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add\_headers

Add additional headers to a request.

### **Description**

Wikipedia provides a useful list of common http headers: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_HTTP\_header\_fields.

# Usage

```
add_headers(..., .headers = character())
```

# Arguments

... named header values. To stop an existing header from being set, pass an empty string: "".

. headers a named character vector

# See Also

accept() and content\_type() for convenience functions for setting accept and content-type headers.

Other config: authenticate, config, set\_cookies, timeout, use\_proxy, user\_agent, verbose

```
add_headers(a = 1, b = 2)
add_headers(.headers = c(a = "1", b = "2"))

GET("http://httpbin.org/headers")

# Add arbitrary headers
GET(
    "http://httpbin.org/headers",
    add_headers(version = version$version.string)
)

# Override default headers with empty strings
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", add_headers(Accept = ""))
```

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authenticate

Use http authentication.

# **Description**

It's not obvious how to turn authentication off after using it, so I recommend using custom handles with authentication.

# Usage

```
authenticate(user, password, type = "basic")
```

### **Arguments**

user user name password password

type of HTTP authentication. Should be one of the following types supported

by Curl: basic, digest\_ie, gssnegotiate, ntlm, any. It defaults to "basic",

the most common type.

#### See Also

Other config: add\_headers, config, set\_cookies, timeout, use\_proxy, user\_agent, verbose

### **Examples**

```
GET("http://httpbin.org/basic-auth/user/passwd")
GET(
  "http://httpbin.org/basic-auth/user/passwd",
   authenticate("user", "passwd")
)
```

**BROWSE** 

Open specified url in browser.

### **Description**

(This isn't really a http verb, but it seems to follow the same format).

# Usage

```
BROWSE(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., handle = NULL)
```

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### **Arguments**

url	the url of the page to retrieve
config	All configuration options are ignored because the request is handled by the browser, not <b>RCurl</b> .
•••	Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().
handle	The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default httr requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle_pool() for more details.

### **Details**

Only works in interactive sessions.

# Value

```
A response() object.
```

# See Also

```
Other http methods: DELETE, GET, HEAD, PATCH, POST, PUT, VERB
```

# **Examples**

```
BROWSE("http://google.com")
BROWSE("http://had.co.nz")
```

cache\_info

Compute caching information for a response.

# Description

cache\_info() gives details of cacheability of a response, rerequest() re-performs the original request doing as little work as possible (if not expired, returns response as is, or performs revalidation if Etag or Last-Modified headers are present).

# Usage

```
cache_info(r)
rerequest(r)
```

### **Arguments**

A response

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### **Examples**

```
# Never cached, always causes redownload
r1 <- GET("https://www.google.com")</pre>
cache_info(r1)
r1$date
rerequest(r1)$date
# Expires in a year
r2 <- GET("https://www.google.com/images/srpr/logo11w.png")</pre>
cache_info(r2)
r2$date
rerequest(r2)$date
# Has last-modified and etag, so does revalidation
r3 <- GET("http://httpbin.org/cache")
cache_info(r3)
r3$date
rerequest(r3)$date
# Expires after 5 seconds
## Not run:
r4 <- GET("http://httpbin.org/cache/5")
cache_info(r4)
r4$date
rerequest(r4)$date
Sys.sleep(5)
cache_info(r4)
rerequest(r4)$date
## End(Not run)
```

config

Set curl options.

# **Description**

Generally you should only need to use this function to set CURL options directly if there isn't already a helpful wrapper function, like set\_cookies(), add\_headers() or authenticate(). To use this function effectively requires some knowledge of CURL, and CURL options. Use httr\_options() to see a complete list of available options. To see the libcurl documentation for a given option, use curl\_docs().

### Usage

```
config(..., token = NULL)
```

# Arguments

```
... named Curl options.
token An OAuth token (1.0 or 2.0)
```

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#### **Details**

Unlike Curl (and RCurl), all configuration options are per request, not per handle.

#### See Also

set\_config() to set global config defaults, and with\_config() to temporarily run code with set
options.

All known available options are listed in httr\_options()

Other config: add\_headers, authenticate, set\_cookies, timeout, use\_proxy, user\_agent, verbose

Other ways to set configuration: set\_config, with\_config

### **Examples**

```
# There are a number of ways to modify the configuration of a request
# * you can add directly to a request
HEAD("https://www.google.com", verbose())
# * you can wrap with with_config()
with_config(verbose(), HEAD("https://www.google.com"))
# * you can set global with set_config()
old <- set_config(verbose())</pre>
HEAD("https://www.google.com")
# and re-establish the previous settings with
set_config(old, override = TRUE)
HEAD("https://www.google.com")
# or
reset_config()
HEAD("https://www.google.com")
# If available, you should use a friendly httr wrapper over RCurl
# options. But you can pass Curl options (as listed in httr_options())
# in config
HEAD("https://www.google.com/", config(verbose = TRUE))
```

content

Extract content from a request.

# **Description**

There are currently three ways to retrieve the contents of a request: as a raw object (as = "raw"), as a character vector, (as = "text"), and as parsed into an R object where possible, (as = "parsed"). If as is not specified, content does its best to guess which output is most appropriate.

#### Usage

```
content(x, as = NULL, type = NULL, encoding = NULL, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

X	request object	
as	desired type of output: raw, text or parsed. content attempts to a figure out which one is most appropriate, based on the content-type	•
type	MIME type (aka internet media type) used to override the content type the server. See <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_</a> for a list of common types.	•
encod	For text, overrides the charset or the Latin1 (ISO-8859-1) default, that the server is returning the incorrect encoding as the charset in type. Use for text and parsed outputs.	•
	Other parameters parsed on to the parsing functions, if as = "pars	ed"

#### **Details**

content currently knows about the following mime types:

```
    text/html: xml2::read_html()
    text/xml: xml2::read_xml()
    text/csv: readr::read_csv()
    text/tab-separated-values: readr::read_tsv()
    application/json: jsonlite::fromJSON()
    application/x-www-form-urlencoded: parse_query
    image/jpeg: jpeg::readJPEG()
    image/png: png::readPNG()
```

as = "parsed" is provided as a convenience only: if the type you are trying to parse is not available, use as = "text" and parse yourself.

# Value

For "raw", a raw vector.

For "text", a character vector of length 1. The character vector is always re-encoded to UTF-8. If this encoding fails (usually because the page declares an incorrect encoding), content() will return NA.

For "auto", a parsed R object.

### WARNING

When using content() in a package, DO NOT use on as = "parsed". Instead, check the mimetype is what you expect, and then parse yourself. This is safer, as you will fail informatively if the API changes, and you will protect yourself against changes to httr.

### See Also

Other response methods: http\_error, http\_status, response, stop\_for\_status

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### **Examples**

```
r <- POST("http://httpbin.org/post", body = list(a = 1, b = 2))
content(r) # automatically parses JSON
cat(content(r, "text"), "\n") # text content
content(r, "raw") # raw bytes from server

rlogo <- content(GET("http://cran.r-project.org/Rlogo.jpg"))
plot(0:1, 0:1, type = "n")
rasterImage(rlogo, 0, 0, 1, 1)</pre>
```

content\_type

Set content-type and accept headers.

### **Description**

These are convenient wrappers aroud add\_headers().

# Usage

```
content_type(type)
content_type_json()
content_type_xml()
accept(type)
accept_json()
accept_xml()
```

# Arguments

type

A mime type or a file extension. If a file extension (i.e. starts with .) will guess the mime type using mime::guess\_type().

#### **Details**

accept\_json/accept\_xml and content\_type\_json/content\_type\_xml are useful shortcuts to ask for json or xml responses or tell the server you are sending json/xml.

```
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers")

GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", accept_json())
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", accept("text/csv"))
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", accept(".doc"))
```

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```
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", content_type_xml())
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", content_type("text/csv"))
GET("http://httpbin.org/headers", content_type(".xml"))
```

cookies

Access cookies in a response.

# Description

Access cookies in a response.

# Usage

```
cookies(x)
```

# Arguments

Х

A response.

### See Also

```
set_cookies() to send cookies in request.
```

# **Examples**

```
r \leftarrow GET("http://httpbin.org/cookies/set", query = list(a = 1, b = 2)) cookies(r)
```

**DELETE** 

Send a DELETE request.

# Description

Send a DELETE request.

# Usage

```
DELETE(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
  encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), handle = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

url

the url of the page to retrieve

config

Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add\_headers()), cookies (set\_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.

. . .

Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify\_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().

body

One of the following:

- FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().
- NULL: An empty body
- "": A length 0 body
- upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
- A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell the server what sort of data you are sending.
- A named list: See details for encode.

encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

handle

The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default httr requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

#### Value

A response() object.

#### RFC2616

The DELETE method requests that the origin server delete the resource identified by the Request-URI. This method MAY be overridden by human intervention (or other means) on the origin server. The client cannot be guaranteed that the operation has been carried out, even if the status code returned from the origin server indicates that the action has been completed successfully. However, the server SHOULD NOT indicate success unless, at the time the response is given, it intends to delete the resource or move it to an inaccessible location.

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A successful response SHOULD be 200 (OK) if the response includes an entity describing the status, 202 (Accepted) if the action has not yet been enacted, or 204 (No Content) if the action has been enacted but the response does not include an entity.

If the request passes through a cache and the Request-URI identifies one or more currently cached entities, those entries SHOULD be treated as stale. Responses to this method are not cacheable.

### See Also

```
Other http methods: BROWSE, GET, HEAD, PATCH, POST, PUT, VERB
```

# **Examples**

```
DELETE("http://httpbin.org/delete")
POST("http://httpbin.org/delete")
```

**GET** 

GET a url.

# **Description**

```
GET a url.
```

### Usage

```
GET(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., handle = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

url	the url of the page to retrieve
config	Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add_headers()), cookies (set_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.
	Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().
handle	The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default <b>httr</b> requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle_pool() for more details.

# Value

```
A response() object.
```

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#### **RFC2616**

The GET method means retrieve whatever information (in the form of an entity) is identified by the Request-URI. If the Request-URI refers to a data-producing process, it is the produced data which shall be returned as the entity in the response and not the source text of the process, unless that text happens to be the output of the process.

The semantics of the GET method change to a "conditional GET" if the request message includes an If-Modified-Since, If-Unmodified-Since, If-Match, If-None-Match, or If-Range header field. A conditional GET method requests that the entity be transferred only under the circumstances described by the conditional header field(s). The conditional GET method is intended to reduce unnecessary network usage by allowing cached entities to be refreshed without requiring multiple requests or transferring data already held by the client.

The semantics of the GET method change to a "partial GET" if the request message includes a Range header field. A partial GET requests that only part of the entity be transferred, as described in http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec14.html#sec14.35 The partial GET method is intended to reduce unnecessary network usage by allowing partially-retrieved entities to be completed without transferring data already held by the client.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, HEAD, PATCH, POST, PUT, VERB

```
GET("http://google.com/")
GET("http://google.com/", path = "search")
GET("http://google.com/", path = "search", query = list(q = "ham"))
# See what GET is doing with httpbin.org
url <- "http://httpbin.org/get"</pre>
GET(url)
GET(url, add_headers(a = 1, b = 2))
GET(url, set\_cookies(a = 1, b = 2))
GET(url, add_headers(a = 1, b = 2), set_cookies(a = 1, b = 2))
GET(url, authenticate("username", "password"))
GET(url, verbose())
# You might want to manually specify the handle so you can have multiple
# independent logins to the same website.
google <- handle("http://google.com")</pre>
GET(handle = google, path = "/")
GET(handle = google, path = "search")
```

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### **Description**

Supported callback functions:

**'request'** This callback is called before an HTTP request is performed, with the request object as an argument. If the callback returns a value other than NULL, the HTTP request is not performed at all, and the return value of the callback is returned. This mechanism can be used to replay previously recorded HTTP responses.

**'response'** This callback is called after an HTTP request is performed. The callback is called with two arguments: the request object and the response object of the HTTP request. If this callback returns a value other than NULL, then this value is returned by httr.

### Usage

```
get_callback(name)
set_callback(name, new_callback = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

name Character scalar, name of the callback to query or set.

rently installed callback (if any).

#### **Details**

Note that it is not possible to install multiple callbacks of the same type. The installed callback overwrites the previously intalled one. To uninstall a callback function, set it to NULL with set\_callback().

See the httrmock package for a proper example that uses callbacks.

#### Value

get\_callback returns the currently installed callback, or NULL if none is installed.
set\_callback returns the previously installed callback, or NULL if none was installed.

```
## Not run:
## Log all HTTP requests to the screeen
req_logger <- function(req) {
   cat("HTTP request to", sQuote(req$url), "\n")
}

old <- set_callback("request", req_logger)
g1 <- GET("https://httpbin.org")
g2 <- GET("https://httpbin.org/ip")
set_callback("request", old)

## Log all HTTP requests and response status codes as well</pre>
```

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```
req_logger2 <- function(req) {</pre>
  cat("HTTP request to", sQuote(req$url), "... ")
res_logger <- function(req, res) {</pre>
  cat(res$status_code, "\n")
old_req <- set_callback("request", req_logger2)</pre>
old_res <- set_callback("response", res_logger)</pre>
g3 <- GET("https://httpbin.org")</pre>
g4 <- GET("https://httpbin.org/ip")</pre>
set_callback("request", old_req)
set_callback("response", old_res)
## Return a recorded response, without performing the HTTP request
replay <- function(req) {</pre>
  if (req$url == "https://httpbin.org") g3
old_req <- set_callback("request", replay)</pre>
grec <- GET("https://httpbin.org")</pre>
grec$date == g3$date
set_callback("request", old_req)
## End(Not run)
```

handle

Create a handle tied to a particular host.

# **Description**

This handle preserves settings and cookies across multiple requests. It is the foundation of all requests performed through the httr package, although it will mostly be hidden from the user.

### Usage

```
handle(url, cookies = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

url full url to site
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### Note

Because of the way argument dispatch works in R, using handle() in the http methods (See GET()) will cause problems when trying to pass configuration arguments (See examples below). Directly specifying the handle when using http methods is not recommended in general, since the selection of the correct handle is taken care of when the user passes an url (See handle\_pool()).

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# **Examples**

```
handle("http://google.com")
handle("https://google.com")

h <- handle("http://google.com")

GET(handle = h)
# Should see cookies sent back to server

GET(handle = h, config = verbose())

h <- handle("http://google.com", cookies = FALSE)

GET(handle = h)$cookies
## Not run:
# Using the preferred way of configuring the http methods
# will not work when using handle():

GET(handle = h, timeout(10))
# Passing named arguments will work properly:

GET(handle = h, config = list(timeout(10), add_headers(Accept = "")))

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

HEAD

Get url HEADers.

# Description

Get url HEADers.

# Usage

```
HEAD(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., handle = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

url	the url of the page to retrieve
config	Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add_headers()), cookies (set_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.
	Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().
handle	The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default <b>httr</b> requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle_pool() for more details.

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#### Value

A response() object.

# RFC2616

The HEAD method is identical to GET except that the server MUST NOT return a message-body in the response. The metainformation contained in the HTTP headers in response to a HEAD request SHOULD be identical to the information sent in response to a GET request. This method can be used for obtaining metainformation about the entity implied by the request without transferring the entity-body itself. This method is often used for testing hypertext links for validity, accessibility, and recent modification.

The response to a HEAD request MAY be cacheable in the sense that the information contained in the response MAY be used to update a previously cached entity from that resource. If the new field values indicate that the cached entity differs from the current entity (as would be indicated by a change in Content-Length, Content-MD5, ETag or Last-Modified), then the cache MUST treat the cache entry as stale.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, GET, PATCH, POST, PUT, VERB

### **Examples**

```
HEAD("http://google.com")
headers(HEAD("http://google.com"))
```

headers

Extract the headers from a response

### **Description**

Extract the headers from a response

### Usage

headers(x)

### **Arguments**

Χ

A request object

### See Also

add\_headers() to send additional headers in a request

```
r <- GET("http://httpbin.org/get")
headers(r)</pre>
```

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http\_error

Check for an http error.

# Description

Check for an http error.

### Usage

```
http_error(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x Object to check. Default methods are provided for strings (which perform an HEAD() request), responses, and integer status codes.

... Other arguments passed on to methods.

### Value

TRUE if the request fails (status code 400 or above), otherwise FALSE.

# See Also

Other response methods: content, http\_status, response, stop\_for\_status

```
# You can pass a url:
http_error("http://www.google.com")
http_error("http://httpbin.org/status/404")
# Or a request
r <- GET("http://httpbin.org/status/201")
http_error(r)
# Or an (integer) status code
http_error(200L)
http_error(404L)</pre>
```

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http\_status

Give information on the status of a request.

# **Description**

Extract the http status code and convert it into a human readable message.

### Usage

```
http_status(x)
```

### **Arguments**

Χ

a request object or a number.

### **Details**

http servers send a status code with the response to each request. This code gives information regarding the outcome of the execution of the request on the server. Roughly speaking, codes in the 100s and 200s mean the request was successfully executed; codes in the 300s mean the page was redirected; codes in the 400s mean there was a mistake in the way the client sent the request; codes in the 500s mean the server failed to fulfill an apparently valid request. More details on the codes can be found at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Http\_error\_codes.

### Value

If the status code does not match a known status, an error. Otherwise, a list with components

category the broad category of the status message the meaning of the status code

### See Also

Other response methods: content, http\_error, response, stop\_for\_status

```
http_status(100)
http_status(404)

x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/status/200")
http_status(x)

http_status(GET("http://httpbin.org/status/300"))
http_status(GET("http://httpbin.org/status/301"))
http_status(GET("http://httpbin.org/status/404"))

# errors out on unknown status
## Not run:</pre>
```

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```
http_status(GET("http://httpbin.org/status/320"))
## End(Not run)
```

http\_type

Extract the content type of a response

# **Description**

Extract the content type of a response

# Usage

```
http_type(x)
```

# Arguments

Х

A response

### Value

A string giving the complete mime type, with all parameters stripped off.

# **Examples**

```
r1 <- GET("http://httpbin.org/image/png")
http_type(r1)
headers(r1)[["Content-Type"]]

r2 <- GET("http://httpbin.org/ip")
http_type(r2)
headers(r2)[["Content-Type"]]</pre>
```

httr\_dr

Diagnose common configuration problems

# Description

Currently one check: that curl uses nss.

# Usage

```
httr_dr()
```

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httr_options	List available options.
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# Description

This function lists all available options for config(). It provides both the short R name which you use with httr, and the longer Curl name, which is useful when searching the documentation. curl\_doc opens a link to the libcurl documentation for an option in your browser.

# Usage

```
httr_options(matches)
curl_docs(x)
```

# Arguments

matches If not missing, this restricts the output so that either the httr or curl option

matches this regular expression.

x An option name (either short or full).

# **Details**

RCurl and httr use slightly different names to libcurl: the initial CURLOPT\_ is removed, all underscores are converted to periods and the option is given in lower case. Thus "CURLOPT\_SSLENGINE\_DEFAULT" becomes "sslengine.default".

### Value

A data frame with three columns:

httr The short name used in httr
libcurl The full name used by libcurl

type The type of R object that the option accepts

```
httr_options()
httr_options("post")

# Use curl_docs to read the curl documentation for each option.
# You can use either the httr or curl option name.
curl_docs("userpwd")
curl_docs("CURLOPT_USERPWD")
```

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modify_url Mod
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### **Description**

Modify a url by first parsing it and then replacing components with the non-NULL arguments of this function.

### Usage

```
modify_url(url, scheme = NULL, hostname = NULL, port = NULL,
  path = NULL, query = NULL, params = NULL, fragment = NULL,
  username = NULL, password = NULL)
```

# Arguments

```
url the url to modify
scheme, hostname, port, path, query, params, fragment, username, password
components of the url to change
```

oauth1.0\_token

Generate an oauth1.0 token.

# **Description**

This is the final object in the OAuth dance - it encapsulates the app, the endpoint, other parameters and the received credentials.

# Usage

```
oauth1.0_token(endpoint, app, permission = NULL, as_header = TRUE,
    private_key = NULL, cache = getOption("httr_oauth_cache"))
```

### **Arguments**

endpoint	An OAuth endpoint, created by oauth_endpoint()
арр	An OAuth consumer application, created by oauth_app()
permission	optional, a string of permissions to ask for.
as_header	If TRUE, the default, sends oauth in header. If FALSE, adds as parameter to url.
private_key	Optional, a key provided by openssl::read_key(). Used for signed OAuth 1.0.
cache	A logical value or a string. TRUE means to cache using the default cache file .httr-oauth, FALSE means don't cache, and NA means to guess using some sensible heuristics. A string means use the specified path as the cache file.

oauth2.0\_token

### **Details**

See Token() for full details about the token object, and the caching policies used to store credentials across sessions.

#### Value

```
A Token1.0 reference class (RC) object.
```

#### See Also

Other OAuth: oauth2.0\_token, oauth\_app, oauth\_endpoint, oauth\_service\_token

oauth2.0\_token

Generate an oauth2.0 token.

# **Description**

This is the final object in the OAuth dance - it encapsulates the app, the endpoint, other parameters and the received credentials. It is a reference class so that it can be seamlessly updated (e.g. using \$refresh()) when access expires.

### Usage

```
oauth2.0_token(endpoint, app, scope = NULL, user_params = NULL,
  type = NULL, use_oob = getOption("httr_oob_default"),
  oob_value = NULL, as_header = TRUE, use_basic_auth = FALSE,
  cache = getOption("httr_oauth_cache"), config_init = list(),
  client_credentials = FALSE, credentials = NULL,
  query_authorize_extra = list())
```

# **Arguments**

endpoint	An OAuth endpoint, created by oauth_endpoint()
арр	An OAuth consumer application, created by oauth_app()
scope	a character vector of scopes to request.
user_params	Named list holding endpoint specific parameters to pass to the server when posting the request for obtaining or refreshing the access token.
type	content type used to override incorrect server response
use_oob	if FALSE, use a local webserver for the OAuth dance. Otherwise, provide a URL to the user and prompt for a validation code. Defaults to the of the "httr_oob_default" default, or TRUE if httpuv is not installed.
oob_value	if provided, specifies the value to use for the redirect_uri parameter when retrieving an authorization URL. Defaults to "urn:ietf:wg:oauth:2.0:oob". Requires

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as\_header If TRUE, the default, configures the token to add itself to the bearer header of sub-

sequent requests. If FALSE, configures the token to add itself as a url parameter

of subsequent requests.

use\_basic\_auth if TRUE use http basic authentication to retrieve the token. Some authorization

servers require this. If FALSE, the default, retrieve the token by including the app

key and secret in the request body.

cache A logical value or a string. TRUE means to cache using the default cache file

.httr-oauth, FALSE means don't cache, and NA means to guess using some sensible heuristics. A string means use the specified path as the cache file.

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config\_init Additional configuration settings sent to POST(), e.g. user\_agent().

client\_credentials

Default to FALSE. Set to TRUE to use *Client Credentials Grant* instead of *Authorization Code Grant*. See https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6749#section-4.

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credentials Advanced use only: allows you to completely customise token generation.

query\_authorize\_extra

Default to list(). Set to named list holding query parameters to append to initial auth page query. Useful for some APIs.

### **Details**

See Token() for full details about the token object, and the caching policies used to store credentials across sessions.

### Value

A Token2.0 reference class (RC) object.

### See Also

Other OAuth: oauth1.0\_token, oauth\_app, oauth\_endpoint, oauth\_service\_token

oauth\_app

Create an OAuth application.

# Description

See the demos for instructions on how to create an OAuth app for linkedin, twitter, vimeo, facebook, github and google. When wrapping an API from a package, the author may want to include a default app to facilitate early and casual use and then provide a method for heavy or advanced users to supply their own app or key and secret.

#### **Usage**

```
oauth_app(appname, key, secret = NULL, redirect_uri = oauth_callback())
```

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# Arguments

appname name of the application. This is not used for OAuth, but is used to make it easier

to identify different applications.

key consumer key, also sometimes called the client ID

secret consumer secret, also sometimes called the client secret. Despite its name, this

does not necessarily need to be protected like a password, i.e. the user still has to authenticate themselves and grant the app permission to access resources on their behalf. For example, see Google's docs for OAuth2 for installed applica-

tions.

redirect\_uri The URL that user will be redirected to after authorisation is complete. You

should generally leave this as the default unless you're using a non-standard

auth flow (like with shiny).

#### See Also

Other OAuth: oauth1.0\_token, oauth2.0\_token, oauth\_endpoint, oauth\_service\_token

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
google_app <- oauth_app(
   "google",
   key = "123456789.apps.googleusercontent.com",
   secret = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz"
)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

oauth\_endpoint

Describe an OAuth endpoint.

### **Description**

See oauth\_endpoints() for a list of popular OAuth endpoints baked into httr.

# Usage

```
oauth_endpoint(request = NULL, authorize, access, ..., base_url = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

request url used to request initial (unauthenticated) token. If using OAuth2.0, leave as

NULL.

authorize url to send client to for authorisation. Set to NULL if not needed access url used to exchange unauthenticated for authenticated token.

... other additional endpoints.

base\_url option url to use as base for request, authorize and access urls.

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### See Also

Other OAuth: oauth1.0\_token, oauth2.0\_token, oauth\_app, oauth\_service\_token

# **Examples**

```
linkedin <- oauth_endpoint("requestToken", "authorize", "accessToken",
  base_url = "https://api.linkedin.com/uas/oauth"
)
github <- oauth_endpoint(NULL, "authorize", "access_token",
  base_url = "https://github.com/login/oauth"
)
facebook <- oauth_endpoint(
  authorize = "https://www.facebook.com/dialog/oauth",
  access = "https://graph.facebook.com/oauth/access_token"
)
oauth_endpoints</pre>
```

oauth\_endpoints

Popular oauth endpoints.

# Description

Provides some common OAuth endpoints.

# Usage

```
oauth_endpoints(name)
```

# Arguments

name

One of the following endpoints: linkedin, twitter, vimeo, google, facebook, github, azure.

```
oauth_endpoints("twitter")
```

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oauth\_service\_token

Generate OAuth token for service accounts.

#### **Description**

Service accounts provide a way of using OAuth2 without user intervention. They instead assume that the server has access to a private key used to sign requests. The OAuth app is not needed for service accounts: that information is embedded in the account itself.

#### Usage

```
oauth_service_token(endpoint, secrets, scope = NULL, sub = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

endpoint An OAuth endpoint, created by oauth\_endpoint()
secrets Secrets loaded from JSON file, downloaded from console.

scope a character vector of scopes to request.

sub The email address of the user for which the application is requesting delegated

access.

#### See Also

Other OAuth: oauth1.0\_token, oauth2.0\_token, oauth\_app, oauth\_endpoint

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
endpoint <- oauth_endpoints("google")
secrets <- jsonlite::fromJSON("~/Desktop/httrtest-45693cbfac92.json")
scope <- "https://www.googleapis.com/auth/bigquery.readonly"
token <- oauth_service_token(endpoint, secrets, scope)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

parse\_http\_date

Parse and print http dates.

### **Description**

As defined in RFC2616, http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec3.html#sec3. 3, there are three valid formats:

- Sun, 06 Nov 1994 08:49:37 GMT; RFC 822, updated by RFC 1123
- Sunday, 06-Nov-94 08:49:37 GMT; RFC 850, obsoleted by RFC 1036
- Sun Nov 6 08:49:37 1994; ANSI C's asctime() format

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### Usage

```
parse_http_date(x, failure = structure(NA_real_, class = "Date"))
http_date(x)
```

# **Arguments**

x For parse\_http\_date, a character vector of strings to parse. All elements must

be of the same type.

For http\_date, a POSIXt vector.

failure What to return on failure?

### Value

A POSIXct object if successful, otherwise failure

# **Examples**

```
parse_http_date("Sun, 06 Nov 1994 08:49:37 GMT")
parse_http_date("Sunday, 06-Nov-94 08:49:37 GMT")
parse_http_date("Sun Nov 6 08:49:37 1994")
http_date(Sys.time())
```

parse\_url

Parse and build urls according to RFC1808.

# Description

See http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc1808.html for details of parsing algorithm.

### Usage

```
parse_url(url)
build_url(url)
```

# Arguments

url

For parse\_url a character vector (of length 1) to parse into components; for build\_url a list of components to turn back into a string.

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# Value

a list containing:

- scheme
- hostname
- port
- path
- params
- fragment
- query, a list
- username
- password

# **Examples**

```
parse_url("http://google.com/")
parse_url("http://google.com:80/")
parse_url("http://google.com:80/?a=1&b=2")

url <- parse_url("http://google.com/")
url$scheme <- "https"
url$query <- list(q = "hello")
build_url(url)</pre>
```

**PATCH** 

Send PATCH request to a server.

# Description

Send PATCH request to a server.

# Usage

```
PATCH(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), handle = NULL)
```

# Arguments

url	the url of the page to retrieve
config	Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add_headers()), cookies (set_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.
• • •	Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().

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One of the following: body

> • FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().

- NULL: An empty body
- "": A length 0 body
- upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
- A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell the server what sort of data you are sending.
- A named list: See details for encode.

encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

handle

The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default **httr** requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

#### Value

A response() object.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, GET, HEAD, POST, PUT, VERB

**POST** 

POST file to a server.

### **Description**

POST file to a server.

# **Usage**

```
POST(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
 encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), handle = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

url

the url of the page to retrieve

config

Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add\_headers()), cookies (set\_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.

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Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify\_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().

body

One of the following:

- FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().
- NULL: An empty body
- "": A length 0 body
- upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
- A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell
  the server what sort of data you are sending.
- A named list: See details for encode.

encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

handle

The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default httr requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

#### Value

A response() object.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, GET, HEAD, PATCH, PUT, VERB

```
b2 <- "http://httpbin.org/post"
POST(b2, body = "A simple text string")
POST(b2, body = list(x = "A simple text string"))</pre>
```

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```
POST(b2, body = list(y = upload_file(system.file("CITATION"))))
POST(b2, body = list(x = "A simple text string"), encode = "json")
# Various types of empty body:
POST(b2, body = NULL, verbose())
POST(b2, body = FALSE, verbose())
POST(b2, body = "", verbose())
```

progress

Add a progress bar.

# **Description**

Add a progress bar.

#### Usage

```
progress(type = c("down", "up"), con = stdout())
```

# **Arguments**

type Type of progress to display: either number of bytes uploaded or downloaded.

con Connection to send output too. Usually stdout() or stderr.

# **Examples**

```
cap_speed <- config(max_recv_speed_large = 10000)

# If file size is known, you get a progress bar:
x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/bytes/102400", progress(), cap_speed)
# Otherwise you get the number of bytes downloaded:
x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/stream-bytes/102400", progress(), cap_speed)</pre>
```

PUT

Send PUT request to server.

# **Description**

Send PUT request to server.

### Usage

```
PUT(url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
  encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), handle = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

url the url of the page to retrieve

config Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()),

additional headers (add\_headers()), cookies (set\_cookies()) etc. See config()

for full details and list of helpers.

Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify\_url().

Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().

body One of the following:

- FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().
- NULL: An empty body
- "": A length 0 body
- upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
- A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell the server what sort of data you are sending.
- A named list: See details for encode.

encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

handle

The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default **httr** requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, GET, HEAD, PATCH, POST, VERB

```
POST("http://httpbin.org/put")
PUT("http://httpbin.org/put")
b2 <- "http://httpbin.org/put"
PUT(b2, body = "A simple text string")
PUT(b2, body = list(x = "A simple text string"))
PUT(b2, body = list(y = upload_file(system.file("CITATION"))))
PUT(b2, body = list(x = "A simple text string"), encode = "json")</pre>
```

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response

The response object.

### **Description**

The response object captures all information from a request. It includes fields:

- url the url the request was actually sent to (after redirects)
- · handle the handle associated with the url
- status\_code the http status code
- · header a named list of headers returned by the server
- cookies a named list of cookies returned by the server
- content the body of the response, as raw vector. See content() for various ways to access
  the content.
- time request timing information
- config configuration for the request

### **Details**

For non-http(s) responses, some parts including the status and header may not be interpretable the same way as http responses.

#### See Also

Other response methods: content, http\_error, http\_status, stop\_for\_status

RETRY

Retry a request until it succeeds.

# Description

Safely retry a request until it succeeds, as defined by the terminate\_on parameter, which by default means a response for which http\_error() is FALSE. Will also retry on error conditions raised by the underlying curl code, but if the last retry still raises one, RETRY will raise it again with stop(). It is designed to be kind to the server: after each failure randomly waits up to twice as long. (Technically it uses exponential backoff with jitter, using the approach outlined in https://www.awsarchitectureblog.com/2015/03/backoff.html.) If the server returns status code 429 and specifies a retry-after value, that value will be used instead, unless it's smaller than pause\_min.

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### Usage

```
RETRY(verb, url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
  encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), times = 3,
  pause_base = 1, pause_cap = 60, pause_min = 1, handle = NULL,
  quiet = FALSE, terminate_on = NULL, terminate_on_success = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

verb Name of verb to use.

url the url of the page to retrieve

config Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add\_headers()), cookies (set\_cookies()) etc. See config()

for full details and list of helpers.

Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify\_url().

Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().

body One of the following:

• FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().

- NULL: An empty body
- "": A length 0 body
- upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
- A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell the server what sort of data you are sending.
- A named list: See details for encode.

encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

times Maximum number of requests to attempt.

pause\_base, pause\_cap

This method uses exponential back-off with full jitter - this means that each request will randomly wait between 0 and pause\_base \* 2 ^ attempt seconds, up to a maximum of pause\_cap seconds.

pause\_min Minimum t

Minimum time to wait in the backoff; generally only necessary if you need pauses less than one second (which may not be kind to the server, use with caution!).

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handle The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused

from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default httr requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple

requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

quiet If FALSE, will print a message displaying how long until the next request.

terminate\_on Optional vector of numeric HTTP status codes that if found on the response will

terminate the retry process. If NULL, will keep retrying while http\_error() is

TRUE for the response.

terminate\_on\_success

If TRUE, the default, this will automatically terminate when the request is suc-

cessful, regardless of the value of terminate\_on.

#### Value

The last response. Note that if the request doesn't succeed after times times this will be a failed request, i.e. you still need to use stop\_for\_status().

### **Examples**

```
# Succeeds straight away
RETRY("GET", "http://httpbin.org/status/200")
# Never succeeds
RETRY("GET", "http://httpbin.org/status/500")
# Invalid hostname generates curl error condition and is retried but eventually
# raises an error condition.
RETRY("GET", "http://invalidhostname/")
```

revoke\_all

Revoke all OAuth tokens in the cache.

### **Description**

Use this function if you think that your token may have been compromised, e.g. you accidentally uploaded the cache file to github. It's not possible to automatically revoke all tokens - this function will warn when it can't.

# Usage

```
revoke_all(cache_path = NA)
```

#### **Arguments**

cache\_path Path to cache file. Defaults to .httr-oauth in current directory.

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set\_config

Set (and reset) global httr configuration.

# Description

Set (and reset) global httr configuration.

# Usage

```
set_config(config, override = FALSE)
reset_config()
```

# Arguments

config Settings as generated by add\_headers(), set\_cookies() or authenticate().

override if TRUE, ignore existing settings, if FALSE, combine new config with old.

# Value

invisibility, the old global config.

# See Also

Other ways to set configuration: config, with\_config

# **Examples**

```
GET("http://google.com")
set_config(verbose())
GET("http://google.com")
reset_config()
GET("http://google.com")
```

set\_cookies

Set cookies.

# Description

Set cookies.

# Usage

```
set_cookies(..., .cookies = character(0))
```

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#### **Arguments**

```
... a named cookie values
.cookies a named character vector
```

# See Also

```
cookies() to see cookies in response.
```

Other config: add\_headers, authenticate, config, timeout, use\_proxy, user\_agent, verbose

# **Examples**

```
set_cookies(a = 1, b = 2)
set_cookies(.cookies = c(a = "1", b = "2"))

GET("http://httpbin.org/cookies")
GET("http://httpbin.org/cookies", set_cookies(a = 1, b = 2))
```

status\_code

Extract status code from response.

# **Description**

Extract status code from response.

# Usage

```
status_code(x)
```

# Arguments

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A response

stop\_for\_status

Take action on http error.

# Description

Converts http errors to R errors or warnings - these should always be used whenever you're creating requests inside a function, so that the user knows why a request has failed.

#### Usage

```
stop_for_status(x, task = NULL)
warn_for_status(x, task = NULL)
message_for_status(x, task = NULL)
```

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# **Arguments**

X	a response, or numeric http code (or other object with status_code method)
task	The text of the message: either NULL or a character vector. If non-NULL, the error
	message will finish with "Failed to task".

#### Value

If request was successful, the response (invisibly). Otherwise, raised a classed http error or warning, as generated by http\_condition()

#### See Also

http\_status() and http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Http\_status\_codes for more information on http status codes.

Other response methods: content, http\_error, http\_status, response

#### **Examples**

```
x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/status/200")</pre>
stop_for_status(x) # nothing happens
warn_for_status(x)
message_for_status(x)
x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/status/300")</pre>
## Not run:
stop_for_status(x)
## End(Not run)
warn_for_status(x)
message\_for\_status(x)
x <- GET("http://httpbin.org/status/404")</pre>
## Not run:
stop_for_status(x)
## End(Not run)
warn_for_status(x)
message_for_status(x)
# You can provide more information with the task argument
warn_for_status(x, "download spreadsheet")
message_for_status(x, "download spreadsheet")
```

timeout

Set maximum request time.

# **Description**

Set maximum request time.

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#### Usage

```
timeout(seconds)
```

# **Arguments**

seconds number of seconds to wait for a response until giving up. Can not be less than 1

ms.

# See Also

```
Other config: add_headers, authenticate, config, set_cookies, use_proxy, user_agent, verbose
```

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
GET("http://httpbin.org/delay/3", timeout(1))
GET("http://httpbin.org/delay/1", timeout(2))
## End(Not run)
```

upload\_file

*Upload a file with* POST() *or* PUT().

# **Description**

```
Upload a file with POST() or PUT().
```

# Usage

```
upload_file(path, type = NULL)
```

# Arguments

path path to file

type mime type of path. If not supplied, will be guess by mime::guess\_type() when

needed.

# **Examples**

```
citation <- upload_file(system.file("CITATION"))
POST("http://httpbin.org/post", body = citation)
POST("http://httpbin.org/post", body = list(y = citation))</pre>
```

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user\_agent

Set user agent.

# Description

Override the default RCurl user agent of NULL

# Usage

```
user_agent(agent)
```

#### **Arguments**

agent

string giving user agent

# See Also

Other config: add\_headers, authenticate, config, set\_cookies, timeout, use\_proxy, verbose

# **Examples**

```
GET("http://httpbin.org/user-agent")
GET("http://httpbin.org/user-agent", user_agent("httr"))
```

use\_proxy

Use a proxy to connect to the internet.

# **Description**

Use a proxy to connect to the internet.

# Usage

```
use_proxy(url, port = NULL, username = NULL, password = NULL,
  auth = "basic")
```

# **Arguments**

```
url, port location of proxy
username, password
```

login details for proxy, if needed

auth type of HTTP authentication to use.

type of HTTP authentication to use. Should be one of the following: basic, digest, digest\_ie, gssnegotiate, ntlm, any.

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#### See Also

Other config: add\_headers, authenticate, config, set\_cookies, timeout, user\_agent, verbose

#### **Examples**

```
# See http://www.hidemyass.com/proxy-list for a list of public proxies
# to test with
# GET("http://had.co.nz", use_proxy("64.251.21.73", 8080), verbose())
```

**VERB** 

VERB a url.

# **Description**

Use an arbitrary verb.

#### Usage

```
VERB(verb, url = NULL, config = list(), ..., body = NULL,
  encode = c("multipart", "form", "json", "raw"), handle = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

verb	Name of verb to use.
url	the url of the page to retrieve
config	Additional configuration settings such as http authentication (authenticate()), additional headers (add_headers()), cookies (set_cookies()) etc. See config() for full details and list of helpers.
• • •	Further named parameters, such as query, path, etc, passed on to modify_url(). Unnamed parameters will be combined with config().
body	One of the following:

- - FALSE: No body. This is typically not used with POST, PUT, or PATCH, but can be useful if you need to send a bodyless request (like GET) with VERB().
  - NULL: An empty body
  - "": A length 0 body
  - upload\_file("path/"): The contents of a file. The mime type will be guessed from the extension, or can be supplied explicitly as the second argument to upload\_file()
  - A character or raw vector: sent as is in body. Use content\_type() to tell the server what sort of data you are sending.
  - A named list: See details for encode.

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encode

If the body is a named list, how should it be encoded? Can be one of form (application/x-www-form-urlencoded), multipart, (multipart/form-data), or json (application/json).

For "multipart", list elements can be strings or objects created by upload\_file(). For "form", elements are coerced to strings and escaped, use I() to prevent double-escaping. For "json", parameters are automatically "unboxed" (i.e. length 1 vectors are converted to scalars). To preserve a length 1 vector as a vector, wrap in I(). For "raw", either a character or raw vector. You'll need to make sure to set the content\_type() yourself.

handle

The handle to use with this request. If not supplied, will be retrieved and reused from the handle\_pool() based on the scheme, hostname and port of the url. By default httr requests to the same scheme/host/port combo. This substantially reduces connection time, and ensures that cookies are maintained over multiple requests to the same host. See handle\_pool() for more details.

#### Value

A response() object.

#### See Also

Other http methods: BROWSE, DELETE, GET, HEAD, PATCH, POST, PUT

#### **Examples**

```
r <- VERB(
   "PROPFIND", "http://svn.r-project.org/R/tags/",
   add_headers(depth = 1), verbose()
)
stop_for_status(r)
content(r)

VERB("POST", url = "http://httpbin.org/post")
VERB("POST", url = "http://httpbin.org/post", body = "foobar")</pre>
```

verbose

Give verbose output.

#### Description

A verbose connection provides much more information about the flow of information between the client and server.

#### Usage

```
verbose(data_out = TRUE, data_in = FALSE, info = FALSE,
    ssl = FALSE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

data_out	Show data sent to the server.
data_in	Show data recieved from the server.
info	Show informational text from curl. This is mainly useful for debugging https and auth problems, so is disabled by default.
ssl	Show even data sent/recieved over SSL connections?

#### **Prefixes**

verbose() uses the following prefixes to distinguish between different components of the http messages:

- \* informative curl messages
- -> headers sent (out)
- >> data sent (out)
- \*> ssl data sent (out)
- <- headers received (in)
- << data received (in)
- <\* ssl data received (in)

#### See Also

with\_verbose() makes it easier to use verbose mode even when the requests are buried inside another function call.

Other config: add\_headers, authenticate, config, set\_cookies, timeout, use\_proxy, user\_agent

#### **Examples**

```
GET("http://httpbin.org", verbose())
GET("http://httpbin.org", verbose(info = TRUE))
f <- function() {</pre>
  GET("http://httpbin.org")
}
with_verbose(f())
with_verbose(f(), info = TRUE)
# verbose() makes it easy to see exactly what POST requests send
POST_verbose <- function(body, ...) {</pre>
  POST("https://httpbin.org/post", body = body, verbose(), ...)
  invisible()
}
POST_verbose(list(x = "a", y = "b"))
POST_verbose(list(x = "a", y = "b"), encode = "form")
POST_verbose(FALSE)
POST_verbose(NULL)
POST_verbose("")
POST_verbose("xyz")
```

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with	config	

Execute code with configuration set.

# **Description**

Execute code with configuration set.

# Usage

```
with_config(config = config(), expr, override = FALSE)
with_verbose(expr, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
config Settings as generated by add_headers(), set_cookies() or authenticate().

expr code to execute under specified configuration

override if TRUE, ignore existing settings, if FALSE, combine new config with old.

Other arguments passed on to verbose()
```

#### See Also

Other ways to set configuration: config, set\_config

# **Examples**

```
with_config(verbose(), {
   GET("http://had.co.nz")
   GET("http://google.com")
})
# Or even easier:
with_verbose(GET("http://google.com"))
```

write\_disk

Control where the response body is written.

# **Description**

The default behaviour is to use write\_memory(), which caches the response locally in memory. This is useful when talking to APIs as it avoids a round-trip to disk. If you want to save a file that's bigger than memory, use write\_disk() to save it to a known path.

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#### **Usage**

```
write_disk(path, overwrite = FALSE)
write_memory()
```

# **Arguments**

path Path to content to.

overwrite Will only overwrite existing path if TRUE.

#### **Examples**

```
tmp <- tempfile()
r1 <- GET("https://www.google.com", write_disk(tmp))
readLines(tmp)

# The default
r2 <- GET("https://www.google.com", write_memory())

# Save a very large file
## Not run:
GET(
    "http://www2.census.gov/acs2011_5yr/pums/csv_pus.zip",
    write_disk("csv_pus.zip"), progress()
)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

write\_stream

Process output in a streaming manner.

#### **Description**

This is the most general way of processing the response from the server - you receive the raw bytes as they come in, and you can do whatever you want with them.

#### Usage

```
write_stream(f)
```

#### **Arguments**

f

Callback function. It should have a single argument, a raw vector containing the bytes received from the server. This will usually be 16k or less. The return value of the function is ignored.

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# Examples

```
GET(
   "https://github.com/jeroen/data/raw/gh-pages/diamonds.json",
   write_stream(function(x) {
     print(length(x))
     length(x)
   })
)
```

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