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Examples

```
# create a disk.frame
df_path = file.path(tempdir(), "tmp_add_chunk")
diskf = disk.frame(df_path)

# add a chunk to diskf
add_chunk(diskf, cars)
add_chunk(diskf, cars)

nchunks(diskf) # 2

df2 = disk.frame(file.path(tempdir(), "tmp_add_chunk2"))

# add chunks by specifying the chunk_id number; this is especially useful if
# you wish to add multiple chunk in parallel

add_chunk(df2, data.frame(chunk=1), 1)
add_chunk(df2, data.frame(chunk=2), 3)

nchunks(df2) # 2

dir(attr(df2, "path", exact=TRUE))
# [1] "1.fst" "3.fst"

# clean up
delete(diskf)
delete(df2)
```

anti_join.disk.frame *Performs join/merge for disk.frames*

Description

Performs join/merge for disk.frames

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
anti_join(
  x,
  y,
  by = NULL,
  copy = FALSE,
  ...,
  outdir = tempfile("tmp_disk_frame_anti_join"),
  merge_by_chunk_id = FALSE,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  .progress = FALSE
)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
full_join(
  x,
  y,
  by = NULL,
  copy = FALSE,
  ...,
  outdir = tempfile("tmp_disk_frame_full_join"),
  overwrite = TRUE,
  merge_by_chunk_id,
  .progress = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
inner_join(
  x,
  y,
  by = NULL,
  copy = FALSE,
  suffix = c(".x", ".y"),
  ...,
  keep = FALSE,
  outdir = tempfile("tmp_disk_frame_inner_join"),
  merge_by_chunk_id = NULL,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  .progress = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
left_join(
  x,
  y,
  by = NULL,
  copy = FALSE,
  suffix = c(".x", ".y"),
  ...,
  keep = FALSE,
  outdir = tempfile("tmp_disk_frame_left_join"),
  merge_by_chunk_id = FALSE,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  .progress = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
semi_join(
  x,
  y,
```

```

    by = NULL,
    copy = FALSE,
    ...,
    outdir = tempfile("tmp_disk_frame_semi_join"),
    merge_by_chunk_id = FALSE,
    overwrite = TRUE,
    .progress = FALSE
  )

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a <code>disk.frame</code>
<code>y</code>	a <code>data.frame</code> or <code>disk.frame</code> . If <code>data.frame</code> then returns lazily; if <code>disk.frame</code> it performs the join eagerly and return a <code>disk.frame</code>
<code>by</code>	join by
<code>copy</code>	same as <code>dplyr::anti_join</code>
<code>...</code>	same as <code>dplyr</code> 's joins
<code>outdir</code>	output directory for <code>disk.frame</code>
<code>merge_by_chunk_id</code>	the merge is performed by chunk id
<code>overwrite</code>	overwrite output directory
<code>.progress</code>	Show progress or not. Defaults to <code>FALSE</code>
<code>suffix</code>	see <code>dplyr::XXX_join</code>
<code>keep</code>	see <code>dplyr::XXX_join</code>

Value

`disk.frame` or `data.frame/data.table`

Examples

```

df.df = as.disk.frame(data.frame(x = 1:3, y = 4:6), overwrite = TRUE)
df2.df = as.disk.frame(data.frame(x = 1:2, z = 10:11), overwrite = TRUE)

anti_joined.df = anti_join(df.df, df2.df)

anti_joined.df %>% collect

anti_joined.data.frame = anti_join(df.df, data.frame(x = 1:2, z = 10:11))

# clean up
delete(df.df)
delete(df2.df)
delete(anti_joined.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

join.df = full_join(cars.df, cars.df, merge_by_chunk_id = TRUE)

```

```

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(join.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

join.df = inner_join(cars.df, cars.df, merge_by_chunk_id = TRUE)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(join.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

join.df = left_join(cars.df, cars.df)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(join.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

join.df = semi_join(cars.df, cars.df)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(join.df)

```

as.data.frame.disk.frame

Convert disk.frame to data.frame by collecting all chunks

Description

Convert disk.frame to data.frame by collecting all chunks

Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)

```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
row.names	NULL or a character vector giving the row names for the data frame. Missing values are not allowed.
optional	logical. If TRUE, setting row names and converting column names (to syntactic names: see make.names) is optional. Note that all of R's base package as.data.frame() methods use optional only for column names treatment, basically with the meaning of data.frame(*, check.names = !optional). See also the make.names argument of the matrix method.
...	additional arguments to be passed to or from methods.

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
as.data.frame(cars.df)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
```

```
as.data.table.disk.frame
```

Convert disk.frame to data.table by collecting all chunks

Description

Convert disk.frame to data.table by collecting all chunks

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
as.data.table(x, keep.rownames = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
keep.rownames	passed to as.data.table
...	passed to as.data.table

Examples

```
library(data.table)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
as.data.table(cars.df)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
```

```
as.disk.frame
```

Make a data.frame into a disk.frame

Description

Make a data.frame into a disk.frame

Usage

```
as.disk.frame(
  df,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  nchunks = recommend_nchunks(df),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  shardby = NULL,
  compress = 50,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
outdir	the output directory
nchunks	number of chunks
overwrite	if TRUE the outdir will be overwritten, if FALSE it will throw an error if the directory is not empty
shardby	The shardkey
compress	the compression level 0-100; 100 is highest
...	passed to output_disk.frame

Examples

```
# write to temporary location
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# specify a different path in the temporary folder, you are free to choose a different folder
cars_new_location.df = as.disk.frame(cars, outdir = file.path(tempdir(), "some_path.df"))

# specify a different number of chunks
# this writes to tempdir() by default
cars_chunks.df = as.disk.frame(cars, nchunks = 4, overwrite = TRUE)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars_new_location.df)
delete(cars_chunks.df)
```

bind_rows.disk.frame *Bind rows*

Description

Bind rows

Usage

```
bind_rows.disk.frame(...)
```

Arguments

```
...          disk.frame to be row bound
```

```
chunk_summarize    #' @export #' @importFrom dplyr add_count #'
                   @rdname dplyr_verbs add_count.disk.frame <- cre-
                   ate_chunk_mapper(dplyr::add_count) #' @export #' @importFrom
                   dplyr add_tally #' @rdname dplyr_verbs add_tally.disk.frame <-
                   create_chunk_mapper(dplyr::add_tally)
```

Description

The `disk.frame` group by operation perform group WITHIN each chunk. This is often used for performance reasons. If the user wishes to perform group-by, they may choose to use the `'hard_group_by'` function which is expensive as it reorganizes the chunks by the shard key.

Usage

```
chunk_summarize(.data, ...)
```

```
chunk_summarise(.data, ...)
```

```
chunk_group_by(.data, ...)
```

```
chunk_ungroup(.data, ...)
```

Arguments

```
.data          a disk.frame
```

```
...            passed to dplyr::group_by
```

See Also

```
hard_group_by group_by
```

cmap

Apply the same function to all chunks

Description

Apply the same function to all chunks

‘cimap.disk.frame’ accepts a two argument function where the first argument is a data.frame and the second is the chunk ID

‘lazy’ is convenience function to apply ‘f’ to every chunk

‘delayed’ is an alias for lazy and is consistent with the naming in Dask and Dagger.jl

Usage

```
cmap(.x, .f, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
cmap(.x, .f, ...)
```

```
cmap_dfr(.x, .f, ..., .id = NULL)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
cmap_dfr(.x, .f, ..., .id = NULL, use.names = fill, fill = FALSE, idcol = NULL)
```

```
cimap(.x, .f, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
cimap(
```

```
  .x,
```

```
  .f,
```

```
  outdir = NULL,
```

```
  keep = NULL,
```

```
  lazy = TRUE,
```

```
  overwrite = FALSE,
```

```
  compress = 50,
```

```
  ...
```

```
)
```

```
cimap_dfr(.x, .f, ..., .id = NULL)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
cimap_dfr(
```

```
  .x,
```

```
  .f,
```

```
  ...,
```

```
  .id = NULL,
```

```
  use.names = fill,
```

```

    fill = FALSE,
    idcol = NULL
  )

  lazy(.x, .f, ...)

  ## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
  lazy(.x, .f, ...)

  delayed(.x, .f, ...)

  clapply(...)

```

Arguments

<code>.x</code>	a <code>disk.frame</code>
<code>.f</code>	a function to apply to each of the chunks
<code>...</code>	Passed to <code>'collect'</code> and <code>'write_disk.frame'</code>
<code>.id</code>	ignored
<code>use.names</code>	for <code>cmap_dfr</code> 's call to <code>data.table::rbindlist</code> . See <code>data.table::rbindlist</code>
<code>fill</code>	for <code>cmap_dfr</code> 's call to <code>data.table::rbindlist</code> . See <code>data.table::rbindlist</code>
<code>idcol</code>	for <code>cmap_dfr</code> 's call to <code>data.table::rbindlist</code> . See <code>data.table::rbindlist</code>
<code>outdir</code>	the output directory
<code>keep</code>	The columns to keep at source
<code>lazy</code>	if <code>TRUE</code> then do this lazily
<code>overwrite</code>	Whether to overwrite any files in the output directory
<code>compress</code>	The compression setting. 0-100

Examples

```

cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# return the first row of each chunk lazily
#
cars2 = cmap(cars.df, function(chunk) {
  chunk[,1]
})

collect(cars2)

# same as above but using purrr
cars2 = cmap(cars.df, ~.x[1,])

collect(cars2)

# return the first row of each chunk eagerly as list
cmap(cars.df, ~.x[1,], lazy = FALSE)

```

```
# return the first row of each chunk eagerly as data.table/data.frame by row-binding
cmap_dfr(cars.df, ~.x[1,])

# lazy and delayed are just an aliases for cmap(..., lazy = TRUE)
collect(lazy(cars.df, ~.x[1,]))
collect(delayed(cars.df, ~.x[1,]))

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

cmap2

'cmap2' a function to two disk.frames

Description

Perform a function on both disk.frames `.x` and `.y`, each chunk of `.x` and `.y` gets run by `.f(x.chunk, y.chunk)`

Usage

```
cmap2(.x, .y, .f, ...)

map_by_chunk_id(.x, .y, .f, ..., outdir)
```

Arguments

<code>.x</code>	a disk.frame
<code>.y</code>	a disk.frame
<code>.f</code>	a function to be called on each chunk of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> matched by <code>chunk_id</code>
<code>...</code>	not used
<code>outdir</code>	output directory

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

cars2.df = cmap2(cars.df, cars.df, ~data.table::rbindlist(list(.x, .y)))
collect(cars2.df)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars2.df)
```

collect.disk.frame	<i>Bring the disk.frame into R</i>
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Description

Bring the disk.frame into RAM by loading the data and running all lazy operations as data.table/data.frame or as a list

Bring the disk.frame into RAM by loading the data and running all lazy operations as data.table/data.frame or as a list

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
collect(x, ..., parallel = !is.null(attr(x, "recordings")))

collect_list(
  x,
  simplify = FALSE,
  parallel = !is.null(attr(x, "recordings")),
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'summarized_disk.frame'
collect(x, ..., parallel = !is.null(attr(x, "recordings")))
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
...	not used
parallel	if TRUE the collection is performed in parallel. By default if there are delayed/lazy steps then it will be parallel, otherwise it will not be in parallel. This is because parallel requires transferring data from background R session to the current R session and if there is no computation then it's better to avoid transferring data between session, hence parallel = FALSE is a better choice
simplify	Should the result be simplified to array

Value

collect return a data.frame/data.table

collect_list returns a list

collect return a data.frame/data.table

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
# use collect to bring the data into RAM as a data.table/data.frame
collect(cars.df)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# returns the result as a list
collect_list(cmap(cars.df, ~1))

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
# use collect to bring the data into RAM as a data.table/data.frame
collect(cars.df)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
```

colnames

*Return the column names of the disk.frame***Description**

The returned column names are from the source. So if you have lazy operations then the colnames here does not reflect the results of those operations. Note: if you have expensive lazy function then this operation might take some time.

Usage

```
colnames(x, ...)
```

S3 method for class 'disk.frame'

```
names(x, ...)
```

S3 method for class 'disk.frame'

```
colnames(x, ...)
```

Default S3 method:

```
colnames(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
...	not used

<code>compute.disk.frame</code>	<i>Force computations. The results are stored in a folder.</i>
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Description

Perform the computation; same as calling `cmap` without `.f` and `lazy = FALSE`

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
compute(x, name = NULL, outdir = tempfile("tmp_df_", fileext = ".df"), ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a <code>disk.frame</code>
<code>name</code>	If not <code>NULL</code> then used as outdir prefix.
<code>outdir</code>	the output directory
<code>...</code>	Passed to <code>'write_disk.frame'</code>

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
cars.df2 = cars.df %>% cmap(~.x)
# the computation is performed and the data is now stored elsewhere
cars.df3 = compute(cars.df2)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars.df3)
```

<code>create_chunk_mapper</code>	<i>Create function that applies to each chunk if <code>disk.frame</code></i>
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Description

A function to make it easier to create functions like `filter`

Usage

```
create_chunk_mapper(chunk_fn, warning_msg = NULL, as.data.frame = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>chunk_fn</code>	The dplyr function to create a mapper for
<code>warning_msg</code>	The warning message to display when invoking the mapper
<code>as.data.frame</code>	force the input chunk of a <code>data.frame</code> ; needed for <code>dtplyr</code>

Examples

```

filter = create_chunk_mapper(dplyr::filter)

#' example: creating a function that keeps only the first and last n row
first_and_last <- function(chunk, n, ...) {
  nr = nrow(chunk)
  print(nr-n+1:nr)
  chunk[c(1:n, (nr-n+1):nr), ]
}

#' create the function for use with disk.frame
first_and_last_df = create_chunk_mapper(first_and_last)

mtcars.df = as.disk.frame(mtcars)

#' the operation is lazy
lazy_mtcars.df = mtcars.df %>%
  first_and_last_df(2)

#' bring into R
collect(lazy_mtcars.df)

#' clean up
delete(mtcars.df)

```

csv_to_disk.frame	<i>Convert CSV file(s) to disk.frame format</i>
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Description

Convert CSV file(s) to disk.frame format

Usage

```

csv_to_disk.frame(
  infile,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  inmapfn = base::I,
  nchunks = recommend_nchunks(sum(file.size(infile))),
  in_chunk_size = NULL,
  shardby = NULL,
  compress = 50,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  header = TRUE,
  .progress = TRUE,
  backend = c("data.table", "readr", "LaF"),
  chunk_reader = c("bigreadr", "data.table", "readr", "readLines"),
  ...
)

```

Arguments

<code>infile</code>	The input CSV file or files
<code>outdir</code>	The directory to output the disk.frame to
<code>inmapfn</code>	A function to be applied to the chunk read in from CSV before the chunk is being written out. Commonly used to perform simple transformations. Defaults to the identity function (ie. no transformation)
<code>nchunks</code>	Number of chunks to output
<code>in_chunk_size</code>	When reading in the file, how many lines to read in at once. This is different to <code>nchunks</code> which controls how many chunks are output
<code>shardby</code>	The column(s) to shard the data by. For example suppose <code>'shardby = c("col1", "col2")'</code> then every row where the values <code>'col1'</code> and <code>'col2'</code> are the same will end up in the same chunk; this will allow merging by <code>'col1'</code> and <code>'col2'</code> to be more efficient
<code>compress</code>	For fst backends it's a number between 0 and 100 where 100 is the highest compression ratio.
<code>overwrite</code>	Whether to overwrite the existing directory
<code>header</code>	Whether the files have header. Defaults to TRUE
<code>.progress</code>	A logical, for whether or not to show progress
<code>backend</code>	The CSV reader backend to choose: "data.table" or "readr". <code>disk.frame</code> does not have its own CSV reader. It uses either <code>data.table::fread</code> or <code>readr::read_delimited</code> . It is worth noting that <code>data.table::fread</code> does not detect dates and all dates are imported as strings, and you are encouraged to use <code>fasttime</code> to convert the strings to date. You can use the <code>'inmapfn'</code> to do that. However, if you want automatic date detection, then <code>backend="readr"</code> may suit your needs. However, <code>readr</code> is often slower than <code>data.table</code> , hence <code>data.table</code> is chosen as the default.
<code>chunk_reader</code>	Even if you choose a backend there can still be multiple strategies on how to approach the CSV reads. For example, <code>data.table::fread</code> tries to <code>mmap</code> the whole file which can cause the whole read process to fail. In that case we can change the <code>chunk_reader</code> to "readLines" which uses the <code>readLines</code> function to read chunk by chunk and still use <code>data.table::fread</code> to process the chunks. There are currently no strategies for <code>readr</code> backend, except the default one.
<code>...</code>	passed to <code>data.table::fread</code> , <code>disk.frame::as.disk.frame</code> , <code>disk.frame::shard</code>

See Also

Other ingesting data: [zip_to_disk.frame\(\)](#)

Examples

```
tmpfile = tempfile()
write.csv(cars, tmpfile)
tmppdf = tempfile(fileext = ".df")
df = csv_to_disk.frame(tmpfile, outdir = tmppdf, overwrite = TRUE)

# clean up
fs::file_delete(tmpfile)
delete(df)
```

delete	<i>Delete a disk.frame</i>
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Description

Delete a disk.frame

Usage

```
delete(df)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
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Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
delete(cars.df)
```

df_ram_size	<i>Get the size of RAM in gigabytes</i>
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Description

Get the size of RAM in gigabytes

Usage

```
df_ram_size()
```

Value

integer of RAM in gigabyte (GB)

Examples

```
# returns the RAM size in gigabyte (GB)
df_ram_size()
```

disk.frame	Create a disk.frame from a folder
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Description

Create a disk.frame from a folder

Usage

```
disk.frame(path, backend = "fst")
```

Arguments

path	The path to store the output file or to a directory
backend	The only available backend is fst at the moment

Examples

```
path = file.path(tempdir(), "cars")
as.disk.frame(cars, outdir=path, overwrite = TRUE, nchunks = 2)
df = disk.frame(path)
head(df)
nchunks(df)
# clean up
delete(df)
```

disk.frame_to_parquet	A function to convert a disk.frame to parquet format
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Description

A function to convert a disk.frame to parquet format

Usage

```
disk.frame_to_parquet(df, outdir)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame or a path to a disk.frame
outdir	the path to save the parquet files

evalparseglue	<i>Helper function to evalparse some ‘glue::glue’ string</i>
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Description

Helper function to evalparse some ‘glue::glue’ string

Usage

```
evalparseglue(code, env = parent.frame())
```

Arguments

code	the code in character(string) format to evaluate
env	the environment in which to evaluate the code

find_globals_recursively	<i>Find globals in an expression by searching through the chain</i>
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Description

Find globals in an expression by searching through the chain

Usage

```
find_globals_recursively(code, envir)
```

Arguments

code	An expression to search for globals
envir	The environment from which to begin the search

 foverlaps.disk.frame *Apply data.table's foverlaps to the disk.frame*

Description

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Usage

```
foverlaps.disk.frame(
  df1,
  df2,
  by.x = if (identical(shardkey(df1)$shardkey, "")) shardkey(df1)$shardkey else
    shardkey(df2)$shardkey,
  by.y = shardkey(df2)$shardkey,
  ...,
  outdir = tempfile("df_foverlaps_tmp", fileext = ".df"),
  merge_by_chunk_id = FALSE,
  compress = 50,
  overwrite = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

df1	A disk.frame
df2	A disk.frame or a data.frame
by.x	character/string vector. by.x used in foverlaps
by.y	character/string vector. by.x used in foverlaps
...	passed to data.table::foverlaps and disk.frame::cmap.disk.frame
outdir	The output directory of the disk.frame
merge_by_chunk_id	If TRUE then the merges will happen for chunks in df1 and df2 with the same chunk id which speed up processing. Otherwise every chunk of df1 is merged with every chunk of df2. Ignored with df2 is not a disk.frame
compress	The compression ratio for fst
overwrite	overwrite existing directory

Examples

```
library(data.table)

## simple example:
x = as.disk.frame(data.table(start=c(5,31,22,16), end=c(8,50,25,18), val2 = 7:10))
y = as.disk.frame(data.table(start=c(10, 20, 30), end=c(15, 35, 45), val1 = 1:3))
byxy = c("start", "end")
```

```

xy.df = foverlaps.disk.frame(
  x, y, by.x = byxy, by.y = byxy,
  merge_by_chunk_id = TRUE, overwrite = TRUE)
# clean up
delete(x)
delete(y)
delete(xy.df)

```

gen_datatable_synthetic

Generate synthetic dataset for testing

Description

Generate synthetic dataset for testing

Usage

```
gen_datatable_synthetic(N = 2e+08, K = 100)
```

Arguments

N	number of rows. Defaults to 200 million
K	controls the number of unique values for id. Some ids will have K distinct values while others have N/K distinct values

get_chunk

Obtain one chunk by chunk id

Description

Obtain one chunk by chunk id

Usage

```

get_chunk(...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
get_chunk(df, n, keep = NULL, full.names = FALSE, ..., partitioned_info = NULL)

```

Arguments

...	passed to fst::read_fst or whichever read function is used in the backend
df	a disk.frame
n	the chunk id. If numeric then matches by number, if character then returns the chunk with the same name as n
keep	the columns to keep
full.names	whether n is the full path to the chunks or just a relative path file name. Ignored if n is numeric
partitioned_info	for internal use only. It's a data.frame used to help with filtering by partitions

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars, nchunks = 2)
get_chunk(cars.df, 1)
get_chunk(cars.df, 2)
get_chunk(cars.df, 1, keep = "speed")

# if full.names = TRUE then the full path to the chunk need to be provided
get_chunk(cars.df, file.path(attr(cars.df, "path"), "1.fst"), full.names = TRUE)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

get_chunk_ids	<i>Get the chunk IDs and files names</i>
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Description

Get the chunk IDs and files names

Usage

```
get_chunk_ids(df, ..., full.names = FALSE, strip_extension = TRUE)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
...	passed to list.files
full.names	If TRUE returns the full path to the file, Defaults to FALSE
strip_extension	If TRUE then the file extension in the chunk_id is removed. Defaults to TRUE

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# return the integer-string chunk IDs
get_chunk_ids(cars.df)

# return the file name chunk IDs
get_chunk_ids(cars.df, full.names = TRUE)

# return the file name chunk IDs with file extension
get_chunk_ids(cars.df, strip_extension = FALSE)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

get_partition_paths	<i>Get the partitioning structure of a folder</i>
---------------------	---

Description

Get the partitioning structure of a folder

Usage

```
get_partition_paths(df)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame whose paths will be used to determine if it's folder-partitioned disk.frame
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groups.disk.frame	<i>The shard keys of the disk.frame</i>
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Description

The shard keys of the disk.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
groups(x)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
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Value

character

head.disk.frame	<i>Head and tail of the disk.frame</i>
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Description

Head and tail of the disk.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
head(x, n = 6L, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
tail(x, n = 6L, ...)
```

Arguments

- x a disk.frame
- n number of rows to include
- ... passed to base::head or base::tail

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
head(cars.df)
tail(cars.df)

# clean up
delete(cars.df)
```

is_disk.frame	<i>Checks if a folder is a disk.frame</i>
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Description

Checks if a folder is a disk.frame

Usage

```
is_disk.frame(df)
```

Arguments

df a disk.frame or directory to check

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

is_disk.frame(cars) # FALSE
is_disk.frame(cars.df) # TRUE

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

merge.disk.frame	<i>Merge function for disk.frames</i>
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Description

Merge function for disk.frames

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
merge(
  x,
  y,
  by,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  ...,
  merge_by_chunk_id = FALSE,
  overwrite = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
y	a disk.frame or data.frame
by	the merge by keys
outdir	The output directory for the disk.frame
...	passed to merge and cmap.disk.frame
merge_by_chunk_id	if TRUE then only chunks in df1 and df2 with the same chunk id will get merged
overwrite	overwrite the outdir or not

Examples

```

b = as.disk.frame(data.frame(a = 51:150, b = 1:100))
d = as.disk.frame(data.frame(a = 151:250, b = 1:100))
bd.df = merge(b, d, by = "b", merge_by_chunk_id = TRUE)

# clean up cars.df
delete(b)
delete(d)
delete(bd.df)

```

move_to

Move or copy a disk.frame to another location

Description

Move or copy a disk.frame to another location

Usage

```

move_to(df, outdir, ..., copy = FALSE)

copy_df_to(df, outdir, ...)

```

Arguments

df	The disk.frame
outdir	The new location
...	NOT USED
copy	Merely copy and not move

Value

a disk.frame

Examples

```

cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

cars_copy.df = copy_df_to(cars.df, outdir = tempfile(fileext=".df"))

cars2.df = move_to(cars.df, outdir = tempfile(fileext=".df"))

# clean up
delete(cars_copy.df)
delete(cars2.df)

```

nchunks	Returns the number of chunks in a disk.frame
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Description

Returns the number of chunks in a disk.frame

Usage

```
nchunks(df, ...)  
  
nchunk(df, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'  
nchunk(df, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'  
nchunks(df, skip.ready.check = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
...	not used
skip.ready.check	NOT implemented

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)  
  
# return the number of chunks  
nchunks(cars.df)  
nchunk(cars.df)  
  
# clean up cars.df  
delete(cars.df)
```

nrow	Number of rows or columns
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Description

Number of rows or columns

Usage

```
nrow(df, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
nrow(df, ...)
```

```
ncol(df)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
ncol(df)
```

Arguments

```
df          a disk.frame
```

```
...         passed to base::nrow
```

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
```

```
# return total number of column and rows
```

```
ncol(cars.df)
```

```
nrow(cars.df)
```

```
# clean up cars.df
```

```
delete(cars.df)
```

overwrite_check	<i>Check if the outdir exists or not</i>
-----------------	--

Description

If the overwrite is TRUE then the folder will be deleted, otherwise the folder will be created.

Usage

```
overwrite_check(outdir, overwrite)
```

Arguments

```
outdir      the output directory
```

```
overwrite   TRUE or FALSE if 'outdir' exists and overwrite = FALSE then throw an error
```

Examples

```
tf = tempfile()
overwrite_check(tf, overwrite = FALSE)
overwrite_check(tf, overwrite = TRUE)

# clean up
fs::dir_delete(tf)
```

partition_filter	<i>Filter the dataset based on folder partitions</i>
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Description

Filter the dataset based on folder partitions

Usage

```
partition_filter(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
...	filtering conditions for filtering the disk.frame at (folder) partition level

play	<i>Play the recorded lazy operations</i>
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Description

Play the recorded lazy operations

Usage

```
play(dataframe, recordings)
```

Arguments

dataframe	A data.frame
recordings	A recording the expression, globals and packages using create_chunk_mapper

print.disk.frame	<i>Print disk.frame</i>
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Description

a new print method for disk.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	disk.frame
...	not used

pull.disk.frame	<i>Pull a column from table similar to 'dplyr::pull'.</i>
-----------------	---

Description

Pull a column from table similar to 'dplyr::pull'.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
pull(.data, var = -1, name = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

.data	The disk.frame
var	can be an positive or negative integer or a character/string. See dplyr::pull documentation
name	See dplyr::pull documentation
...	Not used, kept for compatibility with 'dplyr::pull'

purrr_as_mapper	<i>Used to convert a function to purrr syntax if needed</i>
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Description

Used to convert a function to purrr syntax if needed

Usage

```
purrr_as_mapper(.f)
```

Arguments

.f	a normal function or purrr syntax function i.e. ‘~ ...code...’
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rbindlist.disk.frame	<i>rbindlist disk.frames together</i>
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Description

rbindlist disk.frames together

Usage

```
rbindlist.disk.frame(
  df_list,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  by_chunk_id = TRUE,
  parallel = TRUE,
  compress = 50,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  .progress = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

df_list	A list of disk.frames
outdir	Output directory of the row-bound disk.frames
by_chunk_id	If TRUE then only the chunks with the same chunk IDs will be bound
parallel	if TRUE then bind multiple disk.frame simultaneously, Defaults to TRUE
compress	0-100, 100 being the highest compression rate.
overwrite	overwrite the output directory
.progress	A logical, for whether or not to show progress.

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# row-bind two disk.frames
cars2.df = rbindlist.disk.frame(list(cars.df, cars.df))

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars2.df)
```

rechunk

*Increase or decrease the number of chunks in the disk.frame***Description**

Increase or decrease the number of chunks in the disk.frame

Usage

```
rechunk(
  df,
  nchunks = disk.frame::nchunks(df),
  outdir = attr(df, "path", exact = TRUE),
  shardby = NULL,
  overwrite = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

df	the disk.frame to rechunk
nchunks	number of chunks
outdir	the output directory
shardby	the shardkeys
overwrite	overwrite the output directory

Examples

```
# create a disk.frame with 2 chunks in tempdir()
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars, nchunks = 2)

# re-chunking cars.df to 3 chunks, done "in-place" to the same folder as cars.df
rechunk(cars.df, 3)

new_path = tempfile(fileext = ".df")
# re-chunking cars.df to 4 chunks, shard by speed, and done "out-of-place" to a new directory
cars2.df = rechunk(cars.df, 4, outdir=new_path, shardby = "speed")
```

```
# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars2.df)
```

recommend_nchunks	<i>Recommend number of chunks based on input size</i>
-------------------	---

Description

Computes the recommended number of chunks to break a data.frame into. It can accept filesizes in bytes (as integer) or a data.frame

Usage

```
recommend_nchunks(
  df,
  type = "csv",
  minchunks = data.table::getDTthreads(),
  conservatism = 8,
  ram_size = df_ram_size()
)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame or the file size in bytes of a CSV file holding the data
type	only = "csv" is supported. It indicates the file type corresponding to file size 'df'
minchunks	the minimum number of chunks. Defaults to the number of CPU cores (without hyper-threading)
conservatism	a multiplier to the recommended number of chunks. The more chunks the smaller the chunk size and more likely that each chunk can fit into RAM
ram_size	The amount of RAM available which is usually computed. Except on RStudio with R3.6+

Examples

```
# recommend nchunks based on data.frame
recommend_nchunks(cars)

# recommend nchunks based on file size ONLY CSV is implemented at the moment
recommend_nchunks(1024^3)
```

remove_chunk	<i>Removes a chunk from the disk.frame</i>
--------------	--

Description

Removes a chunk from the disk.frame

Usage

```
remove_chunk(df, chunk_id, full.names = FALSE)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
chunk_id	the chunk ID of the chunk to remove. If it's a number then return number.fst
full.names	TRUE or FALSE. Defaults to FALSE. If true then chunk_id is the full path to the chunk otherwise it's the relative path

Examples

```
# TODO add these to tests
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars, nchunks = 4)

# removes 3rd chunk
remove_chunk(cars.df, 3)
nchunks(cars.df) # 3

# removes 4th chunk
remove_chunk(cars.df, "4.fst")
nchunks(cars.df) # 3

# removes 2nd chunk
remove_chunk(cars.df, file.path(attr(cars.df, "path", exact=TRUE), "2.fst"), full.names = TRUE)
nchunks(cars.df) # 1

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

sample_frac.disk.frame	<i>Sample n rows from a disk.frame</i>
------------------------	--

Description

Sample n rows from a disk.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
sample_frac(tbl, size = 1, replace = FALSE, weight = NULL, .env = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

tbl	A data.frame.
size	<tidy-select> For sample_n(), the number of rows to select. For sample_frac(), the fraction of rows to select. If tbl is grouped, size applies to each group.
replace	Sample with or without replacement?
weight	<tidy-select> Sampling weights. This must evaluate to a vector of non-negative numbers the same length as the input. Weights are automatically standardised to sum to 1.
.env	DEPRECATED.
...	ignored

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

collect(sample_frac(cars.df, 0.5))

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

select.disk.frame	<i>The dplyr verbs implemented for disk.frame</i>
-------------------	---

Description

Please see the dplyr document for their usage. Please note ‘chunk_arrange’ performs the actions within each chunk

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
select(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
rename(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
filter(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
mutate(.data, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
transmute(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
arrange(.data, ...)

chunk_arrange(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
distinct(...)

chunk_distinct(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
glimpse(x, width = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

.data	a disk.frame
...	Same as the dplyr functions
x	'dplyr::glimpse' parameter
width	'dplyr::glimpse' parameter

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)
mult = 2

# use all any of the supported dplyr
cars2 = cars.df %>%
  select(speed) %>%
  mutate(speed2 = speed * mult) %>%
  filter(speed < 50) %>%
  rename(speed1 = speed) %>%
  collect

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

setup_disk.frame	<i>Set up disk.frame environment</i>
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Description

Set up disk.frame environment

Usage

```
setup_disk.frame(
  workers = data.table::getDTthreads(),
  future_backend = future::multisession,
  ...,
  gui = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>workers</code>	the number of workers (background R processes in the
<code>future_backend</code>	which future backend to use for parallelization
<code>...</code>	passed to ‘future::plan’
<code>gui</code>	Whether to use a Graphical User Interface (GUI) for selecting the options. Defaults to FALSE

Examples

```
if (interactive()) {
  # setup disk.frame to use multiple workers these may use more than two
  # cores, and is therefore not allowed on CRAN. Hence it's set to run only in
  # interactive session
  setup_disk.frame()

  # use a Shiny GUI to adjust settings
  # only run in interactive()
  setup_disk.frame(gui = TRUE)
}

# set the number workers to 2
setup_disk.frame(2)

# if you do not wish to use multiple workers you can set it to sequential
setup_disk.frame(future_backend=future::sequential)
```

shard	<i>Shard a data.frame/data.table or disk.frame into chunk and saves it into a disk.frame</i>
-------	--

Description

Shard a data.frame/data.table or disk.frame into chunk and saves it into a disk.frame
‘distribute’ is an alias for ‘shard’

Usage

```
shard(
  df,
  shardby,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  ...,
  nchunks = recommend_nchunks(df),
  overwrite = FALSE
)

distribute(...)
```

Arguments

df	A data.frame/data.table or disk.frame. If disk.frame, then <code>rechunk(df, ...)</code> is run
shardby	The column(s) to shard the data by.
outdir	The output directory of the disk.frame
...	not used
nchunks	The number of chunks
overwrite	If TRUE then the chunks are overwritten

Examples

```
# shard the cars data.frame by speed so that rows with the same speed are in the same chunk
iris.df = shard(iris, "Species")

# clean up cars.df
delete(iris.df)
```

shardkey	<i>Returns the shardkey (not implemented yet)</i>
----------	---

Description

Returns the shardkey (not implemented yet)

Usage

```
shardkey(df)
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
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shardkey_equal	<i>Compare two disk.frame shardkeys</i>
----------------	---

Description

Compare two disk.frame shardkeys

Usage

shardkey_equal(sk1, sk2)

Arguments

sk1	shardkey1
sk2	shardkey2

show_ceremony	<i>Show the code to setup disk.frame</i>
---------------	--

Description

Show the code to setup disk.frame

Usage

show_ceremony()

ceremony_text()

show_boilerplate()

insert_ceremony()

split_string_into_df	<i>Turn a string of the form /partion1=val/partion2=val2 into data.frame</i>
----------------------	--

Description

Turn a string of the form /partion1=val/partion2=val2 into data.frame

Usage

split_string_into_df(path_strs)

Arguments

path_strs	The paths in string form to break into partition format
-----------	---

srckeeper	<i>Keep only the variables from the input listed in selections</i>
-----------	--

Description

Keep only the variables from the input listed in selections

Usage

```
srckeeper(diskf, selections, ...)
```

Arguments

diskf	a disk.frame
selections	The list of variables to keep from the input source
...	not yet used

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# when loading cars's chunks into RAM, load only the column speed
collect(srckeeper(cars.df, "speed"))

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
```

summarise.grouped_disk.frame	<i>A function to parse the summarize function</i>
------------------------------	---

Description

The disk.frame group by operation perform group WITHIN each chunk. This is often used for performance reasons. If the user wishes to perform group-by, they may choose to use the 'hard_group_by' function which is expensive as it reorganizes the chunks by the shard key.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'grouped_disk.frame'
summarise(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'grouped_disk.frame'
summarize(.data, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
group_by(
  .data,
  ...,
  .add = FALSE,
  .drop = stop("disk.frame does not support `drop` in `group_by` at this stage")
)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
summarize(.data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
summarise(.data, ...)
```

Arguments

.data	a disk.frame
...	same as the dplyr::group_by
.add	from dplyr
.drop	from dplyr

See Also

hard_group_by

tbl_vars.disk.frame	<i>Column names for RStudio auto-complete</i>
---------------------	---

Description

Returns the names of the columns. Needed for RStudio to complete variable names

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
tbl_vars(x)

## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
group_vars(x)
```

Arguments

x	a disk.frame
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`var_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame`*One Stage function*

Description

One Stage function

mean chunk_agg

mean collected_agg

Usage`var_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, na.rm = FALSE)``var_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx)``sd_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, na.rm = FALSE)``sd_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx)``mean_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, na.rm = FALSE, ...)``mean_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx)``sum_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)``sum_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)``min_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)``min_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)``max_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)``max_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)``median_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)``median_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)``n_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(...)``n_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)``length_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)`

```

length_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)
any_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)
any_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)
all_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)
all_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)
n_distinct_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, na.rm = FALSE, ...)
n_distinct_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)
quantile_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, ...)
quantile_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)
IQR_df.chunk_agg.disk.frame(x, na.rm = FALSE, ...)
IQR_df.collected_agg.disk.frame(listx, ...)

```

Arguments

x	the input
na.rm	Remove NAs. TRUE or FALSE
listx	a list
...	additional options

write_disk.frame	<i>Write disk.frame to disk</i>
------------------	---------------------------------

Description

Write a data.frame/disk.frame to a disk.frame location. If df is a data.frame then using the as.disk.frame function is recommended for most cases

Usage

```

write_disk.frame(
  diskf,
  outdir = tempfile(fileext = ".df"),
  nchunks = ifelse("disk.frame" %in% class(diskf), nchunks.disk.frame(diskf),
    recommend_nchunks(diskf)),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  shardby = NULL,

```

```

    partitionby = NULL,
    compress = 50,
    ...
)

output_disk.frame(...)
```

Arguments

diskf	a disk.frame
outdir	output directory for the disk.frame
nchunks	number of chunks
overwrite	overwrite output directory
shardby	the columns to shard by
partitionby	the columns to (folder) partition by
compress	compression ratio for fst files
...	passed to cmap.disk.frame

Examples

```

cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)

# write out a lazy disk.frame to disk
cars2.df = write_disk.frame(cmap(cars.df, ~.x[1,]), overwrite = TRUE)
collect(cars2.df)

# clean up cars.df
delete(cars.df)
delete(cars2.df)
```

zip_to_disk.frame	<i>'zip_to_disk.frame' is used to read and convert every CSV file within the zip file to disk.frame format</i>
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Description

'zip_to_disk.frame' is used to read and convert every CSV file within the zip file to disk.frame format

Usage

```

zip_to_disk.frame(
  zipfile,
  outdir,
  ...,
  validation.check = FALSE,
  overwrite = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

zipfile	The zipfile
outdir	The output directory for disk.frame
...	passed to fread
validation.check	should the function perform a check at the end to check for validity of output. It can detect issues with conversion
overwrite	overwrite output directory

Value

a list of disk.frame

See Also

Other ingesting data: [csv_to_disk.frame\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# create a zip file containing a csv
csvfile = tempfile(fileext = ".csv")
write.csv(cars, csvfile)
zipfile = tempfile(fileext = ".zip")
zip(zipfile, csvfile)

# read every file and convert it to a disk.frame
zip.df = zip_to_disk.frame(zipfile, tempfile(fileext = ".df"))

# there is only one csv file so it return a list of one disk.frame
zip.df[[1]]

# clean up
unlink(csvfile)
unlink(zipfile)
delete(zip.df[[1]])
```

[[.disk.frame

[[interface for disk.frame using fst backend

Description

[[interface for disk.frame using fst backend

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disk.frame'
```

```
df[[  
  ...,  
  keep = NULL,  
  rbind = TRUE,  
  use.names = TRUE,  
  fill = FALSE,  
  idcol = NULL  
]]
```

Arguments

df	a disk.frame
...	same as data.table
keep	the columns to srckeeper
rbind	Whether to rbind the chunks. Defaults to TRUE
use.names	Same as in data.table::rbindlist
fill	Same as in data.table::rbindlist
idcol	Same as in data.table::rbindlist

Examples

```
cars.df = as.disk.frame(cars)  
speed_limit = 50  
cars.df[[speed < speed_limit ,.N, cut(dist, pretty(dist))]]  
  
# clean up  
delete(cars.df)
```


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