# Package 'cartogram'

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cartogram\_cont

Calculate Contiguous Cartogram Boundaries

# Description

Construct a continuous area cartogram by a rubber sheet distortion algorithm (Dougenik et al. 1985)

# Usage

```
cartogram_cont(
  Х,
 weight,
  itermax = 15,
 maxSizeError = 1.0001,
 prepare = "adjust",
  threshold = 0.05
)
## S3 method for class 'SpatialPolygonsDataFrame'
cartogram_cont(
 х,
 weight,
  itermax = 15,
 maxSizeError = 1.0001,
 prepare = "adjust",
  threshold = 0.05
)
## S3 method for class 'sf'
cartogram_cont(
  Х,
 weight,
  itermax = 15,
 maxSizeError = 1.0001,
 prepare = "adjust",
  threshold = 0.05
)
```

# Arguments

x SpatialPolygonDataFrame or an sf object

weight Name of the weighting variable in x

itermax Maximum iterations for the cartogram transformation, if maxSizeError ist not reached

maxSizeError Stop if meanSizeError is smaller than maxSizeError

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prepare Weighting values are adjusted to reach convergence much earlier. Possible meth-

ods are "adjust", adjust values to restrict the mass vector to the quantiles defined by threshold and 1-threshold (default), "remove", remove features with values

lower than quantile at threshold, "none", don't adjust weighting values

threshold Define threshold for data preparation

#### Value

An object of the same class as x

#### References

Dougenik, J. A., Chrisman, N. R., & Niemeyer, D. R. (1985). An Algorithm To Construct Continuous Area Cartograms. In The Professional Geographer, 37(1), 75-81.

#### **Examples**

```
library(maptools)
library(cartogram)
library(rgdal)
data(wrld_simpl)
# Remove uninhabited regions
afr <- spTransform(wrld_simpl[wrld_simpl$REGION==2 & wrld_simpl$POP2005 > 0,],
                    CRS("+init=epsg:3395"))
# Create cartogram
afr_carto <- cartogram_cont(afr, "POP2005", 3)</pre>
# Plot
par(mfcol=c(1,2))
plot(afr, main="original")
plot(afr_carto, main="distorted (sp)")
# Same with sf objects
library(sf)
afr_sf = st_as_sf(afr)
afr_sf_carto <- cartogram_cont(afr_sf, "POP2005", 3)</pre>
# Plot
par(mfcol=c(1,3))
plot(afr, main="original")
plot(afr_carto, main="distorted (sp)")
plot(st_geometry(afr_sf_carto), main="distorted (sf)")
```

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cartogram\_dorling

Calculate Non-Overlapping Circles Cartogram

#### **Description**

Construct a cartogram which represents each geographic region as non-overlapping circles (Dorling 1996).

# Usage

```
cartogram_dorling(x, weight, k = 5, m_weight = 1, itermax = 1000)
## S3 method for class 'sf'
cartogram_dorling(x, weight, k = 5, m_weight = 1, itermax = 1000)
## S3 method for class 'SpatialPolygonsDataFrame'
cartogram_dorling(x, weight, k = 5, m_weight = 1, itermax = 1000)
```

# **Arguments**

x	SpatialPolygonsDataFrame, SpatialPointsDataFrame or an sf object
weight	Name of the weighting variable in x
k	Share of the bounding box of x filled by the larger circle
m_weight	Circles' movements weights. An optional vector of numeric weights (0 to 1 inclusive) to apply to the distance each circle moves during pair-repulsion. A weight of 0 prevents any movement. A weight of 1 gives the default movement distance. A single value can be supplied for uniform weights. A vector with length less than the number of circles will be silently extended by repeating the

final value. Any values outside the range [0, 1] will be clamped to 0 or 1.

itermax Maximum iterations for the cartogram transformation.

#### Value

Non overlaping proportional circles of the same class as x.

#### References

Dorling, D. (1996). Area Cartograms: Their Use and Creation. In Concepts and Techniques in Modern Geography (CATMOG), 59.

# **Examples**

```
library(maptools)
library(cartogram)
library(rgdal)
data(wrld_simpl)
```

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```
# Remove uninhabited regions
afr <- spTransform(wrld_simpl[wrld_simpl$REGION==2 & wrld_simpl$POP2005 > 0,],
                   CRS("+init=epsg:3395"))
# Create cartogram
afr_carto <- cartogram_dorling(afr, "POP2005")</pre>
# Plot
par(mfcol=c(1,2))
plot(afr, main="original")
plot(afr, main="distorted (sp)")
plot(afr_carto, col = "red", add=TRUE)
# Same with sf objects
library(sf)
afr_sf = st_as_sf(afr)
afr_sf_carto <- cartogram_dorling(afr_sf, "POP2005")</pre>
# Plot
par(mfcol=c(1,3))
plot(afr, main="original")
plot(afr_carto, main="distorted (sp)")
plot(st_geometry(afr_sf_carto), main="distorted (sf)")
```

cartogram\_ncont

Calculate Non-Contiguous Cartogram Boundaries

# **Description**

Construct a non-contiguous area cartogram (Olson 1976).

# Usage

```
cartogram_ncont(x, weight, k = 1, inplace = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'SpatialPolygonsDataFrame'
cartogram_ncont(x, weight, k = 1, inplace = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'sf'
cartogram_ncont(x, weight, k = 1, inplace = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

x SpatialPolygonDataFrame or an sf object
weight Name of the weighting variable in x

k Factor expansion for the unit with the greater value

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inplace

If TRUE, each polygon is modified in its original place, if FALSE multi-polygons are centered on their initial centroid

# Value

An object of the same class as x with resized polygon boundaries

#### References

Olson, J. M. (1976). Noncontiguous Area Cartograms. In The Professional Geographer, 28(4), 371-380.

#### **Examples**

```
library(maptools)
library(cartogram)
library(rgdal)
data(wrld_simpl)
# Remove uninhabited regions
afr <- spTransform(wrld_simpl[wrld_simpl$REGION==2 & wrld_simpl$POP2005 > 0,],
                   CRS("+init=epsg:3395"))
# Create cartogram
afr_nc <- cartogram_ncont(afr, "POP2005")</pre>
# Plot
plot(afr)
plot(afr_nc, add = TRUE, col = 'red')
# Same with sf objects
library(sf)
afr_sf = st_as_sf(afr)
afr_sf_nc <- cartogram_ncont(afr_sf, "POP2005")</pre>
plot(st_geometry(afr_sf))
plot(st_geometry(afr_sf_nc), add = TRUE, col = 'red')
```

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