

R igraph manual pages

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Various methods for creating graphs

Description

These method can create various (mostly regular) graphs: empty graphs, graphs with the given edges, graphs from adjacency matrices, star graphs, lattices, rings, trees.

Usage

```
graph.empty(n=0, directed=TRUE)
graph(edges, n=max(edges), directed=TRUE)
graph.star(n, mode = c("in", "out", "mutual", "undirected"), center = 1)
graph.lattice(dimvector = NULL, length = NULL, dim = NULL, nei = 1,
              directed = FALSE, mutual = FALSE, circular = FALSE, ...)
graph.ring(n, directed = FALSE, mutual = FALSE, circular=TRUE)
graph.tree(n, children = 2, mode=c("out", "in", "undirected"))
graph.full(n, directed = FALSE, loops = FALSE)
graph.full.citation(n, directed = TRUE)
graph.atlas(n)
graph.edgelist(el, directed=TRUE)
graph.extended.chordal.ring(n, w)
```

Arguments

- edges** Numeric vector defining the edges, the first edge points from the first element to the second, the second edge from the third to the fourth, etc.
- directed** Logical, if TRUE a directed graph will be created. Note that for while most constructors the default is TRUE, for `graph.lattice` and `graph.ring` it is FALSE. For `graph.star` the `mode` argument should be used for creating an undirected graph.
- n** The number of vertices in the graph for most functions.
- For `graph` this parameter is ignored if there is a bigger vertex id in `edges`. This means that for this function it is safe to supply zero here if the vertex with the largest id is not an isolate.
- For `graph.atlas` this is the number (id) of the graph to create.
- mode** For `graph.star` it defines the direction of the edges, `in`: the edges point to the center, `out`: the edges point *from* the center, `mutual`: a directed star is created with mutual edges, `undirected`: the edges are undirected.
- For `igraph.tree` this parameter defines the direction of the edges. `out` indicates that the edges point from the parent to the children, `in` indicates that they point from the children to their parents, while `undirected` creates an undirected graph.

<code>center</code>	For <code>graph.star</code> the center vertex of the graph, by default the first vertex.
<code>dimvector</code>	A vector giving the size of the lattice in each dimension, for <code>graph.lattice</code> .
<code>nei</code>	The distance within which (inclusive) the neighbors on the lattice will be connected. This parameter is not used right now.
<code>mutual</code>	Logical, if TRUE directed lattices will be mutually connected.
<code>circular</code>	Logical, if TRUE the lattice or ring will be circular.
<code>length</code>	Integer constant, for regular lattices, the size of the lattice in each dimension.
<code>dim</code>	Integer constant, the dimension of the lattice.
<code>children</code>	Integer constant, the number of children of a vertex (except for leafs) for <code>graph.tree</code> .
<code>loops</code>	If TRUE also loops edges (self edges) are added.
<code>graph</code>	An object.
<code>el</code>	An edge list, a two column matrix, character or numeric. See details below.
<code>w</code>	A matrix which specifies the extended chordal ring. See details below.
<code>...</code>	Currently ignored.

Details

All these functions create graphs in a deterministic way.

`graph.empty` is the simplest one, this creates an empty graph.

`graph` creates a graph with the given edges.

`graph.star` creates a star graph, in this every single vertex is connected to the center vertex and nobody else.

`graph.lattice` is a flexible function, it can create lattices of arbitrary dimensions, periodic or unperiodic ones. It has two forms. In the first form you only supply `dimvector`, but not `length` and `dim`. In the second form you omit `dimvector` and supply `length` and `dim`.

`graph.ring` is actually a special case of `graph.lattice`, it creates a one dimensional circular lattice.

`graph.tree` creates regular trees.

`graph.full` simply creates full graphs.

`graph.full.citation` creates a full citation graph. This is a directed graph, where every $i > j$ edge is present if and only if $j < i$. If `directed=FALSE` then the graph is just a full graph.

`graph.atlas` creates graphs from the book An Atlas of Graphs by Roland C. Read and Robin J. Wilson. The atlas contains all undirected graphs with up to seven vertices, numbered from 0 up to 1252. The graphs are listed:

1. in increasing order of number of nodes;
2. for a fixed number of nodes, in increasing order of the number of edges;

3. for fixed numbers of nodes and edges, in increasing order of the degree sequence, for example $111223 < 112222$;
4. for fixed degree sequence, in increasing number of automorphisms.

`graph.edgelist` creates a graph from an edge list. Its argument is a two-column matrix, each row defines one edge. If it is a numeric matrix then its elements are interpreted as vertex ids. If it is a character matrix then it is interpreted as symbolic vertex names and a vertex id will be assigned to each name, and also a `name` vertex attribute will be added.

`graph.extended.chordal.ring` creates an extended chordal ring. An extended chordal ring is regular graph, each node has the same degree. It can be obtained from a simple ring by adding some extra edges specified by a matrix. Let p denote the number of columns in the 'W' matrix. The extra edges of vertex i are added according to column $i \bmod p$ in 'W'. The number of extra edges is the number of rows in 'W': for each row j an edge $i \rightarrow i + w[ij]$ is added if $i + w[ij]$ is less than the number of total nodes. See also Kotsis, G: Interconnection Topologies for Parallel Processing Systems, PARS Mitteilungen 11, 1-6, 1993.

Value

Every function documented here returns a `graph` object.

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See Also

`graph.adjacency` ([graph.adjacency.html](#)) to create graphs from adjacency matrices,
`graph.formula` ([graph.formula.html](#)) for a handy way to create small graphs,
`graph.data.frame` ([graph.data.frame.html](#)) for an easy way to create graphs with many edge/vertex attributes.

Examples

```
g1 <- graph.empty()
g2 <- graph( c(1,2,2,3,3,4,5,6), directed=FALSE )
g5 <- graph.star(10, mode="out")
g6 <- graph.lattice(c(5,5,5))
g7 <- graph.lattice(length=5, dim=3)
g8 <- graph.ring(10)
g9 <- graph.tree(10, 2)
g10 <- graph.full(5, loops=TRUE)
g11 <- graph.full.citation(10)
g12 <- graph.atlas(sample(0:1252, 1))
el <- matrix( c("foo", "bar", "bar", "foobar"), nc=2, byrow=TRUE)
g13 <- graph.edgelist(el)
g15 <- graph.extended.chordal.ring(15, matrix(c(3,12,4,7,8,11), nr=2))
```

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