

Package ‘arcgisgeocode’

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esri_wkids	<i>Esri well-known IDs</i>
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Description

An integer vector containing the WKIDs of Esri authority spatial references. Esri WKIDs were identified from the `{arcgeocoder}` package from [@dieghernan](#).

Usage

esri_wkids

Format

An object of class integer of length 2886.

Value

a numeric vector of well-known IDs

find_address_candidates*Find Address Candidates*

Description

Given an address, returns geocode result candidates.

Usage

```
find_address_candidates(  
  single_line = NULL,  
  address = NULL,  
  address2 = NULL,  
  address3 = NULL,  
  neighborhood = NULL,  
  city = NULL,  
  subregion = NULL,  
  region = NULL,  
  postal = NULL,  
  postal_ext = NULL,  
  country_code = NULL,  
  search_extent = NULL,  
  location = NULL,  
  category = NULL,  
  crs = NULL,  
  max_locations = NULL,  
  for_storage = FALSE,  
  match_out_of_range = NULL,  
  location_type = NULL,  
  lang_code = NULL,  
  source_country = NULL,  
  preferred_label_values = NULL,  
  magic_key = NULL,  
  geocoder = default_geocoder(),  
  token = arc_token(),  
  .progress = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

single_line	a character vector of addresses to geocode. If provided other address fields cannot be used. If address is not provided, single_line must be.
address	a character vector of the first part of a street address. Typically used for the street name and house number. But can also be a place or building name. If single_line is not provided, address must be.

address2	a character vector of the second part of a street address. Typically includes a house number, sub-unit, street, building, or place name. Optional.
address3	a character vector of the third part of an address. Optional.
neighborhood	a character vector of the smallest administrative division associated with an address. Typically, a neighborhood or a section of a larger populated place. Optional.
city	a character vector of the next largest administrative division associated with an address, typically, a city or municipality. A city is a subdivision of a subregion or a region. Optional.
subregion	a character vector of the next largest administrative division associated with an address. Depending on the country, a subregion can represent a county, state, or province. Optional.
region	a character vector of the largest administrative division associated with an address, typically, a state or province. Optional.
postal	a character vector of the standard postal code for an address, typically, a three- to six-digit alphanumeric code. Optional.
postal_ext	a character vector of the postal code extension, such as the United States Postal Service ZIP+4 code, provides finer resolution or higher accuracy when also passing postal. Optional.
country_code	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
search_extent	an object of class <code>bbox</code> that limits the search area. This is especially useful for applications in which a user will search for places and addresses within the current map extent. Optional.
location	an <code>sfc_POINT</code> object that centers the search. Optional.
category	a scalar character. Place or address type that can be used to filter suggest results. Optional.
crs	the CRS of the returned geometries. Passed to <code>sf::st_crs()</code> . Ignored if <code>locations</code> is not an <code>sfc_POINT</code> object.
max_locations	the maximum number of results to return. The default is 15 with a maximum of 50. Optional.
for_storage	default FALSE. Whether or not the results will be saved for long term storage.
match_out_of_range	set to TRUE by service by default. Matches locations Optional.
location_type	default "rooftop". Must be one of "rooftop" or "street". Optional.
lang_code	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
source_country	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
preferred_label_values	default NULL. Must be one of "postalCity" or "localCity". Optional.
magic_key	a unique identifier returned from suggest_places() . When a <code>magic_key</code> is provided, results are returned faster. Optional.

geocoder	default <code>default_geocoder()</code> .
token	an object of class <code>httr2_token</code> as generated by <code>auth_code()</code> or related function
.progress	default TRUE. Whether a progress bar should be provided.

Details

Utilizes the `/findAddressCandidates` endpoint.

The endpoint can only handle one request at a time. To make the operation as performant as possible, requests are sent in parallel using `httr2::req_perform_parallel()`. The JSON responses are then processed using Rust and returned as an sf object.

Value

An sf object with 60 columns.

Examples

```

candidates_from_single <- find_address_candidates(
  single_line = "Bellwood Coffee, 1366 Glenwood Ave SE, Atlanta, GA, 30316, USA"
)

candidates_from_parts <- find_address_candidates(
  address = c("Bellwood Coffee", "Joe's coffeehouse"),
  address2 = c("1366 Glenwood Ave SE", "510 Flat Shoals Ave"),
  city = "Atlanta",
  region = "GA",
  postal = "30316",
  country_code = "USA"
)

str(candidates_from_parts)

```

geocode_addresses	<i>Batch Geocode Addresses</i>
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Description

Geocode a vector of addresses in batches.

Usage

```

geocode_addresses(
  single_line = NULL,
  address = NULL,
  address2 = NULL,
  address3 = NULL,

```

```

neighborhood = NULL,
city = NULL,
subregion = NULL,
region = NULL,
postal = NULL,
postal_ext = NULL,
country_code = NULL,
location = NULL,
search_extent = NULL,
category = NULL,
crs = NULL,
max_locations = NULL,
for_storage = FALSE,
match_out_of_range = NULL,
location_type = NULL,
lang_code = NULL,
source_country = NULL,
preferred_label_values = NULL,
batch_size = NULL,
geocoder = default_geocoder(),
token = arc_token(),
.progress = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

<code>single_line</code>	a character vector of addresses to geocode. If provided other address fields cannot be used. If address is not provided, <code>single_line</code> must be.
<code>address</code>	a character vector of the first part of a street address. Typically used for the street name and house number. But can also be a place or building name. If <code>single_line</code> is not provided, <code>address</code> must be.
<code>address2</code>	a character vector of the second part of a street address. Typically includes a house number, sub-unit, street, building, or place name. Optional.
<code>address3</code>	a character vector of the third part of an address. Optional.
<code>neighborhood</code>	a character vector of the smallest administrative division associated with an address. Typically, a neighborhood or a section of a larger populated place. Optional.
<code>city</code>	a character vector of the next largest administrative division associated with an address, typically, a city or municipality. A city is a subdivision of a subregion or a region. Optional.
<code>subregion</code>	a character vector of the next largest administrative division associated with an address. Depending on the country, a subregion can represent a county, state, or province. Optional.
<code>region</code>	a character vector of the largest administrative division associated with an address, typically, a state or province. Optional.
<code>postal</code>	a character vector of the standard postal code for an address, typically, a three- to six-digit alphanumeric code. Optional.

postal_ext	a character vector of the postal code extension, such as the United States Postal Service ZIP+4 code, provides finer resolution or higher accuracy when also passing postal. Optional.
country_code	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
location	an sfc_POINT object that centers the search. Optional.
search_extent	an object of class bbox that limits the search area. This is especially useful for applications in which a user will search for places and addresses within the current map extent. Optional.
category	a scalar character. Place or address type that can be used to filter suggest results. Optional.
crs	the CRS of the returned geometries. Passed to <code>sf::st_crs()</code> . Ignored if locations is not an sfc_POINT object.
max_locations	the maximum number of results to return. The default is 15 with a maximum of 50. Optional.
for_storage	default FALSE. Whether or not the results will be saved for long term storage.
match_out_of_range	set to TRUE by service by default. Matches locations Optional.
location_type	default "rooftop". Must be one of "rooftop" or "street". Optional.
lang_code	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
source_country	default NULL. An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
preferred_label_values	default NULL. Must be one of "postalCity" or "localCity". Optional.
batch_size	the number of addresses to geocode per request. Uses the suggested batch size property of the geocoder.
geocoder	default default_geocoder() .
token	an object of class httr2_token as generated by auth_code() or related function
.progress	default TRUE. Whether a progress bar should be provided.

Details

Addresses are partitioned into batches of up to `batch_size` elements. The batches are then sent to the geocoding service in parallel using [httr2::req_perform_parallel\(\)](#). The JSON responses are then processed using Rust and returned as an sf object.

Utilizes the [/geocodeAddresses](#) endpoint.

Value

an sf object

Examples

```
# Example dataset from the Urban Institute
## Not run:
fp <- paste0(
  "https://urban-data-catalog.s3.amazonaws.com/",
  "drupal-root-live/2020/02/25/geocoding_test_data.csv"
)
to_geocode <- read.csv(fp)
geocode_addresses(
  address = to_geocode$address,
  city = to_geocode$city,
  region = to_geocode$state,
  postal = to_geocode$zip
)

## End(Not run)
```

geocode_server

Create a GeocodeServer

Description

Create an object of class `GeocodeServer` from a URL. This object stores the service definition of the geocoding service as a list object.

Usage

```
geocode_server(url, token = arc_token())
```

Arguments

<code>url</code>	the URL of a geocoding server.
<code>token</code>	an object of class <code>httr2_token</code> as generated by <code>auth_code()</code> or related function

Value

an object of class `GeocodeServer`.

Examples

```
server_url <- "https://geocode.arcgis.com/arcgis/rest/services/World/GeocodeServer"
geocode_server(server_url)
```

iso_3166_codes	<i>ISO 3166 Country Codes</i>
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Description

Create a data.frame of ISO 3166 2 and 3 digit Country codes.

Usage

```
iso_3166_codes()
```

Details

Country codes provided by `rust_iso3166`.

Value

a data.frame with columns country, code_2, code_3.

Examples

```
head(iso_3166_codes())
```

list_geocoders	<i>List Available Geocoder Services</i>
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Description

Evaluates the logged in user from an authorization token and returns a data.frame containing the available geocoding services for the associated token.

For users who have not signed into a private portal or ArcGIS Online, the public **ArcGIS World Geocoder** is used. Otherwise, the first available geocoding service associated with your authorization token is used.

Usage

```
list_geocoders(token = arc_token())
```

```
default_geocoder(token = arc_token())
```

Arguments

token	an object of class httr2_token as generated by <code>auth_code()</code> or related function
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Details

The `default_geocoder()` will return the ArcGIS World Geocoder if no token is available. `list_geocoder()` requires an authorization token.

To manually create a `GeocodeServer` object, see [geocode_server\(\)](#).

Value

a `data.frame` with columns `url`, `northLat`, `southLat`, `eastLon`, `westLon`, `name`, `suggest`, `zoomScale`, `placefinding`, `batch`.

Examples

```
# Default geocoder object
# ArcGIS World Geocoder b/c no token
default_geocoder()

# Requires an Authorization Token
## Not run:
list_geocoders()

## End(Not run)
```

reverse_geocode	<i>Reverse Geocode Locations</i>
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Description

Determines the address for a given point.

Usage

```
reverse_geocode(
  locations,
  crs = sf::st_crs(locations),
  ...,
  lang_code = NULL,
  feature_type = NULL,
  location_type = c("rooftop", "street"),
  preferred_label_values = c("postalCity", "localCity"),
  for_storage = FALSE,
  geocoder = default_geocoder(),
  token = arc_token(),
  .progress = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

<code>locations</code>	an <code>sfc_POINT</code> object of the locations to be reverse geocoded.
<code>crs</code>	the CRS of the returned geometries. Passed to <code>sf::st_crs()</code> . Ignored if <code>locations</code> is not an <code>sfc_POINT</code> object.
<code>...</code>	unused.
<code>lang_code</code>	default <code>NULL</code> . An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
<code>feature_type</code>	limits the possible match types returned. Must be one of "StreetInt", "DistanceMarker", "StreetAddress", "StreetName", "POI", "Subaddress", "PointAddress", "Postal", or "Locality". Optional.
<code>location_type</code>	default "rooftop". Must be one of "rooftop" or "street". Optional.
<code>preferred_label_values</code>	default <code>NULL</code> . Must be one of "postalCity" or "localCity". Optional.
<code>for_storage</code>	default <code>FALSE</code> . Whether or not the results will be saved for long term storage.
<code>geocoder</code>	default <code>default_geocoder()</code> .
<code>token</code>	an object of class <code>httr2_token</code> as generated by auth_code() or related function
<code>.progress</code>	default <code>TRUE</code> . Whether a progress bar should be provided.

Details

This function utilizes the `/reverseGeocode` endpoint of a geocoding service. By default, it uses the public ArcGIS World Geocoder.

- Intersection matches are only returned when `feature_types = "StreetInt"`. See [REST documentation for more](#).

Location Type:

- Specifies whether the output geometry should be the rooftop point or the street entrance location.
- The `location_type` parameter changes the geometry's placement but does not change the attribute values of `X`, `Y`, or `DisplayX`, and `DisplayY`.

Storage:**Very Important**

The argument `for_storage` is used to determine if the request allows you to persist the results of the query. It is important to note that there are contractual obligations to appropriately set this argument. **You cannot save or persist results** when `for_storage = FALSE` (the default).

Execution:

The `/reverseGeocode` endpoint can only handle one address at a time. To make the operation as performant as possible, requests are sent in parallel using `httr2::req_perform_parallel()`. The JSON responses are then processed using Rust and returned as an `sf` object.

Value

An sf object.

Examples

```
# Find addresses from locations
reverse_geocode(c(-117.172, 34.052))
```

storage	<i>Storing Geocoding Results</i>
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Description

The results of geocoding operations cannot be stored or persisted unless the `for_storage` argument is set to `TRUE`. The default argument value is `for_storage = FALSE`, which indicates the results of the operation can't be stored, but they can be temporarily displayed on a map, for instance. If you store the results, in a database, for example, you need to set this parameter to `true`.

Details

See [the official documentation](#) for more context.

suggest_places	<i>Search Suggestion</i>
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Description

This function returns candidate locations based on a partial search query. It is designed to be used in an interactive search experience in a client facing application.

Usage

```
suggest_places(
  text,
  location = NULL,
  category = NULL,
  search_extent = NULL,
  max_suggestions = NULL,
  country_code = NULL,
  preferred_label_values = NULL,
  geocoder = default_geocoder(),
  token = arc_token()
)
```

Arguments

text	a scalar character of search key to generate a place suggestion.
location	an <code>sfc_POINT</code> object that centers the search. Optional.
category	a scalar character. Place or address type that can be used to filter suggest results. Optional.
search_extent	an object of class <code>bbox</code> that limits the search area. This is especially useful for applications in which a user will search for places and addresses within the current map extent. Optional.
max_suggestions	default <code>NULL</code> . The maximum number of suggestions to return. The service default is 5 with a maximum of 15.
country_code	default <code>NULL</code> . An ISO 3166 country code. See iso_3166_codes() for valid ISO codes. Optional.
preferred_label_values	default <code>NULL</code> . Must be one of "postalCity" or "localCity". Optional.
geocoder	default <code>default_geocoder()</code> .
token	an object of class <code>httr2_token</code> as generated by auth_code() or related function

Details

Unlike the other functions in this package, `suggest_places()` is not vectorized as it is intended to provide search suggestions for individual queries such as those made in a search bar.

Utilizes the [/suggest](#) endpoint.

Value

A `data.frame` with 3 columns: `text`, `magic_key`, and `is_collection`.

Examples

```
# identify a search point
location <- sf::st_sfc(sf::st_point(c(-84.34, 33.74)), crs = 4326)

# create a search extent from it
search_extent <- sf::st_bbox(sf::st_buffer(location, 10))

# find suggestions from it
suggestions <- suggest_places(
  "bellwood",
  location,
  search_extent = search_extent
)

# get address candidate information
# using the text and the magic key
find_address_candidates(
```

```
suggestions$text,  
magic_key = suggestions$magic_key  
)
```

world_geocoder

ArcGIS World Geocoder

Description

The **ArcGIS World Geocoder** is made publicly available for some uses. The world_geocoder object is used as the default GeocodeServer object in `default_geocoder()` when no authorization token is found. The `find_address_candidates()`, `reverse_geocode()`, and `suggest_places()` can be used without an authorization token. The `geocode_addresses()` function requires an authorization token to be used for batch geocoding.

Usage

```
world_geocoder
```

Format

An object of class GeocodeServer (inherits from list) of length 12.

Value

an object of class GeocodeServer

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