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Description

Implements persistent row and column annotations for R matrices. The annotations associated with rows and columns are preserved after subsetting, transposition, and various other matrix-specific operations. Intended use case is for storing and manipulating genomic datasets which typically consist of a matrix of measurements (like gene expression values) as well as annotations about rows (i.e. genomic locations) and annotations about columns (i.e. meta-data about collected samples). But ‘annmatrix’ objects are also expected to be useful in various other contexts.

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annmatrix	<i>annmatrix Objects and Basic Functionality</i>
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Description

Annotated matrix is a regular matrix with additional functionality for attaching persistent information about row and column entries. Annotations associated with rows and columns are preserved after subsetting, transposition, and various other matrix-specific operations.

Intended 'annmatrix' use case is for storing and manipulating genomic datasets that typically consist of a matrix of measurements (like gene expression values) as well as annotations about rows (i.e. genomic locations) and annotations about columns (i.e. meta-data about collected samples). But annmatrix objects are also expected be useful in various other contexts.

Usage

```
annmatrix(x, rann, cann)

rowanns(x, names)
rowanns(x, names) <- value

colanns(x, names)
colanns(x, names) <- value

## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
@(object, name)
## S3 replacement method for class 'annmatrix'
@(object, name) <- value

## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
x$name
## S3 replacement method for class 'annmatrix'
x$name <- value
```

Arguments

x, object	an R object.
rann	annotation data.frame for rows of the annmatrix object.

cann	annotation data.frame for columns of the anmatrix object.
names	a character vector of existing row/column annotation names.
value	a value that will be assigned to row/column annotation field.
name	a name of an existing row/column annotation.

Details

anmatrix() constructs an anmatrix. The function expects x to be a matrix and rowanns and colanns to be of class data.frame. If the passed objects are of a different classes they will be converted via the use of as.matrix and as.data.frame.

rowanns and colanns returns the selected field from column and row annotations respectively. When the selected field is not specified the whole annotation data.frame is returned.

@ and \$ are convenience shortcuts for selecting annotations. X@value selects an existing column from row annotations while X\$value selects a column from column annotations. An empty selection of X@'' and X\$'' will return the whole annotation data.frame for rows and columns respectively.

rowanns<- and colanns<- functions can be used to replace the column and row annotations respectively. When the selected field is not specified the whole annotation data.frame is replaced.

@<- and \$<- are convenience shortcuts for the above (see Examples). A replacement of an empty value - X@'' <- df and X\$'' <- df will replace the whole annotation data.frame.

Value

anmatrix returns an R object of class 'anmatrix'.

Author(s)

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See Also

as.anmatrix

Examples

```
# construct anmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- anmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

is.matrix(x)
is.matrix(X)
```

```

is.anmatrix(x)
is.anmatrix(X)

# manipulating annotations without using shortcuts
rowanns(X)
colanns(X)

rowanns(X, "chr")
rowanns(X, "gene") <- letters[1:20]
rowanns(X, c("chr", "gene"))
rowanns(X, "gene") <- NULL
rowanns(X)

colanns(X, "group")
colanns(X, "age") <- 1:10*10
colanns(X, "age")
colanns(X, "age") <- NULL
colanns(X, "age")

# more convenient
X@'
X@chr
X@gene <- letters[1:20]
X@gene
X@gene <- NULL
X@gene

X$'
X$group
X$age <- 1:10*10
X$age
X$age <- NULL
X$age
X$' <- data.frame(id = 1:10, name = LETTERS[1:10])
X$name

# annotations are preserved after subsetting
Y <- X[X@chr == "chr1", X$name %in% c("A", "B", "C")]
Y@chr
Y$'

Y[, 1]
Y[, 1, drop = FALSE]

```

autocomplete

Auto Complete Functions for anmatrix Class

Description

Function used to select autocomplete options for dollar '\$' and at '@' operators.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
.DollarNames(x, pattern = "")  
  
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
.AtNames(x, pattern = "")
```

Arguments

x annmatrix object.
pattern a regular expression used to select possible auto-completion names.

Value

A set of possible auto-completion names for row (@) or column (\$) annotation fields.

Author(s)

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bind

Bind several annmatrix Objects Together

Description

Implementation of rbind and cbind methods for annmatrix objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
rbind(...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
cbind(...)
```

Arguments

... /generalized/ vector or matrix objects

Details

All the inputs are bound together in exact same way as if all the annmatrix objects were regular matrices. Then, the row and column annotations of the supplied annmatrix objects are merged together. Missing annotations are filled in using 'NA' values.

For demonstration purposes only rbind will be described with cbind behaving accordingly.

1) Matrix. The obtained matrix will be exactly the same as calling rbind with all annmatrix objects replaced by regular matrices.

2) Column annotations. When `rbind` is called the matrices are all assumed to have the same set of columns. Hence, the column annotations are assumed to be shared between all provided `annmatrix` objects. Thus, in order to retain all possible column annotations, they are merged together. This way any column annotation field present in at least one of the provided `annmatrix` objects will be present in the final result. In case of conflicts, when the same annotation field is present in multiple `annmatrix` objects but contains different values, the first occurring instance is selected and an appropriate warning is displayed. Non-`annmatrix` objects are assumed to share the column annotations present in supplied `annmatrix` objects.

3) Row annotations. When `rbind` is called the matrices are assumed to have a separate unique set of rows. Hence no conflicts between annotation values are possible for row annotations. In order to retain all possible row annotations, row annotations are merged together. Thus, the resulting row annotation data frame will have as many fields as there were unique row annotation fields among all the provided `annmatrix` objects. Unlike with column annotations, if a particular `annmatrix` only had a subset of the final collection of annotation fields, then the missing fields are added and the annotation is filled with NA values. All the rows associated with non-`annmatrix` objects will have missing (NA) values for all the annotation fields.

Value

a single `annmatrix` object resulting from binding all the inputs together

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

X1 <- X[1:10,]
X2 <- X[11:20,]
all.equal(X, rbind(X1, X2))

X1 <- X[,1:5]
X2 <- X[,6:10]
all.equal(X, cbind(X1, X2))

X11 <- X[1:10, 1:5]
X21 <- X[11:20, 1:5]
X12 <- X[1:10, 6:10]
X22 <- X[11:20, 6:10]
all.equal(X, cbind(rbind(X11, X21), rbind(X12, X22)))
```

convert	<i>Convert annmatrix Objects to and from Other Types</i>
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Description

Methods for turning R objects to class `annmatrix` and vice versa.

Usage

```
as.annmatrix(x)

## Default S3 method:
as.annmatrix(x)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
as.annmatrix(x)

## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
as.matrix(x, ...)

is.annmatrix(x)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an R object.
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to be passed to or from methods.

Details

`as.annmatrix` will attempt to convert an object to `annmatrix`.
`as.matrix` will turn an `annmatrix` object into a regular matrix.
`is.annmatrix` checks if the object is an instance of `annmatrix`.

Value

`is.annmatrix` returns `TRUE` if object is of class `'annmatrix'` and `FALSE` otherwise. `as.annmatrix` methods return an object of class `'annmatrix'`. `as.matrix` returns a regular matrix.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)
X <- as.annmatrix(x)

X$group <- rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5)
X$gender <- sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE)
X@chr <- sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE)
X@pos <- runif(20, 0, 1000000)

is.matrix(x)
is.matrix(X)

is.annmatrix(x)
is.annmatrix(X)

as.matrix(X)
```

groupgenerics

Group Generic Functions for annmatrix Class

Description

The functions listed here work under the hood and are almost never called by the user.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
Ops(e1, e2)

## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
chooseOpsMethod(x, y, mx, my, cl, reverse)
```

Arguments

e1, e2	annmatrix objects.
x, y	The objects being dispatched on by the group generic.
mx, my	The methods found for objects 'x' and 'y'.
cl	The call to the group generic.
reverse	A logical value indicating whether 'x' and 'y' are reversed from the way they were supplied to the generic.

Value

An object of class 'annmatrix'.

Author(s)

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matrixgenerics*Matrix Generic Functions for annmatrix Class*

Description

Matrix cross-product operator implemented for annmatrix class

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
x %**% y
```

Arguments

x, y numeric or complex matrices or vectors.

Details

The resulting matrix will be the same as a product between two regular matrices. If present annmatrix row annotations will be carried over from the first matrix x while the annotations for rows will be carried over from the second matrix y.

Value

an object of class 'annmatrix'.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object  
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)  
  
coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),  
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))  
  
rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),  
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))  
  
X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)  
  
res <- 1:20 %**% X  
res$group
```

```

res <- X %*% 1:10
res@chr

res <- t(X) %*% X
res@group
res$group

```

pca

Principal Component Analysis for annmatrix Objects

Description

Performs principal component analysis on annmatrix objects and preserves row and column annotations in scores and loadings.

Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
prcomp(
  x,
  retx = TRUE,
  center = TRUE,
  scale. = FALSE,
  tol = NULL,
  rank. = NULL,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

x	annmatrix object.
retx	logical indicator whether the rotated variables should be returned (defaults to TRUE).
center	logical value indicating whether variables should be centered (defaults to TRUE).
scale.	logical value indicating whether variables should be scaled (defaults to FALSE).
tol	tolerance value indicating magnitude below which components will be omitted.
rank.	number specifying the maximal rank (max number of principal components to be used).
...	arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

The resulting loadings ('rotation') and scores ('x') are turned into annmatrix objects with additional row and column annotations. Row annotations are copied from the original input matrix while column annotations contain computed information about each principal component. The added information contains: 1) principal component number, 2) standard deviation, 3) variance, 4) fraction of variance explained.

Value

prcom object with rotation and x matrices turned into annmatrix

Author(s)

Karolis Koncevičius

Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

pca <- prcomp(t(X))
pca$rotation
pca$rotation$'

scores <- t(pca$rotation) %*% X
scores@var_explained
scores$gender
```

print

Print annmatrix Object

Description

Functions that print an annmatrix object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
print(x, nrow = 5, ncol = 5, digits = getOption("digits"), ...)
```

Arguments

x	a matrix.
nrow	number of rows to display (default is 5).
ncol	number of columns to display (default is 5).
digits	number of digits to display (default set to getOptions("digits")).
...	further arguments passed to or from methods.

Details

anmatrix objects are printed in a shortened form (5 rows and 5 columns by default). In addition the function displays information about available meta-data for rows and columns.

Value

invisibly returns anmatrix object.

Author(s)

Karolis Koncevičius

Examples

```
# construct anmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- anmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

print(X)
print(X, 10, 5)
print(X, 2, 2)

# also works with a list-based matrix
x <- matrix(list(mtcars, iris3, USAccDeaths, rivers), ncol=2)
print(x)
X <- anmatrix(x)
print(X)
```

scale

Scaling and Centering of anmatrix Objects

Description

Centers and scales the columns of an anmatrix object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'anmatrix'
scale(x, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	anmatrix object.
center	either a logical value or a numeric vector of length equal to the number of columns of 'x' (default is TRUE).
scale	either a logical value or a numeric vector of length equal to the number of columns of 'x' (default is TRUE).

Details

Behaves exactly as `scale` on a regular matrix with the preservation of 'anmatrix' class being the only difference.

Value

The centered and/or scaled anmatrix object with additional attributes "scaled:center" and "scaled:scale" holding the numbers used for centering and scaling of each column.

Author(s)

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See Also

`scale.default`

Examples

```
# construct anmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- anmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

scale(X)
scale(X, center = colMeans(X))
```

`stack`*Stack an annmatrix object*

Description

Turns annmatrix into a data frame by transforming the matrix along with row and column annotations into separate data frame columns.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'  
stack(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x` annmatrix object.
`...` further arguments passed to or from methods.

Value

transposed annmatrix object

Author(s)

Karolis Koncevičius

Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object  
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)  
  
coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),  
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))  
  
rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),  
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))  
  
X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)  
  
# stack all information into a long-format data.frame  
Y <- stack(X)
```

subset	<i>Subset anmatrix Objects</i>
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Description

Methods for selecting a set of rows or columns from anmatrix while keeping the associated annotations intact.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'anmatrix'  
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
```

Arguments

x	an R object.
i	subset for rows.
j	subset for columns.
...	further arguments passed to or from methods.
drop	if TRUE (default) subsetting a single row or column will returned a vector.

Details

$X[i, j]$ returns a selected subset of anmatrix object. Row and column annotations are preserved and subsetted where needed. In the special case when only one column or row is selected in order to be consistent with the `matrix` behavior the dimensions of matrix are dropped and a vector is returned. Just like in the case of matrices the additional argument `drop=FALSE` can be provided in order to return a proper matrix instead.

Value

A selected subset of the provided 'anmatrix' object.

Author(s)

Karolis Koncevičius

See Also

`as.anmatrix`

Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

# annotations are preserved after subsetting
Y <- X[X@chr == "chr1", X$group == "case"]
Y@chr
Y$''

Y[, 1]
Y[, 1, drop = FALSE]
```

transpose

Transposing annmatrix Objects

Description

Transpose annmatrix along with the associated row and column annotations.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'annmatrix'
t(x)
```

Arguments

x annmatrix object.

Value

transposed annmatrix object with appropriately adjusted row and column annotations.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# construct annmatrix object
x <- matrix(rnorm(20*10), 20, 10)

coldata <- data.frame(group = rep(c("case", "control"), each = 5),
                      gender = sample(c("M", "F"), 10, replace = TRUE))

rowdata <- data.frame(chr = sample(c("chr1", "chr2"), 20, replace = TRUE),
                      pos = runif(20, 0, 1000000))

X <- annmatrix(x, rowdata, coldata)

# transposes the main matrix along with row and column annotations
Xt <- t(X)

print(X)
print(Xt)

X@chr
Xt$chr
```

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