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### Description

Calculates the chi maps for one rasterStack or all raster all the raster pairs stored in two rasterStacks. As observed values, the first stack is used. The expected value is either set to the mean of the first stack, or if given to be the values of the second stack.

```
chiMaps(stack1, stack2 = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

stack1 rasterStack

stack2 rasterStack NULL or containing the same number of rasterLayers and has

euqal extent and resolution.

#### Value

A rasterStack containing the chi maps.

### **Examples**

```
chiMaps(stack1, stack2)
```

dem

Example digital elevation model (DEM)

### **Description**

This is data to be included in the package and can be used to test its functionality. The dem data is a RasterLayer and has a resolution of 90 meters. It is the topography of the Swiss midlands. The complete dataset can be downloaded directly from www.cgiar-csi.org.

#### References

```
http://www.cgiar-csi.org/data/srtm-90m-digital-elevation-database-v4-1
```

dem2track.extent

Crops the DEM to the extent of the track with a buffer

### **Description**

Crops the DEM to the extent of the track with a buffer

### Usage

```
dem2track.extent(DEM, track, buffer = 100)
```

### **Arguments**

DEM a raster containing a digital elevation model, covering the extent as the track

track data.frame with x,y,z coordinates of the original track

buffer buffer with, by default set to 100

### Value

A the cropped digital elevation model as a raster layer.

```
dem2track.extent(DEM, track)
```

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dist2point.3d

Distance of each track point to a given point

### Description

Distance of each track point to a given point

### Usage

```
dist2point.3d(track, point, groundDistance = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

track a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame

point a vector with x, y or x, y, z coordinates

groundDistance logical: calculate only ground distance in x-y plane?

### Value

Returns the distance of each track point to the point.

### **Examples**

```
dist3point.3d(track, point)
```

dist2target.3d

Distance to target

### Description

Calculates the distance between every point in the track and the last point (target).

### Usage

```
dist2target.3d(track)
```

### Arguments

track

a track data.frame containing x, y and z coordinates

### Value

A numeric vector with the distances to target

```
dist2target.3d(track)
```

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filter.dead.ends

Function to filter out tracks that have found a dead end (=NULL)

#### **Description**

Function to filter out tracks that have found a dead end (=NULL)

### Usage

```
filter.dead.ends(cerwList)
```

### **Arguments**

cerwList

list of data.frames and NULL entries

#### Value

A list that is only containing valid tracks.

#### **Examples**

```
filter.dead.ends(cerwList)
```

get.densities.3d

Extract tldCube and autodifferences functions

### **Description**

Creates a list consisting of the 3 dimensional probability distribution cube for turning angle, lift angle and step length (turnLiftStepHist) as well as the uni-dimensional distributions of the differences of the turn angles, lift angles and step lengths with a lag of 1 to maintain minimal level of autocorrelation in each of the terms. Additionally also the distribution of the flight height over the ellipsoid (absolute) and the distribution of flight height over the topography (relative) can be included.

### Usage

```
get.densities.3d(turnAngle, liftAngle, stepLength, deltaLift, deltaTurn,
  deltaStep, gradientAngle = NULL, heightEllipsoid = NULL,
  heightTopo = NULL, maxBin = 25)
```

### Arguments

```
turn angles of the track (t)

liftAngle lift angles of the track (l)

stepLength stepLength of the track (d)

deltaLift auto differences of the turn angles (diff(t))

deltaTurn auto differences of the lift angles (diff(l))

deltaStep auto differences of the step length (diff(d))
```

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gradientAngle NULL or the gardient angles of the track
heightEllipsoid

flight height over the ellipsoid (absolute) or NULL to exclude this distribution

heightTopo flight height over the topography (relative) or NULL to exclude this distribution

maxBin numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube (turn-

LiftStepHist)

#### Value

A list containing the tldCube and the autodifferences functions (and additionally the flight height distribution functions)

### Examples

```
get.densities.3d(track, heightDist = TRUE)
```

get.glideRatio.3d

Glide ratio

### **Description**

Calculates the ratio between horizontal movement and vertical movement. The value expresses the distance covered forward movement per distance movement in sinking.

### Usage

```
get.glideRatio.3d(track)
```

### **Arguments**

track

a track data.frame containing x, y and z coordinates of a gliding section

### Value

The ratio between horizontal and vertical movement.

```
get.glideRatio.3d(track)
```

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```
get.section.densities.3d
```

Extract tldCube and autodifferences functions from track sections

#### **Description**

Creates a list consisting of the 3 dimensional probability distribution cube for turning angle, lift angle and step length (turnLiftStepHist) as well as the uni-dimensional distributions of the differences of the turning angles, lift angles and step lengths with a lag of 1 to maintain minimal level of autocorrelation in each of the terms.

#### Usage

```
get.section.densities.3d(trackSections, gradientDensity = TRUE,
heightDistEllipsoid = TRUE, DEM = NULL, maxBin = 25)
```

### **Arguments**

trackSections list of track sections got by the track.split.3d function

gradientDensity

logical: Should a distribution of the gradient angle be extracted and later used

in the simulations?

height Dist Ellipsoid

logical: Should a distribution of the flight height over ellipsoid be extracted and

later used in the sim.cond.3d()?

DEM a raster containing a digital elevation model, covering the same extent as the

track sections

maxBin numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube (turn-

LiftStepHist)

#### Value

A list containing the tldCube and the autodifferences functions (and additionally the height distribution function)

### **Examples**

```
get.section.densities.3d(trackSections)
```

```
get.track.densities.3d
```

Extract tldCube and autodifferences functions from a consistent track

### **Description**

Get densities creates a list consisting of the 3 dimensional probability distribution cube for turning angle, lift angle and step length (turnLiftStepHist) as well as the uni-dimensional distributions of the differences of the turning angles, lift angles and step lengths with a lag of 1 to maintain minimal level of autocorrelation in each of the terms.

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#### Usage

```
get.track.densities.3d(track, gradientDensity = TRUE,
heightDistEllipsoid = TRUE, DEM = NULL, maxBin = 25)
```

### **Arguments**

track a data.frame with 3 columns containing the x,y,z coordinates

gradientDensity

logical: Should a distribution of the gradient angle be extracted and later used

in the simulations?

heightDistEllipsoid

logical: Should a distribution of the flight height over ellipsoid be extracted and

later used in the sim.cond.3d()?

DEM a raster containing a digital elevation model, covering the same extent as the

track

maxBin numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube (turn-

LiftStepHist)

#### Value

A list containing the tldCube and the autodifferences functions (and additionally the height distribution function)

#### Note

The time between the acquisition of fix points of the track must be constant, otherwise this leads to distorted statistic distributions, which increases the probability of dead ends. In this case please check track.split.3d and get.section.densities.3d

### **Examples**

```
get.track.densities.3d(track, heightDist = TRUE)
```

### Description

Tests if the object is a simple feature collection (class: 'sf, data.frame')

#### Usage

```
is.sf.3d(track)
```

### Arguments

track any object to test

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#### Value

A logical: TRUE if is a simple feature collection (class: 'sf, data.frame') of the sf package, FALSE otherwise.

### **Examples**

```
is.sf.3d(track)
```

lift2target.3d

Lift angle to target

### **Description**

Calculates the lift angle between every point in the track and the last point (target).

### Usage

```
lift2target.3d(track)
```

### **Arguments**

track

a track data.frame containing x, y and z coordinates

### Value

A numeric vector with the lift angles to target

### **Examples**

```
lift2target.3d(track)
```

 ${\it moving} {\it Median}$ 

Moving median in one dimension

### **Description**

Applies a twosided moving median window on a vector, where the window paramter is the total size of the window. The value in the window middle is the index where the median of the window is written. Therefore the window size has to be an uneven number. The border region of the vetor is filled with a one-sided median. There might be border effects.

### Usage

```
movingMedian(data, window)
```

### **Arguments**

data numeric vector

window uneven number for the size of the moving window

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#### Value

A numeric vector.

### **Examples**

```
movingMedian(data, window = 5)
```

n.sim.cond.3d

Conditioned Empirical Random Walks (CERW) in 3D

### **Description**

Creates n conditioned empirical random walks, with a specific starting and ending point, geometrically similar to the initial trajectory by applying sim.cond.3d multiple times.

### Usage

```
n.sim.cond.3d(n.sim, n.locs, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, densities, qProbs, error = FALSE, multicore = FALSE, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

n.sim	number of CERWs to simulate
n.locs	length of the trajectory in locations
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
densitie	s list object returned by the get.densities.3d function
qProbs	list object returned by the qProb.3d function
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
multicor	e logical: run computations in parallel (n-1 cores)?
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps

#### Value

A list containing the CERWs or NULLs if dead ends have been encountered.

```
\label{eq:n.sim.cond.3d} n.sim. cond.3d (n.sim, n.locs, start = c(0,0,0), end=start, a0, g0, densities, qProbs)
```

n.sim.cond.modes.3d

n.sim.cond.modes.3d	Multiple Conditioned Empirical Random Walks (CERW) with modes
	in 3D

### Description

Creates n conditioned empirical random walks using different modes, with a specific starting and ending point, geometrically similar to the initial trajectory by applying sim.cond.modes.3d multiple times.

### Usage

```
n.sim.cond.modes.3d(n.sim, locsVec, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, dList, qList, glideRatio = 20, error = FALSE, multicore = FALSE, MODE, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

n.sim	number of CERWs to simulate
locsVec	length of the trajectory in locations
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
multicore	logical: run computations in parallel (n-1 cores)?
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps
densities	list object returned by get.densities.3d() function
qProbs	list object returned by qProb.3d() function

### Value

A list containing the CERWs or NULLs if dead ends have been encountered.

```
n.sim.cond.modes.3d(n.sim, locsVec, start = c(0,0,0), end=start, a0, g0, dList, qList, MODE)
```

```
n.sim.glidingSoaring.3d
```

Simulates multiple 'gliding & soaring' tracks with a given number of gliding steps

### Description

Creates conditioned empirical random walks in gliding mode, between a start and end point. The walk is performed on a MODE layer and, if provided, additionally on a background and digital elevation layer. The gliding is simulated with sim.cond.3d and soaring with sim.uncond.3d, therefore soaring is not restricted towards the target and can happen completly free as long as there are good thermal conditions. It is important to extract for every mode in the MODE raster layer a corresponding densities object with get.densities.3d and pass them to the function.

### Usage

```
n.sim.glidingSoaring.3d(n.sim = 1, multicore = FALSE, MODE, dGliding, dSoaring, qGliding, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, error = TRUE, smoothTransition = TRUE, glideRatio = 20, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

### Arguments

MODE	raster layer containing the number/index of the mode, which should be used at each location
dGliding	density object returned by the get.densities.3d function for gliding mode
dSoaring	density object returned by the get.densities.3d function for soaring mode
qGliding	the Q probabilites for the steps in gliding mode (qProb.3d)
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
glideRatio	ratio between vertical and horizontal movement, by default set to 15 meters forward movement per meter vertical movement
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps

### Value

A list containing 'soaring-gliding' trajectories or NULLs if dead ends have been encountered.

#### Note

The MODE raster layer must be in the following structure: Gliding pixels have the value 1 and soaring pixel the values 2. NA's are not allowed in the raster.

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#### **Examples**

```
n.sim.glidingSoaring.3d(locsVec, start = c(0,0,0), end=start, a0, g0, dList, qList, MODE)
```

niclas

Example track data.frame

### **Description**

This is data to be included in the package and can be used to test its functionality. The track consists of x, y and z coordinates and represents the movement of a stork called niclas in the Swiss midlands.

#### References

https://www.movebank.org

plot2d

Plot function to plot the 3-D tracks in 2-D plane

### Description

Plot function to plot the 3-D tracks in 2-D plane

### Usage

```
plot2d(origTrack, simTrack = NULL, titleText = character(1), DEM = NULL,
    BG = NULL, padding = 0.1, alpha = 0.7, resolution = 500)
```

### **Arguments**

origTrack a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame simTrack a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame titleText string with title of the plot

DEM an object of type RasterLayer, needs overlapping extent with the line(s)

BG an object of type RasterLayer, needs overlapping extent with the line(s)

padding adds a pad to the 2-D space in percentage (by default set to 0.1)

alpha a number between 0 and 1, to specify the transparency of the simulated line(s) resolution number of pixels the rasters are downsampled to (by default set to 500 pixels)

### Value

A ggplot2 object.

```
plot3d(track)
```

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plot3d	Plot track(s) with a surface of a digital elevation model in three dimensions

### **Description**

Plot track(s) with a surface of a digital elevation model in three dimensions

### Usage

```
plot3d(origTrack, simTrack = NULL, titleText = character(1), DEM = NULL,
    padding = 0.1, timesHeight = 10)
```

### **Arguments**

origTrack a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame simTrack a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame

titleText string with title of the plot

DEM an object of type RasterLayer, needs overlapping extent with the line(s)

padding adds a pad to the 2-D space in percentage (by default set to 0.1)

timesHeight multiply the height scale by a scalar (by default set to 10)

### Value

Plots a plotly object

### **Examples**

```
plot3d(track)
```

plot3d.densities

Density plots of turn angle, lift angle and step length

### **Description**

The function takes either one track or two tracks. The second track can be a list of tracks (eg. the output of n.sim.cons.3d), Then the densities of turn angle, lift angle and step length of all the simulations is taken. Additionally the autodifferences parameter can be set to true, then the densities of the autodifferences in turn angle, lift angle and step length are visualized.

```
plot3d.densities(track1, track2 = NULL, autodifferences = FALSE,
    scaleDensities = FALSE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

track1 a list containing a data.frame with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame track2 a list containing a data.frame with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame

autodifferences

logical: should the densities of the autodifferences in turn angle, lift angle and

step length are visualized.

scaleDensities logical: should densities be scaled between 0 and 1, then sum of the area under

the curve is not 1 anymore!

### Value

A ggplot2 object.

### **Examples**

```
plot3d.densities(track)
```

plot3d.multiplot

Multiple plot function for ggplot objects

#### **Description**

If the layout is something like matrix(c(1,2,3,3), nrow=2, byrow=TRUE), then plot 1 will go in the upper left, 2 will go in the upper right, and 3 will go all the way across the bottom.

### Usage

```
plot3d.multiplot(..., plotlist = NULL, cols = 1, layout = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

... ggplot objects

plotlist a list of ggplot objects

cols number of columns in layout

layout a matrix specifying the layout. If present, cols is ignored.

#### Value

Nothing, plots the ggplot2 objects.

```
plot3d.multiplot(p1, p2, p3)
```

plotRaster

plot3d.tldCube

Visualize turn-lift-step histogram

### **Description**

Creates a three dimensional scatterplot of the possibles next steps, based on the tldCube, which was extracted from a track.

### Usage

```
plot3d.tldCube(tldCube)
```

### Arguments

tldCube

tldCube; the ouptut from turnLiftStepHist or get.densities.3d

### Value

Plots a plotly object

### **Examples**

```
plot3d.tldCube(D$tldCube)
```

plotRaster

Plots a rasterLayer or rasterStack

### **Description**

Plots a rasterLayer or rasterStack

### Usage

```
plotRaster(r, title = character(0), centerColorBar = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

```
r rasterLayer or rasterStack
```

 $\mbox{title text of plot(s)}$ 

centerColorBar logical: center colobar around 0 and use RdBuTheme()?

#### Value

Plots the rasters

```
plotRaster(r)
```

qProb.3d

### Description

Calculates the Q probability, representing the pull to the target. The number of steps on which the Q prob will be quantified is number of total segments less than one (the last step is defined by the target itself).

### Usage

```
qProb.3d(sim, n.locs, multicore = FALSE, maxBin = 25)
```

### **Arguments**

sim	the result of $sim.uncond.3d$ , or a data frame with at least x,y,z-coordinates, the arrival azimuth and the arrival gradient.
n.locs	number of total segments to be modeled, the length of the desired conditioned empirical random walk
multicore	logical: run computations in parallel (n-1 cores)?
maxBin	numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube (turn-LiftStepHist)

### Value

A list containing the Q - tldCubes for every step

### **Examples**

```
qProb.3d(sim, n.locs)
```

reproduce.track.3d

Reproduce a track with the eRTG3D

### **Description**

Simulates n tracks with the geometrical properties of the original track, between the same start and end point.

```
reproduce.track.3d(track, n.sim = 1, multicore = FALSE, error = TRUE,
    DEM = NULL, BG = NULL, filterDeadEnds = TRUE, plot2d = FALSE,
    plot3d = FALSE, maxBin = 25, gradientDensity = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

track data.frame with x,y,z coordinates of the original track

n.sim number of simulations that should be done multicore logical: run calculations on multiple cores?

error logical: add error term to movement in simulation?

DEM a raster containing a digital elevation model, covering the same extent as the

rack

BG a raster influencing the probabilities.
plot2d logical: plot tracks on 2d plane?
plot3d logical: plot tracks in 3D?

maxBin numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube (turn-

LiftStepHist)

gradientDensity

logical: Should a distribution of the gradient angle be extracted and used in the

simulations (get.densities.3d)?

filterDeadEnds:

logical: remove tracks (='NULL') that ended in a dead end?

#### Value

A list or data.frame containing the simulated track(s) (CERW).

### **Examples**

```
reproduce.track.3d(track)
```

sf2df.3d

Converts a sf data.frame to a normal dataframe

#### **Description**

Converts a sf data.frame to a normal dataframe

#### Usage

```
sf2df.3d(track)
```

### Arguments

track An object of type 'sf, data.frame'

#### Value

A data.frame.

### **Examples**

sf2df.3d(df)

sim.cond.3d

### Description

Creates a conditioned empirical random walk, with a specific starting and ending point, geometrically similar to the initial trajectory (extractMethod: raster overlay method can take "simple" or "bilinear")

### Usage

```
sim.cond.3d(n.locs, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, densities, qProbs, error = FALSE, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

n.locs	length of the trajectory in locations
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
densities	list object returned by the get.densities.3d function
qProbs	list object returned by the qProb.3d function
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps

### Value

A trajectory in the form of data.frame

```
sim.cond.3d(n.locs, start, end=start, a0, g0, densities, qProbs)
```

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sim.cond.modes.3d	Conditioned Empirical Random Walk (CERW) in 3D with different movement modes

### Description

Creates a conditioned empirical random walk, with a specific starting and ending point, geometrically similar to the initial trajectory, by using different modes of movement. It is important to extract for every mode in the MODE raster layer a corresponding D object get.densities.3d and the Q probabilities qProb.3d. The number of steps has to be the same for every mode that is used.

### Usage

```
sim.cond.modes.3d(locsVec, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, dList, qList, error = FALSE, glideRatio = 20, MODE, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

locsVec	vector of maximum lengths of modes
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
dList	list of list objects returned by the get.densities.3d function, one for each MODE
qList	list of lists with objects returned by the qProb.3d function, one for each MODE
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
MODE	raster layer containing the number/index of the mode, which should be used at each location
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps

#### Value

A trajectory in the form of data.frame

```
sim.cond.modes.3d(locsVec, start = c(0,0,0), end=start, a0, g0, dList, qList, MODE)
```

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Simulation of a three dimensional Correlated Random Walk

#### **Description**

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### Usage

```
sim.crw.3d(nStep, rTurn, rLift, meanStep, start = c(0, 0, 0))
```

### **Arguments**

nStep the number of steps of the simulated trajectory

rTurn the correlation on the turn angle rLift the correlation of the lift angle

meanStep the mean step length

start a vector of length 3 containing the coordinates of the start point of the trajectory

#### Value

A trajectory in the form of data.frame

### **Examples**

```
sim.crw.3d(nStep, rTurn, rLift, meanStep, start = c(0,0,0))
```

sim.glidingSoaring.3d Simulates 'gliding & soaring' track with a given number of gliding steps

### Description

Creates a conditioned empirical random walk in gliding mode, between a start and end point. The walk is performed on a MODE layer and, if provided, additionally on a background and digital elevation layer. The gliding is simulated with sim.cond.3d and soaring with sim.uncond.3d, therefore soaring is not restricted towards the target and can happen completly free as long as there are good thermal conditions. It is important to extract for every mode in the MODE raster layer a corresponding densities object with get.densities.3d and pass them to the function.

```
sim.glidingSoaring.3d(MODE, dGliding, dSoaring, qGliding, start = c(0, 0, 0), end = start, a0, g0, error = TRUE, smoothTransition = TRUE, glideRatio = 15, DEM = NULL, BG = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

MODE	raster layer containing the number/index of the mode, which should be used at each location
dGliding	density object returned by the get.densities.3d function for gliding mode
dSoaring	density object returned by the get.densities.3d function for soaring mode
qGliding	the Q probabilites for the steps in gliding mode (qProb.3d)
start	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the start point
end	numeric vector of length 3 with the coordinates of the end point
a0	initial incoming heading in radian
g0	initial incoming gradient/polar angle in radian
error	logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account for errors measurements?
glideRatio	ratio between vertical and horizontal movement, by default set to 15 meters forward movement per meter vertical movement
DEM	raster layer containing a digital elevation model, covering the area between start and end point
BG	a background raster layer that can be used to inform the choice of steps

#### Value

A 'soaring-gliding' trajectory in the form of data.frame

#### Note

The MODE raster layer must be in the following structure: Gliding pixels have the value 1 and soaring pixel the values 2. NA's are not allowed in the raster.

#### **Examples**

```
sim.glidingSoaring.3d(locsVec, start = c(0,0,0), end=start, a0, g0, dList, qList, MODE)
```

sim.uncond.3d Uncontidioned Empirical Random Walk (UERW) in 3D

### Description

This function creates unconditional walks with prescribed empirical properties (turning angle, lift angle and step length and the auto-differences of them. It can be used for uncon- ditional walks or to seed the conditional walks with comparably long simulations. The conditional walk connecting a given start with a certain end point by a given number of steps needs an attraction term (the Q probability, see qProb.3d) to ensure that the target is approached and hit. In order to calculate the Q probability for each step the distribution of turns and lifts to target and the distribution of distance to target has to be known. They can be derived from the empirical data (ideally), or estimated from an unconditional process with the same properties. Creates a unconditioned empirical random walk, with a specific starting point, geometrically similar to the initial trajectory.

```
sim.uncond.3d(n.locs, start = c(0, 0, 0), a0, g0, densities, error = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

n.locs the number of locations for the simulated track start vector indicating the start point c(x,y,z)

a0 initial heading in radian

g0 initial gradient/polar angle in radian

densities list object returned by the get.densities.3d function

error logical: add random noise to the turn angle, lift angle and step length to account

for errors measurements?

#### Value

A 3 dimensional trajectory in the form of a data.frame

#### Note

Simulations connecting start and end points with more steps than 1/10th or more of the number of steps of the empirical data should rather rely on simulated unconditional walks with the same properties than on the empirical data (factor = 1500).

### Random initial heading

For a random initial heading a0 use: sample(atan2(diff(coordinates(track)[,2]), diff(coordinates(track)[

#### **Examples**

```
sim.uncond.3d(n.locs, start=c(0,0,0), a0, g0, densities)
```

test.eRTG.3d Test the functionality of the eRTG3D

#### **Description**

The test simulates a CRW with given parameters and reconstructs it by using the eRTG3D

#### Usage

```
test.eRTG.3d(multicore = FALSE, returnResult = FALSE, plot2d = FALSE,
plot3d = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

multicore logical: test with multicore?
returnResult logical: return tracks generated?
plot2d logical: plot tracks on 2d plane?
plot3d logical: plot tracks in 3D?

#### Value

A list containing the original CRW and the simulated track (CERW).

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#### **Examples**

```
test.eRTG3D.3d()
```

test.verification.3d Statistical Verification of the simulated track

#### **Description**

Uses two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test or the one-sample t-test to compare the geometric characteristics of the original track with the characteristics of the simulated track.

#### Usage

```
test.verification.3d(track1, track2, alpha = 0.05, plot = FALSE,
  test = "ks")
```

#### **Arguments**

track1	data.frame or list of data.frames with x,y,z coordinates of the original track
track2	data.frame or list of data.frames with x,y,z coordinates of the simulated track
alpha	scalar: significance level, default alpha = 0.05
plot	logical: plot the densities or differences of turn angle, lift angle and step length of the two tracks?
test	character: either "ks" or "ttest" to choose the kind of test procedure.

#### Value

Test objects of the 6 two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test conducted.

### Note

By choosing test = "ttest" a random sample, without replacement is taken from the longer track, to shorten it to the length of the longer track. The order of the shorter track is also sampled randomly. Then the two randomly ordered vectors of turn angles, lift angles and step lengths are substracted from each other. If the both tracks stem from the same distributions the the mean deviatio should tend to towards zero, therefore the difference is testet two-sided against mu = 0 with a one-sample t-test.

By setting test = "ks" a two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test is carried out on the distributions of turn angles, lift angles and step lengths of the two tracks.

```
test.verification.3d(track1, track2)
```

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Extent of track(s)

### **Description**

Extent of track(s)

### Usage

```
track.extent(track, zAxis = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

track a list containing data.frames with x,y,z coordinates or a data.frame

zAxis logical: return also the extent of the Z axis?

#### Value

Returns an extent object of the raster package in the 2–D case and a vector in the 3–D case.

### **Examples**

```
track.extent(track, zAxis = TRUE)
```

track.properties.3d Track properties of a 3D track

### **Description**

Returns the properties (distances, azimuth, polar angle, turn angle & lift angle) of a track in three dimensions.

### Usage

```
track.properties.3d(track)
```

### Arguments

track

data.frame with x,y,z coordinates

#### Value

The data.frame with track properties

```
track.properties.3d(track)
```

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track.split.3d

This function splits the by outliers in the time lag.

### Description

The length of timeLag must be the track's length minus 1 and represents the time passed between the fix point acquisition

#### Usage

```
track.split.3d(track, timeLag, lag = NULL, tolerance = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

track data.frame with x, y and z coordinates

timeLag a numeric vector with the time passed between the fix point acquisition

lag NULL or a manually chosen lag tolerance NULL or a manually chosen tolerance

#### Value

A list containing the splitted tracks.

### **Examples**

```
track.split.3d(track, timeLag)
```

track2sf.3d

Converts a track to a 'sf, data.frame'

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```

#### Usage

```
track2sf.3d(track, CRS = NA)
```

### Arguments

track eRTG3D track data.frame or a matrix
CRS string containing the proj4 code of the CRS

### Value

```
A track of type 'sf, data.frame'.
```

```
track2sf.3d(track, "+proj=longlat +ellps=WGS84 +datum=WGS84 +no_defs")
```

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transformCRS.3d

Transform coordinates reference system of a 3D track

### **Description**

Attention: Please use this function for CRS transformations, because it is based on the st\_transform from the sf package. Therefore is supports CRS transformations in 3D. Note: spTransform from the sp package only supports transformations in the 2D plane, which will cause distortions in the third dimension.

### Usage

```
transformCRS.3d(track, fromCRS, toCRS)
```

### Arguments

track data.frame with x,y,z coordinates fromCRS string: proj4 of current CRS

toCRS string: proj4 of CRS to be converted in

### Value

A data.frame containing x,y,z and variables.

### **Examples**

```
transformCRS.3d(track, fromCRS="+init=epsg:4326", toCRS="+init=epsg:2056")
```

turn2target.3d

Turn angle to target

### Description

Calculates the turn angle between every point in the track and the last point (target).

### Usage

```
turn2target.3d(track)
```

### **Arguments**

track

a track data.frame containing x, y and z coordinates

### Value

A numeric vector with the turn angles to target

```
turn2target.3d(track)
```

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### **Description**

Derives a 3 dimensional distribution of a turn angle, lift angle and step length, using the Freedman–Diaconis rule for estimating the number of bins.

#### Usage

```
turnLiftStepHist(turn, lift, step, printDims = TRUE, rm.zeros = TRUE,
  maxBin = 25)
```

### **Arguments**

turn	numeric vector of turn angles
lift	numeric vector of lift angles
step	numeric vector of step lengths

printDims logical: should dimensions of tld-Cube be messaged?

rm. zeros logical: should combinations with zero probability be removed?

maxBin numeric scalar, maximum number of bins per dimension of the tld-cube.

### Value

A 3 dimensional histogram as data.frame

#### **Examples**

```
turnLiftStepHist(turn, lift, step)
```

voxelCount

Apply voxel counting on a point cloud

### **Description**

A rasterStack object is created, representing the 3–D voxel cube. The z axis is sliced into regular sections between the maximum and minimum value. For every height slice a raster with points per cell counts is created. Additionally the voxels can be standartized between 0 and 1.

```
voxelCount(points, extent, xyRes, zRes = xyRes, zMin, zMax,
   standartize = FALSE)
```

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### Arguments

points a x, y, z data.frame

extent a raster extent object of the extent to create the rasters

xyRes resolution in the ground plane of the created rasters

zRes resolution in the z axis (by default zRes = xyRes)

zMin minimum z value zMax maximum height value

standartize logical: standartize the values?

### Value

A rasterStack object, representing the 3–D voxel cube.

```
voxelCount(points, extent, xyRes, zRes = xyRes, zMin, zMax, standartize = FALSE)
```

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