

# Package ‘libipldr’

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**URL** <https://github.com/JBGruber/libipldr>

**BugReports** <https://github.com/JBGruber/libipldr/issues>

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### See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/JBGruber/libipldr>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/JBGruber/libipldr/issues>

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`decode_car`*Decode a Content Addressable aRchive (CAR) file*

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**Description**

This function decodes a CAR file from a raw vector, extracting the header and blocks.

**Usage**

```
decode_car(data)
```

**Arguments**

`data`            A raw vector containing a CAR file

**Value**

A list with header information and decoded blocks

**Examples**

```
car_file <- system.file("extdata", "sample.car", package = "libipldr")
car_data <- readBin(car_file, what = "raw", n = file.size(car_file))
decode_car(car_data)
```

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`decode_cid`*Decode a Content IDentifier (CID) string*

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**Description**

This function decodes a CID string into its components (version, codec, and hash).

**Usage**

```
decode_cid(cid_str)
```

**Arguments**

`cid_str`            A string containing a valid CID

**Value**

A list with CID components

**Examples**

```
# Decode a CID:
cid_info <- decode_cid("bafyreib775pirw4o3rz4iwdjwi3rz7q4z5t4xjyfrwnk2yukhzo2wyr4ye")
```

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decode\_dag\_cbor      *Decode DAG-CBOR encoded data to an R object*

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### Description

This function decodes a raw vector containing DAG-CBOR encoded data into an R object. DAG-CBOR is a deterministic subset of the CBOR format, used by IPFS and AtProto (Bluesky) for data representation.

### Usage

```
decode_dag_cbor(data)
```

### Arguments

data                      A raw vector containing DAG-CBOR encoded data

### Value

An R object representing the decoded data

### Examples

```
# Decode a simple DAG-CBOR map {"a": "Hello", "b": "World!"}
cbor_data <- as.raw(c(
  0xa2, 0x61, 0x61, 0x65, 0x48, 0x65, 0x6c, 0x6c, 0x6f,
  0x61, 0x62, 0x66, 0x57, 0x6f, 0x72, 0x6c, 0x64, 0x21
))
decode_dag_cbor(cbor_data)
```

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decode\_dag\_cbor\_multi      *Decode multiple DAG-CBOR objects from a byte stream*

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### Description

This function decodes multiple consecutive DAG-CBOR objects from a single raw vector. The returned list includes a 'bytes\_consumed' attribute indicating how many bytes from the beginning of the input were successfully processed. This is useful for streaming applications where you need to know where to continue reading.

### Usage

```
decode_dag_cbor_multi(data)
```

### Arguments

data                      A raw vector containing multiple DAG-CBOR encoded objects

**Value**

A list of R objects, each representing a decoded DAG-CBOR object

**Examples**

```
# Decode two consecutive DAG-CBOR objects from a single byte stream
cbor_data <- as.raw(c(
  0xa2, 0x61, 0x61, 0x65, 0x48, 0x65, 0x6c, 0x6c, 0x6f,
  0x61, 0x62, 0x66, 0x57, 0x6f, 0x72, 0x6c, 0x64, 0x21,
  0xa1, 0x61, 0x63, 0x01
))
results <- decode_dag_cbor_multi(cbor_data)
attr(results, "bytes_consumed")
```

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