

ReadMe File for Datasets and Descriptive Plots
“Extremes of Physical-Chemical Drivers and Cyanobacteria Concentrations”

DCRA_precip_1940-2021.Rdata contains daily precipitation at Dane County Regional Airport for 1940-2021 (Anderson, Robertson, & Service, 2022). Data were downloaded as .csv file and converted to .Rdata.

Discharge_PB+YW_1990-2021.Rdata contains daily discharge data for Pheasant Branch (PB), the Yahara Watershed (YW), and their sum for 1990-2021. The file was constructed by the R script **Merge_Discharge_PB+YW_ca1990-2021.R** from the downloaded file

Disch_PB+YP_1976-2021_gaps.Rdata. Downloading from the USGS website was conducted by the R script **RetrieveUSGSdata.R**.

Annloads_PB+YP_1995-2021.Rdata contains daily total phosphorus load data for Pheasant Branch (PB) and the Yahara Watershed (YW; the YP in the file name is a typo) downloaded from the USGS website was accomplished by the R script **RetrieveUSGSdata.R**.

Me_1min_2021.Rdata is the observations of water temperature, pigment concentrations, and meteorologic variates made every minute from the buoy in Lake Mendota generated by **Read_Mendota_2021_1min.R** from the file **DavidBuoy2021.csv** posted by Magnuson et al. (2022).

***NOTE:** Similar R files were constructed from the same source for each year from 2008-2021. Due to storage limitations of GitHub these files are not copied here.*

BGA+Chl_dark_centered_Z_2008-2021.Rdata was built from annual files ‘**Me_1min_yyyy.Rdata**’ where yyyy stands for a four-digit year using the R script **Make_Dark_Pigments_CenterLogs+Z_AllYears_2022-02-04.R**. Data from each year are trimmed to days 152-258, 1 June – 15 September the primary bloom season. Means are saved for the full 24 hour cycle and for the ‘dark hours’ of 2200-0400 each day to minimize quenching. 24 hour and dark-hour means are saved for both phycocyanin and chlorophyll in data frames **BGAdark** and **Chldark**, respectively. Columns in each data frame are year, day of year, daily mean dark-hour pigment, daily mean dark-hour log pigment, centered dark-hour log pigment (mean for the year subtracted), and Z-scored dark-hour log pigment (subtract the annual mean and divide by the annual standard deviation).

PPT_Disch_Pload_BGAdark_2008-2021.Rdata was built from daily .Rdata files for precipitation, discharge, phosphorus load, and phycocyanin defined above using the R script **Merge_Precip_Dischg_Pload_BGA_for_Plots_2022-04-24.R**. The same script was modified to make the version without discharge used for cross correlations **PPT_Pload_BGAdark_2008-2021.Rdata**

Time series Figures 1 and S1, S2, and S3 are plotted by **TimeSeries4Panels_PPT+Disch+Pload+BGA_2022-04-24.R**

Cross-correlations Figure 6 is computed and plotted by **CCFs_byYear+Sums_2022-02-24.R**

The leading or driver variate x is selected on lines 42-45. The following, response, or dependent variate y is selected on lines 46-48.

References

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