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Description

Provides 'SAS' 'PROC FORMAT'-like functionality for creating and applying value formats in R. The package supports mapping values to labels, range-based formatting, reverse formatting (invalue), date/time/datetime formatting, and proper handling of missing values (NA, NULL, NaN).

Details

Format creation:

- `fnew` — create value-to-label mappings (formats)
- `finput` — create reverse mappings (label-to-value invalues)
- `fnew_bid` — create both format and invalue simultaneously
- `fnew_date` — create date/time/datetime formats ('SAS'-style or custom `strftime` patterns)
- `fparse` — parse 'SAS'-like format definitions from text or file
- `fimport` — import formats from a 'SAS' CNTLOUT CSV file
- `e` — mark a label for expression evaluation at apply-time

Format application:

- `fput` — apply a format to a vector (value to label)

- `fputn` — apply a numeric format by name (like 'SAS' PUTN)
- `fputc` — apply a character format by name (like 'SAS' PUTC)
- `fput_all` — apply a multilabel format returning all matching labels
- `fput_df` — apply formats to data frame columns

Reverse formatting:

- `finputn` — apply a numeric invalue by name (like 'SAS' INPUTN)
- `finputc` — apply a character invalue by name (like 'SAS' INPUTC)

Format library:

- `format_get` — retrieve a format from the global library
- `fprint` — list or display registered formats
- `fclear` — remove one or all formats from the library
- `fexport` — export formats to 'SAS'-like text

Utilities:

- `is_missing` — check for NA, NaN, and empty strings
- `range_spec` — create a range specification object

Key features:

- *Discrete and range-based* numeric formatting with configurable inclusive/exclusive bounds
- *Multilabel* formats — a value can match multiple labels (`multilabel = TRUE` in `fnew`, retrieved with `fput_all`)
- *Case-insensitive matching* (`ignore_case = TRUE` in `fnew`)
- *Expression labels* — labels containing `.x1`, `.x2`, etc. are evaluated at apply-time; see also `e`
- *Date/time/datetime* formatting with built-in 'SAS' format names (auto-resolved) or custom `strftime` patterns
- *Global format library* with auto-registration and case-insensitive name lookup
- *CNTLOUT import* — read format catalogues exported from 'SAS'

Cheat sheet: run `ksformat_cheatsheet()` to open the HTML version in your browser, or see the files in `system.file("doc", package = "ksformat")`.

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See Also

Source repository and issue tracker: <https://github.com/crow16384/ksformat>

Examples

```
# Discrete format
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", .missing = "Unknown", name = "sex")
fput(c("M", "F", NA), "sex")

# Numeric range format (parsed from text)
fparse(text = '
VALUE age (numeric)
  [0, 18) = "Child"
  [18, 65) = "Adult"
;
')
fputn(c(5, 25), "age")

# Bidirectional format + invalue
fnew_bid("A" = "Active", "I" = "Inactive", name = "status")
fputc("A", "status")
finputc("Active", "status_inv")

# Multilabel format
m1 <- fnew(
  "0,17,TRUE,TRUE" = "Pediatric",
  "18,Inf,TRUE,TRUE" = "Adult",
  "0,Inf,TRUE,TRUE" = "Any Age",
  name = "agegrp", type = "numeric", multilabel = TRUE
)
fput_all(c(10, 30), m1)

# Date format (SAS-style, auto-resolved)
fputn(Sys.Date(), "DATE9.")

# Export and library management
cat(fexport(sex = format_get("sex")))
fprint()
fclear()
```

e

Mark a Label for Expression Evaluation

Description

Marks a format label string so it will be evaluated as an R expression at apply-time (`fput`), even when it does not contain `.x1`, `.x2`, etc. placeholders.

Usage

```
e(expr)
```

Arguments

`expr` Character string. The R expression to evaluate.

Details

This is useful when a label should call a function that does not need positional `.xN` arguments. The expression is evaluated in the caller's environment of `fput`, so user-defined functions are accessible.

Labels containing `.x1`, `.x2`, etc. are still evaluated automatically without needing `e()`.

Value

The same character string with an "eval" attribute set to TRUE.

Examples

```
# Mark an expression for evaluation at apply-time
fmt <- fnew(
  "timestamp" = e("format(Sys.time(), '%Y-%m-%d')"),
  "static"    = "Hello",
  name = "demo_eval"
)
fput(c("timestamp", "static"), fmt)
fclear()
```

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| fclear | <i>Remove Format(s) from Library</i> |
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Description

Removes one or all formats from the global format library. When called without arguments, clears all formats. When called with a name, removes only that format.

Usage

```
fclear(name = NULL)
```

Arguments

`name` Character. Optional name of a specific format to remove. If NULL (default), removes all formats.

Value

Invisible NULL

Examples

```
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", name = "sex")
fclear("sex") # remove one format
fclear()      # remove all formats
```

fexport

Export Formats to 'SAS'-like Text

Description

Converts ks_format and/or ks_invalue objects to human-readable 'SAS'-like text representation.

Usage

```
fexport(..., formats = NULL, file = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| ... | Named ks_format or ks_invalue objects to export. |
| formats | A named list of format objects. Alternative to ... |
| file | Optional file path to write the output to. If NULL, returns the text as a character string. |

Value

If file is NULL, returns a character string with the 'SAS'-like text. If file is specified, writes to the file and returns the path invisibly.

Examples

```
# Export a character format
sex_fmt <- fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female",
              .missing = "Unknown", name = "sex")
cat(fexport(sex = sex_fmt))

# Export a numeric range format
fparse(text = '
VALUE bmi (numeric)
  [0, 18.5) = "Underweight"
  [18.5, 25) = "Normal"
  [25, 30) = "Overweight"
  [30, HIGH] = "Obese"
  .missing = "No data"
;
')
bmi_fmt <- format_get("bmi")
cat(fexport(bmi = bmi_fmt))
```

```

# Export a multilabel format
risk_fmt <- fnew(
  "0,3,TRUE,TRUE" = "Low Risk",
  "0,7,TRUE,TRUE" = "Monitored",
  "3,7,FALSE,TRUE" = "Medium Risk",
  "7,10,FALSE,TRUE" = "High Risk",
  name = "risk", type = "numeric", multilabel = TRUE
)
cat(fexport(risk = risk_fmt))

# Export a date format
enr1_fmt <- fnew_date("DATE9.", name = "enr1dt", .missing = "Not Enrolled")
cat(fexport(enr1dt = enr1_fmt))
fclear()

```

fimport

*Import Formats from 'SAS' PROC FORMAT CNTLOUT CSV***Description**

Reads a CSV file produced by 'SAS' PROC FORMAT with CNTLOUT= option (typically exported via PROC EXPORT) and converts compatible format definitions into ks_format and ks_invalue objects.

Usage

```
fimport(file, register = TRUE, overwrite = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| file | Path to the CSV file exported from a SAS format catalogue. |
| register | Logical; if TRUE (default), each imported format is registered in the global format library. |
| overwrite | Logical; if TRUE (default), existing library entries with the same name are overwritten. |

Details

The 'SAS' format catalogue CSV is expected to contain the standard CNTLOUT columns: FMTNAME, START, END, LABEL, TYPE, HLO, SEXCL, EEXCL.

Supported SAS format types:

N Numeric VALUE format → ks_format with type = "numeric"
 C Character VALUE format → ks_format with type = "character"
 I Numeric INVALUE (informat) → ks_invalue with target_type = "numeric"
 J Character INVALUE (informat) → ks_invalue with target_type = "character"

Incompatible types (logged with a warning):

P PICTURE formats – no equivalent in ksformat

Rows with SAS special missing values (.A–.Z, ._) in the HLO field are logged as incompatible entries and skipped because R has no equivalent concept.

Value

A named list of ks_format and ks_invalue objects that were successfully imported. Returned invisibly.

Examples

```
# In SAS:
# proc format library=work cntlout=fmts; run;
# proc export data=fmts outfile="formats.csv" dbms=csv replace; run;

csv_file <- system.file("extdata", "test_cntlout.csv", package = "ksformat")
imported <- fimport(csv_file)
fprint()
fclear()
```

finput

Create Invalue Format (Reverse Formatting like 'SAS' INVALUE)

Description

Creates an invalue format that converts formatted labels back to values. This is similar to 'SAS' PROC FORMAT with INVALUE statement. The invalue is automatically stored in the global format library if name is provided.

Usage

```
finput(..., name = NULL, target_type = "numeric", missing_value = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|--|
| ... | Named arguments defining label-value mappings (reverse of fnew). Example: "Male" = 1, "Female" = 2. |
| name | Character. Optional name for the invalue format. If provided, the invalue is automatically registered in the global format library. |
| target_type | Character. Type to convert to: "numeric" (default), "integer", "character", or "logical". INVALUE formats produce numeric output by default; character-to-character conversion should use a regular VALUE format (fnew) instead. |
| missing_value | Value to use for missing inputs (default: NA) |

Value

An object of class "ks_invalue" containing the invalue definition. The object is also stored in the format library if name is given.

Examples

```
# Convert text labels to numeric codes
finput(
  "Male" = 1,
  "Female" = 2,
  name = "sex_inv"
)

# Apply using finputn (numeric invalue by name)
finputn(c("Male", "Female", "Unknown"), "sex_inv")
# [1] 1 2 NA
fclear()
```

finputc

*Apply Character Invalue by Name (like 'SAS' INPUTC)***Description**

Looks up an INVALUE format by name from the global format library and applies it to convert labels to character values.

Usage

```
finputc(x, invalue_name)
```

Arguments

```
x           Character vector of labels to convert
invalue_name Character. Name of a registered INVALUE format.
```

Value

Character vector

Examples

```
# Bidirectional: use finputc for reverse direction
fnew_bid(
  "A" = "Active",
  "I" = "Inactive",
  "P" = "Pending",
  name = "status"
)

# Forward: code -> label
fputc(c("A", "I", "P"), "status")
# [1] "Active" "Inactive" "Pending"

# Reverse: label -> code
```

```
finput(c("Active", "Pending", "Inactive"), "status_inv")
# [1] "A" "P" "I"
fclear()
```

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| finputn | <i>Apply Numeric Invalue by Name (like 'SAS' INPUTN)</i> |
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Description

Looks up a numeric INVALUE format by name from the global format library and applies it to convert labels to numeric values.

Usage

```
finputn(x, invalue_name)
```

Arguments

x Character vector of labels to convert
invalue_name Character. Name of a registered INVALUE format.

Value

Numeric vector

Examples

```
# Create numeric invalue and apply
finput(
  "Male" = 1,
  "Female" = 2,
  name = "sex_inv"
)
finputn(c("Male", "Female", "Male", "Unknown", "Female"), "sex_inv")
# [1] 1 2 1 NA 2
fclear()
```

```
# Parse invalue from text and apply
fparse(text = '
INVALUE race_inv
  "White" = 1
  "Black" = 2
  "Asian" = 3
;
')
finputn(c("White", "Black"), "race_inv")
# [1] 1 2
fclear()
```

fnew *Create a Format Definition (like 'SAS' PROC FORMAT)*

Description

Creates a format object that maps values to labels, similar to 'SAS' PROC FORMAT. Supports discrete value mapping, ranges, and special handling of missing values. The format is automatically stored in the global format library if name is provided.

Usage

```
fnew(
  ...,
  name = NULL,
  type = "auto",
  default = NULL,
  multilabel = FALSE,
  ignore_case = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| ... | Named arguments defining value-label mappings. Can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discrete values: "M" = "Male", "F" = "Female" Special values: .missing = "Missing", .other = "Other" |
| name | Character. Optional name for the format. If provided, the format is automatically registered in the global format library. |
| type | Character. Type of format: "character", "numeric", or "auto" (default) for auto-detection. |
| default | Character. Default label for unmatched values (overrides .other) |
| multilabel | Logical. If TRUE, the format supports overlapping ranges where a single value can match multiple labels. Used with fput_all to retrieve all matching labels. Default FALSE. |
| ignore_case | Logical. If TRUE, key matching for character formats is case-insensitive. Default FALSE. |
| verbose | Logical. If TRUE, returns the format object visibly; otherwise returns it invisibly. Default FALSE. |

Details

Special directives:

- .missing: Label for NA, NULL, NaN values
- .other: Label for values not matching any rule

Expression labels: If a label contains `.x1`, `.x2`, etc., it is treated as an R expression that is evaluated at apply-time. Extra arguments are passed positionally via `...` in `fput`:

```
stat_fmt <- fnew("n" = "sprintf('%s', .x1)",
               "pct" = "sprintf('%.1f%%', .x1 * 100)")
fput(c("n", "pct"), stat_fmt, c(42, 0.15))
# Returns: "42" "15.0%"
```

Value

An object of class `"ks_format"` containing the format definition. The object is also stored in the format library if name is given.

Examples

```
# Discrete value format (auto-stored as "sex")
fnew(
  "M" = "Male",
  "F" = "Female",
  .missing = "Unknown",
  .other = "Other Gender",
  name = "sex"
)

# Apply immediately
fput(c("M", "F", NA, "X"), "sex")
# [1] "Male" "Female" "Unknown" "Other Gender"
fclear()

# Multilabel format: a value can match multiple labels
fnew(
  "0,5,TRUE,TRUE" = "Infant",
  "6,11,TRUE,TRUE" = "Child",
  "12,17,TRUE,TRUE" = "Adolescent",
  "0,17,TRUE,TRUE" = "Pediatric",
  "18,64,TRUE,TRUE" = "Adult",
  "65,Inf,TRUE,TRUE" = "Elderly",
  "18,Inf,TRUE,TRUE" = "Non-Pediatric",
  name = "age_categories",
  type = "numeric",
  multilabel = TRUE
)

# fput returns first match; fput_all returns all matches
fput(c(3, 14, 25, 70), "age_categories")
fput_all(c(3, 14, 25, 70), "age_categories")
fclear()
```

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| fnew_bid | <i>Create Bidirectional Format</i> |
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Description

Creates both a format and its corresponding invalue for bidirectional conversion. Both are automatically stored in the global format library if name is provided.

Usage

```
fnew_bid(..., name = NULL, type = "auto")
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--|
| ... | Named arguments for format mappings |
| name | Character. Base name for both formats. The invalue will be named <code>paste0(name, "_inv")</code> . |
| type | Character. Format type |

Value

List with format (`ks_format`) and invalue (`ks_invalue`) components.

Examples

```
# Bidirectional status format
status_bi <- fnew_bid(
  "A" = "Active",
  "I" = "Inactive",
  "P" = "Pending",
  name = "status"
)

# Forward: code -> label
fputc(c("A", "I", "P", "A"), "status")
# [1] "Active" "Inactive" "Pending" "Active"

# Reverse: label -> code
finput(c("Active", "Pending", "Inactive"), "status_inv")
# [1] "A" "P" "I"
fclear()
```

fnew_date

*Create Date/Time Format***Description**

Creates a format object for date, time, or datetime values using SAS format names or custom R `strftime` patterns. The format is automatically registered in the global format library.

Usage

```
fnew_date(pattern, name = NULL, type = "auto", .missing = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| pattern | Character. Either a SAS format name (e.g., "DATE9.", "MMDDYY10.", "TIME8.", "DATETIME20.") or a custom R <code>strftime</code> pattern (e.g., "%Y-%m-%d"). |
| name | Character. Name to register the format under. Defaults to the SAS format name (with period) or the pattern itself. |
| type | Character. Type of format: "date", "time", "datetime", or "auto" (auto-detect from SAS name). Must be specified for custom <code>strftime</code> patterns. |
| .missing | Character. Label for missing values (NA). Default NULL. |

Details

SAS format names are resolved automatically:

- **Date:** DATE9., DDMMYY10., MMDDYY10., YYMMDD10., MONYY7., YEAR4., WEEK-DATE., WORDDATE., etc.
- **Time:** TIME8., TIME5., HHMM., HOUR., MMSS.
- **Datetime:** DATETIME20., DATETIME13., etc.

Numeric input is converted using R epoch ("1970-01-01"):

- Dates: numeric values are interpreted as days since 1970-01-01
- Datetimes: numeric values are interpreted as seconds since 1970-01-01
- Times: always treated as seconds since midnight

Value

A `ks_format` object with date/time type, registered in the library.

Examples

```

# Use a SAS format name
fnew_date("DATE9.", name = "mydate")
fput(as.Date("2020-01-01"), "mydate")
# [1] "01JAN2020"

# Use directly without pre-creating
fputn(as.Date("2020-06-15"), "MMDDYY10.")
# [1] "06/15/2020"

# Custom strftime pattern (e.g., Russian style: DD.MM.YYYY)
fnew_date("%d.%m.%Y", name = "ru_date", type = "date")
fput(as.Date(c("1990-03-25", "1985-11-03", "2000-07-14")), "ru_date")

# Custom format with missing value label
fnew_date("MMDDYY10.", name = "us_date", .missing = "NO DATE")
fput(c(as.Date("2025-01-01"), NA, as.Date("2025-12-31")), "us_date")
# [1] "01/01/2025" "NO DATE" "12/31/2025"

# Numeric dates (days since 1970-01-01, R epoch)
r_days <- as.numeric(as.Date("2025-01-01"))
fputn(r_days, "DATE9.")

# Multiple SAS date formats applied directly
today <- Sys.Date()
fputn(today, "DATE9.")
fputn(today, "MMDDYY10.")
fputn(today, "YYMMDD10.")
fputn(today, "MONYY7.")
fputn(today, "WORDDATE.")
fputn(today, "QTR.")

# Time formatting (seconds since midnight)
fputn(c(0, 3600, 45000, 86399), "TIME8.")
fputn(c(0, 3600, 45000), "HHMM.")

# Datetime formatting
now <- Sys.time()
fputn(now, "DATETIME20.")
fputn(now, "DTDATE.")
fputn(now, "DTYYMMDD.")
fclear()

```

format_get

*Retrieve a Format from the Library***Description**

Returns a format or invalue object by name. Used when you need the object (e.g. for `fput_df` or `fexport`) rather than applying by name with `fput`, `fputn`, or `fputc`.

Usage

```
format_get(name)
```

Arguments

name Character. Name of a registered format or invalue.

Value

A ks_format or ks_invalue object.

Examples

```
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", name = "sex")
sex_fmt <- format_get("sex")
fput_df(data.frame(sex = c("M", "F")), sex = sex_fmt)
fclear()
```

fparse

Parse Format Definitions from 'SAS'-like Text

Description

Reads format definitions written in a human-friendly 'SAS'-like syntax and returns a list of ks_format and/or ks_invalue objects. All parsed formats are automatically stored in the global format library.

Usage

```
fparse(text = NULL, file = NULL, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

text Character string or character vector containing format definitions. If a character vector, lines are concatenated with newlines.

file Path to a text file containing format definitions. Exactly one of text or file must be provided.

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the parsed formats are printed to the console. Default is FALSE to suppress output (the result is returned invisibly).

Details

The syntax supports two block types:

VALUE blocks define formats (value -> label):

```

VALUE name (type)
  "value1" = "Label 1"
  "value2" = "Label 2"
  [low, high) = "Range Label (half-open)"
  (low, high] = "Range Label (open-low, closed-high)"
  .missing = "Missing Label"
  .other = "Other Label"
;

```

INVALUE blocks define reverse formats (label -> numeric value):

```

INVALUE name
  "Label 1" = 1
  "Label 2" = 2
;

```

Syntax rules:

- Blocks start with VALUE or INVALUE keyword and end with ;
- The type in parentheses is optional; defaults to "auto" for VALUE, "numeric" for INVALUE
- Values can be quoted or unquoted
- Ranges use interval notation with explicit bounds
- Legacy range syntax low - high is also supported
- Special range keywords: LOW (-Inf) and HIGH (Inf)
- .missing and .other are special directives
- Lines starting with /*, *, //, or # are comments

Value

A named list of ks_format and/or ks_invalue objects. Names correspond to the format names defined in the text. All formats are automatically registered in the global format library.

Examples

```

# Parse multiple format definitions from text
fparse(text = '
VALUE sex (character)
  "M" = "Male"
  "F" = "Female"
  .missing = "Unknown"
;

VALUE age (numeric)
  [0, 18) = "Child"
  [18, 65) = "Adult"
  [65, HIGH] = "Senior"
  .missing = "Age Unknown"
;

```

```

// Invalue block
INVALUE race_inv
  "White" = 1
  "Black" = 2
  "Asian" = 3
;
')

fput(c("M", "F", NA), "sex")
fputn(c(5, 25, 70, NA), "age")
finputn(c("White", "Black"), "race_inv")
fprint()
fclear()

# Parse date/time/datetime format definitions
fparse(text = '
VALUE enrldt (date)
  pattern = "DATE9."
  .missing = "Not Enrolled"
;

VALUE visit_time (time)
  pattern = "TIME8."
;

VALUE stamp (datetime)
  pattern = "DATETIME20."
;
')

fput(as.Date("2025-03-01"), "enrldt")
fput(36000, "visit_time")
fput(as.POSIXct("2025-03-01 10:00:00", tz = "UTC"), "stamp")
fclear()

# Parse multilabel format
fparse(text = '
VALUE risk (numeric, multilabel)
  [0, 3] = "Low Risk"
  [0, 7] = "Monitored"
  (3, 7] = "Medium Risk"
  (7, 10] = "High Risk"
;
')
fput_all(c(2, 5, 9), "risk")
fclear()

```

Description

Displays format information from the global format library. When called without arguments, lists all registered format names. When called with a name, displays the full definition of that format.

Usage

```
fprint(name = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--|
| name | Character. Optional name of a specific format to display. If NULL (default), lists all registered formats. |
|------|--|

Value

Invisible NULL. This function is for display only.

Examples

```
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", name = "sex")
fprint()      # list all formats
fprint("sex") # show specific format
fclear()
```

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|------|---|
| fput | <i>Apply Format to Data (like 'SAS' PUT function)</i> |
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Description

Applies a format definition to a vector of values, returning formatted labels. Properly handles NA, NULL, NaN, and other missing values.

Usage

```
fput(x, format, ..., keep_na = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| x | Vector of values to format |
| format | A ks_format object or a character string naming a format in the global format library. |
| ... | Additional arguments for expression labels. Positional arguments are mapped to .x1, .x2, etc. inside expression labels. Can be vectors of the same length as x or scalars (recycled). |
| keep_na | Logical. If TRUE, preserve NA in output instead of applying missing label. |

Details

The function handles missing values in the following order:

1. NA, NULL, NaN -> Uses format's missing_label if defined
2. Exact matches -> Uses defined value-label mapping
3. Range matches (for numeric) -> Uses range label
4. No match -> Uses format's other_label or returns original value

Expression labels: If a label string contains .x1, .x2, etc., it is evaluated as an R expression at apply-time. Extra data is passed as positional arguments:

```
stat_fmt <- fnew("n" = "sprintf('%s', .x1)",
               "pct" = "sprintf('%.1f%%', .x1 * 100)")
fput(c("n", "pct"), stat_fmt, c(42, 0.15))
# Returns: "42" "15.0%"
```

Case-insensitive matching: When a format has ignore_case = TRUE, key matching is case-insensitive for character formats.

Value

Character vector with formatted labels

Examples

```
# Basic discrete formatting
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", .missing = "Unknown", name = "sex")
fput(c("M", "F", NA, "X"), "sex")
# [1] "Male" "Female" "Unknown" "X"

# Preserve NA instead of applying missing label
sex_f <- fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", .missing = "Unknown")
fput(c("M", "F", NA), sex_f, keep_na = TRUE)
# [1] "Male" "Female" NA

# Numeric range formatting
fparse(text = '
VALUE score (numeric)
  (0, 50] = "Low"
  (50, 100] = "High"
  .other = "Out of range"
;
')
fput(c(0, 1, 50, 51, 100, 101), "score")
# [1] "Out of range" "Low" "Low" "High" "High" "Out of range"
fclear()
```

`fputc`*Apply Character Format by Name (like 'SAS' PUTC)*

Description

Looks up a character VALUE format by name from the global format library and applies it to the input vector.

Usage

```
fputc(x, format_name, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | Character vector of values to format |
| <code>format_name</code> | Character. Name of a registered character format, or a character vector of format names (same length as <code>x</code>) to apply a different format per element (like 'SAS' PUTC with a variable format). |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments passed to <code>fput</code> for expression labels (mapped to <code>.x1</code> , <code>.x2</code> , etc.). |

Value

Character vector with formatted labels

Examples

```
# Apply character format by name
fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", name = "sex")
fputc(c("M", "F"), "sex")
# [1] "Male" "Female"

# Bidirectional: forward direction
fnew_bid(
  "A" = "Active",
  "I" = "Inactive",
  "P" = "Pending",
  name = "status"
)
fputc(c("A", "I", "P", "A"), "status")
# [1] "Active" "Inactive" "Pending" "Active"
fclear()
```

 fputn

Apply Numeric Format by Name (like 'SAS' PUTN)

Description

Looks up a numeric VALUE format by name from the global format library and applies it to the input vector.

Usage

```
fputn(x, format_name, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| x | Numeric vector of values to format |
| format_name | Character. Name of a registered numeric format, or a character vector of format names (same length as x) to apply a different format per element (like 'SAS' PUTN with a variable format). |
| ... | Additional arguments passed to fput for expression labels (mapped to .x1, .x2, etc.). |

Value

Character vector with formatted labels

Examples

```
# Numeric range formatting
fparse(text = '
VALUE age (numeric)
  [0, 18)   = "Child"
  [18, 65) = "Adult"
  [65, HIGH] = "Senior"
  .missing = "Age Unknown"
;
')
fputn(c(5, 25, 70, NA), "age")
# [1] "Child" "Adult" "Senior" "Age Unknown"

# SAS date format (auto-resolved, no pre-creation needed)
fputn(as.Date("2025-01-15"), "DATE9.")
# [1] "15JAN2025"

# Time format (seconds since midnight)
fputn(c(0, 3600, 45000), "TIME8.")
# [1] "00:00:00" "01:00:00" "12:30:00"
fclear()
```

| | |
|----------|---|
| fput_all | <i>Apply Format and Return All Matches (Multilabel)</i> |
|----------|---|

Description

For multilabel formats, returns all matching labels for each input value. Regular `fput` returns only the first match; this function returns all matches as a list of character vectors.

Usage

```
fput_all(x, format, ..., keep_na = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| x | Vector of values to format |
| format | A <code>ks_format</code> object or a character string naming a format in the global format library. |
| ... | Additional arguments for expression labels (mapped to <code>.x1</code> , <code>.x2</code> , etc.). |
| keep_na | Logical. If TRUE, preserve NA in output. |

Value

A list of character vectors. Each element contains all matching labels for the corresponding input value.

Examples

```
# Basic multilabel: a value can match multiple labels
age_ml <- fnew(
  "0,5,TRUE,TRUE" = "Infant",
  "6,11,TRUE,TRUE" = "Child",
  "12,17,TRUE,TRUE" = "Teen",
  "0,17,TRUE,TRUE" = "Minor",
  "18,64,TRUE,TRUE" = "Adult",
  "65,Inf,TRUE,TRUE" = "Senior",
  name = "age_ml", type = "numeric", multilabel = TRUE
)

fput_all(c(3, 15, 25), age_ml)
# [[1]] "Infant" "Minor"
# [[2]] "Teen" "Minor"
# [[3]] "Adult"

# Multilabel with .missing and .other
fnew(
  "0,100,TRUE,TRUE" = "Valid Score",
  "0,49,TRUE,TRUE" = "Below Average",
  "50,100,TRUE,TRUE" = "Above Average",
```

```

"90,100,TRUE,TRUE" = "Excellent",
.missing = "No Score",
.other = "Out of Range",
name = "score_ml", type = "numeric", multilabel = TRUE
)
fput_all(c(95, 45, NA, 150), "score_ml")
# [[1]] "Valid Score" "Above Average" "Excellent"
# [[2]] "Valid Score" "Below Average"
# [[3]] "No Score"
# [[4]] "Out of Range"

# Parse multilabel from text
fparse(text = '
VALUE risk (numeric, multilabel)
  [0, 3] = "Low Risk"
  [0, 7] = "Monitored"
  (3, 7] = "Medium Risk"
  (7, 10] = "High Risk"
;
')
fput_all(c(2, 5, 9), "risk")
# [[1]] "Low Risk" "Monitored"
# [[2]] "Monitored" "Medium Risk"
# [[3]] "High Risk"
fclear()

```

fput_df

Apply Format to Data Frame Columns

Description

Applies formats to one or more columns in a data frame.

Usage

```
fput_df(data, ..., suffix = "_fmt", replace = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| data | Data frame |
| ... | Named format specifications: column_name = format_object_or_name |
| suffix | Character. Suffix to add to formatted column names (default: "_fmt") |
| replace | Logical. If TRUE, replace original columns; if FALSE, create new columns |

Value

Data frame with formatted columns

Examples

```
# Apply formats to multiple columns
df <- data.frame(
  id = 1:6,
  sex = c("M", "F", "M", "F", NA, "X"),
  age = c(15, 25, 45, 70, 35, NA),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)

sex_f <- fnew("M" = "Male", "F" = "Female", .missing = "Unknown")
fparse(text = '
VALUE age (numeric)
[0, 18) = "Child"
[18, 65) = "Adult"
[65, HIGH] = "Senior"
.missing = "Age Unknown"
;
')
age_f <- format_get("age")

fput_df(df, sex = sex_f, age = age_f, suffix = "_label")

# Date formatting in data frames
patients <- data.frame(
  id = 1:4,
  visit_date = as.Date(c("2025-01-10", "2025-02-15", "2025-03-20", NA)),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)
visit_fmt <- fnew_date("DATE9.", name = "visit_fmt", .missing = "NOT RECORDED")
fput_df(patients, visit_date = visit_fmt)
fclear()
```

is_missing

*Check if Value is Missing***Description**

Element-wise check for missing values including NA and NaN. Optionally treats empty strings as missing.

Usage

```
is_missing(x)
```

Arguments

x Value to check

Value

Logical vector. NULL input returns `logical(0)`.

Examples

```
is_missing(NA)           # TRUE
is_missing(NaN)          # TRUE
is_missing("")           # TRUE
is_missing("text")       # FALSE
is_missing(c(1, NA, NaN)) # FALSE TRUE TRUE
```

ksformat_cheatsheet *Open the ksformat cheat sheet*

Description

Opens the package cheat sheet in the default browser (HTML) or viewer (PDF). The files are installed under `system.file("doc", ..., package = "ksformat")`.

Usage

```
ksformat_cheatsheet(format = c("html", "pdf"))
```

Arguments

`format` Character: "html" (default) or "pdf". Which version to open.

Value

Invisibly, the path to the opened file. If the file is not found, an error is thrown.

Examples

```
ksformat_cheatsheet()        # open HTML in browser
ksformat_cheatsheet("pdf")   # open PDF
```

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| print.ks_format | <i>Print Format Object</i> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|

Description

Print Format Object

Usage

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

Arguments

| | |
|-----|-------------------------------|
| x | A ks_format object |
| ... | Additional arguments (unused) |

Value

The input x, returned invisibly.

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| print.ks_invalue | <i>Print Invalue Object</i> |
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Description

Print Invalue Object

Usage

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

Arguments

| | |
|-----|-------------------------------|
| x | A ks_invalue object |
| ... | Additional arguments (unused) |

Value

The input x, returned invisibly.

| | |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| range_spec | <i>Create Range Specification</i> |
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Description

Helper function to create range specifications for numeric formats.

Usage

```
range_spec(low, high, label, inc_low = TRUE, inc_high = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| low | Numeric. Lower bound of the range. |
| high | Numeric. Upper bound of the range. |
| label | Character. Label for values in this range. |
| inc_low | Logical. If TRUE (default), the lower bound is inclusive (\geq). If FALSE, exclusive ($>$). |
| inc_high | Logical. If TRUE, the upper bound is inclusive (\leq). If FALSE (default), exclusive ($<$). |

Details

By default, ranges are half-open: $[low, high)$ — the lower bound is included and the upper bound is excluded. This matches 'SAS' PROC FORMAT range semantics and prevents overlap between adjacent ranges.

Value

A range_spec object (list with low, high, label, inc_low, inc_high).

Examples

```
range_spec(0, 18, "Child")           # [0, 18)
range_spec(18, 65, "Adult")         # [18, 65)
range_spec(65, Inf, "Senior", inc_high = TRUE) # [65, Inf]
```

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