

Variability and Trend Detection in the Sediment Load of the Upper Indus River

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1. Supplementary Material

Table S1. Statistical parameters of annual linear and quadratic trends of reconstructed SSLs and observed discharges for the Besham Qila and the Partab Bridge sites. Note: Q_s is annual SSL in Mt, Q is annual flow volume in BCM for Besham Qila ($1969 \leq y \leq 2008$) and Partab Bridge ($1962 \leq y \leq 2008$).

Trend	Besham Qila		Partab Bridge	
	Equation	R^2	Equation	R^2
SSL linear	$Q_s = -0.315097y + 786$	0.0087	$Q_s = 0.555835y - 932$	0.0148
SSL quadratic	$Q_s = -0.029615y^2 + 117.465y - 116,312$	0.0169	$Q_s = 0.131748y^2 - 522.485y + 518,161$	0.1368
Flow linear	$Q = 0.075016y - 72$	0.0082	$Q = 0.155112y - 251$	0.0863
Flow quadratic	$Q = -0.006747y^2 + 26.908y - 26,750$	0.0153	$Q = 0.002850y^2 - 11.158y + 10,976$	0.0906

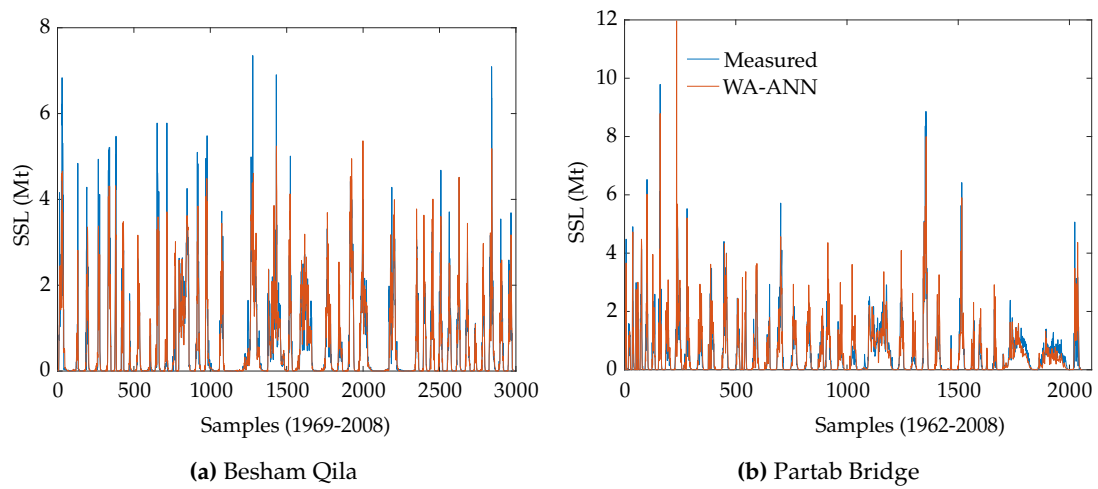
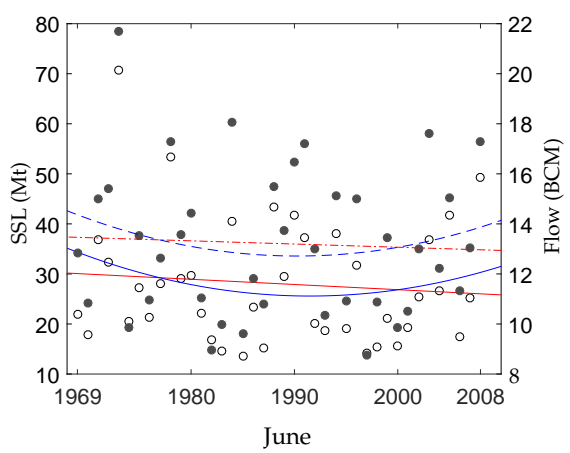
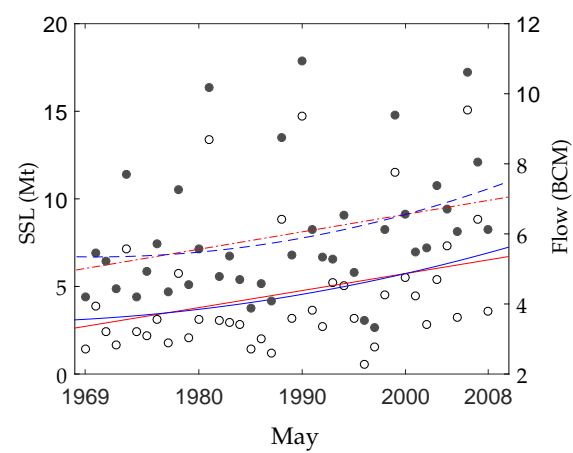
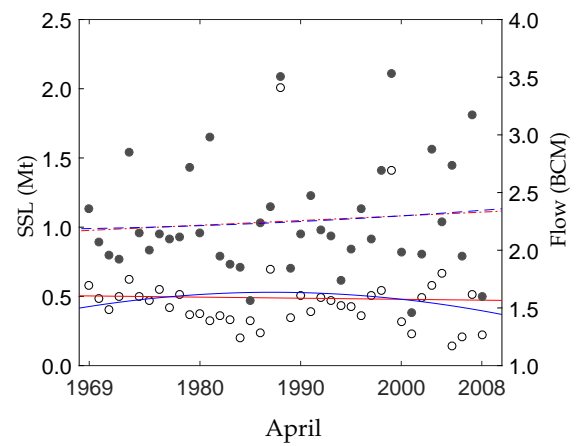
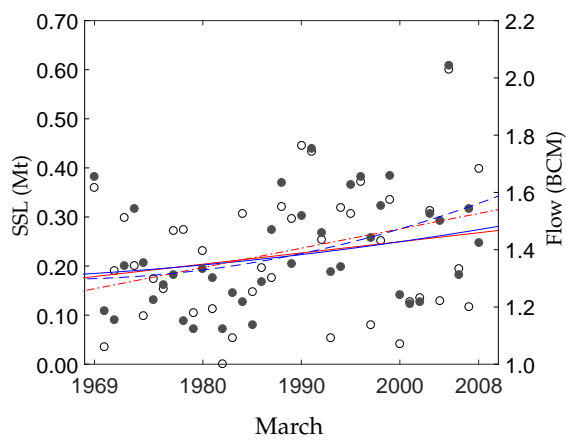
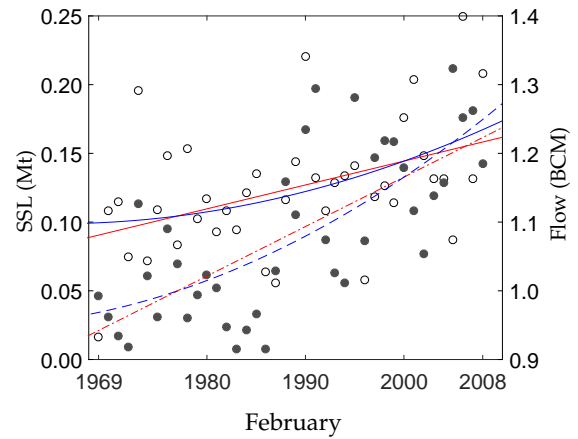
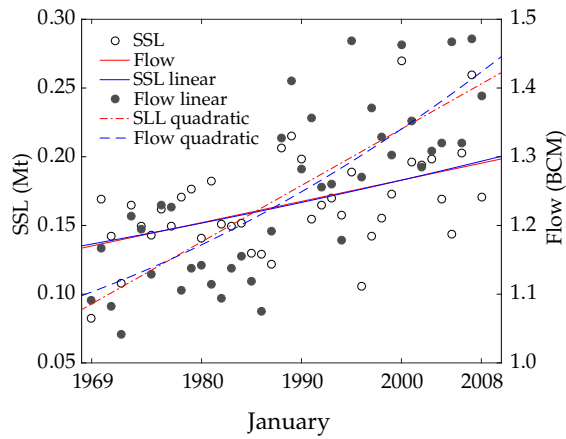


Figure S1. Comparison between the mass of suspended sediment sampled daily and computed results using WA-ANN models., (legends for (S1b) also apply for (S1a)).



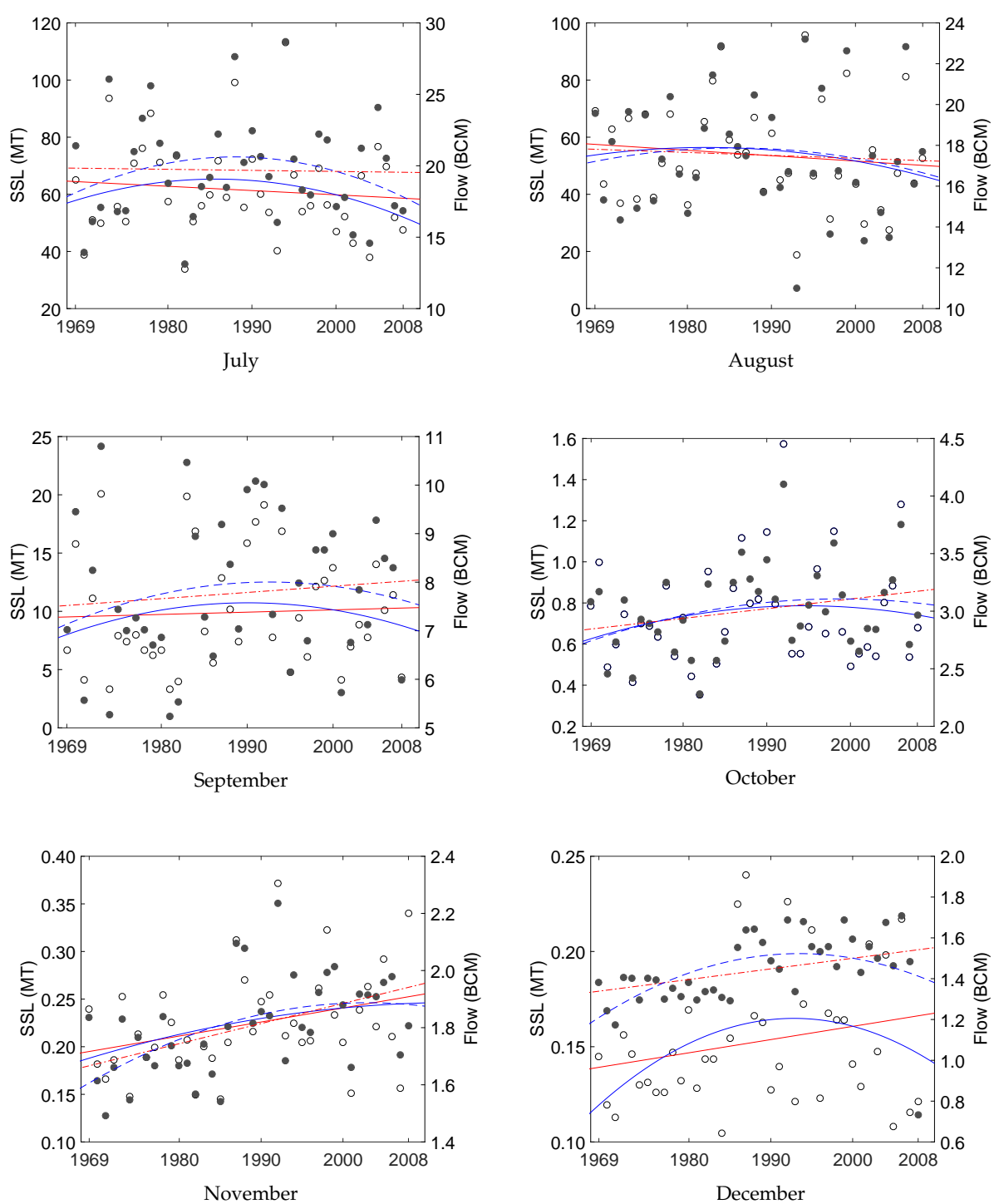
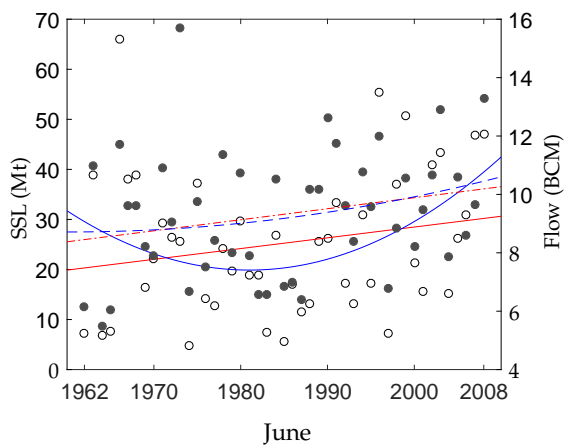
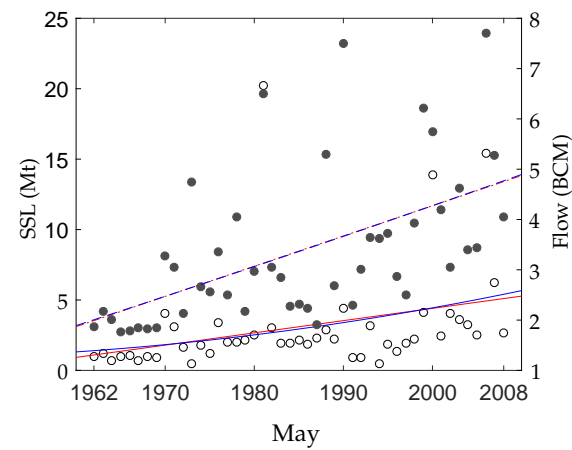
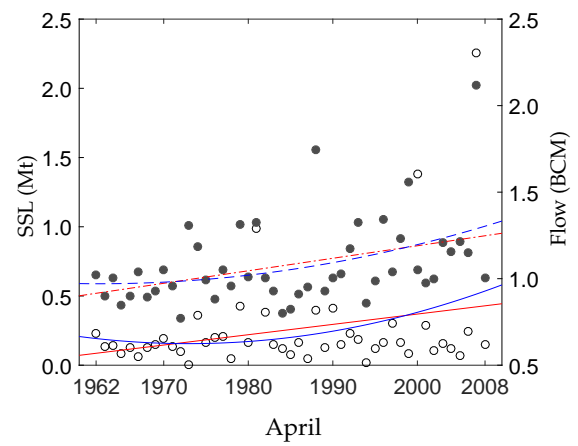
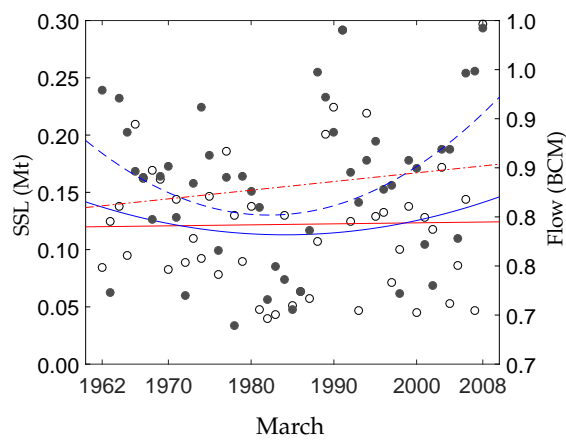
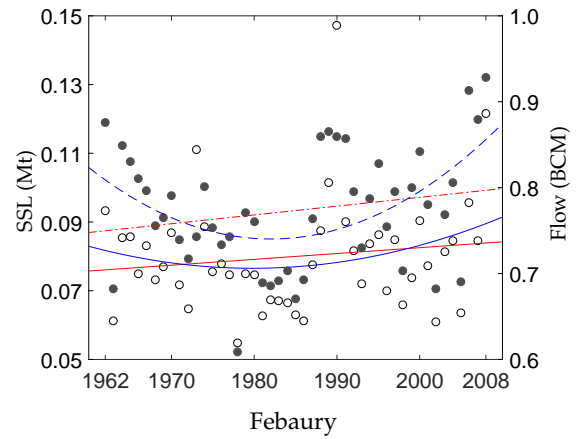
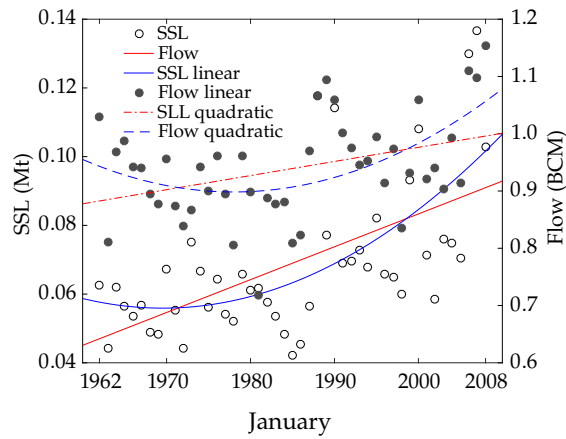


Figure S2. Mean monthly linear and quadratic trends in SSLs and discharges at Besham Qila site from 1969-2008.



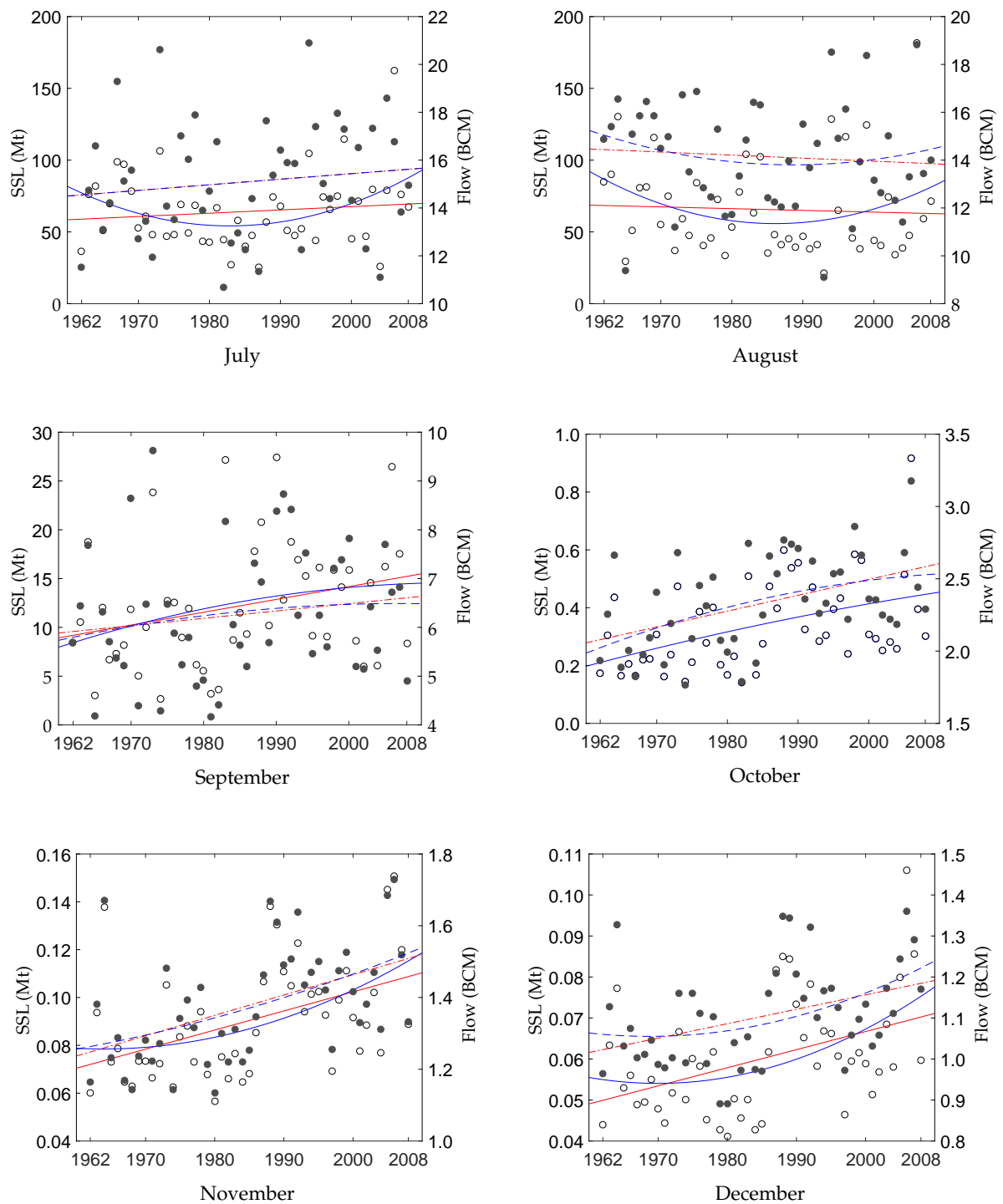


Figure S3. Mean monthly linear and quadratic trends in SSLs and discharges at Partab Bridge site from 1962-2008.