# Package 'ffcAPIClient'

January 14, 2020

January 14, 2020
Type Package
Title Functional Flows Calculator API Client
Version 0.9.3
Author Nick Santos, Ryan Peek
Maintainer Nick Santos <nrsantos@ucdavis.edu></nrsantos@ucdavis.edu>
<b>Description</b> A client for the Python-based functional flows calculator API hosted at eflows.ucdavis.edu. Requires a token from the eflows.ucdavis.edu website to operate. More information forthcoming. See README at https://github.com/cefftech/ffc_api_client Use four spaces when indenting paragraphs within the Description.
License MIT
Encoding UTF-8
LazyData true
Imports dplyr,  jsonlite,  httr,  uuid,  ggplot2,  dataRetrieval,  lubridate,  R6,  nhdplusTools,  units,  tidyr,  data.table (>= 1.12.8)
Suggests testthat (>= 2.1.0)
RoxygenNote 7.0.2
R topics documented:
ffcAPIClient .  FFCProcessor  flow_metrics .  get_comid_for_lon_lat  get_comid_for_usgs_gage  get_ffc_results_for_df .

2 ffcAPIClient

	get_nc_resuns_for_usgs_gage	2
	get_predicted_flow_metrics	6
	get_results_as_df	$\epsilon$
	get_results_for_name	6
	get_token	7
	get_usgs_gage_data	
	make_flow_json	7
	make_json	
	merge_list	8
	plot_drh	8
	process_data	9
	set_token	9
	USGSGage	9
Index		11
inaex		12

ffcAPIClient

ffcAPIClient: Processes time-series flow data using the online functional flows calculator

#### **Description**

For now, see the documentation for get\_ffc\_results\_for\_df

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Example 1
## Initialize a Run
test_data <- example_gagedata() # just get some fake gage data - based on Daniel Philippus' code - you can build
ffcAPIClient::set_token(YOUR_TOKEN_VALUE_IN_QUOTES) # you'll need to get your own of this - see above
results <- ffcAPIClient::get_ffc_results_for_df(test_data) # send it to the FFC online to process
## Retrieve Results and Plot
## get the DRH data as a data frame with percentiles for columns and days for rows
drh_data <- ffcAPIClient::get_drh(results)</pre>
plot(drh_data$seventy_five, type="l") # plot the seventy-fifth percentile DRH
# Example 2: Retrieve, Process, Plot USGS gage
## This example retrieves USGS gage data, runs it through the FFC online, and plots the DRH nicely
## don't forget to set your token first if you haven't already
ffcAPIClient::set_token(YOUR_TOKEN_VALUE_IN_QUOTES) # you'll need to get your own of this - see above
## retrieves flow data for North Fork American gage and sends it through the FFC
results <- ffcAPIClient::get_ffc_results_for_usgs_gage(11427000)
drh_plot <- ffcAPIClient::plot_drh(results) # includes optional output_path argument to save to file automatic
drh_plot # display the plot
## End(Not run)
```

FFCProcessor 3

**FFCProcessor** 

FFCProcessor Class

### **Description**

The new workhorse of the client - this class is meant to bring together the scattershot functions in other parts of the package so that data can be integrated into a single class with a single set of tasks. Other functions are likely to be supported for a while (and this may even rely on them), but long run, much of the code in this file might move into this class, with the shortcut functions creating this class behind the scenes and returning an instance of this object.

#### **Details**

More details to come, and more examples.

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- FFCProcessor\$get\_ffc\_results()
- FFCProcessor\$evaluate\_alteration()
- FFCProcessor\$clone()

```
Method get_ffc_results():
```

Usage:

FFCProcessor\$get\_ffc\_results()

Method evaluate\_alteration():

Usage:

FFCProcessor\$evaluate\_alteration()

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

FFCProcessor\$clone(deep = FALSE)

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

flow\_metrics

Modeled flow metric predictions for all stream segments

#### **Description**

Contains the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentile values for each flow metric and stream segment combination. It is a data frame where the metrics are rows with names in the Metric field, stream segment ID is in the COMID field and percentiles are available as fields such as pct\_10, pct\_25, etc for each percentile.

#### Usage

flow\_metrics

#### **Format**

A data frame : name text name text ...

 ${\tt get\_comid\_for\_lon\_lat} \ \ \textit{Retrieves COMID for a given USGS gage which collects daily data}.$ 

#### **Description**

This function returns the COMID associated with a specific USGS gage. It can be used to associate gage data with flow metric predictions a stream segment identified with the com\_id input variable.

### Usage

```
get_comid_for_lon_lat(longitude, latitude)
```

### **Arguments**

latitude numeric. Longitude or X. numeric. Longitude or Y.

get\_comid\_for\_usgs\_gage

Retrieves COMID for a given USGS gage which collects daily data.

### Description

This function returns the COMID associated with a specific USGS gage. It can be used to associate gage data with flow metric predictions a stream segment identified with the com\_id input variable.

### Usage

```
get_comid_for_usgs_gage(gage_id)
```

### **Arguments**

gage\_id character. A character formatted 8 digit USGS Gage ID.

get\_ffc\_results\_for\_df 5

```
get_ffc_results_for_df
```

Run Data Frame Through Functional Flows Calculator

### **Description**

This is the primary function to use from the API client itself to obtain raw FFC results. It will generate a unique ID, run the data frame through the FFC, and then delete the results for that ID from the website so as not to clutter up the user's account, or store too much data on the server side.

### Usage

```
get_ffc_results_for_df(flows_df, flow_field, date_field, start_date)
```

### **Arguments**

flows_df	DataFrame. A time series data frame with flow and date columns
flow_field	character, default "flow". The name of the field in df that contains flow values.
date_field	character, default "date". The name of the field in df that contains date values for each flow. The date field must be in MM/DD/YYYY format as either factor or character values - true dates likely will not work based on the API we're using. If you need to convert date values, add a field to your existing data frame with the values in MM/DD/YYYYY format before providing it to this function.
start_date	character, default "10/1". What month and day should the water year start on? Neither month nor day needs to be zero-padded here, so March first could just be 3/1, while December 12th can be 12/12.

### Value

list of results from the functional flows calculator. More information will be forthcoming as we inspect the structure of what is returned.

### Description

Provided with an integer Gage ID, this function pulls the timeseries data for the gage and processes it in a single step. Returns the functional flow calculator's results list.

### Usage

```
get_ffc_results_for_usgs_gage(gage_id, start_date)
```

### **Arguments**

gage\_id integer. The USGS Gage ID value for the gage you want to return timeseries data for

6 get\_results\_for\_name

#### Value

list. Functional Flow Calculator results

```
get_predicted_flow_metrics
```

Retrieves flow predicted flow metric values for a stream segment

#### **Description**

This function returns the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentile values for each flow metric as predicted for the stream segment you identify with the com\_id input variable. It returns a data frame where the metrics are rows with names in the metric field, and percentiles are available as fields such as pct\_10, pct\_25, etc for each percentile.

### Usage

```
get_predicted_flow_metrics(com_id)
```

### **Arguments**

com\_id

character. A string of a NHD COMID to retrieve metrics for.

get\_results\_as\_df

Convert FFC results list to data frame with metric names

### **Description**

More documentation forthcoming

#### Usage

```
get_results_as_df(results, drop_fields)
```

```
get_results_for_name Retrieve processed results from FFC.
```

### **Description**

In most cases, you won't need to use this function! If you're wondering what to do, use get\_ffc\_results\_for\_df instead.

### Usage

```
get_results_for_name(name, autodelete)
```

### **Details**

Gets the results for the given named run of the FFC. Returns the nested list - no other processing

get\_token 7

get_	_to	ken

Retrieve Previously Set Token

### **Description**

Retrieves the authorization token previously set by set\_token in the same R session.

### Usage

```
get_token()
```

get\_usgs\_gage\_data

Retrieves USGS timeseries gage data

### Description

This is just a helper function that calls the gage constructor, gets the flows and returns them in one step. Useful in situations where we don't need the flexibility of the USGSGage class

### Usage

```
get_usgs_gage_data(gage_id)
```

### Arguments

gage\_id

integer. The USGS Gage ID value for the gage you want to return timeseries data for

### Value

dataframe. Will include a flow field (CFS) and a date field (MM/DD/YYYY)  $\,$ 

 ${\sf make\_flow\_json}$ 

Makes the part of the JSON string that is just for the flow data - needs to be passed into make\_json later as "data\_json"

### Description

Makes the part of the JSON string that is just for the flow data - needs to be passed into make\_json later as "data\_json"

#### Usage

```
make_flow_json(flows_df, flow_field, date_field)
```

plot\_drh

make\_json

Prepares the JSON payload to send to the eflows website.

#### **Description**

Prepares the JSON payload to send to the eflows website.

### Usage

```
make_json(data_json, start_date, token, extra)
```

merge\_list

Merges Data Frames by Year Column

### **Description**

Just a simple function that can be used with Reduce to merge multiple data frames together by year

### Usage

```
merge_list(df1, df2)
```

plot\_drh

Plots the Dimensionless Reference Hydrograph

### Description

Given a set of results data from get\_ffc\_results\_for\_df or get\_ffc\_results\_for\_usgs\_gage, processes the DRH data and returns a plot object.

### Usage

```
plot_drh(results, output_path)
```

### **Arguments**

results list.

output\_path, default NULL. Optional. When set, saves the DRH plot to the output file path

provided.

### **Details**

Credit to Ryan Peek for the code in this function.

process\_data 9

process_data	Send flow data for processing	

### Description

In most cases, you won't need to use this function! If you're wondering what to do, use get\_ffc\_results\_for\_df instead.

### Usage

```
process_data(flows_df, flow_field, date_field, start_date, name)
```

#### **Details**

Sends flow timeseries data off to the functional flows calculator. Does not retrieve results!

set_token	Set Eflows Website Access Token	
-----------	---------------------------------	--

### Description

Provide the token string used for accessing the Eflows site. A token is a method of authorization for identifying your user account within scripts. By providing the token, this package uses your user account when interacting with the eflows web service/API.

### Usage

```
set_token(token_string)
```

### **Arguments**

```
token_string character
```

USGSGage USGS Gage Retrieval Tools

### **Description**

This class retrieves data for a USGS gage.

10 USGSGage

#### **Details**

#library(ffcAPIClient) #gageid <- 11427000 #gage <- USGSGage\$new() #gage\$id <- gageid #gage\$get\_data() #gage\$get\_comid() #gage\$comid [1] 14996611 #ffcAPIClient::get\_predicted\_flow\_metrics(gage\$comid) Metric COMID p10 p25 p50 p75 p90 source 70804 DS Dur WS 14996611 1.051875e+02 1.273438e+02 154.0625 1.785563e+02 1.953908e+02 model 211050 DS Mag 50 14996611 4.998793e+01 6.732828e+01 104.4028 1.464183e+02 1.882733e+02 model 351296 DS Mag 90 14996611 9.314097e+01 1.291930e+02 173.6844 2.382053e+02 3.393799e+02 model 491542 DS Tim 14996611 2.720000e+02 2.823875e+02 296.8875 3.070000e+02 3.210167e+02 model 586665 FA Dur 14996611 2.000000e+00 3.000000e+00 4.0000 6.000000e+00 8.000000e+00 obs 702508 FA\_Mag 14996611 1.294269e+02 1.886283e+02 289.6838 4.540329e+02 8.514823e+02 model 842754 FA\_Tim 14996611 7.816667e+00 1.400000e+01 24.6250 2.900000e+01 4.217000e+01 model 983000 Peak\_10 14996611 1.243107e+04 1.947545e+04 22830.3355 3.124928e+04 3.767889e+04 model 1123246 Peak\_20 14996611 8.078893e+03 1.227363e+04 20218.4829 2.087196e+04 2.087196e+04 model 1263492 Peak\_50 14996611 3.532988e+03 7.350986e+03 8542.1191 8.969386e+03 8.969386e+03 model 1358615 Peak\_Dur\_10 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 1.0000 2.000000e+00 4.000000e+00 obs 1429335 Peak Dur 20 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 2.0000 3.000000e+00 6.000000e+00 obs 1500055 Peak Dur 50 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 4.0000 1.000000e+01 2.900000e+01 obs 1570775 Peak\_Fre\_10 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 1.0000 1.00000e+00 2.000000e+00 obs 1641495 Peak\_Fre\_20 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 1.0000 2.000000e+00 3.000000e+00 obs 1712215 Peak Fre 50 14996611 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00 2.0000 3.000000e+00 5.000000e+00 obs 1828058 SP Dur 14996611 4.700000e+01 5.900000e+0172.00009.527500e+011.215417e+02 model 1968304 SP\_Mag 14996611 1.067727e+03 1.662598e+03 2489.0563 3.771512e+03 5.809320e+03 model 2063427 SP\_ROC 14996611 3.845705e-02 4.863343e-02 0.0625 8.132020e-02 1.141117e-01 obs 2179270 SP Tim 14996611 1.607717e+02 1.905000e+02 218.7500 2.354750e+02 2.447583e+02 model 2319516 Wet\_BFL\_Dur 14996611 7.633333e+01 1.073000e+02 141.1958 1.633750e+02 1.875000e+02 model 2459762 Wet BFL Mag 10 14996611 1.519943e+02 1.960031e+02 278.2581 4.384614e+02 5.489183e+02 model 2600008 Wet BFL Mag 50 14996611 4.148992e+02 5.902507e+02 924.1728 1.175461e+03 1.426576e+03 model

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

```
• USGSGage$validate()
```

- USGSGage\$get\_data()
- USGSGage\$get\_comid()
- USGSGage\$get\_predicted\_metrics()
- USGSGage\$clone()

#### Method validate():

Usage:

USGSGage\$validate(latlong)

### Method get\_data():

Usage:

USGSGage\$get\_data()

### Method get\_comid():

Usage:

USGSGage\$get\_comid()

USGSGage 11

```
Method get_predicted_metrics():
    Usage:
    USGSGage$get_predicted_metrics()

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
    Usage:
    USGSGage$clone(deep = FALSE)
    Arguments:
    deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

## **Index**

```
*Topic datasets
     flow_metrics, 3
ffcAPIClient, 2
FFCProcessor, 3
flow_metrics, 3
{\tt get\_comid\_for\_lon\_lat, 4}
get_comid_for_usgs_gage, 4
get_ffc_results_for_df, 2, 5
{\tt get\_ffc\_results\_for\_usgs\_gage}, {\tt 5}
{\tt get\_predicted\_flow\_metrics}, {\tt 6}
{\tt get\_results\_as\_df}, {\color{red} 6}
get_results_for_name, 6
get_token, 7
get_usgs_gage_data, 7
{\tt make\_flow\_json, 7}
make_json, 8
merge_list, 8
plot_drh, 8
process_data, 9
set_token, 9
USGSGage, 9
```