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block	<i>Polygonal layer of a building block in Boston</i>
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Description

A SpatialPolygons object representing the boundaries of a building block in Central Boston.

Usage

```
block
```

Format

A SpatialPolygons with a single feature.

build	<i>Polygonal layer of three buildings in Boston</i>
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Description

A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object representing the outlines of three buildings located in Central Boston. The attribute height_m contains building height, in meters.

Usage

```
build
```

Format

A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame with 10 features and 4 attributes:

objectid Building Part ID

build_id Building ID

part_floor Number of floors for Part

height_m Building height, in meters

classifyAz	<i>Classify azimuth of line segments</i>
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Description

Classify azimuth of line segments

Usage

```
classifyAz(sl)
```

Arguments

sl A SpatialLines* object

Value

A numeric vector with the segment azimuth values (in decimal degrees)

Examples

```

data(rishon)
build_seg = toSeg(rishon[, ])
az = classifyAz(build_seg)
plot(build_seg, col = rainbow(4)[cut(az, c(0, 90, 180, 270, 360))])
raster::text(
  rgeos::gCentroid(build_seg, byid = TRUE),
  round(az)
)

```

coefDirect

Coefficient of Direct Normal Irradiance reduction

Description

This function calculates the coefficient of reduction in Direct Normal Irradiance load due to angle of incidence. For example, a coefficient of 1 is obtained when the sun is perpendicular to the surface.

Usage

```
coefDirect(type, facade_az, solar_pos)
```

Arguments

type	character, specifying surface type. All values must be either "roof" or "facade"
facade_az	Facade azimuth, in decimal degrees from North. Only relevant for type="facade"
solar_pos	A matrix with two columns representing sun position(s); first column is the solar azimuth (in decimal degrees from North), second column is sun elevation (in decimal degrees); rows represent different positions (e.g. at different times of day)

Value

Numeric vector of coefficients, to be multiplied by the direct beam radiation values. The vector length is the same as the length of the longest input (see **Note** below)

Note

All four arguments are recycled to match each other's length. For example, you may specify a single type value of "roof" or "facade" and a single facade_az value, but multiple sun_az and sun_elev values, for calculating the coefficients for a single location given different positions of the sun, etc.

Examples

```

# Basic usage
coefDirect(type = "facade", facade_az = 180, solar_pos = matrix(c(210, 30), ncol = 2))

# Demonstration - Direct beam radiation coefficient on 'facades'
sun_az = seq(270, 90, by = -5)
sun_elev = seq(0, 90, by = 5)
solar_pos = expand.grid(sun_az = sun_az, sun_elev = sun_elev)
solar_pos$coef = coefDirect(type = "facade", facade_az = 180, solar_pos = as.matrix(solar_pos))[1, ]
coef = reshape2::acast(solar_pos, sun_az ~ sun_elev, value.var = "coef")
image(
  180 - sun_az, sun_elev, coef,
  col = rev(heat.colors(10)),
  breaks = seq(0, 1, 0.1),
  asp = 1,
  xlab = "Facade azimuth - Sun azimuth (deg)",
  ylab = "Sun elevation (deg)",
  main = "Facade - Coefficient of Direct Normal Irradiance"
)
contour(180 - sun_az, sun_elev, coef, add = TRUE)

# Demonstration - Direct beam radiation coefficient on 'roofs'
solar_pos$coef = coefDirect(type = "roof", facade_az = 180, solar_pos = as.matrix(solar_pos))[1, ]
coef = reshape2::acast(solar_pos, sun_az ~ sun_elev, value.var = "coef")
image(
  180 - sun_az, sun_elev, coef,
  col = rev(heat.colors(10)),
  breaks = seq(0, 1, 0.1),
  asp = 1,
  xlab = "Facade azimuth - Sun azimuth (deg)",
  ylab = "Sun elevation (deg)",
  main = "Roof - Coefficient of Direct Normal Irradiance"
)
contour(180 - sun_az, sun_elev, coef, add = TRUE)

```

deg2rad

*Degrees to radians***Description**

Degrees to radians

Usage

deg2rad(deg)

Arguments

deg Angle in degrees

Value

numeric Angle in radians

Examples

```
deg2rad(360) == 2*pi
```

inShadow	<i>Logical shadow calculation (is given point shaded?) for 3D points considering sun position and obstacles</i>
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Description

This function determines whether each given point in a set of 3D points (location), is shaded or not taking into account:

- Obstacles outline (obstacles), given by a polygonal layer with a height attribute (obstacles_height_field)
- Sun position (solar_pos), given by azimuth and elevation angles

Alternatively, the function determines whether each point is in shadow based on a raster representing shadow height shadowHeightRaster, in which case obstacles, obstacles_height_field and solar_pos are left unspecified.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPoints,Raster,missing,missing,missing'
inShadow(location,
  shadowHeightRaster, obstacles, obstacles_height_field, solar_pos)
```

```
## S4 method for signature
## 'SpatialPoints,missing,SpatialPolygonsDataFrame,character,matrix'
inShadow(location,
  shadowHeightRaster, obstacles, obstacles_height_field, solar_pos, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature
## 'Raster,missing,SpatialPolygonsDataFrame,character,matrix'
inShadow(location,
  shadowHeightRaster, obstacles, obstacles_height_field, solar_pos, ...)
```

Arguments

location	A SpatialPoints* or Raster* object, specifying the location(s) for which to calculate shadow height
shadowHeightRaster	Raster representing shadow height

obstacles	A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object specifying the obstacles outline
obstacles_height_field	Name of attribute in obstacles with extrusion height for each feature
solar_pos	A matrix with two columns representing sun position(s); first column is the solar azimuth (in degrees from North), second column is sun elevation (in degrees); rows represent different positions (e.g. at different times of day)
...	Other parameters passed to <code>shadowHeight</code>

Value

Returned object is either a logical matrix or a Raster* with logical values -

- If input location is a SpatialPoints*, then returned object is a matrix where rows represent spatial locations (location features), columns represent solar positions (solar_pos rows) and values represent shadow state
- If input location is a Raster*, then returned object is a RasterLayer or RasterStack, where raster layers represent solar positions (solar_pos rows) and pixel values represent shadow state

In both cases the logical values express shadow state -

- TRUE means the location is in shadow
- FALSE means the location is not in shadow
- NA means the location 3D-intersects an obstacle

Note

For a correct geometric calculation, make sure that:

- The layers location and obstacles are projected and in same CRS
- The values in obstacles_height_field of obstacles are given in the same distance units as the CRS (e.g. meters when using UTM)

Examples

```
# Method for 3D points - Manually defined

opar = par(mfrow = c(1, 3))

# Ground level
location = sp::spsample(
  rgeos::gBuffer(rgeos::gEnvelope(rishon), width = 40),
  n = 200,
  type = "regular"
)
solar_pos = as.matrix(tmy[9, c("sun_az", "sun_elev")])
s = inShadow(
  location = location,
  obstacles = rishon,
```

```

    obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
    solar_pos = solar_pos
)
plot(location, col = ifelse(s[, 1], "grey", "yellow"), main = "h=0")
plot(rishon, add = TRUE)

# 15 meters above ground level
coords = coordinates(location)
coords = cbind(coords, z = 15)
location1 = SpatialPoints(coords, proj4string = CRS(proj4string(location)))
solar_pos = as.matrix(tmy[9, c("sun_az", "sun_elev")])
s = inShadow(
  location = location1,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos
)
plot(location, col = ifelse(s[, 1], "grey", "yellow"), main = "h=15")
plot(rishon, add = TRUE)

# 30 meters above ground level
coords = coordinates(location)
coords = cbind(coords, z = 30)
location2 = SpatialPoints(coords, proj4string = CRS(proj4string(location)))
solar_pos = as.matrix(tmy[9, c("sun_az", "sun_elev")])
s = inShadow(
  location = location2,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos
)
plot(location, col = ifelse(s[, 1], "grey", "yellow"), main = "h=30")
plot(rishon, add = TRUE)

par(opar)

# Shadow on a grid covering obstacles surface
## Not run:

# Method for 3D points - Covering building surface

obstacles = rishon[c(2, 4), ]
location = surfaceGrid(
  obstacles = obstacles,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  res = 2,
  offset = 0.01
)
solar_pos = tmy[c(9, 16), c("sun_az", "sun_elev")]
solar_pos = as.matrix(solar_pos)
s = inShadow(
  location = location,
  obstacles = obstacles,

```



```

    obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
    solar_pos = solar_pos
  )
  location$shadow = s[, 1]
  plotGrid(location, color = c("yellow", "grey")[as.factor(location$shadow)], size = 0.5)
  location$shadow = s[, 2]
  plotGrid(location, color = c("yellow", "grey")[as.factor(location$shadow)], size = 0.5)

# Method for ground locations raster

ext = as(raster::extent(rishon) + 20, "SpatialPolygons")
location = raster::raster(ext, res = 2)
proj4string(location) = proj4string(rishon)
obstacles = rishon[c(2, 4), ]
solar_pos = tmy[c(9, 16), c("sun_az", "sun_elev")]
solar_pos = as.matrix(solar_pos)
s = inShadow(
  location = location,
  obstacles = obstacles,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos
)
plot(s)

# Method for pre-calculated shadow height raster

ext = as(raster::extent(rishon), "SpatialPolygons")
r = raster::raster(ext, res = 1)
proj4string(r) = proj4string(rishon)
r[] = rep(seq(30, 0, length.out = ncol(r)), times = nrow(r))
location = surfaceGrid(
  obstacles = rishon[c(2, 4), ],
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  res = 2,
  offset = 0.01
)
s = inShadow(
  location = location,
  shadowHeightRaster = r
)
location$shadow = s[, 1]
r_pnt = raster::as.data.frame(r, xy = TRUE)
coordinates(r_pnt) = names(r_pnt)
proj4string(r_pnt) = proj4string(r)
r_pnt = SpatialPointsDataFrame(
  r_pnt,
  data.frame(
    shadow = rep(TRUE, length(r_pnt)),
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  )
)
pnt = rbind(location[, "shadow"], r_pnt)

```

```
plotGrid(pnt, color = c("yellow", "grey")[as.factor(pnt$shadow)], size = 0.5)
## End(Not run)
```

park

Polygonal layer of a park in Boston

Description

A SpatialPolygons object representing the boundaries of a park in Central Boston.

Usage

```
park
```

Format

A SpatialPolygons with a single feature.

plotGrid

Interactive plot for 3D spatial points

Description

This is a wrapper around scatterplot3js from package threejs. The function adjusts the x, y and z axes so that 1:1:1 proportion are kept and z=0 corresponds to ground level.

Usage

```
plotGrid(grid, color = c("grey", "red")[as.factor(grid$type)], size = 0.2,
...)
```

Arguments

grid	A three-dimensional SpatialPoints* object
color	Point color, either a single value or vector corresponding to the number of points. The default values draws "facade" and "roof" points in different colors, assuming these classes appear in a column named type, as returned by function surfaceGrid
size	Point radius, default is 0.1
...	Additional parameters passed to scatterplot3js

Value

An htmlwidget object that is displayed using the object's show or print method. If you don't see your widget plot, try printing it with the print function. (Same as for `threejs::scatterplot3js`)

Examples

```
## Not run:
grid = surfaceGrid(
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  res = 1,
  offset = 0.01
)
plotGrid(grid)

## End(Not run)
```

rad2deg

Radians to degrees

Description

Radians to degrees

Usage

```
rad2deg(rad)
```

Arguments

rad Angle in radians

Value

numeric Angle in degrees

Examples

```
rad2deg(2*pi) == 360
```

radiation	<i>Estimation of Direct and Diffuse Radiation Load on Extruded Polygon Surfaces</i>
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Description

This is a wrapper function for calculating total diffuse, direct and total radiation load per unit area on extruded polygon surfaces. The function operates on obstacle geometry and a set of sun positions with associated meteorological estimates for direct and diffuse radiation (see Details below).

Usage

```
radiation(grid, obstacles, obstacles_height_field, solar_pos, solar_normal,
          solar_diffuse, parallel = getOption("mc.cores"))
```

Arguments

grid	A 3D SpatialPointsDataFrame layer, such as returned by function surfaceGrid , specifying the locations where radiation is to be estimated. The layer must include an attribute named type, with possible values being "roof" or "facade", expressing surface orientation per 3D point. The layer must also include an attribute named facade_az, specifying facade azimuth (only for "facade" points, for "roof" points the value should be NA). The type and facade_az attributes are automatically created when creating the grid with the surfaceGrid function
obstacles	A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object specifying the obstacles outline, inducing self- and mutual-shading on the grid points
obstacles_height_field	Name of attribute in obstacles with extrusion height for each feature
solar_pos	A matrix with two columns representing sun position(s); first column is the solar azimuth (in decimal degrees from North), second column is sun elevation (in decimal degrees); rows represent different sun positions corresponding to the solar_normal and the solar_diffuse estimates. For example, if solar_normal and solar_diffuse refer to hourly measurements in a Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) dataset, then solar_pos needs to contain the corresponding hourly sun positions. In the latter case the returned value will represent total annual radiation load (see example below)
solar_normal	Direct Normal Irradiance (e.g. in Wh/m ²), at sun positions corresponding to solar_pos
solar_diffuse	Diffuse Horizontal Irradiance (e.g. in Wh/m ²), at sun positions corresponding to solar_pos
parallel	Number of parallel processes or a predefined socket cluster. With parallel=1 uses ordinary, non-parallel processing. Parallel processing is done with the parallel package

Details

Input arguments for this function comprise the following:

- An extruded polygon obstacles layer (`obstacles` and `obstacles_height_field`) inducing shading on the queried grid
- A grid of 3D points (`grid`) where radiation is to be estimated. May be created from the 'obstacles' layer, or a subset of it, using function `surfaceGrid`. For instance, in the code example (see below) radiation is estimated on a grid covering just one of four buildings in the rishon layer (the first building), but all four buildings are taken into account for evaluating self- and mutual-shading by the buildings.
- Solar positions matrix (`solar_pos`)
- Direct and diffuse radiation meteorological estimate vectors (`solar_normal` and `solar_diffuse`)

Given these inputs, the function goes through the following steps:

- Determining whether each grid point is shaded, at each solar position, using `inShadow`
- Calculating the coefficient of Direct Normal Irradiance reduction, using `coefDirect`
- Summing direct radiation considering (1) mutual shading, (2) direct radiation coefficient and (3) direct radiation estimates
- Calculating the Sky View Factor (SVF) for each point, using `SVF`
- Summing diffuse radiation load considering (1) SVF and (2) diffuse radiation estimates
- Summing total (direct + diffuse) radiation load

Value

a `data.frame`, with rows corresponding to grid points and four columns corresponding to the following estimates:

- `svf` Computed Sky View Factor (see function `SVF`)
- `direct` Total direct radiation for each grid point
- `diffuse` Total diffuse radiation for each grid point
- `total` Total radiation (direct + diffuse) for each grid point

Examples

```
# Create surface grid
grid = surfaceGrid(
  obstacles = rishon[1, ],
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  res = 2
)

solar_pos = tmy[, c("sun_az", "sun_elev")]
solar_pos = as.matrix(solar_pos)

# Summed 10-hour radiation estimates for single point
```

```

rad = radiation(
  grid = grid[1, ],
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos[8:17, , drop = FALSE],
  solar_normal = tmy$solar_normal[8:17],
  solar_diffuse = tmy$solar_diffuse[8:17]
)
rad

## Not run:

### Warning! The calculation below takes some time.

# Annual radiation estimates for entire surface of one building
rad = radiation(
  grid = grid,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos,
  solar_normal = tmy$solar_normal,
  solar_diffuse = tmy$solar_diffuse,
  parallel = 3
)

# 3D plot of the results
library(plot3D)
opar = par(mfrow=c(1, 3))

scatter3D(
  x = coordinates(grid)[, 1],
  y = coordinates(grid)[, 2],
  z = coordinates(grid)[, 3],
  colvar = rad$direct / 1000,
  scale = FALSE,
  pch = 20,
  cex = 1,
  clab = "Rad\n(kWh m^-2 yr^-1)",
  main = "Direct"
)

scatter3D(
  x = coordinates(grid)[, 1],
  y = coordinates(grid)[, 2],
  z = coordinates(grid)[, 3],
  colvar = rad$diffuse / 1000,
  scale = FALSE,
  pch = 20,
  cex = 1,
  clab = "Rad\n(kWh m^-2 yr^-1)",
  main = "Diffuse"
)

```

```

scatter3D(
  x = coordinates(grid)[, 1],
  y = coordinates(grid)[, 2],
  z = coordinates(grid)[, 3],
  colvar = rad$total / 1000,
  scale = FALSE,
  pch = 20,
  cex = 1,
  clab = "Rad\\n(kWh m^-2 yr^-1)",
  main = "Total"
)

par(opar)

## End(Not run)

```

ray *Line between two points*

Description

The function connects two points into a line segment.

Usage

```
ray(from, to)
```

Arguments

from A `SpatialPoints*` object specifying origin.
to A `SpatialPoints*` object specifying destination.

Value

A `SpatialLines` object.

Examples

```

ctr = rgeos::gCentroid(build)
angles = seq(0, 359, 20)
sun = mapply(
  shadow:::sunLocation,
  sun_az = angles,
  MoreArgs = list(
    location = ctr,
    sun_elev = 10)
)
rays = mapply(ray, MoreArgs = list(from = ctr), to = sun)
rays$makeUniqueIDs = TRUE

```

```

rays = do.call(rbind, rays)
plot(rays)
sun = do.call(rbind, sun)
text(sun, as.character(angles))

```

rishon

Polygonal layer of four buildings in Rishon

Description

A `SpatialPolygonsDataFrame` object representing the outlines of four buildings located in Rishon-Le-Zion. The attribute `BLDG_HT` contains building height, in meters.

Usage

```
rishon
```

Format

A `SpatialPolygonsDataFrame` with 4 features and 2 attributes:

build_id Building ID

BLDG_HT Building height, in meters

shadow

shadow: R Package for Geometric Shade Calculations

Description

Main functions for calculating:

- `shadowHeight`, Shadow height at individual points or continuous surface
- `shadowFootprint`, Polygonal layer of shadow footprints on the ground
- `SVF`, Sky View Factor (SVF) value at individual points or continuous surface

Typical inputs for these functions include:

- `location`, Queried location(s)
- `obstacles`, A polygonal layer of obstacles (e.g. buildings) outline, with height attributes `obstacles_height_field`
- `solar_pos`, Solar position (i.e. sun azimuth and elevation angles)

The package also provides functions for related preliminary calculations, such as:

- `toSeg`, Converting polygons to line segments
- `classifyAz`, Finding segment azimuth
- `shiftAz`, Shifting segments by azimuth and distance
- `ray`, Constructing a line between two points

shadowFootprint	<i>Shadow footprint on the ground</i>
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Description

Creates a polygonal layer of shadow footprints on the ground, taking into account:

- Obstacles outline (`obstacles`), given by a polygonal layer with a height attribute (`obstacles_height_field`)
- Sun position (`solar_pos`), given by azimuth and elevation angles

The calculation method was inspired by Morel Weisthal's MSc thesis at the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPolygonsDataFrame'  
shadowFootprint(obstacles,  
                obstacles_height_field, solar_pos, b = 0.01)
```

Arguments

<code>obstacles</code>	A <code>SpatialPolygonsDataFrame</code> object specifying the obstacles outline
<code>obstacles_height_field</code>	Name of attribute in <code>obstacles</code> with extrusion height for each feature
<code>solar_pos</code>	A matrix with one row and two columns; first column is the solar azimuth (in decimal degrees from North), second column is sun elevation (in decimal degrees)
<code>b</code>	Buffer size for shadow footprints of individual segments of a given polygon; used to eliminate minor internal holes in the resulting shadow polygon.

Value

A `SpatialPolygonsDataFrame` object representing shadow footprint, plus buildings outline. Object length is the same as that of the input `obstacles`, with an individual footprint feature for each obstacle.

References

Weisthal, M. (2014). Assessment of potential energy savings in Israel through climate-aware residential building design (MSc Thesis, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev). <http://aranne5.bgu.ac.il/others/WeisthalMorel.pdf>

Examples

```

data(rishon)
location = rgeos::gCentroid(rishon)
time = as.POSIXct("2004-12-24 13:30:00", tz = "Asia/Jerusalem")
solar_pos = maptools::solarpos(
  matrix(c(34.7767978098526, 31.9665936050395), ncol = 2),
  time
)
footprint =
  shadowFootprint(
    obstacles = rishon,
    obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
    solar_pos = solar_pos
  )
plot(footprint, col = adjustcolor("lightgrey", alpha.f = 0.5))
plot(rishon, add = TRUE, col = "darkgrey")

```

shadowHeight

Shadow height calculation considering sun position and obstacles

Description

This function calculates shadow height at given points or complete grid (location), taking into account:

- Obstacles outline (obstacles), given by a polygonal layer with a height attribute (obstacles_height_field)
- Sun position (solar_pos), given by azimuth and elevation angles

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPoints'
shadowHeight(location, obstacles,
  obstacles_height_field, solar_pos, b = 0.01,
  parallel = getOption("mc.cores"), filter_footprint = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'Raster'
shadowHeight(location, obstacles, obstacles_height_field,
  solar_pos, b = 0.01, parallel = getOption("mc.cores"),
  filter_footprint = FALSE)

```

Arguments

location	A SpatialPoints* or Raster* object, specifying the location(s) for which to calculate shadow height
obstacles	A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object specifying the obstacles outline
obstacles_height_field	Name of attribute in obstacles with extrusion height for each feature

solar_pos	A matrix with two columns representing sun position(s); first column is the solar azimuth (in decimal degrees from North), second column is sun elevation (in decimal degrees); rows represent different positions (e.g. at different times of day)
b	Buffer size when joining intersection points with building outlines, to determine intersection height
parallel	Number of parallel processes or a predefined socket cluster. With parallel=1 uses ordinary, non-parallel processing. Parallel processing is done with the parallel package
filter_footprint	Should the points be filtered using shadowFootprint before calculating shadow height? This can make the calculation faster when there are many point which are not shaded

Value

Returned object is either a numeric matrix or a Raster* -

- If input location is a SpatialPoints*, then returned object is a matrix, where rows represent spatial locations (location features), columns represent solar positions (solar_pos rows) and values represent shadow height
- If input location is a Raster*, then returned object is a RasterLayer or RasterStack where layers represent solar positions (solar_pos rows) and pixel values represent shadow height

In both cases the numeric values express shadow height -

- NA value means no shadow
- A **valid number** expresses shadow height, in CRS units (e.g. meters)
- Inf means complete shadow (i.e. sun below horizon)

Note

For a correct geometric calculation, make sure that:

- The layers location and obstacles are projected and in same CRS
- The values in obstacles_height_field of obstacles are given in the same distance units as the CRS (e.g. meters when using UTM)

Examples

```
# Single location
location = rgeos::gCentroid(rishon)

## Not run:
location_geo = spTransform(location, "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84")

## End(Not run)
location_geo = matrix(c(34.7767978098526, 31.9665936050395), ncol = 2)
time = as.POSIXct("2004-12-24 13:30:00", tz = "Asia/Jerusalem")
```

```

solar_pos = maptools::solarpos(location_geo, time)
plot(rishon, main = time)
plot(location, add = TRUE)
sun = shadow::sunLocation(location = location, sun_az = solar_pos[1,1], sun_elev = solar_pos[1,2])
sun_ray = ray(from = location, to = sun)
rishon_outline = as(rishon, "SpatialLinesDataFrame")
inter = rgeos::gIntersection(rishon_outline, sun_ray)
plot(sun_ray, add = TRUE, col = "yellow")
plot(inter, add = TRUE, col = "red")
shadowHeight(
  location = location,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos
)

## Not run:
# Two locations and three times
location0 = rgeos::gCentroid(rishon)
location1 = raster::shift(location0, 0, -15)
location2 = raster::shift(location0, -10, 20)
locations = rbind(location1, location2)
times = seq(from = time, by = "1 hour", length.out = 3)
solar_pos = maptools::solarpos(location_geo, times)
shadowHeight(
  location = locations,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos
)

# Grid
ext = as(raster::extent(rishon), "SpatialPolygons")
r = raster::raster(ext, res = 1)
proj4string(r) = proj4string(rishon)
x = Sys.time()
shadow = shadowHeight(
  location = r,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  solar_pos = solar_pos,
  parallel = 3
)
y = Sys.time()
y - x
plot(shadow[[1]], col = grey(seq(0.9, 0.2, -0.01)), main = time)
raster::contour(shadow[[1]], add = TRUE)
plot(rishon, add = TRUE, border = "red")

## End(Not run)

```

shiftAz	<i>Shift features by azimuth and distance</i>
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Description

Shift features by azimuth and distance

Usage

```
shiftAz(object, az, dist)
```

Arguments

object	The object to be shifted.
az	Shift azimuth, in decimal degrees.
dist	Shift distance, in object projection units.

Value

The shifted object.

Examples

```
data(rishon)
s = c(270, 90, 180, 0)
rishon_shifted = shiftAz(rishon, az = s, dist = 2.5)
plot(rishon)
plot(rishon_shifted, add = TRUE, border = "red")
raster::text(rgeos::gCentroid(rishon, byid = TRUE), s)
```

sidewalk	<i>Polygonal layer of sidewalks in Boston</i>
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Description

A SpatialLinesDataFrame object representing sidewalks in Central Boston.

Usage

```
sidewalk
```

Format

A SpatialLinesDataFrame with 78 features.

surfaceGrid	<i>Create grid of 3D points covering the 'facades' and 'roofs' of obstacles</i>
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Description

The function creates a grid of 3D points covering the given obstacles at specified resolution. Such a grid can later on be used to quantify the shaded / non-shaded proportion of the obstacles surface area.

Usage

```
surfaceGrid(obstacles, obstacles_height_field, res, offset = 0.01)
```

Arguments

obstacles	A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object specifying the obstacles outline
obstacles_height_field	Name of attribute in obstacles with extrusion height for each feature
res	Required grid resolution, in CRS units
offset	Offset between grid points and facade (horizontal distance) or between grid points and roof (vertical distance).

Value

A 3D SpatialPointsDataFrame layer, including all attributes of the original obstacles each surface point corresponds to, followed by six new attributes:

- obs_id Unique consecutive ID for each feature in obstacles
- type Either "facade" or "roof"
- seg_id Unique consecutive ID for each facade segment (only for 'facade' points)
- xy_id Unique consecutive ID for each ground location (only for 'facade' points)
- facade_az The azimuth of the corresponding facade, in decimal degrees (only for 'facade' points)

Note

The reason for introducing an offset is to avoid ambiguity as for whether the grid points are "inside" or "outside" of the obstacle. With an offset all grid points are "outside" of the building and thus not intersecting it. offset should be given in CRS units; default is 0.01.

See Also

Function [plotGrid](#) to visualize grid.

Examples

```
grid = surfaceGrid(
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  res = 2,
  offset = 0.01
)
```

SVF

Sky View Factor (SVF) calculation

Description

Calculates the Sky View Factor (SVF) at given points or complete grid (`location`), taking into account obstacles outline (`obstacles`) given by a polygonal layer with a height attribute (`obstacles_height_field`).

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPoints'
SVF(location, obstacles, obstacles_height_field,
     res_angle = 5, b = 0.01, parallel = getOption("mc.cores"))

## S4 method for signature 'Raster'
SVF(location, obstacles, obstacles_height_field,
     res_angle = 5, b = 0.01, parallel = getOption("mc.cores"))
```

Arguments

<code>location</code>	A <code>SpatialPoints*</code> or <code>Raster*</code> object, specifying the location(s) for which to calculate SVF. If <code>location</code> is <code>SpatialPoints*</code> , then it can have 2 or 3 dimensions. In the latter case the 3rd dimension is assumed to be elevation above ground (in CRS units). If <code>location</code> is <code>RasterLayer</code> then SVF is calculated for ground locations represented by cell centers (raster values are ignored).
<code>obstacles</code>	A <code>SpatialPolygonsDataFrame</code> object specifying the obstacles outline
<code>obstacles_height_field</code>	Name of attribute in <code>obstacles</code> with extrusion height for each feature
<code>res_angle</code>	Circular sampling resolution, in decimal degrees. Default is 5 degrees, i.e. 0, 5, 10... 355.
<code>b</code>	Buffer size when joining intersection points with building outlines, to determine intersection height
<code>parallel</code>	Number of parallel processes or a predefined socket cluster. With <code>parallel=1</code> uses ordinary, non-parallel processing. Parallel processing is done with the <code>parallel</code> package

Value

A numeric value between 0 (sky completely obstructed) and 1 (sky completely visible).

- If input location is a `SpatialPoints*`, then returned object is a vector where each element representing the SVF for each point in location
- If input location is a `Raster*`, then returned object is a `RasterLayer` where cell values express SVF for each ground location

Note

SVF calculation for each view direction follows the following equation -

$$1 - (\sin(\beta))^2$$

Where β is the highest elevation angle (see equation 3 in Gal & Unger 2014).

References

Erell, E., Pearlmutter, D., & Williamson, T. (2012). Urban microclimate: designing the spaces between buildings. Routledge.

Gal, T., & Unger, J. (2014). A new software tool for SVF calculations using building and tree-crown databases. *Urban Climate*, 10, 594-606.

Examples

```
## Individual locations
data(rishon)
location0 = rgeos::gCentroid(rishon)
location1 = raster::shift(location0, 0, -15)
location2 = raster::shift(location0, -10, 20)
locations = rbind(location1, location2)
svfs = SVF(
  location = locations,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT"
)
plot(rishon)
plot(locations, add = TRUE)
raster::text(locations, round(svfs, 2), col = "red", pos = 3)

## Not run:

## Grid
ext = as(raster::extent(rishon), "SpatialPolygons")
r = raster::raster(ext, res = 5)
proj4string(r) = proj4string(rishon)
pnt = raster::rasterToPoints(r, spatial = TRUE)
svfs = SVF(
  location = r,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
```



```

    parallel = 3
  )
plot(svfs, col = grey(seq(0.9, 0.2, -0.01)))
raster::contour(svfs, add = TRUE)
plot(rishon, add = TRUE, border = "red")

## 3D points
ctr = rgeos::gCentroid(rishon)
heights = seq(0, 28, 1)
loc3d = data.frame(
  x = coordinates(ctr)[, 1],
  y = coordinates(ctr)[, 2],
  z = heights
)
coordinates(loc3d) = ~ x + y + z
proj4string(loc3d) = proj4string(rishon)
svfs = SVF(
  location = loc3d,
  obstacles = rishon,
  obstacles_height_field = "BLDG_HT",
  parallel = 3
)
plot(heights, svfs, type = "b", xlab = "Elevation (m)", ylab = "SVF", ylim = c(0, 1))
abline(v = rishon$BLDG_HT, col = "red")

## Example from Erell et al. 2012 (p. 19 Fig. 1.2)

# Geometry
pol1 = rgeos::readWKT("POLYGON ((0 100, 1 100, 1 0, 0 0, 0 100))")
pol2 = rgeos::readWKT("POLYGON ((2 100, 3 100, 3 0, 2 0, 2 100))")
pol = sp::rbind.SpatialPolygons(pol1, pol2, makeUniqueIDs = TRUE)
pol = sp::SpatialPolygonsDataFrame(pol, data.frame(h = c(1, 1)), match.ID = FALSE)
pnt = rgeos::readWKT("POINT (1.5 50)")
plot(pol, col = "grey", xlim = c(0, 3), ylim = c(45, 55))
plot(pnt, add = TRUE, col = "red")

# Fig. 1.2 reproduction
h = seq(0, 2, 0.1)
svf = rep(NA, length(h))
for(i in 1:length(h)) {
  pol$h = h[i]
  svf[i] = SVF(location = pnt, obstacles = pol, obstacles_height_field = "h", res_angle = 1)
}
plot(h, svf, type = "b", ylim = c(0, 1))

# Comparison with SVF values from the book
test = c(1, 0.9805806757, 0.9284766909, 0.8574929257, 0.7808688094,
0.7071067812, 0.6401843997, 0.5812381937, 0.52999894, 0.4856429312,
0.4472135955, 0.4138029443, 0.3846153846, 0.3589790793, 0.336336397,
0.316227766, 0.2982749931, 0.282166324, 0.2676438638, 0.2544932993,
0.242535625)
range(test - svf)

```

```
## End(Not run)
```

tmy	<i>Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) solar radiation in Tel-Aviv</i>
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Description

A table with hourly solar radiation estimates for a typical meteorological year in Tel-Aviv.

- time Time, as POSIXct object
- sun_az Sun azimuth, in decimal degrees from North
- sun_elev Sun elevation, in decimal degrees
- solar_normal Direct Normal Irradiance, in Wh/m²
- solar_diffuse Diffuse Horizontal Irradiance, in Wh/m²

Usage

```
tmy
```

Format

A data.frame with 8760 rows and 5 columns.

References

https://energyplus.net/weather-location/europe_wmo_region_6/ISR//ISR_Tel.Aviv-Bet.Dagan.401790_MSI

toGMT	<i>Local time to GMT</i>
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Description

The function transforms a POSIXct object in any given time zone to GMT.

Usage

```
toGMT(time)
```

Arguments

time Time, a POSIXct object.

Value

A a POSIXct object, in GMT.

Examples

```
time = as.POSIXct("1999-01-01 12:00:00", tz = "Asia/Jerusalem")
toGMT(time)
```

toSeg

Split polygons or lines to segments

Description

Split lines or polygons to separate segments.

Usage

```
toSeg(x)
```

Arguments

x A SpatialLines* or a SpatialPolygons* object.

Value

A SpatialLines object where each segment is represented by a separate feature.

References

This function uses a modified version of code from the following 'r-sig-geo' post by Roger Bivand:
<https://stat.ethz.ch/pipermail/r-sig-geo/2013-April/017998.html>

Examples

```
data(build)
seg = toSeg(build[1, ])
plot(seg, col = sample(rainbow(length(seg))))
raster::text(rgeos::gCentroid(seg, byid = TRUE), 1:length(seg))

# Other data structures
toSeg(geometry(build)) # SpatialPolygons
toSeg(sidewalk) # SpatialLinesDataFrame
toSeg(geometry(sidewalk)) # SpatialLinesDataFrame
```

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