

# flowCore

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actionItem-class    *Class "actionItem"*

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## Description

Class and method to capture standard operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

## Details

`actionItems` provide a means to bind standard operations on flow cytometry data in a workflow. Usually, the user doesn't have to create these objects, instead they will be automatically created when applying one of the standard operations (gating, transformation, compensation) to a `workFlow` object. Each `actionItem` creates one or several new `views`, which again can be the basis to apply further operations. One can conceptualize `actionItems` being the edges in the workflow tree connecting `views`, which are the nodes of the tree. There are more specific subclasses for the three possible types of operation: `gateActionItem` for gating operations, `transformActionItem` for transformations, and `compensateActionItem` for compensation operations. See their documentation for details.

## Objects from the Class

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

## Slots

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**parentView:** Object of class "fcViewReference". A reference to the parent `view` the `actionItem` is applied on.

**alias:** Object of class "fcAliasReference". A reference to the alias table.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**Methods**

- identifier** signature(object = "actionItem"): Accessor for the ID slot.
- names** signature(x = "actionItem"): Accessor for the name slot.
- parent** signature(object = "actionItem"): Accessor for the parentView slot. Note that the reference is resolved, i.e., the `view` object is returned.
- alias** signature(object = "actionItem"): Get the alias table from a `actionItem`.
- Rm** signature(symbol = "actionItem", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a `actionItem` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent `views` and `actionItems`.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `gateActionItem`, `transformActionItem`, `compensateActionItem`, `view`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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`arcsinhTransform`     *Create the definition of an arcsinh transformation function (base specified by user) to be applied on a data set*

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**Description**

Create the definition of the arcsinh Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x \leftarrow \text{asinh}(a + b \cdot x) + c$ . The transformation would normally be used to convert to a linear valued parameter to the natural logarithm scale. By default `a` and `b` are both equal to 1 and `c` to 0.

**Usage**

```
arcsinhTransform(transformationId="defaultArcsinhTransform", a=1, b=1, c=0)
```

**Arguments**

- `transformationId`  
character string to identify the transformation
- `a`  
positive double that correponds to the base of the logarithm.
- `b`  
positive double that correponds to a scale factor.
- `c`  
positive double that correponds to a scale factor

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**[transform-class](#), [transform](#), [asinh](#)**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
asinhTrans <- arcsinhTransform(transformationId="ln-transformation", a=1, b=1, c=1)
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=asinhTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

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asinh-class	<i>Class "asinh"</i>
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**Description**

Inverse hyperbolic sin transformation is defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a, b) = \sinh^{-1}(a * \text{parameter}) * b$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `asinh` (`parameter, a, b, transformationId`)

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`a`: Object of class "numeric" -non zero constant  
`b`: Object of class "numeric" -non zero constant  
`parameters`: Object of class "transformation" -flow parameter to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character" -unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransform](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 2. Class "[ttransformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 3. Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "asinh" in the signature.

**Note**

The inverse hyperbolic sin transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

sinht

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
asinh1<-asinht(parameters="FSC-H", a=2, b=1, transformationId="asinH1")
transOut<-eval(asinh1)(exprs(dat))
```

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 biexponentialTransform

*Compute a transform using the 'biexponential' function*


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**Description**

The 'biexponential' is an over-parameterized inverse of the hyperbolic sine. The function to be inverted takes the form  $\text{biexp}(x) = a \cdot \exp(b \cdot (x-w)) - c \cdot \exp(-d \cdot (x-w)) + f$  with default parameters selected to correspond to the hyperbolic sine.

**Usage**

```
biexponentialTransform(transformationId="defaultBiexponentialTransform", a = 0.5
```

**Arguments**

transformationId	A name to assign to the transformation. Used by the transform/filter integration routines.
a	See the function description above. Defaults to 0.5
b	See the function description above. Defaults to 1.0
c	See the function description above. Defaults to 0.5 (the same as a)
d	See the function description above. Defaults to 1 (the same as b)
f	A constant bias for the intercept. Defaults to 0.
w	A constant bias for the 0 point of the data. Defaults to 0.
tol	A tolerance to pass to the inversion routine ( <a href="#">uniroot</a> usually)
maxit	A maximum number of iterations to use, also passed to <a href="#">uniroot</a>

**Value**

Returns values giving the inverse of the biexponential within a certain tolerance. This function should be used with care as numerical inversion routines often have problems with the inversion process due to the large range of values that are essentially 0. Do not be surprised if you end up with population splitting about w and other odd artifacts.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, N Gopalakrishnan

**See Also**

[transform](#)

**Examples**

```
# Construct some "flow-like" data which tends to be heteroscedastic.
data(GvHD)
biexp <- biexponentialTransform("myTransform")
after.1 <- transform(GvHD, `FSC-H` = biexp(`FSC-H`))

biexp <- biexponentialTransform("myTransform", w=10)
after.2 <- transform(GvHD, `FSC-H` = biexp(`FSC-H`))

opar = par(mfcol=c(3, 1))
plot(density(exprs(GvHD[[1]])[, 1]), main="Original")
plot(density(exprs(after.1[[1]])[, 1]), main="Standard Transform")
plot(density(exprs(after.2[[1]])[, 1]), main="Shifted Zero Point")
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boundaryFilter-class

*Class "boundaryFilter"*

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**Description**

Class and constructor for data-driven [filter](#) objects that discard margin events.

**Usage**

```
boundaryFilter(x, tolerance=.Machine$double.eps, side=c("both", "lower",
"upper"), filterId="defaultBoundaryFilter")
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Character giving the name(s) of the measurement parameter(s) on which the filter is supposed to work. Note that all events on the margins of any of the channels provided by <code>x</code> will be discarded, which is often not desired. Such events may not convey much information in the particular channel on which their value falls on the margin, however they may well be informative in other channels.
<code>tolerance</code>	Numeric vector, used to set the <code>tolerance</code> slot of the object. Can be set separately for each element in <code>x</code> . R's recycling rules apply.
<code>side</code>	Character vector, used to set the <code>side</code> slot of the object. Can be set separately for each element in <code>x</code> . R's recycling rules apply.
<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> slot of this filter. The object can later be identified by this name.

## Details

Flow cytometry instruments usually operate on a given data range, and the limits of this range are stored as keywords in the FSC files. Depending on the amplification settings and the dynamic range of the measured signal, values can occur that are outside of the measurement range, and most instruments will simply pile those values at the minimum or maximum range limit. The `boundaryFilter` removes these values, either for a single parameter, or for a combination of parameters. Note that it is often desirable to treat boundary events on a per-parameter basis, since their values might be uninformative for one particular channel, but still be useful in all of the other channels.

The constructor `boundaryFilter` is a convenience function for object instantiation. Evaluating a `boundaryFilter` results in a single sub-populations, an hence in an object of class `filterResult`.

## Value

Returns a `boundaryFilter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

## Extends

Class "`parameterFilter`", directly.

Class "`concreteFilter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class "`filter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

## Slots

**tolerance:** Object of class "`numeric`". The machine tolerance used to decide whether an event is on the measurement boundary. Essentially, this is done by evaluating `x > minRange + tolerance & x < maxRange - tolerance`.

**side:** Object of class "`character`". The margin on which to evaluate the filter. Either `upper` for the upper margin or `lower` for the lower margin or `both` for both margins.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("boundaryFilter", ...)` or using the constructor `boundaryFilter`. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

## Methods

**`%in%`** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `table = "boundaryFilter"`): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**`show`** signature(`object = "boundaryFilter"`): Print information about the filter.

## Author(s)

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

[flowFrame](#), [flowSet](#), [filter](#) for evaluation of boundaryFilters and [Subset](#) for subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create directly. Most likely from a command line
boundaryFilter("FSC-H", filterId="myBoundaryFilter")

## To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
bf <- boundaryFilter(filterId="myBoundaryFilter", x=c("FSC-H"))

## Filtering using boundaryFilter
fres <- filter(dat, bf)
fres
summary(fres)

## We can subset the data with the result from the filtering operation.
Subset(dat, fres)

## A boundaryFilter on the lower margins of several channels
bf2 <- boundaryFilter(x=c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), side="lower")
```

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```
characterOrTransformation-class
      Class "characterOrTransformation"
```

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**Description**

~~ A concise (1-5 lines) description of what the class is. ~~

**Objects from the Class**

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "characterOrTransformation" in the signature.

**Note**

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**Author(s)**

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**References**

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**Examples**

```
showClass("characterOrTransformation")
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coerce	<i>Convert an object to another class</i>
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**Description**

These functions manage the relations that allow coercing an object to a given class.

**Arguments**

`from`, `to`      The classes between which `def` performs coercion. (In the case of the `coerce` function, these are objects from the classes, not the names of the classes, but you're not expected to call `coerce` directly.)

**Details**

The function supplied as the third argument is to be called to implement `as(x, to)` when `x` has class `from`. Need we add that the function should return a suitable object with class `to`.

**Author(s)**

F. Hahne, B. Ellis

**Examples**

```
samp1 <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.E07", package="flowCore"))
samp2 <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
samples <- list("sample1"=samp1, "sample2"=samp2)
experiment <- as(samples, "flowSet")
```

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compensateActionItem-class	<i>Class "compensateActionItem"</i>
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**Description**

Class and method to capture compensation operations in a flow cytometry workflow.



## Usage

```
compensateActionItem(ID = paste("compActionRef", guid(), sep = "_"),
  name = paste("action", identifier(get(compensate)), sep = "_"),
  parentView, compensate, workflow)
```

## Arguments

`workflow` An object of class `workFlow` for which a view is to be created.

`ID` A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal `guid` function.

`name` A more human-readable name of the view.

`parentView, compensate` References to the parent `view` and `compensation` objects, respectively.

## Details

`compensateActionItems` provide a means to bind compensation operations in a workflow. Each `compensateActionItem` represents a single `compensation`.

## Value

A reference to the `compensateActionItem` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `compensateActionItem` object for the constructor.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `compensateActionItem` from a `compensation` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `compensateActionItem` constructor function for more programmatic access.

## Slots

`compensate`: Object of class `"fcCompensateReference"`. A reference to the `compensation` object that is used for the compensation operation.

`ID`: Object of class `"character"`. A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

`name`: Object of class `"character"`. A more human-readable name

`parentView`: Object of class `"fcViewReference"`. A reference to the parent `view` the `compensateActionItem` is applied on.

`env`: Object of class `"environment"`. The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

## Extends

Class `"actionItem"`, directly.

**Methods**

**print** signature(x = "compensateActionItem"): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature(symbol = "compensateActionItem", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a compensateActionItem from a [workFlow](#). This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and [actionItems](#).

**show** signature(object = "compensateActionItem"): Print details about the object.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

[workFlow](#), [actionItem](#), [gateActionItem](#), [transformActionItem](#), [view](#)

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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```
compensatedParameter-class
      Class "compensatedParameter"
```

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**Description**

Emission spectral overlap can be corrected by subtracting the the amount of spectral overlap from the total detected signals. This compensation process can be described by using spillover matrices.

compensatedParameter objects allow for compensation of specific parameters the user is interested in by creating compensatedParameter objects and evaluating them. This allows for use of compensatedParameter in gate definitions.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `compensatedParameter(parameters, spillRefId, transform`

**Slots**

**.Data:** Object of class "function" ~~

**parameters:** Object of class "character" -flow parameters to be compensated

**spillRefId:** Object of class "character" -name of the compensation object (The compensation object contains the spillover Matrix)

**searchEnv:** Object of class "environment" -environment in which the compensation object is defined

**transformationId:** Object of class "character" -unique Id to reference the compensatedParameter object

**Extends**

Class "`transform`", directly. Class "`transformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 2.  
 Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 3.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "`compensatedParameter`" in the signature.

**Note**

The transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N,F.Hahne

**References**

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**See Also**

`compensation`

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.flowSet(path=system.file("extdata", "compdata", "data", package="flowCore")
cfile <- system.file("extdata", "compdata", "compmatrix", package="flowCore")
comp.mat <- read.table(cfile, header=TRUE, skip=2, check.names = FALSE)
comp.mat

## create a compensation object
comp <- compensation(comp.mat, compensationId="comp1")
## create a compensated parameter object
cPar1<-compensatedParameter(c("FL1-H", "FL3-H"), "comp", searchEnv=.GlobalEnv)
compOut<-eval(cPar1)(exprs(samp[[1]]))
```

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compensateView-class

*Class "compensateView"*

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**Description**

Class and method to capture the result of compensation operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

**Usage**

```
compensateView(workflow, ID=paste("compViewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
               name="default", action, data)
```

**Arguments**

<code>workflow</code>	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
<code>ID</code>	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>data, action</code>	References to the data and <code>actionItem</code> objects, respectively.

**Value**

A reference to the `compensateView` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `compensateView` object for the constructor.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `compensateView` from a `compensation` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `compensateView` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the `actionItem` that generated the view.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**data:** Object of class "fcDataReference" A reference to the data that is associated to the view.

**Extends**

Class "`view`", directly.

**Methods**

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "compensateView", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character")`: Remove a `compensateView` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `view`, `gateView`, `transformView`, `normalizeView`, `actionItem`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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compensation-class *Class "compensation"*

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### Description

Class and methods to compensate for spillover between channels by applying a spillover matrix to a `flowSet` or a `flowFrame` assuming a simple linear combination of values.

### Usage

```
compensation(..., spillover,
             compensationId="defaultCompensation")

compensate(x, spillover, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>spillover</code>	The spillover or compensation matrix.
<code>compensationId</code>	The identifier for the compensation object.
<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>flowFrame</code> or <code>flowSet</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments.

The constructor is designed to be useful in both programmatic and interactive settings, and `...` serves as a container for possible arguments. The following combinations of values are allowed:

Elements in `...` are character scalars of parameter names or `transform` objects and the colnames in `spillover` match to these parameter names.

The first element in `...` is a character vector of parameter names or a list of character scalars or `transform` objects and the colnames in `spillover` match to these parameter names.

Argument `spillover` is missing and the first element in `...` is a matrix, in which case it is assumed to be the spillover matrix.

`...` is missing, in which case all parameter names are taken from the colnames of `spillover`.

### Details

The essential premise of compensation is that some fluorochromes may register signals in detectors that do not correspond to their primary detector (usually a photomultiplier tube). To compensate for this fact, some sort of standard is used to obtain the background signal (no dye) and the amount of signal on secondary channels for each fluorochrome relative to the signal on their primary channel.

To calculate the spillover percentage we use either the mean or the median (more often the latter) of the secondary signal minus the background signal for each dye to obtain  $n$  by  $n$  matrix,  $S$ , of so-called spillover values, expressed as a percentage of the primary channel. The observed values are then considered to be a linear combination of the true fluorescence and the spillover from each other channel so we can obtain the true values by simply multiplying by the inverse of the spillover matrix.

The spillover matrix can be obtained through several means. Some flow cytometers provide a spillover matrix calculated during acquisition, possibly by the operator, that is made available in the metadata of the flowFrame. While there is a theoretical standard keyword \$SPILL it can also be found in the SPILLOVER or SPILL keyword depending on the cytometry. More commonly the spillover matrix is calculated using a series of compensation cells or beads collected before the experiment. If you have set of FCS files with one file per fluorochrome as well as an unstained FCS file you can use the `spillover` method for `flowSets` to automatically calculate a spillover matrix.

The `compensation` class is essentially a wrapper around a `matrix` that allows for transformed parameters and method dispatch.

## Value

A `compensation` object for the constructor.

A `flowFrame` or `flowSet` for the `compensate` methods.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the constructor `compensation()`. See the Usage and Arguments sections for details.

## Slots

`spillover`: Object of class `matrix`; the spillover matrix.

`compensationId`: Object of class `character`. An identifier for the object.

`parameters`: Object of class `parameters`. The flow parameters for which the compensation is defined. This can also be objects of class `transform`, in which case the compensation is performed on the compensated parameters.

## Methods

**compensate** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `spillover = "compensation"`): Apply the compensation defined in a `compensation` object on a `flowFrame`. This returns a compensated `flowFrame`.

*Usage:*

```
compensate(flowFrame, compensation)
```

**compensate** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `spillover = "matrix"`): Apply a compensation matrix to a `flowFrame`. This returns a compensated `flowFrame`.

*Usage:*

```
compensate(flowFrame, matrix)
```

**compensate** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `spillover = "data.frame"`): Try to coerce the `data.frame` to a `matrix` and apply that to a `flowFrame`. This returns a compensated `flowFrame`.

*Usage:*

```
compensate(flowFrame, data.frame)
```

**identifier, identifier<-** signature(`object = "compensation"`): Accessor and replacement methods for the `compensationId` slot.

*Usage:*

```
identifier(compensation)
```

```
identifier(compensation) <- value
```

**parameters** signature(object = "compensation"): Get the parameter names of the compensation object. This method also tries to resolve all [transforms](#) and [transformReferences](#) before returning the parameters as character vectors. Unresolvable references return NA.

*Usage:*

```
parameters(compensation)
```

**show** signature(object = "compensation"): Print details about the object.

*Usage:*

This method is automatically called when the object is printed on the screen.

### Author(s)

F.Hahne, B. Ellis, N. Le Meur

### See Also

[spillover](#)

### Examples

```
## Read sample data and a sample spillover matrix
samp  <- read.flowSet(path=system.file("extdata", "compdata", "data",
                                       package="flowCore"))
cfile <- system.file("extdata", "compdata", "compmatrix", package="flowCore")
comp.mat <- read.table(cfile, header=TRUE, skip=2, check.names = FALSE)
comp.mat

## compensate using the spillover matrix directly
summary(samp)
samp <- compensate(samp, comp.mat)
summary(samp)

## create a compensation object and compensate using that
comp <- compensation(comp.mat)
compensate(samp, comp)
```

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concreteFilter-class
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```
  Class "concreteFilter"
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### Description

The `concreteFilter` serves as a base class for all filters that actually implement a filtering process. At the moment this includes all filters except [filterReference](#), the only non-concrete filter at present.

### Objects from the Class

Objects of this class should never be created directly. It serves only as a point of inheritance.

### Slots

**filterId:** The identifier associated with this class.

**Extends**

Class "[filter](#)", directly.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

[parameterFilter](#)

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curv1Filter-class *Class "curv1Filter"*

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**Description**

Class and constructor for data-driven [filter](#) objects that selects high-density regions in one dimension.

**Usage**

```
curv1Filter(x, bwFac=1.2, gridsize=rep(401, 2),
  filterId="defaultCurv1Filter")
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Character giving the name of the measurement parameter on which the filter is supposed to work on. This can also be a list containing a single character scalar for programmatic access.
<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> slot of this filter. The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>bwFac, gridsize</code>	Numerics of length 1 and 2, respectively, used to set the <code>bwFac</code> and <code>gridsize</code> slots of the object.

**Details**

Areas of high local density in one dimensions are identified by detecting significant curvature regions. See *Duong, T. and Cowling, A. and Koch, I. and Wand, M.P., Computational Statistics and Data Analysis 52/9, 2008* for details. The constructor `curv1Filter` is a convenience function for object instantiation. Evaluating a `curv1Filter` results in potentially multiple sub-populations, and hence in an object of class `multipleFilterResult`. Accordingly, `curv1Filters` can be used to split flow cytometry data sets.

**Value**

Returns a `curv1Filter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.



## Extends

Class "[parameterFilter](#)", directly.

Class "[concreteFilter](#)", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class "[filter](#)", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

## Slots

`bwFac`: Object of class "numeric". The bandwidth factor used for smoothing of the density estimate.

`gridsize`: Object of class "numeric". The size of the bins used for density estimation.

`parameters`: Object of class "character", describing the parameter used to filter the `flowFrame`.

`filterId`: Object of class "character", referencing the filter.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("curvFilter", ...)` or using the constructor `curv1Filter`. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

## Methods

**`%in%`** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `table = "curv1Filter"`): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the [filter](#) methods.

**`show`** signature(`object = "curv1Filter"`): Print information about the filter.

## Note

See the documentation in the [flowViz](#) package for plotting of `curv1Filters`.

## Author(s)

Florian Hahne

## See Also

[curv2Filter](#), [flowFrame](#), [flowSet](#), [filter](#) for evaluation of `curv1Filters` and [split](#) for splitting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

## Examples

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create directly. Most likely from a command line
curv1Filter("FSC-H", filterId="myCurv1Filter", bwFac=2)

## To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
clf <- curv1Filter(filterId="myCurv1Filter", x=list("FSC-H"), bwFac=2)

## Filtering using curv1Filter
```

```
fres <- filter(dat, clf)
fres
summary(fres)
names(fres)

## The result of curv1 filtering are multiple sub-populations
## and we can split our data set accordingly
split(dat, fres)

## We can limit the splitting to one or several sub-populations
split(dat, fres, population="rest")
split(dat, fres, population=list(keep=c("peak 2", "peak 3")))
```

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curv2Filter-class *Class "curv2Filter"*

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## Description

Class and constructor for data-driven `filter` objects that selects high-density regions in two dimensions.

## Usage

```
curv2Filter(x, y, filterId="defaultCurv2Filter", bwFac=1.2,
  gridSize=rep(151, 2))
```

## Arguments

<code>x, y</code>	Characters giving the names of the measurement parameter on which the filter is supposed to work on. <code>y</code> can be missing in which case <code>x</code> is expected to be a character vector of length 2 or a list of characters.
<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> slot of this filter. The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>bwFac, gridSize</code>	Numerics of length 1 and 2, respectively, used to set the <code>bwFac</code> and <code>gridSize</code> slots of the object.

## Details

Areas of high local density in two dimensions are identified by detecting significant curvature regions. See *Duong, T. and Cowling, A. and Koch, I. and Wand, M.P., Computational Statistics and Data Analysis 52/9, 2008* for details. The constructor `curv2Filter` is a convenience function for object instantiation. Evaluating a `curv2Filter` results in potentially multiple sub-populations, and hence in an object of class `multipleFilterResult`. Accordingly, `curv2Filters` can be used to split flow cytometry data sets.

## Value

Returns a `curv2Filter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

**Extends**

Class `"parameterFilter"`, directly.

Class `"concreteFilter"`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class `"filter"`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

**Slots**

`bwFac`: Object of class `"numeric"`. The bandwidth factor used for smoothing of the density estimate.

`gridsize`: Object of class `"numeric"`. The size of the bins used for density estimation.

`parameters`: Object of class `"character"`, describing the parameters used to filter the `flowFrame`.

`filterId`: Object of class `"character"`, referencing the filter.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("curv2Filter", ...)` or using the constructor `curv2Filter`. The constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

**Methods**

**%in%** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `table = "curv2Filter"`): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** signature(`object = "curv2Filter"`): Print information about the filter.

**Note**

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for plotting of `curv2Filters`.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`curv1Filter`, `flowFrame`, `flowSet`, `filter` for evaluation of `curv2Filters` and `split` for splitting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create directly. Most likely from a command line
curv2Filter("FSC-H", "SSC-H", filterId="myCurv2Filter")

## To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
c2f <- curv2Filter(filterId="myCurv2Filter", x=list("FSC-H", "SSC-H"),
bwFac=2)
c2f <- curv2Filter(filterId="myCurv2Filter", x=c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"),
bwFac=2)
```

```
## Filtering using curv2Filter
fres <- filter(dat, c2f)
fres
summary(fres)
names(fres)

## The result of curv2 filtering are multiple sub-populations
## and we can split our data set accordingly
split(dat, fres)

## We can limit the splitting to one or several sub-populations
split(dat, fres, population="rest")
split(dat, fres, population=list(keep=c("area 2", "area 3")))

curv2Filter("FSC-H", "SSC-H", filterId="test filter")
```

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dglpolynomial-class

*Class "dglpolynomial"*


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### Description

dglpolynomial allows for scaling, linear combination and translation within a single transformation defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}_1, \dots, \text{parameter}_n, a_1, \dots, a_n, b) = b + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i * \text{parameter}_i$$

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by using the constructor `dglpolynomial(parameter, a, b, transformationId)`.

### Slots

**.Data:** Object of class "function" ~~  
**parameters:** Object of class "parameters" -the flow parameters that are to be transformed  
**a:** Object of class "numeric" - coefficients of length equal to the number of flow parameters  
**b:** Object of class "numeric" - coefficient of length 1 that performs the translation  
**transformationId:** Object of class "character" unique ID to reference the transformation

### Extends

Class "[ttransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransformation](#)", by class "transform", distance 2.  
Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "transform", distance 3.

### Methods

No methods defined with class "dglpolynomial" in the signature.

**Note**

The transformation object can be evaluated using the eval method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

ratio,quadratic,squareroot

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))
dgl<-dglpolynomial(c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), a=c(1,2), b=1, transformationId="dgl")
transOut<-eval(dgl)(exprs(dat))
```

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each\_col

*Method to apply functions over flowFrame margins*

---

**Description**

Returns a vector or array of values obtained by applying a function to the margins of a flowFrame. This is equivalent of running `apply` on the output of `exprs(flowFrame)`.

**Usage**

```
each_col(x, FUN, ...)
each_row(x, FUN, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object of class <code>flowFrame</code> .
FUN	the function to be applied. In the case of functions like '+', '%*%', etc., the function name must be backquoted or quoted.
...	optional arguments to 'FUN'.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, N. LeMeur, F. Hahne

**See Also**

`apply`

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"),
transformation="linearize")
each_col(samp, summary)
```

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EHtrans-class	Class "EHtrans"
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**Description**

EH transformation of a parameter is defined by the function

$$EH(\text{parameter}, a, b) = 10^{\left(\frac{\text{parameter}}{a}\right)} + \frac{b * \text{parameter}}{a} - 1 \quad \text{parameter} \geq 0$$

$$-10^{\left(\frac{-\text{parameter}}{a}\right)} + \frac{b * \text{parameter}}{a} + 1 \quad \text{parameter} < 0$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `EHtrans(parameters, a, b, transformationId)`

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`a`: Object of class "numeric" -numeric constant greater than zero  
`b`: Object of class "numeric" -numeric constant greater than zero  
`parameters`: Object of class "transformation" - flow parameter to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character"- unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`singleParameterTransform`", directly. Class "`ttransform`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 2. Class "`transformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 3. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "EHtrans" in the signature.

**Note**

The transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

hyperlog

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
                           package="flowCore"))
eh1<-EHtrans("FSC-H", a=1250, b=4, transformationId="eh1")
transOut<-eval(eh1)(exprs(dat))
```

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ellipsoidGate-class

*Class "ellipsoidGate"*

---

**Description**

Class and constructor for n-dimensional ellipsoidal [filter](#) objects.

**Usage**

```
ellipsoidGate(..., .gate, mean, distance=1, filterId="defaultEllipsoidGate")
```

**Arguments**

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this gate.
<code>.gate</code>	A definition of the gate via a covariance matrix.
<code>mean</code>	Numeric vector of equal length as dimensions in <code>.gate</code> .
<code>distance</code>	Numeric scalar giving the Mahalanobis distance defining the size of the ellipse. This mostly exists for compliance reasons to the gatingML standard as <code>mean</code> and <code>gate</code> should already uniquely define the ellipse. Essentially, <code>distance</code> is merely a factor that gets applied to the values in the covariance matrix.
<code>...</code>	You can also directly describe the covariance matrix through named arguments, as described below.

**Details**

A convenience method to facilitate the construction of a ellipsoid `filter` objects. Ellipsoid gates in  $n$  dimensions ( $n \geq 2$ ) are specified by a covariance matrix and a vector of mean values giving the center of the ellipse.

This function is designed to be useful in both direct and programmatic usage. In the first case, simply describe the covariance matrix through named arguments. To use this function programmatically, you may pass a covariance matrix and a mean vector directly, in which case the parameter names are the colnames of the matrix.

**Value**

Returns a `ellipsoidGate` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

**Extends**

Class "`parameterFilter`", directly.

Class "`concreteFilter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class "`filter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

**Slots**

`mean`: Objects of class "`numeric`". Vector giving the location of the center of the ellipse in  $n$  dimensions.

`cov`: Objects of class "`matrix`". The covariance matrix defining the shape of the ellipse.

`distance`: Objects of class "`numeric`". The Mahalanobis distance defining the size of the ellipse.

`parameters`: Object of class "`character`", describing the parameter used to filter the `flowFrame`.

`filterId`: Object of class "`character`", referencing the filter.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("ellipsoidGate", ...)` or by using the constructor `ellipsoidGate`. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

**Methods**

**`%in%`** `signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "ellipsoidGate")`: The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**`show`** `signature(object = "ellipsoidGate")`: Print information about the filter.

**Note**

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for plotting of `ellipsoidGates`.

**Author(s)**

F.Hahne, B. Ellis, N. LeMeur



**See Also**

[flowFrame](#), [polygonGate](#), [rectangleGate](#), [polytopeGate](#), [filter](#) for evaluation of [rectangleGates](#) and [split](#) and [Subset](#) for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Defining the gate
cov <- matrix(c(6879, 3612, 3612, 5215), ncol=2,
dimnames=list(c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), c("FSC-H", "SSC-H")))
mean <- c("FSC-H"=430, "SSC-H"=175)
eg <- ellipsoidGate(filterId= "myEllipsoidGate", .gate=cov, mean=mean)

## Filtering using ellipsoidGates
fres <- filter(dat, eg)
fres
summary(fres)

## The result of ellipsoid filtering is a logical subset
Subset(dat, fres)

## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
split(dat, fres)
```

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exponential-class *Class "exponential"*

---

**Description**

Exponential transform class defines a transformation given by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a, b) = e^{\text{parameter}/b} * \frac{1}{a}$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `exponential(parameters, a, b)`.

**Slots**

**.Data:** Object of class "function" ~~  
**a:** Object of class "numeric"- non zero constant  
**b:** Object of class "numeric"- non zero constant  
**parameters:** Object of class "transformation"- flow parameter to be transformed  
**transformationId:** Object of class "character" -unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`singleParameterTransform`", directly. Class "`transform`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 2. Class "`transformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 3. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "exponential" in the signature.

**Note**

The exponential transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

`logarithm`

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
  package="flowCore"))
expl<-exponential(parameters="FSC-H", a=1, b=37, transformationId="expl")
transOut<-eval(expl)(exprs(dat))
```

---

expressionFilter-class

*Class "expressionFilter"*

---

**Description**

A `filter` holding an expression that can be evaluated to a logical vector or a vector of factors.

**Usage**

```
expressionFilter(expr, ..., filterId="defaultExpressionFilter")
char2ExpressionFilter(expr, ..., filterId="defaultExpressionFilter")
```

**Arguments**

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this <code>filter</code> . The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>expr</code>	A valid R expression or a character vector that can be parsed into an expression.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments that are passed to the evaluation environment of the expression.

**Details**

The expression is evaluated in the environment of the flow cytometry values, hence the parameters of a `flowFrame` can be accessed through regular R symbols. The convenience function `char2ExpressionFilter` exists to programmatically construct expressions.

**Value**

Returns a `expressionFilter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

**Extends**

Class "`concreteFilter`", directly.

Class "`filter`", by class `concreteFilter`, distance 2.

**Slots**

`expr`: The expression that will be evaluated in the context of the flow cytometry values.

`args`: An environment providing additional parameters.

`deparse`: A character scalar of the deparsed expression.

`filterId`: The identifier of the filter

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("expressionFilter", ...)`, using the `expressionFilter` constructor or, programatically, from a character string using the `char2ExpressionFilter` function.

**Methods**

**%in%** `signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "expressionFilter")`: The workhorse used to evaluate the gate on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** `signature(object = "expressionFilter")`: Print information about the gate.

**Author(s)**

F. Hahne, B. Ellis

**See Also**

`flowFrame`, `filter` for evaluation of `sampleFilters` and `split` and `Subset` for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.



```

fcDataReference <- function(ID=paste("dataRef", guid(), sep="_"),
                             env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcActionReference <- function(ID=paste("actionRef", guid(), sep="_"),
                               env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcViewReference <- function(ID=paste("viewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
                             env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcFilterResultReference <- function(ID=paste("fresRef",
                                              guid(), sep="_"),
                                     env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcFilterReference <- function(ID=paste("filterRef",
                                       guid(), sep="_"),
                              env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcCompensateReference <- function(ID=paste("compRef",
                                           guid(), sep="_"),
                                  env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcNormalizeReference <- function(ID=paste("normRef",
                                          guid(), sep="_"),
                                 env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcSubsettingReference <- function(ID=paste("subRef",
                                           guid(), sep="_"),
                                  env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcTransformReference <- function(ID=paste("transRef",
                                           guid(), sep="_"),
                                  env=new.env(parent=emptyenv()))

fcNullReference <- function(...) new("fcNullReference")

assign(x, value, pos = -1, envir = as.environment(pos), inherits = FALSE,
       immediate = TRUE)

get(x, pos = -1, envir = as.environment(pos), mode = "any",
    inherits = TRUE)

isNull(f)

Rm(symbol, envir, subSymbol, ...)

```

### Arguments

`x`, `f`, `symbol` An object of class or inheriting from class `fcReference`.

`value` An arbitrary R object which is supposed to be assigned to the environment in the

`workFlow` object and to which a reference is returned.

`env` An environment, usually within a `workFlow` object.

`pos, envir` Objects of class `workFlow`.

`inherits, immediate, mode, subSymbol, ...`  
Further arguments from the generics that are not used in this context.

## Details

These classes provide references to objects within an R environment and allow for method dispatch based on the nature of the referenced object. The parent `fcReference` class is used for references to all R objects, unless there exists a more specific subclass. `fcTreeReference`, `fcViewReference`, and `fcActionReference` are used to reference to `graphNEL`, `view`, and `actionItem` objects, respectively. `fcDataReference` should be used for `flowFrame` or `flowSet` objects, whereas `fcFilterResultReference`, `fcFilterReference`, `fcTransformReference`, `fcCompensateReference`, and `fcNormalizationReference` link to `filterResult`, `filter`, `transform` and `compensation` objects. `fsStructureReference` only exists to jointly dispatch on certain subgroups of references.

## Value

An object of class `fcReference` or one of its subclasses for the `assign` constructor.

The object referenced to for the `get` method.

A character string of the object symbol for the `identifier` method.

A logical scalar for the `isNull` method.

## Extends

`fcStructureReference`:

Class "`fcReference`", directly.

`fcTreeReference`:

Class "`fcStructureReference`", directly. Class "`fcReference`", by class "`fcStructureReference`", distance 2.

`fcAliasReference`:

Class "`fcStructureReference`", directly. Class "`fcReference`", by class "`fcStructureReference`", distance 2.

`fcDataReference`:

Class "`fcReference`", directly.

`fcActionReference`:

Class "`fcStructureReference`", directly. Class "`fcReference`", by class "`fcStructureReference`", distance 2.

`fcViewReference`:

Class "`fcStructureReference`", directly. Class "`fcReference`", by class "`fcStructureReference`", distance 2.

`fcFilterResultReference`:

Class "`fcReference`", directly.

`fcFilterReference`:

Class "`fcReference`", directly.

fcCompensateReference:

Class "[fcReference](#)", directly.

fcTransformReference:

Class "[fcReference](#)", directly.

fcNormalizationReference:

Class "[fcReference](#)", directly.

fcNullReference:

Class "[fcDataReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcActionReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcViewReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcFilterResultReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcFilterReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcCompensateReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcTransformReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcNormalizationReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcTreeReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcAliasReference](#)", directly. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcDataReference](#)", distance2. Class "[fcStructureReference](#)", by class "[fcActionReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcActionReference](#)", distance 3. Class "[fcStructureReference](#)", by class "[fcViewReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcViewReference](#)", distance3. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcFilterResultReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcFilterReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcCompensateReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcTransformReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcStructureReference](#)", by class "[fcTreeReference](#)", distance 2. Class "[fcReference](#)", by class "[fcTreeReference](#)", distance 3.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created via the `assign` constructor. Whenever an object is assigned to a `workFlow` using the `assign` method, an appropriate instance of class `fcReference` or one of its subclasses is returned. In addition, there are the usual constructor functions of same names as the classes that can be used for object instantiation without assignment. Note that this might lead to unresolvable references unless the object referenced to is available in the environment.

## Slots

**ID:** Object of class "`character`" The name of the object in `env` referenced to.

**env:** Object of class "`environment`" An environment that contains the referenced objects. Usually, this will be the environment that's part of a `workFlow` object.

## Methods

**get** signature(`x = "fcReference"`, `pos = "missing"`, `envir = "missing"`, `mode = "missing"`, `inherits = "missing"`): Resolve the reference, i.e., get the object from the environment.

**get** signature(`x = "fcNullReference"`, `pos = "missing"`, `envir = "missing"`, `mode = "missing"`, `inherits = "missing"`): Resolve the reference. This always returns `NULL`.

**identifier** signature(`object = "fcReference"`): Return a character string of the object name.

**isNull** signature(`f = "fcReference"`): Check whether a `fcReference` is a `NULL` reference. Note that this is different from a unresolvable reference.

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "fcReference", envir = "missing", subSymbol = "character")`: Remove the object referenced to by a `fcReference` from its environment. The argument `subSymbol` will be automatically set by the generic and should never be provided by the user.

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "fcReference", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character")`: Remove the object referenced to by a `fcReference` from a `workFlow`. The argument `subSymbol` will be automatically set by the generic and should never be provided by the user.

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "fcNullReference", envir = "missing", subSymbol = "character")`: Essentially, this doesn't do anything since there is no object referenced to.

**show** `signature(object = "fcReference")`: Print details about the object.

**show** `signature(object = "fcNullReference")`: Print details about the object.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

[workFlow](#)

### Examples

```
showClass("fcReference")
```

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filter-and-methods *Take the intersection of two filters*

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### Description

There are two notions of intersection in `flowCore`. First, there is the usual intersection boolean operator `&` that has been overridden to allow the intersection of two filters or of a filter and a list for convenience. There is also the `%%` or `%subset%` operator that takes an intersection, but with subset semantics rather than simple intersection semantics. In other words, when taking a subset, calculations from [summary](#) and other methods are taken with respect to the right hand filter. This primarily affects calculations, which are ordinarily calculated with respect to the entire population as well as data-driven gating procedures which will operate only on elements contained by the right hand filter. This becomes especially important when using filters such as [norm2Filter](#)

### Author(s)

B. Ellis



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filter-class	<i>A class for representing filtering operations to be applied to flow data.</i>
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## Description

The `filter` class is the virtual base class for all filter/gating objects in `flowCore`. In general you will want to subclass or create a more specific filter.

## Slots

`filterId`: A character vector that identifies this `filter`. This is typically user specified but can be automatically deduced by certain filter operations, particularly boolean and set operations.

## Objects from the Class

All `filter` objects in `flowCore` should be instantiated through their constructors. These are functions that share the same name with the respective `filter` classes. E.g., `rectangleGate()` is the constructor function for rectangular gates, and `kmeansFilter()` creates objects of class `kmeansFilter`. Usually these constructors can deal with various different inputs, allowing to utilize the same function in different programmatic or interactive settings. For all filters that operate on specific flow parameters (i.e., those inheriting from `parameterFilter`), the parameters need to be passed to the constructor, either as names or colnames of additional input arguments or explicitly as separate arguments. See the documentation of the respective `filter` classes for details. If parameters are explicitly defined as separate arguments, they may be of class `character`, in which case they will be evaluated literally as colnames in a `flowFrame`, or of class `transform`, in which case the filtering is performed on a temporarily transformed copy of the input data. See [here](#) for details.

## Methods

`%in%` Used in the usual way this returns a vector of values that identify which events were accepted by the filter. A single filter may encode several populations so this can return either a logical vector, a factor vector or a numeric vector of probabilities that the event is accepted by the filter. Minimally, you must implement this method when creating a new type of filter

`&`, `|`, `!` Two filters can be composed using the usual boolean operations returning a `filter` class of a type appropriate for handling the operation. These methods attempt to guess an appropriate `filterId` for the new `filter`

`%subset%`, `%&%` Defines a filter as being a subset of another filter. For deterministic filters the results will typically be equivalent to using an `&` operation to compose the two filters, though summary methods will use subset semantics when calculating proportions. Additionally, when the filter is data driven, such as `norm2Filter`, the subset semantics are applied to the data used to fit the filter possibly resulting in quite different, and usually more desirable, results.

`%on%` Used in conjunction with a `transformList` to create a `transformFilter`. This filter is similar to the subset filter in that the filtering operation takes place on transformed values rather than the original values.

`filter` A more formal version of `%in%`, this method returns a `filterResult` object that can be used in subsequent filter operations as well as providing more metadata about the results of the filtering operation

`summarizeFilter` When implementing a new filter this method is used to update the `filterDetails` slot of a `filterResult`. It is optional and typically only needs to be implemented for data-driven filters.

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

`transform`, `filter`

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`filterDetails-methods`

*Obtain details about a filter operation*

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#### Description

A filtering operation captures details about its metadata and stores it in a `filterDetails` slot that is accessed using the `filterDetails` method. Each set of metadata is indexed by the `filterId` of the filter allowing for all the metadata in a complex filtering operation to be recovered after the final filtering.

#### Methods

**result = "filterResult", filterId = "missing"** When no particular `filterId` is specified all the details are returned

**result = "filterResult", filterId = "ANY"** You can also obtain a particular subset of details

#### Author(s)

B. Ellis, P.D. Haaland and N. LeMeur

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`filter-in-methods` *Filter-specific membership methods*

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#### Description

Membership methods must be defined for every object of type `filter` with respect to a `flowFrame` object. The operation is considered to be general and may return a `logical`, `numeric` or `factor` vector that will be handled appropriately. The ability to handle logical matrices as well as vectors is also planned but not yet implemented.

#### Author(s)

F.Hahne, B. Ellis

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filterList-class    *Class "filterList"*

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### Description

Container for a list of `filter` objects. The class mainly exists for method dispatch.

### Usage

```
filterList(x, filterId=identifier(x[[1]]))
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A list of <code>filter</code> objects.
<code>filterId</code>	The global identifier of the filter list. As default, we take the <code>filterId</code> of the first <code>filter</code> object in <code>x</code> .

### Value

A `filterList` object for the constructor

### Objects from the Class

Objects are created from regular lists using the constructor `filterList`.

### Slots

`.Data`: Object of class `"list"`. The class directly extends `list`, and this slot holds the list data.  
`filterId`: Object of class `"character"`. The identifier for the object.

### Extends

Class `"list"`, from data part.

### Methods

**show** signature(object = "filterList"): Print details about the object.  
**identifier, identifier<-** signature(object = "filterList"): Accessor and replacement method for the object's `filterId` slot.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

`filter`,

## Examples

```
f1 <- rectangleGate(FSC=c(100,200), filterId="testFilter")
f2 <- rectangleGate(FSC=c(200,400))
fl <- filterList(list(a=f1, b=f2))
fl
identifier(fl)
```

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filter

*Filter FCS files*

---

## Description

These methods link filter descriptions to a particular set of flow cytometry data allowing for the lightweight calculation of summary statistics common to flow cytometry analysis.

## Usage

```
filter(x, filter, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	Object of class <code>flowFrame</code> or <code>flowSet</code> .
<code>filter</code>	An object of class <code>filter</code> or a named list <code>filters</code> .
<code>...</code>	Optional arguments

## Details

The `filter` method conceptually links a filter description, represented by a `filter` object, to a particular `flowFrame`. This is accomplished via the `filterResult` object, which tracks the linked frame as well as caching the results of the filtering operation itself, allowing for fast calculation of certain summary statistics such as the percentage of events accepted by the `filter`. This method exists chiefly to allow the calculation of these statistics without the need to first `Subset` a `flowFrame`, which can be quite large.

When applying on a `flowSet`, the `filter` argument can either be a single `filter` object, in which case it is recycled for all frames in the set, or a named list of `filter` objects. The names are supposed to match the frame identifiers (i.e., the output of `sampleNames(x)` of the `flowSet`). If some frames identifiers are missing, the particular frames are skipped during filtering. Accordingly, all `filters` in the filter list that can't be mapped to the `flowSet` are ignored. Note that all `filter` objects in the list must be of the same type, e.g. `rectangleGates`.

## Value

A `filterResult` object or a `filterResultList` object if `x` is a `flowSet`. Note that `filterResult` objects are themselves filters, allowing them to be used in filter expressions or `Subset` operations.

## Author(s)

F Hahne, B. Ellis, N. Le Meur

**See Also**[Subset](#), [filterResult](#)**Examples**

```
## Filtering a flowFrame
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata","0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
rectGate <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris", "FSC-H"=c(200, Inf))
fr <- filter(samp, rectGate)
class(fr)
summary(fr)

## filtering a flowSet
data(GvHD)
foo <- GvHD[1:3]
fr2 <- filter(foo, rectGate)
class(fr2)
summary(fr2)

## filtering a flowSet using different filters for each frame
rg2 <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris", "FSC-H"=c(300, Inf))
rg3 <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris", "FSC-H"=c(400, Inf))
flist <- list(rectGate, rg2, rg3)
names(flist) <- sampleNames(foo)
fr3 <- filter(foo, flist)
```

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%on%*Methods for Function %on% in Package 'flowCore'*

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**Description**

This operator is used to construct a `transformFilter` that first applies a `transformList` to the data before applying the `filter` operation. You may also apply the operator to a `flowFrame` or `flowSet` to obtain transformed values specified in the list.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata","0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
plot(transform("FSC-H"=log, "SSC-H"=log) %on% samp)

rectangle <- rectangleGate(filterId="rectangleGateI", "FSC-H"=c(4.5, 5.5))
sampFiltered <- filter(samp, rectangle %on% transform("FSC-H"=log, "SSC-H"=log))
res <- Subset(samp, sampFiltered)

plot(transform("FSC-H"=log, "SSC-H"=log) %on% res)
```

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filterReference-class  
*Class filterReference*

---

### Description

A reference to another filter inside a reference. Users should generally not be aware that they are using this class, but it is used heavily by "filterSet" classes.

### Objects from the Class

Objects are generally not created by users so there is no constructor function.

### Slots

**name:** The R name of the referenced filter  
**env:** The environment where the filter must live  
**filterId:** The filterId, not really used since you always resolve

### Extends

Class "filter", directly.

### Author(s)

B. Ellis

### See Also

"filterSet"

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filterResult-class *Class "filterResult"*

---

### Description

Container to store the result of applying a filter on a flowFrame object

### Slots

**frameId:** Object of class "character" referencing the flowFrame object filtered. Used for sanity checking.  
**filterDetails:** Object of class "list" describing the filter applied  
**filterId:** Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

### Extends

Class "filter", directly.

**Methods**

`==` test equality

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, N. LeMeur

**See Also**

`filter`, `logicalFilterResult`, `multipleFilterResult`, `randomFilterResult`

**Examples**

```
showClass("filterResult")
```

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```
filterResultList-class
      Class "filterResultList"
```

---

**Description**

Container to store the result of applying a `filter` on a `flowSet` object

**Objects from the Class**

Objects are created by applying a `filter` on a `flowSet`. The user doesn't have to deal with manual object instantiation.

**Slots**

**.Data:** Object of class `"list"`. The class directly extends `list`, and this slot holds the list data.

**frameId:** Object of class `"character"` The IDs of the `flowFrames` in the filtered `flowSet`.

**filterDetails:** Object of class `"list"`. Since `filterResultList` inherits from `filterResult`, this slot has to be set. It contains only the input filter.

**filterId:** Object of class `"character"`. The identifier for the object.

**Extends**

Class `"list"`, from data part. Class `"filterResult"`, directly. Class `"concreteFilter"`, by class `"filterResult"`, distance 2. Class `"filter"`, by class `"filterResult"`, distance 3.

**Methods**

[ signature(x = "filterResultList", i = "ANY"): Subset to filterResultList.

[[ signature(x = "filterResultList", i = "ANY"): Subset to individual filterResult.

**names** signature(x = "filterResultList"): Accessor to the frameId slot.

**parameters** signature(object = "filterResultList"): Return parameters on which data has been filtered.

**show** signature(object = "filterResultList"): Print details about the object.

**split** signature(x = "flowSet", f = "filterResultList"): Split a `flowSet` based on the results in the `filterResultList`. See `split` for details.

**summary** signature(object = "filterResultList"): Summarize the filtering operation. This creates a `filterSummaryList` object.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

`filter`, `filterResult`, `logicalFilterResult`, `multipleFilterResult`, `randomFilterResult`

### Examples

```
## Loading example data and creating a curv1Filter
data(GvHD)
dat <- GvHD[1:3]
clf <- curv1Filter(filterId="myCurv1Filter", x=list("FSC-H"), bwFac=2)

## applying the filter
fres <- filter(dat, clf)
fres

## subsetting the list
fres[[1]]
fres[1:2]

## details about the object
parameters(fres)
names(fres)
summary(fres)

## splitting based on the filterResults
split(dat, fres)
```

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filterSet-class      *Class filterSet*

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### Description

A container for a collection of related filters.

### Objects from the Class

There are several ways to create a `filterSet` object. There is the `filterSet` constructor, which creates an empty `filterSet` object (see the details section for more information). `filterSet` objects can also be coerced to and from `list` objects using the `as` function.



**Slots**

**env:** The environment that actually holds the filters  
**name:** A more descriptive name of the set.

**Methods**

**names** An unsorted list of the names of the filters contained within the set.  
**sort** Returns a topological sort of the names of the filters contained within the set. Primarily used by internal functions (such as `filter`), this method is also useful for planning gating strategy layouts and the like.  
**filterReference** Retrieves references to a filter inside a filterSet  
 [ Returns the filter reference used inside the filter. See Details.  
 [[ Retrieves the actual filters from a filterSet. Note that composed filters can still contain references.  
 [[<- Put a filter into a filterSet. As a convenience, assigning to the "" or NULL name will use the filter's name for assignment. Composed filters can be added easily using formulas rather than attempting to construct filters the long way. The formula interface is also lazy, allowing you to add filters in any order.

**Details**

`filterSet` objects are intended to provide a convenient grouping mechanism for a particular gating strategy. To accomplish this, much like the `flowSet` object, the `filterSet` object introduces reference semantics through the use of an `environment`, allowing users to change an upstream filter via the usual assignment mechanism and have that change reflected in all dependent filters. We do this by actually creating two filters for each filter in the `filterSet`. The first is the actual concrete filter, which is assigned to a variable of the form `.name` where `name` is the original filter name. A second `filterReference` filter is created with the original name to point to the internal name. This allows us to evaluate a formula in the environment without creating a copy of the original filter.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

`filterSet`

**Examples**

```
fs = new("filterSet")

## Simple assignment. Note that the filterId slot for the rectangle gate
## is changed.
fs[["filter1"]] = rectangleGate("FSC-H"=c(.2, .8), "SSC-H"=c(0, .8))

## Convenience assignment using the filterId slot.
fs[[""]] = norm2Filter("FSC-H", "SSC-H", scale.factor=2, filterId="Live Cells")

## We also support formula interfaces. These two statements are equivalent.
fs[["Combined"]] = ~ filter1 %subset% `Live Cells`
```

```
fs[[""]] = Combined ~ filter1 %subset% `Live Cells`
fs
as(fs, "list")
as(as(fs, "list"), "filterSet")
```

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```
filterSummary-class
```

```
Class "filterSummary"
```

---

## Description

Class and methods to handle the summary information of a gating operation.

## Usage

```
summary(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

`object` An object inheriting from class `filterResult` which is to be summarized.  
`...` Further arguments that are passed to the generic.

## Details

Calling `summary` on a `filterResult` object prints summary information on the screen, but also creates objects of class `filterSummary` for computational access.

## Value

An object of class `filterSummary` for the `summary` constructor, a named list for the subsetting operators. The `$` operator returns a named vector of the respective value, where each named element corresponds to one sub-population.

## Objects from the Class

Objects are created by calling `summary` on a `link{filterResult}` object. The user doesn't have to deal with manual object instantiation.

## Slots

`name`: Object of class "character" The name(s) of the populations created in the filtering operation. For a `logicalFilterResult` this is just a single value; the name of the `link{filter}`.

`true`: Object of class "numeric". The number of events within the population(s).

`count`: Object of class "numeric". The total number of events in the gated `flowFrame`.

`p`: Object of class "numeric" The percentage of cells in the population(s).

**Methods**

**[[** signature(x = "filterSummary", i = "numeric"): Subset the filterSummary to a single population. This only makes sense for [multipleFilterResults](#). The output is a list of summary statistics.

**[[** signature(x = "filterSummary", i = "character"): see above

**\\$** signature(x = "filterSummary", name = "ANY"): A list-like accessor to the slots and more. Valid values are n and count (those are identical), true and in (identical), false and out (identical), name, p and q(1-p).

**coerce** signature(from = "filterSummary", to = "data.frame"): Coerce object to data.frame.

**length** signature(x = "filterSummary"): The number of populations in the filterSummary.

**names** signature(x = "filterSummary"): The names of the populations in the filterSummary.

**print** signature(x = "filterSummary"): Print details about the object.

**show** signature(object = "filterSummary"): Print details about the object.

**toTable** signature(x = "filterSummary"): Coerce object to data.frame.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne, Byron Ellis

**See Also**

[filterResult](#), [logicalFilterResult](#), [multipleFilterResult](#), [flowFrame](#) [filterSummaryList](#)

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data, creating and applying a curv1Filter
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))
clf <- curv1Filter(filterId="myCurv1Filter", x=list("FSC-H"), bwFac=2)
fres <- filter(dat, clf)

## creating and showing the summary
summary(fres)
s <- summary(fres)

## subsetting
s[[1]]
s[["peak 2"]]

##accessing details
s$true
s$n
toTable(s)
```

---

filterSummaryList-class  
Class "filterSummaryList"

---

### Description

Class and methods to handle summary statistics for from filtering operations on whole `flowSets`.

### Arguments

`object` An object of class `filterResultList` which is to be summarized.  
... Further arguments that are passed to the generic.

### Details

Calling `summary` on a `filterResult` object prints summary information on the screen, but also creates objects of class `filterSummary` for computational access.

### Value

An object of class `filterSummaryList`.

### Objects from the Class

Objects are created by calling `summary` on a `link{filterResultList}` object. The user doesn't have to deal with manual object instantiation.

### Slots

`.Data`: Object of class "list". The class directly extends `list`, and this slot holds the list data.

### Extends

Class "list", from data part.

### Usage

```
summary(object, ...)
```

### Methods

**toTable** signature (`x = "filterSummaryList"`): Coerce object to `data.frame`. Additional factors are added to indicate list items in the original object.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

`filterResult`, `filterResultList`, `logicalFilterResult`, `multipleFilterResult`,  
`flowFrame` `filterSummary`

## Examples

```
## Loading example data, creating and applying a curv1Filter
data(GvHD)
dat <- GvHD[1:3]
clf <- curv1Filter(filterId="myCurv1Filter", x=list("FSC-H"), bwFac=2)
fres <- filter(dat, clf)

## creating and showing the summary
summary(fres)
s <- summary(fres)

## subsetting
s[[1]]

##accessing details
toTable(s)
```

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flowCore-package *Provides S4 data structures and basic infrastructure and functions to deal with flow cytometry data.*

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## Description

Define important flow cytometry data classes: [flowFrame](#), [flowSet](#) and their accessors.

Provide important transformation, filter, gating, workflow, and summary functions for flow cytometry data analysis.

Most of flow cytometry related Bioconductor packages (such as [flowStats](#), [flowFP](#), [flowQ](#), [flowViz](#), [flowMerge](#), [flowClust](#)) are heavily depended on this package.

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```
flowFrame-class      'flowFrame': a class for storing observed quantitative properties for
                      a population of cells from a FACS run
```

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## Description

This class represents the data contained in a FCS file or similar data structure. There are three parts of the data:

1. a numeric matrix of the raw measurement values with *rows=events* and *columns=parameters*
2. annotation for the parameters (e.g., the measurement channels, stains, dynamic range)
3. additional annotation provided through keywords in the FCS file

## Details

Objects of class `flowFrame` can be used to hold arbitrary data of cell populations, acquired in flow-cytometry.

FCS is the Data File Standard for Flow Cytometry, the current version is FCS 3.0. See the vignette of this package for additional information on using the object system for handling of flow-cytometry data.

## Creating Objects

Objects can be created using

```
new("flowFrame",
    exprs = ....., Object of class matrix
    parameters = ....., Object of class AnnotatedDataFrame
    description = ....., Object of class list
)
```

or the constructor `flowFrame`, with mandatory arguments `exprs` and optional arguments `parameters` and `description`.

```
flowFrame(exprs, parameters, description=list())
```

To create a `flowFrame` directly from an FCS file, use function `read.FCS`. This is the recommended and safest way of object creation, since `read.FCS` will perform basic data quality checks upon import. Unless you know exactly what you are doing, creating objects using `new` or the constructor is discouraged.

## Slots

**exprs:** Object of class `matrix` containing the measured intensities. Rows correspond to cells, columns to the different measurement channels. The `colnames` attribute of the matrix is supposed to hold the names or identifiers for the channels. The `rownames` attribute would usually not be set.

**parameters:** An `AnnotatedDataFrame` containing information about each column of the `flowFrame`. This will generally be filled in by `read.FCS` or similar functions using data from the FCS keywords describing the parameters.

**description:** A list containing the meta data included in the FCS file.

## Methods

There are separate documentation pages for most of the methods listed here which should be consulted for more details.

**Subsetting.** Returns an object of class `flowFrame`. The subsetting is applied to the `exprs` slot, while the `description` slot is unchanged. The syntax for subsetting is similar to that of `data.frames`. In addition to the usual index vectors (integer and logical by position, character by parameter names), `flowFrames` can be subset via `filterResult` and `filter` objects.

*Usage:*

```
flowFrame[i, j]
flowFrame[filter, ]
flowFrame[filterResult, ]
```

Note that the value of argument `drop` is ignored when subsetting `flowFrames`.

**\\$** **\$**subsetting by channel name. This is similar to subsetting of columns of `data.frames`, i.e., `frame$FSC.H` is equivalent to `frame[, "FSC.H"]`. Note that column names may have to be quoted if they are no valid R symbols (e.g. `frame$"FSC-H"`).

**exprs, exprs<-** Extract or replace the raw data intensities. The replacement value must be a numeric matrix with colnames matching the parameter definitions. Implicit subsetting is allowed (i.e. less columns in the replacement value compared to the original `flowFrame`, but all have to be defined there).

*Usage:*

```
exprs(flowFrame)
exprs(flowFrame) <- value
```

**head, tail** Show first/last elements of the raw data matrix

*Usage:*

```
head(flowFrame)
tail(flowFrame)
```

**description, description<-** Extract or replace the whole list of annotation keywords. Usually one would only be interested in a subset of keywords, in which case the `keyword` method is more appropriate. The optional `hideInternal` parameter can be used to exclude internal FCS parameters starting with `$`.

*Usage:*

```
description(flowFrame)
description(flowFrame) <- value
```

**keyword, keyword<-** Extract ore replace one or more entries from the `description` slot by `keyword`. Methods are defined for character vectors (select a keyword by name), functions (select a keyword by evaluating a function on their content) and for lists (a combination of the above). See `keyword` for details.

*Usage:*

```
keyword(flowFrame)
keyword(flowFrame, character)
keyword(flowFrame, list)
keyword(flowFrame) <- list(value)
```

**parameters, parameters<-** Extract parameters and return an object of class `AnnotatedDataFrame`, or replace such an object. To access the actual parameter annotation, use `pData(parameters(frame))`. Replacement is only valid with `AnnotatedDataFrames` containing all `varLabels` name,

desc, range, minRange and maxRange, and matching entries in the name column to the colnames of the exprs matrix. See [parameters](#) for more details.

*Usage:*

```
parameters(flowFrame)
parameters(flowFrame) <- value
```

**show** Display details about the flowFrame object.

**summary** Return descriptive statistical summary (min, max, mean and quantile) for each channel

*Usage:*

```
summary(flowFrame)
```

**plot** Basic plots for flowFrame objects. If the object has only a single parameter this produces a [histogram](#). For exactly two parameters we plot a bivariate density map (see [smoothScatter](#) and for more than two parameters we produce a simple [splom](#) plot. To select specific parameters from a flowFrame for plotting, either subset the object or specify the parameters as a character vector in the second argument to plot. The smooth parameters lets you toggle between density-type [smoothScatter](#) plots and regular scatterplots. For far more sophisticated plotting of flow cytometry data, see the [flowViz](#) package.

*Usage:*

```
plot(flowFrame, ...)
plot(flowFrame, character, ...)
plot(flowFrame, smooth=FALSE, ...)
```

**ncol, nrow, dim** Extract the dimensions of the data matrix.

*Usage:*

```
ncol(flowFrame)
nrow(flowFrame)
dim(flowFrame)
```

**featureNames, colnames, colnames<-** Extract parameter names (i.e., the colnames of the data matrix). colnames and featureNames are synonyms. For colnames there is also a replacement method. This will update the name column in the parameters slot as well.

*Usage:*

```
featureNames(flowFrame)
colnames(flowFrame)
colnames(flowFrame) <- value
```

**names** Extract pretty formatted names of the parameters including parameter descriptions.

*Usage:*

```
names(flowFrame)
```

**identifier** Extract GUID of a flowFrame. Returns the file name if no GUID is available. See [identifier](#) for details.

*Usage:*

```
identifier(flowFrame)
```

**range** Get dynamic range of the flowFrame. Note that this is not necessarily the range of the actual data values, but the theoretical range of values the measurement instrument was able to capture. The values of the dynamic range will be transformed when using the transformation methods for flowFrames. Additional character arguments are evaluated as parameter names for which to return the dynamic range.

*Usage:*

```
range(flowFrame, ...)
```



**each\row, each\col** Apply functions over rows or columns of the data matrix. These are convenience methods. See [each\\_col](#) for details.

*Usage:*

```
each_row(flowFrame, function, ...)
each_col(flowFrame, function, ...)
```

**transform** Apply a transformation function on a `flowFrame` object. This uses R's `transform` function by treating the `flowFrame` like a regular `data.frame`. `flowCore` provides an additional inline mechanism for transformations (see `%on%`) which is strictly more limited than the out-of-line transformation described here.

*Usage:*

```
transform(flowFrame, ...)
```

**filter** Apply a `filter` object on a `flowFrame` object. This returns an object of class `filterResult`, which could then be used for subsetting of the data or to calculate summary statistics. See [filter](#) for details.

*Usage:*

```
filter(flowFrame, filter)
```

**split** Split `flowFrame` object according to a `filter`, a `filterResult` or a factor. For most types of filters, an optional `flowSet=TRUE` parameter will create a `flowSet` rather than a simple list. See [split](#) for details.

*Usage:*

```
split(flowFrame, filter, flowSet=FALSE, ...)
split(flowFrame, filterResult, flowSet=FALSE, ...)
split(flowFrame, factor, flowSet=FALSE, ...)
```

**Subset** Subset a `flowFrame` according to a `filter` or a logical vector. The same can be done using the standard subsetting operator with a `filter`, `filterResult`, or a logical vector as first argument.

*Usage:*

```
Subset(flowFrame, filter)
Subset(flowFrame, logical)
```

**cbind2** Expand a `flowFrame` by the data in a numeric matrix of the same length. The matrix must have column names different from those of the `flowFrame`. The additional method for numerics only raises a useful error message.

*Usage:*

```
cbind2(flowFrame, matrix)
cbind2(flowFrame, numeric)
```

**compensate** Apply a compensation matrix (or a `compensation` object) on a `flowFrame` object. This returns a compensated `flowFrame`.

*Usage:*

```
compensate(flowFrame, matrix) compensate(flowFrame, data.frame)
```

**spillover** Extract spillover matrix from description slot if present.

*Usage:*

```
spillover(flowFrame, matrix)
```

**==** Test equality between two `flowFrames`

**<, >, <=, >=** These operators basically treat the `flowFrame` as a numeric matrix.

**initialize(flowFrame):** Object instantiation, used by `new`; not to be called directly by the user.

**Author(s)**

F. Hahne, B. Ellis, P. Haaland and N. Le Meur

**See Also**

[flowSet](#), [read.FCS](#)

**Examples**

```
## load example data
data(GvHD)
frame <- GvHD[[1]]

## subsetting
frame[1:4,]
frame[,3]
frame[, "FSC-H"]
frame$"SSC-H"

## accessing and replacing raw values
head(exprs(frame))
exprs(frame) <- exprs(frame)[1:3000,]
frame
exprs(frame) <- exprs(frame)[,1:6]
frame

## access FCS keywords
head(description(frame))
keyword(frame, c("FILENAME", "$FIL"))

## parameter annotation
parameters(frame)
pData(parameters(frame))

## summarize frame data
summary(frame)

## plotting
plot(frame)
if(require(flowViz)){
  plot(frame)
  plot(frame, c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"))
  plot(frame[,1])
  plot(frame, c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), smooth=FALSE)
}

## frame dimensions
ncol(frame)
nrow(frame)
dim(frame)

## accessing and replacing parameter names
featureNames(frame)
all(featureNames(frame) == colnames(frame))
colnames(frame) <- make.names(colnames(frame))
```

```

colnames(frame)
parameters(frame)$name
names(frame)

## accessing a GUID
identifier(frame)
identifier(frame) <- "test"

## dynamic range of a frame
range(frame)
range(frame, "FSC.H", "FL1.H")
range(frame)$FSC.H

## iterators
head(each_row(frame, mean))
head(each_col(frame, mean))

## transformation
opar <- par(mfcol=c(1:2))
if(require(flowViz))
plot(frame, c("FL1.H", "FL2.H"))
frame <- transform(frame, FL1.H=log(`FL1.H`), FL2.H=log(`FL2.H`))
if(require(flowViz))
plot(frame, c("FL1.H", "FL2.H"))
par(opar)
range(frame)

## filtering of flowFrames
rectGate <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris", "FSC.H"=c(200, Inf))
fres <- filter(frame, rectGate)
summary(fres)

## splitting of flowFrames
split(frame, rectGate)
split(frame, rectGate, flowSet=TRUE)
split(frame, fres)
f <- cut(exprs(frame)$FSC.H, 3)
split(frame, f)

## subsetting according to filters and filter results
Subset(frame, rectGate)
Subset(frame, fres)
Subset(frame, as.logical(exprs(frame)$FSC.H < 300))
frame[rectGate,]
frame[fres,]

## accessing the spillover matrix
try(spillover(frame))

## check equality
frame2 <- frame
frame == frame2
exprs(frame2) <- exprs(frame)*2
frame == frame2

```

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flowSet-class	<i>'flowSet': a class for storing flow cytometry raw data from quantitative cell-based assays</i>
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## Description

This class is a container for a set of `flowFrame` objects

## Creating Objects

Objects can be created using

```
new('flowSet',
    frames = ..., # environment with flowFrames
    phenoData = ... # object of class AnnotatedDataFrame
    colnames = ... # object of class character
)
```

or via the constructor `flowSet`, which takes arbitrary numbers of `flowFrames`, either as a list or directly as arguments, along with an optional `AnnotatedDataFrame` for the `phenoData` slot and a character scalar for the name by which the object can be referenced.

```
flowSet(..., phenoData)
```

Alternatively, `flowSets` can be coerced from `list` and `environment` objects.

```
as(list("A"=frameA, "B"=frameB), "flowSet")
```

The safest and easiest way to create `flowSets` directly from FCS files is via the `read.flowSet` function, and there are alternative ways to specify the files to read. See the separate documentation for details.

## Slots

**frames:** An `environment` containing one or more `flowFrame` objects.

**phenoData:** A `AnnotatedDataFrame` containing the phenotypic data for the whole data set. Each row corresponds to one of the `flowFrames` in the `frames` slot. The `sampleNames` of `phenoData` (see below) must match the names of the `flowFrame` in the `frames` environment.

**colnames:** A `character` object with the (common) column names of all the data matrices in the `flowFrames`.

## Methods

`[, [` Subsetting. `x[i]` where `i` is a scalar, returns a `flowSet` object, and `x[[i]]` a `flowFrame` object. In this respect the semantics are similar to the behavior of the subsetting operators for lists. `x[i, j]` returns a `flowSet` for which the parameters of each `flowFrame` have been subset according to `j`, `x[[i, j]]` returns the subset of a single `flowFrame` for all parameters in `j`. Similar to data frames, valid values for `i` and `j` are logicals, integers and characters.

*Usage:*

```
flowSet[i]
flowSet[i, j]
flowSet[[i]]
```

**\\$** Subsetting by frame name. This will return a single `flowFrame` object. Note that names may have to be quoted if they are not valid R symbols (e.g. `flowSet$"sample 1"`)

**colnames, colnames<-** Extract or replace the `colnames` slot.

*Usage:*

```
colnames(flowSet)
colnames(flowSet) <- value
```

**identifier, identifier<-** Extract or replace the `name` item from the environment.

*Usage:*

```
identifier(flowSet)
identifier(flowSet) <- value
```

**phenoData, phenoData<-** Extract or replace the `AnnotatedDataFrame` from the `phenoData` slot.

*Usage:*

```
phenoData(flowSet)
phenoData(flowSet) <- value
```

**pData, pData<-** Extract or replace the data frame (or columns thereof) containing actual phenotypic information from the `phenoData` slot.

*Usage:*

```
pData(flowSet)
pData(flowSet)$someColumn <- value
```

**varLabels, varLabels<-** Extract and set `varLabels` in the `AnnotatedDataFrame` of the `phenoData` slot.

*Usage:*

```
varLabels(flowSet)
varLabels(flowSet) <- value
```

**sampleNames** Extract and replace sample names from the `phenoData` object. Sample names correspond to frame identifiers, and replacing them will also replace the `GUID` slot for each frame. Note that `sampleName` needs to be unique.

*Usage:*

```
sampleNames(flowSet)
sampleNames(flowSet) <- value
```

**keyword** Extract or replace keywords specified in a character vector or a list from the `description` slot of each frame. See `keyword` for details.

*Usage:*

```
keyword(flowSet, list(keywords))
keyword(flowSet, keywords)
keyword(flowSet) <- list(foo="bar")
```

**length** number of `flowFrame` objects in the set.

*Usage:*

```
length(flowSet)
```

**show** display object summary.

**summary** Return descriptive statistical summary (min, max, mean and quantile) for each channel of each `flowFrame`

*Usage:*

```
summary(flowSet)
```

**fsApply** Apply a function on all frames in a `flowSet` object. Similar to `sapply`, but with additional parameters. See separate documentation for details.

*Usage:*

```
fsApply(flowSet, function, ...)
fsApply(flowSet, function, use.exprs=TRUE, ...)
```

**compensate** Apply a compensation matrix on all frames in a `flowSet` object. See separate documentation for details.

*Usage:*

```
compensate(flowSet, matrix)
```

**transform** Apply a transformation function on all frames of a `flowSet` object. See separate documentation for details.

*Usage:*

```
transform(flowSet, ...)
```

**filter** Apply a filter object on a `flowSet` object. There are methods for `filters`, `filterSets` and lists of filters. The latter has to be a named list, where names of the list items are matching `sampleNames` of the `flowSet`. See `filter` for details.

*Usage:*

```
filter(flowSet, filter)
filter(flowSet, list(filters))
```

**split** Split all `flowSet` objects according to a `filter`, `filterResult` or a list of such objects, where the length of the list has to be the same as the length of the `flowSet`. This returns a list of `flowFrames` or an object of class `flowSet` if the `flowSet` argument is set to `TRUE`. Alternatively, a `flowSet` can be split into separate subsets according to a factor (or any vector that can be coerced into factors), similar to the behaviour of `split` for lists. This will return a list of `flowSets`. See `split` for details.

*Usage:*

```
split(flowSet, filter)
split(flowSet, filterResult)
split(flowSet, list(filters))
split(flowSet, factor)
```

**Subset** Returns a `flowSet` of `flowFrames` that have been subset according to a `filter` or `filterResult`, or according to a list of such items of equal length as the `flowSet`.

*Usage:*

```
Subset(flowSet, filter)
Subset(flowSet, filterResult)
Subset(flowSet, list(filters))
```

**rbind2** Combine two `flowSet` objects, or one `flowSet` and one `flowFrame` object.

*Usage:*

```
rbind2(flowSet, flowSet)
rbind2(flowSet, flowFrame)
```

**spillover** Compute spillover matrix from a compensation set. See separate documentation for details.

### Important note on storage and performance

The bulk of the data in a `flowSet` object is stored in an `environment`, and is therefore not automatically copied when the `flowSet` object is copied. If `x` is an object of class `flowSet`, then the code

```
y <- x
```

will create an object `y` that contains copies of the `phenoData` and administrative data in `x`, but refers to the *same* environment with the actual fluorescence data. See below for how to create proper copies.

The reason for this is performance. The pass-by-value semantics of function calls in R can result in numerous copies of the same data object being made in the course of a series of nested function calls. If the data object is large, this can result in considerable cost of memory and performance. `flowSet` objects are intended to contain experimental data in the order of hundreds of Megabytes, which can effectively be treated as read-only: typical tasks are the extraction of subsets and the calculation of summary statistics. This is afforded by the design of the `flowSet` class: an object of that class contains a `phenoData` slot, some administrative information, and a *reference* to an environment with the fluorescence data; when it is copied, only the reference is copied, but not the potentially large set of fluorescence data themselves.

However, note that subsetting operations, such as `y <- x[i]` do create proper copies, including a copy of the appropriate part of the fluorescence data, as it should be expected. Thus, to make a proper copy of a `flowSet` `x`, use `y <- x[seq(along=x)]`

### Author(s)

F. Hahne, B. Ellis, P. Haaland and N. Le Meur

### See Also

[flowFrame](#), [read.flowSet](#)

### Examples

```
## load example data and object creation
data(GvHD)

## subsetting to flowSet
set <- GvHD[1:4]
GvHD[1:4,1:2]
sel <- sampleNames(GvHD)[1:2]
GvHD[sel, "FSC-H"]
GvHD[sampleNames(GvHD) == sel[1], colnames(GvHD[1]) == "SSC-H"]

## subsetting to flowFrame
GvHD[[1]]
GvHD[[1, 1:3]]
GvHD[[1, "FSC-H"]]
GvHD[[1, colnames(GvHD[1]) == "SSC-H"]]
GvHD$s5a02

## constructor
flowSet(GvHD[[1]], GvHD[[2]])
pd <- phenoData(GvHD)[1:2,]
flowSet(s5a01=GvHD[[1]], s5a02=GvHD[[2]], phenoData=pd)

## colnames
colnames(set)
colnames(set) <- make.names(colnames(set))
```

```

## object name
identifier(set)
identifier(set) <- "test"

## phenoData
pd <- phenoData(set)
pd
pd$test <- "test"
phenoData(set) <- pd
pData(set)
varLabels(set)
varLabels(set)[6] <- "Foo"
varLabels(set)

## sampleNames
sampleNames(set)
sampleNames(set) <- LETTERS[1:length(set)]
sampleNames(set)

## keywords
keyword(set, list("transformation"))

## length
length(set)

## compensation
samp <- read.flowSet(path=system.file("extdata", "compdata", "data",
package="flowCore"))
cfile <- system.file("extdata", "compdata", "compmatrix", package="flowCore")
comp.mat <- read.table(cfile, header=TRUE, skip=2, check.names = FALSE)
comp.mat
summary(samp[[1]])
samp <- compensate(samp, as.matrix(comp.mat))
summary(samp[[1]])

## transformation
opar <- par(mfcol=c(1:2))
plot(set[[1]], c("FL1.H", "FL2.H"))
set <- transform(set, FL1.H=log(FL1.H), FL2.H=log(FL2.H))
plot(set[[1]], c("FL1.H", "FL2.H"))
par(opar)

## filtering of flowSets
rectGate <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris", FSC.H=c(200,Inf))
fres <- filter(set, rectGate)
class(fres)
summary(fres[[1]])
rectGate2 <- rectangleGate(filterId="nonDebris2", SSC.H=c(300,Inf))
fres2 <- filter(set, list(A=rectGate, B=rectGate2, C=rectGate, D=rectGate2))

## Splitting frames of a flowSet
split(set, rectGate)
split(set[1:2], rectGate, populatiuon="nonDebris2+")
split(set, c(1,1,2,2))

## subsetting according to filters and filter results
Subset(set, rectGate)

```



```
Subset(set, filter(set, rectGate))
Subset(set, list(A=rectGate, B=rectGate2, C=rectGate, D=rectGate2))

## combining flowSets
rbind2(set[1:2], set[3:4])
rbind2(set[1:3], set[[4]])
rbind2(set[[4]], set[1:2])
```

fsApply

*Apply a Function over values in a flowSet***Description**

fsApply like many of the apply-style functions in R acts as an iterator for flowSet objects, allowing the application of a function to either the flowFrame or the data matrix itself. The output can be reconstructed as either a flowSet, a list or a matrix depending on options and the type of objects returned.

**Usage**

```
fsApply(x, FUN, ..., simplify=TRUE, use.exprs=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	flowSet to be used
FUN	the function to be applied to each element of x
simplify	logical (default: TRUE); if all true and all objects are flowFrame objects, a flowSet object will be constructed. If all of the values are of the same type there will be an attempt to construct a vector or matrix of the appropriate type (e.g. all numeric results will return a matrix).
use.exprs	logical (default: FALSE); should the FUN be applied on the flowFrame object or the expression values.
...	optional arguments to FUN.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**[apply](#), [sapply](#)**Examples**

```
fcs.loc <- system.file("extdata", package="flowCore")
file.location <- paste(fcs.loc, dir(fcs.loc), sep="/")
samp <- read.flowSet(file.location[1:3])

#Get summary information about each sample.
fsApply(samp, summary)
```

```
#Obtain the median of each parameter in each frame.
fsApply(samp, each_col, median)
```

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```
gateActionItem-class
  Class "gateActionItem"
```

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### Description

Class and method to capture gating operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

### Usage

```
gateActionItem(ID = paste("gateActionRef", guid(), sep = "_"), name =
paste("action", identifier(get(gate)), sep = "_"), parentView, gate,
filterResult, workflow)
```

### Arguments

workflow	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
ID	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
name	A more human-readable name of the view.
parentView, gate, filterResult	References to the parent <code>view</code> , <code>filter</code> , and <code>filterResult</code> objects, respectively.

### Details

`gateActionItems` provide a means to bind gating operations in a workflow. Each `gateActionItem` represents a single `filter`.

### Value

A reference to the `gateActionItem` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `gateActionItem` object for the constructor.

### Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `gateActionItem` from a `filter` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `gateActionItem` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**gate:** Object of class "fcFilterReference". A reference to the `filter` that is used for the gating operation.

**filterResult:** Object of class "fcFilterResultReference". A reference to the `filterResult` produced by the gating operation.

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**parentView:** Object of class "fcViewReference". A reference to the parent `view` the `gateActionItem` is applied on.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**Extends**

Class "`actionItem`", directly.

**Methods**

**gate** signature(object = "gateActionItem"): Accessor to the `gate` slot. Note that this resolved the reference, i.e., the `filter` object is returned.

**print** signature(x = "gateActionItem"): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature(symbol = "gateActionItem", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a `gateActionItem` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent `views` and `actionItems`.

**show** signature(object = "gateActionItem"): Print details about the object.

**summary** signature(object = "gateActionItem"): Summarize the gating operation and return the appropriate `filterSummary` object.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `actionItem`, `transformActionItem`, `compensateActionItem`, `view`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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gateView-class      *Class "gateView"*

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## Description

Class and method to capture the result of gating operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

## Usage

```
gateView(workflow, ID=paste("gateViewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
         name="default", action, data, indices,
         filterResult, frEntry)
```

## Arguments

workflow	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
ID	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
name	A more human-readable name of the view.
data, action, filterResult	References to the data, <code>filterResult</code> , and <code>actionItem</code> objects, respectively.
indices	A logical vector of indices in the parent data.
frEntry	A character vector indicating the name of the population in the <code>filterResult</code> .

## Details

`gateViews` provide a means to bind the results of gating operations in a workflow. Each `gateView` represents one of the populations that arise from the gating. `logicalFilterResults` create two `gateViews` (events in the gate and events not in the gate), `multipleFilterResults` one view for each population. See the documentation of the parent class `view` for more details.

## Value

A reference to the `gateView` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `gateView` object for the constructor.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `gateView` from a `filter` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `gateView` constructor function for more programmatic access.

### Slots

- indices:** Object of class "logical". The indices in the parent data for events that are within the filter.
- filterResult:** Object of class "fcFilterResultReference". A reference to the outcome of the filtering operation.
- frEntry:** Object of class "character" The population in the `filterResult` that corresponds to the current view. See details for further explanation.
- ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.
- name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name
- action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the `actionItem` that generated the view.
- env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.
- data:** Object of class "fcDataReference" A reference to the data that is associated to the view. Subsets of the data are only generated when a further action is invoked on a particular `gateView`. Summary statistics about the view can be acquired through the usual process of summarizing `filterResults`.

### Extends

Class "`view`", directly.

### Methods

- Rm** signature(symbol = "gateView", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a `gateView` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.
- summary** signature(x = "formula", data = "gateView"): Summarize the gating operation.
- xyplo**t signature(x = "formula", data = "gateView"): Plot the data of the `gateView` along with the gate.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

`workFlow`, `view`, `transformView`, `compensateView`, `actionItem`

### Examples

```
showClass("view")
```

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GvHD

*Extract of a Graft versus Host Disease monitoring experiment  
(Rizzieri et al., 2007)*

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## Description

A flow cytometry high throughput screening was used to identify biomarkers that would predict the development of GvHD. The GvHD dataset is an extract of a collection of weekly peripheral blood samples obtained from patients following allogenic blood and marrow transplant. Samples were taken at various time points before and after graft.

## Usage

```
data (GvHD)
```

## Format

The format is an object of class `flowSet` composed of 35 `flowFrame`s. Each `flowFrame` corresponds to one sample at one time point. The `phenodata` lists:

**Patient** The patient Id code

**Visit** The number of visits to the hospital

**Days** The number of days since the graft. Negative values correspond to days before the graft.

**Grade** Grade of the cancer

## Details

This GvHD dataset represents the measurements of one biomarker (leukocyte) for 5 patients over 7 visits (7 time points). The blood samples were labeled with four different fluorescent probes to identify the biomarker and the fluorescent intensity was determined for at least ten thousand cells per sample.

## Source

Complete dataset available at [http://www.ficcs.org/software.html#Data\\_Files](http://www.ficcs.org/software.html#Data_Files), the Flow Informatics and Computational Cytometry Society website (FICCS)

## References

Rizzieri DA et al. J Clin Oncol. 2007 Jan 16; [Epub ahead of print] PMID: 17228020

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hyperlog-class      *Class "hyperlog"*

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### Description

Hyperlog transformation of a parameter is defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a, b) = \text{rootEH}(y, a, b) - \text{parameter}$$

where EH is a function defined by

$$EH(y, a, b) = 10^{\left(\frac{y}{a}\right)} + \frac{b * y}{a} - 1 \quad y \geq 0$$

$$-10^{\left(\frac{-y}{a}\right)} + \frac{b * y}{a} + 1 \quad y < 0$$

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `hyperlog(parameter, a, b, transformationId)`

### Slots

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~~

`a`: Object of class "numeric" - numeric constant greater than zero

`b`: Object of class "numeric" - numeric constant greater than zero

`parameters`: Object of class "transformation" - flow parameter to be transformed

`transformationId`: Object of class "character" - unique ID to reference the transformation

### Extends

Class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransform](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 2. Class "[transformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 3. Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 4.

### Methods

No methods defined with class "hyperlog" in the signature.

### Note

The transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

### Author(s)

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

## References

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

## See Also

EHtrans

## Examples

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))
hlog1<-hyperlog("FSC-H", a=1, b=1, transformationId="hlog1")
transOut<-eval(hlog1)(exprs(dat))
```

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identifier

*Retrieve the GUID of flowCore objects*

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## Description

Retrieve the GUID (globally unique identifier) of a `flowFrame` that was generated by the cytometer or the identifier of a `filter` or `filterResult` given by the analyst.

## Usage

```
identifier(object)
```

## Arguments

`object` Object of class `flowFrame`, `filter` or `filterResult`.

## Details

GUID or Globally Unique Identifier is a pseudo-random number used in software applications. While each generated GUID is not guaranteed to be unique, the total number of unique keys ( $2^{128}$ ) is so large that the probability of the same number being generated twice is very small.

Note that if no GUID has been recorded along with the FCS file, the name of the file is returned.

## Value

Character vector representing the GUID or the name of the file.

## Methods

**object = "filter"** Return identifier of a `filter` object.

**object = "filterReference"** Return identifier of a `filterReference` object.

**object = "filterResult"** Return identifier of a `filterResult` object.

**object = "transform"** Return identifier of a `transform` object.

**object = "flowFrame"** Return GUID from the `description` slot of a `flowFrame` object or, alternatively, the name of the input FCS file in case none can be found. For `flowFrame` objects there also exists a replacement method.



**Author(s)**

N. LeMeur

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata","0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
identifier(samp)
```

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```
inverseLogicleTransform
```

*Computes the inverse of the transform defined by the 'invLogicle\_transform' function*

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**Description**

inverseLogicleTransform can be use to compute the inverse of the Logicle transformation. The parameters w,t,m,a passed as inputs should match those applied to transform the data using the logicleTransform function.

**Usage**

```
inverseLogicleTransform(ttransformationId="defaultInvLogicleTransform", w = 0,
                        t = 262144, m = 4.5, a=0)
```

**Arguments**

ttransformationId	A name to assigned to the inverse transformation. Used by the transform routines.
w	w is the linearization width in asymptotic decades. W should be $\geq 0$ and determines the slope of transformation at zero
t	Top of the scale data value, e.g, 10000 for common 4 decade data or 262144 for a 18 bit data range. t should be greater than zero.
m	m is the full width of the transformed display in asymptotic decades. m should be greater than zero.
a	Additional negative range to be included in the display in asymptotic decades. Positive values of the argument brings additional negative input values into the transformed display viewing area. Default value is zero corresponding to a Standard logicle function.

**Author(s)**

N. Gopalakrishnan

**References**

Parks D.R., Roederer M., Moore W.A.(2006) A new "logicle" display method avoids deceptive effects of logarithmic scaling for low signals and compensated data. CytometryA, 96(6):541-51.

**See Also**

[logicleTransform](#)

**Examples**

```
data(GvHD)
samp <- GvHD[[1]]
logicle <- logicleTransform(w=2, "logicle")
transformedData <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=logicle(`FSC-H`))

invLogicle <- inverseLogicleTransform(w=2, "InvLogicle")
untransformedData <- transform(transformedData, `FSC-H`=invLogicle(`FSC-H`))
all.equal(exprs(samp)[, "FSC-H"], exprs(untransformedData)[, "FSC-H"])
```

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invsplitscale-class

*Class "invsplitscale"*

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**Description**

The inverse split scale transformation is defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, r, \text{maxValue}, \text{transitionChannel}) = \frac{(\text{parameter} - b)}{a} \quad \text{parameter} \leq t * a + b$$

$$\frac{10^{\text{parameter} * \frac{d}{r}}}{c} \quad \text{parameter} > t * a + b$$

where,

$$b = \frac{\text{transitionChannel}}{2}$$

$$d = \frac{2 * \log_{10}(e) * r}{\text{transitionChannel}} + \log_{10}(\text{maxValue})$$

$$t = 10^{\log_{10} t}$$

$$a = \frac{\text{transitionChannel}}{2 * t}$$

$$\log_{10} ct = \frac{(a * t + b) * d}{r}$$

$$c = 10^{\log_{10} ct}$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `invsplitscale(parameters, r, maxValue, transitionChannel)`

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`r`: Object of class "numeric" -a positive value indicating the range of the logarithmical part of the display  
`maxValue`: Object of class "numeric" -a positive value indicating the maximum value the transformation is applied to  
`transitionChannel`: Object of class "numeric" -non negative value that indicates where to split the linear vs. logarithmical transformation  
`parameters`: Object of class "transformation" - flow parameter to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character" -unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`singleParameterTransform`", directly. Class "`transform`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 2. Class "`transformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 3. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "invplitscale" in the signature.

**Note**

The transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N,F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry

**See Also**

splitscale

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
sp1<-invplitscale("FSC-H", r=512, maxValue=2000, transitionChannel=512)
transOut<-eval(sp1)(exprs(dat))
```

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keyword-methods      *Methods to retrieve keywords of a flowFrame*

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## Description

Accessor and replacement methods for items in the description slot (usually read in from a FCS file header). It lists the `keywords` and its values for a `flowFrame` specified by a character vector. Additional methods for `function` and `lists` exists for more programmatic access to the keywords.

## Usage

```
keyword(object, keyword)
```

## Arguments

<code>object</code>	Object of class <code>flowFrame</code> .
<code>keyword</code>	Character vector or list of potential keywords or function. If missing all keywords are returned.

## Details

The `keyword` methods allow access to the keywords stored in the FCS files, either for a `flowFrame` or for a list of frames in a `flowSet`. The most simple use case is to provide a character vector or a list of character strings of keyword names. A more sophisticated version is to provide a function which has to take one mandatory argument, the value of this is the `flowFrame`. This can be used to query arbitrary information from the `flowFrames` `description` slot or even the raw data. The function has to return a single character string. The `list` methods allow to combine functional and direct keyword access. The replacement method takes a named character vector or a named list as input. R's usual recycling rules apply when replacing keywords for a whole `flowSet`.

## Methods

**object = "flowFrame", keyword = "character"** Return values for all keywords from the `description` slot in `object` that match the character vector `keyword`.

**object = "flowFrame", keyword = "function"** Apply the function in `keyword` on the `flowFrame` `object`. The function needs to be able to cope with a single argument and it needs to return a single character string. A typical use case is for instance to paste together values from several different keywords or to compute some statistic on the `flowFrame` and combine it with one or several other keywords.

**object = "flowFrame", keyword = "list"** Combine characters and functions in a list to select keyword values.

**object = "flowFrame", keyword = "missing"** This is essentially an alias for `description` and returns all keyword-value pairs.

**object = "flowSet", keyword = "list"** This is a wrapper around `fsApply(object, keyword, keyword)` which essentially iterates over the frames in the `flowSet`.

**object = "flowSet", keyword = "ANY"** This first coerces the `keyword` (mostly a character vector) to a list and then calls the next applicable method.

**Author(s)**

N LeMeur,F Hahne,B Ellis

**See Also**

[description](#)

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata","0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
keyword(samp)

keyword(samp, "FCSversion")

keyword(samp, function(x,...) paste(keyword(x, "SAMPLE ID"), keyword(x,
"GUID"), sep="_"))

keyword(samp) <- list(foo="bar")

data(GvHD)
keyword(GvHD, list("GUID", cellnumber=function(x) nrow(x)))

keyword(GvHD) <- list(sample=sampleNames(GvHD))
```

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kmeansFilter-class *Class "kmeansFilter"*

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**Description**

A filter that performs one-dimensional k-means (Lloyd-Max) clustering on a single flow parameter.

**Usage**

```
kmeansFilter(..., filterId="defaultKmeansFilter")
```

**Arguments**

... `kmeansFilter` are defined by a single flow parameter and an associated list of `k` population names. They can be given as a character vector via a named argument, or as a list with a single named argument. In both cases the name will be used as the flow parameter and the content of the list or of the argument will be used as population names, after coercing to character. For example

```
kmeansFilter(FSC=c("a", "b", "c"))
```

or

```
kmeansFilter(list(SSC=1:3))
```

If the parameter is not fully realized, but instead is the result of a [transformation](#) operation, two arguments need to be passed to the constructor: the first one being the [transform](#) object and the second being a vector of population names which can be coerced to a character. For example

```
kmeansFilter(tf, c("D", "E"))
```

`filterId` An optional parameter that sets the `filterId` of the object. The filter can later be identified by this name.

### Details

The one-dimensional k-means filter is a multiple population filter capable of operating on a single flow parameter. It takes a parameter argument associated with two or more populations and results in the generation of an object of class `multipleFilterResult`. Populations are considered to be ordered such that the population with the smallest mean intensity will be the first population in the list and the population with the highest mean intensity will be the last population listed.

### Value

Returns a `kmeansFilter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

### Extends

Class `parameterFilter`, directly.

Class `concreteFilter`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class `filter`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

### Slots

`populations`: Object of class `character`. The names of the `k` populations (or clusters) that will be created by the `kmeansFilter`. These names will later be used for the respective subpopulations in `split` operations and for the summary of the `filterResult`.

`parameters`: Object of class `parameters`, defining a single parameter for which the data in the `flowFrame` is to be clustered. This may also be a `transformation` object.

`filterId`: Object of class `character`, an identifier or name to reference the `kmeansFilter` object later on.

### Objects from the Class

Like all other `filter` objects in `flowCore`, `kmeansFilter` objects should be instantiated through their constructor `kmeansFilter()`. See the Usage section for details.

### Methods

**%in%** `signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "kmeansFilter")`: The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data.

*Usage:*

This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by the `filter` methods.

**show** `signature(object = "kmeansFilter")`: Print information about the filter.

*Usage:*

The method is called automatically whenever the object is printed on the screen.

### Note

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for plotting of `kmeansFilters`.

**Author(s)**

F. Hahne, B. Ellis, N. LeMeur

**See Also**

[flowFrame](#), [flowSet](#), [filter](#) for evaluation of `kmeansFilters` and [split](#) for splitting of flow cytometry data sets based on the result of the filtering operation.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create the filter
kf <- kmeansFilter("FSC-H"=c("Pop1", "Pop2", "Pop3"), filterId="myKmFilter")

## Filtering using kmeansFilters
fres <- filter(dat, kf)
fres
summary(fres)
names(fres)

## The result of quadGate filtering are multiple sub-populations
## and we can split our data set accordingly
split(dat, fres)

## We can limit the splitting to one or several sub-populations
split(dat, fres, population="Pop1")
split(dat, fres, population=list(keep=c("Pop1", "Pop2")))
```

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linearTransform	<i>Create the definition of a linear transformation function to be applied on a data set</i>
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**Description**

Create the definition of the linear Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x \leftarrow a \cdot x + b$

**Usage**

```
linearTransform(transformationId="defaultLinearTransform", a = 1, b = 0)
```

**Arguments**

transformationId	character string to identify the transformation
a	double that corresponds to the multiplicative factor in the equation
b	double that corresponds to the additive factor in the equation

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

N. LeMeur

**See Also**

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
linearTrans <- linearTransform(transformationId="Linear-transformation", a=2, b=0)
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=linearTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

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lnTransform	<i>Create the definition of a ln transformation function (natural logarithm) to be applied on a data set</i>
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**Description**

Create the definition of the ln Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x <- \log(x) * (r/d)$ . The transformation would normally be used to convert to a linear valued parameter to the natural logarithm scale. Typically  $r$  and  $d$  are both equal to 1.0. Both must be positive.

**Usage**

```
lnTransform(transformationId="defaultLnTransform", r=1, d=1)
```

**Arguments**

transformationId	character string to identify the transformation
r	positive double that corresponds to a scale factor.
d	positive double that corresponds to a scale factor

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis and N. LeMeur

**See Also**

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)



**Examples**

```

data(GvHD)
lnTrans <- lnTransform(transformationId="ln-transformation", r=1, d=1)
ln1 <- transform(GvHD, `FSC-H`=lnTrans(`FSC-H`))

opar = par(mfcol=c(2, 1))
plot(density(exprs(GvHD[[1]])[,1]), main="Original")
plot(density(exprs(ln1[[1]])[,1]), main="Ln Transform")

```

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logarithm-class      *Class "logarithm"*

---

**Description**

Logarithmic transformation of an argument is a transformation defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a, b) = \ln(a * \text{parameter}) * b \quad a * \text{parameter} > 0$$

$$0 \quad a * \text{parameter} \leq 0$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `logarithm(parameters, a, b, transformationId)`

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~~  
`a`: Object of class "numeric" -non zero multiplicative constant  
`b`: Object of class "numeric" -non zero multiplicative constant  
`parameters`: Object of class "transformation"-flow parameters to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character"-unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`singleParameterTransform`", directly. Class "`ttransform`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 2. Class "`transformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 3. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "logarithm" in the signature.

**Note**

The logarithm transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

exponential,quadratic

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
  package="flowCore"))
lg1<-logarithm(parameters="FSC-H", a=2, b=1, transformationId="lg1")
transOut<-eval(lg1)(exprs(dat))
```

---

logicalFilterResult-class  
*Class "logicalFilterResult"*

---

**Description**

Container to store the result of applying a filter on a flowFrame object

**Slots**

subSet: Object of class "numeric"  
frameId: Object of class "character" referencing the flowFrame object filtered. Used for sanity checking.  
filterDetails: Object of class "list" describing the filter applied  
filterId: Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

**Extends**

Class "[filterResult](#)", directly. Class "[filter](#)", by class "filterResult", distance 2.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

[filter](#)

**Examples**

```
showClass("logicalFilterResult")
```

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logicleTransform     *Computes a transform using the 'logicle\_transform' function*

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### Description

Logicle transformation creates a subset of [biexponentialTransform](#) hyperbolic sine transformation functions that provides several advantages over linear/log transformations for display of flow cytometry data.

### Usage

```
logicleTransform(transformationId="defaultLogicleTransform", w = 0,
                 t = 262144, m = 4.5, a=0, tol =.Machine$double.eps^0.8,
                 maxit = as.integer(5000))
```

### Arguments

transformationId	A name to assign to the transformation. Used by the transform/filter routines.
w	w is the linearization width in asymptotic decades. W should be $\geq 0$ and determines the slope of transformation at zero. w can be estimated using the equation $w=m-\log_{10}(t/abs(r))/2$ , where r is the most negative value to be included in the display
t	Top of the scale data value, e.g, 10000 for common 4 decade data or 262144 for a 18 bit data range. t should be greater than zero
m	m is the full width of the transformed display in asymptotic decades. m should be greater than zero
a	Additional negative range to be included in the display in asymptotic decades. Positive values of the argument brings additional negative input values into the transformed display viewing area. Default value is zero corresponding to a Standard logicle function.
tol	Acceptable tolerance of the root value
maxit	Maximum iterations allowed for the root search process

### Author(s)

B. Ellis N. LeMeur, N Gopalakrishnan

### References

Parks D.R., Roederer M., Moore W.A.(2006) A new "logicle" display method avoids deceptive effects of logarithmic scaling for low signals and compensated data. *CytometryA*, 96(6):541-51.

### See Also

[biexponentialTransform](#)

**Examples**

```
data(GvHD)
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
samp <- GvHD[[1]]
logicle <- logicleTransform(w=1, "logicle")
after <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=logicle(`FSC-H`))
```

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logTransform	<i>Create the definition of a log transformation function (base specified by user) to be applied on a data set</i>
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**Description**

Create the definition of the log Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x <- \log(x, \text{logbase}) * (r/d)$ . The transformation would normally be used to convert to a linear valued parameter to the natural logarithm scale. Typically `r` and `d` are both equal to 1.0. Both must be positive. `logbase = 10` corresponds to base 10 logarithm.

**Usage**

```
logTransform(transformationId="defaultLogTransform", logbase=10, r=1, d=1)
```

**Arguments**

<code>transformationId</code>	character string to identify the transformation
<code>logbase</code>	positive double that correponds to the base of the logarithm.
<code>r</code>	positive double that correponds to a scale factor.
<code>d</code>	positive double that correponds to a scale factor

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, N. LeMeur

**See Also**

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
logTrans <- logTransform(transformationId="log10-transformation", logbase=10, r=1, d=1)
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=logTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

---

manyFilterResult-class  
Class "manyFilterResult"

---

### Description

The result of a several related, but possibly overlapping filter results. The usual creator of this object will usually be a `filter` operation of `filterSet` object on a `flowFrame` object.

### Slots

`subSet`: Object of class "matrix"

`frameId`: Object of class "character" referencing the `flowFrame` object filtered. Used for sanity checking.

`filterDetails`: Object of class "list" describing the filter applied

`filterId`: Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

`dependency`: Any dependencies between the filters. Currently not used.

### Extends

Class "`filterResult`", directly. Class "`filter`", by class "`filterResult`", distance 2.

### Methods

`[,][[` subsetting. If `x` is `manyFilterResult`, then `x[[i]]` a `filterResult` object. The semantics is similar to the behavior of the subsetting operators for lists.

**length** number of `filterResult` objects in the set.

**names** names of the `filterResult` objects in the set.

**summary** summary `filterResult` objects in the set.

### Author(s)

B. Ellis

### See Also

`filterResult`

### Examples

```
showClass("manyFilterResult")
```

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```
multipleFilterResult-class  
  Class "multipleFilterResult"
```

---

### Description

Container to store the result of applying `filter` on set of `flowFrame` objects

### Slots

`subSet`: Object of class "factor"

`frameId`: Object of class "character" referencing the `flowFrame` object filtered. Used for sanity checking.

`filterDetails`: Object of class "list" describing the filter applied

`filterId`: Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

### Extends

Class "[filterResult](#)", directly. Class "[filter](#)", by class "filterResult", distance 2.

### Methods

`[, [` `subsetting`. If `x` is `multipleFilterResult`, then `x[[i]]` a `FilterResult` object. The semantics is similar to the behavior of the subsetting operators for lists.

`length` number of `FilterResult` objects in the set.

`names` names of the `FilterResult` objects in the set.

`summary` summary `FilterResult` objects in the set.

### Author(s)

B. Ellis

### See Also

[filterResult](#)

### Examples

```
showClass("multipleFilterResult")
```

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norm2Filter-class    *Class "norm2Filter"*

---

### Description

Class and constructors for a `filter` that fits a bivariate normal distribution to a data set of paired values and selects data points according to their standard deviation from the fitted distribution.

### Usage

```
norm2Filter(x, y, method="covMcd", scale.factor=1, n=50000,
  filterId="defaultNorm2Filter")
```

### Arguments

<code>x, y</code>	Characters giving the names of the measurement parameter on which the filter is supposed to work on. <code>y</code> can be missing in which case <code>x</code> is expected to be a character vector of length 2 or a list of characters.
<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> slot of this filter. The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>scale.factor, n</code>	Numerics of length 1, used to set the <code>scale.factor</code> and <code>n</code> slots of the object.
<code>method</code>	Character in <code>covMcd</code> or <code>cov.rob</code> , used to set the <code>method</code> slot of the object.

### Details

The filter fits a bivariate normal distribution to the data and selects all events within the Mahalanobis distance multiplied by the `scale.factor` argument. The constructor `norm2Filter` is a convenience function for object instantiation. Evaluating a `curv2Filter` results in an object of class `logicalFilterResult`. Accordingly, `norm2Filters` can be used to subset and to split flow cytometry data sets.

### Value

Returns a `norm2Filter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

### Extends

Class `"parameterFilter"`, directly.  
 Class `"concreteFilter"`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.  
 Class `"filter"`, by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

### Slots

`method`: One of `covMcd` or `cov.rob` defining method used for computation of covariance matrix.  
`scale.factor`: Numeric vector giving factor of standard deviations used for data selection (all points within `scalefac` standard deviations are selected).

**n:** Object of class "numeric", the number of events used to compute the covariance matrix of the bivariate distribution.

**filterId:** Object of class "character" referencing the filter.

**parameters:** Object of class "ANY" describing the parameters used to filter the [flowFrame](#) or [flowSet](#).

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("norm2Filter", ...)` or using the constructor `norm2Filter`. The constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

### Methods

**%in%** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `table = "norm2Filter"`): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the [filter](#) methods.

**show** signature(`object = "norm2Filter"`): Print information about the filter.

### Note

See the documentation in the [flowViz](#) package for plotting of `norm2Filters`.

### Author(s)

F. Hahne

### See Also

[cov.rob](#), [CovMcd](#), [filter](#) for evaluation of `norm2Filters` and [split](#) and [Subset](#) for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

### Examples

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create directly. Most likely from a command line
norm2Filter("FSC-H", "SSC-H", filterId="myCurv2Filter")

## To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
n2f <- norm2Filter(filterId="myNorm2Filter", x=list("FSC-H", "SSC-H"),
scale.factor=2)
n2f <- norm2Filter(filterId="myNorm2Filter", x=c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"),
scale.factor=2)

## Filtering using norm2Filter
fres <- filter(dat, n2f)
fres
summary(fres)

## The result of norm2 filtering is a logical subset
Subset(dat, fres)
```



```
## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
split(dat, fres)
```

---

```
normalization-class
```

```
Class "normalization"
```

---

## Description

Class and methods to normalize a `flowSet` using a potentially complex normalization function.

## Usage

```
normalization(parameters, normalizationId="defaultNormalization",
normFunction, arguments=list())
```

```
normalize(data, x)
```

## Arguments

<code>parameters</code>	Character vector of parameter names.
<code>normalizationId</code>	The identifier for the normalization object.
<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>flowSet</code> .
<code>normFunction</code>	The normalization function
<code>arguments</code>	The list of additional arguments to <code>normFunction</code>
<code>data</code>	The <code>flowSet</code> to normalize.

## Details

Data normalization of a `flowSet` is a rather fuzzy concept and the class mainly existst for method dispatch in the workflow tools. The idea is to have a rather general function that takes a `flowSet` and a list of parameter names as input and applies any kind of normalization to the respective data columns. The output of the function has to be a `flowSet` again. Although we don't formally check for it, the dimensions of the input and of the output set should remain the same. Additional arguments may be passed to the normalization function via the `arguments` list. Internally we evaluate the function using `do.call` and one should check its documentation for details.

Currently, the most prominent example for a normalization function is warping, as provided by the `flowStats` package.

## Value

A normalization object for the constructor.

A `flowSet` for the `normalize` methods.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the constructor `normalization()`. See the Usage and Arguments sections for details.

## Slots

**parameters:** Object of class "character". The flow parameters that are supposed to be normalized by the normalization function.

**normalizationId:** Object of class "character". An identifier for the object.

**normFunction:** Object of class "function" The normalization function. It has to take two mandatory arguments: `x`, the `flowSet`, and `parameters`, a character of parameter names that are to be normalized by the function. Additional arguments have to be passed in via `arguments`.

**arguments:** Object of class "list" A names list of additional arguments. Can be NULL.

## Methods

**add** signature(`wf = "workFlow"`, `action = "normalization"`): The constructor for the workFlow.

**identifier<-** signature(`object = "normalization"`, `value = "character"`): Set method for the identifier slot.

**identifier** signature(`object = "normalization"`): Get method for the identifier slot.

**normalize** signature(`data = "flowSet"`, `x = "normalization"`): Apply a normalization to a `flowSet`.

**parameters** signature(`object = "normalization"`): The more generic constructor.

## Author(s)

F. Hahne

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normalizeActionItem-class  
*Class "normalizeActionItem"*

---

## Description

Class and method to capture normalization operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

## Usage

```
normalizeActionItem(ID = paste("normActionRef", guid(), sep = "_"),
name = paste("action", identifier(get(normalization)), sep = "_"),
parentView, normalization, workflow)
```

**Arguments**

<code>workflow</code>	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
<code>ID</code>	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>parentView, normalization</code>	References to the parent <code>view</code> and <code>normalization</code> objects, respectively.

**Details**

`normalizeActionItems` provide a means to bind normalization operations like warping in a workflow. Each `normalizeActionItem` represents a single `normalization`.

**Value**

A reference to the `normalizeActionItem` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `normalizeActionItem` object for the constructor.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `normalizeActionItem` from a `normalization` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `normalizeActionItem` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**normalization:** Object of class `"fcNormalizationReference"`. A reference to the `normalization` object that is used for the compensation operation.

**ID:** Object of class `"character"`. A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

**name:** Object of class `"character"`. A more human-readable name

**parentView:** Object of class `"fcViewReference"`. A reference to the parent `view` the `normalizeActionItem` is applied on.

**env:** Object of class `"environment"`. The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**Extends**

Class `"actionItem"`, directly.

**Methods**

**print** signature(`x = "normalizeActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature(`symbol = "normalizeActionItem"`, `envir = "workFlow"`, `subSymbol = "character"`): Remove a `normalizeActionItem` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**show** signature(`object = "normalizeActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

[workFlow](#), [actionItem](#), [gateActionItem](#), [transformActionItem](#), [compensateActionItem](#), [view](#)

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

---

```
normalizeView-class
      Class "normalizeView"
```

---

**Description**

Class and method to capture the result of normalization operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

**Usage**

```
normalizeView(workflow, ID=paste("normViewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
              name="default", action, data)
```

**Arguments**

<code>workflow</code>	An object of class <a href="#">workFlow</a> for which a view is to be created.
<code>ID</code>	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>data, action</code>	References to the data and <a href="#">actionItem</a> objects, respectively.

**Value**

A reference to the `normalizeView` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `normalizeView` object for the constructor.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `normalizeView` from a `normalization` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `normalizeView` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.  
**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name  
**action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the [actionItem](#) that generated the view.  
**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.  
**data:** Object of class "fcDataReference" A reference to the data that is associated to the view.

**Extends**

Class `"view"`, directly.

**Methods**

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "normalizeView", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character")`: Remove a `normalizeView` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent `views` and `actionItems`.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `view`, `gateView`, `transformView`, `compensateView`, `actionItem`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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```
parameterFilter-class  
      Class "parameterFilter"
```

---

**Description**

A concrete filter that acts on a set of parameters.

**Objects from the Class**

`parameterFilter` objects are never created directly. This class serves as an inheritance point for filters that depends on particular parameters.

**Slots**

`parameters`: The names of the parameters employed by this filter

`filterId`: The filter identifier

**Extends**

Class `"concreteFilter"`, directly. Class `"filter"`, by class `"concreteFilter"`, distance 2.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class `"parameterFilter"` in the signature.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

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parameters-class    *Class "parameters"*

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### Description

A representation of flow parameters that allows for referencing.

### Objects from the Class

Objects will be created internally whenever necessary and this should not be of any concern to the user.

### Slots

.Data: A list of the individual parameters

### Extends

Class "[list](#)", from data part. Class "[vector](#)", by class "list", distance 2.

### Methods

No methods defined with class "parameters" in the signature.

### Author(s)

Nishant Gopalakrishnan

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parameters    *Obtain information about parameters for flow cytometry objects.*

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### Description

Many different objects in `flowCore` are associated with one or more parameters. This includes [filter](#), [flowFrame](#) and [parameterFilter](#) objects that all either describe or use parameters.

### Usage

```
parameters(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

`object`    Object of class [filter](#), [flowFrame](#) or [parameterFilter](#).  
`...`    Further arguments that get passed on to the methods.

### Value

When applied to a `flowFrame` object, the result is an [AnnotatedDataFrame](#) describing the parameters recorded by the cytometer. For other objects it will usually return a vector of names used by the object for its calculations.

**Methods**

**object = "filter"** Returns for all objects that inherit from `filter` a vector of parameters on which a gate is defined.

**object = "parameterFilter"** see above

**object = "setOperationFilter"** see above

**object = "filterReference"** see above

**object = "flowFrame"** Returns an `AnnotatedDataFrame` containing detailed descriptions about the measurement parameters of the `flowFrame`. For `flowFrame` objects there also exists a replacement method.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, N. Le Meur, F. Hahne

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
parameters(samp)
print(samp@parameters@data)
```

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```
parameterTransform-class
      Class "parameterTransform"
```

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**Description**

Link a transformation to particular flow parameters

**Objects from the Class**

Objects are created by using the `%on%` operator and are usually not directly instantiated by the user.

**Slots**

**.Data:** Object of class "function", the transformation function.

**parameters:** Object of class "character" The parameters the transformation is applied to.

**transformationId:** Object of class "character". The identifier for the object.

**Extends**

Class "`transform`", directly. Class "`function`", by class "`transform`", distance 2.

**Methods**

**%on%** signature(`e1` = "filter", `e2` = "parameterTransform"): Apply the transformation.

**%on%** signature(`e1` = "parameterTransform", `e2` = "flowFrame"): see above

**parameters** signature(`object` = "parameterTransform"): Accessor to the parameters slot

**Author(s)**

Byron Ellis

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polygonGate-class *Class "polygonGate"*

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**Description**

Class and constructor for 2-dimensional polygonal `filter` objects.

**Usage**

```
polygonGate(..., .gate, boundaries, filterId="defaultPolygonGate")
```

**Arguments**

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this gate.
<code>.gate, boundaries</code>	A definition of the gate. This can be either a list or a named matrix as described below. Note the argument <code>boundaries</code> is deprecated and will go away in the next release.
<code>...</code>	You can also directly describe a gate without wrapping it in a list or matrix, as described below.

**Details**

Polygons are specified by the coordinates of their vertices in two dimensions. The constructor is designed to be useful in both direct and programmatic usage. It takes either a list or a named matrix with 2 columns and at least 3 rows containing these coordinates. Alternatively, vertices can be given as named arguments, in which case the function tries to convert the values into a matrix.

**Value**

Returns a `polygonGate` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

**Extends**

Class "`parameterFilter`", directly.  
 Class "`concreteFilter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.  
 Class "`filter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

**Slots**

`boundaries`: Object of class "`matrix`". The vertices of the polygon in two dimensions. There need to be at least 3 vertices specified for a valid polygon.  
`parameters`: Object of class "`character`", describing the parameter used to filter the `flowFrame`.  
`filterId`: Object of class "`character`", referencing the filter.



## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("polygonGate", ...)` or by using the constructor `polygonGate`. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

## Methods

**%in%** signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "polygonGate"): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** signature(object = "polygonGate"): Print information about the filter.

## Note

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for plotting of `polygonGates`.

## Author(s)

F.Hahne, B. Ellis N. Le Meur

## See Also

`flowFrame`, `rectangleGate`, `ellipsoidGate`, `polytopeGate`, `filter` for evaluation of `rectangleGates` and `split` and `Subset` for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

## Examples

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Defining the gate
sqrcut <- matrix(c(300,300,600,600,50,300,300,50), ncol=2, nrow=4)
colnames(sqrcut) <- c("FSC-H", "SSC-H")
pg <- polygonGate(filterId="nonDebris", boundaries= sqrcut)
pg

## Filtering using polygonGates
fres <- filter(dat, pg)
fres
summary(fres)

## The result of polygon filtering is a logical subset
Subset(dat, fres)

## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
split(dat, fres)
```

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polytopeGate-class *Define filter boundaries*

---

### Description

Convenience methods to facilitate the construction of `filter` objects

### Usage

```
polytopeGate(..., .gate, b, filterId="defaultPolytopeGate")
```

### Arguments

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this gate.
<code>.gate</code>	A definition of the gate. This can be either a list, vector or matrix, described below.
<code>b</code>	Need documentation
<code>...</code>	You can also directly describe a gate without wrapping it in a list or matrix, as described below.

### Details

These functions are designed to be useful in both direct and programmatic usage.

For rectangle gate in  $n$  dimensions, if  $n=1$  the gate correspond to a range gate. If  $n=2$ , the gate is a rectangle gate. To use this function programmatically, you may either construct a list or you may construct a matrix with  $n$  columns and 2 rows. The first row corresponds to the minimal value for each parameter while the second row corresponds to the maximal value for each parameter. The names of the parameters are taken from the column names as in the third example.

Rectangle gate objects can also be multiplied together using the `*` operator, provided that both gate have orthogonal axes.

For polygone gate, the boundaries are specified as vertices in 2 dimensions, for polytope gate objects as vertices in  $n$  dimensions.

For quadrant gates, the boundaries are specified as a named list or vector of length two.

### Value

Returns a `rectangleGate` or `polygonGate` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

### Author(s)

F.Hahne, B. Ellis N. Le Meur

### See Also

`flowFrame`, `filter`

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quadGate-class      *Class "quadGate"*

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### Description

Class and constructors for quadrant-type `filter` objects.

### Usage

```
quadGate(..., .gate, filterId="defaultQuadGate")
```

### Arguments

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this <code>filter</code> . The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>.gate</code>	A definition of the gate for programmatic access. This can be either a named list or a named numeric vector, as described below.
<code>...</code>	The parameters of <code>quadGates</code> can also be directly described using named function arguments, as described below.

### Details

`quadGates` are defined by two parameters, which specify a separation of a two-dimensional parameter space into four quadrants. The `quadGate` function is designed to be useful in both direct and programmatic usage:

For the interactive use, these parameters can be given as additional named function arguments, where the names correspond to valid parameter names in a `flowFrame` or `flowSet`. For a more programmatic approach, a named list or numeric vector of the gate boundaries can be passed on to the function as argument `.gate`.

Evaluating a `quadGate` results in four sub-populations, and hence in an object of class `multipleFilterResult`. Accordingly, `quadGates` can be used to split flow cytometry data sets.

### Value

Returns a `quadGate` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

### Extends

Class "`parameterFilter`", directly.  
 Class "`concreteFilter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.  
 Class "`filter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

### Slots

`boundary`: Object of class "`numeric`", length 2. The boundaries of the quadrant regions.  
`parameters`: Object of class "`character`", describing the parameter used to filter the `flowFrame`.  
`filterId`: Object of class "`character`", referencing the gate.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("quadGate", ...)` or using the constructor `quadGate`. The latter is the recommended way of object instantiation:

## Methods

**%in%** signature(`x = "flowFrame"`, `table = "quadGate"`): The workhorse used to evaluate the gate on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** signature(`object = "quadGate"`): Print information about the gate.

## Note

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for plotting of `quadGates`.

## Author(s)

F.Hahne, B. Ellis N. Le Meur

## See Also

`flowFrame`, `flowSet`, `filter` for evaluation of `quadGates` and `split` for splitting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

## Examples

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

## Create directly. Most likely from a command line
quadGate(filterId="myQuadGate1", "FSC-H"=100, "SSC-H"=400)

## To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
quadGate(filterId="myQuadGate2", list("FSC-H"=100, "SSC-H"=400))
## FIXME: Do we want this?
##quadGate(filterId="myQuadGate3", .gate=c("FSC-H"=100, "SSC-H"=400))

## Filtering using quadGates
qg <- quadGate(filterId="quad", "FSC-H"=600, "SSC-H"=400)
fres <- filter(dat, qg)
fres
summary(fres)
names(fres)

## The result of quadGate filtering are multiple sub-populations
## and we can split our data set accordingly
split(dat, fres)

## We can limit the splitting to one or several sub-populations
split(dat, fres, population="FSC-H-SSC-H-")
split(dat, fres, population=list(keep=c("FSC-H-SSC-H-",
"FSC-H-SSC-H+")))
```

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quadratic-class      *Class "quadratic"*


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**Description**

Quadratic transform class defines a transformation defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a) = a * \text{parameter}^2$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `quadratic(parameters, a, transformationId)`

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~~

`a`: Object of class "numeric"-non zero mutiplicative constant

`parameters`: Object of class "transformation"-flow parameter to be transformed

`transformationId`: Object of class "character"-unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransform](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 2. Class "[transformation](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 3. Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "quadratic" in the signature.

**Note**

The quadratic transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a column vector. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

`dg1polynomial`, `ratio`, `squareroot`

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))
quad1<-quadratic(parameters="FSC-H", a=2, transformationId="quad1")
transOut<-eval(quad1)(exprs(dat))
```

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quadraticTransform *Create the definition of a quadratic transformation function to be applied on a data set*

---

**Description**

Create the definition of the quadratic Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x \leftarrow a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c$

**Usage**

```
quadraticTransform(transformationId="defaultQuadraticTransform", a = 1, b = 1, c = 0)
```

**Arguments**

<code>transformationId</code>	character string to identify the transformation
<code>a</code>	double that corresponds to the quadratic coefficient in the equation
<code>b</code>	double that corresponds to the linear coefficient in the equation
<code>c</code>	double that corresponds to the intercept in the equation

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

N. Le Meur

**See Also**

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
"0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
quadTrans <- quadraticTransform(transformationId="Quadratic-transformation", a=1, b=1, c=0)
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=quadTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

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```
randomFilterResult-class
      Class "randomFilterResult"
```

---

**Description**

Container to store the result of applying a `filter` on a `flowFrame` object

**Slots**

`subSet`: Object of class "numeric"  
`frameId`: Object of class "character" referencing the `flowFrame` object filtered. Used for sanity checking.  
`filterDetails`: Object of class "list" describing the filter applied  
`filterId`: Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

**Extends**

Class "`filterResult`", directly. Class "`filter`", by class "`filterResult`", distance 2.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

`filter`

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```
ratio-class      Class "ratio"
```

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**Description**

`ratio` transform calculates the ratio of two parameters defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}_1, \text{parameter}_2) = \frac{\text{parameter}_1}{\text{parameter}_2}$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `ratio(parameter1, parameter2, transformationId)`.

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`numerator`: Object of class "transformation" -flow parameter to be transformed  
`denominator`: Object of class "transformation" -flow parameter to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character" unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`transform`", directly. Class "`transformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 2.  
 Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 3.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "`ratio`" in the signature.

**Note**

The ratio transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as matrix with one column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

`dg1polynomial`, `quadratic`, `squareroot`

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
  package="flowCore"))
rat1<-ratio("FSC-H", "SSC-H", transformationId="rat1")
transOut<-eval(rat1)(exprs(dat))
```

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`read.FCSheader`      *Read the TEXT section of a FCS file*

---

**Description**

Read (part of) the TEXT section of a Data File Standard for Flow Cytometry that contains FACS keywords.

**Usage**

```
read.FCSheader(files, path=".", keyword=NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>files</code>	Character vector of filenames.
<code>path</code>	Directory where to look for the files.
<code>keyword</code>	An optional character vector that specifies the FCS keyword to read.



## Details

The function `read.FCSheader` works with the output of the FACS machine software from a number of vendors (FCS 2.0, FCS 3.0 and List Mode Data LMD). The output of the function is the TEXT section of the FCS files. The user can specify some keywords to limit the output to the information of interest.

## Value

A list of character vector. Each element of the list correspond to one FCS file.

## Author(s)

N.Le Meur

## See Also

`link[flowCore]{read.flowSet}`, `link[flowCore]{read.FCS}`

## Examples

```
samp <- read.FCSheader(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
samp

samp <- read.FCSheader(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"), keyword=c("$DATE", "$FIL"))
samp
```

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`read.FCS`

*Read an FCS file*

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## Description

Check validity and Read Data File Standard for Flow Cytometry

## Usage

```
isFCSfile(files)

read.FCS(filename, transformation="linearize", which.lines=NULL,
  alter.names=FALSE, column.pattern=NULL,
  decades=0, ncdf = FALSE, min.limit=NULL, dataset=NULL)

cleanup()
```

## Arguments

<code>files</code>	A vector of filenames
<code>filename</code>	Character of length 1: filename
<code>transformation</code>	An character string that defines the type of transformation. Valid values are <code>linearize</code> (default) or <code>scale</code> . The <code>linearize</code> transformation applies the appropriate power transform to the data while the <code>scale</code> transformation scales all columns to $[0, 10^{\text{decades}}]$ . defaulting to <code>decades=0</code> as in the FCS4 specification. A logical can also be used: <code>TRUE</code> is equal to <code>linearize</code> and <code>FALSE</code> corresponds to no transformation.
<code>which.lines</code>	Numeric vector to specify the indices of the lines to be read. If <code>NULL</code> all the records are read, if of length 1, a random sample of the size indicated by <code>which.lines</code> is read in.
<code>alter.names</code>	boolean indicating whether or not we should rename the columns to valid R names using <code>make.names</code> . The default is <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>column.pattern</code>	An optional regular expression defining parameters we should keep when loading the file. The default is <code>NULL</code> .
<code>decades</code>	When scaling is activated, the number of decades to use for the output.
<code>ncdf</code>	Instead of reading all data into memory, this switches to file-based data storage. A <code>netCDF</code> file is created for each <code>flowFrame</code> in the <code>.flowCoreNcdf</code> sub-directory. For large data sets this significantly reduces the memory profile of the R session, to the cost of speed and disk space. The <code>exprs</code> and <code>exprs&lt;-</code> methods make sure that the user always gets a matrix of data values. Please note that currently all operations that call <code>exprs&lt;-</code> , either explicitly or implicitly, will result in the creation of a new <code>netCDF</code> file. This behaviour may change in the future. Currently the software does not remove any of the <code>netCDF</code> files and it is up to the user to do clean up. The easiest way to do that is to delete the whole <code>netCDF</code> directory. To this end, one can invoke the <code>cleanup</code> function.
<code>min.limit</code>	The minimum value in the data range that is allowed. Some instruments produce extreme artifactual values. The positive data range for each parameter is completely defined by the measurement range of the instrument and all larger values are set to this threshold. The lower data boundary is not that well defined, since compensation might shift some values below the original measurement range of the instrument. The default value of <code>-111</code> copies the behavior of <code>flowJo</code> . It can be set to an arbitrary number or to <code>NULL</code> , in which case the original values are kept.
<code>dataset</code>	The FCS file specification allows for multiple data segments in a single file. Since the output of <code>read.FCS</code> is a single <code>flowFrame</code> we can't automatically read in all available sets. This parameter allows to choose one of the subsets for import. Its value is supposed to be an integer in the range of available data sets. This argument is ignored if there is only a single data segment in the FCS file.

## Details

The function `isFCSfile` determines whether its arguments are valid FCS files.

The function `read.FCS` works with the output of the FACS machine software from a number of vendors (FCS 2.0, FCS 3.0 and List Mode Data LMD). However, the FCS 3.0 standard includes some options that are not yet implemented in this function. If you need extensions, please let me know. The output of the function is an object of class `flowFrame`.

For specifications of FCS 3.0 see <http://www.isac-net.org> and the file `../doc/fcs3.html` in the doc directory of the package.

The `nlines` and `sampling` arguments allow you to read a subset of the record as you might not want to read the thousands of events recorded in the FCS file.

The `which.lines` argument allows you to read a specific number of records.

## Value

`isFCSfile` returns a logical vector.

`read.FCS` returns an object of class `flowFrame` that contains the data in the `exprs` slot, the parameters monitored in the `parameters` slot and the keywords and value saved in the header of the FCS file.

## Author(s)

F. Hahne, N.Le Meur

## See Also

```
link[flowCore]{read.flowSet}
```

## Examples

```
## a sample file
fcsFile <- system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore")

## read file and linearize values
samp <- read.FCS(fcsFile, transformation="linearize")
exprs(samp[1:3,])
description(samp)[3:6]
class(samp)

## Only read in lines 2 to 5
subset <- read.FCS(fcsFile, which.lines=2:5, transformation="linearize")
exprs(subset)

## Read in a random sample of 100 lines
subset <- read.FCS(fcsFile, which.lines=100, transformation="linearize")
nrow(subset)
```

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read.flowSet

*Read a set of FCS files*

---

## Description

Read one or several FCS files: Data File Standard for Flow Cytometry

## Usage

```
read.flowSet(files=NULL, path=".", pattern=NULL, phenoData,
             descriptions, name.keyword, alter.names=FALSE,
             transformation = "linearize", which.lines=NULL,
             column.pattern = NULL, decades=0, sep="\t",
             as.is=TRUE, name, ncdf=FALSE, dataset=NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

files	Optional character vector with filenames.
path	Directory where to look for the files.
pattern	This argument is passed on to <code>dir</code> , see details.
phenoData	An object of class <code>AnnotatedDataFrame</code> , character or a list of values to be extracted from the <code>flowFrame</code> object, see details.
descriptions	Character vector to annotate the object of class <code>flowSet</code> .
name.keyword	An optional character vector that specifies which FCS keyword to use as the sample names. If this is not set, the GUID of the FCS file is used for sample names, and if that is not present (or not unique), then the file names are used.
alter.names	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
transformation	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
which.lines	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
column.pattern	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
decades	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
sep	Separator character that gets passed on to <code>read.AnnotatedDataFrame</code> .
as.is	Logical that gets passed on to <code>read.AnnotatedDataFrame</code> . This controls the automatic coercion of characters to factors in the <code>phenoData</code> slot.
name	An optional character scalar used as name of the object.
ncdf	Instead of reading all data into memory, this switches to file-based data storage. See <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
dataset	see <code>read.FCS</code> for details.
...	Further arguments that get passed on to <code>read.AnnotatedDataFrame</code> , see details.

## Details

There are four different ways to specify the file from which data is to be imported:

First, if the argument `phenoData` is present and is of class `AnnotatedDataFrame`, then the file names are obtained from its sample names (i.e. column name). The column is mandatory, and an error will be generated if it is not there. Alternatively, the argument `phenoData` can be of class `character`, in which case this function tries to read a `AnnotatedDataFrame` object from the file with that name by calling `read.AnnotatedDataFrame(file.path(path, phenoData), ...)`.

In some cases the file names are not a reasonable selection criterion and the user might want to import files based on some keywords within the file. One or several keyword value pairs can be given as the `phenoData` argument in form of a named list.

Third, if the argument `phenoData` is not present and the argument `files` is not `NULL`, then `files` is expected to be a character vector with the file names.

Fourth, if neither the argument `phenoData` is present nor `files` is not `NULL`, then the file names are obtained by calling `dir(path, pattern)`.

### Value

An object of class `flowSet`.

### Author(s)

F. Hahne, N.Le Meur, B. Ellis

### Examples

```
fcs.loc <- system.file("extdata", package="flowCore")
file.location <- paste(fcs.loc, dir(fcs.loc), sep="/")

samp <- read.flowSet(file.location[1:3])
```

---

rectangleGate-class

*Class "rectangleGate"*

---

### Description

Class and constructor for n-dimensional rectangular `filter` objects.

### Usage

```
rectangleGate(..., .gate, filterId="defaultRectangleGate")
```

### Arguments

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this gate. The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>.gate</code>	A definition of the gate. This can be either a list, or a matrix, as described below.
<code>...</code>	You can also directly provide the boundaries of a <code>rectangleGate</code> as additional named arguments, as described below.

## Details

This class describes a rectangular region in  $n$  dimensions, which is a Cartesian product of  $n$  orthogonal intervals in these dimensions.  $n=1$  corresponds to a range gate,  $n=2$  to a rectangle gate,  $n=3$  corresponds to a box region and  $n>3$  to a hyper-rectangular regions. Intervals may be open on one side, in which case the value for the boundary is supposed to be `Inf` or `-Inf`, respectively. `rectangleGates` are inclusive, that means that events on the boundaries are considered to be in the gate.

The constructor is designed to be useful in both direct and programmatic usage. To use it programmatically, you may either construct a named list or you may construct a matrix with  $n$  columns and 2 rows. The first row corresponds to the minimal value for each parameter while the second row corresponds to the maximal value for each parameter. The names of the parameters are taken from the column names or from the list names, respectively. Alternatively, the boundaries of the `rectangleGate` can be given as additional named arguments, where each of these arguments should be a numeric vector of length 2; the function tries to collapse these boundary values into a matrix.

Note that boundaries of `rectangleGates` where `min > max` are syntactically valid, however when evaluated they will always be empty.

`rectangleGate` objects can also be multiplied using the `*` operator, provided that both gates have orthogonal axes. This results in higher-dimensional `rectangleGates`. The inverse operation of subsetting by parameter name(s) is also available.

Evaluating a `rectangleGate` generates an object of class `logicalFilterResult`. Accordingly, `rectangleGates` can be used to subset and to split flow cytometry data sets.

## Value

Returns a `rectangleGate` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

## Extends

Class "`parameterFilter`", directly.

Class "`concreteFilter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class "`filter`", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

## Slots

`min,max`: Objects of class "`numeric`". The minimum and maximum values of the  $n$ -dimensional rectangular region.

`parameters`: Object of class "`character`", indicating the parameters for which the `rectangleGate` is defined.

`filterId`: Object of class "`character`", referencing the filter.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("rectangleGate", ...)`, by using the constructor `rectangleGate` or by combining existing `rectangleGates` using the `*` method. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

**Methods**

**%in%** signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "rectangleGate"): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** signature(object = "rectangleGate"): Print information about the filter.

**\*** signature(e1 = "rectangleGate", e2 = "rectangleGate"): combining two rectangleGates into one higher dimensional representation.

**[** signature(x = "rectangleGate", i = "character"): Subsetting of a rectangleGate by parameter name(s). This is essentially the inverse to `*`.

**Note**

See the documentation in the `flowViz` package for details on plotting of rectangleGates.

**Author(s)**

F.Hahne, B. Ellis N. Le Meur

**See Also**

`flowFrame`, `polygonGate`, `ellipsoidGate`, `polytopeGate`, `filter` for evaluation of rectangleGates and `split` and `Subset` for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

#Create directly. Most likely from a command line
rectangleGate(filterId="myRectGate", "FSC-H"=c(200, 600), "SSC-H"=c(0, 400))

#To facilitate programmatic construction we also have the following
rg <- rectangleGate(filterId="myRectGate", list("FSC-H"=c(200, 600),
"SSC-H"=c(0, 400)))
mat <- matrix(c(200, 600, 0, 400), ncol=2, dimnames=list(c("min", "max"),
c("FSC-H", "SSC-H")))
rg <- rectangleGate(filterId="myRectGate", .gate=mat)

## Filtering using rectangleGates
fres <- filter(dat, rg)
fres
summary(fres)

## The result of rectangle filtering is a logical subset
Subset(dat, fres)

## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
split(dat, fres)

## Multiply rectangle gates
```

```
rg1 <- rectangleGate(filterId="FSC-", "FSC-H"=c(-Inf, 50))
rg2 <- rectangleGate(filterId="SSC+", "SSC-H"=c(50, Inf))
rg1 * rg2

## Subset rectangle gates
rg["FSC-H"]
```

---

sampleFilter-class *Class "sampleFilter"*

---

### Description

This non-parameter filter selects a number of events from the primary `flowFrame`.

### Usage

```
sampleFilter(size, filterId="defaultSampleFilter")
```

### Arguments

<code>filterId</code>	An optional parameter that sets the <code>filterId</code> of this <code>filter</code> . The object can later be identified by this name.
<code>size</code>	The number of events to select.

### Details

Selects a number of events without replacement from a `flowFrame`.

### Value

Returns a `sampleFilter` object for use in filtering `flowFrames` or other flow cytometry objects.

### Extends

Class "`concreteFilter`", directly.

Class "`filter`", by class `concreteFilter`, distance 2.

### Slots

`size`: Object of class "`numeric`". Then number of events that are to be selected.

`filterId`: A character vector that identifies this `filter`.

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("sampleFilter", ...)` or using the constructor `sampleFilter`. The latter is the recommended way of object instantiation:



**Methods**

**%in%** signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "sampleFilter"): The workhorse used to evaluate the gate on data. This is usually not called directly by the user, but internally by calls to the `filter` methods.

**show** signature(object = "sampleFilter"): Print information about the gate.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, F.Hahne

**See Also**

`flowFrame`, `filter` for evaluation of `sampleFilters` and `split` and `Subset` for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

**Examples**

```
## Loading example data
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))

#Create the filter
sf <- sampleFilter(filterId="mySampleFilter", size=500)
sf

## Filtering using sampeFilters
fres <- filter(dat, sf)
fres
summary(fres)

## The result of sample filtering is a logical subset
Subset(dat, fres)

## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
split(dat, fres)
```

---

scaleTransform	<i>Create the definition of a scale transformation function to be applied on a data set</i>
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**Description**

Create the definition of the scale Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x = (x-a)/(b-a)$ . The transformation would normally be used to convert to a 0-1 scale. In this case, `b` would be the maximum possible value and `a` would be the minimum possible value.

**Usage**

```
scaleTransform(transformationId="defaultScaleTransform", a, b)
```

**Arguments**

`transformationId`  
character string to identify the transformation

`a`  
double that corresponds to the value that will be transformed to 0

`b`  
double that corresponds to the value that will be transformed to 1

**Value**

Returns an object of class `transform`.

**Author(s)**

P. Haaland

**See Also**

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)

**Examples**

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",  
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))  
scaleTrans <- scaleTransform(transformationId="Truncate-transformation", a=1, b=10^4)  
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=scaleTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

---

setOperationFilter-class  
*Class "setOperationFilter"*

---

**Description**

Description goes here

**Slots**

`filters`: Object of class "list"

`filterId`: Object of class "character" referencing the filter applied

**Extends**

Class "[filter](#)", directly.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

[filter](#)

---

```
singleParameterTransform-class
      Class "singleParameterTransform"
```

---

**Description**

A transformation that operates on a single parameter

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("singleParameterTransform", ...)`.

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function". The transformation.

`parameters`: Object of class "transformation". The parameter to transform. Can be a derived parameter from another transformation.

`transformationId`: Object of class "character". An identifier for the object.

**Extends**

Class "`transform`", directly. Class "`transformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 2. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`transform`", distance 3.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "singleParameterTransform" in the signature.

**Author(s)**

F Hahne

**Examples**

```
showClass("singleParameterTransform")
```

---

```
sinht-class      Class "sinht"
```

---

**Description**

~~ A concise (1-5 lines) description of what the class is. ~~

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("sinht", parameters, ...)`. ~~ describe objects here ~~

**Slots**

.Data: Object of class "function" ~~  
 a: Object of class "numeric"- non zero constant  
 b: Object of class "numeric"- non zero constant  
 parameters: Object of class "transformation" -flow parameters to be transformed  
 transformationId: Object of class "character" -unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransform](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 2. Class "[transformation](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 3. Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "sinht" in the signature.

**Note**

The transformation object can be evaluated using the eval method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry V 1.5

**See Also**

asinht

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
sinh1 <- sinht(parameters="FSC-H", a=1, b=2000, transformationId="sinH1")
transOut <- eval(sinh1)(exprs(dat))
```

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`spillover`*Compute a spillover matrix from a flowSet*

---

**Description**

Spillover information for a particular experiment is often obtained by running several tubes of beads or cells stained with a single color that can then be used to determine a spillover matrix for use with [compensate](#).

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'flowSet':
spillover(x, unstained = NULL, patt = NULL, fsc = "FSC-A",
          ssc = "SSC-A", method = "median", useNormFilt=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A flowSet of compensation beads or cells
<code>unstained</code>	The name of index of the unstained negative control
<code>patt</code>	An optional regular expression defining which parameters should be considered.
<code>fsc</code>	The name or index of the forward scatter parameter
<code>ssc</code>	The name or index of the side scatter parameter
<code>method</code>	The statistic to use for calculation. Traditionally, this has been the median so it is the default. The mean is sometimes more stable.
<code>useNormFilt</code>	Logical Indicating whether to apply a <a href="#">norm2Filter</a> first before computing the spillover

**Details**

The algorithm used is fairly simple. First, using the scatter parameters, we restrict ourselves to the most closely clustered population to reduce the amount of debris. The selected statistic is then calculated on all appropriate parameters and the unstained values swept out of the matrix. Every sample is then normalized to [0,1] with respect to the maximum value of the sample, giving the spillover in terms of a proportion of the primary channel intensity.

**Value**

A matrix for each of the parameters

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**References**

C. B. Bagwell & E. G. Adams (1993). Fluorescence spectral overlap compensation for any number of flow cytometry parameters. in: Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, 677:167-184.

**See Also**

[compensate](#)

## Description

Divide a flow cytometry data set into several subset according to the results of a filtering operation. There are also methods available to split according to a factor variable.

## Details

The splitting operation in the context of `flowFrames` and `flowSets` is the logical extension of subsetting. While the latter only returns the events contained within a gate, the former splits the data into the groups of events contained within and those not contained within a particular gate. This concept is extremely useful in applications where gates describe the distinction between positivity and negativity for a particular marker.

The flow data structures in `flowCore` can be split into subsets on various levels:

`flowFrame`: row-wise splitting of the raw data. In most cases, this will be done according to the outcome of a filtering operation, either using a filter that identifies more than one sub-population or by a logical filter, in which case the data is split into two populations: "in the filter" and "not in the filter". In addition, the data can be split according to a factor (or a numeric or character vector that can be coerced into a factor).

`flowSet`: can be either split into subsets of `flowFrames` according to a factor or a vector that can be coerced into a factor, or each individual `flowFrame` into subpopulations based on the `filters` or `filterResults` provided as a list of equal length.

Splitting has a special meaning for filters that result in `multipleFilterResults` or `manyFilterResults`, in which case simple subsetting doesn't make much sense (there are multiple populations that are defined by the gate and it is not clear which of those should be used for the subsetting operation). Accordingly, splitting of `multipleFilterResults` creates multiple subsets. The argument `population` can be used to limit the output to only one or some of the resulting subsets. It takes as values a character vector of names of the populations of interest. See the documentation of the different filter classes on how population names can be defined and the respective default values. For splitting of `logicalFilterResults`, the `population` argument can be used to set the population names since there is no reasonable default other than the name of the gate. The content of the argument `prefix` will be prepended to the population names and '+' or '-' are finally appended allowing for more flexible naming schemes.

The default return value for any of the `split` methods is a list, but the optional logical argument `filterSet` can be used to return a `flowSet` instead. This only applies when splitting `flowFrames`, splitting of `flowSets` always results in lists of `flowSet` objects.

## Methods

`flowFrame` methods:

**x = "flowFrame", f = "ANY", drop = "ANY"** Catch all input and cast an error if there is no method for `f` to dispatch to.

**x = "flowFrame", f = "factor", drop = "ANY"** Split a `flowFrame` by a factor variable. Length of `f` should be the same as `nrow(x)`, otherwise it will be recycled, possibly leading to undesired outcomes. The optional argument `drop` works in the usual way, in that it removes empty levels from the factor before splitting.

- x = "flowFrame", f = "character", drop = "ANY"** Coerce `f` to a factor and split on that.
- x = "flowFrame", f = "numeric", drop = "ANY"** Coerce `f` to a factor and split on that.
- x = "flowFrame", f = "filter", drop = "ANY"** First applies the `filter` to the `flowFrame` and then splits on the resulting `filterResult` object.
- x = "flowFrame", f = "filterSet", drop = "ANY"** First applies the `filterSet` to the `flowFrame` and then splits on the resulting final `filterResult` object.
- x = "flowFrame", f = "logicalFilterResult", drop = "ANY"** Split into the two subpopulations (in and out of the gate). The optional argument `population` can be used to control the names of the results.
- x = "flowFrame", f = "manyFilterResult", drop = "ANY"** Split into the several subpopulations identified by the filtering operation. Instead of returning a list, the additional logical argument `codeflowSet` makes the method return an object of class `flowSet`. The optional `population` argument takes a character vector indicating the subpopulations to use for splitting (as identified by the population name in the `filterDetails` slot).
- x = "flowFrame", f = "multipleFilterResult", drop = "ANY"** Split into the several subpopulations identified by the filtering operation. Instead of returning a list, the additional logical argument `codeflowSet` makes the method return an object of class `flowSet`. The optional `population` argument takes a character vector indicating the subpopulations to use for splitting (as identified by the population name in the `filterDetails` slot). Alternatively, this can be a list of characters, in which case the populations for each list item are collapsed into one `flowFrame`.

`flowSet` methods:

- x = "flowSet", f = "ANY", drop = "ANY"** Catch all input and cast an error if there is no method for `f` to dispatch to.
- x = "flowSet", f = "factor", drop = "ANY"** Split a `flowSet` by a factor variable. Length of `f` needs to be the same as `length(x)`. The optional argument `drop` works in the usual way, in that it removes empty levels from the factor before splitting.
- x = "flowSet", f = "character", drop = "ANY"** Coerce `f` to a factor and split on that.
- x = "flowSet", f = "numeric", drop = "ANY"** Coerce `f` to a factor and split on that.
- x = "flowSet", f = "list", drop = "ANY"** Split a `flowSet` by a list of `filterResults` (as typically returned by filtering operations on a `flowSet`). The length of the list has to be equal to the length of the `flowSet` and every list item needs to be a `filterResult` of equal class with the same parameters. Instead of returning a list, the additional logical argument `codeflowSet` makes the method return an object of class `flowSet`. The optional `population` argument takes a character vector indicating the subpopulations to use for splitting (as identified by the population name in the `filterDetails` slot). Alternatively, this can be a list of characters, in which case the populations for each list item are collapsed into one `flowFrame`. Note that using the `population` argument implies common population names for all `filterResults` in the list and there will be an error if this is not the case.

#### Author(s)

F Hahne, B. Ellis, N. Le Meur

**Examples**

```

data(GvHD)
qGate <- quadGate(filterId="qg", "FSC-H"=200, "SSC-H"=400)

## split a flowFrame by a filter that creates
## a multipleFilterResult
samp <- GvHD[[1]]
fres <- filter(samp, qGate)
split(samp, qGate)

## return a flowSet rather than a list
split(samp, fres, flowSet=TRUE)

## only keep one population
names(fres)
##split(samp, fres, population="FSC-Height+SSC-Height+")

## split the whole set, only keep two populations
##split(GvHD, qGate, population=c("FSC-Height+SSC-Height+",
##"FSC-Height-SSC-Height+"))

## now split the flowSet according to a factor
split(GvHD, pData(GvHD)$Patient)

```

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splitscale-class    *Class "splitscale"*


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**Description**

The split scale transformation class defines a transformation that has a logarithmic scale at high values and a linear scale at low values. The transition points are chosen so that the slope of the transformation is continuous at the transition points.

The split scale transformation is defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, r, \text{maxValue}, \text{transitionChannel}) = a * \text{parameter} + b \quad \text{parameter} \leq t$$

$$\log_{10}(c * \text{parameter}) * \frac{r}{d} \quad \text{parameter} > t$$

where,

$$b = \frac{\text{transitionChannel}}{2}$$

$$d = \frac{2 * \log_{10}(e) * r}{\text{transitionChannel}} + \log_{10}(\text{maxValue})$$

$$t = 10^{\log_{10} t}$$

$$a = \frac{\text{transitionChannel}}{2 * t}$$

$$\log_{10} ct = \frac{(a * t + b) * d}{r}$$

$$c = 10^{\log_{10} ct}$$



## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `splitscale(parameters, r, maxValue, transitionChannel)`

## Slots

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`r`: Object of class "numeric"-a positive value indicating the range of the logarithmical part of the display  
`maxValue`: Object of class "numeric" -a positive value indicating the maximum value the transformation is applied to  
`transitionChannel`: Object of class "numeric" -non negative value that indicates where to split the linear vs. logarithmical transformation  
`parameters`: Object of class "transformation" - flow parameter to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character"-unique ID to reference the transformation

## Extends

Class "[singleParameterTransform](#)", directly. Class "[ttransform](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 2. Class "[transformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 3. Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "singleParameterTransform", distance 4.

## Methods

No methods defined with class "splitscale" in the signature.

## Note

The transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a matrix with a single column. (See example below)

## Author(s)

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

## References

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry

## See Also

`invsplitscale`

## Examples

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
sp1<-splitscale("FSC-H", r=768, maxValue=10000, transitionChannel=256)
transOut<-eval(sp1)(exprs(dat))
```

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`splitScaleTransform`*Compute the split-scale transformation describe by FL. Battye*

---

### Description

The split scale transformation described by Francis L. Battye [B15] (Figure 13) consists of a logarithmic scale at high values and a linear scale at low values with a fixed transition point chosen so that the slope (first derivative) of the transform is continuous at that point. The scale extends to the negative of the transition value that is reached at the bottom of the display.

### Usage

```
splitScaleTransform(transformationId="defaultSplitscaleTransform", maxValue=1023
```

### Arguments

<code>transformationId</code>	A name to assign to the transformation. Used by the transform/filter integration routines.
<code>maxValue</code>	Maximum value the transformation is applied to, e.g., 1023
<code>transitionChannel</code>	Where to split the linear versus the logarithmical transformation, e.g., 64
<code>r</code>	Range of the logarithm part of the display, ie. it may be expressed as the maxChannel - transitionChannel considering the maxChannel as the maximum value to be obtained after the transformation.

### Value

Returns values giving the inverse of the biexponential within a certain tolerance. This function should be used with care as numerical inversion routines often have problems with the inversion process due to the large range of values that are essentially 0. Do not be surprised if you end up with population splitting about  $w$  and other odd artifacts.

### Author(s)

N. LeMeur

### References

Battye F.L. A Mathematically Simple Alternative to the Logarithmic Transform for Flow Cytometric Fluorescence Data Displays. <http://www.wehi.edu.au/cytometry/Abstracts/AFCG05B.html>.

### See Also

[transform](#)

**Examples**

```

data(GvHD)
ssTransform <- splitScaleTransform("mySplitTransform")
after.1 <- transform(GvHD, `FSC-H` = ssTransform(`FSC-H`))

opar = par(mfcol=c(2, 1))
plot(density(exprs(GvHD[[1]])[, 1]), main="Original")
plot(density(exprs(after.1[[1]])[, 1]), main="Split-scale Transform")

```

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sqrroot-class    *Class "sqrroot"*

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**Description**

Square root transform class defines a transformation defined by the function

$$f(\text{parameter}, a) = \sqrt{\left| \frac{\text{parameter}}{a} \right|}$$

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `sqrroot(parameters, a, transformationId)`

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~~

`a`: Object of class "numeric" -non zero multiplicative constant

`parameters`: Object of class "transformation"-flow parameter to be transformed

`transformationId`: Object of class "character" -unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`singleParameterTransform`", directly. Class "`transform`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 2. Class "`transformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 3. Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "`singleParameterTransform`", distance 4.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "sqrroot" in the signature.

**Note**

The `sqrroot` transformation object can be evaluated using the `eval` method by passing the data frame as an argument. The transformed parameters are returned as a column vector. (See example below)

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**References**

Gating-ML Candidate Recommendation for Gating Description in Flow Cytometry

**See Also**

`dg1polynomial`, `ratio`, `quadratic`

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
  package="flowCore"))
sqrt1<-squareroot(parameters="FSC-H", a=2, transformationId="sqrt1")
transOut<-eval(sqrt1)(exprs(dat))
```

---

Subset

*Subset a flowFrame or a flowSet*

---

**Description**

An equivalent of a `subset` function for `flowFrame` or a `flowSet` object. Alternatively, the regular subsetting operators can be used for most of the topics documented here.

**Usage**

```
Subset(x, subset, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	The flow object, frame or set, to subset.
<code>subset</code>	A filter object or, in the case of <code>flowSet</code> subsetting, a named list of filters.
<code>...</code>	Like the original <code>subset</code> function, you can also select columns.

**Details**

The `Subset` method is the recommended method for obtaining a `flowFrame` that only contains events consistent with a particular filter. It is functionally equivalent to `frame[as(filter(frame, subset), "logical")]` when used in the `flowFrame` context. Used in the `flowSet` context, it is equivalent to using `fsApply` to apply the filtering operation to each `flowFrame`.

Additionally, using `Subset` on a `flowSet` can also take a named list as the subset. In this case, the names of the list object should correspond to the `sampleNames` of the `flowSet`, allowing a different filter to be applied to each frame. If not all of the names are used or excess names are present, a warning will be generated but the valid filters will be applied for the rare instances where this is the intended operation. Note that a `filter` operation will generate a list of `filterResult` objects that can be used directly with `Subset` in this manner.

**Value**

Depending on the original context, either a `flowFrame` or a `flowSet`.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis

**See Also**

[split](#), [subset](#)

**Examples**

```
sample <- read.flowSet(path=system.file("extdata", package="flowCore"),
  pattern="0877408774")
result <- filter(sample, rectangleGate("FSC-H"=c(-Inf, 1024)))
result
Subset (sample, result)
```

---

```
subsettingActionItem-class
  Class "subsettingActionItem"
```

---

**Description**

Class and method to capture subsetting operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

**Usage**

```
subsettingActionItem(ID = paste("subActionRef", guid(), sep = "_"),
  name = paste("action", identifier(get(subsetting)), sep = "_"),
  parentView, subsetting, workflow)
```

**Arguments**

<code>workflow</code>	An object of class <a href="#">workFlow</a> for which a view is to be created.
<code>ID</code>	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>parentView, subsetting</code>	References to the parent <a href="#">view</a> and <a href="#">subsetting</a> objects, respectively.

**Details**

`subsettingActionItems` provide a means to bind subsetting operations in a workflow. Each `subsettingActionItem` represents a single [subsetting](#).

**Value**

A reference to the `subsettingActionItem` that is created inside the [workFlow](#) environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `subsettingActionItem` object for the constructor.

## Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `subsettingActionItem` from a `normalization` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `subsettingActionItem` constructor function for more programmatic access.

## Slots

**subsetting:** Object of class `"fcSubsettingReference"`. A reference to the `subsetting` object that is used for the operation.

**ID:** Object of class `"character"`. A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

**name:** Object of class `"character"`. A more human-readable name

**parentView:** Object of class `"fcViewReference"`. A reference to the parent `view` the `subsettingActionItem` is applied on.

**env:** Object of class `"environment"`. The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

## Extends

Class `"actionItem"`, directly.

## Methods

**print** signature(`x = "subsettingActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature(`symbol = "subsettingActionItem"`, `envir = "workFlow"`, `subSymbol = "character"`): Remove a `subsettingActionItem` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**show** signature(`object = "subsettingActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

## Author(s)

Florian Hahne

## See Also

`workFlow`, `actionItem`, `gateActionItem`, `transformActionItem`, `compensateActionItem`, `view`

## Examples

```
showClass("view")
```

---

subsetting-class    *Class "subsetting"*

---

### Description

Class and methods to subset a a flowSet. This is only needed for method dispatch in the work-Flow framework.

### Usage

```
subsetting(indices, subsettingId="defaultSubsetting")
```

### Arguments

`indices`            Character or numeric vector of sample names.  
`subsettingId`    The identifier for the subsetting object.

### Details

The class mainly existst for method dispatch in the workflow tools.

### Value

A `subsetting` object.

### Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the constructor `subsetting()`. See the Usage and Arguments sections for details.

### Slots

`subsettingId`: Object of class "character". An identifier for the object.  
`indices`: Object of class "numericOrCharacter". Indices into a flowSet.

### Methods

**add** signature(wf = "workFlow", action = "subsetting"): The constructor for the workFlow.

**identifier<-** signature(object = "subsetting", value = "character"): Set method for the identifier slot.

**identifier** signature(object = "subsetting"): Get method for the identifier slot.

**show** signature(object = "subsetting"): Show details about the object.

### Author(s)

F. Hahne

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 subsettingView-class

*Class "subsettingView"*


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### Description

Class and method to capture the result of subsetting operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

### Usage

```
subsettingView(workflow, ID=paste("subViewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
               name="default", action, data)
```

### Arguments

workflow	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
ID	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
name	A more human-readable name of the view.
data, action	References to the data and <code>actionItem</code> objects, respectively.

### Value

A reference to the `subsettingView` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `subsettingView` object for the constructor.

### Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `subsettingView` from a `subsetting` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `subsettingView` constructor function for more programmatic access.

### Slots

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the `actionItem` that generated the view.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**data:** Object of class "fcDataReference" A reference to the data that is associated to the view.

### Extends

Class "`view`", directly.



**Methods**

**Rm** signature(symbol = "subsettingView", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a subsettingView from a workFlow. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and actionItems.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

[workFlow](#), [view](#), [gateView](#), [transformView](#), [compensateView](#), [actionItem](#)

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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summarizeFilter-methods

*Methods for function summarizeFilter*

---

**Description**

Internal methods to populate the filterDetails slot of a [filterResult](#) object.

**Methods**

**result = "filterResult", filter = "filter"** summarizeFilter methods are called during the process of filtering. Their output is a list, and it can be arbitrary data that should be stored along with the results of a filtering operation.

**result = "filterResult", filter = "filterReference"** see above

**result = "filterResult", filter = "parameterFilter"** see above

**result = "filterResult", filter = "subsetFilter"** see above

**result = "logicalFilterResult", filter = "norm2Filter"** see above

**result = "logicalFilterResult", filter = "parameterFilter"** see above

**result = "multipleFilterResult", filter = "curv1Filter"** see above

**result = "multipleFilterResult", filter = "curv2Filter"** see above

**result = "multipleFilterResult", filter = "parameterFilter"** see above

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timeFilter-class    *Class "timeFilter"*

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### Description

Define a [filter](#) that removes stretches of unusual data distribution within a single parameter over time. This can be used to correct for problems during data acquisition like air bubbles or clods.

### Usage

```
timeFilter(..., bandwidth=0.75, binSize, timeParameter,  
filterId="defaultTimeFilter")
```

### Arguments

`...`            The names of the parameters on which the filter is supposed to work on. Names can either be given as individual arguments, or as a list or a character vector.

`filterId`        An optional parameter that sets the `filterId` slot of this gate. The object can later be identified by this name.

`bandwidth, binSize`    Numerics used to set the `bandwidth` and `binSize` slots of the object.

`timeParameter`      Character used to set the `timeParameter` slot of the object.

### Details

Clods and disturbances in the laminar flow of a FACS instrument can cause temporal aberrations in the data acquisition that lead to artifactual values. `timeFilters` try to identify such stretches of disturbance by computing local variance and location estimates and to remove them from the data.

### Value

Returns a [timeFilter](#) object for use in filtering [flowFrames](#) or other flow cytometry objects.

### Extends

Class "[parameterFilter](#)", directly.

Class "[concreteFilter](#)", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 2.

Class "[filter](#)", by class `parameterFilter`, distance 3.

### Slots

`bandwidth`: Object of class "numeric". The sensitivity of the filter, i.e., the amount of local variance of the signal we want to allow.

`binSize`: Object of class "numeric". The size of the bins used for the local variance and location estimation. If `NULL`, a reasonable default is used when evaluating the filter.

**timeParameter:** Object of class "character", used to define the time domain parameter. If NULL, the filter tries to guess the time domain from the flowFrame.

**parameters:** Object of class "character", describing the parameters used to filter the flowFrame.

**filterId:** Object of class "character", referencing the filter.

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("timeFilter", ...)` or using the constructor `timeFilter`. Using the constructor is the recommended way of object instantiation:

### Methods

**%in%** signature(x = "flowFrame", table = "timeFilter"): The workhorse used to evaluate the filter on data. This is usually not called directly by the user.

**show** signature(object = "timeFilter"): Print information about the filter.

### Note

See the documentation of `timeLinePlot` in the `flowViz` package for details on visualizing temporal problems in flow cytometry data.

### Author(s)

Florian Hahne

### See Also

`flowFrame`, `filter` for evaluation of timeFilters and `split` and `Subset` for splitting and subsetting of flow cytometry data sets based on that.

### Examples

```
## Loading example data
data(GvHD)
dat <- GvHD[1:10]

## create the filter
tf <- timeFilter("SSC-H", bandwidth=1, filterId="myTimeFilter")
tf

## Visualize problems
## Not run:
library(flowViz)
timeLinePlot(dat, "SSC-H")

## End(Not run)

## Filtering using timeFilters
fres <- filter(dat, tf)
fres[[1]]
summary(fres[[1]])
summary(fres[[7]])

## The result of rectangle filtering is a logical subset
```

```

cleanDat <- Subset(dat, fres)

## Visualizing after cleaning up
## Not run:
timeLinePlot(cleanDat, "SSC-H")

## End(Not run)

## We can also split, in which case we get those events in and those
## not in the gate as separate populations
allDat <- split(dat[[7]], fres[[7]])

par(mfcol=c(1,3))
plot(exprs(dat[[7]])[, "SSC-H"], pch=".")
plot(exprs(cleanDat[[7]])[, "SSC-H"], pch=".")
plot(exprs(allDat[[2]])[, "SSC-H"], pch=".")

```

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```

transformActionItem-class
      Class "transformActionItem"

```

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## Description

Class and method to capture transformation operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

## Usage

```

transformActionItem(ID = paste("transActionRef", guid(), sep = "_"),
  name=paste("action", identifier(get(transform)), sep =
    "_"), parentView, transform, workflow)

```

## Arguments

workflow	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
ID	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
name	A more human-readable name of the view.
parentView, transform	References to the parent <code>view</code> and <code>transform</code> objects, respectively.

## Details

`transformActionItems` provide a means to bind transformation operations in a workflow. Each `transformActionItem` represents a single `transform`.

## Value

A reference to the `transformActionItem` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `transformActionItem` object for the constructor.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `transformActionItem` from a `transform` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `transformActionItem` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**transform:** Object of class "fcTransformReference". A reference to the `transform` object that is used for the transformation operation.

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the `actionItem`.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**parentView:** Object of class "fcViewReference". A reference to the parent `view` the `transformActionItem` is applied on.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**Extends**

Class "`actionItem`", directly.

**Methods**

**print** signature (`x = "transformActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature (`symbol = "transformActionItem"`, `envir = "workFlow"`, `subSymbol = "character"`): Remove a `transformActionItem` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**show** signature (`object = "transformActionItem"`): Print details about the object.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `actionItem`, `gateActionItem`, `compensateActionItem`, `view`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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```
transformation-class
```

```
Class "transformation"
```

---

**Description**

A virtual class to abstract transformations.

**Objects from the Class**

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

**Extends**

Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", directly.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "transform" in the signature.

**Author(s)**

N. Gopalakrishnan

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transform-class	<i>'transform': a class for transforming flow-cytometry data by applying scale factors.</i>
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**Description**

Transform objects are simply functions that have been extended to allow for specialized dispatch. All of the "...Transform" constructors return functions of this type for use in one of the transformation modalities.

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function"  
`transformationId`: A name for the transformation object

**Methods**

`summary` Return the parameters

**Author(s)**

N LeMeur

**See Also**

[linearTransform](#), [lnTransform](#), [logicleTransform](#), [biexponentialTransform](#), [arcsinhTransform](#), [quadraticTransform](#), [logTransform](#)

**Examples**

```
cosTransform <- function(transformId, a=1, b=1){
  t = new("transform", .Data = function(x) cos(a*x+b))
  t@transformationId = transformId
  t
}

cosT <- cosTransform(transformId="CosT", a=2, b=1)

summary(cosT)
```

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`transformFilter-class`

*A class for encapsulating a filter to be performed on transformed parameters*

---

## Description

The `transformFilter` class is a mechanism for including one or more variable transformations into the filtering process. Using a special case of `transform` we can introduce transformations inline with the filtering process eliminating the need to process `flowFrame` objects before applying a filter.

## Objects from the Class

Objects of this type are not generally created “by hand”. They are a side effect of the use of the `%on%` method with a `filter` object on the left hand side and a `transformList` on the right hand side.

## Slots

`transforms`: A list of transforms to perform on the target `flowFrame`

`filter`: The filter to be applied to the transformed frame

`filterId`: The name of the filter (chosen automatically)

## Extends

Class "`filter`", directly.

## Author(s)

B. Ellis

## See Also

"`filter`", "`transform`", `transform`

## Examples

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))

## Gate this object after log transforming the forward and side
## scatter variables
filter(samp, norm2Filter("FSC-H", "SSC-H", scale.factor=2)
      %on% transform("FSC-H=log", "SSC-H=log"))
```

---

```
transformList-class
```

*Class "transformList"*

---

## Description

Class "transformList"

## Usage

```
transformList(from, tfun, to=from, transformationId =
              "defaultTransformation")
```

## Arguments

<code>from, to</code>	Characters giving the names of the measurement parameter on which to transform on and into which the result is supposed to be stored. If both are equal, the existing parameters will be overwritten.
<code>tfun</code>	A list of functions or a character vector of the names of the functions used to transform the data. R's recycling rules apply, so a single function can be given to be used on all parameters.
<code>transformationId</code>	The identifier for the object.

## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("transformList", ...)`, by calling the `transform` method with key-value pair arguments of the form `key equals character` and `value equals function`, or by using the constructor `transformList`. See below for details

## Slots

`transforms`: Object of class "list", where each list item is of class `transformMap`.  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character", the identifier for the object.

## Methods

**colnames** signature(`x = "transformList"`): This returns the names of the parameters that are to be transformed.

**c** signature(`x = "transformList"`): Concatenate `transformLists` or regular lists and `transformLists`.

**%on%** signature(`e1 = "transformList"`, `e2 = "flowFrame"`): Perform a transformation using the `transformList` on a `flowFrame` or `flowSet`.

## Author(s)

B. Ellis, F. Hahne



**See Also**

[transform](#), [transformMap](#)

**Examples**

```
tl <- transformList(c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), list(log, asinh))
colnames(tl)
c(tl, transformList("FL1-H", "linearTransform"))
data(GvHD)
transform(GvHD[[1]], tl)
```

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`transformMap-class` *A class for mapping transforms between parameters*

---

**Description**

This class provides a mapping between parameters and transformed parameters via a function.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects of this type are not usually created by the user, except perhaps in special circumstances. They are generally automatically created by the inline `transform` process during the creation of a `transformFilter`, or by a call to the `transformList` constructor.

**Slots**

**output:** Name of the transformed parameter  
**input:** Name of the parameter to transform  
**f:** Function used to accomplish the transform

**Methods**

**show** `signature(object = "transformList")`: Print details about the object.

**Author(s)**

B. Ellis, F. Hahne

**See Also**

[transform](#), [transformList](#)

**Examples**

```
new("transformMap", input="FSC-H", output="FSC-H", f=log)
```

---

```
transformReference-class  
    Class "transformReference"
```

---

**Description**

Class allowing to reference transforms, for instance as parameters.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects will be created internally whenever necessary and this should not be of any concern to the user.

**Slots**

**.Data:** The list of references  
**searchEnv:** The environment into which the reference points.  
**transformationId:** The name of the transformation

**Extends**

Class "[transform](#)", directly. Class "[transformation](#)", by class "transform", distance 2.  
Class "[characterOrTransformation](#)", by class "transform", distance 3.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "transformReference" in the signature.

**Author(s)**

N. Gopalakrishnan

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```
transformView-class  
    Class "transformView"
```

---

**Description**

Class and method to capture the result of transformation operations in a flow cytometry workflow.

**Usage**

```
transformView(workflow, ID=paste("transViewRef", guid(), sep="_"),  
              name="default", action, data)
```

**Arguments**

<code>workflow</code>	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
<code>ID</code>	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>data, action</code>	References to the data and <code>actionItem</code> objects, respectively.

**Value**

A reference to the `transformView` that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the `add` method.

A `transformView` object for the constructor.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the `add` method, which creates a `transformView` from a `transform` object and directly assigns it to a `workFlow`. Alternatively, one can use the `transformView` constructor function for more programmatic access.

**Slots**

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the `actionItem` that generated the view.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**data:** Object of class "fcDataReference" A reference to the data that is associated to the view.

**Extends**

Class "`view`", directly.

**Methods**

**Rm** `signature(symbol = "transformView", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character")`: Remove a `transformView` from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `view`, `gateView`, `compensateView`, `actionItem`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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```
truncateTransform Create the definition of a truncate transformation function to be applied on a data set
```

---

### Description

Create the definition of the truncate Transformation that will be applied on some parameter via the `transform` method. The definition of this function is currently  $x[x < a] \leftarrow a$ . Hence, all values less than  $a$  are replaced by  $a$ . The typical use would be to replace all values less than 1 by 1.

### Usage

```
truncateTransform(transformationId="defaultTruncateTransform", a=1)
```

### Arguments

```
transformationId
    character string to identify the transformation
a
    double that corresponds to the value at which to truncate
```

### Value

Returns an object of class `transform`.

### Author(s)

P. Haaland

### See Also

[transform-class](#), [transform](#)

### Examples

```
samp <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata",
  "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore"))
truncateTrans <- truncateTransform(transformationId="Truncate-transformation", a=5)
dataTransform <- transform(samp, `FSC-H`=truncateTrans(`FSC-H`))
```

---

```
unitytransform-class
    Class "unitytransform"
```

---

### Description

Unity transform class transforms parameters names provided as characters into unity transform objects which can be evaluated to retrieve the corresponding columns from the data frame

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls to the constructor `unitytransform(parameters, transformationId)`.

**Slots**

`.Data`: Object of class "function" ~  
`parameters`: Object of class "character" -flow parameters to be transformed  
`transformationId`: Object of class "character"-unique ID to reference the transformation

**Extends**

Class "`transform`", directly. Class "`transformation`", by class "transform", distance 2.  
 Class "`characterOrTransformation`", by class "transform", distance 3.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "unitytransform" in the signature.

**Author(s)**

Gopalakrishnan N, F.Hahne

**See Also**

`dg1polynomial`, `ratio`

**Examples**

```
dat <- read.FCS(system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08",
package="flowCore"))
un1<-unitytransform(c("FSC-H", "SSC-H"), transformationId="un1")
transOut<-eval(un1)(exprs(dat))
```

---

 view-class

*Class "view"*


---

**Description**

Class and method to capture the results of standard operations (called "views" here) in a flow cytometry workflow.

**Usage**

```
view(workflow, ID=paste("viewRef", guid(), sep="_"),
      name="default", data, action)

parent(object)

Data(object)
```

```
action(object)
alias(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

workflow	An object of class <code>workFlow</code> for which a view is to be created.
object	An object of class <code>view</code> or one of its subclasses.
ID	A unique identifier of the view, most likely created by using the internal <code>guid</code> function.
name	A more human-readable name of the view.
data, action	References to the data and <code>actionItem</code> objects, respectively.
...	Further arguments that get passed to the generic.

### Details

Views provide a means to bind the results of standard operations on flow cytometry data in a workflow. Each view can be considered the outcome of one operation. There are more specific subclasses for the three possible types of operation: `gateView` for gating operations, `transformView` for transformations, and `compensateView` for compensation operations. See their documentation for details.

### Value

A reference to the view that is created inside the `workFlow` environment as a side effect of calling the constructor.

The parent view (i.e., the view based on which the current view was created) for the parent method.

### Objects from the Class

Objects should be created using the constructor `view`, which also assigns the view to a `workFlow` object.

### Slots

**ID:** Object of class "character". A unique identifier for the view.

**name:** Object of class "character". A more human-readable name

**action:** Object of class "fcActionReference". A reference to the `actionItem` that generated the view.

**env:** Object of class "environment". The evaluation environment in the `workFlow`.

**alias:** Object of class "fcAliasReference". A reference to the alias table.

**data:** Object of class "fcDataReference". A reference to the data that is associated to the view. See `gateView` for details on copying and subsetting of the raw data in the context of gating.

**Methods**

**action** signature(object = "view"): Accessor for the action slot. Note that this returns the actual `actionItem` object, i.e., the reference gets resolved.

**Data** signature(object = "view"): Accessor for the data slot. Note that this returns the actual data object, i.e., the reference gets resolved.

**names** signature(x = "view"): Accessor to the name slot.

**alias** signature(object = "view"): Get the alias table from a view.

**parent** signature(object = "view"): The parent view, i.e., the view based on which the current view was created.

**print** signature(x = "view"): Print details about the object.

**Rm** signature(symbol = "view", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove a view from a `workFlow`. This method is recursive and will also remove all dependent views and `actionItems`.

**show** signature(object = "view"): Print details about the object.

**xyplot** signature(x = "formula", data = "view"): Plot the data underlying the view.

**xyplot** signature(x = "view", data = "missing"): Plot the data underlying the view.

**Author(s)**

Florian Hahne

**See Also**

`workFlow`, `gateView`, `transformView`, `compensateView`, `actionItem`

**Examples**

```
showClass("view")
```

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workFlow-class	<i>Class "workFlow"</i>
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**Description**

Class and methods to organize standard flow cytometry data analysis operation in a concise workflow.

**Usage**

```
workFlow(data, name = "default", env = new.env(parent = emptyenv()))
```

```
undo(wf, n=1)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	An object of class <code>flowFrame</code> or <code>flowSet</code> for which a basic <code>view</code> is created.
<code>name</code>	A more human-readable name of the view.
<code>env</code>	Object of class <code>environment</code> . The evaluation environment used for the <code>workFlow</code> .
<code>wf</code>	Object of class <code>workFlow</code> .
<code>n</code>	The number of operations to undo.

**Details**

`workFlow` objects organize standard flow data analysis operations like gating, compensation and transformation in one single object. The user can interact with a `workFlow` object (e.g. adding operations, removing them, summarizing the results) without having to keep track of intermediate objects and names.

The integral part of a `workFlow` is an evaluation environment which holds all objects that are created during the analysis. The structure of the whole workflow is a tree, where nodes represent `link{view}s` (or results of an operation) and edges represent `actionItems` (or the operations themselves).

**Value**

A `workFlow` object for the constructor

Both `applyParentFilter` and `undo` are called for their side-effects.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects should be created using the constructor `workFlow`, which takes a `flowFrame` or `flowSet` as only mandatory input and creates a basic view for that.

**Slots**

`name`: Object of class `"character"`. The name of the `workFlow` object.

`tree`: Object of class `"fcTreeReference"`. A reference to the `graphNEL` objects representing the view structure of the workflow.

`alias`: Object of class `"fcAliasReference"`. A reference to the alias table.

`journal`: Object of class `"fcJournalReference"`. A reference to the journal.

`env`: Object of class `"environment"`. The evaluation environment for the workflow in which all objects will be stored.

**Methods**

**add** `signature(wf = "workFlow", action = "concreteFilter")`: Create a new `gateActionItem` and `gateView` from a `filter` and assign those to the workflow.

**add** `signature(wf = "workFlow", action = "filterList")`: Create a new `gateActionItem` and `gateView` from a `filterList` and assign those to the workflow.

**add** `signature(wf = "workFlow", action = "transformList")`: Create a new `transformActionItem` and `transformView` from a `transform` and assign those to the workflow.

**add** `signature(wf = "workFlow", action = "compensation")`: Create a new `compensateActionItem` and `compensateView` from a `compensation` and assign those to the workflow.



**assign** signature(x = "ANY", value = "ANY", pos = "missing", envir = "workFlow", inherits = "missing", immediate = "missing"): Assign an object to the environment in the workFlow object and return a [fcReference](#) to it. The symbol for the object is created as a unique identifier.

**assign** signature(x = "missing", value = "ANY", pos = "workFlow", envir = "missing", inherits = "missing", immediate = "missing"): see above

**assign** signature(x = "missing", value = "ANY", pos = "missing", envir = "workFlow", inherits = "missing", immediate = "missing"): same as above, but provide custom symbol for the assignment.

**assign** signature(x = "character", value = "ANY", pos = "workFlow", envir = "missing", inherits = "missing", immediate = "missing"): see above

**assign** signature(x = "fcReference", value = "ANY", pos = "workFlow", envir = "missing", inherits = "missing", immediate = "missing"): same as above, but assign object using an existing [fcReference](#). Note that assigning NULL essentially removes the original object.

[ signature(x = "workFlow", i = "ANY"): Cast a useful error message.

[[ signature(x = "workFlow", i = "ANY"): Treat the workFlow object as a regular environment. Essentially, this is equivalent to get(x, i).

\\$ signature(x = "workFlow", name = "character"): Allow for list-like access. Note that completion is only available for [views](#) since all other objects in the environment are considered to be internal.

**get** signature(x = "character", pos = "workFlow", envir = "missing", mode = "missing", inherits = "missing"): Get an object identified by symbol x from the environment in the workFlow.

**get** signature(x = "character", pos = "missing", envir = "workFlow", mode = "missing", inherits = "missing"): see above

**ls** signature(name = "workFlow", pos = "missing", envir = "missing", all.names = "missing", pattern = "missing"): List the content of the environment in the workFlow.

**ls** signature(name = "workFlow", pos = "missing", envir = "missing", all.names = "missing", pattern = "character"): see above

**mget** signature(x = "character", envir = "workFlow", mode = "missing", ifnotfound = "missing", inherits = "missing"): Get multiple objects identified by the symbols in x from the environment in the workFlow.

**names** signature(x = "workFlow"): List the identifiers for all [views](#) and [actionItems](#) in the workFlow.

**plot** signature(x = "workFlow", y = "missing"): Plot the structure of the workFlow tree.

**Rm** signature(symbol = "character", envir = "workFlow", subSymbol = "character"): Remove the object identified by the symbol symbol from the workFlow.

**undo** signature(wf = "workFlow", n = "numeric"): Undo the last n operations on the workFlow.

**show** signature(object = "workFlow"): Print details about the object.

**summary** signature(object = "workFlow"): Summarize a view in the workFlow.

**nodes** signature(object = "workFlow"): Return a named vector of node ids where the names are the human readable names stored in the alias table.

**actions** signature(x = "workFlow"): List the names of the `actionItems` in the `workFlow`.

**views** signature(x = "workFlow"): List the names of only the `views` in the `workFlow`.

**alias** signature(object = "workFlow"): Return the alias table for the `workFlow`.

**alias** signature(object = "environment"): Return the alias table from a generic environment. The method tries to find 'fcAliasRef' among the object symbols in the environment.

**journal** signature(object = "workFlow"): Return the journal for the `workFlow`.

**journal** signature(object = "environment"): Return the journal from a generic environment. The method tries to find 'fcJournalRef' among the object symbols in the environment.

**tree** signature(object = "workFlow"): Return the tree of the `workFlow`.

**journal** signature(object = "environment"): Return the tree from a generic environment. The method tries to find 'fcTreeRef' among the object symbols in the environment.

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### See Also

"view", "actionItem"

### Examples

```
showClass("view")
```

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write.FCS

*Write an FCS file*

---

### Description

Write FCS file from a `flowFrame`

### Usage

```
write.FCS(x, filename, what="numeric")
```

### Arguments

x	A <code>flowFrame</code> .
filename	A character scalar giving the output file name. By default, the function will use the output of <code>identifier(x)</code> as the file name, potentially adding the <code>.fcs</code> suffix unless a file extension is already present.
what	A character scalar defining the output data type. One in <code>integer</code> , <code>numeric</code> , <code>double</code> . Note that forcing the data type to <code>integer</code> may result in considerable loss of precision if the data has been transformed. We recommend using the default data type unless disc space is an issue.

**Details**

The function `write.FCS` creates FCS 3.0 standard file from an object of class `flowFrame`.

For specifications of FCS 3.0 see <http://www.isac-net.org> and the file `../doc/fcs3.html` in the `doc` directory of the package.

**Value**

A character of the file name.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

`link[flowCore]{write.flowSet}`

**Examples**

```
## a sample file
inFile <- system.file("extdata", "0877408774.B08", package="flowCore")
foo <- read.FCS(inFile, transform=FALSE)
outFile <- file.path(tempdir(), "foo.fcs")

## now write out into a file
write.FCS(foo, outFile)
bar <- read.FCS(outFile, transform=FALSE)
all(exprs(foo) == exprs(bar))
```

---

write.flowSet

*Write an FCS file*

---

**Description**

Write FCS file for each `flowFrame` in a `flowSet`

**Usage**

```
write.flowSet(x, outdir=identifier(x), filename, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A <code>flowSet</code> .
<code>filename</code>	A character scalar or vector giving the output file names. By default, the function will use the identifiers of the individual <code>flowFrames</code> as the file name, potentially adding the <code>.fcs</code> suffix unless a file extension is already present. Alternatively, one can supply either a character scalar, in which case the prefix <code>i_</code> is appended ( <code>i</code> being an integer in <code>seq_len(length(x))</code> ), or a character vector of the same length as the <code>flowSet</code> <code>x</code> .
<code>outdir</code>	A character scalar giving the output directory. As the default, the output of <code>identifier(x)</code> is used.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments that are passed on to <code>write.FCS</code> .

## Details

The function `write.flowSet` creates FCS 3.0 standard file for all `flowFrames` in an object of class `flowSet`. In addition, it will write the content of the `phenoData` slot in the ASCII file `"annotation.txt"`. This file can subsequently be used to reconstruct the whole `flowSet` using the `read.flowSet` function, e.g.:

```
read.flowSet(path=outdir, phenoData="annotation.txt")
```

The function uses `write.FCS` for the actual writing of the FCS files.

## Value

A character of the output directory.

## Author(s)

F. Hahne

## See Also

```
link[flowCore]{write.FCS}
```

## Examples

```
## sample data
data(GvHD)
foo <- GvHD[1:5]
outdir <- file.path(tempdir(), "foo")

## now write out into files
write.flowSet(foo, outdir)
dir(outdir)

## and read back in
bar <- read.flowSet(path=outdir, phenoData="annotation.txt")
```

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