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assortment.continuous *Assortment on continuous vertex values*

Description

Calculates the assortativity coefficient for weighted and unweighted graphs with numerical vertex values

Usage

```
assortment.continuous(graph, vertex_values, weighted = TRUE,
  SE = FALSE, M = 1, na.rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

graph	A Adjacency matrix, as an N x N matrix. Can be weighted or binary.
vertex_values	Values on which to calculate assortment, vector of N numbers
weighted	Flag: TRUE to use weighted edges, FALSE to turn edges into binary (even if weights are given)
SE	Calculate standard error using the Jackknife method.
M	Binning value for Jackknife, where M edges are removed rather than single edges. This helps speed up the estimate for large networks with many edges.
na.rm	Remove all nodes which have NA as vertex_values from both the network and the vertex_values object. If this is False and NAs are present, an error message will be displayed.

Value

This function returns a named list, with two elements:
 \$r the assortativity coefficient \$SE the standard error

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Examples

```
# DIRECTED NETWORK EXAMPLE
# Create a random directed network
N <- 20
dyads <- expand.grid(ID1=1:20, ID2=1:20)
dyads <- dyads[which(dyads$ID1 != dyads$ID2),]
weights <- rbeta(nrow(dyads), 1, 15)
network <- matrix(0, nrow=N, ncol=N)
network[cbind(dyads$ID1, dyads$ID2)] <- weights

# Create random continuous trait values
traits <- rnorm(N)

# Test for assortment as binary network
assortment.continuous(network, traits, weighted=FALSE)

# Test for assortment as weighted network
assortment.continuous(network, traits, weighted=TRUE)

# UNDIRECTED NETWORK EXAMPLE
# Create a random undirected network
N <- 20
dyads <- expand.grid(ID1=1:20, ID2=1:20)
dyads <- dyads[which(dyads$ID1 < dyads$ID2),]
weights <- rbeta(nrow(dyads), 1, 15)
network <- matrix(0, nrow=N, ncol=N)
network[cbind(dyads$ID1, dyads$ID2)] <- weights
network[cbind(dyads$ID2, dyads$ID1)] <- weights

# Create random continuous trait values
traits <- rnorm(N)

# Test for assortment as binary network
assortment.continuous(network, traits, weighted=FALSE)
```

```
# Test for assortment as weighted network
assortment.continuous(network, traits, weighted=TRUE)
```

```
assortment.discrete    Assortment on discrete vertex values
```

Description

Calculates the assortativity coefficient for weighted and unweighted graphs with nominal/categorical vertex values

Usage

```
assortment.discrete(graph, types, weighted = TRUE, SE = FALSE, M = 1, na.rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

graph	Adjacency matrix, as an N x N matrix. Can be weighted or binary.
types	Values on which to calculate assortment, vector of N labels
weighted	Flag: TRUE to use weighted edges, FALSE to turn edges into binary (even if weights are given)
SE	Calculate standard error using the Jackknife method.
M	Binning value for Jackknife, where M edges are removed rather than single edges. This helps speed up the estimate for large networks with many edges.
na.rm	Remove all nodes which have NA as type from both the network and the types object. If this is False and NAs are present, an error message will be displayed.

Value

This function returns a named list, with three elements:

\$r the assortativity coefficient \$SE the standard error \$mixing_matrix the mixing matrix with the distribution of edges or edge weights by category

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References

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weights <- rbeta(nrow(dyads), 1, 15)
network <- matrix(0, nrow=N, ncol=N)
network[cbind(dyads$ID1, dyads$ID2)] <- weights

# Create random discrete trait values
traits <- rpois(N, 2)

# Test for assortment as binary network
assortment.discrete(network, traits, weighted=FALSE)

# Test for assortment as weighted network
assortment.discrete(network, traits, weighted=TRUE)

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# Create a random undirected network
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dyads <- dyads[which(dyads$ID1 < dyads$ID2),]
weights <- rbeta(nrow(dyads), 1, 15)
network <- matrix(0, nrow=N, ncol=N)
network[cbind(dyads$ID1, dyads$ID2)] <- weights
network[cbind(dyads$ID2, dyads$ID1)] <- weights

# Create random discrete trait values
traits <- rpois(N, 2)

# Test for assortment as binary network
assortment.discrete(network, traits, weighted=FALSE)

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assortment.discrete(network, traits, weighted=TRUE)
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