# Package 'TNC'

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Node centrality measures for temporal networks. Available measures are temporal degree central-

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Temporal betweenness centrality

## **Description**

tbc returns the temporal betweenness centrality for each node in a dynamic network (sequence of graph snapshots).

#### Usage

```
tbc(x, type = NULL, startsnapshot = 1, endsnapshot = length(x),
  vertexindices = NULL, directed = FALSE, normalize = TRUE,
  centrality_evolution = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

x	A list of adjacency matrices or a list of adjacency lists.
type	Data format of x. Possible formats are "M" for a list of adjacency matrices (containing only 1s and 0s) and "L" for a list of adjacency lists (adjacency lists of the igraph package are supported). Default is NULL.
startsnapshot	Numeric. Entry of x to start the calculation of tbc. Default is 1.
endsnapshot	Numeric. Entry of $\boldsymbol{x}$ to end the calculation of tbc. Default is the last element of $\boldsymbol{x}$ .
vertexindices	Numeric A vector of nodes Only shortest temporal naths ending at nodes in

Numeric. A vector of nodes. Only shortest temporal paths ending at nodes in vertexindices are considered for calculating tbc. Can be used to parallel the calculation of tbc (see section Examples). Default is NULL.

directed Logical. Set TRUE if the dynamic network is a directed network. Default is FALSE.

Logical. Set TRUE if centrality values should be normalized with 1/((|V|-1)\*(|V|-2)\*m) where |V| is the number of nodes and m= endsnapshot - startsnapshot. Default is TRUE.

centrality\_evolution

normalize

Logical. Set TRUE if an additional matrix should be returned containing the centrality values at each snapshot. Rows correspondent to nodes, columns correspondent to snapshots. Default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

tbc calculates the temporal betweenness centrality (Kim and Anderson, 2012). To keep the computational effort linear in the number of snapshots the Reversed Evolution Network algorithm (REN; Hanke and Foraita, 2017) is used to find all shortest temporal paths.

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#### Value

The (normalized) temporal betweenness centrality (TBC) values of all nodes. If centrality\_evolution is TRUE, an additional matrix will be returned (CentEvo), containing the temporal (|V|xT) matrix is returned (CentEvo), containing the temporal centrality value at each snapshot between startsnapshot and endsnapshot.

# Warning

Using adjacency matrices as input exponentially increases the required memory. Use adjacency lists to save memory.

#### References

Kim, Hyoungshick and Anderson, Ross (2012). *Temporal node centrality in complex networks*. Physical Review E, 85 (2).

Hanke, Moritz and Foraita, Ronja (2017). Clone temporal centrality measures for incomplete sequences of graph snapshots. BMC Bioinformatics, 18 (1).

# See Also

```
tcc,tdc
```

# **Examples**

```
# Create a list of adjacency matrices, plot the corresponding graphs
# (using the igraph package) and calculate tbc
1,0,1,0,0,0,
           0,1,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
0,0,1,0,0,0,
           0,1,0,1,1,0,
           0,0,1,0,0,0,
           0,0,1,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
1,0,0,1,0,0,
           0,0,0,0,0,0,
```

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```
0,1,0,0,0,0,
                0,0,0,0,0,0,
                0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
library(igraph)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
Layout <-
layout_in_circle(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, mode = "undirected"))
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A2, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A3, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A4, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
As <- list(A1,A2,A3,A4)
tbc(As, "M", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
### Create list of adjacency lists
Ls <- lapply(seq_along(As), function(i){
  sapply(1:6, function(j){which(As[[i]][j,]==1)})
})
tbc(Ls, "L", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
### Run tbc in parallel ###
library(parallel)
# Calculate the number of cores
cores_avail <- detectCores()-1</pre>
# Initiate cluster
cl <- makeCluster(2)</pre>
clusterExport(cl, c("As", "tbc"))
TBC <- parLapply(cl, 1:6, function(x){
  tbc(As, "M", vertexindices = x)
}
)
stopCluster(cl)
Reduce("+", TBC)
```

tcc

Temporal closeness centrality

#### **Description**

tcc returns the temporal closeness centrality for each node in a dynamic network (sequence of graph snapshots).

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#### Usage

```
tcc(x, type = NULL, startsnapshot = 1, endsnapshot = length(x),
  vertexindices = NULL, directed = FALSE, normalize = TRUE,
  centrality_evolution = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A list of adjacency matrices or a list of adjacency lists.

type Data format of x. Possible formats are "M" for a list of adjacency matrices

(containing only 1s and 0s) and "L" for a list of adjacency lists (adjacency lists

of the igraph package are supported). Default is NULL.

startsnapshot Numeric. Entry of x to start the calculation of tcc. Default is 1.

endsnapshot Numeric. Entry of x to end the calculation of tcc. Default is the last element of

Х.

vertexindices Numeric. A vector of nodes. Only shortest temporal paths ending at nodes in

vertexindices are considered for calculating tcc. Can be used to parallel the

calculation of tcc (see section Examples). Default is NULL.

directed Logical. Set TRUE if the dynamic network is a directed network. Default is

FALSE.

normalize Logical. Set TRUE if centrality values should be normalized with 1/((|V|-1)\*

m) where |V| is the number of nodes and m =endsnapshot - startsnapshot.

Default is TRUE.

centrality\_evolution

Logical. Set TRUE if an additional matrix should be returned containing the centrality values at each snapshot. Rows correspondent to nodes, columns cor-

respondent to snapshots. Default is FALSE.

# **Details**

tcc calculates the temporal closeness centrality (Kim and Anderson, 2012). To keep the computational effort linear in the number of snapshots the Reversed Evolution Network algorithm (REN; Hanke and Foraita, 2017) is used to find all shortest temporal paths.

#### Value

The (normalized) temporal betweenness centrality values of all nodes (TCC). If centrality\_evolution is TRUE, an additional (|V|xT) matrix is returned (CentEvo), containing the temporal centrality value at each snapshot between startsnapshot and endsnapshot.

#### Warning

Using adjacency matrices as input exponentially increases the required memory. Use adjacency lists to save memory.

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#### References

Kim, Hyoungshick and Anderson, Ross (2012). *Temporal node centrality in complex networks*. Physical Review E, 85 (2).

Hanke, Moritz and Foraita, Ronja (2017). Clone temporal centrality measures for incomplete sequences of graph snapshots. BMC Bioinformatics, 18 (1).

#### See Also

```
tbc,tdc
```

# **Examples**

```
# Create a list of adjacency matrices, plot the corresponding graphs
# (using the igraph package) and calculate tcc
1,0,1,0,0,0,
             0,1,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
0,0,1,0,0,0,
             0,1,0,1,1,0,
             0,0,1,0,0,0,
             0,0,1,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
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             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
1,0,0,1,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,1,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0,
             0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
library(igraph)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
Layout <-
layout_in_circle(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, mode = "undirected"))
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A2, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
```

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```
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A3, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A4, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
As <- list(A1,A2,A3,A4)
tcc(As, "M", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
### Create list of adjacency lists
Ls <- lapply(seq_along(As), function(i){
  sapply(1:6, function(j){which(As[[i]][j,]==1)})
})
tcc(Ls, "L", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
### Run tbc in parallel ###
library(parallel)
# Calculate the number of cores
cores_avail <- detectCores()-1</pre>
# Initiate cluster
cl <- makeCluster(2)</pre>
clusterExport(cl, c("As", "tcc"))
TCC <- parLapply(cl, 1:6, function(x){
  tcc(As, "M", vertexindices = x)
 }
)
stopCluster(cl)
Reduce("+", TCC)
```

tdc

Temporal degree centrality

# Description

tdc returns the temporal degree centrality for each node in a dynamic network (sequence of graph snapshots).

### Usage

```
tdc(x, type = NULL, startsnapshot = 1, endsnapshot = length(x),
  directed = FALSE, normalize = TRUE, centrality_evolution = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

.

A list of adjacency matrices or a list of adjacency lists.

type

Data format of x. Possible formats are "M" for a list of adjacency matrices (containing only 1s and 0s) and "L" for a list of adjacency lists (adjacency lists of the igraph package are supported). Default is NULL.

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startsnapshot Numeric. Entry of x to start the calculation of tdc. Default is 1.

endsnapshot Numeric. Entry of x to end the calculation of tdc. Default is the last element of

Х.

directed Logical. Set TRUE if the temporal network is a directed network. Default is

FALSE.

normalize Logical. Set TRUE if centrality values should be normalized with 1/((|V|-1)\*

m) where |V| is the number of nodes and m = endsnapshot - startsnapshot.

Default is TRUE.

centrality\_evolution

Logical. Set TRUE if an additional matrix should be returned containing the centrality values at each snapshot. Rows correspondent to nodes, columns cor-

respondent to snapshots. Default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

tdc calculates the temporal degree centrality (see Kim and Anderson, 2012), which is defined as the average degree centrality over all snapshots.

#### Value

The (normalized) temporal degree centrality values of all nodes (TDC). If centrality\_evolution is TRUE an additional matrix is returned (CentEvo), containing the temporal centrality value at each snapshot between startsnapshot and endsnapshot.

# Warning

Using adjacency matrices as input exponentially increases the required memory. Use adjacency lists to save memory.

#### References

Kim, Hyoungshick and Anderson, Ross, 2012. *Temporal node centrality in complex networks*. Physical Review E, 85 (2).

# See Also

```
tbc,tcc
```

# **Examples**

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0,0,1,0,0,0,
              0,1,0,1,1,0,
              0,0,1,0,0,0,
              0,0,1,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
1,0,0,1,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,1,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0,
              0,0,0,0,0,0), ncol=6)
library(igraph)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
Layout <-
layout_in_circle(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, mode = "undirected"))
\verb|plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A1, "undirected"), layout=Layout)|\\
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A2, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A3, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
plot(graph_from_adjacency_matrix(A4, "undirected"), layout=Layout)
As <- list(A1,A2,A3,A4)
tdc(As, "M", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
#' ### Create list of adjacency lists
Ls <- lapply(seq_along(As), function(i){
 sapply(1:6, function(j){which(As[[i]][j,]==1)})
})
tdc(Ls, "L", centrality_evolution=TRUE)
```

TNC: A package for computing temporal network centrality values for nodes of a dynamic network.

# Description

The TNC package provides three functions: tbc, tcc and tdc for calculating temporal betweenness, temporal closeness and temporal degree centrality.

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