

# Package ‘chromConverter’

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call\_entab                      *Call Entab*

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## Description

Converts chromatography data files using **entab** parsers.

## Usage

```
call_entab(  
  path,  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  format_in = "",  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")  
)
```

## Arguments

**path**                      Path to file.  
**data\_format**              Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.  
**format\_out**                Class of output. Either `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`.  
**format\_in**                 Format of input.  
**read\_metadata**            Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to `TRUE`.  
**metadata\_format**            Format to output metadata. Either `chromconverter` or `raw`.

## Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by the `format_out` and `data_format` arguments.

## See Also

Other external parsers: [call\\_openchrom\(\)](#), [call\\_rainbow\(\)](#), [read\\_thermoraw\(\)](#), [sp\\_converter\(\)](#), [uv\\_converter\(\)](#)

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 call\_openchrom

*Parse files with OpenChrom*


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### Description

Writes xml batch-files and calls OpenChrom file parsers using a system call to the command-line interface. Unfortunately, the command-line interface is no longer supported in newer versions of OpenChrom (starting with version 1.5.0) and older versions of OpenChrom that do support the command line interface are no longer available from Lablicate. Thus, this function is deprecated since it will only work if you happen to have access to OpenChrom version 1.4.0, which has been scrubbed from the internet.

### Usage

```
call_openchrom(
  files,
  path_out = NULL,
  format_in,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  export_format = c("mzml", "csv", "cdf", "animl"),
  return_paths = FALSE,
  verbose = getOption("verbose")
)
```

### Arguments

files	Path to files.
path_out	Directory to export converted files.
format_in	Either msd for mass spectrometry data, csd for flame ionization data, or wsd for DAD/UV data.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
export_format	Either mzml, csv, cdf, animl. Defaults to mzml.
return_paths	Logical. If TRUE, the function will return a character vector of paths to the newly created files.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print output from OpenChrom to the console.

### Details

The call\_openchrom function works by creating an xml batchfile and feeding it to the OpenChrom command-line interface. OpenChrom batchfiles consist of InputEntries (specifying the files you want to convert) and ProcessEntries (specifying what you want to do to the files). The parsers are organized into broad categories by detector-type and output format. The detector-types are msd (mass selective detectors), csd (current selective detectors, e.g., FID, ECD, NPD), and wsd (wavelength selective detectors, e.g., DAD, and UV/VIS). Thus, when calling the OpenChrom parsers, one of these three options must be specified using the format\_in argument.

**Value**

If `return_paths` is `FALSE`, the function will return a list of chromatograms (if an appropriate parser is available to import the files into R). The chromatograms will be returned in `matrix` or `data.frame` format according to the value of `format_out`. If `return_paths` is `TRUE`, the function will return a character vector of paths to the newly created files.

**Side effects**

Chromatograms will be exported in the format specified by `export_format` in the folder specified by `path_out`.

**Note**

Activating the OpenChrom command-line will deactivate the graphical user interface (GUI). Thus, if you wish to continue using the OpenChrom GUI, it is recommended to create a separate command-line version of OpenChrom to call from R.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**References**

Wenig, Philip and Odermatt, Juergen. OpenChrom: A Cross-Platform Open Source Software for the Mass Spectrometric Analysis of Chromatographic Data. *BMC Bioinformatics* **11**, no. 1 (July 30, 2010): 405. doi:10.1186/1471210511405.

**See Also**

Other external parsers: [call\\_entab\(\)](#), [call\\_rainbow\(\)](#), [read\\_thermoraw\(\)](#), [sp\\_converter\(\)](#), [uv\\_converter\(\)](#)

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call\_rainbow

*Call 'rainbow' parsers Parse 'Agilent' or 'Waters' files with rainbow parsers*

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**Description**

Uses **rainbow** parsers to read in Agilent (.D) and Waters (.raw) files. If `format_in` is "agilent\_d" or "waters\_raw", a directory of the appropriate format (.D or .raw) should be provided to the `path` argument. If `format_in` is "chemstation\_uv" a .uv file should be provided. Data can be filtered by detector type using the `what` argument.

**Usage**

```
call_rainbow(
  path,
  format_in = c("agilent_d", "waters_raw", "masshunter", "chemstation", "chemstation_uv",
    "chemstation_fid", "chemstation_ms"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  by = c("detector", "name"),
  what = NULL,
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE,
  precision = 1,
  sparse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to file.
format_in	Format of the supplied files. Either <code>agilent_d</code> , <code>waters_raw</code> , or <code>chemstation</code> .
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
by	How to order the list that is returned. Either <code>detector</code> (default) or <code>name</code> .
what	What types of data to return (e.g. MS, UV, CAD, ELSD). This argument only applies if <code>by == "detector"</code> .
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.
precision	Number of decimals to round m/z values. Defaults to 1.
sparse	Logical. Whether to return MS data in sparse format (excluding zeros). Defaults to TRUE. Applies only when data are requested in long format.

**Value**

Returns a (nested) list of matrices or data.frames according to the value of `format_out`. Data is ordered according to the value of `by`.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other external parsers: [call\\_entab\(\)](#), [call\\_openchrom\(\)](#), [read\\_thermoraw\(\)](#), [sp\\_converter\(\)](#), [uv\\_converter\(\)](#)

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configure\_openchrom     *Configure 'OpenChrom' parser*

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### Description

Configures **OpenChrom** to use command-line interface. Requires OpenChrom version prior to 0.5.0.

### Usage

```
configure_openchrom(cli = c("null", "true", "false", "status"), path = NULL)
```

### Arguments

cli	Defaults to NULL. If "true", R will rewrite openchrom ini file to enable CLI. If "false", R will disable CLI. If NULL, R will not modify the ini file.
path	Path to 'OpenChrom' executable (Optional). The supplied path will overwrite the current path.

### Value

If cli is set to "status", returns a Boolean value indicating whether 'OpenChrom' is configured correctly. Otherwise, returns the path to OpenChrom command-line application.

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

### See Also

[call\\_openchrom](#)

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extract\_metadata     *Extract metadata*

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### Description

Extract metadata as a `data.frame`, `data.table` or `tibble` from a list of chromatograms.

**Usage**

```
extract_metadata(
  chrom_list,
  what = c("instrument", "detector", "detector_id", "software", "method", "batch",
           "operator", "run_datetime", "sample_name", "sample_id", "injection_volume",
           "time_range", "time_interval", "time_unit", "detector_range", "detector_y_unit",
           "detector_x_unit", "intensity_multiplier", "scaled", "source_file",
           "source_file_format", "source_sha1", "data_format", "parser", "format_out"),
  format_out = c("data.frame", "data.table", "tibble")
)
```

**Arguments**

chrom_list	A list of chromatograms with attached metadata (as returned by read_chroms with read_metadata = TRUE).
what	A character vector specifying the metadata elements to extract.
format_out	Format of object. Either data.frame, data.table or tibble.

**Value**

A data.frame, tibble, or data.table (according to the value of format\_out), with samples as rows and the specified metadata elements as columns.

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print.chrom_list	<i>Print a chrom_list object</i>
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**Description**

Prints a summary of a chrom\_list without displaying the underlying chromatographic data. Attributes that are constant across all chromatograms are collapsed into a single header line, while varying attributes are shown as a table truncated to the first n rows.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'chrom_list'
print(
  x,
  n = 5,
  cols = c("sample_name", "run_datetime", "method", "detector"),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	A <code>chrom_list</code> object.
n	Integer. Maximum number of chromatograms to show in the table. Defaults to 10.
cols	Character vector of attribute names to extract and display. Defaults to <code>c("sample_name", "run_datetime", "method", "detector")</code> .
...	Additional arguments (currently ignored).

**Value**

Invisibly returns x.

**See Also**

[extract\\_metadata](#)

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read_acaml	<i>Read 'Agilent' ACAML files from directory.</i>
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**Description**

Extracts injection metadata from 'Agilent Common Analytical Markup Language' (ACAML) files into an R object.

**Usage**

```
read_acaml(
  path,
  find_files,
  format_out = c("data.frame", "data.table", "tibble"),
  progress_bar = TRUE,
  cl = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path(s) to ACAML files or to folders that contain the files.
find_files	Logical. Set to TRUE (default) if you are providing the function with a folder or vector of folders containing the files. Otherwise, set to FALSE.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
progress_bar	Logical. Whether to show progress bar. Defaults to TRUE if <code>pbapply</code> is installed.
cl	Argument to <code>pbapply</code> specifying the number of clusters to use or a cluster object created by <code>makeCluster</code> . Defaults to 1.

**Details**

ACAML is an XML-based format used by Agilent OpenLab to store sequence and sample metadata. This function extracts information from the InjectionMetaData nodes embedded in the InjectionMetaDataItems custom field files, which do not seem to be readily accessible through other means.

**Value**

A data.frame, data.table or tibble (according to the value of format\_out) containing sample metadata derived from the supplied ACAML files.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
read_acaml(path)

## End(Not run)
```

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read_agilent_amx	<i>Read Agilent AMX method file</i>
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**Description**

Parses an Agilent .amx method archive, extracting instrument parameters from one or more of its driver sub-files.

**Usage**

```
read_agilent_amx(
  path,
  what = c("dad", "pump", "comp", "sampler"),
  path_out = NULL,
  format_out = c("data.frame", "tibble", "data.table"),
  gradient_format = c("wide", "long")
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to the .amx file.
what	One or more instrument modules to parse. Any combination of "dad", "pump", "comp", and "sampler". Defaults to all four.
path_out	Directory into which the archive is extracted. If NULL (default), a temporary directory is used and cleaned up on exit.
format_out	Class of output (for tables). Either "data.frame", "tibble" or "data.table".
gradient_format	Whether to return the gradient in "wide" (default) or "long" format.

**Value**

A named list with one element per parsed module, plus "metadata". Elements present depend on what; see below for the structure of each.

metadata — a list with scalar elements:

method\_name Original method name.

version Method version string.

status Approval state.

created Creation timestamp (POSIXct, UTC).

created\_by Username of creator.

modified Last-modified timestamp (POSIXct, UTC).

modified\_by Username of last modifier.

pump — a list with scalar elements flow\_mL\_min, stop\_time\_min, post\_time\_min, pressure\_low\_bar, pressure\_high\_bar, plus:

solvents A data.frame of active solvent channels: channel, percentage, solvent.

gradient A data.frame of timetable entries. Wide format (default): time\_min plus one pct\_<channel> column per active channel. Long format: time\_min, channel, percent.

dad — a list with scalar elements peakwidth\_nm, slitwidth\_nm, uv\_lamp\_required, vis\_lamp\_required, spectra\_from\_nm, spectra\_to\_nm, spectra\_step\_nm, plus:

signals A data.frame of active signals: id, wavelength\_nm, bandwidth\_nm.

comp — a list with scalar element post\_time\_min, plus:

temp\_controls Two-row data.frame (Left/Right): side, temperature\_C, not\_ready\_limit\_C, equilibration\_time\_min.

sampler — a list with scalar elements: thermostat\_installed, draw\_speed\_uL\_min, eject\_speed\_uL\_min, wait\_after\_draw\_min, injection\_volume\_uL, wash\_time\_s.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
read_agilent_amx(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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read_agilent_d	<i>Read files from 'Agilent' .D directories</i>
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### Description

Reads files from 'Agilent' .D directories.

### Usage

```
read_agilent_d(  
  path,  
  what = c("dad", "chroms", "peak_table"),  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),  
  collapse = TRUE  
)
```

### Arguments

path	Path to 'Agilent' .D directory.
what	Whether to extract chromatograms (chroms), DAD data (dad) and/or peak tables (peak_table). Accepts multiple arguments.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

### Details

Currently this function is limited to reading .uv, .ch and peak\_table elements.

### Value

A list of chromatograms in the format specified by data\_format and format\_out. If data\_format is wide, the chromatograms will be returned with retention times as rows and columns containing signal intensity for each signal. If long format is requested, retention times will be in the first column. The format\_out argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a matrix, data.frame or data.table. Metadata can be attached to the chromatogram as [attributes](#) if read\_metadata is TRUE.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
read_agilent_d("tests/testthat/testdata/RUTIN2.D")
```

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read_agilent_dx	<i>Read 'Agilent' DX files</i>
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**Description**

Reads 'Agilent' .dx files.

**Usage**

```
read_agilent_dx(
  path,
  what = c("chroms", "dad"),
  path_out = NULL,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to Agilent .dx file.
what	Whether to extract chromatograms (chroms), DAD data (dad) and/or auxiliary instrumental data (instrument) (e.g., temperature, pressure, solvent composition, etc.). Accepts multiple arguments.
path_out	A directory to export unzipped files. If a path is not specified, the files will be written to a temp directory on the disk. The function will overwrite existing folders in the specified directory that share the basename of the file specified by path.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.

metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

### Details

This function unzips 'Agilent' .dx into a temporary directory using [unzip](#) and calls the appropriate parser on the unzipped file.

### Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by format\_out (retention time x wavelength).

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

### See Also

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
read_agilent_dx(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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read\_asm

*Read 'Allotrope Simple Model' (ASM) 2D chromatograms*

---

### Description

Reads 'Allotrope Simple Model' files into R.

### Usage

```
read_asm(  
  path,  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),  
  collapse = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to ASM .json file.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

**Value**

A 2D chromatogram in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. If long format is requested, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a matrix, data.frame, or data.table. Metadata can be attached to the chromatogram as [attributes](#) if `read_metadata` is TRUE.

**Author(s)**

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read\_cdf

*Read CDF*

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**Description**

Reads 'Analytical Data Interchange' (ANDI) netCDF (.cdf) files.

**Usage**

```
read_cdf(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  what = NULL,
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to ANDI netCDF file.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide or long format. For 2D files, "long" format returns the retention time as the first column of the <code>data.frame</code> or <code>matrix</code> while "wide" format returns the retention time as the rownames of the object. This argument applies only to 2D chromatograms, since MS data will always be returned in long format.
what	For ANDI <code>chrom</code> files, whether to extract <code>chroms</code> and/or <code>peak_table</code> . For ANDI <code>ms</code> files, whether to extract MS1 scans (MS1) or the total ion chromatogram (TIC).
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
...	Additional arguments to parser. The <code>ms_format</code> argument can be used here to specify whether to return mass spectra in <code>list</code> format or as a <code>data.frame</code> .

**Value**

A chromatogram in the format specified by the `format_out` and `data_format` arguments.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

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read\_chemstation\_ch    *Read 'Agilent ChemStation' CH files*

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**Description**

Reads 'Agilent ChemStation' `.ch` files.

**Usage**

```
read_chemstation_ch(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  scale = TRUE,
  source_file = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

path	Path to 'Agilent' .ch file.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
scale	Whether to scale the data by the scaling factor present in the file. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> . 'MassHunter' seems to ignore the scaling factor in at least some types of 'ChemStation' files.
source_file	Source file from which chromatogram data was originally derived.

### Details

'Agilent' .ch files come in several different formats. This parser can automatically detect and read several versions of these files from 'Agilent ChemStation' and 'Agilent OpenLab', including versions 30 and 130, which are generally produced by ultraviolet detectors, as well as 81, 179, and 181 which are generally produced by flame ionization (FID) detectors.

### Value

A 2D chromatogram in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. If long format is requested, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`. Metadata can be attached to the chromatogram as `attributes` if `read_metadata` is `TRUE`.

### Note

This function was adapted from the [Chromatography Toolbox](#) (© James Dillon 2014).

### Author(s)

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### See Also

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
read_chemstation_ch("tests/testthat/testdata/chemstation_130.ch")
```

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read\_chemstation\_csv *Read 'Agilent ChemStation' CSV files*

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### Description

Reads 'Agilent Chemstation' .csv files.

### Usage

```
read_chemstation_csv(  
  path,  
  format_out = "matrix",  
  data_format = "wide",  
  read_metadata = TRUE  
)
```

### Arguments

path	Path to 'Agilent' .csv file.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> . There is no instrumental metadata saved in the CSV files so this will only attach metadata about the settings used by <code>chromConverter</code> to parse the file.

### Details

'Agilent Chemstation' CSV files are encoded in UTF-16.

### Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by `format_out` and `data_format`.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
read_chemstation_csv("tests/testthat/testdata/dad1.csv")
```

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read\_chemstation\_ms    *Read 'Agilent ChemStation' MS file.*

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## Description

Reads 'Agilent ChemStation MSD Spectral Files' beginning with `x01/x32/x00/x00`.

## Usage

```
read_chemstation_ms(  
  path,  
  what = c("MS1", "BPC", "TIC"),  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = "long",  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),  
  collapse = TRUE  
)
```

## Arguments

path	Path to 'Agilent' .ms file.
what	What stream to get: current options are MS1, BPC and/or TIC. If a stream is not specified, the function will return all streams.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

## Value

A list of chromatograms in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, 2D chromatograms will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. Otherwise, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. MS data will always be returned in long format. The `format_out` argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`. Metadata can be attached to the chromatogram as [attributes](#) if `read_metadata` is TRUE.

## Note

Many thanks to Evan Shi and Eugene Kwan for providing helpful information on the structure of these files in the [rainbow documentation](#).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
read_chemstation_ms(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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```
read_chemstation_reports
```

*Read 'Agilent ChemStation' report files.*

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**Description**

Reads 'Agilent ChemStation' reports into R.

**Usage**

```
read_chemstation_reports(  
  paths,  
  data_format = c("chromatographr", "original"),  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")  
)
```

**Arguments**

paths	Paths to 'ChemStation' report files.
data_format	Format to output data. Either chromatographr or chemstation.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.

**Value**

A data.frame containing the information from the specified 'ChemStation' report.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_uv\(\)](#)

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read\_chemstation\_uv    *Read 'Agilent ChemStation' DAD files*

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**Description**

Agilent .uv files come in several different formats. This parser can automatically detect and read several versions of these files from 'Agilent ChemStation' and 'Agilent OpenLab', including versions 31 and 131.

**Usage**

```
read_chemstation_uv(  
  path,  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),  
  scale = TRUE,  
  source_file = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Agilent' .uv file.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
scale	Whether to scale the data by the scaling factor present in the file. Defaults to TRUE.
source_file	Source file from which UV data was originally derived.

**Value**

A 3D chromatogram in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram will be returned with retention times as rows and wavelengths as columns. If long format is requested, three columns will be returned: one for the retention time, one for the wavelength and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`. Metadata will be attached to the chromatogram as [attributes](#) if `read_metadata` is TRUE.

**Note**

This function was adapted from the parser in the rainbow project licensed under GPL 3 by Evan Shi <https://rainbow-api.readthedocs.io/en/latest/agilent/uv.html>.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Agilent' parsers: [read\\_agilent\\_d\(\)](#), [read\\_agilent\\_dx\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ch\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_csv\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_ms\(\)](#), [read\\_chemstation\\_reports\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
read_chemstation_uv("tests/testthat/testdata/dad1.uv")
```

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read_chromatotec	<i>Read 'Chromatotec' file</i>
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**Description**

Reads 'Chromatotec' .Chrom files.

**Usage**

```
read_chromatotec(
  path,
  what = c("chrom", "peak_table"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	The path to 'Chromatotec' .Chrom file.
what	Whether to extract chromatograms (chrom) and/or peak_table data. Accepts multiple arguments.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.

metadata\_format      Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.

collapse              Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

**Value**

A chromatogram and/or peak table from the specified path, according to the value of what. Chromatograms are returned in the format specified by format\_out.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
read_chromatotec(path)

## End(Not run)
```

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read\_chromeleon      *Read 'Chromeleon' ASCII files*

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**Description**

Reads 'Thermo Fisher Chromeleon™ CDS' ASCII (.txt) files.

**Usage**

```
read_chromeleon(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  decimal_mark = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

path                    Path to 'Chromeleon' ASCII file.

format\_out              Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.

data\_format            Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.

read\_metadata          Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.

metadata\_format        Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.

decimal\_mark Which character is used as the decimal separator in the file. By default, decimal mark will be detected automatically, but it can also be manually set as "." or ",",.

### Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by format\_out (retention time x wavelength).

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

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read_chroms	<i>Read Chromatograms</i>
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### Description

Reads chromatograms from specified folders or vector of paths using either an internal parser or bindings to an external library, such as [Aston](#), [Entab](#), [ThermoRawFileParser](#), [OpenChrom](#), [rainbow](#).

### Usage

```
read_chroms(
  paths,
  format_in = c("agilent_d", "agilent_dx", "asm", "chemstation", "chemstation_fid",
    "chemstation_ch", "chemstation_csv", "chemstation_ms", "chemstation_uv",
    "masshunter_dad", "chromeleon_uv", "chromatotec", "mzml", "mzxml", "mdf",
    "shimadzu_ascii", "shimadzu_dad", "shimadzu_fid", "shimadzu_gcd", "shimadzu_qgd",
    "shimadzu_lcd", "thermoraw", "varian_sms", "waters_arw", "waters_raw", "msd", "csd",
    "wsd", "csv", "other"),
  find_files,
  pattern = NULL,
  parser = c("", "chromconverter", "aston", "entab", "thermoraw", "openchrom", "rainbow"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  path_out = NULL,
  export_format = c("", "csv", "chemstation_csv", "cdf", "mzml", "animl", "arw"),
  force = FALSE,
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  progress_bar,
  cl = 1,
  verbose = getOption("verbose"),
  sample_names = c("basename", "sample_name"),
  dat = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

paths	Paths to data files or directories containing the files.
format_in	Format of files to be imported/converted. Current options include: <code>agilent_d</code> , <code>agilent_dx</code> , <code>chemstation</code> , <code>chemstation_uv</code> , <code>chemstation_ch</code> , <code>chemstation_csv</code> , <code>chemstation_ms</code> , <code>masshunter</code> , <code>masshunter_dad</code> , <code>chromeleon_uv</code> , <code>shimadzu_ascii</code> , <code>shimadzu_fid</code> , <code>shimadzu_dad</code> , <code>thermoraw</code> , <code>waters_arw</code> , <code>waters_raw</code> , <code>mzml</code> , <code>mzxml</code> , <code>cdf</code> , <code>mdf</code> , <code>msd</code> , <code>csd</code> , <code>wsd</code> , or other.
find_files	Logical. Set to TRUE (default) if you are providing the function with a folder or vector of folders containing the files. Otherwise, set to FALSE.
pattern	pattern (e.g. a file extension). Defaults to NULL, in which case file extension will be deduced from <code>format_in</code> .
parser	What parser to use (optional). Current options are <code>chromconverter</code> , <code>aston</code> , <code>entab</code> , <code>thermoraw</code> , <code>openchrom</code> , <code>rainbow</code> .
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to output data in wide or long format. Either <code>wide</code> (default) or <code>long</code> .
path_out	Path for exporting files. If path is not specified, the user will be prompted to create a temp directory.
export_format	Export format. Currently the options include <code>.csv</code> , <code>chemstation_csv</code> (utf-16 encoding), <code>cdf</code> , <code>mzml</code> , <code>animl</code> and <code>arw</code> .
force	Logical. Whether to overwrite files when exporting. Defaults to FALSE.
read_metadata	Logical, whether to attach metadata (if it's available). Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
progress_bar	Logical. Whether to show progress bar. Defaults to TRUE if <code>pbapply</code> is installed.
cl	Argument to <code>pbapply</code> specifying the number of clusters to use or a cluster object created by <code>makeCluster</code> . Defaults to 1.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print output from external parsers to the R console.
sample_names	Which sample names to use. Options are <code>basename</code> to use the filename (default) or <code>sample_name</code> to use the sample name encoded in the file metadata.
dat	Existing list of chromatograms to append results. Defaults to NULL.
...	Additional arguments to parser.

**Details**

Provides a unified interface to all `chromConverter` parsers. Currently recognizes 'Agilent ChemStation' (`.uv`, `.ch`, `.dx`), 'Agilent MassHunter' (`.dad`), 'Thermo RAW' (`.raw`), 'Waters ARW' (`.arw`), 'Waters RAW' (`.raw`), 'Chromeleon ASCII' (`.txt`), 'Shimadzu ASCII' (`.txt`), 'Shimadzu GCD' (`.gcd`), 'Shimadzu LCD' (`.lcd`, DAD and chromatogram streams) and 'Shimadzu QGD' (`.qgd`) files. Also, wraps 'OpenChrom' parsers, which include many additional formats. To use 'Entab', 'ThermoRawFileParser', or 'OpenChrom' parsers, they must be separately installed. Please see the instructions in the [README](#) for further details.

If paths to individual files are provided, `read_chroms` will try to infer the file format and select an appropriate parser. However, when providing paths to directories, the file format must be specified using the `format_in` argument.

**Value**

A list of chromatograms in `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table` format, according to the value of `format_out`. Chromatograms may be returned in either wide or long format according to the value of `data_format`.

**Side effects**

If `export_format` is provided, chromatograms will be exported in the specified format specified into the folder specified by `path_out`. Files can currently be converted to `csv`, `mzml`, `cdf`, `arw`. If an `openchrom` parser is selected, ANIML format is available as an additional option.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**Examples**

```
path <- "tests/testthat/testdata/dad1.uv"
chr <- read_chroms(path, find_files = FALSE, format_in = "chemstation_uv")
```

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read\_mdf

*Read 'Lumex' MDF*

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**Description**

Reads 'Lumex' .mdf files.

**Usage**

```
read_mdf(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>path</code>	The path to a 'Lumex' .mdf file.
<code>format_out</code>	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
<code>data_format</code>	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
<code>read_metadata</code>	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .

**Value**

A chromatogram in the format specified by the `format_out` and `data_format` arguments.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

read\_mzml

*Read mzML files***Description**

Extracts data from mzML files using parsers from either RaMS or mzR. The RaMS parser (default) will only return data in tidy (long) format. The mzR parser will return data in wide format. Currently the mzR-based parser is configured to return only DAD data.

**Usage**

```
read_mzml(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  parser = c("RaMS", "mzR"),
  what = c("MS1", "MS2", "BPC", "TIC", "DAD", "chroms", "metadata", "everything"),
  verbose = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to .mzml file.
format_out	Class of output. Only applies if mzR is selected. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> . RaMS will return a list of <code>data.tables</code> regardless of what is selected here.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
parser	What parser to use. Either RaMS or mzR.
what	What types of data to return (argument to <a href="#">RaMS::grabMSdata</a> ). Options include MS1, MS2, BPC, TIC, DAD, chroms, metadata, or everything).
verbose	Argument to <code>grabMSdata</code> controlling verbosity.
...	Additional arguments to <code>grabMSdata</code> .

**Value**

If RaMS is selected, the function will return a list of "tidy" `data.table` objects. If mzR is selected, the function will return a chromatogram in `matrix` or `data.frame` format according to the value of `format_out`.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

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read_peaklist	<i>Read peak lists</i>
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### Description

Reads peak lists from specified folders or vector of paths.

### Usage

```
read_peaklist(
  paths,
  find_files,
  format_in = c("chemstation", "shimadzu_fid", "shimadzu_dad", "shimadzu_lcd",
    "shimadzu_gcd", "chromatotec"),
  pattern = NULL,
  data_format = c("chromatographr", "original"),
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  progress_bar,
  cl = 1
)
```

### Arguments

paths	Paths to files or folders containing peak list files.
find_files	Logical. Set to TRUE (default) if you are providing the function with a folder or vector of folders containing the files. Otherwise, set to FALSE.
format_in	Format of files to be imported/converted. Current options include: chemstation, shimadzu_fid, shimadzu_dad, shimadzu_lcd, and shimadzu_gcd.
pattern	A pattern (e.g. a file extension). Defaults to NULL, in which case the file extension will be deduced from format_in.
data_format	Either chromatographr or original.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
progress_bar	Logical. Whether to show progress bar. Defaults to TRUE if pbapply is installed.
cl	Argument to <a href="#">pbapply</a> specifying the number of clusters to use or a cluster object created by <a href="#">makeCluster</a> . Defaults to 1.

### Value

A list of data.frames containing information about peaks where each list element represents a sample and each row represents an individual peak in that sample.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**Examples**

```
path <- "tests/testthat/testdata/RUTIN2.D"
peak_list <- read_peaklist(path)
peak_list[["RUTIN2"]][["254"]]
```

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read_shimadzu	<i>Read 'Shimadzu' ASCII</i>
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**Description**

Reads 'Shimadzu' ASCII (.txt) files. These files can be exported from 'Shimadzu LabSolutions' by right clicking on samples in the sample list and selecting File Conversion:Convert to ASCII.

**Usage**

```
read_shimadzu(
  path,
  what = "chroms",
  format_in = NULL,
  include = c("fid", "lc", "dad", "uv", "tic"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  peaktable_format = c("chromatographr", "original"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  ms_format = c("data.frame", "list"),
  collapse = TRUE,
  scale = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to Shimadzu .txt ASCII file.
what	Whether to extract chromatograms (chroms), peak_table, and/or ms_spectra. Accepts multiple arguments.
format_in	This argument is deprecated and is no longer required.
include	Which chromatograms to include. Options are fid, dad, uv, tic, and status.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
peaktable_format	Whether to return peak tables in chromatographr or original format.

read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
ms_format	Whether to return mass spectral data as a (long) data.frame or a list.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.
scale	Whether to scale the data by the scaling factor present in the file. Defaults to TRUE.

**Value**

A nested list of elements from the specified file, where the top levels are chromatograms, peak tables, and/or mass spectra according to the value of what. Chromatograms are returned in the format specified by format\_out.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\\_gcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_lcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_qgd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_2d\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_3d\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
path <- "tests/testthat/testdata/ladder.txt"
read_shimadzu(path)
```

---

read\_shimadzu\_gcd      *Read 'Shimadzu' GCD*

---

**Description**

Read chromatogram data streams from 'Shimadzu' .gcd files.

**Usage**

```
read_shimadzu_gcd(
  path,
  what = "chroms",
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

path	Path to 'Shimadzu' .gcd file.
what	What stream to get: current options are chromatograms (chroms) and/or peak lists (peak_table). If a stream is not specified, the function will default to chroms.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .

## Details

A parser to read chromatogram data streams from 'Shimadzu' .gcd files. GCD files are encoded as 'Microsoft' OLE documents. The parser relies on the `olefile` package in Python to unpack the files. The PDA data is encoded in a stream called PDA 3D Raw Data:3D Raw Data. The GCD data stream contains a segment for each retention time, beginning with a 24-byte header.

The 24 byte header consists of the following fields:

- 4 bytes: segment label (17234).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the sampling interval in milliseconds.
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the number of values in the file.
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the total number of bytes in the file (However, this seems to be off by a few bytes?).
- 8 bytes of `00s`

After the header, the data are simply encoded as 64-bit (little-endian) floating-point numbers. The retention times can be (approximately?) derived from the number of values and the sampling interval encoded in the header.

## Value

A 2D chromatogram in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. If long format is requested, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether the chromatogram is returned as a `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`. Metadata can be attached to the chromatogram as `attributes` if `read_metadata` is `TRUE`.

## Note

This parser is experimental and may still need some work. It is not yet able to interpret much metadata from the files.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_lcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_qgd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_2d\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_3d\(\)](#)

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read\_shimadzu\_lcd      *Read 'Shimadzu' LCD*

---

**Description**

Read 3D PDA or 2D chromatogram streams from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files.

**Usage**

```
read_shimadzu_lcd(
  path,
  what,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  scale = TRUE,
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Shimadzu' .lcd file.
what	What stream to get: current options are pda, chromatograms (chroms), tic, and/or peak lists (peak_table). If a stream is not specified, the function will default to pda if the PDA stream is present.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
scale	Whether to scale the data by the scaling factor present in the file. Defaults to TRUE.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

## Details

A parser to read data from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files. LCD files are encoded as 'Microsoft' OLE documents. The parser relies on the [olefile](#) package in Python to unpack the files. The PDA data is encoded in a stream called PDA 3D Raw Data:3D Raw Data. The PDA data stream contains a segment for each retention time, beginning with a 24-byte header.

The 24 byte header consists of the following fields:

- 4 bytes: segment label (17234).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the sampling rate along the time axis for 2D streams or along the spectral axis (?) for PDA streams.
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the number of values in the file (for 2D data) or the number of wavelength values in each segment (for 3D data).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the total number of bytes in the segment.
- 8 bytes of 00.

For 3D data, Each time point is divided into two sub-segments, which begin and end with an integer specifying the length of the sub-segment in bytes. 2D data are structured similarly but with more segments. All known values in this the LCD data streams are little-endian and the data are delta-encoded. The first hexadecimal digit of each value is a sign digit specifying the number of bytes in the delta and whether the value is positive or negative. The sign digit represents the number of hexadecimal digits used to encode each value. Even numbered sign digits correspond to positive deltas, whereas odd numbers indicate negative deltas. Positive values are encoded as little-endian integers, while negative values are encoded as two's complements. The value at each position is derived by subtracting the delta at each position from the previous value.

## Value

A chromatogram or list of chromatograms in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram(s) will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. If long format is requested, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether chromatograms are returned in `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table` format. Metadata will be attached to the chromatogram as [attributes](#) when `read_metadata` is TRUE.

## Note

My parsing of the date-time format seems to be a little off, since the acquisition times diverge slightly from the ASCII file.

## Author(s)

Ethan Bass

## See Also

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_gcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_qgd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_2d\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_3d\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
read_shimadzu_lcd(path)

## End(Not run)
```

---

read\_shimadzu\_qgd      *Read 'Shimadzu' QGD files*

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**Description**

Reads 'Shimadzu GCMSsolution' .qgd GC-MS data files.

**Usage**

```
read_shimadzu_qgd(
  path,
  what = c("MS1", "TIC"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Shimadzu' .qgd file.
what	What stream to get: current options are MS1 and/or TIC. If a stream is not specified, the function will return both streams.
format_out	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

**Details**

The MS data is stored in the "GCMS Raw Data" storage, which contains a MS Raw Data stream with MS scans, a TIC Data stream containing the total ion chromatogram, and a Retention Time stream containing the retention times. All known values are little-endian. The retention time stream is a simple array of 4-byte integers. The TIC stream is a simple array of 8-byte integers corresponding to retention times stored in the retention time stream. The MS Raw Data stream is blocked by retention time. Each block begins with a header consisting of the following elements:

- scan number (4-byte integer)
- retention time (4-byte integer)
- unknown (12-bytes)
- number of bytes in intensity values (2-byte integer)
- unknown (8-bytes)

After the header, the rest of the block consists of an array of m/z values and intensities. The m/z values are encoded as 2-byte integers where each m/z value is scaled by a factor of 20. Intensities are encoded as (unsigned) integers with variable byte-length defined by the value in the header.

### Value

A chromatogram or list of chromatograms in the format specified by `data_format` and `format_out`. If `data_format` is wide, the chromatogram(s) will be returned with retention times as rows and a single column for the intensity. If long format is requested, two columns will be returned: one for the retention time and one for the intensity. The `format_out` argument determines whether chromatograms are returned as a `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table`. Metadata will be attached to the chromatogram as `attributes` if `read_metadata` is TRUE.

### Note

This parser is experimental and may still need some work. It is not yet able to interpret much metadata from the files.

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

### See Also

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_gcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_lcd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_2d\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_3d\(\)](#)

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read\_sz\_lcd\_2d

*Read 'Shimadzu' LCD 2D data*

---

### Description

Reads 2D PDA data stream from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files.

**Usage**

```
read_sz_lcd_2d(
    path,
    format_out = "data.frame",
    data_format = "wide",
    read_metadata = TRUE,
    metadata_format = "shimadzu_lcd",
    scale = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Shimadzu' .lcd 2D data file.
format_out	Matrix or data.frame.
data_format	Either wide (default) or long.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
scale	Whether to scale the data by the value factor.

**Details**

A parser to read chromatogram data streams from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files. LCD files are encoded as 'Microsoft' OLE documents. The parser relies on the [olefile](#) package in Python to unpack the files. The chromatogram data is encoded in streams titled LSS Raw Data:Chromatogram Ch<#>. The chromatogram data streams begin with a 24-byte header.

The 24 byte header consists of the following fields:

- 4 bytes: segment label (17234).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the sampling rate (in milliseconds).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the number of values in the file.
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the total number of bytes in the file.
- 8 bytes of 00s

Each segment is divided into multiple sub-segments, which begin and end with an integer specifying the length of the sub-segment in bytes. All known values in this data stream are little-endian and the data are delta-encoded. The first hexadecimal digit of each value is a sign digit specifying the number of bytes in the delta and whether the value is positive or negative. The sign digit represents the number of hexadecimal digits used to encode each value. Even numbered sign digits correspond to positive deltas, whereas odd numbers indicate negative deltas. Positive values are encoded as little-endian integers, while negative values are encoded as two's complements. The value at each position is derived by subtracting the delta at each position from the previous value.

**Value**

One or more 2D chromatograms from the chromatogram streams in matrix or data.frame format, according to the value of format\_out. If multiple chromatograms are found, they will be returned as a list of or long format according to the value of data\_format'.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_gcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_lcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_qgd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_3d\(\)](#)

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read_sz_lcd_3d	<i>Read 'Shimadzu' LCD 3D data</i>
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**Description**

Reads 3D PDA data stream from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files.

**Usage**

```
read_sz_lcd_3d(  
    path,  
    format_out = "matrix",  
    data_format = "wide",  
    read_metadata = TRUE,  
    metadata_format = "shimadzu_lcd",  
    scale = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Shimadzu' .lcd 3D data file.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Either wide (default) or long.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
scale	Whether to scale the data by the value factor.

**Details**

A parser to read PDA data from 'Shimadzu' .lcd files. LCD files are encoded as 'Microsoft' OLE documents. The parser relies on the [olefile](#) package in Python to unpack the files. The PDA data is encoded in a stream called PDA 3D Raw Data:3D Raw Data. The PDA data stream contains a segment for each retention time, beginning with a 24-byte header.

The 24 byte header consists of the following fields:

- 4 bytes: segment label (17234).

- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the wavelength bandwidth (?).
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the number of wavelength values in the segment.
- 4 bytes: Little-endian integer specifying the total number of bytes in the segment.
- 8 bytes of 00s

Each segment is divided into two sub-segments, which begin and end with an integer specifying the length of the sub-segment in bytes. All known values in this data stream are little-endian and the data are delta-encoded. The first hexadecimal digit of each value is a sign digit specifying the number of bytes in the delta and whether the value is positive or negative. The sign digit represents the number of hexadecimal digits used to encode each value. Even numbered sign digits correspond to positive deltas, whereas odd numbers indicate negative deltas. Positive values are encoded as little-endian integers, while negative values are encoded as two's complements. The value at each position is derived by subtracting the delta at each position from the previous value.

### Value

A 3D chromatogram from the PDA stream in `matrix`, `data.frame`, or `data.table` format, according to the value of `format_out`. The chromatograms will be returned in wide or long format according to the value of `data_format`.

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

### See Also

Other 'Shimadzu' parsers: [read\\_shimadzu\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_gcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_lcd\(\)](#), [read\\_shimadzu\\_qgd\(\)](#), [read\\_sz\\_lcd\\_2d\(\)](#)

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read_thermoraw	<i>Read ThermoRaw</i>
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### Description

Converts ThermoRawFiles to mzML by calling the [ThermoRawFileParser](#) from the command-line.

### Usage

```
read_thermoraw(
  path,
  path_out = NULL,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw"),
  verbose = getOption("verbose")
)
```

## Arguments

path	Path to 'Thermo' .raw file.
path_out	Path to directory to export mzML files. If path_out isn't specified, a temp directory will be used.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print output from ThermoRawFileParser to the console.

## Details

To use this function, the ThermoRawFileParser must be manually installed.

## Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by the format\_out and data\_format arguments.

## Side effects

Exports chromatograms in mzML format to the folder specified by path\_out.

## Author(s)

Ethan Bass

## References

Hulstaert Niels, Jim Shofstahl, Timo Sachsenberg, Mathias Walzer, Harald Barsnes, Lennart Martens, and Yasset Perez-Riverol. ThermoRawFileParser: Modular, Scalable, and Cross-Platform RAW File Conversion. *Journal of Proteome Research* **19**, no. 1 (January 3, 2020): 537–42. doi:10.1021/acs.jproteome.9b00328.

## See Also

Other external parsers: [call\\_entab\(\)](#), [call\\_openchrom\(\)](#), [call\\_rainbow\(\)](#), [sp\\_converter\(\)](#), [uv\\_converter\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
read_thermoraw(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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read\_varian\_peaklist    *Read 'Varian' peak list.*

---

**Description**

Read peak list(s) from 'Varian MS Workstation'.

**Usage**

```
read_varian_peaklist(path)
```

**Arguments**

path                    Path to 'Varian' peak list file.

**Value**

A data.frame containing the information from the specified report.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Varian' parsers: [read\\_varian\\_sms\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
read_varian_peaklist(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

read\_varian\_sms            *Read 'Varian' SMS*

---

**Description**

Reads 'Varian Workstation' SMS files.

**Usage**

```
read_varian_sms(
  path,
  what = c("MS1", "TIC", "BPC"),
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = "long",
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  collapse = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to 'Varian' .SMS files.
what	Whether to extract chromatograms (chroms) and/or MS1 data. Accepts multiple arguments.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
collapse	Logical. Whether to collapse lists that only contain a single element. Defaults to TRUE.

**Details**

Varian SMS files begin with a "DIRECTORY" with offsets for each section. The first section (in all the files I've been able to inspect) is "MSData" generally beginning at byte 3238. This MSData section is in turn divided into two sections. The first section (after a short header) contains chromatogram data. Some of the information found in this section includes scan numbers, retention times, (as 64-bit floats), the total ion chromatogram (TIC), the base peak chromatogram (BPC), ion time ( $\mu$ sec), as well as some other unidentified information. The scan numbers and intensities for the TIC and BPC are stored at 4-byte little-endian integers. Following this section, there is a series of null bytes, followed by a series of segments containing the mass spectra.

The encoding scheme for the mass spectra is somewhat more complicated. Each scan is represented by a series of values of variable length separated from the next scan by two null bytes. Within these segments, values are paired. The first value in each pair represents the delta-encoded mass-to-charge ratio, while the second value represents the intensity of the signal. Values in this section are variable-length, big-endian integers that are encoded using a selective bit masking based on the leading digit (d) of each value. The length of each integer seems to be determined as  $1 + (d \% \% 4)$ . Integers beginning with digits 0-3 are simple 2-byte integers. If  $d \geq 4$ , values are determined by masking to preserve the lowest n bits according to the following scheme:

- d = 4-5 -> preserve lowest 13 bits
- d = 6-7 -> preserve lowest 14 bits
- d = 8-9 -> preserve lowest 21 bits
- d = 10-11 (A-B) -> preserve lowest 22 bits
- d = 12-13 (C-D) -> preserve lowest 27 bits
- d = 14-15 (E-F) -> preserve lowest 28 bits (?)

**Value**

A chromatogram or list of chromatograms from the specified file, according to the value of `what`. Chromatograms are returned in the format specified by `format_out`.

**Note**

There is still only limited support for the extraction of metadata from this file format. Also, the timestamp conversions aren't quite right.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Varian' parsers: [read\\_varian\\_peaklist\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
read_varian_sms(path)

## End(Not run)
```

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read_waters_arw	<i>Read 'Waters' ASCII (.arw)</i>
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**Description**

Reads 'Waters' ASCII .arw files.

**Usage**

```
read_waters_arw(
  path,
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),
  read_metadata = TRUE,
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>path</code>	Path to Waters .arw file.
<code>format_out</code>	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
<code>data_format</code>	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
<code>read_metadata</code>	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>metadata_format</code>	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .

**Details**

For help exporting files from Empower, you can consult the official documentation: [How\\_to\\_export\\_3D\\_raw\\_data\\_from\\_Empower](#)

**Value**

A chromatogram in the format specified by the `format_out` and `data_format` arguments.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Waters' parsers: [read\\_waters\\_raw\(\)](#)

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read_waters_raw	<i>Read 'Waters' RAW</i>
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**Description**

Reads 'Waters MassLynx' (.raw) files into R.

**Usage**

```
read_waters_raw(  
  path,  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>path</code>	Path to Waters .raw file.
<code>format_out</code>	Class of output. Either <code>matrix</code> , <code>data.frame</code> , or <code>data.table</code> .
<code>data_format</code>	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
<code>read_metadata</code>	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>metadata_format</code>	Format to output metadata. Either <code>chromconverter</code> or <code>raw</code> .

**Value**

A chromatogram in the format specified by the `format_out` and `data_format` arguments.

**Note**

For now this parser only reads 1D chromatograms (not mass spectra or DAD data) and does not support parsing of metadata from 'Waters' RAW files.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other 'Waters' parsers: [read\\_waters\\_arw\(\)](#)

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sp\_converter

*Converter for 'Agilent MassHunter' UV files*

---

**Description**

Converts a single chromatogram from MassHunter .sp format to R data.frame using the [Aston](#) file parser.

**Usage**

```
sp_converter(  
  path,  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")  
)
```

**Arguments**

path	Path to file.
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.

**Value**

A chromatogram in the format specified by the format\_out and data\_format arguments.

**See Also**

Other external parsers: [call\\_entab\(\)](#), [call\\_openchrom\(\)](#), [call\\_rainbow\(\)](#), [read\\_thermoraw\(\)](#), [uv\\_converter\(\)](#)

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uv_converter	<i>Converter for 'Agilent ChemStation' UV files</i>
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## Description

Converts a single chromatogram from ChemStation .uv format to R data.frame.

## Usage

```
uv_converter(  
  path,  
  format_out = c("matrix", "data.frame", "data.table"),  
  data_format = c("wide", "long"),  
  correction = TRUE,  
  read_metadata = TRUE,  
  metadata_format = c("chromconverter", "raw")  
)
```

## Arguments

path	Path to file
format_out	Class of output. Either matrix, data.frame, or data.table.
data_format	Whether to return data in wide (default) or long format.
correction	Logical. Whether to apply empirical correction. Defaults is TRUE.
read_metadata	Logical. Whether to attach metadata. Defaults to TRUE.
metadata_format	Format to output metadata. Either chromconverter or raw.

## Details

Uses the [Aston](#) file parser.

## Value

A chromatogram in the format specified by the format\_out and data\_format arguments.

## See Also

Other external parsers: [call\\_entab\(\)](#), [call\\_openchrom\(\)](#), [call\\_rainbow\(\)](#), [read\\_thermoraw\(\)](#), [sp\\_converter\(\)](#)

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write\_andi\_chrom      *Write ANDI chrom CDF file from chromatogram*

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### Description

Exports a chromatogram in ANDI (Analytical Data Interchange) chromatography format (ASTM E1947-98). This format can only accommodate unidimensional data. For two-dimensional chromatograms, the column to export can be specified using the `lambda` argument. Otherwise, a warning will be generated and the first column of the chromatogram will be exported.

### Usage

```
write_andi_chrom(x, path_out, sample_name = NULL, lambda = NULL, force = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A chromatogram in (wide) format.
<code>path_out</code>	The path to write the file.
<code>sample_name</code>	The name of the file. If a name is not provided, the name will be derived from the <code>sample_name</code> attribute.
<code>lambda</code>	The wavelength to export (for 2-dimensional chromatograms). Must be a string matching one the columns in <code>x</code> or the index of the column to export.
<code>force</code>	Whether to overwrite existing files at the specified path. Defaults to <code>FALSE</code> .

### Value

Invisibly returns the path to the written CDF file.

### Side effects

Exports a chromatogram in ANDI chromatography format (netCDF) in the directory specified by `path_out`. The file will be named according to the value of `sample_name`. If no `sample_name` is provided, the `sample_name` attribute will be used if it exists.

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

### See Also

Other write functions: [write\\_chroms\(\)](#), [write\\_mzml\(\)](#)

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write_chroms	<i>Write chromatograms</i>
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### Description

Writes chromatograms to disk in the format specified by `export_format`: either `mzml`, `cdf`, `csv`, or `arw`.

### Usage

```
write_chroms(  
  chrom_list,  
  path_out,  
  export_format = c("mzml", "cdf", "csv", "arw"),  
  what = "",  
  force = FALSE,  
  show_progress = TRUE,  
  verbose = getOption("verbose"),  
  ...  
)
```

### Arguments

<code>chrom_list</code>	A list of chromatograms.
<code>path_out</code>	Path to directory for writing files.
<code>export_format</code>	Format to export files: either <code>"mzml"</code> , <code>"cdf"</code> , <code>"csv"</code> , <code>"arw"</code> .
<code>what</code>	What to write. Argument to <code>write_cdf</code> and <code>write_mzml</code> . Either <code>"MS1"</code> or <code>"chrom"</code> .
<code>force</code>	Logical. Whether to overwrite existing files. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>show_progress</code>	Logical. Whether to show progress bar. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>verbose</code>	Logical. Whether to print verbose output.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments to write function.

### Value

No return value. The function is called for its side effects.

### Side effects

Exports a chromatogram in the file format specified by `export_format` in the directory specified by `path_out`.

### Author(s)

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other write functions: [write\\_andi\\_chrom\(\)](#), [write\\_mzml\(\)](#)

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 write\_mzml

*Write mzML*


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**Description**

This function constructs mzML files by writing XML strings directly to a file connection. While this approach is fast, it may be less flexible than methods based on an explicit Document Object Model (DOM).

**Usage**

```
write_mzml(
  data,
  path_out,
  sample_name = NULL,
  what = NULL,
  instrument_info = NULL,
  compress = TRUE,
  indexed = TRUE,
  force = FALSE,
  show_progress = TRUE,
  verbose = getOption("verbose")
)
```

**Arguments**

data	List of data.frames or data.tables containing spectral data.
path_out	The path to write the file.
sample_name	The name of the file. If a name is not provided, the name will be derived from the sample_name attribute.
what	Which streams to write to mzML: "MS1", "MS2", "TIC", "BPC", and/or "DAD".
instrument_info	Instrument info to write to mzML file.
compress	Logical. Whether to use zlib compression. Defaults to TRUE.
indexed	Logical. Whether to write indexed mzML. Defaults to TRUE.
force	Logical. Whether to overwrite existing files at path_out. Defaults to FALSE.
show_progress	Logical. Whether to show progress bar. Defaults to TRUE.
verbose	Logical. Whether or not to print status messages.

**Details**

The function supports writing various types of spectral data including MS1, TIC (Total Ion Current), BPC (Base Peak Chromatogram), and DAD (Diode Array Detector) data. DAD spectra are written as electromagnetic radiation spectra (MS:1000804) using Thermo's naming convention with controllerType=4 in the spectrum ID for compatibility with existing tools. Support for MS2 may be added in a future release.

If `indexed = TRUE`, the function will generate an indexed mzML file, which allows faster random access to spectra.

**Value**

Invisibly returns the path to the written mzML file.

**Author(s)**

Ethan Bass

**See Also**

Other write functions: [write\\_andi\\_chrom\(\)](#), [write\\_chroms\(\)](#)

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