

# Package ‘poio’

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fix_metadata	<i>Fix metadata in a PO object</i>
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## Description

Fixes the metadata in a po object, as generated by [read\\_po](#).

## Usage

```
fix_metadata(x, pkg = ".", ..., .dots = list())

## S3 method for class 'po'
fix_metadata(
  x,
  pkg = ".",
  clone = TRUE,
  file_type = x$file_type,
  ...,
  .dots = list()
)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
fix_metadata(x, pkg = ".", file_type, ..., .dots = list())
```

## Arguments

x	An object of class po, or the data frame from the metadata element of such an object.
pkg	A path to the root of an R package source directory, or a package object, as created by <a href="#">as.package</a> .
...	Named arguments of new metadata values.
.dots	A named list of new metadata values.
clone	Logical. If TRUE, the po object is cloned before the metadata is fixed. This has a slight performance cost, but is easier to reason about.
file_type	A string giving the file type; either "po" or "pot".

## Details

Columns are added to ensure that the metadata data frame contains character columns named "name" and "value". Likewise rows are added or updated as follows.

**Project-Id-Version** The package name and version, taken from the "Package" and "Version" fields of the DESCRIPTION file specified in the pkg argument.

**Report-Msgid-Bugs-To** The URL to report bugs to, taken from the "BugReports" field of the DESCRIPTION file specified in the pkg argument.

**POT-Creation-Date** Not auto-updated.

**PO-Revision-Date** The current date and time, in format " and time formatting specifications.

**Last-Translator** Your name and email, creepily autodetected by [whoami](#), where possible.

**Language-Team** Not auto-updated. Invent your own team name!

**MIME-Version** Always changed to "1.0".

**Content-Type** Always changed to "text/plain; charset=UTF-8".

**Content-Transfer-Encoding** Always changed to "8bit".

Additionally PO, but not POT, files have these rows:

**Language** An ISO 639-1 two-letter language code. See [http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code\\_list.php](http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code_list.php)

**Plural-Forms** The plural-form specification for the Language code.

## Value

An object of the same type as the input, but with the metadata fixed.

## Examples

```
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")
pot <- read_po(pot_file)
pot_fixed <- fix_metadata(pot, system.file(package = "poio"))

# Choose your own metadata
pot_fixed2 <- fix_metadata(
  pot,
  system.file(package = "poio"),
  "Last-Translator" = "Dr. Daniel Jackson <djackson@stargate.com>",
  .dots = list(
    "Language-Team" = "Team RL10N!"
  )
)

# Compare the metadata before and after
pot$metadata
pot_fixed$metadata
```

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generate\_po\_from\_pot *Generate a PO object from a POT object*

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## Description

Generates a PO object from a POT object.

## Usage

```
generate_po_from_pot(x, lang, ...)

## S3 method for class 'po'
generate_po_from_pot(x, lang, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	An object of class po, as read by <a href="#">read_po</a> from a POT file.
lang	A language code, possibly with a country code attached. See <a href="#">language_codes</a> for possible values.
...	Currently unused.

## Details

The file\_type element is changed from "pot" to "po", and "Language" and "Plural-Forms" values are added to the metadata element.

## Value

An object of class po, ready to be written to a PO file by [write\\_po](#).

## Note

If the plural form is unknown for the specified language, the plural form is set to NA. See [plural\\_forms](#) for supported languages.

## Examples

```
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")
pot <- read_po(pot_file)
# It's a good idea to fix the metadata before you generate the PO files
pot_fixed <- fix_metadata(pot, system.file(package = "poio"))

# Call generate_po_from_pot for each language that you want to translate to
two_pos <- lapply(
  c(German = "de", Qatari_Arabic = "ar_QA"),
  generate_po_from_pot,
  x = pot_fixed
)
```

```
# Notice the Language and Plural-forms elements in the metadata
two_pos$German$metadata
# Also notice that the countable msgstr elements for Arabic now
# have length 6, since Arabic has 6 plural forms
two_pos$Qatari_Arabic$countable$msgstr
```

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get\_n\_plural\_forms      *Get the number of plural forms from a PO file*

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### Description

Gets the number of plural forms specified in the "Plural-Forms" metadata element of a PO file.

### Usage

```
get_n_plural_forms(x, default = 2L, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	A po object or its metadata element.
default	An integer to return if the number of plural forms cannot be determined.
...	Arguments passed between methods.

### Value

An integer of the number of plural forms for the language defined in the PO file.

### Note

POT files are not language-specific and don't have a "Plural-Forms" metadata element. By convention, they are considered to have 2 plural forms, since that is how many plural forms there are in English.

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language\_codes      *Language codes supported by GNU gettext*

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### Description

This dataset contains the language and country code values that are accepted by GNU gettext. Its primary purpose is to allow checking of the "Language" field of PO translation files.

### Usage

```
data(language_codes)

ALLOWED_LANGUAGE_REGEX
```

**Format**

language\_codes is a list with two character vector elements.

**language** Lowercase two letter ISO 639-1 codes, and some lowercase three letter ISO 639-2 codes representing languages.

**country** Uppercase two letter ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 code representing countries and territories.

An object of class character of length 1.

**Details**

Valid "Language" field values consist of a language code taken from the language element of this dataset, optionally followed by an underscore and a country code taken from the country element of this dataset.

**Note**

The language element of the dataset contains all of ISO 639-1 as well as the value "mo", for "Moldavian", which isn't an official ISO code. It also contains a subset of ISO 639-2, for rare languages where there is no ISO 629-1 code. The country element is identical to ISO 3166-1 alpha-2.

**References**

The dataset was generated from these the contents of these webpages: [https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html\\_node/Usual-Language-Codes.html#Usual-Language-Codes](https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html_node/Usual-Language-Codes.html#Usual-Language-Codes) [https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html\\_node/Rare-Language-Codes.html#Rare-Language-Codes](https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html_node/Rare-Language-Codes.html#Rare-Language-Codes) [https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html\\_node/Country-Codes.html#Country-Codes](https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html_node/Country-Codes.html#Country-Codes)

**Examples**

```
# The dataset contains:
e <- new.env()
utils::data(language_codes, package = "poio", envir = e)
e$language_codes

# Allowed values in the language field can be matched like this
# (though it will be automatically done in generate_po_from_pot)
stringi::stri_detect_regex(c("it", "nl_BE", "xxx"), ALLOWED_LANGUAGE_REGEX)
```

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plural\_forms

*Plural Forms Data*

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**Description**

This dataset contains the known values for the "Plural-Forms" metadata elements in a PO file.

**Usage**

```
data(plural_forms)
```

**Format**

`plural_forms` is a data frame with 3 character columns and 1 numeric column and 142 rows:

**ISO** The ISO 639 specification of the language. Usually this is the two letter ISO 639-1 name, but some three letter ISO 639-2 names are also included, for cases where no two letter name exists.

**EnglishName** How the language is known in English.

**PluralFormHeader** The GNU gettext specification of how plural forms are specified in the language.

**nplurals** A numeric value specifying the number of plural forms.

**References**

This dataset was originally taken from <http://localization-guide.readthedocs.org/en/latest/l10n/pluralforms.html>

ISO 639-1 (a.k.a. ISO 629-2 alpha-2) and ISO 639-2 language codes can be found in the [ISO\\_639\\_2](http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code_list.php) help page, or online at [http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code\\_list.php](http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code_list.php)

**Examples**

```
e <- new.env()
data(plural_forms, package = "poio", envir = e)
e$plural_forms
```

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po *Create an object of class po*

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**Description**

Creates an object of class `po`, for storing package translations.

**Usage**

```
po(source_type, file_type, initial_comments, metadata, direct, countable)
```

**Arguments**

<code>source_type</code>	Either "r" or "c", depending upon whether the messages originated from R-level code, or C-level code.
<code>file_type</code>	Either "po" or "pot", depending upon whether the messages originated from a PO (language-specific) or POT (master translation) file.

<code>initial_comments</code>	A character vector of comments added by the translator.
<code>metadata</code>	A <code>tibble</code> of file metadata with columns "name" and "value".
<code>direct</code>	A <code>tibble</code> of messages with a direct translation, as created by <code>stop</code> , <code>warning</code> , <code>message</code> or <code>gettext</code> ; its columns are described below.
<code>countable</code>	A data frame of messages where the translation depends upon a countable value, as created by <code>ngettext</code> ; its columns are described below.

### Value

An R6 object of class `po`.

### Note

#' The `direct` element of the `po` object has the following columns.

**msgid** Character. The untranslated (should be American English) message.

**msgstr** Character. The translated message, or empty strings in the case of POT files.

**is\_obsolete** Logical. Is the message obsolete?

**msgctxt** List of character. Disambiguating context information to allow multiple messages with the same ID.

**translator\_comments** List of character. Comments added by the translator, typically to explain unclear messages, or why translation choices were made.

**source\_reference\_comments** List of character. Links to where the message occurred in the source, in the form "filename:line".

**flags\_comments** List of character. Typically used to describe formatting directives. R uses C-style formatting, which would imply a "c-format" flag. For example string. "fuzzy" flags can appear when PO files are merged.

**previous\_string\_comments** List of character. When PO files are merged with an updated POT file, and a fuzzy flag is generated, the old `msgid` is stored in a previous string comment.

The `countable` element of the `po` object takes the same form as the `direct` element, with two differences.

**msgid\_plural** Character. The plural form of the untranslated message.

**msgstr** This is now a list of character (rather than character.)

The `direct` and `countable` elements also have a read-only column named `msgkey` that acts as a key for the message. It is generated with `digest` and `algo = "xxhash32"` on the `msgid` and `msgctxt` fields.

### References

Much of the logic for this function was determined from reading [http://pology.nedohodnik.net/doc/user/en\\_US/ch-poformat.html](http://pology.nedohodnik.net/doc/user/en_US/ch-poformat.html)



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poio	<i>Input/Output Functionality for “PO” and “POT” Message Translation Files</i>
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**Description**

Read and write PO and POT files, for package translations.

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**References**

[GNU gettext Manual](#)

**See Also**

[read\\_po](#), [write\\_po](#)

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print.po	<i>Print a PO object</i>
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**Description**

[print](#) method for PO objects.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'po'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class po.
...	Arguments passed to <a href="#">print.tbl_df</a> .

**Value**

The x argument is invisibly returned, but the function is mostly invoked for the side-effect of printing the x argument.

**See Also**

[summary.po](#)

## Examples

```
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")
print(pot <- read_po(pot_file))

# Use width = Inf to print all columns in metadata, direct, and countable
print(pot, width = Inf)
```

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read_po	<i>Read PO and POT files</i>
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## Description

Reads .PO and .POT translation files.

## Usage

```
read_po(po_file)
```

## Arguments

po\_file            A string giving a path to a PO file.

## Value

An object of class `po`. The `source_type` and `file_type` elements are automatically determined from the file name.

## See Also

[xgettext](#)

## Examples

```
# read_po is used for both po and pot files
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")
(pot <- read_po(pot_file))
```

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summary.po	<i>Summarize a PO object</i>
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**Description**

[summary](#) method for PO objects. `summary` shows less information than `print`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'po'  
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>po</code> .
<code>...</code>	Arguments passed to <a href="#">print.data.frame</a> .

**Value**

The object argument is invisibly returned, but the function is mostly invoked for the side-effect of printing the object argument.

**See Also**

[print.po](#)

**Examples**

```
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")  
summary(pot <- read_po(pot_file))
```

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write_po	<i>Write a PO file</i>
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**Description**

Writes an object of class `po` to a `.po` file.

**Usage**

```
write_po(po, po_file = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>po</code>	An object of class <code>po</code> .
<code>po_file</code>	A path to the <code>po_file</code> to be written, or <code>NULL</code> to automatically generate the path.
<code>...</code>	Passed between methods. Not currently used.

**Value**

The function is mostly invoked for the side-effect of writing a PO file. The `po` argument is also invisibly returned, for convenience when this function is used in a pipe chain.

**Examples**

```
pot_file <- system.file("extdata/R-summerof69.pot", package = "poio")
pot <- read_po(pot_file)
write_po(pot, stdout())
```

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