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.name_to_inspect	<i>constant mapping between component names and inspections</i>
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## Description

constant mapping between component names and inspections

## Usage

.name\_to\_inspect

## Format

An object of class list of length 7.

acs\_conf

*American Community Survey confidential microdata (with weights)*

## Description

An extract constructed from the 2019 American Community Survey containing a survey sample of n = 1500 Nebraska respondents, with survey weights included.

## Usage

`acs_conf`

## Format

**acs\_conf:**

A data frame with 1,500 rows and 12 columns:

**county** fct, county

**gq** fct, group quarter kind

**sex** fct, sex

**marst** fct, marital status

**hcovany** fct, health insurance status

**empstat** fct, employment status; contains empty levels.

**classwkr** fct, employment kind (ex: self-employed, etc.); contains "N/A" levels.

**age** dbl, age (in years)

**famsize** dbl, household/family size

**transit\_time** dbl, transit time to work (in minutes)

**inctot** dbl, annual income; contains missing values

**wgt** dbl, survey weight

## Details

Original data source: Steven Ruggles, Sarah Flood, Matthew Sobek, Daniel Backman, Annie Chen, Grace Cooper, Stephanie Richards, Renae Rogers, and Megan Schouweiler. IPUMS USA: Version 15.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.18128/D010.V15.0>

## Source

<https://usa.ipums.org/usa/>

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acs\_conf\_nw

*American Community Survey confidential microdata (without weights)*

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## Description

An extract constructed from the 2019 American Community Survey containing a survey sample of n = 1500 Nebraska respondents, with survey weights included.

## Usage

acs\_conf\_nw

## Format

**acs\_conf\_nw:**

A data frame with 1,500 rows and 11 columns:

**county** fct, county

**gq** fct, group quarter kind

**sex** fct, sex

**marst** fct, marital status

**hcovany** fct, health insurance status

**empstat** fct, employment status; contains empty levels.

**classwkr** fct, employment kind (ex: self-employed, etc.); contains "N/A" levels.

**age** dbl, age (in years)

**famsize** dbl, household/family size

**transit\_time** dbl, transit time to work (in minutes)

**inctot** dbl, annual income; contains missing values

## Details

Original data source: Steven Ruggles, Sarah Flood, Matthew Sobek, Daniel Backman, Annie Chen, Grace Cooper, Stephanie Richards, Renae Rogers, and Megan Schouweiler. IPUMS USA: Version 15.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.18128/D010.V15.0>

## Source

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**acs\_start***American Community Survey starting microdata (with weights)*

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**Description**

An extract constructed from the 2019 American Community Survey containing a survey sample of n = 500 Nebraska respondents, with survey weights included.

**Usage**

```
acs_start
```

**Format**

**acs\_start:**

A data frame with 500 rows and 5 columns:

**county** fct, county

**gq** fct, group quarter kind

**sex** fct, sex

**marst** fct, marital status

**wgt** dbl, survey weight

**Details**

Original data source: Steven Ruggles, Sarah Flood, Matthew Sobek, Daniel Backman, Annie Chen, Grace Cooper, Stephanie Richards, Renae Rogers, and Megan Schouweiler. IPUMS USA: Version 15.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.18128/D010.V15.0>

**Source**

<https://usa.ipums.org/usa/>

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**acs\_start\_nw***American Community Survey starting microdata (without weights)*

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**Description**

An extract constructed from the 2019 American Community Survey containing a survey sample of n = 500 Nebraska respondents, with survey weights included.

**Usage**

```
acs_start_nw
```

## Format

acs\_start\_nw:

A data frame with 500 rows and 4 columns:

**county** fct, county

**gq** fct, group quarter kind

**sex** fct, sex

**marst** fct, marital status

## Details

Original data source: Steven Ruggles, Sarah Flood, Matthew Sobek, Daniel Backman, Annie Chen, Grace Cooper, Stephanie Richards, Renae Rogers, and Megan Schouweiler. IPUMS USA: Version 15.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.18128/D010.V15.0>

## Source

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add\_noise\_cat\_unif     *Inject noise into a categorical random variable by mixing a sample of uniform records into the predictions.*

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## Description

Inject noise into a categorical random variable by mixing a sample of uniform records into the predictions.

## Usage

```
add_noise_cat_unif(  
  model,  
  new_data,  
  conf_model_data,  
  outcome_var,  
  col_schema,  
  pred,  
  unif_prop,  
  resample_props = NULL,  
  observed_levels = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>model</code>	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from library( <code>parsnip</code> )
<code>new_data</code>	A data frame used to generate predictions
<code>conf_model_data</code>	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
<code>outcome_var</code>	A string name representing the outcome variable
<code>col_schema</code>	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
<code>pred</code>	A vector of values predicted by the model
<code>unif_prop</code>	A proportion of records to resample with uniform noise
<code>resample_props</code>	An optional named vector of probabilities for resampling, defaults to uniform over all levels supplied in <code>col_schema</code> .
<code>observed_levels</code>	An optional Boolean to only resample from observed levels in the confidential data.

## Value

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

## Examples

```
conf_model_data <- mtcars |>
  dplyr::mutate(gear = factor(.data[["gear"]])) 

col_schema <- list(
  "dtype" = "fct",
  "levels" = c("3", "4", "5"),
  "na_prop" = 0
)

add_noise_cat_unif(
  model = conf_model_data,
  new_data = NULL,
  conf_model_data = NULL,
  outcome_var = "gear",
  col_schema = col_schema,
  pred = factor(c(rep("3", 10), rep("4", 10), rep("5", 10))),
  unif_prop = 0.5
)
```

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```
add_noise_disc_gaussian
```

*Add discrete normal noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance*

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## Description

Add discrete normal noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance

## Usage

```
add_noise_disc_gaussian(  
  model,  
  new_data,  
  conf_model_data,  
  outcome_var,  
  col_schema,  
  pred,  
  variance = NULL,  
  rho = NULL,  
  sensitivity = NULL,  
  increment = 1  
)
```

## Arguments

model	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from <code>library(parsnip)</code>
new_data	A data frame used to generate predictions
conf_model_data	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
outcome_var	A string name representing the outcome variable
col_schema	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
pred	A vector of values predicted by the model
variance	float, sampling variance for additive noise
rho	float, alternative privacy loss budget prescribed by the Gaussian mechanism under rho-zero-concentrated differential privacy.
sensitivity	float, alternative sample sensitivity prescribed by the Gaussian mechanism under rho-zero-concentrated differential privacy.
increment	Numeric indicating space between discrete noise samples, defaults to 1. Note that this does not impact the noise sampling variance, as the increment rescales noise distributions specified by sampling variance.

## Value

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

## Examples

```
add_noise_disc_gaussian(
  model = NULL,
  new_data = NULL,
  conf_model_data = NULL,
  outcome_var = NULL,
  col_schema = NULL,
  pred = 1:100,
  variance = 3
)
```

### *add\_noise\_disc\_laplace*

*Add discrete Laplace noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance*

## Description

Add discrete Laplace noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance

## Usage

```
add_noise_disc_laplace(
  model,
  new_data,
  conf_model_data,
  outcome_var,
  col_schema,
  pred,
  variance = NULL,
  epsilon = NULL,
  sensitivity = NULL,
  increment = 1
)
```

## Arguments

<code>model</code>	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from <code>library(parsnip)</code>
<code>new_data</code>	A data frame used to generate predictions
<code>conf_model_data</code>	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
<code>outcome_var</code>	A string name representing the outcome variable
<code>col_schema</code>	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
<code>pred</code>	A vector of values predicted by the model
<code>variance</code>	float, sampling variance for additive noise

<code>epsilon</code>	float, alternative privacy loss budget prescribed by the Laplace mechanism under epsilon differential privacy.
<code>sensitivity</code>	float, alternative sample sensitivity prescribed by the Laplace mechanism under epsilon differential privacy.
<code>increment</code>	Numeric indicating space between discrete noise samples, defaults to 1. Note that this does not impact the noise sampling variance, as the increment rescales noise distributions specified by sampling variance.

**Value**

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

**Examples**

```
add_noise_disc_laplace(
  model = NULL,
  new_data = NULL,
  conf_model_data = NULL,
  outcome_var = NULL,
  col_schema = NULL,
  pred = 1:100,
  variance = 3
)
```

<code>add_noise_gaussian</code>	<i>Add normal noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance</i>
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**Description**

Add normal noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance

**Usage**

```
add_noise_gaussian(
  model,
  new_data,
  conf_model_data,
  outcome_var,
  col_schema,
  pred,
  variance = NULL,
  rho = NULL,
  sensitivity = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model</code>	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from <code>library(parsnip)</code>
<code>new_data</code>	A data frame used to generate predictions
<code>conf_model_data</code>	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
<code>outcome_var</code>	A string name representing the outcome variable
<code>col_schema</code>	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
<code>pred</code>	A vector of values predicted by the model
<code>variance</code>	Sampling variance for additive noise
<code>rho</code>	Alternative privacy loss budget prescribed by the Gaussian mechanism under rho-zero-concentrated differential privacy.
<code>sensitivity</code>	Alternative sample sensitivity prescribed by the Gaussian mechanism under rho-zero-concentrated differential privacy.

**Value**

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

**Examples**

```
add_noise_gaussian(
  model = NULL,
  new_data = NULL,
  conf_model_data = NULL,
  outcome_var = NULL,
  col_schema = NULL,
  pred = 1:100,
  variance = 3
)
```

<code>add_noise_kde</code>	<i>Add normal noise to predicted values with variances calculated for ntiles using Gaussian kernel density estimators</i>
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**Description**

Add normal noise to predicted values with variances calculated for ntiles using Gaussian kernel density estimators

**Usage**

```
add_noise_kde(
  model,
  new_data,
  conf_model_data,
  outcome_var,
  col_schema,
  pred,
  exclusions = NULL,
  n_ntiles = NULL,
  obs_per_ntile = NULL,
  ties_method = "collapse",
  sd_scale = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

model	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from <code>library(parsnip)</code>
new_data	A data frame used to generate predictions
conf_model_data	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
outcome_var	A string name representing the outcome variable
col_schema	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
pred	A vector of values predicted by the model
exclusions	Numeric values that should not receive extra noise
n_ntiles	The number of ntiles
obs_per_ntile	A numeric for the minimum number of observations to be in an ntile. Cannot be used in conjunction with the <code>n_ntiles</code> argument.
ties_method	The ntiles approach to adding noise requires a one-to-one mapping from model-generated values to ntiles in the original data. The methods "collapse", "random", and "exclusions" deal with situations where the ntiles lack unique bounds. "collapse" collapses ntile breaks to preserve the one-to-one relationship; "random" adds a small random perturbation to the derived boundaries; finally, "exclusions" treats ntile tie values as derived exclusions.
sd_scale	float, a positive number to scale the estimated KDE variance. Defaults to 1.0

**Value**

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

**Examples**

```
add_noise_kde(
  model = NULL,
  new_data = tibble::tibble(x = 1:100),
  conf_model_data = tibble::tibble(x = 1:100),
```

```

outcome_var = "x",
col_schema = NULL,
pred = 1:100,
n_ntiles = 4
)

```

`add_noise_laplace`

*Add Laplace noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance*

## Description

Add Laplace noise with mean 0 to predicted values with constant variance

## Usage

```

add_noise_laplace(
  model,
  new_data,
  conf_model_data,
  outcome_var,
  col_schema,
  pred,
  variance = NULL,
  epsilon = NULL,
  sensitivity = NULL
)

```

## Arguments

<code>model</code>	A <code>model_spec</code> or a list of <code>model_specs</code> from <code>library(parsnip)</code>
<code>new_data</code>	A data frame used to generate predictions
<code>conf_model_data</code>	A data frame for estimating the predictive model
<code>outcome_var</code>	A string name representing the outcome variable
<code>col_schema</code>	A list of column schema specifications for the new variable
<code>pred</code>	A vector of values predicted by the model
<code>variance</code>	Sampling variance for additive noise
<code>epsilon</code>	Alternative privacy loss budget prescribed by the Laplace mechanism under epsilon differential privacy.
<code>sensitivity</code>	Alternative sample sensitivity prescribed by the Laplace mechanism under epsilon differential privacy.

**Value**

A numeric vector with noise added to each prediction

**Examples**

```
add_noise_laplace(
  model = NULL,
  new_data = NULL,
  conf_model_data = NULL,
  outcome_var = NULL,
  col_schema = NULL,
  pred = 1:100,
  variance = 3
)
```

add_sequence_factor	<i>Add to visit sequence for factor variables</i>
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**Description**

Add to visit sequence for factor variables

**Usage**

```
add_sequence_factor(roadmap, ..., method = c("entropy", "gini"))
```

**Arguments**

roadmap	A roadmap object
...	<tidy-select> One or more unquoted expressions separated by commas. Variable names can be used as if they were positions in the data frame, so expressions like x:y can be used to select a range of variables.
method	A quoted name for the method used to sort the visit_sequence. Current methods include "entropy" and "gini".

**Value**

An updated visit\_sequence

**Examples**

```
roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
) |>
  add_sequence_factor(dplyr::where(is.factor), method = "gini")
```

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`add_sequence_manual`    *Add to visit sequence using a manual method*

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## Description

Add to visit sequence using a manual method

## Usage

```
add_sequence_manual(roadmap, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>roadmap</code>	A <code>roadmap</code> object.
...	<tidy-select> One or more unquoted expressions separated by commas. Variable names can be used as if they were positions in the data frame, so expressions like <code>x:y</code> can be used to select a range of variables.

## Value

An updated `roadmap` object.

## Examples

```
roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
) |>
  add_sequence_manual(
    c("inctot", "hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr", "age", "famsize",
      "transit_time")
  )
```

---

`add_sequence_numeric`    *Add to visit sequence for numeric variables*

---

## Description

Add to visit sequence for numeric variables

**Usage**

```
add_sequence_numeric(
  roadmap,
  ...,
  method = c("correlation", "proportion", "weighted total", "absolute weighted total",
            "weighted absolute total"),
  cor_var = NULL,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  cor_use = "everything"
)
```

**Arguments**

roadmap	A roadmap object
...	<tidy-select> One or more unquoted expressions separated by commas. Variable names can be used as if they were positions in the data frame, so expressions like x:y can be used to select a range of variables.
method	A quoted name for the method used to sort the visit_sequence
cor_var	A numeric variable for the correlation method
na.rm	Boolean that if TRUE, removes NA values from computations
cor_use	A string correlation data method passed to stats::cor if using. If na.rm == TRUE then defaults to complete.obs. See ?stats::cor for more options.

**Value**

An updated visit\_sequence

**Examples**

```
roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
) |>
  add_sequence_numeric(
    dplyr::where(is.numeric),
    method = "correlation",
    cor_var = "age",
    na.rm = TRUE
)
```

**collapse\_na**

*Collapse data frames with \_NA variables to coerce related variables to include NA*

**Description**

Collapse data frames with \_NA variables to coerce related variables to include NA

**Usage**

```
collapse_na(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame with columns ending in _NA
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**Value**

A data frame with no \_NA columns and NA values

**Examples**

```
example_na_expanded <- expand_na(data = example_na)
collapse_na(data = example_na_expanded)
```

**constraints**

*Create a constraints object*

**Description**

Create a constraints object

**Usage**

```
constraints(
  schema,
  constraints_df_num = NULL,
  constraints_df_cat = NULL,
  max_z_num = 0,
  max_z_cat = 0
)
```

## Arguments

<code>schema</code>	A schema object
<code>constraints_df_num</code>	A specially formatted data frame with constraints to be imposed during the synthesis process. See examples for formatting.
<code>constraints_df_cat</code>	A specifically formatted data frame with constraints to be imposed during the synthesis process.
<code>max_z_num</code>	Numeric vector(s) for the number of times a value should be resampled before hardbounding if it violates a constraint.
<code>max_z_cat</code>	Numeric vector(s) for the number of times a value should be resampled before hardbounding if it violates a constraint.

## Value

A constraints object.

## Examples

```
constraints(
  schema = schema(
    conf_data = mtcars |> dplyr::mutate(vs = factor(vs)),
    start_data = dplyr::select(mtcars, cyl)
  ),
  constraints_df_num = tribble(
    ~var, ~min, ~max, ~conditions,
    # ensure all mpg values are greater than 0
    "mpg", 0, Inf, "TRUE",
    # ensure when cyl == 6, mpg is less than 15
    "mpg", -Inf, 15, "cyl == 6",
    # ensure disp is always between 0 and 150
    "disp", 0, 150, "TRUE"
  ),
  constraints_df_cat = tribble(
    ~var, ~allowed, ~forbidden, ~conditions,
    # ensure vs != 1 when gear >= 4
    "vs", NA, 1, "gear >= 5",
    # ensure vs == 1 when gear >= 4
    "vs", 0, NA, "gear == 4"
  )
)
```

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<code>constraints_api</code>	<i>Add, update, or reset a constraints object within an existing roadmap.</i>
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## Description

Add, update, or reset a constraints object within an existing roadmap.

## Usage

```
add_constraints(roadmap, constraints)

update_constraints(roadmap, ...)

reset_constraints(roadmap)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
constraints	A constraints object.
...	Optional named parameters passed to constraints().

## Value

- A new roadmap object.
- A roadmap object with added constraints.
- A roadmap object with updated constraints.
- A roadmap object with reset constraints.

## Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

constraints_df_num <-
  tibble::tribble(~var, ~min, ~max, ~conditions,
    "transit_time", 0, 300, "TRUE")

constraints <- constraints(
  schema = rm[["schema"]],
  constraints_df_num = constraints_df_num,
  max_z_num = 0
)

rm |>
  add_constraints(constraints)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)
```

```

constraints_df_num <-
  tibble::tribble(~var, ~min, ~max, ~conditions,
                 "transit_time", 0, 300, "TRUE")

constraints <- constraints(
  schema = rm[["schema"]],
  constraints_df_num = constraints_df_num,
  max_z_num = 0
)

rm |>
  update_constraints(constraints)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

constraints_df_num <-
  tibble::tribble(~var, ~min, ~max, ~conditions,
                 "transit_time", 0, 300, "TRUE")

constraints <- constraints(
  schema = rm[["schema"]],
  constraints_df_num = constraints_df_num,
  max_z_num = 0
)

rm <- rm |>
  add_constraints(constraints)

reset_constraints(rm)

```

**construct\_extractors** *Construct a list of extractors for parsnip models*

## Description

Construct a list of extractors for parsnip models

## Usage

```
construct_extractors(
  roadmap,
  default_extractor = NULL,
  custom_extractors = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>roadmap</code>	A roadmap object
<code>default_extractor</code>	An extractor from library( <code>parsnip</code> )
<code>custom_extractors</code>	A formatted list of extractors

**Value**

A named list of extractors

**Examples**

```
# construct_extractors() can create a sequence of extractors using a fully-default
# approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach. All approaches
# require a roadmap and extractors.

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

# Fully-default approach

construct_extractors(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_extractor = parsnip::extract_fit_engine
)

# Hybrid approach

construct_extractors(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_extractor = parsnip::extract_fit_engine,
  custom_extractors = list(
    list(vars = "hcovany", extractor = parsnip::extract_parameter_dials)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_extractors(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_extractors = list(
    list(
      vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"),
      extractor = parsnip::extract_fit_engine
    ),
    list(
      vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"),
      extractor = parsnip::extract_parameter_dials
    )
  )
)
```

```

    )
)
)
```

construct_models	<i>Construct a list of models for synthesis</i>
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## Description

Construct a list of models for synthesis

## Usage

```
construct_models(
  roadmap,
  default_regression_model = NULL,
  default_classification_model = NULL,
  custom_models = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
default_regression_model	A parsnip model object used for regression in numeric outcome variables
default_classification_model	A parsnip model object used for classification in categorical outcome variables
custom_models	A formatted list with parsnip model objects explicitly paired with every variable in the visit_sequence

## Value

A named list of models

## Examples

```
# construct_models() can create a sequence of models using a fully-default
# approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach. All approaches
# require a roadmap and model objects.

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
```

```

parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

lm_mod <- parsnip::linear_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("lm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

# Fully-default approach

construct_models(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_model = lm_mod,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class
)

# Hybrid approach

construct_models(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_model = lm_mod,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  custom_models = list(
    list(vars = "age", model = lm_mod)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_models(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_models = list(
    list(vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"), model = rpart_mod_class),
    list(vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"), model = rpart_mod_reg)
  )
)

```

**construct\_noise**      *Construct a list of noise objects for synthesis*

## Description

Construct a list of noise objects for synthesis

## Usage

```
construct_noise(
```

```
    roadmap,  
    default_regression_noise = NULL,  
    default_classification_noise = NULL,  
    custom_noise = NULL  
)
```

### Arguments

```
roadmap      A roadmap object  
default_regression_noise  
            A noise function for regression models  
default_classification_noise  
            A noise function for classification models  
custom_noise   A formatted list of noise functions
```

### Value

A named list of noise

### Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(  
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,  
  start_data = acs_start_nw  
)  
  
noise_defaults <- construct_noise(  
  roadmap = rm,  
  default_regression_noise = noise(),  
  default_classification_noise = noise()  
)  
  
# construct_noise() can create a sequence of noise objects using a  
# fully-default approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach.  
# All approaches require a roadmap and noise objects.  
  
rm <- roadmap(  
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,  
  start_data = acs_start_nw  
)  
  
noise_reg <- noise(  
  add_noise = TRUE,  
  mode = "regression",  
  noise_fun = add_noise_gaussian  
)  
  
noise_class <- noise(  
  add_noise = TRUE,  
  mode = "classification",
```

```

noise_fun = add_noise_cat_unif
)

# Fully-default approach

construct_noise(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_noise = noise_reg,
  default_classification_noise = noise_class
)

# Hybrid approach

noise_reg2 <- noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  mode = "regression",
  noise_fun = add_noise_disc_gaussian
)

construct_noise(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_noise = noise_reg,
  default_classification_noise = noise_class,
  custom_noise = list(
    list(vars = "age", noise = noise_reg2)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_noise(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_noise = list(
    list(vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"), noise = noise_class),
    list(vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"), noise = noise_reg)
  )
)

```

**construct\_recipes***Construct a sequence of model recipes for sequential synthesis***Description**

Construct a sequence of model recipes for sequential synthesis

**Usage**

```
construct_recipes(
  roadmap,
```

```

    default_regression_steps = NULL,
    default_classification_steps = NULL,
    custom_steps = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
default_regression_steps	A list containing one or more <code>recipes::step_*</code> ()
default_classification_steps	A list containing one or more <code>recipes::step_*</code> ()
custom_steps	A list of lists containing one or more <code>recipes::step_*</code> ()

### Value

A list of formulas

### Examples

```

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

construct_recipes(rm)

# construct_recipes() can create a sequence of recipes using a fully-default
# approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach. All approaches
# require a roadmap and steps.

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

step1 <- function(x) {
  x |>
    recipes::step_center(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "center")
}

# Fully-default approach

construct_recipes(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_steps = step1,
  default_classification_steps = step1
)

# Hybrid approach

```

```

step2 <- function(x) {
  x |>
    recipes::step_scale(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "scale")
}

construct_recipes(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_steps = step1,
  default_classification_steps = step1,
  custom_steps = list(
    list(vars = "age", step = step2)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_recipes(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_steps = list(
    list(vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"), step = step1),
    list(vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"), step = step1)
  )
)

```

**construct\_samplers**      *Construct a list of samplers for synthesis*

## Description

Construct a list of samplers for synthesis

## Usage

```
construct_samplers(
  roadmap,
  default_regression_sampler = NULL,
  default_classification_sampler = NULL,
  custom_samplers = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
default_regression_sampler	A sampler function for regression models
default_classification_sampler	A sampler function for classification models

custom\_samplers  
A formatted list of sampler functions

**Value**

A named list of samplers

**Examples**

```
# construct_samplers() can create a sequence of samplers using a fully-default
# approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach. All approaches
# require a roadmap and samplers.

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

# Fully-default approach

construct_samplers(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_lm,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

# Hybrid approach

construct_samplers(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_lm,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart,
  custom_samplers = list(
    list(vars = "hcovany", sampler = sample_rpart)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_samplers(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_samplers = list(
    list(vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"), sampler = sample_rpart),
    list(vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"), sampler = sample_lm)
  )
)
```

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<code>construct_tuners</code>	<i>Construct a list of tuning grids for hyperparameter tuning predictive models</i>
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## Description

Construct a list of tuning grids for hyperparameter tuning predictive models

## Usage

```
construct_tuners(
  roadmap,
  default_regression_tuner = NULL,
  default_classification_tuner = NULL,
  custom_tuners = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>roadmap</code>	A roadmap object
<code>default_regression_tuner</code>	A tuner.
<code>default_classification_tuner</code>	A tuner.
<code>custom_tuners</code>	A formatted list of tuners.

## Value

A named list of tuners

## Examples

```
# construct_tuners() can create a sequence of tuners using a fully-default
# approach, a hybrid approach, or a fully-customized approach. All approaches
# require a roadmap and tuners.

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

tuner_reg <- list(
  v = 3,
  grid = 3,
  metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::rmse)
)

tuner_cat <- list(
```

```

v = 3,
grid = 3,
metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::roc_auc)
)

# Fully-default approach

construct_tuners(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_tuner = tuner_reg,
  default_classification_tuner = tuner_cat
)

# Hybrid approach

tuner_cat2 <- list(
  v = 3,
  grid = 3,
  metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::precision)
)

construct_tuners(
  roadmap = rm,
  default_regression_tuner = tuner_reg,
  default_classification_tuner = tuner_cat,
  custom_tuners = list(
    list(vars = "hcovany", tuner = tuner_cat2)
  )
)

# Fully-customized approach

construct_tuners(
  roadmap = rm,
  custom_tuners = list(
    list(vars = c("hcovany", "empstat", "classwkr"), tuner = tuner_reg),
    list(vars = c("age", "famsize", "transit_time", "inctot"), tuner = tuner_cat)
  )
)

```

`convert_level_to_na`    *Convert "NA" values to NA for categorical variables*

## Description

Convert "NA" values to NA for categorical variables

## Usage

`convert_level_to_na(data)`

**Arguments**

**data** A data frame or tibble

**Value**

A data frame or tibble with "NA" converted to NA

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  x1 = c(1, 2, NA),
  x2 = c("1", "2", "NA"),
  x3 = factor(c("1", "2", "NA")),
  x4 = factor(c("b", "NA", "a"), ordered = TRUE)
)

convert_level_to_na(data)
```

**convert\_na\_to\_level** *Convert NA values to "NA" for categorical variables*

**Description**

Convert NA values to "NA" for categorical variables

**Usage**

```
convert_na_to_level(data)
```

**Arguments**

**data** A data frame or tibble

**Value**

A data frame or tibble with NA converted to "NA"

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  x1 = c(1, 2, NA),
  x2 = c("1", "2", NA),
  x3 = factor(c("1", "2", NA)),
  x4 = factor(c("b", NA, "a"), levels = c("b", NA, "a"), ordered = TRUE)
)

convert_na_to_level(data)
```

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enforce_custom_na	<i>Redefine NA value for a dataset.</i>
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## Description

Redefine NA value for a dataset.

## Usage

```
enforce_custom_na(data, col_schema)
```

## Arguments

data	A <code>data.frame</code> object
col_schema	A <code>col_schema</code> from a <code>schema</code> object

## Value

A `data.frame`

## Examples

```
# create custom NA filter
example_na_custom <- example_na |>
  tidyrr::replace_na(
    list("wages" = -999)
  )

example_na_expanded_custom <- enforce_custom_na(
  data = example_na_custom,
  col_schema = list(
    "wages" = list(
      dtype = "dbl",
      na_value = -999
    )
  )
)
```

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enforce_na	<i>Add missing values where values should be missing according to _NA variables</i>
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---

## Description

Add missing values where values should be missing according to \_NA variables

**Usage**

```
enforce_na(data)
```

**Arguments**

data            A synthetic data frame with \_NA columns

**Value**

A synthetic data frame with \_NA columns that converts values that are labelled missing in an \_NA variable to missing in the corresponding variable

**Examples**

```
example_na_expanded <- expand_na(data = example_na)

enforce_na(data = example_na_expanded)
```

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enforce\_schema

*Enforce a roadmap's schema on its existing data*

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**Description**

Enforce a roadmap's schema on its existing data

**Usage**

```
enforce_schema(roadmap)
```

**Arguments**

roadmap        A roadmap object

**Value**

A roadmap object with modified conf\_data, start\_data, and schema information.

**Examples**

```
rm <- roadmap(conf_data = acs_conf, start_data = acs_start) |>
  update_schema(na_numeric_to_ind = TRUE)

enforce_schema(rm)
```

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<code>example_na</code>	<i>A df with different types of missingness</i>
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---

### Description

A df with different types of missingness

### Usage

```
example_na
```

### Format

A tibble with 200 observations and 6 variables:

**age** Age of respondent

**sex** Sex of respondent with missingness at random

**labor\_force** Labor force status of respondent with structural missingness

**hours** Hours work of respondent with missingness at random

**wages** Wages earned with structural missingness

---

<code>expand_na</code>	<i>Add new variables that indicate if a value is "missing" or "not missing" for original variables that contain NA</i>
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### Description

Add new variables that indicate if a value is "missing" or "not missing" for original variables that contain NA

### Usage

```
expand_na(
  data,
  types = c("chr", "dbl", "fct", "lg1", "int", "ord"),
  skip_vars = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

<b>data</b>	A data frame
<b>types</b>	A vector of variables types to expand
<b>skip_vars</b>	A character vector of variables that shouldn't be expanded

**Value**

An augmented data frame with the original variables and new variables that contain the missingness patterns of variables with NA

**Examples**

```
expand_na(data = example_na, type = c("dbl", "int"))
```

---

**invert**

*An S3 method for inverting a step*

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**Description**

An S3 method for inverting a step

**Usage**

```
invert(object, predictions, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	A recipe after fitting a model
predictions	A data frame with .pred
...	Other arguments

**Value**

A tibble with inverted model-generated values

**Examples**

```
data <- tibble::tibble(
  y = rlnorm(n = 1000, meanlog = 0, sdlog = 1),
  x = rnorm(n = 1000)
)

adj <- recipes::recipe(y ~ x, data = data) |>
  recipes::step_BoxCox(recipes::all_outcomes()) |>
  recipes::prep()

invert(
  object = adj$steps[[1]],
  predictions = tibble::tibble(.pred = adj[["template"]][["y"]])
)
```

---

invert.step\_BoxCox     *Invert a Box-Cox transformation*

---

## Description

Invert a Box-Cox transformation

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'step_BoxCox'  
invert(object, predictions, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	A recipe after fitting a model
predictions	A data frame with .pred
...	Other arguments

## Value

A tibble with the Box-Cox transformation inverted for .pred

## Examples

```
data <- tibble::tibble(  
  y = rlnorm(n = 1000, meanlog = 0, sdlog = 1),  
  x = rnorm(n = 1000)  
)  
  
adj <- recipes::recipe(y ~ x, data = data) |>  
  recipes::step_BoxCox(recipes::all_outcomes()) |>  
  recipes::prep()  
  
invert(  
  object = adj$steps[[1]],  
  predictions = tibble::tibble(.pred = adj[["template"]][["y"]])  
)
```

---

**invert.step\_log**      *Invert a log transformation*

---

## Description

Invert a log transformation

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'step_log'  
invert(object, predictions, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	A recipe after fitting a model
predictions	A data frame with .pred
...	Other arguments

## Value

A tibble with the log transformation inverted for .pred

## Examples

```
data <- tibble::tibble(  
  y = rlnorm(n = 1000, meanlog = 0, sdlog = 1),  
  x = rnorm(n = 1000)  
)  
  
adj <- recipes::recipe(y ~ x, data = data) |>  
  recipes::step_log(recipes::all_outcomes()) |>  
  recipes::prep()  
  
invert(  
  object = adj$steps[[1]],  
  predictions = tibble::tibble(.pred = adj[["template"]][["y"]])  
)
```

---

**invert.step\_YeoJohnson**

*Invert a Yeo-Johnson transformation*

---

**Description**

Invert a Yeo-Johnson transformation

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'step_YeoJohnson'  
invert(object, predictions, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	A recipe after fitting a model
predictions	A data frame with .pred
...	Other arguments

**Value**

A tibble with the Yeo\_johnson transformation inverted for .pred

**Examples**

```
data <- tibble::tibble(  
  y = rlnorm(n = 1000, meanlog = 0, sdlog = 1),  
  x = rnorm(n = 1000)  
)  
  
adj <- recipes::recipe(y ~ x, data = data) |>  
  recipes::step_YeoJohnson(recipes::all_outcomes()) |>  
  recipes::prep()  
  
invert(  
  object = adj$steps[[1]],  
  predictions = tibble::tibble(.pred = adj[["template"]][["y"]])  
)
```

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<code>ks_distance</code>	<i>Kolmogorov-Smirnov distance</i>
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**Description**

Kolmogorov-Smirnov distance

**Usage**

```
ks_distance(data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
ks_distance(data, truth, estimate, na_rm = TRUE, case_weights = NULL, ...)

ks_distance_vec(truth, estimate, na_rm = TRUE, case_weights = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> containing the columns specified by the <code>truth</code> and <code>estimate</code> arguments.
<code>...</code>	Not currently used.
<code>truth</code>	The column identifier for the true results (that is numeric). This should be an unquoted column name although this argument is passed by expression and supports quasiquotation (you can unquote column names). For <code>_vec()</code> functions, a numeric vector.
<code>estimate</code>	The column identifier for the predicted results (that is also numeric). As with <code>truth</code> this can be specified different ways but the primary method is to use an unquoted variable name. For <code>_vec()</code> functions, a numeric vector.
<code>na_rm</code>	A logical value indicating whether NA values should be stripped before the computation proceeds.
<code>case_weights</code>	This is a placeholder for now and will be added when <code>case_weights</code> are added to tidysynthesis.

**Value**

For `ks_distance_vec()`, a single numeric value (or NA).  
 A single numeric value (or NA).  
 A single numeric value (or NA).

**Examples**

```
ks1 <- data.frame(x = 1:100, y = 101:200)

ks_distance(data = ks1, truth = x, estimate = y)
```

```
ks1 <- data.frame(x = 1:100, y = 101:200)

ks_distance(data = ks1, truth = x, estimate = y)

ks1 <- data.frame(x = 1:100, y = 101:200)

ks_distance_vec(truth = ks1$x, estimate = ks1$y)
```

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**noise**

*Create a noise object*

---

**Description**

Create a noise object

**Usage**

```
noise(add_noise = FALSE, mode = "regression", noise_func = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

add_noise	Boolean, TRUE if adding noise
mode	String, one of "regression" or "classification"
noise_func	A function that adds noise to
...	Optional named additional arguments to pass to noise_func(...)

**Value**

A noise object

**Examples**

```
# create default noise object
noise()

# create noise object for classification
noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  mode = "classification",
  noise_func = add_noise_cat_unif
)

# create noise object for regression
noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  mode = "regression",
```

```

noise_func = add_noise_kde,
n_ntiles = 10
)

```

**presynth***Create a presynth object***Description**

Create a presynth object

**Usage**

```
presynth(roadmap, synth_spec)
```

**Arguments**

roadmap	A roadmap object from <code>roadmap()</code> .
synth_spec	A <code>synth_spec</code> object from <code>synth_spec()</code> .

**Value**

A presynth object.

**Examples**

```

# create roadmap
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

# create a presynth object

```

```
# use defaults for noise, constraints, and replicates
presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)
```

---

print.constraints	<i>Print the constraints object to the console with formatting</i>
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---

## Description

Print the constraints object to the console with formatting

## Usage

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

## Arguments

x	A constraints object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

## Value

Invisibly returns the input constraints object.

## Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

constraints_df_num <-
  tibble::tribble(~var, ~min, ~max, ~conditions,
    "transit_time", 0, 300, "TRUE")

constraints <- constraints(
  schema = rm[["schema"]],
  constraints_df_num = constraints_df_num,
  max_z_num = 0
)

print(constraints)
```

`print.noise`*Print the noise object to the console with formatting***Description**

Print the noise object to the console with formatting

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A noise object
<code>...</code>	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input noise object.

**Examples**

```
print(noise())
```

`print.postsynth`*Print the postsynth object to the console with formatting***Description**

Print the postsynth object to the console with formatting

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A postsynth object
<code>...</code>	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input postsynth object.

## Examples

```

# create roadmap
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

# create a presynth object
# use defaults for noise, constraints, and replicates
presynth1 <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)

# synthesize!
set.seed(1)
postsynth1 <- synthesize(presynth = presynth1)

print(postsynth1)

```

**print.presynth** *print method for presynth objects*

## Description

print method for presynth objects

## Usage

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

**Arguments**

- x A presynth object
- ... further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

A presynth object

**Examples**

```
# create roadmap
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

# create a presynth object
# use defaults for noise, constraints, and replicates
presynth <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)

print(presynth)
```

**print.replicates** *Print the replicates object to the console with formatting*

**Description**

Print the replicates object to the console with formatting

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

x	A replicates object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input replicates object.

**Examples**

```
rep <- replicates(  
  start_data_replicates = 2,  
  model_sample_replicates = 2,  
  end_to_end_replicates = 2  
)  
  
print(rep)
```

---

print.schema

*Print the schema object to the console with formatting*

---

**Description**

Print the schema object to the console with formatting

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

x	A schema object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input schema object.

## Examples

```
# default inferred schema
schema1 <- schema(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

print(schema1)
```

---

**print.start\_method**      *Print the start\_method object to the console with formatting*

---

## Description

Print the start\_method object to the console with formatting

## Usage

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

## Arguments

x	A start_method object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

## Value

A start\_method object

## Examples

```
print(start_method())
```

---

print.synth_spec	<i>Print the replicates object to the console with formatting</i>
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---

## Description

Print the replicates object to the console with formatting

## Usage

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

## Arguments

x	A replicates object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

## Value

A synth\_spec object

## Examples

```
synth_spec <- synth_spec()  
  
print(synth_spec)
```

---

print.visit_sequence	<i>Print method for visit_sequence objects</i>
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---

## Description

Print method for visit\_sequence objects

## Usage

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

## Arguments

x	A visit_sequence object
...	further arguments passed to or from other methods (not currently used).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input `visit_sequence` object.

**Examples**

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)
print(rm[["visit_sequence"]])
```

**replicates***Create a replicates object***Description**

Create a `replicates` object

**Usage**

```
replicates(
  start_data_replicates = 1,
  model_sample_replicates = 1,
  end_to_end_replicates = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

`start_data_replicates`

The number of starting data replicates to use. Note that if no `start_method` is provided, all start data replicates will be identical.

`model_sample_replicates`

The number of replicates for the conditional modeling process, including modeling and sampling new synthetic values.

`end_to_end_replicates`

The number of replicates for the entire synthesis process, including all previously specified steps.

**Value**

A new `replicates` object.

## Examples

```
replicates(  
  start_data_replicates = 2,  
  model_sample_replicates = 2,  
  end_to_end_replicates = 2  
)
```

---

replicates\_api      *Add, update, or reset a replicates object within an existing roadmap.*

---

## Description

Add, update, or reset a replicates object within an existing roadmap.

## Usage

```
add_replicates(roadmap, replicates)  
  
update_replicates(roadmap, ...)  
  
reset_replicates(roadmap)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
replicates	A replicates object.
...	Optional named parameters passed to replicates().

## Value

- A new roadmap object.
- A new roadmap object with the added replicates.
- A new roadmap object with updated replicates.
- A new roadmap object with reset replicates.

## Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(  
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,  
  start_data = acs_start_nw  
)  
  
new_replicates <- replicates(end_to_end_replicates = 2)  
  
rm |>  
  add_replicates(new_replicates)
```

```

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rm |>
  update_replicates(start_data_replicates = 3)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rm <- rm |>
  add_replicates(replicates(start_data_replicates = 3))

reset_replicates(roadmap = rm)

```

**roadmap***Create a roadmap***Description**

A `roadmap` is a container object that aggregates information required to specify the order of operations for synthesis modeling and sampling steps.

**Usage**

```

roadmap(
  conf_data,
  start_data,
  start_method = NULL,
  schema = NULL,
  visit_sequence = NULL,
  replicates = NULL,
  constraints = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

<code>conf_data</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> of confidential data.
<code>start_data</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> of starting data used to initialize the process.
<code>start_method</code>	An optional <code>start_method</code> object.
<code>schema</code>	An optional <code>schema</code> object.

```
visit_sequence An optional visit_sequence object.  
replicates     An optional replicates object.  
constraints    An optional constraints object.
```

## Details

Users initiate a roadmap object with conf\_data and start\_data. All other objects will either be completed with defaults or specified interactively via the provided API.

## Value

A new roadmap object.

## Examples

```
roadmap(  
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,  
  start_data = acs_start_nw,  
  start_method = start_method(  
    start_func = start_resample, n = 1000  
  )  
)
```

---

### sample\_glm

*Sample the conditional distribution created by a generalized linear model*

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## Description

Currently, logistic and poisson regression are supported using `parsnip` and the standard `glm` engine. Note that poisson regression requires the suggested `poissonreg` library.

## Usage

```
sample_glm(model, new_data, conf_data)
```

## Arguments

model	A "model_fit" object created by <code>parsnip</code>
new_data	A data frame with predictors
conf_data	A data frame with original confidential predictors

## Value

A numeric vector of predictions

## Examples

```
acs_conf <- acs_conf |>
  tidyverse::drop_na()

logistic_mod <- parsnip::logistic_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("glm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

classification_rec <- recipes::recipe(hcovany ~ ., data = acs_conf)

model_class <- workflows::workflow() |>
  workflows::add_model(spec = logistic_mod) |>
  workflows::add_recipe(recipe = classification_rec) |>
  parsnip::fit(data = acs_conf)

set.seed(1)
sample1 <- sample_glm(
  model = model_class,
  new_data = acs_conf[1:3, ],
  conf_data = acs_conf
)
```

**sample\_lm**

*Sample the conditional distribution created by a linear model*

## Description

Sample the conditional distribution created by a linear model

## Usage

```
sample_lm(model, new_data, conf_data)
```

## Arguments

- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| model     | A "model_fit" object created by parsnip::linear_reg() |
| new_data  | A data frame with predictors                          |
| conf_data | A data frame with original confidential predictors    |

## Value

A numeric vector of predictions

## Examples

```
lm_mod <- parsnip::linear_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("lm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

regression_rec <- recipes::recipe(inctot ~ ., data = acs_conf)

model_reg <- workflows::workflow() |>
  workflows::add_model(spec = lm_mod) |>
  workflows::add_recipe(recipe = regression_rec) |>
  parsnip::fit(data = acs_conf)

set.seed(1)
sample1 <- sample_lm(
  model = model_reg,
  new_data = acs_conf[1:3, ],
  conf_data = acs_conf
)
```

---

sample\_ranger

*Sample the conditional distribution created by a ranger rf model*

---

## Description

Sample the conditional distribution created by a ranger rf model

## Usage

```
sample_ranger(model, new_data, conf_data)
```

## Arguments

model	A "model_fit" object created by parsnip::ranger()
new_data	A data frame with predictors
conf_data	A data frame with original confidential predictors

## Value

A numeric vector of predictions

## Examples

```
rf_mod_regression <- parsnip::rand_forest(trees = 500, min_n = 1) |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "ranger") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression") |>
  parsnip::set_args(quantreg = TRUE)
```

```

regression_rec <- recipes::recipe(age ~ ., data = acs_conf)

model_reg <- workflows::workflow() |>
  workflows::add_model(spec = rf_mod_regression) |>
  workflows::add_recipe(recipe = regression_rec) |>
  parsnip::fit(data = acs_conf)

set.seed(1)
sample1 <- sample_ranger(
  model = model_reg,
  new_data = acs_conf[1:3, ],
  conf_data = acs_conf
)

```

**sample\_rpart***Sample the conditional distribution created by a CART model*

## Description

Sample the conditional distribution created by a CART model

## Usage

```
sample_rpart(model, new_data, conf_data, ignore_zeros = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

<code>model</code>	A "model_fit" object created by rpart
<code>new_data</code>	A data frame with predictors
<code>conf_data</code>	A data frame with original confidential predictors
<code>ignore_zeros</code>	Should a vector of all 0 observations return NA for the l-diversity calculation. Defaults to TRUE.

## Value

A numeric vector of predictions

## Examples

```

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

regression_rec <- recipes::recipe(inctot ~ ., data = acs_conf)

model_reg <- workflows::workflow() |>
  workflows::add_model(spec = rpart_mod_reg) |>

```

```
workflows::add_recipe(recipe = regression_rec) |>
  parsnip::fit(data = acs_conf)

  set.seed(1)
  sample1 <- sample_rpart(
    model = model_reg,
    new_data = acs_conf[1:3, ],
    conf_data = acs_conf
  )

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

classification_rec <- recipes::recipe(hcovany ~ ., data = acs_conf)

model_reg <- workflows::workflow() |>
  workflows::add_model(spec = rpart_mod_class) |>
  workflows::add_recipe(recipe = classification_rec) |>
  parsnip::fit(data = acs_conf)

  set.seed(1)
  sample1 <- sample_rpart(
    model = model_reg,
    new_data = acs_conf[1:10, ],
    conf_data = acs_conf
  )
```

---

**schema**

*Generate a schema object.*

---

**Description**

Generate a schema object.

**Usage**

```
schema(
  conf_data,
  start_data,
  col_schema = NULL,
  enforce = TRUE,
  coerce_to_factors = FALSE,
  coerce_to_doubles = FALSE,
  na_factor_to_level = TRUE,
  na_numeric_to_ind = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>conf_data</code>	A data frame to be synthesized.
<code>start_data</code>	A data frame with starting variables.
<code>col_schema</code>	An optional named list of columns in the confidential data with their properties, including data type and factor levels. If NULL or only partially specified, <code>col_schema</code> will be inferred from the confidential data. See example code for formatting.
<code>enforce</code>	Boolean that if true, will preprocess both <code>conf_data</code> and <code>start_data</code> to align with <code>col_schema</code> and the arguments below.
<code>coerce_to_factors</code>	Boolean that if true, coerces categorical data types ( <code>chr</code> , <code>fct</code> , <code>ord</code> ) to base R factors when <code>enforce_schema</code> is called.
<code>coerce_to_doubles</code>	Boolean that if true, coerces columns specified as <code>dbl</code> in <code>col_schema</code> to base R doubles when <code>enforce_schema</code> is called.
<code>na_factor_to_level</code>	Boolean that if true, applies <code>convert_level_to_na()</code> to factor variables when <code>enforce_schema</code> is called.
<code>na_numeric_to_ind</code>	Boolean that if true, applies <code>expand_na()</code> to numeric data to create logical missingness indicators when <code>enforce_schema</code> is called.

### Value

A schema object.

### Examples

```

conf_data <- data.frame(
  var1 = c("1", "1", "2"),
  var2 = c(1L, 2L, 3L),
  var3 = c(1.1, 2.2, 3.3)
)

start_data <- dplyr::select(conf_data, var1)

# default inferred schema
schema(
  conf_data = conf_data,
  start_data = start_data
)

# overwriting factor levels
schema(
  conf_data = conf_data,
  start_data = start_data,
  col_schema = list(
    "var1" = list(
      "dtype" = "fct",

```

```
    "levels" = c("1", "2", "3")
  )
),
coerce_to_factors = TRUE
)
```

---

**schema\_api**

*Add, update, or reset a schema object within an existing roadmap.*

---

**Description**

Add, update, or reset a schema object within an existing roadmap.

**Usage**

```
add_schema(roadmap, schema)

update_schema(roadmap, ...)

reset_schema(roadmap)
```

**Arguments**

roadmap	A roadmap object
schema	A schema object.
...	Optional named parameters passed to schema().

**Value**

- A new roadmap object.
- A roadmap object with added schema.
- A roadmap object with updated schema.
- A roadmap object with reset schema.

**Examples**

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

acs_schema <- schema(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw,
  na_numeric_to_ind = TRUE
```

```

)
rm |>
add_schema(schema = acs_schema)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)
rm |>
update_schema(na_numeric_to_ind = TRUE)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)
rm <- rm |>
update_schema(na_numeric_to_ind = TRUE)

reset_schema(roadmap = rm)

```

**start\_method***Create a start\_method object.***Description**

A `start_method` gets executed prior to running a synthesis. This modifies the `start_data`, typically randomly, to provide greater disclosure risk protections.

**Usage**

```
start_method(start_func = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>start_func</code>	A function that accepts and returns a <code>data.frame</code> . If none provided <code>.identity_start()</code> is used.
<code>...</code>	Optional keyword arguments passed to <code>start_func(...)</code>

**Value**

A `start_method` object

## Examples

```
# basic usage
start_method(start_func = start_resample)

# adjust the number of observations
start_method(
    start_func = start_resample,
    start_data = acs_start_nw,
    n = 10
)

# adjust the number of observations and use all combinations as support
start_method(
    start_func = start_resample,
    start_data = acs_start_nw,
    n = 10,
    inv_noise_scale = 1,
    support = "all"
)
```

---

**start\_method\_api**      *Add, update, or reset a start method within an existing roadmap.*

---

## Description

Add, update, or reset a start method within an existing roadmap.

## Usage

```
add_start_method(roadmap, start_method)

update_start_method(roadmap, ...)

remove_start_method(roadmap)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
start_method	A start_method object.
...	Optional named parameters passed to start_method()

## Value

- A new roadmap object.
- A new roadmap object with added start\_method.
- A new roadmap object with updated start\_method.
- A new roadmap object with removed start\_method.

**Examples**

```

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw,
)

add_start_method(
  roadmap = rm,
  start_method = start_method()
)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

update_start_method(
  roadmap = rm,
  start_method = start_method()
)

rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw,
  start_method = start_method()
)

remove_start_method(
  roadmap = rm
)

```

<code>start_resample</code>	<i>Specify a resampling scheme for start_data</i>
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**Description**

Specify a resampling scheme for start\_data

**Usage**

```

start_resample(
  start_data,
  n = NULL,
  inv_noise_scale = NULL,
  support = c("observed", "all")
)

```

**Arguments**

start_data	A <code>data.frame</code>
n	An optional integer sample size. If unspecified, <code>n = nrow(start_data)</code>
inv_noise_scale	An optional parameter to set randomized noise to the proportions of records with different <code>start_data</code> characteristics. Corresponds to a privacy loss budget under epsilon differential privacy.
support	A string that specifies the method of resampling from the <code>start_data</code> domain.

**Value**

A `start_method` object for resampling starting data

**Examples**

```
start_method(  
  start_func = start_resample, n = 1000  
)
```

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synthesize	<i>Synthesize a data set</i>
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**Description**

Synthesize a data set

**Usage**

```
synthesize(presynth, progress = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

presynth	A <code>presynth</code> object created by <code>presynth()</code> .
progress	A single logical. Should a progress be displayed?

**Value**

A `postsynth` object.

## Examples

```
# create roadmap
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

# create a presynth object
# use defaults for noise, constraints, and replicates
presynth1 <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)

# synthesize!
set.seed(1)
postsynth1 <- synthesize(presynth = presynth1)
```

**synth\_spec**

*Create a synth\_spec object*

## Description

The `synth_spec` object holds specifications for modeling and sampling components for sequential synthetic data generation. Each component has an associated `construct_*` function called when creating a `presynth` object.

## Usage

```
synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = NULL,
  default_classification_model = NULL,
  custom_models = NULL,
```

```
    default_regression_steps = NULL,  
    default_classification_steps = NULL,  
    custom_steps = NULL,  
    default_regression_sampler = NULL,  
    default_classification_sampler = NULL,  
    custom_samplers = NULL,  
    default_regression_noise = NULL,  
    default_classification_noise = NULL,  
    custom_noise = NULL,  
    default_regression_tuner = NULL,  
    default_classification_tuner = NULL,  
    custom_tuners = NULL,  
    default_extractor = NULL,  
    custom_extractors = NULL,  
    invert_transformations = TRUE,  
    enforce_na = TRUE  
)
```

## Arguments

default\_regression\_model  
A model\_spec object from library(parsnip) for use in regression models.

default\_classification\_model  
A model\_spec object from library(parsnip) for use in classification models.

custom\_models A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and model for their associated model. from library(parsnip).

default\_regression\_steps  
A list of recipe::step\_ function(s) from library(recipes) for use in regression models.

default\_classification\_steps  
A list of recipe::step\_ function(s) from library(recipes) for use in classification models.

custom\_steps A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and steps for their associated recipe.

default\_regression\_sampler  
A sampling function for drawing new values from regression models.

default\_classification\_sampler  
A sampling function for drawing new values from classification models.

custom\_samplers  
A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and sampler for their associated sampler

default\_regression\_noise  
A noise function for adding noise to numeric values.

default\_classification\_noise  
A noise function for adding noise to classification values.

custom\_noise A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and noise for their associated noise

```

default_regression_tuner
  A tuner from library(tune) for use in regression models.

default_classification_tuner
  A tuner from library(tune) for use in classification models.

custom_tuners  A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and
                tuner for their associated tuner

default_extractor
  An optional method for extracting workflows or extracts from workflows.

custom_extractors
  A list of named lists each with two elements: vars for variable names, and
                extractor for their associated extractor

invert_transformations
  A Boolean for if outcome variable transformations applied through recipes should
  be inverted during synthesis. recipes need ids that begin with "outcome".

enforce_na      A Boolean for if NA values should be added into the synthetic data with enforce_na()
                  during synthesis. An alternative approach is to add the NA values after synthesis

```

## Value

A *synth\_spec* object

## Examples

```

rpart_mod <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

lm_mod <- parsnip::linear_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("lm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

step1 <- function(x) {
  x |>
    recipes::step_center(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "center")
}

step2 <- function(x) {
  x |>
    recipes::step_scale(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "scale")
}

step3 <- function(x) { x |> step1() |> step2() }

synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod,
  custom_models = list(
    list("vars" = c("var1", "var2"),
        "model" = lm_mod)
  ),

```

```
default_regression_steps = step1,
custom_steps = list(
  list("vars" = c("var2", "var3"),
       "steps" = step2),
  list("vars" = c("var4"),
       "steps" = step3)
),
default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
custom_samplers = list(
  list("vars" = c("var1", "var2"),
       "sampler" = sample_lm)
)
)
```

---

**synth\_spec\_extractor\_api**

*Add, update, or remove extractors from a synth\_spec object*

---

**Description**

Add, update, or remove extractors from a synth\_spec object

**Usage**

```
add_custom_extractors(synth_spec, ...)
update_custom_extractors(synth_spec, ...)
remove_custom_extractors(synth_spec)
```

**Arguments**

<code>synth_spec</code>	A synth_spec object
<code>...</code>	Optional named lists with two elements, <code>vars</code> and <code>extractor</code> , mapping variable names to extractors.

**Value**

A new synth\_spec object.  
A new synth\_spec object with added custom extractors.  
A new synth\_spec object with updated custom extractors.  
A new synth\_spec object with removed custom extractors.

## Examples

```

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

add_custom_extractors(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "extractor" = parsnip::extract_fit_engine)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

update_custom_extractors(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "extractor" = parsnip::extract_fit_engine)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

synth_spec <- add_custom_extractors(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "extractor" = parsnip::extract_fit_engine)
)

remove_custom_extractors(synth_spec = synth_spec)

```

## synth\_spec\_is\_component

*Inspections for synth\_spec components*

## Description

Inspections for synth\_spec components

## Arguments

z	Object
---	--------

## Value

Boolean if matches class type

---

`synth_spec_model_api`    *Add, update, or remove custom models from a synth\_spec object*

---

## Description

Add, update, or remove custom models from a synth\_spec object

## Usage

```
add_custom_models(synth_spec, ...)

update_custom_models(synth_spec, ...)

remove_custom_models(synth_spec)
```

## Arguments

synth_spec	A synth_spec object
...	Optional named lists with two elements, <code>vars</code> and <code>model</code> , mapping variable names to model_spec objects from library(parsnip).

## Value

- A new synth\_spec object.
- A new synth\_spec object with added custom models.
- A new synth\_spec object with updated custom models.
- A new synth\_spec object with removed custom models.

## Examples

```
synth_spec <- synth_spec()

dt_reg_mod <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode("regression")

add_custom_models(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "model" = dt_reg_mod)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

dt_reg_mod <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode("regression")
```

```

update_custom_models(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "model" = dt_reg_mod)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

dt_reg_mod <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode("regression")

synth_spec <- update_custom_models(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "model" = dt_reg_mod)
)

remove_custom_models(synth_spec = synth_spec)

```

*synth\_spec\_noise\_api    Add, update, or remove noise from a synth\_spec object*

## Description

Add, update, or remove noise from a `synth_spec` object

## Usage

```
add_custom_noise(synth_spec, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>synth_spec</code>	A <code>synth_spec</code> object
<code>...</code>	Optional named lists with two elements, <code>vars</code> and <code>noise</code> , mapping variable names to samplers.

## Value

A new `synth_spec` object.

A new `synth_spec` object with added custom noise.

## Examples

```
synth_spec <- synth_spec()

noise1 <- noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  noise_func = add_noise_kde,
  noise_params = list(
    n_ntiles = 2
  )
)

add_custom_noise(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "noise" = noise1)
)
```

---

## synth\_spec\_recipes\_api

*Add, update, or remove recipe recipes from a synth\_spec object*

---

### Description

Add, update, or remove recipe recipes from a synth\_spec object

### Usage

```
add_custom_steps(synth_spec, ...)
update_custom_steps(synth_spec, ...)
remove_custom_steps(synth_spec)
```

### Arguments

synth_spec	A synth_spec object
...	Optional named arguments mapping variables to lists of <code>recipe::recipe_function(s)</code> from <code>library(recipes)</code> .

### Value

- A new synth\_spec object.
- A new synth\_spec object with added custom steps.
- A new synth\_spec object with updated custom steps.
- A new synth\_spec object with removed custom steps.

## Examples

```

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

step1 <- function(x) {
  x |> recipes::step_center(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "center")
}

add_custom_steps(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "steps" = step1)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

step1 <- function(x) {
  x |> recipes::step_center(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "center")
}

update_custom_steps(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "steps" = step1)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

step1 <- function(x) {
  x |> recipes::step_center(recipes::all_predictors(), id = "center")
}

synth_spec <- add_custom_steps(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "steps" = step1)
)

remove_custom_steps(synth_spec = synth_spec)

```

## *synth\_spec\_sampler\_api*

*Add, update, or remove samplers from a synth\_spec object*

## Description

Add, update, or remove samplers from a synth\_spec object

**Usage**

```
add_custom_samplers(synth_spec, ...)

update_custom_samplers(synth_spec, ...)

remove_custom_samplers(synth_spec)

update_custom_noise(synth_spec, ...)

remove_custom_noise(synth_spec)
```

**Arguments**

synth_spec	A synth_spec object
...	Optional named lists with two elements, vars and sampler, mapping variable names to samplers.

**Value**

- A new synth\_spec object.
- A new synth\_spec object with added custom samplers.
- A new synth\_spec object with updated custom samplers.
- A new synth\_spec object with removed custom samplers.
- A new synth\_spec object with updated custom noise.
- A new synth\_spec object with removed custom noise.

**Examples**

```
synth_spec <- synth_spec()

add_custom_samplers(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "sampler" = sample_rpart)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

update_custom_samplers(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "sampler" = sample_rpart)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

synth_spec <- add_custom_samplers(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
```

```

list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "sampler" = sample_rpart)
)

remove_custom_samplers(synth_spec = synth_spec)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

noise1 <- noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  noise_func = add_noise_kde,
  noise_params = list(
    n_ntiles = 2
  )
)

update_custom_noise(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "noise" = noise1)
)

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

noise1 <- noise(
  add_noise = TRUE,
  noise_func = add_noise_kde,
  noise_params = list(
    n_ntiles = 2
  )
)

synth_spec <- add_custom_noise(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "noise" = noise1)
)

remove_custom_noise(synth_spec = synth_spec)

```

**synth\_spec\_tuner\_api**    *Add, update, or remove tuners from a synth\_spec object*

## Description

Add, update, or remove tuners from a synth\_spec object

## Usage

```
add_custom_tuners(synth_spec, ...)
```

```
update_custom_tuners(synth_spec, ...)  
remove_custom_tuners(synth_spec)
```

### Arguments

synth\_spec A synth\_spec object  
... Optional named lists with two elements, vars and tuner, mapping variable names to tuners.

### Value

A new synth\_spec object.  
A new synth\_spec object with added custom tuners.  
A new synth\_spec object with updated custom tuners.  
A new synth\_spec object with removed custom tuners.

### Examples

```
synth_spec <- synth_spec()  
  
tuner1 <- list(  
  v = 3,  
  grid = 3,  
  metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::rmse)  
)  
  
add_custom_tuners(  
  synth_spec = synth_spec,  
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "tuner" = tuner1)  
)  
  
synth_spec <- synth_spec()  
  
tuner1 <- list(  
  v = 3,  
  grid = 3,  
  metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::rmse)  
)  
  
update_custom_tuners(  
  synth_spec = synth_spec,  
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "tuner" = tuner1)  
)  
  
synth_spec <- synth_spec()
```

```

tuner1 <- list(
  v = 3,
  grid = 3,
  metrics = yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::rmse)
)

synth_spec <- add_custom_tuners(
  synth_spec = synth_spec,
  list("vars" = c("a", "b", "c"), "tuner" = tuner1)
)

remove_custom_tuners(synth_spec = synth_spec)

```

**tune\_synthesis***Generate syntheses from multiple presynth objects.***Description**

Generate syntheses from multiple presynth objects.

**Usage**

```

tune_synthesis(
  presynths,
  postprocessing_func,
  metadata_func = NULL,
  simplify_post = FALSE,
  seed = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

<code>presynths</code>	A list of presynth objects
<code>postprocessing_func</code>	A function with arguments "synth_id", "synth_name", and "postsynth" that performs any desired postprocessing operations, like writing
<code>metadata_func</code>	An optional function with argument "presynth" that extracts specified information from each presynth object and returns a list. Each list element becomes an additional column in the output metadata.
<code>simplify_post</code>	Boolean that, if true, expects postprocessing_func to return a list corresponding to the row of the output dataframe (one per synthesis).
<code>seed</code>	A RNG seed to pass to <code>set.seed()</code>

**Value**

A `post_tunesynth` object.

## Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

dt_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

dt_mod_reg_cp <- parsnip::decision_tree(cost_complexity = 0.01) |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

dt_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

# synth specs
synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = dt_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = dt_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

synth_spec2 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = dt_mod_reg_cp,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = dt_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

presynth1 <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)

presynth2 <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec2
)

postproc_f_null <- function(synth_id, synth_name, postsynth) {
  return(postsynth[["synthetic_data"]])
}

tune_synth(
  presynths = list(presynth1, presynth2),
  postprocessing_func = postproc_f_null,
  seed = 12345
```

)

`update_presynth`      *Update presynth object*

## Description

Update presynth object

## Usage

```
update_presynth(presynth, roadmap = NULL, synth_spec = NULL)
```

## Arguments

<code>presynth</code>	A presynth object
<code>roadmap</code>	An optional roadmap object
<code>synth_spec</code>	An optional synth_spec object

## Value

A presynth object.

## Examples

```
# create roadmap
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rpart_mod_reg <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

rpart_mod_class <- parsnip::decision_tree() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "rpart") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "classification")

synth_spec1 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = rpart_mod_reg,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_rpart,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)
```

```

# create a presynth object
# use defaults for noise, constraints, and replicates
presynth <- presynth(
  roadmap = rm,
  synth_spec = synth_spec1
)

lm_mod <- parsnip::linear_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine(engine = "lm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

synth_spec2 <- synth_spec(
  default_regression_model = lm_mod,
  default_regression_sampler = sample_lm,
  default_classification_model = rpart_mod_class,
  default_classification_sampler = sample_rpart
)

```

**update\_synth\_spec***Tidy API calls* ——————**Description**

Update non-custom `synth_spec` arguments

**Usage**

```
update_synth_spec(synth_spec, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>synth_spec</code>	A <code>synth_spec</code> object
<code>...</code>	Optional named keywords in <code>synth_spec</code> , with the exception of any <code>custom_*</code> arguments

**Value**

A `synth_spec`

**Examples**

```

synth_spec <- synth_spec()

lm_mod <- parsnip::linear_reg() |>
  parsnip::set_engine("lm") |>
  parsnip::set_mode(mode = "regression")

update_synth_spec(
  synth_spec,

```

```
default_regression_model = lm_mod
)
```

<code>visit_sequence</code>	<i>Generate a visit sequence.</i>
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## Description

Generate a visit sequence.

## Usage

```
visit_sequence(schema, weight_var = NULL, synthesize_weight = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

schema	A schema object.
weight_var	A numeric weight for the weighted total ordering.
synthesize_weight	Boolean for if weight_var should be included in the visit sequence.

## Value

A `visit_sequence` object.

## Examples

```
df <- data.frame(
  factor_var = c("1", "1", "2"),
  vara = c(10000, 20000, 100000),
  varb = c(300, 200, 100),
  var_loss = c(1999999, 0, -1000000),
  weight = c(1000, 1000, 2000)
)

start_df <- dplyr::select(df, factor_var)

schema1 <- schema(
  conf_data = dplyr::select(df, -weight),
  start_data = start_df
)

vs1 <- visit_sequence(
  schema = schema1
)

schema2 <- schema(
  conf_data = df,
```

```
  start_data = start_df
)

vs2 <- visit_sequence(
  schema = schema2,
  weight_var = weight,
  synthesize_weight = TRUE
)
```

---

visit\_sequence\_api     *Add or reset a visit\_sequence object within an existing roadmap.*

---

## Description

Add or reset a visit\_sequence object within an existing roadmap.

## Usage

```
update_visit_sequence(roadmap, ...)
reset_visit_sequence(roadmap)
```

## Arguments

roadmap	A roadmap object
...	Optional additional parameters.

## Value

A new roadmap object.  
A roadmap with an updated visit\_sequence.  
A new roadmap object with reset visit\_sequence.

## Examples

```
rm <- roadmap(
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,
  start_data = acs_start_nw
)

rm |>
  update_visit_sequence(
    weight_var = wgt,
    synthesize_weight = TRUE
)
```

```
rm <- roadmap(  
  conf_data = acs_conf_nw,  
  start_data = acs_start_nw  
)  
  
rm <- rm |>  
  update_visit_sequence(  
    weight_var = wgt,  
    synthesize_weight = TRUE  
)  
  
reset_visit_sequence(roadmap = rm)
```

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