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as.antaresDataList      *Convert objects to antaresDataTable*

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**Description**

This function converts a list of tables or table into an antaresDataList object.

An antaresDataList is a list of tables of class antaresDataTable. It also has attributes that store the time step, the type of data and the simulation options.

**Usage**

```
as.antaresDataList(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'antaresDataTable'
as.antaresDataList(x, name = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
as.antaresDataList(x, synthesis, timeStep, type,
  opts = simOptions(), name = type, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Data.frame or data.table to convert to a an antaresDataTable.
...	Arguments to be passed to methods.
name	name of the table in the final object. If NULL, the type of the data is used.
synthesis	Does the table contain synthetic results ?
timeStep	Time step of the data. One of "hourly", "daily", "weekly", "monthly" or "annual".
type	type of data: for instance "areas", "links", "clusters", etc.
opts	Simulation options.

**Value**

antaresDataList object.

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as.antaresDataTable    *Convert objects to antaresDataTable*

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**Description**

This function converts a data.frame or a data.table into an antaresDataTable object.

An antaresDataTable is simply a data.table with additional attributes recording the time step, the type of data and the simulation options.

**Usage**

```
as.antaresDataTable(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
as.antaresDataTable(x, synthesis, timeStep, type,
  opts = simOptions(), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	object to convert to a an antaresDataList.
...	Arguments to be passed to methods.
synthesis	Does the table contain synthetic results ?
timeStep	Time step of the data. One of "hourly", "daily", "weekly", "monthly" or "annual".
type	type of data: for instance "areas", "links", "clusters", etc.
opts	Simulation options.

**Value**

antaresDataTable object.

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changeTimeStep      *Change the timestep of an output*

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### Description

This function changes the timestep of a table or an antaresData object and performs the required aggregation or desaggregation. Notice that currently, the function performs the same operation on all the columns of a table (either sum or mean). Check that this is effectively what you want to do. If it is not the case, either select only the columns on which you want to perform the same operation or do not use it at all ! In future versions, this function may have a smarter behavior.

### Usage

```
changeTimeStep(x, newTimeStep, oldTimeStep, fun = "sum",
              opts = simOptions())
```

### Arguments

x	data.table with a column "timeId" or an object of class "antaresDataList"
newTimeStep	Desired time step. The possible values are hourly, daily, weekly, monthly and annual.
oldTimeStep	Current time step of the data. This argument is optional for an object of class antaresData because the time step of the data is stored inside the object
fun	Character vector with one element per column to (des)aggregate indicating the function to use ("sum", "mean", "min" or "max") for this column. It can be a single element, in that case the same function is applied to every columns.
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>

### Value

Either a data.table or an object of class "antaresDataList" depending on the class of x

### Examples

```
## Not run:
setSimulationPath()

areasH <- readAntares(select = "LOAD", synthesis = FALSE, mcYears = 1)
areasD <- readAntares(select = "LOAD", synthesis = FALSE, mcYears = 1, timeStep = "daily")

areasDAgg <- changeTimeStep(areasH, "daily")

all.equal(areasDAgg$LOAD, areasD$LOAD)

# Use different aggregation functions
mydata <- readAntares(select = c("LOAD", "MRG. PRICE"), timeStep = "monthly")
changeTimeStep(mydata, "annual", fun = c("sum", "mean"))
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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copyToClipboard	<i>Copy data to the clipboard</i>
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### Description

copyToClipboard is a utility function that copies data to the clipboard. The data can then be copied in another program like excel.

### Usage

```
copyToClipboard(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'antaresDataList'  
copyToClipboard(x, what, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	an object used to select a method.
...	arguments passed to <a href="#">write.table</a>
what	character or numeric indicating which element to copy to clipboard (areas, links, clusters or districts)

### Value

The function does not return anything. It is only used to interact with the clipboard

### Note

The function is useful only for small data objects: for a table, only the 50000 rows are copied to clipboard. If the table to copy is longer, either use filters to reduce the number of rows or write the table in text file with [write.table](#)

### Examples

```
# This only works on Windows systems  
## Not run:  
x <- data.frame(a = sample(10), b = sample(10))  
  
copyToClipboard(x)  
  
# Try to open excel and use CTRL + V to copy the data in a spreadsheet.  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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extractDataList	<i>Format data PPSE-style</i>
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### Description

This function converts an "readAntares" object in the data structure used by PPSE : instead of having one table for areas, one for links and one for clusters, the function creates a list with one element per area. Each element is a data.table containing the data about the area and one column per cluster of the area containing the production of this cluster.

### Usage

```
extractDataList(x, areas = NULL)
```

### Arguments

x	object of class "antaresData" or "antaresTable" created by the function <a href="#">readAntares</a>
areas	character vector containing the name of areas to keep in the final object. If NULL, all areas are kept in the final object.

### Value

a list of data.tables with one element per area. The list also contains an element named "areaList" containing the name of areas in the object and a table called "infos" that contains for each area the number of variables of different type (values, details, link).

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getAreas	<i>Select and exclude areas</i>
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### Description

getAreas and getDistricts are utility functions that builds list of areas or districts by using regular expressions to select and/or exclude areas/districts

### Usage

```
getAreas(select = NULL, exclude = NULL, withClustersOnly = FALSE,
         regexpSelect = TRUE, regexpExclude = TRUE, opts = simOptions(),
         ignore.case = TRUE, districts = NULL)
```

```
getDistricts(select = NULL, exclude = NULL, regexpSelect = TRUE,
             regexpExclude = TRUE, opts = simOptions(), ignore.case = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

select	Character vector. If regexpSelect is TRUE, this vector is interpreted as a list of regular expressions. Else it is interpreted as a list of area names. If NULL, all areas are selected
exclude	Character vector. If regexpExclude is TRUE, this vector is interpreted as a list of regular expressions and each area validating one of them is excluded. Else it is interpreted as list of area names to exclude. If NULL, not any area is excluded.
withClustersOnly	Should the function return only nodes containing clusters ?
regexpSelect	Is select a list of regular expressions ?
regexpExclude	Is exclude a list of regular expressions ?
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
ignore.case	Should the case be ignored when evaluating the regular expressions ?
districts	Names of districts. If this argument is not null, only areas belonging to the specified districts are returned.

**Value**

A character vector containing the name of the areas/districts satisfying the rules defined by the parameters.

**See Also**

[getLinks](#)

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getIdCols	<i>get Id columns</i>
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**Description**

getIdCols return the id columns of an AntaresDataTable

**Usage**

```
getIdCols(x = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an AntaresDataTable.

**Value**

A character vector containing the name of the id columns of an antaresDataTable

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getLinks

*Retrieve links connected to a set of areas*


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### Description

This function find the name of the links connected to a set of areas.

### Usage

```
getLinks(areas = NULL, exclude = NULL, opts = simOptions(),
         internalOnly = FALSE, namesOnly = TRUE, withDirection = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

areas	Vector containing area names. It represents the set of areas we are interested in. If NULL, all areas of the study are used.
exclude	Vector containing area names. If not NULL, all links connected to one of these areas are omitted.
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
internalOnly	If TRUE, only links that connect two areas from parameter area are returned. If not, the function may return links that connect an area from the list with an area outside the list.
namesOnly	If TRUE, the function returns a vector with link names, else it returns a table containing the name, the origin and the destination of each selected link.
withDirection	Used only if namesOnly = TRUE. If FALSE, then the function returns a table with one line per link, containing the link name the origin and the destination of the link. If TRUE, then it returns a table with columns area, link, to and direction which is equal to 1 if the link connects "area" to "to" and -1 if it connects "to" to "area". The column area contains only areas that are compatible with parameters areas and exclude. Note that the same link can appear twice in the table with different directions.

### Value

If namesOnly = TRUE the function returns a vector containing link names

If namesOnly = FALSE and withDirection = FALSE, it returns a data.table with exactly one line per link and with three columns:

link	link name
from	first area connected to the link
to	second area connected to the link

If namesOnly = FALSE and withDirection = TRUE, it returns a data.table with one or two lines per link and with four columns:

area	Area name
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link	Link name
to	Area connected to "area" by "link"
direction	1 if the link connects "area" to "to" else -1

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Get all links of a study
getLinks()

# Get all links with their origin and their destination

# Get all links connected to french areas (assuming their name contains "fr")
getLinks(getAreas("fr"))

# Same but with only links connecting two french areas
getLinks(getAreas("fr"), internalOnly = TRUE)

# Exclude links connecting real areas with pumped storage virtual areas
# (assuming their name contains "psp")
getLinks(getAreas("fr"), exclude = getAreas("psp"))

## End(Not run)
```

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isH50pts

*Test if opts is h5*


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### Description

Test if the value returned by setSimulationPath() is referring to an h5 file

### Usage

```
isH50pts(opts)
```

### Arguments

opts                   , opts

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 readAntares

*Read the data of an Antares simulation*


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## Description

readAntares is a swiss-army-knife function used to read almost every possible time series of an antares Project at any desired time resolution (hourly, daily, weekly, monthly or annual).

It was first designed to read output time series, but it can also read input time series. The input time series are processed by the function to fit the query of the user (timeStep, synthetic results or Monte-Carlo simulation, etc.). The few data that are not read by readAntares can generally be read with other functions of the package starting with "read" ([readClusterDesc](#), [readLayout](#), [readBindingConstraints](#))

## Usage

```
readAntares(areas = NULL, links = NULL, clusters = NULL,
  districts = NULL, misc = FALSE, thermalAvailabilities = FALSE,
  hydroStorage = FALSE, hydroStorageMaxPower = FALSE, reserve = FALSE,
  linkCapacity = FALSE, mustRun = FALSE, thermalModulation = FALSE,
  select = NULL, mcYears = NULL, timeStep = c("hourly", "daily", "weekly",
  "monthly", "annual"), opts = simOptions(), parallel = FALSE,
  simplify = TRUE, showProgress = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

areas	Vector containing the names of the areas to import. If NULL no area is imported. The special value "all" tells the function to import all areas. By default, the value is "all" when no other argument is enter and "NULL" when other arguments are enter.
links	Vector containing the name of links to import. If NULL no area is imported. The special value "all" tells the function to import all areas. Use function <a href="#">getLinks</a> to import all links connected to some areas.
clusters	Vector containing the name of the areas for which you want to import results at cluster level. If NULL no cluster is imported. The special value "all" tells the function to import clusters from all areas.
districts	Vector containing the names of the districts to import. If NULL, no district is imported. The special value "all" tells the function to import all districts.
misc	Vector containing the name of the areas for which you want to import misc.
thermalAvailabilities	Should thermal availabilities of clusters be imported ? If TRUE, the column "thermalAvailability" is added to the result and a new column "availableUnits" containing the number of available units in a cluster is created.If synthesis is set to TRUE then "availableUnits" contain the mean of avaiable units on all MC Years.
hydroStorage	Should hydro storage be imported ?

hydroStorageMaxPower	Should hydro storage maximum power be imported ?
reserve	Should reserve be imported ?
linkCapacity	Should link capacities be imported ?
mustRun	Should must run productions be added to the result? If TRUE, then four columns are added: <code>mustRun</code> contains the production of clusters that are in complete must run mode; <code>mustRunPartial</code> contains the partial must run production of clusters; <code>mustRunTotal</code> is the sum of the two previous columns. Finally <code>thermalPmin</code> is similar to <code>mustRunTotal</code> except it also takes into account the production induced by the minimum stable power of the units of a cluster. More precisely, for a given cluster and a given time step, it is equal to $\min(\text{NODU} \times \text{min.stable.power}, \text{mustRunTotal})$ .
thermalModulation	Should thermal modulation time series be imported ? If TRUE, the columns "marginalCostModulation", "marketBidModulation", "capacityModulation" and "minGenModulation" are added to the cluster data.
select	Character vector containing the name of the columns to import. If this argument is NULL, all variables are imported. Special names "allAreas" and "allLinks" indicate to the function to import all variables for areas or for links. Since version 1.0, values "misc", "thermalAvailabilities", "hydroStorage", "hydroStorageMaxPower", "reserve", "linkCapacity", "mustRun", "thermalModulation" are also accepted and can replace the corresponding arguments. The list of available variables can be seen with the command <code>simOptions()\$variables</code> . Id variables like <code>area</code> , <code>link</code> or <code>timeId</code> are automatically imported.
mcYears	Index of the Monte-Carlo years to import. If NULL, synthetic results are read, else the specified Monte-Carlo simulations are imported. The special value <code>all</code> tells the function to import all Monte-Carlo simulations.
timeStep	Resolution of the data to import: hourly (default), daily, weekly, monthly or annual.
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <code>setSimulationPath</code>
parallel	Should the importation be parallelized ? (See details)
simplify	If TRUE and only one type of output is imported then a <code>data.table</code> is returned. If FALSE, the result will always be a list of class "antaresData".
showProgress	If TRUE the function displays information about the progress of the importation.

## Details

If parameters `areas`, `links`, `clusters` and `districts` are all NULL, `readAntares` will read output for all areas. By default the function reads synthetic results if they are available.

`readAntares` is able to read input time series, but when they are not stored in output, these time series may have changed since a simulation has been run. In such a case the function will remind you this danger with a warning.

When individual Monte-Carlo simulations are read, the function may crash because of insufficient memory. In such a case, it is necessary to reduce size of the output. Different strategies are available depending on your objective:

- Use a larger time step (parameter `timeStep`)

- Filter the elements to import (parameters `areas`, `links`, `clusters` and `districts`)
- Select only a few columns (parameter `select`)
- read only a subset of Monte-Carlo simulations (parameter `mcYears`). For instance one can import a random sample of 100 simulations with `mcYears = sample(simOptions()$mcYears, 100)`

### Value

If `simplify = TRUE` and only one type of output is imported then the result is a `data.table`.

Else an object of class "antaresDataList" is returned. It is a list of `data.tables`, each element representing one type of element (`areas`, `links`, `clusters`)

### Parallelization

If you import several elements of the same type (`areas`, `links`, `clusters`), you can use parallelized importation to improve performance. Setting the parameter `parallel = TRUE` is not enough to parallelize the importation, you also have to install the package `foreach` and a package that provides a parallel backend (for instance the package `doParallel`).

Before running the function with argument `parallel=TRUE`, you need to register your parallel backend. For instance, if you use package "doParallel" you need to use the function `registerDoParallel` once per session.

### See Also

[setSimulationPath](#), [getAreas](#), [getLinks](#), [getDistricts](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Import areas and links separately

areas <- readAntares() # equivalent to readAntares(areas="all")
links <- readAntares(links="all")

# Import areas and links at same time

output <- readAntares(areas = "all", links = "all")

# Add input time series to the object returned by the function
areas <- readAntares(areas = "all", misc = TRUE, reserve = TRUE)

# Get all output for one area

myArea <- sample(simOptions())$areaList, 1)
myArea

myAreaOutput <- readAntares(area = myArea,
                           links = getLinks(myArea, regexpSelect=FALSE),
                           clusters = myArea)

# Or equivalently:
```

```

myAreaOutput <- readAntaresAreas(myArea)

# Use parameter "select" to read only some columns.

areas <- readAntares(select = c("LOAD", "OV. COST"))

# Aliases can be used to select frequent groups of columns. use showAliases()
# to view a list of available aliases

areas <- readAntares(select="economy")

## End(Not run)

```

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readAntaresAreas	<i>Read output for a list of areas</i>
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## Description

This a function is a wrapper for "antaresData" that reads all data for a list of areas.

## Usage

```

readAntaresAreas(areas, links = TRUE, clusters = TRUE,
  internalOnly = FALSE, opts = simOptions(), ...)

```

## Arguments

areas	Vector containing area names. It represents the set of areas we are interested in. If NULL, all areas of the study are used.
links	should links connected to the areas be imported ?
clusters	should the clusters of the areas be imported ?
internalOnly	If TRUE, only links that connect two areas from parameter area are returned. If not, the function may return links that connect an area from the list with an area outside the list.
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
...	Other arguments passed to the function <a href="#">readAntares</a>

## Value

If `simplify = TRUE` and only one type of output is imported then the result is a `data.table`.

Else an object of class "antaresData" is returned. It is a list of `data.tables`, each element representing one type of element (areas, links, clusters)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
myarea <- simOptions()$areaList[1]
data <- readAntaresAreas(myarea)

# Equivalent but more concise than:
data2 <- readAntares(myarea, links = getLinks(myarea), clusters = myarea)

all.equal(data, data2)

## End(Not run)
```

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```
readBindingConstraints
```

*Read binding constraints*

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**Description**

This function reads the binding constraints of an Antares project.

Be aware that binding constraints are read in the input files of a study. So they may have changed since a simulation has been run.

**Usage**

```
readBindingConstraints(opts = simOptions())

## S3 method for class 'bindingConstraints'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
object	Object returned by readBindingConstraints
...	Unused

**Value**

readBindingConstraints returns an object of class bindingConstraints. It is a named list with one element per read constraint. Each element is itself a list with the following elements:

enabled	is the constraint enabled ?
timeStep	time step the constraint applies to
operator	type of constraint: equality, inequality on one side or both sides
coefficients	elements containing the coefficients used by the constraint
values	values used by the constraint. It contains one line per time step and three columns "less", "greater" and "equal"

The summary method returns a data.frame with one line per constraint.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
setSimulationPath()

constraints <- readBindingConstraints()
summary(constraints)

## End(Not run)
```

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readClusterDesc	<i>Import clusters description</i>
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**Description**

This function reads in the input files of an antares study the characteristics of each cluster.

Be aware that clusters descriptions are read in the input files so they may have changed since a simulation has been run.

**Usage**

```
readClusterDesc(opts = simOptions())
```

**Arguments**

opts            list of simulation parameters returned by the function [setSimulationPath](#)

**Value**

A data.table with one line per cluster. The columns of the data.table may change between different projects, but there will always be the following columns:

area	Name of the area containing the cluster
cluster	Name of the cluster
group	Type of cluster (gaz, nuclear, etc.)
unitcount	number of production units
nominalcapacity	production capacity of each unit

The other present columns depends on the version of antares and the options that have been set: if an option is unset for all clusters, it will not appear in the table.

By default, the function reads the cluster description of the default antares study. You can use the argument opts to specify another study

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
readClusterDesc()

# By default, the function reads cluster descriptions for the default study,
# but it is possible to specify another study with parameter "opts"
sim1 <- setSimulationPath()

#[... code that modifies the default antares study]

readClusterDesc(sim1)

## End(Not run)
```

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readInputTS	<i>Read Input time series</i>
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**Description**

readInputTS is a function that reads time series from an antares project. But contrary to [readAntares](#), it only reads time series stored in the input folder, so it can work in "input" mode.

**Usage**

```
readInputTS(load = NULL, thermalAvailabilities = NULL, ror = NULL,
  hydroStorage = NULL, hydroStorageMaxPower = NULL, wind = NULL,
  solar = NULL, misc = NULL, reserve = NULL, linkCapacity = NULL,
  opts = simOptions(), timeStep = c("hourly", "daily", "weekly", "monthly",
  "annual"), simplify = TRUE, parallel = FALSE, showProgress = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

load	vector of areas names for which load time series must be read.
thermalAvailabilities	vector of areas names for which thermal availabilities of clusters must be read.
ror	vector of areas names for which run of river time series must be read.
hydroStorage	vector of areas names for which hydrolic storage time series must be read.
hydroStorageMaxPower	vector of areas names for which hydrolic storage maximum power time series must be read.
wind	vector of areas names for which wind time series must be read
solar	vector of areas names for which solar time series must be read
misc	vector of areas names for which misc time series must be read



reserve	vector of areas names for which reserve time series must be read
linkCapacity	vector of links names for which links characteristics time series must be read
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
timeStep	Resolution of the data to import: hourly (default), daily, weekly, monthly or annual.
simplify	If TRUE and only one type of output is imported then a data.table is returned. If FALSE, the result will always be a list of class "antaresData".
parallel	Should the importation be parallelized ? (See details)
showProgress	If TRUE the function displays information about the progress of the importation.

**Value**

If `simplify = TRUE` and only one type of input is imported then the result is a `data.table` with class "antaresDataTable".

Else an object of class "antaresDataList" is returned. It is a list of `data.tables`, each element representing one type of element (load, wind, solar, etc.).

**Note**

All parameters expecting a vector of areas or links names also accept the special value "all". It indicates the function to read the desired time series for all areas or links.

**See Also**

[setSimulationPath](#), [readAntares](#), [getAreas](#), [getLinks](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Set an antares study in "input" mode. This is useful when one want to
# inspect input time series before running a simulation.
# Note that readAntares do not function in input mode, but readInputTS
# works with any mode.

setSimulationPath("path_to_the_study", "input")

# Read load time series
readInputTS(load = "all")

# Read hydrolic storage and maximum power in the same call:
readInputTS(hydroStorage = "all", hydroStorageMaxPower = "all")

# Use a different time step
myArea <- readInputTS(load= "myArea", timeStep = "monthly")

# Quick plot to visualize the variability of the series
matplot(myArea[, - (1:2)], with = FALSE, type = "l")

## End(Not run)
```

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readLayout	<i>Read areas layout</i>
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### Description

This function reads in the input files of an antares study the current areas layout, ie. the position of the areas. It may be useful for plotting the network.

Be aware that the layout is read in the input files so they may have changed since a simulation has been run.

### Usage

```
readLayout(opts = simOptions(), xyCompare = c("union", "intersect"))
```

### Arguments

opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a>
xyCompare	Use when passing multiple opts, can be "union" or "intersect".

### Value

A list with three elements:

areas:	A data.frame containing the name, the color and the coordinate of each area
district:	A data.frame containing the name, the color and the coordinate of each district
links:	A data.frame containing the name, the coordinates of the origin and the destination of each link

By default, readLayout reads the layout for the current default antares study. It is possible to specify another study with the parameter opts. And we can pass multiple studies using a list of opts.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
readLayout()

# By default, the function reads layout for the default study,
# but it is possible to specify another study with parameter "opts"
sim1 <- setSimulationPath()

#[... code that modifies the default antares study]

readLayout(sim1)

## End(Not run)
```



**Arguments**

x	An object of class <code>AntaresDataList</code> with at least components <code>areas</code> and <code>links</code> .
storageFlexibility	A vector containing the names of the virtual storage/flexibility areas.
production	A vector containing the names of the virtual production areas.
reassignCosts	If TRUE, the production costs of the virtual areas are reallocated to the real areas they are connected to. If the virtual areas are connected to a virtual hub, their costs are first reallocated to the hub and then the costs of the hub are reallocated to the real areas.
newCols	If TRUE, new columns containing the production of the virtual areas are added. If FALSE their production is added to the production of the real areas they are connected to.

**Details**

Two types of virtual areas have been defined corresponding to different types of modeling in Antares and different types of post-treatment to do:

- Flexibility/storage areas are areas created to model pumping unit or any other flexibility that behave as a storage. For those virtual areas, the important results are flows on the links.
- Production areas are areas created to isolate some generation from the "real" areas. They can be isolate for several reasons: to distinguish time-series (for example wind onshore/offshore), to select some specific unit to participate to day-ahead reserve, etc.

`removeVirtualAreas` performs different corrections:

- Correct the balance of the real areas by removing the flows to or from virtual areas.
- If parameter `reassignCosts` is TRUE, then the costs of the virtual areas are reassigned to the real areas they are connected to. The affected columns are `OV_COST`, `OP_COST`, `CO2_EMIS` and `NP_COST`. If a virtual area is connected to a single real area, all its costs are attributed to the real area. If it is connected to several real areas, then costs at a given time step are divided between them proportionally to the flows between them and the virtual area.
- For each storage/flexibility area, a column named like the area is created. It contains the values of the flow between the virtual area and the real areas. This column is interpreted as a production of electricity: it is positive if the flow from the virtual area to the real area is positive and negative otherwise. If parameter `newCols` is FALSE, the values are added to the variable `PSP` and the columns is removed.
- If the parameter `production` is specified, then the non null productions of the virtual areas are either added to the ones of the real areas they are connected to if `newCols = FALSE` or put in new columns if `newCols = TRUE`. In the second case the columns are named `*_virtual` where "\*" is a type of production (wind, solar, nuclear, ...). Productions that are zero for all virtual areas are omitted. If virtual production areas contains clusters then they will be move to the real area.
- Finally, virtual areas and the links connected to them are removed from the data.

The functions makes a few assumptions about the network. if they are violated it will not act correctly:

- storage/flexibility areas can be connected to other storage/flexibility areas (hubs), but at least one of them is connected to a real area. That means that there is no group of virtual areas disconnected from the real network. If such a group exists, you can either remove them manually or simply not import them.
- production areas are connected to one and only one real area. They cannot be connected to virtual areas. But a real area may be connected to several production areas.

## Value

An `antaresDataList` object in which virtual areas have been removed and data of the real has been corrected. See details for an explanation of the corrections.

## Examples

```
## Not run:

# Assume we have a network with two virtual areas acting as pump storage and
# an area representing offshore production
#
# offshore
#   |
# real area - psp in
#           \
#             psp out
#

data <- readAntares(areas="all", links="all")

# Remove pump storage virtual areas

correctedData <- removeVirtualAreas(data,
                                     storageFlexibility = c("psp in", "psp out"),
                                     production = "offshore")

## End(Not run)
```

---

setRam

*Specify RAM limit*

---

## Description

This function specify RAM limit (in Go) of the value returned by [readAntares](#).

## Usage

```
setRam(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    numeric RAM limit in Go

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
#Set maximum ram to used to 50 Go
setRam(50)

## End(Not run)
```

---

setSimulationPath      *Set Path to an Antares simulation*

---

**Description**

This function has to be used before the read functions. It sets the path to the Antares simulation to work on and other useful options (list of areas, links, areas with clusters, variables, etc.).

**Usage**

```
setSimulationPath(path, simulation = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

path                    (optional) Path to the simulation. It can either be the path to a directory containing an antares project or directly to the directory containing the output of a simulation. If missing, a window opens and lets the user choose the directory of the simulation interactively. Can also choose .h5 file, if rhdf5 is installed.

simulation              (optional) Only used if "path" represents the path of a study and not of the output of a simulation. It can be either the name of the simulation or a number indicating which simulation to use. It is possible to use negative values to select a simulation from the last one: for instance -1 will select the most recent simulation, -2 will the penultimate one, etc. There are two special values 0 and "input" that tells the function that the user is not interested by the results of any simulation, but only by the inputs. In such a case, the function [readAntares](#) is unavailable.

**Details**

The simulation choosen with setSimulationPath becomes the default simulation for all functions of the package. This behavior is fine when working on only one simulation, but it may become problematic when working on multiple simulations at same time.

In such case, you can store the object returned by the function in a variable and pass this variable to the functions of the package (see examples).

**Value**

A list containing various information about the simulation, in particular:

studyPath	path of the Antares study
simPath	path of the simulation
inputPath	path of the input folder of the study
studyName	Name of the study
simDataPath	path of the folder containing the data of the simulation
name	name of the simulation
mode	type of simulation: economy, adequacy, draft or input
synthesis	Are synthetic results available ?
yearByYear	Are the results for each Monte Carlo simulation available ?
scenarios	Are the Monte-Carlo scenarii stored in output ? This is important to reconstruct some input time series that have been used in each Monte-Carlo simulation.
mcYears	Vector containing the number of the exported Monte-Carlo scenarios
antaresVersion	Version of Antares used to run the simulation.
areaList	Vector of the available areas.
districtList	Vector of the available districts.
linkList	Vector of the available links.
areasWithClusters	Vector of areas containing clusters.
variables	Available variables for areas, districts and links.
parameters	Other parameters of the simulation.
timeIdMin	Minimum time id of the simulation. It is generally equal to one but can be higher if working on a subperiod.
timeIdMax	maximum time id of the simulation.
start	Date of the first day of the year in the simulation. This date corresponds to timeId = 1.
firstWeekday	First day of the week.
districtsDef	data.table containing the specification of the districts.
energyCosts	list containing the cost of spilled and unsupplied energy.

**See Also**

[simOptions](#), [readAntares](#), [readLayout](#), [readClusterDesc](#), [readBindingConstraints](#)

**Examples**

```

## Not run:
# Select interactively a study. It only works on windows.

setSimulationPath()

# Specify path of the study. Note: if there are more than one simulation
# output in the study, the function will asks the user to interactively choose
# one simulation.

setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study")

# Select the first simulation of a study

setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", 1)

# Select the last simulation of a study

setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", -1)

# Select a simulation by name

setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", "name of the simulation")

# Just need to read input data

setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", "input")
# or
setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", 0)

# WORKING WITH MULTIPLE SIMULATIONS
#-----
# Let us assume ten simulations have been run and we want to collect the
# variable "LOAD" for each area. We can create a list containing options
# for each simulation and iterate through this list.

opts <- lapply(1:10, function(i) {
  setSimulationPath("path_of_the_folder_of_the_study", i)
})

output <- lapply(opts, function(o) {
  res <- readAntares(areas = "all", select = "LOAD", timeStep = "monthly", opts = o)
  # Add a column "simulation" containing the name of the simulation
  res$simulation <- o$name
  res
})

# Concatenate all the tables in one super table
output <- rbindlist(output)

```



```

# Reshape output for easier comparisons: one line per timeId and one column
# per simulation
output <- dcast(output, timeId + areaId ~ simulation, value.var = "LOAD")

output

# Quick visualization
matplot(output[area == area[1], !c("area", "timeId")], with = FALSE,
        type = "l")

## End(Not run)

```

---

showAliases

*show aliases for variables*


---

## Description

show aliases for variables

Aliases are short names that can be used in the `select` parameter in function `readAntares` to tell the function which columns and/or type of data to import.

`setAlias` can be used to create a new alias. It can be especially useful for package developers to help their users select the data required by their packages.

`showAliases` lists available aliases

## Usage

```
showAliases(names = NULL)
```

```
setAlias(name, desc, select)
```

## Arguments

<code>names</code>	optional vector of alias names. If provided, the full list of columns selected by these aliases is displayed. Else only the name and a short description of all aliases is displayed.
<code>name</code>	Alias name
<code>desc</code>	Short description indicating why the new alias is interesting
<code>select</code>	character vector containing columns and/or types of data to import.

## Value

`setAlias` is only used for its side effects. A data.frame with columns `'name'`, `'desc'` and `'select'`. `showAliases` invisibly returns a data.frame with columns `"name"`, `"desc"` and `"select"`.

## Examples

```
# Display the short description of an alias
showAliases()

# Display the full description of an alias
showAliases("renewable")

## Not run:
# Create a new alias that imports flows
setAlias("test", "short description", c("links", "FLOW LIN.))
showAliases()

## End(Not run)
```

---

simOptions

*Extract simulation options*

---

## Description

The function [readAntares](#) stores in its output the options used to read some data (path of the study, area list, link list, start date, etc.).

## Usage

```
simOptions(x = NULL)
```

## Arguments

x                    object of class `antaresTable` or `antaresData`

## Details

`simOptions` extracts these options from an object of class `antaresTable` or `antaresOutput`. It can be useful when working on multiple simulations, either to check how some object has been created or to use it in some functions like [getAreas](#) or [getLinks](#)

If the parameter of the function is `NULL`, it returns the default simulation options, that is the options set by [setSimulationPath](#) the last time it was run.

## Value

list of options used to read the data contained in an object or the last simulation options read by [setSimulationPath](#) if `x` is `NULL`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
  setSimulationPath(study1)

  simOptions() # returns the options for study 1

  data <- readAntares()

  # Choose a different study
  setSimulationPath(study2)

  simOptions() # returns the options for study 2

  getAreas() # returns the areas of the second study
  getAreas(opts = simOptions(data)) # returns the areas of the first study

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
subset.antaresDataList
```

*Subset an antaresDataList*

---

**Description**

Subset method for antaresDataList.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'antaresDataList'
subset(x, y = NULL, areas = NULL,
       timeIds = NULL, mcYears = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class antaresDataList created with <a href="#">readAntares</a> .
y	A table containing at least one of the columns "area", "timeId" or "mcYear". If it is not NULL, then only tuples (area, timeId, mcYear) present in this table are kept.
areas	Vector of area names to keep in the result. If NULL, all areas are kept.
timeIds	Vector of time ids to keep. If NULL, all time ids are kept.
mcYears	Vector of monte-carlo years to keep. If NULL, all time ids are kept.
...	Currently unused.

**Value**

A filtered antaresDataList.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
#keep only the first year
mydata <- readAntares(areas = "all", links = "all", mcYears = "all")
mySubset<-subset(mydata, mcYears = 1)

#keep only the first year for areas a and b
mydata <- readAntares(areas = "all", links = "all", mcYears = "all")
mySubset<-subset(mydata, mcYears = 1, areas=c("a", "b"))

#' #keep only the first year for areas a and b and timeIds include in 5:16
mydata <- readAntares(areas = "all", links = "all", mcYears = "all")
mySubset<-subset(mydata, mcYears = 1, areas=c("a", "b"), timeIds=5:16)

## End(Not run)
```

---

viewAntares

*View the content of an antares output*


---

**Description**

This function displays each element of an antaresData object in a spreadsheet-like viewer.

**Usage**

```
viewAntares(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class antaresData, generated by the function <a href="#">readAntares</a> .
...	Currently unused

**Value**

Invisible NULL.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
setSimulationPath()

areas <-readAntares()
viewAntares(areas)

output <- studyAntares(areas="all", links = "all", clusters = "all")
viewAntares(output) # Opens three data viewers for each element of output
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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writeAntaresH5	<i>Convert antares output to h5 file</i>
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## Description

Convert antares output to h5 file

## Usage

```
writeAntaresH5(path = NULL, timeSteps = c("hourly", "daily", "weekly",
  "monthly", "annual"), opts = simOptions(), writeMcAll = TRUE,
  compress = 1, misc = FALSE, thermalAvailabilities = FALSE,
  hydroStorage = FALSE, hydroStorageMaxPower = FALSE, reserve = FALSE,
  linkCapacity = FALSE, mustRun = FALSE, thermalModulation = FALSE,
  allData = FALSE, writeAllSimulations = FALSE, nbCores = 4,
  removeVirtualAreas = FALSE, storageFlexibility = NULL,
  production = NULL, reassignCosts = FALSE, newCols = TRUE,
  overwrite = FALSE, supressMessages = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

path	character folder where h5 file will be write (default NULL)
timeSteps	character timeSteps
opts	list of simulation parameters returned by the function <a href="#">setSimulationPath</a> . Default to <code>antaresRead::simOptions()</code>
writeMcAll	boolean write mc-all
compress	numeric compress level
misc	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
thermalAvailabilities	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
hydroStorage	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
hydroStorageMaxPower	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
reserve	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
linkCapacity	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
mustRun	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
thermalModulation	boolean see <a href="#">readAntares</a>
allData	boolean add all data with a single call (writeMcAll, misc, thermalAvailabilities, hydroStorage, hydroStorageMaxPower reserve, linkCapacity, mustRun, thermalModulation).

writeAllSimulations      boolean, write all simulations of your antares study.

nbCores                numeric, number of cores to use, only used if writeAllSimulations is TRUE

removeVirtualAreas     boolean, remove virtual areas, see [removeVirtualAreas](#)

storageFlexibility     character or list, see [removeVirtualAreas](#)

production            character or list, see [removeVirtualAreas](#)

reassignCosts         boolean or list, see [removeVirtualAreas](#)

newCols               boolean or list, see [removeVirtualAreas](#)

overwrite             boolean or list, overwrite old file

supressMessages       boolean, supress messages from [readAntares](#) and [removeVirtualAreas](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Write simulation one by one
setSimulationPath("C:/Users/MyUser/Mystudy", 1)
writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY")

# Write all simulations
setSimulationPath("C:/Users/MyUser/Mystudy")
writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY", writeAllSimulations = TRUE)

# Choose timestep to write
setSimulationPath("C:/Users/MyUser/Mystudy", 1)
writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY", timeSteps = "hourly")

# Write with additionnal information
writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY", timeSteps = "hourly",
  misc = TRUE, thermalAvailabilities = TRUE,
  hydroStorage = TRUE, hydroStorageMaxPower = TRUE, reserve = TRUE,
  linkCapacity = TRUE, mustRun = TRUE, thermalModulation = TRUE)

# Write all data with a shorcut
writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY", allData = TRUE)

#Remove virtuals areas

writeAntaresH5(path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY", timeSteps = "hourly", overwrite = TRUE,
  writeMcAll = FALSE, removeVirtualAreas = TRUE,
  storageFlexibility = "psp in-2",
  production = NULL, reassignCosts =FALSE, newCols = TRUE)

#Remove virtuals areas more than one call
writeAntaresH5(
  path="PATH_TO_YOUR_STUDY",
  timeSteps = "hourly",
```

```
overwrite = TRUE,  
writeMcAll = FALSE,  
removeVirtualAreas = TRUE,  
storageFlexibility = list("psp out", "psp in-2"),  
production = list(NULL, NULL),  
reassignCosts = list(TRUE, FALSE),  
newCols = list(FALSE, TRUE)  
)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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