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MultiAssayExperiment-package

MultiAssayExperiment: Build an integrative multi-assay container

Description

MultiAssayExperiment allows the manipulation of related multiassay datasets with partially overlapping samples, associated metadata at the level of an entire study, and at the level of the "biological unit". The biological unit may be a patient, plant, yeast strain, etc.

Details

The package hierarchy of information:

- study
- experiments
- samples

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Useful links:

- <https://github.com/waldronlab/MultiAssayExperiment/wiki/MultiAssayExperiment-API>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/waldronlab/MultiAssayExperiment/issues>

API

Refer to the API documentation

Description

API opens a browser to the API documentation

Usage

```
API(website = TRUE, shiny = FALSE)
```

Arguments

website	(logical default TRUE) launch the API website
shiny	(logical default FALSE) whether to launch the shiny version of the API (experimental)

Value

Documentation via the GitHub wiki

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Examples

```
## Runnable example does nothing  
  
API(website = FALSE)
```

assay,RangedRaggedAssay,missing-method

Create a Matrix of score values using a GRanges or own ranges (DE-FUNCT)

Description

This function can take a `GRanges` argument and use each range to check for overlaps with any of the current ranges in the first argument and return a score value from the corresponding metadata. This function will only operate on fully disjoint ranges (see `isDisjoint` for details). It can only work if metadata is present and there is a "score" column in the metadata. Please see example on how to add metadata to a `RangedRaggedAssay` or `GRangesList` class. This function uses the `overlapsAny` function from the `GenomicRanges` package.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay,missing'
assay(x, i, mcolname = "score",
      background = NA, make.names = FALSE, ranges = NULL, type = "any", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>RangedRaggedAssay</code> or <code>GRangesList</code> class
<code>i</code>	Argument set to missing (not used)
<code>mcolname</code>	A single string indicating the metadata column to use for the values in the resulting assay matrix
<code>background</code>	A default background value for the resulting assay matrix (default NA). This works for non-matching sample and range pairs in the data and will be imputed in the matrix (e.g., 2 for diploid genomes)
<code>make.names</code>	logical (default FALSE) whether to create character format ranges for the rows of the matrix (either from the <code>ranges</code> argument or from the <code>RangedRaggedAssay</code> itself). Example character format: "chr1:2-3:+"
<code>ranges</code>	An optional <code>GRanges</code> object for comparing across all sample ranges and for superseding the rows for the resulting matrix (default NULL)
<code>type</code>	The type argument from <code>overlapsAny</code>
<code>...</code>	Unused argument

Value

A matrix of values from the score column of the metadata.

See Also

[overlapsAny](#)

clusterOn	<i>Check expression of a given feature against clinical variable</i>
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Description

Function that outputs a [DataFrame](#) with participant ID, sample ID, the select colData column, the expression values for select rownames, and the center values for each gene by cluster.

Usage

```
clusterOn(MultiAssayExperiment, colDataCols, rownames, experiments,
          seed = NULL)
```

Arguments

MultiAssayExperiment	A MultiAssayExperiment object
colDataCols	Select columns from the MultiAssayExperiment colData DataFrame
rownames	Features to be used for clustering (e.g., a set of gene names)
experiments	A character vector indicating assays of interest in the ExperimentList
seed	A single integer value passed to set.seed (default NULL)

Value

A DataFrame with appended cluster and center values

Examples

```
example(MultiAssayExperiment)
clusterOn(myMultiAssayExperiment, colDataCols = "sex",
          rownames = c("XIST", "RPS4Y1", "KDM5D"),
          experiments = "RNASeqGene", seed = 42L)
```

ExperimentList	<i>Construct an ExperimentList object for the MultiAssayExperiment object slot.</i>
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Description

The ExperimentList class can contain several different types of data. The only requirements for an ExperimentList class are that the objects contained have the following set of methods: dim, [, rownames, colnames

Usage

```
ExperimentList(x)
```

Arguments

x A list class object

Value

A ExperimentList class object of experiment data

Examples

```
## Create an empty ExperimentList instance
ExperimentList()

## Create array matrix and AnnotatedDataFrame to create an ExpressionSet class
arraydat <- matrix(data = seq(101, length.out = 20), ncol = 4,
  dimnames = list(
    c("ENST00000294241", "ENST00000355076",
      "ENST00000383706", "ENST00000234812", "ENST00000383323"),
    c("array1", "array2", "array3", "array4")
  ))

arraypdmat <- as(data.frame(
  slope53 = rnorm(4),
  row.names = c("array1", "array2", "array3", "array4")),
  "AnnotatedDataFrame")

## ExpressionSet constructor
exprdat <- Biobase::ExpressionSet(assayData = arraydat, phenoData = arraypdmat)

## Create a sample methylation dataset
methyldat <- matrix(data = seq(1, length.out = 25), ncol = 5,
  dimnames = list(
    c("ENST00000355076", "ENST00000383706",
      "ENST00000383323", "ENST00000234812", "ENST00000294241"),
    c("methyl1", "methyl2", "methyl3",
      "methyl4", "methyl5")
  ))

## Create a sample RNASeqGene dataset
rnadat <- matrix(
  data = sample(c(46851, 5, 19, 13, 2197, 507,
    84318, 126, 17, 21, 23979, 614), size = 20, replace = TRUE),
  ncol = 4,
  dimnames = list(
    c("XIST", "RPS4Y1", "KDM5D", "ENST00000383323", "ENST00000234812"),
    c("samparray1", "samparray2", "samparray3", "samparray4")
  ))

## Combine to a named list and call the ExperimentList constructor function
ExpList <- list(Affy = exprdat, Methyl450k = methyldat, RNASeqGene = rnadat)

## Use the ExperimentList constructor
myExperimentList <- ExperimentList(ExpList)
```

ExperimentList-class *A container for multi-experiment data*

Description

The ExperimentList class is a container that builds on the SimpleList with additional checks for consistency in experiment names and length. It contains a SimpleList of experiments with sample identifiers. One element present per experiment performed.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
ExperimentList(x)

## S4 method for signature 'missing'
ExperimentList(x)

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

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList'
dimnames(x)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList'
mergeReplicates(x, replicates = list(),
  simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing'
assay(x, i, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList'
assays(x, ..., withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList,missing'
assay(x, i, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList,numeric'
assay(x, i, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList,character'
assay(x, i, ...)
```

Arguments

x	constructor: A list object. For mergeReplicates or assay: an ExperimentList object
object	An ExperimentList object
replicates	mergeReplicates: A list or LogicalList where each element represents a sample and a vector of repeated measurements for the sample
simplify	A function for merging columns where duplicates are indicated by replicates

... Additional arguments. See details for more information.
 i A scalar character or integer index
 withDimnames logical (default TRUE) whether to return dimension names

Details

Convert from `SimpleList` or `list` to the multi-experiment data container. When using the **mergeReplicates** method, additional arguments are passed to the given `simplify` function argument (e.g., `na.rm = TRUE`)

Value

An `ExperimentList` object

Methods (by generic)

- `ExperimentList`: Create an `ExperimentList` object from an "ANY" class object, mainly `list`
- `ExperimentList`: Create an empty `ExperimentList` for signature "missing"
- `show`: Show method for `ExperimentList` class
- `dimnames`: Get the dimension names for an `ExperimentList` using `CharacterList`
- `mergeReplicates`: Apply the `mergeReplicates` method on the `ExperimentList` elements
- `assay`: Get the assay data for the default ANY class
- `assays`: Get the assay data from each element in the `ExperimentList`
- `assay`: Convenience function for the assay of the first element
- `assay`: Obtain the specified assay from `ExperimentList` with a numeric index
- `assay`: Get the specified assay from `ExperimentList` with a character index

Examples

```
ExperimentList()
```

hasAssay	<i>Checking assay method for any class</i>
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Description

The `hasAssay` function is intended for developers who would like to include new classes into a `MultiAssayExperiment` instance. It checks the methods tables of the assay function for the specified class of the argument.

Usage

```
hasAssay(object)
```

Arguments

`object` A `MultiAssayExperiment` or named `list` object instance

Value

A logical value indicating method availability

Examples

```
lst <- structure(list(), .Names=character())
hasAssay(lst)
```

listToMap

Convert map from data.frame or DataFrame to list and vice versa

Description

The mapToList function provides a convenient way of reordering a data.frame to a list. The listToMap function does the opposite by taking a list and converting it to DataFrame.

Usage

```
listToMap(listmap, type = "colnames")

mapToList(dfmap, assayCol = "assay")
```

Arguments

listmap	A named list object containing either experiments (assays), samples (colnames) or features (rownames)
type	Any of the valid types of maps including colnames, rownames, and assays.
dfmap	A data.frame or DataFrame object with identifiers in the first column
assayCol	A character vector of length one indicating the assay names column

Value

A DataFrame class object of names
 A list object of DataFrames for each assay

Functions

- listToMap: Inverse of the listToMap function

Examples

```
example("MultiAssayExperiment")

## Create a sampleMap from a list using the listToMap function
mySampleMap <- listToMap(mylist)

## The inverse operation is also available
mylist <- mapToList(mySampleMap)
```

MatchedAssayExperiment-class

An integrative and matched-samples class for experiment data

Description

This class supports the use of matched samples where an equal number of observations per biological unit are present in all assays.

Usage

```
MatchedAssayExperiment(experiments = ExperimentList(),
  colData = S4Vectors::DataFrame(), sampleMap = S4Vectors::DataFrame(assay =
  factor(), primary = character(), colname = character()), metadata = NULL,
  drops = list())
```

Arguments

experiments	A list or ExperimentList of all combined experiments
colData	A DataFrame or data.frame of characteristics for all biological units
sampleMap	A DataFrame or data.frame of assay names, sample identifiers, and colname samples
metadata	An optional argument of "ANY" class (usually list) for content describing the experiments
drops	A list of unmatched information (included after subsetting)

Value

A MatchedAssayExperiment object

Functions

- MatchedAssayExperiment: Construct a MatchedAssayExperiment class from [MultiAssayExperiment](#) inputs.

See Also

[MultiAssayExperiment](#)

Examples

```
data("miniACC")
acc <- as(miniACC, "MatchedAssayExperiment")
acc
```

miniACC

Adrenocortical Carcinoma (ACC) MultiAssayExperiment

Description

A `MultiAssayExperiment` object providing a reduced version of the TCGA ACC dataset for all 92 patients. RNA-seq, copy number, and somatic mutations are included only for genes whose proteins are included in the reverse-phase protein array. The MicroRNA-seq dataset is also included, with infrequently expressed microRNA removed. Clinical, pathological, and subtype information are provided by `colData(miniACC)`, and some additional details are provided by `metadata(miniACC)`.

Usage

```
miniACC
```

Format

A `MultiAssayExperiment` with 5 experiments, providing:

RNASeq2GeneNorm RNA-seq count data: an `ExpressionSet` with 198 rows and 79 columns

gistic2 Recurrent copy number lesions identified by GISTIC2: a `SummarizedExperiment` with 198 rows and 90 columns

RPPAArray Reverse Phase Protein Array: an `ExpressionSet` with 33 rows and 46 columns. Rows are indexed by genes, but protein annotations are available from `featureData(miniACC[["RPPAArray"]])`. The source of these annotations is noted in `abstract(miniACC[["RPPAArray"]])`

Mutations Somatic mutations: a matrix with 223 rows and 90 columns. 1 for any kind of non-silent mutation, zero for silent (synonymous) or no mutation.

miRNASeqGene microRNA sequencing: an `ExpressionSet` with 471 rows and 80 columns. Rows not having at least 5 counts in at least 5 samples were removed.

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Source

<https://github.com/waldronlab/multiassayexperiment-tcga>

References

Zheng S *et al.*: Comprehensive Pan-Genomic Characterization of Adrenocortical Carcinoma. *Cancer Cell* 2016, 29:723-736.

Examples

```
miniACC
metadata(miniACC)
colnames(colData(miniACC))
table(miniACC$vital_status)
longFormat(miniACC["MAPK3", , ], colDataCols = c("vital_status", "days_to_death"))
wideFormat(miniACC["MAPK3", , ], colDataCols = c("vital_status", "days_to_death"))
```

```

##
## The following is the code used to create this mini dataset from the full ACC dataset.
## The full ACC MultiAssayExperiment was created by the pipeline at
## https://github.com/waldronlab/multiassayexperiment-tcga.
## Not run:
## See www.tinyurl.com/MAEOurls for more pre-built TCGA MultiAssayExperiment objects
download.file("http://s3.amazonaws.com/multiassayexperiments/accMAEO.rds",
              destfile = "accMAEO.rds")
library(MultiAssayExperiment)
library(RaggedExperiment) #needed for RaggedExperiment objects by updateObject()
library(Biobase)

acc <- readRDS("accMAEO.rds")
acc <- updateObject(acc)
protmap <- read.csv(paste0("http://genomeportal.stanford.edu/",
                          "pan-tcga/target_selection_send_data",
                          "?filename=Allprotein.txt"), as.is = TRUE
)

RPPAgenes <- Filter(function(x) x != "", protmap$Genes)
RPPAgenes <- unlist(strsplit(RPPAgenes, ","))
RPPAgenes <- unique(RPPAgenes)

miniACC <-
  acc[RPPAgenes, , c("RNASeq2GeneNorm", "gistic2", "RPPAArray", "Mutations")]
mut <- assay(miniACC[["Mutations"]], i = "Variant_Classification")
mut <- ifelse(is.na(mut) | mut == "Silent", 0, 1)

miniACC[["Mutations"]] <- mut
colData(miniACC) <- colData(miniACC)[, c(1:17, 810:822)]

rpparowData <-
  protmap[match(rownames(miniACC[["RPPAArray"]]), protmap$Genes),]
rpparowData <- AnnotatedDataFrame(rpparowData)
featureData(miniACC[["RPPAArray"]]) <- rpparowData

md <-
  list(
    title = "Comprehensive Pan-Genomic Characterization of Adrenocortical Carcinoma",
    PMID = "27165744",
    sourceURL = "http://s3.amazonaws.com/multiassayexperiments/accMAEO.rds",
    RPPAfeatureDataURL = paste0("http://genomeportal.stanford.edu/",
                               "pan-tcga/show_target_selection_file",
                               "?filename=Allprotein.txt"),
    colDataExtrasURL = "http://www.cell.com/cms/attachment/2062093088/2063584534/mmc3.xlsx"
  )
metadata(miniACC) <- md

mirna <- acc[["miRNASeqGene"]]
mirna <- mirna[rowSums(assay(mirna) >= 5) >= 5, ]
experimentData(mirna)@abstract <-
  "Note: Rows not having at least 5 counts in at least 5 samples were removed."
miniACC <- c(miniACC,
            list(miRNASeqGene = mirna),
            sampleMap = sampleMap(acc)[sampleMap(acc)$assay == "miRNASeqGene",])

```

```

miniACC[["RNASeq2GeneNorm"]] <-
  as(miniACC[["RNASeq2GeneNorm"]], "SummarizedExperiment")
miniACC[["RPPAArray"]] <-
  as(miniACC[["RPPAArray"]], "SummarizedExperiment")
miniACC[["miRNASeqGene"]] <-
  as(miniACC[["miRNASeqGene"]], "SummarizedExperiment")

save(miniACC, file = "data/miniACC.RData", compress = "bzip2")

## End(Not run)

```

MultiAssayExperiment *Construct a MultiAssayExperiment object*

Description

The constructor function for the [MultiAssayExperiment-class](#) combines multiple data elements from the different hierarchies of data (study, experiments, and samples). It can create instances where neither a `sampleMap` or a `colData` set is provided. Please see the `MultiAssayExperiment` API documentation for more information by running the API function.

Usage

```

MultiAssayExperiment(experiments = ExperimentList(),
  colData = S4Vectors::DataFrame(), sampleMap = S4Vectors::DataFrame(assay =
  factor(), primary = character(), colname = character()), metadata = NULL,
  drops = list())

```

Arguments

<code>experiments</code>	A list or ExperimentList of all combined experiments
<code>colData</code>	A DataFrame or <code>data.frame</code> of characteristics for all biological units
<code>sampleMap</code>	A <code>DataFrame</code> or <code>data.frame</code> of assay names, sample identifiers, and <code>colname</code> samples
<code>metadata</code>	An optional argument of "ANY" class (usually list) for content describing the experiments
<code>drops</code>	A list of unmatched information (included after subsetting)

Value

A `MultiAssayExperiment` object that can store experiment and phenotype data

See Also

[MultiAssayExperiment-class](#)

Examples

```
## Run the example ExperimentList
example("ExperimentList")

## Create sample maps for each experiment
exprmap <- data.frame(
  primary = c("Jack", "Jill", "Barbara", "Bob"),
  colname = c("array1", "array2", "array3", "array4"),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE)

methylmap <- data.frame(
  primary = c("Jack", "Jack", "Jill", "Barbara", "Bob"),
  colname = c("methyl1", "methyl2", "methyl3", "methyl4", "methyl5"),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE)

rnamap <- data.frame(
  primary = c("Jack", "Jill", "Bob", "Barbara"),
  colname = c("samparray1", "samparray2", "samparray3",
             "samparray4"),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE)

## Combine as a named list and convert to a DataFrame
mylist <- list(Affy = exprmap, Methyl450k = methylmap, RNASeqGene = rnamap)

## Create a sampleMap
mySampleMap <- listToMap(mylist)
## Create an example phenotype data
colDat <- data.frame(sex = c("M", "F", "M", "F"),
  age = 38:41,
  row.names = c("Jack", "Jill", "Bob", "Barbara"))

## Create a MultiAssayExperiment instance
myMultiAssayExperiment <- MultiAssayExperiment(experiments = ExpList,
  colData = colDat,
  sampleMap = mySampleMap)
```

MultiAssayExperiment-class

An integrative multi-assay class for experiment data

Description

The MultiAssayExperiment class can be used to manage results of diverse assays on a collection of specimen. Currently, the class can handle assays that are organized instances of [SummarizedExperiment](#), [ExpressionSet](#), matrix, [RaggedExperiment](#) (inherits from [GRangesList](#)), and [RangedVcfStack](#). Create new MultiAssayExperiment instances with the homonymous constructor, minimally with the argument [ExperimentList](#), potentially also with the arguments colData (see section below) and [sampleMap](#).

Usage

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

```

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
length(x)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
names(x)

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

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
dimnames(x)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
isEmpty(x)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
complete.cases(...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
c(x, ..., sampleMap = NULL, mapFrom = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
assays(x, ..., withDimnames = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,missing'
assay(x, i, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,numeric'
assay(x, i, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,character'
assay(x, i, ...)

```

Arguments

object	A MultiAssayExperiment object
x	A MultiAssayExperiment object
...	Additional arguments for supporting functions. See details.
verbose	logical (default FALSE) whether to print extra messages
sampleMap	c method: a sampleMap list or DataFrame to guide merge
mapFrom	Either a logical, character, or integer vector indicating the experiment(s) that have an identical colname order as the experiment input(s)
withDimnames	logical (default TRUE) whether to return dimension names included in the object
i	An integer or character scalar indicating the assay to return

Details

The dots (...) argument allows the user to specify additional arguments in several instances. When subsetting ([]) a MultiAssayExperiment, the dots allow for additional arguments to be sent to [findOverlaps](#). When using the mergeReplicates method, the dots are used to specify arguments for the

supplied `simplify` argument and function. When using the `assay` method. When using `c` method to add experiments to a `MultiAssayExperiment`, the dots allow extra data classes compatible with the `MultiAssayExperiment` API. See: [API](#)

Value

A `MultiAssayExperiment` object

Methods (by generic)

- `show`: Show method for a `MultiAssayExperiment`
- `length`: Get the length of `ExperimentList`
- `names`: Get the names of the `ExperimentList`
- `updateObject`: Update old serialized `MultiAssayExperiment` objects to new API
- `dimnames`: Get the dimension names for a `MultiAssayExperiment` object
- `isEmpty`: A logical value indicating an empty `MultiAssayExperiment`
- `complete.cases`: Return a logical vector of biological units with data across all experiments
- `c`: Add an element to the `ExperimentList` data slot
- `assays`: Obtain a [SimpleList](#) of assay data for all available experiments in the object
- `assay`: Convenience function for extracting the assay of the first element in the `ExperimentList`
- `assay`: Obtain the specified assay from the `MultiAssayExperiment` with a numeric index
- `assay`: Get the specified assay from the `MultiAssayExperiment` with a character index

Slots

`ExperimentList` A [ExperimentList](#) class object for each assay dataset
`colData` A `DataFrame` of all clinical/specimen data available across experiments
`sampleMap` A `DataFrame` of translatable identifiers of samples and participants
`metadata` Additional data describing the `MultiAssayExperiment` object
`drops` A metadata list of dropped information

colData

The `colData` slot is a collection of primary specimen data valid across all experiments. This slot is strictly of class `DataFrame` but arguments for the constructor function allow arguments to be of class `data.frame` and subsequently coerced.

ExperimentList

The `ExperimentList` slot is designed to contain results from each experiment/assay. It contains a [SimpleList](#).

sampleMap

The `sampleMap` contains a `DataFrame` of translatable identifiers of samples and participants or biological units. Standard column names of the `sampleMap` are "assay", "primary", and "colname".

See Also

[MultiAssayExperiment-methods](#) for slot modifying methods

Examples

```

example("MultiAssayExperiment")

## Subsetting
# Rows (i) Rows/Features in each experiment
myMultiAssayExperiment[1, , ]
myMultiAssayExperiment[c(TRUE, FALSE), , ]

# Columns (j) Rows in colData
myMultiAssayExperiment[, rownames(colData(myMultiAssayExperiment))[3:2], ]

# Assays (k)
myMultiAssayExperiment[, , "Affy"]

## Complete cases (returns logical vector)
completes <- complete.cases(myMultiAssayExperiment)
compMAE <- myMultiAssayExperiment[, completes, ]
compMAE
colData(compMAE)

example("MultiAssayExperiment")

## Add an experiment
test1 <- myMultiAssayExperiment[[1L]]
colnames(test1) <- rownames(colData(myMultiAssayExperiment))

## Combine current MultiAssayExperiment with additional experiment
## (no sampleMap)
c(myMultiAssayExperiment, newExperiment = test1)

test2 <- myMultiAssayExperiment[[1L]]
c(myMultiAssayExperiment, newExp = test2, mapFrom = 3L)

```

MultiAssayExperiment-helpers*A group of helper functions for manipulating and cleaning a MultiAssayExperiment*

Description

A set of helper functions were created to help clean and manipulate a MultiAssayExperiment object.

- `complete.cases`: Returns a logical vector corresponding to 'colData' rows that have data across all experiments
- `duplicated`: Returns a 'list' of 'LogicalList's that indicate what measurements originate from the same biological unit
- `intersectRows`: Takes all common rows across experiments, excludes experiments with empty rownames
- `intersectColumns`: A wrapper for [complete.cases](#) to return a MultiAssayExperiment with only those biological units that have measurements across all experiments

- `mergeReplicates`: A function that combines duplicated / repeated measurements across all experiments and is guided by the duplicated return value
- `longFormat`: A `MultiAssayExperiment` method that returns a small and skinny `DataFrame`. The `colDataCols` arguments allows the user to append `colData` columns to the data.
- `wideFormat`: A function to return a wide `DataFrame` where each row represents an observation. Optional `colDataCols` can be added when using a `MultiAssayExperiment`.

Usage

```
intersectRows(x)

intersectColumns(x)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
duplicated(x, incomparables = FALSE, ...)

mergeReplicates(x, replicates = list(), simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
mergeReplicates(x, replicates = list(),
  simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
mergeReplicates(x, replicates = list(),
  simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, ...)

longFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
longFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList'
longFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
longFormat(object, colDataCols = NULL, ...)

wideFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
wideFormat(object, colDataCols = NULL,
  key = NULL, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExperimentList'
wideFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
wideFormat(object, ...)
```

Arguments

x A `MultiAssayExperiment`

incomparables	unused argument
...	Additional arguments. See details.
replicates	A list of LogicalLists indicating multiple / duplicate entries for each biological unit, see the duplicated output
simplify	A function for merging repeat measurements in experiments as indicated by replicates for MultiAssayExperiment
object	Any supported class object
colDataCols	selected colData columns to include in the output
key	name of column whose values will used as variables in the wide dataset from spread . If none are specified, assay, rowname, and colname will be combined

Details

The `mergeReplicates` function is a house-keeping method for a `MultiAssayExperiment` where only `complete.cases` are returned, replicate measurements are averaged (by default), and columns are aligned by the row order in `colData`. Additional arguments can be passed on to the `simplify` function.

The `mergeReplicates` "ANY" method consolidates duplicate measurements for rectangular data structures, returns object of the same class (endomorph)

The `longFormat` "ANY" class method, works with classes such as [ExpressionSet](#) and [SummarizedExperiment](#) as well as `matrix` to provide a consistent long and skinny [DataFrame](#).

mergeReplicates

The `mergeReplicates` function makes use of the output from `duplicated` which will point out the duplicate measurements by biological unit in the `MultiAssayExperiment`. This function will return a `MultiAssayExperiment` with merged replicates.

longFormat

The `longFormat` method takes data from the [ExperimentList](#) in a `MultiAssayExperiment` and returns a uniform [DataFrame](#). The resulting `DataFrame` has columns indicating primary, rowname, colname and value. This method can optionally include `colData` columns with the `colDataCols` argument (`MultiAssayExperiment` method only).

wideFormat

The `wideFormat` `MultiAssayExperiment` method returns standardized wide [DataFrame](#) where each row represents an observation or biological unit as represented in `colData`. Optionally, `colData` columns can be added to the data output. The `wideFormat` method for an `ExperimentList` returns a list of `wideFormat` `DataFrames`. The "ANY" method returns a wide format `DataFrame`.

MultiAssayExperiment-methods*Accessing/modifying slot information*

Description

A set of accessor and setter generic functions to extract either the `sampleMap`, the `ExperimentList`, `colData`, or metadata slots of a `MultiAssayExperiment` object

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
sampleMap(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
experiments(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
pData(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
colData(x, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
metadata(x)  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,DataFrame'  
sampleMap(object) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ExperimentList'  
experiments(object) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,DataFrame'  
pData(object) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,DataFrame'  
colData(x) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
metadata(x, ...) <- value  
  
## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
x$name <- value  
  
## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'  
x$name
```

Arguments

x	A <code>MultiAssayExperiment</code> object
object	A <code>MultiAssayExperiment</code> object

...	Argument not in use
value	See details.
name	A column in colData

Value

Accessors: Either a sampleMap, ExperimentList, or DataFrame object

Setters: A MultiAssayExperiment object

Accessors

Eponymous names for accessing MultiAssayExperiment slots with the exception of the [ExperimentList](#) accessor named experiments.

- colData: Access the colData slot
- sampleMap: Access the sampleMap slot
- experiments: Access the [ExperimentList](#) slot
- '[': Access the [ExperimentList](#) slot
- '\$': Access a column in colData
- pData: (deprecated) Access the colData slot

Setters

Setter method values (i.e., 'function(x) <- value'):

- experiments<-: An [ExperimentList](#) object containing experiment data of supported classes
- sampleMap<-: A [DataFrame](#) object relating samples to biological units and assays
- colData<-: A [DataFrame](#) object describing the biological units
- metadata<-: A list object of metadata
- '['<-: Equivalent to the experiments<- setter method for convenience
- '\$<-: A vector to replace the indicated column in colData

Examples

```
## Load example MultiAssayExperiment
example(MultiAssayExperiment)

## Access the sampleMap
sampleMap(myMultiAssayExperiment)

## Replacement method for a MultiAssayExperiment sampleMap
sampleMap(myMultiAssayExperiment) <- S4Vectors::DataFrame()

## Access the ExperimentList
experiments(myMultiAssayExperiment)

## Replace with an empty ExperimentList
experiments(myMultiAssayExperiment) <- ExperimentList()

## Access the metadata
metadata(myMultiAssayExperiment)
```

```
## Replace metadata with a list
metadata(myMultiAssayExperiment) <- list(runDate =
                                         format(Sys.time(), "%B %d, %Y"))

## Access a column in colData
myMultiAssayExperiment$age

## Replace a column in colData
myMultiAssayExperiment$age <- myMultiAssayExperiment$age + 1
```

```
prepMultiAssay          Prepare a MultiAssayExperiment instance
```

Description

The purpose of this helper function is to facilitate the creation of a `MultiAssayExperiment` object by detecting any inconsistencies with all types of names in either the `ExperimentList`, the `colData`, or `sampleMap`.

Usage

```
prepMultiAssay(ExperimentList, colData, sampleMap)
```

Arguments

`ExperimentList` A list of all combined experiments
`colData` A `DataFrame` of the phenotype data for all participants
`sampleMap` A `DataFrame` of sample identifiers, assay samples, and assay names

Value

A list containing all the essential components of a `MultiAssayExperiment` as well as a "drops" metadata element that indicates non-matched names. The names of the resulting list correspond to the arguments of the `MultiAssayExperiment` constructor function.

Checks

The `prepMultiAssay` function checks that all columns in the `sampleMap` are character.

It checks that all names and lengths match in both the `ExperimentList` and in the unique assay names of the `sampleMap`.

If `ExperimentList` names and assay names only differ by case and are not duplicated, the function will standardize all names to lowercase.

If names cannot be matched between the `colname` column of the `sampleMap` and the `colnames` of the `ExperimentList`, those unmatched will be dropped and found in the "drops" element of the resulting list.

Names in the "primary" column of the `sampleMap`, will be matched to those in the `colData`. Unmatched "primary" column rows will be dropped from the `sampleMap`. Suggestions for name fixes in either the `ExperimentList` or `colnames` will be made when necessary.

Examples

```
## Run example
example("MultiAssayExperiment")

## Check if there are any inconsistencies within the different names
preparedMAE <- prepMultiAssay(ExpList, colDat, mySampleMap)

## Results in a list of components for the MultiAssayExperiment constructor
## function
MultiAssayExperiment(preparedMAE$experiments, preparedMAE$colData,
preparedMAE$sampleMap)

## Alternatively, use the do.call function
do.call(MultiAssayExperiment, preparedMAE)
```

RangedRaggedAssay	<i>Create a RangedRaggedAssay (DEFUNCT)</i>
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Description

Construct an object representing ranged-based data, typically from a [GRangesList](#). The assay method will extract a particular column from the metadata and represent it in a matrix. See the show method for an example.

Usage

```
RangedRaggedAssay(x = GRangesList())
```

Arguments

x A list, GRanges or GRangesList object

Value

A RangedRaggedAssay class object

DEFUNCT

The RangedRaggedAssay class is **defunct** and to be removed by the next release cycle. Please use the **RaggedExperiment** class to represent copy number, mutation and other genomic range based data. See [RaggedExperiment](#) for more detail.

See Also

[assay](#), [RangedRaggedAssay](#), [missing-method](#)

RangedRaggedAssay-class

An extension of the GRangesList class (DEFUNCT)

Description

An extension of the GRangesList class (DEFUNCT)

Subsetting a RangedRaggedAssay can be done using either rownames and column names

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay,GRanges,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay'
dim(x)

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay'
dimnames(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay,list'
dimnames(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay'
disjoin(x, mcolname = NULL,
        simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, ...)

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

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay'
longFormat(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'RangedRaggedAssay'
mergeReplicates(x, replicates = list(),
                simplify = BiocGenerics::mean, mcolname = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	A RangedRaggedAssay class
i	Either a character or GRanges class object to subset by rows
j	Either a character, numeric, or logical type for selecting columns (GRangesList method)
...	Additional arguments. See details for more information.
drop	logical (default TRUE) whether to drop empty columns
value	A list object of row and column names

mcolname	A single character string indicating metadata column to use for summaries
simplify	A function for combining duplicate measurements (e.g., mean)
object	A RangedRaggedAssay class object
replicates	mergeReplicates: A list or LogicalList where each element represents a sample and a vector of repeated measurements for that biological unit

Details

The ... argument allows the user to specify arguments in the [subsetByOverlaps](#) function. When calling the mergeReplicates method, the additional arguments correspond to those in either the assay method or the mergeReplicates method. The mergeReplicates arguments include a function for applying over the rows (combine) and a vectorized argument which indicates whether the given function is vectorized or not.

Value

A [RangedRaggedAssay](#) class object

Methods (by generic)

- [`chr`]: Subset a RangedRaggedAssay with either chracter, numeric, or logical
- [`GRanges`]: Subset a RangedRaggedAssay using a GRanges class object
- `dim`: Obtain dimension lengths of a RangedRaggedAssay class object
- `dimnames`: Get dimension names for a RangedRaggedAssay
- `dimnames<-` value: A modified RangedRaggedAssay object
- `disjoin`: Separate non-disjoint ranges and merge with function
- `show`: show method for the RangedRaggedAssay class
- `longFormat`: [RangedRaggedAssay](#) class method to return a DataFrame of selected “mcolname” column, defaults to score
- `mergeReplicates`: (deprecated) Use metadata column to produce a matrix which can then be merged across replicates.

See Also

[findOverlaps-methods](#)
[assay,RangedRaggedAssay,missing-method](#)

subsetBy

Subsetting a MultiAssayExperiment object

Description

A set of functions for extracting and dividing a MultiAssayExperiment

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, k, ..., drop = TRUE]

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ANY,ANY'
x[[i, j, ...]]

## S4 replacement method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ANY,ANY'
x[[i, j, ...]] <- value

subsetByColData(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ANY'
subsetByColData(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,character'
subsetByColData(x, y)

subsetByColumn(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,list'
subsetByColumn(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,List'
subsetByColumn(x, y)

subsetByRow(x, y, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,ANY'
subsetByRow(x, y, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,logical'
subsetByRow(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,list'
subsetByRow(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment,List'
subsetByRow(x, y)

subsetByAssay(x, y)

## S4 method for signature 'MultiAssayExperiment'
subsetByAssay(x, y)

```

Arguments

x	A MultiAssayExperiment
i	Either a character, integer, logical or GRanges object for subsetting by rows
j	Either a character, logical, or numeric vector for subsetting by colData rows. See details for more information.

<code>k</code>	Either a character, logical, or numeric vector for subsetting by assays
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed on to lower level functions.
<code>drop</code>	logical (default TRUE) whether to drop empty assay elements in the <code>ExperimentList</code>
<code>value</code>	An assay compatible with the <code>MultiAssayExperiment</code> API
<code>y</code>	Any argument used for subsetting, can be a character, logical, integer, list or List vector

Details

Subsetting a `MultiAssayExperiment` by the `j` index can yield a call to either `subsetByColData` or `subsetByColumn`. For vector inputs, the subset will be applied to the `colData` rows. For List-type inputs, the List will be applied to each of the elements in the `ExperimentList`. The order of the subsetting elements in the List must match that of the `ExperimentList` in the `MultiAssayExperiment`.

- `subsetByColData`: Select biological units by vector input types
- `subsetByColumn`: Select observations by assay or for each assay
- `subsetByRow`: Select rows by assay or for each assay
- `subsetByAssay`: Select experiments

Examples

```
## Load a MultiAssayExperiment example
example("MultiAssayExperiment")

## Using experiment names
subsetByAssay(myMultiAssayExperiment, "Affy")

## Using numeric indicators
subsetByAssay(myMultiAssayExperiment, 1:2)

## Using a logical vector
subsetByAssay(myMultiAssayExperiment, c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE))

## Subset by character vector (Jack)
subsetByColData(myMultiAssayExperiment, "Jack")

## Subset by numeric index of colData rows (Jack and Bob)
subsetByColData(myMultiAssayExperiment, c(1, 3))

## Subset by logical indicator of colData rows (Jack and Jill)
subsetByColData(myMultiAssayExperiment, c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE))

subsetByColumn(myMultiAssayExperiment, list(Affy = 1:2,
      Methyl450k = c(3,5,2), RNASeqGene = 2:4, CNVgistic = 1))

subsetWith <- S4Vectors::mendoapply(`[,`, colnames(myMultiAssayExperiment),
      MoreArgs = list(1:2))
subsetByColumn(myMultiAssayExperiment, subsetWith)

## Use a GRanges object to subset rows where ranged data present
egr <- GenomicRanges::GRanges(seqnames = "chr1",
      IRanges::IRanges(start = 1, end = 3), strand = "-")
subsetByRow(myMultiAssayExperiment, egr)
```

```
## Use a logical vector (recycling used)
subsetByRow(myMultiAssayExperiment, c(TRUE, FALSE))

## Use a character vector
subsetByRow(myMultiAssayExperiment, "ENST00000355076")
```

upsetSamples	<i>Create a generalized Venn Diagram analog for sample membership in multiple assays, using the upset algorithm in UpSetR</i>
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Description

Create a generalized Venn Diagram analog for sample membership in multiple assays, using the upset algorithm in UpSetR

Usage

```
upsetSamples(MultiAssayExperiment, nsets = length(MultiAssayExperiment),
             nintersects = 24, order.by = "freq", ...)
```

Arguments

MultiAssayExperiment	instance of MultiAssayExperiment-class
nsets	integer number of sets to analyze
nintersects	Number of intersections to plot. If set to NA, all intersections will be plotted.
order.by	How the intersections in the matrix should be ordered by. Options include frequency (entered as "freq"), degree, or both in any order.
...	parameters passed to upset

Value

Produces a visualization of set intersections using the UpSet matrix design

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Examples

```
data(miniACC)
upsetSamples(miniACC)
```

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