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Description A set of classes and functions to investigate and understand protein sequence data in the context of a proteomics experiment.

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`calculateHeavyLabels` *Calculate heavy labeled peptides*

Description

A function to calculate heavy labeled peptides for proteins stored in a `Proteins` object.

Usage

```
calculateHeavyLabels(proteins, peptides, maxN = 20L, nN = 4L, nC = 3L,
  endsWith = c("K", "R", "G"), ...)
```

Arguments

`proteins`	A `Proteins` object.
`peptides`	A named `character` vector containing the peptides of interest. The names must match the UniProt accession numbers of the proteins in `object`.
`maxN`	An `integer`, maximal length of the heavy labeled peptide.
`nN`	An `integer`, minimal number of amino acids at the N terminus.
`nC`	An `integer`, minimal number of amino acids at the C terminus.
`endsWith`	A `character` vector containing the allowed amino acids at the end of the resulting sequence (every peptide that doesn't end with one of these amino acids has to be one amino acid shorter as `maxN`).
`...`	Additional parameters passed to `.addOverhangs`.

Details

The digestion efficiency with enzymes like trypsin is below 100%. That's why spiked-in peptides for labeled quantitation have to follow the same digestion rules as the peptides of interest. Therefore it is necessary to extend the peptides of interest by a few amino acids on the N- and C-terminus. These extensions should not be a cleavage point of the used enzym. This methods provides an easy interface to find the sequences for heavy labeled peptides that could be used as spike-ins for the peptides of interest. Please see the references for a more detailed discussion.

TODO: There should be a function to find the best labels for a given protein automatically.

Value

A `data.frame` with 6 columns:

- ProteinThe Protein accession number.
- PeptideThe peptide of interest.
- N_overhangThe added sequence of the N-terminus.
- C_overhangThe added sequence of the C-terminus.
- spikeTideResultA short description of the used creation rule.
- spikeTideThe heavy labeled peptide that represents the peptide of interest best.

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References

The complete description of the issue: https://github.com/sgibb/cleaver/issues/5

Kito, Keiji, et al. A synthetic protein approach toward accurate mass spectrometric quantification of component stoichiometry of multiprotein complexes. Journal of proteome research 6.2 (2007): 792-800. http://dx.doi.org/10.1021/pr060447s

Examples

```
## example protein database
data(p, package = "Pbase")

## digest proteins into peptides
cleavedProteins <- cleave(p)

## find spike-ins for the peptides of interest
calculateHeavyLabels(cleavedProteins,
                     peptides = c(A4UGR9 = "MEGFHIK",
                                  A4UGR9 = "QGNMYTLSK",
                                  A6H8Y1 = "GSTASNPQR"))
```

`etrid2grl` *From a transcript identifier to* `GRanges` *object*

Description

This function takes on or more Ensembl transcript identifiers, queries Biomart and constructs a `GRangesList` object as would `Gviz::BiomartGeneRegionTrack` for a genomic region (in fact, currently most of the code has been taken from `Gviz::.fetchBMData` and `GViz::.chrName` is used to validate chromosome names).

Usage

```
etrid2grl(etrid, ens, use.names = FALSE)
```

Arguments

etrid	A vector of Ensembl transcript identifiers.
ens	A instance of class Mart from biomaRt. If missing, useMart("ensembl", "hsapiens_gene_ensemb is used.
use.names	If set to TRUE and etrid has names, then the latter are used to name the output.

Value

A GRangesList object of length length(etrid).

Author(s)

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Examples

```
id <- c("ENST00000612959", "ENST00000317091")
grl1 <- etrid2grl(id[1])
grl1
grl <- etrid2grl(id)
stopifnot(all.equal(id, names(grl)))
```

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isReverse *Are all the ranges on the same strand*

Description

Checks if all ranges of a GRanges object are reverse.

Usage

```
isReverse(gr)

isForward(gr)
```

Arguments

gr	A GRanges object.

Value

A logical if *all* the ranges in the gr object are on the "-" (or "+" for codeisForward) strand.

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mapToGenome-methods *Map range coordinates between proteins and genome space*

Description

Map range coordinates between peptide features along proteins and genome (reference) space.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Proteins,GRangesList'
mapToGenome(x, genome, pcol, drop.empty.ranges = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'Proteins,GRangesList'
pmapToGenome(x, genome, pcol, drop.empty.ranges = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'Proteins,EnsDb'
mapToGenome(x, genome, pcol, id = "name", idType =
"protein_id", drop.empty.ranges = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	Proteins object containing peptides pranges to be mapped.
genome	A GRangesList object used to map between x and the result. The ranges are typically created by the etrid2grl function. Alternatively, an EnsDb object providing the required annotation for the mapping, i.e. the annotation of proteins to transcripts and the genomic coordinates of the transcripts' exons.
pcol	character(1) specifying the name of the column in pcols that contains the IRanges (ranges within the protein sequence) that should be mapped to the genome. If not specifyed the first column is used. If provided has to be one of pvarLabels.
drop.empty.ranges	TRUE (default) or FALSE. Should empty ranges be dropped?
id	character(1) indicating which metadata columns in x provide the (protein) IDs for the mapping of proteins to transcripts. Can be the name of any columns in acols(x) or "name" in which seqnames(x) will be used.
idType	character(1) specifying the type of the IDs found in id. Supported are "protein_id" (the Ensembl protein ID), "tx_id" (Ensembl transcript ID) or "uniprot_id" (Uniprot ID).
...	Additional parameters passed to inner functions. Currently ignored.

Details

- mapToGenome maps the pranges(x) to the ranges of genome. Unless x and genome are of length 1, both must be named and items of x are matched to items of genome using their respective names. Names that do not co-occur in x and genome are ignored. If we have
  seqnames(x): "A", "B" and "C"
  and
  names(genome): "C", "A", "a", "z", "A" and "A".
  the names of the output will be
  "A", "A", "A" and "C".
  The output is ordered by (1) seqnames(x) and (2) the order of the elements in genome.
  In case less than length(x) are mapped, as for p["B"] above, a message informs the user.

- mapToGenome,Proteins,EnsDb maps each of the pranges(x) ranges within the protein sequence to the corresponding genomic coordinates using annotations provided by the EnsDb object. To enable the mapping the Proteins object has to provide IDs that can be used to identify the encoding transcript. Such IDs can be the Ensembl protein ID, the Uniprot ID or the Ensembl transcript ID. If a protein is annotated to multiple transcripts, the function selects the transcript which CDS length best matches the protein sequence length.

  The mapToGenome,Proteins,EnsDb method maps pranges of all proteins in the Proteins object to the genome. See examples below for more details.
- pmapToGenome is the element-wise (aka 'parallel') version of mapToGenome. The i-th pranges(x) is mapped to the i-th range in genome. x and genome must have the same length and do not need to be named (names are ignored).

Value

A named GRangesList object, with names matching names(genome). For pmapToGenome, the return value will have the same length as the inputs.

Author(s)

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See Also

- See ?mapToAlignments in the **GenomicAlignments** package for mapping coordinates between reads (local) and genome (reference) space using a CIGAR alignment.
- See ?mapToTranscripts in the **GenomicRanges** package for mapping coordinates between features in the transcriptome and genome space.
- The proteinCoding function to remove non-protein coding ranges before mapping peptides to their genomic coordinates.
- The mapping vignette for examples and visualisations.

See plotAsAnnotationTrack and plotAsAnnotationTrack for more details about the two plotting functions.

Examples

```
data(p)

grl <- etrid2grl(acols(p)$ENST)
pcgrl <- proteinCoding(grl)

plotAsGeneRegionTrack(grl[[1]],
                      pcgrl[[1]])

mp <- mapToGenome(p[4], pcgrl[4])

plotAsAnnotationTrack(mp[[1]], pcgrl[[4]])

pmapToGenome(p, pcgrl)

#######
## mapToGenome,Proteins,EnsDb
## load an EnsDb object providing the required annotations
```

```
library(EnsDb.Hsapiens.v86)
edb <- EnsDb.Hsapiens.v86

## Map the pranges of all proteins in p to the genome providing the proteins'
## Uniprot IDs (being the 'names' of the Proteins object) for the mapping.
mp <- mapToGenome(p, edb, id = "name", idType = "uniprot_id")
```

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p *Data accompanying the* Pbase *package*

Description

A small example `Proteins` test instance. This object is likely to change on a regular basis. It will be described more thoroughly when it becomes stable. The MSMS spectra that were searched against the database are available in the `pms` `MSnExp` object.

Usage

```
data(p)
data(pms)
```

See Also

The `Pbase-data` vignette.

Examples

```
data(p)
p
data(pms)
pms
```

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plotAsAnnotationTrack *Plot gene region and annotation tracks*

Description

These functions convert ranges of peptides or exons to `AnnotationTrack` or `GeneRegionTrack` objects from the `Gviz` package and produces the corresponding plot. The `genome` argument controls whether additional ideogram and axis tracks are to be plotted. `plotAsAnnotationTrack` plots peptides that span multiple exons in red and connects them with a grey line. See `pmapToGenome` for example code.

Usage

```
plotAsAnnotationTrack(x, ..., genome = "hg38", plot = TRUE)

plotAsGeneRegionTrack(..., genome = "hg38", plot = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	A Granges object containing peptides genomics coordinates, typically generated by pmapToGenome. These ranges are converted to a AnnotationTrack.
...	One or more GRanges instances, typically resulting from calling etrid2grl, or, a single GRangesList. These ranges are converted to GeneRegionTrack instances.
genome	A character of length 1, giving the name of the genome. Default is "hg38". If NULL, no chromosome and axis tracks are displayed.
plot	A logical defining if the figure should be plotted. Default is TRUE.

Value

Used for its plotting side effects. Invisible returns a list of tracks.

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Pparams-class *Class* "Pparams"

Description

Pbase parametrisation infrastructure.

Objects from the Class

New Pbase parameters can be generated with the Pparams() constructor. Pparams instances control various aspects of Pbase functions, as described in the *Slots* section below. If no parameters are passed to the respective functions, default values from Pparams() are used.

Slots

DbFormat: The format of the protein sequence fasta database used to generate the Proteins object. Currently only "UniProt" is supported. "RefSeq" will be added as well as a mechanism to support arbitrary and custom fasta header.

IdFormat: The format of the identification data files used to add pfeatures to Protein instances. Currently, mzIdentML is supported.

IdReader: Package to be used to load the identification data. Currently one of mzR (via the openIDfile and psms functions) or mzID (via the mzID and flatten functions). Differences between these two architectures include the metadata available in the Proteins' pfeatures, speed and stability (mzR is much faster but less mature and currently susceptible to crashes).

verbose: A logical defining if the various functions display messages (default) or remain silent.

Methods

show signature(object = "Pparams"): ...

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Examples

```
Pparams()
Pparams(IdReader = "mzID")

try(Pparams(IdReader = "mzid"))
```

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proteinCoding-methods *Only keep protein coding ranges*

Description

Removed all the ranges that are not protein coding. Typically used on the output of `etrid2grl` before `mapToGenome`.

Methods

`signature(object="GRanges", mcol="character", coding="character")` Removes all the ranges that are not annotated as protein coding ranges, i.e. ranges whose `mcols()$mcol` is different from `coding`. The default values are `mcols()feature` and `"protein_coding"`. The method return the `GRanges` trimmed from all non-matching ranges.

`signature(object="GRangesList", mcol="character", coding="character")` As above but for `GRanges` in a `GrangesList`.

Proteins-class *The* `Proteins` *Class for Proteomics Data And Meta-Data*

Description

The `Proteins` class encapsulates data and meta-data for proteomics experiments. The class stores the protein sequences as well as specific subsets of interest, typically peptides, as ranges. The `Proteins` instances, the sequence and peptide slots are described by their respective metadata attributes.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created using its constructor `Proteins`. The constructor either takes a `fasta` file name as first argument, an `EnsDb` object or a named `uniprotIds` argument with valid UniProt accession numbers (not yet implemented).

The `Proteins` constructor with the `EnsDb` loads protein data directly from the `EnsDb` object. The additional arguments `filter`, `loadProteinDomains`, `columns` and `fetchLRG` allow to additionally specify if only proteins matching a certain criteria should be fetched, whether all protein domains should be added as `pranges`, optional additional annotation columns that should be retrieved and whether proteins from Locus Reference Genes (LRG) should also be retrieved from the database.

Details

An instance of class Proteins is characterised by one or multiple protein sequences that can be accessed as AAStringSet with the aa accessor. Sequence-specific annotation, such as accession numbers, protein and gene names, ... is available with the acols method. General metadata such as the data of creation of the instance are stored as a list returned by the metadata accessor, which would typically contain a created character that documents when the object was created, a reference genome descriptor, a UniProtRelease with the release data of the UniProt database and possibly others.

Each sequence of a Proteins instance can also be characterised by a set of specific ranges describing peptides of interest. These *peptide features* can be extracted as an AAStringSetList, where each protein sequence contains 0 or more peptide features. These peptides features are encode as ranges along the original proteins sequences (a list of IRanges) that can be extracted with the pranges function. These peptide features have their own metadata describing for example peptide identification scores, number of missed cleavages, ... available with the pcols methods.

See also the Pbase-data vignette.

The Proteins constructor with argument file being an EnsDb object allows to retrieve protein sequences along with all their related protein domains from an EnsDb annotation database. The optional filter argument can be used to fetch only proteins matching the defined filtering criteria from the database. The filter argument takes an object extending the AnnotationFilter class, an AnnotationFilterList combining such objects or a filter expression in form of a formula. See the AnnotationFilter and proteins documentation for more details.

Additional annotation columns from the database that should be retrieved from the database and included into acols can be specified with the columns argument. The listColumns can be used to list all available annotation columns from the database. Ensembl protein IDs will be used as the names of the returned Proteins object. See the vignette from the ensembldb package for an overview of supported filters or below for some examples.

Developement notes

Since version 0.2.0, addIdentificationData supports multiple identification file names to be added to a Proteins instance (argument renamed filenames) using either mzID or mzR. Added new Pparams parametrisation infrastructure.

See news(package = "Pbase") for a description of all changes.

Other possible metadata fields: Uniprot.sw, biomaRt instances.

Slots

metadata: Object of class "list" containing global metadata, accessed with metadata.

aa: Object of class "AAStringSet" storing the protein sequences, accessed with aa.

.__classVersion__: Object of class "Versions" documenting the class verions. Intended for developer use and debugging.

Extends

Class "Versioned", directly.

Methods

aa signature(x = "Proteins"): Returns an AAStringSet instance representing the sequences of the proteins.

pfeatures `signature(x = "Proteins")`: ...

pranges `signature(x = "Proteins")`: ...

metadata `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns a `list` of global metadata of the instance `x`, including data of instance creation or, if created from a set of UnitProt identifiers (see constructors above), the UniProt version and `UnitProt.WS` version number.

acols `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns a `DataFrame` of protein metadata.

pcols `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns a `list` of feature metadata.

avarLabels `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns the names of the sequences metadata.

pvarLabels `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns the names of the peptide feature metadata.

seqnames `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns the protein sequence names defined as UniProt accession numbers.

names `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns the protein sequence names defined as UniProt accession numbers. It is just a synonym for `seqnames`.

length `signature(x = "Proteins")`: Returns the number of proteins.

[`signature(x = "Proteins", i = "ANY", j = "missing")`: Creates a subset of the `Proteins` instance.

[[`signature(x = "Proteins", i = "ANY", j = "missing")`: Returns an `AAString` instance representing the sequence of the selected protein.

pfilter `signature(x = "Proteins", mass = "numeric", len = "numeric", ...)`: ...

cleave `signature(x = "Proteins", enzym = "character", missedCleavages = "numeric")`: Cleaves all proteins using the `enzym` rule while allowing `missedCleavages` missing cleavages. Please see `cleave` for details.

addIdentificationData `signature(object = "Proteins",id = "character", rmEmptyRanges = "logical", par "Pparams")`: Adds identification data from an IdentMzMl file (`id`) to the Proteins `object`. If `rmEmptyRanges` is `TRUE` proteins without any identification data are removed. See `Pparams` for further settings.

addPeptideFragments `signature(object = "Proteins",filenames = "character", rmEmptyRanges = "logica "Pparams")`: Adds identification data from a fasta file (`filenames`) to the Proteins `object`. Please note that both fasta files (the origin of the Proteins `object` and the ones given in `filenames`) must share the same Uniprot accession numbers. If `rmEmptyRanges` is `TRUE` proteins without any identification data are removed. See `Pparams` for further settings.

plot `signature(x = "Proteins", y = "missing")`: Plots all proteins and associated peptides using the `Gviz`/`Pviz` infrastructure.

show `signature(object = "Proteins")`: Displays object summary as text.

Functions

rmEmptyRanges `signature(x = "Proteins")`: removes proteins with empty peptide ranges.

proteotypic `signature(x = "Proteins")`: returns a modified Proteins object. `pcols(x)` gains a "Proteotypic" logical column, indicating of the peptide is proteotypic or now.

proteinCoverage `signature(pattern = "Proteins")`: calulates the coverage of proteins. `pcols(x)` gains a "Coverage" numeric column.

isCleaver `signature(x = "Proteins", missedCleavages = "numeric")`: Tests whether a Protein object was cleaved already.

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References

Definition of the UniProt fasta comment format: http://www.uniprot.org/help/fasta-headers

See Also

calculateHeavyLabels

Examples

```
## Create a Protein object reading all proteins from a fasta file.
fastaFiles <- list.files(system.file("extdata", package = "Pbase"),
                         pattern = "fasta", full.names = TRUE)
p <- Proteins(fastaFiles)
p
metadata(p)

## Adding custom metadata
metadata(p, "Comment") <- "I love R"
metadata(p)

## Plotting
plot(p[1:5], from = 1, to = 30)

## Cleaving
pp <- cleave(p[1:100])
pp <- proteotypic(pp)
pp
pcols(pp[1:2])

plot(pp[1:2], from = 20, to = 30)

## Protein coverage
pp <- proteinCoverage(pp)
avarLabels(pp)
acols(pp)$Coverage
pp


## Add indentification data
idfile <- system.file("extdata/Thermo_Hela_PRTC_selected.mzid",
                      package = "Pbase")
p <- addIdentificationData(p, idfile)
pranges(p)
pfeatures(p)

plot(p[1])
plot(p[1], # the first protein has 36 peptides
     fill = c(rep("orange", 13), rep("steelblue", 13)))

## Retrieve a Proteins object from an EnsDb object: first load the annotation
```

```
## database for all human genes defined in Ensembl version 86.
library(ensembldb)
library(EnsDb.Hsapiens.v86)
edb <- EnsDb.Hsapiens.v86

## Define a filter to retrieve all genes from chromosome Y
sqnf <- SeqNameFilter("Y")
## Retrieve the proteins without protein domains but specify to retrieve in
## addition the transcript biotype for the encoding transcripts and the gene
## names
prts <- Proteins(edb, filter = sqnf, loadProteinDomains = FALSE,
                 columns = c("tx_biotype", "gene_name"))
aa(prts)
acols(prts)

## The listColumns method lists all available columns from the database.
listColumns(edb)

## Load all proteins from the gene ZBTB16 including all protein domains from
## the database. Here we pass the filter criteria as a formula to the method
prts <- Proteins(edb, filter = ~ genename == "ZBTB16")

## List available pranges
pcols(prts)

## Access the protein domains
pcols(prts)$ProteinDomains
```

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