# Package 'arcgisbinding'

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ArcGIS product and license information

# **Description**

Initialize connection to ArcGIS. Any script running directly from R (i.e. without being called from a Geoprocessing script) should first call arc.check\_product to create a connection with ArcGIS. Provides installation details on the version of ArcGIS installed that arcgisbinding is communicating with.

# Usage

```
arc.check_product()
```

## **Details**

Returned details include:

- Product: ArcGIS Desktop (i.e. ArcMap), or ArcGIS Pro. The name of the product connected.
- License level: Basic, Standard, or Advanced are the three licensing levels available. Each provides progressively more functionality within the software. See the "Desktop Functionality Matrix" link for details.
- Build number: The build number of the release being used. Useful in debugging and when creating error reports.
- DLL: The dynamic linked library (DLL) in use allowing ArcGIS to communicate with R.

#### References

ArcGIS Desktop Functionality Matrix

# Note

Additional license levels are available on ArcGIS Desktop: Server, EngineGeoDB, and Engine. These license levels are currently unsupported by this package.

```
info <- arc.check_product()
info$license # ArcGIS license level
info$version # ArcGIS build number
info$app # product name
info$dll # binding DLL in use</pre>
```

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arc.data2sp

Convert an arc.dataframe object to an sp SpatialDataFrame object

# **Description**

Convert an ArcGIS data. frame to the equivalent sp data frame type. The output types that can be generated: SpatialPointsDataFrame, SpatialLinesDataFrame, or SpatialPolygonsDataFrame.

# Usage

```
arc.data2sp(x)
```

# **Arguments**

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data.frame result of arc.select

# **Examples**

arc.dataset-class

Class "arc.dataset"

# Description

```
arc.dataset S4 class
```

## **Details**

The dataset\_type slot possible values are described in the referenced "dataset properties – data type" documentation. For feature datasets, extent contains four double values: (xmin, ymin, xmax, ymax). The fields slot includes the details of the ArcGIS data types of the relevant fields, which include data types not directly representable in R.

# **Slots**

```
path file path or layer name
dataset_type dataset type
extent spatial extent of the dataset
fields list of field names
shapeinfo geometry information (see arc.shapeinfo)
```

#### References

1. ArcGIS Help: Dataset properties – dataset type

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#### **Examples**

arc.env

Get geoprocessing environment settings

#### **Description**

Geoprocessing environment settings are additional parameters that affect a tool's results. Unlike parameters, they are not directly input as values. Instead, they are values configured in a separate dialog box, and then and interrogated and used by the script when run.

## Usage

```
arc.env()
```

#### **Details**

The geoprocessing environment can control a variety of attributes relating to where data is stored, the extent and projection of analysis outputs, tolerances of output values, and parallel processing, among other attributes. Commonly used environment settings include workspace, which controls the default location for geoprocessing tool inputs and outputs. See the topics listed under "References" for details on the full range of environment settings that Geoprocessing scripts can utilize.

#### References

- ArcGIS Help: What is a geoprocessing environment setting?
- ArcGIS Help: Setting geoprocessing environments

## Note

- This function is only available from within an ArcGIS session. Usually, it is used to get local Geoprocessing tool environment settings within the executing tool.
- This function can only read current geoprocessing settings. Settings, such as the current workspace, must be configured in the calling Geoprocessing script, not within the body of the R script.

```
## Not run:
  tool_exec <- function(in_para, out_params)
{
    env = arc.env()
    wkspath <- env$workspace
    ...
    return(out_params)
}</pre>
```

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

arc.fromP4ToWkt

Convert PROJ.4 Coordinate Reference System string to Well-known Text.

# **Description**

The arc.fromP4ToWkt command converts a PROJ.4 coordinate reference system (CRS) string to a well-known text (WKT) representation. Well-known text is used by ArcGIS and other applications to robustly describe a coordinate reference system. Converts PROJ.4 stings which include either the '+proj' fully specified projection parameter, or the '+init' form that takes well-known IDs (WKIDs), such as EPSG codes, as input.

# Usage

```
arc.fromP4ToWkt(proj4)
```

# **Arguments**

proj4

PROJ.4 projection string

## **Details**

The produced WKT is equivalent to the ArcPy spatial reference exported string: arcpy.Describe(layer).SpatialReference.exportToString()

# References

- 1. OGC specification 12-063r5
- 2. ArcGIS Help: What are map projections?

## Note

The '+init' method currently only works with ArcGIS Pro.

# See Also

```
arc.fromWktToP4
```

```
arc.fromP4ToWkt("+proj=eqc") # Equirectangular
arc.fromP4ToWkt("+proj=latlong +datum=wgs84") # WGS 1984 geographic
arc.fromP4ToWkt("+init=epsg:2806") # initalize based on EPSG code
```

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arc.fromWktToP4

Convert a Well-known Text Coordinate Reference System into a PROJ.4 string.

# **Description**

Convert a well-known text (WKT) coordinate reference system (CRS) string to a PROJ.4 representation. PROJ.4 strings were created as a convenient way to pass CRS information to the command-line PROJ.4 utilities, and have an expressive format. Alternatively, can accept a well-known ID (WKID), a numeric value that ArcGIS uses to specify projections. See the 'Using spatial references' resource for lookup tables which map between WKIDs and given projection names.

## Usage

```
arc.fromWktToP4(wkt)
```

## **Arguments**

wkt

WKT projection string, or a WKID integer

#### References

- 1. ArcGIS REST API: Using spatial references
- 2. OGC specification 12-063r5
- 3. ArcGIS Help: What are map projections?

# See Also

```
arc.fromP4ToWkt
```

# Examples

arc.open

Open dataset, table, or layer

# Description

Open ArcGIS datasets, tables and layers. Returns a new arc.dataset-class object which contains details on both the spatial information and attribute information (data frame) contained within the dataset.

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#### Usage

arc.open(path)

#### **Arguments**

path

file path or layer name

#### Value

An arc.dataset object

## **Supported Formats**

- Feature Class: A collection of geographic features with the same geometry type (i.e. point, line, polygon) and the same spatial reference, combined with an attribute table. Feature classes can be stored in a variety of formats, including: files (e.g. Shapefiles), Geodatabases, components of feature datasets, and as coverages. All of these types can be accessed using the full path of the relevant feature class (see note below on how to specify path names).
- Layer: A layer references a feature layer, but also includes additional information necessary to symbolize and label a dataset appropriately. arc.open supports active layers in the current ArcGIS session, which can be addressed simply by referencing the layer name as it is displayed within the application. Instead of referencing file layers on disk (i.e. .lyr and .lyrx files), the direct reference to the actual dataset should be used.
- Table: Tables are effectively the same as data frames, containing a collection of records (or observations) organized in rows, with columns storing different variables (or fields). Feature classes similarly contain a table, but include the additional information about geometries lacking in a standalone table. When a standalone table is queries for its spatial information, e.g. arc.shape(table), it will return NULL. Table data types include formats such as text files, Excel spreadsheets, dBASE tables, and INFO tables.

## References

- What is the difference between a shapefile and a layer file?
- ArcGIS Help: What is a layer?
- ArcGIS Help: What are tables and attribute information?

### Note

Paths must be properly quoted for the Windows platform. There are two styles of paths that work within R on Windows:

- Doubled backslashes, such as: C:\\Workspace\\archive.gdb\\feature\_class.
- Forward-slashes such as: C:/Workspace/archive.gdb/feature\_class.

Network paths can be accessed with a leading \\\host\share or //host/share path. To access tables and data within a Feature Dataset, reference the full path to the dataset, which follows the structure: <directory>/<Geodatabase Name>/<feature dataset name>/<dataset name>. So for a table called table1 located in a feature dataset fdataset within a Geodatabase called data.gdb, the full path might be: C:/Workspace/data.gdb/fdataset/table1

# See Also

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#### **Examples**

arc.progress\_label

Set progressor label for Geoprocessing dialog box

# **Description**

Geoprocessing tools have a progressor, which includes both a progress label and a progress bar. The default progressor continuously moves back and forth to indicate the script is running. Using arc.progress\_label and arc.progress\_pos allows fine control over the script progress. Updating the progressor isn't necessary, but is useful in situations where solely outputting messages to the dialog is insufficient to communicate script progress.

# Usage

```
arc.progress_label(label)
```

# **Arguments**

label

Progress Label

# Details

Using arc.progress\_label allows control over the label that is displayed at the top of the running script. For example, it might be used to display the current step of the analysis taking place.

## References

Understanding the progressor in script tools

# Note

- Currently only functions in ArcGIS Pro, and has no effect in ArcGIS Desktop.
- This function is only available from within an ArcGIS session, and has no effect when run from the command line or in background geoprocessing.

## See Also

```
arc.progress_pos, "Progress Messages" example Geoprocessing script
```

```
## Not run:
arc.progress_label("Calculating bootstrap samples...")
## End(Not run)
```

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arc.progress\_pos

Set progressor position for Geoprocessing dialog box

## **Description**

Geoprocessing tools have a progressor, which includes both a progress label and a progress bar. The default progressor continuously moves back and forth to indicate the script is running. Using arc.progress\_label and arc.progress\_pos allow fine control over the script progress. Updating the progressor isn't necessary, but is useful in situations where solely outputting messages to the dialog is insufficient to communicate script progress.

# Usage

```
arc.progress_pos(pos = -1)
```

# **Arguments**

pos

Progress position (in percent)

#### **Details**

Using arc.progress\_pos allows control over the progressor position displayed at the top of the running script. The position is an integer percentage, 0 to 100, that the progress bar should be set to, with 100 indicating the script has completed (100%).

Setting the position to -1 resets the progressor to the default progressor, which continuously moves to indicate the script is running.

# References

Understanding the progressor in script tools

## Note

- Currently only functions in ArcGIS Pro, and has no effect in ArcGIS Desktop.
- This function is only available from within an ArcGIS session, and has no effect when run from the command line or in background geoprocessing.

#### See Also

```
arc.progress_label, "Progress Messages" example Geoprocessing script
```

```
## Not run:
arc.progress_pos(55)
## End(Not run)
```

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arc.select

Load dataset to data.frame

# **Description**

Load dataset to a standard data frame.

#### **Usage**

```
arc.select(object, fields = "*", where_clause = "", selected = TRUE,
    sr = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

object arc.dataset-class object

fields string, or list of strings, containing fields to include (default: all)

where\_clause SQL where clause

selected use only selected records (if any) when dataset is a layer or standalone table

sr transform geometry to Spatial Reference

## Value

```
arc.select returns a data.frame object (type of arc.data).
```

### Note

If dataset includes the arc.feature attribute, the "shape" of class arc.shape-class will be attached to the resulting data.frame object.

## See Also

```
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arc.shape

Get arc.shape object

# **Description**

```
Get arc.shape-class from arc.dataframe
```

# Usage

```
arc.shape(df)
```

# **Arguments**

df

arc.dataframe

## See Also

```
arc.select
```

# **Examples**

arc.shape-class

Class "arc.shape"

# **Description**

```
arc. shape is geometry collection
```

# Note

arc.shape is attached to an ArcGIS data.frame as the attribute "shape". Each element corresponds to one record in the input data frame. Points are presented as an array of lists, with each list containing (x, y, Z, M), where

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arc.shape2sp

Convert Esri shape to sp spatial geometry

# **Description**

Convert arc.shape-class to sp spatial geometry: SpatialPoints, SpatialLines, or SpatialPolygons.

# Usage

```
arc.shape2sp(shape, wkt = arc.shapeinfo(shape)$WKT)
```

# Arguments

```
shape arc.shape-class
wkt WKT spatial reference
```

# See Also

```
arc.shape
```

# **Examples**

arc.shapeinfo

Shape Information

# **Description**

arc.shapeinfo provides details on what type of geometry is stored within the dataset, and the spatial reference of the geometry. The well-known text, WKT, allows interoperable transfer of the spatial reference system (CRS) between environments. The WKID is a numeric value that ArcGIS uses to precisely specify a projection.

# Usage

```
arc.shapeinfo(object)
```

# **Arguments**

object arc.dataset-class object

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## **Slots**

```
type geometry type: "Point", "Polyline", or "Polygon"
hasZ TRUE if geometry includes Z-values
hasM TRUE if geometry includes M-values
WKT well-known text representation of the shape's spatial reference
WKID well-known ID of the shape's spatial reference
```

#### References

- 1. ArcGIS REST API: Using spatial references
- 2. Spatial reference lookup

## See Also

```
arc.dataset-class arc.shape-class
```

# **Examples**

arc.sp2data

Convert a sp SpatialDataFrame object to an arc.dataframe object

# Description

 $Convert\,sp\,Spatial Points Data Frame,\,Spatial Polygons Data Frame,\,and\,Spatial Lines Data Frame\,objects\,to\,an\,Arc GIS-compatible\,data.\,frame.$ 

# Usage

```
arc.sp2data(sp.df)
```

# **Arguments**

sp.df

Spatial Points Data Frame, Spatial Polygons Data Frame, or Spatial Lines Data Frame

## See Also

```
arc.data2sp
```

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#### **Examples**

arc.write

Write dataset, table or layer

# **Description**

Export a data. frame object to an ArcGIS dataset. If the data frame includes a spatial attribute, this function writes a feature dataset. If no spatial attribute is found, a table is instead written.

# Usage

```
arc.write(path, data, coords = NULL, shape_info = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

path	full output path
data	input data frame. Accepts data.frame, spatial data.frame, SpatialPointsDataFrame, SpatialLinesDataFrame, and SpatialPolygonsDataFrame objects.
coords	list containing geometry type and spatial reference (optional)
shape_info	(optional)

## **Details**

Supports a variety of output formats. Below are pairs of example paths and the resulting data types:

- C:/place.gdb/fc: File Geodatabase Feature Class
- C:/place.gdb/fdataset/fc: File Geodatabase Feature Dataset
- in\_memory\logreg: In-memory workspace (must be run in ArcGIS Session)
- C:/place.shp: Esri Shapefile
- C:/place.dbf: Table

## References

- What is the difference between a shapefile and a layer file?
- ArcGIS Help: What is a layer?

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## See Also

```
arc.dataset-class, arc.open
```

# **Examples**

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Bindings for ArcGIS

# Description

This package provides classes for loading, converting and exporting ArcGIS datasets and layers in R.

## Introduction

For a complete list of exported functions, use library(help = "arcgisbinding").

# References

- sp package
- CRAN Task View: Analysis of Spatial Data

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