Package 'cookie'

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Title HTTP Cookies Parser Middleware

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Description A cookie is a piece of data sent from a web server to a web client which helps in overcoming the statelessness constraint of the HTTP protocol. This package provides the tools to work with them in the form of a cookie parser middleware function, meant to be attached to a bigger R web application, and utilities to write, sign and unsign a cookie. For more details see the Mozilla Developer Network (MDN) web documentation in <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Guides/Cookies>.

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`cookieParser` *Cookie Parser Middleware*

Description

Creates a middleware function that parses the `Cookie` HTTP header and populates `req$cookies`. When a `secret` is provided, signed cookies are verified and exposed on `req$signedCookies`.

Usage

```
cookieParser(secret = NULL, options = NULL)
```

Arguments

`secret`	A character vector or list of strings used to sign and verify cookies. Optional.
`options`	A function used to decode cookie values. Defaults to `utils::URLdecode()`.

Value

A middleware function that sets `req$cookies`, `req$signedCookies`, and `req$secret`, then calls `forward()`.

`serialise` *Serialise a Set-Cookie Header*

Description

Serialises a cookie name-value pair into a `Set-Cookie` header string.

Usage

```
serialise(name, val = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

name	A string with the cookie name, or a list with $name and $value elements (in which case val is ignored).
val	A string. The cookie value.
...	Additional cookie attributes:
	encode A function to encode the cookie value. Defaults to utils::URLencode().
	maxAge An integer. Number of seconds until the cookie expires.
	domain A string. The cookie domain.
	path A string. The cookie path.
	expires A Date, POSIXct, or POSIXt. The expiry date.
	httpOnly Logical. Adds the HttpOnly attribute.
	secure Logical. Adds the Secure attribute.
	partitioned Logical. Adds the Partitioned attribute.
	priority A string: "low", "medium", or "high".
	sameSite A string ("strict", "lax", "none") or logical (TRUE maps to "Strict").

Value

A Set-Cookie header string.

Examples

```
serialise("session", "abc123")
serialise("id", "42", httpOnly = TRUE, secure = TRUE, sameSite = "lax")
```

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sign *Sign a Cookie Value*

Description

Sign the given val with secret.

Usage

```
sign(val, secret)
```

Arguments

val	A string. The cookie value to sign.
secret	The secret key used to generate the signature.

Value

A string of the form "<val>.<signature>".

Examples

```
sign("hello", "tobiiscool")
```

`unsign` *Unsign a Cookie Value*

Description

Verifies the signature of a signed cookie value and returns the original value if valid, or `FALSE` if the signature does not match.

Usage

```
unsign(input, secret)
```

Arguments

`input`	A string. A signed cookie value produced by `sign()`.
`secret`	The secret key to verify against.

Value

The original unsigned value if verification succeeds, `FALSE` otherwise.

Examples

```
input <- sign("hello", "tobiiscool")
unsign(input, "tobiiscool")
unsign(input, "luna")
```

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