

Extreme Precipitation Statistics Adjusted for a Changing Climate

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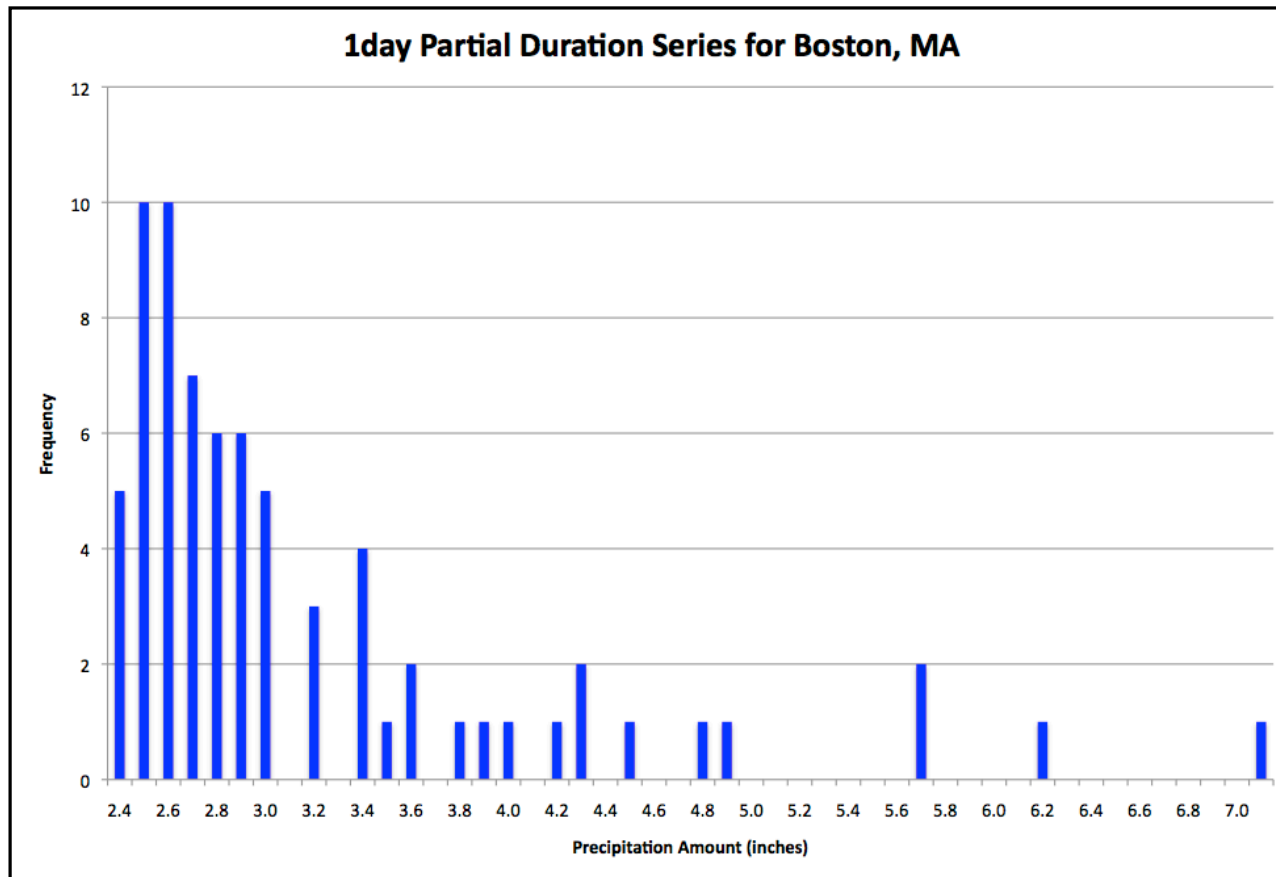
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Gather Observed Rainfall

Extreme Rainfall 101



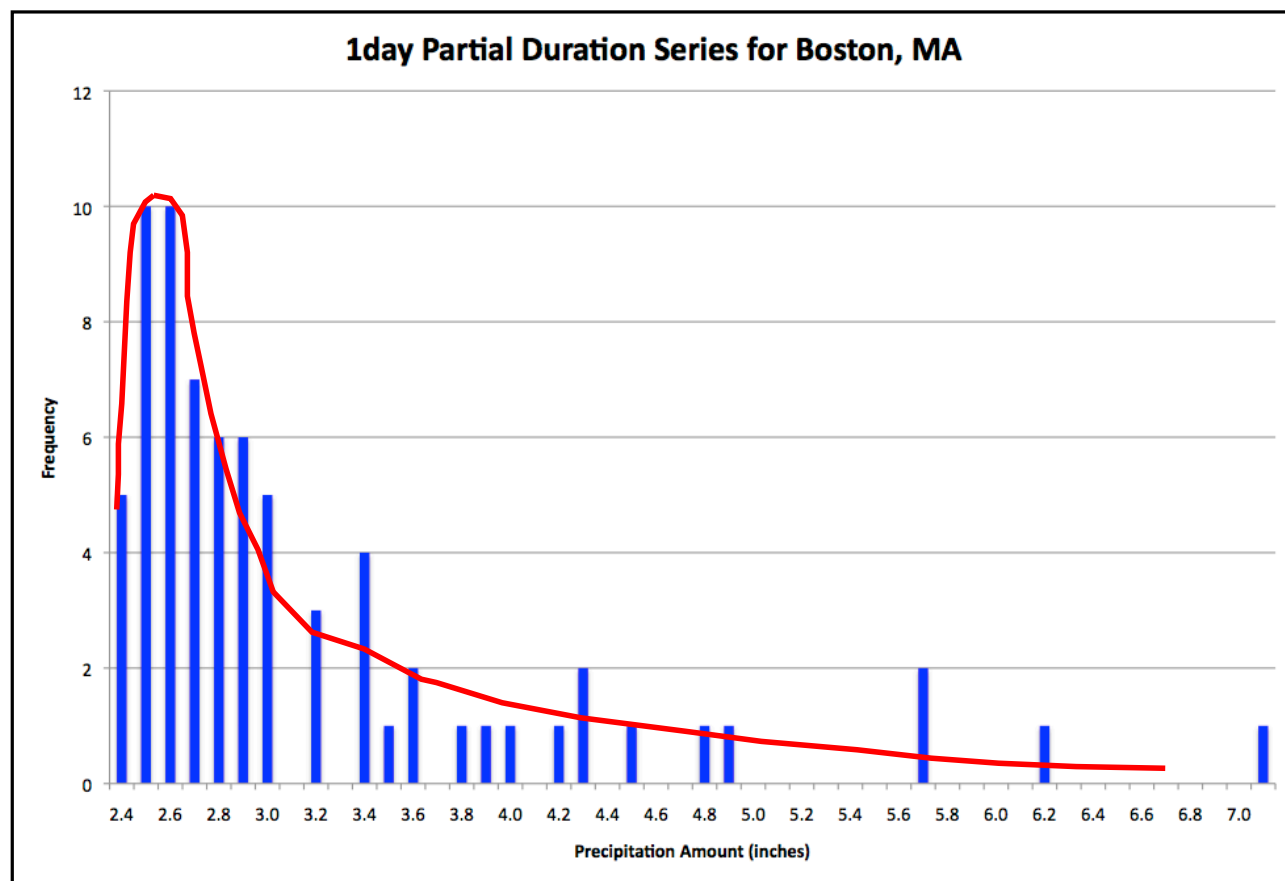
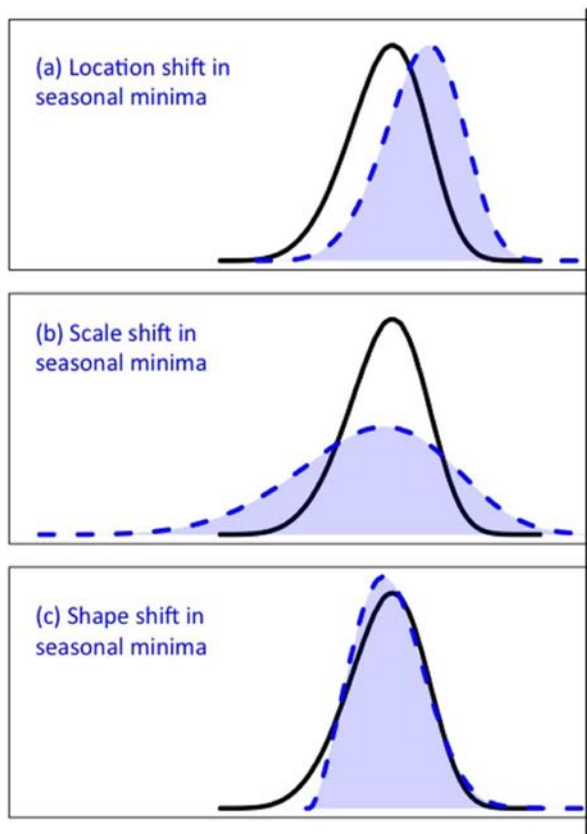
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Choose and Fit a Distribution

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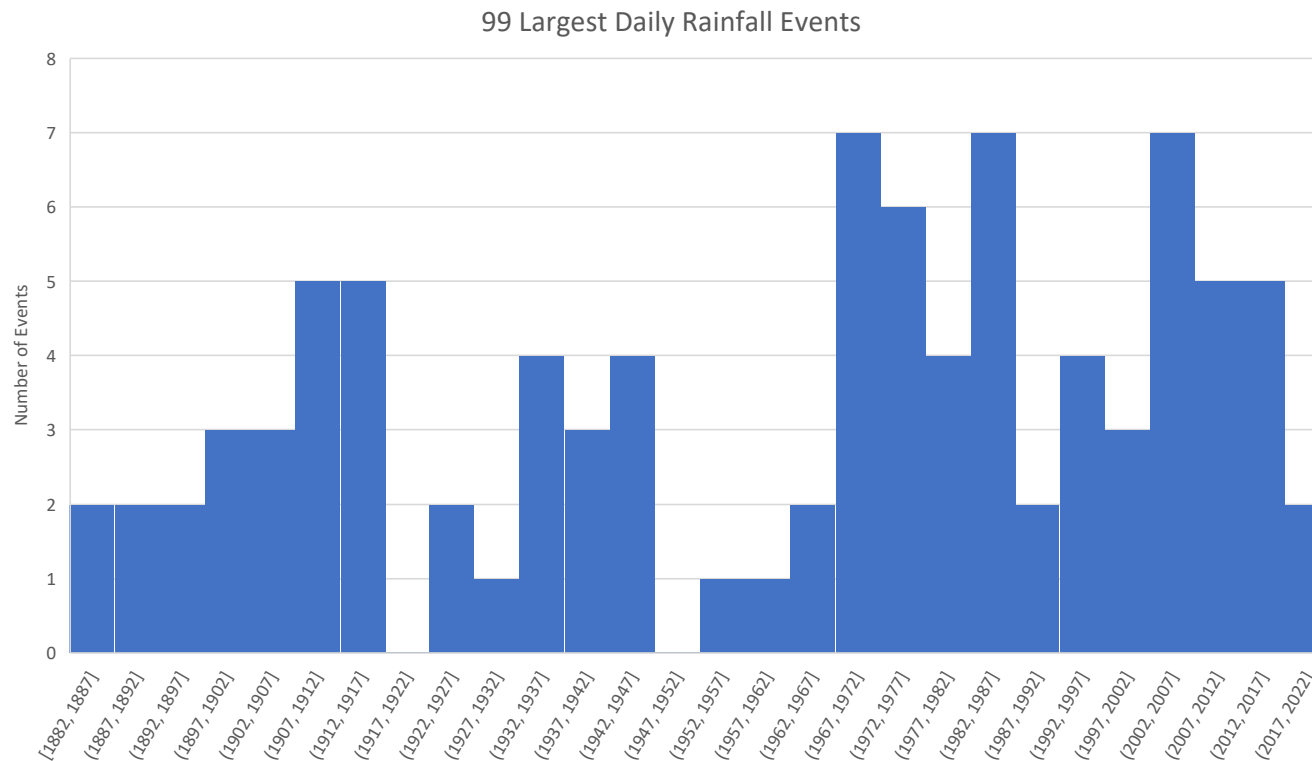
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Choose a Period of Record

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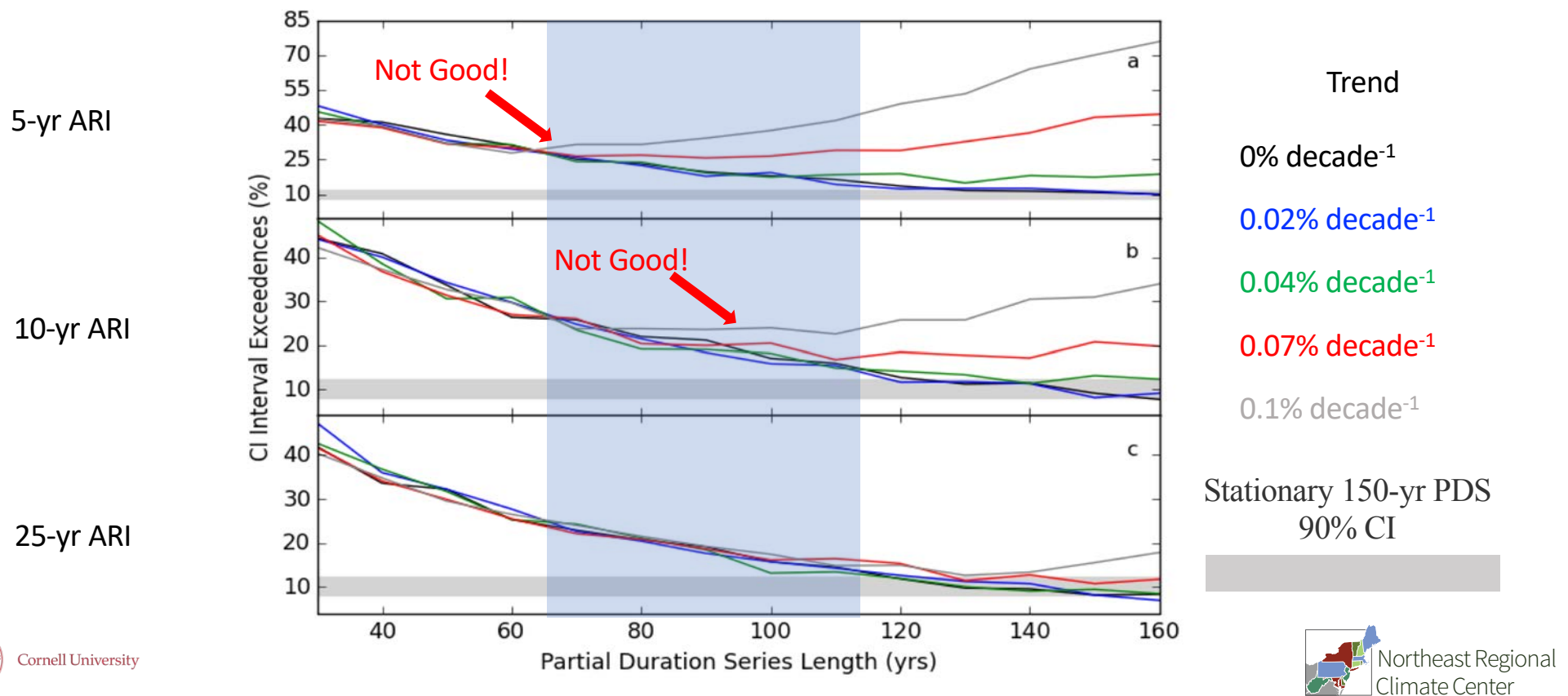
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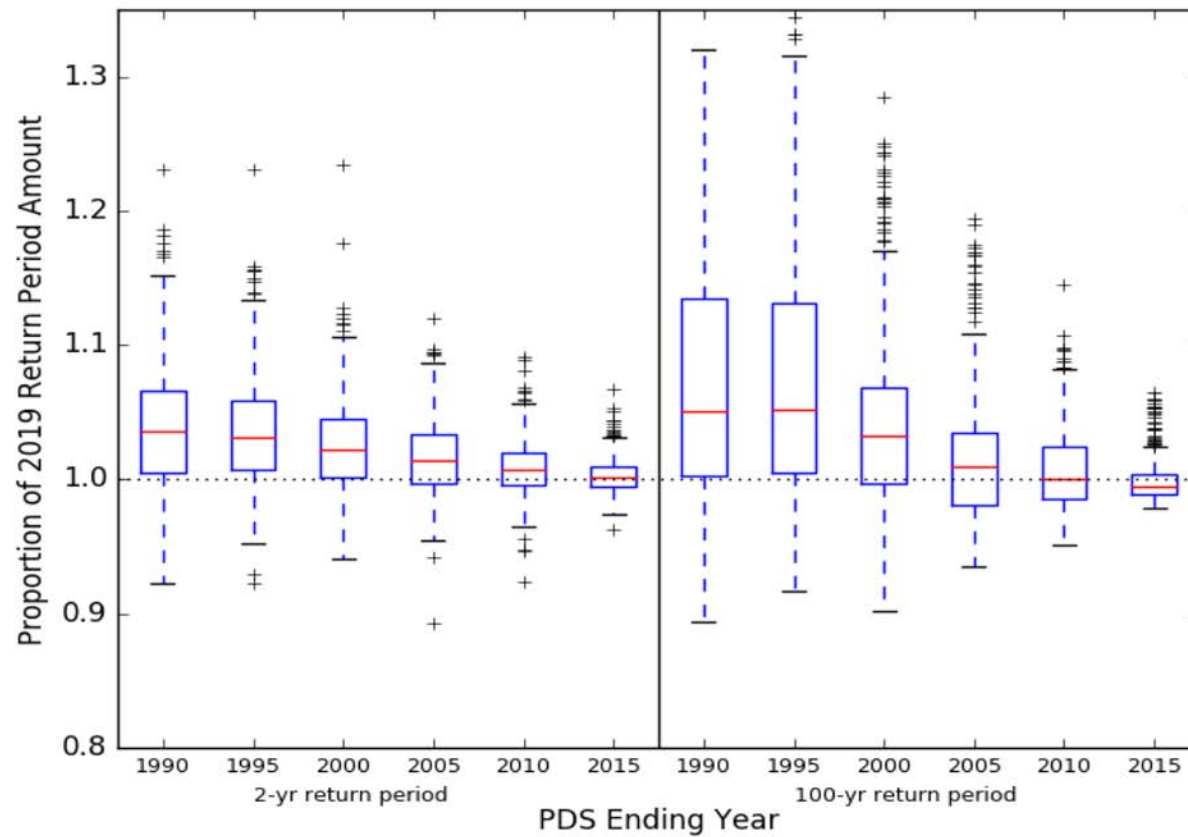
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Recent Extreme Rainfall Changes

For PDS starting in 1950

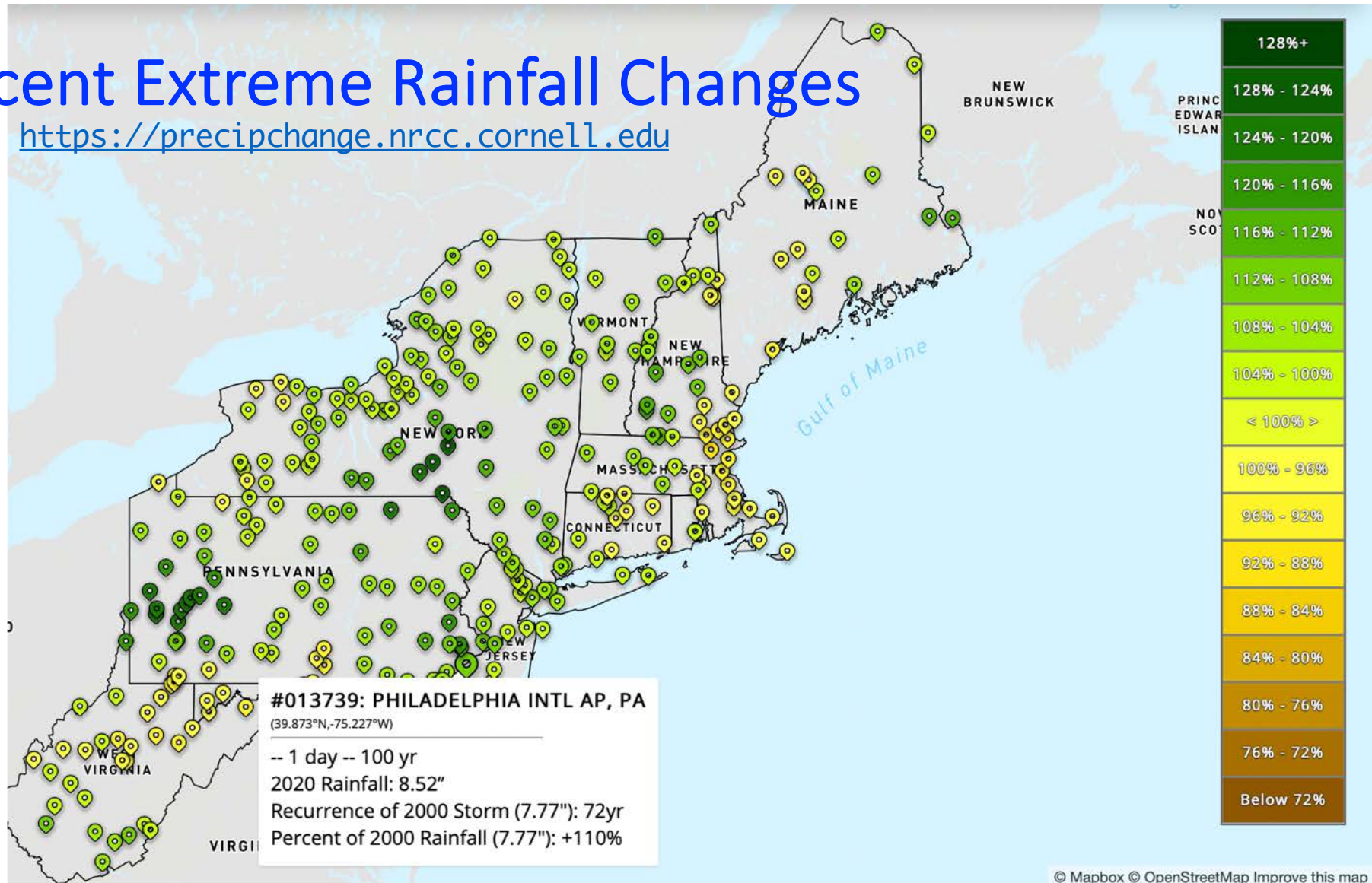


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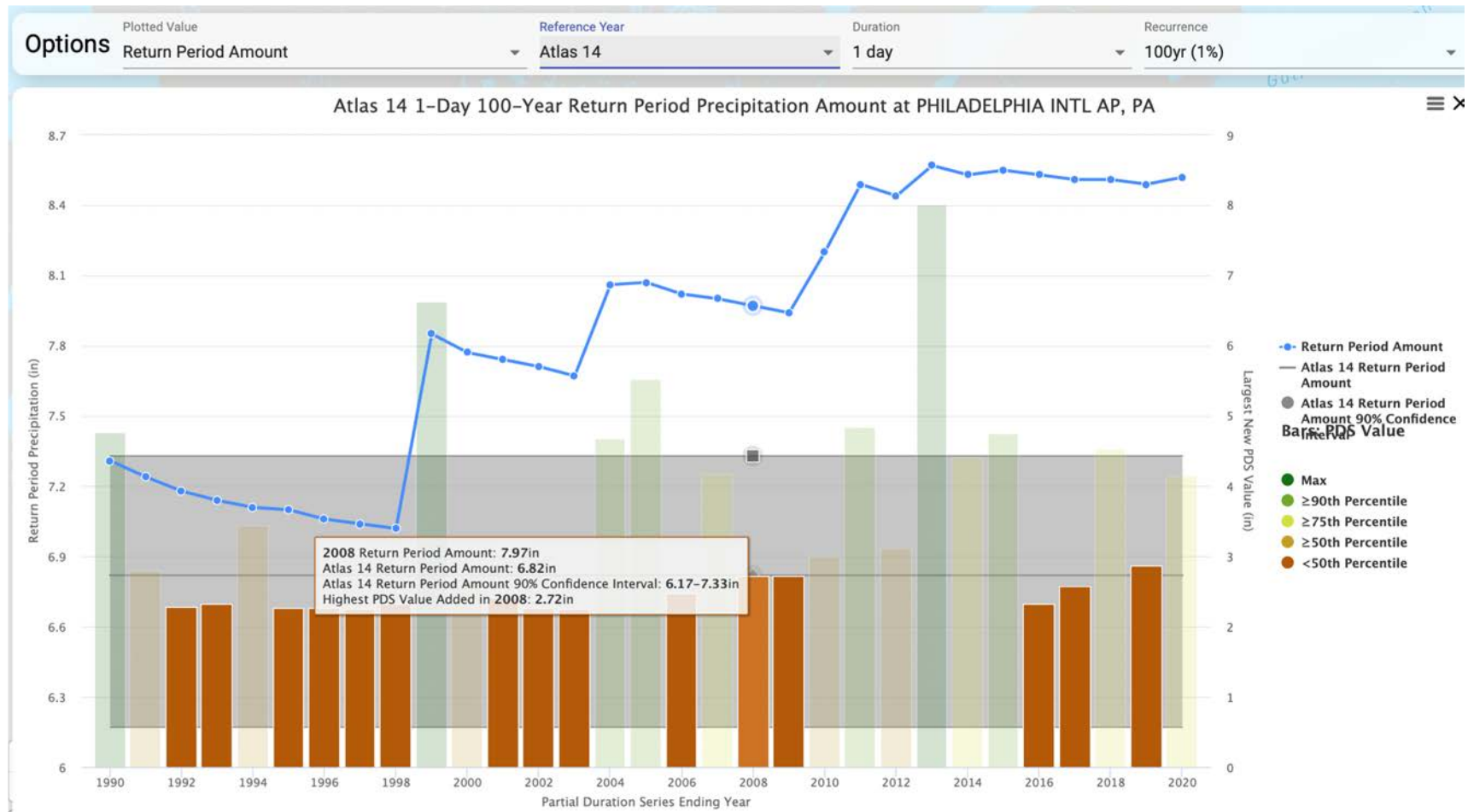
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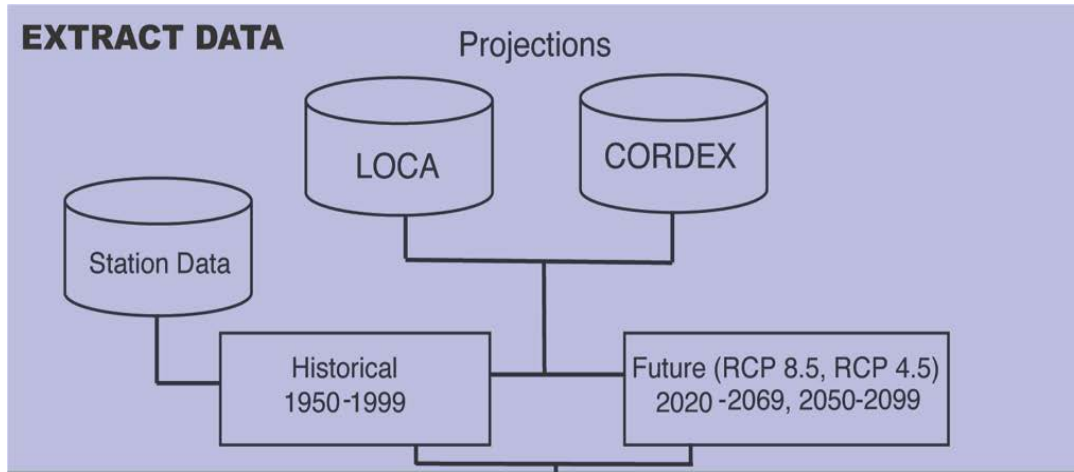
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Future Extreme Rainfall:

Data



Dataset	RCPs	Approximate gridded spatial resolution*	Temporal resolution	Downscaling approach
BCCAv2	4.5,8.5	12 km (7.5 miles)	Daily	Statistical
MACA	4.5, 8.5	4 km (2.5 miles)	Daily	Statistical
LOCA	4.5, 8.5	6 km (3.7 miles)	Daily	Statistical
NA CORDEX	8.5	25 km (15.5 miles)	Daily and Sub-daily	Dynamical
NA CORDEX	4.5	25 km (15.5 miles)	Daily	Dynamical
NA CORDEX	4.5	50 km (31 miles)	Daily	Dynamical

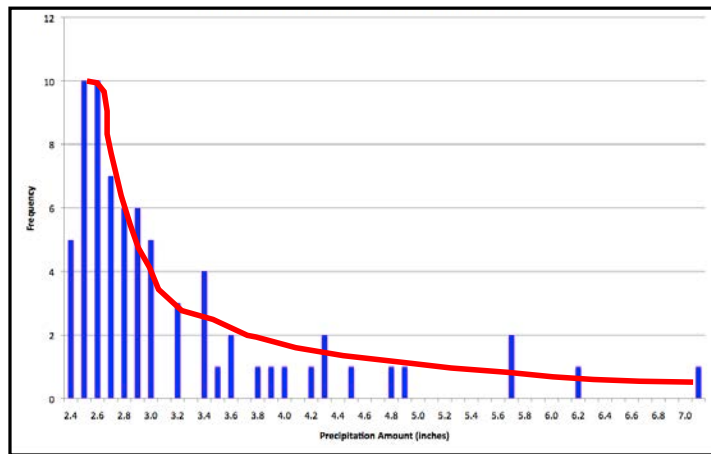


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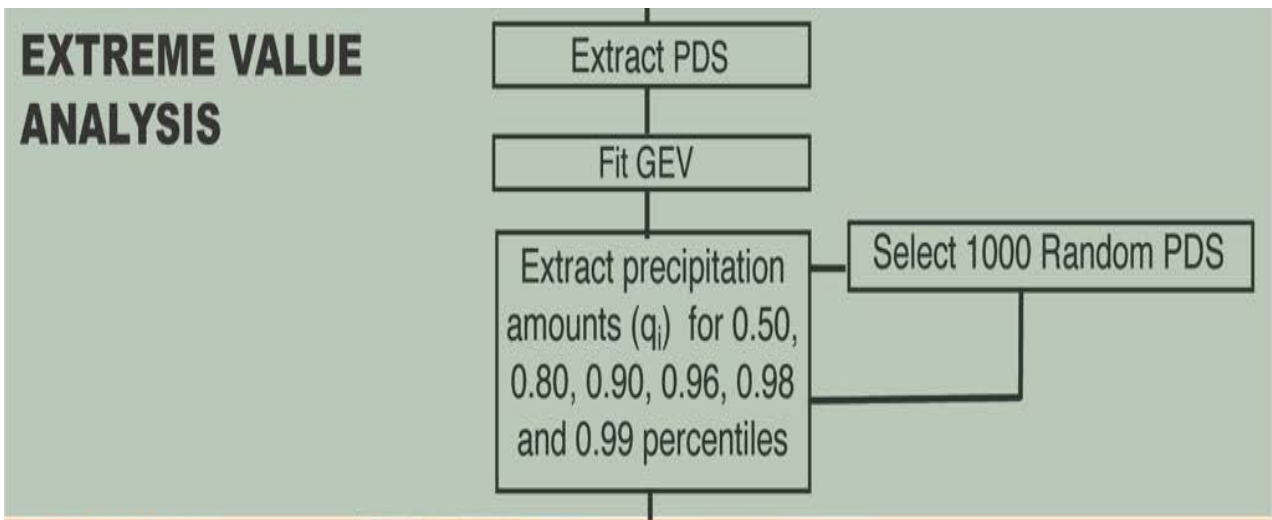


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Future Extreme Rainfall: Extreme Value Analysis



EXTREME VALUE ANALYSIS



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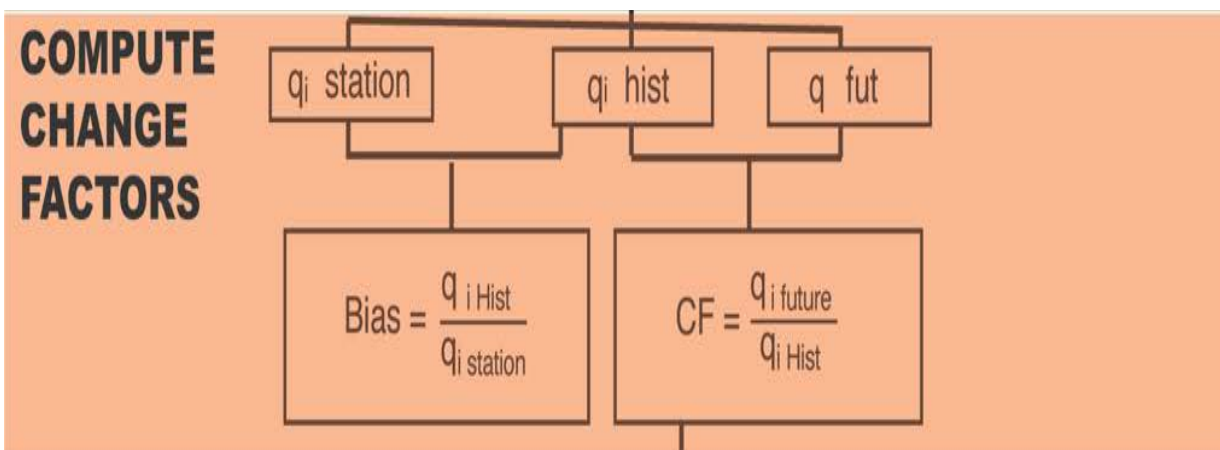


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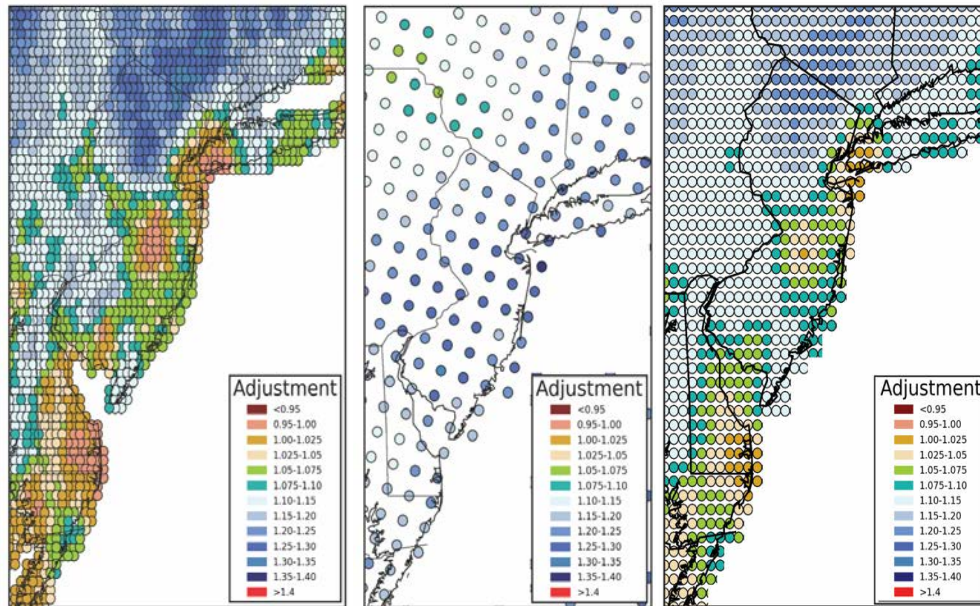
Compute Change Factor

$$CF_i = \frac{P_{i,r,future}}{P_{r,historical}}$$



Future Extreme Rainfall:

Interpolate and Smooth



LOCA

CORDEX

COMMON 0.1°

Low (RCP4.5) Emissions 2050-2099 100-yr Storm

SPATIAL INTERPOLATION

Interpolate to
common 0.1° grid

Apply 3-pt uniform
smoother

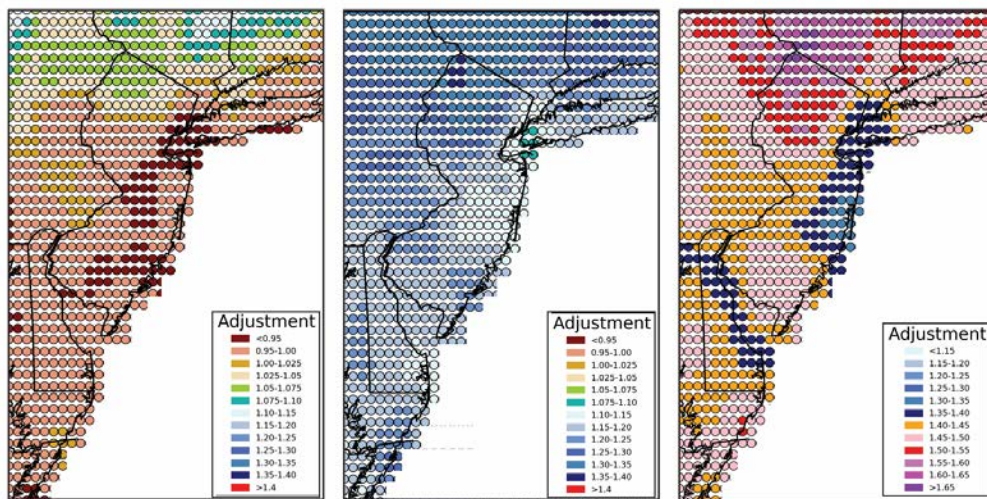


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Future Extreme Rainfall: Extract Ensemble Statistics



High Emissions 2050-2099 100-yr Storm

EXTRACT MODEL ENSEMBLE STATISTICS

1000 x number of
models CF per grid

Retain 10th, 17th,
25th, 50th, 75th, 83rd
and 90th percentile

Extract values for
grid closest to
county centroid



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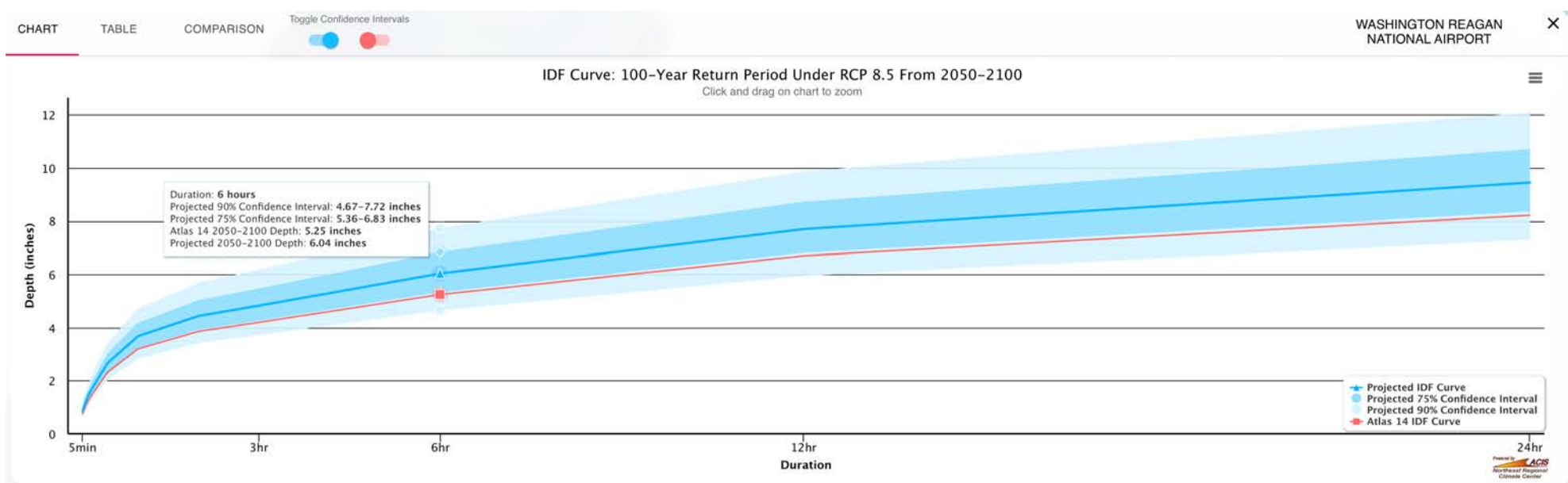


Using the Tool



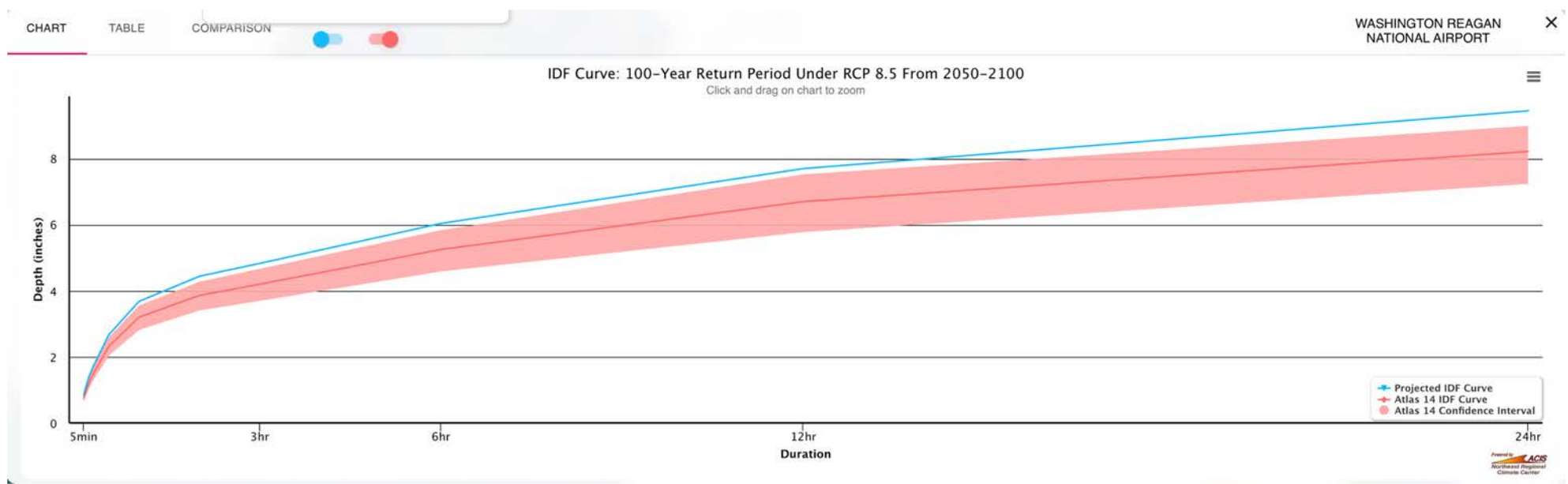
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Future Extreme Rainfall

County Values

CHART	TABLE	COMPARISON	DOWNLOAD CSV				PURCELLVILLE	×
Percentile	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th			
County Change Factors:	0.98	1.05	1.14	1.26	1.481	Atlas 14 Depth (inches)		
Duration	Projected 2050-2100 Depth (inches)							
5 min	0.76	0.82	0.89	0.98	1.16	0.78		
10 min	1.19	1.27	1.38	1.52	1.79	1.21		
15 min	1.49	1.60	1.73	1.92	2.25	1.52		
30 min	2.22	2.38	2.59	2.86	3.36	2.27		
60 min	3.03	3.24	3.52	3.89	4.58	3.09		
2 hr	3.80	4.07	4.42	4.89	5.75	3.88		
3 hr	4.10	4.39	4.77	5.27	6.19	4.18		

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CHART	TABLE	COMPARISON	PURCELLVILLE		×
Duration	Atlas 14 Depth (inches)		Projected 2050-2100 Depth (inches)		Change (inches)
5 min	0.78		0.89		+0.11
10 min	1.21		1.38		+0.17
15 min	1.52		1.73		+0.21
30 min	2.27		2.59		+0.32
60 min	3.09		3.52		+0.43
2 hr	3.88		4.42		+0.54
3 hr	4.18		4.77		+0.59
6 hr	5.16		5.88		+0.72



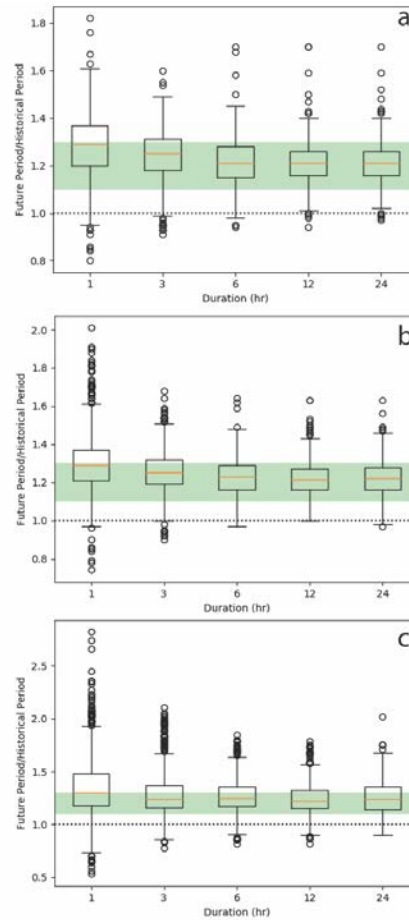
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