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addVisiumSpotPoly *Add Visium spot polygons to colGeometry*

Description

For adding the spot polygons to SFE objects converted from SPE.

Usage

```
addVisiumSpotPoly(x, spotDiameter)
```

Arguments

x	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
spotDiameter	Spot diameter for technologies with arrays of spots of fixed diameter per slide, such as Visium, ST, DBiT-seq, and slide-seq. The diameter must be in the same unit as the coordinates in the *Geometry arguments. Ignored for geometries that are not POINT or MULTIPOINT.

Value

A SFE object with a new colGeometry called spotPoly, which has polygons of the spots.

Examples

```
library(SpatialExperiment)
example(read10xVisium)
# There can't be suplicate barcodes
colnames(spe) <- make.unique(colnames(spe), sep = "-")
rownames(spatialCoords(spe)) <- colnames(spe)
sfe <- toSpatialFeatureExperiment(spe)
# A hypothetical spot diameter; check the scalefactors_json.json file for
# actual diameter in pixels in full resolution image.
sfe <- addVisiumSpotPoly(sfe, spotDiameter = 80)
```

annotGeometries *Annotation geometry methods*

Description

"Annotation geometry" refers to Simple Feature (sf) geometries NOT associated with rows (features, genes) or columns (cells or spots) of the gene count matrix in the SpatialFeatureExperiment object. So there can be any number of rows in the sf data frame specifying the geometry. Examples of such geometries are tissue boundaries, pathologist annotation of histological regions, and objects not characterized by columns of the gene count matrix (e.g. nuclei segmentation in a Visium dataset where the columns are Visium spots). This page documents getters and setters for the annotation geometries. Internally, annotation geometries are stored in int_metadata.

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
annotGeometries(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
annotGeometries(x, translate = TRUE, ...) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
annotGeometryNames(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
annotGeometryNames(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL, translate = TRUE, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
annotGeometry(x, type, sample_id = NULL, translate = TRUE, ...) <- value

tissueBoundary(x, sample_id = NULL)

tissueBoundary(x, sample_id = NULL, translate = TRUE, ...) <- value

```

Arguments

x	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
translate	Logical. Only used if removeEmptySpace has been run of the SFE object. If that's the case, this argument indicates whether the new value to be assigned to the geometry is in the coordinates prior to removal of empty space so it should be translated to match the new coordinates after removing empty space. Default to TRUE.
...	spatialCoordsNames, spotDiameter, geometryType passed to df2sf . Defaults are the same as in df2sf . For dimGeometries<- only: geometryType can be a character vector of the geometry type of each data frame in the list of the same length as the list if the data frames specify different types of geometries.

value	Value to set. For <code>annotGeometry</code> , must be a <code>sf</code> data frame, or an ordinary data frame that can be converted to a <code>sf</code> data frame (see df2sf). For <code>annotGeometries</code> , must be a list of such <code>sf</code> or ordinary data frames. There must be a column <code>sample_id</code> to indicate the sample the geometries are for, and the <code>sample_id</code> must also appear in <code>colData</code> .
type	An integer specifying the index or string specifying the name of the <code>*Geometry</code> to query or replace. If missing, then the first item in the <code>*Geometries</code> will be returned or replaced.
sample_id	Sample ID to get or set geometries.

Details

Wrapper for getter and setter of special geometry:

tisseuBoundary Boundary of the tissue of interest, including holes. This is usually of geometry type MULTIPOLYGON, though geometries in `annotGeometries` can have any type supported by `sf`.

Value

Getters for multiple geometries return a named list. Getters for names return a character vector of the names. Getters for single geometries return an `sf` data frame. Setters return an SFE object.

Examples

```
# Example dataset
library(SFEData)
sfe_small <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")

# Get all annotation geometries, returning a named list
annotGeometries(sfe_small)

# Set all annotation geometries, in a named list
toy <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/sfe_toy.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
ag <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/ag.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
annotGeometries(toy) <- list(hull = ag)

# Get names of annotation geometries
annotGeometryNames(sfe_small)

# Set names of annotation geometries
annotGeometryNames(toy) <- "foo"

# Get a specific annotation geometry by name
# sample_id is optional when there is only one sample present
nuclei <- annotGeometry(sfe_small, type = "nuclei", sample_id = "Vis5A")
```

```

# Get a specific annotation geometry by index
tb <- annotGeometry(sfe_small, type = 1L)

# Set a specific annotation geometry
annotGeometry(sfe_small, type = "nuclei2") <- nuclei

# Special convenience function for tissue boundaries
# Getter
tb <- tissueBoundary(sfe_small, sample_id = "Vis5A")
# Setter
tissueBoundary(sfe_small, sample_id = "Vis5A") <- tb

```

annotOp

Binary operations for geometry of each cell/spot and annotation

Description

Just like [annotPred](#), but performs the operation rather than predicate. For example, this function would return the geometry of the intersections between each Visium spot and the tissue boundary for each sample, rather than whether each Visium spot intersects the tissue boundary. In case one cell/spot gets broken up into multiple geometries, the union of those geometries will be taken, so each cell/spot will only get one geometry.

Usage

```

annotOp(
  sfe,
  colGeometryName = 1L,
  annotGeometryName = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  op = st_intersection
)

```

Arguments

sfe	An SFE object.
colGeometryName	Name of column geometry for the predicate.
annotGeometryName	Name of annotation geometry for the predicate.
sample_id	Which sample(s) to operate on. Can be "all" to indicate all samples.
op	A binary operation function for the geometries. Defaults to st_intersection .

Value

A sf data frame with geometry column containing the geometries and corresponding column names of sfe as row names. There is no guarantee that the returned geometries are valid or preserve the geometry class (e.g. when the intersection of polygons result into a line of a point).

See Also

annotPred

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
# Get the intersection of myofibers with each Visium spot
myofibers_on_spots <- annotOp(sfe, "spotPoly",
  annotGeometryName = "myofiber_simplified"
)
```

annotPred

*Binary predicates for geometry of each cell/spot and annotation***Description**

This function finds binary predicates for the geometry of each cell/spot (i.e. colGeometry) and an annotation geometry for each sample. For example, whether each Visium spot intersects with the tissue boundary in each sample.

Usage

```
annotPred(
  sfe,
  colGeometryName = 1L,
  annotGeometryName = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  pred = st_intersects
)
```

```
annotNPred(
  sfe,
  colGeometryName = 1L,
  annotGeometryName = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  pred = st_intersects
)
```

Arguments

sfe	An SFE object.
colGeometryName	Name of column geometry for the predicate.
annotGeometryName	Name of annotation geometry for the predicate.
sample_id	Which sample(s) to operate on. Can be "all" to indicate all samples.
pred	Predicate function to use, defaults to st_intersects .

Value

For `annotPred`, a logical vector of the same length as the number of columns in the sample(s) of interest, with barcodes (or corresponding column names of `sfe`) as names. For `annotNPred`, a numeric vector of the same length as the number of columns in the sample(s) of interest with barcodes as names, indicating the number of geometries in the `annotGeometry` of interest returns TRUE for the predicate for each each geometry in the `colGeometry` of interest.

See Also

`annotOp`

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
# Whether each spot is in tissue
in_tissue <- annotPred(sfe, "spotPoly", annotGeometryName = "tissueBoundary")
# How many nuclei are there in each Visium spot
n_nuclei <- annotNPred(sfe, "spotPoly", annotGeometryName = "nuclei")
```

`annotSummary`

Summarize attributes of an `annotGeometry` for each cell/spot

Description

In SFE objects, the annotation geometries don't have to correspond to the dimensions of the gene count matrix, so there generally is no one to one mapping between annotation geometries and cells/spots. However, it may be interesting to relate attributes of annotation geometries to cell/spots so the attributes can be related to gene expression. This function summarizes attributes of an `annotGeometry` for each cell/spot by a geometric predicate with a `colGeometry`.

Usage

```
annotSummary(  
  sfe,  
  colGeometryName = 1L,  
  annotGeometryName = 1L,  
  annotColNames = 1L,  
  sample_id = NULL,  
  pred = st_intersects,  
  summary_fun = mean  
)
```


Arguments

sfe	An SFE object.
colGeometryName	Name of column geometry for the predicate.
annotGeometryName	Name of annotation geometry for the predicate.
annotColNames	Character, column names of the annotGeometry of interest, to indicate the columns to summarize. Columns that are absent from the annotGeometry are removed. The column cannot be "geometry" or "barcode".
sample_id	Which sample(s) to operate on. Can be "all" to indicate all samples.
pred	Predicate function to use, defaults to st_intersects .
summary_fun	Function for the summary, defaults to mean.

Value

A data frame whose row names are the relevant column names of sfe, and each column of which is the summary of each column specified in annotColName.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
s <- annotSummary(sfe, "spotPoly", "myofiber_simplified",
  annotColNames = c("area", "convexity")
)
```

bbox,SpatialFeatureExperiment-method

Find bounding box of SFE objects

Description

Find bounding box of the union of all colGeometries and annotGeometries of each sample in the SFE object. This can be used to remove empty space so the tissue and geometries have one corner at the origin so all samples will be on comparable coordinates.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
bbox(sfe, sample_id = NULL)
```

Arguments

sfe	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
sample_id	Sample(s) whose bounding box(es) to find. The bounding box would be for the union of all colGeometries and annotGeometries associated with each sample.

Value

For one sample, then a named vector with names `xmin`, `ymin`, `xmax`, and `ymax` specifying the bounding box. For multiple samples, then a matrix whose columns are samples and whose rows delineate the bounding box.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
bbox(sfe, sample_id = "Vis5A")
```

cbind,SpatialFeatureExperiment-method

Concatenate SpatialFeatureExperiment objects

Description

On top of the `cbind` method of `SpatialExperiment`, this method is needed to properly merge the `spatialGraphs` field in the different SFE objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
cbind(..., deparse.level = 1)
```

Arguments

... SFE objects to `cbind`.
`deparse.level` See [?`rbind`](#).

Value

A combined SFE object.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe_small <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
sfe_small2 <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small2")
sfe2 <- cbind(sfe_small, sfe_small2)
```

changeSampleIDs	<i>Change sample IDs</i>
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Description

Change sample IDs in all fields of the SFE object where sample IDs are present, not just the colData.

Usage

```
changeSampleIDs(sfe, replacement)
```

Arguments

sfe	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
replacement	A named character vector whose names are the existing sample IDs to be changed and whose values are the corresponding replacements.

Value

An SFE object.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
sfe <- changeSampleIDs(sfe, c(Vis5A = "sample01"))
sampleIDs(sfe)
```

crop	<i>Crop an SFE object with a geometry</i>
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Description

Returns an SFE object whose specified colGeometry returns TRUE with a geometric predicate function (usually intersects) with another geometry of interest. This can be used to subset an SFE object with a tissue boundary or histological region polygon, or crop away empty spaces. After cropping, not only will the cells/spots be subsetted, but also all geometries will be cropped.

Usage

```

crop(
  x,
  y = NULL,
  colGeometryName = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  pred = st_intersects,
  op = st_intersection,
  xmin = NULL,
  xmax = NULL,
  ymin = NULL,
  ymax = NULL
)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An SFE object.
<code>y</code>	An object of class <code>sf</code> , <code>sfg</code> , or <code>sfc</code> with which to crop the SFE object. Optional if <code>xmin</code> , <code>xmax</code> , <code>ymin</code> , and <code>ymax</code> are specified for a bounding box.
<code>colGeometryName</code>	Column geometry to used to indicate which cells/spots to keep.
<code>sample_id</code>	Samples to crop. Optional when only one sample is present. Can be multiple samples, or "all", which means all samples. For multiple samples, <code>y</code> may have column <code>sample_id</code> indicating which geometry subsets which sample. Only samples included in the <code>sample_id</code> column are subsetted. If there is no <code>sample_id</code> column or <code>y</code> is not specified, then the same geometry or bounding box is used to subset all samples specified in the <code>sample_id</code> argument.
<code>pred</code>	A geometric binary predicate function to indicate which cells/spots to keep, defaults to <code>st_intersects</code> .
<code>op</code>	A geometric operation function to crop the geometries in the SFE object. Defaults to <code>st_intersection</code> .
<code>xmin</code>	Minimum x coordinate of bounding box. Ignored if <code>y</code> is specified.
<code>xmax</code>	Maximum x coordinate of bounding box.
<code>ymin</code>	Minimum y coordinate of bounding box.
<code>ymax</code>	Maximum y coordinate of bounding box.

Value

An SFE object. There is no guarantee that the geometries after cropping are still all valid or preserve the original geometry class.

Note

In this version, this function does NOT crop the image.

Examples

```

library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
# Subset sfe to only keep spots on tissue
sfe_on_tissue <- crop(sfe, tissueBoundary(sfe),
  colGeometryName = "spotPoly",
  sample_id = "Vis5A"
)
# Subset sfe to only keep what's within a bounding box
# All geometries will be cropped
# sample_id is optional when only one sample is present
sfe_cropped <- crop(sfe,
  colGeometryName = "spotPoly",
  xmin = 5500, xmax = 6500, ymin = 13500, ymax = 14500
)

```

df2sf

From ordinary data frame to sf to construct SFE object

Description

While the `SpatialFeatureExperiment` constructor and `*Geometry` replacement methods can convert properly formatted ordinary data frames into `sf` objects which are used to store the geometries internally, the user might want to do the conversion, check if the geometry is valid, and inspect and fix any invalid geometries.

Usage

```

df2sf(
  df,
  spatialCoordsNames = c("x", "y"),
  spotDiameter = NA,
  geometryType = c("POINT", "LINESTRING", "POLYGON", "MULTIPOINT", "MULTILINESTRING",
    "MULTIPOLYGON"),
  BPPARAM = SerialParam()
)

```

Arguments

<code>df</code>	An ordinary data frame, i.e. not <code>sf</code> . Or a matrix that can be converted to a data frame.
<code>spatialCoordsNames</code>	Column names in <code>df</code> that specify spatial coordinates.
<code>spotDiameter</code>	Spot diameter for technologies with arrays of spots of fixed diameter per slide, such as Visium, ST, DBiT-seq, and slide-seq. The diameter must be in the same unit as the coordinates in the <code>*Geometry</code> arguments. Ignored for geometries that are not <code>POINT</code> or <code>MULTIPOINT</code> .

geometryType	Type of geometry to convert the ordinary data frame to. If the geometry in df is de facto points, then this argument will be ignored and the returned sf will have geometry type POINT. For any geometry type where one geometry is specified by multiple coordinates, the data frame df must have a column "ID" specifying which coordinate belongs to which geometry. For MULTI* geometries, there must be a "group" column specifying which coordinates for which MULTI geometry.
BPPARAM	An optional BiocParallelParam instance, passed to df2sf to parallelize the conversion of data frames with coordinates to sf geometries.

Value

An sf object.

Examples

```
# Points, use spotDiameter to convert to circle polygons
# This is done to Visium spots
pts_df <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/pts_df.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
sf_use <- df2sf(pts_df, geometryType = "POINT", spotDiameter = 0.1)
# Linestring
ls_df <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/ls_df.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
sf_use <- df2sf(ls_df, geometryType = "LINESTRING")
# Polygon
pol_df <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/pol_df.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
sf_use <- df2sf(pol_df,
  geometryType = "POLYGON",
  spatialCoordsNames = c("V1", "V2")
)
# Multipolygon
mpol_df <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/mpol_df.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
sf_use <- df2sf(mpol_df,
  geometryType = "MULTIPOLYGON",
  spatialCoordsNames = c("V1", "V2")
)
# Multiple sample_ids present
multipts_df <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/multipts_df.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
sf_use <- df2sf(multipts_df, geometryType = "MULTIPOINT")
```

dimGeometries *Dimension geometry methods*

Description

"Dimension geometry" refers to Simple Feature (sf) geometries associated with rows (features, genes) or columns (cells or spots) of the gene count matrix in the SpatialFeatureExperiment object. For each dimension, the number of rows in the sf data frame specifying the geometries must match the size of the dimension of interest. For example, there must be the same number of rows in the sf data frame describing cells as there are cells in the gene count matrix. This page documents getters and setters for the dimension geometries. The getters and setters are implemented in a way similar to those of reducedDims in SingleCellExperiment.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
dimGeometries(x, MARGIN = 2, withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
dimGeometries(x, MARGIN, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE, ...) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
dimGeometryNames(x, MARGIN)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,character'
dimGeometryNames(x, MARGIN) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'
dimGeometry(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
dimGeometry(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
dimGeometry(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'
dimGeometry(
  x,
  type,
  MARGIN,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  translate = TRUE,
  ...
) <- value
```

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
dimGeometry(
  x,
  type,
  MARGIN,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  translate = TRUE,
  ...
) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
dimGeometry(
  x,
  type,
  MARGIN,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  translate = TRUE,
  ...
) <- value

colGeometry(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

colGeometry(
  x,
  type = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  translate = TRUE
) <- value

colGeometries(x, withDimnames = TRUE)

colGeometries(x, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

colGeometryNames(x)

colGeometryNames(x) <- value

rowGeometry(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

rowGeometry(
  x,
  type = 1L,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  translate = TRUE
```



```

) <- value

rowGeometries(x, withDimnames = TRUE)

rowGeometries(x, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

rowGeometryNames(x)

rowGeometryNames(x) <- value

spotPoly(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

spotPoly(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

centroids(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

centroids(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

ROIpoly(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

ROIpoly(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

cellSeg(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

cellSeg(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

nucSeg(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE)

nucSeg(x, sample_id = NULL, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

txSpots(x, withDimnames = TRUE)

txSpots(x, withDimnames = TRUE, translate = TRUE) <- value

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>SpatialFeatureExperiment</code> object.
<code>MARGIN</code>	As in <code>apply</code> . 1 stands for rows and 2 stands for columns.
<code>withDimnames</code>	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , then the <code>dimnames</code> (<code>colnames</code> or <code>rownames</code>) of the gene count matrix should correspond to row names of the <code>sf</code> data frames of interest.
<code>translate</code>	Logical. Only used if <code>removeEmptySpace</code> has been run of the <code>SFE</code> object. If that's the case, this argument indicates whether the new value to be assigned to the geometry is in the coordinates prior to removal of empty space so it should be translated to match the new coordinates after removing empty space. Default to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>...</code>	<code>spatialCoordsNames</code> , <code>spotDiameter</code> , <code>geometryType</code> passed to <code>df2sf</code> . Defaults are the same as in <code>df2sf</code> . For <code>dimGeometries<-</code> only: <code>geometryType</code> can be a character vector of the geometry type of each data frame in the list of

	the same length as the list if the data frames specify different types of geometries.
value	Value to set. For dimGeometry, must be a sf data frame with the same number of rows as size in the dimension of interest, or an ordinary data frame that can be converted to such a sf data frame (see df2sf). For dimGeometries, must be a list of such sf or ordinary data frames.
type	An integer specifying the index or string specifying the name of the *Geometry to query or replace. If missing, then the first item in the *Geometries will be returned or replaced.
sample_id	Sample ID to get or set geometries.

Details

These are convenience wrappers for getters and setters of special geometries:

colGeometry/ies dimGeometry/ies with MARGIN = 2, for geometries associated with columns of the gene count matrix (cells/Visium spots/samples).

rowGeometry/ies dimGeometry/ies with MARGIN = 1, for geometries associated with rows of the gene count matrix (genes/features).

spotPoly Polygons of spots from technologies such as Visium, ST, and slide-seq, which do not correspond to cells. Centroids of the polygons are stored in spatialCoords of the underlying SpatialExperiment object.

ROIpoly Polygons of regions of interest (ROIs) from technologies such as laser capture microdissection (LCM) and GeoMX DSP. These should correspond to columns of the gene count matrix.

cellSeg Cell segmentation polygons. If the columns of the gene count matrix are single cells, then this is stored in colGeometries. Otherwise, this is stored in [annotGeometries](#).

nucSeg Similar to cellSeg, but for nuclei rather than whole cell.

txSpots POINT or MULTIPOINT geometries of transcript spots of single molecular resolution technologies, stored in rowGeometries.

Value

Getters for multiple geometries return a named list. Getters for names return a character vector of the names. Getters for single geometries return an sf data frame. Setters return an SFE object.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")

# Get all column geometries as a named list
# Use MARGIN = 1 or rowGeometry/ies for rowGeometries
cgs <- dimGeometries(sfe, MARGIN = 2)
# Or equivalently
cgs <- colGeometries(sfe)
```

```

# Set all column geometries with a named list
dimGeometries(sfe, MARGIN = 2) <- cgs
# Or equivalently
colGeometries(sfe) <- cgs

# Get names of column geometries
cgns <- dimGeometryNames(sfe, MARGIN = 2)
cgns <- colGeometryNames(sfe)

# Set column geometry names
dimGeometryNames(sfe, MARGIN = 2) <- cgns
colGeometryNames(sfe) <- cgns

# Get a specific column geometry by name
spots <- dimGeometry(sfe, "spotPoly", MARGIN = 2)
spots <- colGeometry(sfe, "spotPoly")
# Or equivalently, the wrapper specifically for Visium spot polygons,
# for the name "spotPoly"
spots <- spotPoly(sfe)
# Other colGeometry wrappers for specific names:
# ROIpoly (for LCM and GeoMX DSP), cellSeg and nucSeg (for MERFISH; would
# query annotGeometries for Visium)
# rowGeometry wrappers for specific names: txSpots (MERFISH transcript spots)
# By index
spots <- colGeometry(sfe, 1L)

# Multiple samples, only get geometries for one sample
sfe2 <- McKellarMuscleData("small2")
sfe_combined <- cbind(sfe, sfe2)
spots1 <- colGeometry(sfe, "spotPoly", sample_id = "Vis5A")
spots2 <- spotPoly(sfe_combined, sample_id = "sample02")
# Get geometries for multiple samples
spots3 <- spotPoly(sfe_combined, sample_id = c("Vis5A", "sample02"))
# All samples
spots3 <- spotPoly(sfe_combined, sample_id = "all")

# Set specific column geometry by name
colGeometry(sfe, "foobar") <- spots
# Or use wrapper
spotPoly(sfe) <- spots
# Specify sample_id
colGeometry(sfe_combined, "foobar", sample_id = "Vis5A") <- spots1
# Only entries for the specified sample are set.
foobar <- colGeometry(sfe_combined, "foobar", sample_id = "sample02")

```

Description

This function wraps all spatial neighborhood graphs implemented in the package `spdep` for the `SpatialFeatureExperiment` (SFE) class, to find spatial neighborhood graphs for the entities represented by columns or rows of the gene count matrix in the SFE object or spatial entities in the `annotGeometries` field of the SFE object. Results are stored as `listw` objects in the `spatialGraphs` field of the SFE object, as `listw` is used in many methods that facilitate the spatial neighborhood graph in the `spdep`, `spatialreg`, and `adespatial`. The edge weights of the graph in the `listw` object are by default style `W` (see [nb2listw](#)) and the unweighted neighbor list is in the `neighbours` field of the `listw` object.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
findSpatialNeighbors(
  x,
  sample_id = "all",
  type = "spatialCoords",
  MARGIN = 2,
  method = c("tri2nb", "knearneigh", "dnearneigh", "gabrielneigh", "relativeneigh",
             "soi.graph", "poly2nb"),
  dist_type = c("none", "idw", "exp", "dpd"),
  glist = NULL,
  style = c("raw", "W", "B", "C", "U", "minmax", "S"),
  nn_method = c("bioc", "spdep"),
  alpha = 1,
  dmax = NULL,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
  BNPARAM = KmknnParam(),
  zero.policy = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
<code>sample_id</code>	Which sample(s) in the SFE object to use for the graph. Can also be "all", which means this function will compute the graph for all samples independently.
<code>type</code>	Name of the geometry associated with the <code>MARGIN</code> of interest for which to compute the graph.
<code>MARGIN</code>	Just like in apply , where 1 stands for row, 2 stands for column. Here, in addition, 3 stands for annotation, to query the annotGeometries , such as nuclei segmentation in a Visium data
<code>method</code>	Name of function in the package <code>spdep</code> to use to find the spatial neighborhood graph.
<code>dist_type</code>	Type of distance-based weight. "none" means not using distance-based weights; the edge weights of the spatial neighborhood graph will be entirely determined by the <code>style</code> argument. "idw" means inverse distance weighting. "exp" means

	exponential decay. "dpd" means double-power distance weights. See nb2listwdist for details.
glist	list of general weights corresponding to neighbours
style	style can take values "W", "B", "C", "U", "minmax" and "S"
nn_method	Method to find k nearest neighbors and distance based neighbors. Can be either "bioc" or "spdep". For "bioc", methods from BiocNeighbors are used. For "spdep", methods from the spdep package are used. The "bioc" option is more scalable to larger datasets and supports multithreading.
alpha	Only relevant when dist_type = "dpd".
dmax	Only relevant when dist_type = "dpd".
BPPARAM	A BiocParallelParam object for multithreading. Only used for k nearest neighbor and distance based neighbor with nn_method = "bioc".
BNPARAM	A BiocNeighborParam object specifying the algorithm to find k nearest neighbors and distance based neighbors with nn_method = "bioc". For distance based neighbors, only KmknnParam and VptreeParam are applicable.
zero.policy	default NULL, use global option value; if FALSE stop with error for any empty neighbour sets, if TRUE permit the weights list to be formed with zero-length weights vectors
...	Extra arguments passed to the spdep function stated in the method argument, such as k, use_kd_tree, d1, d2, nmult, sym, and quadsegs. Note that any arguments about using longitude and latitude, which are irrelevant, are ignored.

Value

For one sample, then a `listw` object representing the graph, with an attribute "method" recording the function used to build the graph, its arguments, and information about the geometry for which the graph was built. The attribute is used to reconstruct the graphs when the SFE object is subsetted since some nodes in the graph will no longer be present. If `sample_id = "all"` or has length > 1, then a named list of `listw` objects, whose names are the `sample_ids`. To add the list for multiple samples to a SFE object, specify the name argument in the [spatialGraphs](#) replacement method, so graph of the same name will be added to the SFE object for each sample.

Note

`style = "raw"` is only applicable when `dist_type` is not "none". If `dist_type = "none"` and `style = "raw"`, then style will default to "W". Using distance based weights does not supplant finding a spatial neighborhood graph. The spatial neighborhood graph is first found and then its edges weighted based on distance in this function.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
# sample_id is optional when only one sample is present
g <- findSpatialNeighbors(sfe, sample_id = "Vis5A")
attr(g, "method")
# Returns named list for multiple samples
```

```
sfe2 <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small2")
sfe_combined <- cbind(sfe, sfe2)
gs <- findSpatialNeighbors(sfe, sample_id = "all")
```

findVisiumGraph *Find spatial neighborhood graphs for Visium spots*

Description

Visium spots are arranged in a hexagonal grid. This function uses the known locations of the Visium barcodes to construct a neighborhood graph, so adjacent spots are connected by edges. Since the known rows and columns of the spots are used, the unit the spot centroid coordinates are in does not matter.

Usage

```
findVisiumGraph(x, sample_id = NULL, style = "W", zero.policy = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object with Visium data. Column names of the gene count matrix must be Visium barcodes, which may have a numeric suffix to distinguish between samples (e.g. "AAACAACGAATAGTTC-1").
sample_id	Which sample(s) in the SFE object to use for the graph. Can also be "all", which means this function will compute the graph for all samples independently.
style	style can take values "W", "B", "C", "U", "minmax" and "S"
zero.policy	default NULL, use global option value; if FALSE stop with error for any empty neighbour sets, if TRUE permit the weights list to be formed with zero-length weights vectors

Value

For one sample, then a listw object representing the graph, with an attribute "method" recording the function used to build the graph, its arguments, and information about the geometry for which the graph was built. The attribute is used to reconstruct the graphs when the SFE object is subsetted since some nodes in the graph will no longer be present. If sample_id = "all" or has length > 1, then a named list of listw objects, whose names are the sample_ids. To add the list for multiple samples to a SFE object, specify the name argument in the [spatialGraphs](#) replacement method, so graph of the same name will be added to the SFE object for each sample.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
g <- findVisiumGraph(sfe)
# For multiple samples, returns named list
sfe2 <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small2")
sfe_combined <- cbind(sfe, sfe2)
gs <- findVisiumGraph(sfe, sample_id = "all")
```

internal-Voyager	<i>Internal functions also used in Voyager</i>
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Description

Not meant for the user, but exporting to be used internally in Voyager. But one day I may clean these up and remove the internal note for people building on top of SFE.

Usage

```
.value2df(value, use_geometry, feature = NULL)

.check_features(x, features, colGeometryName = NULL, swap_rownames = NULL)

.warn_symbol_duplicate(x, symbols, swap_rownames = "symbol")

.symbol2id(x, features, swap_rownames)

.check_sample_id(x, sample_id, one = TRUE)

.rm_empty_geometries(g, MARGIN)
```

Value

Internal

localResults	<i>Organize results from local spatial statistics</i>
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Description

Local spatial statistics like local Moran's I, local Geary's C, Getis-Ord G_i^* , and geographically weighted summary statistics return values at each spatial location. Just like dimension reductions, these results are clearly associated with the broader SFE object, so they should have a place within the object. However, a separate field is needed because these analyses are conceptually distinct from dimension reduction. Also, each feature (e.g. gene) can have its own results with values at each location. The localResults field in the SFE object stores these results that has a value for each spatial location.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'
localResults(
  x,
  sample_id = NULL,
```

```
    name,
    features = NULL,
    colGeometryName = NULL,
    annotGeometryName = NULL,
    withDimnames = TRUE,
    ...
)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'
localResults(
  x,
  sample_id = NULL,
  name,
  features = NULL,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  ...
) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,ANY,character'
localResults(
  x,
  sample_id = NULL,
  name,
  features = NULL,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  swap_rownames = NULL,
  ...
)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,ANY,character'
localResults(
  x,
  sample_id = NULL,
  name,
  features = NULL,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  ...
) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
localResultNames(x)
```



```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'
localResultNames(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
localResultFeatures(
  x,
  type = 1L,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  swap_rownames = NULL
)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
localResultAttrs(
  x,
  type = 1L,
  feature,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  swap_rownames = NULL
)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'
localResult(
  x,
  type,
  feature,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  simplify = TRUE,
  swap_rownames = NULL
)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
localResult(
  x,
  type,
  feature,
  colGeometryName = NULL,
  annotGeometryName = NULL,
  sample_id = NULL,
  withDimnames = TRUE,
  simplify = TRUE,
  swap_rownames = NULL
)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'  
localResult(  
  x,  
  type,  
  feature,  
  colGeometryName = NULL,  
  annotGeometryName = NULL,  
  sample_id = NULL,  
  withDimnames = TRUE,  
  simplify = TRUE,  
  swap_rownames = NULL  
)  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing'  
localResult(  
  x,  
  type,  
  feature,  
  colGeometryName = NULL,  
  annotGeometryName = NULL,  
  sample_id = NULL,  
  withDimnames = TRUE  
) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'  
localResult(  
  x,  
  type,  
  feature,  
  colGeometryName = NULL,  
  annotGeometryName = NULL,  
  sample_id = NULL,  
  withDimnames = TRUE  
) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character'  
localResult(  
  x,  
  type,  
  feature,  
  colGeometryName = NULL,  
  annotGeometryName = NULL,  
  sample_id = NULL,  
  withDimnames = TRUE  
) <- value
```

Arguments

x A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.

sample_id	Sample ID to get or set geometries.
name	Name of the spatial method used, such as "localmoran".
features	Features whose local results to get or set, for localResults getter and setter for multiple features at a time.
colGeometryName	Which colGeometry to get or set local results.
annotGeometryName	Which annotGeometry to get or set local results.
withDimnames	Logical. If TRUE, then the dimnames (colnames or rownames) of the gene count matrix should correspond to row names of the sf data frames of interest.
...	Ignored
value	Values to set, should be either a matrix or a data frame.
swap_rownames	Name of a column in rowData to identify features instead of the row names of the SFE object. For example, if the row names of the SFE object are Ensembl IDs and gene symbols are in the "symbol" column in rowData, then putting "symbol" for this argument will use the gene symbols to identify which gene's local results to get or set.
type	Name or index of the spatial method used, such as "localmoran".
feature	Feature whose local results to get or set, for localResult getter and setter for one feature at a time.
simplify	Basically whether to return the content of the list rather than a list when the list only has one element, such as results for one type and one feature.

Value

localResults returns a named list each element of which is a set of local results of interest. localResult returns a matrix or a data frame, whichever the original is when it's set. localResultNames returns a character vector. Setters return an SFE object with the desired field set. For genes and colData columns, the local results are stored in the localResults field in int_colData, whereas for colGeometries and annotGeometries, the local results are stored as columns in the same sf data frames. localResultFeatures returns a character vector of names of features for which local results are available. localResultAttrs returns a character vector of the column names of the local results of one type for one feature. It returns NULL if the results are a vector.

Examples

```
# Toy example
sfe <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/sfe_toy.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
# localResults functions are written for organizing results from local
# spatial statistics (see the Voyager package). But for the examples here,
# random toy matrices are used. The real results are often matrices, with a
# matrix for each feature.
library(S4Vectors)
set.seed(29)
toy_res1 <- matrix(rnorm(10),
```

```

    nrow = 5, ncol = 2,
    dimnames = list(colnames(sfe), c("meow", "purr"))
  )
toy_res1b <- matrix(rgamma(10, shape = 2),
  nrow = 5, ncol = 2,
  dimnames = list(colnames(sfe), c("meow", "purr"))
)
toy_df1 <- DataFrame(gene1 = I(toy_res1), gene2 = I(toy_res1b))

toy_res2 <- matrix(rpois(10, lambda = 2),
  nrow = 5, ncol = 2,
  dimnames = list(colnames(sfe), c("sassy", "tortitude")))
)
toy_df2 <- DataFrame(gene1 = I(toy_res2))
# Set all local results
localResults(sfe) <- list(localmoran = toy_df1, Gistar = toy_df2)
# Get all local results
lrs <- localResults(sfe)

# Set results of the same type for multiple genes
localResults(sfe, name = "localmoran") <- toy_df1
# Can also use a list
localResults(sfe, name = "localmoran") <- as.list(toy_df1)
# Get results of the same type for multiple genes
lrs <- localResults(sfe, name = "localmoran", features = c("gene1", "gene2"))

# Set results for one type and one gene
localResult(sfe, "localmoran", feature = "gene1") <- toy_res1
# Get results for one type and one gene
lr <- localResult(sfe, "localmoran", feature = "gene1")

# Set results for a feature in colGeometries
cg_toy <- readRDS(system.file("extdata/cg_toy.rds",
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment"
))
colGeometry(sfe, "cg") <- cg_toy
localResult(sfe, "localmoran",
  feature = "gene1",
  colGeometryName = "cg"
) <- toy_res1
# Get results for a feature in colGeometries
lr <- localResult(sfe, "localmoran", "gene1", colGeometryName = "cg")

```

read10xVisiumSFE

Read 10X Visium data as SpatialFeatureExperiment

Description

Read Space Ranger output as a `SpatialFeatureExperiment` object, where spots are represented with polygons in the `colGeometry` called "spotPoly". Other geometries can be added later after the

dataset is read. If data = "filtered", then spatial neighborhood graphs of the spots are also computed and stored in the colGraph called "visium" in all samples for downstream spatial analyses.

Usage

```
read10xVisiumSFE(
  samples = "",
  dirs = file.path(samples, "outs"),
  sample_id = paste0("sample", sprintf("%02d", seq_along(samples))),
  type = c("HDF5", "sparse"),
  data = c("filtered", "raw"),
  images = c("lowres", "hires"),
  unit = c("full_res_image_pixel", "micron"),
  style = "W",
  zero.policy = NULL,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
  load = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

samples	a character vector specifying one or more directories, each corresponding to a 10x Genomics Visium sample (see Details); if provided, names will be used as sample identifiers
dirs	Directory for each sample that contains the spatial and raw/filtered_features_bc_matrix directories. By default, the outs directory under the directory specified in the samples argument, as in Space Ranger output. Change the dirs argument if you have moved or renamed the output directory.
sample_id	character string specifying unique sample identifiers, one for each directory specified via samples; ignored if !is.null(names(samples))
type	Either "HDF5", and the matrix will be represented as TENSEMatrix, or "sparse", and the matrix will be read as dgCMatrix.
data	character string specifying whether to read in filtered (spots mapped to tissue) or raw data (all spots).
images	character vector specifying which images to include. Valid values are "lowres", "hires", "fullres", "detected", "aligned"
unit	Whether to use pixels in full resolution image or microns as the unit. If using microns, then spacing between spots in pixels will be used to convert the coordinates into microns, as the spacing is known to be 100 microns. This is used to plot scale bar.
style	style can take values "W", "B", "C", "U", "minmax" and "S"
zero.policy	default NULL, use global option value; if FALSE stop with error for any empty neighbour sets, if TRUE permit the weights list to be formed with zero-length weights vectors
BPPARAM	An optional BiocParallelParam instance, passed to df2sf to parallelize the conversion of data frames with coordinates to sf geometries.
load	Not used, kept for backward compatibility.

Value

A `SpatialFeatureExperiment` object. The images might need to be manually transposed and/or mirrored to match the spots in this version of this package.

Note

The `as(<dgTMatrix>, "dgCMatrix")` is deprecated warning comes from the `DropletUtils` package which is used by `SpatialExperiment` to read 10X outputs. This will be fixed when `SpatialExperiment` switches to `TENxIO`.

It is assumed that the images have not been cropped. Otherwise the images might not align with the spots.

Examples

```
dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment")

sample_ids <- c("sample01", "sample02")
samples <- file.path(dir, sample_ids)

list.files(samples[1])
list.files(file.path(samples[1], "spatial"))
(sfe <- read10xVisiumSFE(samples, sample_id = sample_ids,
  type = "sparse", data = "filtered",
  load = FALSE
))
```

readVizgen

Read Vizgen MERFISH output as SpatialFeatureExperiment

Description

This function reads the standard Vizgen MERFISH output into an SFE object. The coordinates are in microns. Cell centroids are read into `colGeometry` "centroids", and cell segmentations are read into `colGeometry` "cellSeg". The image(s) (polyT and DAPI) are also read as `SpatRaster` objects so they are not loaded into memory unless necessary. Because the image's origin is the top left while the geometry's origin is bottom left, either the image or the geometry needs to be flipped. Because the image accompanying MERFISH datasets are usually very large, the coordinates will be flipped so the flipping operation won't load the entire image into memory.

Usage

```
readVizgen(
  data_dir,
  z = 3L,
  use_cellpose = TRUE,
  sample_id = "sample01",
  min_area = 15,
```

```

    image = c("DAPI", "PolyT"),
    flip = c("geometry", "image", "none"),
    max_flip = "50 MB",
    BPPARAM = SerialParam()
  )

```

Arguments

data_dir	Top level directory of Vizgen output, which contains directories cell_boundaries and images, and files cell_by_gene.csv, cell_metadata.csv, and detected_transcripts.csv.
z	Index of z plane to read.
use_cellpose	Logical, whether to use Cellpose parquet files if present.
sample_id	A character sample identifier, which matches the sample_id in <code>imgData</code> . The sample_id will also be stored in a new column in <code>colData</code> , if not already present. Default = sample01.
min_area	Minimum cell area in square microns. Anything smaller will be considered artifact or debris and removed.
image	Which image(s) to load, can be "DAPI", "PolyT", or both.
flip	To flip the image, geometry coordinates, or none. Because the image has the origin at the top left while the geometry has origin at the bottom left, one of them needs to be flipped for them to match. If one of them is already flipped, then use "none". The image will not be flipped if it's GeoTIFF.
max_flip	Maximum size of the image allowed to flip the image. Because the image will be loaded into memory to be flipped. If the image is larger than this size then the coordinates will be flipped instead.
BPPARAM	A <code>BiocParallelParam</code> object specifying parallel processing backend and number of threads to use to load cell segmentation from HDF5 files from different fields of view (FOVs) with multiple cores. A progress bar can be configured in the <code>BiocParallelParam</code> object. When there are numerous FOVs, reading in the geometries can be time consuming, so we recommend using a server and larger number of threads. This argument is not used if <code>use_cellpose = TRUE</code> and the parquet file is present.

Value

A `SpatialFeatureExperiment` object.

Examples

```

dir_use <- system.file("extdata/vizgen", package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment")
sfe <- readVizgen(dir_use, z = 0L, use_cellpose = TRUE, image = "PolyT",
flip = "geometry")

```

reexports	<i>Objects exported from other packages</i>
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Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

SpatialExperiment [getImg](#), [imgData](#), [spatialCoords](#), [spatialCoords<-](#), [spatialCoordsNames](#)

SummarizedExperiment [colData](#), [colData<-](#), [rowData](#)

removeEmptySpace	<i>Remove empty space</i>
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Description

For each sample independently, all geometries and `spatialCoords` are translated so the origin is at the minimum coordinates of the bounding box of all geometries of the sample. This way coordinates of different samples will be more comparable.

Usage

```
removeEmptySpace(sfe, sample_id = "all")
```

Arguments

<code>sfe</code>	An SFE object.
<code>sample_id</code>	Sample to remove empty space.

Value

An SFE object with empty space removed.

Note

Unlike other functions in this package, this function operates on all samples by default.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
library(SingleCellExperiment)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("full")
# Only keep spots on tissue
sfe <- sfe[, colData(sfe)$in_tissue]
# Move the coordinates of the tissue
sfe <- removeEmptySpace(sfe)
```

sampleIDs	<i>Get all unique sample IDs</i>
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Description

The title is self-explanatory.

Usage

```
sampleIDs(sfe)
```

Arguments

sfe A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.

Value

A character vector of all unique entries of the sample_id column in colData(x).

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
sampleIDs(sfe)
```

saveRDS, SpatialFeatureExperiment-method	<i>Save SpatialFeatureExperiment as RDS file</i>
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Description

Saving SFE objects as RDS files is complicated by the SpatRaster class of the images. If present, the images need to be wrapped with the `wrap` function in `terra` before serializing the SFE object. Otherwise the images will be invalid pointers when the RDS is reloaded. If the image does not fit in memory and its file source is unknown, then it will be written to a temporary file, which is reloaded when the RDS file is loaded. When an SFE object with images is read from an RDS file, the images will not be unwrapped until necessary.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
saveRDS(
  object,
  file = "",
  ascii = FALSE,
  version = NULL,
```

```

    compress = TRUE,
    rehook = NULL
  )

```

Arguments

object	A <code>SpatialFeatureExperiment</code> object.
file	a connection or the name of the file where the R object is saved to or read from.
ascii	a logical. If TRUE or NA, an ASCII representation is written; otherwise (default), a binary one is used. See the comments in the help for save .
version	the workspace format version to use. NULL specifies the current default version (3). The only other supported value is 2, the default from R 1.4.0 to R 3.5.0.
compress	a logical specifying whether saving to a named file is to use "gzip" compression, or one of "gzip", "bzip2" or "xz" to indicate the type of compression to be used. Ignored if file is a connection.
rehook	a hook function for handling reference objects.

Value

Invisibly NULL.

Examples

```

outdir <- system.file("extdata", package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment")
samples <- file.path(outdir, paste0("sample0", 1:2))
sfe <- read10xVisiumSFE(samples, type = "sparse", data = "filtered")
saveRDS(sfe, "foo.rds")

```

SFE-image

Images in SpatialFeatureExperiment object

Description

`SpatialFeatureExperiment` and the `Voyager` package work with images differently from `SpatialExperiment`. In `SFE` and `Voyager`'s, plotting functions for `SFE` objects, the images are read with [rast](#) and represented as `SpatRaster`, so the image is not entirely loaded into memory unless necessary. Plotting will not load a large image into memory; rather the image will be downsampled and the downsampled version is plotted.

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
addImg(x, file, sample_id, image_id, extent = NULL, scale_fct = 1)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatRasterImage'

```

```

transposeImg(x)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatRasterImage'
mirrorImg(x, direction = "vertical")

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
transposeImg(x, sample_id = NULL, image_id = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
mirrorImg(x, sample_id = NULL, image_id = NULL, direction = "vertical")

## S4 method for signature 'SpatRasterImage'
imgRaster(x)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatRasterImage'
imgSource(x)

```

Arguments

x	SpatRaster or SpatVector
file	File from which to read the image.
sample_id	Which sample the image is associated with. Use sampleIDs to get sample IDs present in the SFE object.
image_id	Image ID, such as "lowres" and "hires" for Visium data and "DAPI" and "PolyT" for Vizgen MERFISH data.
extent	A numeric vector of length 4 with names of the set xmin, ymin, xmax, and ymax, specifying the extent of the image.
scale_fct	Scale factor – multiply pixel coordinates in full resolution image by this scale factor should yield pixel coordinates in a different resolution. extent takes precedence over scale_fct.
direction	character. Should (partially) match "vertical" to flip by rows, or "horizontal" to flip by columns

Value

Methods for SpatRasterImage return a modified SpatRasterImage, and methods for SFE return a modified SFE object.

Note

If the image is already a GeoTIFF file that already has an extent, then the extent associated with the file will be honored and the extent and scale_fct arguments are ignored. Also, when the image is transposed, it is flipped about the axis going from top left to bottom right.

Examples

```

library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")

```

```
img_path <- system.file(file.path("extdata", "sample01", "outs", "spatial",
  "tissue_lowres_image.png"),
  package = "SpatialFeatureExperiment")
sfe <- addImg(sfe, img_path, sample_id = "Vis5A", image_id = "lowres",
  scale_fct = 0.023)
img <- getImg(sfe)
# SpatRasterImage method
img_t <- transposeImg(img)
# SFE method
sfe <- transposeImg(sfe, sample_id = "Vis5A", image_id = "lowres")
```

SFE-transform

Transpose or mirror SFE object in histological space

Description

When images are present, transpose means switching rows and columns of the image (flipping about the axis from top left to bottom right) and geometries are transformed to match. When images are absent, transpose means switching x and y coordinates of the geometries. Mirroring means flipping either x or y coordinates, in histological space. When images are present, the geometries are flipped about the middle of the image. When images are absent, the geometries are flipped about the x or y axis. The transformation is applied to the geometries and the images, and can be applied to each sample independently.

Usage

```
transpose(sfe, sample_id = "all")
```

```
mirror(sfe, sample_id = "all", direction = c("vertical", "horizontal"))
```

Arguments

<code>sfe</code>	An SFE object.
<code>sample_id</code>	Sample(s) to transform.
<code>direction</code>	character. Should (partially) match "vertical" to flip by rows, or "horizontal" to flip by columns

Value

An SFE object with the sample(s) transformed.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
sfe2 <- transpose(sfe)
sfe3 <- mirror(sfe)
```

```
show,SpatialFeatureExperiment-method  
Print method for SpatialFeatureExperiment
```

Description

Printing summaries of colGeometries, rowGeometries, and annotGeometries in addition to what's shown for SpatialExperiment. Geometry names and types are printed.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'  
show(object)
```

Arguments

object A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.

Value

None (invisible NULL).

Examples

```
library(SFData)  
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")  
sfe # The show method is implicitly called
```

```
SpatialFeatureExperiment  
Constructor of SpatialFeatureExperiment object
```

Description

Create a SpatialFeatureExperiment object.

Usage

```
SpatialFeatureExperiment(  
  assays,  
  colData = DataFrame(),  
  rowData = NULL,  
  sample_id = "sample01",  
  spatialCoordsNames = c("x", "y"),  
  spatialCoords = NULL,  
  colGeometries = NULL,
```

```

rowGeometries = NULL,
annotGeometries = NULL,
spotDiameter = NA_real_,
annotGeometryType = "POLYGON",
spatialGraphs = NULL,
unit = c("full_res_image_pixel", "micron"),
BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
...
)

```

Arguments

- assays** A list or SimpleList of matrix-like elements, or a matrix-like object (e.g. an ordinary matrix, a data frame, a [DataFrame](#) object from the **S4Vectors** package, a [sparseMatrix](#) derivative from the **Matrix** package, a [DelayedMatrix](#) object from the **DelayedArray** package, etc...). All elements of the list must have the same dimensions, and dimension names (if present) must be consistent across elements and with the row names of rowRanges and colData.
- colData** An optional [DataFrame](#) describing the samples. Row names, if present, become the column names of the RangedSummarizedExperiment.
- rowData** A [DataFrame](#) object describing the rows. Row names, if present, become the row names of the SummarizedExperiment object. The number of rows of the [DataFrame](#) must equal the number of rows of the matrices in assays.
- sample_id** A character sample identifier, which matches the sample_id in [imgData](#). The sample_id will also be stored in a new column in [colData](#), if not already present. Default = sample01.
- spatialCoordsNames** A character vector of column names if *Geometries arguments have ordinary data frames, to identify the columns in the ordinary data frames that specify the spatial coordinates. If colGeometries is not specified, then this argument will behave as in [SpatialExperiment](#), but colGeometries will be given precedence if provided.
- spatialCoords** A numeric matrix containing columns of spatial coordinates, as in [SpatialExperiment](#). The coordinates are centroids of the entities represented by the columns of the gene count matrix. If colGeometries is also specified, then it will be given priority and a warning is issued. Otherwise, the sf representation of the centroids will be stored in the colGeometry called centroids.
- colGeometries** Geometry of the entities that correspond to the columns of the gene count matrix, such as cells and Visium spots. It must be a named list of one of the following:
An sf data frame The geometry column specifies the geometry of the entities.
An ordinary data frame specifying centroids Column names for the coordinates are specified in the spatialCoordsNames argument. For Visium and ST, in addition to the centroid coordinate data frame, the spot diameter in the same unit as the coordinates can be specified in the spotDiameter argument.
An ordinary data frame specifying polygons Also use spatialCoordsNames. There should an additional column "ID" to specify which vertices belong

to which polygon. The coordinates should not be in list columns. Rather, the data frame should look like it is passed to `ggplot2::geom_polygon`. If there are holes, then there must also be a column "subID" that differentiates between the outer polygon and the holes.

In all cases, the data frame should specify the same number of geometries as the number of columns in the gene count matrix. If the column "barcode" is present, then it will be matched to column names of the gene count matrix. Otherwise, the geometries are assumed to be in the same order as columns in the gene count matrix. If the geometries are specified in an ordinary data frame, then it will be converted into `sf` internally. Named list of data frames because each entity can have multiple geometries, such as whole cell and nuclei segmentations. The geometries are assumed to be POINTs for centroids and POLYGONs for segmentations. If polygons are specified in an ordinary data frame, then anything with fewer than 3 vertices will be removed. For anything other than POINTs, attributes of the geometry will be ignored.

<code>rowGeometries</code>	Geometry associated with genes or features, which correspond to rows of the gene count matrix.
<code>annotGeometries</code>	Geometry of entities that do not correspond to columns or rows of the gene count matrix, such as tissue boundary and pathologist annotations of histological regions, and nuclei segmentation in a Visium dataset. Also a named list as in <code>colGeometries</code> . The ordinary data frame may specify POINTs, POLYGONs, or LINESTRINGs, or their MULTI versions. Each data frame can only specify one type of geometry. For MULTI versions, there must be a column "group" to identify each MULTI geometry.
<code>spotDiameter</code>	Spot diameter for technologies with arrays of spots of fixed diameter per slide, such as Visium, ST, DBi-seq, and slide-seq. The diameter must be in the same unit as the coordinates in the <code>*Geometry</code> arguments. Ignored for geometries that are not POINT or MULTIPOINT.
<code>annotGeometryType</code>	Character vector specifying geometry type of each element of the list if <code>annotGeometry</code> is specified. Each element of the vector must be one of POINT, LINESTRING, POLYGON, MULTIPOINT, MULTILINESTRING, and MULTIPOLYGON. Must be either length 1 (same for all elements of the list) or the same length as the list. Ignored if the corresponding element is an <code>sf</code> object.
<code>spatialGraphs</code>	A named list of <code>listw</code> objects (see <code>spdep</code>) for spatial neighborhood graphs.
<code>unit</code>	Unit the coordinates are in, either microns or pixels in full resolution image.
<code>BPPARAM</code>	An optional <code>BiocParallelParam</code> instance, passed to <code>df2sf</code> to parallelize the conversion of data frames with coordinates to <code>sf</code> geometries.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to the <code>SpatialExperiment</code> and <code>SingleCellExperiment</code> constructors.

Value

A SFE object. If neither `colGeometries` nor `spotDiameter` is specified, then a `colGeometry` called "centroids" will be made, which is essentially the spatial coordinates as `sf` POINTs. If

spotDiameter is specified, but not colGeometries, then the spatial coordinates will be buffered by half the diameter to get spots with the desired diameter, and the resulting colGeometry will be called "spotPoly", for which there's a convenience getter and setter, [spotPoly](#).

Examples

```
library(Matrix)
data("visium_row_col")
coords1 <- visium_row_col[visium_row_col$col < 6 & visium_row_col$row < 6, ]
coords1$row <- coords1$row * sqrt(3)
cg <- df2sf(coords1[, c("col", "row")], c("col", "row"), spotDiameter = 0.7)

set.seed(29)
col_inds <- sample(seq_len(13), 13)
row_inds <- sample(seq_len(5), 13, replace = TRUE)
values <- sample(seq_len(5), 13, replace = TRUE)
mat <- sparseMatrix(i = row_inds, j = col_inds, x = values)
colnames(mat) <- coords1$barcode
rownames(mat) <- sample(LETTERS, 5)
rownames(cg) <- colnames(mat)

sfe <- SpatialFeatureExperiment(list(counts = mat),
  colData = coords1,
  spatialCoordsNames = c("col", "row"),
  spotDiameter = 0.7
)
sfe2 <- SpatialFeatureExperiment(list(counts = mat),
  colGeometries = list(foo = cg)
)
```

SpatialFeatureExperiment-class

The SpatialFeatureExperiment class

Description

This class inherits from the [SpatialExperiment](#) (SPE) class, which in turn inherits from [SingleCellExperiment](#) (SCE). `SpatialFeatureExperiment` stores geometries of spots or cells in `sf` objects which form columns of a `DataFrame` which is in turn a column of the `int_colData` `DataFrame` of the underlying SCE object, just like `reducedDim` in SCE. Geometries of the tissue outline, pathologist annotations, and objects (e.g. nuclei segmentation in a Visium dataset) are stored in `sf` objects in a named list called `annotGeometries` in `int_metadata`.

 SpatialFeatureExperiment-coercion

SpatialFeatureExperiment coercion methods

Description

The `SpatialFeatureExperiment` class inherits from `SpatialExperiment`, which in turn inherits from `SingleCellExperiment`. A `SpatialExperiment` object with geometries in `colGeometries` in the `int_colData`, `rowGeometries` in the `int_elementMetadata`, or `annotGeometries` in the `int_metadata` can be directly converted to `SpatialFeatureExperiment` with `as(spe, "SpatialFeatureExperiment")`. A `SpatialExperiment` object without the geometries can also be converted; the coordinates in the `spatialCoords` field will be used to make `POINT` geometries named "centroids" to add to `colGeometries`. The geometries can also be supplied separately when using `toSpatialFeatureExperiment`. Images are converted to `SpatRaster`.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialExperiment'
toSpatialFeatureExperiment(
  x,
  colGeometries = NULL,
  rowGeometries = NULL,
  annotGeometries = NULL,
  spatialCoordsNames = c("x", "y"),
  annotGeometryType = "POLYGON",
  spatialGraphs = NULL,
  spotDiameter = NA,
  unit = NULL,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam()
)

## S4 method for signature 'SingleCellExperiment'
toSpatialFeatureExperiment(
  x,
  sample_id = "sample01",
  spatialCoordsNames = c("x", "y"),
  spatialCoords = NULL,
  colGeometries = NULL,
  rowGeometries = NULL,
  annotGeometries = NULL,
  annotGeometryType = "POLYGON",
  spatialGraphs = NULL,
  spotDiameter = NA,
  scaleFactors = 1,
  imageSources = NULL,
  image_id = NULL,
  loadImage = TRUE,
```

```

imgData = NULL,
unit = NULL,
BPPARAM = SerialParam()
)

```

Arguments

- x** A `SpatialExperiment` object to be coerced to a `SpatialFeatureExperiment` object.
- colGeometries** Geometry of the entities that correspond to the columns of the gene count matrix, such as cells and Visium spots. It must be a named list of one of the following:
- An `sf` data frame** The geometry column specifies the geometry of the entities.
 - An ordinary data frame specifying centroids** Column names for the coordinates are specified in the `spatialCoordsNames` argument. For Visium and ST, in addition to the centroid coordinate data frame, the spot diameter in the same unit as the coordinates can be specified in the `spotDiameter` argument.
 - An ordinary data frame specifying polygons** Also use `spatialCoordsNames`. There should be an additional column "ID" to specify which vertices belong to which polygon. The coordinates should not be in list columns. Rather, the data frame should look like it is passed to `ggplot2::geom_polygon`. If there are holes, then there must also be a column "subID" that differentiates between the outer polygon and the holes.
- In all cases, the data frame should specify the same number of geometries as the number of columns in the gene count matrix. If the column "barcode" is present, then it will be matched to column names of the gene count matrix. Otherwise, the geometries are assumed to be in the same order as columns in the gene count matrix. If the geometries are specified in an ordinary data frame, then it will be converted into `sf` internally. Named list of data frames because each entity can have multiple geometries, such as whole cell and nuclei segmentations. The geometries are assumed to be POINTs for centroids and POLYGONs for segmentations. If polygons are specified in an ordinary data frame, then anything with fewer than 3 vertices will be removed. For anything other than POINTs, attributes of the geometry will be ignored.
- rowGeometries** Geometry associated with genes or features, which correspond to rows of the gene count matrix.
- annotGeometries** Geometry of entities that do not correspond to columns or rows of the gene count matrix, such as tissue boundary and pathologist annotations of histological regions, and nuclei segmentation in a Visium dataset. Also a named list as in `colGeometries`. The ordinary data frame may specify POINTs, POLYGONs, or LINESTRINGs, or their MULTI versions. Each data frame can only specify one type of geometry. For MULTI versions, there must be a column "group" to identify each MULTI geometry.
- spatialCoordsNames** A character vector of column names if `*Geometries` arguments have ordinary data frames, to identify the columns in the ordinary data frames that specify

the spatial coordinates. If `colGeometries` is not specified, then this argument will behave as in [SpatialExperiment](#), but `colGeometries` will be given precedence if provided.

<code>annotGeometryType</code>	Character vector specifying geometry type of each element of the list if <code>annotGeometry</code> is specified. Each element of the vector must be one of POINT, LINESTRING, POLYGON, MULTIPOINT, MULTILINESTRING, and MULTIPOLYGON. Must be either length 1 (same for all elements of the list) or the same length as the list. Ignored if the corresponding element is an <code>sf</code> object.
<code>spatialGraphs</code>	A named list of <code>listw</code> objects (see <code>spdep</code>) for spatial neighborhood graphs.
<code>spotDiameter</code>	Spot diameter for technologies with arrays of spots of fixed diameter per slide, such as Visium, ST, DBiT-seq, and slide-seq. The diameter must be in the same unit as the coordinates in the <code>*Geometry</code> arguments. Ignored for geometries that are not POINT or MULTIPOINT.
<code>unit</code>	Unit the coordinates are in, either microns or pixels in full resolution image.
<code>BPPARAM</code>	Passed to <code>df2sf</code> , to parallelize the conversion of centroid spatial coordinates in the SPE object to <code>sf</code> point geometry.
<code>sample_id</code>	A character sample identifier, which matches the <code>sample_id</code> in <code>imgData</code> . The <code>sample_id</code> will also be stored in a new column in <code>colData</code> , if not already present. Default = <code>sample01</code> .
<code>spatialCoords</code>	A numeric matrix containing columns of spatial coordinates, as in SpatialExperiment . The coordinates are centroids of the entities represented by the columns of the gene count matrix. If <code>colGeometries</code> is also specified, then it will be given priority and a warning is issued. Otherwise, the <code>sf</code> representation of the centroids will be stored in the <code>colGeometry</code> called <code>centroids</code> .
<code>scaleFactors</code>	Optional scale factors associated with the image(s). This can be provided as a numeric value, numeric vector, list, or file path to a JSON file for the 10x Genomics Visium platform. For 10x Genomics Visium, the correct scale factor will automatically be selected depending on the resolution of the image from <code>imageSources</code> . Default = 1.
<code>imageSources</code>	Optional file path(s) or URL(s) for one or more image sources.
<code>image_id</code>	Optional character vector (same length as <code>imageSources</code>) containing unique image identifiers.
<code>loadImage</code>	Logical indicating whether to load image into memory. Default = FALSE.
<code>imgData</code>	Optional <code>DataFrame</code> containing the image data. Alternatively, this can be built from the arguments <code>imageSources</code> and <code>image_id</code> (see Details).

Value

An SFE object

Examples

```
library(SpatialExperiment)
example(read10xVisium)
# There can't be duplicate barcodes
```

```
colnames(spe) <- make.unique(colnames(spe), sep = "-")
rownames(spatialCoords(spe)) <- colnames(spe)
sfe <- toSpatialFeatureExperiment(spe)
```

SpatialFeatureExperiment-subset

Subsetting SpatialFeatureExperiment objects

Description

The method for SFE reconstructs the spatial graphs when the SFE object is subsetted as the listw objects encodes the nodes with indices which are no longer valid after subsetting as some nodes are no longer present.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
<code>i</code>	Row indices for subsetting.
<code>j</code>	column indices for subsetting.
<code>...</code>	Passed to the SingleCellExperiment method of <code>[</code> .
<code>drop</code>	Logical. If FALSE, then a warning will be issued that the node indices in the graphs are no longer valid so the row and col graphs affected by subsetting are dropped. At present, this only works with the wrapper functions in this package that take in SFE objects and records the info required to reconstruct the graphs. While this argument is ignored for SummarizedExperiment

Value

A subsetted SpatialFeatureExperiment object.

Examples

```
# Just like subsetting matrices and SingleCellExperiment
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
sfe_subset <- sfe[seq_len(10), seq_len(10), drop = TRUE]
# Gives warning as graph reconstruction fails

sfe_subset <- sfe[seq_len(10), seq_len(10)]
```

spatialGraphs	<i>Spatial graph methods</i>
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Description

Spatial neighborhood graphs as `spdep`'s `listw` objects are stored in the `int_metadata` of the SFE object. The `listw` class is used because `spdep` has many useful methods that rely on the neighborhood graph as `listw`.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing,missing'
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,missing,missing'
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,character,missing'
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,character,missing'
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature
## 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,character,character'
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'  
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'  
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name)  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing,missing'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,missing,missing'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,`NULL`,missing'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,character,missing'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'  
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'  
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,missing'  
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,character,missing'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'  
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'  
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,missing'  
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature  
## 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,character,character'  
spatialGraphs(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'  
colGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'
```

```
rowGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,character'
annotGraphs(x, sample_id = NULL, name) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric'
spatialGraphNames(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,ANY,character'
spatialGraphNames(x, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL) <- value

colGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL)

rowGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL)

annotGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL)

colGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL) <- value

rowGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL) <- value

annotGraphNames(x, sample_id = NULL) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL)

colGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL)

rowGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL)

annotGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,missing,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,numeric,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment,character,numeric'
spatialGraph(x, type, MARGIN, sample_id = NULL) <- value

colGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL) <- value
```

```
rowGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL) <- value
```

```
annotGraph(x, type = 1L, sample_id = NULL) <- value
```

Arguments

x	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
MARGIN	As in apply . 1 stands for rows and 2 stands for columns. In addition, 3 stands for spatial neighborhood graphs that correspond to <code>annotGeometries</code> .
sample_id	Name of the sample the graph is associated with. This is useful when multiple pieces of tissues are in the same SFE object (say for a joint dimension reduction and clustering) and the spatial neighborhood is only meaningful within the same piece of tissue. See the <code>sample_id</code> argument in SpatialExperiment .
name	Name of the graphs to add to each <code>sample_id</code> ; used in the <code>spatialGraphs</code> replacement method as it must be character while <code>type</code> can be either an integer index or a name.
value	A listw object (<code>*Graph</code>), or a named list of list of listw objects (<code>*Graphs</code>) where the names of the top level list are <code>sample_ids</code> when adding graphs for all samples in the margin of interest, or a list of listw objects when adding graphs for one sample in one margin.
type	An integer specifying the index or string specifying the name of the <code>*Graph</code> to query or replace. If missing, then the first item in the <code>*Graph</code> will be returned or replaced.

Value

Getters for multiple graphs return a named list. Getters for names return a character vector of the names. Getters for single graphs return a listw object. Setters return an SFE object.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
g1 <- findVisiumGraph(sfe)
g2 <- findSpatialNeighbors(sfe)

# Set all graphs of a margin by a named list
spatialGraphs(sfe, MARGIN = 2L, sample_id = "Vis5A") <-
  list(tri2nb = g2, visium = g1)
# Or equivalently
colGraphs(sfe, sample_id = "Vis5A") <- list(tri2nb = g2, visium = g1)

# Get all graphs of a margin, returning a named list
gs <- spatialGraphs(sfe, MARGIN = 2L)
# Or equivalently
gs <- colGraphs(sfe)

# Set graph of the same name and same margin for multiple samples
```



```

# Each sample has a separate graph
sfe2 <- McKellarMuscleData("small2")
sfe_combined <- cbind(sfe, sfe2)
colGraphs(sfe_combined, name = "visium", sample_id = "all") <-
  findVisiumGraph(sfe_combined, sample_id = "all")

# Get graph names
spatialGraphNames(sfe, MARGIN = 2L, sample_id = "Vis5A")
# Or equivalently (sample_id optional as only one sample is present)
colGraphNames(sfe)

# Set graph names
spatialGraphNames(sfe, MARGIN = 2L) <- c("foo", "bar")
colGraphNames(sfe) <- c("tri2nb", "visium")

# MARGIN = 1 means rowGraphs; MARGIN = 3 means annotation graphs (annotGraphs)
# for both getters and setters

# Set single graph by
# Spatial graph for myofibers
g_myofiber <- findSpatialNeighbors(sfe,
  type = "myofiber_simplified",
  MARGIN = 3L
)
spatialGraph(sfe, type = "myofiber", MARGIN = 3L) <- g_myofiber
# Or equivalently
annotGraph(sfe, "myofiber") <- g_myofiber

# Get a specific graph by name
g <- spatialGraph(sfe, "myofiber", MARGIN = 3L)
g2 <- spatialGraph(sfe, "visium", MARGIN = 2L)
# Or equivalently
g <- annotGraph(sfe, "myofiber")
g2 <- colGraph(sfe, "visium")

```

st_any_pred

Simple geometry predicates

Description

Unlike functions in *sf* like `st_intersects`, this function simply returns a logical vector indicating whether each geometry in *x* intersects (or returns TRUE from other predicates) anything in *y*, preferably when *y* only contains a small number of geometries or is one single MULTI geometry. This is useful when cropping or subsetting an SFE object with a geometry, such as tissue boundary or histological region polygons or a bounding box.

Usage

```
st_any_pred(x, y, pred)
```

```
st_any_intersects(x, y)
```

```
st_n_pred(x, y, pred)
```

```
st_n_intersects(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	An object of class sf, sfc, or sfg.
y	Another object of class sf, sfc, or sfg.
pred	A geometric binary predicate function, such as st_intersects . It should return an object of class sgbp, for sparse predicates.

Value

For `st_any_*`, a logical vector indicating whether each geometry in `x` intersects (or other predicates such as is covered by) anything in `y`. Simplified from the `sgbp` results which indicate which item in `y` each item in `x` intersects, which might not always be relevant. For `st_n_*`, an integer vector indicating the number of geometries in `y` returns TRUE for each geometry in `x`.

Examples

```
library(sf)
pts <- st_sfc(
  st_point(c(.5, .5)), st_point(c(1.5, 1.5)),
  st_point(c(2.5, 2.5))
)
pol <- st_polygon(list(rbind(c(0, 0), c(2, 0), c(2, 2), c(0, 2), c(0, 0))))
st_any_pred(pts, pol, pred = st_disjoint)
st_any_intersects(pts, pol)
st_n_pred(pts, pol, pred = st_disjoint)
st_n_intersects(pts, pol)
```

```
unit,SpatialFeatureExperiment-method
```

Get unit of a SpatialFeatureExperiment

Description

Length units can be microns or pixels in full resolution image in SFE objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
unit(x)
```

Arguments

x	A SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
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Value

A string for the name of the unit. At present it's merely a string and `units` is not used.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData(dataset = "small")
unit(sfe)
```

updateObject

Update a SpatialFeatureExperiment object

Description

Update a [SpatialFeatureExperiment](#) to the latest version of object structure. This is usually called by internal functions.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialFeatureExperiment'
updateObject(object, ..., verbose = FALSE)

SFEVersion(object)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An old SpatialFeatureExperiment object.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments that are ignored.
<code>verbose</code>	Logical scalar indicating whether a message should be emitted as the object is updated.

Details

Version 1.1.4 adds package version to the SFE object. We are considering an overhaul of the `spatialGraphs` slot in a future version using the `sfdep` package to decouple the adjacency graph from the edge weights.

Value

An updated version of object.

See Also

[objectVersion](#), which is used to determine if the object is up-to-date.

Examples

```
library(SFEData)
sfe <- McKellarMuscleData("small")
# First version of SFE object doesn't log SFE package version, so should be NULL
SFEVersion(sfe)
sfe <- updateObject(sfe)
# See current version
SFEVersion(sfe)
```

visium_row_col

Row and columns of Visium barcodes on the slide

Description

From Space Ranger 1.3.1.

Usage

```
visium_row_col
```

Format

A data frame with 4992 rows with columns barcode, col, and row.

Source

Space Ranger 1.3.1

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