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Create a colour palette of blues.

## Description

This function will create a lovely, evenly spaced colour palette.

## Usage

cs\_blue(n)

## Arguments

n

The number of colours of blue to return.

## Value

A character vector of hexadecimal values.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

cs\_blue(10)

cs\_blye

## Description

This function will create a lovely, evenly spaced colour palette.

## Usage

cs\_blye(n)

## Arguments

n

The number of colours of blue to yellow to return.

## Value

A character vector of hexadecimal values.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

cs\_blye(10)

cs\_BuYlRd

Create a colour palette from blues to reds.

## Description

This function will create a lovely, evenly spaced colour palette.

## Usage

cs\_BuYlRd(n)

## Arguments n

The number of colours of blue to red to return.

## Value

A character vector of hexadecimal values.

#### Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

cs\_BuYlRd(10)

flget\_areaExtract pixel surface area data from a NetCDF file downloaded by<br/>FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will conveniently extract the pixel surface area data stored within a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. The user may choose to load the data in either raster or data.frame formats. It is useful to combine these data with others, e.g. bathymetry data loaded via fl\_DownloadFjord

## Usage

flget\_area(fjord, mode = "raster")

## Arguments

| fjord | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord.  |
|-------|--|
| mode  | Determines the format to be loaded into the R environment. The default "raster" will load the data as a raster format. "3col" will load the data as a data.frame with three columns. |

## Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses, this function will return the surface area data as a RasterLayer (mode = "raster") or data.frame (mode = "df"). The data.frame will contain the following columns:

| longitude     | degree decimals                          |
|---------------|--|
| latitude      | degree decimals                          |
| PixelArea_km2 | the surface area of the grid cell [km^2] |

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## flget\_bathymetry

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))
# Load area data
area <- flget_area(fjorddata, mode = "df")</pre>
```

flget\_bathymetry

*Extract and/or plot bathymetry data from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will conveniently extract the bathymetry data stored within a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. There are options for how the user would like to subset the data, which data format the data should be extracted to, and if the user would like to plot the data in the process.

#### Usage

```
flget_bathymetry(fjord, what = "o", mode = "raster", PLOT = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

| fjord | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord.  |
|-------|--|
| what  | The default value "o" will load all "ocean" data, meaning it will filter out any land pixels. The other options are: "c" filters out only coastal bathymetry data (depth of 200 m to 0 m), "s" filters out only shallow bathymetry data (depth of 50 m to 0 m), and "1" loads only the land data. One may combine "o", "c", or "s", with "1" (e.g. "ol") to load both sea and land data. |
| mode  | Determines the format of the bathymetry data loaded into the R environment.<br>The default "raster" will load the data as a raster format. The other option<br>"df" will load the data as a data.frame with three columns.   |
| PLOT  | Boolean argument (default = FALSE) that tells the function if the user would like the loaded bathymetry and/or elevation data to be plotted or not. NB: this argument will only run if the user chooses mode = "raster".   |

## Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses, this function will return the filtered bathymetry data as a RasterLayer (mode = "raster") or data.frame (mode = "df"). The data.frame will contain the following columns:

longitude degree decimals

| latitude | degree decimals |
|----------|-----------------|
| depth    | metres          |

Note that the depth column will contain both elevation (positive) and depth (negative) values.

#### Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))
# Shallow data (what = "s"; s for shallow) as a data.frame
shallow_df <- flget_bathymetry(fjorddata, what = "s", mode = "df")
# Plot all ocean and land data
full_bathy <- flget_bathymetry(fjorddata, what = "ol", mode = "raster", PLOT = TRUE)
# Plot only land data
land_only <- flget_bathymetry(fjorddata, what = "1", mode = "raster", PLOT =TRUE)
# For more examples see: https://face-it-project.github.io/FjordLight/articles/fl_example.html
```

flget\_climatology *Extract climatology data from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will conveniently extract the climatology data stored within a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. To extract the monthly bottom PAR data instead one must use flget\_PARbottomMonthlyTS. There are options for how the user would like to subset the data, which data format the data should be extracted to, and if the user would like to plot the data in the process.

```
flget_climatology(
  fjord,
  optics = "PARbottom",
  period = "Global",
```

```
month = NULL,
year = NULL,
mode = "raster",
PLOT = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

| fjord  | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord.   |
|--------|---|
| optics | The PAR variable that the user would like to load. The option are: "PARbottom" (default) to load the bottom PAR values, "PAR0m" surface PAR, or "Kpar" for the extinction coefficient.  |
| period | Here the user determines which time period of data should be loaded. To load the total average values (default) use "Global". One may chose instead to load the "Yearly" or "Monthly" values. Note that monthly values here represent the climatological average for the month, not one month in a given year. If the user would like one specific month of data (only available for bottom PAR), they should use flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS. |
| month  | The monthly climatology to extract. Accepts an integer value from 3 to 10. This argument is ignored if period = "Yearly".   |
| year   | The yearly average to extract. Currently accepts an integer value from 2003 to 2022. This argument is ignored if period = "Monthly".  |
| mode   | Determines the format of the data loaded into the R environment. The default "raster" will load the data as a raster format. The other option "df" will load the data as a data.frame with three columns.   |
| PLOT   | Boolean argument (default = FALSE) that tells the function if the user would like the loaded data to be plotted or not.   |

## Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses, this function will return the chosen, global, annual, or monthly climatology data as a RasterLayer (mode = "raster") or data.frame (mode = "df"). The data.frame will contain the following columns:

| longitude         | degree decimals |  |
|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| latitude          | degree decimals |  |
| optics_month year |                 |  |

The column name is determined by the arguments for optics and either month or year, depending on the users choice.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))
# PAR@m and PARbottom for July
P07 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PAR@m", "Clim", month = 7, PLOT = TRUE)
Pb7 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PARbottom", "Clim", month = 7, PLOT = TRUE)
# PARbottom Global
PbG <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PARbottom", "Global", PLOT = TRUE)
# PAR@m and kdpar for year 2012 as 3 columns data frame
P02012 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PAR@m", "Yearly", year = 2012, mode = "df")
k2012 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "Kpar", "Yearly", year = 2012, mode = "df")
# For more examples see: https://face-it-project.github.io/FjordLight/articles/fl_example.html
```

flget\_geoparameters *Extract geo-parameters from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

## Description

Given a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord, this function extracts the central longitude and latitude for that site, as well as the surface are in km^2 for the shallow zone (< 50 m deep) and coastal zone (< 200 m deep).

## Usage

```
flget_geoparameters(fjord)
```

## Arguments

fjord Expects the object loaded via fl\_LoadFjord.

#### Value

A named vector containing the following items:

site\_average\_longitude

The central longitude of the fjord [degree decimals]

site\_average\_latitude

The central latitude of the fjord [degree decimals]

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AreaOfCoastalZone The surface area of the grid cells with a depth of < 200 m [km^2] AreaOfShallowZone The surface area of the grid cells with a depth of < 50 m [km^2]

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))
# Load geo-parameters
geo_params <- flget_geoparameters(fjorddata)
# Convert to a data.frame if desired
geo_params_df <- t(as.data.frame(geo_params))</pre>
```

flget\_KPARMonthlyTS *Extract monthly K\_PAR data from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will extract the monthly K\_PAR data stored within a K\_PAR NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. Note that these data are very large. If one would prefer to work with the smaller annual or monthly climatology values, instead use flget\_climatology. There are options for how the user would like to subset the data, which data format the data should be extracted to, and if the user would like to plot the data in the process.

```
flget_KPARMonthlyTS(
  fjord,
  month = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  mode = "raster",
  PLOT = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

| fjord | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord. NB: when loading the data one must set the argument fl_LoadFjord(, TS = TRUE). See examples below.   |
|-------|--|
| month | The monthly values to extract. Accepts one or many integer values from 3 to 10. If no values are provided, the default value of NULL will be passed to the function, telling it to load all available months of data (i.e. 3:10). This is used in combination with year to determine which monthly data to extract.                              |
| year  | The years of data to extract. Currently accepts one or many integer values from 2003 to 2022. If no values are provided, the default value of NULL will be passed to the function, telling it to load all available years of data (i.e. currently 2003:2022). This is used in combination with month to determine which monthly data to extract. |
| mode  | Determines the format of the data loaded into the R environment. The default "raster" will load the data as a raster format. The other option "df" will load the data as a data.frame with three columns.  |
| PLOT  | Boolean argument (default = FALSE) that tells the function if the user would like the loaded data to be plotted or not.  |

## Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses, this function will return the chosen monthly K\_PAR data as a RasterStack (mode = "raster") or data.frame (mode = "df"). The data.frame will contain the following columns:

| longitude | degree decimals     |
|-----------|---------------------|
| latitude  | degree decimals     |
| PARbottom | mol photons m-2 d-1 |

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## Examples

```
# NB: This may be too large for smaller laptops
```

```
mts_many <- flget_KPARMonthlyTS(fjorddata, month = 7:8, year = 2003:2004, PLOT = FALSE)</pre>
```

```
# May also plot the data
mts_plot <- flget_KPARMonthlyTS(fjorddata, month = 6:9, year = 2010, PLOT = TRUE)</pre>
```

# For more examples: https://face-it-project.github.io/FjordLight/articles/fl\_example.html

flget\_PARbottomMonthlyTS

*Extract monthly bottom PAR data from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will extract the monthly bottom PAR data stored within a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. Note that these data are very large. If one would prefer to work with the smaller annual or monthly climatology values, instead use flget\_climatology. There are options for how the user would like to subset the data, which data format the data should be extracted to, and if the user would like to plot the data in the process.

## Usage

```
flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS(
  fjord,
  month = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  mode = "raster",
  PLOT = FALSE
)
```

#### Arguments

| fjord | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord. NB: when loading the data one must set the argument fl_LoadFjord(, TS = TRUE). See examples below.   |
|-------|--|
| month | The monthly values to extract. Accepts one or many integer values from 3 to 10. If no values are provided, the default value of NULL will be passed to the function, telling it to load all available months of data (i.e. 3:10). This is used in combination with year to determine which monthly data to extract.                              |
| year  | The years of data to extract. Currently accepts one or many integer values from 2003 to 2022. If no values are provided, the default value of NULL will be passed to the function, telling it to load all available years of data (i.e. currently 2003:2022). This is used in combination with month to determine which monthly data to extract. |
| mode  | Determines the format of the data loaded into the R environment. The default "raster" will load the data as a raster format. The other option "df" will load the data as a data.frame with three columns.  |
| PLOT  | Boolean argument (default = FALSE) that tells the function if the user would like the loaded data to be plotted or not.  |

#### Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses, this function will return the chosen monthly bottom PAR data as a RasterStack (mode = "raster") or data.frame (mode = "df"). The data.frame will contain the following columns:

| longitude | degree decimals     |
|-----------|---------------------|
| latitude  | degree decimals     |
| PARbottom | mol photons m-2 d-1 |

#### Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## Examples

flget\_Pfunction *Extract p function data from a NetCDF file downloaded by* FjordLight.

#### Description

This functions will conveniently extract the p function data stored within a NetCDF file downloaded via fl\_DownloadFjord. There are options for how the user would like to subset the data, which data format the data should be extracted to, and if the user would like to plot the data in the process.

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## flget\_Pfunction

## Usage

```
flget_Pfunction(
  fjord,
  type = "coastal",
  period = "Global",
  month = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  mode = "function",
  PLOT = FALSE,
  add = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

| fjord  | Expects the object loaded via fl_LoadFjord.   |
|--------|---|
| type   | Whether the p function should show values for the coastal zone (< 200 m deep), or the shallow zone (< 50 m deep).   |
| period | Here the user determines which time period of data should be loaded. To load the total average values (default) use "Global". One may chose instead to load the "Yearly" or "Monthly" values. Note that monthly values here represent the climatological average for the month, not one month in a given year. If the user would like one specific month of data (only available for bottom PAR), they should use flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS. |
| month  | The monthly climatology to extract. Accepts an integer value from 3 to 10. This argument is ignored if period = "Yearly".   |
| year   | The yearly average to extract. Currently accepts an integer value from 2003 to 2022. This argument is ignored if period = "Monthly".  |
| mode   | Determines the basic process that this function performs. The default mode = "function" will allow the user to create a function that they can then use themselves to determine p curves using their own input (see examples). Or to access the underlying p function data directly set mode = "df".  |
| PLOT   | Boolean argument (default = FALSE) that tells the function if the user would like the loaded data to be plotted or not.   |
| add    | Boolean (i.e. TRUE/FALSE) to tell the function to add the p function plot to an existing plot. See examples below.  |
|        | Additional arguments that may be passed to flplot_Pfunction, which will implement them using base R plotting functionality.   |

## Value

Depending on which arguments the user chooses for mode, a function will be returned (see examples). Or a two column data.frame:

irradianceLevel

A threshold value [mol photons m-2 d-1]

#### optics\_global|year|month

The column name is determined by the arguments passed to optics and either global, year, or month, depending on which period was indicated. These values show the percent of the fjord (filtered for pixels with a depth of 200 m or shallower) that received at least the amount of irradiance indicated in the irradianceLevel column.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))
# Create a function</pre>
```

```
fG <- flget_Pfunction(fjorddata, "shallow", "Global")</pre>
```

```
# Then use it with specific PAR thresholds
irradiance_levels <- c(0.1, 1, 10)
fG(irradiance_levels)
```

```
# As a 2 column data.frame
f2012 <- flget_Pfunction(fjorddata, "shallow", "Yearly", year = 2012, mode = "df", PLOT = TRUE)
str(f2012)
```

fl\_DownloadFjord Download fjord PAR data as NetCDF files.

## Description

This functions queries the FTP server where the NetCDF files are stored. It will retrieve the one file that matches the name provided to it via the fjord argument. Note that these files can be multiple gigabytes in size.

```
fl_DownloadFjord(fjord, layer = "PAR_B", dirdata = NULL)
```

## Arguments

| fjord   | Expects a character vector for one of the 8 available fjords. See fl_ListFjords for the list of possible choices.  |
|---------|--|
| layer   | The layer of data the user wants to download. The default "PAR_B" will down-<br>load monthly bottom PAR data, "K_PAR" will download monthly values for the<br>light extinction coefficient (i.e. K_PAR) in the water column, "ClimSD" will<br>download the standard deviations for the monthly climatologies, and "YearlySD"<br>will download the standard deviations for the yearly climatologies. Note that if<br>monthly K_PAR data are chosen, the file will be saved as e.g. "kong_MonthlyKpar.nc".<br>"ClimSD" and "YearlySD" data will also have this character string appended to<br>the file name. Whereas PAR_B data will be saved simply as e.g. "kong.nc". NB:<br>Only the "PAR_B" data contain the full list of metadata variables. |
| dirdata | The directory where the user would like to download the data.  |

## Value

The downloaded NetCDF file contains the following variables:

| bathymetry        | depth [m]   |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| land              | elevation [m]   |  |
| area              | PixelArea_km2 [m]   |  |
| AreaOfCoastalZone |   |  |
|                   | Surface of Sea floor with a depth of between 0 and 200 meters [km2] |  |

etc...

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili and Robert Schlegel

## Examples

```
# Choose a fjord
fjord_code <- "kong"
# Download it</pre>
```

# NB: One should provide a permanent directory when downloading a file.

fl\_DownloadFjord(fjord\_code, dirdata = tempdir())

fl\_ListFjords

## Description

Run this to determine which character vectors to use when downloading data via fl\_DownloadFjord, or a range of other uses within FjordLight.

## Usage

fl\_ListFjords()

## Value

A list of currently 7 different character vectors representing a range of fjords in the EU Arctic.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

fl\_ListFjords()

fl\_LoadFjord

Load fjord PAR data from a NetCDF file downloaded by FjordLight.

## Description

This functions will load into the R environment the data within one NetCDF file that has been downloaded via  $fl_DownloadFjord$ .

```
fl_LoadFjord(
   fjord,
   layer = "PAR_B",
   dirdata = NULL,
   TS = FALSE,
   verbose = FALSE
)
```

## fl\_topocolorscale

## Arguments

| fjord   | Expects a character vector for one of the 8 available fjords. See fl_ListFjords for the list of possible choices.  |
|---------|--|
| layer   | The layer of data the user wants to load. The default "PAR_B" will load monthly bottom PAR data. The other options, "K_PAR" will load monthly values for the light extinction coefficient (i.e. K_PAR) in the water column, "ClimSD" will load the standard deviation values for the monthly climatologies, and "YearlySD" will load the standard deviation values for the yearly climatologies. Note that only the PAR_B files and do not contain all global values and metadata. The other files are in supplement to the PAR_B files. |
| dirdata | The directory where the user would like to load the data from.   |
| TS      | The default, FALSE, will prevent this function from loading the monthly bottom PAR values. Instead it will load all global, annual, and monthly climatology data. Set TS = TRUE to load all data, but note that these may be extremely large.  |
| verbose | TRUE or FALSE (default) to provide a more verbose output of the data loading process.  |

## Value

Data are loaded in as a complex list format. Containing most of the data fields described in the documentation for fl\_DownloadFjord.

#### Author(s)

Bernard Gentili & Robert Schlegel

## Examples

fl\_topocolorscale Create a colour palette for bathymetry plots.

#### Description

This function will create a lovely, evenly spaced colour palette designed for use with bathymetry plots.

## Usage

fl\_topocolorscale(v)

## Arguments

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Expects a single negative numeric value. This should be the maximum depth of the bathymetry.

## Value

A list containing two vectors. First the numeric breaks (brks) that will be shown as different isobath colours. Second the colours (colors) that will be shown. The colours are given as hexadecimal values.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

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