igraph – a package for network analysis

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2. igraph architecture, data model and data representation

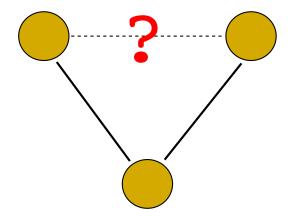
3. Manipulating graphs

4. Features and their time complexity

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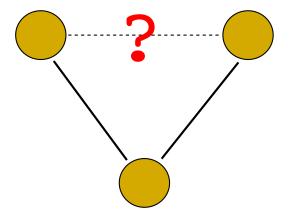
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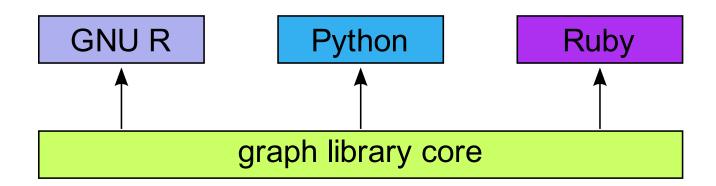
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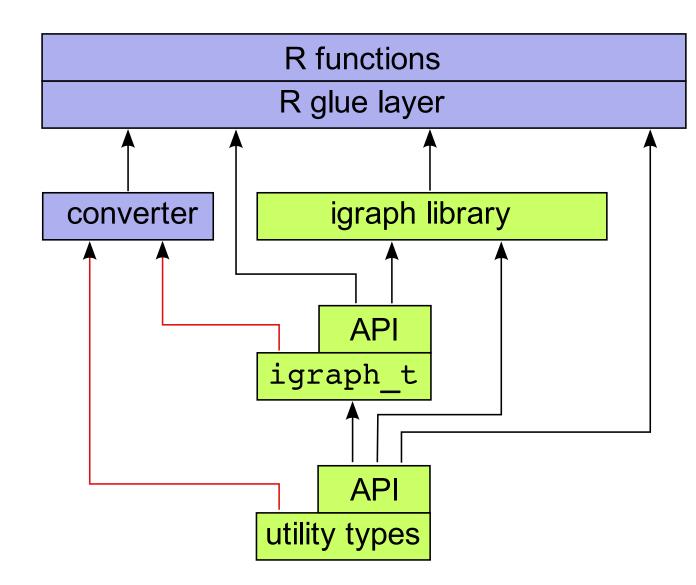
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12
    . . .
   > gtrans(net2)
13
    Error in matrix(0, nr = network.size(x), nc = network.size(x)) :
14
      too many elements specified
15
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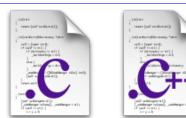
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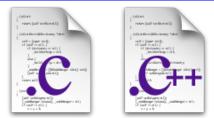
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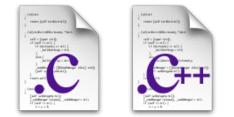


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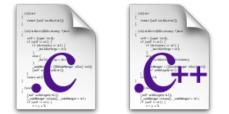


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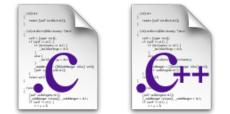
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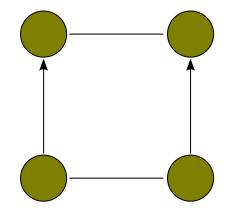






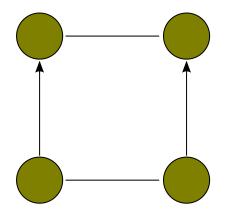
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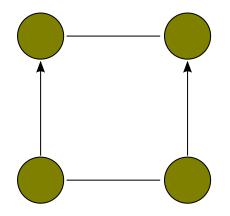
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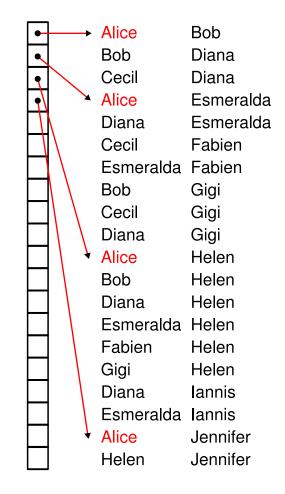


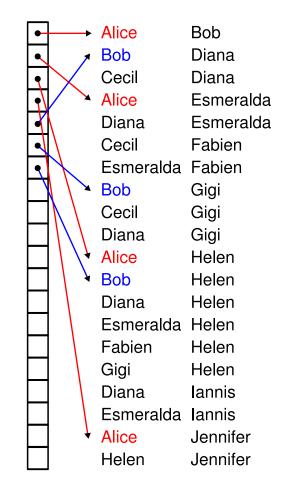
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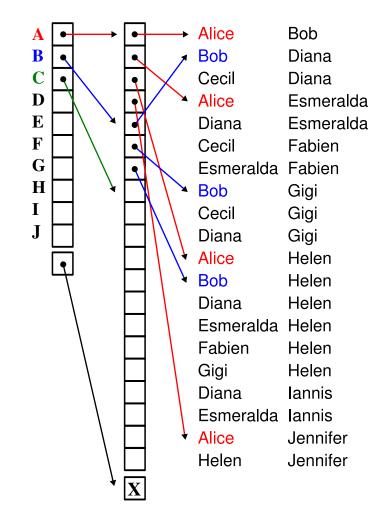
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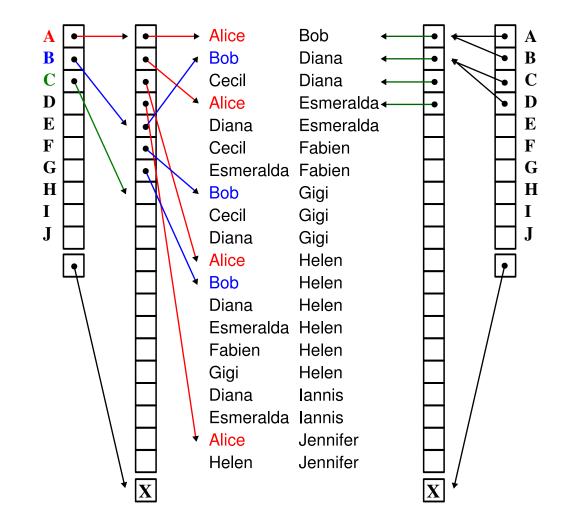
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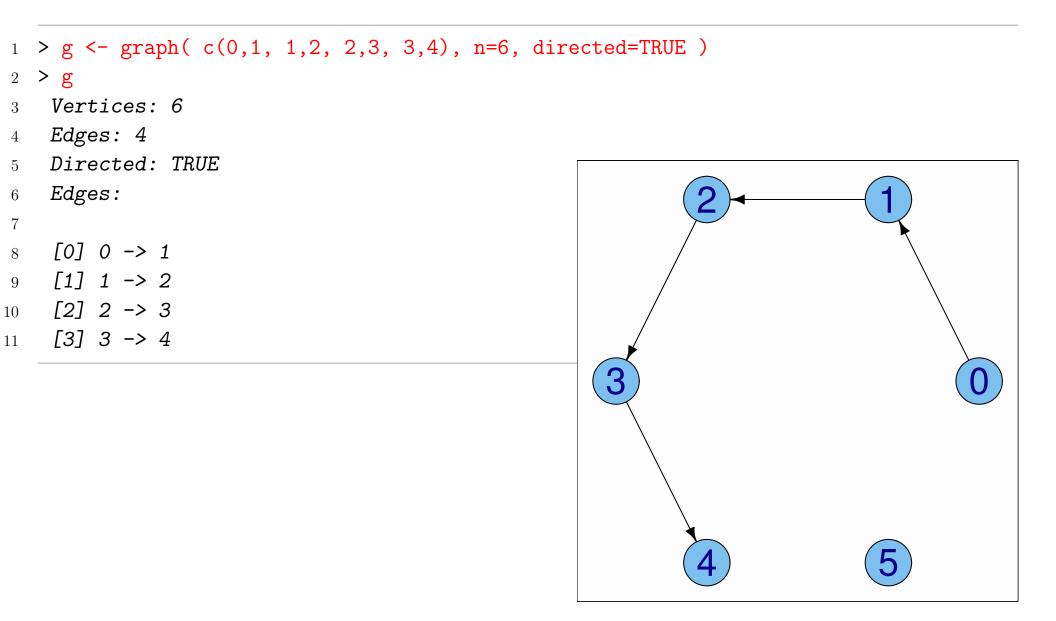






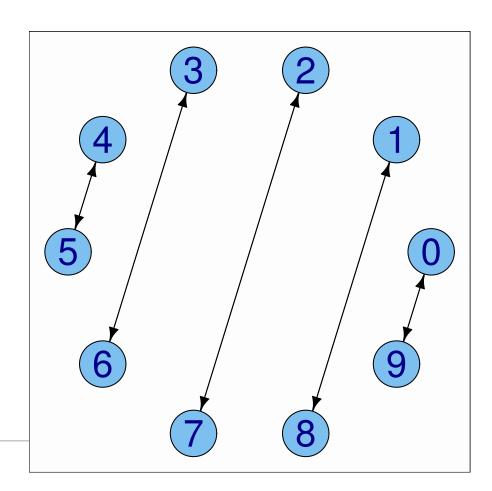


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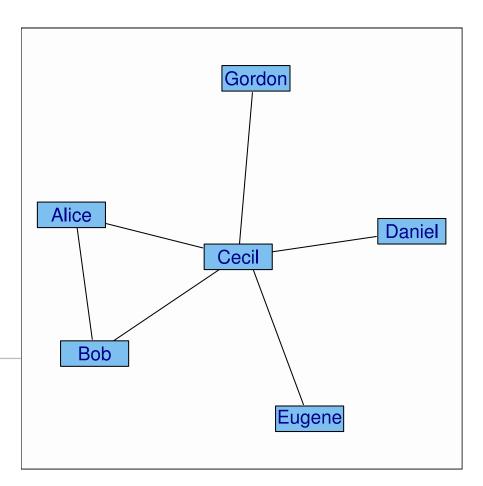


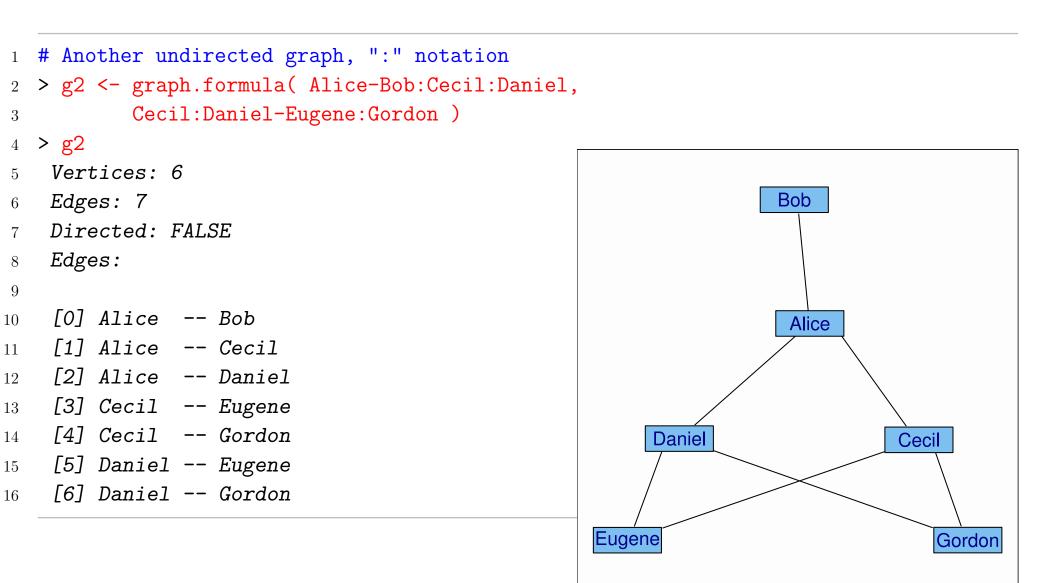
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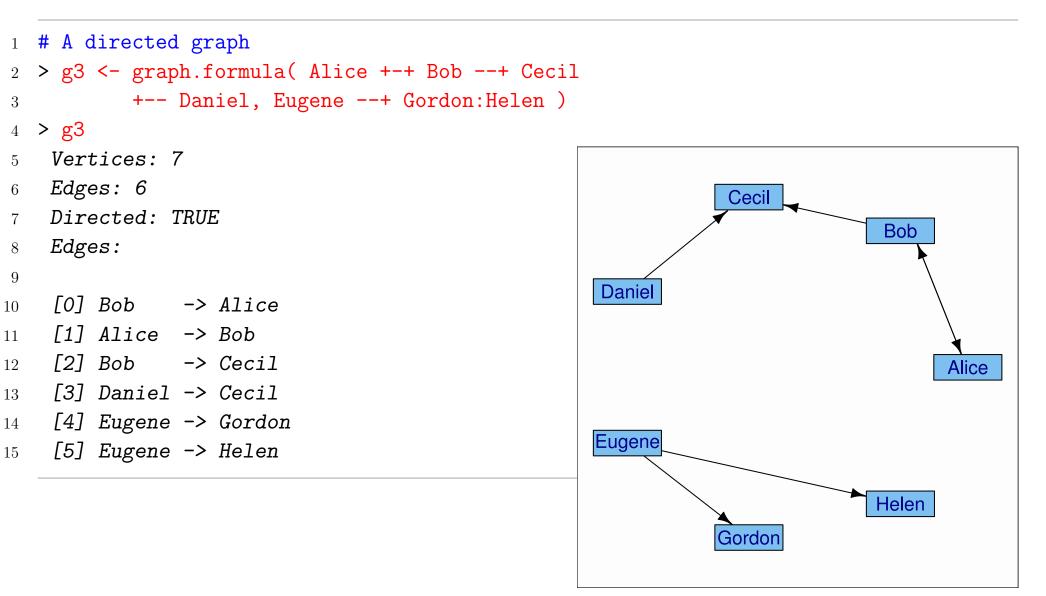
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1 > el <- cbind(0:9, 9:0)
2 > g <- graph( t(el), directed=TRUE)</pre>
3 > g
    Vertices: 10
4
   Edges: 10
5
   Directed: TRUE
6
   Edges:
\overline{7}
8
   [0] 0 -> 9
9
   [1] 1 -> 8
10
  [2] 2 -> 7
11
   [3] 3 -> 6
12
  [4] 4 -> 5
13
  [5] 5 -> 4
14
  [6] 6 -> 3
15
  [7] 7 -> 2
16
  [8] 8 -> 1
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18 [9] 9 -> 0
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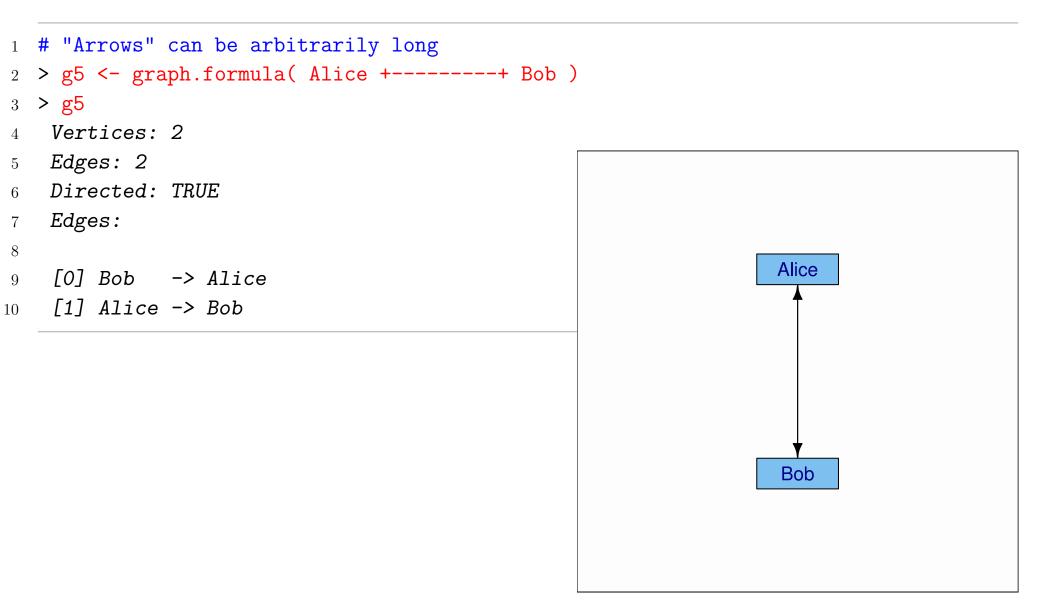
```
1 # A simple undirected graph
2 > g <- graph.formula( Alice-Bob-Cecil-Alice,</pre>
          Daniel-Cecil-Eugene, Cecil-Gordon )
3
4 > g
    Vertices: 6
5
   Edges: 6
6
   Directed: FALSE
7
   Edges:
8
9
    [0] Alice -- Bob
10
    [1] Bob -- Cecil
11
    [2] Alice -- Cecil
12
    [3] Cecil -- Daniel
13
    [4] Cecil -- Eugene
14
    [5] Cecil -- Gordon
15
```











Creating graphs, graph.famous

1	> graph.famous("Cubical")	
2	Vertices: 8	
3	Edges: 12	
4	Directed: FALSE	
5	Edges:	
6		3
7	[0] 0 1	
8	[1] 1 2	
9	[2] 2 3	
10	[3] 0 3	
11	[4] 4 5	
12	[5] 5 6	
13	[6] 6 7	
14	[7] 4 7	
15	[8] 0 4	
16	[9] 1 5	
17	[10] 2 6	
18	[11] 3 7	
		5

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Creating graphs, graph.data.frame

1	> t1	caits <- read.csv("	tra	its.csv", head=F)
2	> t1	caits		
3		V1	V2	V3
4	1	Alice Anderson	48	F
5	2	Bob Bradford	33	Μ
6	3	Cecil Connor	45	F
7	4	David Daugher	34	Μ
8	5	Esmeralda Escobar	21	F
9	6	Frank Finley	36	Μ
10	7	Gabi Garbo	44	F
11	8	Helen Hunt	40	F
12	9	Iris Irving	25	F
13	10	James Jones	47	Μ
14	> co	olnames(traits) <-	c("	name", "age", "gender")
15	> t1	caits[,1] <- sapply	(st	<pre>rsplit(as.character(traits[,1]), " "), "[", 1)</pre>

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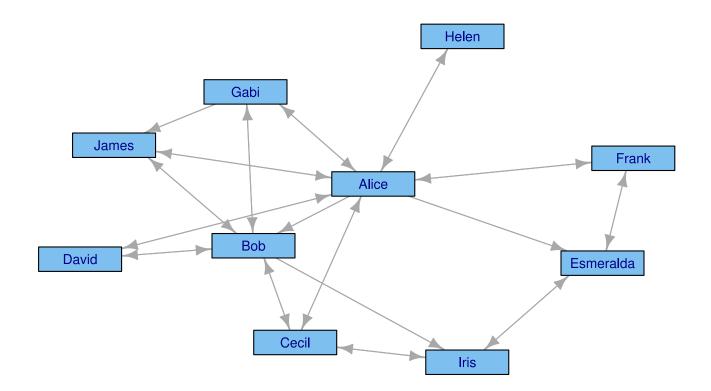
2	> re	elations <-	read.csv("re	lat	ions	.cs	v",	v", head
	> re	lations							
		V1	V2	V3	V4	V5			
	1	Bob		N		4			
	2		Bob						
	3		Alice						
	4	David	Alice	Ν	3	4			
	5	David	Bob	Ν	4	2			
	6	Esmeralda	Alice	Y	4	3			
	7	Frank	Alice	Ν	3	2			
	8	Frank	Esmeralda	Ν	4	4			
	9	Gabi	Bob	Y	5	5			
	10	Gabi	Alice	N	3	0			
	11	Helen	Alice	Ν	4	1			
	12	Iris	Cecil	Ν	0	1			
	•••								
2	> cc	lnames(rel	ations) <-	с("fr	om",	"to",		"sai
		"fri	endship",	"ad	vic	e")			

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- 1 > orgnet <- graph.data.frame(relations, vertices=traits)</pre>
- 2 > summary(orgnet)
- 3 Vertices: 10
- 4 Edges: 34
- 5 Directed: TRUE
- 6 No graph attributes.
- 7 Vertex attributes: name, age, gender.
- 8 Edge attributes: same.room, friendship, advice.

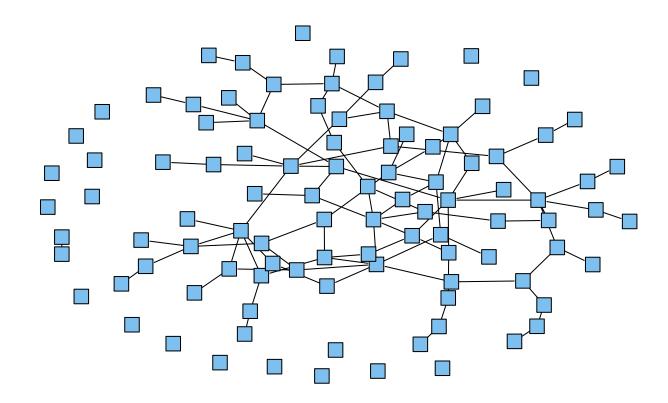
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1 > plot(orgnet, layout=layout.kamada.kawai, vertex.label=V(orgnet)\$name, 2 vertex.shape="rectangle", vertex.size=20, asp=FALSE)



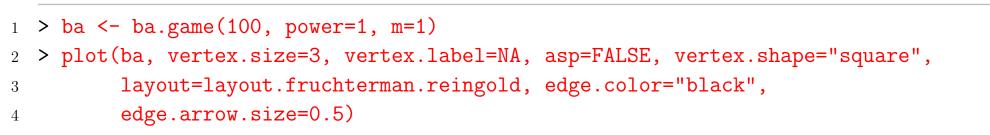
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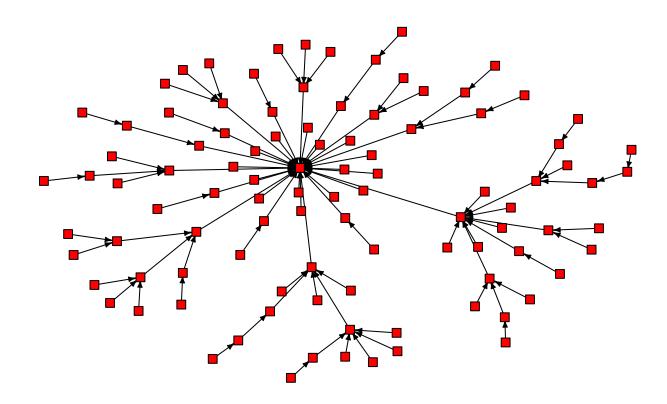
- 1 > er <- erdos.renyi.game(100, 100, type="gnm")</pre>
- 2 > plot(er, vertex.size=5, vertex.label=NA, asp=FALSE, vertex.shape="square",
 - layout=layout.fruchterman.reingold, edge.color="black")



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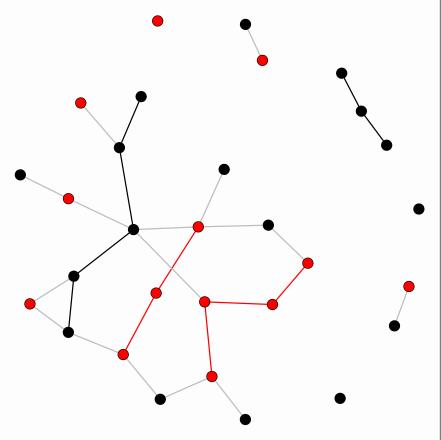
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- Easy access of attributes:

```
1 > g <- erdos.renyi.game(30, 2/30)
2 > V(g)$color <- sample( c("red", "black"),
3 vcount(g), rep=TRUE)
4 > V(g)$color
5 [1] "red" "black" "red" "black" "black" "red" "red"
6 [10] "black" "black" "black" "red" "black" "red" "black" "black"
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Vertex/edge selection with attributes

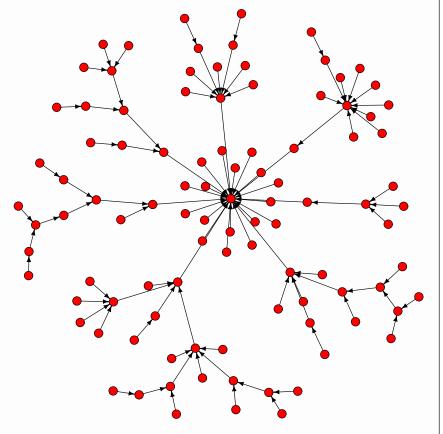




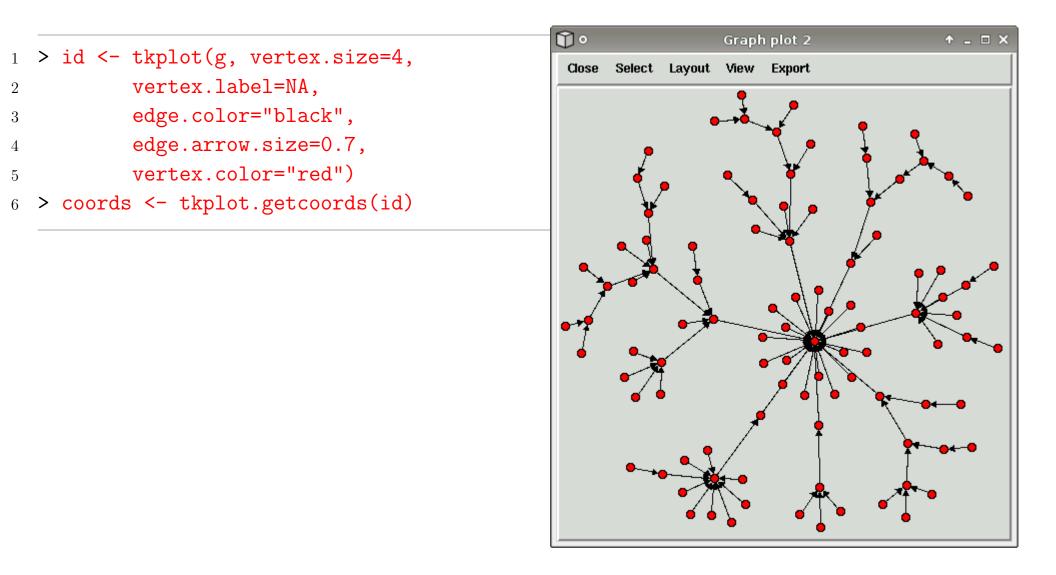
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- plot Uses traditional R graphics, non-interactive, 2d. Publication quality plots in all formats R supports.

```
1 > g <- barabasi.game(100, m=1)
2 > igraph.par("plot.layout",
3 layout.fruchterman.reingold)
4 > plot(g, vertex.size=4, vertex.label=NA,
5 edge.arrow.size=0.7,
6 edge.color="black",
7 vertex.color="red", frame=TRUE)
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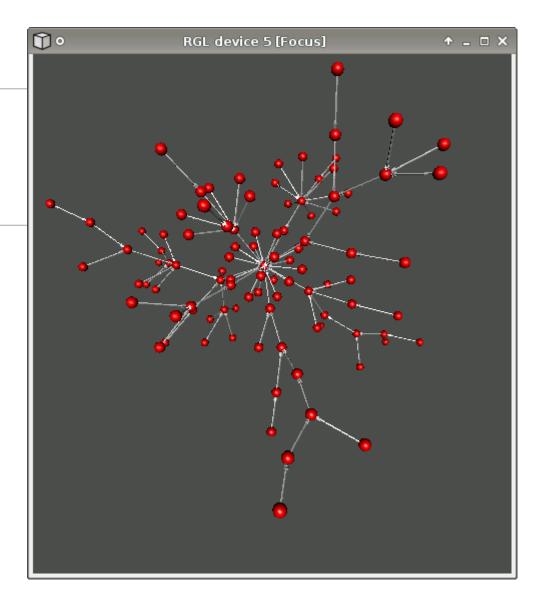


tkplot Uses Tcl/Tk via the tcltk package, interactive, 2d.



rglplot Needs the rgl package.

```
1 > co <- layout.kamada.kawai(g, dim=3)
2 > rglplot(g, vertex.size=5,
3 vertex.label=NA,
4 layout=co)
```



- 1 > vertices <- read.csv("http://cneurocvs.rmki.kfki.hu/igraph/judicial.csv")</pre>
- 2 > edges <- read.table("http://cneurocvs.rmki.kfki.hu/igraph/allcites.txt")</pre>
- 3 > jg <- graph.data.frame(edges, vertices=vertices, dir=TRUE)</pre>
- 4 > summary(jg)
- 5 Vertices: 30288
- 6 Edges: 216738
- 7 Directed: TRUE
- 8 No graph attributes.
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- 5 **[1] 4881**

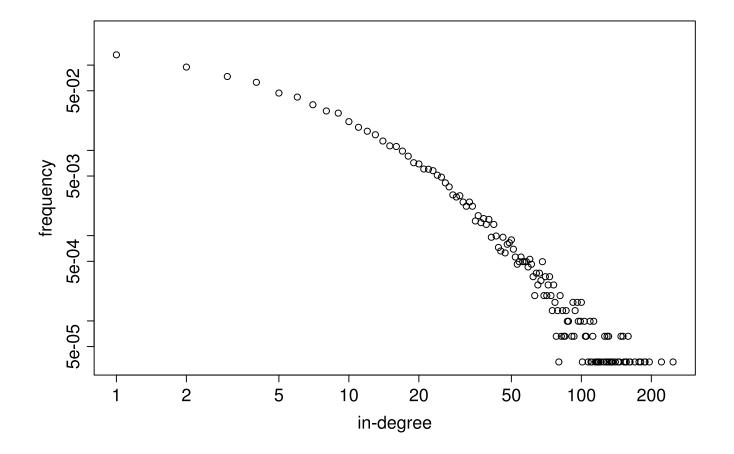
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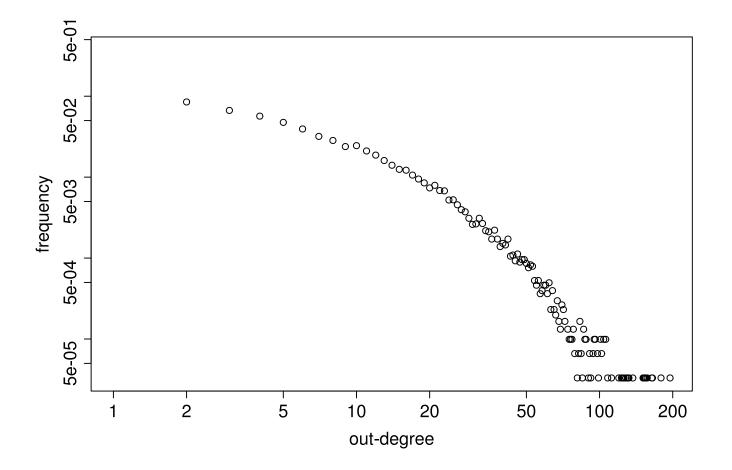
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                                  # How big are these?
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12 > max(degree(jg, mode="in"))
                                     # Vertex degree
   [1] 248
13
14 > max(degree(jg, mode="out"))
  [1] 195
15
16 > max(degree(jg, mode="all"))
17 [1] 313
```

- 1 # In-degree distribution
- 2 > plot(degree.distribution(jg, mode="in"), log="xy")



- 1 # Out-degree distribution
- 2 plot(degree.distribution(jg, mode="out"), log="xy")



- 1 # Taking the largest component
- 2 > cl <- clusters(jg)</pre>
- 3 > jg2 <- subgraph(jg, which(cl\$membership == which.max(cl\$csize)-1)-1)</pre>
- 4 > summary(jg2)
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- 6 Edges: 216718
- 7 Directed: TRUE
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- 2 **[1]** 0.0003362180

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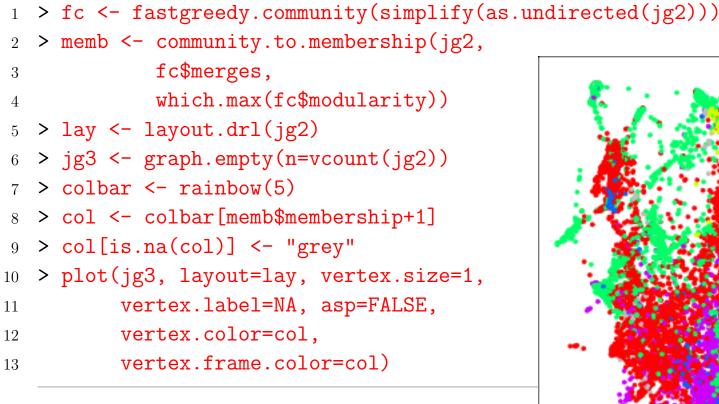
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- 3
- 4 > transitivity(jg2)
- 5 **[1] 0.1260031**

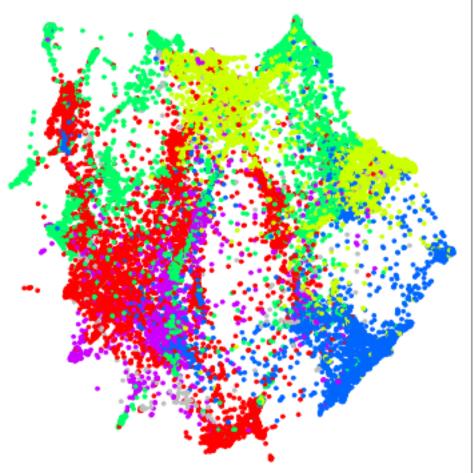
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4 > transitivity(jg2)
                                                 # Transitivity
    [1] 0.1260031
5
6
7 # Transitivity of a random graph of the same size
8 > g <- erdos.renyi.game(vcount(jg2), ecount(jg2), type="gnm")</pre>
9 > transitivity(g)
  [1] 0.00064649
10
11
12 # Transitivity of a random graph with the same degrees
13 > g2 <- degree.sequence.game(degree(jg2,mode="all"), method="vl")</pre>
14 > transitivity(g2)
  [1] 0.004107072
15
```

Community structure detection





Functionality, what can be calculated?

Fast (millions)	creating graphs (most of the time) • structural modification (add/delete edges/vertices) • subgraph • simplify • graph.decompose • degree • clusters • graph.density • is.simple, is.loop, is.multiple • articulation points and biconnected components • ARPACK stuff: page.rank, hub.score, authority.score, eigenvector centrality • transitivity • Burt's constraint • dyad & triad census, graph motifs • k-cores • MST • reciprocity • modularity • closeness and (edge) betweenness estimation • shortest paths from one source • generating $G_{n,p}$ and $G_{n,m}$ graphs • generating PA graphs with various PA exponents • topological sort
Slow (10000)	closeness • diameter • betweenness • all-pairs shortest paths, average path length • most layout generators •
Very slow (100)	cliques • cohesive blocks • edge/vertex connectivity • maximum flows and minimum cuts • power centrality • alpha centrality • (sub)graph isomorphism

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- In general. The GraphML and GML file formats are fully supported, many programs can read/write these.

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