## Network representations, basic network algorithms

You are given four networks in Pajek format that was presented in lectures.

- Tiny toy network for testing (<u>toy.net</u>)
- Zachary karate club network (<u>karate\_club.net</u>)
- iMDB actors collaboration network (collaboration imdb.net)
- A small part of Google web graph (<u>www\_google.net</u>)

## I. Adjacency list representation

- 1. **(code)** Assume that all networks are undirected. Implement your own adjacency list representation of the networks as an array of lists and represent all four networks.
- 2. **(discuss)** Now, assume that all networks are directed. How would you extend your network representation?
- 3. **(discuss)** Does your network representation allow for multiple links between the nodes, loops on nodes and isolated nodes?

## II. Basic network statistics

- 1. **(code)** Compute basic statistics of all four networks. Namely, the number of nodes n and links m, the average node degree  $\langle k \rangle = 2m/n$  and the undirected density  $\rho = m/\binom{n}{2}$ . Are the results expected?
- 2. **(code)** Compute the number of isolated nodes and the number of pendant nodes (i.e. degree-1 nodes), and the maximum node degree  $k_{\text{max}}$ . How do the values of  $k_{\text{max}}$  compare to  $\langle k \rangle$ ?
- 3. (discuss) What is the time complexity of the computations above?

## III. Network connected components

1. **(discuss)** Study the following algorithm for computing (weakly) connected components  $\{C\}$  by any order link traversal. Does the algorithm implement breadth-first or depth-first search? Why? What is the time complexity of the algorithm?

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input graph G, nodes N
                                                        input graph G, nodes N, node i
output network components { C }
                                                        output weak component C
   1: \{C\} \leftarrow \text{empty list}
                                                            1: C \leftarrow \text{empty list}
   2: while not N empty do
                                                            2: S \leftarrow \text{empty stack}
           {C}.add(component(G, N, N.next()))
                                                                N.remove(S.push(i))
                                                                while not S empty do
       return { C }
   4:
                                                                    C.add(i \leftarrow S.pop())
                                                            5:
                                                                    for neighbors j \in \Gamma_i do
                                                            6:
                                                                       if N.remove(j) then
                                                            7:
                                                                           S.push(j)
                                                            8:
                                                            9: return C
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- 2. **(code)** Implement the algorithm and compute the number of (weakly) connected components s and the size of the largest (weakly) connected component S of all four networks. Are the results expected?
- 3. (discuss) How could you further improve the algorithm to *only* compute s and S?