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Relational operators for value-to-interval comparisons: %[]% and alike.

Relational operators for interval-to-interval comparisons: %[]o[]% and alike.

Negated value matching: %ni%.

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Description

Functions for evaluating if values of vectors are within intervals.

Usage

```
x %[]% interval
x %)(% interval
x %<[]% interval
x %>[]% interval
```

```
x %[]% interval
x %)[% interval
x %<(>% interval
x %>(>% interval
```

```
x %[]% interval
x %)(% interval
x %<[]% interval
x %>[]% interval
```

```
x %())% interval
x %)[% interval
x %<(>% interval
x %>(>% interval
```

```
intrval_types(type = NULL, plot = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	vector or NULL: the values to be compared to interval endpoints.
<code>interval</code>	vector, 2-column matrix, list, or NULL: the interval end points.
<code>type</code>	character, type of operator for subsetting the results. The default NULL means that all types will be displayed.
<code>plot</code>	logical, whether to plot the results, or print a table to the console instead.

Details

Values of `x` are compared to interval endpoints `a` and `b` ($a \leq b$). Endpoints can be defined as a vector with two values (`c(a, b)`): these values will be compared as a single interval with each value in `x`. If endpoints are stored in a matrix-like object or a list, comparisons are made element-wise. If lengths do not match, shorter objects are recycled. These value-to-interval operators work for numeric (integer, real) and ordered vectors, and object types which are measured at least on ordinal

scale (e.g. dates), see Examples. Note: interval endpoints are sorted internally thus ensuring the condition $a \leq b$ is not necessary.

The type argument or the specification of the special function determines the open ((and)) or closed ([and]) endpoints and relations.

There are four types of intervals ([,], (,)), their negation (,)[,],], respectively), less than ([<], [<], (<], (<)), and greater than ([>], [>], (>], (>)) relations.

Note that some operators return identical results but are syntactically different: `%[<]%` and `%(<)%` both evaluate $x < a$; `%[>]%` and `%(>)%` both evaluate $x > b$; `%(<=]%` and `%(<)%` evaluate $x \leq a$; `%[>=]%` and `%(>)%` both evaluate $x \geq b$. This is so because we evaluate only one end of the interval but still conceptually referring to the relationship defined by the right-hand-side interval object and given that $a \leq b$. This implies 2 conditional logical evaluations instead of treating it as a single 3-level ordered factor.

Value

A logical vector, indicating if x is in the specified interval. Values are TRUE, FALSE, or NA (when any of the 3 values (x or endpoints in interval) are NA).

The helper function `interval_types` can be used to understand and visualize the operators' effects. It returns a matrix explaining the properties of the operators.

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See Also

See help page for relational operators: [Comparison](#).

See `%[o]%` for relational operators for interval-to-interval comparisons.

See [factor](#) for the behavior with factor arguments. See also `%in%` for value matching and `%ni%` for negated value matching for factors.

See [Syntax](#) for operator precedence.

Examples

```
## motivating example from example(lm)

## Annette Dobson (1990) "An Introduction to Generalized Linear Models".
## Page 9: Plant Weight Data.
ctl <- c(4.17,5.58,5.18,6.11,4.50,4.61,5.17,4.53,5.33,5.14)
trt <- c(4.81,4.17,4.41,3.59,5.87,3.83,6.03,4.89,4.32,4.69)
group <- gl(2, 10, 20, labels = c("Ctl","Trt"))
weight <- c(ctl, trt)
lm.D9 <- lm(weight ~ group)
## compare 95% confidence intervals with 0
(CI.D9 <- confint(lm.D9))
0 %[]% CI.D9

## comparing dates
```

```

DATE <- as.Date(c("2000-01-01", "2000-02-01", "2000-03-31"))
DATE %<[% as.Date(c("2000-01-151", "2000-03-15"))
DATE %[% as.Date(c("2000-01-151", "2000-03-15"))
DATE %>[% as.Date(c("2000-01-151", "2000-03-15"))

## interval formats

x <- rep(4, 5)
a <- 1:5
b <- 3:7
cbind(x=x, a=a, b=b)
x %[% cbind(a, b) # matrix
x %[% data.frame(a=a, b=b) # data.frame
x %[% list(a, b) # list

## helper functions

intrval_types() # print
intrval_types(plot = TRUE) # plot

## graphical examples

## bounding box
set.seed(1)
n <- 10^4
x <- runif(n, -2, 2)
y <- runif(n, -2, 2)
iv1 <- x %[% c(-1, 1) & y %[% c(-1, 1)
plot(x, y, pch = 19, cex = 0.25, col = iv1 + 1, main = "Bounding box")

## time series filtering
x <- seq(0, 4*24*60*60, 60*60)
dt <- as.POSIXct(x, origin="2000-01-01 00:00:00")
f <- as.POSIXlt(dt)$hour %[% c(0, 11)
plot(sin(x) ~ dt, type="l", col="grey",
     main = "Filtering date/time objects")
points(sin(x) ~ dt, pch = 19, col = f + 1)

## watch precedence
(2 * 1:5) %[% (c(2, 3) * 2)
2 * 1:5 %[% (c(2, 3) * 2)
(2 * 1:5) %[% c(2, 3) * 2
2 * 1:5 %[% c(2, 3) * 2

```

Description

Functions for evaluating if two intervals overlap or not.

Usage

```
interval1 [%o] interval2
interval1 %)o(% interval2
interval1 % [<o] interval2
interval1 % [o>] interval2

interval1 %(o) interval2
interval1 %]o[ interval2
interval1 %(<o) interval2
interval1 %(o>) interval2

interval1 %[]o[] interval2
interval1 %[]o[] interval2
interval1 %[]o(] interval2
interval1 %[]o(%) interval2
interval1 %[]o[] interval2
interval1 %[]o[] interval2
interval1 %[]o(] interval2
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interval1 %()o(%) interval2
```

Arguments

interval1, interval2

vector, 2-column matrix, list, or NULL: the interval end points of two (sets) of closed intervals to compare.

Details

The operators define the open/closed nature of the lower/upper limits of the intervals on the left and right hand side of the o in the middle.

The overlap of two closed intervals, [a1, b1] and [a2, b2], is evaluated by the [%o] (alias for %[]o[]) operator (a1 <= b1, a2 <= b2). Endpoints can be defined as a vector with two values (c(a1, b1)) or can be stored in matrix-like objects or a lists in which case comparisons are made element-wise. If lengths do not match, shorter objects are recycled. These value-to-interval operators work for numeric (integer, real) and ordered vectors, and object types which are measured at least on ordinal scale (e.g. dates), see Examples. Note: interval endpoints are sorted internally thus ensuring the conditions a1 <= b1 and a2 <= b2 is not necessary. %)o(%) is used for the negation of two closed interval overlap, directional evaluation is done via the operators % [<o] and % [o>].

The overlap of two open intervals is evaluated by the %(o) (alias for %()o()). %]o[is used for the negation of two open interval overlap, directional evaluation is done via the operators %(<o)

and `%(o>)%`.

Overlap operators with mixed endpoint do not have negation and directional counterparts.

Value

A logical vector, indicating if `interval1` overlaps `interval2`. Values are TRUE, FALSE, or NA.

Author(s)

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See Also

See help page for relational operators: [Comparison](#).

See `%[]%` for relational operators for value-to-interval comparisons.

See [factor](#) for the behavior with factor arguments. See also `%in%` for value matching and `%ni%` for negated value matching for factors.

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group <- gl(2, 10, 20, labels = c("Ctl","Trt"))
weight <- c(ctl, trt)
lm.D90 <- lm(weight ~ group - 1) # omitting intercept
## compare 95% confidence of the 2 groups to each other
(CI.D90 <- confint(lm.D90))
CI.D90[1,] %[]% CI.D90[2,]

## simple interval comparisons
c(2:3) %[]% c(0:1)

## vectorized comparisons
c(2:3) %[]% list(0:4, 1:5)
c(2:3) %[]% cbind(0:4, 1:5)
c(2:3) %[]% data.frame(a=0:4, b=1:5)
list(0:4, 1:5) %[]% c(2:3)
cbind(0:4, 1:5) %[]% c(2:3)
data.frame(a=0:4, b=1:5) %[]% c(2:3)

list(0:4, 1:5) %[]% cbind(rep(2,5), rep(3,5))
cbind(rep(2,5), rep(3,5)) %[]% list(0:4, 1:5)

cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %o% cbind(1:5, 2:6)
cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %<o% cbind(1:5, 2:6)
cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %o>% cbind(1:5, 2:6)
```

```

## open intervals

list(0:4, 1:5) %o% cbind(rep(2,5), rep(3,5))
cbind(rep(2,5), rep(3,5)) %o% list(0:4, 1:5)

cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %o% cbind(1:5, 2:6)
cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %<o% cbind(1:5, 2:6)
cbind(rep(3,5),rep(4,5)) %>o% cbind(1:5, 2:6)

dt1 <- as.Date(c("2000-01-01", "2000-03-15"))
dt2 <- as.Date(c("2000-03-15", "2000-06-07"))

dt1 %[]o[]% dt2
dt1 %[]o[]% dt2
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dt1 %[]o[]% dt2
dt1 %[]o[]% dt2
dt1 %[]o[]% dt2

## watch precedence
(2 * c(1, 3)) %[]o[]% (c(2, 4) * 2)
(2 * c(1, 3)) %[]o[]% c(2, 4) * 2
2 * c(1, 3) %[]o[]% (c(2, 4) * 2)
2 * c(1, 3) %[]o[]% c(2, 4) * 2

```

%[c]%

Dividing a Range Into 3 Intervals

Description

Functions for evaluating if values of vectors are within intervals, or less than or higher than interval endpoints. The *c* within the brackets refer to `cut`, a similar function.

Usage

```

x %[c] interval
x %<[c] interval
x %>[c] interval
x %<>[c] interval

```


Arguments

`x` vector or NULL: the values to be compared to interval endpoints.
`interval` vector, 2-column matrix, list, or NULL: the interval end points.

Value

Values of `x` are compared to interval endpoints `a` and `b` ($a \leq b$) (see `%[]%` for details). The functions return an integer vector taking values `-1L` (value of `x` is less than or equal to `a`, depending on the interval type), `0L` (value of `x` is inside the interval), or `1L` (value of `x` is greater than or equal to `b`, depending on the interval type).

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See Also

Similar functions (but not quite): `sign`, `cut`, `.bincode`, `findInterval`.

See relational operators for intervals: `%[]%`.

See `Syntax` for operator precedence.

Examples

```
x <- 1:5
x %[c]% c(2,4)
x %[c]% c(2,4)
x %(c)% c(2,4)
x %(c)% c(2,4)
```

`%ni%`*Negated Value Matching*

Description

`%ni%` is the negation of `%in%`, which returns a logical vector indicating if there is a non-match or not for its left operand. `%nin%` and `%notin%` are aliases for better code readability (`%in%` can look very much like `%ni%`).

Usage

```
x %ni% table
x %nin% table
x %notin% table
```

Arguments

`x` vector or NULL: the values to be matched.
`table` vector or NULL: the values to be matched against.

Value

A logical vector, indicating if a non-match was located for each element of `x`: thus the values are TRUE or FALSE and never NA.

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See Also

All the opposite of what is written for `%in%`.

See relational operators for intervals: `%[]%`.

See [Syntax](#) for operator precedence.

Examples

```
1:10 %ni% c(1,3,5,9)
```

```
1:10 %nin% c(1,3,5,9)
```

```
1:10 %notin% c(1,3,5,9)
```

```
sstr <- c("c", "ab", "B", "bba", "c", NA, "@", "bla", "a", "Ba", "%")
sstr[sstr %ni% c(letters, LETTERS)]
```

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