

Package ‘QuickJSR’

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QuickJSR-package *The QuickJSR package.*

Description

An interface to the QuickJS lightweight Javascript engine

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See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/andrjohns/QuickJSR>
- <https://github.com/quickjs-ng/quickjs>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/andrjohns/QuickJSR/issues>

`from_json`*from_json*

Description

Use the QuickJS C API to convert a JSON string to an R object

Usage

```
from_json(json)
```

Arguments

`json` JSON string to convert to an R object

Value

R object

`JContext`*JContext object*

Description

An initialised context within which to evaluate Javascript scripts or commands.

Usage

```
JContext
```

Format

An object of class `list` of length 1.

Value

A `JContext` object containing an initialised JavaScript context for evaluating scripts/commands

JSContext-method-assign

Assign a value to a variable in the current context

Description

Assign a value to a variable in the current context

Usage

```
assign(var_name, value)
```

Arguments

var_name	The name of the variable to assign
value	The value to assign to the variable

Format

An object of class NULL of length 0.

Value

No return value, called for side effects

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ctx <- JSContext$new()  
ctx$assign("a", 1)  
ctx$get("a")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

JSContext-method-call *Call a JS function in the current context*

Description

Call a specified function in the JavaScript context with the provided arguments.

Usage

```
call(function_name, ...)
```

Arguments

function_name The function to be called
... The arguments to be passed to the function

Format

An object of class NULL of length 0.

Value

The result of calling the specified function

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ctx <- JSContext$new()  
ctx$source(code = "function add(a, b) { return a + b; }")  
ctx$call("add", 1, 2)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

JSContext-method-get *Get a variable from the current context*

Description

Get the value of a variable from the current context

Usage

```
get(var_name)
```

Arguments

var_name The name of the variable to retrieve

Format

An object of class NULL of length 0.

Value

The value of the variable

Examples

```
## Not run:
ctx <- JSContext$new()
ctx$source(code = "var a = 1;")
ctx$get("a")

## End(Not run)
```

JSContext-method-source

Evaluate JS string or file in the current context

Description

Evaluate a provided JavaScript file or string within the initialised context. Note that this method should only be used for initialising functions or values within the context, no values are returned from this function. See the `$call()` method for returning values.

Usage

```
source(file = NULL, code = NULL)
```

Arguments

file	A path to the JavaScript file to load
code	A single string of JavaScript to evaluate

Format

An object of class NULL of length 0.

Value

No return value, called for side effects

Examples

```
## Not run:
ctx <- JSContext$new()
ctx$source(file = "path/to/file.js")
ctx$source(code = "1 + 2")

## End(Not run)
```

`JSContext-method-validate`*Assess validity of JS code without evaluating*

Description

Checks whether JS code string is valid code in the current context

Usage

```
validate(code_string)
```

Arguments

`code_string` The JS code to check

Format

An object of class NULL of length 0.

Value

A boolean indicating whether code is valid

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ctx <- JSContext$new()  
ctx$validate("1 + 2")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

`qjs_eval`*qjs_eval*

Description

Evaluate a single Javascript expression.

Usage

```
qjs_eval(eval_string)
```

Arguments

`eval_string` A single string of the expression to evaluate

Value

The result of the provided expression

Examples

```
# Return the sum of two numbers:
qjs_eval("1 + 2")

# Concatenate strings:
qjs_eval("'1' + '2'")

# Create lists from objects:
qjs_eval("var t = {'a' : 1, 'b' : 2}; t")
```

quickjs_version	<i>Get the version of the bundled QuickJS library</i>
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Description

Get the version of the bundled QuickJS library

Usage

```
quickjs_version()
```

Value

Character string of the version of the bundled QuickJS library

to_json	<i>to_json</i>
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Description

Use the QuickJS C API to convert an R object to a JSON string

Usage

```
to_json(arg, auto_unbox = FALSE)
```

Arguments

arg	Argument to convert to JSON
auto_unbox	Automatically unbox single element vectors

Value

JSON string

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