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back_quote	<i>Back Quote Object</i>
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Description

Convert an R object to character and add back quotations.

Usage

```
back_quote(x, recursive = TRUE, as_double = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	An R object.
recursive	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if to back quote each item of x or to back quote x as a whole, when x is a vector. The default value is TRUE.
as_double	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if to differentiate between type double and integer. The default value is TRUE, which means integers are handled as doubles.

Value

A character vector.

Examples

```
back_quote(1:3)

back_quote(1:3, recursive = FALSE)

back_quote(1:3, as_double = FALSE)

back_quote(NULL)

back_quote(list(c, 1:3, "a"))
```

 check_binary_classes *Check Binary Operator's Arguments' Classes*

Description

Check if the arguments of a binary operator have valid classes, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_binary_classes(
  x,
  y,
  valid_x,
  valid_y = NULL,
  operator = NULL,
  commutative = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x, y	The argument to check, which can be any object.
valid_x, valid_y	A character vector which contains the valid classes. <code>valid_y</code> is assigned <code>valid_x</code> , if not specified.
operator	Optional. A single character which represents the binary operator.
commutative	TRUE or FALSE which indicates if arguments x and y can be swapped around. The default value is TRUE.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see <code>throw()</code> . By default, this is left empty.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

`vignette("erify")` for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- 1
class(x) <- c("a", "b")

y <- 2
class(y) <- c("c", "d")

check_binary_classes(x, y, c("d", "e"))
check_binary_classes(x, y, c("d", "e"), operator = "+")

check_binary_classes(x, y, c("d", "e"), c("a", "f"))
check_binary_classes(x, y, c("d", "e"), c("a", "f"), commutative = FALSE)

# customize error message with `glue::glue()` syntax
check_binary_classes(
  x, y, c("d", "e"),
  specific = "Left: {feature_x[1]}, {feature_x[2]}.",
  supplement = "Right: {feature_y[1]}, {feature_y[2]}."
)

## End(Not run)
```

check_bool

Check If Argument Is Single Logical

Description

Check if an argument is TRUE or FALSE, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_bool(
  x,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see throw() . By default, this is left empty.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with tryCatch() .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

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Examples

```
x <- TRUE
check_bool(x)

## Not run:
# `x` must have type logical
x <- 1
check_bool(x)

# `x` must have length 1
x <- c(TRUE, FALSE)
check_bool(x)

# `x` must not be `NA`
x <- NA
check_bool(x)

## End(Not run)
```

check_class	<i>Check Argument's Class</i>
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Description

Check if an argument has valid class, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_class(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	The argument to check, which can be any object.
<code>valid</code>	A character vector which contains valid classes.
<code>name</code>	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument <code>x</code> is captured automatically.
<code>general</code>	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>specific</code>	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>supplement</code>	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see <code>throw()</code> . By default, this is left empty.
<code>...</code>	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in `check_type()` for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

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Examples

```
x <- 1
class(x) <- c("a", "b")

check_class(x, c("a", "c"))

## Not run:
check_class(x, c("c", "d"))

# customize error message with `glue::glue()` syntax
specific <- "Unbelievable! The first class of `{name}` is {feature[1]}."
check_class(x, c("c", "d"), specific = specific)

## End(Not run)
```

check_classes

Check Each Item's Class

Description

Check if each item of an argument has valid class, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_classes(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	The argument to check, which must be a list.
<code>valid</code>	A character vector which contains valid classes.
<code>name</code>	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument <code>x</code> is captured automatically.
<code>general</code>	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>specific</code>	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.

supplement Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see [throw\(\)](#). By default, this is left empty.

... Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with [tryCatch\(\)](#).

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

[vignette\("erify"\)](#) for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
# argument to check
arg <- lapply(1:10, function(x) {class(x) <- c("a", "b"); x})

check_classes(arg, "a")

## Not run:
check_classes(arg, c("x", "y"))

## End(Not run)
```

check_content

Check Argument's Content

Description

Check if an argument is from some given choices or satisfies some requirement, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_content(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  as_double = TRUE,
  ...
)
```


Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
valid	can be <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. a function, which takes x as argument and returns TRUE or FALSE, 2. an expression, which contains x and evaluates to TRUE or FALSE, 3. a string of R code, which evaluates to TRUE or FALSE, or 4. a non-empty atomic vector, which contains the valid choices.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see throw() . By default, this is left empty.
as_double	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if to differentiate between type double and integer. The default value is TRUE, which means integers are handled as doubles.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with tryCatch() .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

[vignette\("erify"\)](#) for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
valid <- c(1, 2, 3)

x <- 2L
check_content(x, valid)

## Not run:
# `x` must have the same type with `valid`
x <- "a"
check_content(x, valid)

# `x` must have length 1
x <- c(1, 2)
```

```

check_content(x, valid)

# differentiate between type double and integer
x <- 2L
check_content(x, valid, as_double = FALSE)

# `valid` can be a function
check_content(x, is.na, general = "`x` must be `NA`.")

# `valid` can be a string of R code
check_content(x, "is.na(x)", general = "`x` must be `NA`.")

## End(Not run)

```

check_contents

Check Each Item's Content

Description

Check if each item of an argument is from some given choices or satisfies some requirement, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```

check_contents(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  as_double = TRUE,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
valid	can be <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. a function, which takes x as argument and returns TRUE or FALSE, 2. an expression, which contains x and evaluates to TRUE or FALSE, 3. a string of R code, which evaluates to TRUE or FALSE, or 4. a non-empty atomic vector, which contains the valid choices.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.

general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see throw() . By default, this is left empty.
as_double	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if to differentiate between type double and integer. The default value is TRUE, which means integers are handled as doubles.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with tryCatch() .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

[vignette\("erify"\)](#) for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- c(1, 2, 3)

check_contents(x, c(4, 5))

general = "Each item of `x` must be `NA`."

# `valid` can be a function or R code
check_contents(x, is.na, general = general)
check_contents(x, "is.na(x_i)", general = general)

## End(Not run)
```

check_length

Check Argument's Length

Description

Check if an argument has valid length, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```

check_length(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  interval = NULL,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	The argument to check, which can be any object.
<code>valid</code>	A numeric vector which contains non-negative integers and NA, used with argument <code>interval</code> to indicate the valid lengths.
<code>name</code>	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument <code>x</code> is captured automatically.
<code>general</code>	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>specific</code>	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>supplement</code>	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see <code>throw()</code> . By default, this is left empty.
<code>interval</code>	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if argument <code>valid</code> is interpreted as an interval or as single lengths. For example, <code>c(1, 10)</code> is interpreted as "larger than 1 and smaller than 10" if <code>interval</code> is TRUE, but as "1 or 10" if FALSE. NA can be used in <code>valid</code> when treated as interval. For example, <code>c(0, NA)</code> means "larger than 0". By default, <code>interval</code> is inferred from <code>valid</code> . For example, if <code>valid</code> has length unequal to 2, it's treated as single lengths.
<code>...</code>	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in `check_type()` for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

`vignette("erify")` for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- c(1, 2)

# `valid` as interval
check_length(x, c(1, 3), interval = TRUE)
check_length(x, c(NA, 2))

# `valid` as single lengths
check_length(x, c(1, 3), interval = FALSE)

# customize error message with `glue::glue()` syntax
specific <- "Oh my god! `{name}`'s length is {feature}."
check_length(x, 3, specific = specific)

## End(Not run)
```

check_n

*Check If Argument Is Single Natural Number***Description**

Check if an argument is a single natural number, and if not, generate an error message.

Can be used to check indices, for example.

Usage

```
check_n(
  x,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  zero = FALSE,
  ...
)

is_n(x, zero = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.

specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see throw() . By default, this is left empty.
zero	Optional. TRUE or FALSE which indicates if zero is acceptable. The default value is FALSE.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with tryCatch() .

Value

`check_n()` returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or it generates an error message.

`is_n()` returns TRUE or FALSE.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

`vignette("erify")` for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
x <- 1
check_n(x)

x <- 1L
check_n(x)

## Not run:
# `x` must be a numeric
x <- "1"
check_n(x)

# `x` must have length 1
x <- 1:2
check_n(x)

# `x` must not be `NA`
x <- NA_integer_
check_n(x)

# `x` must be larger than 0
x <- -1
check_n(x)

# `x` must be an integer in a mathematical sense
x <- 1.1
check_n(x)

# make `0` acceptable
```

```
x <- 0
check_n(x)
check_n(x, zero = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

check_string

Check If Argument Is Single Character

Description

Check if an argument is a single character. and if not, generate an error message.

Can be used to check argument names, for example.

Usage

```
check_string(
  x,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see throw() . By default, this is left empty.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with tryCatch() .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

`vignette("erify")` for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
x <- "a"
check_string(x)

## Not run:
# `x` must have type character
x <- c
check_string(x)

# `x` must have length 1
x <- c("a", "b")
check_string(x)

# `NA_character_` is not acceptable
x <- NA_character_
check_string(x)

## End(Not run)
```

check_type

Check Argument's Type

Description

Check if an argument has valid type, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_type(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```


Arguments

x	The argument to check, which can be any object.
valid	A character vector which contains the valid types.
name	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument x is captured automatically.
general	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
specific	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.
supplement	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see <code>throw()</code> . By default, this is left empty.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

`vignette("erify")` for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
# argument to check
arg <- 10

# returns silently if the argument has valid type
check_type(arg, "double")

## Not run:
check_type(arg, "character")

# specify argument's name
check_type(arg, "character", name = "x")

# specify argument `specific` with `glue::glue()` syntax
specific <- "{name}'s type is {feature}, which is wrong."
check_type(arg, "character", specific = specific)

# specify argument `supplement`
supplement <- c("You're wrong.", i = "Check your code.")
check_type(arg, "character", supplement = supplement)

# turn off `specific`
options(erify.n = 0)
check_type(arg, "character")
```

```
## End(Not run)

# add and retrieve additional argument
tryCatch(
  {check_type(arg, "character", your_arg = "your data")},
  error = function(e) e$your_arg
)
```

 check_types

Check Each Item's Type

Description

Check if each item of an argument has valid type, and if not, generate an error message.

Usage

```
check_types(
  x,
  valid,
  name = NULL,
  general = NULL,
  specific = NULL,
  supplement = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	The argument to check, which must be a list.
<code>valid</code>	A character vector which contains the valid types.
<code>name</code>	A single character which gives the argument's name. The name is used in the error message. By default, the name of the argument passed to argument <code>x</code> is captured automatically.
<code>general</code>	Optional. A single character which is used to give a general statement of the error incurred. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>specific</code>	Optional. A single character which gives a detailed description of the error. <code>glue::glue()</code> syntax can be used, see "Examples" section. By default, this is generated automatically.
<code>supplement</code>	Optional. A (named) character vector which gives some additional information about the error. The names are used to create bullets, see <code>throw()</code> . By default, this is left empty.
<code>...</code>	Optional. Additional arguments which can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

returns an invisible NULL if the argument is valid, or generates an error message.

See Also

"Examples" section in [check_type\(\)](#) for how to customize error message and how to add and retrieve additional arguments.

[vignette\("erify"\)](#) for a gentle introduction to this package.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# argument to check
arg <- as.list(1:10)

check_types(arg, "character")

# customize error message with `glue::glue()` syntax
specific <- "`{name}[[{i}]]` is an {feature}, oh my god!"
check_types(arg, "character", specific = specific)

## End(Not run)
```

 join

Connect Words with Conjunction

Description

Connect given words with a conjunction, e.g. "and" and "or".

Usage

```
join(words, conjunction = "or")
```

Arguments

words	A vector of list whose items can be converted to characters.
conjunction	A single character which represents a conjunction word. The default value is "or".

Value

If has length 1 or less, words is returned. Or items of words are concatenated and returned.

Examples

```
words <- c("apple", "orange", "Pink Floyd")
join(words, "and")
```

throw *Generate and Signal Condition*

Description

Generate and signal a condition.

Usage

```
throw(general, specifics = NULL, env = NULL, as = "error", class = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

general	A single character which gives a general statement of the condition.
specifics	Optional. A character vector which gives a list of details of the condition. If is <code>character(0)</code> , <code>throw()</code> will return silently. If is a named vector, the names are used to create bullets. If the name is "x" or "i", the bullet will be colored and bold. The default name is "x". You can customize bullets with option <code>erify.bullets</code> .
env	Optional. An environment or named list which is used to evaluate the R code in the above arguments. See <code>glue::glue()</code> .
as	Optional. "error", "warning" or "message" which indicates how to signal the condition. The default value is "error".
class	Optional. A character vector which assigns classes to the condition.
...	Optional. Additional arguments which are stored in the condition and can be retrieved with <code>tryCatch()</code> .

Value

If `specifics` is `character(0)`, returns an invisible `NULL`. Or signals an error, a warning, or a message.

Examples

```
general <- "You are wrong."

# returns silently
throw(general, character(0))

## Not run:
throw(general)

specifics <- c("Detail 1.", i = "Detail 2.")
throw(general, specifics)

# embed R code with glue syntax
throw("`x` is {x}.", env = list(x = 1))
```

```
## End(Not run)

# add and retrieve additional argument
tryCatch(
  { throw(general, arg = "I'm an additional argument.") },
  error = function(e) e$arg
)
```

where

Detect Where Code Is Running

Description

Check if code is running in RStudio, R Markdown file, R Jupyter Notebook or other contexts. And if is in R Markdown file, check the output format.

Usage

```
where()

is_rmd()

is_rstudio()

is_jupyter()
```

Value

For `where()`:

- If executed in R Markdown file, it returns the output format. If output format is not specified, it returns "rmd".
- If executed in RStudio, it returns "rstudio".
- If executed in R Jupyter Notebook, it returns "jupyter".
- If executed in other contexts, it returns "other".

`is_rmd()`, `is_rstudio()` and `is_jupyter()` return TRUE if executed in their corresponding contexts, or FALSE if not.

See Also

[rstudioapi::isAvailable\(\)](#), [knitr::pandoc_to\(\)](#).

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