

# Package ‘syskern’

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**Title** Coding Kernel for R/S Differences

**Description** Functions to handle some small R/S differences. See ?syskern.Intro for more details

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00.syskern.Intro     *Syskern*

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### Description

A small set of programs to facilitate programming around S/R differences

### Usage

```
library("syskern")
```

## Introduction

The purpose of this package is to provide a common set of utilities for some small points where S and R differ, so that other code works in both S and R, and to some extent on different operating systems. Since R now supports different operating systems fairly well the package has been revised to use R function names and syntax. A skeleton of similar programs is provided for use in S (tested only with Splus 3.3 in Unix).

The files in the S/ subdirectory of the package are for use with S (not R) and provide the functions `is.R`, `is.S`, `Sys.getenv`, `Platform`, `Sys.sleep`, `Sys.info`, `Sys.mail`, `system`, `file.copy`, `getwd`, `getOption`. The last of these uses the global variable `.Syskern.options` which is used only to indicate the mailer option. In many cases these functions just call S equivalents, possibly with arguments different from the defaults. The function `require` is defined but does nothing in S.

There are also a few function and variables added which have different definitions in S and R. A number of `is.Sxx` functions are defined to identify versions of S. The variable `.SPAWN` is also set to be used in Splus to identify if "For" loops should be used. (It is sometimes better not to use these even in Splus. `.SPAWN` should be FALSE in R.)

The functions `codefile.date.info`, `dateParsed` used in the dse bundle are also defined but are being deprecated and should be avoided.

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SPAWN

*Global variable*

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## Description

Global variable (can be used to control "For loops" in Splus).

## Usage

```
.SPAWN <- FALSE
```

## Details

Functions coded to use Splus "For loops" can check this global variable to see if they should use them or not.

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Sys.mail

*Send Mail*

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## Description

Uses a system mail tool to send a message. Multiple recipients can be specified in any of the addresses by enclosing them in double ("") quotes. Please do not use single ('') quotes.

The body is a vector of character. Each element of body is written as a line of the message body.

## Usage

```
Sys.mail(address= Sys.info()$user, ccaddress = NULL, bccaddress = NULL,
          subject = NULL, body= "no body", method =getOption("mailer"))
```

## Arguments

address	Recipient's email address. The default is the user name as indicated by <code>Sys.info()\$user</code> , which will correspond to your own email address on many systems.
ccaddress	Optional email address for copies. Use <code>ccaddress = NULL</code> for no copies.
bccaddress	Optional email address for blind copies. Use <code>bccaddress = NULL</code> for no copies.
subject	Subject of the email. Please do not use single quotes in the subject!
method	Submission method, one of "mailx", "mail", or "Mail".
body	A vector of character, one line per element to place in the body of the email.

## Details

Currently works only on Unix systems using "mailx", "mail" or "Mail". The mail tool needs to be found on your Unix search path.

## Value

TRUE or FALSE indicating success or failure as returned by the operating system. (This does not indicate that the message was received at the address.)

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## See Also

`link{options}`

## Examples

```
## Not run: Sys.mail(address="friends", subject="R", body="R is great")
```

<code>dateParsed</code>	<i>Utilities to handle small S/R differences</i>
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### Description

Utilities to handle small S/R differences.

### Usage

```
dateParsed()
file.date.info(file)
```

### Arguments

<code>file</code>	a character string indicating a file name.
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### Details

Utilities to handle small S/R differences.

### Value

misc.

### See Also

[is.S](#) [file.copy](#) [Sys.info](#)

### Examples

```
dateParsed()
```

<code>is.S</code>	<i>S/R Version Information</i>
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### Description

Determine the S/R version.

### Usage

```
is.S()
is.Splus()
is.Svanilla()
is.Splus.pre3.3()
```

### Arguments

None

**Details**

If the S/R version is the one in question then TRUE is returned, otherwise FALSE.

**Value**

TRUE or FALSE

**See Also**

[is.R](#)

**Examples**

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