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degree.collect *Degrees of nodes*

Description

Collect the degrees for all nodes in a network.

Usage

```
degree.collect(net)
```

Arguments

net   The input network.

Details

Obtain the degrees for all nodes.

Value

A vector.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x.deg <- degree.collect(x)
summary(x.deg)
## End(Not run)
```

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degree.dist *Plot of the degree distribution of a network*

Description

Plot the degree distribution of a network.

Usage

```
degree.dist(net, cumulative = TRUE, log = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`net`	The input network.
`cumulative`	A logical index asking whether a cumulative distribution should be returned.
`log`	A logical index asking whether a logarithm-scaled distribution should be returned.

Details

Plot the degree distribution of a network.

Value

A .gif plot.

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)

## Plot the standard degree distribution of x.
degree.dist(x, cumulative = FALSE, log = FALSE)

## Plot the degree distribution of x, with a logarithm scale.
degree.dist(x, cumulative = FALSE, log = TRUE)

## Plot the cumulative degree distribution of x.
degree.dist(x, cumulative = TRUE, log = FALSE)

## Plot the cumulative degree distribution of x, with a logarithm scale.
degree.dist(x, cumulative = TRUE, log = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

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degree.hist   *Histogram of the degree distribution of a network*

Description

Plot the histogram of all degrees of a network.

Usage

```
degree.hist(g, breaks = 100)
```

Arguments

g	The input network.
breaks	A single number giving the number of cells for the histogram.

Details

Plot the histogram of all degrees of a network.

Value

A .gif plot.

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.05)
degree.hist(x)
## End(Not run)
```

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draw.net   *Plot of a small network*

Description

Plot a small network.

Usage

```
draw.net(net)
```

Arguments

net	The input network.

Details

Plot a small network.

Value

A .gif plot.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.ring.lattice(12,4)
draw.net(x)
## End(Not run)
```

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from.adjacency   *Adjacency Matrix to* fastnet

Description

Transform an adjacency matrix to an ego-centric list form used in fastnet.

Usage

```
from.adjacency(adj.mat)
```

Arguments

adj.mat   The input adjacency matrix

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Christian Llano.

Examples

```
adj.mat <- matrix(c(0,1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,1,0), nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
g <- from.adjacency(adj.mat)
```

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from.edgelist   *Edgelist to* fastnet

Description

Transform an edgelist to an ego-centric list form used in fastnet.

Usage

```
from.edgelist(edgelist)
```

Arguments

edgelist   A 2-column data frame, in which the 1st column represents the start nodes, and the 2nd column represents the destination nodes.

Details

Most network data repositories choose to store the data in an edgelist form. This function helps user to load it in `fastnet`.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
edgelist <- data.frame(from=c(1, 3, 2, 3, 3), to=c(4, 5, 6, 5, 7))
g <- from.edgelist(edgelist)
```

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from.igraph   *Transform an* igraph *object to a* fastnet *object*

Description

Transform an `igraph` object to an ego-centric list form used in `fastnet`.

Usage

```
from.igraph(net.igraph)
```

Arguments

net.igraph   The input `igraph` object.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong.

Examples

```
## Not run:
library("igraph")
net.igraph <- erdos.renyi.game(100,0.1)
g <- from.igraph(net.igraph)
## End(Not run)
```

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from.statnet   statnet *to* fastnet

Description

Import a statnet object.

Usage

```
from.statnet(net.statnet, ncores = detectCores())
```

Arguments

net.statnet   The input statnet object.

ncores   The number of cores to be used.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
## Not run:
library("ergm")
library("doParallel")
data("flo")
nflo <- network(flo, loops = TRUE)
fflo <- from.statnet(nflo)
## End(Not run)
```

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get.neighbors   *Neighbors of an agent in a network*

Description

Presents all neighbors of a given node.

Usage

```
get.neighbors(net, NodeID)
```

Arguments

net   The input network.

NodeID   The ID of the input node.

Details

Neighbors of a node are nodes that directly connects to this node.

Value

A vector.

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.ring.lattice(12,4)
get.neighbors(x,2)
## End(Not run)
```

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metric.cluster.global *Global Clustering Coefficient*

Description

Calculate the global clustering coefficient of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.cluster.global(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The global clustering coefficient measures the ratio of (closed) triples versus the total number of all possible triples in network *g*. `metric.cluster.global()` calculates the global clustering coefficient of *g*.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Wasserman, Stanley, and Katherine Faust. Social network analysis: Methods and applications. Vol. 8. Cambridge university press, 1994.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.cluster.global(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.cluster.mean   *Mean Local Clustering Coefficient*

Description

Calculate the average local clustering coefficient of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.cluster.mean(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The local clustering coefficient of a node is the ratio of the triangles connected to the node and the triples centered on the `node.metric.cluster.mean()` calculates the (estimated) average clustering coefficient for all nodes in graph *g* with a justified error.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Wasserman, Stanley, and Katherine Faust. Social network analysis: Methods and applications. Vol. 8. Cambridge university press, 1994.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(n = 1000, ncores = 3, p =  0.06)
metric.cluster.mean(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.cluster.median   *Median Local Clustering Coefficient*

Description

Calculate the median local clustering coefficient of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.cluster.median(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The local clustering coefficient of a node is the ratio of the triangles connected to the node and the triples centered on the `node.metric.cluster.median()` calculates the (estimated) median clustering coefficient for all nodes in graph *g* with a justified error.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Wasserman, Stanley, and Katherine Faust. Social network analysis: Methods and applications. Vol. 8. Cambridge university press, 1994.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.1)
metric.cluster.median(x)
## End(Not run)
```

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metric.degree.effective

Effective Degree

Description

Calculate the effective degree of a network.

Usage

```
metric.degree.effective(g, effective_rate = 0.9)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

effective_rate   The effective rate (0.9 is set by default).

Details

The effective degree

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
metric.degree.effective(x)
## End(Not run)
```

Description

Calculate the degree entropy of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.degree.entropy(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

Calculates the degree entropy of graph g, i.e.

$$Entropy(g) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} i * \log_2(i)$$

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Anand, Kartik, and Ginestra Bianconi. "Entropy measures for networks: Toward an information theory of complex topologies." Physical Review E 80, no. 4 (2009): 045102.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.degree.entropy(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.max *Maximal Degree*

Description

Calculate the maximal degree of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.degree.max(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The maximal degree.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
metric.degree.max(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.max.efficient
                        Efficient Maximal Degree

Description

Calculate the efficient maximal degree of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.degree.max.efficient(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The efficient maximal degree is the 90

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run: x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.degree.max.efficient(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.mean   *Mean Degree*

Description

Calculate the mean degree of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.degree.mean(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The mean degree is the average value of the degrees of all nodes in graph g.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.degree.mean(x)

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.median   *Median Degree*

Description

Calculate the median degree of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.degree.median(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The median degree is the median value of the degrees of all nodes in graph g.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.degree.median(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.min *Minimal Degree*

Description

Calculate the minimal degree of a network.

Usage

```
metric.degree.min(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The minimal degree.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
metric.degree.min(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.degree.sd *Standard Deviation of Degree Distribution*

Description

Calculate the standard deviation of all degrees of a network.

Usage

```
metric.degree.sd(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

The standard deviation of all degrees of a network.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
metric.degree.sd(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.apl   *Average Path Length*

Description

Calculate the average path length of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.distance.apl(
  Network,
  probability = 0.95,
  error = 0.03,
  Cores = detectCores(),
  full.apl = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

Network	The input network.
probability	The confidence level probability.
error	The sampling error.
Cores	Number of cores to use in the computations. By default uses *parallel* function detecCores().
full.apl	It will calculate the sampling version by default. If it is set to true, the population APL will be calculated and the rest of the parameters will be ignored.

Details

The average path length (APL) is the average shortest path lengths of all pairs of nodes in graph *Network*. `metric.distance.apl` calculates the population APL and estimated APL of graph g with a sampling error set by the user.

The calculation uses a parallel load balancing approach, distributing jobs equally among the cores defined by the user.

Value

A real value.

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

E. W. Dijkstra. 1959. A note on two problems in connexion with graphs. Numer. Math. 1, 1 (December 1959), 269-271.

Castro L, Shaikh N. Estimation of Average Path Lengths of Social Networks via Random Node Pair Sampling. Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Miami. 2016.

Examples

```
## Not run:
##Default function
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000,0.01)
metric.distance.apl(x)
##Population APL
metric.distance.apl(x, full.apl=TRUE)
##Sampling at 99% level with an error of 10% using 5 cores
metric.distance.apl(Network = x, probability=0.99, error=0.1, Cores=5)

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.diameter
Diameter

Description

Calculate the diameter of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.distance.diameter(
  Network,
  probability = 0.95,
  error = 0.03,
  Cores = detectCores(),
  full = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

Network	The input network.
probability	The confidence level probability
error	The sampling error
Cores	Number of cores to use in the computations. By default uses *parallel* function `detecCores()`.
full	It will calculate the popular full version by default. If it is set to FALSE, the estimated diameter will be calculated.

Details

The diameter is the largest shortest path lengths of all pairs of nodes in graph *Network*.

`metric.distance.diameter` calculates the (estimated) diameter of graph *Network* with a justified error.

Value

A real value.

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

E. W. Dijkstra. 1959. A note on two problems in connexion with graphs. Numer. Math. 1, 1 (December 1959), 269-271.

Castro L, Shaikh N. Estimation of Average Path Lengths of Social Networks via Random Node Pair Sampling. Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Miami. 2016.

Examples

```
## Not run:
##Default function
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000,0.01)
metric.distance.diameter(x)
##Population APL
metric.distance.diameter(x, full=TRUE)
```

```
##Sampling at 99% level with an error of 10% using 5 cores
metric.distance.diameter(Network = x, probability=0.99, error=0.1, Cores=5)

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.effdia

Effective Diameter

Description

Calculate the effective diameter of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.distance.effdia(
  Network,
  probability = 0.95,
  error = 0.03,
  effective_rate = 0.9,
  Cores = detectCores(),
  full = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

Network	The input network.
probability	The confidence level probability
error	The sampling error
effective_rate	The effective rate (by default it is set to be 0.9)
Cores	Number of cores to use in the computations. By default uses *parallel* function detecCores().
full	It will calculate the popular full version by default. If it is set to FALSE, the estimated diameter will be calculated.

Details

The diameter is the largest shortest path lengths of all pairs of nodes in graph *Network*. metric.distance.diameter calculates the (estimated) diameter of graph *Network* with a justified error.

Value

A real value.

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Dijkstra EW. A note on two problems in connexion with graphs:(numerische mathematik, _1 (1959), p 269-271). 1959.

Castro L, Shaikh N. Estimation of Average Path Lengths of Social Networks via Random Node Pair Sampling. Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Miami. 2016.

Examples

```
## Not run:
##Default function
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000,0.01)
metric.distance.effdia(x)
##Population APL
metric.distance.effdia(x, full=TRUE)
##Sampling at 99% level with an error of 10% using 5 cores
metric.distance.effdia(Network = x, probability=0.99, error=0.1, Cores=5)

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.meanecc

Mean Eccentricity

Description

Calculate the mean eccentricity of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.distance.meanecc(g, p)
```

Arguments

g	The input network.
p	The sampling probability.

Details

The mean eccentricities of all nodes in graph *g*. Calculates the (estimated) mean eccentricity of graph *g* with a justified error.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

West, Douglas Brent. Introduction to graph theory. Vol. 2. Upper Saddle River: Prentice Hall, 2001.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.distance.meanecc(x, 0.01)
## End(Not run)
```

```
metric.distance.medianecc
```
                            Median Eccentricity

Description

Calculate the (estimated) median eccentricity of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.distance.medianecc(g, p)
```

Arguments

g	The input network.
p	The sampling probability.

Details

Is the median eccentricities of all nodes in graph *g*. `metric.distance.medianecc` calculates the (estimated) median eccentricity of graph *g* with a justified error.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

West, Douglas Brent. Introduction to graph theory. Vol. 2. Upper Saddle River: Prentice hall, 2001.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.distance.medianecc(x, 0.01)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.mpl   *Median Path Length*

Description

Calculate the median path length (MPL) of a network.

Usage

```
metric.distance.mpl(
  Network,
  probability = 0.95,
  error = 0.03,
  Cores = detectCores(),
  full = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

Network	The input network.
probability	The confidence level probability
error	The sampling error
Cores	Number of cores to use in the computations. By default detecCores() from *parallel*.
full	It calculates the sampling version by default. If it is set to true, the population MPL will be calculated and the rest of the parameters will be ignored.

Details

The median path length (MPL) is the median shortest path lengths of all pairs of nodes in *Network*. *metric.distance.mpl(g)* calculates the population MPL OR estimated MPL of network g with a sampling error set by the user. The calculation uses a parallel load balancing approach, distributing jobs equally among the cores defined by the user.

Value

A real integer

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

E. W. Dijkstra. 1959. A note on two problems in connexion with graphs. Numer. Math. 1, 1 (December 1959), 269-271.

Castro L, Shaikh N. Estimation of Average Path Lengths of Social Networks via Random Node Pair Sampling. Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Miami. 2016.

Examples

```
## Not run:
##Default function
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000,0.01)
metric.distance.mpl(x)
##Population MPL
metric.distance.mpl(x, full=TRUE)
##Sampling at 99% level with an error of 10% using 5 cores
metric.distance.mpl(Network = x, probability=0.99, error=0.1, Cores=5)

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.eigen.mean *Mean Eigenvalue Centrality*

Description

Calculate the mean eigenvalue centrality of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.eigen.mean(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

`metric.eigen.mean` calculates the mean eigenvalue centrality score of graph *g*.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Bonacich, Phillip, and Paulette Lloyd. "Eigenvector-like measures of centrality for asymmetric relations." Social networks 23, no. 3 (2001): 191-201.

Borgatti, Stephen P. "Centrality and network flow." Social networks 27, no. 1 (2005): 55-71.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.eigen.mean(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.eigen.median   *Median Eigenvalue Centrality*

Description

Calculate the median eigenvalue centrality of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.eigen.median(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

metric.eigen.median calculates the median eigenvalue centrality score of graph *g*.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Bonacich, Phillip, and Paulette Lloyd. "Eigenvector-like measures of centrality for asymmetric relations." Social networks 23, no. 3 (2001): 191-201.

Borgatti, Stephen P. "Centrality and network flow." Social networks 27, no. 1 (2005): 55-71.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.eigen.median(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.eigen.value   *Eigenvalue Score*

Description

Calculate the eigenvalue centrality score of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.eigen.value(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

`metric.eigen.value` calculates the eigenvalue centrality score of graph *g*.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Bonacich, Phillip, and Paulette Lloyd. "Eigenvector-like measures of centrality for asymmetric relations." Social networks 23, no. 3 (2001): 191-201.

Borgatti, Stephen P. "Centrality and network flow." Social networks 27, no. 1 (2005): 55-71.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.eigen.value(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.graph.density   *Graph Density*

Description

Calculate the density of a graph.

Usage

```
metric.graph.density(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

Computes the ratio of the number of edges and the number of possible edges.

Value

A real constant.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
metric.graph.density(x)
## End(Not run)
```

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net.barabasi.albert   *Barabasi-Albert Scale-free Graph*

Description

Simulate a scale-free network using a preferential attachment mechanism (Barabasi and Albert, 1999)

Usage

```
net.barabasi.albert(n, m, ncores = detectCores(), d = FALSE)
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes of the network.
m	Number of nodes to which a new node connects at each iteration.
ncores	Number of cores, by default detectCores() from parallel.
d	A logical value determining whether the generated network is a directed or undirected (default) network.

Details

Starting with *m* nodes, the preferential attachment mechaism adds one node and *m* edges in each step. The edges will be placed with one end on the newly-added node and the other end on the existing nodes, according to probabilities that associate with their current degrees.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Barabasi, A.- L. and Albert R. 1999. Emergence of scaling in random networks. Science, 286 509-512.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.barabasi.albert(1000, 20) # using default ncores
## End(Not run)
```

---

net.caveman   *Caveman Network*

Description

Simulate a (connected) caveman network of *m* cliques of size *k*.

Usage

```
net.caveman(m, k, ncores = detectCores())
```

Arguments

m	Number of cliques (or caves) in the network.
k	Number of nodes per clique.
ncores	Number of cores, by default detectCores() from parallel.

Details

The (connected) caveman network is formed by connecting a set of isolated k - cliques (or "caves"), neighbor by neighbor and head to toe, using one edge that removed from each clique such that all m cliques form a single circle (Watts 1999). The total number of nodes, i.e. n, in this network is given by $k * m$.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Watts, D. J. Networks, Dynamics, and the Small-World Phenomenon. Amer. J. Soc. 105, 493-527, 1999.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.caveman(50, 20) #using ncores by default
## End(Not run)
```

```
net.cluster.affiliation
```
                              Generate a cluster-affiliation graph

---

Description

Generate a cluster-affiliation graph.

Usage

```
net.cluster.affiliation(
  DEG,
  community_affiliation_alpha,
  community_affiliation_lambda,
  community_affiliation_min,
  community_size_alpha,
  community_size_lambda,
  community_size_min
)
```

Arguments

`DEG`	Degree sequence.
`community_affiliation_alpha`	
	First scaling parameter of the membership distribution.
`community_affiliation_lambda`	
	Second scaling parameter of the membership distribution.
`community_affiliation_min`	
	Minimal membership.
`community_size_alpha`	
	First scaling parameter of the cluster-size distribution.
`community_size_lambda`	
	Second scaling parameter of the cluster-size distribution.
`community_size_min`	
	Minimal size of a cluster.

Details

The generated network has multiple (overlapping) densely-connected clusters.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Dong X, Castro L, Shaikh N (2020). "fastnet: An R Package for Fast Simulation and Analysis of Large-Scale Social Networks." Journal of Statistical Software, 96(7), 1-23. doi:10.18637/jss.v096.i07 (URL: https://doi.org/10.18637/jss.v096.i07)

Examples

```
## Not run:
DEG <- sample(seq(5,15),100, replace=TRUE)
x <- net.cluster.affiliation(DEG,
                              community_affiliation_alpha=1.5,
                              community_affiliation_lambda=10,
                              community_affiliation_min=1,
                              community_size_alpha=2.5,
                              community_size_lambda=40,
                              community_size_min=3)
## End(Not run)
```

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net.complete   *Complete Network*

Description

Simulate a complete (or full) network.

Usage

```
net.complete(n, ncores = detectCores())
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes of the network.
ncores	Number of cores, by default detectCores() from parallel.

Details

The *n* nodes in the network are fully connected.

Note that the input *n* should not excess 10000, for the sake of memory overflow.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.complete(1000) #using ncores by default
## End(Not run)
```

---

net.degree.constraint *Generate a degree-constraint graph*

Description

Generate a degree-constraint graph.

Usage

```
net.degree.constraint(DEG, c.alpha, c.min)
```

Arguments

DEG	Degree sequence.
c.alpha	Scaling parameter of the community-size distribution.
c.min	Minimal size of a community.

Details

The generated network has a pre-defined degree sequence with multiple (overlapping) communities.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Dong X, Castro L, Shaikh N (2020). "fastnet: An R Package for Fast Simulation and Analysis of Large-Scale Social Networks." Journal of Statistical Software, 96(7), 1-23. doi:10.18637/jss.v096.i07 (URL: https://doi.org/10.18637/jss.v096.i07)

Examples

```
## Not run:
DEG <- sample(seq(5,15),100, replace=TRUE)
x <- net.degree.constraint(DEG, c.alpha=2, c.min=3)
## End(Not run)
```

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net.erdos.renyi.gnm	*Directed / Undirected Erdos-Renyi $G(n,m)$ network using a fix edge size.*

Description

Simulate a random network with *n* nodes and *m* edges, according to Erdos and Renyi (1959).

Usage

```
net.erdos.renyi.gnm(n, m, ncores = detectCores(), d = TRUE)
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes of the network.
m	Number of edges of the network.
ncores	Number of cores, by default detectCores() from parallel.
d	A logical value determining whether is a network directed (default) or indirected.

Details

In this (simplest) random network, *m* edges are formed at random among *n* nodes. When d = TRUE is a directed network.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Erdos, P. and Renyi, A., On random graphs, Publicationes Mathematicae 6, 290-297 (1959).

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.erdos.renyi.gnm(1000, 100)
## End(Not run)
```

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net.erdos.renyi.gnp   *Directed / Undirected Erdos-Renyi $G(n, p)$ network*

Description

Simulate a random network with *n* nodes and a link connecting probability of *p*, according to Edos and Renyi (1959).

Usage

```
net.erdos.renyi.gnp(n, p, ncores = detectCores(), d = TRUE)
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes of the network.
p	Connecting probability.
ncores	Number of cores, by default detectCores() from parallel.
d	A logical value determining whether is a network directed (default) or indirected.

Details

In this (simplest) random network, each edge is formed at random with a constant probability. When d = TRUE is a directed network.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Luis Castro, Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

References

Erdos, P. and Renyi, A., On random graphs, Publicationes Mathematicae 6, 290-297 (1959).

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.erdos.renyi.gnp(1000, 0.01)
## End(Not run)
```

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net.holme.kim   *Holme-Kim Network*

Description

Simulate a scale-free network with relatively high clustering, comparing to B-A networks (Holme and Kim, 1999).

Usage

```
net.holme.kim(n, m, pt)
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes of the network.
m	Number of nodes to which a new node connects at each iteration.
pt	Triad formation probability after each preferential attachment mechanism.

Details

The Holme-Kim network model is a simple extension of B-A model. It adds an additional step, called "Triad formation", with the probability *pt* that compensates the low clustering in B-A networks.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Holme, Petter, and Beom Jun Kim. "Growing scale-free networks with tunable clustering."Physical review E65, no. 2 (2002): 026107.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.holme.kim (1000, 20, 0.1)
## End(Not run)
```

---

net.random.plc   *Random Network with a Power-law Degree Distribution that Has An Exponential Cutoff*

Description

Simulate a random network with a power-law degree distribution that has an exponential cutoff, according to Newman et al. (2001).

Usage

```
net.random.plc(n, cutoff, exponent)
```

Arguments

n	The number of the nodes in the network.
cutoff	Exponential cutoff of the degree distribution of the network.
exponent	Exponent of the degree distribution of the network.

Details

The generated random network has a power-law degree distribution with an exponential degree cutoff.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Newman, Mark EJ, Steven H. Strogatz, and Duncan J. Watts. "Random graphs with arbitrary degree distributions and their applications." Physical review E 64, no. 2 (2001): 026118.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.random.plc(1000, 10, 2)
## End(Not run)
```

---

net.rewired.caveman   *Rewired (Connected) Caveman Network*

Description

Simulate a rewired caveman network of m cliques of size k, and with a link rewiring probability p.

Usage

```
net.rewired.caveman(nc, m, p, seed = 99)
```

Arguments

nc	Number of cliques (or caves) in the network.
m	Number of nodes per clique.
p	Link rewiring probability.
seed	A random seed.

Details

The rewired caveman network is built on the corresponding regular caveman network with m cliques of size k. Then the links in this caveman network are rewired with probability p.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Watts, D. J. Networks, Dynamics, and the Small-World Phenomenon. Amer. J. Soc. 105, 493-527, 1999.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.rewired.caveman(50, 20, 0.0005)
## End(Not run)
```

net.ring.lattice | k - *regular ring lattice*

Description

Simulate a network with a *k* -regular ring lattice structure.

Usage

```
net.ring.lattice(n, k)
```

Arguments

n	Number of nodes in the network.
k	Number of edges per node.

Details

The *n* nodes are placed on a circle and each node is connected to the nearest *k* neighbors.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Duncan J Watts and Steven H Strogatz: Collective dynamics of 'small world' networks, Nature 393, 440-442, 1998.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.ring.lattice(1000, 10)
## End(Not run)
```

net.watts.strogatz   *Watts-Strogatz Small-world Network*

Description

Simulate a small-world network according to the model of Watts and Strogatz (1998).

Usage

```
net.watts.strogatz(n, k, re)
```

Arguments

n	The number of the nodes in the network (or lattice).
k	Number of edges per node.
re	Rewiring probability.

Details

The formation of Watts-Strogatz network starts with a ring lattice with *n* nodes and *k* edges per node, then each edge is rewired at random with probability *re*.

Value

A list containing the nodes of the network and their respective neighbors.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

References

Duncan J. Watts and Steven H. Strogatz: Collective dynamics of 'small world' networks, Nature 393, 440-442, 1998.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.watts.strogatz(1000, 10, 0.05)
## End(Not run)
```

---

preview.deg *Preview of the degree distribution of a network*

Description

Present the first 10 degrees of a network.

Usage

```
preview.deg(g)
```

Arguments

g   The input network.

Details

Present the first 10 degrees of a network.

Value

A vector.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- net.ring.lattice(12,4)
preview.deg(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

preview.net *Preview of a network*

Description

Present the first 10 ego-centric lists of a network.

Usage

```
preview.net(net)
```

Arguments

net   The input network.

Details

the connection condition of the first 10 nodes in a network.

Value

A list.

Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

Examples

```
## Not run:
x <-  net.ring.lattice(12,4)
preview.net(x)
## End(Not run)
```

---

to.edgelist   fastnet *to edgelist*

Description

Coerce a fastnet object to edgelist.

Usage

```
to.edgelist(network, ncores)
```

Arguments

network   A fastnet object.
ncores   The number of cores to be used.

Value

A 2-column list with each row representing an edge, from source to destination

Author(s)

Xu Dong

Examples

```
## Not run:
g <- net.erdos.renyi.gnp(100, 0.1)
el <- to.edgelist(g)
## End(Not run)
```

---

to.igraph   fastnet *to* igraph

Description

Coerce a fastnet object to an igraph object

Usage

```
to.igraph(g)
```

Arguments

g   A fastnet object

Value

An igraph object

Author(s)

Xu Dong

---

to.tidygraph   fastnet *to* tidygraph

Description

Coerce a fastnet object to a tidygraph object.

Usage

```
to.tidygraph(g)
```

Arguments

g   A fastnet object.

Value

A tidygraph object

Author(s)

Xu Dong

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