# Introduction to USGSHydroOpt

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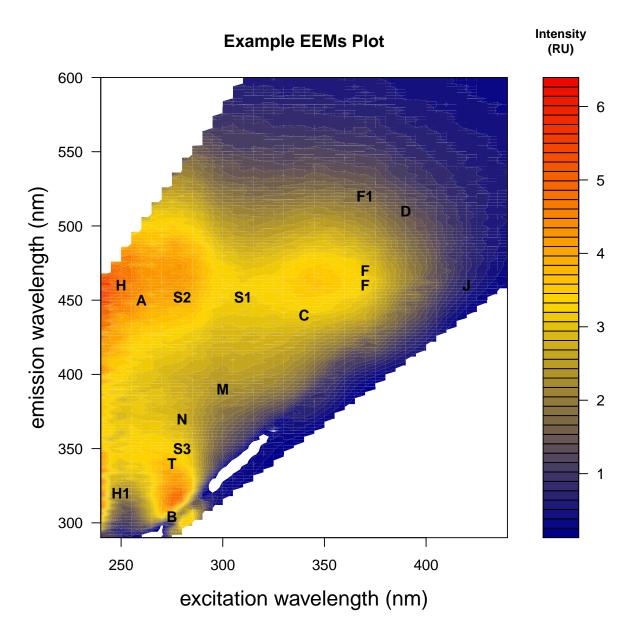
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### 1 Introduction to USGSHydroOpt

The USGSHydroOpt package was created to streamline the process of creating optical summary variables and excitation-emission (EEMs) plots for absorbance and fluoresence data collected from various freshwater sources. Examples of optical summary variables that can be produced with this package include various absorbance peaks, The functions in this package were designed to operate on dataframes with a standardized structures. This package is not amenable to dataframes that do not fit the prescribed format. The example dataframes in this package illustrate exactly how dataframes should be formatted, and the examples illustrate how the functions operate on the dataframes. Depicted below is an example of an EEMs plot produced with this package.



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## 2 Dataframe Formatting for USGS HydroOpt

The functions contained in USGSHydroOpt operate on dataframes with defined structures. Users interested in using USGSHydroOpt should format dataframes according to the structures defined in this section.

#### 2.1 Absorbance Data

Absorbance data used by functions in USGSHydroOpt should be formatted such that each sample occupies a column, and one column contains the wavelength for which the absorbance measurement was measured

(*See example below*). The column with the wavelengths does not need to be called "wavelengths," as it is named in the example dataframe below. Since this package was developed primarily for USGS activities, the default for naming samples is "gr" then the sample number. This convention was started by the USGS California Water Sciences Center (CA WSC) and the USGS Wisconsin Water Science Center (WI WSC) follows the same naming convention to ensure standardization.

```
gr13351
                                        gr13357 wavelengths
     gr13307
                            gr13353
   0.0001296 - 0.0003505 - 0.0003480 - 0.0002695
                                                        750
1
              0.0000305 - 0.0000915 - 0.0001407
                                                        749
2 - 0.0002367
3 -0.0001582 -0.0004900 -0.0006325 -0.0001534
                                                        748
4 -0.0004642 -0.0000105 -0.0000932 -0.0000245
                                                        747
5 -0.0002551 -0.0000653 0.0000841 -0.0001615
                                                        746
6 -0.0001842 -0.0002135 0.0002082 0.0001429
                                                        745
```

#### 2.2 Fluoresence Data

Fluoresence data used by functions in USGSHydroOpt should also be formatted such that each sample occupies a column, and one column contains the excitation emission wavelength pairs for which the fluoresence measurement was measured (*See example below*). The column with the excitation emission pairs does not need to be called "Wavelength.Pairs," as it is in the example dataframe below. Again since this package was developed for USGS activities, the default sample naming convention is "gr" followed by the sample number.

```
Wavelength.Pairs gr13307 gr13308
                                      gr13351
                                               gr13352
1
           240/290 0.09457 0.05358 -0.07268
                                              -0.19368
2
           240/292 0.07386 0.09194
                                      0.45433
                                               0.39722
3
           240/294 0.08116 0.09930
                                               0.37943
                                      0.49135
4
           240/296 0.12013 0.09138 -0.12248
                                               0.09239
                                               0.14980
5
           240/298 0.15264 0.15428
                                      0.54694
6
           240/300 0.16467 0.13010
                                      0.43319
                                               0.33064
```

#### 2.3 Spectral Slopes Data

Information on the upper and lower wavelength for which a spectral slope should be calculated needs to be stored in a dataframe if USGSHydroOpt is used. The dataframe should contain exactly three columns. The first column should contain the upper wavelength, the second column should contain the lower wavelength, and the third column should contain the name of the spectral slope being calculated (*See example below*). The columns need to be in this exact order, although the names of the columns may be different. The data types for each column are integer, integer, and character, respectively. More spectral slopes can be added to the table than specified in the example dataframe below.

```
      wvlngth1
      wvlngth2
      Name

      1
      275
      290
      Sag275_295

      2
      290
      350
      Sag290_350

      3
      350
      400
      Sag350_400

      4
      412
      676
      Sag412_676
```

#### 2.4 Optical Summary Data

This is the dataframe that contains many of the summary optical variables that can be produced using functions in USGSHydroOpt (*See example below*). The functions in USGSHydroOpt calculate summary optical variables and add to a dataframe formatted according to the example below. The example dataframe below is how the WI WSC stores optical summary variables. Note that this dataframe can contain other columns with metadata, for example, the sample data and time, the sample ID, or whether or not the sample went through QA/QC.

```
GRnumber
                 B T A J FI 2005
1
  gr13307
          0.050997 0.1826 0.4553 0.03705
                                         1.639 0.05228
  gr13351 -0.245602 0.4085 3.0783 0.19110
                                           1.456 0.43531
  gr13353 -0.175220 0.7794 6.8624 0.56309
                                           1.523 0.68274
  gr13357 0.111561 0.2691 0.9451 0.06969
                                           1.572 0.08698
  gr13360 -0.001569 0.4593 2.8254 0.37231
                                           1.563 0.28605
  gr13363 0.052137 0.4892 1.9518 0.19098
                                          1.583 0.19283
```

However, also note that summary optical variable names in the dataframe must be identical to those specified in the table below.

```
Error: object 'summaryOpticalVars' not found
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```