

Computing Unit 3: Data Types



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`strsplit` split strings into substrings

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- Inside a character alternative, one can also use character classes by enclosing their names in [: ... :] (character classes are alnum, alpha, blank, cntrl, digit, graph, lower, print, punct, space, upper, xdigit).

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