

# Package ‘rJython’

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**Description** R interface to Python via Jython allowing R to call python code.

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**jython.assign***Assign and get variables in Python from R***Description**

Functions that assign and get Python variables from R.

**Usage**

```
jython.assign( rJython, var.name, value )
jython.get( rJython, py.var )
```

**Arguments**

rJython	rJython interpreter as instantiated by function rJython
var.name	a character string containing a valid python variable name
value	an R object whose equivalent wants to be assigned to the variable in python
py.var	Name of a python variable

**Details**

These functions can assign values to variables in Python as well as get their values back to R. Objects are serialized as json strings while being transferred between R and Python.

**Value**

Function jython.get returns a R version of the Python variable py.var.

**References**

<http://code.google.com/p/simplejson>

**Examples**

```
rJython <- rJython()

a <- 1:4
jython.assign( rJython, "a", a )
jython.exec( rJython, "b = len( a )" )
jython.get( rJython, "b" )

rJython$exec( "import math" )
jython.get( rJython, "math.pi" )
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*jython.call**jython.call*

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## Description

Calls Python functions from R

## Usage

```
jython.call( rJython, py.foo, ... )
```

## Arguments

rJython	rJython interpreter as instantiated by function <code>rJython</code>
py.foo	Name of a python function
...	R objects to pass as arguments to the Python function

## Details

This function runs a python function taking as arguments R objects and returning an R object. Some limitations exist as to the nature of the objects that can be passed between R and Jython. As of this writing, atomic arguments and vectors are supported.

The user has to be careful to indicate named parameters as required according to python conventions.

## Value

An R representation of the object returned by the call to the python function.

## References

<http://code.google.com/p/simplejson>

## Examples

```
rJython <- rJython()
jython.call( rJython, "len", 1:3 )

a <- 1:4
b <- 5:8
rJython$exec( "def concat(a,b): return a+b" )
jython.call( rJython, "concat", a, b)
```

jython.exec

*jython.exec***Description**

Executes python code via the Jython interpreter

**Usage**

```
jython.exec( rJython, python.code )
```

**Arguments**

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|-------------|--|
| rJython     | rJython interpreter as instantiated by function rJython  |
| python.code | a character vector containing python code, typically containing a single line with indentation and EOL characters as required by Python syntax |

**Details**

This function runs Python code. It needs to be provided by the caller in a character vector.  
 The vector may consists of a single string with EOL and indentation characters embedded.  
 Alternatively, it can be a character vector, each entry containing one or more lines of python code.

**Value**

None. If the code produces some output, it is up to the caller to go and fetch if from Jython.

**References**

<http://code.google.com/p/simplejson>

**Examples**

```
rJython <- rJython()

a <- 1:4
b <- 5:8
jython.exec( rJython, c( "def concat(a,b):", "\treturn a+b" ) )
jython.call( rJython, "concat", a, b)
```

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```
jython.method.call      jython.method.call
```

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## Description

Calls Python functions from R

## Usage

```
jython.method.call( rJython, py.object, py.method, ... )
```

## Arguments

rJython	rJython interpreter as instantiated by function rJython
py.object	an existing object
py.method	a method of such object
...	arguments for the method

## Details

This function runs a python function taking as arguments R objects and returning an R object. Some limitations exist as to the nature of the objects that can be passed between R and Jython. As of this writing, atomic arguments and vectors are supported.

The user has to be careful to indicate named parameters as required according to python conventions.

## Value

An R representation of the object returned by the call to the python function.

## References

<http://code.google.com/p/simplejson>

## Examples

```
rJython <- rJython()  
  
rJython$exec( 'a = "hola hola"' )  
jython.method.call( rJython, "a", "split", " " )
```

**rJython***rJython***Description**

Interface for using python from R via Jython

**Usage**

```
rJython( jython.jar = NULL, modules = NULL )
```

**Arguments**

<code>jython.jar</code>	Optional alternative location of the jython.jar file. The package is distributed with its 'jython.jar' file, but the user can invoke their own by providing its path.
<code>modules</code>	List containing optional paths for required modules. Packages utilizing rJython can add their own extra python modules to the 'inst' directory and then add their base path using function <code>system.file</code> so that they can be later found when issuing 'import module' directives.

**Details**

This function is not primarily intended to be run directly by users but to be used by R packages with python dependencies. Their authors are invited to hide the internals of this package in their code at their convenience.

**Value**

An object of class rJava that can execute python code as per the examples below.

**References**

<http://rsympy.googlecode.com>, <http://www.jython.org/Project/>, <http://www.jython.org/javadoc/org/python/util/PythonInterpreter.html>

**Examples**

```
rJython <- rJython()

# Now you can use the rJava low level interface

rJython$exec( "a = 2*2" )
four <- rJython$get("a")
.jstrVal( four )

# Alternatively, a higher level interface is provided by the rJython package:
```

```
a <- 1:4
jython.assign( rJython, "a", a )
jython.exec( rJython, "b = len( a )" )
jython.get( rJython, "b" )

## Not run:

# If package 'foo' contains python code that depends on module 'mod',
#   'mod' can be included in the 'inst' directory of the package.
# Then, in order to make it available to Jython, the interpreter can be
#   started as follows:

rJython <- rJython( modules = system.file("python-modules", package = "foo") )

## End(Not run)
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