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#### See Also

Useful links:

- https://github.com/krlmlr/enc
- Report bugs at https://github.com/krlmlr/enc/issues

encoding

**Encoding** information

# Description

The encoding function returns "ASCII" if the entire value consists of ASCII symbols only, and works identically to Encoding() otherwise. The all\_utf8 function is an efficient variant of all(encoding(x) %in% c("ASCII", "UTF-8")).

# Usage

```
encoding(x)
all_utf8(x)
```

# **Arguments**

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A character vector.

#### **Examples**

```
encoding("a")
encoding("\u00fc")
all_utf8(enc2utf8(c("a", "\u00fc")))
# Platform-dependent:
all_utf8(enc2native(c("a", "\u00fc")))
```

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read\_lines\_enc

Reads from a text file

# Description

This function is a drop-in replacement for readLines() from disk files. It always returns text in the UTF-8 encoding and never warns on missing EOL on the last line.

try\_read\_lines\_enc() is a variant that returns an empty character vector on error, with a warning.

# Usage

```
read_lines_enc(
  path,
  file_encoding = "UTF-8",
  n = -1L,
  ok = TRUE,
  skipNul = FALSE
)

try_read_lines_enc(
  path,
  file_encoding = "UTF-8",
  n = -1L,
  ok = TRUE,
  skipNul = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

path	Path to the file
file_encoding	The encoding to assume for the input file.
n	integer. The (maximal) number of lines to read. Negative values indicate that one should read up to the end of input on the connection.
ok	logical. Is it OK to reach the end of the connection before $n > \emptyset$ lines are read? If not, an error will be generated.
skipNul	logical: should nuls be skipped?

# See Also

```
readr::read_lines() for a faster alternative.
```

```
Other file functions: transform_lines_enc(), write_lines_enc()
```

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to\_encoding

Deep conversion to an encoding

#### **Description**

Converts all characters directly or indirectly contained in an object to a specific encoding. This works even if the encoding is different in the elements of a character vector.

# Usage

```
to_encoding

to_utf8(x, ...)

to_native(x, ...)

to_latin1(x, ...)

to_alien(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
to_encoding(x, ..., converter)
```

# Arguments

x A character vector.

... passed on to methods

converter A function that accepts a character value as first argument and returns a (possibly classed) character with the desired encoding

#### Format

An object of class function of length 1.

#### **Details**

```
to_utf8 converts to UTF-8, using the utf8() class where possible. Implemented as to_encoding(x, as_utf8)
```

to\_native converts to the native encoding. Implemented as to\_encoding(x, enc2native) on Windows and as to\_encoding(x, as\_utf8) on Linux and  $OS\ X$ 

to\_latin1 converts to the latin-1 encoding

to\_alien converts to the "other" encoding, i.e., UTF-8 on Windows and latin-1 on Linux and OS X.

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#### See Also

 rlang::as\_utf8\_character() and iconv() for different ways to convert character vectors to Unicode

# **Examples**

```
to_utf8(letters)
to_utf8(iris)
class(levels(to_utf8(iris)$Species))
```

transform\_lines\_enc

Transform a text file

# Description

Reads a file from disk, applies a function on the contents, and optionally writes the file back if different. The line ending separator of the input file is used if it can be read and contains at least one, otherwise native\_eol() is used.

#### Usage

```
transform_lines_enc(
  path,
  fun,
  file_encoding = "UTF-8",
  ok = TRUE,
  skipNul = FALSE,
  write_back = TRUE,
  verbose = interactive()
)
```

# Arguments

path A vector of file paths.

fun A function that returns a character vector.

file\_encoding The encoding to assume for the input file.

ok logical. Is it OK to reach the end of the connection before n > 0 lines are read?

If not, an error will be generated.

skipNul logical: should nuls be skipped?

write\_back Should the results of the transformation be written back to the file? Should the function show a message with a list of changed files?

#### Value

A named logical vector of the same length as path that indicates if a file has changed (TRUE or FALSE), or if an error occurred (NA)

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#### See Also

Other file functions: read\_lines\_enc(), write\_lines\_enc()

utf8

A simple class for storing UTF-8 strings

# Description

The values are stored as a character() vector. On construction, the enc2utf8() function is called on the input. Subsetting and concatenation operations on an object of this class return an object of this class again. Calls to Encoding<-() are not intercepted.

# Usage

```
utf8(x = character())
is_utf8(x)
as_utf8(x, ...)
## Default S3 method:
as_utf8(x, ...)
## S3 method for class '`NULL`'
as_utf8(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
as_utf8(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'utf8'
as_utf8(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'utf8'
as.character(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'utf8'
as.data.frame(
  Х,
  row.names = NULL,
 optional = FALSE,
 nm = paste(deparse(substitute(x), width.cutoff = 500L), collapse = " ")
)
## S3 method for class 'utf8'
format(x, ...)
```

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```
## S3 method for class 'utf8'
print(x, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A vector

. . . Arguments passed on to further methods.

row.names NULL or a character vector giving the row names for the data frame. Missing

values are not allowed.

optional logical. If TRUE, setting row names and converting column names (to syntac-

tic names: see make.names) is optional. Note that all of R's **base** package as.data.frame() methods use optional only for column names treatment, basically with the meaning of data.frame(\*, check.names = !optional). See

also the make.names argument of the matrix method.

nm Name of column in new data frame

# **Examples**

```
utf8(letters)
utf8("ä")
utf8(iconv("ä", to = "latin1"))
```

write\_lines\_enc

Writes to a text file

#### **Description**

This function is a drop-in replacement for writeLines() from disk files. It always expects text in the UTF-8 encoding, and by default writes in the UTF-8 encoding with Unix line separators.

#### Usage

```
write_lines_enc(text, path, file_encoding = "UTF-8", sep = "\n")
```

#### **Arguments**

text A character vector path Path to the file

sep character string. A string to be written to the connection after each line of text.

#### See Also

```
readr::write_lines() for a faster alternative.
Other file functions: read_lines_enc(), transform_lines_enc()
```

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