

Package: leanknit (via r-universe)

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Title A 'knitr' Engine for Lean 4 Proof Chunks

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Description Provides a 'knitr' language engine that compiles and checks Lean 4 code chunks against a 'lake' project, capturing proof output (including the result of '#print axioms') into rendered documents. Modeled on the 'duckknit' engine. Because a failing Lean check fails the render, a generated document cannot claim a proof that does not actually check. Also provides `install_lean()` to provision a Lean toolchain through 'elan', in the spirit of `torch::install_torch()`.

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Depends R (>= 4.1.0)

Imports knitr, processx, utils

Suggests rmarkdown, tinytest

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eng_lean	<i>The lean knitr engine</i>
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Description

Registered as `knitr::knit_engines$get("lean")` on package load. Not normally called directly.

Usage

```
eng_lean(options)
```

Arguments

options A knitr chunk options list.

Value

Rendered chunk output (from `knitr::engine_output()`).

find_lake	<i>Locate the lake binary</i>
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Description

Resolution order: the `leanknit.lake` option, then `lake` on `PATH`, then the default `elan` install location `~/.elan/bin/lake`.

Usage

```
find_lake()
```

Value

Absolute path to lake.

install_lean	<i>Install the Lean 4 toolchain</i>
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Description

Downloads and runs the official [elan](#) installer, which provisions elan, lake, and a Lean toolchain under `~/.elan`. This mirrors the convenience of `torch::install_torch()`: the heavy external toolchain is fetched on demand rather than vendored.

Usage

```
install_lean(toolchain = "stable", modify_path = FALSE, quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

toolchain	Lean toolchain channel or version to install as default, e.g. "stable" (default) or "leanprover/lean4:v4.30.0".
modify_path	If TRUE, let the installer modify shell profiles to add <code>~/.elan/bin</code> to PATH. Defaults to FALSE (non-invasive).
quiet	Suppress installer output.

Details

After installation lake lives at `~/.elan/bin/lake`, which `find_lake()` discovers automatically. To use lake from an interactive shell, add `~/.elan/bin` to your PATH (the installer can do this for you).

Value

The path to the elan bin directory, invisibly.

lean_sitrep	<i>Report the leanknit / Lean toolchain situation</i>
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Description

Prints the resolved lake path and version, the configured project, and any active sessions. Useful in a document setup chunk to confirm the engine can run before relying on it.

Usage

```
lean_sitrep()
```

Value

A list with lake, version, project, and sessions, invisibly.

lean_version	<i>Report the installed Lean version</i>
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Description

Report the installed Lean version

Usage

```
lean_version()
```

Value

The lean --version string, or NA if Lean is not available.

leanknit_available	<i>Is a usable Lean toolchain available?</i>
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Description

Is a usable Lean toolchain available?

Usage

```
leanknit_available()
```

Value

TRUE if `find_lake()` succeeds, otherwise FALSE.

`leanknit_example_project`*A disposable copy of the bundled example lake project*

Description

Copies the small Lean project shipped under `inst/lean` to a fresh temporary directory and returns its path. Used by the vignette and tests so that build artifacts never land in the installed package. Point `leanknit.project` at the returned path.

Usage

```
leanknit_example_project()
```

Value

Path to a writable copy of the example project.

`leanknit_exec`*Compile a Lean source string against a lake project*

Description

Writes code to a temporary `.lean` file inside `project` (so `import` resolves) and runs `lake env lean` on it.

Usage

```
leanknit_exec(project, code, timeout = 120000L)
```

Arguments

<code>project</code>	Path to the lake project.
<code>code</code>	Lean source as a single string.
<code>timeout</code>	Timeout in milliseconds.

Value

A list with `stdout`, `stderr`, and integer status.

leanknit_get_session *Get a leanknit session, creating it if absent*

Description

Get a leanknit session, creating it if absent

Usage

```
leanknit_get_session(name)
```

Arguments

name	Session name.
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Value

The session environment, invisibly.

leanknit_list_sessions
List active leanknit sessions

Description

List active leanknit sessions

Usage

```
leanknit_list_sessions()
```

Value

A data frame of session names, accumulated chunk counts, and which session is active.

`leanknit_start_session`

Start (or reset) a leanknit session

Description

Start (or reset) a leanknit session

Usage

`leanknit_start_session(name)`

Arguments

name Session name.

Value

The session environment, invisibly.

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