Package ‘installr’

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Description R is great for installing software. Through the ‘installr’
package you can automate the updating of R (on Windows, using updateR())
and install new software. Software installation is initiated through a
gui (just run installr()), or through functions such as: install.Rtools(),
install.pandoc(), install.git(), and many more. The updateR() command
performs the following: finding the latest R version, downloading it,
running the installer, deleting the installation file, copy and updating
old packages to the new R installation.

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add.installr.GUI  

Adds a menu based GUI for updating R within Rgui

Description

Adds a menu based GUI for updating R within Rgui.

Usage

add.installr.GUI()

Details

This function is used during .onLoad to load the menus for the installr package in Rgui.

Value

Returns invisible TRUE/FALSE if menus were added or not.

Author(s)

Tal Galili, Dason

References

My thanks goes to Yihui and Dason, for the idea and help with implementation. See also: [http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15250487/how-to-add-a-menu-item-to-rgui/](http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15250487/how-to-add-a-menu-item-to-rgui/)

Examples

```r
## Not run:
add.installr.GUI()

## End(Not run)
```
add_load_installr_on_startup_menu

Add menu item for having installr load on startup

Description

Add menu item for having installr load on startup

Usage

add_load_installr_on_startup_menu(...)

Arguments

... not used. (but good for future backward compatibility)

add_remove_installr_from_startup_menu

Add menu item for having installr NOT load on startup

Description

Add menu item for having installr NOT load on startup

Usage

add_remove_installr_fromStartup_menu(...)

Arguments

... not used. (but good for future backward compatibility)
add_to_.First_in_Rprofile.site

Add a code line to Rprofile.site .First

Description

Goes through Rprofile.site text, finds the .First function - and add a line of code to the beginning of it.

Usage

add_to_.First_in_Rprofile.site(code, indent = "\t", ...)

Arguments

code A character scalar with code to add at the beginning of the .First function in Rprofile.site
indent a character scalar indicating the text to be added before code. Default is a tab.
... not used.

References

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1395301/how-to-get-r-to-recognize-your-working-directory-as-its
http://www.noamross.net/blog/2012/11/2/rprofile.html
http://www.statmethods.net/interface/customizing.html

Examples

## Not run:
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
add_to_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # TRUE
remove_from_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
# this would still leave .First

## End(Not run)
ask.user.for.a.row  asks the user for a row number from a data.frame table

Description

The function gets a data.frame and asks the user to choose a row number. Once chosen, that row number is returned from the function.

Usage

ask.user.for.a.row(TABLE, 
                   header_text = "Possible versions to download (choose one)", questions_text)

Arguments

TABLE  a data.frame table with rows from which we wish the user to choose a row. If 
       TABLE is not a data.frame, it will be coerced into one.
header_text  the text the users sees (often a question) as a title for the printed table - explaining 
            which row he should choose from
questions_text the question the users see after the printing of the table - explaining which row 
                he should choose from. (the default is: "Please review the table of versions from 
                above, and enter the row number of the file-version you’d like to install: ")

Details

This function is used in installr when we are not sure what version of the software to download, 
or when various actions are available for the user to choose from. If the user doesn’t give a valid row 
number, the function repeats its questions until a valid row number is chosen (or the user escapes)

Value

The row number the user has choosen from the data.frame table.

Source

On how to ask the user for input:
http://stackoverflow.com/questions/5974967/what-is-the-correct-way-to-ask-for-user-input-in-an-r-p

Examples

## Not run:
version_table <- data.frame(versions = c("devel", "V 1.0.0", "V 2.0.0"))
installr:::ask.user.for.a.row(version_table)

## End(Not run)
ask.user.yn.question

Asks the user for one yes/no question.

Description

Asks the user for one yes/no question. If the users replies with a "yes" (or Y, or y) the function returns TRUE. Otherwise, FALSE. (also exists as the function devtools::yesno)

Usage

ask.user.yn.question(question, use_GUI = TRUE, add_lines_before = TRUE)

Arguments

question a character string with a question to the user.
use_GUI a logical indicating whether a graphics menu should be used if available. If TRUE, and on Windows, it will use winDialog, otherwise it will use menu.
add_lines_before if to add a line before asking the question. Default is TRUE.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - if the user answeres yes or no.

References

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15250487/how-to-add-a-menu-item-to-rgui (my thanks goes to Dason for his answer and help)

See Also

menu, (yesno in the package devtools)

Examples

## Not run:
ask.user.yn.question("Do you love R?")
ask.user.yn.question(question = "Do you love R?", use_GUI = TRUE) # the same one as before
ask.user.yn.question(question = "Do you love R?", use_GUI = FALSE)
# reverts to command line questions

ask.user.yn.question("Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exercitation

ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip
ex ea commodo consequat. Do \n you \n love R?")
# checking how it deals with multi lines, and a lot of text (very good actually)
Description

This function is a first template for creating a barplot of the number of downloads a package had in a time period. This function is based on some other functions, have a look at the example for more details.

Usage

barplot_package_users_per_day(pkg_name, dataset, remove_dups = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

pkg_name a string of the package we are interested in checking.
dataset a dataset output from running read_RStudio_CRAN_data.
remove_dups default is TRUE. Should the duplicate user ids (based on their ips) be removed. If TRUE, then the plot is the number of unique users who have downloaded our package everyday.
... not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value

Returns the total number of downloads of the package for that time period.

See Also

download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day

Examples

## Not run:
# The first two functions might take a good deal of time to run (depending on the date range)
RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <-
   download_RStudio_CRAN_data(START = '2013-04-02',
                              END = '2013-04-05')
# around the time R 3.0.0 was released
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- read_RStudio_CRAN_data(RStudio_CRAN_data_folder)
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- format_RStudio_CRAN_data(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
head(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
lineplot_package_downloads(pkg_names = c("ggplot2", "reshape", "plyr", "installr"),
                           dataset = my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

# older plots:
# barplots: (more functions can easily be added in the future)
barplot_package_users_per_day("installr", my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
barplot_package_users_per_day("plyr", my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

## End(Not run)

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**browse.latest.R.NEWS**  
*See the NEWS file for the latest R release*

**Description**

Sends the user the the NEWS html file on "http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/NEWS.R-3.0.0.html" (URL changes with each version)

**Usage**

```
browse.latest.R.NEWS(URL = "http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/", ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `URL`  
  the URL of the page from which R can be downloaded.

- `...`  
  for future use

**Value**

`invisible(NULL)`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
browse.latest.R.NEWS()

## End(Not run)
```
check.for.updates.R

Checks if there is a newer version of R

Description

Fetches the latest (not development!) R version and compares it with your currently installed R version (the version of the R session from which you are running this function).

Usage

```r
check.for.updates.R(notify_user = TRUE, use_GUI = TRUE,
                     page_with_download_url = "http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/",
                     pat = "R-[0-9.]+-win")
```

Arguments

- `notify_user`: if to print to you (the user) what is the latest version and what version you are currently using.
- `use_GUI`: a logical indicating whether a graphics menu should be used if available. If TRUE, and on Windows, it will use `winDialog`, otherwise it will use `cat`.
- `page_with_download_url`: the URL of the page from which R can be downloaded.
- `pat`: pattern to search for when looking for a newer R version

Value

TRUE/FALSE - if there is a newer version of R to install or not.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
check.for.updates.R()
# Possible output:
# There is a newer version of R for you to download!
# You are using R version: 2.15.0
# And the latest R version is: 2.15.3
# [1] TRUE

## End(Not run)
```
check.integer  
Check if a number is integer

Description

Returns TRUE/FALSE on whether a number is integer or not.

Usage

`check.integer(N)`

Arguments

- `N`  
  A number (if a vector is supplied only the first element is checked - without warning)

Details

Surprising as it may be, R doesn’t come with a handy function to check if the number is integer. This function does just this.

Value

TRUE/FALSE on whether a number is integer or not.

Author(s)

VitoShKa

Source


Examples

```r
check.integer <- installr::check.integer
check.integer(4)  # TRUE
check.integer(3243) # TRUE
check.integer(3243.34) # FALSE
check.integer("sdfds") # FALSE
check.integer(1e4)  # TRUE
check.integer(1e6)  # TRUE
check.integer(1e600) # FALSE - the function is having a hardtime with Inf...
rm(check.integer)
```
checkMD5sums2

Check and Create MD5 Checksum Files

Description

checkMD5sums checks the files against a file 'MD5'. This extends the default checkMD5sums from package tools by adding a new parameter "md5file"

Usage

checkMD5sums2(package, dir, md5file, omit_files, ...)

Arguments

package the name of an installed package
dir the path to the top-level directory of an installed package.
md5file the exact path of the md5file to compare the dir with
omit_files a character vector with the files or file directories to not include in the checksums
... not used. (but good for future backward compatibility)

Value

checkMD5sums returns a logical, NA if there is no 'MD5' file to be checked.

See Also

cHECKMD5sums

Examples

## Not run:
checkMD5sums2(dir=R.home()) # doesn't work for R 3.0.0 or R 3.0.1
checkMD5sums2(dir=R.home(), omit_files = c("etc/Rconsole", "etc/Rprofile.site")) # will work!

## End(Not run)
Copy all packages from one library folder to another

Description

Copies all packages from one folder to another. This function is used if we wish to either:

- Upgrade R to a new version - and copy all of the packages from the old R installation to the new one.
- Move to a global library system - and wanting to copy all of packages from the local library folder to the global one

It takes into account that we don’t want to copy packages which have "high" importance (such as MASS, boot, graphics, utils, rpart, Matrix and more GREAT packages...) to the new library folder. Also, it assumes that within an R installation, the packages are located inside the "library" folder.

Usage

```r
copy.packages.between.libraries(from, to, ask = FALSE, keep_old = TRUE, do_NOT.override_packages_in_new_R = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- `from`: a character vector for the location of the old library folder FROM which to copy files from.
- `to`: a character vector for the location of the old library folder TO which to copy files to.
- `ask`: should the user be given the option to choose between which two libraries to copy the packages? If FALSE (default), the folders are copied from the before-newest R installation to the newest R installation. This the overrides “from” and “to” parameters.
- `keep_old`: should the packages be COPIED to the new library folder, thus KEEPing the old package as they are? Or should they be removed?
- `do_NOT.override_packages_in_new_R`: default TRUE If FALSE, then If a package exists in both the "from" and "to" library folders - it would copy to "to" the version of the package from "from". (this parameter should rarely be FALSE)

Value

TRUE if it copied (moved) packages, and FALSE if it did not.

See Also

- `get.installed.R.folders`
cranometer

Description

Estimates the speed of each CRAN mirror by measuring the time it takes to download the NEWS file.

Usage

cranometer(ms = getCRANmirrors(all = FALSE, local.only = FALSE), ...)

Arguments

ms - the output of getCRANmirrors. Defaults to using all of the mirrors.
... not in use

Details

It works by downloading the latest NEWS file (288 Kbytes at the moment, so not huge) from each of the mirror sites in the CRAN mirrors list. If you want to test it on a subset then call getCRANmirrors yourself and subset it somehow.

It runs on the full CRAN list and while designing this package I’ve yet to find a timeout or error so I’m not sure what will happen if download.file fails. It returns a data frame like you get from getCRANmirrors but with an extra ‘t’ column giving the elapsed time to get the NEWS file.

CAVEATS: if your network has any local caching then these results will be wrong, since your computer will probably be getting the locally cached NEWS file and not the one on the server. Especially if you run it twice. Oh, I should have put cacheOK=FALSE in the download.file - but even that might get overruled somewhere. Also, sites may have good days and bad days, good minutes and bad minutes, your network may be congested on a short-term basis, etc etc.

There may also be a difference in reliability, which would not so easily be measured by an individual user.

Value

a data.frame with details on mirror sites and the time it took to download their NEWS file.

Author(s)

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Source


See Also

freegeoip, myip, cranometer

Examples

```r
## Not run:
# this can take some time
x <- cranometer()

time_order <- order(x$t)

# a quick overview of the fastest mirrors
head(x[time_order, c(1:4, 9)], 20)

# a dotchart of the fastest mirrors
with(x[rev(time_order),],
  dotchart(t, labels =Name,
           cex = .5, xlab = "Timing of CRAN mirror")
)

# tail(geonames_df)
# tail(x)
require(plyr)
ss <- !(x{Name == "@-Cloud")
gvis_df <- ddply(x[ss,], .(CountryCode), function(xx) {
  ss <- which.min(xx$t)
  if(length(ss) == 0) ss <- 1
data.frame(time = xx$t[ss], name = xx$Name[ss] )
})
gvis_df <- gvis_df[!is.na(gvis_df$time), ]
require("googleVis")
Geo<-(gvisGeoMap(gvis_df,
  locationvar = "CountryCode",
  numvar="time",
  hovervar = "name",
  options=list(
    colors=[0xA5EF63,
           0xFF581, 0xFF8747])
  )
```

RStudio CRAN mirror data files into a folder

Description

This function downloads these files based on the code from the download page (http://cranlogs.rstudio.com/) into a temporary folder.

Usage

download_RStudio_CRA_N_data(START = as.Date(Sys.time()) - 5,
END = as.Date(Sys.time()), log_folder = tempdir(),
trunc_END_date_to_today = TRUE, override = FALSE, massage = TRUE, ...)

create.global.library

Create a global library folder

Description

Creates a global library folder (above the folder R is currently installed in)

Usage

create.global.library(global_library_folder)

Arguments

global_library_folder

the path of the new global library folder to create. If missing, will be set to
R_path/R/library. (for example: "C:/Program Files/R/library")

Value

TRUE/FALSE if we created a new folder or not.

Examples

## Not run:
create.global.library()

## End(Not run)
download_RStudio_CRAN_data

Arguments

START
the defaults is 5 days before today. A character string of the START date for files to be downloaded. The date format is "YYYY-MM-DD".

END
the defaults is today. A character string of the END date for files to be downloaded. The date format is "YYYY-MM-DD".

log_folder
the folder into which we would like the files to be downloaded to. Default is the temporary folder picked by tempdir.

trunc_END_date_to_today
default is TRUE. Makes sure that if END date is later then today, the END date will be change to today (since otherwise, we will only get many 404 errors)

override
boolean (default is FALSE) - should the function download files that are already available in the temp folder

massage
boolean (default is TRUE) - should a massage be printed in interesting cases.

... not in use.

Details
RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value
Returns the value of log_folder.

See Also
download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day

Examples

```r
## Not run:
# The first two functions might take a good deal of time to run (depending on the date range)
RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <-
download_RStudio_CRAN_data(START = '2013-04-02',
                        END = '2013-04-05')
# around the time R 3.0.0 was released
# RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <- download_RStudio_CRAN_data()
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- read_RStudio_CRAN_data(RStudio_CRAN_data_folder)

# barplots: (more functions can easily be added in the future)
barplot_package_users_per_day("installr", my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
barplot_package_users_per_day("plyr", my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

## End(Not run)
```
fetch_tag_from_Rd

Access tag elements from R’s Rd file

Description

A function to extract elements from R’s help file.

It is useful, for example, for going through a package and discover who are its authors (useful for me to help me give proper credit in the DESCRIPTION file).

Usage

fetch_tag_from_Rd(package, tag = "\author", ...)

Arguments

package a character string of the package we are interested in.
tag a character vector of tag(s) to get from a package’s Rd files.
... not in use.

Value

a character vector with the tag’s content, and the name of the Rd source of the function the tag came from.

Author(s)

Thomas J. Leeper <thosjleeper@gmail.com>

Source

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/17909081/access-elements-from-rs-rd-file

See Also

package_authors

Examples

## Not run:
fetch_tag_from_Rd("installr", "\author")
fetch_tag_from_Rd("knitr", "\author")
fetch_tag_from_Rd("lubridate", "\author")
fetch_tag_from_Rd("installr", "\source")

# get all the authors for this package
unique(unname(fetch_tag_from_Rd("installr", "\author")))
file.name.from.url

Extract the file name from some URL

Description

Gets a character of link to some file, and returns the name of the file in this link.

Usage

file.name.from.url(URL)

Arguments

URL Some url to a file.

Details

The install.packages.zip must use this function, since it is crucial that the name of the file into which the ZIPPED package is downloaded to the computer, will have the same name as the file which is online.

Value

The name of the file in the URL

See Also

install.URL, install.packages.zip

Examples

## Not run:
url <- "http://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/base/R-2.15.3-win.exe"
file.name.from.url(url) # returns: "R-2.15.3-win.exe"

## End(Not run)
format_RStudio_CRAN_data

Format the RStudio CRAN mirror data into the data.table format

Description

This function makes sure the RStudio CRAN mirror data object has correct classes for the columns date, package, country. It also adds the columns weekday and week. Lastly, it also sets a key.

Usage

format_RStudio_CRAN_data(dataset, ...)

Arguments

dataset the RStudio CRAN mirror data object

... not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value

Returns the re-formated data object.

Author(s)

Felix Schonbrodt, Tal Galili

Source

http://www.nicebread.de/finally-tracking-cran-packages-downloads/

See Also

download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day

Examples

## Not run:
# The first two functions might take a good deal of time to run (depending on the date range)
RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <-
  download_RStudio_CRAN_data(START = '2013-04-02',
  END = '2013-04-05')
# around the time R 3.0.0 was released
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- read_RStudio_CRAN_data(RStudio_CRAN_data_folder)
freegeoip

Geolocate IP addresses in R

Description

This R function uses the free freegeoip.net geocoding service to resolve an IP address (or a vector of them) into country, region, city, zip, latitude, longitude, area and metro codes.

The function require rjson.

Usage

freegeoip(ip = myip(), format = ifelse(length(ip) == 1, "list", "dataframe"), ...)

Arguments

ip a character vector of ips (default is the output from myip)
format format of the output. Either "list" (default) or "data.frame"
... not in use

Value

a list or data.frame with details on your geo location based on the freegeoip.net service.

Author(s)

Heuristic Andrew (see source for details)

Source

http://heuristically.wordpress.com/2013/05/20/geolocate-ip-addresses-in-r/. http://freegeoip.net/json/

See Also

freegeoip, myip, cranometer
get.installed.R.folders

Examples

```r
## Not run:
freegeoip()

## http://www.students.ncl.ac.uk/keith.newman/r/maps-in-r
# install.packages("maps")
# install.packages("mapdata")
library(maps)
library(mapdata) # Contains the hi-resolution points that mark out the countries.
map('worldHires')
require(installr)
my_ip_details <- freegeoip(myip())
my_lati <- my_ip_details$latitude
my_long <- my_ip_details$longitude
points(my_lati,my_long,col=2,pch=18, cex = 1)
# lines(c(my_lati,0),c(my_long, 50), col = 2)'

## End(Not run)
```

Description

The function finds the folders where there are R installations. This is important for deciding what to uninstall, and where from and to to move libraries. This function ignores installations of R-devel at this point. Also, this function is based on only looking at the folders above the current installation of R. If there are other installations of R outside the above folder, they will not be listed.

Usage

```r
get.installed.R.folders(sort_by_version = TRUE, add_version_to_name = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- `sort_by_version` should the returned vector be sorted by the version number? (default is yes - so that the first element is of the newest version of R) should the user be given the option to choose between which two libraries to copy the packages? If FALSE (default), the folders are copied from the before-newest R installation to the newest R installation.

- `add_version_to_name` should the version number be added to the vector of folders? (default is yes)

Value

Returns a character vector (possibly named, possibly sorted) of the folders where there are R installations.
get_pid

Find the pid of a process by name

Description

Returns a vector with the process ID (pid) for all processes with a particular name.

Usage

get_pid(process, exact = FALSE, ...)

Arguments

process a character vector of process names.

exact logical (FALSE), should we get exact match to process name, or can we use just partial matching.

... not used.

Value

an integer vector with the process ID (pid) of the processes.

References

get_Rscript_PID

See Also

get_tasklist, get_Rscript_PID, get_pid, kill_pid, kill_all_Rscript_s, pskill

Examples

```r
## Not run:
get_pid("rsession") # finds it
get_pid("rsession", exact = TRUE) # doesn't find it
get_pid("rsession.exe", exact = TRUE) # finds it
get_pid(c("wininit", "winlogon"), exact = TRUE) # doesn't find it
get_pid(c("wininit", "winlogon")) # finds it

## End(Not run)
```

---

get_Rscript_PID  
*Get the running "Rscript" processes PID*

Description

Returns a vector with the process ID (pid) of the "Rscript" processes which are currently running.

Usage

```r
get_Rscript_PID(...)
```

Arguments

...  
not used.

Value

an integer vector with the process ID (pid) of the "Rscript" processes.

References


See Also

get_tasklist, get_Rscript_PID, get_pid, kill_pid, kill_all_Rscript_s, pskill
get_tasklist

Get the running processes in windows task manager

Description

Returns a data.frame with the current running processes (Windows only).

Usage

get_tasklist(...)  

Arguments

... not used.

Value

a data.frame with the current running processes.

References


See Also

get_tasklist, get_Rscript_PID, get_pid, kill_pid, kill_all_Rscript_s, pkill kill_pid, kill_all_Rscript_s
install.7zip

Downloads and installs 7-Zip for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of 7-Zip for Windows.

Usage

install.7zip(page_with_download_url = "http://www.7-zip.org/download.html",
...

Arguments

page_with_download_url
the URL of the 7-Zip download page.
...
extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

7-Zip is open source software. Most of the source code is under the GNU LGPL license. The un-RAR code is under a mixed license: GNU LGPL + unRAR restrictions. Check license information here: 7-Zip license. You can use 7-Zip on any computer, including a computer in a commercial organization. You don’t need to register or pay for 7-Zip. *The main features of 7-Zip *High compression ratio in 7z format with LZMA and LZMA2 compression *Supported formats: **Packing / unpacking: 7z, XZ, BZIP2, GZIP, TAR, ZIP and WIM **Unpacking only: ARJ, CAB, CHM, CPIO, CramFS, DEB, DMG, FAT, HFS, ISO, LZH, LZMA, MBR, MSI, NSIS, NTFS, RAR, RPM, SquashFS, UDF, VHD, WIM, XAR and Z. For ZIP and GZIP formats, 7-Zip provides a compression ratio that is 2-10 better than the ratio provided by PKZip and WinZip *Strong AES-256 encryption in 7z and ZIP formats *Self-extracting capability for 7z format *Integration with Windows Shell *Powerful File Manager *Powerful command line version *Plugin for FAR Manager *Localizations for 79 languages

Examples

## Not run:

# create several running processes of Rscript (to shutdown)
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
# here are there pid numbers:
get_Rscript_PID()
# let's kill them:
kill_all_Rscript_s()
# they are gone...
get_Rscript_PID() # we no longer have Rscripts running

## End(Not run)
install.Cygwin

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• 7-zip homepage: http://www.7-zip.org/

Examples

```bash
## Not run:
install.7zip() # installs the latest version of 7-Zip

## End(Not run)
```

install.Cygwin  

Downloads and installs Cygwin for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of Cygwin for Windows.

Usage

```bash
install.Cygwin(bit = 32, ...)
```

Arguments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>bit</th>
<th>Specify 32 bit or 64 for your particular version of Windows.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>extra parameters to pass to install.URL</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Details

Cygwin is a collection of tools which provide a Linux look and feel environment for Windows.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• Cygwin homepage: http://cygwin.com/

Examples

```bash
## Not run:
install.Cygwin() # installs the latest version of Cygwin

## End(Not run)
```
**install.FFmpeg**  
*Downloads and installs FFmpeg for windows*

**Description**

Allows the user to downloads the latest version of FFmpeg for Windows. IMPORTANT NOTE: The user (YOU) are responsible for unpacking the 7zip file into the relevant directory. All that this function does is to download the 7zip file and "run" it.

**Usage**

```r
install.FFmpeg(page_with_download_url = "http://ffmpeg.zeranoe.com/builds/",
                 ...
)
```

**Arguments**

- `page_with_download_url`
  - the URL of the FFmpeg download page.
- `...`
  - extra parameters to pass to `install.URL`

**Details**

FFmpeg is a complete, cross-platform solution to record, convert and stream audio and video. It includes libavcodec - the leading audio/video codec library. See the documentation for a complete feature list and the Changelog for recent changes. This function downloads current releases and NOT the Development Snapshots. This function is useful for `saveVideo()` in the animation package.

**References**


**Examples**

```
## Not run:
install.FFmpeg() # installs the latest version of FFmpeg

## End(Not run)
```
install.git  Downloads and installs git and git-gui for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of git for Windows.

Usage

install.git(page_with_download_url = "http://git-scm.com/download/win", ...)

Arguments

page_with_download_url
the URL of the git download page.
...
extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

Git is a distributed revision control and source code management system with an emphasis on speed.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References


Examples

## Not run:
install.git() # installs the latest version of git

## End(Not run)

install.GitHub  Downloads and installs GitHub for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of GitHub for Windows.
install.GraphicsMagick

Usage

install.GitHub(URL = "http://github-windows.s3.amazonaws.com/GitHubSetup.exe",
...)

Arguments

URL the URL of the GitHub download page.
...
extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

"The easiest way to use Git on Windows." (at least so they say...)

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

- GitHub homepage: https://github.com/
- GitHub for windows download page: http://windows.github.com/

Examples

## Not run:
install.GitHub() # installs the latest version of GitHub for windows

## End(Not run)

install.GraphicsMagick

Downloads and installs GraphicsMagick for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of GraphicsMagick for Windows.

Usage

install.GraphicsMagick(URL = "http://sourceforge.net/projects/graphicsmagick/",
...)

Arguments

URL the URL of the ImageMagick download page.
...
extra parameters to pass to install.URL
**Details**

GraphicsMagick is the swiss army knife of image processing. Comprised of 282K physical lines (according to David A. Wheeler’s SLOCCount) of source code in the base package (or 964K including 3rd party libraries) it provides a robust and efficient collection of tools and libraries which support reading, writing, and manipulating an image in over 88 major formats including important formats like DPX, GIF, JPEG, JPEG-2000, PNG, PDF, PNM, and TIFF. This function downloads Win32 dynamic at 16 bits-per-pixel.

**Value**

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

**References**


**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
install.GraphicsMagick() # installs the latest version of GraphicsMagick

## End(Not run)
```

---

**install.ImageMagick**  
Downloads and installs ImageMagick for windows

**Description**

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of ImageMagick for Windows.

**Usage**

```r
...)
```

**Arguments**

- **URL**  
  the URL of the ImageMagick download page.
- **...**  
  extra parameters to pass to install.URL

**Details**

ImageMagick is a software suite to create, edit, compose, or convert bitmap images. It can read and write images in a variety of formats (over 100) including DPX, EXR, GIF, JPEG, JPEG-2000, PDF, PhotoCD, PNG, Postscript, SVG, and TIFF. Use ImageMagick to resize, flip, mirror, rotate, distort, shear and transform images, adjust image colors, apply various special effects, or draw text, lines, polygons, ellipses and Bezier curves. This function downloads Win32 dynamic at 16 bits-per-pixel.
install.LaTeX2RTF

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• ImageMagick homepage: http://www.imagemagick.org/script/index.php

Examples

## Not run:
install.ImageMagick() # installs the latest version of ImageMagick

## End(Not run)

install.LaTeX2RTF Downloads and installs LaTeX2RTF for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of LaTeX2RTF for Windows.

Usage

install.LaTeX2RTF(page_with_download_url = "http://sourceforge.net/projects/latex2rtf/", ...)

Arguments

page_with_download_url
  the URL of the SWFTools download page.
...
  extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

LaTeX2rtf tries to convert your LaTeX file into a RTF file for opening in Microsoft Word. The general idea is to try and get the things that computers are good at correct: character conversion, graphic conversion, etc. Page layout suffers because control in RTF is pretty pathetic compared to TeX. Consequently, it is likely that manual reformatting will be needed.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• SWFTools homepage: http://latex2rtf.sourceforge.net/
install.LyX

Examples

```r
# Not run:
install.LaTeX2RTF() # installs the latest version of LaTeX2RTF

# End(Not run)
```

install.LyX

Downloads and installs LyX for Windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of LyX for Windows.

Usage

```r
install.LyX(page_with_download_url = "http://www.lyx.org/Download",
new_installation, ...)
```

Arguments

- `page_with_download_url`
  - the URL of the LyX download page.
- `new_installation`
  - boolean. TRUE means we should make a new installation of LyX. FALSE means to update an existing installation. Missing - prompts the user to decide.
- `...`
  - extra parameters to pass to `install.URL`

Details

LyX is an advanced open source document processor running on Linux/Unix, Windows, and Mac OS X. It is called a "document processor", because unlike standard word processors, LyX encourages an approach to writing based on the structure of your documents, not their appearance. LyX lets you concentrate on writing, leaving details of visual layout to the software. LyX automates formatting according to predefined rule sets, yielding consistency throughout even the most complex documents. LyX produces high quality, professional output - using LaTeX, an open source, industrial strength typesetting engine, in the background.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

install.MikTeX

Examples

```r
## Not run:
install.LyX() # installs the latest version of LyX

## End(Not run)
```

install.MikTeX --- Downloads and installs MikTeX for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of MikTeX for Windows.

Usage

```r
install.MikTeX(version, page_with_download_url = "http://miktex.org/download",
...)
```

Arguments

- `version` gets the values 32 and 64. Deciding if we should install version 32bit or 64bit. If missing (default) the user is prompted for a decision.
- `page_with_download_url` the URL of the MikTeX download page.
- `...` extra parameters to pass to `install.URL`

Details

MiKTeX is a typesetting system for Microsoft Windows that is developed by Christian Schenk. It consists of an implementation of TeX and a set of related programs. MiKTeX provides the tools necessary to prepare documents using the TeX/LaTeX markup language, as well as a simple tex editor (TeXworks).

MiKTeX is essential for using Sweave, knitr, and creating Vignette for R packages.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

MiKTeX homepage: [http://miktex.org/](http://miktex.org/)
MiKTeX download page: [http://miktex.org/download](http://miktex.org/download)

Examples

```r
## Not run:
install.MikTeX() # installs the latest version of MikTeX

## End(Not run)
```
install.notepadpp  

Downloads and installs Notepad++ for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of Notepad++ for Windows.

Usage

install.notepadpp(page_with_download_url = "http://notepad-plus-plus.org/download/",
...)

Arguments

page_with_download_url
  the URL of the Notepad++ download page.
...
  extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

Notepad++ is a free (as in "free speech" and also as in "free beer") source code editor and Notepad replacement that supports several languages. Running in the MS Windows environment, its use is governed by GPL License. Based on the powerful editing component Scintilla, Notepad++ is written in C++ and uses pure Win32 API and STL which ensures a higher execution speed and smaller program size. By optimizing as many routines as possible without losing user friendliness, Notepad++ is trying to reduce the world carbon dioxide emissions. When using less CPU power, the PC can throttle down and reduce power consumption, resulting in a greener environment.

Value

invisible TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References


Examples

## Not run:
install.notepadpp() # installs the latest version of Notepad++

## End(Not run)
install.npptor

Downloads and installs NppToR for windows

Description

Allows the user to downloads and install the latest version of NppToR extension for Notepad++ for Windows.

Usage

install.npptor(URL = "http://sourceforge.net/projects/npptor/files/npptor%20installer/", ...

Arguments

URL the URL of the Notepad++ download page.
.
extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

Similar to the windows R gui built in editor, NppToR aims to extend the functionality of code passing to the Notepad++ code editor. In addition to passing to the R gui, NppToR provides optional passing to a PuTTY window for passing to an R instance a remote machine.

NppToR is a companion utility that facilitates communication between R and Notepad++. It provides code passing from Notepad++ into the windows R Gui. NppToR also provides an autocompletion database which is dynamically generated from the users’ R library of packages, thanks to an addition by Yihui Xie. Notepad++ provides built it R code highlighting and folding.

Value

invisible TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References


Examples

## Not run:
install.npptor() # installs the latest version of NppToR

## End(Not run)
install.packages.zip Downloads and installs a ZIP R package Binary (for Windows) from a URL

Description

Gets a character with a link to an R package Binary, downloads it, and installs it.

Usage

install.packages.zip(zip_URL)

Arguments

zip_URL a link to a ZIP R package Binary.

Details

To my knowledge, there is currently three ways to install packages on R: 1. To get the package through a repository (such as CRAN or RForge) through install.packages. 2. To manually download a ZIP file locally to the computer, and use install.packages on it. 3. To get the package from github, by using devtools (but this will require you to first install RTools, and not everyone wishes to do it for just some package). This function aims to combine option 1 and 2, by automatically downloading the ZIP file locally and then running install.packages on it. After being downloaded and installed, the binary is erased from the computer.

Value

Invisible NULL

See Also

install.packages, installPackages

Examples

## Not run:
install.packages.zip("http://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/contrib/r-release/devtools_1.1.zip")

## End(Not run)
install.pandoc  Downloads and installs pandoc

Description

Downloads and installs the latest version of pandoc for Windows.

Usage

install.pandoc(URL = "https://github.com/jgm/pandoc/releases",
                 use_regex = TRUE, to_restart, ...)

Arguments

- **URL**: a link to the list of download links of pandoc
- **use_regex**: (default TRUE) - deprecated (kept for legacy purposes).
- **to_restart**: boolean. Should the computer be restarted after pandoc is installed? (if missing then the user is prompted for a decision)
- ... extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

pandoc is a free open source software for converting documents from many filetypes to many filetypes. For details, see http://johnmacfarlane.net/pandoc/.

Credit: the code in this function is based on GERGELY DAROCZI's coding in his answer on the Q&A forum StackOverflow, and also G. Grothendieck for the non-XML addition to the function. I thank them both!

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

Author(s)

GERGELY DAROCZI, G. Grothendieck, Tal Galili

Source

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15071957/is-it-possible-to-install-pandoc-on-windows-using-an-r

Examples

```r
## Not run:
install.pandoc()

## End(Not run)
install.R/downloads and installs the latest R version

Description

Fetches the latest (not development!) R version

Usage

```r
install.R(page_with_download_url = "http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/",
pat = "R-[0-9.]+-win.exe", to_checkMD5sums = TRUE,
keep_install_file = FALSE, download_dir = tempdir(), silent = FALSE,
...)
```

Arguments

- `page_with_download_url` URL from which the latest stable version of R can be downloaded from.
- `pat` the pattern of R .exe file to download
- `to_checkMD5sums` Should we check that the new R installation has the files we expect it to (by checking the MD5 sums)? default is TRUE. It assumes that the R which was installed is the latest R version.
- `keep_install_file` If TRUE - the installer file will not be erased after it is downloaded and run.
- `download_dir` A character of the directory into which to download the file. (default is `tempdir()`)
- `silent` If TRUE - enables silent installation mode.
- `...` extra parameters to pass to `install.URL`

Details

If you are not sure if you need to update R or not, it is better to use `updateR` for updating R, since it includes more options. But in case you wish to only install R, with no other steps taken (for example, taking care of your old packages), then you can use `install.R()`

See the `install.Rdevel` function for installing the latest R-devel version.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation of R successful or not.

References

* [http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/](http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/)
install.Rdevel

See Also

uninstall.R, install.Rdevel, updateR, system

Examples

## Not run:
install.R()

## End(Not run)

install.Rdevel  downloads and installs the latest Rdevel version

Description

Fetches the latest (development!) R version

Usage

install.Rdevel(exe_URL = "http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/R-devel-win.exe",
...)

Arguments

exe_URL A character with a link to an installer file (with the .exe file extension)
... extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

This is a development version of R. It likely contains bugs, so be careful if you use it. Please don’t report bugs in this version through the usual R bug reporting system, please report them on the r-devel mailing list —but only if they persist for a few days.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation of R successful or not.

References

http://cran.rstudio.com/bin/windows/base/rdevel.html

See Also

install.R, updateR
install.RStudio

Downloads and installs RStudio for windows

Description

Allows the user to download and install the latest version of RStudio for Windows.

Usage

install.RStudio(page_with_download_url = "http://www.rstudio.com/ide/download/desktop", ...)

Arguments

page_with_download_url
  the URL of the RStudio download page.
...            extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

RStudio is a free and open source integrated development environment (IDE) for R, a programming language for statistical computing and graphics.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• RStudio homepage: http://www.rstudio.com/
• devtools::source_url http://rgm3.lab.nig.ac.jp/RGM/r_function?p=devtools&f=source_url

Examples

## Not run:
install.RStudio() # installs the latest version of RStudio

## End(Not run)
**install.Rtools**  
*Downloads and installs Rtools*

**Description**

Allows the user to choose, downloads and install - the latest version of Rtools for Windows. By default, the function searches if RTools is installed, if not, it checks if it knows which version to install for the current R version, and if not - it asks the user to choose which Rtools version to install.

**Usage**

```r
install.Rtools(choose_version = FALSE, check = TRUE, use_GUI = TRUE,
               page_with_download_url = "http://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/Rtools/",
               ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `choose_version` if TRUE, allows the user to choose which version of RTools to install. Useful if you wish to install the devel version of RTools, or if you are running on an old version of R which requires an old version of R.
- `check` checks if we need to install Rtools or not. Relies on the "find_rtools" function in the devtools package.
- `use_GUI` Should a GUI be used when asking the user questions? (defaults to TRUE)
- `page_with_download_url` the URL of the RTools download page.
- `...` extra parameters to pass to `install.URL`

**Details**

RTools is a collection of software for building packages for R under Microsoft Windows, or for building R itself (version 1.9.0 or later). The original collection was put together by Prof. Brian Ripley; it is currently being maintained by Duncan Murdoch.

**Value**

`invisible(TRUE/FALSE)` - was the installation successful or not.

**Source**

Some parts of the code are taken from the devtools, see https://github.com/hadley/devtools/blob/master/R/rtools.r

**References**

RTools homepage (for other resources and documentation): http://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/Rtools/
install.SWFTools

Examples

## Not run:
install.Rtools() # installs the latest version of RTools (if one is needed)
install.Rtools(TRUE) # if one is needed - asks the user to choose the latest
# version of RTools to install

install.Rtools(TRUE, FALSE) # asks the user to choose
# the latest version of RTools to install
# (regardless if one is needed)

## End(Not run)

install.SWFTools Downloads and installs SWFTools for windows

Description

Allows the user to download and install the latest version of SWFTools for Windows.

Usage

install.SWFTools(page_with_download_url = "http://swftools.org/download.html",
                 ...)  

Arguments

page_with_download_url
  the URL of the SWFTools download page.

...  
  extra parameters to pass to install.URL

Details

SWFTools is a collection of utilities for working with Adobe Flash files (SWF files). The tool collection includes programs for reading SWF files, combining them, and creating them from other content (like images, sound files, videos or sourcecode). SWFTools is released under the GPL. This function downloads current releases and NOT the Development Snapshots. This function is useful for saveSWF() in the animation package.

Value

TRUE/FALSE - was the installation successful or not.

References

• SWFTools homepage: http://swftools.org/
install.URL

Examples

```r
## Not run:
install.SWFTools() # installs the latest version of SWFTools

## End(Not run)
```

install.URL

Downloads and runs a .exe installer file for some software from a URL

Description

Gets a character with a link to an installer file, downloads it, runs it, and then erases it.

Usage

```r
install.URL(exe_URL, keep_install_file = FALSE, wait = TRUE,
            download_dir = tmpdir(), massage = TRUE, installer_option = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- **exe_URL**: A character with a link to an installer file (with the .exe file extension)
- **keep_install_file**: If TRUE - the installer file will not be erased after it is downloaded and run.
- **wait**: should the R interpreter wait for the command to finish? The default is to NOT wait.
- **download_dir**: A character of the directory into which to download the file. (default is `tempdir()`)
- **massage**: boolean. Should a massage on the file be printed or not (default is TRUE)
- **installer_option**: A character of the command line arguments
- **...**: parameters passed to `shell`

Details

This function is used by many functions in the installr package. The .exe file is downloaded into a temporary directory, where it is erased after installation has started (by default - though this can be changed)

Value

invisible(TRUE/FALSE) - was the installation successful or not. (this is based on the output of shell of running the command being either 0 or 1/2. 0 means the file was succesfully installed, while 1 or 2 means there was a failure in running the installer.)

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installr

Installing software from R

Description

Gives the user the option to download software from within R.

Usage

installr(use_GUI = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

use_GUI a logical indicating whether a graphics menu should be used if available. If TRUE, and on Windows, it will use winDialog, otherwise it will use menu. Not in use

Value

TRUE/FALSE - if the software was installed successfully or no.

See Also


Examples

## Not run:
installr()

## End(Not run)
is.empty

Checks if an object is empty (e.g.: of zero length)

Description

Checks if an object is empty (e.g.: of zero length) and returns TRUE/FALSE

Usage

is.empty(x, mode = NULL, ...)

Arguments

x

an object

dr

is the object an empty (zero length) object of this mode (can be "integer", "numeric", and so on...)

none are available.

Details

Uses identical and avoids any attribute problems by using the fact that it is the empty set of that class of object and combine it with an element of that class.

Value

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the object is empty or not.

Author(s)

James

(http://stackoverflow.com/users/269476/james)

Source

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/6451152/how-to-catch-integer0

See Also

integer, identical

Examples

is.empty(integer(0)) # TRUE
is.empty(0L) # TRUE
is.empty(numeric(0)) # TRUE
is.empty(NA) # TRUE
is.empty(FALSE) # FALSE
is.empty(NULL) # FALSE (with a warning)
is.exe.installed Checks if some .exe is available in on the Windows machine search PATH

Description
Checks the existence of an .exe extention in the search path for executable files

Usage
is.exe.installed(exe_file)

Arguments
exe_file a character with the name of the

Value
A boolean vector indication the existence of each program on the system.

Examples
## Not run:
is.exe.installed(c("zip.exe", "Rgui.exe", "blablabla")) # [1] TRUE TRUE FALSE
is.exe.installed("7z")

## End(Not run)

is.Rgui Checks if the R session is running within Rgui (Windows OS)

Description
Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running within Rgui or not.

Usage
is.Rgui("")
Arguments

... none are available.

Details

This function is used in order to check if a GUI can be added to the session or not.

Value

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running within Rgui or not.

See Also

is.RStudio, is.windows

Examples

## Not run:
is.Rgui()

## End(Not run)

---

**is.RStudio**

Checks if the R session is running within RStudio

Description

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running within RStudio or not.

Usage

is.RStudio(...)

Arguments

... none are available.

Details

This function is used in order to check if a GUI can be added to the session or not.

Value

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running within RStudio or not.
Examples

```r
## Not run:
is.RStudio()

## End(Not run)
```

---

is.windows | Checks if the running OS is Windows

Description

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running on Windows or not.

Usage

```r
is.windows(...)
```

Arguments

... none are available.

Details

This function is run when the `installr` package is first loaded in order to check if the current running OS is Windows. If you are running a different OS, then the installr package (at its current form) does not have much to offer you.

Value

Returns TRUE/FALSE if the R session is running on Windows or not.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
is.windows() # returns TRUE on my machine.

## End(Not run)
```
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site

Remove a code line from Rprofile.site .First

Description

Goes through

Usage

is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site(code, fixed = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

code A character scalar with code to add at the beginning of the .First function in Rprofile.site

fixed passed to grep

... passed to grep

Value

logical, if code is in Rprofile.site or not.

References

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1395301/how-to-get-r-to-recognize-your-working-directory-as-its

Examples

## Not run:
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
add_to_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # TRUE
remove_from_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
# this would still leave .First

## End(Not run)
Description

kill (i.e.: stop) all running "Rscript" processes based on their process ID (pid)

Usage

```
kill_all_Rscript_s(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0, ...)
```

Arguments

- `s`: numeric. number of seconds to wait before killing the processes
- `m`: numeric. number of minutes to wait before killing the processes
- `h`: numeric. number of hours to wait before killing the processes
- `...`: not used.

Value

an integer vector with the process ID (pid) of the "Rscript" processes.

References


See Also

`get_tasklist`, `get_Rscript_PID`, `get_pid`, `kill_pid`, `kill_all_Rscript_s`, `pskill`

Examples

```r
# Not run:
# create several running processes of Rscript (to shutdown)
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
# here are there pid numbers:
get_Rscript_PID()
# let's kill them:
kill_all_Rscript_s()
# they are gone...
get_Rscript_PID() # we no longer have Rscripts running

# End(Not run)
```
**kill_pid**

*kill (i.e.: stop) running processes by there pid*

---

**Description**

kill (i.e.: stop) running processes by there pid. It spawns a new Rscript which runs pskill on the pid-s

**Usage**

`kill_pid(pid, s = 0, m = 0, h = 0, ...)`

**Arguments**

- **pid**: an integer vector with process id numbers (i.e.: can kill severa pid at once!)
- **s**: numeric. number of seconds to wait before killing the processes
- **m**: numeric. number of minutes to wait before killing the processes
- **h**: numeric. number of hours to wait before killing the processes
- **...**: not used.

**Value**

output from system

**References**


**See Also**

`get_tasklist`, `get_Rscript_PID`, `get_pid`, `kill_pid`, `kill_all_Rscript_s`, `pskill`

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
# create several running processes of Rscript (to shutdown)
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
# here are there pid numbers:
get_Rscript_PID()
# let's kill them:
kil
```
**kill_process**

**Description**

kill (i.e.: stop) running processes by there process name. It spawns a new Rscript which runs `pskill` on the pid-s per process name.

**Usage**

```r
kill_process(process, s = 0, m = 0, h = 0, exact = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `process`: a character vector of process names.
- `s`: numeric. number of seconds to wait before killing the processes
- `m`: numeric. number of minutes to wait before killing the processes
- `h`: numeric. number of hours to wait before killing the processes
- `exact`: logical (FALSE). should we get exact match to process name, or can we use just partial matching.
- `...`: not used.

**Value**

output from system

**References**


**See Also**

`get_tasklist`, `get_Rscript_PID`, `get_pid`, `kill_pid`, `kill_all_Rscript_s`, `pskill`

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
# create several running processes of Rscript (to shutdown)
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
system("Rscript -e repeat(2+2)", wait = FALSE) # this process should be stuck
# here are there pid numbers:
get_Rscript_PID()
# let's kill them:
kill_process("Rscript")
# they are gone...
```
get_Rscript_PID() # we no longer have Rscripts running
## End(Not run)

Description

This function gets a vector of package names, and returns a line plot of number of downloads for these packages per week.

Usage

lineplot_package_downloads(pkg_names, dataset, by_time = c("date", "week"), ...)

Arguments

pkg_names  a character vector of packages we are interested in checking.
dataset  a dataset output from running read_RStudio_CRAN_data, after going through format_RStudio_CRAN_data.
by_time  by what time frame should packages be plotted? defaults to "date", but can also be "week"
...  not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value

invisible aggregated data that was used for the plot

Author(s)

Felix Schonbrodt, Tal Galili

Source

http://www.nicebread.de/finally-tracking-cran-packages-downloads/

See Also

download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day
load_installr_on_startup

Have the installr package load on startup

Description

Have the installr package load on startup

Usage

load_installr_on_startup(...)

Arguments

... not used. (but good for future backward compatibility)

Value

invisible(NULL)

References

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1395301/how-to-get-r-to-recognize-your-working-directory-as-its
most_downloaded_packages

Examples

```r
## Not run:
load_installr_on_startup()

## End(Not run)
```

---

Description

Gives the top "x" most downloaded packages.

Usage

```r
most_downloaded_packages(dataset, n = 6L, ...)
```

Arguments

- `dataset` a dataset output from running `read_RStudio_CRAN_data`, after going through `format_RStudio_CRAN_data`
- `n` the number of top packages to show.
- `...` not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, [http://cran.rstudio.com](http://cran.rstudio.com) and offers its log files.

Value

- a table of top packages by downloads (a numeric vector with packages as names)

Source


See Also

- `download_RStudio_CRAN_data`, `read_RStudio_CRAN_data`, `barplot_package_users_per_day`
myip

Examples

```r
## Not run:
# The first two functions might take a good deal of time to run (depending on the date range)
RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <-
download_RStudio_CRAN_data(START = '2013-04-02',
END = '2013-04-05')
# around the time R 3.0.0 was released
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- read_RStudio_CRAN_data(RStudio_CRAN_data_folder)
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- format_RStudio_CRAN_data(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
head(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
most_downloaded_packages(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

top_packages <- names(most_downloaded_packages(my_RStudio_CRAN_data))
lineplot_package_downloads(pkg_names = top_packages, dataset = my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

## End(Not run)
```

myip                  Retreiving your public IP via http://api.exip.org/

Description

Retreiving your public IP via http://api.exip.org/

Usage

myip(...)  

Arguments

...  

Value

your current ip.

Source


See Also

freegeoip, myip, cranometer
Examples

```bash
## Not run:
myip() # "37.132.25.15"

## End(Not run)
```

---

### os.hibernate

**Hibernate the operating system (Windows) through a shell command**

**Description**

This Hibernate Windows after set amount of time.

**Usage**

```bash
os.hibernate(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0, first_turn_hibernate_on = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- **s**: time to wait before shutting down (in seconds), added to m and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **m**: time to wait before shutting down (in minutes), added to s and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **h**: time to wait before shutting down (in hours), added to s and m; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **first_turn_hibernate_on**: default is TRUE. This runs "powercfg -hibernate on" in order to turn hibernate on, in cases where it was off.

**Value**

The status code of `shell`.

**Author(s)**

Tal Galili

**References**


**See Also**

`system`, `shell`, `Sys.sleep`, `is.windows`, `os.shutdown`, `os.sleep`, `os.hibernate`, `os.lock`, `os.restart`
Examples

```bash
## Not run:
## when your code is extremely time-consuming,
# you may need this function to run at the
# end of the simulation.
os.hibernate()

## End(Not run)
```

---

**os.lock**

*Locks the operating system (Windows) through a shell command*

Description

This locks Windows after set amount of time.

Usage

```bash
os.lock(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0)
```

Arguments

- `s`: time to wait before shutting down (in seconds), added to `m` and `h`; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- `m`: time to wait before shutting down (in minutes), added to `s` and `h`; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- `h`: time to wait before shutting down (in hours), added to `s` and `m`; passed to `Sys.sleep`

Value

The status code of `shell`.

Author(s)

Tal Galili

References


See Also

`system`, `shell`, `Sys.sleep`, `is.windows`, `os.shutdown`, `os.sleep`, `os.hibernate`, `os.lock`, `os.restart`
Examples

```r
## Not run:
## when your code is extremely time-consuming,
## you may need this function to run at the
## end of the simulation.
os.lock()

## End(Not run)
```

---

**os.manage**  
*Gives managing option to the current OS (shutdown, restart, sleep, hibernate, etc...)*

**Description**

A central function to run functions for shutting down, restarting, sleeping (etc.) your computer. This will run these functions immediately.

**Usage**

```r
os.manage(use GUI = TRUE, ask = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `use GUI` a logical indicating whether a graphics menu should be used if available. If TRUE, and on Windows, it will use `winDialog`, otherwise it will use `menu`.
- `ask` a logical indicating whether to ask the user for the number of minutes in which to perform the operation.
- `...` not in use

**Value**

The status code of `system`.

**References**

http://cos.name/en/topic/shut-down-your-windows-with-r

**See Also**

`system`, `shell`, `Sys.sleep`, `is.windows`, `os.shutdown`, `os.sleep`, `os.hibernate`, `os.lock`, `os.restart`
Examples

```r
# Not run:
# when your code is extremely time-consuming,
# you may need this function;
# e.g. you wish to go to sleep,
# while keeping R running with a long computation...
# complex graphics... and long long computation...
# at last,
# os.restart()

## the next day you wake up, “thank you, R” :)

## End(Not run)
```

---

### os.restart

**Restarts the operating system (Windows) through a shell command**

#### Description

This restarts Windows after set amount of time.

#### Usage

```r
os.restart(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0)
```

#### Arguments

- **s**
  - time to wait before shutting down (in seconds), added to m and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **m**
  - time to wait before shutting down (in minutes), added to s and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **h**
  - time to wait before shutting down (in hours), added to s and m; passed to `Sys.sleep`

#### Value

The status code of `shell`.

#### Author(s)

Tal Galili

#### References

See Also

system, shell, Sys.sleep, is.windows, os.shutdown, os.sleep, os.hibernate, os.lock, os.restart

Examples

```r
## Not run:
os.restart()

## End(Not run)
```

---

**os.shutdown**

*Shut down the operating system with the command ‘shutdown’*

**Description**

There is a command `shutdown` in both Windows and Linux, and this function uses it to shut down a computer.

After the time `wait` has passed, R will execute `shutdown -s -t 0` (for Windows) or `shutdown -h now` to shut down the computer.

This function is a modified version of Yihui’s `shutdown` function from the fun package.

**Usage**

```r
os.shutdown(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0)
```

**Arguments**

- `s` time to wait before shutting down (in seconds), added to `m` and `h`; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- `m` time to wait before shutting down (in minutes), added to `s` and `h`; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- `h` time to wait before shutting down (in hours), added to `s` and `m`; passed to `Sys.sleep`

**Value**

The status code of `system`.

**Author(s)**

Yihui Xie <http://yihui.name>, and Tal Galili

**References**

os.sleep  

**See Also**

`system, shell, Sys.sleep, is.windows, os.shutdown, os.sleep, os.hibernate, os.lock, os.restart`

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
## when your code is extremely time-consuming,
# you may need this function;
# e.g. you wish to go to sleep, while keeping R running long computation...

os.shutdown()
## the next day you wake up, “thank you, R” :)

## End(Not run)
```

---

**os.sleep**  

*Sleeps the operating system (Windows) through a shell command*

**Description**

This sleeps Windows after set amount of time.

**Usage**

```r
os.sleep(s = 0, m = 0, h = 0, first_turn Hibernate_off = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- **s**: time to wait before shutting down (in seconds), added to m and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **m**: time to wait before shutting down (in minutes), added to s and h; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **h**: time to wait before shutting down (in hours), added to s and m; passed to `Sys.sleep`
- **first_turn Hibernate_off**: The command rundll32.exe powrprof.dll,SetSuspendState 0,1,0 for sleep is correct - however, it will hibernate instead of sleep if you don’t turn the hibernation off. I’m not sure this is true, but that’s what is explained in the linke (see bellow)

**Value**

The status code of `shell`.

**Author(s)**

Tal Galili
package_authors

References

http://superuser.com/a/135450/28536

See Also

system, shell, Sys.sleep, is.windows, os.shutdown, os.sleep, os.hibernate, os.lock, os.restart

Examples

## Not run:
## when your code is extremely time-consuming,
# you may need this function to run at the end of
# the simulation.
os.sleep()

## End(Not run)

---

package_authors  Access (and clean) author elements from R’s Rd file

Description

Access (and clean) author elements from R’s Rd file

Usage

package_authors(package, to_strsplit = TRUE, split = c("|and"),
  to_table = FALSE, ...)

Arguments

package  a character string of the package we are interested in.

to_strsplit  logical (TRUE). Should the authors strings be split (in cases of a "and" or a comma ",")?

split  a character scalar to be passed to strsplit split paramter. default is c("|and")

to_table  logical (FALSE). Should the authors strings be listed in a table - showing a count of how many .Rd files they were listed in? If not - a unique list is produced.

...  not used.

Details

List authors for a package from its "author" tag elements from its Rd files. The function also separate lists of authors, and cleans the output a bit (from spaces at the beginning of the strings).
Value

a character vector with a package authors (as extracted from the author tag in the .Rd files)

References

Useful for updating your DESCRIPTION file:

http://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/R-exts.html#The-DESCRIPTION-file

See Also

fetch_tag_from_Rd

Examples

```r
## Not run:

# before:
fetch_tag_from_Rd("installr", "\author")
# after:
package_authors("installr")
sort(package_authors("installr")) # sorted name list...

## From the top R packages list:
## http://www.r-statistics.com/2013/06/top-100-r-packages-for-2013-jan-may/
package_authors("plyr")
package_authors("digest")
package_authors("ggplot2")
package_authors("colorspace")
package_authors("stringr") # empty string.

package_authors("knitr")
package_authors("MASS")
package_authors("rpart")
package_authors("Rcpp")

## End(Not run)
```

pkgDNLs_worldmapcolor  Worldmap colored by the number of downloads for a given package

Description

Plots a worldmap colored by the number of users installation for a given package
pkgDNLs_worldmapcolor

Usage

pkgDNLs_worldmapcolor(pkg_name, dataset, remove_dups = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

pkg_name a character string of the package we are interested in.
dataset a dataset output from running read_RStudio_CRAN_data.
remove_dups logical (default is TRUE). Should the duplicate user ids (based on their ips) be removed.
... not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value

a ggplot object

Author(s)

Boris Hejblum

Source

http://www.nicebread.de/finally-tracking-cran-packages-downloads/

See Also

download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day, ggplot

Examples

## Not run:
# The first two functions might take a good deal of time to run (depending on the date range)
RStudio_CRAN_data_folder <-
    download_RStudio_CRAN_data(START = '2013-04-02',
                              END = '2013-04-05')
# around the time R 3.0.0 was released
my_RStudio_CRAN_data <- readRStudio_CRAN_data(RStudio_CRAN_data_folder)
head(my_RStudio_CRAN_data)

wm <- pkgDNLs_worldmapcolor(pkg_name="installr", dataset = my_RStudio_CRAN_data)
wms

## End(Not run)
read_RStudio_CRAN_data

Reads RStudio CRAN mirror data files from a folder

Description

This function reads files downloaded from the download page (http://cran-logs.rstudio.com/).

This function relies on data.table to run faster. WARNING: this function can be quite slow...

Usage

read_RStudio_CRAN_data(log_folder = tempdir(), use_data_table = TRUE, packages, ...)

Arguments

log_folder the folder which contains the RStudio CRAN log files that were downloaded to. Default is the temporary folder picked by tempdir.

use_data_table default is TRUE. A switch for whether or not to use the data.table package in order to merge the log files using rbindlist. This function is MUCH faster than the alternative.

packages a character vector containing the names of packages for which information is extracted. If not specified, all packages are included, but this can cause out-of-memory problems if there are many log files.

... not in use.

Details

RStudio maintains its own CRAN mirror, http://cran.rstudio.com and offers its log files.

Value

Returns the combined data file.

Author(s)

Felix Schonbrodt, Tal Galili

Source

http://www.nicebread.de/finally-tracking-cran-packages-downloads/

See Also

download_RStudio_CRAN_data, read_RStudio_CRAN_data, barplot_package_users_per_day
**remove.installr.GUI**

Removes the menu based GUI for updating R within Rgui.

### Description

Removes the menu based GUI for updating R within Rgui.

### Usage

```r
remove.installr.GUI()
```

### Details

This function is used during `.Last.lib` to remove the menus for the `installr` package in Rgui.

### Value

`invisible(NULL)`

### Examples

```r
## Not run:
add.installr.GUI()  # add menus
remove.installr.GUI()  # remove them

## End(Not run)
```
remove_first_in_Rprofile.site

Remove a code line from Rprofile.site .First

Description

Goes through Rprofile.site text, finds a line of code - and removes it.

Usage

remove_first_in_Rprofile.site(code, fixed = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

code A character scalar with code to add at the beginning of the .First function in Rprofile.site

fixed passed to grep

... passed to grep

Value

logical. Did we remove that line or not (in case it was not there)

References

http://www.noamross.net/blog/2012/11/2/rprofile.html
http://www.statmethods.net/interface/customizing.html

Examples

## Not run:
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
add_to_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # TRUE
remove_from_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))")
is_in_.First_in_Rprofile.site("suppressMessages(require(installr))") # FALSE
# this would still leave .First

## End(Not run)
**require2**

*Loading Packages (and Installing them if they are missing)*

**Description**

require2 load add-on packages by passing it to `require`. However, if the package is not available on the system, it will first install it (through `install.packages`), and only then try to load it again.

**Usage**

`require2(package, ask = TRUE, ...)`

**Arguments**

- `package`  
  A character of the name of a package (can also be without quotes).
- `ask`  
  Should the user be asked to install the require packaged, in case it is missing? (default is TRUE)
- `...`  
  not used

**Value**

returns (invisibly) a logical indicating whether the required package is available.

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
a <- require2("devtools")
a
a <- require2(geonames)
a
## End(Not run)
```

**restart_RGui**

*Restart RGui from RGui*

**Description**

Start a new RGui session and then quites the current one.

This is a Windows only function.

**Usage**

`restart_RGui(...)`
Arguments

... passed to q()

Value

q(...)

Examples

## Not run:
restart_RGui()

## End(Not run)

---

rm_installr_from_startup

*Have the installr package NOT load on startup*

Description

Have the installr package NOT load on startup

Usage

`rm_installr_from_startup(...)`

Arguments

... not used. (but good for future backward compatibility)

Value

invisible(NULL)

References

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1395301/how-to-get-r-to-recognize-your-working-directory-as-its

Examples

## Not run:
load_installr_on_startup()
rm_installr_from_startup()

## End(Not run)
R_version_in_a_folder Get the version of the R installed in a folder

Description

Get the version of the R installed in a folder based on the structure of the filename README.R-
... (where ... is a version number for R). This function helps detect the version number of an
R installation even if the name of the folder is not standard. If multiple versions were installed,
overwriting each other, the most recent is selected.

Usage

R_version_in_a_folder(folder)

Arguments

folder The folder for which we wish to know the R version.

Value

Returns a character vector of the R version (or NA, if this is not an R installation folder)

See Also

get.installed.R.folders

Examples

## Not run:
R_version_in_a_folder(R.home())
# returns the version of the current R installation

## End(Not run)

source.https Read R Code from a File in an https URL

Description

source.https causes R to accept its input from a File in an https URL. Input is read and parsed from
that file until the end of the file is reached, then the parsed expressions are evaluated sequentially in
the chosen environment.

Usage

source.https(URL, ..., remove_r_file = T)
Arguments

- **URL** the URL of the .r file to download and source.
- **...** parameters to pass to `source`
- **remove_r_file** if to remove the .r file after it was sourced.

Details

"The easiest way to use Git on Windows." (at least so they say...)

Value

Nothing.

References

Other solutions to the `source.https` problem:

- A relevant (OLD) discussion: [http://stackoverflow.com/questions/7715723/sourcing-r-script-over-https](http://stackoverflow.com/questions/7715723/sourcing-r-script-over-https)

See Also

`source`

Examples

```r
## Not run:
source.https("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/talgalili/installr/master/R/install.r")
## End(Not run)
```

### system.PATH

**Returns the search path for executable files**

Description

Returns the search path for executable files based on

Usage

`system.PATH()`

Value

A character vector with the search path for executable files
**turn.number.version**

**References**


**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
system.PATH() #

## End(Not run)
```

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**turn.number.version**  _Turns a vector of version-numbers back to version-character_

**Description**

Turns a vector of version-numbers back to version-character

**Usage**

```r
turn.number.version(number_to_dots)
```

**Arguments**

- `number_to_dots`  A numeric vector - of the number-version of R

**Value**

A vector of "numbers" representing the versions (for example: 2015002). The names of the vector is the original version character.

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
turn.number.version(turn.version.to.number(c("2.15.2", "2.15.2")))
turn.number.version(2015011) # "2.15.11"

## End(Not run)
```
turn.version.to.number

Turns version to number (for a vector of values)

Description

Turns version to number (for a vector of values)

Usage

`turn.version.to.number(version_with_dots)`

Arguments

`version_with_dots`
- A character vector - of the version of R (for example 2.15.2)

Value

A vector of "numbers" representing the versions (for example: 2015002). The names of the vector is the original version character.

Examples

```r
CC not run
turn.version.to.number(c("2.15.2", "2.15.2"))

CC end not run
```

turn.version.to.number1

Turns version to number (for 1 value only)

Description

Turns version to number (for 1 value only)

Usage

`turn.version.to.number1(version_with_dots)`

Arguments

`version_with_dots`
- A character value - of the version of R (for example 2.15.2)
uninstall.packages

Value
A "number" representation of the version (for example: 2015002)

See Also
turn.version.to.number

Examples
## Not run:
turn.version.to.number1("2.15.2")
turn.version.to.number1("3.0.1")

## End(Not run)

uninstall.packages  uninstall (removes) Installed Packages

Description
A wrapper for remove.packages. Useful since it also works if the package is currently loaded into the workspace.

Usage
uninstall.packages(pkgs, lib, warning = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

- **pkgs**: a character vector with the names of the packages to be removed.
- **lib**: a character vector giving the library directories to remove the packages from. If missing, defaults to the first element in .libPaths.
- **warning**: boolean (TRUE), should a message be printed in various cases.
- **...**: currently ignored.

Value
Invisible NULL

See Also
install.packages, remove.packages, install.packages.zip
Examples

```r
## Not run:
install.packages(c("reshape", "plyr"))
require(plyr)
uninstall.packages(c("reshape", "plyr"))
install.packages(c("reshape", "plyr"))

## End(Not run)
```

uninstall.R  

Uninstall an R version

Description

Choose an R version to uninstall via a menubar. By default, the function allows the user to pick an R version to uninstall from a list. Also, the function can be called with using "r_version", where multiple R versions can be supplied and all will be uninstalled.

Usage

`uninstall.R(r_version, use_GUI = TRUE)`

Arguments

- `r_version`  
a character vector for R versions to uninstall (the format is of the style: "2.15.3"). default is empty - resulting in a prompt massage asking the user what to do.
- `use_GUI`  
If asking the user which R version to uninstall, should the GUI be used? (default is TRUE)

Value

the output of `system` running the uninstaller

See Also

`install.R, updateR, system`

Examples

```r
## Not run:
uninstall.R()  # choose an R version to uninstall
uninstall.R("2.15.3")  # will uninstall R 2.15.3
uninstall.R(c("2.15.3", "2.14.0"))  # will uninstall two R versions (if both exists)
uninstall.R("10.10.0")  # would pop up the menu options (until R 10.10.0 will be released :D )

## End(Not run)
```
updateR checks for the latest R version, and if there is a newer version of R - downloads and installs it.

Description

This function performs the following steps:

- Check what is the latest R version. If the current installed R version is up-to-date, the function ends (and returns FALSE)
- If a newer version of R is available, the user is asked if to review the NEWS of the latest R version - in order to decide if to install the newest R or not.
- If the user wishes to - the function will download and install it. (you will need to press the "next" buttons on your own)
- Once the installation is done, you should press "any-key", and the function will proceed with copying all of your packages from your old (well, current) R installation, into your newer R installation.
- You can then erase all of the packages in your old R installation.
- After your packages are moved (and the old ones possibly erased), you will get the option to update all of your packages in the new version of R.
- You will be asked if to open the R gui of your new R.
- Lastely - you can close the current session of your old R.

Usage

updateR(browse_news, install_R, copy_packages, keep_old_packages, update_packages, start_new_R, quit_R, print_R_versions = TRUE, use_GUI = TRUE, to_checkMD5sums = TRUE, keep_install_file = FALSE, download_dir = tempdir(), silent = FALSE, ...)

Arguments

browse_news if TRUE (and if there is a newer version of R) - it opens the browser to the NEWS of the latest version of R, for the user to read through
install_R TRUE/FALSE - if to install a new version of R (if one is available). If missing (this is the default) - the user be asked if to download R or not.Of course the installation part itself (the running of the .exe file) is dependent on the user.
copy_packages TRUE/FALSE - if to copy your packages from the old version of R to the new version of R. If missing (this is the default) - the user will be asked for his preference (he should say yes, unless he is using a global library folder).
update_packages TRUE/FALSE - if to update your packages in the new version of R (all packages will be updated without asking confirmation per package) If missing (this is the default) - the user will be asked for his preference (he should say yes, unless he is using a global library folder). This is done by calling the Rscript in the new R.
updateR

keep_old_packages
- if the keep the packages in the library of the old R installation. If missing (this is the default) - the user will be asked for his preference (he should say yes, unless he is using a global library folder).

start_new_R  TRUE/FALSE - if to start the new R (Rgui) after we will quit the old R. Default is TRUE. It will try to start the 64 bit R version, if it does not exist, the 32 bit will be started. This may be less useful for people using RStudio or the likes.

quit_R  TRUE/FALSE - if to quite R after the installation and package copying or not. If missing (this is the default) - the user is asked what to do.

print_R_versions
if to tell the user what version he has and what is the latest version (default is TRUE)

use_GUI  a logical indicating whether a graphics menu should be used if available. If TRUE, and on Windows, it will use winDialog, otherwise it will use menu.

to_checkMD5sums
Should we check that the new R installation has the files we expect it to (by checking the MD5 sums)? default is TRUE. It assumes that the R which was installed is the latest R version. parameter is passed to install.R()

keep_install_file
- If TRUE - the installer file will not be erased after it is downloaded and run.

download_dir  A character of the directory into which to download the file. (default is tempdir())

silent  If TRUE - enables silent installation mode.
...
Other arguments (this is currently not used in any way)

Details
It is worth noting that the function assumes that you are installing R in the same directory as before. That is, if the old R was on: D:RR-3.0.0 then the new R will be on D:RR-3.0.1.

Value
a TRUE/FALSE value on whether or not R was updated.

See Also

Examples
## Not run:
updateR(T, T, T, T, T, T)
## the safest upgrade option: See the NEWS,
# install R, copy packages, keep old packages,
# update packages in the new installation,
# start the Rgui of the new R, and quite current session
# of R
updateR() # will ask you what you want at every decision.

## End(Not run)

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**up_folder**

Performs "up-level" on a folder string

### Description

Gets a character vector of folder strings and returns the same vector after removing the end of the folder path.

### Usage

```r
up_folder(FOLDER, n = -1, ...)
```

### Arguments

- `FOLDER` a character vector of folders
- `n` passed to `n` in function `head`
- `...` not used.

### Value

The name of the file in the URL

### Examples

```r
up_folder(FOLDER = c("D:/R/R-3.0.1", "D:/R/R-3.0.2", "D:/R/R-3.0.3"))
```
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