

# Package: quickdag (via r-universe)

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**Title** Make Beautiful Directed Acyclic Graphs

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**Description** This package allows the user the save directed acyclic graphs (DAGs) generated in DiagrammeR and export them to pdf, png, or svg format. Users may optionally choose to view the DAG without saving or to embed it in an RMarkdown document. In addition, quickDAG allows the user easily to reformat DAGs as single-world intervention graph (SWIG) templates.

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makeDAG	<i>Output, view, or embed DAGs.</i>
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### Description

Save directed acyclic graphs (DAGs) generated in DiagrammeR and export them to pdf, png, or svg format. Users may optionally choose to view the DAG without saving or to embed it in an RMarkdown document.

### Usage

```
makeDAG(
  graphcode = NULL,
  dagname = NULL,
  filetype = "pdf",
  text.nodes = NULL,
  box.nodes = NULL,
  solid.edges = NULL,
  dashed.edges = NULL,
  footnotes = NULL,
  direction = "LR",
  embed = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

graphcode	Partial graphViz code object, which will give you the most control over the appearance of your DAG.
dagname	A path with which to name your DAG file, if filetype set to output format (see below).
filetype	Output file format. Select from pdf, png, svg, or view. Setting the option to view will not save a file but will generate the diagram in your viewer. Defaults to pdf.
text.nodes	A string containing the plain text nodes, separated by spaces.
box.nodes	A string containing the boxed nodes, separated by spaces.
solid.edges	A string specifying the paths you want to draw between measured covariates. Example: "Alcohol -> Smoking Smoking -> Cancer".

dashed.edges	A string specifying paths containing unmeasured covariates.
footnotes	Add a footnote to the bottom of the graph.
direction	Specify the direction of diagram flow. Defaults to "LR", for left-right.
embed	For use within R chunks in RMarkdown only. You will probably want to have the echo chunk option set to FALSE, unless you want to display the R code itself. The embed defaults to TRUE.
...	Pass arguments to interior functions for PNG or SVG files. For instance, specify height and width arguments.

### Note

This is not a true DAG package in the sense that it will not prevent the inclusion of feedback loops or bidirectional arrows. It's meant mostly to create reasonable-looking DAGs quickly and easily with a minimum of layout or formatting code. DiagrammeR in general does a pretty good job at layout. Those interested in DAGs might check out other R packages like dagR or dagitty, both of which I've yet to explore in detail.

Suggestions and issue reports welcome at <https://github.com/jrgant/quickDAG/issues!>

### References

A fair amount of the heavy lifting here is done thanks to code snippets from users HJAllen and puterleat on the following thread: <https://github.com/rich-iannone/DiagrammeR/issues/133>

Packages used: DiagrammeR, DiagrammeRsvg, rsvg

### Examples

```
# Using your own graph code

# Examples have been removed, as makeDAG() is now deprecated.
```

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qd_dag	<i>Generate a graph object</i>
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### Description

Provide simple syntax specifying paths between nodes to generate a graph object.

### Usage

```
qd_dag(
  edgelist,
  node.labs = NULL,
  node.aes.opts = list(),
  edge.aes.opts = list(),
```

```

    verbose = TRUE,
    check.dag = TRUE,
    theme = "base",
    ...
  )

```

## Arguments

edgelist	A vector of edge relationships. Must be strictly organized (see example for format).
node.labs	A named character vector containing label names. Defaults to NULL.
node.aes.opts	A list feeding aesthetic options for nodes to <code>DiagrammeR::node_aes()</code> . Defaults to empty list. See <code>?node_aes</code> to view available parameters.
edge.aes.opts	A list feeding aesthetic options for edges to <code>DiagrammeR::edge_aes()</code> . Defaults to empty list. See <code>?edge_aes</code> to view available parameters.
verbose	Indicate whether to print node and edge dataframes to the console. See NOTE below. Defaults to TRUE.
check.dag	Logical. Check whether the graph conforms to the rules of DAGs. Defaults to TRUE.
theme	Choose theme for plot output. Defaults to "base". Setting theme to NULL will use DiagrammeR's NULL attribute theme.
...	Pass optional conditioned argument to <code>qd_themes()</code> .

## Details

Suggestions and bug reports welcome at <https://github.com/jrgant/quickDAG/issues>.

Packages used: DiagrammeR, stringr, purrr

## Note

Leaving the checks option selected may be advisable to ensure labels and IDs have not been mismatched. By default, `qd_dag()` alphabetizes nodes included in `edgelist` and does the same for `node.labs` under a first assumption that labels will begin with the same letter as their corresponding `alpha.id`, which may not always be the case.

## Examples

```

# Provide a list of edges, with nodes specified as letters.
# Do not list a node as a parent more than once.
# Each line should contain a single edge character '->'.
edges <- c("A -> { B C }",
          "B -> C")

# make a DAG object and render the graph using the default theme
g.obj <- qd_dag(edges)
render_graph(g.obj)

# Pass labels and aesthetic options for nodes or edges

```

```

g.obj2 <- qd_dag(edges,
  node.labs = c("A" = "Alcohol",
               "B" = "BP",
               "C" = "CVD"),
  node.aes.opts = list(shape = "plaintext",
                      fillcolor = "none",
                      color = "black"),
  edge.aes.opts = list(arrowsize = 0.5,
                      color = "gray"),
  theme = NULL)
render_graph(g.obj2)

```

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qd\_embed

*Embed diagrams in RMarkdown*


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### Description

A wrapper around `qd_save()` meant for use within R code chunks in RMarkdown documents.

### Usage

```
qd_embed(...)
```

### Arguments

... Pass arguments to `qd_save()`.

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qd\_save

*Save graph objects*


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### Description

Export high-quality, scalable graphics for both print and online.

### Usage

```
qd_save(graph, filename = NULL, filetype = "pdf", embed = F, ...)
```

### Arguments

graph	Either a DiagrammeR graph object or a diagram generated by <code>render_graph()</code> .
filename	String for filename. Defaults to NULL.
filetype	One of pdf, eps, pdf, svg. Defaults to pdf.
embed	Defaults to FALSE. Automatically set to TRUE by <code>qd_embed()</code> .
...	Pass arguments to <code>render_graph()</code> , e.g., width and height (pixels) for .png files.

## Functions

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qd\_swig

*Generate a single-world intervention graph (SWIG)*

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## Description

Take a DAG graph object and, in the simplest case, create a single-world intervention template corresponding to a world in which the fixed nodes are set to a given value. Alternatively, tell qd\_swig which values fixed nodes will be set to.

## Usage

```
qd_swig(
  graph.obj,
  fixed.nodes,
  custom.values = NULL,
  fixed.sep = "vlin",
  sep.point.size = 15
)
```

## Arguments

graph.obj	A DAG object created by qd_dag().
fixed.nodes	A vector containing the nodes to be intervened upon.
custom.values	A named vector containing alternative labels identifying explicit values for fixed nodes (e.g., a = 1).
fixed.sep	A character string indicating which character to use as a separator in fixed nodes. Defaults to "vlin". Run sep_opts(T) for available options.
sep.point.size	A numerical value specifying the point size for fixed node separators.

## Examples

```
# Provide a DAG object and a list of nodes to be fixed
edges <- c("A -> Y",
          "L -> { A Y }")

dag <- qd_dag(edges)

swig <- dag %>%
  qd_swig(fixed.nodes = "A",
         custom.values = c("A" = "1"))

swig %>% render_graph()
```

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qd\_themes                      *Diagram themes*

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### Description

Apply various pre-fabricated themes to diagrams.

### Usage

```
qd_themes(graph.obj, theme, ...)
theme_base(graph.obj, font = "serif", ...)
theme_circles(graph.obj, font = "serif", ...)
theme_dots(graph.obj, font = "serif", ...)
get_conditioned_nodes(graph.obj, conditioned = NULL)
```

### Arguments

graph.obj	A DAG object created by qd_dag().
theme	A character string indicating the theme to use. Defaults to "base". Set to NULL to use GraphViz defaults.
...	Pass arguments to theme call (e.g., theme_base()), such as conditioned or font
font	A character vector indicating the font family to use for node labels. Defaults to "serif".
conditioned	A character vector indicating which nodes are conditioned upon. The shape for these nodes will be set to "square".

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qd\_todagitty                      *Identify variables for adjustment*

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### Description

Format an edgelist and send it to dagitty to identify variable adjustment sets.

**Usage**

```

qd_todagitty(
  edgelist,
  diagram_type = "dag",
  showplot = FALSE,
  send.global = FALSE,
  dagitty.obj.name = NULL,
  exposure,
  outcome,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

<code>edgelist</code>	A vector of edge relationships. Must be strictly organized (see example for format).
<code>diagram_type</code>	Character identifying the diagram type. Defaults to "dag", but user can specify another graph type (see dagitty documentation).
<code>showplot</code>	Logical indicating whether to produce a dagitty plot. Defaults to FALSE.
<code>send.global</code>	Logical indicating whether to make the dagitty object available in the global environment. Defaults to FALSE.
<code>dagitty.obj.name</code>	Character specifying the name of the dagitty object. Only used and required if <code>send.global = TRUE</code> .
<code>exposure</code>	Character. Specify exposure of interest. (Required)
<code>outcome</code>	Character. Specify outcome of interest. (Required)
<code>...</code>	Pass arguments to <code>adjustmentSets()</code> . See dagitty documentation for options.

**Note**

The exposure and outcome options map to dagitty functions of the same name.

**Examples**

```

edges <- c("A -> { B C D }",
          "B -> C",
          "E -> { B C }")

# must pass exposure and outcome arguments to dagitty::adjustmentSets()
qd_todagitty(edges, exposure = "A", outcome = "C")
qd_todagitty(edges, exposure = "A", outcome = "C", type = "minimal")

```



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sep_opts	<i>View options for fixed node separator characters</i>
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**Description**

Preview character options for use as the fixed node separator in SWIGs.

**Usage**

```
sep_opts(table = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

table	Logical to show or hide HTML table display of available characters. Defaults to FALSE.
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