

Package ‘ClickHouseHTTP’

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Title A Simple HTTP Database Interface to 'ClickHouse'

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Description 'ClickHouse' (<<https://clickhouse.com/>>)

is an open-source, high performance columnar
OLAP (online analytical processing of queries) database management system
for real-time analytics using SQL. This 'DBI' backend
relies on the 'ClickHouse' HTTP interface and support HTTPS protocol.

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BugReports <https://github.com/patzaw/ClickHouseHTTP/issues>

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ClickHouseHTTP	<i>Create a ClickHouseHTTP DBI driver</i>
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Description

Create a ClickHouseHTTP DBI driver

Usage

`ClickHouseHTTP()`

Value

A ClickHouseHTTPDriver

See Also

[ClickHouseHTTPDriver](#)

ClickHouseHTTPConnection-class	<i>ClickHouseHTTPConnection class.</i>
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Description

ClickHouseHTTPConnection class.

Send SQL query to ClickHouse

Information about the ClickHouse database

Create a table in ClickHouse

Write a table in ClickHouse

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ClickHouseHTTPConnection,character'
dbSendQuery(
  conn,
  statement,
  format = c("Arrow", "TabSeparatedWithNamesAndTypes"),
  file = NA,
  ...
)
## S4 method for signature 'ClickHouseHTTPConnection'
dbGetInfo(dbObj, ...)
```

```

## S4 method for signature 'ClickHouseHTTPConnection'
dbCreateTable(
  conn,
  name,
  fields,
  engine = "TinyLog",
  overwrite = FALSE,
  ...,
  row.names = NULL,
  temporary = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'ClickHouseHTTPConnection,ANY'
dbWriteTable(
  conn,
  name,
  value,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  append = FALSE,
  engine = "TinyLog",
  ...
)

```

Arguments

conn	a ClickHouseHTTPConnection object created with dbConnect()
statement	the SQL query statement
format	the format used by ClickHouse to send the results. Two formats are supported: "Arrow" (default) and "TabSeparatedWithNamesAndTypes"
file	a path to a file to send along the query (default: NA)
...	Other parameters passed on to methods
dbObj	a ClickHouseHTTPConnection object
name	the name of the table to create
fields	a character vector with the name of the fields and their ClickHouse type (e.g. c("text_col String", "num_col Nullable(Float64)", "nul_col Array(Int32)"))
engine	the ClickHouse table engine as described in ClickHouse documentation . Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "TinyLog" (default)• "MergeTree() ORDER BY (expr)" (expr generally correspond to fields separated by ",")
overwrite	if TRUE and if a table with the same name exists, then it is deleted before creating the new one (default: FALSE)
row.names	unsupported parameter (add for compatibility reason)

<code>temporary</code>	unsupported parameter (add for compatibility reason)
<code>value</code>	the table to write
<code>append</code>	if TRUE, the values are added to the database table if it exists (default: FALSE).

Details

Both format have their pros and cons:

- **Arrow** (default):
 - fast for long tables but slow for wide tables
 - fast with Array columns
 - Date and DateTime columns are returned as UInt16 and UInt32 respectively: by default, ClickHouseHTTP interpret them as Date and POSIXct columns but cannot make the difference with actual UInt16 and UInt32
- **TabSeparatedWithNamesAndTypes**:
 - in general faster than Arrow
 - fast for wide tables but slow for long tables
 - slow with Array columns
 - Special characters are not well interpreted. In such cases, the function below can be useful but can also take time.

```
.sp_ch_recov <- function(x){
  stringi::stri_replace_all_regex(
    x,
    c(
      "\\\n", "\\\t", "\\\r", "\\\b",
      "\\\a", "\\\f", "\\\'", "\\\\""
    ),
    c("\n", "\t", "\r", "\b", "\a", "\f", "'", "\\"),
    vectorize_all=FALSE
  )
}
```

Value

A ClickHouseHTTPResult object

A list with the following elements:

- name: "ClickHouseHTTPConnection"
- db.version: the version of ClickHouse
- uptime: ClickHouse uptime
- dbname: the default database
- username: user name
- host: ClickHouse host
- port: ClickHouse port

- https: Is the connection using HTTPS protocol instead of HTTP
- dbCreateTable() returns TRUE, invisibly.
TRUE; called for side effects

See Also

[ClickHouseHTTPResult](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:

## Connection ----

library(DBI)
### HTTP connection ----

con <- dbConnect(
  ClickHouseHTTP::ClickHouseHTTP(), host="localhost",
  port=8123
)

### HTTPS connection (without ssl peer verification) ----

con <- dbConnect(
  ClickHouseHTTP::ClickHouseHTTP(), host="localhost",
  port=8443, https=TRUE, ssl_verifypeer=FALSE
)

## Write a table in the database ----

library(dplyr)
data("mtcars")
mtcars <- as_tibble(mtcars, rownames="car")
dbWriteTable(con, "mtcars", mtcars)

## Query the database ----

carsFromDB <- dbReadTable(con, "mtcars")
dbGetQuery(con, "SELECT car, mpg, cyl, hp FROM mtcars WHERE hp>=110")

## By default, ClickHouseHTTP relies on the
## Apache Arrow format provided by ClickHouse.
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## rely on the *TabSeparatedWithNamesAndTypes* format.
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  format="TabSeparatedWithNamesAndTypes"
)
## Identifying the original ClickHouse data types
attr(selCars, "type")
```

```

## Using alternative databases stored in ClickHouse ----

dbSendQuery(con, "CREATE DATABASE swiss")
dbSendQuery(con, "USE swiss")

## The chosen database is used until the session expires.
## It can also be chosen when connecting using the `dbname` argument of
## the `dbConnect()` function.

## The example below shows that spaces in column names are supported.
## It also shows the support of R `list` using the *Array* ClickHouse type.
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swiss <- mutate(swiss, "pr letters"=strsplit(province, ""))
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```
## End(Not run)
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ClickHouseHTTPDriver-class*Driver for the ClickHouse database using HTTP(S) interface***Description**

Driver for the ClickHouse database using HTTP(S) interface

Connect to a ClickHouse database using the ClickHouseHTTP DBI

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ClickHouseHTTPDriver'
dbConnect(
  drv,
  host = "localhost",
  port = 8123L,
  dbname = "default",
  user = "default",
  password = "",
  https = FALSE,
  ssl_verifypeer = TRUE,
  host_path = NA,
  session_timeout = 3600L,
  convert_uint = TRUE,
  extended_headers = list(),
  reset_handle = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>drv</code>	A driver object created by ClickHouseHTTP()
<code>host</code>	name of the database host (default: "localhost")
<code>port</code>	port on which the database is listening (default: 8123L)
<code>dbname</code>	name of the default database (default: "default")
<code>user</code>	user name (default: "default")
<code>password</code>	user password (default: "")
<code>https</code>	a logical to use the HTTPS protocol (default: FALSE)
<code>ssl_verifypeer</code>	a logical to verify SSL certificate when using HTTPS (default: TRUE)
<code>host_path</code>	a path to use on host (e.g. "ClickHouse/"): it allows to connect on a server behind a reverse proxy for example

session_timeout	timeout in seconds (default: 3600L seconds)
convert_uint	a logical: if TRUE (default), UInt ClickHouse data types are converted in the following R classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• UInt8 : logical• UInt16: Date (when using Arrow format in dbSendQuery,ClickHouseHTTPConnection,character-method)• UInt32: POSIXct (when using Arrow format in dbSendQuery,ClickHouseHTTPConnection,character-method)
extended_headers	a named list with other HTTP headers (for example: extended_headers=list("X-Authorization"=" Basic <token> ") can be used for OAuth access delegation)
reset_handle	a logical indicating how to manage Curl handles (see httr::handle_pool). If TRUE, handle reset is used (default: FALSE).
...	Other parameters passed on to methods

Value

A ClickHouseHTTPConnection

See Also

ClickHouseHTTPConnection

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