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Details

RFlux package ingests eddy covariance rawdata sampled by either open- or closed-path system and implement the processing pipeline adopted by the ICOS-ETC (Integrated Carbon Observation System European Research Infrastructure - Ecosystem Thematic Center, <http://www.icos-etc.eu/icos/>). All metadata information have to be reported in the *filename_ecmd.csv* table. Such information are then processed by the `get_md` function.

The processing of rawdata aims at

- i estimating fluxes and other micrometeorological parameters.
- ii performing data quality control.

Flux estimation involves the following options/methods:

- Planar fit for tilt correction (Wilczak et al, 2001).
- Maximum cross-covariance method for time lag determination (see Rebmann et al, 2012).
- Block average (see Moncrieff et al, 2004).
- WPL correction, only for open path systems (Webb et al, 1980).
- In-situ spectral corrections (Fratini et al, 2012).

The open source EddyPro software (registered trademark, LI-COR Biosciences, 2019) is used to this aim employing also the estimation of micrometeorological parameters useful in subsequent analyses. It is required the EddyPro software is installed on your system (for download see www.licor.com/EddyPro).

Quality control involves the data cleaning procedure described in Vitale et al (2019). Its implementation involves a three-step procedure

Step 1: Estimation of the test statistics via the `qcStat` function.

Step 2: Generating the workset via the `ecworkset` function.

Step 3: Application of data cleaning procedure (including despiking) via the `cleanFlux` function.

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cleanFlux

Cleaning eddy covariane flux measurements

Description

This is the main function of the RFlux library. It performs the data cleaning procedure described by Vitale et al (2019).

Usage

```
cleanFlux(path_workset, path_ecmd, path_output=NULL, FileName=NULL,
          plotQC=FALSE, storage=FALSE)
```

Arguments

path_workset	path where the workset file generated from function ecworkset is stored.
path_ecmd	path where the eddy covariance metadata file (<i>CC-xxx_ecmd.csv</i>) is stored.
path_output	path where the output file will be stored. Default is NULL.

FileName	file name for the output file. Default is NULL.
plotQC	Logical. Should the details of data cleaning procedure be saved. If TRUE two .jpeg files (Details and Synthesis) for each flux variables will be stored in the path specified by path_output. Default is FALSE.
storage	Logical. Should the Net Ecosystem Exchange flux take into account the CO2 storage term. Default is FALSE.

Details

Comparing statistics estimated by `qcStat` with two threshold values, each test returns one of 3 possible statements:

SevEr: if the test provides strong evidence about the presence of a specific source of systematic error.

ModEr: if the test provides only weak evidence about the presence of a specific source of systematic error.

NoEr: if the test does not provide evidence about the presence of a specific source of systematic error.

The data cleaning is based on a two-step procedure. In the first stage, fluxes that inherited at least one SevEr statement are rejected, while fluxes that inherited no SevEr statements and any number of ModEr statements are retained. In the second stage, flux data that inherited no SevEr statement are subject to an outlier detection procedure and only flux data that are both detected as outlier and inherited at least a ModEr statement are conclusively rejected. This implies that data points that inherited any number of ModEr statements but were not detected to be outliers, as well as outliers which showed no evidence of systematic errors, are retained in the dataset and can be used for any analysis or modeling purposes.

Value

Returns a dataframe containing:

TIMESTAMP_START	ISO timestamp start of averaging period (format: <code>yyyymmddHHMM</code>).
TIMESTAMP_END	ISO timestamp end of averaging period (format: <code>yyyymmddHHMM</code>).
H_UNCLEANED	Sensible heat turbulent flux (no storage correction, uncleaned).
H	Sensible heat turbulent flux (no storage correction, cleaned).
H_DATA_FLAG	Flag for H (0: observed flux for which any quality control (QC) tests provided negligible evidences of error; 1: outlying flux rejected because at least one of the QC tests provided a moderate evidence of error; 2: flux removed because at least one of the QC test provided a severe evidence of error).
LE_UNCLEANED	Latent heat turbulent flux (no storage correction, uncleaned).
LE	Latent heat turbulent flux (no storage correction, cleaned).
LE_DATA_FLAG	Flag for LE (0: observed flux for which any quality control (QC) tests provided negligible evidences of error; 1: outlying flux rejected because at least one of the QC tests provided a moderate evidence of error; 2: flux removed because at least one of the QC test provided a severe evidence of error).
FC	Carbon Dioxide (CO2) turbulent flux (no storage correction).
SC	Carbon Dioxide (CO2) storage flux.
NEE_UNCLEANED	Net Ecosystem Exchange (uncleaned).

NEE	Net Ecosystem Exchange (cleaned).
NEE_DATA_FLAG	Flag for NEE (i.e., 0: observed flux for which any quality control (QC) tests provided negligible evidences of error; 1: outlying flux rejected because at least one of the QC tests provided a moderate evidence of error; 2: flux removed because at least one of the QC test provided a severe evidence of error).
H_OUTLYING_FLAG	Flag for H denoting outliers (0: no outlying flux; 1: outlying flux).
LE_OUTLYING_FLAG	Flag for LE denoting outliers (0: no outlying flux; 1: outlying flux).
NEE_OUTLYING_FLAG	Flag for NEE denoting outliers (0: no outlying flux; 1: outlying flux).
H_OOR_FLAG	Flag for H denoting values out of the physically plausible range (0: within range; 2: out of range).
LE_OOR_FLAG	Flag for LE denoting values out of the physically plausible range (0: within range; 2: out of range).
NEE_OOR_FLAG	Flag for NEE denoting values out of the physically plausible range (0: within range; 2: out of range).
H_FMR_STAT	Fraction of Missing Records in raw, high-frequency, data used for H flux estimation.
H_FMR_FLAG	Flag for the FMR test for H (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $FMR < 5$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $5 \leq FMR \leq 15$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $FMR > 15$).
H_LGD_STAT	Longest Gap Duration in raw, high-frequency, data used for H flux estimation.
H_LGD_FLAG	Flag for the LGD test for H (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LGD < 90$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $90 \leq LGD \leq 180$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LGD > 180$).
LE_FMR_STAT	Fraction of Missing Records in raw, high-frequency, data used for LE flux estimation.
LE_FMR_FLAG	Flag for the FMR test for LE (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $FMR < 5$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $5 \leq FMR \leq 15$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $FMR > 15$).
LE_LGD_STAT	Longest Gap Duration in raw, high-frequency, data used for LE flux estimation.
LE_LGD_FLAG	Flag for the LGD test for LE (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LGD < 90$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $90 \leq LGD \leq 180$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LGD > 180$).
FC_FMR_STAT	Fraction of Missing Records in raw, high-frequency, data used for FC flux estimation.
FC_FMR_FLAG	Flag for the FMR test for FC (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $FMR < 5$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $5 \leq FMR \leq 15$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $FMR > 15$).
FC_LGD_STAT	Longest Gap Duration in raw, high-frequency, data used for FC flux estimation.
FC_LGD_FLAG	Flag for the LGD test for FC (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LGD < 90$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $90 \leq LGD \leq 180$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LGD > 180$).
SA_DIAG_FLAG	Flag for Sonic Anemometer (SA) instrumental diagnostics (0: negligible evidences of error; 2: severe evidences of error).

GA_DIAG_FLAG	Flag for gas analyzer (GA) instrumental diagnostics (0: negligible evidences of error; 2: severe evidences of error).
WD	Wind direction.
WSECT_FLAG	Footprint quality flag indicating periods when wind was blowing from directions known to significantly affect the turbulent flow (0: negligible evidences of error; 2: severe evidences of error).
H_LSR_STAT	Statistic of the Low Signal Resolution test for H.
H_LSR_FLAG	Flag for the LSR test for H (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT > 0.995$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.99 \leq LSR_STAT \leq 0.995$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT < 0.99$).
LE_LSR_STAT	Statistic of the Low Signal Resolution test for LE.
LE_LSR_FLAG	Flag for the LSR test for LE (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT > 0.995$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.99 \leq LSR_STAT \leq 0.995$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT < 0.99$).
FC_LSR_STAT	Statistic of the Low Signal Resolution test for FC.
FC_LSR_FLAG	Flag for the LSR test for FC (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT > 0.995$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.99 \leq LSR_STAT \leq 0.995$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $LSR_STAT < 0.99$).
W_HF5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on vertical wind velocity fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
W_HF5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on vertical wind velocity fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $HF5_STAT < 2$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq HF5_STAT \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $HF5_STAT > 4$).
W_HF10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on vertical wind velocity fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
W_HF10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on vertical wind velocity fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $HF10_STAT < 0.5$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq HF10_STAT \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $HF10_STAT > 1$).
W_HD5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced vertical wind velocity (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
W_HD5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced vertical wind velocity (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $HD5_STAT < 2$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq HD5_STAT \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $HD5_STAT > 4$).
W_HD10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced vertical wind velocity (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
W_HD10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced vertical wind velocity (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $HD10_STAT < 0.5$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq HD10_STAT \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $HD10_STAT > 1$).
T_SONIC_HF5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on sonic temperature fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
T_SONIC_HF5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on sonic temperature fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $HF5_STAT < 2$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq HF5_STAT \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $HF5_STAT > 4$).
T_SONIC_HF10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on sonic temperature fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).

T_SONIC_HF10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on sonic temperature fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HF10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT>1).
T_SONIC_HD5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced sonic temperature (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
T_SONIC_HD5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced sonic temperature (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{HD5_STAT} \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT>4).
T_SONIC_HD10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced sonic temperature (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
T_SONIC_HD10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced sonic temperature (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HD10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT>1).
H2O_HF5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on water vapor fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
H2O_HF5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on water vapor fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HF5_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{HF5_STAT} \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HF5_STAT>4).
H2O_HF10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on water vapor fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
H2O_HF10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on water vapor fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HF10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT>1).
H2O_HD5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced water vapor (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
H2O_HD5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced water vapor (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{HD5_STAT} \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT>4).
H2O_HD10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced water vapor (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
H2O_HD10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced water vapor (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HD10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT>1).
CO2_HF5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on carbon dioxide fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
CO2_HF5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on carbon dioxide fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HF5_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{HF5_STAT} \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HF5_STAT>4).
CO2_HF10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on carbon dioxide fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
CO2_HF10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on carbon dioxide fluctuations (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HF10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HF10_STAT>1).

CO2_HD5_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced carbon dioxide (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 5\sigma$).
CO2_HD5_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced carbon dioxide (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{HD5_STAT} \leq 4$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD5_STAT>4).
CO2_HD10_STAT	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced carbon dioxide (percentage of data exceeding $\mu + / - 10\sigma$).
CO2_HD10_FLAG	Flag for the homogeneity test applied on differenced carbon dioxide (0: negligible evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT<0.5; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $0.5 \leq \text{HD10_STAT} \leq 1$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF HD10_STAT>1).
W_KID_STAT	Kurtosis Index of Differenced vertical wind velocity.
W_KID_FLAG	Flag for the W_KID_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF KID_STAT<30; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $30 \leq \text{KID_STAT} \leq 50$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF KID_STAT>50).
T_SONIC_KID_STAT	Kurtosis Index of Differenced sonic temperature.
T_SONIC_KID_FLAG	Flag for the T_SONIC_KID_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF KID_STAT<30; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $30 \leq \text{KID_STAT} \leq 50$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF KID_STAT>50).
H2O_KID_STAT	Kurtosis Index of Differenced water vapor.
H2O_KID_FLAG	Flag for the H2O_KID_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF KID_STAT<30; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $30 \leq \text{KID_STAT} \leq 50$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF KID_STAT>50).
CO2_KID_STAT	Kurtosis Index of Differenced carbon dioxide.
CO2_KID_FLAG	Flag for the CO2_KID_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF KID_STAT<30; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $30 \leq \text{KID_STAT} \leq 50$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF KID_STAT>50).
ITC_STAT	Statistic of the Integral Turbulence Characteristics test (Foken and Wichura, 1996).
ITC_FLAG	Flag for the ITC test (0: negligible evidences of error, IF ITC_STAT<30; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $30 \leq \text{ITC_STAT} \leq 50$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF ITC_STAT>50).
H_SCF_STAT	Spectral correction factor for H.
LE_SCF_STAT	Spectral correction factor for LE.
FC_SCF_STAT	Spectral correction factor for FC.
H_M98_STAT	Statistic of the nonstationarity ratio test by Mahrt (1998) for H.
H_M98_FLAG	Flag of the H_M98_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF M_98_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{M98_STAT} \leq 3$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF M98_STAT>3).
LE_M98_STAT	Statistic of the nonstationarity ratio test by Mahrt (1998) for LE.
LE_M98_FLAG	Flag of the LE_M98_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF M_98_STAT<2; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq \text{M98_STAT} \leq 3$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF M98_STAT>3).
FC_M98_STAT	Statistic of the nonstationarity ratio test by Mahrt (1998) for FC.

FC_M98_FLAG	Flag of the FC_M98_STAT (0: negligible evidences of error, IF $M_{98_STAT} < 2$; 1: moderate evidences of error, IF $2 \leq M_{98_STAT} \leq 3$; 2: severe evidences of error, IF $M_{98_STAT} > 3$).
CO2	Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂) in mole fraction of wet air.
CO2_SIGMA	Standard deviation of carbon dioxide in mole fraction of wet air.
H2O	Water (H ₂ O) vapor mole fraction.
H2O_SIGMA	Standard deviation of water vapor mole fraction.
T_SONIC	Sonic temperature.
T_SONIC_SIGMA	Standard deviation of sonic temperature.
WS	Wind speed.
USTAR	Friction velocity.
W_SIGMA	Standard deviation of vertical velocity fluctuations.
U_SIGMA	Standard deviation of lateral velocity fluctuations (towards main-wind direction after coordinates rotation).
V_SIGMA	Standard deviation of lateral velocity fluctuations (cross main-wind direction after coordinates rotation).
ZL	Monin-Obukhov stability parameter.
MO_LENGTH	Monin-Obukhov length.
AT	Air temperature.
AP	Air pressure.
RHO	Air density.
CP	Air heat capacity.
CANOPY_HEIGHT	Canopy height.
SA_HEIGHT	Sonic anemometer height.
SA_NORTH_OFFSET	Sonic anemometer north offset.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c1	Center of the first invalid wind sector, if any.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w1	Width of the first invalid wind sector, if any.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c2	Center of the second invalid wind sector, if any.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w2	Width of the second invalid wind sector, if any.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c3	Center of the third invalid wind sector, if any.
INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w3	Width of the third invalid wind sector, if any.

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Examples

```
PATH_WORKSET <- system.file("extdata", "ecworkset_example.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_ECMD <- system.file("extdata", "DE-HoH_ecmd.csv", package = "RFlux")

cleanset <- cleanFlux(path_workset=PATH_WORKSET,
                      path_ecmd=PATH_ECMD,
                      path_output=NULL,
                      FileName=NULL,
                      plotQC=FALSE,
                      storage=TRUE)

str(cleanset)
```

closed_path_rawdata	<i>Raw, high-frequency, data for closed path systems</i>
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Description

An example of raw, high-frequency, eddy covariance data for a closed path systems.

Usage

```
data("closed_path_rawdata")
```

Format

A data frame with 36000 observations of

U Horizontal wind component along the Gill HS-50 sonic anemometer x axis (m/s).

V Horizontal wind component along the Gill HS-50 sonic anemometer y axis (m/s).

W Vertical wind component along the Gill HS-50 sonic anemometer z axis (m/s).

T_SONIC Temperature measured by the Gill HS-50 sonic anemometer (kelvin).

CO2 Carbon dioxide atmospheric concentrations (mixing ratio) measured by the LI-7200 gas analyzer (ppm).

H2O Water vapor atmospheric concentrations (mixing ratio) measured by the LI-7200 gas analyzer (ppt).

SA_DIAG Diagnostic flag output by the Gill HS-50 sonic anemometer (dimensionless).

GA_DIAG Diagnostic flag output by the LI-7200 gas analyzer (dimensionless).

T_CELL Average cell temperature of the LI-7200 gas analyzer (celsius).

T_CELL_IN Temperature at the inlet of the LI-7200 gas analyzer cell (celsius).

T_CELL_OUT Temperature at the outlet of the LI-7200 gas analyzer cell (celsius).

PRESS_CELL Cell pressure of the LI-7200 gas analyzer (Kpa).

Source

Data are from the Integrated Carbon Observation System (ICOS) European Research Infrastructure and accessible through the ICOS Carbon Portal <http://www.icos-cp.eu>.

Examples

```
data(closed_path_rawdata)
str(closed_path_rawdata)
```

despiking

*Despiking algorithms***Description**

A suite of despiking algorithms for micro-meteorological variables

Usage

```
despiking(x, mfreq, variant, wsignal, wscale, wby = 1, zth = 5, alpha = 0.01)
```

Arguments

x	a vector of the observed time-series values.
mfreq	the main frequency of the observed time series (24 or 48 for hourly and half-hourly time series, respectively; 10 or 20 for raw EC data acquired at 10Hz or 20Hz, respectively).
variant	"v1" mainly designed for (half-)hourly EC fluxes (missing values are allowed); "v2" mainly designed for (half-)hourly meteo time series (a low percentage of missing values is allowed); "v3" mainly designed for high-frequency EC raw data.
wsignal	the window width used to estimate the underlying signal (only for met and raw variants).
wscale	the window width used to estimate the local scale parameter (only for met and raw variants).
wby	calculate the scale parameter at every by-th point rather than every point (default=1). Large values of wby reduce the computational time, but can introduce bias in the scale parameter estimation.
zth	the threshold value of the z-sigma rule ((only for met and raw variants).
alpha	the significance level used in the outlier detection rule (only for flx variant).

Value

A list containing the following components:

despiked_ts	A vector of the despiked time-series.
spike_loc	Integer. Location of the detected spikes.

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ecmd_table

Eddy covariance metadata table

Description

A collection of metadata useful for the proper settings of eddy covariance data processing options.

Usage

```
data("ecmd_table")
```

Format

A data frame with the following variables:

DATE_OF_VARIATION_DB Optional. ISO timestamp of the variation in central database. Required format: *yyyymmddHHMM*.

DATE_OF_VARIATION_EF ISO timestamp of effective date of variation. Required format: *yyyymmdd* or *yyyymmddHHMM*.

SITEID Character string indicative of the EC Site's ID (*CC-Xxx*).

LATITUDE Latitude in decimal degree

LONGITUDE Longitude in decimal degree

ALTITUDE Altitude in meters

CANOPY_HEIGHT Canopy height in meters

SA_MANUFACTURER Sonic anemometer manufacturer (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_MODEL Sonic anemometer model (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_SW_VERSION Sonic anemometer software version.

SA_WIND_DATA_FORMAT Format of the wind components (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_NORTH_ALIGNMENT Sonic anemometer north alignment (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_HEIGHT Sonic anemometer height (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_NORTH_OFFSET Sonic anemometer north offset (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_NORTH_MAGDEC Sonic anemometer magnetic declination (see EddyPro manual.)

SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c1 Center of the first invalid wind sector.

SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w1 Width of the first invalid wind sector.

SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c2 Center of the second invalid wind sector.
 SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w2 Width of the second invalid wind sector.
 SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_c3 Center of the third invalid wind sector.
 SA_INVALID_WIND_SECTOR_w3 Width of the third invalid wind sector.
 GA_PATH Specify the eddy covariance path system: closed or open.
 GA_MANUFACTURER Gas analyzer manufacturer (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_MODEL Gas analyzer model (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_SW_VERSION Gas analyzer software version (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_NORTHWARD_SEPARATION The distance between the center of the sample volume (or the inlet of the intake tube) of the current gas analyzer and the sonic anemometer, as measured horizontally along the north-south axis (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_EASTWARD_SEPARATION The distance between the center of the sample volume (or the inlet of the intake tube) of the current gas analyzer and the sonic anemometer, as measured horizontally along the east-west axis (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_VERTICAL_SEPARATION The distance between the center of the sample volume (or the inlet of the intake tube) of the current gas analyzer and the sonic anemometer, as measured vertically (see EddyPro manual).
 GA_TUBE_DIAMETER The inside diameter of the intake tube in centimeters. Mandatory for closed path system.
 GA_FLOWRATE The flow rate in the intake tube. Mandatory for closed path system.
 GA_TUBE_LENGTH The length of the intake tube in centimeters.
 FILE_DURATION File length duration in minutes
 ACQUISITION_FREQUENCY Number of sample records per second.
 FILE_FORMAT ASCII (fixed)
 FILE_EXTENSION csv (fixed)
 LN 99 (fixed)
 FN 1 (fixed)
 EXTERNAL_TIMESTAMP END (fixed)
 EOL crlf (fixed)
 SEPARATOR comma (fixed)
 MISSING_DATA_STRING -9999 (fixed)
 NROW_HEADER 1 (fixed)
 UVW_UNITS Units of wind speed components (see EddyPro manual).
 T_SONIC_UNITS Units of sonic temperature (see EddyPro manual).
 T_CELL_UNITS Units of closed path gas analyzer cell temperature (see EddyPro manual).
 P_CELL_UNITS Units of closed path gas analyzer cell pressure (see EddyPro manual).
 CO2_measure_type Carbon dioxide concentration measurement type (e.g. mixing_ratio, see EddyPro manual).
 CO2_UNITS Units of carbon dioxide concentration (e.g. ppm, see EddyPro manual).
 H2O_measure_type Water vapor concentration measurement type (e.g. mixing_ratio, see EddyPro manual).
 H2O_UNITS Units of water vapor concentration (e.g. ppt, see EddyPro manual).
 SA_DIAG Units of the sonic anemometer diagnostics (dimensionless, fixed)
 GA_DIAG Units of the gas analyzer diagnostics (dimensionless (fixed)).

Source

Metadata elaborated by ICOS-ETC team (Integrated Carbon Observation System (ICOS-ETC) European Research Infrastructure - Ecosystem Thematic Center, <http://www.icos-etc.eu/icos/>).

References

LI-COR Biosciences: EddyPro 7.0.4: Help and User's Guide, LI-COR Biosciences, Lincoln, Nebraska USA, www.licor.com/EddyPro, 2019.

Examples

```
data(ecmd_table)
str(ecmd_table)
```

ecworkset	<i>Merge time series and returns the workset dataframe</i>
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Description

Merge time series with common indexes (times) and returns the *workset* data frame to be used as input for the data cleaning procedure via [cleanFlux](#) function.

Usage

```
ecworkset(path_EPout, path_EPqc, path_EPmd, path_QCstat, path_output=NULL, FileName=NULL)
```

Arguments

path_EPout	path where the fulloutput file generated by EddyPro software is stored.
path_EPqc	path where the qcdetails file generated by EddyPro software is stored.
path_EPmd	path where the metadata file generated by EddyPro software is stored.
path_QCstat	path where the QC statistics file generated by qcStat is stored.
path_output	path where the results will be stored. Default is NULL.
FileName	a character string naming a file for writing. Default is NULL.

Details

Returns a dataframe ordered by common indexes (times) containing a set of variables selected from the fulloutput, metadata, qcdetails files generated by EddyPro via [eddypro_run](#) and the statistics of the quality control routines (Vitale et al, 2019) generated by [qcStat](#).

Value

A dataframe object to be used as input of the [cleanFlux](#). For the meaning of variables and units see the EddyPro manual and the [qcStat](#) function description.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale, Dario Papale

References

LI-COR Biosciences: EddyPro 7.0.4: Help and User's Guide, LI-COR Biosciences, Lincoln, Nebraska USA, www.licor.com/EddyPro, 2019.

Vitale, D. Fratini, G. Bilancia, M. Nicolini, G. Sabbatini, S. Papale, D. A robust data cleaning procedure for eddy covariance flux measurements, Biogeosciences, 17, 1367–1391, doi: <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-17-1367-2020>, 2020.

Examples

```
PATH_EPOUT <- system.file("extdata", "eddypro_DE-HoH_full_output_example.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_EPQC <- system.file("extdata", "eddypro_DE-HoH_qc_details_example.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_EPMO <- system.file("extdata", "eddypro_DE-HoH_metadata_example.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_QCSTAT <- system.file("extdata", "qcStat_example.csv", package = "RFlux")

WorkSet <- ecworkset(path_EPout=PATH_EPOUT,
                    path_EPqc=PATH_EPQC,
                    path_EPMO=PATH_EPMO,
                    path_QCstat=PATH_QCSTAT,
                    path_output=NULL,FileName=NULL)

str(WorkSet)
```

eddypro_run

Fluxes estimation

Description

Estimates flux values and other micrometeorological parameters through a call to LI-COR EddyPro software.

Usage

```
eddypro_run(siteID, path_eddypro_bin, path_eddypro_projfiles, showLOG = TRUE)
```

Arguments

siteID	Character string indicative of the site's ID (i.e. CC-Xxx)
path_eddypro_bin	path where eddypro_rp and eddypro_fcc executables (i.e. the bin folder) are stored.
path_eddypro_projfiles	path where the EddyPro project files (i.e. the <i>filename.eddypro</i> file) is stored.
showLOG	logical. If TRUE (default), the EddyPro Output Console Page is shown on R console.

Value

A set of .csv files (e.g. fulloutput, qcdetails and metadata) generated by EddyPro software will be stored in the path specified by [get_md](#).

Warning

It is required LI-COR EddyPro software is currently installed on your system (see www.licor.com/EddyPro).

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale, Dario Papale

References

LI-COR Biosciences: EddyPro 7.0.4: Help and User's Guide, LI-COR Biosciences, Lincoln, Nebraska USA, www.licor.com/EddyPro, 2019.

Examples

```
## Not run:
workdir <- getwd()
siteID <- "DE-HoH"
PATH_ECMD <- system.file("extdata", "DE-HoH_ecmd.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_RAWDATA <- system.file("extdata", package = "RFlux")
PATH_OUTPUT <- paste0(workdir, "/eddypro/processing")
PATH_SA_FILE <- system.file("extdata", "spectral_assessment.txt", package = "RFlux")
PATH_PF_FILE <- system.file("extdata", "planar_fit.txt", package = "RFlux")

MD <- get_md(path_ecmd=PATH_ECMD,
             path_rawdata=PATH_RAWDATA,
             path_output=PATH_OUTPUT,
             online=TRUE,
             path_sa_file=PATH_SA_FILE,
             path_pf_file=PATH_PF_FILE,
             tlag_meth=2,
             despikes_meth="VM97",
             detrend_meth="BA",
             tilt_correction_meth="PF")

PATH_EDDYPRO_BIN <- "/Applications/eddypro.app/Contents/MacOS/bin" ## put your path!
PATH_EDDYPRO_PROJ <- PATH_OUTPUT
eddypro_run(siteID="DE-HoH",
            path_eddypro_bin=PATH_EDDYPRO_BIN,
            path_eddypro_projfiles=PATH_EDDYPRO_PROJ,
            showLOG=TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

get_md

Metadata file management

Description

Returns the input files required by EddyPro software (LI-COR registered trademark; Fratini and Mauder, 2014).

Usage

```
get_md(path_ecmd = NULL,
       path_rawdata = NULL,
       path_output = NULL,
       online,
       path_sa_file = NULL,
       path_pf_file = NULL,
       tlag_meth,
       despiking_meth=c("None", "VM97", "M13"),
       detrend_meth=c("BA", "LD"),
       tilt_correction_meth=c("DR", "PF"))
```

Arguments

path_ecmd	path where the CC-Xxx_ecmd.csv file containing metadata information is stored.
path_rawdata	path where eddy covariance rawdata files are stored.
path_output	path where the results of eddypro_run will be stored (it will be created, if any).
online	logical. Indicating whether the parameters of the planar fit method and the spectral correction factors are taken from results of previous processing (online=TRUE) or estimated by using the current set of EC rawdata (online=FALSE).
path_sa_file	path where the spectral assessment file generated by EddyPro software is stored.
path_pf_file	path where the planar fit file generated by EddyPro software is stored.
tlag_meth	time lag detection method: 0 None; 1 Constant time lag, 2 Maximum covariance with default; 3 Maximum covariance; 4 Automatic optimization.
despiking_meth	despiking method: "None", not apply; "VM97", algorithm by Vickers and Mahrt (1997); "M13", algorithm by Mauder et al (2013).
detrend_meth	trend removal method: "BA" Block Average; "LD" Linear Detrending (Rannik and Vesala, 2001).
tilt_correction_meth	axis rotation method for tilt correction: "DR" Double Rotation; "PF" Planar Fit (Wilczak et al, 2001).

Details

This function builds the input files required by EddyPro software to process eddy covariance raw-data files.

Value

Returns the following files

CC-Xxx.eddypro

CC-Xxx.metadata

CC-Xxx_dynamic_metadata.txt

where CC-Xxx denoting the site's ID.

Warning

If online=FALSE, the number of rawdata needs to be large enough to allow robust estimates of the planar fit parameters (Wilczak et al 2001) and of the spectral correction factors (Fratini et al, 2012). In case of few rawdata, the double rotation method for sonic anemometer tilt correction and the analytical method by Moncrieff et al (1997) for spectral correction will be performed.

Note

Rawdata must be provided as .csv file with the following name: *CC-Xxx????yyyymmddHHMM?????.csv*, where *CC-Xxx* is the site's ID, *yyyymmddHHMM* is the ISO timestamp, and ?s denoting free characters. For example: DE-HoH_EC_201901010030_v01.csv.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale, Dario Papale

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See Also

[closed_path_rawdata](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
workdir <- getwd()
siteID <- "DE-HoH"
PATH_ECMD <- system.file("extdata", "DE-HoH_ecmd.csv", package = "RFlux")
PATH_RAWDATA <- system.file("extdata", package = "RFlux")
PATH_OUTPUT <- paste0(workdir, "/eddypro/processing")
PATH_SA_FILE <- system.file("extdata", "spectral_assessment.txt", package = "RFlux")
PATH_PF_FILE <- system.file("extdata", "planar_fit.txt", package = "RFlux")

MD <- get_md(path_ecmd=PATH_ECMD,
             path_rawdata=PATH_RAWDATA,
             path_output=PATH_OUTPUT,
             online=TRUE,
             path_sa_file=PATH_SA_FILE,
             path_pf_file=PATH_PF_FILE,
             tlag_meth=2,
             despikes_meth="VM97",
             detrend_meth="BA",
             tilt_correction_meth="PF")

## End(Not run)
```

inst_prob_test

Instrumental problem detection

Description

A set of tests aims at detecting instrumental malfunctions affecting eddy covariance systems.

Usage

```
inst_prob_test(x)
```

Arguments

x raw high frequency eddy covariance time series.

Value

Skew	Skewness.
Kurt	Kurtosis index on original data.
KID0	Kurtosis index on difference data.
KID1	Kurtosis index on difference data excluding low resolution problems.
HFX	Homogeneity test statistic based on fluctuation.
HDx	Homogeneity test statistic based on difference data.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale

References

Vitale, D. Fratini, G. Bilancia, M. Nicolini, G. Sabbatini, S. Papale, D. A robust data cleaning procedure for eddy covariance flux measurements, Biogeosciences, 17, 1367–1391, doi: <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-17-1367-2020>, 2020.

Examples

```
data(closed_path_rawdata)
inst_prob_test(closed_path_rawdata$W)
```

mahrt	<i>Stationary test for eddy covariance fluxes</i>
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Description

Performs the non-stationary ratio test described by Mahrt (1998)

Usage

```
mahrt(x)
```

Arguments

x two-column dataframe containing raw high-frequency time series of vertical wind component (i.e. W) and scalar atmospheric variable (e.g. CO2).

Value

Returns the non-stationary ratio test statistic.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale

References

Mahrt L (1998) Flux sampling errors for aircraft and towers, J. Atmos. Ocean. Tech., 15, 416-429, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0426\(1998\)015<0416:fsefaa>2.0.co;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0426(1998)015<0416:fsefaa>2.0.co;2).

Examples

```
PATH_RAWDATA <- system.file("extdata", "DE-HoH_EC_201907301200_v01.csv", package = "RFlux")
data(closed_path_rawdata)
mahrt(data.frame("W"=closed_path_rawdata$W, "CO2"=closed_path_rawdata$CO2))
```

parallel_despiking *Despiking eddy covariance raw data*

Description

A parallel implementation of the despiking algorithm for high-frequency eddy covariance raw data

Usage

```
parallel_despiking(x, mfreq, wsignal = mfreq*30+1, wscale=mfreq*30+1, wby = 1, zth = 5)
```

Arguments

x	a vector of the observed time-series values.
mfreq	the main frequency of the observed time series (24 or 48 for hourly and half-hourly time series, respectively; 10 or 20 for raw EC data acquired at 10Hz or 20Hz, respectively).
wsignal	the window width used to estimate the underlying signal (only for met and raw variants).
wscale	the window width used to estimate the local scale paramater (only for met and raw variants).
wby	calculate the scale parameter at every by-th point rather than every point (default=1). Large values of wby reduce the computational time, but can introduce bias in the scale parameter estimation.
zth	the threshold value of the z-sigma rule ((only for met and raw variants).

Value

A list containing the following components:

despiked_ts	A vector of the despiked time-series.
spike_loc	Integer. Location of the detected spikes.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale

References

Fried, R. Schettlinger, K. Matthias Borowski, M. robfilter: Robust Time Series Filters. R package version 4.1.1. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=robfilter>, 2018.

Vitale, D. A performace evaluation of despiking algorithms for eddy covariance data. Nature Scientific Reports (in review).

qcStat

*Quality control tests for eddy covariance fluxes***Description**

Returns the test statistics of the quality control routines described by Vitale et al (2019).

Usage

```
qcStat(path_rawdata, ext_tstamp=c("START", "END"), path_output=NULL, FileName=NULL)
```

Arguments

path_rawdata	path where raw high-frequency eddy covariance data are stored.
ext_tstamp	Character string specifying whether the timestamp in the file name is indicative of the beginning ("START") or the end ("END") of time series involved.
path_output	path where the results will be stored. Default is NULL.
FileName	a character string naming a file for writing. Default is NULL.

Value

A data frame containing:

TSTAMP	ISO timestamp start of averaging period (format: <i>yyyymmddHHMM</i>).
SADiag	Diagnostic for the sonic anemometer.
FMR_X	Fraction of Missing Records in raw, high-frequency, data used for X flux variable estimation.
LGD_X	Longest Gap Duration in raw, high-frequency, data used for X flux variable estimation.
Skew_X	Skewness of X variable.
Kurt_X	Kurtosis of X variable.
KID0_X	Kurtosis Index of Differenced X variable.
KID1_X	Kurtosis Index of Differenced X variable excluding the effect of possible low resolution problems.
HF5_X	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on X variable fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $+/- 5\sigma$).
HF10_X	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on X variable fluctuations (percentage of data exceeding $+/- 10\sigma$).
HD5_X	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced X variable (percentage of data exceeding $+/- 5\sigma$).
HD10_X	Statistic of the homogeneity test applied on differenced X variable (percentage of data exceeding $+/- 10\sigma$).
COV_XY	Covariance between X and Y variables.
N0_X	Number of repeated consecutive values affecting X flux variable.
LSR_X	Statistic of the Low Signal Resolution test for X flux variable.
M98_X	Statistic of the non-stationary ratio test by Mahrt (1988) for X flux variable.

Note

The output of `qcStat` constitutes one of input files required by the `ecworkset` function.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale

References

Mahrt L (1998) Flux sampling errors for aircraft and towers, J. Atmos. Ocean. Tech., 15, 416-429, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0426\(1998\)015<0416:fsefaa>2.0.co;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0426(1998)015<0416:fsefaa>2.0.co;2).

Vitale, D. Fratini, G. Bilancia, M. Nicolini, G. Sabbatini, S. Papale, D. A robust data cleaning procedure for eddy covariance flux measurements, Biogeosciences, 17, 1367–1391, doi: <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-17-1367-2020>, 2020.

Examples

```
PATH_RAWDATA <- system.file("extdata", "DE-HoH_EC_201907301200_v01.csv", package = "RFlux")
QC_STAT <- qcStat(path_rawdata=PATH_RAWDATA, ext_tstamp="END", path_output=NULL, FileName=NULL)
QC_STAT
```

tlag_detection	<i>Time-lag detection</i>
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Description

Optimal time-lag detection by means of the pre-whitening procedure.

Usage

```
tlag_detection(x, y, mfreq, x.model = ar.res,
               AIC = FALSE, LAG.MAX = mfreq*10,
               show.plot = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	first component series (e.g. CO2 concentrations).
y	second component series (e.g. vertical wind speed).
mfreq	acquisition frequency.
x.model	an ARIMA model; if provided, it is used to prewhiten both series. Otherwise, an AR model is fitted to the x-series and used to pre-whiten both series.
AIC	Logical. If an AR model is used for prewhitening, the AR order is chosen by minimizing the Akaike Information Criteria (AIC=TRUE), otherwise the AR model is chosen as $10 \cdot \log_{10}(N)$ where N is the number of observations. Default is FALSE.
LAG.MAX	maximum lag at which to calculate the ccf. Default is 10 seconds.
show.plot	Logical. If TRUE, the CCFs will be displayed (default FALSE).

Value

A list containing the following components:

ccf	Output from the ccf function on the prewhitened data.
ar	The AR model fit to the x-series, or x.model if it is provided.
opt_tlag	Optimal time lag detected (timestep).
tlag_pw	Time lag of the main peak of the cross-correlation function after pre-whitening.
tlag_lmax	Local maxima of the cross-covariance function closest to tlag_pw.
tlag_lmin	Local minima of the cross-covariance function closest to tlag_pw.
corr_est	Estimated correlation at .
cv1pct	Critical (abs) value of the ccf at 0.01 level.
cv5pct	Critical (abs) value of the ccf at 0.05 level.

Author(s)

Domenico Vitale

References

Vitale et al. (in prep) Optimal Time Lag Detection for Eddy Covariance Data Acquisition Systems

See Also

See also prewhiten function in the TSA R package.

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(RFlux)
library(forecast)
library(xts)
data("closed_path_rawdata")
rawdata <- closed_path_rawdata
N <- nrow(rawdata)
timestamp_orig <- strptime("0000.00", format="%H%M.%OS", tz="GMT") + seq(1, N, 1);
data.xts <- xts(rawdata, order.by=timestamp_orig);

## Detecting time lag between H2O and vertical wind speed (W) by using an AR model (default)
tlag_h2o_out <- tlag_detection(x=rawdata$H2O, y=rawdata$W, mfreq=20,
                             show.plot=TRUE)

tlag_h2o_out$opt_tlag
tlag_h2o_out$corr_est

## Detecting time lag between CO2 and Sonic Temperature by using an ARIMA model
mod <- auto.arima(rawdata$CO2, stationary=FALSE)
tlag_co2_out <- tlag_detection(x=rawdata$CO2, y=rawdata$T_SONIC, mfreq=20,
                              show.plot=TRUE, x.model=mod)

tlag_co2_out$opt_tlag
tlag_co2_out$corr_est

## Time series alignment
tlag_co2 <- tlag_co2_out$opt_tlag
tlag_h2o <- tlag_h2o_out$opt_tlag
```



```
timestamp_co2 <- strptime("0000.00", format="%H%M.%OS", tz="GMT") +  
  seq(-tlag_co2+1, N - tlag_co2, 1);  
timestamp_h2o <- strptime("0000.00", format="%H%M.%OS", tz="GMT") +  
  seq(-tlag_h2o+1, N - tlag_h2o, 1);  
  
co2s <- xts(rawdata$CO2, order.by=timestamp_co2);  
h2os <- xts(rawdata$H2O, order.by=timestamp_h2o);  
rawdata_aligned <- na.omit(data.frame(merge(data.xts[,c(1:4)],  
  co2s, h2os, data.xts[,c(7:12)], tz="GMT")));  
colnames(rawdata_aligned) <- c("U", "V", "W", "T_SONIC", "CO2", "H2O",  
  "SA_DIAG", "GA_DIAG",  
  "T_CELL", "T_CELL_IN", "T_CELL_OUT", "PRESS_CELL")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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