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RRNA-package	<i>RNA secondary structure plotting</i>
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## Description

Set of functions for creating and manipulating RNA secondary structure plots from CT files or bracket notations.

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## Examples

```
### Create a CT file from bracket notation
ct=makeCt("(((...(((...)))...(((...)))...)))", "AAAUUUCCCAAAGGGUUUAAAGGGUUUCCCUUU")
coord=ct2coord(ct)
RNAPlot(coord,hl=c("GGGUUU", "AAAUUU"),seqcols=c(2,4),labTF=TRUE)
```

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alignCoord                      *Alignment of secondary structure folds to 2 nucleotides.*

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### Description

Given a coordinate file with multiple RNA secondary structures, it aligns all folds such that n1 is at position (x,y) and n2 has its y coordinate equal to y

### Usage

```
alignCoord(data, n1, n2, x, y)
```

### Arguments

data	R data frame containing the coordinates for plotting a given secondary structure
n1	Nucleotide position that will be translated to (x,y)
n2	Nucleotide position that will have its y coordinate equal to y
x	x coordinate that n1 will be translated to
y	y coordinate that n1 will be translated to

### Value

Returns a data frame containing fold coordinates.

### Author(s)

JP Bida

### See Also

[RNAPlot](#)

### Examples

```
### Create two RNA secondary structures ####
ct1=makeCt(
  "(((...((((((...))))))...(((...)))...)))",
  "CCCCAAAGGGGGGAUUACCCUCCUUUAAAAGGGUUUUCSCCCC"
)
ct2=makeCt(
  "(((...((((((...))))))...(((...)))...)))",
  "CCCCAAAGGGGGGAUUACCCUCCUUUAAAAGGGUUUUCSCCCC"
)

### Create a coordinate file ####
dat1=ct2coord(ct1)

### Each RNA fold needs its own id ###
```

```

dat1$id=1

#### Create a coordinate file ####
dat2=ct2coord(ct2)
### Each RNA fold needs its own id ###
dat2$id=2

dat=rbind(dat1,dat2)

adat=alignCoord(dat,1,46,0,0)

### Plot the aligned RNA folds ####
RNAPlot(adat[adat$id==1,])
l=length(adat$seq[adat$id==2])
RNAPlot(adat[adat$id==2,],modspec=TRUE,modp=c(1:1),modcol=rep(4,1),mod=rep(16,1),add=TRUE)

```

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aptPlotCT

*RNA secondary structure plotting from CT files*


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### Description

Generates and RNA secondary structure plot from a CT file. Removes pseudoKnots automatically and allows them to be drawn back in with pseudoTF=TRUE.

### Usage

```

aptPlotCT(file, ranges = 0, add = FALSE, hl = NULL, seqcols = NULL,
          seqTF = FALSE, labTF = FALSE, nt = FALSE, dp = 0.5,
          modspec = FALSE, modp = NULL, mod = NULL, modcol = NULL,
          tsize = 0.5, main = "", pseudoTF = FALSE, pseudo_nums = NULL,
          ticks = NULL, ticksTF = FALSE
        )

```

### Arguments

file	CT file name
ranges	A data frame containing the ranges of sequence positions that should be highlighted with given colors. ranges=data.frame(min=c(69,1,7),max=c(74,5,17),col=c(2,3,4),des="1","Region 2","Region 3")) The above will highlight the nucleotides at positions 69-74, 1-5, and 7-17 respectively
add	Should the new plot be added to an existing plot TRUE/FALSE
hl	Takes an array of sequences and highlights them with seqcol hl=c("GGGAAAA", "GGGCCCC") The above hl will highlight the nucleotides in the secondary structure that have the given sequences with the colors provided in the seqcols option.
seqcols	Colors that should be used to highlight the sequences given in hl
seqTF	If sequence is a vector set as TRUE

labTF	TRUE/FALSE plot the legend
nt	TRUE/FALSE plot the nucleotide sequence on the secondary structure
dp	Floating point value to determine how far from the coordinates the nucleotide sequence should be plotted. Values between 0 and 5 usually work best.
modspec	TRUE/FALSE modify specific positions in the secondary structure. Used in combination with modp,mod,and modcol. This allows you to change the shape and color of nucleotide in the secondary structure.
modp	Array defining the specific positions to be modified in the plot modp=c(1:10)
mod	Array defining the pch values to be plotted at the positions given by modp. mod=c(rep(15,5),rep(16,5))
modcol	Array of color values to be used for plotting at the positions defined by modp in the secondary structure. modcol=rep(4,10)
tsize	Text size used for plotting the nucleotide sequence in the secondary structure. Only applicable when nt=TRUE. Values between 0.1 and 4 work well.
main	Title used for the plot when labTF is set to TRUE.
pseudoTF	Plot pseudo knot sequences
pseudo_nums	indices of the nucleotides included in pseudoknots
ticksTF	TRUE/FALSE include ticks
ticks	Positions where the ticks should be drawn. These are sequence positions in the RNA molecule

**Value**

Returns and R plot object

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[RNAPlot](#)

**Examples**

```
### PseudoKnots ###
pk= makeCt("(((...((((((((.....))))))...(((.....))))...)))",
           "AAAAAAACCCCCCAAGGGGGGAUUACCCUCCUUUAAAAGGUUUUCCCCC"
           )
pk$bound[pk$pos==20]=42
pk$bound[pk$pos==19]=43
pk$bound[pk$pos==43]=19
pk$bound[pk$pos==42]=20
f = tempfile()
### Create a CT file for testing ###
write.table(pk[,c(1,4,2,3,6,5)],file=f,row.names=FALSE,col.names=TRUE)
```

```
aptPlotCT(f,ticksTF=TRUE,ticks=seq(1,60,by=5),pseudoTF=TRUE,pseudo_nums=c(19,20,43,42))
```

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backward	<i>Internal function for moving through secondary structures</i>
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### Description

Given a bracket notation for RNA secondary structure and an index of a ")" bracket type the backward function will find the "(" bracket that closes the ")" at the given index.

### Usage

```
backward(stc, i)
```

### Arguments

stc	Array of brackets and dots. <code>a=unlist(strsplit("(((...)))...((..))", ""))</code>
i	index giving the position of a bracket

### Value

returns the index of the bracket that closes the bracket at the given index

### Author(s)

JP Bida

### Examples

```
a=unlist(strsplit("(((...)))...((..))", ""))
ind=backward(a,7)
```

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bplfile	<i>Creates a bpl file from a coordinate file</i>
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### Description

A bpl file can be created from a given coordinate file for inputting into other RNA visualization programs

### Usage

```
bplfile(dat, name)
```

**Arguments**

dat                    Coordinate file created by ct2coord or loadCoords functions `ct=makeCt("(((...)))", "AAAACCCUUU")`  
                               ### Create the coordinate file ### `dat=ct2coord(ct)`

name                    Name of the file outputed

**Value**

Creates the file with the given "name"

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
ct=makeCt("(((...)))", "AAAACCCUUU")
### Create the coordinate file ###
dat=ct2coord(ct)

bplfile(dat, tempfile())
```

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circleCoord

*Internal function for finding the coordinates of NT's in a circle*

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**Description**

Given an integer N the function returns N (x,y) coordinates for a polygon with N sides each of length 1. This is used to plot the loops in an RNA structure

**Usage**

```
circleCoord(n)
```

**Arguments**

n                        Integer determining the number of sides

**Value**

Data frame with columns x,y defining coordinates of the polygons

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
pts=circleCoord(10)
plot(pts$x,pts$y)
```

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ct2coord	<i>Generate coordinate file</i>
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**Description**

Creates a coordinate file from a CT file that has been loaded into a data frame

**Usage**

```
ct2coord(input)
```

**Arguments**

input            Data frame representing a ct file. Created from makeCt or loadCt

**Value**

Returns a coordinate file for the secondary structure represented in the CT file

**Note**

Pseudoknots sometimes cause trouble

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[RNAPlot](#)

**Examples**

```
ct=makeCt("(((...((((((...))))))...(((...)))...)))",
          "CCCCAAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUCCUUAAAAGGGUUUCCCCCC"
        )
coord=ct2coord(ct)
RNAPlot(coord)
```

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ct2knet	<i>creates a knet file from a CT file</i>
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## Description

Knet files are used as inputs for KnetFold secondary structure prediction program

## Usage

```
ct2knet(file, ind = 0)
```

## Arguments

file	Name of the CT file being converted to KnetFold file
ind	Index used to relabel sequence indexes

## Value

Returns a string containing the contents of the knet file

## Author(s)

JP Bida

## Examples

```
pk=makeCt("((((...(((((((.....))))))...((((.....))))...)))",
          "AAAAAAACCCCCCAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUCCUUUAAAAGGGUUUCCCCC"
          )
pk$bound[pk$pos==20]=42
pk$bound[pk$pos==19]=43
pk$bound[pk$pos==43]=19
pk$bound[pk$pos==42]=20

f = tempfile()
### Create a CT file for testing ###
write.table(pk[,c(1,4,2,3,6,5)],file=f,row.names=FALSE,col.names=TRUE)

### Convert CT file to Knet ###
out=ct2knet(f,0)
```

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forward	<i>Internal function for moving through secondary structures</i>
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**Description**

Given a bracket notation for RNA secondary structure and an index of a "(" bracket type the forward function will find the ")" bracket that closes the "(" at the given index.

**Usage**

```
forward(stc, i)
```

**Arguments**

stc	a=unlist(strsplit("(((...)))...((..))", ""))
i	Integer index

**Value**

Integer index

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[backward](#)

**Examples**

```
a=unlist(strsplit("(((...)))...((..))", ""))
ind=forward(a,1)
```

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genCords	<i>Internal function that generates coordinates for a given loop starting and stopping at p1 and p2 respectfully</i>
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**Description**

Generates coordinates for a loop in a secondary structure. Internal function used by RNAPlot.

**Usage**

```
genCords(loop, p1, p2, input, vn)
```

**Arguments**

loop	List containing a data frame that has the subset of nucleotides in a given loop
p1	The position of the first nucleotide in the loop
p2	The position of the second nucleotide in the loop
input	The data frame containing the coordinate file for the entire RNA secondary structure
vn	A flag that flips over y axis if vn = 1.

**Value**

Returns a set of points

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
### This is an internal function ###
```

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loadCoords	<i>Loads a coordinate file into a data frame</i>
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**Description**

Coordinate files can be created from the viennaRNA library.

**Usage**

```
loadCoords(filename)
```

**Arguments**

filename	Name of the coordinate file being loaded
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**Value**

Data frame containing the coordinate file

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**References**

The RRNAFold program generates the coordinate files used by RRNA  
<https://github.com/jpbida/ViennaScripts>

**Examples**

```

### Create a test coordinate file using ct2coord ###
ct=makeCt("((((...(((((((.....))))))...((((.....))))...)))",
          "AAAAAAACCCCCCAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUUUUUAAAAGGGUUUCCCCCCC"
          )
coord=ct2coord(ct)
### add an id ###
coord$id=1
f = tempfile()
### write out test file ###
write.table( coord[,c('id','x','y','seq','num','bound')],
             col.names=FALSE,row.names=FALSE,sep=",",file=f
             )

### Read in the coordinate file ##
input=loadCoords(f)

### Plot the file using RNAPlot ##
RNAPlot(input)

```

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loadCt

*Loads a CT file into an R data frame*


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**Description**

A variety of RNA secondary structure prediction programs produce CT files. You can load these CT files into R using the loadCT function.

**Usage**

```
loadCt(file)
```

**Arguments**

file            The name of the CT file being loaded

**Value**

Returns at data frame containing the CT file data

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[RNAPlot aptPlotCT](#)

**Examples**

```

### Create a CT file with PseudoKnots ###
pk=makeCt("(((...((((((((.....))))))...((((.....))))...)))",
          "AAAAAAACCCCCCAAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUCCUUUAAAAGGGUUUCCCCCCC"
        )
pk$bound[pk$pos==20]=42
pk$bound[pk$pos==19]=43
pk$bound[pk$pos==43]=19
pk$bound[pk$pos==42]=20

### Create a CT file for testing ###

f = tempfile()
write.table(pk[,c(1,4,2,3,6,5)],file=f,
            row.names=FALSE,col.names=TRUE)

ctfile=loadCt(f)

### Before using ct2coord you need to remove the pseudo knots ###

l=pseudoKnot(ctfile)
dat=l[[2]]
cd=ct2coord(dat)
RNAPlot(cd)

```

---

loopLength

*internal function that determines the length of a loop*


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**Description**

Used by RNAPlot to get the length of a loop

**Usage**

```
loopLength(input, start)
```

**Arguments**

input	CT file makeCt("(((...))))", "AAAACCCUUUU")
start	Position of the first nucleotide in the the loop

**Value**

Retuns a list contianing the output and stems

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
ct=makeCt("(((...(((...)))..(((...)))..)))", "AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA")
out=length(ct,4)
```

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makeCt	<i>make a CT file from a structure and sequence</i>
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**Description**

Given an RNA secondary structure in bracket notation containing no pseudoKnots this function creates an R data frame that represents the secondary structures CT file.

**Usage**

```
makeCt(struct, seq)
```

**Arguments**

struct	Bracket notation. st="((((...)))..((...))"
seq	String containing the RNA sequence seq="AUAAUUAAAAAAAAACCCCAAA"

**Value**

Returns a data frame representing the bracket notation secondary structure in a CT file like format.

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
st="((((...)))..((...))"
seq="AUAAUUAAAAAAAAACCCCAAA"

ct=makeCt(st,seq)
```

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pseudoKnot                      *removes pseudoknots from a ct file*

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### Description

internal function used to remove pseudoKnots before calling ct2coord

### Usage

```
pseudoKnot(ctDat)
```

### Arguments

ctDat                      R data frame representing a CT file for RNA secondary structure

### Value

Returns a list with the first item being a list of pseudoKnots and the second item being a CT file data frame with all pseudoKnots removed from the structure

### Author(s)

JP Bida

### See Also

[RNAPlot](#), [aptPlotCT](#), [ct2coord](#),

### Examples

```
pk=makeCt("(((...((((((((.....))))))...(((.....))))...)))",
"AAAAAAACCCCCCAAGGGGGGAUUACCCUCCUUUAAAAGGUUUUCCCCC")
pk$bound[pk$pos==20]=42
pk$bound[pk$pos==19]=43
pk$bound[pk$pos==43]=19
pk$bound[pk$pos==42]=20

l=pseudoKnot(pk)

## Positions of removed pseudo knots ##
removed=l[[1]]

### clean ct file that can be used by ct2coord ###
ct=l[[2]]
```

RNAPlot

*Generic RNA Secondary Structure Plotting Function***Description**

Given fold data from loadFolds or ct2coords RNAPlot plots the secondary structure

**Usage**

```
RNAPlot(data, ranges = 0, add = FALSE, hl = NULL, seqcols = NULL,
        seqTF = FALSE, labTF = FALSE, nt = FALSE, dp = 0.5,
        modspec = FALSE, modp = NULL, mod = NULL, modcol = NULL,
        tsize = 0.5, main = "", pointSize = 2, lineWd = 2)
```

**Arguments**

data	R data frame containing the coordinates for plotting a given secondary structure ### Example input file format: ### ### 0,158.534088,199.550888,G,0,-1 ### 0,152.741776,194.100571,A,1,-1 ### 0,149.307266,186.849899,A,2,-1 ### 0,148.749847,178.776566,G,3,-1 ### 0,151.196960,170.989944,C,4,59 ### 0,141.412643,159.620361,U,5,58 ### 0,131.628342,148.250793,U,6,57 ### 0,121.844025,136.881210,A,7,56 ### 0,112.059715,125.511642,C,8,55 ### 0,102.275398,114.142059,A,9,54 ### 0,89.142853,109.343330,A,10,-1 ### ... ### There is no header on the input file. The columns are ### ID,X,Y,SEQ,POS,BOUND ### ID - A unique ID for a given fold in the file ### X - X position of the NT in the secondary structure plot ### Y - Y position of the NT in the secondary structure plot ### SEQ - The nucleotide (A,G,U,C) ### POS - The position of the NT in the sequence ### BOUND - The position of the NT that the NT at POS is bound to
ranges	A data frame containing the ranges of sequence positions that should be high- lighted with given colors. ranges=data.frame(min=c(69,1,7),max=c(74,5,17),col=c(2,3,4),des 1", "Region 2", "Region 3")) The above will highlight the nucleotides at po- sitions 69-74, 1-5, and 7-17 respectively
add	Should the new plot be added to an existing plot TRUE/FALSE
hl	Takes an array of sequences and highlights them with seqcol hl=c("GGGAAAA", "GGGCCCC") The above hl will highlight the nucleotides in the secondary structure that have the given sequences with the colors provided in the seqcols option.
seqcols	Colors that should be used to highlight the sequences given in hl
seqTF	If sequence is a vector set as TRUE
labTF	TRUE/FALSE plot the legend
nt	TRUE/FALSE plot the nucleotide sequence on the secondary structure
dp	Floating point value to determine how far from the coordinates the nucleotide sequence should be plotted. Values between 0 and 5 usually work best.

modspec	TRUE/FALSE modify specific positions in the secondary structure. Used in combination with modp,mod,and modcol. This allows you to change the shape and color of nucleotide in the secondary structure.
modp	Array defining the specific positions to be modified in the plot <code>modp=c(1:10)</code>
mod	Array defining the pch values to be plotted at the positions given by modp. <code>mod=c(rep(15,5),rep(16,5))</code>
modcol	Array of color values to be used for plotting at the positions defined by modp in the secondary structure. <code>modcol=rep(4,10)</code>
tsize	Text size used for plotting the nucleotide sequence in the secondary structure. Only applicable when nt=TRUE. Values between 0.1 and 4 work well.
main	Title used for the plot when labTF is set to TRUE.
pointSize	The size of points plotted in the secondary structure. Values between 0.1-5 work well.
lineWd	Line width for base pairings and backbone of secondary structures.

**Value**

Returns a generic R plot that can be used with the jpeg, postscript, etc. functions.

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[makeCt,loadCoords,ct2coord](#)

**Examples**

```
## Create a CT file from bracket notation and sequence ###
ct=makeCt( "((((...(((((((...))))))...(((...)))...)))",
          "CCCCAAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUCCUUAAAAGGGUUUUCSCCCCC"
)

## Create a coordinate file based on the CT file ###
dat=ct2coord(ct)

### Create a plot of the secondary structure ###
RNAPlot(dat)

### Plot positions 1:4 as green and 43:46 circles ##
### and show the legend
ranges=data.frame(min=c(1,43),max=c(4,46),col=c(2,3),
                  desc=c("Region 1","Region 2"))
)
RNAPlot(dat,ranges,labTF=TRUE)

### Highlight the sequences CUCCU and CCCCAA ###
```

```

RNAPlot(dat,h1=c("CUCCU","CCCCAAA"),seqcol=c(2,4),labTF=TRUE,main="RNA Molecule")

### Modify specific positions ####

RNAPlot( dat, modspec=TRUE, modp=c(1:4,43:46),mod=c(17,17,15,15,16,16,16,16),
        modcol=c(rep(2,2),rep(3,2),rep(4,4))
        )

### RNA Plot with nucleotides ###
RNAPlot(dat,nt=TRUE)

### RNA plot with nucleotides
RNAPlot( dat,nt=TRUE,modspec=TRUE,modp=c(1:4,43:46),
        mod=c(17,17,15,15,16,16,16,16),
        modcol=c(rep(2,2),rep(3,2),rep(4,4))
        )

### RNA Plot wiht nucleotides and dots ###

RNAPlot(dat)
RNAPlot(dat,nt=TRUE,add=TRUE,dp=0.75)

```

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rotateS

*Internal function to rotate a single point*


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## Description

Rotates a point a given angle around a given center point.

## Usage

```
rotateS(x2, y2, x0, y0, ang)
```

## Arguments

x2	x coordinate of the position being rotated
y2	y coordinate of the position being rotated
x0	x coordinate of the center of rotation
y0	y coordinate of the center of rotation
ang	rotation angle in radians

## Value

Returns a rotated point

## Author(s)

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
### Rotate a point 90 degrees ###  
rotateS(0,1,0,0,pi/2)
```

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rotateV                      *internal function to rotate a vector of points*

---

**Description**

Rotates a set of points around a center point a given number of radians

**Usage**

```
rotateV(x2, y2, x0, y0, ang)
```

**Arguments**

x2	Vector containing x coordinates being rotated
y2	Vector containing y coordinates being rotated
x0	x coordinate of center of rotation
y0	y coordinate of center of rotation
ang	Angle of rotation given in radians

**Value**

set of rotated points

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[rotates](#)

**Examples**

```
x=c(1,0,-1,0)  
y=c(0,1,0,-1)  
pts=rotateV(x,y,0,0,pi/4)
```

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stemCords                      *internal function that generates coordinates for a stem*

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**Description**

internal function that generates coordinates for an RNA secondary structure stem

**Usage**

```
stemCords(input, p1, p2, x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3)
```

**Arguments**

input	ct file as data frame
p1	index of nucleotide in first base pair of the stem
p2	index of nucleotide in first base pair of the stem
x1	x coordinate of p1
y1	y coordinate of p1
x2	x coordinate of p2
y2	y coordinate of p2
x3	direction vector x component
y3	direction vector y component

**Value**

set of points

**Note**

This is an internal function not recommend for use out side of the ct2coord function

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[ct2coord](#)

**Examples**

```
### Internal Function ###
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transformFold	<i>Internal function to translate and rotate a secondary structure plot</i>
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**Description**

Given a coordinate file, a point, and an angle in radians transformFold rotates the fold around the given point the given number of radians.

**Usage**

```
transformFold(dat, x0, y0, ang)
```

**Arguments**

dat	Coordinate file containing multiple RNA folds
x0	x coordinate of center of rotation
y0	y coordinate of center of rotation
ang	angle of rotation in radians

**Value**

dat frame containing the rotated coordinates

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**See Also**

[alignCoord](#)

**Examples**

```
ct=makeCt("((((...(((((((.....))))))....(((.....))))....)))",
          "AAAAAAACCCCCCAAGGGGGGAUUACCCCUUUUUAAAAGGGUUUCCCCCC")

c1=ct2coord(ct)

RNAPlot(c1)

c2=transformFold(c1,0,0,pi/2)
c3=transformFold(c2,0,0,pi/2)
c4=transformFold(c3,0,0,pi/2)

RNAPlot(c2,add=TRUE)
RNAPlot(c3,add=TRUE)
RNAPlot(c4,add=TRUE)
```

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translate	<i>internal function for translating points</i>
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**Description**

internal function to translate points

**Usage**

```
translate(x1, y1, x2, y2)
```

**Arguments**

x1	x coordinates being translated
y1	y coordinates being translated
x2	dx for translation
y2	dy for translation

**Value**

set of points

**Author(s)**

JP Bida

**Examples**

```
## Internal Function ##
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