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dict.py	<i>Creates an instance of a dict</i>
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Description

This is a wrapper function around the pydict\$new that is a little more R friendly.

Usage

```
dict.py(...)
```

Arguments

... a series of key/value pairs in the form key=value

Examples

```
(x <- dict.py("a"=1, "b"=2, "c"=3))
#{a: 1, b: 2, c: 3}
```

dict_repl	<i>Function for representing hashed objects as strings</i>
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Description

Purely visual.

Usage

```
dict_repl(object, obj_name)
```

Arguments

- object an arbitrary thing
- obj_name name of the variable as defined by the user (not currently being used)

encapsulate	<i>Helper function for making character vectors have quotes around each item when printed to the console.</i>
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Description

Helper function for making character vectors have quotes around each item when printed to the console.

Usage

```
encapsulate(values)
```

Arguments

values	a vector of values
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hist	<i>Plots a histogram of the items of a list.</i>
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Description

Generic function that plots a histogram of the items in a list.

is.dict.py	<i>Determines whether or not an object is an instance of a dictionary.</i>
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Description

Determines the class of an object and checks to see if it's a dictionary.

Usage

```
is.dict.py(object)
```

Arguments

object	any object
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Examples

```
x <- dict.py("a"=1)
is.dict.py(x)
#TRUE
x <- list(1, 2, 3, 4)
is.dict.py(x)
#FALSE
```

is.list.py

Determines whether or not an object is an instance of a list

Description

Determines the class of an object and checks to see if it's a list

Usage

```
is.list.py(object)
```

Arguments

object any object

Examples

```
x <- list.py("a")
is.list.py(x)
#TRUE
x <- 1:10
is.dict.py(x)
#FALSE
```

lapply

Wrapper around lapply.

Description

Automatically invokes lapply on the items in the list.

list.py

Creates an instance of a list

Description

This is a wrapper function around the `pylist$new` that is a little more R friendly.

Usage

```
list.py(...)
```

Arguments

... a series of values separated by a comma. NOTE: a vector will be treated as an individual item. i.e. `list.py(1:100)` will yield a list with 1 item, whereas `list.py(1, 2, 3, 4)` will yield a list with 4 items

Examples

```
x <- list.py(1, 2, 3, 4)
#[1, 2, 3, 4]
```

merge.list	<i>Function that takes 2 lists and merges them fairly effeciently</i>
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Description

Function that takes 2 lists and merges them fairly effeciently

Usage

```
merge.list(x, y = NULL, mergeUnnamed = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a list
y	a second list
mergeUnnamed	boolean for whether or not to include list items with no names
...	whatever else you've got

paste	<i>Turns a list into a printable string</i>
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Description

Generic function that calls the toString method for a list.

plot	<i>Plots a scatterplot of the items of a list.</i>
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Description

Generic function that plots a scatterplot of the items in a list.

sapply	<i>Wrapper around sapply.</i>
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Description

Automatically invokes sapply on the items in the list.

summary	<i>Creates a summary of the items in a list.</i>
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Description

Sumamrizes the list by data type. Each data type gets it's own summary with the results put into a native R list.

toString	<i>Turns a list into a string.</i>
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Description

Generic function that calls the string method for a list.

zip.dict	<i>Combine 2 lists into a dict of key/values</i>
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Description

Takes 2 lists and converts them into a key => value mapping, which takes the form of a [dict.py](#).

Usage

```
zip.dict(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	a list, vector, or list.py
y	a second list, vector, or list.py

Examples

```
x <- list.py(1, 2, 3)
y <- list.py("a", "b", "c")
zip.dict(x, y)
#{1: 'a', 2: 'b', 3: 'c'}
zip.dict(y, x)
#{'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
```

zip.tuple

*Combine 2 lists into a list of lists***Description**

Return a list of 2 item lists, where each list contains the i-th element from each of the argument sequences. The returned list is truncated in length to the length of the shortest argument sequence.

Usage

```
zip.tuple(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	a list, vector, or list.py
y	a second list, vector, or list.py

Examples

```
x <- list.py(1, 2, 3)
y <- list.py(4, 5, 6)
zip.tuple(x, y)
#[[1, 4], [2, 5], [3, 6]]
y <- list.py("a", "b", "c")
zip.tuple(x, y)
#[[1, 'a'], [2, 'b'], [3, 'c']]
```

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*Get the value of a key associated with a dictionary.***Description**

You can use the `adict['key']` syntax to access key/values from within a dictionary—much like Python, Ruby, or Perl.

You can use the `adict['key']` syntax to set key/values from within a dictionary—much like Python, Ruby, or Perl.

Use much like `length(list())` or `length(c(1, 2, 3))`.

You can use the `adict[idx]` syntax to access items from within a list—much like Python, Ruby, or Perl.

You can use the `alist[idx]` syntax to set items within a list—much like Python, Ruby, or Perl.

Generic function that calls the string method for a list.

Generic function for calculating the sum of the items in a list. If an item is not numeric an error occurs.

Generic function for calculating the cumsum of the items in a list. If an item is not numeric an error occurs.

Generic function for calculating the sin of the items in a list. If an item is not numeric an error occurs.

Generic function for calculating the cos of the items in a list. If an item is not numeric an error occurs.

Generic function for calculating the sign of the items in a list. If an item is not numeric an error occurs.

Use much like `length(list(1, 2, 3))` or `length(c(1, 2, 3))`.

Arguments

x	a list
...	named args

Examples

```
as.character(list.py(1, 2, 3, 4))
```


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