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### Description

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- <https://insightsengineering.github.io/dunlin/>
- <https://github.com/insightsengineering/dunlin/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/insightsengineering/dunlin/issues>

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add_whisker	<i>Add whisker values</i>
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### Description

Add whisker values

### Usage

```
add_whisker(x)
```

### Arguments

x                      Named (character) input.

**Details**

The names of the character gives the string to be replaced and the value gives the new string.

**Value**

invisible NULL. Assign the key-value pair provided as argument in the whisker environment.

**Examples**

```
my_whiskers <- c(Placeholder = "Replacement", Placeholder2 = "Replacement2")
add_whisker(my_whiskers)
```

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as.list.rule

*Convert Rule to List*

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**Description**

Convert Rule to List

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'rule'
as.list(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x (rule) to convert.  
... not used.

**Value**

an object of class list.

**Examples**

```
x <- rule("a" = c("a", "b"), "X" = "x", .to_NA = c("v", "w"))
as.list(x)
```

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assert\_all\_tablenames *Assert that all names are among names of a list of data.frame.*

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**Description**

Assert that all names are among names of a list of data.frame.

**Usage**

```
assert_all_tablenames(db, tab, null_ok = TRUE, qualifier = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

db (list of data.frame) input to check for the presence of tables.  
tab (character) the names of the tables to be checked.  
null\_ok (flag) can x be NULL.  
qualifier (string) to be returned if the check fails.

**Value**

invisible TRUE or an error message if the criteria are not fulfilled.

**Examples**

```
lsd <- list(  
  mtcars = mtcars,  
  iris = iris  
)  
assert_all_tablenames(lsd, c("mtcars", "iris"), qualifier = "first test:")
```

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assert\_valid\_format *Assert Nested List can be used as Format Argument in Reformat.*

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**Description**

Assert Nested List can be used as Format Argument in Reformat.

**Usage**

```
assert_valid_format(object)
```

**Arguments**

object (list) to assert.

**Value**

invisible TRUE or an error message if the criteria are not fulfilled.

**Examples**

```
format <- list(
  df1 = list(
    var1 = rule("X" = "x", "N" = c(NA, ""))
  ),
  df2 = list(
    var1 = rule(),
    var2 = rule("f11" = "F11", "NN" = NA)
  ),
  df3 = list()
)

assert_valid_format(format)
```

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assert\_valid\_list\_format

*Assert List can be Converted into a Nested List Compatible with the Format Argument of Reformat.*

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**Description**

Assert List can be Converted into a Nested List Compatible with the Format Argument of Reformat.

**Usage**

```
assert_valid_list_format(object)
```

**Arguments**

object (list) to assert.

**Value**

invisible TRUE or an error message if the criteria are not fulfilled.

**Examples**

```
format <- list(
  df1 = list(
    var1 = list("X" = "x", "N" = c(NA, ""))
  ),
  df2 = list(
    var1 = list(),
    var2 = list("f11" = "F11", "NN" = NA)
  ),
)
```

```
df3 = list()
)

assert_valid_list_format(format)
```

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**attr\_label***Setting the Label Attribute*

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**Description**

Setting the Label Attribute

**Usage**

```
attr_label(var, label)
```

**Arguments**

var (object) whose label attribute can be set.  
label (character) the label to add.

**Value**

object with label attribute.

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1:10)
attr(x, "label")

y <- attr_label(x, "my_label")
attr(y, "label")
```

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**attr\_label\_df***Setting the Label Attribute to Data Frame Columns*

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**Description**

Setting the Label Attribute to Data Frame Columns

**Usage**

```
attr_label_df(df, label)
```

**Arguments**

df (data.frame).  
label (character) the labels to add.

**Value**

data.frame with label attributes.

**Examples**

```
res <- attr_label_df(mtcars, letters[1:11])
res
lapply(res, attr, "label")
```

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combine\_list\_rules *Combine Rules Found in Lists of Rules.*

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**Description**

Combine Rules Found in Lists of Rules.

**Usage**

```
combine_list_rules(x, val, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x (list) of rule objects.  
val (list) of rule objects.  
... passed to [combine\\_rules](#).

**Value**

a list of rule objects.

**Examples**

```
l1 <- list(
  r1 = rule(
    "first" = c("overwritten", "OVERWRITTEN"),
    "almost first" = c(NA, "almost")
  ),
  r2 = rule(
    ANYTHING = "anything"
  )
)
l2 <- list(
```



```
r1 = rule(
  "first" = c("F", "f"),
  "second" = c("S", "s"),
  "third" = c("T", "t"),
  .to_NA = "something"
),
r3 = rule(
  SOMETHING = "something"
)
)

combine_list_rules(l1, l2)
```

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combine\_rules

*Combine Two Rules*

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## Description

Combine Two Rules

## Usage

```
combine_rules(x, y, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	(rule) to modify.
y	(rule) rule whose mapping will take precedence over the ones described in x.
...	not used.

## Value

a rule.

## Note

The order of the mappings in the resulting rule corresponds to the order of the mappings in x followed by the mappings that are only present in y.

## Examples

```
r1 <- rule(
  "first" = c("from ori rule", "FROM ORI RULE"),
  "last" = c(NA, "last"),
  .to_NA = "X",
  .drop = TRUE
)
r2 <- rule(
  "first" = c("F", "f"),
```

```

    "second" = c("S", "s"),
    "third" = c("T", "t"),
    .to_NA = "something"
  )
  combine_rules(r1, r2)

```

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 co\_relevels

*Reorder Two Columns Levels Simultaneously*


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## Description

Reorder Two Columns Levels Simultaneously

## Usage

```
co_relevels(df, primary, secondary, levels_primary)
```

## Arguments

df	(data.frame) with two column whose factors should be reordered.
primary	(string) the name of the column on which the levels reordering should be based.
secondary	(string) the name of the column whose levels should be reordered following the levels of the primary column.
levels_primary	(character) the levels in the desired order. Existing levels that are not included will be placed afterward in their current order.

## Details

The function expect a 1:1 matching between the elements of the two selected column.

## Value

a data.frame with the secondary column converted to factor with reordered levels.

## Examples

```

df <- data.frame(
  SUBJID = 1:3,
  PARAMCD = factor(c("A", "B", "C")),
  PARAM = factor(paste("letter", LETTERS[1:3]))
)
co_relevels(df, "PARAMCD", "PARAM", levels_primary = c("C", "A", "B"))

```

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cut_by_group	<i>Cutting data by group</i>
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## Description

Cutting data by group

## Usage

```
cut_by_group(df, col_data, col_group, group, cat_col)
```

## Arguments

df	(dataframe) with a column of data to be cut and a column specifying the group of each observation.
col_data	(character) the column containing the data to be cut.
col_group	(character) the column containing the names of the groups according to which the data should be split.
group	(nested list) providing for each parameter value that should be analyzed in a categorical way: the name of the parameter (character), a series of breakpoints (numeric) where the first breakpoints is typically $-\text{Inf}$ and the last $\text{Inf}$ , and a series of name which will describe each category (character).
cat_col	(character) the name of the new column in which the cut label should be stored.

## Details

Function used to categorize numeric data stored in long format depending on their group. Intervals are closed on the right (and open on the left).

## Value

data.frame with a column containing categorical values.

## Examples

```
group <- list(
  list(
    "Height",
    c(-Inf, 150, 170, Inf),
    c("<=150", "150-170", ">170")
  ),
  list(
    "Weight",
    c(-Inf, 65, Inf),
    c("<=65", ">65")
  ),
)
```

```

list(
  "Age",
  c(-Inf, 31, Inf),
  c("<=31", ">31")
),
list(
  "PreCondition",
  c(-Inf, 1, Inf),
  c("<=1", "<1")
)
)
)
data <- data.frame(
  SUBJECT = rep(letters[1:10], 4),
  PARAM = rep(c("Height", "Weight", "Age", "other"), each = 10),
  AVAL = c(rnorm(10, 165, 15), rnorm(10, 65, 5), runif(10, 18, 65), rnorm(10, 0, 1)),
  index = 1:40
)

cut_by_group(data, "AVAL", "PARAM", group, "my_new_categories")

```

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get\_arg

*Getting Argument From System, Option or Default*


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## Description

Getting Argument From System, Option or Default

## Usage

```
get_arg(opt = NULL, sys = NULL, default = NULL, split = ";")
```

## Arguments

opt	(string) the name of an option.
sys	(string) the name of an environment variable.
default	value to return if neither the environment variable nor the option are set.
split	(string) the pattern used to split the values obtained using environment variable.

## Value

if defined, the value of the option (opt), a character from the environment variable (sys) or the default in this order of priority.

## Examples

```

get_arg("my.option", "MY_ARG", "default")
withr::with_envvar(c(MY_ARG = "x;y"), get_arg("my.option", "MY_ARG", "default"))
withr::with_options(c(my.option = "y"), get_arg("my.option", "MY_ARG", "default"))

```

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`get_log`*Get Log*

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**Description**

Get Log

**Usage**

```
get_log(data, incl, incl.adsl)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
get_log(data, incl = TRUE, incl.adsl = TRUE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
get_log(data, incl = TRUE, incl.adsl = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`data` (list of `data.frame` or `data.frame`) filtered with `log_filter`.  
`incl` (flag) should information about unfiltered `data.frame` be printed.  
`incl.adsl` (flag) should indication of filtering performed through `adsl` be printed.

**Value**

character or list of character describing the filtering applied to data.

**Examples**

```
data <- log_filter(iris, Sepal.Length >= 7, "xx")
data <- log_filter(data, Sepal.Length < 2)
data <- log_filter(data, Sepal.Length >= 2, "yy")
get_log(data)

data <- log_filter(
  list(iris1 = iris, iris2 = iris),
  Sepal.Length >= 7,
  "iris1",
  character(0),
  "Sep"
)
get_log(data)
```

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join_adsub_adsl	<i>Join adsub to adsl</i>
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### Description

Join adsub to adsl

### Usage

```
join_adsub_adsl(
  adam_db,
  keys,
  continuous_var,
  categorical_var,
  continuous_suffix,
  categorical_suffix,
  drop_na = TRUE,
  drop_lvl = TRUE
)

## S3 method for class 'list'
join_adsub_adsl(
  adam_db,
  keys = c("USUBJID", "STUDYID"),
  continuous_var = "all",
  categorical_var = "all",
  continuous_suffix = "",
  categorical_suffix = "_CAT",
  drop_na = TRUE,
  drop_lvl = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

adam_db	(list of data.frame) object input with an adsl and adsub table.
keys	(character) the name of the columns in adsl uniquely identifying a row.
continuous_var	(character) the value of a parameter in the PARAMCD column of the adsub table from which columns containing continuous values should be created. If "all", all parameter values are selected, if NULL, none are selected.
categorical_var	(character) the value of a parameter in the PARAMCD column of the adsub table from which columns containing categorical values should be created. If "all", all parameter values are selected, if NULL, none are selected.
continuous_suffix	(string) the suffixes to add to the newly generated columns containing continuous values.

`categorical_suffix` (string) the suffixes to add to the newly generated columns containing categorical values.

`drop_na` (logical) whether resulting columns containing only NAs should be dropped.

`drop_lvl` (logical) should missing levels be dropped in the resulting columns.

**Value**

a list of `data.frame` with new columns in the `adsl` table.

**Examples**

```
adsl <- data.frame(
  USUBJID = c("S1", "S2", "S3", "S4"),
  STUDYID = "My_study",
  AGE = c(60, 44, 23, 31)
)

adsub <- data.frame(
  USUBJID = c("S1", "S2", "S3", "S4", "S1", "S2", "S3"),
  STUDYID = "My_study",
  PARAM = c("weight", "weight", "weight", "weight", "height", "height", "height"),
  PARAMCD = c("w", "w", "w", "w", "h", "h", "h"),
  AVAL = c(98, 75, 70, 71, 182, 155, 152),
  AVALC = c(">80", "<=80", "<=80", "<=80", ">180", "<=180", "<=180")
)

db <- list(adsl = adsl, adsub = adsub)

x <- join_adsub_adsl(adam_db = db)
x <- join_adsub_adsl(adam_db = db, continuous_var = c("w", "h"), categorical_var = "h")
```

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list2rules

*Convert nested list into list of rule*

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**Description**

Convert nested list into list of rule

**Usage**

```
list2rules(obj)
```

**Arguments**

`obj` (nested list) to convert into list of rules.

**Value**

a list of rule objects.

**Examples**

```
obj <- list(
  rule1 = list("X" = c("a", "b"), "Z" = "c", .to_NA = "xxxx"),
  rule2 = list(Missing = c(NA, "")),
  rule3 = list(Missing = c(NA, ""), .drop = TRUE),
  rule4 = list(Absent = c(NA, ""), .drop = TRUE, .to_NA = "yyyy")
)
list2rules(obj)
```

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log\_filter

*Filter Data with Log*


---

**Description**

Filter Data with Log

**Usage**

```
log_filter(data, condition, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
log_filter(data, condition, suffix = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'list'
log_filter(
  data,
  condition,
  table,
  by = c("USUBJID", "STUDYID"),
  suffix = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

data	(data.frame) input data to subset, or named (list of data.frame).
condition	(call) of subset condition. Must evaluate as logical.
...	further arguments to be passed to or from other methods.
suffix	(string) optional argument describing the filter.
table	(string) table name.
by	(character) variable names shared by adsl and other datasets for filtering.
verbose	(flag) whether to print a report about the filtering.



**Details**

log\_filter will filter the data/named list of data according to the condition. All the variables in condition must exist in the data (as variables) or in the parent frame(e.g., in global environment). For named list of data, if ADSL is available, log\_filter will also try to subset all other datasets with USUBJID.

**Value**

a data.frame or list of data.frame filtered for the provided conditions.

**Examples**

```
data <- iris
attr(data$Sepal.Length, "label") <- "cm"
log_filter(data, Sepal.Length >= 7)

log_filter(list(iris = iris), Sepal.Length >= 7, "iris", character(0))
```

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ls_explicit_na	<i>Encode Categorical Missing Values in a list of data.frame</i>
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**Description**

Encode Categorical Missing Values in a list of data.frame

**Usage**

```
ls_explicit_na(
  data,
  omit_tables = NULL,
  omit_columns = NULL,
  char_as_factor = TRUE,
  na_level = "<Missing>"
)
```

**Arguments**

data (list of data.frame) to be transformed.

omit\_tables (character) the names of the tables to omit from processing.

omit\_columns (character) the names of the columns to omit from processing.

char\_as\_factor (logical) should character columns be converted into factor.

na\_level (string) the label to encode missing levels.

**Details**

This is a helper function to encode missing values (i.e NA and empty string) of every character and factor variable found in a list of data.frame. The label attribute of the columns is preserved.

**Value**

list of data.frame object with explicit missing levels.

**Examples**

```
df1 <- data.frame(
  "char" = c("a", "b", NA, "a", "k", "x"),
  "char2" = c("A", "B", NA, "A", "K", "X"),
  "fact" = factor(c("f1", "f2", NA, NA, "f1", "f1")),
  "logi" = c(NA, FALSE, TRUE, NA, FALSE, NA)
)
df2 <- data.frame(
  "char" = c("a", "b", NA, "a", "k", "x"),
  "fact" = factor(c("f1", "f2", NA, NA, "f1", "f1")),
  "num" = c(1:5, NA)
)
df3 <- data.frame(
  "char" = c(NA, NA, "A")
)

db <- list(df1 = df1, df2 = df2, df3 = df3)

ls_explicit_na(db)
ls_explicit_na(db, omit_tables = "df3", omit_columns = "char2")
```

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 ls\_unite

*Unite Columns of a Table in a list of data.frame.*


---

**Description**

Unite Columns of a Table in a list of data.frame.

**Usage**

```
ls_unite(adam_db, tab, cols, sep = ".", new = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

adam_db	(list of data.frames) to be transformed.
tab	(string) the name of a table in the adam_db object.
cols	(character) the name of the columns to unite.
sep	(string) the separator for the new column name.
new	(string) the name of the new column. If NULL the concatenation of cols separated by sep is used.

**Value**

list of data.frames object with a united column.

**Examples**

```
db <- list(mtcars = mtcars, iris = iris)

x <- ls_unite(db, "mtcars", c("mpg", "hp"), new = "FUSION")
x$mtcars
```

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multi\_id\_pivot\_wider *Transforming data.frame with Multiple Identifying columns into Wide Format*

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**Description**

Transforming data.frame with Multiple Identifying columns into Wide Format

**Usage**

```
multi_id_pivot_wider(
  data,
  id,
  param_from,
  value_from,
  drop_na = FALSE,
  drop_lvl = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

data	(data.frame) to be pivoted.
id	(character) the name of the columns whose combination uniquely identify the observations.
param_from	(character) the name of the column containing the names of the parameters to be pivoted. The unique values in this column will become column names in the output.
value_from	(character) the name of the column containing the values that will populate the output.
drop_na	(logical) should column containing only NAs be dropped.
drop_lvl	(logical) should missing levels be dropped in the columns coming from (value_from).

**Details**

This function allows to identify observations on the basis of several columns. Warning: Instead of nesting duplicated values, the function will throw an error if the same parameter is provided twice for the same observation.

**Value**

data.frame in a wide format.

**Examples**

```
test_data <- data.frame(
  the_obs = c("A", "A", "A", "B", "B", "B", "C", "D"),
  the_obs2 = c("Ax", "Ax", "Ax", "Bx", "Bx", "Bx", "Cx", "Dx"),
  the_param = c("weight", "height", "gender", "weight", "gender", "height", "height", "other"),
  the_val = c(65, 165, "M", 66, "F", 166, 155, TRUE)
)

multi_id_pivot_wider(test_data, c("the_obs", "the_obs2"), "the_param", "the_val")
multi_id_pivot_wider(test_data, "the_obs2", "the_param", "the_val")
```

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poly_pivot_wider	<i>Transforming data.frame with multiple Data Column into Wide Format</i>
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**Description**

Transforming data.frame with multiple Data Column into Wide Format

**Usage**

```
poly_pivot_wider(
  data,
  id,
  param_from,
  value_from,
  labels_from = NULL,
  drop_na = TRUE,
  drop_lvl = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

data	(data.frame) to be pivoted.
id	(character) the name of the columns whose combination uniquely identify the observations.
param_from	(character) the name of the columns containing the names of the parameters to be pivoted. The unique values in this column will become column names in the output.
value_from	(character) the name of the column containing the values that will populate the output.

labels_from	(character) the name of the column congaing the labels of the new columns. from. If not provided, the labels will be equal to the column names. When several labels are available for the same column, the first one will be selected.
drop_na	(logical) should column containing only NAs be dropped.
drop_lvl	(logical) should missing levels be dropped in the columns coming from value_from.

### Details

This function is adapted to cases where the data are distributed in several columns while the name of the parameter is in one. Typical example is adsub where numeric data are stored in AVAL while categorical data are in AVALC.

### Value

list of data.frame in a wide format with label attribute attached to each columns.

### Examples

```
test_data <- data.frame(
  the_obs = c("A", "A", "A", "B", "B", "B", "C", "D"),
  the_obs2 = c("Ax", "Ax", "Ax", "Bx", "Bx", "Bx", "Cx", "Dx"),
  the_param = c("weight", "height", "gender", "weight", "gender", "height", "height", "other"),
  the_label = c(
    "Weight (Kg)", "Height (cm)", "Gender", "Weight (Kg)",
    "Gender", "Height (cm)", "Height (cm)", "Pre-condition"
  ),
  the_val = c(65, 165, NA, 66, NA, 166, 155, NA),
  the_val2 = c(65, 165, "M", 66, "F", 166, 155, TRUE)
)

x <- poly_pivot_wider(
  test_data,
  c("the_obs", "the_obs2"),
  "the_param",
  c("the_val", "the_val2"),
  "the_label"
)
x
Reduce(function(u, v) merge(u, v, all = TRUE), x)
```

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print\_log

*Print Log*

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### Description

Print Log

**Usage**

```
print_log(data, incl, incl.adsl)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
print_log(data, incl = TRUE, incl.adsl = TRUE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
print_log(data, incl = TRUE, incl.adsl = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`data` (list of data.frame or data.frame) filtered with `log_filter`.  
`incl` (flag) should information about unfiltered data.frame be printed.  
`incl.adsl` (flag) should indication of filtering performed through `adsl` be printed.

**Value**

NULL. Print a description of the filtering applied to data.

**Examples**

```
data <- log_filter(iris, Sepal.Length >= 7, "Sep")
print_log(data)
data <- log_filter(
  list(
    adsl = iris,
    iris2 = iris,
    mtcars = mtcars,
    iris3 = iris
  ),
  Sepal.Length >= 7,
  "adsl",
  character(0),
  "adsl filter"
)
data <- log_filter(data, Sepal.Length >= 7, "iris2", character(0), "iris2 filter")
print_log(data)
print_log(data, incl = FALSE)
print_log(data, incl.adsl = FALSE, incl = FALSE)
```

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propagate

*Propagate Column*


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**Description**

`propagatecopy` columns from a given table of a list of data.frame to all tables based on other common columns. If several rows are associated with the same key, the rows will be duplicated in the receiving tables. In safe mode, the key must be unique in the original table.

**Usage**

```
propagate(db, from, add, by, safe = TRUE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
propagate(db, from, add, by, safe = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

**db** (list of data.frame) object for which some variable need to be propagated.

**from** (string) the name of the table where the variables to propagate are stored.

**add** (character) the names of the variables to propagate.

**by** (character) the key binding the from table to the other tables.

**safe** (flag) should the key be checked for uniqueness in the from table.

**Value**

updated list of data.frame.

**Examples**

```
df1 <- data.frame(
  id1 = c("a", "a", "c", "d", "e", "f"),
  id2 = c("A", "B", "A", "A", "A", "A"),
  int = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6),
  bool = c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE)
)

df2 <- data.frame(
  id1 = c("a", "a", "d", "e", "f", "g"),
  id2 = c("A", "B", "A", "A", "A", "A")
)

df3 <- data.frame(
  id1 = c("a", "c", "d", "e", "f", "x"),
  id2 = c("A", "A", "A", "A", "B", "A"),
  int = c(11, 22, 33, 44, 55, 66)
)

db <- list(df1 = df1, fd2 = df2, df3 = df3)
propagate(db, from = "df1", add = c("int", "bool"), by = c("id1", "id2"))
```

reformat

*Reformat Values***Description**

Reformat Values

**Usage**

```

reformat(obj, ...)

## Default S3 method:
reformat(obj, format, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
reformat(obj, format, ..., verbose = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'factor'
reformat(obj, format, ..., verbose = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
reformat(
  obj,
  format,
  ...,
  verbose = get_arg("dunlin.reformat.verbose", "R_DUNLIN_REFORMAT_VERBOSE", FALSE)
)

```

**Arguments**

obj	(character, factor or list of data.frame) to reformat.
...	for compatibility between methods and pass additional special mapping to transform rules. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>.string_as_fct</code> (flag) whether the reformatted character object should be converted to factor.</li> <li>• <code>.to_NA</code> (character) values that should be converted to NA. For factor, the corresponding levels are dropped. If NULL, the argument will be taken from the <code>to_NAattribute</code> of the rule.</li> <li>• <code>.drop</code> (flag) whether to drop empty levels. If NULL, the argument will be taken from the <code>dropattribute</code> of the rule.</li> <li>• <code>.na_last</code> (flag) whether the level replacing NA should be last.</li> </ul>
format	(rule) or (list) of rule depending on the class of obj.
verbose	(flag) whether to print the format.



**Value**

(character, factor or list of data.frame) with remapped values.

**Note**

When the rule is empty rule or when values subject to reformatting are absent from the object, no error is raised. The conversion to factor if `.string_as_fct = TRUE`) is still carried out. The conversion of the levels declared in `.to_NA` to NA values occurs after the remapping. NA values created this way are not affected by a rule declaring a remapping of NA values. For factors, level dropping is the last step, hence, levels converted to NA by the `.to_NA` argument, will be removed if `.drop` is TRUE. Arguments passed via `reformat` override the ones defined during rule creation.

the variables listed under the `all_dataset` keyword will be reformatted with the corresponding rule in every data set except where another rule is specified for the same variable under a specific data set name.

**Examples**

```
# Reformatting of character.
obj <- c("a", "b", "x", NA, "")
attr(obj, "label") <- "my label"
format <- rule("A" = "a", "NN" = NA)

reformat(obj, format)
reformat(obj, format, .string_as_fct = FALSE, .to_NA = NULL)

# Reformatting of factor.
obj <- factor(c("first", "a", "aa", "b", "x", NA), levels = c("first", "x", "b", "aa", "a", "z"))
attr(obj, "label") <- "my label"
format <- rule("A" = c("a", "aa"), "NN" = c(NA, "x"), "Not_present" = "z", "Not_a_level" = "P")

reformat(obj, format)
reformat(obj, format, .na_last = FALSE, .to_NA = "b", .drop = FALSE)

# Reformatting of list of data.frame.
df1 <- data.frame(
  var1 = c("a", "b", NA),
  var2 = factor(c("F1", "F2", NA))
)

df2 <- data.frame(
  var1 = c("x", NA, "y"),
  var2 = factor(c("F11", NA, "F22"))
)

db <- list(df1 = df1, df2 = df2)

format <- list(
  df1 = list(
    var1 = rule("X" = "x", "N" = NA, .to_NA = "b")
  ),
  df2 = list(
```

```

    var2 = rule("f11" = "F11", "NN" = NA)
  ),
  all_datasets = list(
    var1 = rule("xx" = "x", "aa" = "a")
  )
)

reformat(db, format)

```

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remove_whisker	<i>Remove whisker values</i>
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**Description**

Remove whisker values

**Usage**

```
remove_whisker(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                   Named (character) input.

**Value**

invisible NULL. Removes x from the whisker environment.

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render_safe	<i>Render whiskers safely</i>
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**Description**

Render whiskers safely

**Usage**

```
render_safe(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                   (character) input to be rendered safely.

**Value**

character with substituted placeholders.

**Note**

The strings enclosed in {} are substituted using the key-values pairs set with `add_whiskers`.

**Examples**

```
render_safe("Name of {Patient_label}")
```

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rule	<i>Create rule based on mappings</i>
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**Description**

Create rule based on mappings

**Usage**

```
rule(
  ...,
  .lst = list(...),
  .string_as_fct = TRUE,
  .na_last = TRUE,
  .drop = FALSE,
  .to_NA = ""
)
```

**Arguments**

...	Mapping pairs, the argument name is the transformed while its values are original values.
.lst	(list) of mapping.
.string_as_fct	(flag) whether to convert characters to factors.
.na_last	(flag) whether the level replacing NA should be last.
.drop	(flag) whether to drop empty levels.
.to_NA	(character) values that should be converted to NA. Set to NULL if nothing should be converted to NA.

**Value**

a rule object.

**Note**

Conversion to NA is the last step of the remapping process.

**Examples**

```
rule("X" = "x", "Y" = c("y", "z"))  
rule("X" = "x", "Y" = c("y", "z"), .drop = TRUE, .to_NA = c("a", "b"), .na_last = FALSE)
```

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`show_whisker`*Show Whisker Values*

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**Description**

Show Whisker Values

**Usage**

```
show_whisker()
```

**Value**

invisible NULL. Prints the values stored in the whisker environment.

**Examples**

```
show_whisker()
```

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