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attributeData	<i>Sample Attribute Data</i>
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Description

A data set that sample attribute data to complement Sample Data 1. This data was randomly generated. This data set is for students who are currently taking a STEM course at a major university. 4 students are in this sample study.

Usage

```
attributeData
```

Format

A data frame of 4 rows with 12 variables

node Student identifier in the group

gender Gender of student

ethnicity Ethnicity of student

current_gpa Current overall GPA of student

first_generation If the student is a first generation standing

stem_major If student is in a STEM major

major Major of the student

course_reason Reasons to why student is taking the course

class_level Current class standing at the university

number_prior_ap Number of prior AP courses taken

residency Current residency of the student

sat_score SAT score for admission ...

basicPlot

Plot Graphs

Description

Plots the graph using the base plot function. To map attributes on the graph use 'plot1Att' for 1 attribute or 'plot2Att' for 2 attributes.

Usage

```
basicPlot(
  ginp,
  graph_selection_input = 0,
  curvedEdgeLines = TRUE,
  arrowSizeMultiplier = 1,
  scaledEdgeLines = FALSE,
  scaledMin = NULL,
  scaledMax = NULL
)
```

Arguments

ginp The prepared graph object from prepareGraphs function

graph_selection_input The type of graphical projection to be used. Default projection is 0 (Fruchterman Reingold). Selection must be a numeric option from 0-2. Other options include: 1 = Kamada Kawai, 2 = Reingold Tilford

curvedEdgeLines Whether or not the edges between nodes should be curved or straight. Default is curved lines.

arrowSizeMultiplier Adjusts the default arrow size based on a multiplier. Default value is 1.

scaledEdgeLines Whether or not the edges of the graph should be scaled

scaledMin If scaledEdgeLines = TRUE, then what the lightest weight should be scaled to

scaledMax If scaledEdgeLines = TRUE, then what the heaviest weight should be scaled to

Value

Returns graphical plot to disk, if selected, or to R console

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)

#Plot the graph
basicPlot(baseNet)
```

coreNetAnalysis	<i>Run Graphical Analysis Core Parameters</i>
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Description

Analyzes the graphs with the core parameters, such as number of edges and nodes, density, average degree, centrality, and modularity

Usage

```
coreNetAnalysis(ginp)
```

Arguments

`ginp` The prepared graph object from prepareGraphs function

Value

Gives the edge and weighted edge counts, number of nodes, density, degree (averages), memberships, modularity, centrality, articulation points, and strong/weak plots as a list object

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)

coreNetAnalysis(baseNet)
```

discourseGT	<i>discourseGT: A package to analyze groups patterns using graph theory in educational settings</i>
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Description

discourseGT is a library that utilizes the various network libraries to produce network analysis in educational settings

edgelist_raw	<i>Process raw order lists from two column format to edge lists</i>
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Description

Takes raw input that is in a 2 column format/question-and-response format and generates an appropriate edge lists in a combined .csv file.

Usage

```
edgelist_raw(input_file, iscsvfile = TRUE)
```

Arguments

input_file	Source of the raw input file. Must be in a .csv format
iscsvfile	Sets if the input_file is a csv file or a R data frame object

Value

Saves the weight and edge lists as a data.frame object or a .csv file to disk.

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1  
prepNet <- edgelist_raw(df, iscsvfile = FALSE)
```

plot1Att	<i>Plots Graphs using ggplot2 with one attribute</i>
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Description

Plots graph data using the GGally library and ggnet function while incorporating demographic properties. Use this plot function if you have all demographic data available to plot.

Usage

```
plot1Att(  
  data,  
  prop = 20,  
  graphmode = "fruchtermanreingold",  
  attribute = NULL,  
  attribute.label = NULL,  
  attribute.node.labels = NULL,  
  attribute.nodesize = 10  
)
```

Arguments

data	Data from the prepareGraphs function
prop	Rescaling the graph edge sizes for the plot
graphmode	Type of graphical projection to use. Default is Fruchterman Reingold. Refer to gplot.layout for the various available options
attribute	Mapping to the attribute information, can be list or column in data frame
attribute.label	Name of the attribute info (Required)
attribute.node.labels	Mapping to the node labels, can be list or column in data frame
attribute.nodesize	Size of the nodes. Default will result in size of 10. Can be replaced with custom mapping in list or column in data frame. (Required)

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
attdata <- attributeData
plot1Att(baseNet, prop = 20, graphmode = "fruchtermanreingold",
attribute = attdata$gender,
attribute.label = "Gender",
attribute.node.labels = attdata$node, attribute.nodesize = 12)
```

plot2Att

Plots Graphs using ggplot2 with two attributes

Description

Plots graph data using the GGally library and ggnet function while incorporating demographic properties. Use this plot function if you have all demographic data available to plot.

Usage

```
plot2Att(
  data,
  prop = 20,
  graphmode = "fruchtermanreingold",
  attribute1 = NULL,
  attribute2 = NULL,
  attribute1.label = "Attribute 1",
  attribute2.label = "Attribute 2",
  attribute.node.labels = NULL,
  attribute.nodesize = 10
)
```

Arguments

data	Data from the prepareGraphs function
prop	Rescaling the graph edge sizes for the plot
graphmode	Type of graphical projection to use. Default is Fruchterman Reingold. Refer to <code>gplot.layout</code> for the various available options
attribute1	Mapping to the attribute 1 information, can be list or column in data frame (Required)
attribute2	Mapping to the attribute 2 information, can be list or column in data frame (Required)
attribute1.label	Name of the attribute 1 info (Required)
attribute2.label	Name of the attribute 2 info (Required)
attribute.node.labels	Mapping to the node labels, can be list or column in data frame (Required)
attribute.nodesize	Size of the nodes. Default will result in size of 10. Can be replaced with custom mapping in list or column in data frame. (Required)

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
attdata <- attributeData
plot2Att(baseNet, prop = 20, graphmode = "fruchtermanreingold",
attribute1 = attdata$gender, attribute2 = attdata$ethnicity,
attribute1.label = "Gender", attribute2.label = "Ethnicity",
attribute.node.labels = attdata$node, attribute.nodesize = 12)
```

plotNGTData

Plot non-graphical parameters

Description

Creates plots for non-graph theory parameters for episode lengths, questions per hour versus responses per hour, and normalized turn ratio

Usage

```
plotNGTData(data, convoMinutes, iscsvfile = TRUE, silentNodes = 0)
```

Arguments

data	Original raw input data in ordered question/response 2 column format
convoMinutes	Time length of the conversation in the graph in minutes
iscsvfile	Sets if the input data file to function is a .csv file or a R data frame object
silentNodes	The number of nodes that do not interact with other nodes but are in the group

Value

Creates a plot returning the questions per hour versus responses per hour, frequency plot of the number of episodes, and normalized turn ratio

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
plotNGTData(df, convoMinutes = 60, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
```

prepareGraphs	<i>Prepare Graphs</i>
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Description

Prepares the graphical object from the prepared edge and weight list data frame

Usage

```
prepareGraphs(raw_data_input, project_title = "", weightedGraph = TRUE)
```

Arguments

raw_data_input	The raw edge and weight list processed from the tabulate_edges() function.
project_title	The title of the project.
weightedGraph	Graph will add weights to the edges to a set of nodes based on the weight specified on the list. Default allows for weights on the graph.

Value

Stores the igraph graph object, graph adjacency matrix, edge and weight lists, project title, and a user option for weighted to list object.

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
```

 sampleData1

Sample Episode Start and Episode Continuation Data (2 Column)

Description

A data set that contains Episode Start (in this case, questions) and Episode Continuation (in this case, responses) data in a 2 column format. This data was randomly generated. Case basis: 4 students in a group discussion questions in a STEM course at a major university.

Usage

```
sampleData1
```

Format

A data frame with 466 rows and 2 variables:

ep_start If participant in the graph has initiated an episode

ep_cont If participant in the graph has raised a response to the previous episode ...

 subgroupsNetAnalysis *Runs subgroup analysis on graphs*

Description

Performs a subgroup analysis on the graph

Usage

```
subgroupsNetAnalysis(ginp, raw_input = NULL, normalized = FALSE)
```

Arguments

ginp	The prepared graph object from prepareGraphs function
raw_input	The data of the original .csv file
normalized	Normalize the betweenness centrality values

Value

Saves number of potential cliques, cores, symmetry of the graph, dyads in graphs, node composition in proposed cliques, neighbors adjacent to each node, transitivity (local and global) as a list object

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
subgroupsNetAnalysis(baseNet, raw_input = df)
```

summaryNet

Print summary of graph results

Description

Returns a summary of the processed graph results on console. The initial graph configuration and core analysis is required for this function to work. The other components are optional due to the modular nature of the functions. Data must be stored as a data object.

Usage

```
summaryNet(
  netintconfigData = NULL,
  coreNetAnalysisData = NULL,
  subgroupsNetAnalysisData = NULL,
  display = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

netintconfigData	Data object where the graph configuration data is stored (from 'prepareGraphs')
coreNetAnalysisData	Data object where the core analysis data is stored (from 'coreNetAnalysis')
subgroupsNetAnalysisData	Data object where subgroup analysis data is stored (from 'subgroupsNetAnalysis')
display	Should the output be displayed in the R console? Results are saved as the project name in the initial config data as a text file on disk.

Value

Prints organized summary of all results of the graph with modular components on console or to .txt file on disk.

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
prepGraphs <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
coreNet <- coreNetAnalysis(prepGraphs)
subgroup <- subgroupsNetAnalysis(prepGraphs, raw_input = df)
summaryNet(netintconfigData = prepGraphs, coreNetAnalysisData = coreNet,
subgroupsNetAnalysisData = subgroup, display = TRUE)
```

tabulate_edges	<i>Process raw order lists from two column format to edge and weight lists</i>
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Description

Takes raw input that is in a 2 column format/question-and-response format and generates an appropriate edge and weight lists in a combined .csv file. The weights in this function are determined by the number of occurrences a specific edge has occurred in the graph

Usage

```
tabulate_edges(input, iscsvfile = TRUE, silentNodes = 0)
```

Arguments

input	Input in question-and-response format. Must be a data.frame or file name of a .csv
iscsvfile	Sets if the input is a csv file or a R data frame object
silentNodes	The number of nodes that do not interact with other nodes but are in the group

Value

Saves the weight and edge lists as a data.frame object or a .csv file to disk.

Examples

```
df <- sampleData1
tabData <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
```

`writeData`*Exports graphs and data objects from the package to disk*

Description

Saves information from graphs and data objects created by package. Plots are saved as .tiff at 300 dpi

Usage

```
writeData(project_name, objectfile, dirpath = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>project_name</code>	Name of the project
<code>objectfile</code>	The saved data object data file
<code>dirpath</code>	The working directory that the files will be saved to. Path required for write function to work. Current directory, use "." as the dirpath

Value

Saves the requested object file to disk. Saves graphs or summary information sheets.

Examples

```
attributeData <- attributeData
df <- sampleData1

prepNet <- tabulate_edges(df, iscsvfile = FALSE, silentNodes = 0)
baseNet <- prepareGraphs(prepNet, project_title = "Sample Data 1", weightedGraph = TRUE)
NetPlots2 <- plot2Att(baseNet, attribute1 = attributeData$ethnicity,
  attribute2 = attributeData$gender, attribute.node.labels = attributeData$node,
  attribute1.label = "Ethnicity", attribute2.label = "Gender")

writeData("Sample Data 1", NetPlots2, dirpath = tempdir())
```

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