

36-780: Social Network Modeling

HW01

1. Please go to the Discussion Board of the course Blackboard page, and post a new thread under the “Introduction” forum, introducing yourself:
 - What program are you in at CMU?
 - What research or other graduate/post-grad school work do you envision yourself doing?
 - Why are you taking 36-780?
 - Have you done anything with social network data analysis or modeling before? If so, what?
 - Does your current work (outside this class) involve social network data analysis/modeling?

Please be sure to do this **before Weds Jan 15 at 5pm**. (Feel free to respond to others' posts aso, if you have a useful comment or question to offer.)

2. Please read the paper “A Brief History of Statistical Models for Network Analysis and Open Challenges”, available in the hw01 area of our website, <http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~brian/780>. It will be part of the basis of my lecture and our class discussion this week.
3. Please do the first three labs in the Stanford “Introduction to Social Networks” lab series; there is a somewhat-corrected copy of the labs available on our website, <http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~brian/780>. Make at least two worthwhile posts about the labs **by Thursday Jan 16 at 8am**. For example, you could post a comment, a question, a revelation, a roadblock you are having with the software, a term you didn't understand before (or one you don't understand yet), etc. If you know the answer to someone else's query, post that too.