

# Package ‘hydflood’

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classifyToPNV

*Function to reclassify flood durations to potential natural vegetation*

## Description

This function is a wrapper to the function `classify` to convert flood durations computed with `flood3` into potential natural vegetation (PNV) distributions using reclassification rules supplied with `df.pnv`. Alternative reclassification rules may be applied, but they must match column names and types as given by `df.pnv`. `classify` is called with `include.lowest = TRUE` and `right = FALSE`.

## Usage

```
classifyToPNV(x, rcl = NULL, filename = "", ...)
```

## Arguments

- x argument of type [SpatRaster](#).
- rcl optional argument of type `data.frame` with columns and column types as specified in [df.pnv](#).
- filename supplies an optional output filename of type character.
- ... additional arguments as for [writeRaster](#).

## Value

[SpatRaster](#) object containing potential natural vegetation distribution as categorical raster.

## References

Ochs K, Egger G, Weber A, Ferreira T, Householder JE, Schneider M (2020). “The potential natural vegetation of large river floodplains – From dynamic to static equilibrium.” *Journal of Hydro-environment Research*, **30**, 71–81. doi:[10.1016/j.jher.2020.01.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jher.2020.01.005).

## See Also

[df.pnv](#)

## Examples

```
# deactivated, since it's very time-consuming
if (FALSE) {
  cache <- tempdir()
  options("hyd1d.datadir" = cache)
  options("hydflood.datadir" = cache)
  options("timeout" = 200)
  library(hydflood)

  # import the raster data and create a raster stack
  c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
  e <- ext(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)
  x <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)

  # create a temporal sequence
  seq <- seq(as.Date("2016-01-01"), as.Date("2016-12-31"), by = "day")

  # compute a flood duration
  fd <- flood3(x = x, seq = seq)

  # reclassify to PNV
  pnv <- classifyToPNV(fd)

  # plot pnv map
  plot(pnv)
}
```

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**createTiles***Function to split large areas (sf<code>\_POLYGON</code>) into tiles*

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**Description**

To simplify and accelerate the computation of flood duration with [flood3](#) in massive areas this function provides a simple tiling algorithm.

**Usage**

```
createTiles(x, size_x, size_y, subset = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	has to by type sf.
size_x	tile size along the x-axis in the units of the current projection (numeric).
size_y	tile size along the y-axis in the units of the current projection (numeric).
subset	boolean determining whether all or only intersecting tiles are returned.

**Value**

sf object containing tiles covering x.

**Examples**

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
library(hydflood)
tiles <- createTiles(x = sf.af(name = "Elbe"),
                      size_x = 10000, size_y = 10000)
plot(tiles["tile_ID"])
```

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**df.pnv***Reference data.frame used to classify flood duration into potential natural vegetation.*

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**Description**

Reference data.frame used to classify flood duration into potential natural vegetation (PNV). It is an extended and more detailed table to reclassify flood duration into PNV based on Ochs et al. (2020).

**Usage**

```
df.pnv
```

## Format

A `data.frame` containing 7 columns with attributes to reclassify flood duration into potential natural vegetation.

- from** lower limits of flood duration (included, type `numeric`).
- to** upper limits of flood duration (not included, type `numeric`).
- id** numeric replacements used to sort classes (type `numeric`).
- vegtype** names of the potential natural vegetation classes (type `character`).
- r** numeric coding for the r (red) of an rgb color code.
- g** numeric coding for the g (green) of an rgb color code.
- b** numeric coding for the b (blue) of an rgb color code.
- html** html color coding (type `character`).

## References

Ochs K, Egger G, Weber A, Ferreira T, Householder JE, Schneider M (2020). “The potential natural vegetation of large river floodplains – From dynamic to static equilibrium.” *Journal of Hydroenvironment Research*, **30**, 71-81. doi:10.1016/j.jher.2020.01.005.

flood1

*Function to compute flood extent or flood duration SpatRaster along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine using the 1d water level algorithm `hyd1d::waterLevelFlood1()`*

## Description

Computes flood extent, if `length(seq)` equals 1, or flood duration for the active floodplains along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine based on 1d water levels computed by `waterLevelFlood1` provided by package **hyd1d** in analogy to the INFORM 3 module 'Flut1'.

## Usage

```
flood1(x, seq, gauging_station, uuid, filename = "", ...)
```

## Arguments

- |                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| <code>x</code>   | has to be type <code>SpatRaster</code> and has to include both input layers <code>csa</code> (cross section areas) and <code>dem</code> (digital elevation model). To compute water levels along the River Elbe, <code>x</code> has to be in the coordinate reference system <b>ETRS 1989 UTM 33N</b> , for the River Rhine in <b>ETRS 1989 UTM 32N</b> . Other coordinate reference systems are not permitted. |
| <code>seq</code> | has to be type <code>c("POSIXct", "POSIXt")</code> or <code>Date</code> and have a length larger than 0. Values of <code>seq</code> must be in the temporal range between 1960-01-01 and yesterday ( <code>Sys.Date() - 1</code> ). Internally <code>waterLevelFlood1</code> uses <code>getGaugingDataW</code> to obtain daily water level information from <code>df.gauging_data</code> .                      |

**gauging\_station**

has to be type character and has to have a length of one. Permitted values are: 'SCHOENA', 'PIRNA', 'DRESDEN', 'MEISSEN', 'RIESA', 'MUEHLBERG', 'TORGAU', 'PRETZSCH-MAUKEN', 'ELSTER', 'WITTENBERG', 'COSWIG', 'VOCKERODE', 'ROSSLAU', 'DESSAU', 'AKEN', 'BARBY', 'SCHOENEBECK', 'MAGDEBURG-BUCKAU', 'MAGDEBURG-STROMBRUECKE', 'MAGDEBURG-ROTHENSEE', 'NIEGRIPP AP', 'ROGAETZ', 'TANGERMUENDE', 'STORKAU', 'SANDAU', 'SCHARLEUK', 'WITTENBERGE', 'MUEGGENDORF', 'SCHNACKENBURG', 'LENZEN', 'GORLEBEN', 'DOEMITZ', 'DAMNATZ', 'HITZACKER', 'NEU DARCHAU', 'BLECKEDE', 'BOIZENBURG', 'HOHNSTORF', 'ARTLENBURG', 'GEESTHACHT', 'RHEINWEILER', 'BREISACH', 'RUST', 'OTTENHEIM', 'KEHL-KRONENHOF', 'IFFEZHEIM', 'PLITTERSDORF', 'MAXAU', 'PHILIPPSBURG', 'SPEYER', 'MANNHEIM', 'WORMS', 'NIERSTEIN-OPPENHEIM', 'MAINZ', 'OESTRICH', 'BINGEN', 'KAUB', 'SANKT GOAR', 'BOPPARD', 'BRAUBACH', 'KOBLENZ', 'ANDERNACH', 'OBERWINTER', 'BONN', 'KOELN', 'DUESSELDORF', 'RUHRORT', 'WESEL', 'REES', 'EMMERICH'.

**uuid**

has to be type character and has to have a length of one. Permitted values are: '7cb7461b-3530-4c01-8978-7f676b8f71ed', '85d686f1-55b2-4d36-8dba-3207b50901a7', '70272185-b2b3-4178-96b8-43bea330dcae', '24440872-5bd2-4fb3-8554-907b49816c49', 'b04b739d-7ffa-41ee-9eb9-95cb1b4ef508', '16b9b4e7-be14-41fd-941e-6755c97276cc', '83bbaedb-5d81-4bc6-9f66-3bd700c99c1f', 'f3dc8f07-c2bb-4b92-b0b0-4e01a395a2c6', 'c093b557-4954-4f05-8f5c-6c6d7916c62d', '070b1eb4-3872-4e07-b2e5-e25fd9251b93', '1ce53a59-33b9-40dc-9b17-3cd2a2414607', 'ae93f2a5-612e-4514-b5fd-9c8aecdd73c7', 'e97116a4-7d30-4671-8ba1-cdce0a153d1d', '1edc5fa4-88af-47f5-95a4-0e77a06fe8b1', '094b96e5-caeb-46d3-a8ee-d44182add069', '939f82ec-15a9-49c8-8828-dc2f8a2d49e2', '90bcb315-f080-41a8-a0ac-6122331bb4cf', 'b8567c1e-8610-4c2b-a240-65e8a74919fa', 'ccccb57f-a2f9-4183-ae88-5710d3afaefd', 'e30f2e83-b80b-4b96-8f39-fa60317afcc7', '3adf88fd-fd7a-41d0-84f5-1143c98a6564', '133f0f6c-2ca1-4798-9360-5b5f417dd839', '13e91b77-90f3-41a5-a320-641748e9c311', 'de4cc1db-51cb-4b62-bee2-9750cbe4f5c4', 'f4c55f77-ab80-4e00-bed3-aa6631aba074', 'e32b0a28-8cd5-4053-bc86-fff9c6469106', 'cbf3cd49-91bd-49cc-8926-ccc6c0e7eca4', '48f2661f-f9cb-4093-9d57-da2418ed656e', '550e3885-a9d1-4e55-bd25-34228bd6d988', 'c80a4f21-528c-4771-98d7-10cd591699a4', 'ac507f42-1593-49ea-865f-10b2523617c7', '6e3ea719-48b1-408a-bc55-0986c1e94cd5', 'c233674f-259a-4304-b81f-dce1f415d85b', 'a26e57c9-1cb8-4fc8-ba80-9e02abc81df8', '67d6e882-b60c-40d3-975c-a6d7a2b4e40a', '6aa1cd8e-e528-4bcb-ba8e-705b6dcb7da2', '33e0bce0-13df-4ffc-be9d-f1a79e795e1c', 'd9289367-c8aa-4b6a-b1ad-857fec94c6bb', 'b3492c68-8373-4769-9b29-22f66635a478', '44f7e955-c97d-45c8-9ed7-19406806fb4c', '06b978dd-8c4d-48ac-a0c8-2c16681ed281', '9da1ad2b-88db-4ccb-8132-eddfab07d5ba', '5389b878-fad5-4f37-bb87-e6cb36b7078b', '787e5d63-61e2-48cc-acf0-633e2bf923f2', '23af9b02-5c82-4f6e-acb8-f92a06e5e4da', 'b02be240-1364-4c97-8bb6-675d7d842332', '6b774802-fcb5-49ae-8ecb-ecaf1a278b1c', 'b6c6d5c8-e2d5-4469-8dd8-fa972ef7eaea', '88e972e1-88a0-4eb9-847c-0925e5999a46', '2cb8ae5b-c5c9-4fa8-bac0-bb724f2754f4', '57090802-c51a-4d09-8340-b4453cd0e1f5', '844a620ff3b8-4b6b-8e3c-783ae2aa232a', 'd28e7ed1-3317-41c5-bec6-725369ed1171', 'a37a9aa3-45e9-4d90-9df6-109f3a28a5af', '665be0fe-5e38-43f6-8b04-02a93bdbbeeb4', '0309cd61-90c9-470e-99d4-2ee4fb2c5f84', '1d26e504-7f9e-480a-b52c-5932be6549ab', '550eb7e9-172e-48e4-ae1e-d1b761b42223', '2ff6379d-d168-4022-8da0-16846d45ef9b', 'd6dc44d1-

63ac-4871-b175-60ac4040069a', '4c7d796a-39f2-4f26-97a9-3aad01713e29', '5735892a-ec65-4b29-97c5-50939aa9584e', 'b45359df-c020-4314-adb1-d1921db642da', '593647aa-9fea-43ec-a7d6-6476a76ae868', 'a6ee8177-107b-47dd-bcfcd-30960ccc6e9c', '8f7e5f92-1153-4f93-acba-ca48670c8ca9', 'c0f51e35-d0e8-4318-afaf-c5fcbe29f4c1', 'f33c3cc9-dc4b-4b77-baa9-5a5f10704398', '2f025389-fac8-4557-94d3-7d0428878c86', '9598e4cb-0849-401e-bba0-689234b27644'.

- filename supplies an optional output filename and has to be type character.  
 ... additional arguments as for [writeRaster](#).

## Details

For every time step provided in seq, flood1() computes a 1d water level using [waterLevelFlood1](#) along the requested river section. This 1d water level is transferred to a wl (water level) raster layer, which is in fact a copy of the csa (cross section areas) layer, and then compared to the dem (digital elevation model) layer. Where the wl layer is higher than the dem, layer flood duration is increased by 1.

## Value

SpatRaster object with flood duration in the range of [0, length(seq)].

## References

Rosenzweig S, Giebel H, Schleuter M (2011). “Ökologische Modellierungen für die Wasser- und Schiffahrtsverwaltung – Das integrierte Flussauenmodell INFORM in seiner neuesten Fassung (Version 3). Bundesanstalt für Gewässerkunde, Koblenz, Germany.” [doi:10.5675/bfg1667](#).

## See Also

[df.gauging\\_data](#), [getGaugingDataW](#), [waterLevelFlood1](#), [writeRaster](#), [terraOptions](#)

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

# import the raster data and create a raster stack
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
e <- ext(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)
x <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)

# create a temporal sequence
seq <- seq(as.Date("2016-12-01"), as.Date("2016-12-31"), by = "day")

# compute a flood duration
fd <- flood1(x = x, seq = seq, gauging_station = "ROSSLAU")
```

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flood2	<i>Function to compute flood extent or flood duration SpatRaster along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine using the 1d water level algorithm hyd1d::waterLevelFlood2()</i>
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## Description

Computes flood extent, if `length(seq)` equals 1, or flood duration for the active floodplains along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine based on 1d water levels computed by `waterLevelFlood2` provided by package `hyd1d` in analogy to the INFORM 3 module 'Flut2'.

## Usage

```
flood2(x, seq, filename = "", ...)
```

## Arguments

- x has to be type SpatRaster and has to include both input layers csa (cross section areas) and dem (digital elevation model). To compute water levels along the River Elbe, x has to be in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 33N**, for the River Rhine in **ETRS 1989 UTM 32N**. Other coordinate reference systems are not permitted.
- seq has to be type `c("POSIXct", "POSIXt")` or Date and have a length larger than 0. Values of seq must be in the temporal range between 1960-01-01 and yesterday (`Sys.Date() - 1`). Internally `waterLevelFlood2()` uses `getGaugingDataW` to obtain daily water level information from `df.gauging_data`.
- filename supplies an optional output filename and has to be type character.
- ... additional arguments as for `writeRaster`.

## Details

For every time step provided in seq, `flood2()` computes a 1d water level using `waterLevelFlood2` along the requested river section. This 1d water level is transferred to a wl (water level) raster layer, which is in fact a copy of the csa (cross section areas) layer, and then compared to the dem (digital elevation model) layer. Where the wl layer is higher than the dem, layer flood duration is increased by 1.

## Value

SpatRaster object with flood duration in the range of `[0, length(seq)]`.

## References

Rosenzweig S, Giebel H, Schleuter M (2011). “Ökologische Modellierungen für die Wasser- und Schifffahrtsverwaltung – Das integrierte Flussauenmodell INFORM in seiner neuesten Fassung (Version 3). Bundesanstalt für Gewässerkunde, Koblenz, Germany.” doi:[10.5675/bfg1667](https://doi.org/10.5675/bfg1667).

## See Also

[df.gauging\\_data](#), [getGaugingDataW](#), [waterLevelFlood2](#), [writeRaster](#), [terraOptions](#)

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

# import the raster data and create a raster stack
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
e <- ext(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)
x <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)

# create a temporal sequence
seq <- seq(as.Date("2016-12-01"), as.Date("2016-12-31"), by = "day")

# compute a flood duration
fd <- flood2(x = x, seq = seq)
```

### flood3

*Function to compute flood extent or flood duration SpatRaster along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine using the 1d water level algorithms hyd1d::waterLevel() and hyd1d::waterLevelPegelonline()*

## Description

Computes flood extent, if `length(seq)` equals 1, or flood duration for the active floodplains along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine based on 1d water levels computed by [waterLevel](#) or [waterLevelPegelonline](#) provided by package **hyd1d**.

## Usage

```
flood3(x, seq, filename = "", ...)
```

## Arguments

- |                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | has to be type SpatRaster and has to include both input raster layers <code>csa</code> (cross section areas) and <code>dem</code> (digital elevation model). To compute water levels along the River Elbe <code>x</code> has to be in the coordinate reference system <b>ETRS 1989 UTM 33N</b> , for River Rhine in <b>ETRS 1989 UTM 32N</b> . Other coordinate reference systems are not permitted. |
|----------------|--|

seq	has to be type c("POSIXct", "POSIXt") or Date and have a length larger than 0. If seq is type c("POSIXct", "POSIXt"), values must be in the temporal range between 31 days ago (Sys.time() - 2678400) and now (Sys.time()). Then <a href="#">waterLevelPegelonline</a> is used internally for the water level computations. If seq is type Date, values must be in the temporal range between 1960-01-01 and yesterday (Sys.Date() - 1) and <a href="#">waterLevel</a> is used internally.
filename	supplies an optional output filename and has to be type character.
...	additional arguments as for <a href="#">writeRaster</a> .

## Details

For every time step provided in seq, `flood3()` computes a 1d water level along the requested river section. This 1d water level is transferred to a w1 (water level) raster layer, which is in fact a copy of the csa (cross section areas) layer, and then compared to the dem (digital elevation model) layer. Where the w1 layer is higher than the dem, layer flood duration is increased by 1.

## Value

SpatRaster object with flood duration in the range of [0, `length(seq)`].

## References

- Weber A (2022). “Flood durations and potential natural vegetation distribution on the floodplains of River Rhine and River Elbe, Germany.” [doi:10.1594/PANGAEA.948042](#).
- Weber A (2023). “Flood durations of the year 2022 on the floodplains of River Rhine and River Elbe, Germany.” [doi:10.1594/PANGAEA.961117](#).

## See Also

[waterLevel](#), [waterLevelPegelonline](#), [writeRaster](#), [terraOptions](#)

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

# import the raster data and create a raster stack
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
e <- ext(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)
x <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)

# create a temporal sequence
seq <- seq(as.Date("2016-12-01"), as.Date("2016-12-31"), by = "day")

# compute a flood duration
fd <- flood3(x = x, seq = seq)
```

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flood3Points	<i>Function to compute flood duration for point coordinates along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine using the 1d water level algorithms hyd1d::waterLevel() and hyd1d::waterLevelPegelonline()</i>
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## Description

Computes flood duration for points located in the active floodplains along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine based on 1d water levels computed by [waterLevel](#) or [waterLevelPegelonline](#) provided by package **hyd1d**.

## Usage

```
flood3Points(x, seq)
```

## Arguments

- x has to be type sf possibly including columns csa (cross section areas) and dem (digital elevation model). To compute water levels along the River Elbe, x has to be in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 33N**, for the River Rhine in **ETRS 1989 UTM 32N**. Other coordinate reference systems are not permitted.
- seq has to be type c("POSIXct", "POSIXt") or Date and have a length larger than 0. If seq is type c("POSIXct", "POSIXt"), values must be in the temporal range between 31 days ago (Sys.time() - 2678400) and now (Sys.time()). Then [waterLevelPegelonline](#) is used internally for the water level computations. If seq is type Date, values must be in the temporal range between 1960-01-01 and yesterday (Sys.Date() - 1)

## Details

For every time step provided in seq, `flood3Points()` computes a 1d water level along the requested river section. This 1d water level is transferred to a temporary wl (water level) column and then compared to the dem (digital elevation model) column. Where the wl is higher than the dem flood duration `flood3` is increased by 1.

Since the underlying tiled digital elevation models (dem) are rather large datasets hydflood provides options to permanently cache these datasets. `options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())` is the default. To modify the location of your raster cache to your needs set the respective `options()` prior to loading the package, e.g. `options("hydflood.datadir" = "~/hydflood"); library(hydflood)`. The location can also be determined through the environmental variable `hydflood_datadir`.

## Value

sf object with flood duration stored in column `flood3` in the range of [0, `length(seq)`], elevation stored in column `dem` and cross section areas stored in column `csa`.

**See Also**

[waterLevel](#), [waterLevelPegelonline](#)

**Examples**

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

# create a random points object
c <- st_crs(25833)
e <- st_as_sfc(st_bbox(c(xmin = 309000, xmax = 310000,
                           ymin = 5749000, ymax = 5750000)))
st_crs(e) <- c
set.seed(123)
points <- st_sample(e, size = 10, "random")
p <- data.frame(id = 1:10)
st_geometry(p) <- points

# create a temporal sequence
seq <- seq(as.Date("2016-12-01"), as.Date("2016-12-31"), by = "day")

# compute a flood duration
p <- flood3Points(x = p, seq = seq)
```

getDEM

*Function to obtain the digital elevation models for the active flood-plains along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine*

**Description**

This function downloads and patches the tiled digital elevation models (dem) along the German federal waterways Elbe and Rhine that have been published on [pangaea.de](#).

**Usage**

```
getDEM(filename = "", ext, crs, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- |          |   |
|----------|---|
| filename | supplies an optional in- and output filename and has to be type character.  |
| ext      | argument of type <a href="#">SpatExtent</a> .   |
| crs      | argument of type <a href="#">crs</a> or <a href="#">crs</a> . It is used to select the respective river (Elbe: ' <a href="#">ETRS 1989 UTM 33N</a> '; Rhine: ' <a href="#">ETRS 1989 UTM 32N</a> ') |
| ...      | additional arguments as for <a href="#">writeRaster</a> .   |

## Details

Since the underlying tiled digital elevation models (dem) are rather large datasets hydflood provides options to permanently cache these datasets. `options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())` is the default. To modify the location of your raster cache to your needs set the respective `options()` prior to loading the package, e.g. `options("hydflood.datadir" = "~/hydflood"); library(hydflood)`. The location can also be determined through the environmental variable `hydflood_datadir`.

Since downloads of large individual datasets might cause timeouts, it is recommended to increase `options("timeout")`.

## Value

`SpatRaster` object containing elevation data for the selected floodplain region.

## References

- Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation models of German waterway and navigation authorities - Version 0.1.0.” <https://doi.org/10.5675/BfG-2011>.
- Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation model (DEM1) of the River Elbe floodplain between Schmilka and Geesthacht, Germany.” <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.919293>.
- Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation model (DEM1) of the River Rhine floodplain between Iffezheim and Kleve, Germany.” <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.919308>.

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)
dem <- getDEM(ext = ext(c(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)),
             crs = st_crs("EPSG:25833"))
```

hydflood

*hydflood: Flood Extents and Durations along the Rivers Elbe and Rhine*

## Description

Raster based flood modelling internally using **hyd1d**, an R package to interpolate 1d water level and gauging data. The package computes flood extent and durations through strategies originally developed for 'INFORM', an 'ArcGIS'-based hydro-ecological modelling framework. It does not provide a full, physical hydraulic modelling algorithm, but a simplified, near real time 'GIS' approach for flood extent and duration modelling. Computationally demanding annual flood durations have been computed already and data products were published by Weber (2022) doi: [10.1594/PANGAEA.948042](https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.948042).

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## See Also

Useful links:

- <https://hydflood.bafg.de>
- <https://github.com/bafg-bund/hydflood>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/bafg-bund/hydflood/issues/>

`hydSpatRaster`

*Initialize a SpatRaster for the flood-functions*

## Description

To initialize an object of class `SpatRaster` with layers dem and csa this function should be used. It checks all the required input data, downloads missing data automatically, clips and returns the final object, prepared for the `flood()` functions (`flood1`, `flood2` and `flood3`).

## Usage

```
hydSpatRaster(filename_dem = "", filename_csa = "", ext, crs, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>filename_dem</code>	an optional argument of length 1 with type character specifying a filename of a <b>digital elevation model</b> raster dataset.  If the file exists it is imported via <code>rast</code> and used to build the <code>SpatRaster</code> , potentially cropped by argument <code>ext</code> . If the dem file does not exist, data are downloaded automatically and exported using <code>writeRaster</code> and can be reused to accelerate later computations.  An existing dataset must be either in the coordinate reference system (crs) 'ETRS 1989 UTM 32N' (epsg: 25832) for the River Rhine or 'ETRS 1989 UTM 33N' (epsg: 25833) for the River Elbe. It must also overlap with the active floodplains ( <code>sf.afe</code> or <code>sf.afr</code> ) of the river selected through the <code>crs</code> .  If argument <code>filename_csa</code> is specified and exists too, the coordinate reference system ( <code>crs</code> ), extent ( <code>ext</code> ) and resolution ( <code>res</code> ) of both raster datasets must match.  Supported file types depend on available <a href="#">GDAL raster drivers</a> .
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filename_csa	an optional argument of length 1 with type character specifying a filename of a cross section area raster dataset.  If the file exists it is imported via <code>rast</code> and used to build the SpatRaster, potentially cropped by argument <code>ext</code> . If the csa file does not exist, data are downloaded automatically and exported using <code>writeRaster</code> and can be reused to accelerate later computations.  An existing dataset must be either in the coordinate reference system (crs) 'ETRS 1989 UTM 32N' (epsg: 25832) for the River Rhine or 'ETRS 1989 UTM 33N' (epsg: 25833) for the River Elbe. It must also overlap with the active flood-plains ( <code>sf.afe</code> or <code>sf.afr</code> ) of the river selected through the crs and be in the possible range of <code>station_int</code> values: Elbe (m 0 - 585700), Rhine (m 336200 - 865700).
ext	If argument <code>filename_dem</code> is specified too, coordinate reference system ( <code>crs</code> ), extent ( <code>ext</code> ) and resolution ( <code>res</code> ) of both raster datasets must match.  Supported file types depend on available <b>GDAL raster drivers</b> .
crs	optional argument of type <code>SpatExtent</code> . If neither <code>filename_dem</code> nor <code>filename_csa</code> are specified, <code>ext</code> is required to download the respective data and generate temporary dem and csa datasets. If either <code>filename_dem</code> or <code>filename_csa</code> or both are specified, <code>ext</code> must be within the extent of provided raster layers. Then it is used to <code>crop</code> the supplied data.
...	additional parameters passed to <code>writeRaster</code> .

## Details

Since the underlying tiled digital elevation models (dem) are rather large datasets hydflood provides options to permanently cache these datasets. `options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())` is the default. To modify the location of your raster cache to your needs set the respective `options()` prior to loading the package, e.g. `options("hydflood.datadir" = "~/hydflood"); library(hydflood)`. The location can also be determined through the environmental variable `hydflood_datadir`.

Since downloads of large individual datasets might cause timeouts, it is recommended to increase `options("timeout")`.

## Value

SpatRaster object containing digital elevation (dem) and cross section area (csa) raster layers.

## References

Wasserstraßen- und Schifffahrtsverwaltung des Bundes (WSV) (2016). "Digitales Geländemodell des Wasserlaufs (DGM-W)." <https://www.govdata.de/daten/-/details/1c669080-c804-11e4-8731-1681e6b88ec1>

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- ARGE Vermessung Schmid - Inphoris (2012). “Aufbau eines Digitalen Geländemodells des Niederrheinwasserlaufes (DGM-W Niederrhein).”
- Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation models of German waterway and navigation authorities - Version 0.1.0.” <https://doi.org/10.5675/BfG-2011>.
- Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation model (DEM1) of the River Elbe floodplain between Schmilka and Geesthacht, Germany.” <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.919293>.
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- Brunotte E, Dister E, Günther-Diringer D, Koenzen U, Mehl D (2009). “Zustand der rezenten Flussauen in Deutschland - Geodaten.”

## See Also

`SpatRaster-class`, `rast`, `writeRaster`, `flood1`, `flood2`, `flood3`, `sf.afe`, `sf.afr`

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

e <- ext(436500, 438000, 5415000, 5416500)
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25832")

r <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)
r
```

`sf.af`

*Obtain projected versions of sf.afe and sf.afr*

## Description

Obtain projected versions of `sf.afe` and `sf.afr`

**Usage**

```
sf.af(name = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

name either 'Elbe' or 'Rhine'.

**Value**

sf with the projected active floodplain

**See Also**

[sf.afe](#), [sf.afr](#)

**Examples**

```
library(hydflood)
sf.af(name = "Elbe")
```

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sf.afe

*Active floodplain along the River Elbe*

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**Description**

This dataset contains a polygon of the active floodplain along the German interior parts of the River Elbe from the Czech border to the weir in Geesthacht in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 33N**.

Originally, this polygon was produced for the floodplain status report (Auenzustandsbericht; Brunotte et al. (2009), Bundesamt für Naturschutz (2009)) at a scale of 1:25,000. For hydflood it was updated with recent flood protection measures and manually improved with recent digital elevation models and aerial images at a scale of < 1:10,000.

**Usage**

`sf.afe`

**Format**

A sf containing 1 polygon

## References

- Brunotte E, Dister E, Günther-Diringer D, Koenzen U, Mehl D (2009). “Flussauen in Deutschland - Erfassung und Beurteilung des Auenzustandes.”
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## See Also

[sf.af](#), [sf.afe](#)

[sf.afr](#)

*Active floodplain along the River Rhine*

## Description

This dataset contains a polygon of the active floodplain along the German, freeflowing parts of the River Rhine from the weir Iffezheim to the Dutch border in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 32N**.

Originally, this polygon was produced for the floodplain status report (Auenzustandsbericht; Brunotte et al. (2009), Bundesamt für Naturschutz (2009)) at a scale of 1:25,000. For hydflood it was updated with recent flood protection measures and manually improved with recent digital elevation models and aerial images at a scale of < 1:10,000.

## Usage

[sf.afr](#)

## Format

A sf containing 1 polygon

## References

- Brunotte E, Dister E, Günther-Diringer D, Koenzen U, Mehl D (2009). “Flussauen in Deutschland - Erfassung und Beurteilung des Auenzustandes.”
- Brunotte E, Dister E, Günther-Diringer D, Koenzen U, Mehl D (2009). “Zustand der rezenten Flussauen in Deutschland - Geodaten.”
- Bundesamt für Naturschutz (2009). “Zustand der rezenten Flussauen in Deutschland.” [https://www.bfn.de/sites/default/files/2023-01/Auenzustandsbericht%202009\\_0.pdf](https://www.bfn.de/sites/default/files/2023-01/Auenzustandsbericht%202009_0.pdf).

## See Also

[sf.af](#), [sf.afe](#)

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sf.tiles	<i>Obtain projected versions of sf.tiles_elbe and sf.tiles_rhine</i>
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## Description

Obtain projected versions of [sf.tiles\\_elbe](#) and [sf.tiles\\_rhine](#)

## Usage

```
sf.tiles(name = NULL)
```

## Arguments

name either 'Elbe' or 'Rhine'.

## Value

sf with projected tiles

## See Also

[sf.tiles\\_elbe](#), [sf.tiles\\_rhine](#)

## Examples

```
library(hydflood)
sf.tiles(name = "Elbe")
```

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sf.tiles_elbe	<i>Tiling along the active floodplain of the River Elbe</i>
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## Description

This dataset contains 49 rectangular polygons / tiles along the active floodplain along the German interior parts of the River Elbe from the Czech border to the weir in Geesthacht in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 33N**.

The tiles represent the original tiling of the internally used digital elevation model (Weber 2020).

## Usage

```
sf.tiles_elbe
```

## Format

A sf containing 49 polygons with 18 attributes:

- id** of the tile (type integer).
- name** of the tile (type character).
- river** of the tile (type character) in this case 'ELBE'.
- name\_km** of the tile (type character).
- from\_km** river kilometer of the tiles upper limit (type numeric).
- to\_km** river kilometer of the tiles lower limit (type numeric).
- gs\_upper** name of the tiles upper gauging station (type character).
- gs\_lower** name of the tiles lower gauging station (type character).
- geometry** sfc\_POLYGON column storing the geometries.
- xmin** of the tile extent (type integer). Minimum of UTM Easting (m).
- xmax** of the tile extent (type integer). Maximum of UTM Easting (m).
- ymin** of the tile extent (type integer). Minimum of UTM Northing (m).
- ymax** of the tile extent (type integer). Maximum of UTM Northing (m).
- lon\_min** of the tile extent (type numeric). Minimum of Longitude (decimal °).
- lon\_max** of the tile extent (type numeric). Maximum of Longitude (decimal °).
- lat\_min** of the tile extent (type numeric). Minimum of Latitude (decimal °).
- lat\_max** of the tile extent (type numeric). Maximum of Latitude (decimal °).
- url** of the tile (type character).

## References

- Weber A (2020). "Digital elevation models of German waterway and navigation authorities - Version 0.1.0." <https://doi.org/10.5675/BfG-2011>.
- Weber A (2020). "Digital elevation model (DEM1) of the River Elbe floodplain between Schmilka and Geesthacht, Germany." <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.919293>.

## See Also

[sf.tiles](#), [sf.tiles\\_rhine](#)

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**sf.tiles\_rhine***Tiling along the active floodplain of the River Rhine*

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**Description**

This dataset contains 40 rectangular polygons / tiles along the active floodplain along the German, freeflowing parts of the River Rhine from the weir Iffezheim to the Dutch border near Kleve in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 32N**.

The tiles represent the original tiling of the internally used digital elevation model (Weber 2020).

**Usage**

```
sf.tiles_rhine
```

**Format**

A sf containing 40 polygons with 18 attributes:

**id** of the tile (type integer).  
**name** of the tile (type character).  
**river** of the tile (type character) in this case RHINE'.  
**name\_km** of the tile (type character).  
**from\_km** river kilometer of the tiles upper limit (type numeric).  
**to\_km** river kilometer of the tiles lower limit (type numeric).  
**gs\_upper** name of the tiles upper gauging station (type character).  
**gs\_lower** name of the tiles lower gauging station (type character).  
**geometry** sfc\_POLYGON column storing the geometries.  
**xmin** of the tile extent (type integer). Minimum of UTM Easting (m).  
**xmax** of the tile extent (type integer). Maximum of UTM Easting (m).  
**ymin** of the tile extent (type integer). Minimum of UTM Northing (m).  
**ymax** of the tile extent (type integer). Maximum of UTM Northing (m).  
**lon\_min** of the tile extent (type numeric). Minimum of Longitude (decimal °).  
**lon\_max** of the tile extent (type numeric). Maximum of Longitude (decimal °).  
**lat\_min** of the tile extent (type numeric). Minimum of Latitude (decimal °).  
**lat\_max** of the tile extent (type numeric). Maximum of Latitude (decimal °).  
**url** of the tile (type character).

**References**

Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation models of German waterway and navigation authorities - Version 0.1.0.” <https://doi.org/10.5675/BfG-2011>.

Weber A (2020). “Digital elevation model (DEM1) of the River Rhine floodplain between Iffezheim and Kleve, Germany.” <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.919308>.

## See Also

[sf.tiles\\_elbe](#), [sf.tiles\\_rhine](#)

w80ToSFL

*Function to convert w80-files to sfc\_LINESTRING.*

## Description

This function converts w80-files, an ascii-format with 80 characters per line for spatial point data used by the German Waterways and Shipping Administration (WSV). Every single row codes for one point:

|\_1\_|\_2\_|\_3\_\_\_\_\_|4|\_\_\_\_\_5\_\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_\_6\_\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_\_7\_\_\_\_\_|\_8\_|

W0701 55 2594611 1330938065557502425901108035 5795591108035 Bu. 15 01

W0701 57 2594611 7330932961457502484041108035 5538181108035 Bu. 15 01

Within each row very specific sections code for specific attributes:

section	column(s)	attribute	column name in result
1	1	state id, here W=WSV	sid
1	2-5	Federal Waterway ID	fwid
2	6-8	WSV point type	wsvpt
3	9	blank	-
3	10-15	river station (km)	station
4	16	bank: 1 left, 2 right	bank
4	17-20	continuous id	id
5	21-30	easting in GK-coordinates	x
5	31-40	northing in GK-coordinates	y
6	41-46	datum of measurement	date_coor
6	47	accuracy	acc_coor
6	48-54	elevation	z
6	55-60	date of the elevation measurement	date_z
6	61	accuracy of the elevation measurement	acc_z
6	62-64	type of measurement	tom
7	65-84	comment	comment
8	85-86	point status	status

In a second step these points are aggregated to a sfc\_LINESTRING using the grouping column id.

## Usage

```
w80ToFSL(
  filename,
  crs,
  id = c("sid", "fwid", "wsvpt", "station", "bank", "id", "x", "y", "date_coor",
    "acc_coor", "z", "date_z", "acc_z", "tom", "comment", "status", "lat", "lon",
    "station_int", "station_c")
)
```

## Arguments

filename	argument of length 1 and type character specifying an existing w80-file.
crs	argument of type <code>crs</code> or <code>crs</code> .
id	argument of type character specifying a grouping column.

## Value

`sfc_LINESTRING`.

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
library(hydflood)
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
filename <- tempfile(fileext = ".w80")

# write temporary w80 file
cat("W0701 55 2594611 1330938065557502425901108035 5795591108035      Bu.15 01\n",
    file = filename)
cat("W0701 57 2594611 7330932961457502484041108035 5538181108035      Bu.15 01\n",
    file = filename, append = TRUE)

# import temporary w80 file as sf LINESTRING
sl <- w80ToFSL(filename, c, "station_int")
```

## Description

This function converts w80-files, an asci-format with 80 characters per line for spatial point data used by the German Waterways and Shipping Administration (WSV). Every single row codes for one point:

|\_1\_|\_2\_|\_3\_\_\_\_\_|4|\_\_\_\_\_5\_\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_\_6\_\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_\_7\_\_\_\_\_|\_8\_|

```
W0701 55 2594611 1330938065557502425901108035 5795591108035 Bu. 15 01
```

```
W0701 57 2594611 7330932961457502484041108035 5538181108035 Bu. 15 01
```

Within each row very specific sections code for specific attributes:

<b>section</b>	<b>column(s)</b>	<b>attribute</b>	<b>column name in result</b>
1	1	state id, here W=WSV	sid
1	2-5	Federal Waterway ID	fwid
2	6-8	WSV point type	wsvpt
3	9	blank	-
3	10-15	river station (km)	station
4	16	bank: 1 left, 2 right	bank
4	17-20	continuous id	id
5	21-30	easting in GK-coordinates	x
5	31-40	northing in GK-coordinates	y
6	41-46	datum of measurement	date_coor
6	47	accuracy	acc_coor
6	48-54	elevation	z
6	55-60	date of the elevation measurement	date_z
6	61	accuracy of the elevation measurement	acc_z
6	62-64	type of measurement	tom
7	65-84	comment	comment
8	85-86	point status	status

## Usage

```
w80ToSFP(filename, crs)
```

## Arguments

- |          |  |
|----------|--|
| filename | argument of length 1 and type character specifying an existing w80-file. |
| crs      | argument of type <a href="#">crs</a> or <a href="#">crs</a> .            |

## Value

sfc\_POINT.

## Examples

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
library(hydflood)
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
filename <- tempfile(fileext = ".w80")

# write temporary w80 file
cat("W0701 55 2594611 1330938065557502425901108035 5795591108035      Bu.15 01\n",
    file = filename)
```

```
cat("W0701 57 2594611 7330932961457502484041108035 5538181108035      Bu.15  01\n",
  file = filename, append = TRUE)

# import temporary w80 file as sf POINT
sf <- w80ToSFP(filename, c)
```

**waterDepth**

*Function to compute water depths SpatRaster for characteristic water levels or selected dates*

**Description**

Computes water depths for characteristic water levels or dates for the active floodplains along the German federal waterways Elbe, Rhine and the North Sea estuaries based on 1d water levels computed by [waterLevel](#), [waterLevelPegelonline](#), [waterLevelFlood2](#) or [waterLevelFlys3](#) provided by package [hyd1d](#).

**Usage**

```
waterDepth(x, value = NULL, df = NULL, filename = "", ...)
```

**Arguments**

- x has to be type SpatRaster and has to include both input raster layers csa (cross section areas) and dem (digital elevation model). To compute water levels along the River Elbe x has to be in the coordinate reference system **ETRS 1989 UTM 33N**, for River Rhine and the estuaries in **ETRS 1989 UTM 32N**. Other coordinate reference systems are not permitted.
- value an optional value of type c("POSIXct", "POSIXt"), Date or character. For c("POSIXct", "POSIXt") or Date values [waterLevel](#)- or [waterLevelPegelonline](#)-function are used internally for the water level computation. For character values [waterLevelFlood2](#) or [waterLevelFlys3](#) are used internally. Commonly available character values are c("MThw", "MTnw", "HThw", "NTnw", "HHW", "NNW", "MNW", "MW", "MHW") or a column supplied in df.
- df an optional object of type data.frame, which must contain the columns gauging\_station, river, longitude, latitude, km\_csa, pnp and finally a water level column named in value.
- filename supplies an optional output filename and has to be type character.
- ... additional arguments as for [writeRaster](#).

**Details**

For the characteristic water level provided in value (and df) `waterDepth()` computes a 1d water level using [waterLevelFlood2](#) along the requested river section. This 1d water level is transferred to a wl (water level) raster layer, which is in fact a copy of the csa (cross section areas) layer, and then compared to the dem (digital elevation model) layer. Where the wl layer is higher than the dem, the resulting flood extent layer is set to 1.

**Value**

SpatRaster object with a numeric water depth.

**See Also**

[waterLevel](#), [waterLevelPegelonline](#), [waterLevelFlood2](#), [waterLevelFlys3](#), [writeRaster](#), [terraOptions](#)

**Examples**

```
options("hydflood.datadir" = tempdir())
options("timeout" = 200)
library(hydflood)

# import the raster data and create a raster stack
c <- st_crs("EPSG:25833")
e <- ext(309000, 310000, 5749000, 5750000)
x <- hydSpatRaster(ext = e, crs = c)

# compute the water depth
depth <- waterDepth(x = x, value = "MQ")

# plot the product
plot(depth)
```

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