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<i>datamart-package</i>	<i>Unified interface to your data sources.</i>
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## Description

This package provides several S4 classes that make it easier to collect and work with datasets. The package is inspired by the [scraperwiki project](#), which provides a webbased service for data collection. Also inspiring are [Mathematica's xxxData functions](#), which provide in-built parametrizable datasets.

## Details

You can specify web resources with the `urldata` and the `xsparql` functions. For working with locally saved data, see the `internalData` and the `csvdata` function. The objects instantiated with these functions can then be passed to the generic query along with some parameters to get to the data.

You can combine several resources with the `datamart` function.

Besides parameterized queries ("read" operations), the package also aims to support "write" operations. For this purpose, some functions (currently `mdreport`, `swvreport`) for defining targets as well as some functions (currently `blogger` and `dirloc`) for defining locations are provided. The generic `put` then builds the target and puts it at the defined location.

Some examples aim to proof the concept, for instance `dbpedia`, `sourceforge`, `expenditures`, and `city_coords`.

The package is highly experimental, and likely to change heavily without backward compatibility.

## References

Karsten Weinert, [factbased blogspot](#).

address\_lookup      *Reverse Geocoding: Adresse from Longitude and Latitude*

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**Description**

The `UrlData` object provides a resource 'AddressLookup' which takes two parameters `lat` and `lon` and returns an approximate address for this coordinates.

**Usage**

```
address_lookup()
```

**Details**

Based on Stackoverflow solution by Jochem Donkers.

**Value**

an object of class `UrlData`

**References**

[Stackoverflow](#)

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allensbach      *Election polls for Germany*

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**Description**

This function exposes an interface to the IfD/Allensbach website's poll data.

**Usage**

```
allensbach(resource = "allensbach")
```

**Arguments**

`resource`      the resource name (character)

**Details**

It serves as a proof of concept for the `urldata` function.

**See Also**

[urldata](#)

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as.character	<i>String representation of an Xdata object</i>
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### Description

The `as.character` method is extended to various Xdata objects in order to give a more detailed description of the object instance.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'DirectoryLocation'
as.character(x)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'FileTarget'
as.character(x)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'SftpLocation'
as.character(x)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'WebLocation'
as.character(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    an Xdata object

### Details

Inherited classes should override this method if necessary.

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Blogger-class	<i>Location Class for Google's Blogger service</i>
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### Description

This class implements a small subset of the blogger API v3. The `meta` method provides information on the submitted blogposts. The `put` method accepts a `BlogPostTarget` that can be transferred to Blogger.

Instantiates an object and authenticates with google. If the provided `oauthfile` parameter points to an existing file, the authentication information is loaded by `read.google.oauth2`, and the `client_id` and `client_secret` information are ignored. If `oauthfile` is missing, an initial authentication (directing the user to a website) is performed by `google.oauth2`.

**Usage**

```
 blogger(oauthfile = getOption("blogger.oauthfile"),
        client_id = getOption("datamart.client_id"),
        client_secret = getOption("datamart.client_secret"),
        blogurl = getOption("blogger.blog"), class = "Blogger")
```

**Arguments**

oauthfile	filename of previously saved authentication information.
client_id	client_id. See <code>google.oauth2</code>
client_secret	client_secret. See <code>google.oauth2</code>
blogurl	URL of the (existing) blog. Defaults to <code>getOption("blogger.blog")</code> .
class	name of the class for convenient inheritance. Defaults to "Blogger".

**Value**

Blogger

**References**

[Blogger](#)

**See Also**

[blogger](#), [mdreport](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("Blogger")
```

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BlogPostTarget-class *A Target representing a blog post*

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**Description**

This is an internal class representing a blog post. Use `MdReport` instead.

For internal use only

**Usage**

```
blogpost(name, subject, content, label = "", draft = TRUE,
         overwrite = TRUE, class = "BlogPostTarget")
```

**Arguments**

name	short (file) name of the blogpost
subject	title of the blogpost
content	content of the post
label	character vector of keywords
draft	draft or not? default=TRUE
overwrite	overwrite or not? overwrite=TRUE
class	class of the object, default 'BlogPostTarget'

**Value**

BlogPostTarget

**See Also**

[blogpost](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("BlogPostTarget")
```

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city\_coords

*Longitude and Latitude for Cities*

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**Description**

The `UrlData` object provides a resource 'CityCoordinates' that takes a `city` parameter and returns a two-valued vector with latitude and longitude.

**Usage**

```
city_coords(country = "DE")
```

**Arguments**

country            two-character country code, default 'DE'

**Details**

Based on Stackoverflow solution by Jochem Donkers.

**Value**

an object of class `UrlData`

**References**

[Stackoverflow](#)

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csvdata	<i>Create CsvData object from data.frame</i>
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### Description

This function takes a data.frame, its metadata and a location. The function writes the data to the location and returns a CsvData object. The data.frame itself is not stored in this object.

### Usage

```
csvdata(resource, dat, location, name = resource, dset.meta = NULL,
        cols.meta = NULL, update.fct = function(csv) return(data.frame()),
        verbose = TRUE, class = "CsvData")
```

### Arguments

resource	the name of the resource. Required.
dat	data.frame to convert to CsvData object. Required.
location	either a Location object, or a character pointing to a local directory. See details.
name	the physical name of the resource. Defaults to resource.
dset.meta	A list of metadata on the dataset.
cols.meta	A data.frame of metadata on the columns, rows are column names, columns are type, name, format
update.fct	function for updating the data. the update method and update interval is specified as meta data. Default is a function that returns an empty data.frame.
verbose	print diagnostic messages (default=TRUE)
class	class to construct. Defaults to CsvData.

### Details

If metadata is missing, it is set with sensible default values. The default values for the dataset metadata are title=<resource name>, modified=<current timestamp>, encoding='UTF-8', type='csv2', all other entries missing. The default values for column metadata are name=<column name of the data.frame>, type=<class(column)>, format=''

No updating takes place here.



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CsvData-class	<i>CsvData – tabular data and its metadata</i>
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### Description

This class provides the infrastructure to read and write tabular data, including metadata on the dataset as a whole and metadata on the columns of the dataset.

### Details

Metadata on the dataset that are not interpreted are title, description, license, publisher, keywords. Metadata on the dataset that is interpreted are update.scheme (always, never, and everything that can be passed to seq.POSIXt as by parameter), update.method (lastmod, fullreplace), encoding (an element of iconvlist()), type (csv, csv2), modified (automatically set, YYYY-mm-dd HH:MM:SS UTC format).

Metadata on a dataset column that are currently interpreted are name, type (logical, integer, numeric, complex, character, raw, factor, Date, POSIXct), format (for Date and POSIXct, format string for strptime).

### See Also

[csvdata](#), [read.csvdata](#)

### Examples

```
getSlots("CsvData")
```

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Dbpedia-class	<i>A class for querying Dbpedia.org</i>
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### Description

This class defines some resources at dbpedia. See `queries(dbpedia())` for a list of resources.

Constructor for Dbpedia objects

### Usage

```
dbpedia(lang = "")
```

### Arguments

lang                   two-character language code for the dbpedia, default ""

### Value

a Dbpedia object, inherited from Xsparql

**See Also**

[dbpedia](#), [xspaq1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
dbp <- dbpedia()  
queries(dbpedia)  
query(dbp, "Nuts1")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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dependencies

*Dependencies of a Xdata object*

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**Description**

The dependencies method returns a list of character or list elements that define the resources the object depends on.

**Usage**

```
dependencies(self)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'Xdata'  
dependencies(self)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ResFunc'  
dependencies(self)
```

**Arguments**

self            an Xdata object

**Details**

By default, NULL is returned.

Inherited classes should override this method if necessary.

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DirectoryLocation-class  
*Directory location*

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**Description**

The show method for the DirectoryLocation class has been adapted to display the path.  
The dirloc function creates a DirectoryLocation object.

**Usage**

```
dirloc(path, class = "DirectoryLocation")
```

**Arguments**

path	character, pointing to an existing directory. Required.
class	character, optional class name. Default is "DirectoryLocation".

**Details**

The as.character method for the DirectoryLocation class returns the path to the directory it represents.

The meta method for the DirectoryLocation class returns the output of file.info of the folder.

**See Also**

[dirloc](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("DirectoryLocation")
```

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enipedia *Interface to the Enipedia Project*

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**Description**

Enipedia is an active exploration into the applications of wikis and the semantic web for energy and industry issues. Through this we seek to create a collaborative environment for discussion, while also providing the tools that allow for data from different sources to be connected, queried, and visualized from different perspectives.

**Usage**

```
enipedia()
```

**Details**

This function creates an datamart with selected queries to the SPARQL endpoint of the enipedia project.

**Value**

a Mashup object

**See Also**

[enipedia](#), [xsparql](#)

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enipedia_countries	<i>Translation map between Enipedia country codes and ISO Codes</i>
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**Description**

This dataset maps the 2-digit ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 country code to the country name used by enipedia.tudelf.nl

**Usage**

enipedia\_countries

**Format**

CSV file (western european style)

**Source**

[Wikipedia for ISO country codes](#), [Enipedia for Enipedia names](#)

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evs2008.lv12	<i>German Income and Expenditure Survey 2008 on private spendings, differentiated by household type and household income.</i>
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**Description**

Germany's Sample survey of income and expenditure (Einkommens- und Verbrauchsstichprobe, EVS) is conducted by the Federal Statistical Office. The data provided here is processed and is not identical with der Federal Office' data. Some information is lost by the processing. If you want more and/or more accurate data, contact the Federal Statistical Office.

**Usage**

evs2008.lv12

**Format**

CSV file (western european style)

**Source**

Statistisches Bundesamt: Wirtschaftsrechnungen. Einkommens- und Verbrauchsstichprobe. Einnahmen und Ausgaben privater Haushalte. Fachserie 15 Heft 4.

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expenditures

*Elasticity of Private Households*

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**Description**

This is a proof of concept for a use case of `datamart` to be used for organising internal datasets as well as some calculations and graphics on these datasets.

**Usage**

```
expenditures()
```

**Details**

The example uses data from the Germany's Sample survey of income and expenditure (Einkommens- und Verbrauchsstichprobe, EVS).

**References**

Statistisches Bundesamt: Wirtschaftsrechnungen. Einkommens- und Verbrauchsstichprobe. Einnahmen und Ausgaben privater Haushalte. Fachserie 15 Heft 4.

**See Also**

[internalData](#), [datamart](#)

**Examples**

```
xp <- expenditures()
queries(xp)
query(xp, "categories")
query(xp, "elasticity", categ="05")
```

FileTarget-class      *FileTarget*

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### Description

This class is a decorator for a physical existing file. A common workflow for other targets is to create a temporary file and then call put again with a FileTarget.

see class FileTarget for details.

### Usage

```
filetarget(name, filename, class = "FileTarget")
```

### Arguments

name	name of the Report, default ""
filename	name of original file
class	class name, default 'FileTarget'

### Value

generic

### See Also

[filetarget](#)

### Examples

```
getSlots("FileTarget")
```

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gapminder      *Gapminder data source.*

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### Description

Gapminder describes itself as a "fact tank" that promotes a fact based world view. On their website they provide a service that allows to create animated charts for various indicators, differentiated by country. They also provide the underlying datasets for download. This S3 class serves as a wrapper for easy access to a subset of these data.

### Usage

```
gapminder()
```

## Details

Please note that neither Gapminder nor the package developer/maintainer are the data provider, except for a few cases. Therefore you will have to go to the source to find out the terms of use for the specific indicator.

This class defines some resources of the Gapminder Project. See `queries(gapminder())` for a list of resources.

This is a proof of concept for the `urldata` function.

## Value

Mashup

## References

<http://www.gapminder.org>

## See Also

[urldata](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
gm <- gapminder()
queries(gm)
query(gm, "ReligionAndBabies")

## End(Not run)
```

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google.oauth2

*Google OAuth2 initial authentication*

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## Description

This function redirects the user to a consent screen where the user can grant or revoke access for the provided scope.

## Usage

```
google.oauth2(scope, client_id = getOption("datamart.client_id"),
  client_secret = getOption("datamart.client_secret"), name = "",
  class = "GoogleOAuth2", curl = RCurl::getCurlHandle(), verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

scope	either shortname ("blogger") or URL of the scope
client_id	client id. Defaults to <code>getOption("datamart.client_id")</code>
client_secret	client secret. Defaults to <code>getOption("datamart.client_secret")</code>
name	currently ignored
class	the class to create. Must be derived from <code>GoogleOAuth2</code>
curl	<code>curl.handle</code> object
verbose	prints diagnostic messages on the way

**Value**

GoogleOAuth2 object

**See Also**

[read.google.oauth2](#), [google.oauth2](#)

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GoogleOAuth2-class     *A class for managing Google OAuth2 workflow for installed apps*

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**Description**

This class is aimed to manage the process where the user grants Google account access to your R application.

**Details**

There are two basic ways to create an `GoogleOAuth2` object. First, you can use `google.oauth2` to initially register your application with google. You may store this authentication information using `put`. Second, you can use `read.google.oauth2` to load authentication information from a previously written file.

**References**

[Google](#)

**See Also**

[google.oauth2](#),



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InternalData-class      *A class for querying data()sets*

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**Description**

This class allows to query datasets that can be loaded with data(). Only read-only access.

Constructor for InternalData objects

**Usage**

```
internalData(name, package, class = "InternalData")
```

**Arguments**

name	name of the dataset. Required.
package	name of the package where the dataset is located. Default NULL.
class	name of the class to create. Default InternalData, must be inherited from this class.

**See Also**

[internalData](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("InternalData")
```

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iwv\_online      *website traffic from IWV*

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**Description**

website traffic as tracked by iwv online. Use yyyyymm for query() as resource. This is an example for the urldata function.

**Usage**

```
iwv_online()
```

**Value**

UrlData object

**References**

[Wikipedia](#)

**See Also**[urldata](#)

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localappdir	<i>Platform-independent local app folder</i>
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**Description**

determines local app folder based on Sys.info()["sysname"].

**Usage**

```
localappdir(appname = "R", create = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

appname	subdir in local app folder, default "R"
create	logical, default TRUE, create folder if non-existent

**Value**

character

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Location-class	<i>S4 base class to represent output Locations</i>
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**Description**

The Location class is an abstract class that represents a place where to put something.

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Mashup-class	<i>Combine resource into a mashup object</i>
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**Description**

The Mashup class administers a list of Xdata objects. This can be data objects representing different data sources such as internal data or web data. It can also be calculated data resources, so-called resource functions of class ResFunc.

Constructor for Mashup objects

**Usage**

```
datamart(..., class = "Mashup")
```

**Arguments**

...	named arguments of Xdata objects
class	name of the class to create. Default Mashup, must be inherited from this class.

**Details**

In a way, this class can be viewed as a make-like tool for data. The resource functions can declare dependencies. When a resource is requested by the query method, the Mashup class takes care of the build order.

**See Also**

[datamart](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("Mashup")
```

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MdFigure-class	<i>MdFigure</i>
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**Description**

Internal Class representing figures in MdReport

Internal function to create an MdFigure object.

**Usage**

```
mdfigure(name, xdata, resource = name, class = "MdFigure")
```

**Arguments**

name	name of the figure, default ''
xdata	call for creating the figure
resource	name of the resource
class	class name, default 'MdFigure'

**Value**

MdFigure

**See Also**[mdfigure](#)**Examples**

```
getSlots("MdReport")
```

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MdReport-class	<i>Buildable markdown report</i>
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**Description**

This class provides the basis for building dynamic reports using markdown text and resource from a [datamart](#). You can create a report with `mdreport`, which takes a template file name, and a list of variables as arguments. The generic method `put` can then be used to actually produce the report at various locations (directory, memory, blogging site).

see class `MdReport` for details.

**Usage**

```
mdreport(tpl, name = "", xdata = NULL, class = "MdReport",
         verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

tpl	path to markdown template file
name	name of the Report, default ''
xdata	instance of Xdata class
class	class of the object, default 'MdReport'
verbose	diagnostic messages T/F
...	number of targets

**Details**

strsubst is a simple templating mechanism inspired from Python (PEP-0292). Variables in the template are marked by a preceding dollar sign and get replaced with the value of the corresponding variables passed to strsubst.

**Value**

generic

**See Also**

[mdreport](#), [swvreport](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("MdReport")
```

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mem.info

*Information on objects in R environment*

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**Description**

This function creates a list of objects that are currently in a given R environment (default the global workspace). Hence it is an extended version of ls.

**Usage**

```
mem.info(envir = .GlobalEnv, sortBy = "Size")
```

**Arguments**

envir           the environment to inspect, default is .GlobalEnv  
sortBy          the result will be decreasingly sorted by this column. Possible values "Type", "Size" (default), "Rows", "Columns"

**Value**

data.frame with object information

**Author(s)**

Petr Pikal, David Hinds and Dirk Eddelbuettel

**References**

[Stackoverflow](#)

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MemoryLocation-class *S4 base class to represent output in Memory*

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### Description

The MemoryLocation class represents the place in the memory of the current R process.

### Examples

```
getSlots("MemoryLocation")
```

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MemoryLocation2-class *S4 base class to represent output in Memory*

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### Description

The MemoryLocation2 class represents the place in the memory of the current R process.

Constructor for MemoryLocation2 objects

### Usage

```
memloc(class = "MemoryLocation2", ...)
```

### Arguments

`class` class to construct. Defaults to MemoryLocation2.

`...` initial objects that are contained in the location

### See Also

[memloc](#)

### Examples

```
getSlots("MemoryLocation2")
```

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meta

*Verbose list of resources*

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## Description

The meta method returns a data.frame with meta information entities available at the location. By default, zero rows are returned.

## Usage

```
meta(self, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Xdata'
meta(self, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Xsparql'
meta(self)

## S4 method for signature 'InternalData'
meta(self, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'DirectoryLocation'
meta(self)

## S4 method for signature 'MemoryLocation2'
meta(self, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SftpLocation'
meta(self)

## S4 method for signature 'Pastebin'
meta(self)

## S4 method for signature 'WebLocation'
meta(self)

## S4 method for signature 'CsvData'
meta(self, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Blogger'
meta(self)
```

## Arguments

self	an Location object
...	additional parameters

**Details**

Inherited classes should override this method if necessary.

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netConnectGermany	<i>Basic Price Information on natural Gas in Germany</i>
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**Description**

This function exposes an interface to the Netconnect Germany website and allows the download of price data on natural gas.

**Usage**

```
netConnectGermany(class = "UrlData")
```

**Arguments**

class	Class name for the object, default UrlData2
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**Value**

UrlData2

**References**

[NCG](#)

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openei	<i>Interface to the OpenEI platform</i>
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**Description**

OpenEI is growing into a global leader in the energy data realm - specifically analyses on renewable energy and energy efficiency. The platform is a wiki, similar to Wikipedia's Wiki, and offers an SPARQL endpoint.

**Usage**

```
openei()
```

**Details**

The openei function provides an datamart with predefined queries on this SPARQL endpoint.



**References**

[Blogpost by Chris Davis, OpenEI website](#)

**See Also**

[openei](#), [xsparql](#)

Pastebin-class	<i>Pastebin</i>
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**Description**

This class exposes partially the Web API to the pastebin service.

see Pastebin class for more information

**Usage**

```
pastebin(api_dev_key = getOption("pastebin.api_dev_key"),
         api_user_name = getOption("pastebin.api_user_name"),
         api_user_password = getOption("pastebin.api_user_password"),
         cls = "Pastebin")
```

**Arguments**

- api\_dev\_key     API Dev Key, default getOption("pastebin.api\_dev\_key")
- api\_user\_name   API User Name, default getOption("pastebin.api\_user\_name")
- api\_user\_password     API User password, default getOption("pastebin.api\_user\_password")
- cls             Class name to initiate, default "Pastebin"

**See Also**

[pastebin](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("Pastebin")
```

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put	<i>Put a target</i>
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### Description

This generic creates the target at the given location.

### Usage

```

put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Target,character'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Target,MemoryLocation2'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'FileTarget,DirectoryLocation'
put(target, where, overwrite = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'FileTarget,SftpLocation'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'character,SftpLocation'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BlogPostTarget,DirectoryLocation'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BlogPostTarget,SftpLocation'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MdFigure,DirectoryLocation'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MdFigure,MemoryLocation'
put(target, where)

## S4 method for signature 'MdReport,Location'
put(target, where, draft = TRUE,
     overwrite = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SweaveReport,DirectoryLocation'
put(target, where, verbose = TRUE,
     ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SweaveReport,missing'

```

```

put(target, where, verbose = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'CsvData,DirectoryLocation'
put(target, where, verbose = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'CsvData,SftpLocation'
put(target, where, verbose = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GoogleOAuth2,character'
put(target, where, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BlogPostTarget,Blogger'
put(target, where, verbose = TRUE, ...)

```

### Arguments

target	an object of class Target or derived
where	an object of class Location or derived
...	additional parameters
overwrite	parameter for FileTarget/MdReport – overwrite existing files? Default TRUE.
draft	Parameter to MdReport, is draft? Logical.
verbose	print diagnostic messages

---

queries

*List resources*

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### Description

The queries method returns a character vector of all defined resources for the given data object.

### Usage

```

queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'Xdata'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'Xsparql'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'InternalData'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'UrlData'
queries(self)

```

```

## S4 method for signature 'Mashup'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'Location'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'MemoryLocation2'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'ResFunc'
queries(self)

## S4 method for signature 'CsvData'
queries(self)

```

### Arguments

`self`            an Xdata object

### Details

The default (XData) implementation inspects definitions of the query method. Inherited classes should override this method if necessary.

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query	<i>Request data from data source</i>
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### Description

This generic function is the main interface to the data behind the Xdata layer. The first argument is the data object, the second argument is an identifier (type character), of the resource requested.

### Usage

```

query(self, resource, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Xdata,character'
query(self, resource, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Xsparql,character'
query(self, resource, maxrows = NULL,
      interactive = FALSE, typeconv = TRUE, verbose = getOption("verbose"),
      ...)

## S4 method for signature 'InternalData,character'
query(self, resource, ...)

```

```

## S4 method for signature 'UrlData,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Mashup,character'
query(self, resource, verbose = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'DirectoryLocation,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), extract.fct = readLines, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MemoryLocation2,character'
query(self, resource, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SftpLocation,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Pastebin,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ResFunc,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'WebLocation,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), extract.fct = readLines, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'CsvData,character'
query(self, resource,
      verbose = getOption("verbose"), for.update = FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GoogleOAuth2,character'
query(self, resource,
      curl = RCurl::getCurlHandle(), ...)

```

### Arguments

self	an Xdata object
resource	an identifier of the resource requested. End-user usually provide character, developer use resource and dispatch on the type.
...	additional parameter
maxrows	(Xsparql) limit of lines to return (default NULL)
interactive	(Xsparql) if TRUE, display result in chunks (default FALSE)
typeconv	(Xsparql) if TRUE (default), convert numbers and dates

verbose	print diagnostic messages, default=FALSE
extract.fct	(DirectoryLocation) which function to use to read file (default readLines)
for.update	(CsvData) update before loading (default FALSE)
curl	(GoogleOAuth2) curl handle

## Details

Depending on the data object, additional parameter can be provided.

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read.csvdata	<i>Read CSV from local directory or Internet</i>
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## Description

It is lazy, i.e. it does not read the csv in until requested. It does read in the metadata, though. If according to the dataset meta data an update is due, an update process is performed.

## Usage

```
read.csvdata(resource, location = NULL, name = resource,
  update.fct = function(csv) return(data.frame()), verbose = TRUE,
  class = "CsvData")
```

## Arguments

resource	the name of the resource. Required.
location	either a Location object, or a character pointing to a local directory or an url. See details.
name	the physical name of the resource. Defaults to resource.
update.fct	function for updating the data. the update method and update interval is specified as meta data. Default is a function that returns an empty data.frame.
verbose	Print diagnostic messages, default is TRUE.
class	class to construct. Defaults to CsvData.

---

read.google.oauth2      *Refreshed Google OAuth2 authentication*

---

**Description**

This function reads a file previously created via `put(oauth2, filename)`.

**Usage**

```
read.google.oauth2(fn)
```

**Arguments**

fn                      data filename

**Value**

GoogleOAuth2 object

**See Also**

[google.oauth2](#)

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resalias                      *Phony ResFunc Objects*

---

**Description**

This function creates a ResFunc object that returns an already existing resource.

**Usage**

```
resalias(resource, alias_for, class = "ResFunc")
```

**Arguments**

resource                  the name of the resource. Required.  
alias\_for                 name of the resource this object is a proxy for.  
class                      name of the class to create. Default ResFunc, must be inherited from this class.

**See Also**

[resfunc](#)

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resfunc	<i>Constructor for ResFunc objects</i>
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### Description

This function creates an ResFunc object. When queried, it returns the result of an function call.

### Usage

```
resfunc(resource, fun, depends = list(), class = "ResFunc", ...)
```

### Arguments

resource	the name of the resource. Required.
fun	a function that matches the signature function(self, resource, ...)
depends	the names of the resources this function depends on.
class	name of the class to create. Default ResFunc, must be inherited from this class.
...	additional parameters passed to the function when the resource is queried.

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ResFunc-class	<i>ResFunc – A class representing a "calculated" resource</i>
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### Description

While the `UrlData` and `InternalData` classes are examples for accessing actual data, the `ResFunc` class represents resources that are not physical data but for example simulated data or data derived from physical data.

### Details

This class is intended to be used with the `Mashup` class.

### See Also

[resfunc](#), [resalias](#), [datamart](#)



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SftpLocation-class     *SFTP location*

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### Description

This class represents a directory on a remote server that is accessed via the SFTP protocol. The only SSH authentication currently supported the public RSA key method.

The `sftpdirc` function creates a SftpLocation object.

### Usage

```
sftpdirc(uri, pubkey, privatekey, keypasswd = "", class = "SftpLocation")
```

### Arguments

<code>uri</code>	character, the address of the remote host in the form <code>sftp://username@the.host.com:port/remote/dir/</code>
<code>pubkey</code>	character, pointing to the public key file. Required.
<code>privatekey</code>	character, pointing to the private key file. Required.
<code>keypasswd</code>	character, optional key password
<code>class</code>	character, optional class name. Default is "SftpLocation".

### Details

The `show` and `as.character` methods for this class have been adapted to reveal the URL of the directory it represents.

The `meta` method returns a `data.frame` with `filenames` and an `is.dir` attribute. It currently returns wrong values when the remote directory contains files with spaces in their file name.

### See Also

[sftpdirc](#)

### Examples

```
getSlots("SftpLocation")
```

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show	<i>Show Method for Xdata classes</i>
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### Description

The show method for the Xdata class has been adapted to display the class name. Some inherited classes such DirectoryLocation or Blogger override this default definition.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Xdata'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'DirectoryLocation'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'Target'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'FileTarget'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'SftpLocation'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'Pastebin'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'WebLocation'  
show(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'Blogger'  
show(object)
```

### Arguments

object	Xdata object
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sourceforge	<i>SourceForge – query stats for sourceforge projects</i>
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### Description

This exposes part of the API of the sourceforge.net website. The function is a proof of concept for the urldata function.

**Usage**

```
sourceforge(proj, from = "2008-01-01", class = "UrlData")
```

**Arguments**

proj	name of the project
from	when did the project start? Default "2008-01-01".
class	which class to instantiate, default "UrlData"

**References**

[SourceForge](#)

**See Also**

[urldata](#)

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strcap	<i>Capitalize a string</i>
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**Description**

The first character is uppercased, the other lowercased.

**Usage**

```
strcap(s)
```

**Arguments**

s	character or character vector
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**Value**

character

strdecrypt                      *Obfuscate string*

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**Description**

reverts the action of strencrypt (not safe across machines!)

**Usage**

```
strdecrypt(message)
```

**Arguments**

message                      character or character vector

**Value**

character

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strdehtml                      *Decode HTML entities*

---

**Description**

Removes HTML named entities like &amp; and numbered entities like &#39; by replacing it with the corresponding character.

**Usage**

```
strdehtml(s)
```

**Arguments**

s                              character or character vector

**Value**

character or character vector

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strencrypt	<i>Obfuscate string</i>
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**Description**

a fancy method to make the string unreadable use strdecrypt to revert (not safe across machines!)

**Usage**

```
strencrypt(message)
```

**Arguments**

message	character or character vector
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**Value**

character

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strhead	<i>Get the first n letters</i>
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**Description**

if  $n > 0$ , return the first  $n$  letters of  $x$  if  $n < 0$ , return all but the last  $\text{abs}(n)$  letters of  $x$

**Usage**

```
strhead(s, n = 1)
```

**Arguments**

s	character or character vector
n	numeric, default 1

**Value**

character

---

strparse	<i>Parse named patterns</i>
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**Description**

code based on examples for regexpr()

**Usage**

```
strparse(pat, x)
```

**Arguments**

pat	named pattern
x	character or character vector

**Value**

named character vector or matrix

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strrecode	<i>Pattern-based recoding</i>
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**Description**

Pattern-based recoding

**Usage**

```
strrecode(pats, repls, x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

pats	vector of patterns
repls	vector of replacements
x	character or character vector
...	additional parameter, passed to grepl

**Value**

replaced vector

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strsubst	<i>Named substitution in strings</i>
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**Description**

Simple template mechanism inspired by PEP-0292. Use lists or named character vectors (vectors not tested) as a mapping for substitution.

**Usage**

```
strsubst(template, map, verbose = getOption("verbose"))
```

**Arguments**

template	character with \$(VARS)
map	object with [ functionality e.g. a vector. Should return values that can be coerced to character
verbose	print debugging messages when TRUE, default is getOption("verbose")

**Details**

Substitutions are marked by \$(NAME).

**Value**

character

**References**

[Python-PEP-292 Stackoverflow](#)

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strtail	<i>Get the last n letters</i>
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---

**Description**

if  $n > 0$ , return the last  $n$  letters of  $x$  if  $n < 0$ , return all but the first  $\text{abs}(n)$  letters of  $x$

**Usage**

```
strtail(s, n = 1)
```

**Arguments**

s	character or character vector
n	numeric, default 1

**Value**

character

---

SweaveReport-class      *Wrapper for Sweave and pdf*

---

**Description**

This class provides the basis to build dynamic reports using LaTeX and resource from a datamart. You can create a report with `swvreport`, which takes a sweave file name. The generic method `put` can then be used to actually produce the report in pdf format.

see class `SweaveReport` for details.

**Usage**

```
swvreport(tpl, name = NULL, cls = "SweaveReport",
          verbose = getOption("verbose"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>tpl</code>	path to markdown template file
<code>name</code>	name of the Report, default ""
<code>cls</code>	class of the constructed object, default 'SweaveReport'
<code>verbose</code>	diagnostic messages T/F
<code>...</code>	additional arguments, currently unused.

**Value**

generic

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**See Also**

[swvreport](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("SweaveReport")
```



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Target-class	<i>Buildable target</i>
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**Description**

This is an abstract class for defining buildable targets.

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uconv	<i>Convert between numerical units</i>
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**Description**

This function converts between numerical units. It works similar to the `iconv` function: You provide vector `x` and a `from` and a `to` unit name and the function converts.

This is an internal class. It administers the unitsets used by the `uconv` method. One instance, usually the only one, is created at startup.

Internal function to create an `UnitSetManager` object.

**Usage**

```
uconv(x, from, to, uset = NULL)
```

```
unitsetmanager()
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	numerical vector
<code>from</code>	character, unit to convert from.
<code>to</code>	character, unit to convert to
<code>uset</code>	optional, character, unit set to use.

**Details**

Additionally, you may provide a unitset name. Here, the analogy to `iconv` ceases. Think of unitset as a dimension of units, or a context for units. Predefined unitsets are "Length", "Mass", "Energy", and "Temperature". It is recommended to provide the unitset name. A list of available unitsets and the units defined by them can be obtained with `uconvlist()`.

This is a proof of concept for the `datamart` function.

**See Also**

[datamart](#)

**Examples**

```
uconv(1, "horse length", "m", "Length")
uconv(1:10, "TWh", "PJ", "Energy")
getSlots("UnitSetManager2")
```

---

uconvlist

*List unitsets and their units*


---

**Description**

The function lists the currently available unitsets and the units supported by them.

**Usage**

```
uconvlist()
```

**Value**

named list, names=Unitsets, values=Units in these Unitsets

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urldata

*Constructor for UrlData objects*


---

**Description**

This function creates a web resource. As this, it allows to map an Web API into an R S4 class.

**Usage**

```
urldata(resource, template, extract.fct = readLines,
        transform.fct = identity, class = "UrlData", ...)
```

**Arguments**

resource	the name of the resource. Required.
template	a pattern for the url. Must contain %s for substitution. Required.
extract.fct	a function that takes an URI and returns the raw data. Default readLines.
transform.fct	a function that takes the raw data and returns the cleaned/transformed data. Default identity.
class	name of the class to create. Default UrlData, must be inherited from this class.
...	parameters for the query. Must be named arguments, values can be characters (for defaults), NULL, or functions.

---

UrlData-class

*UrlData – unified access to WWW resources*

---

### Description

This class provides the infrastructure to scrape the web with a Extract, Transform, Load (ETL) approach.

### Details

In most cases, it is not necessary to subclass UrlData. The slots can be set by the urldata function and allow to customize each step of the process.

### See Also

[urldata](#)

### Examples

```
getSlots("UrlData")
```

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WebLocation-class

*Web location*

---

### Description

Read-only web folder

This function returns a WebLocation object that can be used as a read-only folder.

### Usage

```
webloc(path, class = "WebLocation")
```

### Arguments

**path** character, pointing to an existing web directory. Required.  
**class** character, optional class name. Default is "WebLocation".

### Details

The queries and meta methods do not work for this class.

### See Also

[webloc](#)

**Examples**

```
getSlots("WebLocation")
```

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Xdata-class	<i>Xdata – A class representing a data source</i>
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**Description**

Most methods of the class are abstract, however the show, print, queries methods will usually not need to be redefined.

**Details**

The query method is defined for character resource arguments. It is tried to transform the argument to an object; if that succeeds, query is called again. Derived methods that are also interpreting resource as character should first call this method via `callNextMethod`.

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xsparql	<i>Constructor for Xsparql</i>
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**Description**

The function `xsparql` constructs a `Xsparql` object.

**Usage**

```
xsparql(resource, url, statement, nspace = "", class = "Xsparql", ...)
```

**Arguments**

resource	the resource the query represents
url	sparql end point
statement	the SPARQL statement the query stands for
nspace	character vector with short name / namespace expansions
class	class to create, default <code>Xsparql</code>
...	named parameters for resources

**Value**

a `Xsparql` object

---

Xsparql-class	<i>A class for querying SPARQL end points</i>
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**Description**

This class allows to run SELECT statement on SPARQL endpoints. The resource parameter is interpreted as SPARQL statement.

**See Also**

[xsparql](#), [dbpedia](#), [enipedia](#), [openei](#)

**Examples**

```
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