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solaR-package	<i>Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R</i>
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## Description

The solaR package allows for reproducible research both for photovoltaics (PV) systems performance and solar radiation. It includes a set of classes, methods and functions to calculate the sun geometry and the solar radiation incident on a photovoltaic generator and to simulate the performance of several applications of the photovoltaic energy. This package performs the whole calculation procedure from both daily and intradaily global horizontal irradiation to the final productivity of grid-connected PV systems and water pumping PV systems.

## Details

solaR is designed using a set of S4 classes whose core is a group of slots with multivariate time series. The classes share a variety of methods to access the information and several visualization methods. In addition, the package provides a tool for the visual statistical analysis of the performance of a large PV plant composed of several systems.

Although solaR is primarily designed for time series associated to a location defined by its latitude/longitude values and the temperature and irradiation conditions, it can be easily combined with spatial packages for space-time analysis.

The best place to learn how to use the package is the companion paper published by the Journal of Statistical Software: <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**Please note that this package needs to set the timezone to UTC. Every ‘zoo’ object created by the package will have an index with this time zone as a synonym of mean solar time..**

You can check it after loading solaR with:

```
Sys.getenv('TZ')
```

If you need to change it, use:

```
Sys.setenv(TZ = 'YourTimeZone')
```

Index of functions and classes:

G0-class	Class "G0": irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane.
Gef-class	Class "Gef": irradiation and irradiance on the

	generator plane.
HQCurve	H-Q curves of a centrifugal pump
Meteo-class	Class "Meteo"
NmgPVPS	Nomogram of a photovoltaic pumping system
ProdGCPV-class	Class "ProdGCPV": performance of a grid connected PV system.
ProdPVPS-class	Class "ProdPVPS": performance of a PV pumping system.
Shade-class	Class "Shade": shadows in a PV system.
Sol-class	Class "Sol": Apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth
aguiar	Markov Transition Matrices for the Aguiar etal. procedure
as.data.frameD	Methods for Function as.data.frameD
as.data.frameI	Methods for Function as.data.frameI
as.data.frameM	Methods for Function as.data.frameM
as.data.frameY	Methods for Function as.data.frameY
as.zooD	Methods for Function as.zooD
as.zooI-methods	Methods for Function as.zooI
as.zooM	Methods for Function as.zooM
as.zooY	Methods for Function as.zooY
calcG0	Irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane.
calcGef	Irradiation and irradiance on the generator plane.
calcShd	Shadows on PV systems.
calcSol	Apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth
compare	Compare G0, Gef and ProdGCPV objects
compareLosses	Losses of a GCPV system
corrFdKt	Correlations between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index.
d2r	Conversion between angle units.
diff2Hours	Small utilities for difftime objects.
fBTd	Daily time base
fCompD	Components of daily global solar irradiation on a horizontal surface
fCompI	Calculation of solar irradiance on a horizontal surface
fInclin	Solar irradiance on an inclined surface
fProd	Performance of a PV system
fPump	Performance of a centrifugal pump
fSolD	Daily apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth
fSolI	Instantaneous apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth
fSombra	Shadows on PV systems
fTemp	Intradaily evolution of ambient temperature
fTheta	Angle of incidence of solar irradiation on a

	inclined surface
getData	Methods for function getData
getG0	Methods for function getG0
getLat	Methods for Function getLat
helios	Daily irradiation and ambient temperature from the Helios-IES database
hour	Utilities for time indexes.
indexD	Methods for Function indexD
indexI	Methods for Function indexI
indexRep-methods	Methods for Function indexRep
levelplot-methods	Methods for function levelplot.
local2Solar	Local time, mean solar time and UTC time zone.
mergesolaR	Merge solaR objects
optimShd	Shadows calculation for a set of distances between elements of a PV grid connected plant.
prodEx	Productivity of a set of PV systems of a PV plant.
prodGCPV	Performance of a grid connected PV system.
prodPVPS	Performance of a PV pumping system
pumpCoef	Coefficients of centrifugal pumps.
readBD	Daily or intradaily values of global horizontal irradiation and ambient temperature from a local file or a data.frame.
readG0dm	Monthly mean values of global horizontal irradiation.
shadeplot	Methods for Function shadeplot
solaR.theme	solaR theme
window	Methods for extracting a time window
writeSolar	Exporter of solaR results
xyplot-methods	Methods for function xyplot in Package 'solaR'

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A1\_calcSol

*Apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth*

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**Description**

Compute the apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth with the functions [fSolD](#) and [fSolI](#).

**Usage**

```
calcSol(lat, BTd, sample='hour', BTi, EoT=TRUE, keep.night=TRUE, method='michalsky')
```

**Arguments**

lat	Latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
BTd	Daily time base, a POSIXct object which may be the result of <code>fBTd</code> . It is not considered if BTi is provided.
sample	Increment of the intradaily sequence. It is a character string, containing one of "sec", "min", "hour". This can optionally be preceded by a (positive or negative) integer and a space, or followed by "s". It is used by <code>seq.POSIXt</code> . It is not considered if BTi is provided.
BTi	Intradaily time base, a POSIXct object to be used by <code>fSolI</code> . It could be the index of the G0I argument to <code>calcG0</code> .
EoT	logical, if TRUE the Equation of Time is used. Default is TRUE.
keep.night	logical, if TRUE (default) the night is included in the time series.
method	character, method for the sun geometry calculations to be chosen from 'cooper', 'spencer', 'michalsky' and 'strous'. See references for details.

**Value**

A `Sol-class` object.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
BTd=fBTd(mode='serie')

lat=37.2
sol=calcSol(lat, BTd[100])
print(as.zooD(sol))

library(lattice)
xyplot(as.zooI(sol))
```

```

solStrous=calcSol(lat, BTd[100], method='strous')
print(as.zooD(solStrous))

solSpencer=calcSol(lat, BTd[100], method='spencer')
print(as.zooD(solSpencer))

solCooper=calcSol(lat, BTd[100], method='cooper')
print(as.zooD(solCooper))

```

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A2\_calcG0

*Irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane.*


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### Description

This function obtains the global, diffuse and direct irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane from the values of *daily* and *intradaily* global irradiation on the horizontal plane. It makes use of the functions [calcSol](#), [fCompD](#), [fCompI](#), [fBTd](#) and [readBD](#) (or equivalent).

Besides, if information about maximum and minimum temperatures values are available it obtains a series of temperature values with [fTemp](#).

### Usage

```

calcG0(lat, modeRad='prom', dataRad,
       sample='hour', keep.night=TRUE,
       sunGeometry='michalsky',
       corr, f, ...)

```

### Arguments

lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
modeRad	<p>A character string, describes the kind of source data of the global irradiation and ambient temperature.</p> <p>It can be modeRad='prom' for monthly mean calculations. With this option, a set of 12 values inside dataRad must be provided, as defined in <a href="#">readG0dm</a>.</p> <p>modeRad='aguilar' uses a set of 12 monthly average values (provided with dataRad) and produces a synthetic daily irradiation time series following the procedure by Aguiar etal. (see reference below).</p> <p>If modeRad='bd' the information of <i>daily</i> irradiation is read from a file, a data.frame defined by dataRad, a zoo or a Meteo object. (See <a href="#">readBD</a>, <a href="#">df2Meteo</a> and <a href="#">zoo2Meteo</a> for details).</p> <p>If modeRad='bdI' the information of <i>intradaily</i> irradiation is read from a file, a data.frame defined by dataRad, a zoo or a Meteo object. (See <a href="#">readBDi</a>, <a href="#">dfI2Meteo</a> and <a href="#">zoo2Meteo</a> for details).</p>

dataRad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If modeRad='prom' or modeRad='aguiar', a numeric with 12 values or a named list whose components will be processed with <code>readG0dm</code>.</li> <li>• If modeRad='bd' a character (name of the file to be read with <code>readBD</code>), a data.frame (to be processed with <code>df2Meteo</code>), a zoo (to be processed with <code>zoo2Meteo</code>), a Meteo object, or a list as defined by <code>readBD</code>, <code>df2Meteo</code> or <code>zoo2Meteo</code>. The resulting object will include a column named Ta, with information about ambient temperature.</li> <li>• If modeRad='bdI' a character (name of the file to be read with <code>readBDi</code>), a data.frame (to be processed with <code>dfI2Meteo</code>), a zoo (to be processed with <code>zoo2Meteo</code>), a Meteo object, or a list as defined by <code>readBDi</code>, <code>dfI2Meteo</code> or <code>zoo2Meteo</code>. The resulting object will include a column named Ta, with information about ambient temperature.</li> </ul>
sample	character, containing one of "sec", "min", "hour". This can optionally be preceded by a (positive or negative) integer and a space, or followed by "s" (used by <code>seq.POSIXt</code> ). It is not used when modeRad="bdI".
keep.night	logical. When it is TRUE (default) the time series includes the night.
sunGeometry	character, method for the sun geometry calculations. See <code>calcSol</code> , <code>fSolD</code> and <code>fSolI</code> .
corr	<p>A character, the correlation between the the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index to be used.</p> <p>With this version several options are available, as described in <code>corrFdKt</code>. For example, the <code>FdKtPage</code> is selected with <code>corr='Page'</code> while the <code>FdKtCPR</code> with <code>corr='CPR'</code>.</p> <p>If <code>corr='user'</code> the use of a correlation defined by a function <code>f</code> is possible.</p> <p>If <code>corr='none'</code> the object defined by <code>dataRad</code> should include information about global, diffuse and direct daily irradiation with columns named <code>G0d</code>, <code>D0d</code> and <code>B0d</code>, respectively (or <code>G0</code>, <code>D0</code> and <code>B0</code> if modeRad='bdI'). If <code>corr</code> is missing, then it is internally set to <code>CPR</code> when modeRad='bd', to <code>Page</code> when modeRad='prom' and to <code>BRL</code> when modeRad='bdI'.</p>
f	A function defining a correlation between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index. It is only necessary when <code>corr='user'</code>
...	Additional arguments for <code>fCompD</code> or <code>fCompI</code>

**Value**

A G0 object.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

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- Aguiar, Collares-Pereira and Conde, "Simple procedure for generating sequences of daily radiation values using a library of Markov transition matrices", Solar Energy, Volume 40, Issue 3, 1988, Pages 269–279

### See Also

[calcSol](#), [fCompD](#), [fCompI](#), [readG0dm](#), [readBD](#), [readBDi](#), [corrFdKt](#).

### Examples

```
G0dm=c(2.766,3.491,4.494,5.912,6.989,7.742,7.919,7.027,5.369,3.562,2.814,2.179)*1000;
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2,
    15.2)
```

```
g0 <- calcG0(lat=37.2, modeRad='prom', dataRad=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta))
print(g0)
xyplot(g0)
```

```
## Aguiar et al.
```

```
g0 <- calcG0(lat=37.2, modeRad='aguiar', dataRad=G0dm)
print(g0)
xyplot(g0)
```

```
##Now the G0I component of g0 is used as
##the bdI argument to calcG0 in order to
##test the intradaily correlations of fd-kt
```

```
BDi=as.zooI(g0)
BDi$Ta=25 ##Information about temperature must be contained in BDi
```

```
g02 <- calcG0(lat=37.2,
              modeRad='bdI',
              dataRad=list(lat=37.2, file=BDi),
              corr='none')
```

```
print(g02)
```

```
g03 <- calcG0(lat=37.2,
              modeRad='bdI',
              dataRad=list(lat=37.2, file=BDi),
              corr='BRL')
```

```
print(g03)
```

```
xyplot(fd~kt, data=g03, pch=19, alpha=0.3)
```

```
## Not run:
##NREL-MIDC
##La Ola, Lanai
##Latitude: 20.76685o North
##Longitude: 156.92291o West
##Elevation: 381 meters AMSL
```

```

##Time Zone: -10.0

NRELurl <- 'http://goo.gl/ffEBN'

dat <- read.table(NRELurl, header=TRUE, sep=',')
names(dat) <- c('date', 'hour', 'G0', 'B', 'D0', 'Ta')

##B is direct normal. We need direct horizontal.
dat$B0 <- dat$G0-dat$D0

##http://www.nrel.gov/midc/la_ola_lanai/instruments.html:
##The datalogger program runs using Greenwich Mean Time (GMT),
##data is converted to Hawaiiin Standard Time (HST) after data collection
idxLocal <- with(dat, as.POSIXct(paste(date, hour), format='%m/%d/%Y %H:%M', tz='HST'))
idx <- local2Solar(idxLocal, lon=-156.9339)

NRELMeteo <- zoo(dat[,c('G0', 'D0', 'B0', 'Ta')], idx)

lat=20.77

g0 <- calcG0(lat=lat, modeRad='bdI', dataRad=NRELMeteo, corr='none')
xyplot(g0)
xyplot(as.zooI(g0), superpose=TRUE)

g02 <- calcG0(lat=lat, modeRad='bdI', dataRad=NRELMeteo, corr='BRL')
xyplot(g02)
xyplot(as.zooI(g02), superpose=TRUE)
xyplot(fd~kt, data=g02, pch=19, cex=0.5, alpha=0.5)

g03 <- calcG0(lat=lat, modeRad='bdI', dataRad=NRELMeteo, corr='CLIMEDh')
xyplot(g03)
xyplot(as.zooI(g03), superpose=TRUE)
xyplot(fd~kt, data=g03, pch=19, cex=0.5, alpha=0.5)

## End(Not run)

```

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A3\_calcGef

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*Irradiation and irradiance on the generator plane.*


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## Description

This function obtains the global, diffuse and direct irradiation and irradiance on the generator plane from the values of *daily* or *intradaily* global irradiation on the horizontal plane. It makes use of the functions `calcG0`, `fTheta`, `fInclin`. Besides, it can calculate the shadows effect with the `calcShd` function.

## Usage

```
calcGef(lat,
        modeTrk='fixed',
```

```

modeRad='prom',
dataRad,
sample='hour',
keep.night=TRUE,
sunGeometry='michalsky',
corr, f,
betaLim=90, beta=abs(lat)-10, alfa=0,
iS=2, alb=0.2, horizBright=TRUE, HCPV=FALSE,
modeShd='',
struct=list(),
distances=data.frame(),
...)
```

### Arguments

lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
modeTrk	character, to be chosen from 'fixed', 'two' or 'horiz'. When modeTrk='fixed' the surface is fixed (inclination and azimuth angles are constant). The performance of a two-axis tracker is calculated with modeTrk='two', and modeTrk='horiz' is the option for an horizontal N-S tracker. Its default value is modeTrk='fixed'
modeRad, dataRad	Information about the source data of the global irradiation. See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
sample, keep.night	See <a href="#">calcSol</a> for details.
sunGeometry	character, method for the sun geometry calculations. See <a href="#">calcSol</a> , <a href="#">fSolD</a> and <a href="#">fSolI</a> .
corr, f	See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
beta	numeric, inclination angle of the surface (degrees). It is only needed when modeTrk='fixed'.
betaLim	numeric, maximum value of the inclination angle for a tracking surface. Its default value is 90 (no limitation)
alfa	numeric, azimuth angle of the surface (degrees). It is measured from the south (alfa = 0), and it is negative to the east and positive to the west. It is only needed when modeTrk='fixed'. Its default value is alfa=0
iS	integer, degree of dirtiness. Its value must be included in the set (1,2,3,4). iS=1 corresponds to a clean surface while iS=4 is the selection for a dirty surface. Its default value is 2.
alb	numeric, albedo reflection coefficient. Its default value is 0.2
modeShd, struct, distances	See <a href="#">calcShd</a> for details.
horizBright	logical, if TRUE, the horizon brightness correction proposed by Reind et al. is used.
HCPV	logical, if TRUE the diffuse and albedo components of the <i>effective</i> irradiance are set to zero. HCPV is the acronym of High Concentration PV system.
...	Additional arguments for <a href="#">calcSol</a> and <a href="#">calcG0</a>

**Value**

A Gef object.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[calcG0](#), [fTheta](#), [fInclin](#), [calcShd](#).

**Examples**

```
###12 Average days.

G0dm=c(2.766,3.491,4.494,5.912,6.989,7.742,7.919,7.027,5.369,3.562,2.814,2.179)*1000;
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)

##Fixed surface, default values of inclination and azimuth.

gef<-calcGef(lat=37.2, modeRad='prom', dataRad=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta))
print(gef)
xyplot(gef)

##Two-axis surface, no limitation angle.

gef2<-calcGef(lat=37.2, modeRad='prom', dataRad=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta), modeTrk='two')
print(gef2)
xyplot(gef2)

##Fixed surface
gefAguiar <- calcGef(lat=41, modeRad='aguiar', dataRad=G0dm)

##Two-axis tracker, using the previous result.
##'gefAguiar' is internally coerced to a 'G0' object.

gefAguiar2 <- calcGef(lat=41, modeRad='prev', dataRad=gefAguiar, modeTrk='two')
print(gefAguiar2)
```

```

xyplot(gefAguiar2)

###Shadows between two-axis trackers, again using the gefAguiar result.

struct=list(W=23.11, L=9.8, Nrow=2, Ncol=8)
distances=data.frame(Lew=40, Lns=30, H=0)

gefShd<-calcGef(lat=41, modeRad='prev',
                dataRad=gefAguiar, modeTrk='two',
                modeShd=c('area', 'prom'),
                struct=struct, distances=distances)

print(gefShd)
##The Gef0, Bef0 and Def0 values are the same as those contained in the
##          gefAguiar2 object

```

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A4\_prodGCPV

*Performance of a grid connected PV system.*


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## Description

Compute every step from solar angles to effective irradiance to calculate the performance of a grid connected PV system.

## Usage

```

prodGCPV(lat,
         modeTrk='fixed',
         modeRad='prom',
         dataRad,
         sample='hour',
         keep.night=TRUE,
         sunGeometry='michalsky',
         corr, f,
         betaLim=90, beta=abs(lat)-10, alfa=0,
         iS=2, alb=0.2, horizBright=TRUE, HCPV=FALSE,
         module=list(),
         generator=list(),
         inverter=list(),
         effSys=list(),
         modeShd=' ',
         struct=list(),
         distances=data.frame(),
         ...)

```

## Arguments

**lat** numeric, latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.

modeTrk	A character string, describing the tracking method of the generator. See <a href="#">calcGef</a> for details.
modeRad, dataRad	Information about the source data of the global irradiation. See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
sample, keep.night	See <a href="#">calcSol</a> for details.
sunGeometry	character, method for the sun geometry calculations. See <a href="#">calcSol</a> , <a href="#">fSold</a> and <a href="#">fSolI</a> .
corr, f	See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
betaLim, beta, alfa, is, alb, horizBright, HCPV	See <a href="#">calcGef</a> for details.
module	list of numeric values with information about the PV module, Vocn open-circuit voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 57.6 volts.) Iscn short circuit current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.7 amperes.) Vmn maximum power point voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 46.08 amperes.) Imn Maximum power current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.35 amperes.) Ncs number of cells in series inside the module (default value 96) Ncp number of cells in parallel inside the module (default value 1) CoefVT coefficient of decrement of voltage of each cell with the temperature (default value 0.0023 volts per celsius degree) TONC nominal operational cell temperature, celsius degree (default value 47).
generator	list of numeric values with information about the generator, Nms number of modules in series (default value 12) Nmp number of modules in parallel (default value 11)
inverter	list of numeric values with information about the DC/AC inverter, Ki vector of three values, coefficients of the efficiency curve of the inverter (default c(0.01, 0.025, 0.05)), or a matrix of nine values (3x3) if there is dependence with the voltage (see references). Pinv nominal inverter power (W) (default value 25000 watts.) Vmin, Vmax minimum and maximum voltages of the MPP range of the inverter (default values 420 and 750 volts) Gumb minimum irradiance for the inverter to start (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) (default value 20 W/m <sup>2</sup> )
effSys	list of numeric values with information about the system losses, ModQual average tolerance of the set of modules (%), default value is 3 ModDisp module parameter disperssion losses (%), default value is 2 OhmDC Joule losses due to the DC wiring (%), default value is 1.5 OhmAC Joule losses due to the AC wiring (%), default value is 1.5

MPP average error of the MPP algorithm of the inverter (%), default value is 1  
 TrafoMT losses due to the MT transformer (%), default value is 1  
 Disp losses due to stops of the system (%), default value is 0.5  
 modeShd, struct, distances  
 See [calcShd](#) for details.  
 ... Additional arguments for [calcG0](#) or [calcGef](#)

## Details

The calculation of the irradiance on the horizontal plane is carried out with the function [calcG0](#). The transformation to the inclined surface makes use of the [fTheta](#) and [fInclin](#) functions inside the [calcGef](#) function. The shadows are computed with [calcShd](#) while the performance of the PV system is simulated with [fProd](#).

## Value

A ProdGCPV object.

## Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

## References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[fProd](#), [calcGef](#), [calcShd](#), [calcG0](#), [compare](#), [compareLosses](#), [mergesolaR](#)

## Examples

```
library(lattice)
library(latticeExtra)

lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814,
2179)
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

###Comparison of different tracker methods
prodFixed<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, keep.night=FALSE)
prod2x<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two', keep.night=FALSE)
prodHoriz<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, modeTrk='horiz', keep.night=FALSE)

##Comparison of yearly productivities
compare(prodFixed, prod2x, prodHoriz)
```

```

compareLosses(prodFixed, prod2x, prodHoriz)

##Comparison of power time series
ComparePac<-CBIND(two=as.zooI(prod2x)$Pac,
  horiz=as.zooI(prodHoriz)$Pac,
  fixed=as.zooI(prodFixed)$Pac)
AngSol=as.zooI(as(prodFixed, 'Sol'))
ComparePac=CBIND(AngSol, ComparePac)
mon=month(index(ComparePac))

xyplot(two+horiz+fixed~AzS|mon, data=ComparePac,
  type='l', auto.key=list(space='right', lines=TRUE, points=FALSE),ylab='Pac')

###Use of modeRad='aguair' and modeRad='prev'
prodAguiarFixed <- prodGCPV(lat=41,
  modeRad='aguair',
  dataRad=G0dm,
  keep.night=FALSE)

##We want to compare systems with different effective irradiance
##so we have to convert prodAguiarFixed to a 'G0' object.
G0Aguiar=as(prodAguiarFixed, 'G0')

prodAguiar2x<-prodGCPV(lat=41,modeTrk='two',modeRad='prev', dataRad=G0Aguiar)
prodAguiarHoriz<-prodGCPV(lat=41, modeTrk='horiz',modeRad='prev',
dataRad=G0Aguiar)

##Comparison of yearly values
compare(prodAguiarFixed, prodAguiar2x, prodAguiarHoriz)
compareLosses(prodAguiarFixed, prodAguiar2x, prodAguiarHoriz)

##Compare of daily productivities of each tracking system
compareYf <- mergesolaR(prodAguiarFixed, prodAguiar2x, prodAguiarHoriz)
xyplot(compareYf, superpose=TRUE,
ylab='kWh/kWp', main='Daily productivity', auto.key=list(space='right'))

###Shadows
#Two-axis trackers
struct2x=list(W=23.11, L=9.8, Nrow=2, Ncol=8)
dist2x=data.frame(Lew=40, Lns=30, H=0)
prod2xShd<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two',
  modeShd='area', struct=struct2x, distances=dist2x)
print(prod2xShd)

#Horizontal N-S tracker
structHoriz=list(L=4.83);
distHoriz=data.frame(Lew=structHoriz$L*4);

#Without Backtracking
prodHorizShd<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, sample='10 min',
  modeTrk='horiz',
  modeShd='area', betaLim=60,

```



```

    distances=distHoriz,
    struct=structHoriz)
print(prodHorizShd)

xyplot(r2d(Beta)~r2d(w),
    data=prodHorizShd,
    type='l',
    main='Inclination angle of a horizontal axis tracker',
    xlab=expression(omega (degrees)),
    ylab=expression(beta (degrees)))

#With Backtracking
prodHorizBT<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, sample='10 min',
    modeTrk='horiz',
    modeShd='bt', betaLim=60,
    distances=distHoriz,
    struct=structHoriz)

print(prodHorizBT)

xyplot(r2d(Beta)~r2d(w),
    data=prodHorizBT,
    type='l',
    main='Inclination angle of a horizontal axis tracker\n with backtracking',
    xlab=expression(omega (degrees)),
    ylab=expression(beta (degrees)))

compare(prodFixed, prod2x, prodHoriz, prod2xShd,
    prodHorizShd, prodHorizBT)

compareLosses(prodFixed, prod2x, prodHoriz, prod2xShd,
    prodHorizShd, prodHorizBT)

compareYf2 <- mergesolar(prodFixed, prod2x, prodHoriz, prod2xShd,
    prodHorizShd, prodHorizBT)
xyplot(compareYf2, superpose=TRUE,
    ylab='kWh/kWp', main='Daily productivity', auto.key=list(space='right'))

```

**Description**

Compute every step from solar angles to effective irradiance to calculate the performance of a PV pumping system.

**Usage**

```
prodPVPS(lat,
    modeTrk='fixed',
```

```

modeRad='prom',
dataRad,
sample='hour',
keep.night=TRUE,
sunGeometry='michalsky',
corr, f,
betaLim=90, beta=abs(lat)-10, alfa=0,
iS=2, alb=0.2, horizBright=TRUE, HCPV=FALSE,
pump , H,
Pg, converter= list(),
effSys=list(),
...)
```

### Arguments

lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
modeTrk	A character string, describing the tracking method of the generator. See <a href="#">calcGef</a> for details.
modeRad, dataRad	Information about the source data of the global irradiation. See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
sample, keep.night	See <a href="#">calcSol</a> for details.
sunGeometry	character, method for the sun geometry calculations. See <a href="#">calcSol</a> , <a href="#">fSolD</a> and <a href="#">fSolI</a> .
corr, f	See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details.
betaLim, beta, alfa, iS, alb, horizBright, HCPV	See <a href="#">calcGef</a> for details.
pump	A list extracted from <a href="#">pumpCoef</a>
H	Total manometric head (m)
Pg	Nominal power of the PV generator (Wp)
converter	list containing the nominal power of the frequency converter, Pnom, and Ki, vector of three values, coefficients of the efficiency curve.
effSys	list of numeric values with information about the system losses, ModQual average tolerance of the set of modules (%), default value is 3 ModDisp module parameter dispersion losses (%), default value is 2 OhmDC Joule losses due to the DC wiring (%), default value is 1.5 OhmAC Joule losses due to the AC wiring (%), default value is 1.5
...	Additional arguments for <a href="#">calcSol</a> , <a href="#">calcG0</a> and <a href="#">calcGef</a> .

### Details

The calculation of the irradiance on the generator is carried out with the function [calcGef](#). The performance of the PV system is simulated with [fPump](#).

**Value**

A [ProdPVPS](#) object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

- Abella, M. A., Lorenzo, E. y Chenlo, F.: PV water pumping systems based on standard frequency converters. *Progress in Photovoltaics: Research and Applications*, 11(3):179–191, 2003, ISSN 1099-159X.
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- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", *Journal of Statistical Software*, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[NmgPVPS](#), [fPump](#), [pumpCoef](#)

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A6\_calcShd

*Shadows on PV systems.*


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**Description**

Compute the irradiance and irradiation including shadows for two-axis and horizontal N-S axis trackers and fixed surfaces. It makes use of the function [fSombra](#) for the shadows factor calculation. It is used by the function [calcGef](#).

**Usage**

```
calcShd(radEf, modeTrk='fixed', modeShd='',
        struct=list(),
        distances=data.frame())
```

**Arguments**

**radEf**            A [Gef](#) object. It may be the result of the [calcGef](#) function.

**modeTrk**        character, to be chosen from 'fixed', 'two' or 'horiz'. When modeTrk='fixed' the surface is fixed (inclination and azimuth angles are constant). The performance of a two-axis tracker is calculated with modeTrk='two', and modeTrk='horiz' is the option for an horizontal N-S tracker. Its default value is modeTrk='fixed'

modeShd	character, defines the type of shadow calculation. In this version of the package the effect of the shadow is calculated as a proportional reduction of the circumsolar diffuse and direct irradiances. This type of approach is selected with modeShd='area'. In future versions other approaches which relate the geometric shadow and the electrical connections of the PV generator will be available. If modeTrk='horiz' it is possible to calculate the effect of backtracking with modeShd='bt'. If modeShd=c('area', 'bt') the backtracking method will be carried out and therefore no shadows will appear. Finally, for two-axis trackers it is possible to select modeShd='prom' in order to calculate the effect of shadows on an average tracker (see <a href="#">fSombra6</a> ). The result will include three variables (Gef0, Def0 and Bef0) with the irradiance/irradiation without shadows as a reference.
struct	list. When modeTrk='fixed' or modeTrk='horiz' only a component named L, which is the height (meters) of the tracker, is needed. For two-axis trackers (modeTrk='two'), an additional component named W, the width of the tracker, is required. Moreover, only when modeTrk='two' two components named Nrow and Ncol are included under this list. These components define, respectively, the number of rows and columns of the whole set of two-axis trackers in the PV plant.
distances	data.frame. When modeTrk='fixed' it includes a component named D for the distance between fixed surfaces. An additional component named H can be included with the relative height between surfaces. When modeTrk='horiz' it only includes a component named Lew, being the distance between horizontal NS trackers along the East-West direction. When modeTrk='two' it includes a component named Lns being the distance between trackers along the North-South direction, a component named Lew, being the distance between trackers along the East-West direction and a (optional) component named H with the relative height between surfaces. The distances, in meters, are defined between axis of the trackers.

### Value

A Gef object including three additional variables (Gef0, Def0 and Bef0) in the slots GefI, GefD, Gefdm and Gefy with the irradiance/irradiation without shadows as a reference.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

### References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[calcG0](#), [fTheta](#), [fInclin](#), [calcShd](#).

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A7_optimShd	<i>Shadows calculation for a set of distances between elements of a PV grid connected plant.</i>
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**Description**

The optimum distance between trackers or static structures of a PV grid connected plant depends on two main factors: the ground requirement ratio (defined as the ratio of the total ground area to the generator PV array area), and the productivity of the system including shadow losses. Therefore, the optimum separation may be the one which achieves the highest productivity with the lowest ground requirement ratio.

However, this definition is not complete since the terrain characteristics and the costs of wiring or civil works could alter the decision. This function is a help for choosing this distance: it computes the productivity for a set of combinations of distances between the elements of the plant.

**Usage**

```
optimShd(lat,
         modeTrk='fixed',
         modeRad='prom',
         dataRad,
         sample='hour',
         keep.night=TRUE,
         sunGeometry='michalsky',
         betaLim=90, beta=abs(lat)-10, alfa=0,
         iS=2, alb=0.2, HCPV=FALSE,
         module=list(),
         generator=list(),
         inverter=list(),
         effSys=list(),
         modeShd=' ',
         struct=list(),
         distances=data.frame(),
         res=2,
         prog=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
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modeTrk	character, to be chosen from 'fixed', 'two' or 'horiz'. When modeTrk='fixed' the surface is fixed (inclination and azimuth angles are constant). The performance of a two-axis tracker is calculated with modeTrk='two', and modeTrk='horiz' is the option for an horizontal N-S tracker. Its default value is modeTrk='fixed'
modeRad, dataRad	Information about the source data of the global irradiation. See <a href="#">calcG0</a> for details. For this function the option modeRad='bdI' is not supported.
sample	character, containing one of "sec", "min", "hour". This can optionally be preceded by a (positive or negative) integer and a space, or followed by "s" (used by <a href="#">seq.POSIXt</a> )
keep.night	logical When it is TRUE (default) the time series includes the night.
sunGeometry	character, method for the sun geometry calculations. See <a href="#">calcSol</a> , <a href="#">fSold</a> and <a href="#">fSolI</a> .
betaLim, beta,	alfa, iS, alb, HCPV See <a href="#">calcGef</a> for details.
module	list of numeric values with information about the PV module, Vocn open-circuit voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 57.6 volts.) Iscn short circuit current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.7 amperes.) Vmn maximum power point voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 46.08 amperes.) Imn Maximum power current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.35 amperes.) Ncs number of cells in series inside the module (default value 96) Ncp number of cells in parallel inside the module (default value 1) CoefVT coefficient of decrement of voltage of each cell with the temperature (default value 0.0023 volts per celsius degree) TONC nominal operational cell temperature, celsius degree (default value 47).
generator	list of numeric values with information about the generator, Nms number of modules in series (default value 12) Nmp number of modules in parallel (default value 11)
inverter	list of numeric values with information about the DC/AC inverter, Ki vector of three values, coefficients of the efficiency curve of the inverter (default c(0.01, 0.025, 0.05)), or a matrix of nine values (3x3) if there is dependence with the voltage (see references). Pinv nominal inverter power (W) (default value 25000 watts.) Vmin, Vmax minimum and maximum voltages of the MPP range of the inverter (default values 420 and 750 volts) Gumb minimum irradiance for the inverter to start (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) (default value 20 W/m <sup>2</sup> )
effSys	list of numeric values with information about the system losses, ModQual average tolerance of the set of modules (%), default value is 3

	ModDisp	module parameter dispersion losses (%), default value is 2
	OhmDC	Joule losses due to the DC wiring (%), default value is 1.5
	OhmAC	Joule losses due to the AC wiring (%), default value is 1.5
	MPP	average error of the MPP algorithm of the inverter (%), default value is 1
	TrafoMT	losses due to the MT transformer (%), default value is 1
	Disp	losses due to stops of the system (%), default value is 0.5
	modeShd	character, defines the type of shadow calculation. In this version of the package the effect of the shadow is calculated as a proportional reduction of the circumsolar diffuse and direct irradiances. This type of approach is selected with modeShd='area'. In future versions other approaches which relate the geometric shadow and the electrical connections of the PV generator will be available. If modeTrk='horiz' it is possible to calculate the effect of backtracking with modeShd='bt'. If modeShd=c('area', 'bt') the backtracking method will be carried out and therefore no shadows will appear. Finally, for two-axis trackers it is possible to select modeShd='prom' in order to calculate the effect of shadows on an average tracker (see <a href="#">fSombra6</a> ). The result will include three variables (Gef0, Def0 and Bef0) with the irradiance/irradiation without shadows as a reference.
	struct	list. When modeTrk='fixed' or modeTrk='horiz' only a component named L, which is the height (meters) of the tracker, is needed. For two-axis trackers (modeTrk='two'), an additional component named W, the width of the tracker, is required. Moreover, two components named Nrow and Ncol are included under this list. These components define, respectively, the number of rows and columns of the whole set of trackers in the PV plant.
	distances	list, whose three components are vectors of length 2: Lew (only when modeTrk='horiz' or modeTrk='two'), minimum and maximum distance (meters) between horizontal NS and two-axis trackers along the East-West direction. Lns (only when modeTrk='two'), minimum and maximum distance (meters) between two-axis trackers along the North-South direction. D (only when modeTrk='fixed'), minimum and maximum distance (meters) between fixed surfaces. These distances, in meters, are defined between the axis of the trackers.
	res	numeric; optimShd constructs a sequence from the minimum to the maximum value of distances, with res as the increment, in meters, of the sequence.
	prog	logical, show a progress bar; default value is TRUE

### Details

optimShd calculates the energy produced for every combination of distances as defined by distances and res. The result of this function is a [Shade-class](#) object. A method of shadeplot for this class is defined ([shadeplot-methods](#)), and it shows the graphical relation between the productivity and the distance between trackers or fixed surfaces.

### Value

A [Shade](#) object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**References**

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- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[prodGCPV](#), [calcShd](#)

**Examples**

```
library(lattice)
library(latticeExtra)

lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814,
2179)
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

###Two-axis trackers
struct2x=list(W=23.11, L=9.8, Nrow=2, Ncol=8)
dist2x=list(Lew=c(30,50),Lns=c(20,50))

#Monthly averages
ShdM2x<-optimShd(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two',
modeShd=c('area','prom'), distances=dist2x, struct=struct2x, res=5)

shadeplot(ShdM2x)

pLew=xyplot(Yf~GRR,data=ShdM2x,groups=factor(Lew),type=c('l','g'),
main='Productivity for each Lew value')
pLew+glayer(panel.text(x[1], y[1], group.value))

pLns=xyplot(Yf~GRR,data=ShdM2x,groups=factor(Lns),type=c('l','g'),
main='Productivity for each Lns value')
pLns+glayer(panel.text(x[1], y[1], group.value))

###Horizontal axis tracker
structHoriz=list(L=4.83);
distHoriz=list(Lew=structHoriz$L*c(2,5));

#Without backtracking
Shd12Horiz<-optimShd(lat=lat, dataRad=prom,
modeTrk='horiz',
```



```

        betaLim=60,
        distances=distHoriz, res=2,
        struct=structHoriz,
        modeShd='area')

shadeplot(Shd12Horiz)

xyplot(diff(Yf)~GRR[-1],data=Shd12Horiz,type=c('l','g'))

#with Backtracking
Shd12HorizBT<-optimShd(lat=lat, dataRad=prom,
        modeTrk='horiz',
        betaLim=60,
        distances=distHoriz, res=1,
        struct=structHoriz,
        modeShd='bt')

shadeplot(Shd12HorizBT)
xyplot(diff(Yf)~GRR[-1],data=Shd12HorizBT,type=c('l','g'))

###Fixed system
structFixed=list(L=5);
distFixed=list(D=structFixed$L*c(1,3));
Shd12Fixed<-optimShd(lat=lat, dataRad=prom,
        modeTrk='fixed',
        distances=distFixed, res=1,
        struct=structFixed,
        modeShd='area')
shadeplot(Shd12Fixed)

```

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A8\_readBD

*Daily or intradaily values of global horizontal irradiation and ambient temperature from a local file or a data.frame.*

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## Description

Constructor for the class `Meteo` with values of *daily* or *intradaily* values of global horizontal irradiation and ambient temperature from a local file or a data.frame.

## Usage

```

readBD(file, lat,
        format='%d/%m/%Y',
        header=TRUE, fill=TRUE, dec='.', sep=';',
        dates.col='date',source=file)

readBDi(file, lat,
        format='%d/%m/%Y %H:%M:%S',

```

```

header=TRUE, fill=TRUE, dec='.', sep=';',
time.col='time',
source=file)

df2Meteo(file, lat,
          format='%d/%m/%Y',
          dates.col='date',
          source='')

dfI2Meteo(file, lat,
           format='%d/%m/%Y %H:%M:%S',
           time.col='time',
           source='')

zoo2Meteo(file, lat, source='')

```

### Arguments

file	The name of the file (readBD and readBDi), data.frame (df2Meteo and dfI2Meteo) or zoo (zoo2Meteo) which the data are to be read from. It should contain a column G0 with <i>daily</i> (readBD and df2Meteo) or <i>intradaily</i> (readBDi and dfI2Meteo) values of global horizontal irradiation (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> ). It should also include a column named Ta with values of ambient temperature. However, if the object is only a vector with irradiation values, it will be converted to a zoo with two columns named G0 and Ta (filled with constant values)  If the Meteo object is to be used with <a href="#">calcG0</a> (or fCompD, fCompI) and the option corr='none', the file/data.frame <b>must</b> include three columns named G0, B0 and D0 with values of global, direct and diffuse irradiation on the horizontal plane.  Only for daily data: if the ambient temperature is not available, the file should include two columns named TempMax and TempMin with daily values of maximum and minimum ambient temperature, respectively (see <a href="#">fTemp</a> for details).
header, fill, dec, sep	See <a href="#">read.table</a>
format	character string with the format of the dates or time index. (Default for daily time bases: %d/%m/%Y). (Default for intradaily time bases: %d/%m/%Y %H:%M:%S)
lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the location.
dates.col	character string with the name of the column which contains the dates of the time series.
time.col	character string with the name of the column which contains the time index of the series.
source	character string with information about the source of the values. (Default: the name of the file).

### Value

A Meteo object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**See Also**

[read.table](#), [readG0dm](#).

**Examples**

```
data(helios)
names(helios)=c('date', 'G0', 'TempMax', 'TempMin')

bd=df2Meteo(helios, dates.col='date', lat=41, source='helios-IES', format='%Y/%m/%d')

summary(getData(bd))

xyplot(bd)
```

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A8\_readG0dm

*Monthly mean values of global horizontal irradiation.*


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**Description**

Constructor for the class Meteo with 12 values of monthly means of irradiation.

**Usage**

```
readG0dm(G0dm, Ta=25, lat=0,
  year= as.POSIXlt(Sys.Date())$year+1900,
  promDays=c(17,14,15,15,15,10,18,18,18,19,18,13),
  source='')
```

**Arguments**

G0dm	numeric, 12 values of monthly means of daily global horizontal irradiation (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> ).
Ta	numeric, 12 values of monthly means of ambient temperature (degrees Celsius).
lat	numeric, latitude (degrees) of the location.
year	numeric (Default: current year).
promDays	numeric, set of the average days for each month.
source	character string with information about the source of the values.

**Value**

Meteo object

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**See Also**

[readBD](#)

**Examples**

```
G0dm=c(2.766,3.491,4.494,5.912,6.989,7.742,7.919,7.027,5.369,3.562,2.814,2.179)*1000;
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
BD<-readG0dm(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta, lat=37.2)
print(BD)
getData(BD)
xyplot(BD)
```

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B1\_Meteo-class

*Class "Meteo"*

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**Description**

A class for meteorological data.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by the family of [readBD](#) functions.

**Slots**

**latData**: Latitude (degrees) of the meteorological station or source of the data.

**data**: A zoo object with the time series of daily irradiation ( $G_0$ , Wh/m<sup>2</sup>), the ambient temperature (Ta) or the maximum and minimum ambient temperature (TempMax and TempMin).

**source**: A character with a short description of the source of the data.

**type**: A character, prom, bd, bdI or mapa, depending on the constructor.

**Methods**

**getData** signature(object = "Meteo"): extracts the data slot as a zoo object.

**getG0** signature(object = "Meteo"): extracts the irradiation time series as a zoo object.

**getLat** signature(object = "Meteo"): extracts the latitude value.

**indexD** signature(object = "Meteo"): extracts the index of the data slot.

**xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "Meteo"): plot the content of the object according to the formula argument.

**xyplot** signature(x = "Meteo", data = "missing"): plot the data slot using the xyplot method for zoo objects.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**See Also**

[readBD](#), [readBDi](#), [zoo2Meteo](#), [df2Meteo](#), [dfI2Meteo](#), [readG0dm](#),

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B2\_Sol-class

*Class "Sol": Apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth*

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**Description**

A class which describe the apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by [calcSol](#).

**Slots**

**lat**: numeric, latitude (degrees) as defined in the call to [calcSol](#).

**solD**: Object of class "zoo" created by [fSolD](#).

**solI**: Object of class "zoo" created by [fSolI](#).

**match**: numeric, index of solD related with the index of solI.

**method**: character, method for the sun geometry calculations.

**sample**: difftime, increment of the intradaily sequence.

**Methods**

**as.data.frameD** signature(object = "Sol"): conversion to a data.frame with daily values.

**as.data.frameI** signature(object = "Sol"): conversion to a data.frame with intradaily values.

**as.zooD** signature(object = "Sol"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.

**as.zooI** signature(object = "Sol"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.

**getLat** signature(object = "Sol"): latitude (degrees) as defined in the call to [calcSol](#).

**indexD** signature(object = "Sol"): index of the solD slot.

**indexI** signature(object = "Sol"): index of the solI object.

**indexRep** signature(object = "Sol"): accessor for the match slot.

**xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "Sol"): displays the contents of a Sol object with the xyplot method for formulas.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

## References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[G0](#), [Gef](#).

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B3\_G0-class

*Class "G0": irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane.*

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## Description

This class contains the global, diffuse and direct irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane, and ambient temperature.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by the function [calcG0](#).

## Slots

**G0D**: Object of class "zoo" created by [fCompD](#). It includes daily values of:

**Fd**: numeric, the diffuse fraction

**Ktd**: numeric, the clearness index

**G0d**: numeric, the global irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m<sup>2</sup>)

**D0d**: numeric, the diffuse irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m<sup>2</sup>)

**B0d**: numeric, the direct irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m<sup>2</sup>)

**G0I**: Object of class "zoo" created by [fCompI](#). It includes values of:

**kt**: numeric, clearness index

**G0**: numeric, global irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**D0**: numeric, diffuse irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**B0**: numeric, direct irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**G0dm**: Object of class "zoo" with monthly mean values of daily irradiation.

**G0y**: Object of class "zoo" with yearly sums of irradiation.

**Ta**: Object of class "zoo" with intradaily ambient temperature values.

Besides, this class contains the slots from the [Sol](#) and [Meteo](#) classes.

## Extends

Class "[Meteo](#)", directly. Class "[Sol](#)", directly.

## Methods

- as.zooD** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.
- as.zooI** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.
- as.zooM** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a zoo object with monthly values.
- as.zooY** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a zoo object with yearly values.
- as.data.frameD** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a data.frame with daily values.
- as.data.frameI** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a data.frame with intradaily values.
- as.data.frameM** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a data.frame with monthly values.
- as.data.frameY** signature(object = "G0"): conversion to a data.frame with yearly values.
- indexD** signature(object = "G0"): index of the solD slot.
- indexI** signature(object = "G0"): index of the solI object.
- indexRep** signature(object = "G0"): accesor for the match slot.
- getLat** signature(object = "G0"): latitude of the inherited `Sol` object.
- xyplot** signature(x = "G0", data = "missing"): display the time series of daily values of irradiation.
- xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "G0"): displays the contents of a G0 object with the xyplot method for formulas.

## Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

## References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[Sol](#), [Gef](#).

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B4\_Gef-class

*Class "Gef": irradiation and irradiance on the generator plane.*

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## Description

This class contains the global, diffuse and direct irradiation and irradiance on the horizontal plane, and ambient temperature.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by the function [calcGef](#).

## Slots

GefI: Object of class "zoo" created by `fInclin`. It contains these components:

**Bo:** Extra-atmospheric irradiance on the inclined surface (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**Bn:** Direct normal irradiance (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**G, B, D, Di, Dc, R:** Global, direct, diffuse (total, isotropic and anisotropic) and albedo irradiance incident on an inclined surface (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**Gef, Bef, Def, Dief, Dcef, Ref:** Effective global, direct, diffuse (total, isotropic and anisotropic) and albedo irradiance incident on an inclined surface (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

**FTb, FTd, FTr:** Factor of angular losses for the direct, diffuse and albedo components

GefD: Object of class "zoo" with daily values of global, diffuse and direct irradiation.

Gefdm: Object of class "zoo" with monthly means of daily global, diffuse and direct irradiation.

Gefy: Object of class "zoo" with yearly sums of global, diffuse and direct irradiation.

Theta: Object of class "zoo" created by `fTheta`. It contains these components:

**Beta:** numeric, inclination angle of the surface (radians). When `modeTrk='fixed'` it is the value of the argument `beta` converted from degrees to radians.

**Alfa:** numeric, azimuth angle of the surface (radians). When `modeTrk='fixed'` it is the value of the argument `alfa` converted from degrees to radians.

**cosTheta:** numeric, cosine of the incidence angle of the solar irradiance on the surface

**iS:** numeric, degree of dirtiness.

**alb:** numeric, albedo reflection coefficient.

**modeTrk:** character, mode of tracking.

**modeShd:** character, mode of shadows.

**angGen:** A list with the values of `alfa`, `beta` and `betaLim`.

**struct:** A list with the dimensions of the structure.

**distances:** A data.frame with the distances between structures.

## Extends

Class "`G0`", directly. Class "`Meteo`", by class "`G0`", distance 2. Class "`Sol`", by class "`G0`", distance 2.

## Methods

**as.zooD** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.

**as.zooI** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.

**as.zooM** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a zoo object with monthly values.

**as.zooY** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a zoo object with yearly values.

**as.data.frameD** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a data.frame with daily values.

**as.data.frameI** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a data.frame with intradaily values.

**as.data.frameM** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a data.frame with monthly values.

**as.data.frameY** signature(object = "Gef"): conversion to a data.frame with yearly values.



- indexD** signature(object = "Gef"): index of the solD slot.
- indexI** signature(object = "Gef"): index of the solI object.
- indexRep** signature(object = "Gef"): accessor for the match slot.
- getLat** signature(object = "Gef"): latitude of the inherited `Sol` object.
- xyplot** signature(x = "Gef", data = "missing"): display the time series of daily values of irradiation.
- xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "Gef"): displays the contents of a Gef object with the xyplot method for formulas.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

### References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

### See Also

`Sol`, `G0`.

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B5\_ProdGCPV-class      *Class "ProdGCPV": performance of a grid connected PV system.*

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### Description

A class containing values of the performance of a grid connected PV system.

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by `prodGCPV`.

### Slots

`prodI`: Object of class "zoo" created by `fProd`. It includes these components:

- Tc**: cell temperature, °C.
- Voc, Isc, Vmpp, Impp**: open circuit voltage, short circuit current, MPP voltage and current, respectively.
- Vdc, Idc**: voltage and current at the input of the inverter.
- Pdc**: power at the input of the inverter, W
- Pac**: power at the output of the inverter, W
- EffI**: efficiency of the inverter

**prodD:** A zoo object with daily values of AC (Eac) and DC (Edc) energy (Wh), and productivity (Yf, Wh/Wp) of the system.

**prodDm:** A zoo object with monthly means of daily values of AC and DC energy (kWh), and productivity of the system.

**prody:** A zoo object with yearly sums of AC and DC energy (kWh), and productivity of the system.

**module:** A list with the characteristics of the module.

**generator:** A list with the characteristics of the PV generator.

**inverter:** A list with the characteristics of the inverter.

**effSys:** A list with the efficiency values of the system.

Besides, this class contains the slots from the "Meteo", "Sol", "G0" and "Gef" classes.

### Extends

Class "Gef", directly. Class "G0", by class "Gef", distance 2. Class "Meteo", by class "Gef", distance 3. Class "Sol", by class "Gef", distance 3.

### Methods

**as.zooD** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.

**as.zooI** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.

**as.zooM** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with monthly values.

**as.zooY** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with yearly values.

**as.data.frameD** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a data.frame with daily values.

**as.data.frameI** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a data.frame with intradaily values.

**as.data.frameM** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a data.frame with monthly values.

**as.data.frameY** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a data.frame with yearly values.

**indexD** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): index of the solD slot.

**indexI** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): index of the solI object.

**indexRep** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): accessor for the match slot.

**getLat** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): latitude of the inherited Sol object.

**xyplot** signature(x = "ProdGCPV", data = "missing"): display the time series of daily values.

**xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "ProdGCPV"): displays the contents of a ProdGCPV object with the xyplot method for formulas.

**as.zooD** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.

**as.zooI** signature(object = "ProdGCPV"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[Sol](#), [G0](#), [Gef](#), [Shade](#).

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B6\_ProdPVPS-class      *Class "ProdPVPS": performance of a PV pumping system.*

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**Description**

Performance of a PV pumping system with a centrifugal pump and a variable frequency converter.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by [prodPVPS](#).

**Slots**

prodI: Object of class "zoo" with these components:

**Q:** Flow rate, (m<sup>3</sup>/h)

**Pb, Ph:** Pump shaft power and hydraulic power (W), respectively.

**etam, etab:** Motor and pump efficiency, respectively.

**f:** Frequency (Hz)

prodD: A zoo object with daily values of AC energy (Wh), flow (m<sup>3</sup>) and productivity of the system.

prodDm: A zoo object with monthly means of daily values of AC energy (kWh), flow (m<sup>3</sup>) and productivity of the system.

prody: A zoo object with yearly sums of AC energy (kWh), flow (m<sup>3</sup>) and productivity of the system.

pump A list extracted from [pumpCoef](#)

H Total manometric head (m)

Pg Nominal power of the PV generator (Wp)

converter list containing the nominal power of the frequency converter, Pnom, and Ki, vector of three values, coefficients of the efficiency curve.

effSys list of numeric values with information about the system losses

Besides, this class contains the slots from the [Gef](#) class.

## Extends

Class `"Gef"`, directly. Class `"G0"`, by class `"Gef"`, distance 2. Class `"Meteo"`, by class `"Gef"`, distance 3. Class `"Sol"`, by class `"Gef"`, distance 3.

## Methods

**as.zooD** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a zoo object with daily values.

**as.zooI** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a zoo object with intradaily values.

**as.zooM** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a zoo object with monthly values.

**as.zooY** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a zoo object with yearly values.

**as.data.frameD** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a data.frame with daily values.

**as.data.frameI** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a data.frame with intradaily values.

**as.data.frameM** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a data.frame with monthly values.

**as.data.frameY** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): conversion to a data.frame with yearly values.

**indexD** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): index of the solD slot.

**indexI** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): index of the solI object.

**indexRep** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): accessor for the match slot.

**getLat** signature(object = "ProdPVPS"): latitude of the inherited `Sol` object.

**xyplot** signature(x = "ProdPVPS", data = "missing"): display the time series of daily values.

**xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "ProdPVPS"): displays the contents of a `ProdPVPS` object with the `xyplot` method for formulas.

## Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

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- Perpiñán, O, *Energía Solar Fotovoltaica*, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", *Journal of Statistical Software*, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[prodPVPS](#), [fPump](#).

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B7_Shade-class	Class "Shade": shadows in a PV system.
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### Description

A class for the optimization of shadows in a PV system.

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by `optimShd`.

### Slots

**FS:** numeric, shadows factor values for each combination of distances.

**GRR:** numeric, Ground Requirement Ratio for each combination.

**Yf:** numeric, final productivity for each combination.

**FS.loess:** A local fitting of FS with loess.

**Yf.loess:** A local fitting of Yf with loess.

**modeShd:** character, mode of shadows.

**struct:** A list with the dimensions of the structure.

**distances:** A data.frame with the distances between structures.

**res** numeric, difference (meters) between the different steps of the calculation.

Besides, as a reference, this class includes a `ProdGCPV` object with the performance of a PV systems without shadows.

### Extends

Class "`ProdGCPV`", directly. Class "`Gef`", by class "`ProdGCPV`", distance 2. Class "`G0`", by class "`ProdGCPV`", distance 3. Class "`Meteo`", by class "`ProdGCPV`", distance 4. Class "`Sol`", by class "`ProdGCPV`", distance 4.

### Methods

**as.data.frame** signature(`x = "Shade"`): conversion to a data.frame including columns for distances (Lew, Lns, and D) and results (FS, GRR and Yf).

**shadeplot** signature(`x = "Shade"`): display the results of the iteration with a level plot for the two-axis tracking, or with conventional plot for horizontal tracking and fixed systems.

**xyplot** signature(`x = "formula"`, `data = "Shade"`): display the content of the Shade object with the xyplot method for formulas.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

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**See Also**

[Gef](#), [ProdGCPV](#).

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C_corrFdKt	<i>Correlations between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index.</i>
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**Description**

A set of correlations between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index used by [fCompD](#) and [fCompI](#).

**Usage**

```
## Monthly means of daily values
FdKtPage(Ktd)
FdKtLJ(Ktd)

## Daily values
FdKtCPR(Ktd)
FdKtEKDd(Ktd, sol)
FdKtCLIMEDd(Ktd)

## Intradaily values
FdKtEKDh(kt)
FdKtCLIMEDh(kt)
FdKtBRL(kt, sol)
```

**Arguments**

Ktd	A numeric, the daily clearness index.
kt	A numeric, the intradaily clearness index.
sol	A Sol object provided by <a href="#">calcSol</a> or a zoo object provided by <a href="#">fSolD</a> or <a href="#">fSolI</a> .

**Value**

A numeric, the diffuse fraction.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro; The BRL model was suggested by Kevin Ummel.

**References**

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**See Also**

[fCompD](#), [fCompI](#)

**Examples**

```
Ktd=seq(0, 1, .01)
Monthly=data.frame(Ktd=Ktd)
Monthly$Page=FdKtPage(Ktd)
Monthly$LJ=FdKtLJ(Ktd)

xyplot(Page+LJ~Ktd, data=Monthly,
        type=c('l', 'g'), auto.key=list(space='right'))

Ktd=seq(0, 1, .01)
Daily=data.frame(Ktd=Ktd)
Daily$CPR=FdKtCPR(Ktd)
Daily$CLIMEDd=FdKtCLIMEDd(Ktd)

xyplot(CPR+CLIMEDd~Ktd, data=Daily,
        type=c('l', 'g'), auto.key=list(space='right'))
```

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C\_fBTd

*Daily time base*

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**Description**

Construction of a daily time base for solar irradiation calculation

## Usage

```
fBTd(mode = "prom",
      year=as.POSIXlt(Sys.Date())$year+1900,
      start=paste('01-01-',year,sep=' '),
      end=paste('31-12-',year,sep=' '),
      format='%d-%m-%Y')
```

## Arguments

mode	character, controls the type of time base to be created. With mode='serie' the result is a daily time series from start to end. With mode='prom' only twelve days, one for each month, are included. During these 'average days' the declination angle is equal to the monthly mean of this angle.
year	which year is to be used for the time base when mode='prom'. Its default value is the current year.
start	first day of the time base for mode='serie'. Its default value is the first of January of the current year.
end	last day of the time base for mode='serie'. Its default value is the last day of December of the current year.
format	format of start and end.

## Details

This function is commonly used inside fSoLD.

## Value

This function returns a POSIXct object.

## Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

## References

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[fSoLD](#), [as.POSIXct](#), [seq.POSIXt](#).



**Examples**

```
#Average days
fBTd(mode='prom')

#The day #100 of the year 2008
BTd=fBTd(mode='serie', year=2008)
BTd[100]
```

C\_fCompD

*Components of daily global solar irradiation on a horizontal surface***Description**

Extract the diffuse and direct components from the daily global irradiation on a horizontal surface by means of regressions between the clearness index and the diffuse fraction parameters.

**Usage**

```
fCompD(sol, G0d, corr = "CPR", f)
```

**Arguments**

sol	A Sol object from <a href="#">calcSol</a> or a zoo object from <a href="#">fSolD</a> . Both of them include a component named B00d, which stands for the extra-atmospheric daily irradiation incident on a horizontal surface
G0d	A Meteo object from <a href="#">readG0dm</a> , <a href="#">readBD</a> , or a zoo object containing daily global irradiation (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> ) on a horizontal surface. See below for corr='none'.
corr	A character, the correlation between the the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index to be used. With this version several options are available, as described in <a href="#">corrFdKt</a> . For example, the <a href="#">FdKtPage</a> is selected with corr='Page' and the <a href="#">FdKtCPR</a> with corr='CPR'. If corr='user' the use of a correlation defined by a function f is possible. If corr='none' the G0d object should include information about global, diffuse and direct daily irradiation with columns named G0d, D0d and B0d, respectively.
f	A function defining a correlation between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index. It is only necessary when corr='user'

**Value**

A zoo object which includes:

Fd	numeric, the diffuse fraction
Ktd	numeric, the clearness index
G0d	numeric, the global irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> )
D0d	numeric, the diffuse irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> )
B0d	numeric, the direct irradiation on a horizontal surface (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> )

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**See Also**

[fCompI](#)

**Examples**

```
lat=37.2;
BTd=fBTd(mode='serie')

Sold<-fSold(lat, BTd[100])

G0d=zoo(5000, index(Sold))
fCompD(Sold, G0d, corr = "Page")
fCompD(Sold, G0d, corr = "CPR")

#define a function fKtd with the correlation of CPR
fKTd=function(x){(0.99*(x<=0.17))+
                 (x>0.17)*(1.188-2.272*x+9.473*x^2-21.856*x^3+14.648*x^4)}
#The same as with corr="CPR"
fCompD(Sold,G0d, corr="user", f=fKTd)

lat=-37.2;
Solds<-fSold(lat, BTd[283])
G0d=zoo(5000, index(SoldS))
fCompD(SoldS, G0d, corr = "CPR")

lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2.766,3.491,4.494,5.912,6.989,7.742,7.919,7.027,5.369,3.562,2.814,2.179)*1000;
Rad=readG0dm(G0dm, lat=lat)
sold<-fSold(lat, fBTd(mode='prom'))
fCompD(sold, Rad, corr = 'Page')
```

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C\_fCompI

*Calculation of solar irradiance on a horizontal surface*

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**Description**

From the daily global, diffuse and direct irradiation values supplied by fCompD, the profile of the global, diffuse and direct irradiance is calculated with the rd and rg components of fSolI.

**Usage**

```
fCompI(sol, compD, G0I, corr='none', f, filterG0 = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

sol	A Sol object as provided by <code>calcSol</code> or a zoo object as provided by <code>fSolI</code> .
compD	A zoo object as provided by <code>fCompD</code> . It is not considered if <code>G0I</code> is provided.
G0I	A Meteo object from <code>readBDi</code> , <code>dfI2Meteo</code> or <code>zoo2Meteo</code> , or a zoo object containing <i>intradaily</i> global irradiation (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> ) on a horizontal surface. See below for <code>corr='none'</code> .
corr	A character, the correlation between the the fraction of intradaily diffuse irradiation and the clearness index to be used. It is ignored if <code>G0I</code> is not provided. With this version several correlations are available, as described in <code>corrFdKt</code> . You should choose one of <i>intradaily</i> proposals. For example, the <code>FdKtCLIMEDh</code> is selected with <code>corr='CLIMEDh'</code> . If <code>corr='user'</code> the use of a correlation defined by a function <code>f</code> is possible. If <code>corr='none'</code> the <code>G0I</code> object must include information about global, diffuse and direct intradaily irradiation with columns named <code>G0</code> , <code>D0</code> and <code>B0</code> , respectively.
f	A function defininig a correlation between the fraction of diffuse irradiation and the clearness index. It is only necessary when <code>corr='user'</code>
filterG0	A logical. If TRUE (default) this function sets the global irradiation values to NA when they are higher than the extra-atmospheric irradiation values.

**Value**

A zoo with these components:

kt	numeric, clearness index.
fd	numeric, diffuse fraction.
G0	numeric, global irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
D0	numeric, diffuse irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
B0	numeric, direct irradiance on a horizontal surface, (W/m <sup>2</sup> )

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**See Also**

[fCompD](#), [fSolI](#), [calcSol](#), [corrFdKt](#).

**Examples**

```
lat <- 37.2

BTd <- fBTd(mode='serie')
solD <- fSolD(lat, BTd[100])
solI <- fSolI(solD, sample='hour')
G0d <- zoo(5000, index(solD))
compD <- fCompD(solD, G0d, corr = "Page")
fCompI(solI, compD)

sol <- calcSol(lat, fBTd(mode='prom'), sample='hour', keep.night=FALSE)

G0dm <- c(2.766, 3.491, 4.494, 5.912, 6.989, 7.742,
          7.919, 7.027, 5.369, 3.562, 2.814, 2.179)*1000

Ta <- c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9,
        24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)

BD <- readG0dm(G0dm = G0dm, Ta = Ta, lat = lat)
compD <- fCompD(sol, BD, corr = 'Page')
compI <- fCompI(sol, compD)
head(compI)

## Use of 'corr'. The help page of calcG0 includes additional examples
## with intradaily data xyplot(fd ~ kt, data=compI)

climed <- fCompI(sol, G0I=compI, corr = 'CLIMEDh')
xyplot(fd ~ kt, data=climed)

ekdh <- fCompI(sol, G0I=compI, corr = 'EKDh')
xyplot(fd ~ kt, data=ekdh)

brl <- fCompI(sol, G0I=compI, corr = 'BRL')
xyplot(fd ~ kt, data=brl)
```

**Description**

The solar irradiance incident on an inclined surface is calculated from the direct and diffuse irradiance on a horizontal surface, and from the evolution of the angles of the Sun and the surface. Moreover, the effect of the angle of incidence and dust on the PV module is included to obtain the effective irradiance.

This function is used by the [calcGef](#) function.

**Usage**

```
fInclin(compI, angGen, iS = 2, alb = 0.2, horizBright=TRUE, HCPV=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

compI	A G0 object. It may be the result of <code>calcG0</code> .
angGen	A zoo object, including at least three variables named Beta, Alfa and cosTheta. It may be the result of <code>fTheta</code> .
iS	integer, degree of dirtiness. Its value must be included in the set (1,2,3,4). iS=1 corresponds to a clean surface while iS=4 is the choice for a dirty surface. Its default value is 2
alb	numeric, albedo reflection coefficient. Its default value is 0.2
horizBright	logical, if TRUE, the horizon brightness correction proposed by Reind et al. is used.
HCPV	logical, if TRUE the diffuse and albedo components of the <i>effective</i> irradiance are set to zero. HCPV is the acronym of High Concentration PV system.

**Details**

The solar irradiance incident on an inclined surface can be calculated from the direct and diffuse irradiance on a horizontal surface, and from the evolution of the angles of the Sun and the surface. The transformation of the direct radiation is straightforward since only geometric considerations are needed. However, the treatment of the diffuse irradiance is more complex since it involves the modelling of the atmosphere. There are several models for the estimation of diffuse irradiance on an inclined surface. The one which combines simplicity and acceptable results is the proposal of Hay and McKay. This model divides the diffuse component in isotropic and anisotropic whose values depends on a anisotropy index. On the other hand, the effective irradiance, the fraction of the incident irradiance that reaches the cells inside a PV module, is calculated with the losses due to the angle of incidence and dirtiness. This behaviour can be simulated with a model proposed by Martin and Ruiz requiring information about the angles of the surface and the level of dirtiness (iS).

**Value**

A zoo object with these components:

Bo	Extra-atmospheric irradiance on the inclined surface (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
Bn	Direct normal irradiance (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
G, B, D, Di, Dc, R	Global, direct, diffuse (total, isotropic and anisotropic) and albedo irradiance incident on an inclined surface (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
Gef, Bef, Def, Dief, Dcef, Ref	Effective global, direct, diffuse (total, isotropic and anisotropic) and albedo irradiance incident on an inclined surface (W/m <sup>2</sup> )
FTb, FTd, FTt	Factor of angular losses for the direct, diffuse and albedo components

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**See Also**

[fTheta](#), [fCompI](#), [calcGef](#).

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C\_fProd

*Performance of a PV system*

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**Description**

Simulate the behaviour of a grid connected PV system under different conditions of irradiance and temperature. This function is used by the [prodGCPV](#) function.

**Usage**

```
fProd(inclin, module, generator, inverter, effSys)
```

**Arguments**

inclin	A <a href="#">Gef</a> object, a zoo object or a data.frame. In case of being zoo or data.frame it must include a component named Gef (effective irradiance, W/m <sup>2</sup> ) and another named Ta (ambient temperature, °C).
module	list of numeric values with information about the PV module, Vocn open-circuit voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 57.6 volts.) Iscn short circuit current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.7 amperes.) Vmn maximum power point voltage of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 46.08 amperes.) Imn Maximum power current of the module at Standard Test Conditions (default value 4.35 amperes.)

	Ncs	number of cells in series inside the module (default value 96)
	Ncp	number of cells in parallel inside the module (default value 1)
	CoefVT	coefficient of decrement of voltage of each cell with the temperature (default value 0.0023 volts per celsius degree)
	TONC	nominal operational cell temperature, celsius degree (default value 47).
generator		list of numeric values with information about the generator,
	Nms	number of modules in series (default value 12)
	Nmp	number of modules in parallel (default value 11)
inverter		list of numeric values with information about the DC/AC inverter,
	Ki	vector of three values, coefficients of the efficiency curve of the inverter (default c(0.01, 0.025, 0.05)), or a matrix of nine values (3x3) if there is dependence with the voltage (see references).
	Pinv	nominal inverter power (W) (default value 25000 watts.)
	Vmin, Vmax	minimum and maximum voltages of the MPP range of the inverter (default values 420 and 750 volts)
	Gumb	minimum irradiance for the inverter to start (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) (default value 20 W/m <sup>2</sup> )
effSys		list of numeric values with information about the system losses,
	ModQual	average tolerance of the set of modules (%), default value is 3
	ModDisp	module parameter dispersion losses (%), default value is 2
	OhmDC	Joule losses due to the DC wiring (%), default value is 1.5
	OhmAC	Joule losses due to the AC wiring (%), default value is 1.5
	MPP	average error of the MPP algorithm of the inverter (%), default value is 1
	TrafoMT	losses due to the MT transformer (%), default value is 1
	Disp	losses due to stops of the system (%), default value is 0.5

## Value

If `inclin` is `zoo` or `Gef` object, the result is a `zoo` object with these components (if `inclin` is a `data.frame` the result is also a `data.frame` with these same components):

Tc	cell temperature, °C.
Voc, Isc, Vmpp, Impp	open circuit voltage, short circuit current, MPP voltage and current, respectively, in the conditions of irradiance and temperature provided by <code>Inclin</code>
Vdc, Idc	voltage and current at the input of the inverter. If no voltage limitation occurs (according to the values of <code>inverter\$Vmax</code> and <code>inverter\$Vmin</code> ), their values are identical to <code>Vmpp</code> and <code>Impp</code> . If the limit values are reached a warning is produced
Pdc	power at the input of the inverter, W
Pac	power at the output of the inverter, W
EffI	efficiency of the inverter

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**See Also**

[fInclin](#), [prodGCPV](#), [fTemp](#).

**Examples**

```
inclin=data.frame(Gef=c(200,400,600,800,1000),Ta=25)

#using default values
fProd(inclin)

#Using a matrix for Ki (voltage dependence)
inv1=list(Ki=rbind(c(-0.00019917, 7.513e-06, -5.4183e-09),
c(0.00806, -4.161e-06, 2.859e-08),
c(0.02118, 3.4002e-05, -4.8967e-08)))

fProd(inclin, inverter=inv1)

#Voltage limits of the inverter
inclin=data.frame(Gef=800,Ta=30)
gen1 = list(Nms = 10, Nmp = 11)

prod=fProd(inclin,generator=gen1)
print(prod)

with(prod,Vdc*Idc/(Vmpp*Impp))
```



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`C_fPump`*Performance of a centrifugal pump*

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**Description**

Compute the performance of the different parts of a centrifugal pump fed by a frequency converter following the affinity laws.

**Usage**

```
fPump(pump, H)
```

**Arguments**

<code>pump</code>	list containing the parameters of the pump to be simulated. It may be a row of <code>pumpCoef</code> .
<code>H</code>	Total manometric head (m).

**Value**

<code>lim</code>	Range of values of electrical power input
<code>fQ</code>	Function constructed with <code>splinefun</code> relating flow and electrical power
<code>fPb</code>	Function constructed with <code>splinefun</code> relating pump shaft power and electrical power of the motor
<code>fPh</code>	Function constructed with <code>splinefun</code> relating hydraulic power and electrical power of the motor
<code>fFreq</code>	Function constructed with <code>splinefun</code> relating frequency and electrical power of the motor

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**See Also**

`NmgPVPS`, `prodPVPS`, `pumpCoef`, `splinefun`.

**Examples**

```

library(latticeExtra)

data(pumpCoef)
CoefSP8A44<-subset(pumpCoef, Qn==8&stages==44)

fSP8A44<-fPump(pump=CoefSP8A44,H=40)
SP8A44=with(fSP8A44,{
  Pac=seq(lim[1],lim[2],by=100)
  Pb=fPb(Pac)
  etam=Pb/Pac
  Ph=fPh(Pac)
  etab=Ph/Pb
  f=fFreq(Pac)
  Q=fQ(Pac)
  result=data.frame(Q,Pac,Pb,Ph,etam,etab,f))

#Efficiency of the motor, pump and the motor-pump
SP8A44$etamb=with(SP8A44,etab*etam)
lab=c(expression(eta[motor]), expression(eta[pump]), expression(eta[mp]))
p<-xyplot(etam+etab+etamb~Pac,data=SP8A44,type='l', ylab='Efficiency')
p+glayer(panel.text(x[1], y[1], lab[group.number], pos=3))

#Mechanical, hydraulic and electrical power
lab=c(expression(P[pump]), expression(P[hyd]))
p<-xyplot(Pb+Ph~Pac,data=SP8A44,type='l', ylab='Power (W)', xlab='AC Power (W)')
p+glayer(panel.text(x[length(x)], y[length(x)], lab[group.number], pos=3))

#Flow and electrical power
xyplot(Q~Pac,data=SP8A44,type='l')

```

C\_fSoID

*Daily apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth***Description**

Compute the daily apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth. This movement is mainly described (for the simulation of photovoltaic systems) by the declination angle, the sunset angle and the daily extra-atmospheric irradiation.

**Usage**

```
fSoID(lat, BTd, method='michalsky')
```

**Arguments**

lat	Latitude (degrees) of the point of the Earth where calculations are needed. It is positive for locations above the Equator.
BTd	Daily temporal base, a POSIXct object which may be the result of <code>fBTd</code> .

method character, method for the sun geometry calculations to be chosen from 'cooper', 'spencer', 'michalsky' and 'strous'. See references for details.

### Value

A zoo object with these components:

decl	Declination angle (radians) for each day of year in dn or BTd
eo	Factor of correction due the eccentricity of orbit of the Earth around the Sun.
ws	Sunset angle (in radians) for each day of year. Due to the convention which considers that the solar hour angle is negative before midday, this angle is negative.
Bo0d	Extra-atmospheric daily irradiation (watt-hour per squared meter) incident on a horizontal surface
EoT	Equation of Time.

### Note

The latitude is stored as the attribute `lat` of the result, and thus it is accessible with `attr(object, 'lat')`.

### Author(s)

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### References

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### Examples

```
BTd=fBTd(mode='serie')

lat=37.2
fSoID(lat,BTd[100])
fSoID(lat,BTd[100], method='strous')
fSoID(lat,BTd[100], method='spencer')
fSoID(lat,BTd[100], method='cooper')

lat=-37.2
fSoID(lat,BTd[283])
```

```

#Solar angles along the year
Sold<-fSold(lat,BTd=fBTd())

library(lattice)
xyplot(Sold)

#Calculation of the daylength for several latitudes
library(latticeExtra)

Lats=c(-60,-40,-20,0,20,40,60)
NomLats=ifelse(Lats>0, paste(Lats,'N', sep=''), paste(abs(Lats), 'S',
sep=''))
NomLats[Lats==0]='0'

mat=matrix(nrow=365, ncol=length(Lats))
colnames(mat)=NomLats
WsZ=zoo(mat, fBTd(mode='serie'))

for (i in seq_along(Lats)){
  Soldaux<-fSold(lat=Lats[i],BTd=fBTd(mode='serie'));
  WsZ[,i]<-r2h(2*abs(Soldaux$ws))}

p=xyplot(WsZ, superpose=TRUE,
        ylab=expression(omega[s] (h)), auto.key=FALSE)
plab<-p+glayer(panel.text(x[1], y[1], NomLats[group.number], pos=2))
print(plab)

```

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C\_fSolI

*Instantaneous apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth*


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## Description

Compute the angles which describe the intradaily apparent movement of the Sun from the Earth.

## Usage

```
fSolI(sold, sample='hour', BTi, EoT=TRUE, keep.night=TRUE, method='michalsky')
```

## Arguments

sold	A zoo object with the result of fSold
sample	Increment of the intradaily sequence. It is a character string, containing one of "sec", "min", "hour". This can optionally be preceded by a (positive or negative) integer and a space, or followed by "s". It is used by <a href="#">seq.POSIXt</a> . It is not considered when BTi is provided.
BTi	Intradaily time base, a POSIXct object. It could be the index of the G0I argument to <a href="#">calcG0</a> . fSolI will produce results only for those days contained both in sold and in BTi.

EoT	logical, if TRUE (default) the Equation of Time is used.
keep.night	logical, if TRUE (default) the night is included in the time series.
method	character, method for the sun geometry calculations to be chosen from 'cooper', 'spencer', 'michalsky' and 'strous'. See references for details.

### Value

A zoo object is returned with these components:

w	numeric, solar hour angle (radians)
aman	logical, TRUE when Sun is above the horizon
cosThzS	numeric, cosine of the solar zenith angle
AzS	numeric, solar acimuth angle (radians)
AlS	numeric, solar elevation angle (radians)
Bo0	numeric, extra-atmospheric irradiance (W/m2)
rd, rg	numeric, relation between irradiance and irradiation of diffuse and global values, respectively, following the correlations proposed by Collares-Pereira and Rabl

The latitude is stored as the attribute lat of this object.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[fSollD](#)

**Examples**

```

###Angles for one day
BTd=fBTd(mode='serie')

#North hemisphere
lat=37.2
solD<-fSolD(lat,BTd[100])
solI<-fSolI(solD, sample='hour')
print(solI)

#South hemisphere
lat=-37.2;
solDs<-fSolD(lat,BTd[283])
solIs<-fSolI(solDs, sample='hour')
print(solIs)

###Angles for the 12 average days
lat=37.2;
solD<-fSolD(lat,BTd=fBTd(mode='prom'))
solI<-fSolI(solD, sample='10 min', keep.night=FALSE)

library(lattice)
library(latticeExtra)

###Solar elevation angle vs. azimuth.
#This kind of graphics is useful for shadows calculations
mon=month.abb
p<-xyplot(r2d(A1S)~r2d(AzS),
          groups=month,
          data=solI, type='l', col='black',
          xlab=expression(psi[s]),ylab=expression(gamma[s]))

plab<-p + glayer({
  idx <- round(length(x)/2+1)
  panel.text(x[idx], y[idx], mon[group.value], pos=3, offset=0.2, cex=0.8)})

print(plab)

```

**Description**

Compute the shadows factor for two-axis and horizontal N-S axis trackers and fixed surfaces.

**Usage**

```
fSombra(angGen, distances, struct, modeTrk='fixed',prom=TRUE)
```

```
fSombra6(angGen,distances,struct,prom=TRUE)
```

```
fSombra2X(angGen,distances,struct)
```

```
fSombraHoriz(angGen, distances,struct)
```

```
fSombraEst(angGen, distances,struct)
```

### Arguments

angGen	A zoo object, including at least variables named Beta, Alfa, AzS, AlS and cosTheta.
distances	data.frame, with a component named Lew, being the distance (meters) between horizontal NS and two-axis trackers along the East-West direction, a component named Lns for two-axis trackers or a component named D for static surfaces. An additional component named H can be included with the relative height (meters) between surfaces. When modeTrk='two' (or when fSombra6 is used) this data.frame may have five rows. Each of these rows defines the distances of a tracker in a set of six ones.
struct	list. When modeTrk='fixed' or modeTrk='horiz' only a component named L, which is the height (meters) of the tracker, is needed. For two-axis trackers (modeTrk='two'), an additional component named W, the width of the tracker, is required. Moreover, two components named Nrow and Ncol are included under this list. These components define, respectively, the number of rows and columns of the whole set of trackers in the PV plant.
modeTrk	character, to be chosen from 'fixed', 'two' or 'horiz'. When modeTrk='fixed' the surface is fixed (inclination and azimuth angles are constant). The performance of a two-axis tracker is calculated with modeTrk='two', and modeTrk='horiz' is the option for an horizontal N-S tracker. Its default value is modeTrk='fixed'
prom	logical, only needed for two-axis tracker mode. If TRUE the shadows are averaged between the set of trackers defined by struct\$Nrow and struct\$Ncol

### Details

fSombra is only a wrapper for fSombra6 (two-axis trackers), fSombraEst (fixed systems) and fSombraHoriz (horizontal N-S axis trackers). Depending on the value of modeTrk the corresponding function is selected. fSombra6 calculates the shadows factor in a set of six two-axis trackers. If distances has only one row, this function constructs a symmetric grid around a tracker located at (0,0,0). These five trackers are located at (-Lew, Lns, H), (0, Lns, H), (Lew, Lns, H), (-Lew, 0, H) and (Lns, 0, H). It is possible to define a irregular grid around (0,0,0) including five rows in distances. When prom=TRUE the shadows factor for each of the six trackers is calculated. Then, according to the distribution of trackers in the plant defined by struct\$Nrow and struct\$Ncol, a weighted average of the shadows factors is the result. It is important to note that the distances are defined between axis for trackers and between similar points of the structure for fixed surfaces.

**Value**

data.frame including angGen and a variable named FS, which is the shadows factor. This factor is the ratio between the area of the generator affected by shadows and the total area. Therefore its value is 1 when the PV generator is completely shadowed.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

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- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[calcShd](#), [optimShd](#), [fTheta](#), [calcSol](#)

**Examples**

```
lat=37.2;
sol<-calcSol(lat, fBTd(mode='prom'), sample='10 min', keep.night=FALSE)
angGen<-fTheta(sol, beta=35);
Angles=CBIND(as.zooI(sol), angGen)

###Two-axis tracker
#Symmetric grid
distances=data.frame(Lew=40,Lns=30,H=0)
struct=list(W=23.11, L=9.8, Nrow=2, Ncol=8)

ShdFactor<-fSombra6(Angles, distances, struct, prom=FALSE)

Angles$FS=ShdFactor
xyplot(FS~w, groups=month, data=Angles,
       type='l',auto.key=list(space='right', lines=TRUE, points=FALSE))

#Symmetric grid defined with a five rows data.frame
distances=data.frame(Lew=c(-40,0,40,-40,40),Lns=c(30,30,30,0,0),H=0)
ShdFactor2<-fSombra6(Angles, distances, struct,prom=FALSE)

#of course, with the same result
identical(coredata(ShdFactor), coredata(ShdFactor2))
```



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`C_fTemp`*Intradaily evolution of ambient temperature*

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**Description**

From the maximum and minimum daily values of ambient temperature, its evolution is calculated through a combination of cosine functions (ESRA method)

**Usage**

```
fTemp(sol, BD)
```

**Arguments**

<code>sol</code>	A <code>Sol</code> object. It may be the result of the <code>calcSol</code> function.
<code>BD</code>	A <code>Meteo</code> object, as provided by the <code>readBD</code> function. It must include information about <code>TempMax</code> and <code>TempMin</code> .

**Details**

The ESRA method estimates the dependence of the temperature on the time of the day (given as the local solar time) from only two inputs: minimum and maximum daily temperatures. It assumes that the temperature daily profile can be described using three piecewise cosine functions, dividing the day into three periods: from midnight to sunrise, from sunrise to the time of peak temperature (3 hours after midday), and to midnight.

**Value**

A zoo object with the profile of the ambient temperature.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

- Huld, T. , Suri, M., Dunlop, E. D., and Micale F., Estimating average daytime and daily temperature profiles within Europe, *Environmental Modelling & Software* 21 (2006) 1650-1661.
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**See Also**

[calcSol](#), [readBD](#).

C\_fTheta

*Angle of incidence of solar irradiation on a inclined surface***Description**

The orientation, azimuth and incidence angle are calculated from the results of `fSolI` or `calcSoland` from the information supplied by the arguments `beta` and `alfa` when the surface is fixed (`modeTrk='fixed'`) or the movement equations when a tracking surface is chosen (`modeTrk='horiz'` or `modeTrk='two'`). Besides, the modified movement of a horizontal NS tracker due to the backtracking strategy is calculated if `BT=TRUE` with information about the tracker and the distance between the trackers included in the system.

This function is used by the `calcGef` function.

**Usage**

```
fTheta(sol, beta, alfa = 0, modeTrk = "fixed", betaLim = 90,
       BT = FALSE, struct, dist)
```

**Arguments**

<code>sol</code>	Sol object as provided by <code>calcSol</code> .
<code>beta</code>	numeric, inclination angle of the surface (degrees). It is only needed when <code>modeTrk='fixed'</code> .
<code>alfa</code>	numeric, azimuth angle of the surface (degrees). It is measured from the south ( <code>alfa = 0</code> ), and it is negative to the east and positive to the west. It is only needed when <code>modeTrk='fixed'</code> . Its default value is <code>alfa=0</code> (surface facing to the south).
<code>modeTrk</code>	character, to be chosen from <code>'fixed'</code> , <code>'two'</code> or <code>'horiz'</code> . When <code>modeTrk='fixed'</code> the surface is fixed (inclination and azimuth angles are constant). The performance of a two-axis tracker is calculated with <code>modeTrk='two'</code> , and <code>modeTrk='horiz'</code> is the option for an horizontal N-S tracker. Its default value is <code>modeTrk='fixed'</code>
<code>betaLim</code>	numeric, maximum value of the inclination angle for a tracking surface. Its default value is 90 (no limitation)
<code>BT</code>	logical, TRUE when the backtracking technique is to be used with a horizontal NS tracker, as described by Panico et al. (see References). The default value is FALSE. In future versions of this package this technique will be available for two-axis trackers.
<code>struct</code>	Only needed when <code>BT=TRUE</code> . A list, with a component named <code>L</code> , which is the height (meters) of the tracker. In future versions the backtracking technique will be used in conjunction with two-axis trackers, and an additional component named <code>W</code> will be needed.
<code>dist</code>	Only needed when <code>BT=TRUE</code> . A data.frame, with a component named <code>Lew</code> , being the distance between the horizontal NS trackers along the East-West direction. In future versions an additional component named <code>Lns</code> will be needed for two-axis trackers with backtracking.

**Value**

A zoo object with these components:

Beta	numeric, inclination angle of the surface (radians). When modeTrk='fixed' it is the value of the argument beta converted from degrees to radians.
Alfa	numeric, azimuth angle of the surface (radians). When modeTrk='fixed' it is the value of the argument alfa converted from degrees to radians.
cosTheta	numeric, cosine of the incidence angle of the solar irradiance on the surface

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

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- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[fInclin](#), [fSombra](#), [calcGef](#).

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C\_HQCurve

*H-Q curves of a centrifugal pump*

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**Description**

Compute and display the H-Q curves of a centrifugal pump fed working at several frequencies, and the iso-efficiency curve as a reference.

**Usage**

HQCurve(pump)

**Arguments**

pump            list containing the parameters of the pump to be simulated. It may be a row of [pumpCoef](#).

**Value**

result	A data.frame with the result of the simulation. It contains several columns with values of manometric height (H), frequency (fe and fb), mechanical power (Pb), AC electrical power (Pm), DC electrical power (Pdc) and efficiency of the pump (etab) and motor (etam).
plot	The plot with several curves labelled with the correspondent frequencies, and the isoefficiency curve (named "ISO").

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

- Abella, M. A., Lorenzo, E. y Chenlo, F.: PV water pumping systems based on standard frequency converters. *Progress in Photovoltaics: Research and Applications*, 11(3):179–191, 2003, ISSN 1099-159X.
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**See Also**

[NmgPVPS](#), [prodPVPS](#), [pumpCoef](#).

**Examples**

```
library(lattice)
library(latticeExtra)

data(pumpCoef)

CoefSP8A44<-subset(pumpCoef, Qn==8&stages==44)
CurvaSP8A44<-HQCurve(pump=CoefSP8A44)
```

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C\_local2Solar

*Local time, mean solar time and UTC time zone.*

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**Description**

The function `local2Solar` converts the time zone of a `POSIXct` object to the mean solar time and set its time zone to UTC as a synonym of mean solar time. It includes two corrections: the difference of longitudes between the location and the time zone, and the daylight saving time.

The function `CBIND` combines several objects (`zoo`, `data.frame` or `matrix`) preserving the index of the first of them or assigning a new one with the `index` argument.

The function `lonHH` calculates the longitude (radians) of a time zone.

**Usage**

```
local2Solar(x, lon = NULL)
CBIND(..., index=NULL)
lonHH(tz)
```

**Arguments**

x	a POSIXct object
lon	A numeric value of the longitude (degrees) of the location. If lon=NULL (default), this value is assumed to be equal to the longitude of the time zone of x, so only the daylight saving time correction (if needed) is included.
...	A set of zoo objects.
index	A POSIXct object, the index of zoo object constructed with CBIND.
tz	A character, a time zone.

**Details**

Since the result of `local2Solar` is the mean solar time, the Equation of Time correction is not calculated with this function. The `fSolI` function includes this correction if desired.

If the `index` argument of `CBIND` is `NULL` (default) the first object of `...` must be a zoo object.

**Value**

The function `local2Solar` produces a POSIXct object with its time zone set to UTC.

The function `CBIND` produces a zoo object.

The function `lonHH` gives a numeric value.

**Note**

It is important to note that the `solaR` package sets the system time zone to UTC with `Sys.setenv(TZ='UTC')`. Every zoo object created by the package will have an index with this time zone and will be supposed to be mean solar time.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**References**

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**Examples**

```

t.local<-as.POSIXct("2006-01-08 10:07:52", tz='Europe/Madrid')

##The local time zone and the location have the same longitude (15 degrees)
local2Solar(t.local)
##But Madrid is at lon=-3
local2Solar(t.local, lon=-3)

##Daylight saving time
t.local.dst<-as.POSIXct("2006-07-08 10:07:52", tz='Europe/Madrid')

local2Solar(t.local.dst)
local2Solar(t.local.dst, lon=-3)

## Not run:
##Extracted from an example of calcG0
##NREL-MIDC
##La Ola, Lanai
##Latitude: 20.76685o North
##Longitude: 156.92291o West
##Time Zone: -10.0

NRELurl <- 'http://goo.gl/ffEBN'

dat <- read.table(NRELurl, header=TRUE, sep=',')
names(dat) <- c('date', 'hour', 'G0', 'B', 'D0', 'Ta')

##B is direct normal. We need direct horizontal.
dat$B0 <- dat$G0-dat$D0

##http://www.nrel.gov/midc/la_ola_lanai/instruments.html:
##The datalogger program runs using Greenwich Mean Time (GMT),
##data is converted to Hawaii Standard Time (HST) after data collection
idxLocal <- with(dat, as.POSIXct(paste(date, hour), format='%m/%d/%Y %H:%M', tz='HST'))
head(idxLocal)
idx <- local2Solar(idxLocal, lon=-156.9339)
head(idx)

## End(Not run)

```

**Description**

This function simulate the performance of a water pump fed by a frequency converter with several PV generators of different size during a day. The result is plotted as a nomogram which relates the nominal power of the PV generator, the total water flow and the total manometric head.

**Usage**

```
NmgPVPS(pump, Pg, H, Gd, Ta=30,
         lambda=0.0045, TONC=47, eta=0.95,
         Gmax=1200, t0=6, Nm=6,
         title='', theme=custom.theme.2())
```

**Arguments**

pump	A list extracted from <a href="#">pumpCoef</a>
Pg	Sequence of values of the nominal power of the PV generator (Wp))
H	Sequence of values of the total manometric head (m)
Gd	Global irradiation incident on the generator (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> )
Ta	Ambient temperature (°C).
lambda	Power losses factor due to temperature
TONC	Nominal operational cell temperature (°C).
eta	Average efficiency of the frequency converter
Gmax	Maximum value of irradiance (parameter of the IEC 61725)
t0	Hours from midday to sunset (parameter of the IEC 61725)
Nm	Number of samples per hour
title	Main title of the plot.
theme	Theme of the lattice plot.

**Details**

This function computes the irradiance profile according to the IEC 61725 "Analytical Expression for Daily Solar Profiles", which is a common reference in the official documents regarding PV pumping systems. At this version only pumps from the manufacturer Grundfos are included in [pumpCoef](#).

**Value**

I	list with the results of irradiance, power and flow of the system.
D	list with the results of total irradiation, electrical energy and flow for every nominal power of the generator.
param	list with the arguments used in the call to the function.
plot	trellis object containing the nomogram.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

## References

- Abella, M. A., Lorenzo, E. y Chenlo, F.: PV water pumping systems based on standard frequency converters. *Progress in Photovoltaics: Research and Applications*, 11(3):179–191, 2003, ISSN 1099-159X.
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- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", *Journal of Statistical Software*, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

## See Also

[fPump](#), [prodPVPS](#), [pumpCoef](#)

## Examples

```
Pg=seq(4000,8000,by=100);
H=seq(120,150,by=5);

data(pumpCoef)

CoefSP8A44<-subset(pumpCoef, Qn==8&stages==44)

NmgSP8A44<-NmgPVPS(pump=CoefSP8A44,Pg=Pg,H=H,Gd=5000,
  title='Choice of Pump', theme=custom.theme())
```

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C\_sample2Diff

*Small utilities for difftime objects.*

---

## Description

`diff2Hours` converts a `difftime` object into its numeric value with `units='hours'`.

`char2diff` converts a character description into a `difftime` object, following the code of [seq.POSIXt](#).

`sample2Hours` calculates the sampling time in hours described by a character or a `difftime`.

`P2E` (power to energy) sums a series of power values (for example, irradiance) to obtain energy aggregation (for example, irradiation) using `sample2Hours` for the units conversion.

## Usage

```
diff2Hours(by)
char2diff(by)
sample2Hours(by)
P2E(x, by)
```

## Arguments

<code>by</code>	A character for <code>char2diff</code> , <code>sample2Hours</code> and <code>P2E</code> , or a <code>difftime</code> for <code>diff2Hours</code> , <code>sample2Hours</code> and <code>P2E</code> .
<code>x</code>	A numeric vector.



**Value**

A numeric value or a difftime object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**See Also**

[Sol](#)

**Examples**

```
char2diff('min')
char2diff('2 s')
```

```
sample2Hours('s')
sample2Hours('30 m')
```

```
by1<-char2diff('10 min')
sample2Hours(by1)
```

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C\_utils-angle

*Conversion between angle units.*

---

**Description**

Several small functions to convert angle units.

**Usage**

```
d2r(x)
r2d(x)
h2r(x)
h2d(x)
r2h(x)
d2h(x)
r2sec(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A numeric value.

**Value**

A numeric value:

**d2r:** Degrees to radians.

**r2d:** Radians to degrees.

**h2r:** Hours to radians.

**r2h:** Radians to hours.

**h2d:** Hours to degrees.

**d2h:** Degrees to hours.

**r2sec:** Radians to seconds.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

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C\_utils-time

*Utilities for time indexes.*

---

**Description**

Several small functions to extract information from POSIXct indexes.

**Usage**

```
hour(x)
minute(x)
second(x)
hms(x)
doy(x)
dom(x)
month(x)
year(x)
DoY(x)
DoM(x)
Month(x)
Year(x)
dst(x)
truncDay(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A POSIXct vector.

**Value**

The functions year, month, day, hour, minute, second give the numeric value corresponding to their names.

doy and dom provide the (numeric) day of year and day of month, respectively.

Month, Year, DoY and DoM give the same result as month, year, doy and dom in a character string format.

hms gives the numeric value  $\text{hour}(x) + \text{minute}(x)/60 + \text{second}(x)/3600$

dst is +1 if the Daylight Savings Time flag is in force, zero if not, -1 if unknown ([DateTimeClasses](#)).

truncDay truncates the POSIXct object towards the day.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro.

**See Also**

as.POSIXct

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D\_as.data.frameD-methods

*Methods for Function as.data.frameD*

---

**Description**

Convert a Sol object (or a extended class) into a data.frame with daily values.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
as.data.frameD(object, complete=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

object	A Sol object (or extended.)
complete	A logical.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Sol") This function converts the object into a zoo container with the as.zooD function and then into a data.frame with as.data.frame. Besides, it includes three additional columns named month, day (day of year) and year.

See [as.zooD-methods](#) for a description of the argument complete.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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 D\_as.data.frameI-methods

*Methods for Function as.data.frameI*


---

### Description

Convert a Sol object (or a extended class) into a data.frame with intradaily values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
as.data.frameI(object, complete=FALSE, day=FALSE)
```

### Arguments

object	A Sol object (or extended.)
complete	A logical.
day	A logical.

### Methods

signature(object = "Sol") This function converts the object into a zoo container with the as.zooI function and then into a data.frame with as.data.frame. Besides, it includes three additional columns named month, day (day of year) and year.

See [as.zooI-methods](#) for a description of the arguments complete and day.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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 D\_as.data.frameM-methods

*Methods for Function as.data.frameM*


---

### Description

Convert a G0 object (or a extended class) into a data.frame with monthly values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
as.data.frameM(object, complete=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

object            A G0 object (or extended.)  
complete         A logical.

**Methods**

signature(object = "G0") This function converts the object into a zoo container with the `as.zooM` function and then into a `data.frame` with `as.data.frame`. Besides, it includes two additional columns named `month` and `year`.

See [as.zooM-methods](#) for a description of the argument `complete`.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_as.data.frameY-methods

*Methods for Function as.data.frameY*

---

**Description**

Convert a G0 object (or a extended class) into a `data.frame` with yearly values.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'  
as.data.frameY(object, complete=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

object            A G0 object (or extended.)  
complete         A logical.

**Methods**

signature(object = "G0") This function converts the object into a zoo container with the `as.zooY` function and then into a `data.frame` with `as.data.frame`. Besides, it includes an additional column named `year`.

See [as.zooY-methods](#) for a description of the argument `complete`.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_as.zooD-methods      *Methods for Function as.zooD*

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### Description

Convert a Sol, G0, Gef, ProdGCPV or ProdPVPS object into a zoo object with daily values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
as.zooD(object, complete=FALSE)
```

### Arguments

object	A Sol object (or extended.)
complete	A logical.

### Methods

signature(object = "Sol") Conversion to a zoo object with the content of the solD slot.

signature(object = "G0") If complete=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of G0d, D0d and B0d from the G0D slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots solD and G0D.

signature(object = "Gef") If complete=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Gefd, Defd and Befd from the GefD slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots solD, G0D and GefD

signature(object = "ProdGCPV") If complete=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Eac, Edc and Yf from the prodD slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots solD, G0D, GefD and prodD.

signature(object = "ProdPVPS") If complete=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Eac, Qd and Yf from the prodD slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots solD, G0D, GefD and prodD.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_as.zooI-methods      *Methods for Function as.zooI*


---

**Description**

Convert a Sol, G0, Gef, ProdGCPV or ProdPVPS object into a zoo object with intradaily values and (optionally) daily values.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
as.zooI(object, complete=FALSE, day=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

object	A Sol object (or extended).
complete	A logical.
day	A logical.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Sol") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the content of the solI slot. If day=TRUE the contents of the solD slot are included.

signature(object = "G0") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of G0, D0 and B0 of the G0I slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots G0I and solI. If day=TRUE the daily values (slots G0D and solD) are also included.)

signature(object = "Gef") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Gef, Def and Bef of the GefI slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots GefI, G0I and solI. If day=TRUE the daily values (slots GefD, G0D and solD) are also included.)

signature(object = "ProdGCPV") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Pac and Pdc of the prodI slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots prodI, GefI, G0I and solI. If day=TRUE the daily values (slots prodD, GefD, G0D and solD) are also included.)

signature(object = "ProdPVPS") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Pac and Q of the prodI slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots prodI, GefI, G0I and solI. If day=TRUE the daily values (slots prodD, GefD, G0D and solD) are also included.)

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_as.zooM-methods      *Methods for Function as.zooM*

---

### Description

Convert a G0, Gef, ProdGCPV or ProdPVPS object into a zoo object with monthly average of daily values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
as.zooM(object, complete=FALSE)
```

### Arguments

object            A G0 object (or extended.)  
complete         A logical.

### Methods

signature(object = "G0") The result is the G0dm slot.  
signature(object = "Gef") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the slot Gefdm. If complete=TRUE it returns the slot G0dm.  
signature(object = "ProdGCPV") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the prodDm slot. If complete=TRUE the result includes the slots G0dm and Gefdm.  
signature(object = "ProdPVPS") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the prodDm slot. If complete=TRUE the result includes the slots G0dm and Gefdm.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_as.zooY-methods      *Methods for Function as.zooY*

---

### Description

Convert a G0, Gef, ProdGCPV or ProdPVPS object into a zoo object with yearly values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
as.zooY(object, complete=FALSE)
```



**Arguments**

object            A G0 object (or extended.)  
 complete        A logical.

**Methods**

signature(object = "G0") The result is the G0y slot.  
 signature(object = "Gef") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the slot Gefy. If complete=TRUE it returns the slot G0y.  
 signature(object = "ProdGCPV") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the prody slot. If complete=TRUE the result includes the slots G0y and Gefy.  
 signature(object = "ProdPVPS") If complete=FALSE (default) the result is the prody slot. If complete=TRUE the result includes the slots G0y and Gefy.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_compare-methods        *Compare G0, Gef and ProdGCPV objects*

---

**Description**

Compare and plot the yearly values of several objects.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
compare(...)
```

**Arguments**

...                A list of objects to be compared.

**Methods**

The class of the first element of ... is used to determine the suitable method. The result is plotted with `dotplot`:

```
signature(... = "G0") yearly values of G0d, B0d and D0d.
signature(... = "Gef") yearly values of Gefd, Befd and Defd.
signature(... = "ProdGCPV") yearly values of Yf, Gefd and G0d.
```

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**See Also**[dotplot](#)**Examples**

```
lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814,
2179)
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

###Comparison of different tracker methods
ProdFixed<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, keep.night=FALSE)
Prod2x<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two', keep.night=FALSE)
ProdHoriz<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='horiz', keep.night=FALSE)

compare(ProdFixed, Prod2x, ProdHoriz)

##The first element rules the method
GefFixed=as(ProdFixed, 'Gef')
compare(GefFixed, Prod2x, ProdHoriz)
```

---

D\_getData-methods

*Methods for function getData*

---

**Description**

Meteorological source data of a Meteo (or extended) object.

**Methods**

`signature(object = "Meteo")` returns the meteorological source data of the slot data of the object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_getG0-methods      *Methods for function getG0*

---

**Description**

Global irradiation source data of a Meteo (or extended) object.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Meteo") returns the global irradiation values stored in a Meteo object.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_getLat-methods      *Methods for Function getLat*

---

**Description**

Latitude angle of solar objects.

**Usage**

```
getLat(object, units='rad')
```

**Arguments**

object	A Sol or Meteo object (or extended.)
units	A character, 'rad' or 'deg'.

**Methods**

This function returns the latitude angle in radians (units='rad', default) or degrees (units='deg').

signature(object = "Meteo") Value of the latData slot, which is defined by the argument lat of the [readG0dm](#) and [readBD](#) functions, or by the lat component of the dataRad object passed to calcG0 (or equivalent) . It is the latitude of the meteorological station (or equivalent) which provided the irradiation source data. It may be different from the value used for the calculation procedure.

signature(object = "Sol") Value of the lat slot, which is defined by the argument lat of the calcSol function. It is the value used through the calculation procedure.

signature(object = "G0") same as for the Sol class.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_indexD-methods      *Methods for Function indexD*

---

**Description**

Daily time index of solaR objects.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Meteo") returns the index of the data slot (a zoo object.)

signature(object = "Sol") returns the index of the solD slot (a zoo object.)

signature(object = "G0") same as for object='Sol'

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_indexI-methods      *Methods for Function indexI*

---

**Description**

Intra-daily time index of solaR objects.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Sol") returns the index of the slot solI (a zoo object).

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_indexRep-methods      *Methods for Function indexRep*

---

**Description**

Daily time index of solaR object.

**Methods**

signature(object = "Sol") returns the daily index of the solD slot but repeated to match the length of the index of the solI slot.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

---

D\_levelplot-methods      *Methods for function levelplot.*

---

### Description

Methods for function levelplot and zoo and solar objects.

### Methods

signature(x = "formula", data = "zoo"): The zoo object is converted into a data.frame object and additional columns are added (day, month and year, and w with the solar hour in radians). This data.frame is the data argument for a call to levelplot, using the S3 method for class formula.

signature(x = "formula", data = "Meteo"): The Meteo object is converted into a zoo object, and the previous method is used.

signature(x = "formula", data = "Sol"): idem

signature(x = "formula", data = "G0"): idem

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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D\_Losses-methods      *Losses of a GCPV system*

---

### Description

The function losses calculates the yearly losses from a Gef or a ProdGCPV object. The function compareLosses compares the losses from several ProdGCPV objects and plots the result with [dotplot](#).

### Usage

```
compareLosses(...)
losses(object)
```

### Arguments

...                    A list of ProdGCPV objects to be compared.  
object                An object of Gef or ProdGCPV class..

### Methods

signature(... = "Gef") shadows and angle of incidence (AoI) losses.

signature(... = "ProdGCPV") shadows, AoI, generator (mainly temperature), DC and AC system (as detailed in effSys of [fProd](#)) and inverter losses.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**References**

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

**See Also**

[fInclin](#), [fProd](#)

**Examples**

```
lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814,
2179)
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

###Comparison of different tracker methods
ProdFixed<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, keep.night=FALSE)
Prod2x<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two', keep.night=FALSE)
ProdHoriz<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, modeTrk='horiz', keep.night=FALSE)

losses(ProdFixed)
losses(as(ProdFixed, 'Gef'))

compareLosses(ProdFixed, Prod2x, ProdHoriz)
```

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D\_mergesolaR-methods    *Merge solaR objects*

---

**Description**

Merge the daily time series of solaR objects

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
mergesolaR(...)
```

**Arguments**

...                    A list of objects to be merged.

## Methods

The class of the first element of ... is used to determine the suitable method. Only the most important daily variable is merged, depending on the class of the objects:

```
signature(... = "Meteo") G0
signature(... = "G0") G0d
signature(... = "Gef") Gefd
signature(... = "ProdGCPV") Yf
signature(... = "ProdPVPS") Yf
```

## Examples

```
lat=37.2;
G0dm=c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814,
2179)
Ta=c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom=list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

###Different tracker methods
ProdFixed<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, keep.night=FALSE)
Prod2x<-prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeTrk='two', keep.night=FALSE)
ProdHoriz<-prodGCPV(lat=lat,dataRad=prom, modeTrk='horiz', keep.night=FALSE)

prod <- mergesolaR(ProdFixed, Prod2x, ProdHoriz)
head(prod)
```

---

D\_shadeplot-methods    *Methods for Function shadeplot*

---

## Description

Visualization of the content of a [Shade](#) object.

## Methods

`signature(x = "Shade")` display the results of the iteration with a level plot for the two-axis tracking, or with conventional plot for horizontal tracking and fixed systems.

## Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**Description**

Method for extracting the subset of a `solr` object whose daily time index (`indexD`) is comprised between the times `i` and `j`.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Meteo'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S4 method for signature 'G0'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S4 method for signature 'Gef'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S4 method for signature 'ProdGCPV'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S4 method for signature 'ProdPVPS'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A <code>Meteo</code> , <code>Sol</code> , etc. object.
<code>i</code>	an index/time value ( <code>Date</code> or <code>POSIXct</code> classes) defining the start of the time window.
<code>j</code>	an index/time value ( <code>Date</code> or <code>POSIXct</code> classes) defining the end of the time window.
<code>..., drop</code>	Additional arguments for <code>window.zoo</code>

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

**See Also**

[window.zoo](#) [indexD](#)

**Examples**

```
lat=37.2
sol=calcSol(lat, BTd=fBTd(mode='serie'))
range(indexD(sol))

start <- as.Date(indexD(sol)[1])
```



```

end <- start + 30

solWindow <- sol[start, end]
range(indexD(solWindow))

```

---

D\_writeSolar-methods *Exporter of solaR results*

---

## Description

Exports the results of the solaR functions as text files using [read.zoo](#)

## Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'Sol'
writeSolar(object, file, complete=FALSE,
           day=FALSE, timeScales=c('i', 'd', 'm', 'y'), sep=',', ...)

```

## Arguments

object	A Sol object (or extended.)
file	A character with the name of the file.
complete	A logical. Should all the variables be exported?
day	A logical. Should be daily values included in the intradaily file?
timeScales	A character. Use 'i' to export intradaily values, 'd' for daily values, 'm' for monthly values and 'y' for yearly values. A different file will be created for each choice.
sep	The field separator character.
...	Additional arguments for <code>write.zoo</code>

## Methods

`signature(object = "Sol")` This function exports the slots with results using [write.zoo](#). If `complete=FALSE` and `day=FALSE` (default) the result includes only the content of the `solI` slot. If `day=TRUE` the contents of the `solD` slot are included.

`signature(object = "G0")` If `complete=FALSE` and `day=FALSE` (default) the result includes only the columns of `G0`, `D0` and `B0` of the `G0I` slot. If `complete=TRUE` it returns the contents of the slots `G0I` and `solI`. If `day=TRUE` the daily values (slots `G0D` and `solD`) are also included.

`signature(object = "Gef")` If `complete=FALSE` and `day=FALSE` (default) the result includes only the columns of `Gef`, `Def` and `Bef` of the `GefI` slot. If `complete=TRUE` it returns the contents of the slots `GefI`, `G0I` and `solI`. If `day=TRUE` the daily values (slots `GefD`, `G0D` and `solD`) are also included.

`signature(object = "ProdGCPV")` If `complete=FALSE` and `day=FALSE` (default) the result includes only the columns of `Pac` and `Pdc` of the `prodI` slot. If `complete=TRUE` it returns the contents of the slots `prodI`, `GefI`, `G0I` and `solI`. If `day=TRUE` the daily values (slots `prodD`, `GefD`, `G0D` and `solD`) are also included.

signature(object = "ProdPVPS") If complete=FALSE and day=FALSE (default) the result includes only the columns of Pac and Q of the prodI slot. If complete=TRUE it returns the contents of the slots prodI, GefI, G0I and solI. If day=TRUE the daily values (slots prodD, GefD, G0D and solD) are also included.

### Author(s)

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

### See Also

[write.zoo](#), [read.zoo](#), [as.zooI](#), [as.zooD](#), [as.zooM](#), [as.zooY](#)

### Examples

```
lat <- 37.2;
G0dm <- c(2766, 3491, 4494, 5912, 6989, 7742, 7919, 7027, 5369, 3562, 2814, 2179)
Ta <- c(10, 14.1, 15.6, 17.2, 19.3, 21.2, 28.4, 29.9, 24.3, 18.2, 17.2, 15.2)
prom <- list(G0dm=G0dm, Ta=Ta)

prodFixed <- prodGCPV(lat=lat, dataRad=prom, modeRad='aguilar', keep.night=FALSE)

old <- setwd(tempdir())

writeSolar(prodFixed, 'prodFixed.csv')

dir()

zI <- read.zoo("prodFixed.csv",
              header = TRUE, sep = ",",
              FUN = as.POSIXct)

zD<- read.zoo("prodFixed.D.csv",
              header = TRUE, sep = ",")

zD<- read.zoo("prodFixed.D.csv",
              header = TRUE, sep = ",",
              FUN = as.yearmon)

setwd(old)
```

### Description

Methods for function xyplot in Package 'solaR'

**Methods**

- `signature(x = "formula", data = "zoo")`: The zoo object is converted into a data.frame object and additional columns are added (day, month and year, and w with the solar hour in radians). This data.frame is the data argument for a call to `xyplot`, using the S3 method for class `formula`.
- `signature(x = "formula", data = "Meteo")`: The `Meteo` object is converted into a zoo object with `getData(data)`. This zoo is the data argument for a call to `xyplot`, using the S4 method for `signature(x = "formula", data = "zoo")`.
- `signature(x = "formula", data = "Sol")`: The `Sol` object is converted into a zoo object with `as.zooI(data, complete=TRUE, day=TRUE)` (therefore, the zoo includes the whole content of the object). This zoo is the data argument for a call to `xyplot`, using the S4 method for `signature(x = "formula", data = "zoo")`.
- `signature(x = "formula", data = "G0")`: The `G0` object is converted into a zoo object with `as.zooI(data, complete=TRUE, day=TRUE)` (therefore, the zoo includes the whole content of the object). This zoo is the data argument for a call to `xyplot`, using the S4 method for `signature(x = "formula", data = "zoo")`.
- `signature(x = "Meteo", data = "missing")`: The `Meteo` object is converted into a zoo object with `getData(x)` and displayed with the method for zoo.
- `signature(x = "G0", data = "missing")`: The `x` object is converted into a zoo object with `as.zooD(x, complete=FALSE)`. Therefore, the content of the `G0D` slot (a zoo object) is displayed with the method for zoo.
- `signature(x = "ProdGCPV", data = "missing")`: Idem, but the variables are not superposed.
- `signature(x = "ProdPVPS", data = "missing")`: Idem.
- `signature(x = "formula", data = "Shade")`: The `Shade` object is converted into a data.frame and passed as the data argument to the `xyplot` function. Once again, the S3 method for class `formula` is used.

**Author(s)**

Oscar Perpiñán Lamigueiro

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E\_aguiar

*Markov Transition Matrices for the Aguiar et al. procedure*

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**Description**

Markov Transition Matrices and auxiliary data for generating sequences of daily radiation values.

**Usage**

`data(MTM)`

**Format**

MTM is a data . frame with the collection of Markov Transition Matrices defined in the paper "Simple procedure for generating sequences of daily radiation values using a library of Markov transition matrices", Aguiar et al., Solar Energy, 1998. KtLim (matrix) and Ktm (vector) are auxiliary data to choose the correspondent matrix of the collection.

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E_helios	<i>Daily irradiation and ambient temperature from the Helios-IES database</i>
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**Description**

A year of irradiation, maximum and minimum ambient temperature from the HELIOS-IES database.

**Usage**

```
data(helios)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 355 observations on the following 4 variables:

yyyy.mm.dd a factor: year, month and day.

G.0. a numeric vector, daily global horizontal irradiation.

TambMax a numeric vector, maximum ambient temperature.

TambMin a numeric vector, minimum ambient temperature.

**Source**

<http://helios.ies-def.upm.es/consulta.aspx>

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E_prodEx	<i>Productivity of a set of PV systems of a PV plant.</i>
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**Description**

A zoo object with the time evolution of the final productivity of a set of 22 systems of a large PV plant.

**Usage**

```
data(prodEx)
```

**References**

O. Perpiñán, Statistical analysis of the performance and simulation of a two-axis tracking PV system, Solar Energy, 83:11(2074–2085), 2009. [http://oa.upm.es/1843/1/PERPINAN\\_ART2009\\_01.pdf](http://oa.upm.es/1843/1/PERPINAN_ART2009_01.pdf)

E\_pumpCoef

*Coefficients of centrifugal pumps.***Description**

Coefficients of centrifugal pumps

**Usage**

data(pumpCoef)

**Format**

A data frame with 13 columns:

**Qn** rated flux**stages** number of stages**Qmax** maximum flux**Pmn** rated motor power**a, b, c** Coefficients of the equation  $H = a \cdot f^2 + b \cdot f \cdot Q + c \cdot Q^2$ .**g, h, i** Coefficients of the efficiency curve of the motor (50 Hz):  $\eta_m = g \cdot (\%P_{mn})^2 + h \cdot (\%P_{mn}) + i$ .**j, k, l** Coefficients of the efficiency curve of the pump (50 Hz):  $\eta_b = j \cdot Q^2 + k \cdot Q + l$ .**Details**

With this version only pumps from the manufacturer Grundfos are included.

**Source**<http://net.grundfos.com/Api/WebCAPS/custom?>**References**

- Perpiñán, O, Energía Solar Fotovoltaica, 2015. (<http://oscarperpinan.github.io/esf/>)
- Perpiñán, O. (2012), "solaR: Solar Radiation and Photovoltaic Systems with R", Journal of Statistical Software, 50(9), 1-32, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i09/>

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`E_solaR.theme`*solaR theme*

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**Description**

A customized theme for lattice. It is based on the `custom.theme.2` function of the `latticeExtra` package with the next values:

- `pch=19`
- `cex=0.7`
- `region=rev(brewer.pal(9, 'YlOrRd'))`
- `strip.background$col='lightgray'`
- `strip.shingle$col='transparent'`

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`solaR-defunct`*Defunct functions in package 'solaR'*

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**Description**

These functions are no longer available.

**Details**

- `readSIAR`: The SIAR webpage cannot be accessed with a direct URL but using javascript code. Therefore, the function `readSIAR` no longer works. This help page is still here as a reference. The SIAR webpage is now <http://eportal.magrama.gob.es/websiar>.
- `TargetDiagram`, `analyzeData`: Use the `tdr` package

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