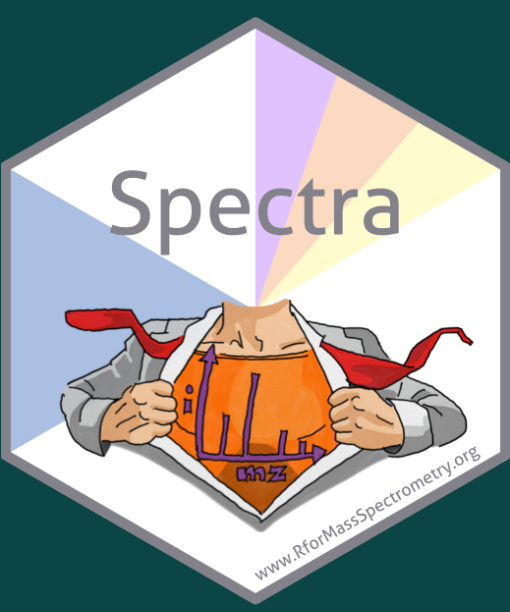


Flexible Infrastructure for Mass Spectrometry Data



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Introduction

Mass Spectrometry (MS) Data

- Paired measurements:
 - intensity (counts) vs m/z (mass-to-charge ratio).
 - intensity vs retention time.
- Additional various metatdata.

Problems

- Vendor-specific, closed file formats.
- Various open-formats, e.g. mzML, mzXML, mz5, CDF, MGF, CSV
- Spectra libraries/Annotation information in databases, e.g. SQL
- Multiple R-packages require different file formats and/or data structures.

Solution

Spectra offers a common, flexible data structure and interface.

Data Structure

class	storage	writeable
MsBackendDataFrame ¹	in-memory	yes
MsBackendHdf5Peaks ¹	on-disk	yes
MsBackendMzR ¹	on-disk	no
MsBackendRawFileReader ²	on-disk	no

Interface

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