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converts to character with minimal loss of precision for numeric variables

# Description

converts to character with minimal loss of precision for numeric variables

# Usage

as.char(x, ...)

#### Arguments

х	the value
	passed to either format or as.character.

as.rds.data.frame Coerces a data.frame object into an rds.data.frame object.

#### Description

This function converts a regular R data frame into an rds.data.frame. The greatest advantage of this is that it performs integrity checks and will fail if the recruitment information in the original data frame is incomplete.

#### Usage

```
as.rds.data.frame(
  df,
  id = if (is.null(attr(df, "id"))) "id" else attr(df, "id"),
  recruiter.id = if (is.null(attr(df, "recruiter.id"))) {
     "recruiter.id"
} else
    attr(df, "recruiter.id"),
 network.size = if (is.null(attr(df, "network.size.variable"))) {
    "network.size.variable"
} else attr(df, "network.size.variable"),
 population.size = if (all(is.na(get.population.size(df, FALSE)))) {
    NULL
} else
    get.population.size(df, FALSE),
 max.coupons = if (is.null(attr(df, "max.coupons"))) {
    NULL
} else attr(df,
    "max.coupons"),
 notes = if (is.null(attr(df, "notes"))) {
     NULL
} else attr(df, "time"),
  time = if (is.null(attr(df, "time"))) {
     NULL
} else attr(df, "time"),
  check.valid = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

df	A data.frame representing an RDS sample.
id	The unique identifier.
recruiter.id	The unique identifier of the recruiter of this row.
network.size	The number of alters (i.e. possible recruitees).
population.siz	e
	The size of the population from which this RDS sample has been drawn. Either a single number, or a vector of length three indicating low, mid and high estimates.
max.coupons	The number of recruitment coupons distributed to each enrolled subject (i.e. the maximum number of recruitees for any subject).
notes	Data set notes.
time	the name of the recruitment time variable. optional.
check.valid	If true, validity checks are performed to ensure that the data is well formed.

## Value

An rds.data.frame object

## Examples

assert.valid.rds.data.frame

Does various checks and throws errors if x is not a valid rds.data.frame

## Description

Does various checks and throws errors if x is not a valid rds.data.frame

## Usage

```
assert.valid.rds.data.frame(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

Х	an rds.data.frame
	unused

## Details

Throws an informative message if x is malformed.

```
bootstrap.contingency.test
```

Performs a bootstrap test of independance between two categorical variables

#### Description

Performs a bootstrap test of independance between two categorical variables

#### Usage

```
bootstrap.contingency.test(
  rds.data,
  row.var,
  col.var,
  number.of.bootstrap.samples = 1000,
  weight.type = c("HCG", "RDS-II", "Arithmetic Mean"),
  table.only = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	an rds.data.frame
row.var	the name of the first categorical variable
col.var	the name of the second categorical variable
number.of.bootstrap.samples	
	The number of simulated boootstrap populations
weight.type	The type of weighting to use for the contingency table. Only large sample methods are allowed.
table.only	only returns the weighted table, without bootstrap.
verbose	level of output
	Additional parameters for compute_weights

#### Details

This function first estimates a Homophily Configuration Graph model for the underlying network under the assumption that the two variables are independent and that the population size is large. It then draws bootstrap RDS samples from this population distribution and calculates the chi.squared statistic on the weighted contingency table. Weights are calculated using the HCG estimator assuming a large population size.

## bootstrap.incidence

## Examples

```
data(faux)
bootstrap.contingency.test(rds.data=faux, row.var="X", col.var="Y",
    number.of.bootstrap.samples=50, verbose=FALSE)
```

bootstrap.incidence Calculates incidence and bootstrap confidence intervals for immunoassay data collected with RDS

## Description

Calculates incidence and bootstrap confidence intervals for immunoassay data collected with RDS

## Usage

```
bootstrap.incidence(
  rds.data,
  recent.variable,
 hiv.variable,
 N = NULL,
 weight.type = c("Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-I (DS)", "RDS-II", "Arithmetic Mean", "HCG"),
 mean.duration = 200,
  frr = 0.01,
  post.infection.cutoff = 730,
  number.of.bootstrap.samples = 1000,
  se.mean.duration = 0,
  se.frr = 0,
  confidence.level = 0.95,
  verbose = TRUE,
  . . .
)
```

rds.data	an rds.data.frame
recent.variabl	e
	The name of the variable indicating recent infection
hiv.variable	The name of the variable indicating of hiv infection
Ν	Population size
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I/DS", and "Arithemic Mean". It defaults to "Gile's SS".
mean.duration	Estimated mean duration of recent infection (MDRI) (days)
frr	Estimated false-recent rate (FRR)

<pre>post.infection.</pre>	cutoff
	Post-infection time cut-off T, separating "true-recent" from "false-recent" results
	(days)
number.of.boots	trap.samples
	The number of bootstrap samples used to construct the interval.
<pre>se.mean.duratio</pre>	n
	The standard error of the mean.duration estimate
se.frr	The standard error of the false recency estimate
confidence.leve	1
	The level of confidence for the interval
verbose	verbosity control
	additional arguments to compute.weights

#### Details

The recent.variable and hiv should be the names of logical variables. Otherwise they are converted to logical using as.numeric(x) > 0.5.

This function estimates incidence using RDS sampling wieghts. Confidence intervals are constucted using HCG bootstraps. See http://www.incidence-estimation.org/ for additional information on (non-RDS) incidence estimation.

#### Examples

```
data(faux)
faux$hiv <- faux$X == "blue"
faux$recent <- NA
faux$recent[faux$hiv] <- runif(sum(faux$hiv)) < .2
faux$recent[runif(nrow(faux)) > .5] <- NA
faux$hiv[is.na(faux$recent)][c(1,6,10,21)] <- NA
attr(faux,"time") <- "wave"
bootstrap.incidence(faux,"recent","hiv",weight.type="RDS-II", number.of.bootstrap.samples=100)</pre>
```

bottleneck.plot Bottleneck Plot

#### Description

Bottleneck Plot

## Usage

```
bottleneck.plot(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  est.func = RDS.II.estimates,
  as.factor = FALSE,
  n.eval.points = 25,
  ...
)
```

## compute.weights

#### Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame.
outcome.variable	
	A character vector of outcome variables.
est.func	A function taking rds.data and outcome.variable as parameters and returning an rds.weighted.estimate object.
as.factor	Convert all outcome variables to factors
n.eval.points	number of evaluation points to calculate the estimates at
	additional parameters for est.func.

#### References

Krista J. Gile, Lisa G. Johnston, Matthew J. Salganik *Diagnostics for Respondent-driven Sampling* eprint arXiv:1209.6254, 2012

## Examples

```
data(fauxmadrona)
bottleneck.plot(fauxmadrona,"disease")
```

compute.weights	Compute estimates of the sampling weights of the respondent's obser-
	vations based on various estimators

## Description

Compute estimates of the sampling weights of the respondent's observations based on various estimators

## Usage

```
compute.weights(
  rds.data,
  weight.type = c("Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-I (DS)", "RDS-II", "Arithmetic Mean", "HCG"),
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  control = control.rds.estimates(),
  ...
)
```

# Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I/DS", and "Arithemic Mean". It defaults to "Gile's SS".
Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the population.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing, the weights will sum to 1. Note that this parameter is required for Gile's SS.
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like subset = seed > 0 to exclude seeds. It can also be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.
control	A list of control parameters for algorithm tuning. Constructed using control.rds.estimates.
	Additional parameters passed to the individual weighting algorithms.

#### Value

A vector of weights for each of the respondents. It is of the same size as the number of rows in rds.data.

## See Also

rds.I.weights, gile.ss.weights, vh.weights

control.list.accessor Named element accessor for ergm control lists

## Description

Utility method that overrides the standard '\$' list accessor to disable partial matching for ergm control.list objects

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'control.list'
object$name
```

object	list-coearceable object with elements to be searched
name	literal character name of list element to search for and return

#### control.rds.estimates

#### Details

Executes getElement instead of \$ so that element names must match exactly to be returned and partially matching names will not return the wrong object.

#### Value

Returns the named list element exactly matching name, or NULL if no matching elements found

#### Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

## See Also

see getElement

control.rds.estimates Auxiliary for Controlling RDS.bootstrap.intervals

#### Description

Auxiliary function as user interface for fine-tuning RDS.bootstrap.intervals algorithm, which computes interval estimates for via bootstrapping.

#### Usage

```
control.rds.estimates(
  confidence.level = 0.95,
  SS.infinity = 0.01,
  lowprevalence = c(8, 14),
  discrete.cutoff = 0.8,
  useC = TRUE,
  number.of.bootstrap.samples = NULL,
  hcg.reltol = sqrt(.Machine$double.eps),
  hcg.BS.reltol = 1e+05 * sqrt(.Machine$double.eps),
  hcg.max.optim = 500,
  seed = NULL
)
```

#### Arguments

confidence.level

The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%.

SS.infinity The sample proportion, n/N, below which the computation of the SS weights should simplify to that of the RDS-II weights.

lowprevalence	Standard confidence interval procedures can be inaccurate when the outcome expected count is close to zero. This sets conditions where alternatives to the standard are used for the ci.type="hmg" option. See Details for its use.
discrete.cutoff	
	The minimum proportion of the values of the outcome variable that need to be unique before the variable is judged to be continuous.
useC	Use a C-level implementation of Gile's bootstrap (rather than the R level). The implementations should be computational equivalent (except for speed).
number.of.boots	strap.samples
	The number of bootstrap samples to take in estimating the uncertainty of the estimator. If NULL it defaults to the number necessary to compute the standard error to accuracy 0.001.
hcg.reltol	Relative convergence tolerance for the HCG estimator. The algorithm stops if it is unable to reduce the log-likelihood by a factor of reltol * (abs(log-likelihood) + reltol) at a step. Defaults to sqrt(.Machine\$double.eps), typically about 1e-8.
hcg.BS.reltol	Relative convergence tolerance for the bootstrap of the HCG estimator. It has the same interpretation as hcg.reltol except it is applied to each bootstrap sample. It is typically the same or larger than hcg.reltol.
hcg.max.optim	The number of iterations on the likelihood optimization for the HCG estimator.
seed	Seed value (integer) for the random number generator. See set.seed

#### Details

This function is only used within a call to the RDS.bootstrap.intervals function.

Some of the arguments are not yet fully implemented. It will evolve slower to incorporate more arguments as the package develops.

Standard confidence interval procedures can be inaccurate when the outcome expected count is close to zero. In these cases the combined Agresti-Coull and the bootstrap-t interval of Mantalos and Zografos (2008) can be used. The lowprevalence argument is a two vector parameter setting the conditions under which the approximation is used. The first is the penalty term on the differential activity. If the observed number of the rare group minus the product of the first parameter and the differential activity is lower than the second parameter, the low prevalence approximation is used.

#### Value

A list with arguments as components.

#### See Also

RDS.bootstrap.intervals

## Description

This function creates diagnostic convergence plots for RDS estimators.

## Usage

```
convergence.plot(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  est.func = RDS.II.estimates,
  as.factor = FALSE,
  n.eval.points = 25,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame.	
outcome.variab	le	
	A character vector of outcome variables.	
est.func	A function taking rds.data and outcome.variable as parameters and returning an rds.weighted.estimate object.	
as.factor	Convert all outcome variables to factors	
n.eval.points	number of evaluation points to calculate the estimates at	
	additional parameters for est.func.	

#### References

Krista J. Gile, Lisa G. Johnston, Matthew J. Salganik *Diagnostics for Respondent-driven Sampling* eprint arXiv:1209.6254, 2012

## Examples

```
data(faux)
convergence.plot(faux,c("X","Y"))
```

count.transitions

*Counts the number or recruiter->recruitee transitions between different levels of the grouping variable.* 

## Description

Counts the number or recruiter->recruitee transitions between different levels of the grouping variable.

## Usage

count.transitions(rds.data, group.variable)

## Arguments

rds.data An rds.data.frame
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group.variable The name of a categorical variable in rds.data

## Examples

data(faux)
count.transitions(faux,"X")

cumulative.estimate Calculates estimates at each successive wave of the sampling process

#### Description

Calculates estimates at each successive wave of the sampling process

#### Usage

```
cumulative.estimate(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  est.func = RDS.II.estimates,
  n.eval.points = 25,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame
outcome.variab	le
	The outcome
est.func	A function taking rds.data and outcome.variable as parameters and returning an rds.weighted.estimate object
n.eval.points	number of evaluation points to calculate the estimates at
	additional parameters for est.func

```
differential.activity.estimates
```

Differential Activity between groups

## Description

Differential Activity between groups

## Usage

```
differential.activity.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  weight.type = "Gile's SS",
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame object
outcome.variab]	le
	A character string of column names representing categorical variables.
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I/DS", and "Arithemic Mean". It defaults to "Gile's SS".
Ν	The population size.
subset	An expression defining a subset of rds.data.
	Additional parameters passed to compute.weights.

#### Details

This function estimates the ratio of the average degree of one population group divided by the average degree of those in another population group.

#### Examples

```
data(faux)
differential.activity.estimates(faux,"X",weight.type="RDS-II")
```

```
export.rds.interval.estimate
```

*Convert the output of print.rds.interval.estimate from a character data.frame to a numeric matrix* 

#### Description

Convert the output of print.rds.interval.estimate from a character data.frame to a numeric matrix

#### Usage

export.rds.interval.estimate(x, proportion = TRUE)

#### Arguments

Х	An object, typically the result of print.rds.interval.estimate.
proportion	logical, Should the outcome be treated as a proportion and converted to a per- centage.

faux	A Simulated RDS Data Set	

#### Description

This is a faux set used to demonstrate RDS functions and analysis. It is used is some simple examples and has categorical variables "X", "Y" and "Z".

#### Format

An rds.data.frame object

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2010 Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology, Sociological Methodology, 40, 285-327.

#### See Also

fauxsycamore, fauxmadrona

#### Examples

```
data(faux)
RDS.I.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X')
```

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fauxmadrona

#### Description

This is a faux set used to illustrate how the estimators perform under different populations and RDS schemes.

#### Format

An rds.data.frame

#### Details

The population had N=1000 nodes. In this case, the sample size is 500 so that there is a relatively small sample fraction (50%). There is homophily on disease status (R=5) and there is differential activity by disease status whereby the infected nodes have mean degree twice that of the uninfected (w=1.8).

In the sampling, the seeds are chosen randomly from the full population, so there is no dependency induced by seed selection.

Each sample member is given 2 uniquely identified coupons to distribute to other members of the target population in their acquaintance. Further each respondent distributes their coupons completely at random from among those they are connected to.

Here are the results for this data set and the sister fauxsycamore data set:

Name	City	Туре	Mean	RDS I (SH)	RDS II (VH)	SS
fauxsycamore	Oxford	seed dependency, 70%	0.2408	0.1087	0.1372	0.1814
fauxmadrona	Seattle	no seed dependency, 50%	0.2592	0.1592	0.1644	0.1941

Even with only 50% sample, the VH is substantially biased , and the SS does much better.

#### Source

The original network is included as fauxmadrona.network as a network object. The data set also includes the data.frame of the RDS data set as fauxmadrona. Use data(package="RDS") to get a full list of datasets.

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2010 Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology, Sociological Methodology, 40, 285-327.

#### See Also

fauxsycamore, faux

fauxsycamore

#### Description

This is a faux set used to demonstrate RDS functions and analysis. The population had N=715 nodes. In this case, the sample size is 500 so that there is a relatively large sample fraction (70%). There is homophily on disease status (R=5) and there is differential activity by disease status whereby the infected nodes have mean degree twice that of the uninfected (w=1.8).

#### Format

An rds.data.frame plus the original network as a network object

#### Details

In the sampling the seeds are chosen randomly from the infected population, so there is extreme dependency induced by seed selection.

Each sample member is given 2 uniquely identified coupons to distribute to other members of the target population in their acquaintance. Further each respondent distributes their coupons completely at random from among those they are connected to.

With 70% sample, the VH is substantially biased, so the SS (and presumably MA) do much better. We expect the MA to perform a bit better than the SS.

It is network 702 and its sample from YesYes on mosix. Look for "extract702.R" The original network is included as fauxsycamore.network as a network object. The data set also includes the data.frame of the RDS data set as fauxsycamore. Use data(package="RDS") to get a full list of datasets.

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2009. Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology, Sociological Methodology, 40, 285-327.

#### See Also

faux, fauxmadrona

fauxtime

#### Description

This is a faux set used to demonstrate RDS functions and analysis.

## Format

An rds.data.frame object

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2010 Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology, Sociological Methodology, 40, 285-327.

## See Also

fauxsycamore, fauxmadrona

get.	h.	hat
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Get Horvitz-Thompson estimator assuming inclusion probability proportional to the inverse of network.var (i.e. degree).

## Description

Get Horvitz-Thompson estimator assuming inclusion probability proportional to the inverse of network.var (i.e. degree).

#### Usage

```
get.h.hat(
   rds.data,
   group.variable,
   network.var = attr(rds.data, "network.size")
)
```

rds.data	An rds.data.from
group.variable	The grouping variable.
network.var	The network.size variable.

get.id

# Description

Get the subject id

## Usage

get.id(x, check.type = TRUE)

## Arguments

Х	an rds.data.frame object
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

## Details

returns the variable indicated by the 'id' attribute, coercing to a character vector

get.net.size	Returns the network size of each subject (i.e. their degree).
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## Description

Returns the network size of each subject (i.e. their degree).

# Usage

```
get.net.size(x, check.type = TRUE)
```

x	the rds.data.frame
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

get.number.of.recruits

Calculates the number of (direct) recuits for each respondent.

## Description

Calculates the number of (direct) recuits for each respondent.

#### Usage

get.number.of.recruits(data)

## Arguments

data An rds.data.frame

## Examples

```
data(fauxmadrona)
nr <- get.number.of.recruits(fauxmadrona)
#frequency of number recruited by each id
barplot(table(nr))</pre>
```

get.population.size Returns the population size associated with the data.

## Description

Returns the population size associated with the data.

## Usage

```
get.population.size(x, check.type = TRUE)
```

х	the rds.data.frame
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

get.recruitment.time Returns the recruitment time for each subject

## Description

Returns the recruitment time for each subject

## Usage

```
get.recruitment.time(
    x,
    to.numeric = TRUE,
    wave.fallback = FALSE,
    check.type = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

Х	the rds.data.frame
to.numeric	if true, time will be converted into a numeric variable.
wave.fallback	if true, subjects' recruitment times are ordered by wave and then by data.frame index if no recruitment time variable is available.
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

get.rid

Get recruiter id

# Description

Get recruiter id

## Usage

```
get.rid(x, check.type = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

Х	an rds.data.frame object
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

#### Details

returns the variable indicated by the 'recruiter.id' attribute, coercing to a character vector

get.seed.id

## Description

Calculates the root seed id for each node of the recruitement tree.

## Usage

get.seed.id(data)

#### Arguments

data An rds.data.frame

## Examples

```
data(fauxmadrona)
seeds <- get.seed.id(fauxmadrona)
#number recruited by each seed
barplot(table(seeds))</pre>
```

get.seed.rid Gets the recruiter id associated with the seeds

## Description

Gets the recruiter id associated with the seeds

#### Usage

```
get.seed.rid(x, check.type = TRUE)
```

#### Arguments

х	an rds.data.frame object
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

## Details

All seed nodes must have the same placeholder recruiter id.

get.stationary.distribution

Markov chain statistionary distribution

## Description

Markov chain statistionary distribution

#### Usage

get.stationary.distribution(mle)

#### Arguments

mle The transition probabilities

## Value

A vector of proportions representing the proportion in each group at the stationary distribution of the Markov chain.

get.wave	Calculates the depth of the recruitment tree (i.e. the recruitment wave)
	at each node.

#### Description

Calculates the depth of the recruitment tree (i.e. the recruitment wave) at each node.

#### Usage

get.wave(data)

## Arguments

data An rds.data.frame

## Examples

data(fauxmadrona)
#number subjects in each wave
w <- get.wave(fauxmadrona)
#number recruited in each wave
barplot(table(w))</pre>

gile.ss.weights Weights using Giles SS estimator

## Description

Weights using Giles SS estimator

## Usage

```
gile.ss.weights(
    degs,
    N,
    number.ss.samples.per.iteration = 500,
    number.ss.iterations = 5,
    hajek = TRUE,
    SS.infinity = 0.04,
    se = FALSE,
    ...
)
```

## Arguments

degs	subjects' degrees (i.e. network sizes).	
Ν	Population size estimate.	
<pre>number.ss.samp1</pre>	es.per.iteration	
	The number of samples to use to estimate inclusion probabilities in a probability proportional to size without replacement design.	
number.ss.iterations		
	number of iterations to use in giles SS algorithm.	
hajek	Should the hajek estiamtor be used. If false, the HT estimator is used.	
SS.infinity	The sample proportion, $n/N,$ below which the computation of the SS weights should simplify to that of the RDS-II weights.	
se	Should covariances be included.	
	unused	

has.recruitment.time RDS data.frame has recruitment time information

## Description

RDS data.frame has recruitment time information

## Usage

```
has.recruitment.time(x, check.type = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

Х	the rds.data.frame
check.type	if true, x is required to be of type rds.data.frame

hcg.replicate.weights HCG parametric bootstrap replicate weights

## Description

HCG parametric bootstrap replicate weights

## Usage

```
hcg.replicate.weights(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  number.of.bootstrap.samples = 500,
  include.sample.weights = FALSE,
  N = NULL,
  small.fraction = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame	
outcome.variable		
	The column name of the variable defining the groups for the homophily configuration graph	
number.of.bootstrap.samples		
	The number of bootstrap replicate weights to be generated	
include.sample.weights		
	If TRUE, the first column of the returned frame are the HCG weights for the sample	
Ν	The population size	
small.fraction	If TRUE, the sample size is assumed to be small compared to the population size	

## Details

This function generates bootstrap replicate weights which may be used to analyze RDS data in other packages or software systems (e.g. the survey package with svrepdesign).

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## hcg.weights

## Value

A data.frame of replicate weights. If include.sample.weights is TRUE, the first column are the HCG weights for the observed sample.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
data("fauxmadrona")
set.seed(1)
# Generate replicate weights
result <- hcg.replicate.weights(fauxmadrona, "disease", 50, TRUE)
# Analyze with survey package and compare to internal function
if(require(survey)){
   set.seed(1)
   design <- svrepdesign(fauxmadrona, type = "bootstrap",
      weights= result[[1]], repweights = result[-1])
   svymean(~disease, design) |> print()
   RDS.bootstrap.intervals(fauxmadrona, "disease", "HCG", "HCG",
   number.of.bootstrap.samples = 50) |> print()
}
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

hcg.weights homophily configuration graph weights

#### Description

homophily configuration graph weights

#### Usage

```
hcg.weights(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  N = NULL,
  small.fraction = FALSE,
  reltol = sqrt(.Machine$double.eps),
  max.optim = 500,
  theta.start = NULL,
  weights.include.seeds = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

)

#### Arguments

rds.data An rds.data.frame

e	
The variable used to base the weights on.	
Population size	
should a small sample fraction be assumed	
Relative convergence tolerance for the HCG estimator. The algorithm stops if it is unable to reduce the log-likelihood by a factor of reltol * (abs(log-likelihood)) + reltol) at a step. Defaults to sqrt(.Machine\$double.eps), typically about 1e-8.	
The number of iterations on the likelihood optimization for the HCG estimator.	
The initial value of theta used in the likelihood optimization for the HCG es- timator. If NULL, the default, it is the margin of the table of counts for the transitions.	
weights.include.seeds	
logical Should the weights be computed including the influence of the seeds?	
Unused	

## Examples

```
data(fauxtime)
hcg.weights(fauxtime,"var1",N=3000)
fauxtime$NETWORK[c(1,100,40,82,77)] <- NA</pre>
```

homophily.estimates	This function computes an estimate of the population homophily and
	the recruitment homophily based on a categorical variable.

## Description

This function computes an estimate of the population homophily and the recruitment homophily based on a categorical variable.

## Usage

```
homophily.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  weight.type = NULL,
  uncertainty = NULL,
  recruitment = FALSE,
  N = NULL,
  to.group0.variable = NULL,
  to.group1.variable = NULL,
  number.ss.samples.per.iteration = NULL,
  confidence.level = 0.95
)
```

#### Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".	
outcome.variab	le	
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a cate- gorical or numeric variable to be analyzed.	
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I/DS", "Good-Fellows" and "Arithemic Mean". If NULL it defaults to "Gile's SS".	
uncertainty	A string giving the type of uncertainty estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS" and "Salganik". This is usually determined by weight.type to be consistent with the estimator's origins (e.g., for "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I/DS", and "Arithemic Mean"). Hence it's current functionality is limited. If NULL it defaults to "Gile's SS".	
recruitment	A logical indicating if the homophily in the recruitment chains should be com- puted also. The default is FALSE.	
Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the population.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.	
to.group0.variable		
	The number in the network of each survey respondent who have group variable value 0. Usually this is not available. The default is to not use this variable.	
to.group1.variable		
	The number in the network of each survey respondent who have group variable value 1. Usually this is not available. The default is to not use this variable.	
number.ss.samples.per.iteration		
	The number of samples to take in estimating the inclusion probabilites in each iteration of the sequential sampling algorithm. If NULL it is read as the number.ss.samples.per.iteration attribute of rds.data. If that is missing it defaults to 5000.	
confidence.leve		
	The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%.	

## Value

If outcome.variable is binary then the homophily estimate of 0 verses 1 is returned, otherwise a vector of differential homophily estimates is returned.

#### **Recruitment Homophily**

The recruitment homophily is a homophily measure for the recruitment process. It addresses the question: Do respondents differential recruit people like themselves? That is, the homophily on a variable in the recruitment chains. Take as an example infection status. In this case, it is the ratio of number of recruits that have the same infection status as their recruiter to the number we would expect if there was no homophily on infection status. The difference with the Population Homophily (see below) is that this is in the recruitment chain rather than the population of social

ties. For example, of the recruitment homophily on infection status is about 1, we see little effect of recruitment homophily on infection status (as the numbers of homophilous pairs are close to what we would expect by chance).

#### **Population Homophily**

This is an estimate the homophily of a given variable in the underlying networked population. For example, consider HIV status. The population homophily is the homophily in the HIV status of two people who are tied in the underlying population social network (a "couple"). Specifically, the population homophily is the ratio of the expected number of HIV discordant couples absent homophily to the expected number of HIV discordant couples with the homophily. Hence larger values of population homophily indicate more homophily on HIV status. For example, a value of 1 means the couple are random with respect to HIV status. A value of 2 means there are twice as many HIV discordant couples as we would expect if there was no homophily in the population. This measure is meaningful across different levels of differential activity. As we do not see most of the population network, we estimate the population homophily from the RDS data. As an example, suppose the population homophily on HIV is 0.75 so there are 25% more HIV discordant couples than expected due to chance. So their is actually heterophily on HIV in the population. If the population homophily on sex is 1.1, there are 10% more same-sex couples than expected due to chance. Hence there is modest homophily on sex.

#### Author(s)

Mark S. Handcock with help from Krista J. Gile

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2010, *Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology*. Sociological Methodology 40, 285-327.

#### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(fauxmadrona)
names(fauxmadrona)
#
# True value:
#
if(require(network)){
a=as.sociomatrix(fauxmadrona.network)
deg <- apply(a,1,sum)</pre>
dis <- fauxmadrona.network \
deg1 <- apply(a[dis==1,],1,sum)</pre>
deg0 <- apply(a[dis==0,],1,sum)</pre>
# differential activity
mean(deg1)/ mean(deg0)
p=mean(dis)
N=1000
# True homophily
p*(1-p)*mean(deg0)*mean(deg1)*N/(mean(deg)*sum(a[dis==1,dis==0]))
}
```

## impute.degree

```
# HT based estimators using the to.group information
data(fauxmadrona)
homophily.estimates(fauxmadrona,outcome.variable="disease",
    to.group0.variable="tonondiseased", to.group1.variable="todiseased",
    N=1000)
# HT based estimators not using the to.group information
homophily.estimates(fauxmadrona,outcome.variable="disease",
    N=1000,weight.type="RDS-II")
## End(Not run)
```

impute.degree

Imputes missing degree values

#### Description

Imputes missing degree values

#### Usage

```
impute.degree(
  rds.data,
  trait.variable = NULL,
  N = NULL,
  method = c("mean", "quantile"),
  quantile = 0.5,
  recruitment.lower.bound = TRUE,
  round.degree = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

rds.data	an rds.data.frame	
trait.variable	the name of the variable in rds.data to stratify the imputation by	
Ν	population size	
method	If mean, the weighted mean value is imputed, otherwize a quantile is used.	
quantile	If method is "quantile", this is the quantile that is used. Defaults to median	
recruitment.lower.bound		
	If TRUE, then for each individual, the degree is taken to be the minimum of the number of recruits plus one, and the reported degree	
round.degree	Should degrees be integer rounded.	

## Details

This function imputes degree values using the weighted mean or quantile values of the non-missing degrees. Weights are calcualted using Gile's SS if N is not NULL, or RDS-II if it is. If a trait variable is specified, means and quantile are calculated within the levels of the trait variable

## Examples

```
data(faux)
rds.data <- faux
rds.data$network.size[c(1,2,30,52,81,101,108,111)] <- NA
impute.degree(rds.data)
impute.degree(rds.data,trait.variable="X")
impute.degree(rds.data,trait.variable="X",method="quantile")</pre>
```

impute.visibility Estimates each person's personal visibility based on their selfreported degree and the number of their (direct) recruits. It uses the time the person was recruited as a factor in determining the number of recruits they produce.

## Description

Estimates each person's personal visibility based on their self-reported degree and the number of their (direct) recruits. It uses the time the person was recruited as a factor in determining the number of recruits they produce.

#### Usage

```
impute.visibility(
  rds.data,
 max.coupons = NULL,
  type.impute = c("median", "distribution", "mode", "mean"),
  recruit.time = NULL,
  include.tree = FALSE,
  reflect.time = FALSE,
  parallel = 1,
  parallel.type = "PSOCK",
  interval = 10,
  burnin = 5000,
 mem.optimism.prior = NULL,
  df.mem.optimism.prior = 5,
 mem.scale.prior = 2,
 df.mem.scale.prior = 10,
 mem.overdispersion = 15,
  return.posterior.sample.visibilities = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

#### Arguments

rds.dataAn rds.data.framemax.couponsThe number of recruitment coupons distributed to each enrolled subject (i.e. the<br/>maximum number of recruitees for any subject). By default it is taken by the<br/>attribute or data, else the maximum recorded number of coupons.

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- type.impute The type of imputation based on the conditional distribution. It can be of type distribution,mode,median, or mean with the first, the default, being a random draw from the conditional distribution.
- recruit.time vector; An optional value for the data/time that the person was interviewed. It needs to resolve as a numeric vector with number of elements the number of rows of the data with non-missing values of the network variable. If it is a character name of a variable in the data then that variable is used. If it is NULL then the sequence number of the recruit in the data is used. If it is NA then the recruitment is not used in the model. Otherwise, the recruitment time is used in the model to better predict the visibility of the person.
- include.tree logical; If TRUE, augment the reported network size by the number of recruits and one for the recruiter (if any). This reflects a more accurate value for the visibility, but is not the self-reported degree. In particular, it typically produces a positive visibility (compared to a possibility zero self-reported degree).
- reflect.time logical; If FALSE then the recruit.time is the time before the end of the study (instead of the time since the survey started or chronological time).
- parallel count; the number of parallel processes to run for the Monte-Carlo sample. This uses MPI or PSOCK. The default is 1, that is not to use parallel processing.
- parallel.type The type of parallel processing to use. The options are "PSOCK" or "MPI". This requires the corresponding type to be installed. The default is "PSOCK".
- interval count; the number of proposals between sampled statistics.
- burnin count; the number of proposals before any MCMC sampling is done. It typically is set to a fairly large number.
- mem.optimism.prior

scalar; A hyper parameter being the mean of the distribution of the optimism parameter.

df.mem.optimism.prior

scalar; A hyper parameter being the degrees-of-freedom of the prior for the optimism parameter. This gives the equivalent sample size that would contain the same amount of information inherent in the prior.

mem.scale.prior

scalar; A hyper parameter being the scale of the concentration of baseline negative binomial measurement error model.

df.mem.scale.prior

scalar; A hyper parameter being the degrees-of-freedom of the prior for the standard deviation of the dispersion parameter in the visibility model. This gives the equivalent sample size that would contain the same amount of information inherent in the prior for the standard deviation.

mem.overdispersion

scalar; A parameter being the overdispersion of the negative binomial distribution that is the baseline for the measurement error model.

return.posterior.sample.visibilities

logical; If TRUE then return a matrix of dimension samplesize by n of posterior draws from the visibility distribution for those in the survey. The sample for the ith person is the ith column. The default is FALSE so that the vector of imputes defined by type.impute is returned.

verbose logical; if this is TRUE, the program will print out additional

#### References

McLaughlin, Katherine R.; Johnston, Lisa G.; Jakupi, Xhevat; Gexha-Bunjaku, Dafina; Deva, Edona and Handcock, Mark S. (2023) Modeling the Visibility Distribution for Respondent-Driven Sampling with Application to Population Size Estimation, *Annals of Applied Statistics*, doi:10.1093/jrsssa/qnad031

#### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(fauxmadrona)
# The next line fits the model for the self-reported personal
# network sizes and imputes the personal network sizes
# It may take up to 60 seconds.
visibility <- impute.visibility(fauxmadrona)
# frequency of estimated personal visibility
table(visibility)
```

## End(Not run)

impute.visibility\_mle Estimates each person's personal visibility based on their selfreported degree and the number of their (direct) recruits. It uses the time the person was recruited as a factor in determining the number of recruits they produce.

#### Description

Estimates each person's personal visibility based on their self-reported degree and the number of their (direct) recruits. It uses the time the person was recruited as a factor in determining the number of recruits they produce.

#### Usage

```
impute.visibility_mle(
  rds.data,
  max.coupons = NULL,
  type.impute = c("distribution", "mode", "median", "mean"),
  recruit.time = NULL,
  include.tree = FALSE,
  unit.scale = NULL,
  unit.model = c("cmp", "nbinom"),
  optimism = FALSE,
  guess = NULL,
  reflect.time = TRUE,
  maxit = 100,
  K = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

rds.data	An rds.data.frame
max.coupons	The number of recruitment coupons distributed to each enrolled subject (i.e. the maximum number of recruitees for any subject). By default it is taken by the attribute or data, else the maximum recorded number of coupons.
type.impute	The type of imputation based on the conditional distribution. It can be of type distribution,mode,median, or mean with the first, the default, being a random draw from the conditional distribution.
recruit.time	vector; An optional value for the data/time that the person was interviewed. It needs to resolve as a numeric vector with number of elements the number of rows of the data with non-missing values of the network variable. If it is a character name of a variable in the data then that variable is used. If it is NULL then the sequence number of the recruit in the data is used. If it is NA then the recruitment is not used in the model. Otherwise, the recruitment time is used in the model to better predict the visibility of the person.
include.tree	logical; If TRUE, augment the reported network size by the number of recruits and one for the recruiter (if any). This reflects a more accurate value for the visibility, but is not the self-reported degree. In particular, it typically produces a positive visibility (compared to a possibility zero self-reported degree).
unit.scale	numeric; If not NULL it sets the numeric value of the scale parameter of the distribution of the unit sizes. For the negative binomial, it is the multiplier on the variance of the negative binomial compared to a Poisson (via the Poisson-Gamma mixture representation). Sometimes the scale is unnaturally large (e.g. 40) so this give the option of fixing it (rather than using the MLE of it). The model is fit with the parameter fixed at this passed value.
unit.model	The type of distribution for the unit sizes. It can be of nbinom, meaning a neg- ative binomial. In this case, unit.scale is the multiplier on the variance of the negative binomial compared to a Poisson of the same mean. The alter- native is cmp, meaning a Conway-Maxwell-Poisson distribution. In this case, unit.scale is the scale parameter compared to a Poisson of the same mean (values less than one mean under-dispersed and values over one mean over- dispersed). The default is cmp.
optimism	logical; If TRUE then add a term to the model allowing the (proportional) inflation of the self-reported degrees relative to the unit sizes.
guess	vector; if not NULL, the initial parameter values for the MLE fitting.
reflect.time	logical; If FALSE then the recruit.time is the time before the end of the study (instead of the time since the survey started or chronological time).
maxit	integer; The maximum number of iterations in the likelihood maximization. By default it is 100.
К	integer; The maximum degree. All self-reported degrees above this are recorded as being at least K. By default it is the 95th percentile of the self-reported network sizes.
verbose	logical; if this is TRUE, the program will print out additional

#### References

McLaughlin, K.R., M.S. Handcock, and L.G. Johnston, 2015. Inference for the visibility distribution for respondent-driven sampling. In JSM Proceedings. Alexandria, VA: American Statistical Association. 2259-2267.

#### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(fauxmadrona)
# The next line fits the model for the self-reported personal
# network sizes and imputes the personal network sizes
# It may take up to 60 seconds.
visibility <- impute.visibility(fauxmadrona)
# frequency of estimated personal visibility
table(visibility)
```

## End(Not run)

is.rds.data.frame Is an instance of rds.data.frame

#### Description

Is an instance of rds.data.frame

#### Usage

```
is.rds.data.frame(x)
```

#### Arguments

x An object to be tested.

is.rds.interval.estimate

Is an instance of rds.interval.estimate

## Description

Is an instance of rds.interval.estimate

#### Usage

is.rds.interval.estimate(x)

#### Arguments

x An object to be tested.

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is.rds.interval.estimate.list

*Is an instance of rds.interval.estimate.list This is a (typically time ordered) sequence of RDS estimates of a comparable quantity* 

#### Description

Is an instance of rds.interval.estimate.list This is a (typically time ordered) sequence of RDS estimates of a comparable quantity

#### Usage

is.rds.interval.estimate.list(x)

#### Arguments

Х

An object to be tested.

LRT.trend.test Compa

Compute a test of trend in prevalences based on a likelihood-ratio statistic

#### Description

This function takes a series of point estimates and their associated standard errors and computes the p-value for the test of a monotone decrease in the population prevalences (in sequence order). The p-value for a monotone increase is also reported. An optional plot of the estimates and the null distribution of the test statistics is provided. More formally, let the K population prevalences in sequence order be  $p_1, \ldots, p_K$ . We test the null hypothesis:

$$H_0: p_1 = \ldots = p_K$$
$$H_1: p_1 \ge p_2 \ldots \ge p_K$$

vs

with at least one equality strict. The alternatic hypothesis is for a monotone decreasing trend. A likelihood ratio statistic for this test has been derived (Bartholomew 1959). The null distribution of the likelihood ratio statistic is very complex but can be determined by a simple Monte Carlo process.

Alternatively, we can test the null hypothesis:

$$H_0: p_1 \ge p_2 \ldots \ge p_K$$

vs

$$H_1: H_0$$

The null distribution of the likelihood ratio statistic is very complex but can be determined by a simple Monte Carlo process. In both cases we also test for:

$$H: p_1 \le p_2 \ldots \le p_K$$

that is, a monotonically increasing trend. The function requires the isotone library.

# Usage

```
LRT.trend.test(
   data,
   variables = colnames(data),
   null = "monotone",
   confidence.level = 0.95,
   number.of.bootstrap.samples = 5000,
   plot = NULL,
   seed = 1
)
```

# Arguments

data	A two row matrix or data.frame of prevalence estimates and their standard errors. The first row is the prevalence estimates and the second are the standard errors. The column are the comparison groups in the order (e.g., time) there are to be assessed. The row names of data should be "estimate" and "sigma". This is
variables	A character vector of column names it select from data.
null	A character string indicating the null hypothesis to use. The value "monotone" uses the various monotone hypotheses as the nulls. If not "monotone", the null is chosen to be that of equality of the means over all periods.
confidence.leve	21
	The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%.
number.of.boots	strap.samples
	The number of Monte Carlo draws to determine the null distribution of the like- lihood ratio statistic.
plot	A character vector of choices, a subset of estimates, distributions. If estimates is given then a plot of the estimates and nominal 95% confidence bands (as error bars) is produced. If distributions is given then a plot is produced of the null distributions of the likelihood ratio statistic with the observed likelihood ratio statistics plotted as a vertical dashed line.
seed	The value of the random number seed. Preset by default to allow reproducibility.

## Value

A list with components

• pvalue.increasing: The p-value for the test of a monotone increase in population prevalence.

#### LRT.value.trend

- pvalue.decreasing: The p-value for the test of a monotone decrease in population prevalence.
- L: The value of the likelihood-ratio statistic.
- x: The passed vector of prevalence estimates in the order (e.g., time).
- sigma The passed vector of standard error estimates corresponding to x.

#### Author(s)

Mark S. Handcock

#### References

Bartholomew, D. J. (1959). A test of homogeneity for ordered alternatives. Biometrika 46 36-48.

## Examples

```
d <- t(data.frame(estimate=c(0.16,0.15,0.3), sigma=c(0.04,0.04,0.1)))
colnames(d) <- c("time_1","time_2","time_3")
LRT.trend.test(d,number.of.bootstrap.samples=1000)</pre>
```

LRT.value.trend	Compute a test of trend in prevalences based on a likelihood-ratio
	statistic

#### Description

This function takes a series of point estimates and their associated standard errors and computes the p-value for the test of a monotone decrease in the population prevalences (in sequence order). The p-value for a monotone increase is also reported. More formally, let the K population prevalences in sequence order be  $p_1, \ldots, p_K$ . We test the null hypothesis:

$$H_0: p_1 = \ldots = p_K$$

vs

$$H_1: p_1 \ge p_2 \ldots \ge p_K$$

with at least one equality strict. A likelihood ratio statistic for this test has been derived (Bartholomew 1959). The null distribution of the likelihood ratio statistic is very complex but can be determined by a simple Monte Carlo process.

We also test the null hypothesis:

$$H_0: p_1 \ge p_2 \ldots \ge p_K$$

vs

$$H_1:\overline{H_0}$$

The null distribution of the likelihood ratio statistic is very complex but can be determined by a simple Monte Carlo process. The function requires the isotone library.

#### Usage

LRT.value.trend(x, sigma)

#### Arguments

х	A vector of prevalence estimates in the order (e.g., time).
sigma	A vector of standard error estimates corresponding to x.

#### Value

A list with components

- pvalue.increasing: The p-value for the test of a monotone increase in population prevalence.
- pvalue.decreasing: The p-value for the test of a monotone decrease in population prevalence.
- L: The value of the likelihood-ratio statistic.
- x: The passed vector of prevalence estimates in the order (e.g., time).
- sigma The passed vector of standard error estimates corresponding to x.

## Author(s)

Mark S. Handcock

# References

Bartholomew, D. J. (1959). A test of homogeneity for ordered alternatives. Biometrika 46 36-48.

# Examples

```
## Not run:
x <- c(0.16,0.15,0.3)
sigma <- c(0.04,0.04,0.1)
LRT.value.trend(x,sigma)
```

## End(Not run)

MA.estimates MA Estimates

#### Description

This function computes the sequential sampling (MA) estimates for a categorical variable or numeric variable.

## MA.estimates

# Usage

```
MA.estimates(
  rds.data,
  trait.variable,
  seed.selection = "degree",
  number.of.seeds = NULL,
  number.of.coupons = NULL,
  number.of.iterations = 3,
 N = NULL,
 M1 = 25,
 M2 = 20,
  seed = 1,
  initial.sampling.probabilities = NULL,
 MPLE.samplesize = 50000,
  SAN.maxit = 5,
  SAN.nsteps = 2^{19},
  sim.interval = 10000,
  number.of.cross.ties = NULL,
 max.degree = NULL,
  parallel = 1,
  parallel.type = "PSOCK",
  full.output = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".	
trait.variable	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a categorical or numeric variable to be analyzed.	
<pre>seed.selection</pre>	An estimate of the mechanism guiding the choice of seeds. The choices are	
	"allwithtrait" indicating that all the seeds had the trait;	
	<b>"random"</b> meaning they were, as if, a simple random sample of individuals from the population;	
	"sample" indicating that the seeds are taken as those in the sample (and resampled for the population with that composition if necessary);	
	"degree" is proportional to the degree of the individual;	
	"allwithtraitdegree" indicating that all the seeds had the trait and the proba- bility of being a seed is proportional to the degree of the respondent.	
number.of.seeds		
	The number of seeds chosen to initiate the sampling.	
number.of.coupons		
	The number of coupons given to each respondent.	
number.of.itera	number.of.iterations	
	The number of iterations used at the core of the algorithm.	

Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the pop.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.
M1	The number of networked populations generated at each iteration.
M2	The number of (full) RDS samples generated for each networked population at each iteration.
seed	The random number seed used to initiate the computations.
initial.samplir	ng.probabilities
	Initialize sampling probabilities for the algorithm. If missing, they are taken as proportional to degree, and this is almost always the best starting values.
MPLE.samplesize	
	Number of samples to take in the computation of the maximum pseudolikeli- hood estimator (MPLE) of the working model parameter. The default is almost always sufficient.
SAN.maxit	A ceiling on the number of simulated annealing iterations.
SAN.nsteps	Number of MCMC proposals for all the annealing runs combined.
sim.interval	Number of MCMC steps between each of the M1 sampled networks per itera- tion.
number.of.cross	s.ties
	The expected number of ties between those with the trait and those without. If missing, it is computed based on the respondent's reports of the number of ties they have to population members who have the trait (i.e. ties.to.trait.variable) and do not have the trait (i.e. ties.not.to.trait.variable).
max.degree	Impose ceiling on degree size.
parallel	Number of processors to use in the computations. The default is 1, that is no parallel processing.
parallel.type	The type of cluster to start. e.g. 'PSOCK', 'MPI', etc.
full.output	More verbose output
verbose	Should verbose diagnostics be printed while the algorithm is running.

#### Value

If trait.variable is numeric then the model-assisted estimate of the mean is returned, otherwise a vector of proportion estimates is returned. If full.output=TRUE this leads to:

If full.output=FALSE this leads to an object of class rds.interval.estimate which is a list with component

estimate the numerical point estimate of proportion of thetrait.variable.

interval a matrix with size columns and one row per category of trait.variable:

point estimate The HT estimate of the population mean.95% Lower Bound Lower 95% confidence bound95% Upper Bound Upper 95% confidence bound

**Design Effect** The design effect of the RDS

s.e. standard error

**n** count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait

- **rds.data** an rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".
- N an estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the pop.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.
- M1 the number of networked populations generated at each iteration.
- M2 the number of (full) RDS populations generated for each networked population at each iteration.
- seed the random number seed used to initiate the computations.
- seed.selection an estimate of the mechanism guiding the choice of seeds. The choices are
  - "allwithtrait" indicating that all the seeds had the trait;
  - "**random**" meaning they were, as if, a simple random sample of individuals from the population;
  - "**sample**" indicating that the seeds are taken as those in the sample (and resampled for the population with that composition if necessary);
  - "degree" is proportional to the degree of the individual;
  - "**allwithtraitdegree**" indicating that all the seeds had the trait and the probability of being a seed is proportional to the degree of the respondent.
- number.of.seeds The number of seeds chosen to initiate the sampling.

number.of.coupons The number of coupons given to each respondent.

number.of.iterations The number of iterations used at the core of the algorithm.

outcome.variable The name of the outcome variable

- weight.type The type of weighting used (i.e. MA)
- **uncertainty** The type of weighting used (i.e. MA)
- details A list of other diagnostic output from the computations.
- **varestBS** Output from the bootstrap procedure. A list with two elements: var is the bootstrap variance, and BSest is the vector of bootstrap estimates themselves.

**coefficient** estimate of the parameter of the ERGM for the network.

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

RDS.I.estimates, RDS.I.estimates

#### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(faux)
MA.estimates(rds.data=faux,trait.variable='X')
```

## End(Not run)

plot.rds.data.frame Diagnostic plots for the RDS recruitment process

#### Description

Diagnostic plots for the RDS recruitment process

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rds.data.frame'
plot(
    x,
    plot.type = c("Recruitment tree", "Network size by wave", "Recruits by wave",
    "Recruits per seed", "Recruits per subject"),
    stratify.by = NULL,
    ...
)
```

#### Arguments

Х	An rds.data.frame object.
plot.type	the type of diagnostic.
stratify.by	A factor used to color or stratify the plot elements.
	Additional arguments for the underlying plot function if applicable.

#### Details

Several types of diagnostics are supported by the plot.type argument. 'Recruitment tree' displays a network plot of the RDS recruitment process. 'Network size by wave' monitors systematic changes is network size based on how far subjects are from the seed 'Recruits by wave' displays counts of subjects based on how far they rare from their seed. 'Recruit per seed' shows the total tree size for each seed. 'Recruits per subject' shows counts of how many subjects are recruited by each subject who are non-terminal.

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## Value

Either nothing (for the recruitment tree plot), or a ggplot2 object.

#### Examples

```
data(fauxmadrona)
## Not run:
plot(fauxmadrona)
## End(Not run)
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits by wave')
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits per seed')
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits per subject')
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits per seed', stratify.by='disease')
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits per seed', stratify.by='disease')
plot(fauxmadrona, plot.type='Recruits per subject', stratify.by='disease')
```

#### Description

Prints an differential.activity.estimate object

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'differential.activity.estimate'
print(x, ...)
```

#### Arguments

х	an differential.activity.estimate object
	unused

print.pvalue.table Displays a pvalue.table

## Description

Displays a pvalue.table

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pvalue.table'
print(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

х	a pvalue.table object
•••	additional parameters passed to print.data.frame.

print.rds.contin.bootstrap

Displays an rds.contin.bootstrap

## Description

Displays an rds.contin.bootstrap

## Usage

## S3 method for class 'rds.contin.bootstrap'
print(x, show.table = FALSE, ...)

# Arguments

х	an rds.contin.bootstrap object
show.table	Display weighted contingency table
	additional parameters passed to print.matrix.

print.rds.data.frame Displays an rds.data.frame

# Description

Displays an rds.data.frame

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rds.data.frame'
print(x, ...)
```

х	an rds.data.frame object
	additional parameters passed to print.data.frame.

print.rds.interval.estimate

Prints an rds.interval.estimate object

#### Description

Prints an rds.interval.estimate object

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rds.interval.estimate'
print(x, as.percentage = NULL, ...)
```

#### Arguments

х	an rds.interval.estimate object
as.percentage	logical. Print the interval estimates as percentages (as distinct from proportions). The default, NULL, means that it will determine if the variable is discrete or continuous and only print them as percentages if they are discrete.
	unused

print.summary.svyglm.RDS

Summarizing Generalized Linear Model Fits with Odds Ratios

## Description

print.summary.svyglm.RDS is a version of print.summary.svyglm that reports odds-ratios in place of coefficients in the summary table. This only applies for the binomial family. Otherwise it is identical to print.summary.svyglm. The default in

print.summary.svyglm is to display the log-odds-ratios and this displays the exponetiated from and a 95 p-values are still displayed.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.svyglm.RDS'
print(
    x,
    digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3),
    symbolic.cor = x$symbolic.cor,
    signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),
    ...
)
```

## Arguments

х	an object of class "summary.svyglm.RDS", usually, a result of a call to RDS::summary.svyglm.
digits	the number of significant digits to use when printing.
symbolic.cor	logical. If TRUE, print the correlations in a symbolic form (see symnum) rather than as numbers.
signif.stars	logical. If TRUE, 'significance stars' are printed for each coefficient.
	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### See Also

svyglm, summary.svyglm.

## Examples

## For examples see example(svyglm)

RDS.bootstrap.intervals

**RDS** Bootstrap Interval Estimates

#### Description

This function computes an interval estimate for one or more categorical variables. It optionally uses attributes of the RDS data set to determine the type of estimator and type of uncertainty estimate to use.

## Usage

```
RDS.bootstrap.intervals(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
 weight.type = NULL,
  uncertainty = NULL,
 N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  confidence.level = 0.95,
  number.of.bootstrap.samples = NULL,
  fast = TRUE,
  useC = TRUE,
  ci.type = "t",
  control = control.rds.estimates(),
  to.factor = FALSE,
  cont.breaks = 3,
  . . .
)
```

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".	
outcome.variab		
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a cate- gorical or numeric variable to be analyzed.	
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I (DS)", and "Arithemic Mean". If NULL it defaults to "Gile's SS".	
uncertainty	A string giving the type of uncertainty estimator to use. The options are "SRS", "Gile" and "Salganik". This is usually determined by weight.type to be consistent with the estimator's origins. The estimators RDS-I, RDS-I (DS), and RDS-II default to "Salganik", "Arithmetic Mean" defaults to "SRS" and "Gile's SS" defaults to the "Gile" bootstrap.	
Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the population.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.	
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is a character string giving an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like "seed > $0$ " to exclude seeds. It can be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.	
confidence.leve	el	
The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%. number.of.bootstrap.samples		
	The number of bootstrap samples to take in estimating the uncertainty of the estimator. If NULL it defaults to the number necessary to compute the standard error to accuracy 0.001. outcome.variable. Otherwise it will compute the population frequencies of each value of the outcome.variable.	
fast	Use a fast bootstrap where the weights are reused from the estimator rather than being recomputed for each bootstrap sample.	
useC	Use a C-level implementation of Gile's bootstrap (rather than the R level). The implementations should be a computational equivalent estimator (except for speed).	
ci.type	Type of confidence interval to use, if possible. If "t", use lower and upper confidence interval values based on the standard deviation of the bootstrapped values and a t multiplier. If "pivotal", use lower and upper confidence interval values based on the basic bootstrap (also called the pivotal confidence interval). If "quantile", use lower and upper confidence interval values based on the quantiles of the bootstrap sample. If "proportion", use the "t" unless the estimated proportion is less than 0.15 or the bounds are outside [0,1 . In this case, try the "quantile" and constrain the bounds to be compatible with [0,1].	
control	A list of control parameters for algorithm tuning. Constructed using control.rds.estimates.	
to.factor	force variable to be a factor	

cont.breaks	For continuous variates, some bootstrap proceedures require categorical data. In
	these cases, in order to contruct each bootstrap replicate, the outcome variable
	is split into cont.breaks categories.
	Additional arguments for RDS.*.estimates.

#### Value

An object of class rds.interval.estimate summarizing the inference. The confidence interval and standard error are based on the bootstrap procedure. In additon, the object has attribute bsresult which provides details of the bootstrap procedure. The contents of the bsresult attribute depends on the uncertainty used. If uncertainty=="Salganik" then bsresult is a vector of standard deviations of the bootstrap samples. If uncertainty=="Gile's SS" then bsresult is a list with components for the bootstrap point estimate, the bootstrap samples themselves and the standard deviations of the bootstrap samples. If uncertainty=="SRS" then bsresult is NULL.

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#### Examples

RDS.compare.proportions

Compares the rates of two variables against one another.

#### Description

Compares the rates of two variables against one another.

#### Usage

```
RDS.compare.proportions(first.interval, second.interval, M = 10000)
```

#### Arguments

first.interval	An rds.interval.estimate object fit with either "Gile" or "Salganik" uncer- tainty.	
	tunity.	
second.interval		
	An rds.interval.estimate object fit with either "Gile" or "Salganik" uncertainty.	
М	The number of bootstrap resamplings to use	

# Details

This function preforms a bootstrap test comparing the the rates of two variables against one another.

#### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(faux)
int1 <- RDS.bootstrap.intervals(faux, outcome.variable=c("X"),
weight.type="RDS-II", uncertainty="Salganik", N=1000,
number.ss.samples.per.iteration=1000,
confidence.level=0.95, number.of.bootstrap.samples=100)
int2 <- RDS.bootstrap.intervals(faux, outcome.variable=c("Y"),
weight.type="RDS-II", uncertainty="Salganik", N=1000,
number.ss.samples.per.iteration=1000,
confidence.level=0.95, number.of.bootstrap.samples=100)
RDS.compare.proportions(int1,int2)
```

## End(Not run)

RDS.compare.two.proportions

Compares the rates of two variables against one another.

#### Description

Compares the rates of two variables against one another.

# Usage

```
RDS.compare.two.proportions(
   data,
   variables,
   confidence.level = 0.95,
   number.of.bootstrap.samples = 5000,
```

```
plot = FALSE,
seed = 1
)
```

## Arguments

data	An object of class rds.interval.estimates.list with attribute variables containing a character vector of names of objects of class rds.interval.estimate.	
variables	A character vector of column names to select from data.	
confidence.leve		
	The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%.	
number.of.bootstrap.samples		
	The number of Monte Carlo draws to determine the null distribution of the like- lihood ratio statistic.	
plot	Logical, if TRUE then a plot is produces of the null distribution of the likelihood ratio statistic with the observed statistics plotted as a vertical dashed line.	
seed	The value of the random number seed. Preset by default to allow reproducability.	

## Value

An object of class pvalue.table containing the cross-tabulation of p-values for comparing the two classes

RDS.HCG.estimates Homophily Configuration Graph Estimates

# Description

This function computes the Homophily Configuration Graph type estimates for a categorical variable.

# Usage

```
RDS.HCG.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  small.fraction = FALSE,
  empir.lik = TRUE,
  to.factor = FALSE,
  cont.breaks = 3
)
```

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#### Arguments

rds.data An rds.data.frame with recruitment time set. outcome.variable		
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a cate- gorical variable to be analyzed.	
Ν	Population size to be used to calculate the empirical likelihood interval. If NULL, this value is taken to be the population.size.mid attribute of the data and if that is not set, no finite population correction is used.	
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like subset = seed > $0$ to exclude seeds. It can also be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.	
small.fraction	Should a small sample fraction be assumed	
empir.lik	Should confidence intervals be estimated using empirical likelihood.	
to.factor	force variable to be a factor	
cont.breaks	If variable is numeric, how many discretization points should be used in the calculation of the weights.	

#### Value

If the empir.lik is true, an object of class rds.interval.estimate is returned. This is a list with components

- estimate: The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
- interval: A matrix with six columns and one row per category of trait.variable:
  - point estimate: The HT estimate of the population mean.
  - 95% Lower Bound: Lower 95% confidence bound.
  - 95% Upper Bound: Upper 95% confidence bound.
  - Design Effect: The design effect of the RDS.
  - s.e.: Standard error.
  - n: Count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait.

Otherwise an object of class rds. HCG. estimate object is returned.

## Author(s)

Ian E. Fellows

#### See Also

RDS.I.estimates, RDS.II.estimates, RDS.SS.estimates

#### Examples

```
data(fauxtime)
RDS.HCG.estimates(rds.data=fauxtime,outcome.variable='var1')
```

# Description

This function computes the RDS-I type estimates for a categorical variable. It is also referred to as the Salganik-Heckathorn estimator.

# Usage

```
RDS.I.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  smoothed = FALSE,
  empir.lik = TRUE,
  to.factor = FALSE,
  cont.breaks = 3
)
```

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".
outcome.variabl	e
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a categorical variable to be analyzed.
Ν	Population size to be used to calculate the empirical likelihood interval. If NULL, this value is taken to be the population.size.mid attribute of the data and if that is not set, no finite population correction is used.
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like subset = seed > $0$ to exclude seeds. It can also be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.
smoothed	Logical, if TRUE then the "data smoothed" version of RDS-I is used, where it is assumed that the observed Markov process is reversible.
empir.lik	Should confidence intervals be estimated using empirical likelihood.
to.factor	force variable to be a factor
cont.breaks	The number of categories used for the RDS-I adjustment when the variate is continuous.

#### RDS.I.estimates

#### Value

If the empir.lik is true, an object of class rds.interval.estimate is returned. This is a list with components

- estimate: The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
- interval: A matrix with six columns and one row per category of trait.variable:
  - point estimate: The HT estimate of the population mean.
  - 95% Lower Bound: Lower 95% confidence bound.
  - 95% Upper Bound: Upper 95% confidence bound.
  - Design Effect: The design effect of the RDS.
  - s.e.: Standard error.
  - n: Count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait.

Otherwise an object of class rds. I. estimate object is returned.

## Author(s)

Mark S. Handcock and W. Whipple Neely

#### References

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Volz, E., Heckathorn, D., 2008. *Probability based estimation theory for Respondent Driven Sampling*. The Journal of Official Statistics 24 (1), 79-97.

#### See Also

RDS.II.estimates, RDS.SS.estimates

## Examples

```
data(faux)
RDS.I.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X')
RDS.I.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X',smoothed=TRUE)
```

rds.I.weights RDS-I weights

# Description

**RDS-I** weights

## Usage

```
rds.I.weights(rds.data, outcome.variable, N = NULL, smoothed = FALSE, ...)
```

# Arguments

An rds.data.frame		
outcome.variable		
The variable used to base the weights on.		
Population size		
Should the data smoothed RDS-I weights be computed.		
Unused		

RDS.II.estimates RDS-II Estimates

# Description

This function computes the RDS-II estimates for a categorical variable or the RDS-II estimate for a numeric variable.

## Usage

```
RDS.II.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  empir.lik = TRUE,
  to.factor = FALSE
)
```

#### Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".
outcome.variab	le
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a cate- gorical or numeric variable to be analyzed.
Ν	Population size to be used to calculate the empirical likelihood interval. If NULL, this value is taken to be the population.size.mid attribute of the data and if that is not set, no finite population correction is used.
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like subset = seed > $\emptyset$ to exclude seeds. It can also be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.
empir.lik	If true, and outcome.variable is numeric, standard errors based on empirical likelihood will be given.
to.factor	force variable to be a factor

## Value

If outcome.variable is numeric then the RDS-II estimate of the mean is returned, otherwise a vector of proportion estimates is returned. If the empir.lik is true, an object of class rds.interval.estimate is returned. This is a list with components

- estimate: The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
- interval: A matrix with six columns and one row per category of trait.variable:
  - point estimate: The HT estimate of the population mean.
  - 95% Lower Bound: Lower 95% confidence bound.
  - 95% Upper Bound: Upper 95% confidence bound.
  - Design Effect: The design effect of the RDS.
  - s.e.: Standard error.
  - n: Count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait.

Otherwise, an object of class rds.II.estimate is returned.

## Author(s)

Mark S. Handcock and W. Whipple Neely

#### References

Gile, Krista J., Handcock, Mark S., 2010. Respondent-driven Sampling: An Assessment of Current Methodology, Sociological Methodology, 40, 285-327. <doi:10.1111/j.1467-9531.2010.01223.x>

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#### See Also

RDS.I.estimates, RDS.SS.estimates

#### Examples

```
data(faux)
RDS.II.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X')
RDS.II.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X',subset= Y!="blue")
```

rds.interval.estimate An object of class rds.interval.estimate

#### Description

This function creates an object of class rds.interval.estimate.

#### Usage

```
rds.interval.estimate(
    estimate,
    outcome.variable,
    weight.type,
    uncertainty,
    weights,
    N = NULL,
    conf.level = 0.95,
    csubset = ""
)
```

estimate	The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
outcome.variab	le
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a categorical variable to be analyzed.
weight.type	A string giving the type of estimator to use. The options are "Gile's SS", "RDS-I", "RDS-II", "RDS-I (DS)", and "Arithemic Mean". If NULL it defaults to "Gile's SS".

uncertainty	A string giving the type of uncertainty estimator to use. The options are "SRS", "Gile" and "Salganik". This is usually determined by weight.type to be consistent with the estimator's origins. The estimators "RDS-I", "RDS-I (DS)", "RDS-II" default to "Salganik", "Arithmetic Mean" defaults to "SRS" and "Gile's SS" defaults to the "Gile" bootstrap.
weights	A numerical vector of sampling weights for the sample, in order of the sample. They should be inversely proportional to the first-order inclusion probabilites, although this is not assessed or inforced.
Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the pop.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.
conf.level	The confidence level for the confidence intervals. The default is 0.95 for 95%.
csubset	A character string representing text to add to the output label. Typically this will be the expression used it define the subset of the data used for the estimate.

## Value

An object of class rds.interval.estimate is returned. This is a list with components

- estimate: The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
- interval: A matrix with six columns and one row per category of trait.variable:
  - point estimate: The HT estimate of the population mean.
  - 95% Lower Bound: Lower 95% confidence bound.
  - 95% Upper Bound: Upper 95% confidence bound.
  - Design Effect: The design effect of the RDS.
  - s.e.: Standard error.
  - n: Count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait.

## Author(s)

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## References

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# Examples

```
data(faux)
RDS.I.estimates(rds.data=faux,outcome.variable='X',smoothed=TRUE)
```

RDS.SS.estimates Gile's SS Estimates

# Description

This function computes the sequential sampling (SS) estimates for a categorical variable or numeric variable.

## Usage

```
RDS.SS.estimates(
  rds.data,
  outcome.variable,
  N = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  number.ss.samples.per.iteration = 500,
  number.ss.iterations = 5,
  control = control.rds.estimates(),
  hajek = TRUE,
  empir.lik = TRUE,
  to.factor = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

rds.data	An rds.data.frame that indicates recruitment patterns by a pair of attributes named "id" and "recruiter.id".	
outcome.variabl	e	
	A string giving the name of the variable in the rds.data that contains a categorical or numeric variable to be analyzed.	
Ν	An estimate of the number of members of the population being sampled. If NULL it is read as the population.size.mid attribute of the rds.data frame. If that is missing it defaults to 1000.	
subset	An optional criterion to subset rds.data by. It is an R expression which, when evaluated, subset the data. In plain English, it can be something like subset = seed > 0 to exclude seeds. It can also be the name of a logical vector of the same length of the outcome variable where TRUE means include it in the analysis. If NULL then no subsetting is done.	
number.ss.samples.per.iteration		
	The number of samples to take in estimating the inclusion probabilites in each iteration of the sequential sampling algorithm. If NULL it is read as the eponymous attribute of rds.data. If that is missing it defaults to 5000.	

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number.ss.iterations	
	The number of iterations of the sequential sampling algorithm. If that is missing it defaults to 5.
control	A list of control parameters for algorithm tuning. Constructed using control.rds.estimates.
hajek	logical; Use the standard Hajek-type estimator of Gile (2011) or the standard Hortitz-Thompson. The default is TRUE.
empir.lik	If true, and outcome.variable is numeric, standard errors based on empirical likelihood will be given.
to.factor	force variable to be a factor

#### Value

If outcome.variable is numeric then the Gile SS estimate of the mean is returned, otherwise a vector of proportion estimates is returned. If the empir.lik is true, an object of class rds.interval.estimate is returned. This is a list with components

- estimate: The numerical point estimate of proportion of the trait.variable.
- interval: A matrix with six columns and one row per category of trait.variable:
  - point estimate: The HT estimate of the population mean.
  - 95% Lower Bound: Lower 95% confidence bound.
  - 95% Upper Bound: Upper 95% confidence bound.
  - Design Effect: The design effect of the RDS.
  - s.e.: Standard error.
  - n: Count of the number of sample values with that value of the trait.

Otherwise, an object of class rds.SS.estimate is returned.

#### Author(s)

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# See Also

RDS.I.estimates, RDS.II.estimates

#### Examples

data(fauxmadrona)
RDS.SS.estimates(rds.data=fauxmadrona,outcome.variable="disease",N=1000)

rdssampleC

Create RDS samples with given characteristics

# Description

Create RDS samples with given characteristics

#### Usage

```
rdssampleC(
  net,
 nnodes = network.size(net),
 nsamp0,
  fixinitial,
  nsamp,
  replace,
 coupons,
  select = NULL,
 bias = NULL,
 rds.samp = NULL,
  seed.distribution = NULL,
 attrall = FALSE,
  trait.variable = "disease",
 nsims = 1,
  seeds = NULL,
 prob.network.recall = 1,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

#### Arguments

net	the network object from which to draw a sample
nnodes	the number of nodes in the network [at least as default]
nsamp0	the number of seeds to be drawn (i.e. the size of the 0th wave of sampling)
fixinitial	a variable that indicates the distribution from which to draw the initial seeds, if the seeds variable is NULL and the seed.distribution variable is NULL
nsamp	number of individuals in each RDS sample

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## read.rdsat

replace	sampling with replacement	
coupons	number of coupons	
select	not used	
bias	not used	
rds.samp	not used	
seed.distribut:	ion	
	a variable [what kind?] that indicates the distribution from which to draw the initial seeds	
attrall	Whether all the information about the sample should be returned [??]	
trait.variable	attribute of interest	
nsims	number of RDS samples to draw	
seeds	an array of seeds. Default is NULL, in which case the function draws the seeds from the nodes of the network.	
prob.network.recall		
	simulates the probability that an individual will remember any particular link	
verbose	Print verbose output	

# Value

A list with the following elements: nsample: vector of indices of sampled nodes wsample: vector of waves of each sampled node degsample: vector of degrees of sampled nodes attrsample: vector of attrs of sampled nodes toattr: vector of numbers of referrals to attrsd nodes tonoattr: vector of number of referrans to unattrsd nominators: recruiter of each sample

read.rdsat Import data	from the 'I	RDSAT' form	<i>at as an</i> rds.data.	.frame
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## Description

This function imports RDSAT data files as rds.data.frame objects.

## Usage

```
read.rdsat(file, delim = c("<auto>", "\t", " ", ","), N = NULL)
```

file	the name of the file which the data are to be read from. If it does not contain an _absolute_ path, the file name is _relative_ to the current working directory, 'getwd()'. Tilde-expansion is performed where supported. As from R 2.10.0 this can be a compressed file (see 'file')
delim	The seperator defining columns. <auto> will guess the delimitor based on the file.</auto>
Ν	The population size (Optional).

#### Examples

```
fn <- paste0(path.package("RDS"),"/extdata/nyjazz.rdsat")
rd <- read.rdsat(fn)
plot(rd)</pre>
```

read.rdsobj

Import data saved using write.rdsobj

## Description

Import data saved using write.rdsobj

#### Usage

```
read.rdsobj(file)
```

#### Arguments

file

the name of the file which the data are to be read from. If it does not contain an \_absolute\_ path, the file name is \_relative\_ to the current working directory, 'getwd()'. Tilde-expansion is performed where supported. As from R 2.10.0 this can be a compressed file (see 'file')

reingold.tilford.plot Plots the recruitment network using the Reingold Tilford algorithm.

## Description

Plots the recruitment network using the Reingold Tilford algorithm.

#### Usage

```
reingold.tilford.plot(
    x,
    vertex.color = NULL,
    vertex.color.scale = hue_pal(),
    vertex.size = 2,
    vertex.size.range = c(1, 5),
    edge.arrow.size = 0,
    vertex.label.cex = 0.2,
    vertex.label.cex = 0.2,
    vertex.label = get.id(x),
    show.legend = TRUE,
    plot = TRUE,
    ...
)
```

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## rid.from.coupons

## Arguments

х	An rds.data.frame
vertex.color	The name of the categorical variable in x to color the points with.
vertex.color.so	cale
	The scale to create the color palette.
vertex.size	The size of the vertex points. either a number or the name of a column of x.
vertex.size.ra	nge
	If vertex.size represents a variable, vertex.size.range is a vector of length 2 representing the minimum and maximum cex for the points.
edge.arrow.size	9
	The size of the arrow from recruiter to recruitee.
vertex.label.ce	2X
	The size expansion factor for the vertex.labels.
vertex.frame.co	plor
	the color of the outside of the vertex.points.
vertex.label	The name of a variable to use as vertex labels. NA implies no labels.
show.legend	If true and either vertex.color or vertex.size represent variables, legends will be displayed at the bottom of the plot.
plot	Logical, if TRUE then a plot is produced of recruitment tree. ratio statistic with the observed statistics plotted as a vertical dashed line.
	Additional parameters passed to plot.igraph.

## Value

A two-column vector of the positions of the nodes in the recruitment tree.

# Examples

```
## Not run:
data(fauxmadrona)
data(faux)
reingold.tilford.plot(faux)
reingold.tilford.plot(fauxmadrona,vertex.color="disease")
```

## End(Not run)

rid.from.coupons Determines the recruiter.id from recruitment coupon information

## Description

Determines the recruiter.id from recruitment coupon information

## Usage

```
rid.from.coupons(
   data,
   subject.coupon = NULL,
   coupon.variables,
   subject.id = NULL,
   seed.id = "seed"
)
```

#### Arguments

data	a data.frame	
<pre>subject.coupon</pre>	The variable representing the coupon returned by subject	
coupon.variables		
	The variable representing the coupon ids given to the subject	
<pre>subject.id</pre>	The variable representing the subject's id	
seed.id	The recruiter.id to assign to seed subjects.	

## Examples

```
#create and rds.data.frame
rds <- as.rds.data.frame(dat,network.size="network.size")</pre>
```

set.control.class Set the class of the control list

#### Description

This function sets the class of the control list, with the default being the name of the calling function.

# Usage

```
set.control.class(
  myname = as.character(RDS::ult(sys.calls(), 2)[[1L]]),
  control = get("control", pos = parent.frame())
)
```

## Arguments

myname	Name of the class to set.
control	Control list. Defaults to the control variable in the calling function.

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# Value

The control list with class set.

#### See Also

check.control.class, print.control.list

show.rds.data.frame Displays an rds.data.frame

## Description

Displays an rds.data.frame

#### Usage

show.rds.data.frame(x, ...)

#### Arguments

х	an rds.data.frame object.
	additional parameters passed to print.data.frame.

summary.svyglm.RDS Summarizing Generalized Linear Model Fits with Odds Ratios for Survey Data

## Description

RDS::summary.svyglm.RDS is a version of summary.svyglm that reports odds-ratios in place of coefficients in the summary table. This only applies for the binomial family. Otherwise it is identical to summary.svyglm. The default in summary.svyglm is to display the log-odds-ratios and this displays the exponetiated from and a 95 p-values are still displayed.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'svyglm.RDS'
summary(object, correlation = FALSE, df.resid = NULL, odds = TRUE, ...)
```

object	an object of class "svyglm", usually, a result of a call to svyglm.
correlation	logical; if TRUE, the correlation matrix of the estimated parameters is returned and printed.
df.resid	Optional denominator degrees of freedom for Wald tests.
odds	logical; Should the coefficients be reported as odds (rather than log-odds)?
	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

# Details

svyglm fits a generalised linear model to data from a complex survey design, with inverse-probability weighting and design-based standard errors.

There is no anova method for svyglm as the models are not fitted by maximum likelihood. See the manual page on svyglm for detail of that function.

# Value

RDS::summary.svyglm returns an object of class "summary.svyglm.RDS", a list with components

call	the component from object.
family	the component from object.
deviance	the component from object.
contrasts	the component from object.
df.residual	the component from object.
null.deviance	the component from object.
df.null	the component from object.
deviance.resid	the deviance residuals: see residuals.svyglm.
coefficients	the matrix of coefficients, standard errors, z-values and p-values. Aliased coefficients are omitted.
aliased	named logical vector showing if the original coefficients are aliased.
dispersion	either the supplied argument or the inferred/estimated dispersion if the latter is NULL.
df	a 3-vector of the rank of the model and the number of residual degrees of free- dom, plus number of coefficients (including aliased ones).
cov.unscaled	the unscaled (dispersion = 1) estimated covariance matrix of the estimated co- efficients.
cov.scaled	ditto, scaled by dispersion.
correlation	(only if correlation is true.) The estimated correlations of the estimated coefficients.
symbolic.cor	(only if correlation is true.) The value of the argument symbolic.cor.
odds	Are the coefficients reported as odds (rather than log-odds)?

# See Also

svyglm, summary.

## Examples

## For examples see example(svyglm)

transition.counts.to.Markov.mle

calculates the mle. i.e. the row proportions of the transition matrix

## Description

calculates the mle. i.e. the row proportions of the transition matrix

## Usage

transition.counts.to.Markov.mle(transition.counts)

#### Arguments

transition.counts

a matrix or table of transition counts

## Details

depreicated. just use prop.table(transition.counts,1)

ult	Extract or replace the *ult*imate (last) element of a vector or a list,
	or an element counting from the end.

# Description

Extract or replace the \*ult\*imate (last) element of a vector or a list, or an element counting from the end.

#### Usage

ult(x, i = 1L)

## Arguments

х	a vector or a list.
i	index from the end of the list to extract or replace (where 1 is the last element, 2 is the penultimate element, etc.).

#### Value

An element of 'x'.

## Examples

```
x <- 1:5
(last <- ult(x))
(penultimate <- ult(x, 2)) # 2nd last.</pre>
```

vh.weights

Volz-Heckathorn (RDS-II) weights

# Description

Volz-Heckathorn (RDS-II) weights

# Usage

vh.weights(degs, N = NULL)

# Arguments

degs	The degrees (i.e. network sizes) of the sample units.
Ν	Population size

write.graphviz writes an rds.data.frame recruitment tree as a GraphViz file

# Description

writes an rds.data.frame recruitment tree as a GraphViz file

## Usage

write.graphviz(x, file)

# Arguments

х	An rds.data.frame.
file	A character vector representing the file

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write.netdraw

## Description

Writes out the RDS tree in NetDraw format

## Usage

write.netdraw(x, file = NULL, by.seed = FALSE)

## Arguments

х	An rds.data.frame.
file	a character vector representing a file.
by.seed	If true, seperate files will be created for each seed.

# Details

If by.seed is false, two files are created using 'file' as a base name. paste0(file,".DL") contains the edge information, and paste0(file,".vna") contains the nodal attributes

write.rdsat

Writes out the RDS tree in RDSAT format

## Description

Writes out the RDS tree in RDSAT format

## Usage

write.rdsat(x, file = NULL)

х	An rds.data.frame.
file	a character vector representing a file.

write.rdsobj

#### Description

Export an rds.data.frame to file

## Usage

write.rdsobj(x, file)

#### Arguments

Х	The rds.data.frame to export
file	The name of the file to create.

[.rds.data.frame indexing

## Description

indexing

#### Usage

## S3 method for class 'rds.data.frame'
x[i, j, ..., drop, warn = TRUE]

## Arguments

i indices	
1 multus	
j indices	
unused	
drop drop	
warn Warn if any new seeds are cre	eated

## Details

Subsetting of RDS recruitment trees does not always yield a full RDS tree. In this case, subjects whose recruiter is no longer in the dataset are considered seeds. is issued if the 'warn' parameter is TRUE. dat <- data.frame(id=c(1,2,3,4,5), recruiter.id=c(2,-1,2,-1,4), network.size.variable=c(4,8,8,2,3)) r <- as.rds.data.frame(dat) r[1:3,] # A valid pruning of the RDS tree. r[c(1,5),warn=FALSE] # recruiter.id of last row set to -1 (i.e. a seed) to maintain validity of tree

[<-.rds.data.frame indexing

# Description

indexing

# Usage

## S3 replacement method for class 'rds.data.frame'
x[i, j] <- value</pre>

# Arguments

Х	object
i	indices
j	indices
value	value

#### Details

Indexed assignment. If the result is not a valid rds.data.frame, an error is emitted.

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