CSI 445/660 – Network Science – Fall 2015 CINET Assignment I

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Due date: Oct. 16, 2015

The purpose of this assignment is to familiarize students with the use of CINET. The assignment has two parts.

Part I: The purpose of this part is to become familiar with the network analysis feature of CINET. You are required to do the following.

- 1. Find *two* networks available in CINET so that each network satisfies *both* of the following conditions.
 - (a) The network has at least 500 nodes.
 - (b) It is *not* connected.
- 2. For each of the two networks chosen in Step 1, use CINET to compute the following.
 - (a) The degree distribution. (Use the "Normalized" option in CINET for this measure.)
 - (b) The distribution of clustering coefficients of nodes. (Use the "Clustering Coef. (Cc) Distribution" measure in CINET and the default parameters provided by CINET.)
 - (c) The distribution of the sizes of the connected components.

For each network, your report for Part I must include the following:

- (1) The name of the network, the number of nodes and edges in the network.
- (2) The three plots corresponding to Items 2(a), 2(b) and 2(c) described above. (For Item 2(c), you may show a table instead of a plot.)

Part II: The purpose of this part is to ensure that students become familiar with the following: (i) the NetworkX format for graphs and (ii) the procedure to upload a network to CINET.

You are required to do the following. (Note that Steps 1 and 2 below *don't* involve CINET.)

- 1. Construct a network that satisfies *all* of the following six properties.
 - (a) The number of nodes in the network is exactly 12.
 - (b) It is connected.
 - (c) The clustering coefficient of every node is *strictly greater than* 0.

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- (d) It has at least two bridges.
- (e) It has at least three articulation points.
- (f) The number of triangles is as large as possible.

Note: Ravi has an example of a network that satisfies Properties 1(a) through 1(e) above and has 22 triangles. Try to come up with a network with a larger number of triangles.

- 2. Prepare a file that represents your network in NetworkX format.
- 3. Upload the network (i.e., the file that you created in Step 2) to CINET.
- 4. For your network, find the following using CINET.
 - (a) The degree distribution. (As mentioned earlier, use the "Normalized" option in CINET for this measure.)
 - (b) The clustering coefficient distribution. (As before, use the "Clustering Coef. (Cc) Distribution" measure in CINET and the default parameters provided by CINET.)
 - (c) The diameter.
 - (d) The set of bridges.
 - (e) The articulation points.
 - (f) The number of triangles.

Your report for Part II must include the following.

- (1) A figure showing your network. (Hand-drawn figures are acceptable. However, please draw the figure clearly.)
- (2) A NetworkX description of your network.
- (3) The plots or answers for the six items mentioned in Step 4 above.