

# Package: hddtools (via r-universe)

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**Description** Tools to discover hydrological data, accessing catalogues and databases from various data providers. The package is described in Vitolo (2017) ``hddtools: Hydrological Data Discovery Tools" <[doi:10.21105/joss.00056](https://doi.org/10.21105/joss.00056)>.

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bboxSpatialPolygon	<i>Convert a bounding box to a SpatialPolygons object Bounding box is first created (in lat/lon) then projected if specified</i>
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### Description

Convert a bounding box to a SpatialPolygons object Bounding box is first created (in lat/lon) then projected if specified

### Usage

```
bboxSpatialPolygon(boundingBox, proj4stringFrom = NULL, proj4stringTo = NULL)
```

### Arguments

boundingbox	Bounding box: a 2x2 numerical matrix of lat/lon coordinates
proj4stringFrom	Projection string for the current boundingbox coordinates (defaults to lat/lon, WGS84)
proj4stringTo	Projection string, or NULL to not project

### Value

A SpatialPolygons object of the bounding box

### References

<https://gis.stackexchange.com/questions/46954/clip-spatial-object-to-bounding-box-in-r>

### Examples

```
## Not run:
boundingbox <- terra::ext(-180, +180, -50, +50)
bbSP <- bboxSpatialPolygon(boundingBox = boundingbox)

## End(Not run)
```

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catalogueData60UK      *Data source: Data60UK catalogue*

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### Description

This function interfaces the Data60UK database catalogue listing 61 gauging stations.

### Usage

```
catalogueData60UK(areaBox = NULL)
```

### Arguments

**areaBox**            bounding box, a list made of 4 elements: minimum longitude (lonMin), minimum latitude (latMin), maximum longitude (lonMax), maximum latitude (latMax) or an object of type "SpatExtent"

### Value

This function returns a data frame containing the following columns:

**id**    Station id number.  
**River**    String describing the river's name.  
**Location**    String describing the location.  
**gridReference**    British National Grid Reference.  
**Latitude**  
**Longitude**

### Author(s)

Claudia Vitolo

### Source

<http://nrfaapps.ceh.ac.uk/datauk60/data.html>

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Retrieve the whole catalogue  
Data60UK_catalogue_all <- catalogueData60UK()  
  
# Filter the catalogue based on a bounding box  
areaBox <- terra::ext(-4, -2, +52, +53)  
Data60UK_catalogue_bbox <- catalogueData60UK(areaBox)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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`catalogueGRDC`*Data source: Global Runoff Data Centre catalogue*

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**Description**

This function interfaces the Global Runoff Data Centre database which provides river discharge data for almost 1000 sites over 157 countries.

**Usage**

```
catalogueGRDC()
```

**Value**

This function returns a data frame made with the following columns:

- `grdc_no`: GRDC station number
- `wmo_reg`: WMO region
- `sub_reg`: WMO subregion
- `river`: river name
- `station`: station name
- `country`: 2-letter country code (ISO 3166)
- `lat`: latitude, decimal degree
- `long`: longitude, decimal degree
- `area`: catchment size, km<sup>2</sup>
- `altitude`: height of gauge zero, m above sea level
- `d_start`: daily data available from year
- `d_end`: daily data available until year
- `d_yrs`: length of time series, daily data
- `d_miss`: percentage of missing values (daily data)
- `m_start`: monthly data available from
- `m_end`: monthly data available until
- `m_yrs`: length of time series, monthly data
- `m_miss`: percentage of missing values (monthly data)
- `t_start`: earliest data available
- `t_end`: latest data available
- `t_yrs`: maximum length of time series, daily and monthly data
- `lta_discharge`: mean annual streamflow, m<sup>3</sup>/s
- `r_volume_yr`: mean annual volume, km<sup>3</sup>
- `r_height_yr`: mean annual runoff depth, mm

**Author(s)**

Claudia Vitolo

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Retrieve the catalogue
GRDC_catalogue_all <- catalogueGRDC()

## End(Not run)
```

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catalogueMOPEX

*Data source: MOPEX catalogue*


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**Description**

This function retrieves the list of the MOPEX basins.

**Usage**

```
catalogueMOPEX(MAP = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

MAP	Boolean, TRUE by default. If FALSE it returns a list of the USGS station ID's and the gage locations of all 1861 potential MOPEX basins. If TRUE, it return a list of the USGS station ID's and the gage locations of the 438 MOPEX basins with MAP estimates.
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**Value**

This function returns a data frame containing the following columns:

USGS_ID	Station id number
Longitude	Decimal degrees East
Latitude	Decimal degrees North
Drainage_Area	Square Miles
R_gauges	Required number of precipitation gages to meet MAP accuracy criteria
N_gauges	Number of gages in total gage window used to estimate MAP
A_gauges	Available number of gages in the basin
Ratio_AR	Ratio of Available to Required number of gages in the basin
Date_start	Date when recordings start
Date_end	Date when recordings end
State	State of the basin

Name Name of the basin

Columns Date\_start, Date\_end, State, Name are taken from: [https://hydrology.nws.noaa.gov/pub/gcip/mopex/US\\_Data/Basin](https://hydrology.nws.noaa.gov/pub/gcip/mopex/US_Data/Basin)  
Date\_start and Date\_end are conventionally set to the first of the month here, however actual recordings may differ. Always refer to the recording date obtained as output of tsmOPEX().

### Author(s)

Claudia Vitolo

### Source

[https://hydrology.nws.noaa.gov/pub/gcip/mopex/US\\_Data/Documentation/](https://hydrology.nws.noaa.gov/pub/gcip/mopex/US_Data/Documentation/)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Retrieve the MOPEX catalogue
catalogue <- catalogueMOPEX()

## End(Not run)
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catalogueSEPA

*Data source: SEPA catalogue*

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### Description

This function provides the official SEPA database catalogue of river level data (from <https://www2.sepa.org.uk/waterlevels/CS>) containing info for hundreds of stations. Some are NRFA stations. The function has no input arguments.

### Usage

```
catalogueSEPA()
```

### Value

This function returns a data frame containing the following columns:

```
SEPA_HYDROLOGY_OFFICE
STATION_NAME
LOCATION_CODE Station id number.
NATIONAL_GRID_REFERENCE
CATCHMENT_NAME
RIVER_NAME
GAUGE_DATUM
```

CATCHMENT\_AREA in Km2  
START\_DATE  
END\_DATE  
SYSTEM\_ID  
LOWEST\_VALUE  
LOW  
MAX\_VALUE  
HIGH  
MAX\_DISPLAY  
MEAN  
UNITS  
WEB\_MESSAGE  
NRFA\_LINK

**Author(s)**

Claudia Vitolo

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
# Retrieve the whole catalogue  
SEPA_catalogue_all <- catalogueSEPA()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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grdcLTMMMD

*Data set: The grdcLTMMMD look-up table*

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**Description**

The grdcLTMMMD look-up table

**Usage**

```
data("grdcLTMMMD")
```

**Format**

A data frame with 6 rows and 4 columns.

WMO\_Region an integer between 1 and 6

Coverage

Number\_of\_stations

Archive url to spreadsheet

## Source

<http://www.bafg.de/GRDC>

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hddtools

*hddtools: Hydrological Data Discovery Tools*

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## Description

Many governmental bodies and institutions are currently committed to publish open data as the result of a trend of increasing transparency, based on which a wide variety of information produced at public expense is now becoming open and freely available to improve public involvement in the process of decision and policy making. Discovery, access and retrieval of information is, however, not always a simple task. Especially when access to data APIs is not allowed, downloading a metadata catalogue, selecting the information needed, requesting datasets, de-compression, conversion, manual filtering and parsing can become rather tedious. The R package `hddtools` is an open source project, designed to make all the above operations more efficient by means of reusable functions.

The package facilitate access to various online data sources such as:

- **KGClimateClass** (<http://koeppen-geiger.vu-wien.ac.at/>): The Koppen Climate Classification map is used for classifying the world's climates based on the annual and monthly averages of temperature and precipitation
- **GRDC** ([http://www.bafg.de/GRDC/EN/Home/homepage\\_node.html](http://www.bafg.de/GRDC/EN/Home/homepage_node.html)): The Global Runoff Data Centre (GRDC) provides datasets for all the major rivers in the world
- **Data60UK** (<http://tdwg.catchment.org/datasets.html>): The Data60UK initiative collated datasets of areal precipitation and streamflow discharge across 61 gauging sites in England and Wales (UK).
- **MOPEX** ([https://www.nws.noaa.gov/ohd/mopex/mo\\_datasets.htm](https://www.nws.noaa.gov/ohd/mopex/mo_datasets.htm)): This dataset contains historical hydrometeorological data and river basin characteristics for hundreds of river basins in the US.
- **SEPA** (<https://www2.sepa.org.uk/WaterLevels/>): The Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) provides river level data for hundreds of gauging stations in the UK.

This package complements R's growing functionality in environmental web technologies by bridging the gap between data providers and data consumers. It is designed to be an initial building block of scientific workflows for linking data and models in a seamless fashion.

## References

Vitolo C, Buytaert W, 2014, HDDTOOLS: an R package serving Hydrological Data Discovery Tools, AGU Fall Meeting, 15-19 December 2014, San Francisco, USA.



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KGClimateClass	<i>Function to identify the updated Koppen-Greiger climate zone (on a 0.1 x 0.1 degrees resolution map).</i>
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### Description

Given a bounding box, the function identifies the overlapping climate zones.

### Usage

```
KGClimateClass(areaBox = NULL, updatedBy = "Peel", verbose = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

areaBox	bounding box, a list made of 4 elements: minimum longitude (lonMin), minimum latitude (latMin), maximum longitude (lonMax), maximum latitude (latMax)
updatedBy	this can either be "Kottek" or "Peel"
verbose	if TRUE more info are printed on the screen

### Value

List of overlapping climate zones.

### Author(s)

Claudia Vitolo

### References

Kottek et al. (2006): <http://koeppen-geiger.vu-wien.ac.at/>. Peel et al. (2007): <https://people.eng.unimelb.edu.au/mpeel/koppen.html>.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Define a bounding box  
areaBox <- terra::ext(-3.82, -3.63, 52.41, 52.52)  
# Get climate classes  
KGClimateClass(areaBox = areaBox)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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`tsData60UK`*Interface for the Data60UK database of Daily Time Series*

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**Description**

This function extract the dataset containing daily rainfall and streamflow discharge at one of the Data60UK locations.

**Usage**

```
tsData60UK(id)
```

**Arguments**

`id` String which identifies the station ID number

**Value**

The function returns a data frame containing 2 time series (as zoo objects): "P" (precipitation) and "Q" (discharge).

**Author(s)**

Claudia Vitolo

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
Morwick <- tsData60UK(id = "22001")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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`tsMOPEX`*Interface for the MOPEX database of Daily Time Series*

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**Description**

This function extract the dataset containing daily rainfall and streamflow discharge at one of the MOPEX locations.

**Usage**

```
tsMOPEX(id, MAP = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

id	String for the station ID number (USGS_ID)
MAP	Boolean, TRUE by default. If FALSE it looks for data through all the 1861 potential MOPEX basins. If TRUE, it looks for data through the 438 MOPEX basins with MAP estimates.

**Value**

If MAP = FALSE, this function returns a time series of daily streamflow discharge (Q, in mm). If MAP = TRUE, this function returns a data frame containing the following columns (as zoo object):

Date Format is "yyyymmdd"

P Mean areal precipitation (mm)

E Climatic potential evaporation (mm, based NOAA Freewater Evaporation Atlas)

Q Daily streamflow discharge (mm)

T\_max Daily maximum air temperature (Celsius)

T\_min Daily minimum air temperature (Celsius)

**Author(s)**

Claudia Vitolo

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
BroadRiver <- tsMOPEX(id = "01048000")

## End(Not run)
```

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tsSEPA

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*Interface for the MOPEX database of Daily Time Series*


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**Description**

This function extract the dataset containing daily rainfall and streamflow discharge at one of the MOPEX locations.

**Usage**

```
tsSEPA(id)
```

**Arguments**

id	hydrometric reference number (string)
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**Value**

The function returns river level data in metres, as a zoo object.

**Author(s)**

Claudia Vitolo

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
sampleTS <- tsSEPA(id = "10048")  
  
## End(Not run)
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