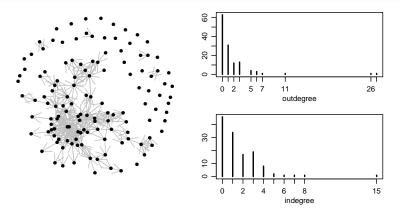
# Testing reciprocity in RCE models 567 Statistical analysis of social networks

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## Conflict in the 90s



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fit.c<-glm( y ~ C(factor(cidx),sum) , family=binomial)</pre>
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For these data, the full RCE model is best among these four.

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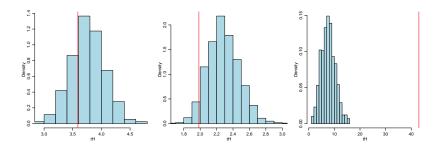
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theta.mle<- mu.hat+ outer(a.hat,b.hat,"+")
p.mle<-exp(theta.mle)/(1+exp(theta.mle))
s.H<-NULL
for(s in 1:S)
{
    Ys<-matrix(rbinom(nrow(Y)^2,1,p.mle),nrow(Y),nrow(Y)) ; diag(Ys)<-NA
    s.H<-rbind(s.H,c(sd(rsum(Ys)),sd(csum(Ys)),sum(Ys*t(Ys)/2,na.rm=TRUE)))
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This is the uniform distribution over graphs  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$  for which  $t(\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}) = t_{obs}$  ( =  $t(\mathbf{Y})$ ).

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 if( abs(Yi[1,1]+Yi[2,2]-Yi[1,2]-Yi[2,1])==2)
  { Y[ i[1:2], i[3:4] ] <- 1-Yi }
  ###
  ###
 i<-sample(1:n,3)
 idx<- rbind( c(i[1],i[2]) , c(i[1],i[3]) , c(i[2],i[3]) ,</pre>
               c(i[2],i[1]) , c(i[3],i[1]) , c(i[3],i[1]) )
 y<-Y[idx]
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## A more efficient sampler

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  vi1i2<-Y[,c(j1,j2) ]</pre>
  if(length(c(j1,j2))==2)
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  ik<-ikt[ resample(1:nrow(ikt),1) ,]</pre>
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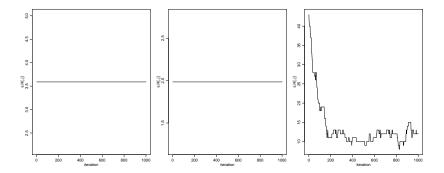
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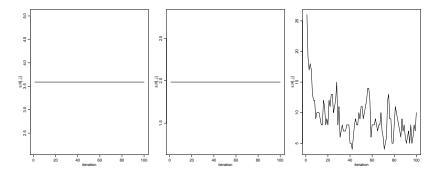
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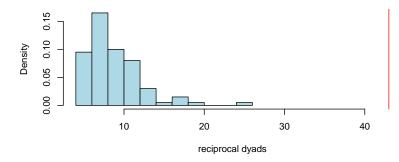
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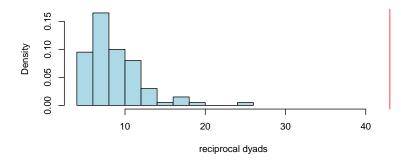
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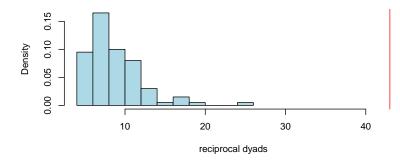




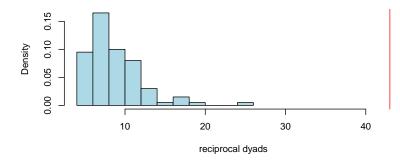
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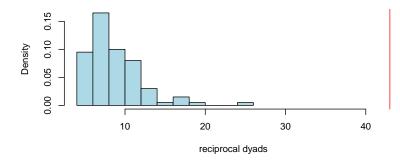
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$$Pr(Y_{j,i} = 1 | Y_{i,j} = 1) = \frac{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 1)}{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1)}$$
$$= \frac{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 1)}{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 1) + Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 0)}$$
$$\approx \frac{M/T}{M/T + A/(2T)} = \frac{2M}{2M + A}$$

Similarly,

$$Pr(Y_{j,i} = 1 | Y_{i,j} = 0) = \frac{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 0)}{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 0)}$$
$$= \frac{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 0)}{Pr(Y_{i,j} = 0, Y_{j,i} = 0) + Pr(Y_{i,j} = 1, Y_{j,i} = 0)}$$
$$\approx \frac{A/(2T)}{A/(2T) + N/T} = \frac{A}{A + 2N}$$

### Reciprocity measure for 90s conflict data

```
M<-sum(Y*t(Y),na.rm=TRUE)/2</pre>
A<-sum(Y,na.rm=TRUE) - 2*M
N \leftarrow choose(nrow(Y), 2) - M - A
М
## [1] 43
А
## [1] 117
Ν
## [1] 8225
p11<-2*M/(2*M+A)
p10<-A/(A+2*N)
p11
## [1] 0.4236453
p10
## [1] 0.007062232
log( p11 * (1-p10) /( (1-p11) * p10) )
## [1] 4.63808
```

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### Reciprocity measure in 90s conflict data

```
y<-c(Y) ; x<-c(t(Y))</pre>
mean(y[x==1],na.rm=TRUE)
## [1] 0.4236453
mean(v[x==0],na,rm=TRUE)
## [1] 0.007062232
fit<-glm(y~x,family=binomial)</pre>
fit
##
## Call: glm(formula = y ~ x, family = binomial)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
                          X
        -4.946 4.638
##
##
## Degrees of Freedom: 16769 Total (i.e. Null); 16768 Residual
## (130 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Null Deviance:
                      2196
## Residual Deviance: 1669 AIC: 1673
table(fit$fitted)
##
## 0.00706223230891567
                         0.423645320196599
                                        203
##
                 16567
```

## Reciprocity via logistic regression

**Exercise:** Show that the log-odds ratio is the logistic regression coefficient.

**Note:** This use of glm is not really fitting a model - the outcome is on both sides of the regression equation.