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dsAggregate, OpalConnection-method  
*Aggregate data*

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### Description

Aggregate some data from the DataSHIELD R session using a valid R expression. The aggregation expression must satisfy the data repository's DataSHIELD configuration.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsAggregate(conn, expr, async = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> object.
expr	Expression to evaluate.
async	Whether the result of the call should be retrieved asynchronously. When TRUE (default) the calls are parallelized over the connections, when the connection supports that feature, with an extra overhead of requests.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsAssignTable(con, "D", "test.CNSIM")  
dsAggregate(con, as.symbol("meanDS(D$WEIGHT)"))  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsAssignExpr, OpalConnection-method  
*Assign the result of an expression*

---

### Description

Assign a result of the execution of an expression in the DataSHIELD R session.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsAssignExpr(conn, symbol, expr, async = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> object.
symbol	Name of the R symbol.
expr	A R expression with allowed assign functions calls.
async	Whether the result of the call should be retrieved asynchronously. When TRUE (default) the calls are parallelized over the connections, when the connection supports that feature, with an extra overhead of requests.

**Value**

A [OpalResult-class](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsAssignExpr(con, "C", as.symbol("c(1, 2, 3)"))
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsAssignResource,OpalConnection-method  
*Assign a resource*

---

**Description**

Assign a Opal resource in the DataSHIELD R session.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsAssignResource(conn, symbol, resource, async = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> object.
symbol	Name of the R symbol.
resource	Fully qualified name of a resource in Opal.
async	Whether the result of the call should be retrieved asynchronously. When TRUE (default) the calls are parallelized over the connections, when the connection supports that feature, with an extra overhead of requests.

**Value**

A `OpalResult-class` object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsAssignResource(con, "D", "test.CNSIM")
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsAssignTable,OpalConnection-method  
*Assign a table*

---

**Description**

Assign a Opal table in the DataSHIELD R session.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsAssignTable(
  conn,
  symbol,
  table,
  variables = NULL,
  missings = FALSE,
  identifiers = NULL,
  id.name = NULL,
  async = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

conn	<code>OpalConnection-class</code> object.
symbol	Name of the R symbol.
table	Fully qualified name of a table in Opal.
variables	List of variable names or Javascript expression that selects the variables of a table (ignored if value does not refer to a table). See javascript documentation: <a href="https://opaldoc.obiba.org/en/latest/magma-user-guide/methods.html">https://opaldoc.obiba.org/en/latest/magma-user-guide/methods.html</a>
missings	If TRUE, missing values will be pushed from Opal to R, default is FALSE. Ignored if value is an R expression.

identifiers	Name of the identifiers mapping to use when assigning entities to R (from Opal 2.0).
id.name	Name of the column that will contain the entity identifiers. If not specified, the identifiers will be the data frame row names. When specified this column can be used to perform joins between data frames.
async	Whether the result of the call should be retrieved asynchronously. When TRUE (default) the calls are parallelized over the connections, when the connection supports that feature, with an extra overhead of requests.

**Value**

A `OpalResult`-class object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsAssignTable(con, "D", "test.CNSIM")
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsConnect,OpalDriver-method

*Connect to a Opal server*

---

**Description**

Connect to a Opal server, with provided credentials. Does not create a DataSHIELD R session, only retrieves user profile.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalDriver'
dsConnect(
  drv,
  name,
  restore = NULL,
  username = NULL,
  password = NULL,
  token = NULL,
  url = NULL,
  opts = list(),
  profile = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

drv	OpalDriver-class class object.
name	Name of the connection, which must be unique among all the DataSHIELD connections.
restore	Workspace name to be restored in the newly created DataSHIELD R session.
username	User name in opal(s).
password	User password in opal(s).
token	Personal access token (since opal 2.15, ignored if username is specified).
url	Opal url or list of opal urls. Can be provided by "opal.url" option.
opts	Curl options as described by httr (call httr::httr_options() for details). Can be provided by "opal.opts" option.
profile	The DataSHIELD R server profile (affects the R packages available and the applied configuration). If not provided or not supported, default profile will be applied.
...	Unused, needed for compatibility with generic.

**Value**

A `OpalConnection-class` object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dsConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1", "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
con
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsDisconnect, OpalConnection-method

*Disconnect from a Opal server*

---

**Description**

Disconnect from a Opal server and release all R resources. If a workspace ID is provided, the DataSHIELD R session will be saved before being destroyed.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsDisconnect(conn, save = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

conn            [OpalConnection-class](#) class object  
save            Save the DataSHIELD R session with provided ID (must be a character string).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dsConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1", "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
con  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsFetch,OpalResult-method  
*Fetch the result*

---

**Description**

Fetch the DataSHIELD operation result.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalResult'  
dsFetch(res)
```

**Arguments**

res            [OpalResult-class](#) object.

**Value**

TRUE if table exists.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsAssignExpr(con, "C", as.symbol("c(1, 2, 3)"))  
res <- dsAggregate(con, as.symbol("length(C)"))  
length <- dsFetch(res)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```



---

dsGetInfo,OpalResult-method  
*Get result info*

---

**Description**

Get the information about a command (if still available).

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalResult'  
dsGetInfo(dsObj, ...)
```

**Arguments**

dsObj	<a href="#">OpalResult-class</a> class object
...	Unused, needed for compatibility with generic.

**Value**

The result information, including its status.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsAssignExpr(con, "C", as.symbol("c(1, 2, 3)"))  
res <- dsAggregate(con, as.symbol("length(C)"))  
dsGetInfo(res)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsHasResource,OpalConnection-method  
*Verify Opal resource*

---

**Description**

Verify Opal resource exist and can be accessible for performing DataSHIELD operations.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsHasResource(conn, resource)
```

**Arguments**

conn            [OpalConnection-class](#) class object.  
resource        The fully qualified name of the resource.

**Value**

TRUE if the resource exists.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsHasResource(con, "test.CNSIM")  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsHasTable,OpalConnection-method  
*Verify Opal table*

---

**Description**

Verify Opal table exist and can be accessible for performing DataSHIELD operations.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsHasTable(conn, table)
```

**Arguments**

conn            [OpalConnection-class](#) class object.  
table           The fully qualified name of the table.

**Value**

TRUE if table exists.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsHasTable(con, "test.CNSIM")
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

*dsIsAsync,OpalConnection-method*  
*Opal asynchronous support*

---

**Description**

List that Opal supports asynchronicity on all DataSHIELD operations.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsIsAsync(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn            [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

The named list of logicals detailing the asynchronicity support.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsIsAsync(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsIsCompleted,OpalResult-method

*Get whether the operation is completed*

---

### Description

Get the information about a command (if still available) and return TRUE if the command was completed successfully or not. Always TRUE for synchronous operations.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalResult'  
dsIsCompleted(res)
```

### Arguments

res                    [OpalResult-class](#) object.

### Value

A logical indicating the command completion.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsAssignExpr(con, "C", as.symbol("c(1, 2, 3)"))  
res <- dsAggregate(con, as.symbol("length(C)"))  
dsIsCompleted(res)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsKeepAlive,OpalConnection-method

*Keep connection with a Opal server alive*

---

### Description

Makes a dummy web service request.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsKeepAlive(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn                    [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dsConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1", "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsKeepAlive(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListMethods,OpalConnection-method  
*List methods*

---

**Description**

List methods defined in the DataSHIELD configuration.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsListMethods(conn, type = "aggregate")
```

**Arguments**

conn                    [OpalConnection-class](#) class object  
type                    Type of the method: "aggregate" (default) or "assign".

**Value**

A data frame with columns: name, type ('aggregate' or 'assign'), class ('function' or 'script'), value, package, version.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsListMethods(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListPackages,OpalConnection-method  
*List packages*

---

**Description**

List packages defined in the DataSHIELD configuration.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsListPackages(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn                    [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

A data frame with columns: name, version.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsListPackages(con)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListProfiles,OpalConnection-method  
*List profiles*

---

**Description**

List profiles defined in the DataSHIELD configuration.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsListProfiles(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

A list containing the "available" character vector of profile names and the "current" profile (in case a default one was assigned).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsListProfiles(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListResources,OpalConnection-method  
*List Opal resources*

---

**Description**

List Opal resources that may be accessible for performing DataSHIELD operations.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsListResources(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

The fully qualified names of the resources.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsListResources(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListSymbols,OpalConnection-method  
*List R symbols*

---

**Description**

List symbols living in the DataSHIELD R session.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsListSymbols(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn                    [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

A character vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsAssignTable(con, "D", "test.CNSIM")  
dsListSymbols(con)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListTables,OpalConnection-method  
*List Opal tables*

---

**Description**

List Opal tables that may be accessible for performing DataSHIELD operations.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsListTables(conn)
```



**Arguments**

conn [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

The fully qualified names of the tables.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsListTables(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsListWorkspaces,OpalConnection-method  
*List workspaces*

---

**Description**

List workspaces saved in the data repository.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsListWorkspaces(conn)
```

**Arguments**

conn [OpalConnection-class](#) class object

**Value**

A data frame with columns: name, lastAccessDate, size.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsListWorkspaces(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsRestoreWorkspace,OpalConnection-method  
*Restore workspace*

---

**Description**

Restore workspace from the data repository.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsRestoreWorkspace(conn, name)
```

**Arguments**

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> class object
name	Name of the workspace.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsListWorkspaces(con)  
dsRestoreWorkspace(con, "foo")  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

dsRmSymbol,OpalConnection-method  
*Remove a R symbol*

---

**Description**

Remove a symbol living in the DataSHIELD R session.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsRmSymbol(conn, symbol)
```

**Arguments**

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> class object
symbol	Name of the R symbol.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsAssignTable(con, "D", "test.CNSIM")
dsRmSymbol(con, "D")
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsRmWorkspace,OpalConnection-method  
*Remove a workspace*

---

## Description

Remove a workspace on the data repository.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'
dsRmWorkspace(conn, name)
```

## Arguments

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> class object
name	Name of the workspace.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")
dsSaveWorkspace(con, "foo")
dsListWorkspaces(con)
dsRmWorkspace(con, "foo")
dsListWorkspaces(con)
dsDisconnect(con)

## End(Not run)
```

---

dsSaveWorkspace,OpalConnection-method  
*Save workspace*

---

### Description

Save workspace on the data repository.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'OpalConnection'  
dsSaveWorkspace(conn, name)
```

### Arguments

conn	<a href="#">OpalConnection-class</a> class object
name	Name of the workspace.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
con <- dbConnect(DSOpal::Opal(), "server1",  
  "username", "password", "https://opal.example.org")  
dsSaveWorkspace(con, "foo")  
dsListWorkspaces(con)  
dsDisconnect(con)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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logindata.opal.demo     *DataSHIELD login data file*

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### Description

DataSHIELD login data file based on Opal demo server, with CNSIM simulated data. The CNSIM datasets contain synthetic data based on a model derived from the participants of the 1958 Birth Cohort, as part of the obesity methodological development project. These datasets do contain some NA values. Note that the Opal demo server is rebuilt every day and is possibly not accessible.

**Details**

<b>Field</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Note</b>
server	Server/study name	char	
url	Server/study URL	char	Opal demo URL
user	User name	char	
password	User password	char	
table	Table unique name	char	CNSIM tables
driver	Connection driver	char	OpalDriver

**References**

<https://opal-demo.obiba.org>

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Opal

*Create a Opal driver*

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**Description**

Convenient function for creating a OpalDriver object.

**Usage**

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