Code for Tree-Ring Evidence of Increasing Drought Risks amidst Projected Flood Intensification in the Kabul River Basin (Afghanistan and Pakistan) by Khan et al. (2022)

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## **Introduction and Preparations**

This document details the process of producing the results presented in Tree-Ring Evidence of Increasing Drought Risks amidst Projected Flood Intensification in the Kabul River Basin (Afghanistan and Pakistan) by Khan et al. (2022).

To reproduce the results, please do the following:

- This code requires R 4.1.0 and above.
- Download the code repository from the GitHub repo and extract the downloaded .zip file to your working folder.
- Open chitral-precip. Rproj in RStudio (It's important to open this first so that the file path is loaded properly).
- Install and load the following packages if you don't already have them. For package ldsr, please use the development version which can be installed from GitHub with

```
remotes::install_github('ntthung/ldsr')
```

```
library(dplR)
                    # Tree ring data processing
library(ldsr)
                    # Tree ring data processing
library(data.table) # Data handling
library(missMDA)
                    # Imputation
library(qmap)
                    # Bias correction
library(modifiedmk) # Trend analysis
library(ggplot2)
                    # Plotting
library(cowplot)
                    # Plotting
library(patchwork)
                   # Plotting
library(ggprism)
                    # Plotting
library(ggnewscale) # Plotting
theme_set(theme_prism(base_size = 10, base_fontface = 'plain', base_line_size = 0.2))
```

- Open paper-code.Rmd, which is the source code for this document.
- Follow the written details below and run the code chunks one by one.

This R Markdown is set to render both HTML and PDF outputs. To do so, please run

```
rmarkdown::render('paper-code.Rmd', output_format = 'all', output_options = list(hightlight = 'tango'))
```

For quick access to the final results please see the .csv file in results/.

The code utilities to support the main code are stored in the folder R/. We need to load them first before running the main code.

```
source('R/init.R')
source('R/input-selection-functions.R')
source('R/correlation_functions.R')
source('R/drought_analysis_functions.R')
```

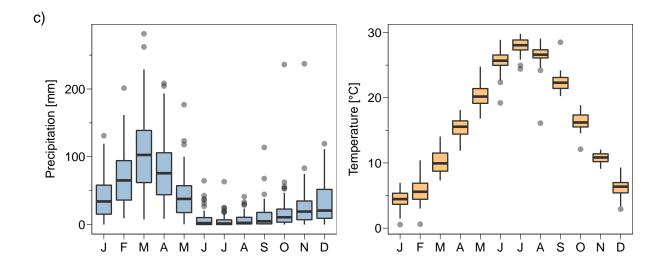
## Data

#### Climate data

#### Figure 1c

```
p1 <- ggplot(Pm) +
    geom_boxplot(aes(month2, Pm), fill = 'steelblue', alpha = 0.5) +
    labs(x = NULL, y = 'Precipitation [mm]', tag = 'c)') +
    scale_x_discrete(labels = \(x) substr(x, 1, 1)) +
    scale_y_continuous(guide = guide_prism_minor()) +
    panel_border('black', 0.2)

p2 <- ggplot(Tm) +
    geom_boxplot(aes(month2, Tm), fill = 'darkorange', alpha = 0.5) +
    labs(x = NULL, y = 'Temperature [\u00b0C]') +
    scale_x_discrete(labels = \(x) substr(x, 1, 1)) +
    scale_y_continuous(guide = guide_prism_minor()) +
    panel_border('black', 0.2)
p1 + p2</pre>
```



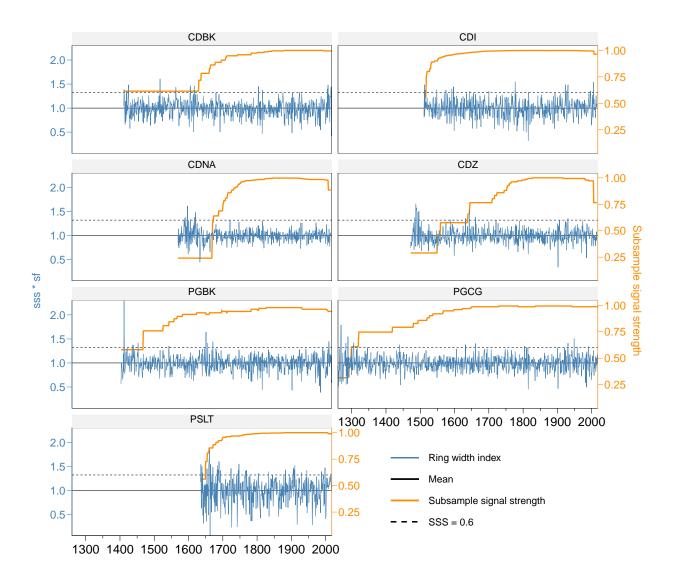
## Tree ring data

```
# Read ARSTAN outputs
crnRaw <- lapplyrbind(
  list.files('data/', '.tabs', full.names = TRUE),
  function(fn) {
    dt <- fread(fn)
    dt[, site := substr(fn, 6, nchar(fn) - 5)]
  })
setkey(crnRaw, site)
sssOut <- fread('data/sss.csv', key = 'site')
crn <- merge(crnRaw, sssOut, by = c('site', 'year'))

firstYear <- crn[sss > 0.6][, .N, by = year][N >= 4, first(year)]
lastYear <- 2018
# Use the residual chronology
crnWide <- crn[year %in% firstYear:lastYear, dcast(.SD, year ~ site, value.var = c('res'))]</pre>
```

Figure S1 - Chronology and SSS plot

```
scale_x_continuous(
 name = NULL,
 breaks = seq(1300, 2000, 100),
 minor_breaks = seq(1300, 2000, 50),
 guide = guide_prism_minor(),
 expand = c(0, 0)) +
scale_y_continuous(
  sec.axis = sec_axis(~ . / sf, name = 'Subsample signal strength',
                      breaks = seq(0, 1, 0.25)),
 expand = c(0, 0)) +
scale_color_manual(
 name = NULL,
 breaks = c('Ring width index', 'Mean',
             'Subsample signal strength', 'SSS = 0.6'),
 values = c('steelblue', 'black', 'darkorange', 'black')) +
scale_linetype_manual(
 name = NULL,
 breaks = c('Ring width index', 'Mean',
             'Subsample signal strength', 'SSS = 0.6'),
 values = c(1, 1, 1, 2)) +
guides(color = guide_legend(override.aes = list(size = 0.50))) +
theme(
  strip.background = element_rect('gray95', NA),
 legend.position = c(0.75, 0.1),
 legend.key.width = unit(1, 'cm'),
 panel.border = element_rect(NA, 'black', 0.2),
 axis.ticks.y.right = element_line(color = 'darkorange'),
 axis.text.y.right = element_text(color = 'darkorange', size = 9),
 axis.title.y.right = element_text(color = 'darkorange', size = 9),
 axis.line.y.right = element_line(color = 'darkorange'),
 axis.ticks.y.left = element_line(color = 'steelblue'),
 axis.text.y.left = element_text(color = 'steelblue', size = 9),
 axis.title.y.left = element_text(color = 'steelblue', size = 9),
 axis.line.y.left = element_line(color = 'steelblue'))
```



## Climate-growth relationship

First we infill the tree ring data

```
X <- crnWide[, -'year'] |>
    as.matrix() |>
    imputePCA(ncp = 6) |>
    {\(x) x$completeObs}{\()}

PC <- prcomp(X, scale. = TRUE)$x

Xraw <- as.matrix(crnWide[, -'year'])
impModel <- imputePCA(Xraw, ncp = 6)

Xfilled <- impModel$completeObs

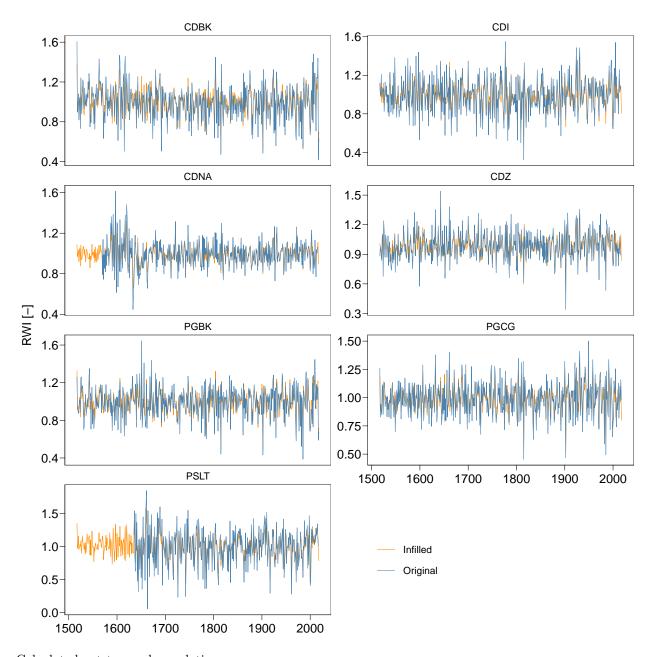
Xfitted <- impModel$fittedX
    colnames(Xfitted) <- colnames(Xfilled)

crnFitted <- as.data.table(as.data.frame(Xfitted))
crnFitted[, year := 1517:2018]
crnFittedLong <- melt(</pre>
```

```
crnFitted, id.vars = 'year', variable.name = 'site', value.name = 'rwi')
crnMerge <- rbindlist(
  list(Infilled = crnFittedLong, Original = crn[, .(site, year, rwi = res)]),
  use.names = TRUE,
  idcol = 'type')</pre>
```

## Figure S2

```
ggplot(crnMerge[year >= 1517]) +
  geom_line(aes(year, rwi, color = type)) +
  facet_wrap(vars(site), ncol = 2, scales = 'free_y') +
  scale_color_manual(values = c('darkorange', 'steelblue')) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(1500, 2000, 100)) +
  labs(x = NULL, y = 'RWI [-]') +
  panel_border('black', 0.2) +
  theme(legend.position = c(0.6, 0.1))
```



 ${\bf Calculate\ bootstrapped\ correlations}$ 

```
treeYears <- crnWide$year
# Current year
# Merge TR in 1965-2018 with precipitation in 1965-2018
instIndc <- which(treeYears %in% 1965:2018)
XYc <- cbind(Xfilled[instIndc, ], as.matrix(PmWide[, -'year']))
# Tree rings and previous year precipitation
# Merge TR in 1966-2018 with precipitation in 1965-2017
instIndp <- which((treeYears - 1) %in% 1965:2017) # previous year streamflow
XYp <- cbind(Xfilled[instIndp, ], as.matrix(PmWide[-.N, -'year']))
# Tree rings and next year precipitation</pre>
```

```
# Merge TR in 1963-2016 with precipitation in 1965-2018
# instIndn <- which((treeYears + 1) %in% 1965:2018) # next year streamflow
# XYn <- cbind(Xfilled[instIndn, ], as.matrix(PmWide[, -'year']))

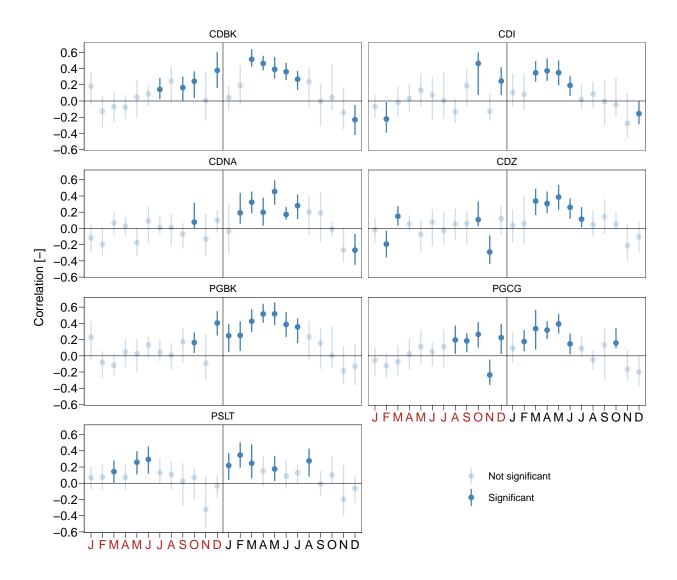
set.seed(2022)
corDTc <- cor_boot(XYc, 1:7, 8:19, groupNames = c('site', 'month')) # current year
corDTp <- cor_boot(XYp, 1:7, 8:19, groupNames = c('site', 'month')) # current year
# corDTn <- cor_boot(XYn, 1:7, 8:19, groupNames = c('site', 'month')) # current year

corDTc[, month := pasteO(month, 'c')]
corDTp[, month := pasteO(month, 'p')]
# corDTn[, month := pasteO(month, 'n')]

corDTPm <- rbind(corDTp, corDTc)
corDTPm[, month := factor(month, c(pasteO(month.abb, 'p'), pasteO(month.abb, 'c')))]</pre>
```

## Figure 2

```
ggplot(corDTPm) +
  geom_linerange(
   aes(x = month, ymin = low, ymax = high, alpha = signif), color = 'steelblue') +
  geom_point(
   aes(x = month, y = rho0, alpha = signif), color = 'steelblue') +
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 0)) +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 12.5) +
  facet_wrap(vars(site), ncol = 2) +
  scale_x_discrete(name = NULL, labels = monthLab) +
  scale_y_continuous(name = 'Correlation [-]',
                     breaks = c(-0.6, -0.4, -0.2, 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6)) +
  scale alpha manual(
   values = c(0.25, 1), labels = c('Not significant', 'Significant')) +
  theme(
   legend.position = c(0.75, 0.1),
   axis.text.x = ggtext::element_markdown()) +
  panel_border('black', 0.2)
```



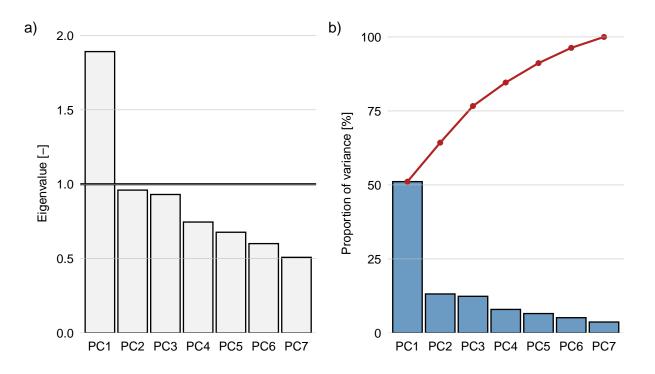
# September to August precipitation reconstruction

## Principal compnent analysis

## Figure S3

```
p1 <- ggplot(pcDT[var == 'Standard deviation']) +
  geom_col(aes(PC, value), color = 'black', fill = 'gray95') +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 1, size = 0.8) +
  scale_y_continuous(expand = expansion(add = c(0, 0.01)),</pre>
```

```
limits = c(0, 2)) +
  labs(x = NULL, y = 'Eigenvalue [-]', tag = 'a)') +
  theme(
    panel.grid.major.y = element_line('gray'),
    panel.ontop = TRUE,
    axis.ticks = element_blank(),
    axis.line = element_blank())
p2 <- ggplot() +
  geom_col(
    aes(PC, value * 100),
    pcDT[var == 'Proportion of Variance'],
    fill = 'steelblue', color = 'black', alpha = 0.8) +
  geom_line(
    aes(PC, value * 100, group = 1),
    pcDT[var == 'Cumulative Proportion'],
    color = 'firebrick', size = 0.8) +
  geom_point(
    aes(PC, value * 100),
    pcDT[var == 'Cumulative Proportion'],
    color = 'firebrick', size = 1.6) +
  labs(x = NULL, y = 'Proportion of variance [%]', tag = 'b)') +
  scale_y_continuous(expand = expansion(add = c(0, 1))) +
  theme(
    panel.grid.major.y = element_line('gray'),
    panel.ontop = TRUE,
    axis.ticks = element_blank(),
    axis.line = element_blank())
p1 + p2
```



## Reconstruction

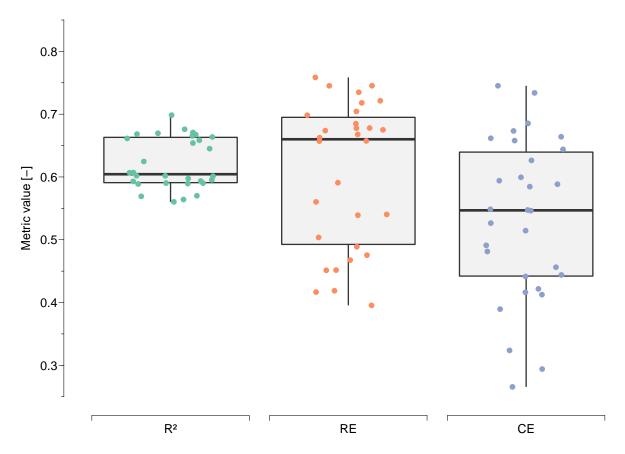
Performance scores

```
round(lmCV$metrics, 2)
```

```
## R2 RE CE nRMSE KGE
## 1: 0.62 0.61 0.53 0.2 0.67
```

## Figure S4 - score distribution

```
scores <- melt(lmCV$metrics.dist[, .(R2, RE, CE)],</pre>
               measure.vars = 1:3,
               variable.name = 'metric')
ggplot(scores) +
  geom_boxplot(aes(metric, value), fill = 'grey95') +
  geom_jitter(aes(metric, value, color = metric), width = 0.25) +
  scale_color_brewer(palette = 'Set2') +
  scale_x_discrete(
    name = NULL,
    guide = guide_prism_bracket(),
    labels = c('R\setminus u00b2', 'RE', 'CE')) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    name = 'Metric value [-]',
    limits = c(0.25, 0.85),
    breaks = seq(0.2, 0.9, 0.1),
    minor_breaks = seq(0.25, 0.85, 0.05),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  theme(legend.position = 'none')
```



Final reconstruction with bias correction

```
recFinal <- lmFit$rec
recFinal[, lp20 := dplR::pass.filt(Q, 20, 'low')]
recFinal[, lp50 := dplR::pass.filt(Q, 50, 'low')]
bcFit <- fitQmap(
   PSepAug$Qa,
   recFinal[year %in% PSepAug$year, Q],
   'RQUANT',
   wet.day = FALSE)
recFinal[, Qbc := doQmap(Q, bcFit)]</pre>
```

## Figure 3

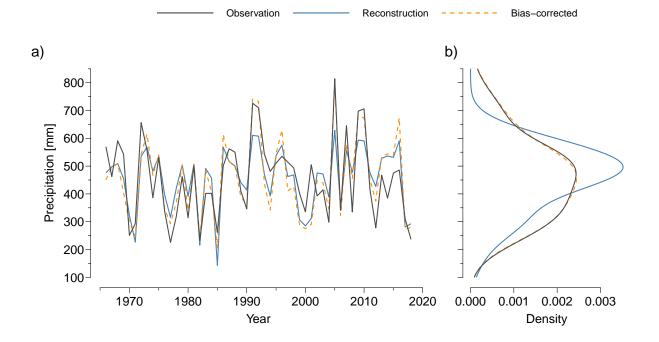
```
name = NULL,
    values = c('Observation' = 1,
               'Reconstruction' = 1,
               'Bias-corrected' = 2)) +
  scale_x_continuous(
    minor_breaks = seq(1965, 2020, 5),
    limits = c(1966, 2018),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  scale y continuous(
    minor_breaks = seq(100, 850, 50),
    breaks = seq(100, 850, 100),
    limits = c(100, 850),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  labs(x = 'Year', y = 'Precipitation [mm]', tag = 'a)') +
  theme(
    plot.margin = margin(r = 10),
    legend.box.margin = margin(),
    legend.margin = margin(),
    legend.key.width = unit(2, 'cm'),
    legend.position = 'top')
p2 <- ggplot() +
  stat_density(aes(y = Q, colour = 'Reconstruction', linetype = 'Reconstruction'),
               recFinal[year %in% PSepAug$year], geom = 'line', bw = 60, size = 0.4) +
  stat_density(aes(y = Qbc, colour = 'Bias-corrected', linetype = 'Bias-corrected'),
               recFinal[year %in% PSepAug$year], geom = 'line', bw = 70, size = 0.4) +
  stat_density(aes(y = Qa, colour = 'Observation', linetype = 'Observation'),
               PSepAug, geom = 'line', bw = 70, size = 0.4) +
  scale_colour_manual(
    name = NULL,
    values = c('Observation' = 'gray30',
               'Reconstruction' = 'steelblue',
               'Bias-corrected' = 'darkorange')) +
  scale_linetype_manual(
    name = NULL,
    values = c('Observation' = 1,
               'Reconstruction' = 1,
               'Bias-corrected' = 2)) +
  scale_x_continuous(guide = guide_prism_offset()) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    minor_breaks = seq(100, 850, 50),
    breaks = seq(100, 850, 100),
    limits = c(100, 850),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  labs(y = NULL, x = 'Density', colour = NULL, tag = 'b)') +
  theme(
    axis.text.y = element_blank(),
    legend.box.margin = margin(),
    legend.margin = margin(),
    legend.key.width = unit(2, 'cm'),
    legend.position = 'top') +
  theme(legend.position = 'top')
layout <- '
```

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p1 + p2 + guide_area() +
   plot_layout(design = layout, guides = 'collect')
```



# Trend and drought analyses

Calculate rolling statistics and extract drought events

```
alignType <- 'right'
recFinal[, rolMax := frollapply(Qbc, 50, max, align = alignType)]
recFinal[, rolMin := frollapply(Qbc, 50, min, align = alignType)]
recFinal[, rolMed := frollapply(Qbc, 50, median, align = alignType)]
recFinal[, period := fcase(
   year %in% 1517:1767, 1,
   default = 2)]
densCals <- recFinal[, {
   d <- density(Qbc, cut = 0, bw = 45)
   list(x = d$x, y = d$y / max(d$y) * 1.5)
}, by = period]</pre>
```

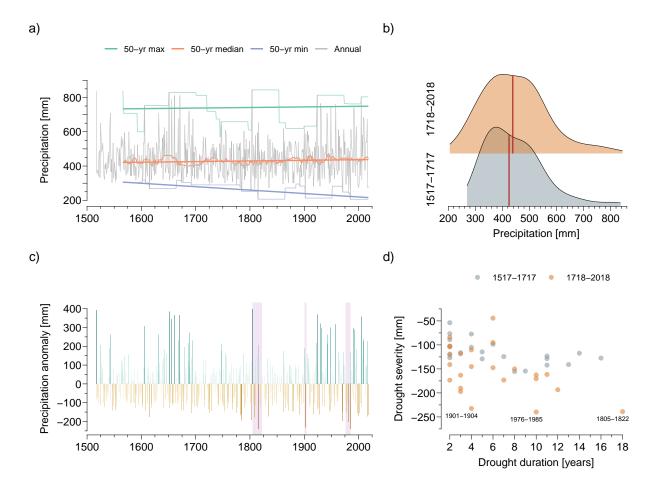
Mann-Kendall trend test with trend-free prewhitening

```
recFinal[!is.na(rolMax), tfpwmk(rolMax)] |> round(6)
           Z-Value
                       Sen's Slope Old Sen's Slope
                                                             P-value
##
                                                            0.564277
                           0.000000
                                           0.000000
                                                                         1844.000000
##
          0.576500
            Var(S)
                                Tau
                          0.018092
## 10220016.000000
recFinal[!is.na(rolMin), tfpwmk(rolMin)] |> round(6)
                                                             P-value
##
           Z-Value
                       Sen's Slope Old Sen's Slope
                          -0.168350
##
        -30.312840
                                          -0.168237
                                                            0.000000
                                                                       -97260.000000
            Var(S)
                                Tau
## 10294526.000000
                          -0.954222
recFinal[!is.na(rolMed), tfpwmk(rolMed)] |> round(6)
##
           Z-Value
                       Sen's Slope Old Sen's Slope
                                                             P-value
##
         15.055906
                          0.040892
                                           0.041507
                                                            0.000000
                                                                        48308.000000
            Var(S)
                                Tau
## 10294526.000000
                          0.473952
```

#### Figure 4

```
formula = 'y ~ x', method = 'lm', na.rm = TRUE, fill = NA) +
  geom_smooth(aes(year, rolMed, colour = '50-yr median'), size= 0.6,
              formula = 'y ~ x', method = 'lm', na.rm = TRUE, fill = NA) +
  scale x continuous(
    expand = c(0, 0),
    minor_breaks = seq(1500, 2025, 25),
    limits = c(1500, 2025),
    guide = guide prism offset minor()) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    minor_breaks = seq(200, 900, 50),
    breaks = seq(200, 900, 100),
   limits = c(200, 900),
    labels = skip_label(2),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  labs(x = NULL, y = 'Precipitation [mm]', colour = NULL, tag = 'a)') +
  scale_color_manual(values = c(RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(3, 'Set2'), 'gray')) +
  theme(
    legend.key.width = unit(0.5, 'cm'),
    legend.position = 'top')
p2 <- ggplot(densCals) +
  geom_ribbon(aes(x, ymin = period, ymax = y + period, group = factor(period),
                  fill = factor(period)),
              alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_line(aes(x, y + period, group = factor(period))) +
  geom_linerange(aes(x, ymin = period, ymax = period + y), medians, colour = 'firebrick') +
  scale fill manual(
    labels = c('1517-1717', '1718-2018'),
    values = wesanderson::wes_palette('Royal1', 4)[c(1, 4)]) +
  scale_x_continuous(
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor(),
    breaks = seq(200, 900, 100),
    minor_breaks = seq(200, 900, 20)) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    expand = c(0, 0),
    breaks = c(1.5, 2.5),
    labels = c('1517-1717', '
                                         1718-2018')) +
  labs(x = 'Precipitation [mm]', y = NULL, tag = 'b)') +
  theme(
    legend.position = 'none',
    axis.line.y = element_blank(),
    axis.text.y.left = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 0.5),
    axis.ticks.y = element_blank())
p3 <- ggplot(recFinal) +
  geom_rect(
    aes(xmin = yearStart, xmax = yearFinal, ymin = -Inf, ymax = Inf),
    worstDroughts,
    fill = 'magenta4', alpha = 0.1) +
  geom_col(aes(year, dP, fill = dP), recFinal[dP > 0]) +
  scale_fill_distiller(
    palette = 'BrBG',
    limits = abs_range(recFinal$dP),
```

```
# limits = abs_range(recFinal$dP),
    guide = guide_none(),
    direction = 1) +
  ggnewscale::new_scale_fill() +
  geom_col(aes(year, dP, fill = dP), recFinal[dP < 0]) +</pre>
  scale_fill_distiller(
   palette = 'BrBG',
    # limits = abs range(recFinal$dP),
    limits = c(min(recFinal$dP), -min(recFinal$dP)),
    guide = guide_none(),
    direction = 1) +
  scale_color_manual(values = 'black') +
  scale_x_continuous(
    expand = c(0, 0),
    minor_breaks = seq(1500, 2025, 25),
    limits = c(1500, 2025),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    breaks = seq(-300, 400, 100),
    minor_breaks = seq(-300, 400, 50),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  labs(x = NULL, y = 'Precipitation anomaly [mm]', tag = 'c)') +
  theme(
    legend.position = 'top')
p4 <- ggplot(droughts) +
  geom_point(aes(dur, peak, color = as.character(period)), alpha = 0.6) +
  geom_text(
    aes(dur, peak, label = paste(yearStart, yearFinal, sep = '-')),
    worstDroughts,
    size = 2, hjust = 0.8, nudge_y = -15) +
  scale_x_continuous(
    breaks = seq(2, 20, 2),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  scale_y_continuous(
    breaks = seq(-300, 0, 50),
    limits = c(-275, -25),
    guide = guide_prism_offset_minor()) +
  scale_color_manual(
   labels = c('1517-1717', '1718-2018'),
    values = wesanderson::wes_palette('Royal1', 4)[c(1, 4)]) +
  labs(x = 'Drought duration [years]', y = 'Drought severity [mm]', tag = 'd)') +
  theme(legend.position = 'top')
p1 + p2 + p3 + p4 +
 plot_layout(widths = c(1.5, 1))
```



## Export the reconstruction

```
recFinal[, period := NULL]
fwrite(
  recFinal[, .(year, P = Q, Plower = Q1, Pupper = Qu, Pbc = Qbc)],
  'results/chitral-sep-aug-precip-reconst.csv')
```