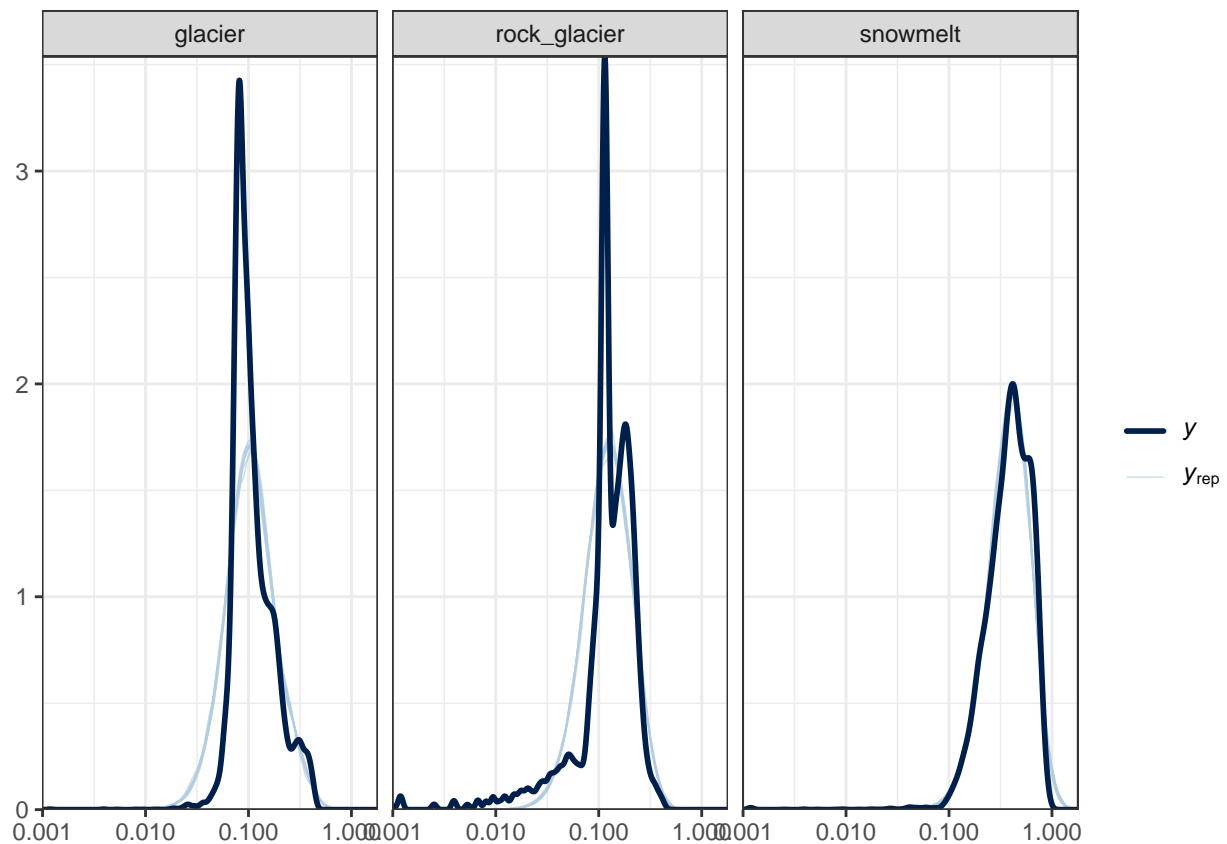
```
## temp_1 ~ year_s + source + year_s:source + (1 + year_s | site)
```

Where `source` is a categorical factor with the following levels: `rock_glacier`, `glacier`, and `snowfield`.

## Posterior Prediction

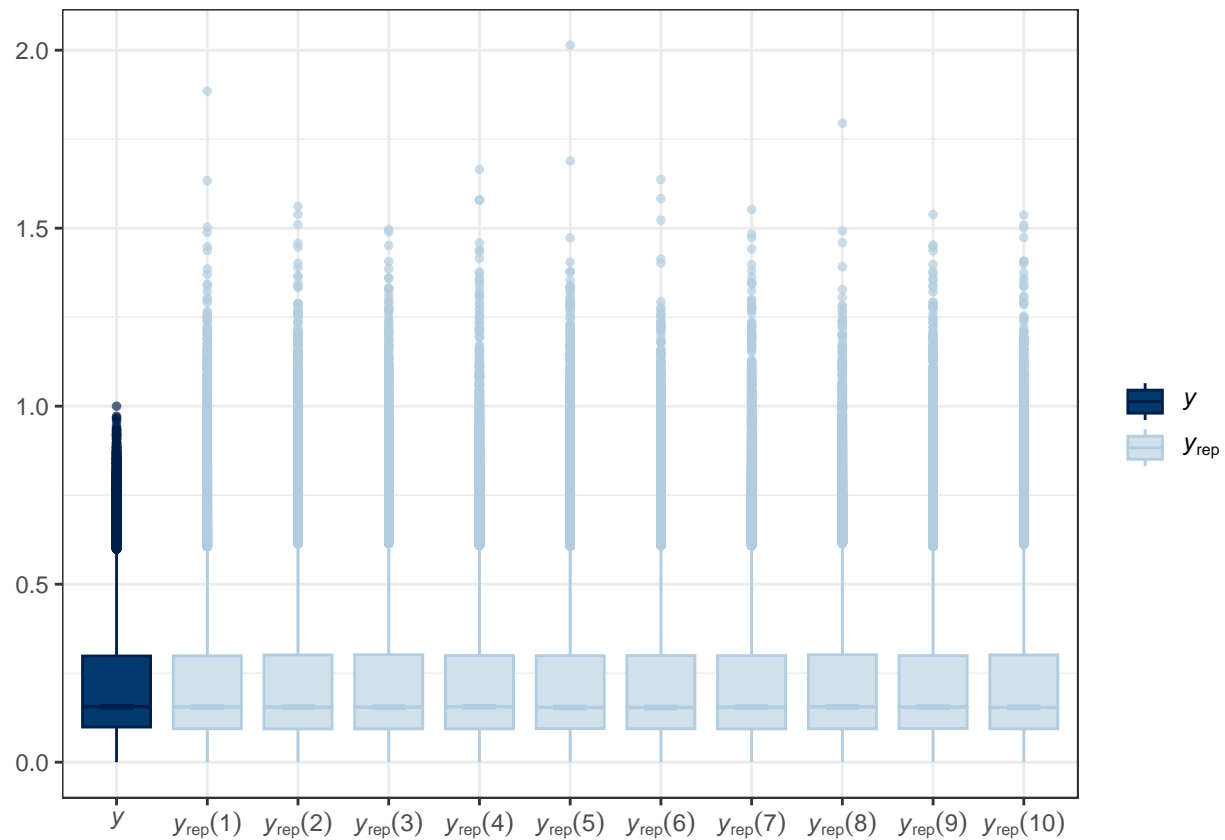
- Density overlay for sources

```
pp_check(brm1,
  type = "dens_overlay_grouped",
  group = "source") +
scale_x_log10() +
theme_bw()
```



- boxplot of posterior
- Note that this model correctly captures the lower bound of 0, and does not predict negative numbers.

```
pp_check(brm1,
  type = "boxplot") +
  theme_bw()
```



## Bayesian $R^2$

```
bayes_R2(brm1)
```

```
##      Estimate  Est.Error    Q2.5    Q97.5
## R2  0.6364416  0.00258655  0.6313652  0.6415157
```

- This model explains 63.6% (95% credible interval 63.1 to 64.2) of the variation in August temperatures.

## Model Posteriors

- Now we will explore the model posteriors to understand the effects of stream source on August temperatures

## Source effect

## Data for prediction

- First, calculate the average and SD of year from the original data, and the maximum temperature
- These are used to back calculate model posteriors to original scales as appropriate.

```
mean_year <- fit_data_year_summary$mean_year
sd_year <- fit_data_year_summary$sd_year
max_temp <- max(fit_data_orig$temp_c)
```

- Make a data frame with the original:
  - source
  - year\_s (Z\_score of year)
- We will then make a date of August 15th for each year for plotting purposes
- This data will be used to add posterior draws based on the model in the next step

```
source_data <- brm1$data |>
  select(source, year_s) |>
  distinct() |> # all combinations of source and year_s from empirical data
  mutate(year = (year_s*sd_year)+mean_year, # back calculate year Z-score to original year
         month = 8, # manually set month number
         day = 15, # and day number
         date = make_date(year, month, day)) |> # set this as a `date` variable type for plotting
  select(source, year_s, date) # only keep variables we need later

head(source_data) # see first few rows as an example
```

```
##      source      year_s      date
## 1 rock_glacier -0.7290059 2019-08-15
## 2 rock_glacier -0.2928012 2020-08-15
## 3 rock_glacier  0.1434035 2021-08-15
## 4 rock_glacier  0.5796081 2022-08-15
## 5 rock_glacier  1.0158128 2023-08-15
## 6 rock_glacier  1.4520175 2024-08-15
```

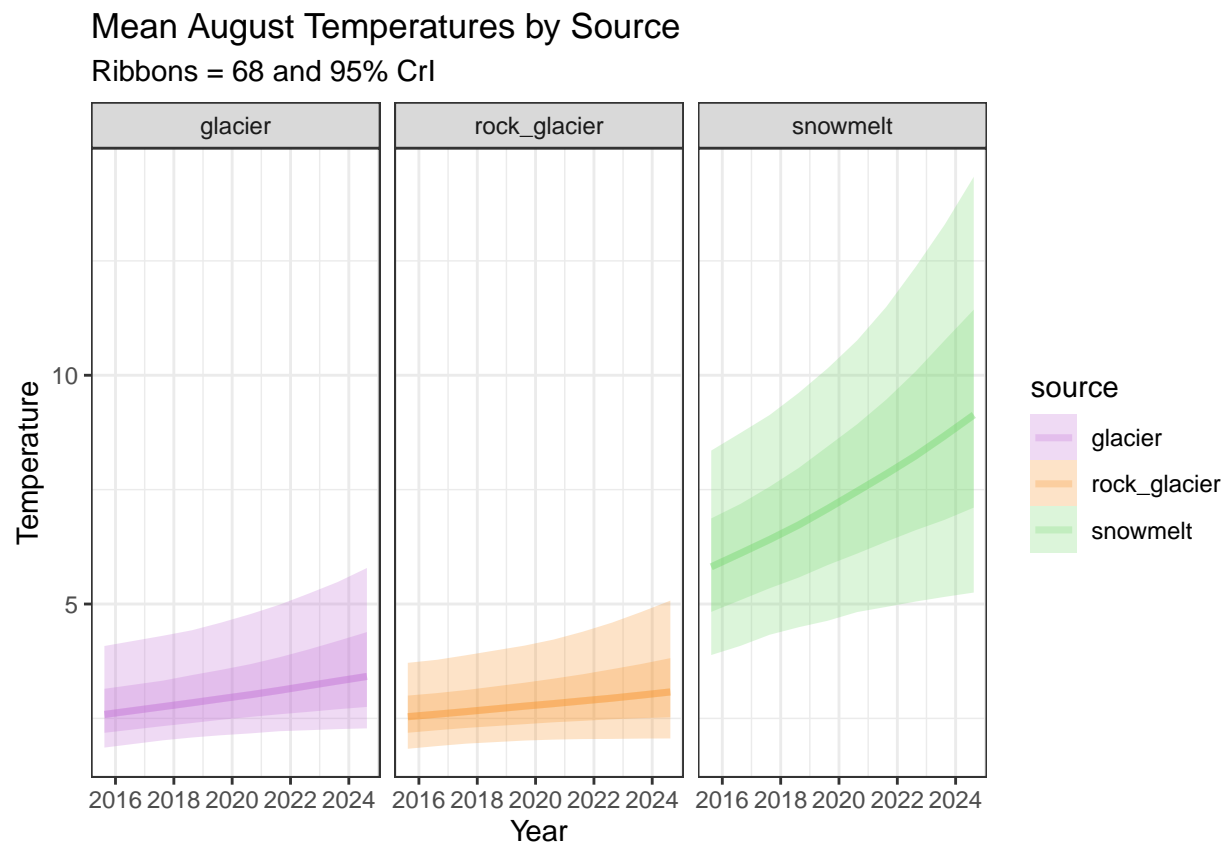
- Visualize the effect of year and source on August stream temperatures

```
# add posterior draws
source_time_plot <- add_epred_draws(
  newdata = source_data, # new data made above to add expected (mean) temperature values based on the p
  brm1, # the model fit
  re_formula = NA) |> # ignores random effects of site and just shows the overall fixed main and intera
  mutate(.epred = (.epred*max_temp)) |> # converts back to original temperature scale
  ggplot(aes(x = date,
             y = .epred,
             fill = source,
             color = source)) +
  stat_lineribbon(aes(y = .epred),
                 .width = c(0.95, 0.68),
                 alpha = 1/4) +
  theme_bw() +
```

```

labs(title = "Mean August Temperatures by Source",
     subtitle = "Ribbons = 68 and 95% CrI",
     x = "Year",
     y = "Temperature") +
facet_wrap(~source) +
scale_fill_manual(values = c("#C26ED6",
                             "#F89225",
                             "#76D96F")) +
scale_color_manual(values = c("#C26ED6",
                              "#F89225",
                              "#76D96F"))
source_time_plot

```



## Magnitude of change per year

- Calculate the change from year to year
- This is a Gamma model, so the interpretation of the “slope” ( $\beta_{year}$ ) coefficient is different from a standard generalized linear model
  - Instead of saying “Temperatures increase by”x” each year”, we say “Temperatures change each year by”x percentage”.
  - This is why there is a “curve” in the plots above.

- In order to estimate the percent change, I will create a dataframe with only 2 years from the middle of the data.
  - The expected values will be added with `add_epred_draws()`
  - The absolute difference will be calculated by subtracting the value in the last year from the first year
  - The percent change will then be calculated by dividing the difference by the value in the first year times 100
  - The distribution of the percent changes will be reported.
- Using other year-pairs from the data does not change the results (SI).

```
# 2019 and 2020
y_19_20 <- data.frame(
  year_real = c(2019, 2020)) |>
  mutate(year_s = (year_real - mean_year)/sd_year) |>
  expand_grid(source = unique(brm1$data$source)) |>
  add_epred_draws(brm1,
    re_formula = NA,
    allow_new_levels = TRUE) |>
  ungroup() |>
  mutate(.epred = .epred * max_temp) |>
  select(-.row, -.chain, -.iteration, -year_s) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from = "year_real",
    values_from = ".epred") |>
  mutate(slope_new = `2020` - `2019`) |>
  # slope_new = change in actual temperature right scale
  mutate(prop = slope_new / `2019` * 100)

y_19_20 |>
  group_by(source) |>
  mean_qi(prop)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 7
##   source      prop .lower .upper .width .point .interval
##   <chr>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1 glacier      3.15 -1.18  7.96  0.95 mean   qi
## 2 rock_glacier 2.21 -1.67  6.31  0.95 mean   qi
## 3 snowmelt     5.09  0.185 9.68  0.95 mean   qi
```

- snowfield streams increase by an average of 5.09% (CrI 0.18, 9.68) per year.
  - 95% CrI is entirely positive (see half eye plots below)
- glacier streams increase by an average of 3.15% (CrI -1.18, 8) per year.
  - 95% CrI is mostly positive, but there are also negative estimates
- rock\_glacier streams increase by an average of 2.21% (CrI -1.67, 6.31) per year.
  - 95% CrI is entirely positive (see halfeye plots below)

## Probability of positive slopes?

- The mean magnitude of the percent change from year to year is reported above
- But what is the probability that these slopes are positive?
- Calculate the proportion of slopes which are positive
- make a halfeye plot with the positive iterations highlighted

### Pr(positive)

```
pr_pos <- y_19_20 |>
  group_by(source) |>
  mutate(pos = slope_new > 0) |>
  summarize(pr_pos = mean(pos))
```

pr\_pos

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
##   source      pr_pos
##   <chr>      <dbl>
## 1 glacier    0.930
## 2 rock_glacier 0.879
## 3 snowmelt   0.978
```

- snowfield streams have a 97.8% chance of having increasing mean August temperatures
- glacier streams have a 93% chance of having increasing mean August temperatures
- rock\_glacier streams have an 88% chance of having increasing mean August temperatures

### Halfeye plot

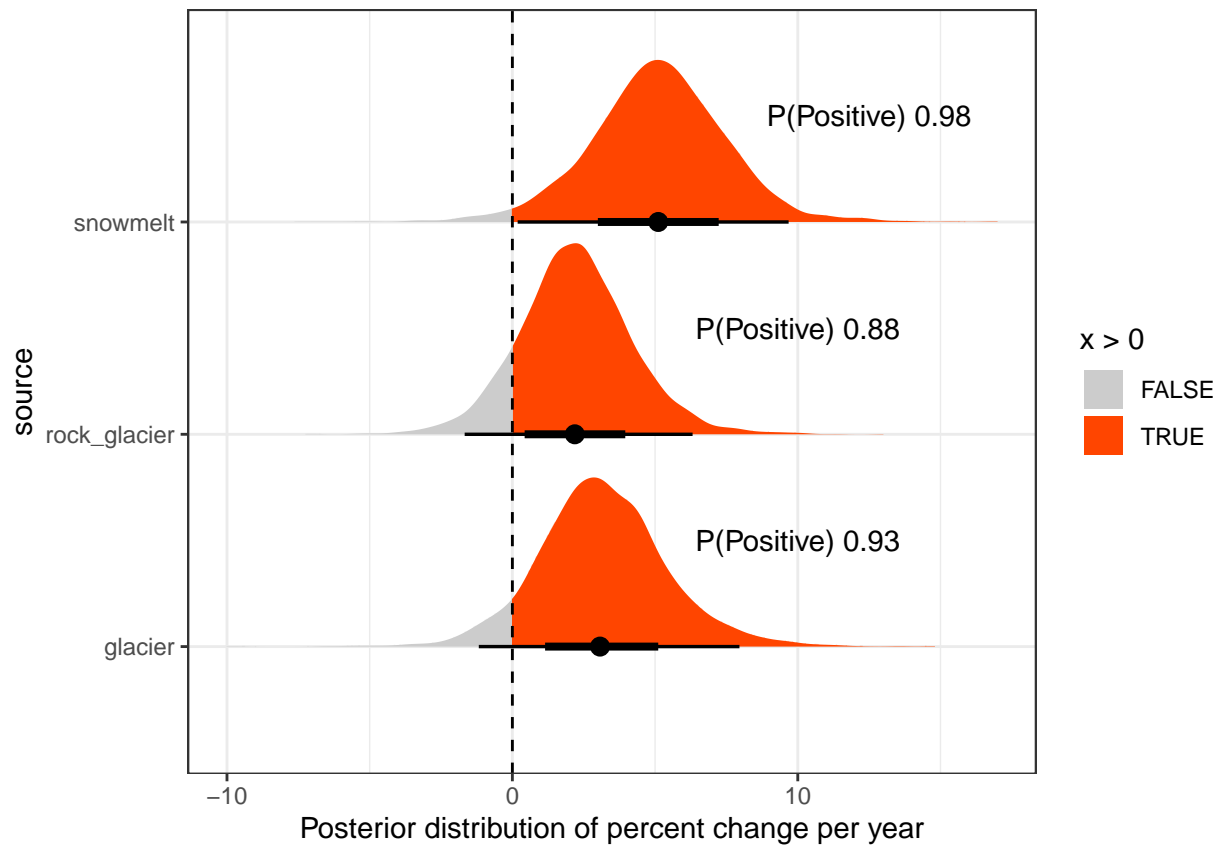
```
y_19_20 |>
  ggplot(
    aes(y = source,
         x = prop,
         fill = after_stat(x > 0))) +
  stat_halfeye() +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0,
             linetype = "dashed") +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("gray80", "orangered1")) +
  theme_bw() +
  labs(x = "Posterior distribution of percent change per year") +
  annotate("text", # rock_glacier
         x = 10,
         y = 2.5,
```

```

label = paste("P(Positive)",
              round(pr_pos[2,2],2),
              sep = " ")) +
annotate("text", # Glacier
        x = 10,
        y = 1.5,
        label = paste("P(Positive)",
                      round(pr_pos[1,2],2),
                      sep = " ")) +
annotate("text", # snow
        x = 12.5,
        y = 3.5,
        label = paste("P(Positive)",
                      round(pr_pos[3,2],2),
                      sep = " ")) +

```

NULL



### Source-specific changes across period of record

Here, we use the model posteriors to calculate the the average change in degrees C from 2015 to 2024 for each source category.

- First, make source-level data



- add expected posterior draws
- summarize and plot results

```
source_temps_data <- brm1$data |>
  select(source) |>
  distinct() |>
  expand_grid(year_real = c(2015, 2024)) |>
  mutate(year_s = (year_real - mean_year)/sd_year)

source_temps <- source_temps_data |>
  add_epred_draws(
    brm1,
    re_formula = NA) |> # does not include random effects
  mutate(.temp = (.epred*max_temp)) |>
  ungroup()

head(source_temps)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 9
##   source      year_real year_s .row .chain .iteration .draw
##   <chr>          <dbl> <dbl> <int> <int>      <int> <int>
## 1 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     1
## 2 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     2
## 3 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     3
## 4 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     4
## 5 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     5
## 6 rock_glaci~    2015  -2.47     1     NA         NA     6
## # i 2 more variables: .epred <dbl>, .temp <dbl>
```

- for each draw:
- Subtract the beginning temperature from the ending temperature
- Plot distributions of absolute change in temperatures per source

```
source_temp_change <- source_temps |>
  select(year_s, .temp, .draw, source) |>
  group_by(source, .draw) |>
  mutate(year_cat = case_when(
    year_s == min(year_s) ~ "start",
    .default = "end")) |>
  select(-year_s) |>
  pivot_wider(id_cols = c(.draw, source),
    names_from = year_cat,
    values_from = .temp) |>
  mutate(delta = end - start)

head(source_temp_change)
```

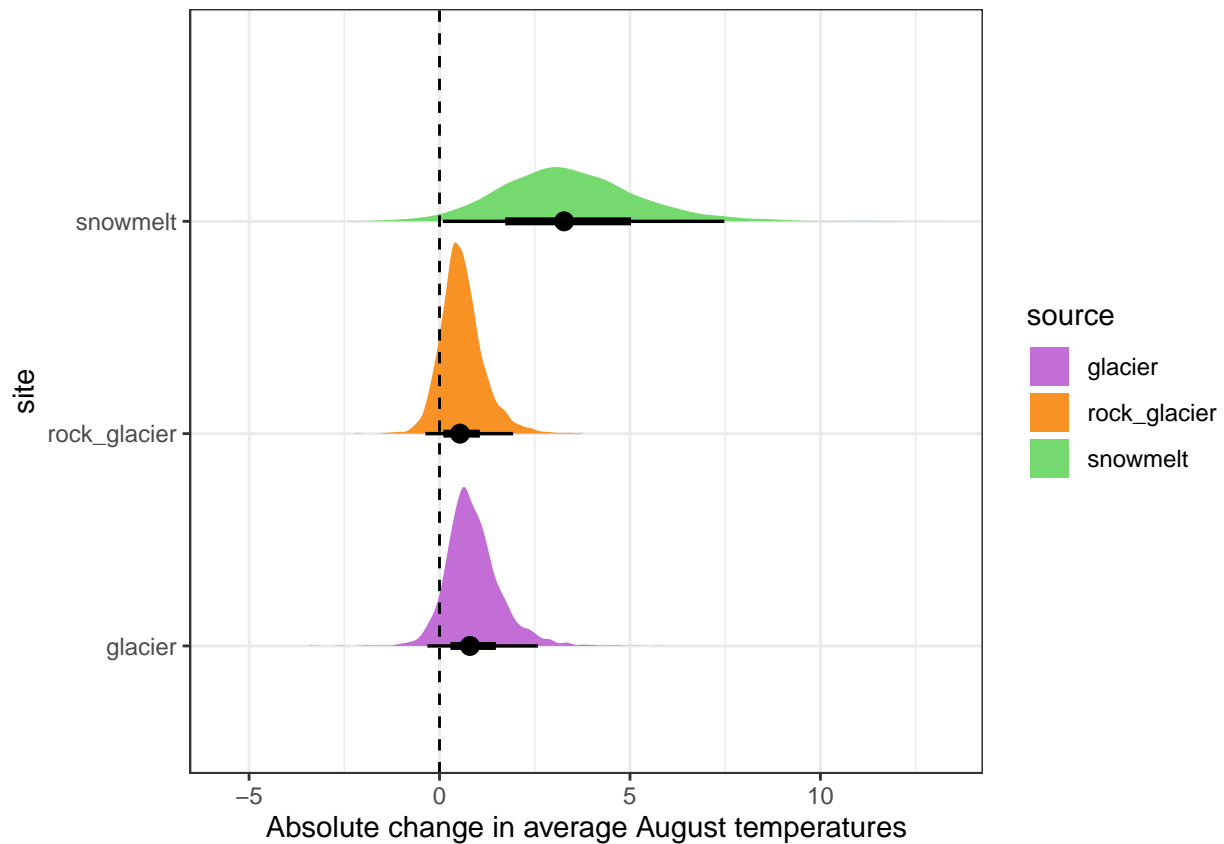
```
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
## # Groups:   source, .draw [6]
```

```
##   .draw source      start  end  delta
##   <int> <chr>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     1 rock_glacier 2.63  2.46 -0.161
## 2     2 rock_glacier 2.90  2.63 -0.268
## 3     3 rock_glacier 3.05  4.98  1.93
## 4     4 rock_glacier 2.91  4.00  1.09
## 5     5 rock_glacier 2.11  2.37  0.259
## 6     6 rock_glacier 2.97  3.57  0.600
```

```
source_temp_change_plot <- source_temp_change |>
  ggplot(aes(y = source,
             x = delta,
             fill = source)) +
  stat_halfeye() +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("#C26ED6",
                              "#F89225",
                              "#76D96F")) +

  theme_bw() +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0,
            linetype = "dashed") +
  labs(y = "site",
       x = "Absolute change in average August temperatures")

source_temp_change_plot
```



- Summary of temp change by source

```
source_temp_change |>
  group_by(source) |>
  mean_qi(delta)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 7
##   source      delta .lower .upper .width .point .interval
##   <chr>      <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl> <chr>  <chr>
## 1 glacier      0.889 -0.318   2.58   0.95 mean    qi
## 2 rock_glacier 0.592 -0.372   1.93   0.95 mean    qi
## 3 snowmelt     3.41  0.0905   7.48   0.95 mean    qi
```

- here `delta` is the absolute change in degrees C from 2015 to 2024
- calculated as temp in 2024 - temp in 2015
  - so positive values are *increases* in temperature
  - Negative values are decreases in temperature

## Site-specific predictions

- Here, we have the results for each site
- First, make site-level data
- add expected posterior draws
- summarize and plot results

```
site_data <- brm1$data |>
  select(source, year_s, site) |>
  distinct() |>
  group_by(site) |>
  mutate(year = (year_s*sd_year)+mean_year,
         month = 8,
         day = 15,
         date = make_date(year, month, day))

site_temps <- add_epred_draws(
  newdata = site_data,
  brm1,
  re_formula = NULL) |> # includes random effects
  mutate(.temp = (.epred*max_temp))

head(site_temps)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 13
## # Groups:   source, year_s, site, year, month, day, date,
## #   .row [1]
##   source      year_s site      year month    day date      .row
##   <chr>      <dbl> <chr>  <dbl> <dbl>  <dbl> <date>    <int>
```

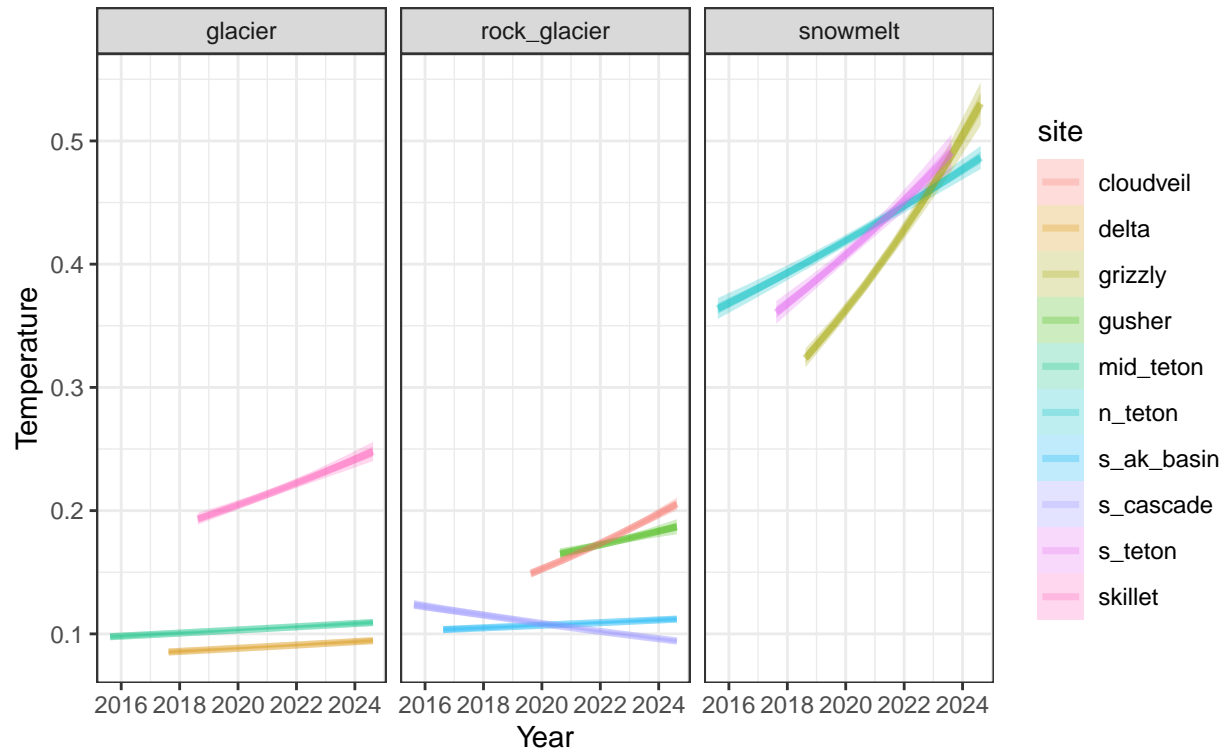
```
## 1 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## 2 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## 3 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## 4 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## 5 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## 6 rock_glac~ -0.729 clou~ 2019      8      15 2019-08-15      1
## # i 5 more variables: .chain <int>, .iteration <int>,
## #   .draw <int>, .epred <dbl>, .temp <dbl>
```

## Plot through time

```
ggplot(site_temps,
       aes(x = date,
           y = .epred,
           fill = site,
           color = site)) +
  stat_lineribbon(aes(y = .epred),
                 .width = c(0.95, 0.68),
                 alpha = 1/4) +
  theme_bw() +
  labs(title = "Mean August Temperatures by Source",
       subtitle = "Ribbons = 68 and 95% CrI",
       x = "Year",
       y = "Temperature") +
  facet_wrap(~source)
```

## Mean August Temperatures by Source

Ribbons = 68 and 95% CrI



- Notice that nearly all streams increase in temperature through time
- However, `s_cascade` actually *declines* in temperature through time
  - This may be of interest to discuss in the paper?
  - perhaps this rock glacier is melting faster, hence putting more cold water into the stream?
  - Or maybe something else?

### Site-specific percent change

```
s_19_20 <- brm1$data |>
  select(source, site) |>
  distinct() |>
  expand_grid(year_real = c(2019, 2020)) |>
  mutate(year_s = (year_real - mean_year)/sd_year) |>
  add_epred_draws(brm1,
    re_formula = NULL) |>
  ungroup() |>
  mutate(.epred = .epred * max_temp) |>
  select(-.row, -.chain, -.iteration, -year_s) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from = "year_real",
    values_from = ".epred") |>
```

```
mutate(slope_new = `2020` - `2019`) |>
# slope_new = change in actual temperature right scale
mutate(prop = slope_new / `2019` * 100)

s_19_20 |>
  group_by(site, source) |>
  mean_qi(prop) |>
  arrange(source, site, prop)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 8
##   site source   prop .lower .upper .width .point .interval
##   <chr> <chr>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>   <chr>
## 1 delta glaci~  1.48  0.955  1.99  0.95 mean    qi
## 2 mid_~ glaci~  1.24  0.833  1.65  0.95 mean    qi
## 3 skil~ glaci~  4.24  3.42   5.05  0.95 mean    qi
## 4 clou~ rock_~  6.63  5.78   7.49  0.95 mean    qi
## 5 gush~ rock_~  3.16  1.85   4.48  0.95 mean    qi
## 6 s_ak~ rock_~  0.991 0.529  1.46  0.95 mean    qi
## 7 s_ca~ rock_~ -2.97 -3.43 -2.54 0.95 mean    qi
## 8 griz~ snowm~  8.58  7.70   9.45  0.95 mean    qi
## 9 n_te~ snowm~  3.28  2.87   3.71  0.95 mean    qi
## 10 s_te~ snowm~  5.25  4.40   6.09  0.95 mean    qi
```

### Site-specific Pr(+)

```
s_19_20 |>
  group_by(site) |>
  mutate(pos = slope_new > 0) |>
  summarize(pr_pos = mean(pos))
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 2
##   site      pr_pos
##   <chr>      <dbl>
## 1 cloudveil      1
## 2 delta          1
## 3 grizzly        1
## 4 gusher         1
## 5 mid_teton      1
## 6 n_teton        1
## 7 s_ak_basin     1
## 8 s_cascade      0
## 9 s_teton        1
## 10 skillet       1
```

### site-specific change in temperatures

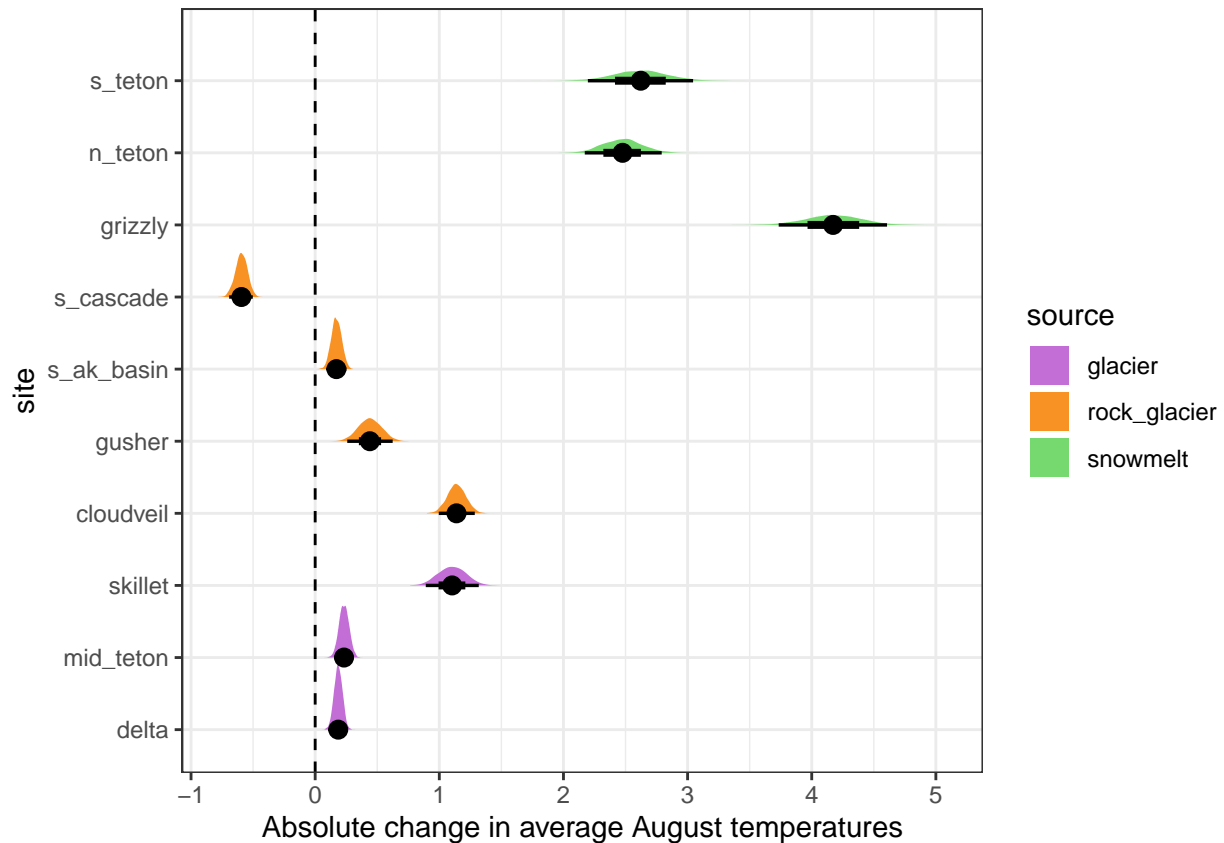
- mean temperature change
- first year with empirical data

- last year with empirical data (mostly 2024)

```

site_temp_change_plot <- brm1$data |>
  select(source, year_s, site) |>
  distinct() |>
  group_by(site) |>
  filter(year_s == min(year_s) |
         year_s == max(year_s)) |>
  mutate(year = (year_s*sd_year)+mean_year) |>
  add_epred_draws(
    brm1,
    re_formula = NULL) |> # includes random effects
  mutate(.temp = (.epred*max_temp)) |>
  ungroup() |>
  select(site, year, .temp, .draw, source) |>
  group_by(source, site, .draw) |>
  mutate(year_cat = case_when(
    year == min(year) ~ "start",
    .default = "end")) |>
  select(-year) |>
  pivot_wider(id_cols = c(site, .draw, source),
              names_from = year_cat,
              values_from = .temp) |>
  mutate(delta = end - start,
         group = cur_group_id()) |>
  ggplot(aes(y = fct_reorder(site, group),
             x = delta,
             fill = source)) +
  stat_halfeye()+
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("#C26ED6",
                              "#F89225",
                              "#76D96F")) +
  theme_bw() +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0,
             linetype = "dashed") +
  labs(y = "site",
       x = "Absolute change in average August temperatures")
site_temp_change_plot

```



- range of years for each site

```
site_temps |>
  ungroup() |>
  select(site, year) |>
  group_by(site) |>
  filter(year == min(year) |
         year == max(year)) |>
  distinct(site, year) |>
  mutate(year_cat = case_when(
    year == min(year) ~ "start",
    .default = "end")) |>
  pivot_wider(id_cols = c(site),
              names_from = year_cat,
              values_from = year) |>
  mutate(year_range = end - start) |>
  arrange(start, end)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 4
## # Groups:   site [10]
##   site      start  end year_range
##   <chr>    <dbl> <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 mid_teton  2015  2024         9
## 2 n_teton   2015  2024         9
## 3 s_cascade  2015  2024         9
```



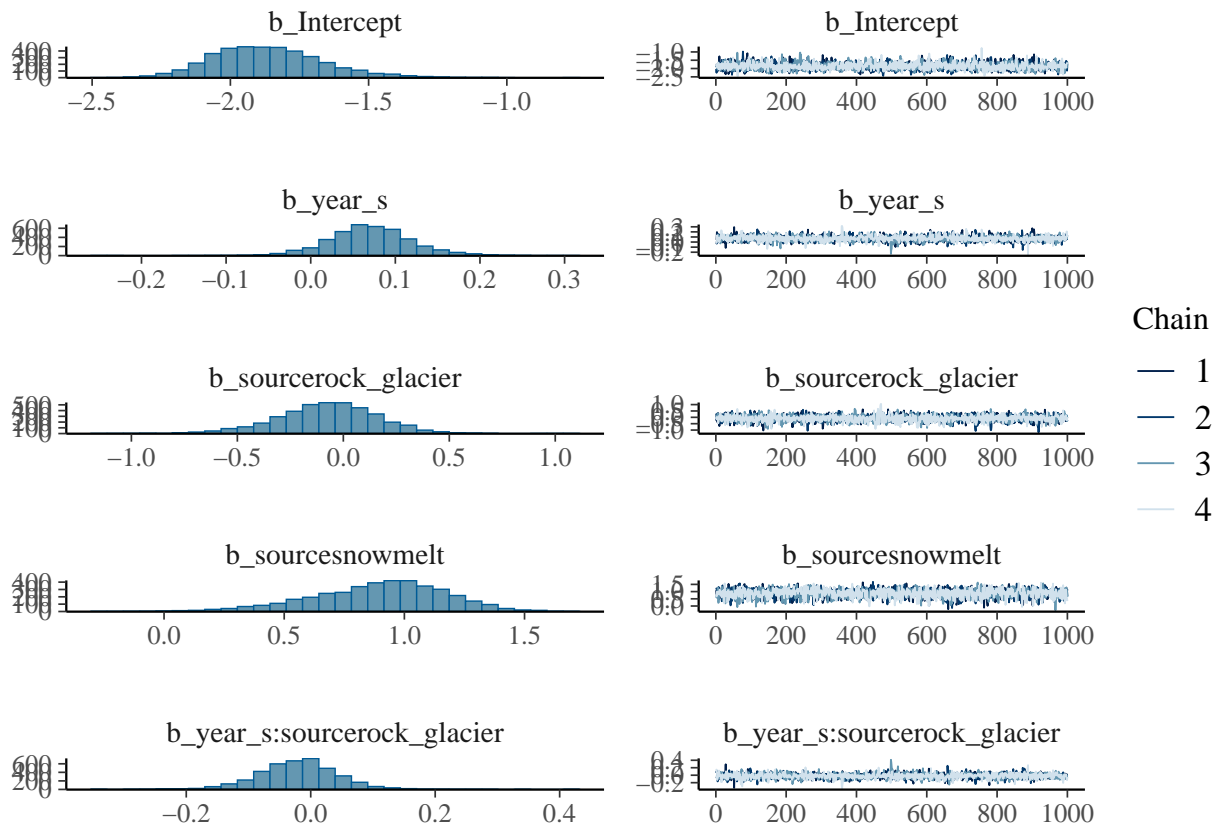
##	4	s_ak_basin	2016	2024	8
##	5	s_teton	2017	2023	6
##	6	delta	2017	2024	7
##	7	grizzly	2018	2024	6
##	8	skillet	2018	2024	6
##	9	cloudveil	2019	2024	5
##	10	gusher	2020	2024	4

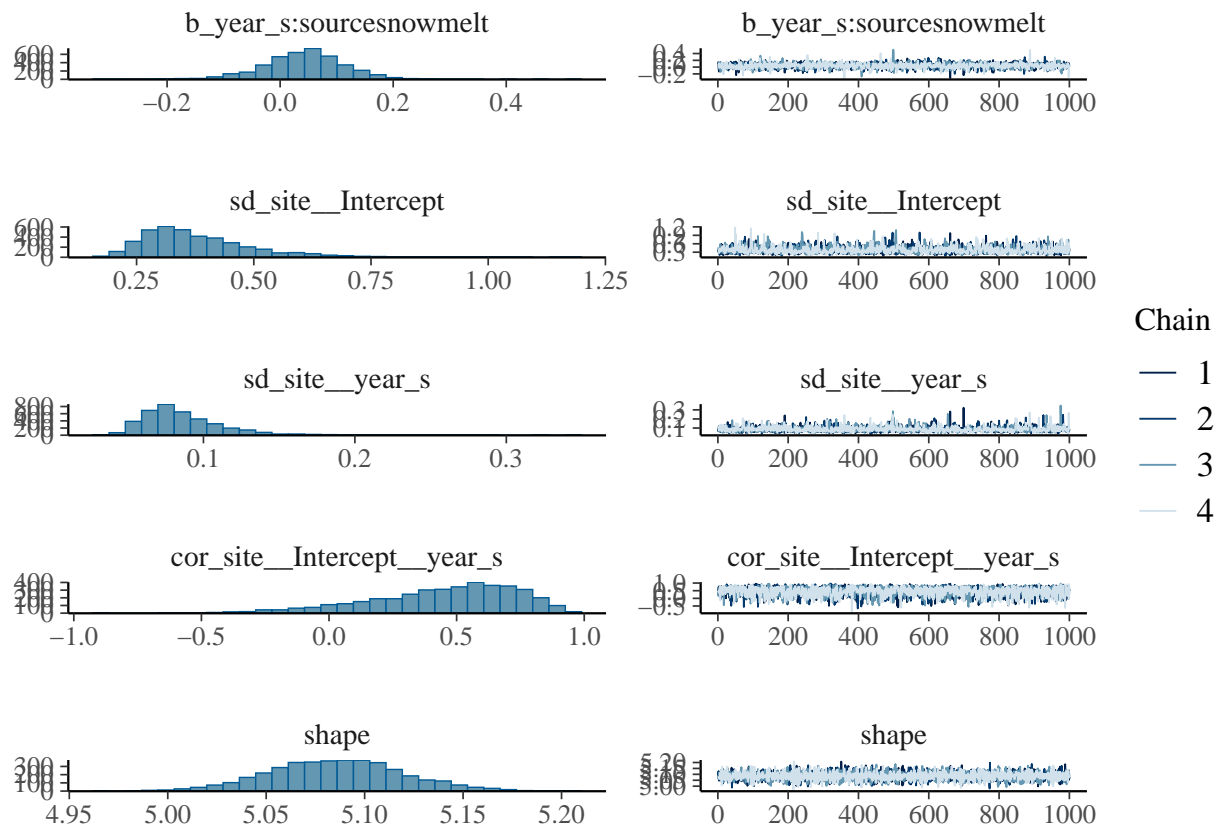
## SI

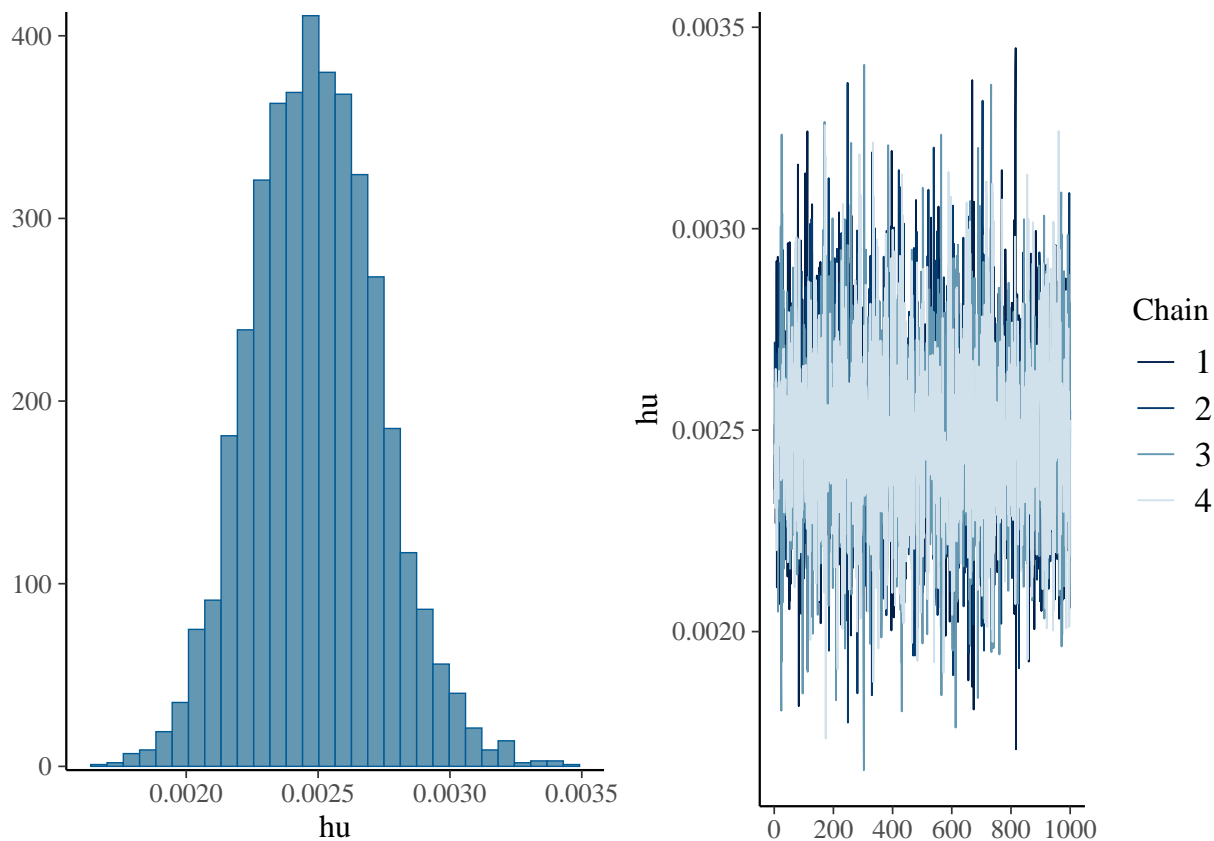
### Model Fit

Model MCMC Chains and posterior of parameters

```
plot(brm1, ask = FALSE)
```







All Rhats < 1.1

```
summary(brm1)
```

```
## Family: hurdle_gamma
## Links: mu = log; shape = identity; hu = identity
## Formula: temp_1 ~ year_s + source + year_s:source + (1 + year_s | site)
## Data: mod_dat (Number of observations: 43371)
## Draws: 4 chains, each with iter = 2000; warmup = 1000; thin = 1;
##        total post-warmup draws = 4000
##
## Multilevel Hyperparameters:
## ~site (Number of levels: 10)
##
```

	Estimate	Est.Error	1-95% CI	u-95% CI
sd(Intercept)	0.38	0.12	0.22	0.68
sd(year_s)	0.09	0.03	0.05	0.16
cor(Intercept,year_s)	0.45	0.29	-0.24	0.87

```
##
```

	Rhat	Bulk_ESS	Tail_ESS
sd(Intercept)	1.00	1690	1989
sd(year_s)	1.00	1654	2503
cor(Intercept,year_s)	1.00	2697	2455

```
##
## Regression Coefficients:
##
```

	Estimate	Est.Error	1-95% CI
--	----------	-----------	----------

```
## Intercept                -1.86      0.20    -2.21
## year_s                   0.07      0.05    -0.03
## sourcerock_glacier       -0.08      0.24    -0.57
## sourcesnowmelt           0.89      0.28     0.28
## year_s:sourcerock_glacier -0.02      0.06    -0.15
## year_s:sourcesnowmelt     0.04      0.07    -0.11
##                          u-95% CI Rhat Bulk_ESS Tail_ESS
## Intercept                -1.41 1.00     2255     2217
## year_s                   0.18 1.00     2617     2375
## sourcerock_glacier       0.36 1.00     2650     2154
## sourcesnowmelt           1.37 1.00     2201     2653
## year_s:sourcerock_glacier 0.10 1.00     2698     2465
## year_s:sourcesnowmelt     0.18 1.00     2464     2098
##
## Further Distributional Parameters:
##      Estimate Est.Error l-95% CI u-95% CI Rhat Bulk_ESS
## shape      5.09      0.03     5.02     5.15 1.00     6936
## hu          0.00      0.00     0.00     0.00 1.00     7675
##      Tail_ESS
## shape      2669
## hu          2703
##
## Draws were sampled using sampling(NUTS). For each parameter, Bulk_ESS
## and Tail_ESS are effective sample size measures, and Rhat is the potential
## scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat = 1).
```

## Percent change

### Comparison between other year pairs

```
data.frame(
  year_real = c(2015, 2016)) |>
  mutate(year_s = (year_real - mean_year)/sd_year) |>
  expand_grid(source = unique(brm1$data$source)) |>
  add_epred_draws(brm1,
    re_formula = NA,
    allow_new_levels = TRUE) |>
  ungroup() |>
  mutate(.epred = .epred * max_temp) |>
  select(-.row, -.chain, -.iteration, -year_s) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from = "year_real",
    values_from = ".epred") |>
  mutate(slope_new = `2016` - `2015`) |>
  # slope_new = change in actual temperature right scale
  mutate(prop = slope_new / `2015` * 100) |>
  group_by(source) |>
  mean_qi(prop)
```

### 2015 to 2016

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 7
```

```
##   source      prop .lower .upper .width .point .interval
##   <chr>       <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl> <chr>  <chr>
## 1 glacier    3.15 -1.18   7.96   0.95 mean   qi
## 2 rock_glacier 2.21 -1.67   6.31   0.95 mean   qi
## 3 snowmelt    5.09  0.185  9.68   0.95 mean   qi
```

```
data.frame(
  year_real = c(2023, 2024)) |>
  mutate(year_s = (year_real - mean_year)/sd_year) |>
  expand_grid(source = unique(brm1$data$source)) |>
  add_epred_draws(brm1,
    re_formula = NA,
    allow_new_levels = TRUE) |>
  ungroup() |>
  mutate(.epred = .epred * max_temp) |>
  select(-.row, -.chain, -.iteration, -year_s) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from = "year_real",
    values_from = ".epred") |>
  mutate(slope_new = `2024` - `2023`) |>
  # slope_new = change in actual temperature right scale
  mutate(prop = slope_new / `2023` * 100) |>
  group_by(source) |>
  mean_qi(prop)
```

## 2023 to 2024

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 7
##   source      prop .lower .upper .width .point .interval
##   <chr>       <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl>  <dbl> <chr>  <chr>
## 1 glacier    3.15 -1.18   7.96   0.95 mean   qi
## 2 rock_glacier 2.21 -1.67   6.31   0.95 mean   qi
## 3 snowmelt    5.09  0.185  9.68   0.95 mean   qi
```

- Exact same results as 2019-2020 reported above