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`capture_environment` *Capture Environment State*

Description

Captures the current global environment state including objects and their types

Usage

```
capture_environment(  
  output_file = NULL,  
  include_values = FALSE,  
  max_size = 1024 * 1024  
)
```

Arguments

output_file Character. Path to save environment info. If NULL, returns as list.
include_values Logical. Whether to include object values (for small objects). Default FALSE.
max_size Numeric. Maximum object size (in bytes) to include values. Default 1MB.

Value

A list containing environment information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
x <- 1:10  
y <- "test"  
capture_environment("env_state.json")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

capture_hardware*Capture Hardware Information*

Description

Capture hardware specifications including CPU, RAM, and GPU information. Useful for documenting computational resources used in analysis.

Usage

```
capture_hardware(output_file = NULL)
```

Arguments

output_file Character. Path to save hardware info. If NULL, returns as list.

Value

List containing hardware information

Examples

```
## Not run:
capture_hardware("hardware_info.json")

## End(Not run)
```

capture_session *Capture Complete Session Information*

Description

Captures comprehensive R session information including R version, platform, loaded packages, system information, and locale settings.

Usage

```
capture_session(output_file = NULL, format = c("json", "yaml", "rds"))
```

Arguments

<code>output_file</code>	Character. Path to save the session info. If NULL, returns as list.
<code>format</code>	Character. Output format: "json", "yaml", or "rds". Default is "json".

Value

A list containing session information, invisibly returned

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Capture session info to JSON
capture_session("session_info.json")

# Capture and return as list
info <- capture_session()

## End(Not run)
```

```
capture_system_libraries
```

Capture System Libraries

Description

Capture version information for system libraries that R packages depend on (e.g., libcurl, libxml2, BLAS/LAPACK implementations)

Usage

```
capture_system_libraries(output_file = NULL)
```

Arguments

`output_file` Character. Path to save library info. If `NULL`, returns as list.

Value

List containing system library information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
capture_system_libraries("system_libs.json")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

```
compare_snapshots
```

Compare Two Workflow Snapshots

Description

Compare two Capsule snapshots to identify differences in packages, parameters, data files, and other tracked components

Usage

```
compare_snapshots(snapshot1, snapshot2, output_file)
```

Arguments

`snapshot1` Character. Name of first snapshot
`snapshot2` Character. Name of second snapshot
`output_file` Character. Path to save comparison report (required).

Value

List containing comparison results

Examples

```
## Not run:
compare_snapshots("analysis_v1", "analysis_v2",
                   output_file = tempfile(fileext = ".md"))

## End(Not run)
```

create_renv_lockfile *Create renv Lockfile*

Description

Generate an renv-compatible lockfile for package reproducibility

Usage

```
create_renv_lockfile(output_file, project_path = ".")
```

Arguments

<code>output_file</code>	Character. Path to save lockfile (required).
<code>project_path</code>	Character. Path to project. Default is current directory.

Value

Path to created lockfile

Examples

```
## Not run:
create_renv_lockfile(output_file = tempfile(fileext = ".lock"))

## End(Not run)
```

create_repro_report *Create Reproducibility Report*

Description

Generate a comprehensive markdown report documenting all reproducibility information

Usage

```
create_repro_report(  
  output_file,  
  analysis_name = NULL,  
  include_package_list = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

output_file Character. Path to save the report (required).
analysis_name Character. Name of the analysis
include_package_list
 Logical. Include full package list. Default TRUE.

Value

Path to generated report

Examples

```
## Not run:  
create_repro_report(tempfile(fileext = ".md"), "main_analysis")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

export_for_cwl *Generate CWL (Common Workflow Language) Input*

Description

Export Capsule data in YAML format suitable for CWL workflows

Usage

```
export_for_cwl(output_file)
```

Arguments

`output_file` Character. Path to save inputs (required).

Value

List containing input data

Examples

```
## Not run:
export_for_cwl(tempfile(fileext = ".yml"))

## End(Not run)
```

`export_for_nextflow` *Export Capsule Data for Nextflow*

Description

Export all Capsule tracking data in a format suitable for Nextflow pipelines

Usage

```
export_for_nextflow(output_file, include_checksums = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`output_file` Character. Path to save manifest (required).
`include_checksums` Logical. Include file checksums. Default TRUE.

Value

List containing manifest data

Examples

```
## Not run:
export_for_nextflow(tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

## End(Not run)
```

export_for_snakemake *Export Capsule Data for Snakemake*

Description

Export all Capsule tracking data in YAML format for Snakemake pipelines

Usage

```
export_for_snakemake(output_file, include_checksums = TRUE)
```

Arguments

output_file Character. Path to save config (required).
include_checksums
 Logical. Include file checksums. Default TRUE.

Value

List containing config data

Examples

```
## Not run:  
export_for_snakemake(tempfile(fileext = ".yaml"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

export_for_wdl *Create WDL (Workflow Description Language) Config*

Description

Export Capsule data in JSON format suitable for WDL workflows

Usage

```
export_for_wdl(output_file)
```

Arguments

output_file Character. Path to save config (required).

Value

List containing config data

Examples

```
## Not run:
export_for_wdl(tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

## End(Not run)
```

generate_docker *Generate Docker Configuration*

Description

Generate a Dockerfile and docker-compose.yml for complete environment reproducibility

Usage

```
generate_docker(
  output_dir,
  r_version = NULL,
  base_image = "rocker/r-ver",
  system_deps = NULL,
  project_name = "reproflo-project",
  include_rstudio = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>output_dir</code>	Character. Directory to save Docker files (required).
<code>r_version</code>	Character. R version to use. Default is current R version.
<code>base_image</code>	Character. Base Docker image. Default "rocker/r-ver"
<code>system_deps</code>	Character vector. System dependencies to install
<code>project_name</code>	Character. Name for the project
<code>include_rstudio</code>	Logical. Include RStudio Server. Default FALSE.

Value

List of generated file paths

Examples

```
## Not run:
generate_docker(
  output_dir = tempdir(),
  project_name = "my_analysis",
  system_deps = c("libcurl4-openssl-dev", "libxml2-dev")
)

## End(Not run)
```

```
generate_repro_script Generate Reproducible Script
```

Description

Generate an executable R script that includes all reproducibility information including package versions, seeds, parameters, and data verification.

Usage

```
generate_repro_script(  
  script_file,  
  source_script = NULL,  
  analysis_name = "analysis",  
  include_renv = TRUE,  
  include_data_check = TRUE,  
  include_session_info = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

```
script_file    Character. Path to save the generated script  
source_script  Character. Original analysis script to include  
analysis_name   Character. Name for this analysis  
include_renv    Logical. Include renv initialization. Default TRUE.  
include_data_check  
                  Logical. Include data verification. Default TRUE.  
include_session_info  
                  Logical. Include session info at end. Default TRUE.
```

Value

Path to generated script

Examples

```
## Not run:  
generate_repro_script(  
  "analysis_reproducible.R",  
  source_script = "analysis.R",  
  analysis_name = "main_analysis"  
)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

`generate_singularity` *Generate Singularity Definition File*

Description

Generate a Singularity/Aptainer definition file for HPC environments. Singularity is commonly used in HPC clusters where Docker is not available.

Usage

```
generate_singularity(
  output_dir,
  r_version = NULL,
  base_image = "rocker/r-ver",
  conda_env = NULL,
  system_deps = NULL,
  project_name = "reproflow-project"
)
```

Arguments

<code>output_dir</code>	Character. Directory to save Singularity files (required).
<code>r_version</code>	Character. R version to use. Default is current R version.
<code>base_image</code>	Character. Base Docker image. Default "rocker/r-ver"
<code>conda_env</code>	Character. Path to conda environment file. Optional.
<code>system_deps</code>	Character vector. System dependencies to install
<code>project_name</code>	Character. Name for the project

Value

List of generated file paths

Examples

```
## Not run:
generate_singularity(
  output_dir = tempdir(),
  project_name = "my_analysis",
  system_deps = c("samtools", "bwa")
)
## End(Not run)
```

get_conda_env_info *Get Conda Environment Info*

Description

Retrieve information about tracked conda environments

Usage

```
get_conda_env_info(  
  env_name = NULL,  
  registry_file = ".capsule/conda_registry.json"  
)
```

Arguments

env_name	Character. Specific environment name, or NULL for all
registry_file	Character. Path to conda registry

Value

List of environment information

get_data_lineage *Get Data Lineage*

Description

Retrieve complete lineage information for tracked data

Usage

```
get_data_lineage(  
  data_path = NULL,  
  registry_file = ".capsule/data_registry.json"  
)
```

Arguments

data_path	Character. Path to data file. If NULL, returns all lineage.
registry_file	Character. Path to provenance registry.

Value

List containing lineage information

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Get lineage for specific file
lineage <- get_data_lineage("data/mydata.csv")

# Get all lineage
all_lineage <- get_data_lineage()

## End(Not run)
```

get_param_history *Get Parameter History*

Description

Retrieve parameter tracking history

Usage

```
get_param_history(
  analysis_name = NULL,
  registry_file = ".capsule/param_registry.json"
)
```

Arguments

<code>analysis_name</code>	Character. Specific analysis name, or NULL for all
<code>registry_file</code>	Character. Path to parameter registry

Value

List of parameter records

get_reference_info *Get Reference Genome Information*

Description

Retrieve information about tracked reference genomes

Usage

```
get_reference_info(
  genome_build = NULL,
  registry_file = ".capsule/reference_registry.json"
)
```

Arguments

genome_build Character. Specific genome build, or NULL for all
registry_file Character. Path to reference registry

Value

List of reference genome information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Get all tracked references  
get_reference_info()  
  
# Get specific reference  
get_reference_info("GRCh38")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

get_seed_history *Get Seed History*

Description

Retrieve seed tracking history

Usage

```
get_seed_history(  
  analysis_name = NULL,  
  registry_file = ".capsule/seed_registry.json"  
)
```

Arguments

analysis_name Character. Specific analysis name, or NULL for all
registry_file Character. Path to seed registry

Value

List of seed records

get_tool_versions *Get External Tool Versions*

Description

Retrieve version information for previously tracked external tools

Usage

```
get_tool_versions(  
    tool_name = NULL,  
    registry_file = ".capsule/tools_registry.json"  
)
```

Arguments

tool_name	Character. Specific tool name, or NULL for all tools
registry_file	Character. Path to tools registry

Value

List of tool version information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Get all tracked tools  
get_tool_versions()  
  
# Get specific tool  
get_tool_versions("samtools")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

init_capsule *Initialize Capsule in Project*

Description

Initialize Capsule reproducibility framework in the current project. Creates necessary directory structure and configuration files.

Usage

```
init_capsule(  
  project_path = ".",  
  use_renv = TRUE,  
  use_git = TRUE,  
  create_gitignore = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

project_path	Character. Path to project directory. Default is current directory.
use_renv	Logical. Initialize renv for package management. Default TRUE.
use_git	Logical. Initialize git if not already present. Default TRUE.
create_gitignore	Logical. Create/update .gitignore. Default TRUE.

Value

Invisible NULL

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Initialize Capsule in current directory  
init_capsule()  
  
# Initialize without renv  
init_capsule(use_renv = FALSE)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

list_reference_sources

List Common Reference Genome Sources

Description

Display a helpful list of common reference genome sources

Usage

```
list_reference_sources()
```

Value

No return value, called for side effects (displays reference sources)

Examples

```
list_reference_sources()
```

list_snapshots	<i>List Available Snapshots</i>
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Description

List all available snapshots with basic metadata

Usage

```
list_snapshots()
```

Value

Data frame with snapshot information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
list_snapshots()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

restore_conda_env	<i>Restore Conda Environment</i>
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Description

Restore a conda environment from a previously exported environment file

Usage

```
restore_conda_env(  
  env_file = "conda_environment.yml",  
  env_name = NULL,  
  use_mamba = FALSE,  
  force = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

<code>env_file</code>	Character. Path to environment YAML file. Default "conda_environment.yml"
<code>env_name</code>	Character. Name for the new environment. If NULL, uses name from file.
<code>use_mamba</code>	Logical. Use mamba instead of conda. Default FALSE.
<code>force</code>	Logical. Remove existing environment if it exists. Default FALSE.

Value

Logical. TRUE if successful, FALSE otherwise

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Restore environment from file  
restore_conda_env("conda_environment.yml")  
  
# Use mamba for faster installation  
restore_conda_env("conda_environment.yml", use_mamba = TRUE)  
  
# Force recreate if exists  
restore_conda_env("conda_environment.yml", force = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

restore_seed*Restore Random Seed*

Description

Restore a previously tracked random seed

Usage

```
restore_seed(analysis_name, registry_file = ".capsule/seed_registry.json")
```

Arguments

analysis_name Character. Name of analysis to restore seed from
registry_file Character. Path to seed registry

Value

The seed value (invisibly)

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Restore previously tracked seed  
restore_seed("simulation_1")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

set_seed*Set and Track Random Seed***Description**

Set a random seed and track it for reproducibility. Note: This function is explicitly designed to set random seeds as requested by the user.

Usage

```
set_seed(
  seed = NULL,
  kind = NULL,
  normal.kind = NULL,
  sample.kind = NULL,
  analysis_name = NULL,
  registry_file,
  set_seed = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

<code>seed</code>	Numeric. Random seed to set. If <code>NULL</code> , generates random seed.
<code>kind</code>	Character. RNG kind (see <code>?set.seed</code>). Default <code>NULL</code> uses current.
<code>normal.kind</code>	Character. Normal RNG kind. Default <code>NULL</code> uses current.
<code>sample.kind</code>	Character. Sample RNG kind. Default <code>NULL</code> uses current.
<code>analysis_name</code>	Character. Name to associate with this seed
<code>registry_file</code>	Character. Path to seed registry (required).
<code>set_seed</code>	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , actually sets the seed. If <code>FALSE</code> , only tracks it. Default <code>TRUE</code> .

Value

The seed value (invisibly)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Set and track a specific seed
set_seed(12345, analysis_name = "simulation_1",
         registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

# Generate and track a random seed
set_seed(analysis_name = "bootstrap_analysis",
         registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

## End(Not run)
```

snapshot_packages *Track Package Versions and Dependencies*

Description

Creates a comprehensive snapshot of all installed packages, their versions, dependencies, and sources for reproducibility.

Usage

```
snapshot_packages(  
  output_file = NULL,  
  include_dependencies = TRUE,  
  only_attached = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

`output_file` Character. Path to save package info. If NULL, returns as list.
`include_dependencies`
 Logical. Include dependency tree. Default TRUE.
`only_attached` Logical. Only track attached packages. Default FALSE.

Value

A list containing package information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Track all installed packages  
snapshot_packages("package_manifest.json")  
  
# Track only attached packages  
snapshot_packages("packages.json", only_attached = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

`snapshot_workflow` *Create Complete Workflow Snapshot*

Description

Create a comprehensive snapshot of the entire workflow including session info, packages, data, parameters, and generate all reproducibility artifacts.

Usage

```
snapshot_workflow(
  snapshot_name = NULL,
  analysis_name = "analysis",
  source_script = NULL,
  description = NULL,
  generate_docker = TRUE,
  generate_script = TRUE,
  generate_report = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

<code>snapshot_name</code>	Character. Name for this snapshot. Default is timestamp.
<code>analysis_name</code>	Character. Name of the analysis
<code>source_script</code>	Character. Path to main analysis script
<code>description</code>	Character. Description of this workflow
<code>generate_docker</code>	Logical. Generate Docker configuration. Default TRUE.
<code>generate_script</code>	Logical. Generate reproducible script. Default TRUE.
<code>generate_report</code>	Logical. Generate reproducibility report. Default TRUE.

Value

List containing paths to generated files

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Create complete workflow snapshot
snapshot_workflow(
  snapshot_name = "analysis_v1",
  analysis_name = "main_analysis",
  source_script = "analysis.R",
  description = "Initial analysis run"
```

```
)  
## End(Not run)
```

track_conda_env	<i>Track Conda Environment</i>
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Description

Export and track a conda environment specification for reproducibility. Works with both conda and mamba.

Usage

```
track_conda_env(env_name = NULL, output_file, use_mamba = FALSE, registry_file)
```

Arguments

env_name	Character. Name of conda environment. If NULL, uses active environment.
output_file	Character. Path to save environment file (required).
use_mamba	Logical. Use mamba instead of conda. Default FALSE.
registry_file	Character. Path to conda registry (required).

Value

List containing environment information

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Track currently active conda environment  
track_conda_env(output_file = tempfile(fileext = ".yml"),  
                 registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))  
  
# Track specific environment  
track_conda_env(env_name = "bioinfo_env",  
                 output_file = tempfile(fileext = ".yml"),  
                 registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))  
  
# Use mamba instead  
track_conda_env(use_mamba = TRUE,  
                 output_file = tempfile(fileext = ".yml"),  
                 registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

track_data	<i>Track Data Provenance</i>
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Description

Records comprehensive provenance information for data files including checksums, sources, timestamps, and metadata. Supports fast hashing for large files.

Usage

```
track_data(
  data_path,
  source = c("downloaded", "generated", "manual", "reference", "other"),
  source_url = NULL,
  description = NULL,
  metadata = NULL,
  fast_hash = TRUE,
  size_threshold_gb = 1,
  registry_file
)
```

Arguments

<code>data_path</code>	Character. Path to data file or directory.
<code>source</code>	Character. Source of the data (e.g., "downloaded", "generated", "manual", "reference").
<code>source_url</code>	Character. URL if data was downloaded. Optional.
<code>description</code>	Character. Description of the data. Optional.
<code>metadata</code>	List. Additional metadata. Optional.
<code>fast_hash</code>	Logical. Use faster xxHash for large files (>1GB). Default TRUE.
<code>size_threshold_gb</code>	Numeric. Size threshold (GB) for using fast hash. Default 1.
<code>registry_file</code>	Character. Path to provenance registry (required).

Value

A list containing data provenance information

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Track a downloaded dataset
track_data("data/mydata.csv",
  source = "downloaded",
  source_url = "https://example.com/data.csv",
  description = "Customer data from API",
```

```
    registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json")
  )

# Track generated data
track_data("results/simulation.rds",
  source = "generated",
  description = "Monte Carlo simulation results",
  registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json")
)

# Track large file with fast hashing
track_data("data/large_file.bam",
  source = "generated",
  fast_hash = TRUE,
  registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json")
)

## End(Not run)
```

track_external_tools *Track External Bioinformatics Tools*

Description

Track versions of external command-line tools commonly used in bioinformatics pipelines (e.g., samtools, STAR, BWA, etc.)

Usage

```
track_external_tools(tools = NULL, registry_file)
```

Arguments

tools Character vector of tool names to track. If NULL, tracks common tools.
registry_file Character. Path to tools registry. Default ".capsule/tools_registry.json"

Value

List containing tool version information

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Track common bioinformatics tools
track_external_tools(registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

# Track specific tools
track_external_tools(c("samtools", "bwa", "STAR"),
  registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

## End(Not run)
```

<code>track_params</code>	<i>Track Analysis Parameters</i>
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Description

Record analysis parameters and configuration settings for reproducibility

Usage

```
track_params(params, analysis_name = NULL, description = NULL, registry_file)
```

Arguments

- `params` Named list of parameters to track
- `analysis_name` Character. Name/identifier for this analysis
- `description` Character. Description of what these parameters control
- `registry_file` Character. Path to parameter registry (required).

Value

List containing parameter information

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Track model parameters
params <- list(
  learning_rate = 0.01,
  epochs = 100,
  batch_size = 32,
  model_type = "neural_network"
)
track_params(params, "model_training", "Deep learning model parameters",
            registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"))

## End(Not run)
```

<code>track_reference_genome</code>	<i>Track Reference Genome</i>
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Description

Track reference genome files, annotations, and indices for reproducibility. This is critical for genomics/transcriptomics pipelines where the exact reference version affects results.

Usage

```
track_reference_genome(
  fasta_path,
  gtf_path = NULL,
  gff_path = NULL,
  genome_build = NULL,
  species = NULL,
  source_url = NULL,
  indices = list(),
  metadata = list(),
  registry_file,
  data_registry_file
)
```

Arguments

fasta_path	Character. Path to reference genome FASTA file
gtf_path	Character. Path to GTF annotation file. Optional.
gff_path	Character. Path to GFF annotation file. Optional.
genome_build	Character. Genome build identifier (e.g., "GRCh38", "mm10")
species	Character. Species name (e.g., "Homo sapiens", "Mus musculus")
source_url	Character. URL where reference was downloaded from
indices	Named list. Paths to aligner indices (STAR, BWA, etc.)
metadata	List. Additional metadata about the reference
registry_file	Character. Path to reference registry (required).
data_registry_file	Character. Path to data registry for tracking files (required).

Value

List containing reference genome information

Examples

```
## Not run:
track_reference_genome(
  fasta_path = "ref/GRCh38.fa",
  gtf_path = "ref/gencode.v38.annotation.gtf",
  genome_build = "GRCh38",
  species = "Homo sapiens",
  source_url = "https://www.gencodegenes.org/",
  indices = list(
    star = "ref/STAR_index/",
    bwa = "ref/bwa_index/GRCh38"
  ),
  registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json"),
  data_registry_file = tempfile(fileext = ".json")
```

```
)  
## End(Not run)
```

verify_data*Verify Data Integrity*

Description

Verify that tracked data files have not been modified by comparing checksums

Usage

```
verify_data(data_path = NULL, registry_file = ".capsule/data_registry.json")
```

Arguments

data_path Character. Path to specific file, or NULL to verify all tracked files.
registry_file Character. Path to provenance registry.

Value

Logical. TRUE if data is unchanged, FALSE otherwise

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Verify specific file  
verify_data("data/mydata.csv")  
  
# Verify all tracked files  
verify_data()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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