

ECPR Methods Summer School: Automated Collection of Web and Social Data

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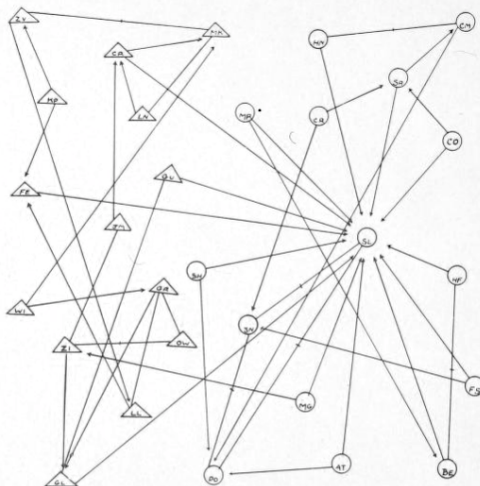
Course website:

github.com/pablobarbera/ECPR-SC103

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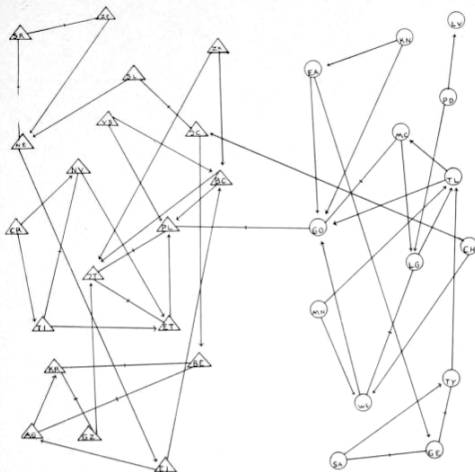


CLASS STRUCTURE, 2ND GRADE

14 boys and 14 girls. *Unchosen*, 9, WI, KP, MG, AT, FS, CN, CR, MR, SH; *Pairs*, 11, ZV-MK, MK-LN, OW-ZI, GR-LL, ZI-JM, HN-CM, SL-JN, JN-PO, PO-SL, HF-BE, GL-GU; *Stars*, 2, SL, PO; *Chains*, 0; *Triangles*, 1, SL-JN-PO; *Inter-sexual Attractions*, 5.

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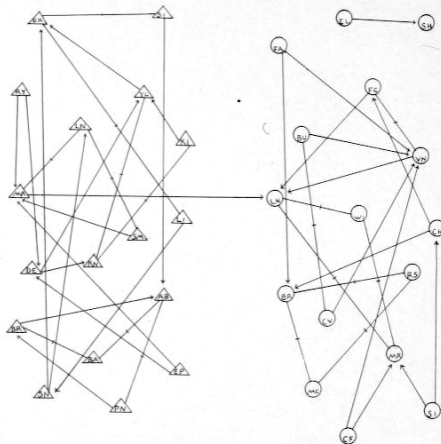


CLASS STRUCTURE, 3RD GRADE

19 boys and 14 girls. *Unchosen*, 7, VS, CR, CH, MN, PO, KN, ZK; *Pairs*, 14, SR-ZC, SR-NE, SL-JC, NV-TI, PL-JT, JT-ET, KR-BE, BE-AG, RR-GZ, PL-GO, GO-MC, WL-LG, SA-GE, GE-TY; *Stars*, 3, GO, PL, JT; *Chains*, 1, ET-JT-PL-GO-MC; *Triangles*, 0; *Inter-sexual Attractions*, 3.

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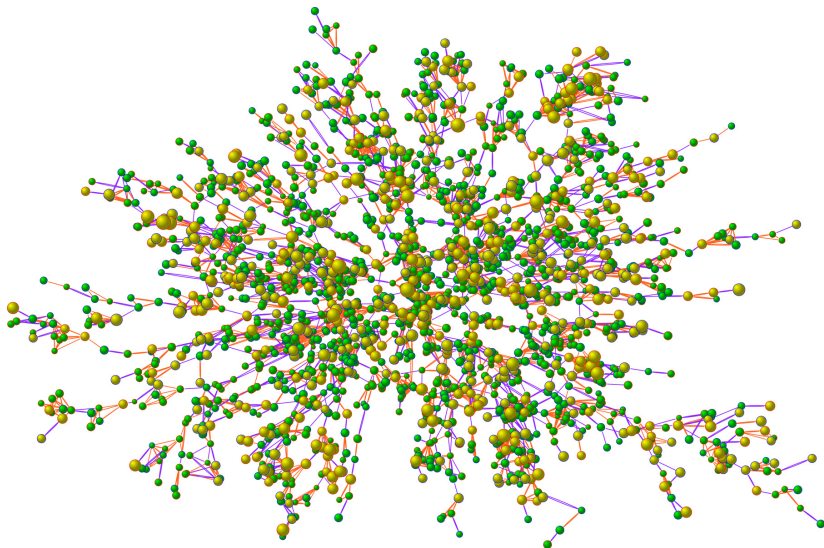
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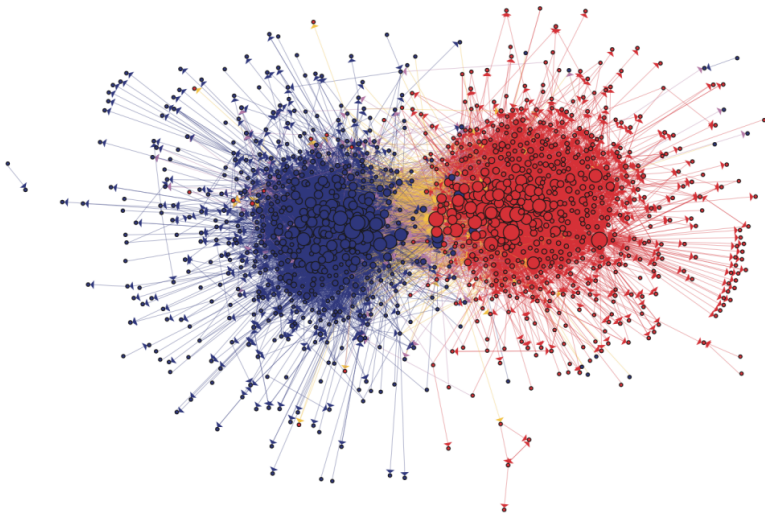
CLASS STRUCTURE, 4TH GRADE

17 boys and 16 girls. *Unchosen*, 6, EP, RY, EL, FA, SI, CF; *Pairs*, 17, GR-SI, GR-LI, MR-LN, LN-SM, YL-KN, AB-BA, BA-BR, KI-KN, AB-PN, FC-VN, BU-CV, LN-WI, LN-MR, BR-MC, BR-RS, WI-MR, MC-RS; *Stars*, 2, LN, VN; *Chains*, 0; *Triangles*, 2, BR-RS-MC; LN-WI-MR; *Inter-sexual Attractions*, 1.

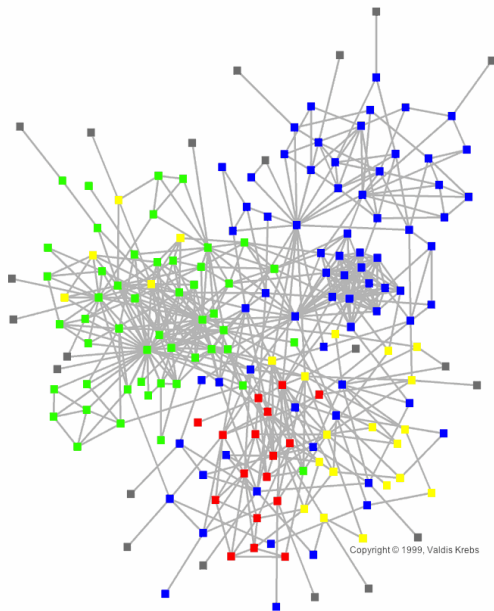
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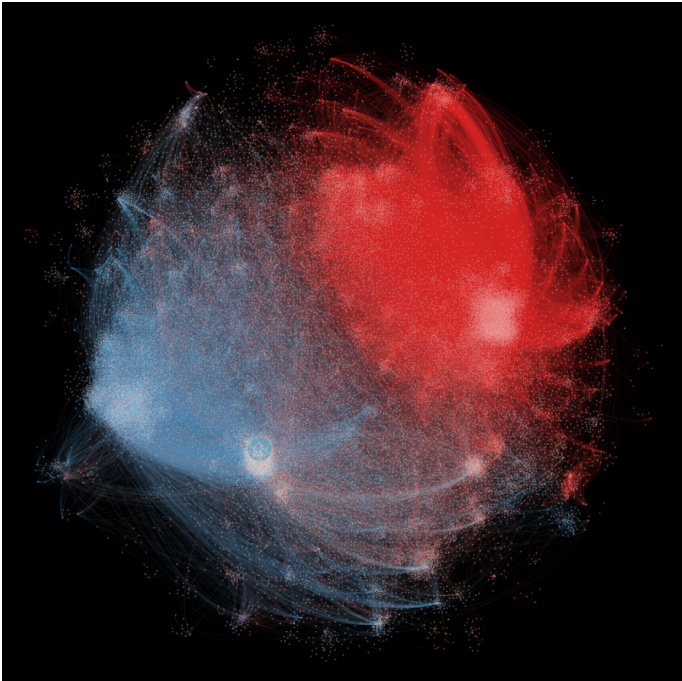
Christakis & Fowler, NEJM, 2007



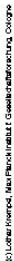
Adamic & Glance, 2004, IWLD



Email network of a company



Barbera et al, 2015, Psychological Science



Social Network Analysis

Today:

- ▶ Basic concepts
- ▶ Importing network data into R
- ▶ Network visualization
- ▶ Node and network-level summary statistics
- ▶ Community detection
- ▶ Network decomposition techniques

Beyond the scope of this course (but ask me!)

- ▶ Modeling network properties: Exponential random graph models
- ▶ Large-scale network visualization with Gephi
- ▶ Bipartite/Multiplex networks

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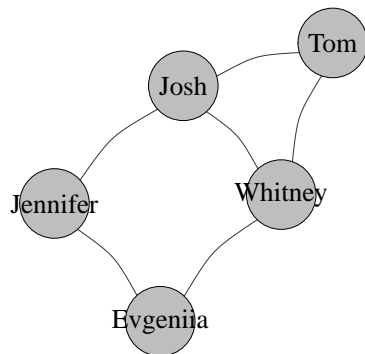
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- ▶ Biology: neurons / connections

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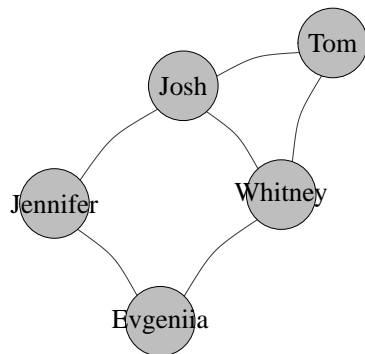


Adjacency Matrix

	J	J	E	W	T
J	0	1	1	0	0
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E	1	0	0	1	0
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T	0	1	0	1	0

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Edgelist

	Node1	Node2
1	Jennifer	Josh
2	Jennifer	Evgeniia
3	Josh	Whitney
4	Josh	Tom
5	Whitney	Tom
6	Evgeniia	Whitney