

# Package 'gdalUtilities'

December 15, 2022

**Type** Package

**Title** Wrappers for 'GDAL' Utilities Executables

**Version** 1.2.3

**Date** 2022-12-15

**Author** Joshua O'Brien

**Maintainer** Joshua O'Brien <joshmobrien@gmail.com>

**Description** R's 'sf' package ships with self-contained 'GDAL' executables, including a bare bones interface to several 'GDAL'-related utility programs collectively known as the 'GDAL utilities'. For each of those utilities, this package provides an R wrapper whose formal arguments closely mirror those of the 'GDAL' command line interface. The utilities operate on data stored in files and typically write their output to other files. Therefore, to process data stored in any of R's more common spatial formats (i.e. those supported by the 'sp', 'sf', and 'raster' packages), first write them to disk, then process them with the package's wrapper functions before reading the outputted results back into R. GDAL function arguments introduced in GDAL version 3.5.2 or earlier are supported.

**License** GPL (>= 2)

**URL** <https://github.com/JoshOBrien/gdalUtilities/>

**BugReports** <https://github.com/JoshOBrien/gdalUtilities/issues/>

**Imports** sf (>= 1.0-9)

**Suggests** raster (>= 3.6-3), rasterVis, RColorBrewer, testthat, stars

**RoxygenNote** 7.2.3

**Encoding** UTF-8

**NeedsCompilation** no

**Repository** CRAN

**Date/Publication** 2022-12-15 21:10:02 UTC

## R topics documented:

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| gdalUtilities-package | 2         |
| gdalbuildvrt          | 4         |
| gdaldem               | 5         |
| gdalinfo              | 7         |
| gdalmdiminfo          | 9         |
| gdalmdimtranslate     | 10        |
| gdalUtilities-defunct | 11        |
| gdalwarp              | 12        |
| gdal_grid             | 15        |
| gdal_rasterize        | 17        |
| gdal_translate        | 19        |
| nearblack             | 21        |
| ogr2ogr               | 23        |
| <b>Index</b>          | <b>27</b> |

---

gdalUtilities-package *Wrappers for 'GDAL' Utilities Executables*

---

## Description

R's 'sf' package ships with self-contained 'GDAL' executables, including a bare bones interface to several 'GDAL'-related utility programs collectively known as the 'GDAL utilities'. For each of those utilities, this package provides an R wrapper whose formal arguments closely mirror those of the 'GDAL' command line interface. The utilities operate on data stored in files and typically write their output to other files. Therefore, to process data stored in any of R's more common spatial formats (i.e. those supported by the 'sp', 'sf', and 'raster' packages), first write them to disk, then process them with the package's wrapper functions before reading the outputted results back into R. GDAL function arguments introduced in GDAL version 3.5.2 or earlier are supported.

## Details

The DESCRIPTION file:

```

Package:      gdalUtilities
Type:         Package
Title:        Wrappers for 'GDAL' Utilities Executables
Version:      1.2.3
Date:         2022-12-15
Author:       Joshua O'Brien
Maintainer:   Joshua O'Brien <joshmobrien@gmail.com>
Description:  R's 'sf' package ships with self-contained 'GDAL' executables, including a bare bones interface to several 'C
License:      GPL (>= 2)
URL:          https://github.com/JoshOBrien/gdalUtilities/
BugReports:   https://github.com/JoshOBrien/gdalUtilities/issues/
Imports:      sf (>= 1.0-9)

```

Suggests: raster (>= 3.6-3), rasterVis, RColorBrewer, testthat, stars  
 RoxygenNote: 7.2.3  
 Encoding: UTF-8

#### Index of help topics:

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| gdalUtilities-defunct | Defunct function(s) in the gdalUtilities package |
| gdalUtilities-package | Wrappers for 'GDAL' Utilities Executables        |
| gdal_grid             | Interface to GDAL's gdal_grid utility            |
| gdal_rasterize        | Interface to GDAL's gdal_rasterize utility       |
| gdal_translate        | Interface to GDAL's gdal_translate utility       |
| gdalbuildvrt          | Interface to GDAL's gdalbuildvrt utility         |
| gdaldem               | Interface to GDAL's gdaldem utility              |
| gdalinfo              | Interface to GDAL's gdalinfo utility             |
| gdalmdiminfo          | Interface to GDAL's gdalmdiminfo utility         |
| gdalmdimtranslate     | Interface to GDAL's gdalmdimtranslate utility    |
| gdalwarp              | Interface to GDAL's gdalwarp utility             |
| nearblack             | Interface to GDAL's nearblack utility            |
| ogr2ogr               | Interface to GDAL's ogr2ogr utility              |

This section should provide a more detailed overview of how to use the package, including the most important functions.

#### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

Maintainer: Joshua O'Brien <joshmobrien@gmail.com>

#### References

This optional section can contain literature or other references for background information.

#### See Also

Optional links to other man pages

#### Examples

```
## Optional simple examples of the most important functions
## Use \dontrun{} around code to be shown but not executed
```

---

`gdalbuildvrt`*Interface to GDAL's `gdalbuildvrt` utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdalbuildvrt`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdalbuildvrt.html>.

## Usage

```
gdalbuildvrt(  
    gdalfile,  
    output.vrt,  
    ...,  
    tileindex,  
    resolution,  
    te,  
    tr,  
    tap,  
    separate,  
    b,  
    sd,  
    allow_projection_difference,  
    optim,  
    q,  
    addalpha,  
    hidenodata,  
    srcnodata,  
    vrtnodata,  
    ignore_srcmaskband,  
    a_srs,  
    r,  
    oo,  
    input_file_list,  
    strict,  
    non_strict,  
    overwrite,  
    dryrun = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>gdalfile</code>   | Character vector supplying file paths to one or more input datasets.                |
| <code>output.vrt</code> | Character. Path to output VRT file. Typically, output file will have suffix ".vrt". |

... Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.

tileindex, resolution, te, tr, tap, separate, b, sd  
See the GDAL project's [gdalbuildvrt documentation](#) for details.

allow\_projection\_difference, q, optim, addalpha, hidenodata  
See the GDAL project's [gdalbuildvrt documentation](#) for details.

srcnodata, vrtnodata, ignore\_srcmaskband, a\_srs, r, oo  
See the GDAL project's [gdalbuildvrt documentation](#) for details.

input\_file\_list, strict, non\_strict, overwrite  
See the GDAL project's [gdalbuildvrt documentation](#) for details.

dryrun Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.

**Value**

Silently returns path to output.vrt.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien

**Examples**

```
## Prepare file paths
td <- tempdir()
out_vrt <- file.path(td, "out.vrt")
layer1 <-
  system.file("extdata/tahoe_lidar_bareearth.tif",
             package = "gdalUtilities")
layer2 <-
  system.file("extdata/tahoe_lidar_highesthit.tif",
             package = "gdalUtilities")

## Build VRT and check that it works
gdalbuildvrt(gdalfile = c(layer1, layer2), output.vrt = out_vrt)
gdalinfo(out_vrt)
```

**Description**

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdaldem`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdaldem.html>.

**Usage**

```

gdaldem(
    mode,
    input_dem,
    output_map,
    ...,
    of,
    compute_edges,
    alg,
    b,
    co,
    q,
    z,
    s,
    az,
    alt,
    combined,
    multidirectional,
    igor,
    p,
    trigonometric,
    zero_for_flat,
    color_text_file = character(0),
    alpha,
    exact_color_entry,
    nearest_color_entry,
    dryrun = FALSE
)

```

**Arguments**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| mode   | Character, one of "hillshade", "slope", "color-relief", "TRI", "TPI", "roughness", indicating which of the available processing modes is to be used.                       |
| input_dem  | Path to a GDAL-supported readable DEM datasource.  |
| output_map   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.   |
| ...  | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.   |
| of, compute_edges, alg, b, co, q, z, s, az, alt, combined      | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdaldem documentation</a> for details.  |
| multidirectional, igor, p, trigonometric, zero_for_flat        | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdaldem documentation</a> for details.  |
| color_text_file, alpha, exact_color_entry, nearest_color_entry | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdaldem documentation</a> for details.  |
| dryrun   | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output. |

**Value**

Silently returns path to output\_map.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien

**Examples**

```
## Prepare file paths
td <- tempdir()
in_dem <- system.file("extdata/maunga.tif", package = "gdalUtilities")
out_slope <- file.path(td, "slope.tif")
out_shade <- file.path(td, "shade.tif")
out_aspect <- file.path(td, "aspect.tif")

## Apply DEM processing
gdaldem("slope", in_dem, out_slope)
gdaldem("shade", in_dem, out_shade)
gdaldem("aspect", in_dem, out_aspect)

## View results
if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  if(require(rasterVis)) {
    lp <- function(f) {
      levelplot(raster(f), main = substitute(f),
                margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE)
    }
    plot(lp(in_dem), split = c(1,1,2,2))
    plot(lp(out_slope), split = c(2,1,2,2), newpage = FALSE)
    plot(lp(out_shade), split = c(1,2,2,2), newpage = FALSE)
    plot(lp(out_aspect), split = c(2,2,2,2), newpage = FALSE)
  }
}
```

**Description**

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdalinfo`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdalinfo.html>.

**Usage**

```
gdalinfo(
  datasetname,
  ...,
  json,
  mm,
  stats,
  approx_stats,
  hist,
  nogcp,
  nomd,
  norat,
  noct,
  nofl,
  checksum,
  proj4,
  listmdd,
  mdd,
  wkt_format,
  sd,
  oo,
  IF,
  config,
  dryrun = FALSE,
  quiet = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| datasetname   | Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.  |
| ...   | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.   |
| json, mm, stats, approx_stats, hist, nogcp, nomd, norat, noct       | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalinfo documentation</a> for details.   |
| nofl, checksum, proj4, listmdd, mdd, wkt_format, sd, oo, IF, config | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalinfo documentation</a> for details.   |
| dryrun  | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output. |
| quiet   | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, suppress printing of output to the console.  |

**Value**

Silently returns a character vector containing the information returned by the gdalinfo utility.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien



## Examples

```
ff <- system.file("extdata/maunga.tif", package = "gdalUtilities")
gdalinfo(ff)
```

---

gdalmdiminfo

*Interface to GDAL's gdalmdiminfo utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdalmdiminfo`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdalmdiminfo.html>.

## Usage

```
gdalmdiminfo(  
  datasetname,  
  ...,  
  oo,  
  arrayoption,  
  detailed,  
  nopretty,  
  array,  
  limit,  
  stats,  
  IF,  
  dryrun = FALSE,  
  quiet = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>datasetname</code>  | Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.  |
| <code>...</code>  | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.   |
| <code>oo, arrayoption, detailed, nopretty, array, limit, stats, IF</code> | the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalmdiminfo documentation</a> for details.   |
| <code>dryrun</code>   | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output. |
| <code>quiet</code>  | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, suppress printing of output to the console.  |

## Value

Silently returns a character vector containing the information in JSON format returned by the `gdalmdiminfo` utility.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien

**Examples**

```
ff <- system.file("nc/cropped.nc", package = "sf")
gdalmdiminfo(ff)
```

---

gdalmdimtranslate      *Interface to GDAL's gdalmdimtranslate utility*

---

**Description**

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdalmdimtranslate`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdalmdimtranslate.html>.

**Usage**

```
gdalmdimtranslate(
  src_filename,
  dst_filename,
  ...,
  co,
  IF,
  of,
  array,
  group,
  subset,
  scaleaxes,
  oo,
  dryrun = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>src_filename</code>                                    | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.   |
| <code>dst_filename</code>                                    | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.   |
| <code>...</code>   | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.   |
| <code>co, IF, of, array, group, subset, scaleaxes, oo</code> | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalmdimtranslate documentation</a> for details.  |
| <code>dryrun</code>  | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output. |

**Value**

Silently returns path to `dst_filename`.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien

**Examples**

```
## A simple dataset bundled with the sf package
FF <- system.file("nc/cropped.nc", package = "sf")
td <- tempdir()
out_tiff <- file.path(td, "out.tiff")
gdalinfo(FF)
gdalmdimtranslate(FF, out_tiff, array = "sst")
gdalinfo(out_tiff)

## A more interesting dataset bundled with the stars package
if (requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  FF <- system.file("nc/reduced.nc", package = "stars")
  gdalinfo(FF)
  td <- tempdir()
  out_1_tiff <- file.path(td, "out_1.tiff")
  gdalmdimtranslate(FF, out_1_tiff, array = "sst")
  plot(raster(out_1_tiff),
       main = "Sea Surface Temperature\n(2x2 degree cells)")
  ## Translate to a tiff, coarsen by a factor of 5
  out_2_tiff <- file.path(td, "out_2.tiff")
  gdalmdimtranslate(FF, out_2_tiff, array = "sst",
                   scaleaxes = "lon(5),lat(5)")
  plot(raster(out_2_tiff),
       main = "Sea Surface Temperature\n(10x10 degree cells)")
}
```

---

gdalUtilities-defunct *Defunct function(s) in the gdalUtilities package*

---

**Description**

These functions have been removed from this package.

**Usage**

```
gRasterize(...)
```

## Arguments

...                   Function arguments

## Details

gRasterize was removed due to its dependency on the **raster** package, on which **gdalUtilities** no longer Depends. The source for gRasterize may still be found (and sourced, using `devtools::source_gist()`) at <https://gist.github.com/JoshOBrien/7cf19b8b686e6d6230a78a1a9799883b>.

---

gdalwarp

*Interface to GDAL's gdalwarp utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdalwarp`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/gdalwarp.html>.

## Usage

```
gdalwarp(  
  srcfile,  
  dstfile,  
  ...,  
  s_srs,  
  t_srs,  
  ct,  
  to,  
  vshift,  
  novshift,  
  s_coord_epoch,  
  t_coord_epoch,  
  order,  
  tps,  
  rpc,  
  geoloc,  
  et,  
  refine_gcps,  
  te,  
  te_srs,  
  tr,  
  tap,  
  ts,  
  ovr,  
  wo,  
  ot,  
  wt,
```

```

    r,
    srcnodata,
    dstnodata,
    srcalpha,
    nosrcalpha,
    dstalpha,
    wm,
    multi,
    q,
    IF,
    of,
    co,
    cutline,
    cl,
    cwhere,
    csq,
    cblend,
    crop_to_cutline,
    overwrite,
    nomd,
    cvmd,
    setci,
    oo,
    doo,
    config,
    dryrun = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

|   |  |
|---|--|
| srcfile   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.   |
| dstfile   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.   |
| ...   | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments. |
| s_srs, t_srs, ct, to, vshift, novshift                              | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |
| s_coord_epoch, t_coord_epoch, order, tps, rpc, geoloc, et           | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |
| refine_gcps, te, te_srs, tr, tap, ts, ovr, wo, ot, wt, r, srcnodata | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |
| dstnodata, srcalpha, nosrcalpha, dstalpha, wm, multi, q, IF, of, co | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |
| cutline, cl, cwhere, csq, cblend, crop_to_cutline, overwrite        | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |
| nomd, cvmd, setci, oo, doo, config                                  | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">gdalwarp documentation</a> for details.                               |

`dryrun` Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.

### Value

Silently returns path to dstfile.

### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

### Examples

```
## Prepare file paths
td <- tempdir()
in_tif <- file.path(td, "tahoe.tif")
gcp_tif <- file.path(td, "tahoe_gcp.tif")
out_tif <- file.path(td, "tahoe_warped.tif")

## Set up some ground control points, then warp
file.copy(system.file("extdata/tahoe.tif", package = "gdalUtilities"),
          in_tif)
## Four numbers: column, row, x-coord, y-coord
gcp <- matrix(c(100, 300, -119.93226, 39.28977, ## A
               0, 300, -119.93281, 39.28977, ## B
               100, 400, -119.93226, 39.28922, ## C
               0, 400, -119.93281, 39.28922, ## lower-left
               400, 0, -119.93067, 39.29136, ## upper-right
               400, 400, -119.93062, 39.28922, ## lower-right
               0, 0, -119.93281, 39.29141), ## upper-left
             ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)

## Add ground control points. (For some reason, this drops CRS, so
## it needs to be explicitly given via `a_srs` argument.)
gdal_translate(in_tif, gcp_tif, gcp = gcp, a_srs = "EPSG:4326")
gdalwarp(gcp_tif, out_tif, r = "bilinear")

## Check that it worked
if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  if(require(rasterVis)) {
    r1 <- raster(in_tif)
    p1 <- levelplot(r1, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE)
    r2 <- raster(out_tif)
    p2 <- levelplot(r2, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE)
    plot(p1, split = c(1, 1, 2, 1))
    plot(p2, split = c(2, 1, 2, 1), newpage = FALSE)
  }
}
```

---

`gdal_grid`*Interface to GDAL's `gdal_grid` utility*

---

### Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdal_grid`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at [https://gdal.org/programs/gdal\\_grid.html](https://gdal.org/programs/gdal_grid.html).

### Usage

```
gdal_grid(  
    src_datasource,  
    dst_filename,  
    ...,  
    ot,  
    of,  
    txe,  
    tye,  
    tr,  
    outsize,  
    a_srs,  
    zfield,  
    z_increase,  
    z_multiply,  
    a,  
    spat,  
    clipsrc,  
    clipsrcsql,  
    clipsrclayer,  
    clipsrcwhere,  
    l,  
    where,  
    sql,  
    co,  
    q,  
    config,  
    dryrun = FALSE  
)
```

### Arguments

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>src_datasource</code> | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.   |
| <code>dst_filename</code>   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.   |
| <code>...</code>            | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments. |

ot, of, txe, tye, tr, outsize, a\_srs, zfield, z\_increase, z\_multiply  
 See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_grid documentation](#) for details.

a, spat, clipsrc, clipsrcsql, clipsrclayer, clipsrcwhere  
 See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_grid documentation](#) for details.

l, where, sql, co, q, config  
 See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_grid documentation](#) for details.

dryrun Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.

### Value

Silently returns path to dst\_filename.

### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

### Examples

```
## Set up file paths
td <- tempdir()
dem_file <- file.path(td, "dem.csv")
vrt_header_file <- file.path(td, "tmp.vrt")
out_raster <- file.path(td, "tmp.tiff")

## Create file of points with x-, y-, and z-coordinates
pts <-
  data.frame(Easting = c(86943.4, 87124.3, 86962.4, 87077.6),
             Northing = c(891957, 892075, 892321, 891995),
             Elevation = c(139.13, 135.01, 182.04, 135.01))
write.csv(pts, file = dem_file, row.names = FALSE)

## Prepare a matching VRT file
vrt_header <- c(
  '<OGRVRTDataSource>',
  ' <OGRVRTLayer name="dem">',
  paste0(' <SrcDataSource>', dem_file, '</SrcDataSource>'),
  ' <GeometryType>wkbPoint</GeometryType>',
  ' <GeometryField encoding="PointFromColumns" x="Easting" y="Northing" z="Elevation"/>',
  ' </OGRVRTLayer>',
  '</OGRVRTDataSource>'
)
cat(vrt_header, file = vrt_header_file, sep = "\n")

## Test it out
gdal_grid(src_datasource = vrt_header_file,
          dst_filename = out_raster,
          a = "invdist:power=2.0:smoothing=1.0",
          txe = c(85000, 89000), tye = c(894000, 890000),
```



```
        outsize = c(400, 400),
        of = "GTiff", ot = "Float64", l = "dem")

## Check that it works
if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  plot(raster(out_raster))
  text(Northing ~ Easting, data = pts,
       labels = seq_len(nrow(pts)), cex = 0.7)
}
```

---

gdal\_rasterize

*Interface to GDAL's gdal\_rasterize utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdal_rasterize`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at [https://gdal.org/programs/gdal\\_rasterize.html](https://gdal.org/programs/gdal_rasterize.html).

## Usage

```
gdal_rasterize(  
  src_datasource,  
  dst_filename,  
  ...,  
  b,  
  i,  
  at,  
  burn,  
  a,  
  threeD,  
  add,  
  l,  
  where,  
  sql,  
  dialect,  
  of,  
  a_srs,  
  to,  
  co,  
  a_nodata,  
  init,  
  te,  
  tr,  
  tap,  
  ts,
```

```

    ot,
    optim,
    q,
    dryrun = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

`src_datasource` Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.

`dst_filename` Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.

... Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.

`b, i, at, burn, a, threeD, add, l, where, sql, dialect, of`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_rasterize documentation](#) for details.

`a_srs, to, co, a_nodata, init, te, tr, tap, ts, ot, optim, q`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_rasterize documentation](#) for details.

`dryrun` Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.

### Value

Silently returns path to `dst_filename`.

### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

### Examples

```

if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  ## Prepare file paths of example shapefile and template raster file
  vect_file <- system.file("external/lux.shp", package = "raster")
  td <- tempdir()
  rast_file <- file.path(td, "lux_rast.tif")

  ## Construct and save an appropriately sized 'empty' raster
  SPDF <- shapefile(vect_file)
  lonlatratio <- 1 / cospi(mean(coordinates(SPDF)[,2]) / 180)
  rr <- raster(extent(SPDF),
              resolution = c(lonlatratio * 0.01, 0.01),
              crs = crs(SPDF))
  ## Note: this next line warns that raster is empty
  writeRaster(rr, filename = rast_file, overwrite = TRUE)

  ## Rasterize polygon using empty raster and check that it worked
  gdal_rasterize(vect_file, rast_file, a = "ID_2")
  plot(raster(rast_file))
}

```

```
}
```

---

gdal\_translate            *Interface to GDAL's gdal\_translate utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app `gdal_translate`. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at [https://gdal.org/programs/gdal\\_translate.html](https://gdal.org/programs/gdal_translate.html).

## Usage

```
gdal_translate(  
    src_dataset,  
    dst_dataset,  
    ...,  
    ot,  
    strict,  
    IF,  
    of,  
    b,  
    mask,  
    expand,  
    outsize,  
    tr,  
    r,  
    scale,  
    exponent,  
    unscale,  
    srcwin,  
    projwin,  
    projwin_srs,  
    srs,  
    epo,  
    eco,  
    a_srs,  
    a_coord_epoch,  
    a_ullr,  
    a_nodata,  
    a_scale,  
    a_offset,  
    colorinterp,  
    mo,  
    co,  
    nogcp,
```

```

gcp,
q,
sds,
stats,
noxmp,
norat,
oo,
sd_index,
config,
dryrun = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

`src_dataset` Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.

`dst_dataset` Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.

`...` Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.

`ot, strict, IF, of, b, mask, expand, outsize, tr, r, scale, exponent`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_translate documentation](#) for details.

`unscale, srcwin, projwin, projwin_srs, srs, epo, eco`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_translate documentation](#) for details.

`a_srs, a_coord_epoch, a_ullr, a_nodata, a_scale, a_offset,`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_translate documentation](#) for details.

`colorinterp` Along with `colorinterp`, arguments named `colorinterp_bn`, where `bn` refers the number of a band are also allowed. See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_translate documentation](#) for details.

`mo, co, nogcp, gcp, q, sds, stats, norat, noxmp, oo, sd_index, config`  
See the GDAL project's [gdal\\_translate documentation](#) for details.

`dryrun` Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.

### Value

Silently returns path to `dst_dataset`.

### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

### Examples

```

## Prepare file paths
td <- tempdir()
in_raster <- file.path(td, "europe.tif")
out_raster <- file.path(td, "europe_small.tif")

```

```

file.copy(system.file("extdata/europe.tif", package = "gdalUtilities"),
          to = td)

## Shrink a tiff by 50% in both x and y dimensions
gdal_translate(in_raster, out_raster, outsize = c("50%", "50%"))

## Check that it worked
if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  if(require(rasterVis)) {
    r1 <- raster(in_raster)
    r1[is.na(r1)] <- 0
    r1 <- as.factor(r1)
    rat <- levels(r1)[[1]]
    rat[["landcover"]] <- c("water", "land")
    levels(r1) <- rat
    p1 <- levelplot(r1, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE,
                   col.regions = c("lightblue", "brown"))

    r2 <- raster(out_raster)
    r2[is.na(r2)] <- 0
    r2 <- as.factor(r2)
    rat <- levels(r2)[[1]]
    rat[["landcover"]] <- c("water", "land")
    levels(r2) <- rat
    p2 <- levelplot(r2, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE,
                   col.regions = c("lightblue", "brown"))

    plot(p1, split = c(1, 1, 2, 1))
    plot(p2, split = c(2, 1, 2, 1), newpage = FALSE)
  }
}

```

---

nearblack

*Interface to GDAL's nearblack utility*


---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app nearblack. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/nearblack.html>.

## Usage

```

nearblack(
  infile,
  o = infile,
  ...,

```

```

of,
white,
color,
near,
nb,
setalpha,
setmask,
q,
co,
dryrun = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

|  |   |
|--|---|
| infile   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.  |
| o  | Optionally, a character string giving the path to a GDAL-supported output file. If not supplied, defaults to codeinfile=, indicating that the input file should be modified in place. |
| ...  | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.  |
| of, white, color, near, nb, setalpha, setmask, q, co | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">nearblack documentation</a> for details.   |
| dryrun   | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output.            |

### Value

Silently returns path to o.

### Author(s)

Joshua O'Brien

### Examples

```

td <- tempdir()
a_rast <- file.path(td, "a.tif")
b_rast <- file.path(td, "b.tif")
file.copy(system.file("extdata/tahoe.tif", package = "gdalUtilities"),
          a_rast)
file.copy(system.file("extdata/tahoe.tif", package = "gdalUtilities"),
          b_rast)
nearblack(a_rast, b_rast, of = "GTiff", near = 150)

## Check that it worked
if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
}

```

```
if(require(rasterVis)) {  
  r1 <- raster(a_rast)  
  p1 <- levelplot(r1, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE)  
  r2 <- raster(b_rast)  
  p2 <- levelplot(r2, margin = FALSE, colorkey = FALSE)  
  plot(p1, split = c(1, 1, 2, 1))  
  plot(p2, split = c(2, 1, 2, 1), newpage = FALSE)  
}  
}
```

---

ogr2ogr

*Interface to GDAL's ogr2ogr utility*

---

## Description

This function provides an interface mirroring that of the GDAL command-line app ogr2ogr. For a description of the utility and the arguments that it takes, see the documentation at <https://gdal.org/programs/ogr2ogr.html>.

## Usage

```
ogr2ogr(  
  src_datasource_name,  
  dst_datasource_name,  
  ...,  
  layer,  
  f,  
  append,  
  overwrite,  
  update,  
  select,  
  progress,  
  sql,  
  dialect,  
  where,  
  skipfailures,  
  spat,  
  spat_srs,  
  geomfield,  
  dsco,  
  lco,  
  nln,  
  nlt,  
  dim,  
  a_srs,  
  t_srs,  
  s_srs,
```

```
ct,  
preserve_fid,  
fid,  
limit,  
oo,  
doo,  
gt,  
ds_transaction,  
clipsrc,  
clipsrcsql,  
clipsrclayer,  
clipsrcwhere,  
clipdst,  
clipdstsql,  
clipdstlayer,  
clipdstwhere,  
wrapdateline,  
datelineoffset,  
simplify,  
segmentize,  
makevalid,  
fieldTypeToString,  
unsetFieldWidth,  
mapFieldType,  
fieldmap,  
splitlistfields,  
maxsubfields,  
resolveDomains,  
explodecollections,  
zfield,  
gcp,  
order,  
tps,  
s_coord_epoch,  
t_coord_epoch,  
a_coord_epoch,  
addfields,  
unsetFid,  
emptyStrAsNull,  
relaxedFieldNameMatch,  
forceNullable,  
unsetDefault,  
nomd,  
mo,  
noNativeData,  
dryrun = FALSE  
)
```



**Arguments**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| src_datasource_name   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported readable datasource.   |
| dst_datasource_name   | Character. Path to a GDAL-supported output file.   |
| ...   | Here, a placeholder argument that forces users to supply exact names of all subsequent formal arguments.   |
| layer, f, append, overwrite, update, select, progress, sql, dialect | See the GDAL project's <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> for details.  |
| where, skipfailures, spat, spat_srs, geomfield, dsco, lco, nln, nlt | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| dim, a_srs, t_srs, s_srs, ct, preserve_fid, fid, limit, oo, doo, gt | See the <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| ds_transaction, clipsrc, clipsrcsql, clipsrclayer, clipsrcwhere     | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| clipdst, clipdstsql, clipdstlayer, clipdstwhere, wrapdateline       | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| datelineoffset, simplify, segmentize, makevalid, addfields          | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| fieldmap, splitlistfields, maxsubfields                             | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| resolveDomains, explodecollections, zfield, gcp, order, tps         | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| s_coord_epoch, t_coord_epoch, a_coord_epoch                         | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| unsetFid, emptyStrAsNull, relaxedFieldNameMatch, forceNullable      | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| unsetDefault, fieldTypeToString, unsetFieldWidth, mapFieldType      | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| nomd, mo, noNativeData  | See <a href="#">ogr2ogr documentation</a> .  |
| dryrun  | Logical (default FALSE). If TRUE, instead of executing the requested call to GDAL, the function will print the command-line call that would produce the equivalent output. |

**Value**

Silently returns path to dst\_datasource\_name.

**Author(s)**

Joshua O'Brien

## Examples

```
## Prepare file paths
td <- tempdir()
lux <- system.file("external/lux.shp", package = "raster")
lux_merc <- file.path(td, "mercator.shp")
lux_lcc <- file.path(td, "lcc.shp")

## Reproject to 'WGS 84/World Mercator'
## https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mercator\_projection
ogr2ogr(lux, lux_merc, t_srs = "EPSG:3395", overwrite = TRUE)
## Reproject to a Canadian 'Lambert conformal conic projection'
## https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lambert\_conformal\_conic\_projection
ogr2ogr(lux, lux_lcc, t_srs = "EPSG:3347", overwrite = TRUE)

if(requireNamespace("raster", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(raster)
  op <- par(mfcol = c(1,2))
  plot(shapefile(lux_merc), main = "WGS 84",
        border = "darkgrey", col = gray.colors(12))
  plot(shapefile(lux_lcc), main = "LCC",
        border = "darkgrey", col = gray.colors(12))
  par(op)
}
```

# Index

## \* package

- gdalUtilities-package, [2](#)
  
- gdal\_grid, [15](#)
- gdal\_rasterize, [17](#)
- gdal\_translate, [19](#)
- gdalbuildvrt, [4](#)
- gdaldem, [5](#)
- gdalinfo, [7](#)
- gdalmdiminfo, [9](#)
- gdalmdimtranslate, [10](#)
- gdalUtilities (gdalUtilities-package), [2](#)
- gdalUtilities-defunct, [11](#)
- gdalUtilities-package, [2](#)
- gdalwarp, [12](#)
- gRasterize (gdalUtilities-defunct), [11](#)
  
- nearblack, [21](#)
  
- ogr2ogr, [23](#)