# Package 'CohortAlgebra'

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appendCohortTables

Append cohort data from multiple cohort tables(s)

# **Description**

Append cohort data from multiple cohort tables.

[Stable]

# Usage

```
appendCohortTables(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceTables,
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortTable,
  isTempTable = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

sourceTables

A data.frame object with the columns sourceCohortDatabaseSchema, sourceCohortTableName.

target Cohort Database Schema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

isTempTable

Is the output a temp table. If yes, a new temp table is created. This will required an active connection. Any old temp table is dropped and replaced.

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#### tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

copyCohorts

Copy cohorts from one table to another

# **Description**

Copy cohorts from one table to another table. If the new cohort table has any cohort id that matches the cohort id being copied, an error will be displayed.

[Stable]

# Usage

```
copyCohorts(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  oldToNewCohortId,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = sourceCohortDatabaseSchema,
  sourceCohortTable,
  targetCohortTable,
  isTempTable = FALSE,
  purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

# **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

oldToNewCohortId

A data.frame object with two columns. oldCohortId and newCohortId. Both should be integers. The oldCohortId are the cohorts that are the input cohorts that need to be transformed. The newCohortId are the cohortIds of the corresponding output after transformation. If the oldCohortId = newCohortId then the data corresponding to oldCohortId will be replaced by the data from the newCohortId.

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sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

The database schema of the source cohort table.

targetCohortDatabaseSchema

The database schema of the source cohort table.

sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

isTempTable

Is the output a temp table. If yes, a new temp table is created. This will required an active connection. Any old temp table is dropped and replaced.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

deleteCohort

Delete cohort

# **Description**

Delete all records for a given set of cohorts from the cohort table. Edit privileges to the cohort table is required.

[Stable]

# Usage

```
deleteCohort(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  cohortDatabaseSchema,
  cohortTable = "cohort",
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema"),
  cohortIds
)
```

# Arguments

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

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connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

cohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

cohortTable

The name of the cohort table.

tempEmulationSchema

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cohortIds

A vector of one or more Cohort Ids.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

eraFyCohorts

Era-fy cohort(s)

#### **Description**

Given a table with cohort\_definition\_id, subject\_id, cohort\_start\_date, cohort\_end\_date execute era logic. This will delete and replace the original rows with the cohort\_definition\_id(s). edit privileges to the cohort table is required.

[Stable]

# Usage

```
eraFyCohorts(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  sourceCohortTable = "cohort",
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortTable,
  oldCohortIds,
  newCohortId,
  eraconstructorpad = 0,
  cdmDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  isTempTable = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
```

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#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your source cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

targetCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

oldCohortIds An array of 1 or more integer id representing the cohort id of the cohort on which

the function will be applied.

newCohortId The cohort id of the output cohort.

eraconstructorpad

Optional value to pad cohort era construction logic. Default = 0. i.e. no padding.

cdmDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your patient-level data in OMOP CDM format resides. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'cdm\_data.dbo'.

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purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

isTempTable

Is the output a temp table. If yes, a new temp table is created. This will required an active connection. Any old temp table is dropped and replaced.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

```
getCohortIdsInCohortTable
```

Get cohort ids in table

# **Description**

Get cohort ids in table

[Stable]

# Usage

```
getCohortIdsInCohortTable(
  connection = NULL,
  cohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  cohortTable,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

# Arguments

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

cohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

 ${\tt cohortTable}$ 

The name of the cohort table.

 $temp {\it Emulation Schema}$ 

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# Value

An array of integers called cohort id.

intersectCohorts

Intersect cohort(s)

# Description

Find the common cohort period for persons present in all the cohorts. Note: if subject is not found in any of the cohorts, then they will not be in the final cohort.

[Stable]

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#### **Usage**

```
intersectCohorts(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  sourceCohortTable,
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortTable,
  cohortIds,
  newCohortId,
  purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
```

#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your source cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

targetCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

cohortIds A vector of one or more Cohort Ids.

newCohortId The cohort id of the output cohort.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already

has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

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minusCohorts Minus cohort(s)

#### **Description**

Given two cohorts, substract (minus) the dates from the first cohort, the dates the subject also had on the second cohort.

# [Stable]

# Usage

```
minusCohorts(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  sourceCohortTable = "cohort",
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = sourceCohortDatabaseSchema,
  targetCohortTable = sourceCohortTable,
  firstCohortId,
  secondCohortId,
  newCohortId,
  purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

# **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your source cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

targetCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

firstCohortId The cohort id of the cohort from which to subtract.

secondCohortId The cohort id of the cohort that is used to subtract.

newCohortId The cohort id of the output cohort.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

reindexCohortsByDays Reindex cohort(s) by relative days

#### **Description**

reindexCohort changes the cohort\_start\_date and/or cohort\_end\_date of one or more source cohorts based on a set of reindexing rules. The output is a one or more valid target cohorts.

#### [Experimental]

#### Usage

```
reindexCohortsByDays(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  sourceCohortTable = "cohort",
  sourceCohortIds,
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortTable,
  offsetStartAnchor = "cohort_start_date",
 offsetEndAnchor = "cohort_end_date",
  reindexRules,
  cdmDatabaseSchema = NULL,
 purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  isTempTable = FALSE,
 bulkLoad = Sys.getenv("DATABASE_CONNECTOR_BULK_UPLOAD"),
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

#### sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your source cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

#### sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

#### sourceCohortIds

An array of one or more cohortIds in the source cohort table.

#### targetCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

#### targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

#### offsetStartAnchor

Determines the anchor point for the start of the reindexing. It can be either cohort start date or cohort end date of sourceCohort.

#### offsetEndAnchor

Determines the anchor point for the end of the reindexing. It can be either cohort\_start\_date or cohort\_end\_date of targetCohort.

#### reindexRules

A data frame specifying the reindexing rules. It should contain the following columns: 'offsetId' a unique key for identifying the newly generated cohorts. Each offsetId corresponds to a specific reindex rule and will be used to create new cohort id in targetCohort. 'offsetStartValue' is an integer value indicating the number of days to 'offsetStartAnchor'. A positive values will extend, while negative values will shorten the start date from the 'offsetStartAnchor'. offsetEndValue' An integer value indicating the number of days to offset the end date. Positive values will extend, while negative values will shorten the end date from the 'offsetEndAnchor'.

# cdmDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your patient-level data in OMOP CDM format resides. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'cdm\_data.dbo'.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

#### isTempTable

Is the output a temp table. If yes, a new temp table is created. This will required an active connection. Any old temp table is dropped and replaced.

#### bulkLoad

See 'insertTable' function in 'DatabaseConnector'.

# tempEmulationSchema

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# Value

If output is temp table, then the name of the temp table is returned.

removeOverlappingSubjects

Remove subjects in cohort that overlap with another cohort

#### **Description**

Remove subjects in cohort that overlap with another cohort. Given a Cohort A, check if the records of subjects in cohort A overlaps with records for the same subject in cohort B. If there is overlap then remove all records of that subject from Cohort A. Overlap is defined as b.cohort\_end\_date >= a.cohort\_start\_date AND b.cohort\_start\_date <= a.cohort\_end\_date. The overlap logic maybe offset by using a startDayOffSet (applied on cohort A's cohort\_start\_date) and endDayOffSet (applied on Cohort A's cohort\_end\_date). If while applying offset, the window becomes such that (a.cohort\_start\_date + startDayOffSet) > (a.cohort\_end\_date + endDayOffset) that record is ignored and thus deleted.

#### [Experimental]

#### Usage

```
removeOverlappingSubjects(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  cohortDatabaseSchema,
  cohortId,
  newCohortId,
  cohortsWithSubjectsToRemove,
  offsetCohortStartDate = -99999,
  offsetCohortEndDate = 99999,
  restrictSecondCohortStartBeforeFirstCohortStart = FALSE,
  restrictSecondCohortStartAfterFirstCohortStart = FALSE,
  cohortTable = "cohort",
  purgeConflicts = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema")
)
```

#### **Arguments**

connection Details

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection

is provided.

connection An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the

DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function,

and closed when the function finishes.

cohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

cohortId The cohort id of the cohort whose subjects will be removed.

newCohortId The cohort id of the output cohort.

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 ${\tt cohortsWithSubjectsToRemove}$ 

An array of one or more cohorts with subjects to remove from given cohorts.

offsetCohortStartDate

(Default = 0) If you want to offset cohort start date, please provide a integer number.

offsetCohortEndDate

(Default = 0) If you want to offset cohort start date, please provide a integer number.

restrictSecondCohortStartBeforeFirstCohortStart

(Default = FALSE) If TRUE, then the secondCohort's cohort\_start\_date should be < firstCohort's cohort\_start\_date.

restrictSecondCohortStartAfterFirstCohortStart

(Default = FALSE) If TRUE, then the secondCohort's cohort\_start\_date should be > firstCohort's cohort\_start\_date.

cohortTable The name of the cohort table.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

#### Value

Nothing is returned

unionCohorts

Union cohort(s)

# **Description**

Given a specified array of cohortIds in a cohort table, perform cohort union operator to create new cohorts.

[Stable]

#### Usage

```
unionCohorts(
  connectionDetails = NULL,
  connection = NULL,
  sourceCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  sourceCohortTable,
  targetCohortDatabaseSchema = NULL,
  targetCohortTable,
  oldToNewCohortId,
  isTempTable = FALSE,
  tempEmulationSchema = getOption("sqlRenderTempEmulationSchema"),
  purgeConflicts = FALSE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An object of type connectionDetails as created using the createConnectionDetails function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connection is provided.

connection

An object of type connection as created using the connect function in the DatabaseConnector package. Can be left NULL if connectionDetails is provided, in which case a new connection will be opened at the start of the function, and closed when the function finishes.

sourceCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your source cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

sourceCohortTable

The name of the source cohort table.

targetCohortDatabaseSchema

Schema name where your target cohort tables reside. Note that for SQL Server, this should include both the database and schema name, for example 'scratch.dbo'.

targetCohortTable

The name of the target cohort table.

oldToNewCohortId

A data.frame object with two columns. oldCohortId and newCohortId. Both should be integers. The oldCohortId are the cohorts that are the input cohorts that need to be transformed. The newCohortId are the cohortIds of the corresponding output after transformation. If the oldCohortId = newCohortId then the data corresponding to oldCohortId will be replaced by the data from the newCohortId.

isTempTable

Is the output a temp table. If yes, a new temp table is created. This will required an active connection. Any old temp table is dropped and replaced.

tempEmulationSchema

Some database platforms like Oracle and Impala do not truly support temp tables. To emulate temp tables, provide a schema with write privileges where temp tables can be created.

purgeConflicts If there are conflicts in the target cohort table i.e. the target cohort table already has records with newCohortId, do you want to purge and replace them with transformed. By default - it will not be replaced, and an error message is thrown.

# Value

Nothing is returned

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