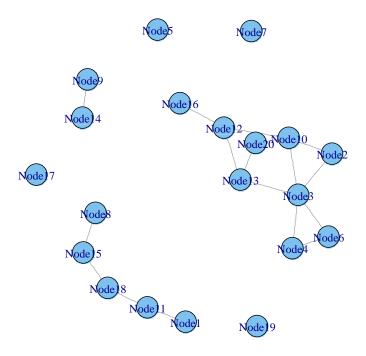
Problem 7: Friends and Smokers

Consider the following graph (available as problem-7-friends.csv):



Define a Markov Random Field as follows:

People have a prior probability of smoking of 0.2

All else being equal, it is 3 times as likely that two friends have the same smoking habit than different.

$$P(S) \propto \exp\left[\sum_{i} \phi(s_{i}) + \sum_{(i,j) \in Friends} \psi(s_{i}, s_{j})\right]$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 1) = \log 0.2 = -1.60943$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 0) = \log 0.8 = -0.22314$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 0, s_{j} = 0) = 0.549306$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 1, s_{j} = 1) = 0.549306$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 1, s_{j} = 0) = -0.549306$$

$$\phi(s_{i} = 0, s_{j} = 1) = -0.549306$$

Query: Compute the marginal probability of smoking for each of the unobserved nodes given the six observed nodes:

	Observation
Node	of Smokes
1	1
2	
3 4	
4	0
5	
6	0
7	
8	1
9	1
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	1
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	

Additional graphs can be generated using the code in problem-7-generator.R. This file also contains a very slow implementation of Gibbs sampling as a baseline method.

Query 1: For each of the unobserved nodes, compute the posterior marginal probability that that person is a smoker.

Metric 1: The sum, over all of the queried nodes, of the absolute difference between the computed and the true posterior probability.