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as.character	<i>Coerce to character vector</i>
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Description

Base R's `as.character()` does not support custom classes like `defined`. Calling `as.character()` on a `defined` vector will drop all metadata and class information, which equals to `as_character(x, preserve_attributes = FALSE)`.

`as_character()` is the recommended method to convert a `defined` vector to character. It is metadata-aware and ensures that the underlying data is character before coercion.

Usage

```
as.character(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
```

```
as.character(x, ...)
```

```
as_character(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
```

```
as_character(x, preserve_attributes = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A vector created with defined .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to internal methods (not used).
<code>preserve_attributes</code>	Defaults to <code>FALSE</code> . If set to <code>TRUE</code> , in which case the unit, concept and namespace attributes will be preserved, but the returned value will otherwise become a base R character vector. If false, then the effect will be similar to strip_defined .

Details

`as_character()` uses `preserve_attributes = TRUE`, the resulting vector will retain relevant metadata such as the unit, concept, and namespace attributes, but it will no longer be of class `defined`. If `preserve_attributes = FALSE` (default), a plain character vector is returned with all metadata and class dropped.

For numeric-based `defined` vectors, `as_character()` will throw an informative error to prevent accidental coercion of non-numeric data.

`as.character()` will give a warning that `as_character()` is the preferred method.

Value

A character vector.

See Also[strip_defined\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
as.character(defined(c("a", "b", "c"), label = "Letter code"))
as_character(defined(c("a", "b", "c"), label = "Letter code"))
fruits <- defined(c("apple", "avocado", "kiwi"), label = "Fruit", unit = "kg")
# Keep the metadata, but revert to base R character type:
as_character(fruits, preserve_attributes = TRUE)

# Revert back to base R character type, and do not keep the metadata:
as_character(fruits, preserve_attributes = FALSE)
```

as.numeric.haven_labelled_defined

Coerce a defined vector to numeric

Description

Base R's `as.numeric()` does not support custom classes like `defined`. Calling `as.numeric()` on a `defined` vector will drop all metadata and class information, which equals to `as_numeric(x, preserve_attributes = FALSE)`.

`as_numeric()` is the recommended method to convert a `defined` vector to numeric. It is metadata-aware and ensures that the underlying data is numeric before coercion.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
as.numeric(x, ...)

as_numeric(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
as_numeric(x, preserve_attributes = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A vector created with defined .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to internal methods (not used).
<code>preserve_attributes</code>	Defaults to <code>FALSE</code> , in which case the unit, concept and namespace attributes will be preserved, but the returned value will otherwise become a base R integer, double or numeric value. If false, then the effect will be similar to strip_defined .

Details

as_numeric() allows preserve_attributes = TRUE when the resulting vector will retain relevant metadata such as the unit, concept, and namespace attributes, but it will no longer be of class defined. If preserve_attributes = FALSE (default), a plain numeric vector is returned with all metadata and class dropped.

For character-based defined vectors, as_numeric() will throw an informative error to prevent accidental coercion of non-numeric data.

Value

A numeric vector.

See Also

[as_numeric](#)
[strip_defined\(\)](#)

Examples

```
as_numeric(orange_df$sage, preserve_attributes = TRUE)
gdp <- defined(c(3897L, 7365L), label = "GDP", unit = "million dollars")
gdp_numbers <- as_numeric(gdp)
gdp_numbers
attributes(gdp_numbers)

gdp_stripped <- as_numeric(gdp, preserve_attributes = FALSE)
attributes(gdp_stripped)
```

as_datacite

Create a bibentry object with DataCite metadata fields

Description

Add metadata conforming the [DataCite Metadata Schema](#).

Usage

```
as_datacite(x, type = "bibentry", ...)

datacite(
  Title,
  Creator,
  Identifier = NULL,
  Publisher = NULL,
  PublicationYear = NULL,
  Subject = subject_create(term = "data sets", subjectScheme =
    "Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)", schemeURI =
```

```

        "https://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects.html", valueURI =
        "http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh2018002256"),
    Type = "Dataset",
    Contributor = NULL,
    Date = ":tba",
    Datelist = NULL,
    Language = NULL,
    AlternateIdentifier = ":unas",
    RelatedIdentifier = ":unas",
    Format = ":tba",
    Version = "0.1.0",
    Rights = ":tba",
    Description = ":tba",
    Geolocation = ":unas",
    FundingReference = ":unas"
)

is.datacite(x)

## S3 method for class 'datacite'
is.datacite(x)

```

Arguments

x	An object that is tested if it has a class "datacite".
type	A DataCite 4.4 metadata can be returned as a type="list", a type="dataset_df", a type="bibentry" (default) or type="ntriples".
...	Optional parameters to add to a datacite object. author=person("Jane", "Doe") adds an author to the citation object if type="dataset". as_datacite(orange_df, type="list")
Title	The name(s) or title(s) by which a resource is known. May be the title of a dataset or the name of a piece of software. Similar to dct:title .
Creator	The main researchers involved in producing the data, or the authors of the publication, in priority order. To supply multiple creators, repeat this property.
Identifier	The Identifier is a unique string that identifies a resource. For software, determine whether the identifier is for a specific version of a piece of software, (per the Force11 Software Citation Principles , or for all versions. Similar to dct:title in dublincore() .
Publisher	The name of the entity that holds, archives, publishes prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces the resource. This property will be used to formulate the citation, so consider the prominence of the role. For software, use Publisher for the code repository. Mandatory in DataCite, and similar to dct:publisher . See publisher() .
PublicationYear	The year when the data was or will be made publicly available in YYYY format. See publication_year() .

Subject	Recommended for discovery. Subject, keyword, classification code, or key phrase describing the resource. Similar to dct:subject . Use subject to properly add a key phrase from a controlled vocabulary and create structured Subject objects with subject_create .
Type	Defaults to Dataset. The DataCite resourceType definition refers back to dcm:type . The Type\$resourceTypeGeneral is set to "Dataset", while the user can set a more specific Type\$resourceType value.
Contributor	Recommended for discovery. The institution or person responsible for collecting, managing, distributing, or otherwise contributing to the development of the resource.
Date	A character string in any of the following formats: YYYY, YYYY-MM-DD or YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ssTZD, or an R Date or POSIXct object. A list of dates (parameter DateList) is not yet implemented.
DateList	DataCite 4.4 allows to set multiple dates to a resource, they should be added as a list. Currently not yet implemented. See: datacite:Date .
Language	The primary language of the resource. Allowed values are taken from IETF BCP 47, ISO 639-1 language code. See language() .
AlternateIdentifier	An identifier or identifiers other than the primary Identifier applied to the resource being registered. This may be any alphanumeric string unique within its domain of issue. It may be used for local identifiers. AlternateIdentifier should be used for another identifier of the same instance (same location, same file). Defaults to ":unas" for unassigned values.
RelatedIdentifier	Recommended for discovery. Defaults to ":unas" for unassigned values. Similar to dct:relation .
Format	Technical format of the resource. Use file extension or MIME type where possible, e.g., PDF, XML, MPG or application/pdf, text/xml, video/mpeg. Similar to dct:format .
Version	Free text. Suggested practice: track major_version.minor_version. Defaults to "0.1.0". See version .
Rights	Any rights information for this resource. The property may be repeated to record complex rights characteristics, but this is not yet supported. Free text. See rights . Defaults to ":tba".
Description	Recommended for discovery. All additional information that does not fit in any of the other categories. It may be used for technical information—a free text. Defaults to ":tba". Similar to dct:description .
Geolocation	Recommended for discovery. Spatial region or named place where the data was gathered or about which the data is focused. See geolocation() .
FundingReference	Information about financial support (funding) for the resource being registered. Defaults to ":unas" for unassigned values. Complex types with subproperties are not yet implemented.

Details

DataCite is a leading global non-profit organisation that provides persistent identifiers (DOIs) for research data and other research outputs. Organisations within the research community join DataCite as members to be able to assign DOIs to all their research outputs. This way, their outputs become discoverable, and associated metadata is made available to the community.

The `ResourceType` property will be by definition "Dataset". The `Size` attribute (e.g. bytes, pages, inches, etc.) will automatically added to the dataset.

Value

`as_datacite(x, type)` returns the DataCite bibliographical metadata of `x` either as a list, a `bibentry` object, an N-Triples text serialisation or a `dataset_df` object.

`datacite()` creates a `utils::bibentry` object extended with standard Dublin Core bibliographical metadata, `as_datacite()` retrieves the contents of this `bibentry` object of a `dataset_df` from its attributes, and returns the contents as list, `dataset_df`, or `bibentry` object.

`is.datacite(x)` returns a logical values (if the object `x` is of class `datacite`).

Source

[DataCite 4.3 Mandatory Properties](#) and [DataCite 4.3 Optional Properties](#)

See Also

Other `bibentry` functions: [as_dublincore\(\)](#), [get_bibentry\(\)](#)

Examples

```
datacite(
  Title = "Growth of Orange Trees",
  Creator = c(
    person(
      given = "N.R.",
      family = "Draper",
      role = "cre",
      comment = c(VIAF = "http://viaf.org/viaf/84585260")
    ),
    person(
      given = "H",
      family = "Smith",
      role = "cre"
    )
  ),
  Publisher = "Wiley",
  Date = 1998,
  Language = "en"
)

# Bibliographic metadata as bibentry...
as_datacite(orange_df)
```



```
# ... or a list:
as_datacite(orange_df, "list")
```

as_dublincore	<i>Add or get Dublin Core metadata</i>
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Description

Add metadata conforming the [DCMI Metadata Terms](#). to datasets, i.e. structured R data.frame or list objects, for an accurate and consistent identification of a resource for citation and retrieval purposes.

Usage

```
as_dublincore(x, type = "bibentry", ...)
```

```
dublincore(
  title,
  creator,
  contributor = NULL,
  publisher = NULL,
  identifier = NULL,
  subject = NULL,
  type = "DCMITYPE:Dataset",
  dataset_date = NULL,
  language = NULL,
  relation = NULL,
  format = "application/r-rds",
  rights = NULL,
  datasource = NULL,
  description = NULL,
  coverage = NULL
)
```

```
is.dublincore(x)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'dublincore'
is.dublincore(x)
```

Arguments

x	An object that is tested if it has a class "dublincore".
type	The nature or genre of the resource. Recommended best practice is to use a controlled vocabulary such as the DCMI Type Vocabulary DCMITYPE . For a dataset, the correct term is Dataset. To describe the file format, physical medium, or dimensions of the resource, use the Format element.

...	Optional parameters to add to a dublincore object. <code>author=person("Jane", "Doe")</code> adds an author to the citation object if <code>type="dataset"</code> .
title	<code>dct:title</code> , a name given to the resource. <code>datacite</code> allows the use of alternate titles, too. See <code>dataset_title</code> .
creator	An entity primarily responsible for making the resource. <code>dct:creator</code> Corresponds to Creator in <code>datacite</code> . See <code>creator</code> .
contributor	An entity responsible for making contributions to the dataset. See <code>DCMI: Contributor</code> , and for possible contribution type, please review <code>MARC Code List for Relators</code> .
publisher	Corresponds to <code>dct:publisher</code> and Publisher in DataCite. The name of the entity that holds, archives, publishes prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces the resource. This property will be used to formulate the citation, so consider the prominence of the role. For software, use Publisher for the code repository. If there is an entity other than a code repository, that "holds, archives, publishes, prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces" the code, use the property Contributor/contributorType/hostingInstitution for the code repository. See <code>publisher</code> .
identifier	An unambiguous reference to the resource within a given context. Recommended practice is to identify the resource by means of a string conforming to an identification system. Examples include International Standard Book Number (ISBN), Digital Object Identifier (DOI), and Uniform Resource Name (URN). Select and identifier scheme from <code>registered URI schemes maintained by IANA</code> . More details: <code>Guidelines for using resource identifiers in Dublin Core metadata and IEEE LOM</code> . Similar to Identifier in <code>datacite</code> . See <code>identifier</code> .
subject	Defaults to NULL. See <code>subject</code> to add subject descriptions to your dataset.
dataset_date	Corresponds to a point or period of time associated with an event in the life-cycle of the resource. <code>dct:date</code> . Date is also recommended for discovery in <code>datacite</code> , but it requires a different formatting. To avoid confusion with date-related functions, instead of the DCMITERMS date or the DataCite Date term, the parameter name is <code>dataset_date</code> .
language	A language of the dataset. See <code>DCMI: Language</code> .
relation	A related resource. Recommended best practice is to identify the related resource by means of a string conforming to a formal identification system. See: <code>dct:relation</code> . Similar to RelatedItem in <code>datacite</code> , which is recommended for discovery.
format	The file format, physical medium, or dimensions of the dataset. See <code>DCMI: Format</code> .
rights	Corresponds to <code>dct:rights</code> and <code>datacite</code> Rights. Information about rights held in and over the resource. Typically, rights information includes a statement about various property rights associated with the resource, including intellectual property rights. See <code>rights</code> .
datasource	The source of the dataset, <code>DCMI: Source</code> , which corresponds to a relatedItem in the DataCite vocabulary. We use <code>datasource</code> instead of <code>source</code> to avoid naming conflicts with the

description	An account of the resource. It may include but is not limited to: an abstract, a table of contents, a graphical representation, or a free-text account of the resource. dct:description . In datacite it is recommended for discovery. See description .
coverage	The spatial or temporal topic of the resource, spatial applicability of the dataset, or jurisdiction under which the dataset is relevant. See DCMI: Coverage .

Details

The Dublin Core, also known as the Dublin Core Metadata Element Set (DCMES), is a set of fifteen main metadata items for describing digital or physical resources, such as datasets or their printed versions. Dublin Core has been formally standardized internationally as ISO 15836, as IETF RFC 5013 by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), as well as in the U.S. as ANSI/NISO Z39.85.

To provide compatibility with [bibentry](#) we try to add dataset_date parameter first as publication_date metadata field, and as a year field, too. This element can be get or set with [publication_year](#).

The ResourceType property will be by definition "Dataset". The Size attribute (e.g. bytes, pages, inches, etc.) will automatically added to the dataset.

Value

dublincore() creates a `utils::bibentry` object extended with standard Dublin Core bibliographical metadata, `as_dublincore()` retrieves the contents of this bibentry object of a dataset_df from its attributes, and returns the contents as list, dataset_df, or bibentry object, or an ntriples string.

A logical value, if the bibliographic entries are listed according to the Dublin Core specification.

Source

[DCMI Metadata Terms](#).

See Also

Other bibentry functions: [as_datacite\(\)](#), [get_bibentry\(\)](#)

Examples

```
orange_bibentry <- dublincore(
  title = "Growth of Orange Trees",
  creator = c(
    person(
      given = "N.R.",
      family = "Draper",
      role = "cre",
      comment = c(VIAF = "http://viaf.org/viaf/84585260")
    ),
    person(
      given = "H",
      family = "Smith",
      role = "cre"
    )
  )
)
```

```

),
contributor = person(
  given = "Antal",
  family = "Daniel",
  role = "dtm"
), #' Add data manager
publisher = "Wiley",
datasource = "https://isbsearch.org/isbn/9780471170822",
dataset_date = 1998,
identifier = "https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.14917851",
language = "en",
description = "The Orange data frame has 35 rows and 3 columns\n
              of records of the growth of orange trees."
)

# To review the existing dataset_bibentry of a dataset_df object:
as_dublincore(orange_df, type = "list")

```

as_factor	<i>Coerce to factor vector</i>
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Description

Coerce to factor vector

Usage

```
as_factor(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	A vector created with defined .
...	Further arguments passed to internal methods (not used).

Value

A factor vector.

Examples

```

sex <- defined(
  c(0, 1, 1, 0),
  label = "Sex",
  labels = c("Female" = 0, "Male" = 1)
)
as_factor(sex)

```

bibrecord

Create a modern bibrecord-compatible metadata object

Description

Create a `utils::bibentry`-compatible object extended with standard Dublin Core and DataCite-compatible fields. This serves as a unified metadata structure for use in both `dublincore()` and `datacite()` functions.

Usage

```
bibrecord(
  title,
  author,
  contributor = NULL,
  publisher = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  date = Sys.Date(),
  identifier = NULL,
  subject = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>title</code>	A character string, the dataset title.
<code>author</code>	A list or vector of <code>utils::person</code> objects. Mapped to creator in DataCite and DCTERMS.
<code>contributor</code>	Optional list/vector of <code>utils::person</code> . Contributor roles are merged if repeated.
<code>publisher</code>	Character string or person. The publishing entity.
<code>year</code>	Publication year. Derived from date if not explicitly provided.
<code>date</code>	A character string or Date object.
<code>identifier</code>	Unique identifier (e.g., DOI).
<code>subject</code>	Optional keyword(s) or controlled vocabulary string.
<code>...</code>	Additional fields (e.g., language, format, rights, description).

Value

An object of class `bibrecord` and `bibentry`. `bibrecord(title = "Gross domestic product, volumes", author = person("Eurosat"), publisher = person("Eurostat"), identifier = "https://doi.org/10.2908/TEINA011", date = as.Date("2025-05-20"))`

bind_defined_rows	<i>Bind strictly defined rows</i>
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Description

Add rows of dataset *y* to dataset *x*, validating all semantic metadata. Metadata (labels, units, concept definitions, namespaces) must match exactly. Additional dataset-level metadata such as title and creator can be overridden using `...`

Usage

```
bind_defined_rows(x, y, ..., strict = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>dataset_df</code> object.
<code>y</code>	A <code>dataset_df</code> object to bind to <i>x</i> .
<code>...</code>	Optional dataset-level attributes such as title or creator to override.
<code>strict</code>	Logical. If TRUE (default), require full semantic compatibility, including rowid.

Details

This function combines two semantically enriched datasets created with `dataset_df()`. All variable-level attributes — including labels, units, concept definitions, and namespaces — must match. If `strict = TRUE` (the default), the row identifier namespace (used in the `rowid` column) must also match exactly.

If `strict = FALSE`, row identifiers from *y* may differ and will be ignored; the output will inherit *x*'s row identifier scheme.

Value

A new `dataset_df` object with rows from *x* and *y*, combined semantically.

Examples

```
A <- dataset_df(
  length = defined(c(10, 15),
    label = "Length",
    unit = "cm", namespace = "http://example.org"
  ),
  identifier = c(id = "http://example.org/dataset#"),
  dataset_bibentry = dublincore(
    title = "Dataset A",
    creator = person("Alice", "Smith")
  )
)
```

```
B <- dataset_df(
  length = defined(c(20, 25),
    label = "Length",
    unit = "cm", namespace = "http://example.org"
  ),
  identifier = c(id = "http://example.org/dataset#")
)

bind_defined_rows(A, B) # succeeds

C <- dataset_df(
  length = defined(c(30, 35),
    label = "Length",
    unit = "cm", namespace = "http://example.org"
  ),
  identifier = c(id = "http://another.org/dataset#")
)

## Not run:
bind_defined_rows(A, C, strict = TRUE) # fails: mismatched rowid

## End(Not run)

bind_defined_rows(A, C, strict = FALSE) # succeeds: rowid inherited
```

c.haven_labelled_defined

Combine Values into a defined Vector

Description

The `c()` method with the `haven_labelled_defined` class requires a strict matching of the `var_label`, `unit`, `definiton`, and `namespace` attributes (if they exist and do not have a `NULL` value)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
c(...)
```

Arguments

... objects to be concatenated.

Value

A `haven_labelled_defined` vector.

See Also

[defined\(\)](#)

Examples

```
a <- defined(1:3, label = "Length", unit = "meter")
b <- defined(4:6, label = "Length", unit = "meter")
c(a, b)
```

creator

Get/set the Creator of the object.

Description

Add the optional Creator property as an attribute to a dataset object.

Usage

```
creator(x)
```

```
creator(x, overwrite = TRUE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A semantically rich data frame object created by <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a message with the current Creator property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to TRUE when the attribute is set to value regardless of previous setting.
value	The Creator as a <code>utils::person</code> object.

Details

The Creator corresponds to `dct:creator` in Dublin Core and Creator in DataCite. The name of the entity that holds, archives, publishes prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces the dataset. This property will be used to formulate the citation, so consider the prominence of the role.

Value

The Creator attribute as a character of length one is added to x.

See Also

Other Bibliographic reference functions: `dataset_title()`

Examples

```
creator(orange_df)
# To change author:
creator(orange_df) <- person("Jane", "Doe")
# To add author:
creator(orange_df, overwrite = FALSE) <- person("John", "Doe")
```


dataset_df

*Create a new dataset_df object***Description**

The dataset_df constructor creates the objects of this class, which are semantically rich, modern data frames inherited from `tibble::tibble`.

Usage

```
dataset_df(
  ...,
  identifier = c(eg = "http://example.com/dataset#"),
  var_labels = NULL,
  units = NULL,
  concepts = NULL,
  dataset_bibentry = NULL,
  dataset_subject = NULL
)

as_dataset_df(
  df,
  identifier = c(eg = "http://example.com/dataset#"),
  var_labels = NULL,
  units = NULL,
  concepts = NULL,
  dataset_bibentry = NULL,
  dataset_subject = NULL,
  ...
)

is.dataset_df(x)

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

is_dataset_df(x)
```

Arguments

<code>...</code>	The vectors (variables) that should be included in the dataset.
<code>identifier</code>	Defaults to <code>c(eg="http://example.com/dataset#")</code> , which should be changed to the permanent identifier of the dataset. For example, if your dataset will be released with the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) <code>https://doi.org/1234</code> , you should use a short prefixed identifier like <code>c(obs="https://doi.org/1234#")</code> , which will resolve to the rows being identified as <code>https://doi.org/1234#1...https://doi.org/1234#n</code> .

var_labels	The long, human readable labels of each variable.
units	The units of measurement for the measured variables.
concepts	The linked concepts of the variables, attributes, or constants.
dataset_bibentry	A list of bibliographic references and descriptive metadata about the dataset as a whole created with datacite or dublincore .
dataset_subject	The subject of the dataset, see subject .
df	A <code>data.frame</code> to be converted to <code>dataset_df</code> .
x	A <code>dataset_df</code> object for S3 methods.

Details

To check if an object has the class `dataset_df` use `is.dataset_df`.

`print` is the method to print out the semantically rich data frames created with the constructor of `dataset_df`.

`summary` is the method to summarise these semantically rich data frames.

For more details, please check the `vignette("dataset_df", package = "dataset")` vignette.

Value

`dataset_df` is the constructor of this type, it returns an object inherited from a data frame with semantically rich metadata.

`is.dataset_df` returns a logical value (if the object is of class `dataset_df`.)

Examples

```
my_dataset <- dataset_df(
  country_name = defined(
    c("AD", "LI"),
    concept = "http://data.europa.eu/bna/c_6c2bb82d",
    namespace = "https://www.geonames.org/countries/$1/"
  ),
  gdp = defined(
    c(3897, 7365),
    label = "Gross Domestic Product",
    unit = "million dollars",
    concept = "http://data.europa.eu/83i/aa/GDP"
  ),
  dataset_bibentry = dublincore(
    title = "GDP of Andorra And Lichtenstein",
    description = "A small but semantically rich dataset example.",
    creator = person("Jane", "Doe", role = "cre"),
    publisher = "Open Data Institute",
    language = "en")
)
```

```
# Use standard methods, like print, summary, head, tail
print(my_dataset)
head(my_dataset)
tail(my_dataset)

# Check class:
is.dataset_df(my_dataset)

# To check the bibliographic metadata of a dataset,
# use as_dublincore for DCTERMS:
as_dublincore(my_dataset)

# ... and as_datacite for DataCite:
as_datacite(my_dataset)
```

dataset_title	<i>Get/set the title of a dataset</i>
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Description

Get or reset the dataset's main title.

Usage

```
dataset_title(x)

dataset_title(x, overwrite = FALSE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A dataset object created with dataset_df() or as_dataset_df() .
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a warning with the current title property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to FALSE.
value	The name(s) or title(s) by which a resource is known. See: dct:title .

Details

In the DataCite definition, several titles can be used; it is not yet implemented.

Value

A string with the dataset's title; `set_dataset_title` returns a dataset object with the changed (main) title.

See Also

Other Bibliographic reference functions: [creator\(\)](#)

Examples

```
dataset_title(orange_df)
dataset_title(orange_df, overwrite = TRUE) <- "The Growth of Orange Trees"
dataset_title(orange_df)
```

dataset_to_triples	<i>Dataset to triples (three columns)</i>
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Description

The dataset is converted into a three-column long format with columns *s* for subject, *p* for predicate and *o* for object.

Usage

```
dataset_to_triples(x, idcol = NULL)
```

Arguments

<i>x</i>	An R object that contains the data of the dataset (a <code>data.frame</code> or inherited from <code>data.frame</code>), for example, <code>dataset_df()</code> .
<i>idcol</i>	The identifier column. If <i>idcol</i> is <code>NULL</code> it attempts to use the <code>row.names(df)</code> as an <i>idcol</i> .

Value

The long form version of the original dataset, retaining the attributes and class.

Examples

```
dataset_to_triples(orange_df)
```

defined	<i>Create a semantically well-defined, labelled vector</i>
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Description

Creates a semantically well-defined vector enriched with metadata. `defined()` is an S3 constructor that extends numeric or character vectors with a human-readable label, unit of measurement, linked concept, and optional namespace. These objects preserve semantics while behaving like standard vectors in comparisons, printing, and subsetting. The `defined` constructor creates the objects of this class, which are semantically extended vectors inherited from `haven::labelled`.

Usage

```
defined(
  x,
  labels = NULL,
  label = NULL,
  unit = NULL,
  concept = NULL,
  namespace = NULL,
  ...
)

is.defined(x)

## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A vector to label. Must be either numeric (integer or double) or character.
<code>labels</code>	A named vector or NULL. The vector should be the same type as <code>x</code> . Unlike factors, labels don't need to be exhaustive: only a fraction of the values might be labelled.
<code>label</code>	A short, human-readable description of the vector or NULL.
<code>unit</code>	A character string of length one containing the unit of measure or NULL.
<code>concept</code>	A character string of length one containing a linked concept or NULL.
<code>namespace</code>	A namespace for individual observations or categories or NULL.
<code>...</code>	Further parameters for inheritance, not in use.
<code>object</code>	An R object to be summarised.

Details

A defined vector is an extension of a base vector with additional semantic metadata:

- A **label** (`label`): a short human-readable description
- A **unit** (`unit`): e.g., "kg", "hours", "USD"
- A **concept** (`concept`): a URI or textual reference
- A **namespace** (`namespace`): for URI-based observation or value identifiers

The class inherits from `haven::labelled`, supports typical vector operations (subsetting, comparisons, printing), and integrates with tibbles and tidy workflows via custom `format()`, `print()`, and `as.vector()` methods.

Use `is.defined()` to test if an object is of class `defined`. Use `as_numeric()` and `as_character()` to coerce to base types.

Value

The constructor `defined` returns a vector with defined value labels, a variable label, an optional unit of measurement and linked concept.

`is.defined` returns a logical value, stating if the object is of class `defined`.

See Also

Other defined metadata methods and functions: `var_label()`, `var_namespace()`, `var_unit()`

Examples

```
gdp_vector <- defined(
  c(3897, 7365, 6753),
  label = "Gross Domestic Product",
  unit = "million dollars",
  concept = "http://data.europa.eu/83i/aa/GDP"
)

# To check the s3 class of the vector:
is.defined(gdp_vector)

# To print the defined vector:
print(gdp_vector)

# To summarise the defined vector:
summary(gdp_vector)

# Subsetting work as expected:
gdp_vector[1:2]
```

describe

Describe a dataset

Description

Describe a dataset

Usage

```
describe(x, con = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>dataset_df</code> object.
<code>con</code>	A connection, for example, <code>con=tempfile()</code> .

Value

The description of the `dataset_df` object is written to the connection in the N-Triples form. If `con=NULL`, then the serialisation takes place in `tempfile()` and the contents are printed to the console; if a file is given, than no output is returned.

Examples

```
# See the serialisation on the screen:
describe(orange_df)

# Save it to a connection:
temporary_connection <- tempfile()
describe(orange_df, con = temporary_connection)
```

description	<i>Get/set the Description of the object.</i>
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Description

Get/set the optional Description property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
description(x)

description(x, overwrite = FALSE) <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A dataset object created with <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
<code>overwrite</code>	If the Description attribute should be overwritten. In case it is set to <code>FALSE</code> , it gives a message with the current Description property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to <code>FALSE</code> , when it gives a warning at an accidental overwrite attempt.
<code>value</code>	The Description as a character set.

Details

The Description is recommended for discovery in DataCite. All additional information that does not fit in any of the other categories. May be used for technical information. A free text. Similar to `dct:description`.

Value

The Description attribute as a character of length 1 is added to `x`.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: [geolocation\(\)](#), [identifier\(\)](#), [language](#), [publication_year\(\)](#), [publisher\(\)](#), [rights\(\)](#)

Examples

```
description(orange_df)
description(
  orange_df,
  overwrite = TRUE
) <- "The 'orange' dataset has 35 rows and 3 columns
      of records of the growth of orange trees."
description(orange_df)
```

geolocation	<i>Get/set the Geolocation of the object.</i>
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Description

Get/set the optional Geolocation property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
geolocation(x)

geolocation(x, overwrite = TRUE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A semantically rich data frame object created by <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a message with the current Geolocation property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to TRUE when the attribute is set to value regardless of previous setting.
value	The Geolocation as a character string.

Details

The Geolocation is recommended for discovery in DataCite 4.4. Spatial region or named place where the data was gathered or about which the data is focused. See: [datacite:Geolocation](#).

Value

The Geolocation attribute as a character of length 1 is added to x.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: [description\(\)](#), [identifier\(\)](#), [language](#), [publication_year\(\)](#), [publisher\(\)](#), [rights\(\)](#)

Examples

```
orange_dataset <- orange_df
geolocation(orange_df) <- "US"
geolocation(orange_df)

geolocation(orange_df, overwrite = FALSE) <- "GB"
```

get_bibentry

Get/set the Bibentry of the object.

Description

The [dataset_df](#) objects contain among their attributes bibliographic entries which are stored in a [utils::bibentry](#) object. Upon creation, these entries are filled with default values when applicable.

To retrieve the bibentry of a dataset_df object, use `get_bibentry`.

To create a new bibentry, use the [datacite](#) function for an interface and default values according to the DataCite standard, or the [dublincore](#) function for the more general Dublin Core standard.

To change or an entire new bibliographic entry to a dataset_df object (or any data.frame-like object), use the ``set_bibentry<-`` function (see examples.) For more details, please check the `vignette("bibentry", package="dataset")` vignette.

Usage

```
get_bibentry(dataset)

set_bibentry(dataset) <- value
```

Arguments

dataset	A dataset created with dataset_df .
value	A utils::bibentry object, or a newly initialised bibentry object with DataCite default values for unassigned entries.

Value

The `get_bibentry` returns from the [bibentry](#) object of `x` from its attributes; the ``set_bibentry<-`` assignment function sets this attribute to `value` and invisibly returns `x` with the changed attributes. To set well-formatted input value, refer to [datacite](#) or [dublincore](#) (see Details.)

See Also

Other bibentry functions: [as_datacite\(\)](#), [as_dublincore\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get the bibentry of a dataset_df object:
orange_bibentry <- get_bibentry(orange_df)

# Create a well-formatted bibentry object:
alternative_bibentry <- datacite(
  Creator = person("Jane Doe"),
  Title = "The Orange Trees Dataset",
  Publisher = "MyOrg"
)

# Assign the new bibentry object:
set_bibentry(orange_df) <- alternative_bibentry

# Print the bibentry object according to the DataCite notation:
as_datacite(orange_df, "list")

# Print the bibentry object according to the Dublin Core notation:
as_dublincore(orange_df, "list")
```

`get_variable_concepts` *Get concepts for all variables in a dataset_df*

Description

Returns a named list of concept URIs (or NULLs) for all variables.

Usage

```
get_variable_concepts(x)
```

Arguments

x A dataset_df object.

Value

A named list of concept URIs for each variable.

Examples

```
get_variable_concepts(orange_df)
```

identifier	<i>Get/set the Identifier of the object.</i>
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Description

Add the optional Identifier property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
identifier(x)

identifier(x, overwrite = TRUE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	An <code>dataset_df</code> object or a <code>utils::bibentry</code> object, including possibly an instance of its <code>dublincore</code> or <code>datacite</code> subclass.
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a message with the current Identifier property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to TRUE when the attribute is set to value regardless of previous setting.
value	The Identifier as a character string.

Details

The Identifier is an unambiguous reference to the resource within a given context. Recommended practice is to identify the resource by means of a string conforming to an identification system. Examples include International Standard Book Number (ISBN), Digital Object Identifier (DOI), and Uniform Resource Name (URN). Select and identifier scheme from [registered URI schemes maintained by IANA](#). More details: [Guidelines for using resource identifiers in Dublin Core metadata and IEEE LOM](#). Similar to Identifier in [datacite](#). [DataCite 4.4](#).

It is not part of the "core" Dublin Core terms, but we always add it to the metadata attributes of a dataset (in case you use a strict Dublin Core property sheet you can omit it.) [Dublin Core metadata terms](#).

Value

The Identifier attribute as a character of length 1 is added to x.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: [description\(\)](#), [geolocation\(\)](#), [language](#), [publication_year\(\)](#), [publisher\(\)](#), [rights\(\)](#)

Examples

```
identifier(orange_df)
orange_copy <- orange_df
identifier(orange_copy) <- "https://doi.org/99999/99999999"
```

id_to_column	<i>Add identifier to columns</i>
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Description

Add a prefixed identifier to the first column of the dataset.

Usage

```
id_to_column(x, prefix = "eg:", ids = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	A dataset created with dataset_df .
prefix	Defaults to eg: (example.com).
ids	Defaults to NULL.

Value

A dataset conforming the original sub-class of x.

Examples

```
# Example with a dataset_df object:
id_to_column(orange_df)

# Example with a data.frame object:
id_to_column(Orange, prefix = "orange:")
```

iris_dataset	<i>Edgar Anderson's Iris Data</i>
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Description

This famous (Fisher's or Anderson's) iris data set gives the measurements in centimetres of the variables sepal length and width and petal length and width, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of 3 species of iris. The species are *Iris setosa*, *versicolor*, and *virginica*. This is a replication of `datasets::iris` as *dataset* s3 class.

Usage

```
iris_dataset
```

Format

iris is a data frame with 150 cases (rows) and 6 variables (columns) named rowid, Sepal.Length, Sepal.Width, Petal.Length, Petal.Width, and Species.

Details

See `datasets::iris` for details.

Source

Fisher, R. A. (1936) The use of multiple measurements in taxonomic problems. *Annals of Eugenics*, 7, Part II, p179–188.

The data were collected by Anderson, Edgar (1935). The irises of the Gaspé Peninsula, *Bulletin of the American Iris Society*, 59, 2–5.

References

Becker, R. A., Chambers, J. M. and Wilks, A. R. (1988) *The New S Language*. Wadsworth & Brooks/Cole.

language	<i>Get/set the primary language of the dataset</i>
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Description

Add the optional Language property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
language(x)

language(x, iso_639_code = "639-3") <- value
```

Arguments

x	A semantically rich data frame object created by <code>dataset_df</code> or <code>as_dataset_df</code> .
iso_639_code	Defaults to ISO 639-3, alternative is ISO 639-1.
value	The language to be added to the object attributes, added by name, or as a 2- or 3-character code for the language. You can add a language code or language name, and the parameter is normalized to <code>tolower(language)</code> . (The ISO 639 standard capitalizes language names and uses lower case for the codes.)

Details

Language is an optional property in DataCite 4.4; see: `datacite:Language`. It is a part of the "core" of the **Dublin Core metadata terms**. The language parameter is validated against the `[ISOcodes]{ISO_639_2}` table. The attribute language is added to the object. It will be exported into DataCite applications in a capitalized Lanugage format.

Value

The Language is added to the x as ISO 639-1, the Datacite recommendation, or ISO 639-3 used by the Zenodo data repository.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: [description\(\)](#), [geolocation\(\)](#), [identifier\(\)](#), [publication_year\(\)](#), [publisher\(\)](#), [rights\(\)](#)

Examples

```
myorange <- orange_df
language(myorange) <- "English"
language(myorange)
language(myorange) <- "fr"
language(myorange)
```

n_triple

Create an N-Triple

Description

Create a single N-Triple triple.

Usage

```
n_triple(s, p, o)
```

Arguments

s	The subject of a triplet.
p	The predicate of a triplet.
o	The object of a triplet.

Details

N-Triples is an easy to parse line-based subset of Turtle to serialize RDF. An N-Triple triple is a sequence of RDF terms representing the subject, predicate and object of an RDF Triple. Use [n_triples](#) to serialize multiple statements.

Value

A character vector containing one N-Triple string.

Source

[RDF 1.1 N-Triples](#)

Examples

```
s <- "http://example.org/show/218"
p <- "http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label"
o <- "That Seventies Show"
n_triple(s, p, o)
```

n_triples*Create N-Triples*

Description

Create triple statements to annotate your dataset with standard, interoperable metadata.

Usage

```
n_triples(triples)
```

Arguments

triples Concatenated N-Triples created with [n_triple](#).

Details

N-Triples is an easy to parse line-based subset of Turtle to serialize RDF. See [RDF 1.2 N-Triples](#).
[A line-based syntax for an RDF graph](#).

Value

A character vector containing unique N-Triple strings.

Examples

```
triple_1 <- n_triple(
  "http://example.org/show/218",
  "http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label",
  "That Seventies Show"
)
triple_2 <- n_triple(
  "http://example.org/show/218",
  "http://example.org/show/labelName",
  "'Cette Série des Années Septante"@fr-be'
)
n_triples(c(triple_1, triple_2, triple_1))
```

`orange_df`*Growth of Orange Trees*

Description

The Orange data frame has 35 rows and 3 columns of records of the growth of orange trees. This is a replication of `datasets::Orange` as *dataset_df* s3 class.

Usage

```
orange_df
```

Format

`orange_df` is a data frame with 35 cases (rows) and 3 variables (columns) named `rowid`, `tree`, `age`, `circumference`.

Details

See `datasets::Orange` for details.

Source

Draper, N. R. and Smith, H. (1998), Applied Regression Analysis (3rd ed), Wiley (exercise 24.N).
Pinheiro, J. C. and Bates, D. M. (2000) Mixed-effects Models in S and S-PLUS, Springer.

References

Becker, R. A., Chambers, J. M. and Wilks, A. R. (1988) The New S Language. Wadsworth & Brooks/Cole.

Examples

```
# The columns allow rich semantic definitions
print(orange_df)

# Each column may have a concept and namespace definition, and a long-form
# human readable label:
print(orange_df$age)

# The bibliographical record of the dataset is not detached from the
# data.frame, tibble, or similar tabular structured object:
as_dublincore(orange_df)
```

provenance	<i>Get or update provenance information</i>
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Description

Add or update information about the history (provenance) of the dataset.

Usage

```
provenance(x)

provenance(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A dataset created with <code>dataset_df</code> .
value	Use <code>n_triples</code> to add further statement values.

Value

`provenance(x)` returns the provenance attributes created by `n_triples` as a text; `provenance(x)<-value` adds the new provenance attributes and returns x invisibly.

Examples

```
provenance(orange_df)

## add a statement:

provenance(orange_df) <- n_triple(
  "https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.14917851",
  "http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#wasInformedBy",
  "isbn:9780471170822"
)
```

publication_year	<i>Get/set the publication_year of the object.</i>
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Description

Get/set the optional `publication_year` property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
publication_year(x)

publication_year(x, overwrite = TRUE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A semantically rich data frame object created by <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a message with the current PublicationYear property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to TRUE when the attribute is set to value regardless of previous setting.
value	The publication_year as a character set.

Details

The PublicationYear is the year when the data was or will be made publicly available in YYYY format. See **Publication Year: DataCite Additional Guidance**.

Value

Returns the year metadata field of the DataBibentry of the dataset

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: `description()`, `geolocation()`, `identifier()`, `language`, `publisher()`, `rights()`

Examples

```
publication_year(orange_df)
publication_year(orange_df) <- 1998
```

publisher	<i>Get/set the Publisher of the object.</i>
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Description

Add the optional Publisher property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
publisher(x)

publisher(x, overwrite = TRUE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A dataset object created with <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
overwrite	If the attributes should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a warning with the current publisher property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to FALSE.
value	The Publisher as a character set.

Details

The Publisher corresponds to dct:publisher and Publisher in DataCite. The name of the entity that holds, archives, publishes prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces the resource. This property will be used to formulate the citation, so consider the prominence of the role. For software, use Publisher for the code repository. If there is an entity other than a code repository, that "holds, archives, publishes, prints, distributes, releases, issues, or produces" the code, use the property Contributor/contributorType/ hostingInstitution for the code repository.

Value

The Publisher attribute as a character of length 1 is added to x.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: [description\(\)](#), [geolocation\(\)](#), [identifier\(\)](#), [language](#), [publication_year\(\)](#), [rights\(\)](#)

Examples

```
publisher(orange_df) <- "Wiley"
publisher(orange_df)
```

rights	<i>Get/set the Rights of the object.</i>
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Description

Get/set the optional Rights property as an attribute to an R object.

Usage

```
rights(x)

rights(x, overwrite = FALSE) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A semantically rich data frame object created by <code>dataset::dataset_df</code> or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
overwrite	If the Rights attribute should be overwritten. In case it is set to FALSE, it gives a message with the current Rights property instead of overwriting it. Defaults to FALSE.
value	The Rights as a character set.

Details

Rights corresponds to `dct:rights` and `datacite Rights`. Information about rights held in and over the resource. Typically, rights information includes a statement about various property rights associated with the resource, including intellectual property rights.

Value

The Rights attribute as a character of length 1 is added to `x`.

See Also

Other Reference metadata functions: `description()`, `geolocation()`, `identifier()`, `language`, `publication_year()`, `publisher()`

Examples

```
rights(orange_df) <- "CC-BY-SA"
rights(orange_df)
```

strip_defined

Strip the class from a defined vector

Description

Converts a defined vector to a base R numeric or character, retaining metadata as passive attributes.

Usage

```
strip_defined(x)
```

Arguments

`x` A defined vector.

Value

A base R vector with attributes (`label`, `unit`, etc.) intact.

See Also

`as_numeric()`, `as_character()`

Examples

```
gdp <- defined(c(3897L, 7365L), label = "GDP", unit = "million dollars")
strip_defined(gdp)

fruits <- defined(c("apple", "avocado", "kiwi"),
  label = "Fruit", unit = "kg"
)
strip_defined(fruits)
```

subject	Create/add/retrieve a subject
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Description

Create/add/retrieve a subject

Usage

```
subject(x)

subject_create(
  term,
  schemeURI = NULL,
  valueURI = NULL,
  prefix = NULL,
  subjectScheme = NULL,
  classificationCode = NULL
)

subject(x) <- value

is.subject(x)
```

Arguments

x	A dataset object created with dataset_df or <code>dataset::as_dataset_df</code> .
term	A subject term, for example, "Data sets".
schemeURI	The URI of the subject identifier scheme, for example "http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects"
valueURI	The URI of the subject term. "https://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh2018002256"
prefix	An abbreviated prefix of a scheme URI, for example, "lcch:" representing "http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects". Widely used namespaces (schemes) have conventional abbreviations.
subjectScheme	The name of the subject scheme or classification code or authority if one is used. It is a namespace.

classificationCode	The classificationCode subproperty may be used for subject schemes, like ANZSRC, which do not have valueURIs for each subject term.
value	A subject field created by subject . The subject field is overwritten with this value.

Details

The subject class and its function record the subject property of the dataset. The DataCite definition allows the use of multiple subproperties, however, these cannot be added to the standard [utils::bibentry](#) object. Therefore, if the user sets the value of the subject field to a character string, it is added to the bibentry of the dataset, and also to a separate subject attribute. If the user wants to use the more detailed subproperties (see examples with [subject_create](#)), then the `subject$term` value is added to the bibentry as a text, and the more complex subject object is added as a separate attribute to the `dataset_df` object.[#]

Value

`subject(x)` returns the subject attribute of the [dataset_df](#) object `x`, `subject(x)<-value` sets the same attribute to `value` and invisibly returns the `x` object with the changed attributes.

A `subject_create` returns a named list with the subject term, the subject scheme, URIs and prefix.

`is.subject` returns a logical value, TRUE if the subject as a list is well-formatted by [subject_create](#) with its necessary key-value pairs.

Examples

```
# To set the subject of a dataset_df object:
subject(orange_df) <- subject_create(
  term = "Oranges",
  schemeURI = "http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects",
  valueURI = "http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh85095257",
  subjectScheme = "LCCH",
  prefix = "lcch:"
)

# To retrieve the subject with its subproperties:
subject(orange_df)
```

var_concept

Get / set a concept definition for a vector or a dataset

Description

Assigns a concept URI to a vector created with `defined()`. This method updates the concept attribute and validates that the input is a single character string or NULL.

Usage

```
var_concept(x, ...)

var_concept(x) <- value

## Default S3 replacement method:
var_concept(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x A vector to which the concept URI will be assigned.

... Further parameters for inheritance, not in use.

value A character string with a concept URI or NULL to remove the concept.

Details

get_variable_concepts() is identical to var_concept().

Value

The (linked) concept of the meaning of the data contained by a vector constructed with [defined](#).

The modified vector with updated concept metadata.

Examples

```
small_country_dataset <- dataset_df(
  country_name = defined(c("Andorra", "Lichtenstein"), label = "Country"),
  gdp = defined(c(3897, 7365),
    label = "Gross Domestic Product",
    unit = "million dollars"
  )
)
var_concept(small_country_dataset$country_name) <- "http://data.europa.eu/bna/c_6c2bb82d"
var_concept(small_country_dataset$country_name)
# To remove a concept definition of variable
var_concept(small_country_dataset$country_name) <- NULL
x <- defined(c(1, 2, 3), label = "Example Variable")
var_concept(x) <- "http://example.org/concept/XYZ"
var_concept(x)
```

var_label

Get / Set a variable label

Description

Add a human readable, easier to understand label as a metadata attribute to a variable or vector than the programmatic vector object name, or column name in the data frame.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'defined'
var_label(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'dataset_df'
var_label(
  x,
  unlist = FALSE,
  null_action = c("keep", "fill", "skip", "na", "empty"),
  recurse = FALSE,
  ...
)

label_attribute(x)

var_label(x) <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'
var_label(x) <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'dataset_df'
var_label(x) <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a vector or a data.frame
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to or used by methods.
<code>unlist</code>	for data frames, return a named vector instead of a list
<code>null_action</code>	for data frames, by default NULL will be returned for columns with no variable label. Use "fill" to populate with the column name instead, "skip" to remove such values from the returned list, "na" to populate with NA or "empty" to populate with an empty string ("").
<code>recurse</code>	if TRUE, will apply <code>var_label()</code> on packed columns (see <code>tidyr::pack()</code>) to return the variable labels of each sub-column; otherwise, the label of the group of columns will be returned.
<code>value</code>	a character string or NULL to remove the label For data frames, with <code>var_labels()</code> , it could also be a named list or a character vector of same length as the number of columns in <code>x</code> .

Details

See `labelled::var_label` for details about variable labels.

See `vignette("defined", package = "dataset")` to use comprehensively with variable labels, namespaces, units of measures, and machine-independent permanent variable identifiers.

Value

`var_label()` returns the label attribute as a character string. The `var_label<-` assignment method allows to add, remove, or overwrite this attribute on a vector `x`. The assignment function returns the `x` vector invisibly.

See Also

Other defined metadata methods and functions: [defined\(\)](#), [var_namespace\(\)](#), [var_unit\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Retrieve the label attribute:
var_label(orange_df$circumference)

# To (re)set the label attribute:
`var_label<-`(orange_df$circumference, "circumference (breast height)")
```

var_namespace	<i>Get / Set a namespace of measure</i>
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Description

Retain the namespace part of a permanent, global variable identifier which is independent of the R instance in use.

Usage

```
var_namespace(x, ...)

var_namespace(x) <- value

get_variable_namespaces(x, ...)

namespace_attribute(x)

get_namespace_attribute(x)

set_namespace_attribute(x, value)

namespace_attribute(x) <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a vector
<code>...</code>	Further potential parameters reserved for inherited classes.
<code>value</code>	a character string or NULL to remove the namespace of measure.

Details

The namespace attribute is useful when users join or concatenate data from remote, linked, and open data sources. In such cases, variable identifiers (labels or names) are often resolved with a common namespace prefix, which, together with the namespace, forms a URI or IRI permanent identifier for the variable. Retaining the namespace in such cases allows cross-validation or success later updates of the vector (as a column of a dataset.)

`get_variable_namespaces()` is identical to `var_namespace()`. See `vignette("defined", package = "dataset")` to use comprehensively with variable labels, namespaces, units of measures, and machine-independent permanent variable identifiers.

Value

The namespace attribute of a vector constructed with `defined`.

See Also

Other defined metadata methods and functions: `defined()`, `var_label()`, `var_unit()`

Examples

```
qid <- defined(c("Q275912", "Q116196078"),
  namespace = c(wd = "https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/")
)
var_namespace(qid)

# To remove a namespace
var_namespace(qid) <- NULL
```

var_unit

Get / Set a unit of measure

Description

Get / Set a unit of measure

Usage

```
var_unit(x, ...)

var_unit(x) <- value

get_variable_units(x, ...)

unit_attribute(x)

get_unit_attribute(x)
```

```
set_unit_attribute(x, value)
```

```
unit_attribute(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A vector.
...	Further potential parameters reserved for inherited classes.
value	A character string or NULL to remove the unit of measure.

Details

The aim of the `unit` attribute is to add to the R vector object its unit of measure (for example, physical units like gram and kilogram or currency units like dollars or euros), so that they are not concatenated or joined in a syntactically correct but semantically incorrect way (i.e., accidentally concatenating values quoted in dollars and euros from different subvectors.) This is particularly useful when working with linked open data, i.e., when joins or concatenations are performed on data arriving from a remote source.

`get_variable_units()` is identical to `var_unit()`.

See `vignette("defined", package = "dataset")` to use comprehensively with variable labels, namespaces, units of measures, and machine-independent permanent variable identifiers.

Value

The unit attribute of a vector constructed with `defined`, or any vector that is enriched with a unit attribute.

The `var_unit<-` assignment method allows to add, remove, or overwrite this attribute on a vector `x`. The assignment function returns the `x` vector invisibly.

See Also

Other defined metadata methods and functions: `defined()`, `var_label()`, `var_namespace()`

Examples

```
# The defined vector class and dataset_df support units of measure attributes:  
var_unit(orange_df$circumference)
```

```
# Normally columns of a data.frame do not have a unit attribute:  
var_unit(mtcars$wt)
```

```
# You can add them with the assignment function:  
var_unit(mtcars$wt) <- "1000 lbs"
```

```
# To remove a unit of measure assign the NULL value:  
var_unit(mtcars$wt) <- NULL
```

`xsd_convert`*Convert to XML Schema Definition (XSD) types*

Description

Convert the numeric, boolean and Date/time columns of a dataset `xs:decimal`, `xs:boolean`, `xs:date` and `xs:dateTime`.

Usage

```
xsd_convert(x, idcol, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'dataset_df'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = "rowid", ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'tbl_df'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'character'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'numeric'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'haven_labelled_defined'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'integer'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'logical'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'factor'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'POSIXct'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'Date'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'difftime'  
xsd_convert(x, idcol = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object to be coerced to an XLM Schema defined string format.
idcol	The name or position of the column that contains the row (observation) identifiers. If NULL, it will make a new idcol from <code>row.names()</code> .
...	Further optional parameters for generic method.

Value

A character vector of RDF-compatible typed literals. Each element corresponds to an input value, serialized according to its type (e.g., `xs:string`, `xs:integer`, `xs:dateTime`). For data frames or tibbles, each row is converted into a set of RDF triples, with columns mapped to predicates.

Examples

```
# Convert data.frame to XML Schema Definition
xsd_convert(data.frame(a = 1:3, b = c("a", "b", "c")))
# Convert dataset to XML Schema Definition
xsd_convert(head(dataset_df(orange_df)))
# Convert characters:
xsd_convert(c("apple", " banana ", "cherry"))

# To handle whitespace:
xsd_convert(trimws(c("apple", " banana ", "cherry"), "both"))
# Convert integers or doubles, numbers:
xsd_convert(1:3)
# Convert logical values:
xsd_convert(TRUE)
xsd_convert(factor(c("apple", "banana", "cherry")))
xsd_convert(as.difftime(c(3600, 5400), units = "secs"))
```

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