

# Package ‘GenomicRanges’

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Constraints

*Enforcing constraints thru Constraint objects*

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### Description

Attaching a Constraint object to an object of class A (the "constrained" object) is meant to be a convenient/reusable/extensible way to enforce a particular set of constraints on particular instances of A.

THIS IS AN EXPERIMENTAL FEATURE AND STILL VERY MUCH A WORK-IN-PROGRESS!

## Details

For the developer, using constraints is an alternative to the more traditional approach that consists in creating subclasses of A and implementing specific validity methods for each of them. However, using constraints offers the following advantages over the traditional approach:

- The traditional approach often tends to lead to a proliferation of subclasses of A.
- Constraints can easily be re-used across different classes without the need to create any new class.
- Constraints can easily be combined.

All constraints are implemented as concrete subclasses of the Constraint class, which is a virtual class with no slots. Like the Constraint virtual class itself, concrete Constraint subclasses cannot have slots.

Here are the 7 steps typically involved in the process of putting constraints on objects of class A:

1. Add a slot named `constraint` to the definition of class A. The type of this slot must be `ConstraintORNULL`. Note that any subclass of A will inherit this slot.
2. Implements the `constraint()` accessors (getter and setter) for objects of class A. This is done by implementing the `"constraint"` method (getter) and replacement method (setter) for objects of class A (see the examples below). As a convenience to the user, the setter should also accept the name of a constraint (i.e. the name of its class) in addition to an instance of that class. Note that those accessors will work on instances of any subclass of A.
3. Modify the validity method for class A so it also returns the result of `checkConstraint(x, constraint(x))` (append this result to the result returned by the validity method).
4. Testing: Create `x`, an instance of class A (or subclass of A). By default there is no constraint on it (`constraint(x)` is `NULL`). `validObject(x)` should return `TRUE`.
5. Create a new constraint (`MyConstraint`) by extending the `Constraint` class, typically with `setClass("MyConstraint", contains="Constraint")`. This constraint is not enforcing anything yet so you could put it on `x` (with `constraint(x) <- "MyConstraint"`), but not much would happen. In order to actually enforce something, a `"checkConstraint"` method for signature `c(x="A", constraint="MyConstraint")` needs to be implemented.
6. Implement a `"checkConstraint"` method for signature `c(x="A", constraint="MyConstraint")`. Like validity methods, `"checkConstraint"` methods must return `NULL` or a character vector describing the problems found. Like validity methods, they should never fail (i.e. they should never raise an error). Note that, alternatively, an existing constraint (e.g. `SomeConstraint`) can be adapted to work on objects of class A by just defining a new `"checkConstraint"` method for signature `c(x="A", constraint="SomeConstraint")`. Also, stricter constraints can be built on top of existing constraints by extending one or more existing constraints (see the examples below).
7. Testing: Try `constraint(x) <- "MyConstraint"`. It will or will not work depending on whether `x` satisfies the constraint or not. In the former case, trying to modify `x` in a way that breaks the constraint on it will also raise an error.

## Note

WARNING: This note is not true anymore as the constraint slot has been temporarily removed from [GenomicRanges](#) objects (starting with package `GenomicRanges`  $\geq$  1.7.9).

Currently, only [GenomicRanges](#) objects can be constrained, that is:

- they have a constraint slot;
- they have `constraint()` accessors (getter and setter) for this slot;
- their validity method has been modified so it also returns the result of `checkConstraint(x, constraint(x))`.

More classes in the `GenomicRanges` and `IRanges` packages will support constraints in the near future.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[setClass](#), [is](#), [setMethod](#), [showMethods](#), [validObject](#), [GenomicRanges-class](#)

### Examples

```
## The examples below show how to define and set constraints on
## GenomicRanges objects. Note that this is how the constraint()
## setter is defined for GenomicRanges objects:
#setReplaceMethod("constraint", "GenomicRanges",
#  function(x, value)
#  {
#    if (isSingleString(value))
#      value <- new(value)
#    if (!is(value, "ConstraintORNULL"))
#      stop("the supplied constraint must be a ",
#           "Constraint object, a single string, or NULL")
#    x@constraint <- value
#    validObject(x)
#  }
#)

#selectMethod("constraint", "GenomicRanges") # the getter
#selectMethod("constraint<-", "GenomicRanges") # the setter

## Well use the GRanges instance gr created in the GRanges examples
## to test our constraints:
example(GRanges, echo=FALSE)
gr
#constraint(gr)

## -----
## EXAMPLE 1: The HasRangeTypeCol constraint.
## -----
## The HasRangeTypeCol constraint checks that the constrained object
## has a unique "rangeType" metadata column and that this column
## is a factor Rle with no NAs and with the following levels
## (in this order): gene, transcript, exon, cds, 5utr, 3utr.
```

```

setClass("HasRangeTypeCol", contains="Constraint")

## Like validity methods, "checkConstraint" methods must return NULL or
## a character vector describing the problems found. They should never
## fail i.e. they should never raise an error.
setMethod("checkConstraint", c("GenomicRanges", "HasRangeTypeCol"),
  function(x, constraint, verbose=FALSE)
  {
    x_mcols <- mcols(x)
    idx <- match("rangeType", colnames(x_mcols))
    if (length(idx) != 1L || is.na(idx)) {
      msg <- c("mcols(x) must have exactly 1 column ",
              "named \"rangeType\"")
      return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
    }
    rangeType <- x_mcols[[idx]]
    .LEVELS <- c("gene", "transcript", "exon", "cds", "5utr", "3utr")
    if (!is(rangeType, "Rle") ||
        IRanges::anyMissing(runValue(rangeType)) ||
        !identical(levels(rangeType), .LEVELS))
    {
      msg <- c("mcols(x)$rangeType must be a ",
              "factor Rle with no NAs and with levels: ",
              paste(.LEVELS, collapse=", "))
      return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
    }
    NULL
  }
)

#\dontrun{
#constraint(gr) <- "HasRangeTypeCol" # will fail
#}
checkConstraint(gr, new("HasRangeTypeCol")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

levels <- c("gene", "transcript", "exon", "cds", "5utr", "3utr")
rangeType <- Rle(factor(c("cds", "gene"), levels=levels), c(8, 2))
mcols(gr)$rangeType <- rangeType
#constraint(gr) <- "HasRangeTypeCol" # OK
checkConstraint(gr, new("HasRangeTypeCol")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

## Use is() to check whether the object has a given constraint or not:
#is(constraint(gr), "HasRangeTypeCol") # TRUE
#\dontrun{
#mcols(gr)$rangeType[3] <- NA # will fail
#}
mcols(gr)$rangeType[3] <- NA
checkConstraint(gr, new("HasRangeTypeCol")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

## -----
## EXAMPLE 2: The GeneRanges constraint.
## -----

```

```

## The GeneRanges constraint is defined on top of the HasRangeTypeCol
## constraint. It checks that all the ranges in the object are of type
## "gene".

setClass("GeneRanges", contains="HasRangeTypeCol")

## The checkConstraint() generic will check the HasRangeTypeCol constraint
## first, and, only if its satisfied, it will then check the GeneRanges
## constraint.
setMethod("checkConstraint", c("GenomicRanges", "GeneRanges"),
  function(x, constraint, verbose=FALSE)
  {
    rangeType <- mcols(x)$rangeType
    if (!all(rangeType == "gene")) {
      msg <- c("all elements in mcols(x)$rangeType ",
              "must be equal to \"gene\"")
      return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
    }
    NULL
  }
)

#\dontrun{
#constraint(gr) <- "GeneRanges" # will fail
#}
checkConstraint(gr, new("GeneRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

mcols(gr)$rangeType[] <- "gene"
## This replace the previous constraint (HasRangeTypeCol):
#constraint(gr) <- "GeneRanges" # OK
checkConstraint(gr, new("GeneRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

#is(constraint(gr), "GeneRanges") # TRUE
## However, gr still indirectly has the HasRangeTypeCol constraint
## (because the GeneRanges constraint extends the HasRangeTypeCol
## constraint):
#is(constraint(gr), "HasRangeTypeCol") # TRUE
#\dontrun{
#mcols(gr)$rangeType[] <- "exon" # will fail
#}
mcols(gr)$rangeType[] <- "exon"
checkConstraint(gr, new("GeneRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

## -----
## EXAMPLE 3: The HasGCCol constraint.
## -----
## The HasGCCol constraint checks that the constrained object has a
## unique "GC" metadata column, that this column is of type numeric,
## with no NAs, and that all the values in that column are >= 0 and <= 1.

setClass("HasGCCol", contains="Constraint")

setMethod("checkConstraint", c("GenomicRanges", "HasGCCol"),

```

```

function(x, constraint, verbose=FALSE)
{
  x_mcols <- mcols(x)
  idx <- match("GC", colnames(x_mcols))
  if (length(idx) != 1L || is.na(idx)) {
    msg <- c("mcols(x) must have exactly ",
            "one column named \"GC\"")
    return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
  }
  GC <- x_mcols[[idx]]
  if (lis.numeric(GC) ||
      IRanges:::anyMissing(GC) ||
      any(GC < 0) || any(GC > 1))
  {
    msg <- c("mcols(x)$GC must be a numeric vector ",
            "with no NAs and with values between 0 and 1")
    return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
  }
  NULL
}
)

## This replace the previous constraint (GeneRanges):
##constraint(gr) <- "HasGCCol" # OK
checkConstraint(gr, new("HasGCCol")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

##is(constraint(gr), "HasGCCol") # TRUE
##is(constraint(gr), "GeneRanges") # FALSE
##is(constraint(gr), "HasRangeTypeCol") # FALSE

## -----
## EXAMPLE 4: The HighGCRanges constraint.
## -----
## The HighGCRanges constraint is defined on top of the HasGCCol
## constraint. It checks that all the ranges in the object have a GC
## content >= 0.5.

setClass("HighGCRanges", contains="HasGCCol")

## The checkConstraint() generic will check the HasGCCol constraint
## first, and, if its satisfied, it will then check the HighGCRanges
## constraint.
setMethod("checkConstraint", c("GenomicRanges", "HighGCRanges"),
  function(x, constraint, verbose=FALSE)
  {
    GC <- mcols(x)$GC
    if (!all(GC >= 0.5)) {
      msg <- c("all elements in mcols(x)$GC ",
              "must be >= 0.5")
      return(paste(msg, collapse=""))
    }
    NULL
  }
)

```

```

)

#\dontrun{
#constraint(gr) <- "HighGCRanges" # will fail
#}
checkConstraint(gr, new("HighGCRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9
mcols(gr)$GC[6:10] <- 0.5
#constraint(gr) <- "HighGCRanges" # OK
checkConstraint(gr, new("HighGCRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

#is(constraint(gr), "HighGCRanges") # TRUE
#is(constraint(gr), "HasGCCol") # TRUE

## -----
## EXAMPLE 5: The HighGCGeneRanges constraint.
## -----
## The HighGCGeneRanges constraint is the combination (AND) of the
## GeneRanges and HighGCRanges constraints.

setClass("HighGCGeneRanges", contains=c("GeneRanges", "HighGCRanges"))

## No need to define a method for this constraint: the checkConstraint()
## generic will automatically check the GeneRanges and HighGCRanges
## constraints.

#constraint(gr) <- "HighGCGeneRanges" # OK
checkConstraint(gr, new("HighGCGeneRanges")) # with GenomicRanges >= 1.7.9

#is(constraint(gr), "HighGCGeneRanges") # TRUE
#is(constraint(gr), "HighGCRanges") # TRUE
#is(constraint(gr), "HasGCCol") # TRUE
#is(constraint(gr), "GeneRanges") # TRUE
#is(constraint(gr), "HasRangeTypeCol") # TRUE

## See how all the individual constraints are checked (from less
## specific to more specific constraints):
#checkConstraint(gr, constraint(gr), verbose=TRUE)
checkConstraint(gr, new("HighGCGeneRanges"), verbose=TRUE) # with
# GenomicRanges
# >= 1.7.9

## See all the "checkConstraint" methods:
showMethods("checkConstraint")

```

**Description**

[coverage](#) methods for [GRanges](#) and [GRangesList](#) objects.



NOTE: The `coverage` generic function and methods for `Ranges` and `RangesList` objects are defined and documented in the `IRanges` package. Methods for `GAlignments` and `GAlignmentPairs` objects are defined and documented in the `GenomicAlignments` package.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
coverage(x, shift=0L, width=NULL, weight=1L,
         method=c("auto", "sort", "hash"))

## S4 method for signature GRangesList
coverage(x, shift=0L, width=NULL, weight=1L,
         method=c("auto", "sort", "hash"))
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>GRanges</code> or <code>GRangesList</code> object.
<code>shift</code>	A numeric vector or a list-like object. If numeric, it must be parallel to <code>x</code> (recycled if necessary). If a list-like object, it must have 1 list element per <code>seqlevel</code> in <code>x</code> , and its names must be exactly <code>seqlevels(x)</code> . Alternatively, <code>shift</code> can also be specified as a single string naming a metadata column in <code>x</code> (i.e. a column in <code>mcols(x)</code> ) to be used as the <code>shift</code> vector. See <code>?coverage</code> in the <code>IRanges</code> package for more information about this argument.
<code>width</code>	Either <code>NULL</code> (the default), or an integer vector. If <code>NULL</code> , it is replaced with <code>seqlengths(x)</code> . Otherwise, the vector must have the length and names of <code>seqlengths(x)</code> and contain <code>NA</code> s or non-negative integers. See <code>?coverage</code> in the <code>IRanges</code> package for more information about this argument.
<code>weight</code>	A numeric vector or a list-like object. If numeric, it must be parallel to <code>x</code> (recycled if necessary). If a list-like object, it must have 1 list element per <code>seqlevel</code> in <code>x</code> , and its names must be exactly <code>seqlevels(x)</code> . Alternatively, <code>weight</code> can also be specified as a single string naming a metadata column in <code>x</code> (i.e. a column in <code>mcols(x)</code> ) to be used as the <code>weight</code> vector. See <code>?coverage</code> in the <code>IRanges</code> package for more information about this argument.
<code>method</code>	See <code>?coverage</code> in the <code>IRanges</code> package for a description of this argument.

## Details

When `x` is a `GRangesList` object, `coverage(x, ...)` is equivalent to `coverage(unlist(x), ...)`.

## Value

A named `RleList` object with one coverage vector per `seqlevel` in `x`.

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**See Also**

- [coverage](#) in the **IRanges** package.
- [coverage-methods](#) in the **GenomicAlignments** package.
- [RleList](#) objects in the **IRanges** package.
- [GRanges](#) and [GRangesList](#) objects.

**Examples**

```
## Coverage of a GRanges object:
gr <- GRanges(
  seqnames=Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
  ranges=IRanges(1:10, end=10),
  strand=Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*", "+", "-")), c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
  seqlengths=c(chr1=11, chr2=12, chr3=13))
cvg <- coverage(gr)
pcvg <- coverage(gr[strand(gr) == "+"])
mcvg <- coverage(gr[strand(gr) == "-"])
scvg <- coverage(gr[strand(gr) == "*"])
stopifnot(identical(pcvg + mcvg + scvg, cvg))

## Coverage of a GRangesList object:
gr1 <- GRanges(seqnames="chr2",
  ranges=IRanges(3, 6),
  strand = "+")
gr2 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr1"),
  ranges=IRanges(c(7,13), width=3),
  strand=c("+", "-"))
gr3 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr2"),
  ranges=IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
  strand=c("-", "-"))
grl <- GRangesList(gr1=gr1, gr2=gr2, gr3=gr3)
stopifnot(identical(coverage(grl), coverage(unlist(grl))))
```

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findOverlaps-methods *Finding overlapping genomic ranges*

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**Description**

Finds interval overlaps between a [GRanges](#), [GIntervalTree](#), or [GRangesList](#) object, and another object containing ranges.

NOTE: The [findOverlaps](#) generic function and methods for [Ranges](#) and [RangesList](#) objects are defined and documented in the **IRanges** package. The methods for [GAlignments](#), [GAlignmentPairs](#), and [GAlignmentsList](#) objects are defined and documented in the **GenomicAlignments** package.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
findOverlaps(query, subject,
             maxgap = 0L, minoverlap = 1L,
             type = c("any", "start", "end", "within", "equal"),
             select = c("all", "first", "last", "arbitrary"),
             ignore.strand = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
countOverlaps(query, subject,
              maxgap = 0L, minoverlap = 1L,
              type = c("any", "start", "end", "within", "equal"),
              ignore.strand = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
overlapsAny(query, subject,
            maxgap = 0L, minoverlap = 1L,
            type = c("any", "start", "end", "within", "equal"),
            ignore.strand = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
subsetByOverlaps(query, subject,
                 maxgap = 0L, minoverlap = 1L,
                 type = c("any", "start", "end", "within", "equal"),
                 ignore.strand = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

`query`, `subject` A [GRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) object. [RangesList](#) and [RangedData](#) are also accepted for one of `query` or `subject`. When `query` is a [GRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) then `subject` can be a [GIntervalTree](#) object.

`maxgap`, `minoverlap`, `type`, `select`  
See [findOverlaps](#) in the [IRanges](#) package for a description of these arguments.

`ignore.strand` When set to `TRUE`, the strand information is ignored in the overlap calculations.

**Details**

When the `query` and the `subject` are [GRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) objects, `findOverlaps` uses the triplet (sequence name, range, strand) to determine which features (see paragraph below for the definition of feature) from the `query` overlap which features in the `subject`, where a strand value of "\*" is treated as occurring on both the "+" and "-" strand. An overlap is recorded when a feature in the `query` and a feature in the `subject` have the same sequence name, have a compatible pairing of strands (e.g. "+"/"+"", "-"/"-", "\*"/"+", "\*"/"-", etc.), and satisfy the interval overlap requirements. Strand is taken as "\*" for [RangedData](#) and [RangesList](#).

In the context of `findOverlaps`, a feature is a collection of ranges that are treated as a single entity. For [GRanges](#) objects, a feature is a single range; while for [GRangesList](#) objects, a feature is a list element containing a set of ranges. In the results, the features are referred to by number, which run from 1 to `length(query)/length(subject)`.

When the query is a [GRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) object then the [subject](#) can be a [GIntervalTree](#) object. For repeated queries against the same subject, it is more efficient to create a [GIntervalTree](#) once for the subject using the [GIntervalTree](#) constructor described below and then perform the queries against the [GIntervalTree](#) instance. Note that [GIntervalTree](#) objects are not supported for circular genomes.

### Value

For `findOverlaps` either a [Hits](#) object when `select = "all"` or an integer vector otherwise.

For `countOverlaps` an integer vector containing the tabulated query overlap hits.

For `overlapsAny` a logical vector of length equal to the number of ranges in query indicating those that overlap any of the ranges in subject.

For `subsetByOverlaps` an object of the same class as query containing the subset that overlapped at least one entity in subject.

For `RangedData` and `RangesList`, with the exception of `subsetByOverlaps`, the results align to the unlisted form of the object. This turns out to be fairly convenient for `RangedData` (not so much for `RangesList`, but something has to give).

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### See Also

- [findOverlaps](#).
- [Hits-class](#).
- [GRanges-class](#).
- [GRangesList-class](#).
- [GIntervalTree-class](#).

### Examples

```
## GRanges object:
gr <-
  GRanges(seqnames =
    Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
    ranges =
    IRanges(1:10, width = 10:1, names = head(letters,10)),
    strand =
    Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*", "+", "-")),
      c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
    score = 1:10,
    GC = seq(1, 0, length=10))

## GRangesList object:
gr1 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = "chr2", ranges = IRanges(4:3, 6),
```

```

strand = "+", score = 5:4, GC = 0.45)
gr2 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = c("chr1", "chr1"),
          ranges = IRanges(c(7,13), width = 3),
          strand = c("+", "-"), score = 3:4, GC = c(0.3, 0.5))
gr3 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = c("chr1", "chr2"),
          ranges = IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
          strand = c("-", "-"), score = c(6L, 2L), GC = c(0.4, 0.1))
gr1 <- GRangesList("gr1" = gr1, "gr2" = gr2, "gr3" = gr3)

## Overlapping two GRanges objects:
table(!is.na(findOverlaps(gr, gr1, select="arbitrary")))
countOverlaps(gr, gr1)
findOverlaps(gr, gr1)
subsetByOverlaps(gr, gr1)

countOverlaps(gr, gr1, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr, gr1, type = "start")
subsetByOverlaps(gr, gr1, type = "start")

findOverlaps(gr, gr1, select = "first")
findOverlaps(gr, gr1, select = "last")

findOverlaps(gr1, gr)
findOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "within")
findOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "equal")

## using a GIntervalTree
gtree <- GIntervalTree(gr1)
table(!is.na(findOverlaps(gr, gtree, select="arbitrary")))
countOverlaps(gr, gtree)
findOverlaps(gr, gtree)
subsetByOverlaps(gr, gtree)

## Overlapping a GRanges and a GRangesList object:
table(!is.na(findOverlaps(gr1, gr, select="first")))
countOverlaps(gr1, gr)
findOverlaps(gr1, gr)
subsetByOverlaps(gr1, gr)
countOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "start")
subsetByOverlaps(gr1, gr, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr1, gr, select = "first")

## using a GIntervalTree
table(!is.na(findOverlaps(gr1, gtree, select="first")))
countOverlaps(gr1, gtree)
findOverlaps(gr1, gtree)
subsetByOverlaps(gr1, gtree)
countOverlaps(gr1, gtree, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr1, gtree, type = "start")

```

```

subsetByOverlaps(gr1, gtree, type = "start")
findOverlaps(gr1, gtree, select = "first")

## Overlapping two GRangesList objects:
countOverlaps(gr1, rev(gr1))
findOverlaps(gr1, rev(gr1))
subsetByOverlaps(gr1, rev(gr1))

```

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GenomicRanges-comparison

*Comparing and ordering genomic ranges*

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## Description

Methods for comparing and ordering the elements in one or more [GenomicRanges](#) objects.

## Usage

```

## Element-wise (aka "parallel") comparison of 2 GenomicRanges objects
## -----

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
e1 == e2

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
e1 <= e2

## duplicated()
## -----

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
duplicated(x, incomparables=FALSE, fromLast=FALSE,
           method=c("auto", "quick", "hash"))

## match()
## -----

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
match(x, table, nomatch=NA_integer_, incomparables=NULL,
      method=c("auto", "quick", "hash"), ignore.strand=FALSE, match.if.overlap=FALSE)

## order() and related methods
## -----

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
order(..., na.last=TRUE, decreasing=FALSE)

```

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
sort(x, decreasing=FALSE, ignore.strand=FALSE, by)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
rank(x, na.last=TRUE,
      ties.method=c("average", "first", "random", "max", "min"))

## Generalized element-wise (aka "parallel") comparison of 2 GenomicRanges
## objects
## -----

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
compare(x, y)
```

### Arguments

`e1, e2, x, table, y` [GenomicRanges](#) objects.

`incomparables` Not supported.

`fromLast, method, nomatch`  
See [?Ranges-comparison](#) in the `IRanges` package for a description of these arguments.

`ignore.strand` Whether or not the strand should be ignored when comparing 2 genomic ranges.

`match.if.overlap`  
This argument is defunct in BioC 2.14. Please use `findOverlaps(x, table, select="first", ignore.strand=ignore.strand, match.if.overlap=TRUE)` if you need to do `match(x, table, ignore.strand=ignore.strand, match.if.overlap=TRUE)`.

`...` Additional [GenomicRanges](#) objects used for breaking ties.

`na.last` Ignored.

`decreasing` TRUE or FALSE.

`ties.method` A character string specifying how ties are treated. Only "first" is supported for now.

`by` An optional formula that is resolved against `as.env(x)`; the resulting variables are passed to `order` to generate the ordering permutation.

### Details

Two elements of a [GenomicRanges](#) object (i.e. two genomic ranges) are considered equal iff they are on the same underlying sequence and strand, and have the same start and width. `duplicated()` and `unique()` on a [GenomicRanges](#) object are conforming to this.

The "natural order" for the elements of a [GenomicRanges](#) object is to order them (a) first by sequence level, (b) then by strand, (c) then by start, (d) and finally by width. This way, the space of genomic ranges is totally ordered. Note that the `reduce` method for [GenomicRanges](#) uses this "natural order" implicitly. Also, note that, because we already do (c) and (d) for regular ranges (see [?Ranges-comparison](#)), genomic ranges that belong to the same underlying sequence and strand are ordered like regular ranges. `order()`, `sort()`, and `rank()` on a [GenomicRanges](#) object are using this "natural order".

Also the ==, !=, <=, >=, < and > operators between 2 [GenomicRanges](#) objects are using this "natural order".

### Author(s)

H. Pages

### See Also

- The [GenomicRanges](#) class.
- [Ranges-comparison](#) in the [IRanges](#) package for comparing and ordering genomic ranges.
- [intra-range-methods](#) and [inter-range-methods](#) for intra and inter range transformations.
- [setops-methods](#) for set operations on [GenomicRanges](#) objects.
- [findOverlaps-methods](#) for finding overlapping genomic ranges.

### Examples

```
gr0 <- GRanges(
  seqnames=Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
  ranges=IRanges(c(1:9,7L), end=10),
  strand=Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*", "+", "-")), c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
  seqlengths=c(chr1=11, chr2=12, chr3=13))
gr <- c(gr0, gr0[7:3])
names(gr) <- LETTERS[seq_along(gr)]

## -----
## A. ELEMENT-WISE (AKA "PARALLEL") COMPARISON OF 2 GenomicRanges OBJECTS
## -----
gr[2] == gr[2] # TRUE
gr[2] == gr[5] # FALSE
gr == gr[4]
gr >= gr[3]

## -----
## B. duplicated(), unique()
## -----
duplicated(gr)
unique(gr)

## -----
## C. match(), %in%
## -----
table <- gr[1:7]
match(gr, table)
match(gr, table, ignore.strand=TRUE)

gr %in% table

## -----
## D. findMatches(), countMatches()
## -----
```



```

findMatches(gr, table)
countMatches(gr, table)

findMatches(gr, table, ignore.strand=TRUE)
countMatches(gr, table, ignore.strand=TRUE)

gr_levels <- unique(gr)
countMatches(gr_levels, gr)

## -----
## E. order() AND RELATED METHODS
## -----
order(gr)
sort(gr)
sort(gr, ignore.strand=TRUE)
sort(gr, by = ~ seqnames + start + end) # equivalent to (but slower than) above
score(gr) <- rev(seq_len(length(gr)))
sort(gr, by = ~ score)
rank(gr)

## -----
## F. GENERALIZED ELEMENT-WISE COMPARISON OF 2 GenomicRanges OBJECTS
## -----
gr2 <- GRanges(c(rep("chr1", 12), "chr2"), IRanges(c(1:11, 6:7), width=3))
strand(gr2)[12] <- "+"
gr3 <- GRanges("chr1", IRanges(5, 9))

compare(gr2, gr3)
rangeComparisonCodeToLetter(compare(gr2, gr3))

```

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GenomicRanges-deprecated

*Deprecated Functions in package **GenomicRanges***

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## Description

The functions or variables listed here have been deprecated and should no longer be used.

## Details

The following functions are deprecated and will be made defunct; use the replacement indicated below:

- makeSeqnameIds: [rankSeqlevels](#)

## See Also

[Deprecated](#)

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GenomicRangesList-class

*GenomicRangesList objects*

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### Description

A `GenomicRangesList` is a [List](#) of [GenomicRanges](#). It is a virtual class; `SimpleGenomicRangesList` is the basic implementation. The subclass `GRangesList` provides special behavior and is particularly efficient for storing a large number of elements.

### Constructor

`GenomicRangesList(...)`: Constructs a `SimpleGenomicRangesList` with elements taken from the arguments in `...`. If the only argument is a list, the elements are taken from that list.

### Coercion

`as(from, "GenomicRangesList")`: Supported from types include:

**RangedDataList** Each element of `from` is coerced to a `GenomicRanges`.

`as(from, "RangedDataList")`: Supported from types include:

**GenomicRangesList** Each element of `from` is coerced to a `RangedData`.

### Author(s)

Michael Lawrence

### See Also

[GRangesList](#), which differs from `SimpleGenomicRangesList` in that the `GRangesList` treats its elements as single, compound ranges, particularly in overlap operations. `SimpleGenomicRangesList` is just a barebones list for now, without that compound semantic.

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GIntervalTree-class

*GIntervalTree objects*

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### Description

The `GRanges` class is a container for the genomic locations and their associated annotations.

## Details

A common type of query that arises when working with intervals is finding which intervals in one set overlap those in another. An efficient family of algorithms for answering such queries is known as the Interval Tree. The GIntervalTree class implements persistent Interval Trees for efficient querying of genomic intervals. It uses the [IntervalForest](#) class to store a set of trees, one for each seqlevel in a [GRanges](#) object.

The simplest approach for finding overlaps is to call the [findOverlaps](#) function on a [Ranges](#) or other object with range information. See the man page of [findOverlaps](#) for how to use this and other related functions. A GIntervalTree object is a derivative of [GenomicRanges](#) and stores its genomic ranges as a set of trees (a forest, with one tree per seqlevel) that is optimized for overlap queries. Thus, for repeated queries against the same subject, it is more efficient to create a GIntervalTree once for the subject using the constructor described below and then perform the queries against the GIntervalTree instance.

Like its [GenomicRanges](#) parent class, the GIntervalTree class stores the sequences of genomic locations and associated annotations. Each element in the sequence is comprised of a sequence name, an interval, a [strand](#), and optional metadata columns (e.g. score, GC content, etc.). This information is stored in four components as in [GenomicRanges](#), but two of these components are treated in a specific way:

`ranges` an [IntervalForest](#) object containing the ranges stored as a set of interval trees.

`seqnames` these are not stored directly in this class, but are obtained from the `partitioning` component of the [IntervalForest](#) object stored in `ranges`.

Note that GIntervalTree objects are not supported for [GRanges](#) objects with circular genomes.

## Constructor

`GIntervalTree(x)`: Creates a GIntervalTree object from a [GRanges](#) object.

`x` a [GRanges](#) object containing the genomic ranges.

## Coercion

`as(from, "GIntervalTree")`: Creates a GIntervalTree object from a [GRanges](#) object. `as(from, "GRanges")`: Creates a [GRanges](#) object from an GIntervalTree object

## Accessors

In the following code snippets, `x` is a GIntervalTree object.

`length(x)`: Get the number of elements.

`seqnames(x)`: Get the sequence names.

`ranges(x)`: Get the ranges as an [IRanges](#) object. This is for consistency with the `ranges` accessor for [GRanges](#) objects. To access the underlying [IntervalForest](#) object use the `obj@ranges` form.

`strand(x)`: Get the strand.

`mcols(x, use.names=FALSE)`, `mcols(x) <- value`: Get or set the metadata columns. If `use.names=TRUE` and the metadata columns are not NULL, then the names of `x` are propagated as the row names of the returned [DataFrame](#) object. When setting the metadata columns, the

supplied value must be NULL or a data.frame-like object (i.e. [DataTable](#) or data.frame) object holding element-wise metadata.

`elementMetadata(x)`, `elementMetadata(x) <- value`, `values(x)`, `values(x) <- value`: Alternatives to `mcols` functions. Their use is discouraged.

`seqinfo(x)`: Get or set the information about the underlying sequences. `value` must be a [Seqinfo](#) object.

`seqlevels(x)`: Get the sequence levels. These are stored in the `partition` slot of the underlying [IntervalForest](#) object.

`seqlengths(x)`: Get the sequence lengths.

`isCircular(x)`: Get the circularity flags. Note that `GIntervalTree` objects are not supported for circular genomes.

`genome(x)`: Get or the genome identifier or assembly name for each sequence.

`seqlevelsStyle(x)`: Get the `seqname` style for `x`. See the [seqlevelsStyle](#) generic getter in the **GenomeInfoDb** package for more information.

`score(x)`: Get the “score” column from the element metadata, if any.

### Ranges methods

In the following code snippets, `x` is a `GIntervalTree` object.

`start(x)`: Get `start(ranges(x))`.

`end(x)`: Get `end(ranges(x))`.

`width(x)`: Get `width(ranges(x))`.

### Subsetting

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GIntervalTree` object.

`x[i, j]`: Get elements `i` with optional metadata columns `mcols(x)[, j]`, where `i` can be missing; an NA-free logical, numeric, or character vector; or a ‘logical’ Rle object.

### Other methods

`show(x)`: By default the `show` method displays 5 head and 5 tail elements. This can be changed by setting the global options `showHeadLines` and `showTailLines`. If the object length is less than (or equal to) the sum of these 2 options plus 1, then the full object is displayed.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[seqinfo](#), [IntervalForest](#), [IntervalTree](#), [findOverlaps-methods](#),

**Examples**

```

seqinfo <- Seqinfo(paste0("chr", 1:3), c(1000, 2000, 1500), NA, "mock1")
gr <-
  GRanges(seqnames =
    Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
    ranges = IRanges(
      1:10, width = 10:1, names = head(letters,10)),
    strand = Rle(
      strand(c("-", "+", "*+", "-")),
      c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
    score = 1:10,
    GC = seq(1, 0, length=10),
    seqinfo=seqinfo)
tree <- GIntervalTree(gr)
tree

## Summarizing elements
table(seqnames(tree))
sum(width(tree))
summary(mcols(tree)[,"score"])

## find Overlaps
subject <-
  GRanges(seqnames =
    Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
    ranges =
      IRanges(1:10, width = 10:1, names = head(letters,10)),
    strand =
      Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*+", "-")),
        c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
    score = 1:10,
    GC = seq(1, 0, length=10))
query <-
  GRanges(seqnames = "chr2", ranges = IRanges(4:3, 6),
    strand = "+", score = 5:4, GC = 0.45)

stree <- GIntervalTree(subject)
findOverlaps(query, stree)
countOverlaps(query, stree)

```

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GRanges-class

*GRanges objects*


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**Description**

The GRanges class is a container for the genomic locations and their associated annotations.

## Details

GRanges is a vector of genomic locations and associated annotations. Each element in the vector is comprised of a sequence name, an interval, a [strand](#), and optional metadata columns (e.g. score, GC content, etc.). This information is stored in four components:

seqnames a 'factor' [Rle](#) object containing the sequence names.

ranges an [IRanges](#) object containing the ranges.

strand a 'factor' [Rle](#) object containing the [strand](#) information.

mcols a [DataFrame](#) object containing the metadata columns. Columns cannot be named "seqnames", "ranges", "strand", "seqlevels", "seqlengths", "isCircular", "start", "end", "width", or "element".

seqinfo a [Seqinfo](#) object containing information about the set of genomic sequences present in the GRanges object.

## Constructor

`GRanges(seqnames = Rle(), ranges = IRanges(), strand = Rle("*", length(seqnames)), ...)`  
Creates a GRanges object.

seqnames [Rle](#) object, character vector, or factor containing the sequence names.

ranges [IRanges](#) object containing the ranges.

strand [Rle](#) object, character vector, or factor containing the strand information.

... Optional metadata columns. These columns cannot be named "start", "end", "width", or "element". A named integer vector "seqlength" can be used instead of seqinfo.

seqlengths an integer vector named with the sequence names and containing the lengths (or NA) for each level(seqnames).

seqinfo a [Seqinfo](#) object containing allowed sequence names and lengths (or NA) for each level(seqnames).

## Coercion

In the code snippets below, x is a GRanges object.

`as(from, "GRanges")`: Creates a GRanges object from a RangedData, RangesList, RleList or RleViewsList object.

Coercing a data.frame or DataFrame into a GRanges object is also supported. See [makeGRangesFromDataFrame](#) for the details.

`as(from, "RangedData")`: Creates a RangedData object from a GRanges object. The strand and metadata columns become columns in the result. The seqlengths(from), isCircular(from), and genome(from) vectors are stored in the metadata columns of ranges(rd).

`as(from, "RangesList")`: Creates a RangesList object from a GRanges object. The strand and metadata columns become *inner* metadata columns (i.e. metadata columns on the ranges). The seqlengths(from), isCircular(from), and genome(from) vectors become the metadata columns.

`as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)`: Creates a `data.frame` with columns `seqnames` (factor), `start` (integer), `end` (integer), `width` (integer), `strand` (factor), as well as the additional metadata columns stored in `mcols(x)`. Pass an explicit `stringsAsFactors=TRUE/FALSE` argument via `...` to override the default conversions for the metadata columns in `mcols(x)`.

## Accessors

In the following code snippets, `x` is a `GRanges` object.

`length(x)`: Get the number of elements.

`seqnames(x)`, `seqnames(x) <- value`: Get or set the sequence names. `value` can be an [Rle](#) object, a character vector, or a factor.

`ranges(x)`, `ranges(x) <- value`: Get or set the ranges. `value` can be a `Ranges` object.

`names(x)`, `names(x) <- value`: Get or set the names of the elements.

`strand(x)`, `strand(x) <- value`: Get or set the strand. `value` can be an `Rle` object, character vector, or factor.

`mcols(x, use.names=FALSE)`, `mcols(x) <- value`: Get or set the metadata columns. If `use.names=TRUE` and the metadata columns are not `NULL`, then the names of `x` are propagated as the row names of the returned `DataFrame` object. When setting the metadata columns, the supplied value must be `NULL` or a `data.frame`-like object (i.e. [DataTable](#) or `data.frame`) object holding element-wise metadata.

`elementMetadata(x)`, `elementMetadata(x) <- value`, `values(x)`, `values(x) <- value`: Alternatives to `mcols` functions. Their use is discouraged.

`seqinfo(x)`, `seqinfo(x) <- value`: Get or set the information about the underlying sequences. `value` must be a [Seqinfo](#) object.

`seqlevels(x)`, `seqlevels(x, force=FALSE) <- value`: Get or set the sequence levels. `seqlevels(x)` is equivalent to `seqlevels(seqinfo(x))` or to `levels(seqnames(x))`, those 2 expressions being guaranteed to return identical character vectors on a `GRanges` object. `value` must be a character vector with no `NA`s. See [?seqlevels](#) for more information.

`seqlengths(x)`, `seqlengths(x) <- value`: Get or set the sequence lengths. `seqlengths(x)` is equivalent to `seqlengths(seqinfo(x))`. `value` can be a named non-negative integer or numeric vector eventually with `NA`s.

`isCircular(x)`, `isCircular(x) <- value`: Get or set the circularity flags. `isCircular(x)` is equivalent to `isCircular(seqinfo(x))`. `value` must be a named logical vector eventually with `NA`s.

`genome(x)`, `genome(x) <- value`: Get or set the genome identifier or assembly name for each sequence. `genome(x)` is equivalent to `genome(seqinfo(x))`. `value` must be a named character vector eventually with `NA`s.

`seqlevelsStyle(x)`, `seqlevelsStyle(x) <- value`: Get or set the seqname style for `x`. See the [seqlevelsStyle](#) generic getter and setter in the **GenomeInfoDb** package for more information.

`score(x)`, `score(x) <- value`: Get or set the “score” column from the element metadata.

### Ranges methods

In the following code snippets, `x` is a `GRanges` object.

`start(x)`, `start(x) <- value`: Get or set `start(ranges(x))`.

`end(x)`, `end(x) <- value`: Get or set `end(ranges(x))`.

`width(x)`, `width(x) <- value`: Get or set `width(ranges(x))`.

### Splitting and Combining

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GRanges` object.

`append(x, values, after = length(x))`: Inserts the `values` into `x` at the position given by `after`, where `x` and `values` are of the same class.

`c(x, ...)`: Combines `x` and the `GRanges` objects in `...` together. Any object in `...` must belong to the same class as `x`, or to one of its subclasses, or must be `NULL`. The result is an object of the same class as `x`.

`c(x, ..., ignore.mcols=FALSE)` If the `GRanges` objects have metadata columns (represented as one `DataFrame` per object), each such `DataFrame` must have the same columns in order to combine successfully. In order to circumvent this restraint, you can pass in an `ignore.mcols=TRUE` argument which will combine all the objects into one and drop all of their metadata columns.

`split(x, f, drop=FALSE)`: Splits `x` according to `f` to create a `GRangesList` object. If `f` is a list-like object then `drop` is ignored and `f` is treated as if it was `rep(seq_len(length(f)), sapply(f, length))`, so the returned object has the same shape as `f` (it also receives the names of `f`). Otherwise, if `f` is not a list-like object, empty list elements are removed from the returned object if `drop` is `TRUE`.

`tile(x, n, width)`: Splits `x` into a `GRangesList`, each element of which corresponds to a tile, or partition, of `x`. Specify the tile geometry with either `n` or `width` (not both). Passing `n` creates `n` tiles of approximately equal width, truncated by sequence end, while passing `width` tiles the region with ranges of the given width, again truncated by sequence end.

### Subsetting

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GRanges` object.

`x[i, j]`, `x[i, j] <- value`: Get or set elements `i` with optional metadata columns `mcols(x)[, j]`, where `i` can be missing; an NA-free logical, numeric, or character vector; or a 'logical' Rle object.

`x[i, j] <- value`: Replaces elements `i` and optional metadata columns `j` with `value`.

`head(x, n = 6L)`: If `n` is non-negative, returns the first `n` elements of the `GRanges` object. If `n` is negative, returns all but the last `abs(n)` elements of the `GRanges` object.

`rep(x, times, length.out, each)`: Repeats the values in `x` through one of the following conventions:

`times` Vector giving the number of times to repeat each element if of length `length(x)`, or to repeat the whole vector if of length 1.

`length.out` Non-negative integer. The desired length of the output vector.

`each` Non-negative integer. Each element of `x` is repeated each `times`.



`subset(x, subset)`: Returns a new object of the same class as `x` made of the subset using logical vector `subset`, where missing values are taken as `FALSE`.

`tail(x, n = 6L)`: If `n` is non-negative, returns the last `n` elements of the `GRanges` object. If `n` is negative, returns all but the first `abs(n)` elements of the `GRanges` object.

`window(x, start = NA, end = NA, width = NA, frequency = NULL, delta = NULL, ...)`: Extracts the subsequence window from the `GRanges` object using:

`start, end, width` The start, end, or width of the window. Two of the three are required.

`frequency, delta` Optional arguments that specify the sampling frequency and increment within the window.

In general, this is more efficient than using `"["` operator.

`window(x, start = NA, end = NA, width = NA, keepLength = TRUE) <- value`: Replaces the subsequence window specified on the left (i.e. the subsequence in `x` specified by `start`, `end` and `width`) by `value`. `value` must either be of class `class(x)`, belong to a subclass of `class(x)`, be coercible to `class(x)`, or be `NULL`. If `keepLength` is `TRUE`, the elements of `value` are repeated to create a `GRanges` object with the same number of elements as the width of the subsequence window it is replacing. If `keepLength` is `FALSE`, this replacement method can modify the length of `x`, depending on how the length of the left subsequence window compares to the length of `value`.

`x$name, x$name <- value`: Shortcuts for `mcols(x)$name` and `mcols(x)$name <- value`, respectively. Provided as a convenience, for `GRanges` objects *only*, and as the result of strong popular demand. Note that those methods are not consistent with the other `$` and `$<-` methods in the `IRanges/GenomicRanges` infrastructure, and might confuse some users by making them believe that a `GRanges` object can be manipulated as a `data.frame`-like object. Therefore we recommend using them only interactively, and we discourage their use in scripts or packages. For the latter, use `mcols(x)$name` and `mcols(x)$name <- value`, instead of `x$name` and `x$name <- value`, respectively.

## Other methods

`show(x)`: By default the `show` method displays 5 head and 5 tail elements. This can be changed by setting the global options `showHeadLines` and `showTailLines`. If the object length is less than (or equal to) the sum of these 2 options plus 1, then the full object is displayed. Note that these options also affect the display of `GAlignments` and `GAlignmentPairs` objects (defined in the **GenomicAlignments** package), as well as other objects defined in the **IRanges** and **Biostrings** packages (e.g. `IRanges` and `DNASTringSet` objects).

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[makeGRangesFromDataFrame](#), [GRangesList-class](#), [seqinfo](#), [Vector-class](#), [Ranges-class](#), [Rle-class](#), [DataFrame-class](#), [intra-range-methods](#), [inter-range-methods](#), [setops-methods](#), [findOverlaps-methods](#), [nearest-methods](#), [coverage-methods](#)

**Examples**

```

seqinfo <- Seqinfo(paste0("chr", 1:3), c(1000, 2000, 1500), NA, "mock1")
gr <-
  GRanges(seqnames =
    Rle(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1", "chr3"), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
    ranges = IRanges(
      1:10, width = 10:1, names = head(letters,10)),
    strand = Rle(
      strand(c("-", "+", "x", "+", "-")),
      c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
    score = 1:10,
    GC = seq(1, 0, length=10),
    seqinfo=seqinfo)

gr

## Summarizing elements
table(seqnames(gr))
sum(width(gr))
summary(mcols(gr)[,"score"])

## Renaming the underlying sequences
seqlevels(gr)
seqlevels(gr) <- sub("chr", "Chrom", seqlevels(gr))
gr
seqlevels(gr) <- sub("Chrom", "chr", seqlevels(gr)) # revert

## Combining objects
gr2 <- GRanges(seqnames=Rle(c(chr1, chr2, chr3), c(3, 3, 4)),
  IRanges(1:10, width=5), strand=-,
  score=101:110, GC = runif(10),
  seqinfo=seqinfo)
gr3 <- GRanges(seqnames=Rle(c(chr1, chr2, chr3), c(3, 4, 3)),
  IRanges(101:110, width=10), strand=-,
  score=21:30,
  seqinfo=seqinfo)
some.gr <- c(gr, gr2)

## all.gr <- c(gr, gr2, gr3) ## (This would fail)
all.gr <- c(gr, gr2, gr3, ignore.mcols=TRUE)

## The number of lines displayed in the show method
## are controlled with two global options.
longGR <- c(gr[,"score"], gr2[,"score"], gr3)
longGR
options("showHeadLines"]=7)
options("showTailLines"]=2)
longGR

## Revert to default values
options("showHeadLines"]=NULL)
options("showTailLines"]=NULL)

```

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GRangesList-class      *GRangesList objects*


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## Description

The GRangesList class is a container for storing a collection of GRanges objects. It is derived from GenomicRangesList.

## Constructors

GRangesList(...): Creates a GRangesList object using GRanges objects supplied in ...

makeGRangesListFromFeatureFragments(seqnames=Rle(factor()), fragmentStarts=list(), fragmentEnds=list(), ...): Constructs a GRangesList object from a list of fragmented features. See the Examples section below.

## Accessors

In the following code snippets, x is a GRanges object.

length(x): Get the number of list elements.

names(x), names(x) <- value: Get or set the names on x.

elementLengths(x): Get the length of each of the list elements.

isEmpty(x): Returns a logical indicating either if the GRangesList has no elements or if all its elements are empty.

seqnames(x), seqnames(x) <- value: Get or set the sequence names in the form of an RleList. value can be an RleList or CharacterList object.

ranges(x, use.mcols=FALSE), ranges(x) <- value: Get or set the ranges in the form of a CompressedIRangesList. value can be a RangesList object.

start(x), start(x) <- value: Get or set start(ranges(x)).

end(x), end(x) <- value: Get or set end(ranges(x)).

width(x), width(x) <- value: Get or set width(ranges(x)).

strand(x), strand(x) <- value: Get or set the strand in the form of an RleList. value can be an RleList or CharacterList object.

mcols(x, use.names=FALSE), mcols(x) <- value: Get or set the metadata columns. value can be NULL, or a data.frame-like object (i.e. [DataFrame](#) or data.frame) holding element-wise metadata.

elementMetadata(x), elementMetadata(x) <- value, values(x), values(x) <- value: Alternatives to mcols functions. Their use is discouraged.

seqinfo(x), seqinfo(x) <- value: Get or set the information about the underlying sequences. value must be a [Seqinfo](#) object.

seqlevels(x), seqlevels(x, force=FALSE) <- value: Get or set the sequence levels. seqlevels(x) is equivalent to seqlevels(seqinfo(x)) or to levels(seqnames(x)), those 2 expressions being guaranteed to return identical character vectors on a GRangesList object. value must be a character vector with no NAs. See [?seqlevels](#) for more information.

`seqlengths(x)`, `seqlengths(x) <- value`: Get or set the sequence lengths. `seqlengths(x)` is equivalent to `seqlengths(seqinfo(x))`. `value` can be a named non-negative integer or numeric vector eventually with NAs.

`isCircular(x)`, `isCircular(x) <- value`: Get or set the circularity flags. `isCircular(x)` is equivalent to `isCircular(seqinfo(x))`. `value` must be a named logical vector eventually with NAs.

`genome(x)`, `genome(x) <- value`: Get or set the genome identifier or assembly name for each sequence. `genome(x)` is equivalent to `genome(seqinfo(x))`. `value` must be a named character vector eventually with NAs.

`seqlevelsStyle(x)`, `seqlevelsStyle(x) <- value`: Get or set the seqname style for `x`. See the [seqlevelsStyle](#) generic getter and setter in the **GenomeInfoDb** package for more information.

`score(x)`, `score(x) <- value`: Get or set the “score” metadata column.

### Coercion

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GRangesList` object.

`as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE)`: Creates a `data.frame` with columns `element` (character), `seqnames` (factor), `start` (integer), `end` (integer), `width` (integer), `strand` (factor), as well as the additional metadata columns (accessed with `mcols(unlist(x))`).

`as.list(x, use.names = TRUE)`: Creates a list containing the elements of `x`.

`as(x, "IRangesList")`: Turns `x` into an [IRangesList](#) object.

`as(from, "GRangesList")`: Creates a `GRangesList` object from a [RangedDataList](#) object.

### Subsetting

In the following code snippets, `x` is a `GRangesList` object.

`x[i, j]`, `x[i, j] <- value`: Get or set elements `i` with optional metadata columns `mcols(x)[, j]`, where `i` can be missing; an NA-free logical, numeric, or character vector; a ‘logical’ Rle object, or an `AtomicList` object.

`x[[i]]`, `x[[i]] <- value`: Get or set element `i`, where `i` is a numeric or character vector of length 1.

`x$name`, `x$name <- value`: Get or set element name, where `name` is a name or character vector of length 1.

`head(x, n = 6L)`: If `n` is non-negative, returns the first `n` elements of the `GRangesList` object. If `n` is negative, returns all but the last `abs(n)` elements of the `GRangesList` object.

`rep(x, times, length.out, each)`: Repeats the values in `x` through one of the following conventions:

`times` Vector giving the number of times to repeat each element if of length `length(x)`, or to repeat the whole vector if of length 1.

`length.out` Non-negative integer. The desired length of the output vector.

`each` Non-negative integer. Each element of `x` is repeated each times.

`subset(x, subset)`: Returns a new object of the same class as `x` made of the subset using logical vector `subset`, where missing values are taken as `FALSE`.

`tail(x, n = 6L)`: If `n` is non-negative, returns the last `n` elements of the `GRanges` object. If `n` is negative, returns all but the first `abs(n)` elements of the `GRanges` object.

## Combining

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GRangesList` object.

`c(x, ...)`: Combines `x` and the `GRangesList` objects in `...` together. Any object in `...` must belong to the same class as `x`, or to one of its subclasses, or must be `NULL`. The result is an object of the same class as `x`.

`append(x, values, after = length(x))`: Inserts the `values` into `x` at the position given by `after`, where `x` and `values` are of the same class.

`unlist(x, recursive = TRUE, use.names = TRUE)`: Concatenates the elements of `x` into a single `GRanges` object.

## Looping

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GRangesList` object.

`endoapply(X, FUN, ...)`: Similar to `lapply`, but performs an endomorphism, i.e. returns an object of `class(X)`.

`lapply(X, FUN, ...)`: Like the standard `lapply` function defined in the base package, the `lapply` method for `GRangesList` objects returns a list of the same length as `X`, with each element being the result of applying `FUN` to the corresponding element of `X`.

`Map(f, ...)`: Applies a function to the corresponding elements of given `GRangesList` objects.

`mapply(FUN, ..., MoreArgs = NULL, SIMPLIFY = TRUE, USE.NAMES = TRUE)`: Like the standard `mapply` function defined in the base package, the `mapply` method for `GRangesList` objects is a multivariate version of `sapply`.

`mendoapply(FUN, ..., MoreArgs = NULL)`: Similar to `mapply`, but performs an endomorphism across multiple objects, i.e. returns an object of `class(list(...)[[1]])`.

`Reduce(f, x, init, right = FALSE, accumulate = FALSE)`: Uses a binary function to successively combine the elements of `x` and a possibly given initial value.

**f** A binary argument function.

**init** An R object of the same kind as the elements of `x`.

**right** A logical indicating whether to proceed from left to right (default) or from right to left.

**nomatch** The value to be returned in the case when "no match" (no element satisfying the predicate) is found.

`sapply(X, FUN, ..., simplify=TRUE, USE.NAMES=TRUE)`: Like the standard `sapply` function defined in the base package, the `sapply` method for `GRangesList` objects is a user-friendly version of `lapply` by default returning a vector or matrix if appropriate.

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## See Also

[GRanges-class](#), [seqinfo](#), [Vector-class](#), [RangesList-class](#), [RleList-class](#), [DataFrameList-class](#), [intra-range-methods](#), [inter-range-methods](#), [coverage-methods](#), [setops-methods](#), [findOverlaps-methods](#)

**Examples**

```

## Construction with GRangesList():
gr1 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = "chr2", ranges = IRanges(3, 6),
          strand = "+", score = 5L, GC = 0.45)
gr2 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = c("chr1", "chr1"),
          ranges = IRanges(c(7,13), width = 3),
          strand = c("+", "-"), score = 3:4, GC = c(0.3, 0.5))
gr3 <-
  GRanges(seqnames = c("chr1", "chr2"),
          ranges = IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
          strand = c("-", "-"), score = c(6L, 2L), GC = c(0.4, 0.1))
grl <- GRangesList("gr1" = gr1, "gr2" = gr2, "gr3" = gr3)
grl

## Summarizing elements:
elementLengths(grl)
table(seqnames(grl))

## Extracting subsets:
grl[seqnames(grl) == "chr1", ]
grl[seqnames(grl) == "chr1" & strand(grl) == "+", ]

## Renaming the underlying sequences:
seqlevels(grl)
seqlevels(grl) <- sub("chr", "Chrom", seqlevels(grl))
grl

## Coerce to IRangesList (seqnames and strand information is lost):
as(grl, "IRangesList")

## isDisjoint():
isDisjoint(grl)

## disjoint():
disjoin(grl) # metadata columns and order NOT preserved

## Construction with makeGRangesListFromFeatureFragments():
filepath <- system.file("extdata", "feature_fragments.txt",
                        package="GenomicRanges")
featfrags <- read.table(filepath, header=TRUE, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
grl2 <- with(featfrags,
            makeGRangesListFromFeatureFragments(seqnames=targetName,
                                                fragmentStarts=targetStart,
                                                fragmentWidths=blockSizes,
                                                strand=strand))

names(grl2) <- featfrags$RefSeqID
grl2

```



drop.empty.ranges, min.gapwidth, with.revmap, with.mapping, with.inframe.attrib, start, end  
See [?inter-range-methods](#) in the IRanges package.

ignore.strand TRUE or FALSE. Whether the strand of the input ranges should be ignored or not.  
See details below.

... For range, additional GenomicRanges objects to consider. Ignored otherwise.

na.rm Ignored.

## Details

**On a GRanges object:** range returns an object of the same type as `x` containing range bounds for each distinct (seqname, strand) pairing. The names (`names(x)`) and the metadata columns in `x` are dropped.

reduce returns an object of the same type as `x` containing reduced ranges for each distinct (seqname, strand) pairing. The names (`names(x)`) and the metadata columns in `x` are dropped. See [?reduce](#) for more information about range reduction and for a description of the optional arguments.

gaps returns an object of the same type as `x` containing complemented ranges for each distinct (seqname, strand) pairing. The names (`names(x)`) and the columns in `x` are dropped. For the start and end arguments of this gaps method, it is expected that the user will supply a named integer vector (where the names correspond to the appropriate seqlevels). See [?gaps](#) for more information about range complements and for a description of the optional arguments.

disjoin returns an object of the same type as `x` containing disjoint ranges for each distinct (seqname, strand) pairing. The names (`names(x)`) and the metadata columns in `x` are dropped.

isDisjoint returns a logical value indicating whether the ranges in `x` are disjoint (i.e. non-overlapping).

disjointBins returns bin indexes for the ranges in `x`, such that ranges in the same bin do not overlap. If `ignore.strand=FALSE`, the two features cannot overlap if they are on different strands.

**On a GRangesList object:** When they are supported on GRangesList object `x`, the above inter range transformations will apply the transformation to each of the list elements in `x` and return a list-like object *parallel* to `x` (i.e. with 1 list element per list element in `x`). If `x` has names on it, they're propagated to the returned object.

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## See Also

- The [GenomicRanges](#) and [GRanges](#) classes.
- The [Ranges](#) class in the IRanges package.
- The [inter-range-methods](#) man page in the IRanges package.
- [GenomicRanges-comparison](#) for comparing and ordering genomic ranges.



**Examples**

```

gr <- GRanges(
  seqnames=Rle(paste("chr", c(1, 2, 1, 3), sep=""), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
  ranges=IRanges(1:10, width=10:1, names=letters[1:10]),
  strand=Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*", "+", "-")), c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
  score=1:10,
  GC=seq(1, 0, length=10)
)
gr

gr1 <- GRanges(seqnames="chr2", ranges=IRanges(3, 6),
  strand="+", score=5L, GC=0.45)
gr2 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr1"),
  ranges=IRanges(c(7,13), width=3),
  strand=c("+", "-"), score=3:4, GC=c(0.3, 0.5))
gr3 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr2"),
  ranges=IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
  strand=c("-", "-"), score=c(6L, 2L), GC=c(0.4, 0.1))
grl <- GRangesList(gr1=gr1, gr2=gr2, gr3=gr3)
grl

## -----
## range()
## -----

## On a GRanges object:
range(gr)

## On a GRangesList object:
range(grl)

# -----
## reduce()
## -----
reduce(gr)

gr2 <- reduce(gr, with.revmap=TRUE)
revmap <- mcols(gr2)$revmap # an IntegerList

## Use the mapping from reduced to original ranges to group the original
## ranges by reduced range:
relist(gr[unlist(revmap)], revmap)

## Or use it to split the DataFrame of original metadata columns by
## reduced range:
relist(mcols(gr)[unlist(revmap), ], revmap) # a SplitDataFrameList

## [For advanced users] Use this reverse mapping to compare the reduced
## ranges with the ranges they originate from:
expanded_gr2 <- rep(gr2, elementLengths(revmap))
reordered_gr <- gr[unlist(revmap)]
codes <- compare(expanded_gr2, reordered_gr)

```

```

## All the codes should translate to "d", "e", "g", or "h" (the 4 letters
## indicating that the range on the left contains the range on the right):
alphacodes <- rangeComparisonCodeToLetter(compare(expanded_gr2, reordered_gr))
stopifnot(all(alphacodes %in% c("d", "e", "g", "h")))

## On a big GRanges object with a lot of seqlevels:
mcols(gr) <- NULL
biggr <- c(gr, GRanges("chr1", IRanges(c(4, 1), c(5, 2)), strand="+"))
seqlevels(biggr) <- paste0("chr", 1:2000)
biggr <- rep(biggr, 25000)
set.seed(33)
seqnames(biggr) <- sample(factor(seqlevels(biggr), levels=seqlevels(biggr)),
                          length(biggr), replace=TRUE)

biggr2 <- reduce(biggr, with.revmap=TRUE)
revmap <- mcols(biggr2)$revmap
expanded_biggr2 <- rep(biggr2, elementLengths(revmap))
reordered_biggr <- biggr[unlist(revmap)]
codes <- compare(expanded_biggr2, reordered_biggr)
alphacodes <- rangeComparisonCodeToLetter(compare(expanded_biggr2,
                                                  reordered_biggr))
stopifnot(all(alphacodes %in% c("d", "e", "g", "h")))
table(alphacodes)

## On a GRangesList object:
reduce(grl) # Doesn't really reduce anything but note the reordering
            # of the inner elements in the 3rd top-level element: the
            # ranges are reordered by sequence name first (the order of
            # the sequence names is dictated by the sequence levels),
            # and then by strand.

## -----
## gaps()
## -----
gaps(gr, start=1, end=10)

## -----
## disjoint(), isDisjoint(), disjointBins()
## -----
disjoin(gr)
isDisjoint(gr)
stopifnot(isDisjoint(disjoin(gr)))
disjointBins(gr)
stopifnot(all(sapply(split(gr, disjointBins(gr)), isDisjoint)))

```

## Description

This man page documents intra range transformations of a [GenomicRanges](#) object (i.e. of an object that belongs to the [GenomicRanges](#) class or one of its subclasses, this includes for example [GRanges](#) objects), or a [GRangesList](#) object.

See [?intra-range-methods](#) and [?inter-range-methods](#) in the **IRanges** package for a quick introduction to intra range and inter range transformations.

Intra range methods for [GAlignments](#) and [GAlignmentsList](#) objects are defined and documented in the **GenomicAlignments** package.

See [?inter-range-methods](#) for inter range transformations of a [GenomicRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) object.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
shift(x, shift=0L, use.names=TRUE)
## S4 method for signature GRangesList
shift(x, shift=0L, use.names=TRUE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
narrow(x, start=NA, end=NA, width=NA, use.names=TRUE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
flank(x, width, start=TRUE, both=FALSE,
      use.names=TRUE, ignore.strand=FALSE)
## S4 method for signature GRangesList
flank(x, width, start=TRUE, both=FALSE,
      use.names=TRUE, ignore.strand=FALSE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
promoters(x, upstream=2000, downstream=200, ...)
## S4 method for signature GRangesList
promoters(x, upstream=2000, downstream=200, ...)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
resize(x, width, fix="start", use.names=TRUE,
       ignore.strand=FALSE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
restrict(x, start=NA, end=NA, keep.all.ranges=FALSE,
        use.names=TRUE)
## S4 method for signature GRangesList
restrict(x, start=NA, end=NA, keep.all.ranges=FALSE,
        use.names=TRUE)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges
trim(x, use.names=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` A [GenomicRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#) object.
- `shift`, `use.names`, `start`, `end`, `width`, `both`, `fix`, `keep.all.ranges`, `upstream`, `downstream`  
See [?intra-range-methods](#).
- `ignore.strand` TRUE or FALSE. Whether the strand of the input ranges should be ignored or not.  
See details below.
- ... Additional arguments to methods.

**Details**

- `shift` behaves like the `shift` method for [Ranges](#) objects. See [?intra-range-methods](#) for the details.
- `()narrow` on a [GenomicRanges](#) object behaves like on a [Ranges](#) object. See [?intra-range-methods](#) for the details.  
A major difference though is that it returns a [GenomicRanges](#) object instead of a [Ranges](#) object. The returned object is *parallel* (i.e. same length and names) to the original object `x`.
- `flank` returns an object of the same type and length as `x` containing intervals of width `width` that flank the intervals in `x`. The `start` argument takes a logical indicating whether `x` should be flanked at the "start" (TRUE) or the "end" (FALSE), which for `strand(x) != "-"` is `start(x)` and `end(x)` respectively and for `strand(x) == "-"` is `end(x)` and `start(x)` respectively. The `both` argument takes a single logical value indicating whether the flanking region width positions extends *into* the range. If `both=TRUE`, the resulting range thus straddles the end point, with `width` positions on either side.
- `promoters` returns an object of the same type and length as `x` containing promoter ranges. Promoter ranges extend around the transcription start site (TSS) which is defined as `start(x)`. The `upstream` and `downstream` arguments define the number of nucleotides in the 5' and 3' direction, respectively. The full range is defined as,  $(start(x) - upstream)$  to  $(start(x) + downstream - 1)$ .  
Ranges on the `*` strand are treated the same as those on the `+` strand. When no `seqlengths` are present in `x`, it is possible to have non-positive start values in the promoter ranges. This occurs when  $(TSS - upstream) < 1$ . In the equal but opposite case, the end values of the ranges may extend beyond the chromosome end when  $(TSS + downstream + 1) > \text{'chromosome end'}$ . When `seqlengths` are not NA the promoter ranges are kept within the bounds of the defined `seqlengths`.
- `resize` returns an object of the same type and length as `x` containing intervals that have been resized to width `width` based on the `strand(x)` values. Elements where `strand(x) == "+"` or `strand(x) == "*"` are anchored at `start(x)` and elements where `strand(x) == "-"` are anchored at the `end(x)`. The `use.names` argument determines whether or not to keep the names on the ranges.
- `restrict` returns an object of the same type and length as `x` containing restricted ranges for distinct `seqnames`. The `start` and `end` arguments can be a named numeric vector of `seqnames` for the ranges to be restricted or a numeric vector of length 1 if the restriction operation is to be applied to all the sequences in `x`. See [?intra-range-methods](#) for more information about range restriction and for a description of the optional arguments.
- `trim` subsets the ranges in `x` to fall within the valid `seqlengths`. If no `seqlengths` are present, negative start values are set to 1L and end values are not touched.

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**See Also**

- [GenomicRanges](#), [GRanges](#), and [GRangesList](#) objects.
- The [intra-range-methods](#) man page in the **IRanges** package.
- The [Ranges](#) class in the **IRanges** package.

**Examples**

```
## -----
## A. ON A GRanges OBJECT
## -----
gr <- GRanges(
  seqnames=Rle(paste("chr", c(1, 2, 1, 3), sep=""), c(1, 3, 2, 4)),
  ranges=IRanges(1:10, width=10:1, names=letters[1:10]),
  strand=Rle(strand(c("-", "+", "*", "+", "-")), c(1, 2, 2, 3, 2)),
  score=1:10,
  GC=seq(1, 0, length=10)
)
gr

shift(gr, 1)
narrow(gr[-10], start=2, end=-2)
flank(gr, 10)
resize(gr, 10)
restrict(gr, start=3, end=7)

gr <- GRanges("chr1", IRanges(rep(10, 3), width=6), c("+", "-", "*"))
promoters(gr, 2, 2)

## -----
## B. ON A GRangesList OBJECT
## -----
gr1 <- GRanges("chr2", IRanges(3, 6))
gr2 <- GRanges(c("chr1", "chr1"), IRanges(c(7,13), width=3),
  strand=c("+", "-"))
gr3 <- GRanges(c("chr1", "chr2"), IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
  strand="-")
grl <- GRangesList(gr1= gr1, gr2=gr2, gr3=gr3)
grl

flank(grl, width =20)

restrict(grl, start=3)
```

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```
makeGRangesFromDataFrame
```

*Make a GRanges object from a data.frame or DataFrame*

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## Description

makeGRangesFromDataFrame finds the fields in the input that describe genomic ranges and returns them as a [GRanges](#) object.

For convenience, coercing a data.frame or [DataFrame](#) df into a [GRanges](#) object is supported and does makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, keep.extra.columns=TRUE)

## Usage

```
makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df,
  keep.extra.columns=FALSE,
  ignore.strand=FALSE,
  seqinfo=NULL,
  seqnames.field=c("seqnames", "chr", "chrom"),
  start.field=c("start", "chromStart"),
  end.field=c("end", "chromEnd", "stop", "chromStop"),
  strand.field="strand",
  starts.in.df.are.0based=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

df	A data.frame or <a href="#">DataFrame</a> object.
keep.extra.columns	TRUE or FALSE (the default). If TRUE, then the columns in df that are not used to form the genomic ranges returned in the <a href="#">GRanges</a> object will be stored in it as metadata columns. Otherwise, they will be ignored.
ignore.strand	TRUE or FALSE (the default). If TRUE, then the strand of the returned <a href="#">GRanges</a> object will be set to "*".
seqinfo	Either NULL, or a <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> object, or a character vector of seqlevels, or a named numeric vector of sequence lengths. When not NULL, it must be compatible with the genomic ranges in df i.e. it must include at least the sequence levels represented in df.
seqnames.field	A character vector of recognized names for the column in df that contains the chromosome name (a.k.a. sequence name) associated with each genomic range. Only the first name in seqnames.field that is found in colnames(df) will be used. If no one is found, then an error is raised.
start.field	A character vector of recognized names for the column in df that contains the start positions of the genomic ranges. Only the first name in start.field that is found in colnames(df) will be used. If no one is found, then an error is raised.

<code>end.field</code>	A character vector of recognized names for the column in <code>df</code> that contains the end positions of the genomic ranges. Only the first name in <code>start.field</code> that is found in <code>colnames(df)</code> will be used. If no one is found, then an error is raised.
<code>strand.field</code>	A character vector of recognized names for the column in <code>df</code> that contains the strand associated with each genomic range. Only the first name in <code>strand.field</code> that is found in <code>colnames(df)</code> will be used. If no one is found or if <code>ignore.strand</code> is TRUE, then the strand of the returned <a href="#">GRanges</a> object will be set to "*".
<code>starts.in.df.are.0based</code>	TRUE or FALSE (the default). If TRUE, then the start positions of the genomic ranges in <code>df</code> are considered to be 0-based and are converted to 1-based in the returned <a href="#">GRanges</a> object. This feature is intended to make it more convenient to handle input that contains data obtained from resources using the "0-based start" convention. A notorious example of such resource is the UCSC Table Browser ( <a href="http://genome.ucsc.edu/cgi-bin/hgTables">http://genome.ucsc.edu/cgi-bin/hgTables</a> ).

### Value

A [GRanges](#) object with one element per row in the input.

If the `seqinfo` argument was supplied, the returned object will have exactly the `seqlevels` specified in `seqinfo` and in the same order.

If `df` has non-automatic row names (i.e. `rownames(df)` is not NULL or `seq_len(nrow(df))`), then they will be used to set the names of the returned [GRanges](#) object.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

- [GRanges](#) objects.
- [Seqinfo](#) objects.
- The [makeGRangesListFromFeatureFragments](#) function for making a [GRangesList](#) object from a list of fragmented features.
- The [getTable](#) function in the **rtracklayer** package for an R interface to the UCSC Table Browser.
- [DataFrame](#) objects in the **IRanges** package.

### Examples

```
df <- data.frame(chr="chr1", start=11:13, end=12:14,
                strand=c("+", "-", "+"), score=1:3)

makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df)
gr <- makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, keep.extra.columns=TRUE)
gr2 <- as(df, "GRanges") # equivalent to the above
stopifnot(identical(gr, gr2))

makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, ignore.strand=TRUE)
```

```

makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, keep.extra.columns=TRUE,
                        ignore.strand=TRUE)

makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, seqinfo=paste0("chr", 4:1))
makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, seqinfo=c(chrM=NA, chr1=500, chrX=100))
makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, seqinfo=Seqinfo(paste0("chr", 4:1)))

if (require(rtracklayer)) {
  session <- browserSession()
  genome(session) <- "sacCer2"
  query <- ucscTableQuery(session, "Most Conserved")
  df <- getTable(query)

  ## A common pitfall is to forget that the UCSC Table Browser uses the
  ## "0-based start" convention:
  gr0 <- makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, keep.extra.columns=TRUE)
  head(gr0)
  min(start(gr0))

  ## The start positions need to be converted into 1-based positions,
  ## to adhere to the convention used in Bioconductor:
  gr1 <- makeGRangesFromDataFrame(df, keep.extra.columns=TRUE,
                                starts.in.df.are.0based=TRUE)

  head(gr1)
}

```

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map-methods

*Mapping ranges between sequences*


---

## Description

A method for translating a set of input ranges through a [GRangesList](#) object. Returns a [RangesMapping](#) object.

NOTE: The [map](#) generic function is defined and documented in the **IRanges** package. A method for translating a set of input ranges through a [GAlignments](#) object is defined and documented in the **GenomicAlignments** package.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GRangesList
map(from, to)
```

## Arguments

from	The input ranges to map, usually a <a href="#">GenomicRanges</a>
to	The alignment between the sequences in from and the sequences in the result.



**Details**

Each element in `to` is taken to represent an alignment of a sequence on a genome. The typical case is a set of transcript models, as might be obtained via `GenomicFeatures::exonsBy`. The method translates the input ranges to be relative to the transcript start. This is useful, for example, when predicting coding consequences of changes to the genomic sequence.

**Value**

An object of class `RangesMapping`. The **GenomicRanges** package provides some additional methods on this object:

`as(from, "GenomicRanges")`: Creates a `GenomicRanges` with seqnames and ranges from the space and ranges of `from`. The hits are coerced to a `DataFrame` and stored as the values of the result.

`granges(x)`: Like the above, except returns just the range information as a `GRanges`, without the matching information.

**Author(s)**

M. Lawrence

**See Also**

The `RangesMapping` class is the typical return value.

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nearest-methods

*Finding the nearest genomic range neighbor*

---

**Description**

The `nearest`, `precede`, `follow`, `distance` and `distanceToNearest` methods for `GenomicRanges` objects and subclasses.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
precede(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,missing
precede(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
follow(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,missing
follow(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
nearest(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
```

```

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,missing
nearest(x, subject, select=c("arbitrary", "all"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
distanceToNearest(x, subject, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,missing
distanceToNearest(x, subject, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature GenomicRanges,GenomicRanges
distance(x, y, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)

```

### Arguments

x	The query <a href="#">GenomicRanges</a> instance.
subject	The subject <a href="#">GenomicRanges</a> instance within which the nearest neighbors are found. Can be missing, in which case x is also the subject.
y	For the distance method, a GRanges instance. Cannot be missing. If x and y are not the same length, the shortest will be recycled to match the length of the longest.
select	Logic for handling ties. By default, all methods select a single interval (arbitrary for nearest, the first by order in subject for precede, and the last for follow). When select="all" a <a href="#">Hits</a> object is returned with all matches for x. If x does not have a match in subject the x is not included in the Hits object.
ignore.strand	A logical indicating if the strand of the input ranges should be ignored. When TRUE, strand is set to +.
...	Additional arguments for methods.

### Details

- nearest: Performs conventional nearest neighbor finding. Returns an integer vector containing the index of the nearest neighbor range in subject for each range in x. If there is no nearest neighbor NA is returned. For details of the algorithm see the man page in IRanges, ?nearest.
- precede: For each range in x, precede returns the index of the range in subject that is directly preceded by the range in x. Overlapping ranges are excluded. NA is returned when there are no qualifying ranges in subject.
- follow: The opposite of precede, follow returns the index of the range in subject that is directly followed by the range in x. Overlapping ranges are excluded. NA is returned when there are no qualifying ranges in subject.
- Orientation and Strand: The relevant orientation for precede and follow is 5' to 3', consistent with the direction of translation. Because positional numbering along a chromosome is from left to right and transcription takes place from 5' to 3', precede and follow can appear to have 'opposite' behavior on the + and - strand. Using positions 5 and 6 as an example, 5 precedes 6 on the + strand but follows 6 on the - strand.  
A range with strand \* can be compared to ranges on either the + or - strand. Below we outline the priority when ranges on multiple strands are compared. When ignore.strand=TRUE all ranges are treated as if on the + strand.

- x on + strand can match to ranges on both + and \* strands. In the case of a tie the first range by order is chosen.
- x on - strand can match to ranges on both - and \* strands. In the case of a tie the first range by order is chosen.
- x on \* strand can match to ranges on any of +, - or \* strands. In the case of a tie the first range by order is chosen.
- distanceToNearest: Returns the distance for each range in x to its nearest neighbor in the subject.
- distance: Returns the distance for each range in x to the range in y. The behavior of distance has changed in Bioconductor 2.12. See the man page ?distance in IRanges for details.

### Value

For nearest, precede and follow, an integer vector of indices in subject, or a [Hits](#) if select="all".

For distanceToNearest, a Hits object with a column for the query index (queryHits), subject index (subjectHits) and the distance between the pair.

For distance, an integer vector of distances between the ranges in x and y.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

- The [GenomicRanges](#) and [GRanges](#) classes.
- The [Ranges](#) and [Hits](#) classes in the IRanges package.
- The [nearest-methods](#) man page in the IRanges package.
- [findOverlaps-methods](#) for finding just the overlapping ranges.
- The [nearest-methods](#) man page in the GenomicFeatures package.

### Examples

```
## -----
## precede() and follow()
## -----
query <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(5, 20), width=1), strand="+")
subject <- GRanges("A", IRanges(rep(c(10, 15), 2), width=1),
                      strand=c("+", "+", "-", "-"))
precede(query, subject)
follow(query, subject)

strand(query) <- "-"
precede(query, subject)
follow(query, subject)

## ties choose first in order
query <- GRanges("A", IRanges(10, width=1), c("+", "-", "*"))
subject <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(5, 5, 5, 15, 15, 15), width=1),
```

```

      rep(c("+", "-", "*"), 2))
precede(query, subject)
precede(query, rev(subject))

## ignore.strand=TRUE treats all ranges as +
precede(query[1], subject[4:6], select="all", ignore.strand=FALSE)
precede(query[1], subject[4:6], select="all", ignore.strand=TRUE)

## -----
## nearest()
## -----
## When multiple ranges overlap an "arbitrary" range is chosen
query <- GRanges("A", IRanges(5, 15))
subject <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(1, 15), c(5, 19)))
nearest(query, subject)

## select="all" returns all hits
nearest(query, subject, select="all")

## Ranges in x will self-select when subject is present
query <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(1, 10), width=5))
nearest(query, query)

## Ranges in x will not self-select when subject is missing
nearest(query)

## -----
## distance(), distanceToNearest()
## -----
## Adjacent, overlap, separated by 1
query <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(1, 2, 10), c(5, 8, 11)))
subject <- GRanges("A", IRanges(c(6, 5, 13), c(10, 10, 15)))
distance(query, subject)

## recycling
distance(query[1], subject)

## zero-width ranges
zw <- GRanges("A", IRanges(4,3))
stopifnot(distance(zw, GRanges("A", IRanges(3,4))) == 0L)
sapply(-3:3, function(i)
  distance(shift(zw, i), GRanges("A", IRanges(4,3))))

query <- GRanges(c("A", "B"), IRanges(c(1, 5), width=1))
distanceToNearest(query, subject)

## distance() with GRanges and TranscriptDb see the
## ?distance,GenomicRanges,TranscriptDb-method man
## page in the GenomicFeatures package.

```

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phicoef

*Calculate the "phi coefficient" between two binary variables*

---

### Description

The phicoef function calculates the "phi coefficient" between two binary variables.

### Usage

```
phicoef(x, y=NULL)
```

### Arguments

`x`, `y` Two logical vectors of the same length. If `y` is not supplied, `x` must be a 2x2 integer matrix (or an integer vector of length 4) representing the contingency table of two binary variables.

### Value

The "phi coefficient" between the two binary variables. This is a single numeric value ranging from -1 to +1.

### Author(s)

H. Pages

### References

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phi\\_coefficient](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phi_coefficient)

### Examples

```
set.seed(33)
x <- sample(c(TRUE, FALSE), 100, replace=TRUE)
y <- sample(c(TRUE, FALSE), 100, replace=TRUE)
phicoef(x, y)
phicoef(rep(x, 10), c(rep(x, 9), y))

stopifnot(phicoef(table(x, y)) == phicoef(x, y))
stopifnot(phicoef(y, x) == phicoef(x, y))
stopifnot(phicoef(x, !y) == - phicoef(x, y))
stopifnot(phicoef(x, x) == 1)
```

range-squeezers

*Squeeze the ranges out of a range-based object***Description**

S4 generic functions for squeezing the ranges out of a range-based object.

`granges` returns them as a [GRanges](#) object, `grglist` as a [GRangesList](#) object, and `rglist` as a [RangesList](#) object.

**Usage**

```
granges(x, use.mcols=FALSE, ...)
grglist(x, use.mcols=FALSE, ...)
rglist(x, use.mcols=FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A range-based object e.g. a <a href="#">SummarizedExperiment</a> , <a href="#">GAlignments</a> , <a href="#">GAlignmentPairs</a> , or <a href="#">GAlignmentsList</a> object.
<code>use.mcols</code>	TRUE or FALSE (the default). Whether the metadata columns on <code>x</code> (accessible with <code>mcols(x)</code> ) should be propagated to the returned object or not.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments, for use in specific methods.

**Details**

The [GenomicRanges](#) and [GenomicAlignments](#) packages define and document methods for various types of range-based objects (e.g. for [SummarizedExperiment](#), [GAlignments](#), [GAlignmentPairs](#), and [GAlignmentsList](#) objects). Other Bioconductor packages might as well.

Note that these functions can be seen as a specific kind of *object getters* as well as functions performing coercion. For some objects (e.g. [GAlignments](#)), `as(x, "GRanges")`, `as(x, "GRangesList")`, and `as(x, "RangesList")`, are equivalent to `granges(x, use.mcols=TRUE)`, `grglist(x, use.mcols=TRUE)`, and `rglist(x, use.mcols=TRUE)`, respectively.

**Value**

A [GRanges](#) object for `granges`.

A [GRangesList](#) object for `grglist`.

A [RangesList](#) object for `rglist`.

If `x` is a vector-like object (e.g. [GAlignments](#)), the returned object is expected to be *parallel* to `x`, that is, the *i*-th element in the output corresponds to the *i*-th element in the input. If `x` has names on it, they're propagated to the returned object. If `use.mcols` is TRUE and `x` has metadata columns on it (accessible with `mcols(x)`), they're propagated to the returned object.

**Author(s)**

H. Pages

**See Also**

- [GRanges](#) and [GRangesList](#) objects.
- [RangesList](#) objects in the **IRanges** package.
- [SummarizedExperiment](#) objects.
- [GAlignments](#), [GAlignmentPairs](#), and [GAlignmentsList](#) objects in the **GenomicAlignments** package.

**Examples**

```
## See ?GAlignments in the GenomicAlignments package for some
## examples.
```

---

seqinfo

*Accessing/modifying sequence information*

---

**Description**

A set of generic functions for getting/setting/modifying the sequence information stored in an object.

**Usage**

```
seqinfo(x)
seqinfo(x, new2old=NULL, force=FALSE) <- value

seqnames(x)
seqnames(x) <- value

seqlevels(x)
seqlevels(x, force=FALSE) <- value
sortSeqlevels(x, X.is.sexchrom=NA)
seqlevelsInUse(x)
seqlevels0(x)

seqlengths(x)
seqlengths(x) <- value

isCircular(x)
isCircular(x) <- value

genome(x)
genome(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature ANY
seqlevelsStyle(x)
## S4 replacement method for signature ANY
seqlevelsStyle(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	The object from/on which to get/set the sequence information.
new2old	<p>The new2old argument allows the user to rename, drop, add and/or reorder the "sequence levels" in x.</p> <p>new2old can be NULL or an integer vector with one element per row in <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> object value (i.e. new2old and value must have the same length) describing how the "new" sequence levels should be mapped to the "old" sequence levels, that is, how the rows in value should be mapped to the rows in seqinfo(x). The values in new2old must be <math>\geq 1</math> and <math>\leq \text{length}(\text{seqinfo}(x))</math>. NAs are allowed and indicate sequence levels that are being added. Old sequence levels that are not represented in new2old will be dropped, but this will fail if those levels are in use (e.g. if x is a <a href="#">GRanges</a> object with ranges defined on those sequence levels) unless force=TRUE is used (see below).</p> <p>If new2old=NULL, then sequence levels can only be added to the existing ones, that is, value must have at least as many rows as seqinfo(x) (i.e. <math>\text{length}(\text{values}) \geq \text{length}(\text{seqinfo}(x))</math>) and also <math>\text{seqlevels}(\text{values})[\text{seq\_len}(\text{length}(\text{seqlevels}(x)))]</math> must be identical to <math>\text{seqlevels}(x)</math>.</p>
force	Force dropping sequence levels currently in use. This is achieved by dropping the elements in x where those levels are used (hence typically reducing the length of x).
value	<p>Typically a <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> object for the seqinfo setter.</p> <p>Either a named or unnamed character vector for the seqlevels setter.</p> <p>A vector containing the sequence information to store for the other setters.</p>
X.is.sexchrom	A logical indicating whether X refers to the sexual chromosome or to chromosome with Roman Numeral X. If NA, sortSeqlevels does its best to "guess".

## Details

The [Seqinfo](#) class plays a central role for the functions described in this man page because:

- All these functions (except seqinfo, seqlevelsInUse, and seqlevels0) work on a [Seqinfo](#) object.
- For classes that implement it, the seqinfo getter should return a [Seqinfo](#) object.
- Default seqlevels, seqlengths, isCircular, genome, and seqlevelsStyle getters and setters are provided. By default, seqlevels(x) does seqlevels(seqinfo(x)), seqlengths(x) does seqlengths(seqinfo(x)), isCircular(x) does isCircular(seqinfo(x)), genome(x) does genome(seqinfo(x)), and seqlevelsStyle(x) does seqlevelsStyle(seqlevels(x)). So any class with a seqinfo getter will have all the above getters work out-of-the-box. If, in addition, the class defines a seqinfo setter, then all the corresponding setters will also work out-of-the-box.

Examples of containers that have a seqinfo getter and setter: the [GRanges](#), [GRangesList](#), and [SummarizedExperiment](#) classes in the **GenomicRanges** package; the [GAlignments](#), [GAlignmentPairs](#), and [GAlignmentsList](#) classes in the **GenomicAlignments** package; the [TranscriptDb](#) class in the **GenomicFeatures** package; the [BSgenome](#) class in the **BSgenome** package; etc...



The GenomicRanges package defines `seqinfo` and `seqinfo<-` methods for these low-level IRanges data structures: `List`, `RangesList` and `RangedData`. Those objects do not have the means to formally store sequence information. Thus, the wrappers simply store the `Seqinfo` object within `metadata(x)`. Initially, the metadata is empty, so there is some effort to generate a reasonable default `Seqinfo`. The names of any `List` are taken as the `seqnames`, and the universe of `RangesList` or `RangedData` is taken as the genome.

### Note

The full list of methods defined for a given generic can be seen with e.g. `showMethods("seqinfo")` or `showMethods("seqnames")` (for the getters), and `showMethods("seqinfo<-")` or `showMethods("seqnames<-")` (for the setters aka *replacement methods*). Please be aware that this shows only methods defined in packages that are currently attached.

### Author(s)

H. Pages

### See Also

- The `seqlevelsStyle` generic getter and setter in the **GenomeInfoDb** package.
- `Seqinfo` objects.
- `GRanges`, `GRangesList`, and `SummarizedExperiment` objects in the **GenomicRanges** package.
- `Alignments`, `GAlignmentPairs`, and `GAlignmentsList` objects in the **GenomicAlignments** package.
- `TranscriptDb` objects in the **GenomicFeatures** package.
- `BSgenome` objects in the **BSgenome** package.
- `seqlevels-utils` for convenience wrappers to the `seqlevels` getter and setter.
- `makeSeqnameIds`, on which `sortSeqlevels` is based.

### Examples

```
## -----
## Finding methods.
## -----

showMethods("seqinfo")
showMethods("seqinfo<-")

showMethods("seqnames")
showMethods("seqnames<-")

showMethods("seqlevels")
showMethods("seqlevels<-")

if (interactive())
  ?GRanges-class
```

```

## -----
## Modify seqlevels of an object.
## -----

## Overlap and matching operations between objects require matching
## seqlevels. Often the seqlevels in one must be modified to match
## the other. The seqlevels() function can rename, drop, add and reorder
## seqlevels of an object. Examples below are shown on TranscriptDb
## and GRanges but the approach is the same for all objects that have
## a Seqinfo class.

library(TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene)
txdb <- TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene
seqlevels(txdb)

## Rename:
seqlevels(txdb) <- sub("chr", "", seqlevels(txdb))
seqlevels(txdb)

seqlevels(txdb) <- paste0("CH", seqlevels(txdb))
seqlevels(txdb)

seqlevels(txdb)[seqlevels(txdb) == "CHM"] <- "M"
seqlevels(txdb)

## Rename using seqlevelsStyle():
gr <- GRanges(rep(c("chr2", "chr3", "chrM"), 2), IRanges(1:6, 10))

seqlevelsStyle(gr)
seqlevelsStyle(gr) <- "NCBI"
gr

seqlevelsStyle(gr)
seqlevelsStyle(gr) <- "UCSC"
gr

## Add:
seqlevels(gr) <- c("chr1", seqlevels(gr), "chr4")
seqlevels(gr)
seqlevelsInUse(gr)

## Reorder:
seqlevels(gr) <- rev(seqlevels(gr))
seqlevels(gr)

## Drop all unused seqlevels:
seqlevels(gr) <- seqlevelsInUse(gr)

## Drop some seqlevels in use:
seqlevels(gr, force=TRUE) <- setdiff(seqlevels(gr), "chr3")
gr

## Rename/Add/Reorder:

```

```

seqlevels(gr) <- c("chr1", chr2="chr2", chrM="Mitochondrion")
seqlevels(gr)

## -----
## Sort seqlevels in "natural" order
## -----

sortSeqlevels(c("11", "Y", "1", "10", "9", "M", "2"))

seqlevels <- c("chrXI", "chrY", "chrI", "chrX", "chrIX", "chrM", "chrII")
sortSeqlevels(seqlevels)
sortSeqlevels(seqlevels, X.is.sexchrom=TRUE)
sortSeqlevels(seqlevels, X.is.sexchrom=FALSE)

seqlevels <- c("chr2RHet", "chr4", "chrUextra", "chrYHet",
              "chrM", "chrXHet", "chr2LHet", "chrU",
              "chr3L", "chr3R", "chr2R", "chrX")
sortSeqlevels(seqlevels)

gr <- GRanges()
seqlevels(gr) <- seqlevels
sortSeqlevels(gr)

## -----
## Subset objects by seqlevels.
## -----

tx <- transcripts(txdb)
seqlevels(tx)

## Drop M, keep all others.
seqlevels(tx, force=TRUE) <- seqlevels(tx)[seqlevels(tx) != "M"]
seqlevels(tx)

## Drop all except ch3L and ch3R.
seqlevels(tx, force=TRUE) <- c("ch3L", "ch3R")
seqlevels(tx)

## -----
## Restore original seqlevels.
## -----

## Applicable to TranscriptDb objects only.
## Not run:
seqlevels0(txdb)
seqlevels(txdb)

## End(Not run)

```

## Description

A Seqinfo object is a table-like object that contains basic information about a set of genomic sequences. The table has 1 row per sequence and 1 column per sequence attribute. Currently the only attributes are the length, circularity flag, and genome provenance (e.g. hg19) of the sequence, but more attributes might be added in the future as the need arises.

## Details

Typically Seqinfo objects are not used directly but are part of higher level objects. Those higher level objects will generally provide a seqinfo accessor for getting/setting their Seqinfo component.

## Constructor

`Seqinfo(seqnames, seqlengths=NA, isCircular=NA, genome=NA)`: Creates a Seqinfo object.

## Accessor methods

In the code snippets below, `x` is a Seqinfo object.

`length(x)`: Return the number of sequences in `x`.

`seqnames(x)`, `seqnames(x) <- value`: Get/set the names of the sequences in `x`. Those names must be non-NA, non-empty and unique. They are also called the *sequence levels* or the *keys* of the Seqinfo object.

Note that, in general, the end-user should not try to alter the sequence levels with `seqnames(x) <- value`. The recommended way to do this is with `seqlevels(x) <- value` as described below.

`names(x)`, `names(x) <- value`: Same as `seqnames(x)` and `seqnames(x) <- value`.

`seqlevels(x)`: Same as `seqnames(x)`.

`seqlevels(x) <- value`: Can be used to rename, drop, add and/or reorder the sequence levels. `value` must be either a named or unnamed character vector. When `value` has names, the names only serve the purpose of mapping the new sequence levels to the old ones. Otherwise (i.e. when `value` is unnamed) this mapping is implicitly inferred from the following rules:

(1) If the number of new and old levels are the same, and if the positional mapping between the new and old levels shows that some or all of the levels are being renamed, and if the levels that are being renamed are renamed with levels that didn't exist before (i.e. are not present in the old levels), then `seqlevels(x) <- value` will just rename the sequence levels. Note that in that case the result is the same as with `seqnames(x) <- value` but it's still recommended to use `seqlevels(x) <- value` as it is safer.

(2) Otherwise (i.e. if the conditions for (1) are not satisfied) `seqlevels(x) <- value` will consider that the sequence levels are not being renamed and will just perform `x <- x[value]`. See below for some examples.

`seqlengths(x)`, `seqlengths(x) <- value`: Get/set the length for each sequence in `x`.

`isCircular(x)`, `isCircular(x) <- value`: Get/set the circularity flag for each sequence in `x`.

`genome(x)`, `genome(x) <- value`: Get/set the genome identifier or assembly name for each sequence in `x`.

## Subsetting

In the code snippets below, `x` is a Seqinfo object.

`x[i]`: A Seqinfo object can be subsetted only by name i.e. `i` must be a character vector. This is a convenient way to drop/add/reorder the rows (aka the sequence levels) of a Seqinfo object.

See below for some examples.

## Coercion

In the code snippets below, `x` is a Seqinfo object.

`as.data.frame(x)`: Turns `x` into a data frame.

`as(x, "GRanges")`, `as(x, "GenomicRanges")`, `as(x, "RangesList")`: Turns `x` (with no NA lengths) into a GRanges or RangesList.

## Combining Seqinfo objects

There are no `c` or `rbind` method for Seqinfo objects. Both would be expected to just append the rows in `y` to the rows in `x` resulting in an object of length `length(x) + length(y)`. But that would tend to break the constraint that the seqnames of a Seqinfo object must be unique keys.

So instead, a `merge` method is provided.

In the code snippet below, `x` and `y` are Seqinfo objects.

`merge(x, y)`: Merge `x` and `y` into a single Seqinfo object where the keys (aka the seqnames) are `union(seqnames(x), seqnames(y))`. If a row in `y` has the same key as a row in `x`, and if the 2 rows contain compatible information (NA values are compatible with anything), then they are merged into a single row in the result. If they cannot be merged (because they contain different seqlengths, and/or circularity flags, and/or genome identifiers), then an error is raised. In addition to check for incompatible sequence information, `merge(x, y)` also compares `seqnames(x)` with `seqnames(y)` and issues a warning if each of them has names not in the other. The purpose of these checks is to try to detect situations where the user might be combining or comparing objects based on different reference genomes.

`intersect(x, y)`: Finds the intersection between two Seqinfo objects by merging them and subsetting for the intersection of their sequence names. This makes it easy to avoid warnings about the objects not being subsets of each other during overlap operations.

## Author(s)

H. Pages

## See Also

[seqinfo](#)

**Examples**

```

## Note that all the arguments (except genome) must have the
## same length. genome can be of length 1, whatever the lengths
## of the other arguments are.
x <- Seqinfo(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr2", "chr3", "chrM"),
             seqlengths=c(100, 200, NA, 15),
             isCircular=c(NA, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE),
             genome="toy")

length(x)
seqnames(x)
names(x)
seqlevels(x)
seqlengths(x)
isCircular(x)
genome(x)

x[c("chrY", "chr3", "chr1")] # subset by names

## Rename, drop, add and/or reorder the sequence levels:
xx <- x
seqlevels(xx) <- sub("chr", "ch", seqlevels(xx)) # rename
xx
seqlevels(xx) <- rev(seqlevels(xx)) # reorder
xx
seqlevels(xx) <- c("ch1", "ch2", "chY") # drop/add/reorder
xx
seqlevels(xx) <- c(chY="Y", ch1="1", "22") # rename/reorder/drop/add
xx

y <- Seqinfo(seqnames=c("chr3", "chr4", "chrM"),
             seqlengths=c(300, NA, 15))

y
merge(x, y) # rows for chr3 and chrM are merged
suppressWarnings(merge(x, y))

## Note that, strictly speaking, merging 2 Seqinfo objects is not
## a commutative operation, i.e., in general z1 <- merge(x, y)
## is not identical to z2 <- merge(y, x). However z1 and z2
## are guaranteed to contain the same information (i.e. the same
## rows, but typically not in the same order):
suppressWarnings(merge(y, x))

## This contradicts what x says about circularity of chr3 and chrM:
isCircular(y)[c("chr3", "chrM")] <- c(TRUE, FALSE)
y
if (interactive()) {
  merge(x, y) # raises an error
}

```

**Description**

Performs set operations on [GRanges](#) and [GRangesList](#) objects.

**Usage**

```
## Set operations
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
union(x, y, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
intersect(x, y, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
setdiff(x, y, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)

## Parallel set operations
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
punion(x, y, fill.gap=FALSE, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
pintersect(x, y, resolve.empty=c("none", "max.start", "start.x"), ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
## S4 method for signature GRanges,GRanges
psetdiff(x, y, ignore.strand=FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x, y</code>	<p>For <code>union</code>, <code>intersect</code>, <code>setdiff</code>, <code>pgap</code>: <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> must both be <a href="#">GRanges</a> objects.</p> <p>For <code>punion</code>: one of <code>x</code> or <code>y</code> must be a <a href="#">GRanges</a> object, the other one can be a <a href="#">GRanges</a> or <a href="#">GRangesList</a> object.</p> <p>For <code>pintersect</code>: one of <code>x</code> or <code>y</code> must be a <a href="#">GRanges</a> object, the other one can be a <a href="#">GRanges</a> or <a href="#">GRangesList</a> object.</p> <p>For <code>psetdiff</code>: <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> can be any combination of <a href="#">GRanges</a> and/or <a href="#">GRangesList</a> objects, with the exception that if <code>x</code> is a <a href="#">GRangesList</a> object then <code>y</code> must be a <a href="#">GRangesList</a> too.</p> <p>In addition, for the "parallel" operations, <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> must be of equal length (i.e. <code>length(x) == length(y)</code>).</p>
<code>fill.gap</code>	Logical indicating whether or not to force a union by using the rule <code>start = min(start(x), start(y))</code> ,
<code>resolve.empty</code>	One of "none", "max.start", or "start.x" denoting how to handle ambiguous empty ranges formed by intersections. "none" - throw an error if an ambiguous empty range is formed, "max.start" - associate the maximum start value with any ambiguous empty range, and "start.x" - associate the start value of <code>x</code> with any ambiguous empty range. (See <a href="#">pintersect</a> for the definition of an ambiguous range.)
<code>ignore.strand</code>	<p>For set operations: If set to TRUE, then the strand of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> is set to "*" prior to any computation.</p> <p>For parallel set operations: If set to TRUE, the strand information is ignored in the computation and the result has the strand information of <code>x</code>.</p>
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to be passed to or from other methods.

**Details**

The pintersect methods involving [GRanges](#) and/or [GRangesList](#) objects use the triplet (sequence name, range, strand) to determine the element by element intersection of features, where a strand value of "\*" is treated as occurring on both the "+" and "-" strand.

The psetdiff methods involving [GRanges](#) and/or [GRangesList](#) objects use the triplet (sequence name, range, strand) to determine the element by element set difference of features, where a strand value of "\*" is treated as occurring on both the "+" and "-" strand.

**Value**

For union, intersect, setdiff, and pgap: a [GRanges](#).

For punion and pintersect: when x or y is not a [GRanges](#) object, an object of the same class as this non-[GRanges](#) object. Otherwise, a [GRanges](#) object.

For psetdiff: either a [GRanges](#) object when both x and y are [GRanges](#) objects, or a [GRangesList](#) object when y is a [GRangesList](#) object.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[setops-methods](#), [GRanges-class](#), [GRangesList-class](#), [findOverlaps-methods](#)

**Examples**

```
## -----
## A. SET OPERATIONS
## -----

x <- GRanges("chr1", IRanges(c(2, 9) , c(7, 19)), strand=c("+", "-"))
y <- GRanges("chr1", IRanges(5, 10), strand="-")

union(x, y)
union(x, y, ignore.strand=TRUE)

intersect(x, y)
intersect(x, y, ignore.strand=TRUE)

setdiff(x, y)
setdiff(x, y, ignore.strand=TRUE)

## -----
## B. PARALLEL SET OPERATIONS
## -----

## Not run:
punion(x, shift(x, 7)) # will fail

## End(Not run)
```



```

union(x, shift(x, 7), fill.gap=TRUE)

pintersect(x, shift(x, 6))
## Not run:
pintersect(x, shift(x, 7)) # will fail

## End(Not run)
pintersect(x, shift(x, 7), resolve.empty="max.start")

psetdiff(x, shift(x, 7))

## -----
## C. MORE EXAMPLES
## -----

## GRanges object:
gr <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr2", "chr1", "chr1"),
              ranges=IRanges(1:3, width = 12),
              strand=Rle(strand(c("-", "*", "-"))))

## GRangesList object
gr1 <- GRanges(seqnames="chr2",
              ranges=IRanges(3, 6))
gr2 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr1"),
              ranges=IRanges(c(7,13), width = 3),
              strand=c("+", "-"))
gr3 <- GRanges(seqnames=c("chr1", "chr2"),
              ranges=IRanges(c(1, 4), c(3, 9)),
              strand=c("-", "-"))
grlist <- GRangesList(gr1=gr1, gr2=gr2, gr3=gr3)

## Parallel intersection of a GRanges and a GRangesList object
pintersect(gr, grlist)
pintersect(grlist, gr)

## Parallel set difference of a GRanges and a GRangesList object
psetdiff(gr, grlist)

## Parallel set difference of two GRangesList objects
psetdiff(grlist, shift(grlist, 3))

```

**Description**

Some useful strand methods.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature missing
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature character
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature factor
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature integer
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature logical
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature Rle
strand(x)
## S4 method for signature DataTable
strand(x)
## S4 replacement method for signature DataTable
strand(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	The object from which to obtain a strand factor, can be missing.
value	Replacement value for the strand.

## Details

If x is missing, returns an empty factor with the "standard strand levels" i.e. +, -, and \*.

If x is a character vector or factor, it is coerced to a factor with the levels listed above. NA values in x are not accepted.

If x is an integer vector, it is coerced to a factor with the levels listed above. 1, -1, and NA values in x are mapped to the +, -, and \* levels respectively.

If x is a logical vector, it is coerced to a factor with the levels listed above. FALSE, TRUE, and NA values in x are mapped to the +, -, and \* levels respectively.

If x is a character-, factor-, integer-, or logical-Rle, it is transformed with `runValue(x) <- strand(runValue(x))` and returned.

If x inherits from DataTable, the "strand" column is passed thru `strand()` and returned. If x has no "strand" column, this return value is populated with \*s.

## Value

A factor (or factor-Rle) with the "standard strand levels" (i.e. +, -, and \*) and no NAs.

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[strand](#)

**Examples**

```
strand()

x1 <- c("-", "*", "*", "+", "-", "*")
x2 <- factor(c("-", "-", "+", "-"))
x3 <- c(-1L, NA, NA, 1L, -1L, NA)
x4 <- c(TRUE, NA, NA, FALSE, TRUE, NA)

strand(x1)
strand(x2)
strand(x3)
strand(x4)

strand(Rle(x1))
strand(Rle(x2))
strand(Rle(x3))
strand(Rle(x4))

strand(DataFrame(score=2:-3))
strand(DataFrame(score=2:-3, strand=x3))
strand(DataFrame(score=2:-3, strand=Rle(x3)))

## Sanity checks:
target <- strand(x1)
stopifnot(identical(target, strand(x3)))
stopifnot(identical(target, strand(x4)))

stopifnot(identical(Rle(strand(x1)), strand(Rle(x1))))
stopifnot(identical(Rle(strand(x2)), strand(Rle(x2))))
stopifnot(identical(Rle(strand(x3)), strand(Rle(x3))))
stopifnot(identical(Rle(strand(x4)), strand(Rle(x4))))
```

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SummarizedExperiment-class

*SummarizedExperiment instances*


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**Description**

The SummarizedExperiment class is a matrix-like container where rows represent ranges of interest (as a [GRanges](#) or [GRangesList](#)-class) and columns represent samples (with sample data summarized as a [DataFrame](#)-class). A SummarizedExperiment contains one or more assays, each represented by a matrix-like object of numeric or other mode.

**Usage**

```
## Constructors
```

```
SummarizedExperiment(assays, ...)
```

```

## S4 method for signature SimpleList
SummarizedExperiment(assays, rowData = GRangesList(),
  colData = DataFrame(), exptData = SimpleList(), ...,
  verbose = FALSE)
## S4 method for signature missing
SummarizedExperiment(assays, ...)
## S4 method for signature list
SummarizedExperiment(assays, ...)
## S4 method for signature matrix
SummarizedExperiment(assays, ...)

## Accessors

assays(x, ..., withDimnames=TRUE)
assays(x, ...) <- value
assay(x, i, ...)
assay(x, i, ...) <- value
rowData(x, ...)
rowData(x, ...) <- value
colData(x, ...)
colData(x, ...) <- value
exptData(x, ...)
exptData(x, ...) <- value
## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
dim(x)
## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
dimnames(x)
## S4 replacement method for signature SummarizedExperiment,NULL
dimnames(x) <- value
## S4 replacement method for signature SummarizedExperiment,list
dimnames(x) <- value

## colData access

## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
x$name
## S4 replacement method for signature SummarizedExperiment,ANY
x$name <- value
## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment,ANY,missing
x[[i, j, ...]]
## S4 replacement method for signature SummarizedExperiment,ANY,missing,ANY
x[[i, j, ...]] <- value

## rowData access
## see GRanges compatibility, below

## Subsetting

```

```

## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
x[i, j, ..., drop=TRUE]
## S4 replacement method for signature SummarizedExperiment,ANY,ANY,SummarizedExperiment
x[i, j] <- value
## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
subset(x, subset, select, ...)

## Combining

## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
cbind(..., deparse.level=1)
## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
rbind(..., deparse.level=1)

## Coercion

## S4 method for signature SummarizedExperiment
updateObject(object, ..., verbose=FALSE)

```

## Arguments

assays	A list or SimpleList of matrix elements, or a matrix. 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 rowData and colData.
rowData	A GRanges or GRangesList instance describing the ranges of interest. Row names, if present, become the row names of the SummarizedExperiment. The length of the GRanges or the GRangesList must equal the number of rows of the matrices in assays.
colData	An optional DataFrame describing the samples. Row names, if present, become the column names of the SummarizedExperiment.
exptData	An optional SimpleList of arbitrary content describing the overall experiment.
...	For SummarizedExperiment, S4 methods list and matrix, arguments identical to those of the SimpleList method. For assay, ... may contain withDimnames, which is forwarded to assays. For cbind, rbind, ... contains SummarizedExperiment objects to be combined. For other accessors, ignored.
verbose	A logical(1) indicating whether messages about data coercion during construction should be printed.
x, object	An instance of SummarizedExperiment-class.
i, j	For assay, assay<-, i is a integer or numeric scalar; see 'Details' for additional constraints. For [, SummarizedExperiment, [, SummarizedExperiment<-, i, j are instances that can act to subset the underlying rowData, colData, and matrix elements of assays.

	For <code>[[, SummarizedExperiment, [[&lt;-, SummarizedExperiment, i</code> is a scalar index (e.g., <code>character(1)</code> or <code>integer(1)</code> ) into a column of <code>colData</code> .
<code>subset</code>	An expression which, when evaluated in the context of <code>rowData(x)</code> , is a logical vector indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken as false.
<code>select</code>	An expression which, when evaluated in the context of <code>colData(x)</code> , is a logical vector indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken as false.
<code>name</code>	A symbol representing the name of a column of <code>colData</code> .
<code>withDimnames</code>	A <code>logical(1)</code> , indicating whether <code>dimnames</code> should be applied to extracted assay elements.
<code>drop</code>	A <code>logical(1)</code> , ignored by these methods.
<code>value</code>	An instance of a class specified in the S4 method signature or as outlined in ‘Details’.
<code>deparse.level</code>	See <code>?base::cbind</code> for a description of this argument.

## Details

The `SummarizedExperiment` class is meant for numeric and other data types derived from a sequencing experiment. The structure is rectangular like a `matrix`, but with additional annotations on the rows and columns, and with the possibility to manage several assays simultaneously.

The rows of a `SummarizedExperiment` instance represent ranges (in genomic coordinates) of interest. The ranges of interest are described by a `GRanges`-class or a `GRangesList`-class instance, accessible using the `rowData` function, described below. The `GRanges` and `GRangesList` classes contains sequence (e.g., chromosome) name, genomic coordinates, and strand information. Each range can be annotated with additional data; this data might be used to describe the range or to summarize results (e.g., statistics of differential abundance) relevant to the range. Rows may or may not have row names; they often will not.

Each column of a `SummarizedExperiment` instance represents a sample. Information about the samples are stored in a `DataFrame`-class, accessible using the function `colData`, described below. The `DataFrame` must have as many rows as there are columns in the `SummarizedExperiment`, with each row of the `DataFrame` providing information on the sample in the corresponding column of the `SummarizedExperiment`. Columns of the `DataFrame` represent different sample attributes, e.g., tissue of origin, etc. Columns of the `DataFrame` can themselves be annotated (via the `mcols` function). Column names typically provide a short identifier unique to each sample.

A `SummarizedExperiment` can also contain information about the overall experiment, for instance the lab in which it was conducted, the publications with which it is associated, etc. This information is stored as a `SimpleList`-class, accessible using the `exptData` function. The form of the data associated with the experiment is left to the discretion of the user.

The `SummarizedExperiment` is appropriate for matrix-like data. The data are accessed using the `assays` function, described below. This returns a `SimpleList`-class instance. Each element of the list must itself be a matrix (of any mode) and must have dimensions that are the same as the dimensions of the `SummarizedExperiment` in which they are stored. Row and column names of each matrix must either be `NULL` or match those of the `SummarizedExperiment` during construction. It is convenient for the elements of `SimpleList` of assays to be named.

The `SummarizedExperiment` class has the following slots; this detail of class structure is not relevant to the user.

`exptData` A [SimpleList](#)-class instance containing information about the overall experiment.  
`rowData` A [GRanges](#)-class instance defining the ranges of interest and associated metadata.  
`colData` A [DataFrame](#)-class instance describing the samples and associated metadata.  
`assays` A [SimpleList](#)-class instance, each element of which is a matrix summarizing data associated with the corresponding range and sample.

### Constructor

Instances are constructed using the `SummarizedExperiment` function with arguments outlined above.

### Coercion

Package version 1.9.59 introduced a new way of representing ‘assays’. If you have a serialized instance `x` of a `SummarizedExperiment` (e.g., from using the `save` function with a version of `GenomicRanges` prior to 1.9.59), it should be updated by invoking `x <- updateObject(x)`.

### Accessors

In the following code snippets, `x` is a `SummarizedExperiment` instance.

`assays(x)`, `assays(x) <- value`: Get or set the assays. `value` is a list or `SimpleList`, each element of which is a matrix with the same dimensions as `x`.  
`assay(x, i)`, `assay(x, i) <- value`: A convenient alternative (to `assays(x)[[i]]`, `assays(x)[[i]] <- value`) to get or set the `i`th (default first) assay element. `value` must be a matrix of the same dimension as `x`, and with dimension names `NULL` or consistent with those of `x`.  
`rowData(x)`, `rowData(x) <- value`: Get or set the row data. `value` is a `GenomicRanges` instance. Row names of `value` must be `NULL` or consistent with the existing row names of `x`.  
`colData(x)`, `colData(x) <- value`: Get or set the column data. `value` is a `DataFrame` instance. Row names of `value` must be `NULL` or consistent with the existing column names of `x`.  
`exptData(x)`, `exptData(x) <- value`: Get or set the experiment data. `value` is a list or `SimpleList` instance, with arbitrary content.  
`dim(x)`: Get the dimensions (ranges x samples) of the `SummarizedExperiment`.  
`dimnames(x)`, `dimnames(x) <- value`: Get or set the dimension names. `value` is usually a list of length 2, containing elements that are either `NULL` or vectors of appropriate length for the corresponding dimension. `value` can be `NULL`, which removes dimension names. This method implies that `rownames`, `rownames<-`, `colnames`, and `colnames<-` are all available.

### GRanges compatibility (rowData access)

Many `GRanges`-class and `GRangesList`-class operations are supported on ‘`SummarizedExperiment`’ and derived instances, using `rowData`.

Supported operations include: `compare`, `countOverlaps`, `coverage`, `disjointBins`, `distance`, `distanceToNearest`, `duplicated`, `end`, `end<-`, `findOverlaps`, `flank`, `follow`, `granges`, `isDisjoint`, `match`, `mcols`, `mcols<-`, `narrow`, `nearest`, `order`, `overlapsAny`, `precede`, `ranges`, `ranges<-`, `rank`, `resize`, `restrict`, `seqinfo`, `seqinfo<-`, `seqnames`, `shift`, `sort`, `split`, `relistToClass`, `start`, `start<-`, `strand`, `strand<-`, `subsetByOverlaps`, `width`, `width<-`.

Not all `GRanges`-class operations are supported, because they do not make sense for ‘SummarizedExperiment’ objects (e.g., `length`, `name`, `as.data.frame`, `c`, `splitAsList`), involve non-trivial combination or splitting of rows (e.g., `disjoin`, `gaps`, `reduce`, `unique`), or have not yet been implemented (`Ops`, `map`, `window`, `window<-`).

### Subsetting

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `SummarizedExperiment` instance.

`x[i,j], x[[i,j]] <- value`: Create or replace a subset of `x`. `i, j` can be numeric, logical, character, or missing. `value` must be a `SummarizedExperiment` instance with dimensions, dimension names, and assay elements consistent with the subset `x[i, j]` being replaced.

`subset(x, subset, select)`: Create a subset of `x` using an expression `subset` referring to columns of `rowData(x)` (including ‘`seqnames`’, ‘`start`’, ‘`end`’, ‘`width`’, ‘`strand`’, and `names(mcols(x))`) and / or `select` referring to column names of `colData(x)`.

Additional subsetting accessors provide convenient access to `colData` columns

`x$name, x[[name]] <- value` Access or replace column name in `x`.

`x[[i, ...]], x[[[i, ...]]] <- value` Access or replace column `i` in `x`.

### Combining

In the code snippets below, `...` are `SummarizedExperiment` instances to be combined.

`cbind(...), rbind(...)`: `cbind` combines objects with identical ranges (`rowData`) but different samples (columns in assays). The `colnames` in `colData` must match or an error is thrown. Duplicate columns of `mcols(rowData(SummarizedExperiment))` must contain the same data.

`rbind` combines objects with different ranges (`rowData`) and the same subjects (columns in assays). Duplicate columns of `colData` must contain the same data.

`exptData` from all objects are combined into a `SimpleList` with no name checking.

### Implementation and Extension

This section contains advanced material meant for package developers.

`SummarizedExperiment` is implemented as an S4 class, and can be extended in the usual way, using `contains="SummarizedExperiment"` in the new class definition.

In addition, the representation of the assays slot of `SummarizedExperiment` is as a virtual class `Assays`. This allows derived classes (`contains="Assays"`) to easily implement alternative requirements for the assays, e.g., backed by file-based storage like `NetCDF` or the `ff` package, while re-using the existing `SummarizedExperiment` class without modification. The requirements on `Assays` are list-like semantics (e.g., `sapply`, `[[` subsetting, `names`) with elements having matrix- or array-like semantics (e.g., `dim`, `dimnames`). These requirements can be made more precise if developers express interest.

The current assays slot is implemented as a reference class that has copy-on-change semantics. This means that modifying non-assay slots does not copy the (large) assay data, and at the same



time the user is not surprised by reference-based semantics. Updates to non-assay slots are very fast; updating the assays slot itself can be 5x or more faster than with an S4 instance in the slot.

In a little more detail, a small reference class hierarchy (not exported from the GenomicRanges name space) defines a reference class `ShallowData` with a single field `data` of type `ANY`, and a derived class `ShallowSimpleListAssays` that specializes the type of data as `SimpleList`, and `contains=c("ShallowData", "Assays")`. The assays slot contains an instance of `ShallowSimpleListAssays`. Invoking `assays()` on a `SummarizedExperiment` re-dispatches from the assays slot to retrieve the `SimpleList` from the field of the reference class. This was achieved by implementing a generic (not exported) `value(x, name, ...)`, with a method implemented on `SummarizedExperiment` that retrieves a slot when `name` is a slot containing an S4 object in `x`, and a field when `name` is a slot containing a `ShallowData` instance in `x`. Copy-on-change semantics is maintained by implementing the `clone` method (clone methods are supposed to do a deep copy, update methods a shallow copy; the `clone` generic is introduced, and not exported, in the GenomicRanges package). The 'getter' and 'setter' code for methods implemented on `SummarizedExperiment` use `value` for slot access, and `clone` for replacement. This makes it easy to implement `ShallowData` instances for other slots if the need arises.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[GRanges](#), [DataFrame](#), [SimpleList](#),

### Examples

```
nrows <- 200; ncols <- 6
counts <- matrix(runif(nrows * ncols, 1, 1e4), nrows)
rowData <- GRanges(rep(c("chr1", "chr2"), c(50, 150)),
                  IRanges(floor(runif(200, 1e5, 1e6)), width=100),
                  strand=sample(c("+", "-"), 200, TRUE))
colData <- DataFrame(Treatment=rep(c("ChIP", "Input"), 3),
                    row.names=LETTERS[1:6])
sset <- SummarizedExperiment(assays=SimpleList(counts=counts),
                             rowData=rowData, colData=colData)

sset
assays(sset) <- endoapply(assays(sset), asinh)
head(assay(sset))

sset[, sset$Treatment == "ChIP"]

## cbind combines objects with the same ranges and different samples.
se1 <- sset
se2 <- se1[,1:3]
colnames(se2) <- letters[1:ncol(se2)]
cmb1 <- cbind(se1, se2)

## rbind combines objects with the same samples and different ranges.
se1 <- sset
se2 <- se1[1:50,]
```

```
rownames(se2) <- letters[1:nrow(se2)]
cmb2 <- rbind(se1, se2)
```

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tileGenome	<i>Put (virtual) tiles on a given genome</i>
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### Description

tileGenome returns a set of genomic regions that form a partitioning of the specified genome. Each region is called a "tile".

### Usage

```
tileGenome(seqlengths, ntile, tilewidth, cut.last.tile.in.chrom=FALSE)
```

### Arguments

seqlengths	Either a named numeric vector of chromosome lengths or a <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> object. More precisely, if a named numeric vector, it must have a length $\geq 1$ , cannot contain NAs or negative values, and cannot have duplicated names. If a <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> object, then it's first replaced with the vector of sequence lengths stored in the object (extracted from the object with the <a href="#">seqlengths</a> getter), then the restrictions described previously apply to this vector.
ntile	The number of tiles to generate.
tilewidth	The desired tile width. The effective tile width might be slightly different but is guaranteed to never be more than the desired width.
cut.last.tile.in.chrom	Whether or not to cut the last tile in each chromosome. This is set to FALSE by default. Can be set to TRUE only when tilewidth is specified. In that case, a tile will never overlap with more than 1 chromosome and a <a href="#">GRanges</a> object is returned with one element (i.e. one genomic range) per tile.

### Value

If cut.last.tile.in.chrom is FALSE (the default), a [GRangesList](#) object with one list element per tile, each of them containing a number of genomic ranges equal to the number of chromosomes it overlaps with. Note that when the tiles are small (i.e. much smaller than the chromosomes), most of them only overlap with a single chromosome.

If cut.last.tile.in.chrom is TRUE, a [GRanges](#) object with one element (i.e. one genomic range) per tile.

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**See Also**

- [GRangesList](#) and [GRanges](#) objects.
- [Seqinfo](#) objects and the [seqlengths](#) getter.
- [IntegerList](#) objects.
- [Views](#) objects.
- [coverage,GenomicRanges-method](#) for computing the coverage of a [GRanges](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## -----
## A. WITH A TOY GENOME
## -----

seqlengths <- c(chr1=60, chr2=20, chr3=25)

## Create 5 tiles:
tiles <- tileGenome(seqlengths, ntile=5)
tiles
elementLengths(tiles) # tiles 3 and 4 contain 2 ranges

width(tiles)
## Use sum() on this IntegerList object to get the effective tile
## widths:
sum(width(tiles)) # each tile covers exactly 21 genomic positions

## Create 9 tiles:
tiles <- tileGenome(seqlengths, ntile=9)
elementLengths(tiles) # tiles 6 and 7 contain 2 ranges

table(sum(width(tiles))) # some tiles cover 12 genomic positions,
# others 11

## Specify the tile width:
tiles <- tileGenome(seqlengths, tilewidth=20)
length(tiles) # 6 tiles
table(sum(width(tiles))) # effective tile width is <= specified

## Specify the tile width and cut the last tile in each chromosome:
tiles <- tileGenome(seqlengths, tilewidth=24,
                    cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE)
tiles
width(tiles) # each tile covers exactly 24 genomic positions, except
# the last tile in each chromosome

## Partition a genome by chromosome ("natural partitioning"):
tiles <- tileGenome(seqlengths, tilewidth=max(seqlengths),
                    cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE)
tiles # one tile per chromosome

## sanity check
```

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stopifnot(all.equal(setNames(end(tiles), seqnames(tiles)), seqlengths))

## -----
## B. WITH A REAL GENOME
## -----

library(BSgenome.Scerevisiae.UCSC.sacCer2)
tiles <- tileGenome(seqinfo(Scerevisiae), ntile=20)
tiles

tiles <- tileGenome(seqinfo(Scerevisiae), tilewidth=50000,
                    cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE)
tiles

## -----
## C. AN APPLICATION: COMPUTE THE BINNED AVERAGE OF A NUMERICAL VARIABLE
##   DEFINED ALONG A GENOME
## -----

## 1. When the variable is stored in a named RleList object
## -----

## In Bioconductor, a variable defined along a genome is typically
## represented as a named RleList object with one list element per
## chromosome. Lets create such a variable:

library(BSgenome.Scerevisiae.UCSC.sacCer2)
set.seed(22)
my_var1 <- RleList(
  lapply(seqlengths(Scerevisiae),
         function(len) Rle(sample(-10:10, len, replace=TRUE))),
  compress=FALSE)
my_var1

## In some applications, there is sometimes the need to compute the
## average of my_var1 for each genomic region in a set of predefined
## fixed-width regions (sometimes called "bins"). Lets use
## tileGenome() to create such a set of bins:

bins1 <- tileGenome(seqinfo(Scerevisiae), tilewidth=100,
                    cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE)

## We define the following function to compute the binned average of a
## numerical variable defined along a genome.
## Arguments:
##   bins: a GRanges object representing the genomic bins.
##         Typically obtained by calling tileGenome() with
##         cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE.
##   numvar: a named RleList object representing a numerical
##           variable defined along the genome covered by bins, which
##           is the genome described by seqinfo(bins).
##   mcolname: the name to give to the metadata column that will
##            contain the binned average in the returned object.

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## Returns bins with an additional metadata column named mcolname
## containing the binned average.

binnedAverage <- function(bins, numvar, mcolname)
{
  stopifnot(is(bins, "GRanges"))
  stopifnot(is(numvar, "RleList"))
  stopifnot(identical(seqlevels(bins), names(numvar)))
  bins_per_chrom <- split(ranges(bins), seqnames(bins))
  means_list <- lapply(names(numvar),
    function(seqname) {
      views <- Views(numvar[[seqname]],
        bins_per_chrom[[seqname]])
      viewMeans(views)
    })
  new_mcol <- unsplit(means_list, as.factor(seqnames(bins)))
  mcols(bins)[[mcolname]] <- new_mcol
  bins
}

## Compute the binned average for my_var1:

bins1 <- binnedAverage(bins1, my_var1, "binned_var1")
bins1

## 2. When the variable is stored in a metadata column of a disjoint
## GRanges object
## -----

## A GRanges object is said to be disjoint if it contains ranges
## that do not overlap with each other. This can be tested with the
## isDisjoint() function. For example, the GRanges object returned
## by tileGenome() is always guaranteed to be disjoint:

stopifnot(isDisjoint(bins1))

## In addition to named RleList objects, the metadata columns of a
## disjoint GRanges object can also be seen as variables defined
## along a genome. An obvious example is the "binned_var1" metadata
## column in bins1. Another example is the "score" metadata column
## in the following GRanges object:

x2 <- GRanges("chrI",
  IRanges(c(1, 211, 291), c(150, 285, 377)),
  score=c(0.4, 8, -10),
  seqinfo=seqinfo(Scerevisiae))
x2

## If we consider the score to be zero in the genomic regions not
## covered by x2, then the "score" metadata column represents a
## variable defined along the genome.

## Turning the score variable into a named RleList representation

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## can be done by computing the weighted coverage of x2:

score <- coverage(x2, weight="score")
score

## Now we can pass score to binnedAverage() to compute the average
## score per bin:

bins1 <- binnedAverage(bins1, score, "binned_score")
bins1

## With bigger bins:

bins2 <- tileGenome(seqinfo(x2), tilewidth=50000,
                    cut.last.tile.in.chrom=TRUE)
bins2 <- binnedAverage(bins2, score, "binned_score")
bins2

## Note that the binned variables in bins1 and bins2 can be
## turned back into named RleList objects:

binned_var1 <- coverage(bins1, weight="binned_var1")
stopifnot(all.equal(mean(binned_var1), mean(my_var1)))

binned_score <- coverage(bins2, weight="binned_score")
stopifnot(all.equal(mean(binned_score), mean(score)))

## Not surprisingly, the "binned" variables are much more compact in
## memory than the original variables (they contain much less runs):

object.size(binned_var1)
object.size(my_var1)

```

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 utils

*seqlevels utility functions*


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## Description

Keep, drop or rename seqlevels in objects with a [Seqinfo](#) class.

## Usage

```

keepSeqlevels(x, value, ...)
dropSeqlevels(x, value, ...)
renameSeqlevels(x, value, ...)
restoreSeqlevels(x, ...)
keepStandardChromosomes(x, species, style,...)

```

**Arguments**

x	Any object having a <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> class in which the seqlevels will be kept, dropped or renamed.
value	A named or unnamed character vector. Names are ignored by <code>keepSeqlevels</code> and <code>dropSeqlevels</code> . Only the values in the character vector dictate which seqlevels to keep or drop. In the case of <code>renameSeqlevels</code> , the names are used to map new sequence levels to the old (names correspond to the old levels). When <code>value</code> is unnamed, the replacement vector must the same length and in the same order as the original <code>seqlevels(x)</code> .
species	The species name of the <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> class in which the seqlevels will be kept, dropped or renamed.
style	The style or provider of the <a href="#">Seqinfo</a> class in which the seqlevels will be kept, dropped or renamed.eg: UCSC,NCBI and so on.
...	Arguments passed to other functions.

**Details**

Matching and overlap operations on range objects often require that the seqlevels match before a comparison can be made (e.g., `findOverlaps`). `keepSeqlevels`, `dropSeqlevels` and `renameSeqlevels` are high-level convenience functions that wrap the low-level `seqlevels` function.

`keepSeqlevels`, `dropSeqlevels`: Subsetting operations that modify the size of `x`. `keepSeqlevels` keeps only the seqlevels in `value` and removes all others. `dropSeqlevels` drops the levels in `value` and retains all others. If `value` does not match any seqlevels in `x` an empty object is returned.

`renameSeqlevels`: Rename the seqlevels in `x` to those in `value`. If `value` is a named character vector, the names are used to map the new seqlevels to the old. When `value` is unnamed, the replacement vector must be the same length and in the same order as the original `seqlevels(x)`.

`restoreSeqlevels`: Restore the seqlevels in `x` back to the original values. Applicable only when `x` is a `TranscriptDb`. The function re-initializes the `TranscriptDb` which resets the seqlevels, removes masks and any other previous modifications.

`keepStandardChromosomes`: Subsetting operation that returns only the primary Chromosomes and the autosomes. Applicable when `obj` has a `Seqinfo` object.

**Value**

The `x` object with seqlevels removed or renamed. If `x` has no seqlevels (empty object) or no replacement values match the current seqlevels in `x` the unchanged `x` is returned.

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**See Also**

- [seqinfo](#) ## Accessing sequence information
- [Seqinfo](#) ## The Seqinfo class

**Examples**

```

## -----
## keepSeqlevels / dropSeqlevels
## -----

## GRanges / GAlignments:

gr <- GRanges(c("chr1", "chr1", "chr2", "chr3"), IRanges(1:4, width=3))
seqlevels(gr)
## Keep only chr1
chr1 <- keepSeqlevels(gr, "chr1")
## Drop chr1. Both chr2 and chr3 are kept.
chr2 <- dropSeqlevels(gr, "chr1")

library(Rsamtools) # for the ex1.bam file
library(GenomicAlignments) # for readGAlignments()

fl <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="Rsamtools")
gal <- readGAlignments(fl)
## If value is named, the names are ignored.
seq2 <- keepSeqlevels(gal, c(foo="seq2"))
seqlevels(seq2)

## GRangesList / GAlignmentsList:

grl <- split(gr, as.character(seqnames(gr)))
dropSeqlevels(grl, c("chr1", "chr2"))
galist <- split(gal, as.character(seqnames(gal)))
keepSeqlevels(galist, "seq2")

## TranscriptDb:

## A TranscriptDb cannot be directly subset with keepSeqlevels
## and dropSeqlevels.
library(TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene)
txdb <- TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene
seqlevels(txdb)
## Not run:
keepSeqlevels(txdb, "chr2L") ## fails

## End(Not run)

## GRanges or GRangesLists extracted from the TranscriptDb can be subset.
txbygene <- transcriptsBy(txdb, "gene")
seqlevels(txbygene)
chr2L <- keepSeqlevels(txbygene, "chr2L")
seqlevels(chr2L)

## -----
## renameSeqlevels
## -----

```



```

## GAlignments:

seqlevels(gal)
## Rename seq2 to chr2 with a named or unnamed vector.
gal2a <- renameSeqlevels(gal, c(seq2="chr2"))
gal2b <- renameSeqlevels(gal, c("seq1", "chr2"))
## Names that do not match existing seqlevels are ignored.
## This attempt at renaming does nothing.
gal3 <- renameSeqlevels(gal, c(foo="chr2"))
identical(seqlevels(gal), seqlevels(gal3))

## TranscriptDb:

seqlevels(txdb)
## When the seqlevels of a TranscriptDb are renamed, all future
## extractions reflect the modified seqlevels.
renameSeqlevels(txdb, sub("chr", "CH", seqlevels(txdb)))
renameSeqlevels(txdb, c(CHM="M"))
seqlevels(txdb)

transcripts <- transcripts(txdb)
identical(seqlevels(txdb), seqlevels(transcripts))

## -----
## restoreSeqlevels
## -----

## Restore seqlevels in a TranscriptDb to original values.
## Not run:
restoreSeqlevels(txdb)
seqlevels(txdb)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## keepStandardChromosomes
## -----

gr <- GRanges(c("chr1", "chr2", "chr3", "chr4", "chr5", "chr6",
               "chr7", "chr8", "chr9", "chr10", "chr11", "chr12", "chr13", "chr14",
               "chr15", "chr16", "chr17", "chr18", "chr19", "chr20", "chr21",
               "chr22", "chrX", "chrY", "chrM", "chr1_g1000191_random",
               "chr1_g1000192_random", "chr4_ctg9_hap1", "chr4_g1000193_random",
               "chr4_g1000194_random", "chr6_apd_hap1"), IRanges(1:31, width=3))
grl <- split(gr, seqnames(gr))

##GRanges
keepStandardChromosomes(gr, style="UCSC", species="Homo sapiens")

##GRangesList
keepStandardChromosomes(grl, style="UCSC", species="Homo sapiens")

```



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