

# Package ‘alfr’

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**Description** Allows you to connect to an 'Alfresco' content management repository and interact with its contents using simple and intuitive functions. You will be able to establish a connection session to the 'Alfresco' repository, read and upload content and manage folder hierarchies. For more details on the 'Alfresco' content management repository see <<https://www.alfresco.com/ecm-software/document-management>>.

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alfr

*alfr: A package for connecting with Alfresco*

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### Description

The `alfr` package provides a way to connect to Alfresco and interact with the contents of the repository.

#### Session

- `alf_session` - connection session to an Alfresco repository
- `alf_session.is_valid` - determine whether the session connection to an Alfresco repository is still valid
- `alf_session.invalidate` - invalidates a session so it can no longer use used to connect to an Alfresco repository

#### Nodes

- `alf_node` - get the details of a folder or content node
- `alf_node.new` - creates a new folder or content node
- `alf_node.delete` - deletes a folder or content node

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`alf_node`*Get Alfresco node*

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**Description**

Gets the details of an Alfresco repository node matching `node_id` or, if provided, the node at `relative_path` relative to `node_id`.

**Usage**

```
alf_node(session, node_id = "-root-", relative_path = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>session</code>	valid Alfresco repository session
<code>node_id</code>	node id, defaults to <code>-root-</code>
<code>relative_path</code>	relative path from <code>node_id</code> to required node, defaults to <code>NULL</code>

**Value**

Node details

**Examples**

```
# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <- tryCatch(
  alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
  error = function(e) NULL)

if (!is.null(my_session)) {

  # create document
  my_new_document <- alf_node.new(my_session, node_id="-root-",
    list(
      name = "example.txt",
      nodeType = "cm:content",
      relativePath = "example"
    ))

  # upload content
  my_new_document$content$update(
    system.file("extdata", "sample.txt", package="alfr"))

  # get details of document node
  my_document <- alf_node(my_session, relative_path = "example/example.txt")

  # output the name of the document
  print(my_document$name)
```

```

# output the details of documents content
print(my_document$content$mime_type)
print(my_document$content$mime_type_name)
print(my_document$content$size)
print(my_document$content$encoding)

# read document content
my_content_file <- file(my_document$content$as.file(), "r")
my_content <- readLines(my_content_file)
close(my_content_file)
print(my_content)

# upload new content
my_updated_document <- my_document$content$update(
  system.file("extdata", "modified_sample.txt", package="alfr"))

# print updated content size
print(my_updated_document$content$size)

# delete document
alf_node.delete(my_session, my_document$id)
}

```

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alf\_node.delete      *Deletes an Alfresco node*

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### Description

Deletes an Alfresco node identified by `node_id`. If the node is a folder then all the delete recurses through the primary children.

### Usage

```
alf_node.delete(session, node_id, permanent = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>session</code>	valid Alfresco repository session
<code>node_id</code>	node id to delete
<code>permanent</code>	indicates whether the node is permanently deleted or places in the trashcan where where it can be recovered from. <code>FALSE</code> by default.

### Examples

```

# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <- tryCatch(
  alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
  error = function(e) NULL)

```

```
if (!is.null(my_session)) {  
  
  # create document  
  my_new_document <- alf_node.new(my_session, node_id="-root-",  
    list(  
      name = "example.txt",  
      nodeType = "cm:content",  
      relativePath = "example"  
    ))  
  
  # upload content  
  my_new_document$content$update(  
    system.file("extdata", "sample.txt", package="alfr"))  
  
  # get details of document node  
  my_document <- alf_node(my_session, relative_path = "example/example.txt")  
  
  # output the name of the document  
  print(my_document$name)  
  
  # output the details of documents content  
  print(my_document$content$mime_type)  
  print(my_document$content$mime_type_name)  
  print(my_document$content$size)  
  print(my_document$content$encoding)  
  
  # read document content  
  my_content_file <- file(my_document$content$as.file(), "r")  
  my_content <- readLines(my_content_file)  
  close(my_content_file)  
  print(my_content)  
  
  # upload new content  
  my_updated_document <- my_document$content$update(  
    system.file("extdata", "modified_sample.txt", package="alfr"))  
  
  # print updated content size  
  print(my_updated_document$content$size)  
  
  # delete document  
  alf_node.delete(my_session, my_document$id)  
}
```

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alf\_node.new

*Create a new Alfresco node*

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### **Description**

Creates a new Alfresco repository node as a child of node\_id.

**Usage**

```
alf_node.new(session, node_id, node_details)
```

**Arguments**

```
session      valid Alfresco repository session
node_id      node id
node_details details of new node
```

**Value**

```
node details
```

**Examples**

```
# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <- tryCatch(
  alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
  error = function(e) NULL)

if (!is.null(my_session)) {

  # create document
  my_new_document <- alf_node.new(my_session, node_id="-root-",
    list(
      name = "example.txt",
      nodeType = "cm:content",
      relativePath = "example"
    ))

  # upload content
  my_new_document$content$update(
    system.file("extdata", "sample.txt", package="alfr"))

  # get details of document node
  my_document <- alf_node(my_session, relative_path = "example/example.txt")

  # output the name of the document
  print(my_document$name)

  # output the details of documents content
  print(my_document$content$mime_type)
  print(my_document$content$mime_type_name)
  print(my_document$content$size)
  print(my_document$content$encoding)

  # read document content
  my_content_file <- file(my_document$content$as.file(), "r")
  my_content <- readLines(my_content_file)
  close(my_content_file)
  print(my_content)
```

```

# upload new content
my_updated_document <- my_document$content$update(
  system.file("extdata", "modified_sample.txt", package="alfr"))

# print updated content size
print(my_updated_document$content$size)

# delete document
alf_node.delete(my_session, my_document$id)
}

```

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alf\_session

*Get connection session to Alfresco content repository*


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### Description

Validates authentication details with Alfresco content repository, returning ticket, server details and endpoints if successful.

### Usage

```
alf_session(server, username, password)
```

### Arguments

server	Alfresco server URL
username	user name
password	password

### Value

Connection session to Alfresco repository

### Examples

```

# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <-
  tryCatch(
    alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
    error = function(e) NULL)

if (!is.null(my_session)) {

  # output session information
  print(paste("Session: [ticket = ", my_session$ticket,
             ", server = ", my_session$server, "]", sep=""))

  # verify that the session is valid

```

```
if (alf_session.is_valid(my_session)) print("Session verified as valid.")

# invalidate the session so that it can no longer be used
alf_session.invalidate(my_session)
}
```

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```
alf_session.invalidate
```

*Invalidates a session.*

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### Description

Invalidates a valid session so it can no longer be used to connect to an Alfresco repository.

### Usage

```
alf_session.invalidate(session)
```

### Arguments

```
session      session
```

### Value

TRUE if session has been successfully invalidated, FALSE if session was already invalid.

### Examples

```
# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <-
  tryCatch(
    alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
    error = function(e) NULL)

if (!is.null(my_session)) {

  # output session information
  print(paste("Session: [ticket = ", my_session$ticket,
             ", server = ", my_session$server, "]", sep=""))

  # verify that the session is valid
  if (alf_session.is_valid(my_session)) print("Session verified as valid.")

  # invalidate the session so that it can no longer be used
  alf_session.invalidate(my_session)
}
```



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```
alf_session.is_valid
```

*Determine whether a session is valid.*

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**Description**

Determines whether a given session is still valid or not.

**Usage**

```
alf_session.is_valid(session)
```

**Arguments**

```
session      session
```

**Value**

TRUE if the session is valid, FALSE otherwise

**Examples**

```
# try to establish a connection to the alfresco content repository
my_session <-
  tryCatch(
    alf_session("http://localhost:8080", "admin", "admin"),
    error = function(e) NULL)

if (!is.null(my_session)) {

  # output session information
  print(paste("Session: [ticket = ", my_session$ticket,
             ", server = ", my_session$server, "]", sep=""))

  # verify that the session is valid
  if (alf_session.is_valid(my_session)) print("Session verified as valid.")

  # invalidate the session so that it can no longer be used
  alf_session.invalidate(my_session)
}
```