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.pairs2gi

Pairs parsing functions

Description

Pairs parsing functions

Usage

```
.pairs2gi(
  file,
  chr1.field = NULL,
  start1.field = NULL,
  chr2.field = NULL,
  start2.field = NULL,
  strand1.field = NULL,
  strand2.field = NULL,
  frag1.field = NULL,
  frag2.field = NULL,
  nThread = 1,
  nrows = Inf
)
```

Arguments

`file` pairs file. Default formatting is `<readname>\t<chr1>\t<start1>\t<chr2>\t<start2>`.
`chr1.field`, `start1.field`, `chr2.field`, `start2.field`, `strand1.field`,
`strand2.field`, `frag1.field`, `frag2.field`
 Index of the column in which each field is contained in the pairs file.

`nThread` Number of CPUs to use to import the pairs file in R

`nrows` Number of pairs to import

Value

a GInteractions object

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| AggrHiCExperiment | AggrHiCExperiment <i>S4 class</i> |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|

Description

The AggrHiCExperiment extends HiCExperiment class.

Usage

```
AggrHiCExperiment(
  file,
  resolution = NULL,
  targets,
  flankingBins = 50,
  metadata = list(),
  topologicalFeatures = S4Vectors::SimpleList(),
  pairsFile = NULL,
  bed = NULL,
  maxDistance = NULL,
  BPPARAM = BiocParallel::bpparam()
)
```

```

## S4 method for signature 'AggrHiCExperiment,missing'
slices(x)

## S4 method for signature 'AggrHiCExperiment,character'
slices(x, name)

## S4 method for signature 'AggrHiCExperiment,numeric'
slices(x, name)

## S4 method for signature 'AggrHiCExperiment'
show(object)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| file | CoolFile or plain path to a Hi-C contact file |
| resolution | Resolution to use with the Hi-C contact file |
| targets | Set of chromosome coordinates for which interaction counts are extracted from the Hi-C contact file, provided as a GRanges object (for diagonal-centered loci) or as a GInteractions object (for off-diagonal coordinates). |
| flankingBins | Number of bins on each flank of the bins containing input targets. |
| metadata | list of metadata |
| topologicalFeatures | topologicalFeatures provided as a named SimpleList |
| pairsFile | Path to an associated .pairs file |
| bed | Path to regions file generated by HiC-Pro |
| maxDistance | Maximum distance to use when compiling distance decay |
| BPPARAM | BiocParallel parameters |
| x, object | A AggrHiCExperiment object. |
| name | The name/index of slices to extract. |

Value

An AggrHiCExperiment object.

Slots

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| fileName | Path of Hi-C contact file |
| resolutions | Resolutions available in the Hi-C contact file. |
| resolution | Current resolution |
| interactions | Genomic Interactions extracted from the Hi-C contact file |
| scores | Available interaction scores. |
| slices | Available interaction slices. |
| topologicalFeatures | Topological features associated with the dataset (e.g. loops (<code>\<Pairs\></code>), borders (<code>\<GRanges\></code>), viewpoints (<code>\<GRanges\></code>), etc...) |
| pairsFile | Path to the .pairs file associated with the Hi-C contact file |
| metadata | metadata associated with the Hi-C contact file. |

See Also[HiCExperiment\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
fpath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'mcool')
data(centros_yeast)
x <- AggrHiCExperiment(
  file = fpath,
  resolution = 8000,
  targets = centros_yeast[c(4, 7)]
)
x
slices(x, 'count')[1:10, 1:10, 1]
```

AllGenerics*Generic functions*

Description

Generics functions created in HiCExperiment package.

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--------------------------------|
| x | Passed to corresponding method |
| name | Passed to corresponding method |
| value | Passed to corresponding method |
| ... | Passed to corresponding method |

as*Coercing functions*

Description

Coercing functions available for HiCExperiment objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
as.matrix(x, use.scores = "balanced", sparse = FALSE)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
as.data.frame(x)
```

```
gi2cm(gi, use.scores = "score")
```

```
cm2matrix(cm, replace_NA = NA, sparse = FALSE)
```

```
df2gi(
```

```

df,
seqnames1 = "seqnames1",
start1 = "start1",
end1 = "end1",
seqnames2 = "seqnames2",
start2 = "start2",
end2 = "end2"
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|--|---|
| x | HiCExperiment object |
| use.scores | Which scores to use to inflate GInteractions |
| sparse | Whether to return the contact matrix as a sparse matrix |
| gi | GInteractions object |
| cm | A ContactMatrix object |
| replace_NA | Replace NA values |
| df | A data.frame object |
| seqnames1, start1, end1, seqnames2, start2, end2 | Names (as strings) of columns containing corresponding information in a data.frame parsed into GInteractions (default: FALSE) |

Examples

```

mcoolPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'mcool')
contacts <- import(mcoolPath, focus = 'XVI', resolution = 16000, format = 'cool')
gis <- interactions(contacts)
cm <- gi2cm(gis, 'balanced')
cm
cm2matrix(cm)[1:10, 1:10]
df2gi(data.frame(
  chr1 = 'I', start1 = 10, end1 = 100,
  chr2 = 'I', start2 = 40, end2 = 1000,
  score = 12,
  weight = 0.234,
  filtered = TRUE
), seqnames1 = 'chr1', seqnames2 = 'chr2')

```

bin-methods

HiCExperiment binning methods

Description

HiCExperiment binning methods

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'GInteractions,numeric'
bin(x, resolution, seqinfo = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'PairsFile,numeric'
bin(x, resolution, seqinfo = NULL)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | A PairsFile or GInteractions object |
| resolution | Which resolution to use to bin the interactions |
| seqinfo | Seqinfo object |

Examples

```
pairsf <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')
pf <- PairsFile(pairsf)
```

checks

Checks functions

Description

Internal functions to validate the nature/structure of (m)cool files or HiCExperiment objects. All these check functions should return a logical.

Usage

```
.check_cool_file(path)
.check_cool_format(path, resolution, ...)
.is_mcool(path)
.is_cool(path)
.check_hic_file(path)
.check_hic_format(path, resolution, ...)
.is_hic(path)
.check_hicpro_files(path, bed)
.is_hicpro_matrix(path)
.is_hicpro_regions(bed)
.check_resolution(contacts, resolution)
.check_scores(contacts, use.scores)
.is_square(pair)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| path | Path of a (m)cool file |
| resolution | Resolution |
| ... | HiCExperiment object, arguments passed on by other functions |
| bed | Path to regions file generated by HiC-Pro |
| contacts | A HiCExperiment object |
| use.scores | Name of scores to check |
| pair | Pairs object with length of 1 |

Value

Logical

ContactsFile-class ContactsFile *S4 class*

Description

The ContactsFile class describes a BiocFile object, pointing to the location of an Hi-C matrix file (cool, mcool, hic, hicpro, ...) and containing additional slots:

1. resolution: at which resolution the associated mcool file should be parsed
2. pairsFile: the path (in plain character) to an optional pairs file (stored as a PairsFile object);
3. metadata: a list. If the CoolFile is created by HiCool, it will contain two elements: log (path to HiCool processing log file) and stats (aggregating some stats from HiCool mapping).

ContactsFile methods.

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| path | String; path to an Hi-C matrix file (cool, mcool, hic, hicpro) |
| resolution | numeric; resolution to use with Hi-C matrix file |
| pairsFile | String; path to a pairs file |
| metadata | list. |
| object | A ContactsFile object. |
| x | A ContactsFile object. |

Slots

resolution numeric value or NULL
 pairsFile PairsFile object
 metadata list

See Also

[CoolFile\(\)](#), [HicFile\(\)](#), [HicproFile\(\)](#)

| | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| CoolFile-class | CoolFile <i>S4</i> class |
|----------------|--------------------------|

Description

The CoolFile class describes a BiocFile object, pointing to the location of an Hi-C matrix file (cool, mcool, hic, hicpro, ...) and containing additional slots:

1. resolution: at which resolution the associated mcool file should be parsed
2. pairsFile: the path (in plain character) to an optional pairs file (stored as a PairsFile object);
3. metadata: a list. If the CoolFile is created by HiCool, it will contain two elements: log (path to HiCool processing log file) and stats (aggregating some stats from HiCool mapping).

CoolFile methods.

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| path | String; path to a (m)cool file |
| resolution | numeric; resolution to use with mcool file |
| pairsFile | String; path to a pairs file |
| metadata | list; if the CoolFile object was generated by HiCool::HiCool, this list contains the path to log file, some statistics regarding the number of pairs obtained by hicstuff as well as the arguments and the hash ID used by HiCool. |
| object | A CoolFile object. |

See Also

[HicFile\(\)](#), [HicproFile\(\)](#)

Examples

```
mcoolPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'mcool')
pairsPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')
cf <- CoolFile(
  mcoolPath,
  resolution = 2000,
  pairsFile = pairsPath,
  metadata = list(info = 'Yeast WT Hi-C exp.')
)
cf
resolution(cf)
pairsFile(cf)
metadata(cf)
```

| | |
|------|--|
| data | <i>Example datasets provided in HiCExperiment & HiContactsData</i> |
|------|--|

Description

Example datasets provided in HiCExperiment & HiContactsData

Usage

```
data(centros_yeast)
contacts_yeast(full = FALSE)
contacts_yeast_eco1(full = FALSE)
```

Arguments

full Whether to import all interactions

Format

An object of class "GRanges".

Source

HiContacts

Examples

```
data(centros_yeast)
centros_yeast
contacts_yeast()
```

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| export-methods | <i>HiCExperiment export methods</i> |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

Export methods to save a HiCExperiment object into a set of HiC-Pro-style files (matrix & regions files)

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,missing,character'
export(object, prefix, format, ...)
```

Arguments

object A HiCExperiment object
 prefix Prefix used when generating output file(s).
 format File format. Available: cool and HiC-Pro.
 ... Extra arguments to use when exporting to cool. Can be metadata <string>
 or chunksize <integer>.

Value

Path to saved files

Examples

```
#####
## ----- Importing .(m)cool contact matrices ----- ##
#####

mcoolPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'mcool')
hic <- import(mcoolPath, format = 'mcool', resolution = 16000)
export(hic["II"], prefix = 'subset_chrII', format = 'cool')
export(hic["II"], prefix = 'subset_chrII', format = 'HiC-Pro')
```

HiCExperiment

HiCExperiment *S4 class*

Description

The HiCExperiment class describes Hi-C contact files imported in R, either through the HiCExperiment constructor function or using the import method implemented by HiCExperiment package.

Usage

```
HiCExperiment(
  file,
  resolution = NULL,
  focus = NULL,
  metadata = list(),
  topologicalFeatures = S4Vectors::SimpleList(compartments = GenomicRanges::GRanges(),
  borders = GenomicRanges::GRanges(), loops =
  InteractionSet::GInteractions(GenomicRanges::GRanges(), GenomicRanges::GRanges()),
  viewpoints = GenomicRanges::GRanges()),
  pairsFile = NULL,
  bed = NULL
)

makeHiCExperimentFromGInteractions(gi)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
resolutions(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
```

```
resolution(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
focus(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character'
focus(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,numeric'
zoom(x, resolution)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character'
refocus(x, focus)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,missing'
scores(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character'
scores(x, name)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,numeric'
scores(x, name)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character,numeric'
scores(x, name) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,missing'
topologicalFeatures(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character'
topologicalFeatures(x, name)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,numeric'
topologicalFeatures(x, name)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character,GRangesOrGInteractions'
topologicalFeatures(x, name) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
pairsFile(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character'
pairsFile(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,list'
metadata(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,numeric'
subsetByOverlaps(x, ranges)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,logical'
subsetByOverlaps(x, ranges)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,GRanges'  
subsetByOverlaps(x, ranges, type = c("within", "any"))  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,GInteractions'  
subsetByOverlaps(x, ranges)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,Pairs'  
subsetByOverlaps(x, ranges)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,numeric,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,GRanges,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,logical,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,GInteractions,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,Pairs,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment,character,ANY,ANY'  
x[i]  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
fileName(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
interactions(x, fillout.regions = FALSE)  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment,GInteractions'  
interactions(x) <- value  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
length(x)  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
x$name <- value  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
x$name  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
seqinfo(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'  
bins(x)
```

```

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
anchors(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
regions(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
cis(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HiCExperiment'
trans(x)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| file | CoolFile or plain path to a Hi-C contact file |
| resolution | Resolution to use with the Hi-C contact file |
| focus | Chromosome coordinates for which interaction counts are extracted from the Hi-C contact file, provided as a character string (e.g. "II:4001-5000"). If not provided, the entire Hi-C contact file will be imported. |
| metadata | list of metadata |
| topologicalFeatures | topologicalFeatures provided as a named SimpleList |
| pairsFile | Path to an associated .pairs file (optional) |
| bed | Path to regions file generated by HiC-Pro (optional) |
| gi | GInteractions object |
| x | A HiCExperiment object. |
| value | Value to add to topologicalFeatures, scores, pairsFile or metadata slots. |
| name | Name of the element to access in topologicalFeatures or scores SimpleLists. |
| type | any of within or any, to subset interactions by overlap with a provided GRanges. |
| i, ranges | a GRanges, coordinates in character, or boolean vector to subset a HiCExperiment |
| object | A HiCExperiment object. |
| fillout.regions | Whether to add missing regions to GInteractions' regions? |

Value

An HiCExperiment object.

Slots

| | |
|--------------|---|
| fileName | Path of Hi-C contact file |
| focus | Chr. coordinates for which interaction counts are extracted from the Hi-C contact file. |
| resolutions | Resolutions available in the Hi-C contact file. |
| resolution | Current resolution |
| interactions | Genomic Interactions extracted from the Hi-C contact file |
| scores | Available interaction scores. |

topologicalFeatures Topological features associated with the dataset (e.g. loops (\langle GInteractions \rangle), borders (\langle GRanges \rangle), viewpoints (\langle GRanges \rangle), etc...)

pairsFile Path to the .pairs file associated with the Hi-C contact file

metadata metadata associated with the Hi-C contact file.

See Also

[AggrHiCExperiment\(\)](#), [CoolFile\(\)](#), [HicFile\(\)](#), [HicproFile\(\)](#), [PairsFile\(\)](#)

Examples

```
#####
## Create a HiCExperiment object from a disk-stored contact matrix ##
#####

mcool_file <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData("yeast_wt", "mcool")
pairs_file <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData("yeast_wt", "pairs.gz")
contacts <- HiCExperiment(
  file = mcool_file,
  resolution = 8000L,
  pairsFile = pairs_file
)
contacts

#####
## ----- Manually create a HiCExperiment from GInteractions ----- ##
#####

gis <- interactions(contacts)[1:1000]
contacts2 <- makeHiCExperimentFromGInteractions(gis)
contacts2

#####
## ----- Slots present in an HiCExperiment object ----- ##
#####

fileName(contacts)
focus(contacts)
resolutions(contacts)
resolution(contacts)
interactions(contacts)
scores(contacts)
topologicalFeatures(contacts)
pairsFile(contacts)

#####
## ----- Slot getters ----- ##
#####

scores(contacts, 1) |> head()
scores(contacts, 'balanced') |> head()
topologicalFeatures(contacts, 1)

#####
## ----- Slot setters ----- ##
#####
```

```

scores(contacts, 'random') <- runif(length(contacts))
topologicalFeatures(contacts, 'loops') <- InteractionSet::GInteractions(
  GenomicRanges::GRanges('II:15324'),
  GenomicRanges::GRanges('II:24310')
)
pairsFile(contacts) <- HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')

#####
## ----- Subsetting functions ----- ##
#####

contacts[1:100]
contacts['II']
contacts[c('II', 'III')]
contacts['II|III']
contacts['II:10001-30000|III:50001-90000']

#####
## ----- Utils functions ----- ##
#####
## Adapted from other packages

seqinfo(contacts)
bins(contacts)
anchors(contacts)
regions(contacts)

#####
## ----- Coercing HiCExperiment objects ----- ##
#####

as(contacts, 'GInteractions')
as(contacts, 'ContactMatrix')
as(contacts, 'matrix')[seq_len(10), seq_len(10)]
as(contacts, 'data.frame')[seq_len(10), seq_len(10)]

```

HiCExperiment utils *Utils functions*

Description

Utilities to facilitate parsing/handling of coordinates, GInteractions, Pairs, ... These functions are not exported.

Usage

```

splitCoords(coords)

coords2char(coords, big.mark = ",")

char2coords(char)

sortPairs(pairs)

```



```

asGInteractions(df)

sdiag(A, k = 0)

.df2symmmat(diag, score)

distanceDecay(dump, threshold = NULL)

detrendingModel(file, resolution)

.fixRegions(gis, bins, coords)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| coords | A set of genomic coordinates (either as a GRanges object or as a character string) |
| big.mark | Separator for thousands when printing out genomic coordinates as character |
| char | char (e.g. "II:30001-50000" or "II:30001-50000II:60001-80000") |
| pairs | Pairs object |
| df | a data.frame to turn into a GInteraction object. |
| A | Numerical matrix |
| k | secondary diagonal k |
| diag | vector of distances to diagonal |
| score | scores to parse into symmetrical matrix |
| dump | dumped contacts as GInteractions, e.g. from .dumpCool |
| threshold | maximum distance to compute distance decay for |
| file | path to a HiC contact matrix file |
| resolution | Resolution to use with the HiC contact matrix file |
| gis | GInteractions object |
| bins | Larger set of regions (usually bins from HiCExperiment) |

Value

Reformatted coordinates or GInteractions.

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|---------------|-------------------------|
| HicFile-class | HicFile <i>S4 class</i> |
|---------------|-------------------------|

Description

The HicFile class describes a BiocFile object, pointing to the location of a .hic file (usually created with juicer) and containing 3 additional slots:

1. resolution: at which resolution the associated .hic file should be parsed;
2. pairsFile: the path (in plain character) to an optional pairs file (stored as a PairsFile object);
3. metadata: a list metadata

HicFile methods.

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| path | String; path to a .hic file |
| resolution | numeric; resolution to use with mcool file |
| pairsFile | String; path to a pairs file |
| metadata | list. |
| object | A HicFile object. |

See Also

[CoolFile\(\)](#), [HicproFile\(\)](#)

Examples

```
hicPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hic')
pairsPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')
hic <- HicFile(
  hicPath,
  resolution = 16000,
  pairsFile = pairsPath,
  metadata = list(type = 'example')
)
hic
resolution(hic)
pairsFile(hic)
metadata(hic)
```

HicproFile-class

HicproFile *S4 class*

Description

The HicproFile class describes a BiocFile object, pointing to the location of a HiC-Pro-generated matrix file and containing 4 additional slots:

1. bed: path to the matching .bed file generated by HiC-Pro;
2. resolution: at which resolution the associated mcool file should be parsed ;
3. pairsFile: the path (in plain character) to an optional pairs file (stored as a PairsFile object);
4. metadata: a list metadata

HicproFile methods.

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| path | String; path to the HiC-Pro output .matrix file (matrix file) |
| bed | String; path to the HiC-Pro output .bed file (regions file) |
| pairsFile | String; path to a pairs file |
| metadata | list. |
| object | A HicproFile object. |

Slots

bed Path to the matching .bed file generated by HiC-Pro

See Also

[CoolFile\(\)](#), [HicFile\(\)](#)

Examples

```
hicproMatrixPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hicpro_matrix')
hicproBedPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hicpro_bed')
pairsPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')
hicpro <- HicproFile(
  hicproMatrixPath, bed = hicproBedPath, pairs = pairsPath ,
  metadata = list(type = 'example')
)
hicpro
resolution(hicpro)
pairsFile(hicpro)
metadata(hicpro)
```

import-methods

HiCExperiment import methods

Description

Import methods to parse Hi-C files (.m)cool, .hic, HiC-Pro derived matrices, pairs files) into data structures implemented in the HiCExperiment package.

Usage

```
import(con, format, text, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
availableResolutions(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'CoolFile'
availableResolutions(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HicFile'
availableResolutions(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HicproFile'
availableResolutions(x)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
availableChromosomes(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'CoolFile'
availableChromosomes(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HicFile'
```

```
availableChromosomes(x)

## S4 method for signature 'HicproFile'
availableChromosomes(x)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| ... | Extra parameters to pass to format-specific methods. A list of possible arguments is provided in the next section. |
| con, x | Path or connection to a cool, mcool, .hic or HiC-Pro derived files. Can also be a path to a pairs file. |
| format | The format of the output. If missing and 'con' is a filename, the format is derived from the file extension. This argument is unnecessary when files are directly provided as CoolFile, HicFile, HicproFile or PairsFile. |
| text | If 'con' is missing, this can be a character vector directly providing the string data to import. |

Value

A HiCExperiment or GInteractions object

import arguments for ContactFile class

ContactFile class gathers CoolFile, HicFile and HicproFile classes. When importing a ContactFile object in R, two main arguments can be provided besides the ContactFile itself:

- resolution: Resolutions available in the disk-stored contact matrix can be listed using availableResolutions(f).
- focus: A genomic locus (or pair of loci) provided as a string. It can be any of the following string structures:
 - "II" or "II:20001-30000": this will extract a symmetrical square HiCExperiment object, of an entire chromosome or an portion of it.
 - "II|III" or "II:20001-30000|III:40001-90000": this will extract a non-symmetrical HiCExperiment object, with an entire or portion of different chromosomes on each axis.

Examples

```
#####
## ----- Importing .(m)cool contact matrices ----- ##
#####

mcoolPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'mcool')
availableResolutions(mcoolPath)
availableChromosomes(mcoolPath)
import(mcoolPath, resolution = 16000, focus = 'XVI', format = 'cool')

#####
## ----- Importing .hic contact matrices ----- ##
#####

hicPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hic')
availableResolutions(hicPath)
availableChromosomes(hicPath)
import(hicPath, resolution = 16000, focus = 'XVI', format = 'hic')
```

```
#####
## ----- Importing HiC-Pro derived contact matrices ----- ##
#####

hicproMatrixPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hicpro_matrix')
hicproBedPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'hicpro_bed')
availableResolutions(hicproMatrixPath, hicproBedPath)
availableChromosomes(hicproMatrixPath, hicproBedPath)
import(hicproMatrixPath, bed = hicproBedPath, format = 'hicpro')
```

multi2Query

Querying multiple slices of a contact matrix

Description

These functions are the workhorse internal functions used to extract counts from multiple genomic coordinates in a Hi-C contact matrix.

Usage

```
.multi2DQuery(
  file,
  resolution,
  pairs,
  maxDistance = NULL,
  bed = NULL,
  BPPARAM = BiocParallel::bpparam()
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| file | path to a Hi-C contact file (can be any format, (m)cool, .hic, or HiC-Pro-derived) |
| resolution | resolution to use to import matrix over specified targets |
| pairs | slices to read, provided as a Pairs object |
| maxDistance | Maximum distance to use when compiling distance decay |
| bed | associated bed file for HiC-Pro derived contact matrix. |
| BPPARAM | BiocParallel parameters |

Value

a GInteractions object with count, balanced, detrended and expected scores

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| PairsFile-class | PairsFile <i>S4</i> class |
|-----------------|---------------------------|

Description

The PairsFile class describes a BiocFile object, pointing to the location of pairs file, typically generated by `HiCool::HiCool()`.

PairsFile methods

Arguments

x Path to a pairs file

See Also

[CoolFile\(\)](#), [HicFile\(\)](#), [HicproFile\(\)](#)

Examples

```
pairsPath <- HiContactsData::HiContactsData('yeast_wt', 'pairs.gz')
pf <- PairsFile(pairsPath)
pf
pairsFile(pf)
```

| | |
|------------|------------------------------|
| parse-cool | <i>Parsing (m)cool files</i> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Description

These functions are the workhorse internal functions used to import a `.(m)cool` file as `GInteractions` (wrapped into a `HiCExperiment` object by `HiCExperiment()` function).

Usage

```
.getCoolAnchors(file, resolution = NULL, balanced = "cooler")
.getCountsFromPair(file, pair, anchors, resolution = NULL)
.getCounts(file, coords, anchors, resolution = NULL)
.fetchCool(file, path, resolution = NULL, idx = NULL, ...)
.dumpCool(file, resolution = NULL)
.lsCoolFiles(file, verbose = FALSE)
.lsCoolResolutions(file, verbose = FALSE)
.cool2seqinfo(file, resolution = NULL)
.cool2gi(file, coords = NULL, resolution = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| file | path to a Hi-C contact file (in (m)cool format) |
| resolution | resolution of the contact matrix |
| balanced | import balancing scores |
| pair | Genomic coordinates to extract contacts for, stored as a Pairs of GRanges (e.g. S4Vectors::Pairs(GRanges("II:200000-300000"), GRanges("II:70000-100000"))). |
| anchors | anchors from .getCoolAnchors() |
| coords | Genomic coordinates to extract contacts for, stored as a GRanges object |
| path | Internal path of the cool file to check |
| idx | Index to extract from the cool (HDF5) file |
| ... | Other arguments passed to .fetchCool |
| verbose | Print resolutions in the console |

Value

Silently, a numerical vector of resolutions stored in the cool file

| | |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| parse-hic | <i>Parsing hic files</i> |
|-----------|--------------------------|

Description

These functions are the workhorse internal functions used to import a .hic file as GInteractions (wrapped into a HiCExperiment object by HiCExperiment() function).

Usage

```
.hic2gi(file, coords = NULL, resolution = NULL)
.lsHicResolutions(file, verbose = FALSE)
.getHicAnchors(file, resolution = NULL)
.hic2seqinfo(file)
.dumpHic(file, resolution = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| file | path to a Hi-C contact file in .hic format |
| coords | NULL, character, or GRanges. Can also be a Pairs object of paired GRanges (length of 1). |
| resolution | resolution of the contact matrix to use |
| verbose | Print resolutions in the console |

Value

a GInteractions object
vector

| | |
|--------------|--|
| parse-hicpro | <i>Parsing hicpro files (matrix & bed)</i> |
|--------------|--|

Description

These functions are the workhorse internal functions used to import HiC-Pro .matrix and .bed files as GInteractions (wrapped into a HiCExperiment object by HiCExperiment() function).

Usage

```
.hicpro2gi(file, bed)
.getHicproAnchors(bed)
.hicpro2seqinfo(bed)
.dumpHicpro(file, bed)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|---|
| file | path to a matrix file from HiC-Pro |
| bed | path to the regions file generated by HiC-Pro |

Value

a GInteractions object

| | |
|-----------|---|
| reexports | <i>Objects exported from other packages</i> |
|-----------|---|

Description

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

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