

# Package ‘S7schema’

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document_schema	<i>Document configuration schema</i>
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## Description

Creates markdown documentation of a configuration suitable for use in e.g. vignettes to provide easy readable documentation for users.

## Usage

```
document_schema(x, header_start_level = 1L)
```

## Arguments

`x` character(1) path to JSON schema, list() of already loaded specifications, or S7schema() object.

`header_start_level` numeric(1) Level of initial header. All subheaders will continuously be one level smaller.

## Value

character(1)/knitr::asis\_output() markdown with the documentation.

## Examples

```
# Simple example schema
system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema") |>
  document_schema(2) |>
  cat()

# Changing header start level to 1
system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema") |>
  document_schema(1) |>
```

```
cat()

# Example with definitions
system.file("examples/definitions.json", package = "S7schema") |>
  document_schema(2) |>
  cat()
```

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S7schema

*Work with valid configurations*

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## Description

`S7schema()` provides a generic way of working with yaml configuration files.

The object is created by supplying both an initial YAML configuration (`file`) and the JSON schema definition (`schema`) of the configuration file.

The initial configuration is validated before the new object is returned. If not valid the first error is thrown, together with a path to the entry in the YAML file, and a description of the error.

The `S7schema` class inherits from `list`, ensuring that the content of the YAML file can be accessed as if read directly with `yaml::read_yaml()`, and supports the below workflow:

1. Read and validate config file: `x <- S7schema(...)`
2. Edit content as if it was a list: `x$new_entry <- "new_value"`
3. Validate new content against the original schema: `validate(x)`
4. Use values in downstream functions: `x$new_entry`

## Usage

```
S7schema(file, schema)
```

## Arguments

<code>file</code>	character(1) path to a yaml file to be checked.
<code>schema</code>	character(1) path to a JSON schema.

## Details

See internal `validator()` documentation for more info on how the validation is done.

## Value

New `S7schema` object.

## Properties

**schema** character(1) path to JSON schema being used to validate against.

**validator** Internal `validator()` used to validate the content (read-only).

**file** character(1) path to the source YAML file.

**Examples**

```
# Work with yaml configuration file:
S7schema(
  file = system.file("examples/config.yaml", package = "S7schema"),
  schema = system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema")
)
```

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to\_yaml

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*Convert an R object to YAML*


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**Description**

This function is used internally when validating list or S7schema objects, and when using write\_config() to save a configuration.

Underneath it is calling yaml::as.yaml() to do the conversion, but all logical values are converted to true/false instead of yes/no respectively for a more robust integration with other YAML parsers.

It is rarely relevant to call this function directly except for debugging purposes, or when implementing a new method for your own object class.

**Usage**

```
to_yaml(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    object to convert to YAML.

**Details**

to\_yaml() dispatches based on the class of x. Register a new S7 method if you want to overwrite how your own class is converted to YAML. See S7::method() for more information.

The default method just uses yaml::verbatim\_logical() to overwrite the default behavior of handling logical values:

```
function(x) {
  yaml::as.yaml(
    x = x,
    handlers = list(
      logical = yaml::verbatim_logical
    )
  )
}
```

Copy this and add your own additional handlers when implementing a new method.

**Value**

character(1) YAML string.

**Examples**

```
# Convert simple list to YAML
to_yaml(list(hello = "world", is_today = TRUE)) |>
  cat()

# Convert S7schema object
x <- S7schema(
  file = system.file("examples/config.yml", package = "S7schema"),
  schema = system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema")
)

print(x)

to_yaml(x) |>
  cat()
```

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validate\_config

*One-shot validation of configurations*

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**Description**

Check if a configuration is in accordance with a JSON schema definition.

It is possible to either validate an existing list object in memory or an existing yaml configuration file.

**Usage**

```
validate_list(x, schema)
```

```
validate_yaml(file, schema)
```

**Arguments**

x	list object to validate
schema	character(1) path to a JSON schema.
file	character(1) path to a yaml file to be checked.

**Details**

See internal [validator\(\)](#) documentation for more info on how the validation is done.

**Value**

- `validate_list()`: invisible(x)
- `validate_yaml()`: invisible(file)

**See Also**

[S7schema\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
# Validate list object in memory
validate_list(
  x = list(my_config_var = 1),
  schema = system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema")
) |>
print()

# Validate yaml file on disk
validate_yaml(
  file = system.file("examples/config.yml", package = "S7schema"),
  schema = system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema")
) |>
print()
```

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`write_config`

*Write YAML configuration file*

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**Description**

Thin wrapper around `to_yaml()` calling `validate()` before converting to YAML and creating the file, ensuring that the saved configuration is valid.

**Usage**

```
write_config(x, path = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	S7schema object to write.
<code>path</code>	character(1) path to the file to write to. Default NULL uses <code>x@file</code> for <code>S7schema()</code> objects.

**Value**

Invisible `x` (the input S7schema object). Called for side effect of writing the file.

**Examples**

```
# Read configuration file:
x <- S7schema(
  file = system.file("examples/config.yml", package = "S7schema"),
  schema = system.file("examples/schema.json", package = "S7schema")
)

print(x)

# Edit content
x$my_config_var <- 2

# Save new file
write_config(
  x = x,
  path = tempfile(fileext = ".yml")
)
```

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