

# Package ‘cdlsim’

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**Description** Provides tools to simulate categorical raster data, including objects from the 'terra' package. Functions focus on generating edge pixel values from reclassified raster data derived from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Cropland Data Layer products.

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collapse\_and\_combined *Function to resize patches in a SpatRaster using the terra and landscapemetrics packages*

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### Description

Function to resize patches in a SpatRaster using the terra and landscapemetrics packages

### Usage

```
collapse_and_combined(patch_raster, og_raster)
```

### Arguments

patch\_raster The SpatRaster object representing the categorical data.  
 og\_raster The values of the classes of interest, default is "all".

### Value

A SpatRaster where each patch is defined as a unique value and each class has its own layer in the spatraster.

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download\_cdl\_mat\_files  
*Function to Read in and unzip confusion matrix files from the web*

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### Description

Function to Read in and unzip confusion matrix files from the web

### Usage

```
download_cdl_mat_files(years, temp_dir = "extracted_files")
```

### Arguments

years The years of data that you want to be downloaded.  
 temp\_dir The file name you want the extracted files to be stored in.

### Value

The raw excel books containing the confusion matrix data for every US state's USDA Crop Land Data Layer.

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find_patches	<i>Function to resize patches in a SpatRaster using the terra and landscapemetrics packages</i>
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**Description**

Function to resize patches in a SpatRaster using the terra and landscapemetrics packages

**Usage**

```
find_patches(raster)
```

**Arguments**

raster            The SpatRaster object representing the categorical data.

**Value**

A SpatRaster where each patch is defined as a unique value and each class has its own layer in the spatraster.

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generate_transition_vectors	<i>Function to generate transition vectors for negative cell values</i>
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**Description**

Function to generate transition vectors for negative cell values

**Usage**

```
generate_transition_vectors(r, transition_matrix, iterations = 10)
```

**Arguments**

r                    The SpatRaster object from get\_patches with one layer for each class.

transition\_matrix    The transition matrix you want to use.

iterations           The number of iterations desired.

**Value**

A matrix of vector for each patch in each layer.

get\_mat\_data            *Function to retrieve confusion matrix data for multiple states of interest*

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### Description

Function to retrieve confusion matrix data for multiple states of interest

### Usage

```
get_mat_data(  
  state_abbreviation,  
  file_path = "inst/extdata/extracted_files",  
  verbose = FALSE  
)
```

### Arguments

state\_abbreviation        A vector of two-letter abbreviations for US states.

file\_path                The path to the directory where files are stored (default is "inst/extdata/extracted\_files").

verbose                 The stops the messages from printing to the console.

### Value

A named list where each element is a list of data frames representing confusion matrices for each state.

### Examples

```
# example code  
# Get data from UT in 2008  
ut_mat_data <- get_mat_data(c("UT"))
```

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get\_mat\_data\_dep            *Function to retrieve confusion matrix data for multiple states of interest*

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### Description

Function to retrieve confusion matrix data for multiple states of interest

**Usage**

```
get_mat_data_dep(
  state_abbreviation,
  file_path = "inst/extdata/extracted_files",
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

state\_abbreviation      A vector of two-letter abbreviations for US states.

file\_path                The path to the directory where files are stored (default is "inst/extdata/extracted\_files").

verbose                 The stops the messages from printing to the console.

**Value**

A named list where each element is a list of data frames representing confusion matrices for each state.

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get\_trans\_mat            *Function to format the confusion matrices as transition matrices*

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**Description**

Function to format the confusion matrices as transition matrices

**Usage**

```
get_trans_mat(df_list, categories)
```

**Arguments**

df\_list                 A single data frame or a list of lists of data frames extracted using get\_mat\_data(). If a list, each sublist should contain two or more data frames to be summed.

categories              A list of categories defining the numbers between 1 and 256.

**Value**

A list of data frames where row names represent pixels that will transition and column names represent the class they will transition to.

## Examples

```
# make the data frame
bl_mat_data <- get_mat_data(c("UT"))

# List of categories with their corresponding vectors
# Define the values that represent our classes of interest
non_ag <- c(61:65, 81:83, 87:88, 92, 111:112, 121:124, 131, 141:143, 152, 176, 181, 190, 195)
alfalfa <- c(36:37)
major_ag <- c(1, 2, 5, 12, 13, 22:24, 26, 225:226, 228, 234, 236, 238:241, 254)
all_numbers <- 1:256
ag <- setdiff(all_numbers, c(non_ag, alfalfa, major_ag))

cat_5 <- list(non_ag = non_ag, ag = ag, alfalfa = alfalfa, major_ag = major_ag)

# get the confusion matrix for just 2008
trans_mat_5 <- get_trans_mat(bl_mat_data, cat_5)
```

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get_trans_mat_dep	<i>Function to format the confusion matrices as transition matrices</i>
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## Description

Function to format the confusion matrices as transition matrices

## Usage

```
get_trans_mat_dep(df_list, categories)
```

## Arguments

df_list	A list of lists of data frames extracted using <code>get_mat_data()</code> . Each sublist should contain two or more data frames to be summed.
categories	A list of categories defining the numbers between 1 and 256.

## Value

A list of data frames where row names represent pixels that will transition and column names represent the class they will transition to.

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modify\_matrix      *Function to modify transition matrix based on user input.*

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**Description**

Function to modify transition matrix based on user input.

**Usage**

```
modify_matrix(mat, indices = 0)
```

**Arguments**

mat                      The transition matrix the you want to update.  
indices                  The vector of classes you want to remain unsimulated.

**Value**

A transition matrix modified to not transition some classes.

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simulate\_raster\_patch      *Function to simulate tagged patch values in a single layer spatraster.*

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**Description**

Function to simulate tagged patch values in a single layer spatraster.

**Usage**

```
simulate_raster_patch(  
  original_raster,  
  transition_matrix,  
  non_trans = 0,  
  iterations = 10  
)
```

**Arguments**

original\_raster              The SpatRaster object representing the categorical data.  
transition\_matrix            Transition matrix values that define transitions based on class values.  
non\_trans                    Class(es) that the user would like to remain unsimulated. Default is class 0 since this is the background class.  
iterations                    The number of simulations to be performed.

**Value**

A `SpatRaster` where the patches values have been simulated.

**Examples**

```
library(terra)

r <- rast(nrows = 20, ncols = 20)
values(r) <- rep(1:3, length.out = ncell(r))

trans_mat <- matrix(1/3, 3, 3)
rownames(trans_mat) <- colnames(trans_mat) <- c("1", "2", "3")

simulate_raster_patch(r, trans_mat, iterations = 1)
```

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