

# Package ‘vecsets’

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**Description** The 'base' tools `union()` `intersect()`, etc., follow the algebraic definition that each element of a set must be unique. Since it's often helpful to compare all elements of two vectors, this toolset treats every element as unique for counting purposes. For ease of use, all functions in `vecsets` have an argument 'multiple' which, when set to `FALSE`, reverts them to the `base::sets` (alias for all the items) tools functionality.

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vecsets-package	<i>An extension of the base tools such as 'intersect' which does not reduce to unique elements</i>
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### Description

The base set-related tools follow the algebraic definition that each element of a set must be unique. Since it's often helpful to compare all elements of two vectors, this toolset treats every element as unique for counting purposes. For ease of use, all functions in `vecsets` have an argument `multiple` which, when set to `FALSE`, reverts them to the base set tools functionality.

### Details

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vintersect	<i>Perform intersection of two vectors, including counting repeated elements.</i>
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### Description

Unlike the `base::intersect` function, if the vectors have repeated elements in common, the intersection returns as many of these elements as are in whichever vector has fewer of them.

### Usage

```
vintersect(x, y, multiple = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
<code>y</code>	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
<code>multiple</code>	Should repeated "multiple" items be returned? Default is <code>TRUE</code> ; if set to <code>FALSE</code> , <code>vintersect</code> acts like the <code>base::intersect</code> function.

**Value**

A vector of the elements in the intersection of the two vectors. If `multiple=FALSE` is set, only unique values are returned. If the intersection is empty, an empty vector of same type is returned, mimicking `base::intersect`.

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**See Also**

[intersect](#), the CRAN package sets

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1:5,3,3,3,2,NA,NA)
y<- c(2:5,4,3,NA)
vintersect(x,y)
vintersect(x,y,multiple=FALSE)
intersect(x,y) #same as previous line
```

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vperm

*Calculate all permutations of all combinations of a specified size from a data object.*

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**Description**

This function first uses `combn` to generate combinations of the desired size, then calculates all permutations of all said combinations.

**Usage**

```
vperm(x, m, FUN = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	vector source for combinations, or integer <code>n</code> for <code>x &lt;- seq_len(n)</code>
<code>m</code>	number of elements to choose in making the combinations
<code>FUN</code>	function to be applied to each combination; default <code>NULL</code> means the identity, i.e., to return the combination (vector of length <code>m</code> )
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments, if any, required for the function <code>FUN</code> . See Details.

**Details**

`NA` values are considered as valid elements and will be processed just as they are in `combn`. The input arguments are passed directly to `combn` but with one important exception. `combn`'s argument `"simplify"` is forced to `"TRUE"` inside this function so as to allow the permutations to be more easily generated. If the user includes `simplify = FALSE` in the `...` input, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

An array within which each row contains one of the permutations.

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**See Also**

[intersect](#), the CRAN package [sets](#), [perms](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1:5,3,3,3,2,NA,NA)
xp <- vperm(x,4) #large array
```

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vsetdiff

*Find all elements in first argument which are not in second argument.*


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**Description**

Finds all elements in first argument which are not in the second argument. Unlike the base::setdiff function, if the vectors have repeated elements in common, only the "excess" number of a given element are returned.

**Usage**

```
vsetdiff(x, y, multiple = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
y	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
multiple	Should repeated "multiple" items be returned? Default is TRUE; if set to FALSE, vintersect acts like the base::intersect function.

**Value**

A vector of all elements in x which are not in y. If multiple=FALSE is set, only unique values are returned.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[setdiff](#), the CRAN package [sets](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1:5,3,3,3,2,NA,NA)
y<- c(2:5,4,3,NA)
vsetdiff(x,y)
vsetdiff(x,y,multiple=FALSE)
setdiff(x,y) # same as previous line
vsetdiff(y,x) #note the asymmetry
```

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vsetequal	<i>Check whether two vectors contain exactly the same collection of elements.</i>
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**Description**

Unlike the base `::setequal` function, if the vectors have repeated elements in common, the count of these elements is checked. As a result, vectors of different lengths will never be "equal."

**Usage**

```
vsetequal(x, y, multiple = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

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x	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
y	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
multiple	Should repeated "multiple" items be returned? Default is TRUE; if set to FALSE, vsetequal acts like the base <code>::intersect</code> function.

**Value**

A logical value indicating equality or inequality. If `multiple=FALSE` is set, both input vectors are reduced to unique values before checking for equality.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[setequal](#), the CRAN package sets

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1:5,3,3,3,2,NA,NA)
y<- c(1:5,4,3,NA)
vsetequal(x,y)
vsetequal(x,y,multiple=FALSE)
setequal(x,y) #same as previous line
```

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vunion	<i>Returns the union of its inputs including repeated elements.</i>
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### Description

The `base::union` function removes duplicates per algebraic set theory. `vunion` does not, and so returns as many duplicate elements as are in either input vector (not the sum of their inputs.) In short, `vunion` is the same as `vintersect(x,y) + vsetdiff(x,y) + vsetdiff(y,x)`.

### Usage

```
vunion(x, y, multiple = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
<code>y</code>	A vector or an object which can be coerced to a vector
<code>multiple</code>	Should repeated "multiple" items be returned? Default is TRUE; if set to FALSE, <code>vunion</code> acts like the <code>base::union</code> function.

### Value

A vector of the union of the two input vectors. If `multiple` is set to FALSE then the value returned is the same as `base::union`.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[union](#), the CRAN package sets

### Examples

```
x <- c(1:5,3,3,3,2,NA,NA)
y <- c(2:5,4,3,NA)
vunion(x,y)
vunion(x,y,multiple=FALSE)
union(x,y) #same as previous line
```

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