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## Description

A collection of I/O tools for handling the most commonly used genomic datafiles, like fasta/-q, bed, gff, gtf, ped/map and vcf.

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GenomicTools.fileHandler-package

*R Package To Handle Files From Genomic Data* *GenomicTools.fileHandler* is a loose collection of I/O Functions Needed in Genomic Data Analysis

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example.bed

*Example Gene Annotation in Bed-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example lines to represent a typical bed file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Format**

A file with three column Chr, Start and End.

**Details**

The file is located in the /extdata folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.bed", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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example.fasta

*Example Sequencing Reads in fasta-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example reads to represent a typical fasta file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the /extdata folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.fasta", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example.fastq`*Example Sequencing Reads in fastq-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example reads to represent a typical fastq file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.fastq", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example.gff`*Example Gene Annotation in gff-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example gene annotations to represent a typical gff file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.gff", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example.gtf`*Example Gene Annotation in gtf-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example gene annotations to represent a typical gtf file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.gtf", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example.ped`*Example Variant data in ped/map-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example variants to represent a typical ped/map file pair that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.ped", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example.vcf`*Example Variant data in vcf-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example variants to represent a typical vcf file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example.vcf", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`example2.gtf.gz`*Example Gene Annotation in zipped gtf-Format*

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**Description**

This file contains some example gene annotations to represent a typical zipped gtf file that can be used to try the corresponding functions.

**Details**

The file is located in the `/extdata` folder of the package and is accessible after installation via `system.file("extdata", "example2.gtf.gz", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")`

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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exportBed	<i>Exporting a Bed File.</i>
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## Description

This function exports a standard bed file.

## Usage

```
exportBed(x, file = NULL, header = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

x	data.frame
file	Character, specifies filename/path
header	Logical, shall a header be written

## Details

This function exports a data.frame to a standard bed file. If no file name is given, the variable name will be used instead.

## Value

A bed file

## Author(s)

Daniel Fischer

## Examples

```
novelBed <- data.frame(Chr=c(11,18,3),
                      Start=c(72554673, 62550696, 18148822),
                      End=c(72555273, 62551296, 18149422),
                      Gene=c("LOC1", "LOC2", "LOC3"))

# Create a temporary file to where the output of the function is stored
myfile <- file.path(tempdir(), "myLocs.bed")

exportBed(novelBed, file=myfile)
exportBed(novelBed, file=myfile, header=TRUE)
```

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`exportFA`*Exporting a Fasta File.*

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**Description**

This function exports a standard fasta file.

**Usage**

```
exportFA(fa, file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fa</code>	fasta object
<code>file</code>	Character, specifies filename/path

**Details**

This function exports a fasta object to a standard fasta file. If no file name is given, the variable name will be used instead.

**Value**

A fasta file

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata", "example.fasta", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example fasta file
fastaFile <- importFA(file=fpath)
newFasta <- fastaFile[1:5]

myfile <- file.path(tempdir(), "myLocs.fa")

exportFA(newFasta, file=myfile)
```



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`importBed`*Importing a Bed File.*

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**Description**

This function imports a standard bed file

**Usage**

```
importBed(file, header = FALSE, sep = "\t")
```

**Arguments**

<code>file</code>	Specifies the filename/path
<code>header</code>	Logical, is a header present
<code>sep</code>	Column separator

**Details**

This function imports a standard bed-file into a data.frame. It is basically a convenience wrapper around `read.table`. However, if no header lines is given, this function automatically assigns the column names, as they are given in the bed-specification on the Ensembl page here: <https://www.ensembl.org/info/website/upload/bed.html>

**Value**

A data.frame

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**See Also**

[`exportBed`], [`read.table`]

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata", "example.bed", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example bed file
bedFile <- importBed(file=fpath)
```

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importBlastTab	<i>Import a Tab Delimited Blast Output File</i>
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**Description**

This function imports a tab delimited blast output.

**Usage**

```
importBlastTab(file)
```

**Arguments**

file	Filename
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**Details**

This function imports a tab delimited blast output file, currently the same as read.table

**Value**

A data.frame

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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importFA	<i>Importing a Fasta File.</i>
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**Description**

This function imports a standard fasta file

**Usage**

```
importFA(file)
```

**Arguments**

file	Specifies the filename/path
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**Details**

This function imports a standard fasta file. Hereby, it does not matter if the identifier and sequence are alternating or not, as the rows starting with '>' are used as identifier.

The example file was downloaded from here and was then further truncated respective transformed to fasta format:

`ftp://ftp.1000genomes.ebi.ac.uk/vol1/ftp/phase3/data/HG00096/sequence_read/`

**Value**

An object of class `fa` containing the sequences. The names correspond to the sequence names given in the fasta file.

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**See Also**

`print.fa`, `summary.fa`

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata", "example.fasta", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example fasta file
fastaFile <- importFA(file=fpath)
```

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`importFeatureCounts`     *Import from FeatureCounts*

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**Description**

This functions imports the output from `FeatureCounts`

**Usage**

```
importFeatureCounts(file, skip = 0, headerLine = 2)
```

**Arguments**

<code>file</code>	Character, file name
<code>skip</code>	Number of lines to skip from txt file
<code>headerLine</code>	Linenumber that contains the header information

**Details**

FeatureCounts produces two files, the txt that contain the expression values and then the summary that contains all the information about the mapping statistics. This function imports both and stores them in a corresponding list.

**Value**

A list with expValues, geneInfo and summary

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata", "featureCountsExample.txt", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example featureCounts file
fcFile <- importFeatureCounts(file=fpath)
```

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importFQ

*Importing a Fastq File.*

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**Description**

This function imports a standard fastq file

**Usage**

```
importFQ(file)
```

**Arguments**

file                    Specifies the filename/path

**Details**

This function imports a standard fastq file that consists out of blocks of four lines per entry

**Value**

An object of class fq containing the sequences and the quality measure. The names correspond to the sequence names given in the fasta file.

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**See Also**

print.fq, summary.fq

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata","example.fastq", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example fastq file
fastqFile <- importFQ(file=fpath)
```

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importGFF

*importGFF*


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**Description**

Import a GFF file

**Usage**

```
importGFF(file, skip = "auto", nrow = -1, use.data.table = TRUE,
  level = "gene", features = NULL, num.features = c("FPKM", "TPM"),
  print.features = FALSE, merge.feature = NULL, merge.all = TRUE,
  class.names = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

file	file or folder
skip	numeric, lines to skip
nrow	numeric, lines to read
use.data.table	logical
level	Character, read level, default: "gene"
features	features to import
num.features	names of the numeric features
print.features	Logical, print available features
merge.feature	Character, merge multiple samples to dataset
merge.all	Logical, shall all samples be merged together
class.names	Definition of class name sin V9
verbose	Logical, verbose function output

**Details**

This function imports a standard gff file.

**Value**

A gff object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata", "example.gff", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example gff file
importGFF(fpath)
```

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`importGFF3`

*importGFF3*

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**Description**

Import a GFF3 file

**Usage**

```
importGFF3(gff, chromosomes)
```

**Arguments**

<code>gff</code>	file or folder
<code>chromosomes</code>	The chromosome to import

**Details**

This function imports a standard gff3 file.

**Value**

A gff object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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importGTF	<i>Import a GTF File</i>
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**Description**

This function imports a gtf file.

**Usage**

```
importGTF(file, skip = "auto", nrow = -1, use.data.table = TRUE,
  level = "gene", features = NULL, num.features = c("FPKM", "TPM"),
  print.features = FALSE, merge.feature = NULL, merge.all = TRUE,
  class.names = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

file	file or folder
skip	numeric, lines to skip
nrow	numeric, lines to read
use.data.table	logical
level	Character, read level, default: "gene"
features	features to import
num.features	names of the numeric features
print.features	Logical, print available features
merge.feature	Character, merge multiple samples to dataset
merge.all	Logical, shall all samples be merged
class.names	Vector with class names
verbose	Logical, verbose function output

**Details**

This function imports a gtf file. The features names to be imported are defined in features, several features are then provided as vector. A list of available feature can beprinted, by setting print.features=TRUE.

The skip option allows to skip a given number of rows, the default is, however, auto. In that case, all rows that start with the # symbol are skipped.

In case a set of expression values given in gtf format should be imported and to be merged into a single data table, the feature that should be used for merging can be provided to the merge.feature option. In that case the function expects a folder in file and it will import all gtfs located in that folder and merges them according to the merge.feature option. With the option class.names a vector of prefixes for the merged features can be provided. If this is kept empty, then the filenames of the gtf will be used instead (without gtf extension).

By default the function imprts all features in column 9 as string character. However, for common labels (FPKM and TPM) the class type is set automatically to numeric. Additional numerical feature names can be defined with the num.feature option.

**Value**

A gtf object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata","example.gtf", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Same file, but this time as gzipped version
fpath.gz <- system.file("extdata","example2.gtf.gz", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")

# Import the example gtf file
importGTF(fpath, level="transcript", features=c("gene_id","FPKM"))

## Not run:
# For the current you need to have zcat installed (should be standard on a Linux system)
importGTF(fpath.gz, level="transcript", features=c("gene_id","FPKM"))

## End(Not run)
```

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importPED

*importPED*


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**Description**

Import a PED/MAP file pair

**Usage**

```
importPED(file, n, snps = NULL, which, split = "\\t| +", sep = ".",
  na.strings = "0", lex.order = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

file	ped filename
n	Number of samples to read
snps	map filename
which	Names of SNPS to import
split	Columns separator in ped file
sep	Character that separates Alleles
na.strings	Definition for missing values
lex.order	Logical, lexicographical order
verbose	Logical, verbose output



**Details**

This function is to a large extent taken from `snpStat::read.pedmap`, but here is internally the `data.table::fread` function used that resulted in much faster file processing.

To import the data, the ped file can be provided to the `file` option and the map file to the `snps` option. If no option is given to `snps` and the `file` option is provided without any file extension, then the ped/map extension are automaticall added

**Value**

a pedmap object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
pedPath <- system.file("extdata","example.ped", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
mapPath <- system.file("extdata","example.map", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example ped/map files
importPED(file=pedPath, snps=mapPath)
```

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importSTARLog

*importSTARLog*

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**Description**

Import the Log-File from STAR

**Usage**

```
importSTARLog(dir, recursive = TRUE, log = FALSE, finalLog = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dir</code>	The directory name
<code>recursive</code>	Logical, check for sub-directories
<code>log</code>	boolean, import also log file
<code>finalLog</code>	boolean, import also final_log file
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, talkactive function feedback

**Details**

This function imports the Log file from STAR

**Value**

a data frame

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`importVCF`

*importVCF*

---

**Description**

Import a VCF function

**Usage**

```
importVCF(file, na.seq = "./.")
```

**Arguments**

<code>file</code>	The file name
<code>na.seq</code>	The missing value definition

**Details**

This function imports a VCF file.

In case the logicl flag 'phased' is set to TRUE then the genotypes are expected to be in the format 0/0, otherwise they are expected to be like 0/1 .

The example file was downloaded from here:

[ftp://ftp.1000genomes.ebi.ac.uk/vol1/ftp/pilot\\_data/release/2010\\_07/exon/snps/](ftp://ftp.1000genomes.ebi.ac.uk/vol1/ftp/pilot_data/release/2010_07/exon/snps/)

**Value**

A vcf object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

**Examples**

```
# Define here the location on HDD for the example file
fpath <- system.file("extdata","example.vcf", package="GenomicTools.fileHandler")
# Import the example vcf file
importVCF(fpath)
```

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`importXML`*importXML*

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**Description**

Import an Blast XML file

**Usage**

```
importXML(folder, seqNames = NULL, which = NULL, idTH = 0.8,
          verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

folder	Character, folder path
seqNames	Names of sequences
which	Which sequences to import
idTH	Use the threshold as cut-off
verbose	Logical, verbose output

**Details**

This function imports XML files as provided as Blast output, it is mainly aimed to import the output of the hoardeR package

**Value**

An XML object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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<code>plotTotalReads</code>	<i>plotTotalReads</i>
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**Description**

Plot the total reads

**Usage**

```
plotTotalReads(STARLog)
```

**Arguments**

STARLog	A STARLog object
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**Details**

This function plots the total reads from a STARlog object

Part of the diagnostic plot series for of the STARLog. The function accepts also a list of STARLogs and creates then comparative boxplots

**Value**

A plot

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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<code>plotUniquelyMappedReads</code>	<i>plotUniquelyMappedReads</i>
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**Description**

Plot the uniquely mapped reads

**Usage**

```
plotUniquelyMappedReads(STARLog)
```

**Arguments**

STARLog	A STARLog object
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**Details**

This function plots the percentage of uniquely reads from a STARlog object

Part of the diagnostic plot series for of the STARLog. The function accepts also a list of STARLogs and creates then comparative boxplots

**Value**

A plot

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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```
prereadGTF
```

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prereadGTF
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**Description**

Preread a gtf file and prints features of it for importing it.

**Usage**

```
prereadGTF(file, nrow = 1000, skip = "auto")
```

**Arguments**

file	Filename
nrow	Number of rows to read
skip	Rows to skip from top

**Details**

This function reads in a gtf file and prints its features for the import step.

By default this function only imports the first 1000 rows, in case all rows should be imported set nrow=-1.

The number to skip in the beginning can be adjusted by the skip option. The default is here auto so that the function can identify the correct amount of header rows. Hence, this option should be changed only, if there is a good reason.

**Value**

A list of available features

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

print.bed                    *Print a bed Object*

---

**Description**

Prints a bed object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bed'  
print(x, n = 6, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class bed.
n	Number of lines to print
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a bed object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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print.fa                    *Print a fa Object*

---

**Description**

Prints a fa object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fa'  
print(x, n = 2, seq.out = 50, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class fa.
n	Number of sequences to display
seq.out	Length of the subsequence to display
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a fa object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`print.featureCounts`     *Print a featureCounts Object*

---

**Description**

Prints an featureCounts object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'featureCounts'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Object of class featureCounts.
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a featureCounts object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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`print.fq`     *Print a fq Object*

---

**Description**

Prints a fq object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fq'  
print(x, n = 2, seq.out = 50, print.qual = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class fq.
n	Number of sequences to display
seq.out	Length of the subsequence to display
print.qual	Logical, shall the quality measures also be printed
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a fa object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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<code>print.gtf</code>	<i>Print a gtf Object</i>
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**Description**

Prints a gtf object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'gtf'
print(x, n = 6, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class gtf.
n	Number of lines to print
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a bed object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer



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print.pedMap                    *Print a pedMap Object*

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**Description**

Prints an pedMap object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pedMap'  
print(x, n = 6, m = 6, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class pedMap.
n	Number of samples to display
m	Number of columns to display
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a pedMap object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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print.vcf                    *Print a vcf Object*

---

**Description**

Prints an vcf object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'vcf'  
print(x, n = 6, m = 6, fullHeader = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class vcf.
n	Number of samples to display
m	Number of columns to display
fullHeader	Logical, shall the whole header be printed
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The print function displays a vcf object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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summary.bed	<i>Summary of a bed Object</i>
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**Description**

Summarizes a bed object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bed'  
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class bed.
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The summary function displays an informative summary of a bed object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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summary.fa	<i>Summary of a fa Object</i>
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**Description**

Summarizes a fa object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fa'  
summary(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	Object of class fa.
...	Additional parameters

### Details

The summary function displays an informative summary of a fa object

### Author(s)

Daniel Fischer

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summary.featureCounts *Summary of a featureCounts Object*

---

### Description

Summarizes a featureCounts object.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'featureCounts'  
summary(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	Object of class featureCounts.
...	Additional parameters

### Details

The summary function displays an informative summary of a featureCounts object

### Author(s)

Daniel Fischer

summary.fq

*Summary of a fq Object*

---

**Description**

Summarizes a fq object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fq'  
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class fq.
...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The summary function displays an informative summary of a fq object

**Author(s)**

Daniel Fischer

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summary.gtf

*Summary of a gtf Object*

---

**Description**

Summarizes a gtf object.

**Usage**

```
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...	Additional parameters

**Details**

The summary function displays an informative summary of a gtf object

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summary.STARLog      *Summary of a STARLog Object*

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