Package 'BindingSiteFinder'

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annotateWithScore *Annotation function for BSFDataSet object*

Description

This function can be used to annotate a `BSFDataSet` object with merged binding sites with scores from the initial ranges (eg. PureCLIP scores).

Usage

```
annotateWithScore(object, scoreRanges)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
scoreRanges	a GRanges object, with numeric column named 'score'

Value

an object of class BSFDataSet with updated meta columns of the ranges

Examples

```
if (.Platform$OS.type != "windows") {
    # load data
    csFile <- system.file("extdata", "PureCLIP_crosslink_sites_examples.bed",
                          package="BindingSiteFinder")
    cs = rtracklayer::import(con = csFile, format = "BED",
    extraCols=c("additionalScores" = "character"))
    cs$additionalScores = NULL
    clipFiles <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
    # two experimental conditions
    meta = data.frame(
    id = c(1,2,3,4),
    condition = factor(c("WT", "WT", "KD", "KD"),
    levels = c("KD", "WT")),
    clPlus = list.files(clipFiles, pattern = "plus.bw$", full.names = TRUE),
    clMinus = list.files(clipFiles, pattern = "minus.bw$",
     full.names = TRUE))
    bds = BSFDataSetFromBigWig(ranges = cs, meta = meta, silent = TRUE)

    # merge binding sites
    bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
    minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)

    # annotate with original pureCLIP score
    bdsRe = annotateWithScore(bds, cs)
}
```

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bindingSiteCoveragePlot

Plot signal coverage of selected ranges

Description

Function plots the coverage of the CLIP data in the signal slot and plots it as coverage. The plot is centered around a given binding site, which can be selected by an index.

Usage

```
bindingSiteCoveragePlot(
  object,
  plotIdx,
  flankPos,
  shiftPos = NULL,
  mergeReplicates = FALSE,
  autoscale = FALSE,
```

```
    highlight = TRUE,
    showCentralRange = TRUE,
    customRange = NULL,
    customRange.name = "custom",
    customAnnotation = NULL,
    customAnnotation.name = "anno",
    title = NULL,
    colorPalette = NULL
)
```

Arguments

`object`	a [BSFDataSet](#) object
`plotIdx`	integer, index of the range to plot
`flankPos`	numeric, number of nucleotides by which the plotting frame is symmetrically extended
`shiftPos`	numeric, nucleotide positions by which the current plotting range should be shifted
`mergeReplicates`	
	logical, if replicates should be merge per condition (TRUE) or if every replicates should be shown separately (FALSE)
`autoscale`	logical, if y-axis should be scaled to the maximum for all replicates (TRUE), or not (FALSE)
`highlight`	logical, if the central range should be highlighted (TRUE), or not (FALSE)
`showCentralRange`	
	logical, if the central range should be shown (TRUE), or not (FALSE)
`customRange`	GenomicRanges, a custom range object to be shown underneath the coverage tracks
`customRange.name`	
	character, the name of the customRange track
`customAnnotation`	
	GenomicRanges or TxDb, a custom annotation for eg. gene, exons, etc. to be shown underneath the coverage tracks
`customAnnotation.name`	
	character, the name of the customAnnotation track
`title`	character, set plotting title
`colorPalette`	vector, hex colors used for the conditions

Value

an object of class `GVIZ`

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

bindingSiteCoveragePlot(bds, plotIdx = 3, flankPos = 10)
```

BSFDataSet   *BSFDataSet object and constructors*

Description

BSFDataSet contains the class `GenomicRanges`, which is used to store input ranges. Alongside with the iCLIP signal in `list` structure and additional meta data as `data.frame`.

Usage

```
BSFDataSet(ranges, meta, signal, dropSeqlevels = TRUE, silent = FALSE)

BSFDataSet(ranges, meta, signal, dropSeqlevels = TRUE, silent = FALSE)

BSFDataSetFromBigWig(ranges, meta, silent = FALSE, dropSeqlevels = TRUE)
```

Arguments

ranges	a `GenomicRanges` with the desired ranges to process. The strand slot must be either + or -.
meta	a `data.frame` with at least two columns. The first column should be a unique numeric id. The second column holds sample type information, such as the condition.
signal	a `list` with the two entries 'signalPlus' and 'signalMinus', following a special representation of `SimpleRleList` for counts per replicates (see details for more information).
dropSeqlevels	enforce seqnames to be the same in ranges and signal, by dropping unused seqlevels which is required for most downstream functions such as `coverageOverRanges`
silent	suppress messages but not warnings (TRUE/ FALSE)

Details

The ranges are enforced to have to have a "+" or "-" strand annotation,"*" is not allowed. They are expected to be of the same width and a warning is thrown otherwise.

The meta information is stored as `data.frame` with at least two required columns, 'id' and 'condition'. They are used to build the unique identifier for each replicate split by '_' (eg. id = 1 and condition = WT will result in 1_WT).

The meta data needs to have the additional columns 'clPlus' and 'clMinus' to be present if `BSFDataSetFromBigWig` is called. It is used to provide the location to the iCLIP coverage files to the import function. On object initialization these files are loaded and internally represented in the signal slot of the object (see [BSFDataSet](#)).

The iCLIP signal is stored in a special list structure. At the lowest level crosslink counts per nucleotide are stored as `Rle` per chromosome summarized as a `SimpleRleList`. Such a list exits for each replicate and must be named by the replicate identifier (eg. 1_WT). Therefore this list contains always exactly the same number of entries as the number of replicates in the dataset. Since we handle strands initially seperated from each other this list must be given twice, once for each strand. The strand specific entries must be named 'signalPlus' and 'signalMinus'.

The option `dropSeqlevels` forces the seqnames of the ranges and the signal to be the same. If for a specific chromosome in the ranges no respective entry in the signal list can be found, then entries with that chromosome are dropped This behavior is needed to keep the [BSFDataSet](#) object in sync, which is required for downstream functions such as `coverageOverRanges`

Value

A BSFDataSet object.

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))
rng = getRanges(bds)
sgn = getSignal(bds)
mta = getMeta(bds)
bdsNew = BSFDataSet(ranges = rng, signal = sgn, meta = mta)
```

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collapseReplicates *Collapse signal from replicates*

Description

Collapses all replicates merges all samples from a [BSFDataSet](#) object into a single signal stream, only split by minus and plus strand.

Usage

```
collapseReplicates(object, collapseAll = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`object`	a `BSFDataSet` object
`collapseAll`	TRUE/FALSE, if all samples should be collapsed (TRUE), or if samples should be kept separate by condition (FALSE)

Value

object of type [BSFDataSet](#) with updated signal

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

bdsNew = collapseReplicates(bds)
```

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coverageOverRanges   *Coverage function for BSFDataSet objects*

Description

The crosslink coverage is computed for all ranges in the the given BSFDataSet object (see [BSFDataSet](#) for details). Depending on the returnOptions the resulting coverage information is summarized, suitable for diverse computation and plotting tasks. The coverage can only be compute for objects with identical ranges.

Usage

```
coverageOverRanges(
  object,
  returnOptions = c("merge_ranges_keep_positions", "merge_replicates_per_condition",
    "merge_all_replicates", "merge_positions_keep_replicates"),
  method = "sum",
  allowNA = FALSE,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
returnOptions	one of merge_ranges_keep_positions, merge_replicates_per_condition, merge_all_replicates, merge_positions_keep_replicates
method	sum/ mean, select how replicates/ ranges should be summarized
allowNA	TRUE/ FALSE, allow NA values in the output if input ranges are of different width
silent	TRUE/ FALSE, suppress warning messages

Details

If `returnOptions` is set to merge_ranges_keep_positions: Returns a matrix with ncol being the nucleotides of the ranges (equal to the width of the input ranges) and nrow being the number of replicates in the meta information.

If `returnOptions` is set to merge_replicates_per_condition: Returns a list of matrices. Each list corresponds to one condition set in the meta information. The matrix in each entry has ncols equal to the ranges width and nrow equal to the number of ranges. Counts per ranges and position are summed.

If `returnOptions` is set to merge_all_replicates: Returns a matrix with ncols equal to the range width and nrow equal to the number of ranges. Counts per range and position are summed.

If `returnOptions` is set to merge_positions_keep_replicates: Returns a GRanges object where the counts are summed for each replicate and added to the original granges object.

Value

an object of class specified in `returnOptions`

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

rng = coverageOverRanges(
bds, returnOptions = "merge_ranges_keep_positions", silent = TRUE)
rng = coverageOverRanges(
bds, returnOptions = "merge_replicates_per_condition", silent = TRUE)
rng = coverageOverRanges(
bds, returnOptions = "merge_all_replicates", silent = TRUE)
rng = coverageOverRanges(
bds, returnOptions = "merge_positions_keep_replicates", silent = TRUE)
```

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getMeta   *Accessor method for the meta data of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

Meta data is stored as a `data.frame` and must contain the columns "condition", "clPlus" and "clMinus".

Usage

```
getMeta(object)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
getMeta(object)
```

Arguments

object   a BSFDataSet object

Value

returns the meta data `data.frame` with the columns "condition", "clPlus" and "clMinus".

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

getMeta(bds)
```

---

getRanges   *Accessor method for the ranges of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

The ranges slot holds the genomic ranges information of the sites currently in the object. They are encoded as a GRanges object with each binding site having a single ranges entry.

Usage

```
getRanges(object)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
getRanges(object)
```

Arguments

object   a BSFDataSet object

Value

returns the genomic ranges (GRanges) of the associated ranges

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

getRanges(bds)
```

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getSignal   *Accessor method for the signal data of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

Signal data is loaded from the path specified in [getMeta](#) columns "clPlus" and "clMinus" and stored as a list of RLE lists.

Usage

```
getSignal(object)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
getSignal(object)
```

Arguments

object   a BSFDataSet object

Value

returns the signal data, as list of RLE list for each strand, named after the meta data columns "clPlus" and "clMinus"

See Also

[getMeta](#) [BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

getSignal(bds)
```

---

getSummary   *Accessor method for the summary slot of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

The summary slot is used to track information of the filtering steps applied in the makeBindingSites function

Usage

```
getSummary(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
getSummary(object)
```

Arguments

object   a BSFDataSet object

...   additional arguments

Value

returns the summary information storted in the summary slot after makeBindingSites was run

See Also

BSFDataSet makeBindingSites

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)

getSummary(bds)
```

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makeBindingSites   *Define equally sized binding sites from peak calling results and iCLIP*
                                 crosslink events.

Description

This function performs the merging of single nucleotide crosslink sites into binding sites of a user
defined width (bsSize). Depending on the desired output width crosslink sites with a distance closer
than bsSize -1 are concatenated. Initially all input regions are concatenated and then imperatively
merged and extended. Concatenated regions smaller than minWidth are removed prior to the merge
and extension routine. This prevents outlier crosslink pileup, eg. mapping artifacts to be integrated
into the final binding sites. All remaining regions are further processed and regions larger than
the desired output width are interactively split up by setting always the position with the highest
number of crosslinks as center. Regions smaller than the desired width are symmetrically extended.
Resulting binding sites are then filtered by the defined constraints.

Usage

```
makeBindingSites(
  object,
  bsSize,
  minWidth = 3,
  minCrosslinks = 2,
  minClSites = 1,
  centerIsClSite = TRUE,
  centerIsSummit = TRUE,
  sub.chr = NA
)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object (see [BSFDataSet](#))
bsSize	an odd integer value specifying the size of the output binding sites
minWidth	the minimum size of regions that are subjected to the iterative merging routine, after the initial region concatenation.
minCrosslinks	the minimal number of positions to overlap with at least one crosslink event in the final binding sites
minClSites	the minimal number of crosslink sites that have to overlap a final binding site
centerIsClSite	logical, whether the center of a final binding site must be covered by an initial crosslink site
centerIsSummit	logical, whether the center of a final binding site must exhibit the highest number of crosslink events
sub.chr	chromosome identifier (eg, chr1, chr2) used for subsetting the BSFDataSet object. This option can be used for testing different parameter options

Details

The bsSize argument defines the final output width of the merged binding sites. It has to be an odd number, to ensure that a binding site has a distinct center.

The minWidth parameter is used to describe the minimum width a ranges has to be after the initial concatenation step. For example: Consider bsSize = 9 and minWidth = 3. Then all initial crosslink sites that are closer to each other than 8 nucleotides (bsSize -1) will be concatenated. Any of these ranges with less than 3 nucleotides of width will be removed, which reflects about 1/3 of the desired binding site width.

The argument minCrosslinks defines how many positions of the binding sites are covered with at least one crosslink event. This threshold has to be defined in conjunction with the binding site width. A default value of 3 with a binding site width of 9 means that 1/3 of all positions in the final binding site must be covered by a crosslink event. Setting this filter to 0 deactivates it.

The minClSites argument defines how many positions of the binding site must have been covered by the original crosslink site input. If the input was based on the single nucleotide crosslink positions computed by PureCLIP than this filter checks for the number of positions originally identified by PureCLIP in the computed binding sites. The default of minClSites = 1 essentially deactivates this filter. Setting this filter to 0 deactivates it.

The options centerIsClSite and centerIsSummit ensure that the center of each binding site is covered by an initial crosslink site and represents the summit of crosslink events in the binding site, respectively.

The option sub.chr allows to run the binding site merging on a smaller subset (eg. "chr1") for improoved computational speed when testing the effect of various binding site width and filtering options.

Value

an object of type BSFDataSet with modified ranges

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

# standard options, no subsetting
bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)

# standard options, with subsetting
bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1, sub.chr = "chr22")
```

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mergeSummaryPlot	*Plot summarized results of the different binding site merging and filtering steps*

Description

Bar charts produced for the different filter steps in the binding site merging routine. Depending on the selected option (select) all or only a user defined filter can be shown.

Usage

```
mergeSummaryPlot(
  object,
  select = c("all", "filter", "inputRanges", "minClSites", "mergeCrosslinkSites",
    "minCrosslinks", "centerIsClSite", "centerIsSummit"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataObject, with the makeBindingSites function already run
select	one of "all", "filter", "inputRanges", "minCLSites", "mergeCrosslinkSites", "minCrosslinks", "centerIsClSite" or "centerIsSummit". Defines which parameter is selected for plotting.
...	further arguments passed to ggplot

Details

If object is a single BSFDataObject a single coverage plot will be drawn, whereas if it is a list of BSFDataObjects, then faceting is used to make a plot for each list element.

Value

a plot of type ggplot after the [makeBindingSites](#) function was run

See Also

[makeBindingSites](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

# plotting a single object
bds0 <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)
```

```
mergeSummaryPlot(bds0)

# plotting mulitple obejcts
bds1 <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1, sub.chr = "chr22")
bds2 <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 3, sub.chr = "chr22")
l = list(`1. bsSize = 3` = bds1, `2. bsSize = 9` = bds2)
rangeCoveragePlot(l, width = 20)
```

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rangeCoveragePlot   *Plot crosslink events coverage over range*

Description

A diagnostic plot function that allows to check the coverage of crosslink events over different
merged regions. The coverage is shown as mean over all replicates and conditions, with a stan-
dard deviation corridor.

Usage

```
rangeCoveragePlot(object, width, name = "Coverage Plot", ...)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet, or a list of BSFDataSet
width	a numeric value that defines the plotting ranges
name	plot title
...	further arguments passed to ggplot

Details

If object is a single BSFDataObject a single coverage plot will be drawn, whereas if it is a list of
BSFDataObjects, then faceting is used to make a plot for each list element.

Value

a plot of type ggplot2 displaying the crosslink coverage over the ranges of the given BSFDataSet

See Also

BSFDataSet

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

# plotting a single object
bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)
rangeCoveragePlot(bds, width = 20)

# plotting multiple objects
bds1 <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 3, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1, sub.chr = "chr22")
bds2 <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1, sub.chr = "chr22")
l = list(`1. bsSize = 3` = bds1, `2. bsSize = 9` = bds2)
rangeCoveragePlot(l, width = 20)
```

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reproducibilityFilter   *Replicate reproducibility filter function*

Description

For each replicate the number of binding sites with a certain number of crosslinks is calculated.
A quantile based threshold (cutoff) is applied to each replicate. This indicates how many of
the merged binding sites are supported by crosslinks from the respective replicate. Next, one can
specify how many replicates need to pass the defined threshold for a binding site to be considered
reproducible.

Usage

```
reproducibilityFilter(
  object,
  cutoff,
  n.reps,
  min.crosslinks = 1,
  returnType = c("BSFDataSet", "data.frame")
)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
cutoff	a vector of length = 1, or of length = levels(getMeta(object)$conditions) with a single number (between 0-1) indicating the quantile cutoff
n.reps	a vector of length = 1, or of length = l evels(getMeta(object)$conditions) indicating how many replicates need to meet their threshold for a binding site to be called reproducible.

min.crosslinks	numeric of length = 1, defines the lower boundary for the minimum number of crosslinks a binding site has to be supported by all replicates, regardless of the replicate specific quantile threshold
returnType	one of "BSFDataSet" or "data.frame". "BSFDataSet" is the default and "matrix" can be used for easy plotting.

Details

If `cutoff` is a single number then the indicated cutoff will be applied to all replicates. If it is a vector then each element in the vector is applied to all replicates of the respective condition. The order is hereby given by the levels of the condition column of the meta data (see [BSFDataSet](#),[getMeta](#)). If the condition specific filter is applied, a meta column is added to the GRanges of the BSFDataSet object, indicating the support for each condition.

If `n.reps` is a single number then this number is used as treshold for all binding sites. If it is a vector then it is applied to the replicates of the respective condition (like in `cutoff`). This allows the application of different thresholds for experiments of different experimental conditions. If the condition specific filter is applied, a meta column is added to the GRanges of the BSFDataSet object, indicating the support for each condition.

Value

an object of type BSFDataSet

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

# merge binding sites
bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)

# use default return with condition specific threshold
s = reproducibilityFilter(bds, cutoff = c(0.1, 0.05), n.reps = c(1, 2))

# use data.frame return type for plotting
s = reproducibilityFilter(bds, cutoff = c(0.1, 0.05), n.reps = c(1, 2),
returnType = "data.frame")
library(ComplexHeatmap)
m = make_comb_mat(s)
UpSet(m)
```

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reproducibiliyCutoffPlot

Plot to that shows how many replicates support each binding site

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Description

Plotting function for settings specified in `reproducibilityFilter`.

Usage

```
reproducibiliyCutoffPlot(
  object,
  cutoff = 0.05,
  min.crosslinks = 1,
  max.range = 20,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
cutoff	a vector of length = 1, or of length = levels(meta$conditions) with a single number (between 0-1) indicating the quantile cutoff
min.crosslinks	numeric of length = 1, defines the lower boundary for the minimum number of crosslinks a binding site has to be supported by all replicates, regardless of the replicate specific quantile threshold
max.range	maximum number of crosslinks per sites that should be shown
...	further arguments passed to ggplot

Value

a plot of type `ggplot2` showing the per replicate reproducibility cutoffs based on a given quantile threshold

See Also

`reproducibilityFilter`

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

# merge binding sites
bds <- makeBindingSites(object = bds, bsSize = 9, minWidth = 2,
minCrosslinks = 2, minClSites = 1)
```

```
# use the same cutoff for both conditions
reproducibiliyCutoffPlot(bds, max.range = 20, cutoff = c(0.05, 0.05))

# use different cutoffs for each condition
reproducibiliyCutoffPlot(bds, max.range = 20, cutoff = c(0.1, 0.05))
```

---

setMeta   *Setter method for the meta data of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

Meta data is stored as a `data.frame` and must contain the columns "condition", "clPlus" and "clMinus".

Usage

```
setMeta(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
setMeta(object, newMeta)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
...	additional arguments
newMeta	the replacement meta data table

Value

an object of type BSFDataSet with updated meta data

See Also

BSFDataSet

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

nMeta = getMeta(bds)
setMeta(bds, nMeta)
```

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setRanges   *Setter method for the ranges of the BSFDataSet object The GRanges*
                             object that holds the genomic ranges information can be replaced.

Description

Setter method for the ranges of the BSFDataSet object The GRanges object that holds the genomic
ranges information can be replaced.

Usage

```
setRanges(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
setRanges(object, newRanges, dropSeqlevels = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
...	additional arguments
newRanges	an object of type GRanges
dropSeqlevels	enforce seqnames to be the same in ranges and signal, by dropping unused se- qlevels which is required for most downstream functions such as coverageOverRanges

Value

object of type [BSFDataSet](#) with updated ranges

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

rng = getRanges(bds)
rng = rng + 10
bdsNew = setRanges(bds, rng)
```

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setSignal   *Setter method for the signal data of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

Signal data is loaded from the path specified in [getMeta](#) columns "clPlus" and "clMinus" and stored as a list of RLE lists.

Usage

```
setSignal(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
setSignal(object, newSignal, dropSeqlevels = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
...	additional arguments
newSignal	list of RLE lists
dropSeqlevels	enforce seqnames to be the same in ranges and signal, by dropping unused seqlevels which is required for most downstream functions such as coverageOverRanges

Value

an object of type [BSFDataSet](#) with updated signal

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

sgn = getSignal(bds)
sgn = lapply(sgn, function(selStrand){
   lapply(selStrand, function(chrList){
       chrList[names(chrList) == "chr22"]
   })
})
bdsNew = setSignal(bds, sgn)
```

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setSummary   *Setter method for the summary slot of the BSFDataSet object*

Description

The summary slot is used to track information of the filtering steps applied in the [makeBindingSites](#) function

Usage

```
setSummary(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'BSFDataSet'
setSummary(object, summary)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
...	additional arguments
summary	a data.frame with the summary information to be stored in BSFDataSet

Value

an object of type [BSFDataSet](#) with updated summary info

See Also

[BSFDataSet](#)

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

df = data.frame(processingStep = c(1,2),
parameter = c(3,4))
bds = setSummary(bds, df)
```

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show *Show method to for the BSFDataSet*

Description

Prints the information for each of the slots in the BSFDataSet object. Ranges of the getRanges slot are shown, as well as the number of crosslinks per strand getSignal and the levels of the experimental conditions (getMeta).

Usage

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

Arguments

object   a BSFDataSet object

Value

shows the current object state

See Also

BSFDataSet

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

show(bds)
```

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subset-BSFDataSet *Subset a BSFDataSet object*

Description

You can subset BSFDataSet by identifier or by position using the `[` operator. Empty seqlevels are being droppend after the subset.

Usage

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

Arguments

x	A [BSFDataSet](#) object.
i	Position of the identifier or the name of the identifier itself.
j	Not used.
...	Additional arguments not used here.
drop	if the signal not covered by the subsetted ranges should be dropped or not

Value

A [BSFDataSet](#) object.

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

bdsNew = bds[1:10]
```

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supportRatio   *Support ratio function for BSFDataSet objects*

Description

Functions that computes a ratio to determine how well a given binding site with is supported by the crosslink coverage of the data. For a given BSFDataSet object binding sites are computed for each width indicated in the bsWidths vector (using the [coverageOverRanges](#) function). These coverages are compared to the coverage of regions flanking the binding sites. If not indicated in bsFlank these regions are of the same width as the binding sites.

Usage

```
supportRatio(object, bsWidths, bsFlank = NA, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
bsWidths	a numeric vector indicating the different binding site width to compute the ratio for
bsFlank	optional; a numeric vector of the same length as bsWidth used to specify the width of the flanking regions
...	further arguments passed to makeBindingSites

Details

Testing the width of 3nt for example, would result in a coverage within all 3nt wide binding sites (c1) and a coverage computed on the adjacent 3nt flanking the binding sites up- and downstream (f1, f2). Based on these numbers the ratio is computed by: c1/(1/2(f1+f2)).

The median over all ratios is reported as representative value.

Value

an object of class `data.frame`

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

supportRatio(bds, bsWidths = c(3,7))
```

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supportRatioPlot   *Plot that shows the binding site support ratio*

Description

Function that shows a ratio to determine how well a given binding site with is supported by the crosslink coverage of the data. Ratios are computed using the [supportRatio](#) function.

Usage

```
supportRatioPlot(object, bsWidths, bsFlank = NA, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a BSFDataSet object
bsWidths	a numeric vector indicating the different binding site width to compute the ratio for
bsFlank	optional; a numeric vector of the same length as `bsWidth` used to specify the width of the flanking regions
...	further arguments passed to `makeBindingSites`

Details

The higher the ratio, the more does the given binding site width captures the enrichment of crosslinks compared the the local surrounding. A ratio equal to 1 would mean no enrichemnt at all.

Value

an object of class `ggplot2`

Examples

```
# load data
files <- system.file("extdata", package="BindingSiteFinder")
load(list.files(files, pattern = ".rda$", full.names = TRUE))

supportRatioPlot(bds, bsWidths = c(3,7),
minWidth = 1, minClSites = 1, minCrosslinks = 2)
```

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