

Modeling Friendship (2019)

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Everyone values their friends but the notion of friendship is subtle and complex. Here are some questions to help you think through some of the issues involved.

Question 1

Do you think that everyone whom you consider as a friend considers you as a friend?

Question 2

Do you think you have more or fewer friends than your "typical" or "average" friend?

Question 3

Do you think it is reasonable to model the notion of being friends using a dots/lines graph? (The edges of such a graph don't have a direction.)

Question 4

Do you think it is reasonable to model the notion of being an acquaintance using a dots/lines graph? (The edges of such a graph don't have a direction.)