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convert\_to\_date

User friendly date parsing function

## **Description**

convert\_to\_date() parses an input vector into POSIXct date object. It is also powerful to convert from excel date number like 42370 into date value like 2016-01-01.

## Usage

```
convert_to_date(date_num_char, tz = "UTC")
```

# **Arguments**

date\_num\_char A character or numeric vector of dates

Z

Time zone indicator. If NULL (default), a Date object is returned. Otherwise a POSIXct with time zone attribute set to tz.

#### Value

a vector of class Date

```
## ** heterogeneous dates **

dates <- c(
   44869, "22.09.2022", NA, "02/27/92", "01-19-2022",
   "13-01- 2022", "2023", "2023-2", 41750.2, 41751.99,
   "11 07 2023", "2023-4"
)</pre>
```

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```
convert_to_date(dates)
```

fill\_missing\_values

Fill missing values in a data frame

### **Description**

fill\_missing\_values() is an efficient function that addresses missing values in a data frame. It uses imputation by function, also known as column-based imputation, to impute the missing values. For continuous variables, it supports various methods of imputation, including minimum, maximum, mean, median, harmonic mean, and geometric mean. For categorical variables, missing values are replaced with the mode of the column. This approach ensures accurate and consistent replacements derived from individual columns, resulting in a complete and reliable dataset for improved analysis and decision-making.

# Usage

```
fill_missing_values(
   df,
   selected_variables = NULL,
   method = c("mean", "min", "max", "median", "harmonic", "geometric")
)
```

## **Arguments**

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A dataframe to process for missing value imputation.

selected\_variables

An optional vector of variable names within df for which missing values should be imputed. If NULL (default), imputation is applied to all variables in the data frame. Variables must be quoted.

method

A character string specifying the imputation method for continuous variables. Supported methods are "min", "max", "mean", "median", "harmonic", and "geometric". The default method is "mean". For categorical variables, the mode is always used.

# Value

A data frame with missing values imputed according to the specified method.

```
library(dplyr)
# Assuming 'df' is the dataframe you want to process

df <- tibble::tibble(
Sepal_Length = c(5.2, 5, 5.7, NA, 6.2, 6.7, 5.5),</pre>
```

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Petal_Length = c(1.5, 1.4, 4.2, 1.4, NA, 5.8, 3.7),
Petal_Width = c(NA, 0.2, 1.2, 0.2, 1.3, 1.8, NA),
Species = c("setosa", NA, "versicolor", "setosa",
           NA, "virginica", "setosa")
# Impute using the mean method for continuous variables
result_df_mean <- fill_missing_values(df, method = "mean")</pre>
result_df_mean
# Impute using the geometric mean for continuous variables and specify
# variables `Petal_Length` and `Petal_Width`.
result_df_geomean <- fill_missing_values(df, selected_variables = c</pre>
("Petal_Length", "Petal_Width"), method = "geometric")
result_df_geomean
# Impute missing values (NAs) in a grouped data frame
# You can do that by using the following:
sample_iris <- tibble::tibble(</pre>
Sepal_Length = c(5.2, 5, 5.7, NA, 6.2, 6.7, 5.5),
Petal_Length = c(1.5, 1.4, 4.2, 1.4, NA, 5.8, 3.7),
Petal_Width = c(0.3, 0.2, 1.2, 0.2, 1.3, 1.8, NA),
Species = c("setosa", "setosa", "versicolor", "setosa",
           "virginica", "virginica", "setosa")
)
sample_iris %>%
group_by(Species) %>%
group_split() %>%
map_df(fill_missing_values, method = "median")
```

generate\_dictionary Create a data dictionary from labelled data

# Description

generate\_dictionary() creates a data dictionary from a specified data frame. This function is particularly useful for understanding and documenting the structure of your dataset, similar to data dictionaries in Stata or SPSS.

```
generate_dictionary(data)
```

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## **Arguments**

data

a data frame or a survey object

#### **Details**

The function returns a tibble (a modern version of R's data frame) with the following columns:

- **position**: An integer vector indicating the column position in the data frame.
- variable: A character vector containing the names of the variables (columns).
- description: A character vector with a human-readable description of each variable.
- **column type**: A character vector specifying the data type (e.g., numeric, character) of each variable.
- missing: An integer vector indicating the count of missing values for each variable.
- levels: A list vector containing the levels for categorical variables, if applicable.

#### Value

A tibble representing the data dictionary. Each row corresponds to a variable in the original data frame, providing detailed information about the variable's characteristics.

# Examples

```
# Creating a data dictionary from an SPSS file
file_path <- system.file("extdata", "Wages.sav", package = "bulkreadr")
wage_data <- read_spss_data(file = file_path)
generate_dictionary(wage_data)</pre>
```

inspect\_na

Summarize missingness in data frame columns

# **Description**

inspect\_na() summarizes the rate of missingness in each column of a data frame. For a grouped data frame, the rate of missingness is summarized separately for each group.

# Usage

```
inspect_na(df)
```

#### **Arguments**

df

A data frame

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## **Details**

The tibble returned contains the columns:

- col\_name, a character vector containing column names of df1.
- cnt, an integer vector containing the number of missing values by column.
- pcnt, the percentage of records in each columns that is missing.

#### Value

A tibble summarizing the count and percentage of columnwise missingness for a data frame.

### **Examples**

```
library(dplyr)

# dataframe summary
inspect_na(airquality)

# grouped dataframe summary
airquality %>%
group_by(Month) %>%
inspect_na()
```

look\_for

Look for keywords variable names and descriptions in labelled data

#### **Description**

The look\_for() function is designed to emulate the functionality of the Stata lookfor command in R. It provides a powerful tool for searching through large datasets, specifically targeting variable names, variable label descriptions, factor levels, and value labels. This function is handy for users working with extensive and complex datasets, enabling them to quickly and efficiently locate the variables of interest.

```
look_for(
  data,
  ...,
  labels = TRUE,
  values = TRUE,
  ignore.case = TRUE,
  details = c("basic", "none", "full")
)
```

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# **Arguments**

data	a data frame or a survey object
	optional list of keywords, a character string (or several character strings), which can be formatted as a regular expression suitable for a base::grep() pattern, or a vector of keywords; displays all variables if not specified
labels	whether or not to search variable labels (descriptions); TRUE by default
values	whether or not to search within values (factor levels or value labels); TRUE by default
ignore.case	whether or not to make the keywords case sensitive; TRUE by default (case is ignored during matching)
details	add details about each variable (full details could be time consuming for big data frames, FALSE is equivalent to "none" and TRUE to "full")

## Value

A tibble data frame featuring the variable position, name and description (if it exists) in the original data frame.

# **Examples**

```
look_for(iris)
# Look for a single keyword.
look_for(iris, "petal")
look_for(iris, "s")
```

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Extract or replace parts of an object

# Description

 $pull_out()$  is similar to [. It acts on vectors, matrices, arrays and lists to extract or replace parts. It is pleasant to use with the magrittr (%>%) and base (|>) operators.

## Value

pull\_out() will return an object of the same class as the input object.

### **Examples**

```
good_choice <- letters %>%
   pull_out(c(5, 2, 1, 4))
good_choice
iris %>%
   pull_out(, 1:4) %>%
   head()
```

read\_csv\_files\_from\_dir

Reads all CSV files from a directory

#### **Description**

read\_csv\_files\_from\_dir reads all csv files from the "~/data" directory and returns an appended dataframe. The resulting dataframe will be in the same order as the CSV files in the directory.

#### Usage

```
read_csv_files_from_dir(dir_path = ".", col_types = NULL, .id = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

dir\_path

Path to the directory containing the CSV files.

col\_types

One of NULL, a cols() specification, or a string. See vignette("readr") for more details.

If NULL, all column types will be inferred from guess\_max rows of the input, interspersed throughout the file. This is convenient (and fast), but not robust. If the guessed types are wrong, you'll need to increase guess\_max or supply the correct types yourself.

Column specifications created by list() or cols() must contain one column specification for each column. If you only want to read a subset of the columns, use cols\_only().

Alternatively, you can use a compact string representation where each character represents one column:

- c = character
- i = integer
- n = number
- d = double
- 1 = logical
- f = factor

- D = date
- T = date time
- t = time
- ? = guess
- or = skip

By default, reading a file without a column specification will print a message showing what readr guessed they were. To remove this message, set show\_col\_types = FALSE or set options(readr.show\_col\_types = FALSE).

.id

The name of a column in which to store the file path. This is useful when reading multiple input files and there is data in the file paths, such as the data collection date. If NULL (the default) no extra column is created.

#### Value

A tibble. If there is any column type mismatch during data frames row binding, an error will occur. This is because R cannot combine columns of different types. For example, you cannot combine a column of integers with a column of characters.

#### See Also

read\_excel\_files\_from\_dir() which reads Excel workbooks data from a directory.

#### **Examples**

```
read_excel_files_from_dir
```

Read Excel Workbooks data from a directory

#### **Description**

read\_excel\_files\_from\_dir() reads all Excel workbooks in the "~/data" directory and returns an appended dataframe.

```
read_excel_files_from_dir(dir_path, col_types = NULL, .id = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

dir\_path Path to the directory containing the xls/xlsx files.

col\_types Either NULL to guess all from the spreadsheet or a character vector containing

one entry per column from these options: "skip", "guess", "logical", "numeric", "date", "text" or "list". If exactly one col\_type is specified, it will be recycled. The content of a cell in a skipped column is never read and that column will not appear in the data frame output. A list cell loads a column as a list of length 1 vectors, which are typed using the type guessing logic from col\_types = NULL,

but on a cell-by-cell basis.

.id The name of an optional identifier column. Provide a string to create an out-

put column that identifies each input. The column will use names if available,

otherwise it will use positions.

#### Value

A tibble. If there is any column type mismatch during data frames row binding, an error will occur. This is because R cannot combine columns of different types. For example, you cannot combine a column of integers with a column of characters.

#### See Also

read\_excel\_workbook() which imports data from multiple sheets of an Excel workbook

#### **Examples**

read\_excel\_workbook

Import data from multiple sheets of an Excel workbook

#### **Description**

read\_excel\_workbook() reads all the data from the sheets of an Excel workbook and return an appended dataframe.

```
read_excel_workbook(path, col_types = NULL, .id = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

path Path to the xls/xlsx file.

col\_types Either NULL to guess all from the spreadsheet or a character vector containing

one entry per column from these options: "skip", "guess", "logical", "numeric", "date", "text" or "list". If exactly one col\_type is specified, it will be recycled. The content of a cell in a skipped column is never read and that column will not appear in the data frame output. A list cell loads a column as a list of length 1 vectors, which are typed using the type guessing logic from col\_types = NULL,

but on a cell-by-cell basis.

.id The name of an optional identifier column. Provide a string to create an out-

put column that identifies each input. The column will use names if available,

otherwise it will use positions.

#### Value

A tibble. If there is any column type mismatch during data frames row binding, an error will occur. This is because R cannot combine columns of different types. For example, you cannot combine a column of integers with a column of characters.

#### See Also

read\_excel(), which reads a Sheet of an Excel file into a data frame, and read\_gsheets(), which imports data from multiple sheets in a Google Sheets.

# **Examples**

read\_gsheets

Import data from multiple sheets in Google Sheets

#### **Description**

The read\_gsheets() function imports data from multiple sheets in a Google Sheets spreadsheet and appends the resulting dataframes from each sheet together to create a single dataframe. This function is a powerful tool for data analysis, as it allows you to easily combine data from multiple sheets into a single dataset.

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#### Usage

```
read_gsheets(ss, col_types = NULL, .id = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

ss Something that identifies a Google Sheet:

- its file id as a string or drive\_id
- a URL from which we can recover the id
- a one-row dribble, which is how googledrive represents Drive files
- an instance of googlesheets4\_spreadsheet, which is what gs4\_get() returns

Processed through as\_sheets\_id().

col\_types

Column types. Either NULL to guess all from the spreadsheet or a string of readr-style shortcodes, with one character or code per column. If exactly one col\_type is specified, it is recycled. See Column Specification for more.

.id

The name of an optional identifier column. Provide a string to create an output column that identifies each input. The column will use names if available, otherwise it will use positions.

#### Value

A tibble. If there is any column type mismatch during data frames row binding, an error will occur. This is because R cannot combine columns of different types. For example, you cannot combine a column of integers with a column of characters.

#### See Also

read\_sheet() which reads a Google (spread)Sheet into a data frame.

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Read SPSS data file

#### **Description**

 $read\_spss\_data()$  is designed to seamlessly import data from an SPSS data (.sav or .zsav) files. It converts labelled variables into factors, a crucial step that enhances the ease of data manipulation and analysis within the R programming environment.

#### Usage

```
read_spss_data(file, label = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

file The path to the SPSS data file.

label Logical indicating whether to use variable labels as column names (default is

FALSE).

## Value

A tibble containing the data from the SPSS file.

# See Also

read\_stata\_data() which reads Stata data file and converts labelled variables into factors.

```
# Read an SPSS data file without converting variable labels as column names
file_path <- system.file("extdata", "Wages.sav", package = "bulkreadr")
data <- read_spss_data(file = file_path)
data
# Read an SPSS data file and convert variable labels as column names
data <- read_spss_data(file = file_path, label = TRUE)
data</pre>
```

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Read Stata data file

# **Description**

Read Stata data file

# Usage

```
read_stata_data(file, label = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

file The path to the Stata data file.

label Logical indicating whether to use variable labels as column names (default is

FALSE).

#### Value

A data frame containing the Stata data, with labeled variables converted to factors.

#### See Also

read\_spss\_data() which reads SPSS data file and converts labelled variables into factors.

```
# Read Stata data file without converting variable labels as column names
file_path <- system.file("extdata", "Wages.dta", package = "bulkreadr")
data <- read_stata_data(file = file_path)
data
# Read Stata data file and convert variable labels as column names
data <- read_stata_data(file = file_path, label = TRUE)
data</pre>
```

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