Import and Export of Spectra Files

Vignette for the R package hyperSpec

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Consistent naming of file import functions in version >= 0.99

From now on, all import functions have names starting with read.. All functions previously named scan.* have been renamed accordingly.

Supported File Formats

hyperSpec supports a number of file formats relevant for different types of spectroscopy. This is naturally only a subset of the file formats produced by different spectroscopic equipment. If you use hyperSpec with data formats not mentioned in this document, please send an email to Claudia Beleites <chemometrie@beleites.de>, so that this document can be updated. The information should include

- The type of spectroscopy
- Spectrometer model, manufacturer, and software
- The "native" file format (including a sample file)
- Description of relevant procedures to convert the file
- R code to import the data together with an example file that can actually be read by R.
- Documentation, particularly the description of the data format

If you need help finding out how to import your data, please search and eventually ask on Stack-exchange with tags [r] and [spectroscopy]. While I requiarly check these tags, consider dropping ma Claudia Beleites <chemometrie@beleites.de>an email in addition.

Reproducing the Examples in this Vignette

The source code of this vignette including the spectra files (via git-lfs) are available at *hyperSpec*'s github page: https://github.com/cbeleites/hyperSpec/tree/master/Vignettes/fileio Note that some definitions are in file vignettes.defs.

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1. Introduction

This document describes how spectra can be imported into *hyperSpec* objects. Some possibilities to export *hyperSpec* objects as files are mentioned, too.

The most basic funtion to create *hyperSpec* objects is **new** ("hyperSpec") (section 2). It makes a *hyperSpec* object from data already in R's workspace. Thus, once the spectra are imported into R, conversion to *hyperSpec* objects is straightforward.

In addition, hyperSpec comes with predifined import functions for different data formats. This document divides the discussion into dealing with ASCII files (section 4, p. 5) and binary file formats (section 5, p. 9). If data export for the respective format is possible, it is discussed in the same sections. As sometimes the actual data written by the spectrometer software exhibits peculiarities, hyperSpec offers several specialized import functions. These are in general named after the data format followed by the manufacturer (e. g. read.ENVI.Nicolet).

Overview lists of the directly supported file formats are in the appendix: sorted by file format (appendix A, p. 25), manufacturer (appendix B, p. 27), and by spectroscopy (appendix C, p. 30).

2. Creating a hyperSpec object with new

To create a hyperSpec object from data in R's workspace, use:

> spc <- new ("hyperSpec", spc, wavelength, data, labels)

With the arguments:

spc the spectra matrix (may also be given as matrix inside column \$spc of data)

wavelength the wavelength axis vector

data the extra data (possibly already including the spectra matrix in column spc)

a list with the proper labels. Do not forget the wavelength axis label in \$.wavelength and the spectral intensity axis label in \$spc.

Thus, once your data is in R's workspace, creating a hyperSpec object is easy. I suggest wrapping the code to import your data and the line joining it into a hyperSpec object by your own import function. You are more than welcome to contribute such import code to hyperSpec. Secion 7, (p. 19) discusses examples of custom import functions.

2.1. Creating a hyperSpec Object from a Data Matrix (Spectra Matrix)

As spectra matices are the internal format of hyperSpec, the constructor can directly be used:

> spc <- new ("hyperSpec", spc, wavelength, data, labels)

2.2. Creating a hyperSpec Object from a Data Cube (Spectra Array)

Roberto Moscetti asked how to convert a hyperspectral data cube into a hyperSpec object:

```
The problem is that I have a hypercube with the following dimensions: 67 \times 41 \times 256 \ y = 67 \ x = 41
wavelengths = 256
```

I do not know the way to import the hypercube.

Data cubes (i.e. 3-dimensional arrays of spectral data) result from spectal imaging measurements, where spectra are supplied for each pixel of an $px.x \times px.y$ imaging area. They have 3 directions, usually x, y, and the spectral dimension.

The solution is to convert the array into a spectra matrix and have separate x and y coordinates.

Assume data is the data cube, and x, y and w1 hold vectors with the proper x and y coordinates and the wavelengths:

```
> data <- array (1 : 24, 4 : 2)
> wl <- c (550, 630)
> x <- c (1000, 1200, 1400)
> y <- c (1800, 1600, 1400, 1200)
> data
, , 1
    [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]
      1 5 9
[2,]
       2
            6
                10
[3,]
       3
            7
                11
[4,]
       4
            8
               12
, , 2
     [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]
      13
           17
[2,]
      14
                22
           18
[3,]
      15
           19
                23
[4,]
      16
           20
                24
```

Such data can be converted into a *hyperSpec* object by:

```
> d <- dim (data)
> dim (data) <- c (d [1] * d [2], d [3])
> x <- rep (x, each = d [1])
> y <- rep (y, d [2])
> spectra <- new ("hyperSpec", spc = data,
+ data = data.frame (x, y), wavelength = wl)</pre>
```

If no proper coordinates (vectors x, y and w1) are available, they can be left out. In the case of x and y, map plotting will then be impossible, missing wavelengths will be replaced by column indices counting from 1 to d [3] automatically. Of course, such sequences (the row/column/pixel numbers) can be used instead of the original x and y as well:

```
> y <- seq_len (d [1])
> x <- seq_len (d [2])
```

Data cubes often come from spectral imaging systems that use an "image" coordinate system counting y from top to bottom. Note that this should accounted for in the decreasing order of the original y vector.

3. Reading Multiple files into one hyperSpec object

Many of the function described below will work on one file, even though derived functions such as read.spc.KaiserMap (see section 6.5.2, p. 16) may take care of measurements consisting of multiple files.

Usually, the most convenient way to import multiple files into one *hyperSpec* object is reading all files into a list of *hyperSpec* objects, and then collapseing this list into a single *hyperSpec* object:

```
> files <- Sys.glob ("spc.Kaisermap/*.spc")</pre>
> files <- files [seq (1, length (files), by = 2)] # import low wavenumber region only
> spc <- lapply (files, read.spc)
> length (spc)
[1] 54
> spc [[1]]
hyperSpec object
   1 spectra
   4 data columns
   1340 data points / spectrum
wavelength: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 2 ... 1340
data: (1 rows x 4 columns)
   1. z: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
   2. z.end: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
   3. spc: Counts [matrix1340] 2782.7 2229.8 ... 932.02
   4. filename: filename [character] spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc
> spc <- collapse (spc)
> spc
hyperSpec object
   54 spectra
   4 data columns
   1340 data points / spectrum
wavelength: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 2 ... 1340
data: (54 rows x 4 columns)
   1. z: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 1 ... 1 2. z.end: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 1 ... 1
   3. spc: Counts [matrix1340] 2782.7 2678.6 ... 789.49
   4. filename: filename [character] spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVIK.spc ... spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVXB.spc
```

Note that in this particular case, the spectra are more efficiently read by read.spc.KaiserMap (see section 6.5.2, p. 16).

If you regularly import huge maps or images, writing a customized import function is highly encouraged. You may gain speed and memory by using the internal workhorse functions for the file import. In that case, please contact the package maintainer (Claudia Beleites <chemometrie@beleites.de>) for advise (contributions to hyperSpec are welcome and all authors are listed appropriately in the function help page's author section).

4. ASCII files

Currently, hyperSpec provides two functions for general ASCII data import:

```
read.txt.long imports long format ASCII files, i.e. one intensity value per row
read.txt.wide imports wide format ASCII files, i.e. one spectrum per row
```

The import functions immediately return a hyperSpec object.

Internally, they use read.table, a very powerful ASCII import function. R supplies another ASCII import function, scan. scan imports numeric data matrices and is faster than read.table, but cannot import column names. If your data does not contain a header or it is not important and can safely be skipped, you may want to import your data using scan.

Note that R allows to use a variety of compressed file formats directly as ASCII files (for example, see section 6.6.1 on p. 16). Also, both read.txt.long and read.txt.wide accept connections instead of file names.

4.1. ASCII files with samples in columns

Richard Pena asked about importing another ASCII file type:

Triazine5_31.txt file corresponds to X ray powder diffraction data (Bruker AXS). The native files data ".raw" are read with EVA software then they are converted into .uxd file with the File Exchange software (Bruker AXS). The .uxd file are opened with Excel software and saved as .txt file, csv file (ChemoSpec) or xls.

The first and following columns corresponds to the angle diffraction and the intensity values of samples respectively.

This file thus differs from the ASCII formats discussed above in that the samples are actually in columns whereas *hyperSpec* expects them to be in rows. The header line gives the name of the sample. Import is straightforward, just the spectra matrix needs to be transposed to make a *hyperSpec* object:

```
> file <- read.table ("txt.t/Triazine 5_31.txt", header = TRUE, dec = ",", sep = "\t")</pre>
> triazine <- new ("hyperSpec", wavelength = file [,1], spc = t (file [,-1]),</pre>
                     data = data.frame (sample = colnames (file [, -1])),
                     labels = list (.wavelength = expression (2 * theta / degree),
                                    spc = "I / a.u."))
> triazine
hyperSpec object
   25 spectra
   2 data columns
   1759 data points / spectrum
wavelength: 2 * theta/degree [numeric] 5.0025 5.0173 ... 31.004
data: (25 rows x 2 columns)
   1. sample: [factor] DIV1208200 DIV1208300 ... VCA0106703
   2. spc: I / a.u. [matrix1759] 92 96 ... 163
> plot (triazine [1])
    9009
    2000
               10 12 14
                           18 20
                                 22 24 26 28
                        16
                          2θ/°
```

Witec also saves ASCII data with spectra in columns (Export \rightarrow Table), see 6.9.

4.2. JCAMP-DX

Limited import of JCAMP-DX files v. 4.24 [1] is available in function read.jdx. These files can contain multiple spectra, supported data formats are tabular XY..XY and X++(Y..Y).

```
> read.jdx ("jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx", encoding = "latin1", keys.hdr2data=TRUE)
hyperSpec object
   44 spectra
   12 data columns
   3401 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 60.05 61.05 ... 548.3
data: (44 rows x 12 columns)
   1. spc: [matrix3401] 3294 NA ... 90 + NA
   2. file: [factor] jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx ... jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx
   3. title: [factor] 1 2 ... 44
   4. mw: [numeric] 261 249 ... 382
   5. molform: [factor] C11 H27 N O2 Si2 C9 H23 N O3 Si2 ... C25 H50 O2
   6. casregistryno: [factor] 72 - 18 - 4 56 - 45 - 1 ... 2442 - 49 - 1
   7. datatype: [factor] Mass Spectrum Mass Spectrum ... Mass Spectrum
   8. sampledescription: [factr] ...\11-12-12\pAS+OS Lauf1.qgd"\n20000 Da/s, ET 30ms, m/z 60-550\nPeak-Apex-Spektrum, H:
   9. casname: [factor] L-Valin N,O-TMS2
                                              L-Serin 0,0'-TMS2 (X) ... Methyltetracosanoat (LRI C24)
   10. $retentionindex: [numeric] 884 925 ... 2400
   11. .format: [factor] (XY..XY) (XY..XY) ... (XY..XY)
   12. filename: filename [character] jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx ... jcamp-dx/shimadzu.jdx
> read.jdx ("jcamp-dx/virgilio.jdx")
hyperSpec object
   1 spectra
   2 data columns
   1216 data points / spectrum
wavelength: tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] 3030 3028 ... 600
data: (1 rows x 2 columns)
   1. spc: A [matrix1216] -3.1244e-05 0.0000e+00 ... 0
   2. filename: filename [character] jcamp-dx/virgilio.jdx
The last file has a slight inconsistenty between its meta data and spectroscopic data, causing a
```

The last file has a slight inconsistenty between its meta data and spectroscopic data, causing a message. However, the difference is minute compared to the intensities. If this is known in advance, an appropriate tolerance can be chosen:

```
> read.jdx ("jcamp-dx/virgilio.jdx", ytol = 1e-9)
hyperSpec object
   1 spectra
   2 data columns
   1216 data points / spectrum
wavelength: tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] 3030 3028 ... 600
data: (1 rows x 2 columns)
   1. spc: A [matrix1216] -3.1244e-05 0.0000e+00 ... 0
   2. filename: filename [character] jcamp-dx/virgilio.jdx
```

Note

read.jdx.Shimadzu has been removed.

Note

An R package dedicated to importing JCAMP-DX is currently under development by Bryan Hanson (https://github.com/bryanhanson/readJDX). hyperSpec will use that package once it is available on CRAN. Maintenance of hyperSpec's read.jdx function is limited from now on in favor of Bryan's pacakage.

4.3. Basic Atomic Spectra from NIST Tables

The NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology) has published a data base of basic atomic emission spectra (see http://physics.nist.gov/PhysRefData/Handbook/periodictable.htm)[?] with emission lines tabulated in ASCII (HTML) files.

Here's an example how to extract the data of the Hg strong lines file:

```
> file <- readLines("NIST/mercurytable2.htm")</pre>
> #file <- readLines("http://physics.nist.gov/PhysRefData/Handbook/Tables/mercurytable2.htm")
> file <- file [- (1 : grep ("Intensity.*Wavelength", file) - 1)]
> file <- file [1 : (grep ("</pre>", file) [1] - 1)]
> file <- gsub ("<[^>]*>", "", file)
> file <- file [! grepl ("^[[:space:]]+$", file)]</pre>
> colnames <- file [1]
> colnames <- gsub ("[[:space:]][[:space:]]+", "\t", file [1])
> colnames <- strsplit (colnames, "\t")[[1]]</pre>
> if (! all (colnames == c ("Intensity", "Wavelength (Å)", "Spectrum", "Ref. ")))
    stop ("file format changed!")
> tablestart <- grep ("^[[:blank:]]*[[:alpha:]]+$", file) + 1</pre>
            <- c (tablestart [-1] - 2, length (file))
> tables <- list ()
> for (t in seq_along (tablestart)){
    tmp <- file [tablestart [t] : tableend [t]]</pre>
    tables [[t]] <- read.fwf (textConnection (tmp), c (5, 8, 12, 15, 9))
    \verb|colnames| (tables [[t]]) <- c("Intensity", "persistent", "Wavelength", "Spectrum", "Ref. ")| \\
    tables [[t]]$type <- gsub ("[[:space:]]", "", file [tablestart [t] - 1])
+ }
> tables <- do.call (rbind, tables)
> levels (tables$Spectrum) <- gsub (" ", "", levels (tables$Spectrum))
> Hg.AES <- list ()
> for (s in levels (tables$Spectrum))
    Hg.AES [[s]] <- new ("hyperSpec", wavelength = tables$Wavelength [tables$Spectrum == s],</pre>
                          spc = tables$Intensity [tables$Spectrum == s],
                          data = data.frame (Spectrum = s),
                          label = list (.wavelength = expression (lambda / ring (A)),
                                         spc = "I"))
> plot (collapse (Hg.AES), lines.args = list (type = "h"), col = 1 : 2)
```

4.4. Further ASCII Formats

Further import filters are provided for manufacturer/software specific ASCII formats, see table A (p. 25) and section 6.1 (p. 14).

4.5. ASCII Export

ASCII export can be done in wide and long format using write.txt.long and write.txt.wide. If you need a specific header or footer, use R's functions for writing files: write.table, write, cat and so on offer fine-grained control of writing ASCII files.

5. Binary file formats

5.1. Matlab Files

Matlab files can be read and written using the package R.matlab[2], which is available at CRAN and can be installed by install.packages ("R.matlab").

```
spc.mat <- readMat ("spectra.mat")</pre>
```

If the .mat file was saved with compression, the additional package *Rcompression* is needed. It can be installed from omegahat:

```
install.packages("Rcompression", repos = "http://www.omegahat.org/R")
```

See the documentation of R.matlab for more details and possibly needed further packages.

readMat imports the .mat file's contents as a list. The variables in the .mat file are properly named elements of the list. The *hyperSpec* object can be created using new, see 2 (p. 3).

Again, you probably want to wrap the import of your matlab files into a function.

5.1.1. Matlab Export

R.matlab's function writeMat can be used to write R objects into .mat files. To save an hyperSpec object x for use in Matlab, you most likely want to save:

- the wavelength axis as obtained by wl (x),
- the spectra matrix as obtained by x [[]], and
- possibly also the extra data as obtained by x\$...
- as well as the axis labels labels (x).
- Alternatively, x\$. yields the extra data together with the spectra matrix.

However, it may be convenient to transform the saved data according to how it is needed in Matlab. The functions as.long.df and as.wide.df may prove useful for reshaping the data.

5.1.2. Import of Matlab files written by Cytospec

A custom import function for .mat files written by Cytospec is available:

Note that Cytospec files can contain multiple versions of the data, the so-called blocks. The block to be read can be specified with the block argument. TRUE will read all blocks into a list:

```
> read.mat.Cytospec ("mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat", blocks = TRUE)
```

```
[[1]]
hyperSpec object
55 spectra
5 data columns
981 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 499.12 501.77 ... 3100
data: (55 rows x 5 columns)
1. x: [integer] 4 5 ... 7
2. y: [integer] 1 1 ... 11
3. block: [integer] 1 1 ... 1
4. spc: [matrix981] 2112.9 2114.3 ... 2323.3
5. filename: filename [character] mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat ... mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat
```

```
hyperSpec object
   55 spectra
   5 data columns
   981 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 499.12 501.77 ... 3100
data: (55 rows x 5 columns)
   1. x: [integer] 4 5 ... 7
   2. y: [integer] 1 1 ... 11
   3. block: [integer] 2 2 ... 2
   4. spc: [matrix981] 58.472 59.024 ... 262.5
   5. filename: filename [character] mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat ... mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat
otherwise, select a block:
> read.mat.Cytospec ("mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat", blocks = 1)
   55 spectra
   5 data columns
   981 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 499.12 501.77 ... 3100
data: (55 rows x 5 columns)
   1. x: [integer] 4 5 ... 7 2. y: [integer] 1 1 ... 11
   3. block: [integer] 1 1 ... 1
   4. spc: [matrix981] 2112.9 2114.3 ... 2323.3
   5. filename: filename [character] mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat ... mat.cytospec/cytospec.mat
```

read.cytomat is now defunct.

read.cytomat has been renamed to read.mat.Cytospec to be more consistent with the general naming scheme of the file import functions.

Please use read.mat.Cytospec instead.

5.2. ENVI Files

ENVI files are binary data accompanied by an ASCII header file. *hyperSpec*'s function read.ENVI can be used to import them. Usually, the header file name is the same as the binary data file name with the suffix replaced by .hdr. Otherwise, the header file name can be given via parameter *headerfile*.

As we experienced missing header files (Bruker's Opus software frequently produced header files without any content), the data that would usually be read from the header file can also be handed to read. ENVI as a list in parameter *header*. Arguments given in *header* replace corresponding entries of the header file. The help page gives details on what elements the list should contain, see also the discussion of ENVI files written by Bruker's OPUS software (section 6.2, p. 14).

Here is how to use read. ENVI:

```
> spc <- read.ENVI ("ENVI/example2.img")
> spc

hyperSpec object
    0 spectra
    3 data columns
    1738 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 649.90 651.83 ... 3999.7
data: (0 rows x 3 columns)
    1. x: [integer]
    2. y: [integer]
    3. spc: [matrix1738]
```

Please see also the manufacturer specific notes in section 6.1, p. 14.

Unit Tests

```
read.ENVI: ..
```

5.2.1. ENVI Export

Use package caTools or rqdal with GDAL for writing ENVI files.

5.3. spc Files

Thermo Galactic's .spc file format can be imported by read.spc.

Official File Format Documentation

The specification used to be available at Thermo Scientific. Anyone knowing where it moved please contact me (Claudia Beleites <chemometrie@beleites.de>) — I'm looking for a reasonably official website (i.e. at Thermo) rather than some random site with a copy.

A variety of sub-formats exists. *hyperSpec*'s import function read.spc does *not* support the old file format that was used before 1996. In addition, no test data with *w planes* was available — thus the import of such files could not be tested. If you come across such files, please contact the package maintainer (Claudia Beleites <chemometrie@beleites.de>).

The header and subheader blocks of spc files store additional information of pre-defined types (see the file format specification[3]). Further information can be stored in the so-called log block at the end of the file, and should be in a key-value format (although even the official example files do not always). This information is often useful (Kaiser's Hologram software e.g. stores the stage position in the log block).

read.spc has four arguments that allow fine-grained control of storing such information in the hyperSpec object:

keys.hdr2data parameters from the spc file and subfile headers that should become extra data columns

keys.log2data parameters from the spc file log block that should become extra data columns

keys.*2log parameters are deprecated because the logbook itself is depecated

The value of these arguments can either be logical (amounting to either use all or none of the information in the file) or a character vector giving the names of the parameters that should be used. Note that the header file field names are always lowercase.

Here's how to find out what extra information could be read from the header and log:

> read.spc ("spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc", keys.hdr2data = TRUE)

```
hyperSpec object
1 spectra
34 data columns
1340 data points / spectrum
wavelength: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 2 ... 1340
data: (1 rows x 34 columns)
1. z: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
2. z.end: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
```

```
3. ftflgs: [matrix8] FALSE FALSE ... FALSE
   4. fexper: [factor] General
   5. fexp: [integer] -128
   6. fnpts: [integer] 1340
   7. ffirst: [numeric] 1
   8. flast: [numeric] 1340
   9. fnsub: [integer] 1
   10. fxtype: [character] x/"a. u."
   11. fytype: [character] Counts
   12. fztype: [character] x/"a. u."
13. fpost: [integer] 0
   14. fdate: [POSIXct, POSIXt] 1253590860
   15. fres: [character]
   16. fsource: [character]
   17. fspare: [matrix8] 0 0 ... 0
   18. fcmnt: [character]
   19. fcatxt: [character]
   20. flogoff: [integer] 5904
   21. fmods: [integer] 0
   22. fprocs: [integer] 0
23. flevel: [integer] 0
   24. fsampin: [integer] 0
   25. ffactor: [numeric] 0
26. fmethod: [character]
   27. fzinc: [numeric] 0
   28. fwplanes: [integer] 0
   29. fwinc: [numeric] 0
   30. fwtype: [character] x/"a. u."
   31. .last.read: [numeric] 512
   32. subfiledir: [numeric] 0
   33. spc: Counts [matrix1340] 2782.7 2229.8 ... 932.02
   34. filename: filename [character] spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc
> read.spc ("spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc", keys.log2data = TRUE)
hyperSpec object
   1 spectra
   55 data columns
   1340 data points / spectrum
wavelength: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1 2 ... 1340
data: (1 rows x 55 columns)
   1. z: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
   2. z.end: x/"a. u." [numeric] 1
   3. Grams_File_Name: [character] d:\beleites\ebro\Map 20090921 180944\ebroAVII.spc
   4. HoloGRAMS_File_Name: [character] Unknown
   5. Acquisition_Date_Time: [character] 22.09.2009 03:41:30
   6. Lambda: [character] Low
   7. Accuracy_Mode: [character] High Speed
   8. Dark_subtracted: [character] Yes
   9. Dark_File_Name: [character] ebroAVGC.drk
   10. Auto_New_Dark_Curve: [character] No
   11. Background_subtracted: [character] No
   12. Background_File_Name: [character] <None>
   13. Intensity_Corrected: [character] Yes
   14. Intensity_Calibration_Available: [character] Yes
   15. Intensity_Correction_File: [character] c:\hologram\calibration\intensity\20090609aa.icl
   16. Intensity_Correction_Threshold: [character] 0,00%
   17. Intensity_Source_Correction: [character] No
   18. Intensity_Source_Correction_File: [character] <None>
   19. Comment: [character] <None>
   20. Cosmic_Ray_Filtering: [character] Yes
   21. Total_Cosmic_Count: [character] 38
   22. Exposure_Length: [character] 10000
   23. Accumulations: [character] 1
   24. Accumulation_Method: [character] Averaged
   25. Calibration_File: [character] C:\HoloGRAM\calibration\Wavelength\20090716ab.wcl
```

```
26. Comment.1: [character]
   27. Temperature_Status: [character] At temperature
   28. Temperature: [character] -85,50
   29. HoloGRAMS_File_Version: [character] 4.1
   30. File_Type: [character] Hol
   31. Operator: [character] unknown
   32. Stage_X_Position: [character] 360
33. Stage_Y_Position: [character] 1100
   34. Stage_Z_Position: [character] -16
   35. AutoFocusUsed: [character] Nein
   36. WLInterval: [character] 0,12
   37. CalInterval: [character] 0,90
   38. FFTFillFactor: [character] None
   39. FFTApT: [character] None
   40. SamplingMethod: [character] Linear
   41. Has_MultiPlex_Laser: [character] No
   42. External_Trigger: [character] No 43. Laser_Wavelength: [character] 785,21
   44. Default_Laser_Wavelength: [character] 785,21
   45. Laser_Tracking: [character] False
   46. Laser_Block_Active: [character] No
   47. Pixel_Fill_minimum: [character] 26
   48. Pixel_Fill_maximum: [character] 16762
   49. Binning_Start: [character] 24
   50. Binning_End: [character] 41
   51. NumPoints: [character] 1340
   52. First: [character] 1,000
   53. last: [character] 1340,000
   54. spc: Counts [matrix1340] 2782.7 2229.8 ... 932.02
   55. filename: filename [character] spc.Kaisermap/ebroAVII.spc
.spc files may contain multiple spectra that do not share a common wavelength axis. In this case,
read.spc returns a list of hyperSpec objects with one spectrum each. collapse may be used to
combine this list into one hyperSpec object:
> barbiturates <- read.spc ("spc/BARBITUATES.SPC")</pre>
> save (barbiturates, file = "barbiturates.rda")
> class (barbiturates)
[1] "list"
> length (barbiturates)
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> barbiturates <- do.call (collapse, barbiturates)</pre>
> barbiturates <- orderwl (barbiturates)
> barbiturates
hyperSpec object
   286 spectra
   4 data columns
   375 data points / spectrum
wavelength: frac(m, z)/frac(u, e) [numeric] 25.95 26.05 ... 244.05
data: (286 rows x 4 columns)
   1. z: t/min [numeric] 4.0272 4.0341 ... 5.9978
   2. z.end: t/min [numeric] 4.0272 4.0341 ... 5.9978
   3. spc: I/"a. u." [matrix375] NA NA ... NA + NA
   4. filename: filename [character] spc/BARBITUATES.SPC spc/BARBITUATES.SPC ... spc/BARBITUATES.SPC
> barbiturates [[1:10, , 25 ~ 30]]
      25.95 26.05 26.15 26.95 27.05 27.15 28.05 28.15 29.05 29.15 29.95
 [1,]
         NA
             NA
                  NA
                           NA 562
                                     NA
                                            NA 11511 6146
                                                               NA
 [2,]
         NA
               NA
                     NA
                           NA
                                NA
                                      618 10151
                                                  NA 5040
```

```
NA 10722
 [3,]
          NA
                NA
                       NA
                              NA
                                    638
                                           NA
                                                              5253
                                                                       NA
                                                                              NA
 Γ4.1
                                           NA 10548
                NA
                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                                        NA
                                                              5865
                                                                             NA
          NA
                                                                       NA
 [5,]
          NA
                NA
                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                           NA
                                                  NA 10519
                                                              4664
                                                                       NA
                                                                             NA
 [6,]
          NA
                NA
                       NA
                             796
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                                           NA 10519
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                                                              5110
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                                                                             ΝA
 [7,]
          NA
                NΑ
                       NΑ
                              NΑ
                                     NΑ
                                           NA 10096
                                                         NΑ
                                                              4769
                                                                       NΑ
                                                                            907
                                                  NA 10929
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                NA
                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                                              5400
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                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                           NA 10235
                                                         NA
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 [9.]
          NA
                NA
[10,]
          NA
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                       NA
                              NA
                                     NA
                                           NA
                                                  NA 10663
                                                              4690
                                                                       NA
                                                                            799
```

Unit Tests

Deriving manufacturer specific import filters. Please note that future changes inside the read.spc function are likely to occur. However, if you just post-process the *hyperSpec* object returned by read.spc, you should be fine.

6. Manufacturer-Specific Discussion of File Import

6.1. Manufacturer Specific Import Functions

Many spectrometer manufacturers provide a function to export their spectra into ASCII files. The functions discussed above are written in a very general way, and are highly customizable. I recommend wrapping these calls with the appropriate settings for your spectra format in an import function. Please consider contributing such import filters to *hyperSpec*: send me the documented code (for details see the box at the beginning of this document). If you are able to import data of any format not mentioned in this document (even without the need of new converters), please let me know (details again in the box at the beginning of this document).

6.2. Bruker FT-IR Imaging

We use read.ENVI to import IR-Images collected with a Bruker Hyperion spectrometer with OPUS software. As mentioned above, the header files are frequently empty. We found the necessary information to be:

```
> header <- list (samples = 64 * no.images.in.row,
+ lines = 64 * no.images.in.column,
+ bands = no.data.points.per.spectrum,
+ 'data type' = 4,
+ interleave = "bip")</pre>
```

No spatial information is given in the ENVI header (if written). The lateral coordinates can be setup by specifying origin and pixel size for x and y directions. For details please see the help page.

The proprietary file format of the Opus software is not yet supported.

6.3. Nicolet FT-IR Imaging

Also Nicolet saves imaging data in ENVI files. These files use some non-standard keywords in the header file that should allow to reconstruct the lateral coordinates as well as the wavelength axes and units for wavelength and intensity axis. *hyperSpec* has a specialized function read.ENVI.Nicolet that uses these header entries.

It seems that the position of the first spectrum is recorded in µm, while the pixel size is in mm. Thus a flag *nicolet.correction* is provided that divides the pixel size by 1000. Alternatively, the correct offset and pixel size values may be given as function arguments.

```
> spc <- read.ENVI.Nicolet ("ENVI/example2.img", nicolet.correction = TRUE)
> spc ## dummy sample with all intensities zero
hyperSpec object
   0 spectra
   3 data columns
   1738 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 649.90 651.83 ... 3999.7
data: (0 rows x 3 columns)
   1. x: [numeric]
   2. y: [numeric]
   3. spc: [matrix1738]
```

6.4. Varian/Agilent FT-IR Imaging

Agilent (Varian) uses a variant of ENVI (with binary header).

6.5. Kaiser Optical Systems Raman

Spectra obtained using Kaiser's Hologram software can be saved either in their own .hol format and imported into Matlab (from where the data may be written to a .mat file readable by R.matlab's readMat. Hologram can also write ASCII files and .spc files. We found working with .spc files the best option.

The spectra are usually interpolated by Hologram to an evenly spaced wavelength (or $\Delta \tilde{\nu}$) axis unless the spectra are saved in a by-pixel manner. In this case, the full spectra consist of two files with consecutive file names: one for the low and one for the high wavenumber region. See the example for .spc import.

6.5.1. Kaiser Optical Systems ASCII Files

The ASCII files are long format that can be imported by read.txt.long (see section 4, p. 5).

We experienced two different problems with these files:

- 1. If the instrument computer's locale is set so that also the decimal separator is a comma, commas are used both as decimal and as column separator.
- 2. Values with a decimal fraction of 0 are written with decimal separator but no further digits (e.g. 2,). This may be a problem for certain conversion functions (read.table works fine, though).

Thus care must be taken:

```
> ## 1. import as character
> tmp <- scan ("txt.Kaiser/test-lo-4.txt", what = rep ("character",4), sep = ",")
> tmp <- matrix (tmp, nrow = 4)
> ## 2. concatenate every two columns by a dot
> wl <- apply (tmp [1:2, ], 2, paste, collapse = '.')
> spc <- apply (tmp [3:4, ], 2, paste, collapse = '.')
> ## 3. convert to numeric and create hyperSpec object
> spc <- new ("hyperSpec", spc = as.numeric (spc), wavelength = as.numeric (wl))</pre>
```

6.5.2. Kaiser Optical Systems Raman Maps

hyperSpec provides the function read.spc.KaiserMap to easily import spatial collections of .spc files written by Kaiser's Hologram software. The filenames of all .spc files to be read into one hyperSpec object can be provided either as a character vector or as a wildcard expression (e.g. "path/to/files/*.spc").

The data for the following example was saved with wavelength axis being camera pixels rather than Raman shift. Thus two files for each spectrum were saved by Hologram. Thus, a file name pattern is difficult to give and a vector of file names is used instead:

```
> files <- Sys.glob ("spc.Kaisermap/*.spc")
> spc.low <- read.spc.KaiserMap (files [seq (1, length (files), by = 2)])
> spc.high <- read.spc.KaiserMap (files [seq (2, length (files), by = 2)])
> wl (spc.high) <- wl (spc.high) + 1340
> spc

hyperSpec object
    1 spectra
    1 data columns
    2110 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 121.5 122.4 ... 2019.6
data: (1 rows x 1 columns)
    1. spc: [matrix2110] 1202.51 770.35 ... 141.01
```

6.6. Renishaw Raman

Renishaw's Wire software comes with an file format converter. This program can produce a long ASCII format, .spc, or .jdx files.

We experienced that the conversion to .spc is *not* fully reliable: maps were saved as depth profile, loosing all spatial information. In addition, an evenly spaced wavelength axis was produced, although this was de-selected in the converter. We therefore recommend using the ASCII format. Otherwise the import using read.spc worked.

6.6.1. Renishaw ASCII data

An optimized import function for the ASCII files is available: read.txt.Renishaw. The file may be compressed via gzip, bzip2, xz or lzma. zip compressed files are read via read.zip.Renishaw. The ASCII files can easily become very large, particularly with linefocus- or streamline imaging. read.txt.Renishaw provides two mechanisms to avoid running out of memory during data import. The file may be imported in chunks of a given number of lines (see the last example). read.txt.Renishaw can calculate the correct number of wavelengths (i.e. data points per spectrum) if the system command wc is available on your computer.

In addition, the processing of the long ASCII format into the spectra matrix is done by reshaping the vector of intensities into a matrix. This process does not allow any missing values in the data. Therefore it is not possible to import multi-spectra files with individually "zapped" spectra using read.txt.Renishaw.

The second argument to read.txt.Renishaw decides what type of experiment is imported. Supported types are:

```
"xyspc" maps, images, multiple spectra with x and y coordinates (default)
"spc" single spectrum
```

```
"depth", "zspc" depth series
"ts"
                  time series
Instead of a file name, read.txt.Renishaw accepts also a connection.
> paracetamol <- read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/paracetamol.txt", "spc")
> paracetamol
hyperSpec object
   1 spectra
   2 data columns
   4064 data points / spectrum
wavelength: Delta * tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] 96.787 98.143 ... 3200.1
data: (1 rows x 2 columns)
   1. spc: I / a.u. [matrix4064] 2056.5 2224.8 ... 299.23
   2. filename: filename [character] txt.Renishaw/paracetamol.txt
> save (paracetamol, file = "paracetamol.rda")
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/laser.txt.gz", "ts")
hyperSpec object
   84 spectra
   3 data columns
   140 data points / spectrum
wavelength: Delta * tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] -199.08 -196.90 ... 99.934
data: (84 rows x 3 columns)
   1. t: t / s [numeric] 0 2 ... 5722
   2. spc: I / a.u. [matrix140] 29.801 32.093 ... 81.3
   3. filename: filename [character] txt.Renishaw/laser.txt.gz txt.Renishaw/laser.txt.gz ... txt.Renishaw/laser.txt.gz
Very large files can be read in chunks to save memory:
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.txt", nlines = 1e5, nspc = 875)
hyperSpec object
   875 spectra
   4 data columns
   1272 data points / spectrum
wavelength: Delta * tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] 601.62 602.66 ... 1802.2
data: (875 rows x 4 columns)
   1. y: y/(mu * m) [numeric] -4.77 -4.77 ... 19.23
   2. x: x/(mu * m) [numeric] -11.55 -10.55 ... 22.45
   3. spc: I / a.u. [matrix1272] 501.72 518.53 ... 151.92 + NA
   4. filename: filename [character] txt.Renishaw/chondro.txt txt.Renishaw/chondro.txt ... txt.Renishaw/chondro.txt
R accepts a variety of compressed file formats for ASCII files:
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.gz")
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.xz")
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.lzma")
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.gz")
> read.txt.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.bz2")
> read.zip.Renishaw ("txt.Renishaw/chondro.zip")
6.7. Horiba / Jobin Yvon (e.g. LabRAM)
Horiba's Labspec software (e.g. LabRAM spectrometers) saves spectra in a wide ASCII format
which is read by read.txt.Horiba, e.g.:
> spc <- read.txt.Horiba ("txt.HoribaJobinYvon/ts.txt",
                         cols = list (t = "t / s", spc = "I / a.u.",
                            .wavelength = expression (Delta * tilde (nu) / cm^-1))
```

> spc

```
3 data columns
1024 data points / spectrum
wavelength: Delta * tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric] 2135.2 2133.3 ... -122.41
data: (100 rows x 3 columns)
1. t: t / s [numeric] 0.000 5.834 ... 566.77
2. spc: I / a.u. [matrix1024] 6244 6278 ... 117
```

3. filename: filename [character] txt.HoribaJobinYvon/ts.txt txt.HoribaJobinYvon/ts.txt ... txt.HoribaJobinYvon/ts.txt

Note that Labspec .txt files can contains lots of spectra with zero intensity: Labspec saves a complete rectangular grid even if only part of a map was measured. These spectra are by removed by default if option file.remove.emptyspc is TRUE (the default).

For convenience, functions to further wrappers to import maps (read.txt.Horiba.xy) and time series (read.txt.Horiba.t) are provided.

6.8. Andor Solis

hyperSpec object 100 spectra

Andor Solis exports ASCII files that can be read with read.asc.Andor:

```
> read.asc.Andor("asc.Andor/ASCII-Andor-Solis.asc")
```

```
hyperSpec object
5 spectra
2 data columns
63 data points / spectrum
wavelength: [numeric] 161.41 165.73 ... 423.65
data: (5 rows x 2 columns)
1. spc: [matrix63] 3404 3402 ... 3415
2. filename: filename [character] asc.Andor/ASCII-Andor-Solis.asc asc.Andor-Solis.asc asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.Andor-Solis.asc.
```

6.9. Witec

The Witec project software supports exporting spectra as Thermo Galactic .spc files.

```
> read.spc ("spc.Witec/Witec-timeseries.spc")
> read.spc ("spc.Witec/Witec-Map.spc")
```

.spc is in general the recommended format for *hyperSpec* import. For imaging data no spatial information for the set of spectra is provided (in version 2.10 this export option is not supported).

Imaging data (but also single spectra and time series) can be exported as ASCII X and Y files (Save ASCII X and Save ASCII Y, not supported in version 4). These can be read by read.dat.Witec:

```
> read.dat.Witec ("txt.Witec/Witec-timeseries-x.dat")
> read.dat.Witec (filex = "txt.Witec/Witec-Map-x.dat",
+ points.per.line = 5, lines.per.image = 5, type = "map")
```

Note that the Y data files also contain a wavelength information, but (at least Witec Project 2.10) this information is always wavelength in nm, not Raman shift in wavenumbers: this is provided by the X data file only.

Another option is Witec's txt table ASCII export (Export \rightarrow Table), which produces ASCII files with each row corresponding to one wavelength. The first column contains the wavelength axis, all further columns contain one spectrum each column. Such files can be read with read.txt.Witec:

```
> read.txt.Witec ("txt.Witec/Witec-timeseries_no.txt")
```

read.txt.Witec determines the number of wavelengths automaticallly.

Note that there are several Export Filter Options. Here you can determine, which units should be used for the export (see XUnits tab). In addition, it is possible to export two additional header lines containing information about spectra labels and units. Therefore parameters hdr.label and hdr.units have to be set properly. Otherwise, either an error will be displayed like

```
Error in scan(file, what, nmax, sep, dec, quote, skip, nlines, na.strings, :
    scan() expected 'a real', got 'rel.'
```

or the one or two wavelengths will be skipped.

Depending on the used export options the header files should look like:

```
with exported labels and units headerlines:
                              Time Series_000_Spec.Data 1(0) Time Series_000_Spec.Data 1(1)
X-Axis
rel. 1/cm
                               CCD cts
                                                              CCD cts
8.77367E+01
                               9.95000E+02
                                                               9.94000E+02
9.10310E+01
                               9.96000E+02
                                                               9.94000E+02
with exported labels headerline:
                              Time Series_000_Spec.Data 1(0) Time Series_000_Spec.Data 1(1)
X-Axis
8.77367E+01
                               9.95000E+02
                                                              9.94000E+02
9.10310E+01
                                                               9.94000E+02
                               9.96000E+02
9.43239E+01
                               9.92000E+02
                                                               9.92000E+02
with exported units headerline:
           CCD cts
rel. 1/cm
                        CCD cts
8.77367E+01 9.95000E+02 9.94000E+02
9.10310E+01 9.96000E+02 9.94000E+02
9.43239E+01 9.92000E+02 9.92000E+02
without headerline:
 87.737 995.000 994.000
 91.031 996.000 994.000
94.324 992.000 992.000
97.615 989.000 989.000
```

For imaging data set parameter *type* to "map". If the label header is exported, the spatial information can be extracted from this line. Otherwise, at least one, *points.per.line* or *lines.per.image*, has to be given manually, if not, a warning will be shown.

For line scans and z-stacks use type = "single" because the provided information are looking the same like for timeseries, so no further information can be extracted from the header files.

Since version 4 WITec Project offers the Graph ASCII export (Export \rightarrow Graph ASCII) which produces three ASCII files, named Header containing additional information, X-Axis containing the wavelength values and Y-Axis containing the spectra one spectrum in each column. Data exported in this way can be read with read.txt.Witec.Graph:

```
> read.txt.Witec.Graph ("txt.Witec/Witec-timeseries (Header).txt")
> read.txt.Witec.Graph ("txt.Witec/Witec-Map (Header).txt", type = "map")
> read.txt.Witec.Graph ("txt.Witec/nofilename (Header).txt", encoding = "latin1")
```

This function reads the spectra files automatically, if they are named properly and extracts additional information of the header file. As for the other Witec functions it is possible to read image data by by selecting type = "map". Line scans and z-stacks should be read as single spectra.

7. Writing your own Import Function

This section gives examples how to write import functions. The first example implements an import filter for an ASCII file format basically from scratch. The second example shows how to implement more details for an already existing import filter.

7.1. A new ASCII Import Function: read.txt.PerkinElmer

The raw spectra of the flu data set (see also the respective vignette) are in PerkinElmer's ASCII file format, one spectrum per file.

We need a function that automatically reads all files specified by a pattern, such as *.txt. In order to gain speed, the spectra matrix should be preallocated after the first file is read.

A short examination of the files (flu*.txt in directory txt.PerkinElmer) reveals that the actual spectrum starts at line 55, after a line containing #DATA. For now, no other information of the files is to be extracted. It is thus easier to skip the first 54 lines than searching for the line after #DATA.

A fully featured import function should support:

- Reading multiple files by giving a pattern
- hand further arguments to scan. This comes handy in case the function is used later to import other data types.
- Also skipping 54 lines would be a weird default, so we rather require it to be given explicitly.
- The same applies for the axis labels: they should default to reasonable settings for fluorescence spectra, but it should be possible to change them if needed.
- The usual log entry arguments should be supplied.
- A sanity check should be implemented: stop with an error if a file does not have the same wavelength axis as the others.
- If no file can be found, an empty *hyperSpec* object is a reasonable result: There is no need to stop with an error, but it is polite to issue an additional warning.
- Finally, hyperSpec does some optional common post-processing for all imported files such as attaching the filename (or connection description) to the hyperSpec object (column filename) and deleting empty spectra. These options can be globally switched on or off by options.

```
read.txt.PerkinElmer.R
read.txt.PerkinElmer <- function (files = stop ("filenames needed"), ..., label = list ()) {</pre>
  ## set default labels
 label <- modifyList (list (.wavelength = expression (lambda / nm),</pre>
                               spc = expression (I[f1] / "a.u.")),
  if (length (files) == 0){
    warning ("No files found.")
    return (new ("hyperSpec"))
  ## read the first file
 buffer <- matrix (scan (files [1], ...), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)
  ## first column gives the wavelength vector
 wavelength <- buffer [, 1]
  ## preallocate the spectra matrix:
 \mbox{\tt \#\#} one row per file x as many columns as the first file has
  spc <- matrix (ncol = nrow (buffer), nrow = length (files))</pre>
  ## the first file's data goes into the first row
  spc [1, ] <- buffer [, 2]
  ## now read the remaining files
  for (f in seq (along = files)[-1]) {}
    buffer <- matrix (scan (files [f], ...), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)</pre>
```

```
## check whether they have the same wavelength axis
if (! all.equal (buffer [, 1], wavelength))
    stop (paste(files [f], "has different wavelength axis."))

spc [f, ] <- buffer[, 2]
}

## make the hyperSpec object
spc <- new ("hyperSpec", wavelength = wavelength, spc = spc, label = label)

## consistent file import behaviour across import functions
hyperSpec:::.fileio.optional (spc, files)
}</pre>
```

Note how the labels are set. The label with the special name .wavelength corresponds to the wavelength axis, all data columns should have a label with the same name. The spectra are always in a data column called spc.

Thus,

```
> source ("read.txt.PerkinElmer.R")
> read.txt.PerkinElmer (Sys.glob("txt.PerkinElmer/flu?.txt"), skip = 54)
hyperSpec object
   6 spectra
   2 data columns
   181 data points / spectrum
wavelength: lambda/nm [numeric] 405.0 405.5 ... 495
data: (6 rows x 2 columns)
   1. spc: I[f1]/"a.u." [matrix181] 27.150 66.801 ... 294.65
   2. filename: filename [character] txt.PerkinElmer/flu1.txt txt.PerkinElmer/flu2.txt ... txt.PerkinElmer/flu6.txt
```

imports the spectra.

This function is not exported by *hyperSpec*: while it is already useful for importing files, it is not yet general enough to work immediately with new data, e.g. the the file header is completely ignored. Thus information like the excitation wavelength is lost.

7.2. Deriving a More Specific Function: read.ENVI.Nicolet

The function read. ENVI. Nicolet is a good example for a more specific import filter derived from a general filter for the respective file type. Nicolet FT-IR Imaging software saves some non-standard keywords in the header file of the ENVI data. These information can be used to reconstruct the x and y axes of the images. The units of the spectra are saved as well.

read.ENVI.Nicolet thus first adjusts the parameters for read.ENVI. Then read.ENVI does the main work of importing the file. The resulting *hyperSpec* object is post-processed according to the special header entries.

For using the function, see section 6.3 (p. 14).

```
read.ENVI.Nicolet.R

## TODO: get Makefile to care care of this if the version in pkg changes

read.ENVI.Nicolet <- function (file = stop ("read.ENVI: file name needed"), headerfile = NULL,

## the additional keywords to interprete must be read from headerfile
```

```
headerfile <- .find.ENVI.header (file, headerfile)
        keys <- readLines (headerfile)</pre>
        keys <- .read.ENVI.split.header (keys)</pre>
 keys <- keys [c ("description", "z plot titles", "pixel size")]</pre>
        header <- modifyList (keys, header)
        ## most work is done by read.ENVI
  spc <- read.ENVI (file = file, headerfile = headerfile, header = header, ...,</pre>
                    x = if (is.na(x)) 0 : 1 else x,
                    y = if (is.na (y)) 0 : 1 else y)
### From here on processing the additional keywords in Nicolet's ENVI header *********************
 ## z plot titles ------
 ## default labels
 label <- list (x = expression ('/' (x, micro * m)),
y = expression ('/' (y, micro * m)),
                 spc = 'I / a.u.',
                 .wavelength = expression (tilde (nu) / cm^-1))
  ## get labels from header information
  if (!is.null (header$'z plot titles')){
   pattern <- "^[[:blank:]]*([[:print:]^,]+)[[:blank:]]*,.*$"</pre>
   tmp <- sub (pattern, "\\1", header$'z plot titles')</pre>
    if (grepl ("Wavenumbers (cm-1)", tmp, ignore.case = TRUE))
     label$.wavelength <- expression (tilde (nu) / cm^(-1))</pre>
    else
     label$.wavelength <- tmp
    pattern <- "^[[:blank:]]*[[:print:]^,]+,[[:blank:]]*([[:print:]^,]+).*$"</pre>
    tmp <- sub (pattern, "\\1", header$'z plot titles')</pre>
    if (grepl ("Unknown", tmp, ignore.case = TRUE))
      label$spc <- "I / a.u."
    else
     label$spc <- tmp
 }
  ## modify the labels accordingly
  spc@label <- modifyList (label, spc@label)</pre>
  ## set up spatial coordinates -----
  ## look for x and y in the header only if x and y are NULL
 ## they are in `description` and `pixel size`
 ## set up regular expressions to extract the values
 p.description <- paste ("^Spectrum position [[:digit:]]+ of [[:digit:]]+ positions,",</pre>
                          "X = ([[:digit:].-]+), Y = ([[:digit:].-]+)$")
 p.pixel.size <- "^[[:blank:]]*([[:digit:].-]+),[[:blank:]]*([[:digit:].-]+).*$"
  if (is.na (x) && is.na (y) &&
      ! is.null (header$description) && grepl (p.description, header$description ) &&
      ! is.null (header$'pixel size') && grepl (p.pixel.size, header$'pixel size')) {
    x [1] <- as.numeric (sub (p.description, "\1", header$description))
   y [1] <- as.numeric (sub (p.description, "\\2", header$description))</pre>
   x [2] <- as.numeric (sub (p.pixel.size, "\\1", header$'pixel size')) y [2] <- as.numeric (sub (p.pixel.size, "\\2", header$'pixel size'))
    ## it seems that the step size is given in mm while the offset is in micron
    if (nicolet.correction) {
      x [2] <- x [2] * 1000
      y [2] <- y [2] * 1000
```

```
## now calculate and set the x and y coordinates
x <- x [2] * spc$x + x [1]
if (! any (is.na (x)))
    spc@data$x <- x

y <- y [2] * spc$y + y [1]
if (! any (is.na (y)))
    spc@data$y <- y
}

spc
</pre>
```

7.3. Deriving import filters for spc files

Please note that future changes inside the read.spc function are likely to occur. However, if you just post-process the *hyperSpec* object returned by read.spc, you should be fine.

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A. File Import Functions by Format

Format	Manufacturer	Function	section	Notes
ASCII file formats				
Andor Solis ASCII	Andor (Raman)	read.asc.Andor	6.8, p. 18	
ASCII long		read.txt.long	4, p. 5	
ASCII long	Renishaw (Raman)	read.txt.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
ASCII long	Kaiser (Raman)	read.txt.long	6.5.1, p. 15	Not recommended, see discussion
ASCII long	Perkin Elmer (Fluorescence)	read.txt.PerkinElmer	7.1, p. 20	Reads multiple files, needs to be sourced.
ASCII wide		read.txt.wide	4, p. 5	
ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	read.txt.Horiba	6.7, p. 17	e.g. LabRAM spectrometers
ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	read.txt.Horiba.xy	6.7, p. 17	e.g. LabRAM spectrometer maps
ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	read.txt.Horiba.t	6.7, p. 17	e.g. LabRAM spectrometer time series
ASCII wide transposed	Witec (Raman)	read.txt.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Export Table
JCAMP-DX		read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	
JCAMP-DX	Renishaw (Raman)	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	
JCAMP-DX	Shimadzu (GCxGC-MS)	read.txt.Shimadzu	??, p. ??	
JCAMP-DX	PerkinElmer (Infrared)	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
other	Shimadzu (GC,GC-MS)	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
Witec ASCII	Witec (Raman)	read.dat.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Save ASCII X, Save ASCII Y
Witec Graph ASCII	Witec (Raman)	read.txt.Witec.Graph	6.9, p. 18	Export Table in 3 separate files (Header, X-Axis, Y-Axis)
zipped ASCII long	Renishaw (Raman)	read.zip.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
$binary\ file\ formats$				
array		-	2, p. 3	
ENVI		read.ENVI	5.2, p. 10	
ENVI	Bruker (Infrared Imaging)	read.ENVI	6.2, p. 14	
ENVI	Nicolet (Infrared Imaging)	read.ENVI.Nicolet	6.3, p. 14	
hol	Kaiser (Raman)	-	6.5, p. 15	via Matlab
Matlab	Matlab	R.matlab::readMat	5.1, p. 9	
Matlab	Cytospec	read.mat.Cytospec	5.1.2, p. 9	
Matlab	Witec (Raman)	read.mat.Witec	??, p. ??	
matrix		-	2, p. 3	
Opus	Bruker (Infrared Imaging)	-	6.2, p. 14	
spc		read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
spc	Kaiser (Raman Map)	read.spc.KaiserMap	6.5.2, p. 16	Reads multiple files
spc	Kaiser (Raman)	read.spc.Kaiser	??, p. ??	Efficiently reads multiple files
spc	Kaiser (Raman)	read.spc.KaiserLowHigh	??, p. ??	Reads multiple pairs of low and high wavenumber region spcs
spc	Kaiser (Raman) 25	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
spc	Renishaw (Raman)	read.spc	6.6.1, p. 16	Not recommended, see discussion of ASCII files.
spc	Witec (Raman)	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	spc export not available for images
spc	Horiba (Raman)	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
spe	Princeton Instruments (Raman)	read.spe	??, p. ??	WinSpec

B. File Import Functions by Manufacturer

Manufacturer	Format	Function	section	Notes
Manufacturers				
Andor (Raman)	Andor Solis ASCII	read.asc.Andor	6.8, p. 18	
Bruker (Infrared Imaging)	ENVI	read.ENVI	6.2, p. 14	
Bruker (Infrared Imaging)	Opus	-	6.2, p. 14	
Cytospec	Matlab	read.mat.Cytospec	5.1.2, p. 9	
Horiba (Raman)	spc	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	ASCII wide	read.txt.Horiba	6.7, p. 17	e. g. LabRAM spectrometers
Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	ASCII wide	read.txt.Horiba.xy	6.7, p. 17	e. g. LabRAM spectrometer maps
Horiba Jobin Yvon (Raman)	ASCII wide	read.txt.Horiba.t	6.7, p. 17	e. g. LabRAM spectrometer time series
Kaiser (Raman)	ASCII long	read.txt.long	6.5.1, p. 15	Not recommended, see discussion
Kaiser (Raman)	hol	-	6.5, p. 15	via Matlab
Kaiser (Raman Map)	spc	read.spc.KaiserMap	6.5.2, p. 16	Reads multiple files
Kaiser (Raman)	spc	read.spc.Kaiser	??, p. ??	Efficiently reads multiple files
Kaiser (Raman)	spc	read.spc.KaiserLowHigh	??, p. ??	Reads multiple pairs of low and high wavenumber region spcs
Kaiser (Raman)	spc	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
Matlab	Matlab	R.matlab::readMat	5.1, p. 9	
Nicolet (Infrared Imaging)	ENVI	read.ENVI.Nicolet	6.3, p. 14	
PerkinElmer (Infrared)	JCAMP-DX	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
Perkin Elmer (Fluorescence)	ASCII long	read.txt.PerkinElmer	7.1, p. 20	Reads multiple files, needs to be sourced.
Princeton Instruments (Raman)	spe	read.spe	??, p. ??	WinSpec
Renishaw (Raman)	ASCII long	read.txt.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
Renishaw (Raman)	zipped ASCII long	read.zip.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
Renishaw (Raman)	JCAMP-DX	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	
Renishaw (Raman)	spc	read.spc	6.6.1, p. 16	Not recommended, see discussion of ASCII files.
Shimadzu (GC,GC-MS)	other	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
Shimadzu (GCxGC-MS)	JCAMP-DX	read.txt.Shimadzu	??, p. ??	
Witec (Raman)	Witec ASCII	read.dat.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Save ASCII X, Save ASCII Y
Witec (Raman)	ASCII wide transposed	read.txt.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Export Table
Witec (Raman)	Witec Graph ASCII	read.txt.Witec.Graph	6.9, p. 18	Export Table in 3 separate files (Header, X-Axis, Y-Axis)
Witec (Raman)	Matlab	read.mat.Witec	??, p. ??	
Witec (Raman)	spc	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	spc export not available for images

C. File Import Functions by Spectroscopy

Spectroscopy	Format	Manufacturer	Function	section	Notes
Fluorescence	ASCII long	Perkin Elmer	read.txt.PerkinElmer	7.1, p. 20	Reads multiple files, needs to be sourced.
GC,GC-MS	other	Shimadzu	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
GCxGC-MS	JCAMP-DX	Shimadzu	read.txt.Shimadzu	??, p. ??	
Infrared	JCAMP-DX	PerkinElmer	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	import for subset of the JCAMP-DX standard
Infrared Imaging	ENVI	Bruker	read.ENVI	6.2, p. 14	
Infrared Imaging	ENVI	Nicolet	read.ENVI.Nicolet	6.3, p. 14	
Infrared Imaging	Opus	Bruker	-	6.2, p. 14	
Raman	Andor Solis ASCII	Andor	read.asc.Andor	6.8, p. 18	
Raman	ASCII long	Renishaw	read.txt.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
Raman	ASCII long	Kaiser	read.txt.long	6.5.1, p. 15	Not recommended, see discussion
Raman	ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon	read.txt.Horiba	6.7, p. 17	e.g. LabRAM spectrometers
Raman	ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon	read.txt.Horiba.xy	6.7, p. 17	e.g. LabRAM spectrometer maps
Raman	ASCII wide	Horiba Jobin Yvon	read.txt.Horiba.t	6.7, p. 17	e. g. LabRAM spectrometer time series
Raman	ASCII wide transposed	Witec	read.txt.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Export Table
Raman	hol	Kaiser	-	6.5, p. 15	via Matlab
Raman	JCAMP-DX	Renishaw	read.jdx	4.2, p. 7	
Raman	Matlab	Witec	read.mat.Witec	??, p. ??	
Raman	spc	Kaiser	read.spc.Kaiser	??, p. ??	Efficiently reads multiple files
Raman	spc	Kaiser	read.spc.KaiserLowHigh	??, p. ??	Reads multiple pairs of low and high wavenumber region spcs
Raman	spc	Kaiser	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
Raman	spc	Renishaw	read.spc	6.6.1, p. 16	Not recommended, see discussion of ASCII files.
Raman	spc	Witec	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	spc export not available for images
Raman	spc	Horiba	read.spc	5.3, p. 11	
Raman	spe	Princeton Instruments	read.spe	??, p. ??	WinSpec
Raman	Witec ASCII	Witec	read.dat.Witec	6.9, p. 18	Save ASCII X, Save ASCII Y
Raman	Witec Graph ASCII	Witec	read.txt.Witec.Graph	6.9, p. 18	Export Table in 3 separate files (Header, X-Axis, Y-Axis)
Raman	zipped ASCII long	Renishaw	read.zip.Renishaw	6.6.1, p. 16	
Raman Map	spc	Kaiser	read.spc.KaiserMap	6.5.2, p. 16	Reads multiple files

D. Unit Test Results

		test-read.spc.R#52) - wplanes do not yet work
==	DONE ====	

Session Info

R version 3.4.4 (2018-03-15)

Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit) Running under: Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS

Matrix products: default

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[7] LC_PAPER=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_NAME=C LC_ADDRESS=C
[10] LC_TELEPHONE=C LC_MEASUREMENT=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C

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[1] grid stats graphics grDevices utils datasets methods base

other attached packages:

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[5] lattice_0.20-35

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