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| archiveTask | <i>Create an archive containing the files of a given task.</i> |
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Description

Create an archive containing the files of a given task.

Usage

```
archiveTask(task, file, overwrite = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| file | full name of the output zip file |
| overwrite | overwrite the output zip file if it exists |
| ... | Arguments passed on to utils::zip |
| zipfile | The pathname of the zip file: tilde expansion (see path.expand) will be performed. |
| files | A character vector of recorded filepaths to be included. |
| flags | A character string of flags to be passed to the command: see 'Details'. |
| extras | An optional character vector: see 'Details'. |
| zip | A character string specifying the external command to be used. |

Value

the archive file name invisibly.

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| binaryDir | <i>Get path of binary directory.</i> |
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Description

Get path of binary directory.

Usage

```
binaryDir(task, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

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|----------|---------------------------------|
| binaryFn | <i>Get path of binary file.</i> |
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Description

Get path of binary file.

Usage

```
binaryFn(task, type, ext = "rds", subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

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| catReport | <i>Output R object using function cat.</i> |
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Description

Output R object using function cat.

Usage

```
catReport(  
  x,  
  task,  
  type,  
  ext = "txt",  
  subdir = NULL,  
  dirCreate = TRUE,  
  sep = "\n",  
  eof = "\n",  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | R object to output. |
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| sep | separator |
| eof | EOF |
| ... | Arguments passed on to base::cat |

Value

the file name invisibly.

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|----------|---------------------|
| D4getenv | <i>Get env var.</i> |
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Description

Get env var.

Usage

```
D4getenv(name, desc, quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| name | name of variable |
| desc | description of variable |
| quiet | suppress error messages, default=FALSE. |

Value

Environment variable.

D4TALink-common-args *Arguments used across the functions of the D4TALink package.*

Description

Arguments used across the functions of the D4TALink package.

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| author | Author name, system username by default. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |
| rootpath | Path of the task repository, default set by setTaskRoot . |
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator"-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| suffix | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |

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|-----------|--|
| dirType | Directory type, e.g. 'bin' or 'data' or 'doc'. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| pathgen | optional function returning a list of paths, currently pathsGLPG or pathsPMS . |

Value

No return value, used for the documentation of the functions of the package.

D4TAlinkTask

D4TAlinkTask *Documentation of the D4TAlinkTask class*

Description

The D4TAlinkTask object is created by the [initTask](#) function. This object is a list containing the task properties:

- task: task name
- package: package name
- project: project name
- sponsor: sponsor name
- author: author name
- copyright: copyright, by default 'Copyright (c) [sponsor] [year]'
- 'date': date of the task initialization, formatted as 'year-month-day'
- 'footer': footer for the task, e.g., 'Copyright (c) [sponsor] [year] - CONFIDENTIAL'
- 'version': string with task version, '0.0' at the initialization
- dependencies: information on R versions and names of loaded/attached dependencies and corresponding versions

There are different functions dedicated for this D4TAlinkTask object:

- [taskID](#): Get ID

Value

Not relevant

Examples

```

## Not run:
# set D4TAlink's global parameters
setTaskAuthor("Doe Johns")
setTaskSponsor("mySponsor")

# Create data repository
setTaskRoot(file.path(tempdir(),"D4TAlink_example001"),dirCreate=TRUE)

# Create a task
task <- initTask(project="myProject",
                 package="myPackage",
                 taskname=sprintf("%s_myTask",format(Sys.time(),"%Y%m%d")))

# Output a plot to a PDF file
file <- pdfReport(task,c("plots",1),dim=c(100,100))
opa <- par()$ask
par(ask=FALSE)
hist(rnorm(100))
par(ask=opa)
dev.off()
# View the plot:
utils::browseURL(file)

# Output tables to an Excel file
d <- list(letters=data.frame(a=LETTERS,b=letters,c=1:length(letters)),
         other=data.frame(a=1:3,b=11:13))
file <- saveReportXls(d,task,"table")
utils::browseURL(file)

# Save an R object to a binary file
saveBinary(d,task,"data")
e <- readBinary(task,"data")
if(!all(names(e)%in%names(d))) stop("error [1]")

# Create and render R markdown file
initTaskRmd(task,overwrite=TRUE)
file <- renderTaskRmd(task) # requires having run 'tinytex::install_tinytex()'
utils::browseURL(file)

# Delete new data repository
unlink(getTaskRoot(),recursive=TRUE)

## End(Not run)

```

datasourceDir

Get path of data source directory.

Description

Get path of data source directory.

Usage

```
datasourceDir(task, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

task Object of class [D4TALinkTask](#), as created by [initTask](#).
subdir (optional) Subdirectory.
dirCreate Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created.

Value

File path.

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|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| datasourceFn | <i>Get path of data source file.</i> |
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Description

Get path of data source file.

Usage

```
datasourceFn(task, filename, subdir = ".", dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

task Object of class [D4TALinkTask](#), as created by [initTask](#).
filename name of the input file.
subdir (optional) Subdirectory.
dirCreate Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created.

Value

File path.

| | |
|--------|---|
| docDir | <i>Get path of documentation directory.</i> |
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Description

Get path of documentation directory.

Usage

```
docDir(task, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|-------|--|
| docFn | <i>Get path of documentation file.</i> |
|-------|--|

Description

Get path of documentation file.

Usage

```
docFn(task, type, ext, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

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|-----|--------------------------|
| DTx | <i>Generic function.</i> |
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Description

Generic function.

Usage

```
DTx(sponsor = getTaskSponsor(), task = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |

Value

NULL.

| | |
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| formatTaskDocx | <i>Replace default task fields in 'docx' file.</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

Replace default task fields in 'docx' file.

Usage

```
formatTaskDocx(task, ifn)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| ifn | input file name. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

`getTaskAuthor` *Get the name of the task author.*

Description

Get the name of the task author.

Usage

```
getTaskAuthor(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`quiet` suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

The current name of the tasks author.

Examples

```
getTaskAuthor(quiet=TRUE)
```

`getTaskEnckey` *Get the encryption key for binary data files.*

Description

Get the encryption key for binary data files.

Usage

```
getTaskEnckey(ask = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`ask` query encryption key from user, default FALSE.

Value

The encryption key invisibly.

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| getTaskFilepath | <i>Get the path of a file.</i> |
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Description

Get the path of a file.

Usage

```
getTaskFilepath(task, type, ext, dirtype, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| dirtype | task directory where file is stored, i.e., 'documentation', 'code', 'data', 'data source' or 'binary data'. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

Full path to file.

| | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| getTaskPaths | <i>Get the paths of the task.</i> |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|

Description

Get the paths of the task.

Usage

```
getTaskPaths(task)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
|------|---|

Value

List of task's paths.

getTaskRmdTemplate *Get the path to the Rmd task template.*

Description

Get the path to the Rmd task template.

Usage

```
getTaskRmdTemplate(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

quiet suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

The path to the Rmd task template.

getTaskRoot *Get the root of the task repository.*

Description

Get the root of the task repository.

Usage

```
getTaskRoot(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

quiet suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

Path to the current task root.

Examples

```
getTaskRoot(quiet=TRUE)
```

`getTaskRscriptTemplate`

Get the path to the R script task template.

Description

Get the path to the R script task template.

Usage

```
getTaskRscriptTemplate(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`quiet` suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

The path to the R script task template.

`getTaskSponsor`

Get the name of the task sponsor.

Description

Get the name of the task sponsor.

Usage

```
getTaskSponsor(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`quiet` suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

The current name of the tasks sponsor.

Examples

```
getTaskSponsor(quiet=TRUE)
```

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|------------------|--|
| getTaskStructure | <i>Get repository directory structure.</i> |
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Description

Get repository directory structure.

Usage

```
getTaskStructure(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

quiet suppress error messages, default=FALSE.

Value

The directory structure function.

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|----------|--------------------------|
| initTask | <i>Initialize a task</i> |
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Description

During the initialization:

- The folder structure for the task is created in the data repository.
- The task properties are also saved in rds and json format.

Please note that it is recommended to load packages for your analysis before initializing the task.

Usage

```
initTask(  
  project,  
  package,  
  taskname,  
  sponsor = getTaskSponsor(),  
  author = getTaskAuthor(),  
  dirCreate = TRUE,  
  templateCreate = FALSE,  
  overwrite = FALSE  
)
```


Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |
| author | Author name, system username by default. |
| dirCreate | logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory structure for the task is created in the repository. |
| templateCreate | create the prefilled Rmd template for the task, default value: FALSE. |
| overwrite | logical, if TRUE and the task already exists, overwrite its parameters. |

Value

[D4TAlinkTask](#) object

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|-------------|--|
| initTaskRmd | <i>Create task template in Rmd format.</i> |
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Description

Create task template in Rmd format.

Usage

```
initTaskRmd(task, encoding = "unknown", overwrite = FALSE, suffix = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| encoding | encoding to be assumed for input strings. It is used to mark character strings as known to be in Latin-1, UTF-8 or to be bytes: it is not used to re-encode the input. To do the latter, specify the encoding as part of the connection con or via options (encoding=): see the examples and ‘Details’. |
| overwrite | overwrite Rmd file if exists, default FALSE |
| suffix | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

`initTaskRscript` *Create task R script.*

Description

Create task R script.

Usage

```
initTaskRscript(task, overwrite = FALSE, encoding = "unknown", suffix = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>task</code> | Object of class <code>D4TALinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| <code>overwrite</code> | overwrite R file if exists, default FALSE |
| <code>encoding</code> | encoding to be assumed for input strings. It is used to mark character strings as known to be in Latin-1, UTF-8 or to be bytes: it is not used to re-encode the input. To do the latter, specify the encoding as part of the connection <code>con</code> or via <code>options(encoding=)</code> : see the examples and ‘Details’. |
| <code>suffix</code> | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

`jpegReport` *Graphics devices for JPEG format bitmap files.*

Description

Graphics devices for JPEG format bitmap files.

Usage

```
jpegReport(
  task,
  type,
  ext = "jpg",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  dim = c(500, 500),
  width = NULL,
  height = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Should be plotting be done using Windows GDI or cairographics? |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| dim | device height and width in px. |
| width | device height in px. |
| height | device height in px. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to grDevices::jpeg |
| filename | the path of the output file, up to 511 characters. The page number is substituted if a C integer format is included in the character string, as in the default, and tilde-expansion is performed (see path.expand). (The result must be less than 600 characters long. See postscript for further details.) |
| units | The units in which height and width are given. Can be px (pixels, the default), in (inches), cm or mm. |
| pointsize | the default pointsize of plotted text, interpreted as big points (1/72 inch) at res ppi. |
| bg | the initial background colour: can be overridden by setting <code>par("bg")</code> . |
| quality | the 'quality' of the JPEG image, as a percentage. Smaller values will give more compression but also more degradation of the image. |
| res | The nominal resolution in ppi which will be recorded in the bitmap file, if a positive integer. Also used for units other than the default. If not specified, taken as 72 ppi to set the size of text and line widths. |
| family | A length-one character vector specifying the default font family. The default means to use the font numbers on the Windows GDI versions and "sans" on the cairographics versions. |
| restoreConsole | See the 'Details' section of windows . For type == "windows" only. |
| antialias | Length-one character vector. For allowed values and their effect on fonts with type = "windows" see windows : for that type if the argument is missing the default is taken from <code>windows.options()\$bitmap.aa.win</code> . For allowed values and their effect (on fonts and lines, but not fills) with type = "cairo" see svg . |
| symbolfamily | For cairographics only: a length-one character string that specifies the font family to be used as the "symbol" font (e.g., for plotmath output). The default value is "default", which means that R will choose a default "symbol" font based on the graphics device capabilities. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

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| jpegReportFn | <i>Get path of jpeg output file.</i> |
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Description

Get path of jpeg output file.

Usage

```
jpegReportFn(task, type, ext = "jpg", subdir = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |

Value

File path.

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| listTaskFiles | <i>List the files associated to a task.</i> |
|---------------|---|

Description

List the files associated to a task.

Usage

```
listTaskFiles(task, full.names = FALSE, which = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| full.names | a logical value. If TRUE, the directory path is prepended to the file names to give a relative file path. If FALSE, the file names (rather than paths) are returned. |
| which | list of file types to list. |

Value

array of file names.

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|-----------|--|
| listTasks | <i>List details of all tasks stored in the root directory.</i> |
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Description

List details of all tasks stored in the root directory.

Usage

```
listTasks(  
    project = NULL,  
    package = NULL,  
    sponsor = NULL,  
    rootpath = getTaskRoot()  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |
| rootpath | Path of the task repository, default set by setTaskRoot . |

Value

[data.frame](#) with the following information for tasks "sponsor", "project", "package", "task".

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|----------|---------------------|
| loadTask | <i>Load a task.</i> |
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Description

Load a task.

Usage

```
loadTask(  
    project,  
    package,  
    taskname,  
    sponsor = getTaskSponsor(),  
    author = getTaskAuthor(),  
    quiet = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |
| author | Author name, system username by default. |
| quiet | issue warning if file does not exists. |

Value

Object of class [D4TAlinkTask](#) or NULL if the task does not exists.

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| pathsDefault | <i>Task paths generator.</i> |
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Description

The paths are: datasrc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/raw/datasource data: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/output/data
 bin: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/output/[taskname]/bin code: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/progs
 doc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/docs log: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/output/log

Usage

```
pathsDefault(project, package, taskname, sponsor)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |

Value

a list of file paths

pathsGLPG *Task paths generator.*

Description

The paths are: datasrc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/raw/datasource data: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/ou
 bin: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/output/adhoc/[taskname]/bin code: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/progs
 doc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/docs log: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/[project]/[package]/output/log

Usage

pathsGLPG(project, package, taskname, sponsor)

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |

Value

a list of file paths

pathsPMS *Task paths generator.*

Description

The paths are: datasrc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_data/[project]/[package]/datasource data: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_data/[pro
 bin: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_data/[project]/[package]/[taskname]/bin code: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_code/[project]/[packag
 doc: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_documentation/[project]/[package]/[taskname] log: [ROOT]/[sponsor]/PMS_data/[project]/[p

Usage

pathsPMS(project, package, taskname, sponsor)

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| project | Project name. |
| package | Package name. |
| taskname | Task name. |
| sponsor | Sponsor name, default set by setTaskSponsor . |

Value

a list of file paths

pdfReport

*Graphics devices for pdf format bitmap files.***Description**

Graphics devices for pdf format bitmap files.

Usage

```
pdfReport(
  task,
  type,
  ext = "pdf",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  title = NA,
  file = NA,
  dim = c(297, 210),
  height = NULL,
  width = NULL,
  landscape = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| title | title string to embed as the <code>'/Title'</code> field in the file. Defaults to "R Graphics Output". |
| file | a character string giving the file path. If it is of the form " <code> cmd</code> ", the output is piped to the command given by <code>cmd</code> . If it is NULL, then no external file is created (effectively, no drawing occurs), but the device may still be queried (e.g., for size of text). For use with <code>onefile = FALSE</code> give a C integer format such as " <code>Rplot%03d.pdf</code> " (the default in that case). (See postscript for further details.) Tilde expansion (see path.expand) is done. An input with a marked encoding is converted to the native encoding or an error is given. |
| dim | device height and width in mm. |
| height | device height in mm. |

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|--------------|--|
| width | device height in mm. |
| landscape | if defined, orientation of the document. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to <code>grDevices::pdf</code> |
| width,height | the width and height of the graphics region in inches. The default values are 7. |
| onfile | logical: if true (the default) allow multiple figures in one file. If false, generate a file with name containing the page number for each page. Defaults to TRUE, and forced to true if file is a pipe. |
| family | the font family to be used, see postscript . Defaults to "Helvetica". |
| fonts | a character vector specifying R graphics font family names for additional fonts which will be included in the PDF file. Defaults to NULL. |
| version | a string describing the PDF version that will be required to view the output. This is a minimum, and will be increased (with a warning) if necessary. Defaults to "1.4", but see 'Details'. |
| paper | the target paper size. The choices are "a4", "letter", "legal" (or "us") and "executive" (and these can be capitalized), or "a4r" and "USr" for rotated ('landscape'). The default is "special", which means that the width and height specify the paper size. A further choice is "default"; if this is selected, the papersize is taken from the option "papersize" if that is set and as "a4" if it is unset or empty. Defaults to "special". |
| encoding | the name of an encoding file. See postscript for details. Defaults to "default". |
| bg | the initial background color to be used. Defaults to "transparent". |
| fg | the initial foreground color to be used. Defaults to "black". |
| pointsize | the default point size to be used. Strictly speaking, in bp, that is 1/72 of an inch, but approximately in points. Defaults to 12. |
| pagecentre | logical: should the device region be centred on the page? – is only relevant for paper != "special". Defaults to TRUE. |
| colormodel | a character string describing the color model: currently allowed values are "srgb", "gray" (or "grey") and "cmyk". Defaults to "srgb". See section 'Color models'. |
| useDingbats | logical. Should small circles be rendered <i>via</i> the Dingbats font? Defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, this can produce smaller and better output, but there can font display problems in broken PDF viewers: although this font is one of the 14 guaranteed to be available in all PDF viewers, that guarantee is not always honoured. For Unix-alikes (including macOS) see the 'Note' for a possible fix for some viewers. |
| useKerning | logical. Should kerning corrections be included in setting text and calculating string widths? Defaults to TRUE. |
| fillOddEven | logical controlling the polygon fill mode: see polygon for details. Defaults to FALSE. |
| compress | logical. Should PDF streams be generated with Flate compression? Defaults to TRUE. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| pdfReportFn | <i>Get path of pdf output file.</i> |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

Get path of pdf output file.

Usage

```
pdfReportFn(task, type, ext = "pdf", subdir = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|-----------|--|
| pngReport | <i>Graphics devices for PNG format bitmap files.</i> |
|-----------|--|

Description

Graphics devices for PNG format bitmap files.

Usage

```
pngReport(
  task,
  type,
  ext = "png",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  dim = c(500, 500),
  width = NULL,
  height = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Should plotting be done using Windows GDI or cairographics? |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| dim | device height and width in px. |
| width | device height in px. |
| height | device height in px. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to grDevices::png |
| filename | the path of the output file, up to 511 characters. The page number is substituted if a C integer format is included in the character string, as in the default, and tilde-expansion is performed (see path.expand). (The result must be less than 600 characters long. See postscript for further details.) |
| units | The units in which height and width are given. Can be px (pixels, the default), in (inches), cm or mm. |
| pointsize | the default pointsize of plotted text, interpreted as big points (1/72 inch) at res ppi. |
| bg | the initial background colour: can be overridden by setting <code>par("bg")</code> . |
| res | The nominal resolution in ppi which will be recorded in the bitmap file, if a positive integer. Also used for units other than the default. If not specified, taken as 72 ppi to set the size of text and line widths. |
| family | A length-one character vector specifying the default font family. The default means to use the font numbers on the Windows GDI versions and "sans" on the cairographics versions. |
| restoreConsole | See the 'Details' section of windows . For type == "windows" only. |
| antialias | Length-one character vector. For allowed values and their effect on fonts with type = "windows" see windows : for that type if the argument is missing the default is taken from <code>windows.options()\$bitmap.aa.win</code> . For allowed values and their effect (on fonts and lines, but not fills) with type = "cairo" see svg . |
| symbolfamily | For cairographics only: a length-one character string that specifies the font family to be used as the "symbol" font (e.g., for plotmath output). The default value is "default", which means that R will choose a default "symbol" font based on the graphics device capabilities. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| pngReportFn | <i>Get path of png output file.</i> |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

Get path of png output file.

Usage

```
pngReportFn(task, type, ext = "png", subdir = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|
| progDir | <i>Get path of scripts directory.</i> |
|---------|---------------------------------------|

Description

Get path of scripts directory.

Usage

```
progDir(task, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|------------|---|
| readBinary | <i>Restore R object from binary file.</i> |
|------------|---|

Description

Restore R object from binary file.

Usage

```
readBinary(
  task,
  type,
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = FALSE,
  ask = FALSE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  password = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| ask | query encryption key from user, default FALSE. |
| quiet | issue warning if file does not exists. |
| password | encryption password, default NULL |

Value

Object stored in binary file, or NULL if file does not exist.

| | |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| readReportJSON | <i>Read JSON data into R object.</i> |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|

Description

Read JSON data into R object.

Usage

```
readReportJSON(task, type, ext = "json", subdir = NULL, dirCreate = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

the data read, or NULL if the file does not exist.

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| readReportTable | <i>Read data into vector or list using function scan.</i> |
|-----------------|---|

Description

Read data into vector or list using function [scan](#).

Usage

```
readReportTable(task, type, ext = "csv", subdir = NULL, dirCreate = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to utils::read.csv |

file the name of the file which the data are to be read from. Each row of the table appears as one line of the file. If it does not contain an *absolute* path, the file name is *relative* to the current working directory, [getwd\(\)](#). Tilde-expansion is performed where supported. This can be a compressed file (see [file](#)).

Alternatively, file can be a readable text-mode [connection](#) (which will be opened for reading if necessary, and if so [closed](#) (and hence destroyed) at the end of the function call). (If [stdin\(\)](#) is used, the prompts for lines may be somewhat confusing. Terminate input with a blank line or an EOF signal, Ctrl-D on Unix and Ctrl-Z on Windows. Any pushback on [stdin\(\)](#) will be cleared before return.)

file can also be a complete URL. (For the supported URL schemes, see the 'URLs' section of the help for [url](#).)

- header** a logical value indicating whether the file contains the names of the variables as its first line. If missing, the value is determined from the file format: `header` is set to `TRUE` if and only if the first row contains one fewer field than the number of columns.
- sep** the field separator character. Values on each line of the file are separated by this character. If `sep = ""` (the default for `read.table`) the separator is 'white space', that is one or more spaces, tabs, newlines or carriage returns.
- quote** the set of quoting characters. To disable quoting altogether, use `quote = ""`. See [scan](#) for the behaviour on quotes embedded in quotes. Quoting is only considered for columns read as `character`, which is all of them unless `colClasses` is specified.
- dec** the character used in the file for decimal points.
- fill** logical. If `TRUE` then in case the rows have unequal length, blank fields are implicitly added. See 'Details'.
- comment.char** character: a character vector of length one containing a single character or an empty string. Use `""` to turn off the interpretation of comments altogether.

Value

the data read, or `NULL` if the file does not exist.

| | |
|---------------|--|
| renderTaskRmd | <i>Render the task from the Rmd file</i> |
|---------------|--|

Description

The template of the task is rendered towards pdf or html in the documentation directory of the specified task.

Usage

```
renderTaskRmd(
  task,
  output_format = NULL,
  debug = FALSE,
  clean = TRUE,
  suffix = NA,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`task` Object of class [D4TALinkTask](#), as created by [initTask](#).

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| output_format | The R Markdown output format to convert to. The option "all" will render all formats defined within the file. The option can be the name of a format (e.g. "html_document") and that will render the document to that single format. One can also use a vector of format names to render to multiple formats. Alternatively, you can pass an output format object (e.g. <code>html_document()</code>). If using NULL then the output format is the first one defined in the YAML frontmatter in the input file (this defaults to HTML if no format is specified there). If you pass an output format object to <code>output_format</code> , the options specified in the YAML header or <code>_output.yml</code> will be ignored and you must explicitly set all the options you want when you construct the object. If you pass a string, the output format will use the output parameters in the YAML header or <code>_output.yml</code> . |
| debug | if TRUE execute in the global environment. |
| clean | Using TRUE will clean intermediate files that are created during rendering. |
| suffix | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to <code>rmarkdown::render</code> |
| input | The input file to be rendered. This can be an R script (.R), an R Markdown document (.Rmd), or a plain markdown document. |
| output_file | The name of the output file. If using NULL then the output filename will be based on filename for the input file. If a filename is provided, a path to the output file can also be provided. Note that the <code>output_dir</code> option allows for specifying the output file path as well, however, if also specifying the path, the directory must exist. If <code>output_file</code> is specified but does not have a file extension, an extension will be automatically added according to the output format. To avoid the automatic file extension, put the <code>output_file</code> value in <code>I()</code> , e.g., <code>I('my-output')</code> . |
| output_dir | The output directory for the rendered <code>output_file</code> . This allows for a choice of an alternate directory to which the output file should be written (the default output directory of that of the input file). If a path is provided with a filename in <code>output_file</code> the directory specified here will take precedence. Please note that any directory path provided will create any necessary directories if they do not exist. |
| output_options | List of output options that can override the options specified in metadata (e.g. <code>could</code> be used to force <code>self_contained</code> or <code>mathjax = "local"</code>). Note that this is only valid when the output format is read from metadata (i.e. not a custom format object passed to <code>output_format</code>). |
| output_yaml | Paths to YAML files specifying output formats and their configurations. The first existing one is used. If none are found, then the function searches YAML files specified to the <code>output_yaml</code> top-level parameter in the YAML front matter, <code>_output.yml</code> or <code>_output.yaml</code> , and then uses the first existing one. |
| intermediates_dir | Intermediate files directory. If a path is specified then intermediate files will be written to that path. If NULL, intermediate files are written to the same directory as the input file. |
| knit_root_dir | The working directory in which to knit the document; uses knitr's <code>root.dir</code> knitr option. If NULL then the behavior will follow the knitr default, which is to use the parent directory of the document. |

runtime The runtime target for rendering. The `static` option produces output intended for static files; `shiny` produces output suitable for use in a Shiny document (see [run](#)). The default, `auto`, allows the runtime target specified in the YAML metadata to take precedence, and renders for a static runtime target otherwise.

params A list of named parameters that override custom params specified within the YAML front-matter (e.g. specifying a dataset to read or a date range to confine output to). Pass "ask" to start an application that helps guide parameter configuration.

knit_meta (This option is reserved for expert use.) Metadata generated by **knitr**.

envir The environment in which the code chunks are to be evaluated during knitting (can use `new.env()` to guarantee an empty new environment).

run_pandoc An option for whether to run pandoc to convert Markdown output.

quiet An option to suppress printing during rendering from knitr, pandoc command line and others. To only suppress printing of the last "Output created: " message, you can set `rmarkdown.render.message` to `FALSE`

encoding Ignored. The encoding is always assumed to be UTF-8.

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| reportDir | <i>Get path of report directory.</i> |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|

Description

Get path of report directory.

Usage

```
reportDir(task, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class <code>D4TALinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if <code>TRUE</code> (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| reportFn | <i>Get path of output file.</i> |
|----------|---------------------------------|

Description

Get path of output file.

Usage

```
reportFn(task, type, ext, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| reportXlsFn | <i>Get path of xlsx output file.</i> |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|

Description

Get path of xlsx output file.

Usage

```
reportXlsFn(task, type, ext = "xlsx", subdir = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|-------------|--|
| restoreTask | <i>Restore an archive containing the files of a given task from a file created with archiveTask.</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

Restore an archive containing the files of a given task from a file created with archiveTask.

Usage

```
restoreTask(file, overwrite = FALSE, list = FALSE, code = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| file | full name of the input zip file |
| overwrite | If TRUE, overwrite existing files (the equivalent of <code>unzip -o</code>), otherwise ignore such files (the equivalent of <code>unzip -n</code>). |
| list | If TRUE, list the files and extract none. The equivalent of <code>unzip -l</code> . |
| code | restore code, default TRUE |
| ... | Arguments passed on to <code>utils::unzip</code> |

zipfile The pathname of the zip file: tilde expansion (see [path.expand](#)) will be performed.

files A character vector of recorded filepaths to be extracted: the default is to extract all files.

junkpaths If TRUE, use only the basename of the stored filepath when extracting. The equivalent of `unzip -j`.

exdir The directory to extract files to (the equivalent of `unzip -d`). It will be created if necessary.

unzip The method to be used. An alternative is to use `getOption("unzip")`, which on a Unix-alike may be set to the path to a unzip program.

setTimes logical. For the internal method only, should the file times be set based on the times in the zip file? (NB: this applies to included files, not to directories.)

Value

if list FALSE, the task imported incisibly, otherwise the list of files in the archive.

| | |
|-------|--|
| rmdFn | <i>Get path of R script file name.</i> |
|-------|--|

Description

Get path of R script file name.

Usage

```
rmdFn(task, suffix = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| suffix | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|-----------|--|
| rscriptFn | <i>Get path of R script file name.</i> |
|-----------|--|

Description

Get path of R script file name.

Usage

```
rscriptFn(task, suffix = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| suffix | Filename suffix, used to develop scripts for sub-analyses for a given task, default NA. |

Value

File path.

| | |
|------------|--------------------------------------|
| saveBinary | <i>Save R object in binary file.</i> |
|------------|--------------------------------------|

Description

Save R object in binary file.

Usage

```
saveBinary(
  object,
  task,
  type,
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  encrypt = FALSE,
  ask = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| object | R object to serialize. |
| task | Object of class <code>D4TAlinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| encrypt | encrypt the output, default: FALSE. If character string, then use the string as password. |
| ask | query encryption key from user, default FALSE. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|-------------|--|
| saveBinaryE | <i>Save R object in encrypted binary file.</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

Save R object in encrypted binary file.

Usage

```
saveBinaryE(object, task, type, subdir = NULL, dirCreate = TRUE, ask = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| object | R object to serialize. |
| task | Object of class <code>D4TALinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| ask | query encryption key from user, default FALSE. |

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|----------------|--|
| saveReportJSON | <i>Output R object in JSON format.</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

Output R object in JSON format.

Usage

```
saveReportJSON(
  x,
  task,
  type,
  ext = "json",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | R object to output. |
| task | Object of class <code>D4TALinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to <code>base::cat</code> |

Value

the file name invisibly.

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| saveReportTable | <i>Output R object using function write.csv.</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

Output R object using function [write.csv](#).

Usage

```
saveReportTable(  
  x,  
  task,  
  type,  
  ext = "csv",  
  subdir = NULL,  
  dirCreate = TRUE,  
  gzip = FALSE,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | R object to output. |
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| gzip | unused. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to utils::write.csv |

Value

the file name invisibly.

 saveReportXls

Save R object in binary file.

Description

Save R object in binary file.

Usage

```
saveReportXls(
  x,
  task,
  type,
  ext = "xlsx",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  AdjWidth = TRUE,
  FreezeRow = 1,
  FreezeCol = 3,
  metadata = "metadata",
  metadata.append = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | object to save. It can be either a data frame, an object of type <code>AnnotatedDataFrame</code> , or a list thereof. |
| task | Object of class <code>D4TALinkTask</code> , as created by <code>initTask</code> . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| AdjWidth | If TRUE, will adjust the worksheet column widths based upon the longest entry in each column. This is approximate. |
| FreezeRow | Rows including this row and above this row will be frozen and not scroll. The default value of 0 will scroll the entire sheet. Note that not all spreadsheet applications support this feature. |
| FreezeCol | Columns including this column and to the left of this column will be frozen and not scroll. The default value of 0 will scroll the entire sheet. Note that not all spreadsheet applications support this feature. |
| metadata | prefix for names of worksheets holding metadata. |

`metadata.append` array of metadata field names to be appended in header of tables.
`...` Arguments passed on to `WriteXLS::WriteXLS`
`ExcelFileName` The name of the Excel file to be created. If the file extension is `.XLS`, an Excel 2003 file will be created. If the file extension is `.XLSX`, an Excel 2007 file will be created. Must be a valid Excel filename. May include an existing path. `normalizePath` is used to support tilde expansion, etc.
`SheetNames` A character vector containing the names of each worksheet to be created. If `NULL` (the default), the names of the dataframes will be used instead. Worksheet names may be up to 31 characters in length and must be unique. If specified, `length(SheetNames)` must be the same as `length(x)`. NOTE: The order of the names here must match the order of the data frames as listed in `x`.
`perl` Name of the perl executable to be called.
`verbose` Output step-by-step status messages during the creation of the Excel file. Default is `FALSE`.
`Encoding` Define the character encoding to be used for the exported data frames. Defaults to `UTF-8`.
`AllText` If `TRUE`, all cell contents of the Excel file will be written as text. Default is `FALSE`. See Details.
`row.names` If `TRUE`, the row names of the data frames are included in the Excel file worksheets.
`col.names` If `TRUE`, the column names of the data frames are included in the Excel file worksheets.
`AutoFilter` If `TRUE`, will add autofiltering to each column in each worksheet. Note that not all spreadsheet applications support this feature.
`BoldHeaderRow` If `TRUE`, will apply a bold font to the header row for each worksheet.
`na` The string to use for missing values in the data. Defaults to `""`
`envir` The environment in which to look for the data frames named in `x`. This defaults to the environment in which `WriteXLS` was called.

Value

the file name invisibly.

scanReport

Read data into vector or list using function [scan](#).

Description

Read data into vector or list using function [scan](#).

Usage

```
scanReport(
  task,
  type,
  ext = "txt",
  subdir = NULL,
  dirCreate = TRUE,
  what = "",
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| task | Object of class D4TALinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| type | Filename type. If the type is an array, the cocatenation of the elements is used with separator "-". Filenames have the form [task name]_[type].[ext] |
| ext | Filename extension. |
| subdir | (optional) Subdirectory. |
| dirCreate | Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created. |
| what | the type of what gives the type of data to be read. (Here ‘type’ is used in the sense of typeof .) The supported types are logical, integer, numeric, complex, character, raw and list . If what is a list, it is assumed that the lines of the data file are records each containing length(what) items (‘fields’) and the list components should have elements which are one of the first six (atomic) types listed or NULL, see section ‘Details’ below. |
| ... | Arguments passed on to base::scan |
| file | the name of a file to read data values from. If the specified file is "", then input is taken from the keyboard (or whatever stdin() reads if input is redirected or R is embedded). (In this case input can be terminated by a blank line or an EOF signal, ‘Ctrl-D’ on Unix and ‘Ctrl-Z’ on Windows.) Otherwise, the file name is interpreted <i>relative</i> to the current working directory (given by getwd()), unless it specifies an <i>absolute</i> path. Tilde-expansion is performed where supported. When running R from a script, file = "stdin" can be used to refer to the process’s stdin file stream. This can be a compressed file (see file). Alternatively, file can be a connection , which will be opened if necessary, and if so closed at the end of the function call. Whatever mode the connection is opened in, any of LF, CRLF or CR will be accepted as the EOL marker for a line and so will match sep = "\n". file can also be a complete URL. (For the supported URL schemes, see the ‘URLs’ section of the help for url .) To read a data file not in the current encoding (for example a Latin-1 file in a UTF-8 locale or conversely) use a file connection setting its encoding argument (or scan’s fileEncoding argument). |
| nmax | the maximum number of data values to be read, or if what is a list, the maximum number of records to be read. If omitted or not positive or an |

- invalid value for an integer (and `nlines` is not set to a positive value), scan will read to the end of file.
- `n` integer: the maximum number of data values to be read, defaulting to no limit. Invalid values will be ignored.
- `sep` by default, scan expects to read 'white-space' delimited input fields. Alternatively, `sep` can be used to specify a character which delimits fields. A field is always delimited by an end-of-line marker unless it is quoted. If specified this should be the empty character string (the default) or NULL or a character string containing just one single-byte character.
- `quote` the set of quoting characters as a single character string or NULL. In a multibyte locale the quoting characters must be ASCII (single-byte).
- `dec` decimal point character. This should be a character string containing just one single-byte character. (NULL and a zero-length character vector are also accepted, and taken as the default.)
- `skip` the number of lines of the input file to skip before beginning to read data values.
- `nlines` if positive, the maximum number of lines of data to be read.
- `na.strings` character vector. Elements of this vector are to be interpreted as missing (NA) values. Blank fields are also considered to be missing values in logical, integer, numeric and complex fields. Note that the test happens *after* white space is stripped from the input, so `na.strings` values may need their own white space stripped in advance.
- `flush` logical: if TRUE, scan will flush to the end of the line after reading the last of the fields requested. This allows putting comments after the last field, but precludes putting more than one record on a line.
- `fill` logical: if TRUE, scan will implicitly add empty fields to any lines with fewer fields than implied by `what`.
- `strip.white` vector of logical value(s) corresponding to items in the `what` argument. It is used only when `sep` has been specified, and allows the stripping of leading and trailing 'white space' from character fields (numeric fields are always stripped). Note: white space inside quoted strings is not stripped.
- If `strip.white` is of length 1, it applies to all fields; otherwise, if `strip.white[i]` is TRUE *and* the *i*-th field is of mode character (because `what[i]` is) then the leading and trailing unquoted white space from field *i* is stripped.
- `quiet` logical: if FALSE (default), scan() will print a line, saying how many items have been read.
- `blank.lines.skip` logical: if TRUE blank lines in the input are ignored, except when counting `skip` and `nlines`.
- `multi.line` logical. Only used if `what` is a list. If FALSE, all of a record must appear on one line (but more than one record can appear on a single line). Note that using `fill = TRUE` implies that a record will be terminated at the end of a line.
- `comment.char` character: a character vector of length one containing a single character or an empty string. Use "" to turn off the interpretation of comments altogether (the default).

allowEscapes logical. Should C-style escapes such as ‘\n’ be processed (the default) or read verbatim? Note that if not within quotes these could be interpreted as a delimiter (but not as a comment character).

The escapes which are interpreted are the control characters ‘\a, \b, \f, \n, \r, \t, \v’ and octal and hexadecimal representations like ‘\040’ and ‘\0x2A’. Any other escaped character is treated as itself, including backslash. Note that Unicode escapes (starting ‘\u’ or ‘\U’: see [Quotes](#)) are never processed.

fileEncoding character string: if non-empty declares the encoding used on a file (not a connection nor the keyboard) so the character data can be re-encoded. See the ‘Encoding’ section of the help for [file](#), and the ‘R Data Import/Export Manual’.

encoding encoding to be assumed for input strings. If the value is “latin1” or “UTF-8” it is used to mark character strings as known to be in Latin-1 or UTF-8; it is not used to re-encode the input (see fileEncoding). See also ‘Details’.

text character string: if file is not supplied and this is, then data are read from the value of text via a text connection.

skipNul logical: should nuls be skipped when reading character fields?

Value

the data read, or NULL if the file does not exist.

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| setTaskAuthor | <i>Set the name of the tasks author.</i> |
|---------------|--|

Description

Set the name of the tasks author.

Usage

```
setTaskAuthor(author)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|--|
| author | Author name, system username by default. |
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Value

The current name of the tasks author.

Examples

```
setTaskAuthor("Doe Johns")
```

| | |
|---------------|--|
| setTaskEnckey | <i>Set the encryption key for binary data files.</i> |
|---------------|--|

Description

Set the encryption key for binary data files.

Usage

```
setTaskEnckey(key)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|---|
| key | encryption key, if NULL then query key from user. |
|-----|---|

Value

NULL invisibly.

| | |
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| setTaskRmdTemplate | <i>Set the path to the Rmd task template.</i> |
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Description

Set the path to the Rmd task template.

Usage

```
setTaskRmdTemplate(file, encoding = "unknown")
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| file | path to the Rmd task template. |
| encoding | encoding to be assumed for input strings. It is used to mark character strings as known to be in Latin-1, UTF-8 or to be bytes: it is not used to re-encode the input. To do the latter, specify the encoding as part of the connection con or via <code>options(encoding=)</code> : see the examples and ‘Details’. |

Value

The path to the Rmd task template invisibly.

setTaskRoot *Set the root of the task repository.*

Description

Set the root of the task repository.

Usage

```
setTaskRoot(rootpath, dirCreate = FALSE)
```

Arguments

rootpath Path of the task repository, default set by [setTaskRoot](#).
dirCreate Logical, if TRUE (by default) the directory is created.

Value

Path to the current task root.

setTaskRscriptTemplate
Set the path to the R script task template.

Description

Set the path to the R script task template.

Usage

```
setTaskRscriptTemplate(file)
```

Arguments

file path to the Rmd task template.

Value

The path to the Rmd task template invisibly.

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| setTaskSponsor | <i>Set the name of the tasks sponsor.</i> |
|----------------|---|

Description

Set the name of the tasks sponsor.

Usage

```
setTaskSponsor(sponsor)
```

Arguments

sponsor Sponsor name, default set by [setTaskSponsor](#).

Value

The current name of the tasks sponsor.

Examples

```
setTaskSponsor("SQU4RE")
```

| | |
|------------------|---|
| setTaskStructure | <i>Set task repository directory structure.</i> |
|------------------|---|

Description

Set task repository directory structure.

Usage

```
setTaskStructure(pathgen)
```

Arguments

pathgen optional function returning a list of paths, currently [pathsGLPG](#) or [pathsPMS](#).

Value

The task directory structure function invisibly.

Examples

```

fun <- function(project,package,taskname,sponsor) {
  basePath <- file.path("%ROOT%",sponsor,project,package)
  list(
    root = "%ROOT%",
    datasrc = file.path(basePath, "raw", "data_source"),
    data = file.path(basePath, "output", "ad hoc", taskname),
    bin = file.path(basePath, "output", "ad hoc", taskname, "bin"),
    code = file.path(basePath, "progs"),
    doc = file.path(basePath, "docs"),
    log = file.path(basePath, "output", "log")
  )
}
setTaskStructure(fun)

```

| | |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| taskID | <i>Get task identifier string.</i> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Description

Get task identifier string.

Usage

```
taskID(task, sep = "/")
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|---|
| task | Object of class D4TAlinkTask , as created by initTask . |
| sep | the field separator character, default: "/". |

Value

String with task ID as:[sponsor][sep][project][sep][package][sep][task]

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