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cbind_SnpMatrix	<i>Safe cbind for SnpMatrix preserving dimnames</i>
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Description

This function performs a column-wise binding of multiple SnpMatrix objects, explicitly preserving row names and column names, avoiding unexpected "object has no names" warnings.

Usage

```
cbind_SnpMatrix(...)
```

Arguments

... SnpMatrix objects to combine (must have identical row names).

Value

A single combined SnpMatrix with preserved row and column names.

Examples

```
## Not run:
cbind_SnpMatrix(matrix1, matrix2)

## End(Not run)
```

`check.sample.call.rate`*Check Sample Call Rate*

Description

Identifies samples with call rate below a given threshold.

Usage

```
check.sample.call.rate(sample.summary, min.call.rate)
```

Arguments

`sample.summary` A data frame with a "Call.rate" column for each sample.

`min.call.rate` Minimum acceptable call rate (between 0 and 1).

Value

A character vector with the names of samples to remove.

`combinarSNPData`*Combine multiple SNPDataLong objects*

Description

This function merges a list of `SNPDataLong` objects, typically representing different SNP panels or datasets, into a single unified `SNPDataLong` object. It ensures that all genotype matrices have the same set of SNPs (filling missing SNPs with NA), and merges the marker map information while removing duplicate SNP entries.

Usage

```
combinarSNPData(lista)
```

Arguments

`lista` A list of `SNPDataLong` objects to be combined.

Value

A single `SNPDataLong` object containing the combined genotype matrix, merged map, and a concatenated path string.

Examples

```
## Not run:
combined <- combinarSNPData(list(snp_obj1, snp_obj2, snp_obj3))

## End(Not run)
```

FImputeRunner	<i>Build FImputeRunner object</i>
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Description

A convenience function to construct a ‘FImputeRunner’ object from basic inputs.

Usage

```
FImputeRunner(object, path, exec_path = "FImpute3", name = "data")
```

Arguments

path	A character string indicating the directory to save FImpute files.
exec_path	Path to the FImpute executable (default = "FImpute3").
name	Name for the dataset (used internally, default = "gen_data").
geno	A SnpMatrix object.
map	A data.frame with SNP metadata (columns: Name, Chromosome, Position).

Value

An object of class ‘FImputeRunner’.

genoToDF	<i>Convert geno slot from SNPDataLong to a data.frame</i>
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Description

Converts the genotype matrix (geno slot) of a SNPDataLong object to a data.frame, with optional centering and scaling per SNP (column).

Usage

```
genoToDF(object, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class SNPDataLong.
center	Logical or numeric. If TRUE (default FALSE), center columns to mean zero.
scale	Logical or numeric. If TRUE (default FALSE), scale columns to standard deviation one.

Value

A data.frame with individuals as rows and SNPs as columns (numeric 0/1/2, or centered/scaled values).

Examples

```
## Not run:
df <- genoToDF(nelore_imputed, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
head(df[, 1:5])

## End(Not run)
```

getGeno	<i>Flexible and efficient genotype file reading with autodetection using fread</i>
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Description

This generic and method allow flexible import of SNP genotype data from Illumina FinalReport files, supporting fast initial column detection using `data.table::fread`, followed by full genotype matrix construction via `snpStats::read.snps.long`.

Usage

```
getGeno(...)
```

Arguments

path	Path to the directory containing FinalReport.txt
fields	A list specifying column indices for sample, SNP, allele1, allele2, and confidence
codes	A character vector with allele codes (e.g., c("A", "B"))
threshold	Confidence threshold for genotype calling
sep	Field separator used in the files
skip	Number of lines to skip at the start of the file
verbose	Logical; if TRUE, displays progress messages
every	Frequency of progress update (number of SNPs)

Value

An SNPDataLong object containing the genotype matrix and map, or NULL if an error occurs

importAllGenos	<i>Import and combine multiple genotype configurations</i>
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Description

This generic method import genotype data from multiple configurations defined in an SNPImportList object, then combine them into a single unified SNPDataLong object.

Usage

```
importAllGenos(object)
```

Arguments

object An object of class SNPImportList containing import configurations

Value

A single combined SNPDataLong object

importFImputeResults	<i>Import imputed FImpute results from disk</i>
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Description

Reads existing imputed results from a given path and returns an object of class SNPDataLong.

Usage

```
importFImputeResults(path)
```

Arguments

path Character. Path to the folder containing 'output_fimpute' (e.g., "fimpute_run_nelore").

Value

An object of class SNPDataLong containing the imputed genotypes and SNP map.

Examples

```
## Not run:
imputed_obj <- importFImputeResults("fimpute_run_nelore")
head(imputed_obj@map)

## End(Not run)
```

import_geno_list	<i>Import multiple genotype datasets from a list of configurations</i>
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Description

This function iterates over a list of configuration lists (each specifying parameters such as path, fields, separators, etc.), imports each genotype dataset using `getGeno()`, optionally subsets by individual IDs, and then combines them into a single `SNPDataLong` object.

Usage

```
import_geno_list(config_list)
```

Arguments

config_list A list of configuration lists. Each configuration must include at least:

- path** Character. Directory containing the genotype file (FinalReport.txt).
- fields** List. Specifies column indices in FinalReport for sample ID, SNP ID, allele1, allele2, and confidence. E.g., `list(sample = 2, snp = 1, allele1 = 7, allele2 = 8, confidence = 9)`.

Optional elements in each configuration include:

- codes** Character vector. Possible genotype allele codes (default: `c("A", "B")`).
- threshold** Numeric. Confidence threshold for genotype calling (default: 0.15).
- sep** Character. Field separator in the file (default: `tab`).
- skip** Integer. Number of lines to skip at the start of the file (default: 0).
- verbose** Logical. Whether to print progress messages (default: `TRUE`).
- subset** Character vector. Optional vector of sample IDs to keep (subsets individuals before merging).

Value

A unified `SNPDataLong` object containing combined genotype data from all configurations.

Examples

```
## Not run:
configs <- list(
  list(path = "panel1", fields = list(sample = 2, snp = 1, allele1 = 7, allele2 = 8, confidence = 9)),
  list(path = "panel2", fields = list(sample = 2, snp = 1, allele1 = 7, allele2 = 8, confidence = 9), threshold = 0.10
)
combined_data <- import_geno_list(configs)

## End(Not run)
```

plotPCAgroups	<i>Plot PCA groups from anticlustering result</i>
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Description

Plot PCA groups from anticlustering result

Usage

```
plotPCAgroups(pca_res, groups, pcs = c(1, 2), filename = NULL)
```

Arguments

pca_res	A prcomp object.
groups	A factor or vector of group assignments.
pcs	Vector of length 2 indicating which PCs to plot (default: c(1, 2)).
filename	Optional. If provided, saves plot to this file (e.g., "antic.png").

Value

A ggplot object (also prints to screen).

Examples

```
## Not run:
res <- runAnticlusteringPCA(nelore_imputed, K = 2, n_pcs = 20)
plotPCAgroups(res$pca, res$groups)

## End(Not run)
```

qcSamples	<i>Quality control on samples</i>
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Description

Applies quality control (QC) procedures to samples in a ‘SNPDataLong’ object, based on heterozygosity and call rate thresholds.

Usage

```
qcSamples(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SNPDataLong'
qcSamples(
  x,
  heterozygosity = NULL,
  smp_cr = NULL,
  action = c("report", "filter", "both")
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class ‘SNPDataLong’.
<code>heterozygosity</code>	A numeric threshold or range for heterozygosity. Samples outside this threshold are removed.
<code>smp_cr</code>	Minimum acceptable sample call rate (between 0 and 1). Samples below this value are removed.
<code>action</code>	Character string indicating the action to perform. One of: - “report”: only returns a list of samples to remove and those kept; - “filter”: returns a filtered object without reporting; - “both”: performs filtering and returns the filtered object.

Value

Depending on the ‘action’ argument: - “report”: returns a list with removed and kept samples; - “filter”: returns a new ‘SNPDataLong’ object with filtered genotypes; - “both”: returns a list with: - ‘filtered’: the filtered ‘SNPDataLong’ object; - ‘report’: a list of removed and kept samples.

 qcSNPs

Quality Control for SNPDataLong with optional criteria

Description

Applies flexible quality control filters on an object of class SNPDataLong. Supports call rate filtering, minor allele frequency (MAF), Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (HWE), removal of monomorphic SNPs, exclusion of specific chromosomes, optionally removing SNPs without positions, and optionally removing SNPs at the same genomic position.

Usage

```
qcSNPs(x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>SNPDataLong</code> .
<code>missing_ind</code>	Maximum allowed proportion of missing data per individual (optional). <i>*[Currently not implemented]*</i>
<code>missing_snp</code>	Maximum allowed proportion of missing data per SNP (optional). <i>*[Currently not implemented]*</i>
<code>min_snp_cr</code>	Minimum acceptable call rate for SNPs (e.g., 0.95).
<code>min_maf</code>	Minimum minor allele frequency allowed for SNPs (e.g., 0.05).
<code>hwe</code>	p-value threshold for Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium test (e.g., 1e-6).
<code>snp_position</code>	Logical. If TRUE, removes SNPs mapped to the same position, keeping the one with highest MAF.
<code>no_position</code>	Logical. If TRUE, removes SNPs without defined map positions.
<code>snp_mono</code>	Logical. If TRUE, removes monomorphic SNPs.
<code>remove_chr</code>	Character vector of chromosomes to exclude (e.g., <code>c("X", "Y")</code>).
<code>action</code>	One of "report" (list of removed SNPs), "filter" (returns filtered <code>SNPDataLong</code>), or "both" (both results).

Value

Depending on the action argument: - "report": list of SNPs removed by each filter and SNPs retained. - "filter": filtered `SNPDataLong` object. - "both": list containing the filtered object and detailed report.

Examples

```
## Not run:
set.seed(123)
mat <- matrix(sample(c(0, 1, 2, NA), 100, replace = TRUE, prob = c(0.4, 0.4, 0.15, 0.05)),
              nrow = 10, ncol = 10)
colnames(mat) <- paste0("snp", 1:10)
rownames(mat) <- paste0("ind", 1:10)
map <- data.frame(Name = colnames(mat), Chromosome = 1, Position = 1:10)
x <- new("SNPDataLong", geno = mat, map = map)

# Example with multiple filters and returning a detailed report
qcSNPs(x, min_snp_cr = 0.8, min_maf = 0.05, snp_mono = TRUE, no_position = TRUE, snp_position = TRUE, action = "report")

## End(Not run)
```

qc_header	<i>Formatted header message</i>
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Description

Prints a formatted message with a border for section titles in the console.

Usage

```
qc_header(title)
```

Arguments

title	Character string to be printed inside the header box.
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Value

No return value. Used for side effects (message).

Examples

```
qc_header("Quality Control on Samples")
```

rbindSnpFlexible	<i>Faster row-bind for SnpMatrix objects with differing columns</i>
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Description

Combines multiple SnpMatrix objects by rows, automatically handling differing SNP columns, optimized for large matrices.

Usage

```
rbindSnpFlexible(...)
```

Arguments

...	One or more SnpMatrix objects.
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Value

A single SnpMatrix object with all rows combined.

Examples

```
## Not run:
combined <- rbindSnpFlexible(brangus_geno, batch_BM@geno)

## End(Not run)
```

rbind_SnpMatrix	<i>Safe rbind for SnpMatrix preserving dimnames</i>
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Description

This function performs a row-wise binding of multiple SnpMatrix objects, explicitly preserving row names and column names, avoiding unexpected "object has no names" warnings.

Usage

```
rbind_SnpMatrix(...)
```

Arguments

... SnpMatrix objects to combine (must have identical column names).

Value

A single combined SnpMatrix with preserved row and column names.

Examples

```
## Not run:
rbind_SnpMatrix(matrix1, matrix2)

## End(Not run)
```

read.fimpute	<i>Read imputed genotypes from FImpute output and return SNPData-Long object</i>
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Description

Reads imputed genotypes and SNP information from FImpute output, builds a SnpMatrix and a corresponding map, and returns an SNPDataLong object.

Usage

```
read.fimpute(file)
```

Arguments

file Character. Path to the FImpute output directory (usually "output_fimpute").

Value

An object of class SNPDataLong containing the imputed genotypes and SNP map.

Examples

```
## Not run:
snp_long <- read.fimpute("output_fimpute")

## End(Not run)
```

runAnticlusteringPCA *Run PCA and Anticlustering on SNPDataLong*

Description

Converts a SNPDataLong object to a data.frame, runs PCA, and performs anticlustering grouping.

Usage

```
runAnticlusteringPCA(object, K = 2, n_pcs = 20, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object An object of class SNPDataLong.

K Number of groups for anticlustering.

n_pcs Number of top principal components to use (default: 20).

center Logical or numeric. Center columns before PCA (default: TRUE).

scale Logical or numeric. Scale columns before PCA (default: TRUE).

Value

A list with: - groups: vector with group assignments. - pca: the PCA result object (prcomp). - pcs: matrix of top PCs used in anticlustering.

Examples

```
## Not run:
res <- runAnticlusteringPCA(nelore_imputed, K = 2, n_pcs = 20)
table(res$groups)

## End(Not run)
```

runFImpute

Run FImpute from a FImputeRunner object

Description

This function runs the external FImpute software using a 'FImputeRunner' object, ensuring that all required input files are present and the results are imported.

Usage

```
runFImpute(object, verbose = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'FImputeRunner'
runFImpute(object, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class 'FImputeRunner'.
verbose	Logical. If TRUE (default), FImpute output will be printed to the console.

Value

An updated 'FImputeRunner' object with the 'results' slot populated (SnpMatrix).

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Example: Running FImpute from a FImputeRunner object

path_fimpute <- "fimpute_run_example"
param_file <- file.path(path_fimpute, "fimpute.par")
fimpute_exec <- "FImpute3" # assuming it is in PATH

export_obj <- new("FImputeExport",
                  geno = geno_obj@geno,
                  map = geno_obj@map,
                  path = path_fimpute)

runner <- new("FImputeRunner",
             export = export_obj,
             par_file = param_file,
             exec_path = fimpute_exec)

runner <- runFImpute(runner, verbose = TRUE)
head(runner@results)

## End(Not run)
```

saveFImpute	<i>Save genotype and map files in FImpute format</i>
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Description

S4 method to export genotype (.gen), map (.map), and parameter (fimpute.par) files compatible with [FImpute](<https://www.aps.uoguelph.ca/~msargol/fimpute/>).

Usage

```
saveFImpute(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'FImputeExport'
saveFImpute(object)

## S4 method for signature 'SNPDataLong'
saveFImpute(object, path = NULL)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class 'FImputeExport' or 'SNPDataLong'.
...	Additional arguments passed to methods.
path	Output directory (default: "fimpute_run" for SNPDataLong).

Value

No return value. Files are saved to disk.

saveFImputeRaw	<i>Export genotypes and map using basic arguments</i>
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Description

Convenience function to export FImpute files directly from a 'SnpMatrix' and map 'data.frame'.

Usage

```
saveFImputeRaw(geno, map, path)
```

Arguments

geno	A 'SnpMatrix' object.
map	A data.frame with columns 'Name', 'Chromosome', 'Position'.
path	Output directory.

savePlink	<i>Save SNPDataLong object to PLINK format</i>
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Description

Saves genotype and map data from an SNPDataLong object in PLINK format (.ped/.map and optionally binary files).

Usage

```
savePlink(  
  object,  
  path = "plink_out",  
  name = "plink_data",  
  run_plink = TRUE,  
  chunk_size = 1000  
)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class SNPDataLong.
path	Character. Directory where files will be saved.
name	Character. Base name for PLINK output files.
run_plink	Logical. If TRUE (default), runs PLINK1 to convert to binary files. If FALSE, only .ped and .map files are saved.
chunk_size	Integer. Number of individuals per chunk for writing .ped file (default: 1000).

Value

No return value. Files are saved to disk.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
savePlink(genotypes_qc, path = "plink_out", name = "nelore_qc", run_plink = TRUE, chunk_size = 2000)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

`summary,SNPDataLong-method`*Summary for SNPDataLong objects*

Description

Provides a detailed summary of an SNPDataLong object, including sample and SNP counts, proportion of missing data, and SNP distribution by chromosome if mapping information is available.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'SNPDataLong'  
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

`object` An object of class SNPDataLong.

Value

Prints a summary to the console. Returns NULL (invisible).

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