

Supplementary Information

**The AnnotationSketch genome annotation
drawing library**

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1 AnnotationSketch

AnnotationSketch is a versatile and efficient C-based drawing library for GFF3-compatible genomic annotations. It is included in the *GenomeTools* distribution. In addition to the native C interface, bindings to the Lua, Python and Ruby programming languages are provided.

1.1 Overview

AnnotationSketch consists of several classes, which take part in three visualization *phases* (see Fig. 1.1).

1.1.1 Phase 1: Feature selection

The GFF3 input data are parsed into a directed acyclic graph (*annotation graph*, see Fig. 1.2 for an example) whose nodes correspond to single features (i.e. lines from the GFF3 file). Consequently, edges in the graph represent the *part-of* relationships between groups of genomic features according to the Sequence Ontology hierarchy. Note that GFF3 input files *must* be valid according to the GFF3 specification to ensure that they can be read for *AnnotationSketch* drawing or any other kind of manipulation using *GenomeTools*. A validating GFF3 parser is available in *GenomeTools* (and can be run using `gt_gff3validator`).

Each top-level node (which is a node without a parent) is then registered into a persistent *FeatureIndex* object. The *FeatureIndex* holds a collection of the top-level nodes of all features in each sequence region in an interval tree data structure that can be efficiently queried for features in a genomic region of interest. All child nodes of the top-level node are then available by the use of traversal functions. Alternatively, annotation graphs can be built by the user by creating each node explicitly and then connecting the nodes in a way such that the relationships are reflected in the graph structure (see examples section for example annotation graph building code).

1.1.2 Phase 2: Layout

The next step consists of processing the features (given via a *FeatureIndex* or a simple array of top level nodes) into a *Diagram* object which represents a single view of the annotations of a genomic region. First, semantic units are formed from the annotation subgraphs. This is done by building *blocks* from connected features by grouping and overlaying them according to several user-defined collapsing options (see “Collapsing”). By default, a separate *track* is then created for each Sequence Ontology feature type. Alternatively, if more granularity in track assignment is desired, *track selector* functions can be used to create tracks and assign blocks to them based on arbitrary feature characteristics. This is simply done by creating a unique identifier string per track. The *Diagram* object can also be used to hold one or more *custom tracks*, which allow

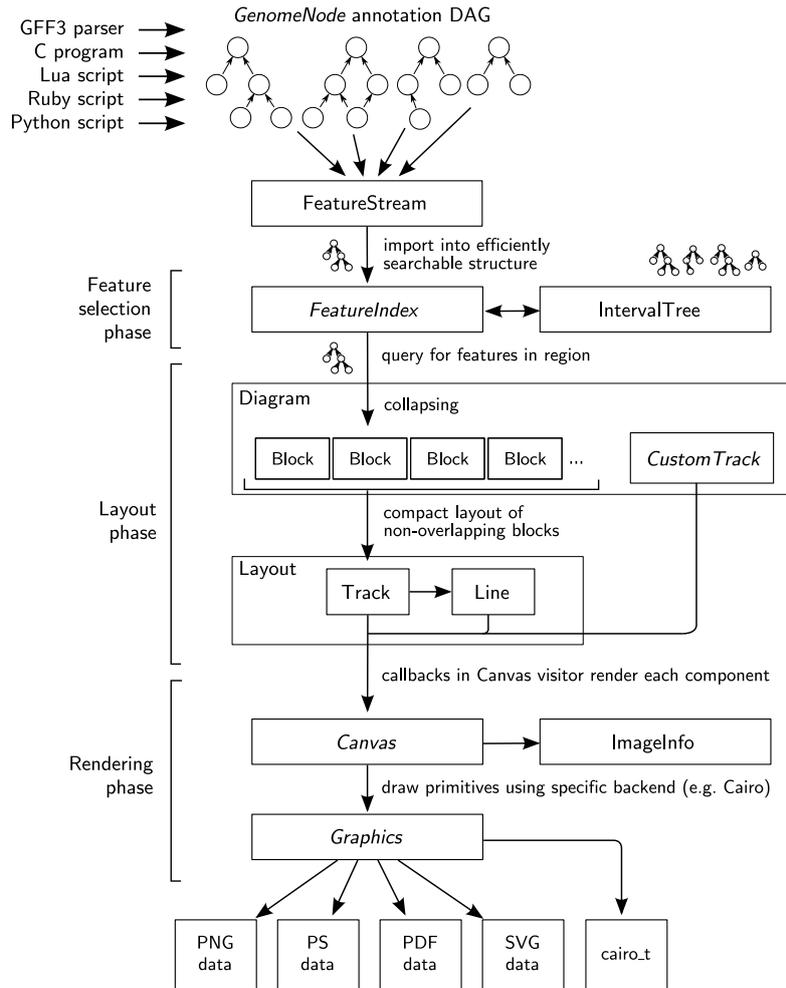


Figure 1.1: Schematic of the data flow through the classes involved in image creation.

users to develop their own graphical representations as plugins. The *Diagram* is then prepared for image output by calculating a compact *Layout* in which the *Block* objects in a track are distributed into *Line* objects, each containing non-overlapping blocks (see Fig. 1.3). The overall layout calculated this way tries to keep lines as compact as possible, minimising the amount of vertical space used. How new *Lines* are created depends on the chosen implementation of the *LineBreaker* interface, by default a *Block* is pushed into a new *Line* when either the *Block* or its caption overlaps with another one.

1.1.3 Phase 3: Rendering

In the final phase, the *Layout* object is used as a blueprint to create an image of a given type and size, considering user-defined options. The rendering process is invoked by calling the `sketch()` method of a *Layout* object. All rendering logic is implemented in classes implement-

sequence region

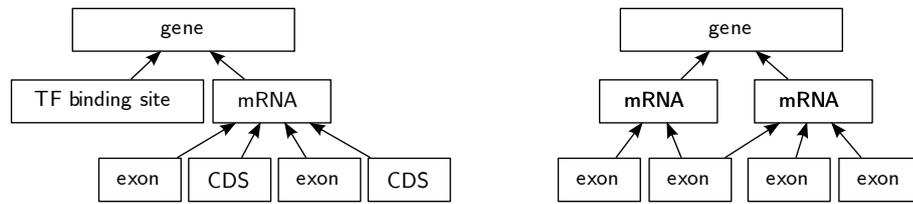


Figure 1.2: Example sequence region containing two genes in an annotation graph depicting the *part-of* relationships between their components.

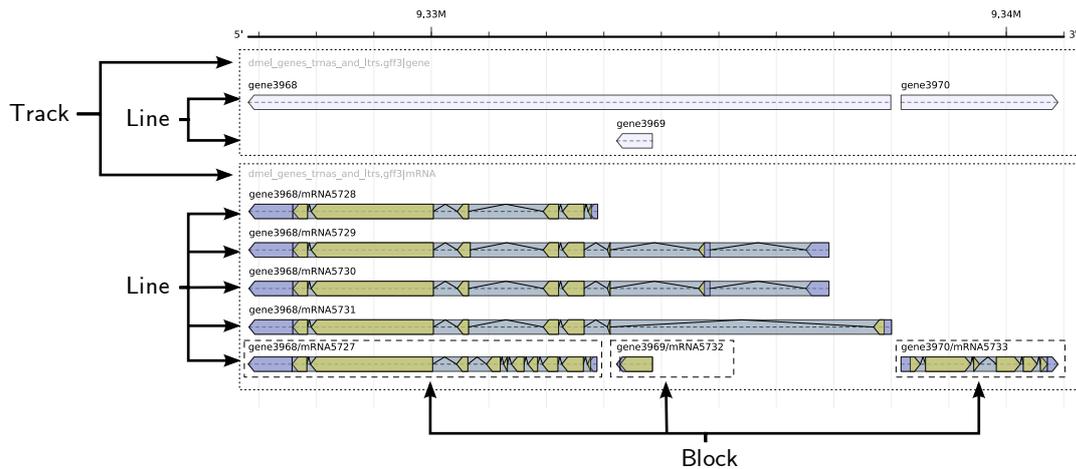


Figure 1.3: The components of the *Layout* class reflect sections of the resulting image.

ing the *Canvas* interface, whose methods are called during traversal of the *Layout* members. It encapsulates the state of a drawing and works independently of the chosen rendering back-end. Instead, rendering backend-dependent subclasses of *Canvas* are closely tied to a specific implementation of the *Graphics* interface, which provides methods to draw a number of primitives to a drawing surface abstraction. It wraps around the respective low-level graphics engine and allows for its easy extension or replacement. Currently, there is a *Graphics* implementation for the Cairo 2D graphics library (*GraphicsCairo*) and two *Canvas* subclasses providing access to the image file formats supported by Cairo (*CanvasCairoFile*) and to arbitrary Cairo contexts (*CanvasCairoContext*, which directly accesses a `cairo_t`). This class can be used, for example, to directly draw *AnnotationSketch* output in any graphical environment which is supported by Cairo (<http://www.cairographics.org/manual/cairo-surfaces.html>).

1.1.4 Collapsing

By default, *Lines* are grouped by the Sequence Ontology type associated with the top-level elements of their *Blocks*, resulting in one track per type. To obtain a shorter yet concise output,

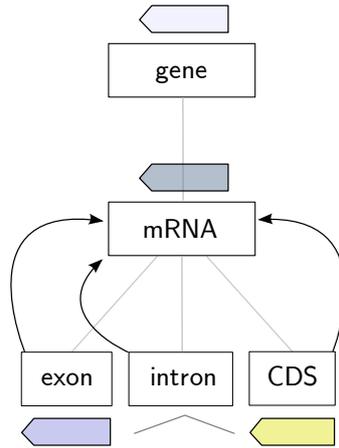


Figure 1.4: Schematic of the relationships between the *gene*, *mRNA*, *exon*, *intron* and *CDS* types and the colors of their representations in a diagram. The arrows illustrate how the relationships influence the collapsing process if collapsing is enabled for the *exon*, *intron* and *CDS* types. In this example, they will be drawn on top of their parent *mRNA* features.

tracks for parent types in the feature graph can be enabled to contain all the features of their child types. The features with the given type are then drawn on top of their parent features (e.g. all *exon* and *intron* features are placed into their parent *mRNA* or *gene* track). This process is called *collapsing*. Collapsing can be enabled by setting the `collapse_to_parent` option for the respective child type to `true`, e.g. the following options:

```

config = {
  exon = {
    ...,
    collapse_to_parent = true,
    ...,
  },
  intron = {
    ...,
    collapse_to_parent = true,
    ...,
  },
  CDS = {
    ...,
    collapse_to_parent = true,
    ...,
  },
}

```

would lead to all features of the *exon*, *intron* and *CDS* types collapsing into the *mRNA* track (see Fig. 1.4 and 1.5).

1.1.5 Styles

The Lua scripting language is used to provide user-defined settings. Settings can be imported from a script that is executed when loaded, thus eliminating the need for another parser. The Lua configuration data are made accessible to C via the *Style* class. Configurable options in-

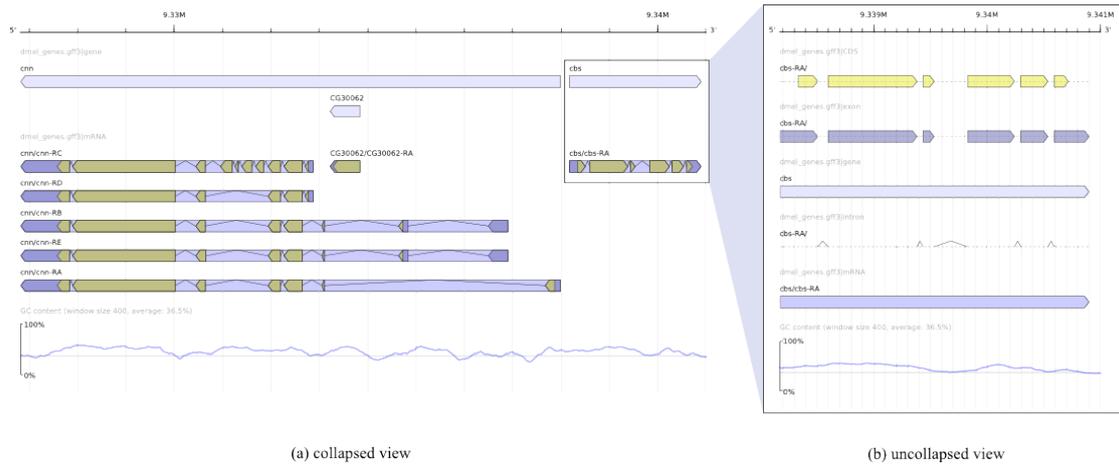


Figure 1.5: Example image of the *cmn* and *cbs* genes from *Drosophila melanogaster* (Ensembl release 51, positions 9326816–9341000 on chromosome arm 2R) as drawn by *AnnotationSketch*. At the bottom, the calculated GC content of the respective sequence is drawn via a custom track attached to the diagram. (a) shows a collapsed view in which all *exon*, *intron* and *CDS* types are collapsed into their parent type’s track. In contrast, (b) shows the *cbs* gene with all collapsing options set to `false`, resulting in each type being drawn in its own track.

clude assignment of display styles to each feature type, spacer and margin sizes, and collapsing parameters.

Instead of giving direct values, callback Lua functions can be used in some options to generate feature-dependent configuration settings at run-time. During layout and/or rendering, the *GenomeNode* object for the feature to be rendered is passed to the callback function which can then be evaluated and the appropriate type can be returned.

For example, setting the following options in the style file (or via the Lua bindings):

```

1 config = {
2   ...,
3   mRNA = {
4     block_caption = function(gn)
5       rng = gn:get_range()
6       return string.format("%s/%s (%dbp, %d exons)",
7         gn:get_attribute("Parent"),
8         gn:get_attribute("ID"),
9         rng:get_end() - rng:get_start() + 1,
10        #(gn:get_exons()))
11     end,
12   },
13   ...,
14 },
15 exon = {
16   -- Color definitions
17   fill = function(gn)
18     if gn:get_score() then
19       aval = gn:get_score()*1.0
20     else
21       aval = 0.0
22     end
23     return {red=1.0, green=0.0, blue=0.0, alpha=aval}

```



Figure 1.6: Example rendering using callback functions to enable custom block captions and score-dependent shading of exon features.

```

24 |                                     end ,
25 |                                     ...
26 |     },
27 |     ...
28 | }

```

will result in a changed rendering (see Fig. 1.6). The `block_caption` function (line 4) overrides the default block naming scheme, allowing to set custom captions to each block depending on feature properties. Color definitions such as the `fill` setting (line 17) for a feature's fill color can also be individually styled using callbacks. In this case, the color intensity is shaded by the `exon` feature's score value (e.g. given in a GFF file).

1.2 The `gt sketch` tool

The *GenomeTools* `gt` executable provides a new tool which uses the *AnnotationSketch* library to create a drawing in PNG, PDF, PostScript or SVG format from GFF3 annotations. The annotations can be given by supplying one or more file names as command line arguments:

```

$ gt sketch output.png annotation.gff3
$

```

or by receiving GFF3 data via the standard input, here prepared by the `gt gff3` tool (here called with the `-addintrons` option to automatically add intron features between exons):

```

$ gt gff3 -addintrons annotation.gff3 | gt sketch output.png
$

```

The region to create a diagram for can be specified in detail by using the `-seqid`, `-start` and `-end` parameters. For example, if the *D. melanogaster* gene annotation is given in the `dmel_annotation.gff3` file, use

```
$ gt sketch -format pdf -seqid 2R -start 9326816 -end 9332879 output.pdf \  
  dmel_annotation.gff3  
$
```

to plot a graphical representation of the *cnn* and *cbs* gene region from the *FlyBase* default view in PDF format. The `-force` option can be used to force overwriting of an already existing output file. The `-pipe` option additionally allows passing the GFF3 input through the sketch tool via the standard output, allowing the intermediate visualisation of results in a longer pipeline of connected GFF3 tools. More command line options are available; their documentation can be viewed using the `-help` option.

If an input file is not plotted due to parsing errors, *GenomeTools* includes a strict GFF3 validator tool to check whether the input file is in valid GFF3 format. Simply run a command like the following:

```
$ gt gff3validator input_file.gff3  
input is valid GFF3  
$
```

This validator also allows one to check the SO types occurring in a GFF3 file against a given OBO ontology file. This checking can be enabled by specifying the file as an argument to the `-typecheck` option.

If the PDF, SVG and/or PostScript output format options are not available in the `gt` binary, the most likely cause is that PDF, SVG and/or PostScript support is disabled in your local *Cairo* headers and thus also not available in your local *Cairo* library. This issue is not directly related to *AnnotationSketch* and can be resolved by recompiling the *Cairo* library with the proper backend support enabled.

1.3 Dynamic track assignment

A special kind of function, called *track selector function*, can be used to customise the *AnnotationSketch* output by using arbitrary features of a block to assign blocks to tracks (and implicitly creating new tracks this way).

1.3.1 Default: Top level type decides track membership

By default, for each *Block* in a *Diagram*, its source filename and/or the type attribute of its top level element decides into which track the block is finally inserted during the layout phase. So by default, an annotation graph parsed from the GFF3 input file ‘example.gff3’ with *gene*, *mRNA* and *exon* type nodes will be rendered into two separate tracks (*exon*→*mRNA* collapsing enabled, see Fig. 1.7):

- example.gff3|gene, and
- example.gff3|mRNA.

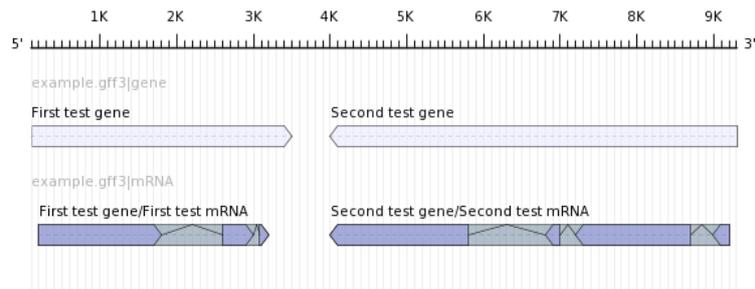


Figure 1.7: Default AnnotationSketch output for a simple GFF3 file with simple *exon*→*mRNA* collapsing.

We will call the second part (after the “|”) of these track titles *track identifier strings* in the rest of this document.

While automatically determining tracks from the types actually present in the input annotations is convenient in many use cases, one could imagine cases in which more control about block handling may be desired. This leads to the question: How can one extract blocks with specific characteristics and assign them to a special track? The answer is simple: By overriding the default track identifier string, new tracks can be created and named on the fly as soon as a block satisfying user-defined rules is encountered.

1.3.2 Track selector functions

These rules take the form of *track selector functions*. Basically, a track selector function is a function which takes a block reference as an argument, and returns an appropriate track identifier string. For example, in Python the default track selector function would look like this:

```
def default_track_selector(block):
    return block.get_type()
```

This function simply returns a string representation of the type of a block’s top level element, creating the tracks just like depicted in Fig. 1.7.

For a very simple example, let’s assume that we want to create separate tracks for all mRNAs on the plus strand and for all mRNAs on the minus strand. The idea now is to change the strand identifier for blocks of the *mRNA* type to include the strand as additional information, thus creating different track identifiers for plus and minus strand features. In Python, this track selector function would construct a new string which contains both the type and the strand:

```
def strand_track_selector(block):
    if block.get_type() == "mRNA":
        return "%s (%s strand)" % (block.get_type(), block.get_strand())
    else:
        return block.get_type()
```

Using this track selector function would produce the desired result of separate tracks for the *mRNA* features for each strand (see Fig. 1.8).

A track selector function can be set for a *Diagram* object using the `diagram.set_track_selector_func()` method. In C, its argument is a pointer to a function of the signature

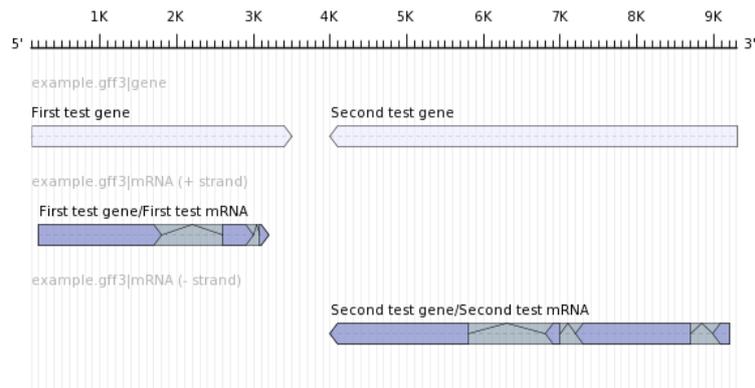


Figure 1.8: AnnotationSketch output with `strand_track_selector()` track selector function. This image now shows separate tracks for plus and minus strand features.

```
void (*GtTrackSelectorFunc)(GtBlock*, GtStr*, void*)
```

where arbitrary data can be passed via the third `void*` argument. The Python `set_track_selector_func()` method directly accepts a Python function as an argument, while the Ruby version takes a Proc object:

```
...
strand_track_selector = Proc.new { |block, data|
  "#{block.get_type} (#{block.get_strand} strand)"
}
...
diagram.set_track_selector_func(strand_track_selector)
...
```

Note that in Python and Ruby, it is also possible to reference data declared outside of the track selector function. For example, this can be used to filter blocks by pulling blocks whose description matches a pattern into a separate track:

```
...
interesting_genes = ["First test gene", "another gene"]

def filter_track_selector(block):
  if block.get_caption() in interesting_genes:
    return "interesting genes"
  else:
    return block.get_type()
...
diagram.set_track_selector_func(filter_track_selector)
...
```

This code results in the image shown in Fig. 1.9 :

1.4 Custom tracks

There are kinds of data which may be interesting to see together with annotation renderings, but that can not be expressed – or only in a complicated way – in GFF3 format. It may even be

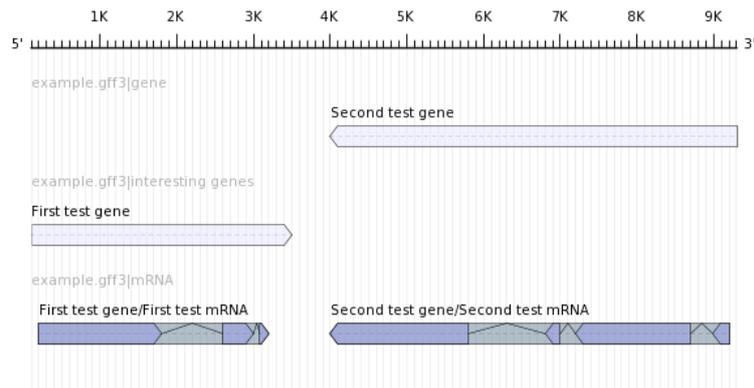


Figure 1.9: *AnnotationSketch* output with `filter_track_selector()` track selector function. This image now shows a separate track for features with a specific caption.

too difficult or counterintuitive to properly represent this data as typical *AnnotationSketch* box graphics. For example, this may be sequence data, numerical sequence analysis results, or other kinds of data which does not fit into the simple genomic feature scheme. For an example, see Fig. 1.10.

With *custom tracks*, *AnnotationSketch* provides a mechanism to use the internal drawing functionality to create user-defined output which can be tailored to fit this kind of data. A custom track looks just like a normal *AnnotationSketch* track, but is completely in control of the developer. While native *AnnotationSketch* primitives such as boxes can of course be used, the author of a custom track is not restricted to the layout algorithm and can draw anything anywhere (as long as it is provided by the *Graphics* class), taking arbitrary external data into account.

1.4.1 Anatomy of a custom track class

Simply put, custom tracks are classes which are derived from a *CustomTrack* base class and must implement a set of mandatory methods:

- `get_height()`: Returns the amount of vertical space (in pixels or points) the custom track will occupy in the final image. Must return a numeric value.
- `get_title()`: Returns a title for the custom track which is displayed at the top of the track. Note that, unlike a track identifier string e.g. produced by a track selector function, the string returned by this function is not prepended by a file name.
- `render(graphics, ypos, range, style, error)`: Performs the actual rendering operations. As parameters, this function receives
 - a *Graphics* object to draw on,
 - the vertical offset *ypos* of the drawing area assigned to the custom track,
 - the *Range* of the sequence positions for which annotations are currently displayed,

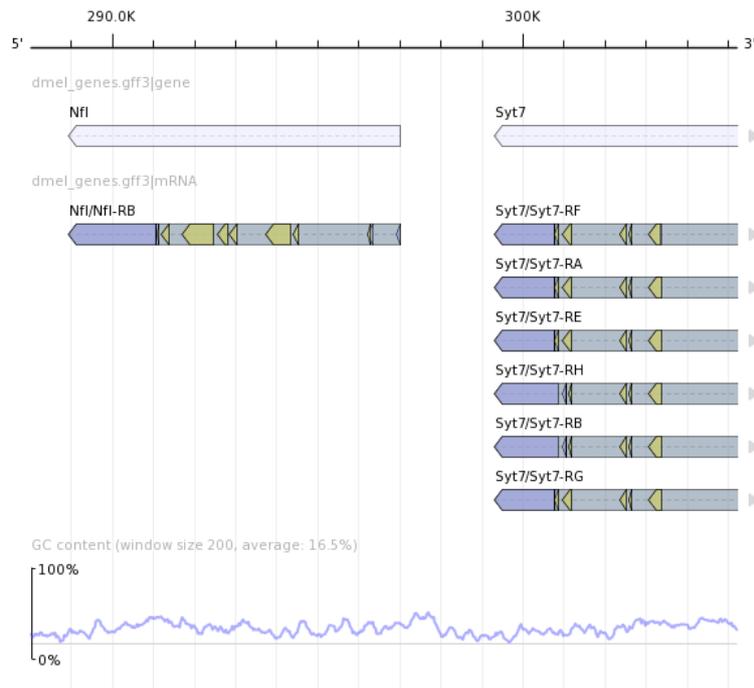


Figure 1.10: Example *AnnotationSketch* output with a custom track at the bottom, displaying the GC content over a window size of 200 bp.

- a *Style* object which can be used to obtain style information specific to this custom track, and
- an *Error* object which can be used to return an error message if the custom track needs to signal a problem.

The `render()` method must return 0 if drawing was successful, or a negative value if an error occurred.

Optionally, a `free()` method can be implemented if the subclass needs to clean up any private space allocated by itself. These methods are then called by the rendering code in *AnnotationSketch* when a *Diagram* containing a custom track is laid out and rendered. No other constraints apply on such a class besides that these methods are implemented (in the scripting language bindings, the parent classes' constructor must be called once).

1.4.2 Writing an example custom track

Let's suppose we are not satisfied with the display of single base features, such as transposable element insertion sites or SNPs. Instead of a single line denoting the feature location, we would like to have a small triangle pointing at the location. Suppose we also do not have this data in an annotation graph, so we cannot use the built-in rendering functions. It is straightforward to write

a small custom track class which does this for us. This tutorial uses Python code for simplicity, but the general approach is common to all supported languages.

First, we need to define a class inheriting from CustomTrack, call the parent constructor to register the functions and set instance variables for the triangle sidelength and a dictionary containing the feature positions and a description:

```
1 class CustomTrackInsertions(CustomTrack):
2     def __init__(self, sidelength, data):
3         super(CustomTrackInsertions, self).__init__()
4         self.sidelength = sidelength
5         self.data = data
```

We define the height to be 20 pixels:

```
6     def get_height(self):
7         return 20
```

As a track title, we set “Insertion site”:

```
8     def get_title(self):
9         return "Insertion site"
```

The rendering code then calculates the triangle coordinates and draws the respective lines:

```
10    def render(self, graphics, ypos, rng, style, error):
11        height = (self.sidelength*math.sqrt(3))/2
12        margins = graphics.get_xmargins()
13        red = Color(1, 0, 0, 0.7)
14        for pos, desc in self.data.iteritems():
15            drawpos = margins + (float(pos)-rng.start)/(rng.end-rng.start+1)
16                * (graphics.get_image_width()-2*margins)
17            graphics.draw_line(drawpos-self.sidelength/2, ypos + height,
18                               drawpos, ypos,
19                               red, 1)
20            graphics.draw_line(drawpos, ypos,
21                               drawpos+self.sidelength/2, ypos + height,
22                               red, 1)
23            graphics.draw_line(drawpos-self.sidelength/2, ypos + height,
24                               drawpos+self.sidelength/2, ypos + height,
25                               red, 1)
26            graphics.draw_text_centered(drawpos, ypos + height + 13, str(desc))
27        return 0
```

For a Python custom track, that’s it! No more code is necessary for this very simple custom track. We can now instantiate this class and attach the instance to a *Diagram* object:

```
...
diagram = Diagram(feature_index, seqid, range, style)
...
ctt = CustomTrackInsertions(15, {2000:"foo", 4400:"bar", 8000:"baz"})
diagram.add_custom_track(ctt)
...
```

Running layout and drawing functions on this diagram then produces the desired image (see Fig. 1.11

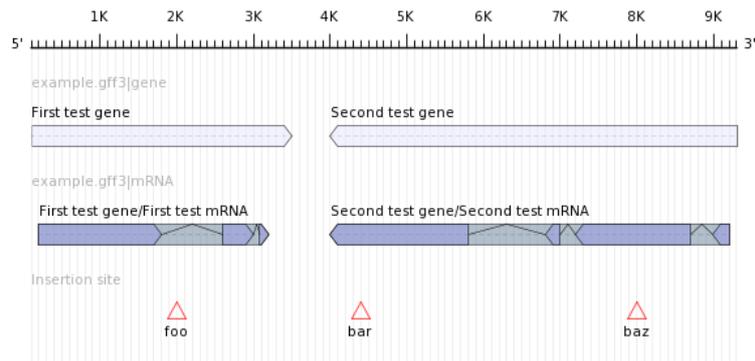


Figure 1.11: The example insertion site custom track (at the bottom), displaying three sample data points.

1.5 Examples

This section will show how to use the *AnnotationSketch* library in custom applications. As *AnnotationSketch* is distributed as a part of *GenomeTools*, its code is compiled into the `lib-genometools.so` shared library. Please refer to the `INSTALL` file inside the *GenomeTools* distribution for installation instructions.

For a general idea about how to use the library, a simple implementation of the GFF3 validator is included in the source package (see `src/examples/gff3validator.c`) as an example showing how to create *GenomeTools*-based programs. In the same directory, there is also an appropriate Makefile to build and link this application against the installed shared library `libgenometools.so`.

1.5.1 Using AnnotationSketch to draw annotations from a file

The following code examples (in C and Lua) illustrate how to produce an image from a given GFF3 file using *AnnotationSketch*. The result is shown in Fig. 1.12. In essence, these code examples implement something like a simple version of the `gt_sketch` tool from *GenomeTools* without most command-line options. The C-based examples mentioned below are compiled along with the *GenomeTools* library itself and available in the `bin/examples` directory.

C code

(See `src/examples/sketch_parsed.c` in the source distribution.)

```

1  #include "genometools.h"
2
3  static void handle_error(GtError *err)
4  {
5      fprintf(stderr, "error: %s\n", gt_error_get(err));
6      exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
7  }
8
9  int main(int argc, char *argv[])
10 {

```



Figure 1.12: Example rendering of a GFF3 file with default style.

```

11 | const char *style_file, *png_file, *gff3_file;
12 | char *seqid;
13 | GtStyle *style;
14 | GtFeatureIndex *feature_index;
15 | GtRange range;
16 | GtDiagram *diagram;
17 | GtLayout *layout;
18 | GtCanvas *canvas;
19 | unsigned long height;
20 | GtError *err;

22 | if (argc != 4) {
23 |     fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s style_file PNG_file GFF3_file\n", argv[0]);
24 |     return EXIT_FAILURE;
25 | }

27 | style_file = argv[1];
28 | png_file = argv[2];
29 | gff3_file = argv[3];

31 | /* initialize */
32 | gt_lib_init();

34 | /* create error object */
35 | err = gt_error_new();

37 | /* create style */
38 | if (!(style = gt_style_new(err)))
39 |     handle_error(err);

41 | /* load style file */
42 | if (gt_style_load_file(style, style_file, err))
43 |     handle_error(err);

45 | /* create feature index */
46 | feature_index = gt_feature_index_memory_new();

```

```

48  /* add GFF3 file to index */
49  if (gt_feature_index_add_gff3file(feature_index, gff3_file, err))
50      handle_error(err);

52  /* create diagram for first sequence ID in feature index */
53  if (!(seqid = gt_feature_index_get_first_seqid(feature_index, err))) {
54      if (gt_error_is_set(err))
55          handle_error(err);
56  }
57  if (gt_feature_index_get_range_for_seqid(feature_index, &range, seqid, err))
58      handle_error(err);
59  diagram = gt_diagram_new(feature_index, seqid, &range, style, err);
60  gt_free(seqid);
61  if (gt_error_is_set(err))
62      handle_error(err);

64  /* create layout with given width, determine resulting image height */
65  layout = gt_layout_new(diagram, 600, style, err);
66  if (!layout)
67      handle_error(err);
68  if (gt_layout_get_height(layout, &height, err))
69      handle_error(err);

71  /* create PNG canvas */
72  canvas = gt_canvas_cairo_file_new(style, GT_GRAPHICS_PNG, 600, height,
73                                  NULL, err);
74  if (!canvas)
75      handle_error(err);

77  /* sketch layout on canvas */
78  if (gt_layout_sketch(layout, canvas, err))
79      handle_error(err);

81  /* write canvas to file */
82  if (gt_canvas_cairo_file_to_file((GtCanvasCairoFile*) canvas, png_file, err))
83      handle_error(err);

85  /* free */
86  gt_canvas_delete(canvas);
87  gt_layout_delete(layout);
88  gt_diagram_delete(diagram);
89  gt_feature_index_delete(feature_index);
90  gt_style_delete(style);
91  gt_error_delete(err);
92  /* perform static data cleanup */
93  gt_lib_clean();
94  return EXIT_SUCCESS;
95  }

```

Lua code

(See `gtscripts/sketch_parsed.lua` in the source distribution. This example can be run by the command line `gt gtscripts/sketch_parsed.lua <style_file> <PNG_file> <GFF3_file>`)

```

1  function usage()
2      io.stderr:write(string.format("Usage: %s Style_file PNG_file GFF3_file\n",
3                                   arg[0]))
4      io.stderr:write("Create PNG representation of GFF3 annotation file.\n")
5      os.exit(1)
6  end

```

```

7  if #arg == 3 then
8      style_file = arg[1]
9      png_file   = arg[2]
10     gff3_file  = arg[3]
11  else
12     usage()
13  end

15  -- load style file
16  dofile(style_file)

18  -- create feature index
19  feature_index = gt.feature_index_memory_new()

21  -- add GFF3 file to index
22  feature_index.add_gff3file(gff3_file)

24  -- create diagram for first sequence ID in feature index
25  seqid = feature_index.get_first_seqid()
26  range = feature_index.get_range_for_seqid(seqid)
27  diagram = gt.diagram_new(feature_index, seqid, range)

29  -- create layout
30  layout = gt.layout_new(diagram, 600)
31  height = layout.get_height()

33  -- create canvas
34  canvas = gt.canvas_cairo_file_new_png(600, height, nil)

36  -- sketch layout on canvas
37  layout.sketch(canvas)

39  -- write canvas to file
40  canvas.to_file(png_file)

```

Ruby code

(See `gtruby/sketch_parsed.rb` in the source distribution.)

```

1  require 'gtruby'

3  if ARGV.size != 3 then
4      STDERR.puts "Usage: #{$0} style_file PNG_file GFF3_file"
5      STDERR.puts "Create PNG representation of GFF3 annotation file."
6      exit(1)
7  end

9  (stylefile, pngfile, gff3file) = ARGV

11 # load style file
12 style = GT::Style.new()
13 style.load_file(stylefile)

15 # create feature index
16 feature_index = GT::FeatureIndexMemory.new()

18 # add GFF3 file to index
19 feature_index.add_gff3file(gff3file)

```

```

21 # create diagram for first sequence ID in feature index
22 seqid = feature_index.get_first_seqid()
23 range = feature_index.get_range_for_seqid(seqid)
24 diagram = GT::Diagram.from_index(feature_index, seqid, range, style)

26 # create layout for given width
27 layout = GT::Layout.new(diagram, 800, style)

29 # create canvas with given width and computed height
30 canvas = GT::CanvasCairoFile.new(style, 800, layout.get_height, nil)

32 # sketch layout on canvas
33 layout.sketch(canvas)

35 # write canvas to file
36 canvas.to_file(pngfile)

```

Python code

(See `gtpython/sketch_parsed.py` in the source distribution.)

```

1  #!/usr/bin/python
2  # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-

4  from gt.annotationsketch import *
5  from gt.core.gtrange import Range
6  import sys

8  if __name__ == "__main__":
9      if len(sys.argv) != 4:
10         sys.stderr.write("Usage: " + (sys.argv)[0] +
11                            " Style_file PNG_file GFF3_file\n")
12         sys.stderr.write("Create PNG representation of GFF3 annotation file.")
13         sys.exit(1)

15         pngfile = (sys.argv)[2]

17         # load style file

19         style = Style()
20         style.load_file((sys.argv)[1])

22         # create feature index

24         feature_index = FeatureIndexMemory()

26         # add GFF3 file to index

28         feature_index.add_gff3file((sys.argv)[3])

30         # create diagram for first sequence ID in feature index

32         seqid = feature_index.get_first_seqid()
33         range = feature_index.get_range_for_seqid(seqid)
34         diagram = Diagram.from_index(feature_index, seqid, range, style)

36         # create layout

38         layout = Layout(diagram, 600, style)
39         height = layout.get_height()

```

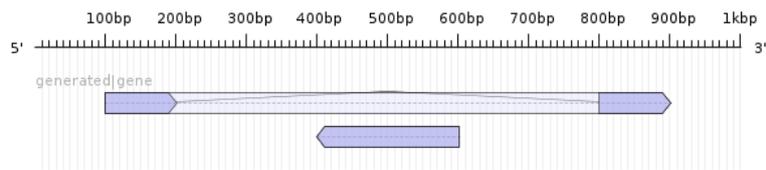


Figure 1.13: Example rendering of user-generated annotations with default style.

```

41  # create canvas
43      canvas = CanvasCairoFile(style, 600, height)
45  # sketch layout on canvas
47      layout.sketch(canvas)
49  # write canvas to file
51      canvas.to_file(pngfile)

```

1.5.2 Using AnnotationSketch to draw user-generated annotations

The following C code example illustrates how to produce an image from annotation graphs created by user code. The result is shown in Fig. 1.13.

C code

(See `src/examples/sketch_constructed.c` in the source distribution.)

```

1  #include "genometools.h"
3  static GtArray* create_example_features(void)
4  {
5      GtArray *features;
6      GtGenomeNode *gene, *exon, *intron; /* features */
7      GtStr *seqid; /* holds the sequence id the features refer to */
9      /* construct the example features */
10     features = gt_array_new(sizeof (GtGenomeNode*));
11     seqid = gt_str_new_cstr("chromosome_21");
13     /* construct a gene on the forward strand with two exons */
14     gene = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "gene", 100, 900, GT_STRAND_FORWARD);
15     exon = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 100, 200, GT_STRAND_FORWARD);
16     gt_feature_node_add_child((GtFeatureNode*) gene, (GtFeatureNode*) exon);
17     intron = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "intron", 201, 799, GT_STRAND_FORWARD);
18     gt_feature_node_add_child((GtFeatureNode*) gene, (GtFeatureNode*) intron);
19     exon = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 800, 900, GT_STRAND_FORWARD);
20     gt_feature_node_add_child((GtFeatureNode*) gene, (GtFeatureNode*) exon);
22     /* store forward gene in feature array */
23     gt_array_add(features, gene);

```

```

25 | /* construct a single-exon gene on the reverse strand
26 |     (within the intron of the forward strand gene) */
27 | gene = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "gene", 400, 600, GT_STRAND_REVERSE);
28 | exon = gt_feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 400, 600, GT_STRAND_REVERSE);
29 | gt_feature_node_add_child((GtFeatureNode*) gene, (GtFeatureNode*) exon);

31 | /* store reverse gene in feature array */
32 | gt_array_add(features, gene);

34 | /* free */
35 | gt_str_delete(seqid);

37 | return features;
38 | }

40 | static void handle_error(GtError *err)
41 | {
42 |     fprintf(stderr, "error writing canvas %s\n", gt_error_get(err));
43 |     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
44 | }

46 | static void draw_example_features(GtArray *features, const char *style_file,
47 |                                 const char *output_file)
48 | {
49 |     GtRange range = { 1, 1000 }; /* the genomic range to draw */
50 |     GtStyle *style;
51 |     GtDiagram *diagram;
52 |     GtLayout *layout;
53 |     GtCanvas *canvas;
54 |     unsigned long height;
55 |     GtError *err = gt_error_new();

57 | /* create style */
58 | if (!(style = gt_style_new(err)))
59 |     handle_error(err);

61 | /* load style file */
62 | if (gt_style_load_file(style, style_file, err))
63 |     handle_error(err);

65 | /* create diagram */
66 | diagram = gt_diagram_new_from_array(features, &range, style);

68 | /* create layout with given width, determine resulting image height */
69 | layout = gt_layout_new(diagram, 600, style, err);
70 | if (!layout)
71 |     handle_error(err);
72 | if (gt_layout_get_height(layout, &height, err))
73 |     handle_error(err);

75 | /* create PNG canvas */
76 | canvas = gt_canvas_cairo_file_new(style, GT_GRAPHICS_PNG, 600, height,
77 |                                 NULL, err);
78 | if (!canvas)
79 |     handle_error(err);

81 | /* sketch layout on canvas */
82 | if (gt_layout_sketch(layout, canvas, err))
83 |     handle_error(err);

85 | /* write canvas to file */
86 | if (gt_canvas_cairo_file_to_file((GtCanvasCairoFile*) canvas, output_file,

```

```

87         err)) {
88     handle_error(err);
89 }

91 /* free */
92 gt_canvas_delete(canvas);
93 gt_layout_delete(layout);
94 gt_diagram_delete(diagram);
95 gt_style_delete(style);
96 gt_error_delete(err);
97 }

99 static void delete_example_features(GtArray *features)
100 {
101     unsigned long i;
102     for (i = 0; i < gt_array_size(features); i++)
103         gt_genome_node_delete(*(GtGenomeNode**) gt_array_get(features, i));
104     gt_array_delete(features);
105 }

107 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
108 {
109     GtArray *features; /* stores the created example features */

111     if (argc != 3) {
112         fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s style_file output_file\n", argv[0]);
113         return EXIT_FAILURE;
114     }

116     gt_lib_init();

118     features = create_example_features();

120     draw_example_features(features, argv[1], argv[2]);

122     delete_example_features(features);

124     gt_lib_clean();
125     return EXIT_SUCCESS;
126 }

```

Lua code

(See `gtscripts/sketch_constructed.lua` in the source distribution. This example can be run by the command line `gt gtscripts/sketch_constructed.lua <style_file> <PNG_file>`)

```

1 function usage()
2     io.stderr:write(string.format("Usage: %s Style_file PNG_file\n", arg[0]))
3     os.exit(1)
4 end

6 if #arg == 2 then
7     style_file = arg[1]
8     png_file   = arg[2]
9 else
10    usage()
11 end

13 -- load style file
14 dofile(style_file)

```

```

16 -- construct the example features
17 seqid = "chromosome_21"
18 nodes = {}

20 -- construct a gene on the forward strand with two exons
21 gene = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "gene", 100, 900, "+")
22 exon = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 100, 200, "+")
23 gene.add_child(exon)
24 intron = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "intron", 201, 799, "+")
25 gene.add_child(intron)
26 exon = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 800, 900, "+")
27 gene.add_child(exon)
28 nodes[1] = gene

30 -- construct a single-exon gene on the reverse strand
31 -- (within the intron of the forward strand gene)
32 reverse_gene = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "gene", 400, 600, "-")
33 reverse_exon = gt.feature_node_new(seqid, "exon", 400, 600, "-")
34 reverse_gene.add_child(reverse_exon)
35 nodes[2] = reverse_gene

37 -- create diagram
38 diagram = gt.diagram_new_from_array(nodes, 1, 1000)
39 layout = gt.layout_new(diagram, 600)
40 height = layout.get_height()

42 -- create canvas
43 canvas = gt.canvas_cairo_file_new_png(600, height, nil)

45 -- sketch layout on canvas
46 layout.sketch(canvas)

48 -- write canvas to file
49 canvas.to_file(png_file)

```

Ruby code

(See `gtruby/sketch_constructed.rb` in the source distribution.)

```

1 require 'gtruby'

3 if ARGV.size != 2 then
4   STDERR.puts "Usage: #{$0} style_file PNG_file"
5   exit(1)
6 end

8 seqid = "chromosome_21"

10 # construct a gene on the forward strand with two exons
11 gene = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "gene", 100, 900, "+")
12 exon = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "exon", 100, 200, "+")
13 gene.add_child(exon)
14 intron = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "intron", 201, 799, "+")
15 gene.add_child(intron)
16 exon = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "exon", 800, 900, "+")
17 gene.add_child(exon)

19 # construct a single-exon gene on the reverse strand
20 # (within the intron of the forward strand gene)

```

```

21 reverse_gene = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "gene", 400, 600, "-")
22 reverse_exon = GT::FeatureNode.create(seqid, "exon", 400, 600, "-")
23 reverse_gene.add_child(reverse_exon)

25 pngfile = ARGV[1]

27 style = GT::Style.new()
28 style.load_file(ARGV[0])

30 rng = GT::Range.new(1, 1000)

32 diagram = GT::Diagram.from_array([gene, reverse_gene], rng, style)

34 layout = GT::Layout.new(diagram, 600, style)
35 canvas = GT::CanvasCairoFile.new(style, 600, layout.get_height, nil)
36 layout.sketch(canvas)

38 canvas.to_file(pngfile)

```

Python code

(See `gtpython/sketch_constructed.py` in the source distribution.)

```

1  #!/usr/bin/python
2  # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-

4  from gt.core import *
5  from gt.extended import *
6  from gt.annotationsketch import *
7  from gt.annotationsketch.custom_track import CustomTrack
8  from gt.core.gtrange import Range
9  import sys

11 if __name__ == "__main__":
12     if len(sys.argv) != 3:
13         sys.stderr.write("Usage: " + (sys.argv)[0] +
14                             " style_file PNG_file\n")
15         sys.exit(1)

17     seqid = "chromosome_21"
18     nodes = []

20     # construct a gene on the forward strand with two exons

22     gene = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "gene", 100, 900, "+")
23     exon = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "exon", 100, 200, "+")
24     gene.add_child(exon)
25     intron = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "intron", 201, 799, "+")
26     gene.add_child(intron)
27     exon = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "exon", 800, 900, "+")
28     gene.add_child(exon)

30     # construct a single-exon gene on the reverse strand
31     # (within the intron of the forward strand gene)

33     reverse_gene = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "gene", 400, 600, "-")
34     reverse_exon = FeatureNode.create_new(seqid, "exon", 400, 600, "-")
35     reverse_gene.add_child(reverse_exon)

37     pngfile = (sys.argv)[2]

```

```
39     style = Style()
40     style.load_file((sys.argv)[1])

42     diagram = Diagram.from_array([gene, reverse_gene], Range(1, 1000),
43                                 style)

45     layout = Layout(diagram, 600, style)
46     height = layout.get_height()
47     canvas = CanvasCairoFile(style, 600, height)
48     layout.sketch(canvas)

50     canvas.to_file(pngfile)
```

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2.1 Sole functions

```
GtORFIterator* gt_orf_iterator_new(GtCodonIterator *ci, GtTranslator
*translator)
```

Return a new GtORFIterator* which detects ORFs.

```
GtORFIteratorStatus gt_orf_iterator_next(GtORFIterator *orf_iterator,
GtRange *orf_rng, unsigned int *orf_frame, GtError *err)
```

Sets the values of `orf_rng.start`, `orf_rng.end` and `orf_frame` to the current reading position of `ci` if START/STOP AA is found. The frame in which the ORF is located is written to the position pointed to by `orf_frame`. This function returns one of three status codes: `GT_ORF_ITERATOR_OK` : an ORF was detected successfully (START/STOP AA pair), `GT_ORF_ITERATOR_END` : no ORF was detected because the end of the scan region has been reached, `GT_ORF_ITERATOR_ERROR` : no ORF was detected because an error occurred during sequence access. See `err` for details.

```
void gt_orf_iterator_delete(GtORFIterator *orf_iterator)
```

Delete `orf_iterator`.

```
int gt_reverse_complement(char *dna_seq, unsigned long seqlen, GtError*)
    reverse dna_seq of length seqlen in place

GtNodeStream* gt_feature_stream_new(GtNodeStream*, GtFeatureIndex*)
    create a FeatureStream which writes to GtFeatureIndex
```

2.2 Class GtAddIntronsStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtAddIntronsStream inserts new feature nodes with type *intron* between existing feature nodes with type *exon*. This is a special case of the GtInterFeatureStream.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_add_introns_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream)
    Create a GtAddIntronsStream* which inserts feature nodes of type intron between
    feature nodes of type exon it retrieves from in_stream and returns them.
```

2.3 Class GtAlphabet

The following type is for storing alphabets.

Methods

```
GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_dna(void)
    Return a GtAlphabet object which represents a DNA alphabet.

GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_protein(void)
    Return a GtAlphabet object which represents a protein alphabet.

GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_empty(void)
    Return an empty GtAlphabet object.

GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_from_file(const char *filename, GtError *err)
    Return a GtAlphabet object, as read from an .all file specified by filename (i.e. no
    all suffix necessary).

GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_from_file_no_suffix(const char *filename,
GtError *err)
    Return a GtAlphabet object, as read from a file specified by filename.

GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_from_string(const char *alphadef, unsigned
long len, GtError *err)
    Return a GtAlphabet object, as read from a string of length len specified by alphadef.
```

`GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_new_from_sequence(const GtStrArray *filenametab, GtError *err)`
Returns a new `GtAlphabet` object by scanning the sequence files in `filenametab` to determine whether they are DNA or protein sequences, and the appropriate alphabet will be used (see `gt_alphabet_guess()`). Returns `NULL` on error, see `err` for details.

`GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_guess(const char *sequence, unsigned long seqlen)`
Try to guess which type the given sequence with length has (DNA or protein) and return an according `GtAlphabet*` object.

`GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_clone(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Return a clone of `alphabet`.

`GtAlphabet* gt_alphabet_ref(GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Increase the reference count for `alphabet` and return it.

`void gt_alphabet_add_mapping(GtAlphabet *alphabet, const char *characters)`
Add the mapping of all given characters to the given alphabet. The first character is the result of subsequent `gt_alphabet_decode()` calls.

`void gt_alphabet_add_wildcard(GtAlphabet *alphabet, char wildcard)`
Add wildcard to the alphabet.

`const GtUchar* gt_alphabet_symbolmap(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns the array of symbols from `alphabet` such that the index of the character equals its encoding.

`unsigned int gt_alphabet_num_of_chars(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns number of characters in `alphabet` (excluding wildcards).

`unsigned int gt_alphabet_size(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns number of characters in `alphabet` (including wildcards).

`const GtUchar* gt_alphabet_characters(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns an array of the characters in `alphabet`.

`GtUchar gt_alphabet_wildcard_show(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns the character used in `alphabet` to represent wildcards in output.

`unsigned int gt_alphabet_bits_per_symbol(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)`
Returns the required number of bits required to represent a symbol in `alphabet`.

`void gt_alphabet_output(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, FILE *fpout)`
Writes a representation of `alphabet` to the file pointer `fpout`.

```

int gt_alphabet_to_file(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, const char
*indexname, GtError *err)
    Writes a representation of alphabet to the .all output file as specified by indexname
    (i.e. without the .all suffix).

void gt_alphabet_to_str(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, GtStr *dest)
    Writes a representation of alphabet to the GtStr as specified by dest.

GtUchar gt_alphabet_pretty_symbol(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, unsigned
int currentchar)
    Returns the printable character specified in alphabet for currentchar.

void gt_alphabet_echo_pretty_symbol(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, FILE
*fpout, GtUchar currentchar)
    Prints the printable character specified in alphabet for currentchar on fpout.

bool gt_alphabet_is_protein(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)
    The following method checks if the given alphabet is the protein alphabet with the
    aminoacids A, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L, M, N, P, Q, R, S, T, V, W, Y written in lower or
    upper case and returns true, if this is the case (false otherwise).

bool gt_alphabet_is_dna(const GtAlphabet *alphabet)
    The following method checks if the given alphabet is the DNA alphabet with the bases
    A, C, G, T written in lower or upper case and returns true, if this is the case (false
    otherwise).

bool gt_alphabet_valid_input(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, char c)
    Returns true if the character c is defined in alphabet.

GtUchar gt_alphabet_encode(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, char c)
    Encode character c with given alphabet. Ensure that c is encodable with the given
    alphabet!

char gt_alphabet_decode(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, GtUchar c)
    Decode character c with given alphabet.

void gt_alphabet_encode_seq(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, GtUchar *out,
const char *in, unsigned long length)
    Encode sequence in of given length with alphabet and store the result in out. in has
    to be encodable with the given alphabet!

void gt_alphabet_decode_seq_to_fp(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, FILE *fpout,
const GtUchar *src, unsigned long len)
    Suppose the string src of length len was transformed according to the alphabet. The
    following method shows each character in src as the printable character specified in the
    transformation. The output is written to the given file pointer fpout.

```

```
void gt_alphabet_decode_seq_to_cstr(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, char
*dest, const GtUchar *src, unsigned long len)
```

Analog to `gt_alphabet_decode_seq_to_fp()` but writing the output to `dest`.

```
GtStr* gt_alphabet_decode_seq_to_str(const GtAlphabet *alphabet, const
GtUchar *src, unsigned long len)
```

Analog to `gt_alphabet_decode_seq_to_fp()` writing the output to a new `GtStr`.

```
void gt_alphabet_delete(GtAlphabet *alphabet)
```

Decrease the reference count for `alphabet` or delete it, if this was the last reference.

2.4 Class GtAnnoDBSchema

The “GtAnnoDBSchema” interface for a database-backed abstract `GtFeatureIndex` factory

Methods

```
GtFeatureIndex* gt_anno_db_schema_get_feature_index(GtAnnoDBSchema
*schema, GtRDB *db, GtError *err)
```

Returns a `GtFeatureIndex` object representing `GtRDB` object `db` interpreted as having schema `schema`. Returns `NULL` if an error occurred, `err` is set accordingly.

```
void gt_anno_db_schema_delete(GtAnnoDBSchema *schema)
```

Deletes `schema` and frees all associated memory.

2.5 Class GtArray

`GtArray` objects are generic arrays for elements of a certain size which grow on demand.

Methods

```
GtArray* gt_array_new(size_t size_of_elem)
```

Return a new `GtArray` object whose elements have the size `size_of_elem`.

```
GtArray* gt_array_ref(GtArray *array)
```

Increase the reference count for `array` and return it. If `array` is `NULL`, `NULL` is returned without any side effects.

```
GtArray* gt_array_clone(const GtArray *array)
```

Return a clone of `array`.

```
void* gt_array_get(const GtArray *array, unsigned long index)
```

Return pointer to element number `index` of `array`. `index` has to be smaller than `gt_array_size(array)`.

```

void* gt_array_get_first(const GtArray *array)
    Return pointer to first element of array.

void* gt_array_get_last(const GtArray *array)
    Return pointer to last element of array.

void* gt_array_pop(GtArray *array)
    Return pointer to last element of array and remove it from array.

void* gt_array_get_space(const GtArray *array)
    Return pointer to the internal space of array where the elements are stored.

#define gt_array_add(array, elem)
    Add element elem to array. The size of elem must equal the given element size when
    the array was created and is determined automatically with the sizeof operator.

void gt_array_add_elem(GtArray *array, void *elem, size_t size_of_elem)
    Add element elem with size size_of_elem to array. size_of_elem must equal the
    given element size when the array was created. Usually, this method is not used directly
    and the macro gt_array_add() is used instead.

void gt_array_add_array(GtArray *dest, const GtArray *src)
    Add all elements of array src to the array dest. The element sizes of both arrays must
    be equal.

void gt_array_rem(GtArray *array, unsigned long index)
    Remove element with number index from array in O(gt_array_size(array)) time.
    index has to be smaller than gt_array_size(array).

void gt_array_rem_span(GtArray *array, unsigned long frompos, unsigned
long topos)
    Remove elements starting with number frompos up to (and including) topos from
    array in O(gt_array_size(array)) time. frompos has to be smaller or equal than
    topos and both have to be smaller than gt_array_size(array).

void gt_array_reverse(GtArray *array)
    Reverse the order of the elements in array.

void gt_array_set_size(GtArray *array, unsigned long size)
    Set the size of array to size. size must be smaller or equal than
    gt_array_size(array).

void gt_array_reset(GtArray *array)
    Reset the array. That is, afterwards the array has size 0.

size_t gt_array_elem_size(const GtArray *array)
    Return the size of the elements stored in array.

```

```

unsigned long gt_array_size(const GtArray *array)
    Return the number of elements in array. If array equals NULL, 0 is returned.

void gt_array_sort(GtArray *array, GtCompare compar)
    Sort array with the given compare function compar.

void gt_array_sort_stable(GtArray *array, GtCompare compar)
    Sort array in a stable way with the given compare function compar.

void gt_array_sort_with_data(GtArray *array, GtCompareWithData compar,
void *data)
    Sort array with the given compare function compar. Passes a pointer with userdata
    data to compar.

void gt_array_sort_stable_with_data(GtArray *array, GtCompareWithData
compar, void *data)
    Sort array in a stable way with the given compare function compar. Passes a pointer
    with userdata data to compar.

int gt_array_cmp(const GtArray *array_a, const GtArray *array_b)
    Compare the content of array_a with the content of array_b. array_a and array_b
    must have the same gt_array_size() and gt_array_elem_size().

void gt_array_delete(GtArray *array)
    Decrease the reference count for array or delete it, if this was the last reference.

```

2.6 Class GtArrayOutputStream

```

GtNodeStream* gt_array_out_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, GtArray
*nodes, GtError *err)

```

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. GtArrayOutputStream takes GtGenomeNodes of tpe GtFeatureNode from in_stream and adds them to the array nodes. This stream can be used to obtain nodes for processing outside the usual stream flow

2.7 Class GtBEDInStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtBEDInStream allows one to parse a BED file and return it as a stream of GtGenomeNode objects.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_bed_in_stream_new(const char *filename)`

Return a `GtBEDInStream` object which subsequently reads the BED file with the given filename. If filename equals NULL, the BED data is read from `stdin`.

`void gt_bed_in_stream_set_feature_type(GtBEDInStream *bed_in_stream, const char *type)`

Create BED features parsed by `bed_in_stream` with given type (instead of the default "BED_feature").

`void gt_bed_in_stream_set_thick_feature_type(GtBEDInStream *bed_in_stream, const char *type)`

Create thick BED features parsed by `bed_in_stream` with given type (instead of the default "BED_thick_feature").

`void gt_bed_in_stream_set_block_type(GtBEDInStream *bed_in_stream, const char *type)`

Create BED blocks parsed by `bed_in_stream` with given type (instead of the default "BED_block").

2.8 Class GtBittab

Implements arbitrary-length bit arrays and various operations on them.

Methods

`GtBittab* gt_bittab_new(unsigned long num_of_bits)`

Return a new `GtBittab` of length `num_of_bits`, initialised to 0.

`void gt_bittab_set_bit(GtBittab *bittab, unsigned long i)`

Set bit `i` in `bittab` to 1.

`void gt_bittab_unset_bit(GtBittab *bittab, unsigned long i)`

Set bit `i` in `bittab` to 0.

`void gt_bittab_complement(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b)`

Set `bittab_a` to be the complement of `bittab_b`.

`void gt_bittab_equal(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b)`

Set `bittab_a` to be equal to `bittab_b`.

`void gt_bittab_and(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b, const GtBittab *bittab_c)`

Set `bittab_a` to be the bitwise AND of `bittab_b` and `bittab_c`.

```

void gt_bittab_or(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b, const
GtBittab *bittab_c)
    Set bittab_a to be the bitwise OR of bittab_b and bittab_c.
void gt_bittab_nand(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b, const
GtBittab *bittab_c)
    Set bittab_a to be bittab_b NAND bittab_c.
void gt_bittab_and_equal(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b)
    Set bittab_a to be the bitwise AND of bittab_a and bittab_b.
void gt_bittab_or_equal(GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b)
    Set bittab_a to be the bitwise OR of bittab_a and bittab_b.
void gt_bittab_shift_left_equal(GtBittab *bittab)
    Shift bittab by one position to the left.
void gt_bittab_shift_right_equal(GtBittab *bittab)
    Shift bittab by one position to the right.
void gt_bittab_unset(GtBittab *bittab)
    Set all bits in bittab to 0.
void gt_bittab_show(const GtBittab *bittab, FILE *fp)
    Output a representation of bittab to fp.
void gt_bittab_get_all_bitnums(const GtBittab *bittab, GtArray *array)
    Fill array with the indices of all set bits in bittab.
bool gt_bittab_bit_is_set(const GtBittab *bittab, unsigned long i)
    Return true if bit i is set in bittab.
bool gt_bittab_cmp(const GtBittab *bittab_a, const GtBittab *bittab_b)
    Return true if bittab_a and bittab_b are identical.
unsigned long gt_bittab_get_first_bitnum(const GtBittab *bittab)
    Return the index of the first set bit in bittab.
unsigned long gt_bittab_get_last_bitnum(const GtBittab *bittab)
    Return the index of the last set bit in bittab.
unsigned long gt_bittab_get_next_bitnum(const GtBittab *bittab, unsigned
long i)
    Return the index of the next set bit in bittab with an index greater than i.
unsigned long gt_bittab_count_set_bits(const GtBittab *bittab)
    Return the number of set bits in bittab.
unsigned long gt_bittab_size(GtBittab *bittab)
    Return the total number of bits of bittab.

```

```
void gt_bittab_delete(GtBittab *bittab)
```

Delete bittab.

2.9 Class GtBlock

The GtBlock class represents a portion of screen space which relates to a specific “top-level” feature (and maybe its collapsed child features). It is the smallest layoutable unit in Annotation-Sketch and has a caption (which may be displayed above the block rendering).

Methods

```
GtBlock* gt_block_new(void)
```

Creates a new GtBlock object.

```
GtBlock* gt_block_ref(GtBlock*)
```

Increases the reference count.

```
GtBlock* gt_block_new_from_node(GtFeatureNode *node)
```

Create a new GtBlock object, setting block parameters (such as strand, range) from a given node template.

```
GtRange gt_block_get_range(const GtBlock*)
```

Returns the base range of the GtBlock’s top level element.

```
GtRange* gt_block_get_range_ptr(const GtBlock *block)
```

Returns a pointer to the base range of the GtBlock’s top level element.

```
bool gt_block_has_only_one_fullsize_element(const GtBlock*)
```

Checks whether a GtBlock is occupied completely by a single element.

```
void gt_block_merge(GtBlock*, GtBlock*)
```

Merges the contents of two GtBlocks into the first one.

```
GtBlock* gt_block_clone(GtBlock*)
```

Returns an independent copy of a GtBlock.

```
void gt_block_set_caption_visibility(GtBlock*, bool)
```

Set whether a block caption should be displayed or not.

```
bool gt_block_caption_is_visible(const GtBlock*)
```

Returns whether a block caption should be displayed or not.

```
void gt_block_set_caption(GtBlock*, GtStr *caption)
```

Sets the GtBlock’s caption to caption.

```
GtStr* gt_block_get_caption(const GtBlock*)
```

Returns the GtBlock’s caption.

```
void gt_block_set_strand(GtBlock*, GtStrand strand)
    Sets the GtBlock's strand to strand.

GtStrand gt_block_get_strand(const GtBlock*)
    Returns the GtBlock's strand.

GtFeatureNode* gt_block_get_top_level_feature(const GtBlock*)
    Returns the GtBlock's top level feature as a GtFeatureNode object.

unsigned long gt_block_get_size(const GtBlock*)
    Returns the number of elements in the GtBlock.

const char* gt_block_get_type(const GtBlock*)
    Returns the feature type of the GtBlock.

void gt_block_delete(GtBlock*)
    Deletes a GtBlock.
```

2.10 Class GtCDSStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtCDSStream determines the coding sequence (CDS) for sequences determined by feature nodes of type *exon* and adds them as feature nodes of type *CDS*.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_cds_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, GtRegionMapping
*region_mapping, unsigned int minorflen, const char *source, bool
start_codon, bool final_stop_codon, bool generic_start_codons)
```

Create a GtCDSStream* which determines the coding sequence (CDS) for sequences determined by feature nodes of type *exon* it retrieves from *in_stream*, adds them as feature nodes of type *CDS* and returns all nodes. *region_mapping* is used to map the sequence IDs of the feature nodes to the regions of the actual sequences. *minorflen* is the minimum length an ORF must have in order to be added. The CDS features are created with the given *source*. If *start_codon* equals true an ORF must begin with a start codon, otherwise it can start at any position. If *final_stop_codon* equals true the final ORF must end with a stop codon. If *generic_start_codons* equals true, the start codons of the standard translation scheme are used as start codons (otherwise the amino acid 'M' is regarded as a start codon).

2.11 Class GtCSAStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtCSAStream takes spliced alignments and transforms them into consensus spliced alignments.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_csa_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, unsigned long join_length)`

Create a `GtCSAStream*` which takes spliced alignments from its `in_stream` (which are at most `join_length` many bases apart), transforms them into consensus spliced alignments, and returns them.

2.12 Class GtCanvas

The `GtCanvas` class is an abstraction of a stateful drawing surface. Constructors must be implemented in subclasses as different arguments are required for drawing to specific graphics back-ends.

Methods

`unsigned long gt_canvas_get_height(GtCanvas *canvas)`

Returns the height of the given canvas.

`void gt_canvas_delete(GtCanvas *canvas)`

Delete the given canvas.

2.13 Class GtCanvasCairoContext

Implements the `GtCanvas` interface using a Cairo context (`cairo_t`) as input. This Canvas uses the `GtGraphicsCairo` class.

Drawing to a `cairo_t` allows the use of the *AnnotationSketch* engine in any Cairo-based graphical application.

Methods

`GtCanvas* gt_canvas_cairo_context_new(GtStyle *style, cairo_t *context, double offsetpos, unsigned long width, unsigned long height, GtImageInfo *image_info, GtError *err)`

Create a new `GtCanvas` object tied to the `cairo_t` context, `width` and `height` using the given `style`. The optional `image_info` is filled when the created Canvas object is used to render a `GtDiagram` object. `offsetpos` determines where to start drawing on the surface.

2.14 Class GtCanvasCairoFile

Implements the `GtCanvas` interface. This Canvas uses the `GtGraphicsCairo` class.

Methods

```
GtCanvas* gt_canvas_cairo_file_new(GtStyle *style, GtGraphicsOutType
output_type, unsigned long width, unsigned long height, GtImageInfo
*image_info, GtError *err)
```

Create a new `GtCanvasCairoFile` object with given `output_type` and `width` using the configuration given in `style`. The optional `image_info` is filled when the created object is used to render a `GtDiagram` object. Possible `GtGraphicsOutType` values are `GRAPHICS_PNG`, `GRAPHICS_PS`, `GRAPHICS_PDF` and `GRAPHICS_SVG`. Dependent on the local Cairo installation, not all of them may be available.

```
int gt_canvas_cairo_file_to_file(GtCanvasCairoFile *canvas, const char
*filename, GtError *err)
```

Write rendered canvas to the file with name `filename`. If this method returns a value other than 0, check `err` for an error message.

```
int gt_canvas_cairo_file_to_stream(GtCanvasCairoFile *canvas, GtStr
*stream)
```

Append rendered canvas image data to given `stream`.

2.15 Class GtCodonIterator

the “codon iterator” interface

Methods

```
unsigned long gt_codon_iterator_current_position(GtCodonIterator *ci)
```

Return the current reading offset of `ci`, starting from the position in the sequence given at iterator instantiation time.

```
unsigned long gt_codon_iterator_length(GtCodonIterator *ci)
```

Return the length of the substring to scan, given at instantiation time.

```
void gt_codon_iterator_rewind(GtCodonIterator *ci)
```

Rewind the iterator to point again to the position in the sequence given at iterator instantiation time.

```
GtCodonIteratorStatus gt_codon_iterator_next(GtCodonIterator *ci, char
*n1, char *n2, char *n3, unsigned int *frame, GtError *err)
```

Sets the values of `n1`, `n2` and `n3` to the codon beginning at the current reading position of `ci` and then advances the reading position by one. The current reading frame shift (0, 1 or 2) is for the current codon is written to the position pointed to by `frame`. This function returns one of three status codes: `GT_CODON_ITERATOR_OK` : a codon was read successfully, `GT_CODON_ITERATOR_END` : no codon was read because the end of the scan region has been reached, `GT_CODON_ITERATOR_ERROR` : no codon was read because an error occurred during sequence access. See `err` for details.

```
void gt_codon_iterator_delete(GtCodonIterator *ci)
    Delete ci.
```

2.16 Class GtColor

The GtColor class holds a RGB color definition.

Methods

```
GtColor* gt_color_new(double red, double green, double blue, double
alpha)
    Create a new GtColor object with the color given by the red, green, and blue argu-
ments. The value for each color channel must be between 0 and 1.

void gt_color_set(GtColor *color, double red, double green, double blue,
double alpha)
    Change the color of the color object to the color given by the red, green, and blue
arguments. The value for each color channel must be between 0 and 1.

bool gt_color_equals(const GtColor *c1, const GtColor *c2)
    Returns true if the colors c1 and c2 are equal.

void gt_color_delete(GtColor *color)
    Delete the color object.
```

2.17 Class GtCommentNode

Implements the GtGenomeNode interface. Comment nodes correspond to comment lines in GFF3 files (i.e., lines which start with a single “#”).

Methods

```
GtGenomeNode* gt_comment_node_new(const char *comment)
    Return a new GtCommentNode object representing a comment. Please note that the single
leading “#” which denotes comment lines in GFF3 files should not be part of comment.

const char* gt_comment_node_get_comment(const GtCommentNode *comment_node)
    Return the comment stored in comment_node.
```

2.18 Class GtCstrTable

Implements a table of C strings.

Methods

`GtCstrTable* gt_cstr_table_new(void)`

Return a new `GtCstrTable` object.

`void gt_cstr_table_add(GtCstrTable *table, const char *cstr)`

Add `cstr` to `table`. `table` must not already contain `cstr`!

`const char* gt_cstr_table_get(const GtCstrTable *table, const char *cstr)`

If a C string equal to `cstr` is contained in `table`, it is returned. Otherwise `NULL` is returned.

`GtStrArray* gt_cstr_table_get_all(const GtCstrTable *table)`

Return a `GtStrArray*` which contains all `cstrs` added to `table` in alphabetical order. The caller is responsible to free it!

`void gt_cstr_table_remove(GtCstrTable *table, const char *cstr)`

Remove `cstr` from `table`.

`void gt_cstr_table_reset(GtCstrTable *table)`

Reset `table` (that is, remove all contained C strings).

`void gt_cstr_table_delete(GtCstrTable *table)`

Delete C string `table`.

2.19 Class GtCustomTrack

The `GtCustomTrack` interface allows the `GtCanvas` to call user-defined drawing functions on a `GtGraphics` object. Please refer to the specific implementations' documentation for more information on a particular custom track.

Methods

`GtCustomTrack* gt_custom_track_ref(GtCustomTrack *ctrack)`

Increase the reference count for `ctrack`.

`void gt_custom_track_delete(GtCustomTrack *ctrack)`

Delete the given `ctrack`.

2.20 Class GtCustomTrackGcContent

Implements the `GtCustomTrack` interface. This custom track draws a plot of the GC content of a given sequence in the displayed range. As a window size for GC content calculation, `window_size` is used.

Methods

```
GtCustomTrack* gt_custom_track_gc_content_new(const char *seq, unsigned
long seqlen, unsigned long windowsize, unsigned long height, double avg,
bool show_scale)
```

Creates a new `GtCustomTrackGcContent` for sequence `seq` with length `seqlen` of height `height` with windowsize `windowsize`. A horizontal line is drawn for the percentage value `avg`, with `avg` between 0 and 1. If `show_scale` is set to true, then a vertical scale rule is drawn at the left end of the curve.

2.21 Class GtCustomTrackScriptWrapper

Implements the `GtCustomTrack` interface. This custom track is only used to store pointers to external callbacks, e.g. written in a scripting language. This class does not store any state, relying on the developer of the external custom track class to do so.

Methods

```
GtCustomTrack* gt_custom_track_script_wrapper_new(GtCtScriptRenderFunc
render_func, GtCtScriptGetHeightFunc get_height_func,
GtCtScriptGetTitleFunc get_title_func, GtCtScriptFreeFunc free_func)
```

Creates a new `GtCustomTrackScriptWrapper` object.

2.22 Class GtDiagram

The `GtDiagram` class acts as a representation of a sequence annotation diagram independent of any output format. Besides annotation features as annotation graphs, it can contain one or more custom tracks. A individual graphical representation of the `GtDiagram` contents is created by creating a `GtLayout` object using the `GtDiagram` and then calling `gt_layout_sketch()` with an appropriate `GtCanvas` object.

Methods

```
GtDiagram* gt_diagram_new(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index, const char
*seqid, const GtRange *range, GtStyle *style, GtError*)
```

Create a new `GtDiagram` object representing the feature nodes in `feature_index` in region `seqid` overlapping with `range`. The `GtStyle` object `style` will be used to determine collapsing options during the layout process.

```
GtDiagram* gt_diagram_new_from_array(GtArray *features, const GtRange
*range, GtStyle *style)
```

Create a new `GtDiagram` object representing the feature nodes in `features`. The features must overlap with `range`. The `GtStyle` object `style` will be used to determine collapsing options during the layout process.

`GtRange gt_diagram_get_range(const GtDiagram *diagram)`
 Returns the sequence position range represented by the diagram.

`void gt_diagram_set_track_selector_func(GtDiagram*, GtTrackSelectorFunc, void*)`
 Assigns a `GtTrackSelectorFunc` to use to assign blocks to tracks. If none is set, or set to `NULL`, then track types are used as track keys (default behavior).

`void gt_diagram_reset_track_selector_func(GtDiagram *diagram)`
 Resets the track selection behavior of this `GtDiagram` back to the default.

`void gt_diagram_add_custom_track(GtDiagram*, GtCustomTrack*)`
 Registers a new custom track in the diagram.

`void gt_diagram_delete(GtDiagram*)`
 Delete the diagram and all its components.

2.23 Class GtDlist

A double-linked list which is sorted according to a `GtCompare` compare function (qsort(3)-like, only if one was supplied to the constructor).

Methods

`GtDlist* gt_dlist_new(GtCompare compar)`
 Return a new `GtDlist` object sorted according to `compar` function. If `compar` equals `NULL`, no sorting is enforced.

`GtDlistelem* gt_dlist_first(const GtDlist *dlist)`
 Return the first `GtDlistelem` object in `dlist`.

`GtDlistelem* gt_dlist_last(const GtDlist *dlist)`
 Return the last `GtDlistelem` object in `dlist`.

`GtDlistelem* gt_dlist_find(const GtDlist *dlist, void *data)`
 Return the first `GtDlistelem` object in `dlist` which contains data identical to `data`. Takes $O(n)$ time.

`unsigned long gt_dlist_size(const GtDlist *dlist)`
 Return the number of `GtDlistelem` objects in `dlist`.

`void gt_dlist_add(GtDlist *dlist, void *data)`
 Add a new `GtDlistelem` object containing `data` to `dlist`. Usually $O(n)$, but $O(1)$ if `data` is added in sorted order.

`void gt_dlist_remove(GtDlist *dlist, GtDlistelem *dlistelem)`
 Remove `dlistelem` from `dlist` and free it.

```
int gt_dlist_example(GtError *err)
    Example for usage of the GtDlist class.
void gt_dlist_delete(GtDlist *dlist)
    Delete dlist.
```

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```
GtDlistelem* gt_dlistelem_next(const GtDlistelem *dlistelem)
    Return the successor of dlistelem, or NULL if the element is the last one in the
    GtDlist.
GtDlistelem* gt_dlistelem_previous(const GtDlistelem *dlistelem)
    Return the predecessor of dlistelem, or NULL if the element is the first one in the
    GtDlist.
void* gt_dlistelem_get_data(const GtDlistelem *dlistelem)
    Return the data pointer attached to dlistelem.
```

2.25 Class GtEOFNode

Implements the GtGenomeNode interface. EOF nodes mark the barrier between separate input files in an GFF3 stream.

Methods

```
GtGenomeNode* gt_eof_node_new(void)
    Create a new GtEOFNode* representing an EOF marker.
```

2.26 Class GtEncseq

The GtEncseq class represents a concatenated collection of sequences from one or more input files in a bit-compressed encoding. It is stored in a number of `mmap()`able files, depending on which features it is meant to support. The main compressed sequence information is stored in an *encoded sequence* table, with the file suffix `.esq`. This table is the minimum requirement for the GtEncseq structure and must always be present. In addition, if support for multiple sequences is desired, a *sequence separator position* table with the `.ssp` suffix is required. If support for sequence descriptions is required, two additional tables are needed: a *description* table with the suffix `.des` and a *description separator* table with the file suffix `.sds`. Creation and requirement of these tables can be switched on and off using API functions as outlined below. The GtEncseq represents the stored sequences as one concatenated string. It allows access to the sequences by providing start positions and lengths for each sequence, making it possible to extract encoded substrings into a given buffer, as well as accessing single characters both in a random and a sequential fashion.

Methods

`const char* gt_encseq_indexname(const GtEncseq *encseq)`
Returns the indexname (as given at loading time) of `encseq` or "generated" if the `GtEncseq` was build in memory only.

`unsigned long gt_encseq_total_length(const GtEncseq *encseq)`
Returns the total number of characters in all sequences of `encseq`, including separators and wildcards.

`unsigned long gt_encseq_num_of_sequences(const GtEncseq *encseq)`
Returns the total number of sequences contained in `encseq`.

`GtUchar gt_encseq_get_encoded_char(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long pos, GtReadmode readmode)`
Returns the encoded representation of the character at position `pos` of `encseq` read in the direction as indicated by `readmode`.

`char gt_encseq_get_decoded_char(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long pos, GtReadmode readmode)`
Returns the decoded representation of the character at position `pos` of `encseq` read in the direction as indicated by `readmode`.

`bool gt_encseq_position_is_separator(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long pos, GtReadmode readmode)`
Returns true iff `pos` is a separator position of `encseq` read in the direction as indicated by `readmode`.

`GtEncseq* gt_encseq_ref(GtEncseq *encseq)`
Increases the reference count of `encseq`.

`GtEncseqReader* gt_encseq_create_reader_with_readmode(const GtEncseq *encseq, GtReadmode readmode, unsigned long startpos)`
Returns a new `GtEncseqReader` for `encseq`, starting from position `startpos`. Also supports reading the sequence from the reverse and delivering (reverse) complement characters on DNA alphabets using the `readmode` option. Please make sure that the `GT_READMODE_COMPL` and `GT_READMODE_REVCOMPL` readmodes are only used on DNA alphabets.

`void gt_encseq_extract_encoded(const GtEncseq *encseq, GtUchar *buffer, unsigned long frompos, unsigned long topos)`
Returns the encoded representation of the substring from position `frompos` to position `topos` of `encseq`. The result is written to the location pointed to by `buffer`, which must be large enough to hold the result.

```

void gt_encseq_extract_decoded(const GtEncseq *encseq, char *buffer,
unsigned long frompos, unsigned long topos)
    Returns the decoded version of the substring from position frompos to position topos
    of encseq. The result is written to the location pointed to by buffer, which must be
    large enough to hold the result.

unsigned long gt_encseq_seqlength(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long
seqnum)
    Returns the length of the seqnum-th sequence in the encseq. Requires multiple sequence
    support enabled in encseq.

unsigned long gt_encseq_min_seq_length(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns the length of the shortest sequence in the encseq.

unsigned long gt_encseq_max_seq_length(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns the length of the longest sequence in the encseq.

bool gt_encseq_has_multiseq_support(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns true if encseq has multiple sequence support.

bool gt_encseq_has_description_support(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns true if encseq has description support.

bool gt_encseq_has_md5_support(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns true if encseq has MD5 support.

unsigned long gt_encseq_seqstartpos(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long
seqnum)
    Returns the start position of the seqnum-th sequence in the encseq. Requires multiple
    sequence support enabled in encseq.

unsigned long gt_encseq_seqnum(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long
position)
    Returns the sequence number from the given position for a given GtEncseq encseq.

const char* gt_encseq_description(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long
*desclen, unsigned long seqnum)
    Returns a pointer to the description of the seqnum-th sequence in the encseq. The length
    of the returned string is written to the location pointed at by desclen. The returned de-
    scription pointer is not \0-terminated! Requires description support enabled in encseq.

const GtStrArray* gt_encseq_filenames(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns a GtStrArray of the names of the original sequence files contained in encseq.

unsigned long gt_encseq_num_of_files(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns the number of files contained in encseq.

```

```
uint64_t gt_encseq_effective_filelength(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned
long filenum)
    Returns the effective length (sum of sequence lengths and separators between them) of
    the filenum-th file contained in encseq.
```

```
unsigned long gt_encseq_filestartpos(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned
long filenum)
    Returns the start position of the sequences of the filenum-th file in the encseq. Re-
    quires multiple file support enabled in encseq.
```

```
unsigned long gt_encseq_filenum(const GtEncseq *encseq, unsigned long
position)
    Returns the file number from the given position for a given GtEncseq encseq.
```

```
GtAlphabet* gt_encseq_alphabet(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns the GtAlphabet associated with encseq.
```

```
int gt_encseq_mirror(GtEncseq *encseq, GtError *err)
    Extends encseq by virtual reverse complement sequences. Returns 0 if mirroring has
    been successfully enabled, otherwise -1. err is set accordingly.
```

```
void gt_encseq_unmirror(GtEncseq *encseq)
    Removes virtual reverse complement sequences added by gt_encseq_mirror().
```

```
bool gt_encseq_is_mirrored(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns true if encseq contains virtual reverse complement sequences as added by
    gt_encseq_mirror().
```

```
unsigned long gt_encseq_version(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns the version number of the file representation of encseq if it exists, or 0 if it was
    not mapped from a file.
```

```
bool gt_encseq_is_64_bit(const GtEncseq *encseq)
    Returns TRUE if encseq was created on a 64-bit system.
```

```
void gt_encseq_delete(GtEncseq *encseq)
    Deletes encseq and frees all associated space.
```

2.27 Class GtEncseqBuilder

The GtEncseqBuilder class creates GtEncseq objects by constructing uncompressed, encoded string copies in memory.

Methods

- `GtEncseqBuilder* gt_encseq_builder_new(GtAlphabet *alpha)`
Creates a new `GtEncseqBuilder` using the alphabet `alpha` as a basis for on-the-fly encoding of sequences in memory.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_enable_description_support(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Requires additional memory to hold the descriptions and a position index. Activated by default.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_disable_description_support(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Disables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Disabling this support will result in an error when trying to call the method `gt_encseq_description()` on the `GtEncseq` object created by `eb`.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_enable_multiseq_support(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Requires additional memory for an index of starting positions. Activated by default.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_disable_multiseq_support(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Disables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Disabling this support will result in an error when trying to call the method `gt_encseq_seqlength()` or `gt_encseq_seqstartpos()` on the `GtEncseq` object created by `eb`.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_create_esq_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables creation of the `.esq` table containing the encoded sequence itself. Naturally, enabled by default.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_do_not_create_esq_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Disables creation of the `.esq` table.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_create_des_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables creation of the `.des` table containing sequence descriptions.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_do_not_create_des_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Disables creation of the `.des` table.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_create_ssp_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables creation of the `.ssp` table containing indexes for multiple sequences.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_do_not_create_ssp_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Disables creation of the `.ssp` table.
- `void gt_encseq_builder_create_sds_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)`
Enables creation of the `.sds` table containing indexes for sequence descriptions.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_do_not_create_sds_tab(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)
```

Disables creation of the .sds table.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_add_cstr(GtEncseqBuilder *eb, const char *str,  
unsigned long strlen, const char *desc)
```

Adds a sequence given as a C string `str` of length `strlen` to the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Additionally, a description can be given (`desc`). If description support is enabled, this must not be `NULL`. A copy will be made during the addition process and the sequence will be encoded using the alphabet set at the construction time of `eb`. Thus it must only contain symbols compatible with the alphabet.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_add_str(GtEncseqBuilder *eb, GtStr *str, const  
char *desc)
```

Adds a sequence given as a `GtStr` `str` to the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. Additionally, a description can be given. If description support is enabled, `desc` must not be `NULL`. A copy will be made during the addition process and the sequence will be encoded using the alphabet set at the construction time of `eb`. Thus it must only contain symbols compatible with the alphabet.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_add_encoded(GtEncseqBuilder *eb, const GtUchar  
*str, unsigned long strlen, const char *desc)
```

Adds a sequence given as a pre-encoded string `str` of length `strlen` to the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. `str` must be encoded using the alphabet set at the construction time of `eb`. Does not take ownership of `str`. Additionally, a description `desc` can be given. If description support is enabled, this must not be `NULL`.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_add_encoded_own(GtEncseqBuilder *eb, const GtUchar  
*str, unsigned long strlen, const char *desc)
```

Adds a sequence given as a pre-encoded string `str` of length `strlen` to the encoded sequence to be built by `eb`. `str` must be encoded using the alphabet set at the construction time of `eb`. Always creates a copy of `str`, so it can be used with memory that is to be freed immediately after adding. Additionally, a description `desc` can be given. If description support is enabled, this must not be `NULL`.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_set_logger(GtEncseqBuilder*, GtLogger *l)
```

Sets the logger to use by `ee` during encoding to `l`. Default is `NULL` (no logging).

```
GtEncseq* gt_encseq_builder_build(GtEncseqBuilder *eb, GtError *err)
```

Creates a new `GtEncseq` from the sequences added to `eb`. Returns a `GtEncseq` instance on success, or `NULL` on error. If an error occurred, `err` is set accordingly. The state of `eb` is reset to empty after successful creation of a new `GtEncseq` (like having called `gt_encseq_builder_reset()`).

```
void gt_encseq_builder_reset(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)
```

Clears all added sequences and descriptions, resetting `eb` to a state similar to the state immediately after its initial creation.

```
void gt_encseq_builder_delete(GtEncseqBuilder *eb)
```

Deletes eb.

2.28 Class GtEncseqEncoder

The GtEncseqEncoder class creates objects encapsulating a parameter set for conversion from sequence files into encoded sequence files on secondary storage.

Methods

```
GtEncseqEncoder* gt_encseq_encoder_new(void)
```

Creates a new GtEncseqEncoder.

```
void gt_encseq_encoder_set_timer(GtEncseqEncoder *ee, GtTimer *t)
```

Sets t to be the timer for ee. Default is NULL (no progress reporting).

```
GtTimer* gt_encseq_encoder_get_timer(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
```

Returns the timer set for ee.

```
int gt_encseq_encoder_use_representation(GtEncseqEncoder *ee, const char *sat, GtError *err)
```

Sets the representation of ee to sat which must be one of 'direct', 'bytecompress', 'bit', 'uchar', 'ushort' or 'uint32'. Returns 0 on success, and a negative value on error (err is set accordingly).

```
GtStr* gt_encseq_encoder_representation(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
```

Returns the representation requested for ee.

```
int gt_encseq_encoder_use_symbolmap_file(GtEncseqEncoder *ee, const char *smap, GtError *err)
```

Sets the symbol map file to use in ee to smap which must be a valid alphabet description file. Returns 0 on success, and a negative value on error (err is set accordingly). Default is NULL (no alphabet transformation).

```
const char* gt_encseq_encoder_symbolmap_file(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
```

Returns the symbol map file requested for ee.

```
void gt_encseq_encoder_set_logger(GtEncseqEncoder *ee, GtLogger *l)
```

Sets the logger to use by ee during encoding to l. Default is NULL (no logging).

```
void gt_encseq_encoder_enable_description_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
```

Enables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence encoded by ee. That is, the .des and .sds tables are created. This is a prerequisite for being able to activate description support in gt_encseq_loader_require_description_support(). Activated by default.

```

void gt_encseq_encoder_disable_description_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence encoded by ee. That is, the .des and .sds tables are not created. Encoded sequences created without this support will not be able to be loaded via a GtEncseqLoader with gt_encseq_loader_require_description_support() enabled.

void gt_encseq_encoder_enable_multiseq_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence encoded by ee. That is, the .ssp table is created. This is a prerequisite for being able to activate description support in gt_encseq_loader_require_multiseq_support(). Activated by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_disable_multiseq_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence encoded by ee. That is, the .ssp table is not created. Encoded sequences created without this support will not be able to be loaded via a GtEncseqLoader with gt_encseq_loader_require_multiseq_support() enabled.

void gt_encseq_encoder_enable_lossless_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables support for lossless reproduction of the original sequence, regardless of alphabet transformations that may apply. Deactivated by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_disable_lossless_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables support for lossless reproduction of the original sequence, regardless of alphabet transformations that may apply. Encoded sequences created without this support will not be able to be loaded via a GtEncseqLoader with gt_encseq_loader_require_lossless_support() enabled.

void gt_encseq_encoder_enable_md5_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables support for quick MD5 indexing of the sequences in ee. Activated by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_disable_md5_support(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables support for quick MD5 indexing of the sequences in ee. Encoded sequences created without this support will not be able to be loaded via a GtEncseqLoader with gt_encseq_loader_require_md5_support() enabled.

void gt_encseq_encoder_create_des_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables creation of the .des table containing sequence descriptions. Enabled by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_do_not_create_des_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables creation of the .des table.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_des_tab_requested(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the creation of the .des table has been requested, false otherwise.

void gt_encseq_encoder_create_ssp_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables creation of the .ssp table containing indexes for multiple sequences. Enabled by default.

```

```

void gt_encseq_encoder_do_not_create_ssp_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables creation of the .ssp table.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_ssp_tab_requested(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the creation of the .ssp table has been requested, false otherwise.

void gt_encseq_encoder_create_sds_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables creation of the .sds table containing indexes for sequence descriptions. Enabled
    by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_do_not_create_sds_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables creation of the .sds table.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_sds_tab_requested(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the creation of the .sds table has been requested, false otherwise.

void gt_encseq_encoder_create_md5_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Enables creation of the .md5 table containing MD5 sums. Enabled by default.

void gt_encseq_encoder_do_not_create_md5_tab(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Disables creation of the .md5 table.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_md5_tab_requested(const GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the creation of the .md5 table has been requested, false otherwise.

void gt_encseq_encoder_set_input_dna(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Sets the sequence input type for ee to DNA.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_is_input_dna(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the input sequence has been defined as being DNA.

void gt_encseq_encoder_set_input_protein(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Sets the sequence input type for ee to protein/amino acids.

bool gt_encseq_encoder_is_input_protein(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Returns true if the input sequence has been defined as being protein.

int gt_encseq_encoder_encode(GtEncseqEncoder *ee, GtStrArray *seqfiles,
    const char *indexname, GtError *err)
    Encodes the sequence files given in seqfiles using the settings in ee and indexname
    as the prefix for the index tables. Returns 0 on success, or a negative value on error (err
    is set accordingly).

void gt_encseq_encoder_delete(GtEncseqEncoder *ee)
    Deletes ee.

```

2.29 Class GtEncseqLoader

The GtEncseqLoader class creates GtEncseq objects by mapping index files from secondary storage into memory.

Methods

GtEncseqLoader* `gt_encseq_loader_new(void)`

Creates a new GtEncseqLoader.

void `gt_encseq_loader_enable_autosupport(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Enables auto-discovery of supported features when loading an encoded sequence. That is, if a file with `indexname.suffix` exists which is named like a table file, it is loaded automatically. Use `gt_encseq_has_multiseq_support()` etc. to query for these capabilities.

void `gt_encseq_loader_disable_autosupport(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Disables auto-discovery of supported features.

void `gt_encseq_loader_require_description_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Enables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence to be loaded by `e1`. That is, the `.des` and `.sds` tables must be present. For example, these tables are created by having enabled the `gt_encseq_encoder_enable_description_support()` option when encoding. Activated by default.

void `gt_encseq_loader_drop_description_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Disables support for retrieving descriptions from the encoded sequence to be loaded by `e1`. That is, the `.des` and `.sds` tables need not be present. However, disabling this support will result in an error when trying to call the method `gt_encseq_description()` on the GtEncseq object created by `e1`.

void `gt_encseq_loader_require_multiseq_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Enables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence to be loaded by `e1`. That is, the `.ssp` table must be present. For example, this table is created by having enabled the `gt_encseq_encoder_enable_multiseq_support()` option when encoding. Activated by default.

void `gt_encseq_loader_drop_multiseq_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)`

Disables support for random access to multiple sequences in the encoded sequence to be loaded by `e1`. That is, the `.ssp` table needs not be present. However, disabling this support will result in an error when trying to call the method `gt_encseq_seqlength()` and `gt_encseq_seqstartpos()` on the GtEncseq object created by `e1`.

```

void gt_encseq_loader_require_lossless_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Enables support for lossless reproduction of the original sequence in the encoded sequence to be loaded by e1. That is, the .ois table must be present. For example, this table is created by having enabled the gt_encseq_encoder_enable_lossless_support() option when encoding. Deactivated by default.

void gt_encseq_loader_drop_lossless_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Disables support for lossless reproduction of the original sequence in the encoded sequence to be loaded by e1. That is, the .ois table needs not be present. However, disabling this support may result in a reduced alphabet representation when accessing decoded characters.

void gt_encseq_loader_require_md5_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Enables support for quick retrieval of the MD5 sums for the sequences in the encoded sequence to be loaded by e1. That is, the .md5 table must be present. For example, this table is created by having enabled the gt_encseq_encoder_enable_md5_support() option when encoding. Activated by default.

void gt_encseq_loader_drop_md5_support(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Disables support for quick retrieval of the MD5 sums for the sequences in the encoded sequence to be loaded by e1. That is, the .md5 table needs not be present.

void gt_encseq_loader_require_des_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Requires presence of the .des table containing sequence descriptions. Enabled by default.

void gt_encseq_loader_do_not_require_des_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Disables requirement of the .des table for loading a GtEncseq using e1.

bool gt_encseq_loader_des_tab_required(const GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Returns true if a .des table must be present for loading to succeed.

void gt_encseq_loader_require_ssp_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Requires presence of the .ssp table containing indexes for multiple sequences. Enabled by default.

void gt_encseq_loader_do_not_require_ssp_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Disables requirement of the .ssp table for loading a GtEncseq using e1.

bool gt_encseq_loader_ssp_tab_required(const GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Returns true if a .ssp table must be present for loading to succeed.

void gt_encseq_loader_require_sds_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Requires presence of the .sds table containing indexes for sequence descriptions. Enabled by default.

void gt_encseq_loader_do_not_require_sds_tab(GtEncseqLoader *e1)
    Disables requirement of the .sds table for loading a GtEncseq using e1.

```

```

bool gt_encseq_loader_sds_tab_required(const GtEncseqLoader *el)
    Returns true if a .sds table must be present for loading to succeed.

void gt_encseq_loader_set_logger(GtEncseqLoader *el, GtLogger *l)
    Sets the logger to use by ee during encoding to l. Default is NULL (no logging).

void gt_encseq_loader_mirror(GtEncseqLoader *el)
    Enables loading of a sequence using el with mirroring enabled from the start. Identical
    to invoking gt_encseq_mirror() directly after loading.

void gt_encseq_loader_do_not_mirror(GtEncseqLoader *el)
    Disables loading of a sequence using el with mirroring enabled right from the start.

GtEncseq* gt_encseq_loader_load(GtEncseqLoader *el, const char
*indexname, GtError *err)
    Attempts to map the index files as specified by indexname using the options set in el
    using this interface. Returns a GtEncseq instance on success, or NULL on error. If an
    error occurred, err is set accordingly.

void gt_encseq_loader_delete(GtEncseqLoader *el)
    Deletes el.

```

2.30 Class GtEncseqReader

The GtEncseqReader class represents the current state of a sequential scan of a GtEncseq region as an iterator.

Methods

```

void gt_encseq_reader_reinit_with_readmode(GtEncseqReader *esr, const
GtEncseq *encseq, GtReadmode readmode, unsigned long startpos)
    Reinitializes the given esr with the values as described in
    gt_encseq_create_reader_with_readmode().

GtUchar gt_encseq_reader_next_encoded_char(GtEncseqReader *esr)
    Returns the next encoded character from current position of esr, advancing the iterator
    by one position.

char gt_encseq_reader_next_decoded_char(GtEncseqReader *esr)
    Returns the next decoded character from current position of esr, advancing the iterator
    by one position.

void gt_encseq_reader_delete(GtEncseqReader *esr)
    Deletes esr, freeing all associated space.

```

2.31 Class GtError

This class is used for the handling of **user errors** in *GenomeTools*. Thereby, the actual GtError object is used to store the *error message* while it is signaled by the return value of the called function, if an error occurred.

By convention in *GenomeTools*, the GtError object is always passed into a function as the last parameter and -1 (or NULL for constructors) is used as return value to indicate that an error occurred. Success is usually indicated by 0 as return value or via a non-NULL object pointer for constructors.

It is possible to use NULL as an GtError object, if one is not interested in the actual error message.

Functions which do not get an GtError object cannot fail due to a user error and it is not necessary to check their return code for an error condition.

Methods

```
GtError* gt_error_new(void)
```

Return a new GtError object

```
#define gt_error_check(err)
```

Insert an assertion to check that the error err is not set or is NULL. This macro should be used at the beginning of every routine which has an GtError* argument to make sure the error propagation has been coded correctly.

```
void gt_error_set(GtError *err, const char *format, ...)
```

Set the error message stored in err according to format (as in printf(3)).

```
void gt_error_vset(GtError *err, const char *format, va_list ap)
```

Set the error message stored in err according to format (as in vprintf(3)).

```
void gt_error_set_nonvariadic(GtError *err, const char *msg)
```

Set the error message stored in err to msg.

```
bool gt_error_is_set(const GtError *err)
```

Return true if the error err is set, false otherwise.

```
void gt_error_unset(GtError *err)
```

Unset the error err.

```
const char* gt_error_get(const GtError *err)
```

Return the error string stored in err (the error must be set).

```
void gt_error_delete(GtError *err)
```

Delete the error object err.

2.32 Class GtExtractFeatureStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtExtractFeatureStream extracts the corresponding sequences of features.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_extract_feature_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream,  
GtRegionMapping *region_mapping, const char *type, bool join, bool  
translate, bool seqid, bool target, unsigned long width, GtFile *outfp)
```

Create a GtExtractFeatureStream* which extracts the corresponding sequences of feature nodes (of the given type) it retrieves from in_stream and writes them in FASTA format (with the given width) to outfp. If join is true, features of the given type are joined together before the sequence is extracted. If translate is true, the sequences are translated into amino acid sequences before they are written to outfp. If seqid is true the sequence IDs of the extracted features are added to the FASTA header. If target is true the target IDs of the extracted features are added to the FASTA header. Takes ownership of region_mapping!

2.33 Class GtFeatureIndex

This interface represents a searchable container for GtFeatureNode objects, typically root nodes of larger structures. How storage and searching takes place is left to the discretion of the implementing class.

Output from a gt_feature_index_get_features_*() method should always be sorted by feature start position.

Methods

```
int gt_feature_index_add_region_node(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index,  
GtRegionNode *region_node, GtError *err)
```

Add region_node to feature_index.

```
int gt_feature_index_add_feature_node(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index,  
GtFeatureNode *feature_node, GtError *err)
```

Add feature_node to feature_index, associating it with a sequence region denoted by its identifier string.

```
int gt_feature_index_remove_node(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index,  
GtFeatureNode *node, GtError *err)
```

Removes node genome_node from feature_index.

```
int gt_feature_index_add_gff3file(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index, const
char *gff3file, GtError *err)
    Add all features contained in gff3file to feature_index, if gff3file is valid. Otherwise, feature_index is not changed and err is set.
```

```
GtArray* gt_feature_index_get_features_for_seqid(GtFeatureIndex*, const
char *seqid, GtError *err)
    Returns an array of GtFeatureNodes associated with a given sequence region identifier seqid.
```

```
int gt_feature_index_get_features_for_range(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index,
GtArray *results, const char *seqid, const GtRange *range, GtError*)
    Look up genome features in feature_index for sequence region seqid in range and store them in results.
```

```
char* gt_feature_index_get_first_seqid(const GtFeatureIndex
*feature_index, GtError *err)
    Returns the first sequence region identifier added to feature_index.
```

```
GtStrArray* gt_feature_index_get_seqids(const GtFeatureIndex
*feature_index, GtError *err)
    Returns a GtStrArray of all sequence region identifiers contained in feature_index (in alphabetical order).
```

```
int gt_feature_index_get_range_for_seqid(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index,
GtRange *range, const char *seqid, GtError *err)
    Writes the range of all features contained in the feature_index for region identifier seqid to the GtRange pointer range.
```

```
int gt_feature_index_has_seqid(const GtFeatureIndex *feature_index, bool
*has_seqid, const char *seqid, GtError *err)
    Returns has_seqid to true if the sequence region identified by seqid has been registered in the feature_index.
```

```
int gt_feature_index_save(GtFeatureIndex *feature_index, GtError *err)
    TODO: document me
```

```
void gt_feature_index_delete(GtFeatureIndex*)
    Deletes the feature_index and all its referenced features.
```

2.34 Class GtFeatureIndexMemory

The GtFeatureIndexMemory class implements a GtFeatureIndex in memory. Features are organized by region node. Each region node collects its feature nodes in an interval tree structure, which allows for efficient range queries.

Methods

`GtFeatureIndex* gt_feature_index_memory_new(void)`

Creates a new `GtFeatureIndexMemory` object.

`GtFeatureNode* gt_feature_index_memory_get_node_by_ptr(GtFeatureIndexMemory*, GtFeatureNode *ptr, GtError *err)`

Returns `ptr` if it is a valid node indexed in `GtFeatureIndexMemory`. Otherwise `NULL` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

2.35 Class GtFeatureNode

Implements the `GtGenomeNode` interface. A single feature node corresponds to a GFF3 feature line (i.e., a line which does not start with #). Part-of relationships (which are realized in GFF3 with the `Parent` and `ID` attributes) are realized in the C API with the `gt_feature_node_add_child()` method.

Besides the “mere” feature nodes two “special” feature nodes exist: multi-features and pseudo-features.

Multi-features represent features which span multiple lines (it is indicated in GFF3 files by the fact, that each line has the same `ID` attribute).

To check if a feature is a multi-feature use the method `gt_feature_node_is_multi()`. Multi-features are connected via a “representative”. That is, two features are part of the same multi-feature if they have the same representative. The feature node representative can be retrieved via the `gt_feature_node_get_multi_representative()` method.

Pseudo-features became a technical necessity to be able to pass related top-level features as a single entity through the streaming machinery. There are two cases in which a pseudo-feature has to be introduced.

First, if a multi-feature has no parent. In this case all features which comprise the multi-feature become the children of a pseudo-feature.

Second, if two or more top-level features have the same children (and are thereby connected). In this case all these top-level features become the children of a pseudo-feature.

It should be clear from the explanation above that pseudo-features make only sense as top-level features (a fact which is enforced in the code).

Pseudo-features are typically ignored during a traversal to give the illusion that they do not exist.

Methods

`GtGenomeNode* gt_feature_node_new(GtStr *seqid, const char *type, unsigned long start, unsigned long end, GtStrand strand)`

Return a new `GtFeatureNode` object on sequence with ID `seqid` and type `type` which lies from `start` to `end` on strand `strand`. The `GtFeatureNode*` stores a new reference to `seqid`, so make sure you do not modify the original `seqid` afterwards! `start` and `end` always refer to the forward strand, therefore `start` has to be smaller or equal than `end`.

`GtGenomeNode* gt_feature_node_new_pseudo(GtStr *seqid, unsigned long start, unsigned long end, GtStrand strand)`

Return a new pseudo-`GtFeatureNode` object on sequence with ID `seqid` which lies from `start` to `end` on strand `strand`. Pseudo-features do not have a type. The `<GtFeatureNode >` stores a new reference to `seqid`, so make sure you do not modify the original `seqid` afterwards. `start` and `end` always refer to the forward strand, therefore `start` has to be smaller or equal than `end`.

`GtGenomeNode* gt_feature_node_new_pseudo_template(GtFeatureNode *feature_node)`

Return a new pseudo-`GtFeatureNode` object which uses `feature_node` as template. That is, the sequence ID, range, strand, and source are taken from `feature_node`.

`GtGenomeNode* gt_feature_node_new_standard_gene(void)`

Return the “standard gene” (mainly for testing purposes).

`void gt_feature_node_add_child(GtFeatureNode *parent, GtFeatureNode *child)`

Add child feature node to parent feature node. `parent` takes ownership of `child`.

`const char* gt_feature_node_get_source(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)`

Return the source of `feature_node`. If no source has been set, “.” is returned. Corresponds to column 2 of GFF3 feature lines.

`void gt_feature_node_set_source(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, GtStr *source)`

Set the source of `feature_node`. Stores a new reference to `source`. Corresponds to column 2 of GFF3 feature lines.

`bool gt_feature_node_has_source(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)`

Return true if `feature_node` has a defined source (i.e., on different from “.”). false otherwise.

`const char* gt_feature_node_get_type(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)`

Return the type of `feature_node`. Corresponds to column 3 of GFF3 feature lines.

```

void gt_feature_node_set_type(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, const char
*type)
    Set the type of feature_node to type.

bool gt_feature_node_has_type(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, const char
*type)
    Return true if feature_node has given type, false otherwise.

unsigned long gt_feature_node_number_of_children(const GtFeatureNode
*feature_node)
    Return the number of children for given feature_node.

unsigned long gt_feature_node_number_of_children_of_type(const
GtFeatureNode *parent, const GtFeatureNode *node)
    Return the number of children of type node for given GtFeatureNode parent.

bool gt_feature_node_score_is_defined(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
    Return true if the score of feature_node is defined, false otherwise.

float gt_feature_node_get_score(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
    Return the score of feature_node. The score has to be defined. Corresponds to column
6 of GFF3 feature lines.

void gt_feature_node_set_score(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, float score)
    Set the score of feature_node to score.

void gt_feature_node_unset_score(GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
    Unset the score of feature_node.

GtStrand gt_feature_node_get_strand(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
    Return the strand of feature_node. Corresponds to column 7 of GFF3 feature lines.

void gt_feature_node_set_strand(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, GtStrand
strand)
    Set the strand of feature_node to strand.

GtPhase gt_feature_node_get_phase(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
    Return the phase of feature_node. Corresponds to column 8 of GFF3 feature lines.

void gt_feature_node_set_phase(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, GtPhase phase)
    Set the phase of feature_node to phase.

const char* gt_feature_node_get_attribute(const GtFeatureNode
*feature_node, const char *name)
    Return the attribute of feature_node with the given name. If no such attribute has been
added, NULL is returned. The attributes are stored in column 9 of GFF3 feature lines.

```

```
GtStrArray* gt_feature_node_get_attribute_list(const GtFeatureNode
*feature_node)
```

Return a string array containing the used attribute names of `feature_node`. The caller is responsible to free the returned `GtStrArray*`.

```
void gt_feature_node_add_attribute(GtFeatureNode *feature_node, const char
*tag, const char *value)
```

Add attribute `tag=value` to `feature_node`. `tag` and `value` must at least have length 1. `feature_node` must not contain an attribute with the given `tag` already. You should not add Parent and ID attributes, use `gt_feature_node_add_child()` to denote part-of relationships.

```
void gt_feature_node_set_attribute(GtFeatureNode* feature_node, const char
*tag, const char *value)
```

Set attribute `tag` to new value in `feature_node`, if it exists already. Otherwise the attribute `tag=value` is added to `feature_node`. `tag` and `value` must at least have length 1. You should not set Parent and ID attributes, use `gt_feature_node_add_child()` to denote part-of relationships.

```
void gt_feature_node_remove_attribute(GtFeatureNode* feature_node, const
char *tag)
```

Remove attribute `tag` from `feature_node`. `feature_node` must contain an attribute with the given `tag` already! You should not remove Parent and ID attributes.

```
bool gt_feature_node_is_multi(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Return true if `feature_node` is a multi-feature, false otherwise.

```
bool gt_feature_node_is_pseudo(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Return true if `feature_node` is a pseudo-feature, false otherwise.

```
void gt_feature_node_make_multi_representative(GtFeatureNode
*feature_node)
```

Make `feature_node` the representative of a multi-feature. Thereby `feature_node` becomes a multi-feature.

```
void gt_feature_node_set_multi_representative(GtFeatureNode *feature_node,
GtFeatureNode *representative)
```

Set the multi-feature representative of `feature_node` to `representative`. Thereby `feature_node` becomes a multi-feature.

```
void gt_feature_node_unset_multi(GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Unset the multi-feature status of `feature_node` and remove its multi-feature representative.

```
GtFeatureNode* gt_feature_node_get_multi_representative(GtFeatureNode
*feature_node)
```

Return the representative of the multi-feature `feature_node`.

```
bool gt_feature_node_is_similar(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node_a, const
GtFeatureNode *feature_node_b)
```

Returns true, if the given `feature_node_a` has the same `seqid`, `feature type`, `range`, `strand`, and `phase` as `feature_node_b`. Returns false otherwise.

```
void gt_feature_node_mark(GtFeatureNode*)
```

Marks the given `feature_node`.

```
void gt_feature_node_unmark(GtFeatureNode*)
```

If the given `feature_node` is marked it will be unmarked.

```
bool gt_feature_node_contains_marked(GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Returns true if the given `feature_node` graph contains a marked node.

```
bool gt_feature_node_is_marked(const GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Returns true if the (top-level) `feature_node` is marked.

2.36 Class GtFeatureNodeIterator

```
GtFeatureNodeIterator* gt_feature_node_iterator_new(const GtFeatureNode
*feature_node)
```

Return a new `GtFeatureNodeIterator*` which performs a depth-first traversal of `feature_node` (including `feature_node` itself). It ignores pseudo-features.

```
GtFeatureNodeIterator* gt_feature_node_iterator_new_direct(const
GtFeatureNode *feature_node)
```

Return a new `GtFeatureNodeIterator*` which iterates over all direct children of `feature_node` (without `feature_node` itself).

```
GtFeatureNode* gt_feature_node_iterator_next(GtFeatureNodeIterator
*feature_node_iterator)
```

Return the next `GtFeatureNode*` in `feature_node_iterator` or NULL if none exists.

```
void gt_feature_node_iterator_delete(GtFeatureNodeIterator
*feature_node_iterator)
```

Delete `feature_node_iterator`.

2.37 Class GtFile

This class defines (generic) files in *GenomeTools*. A generic file is a file which either uncompressed or compressed (with `gzip` or `bzip2`). A NULL-pointer as generic file implies `stdout`.

Methods

`GtFile* gt_file_new(const char *path, const char *mode, GtError *err)`
Return a new `GtFile` object for the given path and open the underlying file handle with given mode. Returns `NULL` and sets `err` accordingly, if the file path could not be opened. The compression mode is determined by the ending of path (gzip compression if it ends with `'.gz'`, bzip2 compression if it ends with `'.bz2'`, and uncompressed otherwise).

`void gt_file_xprintf(GtFile *file, const char *format, ...)`
`printf(3)` for generic file.

`void gt_file_xfputs(const char *cstr, GtFile *file)`
Write `\0`-terminated C string `cstr` to file. Similar to `fputs(3)`, but terminates on error.

`int gt_file_xfgetc(GtFile *file)`
Return next character from file or EOF, if end-of-file is reached.

`int gt_file_xread(GtFile *file, void *buf, size_t nbytes)`
Read up to `nbytes` from generic file and store result in `buf`, returns bytes read.

`void gt_file_xwrite(GtFile *file, void *buf, size_t nbytes)`
Write `nbytes` from `buf` to given generic file.

`void gt_file_xrewind(GtFile *file)`
Rewind the generic file.

`void gt_file_delete(GtFile *file)`
Close the underlying file handle and destroy the file object.

2.38 Class GtGFF3InStream

Implements the `GtNodeStream` interface. A `GtGFF3InStream` parses GFF3 files and returns them as a stream of `GtGenomeNode` objects.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_gff3_in_stream_new_unsorted(int num_of_files, const char **filenames)`
Return a `GtGFF3InStream` object which subsequently reads the `num_of_files` many GFF3 files denoted in `filenames`. The GFF3 files do not have to be sorted. If `num_of_files` is 0 or a file name is `""`, it is read from `stdin`. The memory footprint is $O(\text{file size})$ in the worst-case.

`GtNodeStream* gt_gff3_in_stream_new_sorted(const char *filename)`
Create a `GtGFF3InStream*` which reads the sorted GFF3 file denoted by `filename`. If `filename` is `NULL`, it is read from `stdin`. The memory footprint is $O(1)$ on average.

```
void gt_gff3_in_stream_check_id_attributes(GtGFF3InStream *gff3_in_stream)
    Make sure all ID attributes which are parsed by gff3_in_stream are correct. Increases
    the memory footprint to O(file size).
```

```
void gt_gff3_in_stream_enable_tidy_mode(GtGFF3InStream *gff3_in_stream)
    Enable tidy mode for gff3_in_stream. That is, the GFF3 parser tries to tidy up features
    which would normally lead to an error.
```

```
void gt_gff3_in_stream_show_progress_bar(GtGFF3InStream *gff3_in_stream)
    Show progress bar on stdout to convey the progress of parsing the GFF3 files underlying
    gff3_in_stream.
```

2.39 Class GtGFF3OutputStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtGFF3OutputStream produces GFF3 output. It automatically inserts termination lines at the appropriate places.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_gff3_out_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, GtFile
*outfp)
    Create a GtGFF3OutputStream* which uses in_stream as input. It shows the nodes passed
    through it as GFF3 on outfp.
```

```
void gt_gff3_out_stream_set_fasta_width(GtGFF3OutputStream *gff3_out_stream,
unsigned long fasta_width)
    Set the width with which the FASTA sequences of GtSequenceNodes passed through
    gff3_out_stream are shown to fasta_width. Per default, each FASTA entry is shown
    on a single line.
```

```
void gt_gff3_out_stream_retain_id_attributes(GtGFF3OutputStream
*gff3_out_stream)
    If this method is called upon gff3_out_stream, use the original ID attributes provided
    in the input (instead of creating new ones, which is the default). Memory consumption
    for gff3_out_stream is raised from O(1) to O(input_size), because bookkeeping of
    used IDs becomes necessary to avoid ID collisions.
```

2.40 Class GtGFF3Parser

A GtGFF3Parser can be used to parse GFF3 files and convert them into GtGenomeNode objects. If the GFF3 files do not contain the encouraged sequence-region meta directives, the GFF3 parser introduces the corresponding region nodes automatically. This is a low-level class and it is usually not used directly. Normally, a GtGFF3InStream is used to parse GFF3 files.

Methods

`GtGFF3Parser* gt_gff3_parser_new(GtTypeChecker *type_checker)`
Return a new `GtGFF3Parser` object with optional `type_checker`. If a `type_checker` was given, the `GtGFF3Parser` stores a new reference to it internally and uses the `type_checker` to check types during parsing.

`void gt_gff3_parser_check_id_attributes(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)`
Enable ID attribute checking in `gff3_parser`. Thereby, the memory consumption of the `gff3_parser` becomes proportional to the input file size(s).

`void gt_gff3_parser_check_region_boundaries(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)`
Enable sequence region boundary checking in `gff3_parser`. That is, encountering features outside the sequence region boundaries will result in an error.

`void gt_gff3_parser_do_not_check_region_boundaries(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)`
Disable sequence region boundary checking in `gff3_parser`. That is, features outside the sequence region boundaries will be permitted.

`void gt_gff3_parser_set_offset(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser, long offset)`
Transform all features parsed by `gff3_parser` by the given `offset`.

`void gt_gff3_parser_set_type_checker(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser, GtTypeChecker *type_checker)`
Set `type_checker` used by `gff3_parser`.

`void gt_gff3_parser_enable_tidy_mode(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)`
Enable the tidy mode in `gff3_parser`. In tidy mode the `gff3_parser` parser tries to tidy up features which would normally lead to a parse error.

`int gt_gff3_parser_parse_genome_nodes(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser, int *status_code, GtQueue *genome_nodes, GtCstrTable *used_types, GtStr *filenamestr, unsigned long long *line_number, GtFile *fpin, GtError *err)`
Use `gff3_parser` to parse genome nodes from file pointer `fpin`. `status_code` is set to 0 if at least one genome node was created (and stored in `genome_nodes`) and to EOF if no further genome nodes could be parsed from `fpin`. Every encountered (genome feature) type is recorded in the C string table `used_types`. The parser uses the given `filenamestr` to store the file name of `fpin` in the created genome nodes or to give the correct filename in error messages, if necessary. `line_number` is increased accordingly during parsing and has to be set to 0 before parsing a new `fpin`. If an error occurs during parsing this method returns -1 and sets `err` accordingly.

`void gt_gff3_parser_reset(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)`
Reset the `gff3_parser` (necessary if the input file is switched).

```
void gt_gff3_parser_delete(GtGFF3Parser *gff3_parser)
```

Delete the gff3_parser.

2.41 Class GtGFF3Visitor

Implements the GtNodeVisitor interface with a visitor that produces GFF3 output. This is a low-level class and it is usually not used directly. Normally, a GtGFF3OutputStream is used to produce GFF3 output.

Methods

```
GtNodeVisitor* gt_gff3_visitor_new(GtFile *outfp)
```

Create a new GtNodeVisitor* which writes the output it produces to the given output file pointer outfp. If outfp is NULL, the output is written to stdout.

```
void gt_gff3_visitor_set_fasta_width(GtGFF3Visitor *gff3_visitor, unsigned long fasta_width)
```

Set the width with which the FASTA sequences of GtSequenceNodes visited by gff3_visitor are shown to fasta_width. Per default, each FASTA entry is shown on a single line.

```
void gt_gff3_visitor_retain_id_attributes(GtGFF3Visitor *gff3_visitor)
```

Retain the original ID attributes (instead of creating new ones), if possible. Memory consumption for gff3_visitor is raised from O(1) to O(input_size), because book-keeping of used IDs becomes necessary to avoid ID collisions.

2.42 Class GtGTFInStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtGTFInStream parses a GTF2.2 file and returns it as a stream of GtGenomeNode objects.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_gtf_in_stream_new(const char *filename)
```

Create a GtGTFInStream* which subsequently reads the GTF file with the given filename. If filename equals NULL, the GTF data is read from stdin.

2.43 Class GtGTFOutputStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtGTFOutputStream produces GTF2.2 output.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_gtf_out_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, GtFile *outfp)`

Create a `GtNodeStream*` which uses `in_stream` as input. It shows the nodes passed through it as GTF2.2 on `outfp`.

2.44 Class GtGenomeNode

The `GtGenomeNode` interface. The different implementation of the `GtGenomeNode` interface represent different parts of genome annotations (as they are usually found in GFF3 files).

Methods

`GtGenomeNode* gt_genome_node_ref(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Increase the reference count for `genome_node` and return it. `genome_node` cannot be NULL.

`GtStr* gt_genome_node_get_seqid(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Return the sequence ID of `genome_node`. Corresponds to column 1 of GFF3 feature lines.

`GtRange gt_genome_node_get_range(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Return the genomic range of `genome_node`. Corresponds to columns 4 and 5 of GFF3 feature lines.

`unsigned long gt_genome_node_get_start(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Return the start of `genome_node`. Corresponds to column 4 of GFF3 feature lines.

`unsigned long gt_genome_node_get_end(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Return the end of `genome_node`. Corresponds to column 5 of GFF3 feature lines.

`unsigned long gt_genome_node_get_length(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)`

Return the length of `genome_node`. Computed from column 4 and 5 of GFF3 feature lines.

`const char* gt_genome_node_get_filename(const GtGenomeNode* genome_node)`

Return the filename the `genome_node` was read from. If the node did not originate from a file, an appropriate string is returned.

`unsigned int gt_genome_node_get_line_number(const GtGenomeNode*)`

Return the line of the source file the `genome_node` was encountered on (if the node was read from a file, otherwise 0 is returned).

`void gt_genome_node_set_range(GtGenomeNode *genome_node, const GtRange *range)`

Set the genomic range of `genome_node` to given range.

```
void gt_genome_node_add_user_data(GtGenomeNode *genome_node, const char
*key, void *data, GtFree free_func)
    Attach a pointer to data to the genome_node using a given string as key. free_func is
    the optional destructor for data.
```

```
void* gt_genome_node_get_user_data(const GtGenomeNode *genome_node, const
char *key)
    Return the pointer attached to the genome_node for a given key.
```

```
void gt_genome_node_release_user_data(GtGenomeNode *genome_node, const
char *key)
    Call the destructor function associated with the user data attached to genome_node under
    the key on the attached data.
```

```
int gt_genome_node_cmp(GtGenomeNode *genome_node_a, GtGenomeNode
*genome_node_b)
    Compare genome_node_a with genome_node_b and return the result (similar to
    strcmp(3)). This method is the criterion used to sort genome nodes.
```

```
void gt_genome_nodes_sort(GtArray *nodes)
    Sort node array nodes
```

```
void gt_genome_nodes_sort_stable(GtArray *nodes)
    Sort node array nodes in a stable way
```

```
int gt_genome_node_accept(GtGenomeNode *genome_node, GtNodeVisitor
*node_visitor, GtError *err)
    Let genome_node accept the node_visitor. In the case of an error, -1 is returned and
    err is set accordingly.
```

```
void gt_genome_node_delete(GtGenomeNode *genome_node)
    Decrease the reference count for genome_node or delete it, if this was the last reference.
```

2.45 Class GtGraphics

The GtGraphics interface acts as a low-level abstraction of a drawing surface. It is used as a common drawing object in GtCanvas and GtCustomTrack implementations and supports a variety of drawing operations for both text and basic primitive shapes.

Methods

`void gt_graphics_draw_text(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, const char*)`

Draws text in black to the right of (x,y). The coordinate y is used as a baseline.

`void gt_graphics_draw_text_clip(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, const char*)`

Draws text in black to the right of (x,y). The coordinate y is used as a baseline. If the text exceeds the margins, it is clipped.

`#define gt_graphics_draw_text_left(g,x,y,t)`

Synonym to `gt_graphics_draw_text()`

`void gt_graphics_draw_text_centered(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, const char*)`

Draws text in black centered at (x,y). The coordinate y is used as a baseline.

`void gt_graphics_draw_text_right(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, const char*)`

Draws text in black to the left of (x,y). The coordinate y is used as a baseline.

`void gt_graphics_draw_colored_text(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, GtColor, const char*)`

Draws text in a given `GtColor` to the right of (x,y). The coordinate y is used as a baseline.

`double gt_graphics_get_text_height(GtGraphics*)`

Returns the height of a capital letter in pixels/points.

`int gt_graphics_set_background_color(GtGraphics*, GtColor)`

Sets the background color of the `GtGraphics` to a specific color. Note that this may only be supported for bitmap output formats.

`double gt_graphics_get_text_width(GtGraphics*, const char *text)`

Returns the width of the given string in pixels/points.

`void gt_graphics_set_font(GtGraphics *g, const char *family, FontSlant slant, FontWeight weight, double size)`

Sets basic font family, slant and weight options. Font families are implementation-specific, e.g. in Cairo there is no operation to list available family names on the system, but the standard CSS2 generic family names, ("serif", "sans-serif", "cursive", "fantasy", "monospace"), are likely to work as expected.

`double gt_graphics_get_image_width(GtGraphics*)`

Returns the width of the image in pixels/points.

`double gt_graphics_get_image_height(GtGraphics*)`

Returns the height of the image in pixels/points.

```
void gt_graphics_set_margins(GtGraphics*, double margin_x, double
margin_y)
```

Set margins (space to the image boundaries that are clear of elements) in the graphics. `margin_x` denotes the Margin to the left and right, in pixels. `margin_y` denotes the Margin to the top and bottom, in pixels.

```
double gt_graphics_get_xmargins(GtGraphics*)
```

Returns the horizontal margins in pixels/points.

```
double gt_graphics_get_ymargins(GtGraphics*)
```

Returns the vertical margins in pixels/points.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_horizontal_line(GtGraphics *g, double x, double y,
GtColor color, double width, double stroke_width)
```

Draws a horizontal line of length `width` beginning at the given coordinates to the right in the color `color` with stroke width `stroke_width`.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_vertical_line(GtGraphics *g, double x, double y,
GtColor color, double length, double stroke_width)
```

Draws a vertical line of length `length` beginning at the given coordinates downwards in the color `color` with stroke width `stroke_width`.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_line(GtGraphics *g, double x, double y, double xto,
double yto, GtColor color, double stroke_width)
```

Draws a line beginning at `(x,y)` to `(xto,yto)` in the color `color` with stroke width `stroke_width`.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_box(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, double width,
double height, GtColor fill_color, ArrowStatus arrow_status, double
arrow_width, double stroke_width, GtColor stroke_color, bool dashed)
```

Draws a arrow-like box glyph at `(x,y)` where these are the top left coordinates. The box extends `width` pixels (incl. arrowhead) into the `x` direction and `height` pixels into the `y` direction. It will be filled with `fill_color` and stroked with width `stroke_width` and color `stroke_color`. The width of the arrowhead is given by the `arrow_width` parameter. The `arrow_status` parameter determines whether an arrowhead will be drawn at the left or right end, both ends, or none. If `dashed` is set to true, then the outline will be dashed instead of solid.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_dashes(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, double
width, double height, ArrowStatus arrow_status, double arrow_width,
double stroke_width, GtColor stroke_color)
```

Draws a transparent box with a dashed line at the center at `(x,y)` (where these are the top left coordinates). The box extends `width` pixels (incl. arrowhead) into the `x` direction and `height` pixels into the `y` direction. It will be stroked with width `stroke_width` and color `stroke_color`. The width of the arrowhead is given by the `arrow_width` parameter. The `arrow_status` parameter determines whether an arrowhead will be drawn at the left or right end, both ends, or none.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_caret(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, double
width, double height, ArrowStatus arrow_status, double arrow_width,
double stroke_width, GtColor stroke_color)
```

Draws a caret (“hat”) style glyph at (x,y) (where these are the top left coordinates). The box extends width pixels (incl. arrowhead) into the x direction and height pixels into the y direction. It will be stroked with width stroke_width and color stroke_color. The width of the arrowhead is given by the arrow_width parameter. The arrow_status parameter determines whether an arrowhead will be drawn at the left or right end, both ends, or none.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_rectangle(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, bool
filled, GtColor fill_color, bool stroked, GtColor stroke_color, double
stroke_width, double width, double height)
```

Draws a rectangle at (x,y) where these are the top left coordinates. The rectangle extends width pixels (incl. arrowhead) into the x direction and height pixels into the y direction. It will be filled with fill_color if filled is set to true and stroked with width stroke_width and color stroke_color if stroked is set to true.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_arrowhead(GtGraphics*, double x, double y, GtColor,
ArrowStatus arrow_status)
```

Draws an arrowhead at (x,y) where these are the top left coordinates. The direction is determined by the arrow_status parameter.

```
void gt_graphics_draw_curve_data(GtGraphics *g, double x, double y,
GtColor color, double data[], unsigned long ndata, GtRange valrange,
unsigned long height)
```

Draws a curve over the full visible image width (without margins) at (x,y) where these are the top left coordinates. As input, the array of double values data with ndata data points is used. The valrange gives the minimum and maximum value of the displayed data. If a value outside the data range is encountered, the drawing will be stopped at this data point.

```
int gt_graphics_save_to_file(const GtGraphics*, const char *filename,
GtError*)
```

Write out the GtGraphics object to the given file with filename.

```
void gt_graphics_save_to_stream(const GtGraphics*, GtStr *stream)
```

Write out the GtGraphics object to the given stream.

```
void gt_graphics_delete(GtGraphics*)
```

Deletes the the GtGraphics object.

2.46 Class GtHashMap

A hashmap allowing to index any kind of pointer (as a value). As keys, strings or any other pointer can be used.

Methods

`GtHashmap* gt_hashmap_new(GtHashType keyhashtype, GtFree keyfree, GtFree valuefree)`

Creates a new `GtHashmap` object of type `keyhashtype`. If `keyfree` and/or `valuefree` are given, they will be used to free the hashmap members when the `GtHashmap` is deleted. `keyhashtype` defines how to hash the keys given when using the `GtHashmap`. `GT_HASH_DIRECT` uses the key pointer as a basis for the hash function. Equal pointers will refer to the same value. If `GT_HASH_STRING` is used, the keys will be evaluated as strings and keys will be considered equal if the strings are identical, regardless of their address in memory

`GtHashmap* gt_hashmap_ref(GtHashmap *hm)`

Increase the reference count of `hm`.

`void* gt_hashmap_get(GtHashmap *hashmap, const void *key)`

Return the value stored in `hashmap` for `key` or `NULL` if no such key exists.

`void gt_hashmap_add(GtHashmap *hashmap, void *key, void *value)`

Set the value stored in `hashmap` for `key` to `value`, overwriting the prior value for that key if present.

`void gt_hashmap_remove(GtHashmap *hashmap, const void *key)`

Remove the member with key `key` from `hashmap`.

`int gt_hashmap_foreach_ordered(GtHashmap *hashmap, GtHashmapVisitFunc func, void *data, GtCompare cmp, GtError *err)`

Iterate over `hashmap` in order given by compare function `cmp`. For each member, `func` is called (see interface).

`int gt_hashmap_foreach(GtHashmap *hashmap, GtHashmapVisitFunc func, void *data, GtError *err)`

Iterate over `hashmap` in arbitrary order. For each member, `func` is called (see interface).

`int gt_hashmap_foreach_in_key_order(GtHashmap *hashmap, GtHashmapVisitFunc func, void *data, GtError *err)`

Iterate over `hashmap` in either alphabetical order (if `GtHashType` was specified as `GT_HASH_STRING`) or numerical order (if `GtHashType` was specified as `GT_HASH_DIRECT`).

`void gt_hashmap_reset(GtHashmap *hashmap)`

Reset `hashmap` by unsetting values for all keys, calling the free function if necessary.

`void gt_hashmap_delete(GtHashmap *hashmap)`

Delete `hashmap`, calling the free function if necessary.

2.47 Class GtIDToMD5Stream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtIDToMD5Stream converts “regular” sequence IDs to MD5 fingerprints.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_id_to_md5_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream,  
GtRegionMapping *region_mapping, bool substitute_target_ids)
```

Create a GtIDToMD5Stream object which converts “regular” sequence IDs from nodes it retrieves from its `in_stream` to MD5 fingerprints (with the help of the given `region_mapping`). If `substitute_target_ids` is true, the IDs of Target attributes are also converted to MD5 fingerprints. Takes ownership of `region_mapping`!

2.48 Class GtImageInfo

The GtImageInfo class is a container for 2D coordinate to GtFeatureNode mappings which could, for example, be used to associate sections of a rendered image with GUI widgets or HTML imagemap areas. This information is given in the form of GtRecMap objects. They are created during the image rendering process and stored inside a GtImageInfo object for later retrieval. Additionally, the rendered width of an image can be obtained via a GtImageInfo method.

Methods

```
GtImageInfo* gt_image_info_new(void)
```

Creates a new GtImageInfo object.

```
unsigned int gt_image_info_get_height(GtImageInfo *image_info)
```

Returns the height of the rendered image (in pixels or points).

```
unsigned long gt_image_info_num_of_rec_maps(GtImageInfo *image_info)
```

Returns the total number of mappings in `image_info`.

```
const GtRecMap* gt_image_info_get_rec_map(GtImageInfo *image_info,  
unsigned long i)
```

Returns the `i`-th GtRecMap mapping in `image_info`.

```
void gt_image_info_delete(GtImageInfo *image_info)
```

Deletes `image_info` and all the GtRecMap objects created by it.

2.49 Class GtInterFeatureStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtInterFeatureStream inserts new feature nodes between existing feature nodes of a certain type.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_inter_feature_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, const char *outside_type, const char *inter_type)`

Create a `GtInterFeatureStream*` which inserts feature nodes of type `inter_type` between the feature nodes of type `outside_type` it retrieves from `in_stream` and returns them.

2.50 Class GtIntervalTree

This is an interval tree data structure, implemented according to Cormen et al., Introduction to Algorithms, 2nd edition, MIT Press, Cambridge, MA, USA, 2001

Methods

`GtIntervalTree* gt_interval_tree_new(GtFree)`

Creates a new `GtIntervalTree`. If a `GtFree` function is given as an argument, it is applied on the data pointers in all inserted nodes when the `GtIntervalTree` is deleted.

`unsigned long gt_interval_tree_size(GtIntervalTree*)`

Returns the number of elements in the `GtIntervalTree`.

`GtIntervalTreeNode* gt_interval_tree_find_first_overlapping(GtIntervalTree*, unsigned long start, unsigned long end)`

Returns the first node in the `GtIntervalTree` which overlaps the given range (from `start` to `end`).

`void gt_interval_tree_insert(GtIntervalTree *tree, GtIntervalTreeNode *node)`

Inserts node `node` into `tree`.

`void gt_interval_tree_find_all_overlapping(GtIntervalTree*, unsigned long start, unsigned long end, GtArray*)`

Collects data pointers of all `GtIntervalTreeNodes` in the tree which overlap with the query range (from `start` to `end`) in a `GtArray`.

`void gt_interval_tree_iterate_overlapping(GtIntervalTree *it, GtIntervalTreeIteratorFunc func, unsigned long start, unsigned long end, void *data)`

Call `func` for all `GtIntervalTreeNodes` in the tree which overlap with the query range (from `start` to `end`). Use `data` to pass in arbitrary user data.

`int gt_interval_tree_traverse(GtIntervalTree*, GtIntervalTreeIteratorFunc func, void *data)`

Traverses the `GtIntervalTree` in a depth-first fashion, applying `func` to each node encountered. The data pointer can be used to reference arbitrary data needed in the `GtIntervalTreeIteratorFunc`.

```
void gt_interval_tree_remove(GtIntervalTree*, GtIntervalTreeNode *node)
```

Removes the entry referenced by `node` from the `GtIntervalTree`. The data attached to `node` is freed according to the free function defined in the tree. Note that the memory pointed to by `node` can be re-used internally, referencing other data in the tree. Make sure to handle this pointer as expired after calling `gt_interval_tree_remove()`!

```
void gt_interval_tree_delete(GtIntervalTree*)
```

Deletes a `GtIntervalTree`. If a `GtFree` function was set in the tree constructor, data pointers specified in the nodes are freed using the given `GtFree` function.

2.51 Class `GtIntervalTreeNode`

```
GtIntervalTreeNode* gt_interval_tree_node_new(void *data, unsigned long low, unsigned long high)
```

Creates a new `GtIntervalTreeNode`. Transfers ownership of `data` to interval tree if inserted into a `GtIntervalTree` in which a `GtIntervalTreeDataFreeFunc` is set.

```
void* gt_interval_tree_node_get_data(GtIntervalTreeNode* node)
```

Returns a pointer to the data associated with node `node`.

2.52 Class `GtLayout`

The `GtLayout` class represents contents (tracks) of a `GtDiagram` broken up into lines such that a given horizontal space allotment given in pixels or points is used up most efficiently. This is done using the `GtLineBreaker` and `GtTextWidthCalculator` classes. As defaults, Cairo-based instances of these classes are used but can be specified separately.

A `GtLayout` can be queried for the height of the laid out representation and finally be rendered to a `GtCanvas`.

Methods

```
GtLayout* gt_layout_new(GtDiagram *diagram, unsigned int width, GtStyle*, GtError*)
```

Creates a new `GtLayout` object for the contents of `diagram`. The layout is done for a target image width of `width` and using the rules in `GtStyle` object `style`.

```
GtLayout* gt_layout_new_with_twc(GtDiagram*, unsigned int width, GtStyle*, GtTextWidthCalculator*, GtError*)
```

Like `gt_layout_new()`, but allows use of a different `GtTextWidthCalculator` implementation.

```
void gt_layout_set_track_ordering_func(GtLayout *layout,
GtTrackOrderingFunc func, void *data)
```

Sets the GtTrackOrderingFunc comparator function `func` which defines an order on the tracks contained in `layout`. This determines the order in which the tracks are drawn vertically. Additional data necessary in the comparator function can be given in `data`, the caller is responsible to free it.

```
int gt_layout_get_height(const GtLayout *layout, unsigned long *result,
GtError *err)
```

Calculates the height of layout in pixels. The height value is written to the location pointed to by `result`. If an error occurs during the calculation, this function returns -1 and `err` is set accordingly. Returns 0 on success.

```
int gt_layout_sketch(GtLayout *layout, GtCanvas *target_canvas, GtError*)
    Renders layout on the target_canvas.
```

```
void gt_layout_delete(GtLayout*)
    Destroys a layout.
```

2.53 Class GtLogger

```
GtLogger* gt_logger_new(bool enabled, const char *prefix, FILE *target)
```

Creates a new GtLogger, with logging enabled or not, and prefixing all log entries with `prefix` (e.g. "debug"). The log output is terminated by a newline. All log output will be written to `target`.

```
void gt_logger_enable(GtLogger *logger)
    Enable logging on logger.
```

```
void gt_logger_disable(GtLogger *logger)
    Disable logging on logger.
```

```
bool gt_logger_enabled(GtLogger *logger)
    Return true if logging is enabled on logger, false otherwise.
```

```
FILE* gt_logger_target(GtLogger *logger)
    Return logging target of logger.
```

```
void gt_logger_set_target(GtLogger *logger, FILE *fp)
    Set logging target of logger to fp.
```

```
void gt_logger_log_force(GtLogger *logger, const char *format, ...)
    Log to target regardless of logging status.
```

```
void gt_logger_log(GtLogger *logger, const char *format, ...)
    Log to target depending on logging status.
```

```
void gt_logger_log_va_force(GtLogger *logger, const char *format, va_list)
    Log to target regardless of logging status, using a va_list argument.

void gt_logger_log_va(GtLogger *logger, const char *format, va_list)
    Log to target depending on logging status, using a va_list argument.

void gt_logger_delete(GtLogger *logger)
    Delete logger.
```

2.54 Class GtMD5ToIDStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtMD5ToIDStream converts MD5 fingerprints used as sequence IDs to “regular” ones.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_md5_to_id_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream,
GtRegionMapping *region_mapping)
    Create a GtMD5toIDStream* which converts MD5 sequence IDs from nodes it retrieves
    from its in_stream to “regular” ones (with the help of the given region_mapping).
    Takes ownership of region_mapping!
```

2.55 Class GtMatchBlast

```
GtMatch* gt_match_blast_new(char *seqid1, char *seqid2, unsigned long
start_seq1, unsigned long start_seq2, unsigned long end_seq1, unsigned
long end_seq2, double evaluel, float bitscore, unsigned long ali_l, double
similarity, GtMatchDirection dir)
```

Creates a new GtMatch object meant to store results in the BLAST format. That is, it stores double values evaluel for match E-values, bitscores and the alignment length ali_l in addition to the generic match contents seqid1, seqid2, start_seq1, start_seq2, end_seq1, and end_seq2.

```
void gt_match_blast_set_evaluel(GtMatchBlast *mb, long double evaluel)
    Sets evaluel to be the E-value in mb.

void gt_match_blast_set_bitscore(GtMatchBlast *mb, float bits)
    Sets bits to be the bit-score in mb.

void gt_match_blast_set_align_length(GtMatchBlast *mb, unsigned long
length)
    Sets length to be the alignment length in mb.

void gt_match_blast_set_similarity(GtMatchBlast *mb, double similarity)
    Sets similarity to be the match similarity in mb.
```

`long double gt_match_blast_get_evalue(GtMatchBlast *mb)`

Returns the E-value stored in mb.

`float gt_match_blast_get_bitscore(GtMatchBlast *mb)`

Returns the bit-score value stored in mb.

`unsigned long gt_match_blast_get_align_length(GtMatchBlast *mb)`

Returns the alignment length stored in mb.

`double gt_match_blast_get_similarity(GtMatchBlast *mb)`

Returns the alignment similarity stored in mb.

2.56 Class GtMatchIterator

`GtMatchIteratorStatus gt_match_iterator_next(GtMatchIterator *mp, GtMatch **match, GtError *err)`

Advances mp by one, returning the next match. Writes a pointer to the next match to the position pointed to by match. Returns `GT_MATCHER_STATUS_OK` when the match could be delivered and there are more matches to come, `GT_MATCHER_STATUS_END` when no more matches are available, and `GT_MATCHER_STATUS_ERROR` if an error occurred. err is set accordingly.

`void gt_match_iterator_delete(GtMatchIterator *mp)`

Deletes mp, freeing all associated space.

2.57 Class GtMatchLAST

`GtMatch* gt_match_last_new(const char *seqid1, const char *seqid2, unsigned long score, unsigned long seqno1, unsigned long seqno2, unsigned long start_seq1, unsigned long start_seq2, unsigned long end_seq1, unsigned long end_seq2, GtMatchDirection dir)`

Creates a new GtMatch object meant to store results from the LAST software.

`unsigned long gt_match_last_get_seqno1(const GtMatchLAST *ml)`

Returns the sequence number of the match ms in the first GtEncseq.

`unsigned long gt_match_last_get_seqno2(const GtMatchLAST *ml)`

Returns the sequence number of the match ms in the second GtEncseq.

`unsigned long gt_match_last_get_score(const GtMatchLAST *ml)`

Returns the LAST score of the match ms.

2.58 Class GtMatchOpen

```
GtMatch* gt_match_open_new(char *seqid1, char *seqid2, unsigned long
start_seq1, unsigned long start_seq2, unsigned long end_seq1, unsigned
long end_seq2, long weight, GtMatchDirection dir)
```

Creates a new GtMatch object meant to store results in the OpenMatch format. That is, it stores long values `weight` in addition to the generic match contents `seqid1`, `seqid2`, `start_seq1`, `start_seq2`, `end_seq1`, and `end_seq2`.

```
void gt_match_open_set_weight(GtMatchOpen *mo, long weight)
```

Sets `weight` to be the `weight` value in `mo`.

```
long gt_match_open_get_weight(GtMatchOpen *mo)
```

Returns the `weight` value stored in `mo`.

2.59 Class GtMatchSW

```
GtMatch* gt_match_sw_new(const char *seqid1, const char *seqid2, unsigned
long seqno1, unsigned long seqno2, unsigned long length, unsigned long
edist, unsigned long start_seq1, unsigned long start_seq2, unsigned long
end_seq1, unsigned long end_seq2, GtMatchDirection dir)
```

Creates a new GtMatch object meant to store results from Smith-Waterman matching (using the `swalign` module). That is, it stores the alignment length `length`, the edit distance `edist` and the sequence numbers in the GtEncseqs in addition to the generic match contents `seqid1`, `seqid2`, `start_seq1`, `start_seq2`, `end_seq1` and `end_seq2`.

```
unsigned long gt_match_sw_get_seqno1(const GtMatchSW *ms)
```

Returns the sequence number of the match `ms` in the first GtEncseq.

```
unsigned long gt_match_sw_get_seqno2(const GtMatchSW *ms)
```

Returns the sequence number of the match `ms` in the second GtEncseq.

```
unsigned long gt_match_sw_get_alignment_length(const GtMatchSW *ms)
```

Returns the alignment length of the match `ms`.

```
unsigned long gt_match_sw_get_edist(const GtMatchSW *ms)
```

Returns the edit distance of the match `ms`.

2.60 Class GtMergeFeatureStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtMergeFeatureStream merges adjacent features of the same type.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_merge_feature_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream)`

Create a `GtMergeFeatureStream*` which merges adjacent features of the same type it retrieves from `in_stream` and returns them (and all other unmodified features).

2.61 Class GtMergeStream

Implements the `GtNodeStream` interface. A `GtMergeStream` allows one to merge a set of sorted streams in a sorted fashion.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_merge_stream_new(const GtArray *node_streams)`

Create a `GtMergeStream*` which merges the given (sorted) `node_streams` in a sorted fashion.

2.62 Class GtMetaNode

Implements the `GtGenomeNode` interface. Meta nodes correspond to meta lines in GFF3 files (i.e., lines which start with “##”) which are not sequence-region lines.

Methods

`GtGenomeNode* gt_meta_node_new(const char *meta_directive, const char *meta_data)`

Return a new `GtMetaNode` object representing a `meta_directive` with the corresponding `meta_data`. Please note that the leading “##” which denotes meta lines in GFF3 files should not be part of the `meta_directive`.

`const char* gt_meta_node_get_directive(const GtMetaNode *meta_node)`

Return the meta directive stored in `meta_node`.

`const char* gt_meta_node_get_data(const GtMetaNode *meta_node)`

Return the meta data stored in `meta_node`.

2.63 Class GtNodeStream

The `GtNodeStream` interface. `GtNodeStream` objects process `GtGenomeNode` objects in a pull-based architecture and can be chained together.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_node_stream_ref(GtNodeStream *node_stream)`

Increase the reference count for `node_stream` and return it.

`int gt_node_stream_next(GtNodeStream *node_stream, GtGenomeNode **genome_node, GtError *err)`

Try to get the the next `GtGenomeNode` from `node_stream` and store it in `genome_node` (transfers ownership to `genome_node`). If no error occurs, 0 is returned and `genome_node` contains either the next `GtGenomeNode` or `NULL`, if the `node_stream` is exhausted. If an error occurs, -1 is returned and `err` is set accordingly (the status of `genome_node` is undefined, but no ownership transfer occurred).

`int gt_node_stream_pull(GtNodeStream *node_stream, GtError *err)`

Calls `gt_node_stream_next()` on `node_stream` repeatedly until the `node_stream` is exhausted (0 is returned) or an error occurs (-1 is returned and `err` is set). All retrieved `GtGenomeNodes` are deleted automatically with calls to `gt_genome_node_delete()`. This method is basically a convenience method which simplifies calls to `gt_node_stream_next()` in a loop where the retrieved `GtGenomeNode` objects are not processed any further.

`bool gt_node_stream_is_sorted(GtNodeStream *node_stream)`

Return true if `node_stream` is a sorted stream, false otherwise.

`void gt_node_stream_delete(GtNodeStream *node_stream)`

Decrease the reference count for `node_stream` or delete it, if this was the last reference.

`GtNodeStream* gt_node_stream_create(const GtNodeStreamClass *node_stream_class, bool ensure_sorting)`

Create a new object of the given `node_stream_class`. If `ensure_sorting` is true, it is enforced that all genome node objects pulled from this class are sorted. That is, for consecutive nodes `a` and `b` obtained from the given `node_stream_class` the return code of `gt_genome_node_compare(a, b)` has to be smaller or equal than 0. If this condition is not met, an assertion fails.

`void* gt_node_stream_cast(const GtNodeStreamClass *node_stream_class, GtNodeStream *node_stream)`

Cast `node_stream` to the given `node_stream_class`. That is, if `node_stream` is not from the given `node_stream_class`, an assertion will fail.

2.64 Class GtNodeStreamClass

```
const GtNodeStreamClass* gt_node_stream_class_new(size_t size,
GtNodeStreamFreeFunc free, GtNodeStreamNextFunc next)
```

Create a new node stream class (that is, a class which implements the node stream interface). `size` denotes the size of objects of the new node stream class. The optional `free` method is called once, if an object of the new class is deleted. The mandatory `next` method has to implement the `gt_node_stream_next()` semantic for the new class.

2.65 Class GtNodeVisitor

The `GtNodeVisitor` interface, a visitor for `GtGenomeNode` objects.

Methods

```
int gt_node_visitor_visit_comment_node(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor,
GtCommentNode *comment_node, GtError *err)
```

Visit `comment_node` with `node_visitor`.

```
int gt_node_visitor_visit_feature_node(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor,
GtFeatureNode *feature_node, GtError *err)
```

Visit `feature_node` with `node_visitor`.

```
int gt_node_visitor_visit_meta_node(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor,
GtMetaNode *meta_node, GtError *err)
```

Visit `meta_node` with `node_visitor`.

```
int gt_node_visitor_visit_region_node(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor,
GtRegionNode *region_node, GtError *err)
```

Visit `region_node` with `node_visitor`.

```
int gt_node_visitor_visit_sequence_node(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor,
GtSequenceNode *sequence_node, GtError *err)
```

Visit `sequence_node` with `node_visitor`.

```
void gt_node_visitor_delete(GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor)
```

Delete `node_visitor`.

2.66 Class GtOption

`GtOption` objects represent command line options (which are used in a `GtOptionParser`). Option descriptions are automatically formatted to `GT_OPTION_PARSER_TERMINAL_WIDTH`, but it is possible to embed newlines into the descriptions to manually affect the formatting.

Methods

`GtOption* gt_option_new_bool(const char *option_string, const char *description, bool *value, bool default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_double(const char *option_string, const char *description, double *value, double default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_double_min(const char *option_string, const char *description, double *value, double default_value, double minimum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at least have the `minimum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_double_min_max(const char *option_string, const char *description, double *value, double default_value, double minimum_value, double maximum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at least have the `minimum_value` and at most the `maximum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_probability(const char *option_string, const char *description, double *value, double default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at larger or equal than 0.0 and smaller or equal than 1.0.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_int(const char *option_string, const char *description, int *value, int default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_int_min(const char *option_string, const char *description, int *value, int default_value, int minimum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at least have the `minimum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_int_max(const char *option_string, const char *description, int *value, int default_value, int maximum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at most have the `maximum_value`.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_int_min_max(const char *option_string, const char
*description, int *value, int default_value, int minimum_value, int
maximum_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value. The argument to this option must at least have the minimum_value and at most the maximum_value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_uint(const char *option_string, const char
*description, unsigned int *value, unsigned int default_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_uint_min(const char *option_string, const char
*description, unsigned int *value, unsigned int default_value, unsigned
int minimum_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value. The argument to this option must at least have the minimum_value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_uint_max(const char *option_string, const char
*description, unsigned int *value, unsigned int default_value, unsigned
int maximum_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value. The argument to this option must at most have the maximum_value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_uint_min_max(const char *option_string, const char
*description, unsigned int *value, unsigned int default_value, unsigned
int minimum_value, unsigned int maximum_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value. The argument to this option must at least have the minimum_value and at most the maximum_value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_long(const char *option_string, const char
*description, long *value, long default_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value.

```
GtOption* gt_option_new_ulong(const char *option_string, const char
*description, unsigned long *value, unsigned long default_value)
```

Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and default_value. The result of the option parsing is stored in value.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_ulong_min(const char *option_string, const char *description, unsigned long *value, unsigned long default_value, unsigned long minimum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at least have the `minimum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_ulong_min_max(const char *option_string, const char *description, unsigned long *value, unsigned long default_value, unsigned long minimum_value, unsigned long maximum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The argument to this option must at least have the `minimum_value` and at most the `maximum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_range(const char *option_string, const char *description, GtRange *value, GtRange *default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. If `default_value` equals `NULL`, `GT_UNDEF_LONG` will be used as the default start and end point of `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_range_min_max(const char *option_string, const char *description, GtRange *value, GtRange *default_value, unsigned long minimum_value, unsigned long maximum_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`. The first argument to this option (which will be used as the start) must at least have the `minimum_value` and the second argument (which will be used as the end) at most the `maximum_value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_string(const char *option_string, const char *description, GtStr *value, const char *default_value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing is stored in `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_string_array(const char *option_string, const char *description, GtStrArray *value)`

Return a new `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value`. The result of the option parsing are stored in `value`.

`GtOption* gt_option_new_choice(const char *option_string, const char *description, GtStr *value, const char *default_value, const char **domain)`

Return a `GtOption` with the given `option_string`, `description`, and `default_value` which allows only arguments given in the NULL-terminated domain (`default_value` must be an entry of domain or `NULL`).

```

GtOption* gt_option_new_filename(const char *option_string, const char
*description, GtStr *filename)
    Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and
    default_value. The result of the option parsing are stored in value.

GtOption* gt_option_new_filename_array(const char *option_string, const
char *description, GtStrArray *filename_array)
    Return a new GtOption with the given option_string, description, and
    default_value. The results of the option parsing are stored in value.

GtOption* gt_option_new_debug(bool *value)
    Return a new debug GtOption object: -debug, "enable debugging output", default is
    false. The result of the option parsing is stored in value

GtOption* gt_option_new_verbose(bool *value)
    Return a new verbose GtOption object: -v, "be verbose", default is false. The result
    of the option parsing is stored in value

GtOption* gt_option_new_width(unsigned long *value)
    Return a new width GtOption object: -width, "set output width for FASTA sequence
    printing (0 disables formatting)", default is 0. The result of the option parsing is stored
    in value

GtOption* gt_option_ref(GtOption *option)
    Increase the reference count for option and return it.

const char* gt_option_get_name(const GtOption * option)
    Return the name of option

void gt_option_is_mandatory(GtOption *option)
    Make option mandatory.

void gt_option_is_mandatory_either(GtOption *option_a, const GtOption
*option_b)
    Make it mandatory, that either option_a or option_b is used.

void gt_option_is_mandatory_either_3(GtOption *option_a, const GtOption
*option_b, const GtOption *option_c)
    Make it mandatory, that one of the options option_a, option_b, or option_c is used.

void gt_option_is_extended_option(GtOption *option)
    Set that option is only shown in the output of -help+.

void gt_option_is_development_option(GtOption *option)
    Set that option is only shown in the output of -helpdev.

void gt_option_imply(GtOption *option_a, const GtOption *option_b)
    Make option_a imply option_b.

```

```

void gt_option_imply_either_2(GtOption *option_a, const GtOption
*option_b, const GtOption *option_c)
    Make option_a imply either option_b or option_c
void gt_option_exclude(GtOption *option_a, GtOption *option_b)
    Set that the options option_a and option_b exclude each other.
void gt_option_hide_default(GtOption *option)
    Hide the default value of option in -help output.
void gt_option_argument_is_optional(GtOption *option)
    Set that the argument to option is optional
bool gt_option_is_set(const GtOption *option)
    Return true if option was set, false otherwise.
void gt_option_delete(GtOption*)
    Delete option.

int gt_option_parse_spacespec(unsigned long *maximumspace, const char
*optname, const GtStr *memlimit, GtError *err)
    Parse the argument to option -memlimit. Could be made into a special parser, but I do
not know how. SK. 2011-09-19

```

2.67 Class GtOptionParser

GtOptionParser objects can be used to parse command line options.

Methods

```

#define GT_OPTION_PARSER_TERMINAL_WIDTH
    The default terminal width used in the output of the GtOptionParser.

GtOptionParser* gt_option_parser_new(const char *synopsis, const char
*one_liner)
    Return a new GtOptionParser object. The synopsis should summarize the command
line arguments and mandatory arguments in a single line. The one_liner should de-
scribe the program for which the GtOptionParser is used in a single line and must
have an upper case letter at the start and a '.' at the end.

void gt_option_parser_add_option(GtOptionParser *option_parser, GtOption
*option)
    Add option to option_parser. Takes ownership of option.

```

`GtOption* gt_option_parser_get_option(GtOptionParser *option_parser, const char *option_string)`

Return the `GtOption` object if an option named `option_string` is present in `option_parser`, and `NULL` if no such option exists.

`void gt_option_parser_refer_to_manual(GtOptionParser *option_parser)`

Refer to manual at the end of `-help` output of `option_parser`.

`void gt_option_parser_set_comment_func(GtOptionParser *option_parser, GtShowCommentFunc comment_func, void *data)`

Set `comment_func` in `option_parser` (`data` is passed along).

`void gt_option_parser_set_version_func(GtOptionParser *option_parser, GtShowVersionFunc version_func)`

Set the version function used by `option_parser` to `version_func`. This version function takes precedence to the one supplied to `gt_option_parser_parse()`.

`void gt_option_parser_set_mail_address(GtOptionParser*, const char *mail_address)`

Set the `mail_address` used in the final "Report bugs to" line of the `-help` output. It should be of the form `<bill@microsoft.com>` (email address enclosed in one pair of angle brackets).

`void gt_option_parser_register_hook(GtOptionParser *option_parser, GtOptionParserHookFunc hook_function, void *data)`

Register a `hook_function` with `option_parser`. All registered hook functions are called at the end of `gt_option_parser_parse()`. This allows one to have a module which registers a bunch of options in the option parser and automatically performs necessary postprocessing after the option parsing has been done via the hook function.

`void gt_option_parser_set_min_args(GtOptionParser *option_parser, unsigned int minimum)`

The the minimum number of additional command line arguments `option_parser` must parse in order to succeed.

`void gt_option_parser_set_max_args(GtOptionParser *option_parser, unsigned int maximum)`

The the maximum number of additional command line arguments `option_parser` must parse in order to succeed.

`void gt_option_parser_set_min_max_args(GtOptionParser *option_parser, unsigned int minimum, unsigned int maximum)`

The the minimum and maximum number of additional command line arguments `option_parser` must parse in order to succeed.

```
GtOPrval gt_option_parser_parse(GtOptionParser *option_parser,
int *parsed_args, int argc, const char **argv, GtShowVersionFunc
version_func, GtError *err)
```

Use `option_parser` to parse options given in argument vector `argv` (with `argc` many arguments). The number of parsed arguments is stored in `parsed_args`. `version_func` is used for the output of option `-version`. In case of error, `GT_OPTION_PARSER_ERROR` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

```
void gt_option_parser_delete(GtOptionParser *option_parser)
    Delete option_parser.
```

2.68 Class GtPhase

This enum type defines the possible phases. The following phases are defined: `GT_PHASE_ZERO`, `GT_PHASE_ONE`, `GT_PHASE_TWO`, and `GT_PHASE_UNDEFINED`.

Methods

```
#define GT_PHASE_CHARS
```

Use this string to map phase enum types to their corresponding character.

```
GtPhase gt_phase_get(char phase_char)
```

Map `phase_char` to the corresponding phase enum type. An assertion will fail if `phase_char` is not a valid one.

2.69 Class GtQueue

`GtQueue` objects are generic queues which can be used to process objects of any type in an First-In-First-Out (FIFO) fashion.

Methods

```
GtQueue* gt_queue_new(void)
```

Return a new `GtQueue` object.

```
void gt_queue_add(GtQueue *queue, void *elem)
```

Add `elem` to queue (*enqueue* in computer science terminology).

```
void* gt_queue_get(GtQueue *queue)
```

Remove the first element from non-empty queue and return it (*dequeue* in computer science terminology).

```
void* gt_queue_head(GtQueue *queue)
```

Return the first element in non-empty queue without removing it.

```
void gt_queue_remove(GtQueue *queue, void *elem)
```

Remove elem from queue (elem has to be in queue). Thereby queue is traversed in reverse order, leading to $O(gt_queue_size(queue))$ worst-case running time.

```
unsigned long gt_queue_size(const GtQueue *queue)
```

Return the number of elements in queue.

```
void gt_queue_delete(GtQueue *queue)
```

Delete queue. Elements contained in queue are not freed!

2.70 Class GtRDBVisitor

The GtRDBVisitor interface, a visitor for GtRDB objects.

Methods

```
int gt_rdb_visitor_visit_sqlite(GtRDBVisitor *rdbv, GtRDBSqlite *rdfs,  
GtError *err)
```

Visit a SQLite database rdfs with rdbv. Returns 0 on success, a negative value otherwise, and err is set accordingly.

```
int gt_rdb_visitor_visit_mysql(GtRDBVisitor *rdbv, GtRDBMySQL *rdbm,  
GtError *err)
```

Visit a MySQL database rdbm with rdbv. Returns 0 on success, a negative value otherwise, and err is set accordingly.

```
void gt_rdb_visitor_delete(GtRDBVisitor *rdbv)
```

Delete rdbv.

2.71 Class GtRange

The GtRange class is used to represent genomic ranges in *GenomeTools*. Thereby, the start must **always** be smaller or equal than the end.

Methods

`int gt_range_compare(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b)`
Compare `range_a` and `range_b`. Returns 0 if `range_a` equals `range_b`, -1 if `range_a` starts before `range_b` or (for equal starts) `range_a` ends before `range_b`, and 1 else.

`int gt_range_compare_with_delta(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b, unsigned long delta)`
Compare `range_a` and `range_b` with given `delta`. Returns 0 if `range_a` equals `range_b` modulo `delta` (i.e., the start and end points of `range_a` and `range_b` are at most `delta` bases apart), -1 if `range_a` starts before `range_b` or (for equal starts) `range_a` ends before `range_b`, and 1 else.

`bool gt_range_overlap(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b)`
Returns true if `range_a` and `range_b` overlap, false otherwise.

`bool gt_range_overlap_delta(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b, unsigned long delta)`
Returns true if `range_a` and `range_b` overlap **at least** `delta` many positions, false otherwise.

`bool gt_range_contains(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b)`
Returns true if `range_b` is contained in `range_a`, false otherwise.

`bool gt_range_within(const GtRange *range, unsigned long point)`
Returns true if `point` lies within `range`, false otherwise.

`GtRange gt_range_join(const GtRange *range_a, const GtRange *range_b)`
Join `range_a` and `range_b` and return the result.

`GtRange gt_range_offset(const GtRange *range, long offset)`
Transform start and end of `range` by `offset` and return the result.

`unsigned long gt_range_length(const GtRange *range)`
Returns the length of the given `range`.

2.72 Class GtReadmode

This enum type defines the possible readmodes, namely `GT_READMODE_FORWARD`, `GT_READMODE_REVERSE`, `GT_READMODE_COMPL`, and `GT_READMODE_REVCOMPL`.

Methods

`const char* gt_readmode_show(GtReadmode readmode)`

Returns the descriptive string for readmode.

`int gt_readmode_parse(const char *string, GtError *err)`

Returns the `GtReadmode` for the description string, which must be one of "fwd", "rev", "cpl" or "rc". If string does not equal any of them, -1 is returned and err is set accordingly.

2.73 Class GtRecMap

A `GtRecMap` object contains a mapping from a 2D coordinate pair which identifies a rectangle in a rendered image to the `GtFeatureNode` it represents. The rectangle is defined by the coordinates of its upper left ("northwest") and lower right ("southeast") points.

`GtRecMap` objects are created by an `GtImageInfo` object which is filled during the generation of an image by *AnnotationSketch*.

Methods

`double gt_rec_map_get_northwest_x(const GtRecMap*)`

Retrieve *x* value of the the upper left point of the rectangle.

`double gt_rec_map_get_northwest_y(const GtRecMap*)`

Retrieve *y* value of the the upper left point of the rectangle.

`double gt_rec_map_get_southeast_x(const GtRecMap*)`

Retrieve *x* value of the the lower right point of the rectangle.

`double gt_rec_map_get_southeast_y(const GtRecMap*)`

Retrieve *y* value of the the lower right point of the rectangle.

`const GtFeatureNode* gt_rec_map_get_genome_feature(const GtRecMap*)`

Retrieve `GtFeatureNode` associated with this rectangle.

`bool gt_rec_map_has_omitted_children(const GtRecMap*)`

Returns true if the rectangle represents a block root whose elements have not been drawn due to size restrictions.

2.74 Class GtRegionMapping

A `GtRegionMapping` objects maps sequence-regions to the corresponding entries of sequence files.

Methods

`GtRegionMapping* gt_region_mapping_new_mapping(GtStr *mapping_filename, GtError *err)`

Return a new `GtRegionMapping` object for the mapping file with the given `mapping_filename`. In the case of an error, `NULL` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

`GtRegionMapping* gt_region_mapping_new_seqfiles(GtStrArray *sequence_filenames, bool matchdesc, bool usedesc)`

Return a new `GtRegionMapping` object for the sequence files given in `sequence_filenames`. If `matchdesc` is `true`, the sequence descriptions from the input files are matched for the desired sequence IDs (in GFF3).

If `usedesc` is `true`, the sequence descriptions are used to map the sequence IDs (in GFF3) to actual sequence entries. If a description contains a sequence range (e.g., III:1000001..2000000), the first part is used as sequence ID ('III') and the first range position as offset ('1000001').

`matchdesc` and `usedesc` cannot be `true` at the same time.

`GtRegionMapping* gt_region_mapping_new_rawseq(const char *rawseq, unsigned long length, unsigned long offset)`

Return a new `GtRegionMapping` object which maps to the given sequence `rawseq` with the corresponding length and offset.

`GtRegionMapping* gt_region_mapping_ref(GtRegionMapping *region_mapping)`

Increase the reference count for `region_mapping` and return it.

`int gt_region_mapping_get_raw_sequence(GtRegionMapping *region_mapping, const char **rawseq, unsigned long *length, unsigned long *offset, GtStr *seqid, const GtRange *range, GtError *err)`

Use `region_mapping` to map the given sequence ID `seqid` and its corresponding range to an actual sequence. The sequence is returned in `rawseq`, its length and offset in `length` and `offset`. In the case of an error, `-1` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

`int gt_region_mapping_get_description(GtRegionMapping *region_mapping, GtStr *desc, GtStr *seqid, GtError *err)`

Use `region_mapping` to get the description of the MD5 sequence ID `seqid`. The description is appended to `desc`. In the case of an error, `-1` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

`const char* gt_region_mapping_get_md5_fingerprint(GtRegionMapping *region_mapping, GtStr *seqid, const GtRange *range, unsigned long *offset, GtError *err)`

Use `region_mapping` to return the MD5 fingerprint of the sequence with the sequence ID `seqid` and its corresponding range. The offset of the sequence is stored in `offset`. In the case of an error, `NULL` is returned and `err` is set accordingly.

```
void gt_region_mapping_delete(GtRegionMapping *region_mapping)
    Delete region_mapping.
```

2.75 Class GtRegionNode

Implements the GtGenomeNode interface. Region nodes correspond to the `##sequence-region` lines in GFF3 files.

Methods

```
GtGenomeNode* gt_region_node_new(GtStr *seqid, unsigned long start,
    unsigned long end)
```

Create a new GtRegionNode* representing sequence with ID seqid from base position start to base position end (1-based). start has to be smaller or equal than end. The GtRegionNode* stores a new reference to seqid, so make sure you do not modify the original seqid afterwards!

2.76 Class GtSelectStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtSelectStream selects certain nodes it retrieves from its node source and passes them along.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_select_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream,  
GtStr *seqid, GtStr *source, const GtRange *contain_range, const  
GtRange *overlap_range, GtStrand strand, GtStrand targetstrand,  
bool has_CDS, unsigned long max_gene_length, unsigned long  
max_gene_num, double min_gene_score, double max_gene_score, double  
min_average_splice_site_prob, unsigned long feature_num, GtStrArray  
*select_files, GtStr *select_logic, GtError *err)
```

Create a `GtSelectStream` object which selects genome nodes it retrieves from its `in_stream` and passes them along if they meet the criteria defined by the other arguments. All comment nodes are selected. If `seqid` is defined, a genome node must have it to be selected. If `source` is defined, a genome node must have it to be selected. If `contain_range` is defined, a genome node must be contained in it to be selected. If `overlap_range` is defined, a genome node must overlap it to be selected. If `strand` is defined, a (top-level) genome node must have it to be selected. If `targetstrand` is defined, a feature with a target attribute must have exactly one of it and its strand must equal `targetstrand`. If `had_cds` is true, all top-level features are selected which have a child with type *CDS*. If `max_gene_length` is defined, only genes up to the this length are selected. If `max_gene_num` is defined, only so many genes are selected. If `min_gene_score` is defined, only genes with at least this score are selected. If `max_gene_score` is defined, only genes with at most this score are selected. If `min_average_splice_site_prob` is defined, feature nodes which have splice sites must have at least this average splice site score to be selected. If `feature_num` is defined, just the `feature_numth` feature node occurring in the `in_stream` is selected. If `select_files` is defined and has at least one entry, the entries are evaluated as Lua scripts containing functions taking `GtGenomeNodes` that are evaluated to boolean values to determine selection. `select_logic` can be "OR" or "AND", defining how the results from the select scripts are combined. Returns a pointer to a new `GtSelectStream` or NULL on error (`err` is set accordingly).

```
void gt_select_stream_set_drophandler(GtSelectStream *sstr,  
GtSelectNodeFunc fp, void *data)
```

Sets `fp` as a handler function to be called for every `GtGenomeNode` not selected by `sstr`. The void pointer `data` can be used for arbitrary user data.

2.77 Class GtSequenceNode

Implements the `GtGenomeNode` interface. Sequence nodes correspond to singular embedded FASTA sequences in GFF3 files.

Methods

`GtGenomeNode* gt_sequence_node_new(const char *description, GtStr *sequence)`

Create a new `GtSequenceNode*` representing a FASTA entry with the given description and sequence. Takes ownership of sequence.

`const char* gt_sequence_node_get_description(const GtSequenceNode *sequence_node)`

Return the description of `sequence_node`.

`const char* gt_sequence_node_get_sequence(const GtSequenceNode *sequence_node)`

Return the sequence of `sequence_node`.

`unsigned long gt_sequence_node_get_sequence_length(const GtSequenceNode *sequence_node)`

Return the sequence length of `sequence_node`.

2.78 Class GtSortStream

Implements the `GtNodeStream` interface. A `GtSortStream` sorts the `GtGenomeNode` objects it retrieves from its node source.

Methods

`GtNodeStream* gt_sort_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream)`

Create a `GtSortStream*` which sorts the genome nodes it retrieves from `in_stream` and returns them unmodified, but in sorted order.

2.79 Class GtSplitter

The `GtSplitter` class defines objects which can split given strings into tokens delimited by a given character, allowing for convenient access to each token.

Methods

`GtSplitter* gt_splitter_new(void)`

Create a new `GtSplitter` object.

`void gt_splitter_split(GtSplitter *splitter, char *string, unsigned long length, char delimiter)`

Use `splitter` to split `string` of given length into tokens delimited by `delimiter`. Note that `string` is modified in the splitting process!

```
char** gt_splitter_get_tokens(GtSplitter *splitter)
```

Return all tokens split by splitter in an array.

```
char* gt_splitter_get_token(GtSplitter *splitter, unsigned long  
token_num)
```

Return token with number token_num from splitter.

```
void gt_splitter_reset(GtSplitter *splitter)
```

Reset the splitter.

```
unsigned long gt_splitter_size(GtSplitter *splitter)
```

Return the number of tokens in splitter.

```
void gt_splitter_delete(GtSplitter *splitter)
```

Delete the splitter.

2.80 Class GtStatStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtStatStream gathers statistics about the GtGenomeNode objects it retrieves from its node source and passes them along unmodified.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_stat_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream, bool  
gene_length_distribution, bool gene_score_distribution, bool  
exon_length_distribution, bool exon_number_distribution, bool  
intron_length_distribution, bool cds_length_distribution, bool  
used_sources)
```

Create a GtStatStream object which gathers statistics about the GtGenomeNode objects it retrieves from its in_stream and returns them unmodified. Besides the basic statistics, statistics about the following distributions can be gathered, if the corresponding argument equals true: gene_length_distribution, gene_score_distribution, exon_length_distribution, exon_number_distribution, intron_length_distribution, cds_length_distribution.

If used_sources equals true, it is recorded which source tags have been encountered.

```
void gt_stat_stream_show_stats(GtStatStream *stat_stream, GtFile *outfp)
```

Write the statistics gathered by stat_stream to outfp.

2.81 Class GtStr

Objects of the GtStr class are strings which grow on demand.

Methods

`GtStr* gt_str_new(void)`

Return an empty `GtStr` object.

`GtStr* gt_str_new_cstr(const char *cstr)`

Return a new `GtStr` object whose content is set to `cstr`.

`GtStr* gt_str_clone(const GtStr *str)`

Return a clone of `str`.

`GtStr* gt_str_ref(GtStr *str)`

Increase the reference count for `str` and return it. If `str` is `NULL`, `NULL` is returned without any side effects.

`char* gt_str_get(const GtStr *str)`

Return the content of `str`. Never returns `NULL`, and the content is always `\0`-terminated

`void gt_str_set(GtStr *str, const char *cstr)`

Set the content of `str` to `cstr`.

`void gt_str_append_str(GtStr *dest, const GtStr *src)`

Append the string `src` to `dest`.

`void gt_str_append_cstr(GtStr *str, const char *cstr)`

Append the `\0`-terminated `cstr` to `str`.

`void gt_str_append_cstr_nt(GtStr *str, const char *cstr, unsigned long length)`

Append the (not necessarily `\0`-terminated) `cstr` with given `length` to `str`.

`void gt_str_append_char(GtStr *str, char c)`

Append character `c` to `str`.

`void gt_str_append_double(GtStr *str, double d, int precision)`

Append double `d` to `str` with given `precision`.

`void gt_str_append_ulong(GtStr *str, unsigned long ulong)`

Append `ulong` to `str`.

`void gt_str_append_int(GtStr *str, int intval)`

Append `intval` to `str`.

`void gt_str_append_uint(GtStr *str, unsigned int uint)`

Append `uint` to `str`.

`void gt_str_set_length(GtStr *str, unsigned long length)`

Set length of `str` to `length`. `length` must be smaller or equal than `gt_str_length(str)`.

```
void gt_str_reset(GtStr *str)
    Reset str to length 0.

int gt_str_cmp(const GtStr *str1, const GtStr *str2)
    Compare str1 and str2 and return the result (similar to strcmp(3)).

unsigned long gt_str_length(const GtStr *str)
    Return the length of str. If str is NULL, 0 is returned.

void gt_str_delete(GtStr *str)
    Decrease the reference count for str or delete it, if this was the last reference.
```

2.82 Class GtStrArray

GtStrArray* objects are arrays of string which grow on demand.

Methods

```
GtStrArray* gt_str_array_new(void)
    Return a new GtStrArray object.

GtStrArray* gt_str_array_ref(GtStrArray*)
    Increases the reference to a GtStrArray.

void gt_str_array_add_cstr(GtStrArray *str_array, const char *cstr)
    Add cstr to str_array. Thereby, an internal copy of cstr is created.

void gt_str_array_add_cstr_nt(GtStrArray *str_array, const char *cstr,
unsigned long length)
    Add the non \0-terminated cstr with given length to str_array. Thereby, an internal
copy of cstr is created.

void gt_str_array_add(GtStrArray *str_array, const GtStr *str)
    Add str to str_array. Thereby, an internal copy of str is created.

const char* gt_str_array_get(const GtStrArray *str_array, unsigned long
strnum)
    Return pointer to internal string with number strnum of str_array. strnum must be
smaller than gt_str_array_size(str_array).

void gt_str_array_set_cstr(GtStrArray *str_array, unsigned long strnum,
const char *cstr)
    Set the string with number strnum in str_array to cstr.

void gt_str_array_set(GtStrArray *str_array, unsigned long strnum, const
GtStr *str)
    Set the string with number strnum in str_array to str.
```

```

void gt_str_array_set_size(GtStrArray *str_array, unsigned long size)
    Set the size of str_array to size. size must be smaller or equal than
    gt_str_array_size(str_array).

void gt_str_array_reset(GtStrArray *str_array)
    Set the size of str_array to 0.

unsigned long gt_str_array_size(const GtStrArray *str_array)
    Return the number of strings stored in str_array.

void gt_str_array_delete(GtStrArray *str_array)
    Delete str_array.

```

2.83 Class GtStrand

This enum type defines the possible strands. The following strands are defined: `GT_STRAND_FORWARD`, `GT_STRAND_REVERSE`, `GT_STRAND_BOTH`, and `GT_STRAND_UNKNOWN`.

Methods

```

#define GT_STRAND_CHARS
    Use this string to map strand enum types to their corresponding character.

GtStrand gt_strand_get(char strand_char)
    Map strand_char to the corresponding strand enum type. Returns
    GT_NUM_OF_STRAND_TYPES if strand_char is not a valid one.

```

2.84 Class GtStyle

Objects of the `GtStyle` class hold *AnnotationSketch* style information like colors, margins, collapsing options, and others. The class provides methods to set values of various types. Each value is organized into a *section* and is identified by a *key*. That is, a *section, key* pair must uniquely identify a value.

Methods

```

GtStyle* gt_style_new(GtError*)
    Creates a new GtStyle object.

GtStyle* gt_style_ref(GtStyle*)
    Increments the reference count of the given GtStyle.

void gt_style_unsafe_mode(GtStyle*)
    Enables unsafe mode (“io” and “os” libraries loaded).

```

```

void gt_style_safe_mode(GtStyle*)
    Enables safe mode (“io” and “os” libraries not accessible).

bool gt_style_is_unsafe(GtStyle *sty)
    Returns true if sty is in unsafe mode.

GtStyle* gt_style_clone(const GtStyle*, GtError*)
    Creates a independent (“deep”) copy of the given GtStyle object.

int gt_style_load_file(GtStyle*, const char *filename, GtError*)
    Loads and executes Lua style file with given filename. This file must define a global
    table called style.

int gt_style_load_str(GtStyle*, GtStr *instr, GtError*)
    Loads and executes Lua style code from the given GtStr instr. This code must define
    a global table called style.

int gt_style_to_str(const GtStyle*, GtStr *outstr, GtError*)
    Generates Lua code which represents the given GtStyle object and writes it into the
    GtStr object outstr.

void gt_style_reload(GtStyle*)
    Reloads the Lua style file.

void gt_style_set_color(GtStyle*, const char *section, const char *key,
const GtColor *color)
    Sets a color value in the GtStyle for section section and key to a certain color.

GtStyleQueryStatus gt_style_get_color(const GtStyle *style, const char
*section, const char *key, GtColor *result, GtFeatureNode *fn, GtError
*err)
    Retrieves a color value from style for key key in section section. The color is writ-
    ten to the location pointed to by result. Optionally, a feature node pointer fn can be
    specified for handling in node-specific callbacks. Because color definitions can be func-
    tions, gt_style_get_color() can fail at runtime. In this case, this function returns
    GT_STYLE_QUERY_ERROR and err is set accordingly. If the color was not specified
    in style, a grey default color is written to result and GT_STYLE_QUERY_NOT_SET
    is returned so the caller can provide a custom default. In case of successful retrieval of
    an existing color, GT_STYLE_QUERY_OK is returned.

void gt_style_set_str(GtStyle*, const char *section, const char *key,
GtStr *value)
    Set string with key key in section to value.

void gt_style_set_num(GtStyle*, const char *section, const char *key,
double number)
    Set numeric value of key key in section to number.

```

```
void gt_style_set_bool(GtStyle*, const char *section, const char *key,
bool val)
```

Set boolean value of key key in section to val.

```
void gt_style_unset(GtStyle*, const char *section, const char *key)
```

Unset value of key key in section.

```
void gt_style_delete(GtStyle *style)
```

Deletes this style.

2.85 Class GtTagValueMap

A very simple tag/value map absolutely optimized for space (i.e., memory consumption) on the cost of time. Basically, each read/write access costs $O(n)$ time, whereas n denotes the accumulated length of all tags and values contained in the map. Tags and values cannot have length 0. The implementation as a `char*` shines through (also to save one additional memory allocation), therefore the usage is a little bit different compared to other *GenomeTools* classes. See the implementation of `gt_tag_value_map_example()` for an usage example.

Methods

```
GtTagValueMap gt_tag_value_map_new(const char *tag, const char *value)
```

Return a new `GtTagValueMap` object which stores the given tag/value pair.

```
void gt_tag_value_map_add(GtTagValueMap *tag_value_map, const char *tag,
const char *value)
```

Add tag/value pair to `tag_value_map`. `tag_value_map` must not contain the given tag already!

```
void gt_tag_value_map_set(GtTagValueMap *tag_value_map, const char *tag,
const char *value)
```

Set the given tag in `tag_value_map` to value.

```
const char* gt_tag_value_map_get(const GtTagValueMap tag_value_map, const
char *tag)
```

Return value corresponding to tag from `tag_value_map`. If `tag_value_map` does not contain such a value, `NULL` is returned.

```
void gt_tag_value_map_remove(GtTagValueMap *tag_value_map, const char
*tag)
```

Removes the given tag from `tag_value_map`. `tag_value_map` must contain the given tag already!

```
void gt_tag_value_map_foreach(const GtTagValueMap tag_value_map,
GtTagValueMapIteratorFunc iterator_func, void *data)
    Apply iterator_func to each tag/value pair contained in tag_value_map and pass
    data along.

int gt_tag_value_map_example(GtError *err)
    Implements an example usage of a tag/value map.

void gt_tag_value_map_delete(GtTagValueMap tag_value_map)
    Delete tag_value_map.
```

2.86 Class GtTextWidthCalculator

The GtTextWidthCalculator interface answers queries w.r.t. text width in a specific drawing backend. This interface is needed to do proper line breaking in a GtLayout even if there is no GtCanvas or GtGraphics created yet.

Methods

```
GtTextWidthCalculator* gt_text_width_calculator_ref(GtTextWidthCalculator*)
    Increases the reference count of the GtTextWidthCalculator.

double gt_text_width_calculator_get_text_width(GtTextWidthCalculator*,
const char *text, GtError *err)
    Requests the width of text from the GtTextWidthCalculator. If the returned value
    is negative, an error occurred. Otherwise, a positive double value is returned.

void gt_text_width_calculator_delete(GtTextWidthCalculator*)
    Deletes a GtTextWidthCalculator instance.
```

2.87 Class GtTextWidthCalculatorCairo

Implements the GtTextWidthCalculator interface with Cairo as the drawing backend. If text width is to be calculated with regard to a specific transformation etc. which is in effect in a cairo_t and which should be used later via a GtCanvasCairoContext, create a GtTextWidthCalculatorCairo object and pass it to the GtLayout via gt_layout_new_with_twc().

Methods

```
GtTextWidthCalculator* gt_text_width_calculator_cairo_new(cairo_t*,
GtStyle*, GtError*)
    Creates a new GtTextWidthCalculatorCairo object for the given context using the
    text size options given in the GtStyle. If the GtStyle is NULL, the current font settings
    in the cairo_t will be used for all text width calculations.
```

2.88 Class GtTimer

The GtTimer class encapsulates a timer which can be used for run-time measurements.

Methods

`GtTimer* gt_timer_new(void)`

Return a new GtTimer object.

`GtTimer* gt_timer_new_with_progress_description(const char* description)`

Return a new GtTimer object with the first description.

`void gt_timer_start(GtTimer *t)`

Start the time measurement on t.

`void gt_timer_stop(GtTimer *t)`

Stop the time measurement on t.

`void gt_timer_show(GtTimer *t, FILE *fp)`

Output the current state of t in the format "pointer fp (see `gt_timer_show_formatted`). The timer is then stopped.

`void gt_timer_show_formatted(GtTimer *t, const char *fmt, FILE *fp)`

Output the current state of t in a user-defined format given by `fmt`. `fmt` must be a format string for four elapsed seconds, elapsed microseconds, used usertime in seconds, system time in seconds. The output is written to `fp`.

`void gt_timer_show_progress(GtTimer *t, const char *desc, FILE *fp)`

Output the current state of t on `fp` since the last call of `gt_timer_show_progress()` or the last start of t, along with the current description. The timer is not stopped, but updated with `desc` to be the next description.

`void gt_timer_show_progress_final(GtTimer *t, FILE *fp)`

Output the overall time measured with t from start to now on `fp`.

`void gt_timer_show_cpu_time_by_progress(GtTimer *t)`

Show also user and sys time in output of `gt_timer_show_progress[_final]`

`void gt_timer_omit_last_stage(GtTimer *t)`

Hide output of last stage time in `gt_timer_show_progress_final`

`void gt_timer_delete(GtTimer *t)`

Delete t.

2.89 Class GtTransTable

`GtStrArray* gt_trans_table_get_scheme_descriptions(void)`

Returns a `GtStrArray` of translation scheme descriptions, each of the format `"gt_translator_set_translation_scheme()` and the string is the scheme name.

`GtTransTable* gt_trans_table_new(unsigned int scheme, GtError *err)`

Returns a translation table as given by `scheme` which refers to the numbers as reported by `gt_translator_get_translation_table_descriptions()` or the list given at the NCBI web site <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Utils/wprintgc.cgi>. Returns `NULL` if an error occurred, see `err` for details.

`GtTransTable* gt_trans_table_new_standard(GtError *err)`

Returns the standard translation table.

`const char* gt_trans_table_description(const GtTransTable *tt)`

Returns the description of `tt`.

`int gt_trans_table_translate_codon(const GtTransTable *tt, char c1, char c2, char c3, char *amino, GtError *err)`

Writes the translation for the codon `c1,c2,c3` to the position pointed to by `amino`. The current translation scheme set in `translator` is used. Returns a negative value if an error occurred, see `err` for details. Otherwise, 0 is returned.

`void gt_trans_table_delete(GtTransTable *tt)`

Deletes `tt`.

2.90 Class GtTranslator

The `GtTranslator` can be used to produce 3-frame translations of DNA sequences via an iterator interface.

Methods

`GtTranslator* gt_translator_new_with_table(GtTransTable *tt, GtCodonIterator *ci)`

Creates a new `GtTranslator`, starting its translation at the current position of `ci`. The current reading frame is also taken from the state of `ci`. The translation table `tt` is used.

`GtTranslator* gt_translator_new(GtCodonIterator *ci)`

Creates a new `GtTranslator`, starting its translation at the current position of `ci`. The current reading frame is also taken from the state of `ci`. The standard translation table is used.

`void gt_translator_set_codon_iterator(GtTranslator *translator, GtCodonIterator *ci)`

Reinitializes `translator` with the position and frame status as given in `ci`.

```
void gt_translator_set_translation_table(GtTranslator *translator,
GtTransTable *tt)
```

Selects the translation scheme in translator to the one identified by translation table tt.

```
GtTranslatorStatus gt_translator_next(GtTranslator *translator, char
*translated, unsigned int *frame, GtError *err)
```

Returns the translation of the next codon. The currently translated character is put in translated while the current reading frame is put in frame. Returns GT_TRANSLATOR_ERROR if an error occurred, see err for details. If the end of the sequence region to translate has been reached, GT_TRANSLATOR_END is returned. Otherwise, GT_TRANSLATOR_OK (equal to 0) is returned.

```
GtTranslatorStatus gt_translator_find_startcodon(GtTranslator
*translator, unsigned long *pos, GtError *err)
```

Moves the translator to the beginning of the first codon in dnaseq (of length dnaLen) which is a start codon according to the selected translation scheme in translator. The offset is written to the location pointed to by pos. Returns GT_TRANSLATOR_ERROR if an error occurred, see err for details. If the end of the sequence region to scan has been reached without finding a start codon, GT_TRANSLATOR_END is returned. Otherwise, GT_TRANSLATOR_OK (equal to 0) is returned.

```
GtTranslatorStatus gt_translator_find_stopcodon(GtTranslator *translator,
unsigned long *pos, GtError *err)
```

Moves the translator to the beginning of the first codon in dnaseq (of length dnaLen) which is a stop codon according to the selected translation scheme in translator. The offset is written to the location pointed to by pos. Returns GT_TRANSLATOR_ERROR if an error occurred, see err for details. If the end of the sequence region to scan has been reached without finding a stop codon, GT_TRANSLATOR_END is returned. Otherwise, GT_TRANSLATOR_OK (equal to 0) is returned.

```
GtTranslatorStatus gt_translator_find_codon(GtTranslator *translator,
GtStrArray *codons, unsigned long *pos, GtError *err)
```

Moves the translator to the beginning of the first codon in dnaseq (of length dnaLen) which belongs to the set of codons specified in codons. The offset is written to the location pointed to by pos. Returns GT_TRANSLATOR_ERROR if an error occurred, see err for details. If the end of the sequence region to scan has been reached without finding one of the codons, GT_TRANSLATOR_END is returned. Otherwise, GT_TRANSLATOR_OK (equal to 0) is returned.

```
void gt_translator_delete(GtTranslator *translator)
Delete translator.
```

2.91 Class GtTypeChecker

The GtTypeChecker interface, allows one to check the validity of (genome feature) types.

Methods

```
GtTypeChecker* gt_type_checker_ref(GtTypeChecker *type_checker)
```

Increase the reference count for `type_checker` and return it.

```
bool gt_type_checker_is_valid(GtTypeChecker *type_checker, const char *type)
```

Return true if `type` is a valid type for the given `type_checker`, false otherwise.

```
void gt_type_checker_delete(GtTypeChecker *type_checker)
```

Decrease the reference count for `type_checker` or delete it, if this was the last reference.

2.92 Class GtTypeCheckerOBO

Implements the GtTypeChecker interface with types from an OBO file.

Methods

```
GtTypeChecker* gt_type_checker_obo_new(const char *obo_file_path, GtError *err)
```

Create a new GtTypeChecker* for OBO file with given `obo_file_path`. If the OBO file cannot be parsed correctly, NULL is returned and `err` is set correspondingly.

2.93 Class GtUniqStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface. A GtUniqStream filters out repeated features it retrieves from its node source.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_uniq_stream_new(GtNodeStream*)
```

Create a GtUniqStream object which filters out repeated feature node graphs it retrieves from the sorted `in_stream` and return all other nodes. Two feature node graphs are considered to be *repeated* if they have the same depth-first traversal and each corresponding feature node pair is similar according to the `gt_feature_node_is_similar()` method. For such a repeated feature node graph the one with the higher score (of the top-level feature) is kept. If only one of the feature node graphs has a defined score, this one is kept.

2.94 Class GtVisitorStream

Implements the GtNodeStream interface.

Methods

```
GtNodeStream* gt_visitor_stream_new(GtNodeStream *in_stream,  
GtNodeVisitor *node_visitor)
```

Create a new GtVisitorStream*, takes ownership of node_visitor. This stream applies node_visitor to each node which passes through it. Can be used to implement all streams with such a functionality.

2.95 Module Array2dim

```
#define gt_array2dim_malloc(ARRAY2DIM, ROWS, COLUMNS)
```

Allocates a new 2-dimensional array with dimensions ROWS x COLUMNS and assigns a pointer to the newly allocated space to ARRAY2DIM. The size of each element is determined automatically from the type of the ARRAY2DIM pointer.

```
#define gt_array2dim_calloc(ARRAY2DIM, ROWS, COLUMNS)
```

Allocates a new 2-dimensional array with dimensions ROWS x COLUMNS and assigns a pointer to the newly allocated space to ARRAY2DIM. The allocated space is initialized to be filled with zeroes. The size of each element is determined automatically from the type of the ARRAY2DIM pointer.

```
int gt_array2dim_example(GtError*)
```

An example for usage of the Array2dim module.

```
#define gt_array2dim_delete(ARRAY2DIM)
```

Frees the space allocated for the 2-dimensional array pointed to by ARRAY2DIM.

2.96 Module Assert

```
#define gt_assert(expression)
```

The gt_assert() macro tests the given expression and if it is false, the calling process is terminated. A diagnostic message is written to stderr and the exit(3) function is called (with error code 2 as argument), effectively terminating the program. If expression is true, the gt_assert() macro does nothing.

2.97 Module Bsearch

```
void* gt_bsearch_data(const void *key, const void *base, size_t nmemb,
size_t size, GtCompareWithData, void *data)
```

Similar interface to `bsearch(3)`, except that the `GtCompareWithData` function gets an additional data pointer.

```
void gt_bsearch_all(GtArray *members, const void *key, const void *base,
size_t nmemb, size_t size, GtCompareWithData, void *data)
```

Similar interface to `gt_bsearch_data()`, except that all members which compare as equal are stored in the members array. The order in which the elements are added is undefined.

```
void gt_bsearch_all_mark(GtArray *members, const void *key, const
void *base, size_t nmemb, size_t size, GtCompareWithData, void *data,
GtBittab*)
```

Similar interface to `gt_bsearch_all()`. Additionally, if a bittab is given (which must be of size `nmemb`), the bits corresponding to the found elements are marked (i.e., set).

2.98 Module Countingsort

```
void gt_countingsort(void *out, const void *in, size_t elem_size,
unsigned long size, unsigned long max_elemvalue, void *data,
GtGetElemvalue get_elemvalue)
```

Sort the array of elements pointed to by `in` containing `size` many elements of size `elem_size` and store the result in the array `out` of the same size. `max_elemvalue` denotes the maximum value an element can have. `get_elemvalue` should return an integer value for the given element `elem`.

Implements the counting sort algorithm. For a description see for example page 175 to page 177 of the book:

T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson and R.L. Rivest. *Introduction to Algorithms*. MIT Press: Cambridge, MA, 1990.

```
unsigned long gt_countingsort_get_max(const void *in, size_t elem_size,
unsigned long size, void *data, GtGetElemvalue get_elemvalue)
```

If `max_elemvalue` is not known, it can be determined with this function.

2.99 Module Cstr

`char* gt_cstr_dup(const char *cstr)`

Creates a duplicate of string `cstr` using the GenomeTools memory allocator.

`char** gt_cstr_split(const char *cstr, char sep)`

Splits the `\0`-terminated `cstr` at all positions where `sep` occurs and returns a C string array in which each element is a separate string between the occurrences of `sep`. The string array is terminated by `NULL`. The caller is responsible to free the result.

`char* gt_cstr_dup_nt(const char *cstr, unsigned long length)`

Creates a duplicate of string `cstr` using the GenomeTools memory allocator. The string needs not be `\0`-terminated, instead its `length` must be given.

`void gt_cstr_rep(char *cstr, char f, char t)`

Replace each occurrence of `f` in `cstr` to `t`.

`void gt_cstr_show(const char *cstr, unsigned long length, FILE *outfp)`

Outputs the first `length` characters of the string `cstr` to file pointer `outfp`.

`unsigned long gt_cstr_length_up_to_char(const char *cstr, char c)`

Returns the length of the prefix of `cstr` ending just before `c`, if `cstr` does not contain `c`, `strlen(cstr)` is returned.

`char* gt_cstr_rtrim(char* cstr, char remove)`

Removes all occurrences of `remove` from the right end of `cstr`.

2.100 Module Endianess

`bool gt_is_little_endian(void)`

Returns `true` if host CPU is little-endian, `false` otherwise.

2.101 Module Fileutils

`bool gt_file_exists(const char *path)`

Returns `true` if the file with the given path exists, `false` otherwise.

`bool gt_file_is_newer(const char *a, const char *b)`

Returns `true` if the file with path `a` has a later modification time than the file with path `b`, `false` otherwise.

`unsigned long gt_file_number_of_lines(const char*)`

Returns the number of lines in a file.

```

const char* gt_file_suffix(const char *path)
    Returns the suffix of path, if there is any. Returns "" otherwise. The suffix is the part
    after and including the last '.' but after the last '/'. Except if path ends with ".gz" or
    ".bz2", then the suffix is the part after and including the second last '.'.

void gt_file_dirname(GtStr *path, const char *file)
    Set path to the dirname of file, if it has one, to "" otherwise.

int gt_file_find_in_path(GtStr *path, const char *file, GtError*)
    Find file in PATH, if it has no dirname; set path to dirname otherwise. Set path to the empty string if file could
    not be found.

int gt_file_find_in_env(GtStr *path, const char *file, const char *env,
GtError*)
    Find file in the ':'-separated directory list specified in environment variable
    env, if it has no dirname; set path to dirname otherwise. Set path to the empty string if file could not be found in
    any of the directories.

off_t gt_file_estimate_size(const char *file)
    Return the (estimated) size of file. If file is uncompressed, the exact size is returned.
    If file is compressed, an estimation which assumes that file contains a DNA sequence
    is returned.

off_t gt_files_estimate_total_size(const GtStrArray *filenames)
    Return the (estimated) total size of all files given in filenames. Uses
    gt_file_estimate_size().

int gt_files_guess_if_protein_sequences(const GtStrArray *filenames,
GtError *err)
    Guess if the sequences contained in the files given in filenames are protein sequences.
    Returns 1 if the guess is that the files contain protein sequences. Returns 0 if the guess
    is that the files contain DNA sequences. Returns -1 if an error occurs while reading the
    files (err is set accordingly).

```

2.102 Module FunctionPointer

```

int (*GtCompare)(const void *a, const void *b)
    Functions of this type return less than 0 if a is smaller than b, 0 if a is equal to b, and
    greater 0 if a is larger than b. Thereby, the operators smaller, equal, and larger are
    implementation dependent. Do not count on these functions to return -1, 0, or 1!

int (*GtCompareWithData)(const void*, const void*, void *data)
    Similar to GtCompare, but with an additional data pointer.

void (*GtFree)(void*)
    The generic free function pointer type.

```

2.103 Module Grep

`int gt_grep(bool *match, const char *pattern, const char *line, GtError*)`
Set match to true if pattern matches line, to false otherwise.

2.104 Module Init

`void gt_lib_init(void)`
Initialize this *GenomeTools* library instance. This has to be called before the library is used!

`void gt_lib_reg_atexit_func(void)`
Registers exit function which calls `gt_lib_clean()` at exit.

`int gt_lib_clean(void)`
Returns 0 if no memory map, file pointer, or memory has been leaked and a value != 0 otherwise.

2.105 Module Log

`void gt_log_enable(void)`
Enable logging.

`bool gt_log_enabled(void)`
Returns true if logging is enabled, false otherwise

`void gt_log_log(const char *format, ...)`
Prints the log message obtained from format and following parameters according if logging is enabled. The logging output is prefixed with the string "debug: " and finished by a newline.

`void gt_log_vlog(const char *format, va_list)`
Prints the log message obtained from format and following parameter according to if logging is enabled analog to `gt_log_log()`. But in contrast to `gt_log_log()` `gt_log_vlog()` does not accept individual arguments but a single `va_list` argument instead.

`FILE* gt_log_fp(void)`
Return logging file pointer.

`void gt_log_set_fp(FILE *fp)`
Set logging file pointer to `fp`.

2.106 Module MemoryAllocation

`#define gt_malloc(size)`

Allocate **uninitialized** space for an object whose size is specified by `size` and return it. Besides the fact that it never returns NULL analog to `malloc(3)`.

`#define gt_calloc(nmemb, size)`

Allocate contiguous space for an array of `nmemb` objects, each of whose size is `size`. The space is initialized to zero. Besides the fact that it never returns NULL analog to `calloc(3)`.

`#define gt_realloc(ptr, size)`

Change the size of the object pointed to by `ptr` to `size` bytes and return a pointer to the (possibly moved) object. Besides the fact that it never returns NULL analog to `realloc(3)`.

`#define gt_free(ptr)`

Free the space pointed to by `ptr`. If `ptr` equals NULL, no action occurs. Analog to `free(3)`.

`void gt_free_func(void *ptr)`

Analog to `gt_free()`, but usable as a function pointer.

2.107 Module Msort

`void gt_msort(void *base, size_t nmemb, size_t size, GtCompare compar)`

Sorts an array of `nmemb` elements, each of size `size`, according to compare function `compar`. Uses the merge sort algorithm, the interface equals `qsort(3)`.

`void gt_msort_r(void *base, size_t nmemb, size_t size, void *comparinfo, GtCompareWithData compar)`

Identical to `gt_msort()` except that the compare function is of `GtCompareWithData` type accepting `comparinfo` as arbitrary data.

2.108 Module POSIX

`char* gt_basename(const char *path)`

This module implements the function `gt_basename()` according to the specifications in <http://www.unix-systems.org/onlinepubs/7908799/xsh/basename.html> and <http://www.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/009695399/>

`gt_basename()` is equivalent to the function `basename(3)` which is available on most unix systems, but in different libraries and with slightly different functionality.

`gt_basename()` takes the pathname pointed to by `path` and returns a pointer to the final component of the pathname, deleting any trailing `'/'` characters.

If `path` consists entirely of the `'/'` character, then `gt_basename()` returns a pointer to the string `"/"`.

If `path` is a null pointer or points to an empty string, `gt_basename()` returns a pointer to the string `""`.

See the implementation of `gt_basename_unit_test()` for additional examples.

The caller is responsible for freeing the received pointer!

2.109 Module Parseutils

`int gt_parse_int(int *out, const char *nptr)`

Parse integer from `nptr` and store result in `out`. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

`int gt_parse_uint(unsigned int *out, const char *nptr)`

Parse unsigned integer from `nptr` and store result in `out`. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

`int gt_parse_long(long *out, const char *nptr)`

Parse long from `nptr` and store result in `out`. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

`int gt_parse_ulong(unsigned long *out, const char *nptr)`

Parse unsigned long from `nptr` and store result in `out`. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

`int gt_parse_double(double *out, const char *nptr)`

Parse double from `nptr` and store result in `out`. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

`int gt_parse_range(GtRange *rng, const char *start, const char *end, unsigned int line_number, const char *filename, GtError*)`

Parse a range given by `start` and `end`, writing the result into `rng`. Enforces that `start` is smaller or equal than `end`. Give `filename` and `line_number` for error reporting. Returns 0 upon success and -1 upon failure.

```
int gt_parse_range_tidy(GtRange *rng, const char *start, const char *end,
unsigned int line_number, const char *filename, GtError*)
```

Like `gt_parse_range`, but issues a warning if `start` is larger than `end` and swaps both values. It also issues a warning, if `start` and/or `end` is not-positive and sets the corresponding value to 1.

```
void gt_fasta_show_entry(const char *description, const char *sequence,
unsigned long sequence_length, unsigned long width, GtFile *outfp)
```

Print a fasta entry with optional description and mandatory sequence to `outfp`. If width is `!= 0` the sequence is formatted accordingly.

2.110 Module Qsort

```
void gt_qsort_r(void *a, size_t n, size_t es, void *data,
GtCompareWithData cmp)
```

Like `qsort(3)`, but allows an additional data pointer passed to the `GtCompareWithData` comparison function `cmp`.

2.111 Module Strcmp

```
int gt_strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2)
```

Returns 0 if `s1 == s2`, otherwise the equivalent of `strcmp(s1, s2)`. Useful as a performance improvement in some cases (for example, to compare symbols).

2.112 Module Symbol

```
const char* gt_symbol(const char *cstr)
```

Return a symbol (a canonical representation) for `cstr`. An advantage of symbols is that they can be compared for equality by a simple pointer comparison, rather than using `strcmp()` (as it is done in `gt_strcmp()`). Furthermore, a symbol is stored only once in memory for equal `cstrs`, but keep in mind that this memory can never be freed safely during the lifetime of the calling program. Therefore, it should only be used for a small set of `cstrs`.

2.113 Module Undef

```
#define GT_UNDEF_BOOL
```

The undefined `bool` value.

```
#define GT_UNDEF_CHAR
```

The undefined `char` value.

```

#define GT_UNDEF_DOUBLE
    The undefined double value.
#define GT_UNDEF_FLOAT
    The undefined float value.
#define GT_UNDEF_INT
    The undefined int value.
#define GT_UNDEF_LONG
    The undefined long value.
#define GT_UNDEF_UCHAR
    The undefined <unsigned char> value.
#define GT_UNDEF_UINT
    The undefined <unsigned int> value.
#define GT_UNDEF_ULONG
    The undefined <unsigned long> value.

```

2.114 Module Unused

```

#define GT_UNUSED
    Unused function arguments should be annotated with this macro to get rid of compiler
    warnings.

```

2.115 Module Version

```

const char* gt_version_check(unsigned int required_major, unsigned int
required_minor, unsigned int required_micro)

```

Check that the *GenomeTools* library in use is compatible with the given version. Generally you would pass in the constants `GT_MAJOR_VERSION`, `GT_MINOR_VERSION`, and `GT_MICRO_VERSION` as the three arguments to this function.

Returns `NULL` if the *GenomeTools* library is compatible with the given version, or a string describing the version mismatch, if the library is not compatible.

2.116 Module Warning

```

void (*GtWarningHandler)(void *data, const char *format, va_list ap)
    Handler type used to process warnings.
void gt_warning(const char *format, ...)
    Print a warning according to format and ..., if a handler is set.

```

`void gt_warning_disable(void)`

Disable that warnings are shown. That is, subsequent `gt_warning()` calls have no effect.

`void gt_warning_set_handler(GtWarningHandler warn_handler, void *data)`

Set `warn_handler` to handle all warnings issued with `gt_warning()`. The data is passed to `warning_handler` on each invocation.

`void gt_warning_default_handler(void *data, const char *format, va_list ap)`

The default warning handler which prints on `stderr`. "warning: " is prepended and a newline is appended to the message defined by `format` and `ap`. Does not use `data`.

`GtWarningHandler gt_warning_get_handler(void)`

Return currently used `GtWarningHandler`.

`void* gt_warning_get_data(void)`

Return currently used data which is passed to the currently used `GtWarningHandler`.

2.117 Module XANSI

`void gt_xatexit(void (*function))`

Similar to `atexit(3)`, terminates on error.

`void gt_xfclose(FILE*)`

Similar to `fclose(3)`, terminates on error.

`void gt_xfflush(FILE*)`

Similar to `fflush(3)`, terminates on error.

`int gt_xfgetc(FILE*)`

Similar to `fgetc(3)`, terminates on error.

`char* gt_xfgets(char *s, int size, FILE *stream)`

Similar to `fgets(3)`, terminates on error.

`void gt_xfgetpos(FILE*, fpos_t*)`

Similar to `fgetpos(3)`, terminates on error.

`FILE* gt_xfopen(const char *path, const char *mode)`

Similar to `fopen(3)`, terminates on error.

`void gt_xfputc(int, FILE*)`

Similar to `fputc(3)`, terminates on error.

`void gt_xfputs(const char*, FILE*)`

Similar to `fputs(3)`, terminates on error.

```

size_t gt_xfread(void *ptr, size_t size, size_t nmemb, FILE*)
    Similar to fread(3), terminates on error.
#define gt_xfread_one(ptr, fp)
    shortcut to gt_xfread
void gt_xfseek(FILE*, long offset, int whence)
    Similar to fseek(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xfsetpos(FILE*, const fpos_t*)
    Similar to fsetpos(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xfwrite(const void *ptr, size_t size, size_t nmemb, FILE*)
    Similar to fwrite(3), terminates on error.
#define gt_xfwrite_one(ptr, fp)
    shortcut to gt_xfwrite
void gt_xputchar(int)
    Similar to putchar(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xputs(const char*)
    Similar to puts(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xremove(const char*)
    Similar to remove(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xungetc(int, FILE*)
    Similar to ungetc(3), terminates on error.
void gt_xvfprintf(FILE *stream, const char *format, va_list ap)
    Similar to fprintf(3), terminates on error.
int gt_xvsnprintf(char *str, size_t size, const char *format, va_list ap)
    Similar to vsnprintf(3), terminates on error.

```