

# Enabling analysis of large scale metabolomics/proteomics data: on-the-fly data access in MSnbase

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- Updates to mzR, MSnbase and xcms packages:
  - MS data write support.
  - *on-the-fly* data access.
  - towards a common MS infrastructure: xcms re-uses classes from MSnbase.

# onDisk vs inMem data; why?

- Keeping all data in memory prevents analysis of large experiments.
- Example: load a MS file

```
library(MSnbase)
library(pryr)

## Read a single MS level 1 file
msd <- readMSData("data/150616_P00L_IntraP_S_POS_6.mzML", mode = "onDisk")

## Object size?
object_size(msd)
```

602 kB

- Memory footprint: 977 MB (inMem) vs 600 kB (onDisk).
- Reading data on demand: *relatively* fast for indexed mzML files.

# Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- Profile MS data?
- Example: plot MS data for a metabolite:

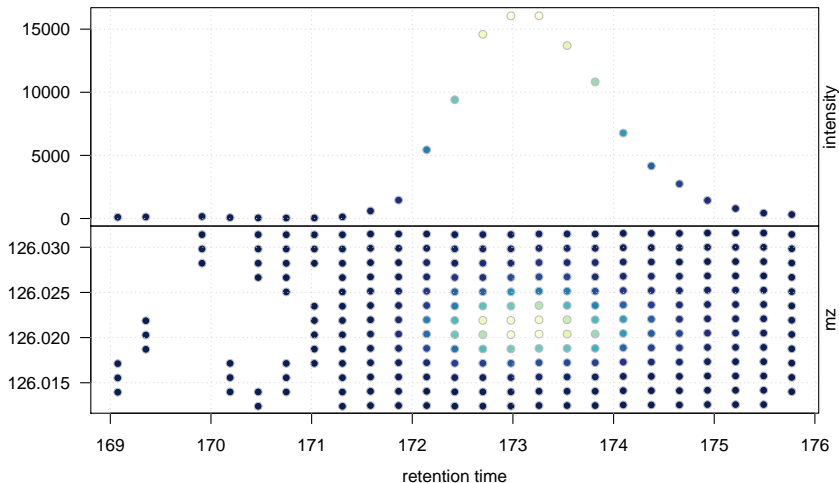
```
library(xcms)

## m/z for Taurine [M+H]+
taur_mz <- 126.02194
taur_rt <- c(169, 176)

## Extract the MS data for this ion
taur_msdata <- extractMsData(msd, mz = c(taur_mz - 0.01, taur_mz + 0.01),
                             rt = taur_rt)
plotMsdata(taur_msdata[[1]])
```

# Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- Profile-mode MS data for Taurine  $[M+H]^+$  ion.



## Application example: *centroiding* of *profile* MS data

- *centroiding*: represent mass peaks by their *centroid*.
- Example: plot mass peak for taurin from one spectrum.

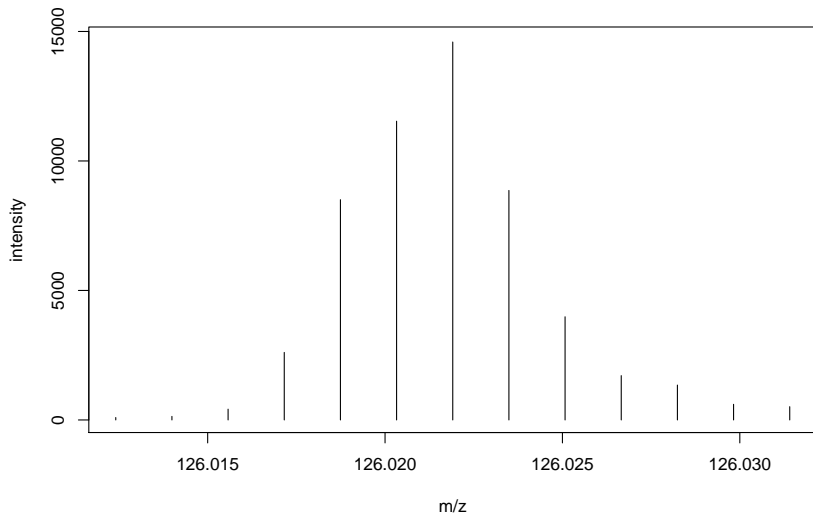
```
library(magrittr)

## Extract one spectrum for the metabolite
spct <- msd %>% filterAcquisitionNum(n = 619L) %>%
  filterMz(mz = c(taur_mz - 0.01, taur_mz + 0.01))

par(mfrow = c(1, 1), mar = c(4.5, 4, 1, 1))
plot(mz(spct[[1]]), intensity(spct[[1]]), type = "h", ylab = "intensity",
      xlab = "m/z")
```

## Application example: *centroiding of profile* MS data

- Taurin ion mass peak in one spectrum.



## Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- onDisk data: lazy execution of data manipulations. Example: Data smoothing (smooth) and centroiding (pickPeaks).

```
## 1) smooth the spectrum data
## 2) perform centroiding
cntr <- msd %>% smooth(method = "MovingAverage", halfWindowSize = 2L) %>%
  pickPeaks()

## ... not executed yet ...
cntr@spectraProcessingQueue
```

```
[[1]]
```

```
Object of class "ProcessingStep"
```

```
Function: smooth
```

```
Arguments:
```

```
o method = MovingAverage
o halfWindowSize = 2
```

```
[[2]]
```

```
Object of class "ProcessingStep"
```

```
Function: pickPeaks
```

```
Arguments:
```

```
o method = MAD
o halfWindowSize = 3
o SNR = 0
o ignoreCentroided = TRUE
o refineMz = none
```



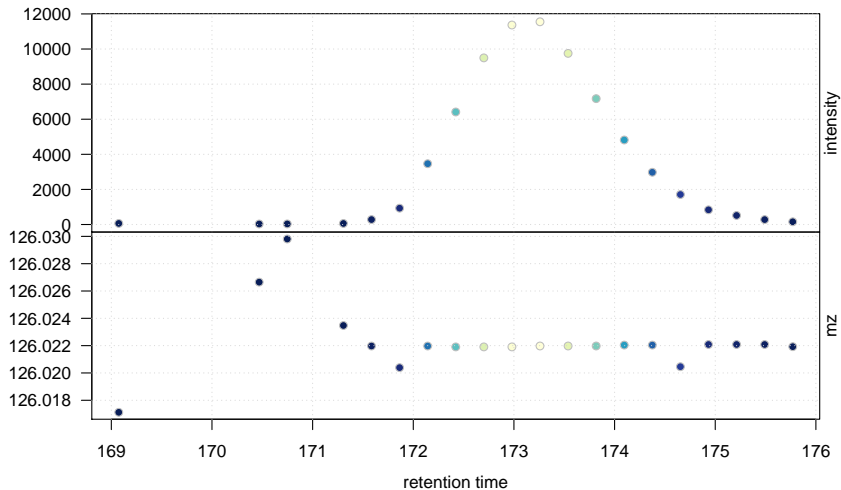
## Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- Data manipulations are applied *on-the-fly*.

```
## Extract the MS data for our example ion;  
## smoothing and centroiding performed on-the-fly  
taur_cntr <- extractMsData(cntr, mz = c(taur_mz - 0.01, taur_mz + 0.01),  
                           rt = taur_rt)  
plotMsData(taur_cntr[[1]])
```

# Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- MS data for taurin, centroided.



## Application example: *centroiding of profile MS data*

- *Make persistent*: write to MS data file. Example: write the centroided data to disk.

```
writeMSData(cnr, file = "centroided.mzML", copy = TRUE)  
  
## 1) All processings (smoothing and peak picking) are applied  
## 2) Data is exported as mzML
```

# Finally

Thank you for your attention!

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<https://github.com/jotsetung/EuroBioc2017-MSnbase.git>