Social Network Analysis - MicroFinance

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Regression on the Centrality measures of village leaders

This report outlines the impact of centrality metrics on the adoption of a **micro-finance** scheme in 75 villages in India.

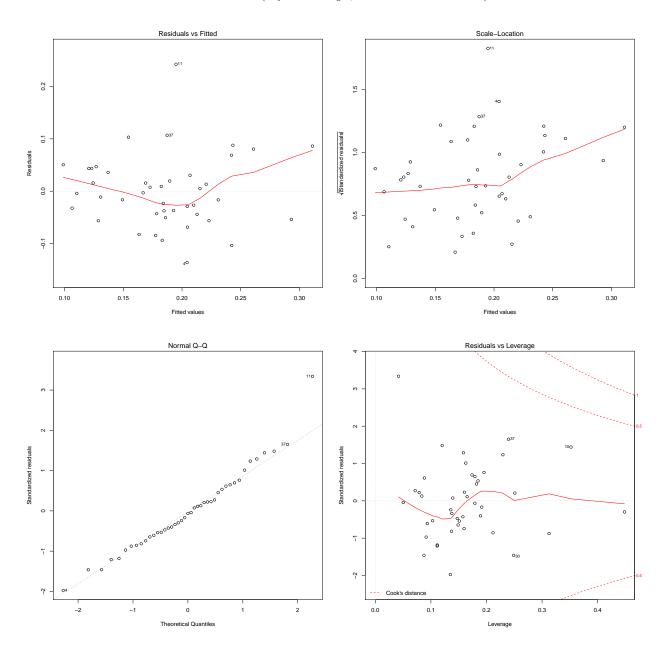
From the summary output below, it can be observed that the model has MultipleR-squared=0.3314. This suggests that the model does not explain most of the variance in the response variable \mathtt{mf} , and it explains only 33% of the variance in the micro finance scheme adoption variable.

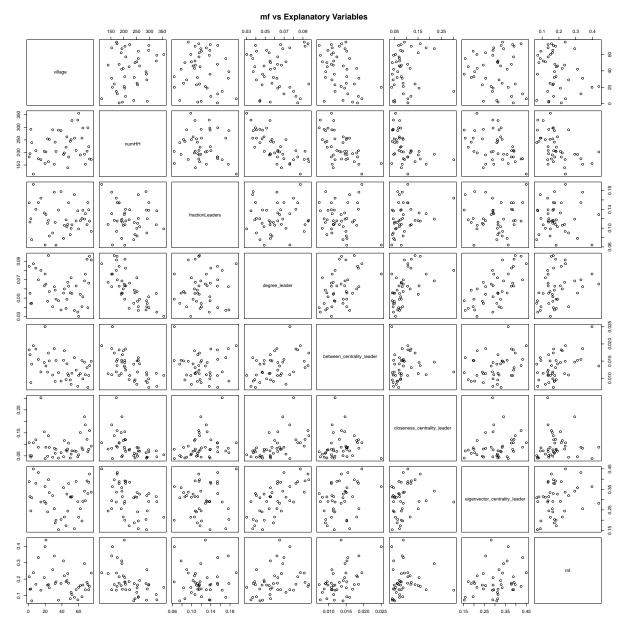
We can observe from the p-values and the QQ-Plot that numHH (number of households) has the only significant impact which is very minute and negative in nature. The variables fractionLeaders (fraction of population that are villagers), degree_leader (degree measure of the leaders) and closeness_centrality_leader (closeness measure of the leaders) all have a negative impact as well, but they are statistically insignificant. The variable between_centrality_leader (betweeness measure of the leaders) has a huge but statistically insignificant positive impact (even though the QQ-plot suggests a correlation) while eigenvector_centrality_leader (eigen vector centrality measure of leaders) has a small positive impact on mf but it is also statistically insignificant.

In summary, based on the qq-plots and p-values from the summary statistics, we conclude that only *number* of households has a statistically significant affect but it is very miniscule. In this model, the role of the leader is not statistically significant.

summary(results)

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##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mf ~ . - village, data = microFinance)
## Residuals:
##
                  1Q
                       Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
## -0.13637 -0.04363 -0.00427
                              0.03964
                                        0.24262
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                   Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                   0.296975
                                              0.158217
                                                         1.877
                                                                  0.0686
                                                        -2.046
## numHH
                                  -0.000716
                                              0.000350
                                                                  0.0481 *
## fractionLeaders
                                  -0.012408
                                              0.395898
                                                        -0.031
                                                                  0.9752
## degree_leader
                                  -0.979266
                                              1.294128
                                                        -0.757
                                                                  0.4542
## between centrality leader
                                   6.210669
                                              3.937754
                                                         1.577
                                                                  0.1235
## closeness_centrality_leader
                                  -0.200685
                                              0.283705
                                                        -0.707
                                                                  0.4839
## eigenvector centrality leader
                                 0.146715
                                              0.208247
                                                         0.705
                                                                  0.4856
## ---
## Signif. codes:
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.07423 on 36 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3314, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2199
## F-statistic: 2.974 on 6 and 36 DF, p-value: 0.01836
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Clearly there is no strong correlation between ${\it mf}$ and the explanatory variables.