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*.svystat	<i>A scalar multiplication method for svystat</i>
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### Description

Multiply the values of survey statistics by a specified vector elementwise, adjusting the variance.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'svystat'
x * y
```

### Arguments

x                    an object of class [svystat][survey::svymean].  
y                    a numeric vector equal in length to x; shorter vectors will be recycled.

### Value

a [svystat][survey::svymean] object with the updated statistics and variance-covariance matrix.

## Examples

```
library(survey)
data(api)
# From example(svymean):
dclus1<-svydesign(id=~dnum, weights=~pw, data=apiclus1, fpc=~fpc)

(m1 <- svymean(~api99, dclus1))
(v1 <- vcov(m1))

# Scale the survey stat object by a factor of two:
(m2 <- m1 * 2)
(v2 <- vcov(m2))
```

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as.egor.egodata      *Convert (deprecated) [egodata](#) Objects to [egor](#) Objects*

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## Description

Convert (deprecated) [egodata](#) Objects to [egor](#) Objects

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'egodata'
as.egor(x, ...)

as_egor.egodata(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

x                    a [egodata](#) object  
...                  additional arguments, currently unused.

## Value

An [egor](#) object.

## Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

as.egor.network

*Construct an Egocentric View of a [network](#) Object*

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**Description**

Given a [network](#) object, construct an [egor](#) object representing a census of all the actors in the network. Used mainly for testing.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'network'  
as.egor(x, special.cols = c("na"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A <a href="#">network</a> object.
special.cols	Vertex attributes that should not be copied to the egos and alters tables. Defaults to attributes special to the <a href="#">network</a> objects.
...	Additional arguments, currently unused.

**Value**

An [egor](#) object.

**Author(s)**

Pavel N. Krivitsky

**See Also**

[template\\_network](#), which performs the inverse operation (though drops the ties).

**Examples**

```
# See example(ergm.ego) and example(template_network).
```

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control.ergm.ego      *Control parameters for ergm.ego.*

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## Description

Constructs and checks the list of control parameters for estimation by [ergm.ego](#).

## Usage

```
control.ergm.ego(
  ppopsize = c("auto", "samp", "pop"),
  ppopsize.mul = 1,
  ppop.wt = c("round", "sample"),
  stats.wt = c("data", "ppop"),
  stats.est = c("survey", "asymptotic", "bootstrap", "jackknife", "naive"),
  boot.R = 10000,
  ignore.max.alters = TRUE,
  ergm = control.ergm(),
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

`ppopsize`, `ppopsize.mul`

Parameters to determine the size  $|N'|$  of the pseudopopulation network. `ppopsize` can be

- "auto"** If the `popsiz` ( $|N|$ ) argument is specified and is different from 1, as if `"pop"`; otherwise, as `"samp"`.
- "samp"** set  $|N'|$  based on the sample size:  $|N'| = |S| \times \text{ppopsize.mul}$
- "pop"** set  $|N'|$  based on the population size:  $|N'| = |N| \times \text{ppopsize.mul}$
- a number** set  $|N'|$  directly (`ppopsize.mul` ignored)
- a network object** use the specified network as the pseudo-population network directly; use at your own risk
- a data frame** use the specified data frame as the pseudo-population; use at your own risk

The default is to use the same pseudopopulation size as the sample size, but, particularly if there are sampling weights in the data, it should be bigger. Note that depending on `ppop.wt`, this may only be an approximate target specification, with the actual constructed pseudopopulation network being slightly bigger or smaller.

`ppop.wt`

Because each ego must be represented in the pseudopopulation network an integral number of times, if the sample is weighted (or the target  $|N'|$  calculated from `ppopsize` and `ppopsize.mul` is not a multiple of the sample size), it may not be possible, for a finite  $|N'|$  to represent each ego exactly according to its relative weight, and `ppop.wt` controls how the fractional egos are allocated:

	<p><b>"round"</b> (default) Rather than treating ppopsize as a hard setting, calculate <math> N' w_i/w</math> for each ego <math>i</math> and round it to the nearest integer. Then, the <math> N' </math> actually used will be the sum of these rounded frequencies.</p> <p><b>"sample"</b> Resample in proportion to <math>w_i</math>.</p>
stats.wt	<p>Weight assigned to each ego's contribution to the ERGM's sufficient statistic:</p> <p><b>"data"</b> (default) Use weights <math> N' w_i/w</math> for each ego <math>i</math> as in the data.</p> <p><b>"ppop"</b> Use weights ultimately used in the pseudopopulation network.</p>
stats.est, boot.R	<p>Method to be used to estimate the ERGM's sufficient statistics and their variance:</p> <p><b>"survey"</b> Variance estimator returned by <code>survey::svymean()</code>, appropriate to the design of the dataset.</p> <p><b>"asymptotic"</b> Delta method, as derived by Krivitsky and Morris (2017), assuming the ego weights are sampled alongside the egos.</p> <p><b>(default)</b> Delta method, as derived by Krivitsky and Morris (2017), assuming the ego weights are sampled alongside the egos.</p> <p><b>"bootstrap"</b> Nonparametric bootstrap with bias correction, resampling egos, using R replications.</p> <p><b>"jackknife"</b> Jackknife with bias correction.</p> <p><b>"naive"</b> "Naive" estimator, assuming that weights are fixed.</p>
ignore.max.alter	<p>if TRUE, ignores any constraints on the number of nominations. Used to be FALSE, now TRUE in light of the findings of Krivitsky et. al (2020).</p>
ergm	Control parameters for the <code>ergm()</code> call to fit the model, constructed by <code>control.ergm()</code> .
...	Not used at this time.

## Value

A list with arguments as components.

## Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

## References

- Pavel N. Krivitsky and Martina Morris (2017). "Inference for social network models from egocentrically sampled data, with application to understanding persistent racial disparities in HIV prevalence in the US." *Annals of Applied Statistics*, 11(1): 427–455. doi:10.1214/16AOAS1010
- Pavel N. Krivitsky, Martina Morris, and Michał Bojanowski (2019). "Inference for Exponential-Family Random Graph Models from Egocentrically-Sampled Data with Alter–Alter Relations." NIASRA Working Paper 08-19. <https://www.uow.edu.au/niasra/publications/>
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### See Also

[control.ergm\(\)](#)

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control.simulate.ergm.ego

*Control parameters for [simulate.ergm.ego](#).*

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### Description

Constructs and checks the list of control parameters for simulation by [simulate.ergm.ego](#).

### Usage

```
control.simulate.ergm.ego(
  ppop.wt = c("round", "sample"),
  SAN = control.san(),
  simulate = control.simulate(),
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

ppop.wt	Because each ego must be represented in the pseudopopulation network an integral number of times, if the sample is weighted (or the target $ N' $ calculated from <code>ppopsize</code> and <code>ppopsize.mul</code> is not a multiple of the sample size), it may not be possible, for a finite $ N' $ to represent each ego exactly according to its relative weight, and <code>ppop.wt</code> controls how the fractional egos are allocated:  <b>"round"</b> (default) Rather than treating <code>ppopsize</code> as a hard setting, calculate $ N' w_i/w$ for each ego $i$ and round it to the nearest integer. Then, the $ N' $ actually used will be the sum of these rounded frequencies.  <b>"sample"</b> Resample in proportion to $w_i$ .
SAN	A list of control parameters for <code>san</code> constructed by <a href="#">control.ergm</a> , called to construct a pseudopopulation network consistent with the data.
simulate	A list of control parameters for <code>simulate.formula</code> constructed by <a href="#">control.simulate</a> , called to simulate from the model fit.
...	Not used at this time.

### Value

A list with arguments as components.

**Author(s)**

Pavel N. Krivitsky

**See Also**

control.simulate, control.san

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degreedist.egor*Plotting the degree distribution of an egocentric dataset*

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**Description**

A `degreedist()` method for `egodata` objects: plot a histogram of the degree distribution of actors in the egocentric dataset, optionally broken down by group and/or compared with a Bernoulli graph.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'
degreedist(
  object,
  freq = FALSE,
  prob = !freq,
  by = NULL,
  brgmod = FALSE,
  main = NULL,
  plot = brgmod,
  weight = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	A <code>egor</code> object.
<code>freq, prob</code>	Whether to plot the raw frequencies or the conditional proportions of the degree values. Defaults to the latter.
<code>by</code>	A character vector giving the name of a vertex attribute; if given, plots the frequencies broken down by that attribute.
<code>brgmod</code>	Plot the range of predicted frequencies/probabilities according to a Bernoulli graph having the same expected density as the observed.
<code>main</code>	Main title of the plot.
<code>plot</code>	Whether to plot the histogram; defaults to the same value as <code>brgmod</code> , i.e., <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>weight</code>	Whether sampling weights should be incorporated into the calculation ( <code>TRUE</code> , the default) or ignored ( <code>FALSE</code> ).
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments to <code>simulate.ergm.ego()</code> .



**Value**

Returns either a vector of degree frequencies/proportions if `by=NULL` or a matrix with a row for each category if not. If `plot==TRUE` returns invisibly.

**See Also**

[degredist](#), [summary](#)

**Examples**

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

degredist(fmh.ego,by="Grade",brgmod=TRUE)
# Compare:
degredist(faux.mesa.high)
```

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ergm.ego

*Inference for Exponential-Family Random Graph Models based on  
Egocentrically Sampled Data*

---

**Description**

A wrapper around the [ergm](#) to fit an ERGM to an [egor](#).

**Usage**

```
ergm.ego(
  formula,
  popsize = 1,
  offset.coef = NULL,
  constraints = ~.,
  ...,
  control = control.ergm.ego(),
  na.action = na.fail,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  do.fit = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

`formula` An [formula](#) object, of the form `e ~ <model terms>`, where `e` is a [egor](#) object. See [ergm](#) for details and examples.  
For a list of currently implemented egocentric terms for the RHS, see [ergm.ego-terms](#).

popsiz	The size $ N $ of the finite population network from which the egocentric sample was taken; only affects the shift in the coefficients of the terms modeling the overall propensity to have ties. Setting it to 1 (the default) essentially uses the $-\log  N' $ offset on the edges term. Passing 0 disables network size adjustment and uses the egocentric sample size; passing $I(N)$ uses the specified size $N$ (though can be overridden by the ppop <code>control.ergm.ego()</code> option) and disables network size adjustment.
offset.coef	A vector of coefficients for the offset terms.
constraints	A one-sided formula <code>formula</code> giving the sample space constraints. See <code>ergm</code> for details and examples.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>ergm</code> .
control	A <code>control.ergm.ego</code> control list.
na.action	How to handle missing actor attributes in egos or alters, when the terms need them for models that scale.
na.rm	How to handle missing actor attributes in egos or alters, when the terms need them for models that do not scale.
do.fit	Whether to actually call <code>ergm</code>

### Value

An object of class `ergm.ego` inheriting from `ergm`, with the following additional or overridden elements:

"v"	Variance-covariance matrix of the estimate of the sufficient statistics
"m"	Estimate of the sufficient statistics
"egor"	The <code>egor</code> object passed
"popsiz"	Population network size used
"ppopsiz"	Pseudopopulation size used, see <code>control.ergm.ego</code>
"coef"	The coefficients, along with the network size adjustment <code>net.size.adj</code> coefficient.
"covar"	Pseudo-MLE estimate of the variance-covariance matrix of the parameter estimates under repeated egocentric sampling
"ergm.covar"	The variance-covariance matrix of parameter estimates under the ERGM superpopulation process (without incorporating sampling).
"DtDe"	Estimated Jacobian of the expectation of the sufficient statistics with respect to the model parameters

### Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

## References

- Pavel N. Krivitsky and Martina Morris (2017). "Inference for social network models from egocentrically sampled data, with application to understanding persistent racial disparities in HIV prevalence in the US." *Annals of Applied Statistics*, 11(1): 427–455. doi:10.1214/16AOAS1010
- Pavel N. Krivitsky, Martina Morris, and Michał Bojanowski (2019). "Inference for Exponential-Family Random Graph Models from Egocentrically-Sampled Data with Alter–Alter Relations." NIASRA Working Paper 08-19. <https://www.uow.edu.au/niasra/publications/>
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- Pavel N. Krivitsky, Mark S. Handcock, and Martina Morris (2011). "Adjusting for Network Size and Composition Effects in Exponential-Family Random Graph Models." *Statistical Methodology*, 8(4): 319–339. doi:10.1016/j.stamet.2011.01.005

## See Also

[ergm\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

head(fmh.ego)

egofit <- ergm.ego(fmh.ego~edges+degree(0:3)+nodefactor("Race")+nodematch("Race")
                 +nodefactor("Sex")+nodematch("Sex")+absdiff("Grade")+gwesp(0,fix=TRUE),
                 popsize=network.size(faux.mesa.high))

# Run convergence diagnostics
mcmc.diagnostics(egofit)

# Estimates and standard errors
summary(egofit)
```

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ergm.ego-terms

[ergm](#) Terms Implemented for [egor](#)

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## Description

This page describes the [ergm](#) terms (and hence network statistics) for which inference based on egocentrically sampled data is implemented in `ergm.ego` package. Other packages may add their own terms. These functions should not be called by the end-user.

## Details

The current recommendation for any package implementing additional egocentric calculator terms is to create a help file with a name or alias `ergm.ego-terms`, so that `help("ergm.ego-terms")` will list egocentric ERGM terms available from all loaded packages.

## Currently implemented egocentric statistics

For each of these, please see their respective package's `ergm-terms` help for meaning and parameters. The simplest way to do this is usually via `? TERM`.

**Special-purpose terms: `netsize.adj(edges=+1, mutual=0, transitivities=0, cyclicalities=0)`** A special-purpose term equivalent to a linear combination of `edges-ergmTerm`, `mutual-ergmTerm`, `transitivities-ergmTerm`, and `cyclicalities-ergmTerm`, to house the network-size adjustment offset. This term is added to the model automatically and should not be used in the model formula directly.

- ergm:**
- offset
  - edges
  - nodecov
  - nodefactor
  - nodematch
  - nodemix
  - absdiff
  - degree
  - degrange
  - concurrent
  - concurrentties
  - degree1.5
  - transitivities
  - cyclicalities
  - esp
  - gwesp
  - gwdegree
  - mm
  - meandeg\*

- tergm:**
- mean.age\*

Starred terms are *nonscaling*, in that while they can be evaluated, some inferential results and standard error calculation methods may not be applicable.

## See Also

[ergm-terms](#)

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fmhfit	<i>Fitted ergm.ego model object</i>
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### Description

This is an object with a fitted model to faux.mesa.high data using the code shown below in the Examples section.

### Format

An object of class ergm.ego.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- egor::as.egor(faux.mesa.high)
fmhfit <- ergm.ego(
  fmh.ego ~ edges + degree(0:3) +
    nodefactor("Race") + nodematch("Race")
  + nodefactor("Sex")+nodematch("Sex")
  + absdiff("Grade") + gwesp(0, fix=TRUE),
  popsize = network.size(faux.mesa.high),
  control = control.ergm.ego(
    ergm = control.ergm(parallel=2)
  )
)

## End(Not run)
```

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gof.ergm.ego	<i>Conduct Goodness-of-Fit Diagnostics on a Exponential Family Random Graph Model fit to Egocentrically Sampled Data</i>
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### Description

[gof.ergm.ego](#) implements the [gof](#) method for [ergm.ego](#) fit objects.

An enhanced plotting method is also provided, giving uncertainty bars for the observed statistics as well.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ergm.ego'
gof(
  object,
  ...,
```

```
GOF = c("model", "degree", "espartners"),
control = control.gof.ergm(),
verbose = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'gof.ergm.ego'
plot(x, ..., ego.conf.level = 0.95)
```

### Arguments

object	An <code>ergm.ego</code> fit.
...	Additional arguments. Unused by <code>gof.ergm.ego()</code> , passed to <code>ergm::plot.gof()</code> by <code>plot.gof.ergm.ego()</code>
GOF	A string specifying the statistics whose goodness of fit is to be evaluated. Currently, only “degree”, “espartners” and “model” are implemented; see <code>gof</code> documentation for details.
control	A list to control parameters, constructed using <code>control.gof.formula</code> or <code>control.gof.ergm</code> (which have different defaults).
verbose	Provide verbose information on the progress of the simulation.
x	an object returned by <code>gof.ergm.ego()</code> .
ego.conf.level	confidence level for the observed statistic estimates as well.

### Value

An object of class `gof.ergm.ego`, inheriting from `gof.ergm`.

### Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

### References

- David R. Hunter, Steven M. Goodreau, and Mark S. Handcock (2008). "Goodness of Fit of Social Network Models." *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 103:481: 248–258. doi:10.1198/016214507000000446

### See Also

For examples, see `ergm.ego`.

### Examples

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

head(fmh.ego)

egofit <- ergm.ego(fmh.ego~edges+degree(0:3)+nodefactor("Race")+nodematch("Race"))
```

```

+nodefactor("Sex")+nodematch("Sex")+absdiff("Grade"),
  popsize=network.size(faux.mesa.high))

# Check whether the model "converged":
(modelgof <- gof(egofit, GOF="model"))
plot(modelgof)

# Check whether the model reconstructs the degree distribution:
(deggof <- gof(egofit, GOF="degree"))
plot(deggof)

```

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mixingmatrix.egor

*Summarizing the mixing among groups in an egocentric dataset*


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## Description

A `mixingmatrix` method for `egor` objects, to return counts of how often a ego of each group nominates an alter of each group.

## Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'egor'
mixingmatrix(object, attrname, rowprob = FALSE, weight = TRUE, ...)

```

## Arguments

<code>object</code>	A <code>egor</code> object.
<code>attrname</code>	A character vector containing the name of the network attribute whose mixing matrix is wanted.
<code>rowprob</code>	Whether the counts should be normalized by row sums. That is, whether they should be proportions conditional on the ego's group.
<code>weight</code>	Whether sampling weights should be incorporated into the calculation (TRUE, the default) or ignored (FALSE).
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments, currently unused.

## Value

A matrix with a row and a column for each level of `attrname`.

Note that, unlike `mixingmatrix`, what is counted are *nominations*, not ties. This means that under an egocentric census, the diagonal of `mixingmatrix.egor` will be twice that returned by `mixingmatrix` for the original undirected network.

## See Also

`mixingmatrix`, `nodemix-ergmTerm`, `summary` method for egocentric data

## Examples

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

(mm <- mixingmatrix(faux.mesa.high,"Grade"))
(mm.ego <- mixingmatrix(fmh.ego,"Grade"))
```

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nodal\_attributes-API    *Helper functions for specifying nodal attribute levels*

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## Description

These functions are meant to be used in EgoStat and other implementations to provide the user with a way to extract nodal attributes and select their levels in standardized and flexible ways. They are intended to parallel [`ergm::nodal\_attributes-API`](#) of `ergm` package.

`ergm.ego_get_vattr` extracts and processes the specified nodal attribute vector. It is strongly recommended that `check.ErgmTerm()`'s corresponding `vartype="function, formula, character"` (using the `ERGM_VATTR_SPEC` constant).

`ergm.ego_attr_levels` filters the levels of the attribute. It is strongly recommended that `check.ErgmTerm()`'s corresponding `vartype="function, formula, character, numeric, logical, AsIs, NULL"` (using the `ERGM_LEVELS_SPEC` constant).

## Usage

```
ergm.ego_get_vattr(
  object,
  df,
  accept = "character",
  multiple = if (accept == "character") "paste" else "stop",
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'character'
ergm.ego_get_vattr(
  object,
  df,
  accept = "character",
  multiple = if (accept == "character") "paste" else "stop",
  ...
)

## S3 method for class '`function`'
ergm.ego_get_vattr(
  object,
  df,
```



```

    accept = "character",
    multiple = if (accept == "character") "paste" else "stop",
    ...
)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
ergm.ego_get_vattr(
  object,
  df,
  accept = "character",
  multiple = if (accept == "character") "paste" else "stop",
  ...
)

ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'numeric'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'logical'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'AsIs'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class '`NULL`'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class '`function`'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
ergm.ego_attr_levels(object, attr, egor, levels = sort(unique(attr)), ...)

COLLAPSE_SMALLEST(object, n, into)

```

### Arguments

object	An argument specifying the nodal attribute to select or which levels to include.
df	Table of egos or of alters.
accept	A character vector listing permitted data types for the output. See the Details section for the specification.

multiple	Handling of multiple attributes or matrix or data frame output. See the Details section for the specification.
...	Additional argument to the functions of network or to the formula's environment.
attr	A vector of length equal to the number of nodes, specifying the attribute vector.
egor	An <a href="#">egor</a> object.
levels	Starting set of levels to use; defaults to the sorted list of unique attributes.
n, into	see <a href="#">ergm::COLLAPSE_SMALLEST()</a> .

### Details

The `accept` argument is meant to allow the user to quickly check whether the output is of an *acceptable* class or mode. Typically, if a term accepts a character (i.e., categorical) attribute, it will also accept a numeric one, treating each number as a category label. For this reason, the following outputs are defined:

"character" Accept any mode or class (since it can beconverted to character).

"numeric" Accept real, integer, or logical.

"logical" Accept logical.

"integer" Accept integer or logical.

"natural" Accept a strictly positive integer.

"0natural" Accept a nonnegative integer or logical.

"nonnegative" Accept a nonnegative number or logical.

"positive" Accept a strictly positive number or logical.

"paste" Paste together with dot as the separator.

"stop" Fail with an error message.

"matrix" Construct and/or return a matrix whose rows correspond to vertices.

### Value

`ergm.ego_get_vattr` returns a vector of length equal to the number of nodes giving the selected attribute function. It may also have an attribute `"name"`, which controls the suggested name of the attribute combination.

`ergm.ego_attr_levels` returns a vector of levels to use and their order.

### Functions

- `COLLAPSE_SMALLEST`: A version of [ergm::COLLAPSE\\_SMALLEST\(\)](#) that can handle both [network](#) and [egodata](#) objects.

**Examples**

```

data(florentine)
flomego <- as.egor(flomarriage)
ergm.ego_get_vattr("priorates", flomego)
ergm.ego_get_vattr(~priorates, flomego)
ergm.ego_get_vattr(c("wealth","priorates"), flomego)
ergm.ego_get_vattr(~priorates>30, flomego)
(a <- ergm.ego_get_vattr(~cut(priorates,c(-Inf,0,20,40,60,Inf),label=FALSE)-1, flomego))
ergm.ego_attr_levels(NULL, a, flomego)
ergm.ego_attr_levels(-1, a, flomego)
ergm.ego_attr_levels(1:2, a, flomego)
ergm.ego_attr_levels(I(1:2), a, flomego)

```

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predict.ergm.ego	<i>ERGM-based predicted tie probabilities for the pseudo-population network</i>
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**Description**

ERGM-based predicted tie probabilities for the pseudo-population network

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'ergm.ego'
predict(object, ...)

```

**Arguments**

object	model fit as returned by <a href="#">ergm.ego()</a>
...	other arguments passed to/from other methods

**Value**

See [ergm::predict.ergm\(\)](#)

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sample	<i>Draw random egocentric subsamples</i>
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**Description**

Implementations of the [base::sample\(\)](#) function for [egor::egor\(\)](#) data.

**Usage**

```
sample(x, size, replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, ...)

## Default S3 method:
sample(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'egor'
sample(x, size, replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

```
x, size, replace, prob
                        see base::sample\(\).
...                    extra arguments, currently unused.
```

**Value**

An `egor::egor()` object whose egos have been resampled in accordance with the arguments. Note that its `egor::ego_design()` information is overwritten in favor of the selection probabilities used in the sampling.

**Note**

A reimplementaion of `sample` as a generic was necessary because `base::sample()` is not a generic and cannot take data-frame-alikes as arguments.

**Examples**

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

# Create a tiny weighted sample:
(s3 <- sample(fmh.ego, 3, replace=TRUE, prob=1:nrow(fmh.ego$ego)))
# Resampling with prob=weights(egor) creates a self-weighted
# sample:
(sample(s3, 3, replace=TRUE, prob=weights(s3)))

# Create a large weighted sample, oversampling 12th-graders:
p <- ifelse(as_tibble(fmh.ego$ego)$Grade==12, 2, 1)
s2000 <- sample(fmh.ego, 2000, replace=TRUE, prob=p)

# Summary function adjusts for weights:
(summ.net <- summary(faux.mesa.high ~ edges + nodematch("Grade") +
                    nodefactor("Race") + gwesp(0,fix=TRUE)))
(summ.ego <- summary(s2000 ~ edges + nodematch("Grade") +
                    nodefactor("Race") + gwesp(0,fix=TRUE),
                    scaleto=network.size(faux.mesa.high)))
```

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simulate.ergm.ego      *Simulate from a [ergm.ego](#) fit.*

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## Description

A wrapper around [simulate.formula](#) to simulate networks from an ERGM fit using [ergm.ego](#).

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ergm.ego'
simulate(
  object,
  nsim = 1,
  seed = NULL,
  constraints = object$constraints,
  popsize = if (object$popsize == 1 || object$popsize == 0 || is(object$popsize,
    "AsIs")) object$ppopsize else object$popsize,
  control = control.simulate.ergm.ego(),
  output = c("network", "stats", "edgelist", "pending_update_network", "ergm_state"),
  ...,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

object	An <a href="#">ergm.ego</a> fit.
nsim	Number of realizations to simulate.
seed	Random seed.
constraints, ...	Additional arguments passed to <a href="#">san</a> and <a href="#">simulate.formula</a> .
popsize	Either network size to which to scale the model for simulation or a <a href="#">data.frame</a> with at least those ego attributes required to estimate the model, to simulate over a specific set of actors.
control	A <a href="#">control.simulate.ergm.ego</a> control list.
output	one of "network", "stats", "edgelist", "pending_update_network", or, for future compatibility, "ergm_state". See help for <a href="#">simulate.ergm()</a> for explanation.
verbose	Verbosity of output.

## Value

The output has the same format (with the same options) as [simulate.formula](#). If output="stats" is passed, an additional attribute, "ppopsize" is set, giving the actual size of the network reconstructed, when the pop.wt control parameter is set to "round" and "popsize" is not a multiple of the egocentric sample size or the sampling weights.

**Author(s)**

Pavel N. Krivitsky

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**See Also**

[simulate.formula](#), [simulate.ergm](#)

**Examples**

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)
data(fmhfit)
colMeans(egosim <- simulate(fmhfit, popsize=300,nsim=50,
                           output="stats", control=control.simulate.ergm.ego(
                             simulate=control.simulate.formula(MCMC.burnin=2e6))))
colMeans(egosim)/attr(egosim,"ppopsize")*network.size(faux.mesa.high)
summary(faux.mesa.high~edges+degree(0:3)+nodefactor("Race")+nodematch("Race")
        +nodefactor("Sex")+nodematch("Sex")+absdiff("Grade"))
```

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snctrl

*Statnet Control*

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**Description**

A utility to facilitate argument completion of control lists, reexported from `statnet.common`.

**Currently recognised control parameters**

This list is updated as packages are loaded and unloaded.

**See Also**

[statnet.common::snctrl\(\)](#)

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summary\_formula.egor *Calculation of ERGM-style summary statistics for egor objects.*

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## Description

Used to calculate the specified network statistics inferred from a [egor](#) object.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'egor'
summary_formula(object, ..., basis = NULL, individual = FALSE, scaleto = NULL)

## S3 method for class 'ergm.ego_svystat'
x * y
```

## Arguments

object	An <a href="#">ergm</a> -style formula with a <a href="#">egor</a> object as the LHS. For a list of currently implemented egocentric terms for the RHS, see <a href="#">ergm.ego-terms</a> .
...	Not used at this time.
basis	An optional <a href="#">egor</a> object relative to which the statistics should be calculated.
individual	If FALSE (the default), calculate the estimated per-capita statistics, weighted according to the ego weights, then scale them up to a network of size <code>scaleto</code> . If TRUE, calculate each ego's individual contribution to the specified network statistics.
scaleto	Size of a hypothetical network to which to scale the statistics. Defaults to the number of egos in the dataset.
x, y	see <a href="#">*.svystat</a> .

## Value

If `individual==FALSE`, an `ergm.ego_svystat` object, which is a subclass of [svystat](#)—effectively a named vector of statistics. If `individual==TRUE`, a matrix with a row for each ego, giving that ego's contribution to the network statistic.

## Functions

- `*.ergm.ego_svystat`: A multiplication method that takes into account which statistics are scalable.

## Author(s)

Pavel N. Krivitsky

## References

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## See Also

[summary\\_formula](#), [summary\\_formula.ergm](#)

## Examples

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)
(nw.summ <- summary(faux.mesa.high~edges+degree(0:3)+nodematch("Race")+
  nodematch("Sex")+absdiff("Grade")+nodemix("Grade")))

(ego.summ <- summary(fmh.ego~edges+degree(0:3)+nodematch("Race")+nodematch("Sex")+
  absdiff("Grade")+nodemix("Grade"),
  scaleto=network.size(faux.mesa.high)))

stopifnot(isTRUE(all.equal(as.vector(nw.summ),as.vector(ego.summ))))

(ego.summ2 <- summary(fmh.ego ~ edges + meandeg + degree(0:2)))
vcov(ego.summ2)

ego.summ2 * 2 # edges and degrees scales, meandeg doesn't
vcov(ego.summ2 * 2)
```

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template\_network

*Construct an Empty “Template” Network Consistent with an Egocentric Sample*

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## Description

Taking a [egor](#) object, constructs a [network](#) object with no edges whose vertices have the attributes of the egos in the dataset, replicating the egos as needed, and taking into accounts their sampling weights.

## Usage

```
template_network(x, N, scaling = c("round", "sample"), ...)
```



**Arguments**

x	A <a href="#">egor</a> object.
N	The target number of vertices the output network should have.
scaling	If <a href="#">egor</a> contains weights or N is not a multiple of number of egos in the sample, it may not be possible, for a finite N to represent each ego exactly according to its relative weight, and scaling controls how the fractional egos are allocated: <b>"round"</b> (the default) Rather than treating N as a hard setting, calculate $Nw_i/w$ for each ego $i$ and round it to the nearest integer. Then, the N actually used will be the sum of these rounded frequencies. <b>"sample"</b> Resample in proportion to $w_i$ .
...	Additional arguments, currently unused.

**Value**

A [network](#) object.

**Author(s)**

Pavel N. Krivitsky

**See Also**

[as.egor.network](#), which performs the inverse operation.

**Examples**

```
data(faux.mesa.high)
summary(faux.mesa.high, print.adj = FALSE)

fmh.ego <- as.egor(faux.mesa.high)

# Same actor attributes
fmh.template <- template_network(fmh.ego, N=network.size(faux.mesa.high))
summary(fmh.template, print.adj = FALSE)

# Twice the actors, same distribution
fmh2.template <- template_network(fmh.ego, N=2*network.size(faux.mesa.high))
summary(fmh2.template, print.adj = FALSE)
```

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