

# Package ‘r2r’

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compare_fn	<i>Get key comparison function of an hash table</i>
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### Description

Returns the key comparison function of an hash table (hashset or hashmap).

### Usage

```
compare_fn(x)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashtable'
compare_fn(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    an hashset or hashmap.

### Value

a function.

### Author(s)

Valerio Gherardi

### Examples

```
s <- hashset()
compare_fn(s)
```

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default	<i>Default hashmap values</i>
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### Description

These generics are used to get or set the default value of an hashmap, optionally returned upon query of a missing key.

### Usage

```
default(x)

default(x) <- value

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
default(x)

## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
default(x) <- value
```

### Arguments

x	an hashmap.
value	an arbitrary R object. Default value to be associated to missing keys in the hashmap.

### Details

For more details, see the [hashtable](#) documentation page.

### Value

an arbitrary R object.

### Author(s)

Valerio Gherardi

### Examples

```
m <- hashmap()
default(m)
default(m) <- 840
```

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default_hash_fn	<i>String hashes for arbitrary R objects</i>
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**Description**

generates string hashes for arbitrary R objects as follows. This is the default hash function used by hashsets and hashmaps objects.

**Usage**

```
default_hash_fn(key)
```

**Arguments**

key                    an arbitrary R object.

**Details**

If key is an atomic vector (as tested by `is.atomic(key)`) of length one, `default_hash_fn(key)` simply coerces the input to character. For more complex inputs, the function calls `digest(key)` from the [digest](#) package.

**Value**

a character vector of length one. Hash digest of key.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

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delete	<i>Delete keys or key/value pairs from an hash table.</i>
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**Description**

These generics are used for deleting a single key or key/value pair from an hashset or hashmap, respectively.

**Usage**

```
delete(x, key)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
delete(x, key)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashset'
delete(x, key)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.  
key                  an arbitrary R object. Key to be deleted from the hash table.

**Value**

NULL, invisibly.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset(1, 2, 3)
delete(s, 3)
s[[3]]
```

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hashtable

*Hash maps and sets*

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**Description**

Objects of class `hashmap` and `hashset` store collections of key/value pairs (`hashmap`), or just keys (`hashset`), providing constant time read and write operations. Both the keys and the optional values can be arbitrary R objects. `hashmaps` and `hashsets` provide an R implementation of **hash tables**.

See [hashtable\\_methods](#) for an overview of the available methods for `hashmap` and `hashset` class objects. Note that both these classes have a common parent class `hashtable`, from which they can also inherit S3 methods.

**Usage**

```
hashmap(  
  ...,  
  hash_fn = default_hash_fn,  
  compare_fn = identical,  
  key_preproc_fn = identity,  
  on_missing_key = "default",  
  default = NULL  
)  
  
hashset(  
  ...,  
  hash_fn = default_hash_fn,  
  compare_fn = identical,  
  key_preproc_fn = identity  
)
```

**Arguments**

...	these arguments can be used to specify a set of initial elements to be inserted in the hashmap or hashset. For <code>hashmap()</code> , each of these should be a list of two elements (a key-value pair).
<code>hash_fn</code>	the (string valued) hash function applied to keys. Required for advanced use only; see Details.
<code>compare_fn</code>	the (boolean valued) comparison function used for testing key equality. Required for advanced use only; see Details.
<code>key_preproc_fn</code>	key pre-processing function applied to keys before hashing and comparison. Required for advanced use only; see Details.
<code>on_missing_key</code>	either "throw" or "default". In the second case, an exception is thrown upon query of a missing key; otherwise, a default value (specified through the <code>default</code> argument) is returned.
<code>default</code>	default value associated with missing keys. This will be returned only if <code>on_missing_key</code> is equal to "default".

**Details**

hashmaps and hashsets implement hash tables, building on top of base R built-in [environments](#), which by themselves are, essentially, string -> R object hash maps. In order to handle keys of non-string type, a string valued hash function `default_hash_fn()` is provided, which leverages on `digest()` for handling arbitrary R object keys.

By default, key equality is tested through `identical()`. For some use cases, it may be sensible to employ a different comparison function, which can be assigned through the `compare_fn` argument. In this case, one must also make sure that equal (in the sense of `compare_fn()`) keys get also assigned the same hashes by `hash_fn()`. A simple way to ensure this is to use to use a key pre-processing function, to be applied before both key hashing *and* comparison. The `key_preproc_fn` argument provides a short-cut to this, by automatically composing both the provided `hash_fn()` and `compare_fn()` functions with `key_preproc_fn()` function. This is illustrated in an example below.

One might also want to set set specific hash and/or key comparison functions for efficiency reasons, e.g. if the `default_hash_fn()` function produces many collisions between inequivalent keys.

When `on_missing_key` is equal to "throw", querying a missing key will cause an error. In this case, an rlang [abort](#) condition of class "r2r\_missing\_key" is returned, which can be useful for testing purposes.

**Value**

a hashmap and a hashset class object for `hashmap()` and `hashset()`, respectively.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**See Also**

[hashtable\\_methods](#)

## Examples

```
m <- hashmap(  
  list("foo", 1),  
  list("bar", 1:5),  
  list(data.frame(x = letters, y = LETTERS), "baz")  
)  
m[[ data.frame(x = letters, y = LETTERS) ]]  
  
# Set of character keys, case insensitive.  
s <- hashset("A", "B", "C", key_preproc = tolower)  
s[["a"]]
```

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hashtable\_methods      *Methods for S3 classes hashmap and hashset*

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## Description

This page provides an overview of the available methods for hashmap and hashset objects (and for their common parent class hashtable). We list methods based on the general type of task addressed.

### Basic read/write operations:

- [insert\(\)](#)
- [delete\(\)](#)
- [query\(\)](#)
- [subsetting\\_hashtables](#): ``[[``, ``[[<-``, ``[`` and ``[<-``

### Size of hash table:

- [length.r2r\\_hashtable\(\)](#)

### Other key or value access operations:

- [keys\(\)](#)
- [values\(\)](#)
- [has\\_key](#), `%has_key%`

### Get/set hashtable properties:

- [hash\\_fn\(\)](#)
- [compare\\_fn\(\)](#)
- [on\\_missing\\_key\(\)](#)
- [default\(\)](#)

## Author(s)

Valerio Gherardi

hash\_fn *Get hash function of an hash table*

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**Description**

Returns the hash function used for key hashing in an hash table (hashset or hashmap).

**Usage**

```
hash_fn(x)  
  
## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashtable'  
hash_fn(x)
```

**Arguments**

x an hashset or hashmap.

**Value**

a function.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset()  
hash_fn(s)
```

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has\_key *Key existence in hash tables*

---

**Description**

This generics are used to check whether a key exists in a given hashset or hashmap.



**Usage**

```
has_key(x, key)

x %has_key% key

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
has_key(x, key)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashset'
has_key(x, key)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.  
key                  an arbitrary R object. Key to be checked for existence in the hash table.

**Value**

TRUE or FALSE.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
m <- hashmap(list("a", 1), list("b", 2))
has_key(m, "a")
m %has_key% "b"
```

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insert	<i>Insert keys or key/value pairs into an hash table.</i>
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**Description**

These generics are used for inserting a single key or key/value pair into an hashset or hashmap, respectively. For vectorized insertions, see the [subsetting\\_hashtables](#) documentation page.

**Usage**

```
insert(x, key, ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'r2r\_hashmap'

```
insert(x, key, value, ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'r2r\_hashset'

```
insert(x, key, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.  
key                  an arbitrary R object. Key to be inserted into the hash table.  
...                  further arguments passed to or from other methods.  
value                an arbitrary R object. Value associated to key.

**Value**

key for the hashset method, value for the hashmap method.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset()  
insert(s, "foo")  
s[["foo"]]
```

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keys

*List all keys from an hash table*

---

**Description**

These generics are used for listing all keys registered in an hashset or hashmap, respectively.

**Usage**

```
keys(x)  
  
## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashtable'  
keys(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.

**Value**

a list. Registered keys in the hash table x.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset(1, 2, 3)
keys(s)
```

---

length.r2r\_hashtable    *Size of hash tables*

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**Description**

Returns the total number of keys in an hash table.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashtable'
length(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.

**Value**

an integer. Number of keys in the hash table (or elements in a set).

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset()
insert(s, "foo")
length(s)
```

---

on\_missing\_key            *On missing key behaviour*

---

**Description**

These generics are used to get or set the behaviour of an hashmap upon query of a missing key (currently, only an hashmap method is implemented).

**Usage**

```
on_missing_key(x)

on_missing_key(x) <- value

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
on_missing_key(x)

## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
on_missing_key(x) <- value
```

**Arguments**

x	an hashmap.
value	a string, either "throw" or "default". Action to be taken upon query of a missing key.

**Details**

For more details, see the [hashtable](#) documentation page.

**Value**

a string, either "throw" or "default".

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
m <- hashmap()
on_missing_key(m)
on_missing_key(m) <- "throw"
```

---

query

*Query keys from an hash table.*

---

**Description**

These generics are used for querying a single key from an hashset or hashmap, respectively. For vectorized queries, see the [subsetting\\_hashtables](#) documentation page.

**Usage**

```
query(x, key)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
query(x, key)

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashset'
query(x, key)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.  
key                  an arbitrary R object. Key to be queried from the hash table.

**Value**

TRUE or FALSE, for hashsets. For hashmaps, if the queried key exists in the hash table, returns the associated value (an a priori arbitrary R object); otherwise, behaves as specified by [on\\_missing\\_key\(x\)](#) (see also [hashtable](#)).

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
s <- hashset(1, 2, 3)
query(s, 3)
```

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subsetting\_hashtables *Subsetting hashsets and hashmaps*

---

**Description**

Subsetting operators ``[[`` and ``[`` for hashsets and hashmaps provide an equivalent synthax for the basic read/write operations performed by [insert\(\)](#), [delete\(\)](#) and [query\(\)](#).

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
x[[i]]

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
x[i]

## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
x[[i]] <- value
```

```
## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashmap'
x[i] <- value

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashset'
x[[i]]

## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashset'
x[i]

## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashset'
x[[i]] <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'r2r_hashset'
x[i] <- value
```

### Arguments

x	an hashset or hashmap.
i	for <code>`[[`</code> -subsetting, an arbitrary R object, the key to be queried or inserted/deleted from the hash tables. For <code>`[`</code> -subsetting, a list or an atomic vector whose individual elements correspond to the keys.
value	for <code>`[[`</code> -subsetting: TRUE or FALSE if x is an hashset, an arbitrary R object if x is an hashmap. In the case of hashsets, setting a key's value to TRUE and FALSE is equivalent to inserting and deleting, respectively, such key from the set. For <code>`[`</code> -subsetting, value must be a list or an atomic vector of the same length of i, whose individual elements are the values associated to the corresponding keys in the hash table.

### Value

the replacement forms (`[[<-` and `[<-`) always return value. ``[[`` returns TRUE or FALSE if x is an hashset, an arbitrary R object if x is an hashmap and i is a valid key; when i is not a key, the behaviour for hashmaps depends on the value of `on_missing_key(x)`. The ``[`` operator returns a list of the same length of i, whose k-th element is given by `x[[ i[[k]] ]]` (the remark on missing keys for hashmaps applies also here).

### Author(s)

Valerio Gherardi

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values

*List all values from an hash map*

---

### Description

This function is used to list all values associated to keys in an hashmap. Implemented as a generic, but currently only the hashmap method is defined.

**Usage**

```
values(x)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'r2r_hashmap'  
values(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    an hashset or hashmap.

**Value**

a list. Values associated to keys in the hash map x.

**Author(s)**

Valerio Gherardi

**Examples**

```
m <- hashmap(list("a", 1), list("b", 2))  
values(m)
```

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