

# Package ‘tinyoperators’

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**Description** The 'tinyoperators' R-package adds some infix operators, and a few functions.

It primarily focuses on 4 things.

(1) Float truth testing.

(2) Reducing repetitive code.

(3) Extending the string manipulation capabilities of the 'stringi' R package.

(4) A new package and module import system, that combines the benefits of aliasing a package with the benefits of attaching a package.

The 'tinyoperators' R-package has only one dependency, namely 'stringi'.

However, it does allow multi-threading of some of the string-related functions (when appropriate) via the suggested 'stringfish' R-package.

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float_truth_testing	<i>Safer float (in)equality operators</i>
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## Description

The `%f==%`, `%f!=%`, `%f<%`, `%f>%`, `%f<=%`, `%f>=%` (in)equality operator perform float truth testing. They are virtually equivalent to the regular (in)equality operators,

`==`, `!=`, `<`, `>`, `<=`, `>=`,

except for one aspect. The float truth testing operators assume that if the absolute difference between `x` and `y` is smaller than the Machine tolerance, `sqrt(.Machine$double.eps)`, then `x` and `y` ought to be consider to be equal.

Thus these provide safer float truth testing.

For example: `0.1*7 == 0.7` returns FALSE, even though they are equal, due to the way floating numbers are stored in programming languages like R. But `0.1*7 %f==% 0.7` returns TRUE.

There are also the `x %f{ }% bnd` and `x %f!{ }% bnd` operators, where `bnd` is a vector of length 2, or a 2-column matrix (`nrow(bnd)==length(x)` or `nrow(bnd)==1`).

The `x %f{ }% bnd` operator checks if `x` is within the closed interval with bounds defined by `bnd`.

The `x %f!{ }% bnd` operator checks if `x` is outside the closed interval with bounds defined by `bnd`.

## Usage

`x %f==% y`

`x %f!=% y`

`x %f<% y`

`x %f>% y`

`x %f<=% y`

`x %f>=% y`

`x %f{ }% bnd`

`x %f!{ }% bnd`

**Arguments**

<code>x, y</code>	numeric vectors, matrices, or arrays, though these operators were specifically designed for floats (class "double").
<code>bnd</code>	either a vector of length 2, or a matrix with 2 columns and 1 row, or else a matrix with 2 columns where <code>nrow(bnd)==length(x)</code> . The first element/column of <code>bnd</code> gives the lower bound of the closed interval; The second element/column of <code>bnd</code> gives the upper bound of the closed interval;

**Examples**

```

x <- c(0.3, 0.6, 0.7)
y <- c(0.1*3, 0.1*6, 0.1*7)
print(x); print(y)
x == y # gives FALSE, but should be TRUE
x != y # gives TRUE, should be FALSE
x > y # not wrong
x < y # gives TRUE, should be FALSE
x %f==% y # here it's done correctly
x %f!=% y # correct
x %f<% y # correct
x %f>% y # correct
x %f<=% y # correct
x %f>=% y # correct

x <- c(0.3, 0.6, 0.7)
bnd <- matrix(c(0.29, 0.59, 0.69, 0.31, 0.61, 0.71), ncol=2)
x %f{%} bnd
x %f!{%} bnd

# These operators still work for non-float numerics also:
x <- 1:5
y <- 1:5
x %f==% y
x %f!=% y
x %f<% y
x %f>% y
x %f<=% y
x %f>=% y

x <- 1:5
y <- x+1
x %f==% y
x %f!=% y
x %f<% y
x %f>% y
x %f<=% y
x %f>=% y

x <- 1:5
y <- x-1
x %f==% y
x %f!=% y
x %f<% y
x %f>% y
x %f<=% y

```

```
x %f>=% y
```

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import

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*Additional package import management*


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## Description

These functions implement a new package import system, that attempts to combine the benefits of aliasing a package with the benefits of attaching a package.

`import_as`:

The `import_as()` function imports the namespace of an R package, and optionally also its dependencies, enhances, and extensions, under the same alias. The specified alias will be placed in the current environment (like the global environment, or the environment within a function).

`import_inops`:

The `import_inops()` function exposes the infix operators of the specified packages to the current environment (like the global environment, or the environment within a function).

To ensure the user can still verify which operator function came from which package, a "package" attribute is added to each exposed operator.

Naturally, the namespaces of the operators remain intact.

`import_data`:

The `import_data()` function gets a specified data set from a package.

Unlike `utils::data()`, the `import_data()` function returns the data set directly, and allows assigning the data set like so:

```
mydata <- import_data(...).
```

`import_lsf`:

The `import_lsf(package, ...)` function gets a list of exported functions/operators from a package.

## Usage

```
import_as(
  alias,
  main_package,
  dependencies = FALSE,
  enhances = NULL,
  extensions = NULL,
  loadorder = c("dependencies", "main_package", "enhances", "extensions"),
  lib.loc = .libPaths()
)
```

```
import_inops(pkgs, lib.loc = .libPaths(), exclude, include.only)
```

```
import_data(dataname, package, lib.loc = .libPaths())
```

```
import_lsf(package, type, lib.loc = .libPaths())
```

**Arguments**

alias	<p>a variable name (unquoted), giving the (not yet existing) object where the package(s) are to be assigned to.</p> <p>Syntactically invalid names are not allowed for the alias name.</p>
main_package	<p>a single string, giving the name of the main package to load under the given alias.</p>
dependencies	<p>either logical, or a character vector.</p> <p>If FALSE (default), no dependencies are loaded under the alias.</p> <p>If TRUE, ALL direct dependencies of the main_package are loaded under the alias, but <b>excluding</b> core/base R packages, and also <b>excluding</b> pre-installed "recommended" R packages. See also <a href="#">pkgs_get_deps</a></p> <p>If a character vector, then it is taken as the direct dependencies of the package to be loaded also under the alias.</p> <p>NOTE (1): "Dependencies" here are defined as any package appearing in the "Depends", "Imports", or "LinkingTo" sections of the Description file of the main_package. So no recursive dependencies.</p> <p>NOTE (2): If dependencies is a character vector: The order of the character vector matters! If multiple packages share objects with the same name, the package named last will overwrite the earlier named packages.</p>
enhances	<p>a character vector, giving the names of the packages enhanced by the main_package to be loaded also under the alias.</p> <p>Defaults to NULL, which means no enhances are loaded.</p> <p>NOTE(1): Enhances are defined as packages appearing in the "Enhances" section of the Description file of the main_package.</p> <p>NOTE (2): The order of the character vector matters! If multiple packages share objects with the same name, the objects of the package named last will overwrite those of the earlier named packages.</p>
extensions	<p>a character vector, giving the names of the extensions / reverse-dependencies of the main_package to be loaded also under the alias.</p> <p>Defaults to NULL, which means no extensions are loaded.</p> <p>NOTE (1): "Extensions" here are defined as reverse-depends or reverse-imports. It does not matter if these are CRAN or non-CRAN packages.</p> <p>NOTE (2): The order of the character vector matters! If multiple packages share objects with the same name, the objects of the package named last will overwrite those of the earlier named packages.</p>
loadorder	<p>the character vector</p> <p><code>c("dependencies", "main_package", "enhances", "extensions")</code>, or some re-ordering of this character vector, giving the relative load order of the groups of packages.</p> <p>By default this is the character vector</p> <p><code>c("dependencies", "main_package", "enhances", "extensions")</code>, which results in the following load order:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The dependencies, in the order specified by the dependencies argument.</li> <li>(2) The main_package (see argument main_package).</li> <li>(3) The enhances, in the order specified by the enhances argument.</li> <li>(4) The reverse-dependencies/extensions, in the order specified by the extensions argument.</li> </ol>

<code>lib.loc</code>	character vector specifying library search path (the location of R library trees to search through). This is usually <code>.libPaths()</code> . See also <a href="#">loadNamespace</a> .
<code>pkgs</code>	a single string, or character vector, with the package name(s). NOTE (1): The order of the character vector matters! If multiple packages share objects with the same name, the objects of the package named last will overwrite those of the earlier named packages. NOTE (2): The <code>import_inops</code> function performs a basic check that the packages are mostly (reverse) dependencies of each other. If not, it will give an error.
<code>exclude</code>	a character vector, giving the infix operators NOT to expose to the current environment. This can be handy to prevent overwriting any (user defined) infix operators already present in the current environment. NOTE: You cannot specify both the <code>exclude</code> and <code>include.only</code> arguments. Only one or the other, or neither.
<code>include.only</code>	a character vector, giving the infix operators to expose to the current environment, and the rest of the operators will not be exposed. This can be handy to prevent overwriting any (user defined) infix operators already present in the current environment. NOTE: You cannot specify both the <code>exclude</code> and <code>include.only</code> arguments. Only one or the other, or neither.
<code>dataname</code>	a single string, giving the name of the data set.
<code>package</code>	the quoted package name.
<code>type</code>	The type of functions to list. Possibilities: "inops" or "operators": Only infix operators. "regfuns": Only regular functions (thus excluding infix operators). "all": All functions, both regular functions and infix operators.

## Details

The `import_as()` function does not allow importing base/core R under an alias, so don't try. For a more detailed description of the import system introduced by the `tinyoperators` R package, please refer to the Read Me file on the GitHub main page:  
<https://github.com/tony-aw/tinyoperators>

## Value

For `import_as`:

The variable named in the `alias` argument will be created (if it did not already exist), in the current environment (like the global environment, or the environment within a function). The alias object will contain the (merged) package environment.

For `import_inops()`:

The infix operators from the specified packages will be placed in the current environment (like the Global environment, or the environment within a function).

For `import_data()`:

Returns the data directly. Thus, one can assign the data like so: `mydata <- import_data(...)`.

For `import_lsf()`:

Returns a character vector of function and/or operator names.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
import_as( # this creates the dr object
dr, "dplyr", depends=c("tibble", "tidyselect"), extends = "powerjoin"
)
import_inops("data.table")
d <- import_data("chicago", "gamair")
head(d)

## End(Not run)
```

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inplace

*Generalized in-place (mathematical) modifier*


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## Description

Generalized in-place (mathematical) modifier.

The `x %:= f` operator allows performing in-place modification of some object `x` with a function `f`.

For example this:

```
object[object > 0] %:= \(x) x + 1
```

Is the same as:

```
object[object > 0] <- object[object > 0] + 1
```

This function-based method is used instead of the more traditional in-place mathematical modification like `+=` to prevent precedence issues (functions come before mathematical arithmetic in R).

## Usage

```
x %:= f
```

## Arguments

- |                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | an object, with properties such that function <code>f</code> can be use on it.<br>For example, when function <code>f</code> is mathematical, <code>x</code> should be a number or numeric (or 'number-like') vector, matrix, or array. |
| <code>f</code> | a function to be applied in-place on <code>x</code> .  |

## Value

This operator does not return any value:  
it is an in-place modifiers, and thus modifies `x` directly.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1)
object <- matrix(rpois(10, 10), ncol=2)
print(object)
object %:=% \(x) x+3 # same as object <- object + 3
print(object)
```

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inplace\_str\_arithmetic

*In place modifying string arithmetic*


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**Description**

In-place modifier versions of string arithmetic:

`x %s+ =% y` is the same as `x <- x %s+% y`

`x %s- =% p` is the same as `x <- x %s-% p`

`x %s* =% n` is the same as `x <- x %s*% n`

`x %s/ =% p` is the same as `x <- x %s/% p`

See also the documentation on string arithmetic: [string arithmetic](#).

Some of the internal code of these operators was inspired by the `roperators` R package.

**Usage**

`x %s+ =% y`

`x %s- =% p`

`x %s* =% n`

`x %s/ =% p`

**Arguments**

`x`, `y`, `p`, `n`      see [string arithmetic](#) and [s\\_pattern](#).

**Value**

These operators do not return any value: they are in-place modifiers, and thus modify `x` directly.

**References**

Wiseman B, Nydick S, Jones J (2022). `roperators`: Additional Operators to Help you Write Cleaner R Code. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=roperators>



**Examples**

```

y <- "a"
p <- "a|e|i|o|u"
n <- c(2, 3)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s+ =% y # same as x <- x %s+% y
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s- =% p # same as x <- x %s-% p
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s* =% n # same as x <- x %s\*% n
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s/ =% p # same as x <- x %s/% p
print(x)

#####

y <- "a"
# pattern with ignore.case=TRUE:
p <- s_pattern(regex = "A|E|I|O|U", ignore.case=TRUE)
n <- c(3, 2)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s+ =% y # same as x <- x %s+% y
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s- =% p # same as x <- x %s-% p
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s* =% n # same as x <- x %s\*% n
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %s/ =% p # same as x <- x %s/% p
print(x)

```

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inplace\_str\_subset      *In place modifying string subsetting*


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## Description

In-place modifier versions of string subsetting:

`x %sget =% ss` is the same as `x <- x %sget% ss`

`x %strim =% ss` is the same as `x <- x %strim% ss`

See also the documentation on string subsetting ([string subset](#)).  
Note that there is no in-place modifier versions of `%ss%`.

Some of the internal code of these operators was inspired by the `roperators` R package.

## Usage

```
x %sget =% ss
```

```
x %strim =% ss
```

## Arguments

`x`, `ss`                      see [string subset](#).

## Value

These operators do not return any value: they are in-place modifiers, and thus modify `x` directly.

## References

Wiseman B, Nydick S, Jones J (2022). `roperators`: Additional Operators to Help you Write Cleaner R Code. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=roperators>

## Examples

```
ss <- c(2,2)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %sget =% ss # same as x <- x %sget% ss
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %strim =% ss # same as x <- x %strim% ss
print(x)
```

```
#####
```

```

ss <- c(2,2)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %sget% ss # same as x <- x %sget% ss
print(x)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
x %strim% ss # same as x <- x %strim% ss
print(x)

```

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logic\_ops

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*Logic operators*


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## Description

Additional logic operators:

The `x %xor% y` operator is the "exclusive-or" operator, the same as `xor(x, y)`.

The `x %n%&% y` operator is the "not-and" operator, the same as `(!x) & (!y)`.

The `x %out% y` operator is the same as `!x %in% y`.

The `x %?=% y` operator checks if `x` and `y` are **both** unreal or unknown (i.e. NA, NaN, Inf, -Inf).

The `n %numtype% numtype` operator is a vectorized operator that checks for every value of numeric vector `n` if it can be considered a number belonging to type `numtype`. See arguments for details.

The `s %strtype% strtype` operator is a vectorized operator that checks for every value of character vector `s` if it can be seen as a certain `strtype`. See arguments for details.

The `s %sgrep% p` operator is a vectorized operator that checks for every value of character vector `s` if it has pattern `p`.

## Usage

`x %xor% y`

`x %n%&% y`

`x %out% y`

`x %?=% y`

`s %sgrep% p`

n %=numtype% numtype

s %=strtype% strtype

### Arguments

x, y	see <a href="#">Logic</a> .
s	a character vector.
p	the result from <a href="#">s_pattern</a> , or else a character vector of the same length as s with regular expressions.
n	a numeric vector.
numtype	<p>a single string giving the type if numeric to be checked. The following options are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "~0": zero, or else a number whose absolute value is smaller than the Machine tolerance (<code>sqrt(.Machine\$double.eps)</code>).</li> <li>• "B": binary numbers (exactly 0 or exactly 1);</li> <li>• "prop": proportions - numbers between 0 and 1 (exactly 0 or 1 is also allowed);</li> <li>• "N": Natural numbers (non-negative integers including zero);</li> <li>• "I": Integers;</li> <li>• "odd": odd integers;</li> <li>• "even": even integers;</li> <li>• "R": Real numbers;</li> <li>• "unreal": infinity, NA, or NaN;</li> </ul>
strtype	<p>a single string giving the type of string to be checked. The following options are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "empty": checks if the string only consists of empty spaces.</li> <li>• "unreal": checks if the string is NA, or if it has literal string "NA", "NaN" or "Inf", regardless if it has leading or trailing spaces.</li> <li>• "numeric": checks if the string can be converted to a number, disregarding leading and trailing spaces. I.e. the string "5.0" can be converted to the actual number 5.0.</li> <li>• "special": checks if the string consists of only special characters.</li> </ul>

## Examples

```
x <- c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE, NA, NaN, Inf, -Inf, TRUE, FALSE)
y <- c(FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, rep(NA, 6))
outcome <- data.frame(
  x=x, y=y,
  "x %xor% y"=x %xor% y, "x %n% y" = x %n% y, "x %?=% y" = x %?=% y,
  check.names = FALSE
)
print(outcome)

1:3 %out% 1:10
1:10 %out% 1:3

n <- c(0:5, 0:-5, 0.1, -0.1, 0, 1, Inf, -Inf, NA, NaN)
1e-20 %=numtype% "~0"
n[n %=numtype% "B"]
n[n %=numtype% "prop"]
n[n %=numtype% "N"]
n[n %=numtype% "I"]
n[n %=numtype% "odd"]
n[n %=numtype% "even"]
n[n %=numtype% "R"]
n[n %=numtype% "unreal"]

s <- c(" AbcZ123 ", " abc ", " 1.3 ", " !#$%^&*() ", " ", " NA ", " NaN ", " Inf ")
s[s %=strtype% "empty"]
s[s %=strtype% "unreal"]
s[s %=strtype% "numeric"]
s[s %=strtype% "special"]

s <- c("Hello world", "Goodbye world")
p <- s_pattern(regex = c("Hello", "Hello"))
s %sgrep% p
```

## Description

Infix operators for custom row- and column-wise re-ordering of matrices

The `x %row% mat` operator re-orders the elements of every row of matrix `x` according to the ordering ranks given in matrix `mat`.

The `x %col% mat` operator re-orders the elements of every column of matrix `x` according to the ordering ranks given in matrix `mat`.

**Usage**

```
x %row~% mat
```

```
x %col~% mat
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	a matrix
<code>mat</code>	a matrix with the same dimensions as <code>x</code> , giving the ordering ranks of every element of matrix <code>x</code> .

**Details**

If matrix `x` is a numeric matrix, and one wants to sort the elements of every row or column numerically, `x %row~% x` or `x %col~% x` would suffice, respectively.

If matrix `x` is not numeric, sorting the elements using `x %row~% x` and `x %col~% x` are still possible, but probably not the best option. In the non-numeric case, providing a matrix of ordering ranks for `mat` would be faster and give more accurate ordering. See the examples section.

If `mat` is a matrix of non-repeating random integers (i.e. `sample(1:length(x), replace=FALSE)` `sample(1:length(x))` `|> matrix(ncol=ncol(x))`), `x %row~% mat` will randomly shuffle the elements of every row, where the shuffling order of every row is independent of the other rows. Similarly, `x %col~% mat` will randomly shuffle the elements of every column, where the shuffling order of every column is independent of the other columns.

These operators internally only use vectorized operations (no loops or apply-like functions), and are faster than re-ordering matrices using loops or apply-like functions.

**Value**

A modified matrix.

**Examples**

```
# numeric matrix ====

x <- matrix(sample(1:25), nrow=5)
print(x)
x %row~% x # sort elements of every row
x %row~% -x # reverse-sort elements of every row
x %col~% x # sort elements of every column
x %col~% -x # reverse-sort elements of every column

x <- matrix(sample(1:25), nrow=5)
print(x)
mat <- sample(1:length(x)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(x)) # matrix of non-repeating random integers
x %row~% mat # randomly shuffle every row independently
x %col~% mat # randomize shuffle every column independently

# character matrix ====
```

```

x <- matrix(sample(letters, 25), nrow=5)
print(x)
mat <- stringi::stri_rank(as.vector(x)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(x))
x %row~% mat # sort elements of every row
x %row~% -mat # reverse-sort elements of every row
x %col~% mat # sort elements of every column
x %col~% -mat # reverse-sort elements of every column

x <- matrix(sample(letters, 25), nrow=5)
print(x)
mat <- sample(1:length(x)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(x)) # matrix of non-repeating random integers
x %row~% mat # randomly shuffle every row independently
x %col~% mat # randomize shuffle every column independently

```

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pkgs\_get\_deps

*Miscellaneous package functions*


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## Description

The `pkgs %installed in% lib.loc` operator checks if one or more package(s) `pkgs` exist(s) in library location `lib.loc`.

Now you no longer have to attach a package with `require()` simply to check if it exists.

Moreover, this operator makes it syntactically explicit in your code where you are looking for your R package(s).

The `pkgs_get_deps()` function gets the dependencies of a package from the Description file. It works on non-CRAN packages also.

## Usage

```

pkgs_get_deps(
  package,
  lib.loc = .libPaths(),
  deps_type = c("Depends", "Imports", "LinkingTo"),
  base = FALSE,
  recom = FALSE
)

```

`pkgs %installed in% lib.loc`

## Arguments

<code>package</code>	a single string giving the package name
<code>lib.loc</code>	character vector specifying library search path (the location of R library trees to search through). This is usually <code>.libPaths()</code> . See also <a href="#">loadNamespace</a> .
<code>deps_type</code>	a character vector, giving the dependency types to be used. Defaults to <code>c("Depends", "Imports", "LinkingTo")</code> .
<code>base</code>	logical, indicating whether base/core R packages should be included (TRUE), or not included (FALSE; the default).

recom	logical, indicating whether the pre-installed "recommended" R packages should be included (TRUE), or not included (FALSE; the default). Note that only the recommended R packages actually installed in your system are taken into consideration.
pkgs	a single string, or character vector, with the package name(s).

### Value

For `pkgs %installed in% lib.loc`: Returns a logical vector, where TRUE indicates a package is installed, and FALSE indicates a package is not installed.

For `pkgs_get_deps()`: A character vector of dependencies.

### References

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/30223957/elegantly-extract-r-package-dependencies-of-a-package-not-listed-on-cran>

### Examples

```
## Not run:
pkgs <- c(unlist(tools::package_dependencies("devtools")), "devtools")
pkgs %installed in% .libPaths()

## End(Not run)
```

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source\_module

*Additional module import management*

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### Description

The alias `%@source% list(file=...)` operator imports all objects from a source-able script file under an alias.

The `source_inops()` function exposes the infix operators defined in a source-able script file to the current environment (like the global environment, or the environment within a function).

Note that the alias `%@source% list(file=...)` operator and the `source_inops()` function do NOT suppress output (i.e. plots, prints, messages) from the sourced module file.

### Usage

```
alias %@source% lst

source_inops(...)
```



**Arguments**

alias	a variable name (unquoted), giving the (not yet existing) object where the sourced objects from the module are to be assigned to. Syntactically invalid names are not allowed for the alias name.
lst	a named list, giving the arguments to be passed to the <a href="#">source</a> function. For example: alias %@source% list(file="mydir/myscript.R")
...	arguments to be passed to the <a href="#">source</a> function, such as the file argument.

**Value**

For the alias %@source% list(file=...) operator:

The variable named as the alias will be created (if it did not already exist) in the current environment, and will contain all objects from the sourced script.

For source\_inops():

The infix operators from the specified module will be placed in the current environment (like the Global environment, or the environment within a function).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
alias %@source% list(file="mydir/mymodule.R")
source_inops(file="mydir/mymodule.R")

## End(Not run)
```

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stri\_join\_mat

Concatenate Character Matrix Row-wise or Column-wise

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**Description**

The stri\_join\_mat() function (and their aliases stri\_c\_mat and stri\_paste\_mat) perform row-wise (margin=1; the default) or column-wise (margin=2) joining of a matrix of strings, thereby transforming a matrix of strings into a vector of strings.

**Usage**

```
stri_join_mat(mat, margin = 1, sep = "", collapse = NULL)
```

```
stri_c_mat(mat, margin = 1, sep = "", collapse = NULL)
```

```
stri_paste_mat(mat, margin = 1, sep = "", collapse = NULL)
```

## Arguments

mat	a matrix of strings
margin	the margin over which the strings must be joined. If margin=1, the elements in each row of matrix mat are joined into a single string. Thus if the matrix has 10 rows, it returns a vector of 10 strings. If margin=2, the elements in each column of matrix mat are joined into a single string. Thus if the matrix has 10 columns, it returns a vector of 10 strings.
sep, collapse	as in <a href="#">stri_join</a> .

## Details

The examples section show the uses of the `stri_join_mat()` function.

## Value

The `stri_join_mat()` function, and its aliases, return a vector of strings.

## Examples

```
# re-ordering characters in strings ====

x <- c("Hello world", "Goodbye world")
print(x)
mat <- stringi::stri_split_boundaries(x, simplify = TRUE, type="character")
rank <- stringi::stri_rank(as.vector(mat)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(mat))
sorted <- mat %row% rank
print(sorted)
stri_join_mat(sorted, margin=1)
stri_join_mat(sorted, margin=2)

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# re-ordering words ====

x <- c("Hello everyone", "Goodbye everyone")
print(x)
mat <- stringi::stri_split_boundaries(x, simplify = TRUE, type="word")
rank <- stringi::stri_rank(as.vector(mat)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(mat))
sorted <- mat %row% rank
print(sorted)
stri_c_mat(sorted, margin=1) # <- alias for stri_join_mat
stri_c_mat(sorted, margin=2)

#####

# re-ordering sentences ====

x <- c("Hello, who are you? Oh, really?! Cool!", "I don't care. But I really don't.")
print(x)
mat <- stringi::stri_split_boundaries(x, simplify = TRUE, type="sentence")
rank <- stringi::stri_rank(as.vector(mat)) |> matrix(ncol=ncol(mat))
sorted <- mat %row% rank
print(sorted)
stri_paste_mat(sorted, margin=1) # <- another alias for stri_join_mat
```

```
stri_paste_mat(sorted, margin=2)
```

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stri_locate_ith	<i>Locate <math>i^{th}</math> Pattern Occurrence</i>
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## Description

The `stri_locate_ith` function locates the  $i^{th}$  occurrence of a pattern in each string of some character vector.

## Usage

```
stri_locate_ith(str, i, ..., regex, fixed, coll, charclass)
```

## Arguments

<code>str</code>	a string or character vector.
<code>i</code>	<p>a number, or a numeric vector of the same length as <code>str</code>. This gives the <math>i^{th}</math> instance to be replaced.</p> <p>Positive numbers are counting from the left. Negative numbers are counting from the right. I.e.:</p> <p><code>stri_locate_ith(str, i=1, ...)</code> gives the position (range) of the first occurrence of a pattern.</p> <p><code>stri_locate_ith(str, i=-1, ...)</code> gives the position (range) of the last occurrence of a pattern.</p> <p><code>stri_locate_ith(str, i=2, ...)</code> gives the position (range) of the second occurrence of a pattern.</p> <p><code>stri_locate_ith(str, i=-2, ...)</code> gives the position (range) of the second-last occurrence of a pattern.</p> <p>If <code>abs(i)</code> is larger than the number of instances, the first (if <code>i &lt; 0</code>) or last (if <code>i &gt; 0</code>) instance will be given.</p> <p>For example: suppose a string has 3 instances of some pattern;</p> <p>then if <code>i &gt;= 4</code> the third instance will be located,</p> <p>and if <code>i &lt;= -3</code> the first instance will be located.</p>
<code>...</code>	more arguments to be supplied to <a href="#">stri_locate</a> and <a href="#">stri_count</a> .
<code>regex, fixed, coll, charclass</code>	a character vector of search patterns, as in <a href="#">stri_locate</a> .

## Value

The `stri_locate_ith()` function returns an integer matrix with two columns, giving the start and end positions of the  $i^{th}$  matches, and two NAs if no matches are found.

**Examples**

```
# simple pattern ====

x <- rep(paste0(1:10, collapse=""), 10)
print(x)
out <- stri_locate_ith(x, 1:10, regex = as.character(1:10))
cbind(1:10, out)

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
p <- rep("a|e|i|o|u", 2)
out <- stri_locate_ith(x, c(-1, 1), regex=p)
print(out)
substr(x, out[,1], out[,2])

#####

# ignore case pattern ====

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
p <- rep("A|E|I|O|U", 2)
out <- stri_locate_ith(x, c(1, -1), regex=p, case_insensitive=TRUE)
substr(x, out[,1], out[,2])

#####

# multi-character pattern ====

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
# multi-character pattern:
p <- rep("AB", 2)
out <- stri_locate_ith(x, c(1, -1), regex=p, case_insensitive=TRUE)
print(out)
substr(x, out[,1], out[,2])

#####

# Replacement transformation using stringi ====

x <- c("hello world", "goodbye world")
loc <- stri_locate_ith(x, c(1, -1), regex="a|e|i|o|u")
extr <- stringi::stri_sub(x, from=loc)
repl <- chartr(extr, old = "a-zA-Z", new = "A-Za-z")
stringi::stri_sub_replace(x, loc, replacement=repl)
```

str\_arithmetic

*String arithmetic***Description**

String arithmetic operators.

The `x %s+% y` operator is equivalent to `stringi::stri_c(x,y)`.

The `x %s-% p` operator removes character/pattern defined in `p` from `x`.

The `x %s*% n` operator repeats every element of `x` for `n` times, and glues them together.

The `x %s/% p` operator counts how often regular expression or character pattern `p` occurs in each element of `x`.

**Usage**

`x %s+% y`

`x %s-% p`

`x %s*% n`

`x %s/% p`

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	a string or character vector.
<code>y</code>	a string, or a character vector of the same length as <code>x</code> .
<code>p</code>	the result from <a href="#">s_pattern</a> , or else a character vector of the same length as <code>x</code> with regular expressions.
<code>n</code>	a number, or a numeric vector of the same length as <code>x</code> .

**Details**

These operators and functions serve as a way to provide straight-forward string arithmetic, missing from base R.

**Value**

The `%s+%`, `%s-%`, and `%s*%` operators return a character vector of the same length as `x`.

The `%s/%` returns a integer vector of the same length as `x`.

**Examples**

```
x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
y <- c("a", "b")
p <- rep("a|e|i|o|u", 2) # same as p <- s_pattern(regex=rep("a|e|i|o|u", 2))
n <- c(3, 2)

x %s+% y # =paste0(x,y)
x %s-% p # remove all vowels from x
x %s*% n
x %s/% p # count how often vowels appear in each string of vector x.
```

```
#####
```

```
x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
y <- "a"
# pattern that ignores case:
p <- s_pattern(regex=rep("A|E|I|O|U", 2), ignore.case=TRUE)
n <- c(2, 3)

x %s+% y # =paste0(x,y)
x %s-% p # remove all vowels from x
x %s*% n
x %s/% p # count how often vowels appears in each string of vector x.
```

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str\_subset\_ops

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String subsetting operators

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**Description**

String subsetting operators.

The `x %ss% s` operator allows indexing a single string as-if it is an iterable object.

The `x %sget% ss` operator gives a certain number of the first and last characters of `x`.

The `x %strim% ss` operator removes a certain number of the first and last characters of `x`.

**Usage**

```
x %ss% s
```

```
x %sget% ss
```

```
x %strim% ss
```

**Arguments**

x	a string or character vector.
s	a numeric vector giving the subset indices.
ss	a vector of length 2, or a matrix with 2 columns with <code>nrow(ss)==length(x)</code> . The object <code>ss</code> should consist entirely of non-negative integers (thus 0, 1, 2, etc. are valid, but -1, -2, -3 etc are not valid). The first element/column of <code>ss</code> gives the number of characters counting from the left side to be extracted/removed from <code>x</code> . The second element/column of <code>ss</code> gives the number of characters counting from the right side to be extracted/removed from <code>x</code> .

**Details**

These operators serve as a way to provide straight-forward string sub-setting.

**Value**

The `%ss%` operator always returns a vector or matrix, where each element is a single character.

**Examples**

```
x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
ss <- c(2,3)
x %sget% ss

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
ss <- c(1,0)
x %sget% ss

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
ss <- c(2,3)
x %strim% ss

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
ss <- c(1,0)
x %strim% ss
```

substr\_repl

*Substr - functions***Description**

Fully vectorized sub-string functions.

These functions extract, replace, add-in, transform, or re-arrange, the  $i^{th}$  pattern occurrence or position range.

The substr\_repl(x, rp, ...) function replaces a position (range) with string rp.

The substr\_chartr(x, old, new, ...) function transforms the sub-string at a position (range) using chartr(old, new).

The substr\_addin(x, addition, side, ...) function adds the additional string addition at the side (specified by argument side) of a position.

The substr\_extract(x, type, ...) function extracts the string at, before, or after some position.

The substr\_arrange(x, arr, ...) function sorts (alphabetically or reverse-alphabetically) or reverses the sub-string at a position (range).

**Usage**

```
substr_repl(x, rp, ..., loc = NULL, start = NULL, end = NULL, fish = FALSE)
```

```
substr_chartr(
  x,
  old = "a-zA-Z",
  new = "A-Za-z",
  ...,
  loc = NULL,
  start = NULL,
  end = NULL,
  fish = FALSE
)
```

```
substr_addin(
  x,
  addition,
  side = "after",
  ...,
  loc = NULL,
  at = NULL,
  fish = FALSE
)
```

```
substr_extract(
  x,
```



```

    type = "at",
    ...,
    loc = NULL,
    start = NULL,
    end = NULL,
    fish = FALSE
)

substr_arrange(
  x,
  arr = "incr",
  ...,
  loc = NULL,
  start = NULL,
  end = NULL,
  opts_collator = NULL,
  fish = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

x	a string or character vector.
rp	a string, or a character vector of the same length as x, giving the replacing strings.
...	only applicable if fish=TRUE; other arguments to be passed to the stringfish functions.
loc	The result from the <a href="#">stri_locate_ith</a> function. NOTE: you cannot fill in both loc and start,end, or both loc and at. Choose one or the other.
start, end	integers, or integer vectors of the same length as x, giving the start and end position of the range to be modified.
fish	although <code>tinyoperators</code> has no dependencies other than <code>stringi</code> , it does allow the internal functions to use the multi-threadable <code>stringfish</code> functions. To do so, set fish=TRUE; this requires <code>stringfish</code> to be installed.
old, new	see <a href="#">chartr</a> . Defaults to old="a-zA-Z", new="A-Za-z", which means upper case characters will be transformed to lower case characters, and vice-versa.
addition	a string, or a character vector of the same length as x, giving the string(s) to add-in.
side	which side of the position to add in the string. Either "before" or "after".
at	an integer, or integer vector of the same length as x, giving the position after or before which the string is to be added.
type	a single string, giving the part of the string to extract. 3 options available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• type = "at": extracts the string part at the position range;</li> <li>• type = "before": extracts the string part before the position range;</li> <li>• type = "after": extracts the string part after the position range.</li> </ul>

**arr** a single string, giving how the sub-string should be arranged. 3 options available:

- `arr = "incr"`: sort the sub-string alphabetically.
- `arr = "decr"`: sort the sub-string reverse alphabetically.
- `arr = "rev"`: reverse the sub-string.
- `arr = "rand"`: randomly shuffles the sub-string.

**opts\_collator** as in [stri\\_rank](#). Only used when `arr = "incr"` or `arr = "decr"`.

## Details

These functions serve as a way to provide straight-forward sub-string modification and/or extraction.

All `substr_` functions internally only use fully vectorized R functions (no loops or apply-like functions).

## Value

A modified character vector. If no match is found in a certain string of character vector `x`, the unmodified string is returned. The exception is for the `substr_extract()` function: in this function, non-matches return NA.

## Examples

```
# numerical substr ====

x <- rep("12345678910", 2)
start=c(1, 2); end=c(3,4)
substr_extract(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="before", start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="after", start=start, end=end)
substr_repl(x, c("??", "!!"), start=start, end=end)
substr_chartr(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_addin(x, c(" ", "~"), "after", at=end)
substr_addin(x, c(" ", "~"), "before", at=start)
substr_arrange(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_arrange(x, "decr", start=start, end=end)
substr_arrange(x, "rev", start=start, end=end)
substr_arrange(x, "rand", start=start, end=end)

start=10; end=11
substr_extract(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="before", start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="after", start=start, end=end)
substr_repl(x, "??", start=start, end=end)
substr_chartr(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_addin(x, " ", "after", at=end)
substr_addin(x, " ", "before", at=start)

start=5; end=6
substr_extract(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="before", start=start, end=end)
substr_extract(x, type="after", start=start, end=end)
substr_repl(x, "??", start=start, end=end)
```

```

substr_chartr(x, start=start, end=end)
substr_addin(x, " ", "after", at=end)
substr_addin(x, " ", "before", at=start)

#####

# simple pattern ====

x <- c("goodGOODGoodgOod", "goodGOODGoodgOod", paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""))
print(x)
loc <- stri_locate_ith(
  # locate second-last occurrence of "good" of each string in x:
  x, -2, regex="good", case_insensitive=TRUE
)
substr_extract(x, loc=loc) # extract second-last "good"
substr_repl(x, c("??", "!!", " "), loc=loc) # replace second-last "good"
substr_chartr(x, loc=loc) # switch upper/lower case of second-last "good"
substr_addin(x, c(" ", "~", " "), "after", loc=loc) # add white space after second-last "good"
substr_addin(x, c(" ", "~", " "), "before", loc=loc) # add white space before second-last "good"
substr_arrange(x, loc=loc) # sort second-last "good"
substr_arrange(x, "decr", loc=loc) # reverse-sort second-last "good"
substr_arrange(x, "rev", loc=loc) # reverse second-last "good"
substr_arrange(x, "rand", loc=loc) # randomly shuffles "good"

```

s\_pattern

*Pattern attribute assignment*

## Description

The %s-% and %s/% operators, their in-place equivalents, as well as the %sgrep% operator, all perform pattern matching for some purpose. By default the pattern matching is interpreted as case-sensitive regex patterns from `stringi`.

The `s_pattern` function allows the user to specify exactly how the pattern should be interpreted. To use more refined pattern definition, simply replace the right-hand-side expression `p` in the relevant operators with a call from the `s_pattern()` function.

The `s_pattern()` function uses the exact same argument convention as `stringi`. For example:

- `s_pattern(regex=p, case_insensitive=FALSE, ...)`
- `s_pattern(fixed=p, ...)`
- `s_pattern(coll=p, ...)`
- `s_pattern(charclass=p, ...)`

All arguments in `s_pattern()` are simply passed to the appropriate functions in `stringi`.

For example:

`x %s/% p` counts how often regular expression `p` occurs in `x`, whereas `x %s/% s_pattern(fixed=p, case_insensitive=TRUE)` will do the same, except it uses fixed (i.e. literal) expression, and it does not distinguish between upper case and lower case characters.

For consistency with base R, one can also fill in `ignore.case=TRUE` or `ignore_case=TRUE` instead of `case_insensitive=TRUE`, and `s_pattern` will still understand that.

## Usage

```
s_pattern(...)
```

## Arguments

... pass stringi arguments here. I.e. `regex=p`, `coll=p`, `charclass=p`, `case_insensitive=FALSE`, etc. See the documentation in the `stringi` R package.

## Details

The `s_pattern()` function only works in combination with the functions and operators in this package. It does not affect functions from base R or functions from other packages.

## Value

The `s_pattern(...)` call returns a list with arguments that will be passed to the appropriate functions in `stringi`.

## Examples

```
x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
p <- rep("a|e|i|o|u", 2) # same as p <- s_pattern(regex=rep("a|e|i|o|u", 2))
x %s/% p # count how often vowels appear in each string of vector x.

x <- c(paste0(letters[1:13], collapse=""), paste0(letters[14:26], collapse=""))
print(x)
p <- s_pattern(regex=rep("A|E|I|O|U", 2), case_insensitive=TRUE)
x %s/% p # count how often vowels appear in each string of vector x.
```

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tinyoperators\_help      *The tinyoperators help page*

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## Description

Welcome to the `tinyoperators` help page!

The `tinyoperators` R-package adds some infix operators, and a few functions. It primarily focuses on 4 things:

- (1) Float truth testing.
- (2) Reducing repetitive code.
- (3) Extending the string manipulation capabilities of the `stringi` R package.
- (4) A new package and module import system, that combines the benefits of aliasing a package with the benefits of attaching a package.

The `tinyoperators` R-package has only one dependency, namely `stringi`, though it does allow multi-threading of some of the string-related functions (when appropriate) via the suggested `stringfish` R-package.

The tinyoperators R package adds the following functionality:

- [Infix logical operators](#) for exclusive-or, not-and, not-in, number-type, and string-type.
- [Safer \(in\)equality operators for floating numbers](#).
- Infix operators for [string arithmetic](#).
- Infix operators for [string sub-setting](#).
- Several operators for the "Don't Repeat Yourself" coding principle (DRY). This includes the [generalized in-place \(mathematical\) modification operator](#), infix operators for [In-place modifying string arithmetic](#), and infix operators for [In-place modifying string sub-setting](#).
- [Infix operators for row- and column-wise re-ordering of matrices](#).
- The tinyoperators package adds additional stringi functions, namely [stri\\_locate\\_ith](#) and [stri\\_join\\_mat](#) (and aliases). These functions use the same naming and argument convention as the rest of the stringi functions, thus keeping your code consistent.
- The fully vectorized [sub-string functions](#), that extract, replace, add-in, transform, or re-arrange, the  $i^{th}$  pattern occurrence or location.
- The [s\\_pattern](#) helper function for string operators.
- [New package import functions](#), and [new module sourcing functions](#).
- Most stringi pattern expressions options are available for the string-pattern-related functions, when appropriate.
- This R package has only one dependency: stringi. No other dependencies, as to avoid "dependency hell".
- Although this package has no other dependencies, it allows multi-threading of the sub-string functions through the stringfish R package.

Please also have a look at the Read-Me file on the GitHub main page before using this package:  
<https://github.com/tony-aw/tinyoperators>

## Usage

```
tinyoperators_help()
```

**Description**

Consider the following code:

```
ifelse(cond(x), f(x), g(x))
```

Here a conditional subset of the object `x` is transformed, where the condition is using a function referring to `x` itself. Consequently, reference to `x` is written four times!

The `tinyoperators` package therefore adds the `transform_if()` function which will tidy this up.

The `tinyoperators` package also adds 2 "subset\_if" operators:

The `x %[if]% cond` operator selects elements from vector/matrix/array `x`, for which the result of `cond(x)` returns TRUE.

The `x %[!if]% cond` operator selects elements from vector/matrix/array `x`, for which the result of `cond(x)` returns FALSE.

The `tinyoperators` package also adds the `x %unreal =% repl` operator:

`x %unreal =% repl` is the same as `x[is.na(x)|is.nan(x)|is.infinite(x)] <- repl`

**Usage**

```
transform_if(x, cond, trans_T = function(x) x, trans_F = function(x) x)
```

```
x %[if]% cond
```

```
x %[!if]% cond
```

```
x %unreal =% repl
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	a vector, matrix, or array.
<code>cond</code>	a function that returns a binary logic (TRUE, FALSE) vector of the same length/dimensions as <code>x</code> (for example: <code>is.na</code> ).
<code>trans_T</code>	the transformation function to use when <code>cond(x)==TRUE</code> . For example: <code>log</code> . If this is not specified, <code>trans_T</code> defaults to <code>function(x)x</code> .
<code>trans_F</code>	the transformation function to use when <code>cond(x)==FALSE</code> . For example: <code>log</code> . If this is not specified, <code>trans_F</code> defaults to <code>function(x)x</code> .
<code>repl</code>	the replacement value.

**Details**

The `transform_if(x, cond, trans)` function does not rely on any explicit or implicit loops, nor any third-party functions.

**Value**

For `transform_if()`:

Similar to [ifelse](#). However, unlike `ifelse()`, the transformations are evaluated as `trans_T(x[cond(x)])` and `trans_F(x[!cond(x)])`, ensuring no unnecessary warnings or errors occur.

The `subset_if` - operators all return a vector with the selected elements.

The `x %unreal =% repl` operator does not return any value:

It is an in-place modifiers, and thus modifies `x` directly. The object `x` is modified such that all NA, NaN and Inf elements are replaced with `repl`.

**Examples**

```
object_with_very_long_name <- matrix(-10:9, ncol=2)
print(object_with_very_long_name)
object_with_very_long_name |> transform_if(\(x)x>0, log)
object_with_very_long_name |> transform_if(\(x)x>0, log, \(x)x^2)
object_with_very_long_name %[if]% \(x)x %in% 1:10
object_with_very_long_name %[!if]% \(x)x %in% 1:10

x <- c(1:9, NA, NaN, Inf)
print(x)
x %unreal =% 0 # same as x[is.na(x)|is.nan(x)|is.infinite(x)] <- 0
print(x)
```

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