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degree.collect	<i>Degrees of nodes</i>
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**Description**

Collect the degrees for all nodes in a network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

net                    The input network.

**Details**

Obtain the degrees for all nodes.

**Value**

A vector.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

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degree.dist	<i>Plot of the degree distribution of a network</i>
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**Description**

Plot the degree distribution of a network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

Plot the degree distribution of a network.

**Value**

A .gif plot.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

**Examples**

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

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

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

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

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

## End(Not run)
```

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degree.hist

*Histogram of the degree distribution of a network*

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**Description**

Plot the histogram of all degrees of a network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

Plot the histogram of all degrees of a network.

**Value**

A .gif plot.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

**Examples**

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

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draw.net

*Plot of a small network*

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**Description**

Plot a small network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

net                    The input network.

**Details**

Plot a small network.

**Value**

A .gif plot.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

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from.adjacency	<i>Adjacency Matrix to fastnet</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

adj.mat            The input adjacency matrix

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Christian Llano.

**Examples**

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

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from.edgelist	<i>Edgelist to fastnet</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

**Examples**

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

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from.igraph	<i>Transform an igraph object to a fastnet object</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`net.igraph`      The input igraph object.

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong.

**Examples**

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

---

`from.statnet`

`statnet to fastnet`

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**Description**

Import a statnet object.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`net.statnet`      The input statnet object.  
`ncores`            The number of cores to be used.

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong



**Examples**

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

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metric.cluster.global *Global Clustering Coefficient*

---

**Description**

Calculate the global clustering coefficient of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g`                    The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

metric.cluster.mean    *Mean Local Clustering Coefficient*

---

### Description

Calculate the average local clustering coefficient of a graph.

### Usage

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

### Arguments

`g`                    The input network.

### Details

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

### Value

A real constant.

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

### References

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

### Examples

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

---

metric.cluster.median *Median Local Clustering Coefficient*

---

### Description

Calculate the median local clustering coefficient of a graph.

### Usage

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

### Arguments

`g`                    The input network.

### Details

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

### Value

A real constant.

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

### References

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

### Examples

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

metric.degree.effective

*Effective Degree*

---

### **Description**

Calculate the effective degree of a network.

### **Usage**

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

### **Arguments**

`g` The input network.  
`effective_rate` The effective rate (0.9 is set by default).

### **Details**

The effective degree

### **Value**

A real constant.

### **Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

### **Examples**

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

---

metric.degree.entropy *Degree Entropy*

---

### **Description**

Calculate the degree entropy of a graph.

### **Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    The input network.

**Details**

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

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

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metric.degree.max            *Maximal Degree*

---

**Description**

Calculate the maximal degree of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    The input network.

**Details**

The maximal degree.

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

```
metric.degree.max.efficient  
Efficient Maximal Degree
```

---

**Description**

Calculate the efficient maximal degree of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g`                    The input network.

**Details**

The efficient maximal degree is the 90

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

metric.degree.mean     *Mean Degree*

---

**Description**

Calculate the mean degree of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

metric.degree.median     *Median Degree*

---

**Description**

Calculate the median degree of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g` The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

metric.degree.min      *Minimal Degree*

---

**Description**

Calculate the minimal degree of a network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g` The input network.

**Details**

The minimal degree.

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.



### Examples

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

---

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

---

### Description

Calculate the standard deviation of all degrees of a network.

### Usage

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

### Arguments

`g`                      The input network.

### Details

The standard deviation of all degrees of a network.

### Value

A real constant.

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

### Examples

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

metric.distance.apl    *Average Path Length*

---

### Description

Calculate the average path length of a graph.

### Usage

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

### Arguments

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

### Details

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

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

### Value

A real value.

### Author(s)

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

### References

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

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

**Examples**

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

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
metric.distance.diameter
      Diameter
```

---

**Description**

Calculate the diameter of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

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

**Value**

A real value.

**Author(s)**

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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

**Examples**

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

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.effdia

*Effective Diameter*

---

**Description**

Calculate the effective diameter of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real value.

**Author(s)**

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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

**Examples**

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

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.distance.meanecc

*Mean Eccentricity*

---

**Description**

Calculate the mean eccentricity of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g`                    The input network.  
`p`                    The sampling probability.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

metric.distance.medianecc

*Median Eccentricity*

---

**Description**

Calculate the (estimated) median eccentricity of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>g</code>	The input network.
<code>p</code>	The sampling probability.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

metric.distance.mpl     *Median Path Length*

---

**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real integer

**Author(s)**

Luis Castro, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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

**Examples**

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

## End(Not run)
```

---

metric.eigen.mean      *Mean Eigenvalue Centrality*

---

**Description**

Calculate the mean eigenvalue centrality of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g`                      The input network.

**Details**

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



**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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

**Examples**

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

---

metric.eigen.median     *Median Eigenvalue Centrality*

---

**Description**

Calculate the median eigenvalue centrality of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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

**Examples**

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

---

metric.eigen.value      *Eigenvalue Score*

---

**Description**

Calculate the eigenvalue centrality score of a graph.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                      The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A real constant.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

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### Examples

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

---

`metric.graph.density` *Graph Density*

---

### Description

Calculate the density of a graph.

### Usage

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

### Arguments

`g`                    The input network.

### Details

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

### Value

A real constant.

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

### Examples

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

neighbors                      *Neighbors of an agent in a network*

---

**Description**

Presents all neighbors of a given node.

**Usage**

```
neighbors(net, NodeID)
```

**Arguments**

net	The input network.
NodeID	The ID of the input node.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A vector.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

**Examples**

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

---

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

---

**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Luis Castro, Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

net.caveman

*Caveman Network*


---

**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

net.complete

*Complete Network*

---

**Description**

Simulate a complete (or full) network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

Note that the input  $n$  should not exceed 10000, for the sake of memory overflow.

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

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

---

**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

## References

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

## Examples

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

---

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

---

## Description

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

## Usage

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

## Arguments

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

## Details

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

## Value

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

## Author(s)

Luis Castro, Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

## References

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



**Examples**

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

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net.holme.kim	<i>Holme-Kim Network</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

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net.random.plc	<i>Random Network with a Power-law Degree Distribution that Has An Exponential Cutoff</i>
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### Description

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

### Usage

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

### Arguments

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

### Details

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

### Value

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

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

### References

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

### Examples

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

---

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

---

### Description

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

### Usage

```
net.rewired.caveman(nc, m, p)
```

### Arguments

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

### Details

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

### Value

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

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

### References

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

### Examples

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

---

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

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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Details**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

**References**

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

**Examples**

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

---

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

---

### Description

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

### Usage

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

### Arguments

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

### Details

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

### Value

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

### Author(s)

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh

### References

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

### Examples

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

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

---

**Description**

Present the first 10 degrees of a network.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`g` The input network.

**Details**

Present the first 10 degrees of a network.

**Value**

A vector.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

---

`preview.net`*Preview of a network*

---

**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

net                    The input network.

**Details**

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

**Value**

A list.

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong, Nazrul Shaikh.

**Examples**

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

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to.edgelist                    fastnet *to.edgelist*

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**Description**

Coerce a fastnet object to edgelist.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Value**

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

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

**Examples**

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

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to.igraph	fastnet <i>to</i> igraph
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**Description**

Coerce a fastnet object to an igraph object

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    A fastnet object

**Value**

An igraph object

**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

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to.tidygraph	fastnet <i>to</i> tidygraph
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**Description**

Coerce a fastnet object to a tidygraph object.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

g                    A fastnet object.

**Value**

A tidygraph object



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**Author(s)**

Xu Dong

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