# Package 'gypsum'

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### Description

Abort an upload session, usually after an irrecoverable error.

### Usage

```
abortUpload(init, url = restUrl())
```

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### **Arguments**

init List containing abort\_url and session\_token. This is typically the return

value from startUpload.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned on successful abort.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
startUpload, to create init.
```

#### **Examples**

```
tmp <- tempfile()
dir.create(tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "blah.txt"), LETTERS)
dir.create(file.path(tmp, "foo"))
write(file=file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"), 1:10)

if (interactive()) {
    init <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
        asset="upload-abort-check",
        version="v1",
        files=list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE),
        probation=TRUE,
        directory=tmp
    )

# Aborting the upload.
    abortUpload(init)
}</pre>
```

accessToken

Get and set GitHub access tokens

### Description

Get and set GitHub access tokens for authentication to the gypsum API's endpoints.

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### Usage

```
accessToken(full = FALSE, request = TRUE, cache = cacheDirectory())
setAccessToken(
  token,
  app.url = restUrl(),
  app.key = NULL,
  app.secret = NULL,
  github.url = "https://api.github.com",
  user.agent = NULL,
  cache = cacheDirectory()
)
```

#### **Arguments**

full	Logical scalar indicating whether to return the full token details.
request	Logical scalar indicating whether to request a new token if no cached token is available or if the current token has expired.
cache	String containing a path to the cache directory, to store the token across R sessions. If NULL, the token is not cached to (or read from) disk, which improves security on shared filesystems.
token	String containing a GitHub personal access token. This should have the "read:org" and "read:user" scopes. If missing, the user will be prompted to use GitHub's Oauth web application flow to acquire a token. If NULL, any existing tokens are cleared from cache.
app.url	String containing a URL of the gypsum REST API. This is used to obtain app.key and app.secret if either are NULL.
app.key	String containing the key for a GitHub Oauth app.
app.secret	String containing the secret for a GitHub Oauth app.
github.url	String containing the URL for the GitHub API. This is used to acquire more information about the token.
user.agent	String specifying the user agent for queries to various endpoints.

### Value

setAccessToken sets the access token and invisibly returns a list containing:

- token, a string containing the token.
- name, the name of the GitHub user authenticated by the token.
- expires, the Unix time at which the token expires.

If full=TRUE, accessToken returns the same list, typically retrieved from one of the caches. If no token was cached or the cached token has expired, it will call setAccessToken with default arguments to obtain one if request=TRUE; otherwise if request=FALSE, NULL is returned.

If full=FALSE, accessToken will return a string containing a token (or NULL, if no token is available and request=FALSE).

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

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#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    accessToken()
}
```

 ${\it approve Probation}$ 

Approve a probational upload

### Description

Pretty much as it says: approve a probational upload of a version of a project's asset. This removes the on\_probation tag from the uploaded version.

### Usage

```
approveProbation(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken()
)
```

#### **Arguments**

token

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

version String containing the version name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to an owner of project.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned upon successful approval.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
rejectProbation, to reject the probational upload. startUpload, to specify probational uploads.
```

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#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Mocking up a versioned asset.
    init <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
        asset="probation-approve",
        version="v1",
        files=character(0),
        probation=TRUE
    )
    completeUpload(init)

# Approving the probation:
    approveProbation("test-R", "probation-approve", "v1")

# Just cleaning up after we're done.
    removeProjectAsset("test-R", "probation-approve")
}</pre>
```

cacheDirectory

Cache directory

#### **Description**

Specify the cache directory in the local filesystem for gypsum-related data.

### Usage

```
cacheDirectory(dir)
```

### Arguments

dir

String containing the path to a cache directory.

#### **Details**

If the GYPSUM\_CACHE\_DIR environment variable is set before the first call to cacheDirectory, it is used as the initial location of the cache directory. Otherwise, the initial location is based on R\_user\_dir.

#### Value

If dir is missing, the current setting of the cache directory is returned.

If dir is provided, it is used to replace the current setting of the cache directory, and the *previous* setting is invisibly returned.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

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#### **Examples**

```
cacheDirectory()
old <- cacheDirectory(tempfile())
cacheDirectory()
cacheDirectory(old) # setting it back.</pre>
```

cloneVersion

Clone a version's directory structure

#### **Description**

Clone the directory structure for a versioned asset into a separate location. This is typically used to prepare a new version for a lightweight upload.

### Usage

```
cloneVersion(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  destination,
  download = TRUE,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL,
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name. asset String containing the asset name. String containing the version name. version destination String containing a path to a destination directory at which to create the clone. download Logical scalar indicating whether the version's files should be downloaded first. This can be set to FALSE to create a clone without actually downloading any of the version's files. cache String containing the path to the cache directory. String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API. url Deprecated and ignored. config Further arguments to pass to saveVersion. Only used if download=TRUE.

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#### **Details**

Cloning of a versioned asset involves creating a directory at destination that has the same contents as the corresponding project-asset-version directory. All files in the specified version are represented as symlinks from destination to the corresponding file in the cache. The idea is that, when destination is used in prepareDirectoryUpload, the symlinks are converted into upload links, i.e., links= in startUpload. This allows users to create new versions very cheaply as duplicate files are not uploaded to/stored in the backend.

Users can more-or-less do whatever they want inside the cloned destination, but they should treat the symlink targets as read-only. That is, they should not modify the contents of the linked-to file, as these refer to assumed-immutable files in the cache. If a file in destination needs to be modified, the symlink should be deleted and replaced with an actual file; this avoids mutating the cache and it ensures that prepareDirectoryUpload recognizes that a new file actually needs to be uploaded.

Advanced users can set download=FALSE, in which case symlinks are created even if their targets are not present in cache. In such cases, destination should be treated as write-only due to the potential presence of dangling symlinks. This mode is useful for uploading a new version of an asset without downloading the files from the existing version, assuming that the modifications associated with the former can be achieved without reading any of the latter.

On Windows, the user may not have permissions to create symbolic links, so the function will transparently fall back to creating hard links or copies instead. This precludes any optimization by prepareDirectoryUpload as the hard links/copies cannot be converted into upload links. It also assumes that download=TRUE as dangling links/copies cannot be created.

#### Value

The directory structure of the specified version is cloned to destination, and a NULL is invisibly returned.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

prepareDirectoryUpload, to prepare an upload based on the directory contents.

```
tmp <- tempfile()
out <- cloneVersion("test-R", "basic", "v1", destination=tmp)
list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE)
Sys.readlink(file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"))
# Files should be replaced rather than modified via the symlink:
existing <- file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt")
unlink(existing) # Deleting the symlink...
write(file=existing, "YAY") # ... and writing a replacement file.
# Symlinks are converted to upload links:
prepareDirectoryUpload(tmp)</pre>
```

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completeUpload

Complete an upload

### **Description**

Complete an upload session after all files have been uploaded.

#### Usage

```
completeUpload(init, url = restUrl())
```

### **Arguments**

init List containing complete\_url and session\_token. This is typically the return

value from startUpload.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned on successful completion.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
startUpload, to create init.
```

```
tmp <- tempfile()</pre>
dir.create(tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "blah.txt"), LETTERS)
dir.create(file.path(tmp, "foo"))
write(file=file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"), 1:10)
if (interactive()) {
    init <- startUpload(</pre>
        project="test-R",
        asset="upload-complete-check",
        version="v1",
        files=list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE),
        probation=TRUE,
        directory=tmp
    uploadFiles(init, directory=tmp)
    # Finishing the upload.
    completeUpload(init)
}
```

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Create a new project

### Description

Create a new project with the associated permissions.

### Usage

```
createProject(
  project,
  owners,
  uploaders = list(),
  baseline = NULL,
  growth = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken()
)
```

### **Arguments**

project	String containing the project name.
owners	Character vector containing the GitHub users or organizations that are owners of this project.
uploaders	List specifying the authorized uploaders for this project. See the uploaders field in the fetchPermissions return value for the expected format.
baseline	Numeric scalar specifying the baseline quota in bytes. If $\ensuremath{NULL}$ , the backend's default is used.
growth	Numeric scalar specifying the quota's annual growth rate in bytes. If NULL, the backend's default is used.
year	Integer scalar specifying the year of the project creation. If NULL, the backend's default is used - this should be the current year.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
token	String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned if the project was successfully created.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

removeProject, to remove a project.

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#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    createProject(
       "test-R-create",
       owners="LTLA",
       uploaders=list(list(id="ArtifactDB-bot"))
    )
}
```

fetchLatest

Fetch the latest version

### Description

Fetch the latest version of a project's asset.

### Usage

```
fetchLatest(project, asset, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

### Value

String containing the latest version of the project.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

refreshLatest, to refresh the latest version.

```
fetchLatest("test-R", "basic")
```

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Fetch version manifest

#### **Description**

Fetch the manifest for a version of an asset of a project.

#### Usage

```
fetchManifest(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

version String containing the version name.

cache String containing the cache directory. If NULL, no caching is performed.

overwrite Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite an existing file in cache, if one is present.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

List containing the manifest for this version. Each element is named after the relative path of a file in this version. The value of each element is another list with the following fields:

- size, an integer specifying the size of the file in bytes.
- md5sum, a string containing the hex-encoded MD5 checksum of the file.
- link (optional): a list specifying the link destination for a file. This contains the strings project, asset, version and path. If the link destination is itself a link, an ancestor list will be present that specifies the final location of the file after resolving all intermediate links.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

```
fetchManifest("test-R", "basic", "v1")
```

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fetchMetadataDatabase Fetch a metadata database

#### **Description**

Fetch a SQLite database containing metadata from the gypsum backend (see <a href="https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index">https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index</a>). Each database is generated by aggregating metadata across multiple assets and/or projects, and can be used to perform searches for interesting objects.

#### Usage

```
fetchMetadataDatabase(
  name = "bioconductor.sqlite3",
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

name String containing the name of the database. This can be the name of any SQLite

file in https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index/

releases/tag/latest.

cache String containing the cache directory. If NULL, no caching is performed.

overwrite Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite an existing file in cache, if one is

present.

#### **Details**

This function will automatically check for updates to the SQLite files and will download new versions accordingly. New checks are performed when one hour or more has elapsed since the last check. If the check fails, a warning is raised and the function returns the currently cached file.

#### Value

String containing a path to the downloaded database.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

fetchMetadataSchema, to get the JSON schema used to define the database tables.

```
{\sf fetchMetadataDatabase()}
```

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fetchMetadataSchema

Fetch a metadata schema

#### **Description**

Fetch a JSON schema file for metadata to be inserted into a SQLite database (see <a href="https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index">https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index</a>). Each SQLite database is created from metadata files uploaded to the gypsum backend, so clients uploading objects to be incorporated into the database should validate their metadata against the corresponding JSON schema.

### Usage

```
fetchMetadataSchema(
  name = "bioconductor/v1.json",
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

name String containing the name of the schema. This can be the name of any JSON

schema file published at https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index.

cache String containing the cache directory. If NULL, no caching is performed.

overwrite Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite an existing file in cache, if one is

present.

### Value

String containing a path to the downloaded schema.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
validateMetadata, to validate metadata against a chosen schema.
```

fetchMetadataDatabase, to obtain the SQLite database of metadata.

```
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```

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fetchPermissions	Fetch project permissions
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#### **Description**

Fetch the permissions for a project.

#### Usage

```
fetchPermissions(project, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

List containing the permissions for this project. This has the following elements:

- owners, a character vector containing the GitHub users or organizations that are owners of this project.
- uploaders, a list of lists specifying the users or organizations who are authorzied to upload to this project. Each entry is a list with the following fields:
  - id, a string containing the GitHub user or organization that is authorized to upload.
  - (optional) asset, a string containing the name of the asset that the uploader is allowed to upload to. If not provided, there is no restriction on the uploaded asset name.
  - (optional) version, a string containing the name of the version that the uploader is allowed to upload to. If not provided, there is no restriction on the uploaded version name.
  - (optional) until, a POSIXct object containing the expiry date of this authorization. If not provided, the authorization does not expire.
  - (optional) trusted, whether the uploader is trusted. If not provided, defaults to FALSE.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

setPermissions, to set the permissions.

```
fetchPermissions("test-R")
```

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fetchQuota

Fetch project quota details

### Description

Fetch the quota details for a project.

### Usage

```
fetchQuota(project, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

### Value

List containing baseline, the baseline quota at time zero in bytes; growth\_rate, the annual growth rate for the quota in bytes; and year, the creation year (i.e., time zero) for this project.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

setQuota, to set the quota details.

### **Examples**

```
fetchQuota("test-R")
```

fetchSummary

Fetch version summary

### **Description**

Fetch the summary for a version of an asset of a project.

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### Usage

```
fetchSummary(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

project	String containing the project name.
asset	String containing the asset name.
version	String containing the version name.
cache	String containing the cache directory. If NULL, no caching is performed.
overwrite	Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite an existing file in cache, if one is present.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
config	Deprecated and ignored.

### Value

List containing the summary for this version, with the following fields:

- upload\_user\_id, string containing the identity of the uploader.
- upload\_start, a POSIXct object containing the upload start time.
- upload\_finish, a POSIXct object containing the upload finish time.
- on\_probation (optional), a logical scalar indicating whether the upload is probational. If missing, this can be assumed to be FALSE.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

```
fetchSummary("test-R", "basic", "v1")
```

fetchUsage

Fetch project usage details

### **Description**

Fetch the quota usage for a project.

#### Usage

```
fetchUsage(project, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

Numeric scalar specifying the quota usage for the project, in bytes.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

refreshUsage, to recompute the used quota.

### **Examples**

```
fetchUsage("test-R")
```

 ${\tt formatObjectMetadata}$ 

Format object-related metadata

### Description

Create object-related metadata to validate against the default schema from fetchMetadataSchema. This is intended for downstream package developers who are auto-generating metadata documents to be validated by validateMetadata.

#### Usage

formatObjectMetadata(x)

#### **Arguments**

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An R object, typically an instance of a Bioconductor class.

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#### Value

List containing the object-related metadata, typically stored in the applications. takane field of the metadata.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### **Examples**

```
df <- S4Vectors::DataFrame(alpha=LETTERS, numeric=runif(26))
formatObjectMetadata(df)</pre>
```

listAssets

List assets

### Description

List all assets in a project.

### Usage

```
listAssets(project, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

Character vector of asset names.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

```
listAssets("test-R")
```

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List files for a version

### Description

List files belonging to a version of a project asset.

### Usage

```
listFiles(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  prefix = NULL,
  include.. = TRUE,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

project	String containing the project name.
asset	String containing the asset name.
version	String containing the version name.
prefix	String containing the remaining prefix for the object key. If provided, a file is only listed if its object key starts with {project}/{asset}/{version}/{prefix}. If NULL, all files associated with this version of the asset are listed.
include	Logical scalar indicating whether to list files with / in their object keys.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
config	Deprecated and ignored.

### Value

Character vector of relative paths of files associated with the versioned asset.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

```
listFiles("test-R", "basic", "v1")
```

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listProjects List all projects

### Description

List all projects in the gypsum backent.

### Usage

```
listProjects(url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API. config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

Character vector of project names.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    listProjects()
}
```

listVersions

List asset versions

### Description

List all versions of a project asset.

### Usage

```
listVersions(project, asset, url = restUrl(), config = NULL)
```

### Arguments

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

Character vector of versions.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### **Examples**

```
listVersions("test-R", "basic")
```

prepareDirectoryUpload

Prepare to upload a directory

#### Description

Prepare to upload a directory's contents via startUpload. This goes through the directory to list its contents and convert symlinks to upload links.

#### Usage

```
prepareDirectoryUpload(
  directory,
  links = c("auto", "always", "never"),
  cache = cacheDirectory()
)
```

### **Arguments**

directory

String containing the path to a directory, the contents of which are to be uploaded via startUpload.

links

String indicating how to handle symlinks in directory.

- "auto" will attempt to convert symlinks into upload links. If the conversion fails, a regular upload is performed.
- "always" will attempt to convert symlinks into upload links. If the conversion fails, an error is raised.
- "never" will never attempt to convert symlinks into upload links. All symlinked files are treated as regular uploads.

cache

String containing a path to the cache directory, used to convert symlinks into upload links.

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#### **Details**

Files in directory (that are not symlinks) are used as regular uploads, i.e., files=in startUpload.

If directory contains a symlink to a file in cache, we assume that it points to a file that was previously downloaded by, e.g., saveFile or saveVersion. Thus, instead of performing a regular upload, we attempt to create an upload link, i.e., links= in startUpload. This is achieved by examining the destination path of the symlink and inferring the link destination in the backend. Note that this still works if the symlinks are dangling.

If a symlink cannot be converted into an upload link, it will be used as a regular upload, i.e., the contents of the symlink destination will be uploaded by startUpload. In this case, an error will be raised if the symlink is dangling as there is no file that can actually be uploaded. If links="always", an error is raised instead upon symlink conversion failure.

This function is intended to be used with cloneVersion, which creates symlinks to files in cache.

#### Value

List containing files, a character vector to be used as files= in startUpload; and links, a data frame to be used as links= in startUpload.

#### See Also

```
startUpload, to actually start the upload. cloneVersion, to prepare the symlinks.
```

R sessions.

#### **Examples**

```
tmp <- tempfile()
out <- cloneVersion("test-R", "basic", "v1", destination=tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "heanna"), "sumire")
prepareDirectoryUpload(tmp)</pre>
```

publicS3Config

Public S3 configuration

#### **Description**

Fetch S3 credentials and other configuration details for read-only access to the underlying gypsum bucket.

### Usage

```
publicS3Config(refresh = FALSE, url = restUrl(), cache = cacheDirectory())
```

#### **Arguments**

refresh	Logical scalar indicating whether to refresh the credentials in the in-memory cache.
url	String containing a URL to the gypsum REST API.
cache	String containing a path to the cache directory, to store the configuration across

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#### **Details**

The configuration is obtained through a query to url on the first use of this function. The result is automatically cached in memory and on disk to reduce the number of network requests to the API. New credentials are automatically fetched if the on-disk cache is older than a week; this refresh can be performed manually by calling this function with refresh=TRUE.

#### Value

List containing:

- key, a string containing the read-only S3 access key ID.
- secret, a string containing the associated S3 access secret.
- bucket, a string containing the name of the bucket.
- endpoint, a string containing the URL for the S3 API.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### **Examples**

```
publicS3Config()
```

refreshLatest

Refresh the latest version

### **Description**

Recompute the latest version of a project's asset. This is useful on rare occasions where multiple simultaneous uploads cause the latest version to be slightly out of sync.

#### Usage

```
refreshLatest(project, asset, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

#### Value

String containing the latest version of the project, or NULL if there are no non-probational versions.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

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#### See Also

fetchLatest, to get the latest version without recomputing it.

#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    refreshLatest("test-R", "basic")
}
```

refreshUsage

Refresh the quota usage

### Description

Recompute the quota usage of a project. This is useful on rare occasions where multiple simultaneous uploads cause the usage calculations to be out of sync.

### Usage

```
refreshUsage(project, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

### Value

Numeric scalar specifying the total quota usage of this project, in bytes.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

fetchUsage, to get the usage without recomputing it.

```
if (interactive()) {
    refreshUsage("test-R")
}
```

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rejectProbation

Reject a probational upload

### **Description**

Pretty much as it says: reject a probational upload of a version of a project's asset. This removes all files associated with that version.

#### Usage

```
rejectProbation(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken()
)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

version String containing the version name.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to an owner of project.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned upon successful rejection.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
approveProbation, to approve the probational upload. startUpload, to specify probational uploads.
```

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Mocking up a versioned asset.
    init <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
        asset="probation-reject",
        version="v1",
        files=character(0),
        probation=TRUE
)</pre>
```

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```
completeUpload(init)

# Rejecting the probation:
  rejectProbation("test-R", "probation-reject", "v1")
}
```

removeAsset

Remove an asset

#### **Description**

Remove an asset of a project from the gypsum backend.

#### Usage

```
removeAsset(project, asset, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

### Arguments

project String containing the project to remove. asset String containing the asset to remove.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned if the asset was successfully removed.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
removeProject, to remove a project.
removeVersion, to remove a specific version.
```

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Mocking up a versioned asset.
    init <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
        asset="removal",
        version="v1",
        files=character(0),
        probation=TRUE
    )
    completeUpload(init)
    removeAsset("test-R", asset="removal")
}</pre>
```

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removeProject

Remove a project

### Description

Remove a project from the gypsum backend.

#### Usage

```
removeProject(project, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project to remove.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned if the project was successfully removed.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

```
createProject, to create a project.
removeAsset and removeVersion, to remove an asset or version.
```

#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    createProject("test-R-remove", owners="LTLA")
    removeProject("test-R-remove")
}
```

 ${\tt removeVersion}$ 

Remove a version of an asset

### Description

Remove a version of an asset from the gypsum backend.

### Usage

```
removeVersion(project, asset, version, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

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### **Arguments**

project	String containing the project to remove.
asset	String containing the asset to remove.
version	String containing the version of the asset to remove.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
token	String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned if the project or its contents was successfully removed.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

removeAsset and removeProject, to remove an asset or project.

### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Mocking up a versioned asset.
    init <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
        asset="removal",
        version="v1",
        files=character(0),
        probation=TRUE
    )
    completeUpload(init)

    removeVersion("test-R", asset="removal", version="v1")
}</pre>
```

resolveLinks

Resolve links in the cache directory

### Description

Create hard links (or copies, if filesystem links are not supported) for linked-from files to their link destinations.

restUrl restUrl

### Usage

```
resolveLinks(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

asset String containing the asset name.

version String containing the version name.

cache String containing the path to the cache directory.

overwrite Logical scalar indicating whether to replace existing files at the linked-from

paths.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### Value

NULL is returned on successful completion.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### **Examples**

```
cache <- tempfile()
saveVersion("test-R", "basic", "v3", relink=FALSE, cache=cache)
list.files(cache, recursive=TRUE, all.files=TRUE)

resolveLinks("test-R", "basic", "v3", cache=cache)
list.files(cache, recursive=TRUE, all.files=TRUE)</pre>
```

restUrl

URL for the REST API

#### **Description**

Get or set the URL for the gypsum REST API.

#### Usage

```
restUrl(url)
```

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#### **Arguments**

url

String containing the URL of the REST API.

#### Value

If url is missing, the current setting of the URL is returned.

If url is provided, it is used to replace the current setting of the URL, and the *previous* setting of the URL is invisibly returned.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### **Examples**

```
restUrl()
old <- restUrl("https://some-other.rest-api.io") # replace it.
restUrl()
restUrl(old) # setting it back.</pre>
```

saveFile

Save a file from a version of a project asset

#### **Description**

Download a file from the gypsum bucket, for a version of an asset of a project.

#### Usage

```
saveFile(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  path,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name.

String containing the asset name.

Version String containing the version name.

path String containing the suffix of the

String containing the suffix of the object key for the file of interest, i.e., the

relative "path" inside the version's "subdirectory". The full object key is defined

as {project}/{asset}/{version}/{path}.

cache String containing the path to the cache directory.

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overwrite Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite an existing file in cache. If FALSE

and the file exists in cache, the download is skipped.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

config Deprecated and ignored.

#### **Details**

The full object key is defined as {project}/{asset}/{version}/{path}. If no file exists in the project-asset-version combination at path, this function will check the ..links file to check whether path refers to a linked-from file. If so, the contents of the link destination is downloaded to the cache and a link/copy is created at the returned file path.

#### Value

The file is downloaded to the local file system. The destination file path is returned.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
saveVersion, to save all files with the same prefix. cacheDirectory, for file caching.
```

#### **Examples**

```
out <- saveFile("test-R", "basic", "v1", "blah.txt")
readLines(out)</pre>
```

saveVersion

Save all files for a version of a project asset

### **Description**

Download all files associated with a version of an asset of a project from the gypsum bucket.

### Usage

```
saveVersion(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  relink = TRUE,
  concurrent = 1,
  url = restUrl(),
  config = NULL
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name. asset String containing the asset name. String containing the version name. version String containing the path to the cache directory. cache Logical scalar indicating whether to overwrite existing files in the cache. If overwrite FALSE and the files already exist in cache, the download is skipped. relink Logical scalar indicating whether links should be resolved, see resolveLinks. concurrent Integer specifying the number of concurrent downloads. url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

#### Value

config

The version's files are downloaded to the local file system, and the path to the local subdirectory is returned.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

```
saveFile, to save a single file.
cacheDirectory, for file caching.
```

### **Examples**

```
out <- saveVersion("test-R", "basic", "v1")
list.files(out, recursive=TRUE, all.files=TRUE)</pre>
```

Deprecated and ignored.

searchMetadata

Search the metadata database

#### **Description**

Search a SQLite database containing metadata from the gypsum backend. This is based on a precomputed tokenization of all string properties in each metadata document; see <a href="https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index">https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index</a> for details.

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#### Usage

```
searchMetadata(path, query, latest = TRUE, include.metadata = TRUE)
gsc(
  text = NULL,
  project = NULL,
  asset = NULL,
  version = NULL,
  path = NULL,
  user = NULL,
  time = NULL,
  field = NULL,
  partial = FALSE,
  after = TRUE
)
searchMetadataFilter(
  query,
 pid.name = "paths.pid",
 project.name = "versions.project",
  asset.name = "versions.asset",
  version.name = "versions.version",
 path.name = "paths.path",
 user.name = "versions.user",
  time.name = "versions.time"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

path For searchMetadata, a string containing a path to a SQLite file, usually ob-

tained via fetchMetadataDatabase.

For gsc, the suffix of the object key of the metadata document, i.e., the relative "path" to the metadata file inside the version's "directory". This may be missing

as long as other arguments are supplied to gsc.

query A gypsum.search.clause object, typically produced by gsc or translateTextQuery.

latest Logical scalar indicating whether to only search for matches within the latest

version of each asset.

include.metadata

Logical scalar indicating whether metadata should be returned.

text String containing the text to query on. This will be automatically tokenized, see

Details. This may be missing as long as other arguments are supplied to gsc.

project String containing the name of the project. This may be missing as long as other

arguments are supplied to gsc.

asset String containing the name of the asset. This may be missing as long as other

arguments are supplied to gsc.

version String containing the name of the version. This may be missing as long as other

arguments are supplied to gsc.

user String containing the user ID of the uploader. This may be missing as long as

other arguments are supplied to gsc.

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time	Number specifying the Unix timestamp (in seconds) at which the upload was finished. This may be missing as long as other arguments are supplied to gsc.
field	String specifying the name of the metadata field in which to search for text. If NULL, the search is performed on all available metadata fields.
partial	For gsc, a logical scalar indicating whether text, project, asset, version, path or user contains SQLite wildcards (%, _) for a partial search. For text, setting partial=TRUE also ensures that the wildcards are preserved during tokenization.
after	Logical scalar indicating whether to search for documents that were uploaded after time. If FALSE, the search will instead consider documents that were uploaded at or before time.
pid.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the paths table that contains the path ID.
project.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the versions table that contains the project name.
asset.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the versions table that contains the asset name.
version.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the versions table that contains the version name.
path.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the paths table that contains the path name.
user.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the versions table that contains the user ID of the uploader.
time.name	String containing the name/alias of the column of the versions table that contains the upload time.

### **Details**

Each query string is tokenized by converting it to lower case and splitting it on characters that are not Unicode letters/numbers or a dash. We currently do not remove diacritics so these will need to be converted to ASCII by the user. If a text query involves only non-letter/number/dash characters, the filter will not be well-defined and will be ignored when constructing SQL statements. The metadata document/field is only considered to match the query string if all of the tokens can be found in that document/field (in any order).

#### Value

For searchMetadata, a data frame specifying the containing the search results.

- · The project, asset and version columns specify the version of the project asset with matching metadata.
- The path column contains the suffix of the object key of the metadata document, i.e., the relative "path" within the version's "directory" to the metadata document. The full object key of the document inside the bucket is defined as {project}/{asset}/{version}/{path}.
- The user column contains the identity of the uploading user.
- The time column contains the time of the upload.
- If include.metadata=TRUE, a metadata column is present with the nested metadata for each match.

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• If latest=TRUE, a latest column is present indicating whether the matching version is the latest for its asset. Otherwise, only the latest version is returned.

For searchMetadataFilter, a list containing where, a string can be directly used as a WHERE filter condition in a SQL SELECT statement; and parameters, the parameter bindings to be used in where. The return value may also be NULL if the query has no well-defined filter.

For gsc, a gypsum.search.clause object that can be used in |, & and ! to create more complex queries involving multiple clauses.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

fetchMetadataDatabase, to download and cache the database files.

https://github.com/ArtifactDB/bioconductor-metadata-index, for details on the SQLite file contents and table structure.

translateTextQuery, to create a gypsum.search.clause from human-friendly syntax.

#### **Examples**

```
path <- fetchMetadataDatabase()
searchMetadata(path, gsc("mouse brain"), include.metadata=FALSE)

# Now for a slightly more complex query:
query <- (gsc("brain") | gsc("pancreas")) & gsc("10090", field="taxonomy_id")
searchMetadata(path, query, include.metadata=FALSE)

# Throwing in some wildcards.
has.neuro <- gsc("Neuro%", partial=TRUE)
searchMetadata(path, has.neuro, include.metadata=FALSE)

# We can also query other properties.
datasets <- gsc(project="scRNAseq") & gsc(asset="l%", partial=TRUE)
searchMetadata(path, datasets, include.metadata=FALSE)</pre>
```

setPermissions

Set project permissions

### Description

Set the owner and uploader permissions for a project.

### Usage

```
setPermissions(
  project,
  owners = NULL,
  uploaders = NULL,
  append = TRUE,
```

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```
url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken()
)
```

#### **Arguments**

project String containing the project name. owners Character vector containing the GitHub users or organizations that are owners of this project. If NULL, no change is made to the existing owners of the project. List specifying the authorized uploaders for this project. See the uploaders uploaders field in the fetchPermissions return value for the expected format. If NULL, no change is made to the existing uploaders of the project. append Logical scalar indicating whether owners and uploaders should be appended to the existing owners and uploaders, respectively, of the project. If FALSE, the owners and uploaders are used to replace the existing values. String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API. url String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST token

API. The token must refer to an owner of the project.

#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned upon successful setting of the permissions.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

fetchPermissions, to fetch the permissions.

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Creating a project for demonstration purposes.
    createProject("test-R-perms", owners="LTLA")

# Setting extra permissions on this project.
    setPermissions("test-R-perms",
        owners="jkanche",
        uploaders=list(list(id="lawremi", until=Sys.time() + 1000))
    )
}
```

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setQuota

Set project quota

### **Description**

Set the storage quota for a project.

### Usage

```
setQuota(
  project,
  baseline = NULL,
  growth = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken()
)
```

### Arguments

project	String containing the project name.
baseline	Numeric scalar specifying the baseline quota (i.e., at time zero) in bytes. If NULL, no change is made to the existing baseline of the project.
growth	Numeric scalar specifying the annual growth rate of the quota, in bytes. If NULL, no change is made to the existing growth rate of the project.
year	Integer scalar specifying the year of creation (i.e., time zero) for the project. If NULL, no change is made to the existing creation year of the project.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
token	String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

### Value

NULL is invisibly returned upon successful setting of the quota.

### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### See Also

fetchQuota, to fetch the quota.

```
if (interactive()) {
    # Creating a project for demonstration purposes.
    createProject("test-R-quota", owners="LTLA")

# Setting a baseline of 10 GB with 5 GB in growth per year.
    setQuota("test-R-quota", baseline=10^10, growth=5^9, year=2019)
```

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}

startUpload

Start an upload

#### **Description**

Start an upload of a new version of an asset, or a new asset of a project.

#### Usage

```
startUpload(
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  files,
  links = NULL,
  deduplicate = TRUE,
  probation = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken(),
  directory = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

project

String containing the project name.

asset

String containing the asset name. This should not contain / or start with ...

version

String containing the version name. This should not contain / or start with . . .

files

Character vector containing the paths of the files to be uploaded. These should be relative to the version's directory.

Alternatively, a data frame where each row corresponds to a file and contains information about those files. This data frame should contain the following fields:

- path, a string containing the relative path of the file inside the version's subdirectory.
- size, a non-negative integer specifying the size of the file in bytes.
- md5sum, a string containing the hex-encoded MD5 checksum of the file.
- (optional) dedup, a logical indicating whether deduplication should be attempted for each file.

links

A data frame where each row corresponds to a linked-from file and contains the link destination for that file. This data frame should contain the following fields:

- from.path, a string containing the relative path of the file inside the version's subdirectory.
- to.project, a string containing the project of the list destination.
- to.asset, a string containing the asset of the list destination.
- to.version, a string containing the version of the list destination.

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• to.path, a string containing the path of the list destination.

deduplicate Logical scalar indicating whether the backend should attempt deduplication of

files in the immediately previous version. Only has an effect if files is not a

data frame or if the dedup field is missing.

probation Logical scalar indicating whether to perform a probational upload. Such uploads

must be approved by the project owner before they are considered official.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a user that is authorized to upload to the specified

project.

directory String containing the path to a directory containing the files to be uploaded.

This directory is assumed to correspond to a version of an asset. It only has an effect if files is a character vector, as it is used to determine the MD5 checksums and sizes. If NULL, directory is set to the current working directory.

#### Value

### List containing:

• file\_urls, a list of lists containing information about each file to be uploaded. This is used by uploadFiles.

- complete\_url, a string containing the completion URL, to be used by completeUpload.
- abort\_url, a string specifying the abort URL, to be used by abortUpload.
- session\_token, a string for authenticating to the newly initialized upload session.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

```
uploadFiles, to actually upload the files.

completeUpload, to indicate that the upload is completed.

abortUpload, to abort an upload in progress.

prepareDirectoryUpload, to create files and links from a directory.
```

```
tmp <- tempfile()
dir.create(tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "blah.txt"), LETTERS)
dir.create(file.path(tmp, "foo"))
write(file=file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"), 1:10)

if (interactive()) {
    blob <- startUpload(
        project="test-R",
            asset="upload-start-check",
        version="v1",
        files=list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE),
        directory=tmp</pre>
```

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```
)
print(blob)

abortUpload(blob) # just cleaning up after we're done.
}
```

translateTextQuery

Translate a plain-text query to a gypsum.search.clause

#### **Description**

Translate a plain-text query in user-friendly format to a gypsum.search.clause, equivalent to that created by gsc with the corresponding boolean operations.

#### Usage

```
translateTextQuery(query)
```

#### **Arguments**

query

String containing a query in user-friendly format to a gypsum.search.clause.

#### **Details**

For text searches, we support a more human-readable syntax for boolean operations in the query. The search string below will look for all metadata documents that match foo or bar but not whee:

```
(foo OR bar) AND NOT whee
```

The AND, OR and NOT (note the all-caps!) are automatically translated to the corresponding search clauses. This can be combined with parentheses to control precedence; otherwise, AND takes precedence over OR, and NOT takes precedence over both. Note that any sequence of adjacent text terms are implicitly AND'd together, so the two expressions below are equivalent:

```
foo bar whee
foo AND bar AND whee
```

Users can prefix any sequence of text terms with the name of a metadata field, to only search for matches within that field of the metadata file. For example:

```
(title: prostate cancer) AND (genome: GRCh38 OR genome: GRCm38)
```

Note that this does not extend to the AND, OR and NOT keywords, e.g., title:foo OR bar will not limit the search for bar to the title field.

If a % wildcard is present in a search term, its corresponding text search clause is configured to perform a partial search.

#### Value

A gypsum.search.clause representing query.

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### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

### **Examples**

```
str(translateTextQuery("foo AND bar"))
str(translateTextQuery("foo AND bar%"))
str(translateTextQuery("(foo AND NOT bar) OR whee"))
str(translateTextQuery("blah:foo whee AND stuff: bar blob"))
```

unlockProject

Unlock a project

### **Description**

Unlock a project on the gypsum backend. This is typically caused by a partial upload that was not properly aborted.

#### Usage

```
unlockProject(project, url = restUrl(), token = accessToken())
```

### **Arguments**

project String containing the project to remove.

url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

token String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST

API. The token must refer to a gypsum administrator account.

### Value

NULL is invisibly returned if the project was successfully removed.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

abortUpload, to correctly abort an upload upon failure.

```
if (interactive()) {
   unlockProject("test-R")
}
```

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uploadDirectory	Upload a directory to the gypsum backend

### Description

Convenience method to upload a directory to the gypsum backend as a versioned asset of a project. This requires uploader permissions to the relevant project.

### Usage

```
uploadDirectory(
  directory,
  project,
  asset,
  version,
  cache = cacheDirectory(),
  deduplicate = TRUE,
  probation = FALSE,
  url = restUrl(),
  token = accessToken(),
  concurrent = 1,
  abort.failed = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

directory	String containing the path to a directory to be uploaded.
project	String containing the project name.
asset	String containing the asset name. This should not contain / or start with
version	String containing the version name. This should not contain / or start with
cache	String containing the path to the cache for saving files, e.g., in saveVersion. Used to convert symbolic links to upload links, see prepareDirectoryUpload.
deduplicate	Logical scalar indicating whether the backend should attempt deduplication of files in the immediately previous version. Only has an effect if files is not a data frame or if the dedup field is missing.
probation	Logical scalar indicating whether to perform a probational upload. Such uploads must be approved by the project owner before they are considered official.
url	String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.
token	String containing a GitHub access token to authenticate to the gypsum REST API. The token must refer to a user that is authorized to upload to the specified project.
concurrent	Integer scalar specifying the number of concurrent uploads in uploadFiles.
abort.failed	Logical scalar indicating whether to abort the upload on any failure. Setting this to FALSE can be helpful for diagnosing upload problems.

### **Details**

This function is a wrapper around prepareDirectoryUpload and startUpload and friends. The aim is to streamline the upload of a directory's contents when no customization of the file listing is required.

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#### Value

On successful upload, NULL is invisibly returned.

#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### **Examples**

```
tmp <- tempfile()
dir.create(tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "blah.txt"), LETTERS)
dir.create(file.path(tmp, "foo"))
write(file=file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"), 1:10)

if (interactive()) {
    # Uploading a probational version for test purposes.
    uploadDirectory(staging, "test-R", "upload-dir-check", version, probation=TRUE)

# Cleaning up after ourselves.
    gypsum::rejectProbation("test-R", "upload-dir-check", version)
}</pre>
```

uploadFiles

Upload files for a versioned asset

#### **Description**

Upload files in an initialized upload session for a version of an asset.

### Usage

```
uploadFiles(init, directory = NULL, url = restUrl(), concurrent = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

init List containing file\_urls and session\_token. This is typically the return value from startUpload.

directory String containing the path to a directory containing the files to be uploaded. This directory is assumed to correspond to a version of an asset. It only has an effect if files is a character vector, as it is used to determine the MD5 checksums and sizes. If NULL, directory is set to the current working directory.

Url String containing the URL of the gypsum REST API.

concurrent Integer specifying the number of concurrent uploads.

### Value

NULL is invisibly returned on successful upload of all files.

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#### Author(s)

Aaron Lun

#### See Also

startUpload, to create init.

#### **Examples**

```
tmp <- tempfile()</pre>
dir.create(tmp)
write(file=file.path(tmp, "blah.txt"), LETTERS)
dir.create(file.path(tmp, "foo"))
write(file=file.path(tmp, "foo", "bar.txt"), 1:10)
if (interactive()) {
    init <- startUpload(</pre>
        project="test-R",
        asset="upload-files-check",
        version="v1",
        files=list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE),
        directory=tmp
    )
    # Executing the upload for all files.
    uploadFiles(init, directory=tmp)
    # Cleaning up after we're done.
    abortUpload(init)
}
```

validateMetadata

Validate metadata against a JSON schema

#### **Description**

Validate metadata against a JSON schema for a SQLite database. This ensures that it can be successfully inserted in the database in downstream indexing steps.

#### Usage

```
validateMetadata(metadata, schema = fetchMetadataSchema(), stringify = NULL)
```

### Arguments

metadata Metadata to be checked. This is usually an R object like a named list, but may

also be a JSON-formatted string.

schema String containing a path to a schema.

stringify Logical scalar indicating whether to convert metadata to a JSON-formatted

string. Defaults to TRUE if metadata is not already a string.

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#### Value

NULL is invisibly returned upon successful validation.

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#### See Also

fetchMetadataSchema, to get the JSON schemas. fetchMetadataDatabase, to obtain the SQLite database files.

```
metadata <- list(
    title="Fatherhood",
    description="Luke ich bin dein Vater.",
    sources=list(
        list(provider="GEO", id="GSE12345")
    ),
    taxonomy_id=list("9606"),
    genome=list("GRCm38"),
    maintainer_name="Darth Vader",
    maintainer_email="vader@empire.gov",
    bioconductor_version="3.10"
)
validateMetadata(metadata)</pre>
```

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