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| pxweb-package | <i>Interface to PX-WEB APIs from R</i> |
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Description

PXWEB is a common web API used by many European Statistical agencies to disseminate official statistics. The pxweb package facilitates connections and usage of these APIs.

References

The decription of the PXWEB API here: <https://www.scb.se/en/About-us/about-the-website-and-terms-of-use/open-data-api/> The official home page of PXWEB can be found here: <https://www.scb.se/en/services/statistical-programs-for-px-files/px-web/>

api_catalogue *Defunct functions*

Description

These function has as from version 0.10.0 become defunct. Call the functions to get information on new functions to use.

Usage

```
api_catalogue()

update_pxweb_apis()

api_parameters(url = NULL)

base_url(api, version = NULL, language = NULL)

get_pxweb_data(url, dims, clean = FALSE, encoding = NULL)

get_pxweb_dims(node, verbose = TRUE)

get_pxweb_levels(baseUrl, descriptions = FALSE, quiet = FALSE, ...)

get_pxweb_metadata(
  path = NULL,
  node = NULL,
  topnodes = NULL,
  quiet = TRUE,
  baseUrl = NULL,
  ...
)

pxweb_api

checkForLevels(url)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|-------------------|
| url | Defunct argument. |
| api | Defunct argument. |
| version | Defunct argument. |
| language | Defunct argument. |
| dims | Defunct argument. |
| clean | Defunct argument. |

| | |
|--------------|-------------------|
| encoding | Defunct argument. |
| node | Defunct argument. |
| verbose | Defunct argument. |
| baseURL | Defunct argument. |
| descriptions | Defunct argument. |
| quiet | Defunct argument. |
| ... | Defunct argument. |
| path | Defunct argument. |
| topnodes | Defunct argument. |

Format

An object of class list of length 1.

assert_query_can_be_split_to_batches
Assert that a given pxweb query can be split

Description

Assert that a given pxweb query can be split

Usage

```
assert_query_can_be_split_to_batches(pxq, pxmd, mxv)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|---------------------------|
| pxq | a [pxweb_query] object |
| pxmd | a [pxweb_metadata] object |
| mxv | maximum batch size |

pxweb_advanced_get *Do a GET call to PXWEB API for advanced users*

Description

Do a GET call to PXWEB API for advanced users

Usage

```
pxweb_advanced_get(
  url,
  query = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  log_http_calls = FALSE,
  pxmdo = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|---|
| url | a pxweb object or url that can be coerced to a pxweb object. |
| query | a json string, json file or list object that can be coerced to a pxweb_query object. |
| verbose | should large queries print out progress. |
| log_http_calls | Should the http calls to the API be logged (for debugging reasons). If TRUE, all calls and responses are logged and written to "log_pxweb_api_http_calls.txt" in the working directory. |
| pxmdo | A pxweb_metadata object to use for query. |
| ... | Further arguments sent to httr::POST (for queries) or httr::GET (for query = NULL). If used with query, also supply a pxweb_metadata object. Otherwise the same parameters are sent to both httr::POST and httr::GET. |

Details

This function is intended for more advanced users that want to supply specific arguments in httr calls or what to debug httr calls.

pxweb_get() is a wrapper for standard use.

pxweb_cite

Cite a PXWEB data object

Description

Cite a PXWEB data object

Usage

```
pxweb_cite(x, style = "citation")
```

Arguments

x a pxweb_data object to cite.
style see [bibentry](#).

Details

Functionality to automatic cite PXWEB data objects.

pxweb_get

Do a GET call to PXWEB API

Description

Do a GET call to PXWEB API

Usage

```
pxweb_get(url, query = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

url a pxweb object or url that can be coerced to a pxweb object.
query a json string, json file or list object that can be coerced to a pxweb_query object.
verbose should large queries print out progress.

Examples

```
## Not run:
url <- "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/sv/ssd/BE/BE0101/BE0101A/BefolkningNy"
px_meta_data <- pxweb_get(url)

url <- "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/sv/ssd/BE/BE0101"
px_levels <- pxweb_get(url)

url <- "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/sv"
px_levels <- pxweb_get(url)

url <- "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/sv/ssd/BE/BE0101/BE0101A/BefolkningNy"
query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                    "extdata", "examples", "json_query_example.json")
px_data <- pxweb_get(url = url, query = query)

# Convert to data.frame
as.data.frame(px_data, column.name.type = "text", variable.value.type = "text")

# Get raw data
as.matrix(px_data, column.name.type = "code", variable.value.type = "code")

# Get data comments
pxweb_data_comments(px_data)

# Get jsonstat data
jstat <- query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                             "extdata", "examples", "json-stat_query_example.json")
jstat_data <- pxweb_get(url = url, query = query)

# Get very large datasets (multiple downloads needed)
big_query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                       "extdata", "examples", "json_big_query_example.json")
px_data <- pxweb_get(url = url, query = big_query)

## End(Not run)
```

pxweb_get_data

Do a GET call to PXWEB API and return a data.frame

Description

Do a GET call to PXWEB API and return a data.frame

Usage

```
pxweb_get_data(
  url,
```

```

    query,
    verbose = TRUE,
    column.name.type = "text",
    variable.value.type = "text"
  )

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| <code>url</code> | a pxweb object or url that can be coerced to a pxweb object. |
| <code>query</code> | a json string, json file or list object that can be coerced to a pxweb_query object. |
| <code>verbose</code> | should large queries print out progress. |
| <code>column.name.type</code> | character: should code or text be used as column names? |
| <code>variable.value.type</code> | character: should code or text be used as values in columns? |

Details

The functions use will do a pxweb_query to a PXWEB url and return a data.frame. This is a wrapper for the pxweb_get function.

See Also

See [pxweb_get](#) for mor general usage and [pxweb_query](#) for details on PXWEB queries.

Examples

```

## Not run:
url <- "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/sv/ssd/BE/BE0101/BE0101A/BefolkningNy"
query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                  "extdata", "examples", "json_query_example.json")
df <- pxweb_get_data(url = url, query = query)

## End(Not run)

```

pxweb_interactive *Find and download data interactively from a PXWEB API*

Description

Wrapper function (for [pxweb_get](#)) to simply find and download data to the current R session.

Usage

```

pxweb_interactive(x = NULL)

interactive_pxweb(x = NULL)

```


Arguments

`x` The name or alias of the pxweb api to connect to, a pxweb object or an url.

Value

The function returns a list with three slots: `url`: The URL to the data query: The query to access the data `data`: The downloaded data (if chosen to download data)

See Also

[pxweb_get](#)

Examples

```
pxweb_api_catalogue() # List apis

## The examples below can only be run in interactive mode
## x <- pxweb_interactive()
## x <- pxweb_interactive(x = "api.scb.se")
## x <- pxweb_interactive(x = "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/en/ssd/BE/BE0101/")
## x <- pxweb_interactive(x = "http://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/en/ssd/BE/BE0101/BE0101A/")
```

`pxweb_query_as_json` *Convert a pxweb_query object to a json string*

Description

Convert a pxweb_query object to a json string

Usage

```
pxweb_query_as_json(pxq, ...)
```

Arguments

`pxq` a pxweb_query object.
`...` further argument to `jsonlite::toJSON()`.

Examples

```
json_query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                        "extdata", "examples", "json_query_example.json")
pxq <- pxweb_query(json_query)
json <- pxweb_query_as_json(pxq, pretty = TRUE)
```

pxweb_test_api *Test a full or a part of a PXWEB api.*

Description

The function can be used to test a whole pxweb api by using the api base url. By using a branch in a tree the api is tested below this branch.

Usage

```
pxweb_test_api(
  url,
  test_type = "first",
  n = 1,
  verbose = TRUE,
  time_limit = Inf
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| url | The base url to the pxweb api (or a branch of the metadata tree) |
| test_type | What type of test should be done. The first observation of each table. A random sample of size n. Download all full tables. touch the api by only downloading the first table metadata. This is minimal testing of the API. |
| n | sample size if test_type is sample. |
| verbose | The function will print information. |
| time_limit | Time limit in second the API is allowed to be tested. |

Value

Function returns a data.frame with information on each node Two variables are added: checked : The node has been checked error : Whether there were errors encountered with the call download_error : Whether there were errors encountered during download

Examples

```
## Not run:
url <- "https://bank.stat.gl/api/v1/en/Greenland/BE/BE01"
res <- pxweb_test_api(url)
res <- pxweb_test_api(url, test_type="touch")

## End(Not run)
```

`pxweb_validate_query_with_metadata`*Validate a pxweb_query with a pxweb_metadata object*

Description

Validate a pxweb_query with a pxweb_metadata object

Usage

```
pxweb_validate_query_with_metadata(pxq, pxmd)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--------------------------|
| pxq | a pxweb_query object. |
| pxmd | a pxweb_metadata object. |

Details

Validate a query with a metadata object to asses that the query can be used to query the table.

Examples

```
## Not run:
url <- "http://api.scb.se/0V0104/v1/doris/sv/ssd/BE/BE0101/BE0101A/BefolkningNy"
json_query <- file.path(system.file(package = "pxweb"),
                        "extdata", "examples", "json_query_example.json")
pxq <- pxweb_query(json_query)
pxweb_validate_query_with_metadata(pxq, pxweb_get(url))

## End(Not run)
```

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