Package 'alabaster.se'

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Title Load and Save SummarizedExperiments from File

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Description Save SummarizedExperiments into file artifacts, and load them back into memory.
This is a more portable alternative to serialization of such objects into RDS files.
Each artifact is associated with metadata for further interpretation;
downstream applications can enrich this metadata with context-specific properties.

Depends SummarizedExperiment, alabaster.base

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S4Vectors, IRanges, GenomicRanges, jsonlite

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emptyRowRanges   *Is the* rowRanges *empty?*

Description

Check the rowRanges of a RangedSummarizedExperiment is empty, i.e., a GRangesList with no ranges.

Usage

```
emptyRowRanges(x)
```

Arguments

x   A RangedSummarizedExperiment object or the contents of its rowRanges.

Details

Metadata in mcols is ignored for the purpose of this discussion, as this can be moved to the rowData(x) of the base SummarizedExperiment class without loss. In other words, non-empty mcols will not be used to determine that the rowRanges is not empty. However, non-empty fields in the metadata or in the inner mcols of the GRanges will trigger a non-emptiness decision.

Value

A logical scalar indicating whether x has empty rowRanges.

Examples

```
emptyRowRanges(SummarizedExperiment())
emptyRowRanges(SummarizedExperiment(rowRanges=GRanges()))
emptyRowRanges(SummarizedExperiment(rowRanges=GRangesList()))
```

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readRangedSummarizedExperiment
                            Read a RangedSummarizedExperiment from disk

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Description

Read a RangedSummarizedExperiment from its on-disk representation. This is usually not directly called by users, but is instead called by dispatch in readObject.

Usage

```
readRangedSummarizedExperiment(path, metadata, ...)
```

Arguments

path	String containing a path to a directory, itself created using the `saveObject` method for RangedSummarizedExperiment objects.
metadata	Named list of metadata for this object, see `readObjectFile` for details.
...	Further arguments passed to `readSummarizedExperiment` and internal `altReadObject` calls.

Value

A RangedSummarizedExperiment object.

Author(s)

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See Also

`"saveObject,RangedSummarizedExperiment-method"`, to save the RangedSummarizedExperiment to disk.

Examples

```
# Mocking up an experiment:
mat <- matrix(rpois(10000, 10), ncol=10)
colnames(mat) <- letters[1:10]
rownames(mat) <- sprintf("GENE_%i", seq_len(nrow(mat)))

gr <- GRanges("chrA", IRanges(1:1000, width=10))
se <- SummarizedExperiment(list(counts=mat), rowRanges=gr)
se$stuff <- LETTERS[1:10]
rowData(se)$blah <- runif(1000)
metadata(se)$whee <- "YAY"

tmp <- tempfile()
saveObject(se, tmp)
readObject(tmp)
```

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readSummarizedExperiment

Read a SummarizedExperiment from disk

Description

Read a SummarizedExperiment from its on-disk representation. This is usually not directly called by users, but is instead called by dispatch in `readObject`.

Usage

```
readSummarizedExperiment(path, metadata, ...)
```

Arguments

`path`	String containing a path to a directory, itself created using the `saveObject` method for SummarizedExperiment objects.
`metadata`	Named list of metadata for this object, see `readObjectFile` for details.
`...`	Further arguments passed to internal `altReadObject` calls.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object.

Author(s)

Aaron Lun

See Also

"`saveObject,SummarizedExperiment-method`", to save the SummarizedExperiment to disk.

Examples

```
# Mocking up an experiment:
mat <- matrix(rpois(10000, 10), ncol=10)
colnames(mat) <- letters[1:10]
rownames(mat) <- sprintf("GENE_%i", seq_len(nrow(mat)))

se <- SummarizedExperiment(list(counts=mat))
se$stuff <- LETTERS[1:10]
rowData(se)$blah <- runif(1000)
metadata(se)$whee <- "YAY"

tmp <- tempfile()
saveObject(se, tmp)
readObject(tmp)
```

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saveRangedSummarizedExperiment

Save a RangedSummarizedExperiment to disk

Description

Save a RangedSummarizedExperiment to its on-disk representation.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RangedSummarizedExperiment'
saveObject(x, path, ...)
```

Arguments

x	A [RangedSummarizedExperiment](#) object or one of its subclasses.
path	String containing the path to a directory in which to save x.
...	Further arguments to pass to `"saveObject,SummarizedExperiment-method"` and internal `altSaveObject` calls.

Value

x is saved into `path` and `NULL` is invisibly returned.

Author(s)

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See Also

[readRangedSummarizedExperiment](#), to read the RangedSummarizedExperiment back into the R session.

Examples

```
mat <- matrix(rpois(10000, 10), ncol=10)
colnames(mat) <- letters[1:10]
rownames(mat) <- sprintf("GENE_%i", seq_len(nrow(mat)))

gr <- GRanges("chrA", IRanges(1:1000, width=10))
se <- SummarizedExperiment(list(counts=mat), rowRanges=gr)
se$stuff <- LETTERS[1:10]
rowData(se)$blah <- runif(1000)
metadata(se)$whee <- "YAY"

tmp <- tempfile()
saveObject(se, tmp)
list.files(tmp, recursive=TRUE)
```

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saveSummarizedExperiment

Save a SummarizedExperiment to disk

Description

Save a [SummarizedExperiment](#) to its on-disk representation.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SummarizedExperiment'
saveObject(x, path, SummarizedExperiment.allow.dataframe.assay = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	A [SummarizedExperiment](#) object or one of its subclasses.
path	String containing the path to a directory in which to save x.
SummarizedExperiment.allow.dataframe.assay	
	Logical scalar indicating whether to allow data frames as assays of x.
...	Further arguments to pass to internal [altSaveObject](#) calls.

Details

By default, we consider the presence of data frames in the assays to be an error. Users should coerce these into an appropriate matrix type, e.g., a dense matrix or a sparse dgCMatrix. If a DataFrame as an assay is truly desired, users may set [options](#)(alabaster.se.reject_data.frames=FALSE) to skip the error. Note that this only works for [DataFrame](#) objects - data.frame objects will not be saved correctly.

Value

x is saved into path and NULL is invisibly returned.

Author(s)

Aaron Lun

See Also

[readSummarizedExperiment](#), to read the SummarizedExperiment back into the R session.

Examples

```
mat <- matrix(rpois(10000, 10), ncol=10)
colnames(mat) <- letters[1:10]
rownames(mat) <- sprintf("GENE_%i", seq_len(nrow(mat)))

se <- SummarizedExperiment(list(counts=mat))
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