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arrow_notation	<i>Arrow notation</i>
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### Description

A description of arrow notation.

### Usage

arrow\_notation

### Format

A vector of notational symbols that provides an arrow separator ("a -> b") between prefix and suffix.

**Examples**

arrow\_notation

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bracket\_arrow\_notation

*Bracket arrow notation*

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**Description**

A description of bracket arrow notation.

**Usage**

bracket\_arrow\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides bracket arrow ("a [-> b]") notation.

**Examples**

bracket\_arrow\_notation

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bracket\_notation

*Bracket notation*

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**Description**

A description of bracket notation.

**Usage**

bracket\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides bracket ("a [b]") notation.

**Examples**

bracket\_notation

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dash_notation	<i>A description of dash notation.</i>
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**Description**

A description of dash notation.

**Usage**

dash\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides an dash separator ("a - b") between prefix and suffix.

**Examples**

dash\_notation

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first_dot_notation	<i>First dot notation</i>
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**Description**

A description of first dot notation. Note that "a.b.c" splits into prefix ("a") and suffix ("b.c").

**Usage**

first\_dot\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides first dot ("a.b") notation.

**Examples**

first\_dot\_notation

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from_notation	<i>From notation</i>
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**Description**

A description of from notation.

**Usage**

```
from_notation
```

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides from ("a [from b]") notation.

**Examples**

```
from_notation
```

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get_nouns	<i>Extract nouns from row and column labels</i>
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**Description**

Nouns are the first part of a row-column label, "a" in "a [b]". Internally, this function calls `get_pref_suff` (which = "pref").

**Usage**

```
get_nouns(
  labels,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

labels	A list or vector of labels from which nouns are to be extracted.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
notation	The notation type to be used when extracting nouns. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , meaning that the notation is inferred using <code>infer_notation()</code> .
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from notation when inferring notation. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list of nouns from row and column labels.

**Examples**

```
get_nouns("a [b]", notation = bracket_notation)
# Also works with vectors and lists.
get_nouns(c("a [b]", "c [d]"))
get_nouns(list("a [b]", "c [d]"))
```

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get\_objects

*Extract objects of prepositional phrases in row and column labels*

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**Description**

This function extracts the objects of prepositional phrases from row and column labels. The format of the output is a list of named items, one name for each preposition encountered in labels. Objects are NA if there is no prepositional phrase starting with that preposition.

**Usage**

```
get_objects(
  labels,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list
)
```

**Arguments**

- |                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| labels               | The row and column labels from which prepositional phrases are to be extracted.   |
| inf_notation         | A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See infer_notation() for details.  |
| notation             | The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is RCLabels::notations_list, meaning that the notation is inferred using infer_notation().   |
| choose_most_specific | A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from notation when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with RCLabels::notations_list, the default value of FALSE means that RCLabels::bracket_notation will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as RCLabels::from_notation. |
| prepositions         | A vector of strings to be treated as prepositions. Note that a space is appended to each word internally, so, e.g., "to" becomes "to ". Default is RCLabels::prepositions_list.   |

**Value**

A list of objects of prepositional phrases, with names being prepositions, and values being objects.

**Examples**

```
get_objects(c("a [of b into c]", "d [of Coal from e -> f]"))
```

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get_piece	<i>Get a piece of a label</i>
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**Description**

This is a wrapper function for `get_pref_suff()`, `get_nouns()`, and `get_objects()`. It returns a piece of a row or column label.

**Usage**

```
get_piece(
  labels,
  piece = "all",
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list
)
```

**Arguments**

labels	The row and column labels from which prepositional phrases are to be extracted.
piece	The name of the item to return.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
notation	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , meaning that the notation is inferred using <code>infer_notation()</code> .
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from <code>notation</code> when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , the default value of FALSE means that <code>RCLabels::bracket_notation</code> will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as <code>RCLabels::from_notation</code> .
prepositions	A vector of strings to be treated as prepositions. Note that a space is appended to each word internally, so, e.g., "to" becomes "to ". Default is <code>RCLabels::prepositions_list</code> .

## Details

piece is typically one of

- "all" (which returns labels directly),
- "pref" (for the prefixes),
- "suff" (for the suffixes),
- "noun" (returns the noun),
- "pps" (prepositional phrases, returns prepositional phrases in full),
- "prepositions" (returns a list of prepositions),
- "objects" (returns a list of objects with prepositions as names), or
- a preposition in prepositions (as a string), which will return the object of that preposition named by the preposition itself.

piece must be a character vector of length 1. If a piece is missing in a label, "" (empty string) is returned.

If specifying more than one notation, be sure the notations are in a list. notation = c(RCLabels::bracket\_notation, RCLabels::arrow\_notation) is unlikely to produce the desired result, because the notations are concatenated together to form a long string vector. Rather say notation = list(RCLabels::bracket\_notation, RCLabels::arrow\_notation).

## Value

A piece of labels.

## Examples

```
labs <- c("a [from b in c]", "d [of e in f]", "Export [of Coal from USA to MEX]")
get_piece(labs, "pref")
get_piece(labs, "suff")
get_piece(labs, piece = "noun")
get_piece(labs, piece = "pps")
get_piece(labs, piece = "prepositions")
get_piece(labs, piece = "objects")
get_piece(labs, piece = "from")
get_piece(labs, piece = "in")
get_piece(labs, piece = "of")
get_piece(labs, piece = "to")
```

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get\_pps

*Extract prepositional phrases of row and column labels*

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## Description

This function extracts prepositional phrases from suffixes of row and column labels of the form "a [preposition b]", where "preposition b" is the prepositional phrase.



**Usage**

```

get_pps(
  labels,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list
)

```

**Arguments**

- labels** A list or vector of labels from which prepositional phrases are to be extracted.
- inf\_notation** A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See `infer_notation()` for details.
- notation** The notation type to be used when extracting prepositional phrases. Default is `RCLabels::notations_list`, meaning that the notation is inferred using `infer_notation()`.
- choose\_most\_specific** A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from `notation` when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with `RCLabels::notations_list`, the default value of FALSE means that `RCLabels::bracket_notation` will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as `RCLabels::from_notation`.
- prepositions** A list of prepositions for which to search. Default is `RCLabels::prepositions_list`.

**Value**

All prepositional phrases in a suffix.

**Examples**

```

get_pps(c("a [in b]", "c [of d]"))
get_pps(c("a [of b in c]", "d [-> e of f]"))

```

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get\_prepositions      *Extract prepositions from row and column labels*

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**Description**

This function extracts prepositions from a list of row and column labels. The list has outer structure of the number of labels and an inner structure of each prepositional phrase in the specific label.

**Usage**

```

get_prepositions(
  labels,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list
)

```

**Arguments**

labels	The row and column labels from which prepositional phrases are to be extracted.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See infer_notation() for details.
notation	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is RCLabels::notations_list, meaning that the notation is inferred using infer_notation().
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from notation when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with RCLabels::notations_list, the default value of FALSE means that RCLabels::bracket_notation will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as RCLabels::from_notation.
prepositions	A vector of strings to be treated as prepositions. Note that a space is appended to each word internally, so, e.g., "to" becomes "to ". Default is RCLabels::prepositions_list.

**Details**

If labels are in the form of [from\\_notation](#), [to\\_notation](#) or similar, it is probably best to give [bracket\\_notation](#) in the notation argument. Providing [from\\_notation](#), [to\\_notation](#) or similar in the notation argument will lead to empty results. The preposition is discarded when extracting the suffix, yielding empty strings for the prepositions.

**Value**

A list of prepositions.

**Examples**

```

get_prepositions(c("a [of b into c]", "d [-> e of f]"))
get_prepositions(c("a [of b]", "d [-> e of f]"),
  inf_notation = FALSE,
  notation = bracket_notation)
# Best to *not* specify notation by the preposition,
# as the result will be empty strings.
# Rather, give the notation as `bracket_notation`
# as shown above, or infer the notation
# as shown below.
get_prepositions(c("a [of b]", "d [-> e of f]"),
  inf_notation = TRUE)

```

```
# The suffix is extracted, and the preposition
# is lost before looking for the preposition.
get_prepositions(c("a [of b]", "d [of f]"),
                inf_notation = FALSE,
                notation = of_notation)
```

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infer_notation	<i>Infer the notation(s) for a row or column label</i>
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## Description

It is convenient to know which notation is applicable to row or column labels. This function infers which notations are appropriate for `x`.

## Usage

```
infer_notation(
  x,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notations = RCLabels::notations_list,
  allow_multiple = FALSE,
  retain_names = FALSE,
  choose_most_specific = TRUE,
  must_succeed = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	A row or column label (or vector of labels).
<code>inf_notation</code>	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for <code>x</code> . Default is TRUE.
<code>notations</code>	A list of notations from which matches will be inferred. This function might not work as expected if notation is not a list. If notation is not a list, notations is returned in full. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> .
<code>allow_multiple</code>	A boolean that tells whether multiple notation matches are allowed. If FALSE (the default), multiple matches give an error.
<code>retain_names</code>	A boolean that tells whether to retain names from notations on the outgoing matches. Default is FALSE. If TRUE, the return value is <i>always</i> a named list. If only one of notations is returned (for example, because <code>choose_most_specific = TRUE</code> ), names are never supplied.
<code>choose_most_specific</code>	A boolean that indicates whether the most-specific notation will be returned when more than one of notations matches <code>x</code> and <code>allow_multiple = FALSE</code> . When FALSE, the first matching notation in notations is returned when <code>allow_multiple = FALSE</code> . Default is TRUE. See details.
<code>must_succeed</code>	A boolean that if TRUE (the default), causes an error to be thrown if a matching notation is not found for any label in <code>x</code> . When FALSE, an unsuccessful notation inference will return NULL.

## Details

This function is vectorized. Thus, `x` can be a vector, in which case the output is a list of notations. `notations` is treated as a store from which matches for each label in `x` can be determined. `notations` should be a named list of notations. When `retain_names = TRUE`, the names on notations will be retained, and the return value is *always* a list.

By default (`allow_multiple = FALSE`), a single notation object is returned for each item in `x` if only one notation in `notations` is appropriate for `x`. If `allow_multiple = FALSE` (the default) and more than one notation is applicable to `x`, an error is thrown. Multiple matches can be returned when `allow_multiple = TRUE`.

If multiple notations are matched, the return value is a list.

When `choose_most_specific = TRUE` (the default), the most specific notation in `notations` is returned. "Most specific" is defined as the matching notation whose sum of characters in the `pref_start`, `pref_end`, `suff_start` and `suff_end` elements is greatest. If `choose_most_specific = TRUE` and two matching notations in `notations` have the same number of characters, only the first match is returned. When `choose_most_specific = TRUE`, the value of `allow_multiple` no longer matters. `allow_multiple = FALSE` is implied and at most one of the notations will be returned.

When `inf_notation = FALSE` (default is `TRUE`), notations are returned unmodified, essentially disabling this function. Although calling with `inf_notation = FALSE` seems daft, this behavior enables cleaner code elsewhere.

## Value

A single notation object (if `x` is a single row or column label) or a list of notation objects (if `x` is a vector or a list). If no notations match `x`, `NULL` is returned, either alone or in a list.

## Examples

```
# Does not match any notations in RCLabels::notations_list
# and throws an error, because the default value for `must_succeed`
# is `TRUE`.
## Not run:
infer_notation("abc")

## End(Not run)
# This returns `NULL`, because `must_succeed = FALSE`.
infer_notation("abc", must_succeed = FALSE)
# This succeeds, because the label is in the form of a
# notation in `RCLabels::notation_list`,
# the default value of the `notation` argument.
infer_notation("a -> b")
# Names of the notations can be retained, in which case
# the return value is always a list.
infer_notation("a -> b", retain_names = TRUE)
# This function is vectorized.
# The list of labels matches
# all known notations in `RCLabels::notations_list`.
infer_notation(c("a -> b", "a (b)", "a [b]", "a [from b]", "a [of b]",
                "a [to b]", "a [in b]", "a [-> b]", "a.b"),
              retain_names = TRUE)
```

```

# By default, the most specific notation is returned.
# But when two or more matches are present,
# multiple notations can be returned, too.
infer_notation("a [from b]",
              allow_multiple = TRUE, retain_names = TRUE,
              choose_most_specific = FALSE)
infer_notation(c("a [from b]", "c [to d]"),
              allow_multiple = TRUE, retain_names = TRUE,
              choose_most_specific = FALSE)
# As shown above, "a \[from b\]" matches 2 notations:
# `RCLabels::bracket_notation` and `RCLabels::from_notation`.
# The default value for the notation argument is
# RCLabels::notations_list,
# which includes `RCLabels::bracket_notation`
# and `RCLabels::from_notation` in that order.
# Thus, there is some flexibility to how this function works
# if the value of the `notation` argument is a list of notations
# ordered from least specific to most specific,
# as `RCLabels::notations_list` is ordered.
# To review, the next call returns both `RCLabels::bracket_notation` and
# `RCLabels::from_notation`, because `allow_multiple = TRUE` and
# `choose_most_specific = FALSE`, neither of which are default.
infer_notation("a [from b]",
              allow_multiple = TRUE,
              choose_most_specific = FALSE,
              retain_names = TRUE)
# The next call returns `RCLabels::from_notation`, because
# the most specific notation is requested, and
# `RCLabels::from_notation` has more characters in its specification than
# `RCLabels::bracket_notation`.
infer_notation("a [from b]",
              choose_most_specific = TRUE,
              retain_names = TRUE)
# The next call returns the `RCLabels::bracket_notation`, because
# `choose_most_specific = FALSE`, and the first matching
# notation in `RCLabels::notations_list` is `RCLabels::bracket_notation`.
infer_notation("a [from b]",
              choose_most_specific = FALSE,
              retain_names = TRUE)

```

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infer\_notation\_for\_one\_label

*Infer the notation from one row or column label*

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## Description

This is a non-public helper function for vectorized `infer_notation()`.

**Usage**

```
infer_notation_for_one_label(
    x,
    inf_notation = TRUE,
    notations = RCLabels::notations_list,
    allow_multiple = FALSE,
    retain_names = FALSE,
    choose_most_specific = TRUE,
    must_succeed = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A single row or column label.
<code>inf_notation</code>	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for <code>x</code> .
<code>notations</code>	A list of notations from which matches will be inferred. This function might not work as expected if notation is not a list. If notation is not a list, notations is returned in full. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> .
<code>allow_multiple</code>	A boolean that tells whether multiple notation matches are allowed. If FALSE (the default), multiple matches give an error.
<code>retain_names</code>	A boolean that tells whether to retain names on the outgoing matches. Default is FALSE. If TRUE, the return value is a named list. If only one of notations is returned, names are never supplied.
<code>choose_most_specific</code>	A boolean that indicates if the most-specific notation will be returned when more than one of notations matches <code>x</code> . Default is TRUE.
<code>must_succeed</code>	A boolean that if TRUE (the default), causes an error to be thrown if a matching notation is not found for any label in <code>x</code> . When FALSE, an unsuccessful label inference will return NULL.

**Value**

A single matching notation object (if `allow_multiple = FALSE`, the default) or possibly multiple matching notation objects (if `allow_multiple = TRUE`). If no notations match `x`, NULL.

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`in_notation`

*In notation*

---

**Description**

A description of in notation.

**Usage**

```
in_notation
```

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides to ("a [in b]") notation.

**Examples**

```
in_notation
```

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make_list	<i>Make a list of items in x, regardless of x's type</i>
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**Description**

Repeats x as necessary to make n of them. Does not try to simplify x.

**Usage**

```
make_list(x, n, lenx = ifelse(is.vector(x), length(x), 1))
```

**Arguments**

x	The object to be duplicated.
n	The number of times to be duplicated.
lenx	The length of item x. By default, lenx is taken to be length(x),

**Details**

If x is itself a vector or list, you may want to override the default value for lenx. For example, if x is a list that should be duplicated several times, set lenx = 1.

**Value**

A list of x duplicated n times

**Examples**

```
m <- matrix(c(1:6), nrow=3, dimnames = list(c("r1", "r2", "r3"), c("c2", "c1")))
make_list(m, n = 1)
make_list(m, n = 2)
make_list(m, n = 5)
make_list(list(c(1,2), c(1,2)), n = 4)
m <- matrix(1:4, nrow = 2)
l <- list(m, m+100)
make_list(l, n = 4)
make_list(l, n = 1) # Warning because l is trimmed.
make_list(l, n = 5) # Warning because length(l) (i.e., 2) not evenly divisible by 5
make_list(list(c("r10", "r11"), c("c10", "c11")), n = 2) # Confused by x being a list
make_list(list(c("r10", "r11"), c("c10", "c11")), n = 2, lenx = 1) # Fix by setting lenx = 1
```

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make_or_pattern	<i>Create "or" regex patterns</i>
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### Description

This function makes "or" regex patterns from vectors or lists of strings. This function can be used with the `matsbyname::select_rows_byname()` and `matsbyname::select_cols_byname` functions. `make_or_pattern()` correctly escapes special characters in strings, such as `(` and `)`, as needed. Thus, it is highly recommended that `make_or_pattern` be used when constructing patterns for row and column selections with `matsbyname::select_rows_byname()` and `matsbyname::select_cols_byname()`.

### Usage

```
make_or_pattern(
  strings,
  pattern_type = c("exact", "leading", "trailing", "anywhere", "literal")
)
```

### Arguments

`strings`            A vector of row and column names.  
`pattern_type`        One of "exact", "leading", "trailing", "anywhere", or "literal". Default is "exact".

### Details

`pattern_type` controls the type of pattern created:

- `exact` produces a regex pattern that selects row or column names by exact match.
- `leading` produces a regex pattern that selects row or column names if the item in `strings` matches the beginnings of row or column names.
- `trailing` produces a regex pattern that selects row or column names if the item in `strings` matches the ends of row or column names.
- `anywhere` produces a regex pattern that selects row or column names if the item in `strings` matches any substring of row or column names.
- `literal` returns `strings` unmodified, and it is up to the caller to formulate a correct regex.

### Value

An "or" regex pattern suitable for selecting row and column names. Amenable for use with `matsbyname::select_rows_byname` or `matsbyname::select_cols_byname`.

### Examples

```
make_or_pattern(strings = c("a", "b"), pattern_type = "exact")
make_or_pattern(strings = c("a", "b"), pattern_type = "leading")
make_or_pattern(strings = c("a", "b"), pattern_type = "trailing")
make_or_pattern(strings = c("a", "b"), pattern_type = "anywhere")
make_or_pattern(strings = c("a", "b"), pattern_type = "literal")
```



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modify\_label\_pieces    *Modify pieces of row and column labels*

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### Description

Typical pieces include "noun" or a preposition, such as "in" or "from". See `RCLabels::prepositions` for additional examples. This argument may be a single string or a character vector.

### Usage

```
modify_label_pieces(
  labels,
  piece,
  mod_map,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::bracket_notation,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>labels</code>	A vector of row or column labels in which pieces will be modified.
<code>piece</code>	The piece (or pieces) of the row or column label that will be modified.
<code>mod_map</code>	A modification map. See details.
<code>prepositions</code>	A list of prepositions, used to detect prepositional phrases. Default is <code>RCLabels::prepositions_list</code> .
<code>inf_notation</code>	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is <code>TRUE</code> . See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
<code>notation</code>	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , meaning that the notation is inferred using <code>infer_notation()</code> .
<code>choose_most_specific</code>	A boolean that tells whether the most specific notation is selected when more than one notation match. Default is <code>FALSE</code> .

### Details

This function modifies pieces of row and column labels according to `label_map` that defines "one or many to one" relationships. This function is useful for aggregations. For example, replacing nouns can be done by `modify_label_pieces(labels, piece = "noun", label_map = list(new_noun = c("a", "b", "c"))`. The string "new\_noun" will replace any of "a", "b", or "c" when they appear as nouns in a row or column label. See examples for details.

The `mod_map` argument should consist of a named list of character vectors in which names indicate strings to be inserted and values indicate values that should be replaced. The sense is `new = old` or `new = olds`, where "new" is the new name (the replacement) and "old"/"olds" is/are a string/vector of strings, any one of which will be replaced by "new".

Note piece can be "pref"/"suff" or "noun"/"prepositions" If any piece is "pref" or "suff", all pieces are assumed to be a prefix or a suffix. If non of the pieces are "pref" or "suff", all pieces are assumed to be nouns or prepositions, such as "in" or "from". See `RCLabels::prepositions` for additional examples. This argument may be a single string or a character vector.

### Value

labels with replacements according to piece and mod\_map.

### Examples

```
# Simple case
modify_label_pieces("a [of b in c]",
                    piece = "noun",
                    mod_map = list(new_noun = c("a", "b")))
# Works with a vector or list of labels
modify_label_pieces(c("a [of b in c]", "d [-> e in f]"),
                    piece = "noun",
                    mod_map = list(new_noun = c("d", "e")))
# Works with multiple items in the mod_map
modify_label_pieces(c("a [of b in c]", "d [-> e in f]"),
                    piece = "noun",
                    mod_map = list(new_noun1 = c("a", "b", "c"),
                                   new_noun2 = c("d", "e", "f")))
# Works with multiple pieces to be modified
modify_label_pieces(c("a [of b in c]", "d [-> e in f]"),
                    piece = c("noun", "in"),
                    mod_map = list(new_noun = c("a", "b", "c"),
                                   new_in = c("c", "f")))
```

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modify\_nouns

*Modify nouns in labels*

---

### Description

This function modifies the nouns of row and column labels. The length of `new_nouns` must be the same as the length of labels.

### Usage

```
modify_nouns(
  labels,
  new_nouns,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

labels	The row and column labels in which the nouns will be modified.
new_nouns	The new nouns to be set in labels. Must be same length as labels.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for labels. Default is TRUE. See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
notation	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , meaning that the notation is inferred using <code>infer_notation()</code> .
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from <code>notation</code> when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , the default value of FALSE means that <code>RCLabels::bracket_notation</code> will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as <code>RCLabels::from_notation</code> .

**Value**

A character vector of same length as labels with nouns modified to be new\_nouns.

**Examples**

```
labels <- c("a [of b in c]", "d [of e in USA]")
modify_nouns(labels, c("a_plus", "g"))
```

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notations\_list

*Notations list*

---

**Description**

A list of all bundled notations. This list is organized by least specific to most specific, thereby enabling some unique behaviors in `infer_notation()`. See the examples for `infer_notation()`.

**Usage**

```
notations_list
```

**Format**

A list of bundled notations.

**Examples**

```
notations_list
```

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of\_notation

*Of notation*

---

**Description**

A description of of notation.

**Usage**

of\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides of ("a [of b]") notation.

**Examples**

of\_notation

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paren\_notation

*Parenthetical notation*

---

**Description**

A description of parenthetical notation.

**Usage**

paren\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides a parenthetical ("a (b)") notation.

**Examples**

paren\_notation

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`paste_noun_pp`*Recombine row and column labels*

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**Description**

This function recombines (unplits) row or column labels that have been separated by `split_noun_pp()`.

**Usage**

```
paste_noun_pp(  
  splt_labels,  
  notation = RCLabels::bracket_notation,  
  squish = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>splt_labels</code>	A vector of split row or column labels, probably created by <code>split_noun_pp()</code> .
<code>notation</code>	The notation object that describes the labels. Default is <code>RCLabels::bracket_notation</code> .
<code>squish</code>	A boolean that tells whether to remove extra spaces in the output of <code>paste_*()</code> functions. Default is <code>TRUE</code> .

**Value**

Recombined row and column labels.

**Examples**

```
labs <- c("a [of b in c]", "d [from Coal mines in USA]")  
labs  
split <- split_noun_pp(labs)  
split  
paste_noun_pp(split)  
# Also works in a data frame  
df <- tibble::tibble(labels = c("a [in b]", "c [of d into USA]",  
                               "e [of f in g]", "h [-> i in j]"))  
recombined <- df %>%  
  dplyr::mutate(  
    splits = split_noun_pp(labels),  
    recombined = paste_noun_pp(splits)  
  )  
all(recombined$labels == recombined$recombined)
```

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<code>prepositions</code>	<i>Prepositions</i>
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**Description**

This constant is deprecated. Please use `prepositions_list` instead.

**Usage**

```
prepositions
```

**Format**

A vector of prepositions used in row and column labels.

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<code>prepositions_list</code>	<i>Prepositions</i>
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**Description**

Prepositions used in row and column labels.

**Usage**

```
prepositions_list
```

**Format**

A vector of prepositions used in row and column labels.

**Examples**

```
prepositions_list
```

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regex_funcs	<i>Find or replace row or column labels that match a regular expression</i>
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## Description

`match_by_pattern()` tells whether row or column labels match a regular expression. Internally, `grepl()` decides whether a match occurs. `replace_by_pattern()` replaces portions of row or column labels when a regular expression is matched. Internally, `gsub()` performs the replacements.

## Usage

```
match_by_pattern(
  labels,
  regex_pattern,
  pieces = "all",
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list,
  notation = RCLabels::bracket_notation,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

```
replace_by_pattern(
  labels,
  regex_pattern,
  replacement,
  pieces = "all",
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list,
  notation = RCLabels::bracket_notation,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

labels	The row and column labels to be modified.
regex_pattern	The regular expression pattern to determine matches and replacements. Consider using <code>Hmisc::escapeRegex()</code> to escape <code>regex_pattern</code> before calling this function.
pieces	The pieces of row or column labels to be checked for matches or replacements. See details.
prepositions	A vector of strings that count as prepositions. Default is <code>prepositions_list</code> . Used to detect prepositional phrases if <code>pieces</code> are to be interpreted as prepositions.
notation	The notation used in labels. Default is <code>bracket_notation</code> .
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for <code>x</code> . Default is <code>TRUE</code> . See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.

choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from notation when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with <a href="#">notations_list</a> , the default value of FALSE means that <a href="#">bracket_notation</a> will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as <a href="#">from_notation</a> .
...	Other arguments passed to <a href="#">grepl()</a> or <a href="#">gsub()</a> , such as <code>ignore.case</code> , <code>perl</code> , <code>fixed</code> , or <code>useBytes</code> . See examples.
replacement	For <a href="#">replace_by_pattern()</a> , the string that replaces all matches to <code>regex_pattern</code> .

## Details

By default (`pieces = "all"`), complete labels (as strings) are checked for matches and replacements. If `pieces == "pref"` or `pieces == "suff"`, only the prefix or the suffix is checked for matches and replacements. Alternatively, `pieces = "noun"` or `pieces = <<preposition>>` indicate that only specific pieces of labels are to be checked for matches and replacements. When `pieces = <<preposition>>`, only the object of `<<preposition>>` is checked for matches and replacement.

`pieces` can be a vector, indicating multiple pieces to be checked for matches and replacements. But if any of the pieces are "all", all pieces are checked and replaced. If `pieces` is "pref" or "suff", only one can be specified.

## Value

A logical vector of same length as `labels`, where TRUE indicates a match was found and FALSE indicates otherwise.

## Examples

```
labels <- c("Production [of b in c]", "d [of Coal in f]", "g [of h in USA]")
# With default `pieces` argument, matching is done for whole labels.
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "Production")
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "Coal")
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "USA")
# Check beginnings of labels
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "^Production")
# Check at ends of labels: no match.
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "Production$")
# Can match on nouns or prepositions.
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "Production", pieces = "noun")
# Gives FALSE, because "Production" is a noun.
match_by_pattern(labels, regex_pattern = "Production", pieces = "in")
```



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remove\_label\_pieces    *Remove a prepositional phrase in a row or column label*

---

## Description

This function removes pieces from row and column labels.

## Usage

```
remove_label_pieces(  
  labels,  
  pieces_to_remove,  
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list,  
  inf_notation = TRUE,  
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,  
  choose_most_specific = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

labels	The row and column labels from which prepositional phrases will be removed.
pieces_to_remove	The names of pieces of the label to be removed, typically "noun" or a preposition such as "of" or "in" See RCLabels::prepositions_list for a list of known prepositions.
prepositions	A list of prepositions, used to detect prepositional phrases. Default is RCLabels::prepositions_list.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See infer_notation() for details.
notation	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is RCLabels::notations_list, meaning that the notation is inferred using infer_notation().
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether the most specific notation is selected when more than one notation match. Default is FALSE.

## Value

labels with pieces removed.

## Examples

```
labs <- c("a [of b in c]", "d [-> e in f]")  
remove_label_pieces(labs, pieces_to_remove = "of")  
remove_label_pieces(labs, pieces_to_remove = c("of", "->"))  
remove_label_pieces(labs, pieces_to_remove = c("in", "into"))  
remove_label_pieces(labs, pieces_to_remove = c("of", "in"))
```

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row-col-notation	<i>Row and column notation</i>
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## Description

It is often convenient to represent matrix row and column names with notation that includes a prefix and a suffix, with corresponding separators or start-end string sequences. There are several functions to generate specialized versions or otherwise manipulate row and column names on their own or as row or column names.

- `flip_pref_suff()` Switches the location of prefix and suffix, such that the prefix becomes the suffix, and the suffix becomes the prefix. E.g., "a -> b" becomes "b -> a" or "a [b]" becomes "b [a]".
- `get_pref_suff()` Selects only prefix or suffix, discarding notational elements and the rejected part. Internally, this function calls `split_pref_suff()` and selects only the desired portion.
- `notation_vec()` Builds a vector of notation symbols in a standard format. By default, it builds a list of notation symbols that provides an arrow separator (" -> ") between prefix and suffix.
- `paste_pref_suff()` pastes prefixes and suffixes, the inverse of `split_pref_suff()`. Always returns a character vector.
- `preposition_notation()` Builds a list of notation symbols that provides (by default) square brackets around the suffix with a preposition ("prefix [preposition suffix]").
- `split_pref_suff()` Splits prefixes from suffixes, returning each in a list with names `pref` and `suff`. If no prefix or suffix delimiters are found, `x` is returned in the `pref` item, unmodified, and the `suff` item is returned as "" (an empty string). If there is no prefix, and empty string is returned for the `pref` item. If there is no suffix, and empty string is returned for the `suff` item.
- `switch_notation()` Switches from one type of notation to another based on the `from` and `to` arguments. Optionally, prefix and suffix can be flipped.

Parts of a notation vector are "pref\_start", "pref\_end", "suff\_start", and "suff\_end". None of the strings in a notation vector are considered part of the prefix or suffix. E.g., "a -> b" in arrow notation means that "a" is the prefix and "b" is the suffix. If `sep` only is specified for `notation_vec()` (default is " -> "), `pref_start`, `pref_end`, `suff_start`, and `suff_end` are set appropriately.

For functions where the `notation` argument is used to identify portions of the row or column label (such as `split_pref_suff()`, `get_pref_suff()`, and the `from` argument to `switch_notation()`), (Note: `flip_pref_suff()` cannot infer notation, because it switches prefix and suffix in a known, single notation.) if `notation` is a list, it is treated as a store from which the most appropriate notation is inferred by `infer_notation(choose_most_specific = TRUE)`. Because default is `RCLabels::notations_list`, `notation` is inferred by default. The argument `choose_most_specific` tells what to do when two notations match a label: if `TRUE` (the default), the notation with most characters is selected. If `FALSE`, the first matching notation in `notation` will be selected. See details at `infer_notation()`.

If specifying more than one notation, be sure the notations are in a list. `notation = c(RCLabels::bracket_notation, RCLabels::arrow_notation)` is unlikely to produce the desired result, because the notations are concatenated together to form a long string vector. Rather say `notation = list(RCLabels::bracket_notation, RCLabels::arrow_notation)`.

For functions that construct labels (such as `paste_pref_suff()`), `notation` can be a list of notations over which the paste tasks is mapped. If `notation` is a list, it must have as many items as there are prefix/suffix pairs to be pasted.

If either `pref` or `suff` are a zero-length character vector (essentially an empty character vector such as obtained from `character()`) input to `paste_pref_suff()`, an error is thrown. Instead, use an empty character string (such as obtained from `""`).

### Usage

```
notation_vec(
  sep = " -> ",
  pref_start = "",
  pref_end = "",
  suff_start = "",
  suff_end = ""
)

preposition_notation(preposition, suff_start = " [", suff_end = "]")

split_pref_suff(
  x,
  transpose = FALSE,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = TRUE
)

paste_pref_suff(
  ps = list(pref = pref, suff = suff),
  pref = NULL,
  suff = NULL,
  notation = RCLabels::arrow_notation,
  squish = TRUE
)

flip_pref_suff(
  x,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  choose_most_specific = TRUE
)

get_pref_suff(
  x,
```

```

  which = c("pref", "suff"),
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = TRUE
)

switch_notation(
  x,
  from = RCLabels::notations_list,
  to,
  flip = FALSE,
  inf_notation = TRUE
)

```

### Arguments

sep	A string separator between prefix and suffix. Default is "->".
pref_start	A string indicating the start of a prefix. Default is NULL.
pref_end	A string indicating the end of a prefix. Default is the value of sep.
suff_start	A string indicating the start of a suffix. Default is the value of sep.
suff_end	A string indicating the end of a suffix. Default is NULL.
preposition	A string used to indicate position for energy flows, typically "from" or "to" in different notations.
x	A string or vector of strings to be operated upon.
transpose	A boolean that tells whether to <code>purrr::transpose()</code> the result. Set <code>transpose = TRUE</code> when using <code>split_pref_suff()</code> in a <code>dplyr::mutate()</code> call in the context of a data frame. Default is FALSE.
inf_notation	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
notation	A notation vector generated by one of the <code>*_notation()</code> functions, such as <code>notation_vec()</code> , <code>arrow_notation</code> , or <code>bracket_notation</code> .
choose_most_specific	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from the <code>notation</code> argument when the <code>notation</code> argument is a list.
ps	A list of prefixes and suffixes in which each item of the list is itself a list with two items named <code>pref</code> and <code>suff</code> .
pref	A string or list of strings that are prefixes. Default is NULL.
suff	A string or list of strings that are suffixes. Default is NULL.
squish	A boolean that tells whether to remove extra spaces in the output of <code>paste_*()</code> functions. Default is TRUE.
which	Tells which to keep, the prefix ("pref") or the suffix ("suff").
from	The notation to switch <i>away from</i> .
to	The notation to switch <i>to</i> .
flip	A boolean that tells whether to also flip the notation. Default is FALSE.

**Value**

For `notation_vec()`, `arrow_notation`, and `bracket_notation`, a string vector with named items `pref_start`, `pref_end`, `suff_start`, and `suff_end`; For `split_pref_suff()`, a string list with named items `pref` and `suff`. For `paste_pref_suff()`, `split_pref_suff()`, and `switch_notation()`, a string list in notation format specified by various notation arguments, including `from`, and `to`. For `keep_pref_suff`, one of the prefix or suffix or a list of prefixes or suffixes.

**Examples**

```
notation_vec()
arrow_notation
bracket_notation
split_pref_suff("a -> b", notation = arrow_notation)
# Or infer the notation (by default from notations_list)
split_pref_suff("a -> b")
split_pref_suff(c("a -> b", "c -> d", "e -> f"))
split_pref_suff(c("a -> b", "c -> d", "e -> f"), transpose = TRUE)
flip_pref_suff("a [b]", notation = bracket_notation)
# Infer notation
flip_pref_suff("a [b]")
get_pref_suff("a -> b", which = "suff")
switch_notation("a -> b", from = arrow_notation, to = bracket_notation)
# Infer notation and flip prefix and suffix
switch_notation("a -> b", to = bracket_notation, flip = TRUE)
# Also works for vectors
switch_notation(c("a -> b", "c -> d"),
                from = arrow_notation,
                to = bracket_notation)
# Functions can infer the correct notation and return multiple matches
infer_notation("a [to b]",
               allow_multiple = TRUE,
               choose_most_specific = FALSE)
# Or choose the most specific notation
infer_notation("a [to b]",
               allow_multiple = TRUE,
               choose_most_specific = TRUE)
# When setting the from notation, only that type of notation will be switched
switch_notation(c("a -> b", "c [to d]"),
                from = arrow_notation,
                to = bracket_notation)
# But if notations are inferred, all notations can be switched
switch_notation(c("a -> b", "c [to d]"), to = bracket_notation)
# A double-switch can be accomplished.
# In this first example, `RCLabels::first_dot_notation` is inferred.
switch_notation("a.b.c", to = arrow_notation)
# In this second example,
# it is easier to specify the `from` and `to` notations.
switch_notation("a.b.c", to = arrow_notation) %>%
  switch_notation(from = first_dot_notation, to = arrow_notation)
# "" can be used as an input
paste_pref_suff(pref = "a", suff = "", notation = RCLabels::from_notation)
```

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split\_noun\_pp

*Split row and column labels into nouns and prepositional phrases*


---

### Description

This function is similar to `split_pref_suff()` in that it returns a list. However, this function's list is more detailed than `split_pref_suff()`. The return value from this function is a list with the first named item being the prefix (with the name noun) followed by objects of prepositional phrases (with names being prepositions that precede the objects).

### Usage

```
split_noun_pp(
  labels,
  inf_notation = TRUE,
  notation = RCLabels::notations_list,
  choose_most_specific = FALSE,
  prepositions = RCLabels::prepositions_list
)
```

### Arguments

<code>labels</code>	The row and column labels from which prepositional phrases are to be extracted.
<code>inf_notation</code>	A boolean that tells whether to infer notation for x. Default is TRUE. See <code>infer_notation()</code> for details.
<code>notation</code>	The notation type to be used when extracting prepositions. Default is <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , meaning that the notation is inferred using <code>infer_notation()</code> .
<code>choose_most_specific</code>	A boolean that tells whether to choose the most specific notation from <code>notation</code> when inferring notation. Default is FALSE so that a less specific notation can be inferred. In combination with <code>RCLabels::notations_list</code> , the default value of FALSE means that <code>RCLabels::bracket_notation</code> will be selected instead of anything more specific, such as <code>RCLabels::from_notation</code> .
<code>prepositions</code>	A vector of strings to be treated as prepositions. Note that a space is appended to each word internally, so, e.g., "to" becomes "to ". Default is <code>RCLabels::prepositions_list</code> .

### Details

Unlike `split_pref_suff()`, it does not make sense to have a transpose argument on `split_noun_pp()`. Labels may not have the same structure, e.g., they may have different prepositions.

### Value

A list of lists with items named noun and pp.

## Examples

```
# Specify the notation
split_noun_pp(c("a [of b in c]", "d [of e into f]"),
              notation = bracket_notation)
# Infer the notation via default arguments
split_noun_pp(c("a [of b in c]", "d [of e into f]"))
```

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strip_label_part	<i>A convenience function to help splitting prefixes and suffixes</i>
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## Description

This function should only ever see a single label (x) and a single notation.

## Usage

```
strip_label_part(x, notation, part, pattern_pref = "", pattern_suff = "")
```

## Arguments

x	The label(s) to be split.
notation	The notations to be used for each x.
part	The part of the label to work on, such as "pref_start", "pref_end", "suff_start", or "suff_end".
pattern_pref	The prefix to a regex pattern to be used in gsub().
pattern_suff	The suffix to a regex pattern to be used in gsub().

## Details

If notation is NULL, x is returned, unmodified.

## Value

A label shorn of the part to be stripped.

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to\_notation

*To notation*

---

**Description**

A description of to notation.

**Usage**

to\_notation

**Format**

A vector of notational symbols that provides to ("a [to b]") notation.

**Examples**

to\_notation



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