

# Package ‘RPhosFate’

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autoCalibrate,RPhosFate-method

*One dimensional automatic model calibration*

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### Description

Automatically calibrates the model with the help of a combination of golden section search and successive parabolic interpolation.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
autoCalibrate(
  x,
  substance,
  col,
```

```

    interval,
    metric,
    tol = min(interval) * 0.1,
    parameter = NULL
  )

```

### Arguments

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
substance	A character string specifying the substance to calculate.
col	A character string specifying the calibration data column with the respective substance river loads.
interval	A numeric vector specifying the end-points of the interval to be searched.
metric	A character string specifying the metric to optimise. See <a href="#">calibrationQuality</a> for available metrics.
tol	A numeric scalar specifying the desired accuracy of the parameter used for optimisation (not the metric).
parameter	By default, SS are calibrated utilising the overland deposition rate and all other substances are calibrated utilising their respective enrichment ratio. This argument can be used to specify a dedicated parameter utilised for calibration via a character string: "ns_dep_ovl" for overland or "ns_dep_cha" for channel deposition rate.

### Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

### See Also

[snapGauges](#), [optimize](#)

### Examples

```

# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method calls
x <- firstRun(x, "SS")
x <- snapGauges(x)

x <- autoCalibrate(
  x,
  "SS",
  col = "SS_load",

```

```

interval = c(10e-4, 20e-4),
metric = "NSE"
)

```

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autoCalibrate2,RPhosFate-method

*Two dimensional automatic model calibration*

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## Description

Automatically calibrates the model with the help of a general-purpose optimisation function. In contrast to [autoCalibrate](#), this method always utilises the overland and channel deposition rate at the same time and never the respective enrichment ratio for calibration. Beware of local optima and parameters approximately within the convergence tolerance of interval end-points.

## Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
autoCalibrate2(
  x,
  substance,
  col,
  metric,
  method = "Nelder-Mead",
  lower = 0,
  upper = 0.1,
  control = list(fnscale = if (metric %in% c("NSE", "mNSE", "KGE")) -1 else 1)
)

```

## Arguments

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
substance	A character string specifying the substance to calculate.
col	A character string specifying the calibration data column with the respective substance river loads.
metric	A character string specifying the metric to optimise. See <a href="#">calibrationQuality</a> for available metrics.
method	A character string specifying the utilised optimisation method. See <a href="#">optim</a> for further information (use <a href="#">autoCalibrate</a> instead of method "Brent").
lower	A numeric scalar or vector specifying the lower end-point(s) of the interval(s) to be searched.
upper	A numeric scalar or vector specifying the upper end-point(s) of the interval(s) to be searched.
control	A <a href="#">list</a> of control parameters passed on to <a href="#">optim</a> . See <a href="#">optim</a> for further information.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

**See Also**

[snapGauges](#)

**Examples**

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method calls
x <- firstRun(x, "SS")
x <- snapGauges(x)

x <- autoCalibrate2(
  x,
  "SS",
  col = "SS_load",
  metric = "NSE",
  method = "L-BFGS-B",
  lower = c(10e-4, 0),
  upper = c(20e-4, 20e-4),
  control = list(fnscale = -1, parscale = c(1e-3, 1e-3), factr = 1e12)
)
```

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calibrationQuality,RPhosFate-method

*Calibration quality*

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**Description**

Assesses the model's calibration quality with the help of the pairwise complete modelled as well as observed loads and the following metrics:

- *NSE*: Nash-Sutcliffe Efficiency
- *mNSE*: Modified Nash-Sutcliffe Efficiency ( $j = 1$ )
- *KGE*: Modified Kling-Gupta Efficiency
- *RMSE*: Root Mean Square Error
- *PBIAS*: Percent Bias

- *RSR*: Ratio of the RMSE to the standard deviation of the observations
- *RCV*: Ratio of the coefficients of variation
- *GMRAE*: Geometric Mean Relative Absolute Error
- *MdRAE*: Median Relative Absolute Error

In addition, a scatter plot with the observed river loads on the x- and the modelled river loads on the y-axis is displayed and provides a visual impression of the model performance. Other elements of this plot are an identity line (solid) and plus/minus 30% deviation lines (dashed).

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
calibrationQuality(x, substance, col)
```

### Arguments

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
substance	A character string specifying the substance to calculate.
col	A character string specifying the calibration data column with the respective substance river loads.

### Value

A named numeric vector containing the assessed metrics along with the in-channel retention ratio (one minus sum of *xxt* at catchment outlet(s) divided by sum of *xxt\_inp*).

### References

Nash, J.E., Sutcliffe, J.V., 1970. River flow forecasting through conceptual models part I – a discussion of principles. *Journal of Hydrology* 10, 282–290. [https://doi.org/10.1016/0022-1694\(70\)90255-6](https://doi.org/10.1016/0022-1694(70)90255-6)

Legates, D.R., McCabe Jr., G.J., 1999. Evaluating the use of “goodness-of-fit” measures in hydrologic and hydroclimatic model validation. *Water Resources Research* 35, 233–241. <https://doi.org/10.1029/1998WR900018>

Kling, H., Fuchs, M., Paulin, M., 2012. Runoff conditions in the upper Danube basin under an ensemble of climate change scenarios. *Journal of Hydrology* 424–425, 264–277. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhydrol.2012.01.011>

Moriasi, D.N., Arnold, J.G., Van Liew, M.W., Bingner, R.L., Harmel, R.D., Veith, T.L., 2007. Model evaluation guidelines for systematic quantification of accuracy in watershed simulations. *Transactions of the ASABE* 50, 885–900.

### See Also

[snapGauges](#), [autoCalibrate](#), [autoCalibrate2](#)

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method calls
x <- firstRun(x, "SS")
x <- snapGauges(x)

calibrationQuality(x, "SS", "SS_load")
```

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demoProject

*Demonstration project*

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## Description

Copies a demonstration project to an existing or a temporary directory.

The demonstration project data are a derivative of the

- *Geoland.at* (digital elevation model),
- *AMA* (field data),
- *BMLRT* (channel data) and
- *GIP.at* (road data)

data sets, used and licensed under (*CC BY 4.0*) by Gerold Hepp.

While the data represent a real catchment (*HOAL*), some of them are fictitious, but plausible. These are, among others, R- and C-factors, soil and related data, existence of subsurface drainage at road embankments as well as substance river loads.

## Usage

```
demoProject(cs_dir = tempdir(TRUE))
```

## Arguments

`cs_dir` An optional character string specifying an existing directory.

## Value

A character string containing the demonstration project root directory.

**See Also**

[RPhosFate](#), [catchment](#)

**Examples**

```
demoProject()
```

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DEMrelatedInput	<i>DEM related input</i>
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**Description**

Clips, pre-processes and calculates or determines all input data related to the digital elevation model (DEM) in the broader sense: *acc*, *acc\_wtd*, *cha*, *dem*, *dir*, *rds*, *slp*, and *wsh*.

Requires *TauDEM* 5.3.7 and the *WhiteboxTools* binary (`whitebox::install_whitebox`) to be installed on your computer.

**Usage**

```
DEMrelatedInput(
  cv_dir,
  cs_dem,
  cs_cha,
  sp_msk,
  sp_olp,
  sp_sds,
  cs_rds = NULL,
  cs_wgs = NULL,
  cs_dir = NULL,
  ns_brn = 50,
  is_adj = 1L,
  is_ths = 1L,
  ls_tmp = FALSE,
  cs_fex = c("tif", "img")
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>cv_dir</code>	A character vector specifying the desired project root directory (first position).
<code>cs_dem</code>	A character string specifying a path to a potentially large raster digital elevation model.
<code>cs_cha</code>	A character string specifying a path to a potentially large raster providing channels.



sp_msk	An <code>sp::SpatialPolygonsDataFrame</code> providing a somewhat oversized catchment mask used to clip the potentially large input rasters for further processing.
sp_olp	An <code>sp::SpatialPointsDataFrame</code> providing the desired catchment outlet(s).
sp_sds	An <code>sp::SpatialPointsDataFrame</code> providing channel sources.
cs_rds	An optional character string specifying a path to a potentially large raster providing roads.
cs_wgs	An optional character string specifying a path to a potentially large raster providing flow accumulation weights.
cs_dir	An optional character string specifying a path to a potentially large raster providing D8 flow directions using <i>ArcGIS</i> codes.
ns_brn	A numeric scalar specifying the stream burning step size in m.
is_adj	A numeric scalar specifying how many cells adjacent to channels shall be burnt.
is_ths	An integer scalar specifying the number of threads to use during computation (no effect in case <i>OpenMP</i> is not supported by the toolchain and/or platform).
ls_tmp	A logical scalar specifying if the temporary files created during computation shall be kept.
cs_fex	A character string specifying the file extension of the created raster files (either the default "tif" or "img" for backward compatibility).

## Details

This function applies the following (pre-processing) steps to ensure hydrologic consistency of the generated input data:

- Stream burning and orientation of cells adjacent to channel cells approximately into the direction of channel cells (no effect with `ns_brn = 0`).
- Depression breaching.
- Tracing of downslope flowpaths from the provided channel sources.

When roads are provided, they are considered as flow obstacles breaking the continuity of the calculated flow accumulations.

In case no flow accumulation weights are provided, `acc` and `acc_wtd` are identical.

Providing existing flow directions prevents calculating them, which, for example, may be useful in case the effect of tillage directions has been enforced on topographic flow directions in advance. Please note that doing so renders stream burning and depression breaching without effect.

`dem` represents the breached DEM with reversed stream burning if applicable. This processed DEM also serves as the basis for the calculation of the D8 slopes provided by `slp`.

## Value

A two column numeric `matrix` specifying one or more catchment outlet coordinates and side effects in the form of raster files.

## References

Lindsay, J.B., 2016. Efficient hybrid breaching-filling sink removal methods for flow path enforcement in digital elevation models. *Hydrological Processes* 30, 846–857.

**See Also**

[RPhosFate](#), [catchment](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# obtain temporary project root directory
cv_dir <- normalizePath(
  tempfile("cmt"),
  winslash = .Platform$file.sep,
  mustWork = FALSE
)
# obtain directory holding "large" rasters and other required data sets
cs_dir_lrg <- system.file("tinytest", "largeData", package = "RPhosFate")

nm_olc <- DEMrelatedInput(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  cs_dem = file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "dem_lrg.tif"),
  cs_cha = file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "cha_lrg.tif"),
  sp_msk = raster::shapefile(file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "msk.shp")),
  sp_olp = raster::shapefile(file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "olp.shp")),
  sp_sds = raster::shapefile(file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "sds.shp")),
  cs_rds = file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "rds_lrg.tif"),
  cs_wgs = file.path(cs_dir_lrg, "wgs_lrg.tif"),
  ls_tmp = TRUE
)
## End(Not run)
```

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emission,RPhosFate-method

*Emission*

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**Description**

Calculates and writes substance emissions to disk.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
emission(x, substance = "PP")
```

**Arguments**

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
substance	A character string specifying the substance to calculate.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

**See Also**

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

**Examples**

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method calls
x <- erosionPrerequisites(x)
x <- erosion(x)

x <- emission(x, "PP")
```

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erosion,RPhosFate-method

*Erosion*

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**Description**

Calculates and writes (R)USLE erosion to disk.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
erosion(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

**References**

Renard, K.G., Foster, G.R., Weesies, G.A., McCool, D.K., Yoder, D.C., 1997. Predicting soil erosion by water: a guide to conservation planning with the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE), Agriculture Handbook. U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC.

Wischmeier, W.H., Smith, D.D., 1978. Predicting rainfall erosion losses. A guide to conservation planning, Agriculture Handbook. U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC.

**See Also**

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

**Examples**

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method call
x <- erosionPrerequisites(x)

x <- erosion(x)
```

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erosionPrerequisites,RPhosFate-method  
*Erosion prerequisites*

---

**Description**

Calculates and writes capped slopes, L- and RUSLE S-factors (equations for summer conditions and slopes  $\geq 15$  ft) to disk. Weighted flow accumulations less than one are set to one for the calculation of the L-factors.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
erosionPrerequisites(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

**References**

Renard, K.G., Foster, G.R., Weesies, G.A., McCool, D.K., Yoder, D.C., 1997. *Predicting soil erosion by water: a guide to conservation planning with the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE)*, Agriculture Handbook. U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC.

**See Also**

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

**Examples**

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)

x <- erosionPrerequisites(x)
```

---

firstRun,RPhosFate-method

*First run*

---

**Description**

Calls [erosionPrerequisites](#), [erosion](#), [emission](#), [transportPrerequisites](#), [transportCalcOrder](#) and [transport](#) in the mentioned order. While [transport](#) is called for the specified substance only, [emission](#) is called for all substances whose top soil concentrations have been provided.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
firstRun(x, substance = "PP")
```

**Arguments**

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
substance	A character string specifying the substance to calculate.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

**See Also**

[subsequentRun](#)

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)

x <- firstRun(x, "SS")
```

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getLayer,RPhosFate-method

*Get layer*

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## Description

Obtains a project raster layer for further analysis.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
getLayer(x, i, j = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j]
```

## Arguments

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
i	A character string specifying a layer name. Substance related layers whose names start with <i>xx</i> are treated differently. They have to be queried by their name (not filename), for example, "x <sub>xc</sub> " in combination with "PP" in argument j queries the particulate phosphorus concentrations in top soils. See subdirectory sections for further information.
j	A character string specifying a substance if applicable.

## Value

A `raster::RasterLayer` object.

### **Input subdirectory**

This directory holds all possible user input raster data (flow obstacles like roads must be considered during generation of the flow accumulation layers and also be cut out from them in order to be properly respected):

- *acc*: Flow accumulations required for [transportCalcOrder](#).
- *acc\_wtd*: Weighted flow accumulations required for everything (can be equal to *acc*).
- *CFa*: (R)USLE C-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *cha*: Channel cells required for everything (1: channel cell, NA: no channel cell).
- *clc*: Clay contents of top soils in % required for substance [emissions](#).
- *dem*: Digital elevation model in m a.s.l. (optional).
- *dir*: D8 flow directions required for [transportPrerequisites](#) and substance [transport](#).
- *fid*: Field IDs (optional).
- *KFa*: (R)USLE K-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *lue*: Land use classes (optional).
- *man*: Manning's roughness coefficients required for substance [transport](#).
- *xxc*: Substance contents of top soils in mg/kg required for substance [emissions](#), for example, *ppc* for PP top soil contents.
- *rds*: Road cells required for [transportPrerequisites](#) (0: road cell without subsurface drainage, 1: road cell with subsurface drainage, NA: no road cell).
- *RFa*: (R)USLE R-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *slp*: Slopes in % required for everything.
- *wsh*: Watershed (optional).

### **Intermediate subdirectory**

This directory holds intermediate calculations:

- *inl*: Cells representing inlets at roads (storm drains).
- *LFa*: L-factors.
- *rhy*: Hydraulic radii in m.
- *rip*: Cells representing the riparian zones within channel cells.
- *SFa*: RUSLE S-factors.
- *slp\_cap*: Capped slopes in %.

### **Result subdirectory**

This directory holds the model results:

- *ero*: Erosion in t/cell/yr.
- *xxe*: Substance emissions in kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppe* for PP emissions.
- *xxr*: Substance retentions in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppr* for PP retentions.

- *xxt*: Substance transports in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt* for PP transports.
- *xxt\_cld*: Substance cell loads in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_cld* for PP cell loads.
- *xxt\_ctf*: Substance cell transfers in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_ctf* for PP transfers.
- *xxt\_inp*: Substance inputs into surface waters in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_inp* for PP inputs into surface waters.
- *xxt\_out*: Substance outlet loads of subsurface drainages in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_out* for PP outlet loads.

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method call
x <- firstRun(x, "SS")

getLayer(x, "dir")
getLayer(x, "xxt", "SS")
getLayer(x, "xae", "PP")
```

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```
getParameter,RPhosFate-method
  Get parameter(s)
```

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## Description

Obtains a single model parameter or all model parameters at once.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
getParameter(x, parameter = NULL)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
<code>parameter</code>	A character string specifying a parameter name or NULL for a <a href="#">list</a> of all parameters. See model parameter arguments section for further information.



**Value**

Depends on the queried parameter or a [list](#) in case of all parameters. See model parameter arguments section for further information.

**Model parameter arguments**

- `ns_slp_min`: A numeric scalar specifying the minimum bounding slope in % (defaults to 0.001).
- `ns_slp_max`: A numeric scalar specifying the maximum bounding slope in % (defaults to 999.0).
- `ns_rhy_a`: A numeric scalar specifying a network constant depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.09 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- `ns_rhy_b`: A numeric scalar specifying a geometry scaling exponent depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.50 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- `ns_cha_rto`: A numeric scalar specifying the ratio of the channel to the cell width determining the widths of the riparian zones required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.5).
- `ns_man_rip`: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the riparian zones within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.32).
- `ns_man_cha`: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the channel within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.04).
- `ns_dep_ovl`: A numeric scalar specifying the overland deposition rate per second required for substance [transport](#) (calibration parameter; no default).
- `ns_dep_cha`: A numeric scalar specifying the channel deposition rate per second required for substance [transport](#) (calibration parameter; no default).
- `nv_tfc_inl`: A named numeric vector specifying the inlet transfer coefficients required for substance [transport](#), for example, `c(SS = 0.6, PP = 0.6)` (no default).
- `nv_enr_rto`: A named numeric vector specifying the substance enrichment ratios required for substance except SS [transport](#), for example, `c(PP = 2.0)` (calibration parameter; no default).
- `iv_fDo`: An integer vector specifying the outflow direction vector required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to *ArcGIS* codes).
- `nm_olc`: A two column numeric [matrix](#) specifying one or more catchment outlet coordinates required for the in-channel retention ratio of [calibrationQuality](#) (no default).
- `df_cdt`: A [data.frame](#) with calibration data, which must have at least the following three columns and one or more columns with substance river loads in t/yr (no default):
  - `ID`: ID(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `x`: x-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `y`: y-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)

**See Also**

[setParameter](#)

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)

getParameter(x)
getParameter(x, "ns_dep_ovl")
```

---

RPhosFate

*Initialise project*


---

## Description

Initialises a project from scratch or loads the state of an existing one utilising *GeoTIFF* (\*.tif) raster files from, by convention, the following three project root subdirectories:

- *Input*
- *Intermediate*
- *Result*

See subdirectory sections for further information.

catchment is an alias for RPhosFate.

## Usage

```
RPhosFate(...)
```

```
catchment(...)
```

## Arguments

... Arguments used to initialise the project. See argument sections for further information.

## Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

### **Input subdirectory**

This directory holds all possible user input raster data (flow obstacles like roads must be considered during generation of the flow accumulation layers and also be cut out from them in order to be properly respected):

- *acc*: Flow accumulations required for [transportCalcOrder](#).
- *acc\_wtd*: Weighted flow accumulations required for everything (can be equal to *acc*).
- *CFa*: (R)USLE C-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *cha*: Channel cells required for everything (1: channel cell, NA: no channel cell).
- *clc*: Clay contents of top soils in % required for substance [emissions](#).
- *dem*: Digital elevation model in m a.s.l. (optional).
- *dir*: D8 flow directions required for [transportPrerequisites](#) and substance [transport](#).
- *fid*: Field IDs (optional).
- *KFa*: (R)USLE K-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *lue*: Land use classes (optional).
- *man*: Manning's roughness coefficients required for substance [transport](#).
- *xxc*: Substance contents of top soils in mg/kg required for substance [emissions](#), for example, *ppc* for PP top soil contents.
- *rds*: Road cells required for [transportPrerequisites](#) (0: road cell without subsurface drainage, 1: road cell with subsurface drainage, NA: no road cell).
- *RFa*: (R)USLE R-factors required for [erosion](#).
- *slp*: Slopes in % required for everything.
- *wsh*: Watershed (optional).

### **Intermediate subdirectory**

This directory holds intermediate calculations:

- *inl*: Cells representing inlets at roads (storm drains).
- *LFa*: L-factors.
- *rhy*: Hydraulic radii in m.
- *rip*: Cells representing the riparian zones within channel cells.
- *SFa*: RUSLE S-factors.
- *slp\_cap*: Capped slopes in %.

### **Result subdirectory**

This directory holds the model results:

- *ero*: Erosion in t/cell/yr.
- *xxe*: Substance emissions in kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppe* for PP emissions.
- *xxr*: Substance retentions in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppr* for PP retentions.

- *txt*: Substance transports in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt* for PP transports.
- *txt\_cld*: Substance cell loads in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_cld* for PP cell loads.
- *txt\_ctf*: Substance cell transfers in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_ctf* for PP transfers.
- *txt\_inp*: Substance inputs into surface waters in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_inp* for PP inputs into surface waters.
- *txt\_out*: Substance outlet loads of subsurface drainages in t/cell/yr (SS) or kg/cell/yr, for example, *ppt\_out* for PP outlet loads.

### Data management arguments

- *cv\_dir*: A character vector specifying the project root (first position) and optionally the Monte Carlo input data directory (second position).
- *ls\_ini*: A logical scalar specifying if the state of an existing project shall be loaded from disk (defaults to FALSE). Parameters or substance parameter values specified via the . . . argument take precedence over loaded ones.
- *is\_MCi*: An integer scalar specifying the current Monte Carlo iteration if applicable (defaults to integer(), which means Monte Carlo simulation mode is disabled).
- *cv\_MCl*: A character vector specifying the names of the layers, which shall be written to disk with the associated Monte Carlo iteration in their filenames upon calling the appropriate methods (defaults to "txt"; no effect in case Monte Carlo simulation mode is disabled).

### Model parameter arguments

- *ns\_slp\_min*: A numeric scalar specifying the minimum bounding slope in % (defaults to 0.001).
- *ns\_slp\_max*: A numeric scalar specifying the maximum bounding slope in % (defaults to 999.0).
- *ns\_rhy\_a*: A numeric scalar specifying a network constant depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.09 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- *ns\_rhy\_b*: A numeric scalar specifying a geometry scaling exponent depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.50 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- *ns\_cha\_rto*: A numeric scalar specifying the ratio of the channel to the cell width determining the widths of the riparian zones required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.5).
- *ns\_man\_rip*: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the riparian zones within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.32).
- *ns\_man\_cha*: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the channel within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.04).
- *ns\_dep\_ovl*: A numeric scalar specifying the overland deposition rate per second required for substance [transport](#) (calibration parameter; no default).

- `ns_dep_cha`: A numeric scalar specifying the channel deposition rate per second required for substance `transport` (calibration parameter; no default).
- `nv_tfc_inl`: A named numeric vector specifying the inlet transfer coefficients required for substance `transport`, for example, `c(SS = 0.6, PP = 0.6)` (no default).
- `nv_enr_rto`: A named numeric vector specifying the substance enrichment ratios required for substance except SS `transport`, for example, `c(PP = 2.0)` (calibration parameter; no default).
- `iv_fDo`: An integer vector specifying the outflow direction vector required for substance `transport` (defaults to *ArcGIS* codes).
- `nm_olc`: A two column numeric `matrix` specifying one or more catchment outlet coordinates required for the in-channel retention ratio of `calibrationQuality` (no default).
- `df_cdt`: A `data.frame` with calibration data, which must have at least the following three columns and one or more columns with substance river loads in t/yr (no default):
  - `ID`: ID(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `x`: x-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `y`: y-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)

### Monte Carlo simulation mode

This mode can make use of repeated random samples, i.e. raster data, of distributions of about all input data. The filenames of the Monte Carlo input raster data must contain the specified iteration, for example, `CFa12.tif` for the twelfth iteration of the C-factors input data, and can reside in a separate directory. In case no Monte Carlo raster file is found for a certain layer in the designated directory, the respective project root subdirectory is searched for one and finally the “normal” project input raster data is utilised.

### See Also

[saveState](#), [demoProject](#)

### Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()

# initialise project from scratch
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ns_dep_ovl = 25e-4,
  ns_dep_cha = 0.0,
  nv_tfc_inl = c(SS = 0.6, PP = 0.6),
  nv_enr_rto = c(PP = 2.0),
  nm_olc = matrix(c(4704255, 2795195), ncol = 2L),
  df_cdt = read.table(
    file.path(cv_dir, "cdt.txt"),
    header = TRUE,
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  )
)
```

```
# load state of existing project in Monte Carlo simulation mode
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = c(
    cv_dir,
    system.file("tinytest", "testProject", package = "RPhosFate")
  ),
  ls_ini = TRUE,
  is_MCi = 1L,
  cv_MCl = c("xxt", "xxt_cld")
)
```

---

RPhosFate-class

*RPhosFate class*


---

## Description

An S4 object representing a river catchment.

## Slots

`cv_dir` A character vector holding the project root (first position) and optionally the Monte Carlo input data directory (second position).

`ls_ini` A logical scalar specifying if the state of an existing project was loaded from disk.

`is_MCi` An integer scalar holding the current Monte Carlo iteration if applicable.

`cv_MCl` A character vector holding the names of the layers, which shall be written to disk with the associated Monte Carlo iteration in their filenames upon calling the appropriate methods.

`cs_fex` A character string holding the automatically determined file extension of the provided raster files (either ".tif" or ".img" for backward compatibility).

`parameters` An S4 object holding the model parameters.

`topo` An S4 object holding the raster layers related to topography in the broader sense.

`erosion` An S4 object holding the raster layers related to erosion.

`transport` An S4 object holding raster layers required for modelling transport.

`substances` An S4 object holding the substance raster layer containers.

`helpers` An S4 object holding helper data.

## See Also

[RPhosFate](#), [catchment](#)

---

saveState,RPhosFate-method  
*Save state*

---

## Description

Saves parameters (*parameters.yaml*) and transport calculation order (*order.rds*) to disk.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
saveState(x)
```

## Arguments

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

## Value

NULL invisibly and side effects in the form of files.

## See Also

[RPhosFate](#), [catchment](#)

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy  
cv_dir <- demoProject()  
# load temporary demonstration project  
x <- RPhosFate(  
  cv_dir = cv_dir,  
  ls_ini = TRUE  
)  
  
saveState(x)
```

---

```
setParameter, RPhosFate-method
      Set parameter(s)
```

---

### Description

Sets one or more model parameters or substance parameter values.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'
setParameter(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An S4 <a href="#">RPhosFate</a> river catchment object.
...	Names and values of the parameters to set. See model parameter arguments section for further information.

### Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

### Model parameter arguments

- `ns_slp_min`: A numeric scalar specifying the minimum bounding slope in % (defaults to 0.001).
- `ns_slp_max`: A numeric scalar specifying the maximum bounding slope in % (defaults to 999.0).
- `ns_rhy_a`: A numeric scalar specifying a network constant depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.09 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- `ns_rhy_b`: A numeric scalar specifying a geometry scaling exponent depending on the discharge frequency needed for the calculation of the hydraulic radius, which in turn is a prerequisite for substance transport (defaults to 0.50 representing a discharge frequency of approximately six years).
- `ns_cha_rto`: A numeric scalar specifying the ratio of the channel to the cell width determining the widths of the riparian zones required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.5).
- `ns_man_rip`: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the riparian zones within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.32).
- `ns_man_cha`: A numeric scalar specifying Manning's roughness coefficient of the channel within channel cells required for substance [transport](#) (defaults to 0.04).
- `ns_dep_ovl`: A numeric scalar specifying the overland deposition rate per second required for substance [transport](#) (calibration parameter; no default).



- `ns_dep_cha`: A numeric scalar specifying the channel deposition rate per second required for substance `transport` (calibration parameter; no default).
- `nv_tfc_inl`: A named numeric vector specifying the inlet transfer coefficients required for substance `transport`, for example, `c(SS = 0.6, PP = 0.6)` (no default).
- `nv_enr_rto`: A named numeric vector specifying the substance enrichment ratios required for substance except SS `transport`, for example, `c(PP = 2.0)` (calibration parameter; no default).
- `iv_fDo`: An integer vector specifying the outflow direction vector required for substance `transport` (defaults to *ArcGIS* codes).
- `nm_olc`: A two column numeric `matrix` specifying one or more catchment outlet coordinates required for the in-channel retention ratio of `calibrationQuality` (no default).
- `df_cdt`: A `data.frame` with calibration data, which must have at least the following three columns and one or more columns with substance river loads in t/yr (no default):
  - `ID`: ID(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `x`: x-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)
  - `y`: y-coordinate(s) of the gauge(s)

### See Also

[getParameter](#)

### Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)

x <- setParameter(x, ns_dep_ovl = 15e-4)
x <- setParameter(
  x,
  nv_tfc_inl = c(SS = 0.6, PP = 0.6),
  nv_enr_rto = c(PP = 1.4)
)
```

---

snapGauges, RPhosFate-method

*Snap gauge(s)*

---

### Description

Snaps the coordinates of the provided calibration gauges to the respective midpoint of the nearest channel cell.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
snapGauges(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

**Value**

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

**See Also**

[calibrationQuality](#), [autoCalibrate](#), [autoCalibrate2](#)

**Examples**

```
# temporary demonstration project copy  
cv_dir <- demoProject()  
# load temporary demonstration project  
x <- RPhosFate(  
  cv_dir = cv_dir,  
  ls_ini = TRUE  
)  
  
x <- snapGauges(x)
```

---

subsequentRun,RPhosFate-method

*Subsequent run*

---

**Description**

Calls [transport](#) for the specified substance and optionally [erosionPrerequisites](#), [erosion](#), [emission](#), [transportPrerequisites](#) and/or [transportCalcOrder](#) beforehand.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
subsequentRun(  
  x,  
  substance = "PP",  
  erosionPrerequisites = FALSE,  
  erosion = FALSE,  
  emission = FALSE,
```

```

    transportPrerequisites = FALSE,
    transportCalcOrder = FALSE
  )

```

### Arguments

**x** An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

**substance** A character string specifying the substance to calculate.

**erosionPrerequisites** A logical scalar specifying if [erosionPrerequisites](#) is called.

**erosion** A logical scalar specifying if [erosion](#) is called.

**emission** A logical scalar specifying if [emission](#) is called. It is never called with substance = "SS" though.

**transportPrerequisites** A logical scalar specifying if [transportPrerequisites](#) is called.

**transportCalcOrder** A logical scalar specifying if [transportCalcOrder](#) is called.

### Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

### See Also

[firstRun](#)

### Examples

```

# temporary demonstration project copy
cv_dir <- demoProject()
# load temporary demonstration project
x <- RPhosFate(
  cv_dir = cv_dir,
  ls_ini = TRUE
)
# presupposed method call
x <- firstRun(x, "SS")

x <- subsequentRun(x, "PP")

```

---

transport,RPhosFate-method  
*Transport*

---

### Description

Calculates and writes substance retentions, transports and cell loads as well as transfers to disk.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
transport(x, substance = "PP")
```

### Arguments

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.  
substance            A character string specifying the substance to calculate.

### Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

### References

*Engman, E.T., 1986. Roughness coefficients for routing surface runoff. Journal of Irrigation and Drainage Engineering 112, 39–53.*

### See Also

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

### Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy  
cv_dir <- demoProject()  
# load temporary demonstration project  
x <- RPhosFate(  
  cv_dir = cv_dir,  
  ls_ini = TRUE  
)  
# presupposed method calls  
x <- erosionPrerequisites(x)  
x <- erosion(x)  
x <- emission(x, "PP")  
x <- transportPrerequisites(x)  
x <- transportCalcOrder(x)  
  
x <- transport(x, "PP")
```

---

transportCalcOrder,RPhosFate-method  
*Transport calculation order*

---

## Description

Determines the cell transport calculation order.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
transportCalcOrder(x)
```

## Arguments

x                   An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

## Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

## See Also

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

## Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy  
cv_dir <- demoProject()  
# load temporary demonstration project  
x <- RPhosFate(  
  cv_dir = cv_dir,  
  ls_ini = TRUE  
)  
  
x <- transportCalcOrder(x)
```

---

transportPrerequisites,RPhosFate-method  
*Transport prerequisites*

---

### Description

Calculates hydraulic radii and determines cells representing inlets as well as riparian zones before writing them to disk.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RPhosFate'  
transportPrerequisites(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object.

### Value

An S4 [RPhosFate](#) river catchment object and side effects in the form of raster files.

### References

*Molnár, P., Ramírez, J.A., 1998. Energy dissipation theories and optimal channel characteristics of river networks. Water Resources Research 34, 1809–1818.*

### See Also

[firstRun](#), [subsequentRun](#)

### Examples

```
# temporary demonstration project copy  
cv_dir <- demoProject()  
# load temporary demonstration project  
x <- RPhosFate(  
  cv_dir = cv_dir,  
  ls_ini = TRUE  
)  
  
x <- transportPrerequisites(x)
```

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