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Description Reads raw files from Li-COR gas analyzers and produces a dataframe that can directly be used with 'fluxible' (Gaudard et al 2025 <[doi:10.1111/2041-210X.70161](https://doi.org/10.1111/2041-210X.70161)>).

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data_82z	<i>to read the raw data</i>
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Description

to read the raw data

Usage

```
data_82z(filepath, data_file, data_name, gases, filename)
```

Arguments

filepath	name and path to the 82z archive
data_file	name of the file with raw data
data_name	vector of colnames
gases	list of gases
filename	name of the 82z archive

Value

a long df with the actual data contained in the data file

data_name_82z	<i>create colnames for data tibble</i>
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Description

create colnames for data tibble

Usage

```
data_name_82z(filepath, data_file)
```

Arguments

filepath	name and path to the 82z archive
data_file	name of the file with raw data

Value

a character vector or the colnames of the data file

flexible_81x	<i>makes df from 81x files compatible with flexible</i>
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Description

makes df from 81x files compatible with flexible

Usage

```
flexible_81x(df, focus_gas, id_cols, datetime_col)
```

Arguments

df	input dataframe from licoread
focus_gas	gas to select
id_cols	columns to identify unique fluxes
datetime_col	column containing datetime information

Value

a df with the focus gas column renamed as "f_conc" and f_fluxid in chronological order of datetime

flexible_82z	<i>makes df from 82z files compatible with flexible</i>
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Description

makes df from 82z files compatible with flexible

Usage

```
flexible_82z(df, focus_gas)
```

Arguments

df	input dataframe from licoread
focus_gas	gas to select

Value

an unnested df with only the selected gas

import7500	<i>imports data from li7500 setup</i>
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Description

imports data from the li7500 setup described in Halbritter et al (2024)

Usage

```
import7500(path, version = "till2023", plotinfo = FALSE)
```

Arguments

path	location of the files. Note that the function is recursive and will import all the files at the location
version	"till2023" (default) refers to the setup before the li7500 update. For the update version, use "post2023".
plotinfo	character vector of names to use when separating the plot info from the file name. Names in the file name have to be separated with an underscore, ex: [location]_[date]_[time of day]_[trial].txt. FALSE (default) means no information will be fetched from the filename.

Value

a dataframe with all data present in the files to import. New datetime and fluxid columns contain respectively the datetime of measurements and their original filename. If comments are present, a column will contain the comments. Measurement informations from the file names are stored in new columns according to plotinfo.

References

Halbritter, A.H., Vandvik, V., Cotner, S.H. et al. Plant trait and vegetation data along a 1314 m elevation gradient with fire history in Puna grasslands, Perú. *Sci Data* 11, 225 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-024-02980-3>

Examples

```
path_pftc7 <- system.file("extdata/pftc7", package = "licoread")
import7500(path_pftc7, version = "post2023")
```

```
path_pftc5 <- system.file("extdata/pftc5", package = "licoread")
import7500(path_pftc5,
plotinfo = c("site", "treatment", "date", "plot", "trial"))
```

```
path_co2fluxtent <- system.file("extdata/co2fluxtent",
package = "licoread")
import7500(path_co2fluxtent,
plotinfo = c("date", "location", "time_of_day", "trial"))
```

`import7500_new_oneobs` *imports one file from li7500 (old)*

Description

imports one file from li7500 (old)

Usage

```
import7500_new_oneobs(filepath)
```

Arguments

filepath path to the file

Value

a df with the content of the file

```
import7500_old_oneobs imports one file from li7500 (old)
```

Description

imports one file from li7500 (old)

Usage

```
import7500_old_oneobs(filepath)
```

Arguments

filepath path to the file

Value

a df with the content of the file

```
licoread                    reads Li-COR files in a given location
```

Description

reads Li-COR files in a given location

Usage

```
licoread(
  location,
  file_type = "auto",
  file_type_list = c("82z", "81x", "auto"),
  data_file = "data.csv",
  meta_file = "metadata.json",
  regex_file = "(\\w*-)*\\w*(?=[.]82z$)",
  sample = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

location location of the files

file_type type of file (82z or 81x). If "auto" (default), the function will try to detect it by itself.

file_type_list list of file types

data_file name of the file with raw data

meta_file	name of the file with meta data
regex_file	regex expression matching the name of the 82z file. Here in case the user has a different than the default and for easier updates.
sample	sample = n randomly selects n files to be imported. This allows for testing the setup before importing a potentially large list of files which will take time and be difficult to handle.

Value

a tibble (nested or not depending on raw data) containing all the data from the raw files present at the location provided

Examples

```
path_82z <- system.file("extdata/82z", package = "licoread")
licoread(path_82z)
```

licoread_auto	<i>finds out the file type for licoread</i>
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Description

finds out the file type for licoread

Usage

```
licoread_auto(file_list)
```

Arguments

file_list list of files found in the location

Value

a single character string indicating the file type

licoread_to_fluxible *selects the focus gas and makes a df to use in [fluxible](#)*

Description

selects the focus gas and checks the columns needed for the [fluxible](#) workflow

Usage

```
licoread_to_fluxible(  
  df,  
  focus_gas,  
  datetime_col,  
  id_cols = c("File Name", "Obs#"),  
  file_type = "auto",  
  file_type_list = c("82z", "81x", "auto")  
)
```

Arguments

df	input dataframe from licoread
focus_gas	gas to select
datetime_col	column containing datetime information if date and time are in two different columns, provide a character vector of the form c("date", "time")
id_cols	columns to identify unique fluxes
file_type	type of file (82z or 81x). If "auto" (default), the function will try to detect it by itself.
file_type_list	list of file types

Value

an unnested df with only the selected gas

Examples

```
path_82z <- system.file("extdata/82z", package = "licoread")  
gas_df_82z <- licoread(path_82z)  
licoread_to_fluxible(gas_df_82z, "LI-7810_CH4_DRY",  
  datetime_col = c("LI-8250_DATE", "LI-8250_TIME"))
```

list_gases	<i>lists gases present in the dataset</i>
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Description

prints a character vector of the gases present in the dataset. This is to be used to obtain the exact names of the gases before using [licoread_to_fluxible](#).

Usage

```
list_gases(df, file_type = "auto", file_type_list = c("82z", "81x", "auto"))
```

Arguments

df the dataframe as imported with [licoread](#)
file_type type of file (currently works only for 82z). If "auto" (default), the function will try to detect it by itself.
file_type_list list of file types

Value

a character vector of the gases present in the dataset

Examples

```
path_82z <- system.file("extdata/82z", package = "licoread")  
gas_df_82z <- licoread(path_82z)  
list_gases(gas_df_82z)
```

metadata_82z	<i>read meta data file inside 82z archive</i>
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Description

read meta data file inside 82z archive

Usage

```
metadata_82z(filepath, meta_file)
```

Arguments

filepath name and path to the 82z archive
meta_file name of the file with meta data

Value

a tibble with the metadata from one observation

names_df	<i>to get a vector of names of a df, matching a regex</i>
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Description

to get a vector of names of a df, matching a regex

Usage

```
names_df(df, regname = "name\\d")
```

Arguments

df	the df to get the names from
regname	the regex expression to match

Value

a df with the names of the meta df

oneobs_81x	<i>reading a single measurement from 81x file</i>
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Description

reads a single measurement from a licor .81x file

Usage

```
oneobs_81x(start, end, all_obs, file)
```

Arguments

start	line number at which the measurement starts
end	line number at which the measurement ends
all_obs	list of all the lines from the full file
file	filepath to the 81x files

Value

a df with 1 row with the meta data of the measurement and raw data nested

oneobs_82z	<i>to read one measurement from the 82z archive</i>
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Description

to read one measurement from the 82z archive

Usage

```
oneobs_82z(filepath, data_file, meta_file, regex_file)
```

Arguments

filepath	path to the 82z archive
data_file	name of the file with raw data
meta_file	name of the file with meta data
regex_file	regex expression matching the name of the 82z file. Here in case the user has a different than the default and for easier updates.

Value

a tibble with all the data and metadata from one observation (one file)

read_81x_onefile	<i>reads 81x licor file</i>
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Description

reads a .81x file with several measurements

Usage

```
read_81x_onefile(file)
```

Arguments

file	filepath the the 81x file to read
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Value

a nested tibble with the meta data from each measurements as row and the raw data nested

units_82z *to create a nested tibble with the units of data*

Description

to create a nested tibble with the units of data

Usage

```
units_82z(filepath, data_file, data_name, filename)
```

Arguments

filepath	name and path to the 82z archive
data_file	name of the file with raw data
data_name	vector of colnames
filename	name of the 82z archive

Value

a tibble with the units of the variables contained in the raw data

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