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cs_blue	<i>Create a colour palette of blues.</i>
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**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)
```

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cs_blye	<i>Create a colour palette from blues to yellows.</i>
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**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)
```

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cs_BuYlRd	<i>Create a colour palette from blues to reds.</i>
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**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)
```

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flget_area	<i>Extract pixel surface area data from a NetCDF file downloaded by FjordLight.</i>
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**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 <a href="#">fl_LoadFjord</a> .
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 &amp; Robert Schlegel

**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")
```

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flget_bathymetry	<i>Extract and/or plot bathymetry data from a NetCDF file downloaded by FjordLight.</i>
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**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 <a href="#">fl_LoadFjord</a> .
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 "l" loads only the land data. One may combine "o", "c", or "s", with "l" (e.g. "ol") to load both sea and land data.
mode	Determines the format of the bathymetry 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 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
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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 = "l", mode = "raster", PLOT =TRUE)

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

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

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### 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.

### Usage

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

```

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

```

## Arguments

fjord	Expects the object loaded via <a href="#">fl_LoadFjord</a> .
optics	The PAR variable that the user would like to load. The options 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 choose 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 <a href="#">flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS</a> .
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 user's choice.

## Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

## Examples

```
# Load data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))

# PAR0m and PARbottom for July

P07 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PAR0m", "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)

# PAR0m and kdpar for year 2012 as 3 columns data frame
P02012 <- flget_climatology(fjorddata, "PAR0m", "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
```

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

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## 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 area in km<sup>2</sup> 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]
```



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

**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))
```

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

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**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 <code>fl_LoadFjord</code> . NB: when loading the data one must set the argument <code>fl_LoadFjord(..., TS = TRUE)</code> . 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**

```
# Load ALL data
fjord_code <- "test"
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code,
                        dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"), TS = TRUE)

# Load a small subset as a data.frame
mts_single <- flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS(fjorddata, month = 6, year = 2016, mode = "df", PLOT = FALSE)

# Years 2003 to 2004 - months July to August
# NB: This may be too large for smaller laptops
mts_many <- flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS(fjorddata, month = 7:8, year = 2003:2004, PLOT = FALSE)

# May also plot the data
```

```
mts_plot <- flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS(fjorddata, month = 6:9, year = 2010, PLOT = TRUE)

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

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flget_Pfunction	<i>Extract p function data from a NetCDF file downloaded by FjordLight.</i>
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## 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.

## 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 <a href="#">fl_LoadFjord</a> .
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 <a href="#">flget_PARbottomMonthlyTS</a> .
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 <code>flplot_Pfunction</code> , 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<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>]

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
fG <- flget_Pfunction(fjorddata, "shallow", "Global")

# 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)

# Plot a P-function
fGlob <- flget_Pfunction(fjorddata, "coastal", "Global", PLOT = TRUE, lty = 1, col = 1, lwd = 2,
  Main = paste(fjord_code, "P-functions"), ylim = c(0, 50))
```

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fl_DownloadFjord	<i>Download fjord PAR data as NetCDF files.</i>
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### 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.

### Usage

```
fl_DownloadFjord(fjord, dirdata = NULL)
```

### Arguments

<code>fjord</code>	Expects a character vector for one of the 8 available fjords. See <a href="#">fl_ListFjords</a> for the list of possible choices.
<code>dirdata</code>	The directory where the user would like to download the data. Default is "Fjord-Light.d".

### Value

The downloaded NetCDF file contains the following variables:

<code>bathymetry</code>	<code>depth [m]</code>
<code>land</code>	<code>elevation [m]</code>
<code>area</code>	<code>PixelArea_km2 [m]</code>
<code>AreaOfCoastalZone</code>	<code>Surface of Sea floor with a depth of between 0 and 200 meters [km2]</code>
<code>etc...</code>	

### Author(s)

Bernard Gentili

### Examples

```
# Choose a fjord
fjord_code <- "test"

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

fl_DownloadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = tempdir())
```

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fl_ListFjords	<i>Simply lists the names of fjords with available data.</i>
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**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 8 different character vectors representing a range of fjords in the EU Arctic.

**Author(s)**

Bernard Gentili

**Examples**

```
fl_ListFjords()
```

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fl_LoadFjord	<i>Load fjord PAR data from a NetCDF file downloaded by FjordLight.</i>
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**Description**

This functions will load into the R environment the data within one NetCDF file that has been downloaded via [fl\\_DownloadFjord](#).

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

fjord	Expects a character vector for one of the 8 available fjords. See <a href="#">fl_ListFjords</a> for the list of possible choices.
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**

```
# Choose fjord
fjord_code <- "test"

# Load global, annual, and monthly climatologies
fjorddata <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code, dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"))

# Load ALL data
fjorddata_full <- fl_LoadFjord(fjord_code,
                              dirdata = system.file("extdata", package = "FjordLight"), TS = TRUE)
```

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fl\_topocolorscale      *Create a colour palette for bathymetry plots.*

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**Description**

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

**Usage**

```
fl_topocolorscale(v)
```

**Arguments**

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

```
fl_topocolorscale(-200)
```



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