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bam2gr

Pre-process bam files

### Description

Reads a bam file using Rsamtools and extract the reads for each chromosome.

### Usage

```
bam2gr(bamFile, chr = NULL, PE = FALSE, verbose = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

bamFile A character. The name of the .bam file to read.

chr A character. An optional character string. If specified, only the selected chromosome will be returned. Speed up the computation.

PE A logical. Set to TRUE for paired-end sequencing data.

verbose A logical. Print additional information about the data.

#### Value

A GRanges of all the reads for each chromosome.

### Note

The user might encounter a memory allocation error when using bam files of bigger sizes. Splitting the file by chromosome before calling bam2gr will solve this issue.

For Paired-End data, non matched reads are discarded.

### See Also

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candidate.region *Identify candidate regions* 

### Description

Identify candidate regions from paired-end sequencing data.

### Usage

```
candidate.region(PE.RD, islandDepth, min_cut, max_cut)
```

### Arguments

PE.RD A character. File including sequenced pairs.

islandDepth A numeric. The minimum depth of candidate regions.

min\_cut A numeric. The minimum region length.

max\_cut A numeric. The maximum region length.

makeGRangesOutput

Export a PICS object to GRanges

#### **Description**

Export a PICS object to GRanges

### Usage

#### **Arguments**

obj A PICS object. The output of the PICS function. type A character. One of "fixed", "bed", "ci" or "wig".

length A numeric. The length of the region around the center (mu). Only used when

type = "fixed.

filter A list. Additional filtering options.

#### Value

A GRanges object.

#### See Also

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PICS

Estimation of binding site positions

#### **Description**

This object contains Estimation of binding site positions and has the following slots: segReadsList, dataType.

### Usage

```
PICS(
   segReadsList,
   dataType = NULL,
   paraEM = NULL,
   paraPrior = NULL,
   nCores = 1
)
```

### **Arguments**

segReadsList This object contains segmentation of Genome

dataType A character. The type of data you are processing: 'TF' for transcription factor.

paraEM A list of parameters for the EM algorithm as returned by the setParaEM func-

tion. The default parameters should be good enough for most usages.

paraPrior A list of parameters for the priors as returned by setParaPrior.

nCores An integer. The number of cores that should be used in parallel by the func-

tion.

#### Value

An object of class picsList containing the estimated binding site positions.

pics-class PICS class

### **Description**

This object is used to gather all parameters from fitting PICS to a single candidate region.

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

## S4 method for signature 'pics'
minRange(x)

## S4 method for signature 'pics'
```

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```
maxRange(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
score(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
scoreReverse(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
scoreForward(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
chromosome(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
se(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
seF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
seR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
sigmaSqF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
sigmaSqR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
delta(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
mu(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
w(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
code(x)
## S4 method for signature 'pics'
summary(object)
```

### **Arguments**

object, x A pics object.

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#### **Functions**

- show, pics-method: show method
- minRange, pics-method: Get start of range
- maxRange, pics-method: Get end of range
- score, pics-method: Score accessor.
- scoreReverse, pics-method: Reverse score accessor.
- scoreForward, pics-method: Forward score accessor.
- chromosome, pics-method: Chromosome accessor
- se,pics-method: se accessor
- seF, pics-method: Forward se accessor
- seR,pics-method: Reverse se accessor
- sigmaSqF,pics-method: sigmaSqF accessor
- sigmaSqR, pics-method: sigmaSqR accessor
- delta,pics-method: delta accessor
- mu,pics-method: mu accessor
- w,pics-method: w accessor
- K,pics-method: K accessor
- code, pics-method: Error code accessor
- summary, pics-method: Summary of the object

#### **Slots**

estimates A list containing all parameters estimates as well as standard errors.

Nmerged The number of binding events that were merged; binding events that overlap are merged.

converge A logical value indicating whether the EM algorithm has converged.

chr The candidate region's chromosome.

score Score of the binding event

scoreF Forward score of the binding event.

scoreR Reverse score of the binding event.

range Genomic ranges.

pics-generics

Generics associated with pics classes

### Description

These generics are used in methods of pics, picsError and picsList classes. See class help pages for method documentation.

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```
minRange(x, ...)
maxRange(x, ...)
score(x, ...)
scoreReverse(x, ...)
scoreForward(x, ...)
chromosome(x, ...)
se(x, ...)
seF(x, ...)
seR(x, ...)
sigmaSqF(x, ...)
sigmaSqR(x, ...)
delta(x, ...)
mu(x, ...)
w(x, ...)
K(x, \ldots)
code(x, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
score(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
scoreReverse(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
scoreForward(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
chromosome(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
se(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
seF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
```

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```
seR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
sigmaSqF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
sigmaSqR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
delta(x)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
mu(x)
```

### Arguments

x, ... Object and arguments passed to the methods.

#### **Functions**

minRange: Start accessor
maxRange: End accessor
score: Score accessor

scoreReverse: Reverse score accessor
scoreForward: Forward score accessor
chromosome: Chromosome accessor

• se: se accessor

• seF: Forward se accessor

• seR: Reverse se accessor

• sigmaSqF: sigmaSqF accessor

• sigmaSqR: sigmaSqR accessor

• delta: delta accessor

· mu: mu accessor

• w: w accessor

· K: K accessor

• code: Return error codes

• score, data. frame-method: Score accessor

• scoreReverse, data. frame-method: Reverse score accessor

• scoreForward, data. frame-method: Forward score accessorse

• chromosome, data.frame-method: chromosome accessor

• se, data.frame-method: se accessor

• seF, data.frame-method: seF accessor

ullet seR,data.frame-method: seR accessor

• sigmaSqF,data.frame-method:sigmaSqFaccessor

• sigmaSqR,data.frame-method: sigmaSqR accessor

• delta, data.frame-method: delta accessor

• mu, data.frame-method: mu accessor

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picsError class

### **Description**

This class is used in cases when the algorithm does not converge.

```
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
show(object)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
minRange(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
maxRange(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
score(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
scoreReverse(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
scoreForward(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
chromosome(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
se(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
seF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
seR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
sigmaSqF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
sigmaSqR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
delta(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError'
mu(x)
```

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```
## $4 method for signature 'picsError'
w(x)
## $4 method for signature 'picsError'
K(x)
## $4 method for signature 'picsError'
code(x)
```

### **Arguments**

object, x A picsError object.

#### **Functions**

- show,picsError-method: show method
- minRange, picsError-method: Get start of range
- maxRange,picsError-method: Get end of range
- score, picsError-method: Score accessor.
- scoreReverse, picsError-method: Reverse score accessor.
- scoreForward, picsError-method: Forward score accessor.
- chromosome, picsError-method: Chromosome accessor
- se,picsError-method: se accessor
- $\bullet$  seF,picsError-method: Forward se accessor
- seR,picsError-method: Reverse se accessor
- sigmaSqF,picsError-method: sigmaSqF accessor
- sigmaSqR,picsError-method: sigmaSqR accessor
- delta, picsError-method: delta accessor
- mu,picsError-method: mu accessor
- w,picsError-method: w accessor
- K,picsError-method: K accessor
- code, picsError-method: Error code accessor

#### **Slots**

errorCode The error code for debugging.

picsFDR

Estimate the FDR

### **Description**

Estimate the false detection rate for an object of class pics or picsList.

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#### Usage

```
picsFDR(
  picsIP,
  picsCont,
  filter = list(delta = c(0, Inf), se = c(0, Inf), sigmaSqF = c(0, Inf), sigmaSqR = c(0, Inf))
)
```

### **Arguments**

picsIP An object of class pics or picsList containing the informations for the IP

reads.

picsCont An object of class pics or picsList containing the informations for the control

reads

filter A list of ranges for filtering regions based on PICS parameters. By default

filter is set to NULL and all regions are used.

• delta: Length of the binding sites

· se: Standard error

• sigmaSqF: Forward peak variance

• sigmaSqR: Reverse peak variance

#### Value

A data.frame with the following columns: FDR, score, N

#### See Also

picsList pics

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List of PICS objects

### **Description**

List of PICS objects

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

## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
minRange(x)

## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
maxRange(x)

## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
score(x)
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
scoreReverse(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
scoreForward(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
chromosome(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
se(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
seF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
seR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
sigmaSqF(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
sigmaSqR(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
delta(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
mu(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
w(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
K(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
code(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
length(x)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList'
summary(object)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList, ANY, ANY, ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'picsList, ANY, ANY'
x[[i, j, ..., exact = TRUE]]
```

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#### **Arguments**

```
object, x A pics object.
i, j, ..., drop, exact
Arguments passed to subset functions
```

#### **Functions**

- show,picsList-method: show method
- minRange, picsList-method: Get start of range
- maxRange, picsList-method: Get end of range
- score, picsList-method: Score accessor.
- scoreReverse, picsList-method: Reverse score accessor.
- scoreForward, picsList-method: Forward score accessor.
- chromosome, picsList-method: Chromosome accessor
- se,picsList-method: se accessor
- seF,picsList-method: Forward se accessor
- seR,picsList-method: Reverse se accessor
- sigmaSqF, picsList-method: sigmaSqF accessor
- sigmaSqR, picsList-method: sigmaSqR accessor
- delta, picsList-method: delta accessor
- mu,picsList-method: mu accessor
- w,picsList-method: w accessor
- K,picsList-method: K accessor
- code,picsList-method: Error code accessor
- length, picsList-method: Return the length of the object
- summary, picsList-method: Summary of the object
- [,picsList,ANY,ANY,ANY-method: Subset list
- [[,picsList,ANY,ANY-method: Subset element

plot-FDR

Plot PICS FDR

#### **Description**

This method plots a curve showing the FDR as a function of the PICS scores.

```
## S4 method for signature 'picsList,picsList'
plot(x, y, filter = NULL, h = 0.1, ...)
```

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### **Arguments**

| Х      | A picsList object as returned by the function PICS run on the treatment data.   |
|--------|---|
| у      | A picsList object as returned by the function PICS run on the control data.   |
| filter | A list of ranges for filtering regions based on PICS parameters. By default filter is set to 'NULL' and all regions are used. |
| h      | A value between 0 and 1, representing the desired FDR. This simply draws a horizontal line at the given value.                |
|        | Further graphical parameters passed to the generic function plot.   |

#### See Also

**PICS** 

plot-pics

Plot methods for PICS objects

### **Description**

Methods to plot pics and segReads objects and derived classes.

```
## S4 method for signature 'pics,segReads'
plot(
  Х,
  у,
  addKernel = FALSE,
  addNucleosome = FALSE,
  addSe = TRUE,
  main = NULL,
)
## S4 method for signature 'picsError,segReads'
plot(x, y, addKernel = FALSE, main = NULL, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'picsList,segReadsList'
plot(
  х,
  у,
  regionIndex = NULL,
  addKernel = FALSE,
  addNucleosome = FALSE,
  addSe = TRUE,
  main = NULL,
)
```

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### **Arguments**

| x, y          | Objects                                    |
|---------------|--|
| addKernel     | Add kernel density estimate to the plot.   |
| addNucleosome | Add a nucleosome track to the plot.        |
| addSe         | Add standard error to the plot.            |
| main          | Main title.                                |
|               | Arguments to be passed to the plot method. |
| regionIndex   | Add region index to the plot.              |

#### **Functions**

• plot,pics,segReads-method: Plot method for pics and segReads

- plot,picsError, segReads-method: Plot method for picsError and segReads
- $\bullet \ \mathsf{plot}, \mathsf{picsList}, \mathsf{segReadsList-method} \colon \mathsf{Plot} \ \mathsf{method} \ \mathsf{for} \ \mathsf{picsList} \ \mathsf{and} \ \mathsf{segReadsList}$

| segChrRead | Segmentation of paired-end sequencing data |  |
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### Description

These two functions are part of the segmentation step for paired-end sequencing data and are exported to be used in PING package.

segmentPICS Segment the genome into candidate regions

### Description

Pre-process bidirectional aligned reads data from a single ChIP-Seq experiment to detect candidate regions with a minimum number of forward and reverse reads. These candidate regions will then be processed by PICS.

```
segmentPICS(
  data,
  dataC = NULL,
  map = NULL,
  minReads = 2,
  minReadsInRegion = 3,
  jitter = FALSE,
  dataType = "TF",
  maxLregion = 0,
  minLregion = 100
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

| data            | A GRanges object containing the IP reads. See details for more information on how to set up the data.  |
|-----------------|--|
| dataC           | A GRanges object containing the control reads. Set to NULL by default, i.e. no control.  |
| тар             | $\boldsymbol{A}$ GRanges object containing the mappability profiles. Set to NULL by default, i.e. no profiles.                                       |
| minReads        | A numeric. The minimum number of $F/R$ reads to be present in the sliding window.  |
| minReadsInRegio | on   |
|                 | A numeric. The minimum number of F/R reads to be present in the region.  |
| jitter          | A logical value stating whether some noise should be added to the read locations. This is recommended if the read positions have lots of duplicates. |
| dataType        | A character. Type of experiment. "TF" or "H".  |
| maxLregion      | A numeric. The maximum length.   |
|                 |  |

### Value

An object of class segReadsList containing the results for all pre-processed regions.

A numeric. The minimum length.

#### References

X. Zhang, G. Robertson, M. Krzywinski, K. Ning, A. Droit, S. Jones, and R. Gottardo, "PICS: Probabilistic Inference for ChIP-seq" arXiv, 0903.3206, 2009.

#### See Also

segReadsList

minLregion

### Examples

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segReads-class

Classes and functions to segment the genome in candidate regions

#### **Description**

Pre-process bidirectional aligned reads data from a single ChIP-Seq experiment to detect candidate regions with a minimum number of forward and reverse reads. These candidate regions will then be processed by PICS.

### Usage

```
segReads(yF, yR, cF, cR, map, chr)
segReadsList(List, paraSW, N, Nc)
## S4 method for signature 'segReads'
show(object)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList'
show(object)
map(x, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'segReads'
map(x)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList'
map(x)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList'
length(x)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList'
summary(object)
## S4 method for signature 'segReads'
summary(object)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsList, ANY, ANY'
x[[i, j, ..., exact = TRUE]]
```

### **Arguments**

| yF | A numeric vector. Forward reads.                  |
|----|---|
| уR | A numeric vector. Reverse reads.                  |
| cF | A numeric vector. Forward reads for the controls. |
| cR | A numeric vector. Reverse reads for the controls. |

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map A matrix. The mappability profile.
chr A character. Chromosome name.

List A list of segReads objects.

paraSW A list of parameters for the genomic regions.

N A numeric. The number of reads in the data.

Nc A numeric. The number of reads in the control.

object, x A segReads object.

 $i, j, \ldots, exact, drop$ 

Additional arguments passed to subset methods.

#### **Functions**

• segReads: segReads Constructor

• segReadsList: segReadsList Constructor

• show, segReads-method: show method

• show, segReadsList-method: show method

• map: map generic

• map, segReads-method: map method

• map, segReadsList-method: map method

• length, segReadsList-method: Return length of segReadsList

• summary, segReadsList-method: Summary method

• summary, segReads-method: Summary method

• [,segReadsList,ANY,ANY,ANY-method: Subset methods

• [[,segReadsList,ANY,ANY-method: Subset methods

### Note

segReads and segReadsList objects are not meant to be built via the constructors. The constructors are used in segmentPICS.

segReadsGeneric

Perform genome segmentation depending

### **Description**

Perform genome segmentation depending

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#### Usage

```
segReadsGeneric(
  data,
  dataC = NULL,
  map = NULL,
  minReads = 2,
  minReadsInRegion = 3,
  jitter = FALSE,
  maxLregion = 0,
  minLregion = 100,
  step = 20,
  width = 250,
  package = "PICS"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

| data A GRanges object containing the IP reads. See details for more information on |
|--|
|--|

how to set up the data.

dataC A GRanges object containing the control reads. Set to NULL by default, i.e. no

control.

map A GRanges object containing the mappability profiles. Set to NULL by default,

i.e. no profiles.

minReads A numeric. The minimum number of F/R reads to be present in the sliding

window.

minReadsInRegion

A numeric. The minimum number of F/R reads to be present in the region.

jitter A logical value stating whether some noise should be added to the read loca-

tions. This is recommended if the read positions have lots of duplicates.

maxLregion A numeric. The maximum length.
minLregion A numeric. The minimum length.

step A numeric. The increment of the sliding window.

width A numeric. The width of the region.
package A character. "PICS" or "PING"

segReadsListPE-class Class and methods for list of candidate regions from paired-end data

### **Description**

Class and methods for list of candidate regions from paired-end data

```
segReadsListPE(List, paraSW, N, NFm, NRm, Nc, NcFm, NcRm)
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsListPE,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'segReadsListPE,ANY,ANY'
x[[i, j, ..., exact = TRUE]]
```

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### **Arguments**

List A list of segReadsPE objects.

paraSW A list of parameters for the genomic regions.

N, NFm, NRm Read counts in the data.

Nc, NcFm, NcRm Read counts in the control.

 $x, i, j, \ldots, drop, exact$ 

Arguments passed to subset methods

#### **Functions**

• segReadsListPE: segReadsListPE constructor.

• [,segReadsListPE,ANY,ANY,ANY-method: subset method

• [[,segReadsListPE,ANY,ANY-method: subset method

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Classe and methods for candidate regions from paired-end data

### Description

A segReadsPE object represents a single candoidate region, including all its informative reads and mappability profile.

### Usage

```
segReadsPE(yF, yR, yFm, yRm, cF, cR, cFm, cRm, map, chr)
```

#### **Arguments**

| yF  | A numeric vector. Forward reads.                                |
|-----|---|
| yR  | A numeric vector. Reverse reads.                                |
| yFm | A numeric vector. Forward reads on paired end.                  |
| yRm | A numeric vector. Reverse reads on paired end.                  |
| cF  | A numeric vector. Forward reads for the controls.               |
| cR  | A numeric vector. Reverse reads for the controls.               |
| cFm | A numeric vector. Forward reads on paired end for the controls. |
| cRm | A numeric vector. Reverse reads on paired end for the controls. |
| map | A matrix. The mappability profile.                              |
| chr | A character. Chromosome name.                                   |

### **Functions**

• segReadsPE: segReadsPE constructor.

#### Note

segReadsPE objects are not meant to be built via the constructors. The constructors are used in segmentPICS.

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| setParaEM | List of parameters for the EM algorithm that can be used as an argument of PICS. |
|-----------|--|
|           |  |

### Description

This function takes from 0 to 7 EM algorithm parameters as argument, check if they are valid and returns a list to be used in a call to PICS.

### Usage

```
setParaEM(
  minK = 1,
  maxK = 15,
  tol = 1e-04,
  B = 100,
  mSelect = "BIC",
  mergePeaks = TRUE,
  mapCorrect = TRUE,
  dataType = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

| minK       | An integer. The minimum number of binding events per region. If the value is 0, the minimum number is automatically calculated.                      |
|------------|--|
| maxK       | An integer. The maximum number of binding events per region. If the value is 0, the maximum number is automatically calculated.                      |
| tol        | A numeric. The tolerance for the EM algorithm.   |
| В          | An integer. The maximum number of iterations to be used.   |
| mSelect    | A character. pecifying the information criteria to be used when selecting the number of binding events.  |
| mergePeaks | A logical stating whether overlapping binding events should be picked.   |
| mapCorrect | A logical stating whether mappability profiles should be incorporated in the estimation, i.e: missing reads estimated.                               |
| dataType   | A character. If a dataType is set, the algorithm will use the default parameters for this type of data (all the previous arguments will be ignored). |

### Value

A list of parameters to be used in PICS.

### See Also

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| setParaPrior | List of parameters that can be used as an argument of PICS. |
|--------------|---|
|              |   |

### Description

This function takes from 0 to 6 parameters as argument, check if they are valid and returns a list to be used in a call to PICS.

### Usage

```
setParaPrior(
    xi = 200,
    rho = 1,
    alpha = 20,
    beta = 40000,
    lambda = 0,
    dMu = 0,
    dataType = NULL,
    PExi = 0
)
```

### Arguments

| xi       | An integer. The average DNA fragment size.  |
|----------|---|
| rho      | An integer. A variance parameter for the average DNA fragment size distribution.  |
| alpha    | An integer. First hyperparameter of the inverse Gamma distribution for $\sigma^2$ in the PICS model.  |
| beta     | An integer. Second hyperparameter of the inverse Gamma distribution for \$sigma^2\$ in the PICS model.  |
| lambda   | An integer. The precision of the prior for mu used for histone data.  |
| dMu      | An integer. Our best guess for the distance between two neighboring nucleosomes.  |
| dataType | A character string. If a valid dataType is specified, use our suggested parameters. "MNase" or "sonicated"  |
| PExi     | A numeric. With paired end data, 'xi' can be calculated directly from the reads. If PExi is set, it will overwrite the xi determined by the dataType. |

### Value

A list of 6 parameters to be used in PICS.

### See Also

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### **Examples**

```
# set prior for PICS data
paraPrior <- setParaPrior()
# set prior for sonicated data using our selected default parameters
paraPrior <- setParaPrior(dataType="sonicated")</pre>
```

summarySeg

Summarize segmentList objects

### Description

Summarize segmentList objects into a data.frame

### Usage

```
summarySeg(seg)
```

### **Arguments**

seg

A segmentList object as returned by segmentPICS.

### Value

A data.frame. With

- chr: Chromosome id
- NF: Number of forward reads
- NR: Number of reverse reads
- L: Length of segment
- min: Start location of segments
- max: End location of segments

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