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GenomicCoordinates-package

GenomicCoordinates: Enhanced string parsing for genomic coordinates

Description

The GenomicCoordinates package extends the string parsing capabilities for genomic coordinates in Bioconductor. It supports various string formats including comma-separated numbers, space-delimited coordinates, and automatically detects whether to return GRanges, GPos, or GInteractions objects.

Supported formats

- Standard format: "chr1:1000-2000", "chr1:1000-2000:+"
- Comma-separated: "chr1:1,000-2,000", "chr1:1,000,000-2,000,000"
- Space-delimited: "chr1 1000 2000"
- Single positions: "chr1:1000" (returns GPos)
- Interactions: "chr1:1000-2000|chr2:3000-4000" (returns GInteractions)

Main functions

- GenomicCoordinates(x): Main function - auto-detect and convert to appropriate type
- detect_genomic_class(x): Detect appropriate class without parsing
- as_granges(x): Convert character to GRanges
- as_gpos(x): Convert character to GPos
- as_iranges(x): Convert character to IRanges
- as_ginteractions(x): Convert character to GInteractions

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See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/js2264/GenomicCoordinates>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/js2264/GenomicCoordinates/issues>

.clean_numeric_string *Parse genomic coordinate strings with enhanced format support*

Description

Internal utility functions to parse various genomic coordinate string formats including comma-separated numbers, space-delimited coordinates, and different separators.

Usage

```
.clean_numeric_string(x)
```

Arguments

x A character string representing genomic coordinates

Value

Parsed components as a list

.handle_special_formats
 Handle special genomic string formats

Description

Handle special genomic string formats

Usage

```
.handle_special_formats(x)
```

Arguments

x Character string

Value

Parsed genomic information

<code>.is_single_position</code>	<i>Additional helper functions for corner cases</i>
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Description

Handle various edge cases and special formats in genomic coordinate parsing Detect if a string represents a single genomic position

Usage

```
.is_single_position(x)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Character string
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Value

Logical indicating if it's a single position

<code>as_gpos</code>	<i>Convert to GPos object</i>
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Description

Converts character strings representing single genomic positions to GPos objects.

Usage

```
as_gpos(.data, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>.data</code>	A character vector of genomic position strings
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (unused)

Value

A GPos object

Examples

```
as_gpos("chr1:1000")
as_gpos("chr1:1,000:+")
as_gpos(c("chr1:1000", "chr2:2000", "chr3:3000"))
```

coercion

*Conversion methods for genomic coordinates***Description**

Methods to convert character strings to GRanges, GPos, and GInteractions objects with support for various string formats including comma-separated numbers and space-delimited coordinates.

Extensions to IRanges parsing to handle comma-separated numbers and space-delimited coordinates.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'character'
as_granges(.data, ..., keep_mcols = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'character'
as_gpos(.data, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'character'
as_ginteractions(
  .data,
  ...,
  keep.extra.columns = TRUE,
  starts.in.df.are.0based = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'character'
as_iranges(.data, ..., keep_mcols = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>.data</code>	A character vector of coordinate strings
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (unused)
<code>keep_mcols</code>	Ignored for character input (included for generic compatibility with plyranges)
<code>keep.extra.columns</code>	Ignored for character input (included for generic compatibility with plyinteractions)
<code>starts.in.df.are.0based</code>	Ignored for character input (included for generic compatibility with plyinteractions)

Value

The appropriate Bioconductor object type

An IRanges object

Examples

```
# GRanges conversion
as_granges("chr1:1000-2000")
as_granges("chr1:1,000-2,000:+")
as_granges(c("chr1:1000-2000", "chr2:3000-4000"))

# GPos conversion
as_gpos("chr1:1000")
as_gpos(c("chr1:1000", "chr2:2000"))

# GInteractions conversion
as_ginteractions("chr1:1-10|chr2:20-30")

as_iranges("1000-2000")
as_iranges("1,000-2,000")
as_iranges(c("100-200", "300-400"))
```

detect_genomic_class	<i>Detect the appropriate class for genomic strings</i>
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Description

Utility function to determine what class a genomic string should be parsed as, without actually performing the parsing.

Usage

```
detect_genomic_class(x)
```

Arguments

x	Character string or vector
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Value

Character vector of predicted classes

Examples

```
detect_genomic_class("chr1:1000-2000")
detect_genomic_class("chr1:1000")
detect_genomic_class(c("chr1:1-10|chr2:20-30", "1000-2000"))
```

GenomicCoordinates	<i>GenomicCoordinates: Main parsing function</i>
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Description

Automatically parse genomic coordinate strings into the most appropriate Bioconductor object type (GRanges, GPos, GInteractions, or IRanges). Parse strings into appropriate genomic objects

Usage

```
GenomicCoordinates(x, force_class = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	Character string or vector of genomic coordinates
force_class	Optional class to force ("GRanges", "GPos", "GInteractions", "IRanges")

Details

This is the main function of the GenomicCoordinates package. It automatically detects the most appropriate object type based on the input string format and returns the corresponding Bioconductor object.

Value

GRanges, GPos, GInteractions, or IRanges object

Examples

```
# Auto-detection examples
GenomicCoordinates("chr1:1000-2000")      # Returns GRanges
GenomicCoordinates("chr1:1000")           # Returns GPos
GenomicCoordinates("chr1:1-10|chr2:4-40")  # Returns GInteractions
GenomicCoordinates("1000-2000")           # Returns IRanges

# Force specific class
GenomicCoordinates("chr1:1000", force_class = "GRanges")

# Enhanced format support
GenomicCoordinates("chr1:100,000-200,000") # Comma-separated
GenomicCoordinates("chr1 1000 2000")       # Space-delimited
```

reexports*Re-exported functions from plyranges and plyinteractions*

Description

These generics are re-exported from plyranges and plyinteractions to provide conversion functions for character strings.

Usage

```
as_granges(.data, ..., keep_mcols = TRUE)

as_iranges(.data, ..., keep_mcols = TRUE)

as_ginteractions(
  .data,
  ...,
  keep.extra.columns = TRUE,
  starts.in.df.are.0based = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>.data</code>	Object to convert
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to methods
<code>keep_mcols</code>	Logical; whether to keep metadata columns (plyranges)
<code>keep.extra.columns</code>	Logical; whether to keep extra columns (plyinteractions)
<code>starts.in.df.are.0based</code>	Logical; whether starts are 0-based (plyinteractions)

Value

A Bioconductor object

Examples

```
as_granges("chr1:1000-2000")
as_iranges("1000-2000")
as_ginteractions("chr1:1-10|chr2:20-30")
```


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