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aaties32	<i>32 sets of randomly created alter-alter ties belonging to ego-centered networks</i>
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Description

32 sets of randomly created alter-alter ties belonging to ego-centered networks

Usage

```
aaties32
```

Format

A data frame with 32 sets of alter-alter relations and 4 variables:

.EGOID ego identifier
.SRCID source alter ID
.TGTID target alter ID
weight weight of relation

activate.egor	<i>Activate ego, alter or alter-alter tie data llevel of an egor dataset</i>
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Description

This function activates one of the data levels of an egor dataset, so that the dplyr verbs know which level to execute on.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'
activate(.data, what)
```

Arguments

.data	The egor dataset.
what	Character naming the level to activate, this can be "ego", "alter" or "aatie".

Examples

```
e <- make_egor(5,50)
e %>%
  activate("aatie") %>%
  mutate(weight2 = 2 + weight) %>%
  activate("alter") %>%
  mutate(age.years = age.years^3)
```

allbus_2010_simulated *Simulated Allbus 2010 Data*

Description

A dataset simulated based on the the original Allbus 2010 SPSS data. The dataset simulates 100 respondents and does not resemble any actual Allbus respondents. Each variable is randomly generated based on the range of the original variables, co-variances between variables are disregarded. The data's purpose is purely to demonstrate how to technically work with the Allbus data using egor and R - no analytical assumptions should be made based on this data!

Usage

allbus_2010_simulated

Format

A tibble/ data.frame of 100 simulated respondents/ rows and 981 variables/ columns. Each variable is a labelled dbl.

Details

The dataset contains (simulated!) answers two ego-centered name generators.

alters32 *32 sets of randomly created alters belonging to ego-centered networks*

Description

32 sets of randomly created alters belonging to ego-centered networks

Usage

alters32

Format

A data frame with 32 sets of up to 32 alters per egoID and 7 variables:

.ALTID alter identifier

.EGOID ego identifier

age age in categories

age.years age in years

country country

income income

sex gender

alter_design	<i>Set and query the alter nomination design</i>
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Description

Extract, set, or update the alter nomination design associated with an ego-centered dataset.

Usage

```
alter_design(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
alter_design(x, which, ...)

alter_design(x, ...) <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'egor'
alter_design(x, which, ...) <- value
```

Arguments

x	an egor object.
...	arguments to be passed to methods
which	name of the alter design setting to query or replace
value	if which is specified, the new value of the attribute; if not, a named list of settings that replace their old values.

alts_diversity_count	<i>Calculate diversity measures on an egor object.</i>
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Description

alts_diversity_count() counts the categories of a variable present in the networks of an egor object. alts_diversity_entropy() calculates the Shannon entropy as a measurement for diversity of an alter attribute.

Usage

```
alts_diversity_count(object, alt.attr)

alts_diversity_entropy(object, alt.attr, base = 2)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
alt.attr	A character naming the variable containing the alter-attribute.
base	Numeric, base value of logarithm for entropy calculation.

Value

A tibble with the ego ID and a numeric result vector.

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Examples

```
data("ego32")
alts_diversity_count(ego32, "age")
alts_diversity_entropy(ego32, "age")
```

append_ego

Append rows/columns to ego, alter or aatie data

Description

These work like dplyr's bind_cols() and bind_rows(). The first argument has to be an egor object. Additional rows/columns are added bottom/RHS of the active data level (ego, alter, aatie).

Usage

```
append_rows(.ego, ..., .id = NULL)
append_cols(.ego, ...)
```

Arguments

.ego	An egor object.
...	Data frames to combine.
.id	Data frame identifier.

Value

ego object containing the additional rows/ columns on the active level.

Examples

```
e <- make_ego(12, 15)

# Adding a column to the ego level
additional_ego_columns <-
  tibble(x = sample(1:3, 12, replace = TRUE))

append_cols(e, additional_ego_columns)

# Adding rows to the ego and alter level
additional_ego_rows <-
  list(
    .egoID = 13,
    sex = "w",
    age = factor("56 - 65"),
    age.years = 60,
    country = "Australia"
  ) %>%
  as_tibble()

additional_alter_rows <-
  list(
    .altID = 1:5,
    .egoID = rep(13, 5),
    sex = sample(c("f", "m"), 5, replace = TRUE)
  ) %>%
  as_tibble()

append_rows(e, additional_ego_rows) %>%
  activate(alter) %>%
  append_rows(additional_alter_rows)
```

as_alters_df

Create global alters and alter-alter relations dataframes from an ego object

Description

Provided an ego-object, these functions create a 'global' data.frame, containing alter attributes, or alter-alter relations. The resulting dataframes are useful for advanced analysis procedures, e.g. multi-level regressions.

Usage

```
as_alters_df(object, include.ego.vars = FALSE)
```

```
as_aaties_df(object, include.ego.vars = FALSE, include.alter.vars = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`object` An egor object. a new variable with the specified name is created.

`include.ego.vars` Logical, specifying if ego variables should be included in the result.

`include.alter.vars` Logical, specifying if alter variables should be included in the result.

Details

These functions are convenience functions for egor's `as_tibble` method.

Value

A tibble.

Examples

```
# Load example data
data(egor32)

# Create global alters dataframes
as_alters_df(egor32)

# Create global alter-alter relations dataframes
as_aaties_df(egor32)

# ... adding alter variables
as_aaties_df(egor32, include.alter.vars = TRUE)
```

as_igraph

Convert egor object to network or igraph objects

Description

These functions convert an egor object into a list of network or igraph objects. By default ego itself is not included in the created objects, there is a parameter (**include.ego**) that allows for including ego.

Usage

```
as_igraph(
  x,
  directed = FALSE,
  include.ego = FALSE,
  ego.attrs = NULL,
  ego.alter.weights = NULL,
  graph.attrs = ".egoID"
```

```
)

## S3 method for class 'nested_egor'
as_igraph(
  x,
  directed = FALSE,
  include.ego = FALSE,
  ego.attrs = NULL,
  ego.alter.weights = NULL,
  graph.attrs = ".egoID"
)

as.igraph.egor(
  x,
  directed = FALSE,
  include.ego = FALSE,
  ego.attrs = NULL,
  ego.alter.weights = NULL,
  graph.attrs = ".egoID"
)

as_network(
  x,
  directed = FALSE,
  include.ego = FALSE,
  ego.attrs = NULL,
  ego.alter.weights = NULL,
  graph.attrs = ".egoID"
)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
as.network(
  x,
  directed = FALSE,
  include.ego = FALSE,
  ego.attrs = NULL,
  ego.alter.weights = NULL,
  graph.attrs = ".egoID"
)
```

Arguments

x	An egor object.
directed	Logical, indicating if alter-alter relations are directed.
include.ego	Logical. Should ego be included?
ego.attrs	Vector of names (character) or indices (numeric) of ego variables that should be carried over to the network/ igraph objects. This is ignored, when include.ego = FALSE (default).

<code>ego.alter.weights</code>	Vector of names (character) or indices (numeric) of alter variables that should be carried over to the the network/ igraph objects, as edge attributes of the ego-alter relations. This is ignored, when <code>'include.ego = FALSE'</code> (default).
<code>graph.attrs</code>	Vector of names (character) or indices (numeric) of ego variables that are supposed to be carried over to the igraph object as graph attributes or the network object as network attributes. By default <code>.egoID</code> is carried over.

Details

The names of the variables specified in `ego.attr` and `ego.alter.attr` need to be the same as the names of corresponding alter attributes, in order for those variables to be merged successfully in the resulting network/ igraph object (see example).

Examples

```
e <- make_ego(3, 22)
as_igraph(e)
```

<code>clustered_graphs</code>	<i>Cluster ego-centered networks by a grouping factor</i>
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Description

The idea of clustered graphs is to reduce the complexity of an ego-centered network graph by visualizing alters in clusters defined by a categorical variable (Lerner et al. 2008). `clustered_graphs()` calculates group sizes, inter and intra group tie densities and returns these informations in a list of igraph objects.

Usage

```
clustered_graphs(object, ..., clust.groups)

## S3 method for class 'list'
clustered_graphs(object, aaties, clust.groups, ...)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
clustered_graphs(object, clust.groups, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
clustered_graphs(object, aaties, clust.groups, egoID = ".egoID", ...)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
...	arguments to be passed to methods
clust.groups	A character naming the factor variable defining the groups.
aaties	data.frame/ list containg alter-alter relations as a 'global edge list' or as a list of 'edge lists'. (not needed if object is an egor object).
egoID	Character. Name of the variable identifying egos (default: "egoID").

Value

clustered_graphs returns a list of graph objects representing the clustered ego-centered network data;

References

Brandes, U., Lerner, J., Lubbers, M. J., McCarty, C., & Molina, J. L. (2008). Visual Statistics for Collections of Clustered Graphs. 2008 IEEE Pacific Visualization Symposium, 47-54.

See Also

[vis_clustered_graphs](#) for visualizing clustered graphs

Examples

```
data("egor32")

# Simplify networks to clustered graphs, stored as igraph objects
graphs <- clustered_graphs(egor32, "country")

# Visualise
par(mfrow = c(2,3))
vis_clustered_graphs(
  graphs[1:5]
)
par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```

composition

Calculate the composition of alter attributes in an egor object

Description

composition() calculates the proportional or absolute composition of alters for a given attribute/variable.

Usage

```
composition(object, alt.attr, absolute = FALSE)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
alt.attr	A character naming the variable containing the alter-attribute.
absolute	Logical indicating if the results should be absolute.

Value

A tibble with the ego ID and values per category of `alt.attr` as numeric columns.

Examples

```
data("egor32")
composition(egor32, "sex")
```

comp_ei	<i>Calculate the EI-Indices of an egor object as a measurement of ego-alter homophily</i>
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Description

`comp_ei()` calculates the EI-Index values as a measurement for ego-alter homo-/heterophily.

Usage

```
comp_ei(object, alt.attr, ego.attr)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
alt.attr	A character naming the variable containing the alter-attribute.
ego.attr	A character naming an ego attribute.

Value

A tibble with the ego ID and a numeric result vector.

Examples

```
data("egor32")
comp_ei(egor32, "age", "age")
```

comp_ply	<i>Calculate custom compositional measures on an egor object</i>
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Description

comp_ply() applies a function, that uses an alter attribute to calculate a compositional measurement, on all networks in an egor object and returns a numeric vector.

Usage

```
comp_ply(object, alt.attr, .f, ..., ego.attr = NULL)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
alt.attr	A character naming the variable containing the alter-attribute.
.f	A function that returns a numeric.
...	Optional arguments to .f.
ego.attr	Optional character naming an ego attribute.

Details

When an ego attribute is used the .f is called like this: .f(alt.attr,ego.attr,...). .f must return a single numeric value.

Value

A tibble with the ego ID and a numeric result vector.

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Examples

```
df <- make_ego(10, 32)
comp_ply(df, "age.years", sd, na.rm = TRUE)
```

`count_dyads`*Count attribute combinations of dyads in ego-centered networks*

Description

`count_dyads()` counts the attribute combinations of alter-alter ties/ dyads in ego-centered networks. The results can be returned as a wide or long tibble/ data.frame.

Usage

```
count_dyads(  
  object,  
  alter_var_name,  
  return_as = c("wide", "long"),  
  prefix = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An egor object.
<code>alter_var_name</code>	Character, naming the alter variable to use as attribute.
<code>return_as</code>	Character, either "wide" (default) or "long".
<code>prefix</code>	Character, added in front of variables. Only used if <code>return_as</code> is "wide". If NULL (default) prefix is automatically generated.

Value

Wide or long tibble/ data.frame.

Examples

```
data(egor32)  
count_dyads(object = egor32,  
            alter_var_name = "country")  
  
# Return result as long tibble.  
count_dyads(object = egor32,  
            alter_var_name = "country",  
            return_as = "long")
```

 egor

egor - a data class for ego-centered network data.

Description

The function `egor()` is used to create an egor object from ego-centered network data.

Usage

```
egor(
  alters,
  egos = NULL,
  aaties = NULL,
  ID.vars = list(ego = "egoID", alter = "alterID", source = "Source", target =
    "Target"),
  ego_design = NULL,
  alter_design = list(max = Inf)
)

as.egor(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'nested_egor'
as.egor(
  x,
  ID.vars = list(ego = ".egoID", alter = ".alterID", source = ".Source", target =
    ".Target"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>alters</code>	either a <code>data.frame</code> containing the alters (whose nominator is identified by the column specified by <code>egoID</code> or a list of data frames with the same columns, one for each ego, with empty data frames or <code>NULL</code> s corresponding to egos with no nominees).
<code>egos</code>	<code>data.frame</code> containing the egos.
<code>aaties</code>	<code>data.frame</code> containing the alter-alter relations in the style of an edge list, or a list of data frames similar to <code>alters.df</code> .
<code>ID.vars</code>	A named list containing column names of the relevant input columns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <code>ego</code> unique identifier associated with each ego, defaulting to <code>"egoID"</code>; has no effect if <code>alters.df</code> and <code>aaties.df</code> are both lists of data frames. <code>alter</code> unique-within-ego identifier associated with each alter, defaulting to <code>"alterID"</code>; optional <code>aaties.df</code> are not provided. <code>source</code> if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the origin of a relation.

	target if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the destination of a relation.
<code>ego_design</code>	A list of arguments to <code>srvyr::as_survey_design()</code> specifying the sampling design for the egos. If formulas, they can refer to columns of <code>egos.df</code> . <code>NULL</code> means that no design is set.
<code>alter_design</code>	A list of arguments specifying nomination information. Currently, the following elements are supported: "max" Maximum number of alters that an ego can nominate.
<code>x</code>	an object to be coerced to egor .
<code>...</code>	arguments to be passed to methods

Details

If parameters `alters.df`, `egos.df`, and `aaties.df` are data frames, they need to share a common ego ID variable, with corresponding values. If `alters.df` and `aaties.df` are lists of data frames, `egoID` is ignored and they are matched positionally with the rows of `egos.df`. Of the three parameters only `alters.df` is necessary to create an `egor` object, and `egos.df` and `aaties.df` are optional.

Value

Returns an `egor` object. An `egor` object is a [tibble](#) whose top-level columns store the ego attributes, and which has two special nested columns: `.alts`, containing, for each row (ego) a table of that ego's alter attributes and `.aaties`, a table containing that ego's alter–alter ties, if observed.

If alter–alter ties are observed, `.alts` also has a column `.altID` giving a unique (within each ego) ID of the alter, by which the alter can be identified in the `.aaties` table for that ego. `.aaties`, in turn, has columns `.srcID` and `.tgtID` that contain the source and the target of the alter–alter relation.

In addition, `egor` has two attributes: `ego_design`, containing an object returned by `srvyr::as_survey_design()` specifying the sampling design by which the egos were selected and `alter_design`, a [list](#) containing specification of how the alters were nominated. See the argument above for currently implemented settings.

Methods (by generic)

- `as.egor`: Can convert (legacy) `nested_egor` object to `egor` object.

Note

Column names `.alts`, `.aaties`, and `.egoRow` are reserved for internal use of `egor` and should not be used to store persistent data. Other `.-led` column names may be reserved in the future.

Examples

```
data("egos32")
data("alters32")
data("aaties32")
```

```
egor(alters32,
     egos32,
     aaties32,
     ID.vars = list(ego = ".EGOID",
                   alter = ".ALTID",
                   source = ".SRCID",
                   target = ".TGTID"))
```

egor-package-doc	egor
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Description

R Package for importing and analyzing ego-centered-network data.

Details

[Further Information](#) or [GitHub](#)

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egor32	<i>32 randomly created ego-centered networks stored as an egor object</i>
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Description

32 randomly created ego-centered networks stored as an egor object

Usage

```
egor32
```

Format

An egor object with 32 ego-centered networks (5 variables):

egoID ego identifier

sex ego's gender

age ego's age

.alts nested column/list containing alters

.aaties nested column/list containing alter-alter relations

egor_vis_app

egor *Network Visualization App*

Description

Launches an interactive Shiny Web App, that creates a list of igraph objects from an 'egor' object and offers the user several graphical means of interacting with the visualization parameters for all networks in the egor object.

Usage

```
egor_vis_app(object = NULL, shiny_opts = list(launch.browser = TRUE))
```

Arguments

object An egor object.

shiny_opts List of arguments to be passed to shinyApp()'s options argument.

Examples

```
if(interactive()){  
  data("egor32")  
  egor_vis_app(egor32)  
}
```

 egos32

 32 randomly created egos belonging to ego-centered networks

Description

32 randomly created egos belonging to ego-centered networks

Usage

```
egos32
```

Format

A data frame with 32 sets of alter-alter relations and 4 variables:

.EGOID ego identifier

age age in categories

age.years age in years

country country

income income

sex gender

 ego_constraint

 Calculate Burt constraint for the egos of ego-centered networks

Description

This calculates Burt's *network constraint* for all egos in an egor object. It iterates over each network and applies [igraph::constraint](#). A weight variable can be specified.

Usage

```
ego_constraint(object, weights = NULL, ego.alter.weights = weights)
```

Arguments

object An egor object.

weights Character, naming the alter-alter tie weight variable.

ego.alter.weights

Character, naming the ego-alter weight tie weight variable. This defaults to the same value as `weights`, only specify if the name of the `ego.alter.weights` is different from `weights`.

Details

The calculation of weighted network constraint only works, if the alter-alter tie weights are complemented by an alter level variable specifying the same weight for the ego-alter ties.

Value

Numeric vector with a constraint value for each ego.

References

Burt, R. (2004). Structural holes and good ideas. *American Journal of Sociology*, (110), 349–399.

Examples

```
data(egor32)
ego_constraint(egor32)
```

ego_density

Calculate the relationship density in ego-centered networks

Description

This function uses an egor object and calculates the density of all the ego-centered networks listed in the 'egor' object. Instead of an egor object, alter and alter-alter data can be provided as lists or data.frames.

Usage

```
ego_density(object, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'
ego_density(object, weight = NULL, max.netsize = NULL, directed = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An egor object.
...	arguments to be passed to methods
weight	Character naming a variable containing the weight values of relations. Weights should range from 0 to 1.
max.netsize	Optional parameter. Constant value used if the number of alters whose relations were collected is limited.
directed	logical indicating if the alter-alter relation data/ edges are directed or undirected.

Value

returns a vector of network density values.

Examples

```
data("egor32")
ego_density(egor32)
```

ego_design	<i>Set and query the ego sampling design</i>
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Description

Extract, set, remove, or update the survey design associated with an ego-centered dataset.

Usage

```
ego_design(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
ego_design(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'nested_egor'
ego_design(x, ...)

ego_design(x, ...) <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'egor'
ego_design(x, ...) <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'nested_egor'
ego_design(x, ...) <- value

has_ego_design(x)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
has_ego_design(x)

## S3 method for class 'nested_egor'
has_ego_design(x)

strip_ego_design(x)
```

Arguments

x	an egor object.
...	arguments to be passed to methods
value	a list of arguments to srvyr::as_survey_design() specifying the sampling design for the egos. If the arguments are formulas, they can refer to columns (ego attributes) of x. NULL clears design information.

Note

This can be useful for adjusting or reinitializing the ego design information after the underlying ego attributes had been modified.

 EI

Calculate the EI-Index for the alter-alter ties of an egor object

Description

The EI-Index is the division of the intra-group edge density and the outer-group edge density. It is calculated for the whole network and for subgroups. The whole network EI is a metric indicating the tendency of a network to be clustered by the categories of a given factor variable. The EI value of a group describes the tendency of that group within a network to be connected [0,1) or not connected (-1,0] to other groups. Additionally, the EI index can be employed as a measurement for egos tendency to homo-/heterophily - use the `egor::comp_ei()` command for that version of the EI-Index.

[0,1) or not connected (-1,0]: $R:0,1) \text{ or } \text{not connected} (-1,0$

Usage

```
EI(object, alt.attr)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An egor object.
<code>alt.attr</code>	Character naming grouping variable.

References

Krackhardt, D., Stern, R.N., 1988. Informal networks and organizational crises: an experimental simulation. *Social Psychology Quarterly* 51 (2), 123-140.

Everett, M. G., & Borgatti, S. P. (2012). Categorical attribute based centrality: E-I and G-F centrality. *Social Networks*, 34(4), 562-569.

Examples

```
data("egor32")
EI(egor32, "sex")
```

gss2004

*A selective subset of GSS 2004 data***Description**

This is a selective subset of General Social Survey 2004 data containing variables from network questions. See Details for description how this particular subset was selected. The data has a near 0 research value, it is provided to illustrate the functions in **egor** package.

Format

A tibble with 499 rows and the variables listed below. Data was imported from SPSS file and are labelled. Functions in the **labelled** package can be used to handle them.

Variables:

id Case ID

vpsu, vstrat, wtssall Design variables and weight

age Ego's age in years

race Ego's race. 1=white, 2=black, 3=other

sex Ego's sex. 1=male, 2=female

marital Ego's marital status. 1=married, 2=widowed, 3=divorced, 4=separated, 5=never married

numgiven Number of alters mentioned

age[1-5] Alter's age in years

race[1-5] Alter's race. 1=asian, 2=black, 3=hispanic, 4=white, 5=other

sex[1-5] Alter's sex. 1=male, 2=female

spouse[1-5] Whether alter is a spouse of ego. 1=mentioned, 2=not mentioned

close[1-4 [2-5]] How close are the two alters according to ego. 1=especially close, 2=know each other, 3=total strangers

Details

This dataset was created from original GSS 2004 data for illustrative purposes such that (1) it is small and (2) contains just enough variation in respondent's personal networks to illustrate various functions in the package. It is essentially a stratified sample from original data (1472 cases). Strata correspond to groups of cases created from unique combinations of values on the following ego variables: age (3 categories), race, sex, marital, numgiven. At most 2 cases were sampled from each stratum via simple random sampling with replacement.

Source

General Social Survey data at NORC: <http://gss.norc.org/get-the-data>

 helper

General helper functions

Description

Helper functions for ego centered network analysis

Usage

```

as_nested_ego(x)

alters_by_ego(x)

## S3 method for class 'ego'
alters_by_ego(x)

## S3 method for class 'nested_ego'
alters_by_ego(x)

aaties_by_ego(x)

## S3 method for class 'ego'
aaties_by_ego(x)

## S3 method for class 'nested_ego'
aaties_by_ego(x)

dyad.poss(max.alters, directed = FALSE)

sanitize.wide.edges(max.alters)

create_edge_names_wide(x)

dyads_possible_between_groups(x, y, geometric = TRUE)

din_page_dist(x)

```

Arguments

x	Numeric.
max.alters	A numeric giving the maximum number of alters.
directed	A logical value indicating directedness of alter-alter data.
y	Numeric.
geometric	Logical. Calculate possible dyads for geometric mean?

Functions

- `as_nested_ego`: Converts an ego object to a "legacy" ego object with nested `.alts` and `.aaties` columns.
- `alters_by_ego`: Splits the alter table into a list of tables (possibly 0-row) of alters associated with each ego, in the same order as the ego table.
- `aaties_by_ego`: Splits the alter–alter ties table into a list of tables (possibly 0-row) of alter–alter associated with each ego, in the same order as the ego table.
- `dyad.poss`: Returns the count of possible edges in an undirected or directed, ego-centered network, based on the number of alters.
- `sanitize.wide.edges`: Generates a `data.frame` marking possible dyads in a wide alter–alter relation `data.frame`. Row names corresponds to the network size. This is useful for sanitizing alter–alter relations in the wide format.
- `create_edge_names_wide`: Creates a vector of names for variables containing data on alter–alter relations/ dyads in ego-centered networks.
- `dyads_possible_between_groups`: Calculates the possible edges between members of different groups in an ego-centered network.
- `din_page_dist`: Calculates the optimal distribution of a number of equally sized objects on a DIN-Norm DIN 476 (i.e. DIN A4) page in landscape view.

layout_egogram

Create layout for an egogram

Description

This creates pairs of x and y coordinates for a egogram, accompanied by alter IDs for each coordinate pair.

Usage

```
layout_egogram(altID, venn_var, pie_var)
```

Arguments

<code>altID</code>	Vector of alter IDs.
<code>venn_var</code>	Vector of values representing alter groups corresponding with venns in an egogram.
<code>pie_var</code>	Vector of values representing alter groups corresponding with pieces of pie in an egogram.

Value

A dataframe with three columns: x, y and altID.

make_egor	<i>Generate random ego-centered-network data.</i>
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Description

This function generates random ego-centered-network data for a specified number of networks with a maximum network size. The network size of the generated networks is a normal distribution with $sd=5$.

Usage

```
make_egor(net.count, max.alters, netsize_fixed = FALSE, plot = FALSE)
```

Arguments

net.count	Number of networks/ egos to generate.
max.alters	Maximum size of networks.
netsize_fixed	Logical, if TRUE all networks will have max.alters as network size.
plot	whether to plot the network size distribution.

onefile_to_egor	<i>Import ego-centered network data from 'one file format'</i>
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Description

This function imports ego-centered network data, stored in a single file, providing ego, alter and edge data. This data format is used by the Allbus 2010 (GESIS) and similar social surveys.

Usage

```
onefile_to_egor(
  egos,
  netsize = NULL,
  ID.vars = list(ego = "egoID"),
  attr.start.col,
  attr.end.col,
  max.alters,
  aa.first.var,
  aa.regex = NULL,
  var.wise = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>egos</code>	Data frame containing ego data (egos as cases)
<code>netsize</code>	Numeric, network size values are used to filter out empty alter entries. If the alter data is not structured in a way, where valid alters are stored before the invalid alters, pass NULL here and filter out invalid alters afterwards.
<code>ID.vars</code>	Character. For <code>onefile_to_egor</code> only the name of the ego ID needs to be provided.
<code>attr.start.col</code>	Index or name of the first column containing alter attributes.
<code>attr.end.col</code>	Index or name of the last column containing alter attributes.
<code>max.alters</code>	Maximum number of alters.
<code>aa.first.var</code>	First column containing alter-alter relations/ edges.
<code>aa.regex</code>	A Perl regular expression with name capture, intended to be run on column names and capturing via named capture the following regex groups: "attr", "src", and "tgt", representing the edge attribute being captured, the source (or the first alter identified), and the target (or the second alter identified) of the edge, respectively. See regex for more information.
<code>var.wise</code>	Logical value indicating if the alter attributes are sorted variable wise (defaults to FALSE).
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to <code>egor()</code> .

Value

An **egor** object is returned. It is a list of three data frames: (1) `ego`: dataframe of all egos and their attributes; (2) `alter`: dataframe of all alters; (3) `aatie`: dataframe of alter alter ties/ edges

References

Muller, C., Wellman, B., & Marin, A. (1999). How to Use SPSS to Study Ego-Centered Networks. *Bulletin de Methodologie Sociologique*, 64(1), 83-100.

Examples

```
path_to_one_file_8 <- system.file("extdata", "one_file_8.csv", package = "egor")
egos_8 <- read.csv2(path_to_one_file_8, row.names = 1)

attr.start.col <- which(names(egos_8) == "alter.sex.1")
attr.end.col <- which(names(egos_8) == "alter.age.8")
dy.first.var <- which(names(egos_8) == "X1.to.2")

onefile_to_egor(
  egos = egos_8, netsize = egos_8$netsize,
  attr.start.col = attr.start.col,
  attr.end.col = attr.end.col,
  aa.first.var = dy.first.var,
  max.alters = 8)
```

plot_egograms	<i>Plotting egor objects</i>
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Description

egor objects can be plotted as *egographs* or *egograms*. By default networks of the four first egos are plotted.

Usage

```
plot_egograms(
  x,
  ego_no = 1,
  x_dim = 1,
  y_dim = 1,
  venn_var = NULL,
  pie_var = NULL,
  vertex_size_var = NULL,
  vertex_color_var = NULL,
  vertex_color_palette = "Heat Colors",
  vertex_color_legend_label = vertex_color_var,
  vertex_label_var = NULL,
  edge_width_var = NULL,
  edge_color_var = NULL,
  edge_color_palette = "Heat Colors",
  highlight_box_col_var = NULL,
  highlight_box_col_palette = "Heat Colors",
  res_disp_vars = NULL,
  vertex_zoom = 1,
  edge_zoom = 2,
  font_size = 1,
  venn_colors = NULL,
  show_venn_labels = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

```
plot_ego_graphs(
  x,
  ego_no = 1,
  x_dim = 1,
  y_dim = 1,
  vertex_size_var = NULL,
  vertex_color_var = NULL,
  vertex_color_palette = "Heat Colors",
  vertex_color_legend_label = vertex_color_var,
  vertex_label_var = NULL,
  edge_width_var = NULL,
```

```

    edge_color_var = NULL,
    edge_color_palette = "Heat Colors",
    highlight_box_col_var = NULL,
    highlight_box_col_palette = "Heat Colors",
    res_disp_vars = NULL,
    vertex_zoom = 1,
    edge_zoom = 3,
    font_size = 1,
    include_ego = FALSE,
    ...
)

plot_egor(
  x,
  ego_no = 1,
  x_dim = 2,
  y_dim = 2,
  ...,
  type = c("egograph", "egogram")
)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
plot(x, ...)

```

Arguments

x	An <i>egor</i> object.
ego_no	Ego row number.
x_dim	Number of ego networks to plot horizontally.
y_dim	Number of ego networks to plot vertically
venn_var	Name (character) of alter column.
pie_var	Name (character) of alter column.
vertex_size_var	Name (character) of alter column.
vertex_color_var	Name (character) of alter column.
vertex_color_palette	Name (character) of color palette.
vertex_color_legend_label	Character.
vertex_label_var	Name (character) of alter column.
edge_width_var	Name (character) of aatie column.
edge_color_var	Name (character) of aatie column.
edge_color_palette	Name (character) of color palette.

```

highlight_box_col_var      Name (character) of ego column.
highlight_box_col_palette  Name (character) of color palette.
res_disp_vars             Name (character) of ego column.
vertex_zoom               Numeric.
edge_zoom                 Numeric.
font_size                 Numeric.
venn_colors               Vector of colors.
show_venn_labels          Logical.
...                       Additional arguments forwarded to plot.igraph.
include_ego               Logical.
type                      Character. Either "egograph" or "egogram".

```

Details

For type equals "egograph" ego networks are plotted using

Functions

- `plot_egograms`: Plots an ego-socio-gram.
- `plot_ego_graphs`: Plots an ego graph.

Examples

```

e <- make_egor(net.count = 5, max.alters = 12)
plot_egograms(x = e,
              ego_no = 2,
              venn_var = "sex",
              pie_var = "country",
              vertex_size_var = "age")

plot(e)

```

read_egonet	<i>Read ego-centered network data exported with EgoNet software as an egor object</i>
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Description

This function imports ego-centered network data from folders with separate files for alters-level and edge data. It will run some basic checks upon the completeness of the data and inform the user of potential problems. This function can be used to import data exported from EgoNet (McCarty 2011).

Usage

```
read_egonet(
  egos.file,
  alter.folder,
  edge.folder,
  csv.sep = ",",
  ID.vars = list(ego = "egoID", alter = "alterID", source = "Source", target =
    "Target"),
  first.col.row.names = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>egos.file</code>	File name of the .csv file containing the ego data.
<code>alter.folder</code>	Folder name of the folder containing the alter data in separate .csv files for each ego/ network.
<code>edge.folder</code>	Folder name of the folder containing the edge/ tie data in separate .csv files for each ego/ network.
<code>csv.sep</code>	Character indicating the separator used in csv files.
<code>ID.vars</code>	A named list containing column names of the relevant input columns: <code>ego</code> unique identifier associated with each ego, defaulting to "egoID"; has no effect if <code>alters.df</code> and <code>aaties.df</code> are both lists of data frames. <code>alter</code> unique-within-ego identifier associated with each alter, defaulting to "alterID"; optional <code>aaties.df</code> are not provided. <code>source</code> if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the origin of a relation. <code>target</code> if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the destination of a relation.
<code>first.col.row.names</code>	Boolean indicating if first column contains row names, that are to be skipped, default is FALSE.
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to <code>egor()</code> .

Value

An **egor** object is returned. It is a list of three data frames: (1) `ego`: dataframe of all egos and their attributes; (2) `alter`: dataframe of all alters; (3) `aatie`: dataframe of alter alter ties/ edges

Examples

```
egos.file <- system.file("extdata", "egos_32.csv", package = "egor")
alters.folder <- system.file("extdata", "alters_32", package = "egor")
edge.folder <- system.file("extdata", "edges_32", package = "egor")

ef <- read_egonet(egos.file = egos.file,
  alter.folder = alters.folder,
```

```
edge.folder = edge.folder,
csv.sep = ";")
```

rowlist	<i>Convert a table to a list of rows</i>
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Description

A convenience function converting a `data.frame()` or a `tibble()`.

Usage

```
rowlist(x)
```

Arguments

`x` a `data.frame()`, a `tibble()`, or some other table data structure backed by a `list()` of columns.

Value

A `list()` of length `nrow(x)`, with each element itself a named `list()` containing the elements in the corresponding row.

Examples

```
library(tibble)
(df <- tibble(x=2:1, y=list(list(1:3), list(3:4))))
rowlist(df)
```

subset.egor	<i>Filter and Subset Ego-centered Datasets</i>
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Description

Functions to index and take subsets of `egor()` objects: manipulate egos, alters, or alter-alter ties.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'
subset(x, subset, ..., unit = attr(x, "active"))

## S3 method for class 'egor'
x[i, j, unit = attr(x, "active"), ...]
```

Arguments

x	an <code>egor()</code> object.
subset	either an expression evaluated on each of the rows of the selected unit (as in the eponymous argument of <code>subset()</code>) or a function whose first argument is a row, specifying which egos, alters, or alter-alter ties to keep. The expressions can access variables in the calling environment; columns of the active unit, columns of other units with which the active unit shares an ego via <code>egos\$</code> , <code>alters\$</code> , and <code>aaties\$</code> as well as the following "virtual" columns to simplify indexing: Ego index <code>.egoRow</code> contains the index (counting from 1) of the row being evaluated. (This can be used to access vector variables in the calling environment.) Alter index <code>.altRow</code> contains the index (counting from 1) of the row number in the alter table. Alter–alter indices <code>.srcRow</code> and <code>.tgtRow</code> contain the index (counting from 1) of the row of the alter being refereced by <code>.srcID</code> and <code>.tgtID</code> . (This can be used to quickly access the attributes of the alters in question.)
...	extra arguments to <code>subset</code> if <code>subset</code> is a function; otherwise unused.
unit	a selector of the unit of analysis being affected: the egos, the alters or the (alter-alter) ties. Note that only one type of unit can be affected at a time. Defaults to the current active unit selected by <code>activate.egor()</code> .
i	numeric or logical vector indexing the appropriate unit.
j	either an integer vector specifying which columns of the filtered structure (ego, alters, or ties) to select, or a logical vector specifying which columns to keep. Note that the special columns <code>.egoID</code> , <code>.altID</code> , <code>.srcID</code> , <code>.tgtID</code> are not indexed by <code>j</code> .

Details

Removing or duplicating an ego will also remove or duplicate their alters and ties.

Value

An `egor()` object.

Examples

```
# Generate a small sample dataset
(e <- make_egor(5,4))

# First three egos in the dataset
e[1:3,]

# Using an external vector
# (though normally, we would use e[.keep,] here)
.keep <- rep(c(TRUE, FALSE), length.out=nrow(e$ego))
subset(e, .keep)
```

summary.ego	<i>Methods to print and summarize <code>ego</code> objects</i>
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Description

Methods to print and summarize `ego` objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ego'
summary(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ego'
print(x, ..., n = 3)
```

Arguments

object, x	an <code>ego</code> object.
...	additional arguments, either unused or passed to lower-level functions.
n	Number of rows to print.

threefiles_to_ego	<i>Read/ import ego-centered network data from the three files format, EgoWeb2.0 or openeddi.</i>
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Description

These functions read ego-centered network data from the three files format, EgoWeb2.0 or openeddi and transform it to an `egoR` object. The three files format consists of an ego file, an alters file and one file containing the edge data. EgoWeb2.0 and openeddi use variations of this format.

Usage

```
threefiles_to_ego(
  egos,
  alters.df,
  edges,
  ID.vars = list(ego = "egoID", alter = "alterID", source = "Source", target =
    "Target"),
  ego.vars = NULL,
  ...
)

read_egoweb(
  alter.file,
```

```

    edges.file,
    egos.file = NULL,
    ID.vars = list(ego = "EgoID", alter = "Alter.Number", source = "Alter.1.Number",
        target = "Alter.2.Number"),
    ego.vars = NULL,
    ...
)

read_openeddi(
  egos.file = NULL,
  alters.file = NULL,
  edges.file = NULL,
  ID.vars = list(ego = "puid", alter = "nameid", source = "nameid", target =
    "targetid"),
  ego.vars = NULL,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

egos	Data frame containing ego data (egos as cases)
alters.df	dataframe containing alters data (alters as cases), alters are separated by a variable containing an egoID.
edges	Dataframe. A global edge list, first column is ego ID variable. egos.
ID.vars	A named list containing column names of the relevant input columns: ego unique identifier associated with each ego, defaulting to "egoID"; has no effect if alters.df and aaties.df are both lists of data frames. alter unique-within-ego identifier associated with each alter, defaulting to "alterID"; optional aaties.df are not provided. source if aaties.df is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the origin of a relation. target if aaties.df is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the destination of a relation.
ego.vars	A data.frame of alter attributes in the wide format.
...	additional arguments to <code>egor()</code> .
alter.file	A character specifying the filename of the alters data.
edges.file	A character specifying the filename of the edge data.
egos.file	A character specifying the filename of the ego data.
alters.file	Character name of the alters data file.

Value

An **egor** object is returned. It is a list of three data frames: (1) ego: dataframe of all egos and their attributes; (2) alter: dataframe of all alters; (3) aatie: dataframe of alter alter ties/ edges

Functions

- `read_egoweb`: This function reads in data from an EgoWeb 2.0 survey and transforms it to an egoR object. If no file name for the egos file is provided ego data is assumed to be merged with alters data and it will be extracted by `read_egoweb`. By default the standard ID variable names of EgoWeb are used, if you need to specify the ID variable names use the `ID.vars` parameter. Further Information: github.com/qualintitative/egoweb
- `read_openeddi`: This function reads in data created by the openeddi survey software and transforms it to an egoR object. If no parameters are provided `read_openeddi` will try to find the adequate files in the working directory. By default the standard ID variable names of openeddi are used, if you need to specify the ID variable names use the `ID.vars` parameter. Further Information: www.openeddi.com

Examples

```
# The data for read.egonet.threefiles() needs to be loaded with read.csv(),
# for it to be converted to an egoR object.
egos.file <- system.file("extdata", "egos_32.csv", package = "egor")
alters.file <- system.file("extdata", "alters_32.csv", package = "egor")
edges.file <- system.file("extdata", "edges_32.csv", package = "egor")

egos <- read.csv2(egos.file)
alters <- read.csv2(alters.file)
edges <- read.csv2(edges.file)

tf <- threefiles_to_egor(egos = egos, alters.df = alters, edges = edges)

# read_egoweb() and read_openeddi() read the files directly from the disk.

# Fetch current working directory
wd <- getwd()

setwd(system.file("extdata", "openeddi", package = "egor"))
oe <- read_openeddi()

setwd(system.file("extdata", "egoweb", package = "egor"))
ew <- read_egoweb(alter.file = "alters_32.csv", edges.file = "edges_32.csv",
                 egos.file = "egos_32.csv")

# Restore working directory
setwd(wd)
```

trim_aaties

Trims alter-alter ties of alters that are missing/ deleted from alters data.

Description

This is used in the background by dplyr methods, to maintain the alter-alter ties according to changes made to the ego and alter data levels.

Usage

```
trim_aaties(object)
```

Arguments

object An egor object.

Value

An egor object with trimmed alter-alter ties (.aaties).

trim_alters	<i>Trims alters that are missing/ deleted from ego data.</i>
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Description

This is used in the background by dplyr methods, to maintain the alter ties according to changes made to the ego data level.

Usage

```
trim_alters(object)
```

Arguments

object An egor object.

Value

An egor object with trimmed alter-alter ties (.aaties).

twofiles_to_ego	<i>Import ego-centered network data from two file format</i>
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Description

This function imports ego-centered network data, stored in two files, where one file contains the ego attributes and the edge information and the other file contains the alters data. This form of data storage for ego-centered network data is proposed by Muller, Wellman and Marin (1999).

Usage

```
twofiles_to_egor(
  egos,
  alters,
  ID.vars = list(ego = "egoID", alter = "alterID", source = "Source", target =
    "Target"),
  e.max.alters,
  e.first.var,
  selection = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

<code>egos</code>	Data frame containing ego data (egos as cases)
<code>alters</code>	Data frame containing alters data (alters as cases), alters are separated by a variable containing an egoID.
<code>ID.vars</code>	A named list containing column names of the relevant input columns: <code>ego</code> unique identifier associated with each ego, defaulting to "egoID"; has no effect if <code>alters.df</code> and <code>aaties.df</code> are both lists of data frames. <code>alter</code> unique-within-ego identifier associated with each alter, defaulting to "alterID"; optional <code>aaties.df</code> are not provided. <code>source</code> if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the origin of a relation. <code>target</code> if <code>aaties.df</code> is provided, the column given the alter identifier of the destination of a relation.
<code>e.max.alters</code>	Maximum number of alters that are included in edge data.
<code>e.first.var</code>	Index or name of the first column in <code>egos</code> containing edge data.
<code>selection</code>	Character naming numeric variable indicating alters selection with zeros and ones.
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to <code>egor()</code> .

Value

An **egor** object is returned. It is a list of three data frames: (1) `ego`: dataframe of all egos and their attributes; (2) `alter`: dataframe of all alters; (3) `aatie`: dataframe of alter alter ties/ edges

Examples

```
path_to_alters_8.csv <- system.file("extdata", "alters_8.csv", package = "egor")
path_to_one_file_8 <- system.file("extdata", "one_file_8.csv", package = "egor")

# read data from disk
egos_8 <- read.csv2(path_to_one_file_8, row.names = 1)
alters_8 <- read.csv2(path_to_alters_8.csv, row.names = 1)

dy.first.var <- which(names(egos_8) == "X1.to.2")
```

```
# convert to egor object
twofiles_to_ego(
  egos = egos_8,
  alters = alters_8,
  e.max.alters = 8,
  e.first.var = dy.first.var)
```

vis_clustered_graphs *Visualize clustered graphs*

Description

vis_clustered_graphs visualizes clustered_graphs using a list of clustered graphs created with [clustered_graphs](#).

Usage

```
vis_clustered_graphs(
  graphs,
  node.size.multiplier = 1,
  node.min.size = 0,
  node.max.size = 200,
  normalise.node.sizes = TRUE,
  edge.width.multiplier = 1,
  center = 1,
  label.size = 0.8,
  labels = FALSE,
  legend.node.size = 45,
  pdf.name = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

graphs	List of graph objects, representing the clustered graphs.
node.size.multiplier	Numeric used to multiply the node diameter of visualized nodes.
node.min.size	Numeric indicating minimum size of plotted nodes
node.max.size	Numeric indicating maximum size of plotted nodes
normalise.node.sizes	Logical. If TRUE (default) node sizes are plotted using per network proportions rather than counts.
edge.width.multiplier	Numeric used to multiply the edge width.
center	Numeric indicating the vertex to be plotted in center.

label.size	Numeric.
labels	Boolean. Plots with turned off labels will be preceded by a 'legend' plot giving the labels of the vertices.
legend.node.size	Numeric used as node diameter of legend graph.
pdf.name	Character giving the name/path of the pdf file to create.
...	Arguments to pass to plot.igraph.

Value

vis_clustered_graphs plots a list of igraph objects created by the clustered_graphs function.

clustered_graphs returns a list of graph objects representing the clustered ego-centered network data;

References

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See Also

[clustered_graphs](#) for creating clustered graphs objects

Examples

```
data("egor32")

# Simplify networks to clustered graphs, stored as igraph objects
graphs <- clustered_graphs(egor32, "country")

# Visualise
par(mfrow = c(2,3))
vis_clustered_graphs(
  graphs[1:5]
)
par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```

weights.egor	weights.egor() extracts the (relative) sampling weights of each ego in the dataset.
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Description

[weights.egor\(\)](#) extracts the (relative) sampling weights of each ego in the dataset.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'  
weights(object, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	an egor object.
<code>...</code>	arguments to be passed to methods

See Also

[weights.survey.design](#)

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