

# Package ‘tryCatchLog’

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append.to.last.tryCatchLog.result

*Appends a new log entry to the stored logging output of the last call to tryCatchLog or tryLog*

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## Description

You can get the last logging output by calling [last.tryCatchLog.result](#).

## Usage

```
append.to.last.tryCatchLog.result(new.log.entry)
```

## Arguments

`new.log.entry` the new log entry (a data.frame created with `link{build.log.entry}`)

## Details

THIS FUNCTION IS USED ONLY PACKAGE INTERNALLY!

## Value

the complete logging result of the last call to tryCatchLog or tryLog as data.frame

## Note

THIS IS A PACKAGE INTERNAL FUNCTION AND THEREFORE NOT EXPORTED.

## See Also

[last.tryCatchLog.result](#), [reset.last.tryCatchLog.result](#),

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build.log.entry	<i>Creates a log entry as a single data.frame row containing all relevant logging information in columns</i>
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### Description

The severity level should correspond to the condition class.

### Usage

```
build.log.entry(
  timestamp,
  severity,
  msg.text,
  execution.context.msg,
  call.stack,
  dump.file.name,
  omit.call.stack.items = 0
)
```

### Arguments

timestamp	logging timestamp as <a href="#">POSIXct</a> (normally by calling <a href="#">Sys.time</a> )
severity	severity level of the log entry (( <a href="#">ERROR</a> , <a href="#">WARN</a> , <a href="#">INFO</a> etc.)
msg.text	Logging message (e. g. error message)
execution.context.msg	a text identifier (eg. the <a href="#">PID</a> or a variable value) that will be appended to msg.text for caught conditions. Must be a character or an error is thrown.
call.stack	a call stack created by <a href="#">sys.calls</a>
dump.file.name	name of the created dump file (leave empty if the <a href="#">tryCatchLog</a> argument <code>write.error.dump.file</code> is <code>FALSE</code> )
omit.call.stack.items	the number of stack trace items to ignore (= last x calls) in the passed <code>call.stack</code> since they are caused by using <code>tryCatchLog</code>

### Value

An object of class `tryCatchLog.log.entry` and [data.frame](#) and the following columns:

1. `timestamp` - creation date and time of the logging entry
2. `severity` - the severity level of the log entry ([ERROR](#), [WARN](#), [INFO](#) etc.)
3. `msg.text` - the message text of the log entry
4. `compact.stack.trace` - the short stack trace containing only entries with source code references down to line of code that has thrown the condition

5. full.stack.trace - the full stack trace with all calls down to the line of code that has thrown the condition (including calls to R internal functions and other functions even when the source code is not available).
6. dump.file.name - name of the created dump file (if any)

**Note**

THIS IS A PACKAGE INTERNAL FUNCTION AND THEREFORE NOT EXPORTED.

**See Also**

[last.tryCatchLog.result](#) [build.log.output](#)

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<code>build.log.output</code>	<i>Creates a single string suited as logging output</i>
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**Description**

To view the formatted output print the logging output in a console use `cat` (instead of printing the output with `print` which shows the newline escape codes).

**Usage**

```
build.log.output(
  log.results,
  include.full.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack", TRUE),
  include.compact.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack",
    TRUE),
  include.severity = TRUE,
  include.timestamp = FALSE,
  use.platform.newline = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>log.results</code>	A data frame and member of the class <code>tryCatchLog.log.entry</code> with log entry rows as returned by <a href="#">last.tryCatchLog.result</a> containing the logging information to be prepared for the logging output.
<code>include.full.call.stack</code>	Flag of type <b>logical</b> : Shall the full call stack be included in the log output? Since the full call stack may be very long and the compact call stack has enough details normally the full call stack can be omitted by passing <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>include.compact.call.stack</code>	Flag of type <b>logical</b> : Shall the compact call stack (including only calls with source code references) be included in the log output? Note: If you omit both the full and compact call stacks the message text will be output without call stacks.

`include.severity`  
 logical switch if the severity level (e. g. ERROR) shall be included in the output

`include.timestamp`  
 logical switch if the timestamp of the caught condition shall be included in the output

`use.platform.newline`  
 logical: If TRUE the line breaks ("newline") will be inserted according to the current operating system (Windows: CR+LF, else: CR). If FALSE R's usual \n escape character will be inserted and it is left to the client to convert this later into the operation-system-specific characters. This argument is rarely required (except e. g. if you want to write the return value into a database table column on Windows).

**Value**

A ready to use logging output with stack trace (as character)

**Note**

The logged call stack details (compact, full or both) can be configured globally using the options `tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack` and `tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack`.

The result of the package internal function `build.log.entry` can be passed as `log.results` argument.

**See Also**

[last.tryCatchLog.result](#) `build.log.entry`

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`determine.platform.NewLine`

*Determines the operating system specific new line character(s)*

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**Description**

CR + LF on Windows, else only LF...

**Usage**

`determine.platform.NewLine()`

**Details**

This function is pendant to Microsoft's .Net "Environment.NewLine".

**Value**

the new line character(s) for the current operating system

**Note**

THIS IS A PACKAGE INTERNAL FUNCTION AND THEREFORE NOT EXPORTED.

**References**

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/47478498/build-string-with-os-specific-newline-characters-crlf>

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get.pretty.call.stack *Pretty formatted call stack enriched with the source file names and row numbers*

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**Description**

Enriches the current call stack with the source file names and row numbers to track the location of thrown conditions and generates a prettily formatted list of strings

**Usage**

```
get.pretty.call.stack(call.stack, omit.last.items = 0, compact = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

call.stack	Call stack object created by <a href="#">sys.calls</a>
omit.last.items	Number of call stack items to drop from the end of the full stack trace
compact	TRUE will return only call stack items that have a source code reference (FALSE all)

**Details**

How to read the call stack:

1. Call stack items consist of:  
<call stack item number> [<file name>#<row number>:] <expression executed by this code line>
2. The last call stack items with a file name and row number points to the source code line causing the error.
3. Ignore all call stack items that do not start with a file name and row number (R internal calls only)

You should only call this function from within [withCallingHandlers](#), NOT from within [tryCatch](#) since tryCatch unwinds the call stack to the tryCatch position and the source of the condition cannot be identified anymore.

**Value**

The call stack ([sys.calls](#)) without the last number of function calls (given by "omit.last.items") to remove irrelevant calls caused e. g. by exception handler ([withCallingHandlers](#)) or restarts (of warnings).

**See Also**

[tryCatchLog](#), [tryLog](#), [limitedLabelsCompact](#)

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get.pretty.option.value

*gets the current value of an option as key/value string*

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**Description**

The data type is also indicated if an option is set (since a wrong data type may cause problems). If an option is not set "(not set)" is shown as value.

**Usage**

```
get.pretty.option.value(option.name)
```

**Arguments**

option.name      Name of the option (as character)

**Details**

THIS IS AN INTERNAL PRIVATE FUNCTION OF THE PACKAGE.

**Value**

The option as key/value string in one line

**See Also**

[get.pretty.tryCatchLog.options](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
tryCatchLog:::get.pretty.option.value("warn")  
# [1] "Option warn = 0 (double)"  
## End(Not run)
```

```
get.pretty.tryCatchLog.options
```

*Gets the current option values of all options supported by the 'tryCatchLog' package*

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### Description

This is a convenience function whose result can be used e. g. to log the current settings.

### Usage

```
get.pretty.tryCatchLog.options()
```

### Details

If an option is not set the string "(not set)" is shown as value.

The data type is also indicated if an option is set (since a wrong data type may cause problems).

### Value

The current option settings as string (one per line as key/value pair), e. g.

```
Option tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.file = FALSE (logical)
Option tryCatchLog.write.error.folder = . (character)
Option tryCatchLog.silent.warnings = FALSE (logical)
Option tryCatchLog.silent.messages = (not set)
```

### Examples

```
cat(get.pretty.tryCatchLog.options()) # "cat" does apply new line escape characters
```

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```
is.duplicated.log.entry
```

*Check if a new log entry would be a duplicate of an already existing log entry*

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### Description

The log.entry is checked against the existing log entries from [last.tryCatchLog.result](#) using the following columns:

1. msg.text
2. full.stack.trace



**Usage**

```
is.duplicated.log.entry(log.entry)
```

**Arguments**

log.entry      A data.frame with the new log entry (exactly one row)

**Value**

TRUE if the log.entry is a duplicate, else FALSE

**Note**

Required function to fix issue #18 (<https://github.com/aryoda/tryCatchLog/issues/18>)

**See Also**

[last.tryCatchLog.result](#), [build.log.entry](#)

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*is.package.available*    *Checks if a package is installed and can be loaded*

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**Description**

Use this function to check for optional package dependencies within this package.

**Usage**

```
is.package.available(package.name)
```

**Arguments**

package.name    Name of the package (as string)

**Details**

This is a package-internal function!  
See section ‘Good practice’ in ‘?.onAttach’.

**Value**

TRUE if the packages is installed, otherwise FALSE  
<http://r-pkgs.had.co.nz/description.html>

**Examples**

```
tryCatchLog:::is.package.available("tryCatchLog") # must be TRUE :-)
```

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`is.windows`*Determines if R is running on a Windows operating system*

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**Description**

Throws a warning if an indication for Windows OS were found but the Windows OS cannot be recognized for sure (via a second different check).

**Usage**`is.windows()`**Value**

TRUE of running on a Windows OS else FALSE

**Examples**`is.windows()`

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`last.tryCatchLog.result`*Gets the logging result of the last call to tryCatchLog or tryLog*

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**Description**

This funktion makes the logging results of all thrown conditions of the last tryCatchLog or tryLog call available in a structured form (`data.frame`).

**Usage**`last.tryCatchLog.result()`**Details**

The typical use case is to get and store the log output not only in a log file but also in another place that is not supported by the logging framework, e. g. in a data base table of your application or displaying it in a GUI (user interface).

Another use case is to review the last log output on the console during debugging.

**Value**

the logging result of the last call to `tryCatchLog` or `tryLog` as `data.frame` comprised of one row per logged condition with these columns:

1. `timestamp` - creation date and time of the logging entry
2. `severity` - the severity level of the log entry (ERROR, WARN, INFO etc.)
3. `msg.text` - the message text of the log entry
4. `execution.context.msg` - text identifier (eg. the PID or a variable value) as passed as argument to `tryCatchLog` or `tryLog` to make it easier to identify the runtime state that caused a condition esp. in parallel execution scenarios
5. `compact.stack.trace` - the short stack trace containing only entries with source code references down to line of code that has thrown the condition
6. `full.stack.trace` - the full stack trace with all calls down to the line of code that has thrown the condition (including calls to R internal functions and other functions even when the source code is not available).
7. `dump.file.name` - name of the created dump file (if any)

If no condition is logged at all an empty `data.table` is returned.

**See Also**

[tryCatchLog](#), [tryLog](#)

**Examples**

```
last.tryCatchLog.result()
```

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`limitedLabelsCompact` *Convert a call stack into a list of printable strings*

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**Description**

Converts a call stack into a list of printable strings ("labels") with a limited length per call. If source code references are available they are also printed in the stack trace using this notation: `<file name>#<line number>: executed R expression (call)`

**Usage**

```
limitedLabelsCompact(  
  value,  
  compact = FALSE,  
  maxwidth = getOption("width") - 5L  
)
```

**Arguments**

value	a list of calls ("call.stack") generated by <code>sys.calls</code>
compact	if TRUE only calls that contain a source code reference (attribute "srcref") are returned (plus always the first call); if FALSE all calls will be returned.
maxwidth	Maximum number of characters per call in the return value (longer strings will be cutted). Must be between 40 and 2000 (until version 1.2.2: 1000)

**Details**

By default the maximum number of source code rows that are printed per call in the full stack trace is 10. You can change this via the option `tryCatchLog.max.lines.per.call` (see example).

R does track source code references only if you set the option "keep.source" to TRUE via `options(keep.source = TRUE)`. Without this option this function cannot enrich source code references. If you use Rscript to start a non-interactive R script as batch job you have to set this option since it is FALSE by default. You can add this option to your `.Rprofile` file or use a startup R script that sets this option and sources your actual R script then.

This function is based on the undocumented `limitedLabels` function of the base package. The source code can be viewed by entering `limitedLabels` in the R console. The attributes required to add source file names and line numbers to the calls (srcref and srcref) and how they are created internally are explained in this article: [https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2010-2/RJournal\\_2010-2\\_Murdoch.pdf](https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2010-2/RJournal_2010-2_Murdoch.pdf)

**Value**

A list of strings (one for each call). If `compact` is TRUE at the last call is returned even if it does not contain a source code reference.

**See Also**

`sys.calls`, `tryCatchLog`, `get.pretty.call.stack`

**Examples**

```
options(tryCatchLog.max.lines.per.call = 30)
limitedLabelsCompact(sys.calls(), TRUE)
```

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log2console	<i>Prints a time-stamped log message to the console incl. the severity level</i>
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**Description**

This is a package-internal function.

**Usage**

```
log2console(severity.level, msg)
```

**Arguments**

`severity.level` String containing the severity level (ERROR, WARN or INFO) of the message  
`msg` The message to be printed (as character).

**Value**

The log message as it was printed to the console. NA is printed as empty string.

**Examples**

```
tryCatchLog::log2console("WARN", "this is my last warning")
```

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<code>platform.NewLine</code>	<i>Gets the operating system specific new line character(s)</i>
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**Description**

CR + LF on Windows, else only LF...

**Usage**

```
platform.NewLine()
```

**Details**

The newline character(s) are determined once at package loading time.

**Value**

the new line character(s) for the current operating system

**Examples**

```
platform.NewLine()
```

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```
reset.last.tryCatchLog.result
```

*Resets the stored logging output of the last call to tryCatchLog or tryLog to an empty list*

---

### Description

You can get the last logging output by calling [last.tryCatchLog.result](#).

### Usage

```
reset.last.tryCatchLog.result()
```

### Value

invisible: TRUE

### Note

THIS IS A PACKAGE INTERNAL FUNCTION AND THEREFORE NOT EXPORTED.

### See Also

[last.tryCatchLog.result](#), [append.to.last.tryCatchLog.result](#),

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```
set.logging.functions
```

*Sets the logging functions that shall be used by tryCatchLog for the different severity levels*

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### Description

The logging functions must have at least one parameter: The logging message (as character) which must be the first argument.

### Usage

```
set.logging.functions(
  error.log.func = function(msg) tryCatchLog::log2console("ERROR", msg),
  warn.log.func = function(msg) tryCatchLog::log2console("WARN", msg),
  info.log.func = function(msg) tryCatchLog::log2console("INFO", msg)
)
```

### Arguments

`error.log.func` The logging function for errors  
`warn.log.func` The logging function for warning  
`info.log.func` The error function for messages

**Details**

The default logging functions are internal functions without any dependencies to other logging packages. They use the same logging output format as **futile.logger** version 1.4.3.

If you want to disable any logging output you should use a decent logging framework which allows to set the logging threshold (e. g. futile.logger's [flog.threshold](#)).

The package-internal default logging functions are only a minimal implementation and are not meant to replace a decent logging framework.

**Value**

Nothing

**See Also**

[tryCatchLog](#)

**Examples**

```
# To disable any logging you could use "empty" functions
set.logging.functions( error.log.func = function(msg) invisible(),
                      warn.log.func  = function(msg) invisible(),
                      info.log.func  = function(msg) invisible())
```

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tryCatchLog

*Try an expression with condition logging and error handling*

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**Description**

This function evaluates an expression passed in the `expr` parameter, logs all conditions and executes the condition handlers passed in ... (if any).

**Usage**

```
tryCatchLog(
  expr,
  ...,
  execution.context.msg = "",
  finally = NULL,
  write.error.dump.file = getOption("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.file", FALSE),
  write.error.dump.folder = getOption("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.folder", "."),
  silent.warnings = getOption("tryCatchLog.silent.warnings", FALSE),
  silent.messages = getOption("tryCatchLog.silent.messages", FALSE),
  include.full.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack", TRUE),
  include.compact.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack",
    TRUE),
  logged.conditions = getOption("tryCatchLog.logged.conditions", NULL)
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>expr</code>	R expression to be evaluated
<code>...</code>	condition handler functions (as in <a href="#">tryCatch</a> ). The following condition names are mainly used in R: <code>error</code> , <code>warning</code> , <code>message</code> and <code>interrupt</code> . A handler for user-defined conditions can be established for the generic condition super class. All condition handlers are passed to <a href="#">tryCatch</a> as is (no filtering, wrapping or changing of semantics).
<code>execution.context.msg</code>	a text identifier (eg. the PID or a variable value) that will be added to <code>msg.text</code> for caught conditions. This makes it easier to identify the runtime state that caused a condition esp. in parallel execution scenarios. The value must be of length 1 and will be coerced to character. Expressions are not allowed. The added output has the form: <code>{execution.context.msg: your_value}</code>
<code>finally</code>	expression to be evaluated at the end (after executing the expression and calling the matching handler).
<code>write.error.dump.file</code>	TRUE: Saves a dump of the workspace and the call stack named <code>dump_&lt;YYYYMMDD&gt;_at_&lt;HHMMSS.sss&gt;_PID.id.rda</code> . This dump file name pattern shall ensure unique file names in parallel processing scenarios.
<code>write.error.dump.folder</code>	path: Saves the dump of the workspace in a specific folder instead of the working directory
<code>silent.warnings</code>	TRUE: Warnings are logged only, but not propagated to the caller. FALSE: Warnings are logged and treated according to the global setting in <a href="#">getOption("warn")</a> . See also <a href="#">warning</a> .
<code>silent.messages</code>	TRUE: Messages are logged, but not propagated to the caller. FALSE: Messages are logged and propagated to the caller.
<code>include.full.call.stack</code>	Flag of type <a href="#">logical</a> : Shall the full call stack be included in the log output? Since the full call stack may be very long and the compact call stack has enough details normally the full call stack can be omitted by passing FALSE. The default value can be changed globally by setting the option <code>tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack</code> . The full call stack can always be found via <a href="#">last.tryCatchLog.result</a> .
<code>include.compact.call.stack</code>	Flag of type <a href="#">logical</a> : Shall the compact call stack (including only calls with source code references) be included in the log output? Note: If you omit both the full and compact call stacks the message text will be output without call stacks. The default value can be changed globally by setting the option <code>tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack</code> . The compact call stack can always be found via <a href="#">last.tryCatchLog.result</a> .
<code>logged.conditions</code>	NULL: Conditions are not logged. vector of strings: Only conditions whose class name is contained in this vector are logged. NA: All conditions are logged.



## Details

The finally expression is then always evaluated at the end.

Condition handlers work as in base R's `tryCatch`.

Conditions are also logged including the function call stack with file names and line numbers (if available).

By default the maximum number of source code rows that are printed per call in the full stack trace is 10. You can change this via the option `tryCatchLog.max.lines.per.call` (see example).

This function shall overcome some drawbacks of the standard `tryCatch` function.

For more details see <https://github.com/aryoda/tryCatchLog>.

If the package **futile.logger** is installed it will be used for writing logging output, otherwise an internal basic logging output function is used.

Before you call `tryCatchLog` for the first time you should initialize the logging framework you are using (e. g. **futile.logger** to control the log output (log to console or file etc.):

```
library(futile.logger)
flog.appender(appender.file("my_app.log"))
flog.threshold(INFO) # TRACE, DEBUG, INFO, WARN, ERROR, FATAL
```

If you are using the **futile.logger** package `tryCatchLog` calls these log functions for the different R conditions to log them:

1. error -> `flog.error`
2. warning -> `flog.warn`
3. message -> `flog.info`
4. interrupt -> `flog.info`

### **‘tryCatchLog‘ does log all conditions (incl. user-defined conditions).**

Since the interrupt condition does not have an error message attribute `tryCatchLog` uses "User-requested interrupt" as message in the logs.

The log contains the call stack with the file names and line numbers (if available).

R does track source code references of scripts only if you set the option `keep.source` to `TRUE` via `options(keep.source = TRUE)`. Without this option this function cannot enrich source code references.

If you use `Rscript` to start a non-interactive R script as batch job you have to set this option since it is `FALSE` by default. You can add this option to your `.Rprofile` file or use a startup R script that sets this option and sources your actual R script then.

By default, most packages are built without source reference information. Setting the environment variable `R_KEEP_PKG_SOURCE=yes` before installing a source package will tell R to keep the source references. You can also use `options(keep.source.pkgs = TRUE)` before you install a package.

Setting the parameter `tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.file` to `TRUE` allows a post-mortem analysis of the program state that led to the error. The dump contains the workspace and in the variable "last.dump" the call stack (`sys.frames`). This feature is very helpful for non-interactive R scripts ("batches").

Setting the parameter `tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.folder` to a specific path allows to save the dump in a specific folder. If not set, the dump will be saved in the working directory.

To start a post-mortem analysis after an error open a new R session and enter: `load("dump_20161016_164050.rda")`  
 # replace the dump file name with your real file name `debugger(last.dump)`

Note that the dump does **not** contain the loaded packages when the dump file was created and a dump loaded into memory does therefore **not** use exactly the same search path. This means:

1. the program state is not exactly reproducible if objects are stored within a package namespace
2. you cannot step through your source code in a reproducible way after loading the image if your source code calls functions of non-default packages

### Value

the value of the expression passed in as parameter "expr"

### Best practices

To **avoid that too many dump files filling your disk space** you should omit the `write.error.dump.file` parameter and instead set its default value using the option `tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.file` in your `.Rprofile` file instead (or in a startup R script that sources your actual script). In case of an error (that you can reproduce) you set the option to `TRUE` and re-run your script. Then you are able to examine the program state that led to the error by debugging the saved dump file.

To see the **source code references (source file names and line numbers)** in the stack traces you must set this option before executing your code:  
`options(keep.source = TRUE)`

You can **execute your code as batch with Rscript using this shell script command:**

```
Rscript -e "options(keep.source = TRUE); source('my_main_function.R')"
```

### References

<http://adv-r.had.co.nz/beyond-exception-handling.html>

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/39964040/r-catch-errors-and-continue-execution-after-logging-t>

### See Also

[tryLog](#), [limitedLabels](#), [get.pretty.call.stack](#), [last.tryCatchLog.result](#), [set.logging.functions](#), [tryCatch](#), [withCallingHandlers](#), [signalCondition](#), [getOption](#)

### Examples

```
tryCatchLog(log(-1)) # logs a warning (logarithm of a negative number is not possible)
tryLog(log(-1), execution.context.msg = Sys.getpid())
```

```
# set and unset an option
options("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.folder" = "my_log")
options("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.folder" = NULL)
```

```
options(tryCatchLog.max.lines.per.call = 30)
```

```
## Not run:
# Use case for "execution.context.msg" argument: Loops and parallel execution
library(foreach)      # support parallel execution (requires an parallel execution plan)
options(tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack = FALSE) # reduce the output for demo purposes
res <- foreach(i = 1:12) %dopar% {
  tryCatchLog(log(10 - i), execution.context.msg = i)
}

## End(Not run)
```

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tryLog

*Try an expression with condition logging and error recovery*


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## Description

tryLog is implemented by calling `tryCatchLog` and traps any errors that occur during the evaluation of an expression without stopping the execution of the script (similar to `try`). Errors, warnings and messages are logged. In contrast to `tryCatchLog` it returns but does not stop in case of an error and therefore does not have the error and finally parameters to pass in custom handler functions.

## Usage

```
tryLog(
  expr,
  write.error.dump.file = getOption("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.file", FALSE),
  write.error.dump.folder = getOption("tryCatchLog.write.error.dump.folder", "."),
  silent.warnings = getOption("tryCatchLog.silent.warnings", FALSE),
  silent.messages = getOption("tryCatchLog.silent.messages", FALSE),
  include.full.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack", TRUE),
  include.compact.call.stack = getOption("tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack",
    TRUE),
  logged.conditions = getOption("tryCatchLog.logged.conditions", NULL),
  execution.context.msg = ""
)
```

## Arguments

`expr` R expression to be evaluated

`write.error.dump.file`

TRUE: Saves a dump of the workspace and the call stack named `dump_<YYYYMMDD>_at_<HHMMSS.sss>_PIID.rda`. This dump file name pattern shall ensure unique file names in parallel processing scenarios.

`write.error.dump.folder`

path: Saves the dump of the workspace in a specific folder instead of the working directory

`silent.warnings`

TRUE: Warnings are logged only, but not propagated to the caller.

FALSE: Warnings are logged and treated according to the global setting in `getOption("warn")`.

See also [warning](#).

`silent.messages`

TRUE: Messages are logged, but not propagated to the caller.

FALSE: Messages are logged and propagated to the caller.

`include.full.call.stack`

Flag of type [logical](#): Shall the full call stack be included in the log output?

Since the full call stack may be very long and the compact call stack has enough details normally the full call stack can be omitted by passing FALSE. The default

value can be changed globally by setting the option `tryCatchLog.include.full.call.stack`.

The full call stack can always be found via [last.tryCatchLog.result](#).

`include.compact.call.stack`

Flag of type [logical](#): Shall the compact call stack (including only calls with source code references) be included in the log output? Note: If you omit

both the full and compact call stacks the message text will be output without call stacks. The default value can be changed globally by setting the option

`tryCatchLog.include.compact.call.stack`. The compact call stack can always be found via [last.tryCatchLog.result](#).

`logged.conditions`

NULL: Conditions are not logged.

vector of strings: Only conditions whose class name is contained in this vector are logged.

NA: All conditions are logged.

`execution.context.msg`

a text identifier (eg. the PID or a variable value) that will be added to `msg.text` for caught conditions. This makes it easier to identify the runtime state that caused a condition esp. in parallel execution scenarios. The value must be of length 1 and will be coerced to character. Expressions are not allowed. The added output has the form: `{execution.context.msg: your_value}`

**Details**

`tryLog` is implemented using [tryCatchLog](#). If you need need more flexibility for catching and handling errors use the latter. Error messages are never printed to the `stderr` connection but logged only.

**Value**

The value of the expression (if `expr` is evaluated without an error).

In case of an error: An invisible object of the class `"try-error"` containing the error message and error condition as the `"condition"` attribute.

**See Also**

[tryCatchLog](#), [last.tryCatchLog.result](#)

**Examples**

```
tryLog(log(-1)) # logs a warning (logarithm of a negative number is not possible)
tryLog(log("a")) # logs an error
tryCatchLog(log(-1), execution.context.msg = Sys.getpid())
```

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