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network-package *Classes for Relational Data*

Description

Tools to create and modify network objects. The `network` class can represent a range of relational data types, and supports arbitrary vertex/edge/graph attributes.

Details

The `network` package provides tools for creation, access, and modification of `network` class objects. These objects allow for the representation of more complex structures than can be readily handled by other means (e.g., adjacency matrices), and are substantially more efficient in handling large, sparse networks. While the full capabilities of the `network` class can only be exploited by means of the various custom interface methods (see below), many simple tasks are streamlined through the use of operator overloading; in particular, network objects can often be treated as if they were adjacency matrices (a representation which will be familiar to users of the `sna` package). `network` objects are compatible with the `sna` package, and are required for many packages in the `statnet` bundle.

Basic information on the creation of `network` objects can be found by typing `help(network)`.

To learn about setting, modifying, or deleting network, vertex, or edge attributes, see `help(attribute.methods)`.

For information on custom network operators, type `help(network.operators)`; information on overloaded operators can be found via `help(network.extraction)`. Additional help topics are listed below.

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add.edges *Add Edges to a Network Object*

Description

Add one or more edges to an existing network object.

Usage

```
add.edge(x, tail, head, names.eval=NULL, vals.eval=NULL,
         edge.check=FALSE, ...)
add.edges(x, tail, head, names.eval=NULL, vals.eval=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class <code>network</code>
tail	for <code>add.edge</code> , a vector of vertex IDs reflecting the tail set for the edge to be added; for <code>add.edges</code> , a list of such vectors
head	for <code>add.edge</code> , a vector of vertex IDs reflecting the head set for the edge to be added; for <code>add.edges</code> , a list of such vectors
names.eval	for <code>add.edge</code> , an optional list of names for edge attributes; for <code>add.edges</code> , a list of such lists
vals.eval	for <code>add.edge</code> , an optional list of edge attribute values (matching <code>names.eval</code>); for <code>add.edges</code> , a list of such lists
edge.check	logical; should we perform (computationally expensive) tests to check for the legality of submitted edges?
...	additional arguments

Details

The edge checking procedure is very slow, but should always be employed when debugging; without it, one cannot guarantee that the network state is consistent with network level variables (see [network.indicators](#)).

Edges can also be added/removed via the extraction/replacement operators. See the associated man page for details.

Value

Invisibly, `add.edge` and `add.edges` return pointers to their modified arguments; both functions modify their arguments in place..

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[network](#), [add.vertices](#), [network.extraction](#), [delete.edges](#)

Examples

```
#Initialize a small, empty network
g<-network.initialize(3)

#Add an edge
add.edge(g,1,2)
g

#Can also add edges using the extraction/replacement operators
g[,3]<-1
g[,]
```

add.vertices	<i>Add Vertices to an Existing Network</i>
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Description

`add.vertices` adds a specified number of vertices to an existing network; if desired, attributes for the new vertices may be specified as well.

Usage

```
add.vertices(x, nv, vattr = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class <code>network</code>
nv	the number of vertices to add
vattr	optionally, a list of attributes with one entry per new vertex

Details

Note that the attribute format used here is based on the internal (vertex-wise) storage method, as opposed to the attribute-wise format used by `network`.

Value

Invisibly, a pointer to the updated `network` object; `add.vertices` modifies its argument in place.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[network](#), [get.vertex.attribute](#), [set.vertex.attribute](#)

Examples

```
#Initialize a network object
g<-network.initialize(5)
g

#Add five more vertices
add.vertices(g,5)
g
```

`as.matrix.network` *Coerce a Network Object to Matrix Form*

Description

The `as.matrix` methods attempt to coerce their input to a matrix in adjacency, incidence, or edgelist form. Edge values (from a stored attribute) may be used if present.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':  
as.matrix(x, matrix.type = NULL, attrname = NULL, ...)  
## S3 method for class 'adjacency':  
as.matrix.network(x, attrname=NULL, ...)  
## S3 method for class 'edgelist':  
as.matrix.network(x, attrname=NULL, ...)  
## S3 method for class 'incidence':  
as.matrix.network(x, attrname=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class network
matrix.type	one of "adjacency", "incidence", "edgelist", or NULL
attrname	optionally, the name of an edge attribute to use for edge values
...	additional arguments.

Details

If no matrix type is specified, `which.matrix.type` will be used to make an educated guess based on the shape of `x`. Where edge values are not specified, a dichotomous matrix will be assumed.

Note that adjacency matrices may also be obtained using the extraction operator. See the relevant man page for details.

Value

An adjacency, incidence, or edgelist matrix

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`which.matrix.type`, `network`, `network.extraction`

Examples

```
#Create a random network  
m <- matrix(rbinom(25,1,0.5),5,5)  
diag(m) <- 0  
g <- network(m)
```

```
#Coerce to matrix form
as.matrix.network(g,matrix.type="adjacency")
as.matrix.network(g,matrix.type="incidence")
as.matrix.network(g,matrix.type="edgelist")

#Can also use the extraction operator
g[,]           #Get entire adjacency matrix
g[1:5,6:10]   #Obtain a submatrix
```

as.network.matrix *Coercion from Matrices to Network Objects*

Description

as.network.matrix attempts to coerce its first argument to an object of class network.

Usage

```
## Default S3 method:
as.network(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'matrix':
as.network(x, matrix.type = NULL, directed = TRUE,
           hyper = FALSE, loops = FALSE, multiple = FALSE, bipartite = FALSE,
           ignore.eval = TRUE, names.eval = NULL, na.rm = FALSE,
           edge.check = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a matrix containing an adjacency structure
matrix.type	one of "adjacency", "edgelist", "incidence", or NULL
directed	logical; should edges be interpreted as directed?
hyper	logical; are hyperedges allowed?
loops	logical; should loops be allowed?
multiple	logical; are multiplex edges allowed?
bipartite	count; should the network be interpreted as bipartite? If present (i.e., non-NULL) it is the count of the number of actors in the bipartite network. In this case, the number of nodes is equal to the number of actors plus the number of events (with all actors preceding all events). The edges are then interpreted as nondirected.
ignore.eval	logical; ignore edge values?
names.eval	optionally, the name of the attribute in which edge values should be stored
na.rm	logical; ignore missing entries when constructing the network?
edge.check	logical; perform consistency checks on new edges?
...	additional arguments

Details

Depending on `matrix.type`, one of three `edgeset` constructor methods will be employed to read the input matrix (see [edgeset.constructors](#)). If `matrix.type==NULL`, `which.matrix.type` will be used to guess the appropriate matrix type.

Value

An object of class `network`

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[edgeset.constructors](#), [network](#), [which.matrix.type](#)

Examples

```
#Draw a random matrix
m<-matrix(rbinom(25,1,0.5),5)
diag(m)<-0

#Coerce to network form
g<-as.network.matrix(m,matrix.type="adjacency")
```

as.sociomatrix

Coerce One or More Networks to Sociomatrix Form

Description

`as.sociomatrix` takes adjacency matrices, adjacency arrays, `network` objects, or lists thereof, and returns one or more sociomatrices (adjacency matrices) as appropriate. This routine provides a useful input-agnostic front-end to functions which process adjacency matrices.

Usage

```
as.sociomatrix(x, attrname = NULL, simplify = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an adjacency matrix, array, <code>network</code> object, or list thereof.
<code>attrname</code>	optionally, the name of a network attribute to use for extracting edge values (if <code>x</code> is a <code>network</code> object).
<code>simplify</code>	logical; should <code>as.sociomatrix</code> attempt to combine its inputs into an adjacency array (<code>TRUE</code>), or return them as separate list elements (<code>FALSE</code>)?
<code>...</code>	additional arguments for the coercion routine.

Details

`as.sociomatrix` provides a more general means of coercing input into adjacency matrix form than `as.matrix.network`. In particular, `as.sociomatrix` will attempt to coerce all input networks into the appropriate form, and return the resulting matrices in a regularized manner. If `simplify==TRUE`, `as.sociomatrix` attempts to return the matrices as a single adjacency array. If the input networks are of variable size, or if `simplify==FALSE`, the networks in question are returned as a list of matrices. In any event, a single input network is always returned as a lone matrix.

If `attrname` is given, the specified edge attribute is used to extract edge values from any `network` objects contained in `x`. Note that the same attribute will be used for all networks; if no attribute is specified, the standard dichotomous default will be used instead.

Value

One or more adjacency matrices. If all matrices are of the same dimension and `simplify==TRUE`, the matrices are joined into a single array; otherwise, the return value is a list of single adjacency matrices.

Author(s)

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

References

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See Also

`as.matrix.network`, `network`

Examples

```
#Generate an adjacency array
g<-array(rbinom(100,1,0.5),dim=c(4,5,5))

#Generate a network object
net<-network(matrix(rbinom(36,1,0.5),6,6))

#Coerce to adjacency matrix form using as.sociomatrix
```

```

as.sociomatrix(g,simplify=TRUE) #Returns as-is
as.sociomatrix(g,simplify=FALSE) #Returns as list
as.sociomatrix(net) #Coerces to matrix
as.sociomatrix(list(net,g)) #Returns as list of matrices

```

attribute.methods *Attribute Interface Methods for the Network Class*

Description

These methods get, set, list, and delete attributes at the network, edge, and vertex level.

Usage

```

delete.edge.attribute(x, attrname)
delete.network.attribute(x, attrname)
delete.vertex.attribute(x, attrname)

get.edge.attribute(e1, attrname, unlist = TRUE)
get.edge.value(x, attrname, unlist = TRUE)
get.network.attribute(x, attrname, unlist = FALSE)
get.vertex.attribute(x, attrname, na.omit = FALSE, null.na = TRUE,
  unlist = TRUE)
network.vertex.names(x)

list.network.attributes(x)
list.edge.attributes(x)
list.vertex.attributes(x)

set.edge.attribute(x, attrname, value, e=1:length(x$mel))
set.edge.value(x, attrname, value, e=1:length(x$mel))
set.network.attribute(x, attrname, value)
set.vertex.attribute(x, attrname, value, v=1:network.size(x))
network.vertex.names(x) <- value

```

Arguments

e1	a list of edges (possibly network\$mel).
x	an object of class network.
attrname	the name of the attribute to get or set.
unlist	logical; should retrieved attributes be unlisted prior to being returned?
na.omit	logical; should values from missing vertices/edges be removed?
null.na	logical; should NULL values be replaced with NAs?
value	values of the attribute to be set; these should be in vector or list form for the edge and vertex cases, or matrix form for set.edge.value.
e	IDs for the edges whose attributes are to be altered.
v	IDs for the vertices whose attributes are to be altered.

Details

The `list.attributes` functions return the names of all edge, network, or vertex attributes (respectively) in the network. All attributes need not be defined for all elements; the union of all extant attributes for the respective element type is returned.

The `get.attribute` functions look for an edge, network, or vertex attribute (respectively) with the name `attrname`, returning its values. Note that, to retrieve an edge attribute from all edges within a network `x`, `x$mel` should be used as the first argument to `get.edge.attribute`; `get.edge.value` is a convenience function which does this automatically. `network.vertex.names` is a convenience function to extract the "vertex.names" attribute from all vertices.

The `set.attribute` functions allow one to set the values of edge, network, or vertex attributes. `set.edge.value` is a convenience function which allows edge attributes to be given in adjacency matrix form, and the assignment form of `network.attribute.names` is likewise a convenient front-end to `set.vertex.attribute` for vertex names. The `delete.attribute` functions, by contrast, remove the named attribute from the network, from all edges, or from all vertices (as appropriate). If `attrname` is a vector of attribute names, each will be removed in turn. These functions modify their arguments in place, although a pointer to the modified object is also (invisibly) returned.

Note that some attribute assignment/extraction can be performed through the various extraction/replacement operators. See the associated man page for details.

Value

For the `list.attributes` methods, a vector containing attribute names. For the `get.attribute` methods, a list containing the values of the attribute in question (or simply the value itself, for `get.network.attribute`). For the `set.attribute` and `delete.attribute` methods, a pointer to the updated network object.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[network](#), [as.network.matrix](#), [as.sociomatrix](#), [as.matrix.network](#), [network.extraction](#)

Examples

```
#Create a network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)

#Create a matrix of values corresponding to edges
mm<-m
```

```

mm[1,2]<-7; mm[2,3]<-4; mm[3,1]<-2

#Assign some attributes
set.edge.attribute(g,"myeval",3:5)
set.edge.value(g,"myeval2",mm)
set.network.attribute(g,"mygval","boo")
set.vertex.attribute(g,"myvval",letters[1:3])
network.vertex.names(g) <- LETTERS[1:10]

#List the attributes
list.edge.attributes(g)
list.network.attributes(g)
list.vertex.attributes(g)

#Retrieve the attributes
get.edge.attribute(g$mel,"myeval") #Note the first argument!
get.edge.value(g,"myeval") #Another way to do this
get.edge.attribute(g$mel,"myeval2")
get.network.attribute(g,"mygval")
get.vertex.attribute(g,"myvval")
network.vertex.names(g)

#Purge the attributes
delete.edge.attribute(g,"myeval")
delete.edge.attribute(g,"myeval2")
delete.network.attribute(g,"mygval")
delete.vertex.attribute(g,"myvval")

#Verify that the attributes are gone
list.edge.attributes(g)
list.network.attributes(g)
list.vertex.attributes(g)

#Note that we can do similar things using operators
g %n% "mygval" <- "boo" #Set attributes, as above
g %v% "myvval" <- letters[1:3]
g %e% "myeval" <- mm
g[, ,names.eval="myeval"] <- mm #Another way to do this
g %n% "mygval" #Retrieve the attributes
g %v% "myvval"
g %e% "mevval"
as.sociomatrix(g,"myeval") # Or like this

```

deletion.methods *Remove Elements from a Network Object*

Description

`delete.edges` removes one or more edges (specified by their internal ID numbers) from a network; `delete.vertices` performs the same task for vertices (removing all associated edges in

the process).

Usage

```
delete.edges(x, eid)
delete.vertices(x, vid)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code> .
<code>eid</code>	a vector of edge IDs.
<code>vid</code>	a vector of vertex IDs.

Details

Note that an edge's ID number corresponds to its order within `x$mel`. To determine edge IDs, see [get.edgeIDs](#). Likewise, vertex ID numbers reflect the order with which vertices are listed internally (e.g., the order of `x$oel` and `x$iel`, or that used by `as.matrix.network.adjacency`). When vertices are removed from a network, all edges having those vertices as endpoints are removed as well.

Edges can also be added/removed via the extraction/replacement operators. See the associated man page for details.

Value

Invisibly, a pointer to the updated network; these functions modify their arguments in place.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[get.edgeIDs](#), [network.extraction](#)

Examples

```
#Create a network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)

as.matrix.network(g)
delete.edges(g,2)           #Remove an edge
as.matrix.network(g)
```

```

delete.vertices(g,2)           #Remove a vertex
as.matrix.network(g)

#Can also remove edges using extraction/replacement operators
g<-network(m)
g[1,2]<-0                       #Remove an edge
g[, ]
g[, ]<-0                       #Remove all edges
g[, ]

```

edgeset.constructors

Edgeset Constructors for Network Objects

Description

These functions convert relational data in matrix form to network edge sets.

Usage

```

network.adjacency(x, g, ignore.eval = TRUE, names.eval = NULL, ...)
network.edgelist(x, g, ignore.eval = TRUE, names.eval = NULL, ...)
network.incidence(x, g, ignore.eval = TRUE, names.eval = NULL, ...)
network.bipartite(x, g, ignore.eval = TRUE, names.eval = NULL, ...)

```

Arguments

x	a matrix containing edge information
g	an object of class <code>network</code>
ignore.eval	logical; ignore edge values?
names.eval	the edge attribute under which to store edge values, if any
...	additional arguments to add.edge

Details

Each of the above functions takes a `network` and a matrix as input, and modifies the supplied `network` object by adding the appropriate edges. `network.adjacency` takes `x` to be an adjacency matrix; `network.edgelist` takes `x` to be an edgelist matrix; and `network.incidence` takes `x` to be an incidence matrix. `network.bipartite` takes `x` to be a two-mode adjacency matrix where rows and columns reflect each respective mode (conventionally, actors and events); If `ignore.eval==FALSE`, (non-zero) edge values are stored as edgewise attributes with name `names.eval`. Any additional command line parameters are passed to [add.edge](#).

Results similar to `network.adjacency` can also be obtained by means of extraction/replacement operators. See the associated man page for details.

Value

Invisibly, an object of class `network`; these functions modify their argument in place.

Note

Handling of missing data is not yet fully implemented.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network`, `network.initialize`, `add.edge`, `network.extraction`

Examples

```
#Create an arbitrary adjacency matrix
m<-matrix(rbinom(25,1,0.5),5,5)
diag(m)<-0

g<-network.initialize(5)      #Initialize the network
network.adjacency(m,g)       #Import the edge data

#Do the same thing, using replacement operators
g<-network.initialize(5)
g[,]<-m
```

emon

Interorganizational Search and Rescue Networks (Drabek et al.)

Description

Drabek et al. (1981) provide seven case studies of emergent multi-organizational networks (EMONs) in the context of search and rescue (SAR) activities. Networks of interaction frequency are reported, along with several organizational attributes.

Usage

```
data(emon)
```

Format

A list of 7 `network` objects:

[[1]]	Cheyenne	network	Cheyenne SAR EMON
[[2]]	HurrFrederic	network	Hurricane Frederic SAR EMON
[[3]]	LakePomona	network	Lake Pomona SAR EMON
[[4]]	MtSi	network	Mt. Si SAR EMON
[[5]]	MtStHelens	network	Mt. St. Helens SAR EMON
[[6]]	Texas	network	Texas Hill Country SAR EMON
[[7]]	Wichita	network	Wichita Falls SAR EMON

Each network has one edge attribute:

Frequency numeric Interaction frequency (1-4; 1=most frequent)

Each network also has 8 vertex attributes:

Command.Rank.Score	numeric	Mean rank in the command structure
Decision.Rank.Score	numeric	Mean rank in the decision process
Formalization	numeric	Degree of formalization
Location	character	Location code
Paid.Staff	numeric	Number of paid staff
Sponsorship	character	Sponsorship type
vertex.names	character	Organization name
Volunteer.Staff	numeric	Number of volunteer staff

Details

All networks collected by Drabek et al. reflect reported frequency of organizational interaction during the search and rescue effort; the (i,j) edge constitutes i's report regarding interaction with j, with non-adjacent vertices reporting no contact. Frequency is rated on a four-point scale, with 1 indicating the highest frequency of interaction. (Response options: 1="continuously", 2="about once an hour", 3="every few hours", 4="about once a day or less") This is stored within the "Frequency" edge attribute.

For each network, several covariates are recorded as vertex attributes:

Command.Rank.Score Mean (reversed) rank for the prominence of each organization in the command structure of the response, as judged by organizational informants.

Decision.Rank.Score Mean (reversed) rank for the prominence of each organization in decision making processes during the response, as judged by organizational informants.

Formalization An index of organizational formalization, ranging from 0 (least formalized) to 4 (most formalized).

Localization For each organization, "L" if the organization was sited locally to the impact area, "NL" if the organization was not sited near the impact area, "B" if the organization was sited at both local and non-local locations.

Paid.Staff Number of paid staff employed by each organization at the time of the response.

Sponsorship The level at which each organization was sponsored (e.g., "City", "County", "State", "Federal", and "Private").

vertex.names The identity of each organization.

Volunteer.Staff Number of volunteer staff employed by each organization at the time of the response.

Note that where intervals were given by the original source, midpoints have been substituted. For detailed information regarding data coding and procedures, see Drabek et al. (1981).

Source

Drabek, T.E.; Tamminga, H.L.; Kilijanek, T.S.; and Adams, C.R. (1981). *Data from Managing Multiorganizational Emergency Responses: Emergent Search and Rescue Networks in Natural Disaster and Remote Area Settings*. Program on Technology, Environment, and Man Monograph 33. Institute for Behavioral Science, University of Colorado.

See Also

[network](#)

Examples

```
data(emon) #Load the emon data set

#Plot the EMONs
par(mfrow=c(3,3))
for(i in 1:length(emon))
  plot(emon[[i]],main=names(emon)[i],edge.lwd="Frequency")
```

flo

Florentine Wedding Data (Padgett)

Description

This is a data set of Padgett (1994), consisting of weddings among leading Florentine families. This data is stored in symmetric adjacency matrix form.

Usage

```
data(flo)
```

Source

Padgett, John F. (1994). "Marriage and Elite Structure in Renaissance Florence, 1282-1500." Paper delivered to the Social Science History Association.

References

Wasserman, S. and Faust, K. (1994) *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

See Also[network](#)**Examples**

```

data(flo)
nflo<-network(flo,directed=FALSE) #Convert to network object form
all(nflo[,]==flo) #Trust, but verify
#A fancy display:
plot(nflo,displaylabels=TRUE,boxed.labels=FALSE,label.cex=0.75)

```

`get.edges`*Retrieve Edges or Edge IDs Associated with a Given Vertex*

Description

`get.edges` retrieves a list of edges incident on a given vertex; `get.edgeIDs` returns the internal identifiers for those edges, instead. Both allow edges to be selected based on vertex neighborhood and (optionally) an additional endpoint.

Usage

```

get.edges(x, v, alter = NULL, neighborhood = c("out", "in",
"combined"), na.omit = TRUE)
get.edgeIDs(x, v, alter=NULL, neighborhood=c("out", "in", "combined"),
na.omit=TRUE)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code>
<code>v</code>	a vertex ID
<code>alter</code>	optionally, the ID of another vertex
<code>neighborhood</code>	an indicator for whether we are interested in in-edges, out-edges, or both (relative to <code>v</code>)
<code>na.omit</code>	logical; should we omit missing edges?

Details

By default, `get.edges` returns all out-, in-, or out- and in-edges containing `v`. (`get.edgeIDs` is identical, save in its return value.) Specifying a vertex in `alter` causes these edges to be further selected such that `alter` must also belong to the edge – this can be used to extract edges between two particular vertices. Omission of missing edges is accomplished via `na.omit`.

Value

For `get.edges`, a list of edges. For `get.edgeIDs`, a vector of edge ID numbers.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[get.neighborhood](#)

Examples

```
#Create a network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)

get.edges(g,1,neighborhood="out")
get.edgeIDs(g,1,neighborhood="in")
```

get.neighborhood *Obtain the Neighborhood of a Given Vertex*

Description

get.neighborhood returns the IDs of all vertices belonging to the in, out, or combined neighborhoods of *v* within network *x*.

Usage

```
get.neighborhood(x, v, type = c("out", "in", "combined"),
  na.omit=TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code>
<code>v</code>	a vertex ID
<code>type</code>	the neighborhood to be computed
<code>na.omit</code>	logical; should missing edges be ignored when obtaining vertex neighborhoods?

Details

Note that the combined neighborhood is the union of the in and out neighborhoods – as such, no vertex will appear twice.

Value

A vector containing the vertex IDs for the chosen neighborhood.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

Wasserman, S. and Faust, K. 1994. *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

See Also

[get.edges](#), [is.adjacent](#)

Examples

```
#Create a network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)

#Examine the neighborhood of vertex 1
get.neighborhood(g,1,"out")
get.neighborhood(g,1,"in")
get.neighborhood(g,1,"combined")
```

is.adjacent

Determine Whether Two Vertices Are Adjacent

Description

`is.adjacent` returns TRUE iff v_i is adjacent to v_j in x . Missing edges may be omitted or not, as per `na.omit`.

Usage

```
is.adjacent(x, vi, vj, na.omit = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code>
<code>vi</code>	a vertex ID
<code>vj</code>	a second vertex ID
<code>na.omit</code>	logical; should missing edges be ignored when assessing adjacency?

Details

Vertex v is said to be adjacent to vertex v' within directed network G iff there exists some edge whose tail set contains v and whose head set contains v' . In the undirected case, head and tail sets are exchangeable, and thus v is adjacent to v' if there exists an edge such that v belongs to one endpoint set and v' belongs to the other. (In dyadic graphs, these sets are of cardinality 1, but this may not be the case where hyperedges are admitted.)

If an edge which would make v and v' adjacent is marked as missing (via its `na` attribute), then the behavior of `is.adjacent` depends upon `na.omit`. If `na.omit==FALSE` (the default), then the return value is considered to be NA unless there is also *another* edge from v to v' which is *not* missing (in which case the two are clearly adjacent). If `na.omit==TRUE`, on the other hand the missing edge is simply disregarded in assessing adjacency (i.e., it effectively treated as not present). It is important not to confuse “not present” with “missing” in this context: the former indicates that the edge in question does not belong to the network, while the latter indicates that the state of the corresponding edge is regarded as unknown. By default, all edge states are assumed “known” unless otherwise indicated (by setting the edge’s `na` attribute to `TRUE`; see `attribute.methods`).

Adjacency can also be determined via the extraction/replacement operators. See the associated man page for details.

Value

A logical, giving the status of the (i,j) edge

Note

Prior to version 1.4, `na.omit` was set to `TRUE` by default.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

Wasserman, S. and Faust, K. 1994. *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

See Also

`get.neighborhood`, `network.extraction`, `attribute.methods`

Examples

```
#Create a very simple graph
g<-network.initialize(3)
add.edge(g,1,2)
is.adjacent(g,1,2) #TRUE
is.adjacent(g,2,1) #FALSE
g[1,2]==1         #TRUE
```

```
g[2,1]==1          #FALSE
```

missing.edges	<i>Identifying and Counting Missing Edges in a Network Object</i>
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Description

`network.naedgecount` returns the number of edges within a `network` object which are flagged as missing. The `is.na` network method returns a new network containing the missing edges.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':
is.na(x)
network.naedgecount(x)
```

Arguments

`x` an object of class `network`

Details

The missingness of an edge is controlled by its `na` attribute (which is mandatory for all edges); `network.naedgecount` returns the number of edges for which `na==TRUE`. The `is.na` network method produces a new network object whose edges correspond to the missing (`na==TRUE`) edges of the original object, and is thus a convenient method of extracting detailed missingness information on the entire network. The network returned by `is.na` is guaranteed to have the same base network attributes (directedness, loopness, hypergraphicity, multiplexity, and bipartite constraint) as the original network object, but no other information is copied; note too that edge IDs are *not* preserved by this process (although adjacency obviously is). Since the resulting object is a `network`, standard coercion, `print/summary`, and other methods can be applied to it in the usual fashion.

It should be borne in mind that “missingness” in the sense used here reflects the assertion that an edge’s presence or absence is unknown, *not* that said edge is known not to be present. Thus, the `na` count for an empty graph is properly 0, since all edges are known to be absent. Edges can be flagged as missing by setting their `na` attribute to `TRUE` using `set.edge.attribute`, or by appropriate use of the network assignment operators; see below for an example of the latter.

Value

The number of missing edges

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network.edgcount`, `get.network.attribute`, `is.adjacent`, `is.na`

Examples

```
#Create an empty network with no missing data
g<-network.initialize(5)
g[,] #No edges present...
network.naedgecount(g)==0 #Edges not present are not "missing"!

#Now, add some missing edges
g[1,,add.edges=TRUE]<-NA #Establish that 1's ties are unknown
g[,] #Observe the missing elements
is.na(g) #Observe in network form
network.naedgecount(g)==4 #These elements do count!
network.edgcount(is.na(g)) #Same as above
```

network

Networks

Description

Construct, coerce to, test for and print `network` objects.

Usage

```
network(x, vertex.attr=NULL, vertex.attrnames=NULL, directed=TRUE,
        hyper=FALSE, loops=FALSE, multiple=FALSE, bipartite = FALSE, ...)
network.copy(x)
as.network(x, ...)
is.network(x)
## S3 method for class 'network':
print(x, matrix.type=which.matrix.type(x),
      mixingmatrices=FALSE, na.omit=TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'network':
summary(object, na.omit=TRUE, mixingmatrices=FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

`x` for `network`, a matrix giving the network structure in adjacency, incidence, or edgelist form; otherwise, an object of class `network`.

`vertex.attr` optionally, a list containing vertex attributes.

<code>vertex.attrnames</code>	optionally, a list containing vertex attribute names.
<code>directed</code>	logical; should edges be interpreted as directed?
<code>hyper</code>	logical; are hyperedges allowed?
<code>loops</code>	logical; should loops be allowed?
<code>multiple</code>	logical; are multiplex edges allowed?
<code>bipartite</code>	count; should the network be interpreted as bipartite? If present (i.e., non-NULL) it is the count of the number of actors in the bipartite network. In this case, the number of nodes is equal to the number of actors plus the number of events (with all actors preceding all events). The edges are then interpreted as nondirected.
<code>matrix.type</code>	one of "adjacency", "edgelist", "incidence".
<code>object</code>	an object of class <code>network</code> .
<code>na.omit</code>	logical; omit summarization of missing attributes in <code>network</code> ?
<code>mixingmatrices</code>	logical; print the mixing matrices for the discrete attributes?
<code>...</code>	additional arguments.

Details

`network` constructs a `network` class object from a matrix representation.

`network.copy` creates a new `network` object which duplicates its supplied argument. (Direct assignment with `<-` should be used rather than `network.copy` in most cases.)

`as.network` tries to coerce its argument to a `network`, using the `network` function if necessary.

`is.network` tests whether its argument is a `network` (in the sense that it has class `network`).

`print.network` prints a `network` object in one of several possible formats. It also prints the list of global attributes of the `network`.

`summary.network` provides similar information.

Value

`network`, `as.network`, and `print.network` all return a `network` class object; `is.network` returns TRUE or FALSE.

Note

Between versions 0.5 and 1.2, direct assignment of a `network` object created a pointer to the original object, rather than a copy. As of version 1.2, direct assignment behaves in the same manner as `network.copy`. Direct use of the latter is thus superfluous in most situations, and is discouraged.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network.initialize`, `attribute.methods`, `as.network.matrix`, `as.matrix.network`, `deletion.methods`, `edgeset.constructors`, `network.indicators`, `plot.network`

Examples

```
m <- matrix(rbinom(25,1,.4),5,5)
diag(m) <- 0
g <- network(m, directed=FALSE)
summary(g)

h <- network.copy(g)      #Note: same as h<-g
summary(h)
```

network.arrow *Add Arrows or Segments to a Plot*

Description

`network.arrow` draws a segment or arrow between two pairs of points; unlike `arrows` or `segments`, the new plot element is drawn as a polygon.

Usage

```
network.arrow(x0, y0, x1, y1, length = 0.1, angle = 20,
             width = 0.01, col = 1, border = 1, lty = 1, offset.head = 0,
             offset.tail = 0, arrowhead = TRUE, curve = 0, edge.steps = 50,
             ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x0</code>	A vector of x coordinates for points of origin
<code>y0</code>	A vector of y coordinates for points of origin
<code>x1</code>	A vector of x coordinates for destination points
<code>y1</code>	A vector of y coordinates for destination points
<code>length</code>	Arrowhead length, in current plotting units
<code>angle</code>	Arrowhead angle (in degrees)
<code>width</code>	Width for arrow body, in current plotting units (can be a vector)
<code>col</code>	Arrow body color (can be a vector)
<code>border</code>	Arrow border color (can be a vector)

lty	Arrow border line type (can be a vector)
offset.head	Offset for destination point (can be a vector)
offset.tail	Offset for origin point (can be a vector)
arrowhead	Boolean; should arrowheads be used? (Can be a vector)
curve	Degree of edge curvature (if any), in current plotting units (can be a vector)
edge.steps	For curved edges, the number of steps to use in approximating the curve (can be a vector)
...	Additional arguments to <code>polygon</code>

Details

`network.arrow` provides a useful extension of `segments` and `arrows` when fine control is needed over the resulting display. (The results also look better.) Note that edge curvature is quadratic, with `curve` providing the maximum horizontal deviation of the edge (left-handed). Head/tail offsets are used to adjust the end/start points of an edge, relative to the baseline coordinates; these are useful for functions like `plot.network`, which need to draw edges incident to vertices of varying radii.

Value

None.

Note

`network.arrow` is a direct adaptation of `gplot.arrow` from the `sna` package.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`plot.network`, `network.loop`, `polygon`

Examples

```
#Plot two points
plot(1:2,1:2)

#Add an edge
network.arrow(1,1,2,2,width=0.01,col="red",border="black")
```

network.density *Compute the Density of a Network*

Description

network.density computes the density of its argument.

Usage

```
network.density(x, na.omit=TRUE, discount.bipartite=FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class network
na.omit	logical; omit missing edges from extant edges when assessing density?
discount.bipartite	logical; if x is bipartite, should “forbidden” edges be excluded from the count of potential edges?

Details

The density of a network is defined as the ratio of extant edges to potential edges. We do not currently consider edge values; missing edges are omitted from extent (but not potential) edge count when `na.omit==TRUE`.

Value

The network density.

Warning

network.density relies on network attributes (see [network.indicators](#)) to determine the properties of the underlying network object. If these are set incorrectly (e.g., multiple edges in a non-multiplex network, network coded with directed edges but set to “undirected”, etc.), surprising results may ensue.

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References

- Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>
- Wasserman, S. and Faust, K. (1994). *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

See Also

[network.edgcount](#), [network.size](#)

Examples

```
#Create an arbitrary adjacency matrix
m<-matrix(rbinom(25,1,0.5),5,5)
diag(m)<-0

g<-network.initialize(5)    #Initialize the network
network.density(g)         #Calculate the density
```

`network.dyadcount` *Return the Number of (Possibly Directed) Dyads in a Network Object*

Description

`network.dyadcount` returns the number of dyads within a network, removing those flagged as missing if desired. If the network is directed, directed dyads are counted accordingly.

Usage

```
network.dyadcount(x, na.omit = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`x` an object of class `network`
`na.omit` logical; omit edges with `na==TRUE` from the count?

Details

The return value `network.dyadcount` is equal to the number of dyads, minus the number of NULL edges (and missing edges, if `na.omit==TRUE`). If `x` is directed, the number of directed dyads is returned.

Value

The number of dyads in the network

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[get.network.attribute](#), [network.edgcount](#), [is.directed](#)

Examples

```
#Create a directed network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)
network.dyadcount(g)==6           #Verify the directed dyad count
g<-network(m|t(m),directed=FALSE)
network.dyadcount(g)==3           #nC2 in undirected case
```

`network.edgcount` *Return the Number of Edges in a Network Object*

Description

`network.edgcount` returns the number of edges within a network, removing those flagged as missing if desired.

Usage

```
network.edgcount(x, na.omit = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`x` an object of class `network`
`na.omit` logical; omit edges with `na==TRUE` from the count?

Details

The return value `network.edgcount` is equal to `x%n%"mnext"-1`, minus the number of NULL edges (and missing edges, if `na.omit==TRUE`). Note that `g%n%"mnext"-1` cannot, by itself, be counted upon to be an accurate count of the number of edges!

Value

The number of edges

Warning

`network.edgcount` uses the real state of the network object to count edges, not the state it hypothetically should have. Thus, if you add extra edges to a non-multiplex network, directed edges to an undirected network, etc., the actual number of edges in the object will be returned (and not the number you would expect if you relied only on the putative number of possible edges as reflected by the [network.indicators](#)). Don't create `network` objects with contradictory attributes unless you know what you are doing.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[get.network.attribute](#)

Examples

```
#Create a network with three edges
m<-matrix(0,3,3)
m[1,2]<-1; m[2,3]<-1; m[3,1]<-1
g<-network(m)
network.edgcount(g)==3 #Verify the edgcount
```

network.extraction *Extraction and Replacement Operators for Network Objects*

Description

Various operators which allow extraction or replacement of various components of a network object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':
x[i, j, na.omit = FALSE]
## S3 replacement method for class 'network':
x[i, j, names.eval=NULL, add.edges=FALSE] <- value
x %e% attrname
x %e% attrname <- value
x %eattr% attrname
x %eattr% attrname <- value

x %n% attrname
x %n% attrname <- value
x %nattr% attrname
x %nattr% attrname <- value

x %v% attrname
x %v% attrname <- value
x %vattrib% attrname
x %vattrib% attrname <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code> .
<code>i, j</code>	indices of the vertices with respect to which adjacency is to be tested. Empty values indicate that all vertices should be employed (see below).
<code>na.omit</code>	logical; should missing edges be omitted (treated as no-adjacency), or should NAs be returned? (Default: return NA on missing.)
<code>names.eval</code>	optionally, the name of an edge attribute to use for assigning edge values.
<code>add.edges</code>	logical; should new edges be added to <code>x</code> where edges are absent and the appropriate element of <code>value</code> is non-zero?
<code>value</code>	the value (or set thereof) to be assigned to the selected element of <code>x</code> .
<code>attrname</code>	the name of a network or vertex attribute (as appropriate).

Details

Indexing for edge extraction operates in a manner analogous to `matrix` objects. Thus, `x[,]` selects all vertex pairs, `x[1, -5]` selects the pairing of vertex 1 with all vertices except for 5, etc. Following this, it is acceptable for `i` and/or `j` to be logical vectors indicating which vertices are to be included. During assignment, an attempt is made to match the elements of `value` to the extracted pairs in an intelligent way; in particular, elements of `value` will be replicated if too few are supplied (allowing expressions like `x[1,]<-1`). Where `names.eval==NULL`, zero and non-zero values are taken to indicate the presence of absence of edges. `x[2, 4]<-6` thus adds a single (2,4) edge to `x`, and `x[2, 4]<-0` removes such an edge (if present). If `x` is multiplex, assigning 0 to a vertex pair will eliminate *all* edges on that pair. Pairs are taken to be directed where `is.directed(x)==TRUE`, and undirected where `is.directed(x)==FALSE`.

If an edge attribute is specified using `names.eval`, then the provided values will be assigned to that attribute. When assigning values, only extant edges are employed (unless `add.edges==TRUE`); in the latter case, any non-zero assignment results in the addition of an edge where currently absent. If the attribute specified is not present on a given edge, it is added. Otherwise, any existing value is overwritten. The `%e%` operator can also be used to extract/assign edge values; in those roles, it is respectively equivalent to `get.edge.value(x, attrname)` and `set.edge.value(x, attrname=attrname, value)`.

The `%n%` and `%v%` operators serve as front-ends to the network and vertex extraction/assignment functions (respectively). In the extraction case, `x %n% attrname` is equivalent to `get.network.attribute(x, attrname)` with `x %v% attrname` corresponding to `get.vertex.attribute(x, attrname)`. In assignment, the respective equivalences are to `set.network.attribute(x, attrname, value)` and `set.vertex.attribute(x, attrname, value)`.

The `%eattr%`, `%nattr%`, and `%vattr%` operators are equivalent to `%e%`, `%n%`, and `%v%` (respectively). The short forms are more succinct, but may produce less readable code.

Value

The extracted data, or none.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[is.adjacent](#), [as.sociomatrix](#), [attribute.methods](#), [add.edges](#), [network.operators](#)

Examples

```
#Create a random graph (inefficiently)
g<-network.initialize(10)
g[,]<-matrix(rbinom(100,1,0.1),10,10)
plot(g)

#Demonstrate edge addition/deletion
g[,]<-0
g[1,]<-1
g[2:3,6:7]<-1
g[,]

#Set edge values
g[, ,names.eval="boo"]<-5
as.sociomatrix(g,"boo")
g %e% "hoo" <- "wah"
g %e% "hoo"

#Set/retrieve network and vertex attributes
g %n% "blah" <- "Pork!"           #The other white meat?
g %n% "blah" == "Pork!"          #TRUE!
g %v% "foo" <- letters[10:1]     #Letter the vertices
g %v% "foo" == letters[10:1]    #All TRUE
```

network.indicators *Indicator Functions for Network Properties*

Description

Various indicators for properties of network class objects.

Usage

```
has.loops(x)
is.bipartite(x)
is.directed(x)
is.hyper(x)
is.multiplex(x)
```

Arguments

`x` an object of class `network`

Details

These methods are the standard means of assessing the state of a `network` object; other methods can (and should) use these routines in governing their own behavior. As such, improper setting of the associated attributes may result in unpleasantly creative results. (See the `edge.check` argument to `add.edges` for an example of code which makes use of these network properties.)

The functions themselves behave as follows:

`has.loops` returns TRUE iff `x` is allowed to contain loops (or loop-like edges, in the hypergraphic case).

`is.bipartite` returns TRUE iff the `x` has been explicitly bipartite-coded. (Note that `is.bipartite` refers only to the storage properties of `x`; `is.bipartite(x) == FALSE` it does *not* mean that `x` cannot admit a bipartition!)

`is.directed` returns TRUE iff the edges of `x` are to be interpreted as directed.

`is.hyper` returns TRUE iff `x` is allowed to contain hypergraphic edges.

`is.multiplex` returns TRUE iff `x` is allowed to contain multiplex edges.

Value

TRUE or FALSE

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network`, `get.network.attribute`, `set.network.attribute`, `add.edges`

Examples

```
g<-network.initialize(5)      #Initialize the network
is.bipartite(g)
is.directed(g)
is.hyper(g)
is.multiplex(g)
has.loops(g)
```

network.initialize *Initialize a Network Class Object*

Description

Create and initialize a `network` object with `n` vertices.

Usage

```
network.initialize(n, directed = TRUE, hyper = FALSE, loops = FALSE,  
  multiple = FALSE, bipartite = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>n</code>	the number of vertices to initialize
<code>directed</code>	logical; should edges be interpreted as directed?
<code>hyper</code>	logical; are hyperedges allowed?
<code>loops</code>	logical; should loops be allowed?
<code>multiple</code>	logical; are multiplex edges allowed?
<code>bipartite</code>	count; should the network be interpreted as bipartite? If present (i.e., non-NULL) it is the count of the number of actors in the bipartite network. In this case, the number of nodes is equal to the number of actors plus the number of events (with all actors preceding all events). The edges are then interpreted as nondirected.

Details

Generally, `network.initialize` is called by other constructor functions as part of the process of creating a network.

Value

An object of class `network`

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[network](#), [as.network.matrix](#)

Examples

```
g<-network.initialize(5) #Create an empty graph on 5 vertices
```

```
network.layout      Vertex Layout Functions for plot.network
```

Description

Various functions which generate vertex layouts for the `plot.network` visualization routine.

Usage

```
network.layout.circle(d, layout.par)
network.layout.fruchtermanreingold(d, layout.par)
network.layout.kamadakawai(d, layout.par)
```

Arguments

`d` an adjacency matrix, as passed by `plot.network`.
`layout.par` a list of parameters.

Details

Vertex layouts for network visualization pose a difficult problem – there is no single, “good” layout algorithm, and many different approaches may be valuable under different circumstances. With this in mind, `plot.network` allows for the use of arbitrary vertex layout algorithms via the `network.layout.*` family of routines. When called, `plot.network` searches for a `network.layout` function whose fourth name matches its `mode` argument (see `plot.network` help for more information); this function is then used to generate the layout for the resulting plot. In addition to the routines documented here, users may add their own layout functions as needed. The requirements for a `network.layout` function are as follows:

1. the first argument, `d`, must be the (dichotomous) graph adjacency matrix;
2. the second argument, `layout.par`, must be a list of parameters (or `NULL`, if no parameters are specified); and
3. the return value must be a real matrix of dimension $c(2, NROW(d))$, whose rows contain the vertex coordinates.

Other than this, anything goes. (In particular, note that `layout.par` could be used to pass additional matrices, if needed.)

The `network.layout` functions currently supplied by default are as follows:

circle This function places vertices uniformly in a circle; it takes no arguments.

fruchtermanreingold This function generates a layout using a variant of Fruchterman and Reingold’s force-directed placement algorithm. It takes the following arguments:

layout.par\$niter This argument controls the number of iterations to be employed. (Defaults to 500.)

layout.par\$max.delta Sets the maximum change in position for any given iteration. (Defaults to $NROW(d)$.)

layout.par\$area Sets the "area" parameter for the F-R algorithm. (Defaults to $NROW(d)^2$.)

layout.par\$cool.exp Sets the cooling exponent for the annealer. (Defaults to 3.)

layout.par\$repulse.rad Determines the radius at which vertex-vertex repulsion cancels out attraction of adjacent vertices. (Defaults to $area * NROW(d)$.)

layout.par\$seed.coord A two-column matrix of initial vertex coordinates. (Defaults to a random circular layout.)

kamadakawai This function generates a vertex layout using a version of the Kamada-Kawai force-directed placement algorithm. It takes the following arguments:

layout.par\$niter This argument controls the number of iterations to be employed. (Defaults to 1000.)

layout.par\$sigma Sets the base standard deviation of position change proposals. (Defaults to $NROW(d) / 4$.)

layout.par\$initemp Sets the initial "temperature" for the annealing algorithm. (Defaults to 10.)

layout.par\$cool.exp Sets the cooling exponent for the annealer. (Defaults to 0.99.)

layout.par\$kkconst Sets the Kamada-Kawai vertex attraction constant. (Defaults to $NROW(d)^2$.)

layout.par\$elen Provides the matrix of interpoint distances to be approximated. (Defaults to the geodesic distances of d after symmetrizing, capped at $\sqrt{NROW(d)}$.)

layout.par\$seed.coord A two-column matrix of initial vertex coordinates. (Defaults to a gaussian layout.)

Value

A matrix whose rows contain the x,y coordinates of the vertices of d .

Note

The `network.layout` routines shown here are adapted directly from the `gplot.layout` routines of the `sna` package.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

Fruchterman, T.M.J. and Reingold, E.M. (1991). "Graph Drawing by Force-directed Placement." *Software - Practice and Experience*, 21(11):1129-1164.

Kamada, T. and Kawai, S. (1989). "An Algorithm for Drawing General Undirected Graphs." *Information Processing Letters*, 31(1):7-15.

See Also[plot.network](#)

network.loop	<i>Add Loops to a Plot</i>
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Description

network.loop draws a "loop" at a specified location; this is used to designate self-ties in [plot.network](#).

Usage

```
network.loop(x0, y0, length = 0.1, angle = 10, width = 0.01,
             col = 1, border = 1, lty = 1, offset = 0, edge.steps = 10,
             radius = 1, arrowhead = TRUE, xctr=0, yctr=0, ...)
```

Arguments

x0	a vector of x coordinates for points of origin.
y0	a vector of y coordinates for points of origin.
length	arrowhead length, in current plotting units.
angle	arrowhead angle (in degrees).
width	width for loop body, in current plotting units (can be a vector).
col	loop body color (can be a vector).
border	loop border color (can be a vector).
lty	loop border line type (can be a vector).
offset	offset for origin point (can be a vector).
edge.steps	number of steps to use in approximating curves.
radius	loop radius (can be a vector).
arrowhead	boolean; should arrowheads be used? (Can be a vector.)
xctr	x coordinate for the central location away from which loops should be oriented.
yctr	y coordinate for the central location away from which loops should be oriented.
...	additional arguments to polygon .

Details

network.loop is the companion to [network.arrow](#); like the latter, plot elements produced by network.loop are drawn using [polygon](#), and as such are scaled based on the current plotting device. By default, loops are drawn so as to encompass a circular region of radius radius, whose center is offset units from x0, y0 and at maximum distance from xctr, yctr. This is useful for functions like [plot.network](#), which need to draw loops incident to vertices of varying radii.

Value

None.

Note

`network.loop` is a direct adaptation of `gplot.loop`, from the `sna` package.

Author(s)

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See Also

[network.arrow](#), [plot.network](#), [polygon](#)

Examples

```
#Plot a few polygons with loops
plot(0,0,type="n",xlim=c(-2,2),ylim=c(-2,2),asp=1)
network.loop(c(0,0),c(1,-1),col=c(3,2),width=0.05,length=0.4,
  offset=sqrt(2)/4,angle=20,radius=0.5,edge.steps=50,arrowhead=TRUE)
polygon(c(0.25,-0.25,-0.25,0.25,NA,0.25,-0.25,-0.25,0.25),
  c(1.25,1.25,0.75,0.75,NA,-1.25,-1.25,-0.75,-0.75),col=c(2,3))
```

network.operators *Network Operators*

Description

These operators allow for algebraic manipulation of relational structures.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 + e2
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 - e2
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 * e2
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 %c% e2
! e1
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 | e2
## S3 method for class 'network':
e1 & e2
```

Arguments

e1 an object of class `network`.
 e2 another `network`.

Details

A more useful “usage” statement than the above (but prohibited by R’s overzealous documentation restrictions from appearing there) is as follows:

```
x + y
x - y
x * y
x %% y

!x
x | y
x & y
```

In general, the binary network operators currently function by converting their arguments to adjacency matrices, carrying out the specified operation on those matrices, and then returning the result in `network` form. This is rather inefficient, and results in the loss of other attributes; such poor behavior is not guaranteed to be maintained in future versions of the `network` package.

Apart from the above, the specific operations carried out by these operators are mostly self-explanatory. One exception to this is `x %% y`, which returns the network formed from the composition of graphs `x` and `y` (respectively). (Note that this may contain loops, whether or not the original networks allowed them.)

Slightly different behavior is exhibited by the unary operator, `!`, which returns the complement of its argument. The graph which is returned contains all attributes of the original, save for edge attributes (as none of the original edges are retained). Note that the complement of a large, sparse graph has *many* edges, with concomitant memory consumption. When working with such graphs, consider whether some other mechanism (e.g., adjacency checking on the original graph) might prove more efficient.

Value

The resulting graph object.

Note

Currently, there is a naming conflict between the composition operator and the `%%` operator in the `sna` package. This will be resolved in future releases; for the time being, one can determine which version of `%%` is in use by varying which package is loaded first.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

Wasserman, S. and Faust, K. (1994). *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*. Cambridge: University of Cambridge Press.

See Also

[network.extraction](#)

Examples

```
#Create an in-star
m<-matrix(0,6,6)
m[2:6,1]<-1
g<-network(m)
plot(g)

#Compose g with its transpose
gcgt<-g %c% (network(t(m)))
plot(gcgt)
gcgt

#Show the complement of g
!g

#Perform various arithmetic and logical operations
(g+gcgt)[,] == (g|gcgt)[,]           #All TRUE
(g-gcgt)[,] == ((g|gcgt)&!(g&gcgt))[,]
(g*gcgt)[,] == (g&gcgt)[,]
```

network.size	<i>Return the Size of a Network</i>
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Description

network.size returns the order of its argument (i.e., number of vertices).

Usage

```
network.size(x)
```

Arguments

x an object of class network

Details

`network.size(x)` is equivalent to `get.network.attribute(x, "n")`; the function exists as a convenience.

Value

The network size

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[get.network.attribute](#)

Examples

```
#Initialize a network
g<-network.initialize(7)
network.size(g)
```

network.vertex *Add Vertices to a Plot*

Description

`network.vertex` adds one or more vertices (drawn using [polygon](#)) to a plot.

Usage

```
network.vertex(x, y, radius = 1, sides = 4, border = 1, col = 2,
              lty = NULL, rot = 0, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a vector of x coordinates.
<code>y</code>	a vector of y coordinates.
<code>radius</code>	a vector of vertex radii.
<code>sides</code>	a vector containing the number of sides to draw for each vertex.
<code>border</code>	a vector of vertex border colors.
<code>col</code>	a vector of vertex interior colors.

lty	a vector of vertex border line types.
rot	a vector of vertex rotation angles (in degrees).
...	Additional arguments to <code>polygon</code>

Details

`network.vertex` draws regular polygons of specified radius and number of sides, at the given coordinates. This is useful for routines such as `plot.network`, which use such shapes to depict vertices.

Value

None

Note

`network.vertex` is a direct adaptation of `gplot.vertex` from the `sna` package.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`plot.network`, `polygon`

Examples

```
#Open a plot window, and place some vertices
plot(0,0,type="n",xlim=c(-1.5,1.5),ylim=c(-1.5,1.5),asp=1)
network.vertex(cos((1:10)/10*2*pi),sin((1:10)/10*2*pi),col=1:10,
              sides=3:12,radius=0.1)
```

permute.vertexIDs *Permute (Relabel) the Vertices Within a Network*

Description

permute.vertexIDs permutes the vertices within a given network in the specified fashion. Since this occurs internally (at the level of vertex IDs), it is rarely of interest to end-users.

Usage

```
permute.vertexIDs(x, vids)
```

Arguments

`x` an object of class `network`.
`vids` a vector of vertex IDs, in the order to which they are to be permuted.

Details

permute.vertexIDs alters the internal ordering of vertices within a `network`. For most practical applications, this should not be necessary – de facto permutation can be accomplished by altering the appropriate vertex attributes. permute.vertexIDs is needed for certain other routines (such as `delete.vertices`), where it is used in various arcane and ineffable ways.

Value

Invisibly, a pointer to the permuted network. permute.vertexIDs modifies its argument in place.

Author(s)

Carter T. Butts (butts@uci.edu)

References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network`

Examples

```
data(flo) #Load the Florentine Families data
nflo<-network(flo) #Create a network object
n<-network.size(nflo) #Get the number of vertices
permute.vertexIDs(nflo,n:1) #Reverse the vertices
all(flo[n:1,n:1]==as.sociomatrix(nflo)) #Should be TRUE
```

```
plot.network.default
```

Two-Dimensional Visualization for Network Objects

Description

`plot.network` produces a simple two-dimensional plot of network `x`, using optional attribute `attrname` to set edge values. A variety of options are available to control vertex placement, display details, color, etc.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':
plot(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
plot.network(x, attrname = NULL,
  label = network.vertex.names(x), coord = NULL, jitter = TRUE,
  thresh = 0, usearrows = TRUE, mode = "fruchtermanreingold",
  displayisolates = TRUE, interactive = FALSE, xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL, xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL, pad = 0.2, label.pad = 0.5,
  displaylabels = !missing(label), boxed.labels = TRUE, label.pos = 0,
  label.bg = "white", vertex.sides = 8, vertex.rot = 0,
  arrowhead.cex = 1, label.cex = 1, loop.cex = 1, vertex.cex = 1,
  edge.col = 1, label.col = 1, vertex.col = 2, label.border = 1,
  vertex.border = 1, edge.lty = 1, label.lty = NULL, vertex.lty = 1,
  edge.lwd = 0, label.lwd = par("lwd"), edge.len = 0.5,
  edge.curve = 0.1, edge.steps = 50, loop.steps = 20,
  object.scale = 0.01, uselen = FALSE, usecurve = FALSE,
  suppress.axes = TRUE, vertices.last = TRUE, new = TRUE,
  layout.par = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>network</code> .
<code>attrname</code>	an optional edge attribute, to be used to set edge values.
<code>label</code>	a vector of vertex labels, if desired; defaults to the vertex labels returned by <code>network.vertex.names</code> .
<code>coord</code>	user-specified vertex coordinates, in an <code>NCOL(dat)x2</code> matrix. Where this is specified, it will override the <code>mode</code> setting.
<code>jitter</code>	boolean; should the output be jittered?
<code>thresh</code>	real number indicating the lower threshold for tie values. Only ties of value $>$ <code>thresh</code> are displayed. By default, <code>thresh=0</code> .
<code>usearrows</code>	boolean; should arrows (rather than line segments) be used to indicate edges?

mode	the vertex placement algorithm; this must correspond to a <code>network.layout</code> function.
displayisolates	boolean; should isolates be displayed?
interactive	boolean; should interactive adjustment of vertex placement be attempted?
xlab	x axis label.
ylab	y axis label.
xlim	the x limits (min, max) of the plot.
ylim	the y limits of the plot.
pad	amount to pad the plotting range; useful if labels are being clipped.
label.pad	amount to pad label boxes (if <code>boxed.labels==TRUE</code>), in character size units.
displaylabels	boolean; should vertex labels be displayed?
boxed.labels	boolean; place vertex labels within boxes?
label.pos	position at which labels should be placed, relative to vertices. 0 results in labels which are placed away from the center of the plotting region; 1, 2, 3, and 4 result in labels being placed below, to the left of, above, and to the right of vertices (respectively); and <code>label.pos>=5</code> results in labels which are plotted with no offset (i.e., at the vertex positions).
label.bg	background color for label boxes (if <code>boxed.labels==TRUE</code>); may be a vector, if boxes are to be of different colors.
vertex.sides	number of polygon sides for vertices; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertices are to be of different types.
vertex.rot	angle of rotation for vertices (in degrees); may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertices are to be rotated differently.
arrowhead.cex	expansion factor for edge arrowheads.
label.cex	character expansion factor for label text.
loop.cex	expansion factor for loops; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if loops are to be of different sizes.
vertex.cex	expansion factor for vertices; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertices are to be of different sizes.
edge.col	color for edges; may be given as a vector, adjacency matrix, or edge attribute name, if edges are to be of different colors.
label.col	color for vertex labels; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if labels are to be of different colors.
vertex.col	color for vertices; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertices are to be of different colors.
label.border	label border colors (if <code>boxed.labels==TRUE</code>); may be given as a vector, if label boxes are to have different colors.
vertex.border	border color for vertices; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertex borders are to be of different colors.

<code>edge.lty</code>	line type for edge borders; may be given as a vector, adjacency matrix, or edge attribute name, if edge borders are to have different line types.
<code>label.lty</code>	line type for label boxes (if <code>boxed.labels==TRUE</code>); may be given as a vector, if label boxes are to have different line types.
<code>vertex.lty</code>	line type for vertex borders; may be given as a vector or a vertex attribute name, if vertex borders are to have different line types.
<code>edge.lwd</code>	line width scale for edges; if set greater than 0, edge widths are scaled by <code>edge.lwd*dat</code> . May be given as a vector, adjacency matrix, or edge attribute name, if edges are to have different line widths.
<code>label.lwd</code>	line width for label boxes (if <code>boxed.labels==TRUE</code>); may be given as a vector, if label boxes are to have different line widths.
<code>edge.len</code>	if <code>uselen==TRUE</code> , curved edge lengths are scaled by <code>edge.len</code> .
<code>edge.curve</code>	if <code>usecurve==TRUE</code> , the extent of edge curvature is controlled by <code>edge.curve</code> . May be given as a fixed value, vector, adjacency matrix, or edge attribute name, if edges are to have different levels of curvature.
<code>edge.steps</code>	for curved edges (excluding loops), the number of line segments to use for the curve approximation.
<code>loop.steps</code>	for loops, the number of line segments to use for the curve approximation.
<code>object.scale</code>	base length for plotting objects, as a fraction of the linear scale of the plotting region. Defaults to 0.01.
<code>uselen</code>	boolean; should we use <code>edge.len</code> to rescale edge lengths?
<code>usecurve</code>	boolean; should we use <code>edge.curve</code> ?
<code>suppress.axes</code>	boolean; suppress plotting of axes?
<code>vertices.last</code>	boolean; plot vertices after plotting edges?
<code>new</code>	boolean; create a new plot? If <code>new==FALSE</code> , vertices and edges will be added to the existing plot.
<code>layout.par</code>	parameters to the <code>network.layout</code> function specified in <code>mode</code> .
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to <code>plot</code> .

Details

`plot.network` is the standard visualization tool for the `network` class. By means of clever selection of display parameters, a fair amount of display flexibility can be obtained. Vertex layout – if not specified directly using `coord` – is determined via one of the various available algorithms. These should be specified via the `mode` argument; see `network.layout` for a full list. User-supplied layout functions are also possible – see the aforementioned man page for details.

Note that where `is.hyper(x)==TRUE`, the network is converted to bipartite adjacency form prior to computing coordinates. If `interactive==TRUE`, then the user may modify the initial network layout by selecting an individual vertex and then clicking on the location to which this vertex is to be moved; this process may be repeated until the layout is satisfactory.

Value

A two-column matrix containing the vertex positions as x,y coordinates

Note

plot.network is adapted (with minor modifications) from the `gplot` function of the `sna` library (authors: Carter T. Butts and Alex Montgomery); eventually, these two packages will be integrated.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

Wasserman, S., and Faust, K. (1994). *Social Network Analysis: Methods and Applications*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

See Also

`network`, `network.arrow`, `network.loop`, `network.vertex`

Examples

```
#Construct a sparse graph
m<-matrix(rbinom(100,1,1.5/9),10)
diag(m)<-0
g<-network(m)

#Plot the graph
plot(g)

#Load Padgett's marriage data
data(flo)
nflo<-network(flo)
#Display the network, indicating degree and flagging the Medicis
plot(nflo, vertex.cex=apply(flo,2,sum)+1, usearrows=FALSE,
      vertex.sides=3+apply(flo,2,sum),
      vertex.col=2+(network.vertex.names(nflo)=="Medici"))
```

`prod.network`*Combine Networks by Edge Value Multiplication*

Description

Given a series of networks, `prod.network` attempts to form a new network by multiplication of edges. If a non-null `attrname` is given, the corresponding edge attribute is used to determine and store edge values.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':  
prod(..., attrname = NULL, na.rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>...</code>	one or more network objects.
<code>attrname</code>	the name of an edge attribute to use when assessing edge values, if desired.
<code>na.rm</code>	logical; should edges with missing data be ignored?

Details

The network product method attempts to combine its arguments by edgewise multiplication (*not* composition) of their respective adjacency matrices; thus, this method is only applicable for networks whose adjacency coercion is well-behaved. Multiplication is effectively boolean unless `attrname` is specified, in which case this is used to assess edge values – net values of 0 will result in removal of the underlying edge.

Other network attributes in the return value are carried over from the first element in the list, so some persistence is possible (unlike the multiplication operator). Note that it is sometimes possible to “multiply” networks and raw adjacency matrices using this routine (if all dimensions are correct), but more exotic combinations may result in regrettably exciting behavior.

Value

A `network` object.

Author(s)

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[network.operators](#)

Examples

```
#Create some networks
g<-network.initialize(5)
h<-network.initialize(5)
i<-network.initialize(5)
g[1:3,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-1
h[1:2,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-2
i[1,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-3

#Combine by addition
pouch<-prod(g,h,i,attrname="marsupial")
pouch[,,] #Edge values in the pouch?
as.sociomatrix(pouch,attrname="marsupial") #Recover the marsupial
```

read.paj	<i>Read a Pajek Project or Network File and Convert to an R 'Network' Object</i>
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Description

Return a (list of) `network` object(s) after reading a corresponding `.net` or `.paj` file. The code accepts ragged array edgelist, but cannot currently handle 2-mode, multirelational (e.g. KEDS), or networks with entries for both edges and arcs (e.g. GD-a99m). Also, this archive currently only contains networks under 10,000 nodes. See `network`, `statnet`, or `sna` for more information.

Usage

```
read.paj(file, verbose = FALSE, debug = FALSE, edge.name = NULL,
         simplify = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>file</code>	the name of the file whence the data are to be read. If it does not contain an absolute path, the file name is relative to the current working directory (as returned by <code>getwd</code>). <code>file</code> can also be a complete URL.
<code>verbose</code>	logical: Should longer descriptions of the reading and coercion process be printed out?
<code>debug</code>	logical: Should very detailed descriptions of the reading and coercion process be printed out? This is typically used to debug the reading of files that are corrupted on coercion.
<code>edge.name</code>	optional name for the edge variable read from the file. The default is to use the value in the project file.

`simplify` Should the returned network be simplified as much as possible and saved? The value specifies the name of the file which the data are to be stored. If it does not contain an absolute path, the file name is relative to the current working directory (see `getwd`). If `specify` is TRUE the file name is the name `file`.

Value

`read.paj` returns a 'network' object (for .net input) or a list of networks (for .paj input). Additional information in the .paj file (like partition information) is attached to the network objects in another higher order list.

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See Also

[statnet](#), [network](#), [networkdata](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
require(network)

par(mfrow=c(2,2))

test.net.1 <- read.paj("http://vlado.fmf.uni-lj.si/pub/networks/data/GD/gd98/A98.net")
plot(test.net.1,main=test.net.1$gal$title)

test.net.2 <- read.paj("http://vlado.fmf.uni-lj.si/pub/networks/data/mix/USAir97.net")
plot(test.net.2,main=test.net.2$gal$title)
## End(Not run)
```

sum.network

Combine Networks by Edge Value Addition

Description

Given a series of networks, `sum.network` attempts to form a new network by accumulation of edges. If a non-null `attrname` is given, the corresponding edge attribute is used to determine and store edge values.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'network':
sum(..., attrname = NULL, na.rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

... one or more network objects.
 attrname the name of an edge attribute to use when assessing edge values, if desired.
 na.rm logical; should edges with missing data be ignored?

Details

The network summation method attempts to combine its arguments by addition of their respective adjacency matrices; thus, this method is only applicable for networks whose adjacency coercion is well-behaved. Addition is effectively boolean unless `attrname` is specified, in which case this is used to assess edge values – net values of 0 will result in removal of the underlying edge.

Other network attributes in the return value are carried over from the first element in the list, so some persistence is possible (unlike the addition operator). Note that it is sometimes possible to “add” networks and raw adjacency matrices using this routine (if all dimensions are correct), but more exotic combinations may result in regrettably exciting behavior.

Value

A `network` object.

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). “network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R.” *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

`network.operators`

Examples

```
#Create some networks
g<-network.initialize(5)
h<-network.initialize(5)
i<-network.initialize(5)
g[1,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-1
h[1:2,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-2
i[1:3,,names.eval="marsupial",add.edges=TRUE]<-3

#Combine by addition
pouch<-sum(g,h,i,attrname="marsupial")
pouch[,] #Edge values in the pouch?
as.sociomatrix(pouch,attrname="marsupial") #Recover the marsupial
```

which.matrix.type *Heuristic Determination of Matrix Types for Network Storage*

Description

which.matrix.type attempts to choose an appropriate matrix expression for a network object, or (if its argument is a matrix) attempts to determine whether the matrix is of type adjacency, incidence, or edgelist.

Usage

```
which.matrix.type(x)
```

Arguments

x a matrix, or an object of class network

Details

The heuristics used to determine matrix types are fairly arbitrary, and should be avoided where possible. This function is intended to provide a modestly intelligent fallback option when explicit identification by the user is not possible.

Value

One of "adjacency", "incidence", or "edgelist"

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References

Butts, C. T. (2008). "network: a Package for Managing Relational Data in R." *Journal of Statistical Software*, 24(2). <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v24/i02/>

See Also

[as.matrix.network](#), [as.network.matrix](#)

Examples

```
#Create an arbitrary adjacency matrix
m<-matrix(rbinom(25,1,0.5),5,5)
diag(m)<-0

#Can we guess the type?
which.matrix.type(m)
```

```
#Try the same thing with a network
g<-network(m)
which.matrix.type(g)
which.matrix.type(as.matrix.network(g,matrix.type="incidence"))
which.matrix.type(as.matrix.network(g,matrix.type="edgelist"))
```

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