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RBigQuery-package BigQuery for R
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Description

A DBI extension for querying and parsing results from Google's BigQuery database.

Overview

1. Connect and authenticate with Google:

2. Get table fields:

```
info <- dbListFields(conn, "bigquery/samples/shakespeare")</pre>
```

3. Send a query and if successful get results as data.frame:

```
result <- dbSendQuery(conn, "SELECT word FROM
     [bigquery/samples/shakespeare] WHERE word CONTAINS 'raisin'")
if (result@success)
    fetch(result)
else
    dbGetInfo(result, "error")</pre>
```

4. Get information about connection, results, etc.:

```
summary(BigQuery(), verbose=TRUE)
summary(conn, verbose=TRUE)
summary(result, verbose=TRUE)
dbGetException(conn)
```

Note

This package does not yet support data import or table deletion.

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See Also

 $\label{thm:connect} db D is connect \ db Send Query \ db Get Query \ fetch \ db Clear Result \\ summary \ db Get Info \ db Column Info \ db Get Exception \ db Get Statement$

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BigQuery

Creates a BigQuery driver.

Description

Creates a BigQuery driver, or if the driver is already created and the force.reload flag is not set, returns the current BigQuery driver. (drivers are singletons)

Usage

```
BigQuery(max.con = 1, fetch.default.rec = 10000, force.reload = FALSE)
```

Arguments

```
max.con Maximum number of connections BigQuery can drive at once.

fetch.default.rec

Default number of result rows to fetch at a time

force.reload Force the driver to restart itself.
```

Details

the current arguments to BigQuery() are not yet set to do anything. Don't expect them to do _anything_ to the way RBigQuery operates.

Value

Returns a driver object, which can then be used to create a connection.

See Also

```
DBIDriver-class
```

```
## Not run:
    driver <- BigQuery()
    ## Alternatively, use
    driver <- dbDriver("BigQuery")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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```
BQConnection-class Class "BQConnection"
```

Description

Holds auth information to connect to BigQuery.

Objects from the Class

```
Objects can be created by calls of the form dbConnect (BigQuery(), "username@gmail.com", "password")
```

Extends

```
Class "DBIConnection", directly. Class "BQObject", directly. Class "DBIObject", by class "DBIConnection", distance 2. Class "dbObjectId", by class "BQObject", distance 2.
```

Methods

```
dbConnect signature(drv = "BQConnection", username="character", password="character"
...

dbDisconnect signature(conn = "BQConnection"): ...

dbGetException signature(conn = "BQConnection"): ...

dbGetInfo signature(dbObj = "BQConnection"): ...

dbSendQuery signature(conn = "BQConnection", statement = "character", verbose="logical", status="logical"): ...

dbGetQuery signature(conn = "BQConnection", statement = "character"): ...

dbListFields signature(conn = "BQConnection", name = "character"): ...

dbListResults signature(conn = "BQConnection"): ...

dbReadTable signature(conn = "BQConnection", name = "character"): ...

summary signature(object = "BQConnection"): ...
```

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bqDescribeTable Get table metadata from remote server.

Description

Equivalent to the describe command in bq, asks for metadata regarding a BigQuery table - primarily column name and type

Usage

```
bqDescribeTable(con, table, what = "", verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

con	Connection to BigQuery to use.
table	The name of the table to describe
what	Optional: A specific tag whose value to return
verbose	Print extra debugging output
	Currently unimplemented

Value

kind	Type of query - should be bigquery#table
name	name of the table
fields	List of fields in the table and their types. Note: this can produce very unhelpful output - for column names, using bqListFields is recommended.

See Also

```
BQConnection-class
```

```
## Not run:
    metadata <- bqDescribeTable(conn, "bigquery/samples/shakespeare")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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```
BQDriver-class Class "BQDriver"
```

Description

Singleton holding some configuration options and open connections. For RBigQuery, not extremely important other than to conform to DBI.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form BigQuery() or dbDriver{"BigQuery"}

Extends

```
Class "DBIDriver", directly. Class "BQObject", directly. Class "DBIObject", by class "DBIDriver", distance 2. Class "dbObjectId", by class "BQObject", distance 2.
```

Methods

```
dbConnect signature(drv = "BQDriver", username = "character", password="character")
...
dbGetInfo signature(dbObj = "BQDriver", what="character"):...
dbListConnections signature(drv = "BQDriver"): ...
dbListFields signature(drv = "BQDriver", table="character"): ...
```

See Also

BQObject-class DBIDriver-class BQConnection-class dbConnect-methods dbGetInfo-methods dbListConnections summary

summary signature(object = "BQDriver", verbose="logical"): ...

```
## Not run:
    drv <- dbDriver("BigQuery")
    conn <- dbConnect(drv, "username", "password")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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BQObject-class

Class "BQObject"

Description

Parent class to other BQ objects Driver, Connection, and Result.

Objects from the Class

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

Slots

Id: Unique object id for be BQObject

Extends

Class "DBIObject", directly. Class "dbObjectId", directly.

Methods

No methods defined with class "BQObject" in the signature.

See Also

DBIObject-class BQDriver-class BQConnection-class BQResult-class

BQResult-class

Class "BQResult"

Description

Incapsulates information regarding a specific query, including query statement, result, and result metadata.

Objects from the Class

Results can be created by querying the BigQuery database, either with dbSendQuery(conn, ...) or dbGetQuery(conn, ...)

Extends

```
Class "DBIResult", directly. Class "BQObject", directly. Class "DBIObject", by class "DBIResult", distance 2. Class "dbObjectId", by class "BQObject", distance 2.
```

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Methods

```
dbClearResult signature(res = "BQResult"): ...
dbColumnInfo signature(res = "BQResult"): ...
dbGetInfo signature(dbObj = "BQResult", what="character"): ...
dbGetStatement signature(res = "BQResult"): ...
fetch signature(res = "BQResult"): ...
summary signature(object = "BQResult", what="character"): ...
Examples

## Not run:
result <- dbSendOuery(conn. "SELECT word FROM [bigguery/samples/shake])

## Not run:</pre>
```

dbConnect-methods Connect to the BigQuery server

Description

Authenticates with the BigQuery server and creates a BQConnection

Arguments

```
username Your google username: e.g. john.doe@gmail.com or just john.doe
password Your google password.
```

Value

A BQConnection object which can then be used to query BigQuery.

Methods

```
signature (drv = "BQDriver", username="character", password="character")

Connects to and authenticates with the Google servers, then creates a BQConnection object which can then be used to query the BigQuery servers.

signature (drv = "BQDriver", username="character", auth.token="character")

Takes the authentication token provided as an argument and creates a BQConnection object with can then be used to query to BigQuery servers. N.B.: RBigQuery does not actually verify to see if the token is correct - you'll have to query BigQuery yourself to find out.
```

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signature (drv = "BQConnection") Should clone the provided BQConnection object, not implemented for now.

See Also

```
BQConnection-class
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
    driver <- BigQuery()
    conn <- dbConnect(driver, username="username", password="password")
    data <- dbGetQuery(conn, "insert query here")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

dbDriver-methods constructs the DBI driver

Description

initializes the appropriate driver from the driver string given.

Arguments

drvName

should be the character name of the driver to initiate. in this package, "Big-Query"

Value

a DBIDriver object for the specified database. In BigQuery's case, a BQDriver. Note that BQDriver is a singleton; only one object of its class should be instantiated at a time.

Methods

```
signature(drvName = "character"), ... calls the initialization function appropriate
to driver name specified. Syntactically equal to drvName(...)
```

See Also

```
BQDriver-class BigQuery
```

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dbGetInfo-methods Information about a BQObject

Description

Get information about a BQObject, either general list or a specific element of that list.

Arguments

dbObj BQObject to get information about

what Optional: character name of specific element of list to return.

Methods

```
signature(dbObj = "BQDriver") Returns:
    drvName Name of Package
    managerID ID number of object
    fetch.default.rec default number of rows per fetch (unused)
    max.con maximum number of connections allows (unused)
    prc.con number of processed connections (unused)
    connections list of active connections under driver
    clientVersion version of package
signature(db0bj = "BQConnection") Returns:
    driver Driver the connection is using
    username username of google account
    password length of google account password (as opposed to password itself)
    auth.token authorization token used when querying BigQuery
    last.result last BQResult returned by connection
signature(dbObj = "BQResult") Returns:
    connection Connection the result came from
    statement used in query
    success logical indicating success of query
    fields result table metadata
    result if success is TRUE, the data returned by query
    error if success is FALSE, the error returned by query
```

See Also

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Examples

```
## Not run:
    dbGetInfo(driver) #returns list

dbGetInfo(driver, what="drvName") #returns name of package
## End(Not run)
```

dbGetQuery-methods query and return

Description

Executes a query, parses the result. Returns data.frame if successful, FALSE if not.

Arguments

```
statement character string of statement to execute

other arguments are passed to dbSendQuery call
```

Methods

```
signature(conn = "BQConnection", statement = "character"), ...
```

See Also

 ${\tt dbSendQuery-methods} \ {\tt fetch} \ {\tt BQConnection-class}$

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```
dbListConnections-methods
```

List open connections

Description

Lists all open and query-able connections that are associated with a provided driver.

```
Synonomous to dbGetInfo(driver, what="connections")
```

Methods

```
signature (drv = "BQDriver") Returns a list of BQConnections
```

See Also

BQDriver-class BQConnection-class dbGetInfo-methods

```
dbListFields-methods
```

Lists table column names

Description

Returns a list of the column names for a given table. Uses bqDescribeTable to get metadata

Methods

```
signature(conn = "BQConnection", name = "character") name is the charac-
ter name of the table, with without square brackets.
```

See Also

bqDescribeTable BQConnection-class

```
## Not run:
    dbListFields(conn, "bigquery/samples/shakespeare")
## End(Not run)
```

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```
dbReadTable-methods
```

Query all columns of a table

Description

Queries over all columns of a table.

Arguments

name name of the table to query - do not enclose in sqaure brackets
addend (Optional) argument for adding additional clauses to the query string.

Methods

```
signature(conn = "BQConnection", name = "character"), ... returns a data.field
    of the results of the query "SELECT * FROM [name] <addend>;".
```

See Also

 ${\tt dbListFields-methods\,dbGetQuery-methods\,dbSendQuery-methods\,BQConnection-class}$

Examples

```
## Not run:
    dbReadTable(conn, "bigquery/samples/shakespeare")

    dbReadTable(conn, "bigquery/samples/shakespeare", "WHERE word CONTAINS 'th'")

## End(Not run)

dbSendQuery-methods

Query the database
```

Description

Sends a query to the BigQuery database and returns a BQResult object describing it.

Arguments

statement	character string of query. See BigQuery query reference for syntax
status	(Optional) flag to print status messages about the state of execution - recommended
verbose	(Optional) flag to print all debugging information during the query - do not set unless you know what you're doing

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Methods

```
signature(conn = "BQConnection", statement = "character"), ... Returns
a BQResult. Use fetch() to retrieve full results.
```

See Also

 ${\tt BQConnection-class\,BQResult-class\,dbGetQuery-methods\,fetch-methods\,dbReadTable-methods\,dbGetInfo-methods}$

Examples

fetch-methods

Fetch data out of an BQResult object

Description

Retrive data from a BQResult in the form of a data.frame

Methods

```
signature(res = "BQResult", n = "missing") Retrieves as many rows of the data
as possible.
signature(res = "BQResult", n = "numeric") Retrieves the first n rows of data.
```

See Also

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pretty-print object information

Description

prints a human-readable string describing the object and its data

Arguments

verbose

(Optional) flag which will print additional information about the object

Methods

```
signature (object = "BQDriver") Will give driver name, records per fetch, max allowed connections, number of processed connections, number of open connections. If verbose is set, the connection ids, and DBI and BQ versions.
```

- signature (object = "BQConnection") Will give driver, username, and object id of last result returned from connection. If verbose is set, will give the length of password, the stored authorization token, and the BQ client version.
- signature (object = "BQResult") Will give connection, statement queried, a flag indicating success or failure, and if success, the field names returned, if failure, the error message. If verbose is set, it will return the data as well.

See Also

BQDriver-class BQConnection-class BQResult-class

```
## Not run:
    summary(driver)
    summary(conn, TRUE)
    summary(result, verbose=TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

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