

Package ‘commafree’

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Title Call Functions Without Commas Between Arguments

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Description Provides the ``comma-free call" operator: '%(%'. Use it to call a function without commas between the arguments. Just replace the '(' with '%(%' in a function call, supply your arguments as standard R expressions enclosed by '{ }', and be free of commas (for that call).

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Description

This allows you to call a function with expressions for arguments. It is especially useful for long, multi-line function calls with many arguments (e.g., a shiny UI definition, an R6 class definition, ...)

Usage

```
fn %(% args
```

Arguments

fn	A function
args	A set of expressions grouped by { }

Details

This %(%) merely performs a syntax transformation, so all the same semantics with regards to lazy argument evaluation apply. For any function call, replace (with %(% and be free of the need for commas between arguments in that call.

```
fn %(% {
  a
  b
  c
}
```

Is syntactically equivalent to writing:

```
func(
  a,
  b,
  c
)
```

Value

Whatever fn() called with args returns.

Note

You can produce a missing argument with the special token , , , or foo = ` , ` for a named missing arguments (see examples).

Examples

```
mean %(% {
  1:3
  na.rm = TRUE
}

writeLines(c %(% {
  "Hello"
  "Goodbye"
})
```

```
# setup helper demonstrating missing arguments
fn <- function(x, y) {
  if(missing(y))
    print("y was missing")
  else
    print(y)
}

# How to add a named missing argument
fn %({
  y = ``,`
})

# How to add a positional missing argument
fn %({
  1
  ``,`
})

fn %({ 1; ``,` })

rm(fn) # cleanup
```

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