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available.genomes  Find available.installed genomes

Description

available.genomes gets the list of BSgenome data packages that are currently available on
the Bioconductor repositories for your version of R/Bioconductor. installed.genomes gets
the list of BSgenome data packages that are already installed on your machine.

Usage

available.genomes(type=getOption("pkgType"))
installed.genomes()

Arguments

type Character string indicating the type of package ("source", "mac.binary"
or "win.binary") to look for.

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**Details**

A BSgenome data package contains the full genome for a given organism. Its name has 4 parts separated by a dot (e.g. BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2). The 1st part is always BSgenome, the 2nd part is the name of the organism (abbreviated), the 3rd part is the name of the organisation who assembled the genome and the 4th part is the release string or number used by this organisation for this genome. A BSgenome data package contains a single top-level object (a BSgenome object) named like the second part of the package name (e.g. Celegans in the case of BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2) where all the sequences for this genome are stored.

**Value**

A character vector containing the names of the BSgenome data packages that are currently available (for available.genomes), or already installed (for installed.genomes).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

BSgenome-class, available.packages

**Examples**

```r
# What genomes are already installed:
installed.genomes()

# What genomes are available:
available.genomes()

# Make your choice and install with:
source("http://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
biocLite("BSgenome.Scerevisiae.UCSC.sacCer1")

# Have a coffee ;-) 

# Load the package and display the index of sequences for this genome:
library(BSgenome.Scerevisiae.UCSC.sacCer1)
Scerevisiae
```

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**bsapply**

**bsapply**

**Description**

Apply a function to each chromosome in a genome.

**Usage**

`bsapply(BSParms, ...)`
Arguments

BSParams: a BSParams object that holds the various parameters needed to configure the bsapply function.

... optional arguments to `FUN`.

Details

By default the exclude parameter is set to not exclude anything. A popular option will probably be to set this to "rand" so that random bits of unassigned contigs are filtered out.

Value

If BSParams sets simplify = FALSE, a GenomeData object is returned containing the results generated using the remaining BSParams specifications. If BSParams sets simplify = TRUE, an sapply-like simplification is used on the results.

Author(s)

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See Also

BSParams-class, BSgenome-class, GenomeData-class

Examples

```r
## Load the Worm genome:
library("BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2")

## Count the alphabet frequencies for every chromosome but exclude 
## mitochondrial ones:
params <- new("BSParams", X = Celegans, FUN = alphabetFrequency,
exclude = "M")
bsapply(params)

## Or we can do this same function with simplify = TRUE:
params <- new("BSParams", X = Celegans, FUN = alphabetFrequency,
exclude = "M", simplify = TRUE)
bsapply(params)

## Examples to show how we might look for a string (in this case an 
## ebox motif) across the whole genome.
Ebox <- DNAStringSet("CACGTG")
pdict0 <- PDict(Ebox)

params <- new("BSParams", X = Celegans, FUN = countPDict, simplify = TRUE)
bsapply(params, pdict = pdict0)
params@FUN <- matchPDict
bsapply(params, pdict = pdict0)

## And since its really overkill to use matchPDict to find a single pattern:
params@FUN <- matchPattern
bsapply(params, pattern = "CACGTG")
```
```r
## Examples on how to use the masks
library("BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg18")
## I can make things verbose if I want to see the chromosomes getting processed.
options(verbose=TRUE)
## For the 1st example, lets use default masks
params <- new("BSParams", X = Hsapiens, FUN = alphabetFrequency,
exclude = c(1:8,"M","X","random","hap"), simplify = TRUE)
bsapply(params)

## Set up the motifList to filter out all double T's and all double C's
params@motifList <-c("TT","CC")
bsapply(params)

## Get rid of the motifList
params@motifList <-as.character()

##Enable all standard masks
params@maskList <-c("RM"=TRUE,"TRF"=TRUE)
bsapply(params)

##Disable all standard masks
params@maskList <-c("AGAPS"=FALSE,"AMB"=FALSE)
bsapply(params)
```

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**BSgenome-class**  
**BSgenome objects**

**Description**

The BSgenome class is a container for the complete genome sequence of a given organism.

**Accessor methods**

In the code snippets below, `x` is a BSgenome object and `name` is the name of a sequence (character-string). Note that, because the BSgenome class contains the GenomeDescription class, then all the accessor methods for GenomeDescription objects can also be used on `x`.

- `sourceUrl(x)`: Return the source URL i.e. the permanent URL to the place where the FASTA files used to produce the sequences contained in `x` can be found (and downloaded).
- `seqnames(x)`: Return the index of the single sequences contained in `x`. Each single sequence is stored in an XString or MaskedXString object and typically comes from a source file (FASTA) with a single record. The names returned by `seqnames(x)` usually reflect the names of those source files but a common prefix or suffix was eventually removed in order to keep them as short as possible.
- `seqlengths(x)`: Return the lengths of the single sequences contained in `x`. See `length,XString-method` and `length,MaskedXString-method` for the definition of the length of an XString or MaskedXString object. Note that the length of a masked sequence (MaskedXString object) is not affected by the current set of active masks but the nchar method for MaskedXString is.
- `names(seqlengths(x))` is guaranteed to be identical to `seqnames(x)`.
mseqnames(x): Return the index of the multiple sequences contained in x. Each multiple sequence is stored in an XStringSet object and typically comes from a source file (FASTA) with multiple records. The names returned by mseqnames(x) usually reflect the names of those source files but a common prefix or suffix was eventually removed in order to keep them as short as possible.

names(x): Return the index of all sequences contained in x. This is the same as c(seqnames(x), mseqnames(x)).

length(x): Return the length of x, i.e., the number of all sequences that it contains. This is the same as length(names(x)).

x[[name]]: Return sequence (single or multiple) named name. No sequence is actually loaded into memory until this is explicitly requested with a call to x[[name]] or x$name. When loaded, a sequence is kept in a cache. It will be automatically removed from the cache at garbage collection if it’s not in use anymore i.e. if there are no reference to it (other than the reference stored in the cache). With options(verbose=TRUE), a message is printed each time a sequence is removed from the cache.

x$name: Same as x[[name]] but name is not evaluated and therefore must be a literal character string or a name (possibly backtick quoted).

masknames(x): The names of the built-in masks that are defined for all the single sequences. There can be up to 4 built-in masks per sequence. These will always be (in this order): (1) the mask of assembly gaps, aka "the AGAPS mask"; (2) the mask of intra-contig ambiguities, aka "the AMB mask"; (3) the mask of repeat regions that were determined by the RepeatMasker software, aka "the RM mask"; (4) the mask of repeat regions that were determined by the Tandem Repeats Finder software (where only repeats with period less than or equal to 12 were kept), aka "the TRF mask". All the single sequences in a given package are guaranteed to have the same collection of built-in masks (same number of masks and in the same order). masknames(x) gives the names of the masks in this collection. Therefore the value returned by masknames(x) is a character vector made of the first N elements of c("AGAPS", "AMB", "RM", "TRF"), where N depends only on the BSgenome data package being looked at (0 <= N <= 4). The man page for most BSgenome data packages should provide the exact list and permanent URLs of the source data files that were used to extract the built-in masks. For example, if you’ve installed the BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg18 package, load it and see the Note section in ?BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg18 package, load it and see the Note section in

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See Also
available.genomes, GenomeDescription-class, XString-class, MaskedXString-class, XStringSet-class, injectSNPs, subseq, getSeq, matchPattern, rm, gc

Examples
## Loading a BSgenome data package doesn't load its sequences into memory:
library(BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2)

## Number of sequences in this genome:
length(Celegans)

## Display a summary of the sequences:
Celegans

## Index of single sequences:
seqnames(Celegans)

## Lengths (i.e. number of nucleotides) of the sequences:
seqlengths(Celegans)

## Load chromosome I from disk to memory (hence takes some time)
## and keep a reference to it:
chrI <- Celegans["chrI"]  # equivalent to Celegans$chrI

chrI

class(chrI)  # a DNAString instance
length(chrI)  # with 15080483 nucleotides

## Multiple sequences:
mseqnames(Celegans)
upstream1000 <- Celegans$upstream1000
upstream1000
class(upstream1000)  # a DNAStringSet instance

## Character vector containing the description lines of the first
## 4 sequences in the original FASTA file:
names(upstream1000)[1:4]

## PASS-BY-ADDRESS SEMANTIC, CACHING AND MEMORY USAGE
## ---------------------------------------------------------------------
## We want a message to be printed each time a sequence is removed
## from the cache:
options(quiet=TRUE)
gc()  # nothing seems to be removed from the cache
rm(chrI, upstream1000)
gc()  # chrI and upstream1000 are removed from the cache (they are
# not in use anymore)
options(quiet=FALSE)

## Get the current amount of data in memory (in Mb):
mem0 <- gc()["Vcells", "(Mb)"]

system.time(chrV <- Celegans["chrV"]))  # read from disk
gc()["Vcells", "(Mb)"] - mem0  # chrV occupies 20Mb in memory

system.time(tmp <- Celegans["chrV"]))  # much faster! (sequence
# is in the cache)
gc()["Vcells", "(Mb)"] - mem0  # we're still using 20Mb (sequences
# have a pass-by-address semantic
# i.e. the sequence data are not
# duplicated)

## subseq() doesn't copy the sequence data either, hence it is very
## fast and memory efficient (but the returned object will hold a
## reference to chrV):
y <- subseq(chrV, 10, 8000000)
gc() ["Vcells", "(Mb)"] - mem0

## We must remove all references to chrV before it can be removed from
## the cache (so the 20Mb of memory used by this sequence are freed).
options(verbose=TRUE)
rm(chrV, tmp)
gc()

## Remember that 'y' holds a reference to chrV too:
rm(y)
gc()
options(verbose=FALSE)
gc() ["Vcells", "(Mb)"] - mem0

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**BSgenomeForge**

### The BSgenomeForge functions

**Description**

A set of functions for making a BSgenome data package.

**Usage**

```r
## Top-level BSgenomeForge function:
forgeBSgenomeDataPkg(x, seqs_srcdir=".", masks_srcdir=".", destdir=".", verbose=TRUE)

## Low-level BSgenomeForge functions:
forgeSeqlengthsFile(seqnames, prefix="", suffix=".fa",
seqs_srcdir=".", seqs_destdir=".", verbose=TRUE)

forgeSeqFiles(seqnames, mseqnames=NULL, prefix="", suffix=".fa",
seqs_srcdir=".", seqs_destdir=".", verbose=TRUE)

forgeMasksFiles(seqnames, nmask_per_seq,
seqs_destdir=".", masks_srcdir=".", masks_destdir=".",
AGAPSfiles_type="gap", AGAPSfiles_name=NA,
AGAPSfiles_prefix="", AGAPSfiles_suffix="_gap.txt",
RMfiles_name=NA, RMfiles_prefix="", RMfiles_suffix=".fa.out",
TRFfiles_name=NA, TRFfiles_prefix="", TRFfiles_suffix=".bed",
verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` A BSgenomeDataPkgSeed object or the name of a BSgenome data package seed file. See the BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for more information.
seqs_srcdir, masks_srcdir

Single strings indicating the path to the source directories i.e. to the directories
containing the source data files. Only read access to these directories is needed.
See the BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for more information.

destdir

A single string indicating the path to the directory where the source tree of the
target package should be created. This directory must already exist. See the
BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for more information.

verbose

TRUE or FALSE.

seqnames, mseqnames

A character vector containing the names of the single (for seqnames) and mul-
tiple (for mseqnames) sequences to forge. See the BSgenomeForge vignette
in this package for more information.

prefix, suffix

See the BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for more information, in par-
ticular the description of the seqfiles_prefix and seqfiles_suffix
fields of a BSgenome data package seed file.

seqs_destdir, masks_destdir

During the forging process the source data files are converted into serialized
Biostrings objects. seqs_destdir and masks_destdir must be single
strings indicating the path to the directories where these serialized objects should
be saved. These directories must already exist.

forgeSeqLengthsFile will produce a single .rda file. Both forgeSeqFiles
and forgeMasksFiles will produce one .rda file per sequence.

nmask_per_seq

A single integer indicating the desired number of masks per sequence. See the
BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for more information.

AGAPSfiles_type, AGAPSfiles_name, AGAPSfiles_prefix, AGAPSfiles_suffix, RMfiles_name, RMfiles_prefix, RMfiles_suffix, TRFfiles_name, TRFfiles_prefix, TRFfiles_suffix

These arguments are named accordingly to the corresponding fields of a BSgenome
data package seed file. See the BSgenomeForge vignette in this package for
more information.

Details

These functions are intended for Bioconductor users who want to make a new BSgenome data
package, not for regular users of these packages. See the BSgenomeForge vignette in this package
(vignette("BSgenomeForge")) for an extensive coverage of this topic.

Author(s)

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Examples

forgeSeqFiles("chrM", prefix="ce2", suffix=".fa",
        seqs_srcdir=system.file("extdata", package="BSgenome"),
        seqs_destdir=tempdir())
load(file.path(tempdir(), "chrM.rda"))
chrM
BSParams-class

Class "BSParams"

Description
A parameter class for representing all parameters needed for running the bsapply method.

Objects from the Class
Objects can be created by calls of the form new("BSParams", ...).

Slots
- **X**: a BSgenome object that contains chromosomes that you wish to apply FUN on
- **FUN**: the function to apply to each chromosome in the BSgenome object 'X'
- **exclude**: this is a character vector with strings that will be used to filter out chromosomes whose names match these strings.
- **simplify**: TRUE/FALSE value to indicate whether or not the function should try to simplify the output for you.
- **maskList**: A named logical vector of maskStates preferred when used with a BSGenome object. When using the bsapply function, the masks will be set to the states in this vector.
- **motifList**: A character vector which should contain motifs that the user wishes to mask from the sequence.

Methods
- **bsapply**: Performs the function FUN using the parameters contained within BSParams.

Author(s)
Marc Carlson

See Also
bsapply

gdapply

Applies a function to elements of a GenomeData

Description
Returns a list of values obtained by applying a function to elements of a GenomeData or GenomeDataList object.

Usage
gdapply(X, FUN, ...)

GenomeData-class

Arguments

- **X**: An object of class "GenomeData" or "GenomeDataList".
- **FUN**: A function to be applied to each chromosome-level sub-element of `X`.
- **...**: Further arguments; passed to `FUN`.

Value

Typically an object of the same class as `X`.

Author(s)

Deepayan Sarkar

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**GenomeData-class**  
*Data on the genome*

**Description**

`GenomeData` formally represents genomic data as a list, with one element per chromosome in the genome.

**Details**

This class facilitates storing data on the genome by formalizing a set of metadata fields for storing the organism (e.g. Mmusculus), genome build provider (e.g. UCSC), and genome build version (e.g. mm9).

The data is represented as a list, with one element per chromosome (or really any sequence, like a gene). There are no constraints as to the data type of the elements.

Note that as an `AnnotatedList`, it is possible to store chromosome-level data (e.g. the lengths) in the `elementMetadata` slot. The `organism`, `provider` and `providerVersion` are all stored in the `AnnotatedList metadata`, so they may be retrieved in list form by calling `metadata(x)`.

**Accessor methods**

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

- `organism(x)`: Get the single string indicating the organism, if specified, otherwise `NULL`.
- `provider(x)`: Get the single string indicating the genome build provider, if specified, otherwise `NULL`.
- `providerVersion(x)`: Get the single string indicating the genome build version, if specified, otherwise `NULL`. 
Constructor

GenomeData(elements = list(), providerVersion = NULL, organism = NULL, provider = NULL, metadata = list(), elementMetadata = NULL, ...):

Creates a GenomeData with the elements from the elements parameter, a list. The other arguments correspond to the metadata fields, and, with the exception of elementMetadata, should all be either single strings or NULL (unspecified). Additional global metadata elements may be passed in metadata, in list-form, and via ... The elements in metadata are always overridden by the explicit arguments, like organism and those in ... elementMetadata should be an XDataFrame or NULL.

Coerotion

as(from, "data.frame"): Coerces each subelement to a data frame, and binds them into a single data frame with an additional column indicating chromosome

Author(s)

Michael Lawrence

See Also

GenomeDataList, a container of this class and useful for storing data on multiple samples.
AnnotatedList, the base of this class.

Examples

gd <- GenomeData(list(chr1 = IRanges(1, 10), chrX = IRanges(2, 5)), organism = "Mmusculus", provider = "UCSC", providerVersion = "mm9")
organism(gd)
providerVersion(gd)
provider(gd)
gd["chr1"] # get data for chromosome 1
GenomeDescription-class

Constructor

GenomeDataList(elements = list(), metadata = list(), elementMetadata = NULL): Creates a GenomeDataList with the elements from the elements parameter, a list of GenomeData instances. The other arguments correspond to the optional metadata stored in AnnotatedList.

Coercion

as(from, "data.frame"): Coerces each subelement to a data frame, and binds them into a single data frame with an additional column indicating chromosome

Author(s)

Michael Lawrence

See Also

GenomeData, the type of elements stored in this class. AnnotatedList, the base of this class.

Examples

gd <- GenomeData(list(chr1 = IRanges(1, 10), chrX = IRanges(2, 5)), organism = "Mus musculus", provider = "UCSC", providerVersion = "mm9")
gdl <- GenomeDataList(list(gd), elementMetadata = XDataFrame(induced = TRUE))
gdl[[1]]  # get first element

Description

A GenomeDescription object holds the meta information describing a given genome.

Details

In general the user will not need to manipulate directly a GenomeDescription instance but will manipulate instead a higher-level object that belongs to a class containing the GenomeDescription class. For example the top-level object defined in any BSgenome data package is a BSgenome object. But because the BSgenome class contains the GenomeDescription class, it is also a GenomeDescription object and can therefore be treated as such. In other words all the methods described below will work on it.

Accessor methods

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

organism(x): Return the target organism for this genome e.g. "Homo sapiens", "Mus musculus", "Caenorhabditis elegans", etc...
species(x): Return the target species for this genome e.g. "Human", "Mouse", "Norm", etc...
getSeq

provider(x): Return the provider of this genome e.g. "UCSC", "BDGP", "FlyBase", etc...

providerVersion(x): Return the provider-side version of this genome. For example UCSC uses versions "hg18", "hg17", etc... for the different Builds of the Human genome.

releaseDate(x): Return the release date of this genome e.g. "Mar. 2006".

releaseName(x): Return the release name of this genome, which is generally made of the name of the organization who assembled it plus its Build version. For example, UCSC uses "hg18" for the version of the Human genome corresponding to the Build 36.1 from NCBI hence the release name for this genome is "NCBI Build 36.1".

Author(s)

H. Pages

See Also

available.genomes, BSgenome-class

Examples

library(BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2)
provider(Celegans)
as(Celegans, "GenomeDescription")

Description

A convenience function for extracting a set of sequences (or subsequences) from a BSgenome or other object. This man page specifically documents the BSgenome method.

Usage

getSeq(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSgenome':
getSeq(x, names, start=NA, end=NA, width=NA, strand="+", as.character=TRUE)

Arguments

x

A BSgenome object. See the available.genomes function for how to install a genome.

names

The names of the sequences to extract from x. If missing, then seqnames(x) is used.
See ?seqnames and ?mseqnames to get the list of single sequences and multiple sequences (respectively) contained in x.

Here is how the lookup between the names passed to the names argument and the sequences in x is performed. For each name in names: (1) if x contains a single sequence with that name then this sequence is returned; (2) otherwise the names of all the elements in all the multiple sequences are searched: name is treated as a regular expression and grep is used for this search. If exactly one sequence is found, then it’s returned, otherwise an error is raised.
getSeq

**start, end, width**
Vector of integers (eventually with NAs).

**strand**
A vector containing +s or/and −s.

**as.character** TRUE or FALSE. Should the extracted sequences be returned in a standard character vector?

**Details**

The `names`, `start`, `end`, `width` and `strand` arguments are expanded cyclically to the length of the longest provided none are of zero length.

**Value**

A standard character vector when `as.character=TRUE`. Note that when `as.character=TRUE`, then the masks that are defined on top of the sequences to extract are ignored (i.e. dropped) if any (see `MaskedXString-class` for more information about masked sequences).

A DNAString or MaskedDNAString object when `as.character=FALSE`. Note that `as.character=FALSE` is not supported yet when extracting more than one sequence.

**Note**

Be aware that using `as.character=TRUE` can be very inefficient when the returned character vector contains very long strings (> 1 million letters) or is itself a long vector (> 10000 strings).

getSeq is much more efficient when used with `as.character=FALSE` but this works only for extracting one sequence at a time for now.

**Author(s)**

H. Pages; improvements suggested by Matt Settles

**See Also**

available.genomes, BSgenome-class, seqnames, mseqnames, grep, subseq, DNAString, MaskedDNAString, [,BSgenome-method

**Examples**

```r
# Load the Caenorhabditis elegans genome (UCSC Release ce2):
library(BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce2)

# Look at the index of sequences:
Celegans

# Get chromosome V as a DNAString object:
getSeq(Celegans, "chrV", as.character=FALSE)
# which is in fact the same as doing:
Celegans$chrV

# Never try this:
# getSeq(Celegans, "chrV")
# or this (even worse):
# getSeq(Celegans)

# Get the first 20 bases of each chromosome:
```
getSeq(Celegans, end=20)

# Get the last 20 bases of each chromosome:
getSeq(Celegans, start=-20)

# Extracting small sequences from different chromosomes:
myseqs <- data.frame(
  chr=c("chrI", "chrX", "chrM", "chrX", "chrI", "chrM", "chrI"),
  start=c(NA, -40, 8510, 301, 30001, 9220500, -2804),
  end=c(50, NA, 8522, 3011, 9220555, -2801, -30),
  strand=c("+", "+", "+", "+", "+", "+", "+")
)
getSeq(Celegans, myseqs$chr,
  start=myseqs$start, end=myseqs$end)
getSeq(Celegans, myseqs$chr,
  start=myseqs$start, end=myseqs$end, strand=myseqs$strand)

# Get the "NM_058280_up_1000" sequence (belongs to the upstream1000
# multiple sequence) as a character string:
s1 <- getSeq(Celegans, "NM_058280_up_1000")
# or a DNAString object (more efficient):
s2 <- getSeq(Celegans, "NM_058280_up_1000", as.character=FALSE)

getSeq(Celegans, "NM_058280_up_5000", start=-1000) == s1  # TRUE
getSeq(Celegans, "NM_058280_up_5000",
  start=-1000, as.character=FALSE) == s2  # TRUE

### injectSNPs

**SNP injection**

**Description**

Inject SNPs from a SNPlocs data package into a genome.

**Usage**

```r
available.SNPs(type=getOption("pkgType"))
injectSNPs(x, SNPlocs_pkgname)
```

```
## Related utilities
SNPlocs_pkgname(x)
SNPcount(x)
SNPlocs(x, seqname)
```

**Arguments**

- `type` Character string indicating the type of package ("source", "mac.binary" or "win.binary") to look for.
- `x` A `BSgenome` object.
- `SNPlocs_pkgname` The name of a SNPlocs data package containing SNP information for the single sequences contained in `x`. This package must be already installed (in `injectSNPs` won’t try to install it).
injectSNPs

seqname  The name of a single sequence in x.

Value
available.SNPs returns a character vector containing the names of the SNPlocs data packages that are currently available on the Bioconductor repositories for your version of R/Bioconductor. A SNPlocs data package contains basic SNP information (location and alleles) for a given organism.
injectSNPs returns a copy of the original genome x where some or all of the single sequences were altered by injecting the SNPs defined in the SNPlocs_pkgname package.
SNPlocs_pkgname, SNPcount and SNPlocs return NULL if no SNPs were injected in x (i.e. if x is not a BSgenome object returned by a previous call to injectSNPs). Otherwise SNPlocs_pkgname returns the name of the package from which the SNPs were injected, SNPcount the number of SNPs for each altered sequence in x, and SNPlocs their locations in the sequence whose name is specified by seqname.

Note
injectSNPs, SNPlocs_pkgname, SNPcount and SNPlocs have the side effect to try to load the SNPlocs data package if it’s not already loaded.

Author(s)
H. Pages

See Also
BSgenome-class, .inplaceReplaceLetterAt

Examples

```r
## Get the list of SNPlocs data packages currently available:
available.SNPs()

if (interactive()) {
  ## Make your choice and install with:
  source("http://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
  biocLite("SNPlocs.Hsapiens.dbSNP.20071016")
}

## Inject SNPs from dbSNP into the Human genome:
library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg18)
Hsapiens
SNPlocs_pkgname(Hsapiens)

HsWithSNPs <- injectSNPs(Hsapiens, "SNPlocs.Hsapiens.dbSNP.20071016")
HsWithSNPs  # note the extra "with SNPs injected from ..." line
SNPlocs_pkgname(HsWithSNPs)
SNPcount(HsWithSNPs)
SNPlocs(HsWithSNPs, "chr1")

alphabetFrequency(Hsapiens$chr1)
alphabetFrequency(HsWithSNPs$chr1)
```
Description

The `strand` generic is meant as an accessor for strand information. Two methods are defined by the BSgenome package, described below.

Usage

`strand(x, ...)`

Arguments

- `x` The object from which to obtain a strand factor, can be missing.
- `...` Additional arguments to pass to methods

Details

If `x` is missing, returns an empty factor with the standard levels that any strand factor should have: `+`, `-`, and `*` (for either).

If `x` is a character vector, `x` is coerced to a factor with the levels listed above.

Author(s)

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Examples

`strand()`
`strand(c("+", "-", NA, "*"))`
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