Models for count data

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Load data

```
rm(list=ls())
library(VIM) # Useful to analyze missing data
## Loading required package: colorspace
## Loading required package: grid
## VIM is ready to use.
## Suggestions and bug-reports can be submitted at: https://github.com/statistikat/VIM/issues
## Attaching package: 'VIM'
## The following object is masked from 'package:datasets':
##
       sleep
library(mice) # Useful to analyze missing data
##
## Attaching package: 'mice'
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       cbind, rbind
library(foreign) # Package that allows you to read .dta data
library(psych)
library(MatchIt)
library(bestNormalize)
library(corrplot)
## corrplot 0.92 loaded
library(GGally)
## Loading required package: ggplot2
## Attaching package: 'ggplot2'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:psych':
##
##
       %+%, alpha
## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'GGally':
##
     method from
     +.gg
            ggplot2
library(MASS)
##
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
## The following object is masked from 'package:bestNormalize':
##
##
       boxcox
library(AER)
## Loading required package: car
## Loading required package: carData
## Attaching package: 'car'
## The following object is masked from 'package:psych':
##
##
       logit
## Loading required package: lmtest
## Loading required package: zoo
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       as.Date, as.Date.numeric
## Loading required package: sandwich
## Loading required package: survival
library(pscl)
## Classes and Methods for R developed in the
## Political Science Computational Laboratory
## Department of Political Science
## Stanford University
## Simon Jackman
## hurdle and zeroinfl functions by Achim Zeileis
```

Have a preliminary overview of data

look at the columns

```
data("DoctorVisits")
doc <- DoctorVisits</pre>
```

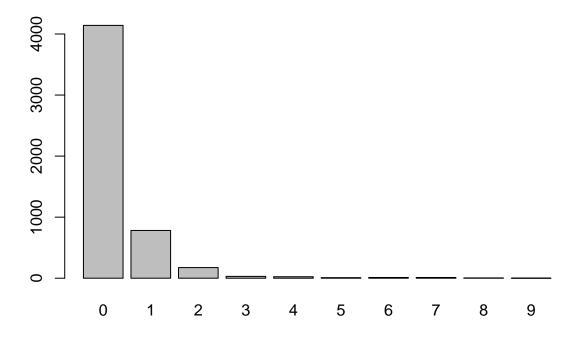
Data come from an Australian health survey, where visits is the number of doctor visits in past two weeks.

Overview

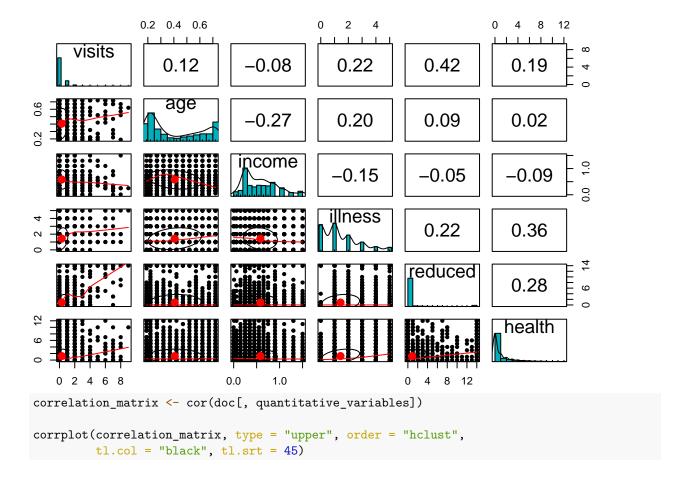
```
summary(doc)
                         gender
##
        visits
                                         age
                                                          income
##
    Min.
           :0.0000
                     male :2488
                                    Min.
                                           :0.1900
                                                      Min.
                                                             :0.0000
    1st Qu.:0.0000
                      female:2702
                                    1st Qu.:0.2200
                                                      1st Qu.:0.2500
   Median :0.0000
                                    Median :0.3200
                                                      Median :0.5500
##
##
   Mean
           :0.3017
                                    Mean
                                           :0.4064
                                                      Mean
                                                             :0.5832
##
    3rd Qu.:0.0000
                                    3rd Qu.:0.6200
                                                      3rd Qu.:0.9000
##
   Max.
           :9.0000
                                    Max.
                                            :0.7200
                                                      Max.
                                                             :1.5000
##
       illness
                        reduced
                                           health
                                                         private
                                                                     freepoor
##
   Min.
           :0.000
                            : 0.0000
                                       Min.
                                              : 0.000
                                                         no:2892
                                                                    no:4968
                   Min.
##
   1st Qu.:0.000
                    1st Qu.: 0.0000
                                       1st Qu.: 0.000
                                                         yes:2298
                                                                    yes: 222
  Median :1.000
                    Median : 0.0000
                                       Median : 0.000
##
##
    Mean
           :1.432
                    Mean
                           : 0.8619
                                       Mean
                                              : 1.218
##
    3rd Qu.:2.000
                    3rd Qu.: 0.0000
                                       3rd Qu.: 2.000
           :5.000
                    Max.
                            :14.0000
                                              :12.000
   Max.
                                       Max.
##
   freerepat nchronic
                           lchronic
    no:4099
               no :3098
                           no:4585
##
    yes:1091
##
               yes:2092
                           yes: 605
##
##
##
##
head(doc)
     visits gender age income illness reduced health private freepoor freerepat
                           0.55
## 1
          1 female 0.19
                                               4
                                      1
                                                      1
                                                            yes
                                                                       no
                                                                                 no
## 2
          1 female 0.19
                           0.45
                                      1
                                               2
                                                      1
                                                            yes
                                                                                 no
                                                                       no
## 3
              male 0.19
                           0.90
                                      3
                                              0
                                                      0
          1
                                                             no
                                                                       no
                                                                                 no
              male 0.19
                           0.15
                                      1
                                               0
          1
                                                      0
                                                             nο
                                                                       nο
                                                                                 no
## 5
              male 0.19
                           0.45
                                      2
                                              5
          1
                                                      1
                                                             no
                                                                       no
                                                                                 no
          1 female 0.19
                           0.35
                                      5
                                                             no
                                                                                 no
                                                                       no
     nchronic lchronic
##
## 1
           no
                    no
## 2
           no
                    no
## 3
           no
                    no
## 4
          no
                    no
## 5
          yes
                    no
## 6
          yes
                    no
```

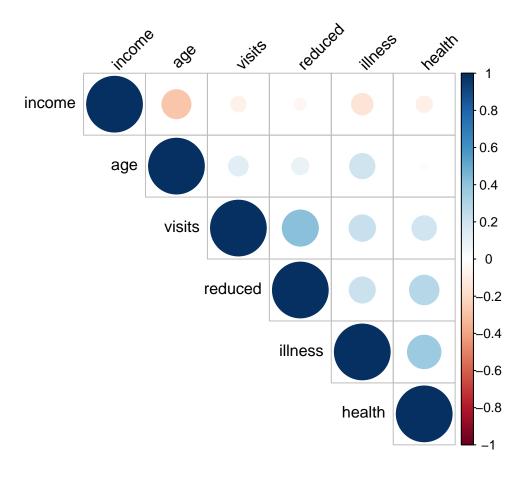
Preliminary inspection of the outcome variable

```
counts <- table(doc$visits)
barplot(counts)</pre>
```



Correlation in the data





Fit your models

Simple case

Naive linear model

```
simple_naive_lm <- lm(visits ~ age,</pre>
              data = doc)
summary(simple_naive_lm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = visits ~ age, data = doc)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
##
                                        Max
## -0.4540 -0.3569 -0.2113 -0.1967 8.5946
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                           0.02443
## (Intercept) 0.10448
                                     4.277 1.93e-05 ***
                0.48538
                           0.05369
                                     9.040 < 2e-16 ***
## age
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Poisson model

```
simple_poisson <- glm(visits ~ age, family="poisson",</pre>
             data = doc)
summary(simple_poisson)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = visits ~ age, family = "poisson", data = doc)
## Deviance Residuals:
                1Q
      Min
                     Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -0.9650 -0.8266 -0.6552 -0.6402
                                        6.5608
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
##
## (Intercept) -1.87944
                          0.06248 -30.08
                                             <2e-16 ***
                           0.12060
                                     12.84
                                             <2e-16 ***
               1.54878
## age
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
##
      Null deviance: 5634.8 on 5189 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 5470.0 on 5188 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 7805.6
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
simple_poisson_predicted <- predict.glm(simple_poisson, type="response")</pre>
```

Multivariate model

Poisson model

glm(formula = visits ~ age + income + illness + reduced + health +

```
##
       private + freepoor + freerepat + nchronic + lchronic, family = "poisson",
##
       data = doc)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                 1Q
                     Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -2.8966 -0.6837 -0.5783 -0.4935
                                        5.8087
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                           0.097016 -20.820 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) -2.019864
## age
                0.307919
                            0.165699
                                       1.858 0.06313 .
## income
                -0.236007
                            0.083480 -2.827 0.00470 **
## illness
                0.186534
                           0.018300 10.193 < 2e-16 ***
                           0.005032 25.145
## reduced
                 0.126523
                                             < 2e-16 ***
## health
                0.031450
                           0.010097
                                      3.115 0.00184 **
## privateyes
                0.153021
                            0.070856
                                       2.160
                                              0.03080 *
## freepooryes -0.454270
                           0.179667
                                     -2.528 0.01146 *
## freerepatyes 0.111385
                            0.091495
                                       1.217 0.22345
                                       1.968 0.04905 *
                            0.066399
## nchronicyes
                 0.130685
## lchronicyes
                 0.151017
                            0.082302
                                       1.835 0.06652 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
##
       Null deviance: 5634.8 on 5189
                                       degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 4388.0 on 5179
                                       degrees of freedom
## AIC: 6741.5
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
Have a look at the statistics of your model
glance(full_poisson)
## # A tibble: 1 x 8
    null.deviance df.null logLik
                                    AIC
                                          BIC deviance df.residual nobs
##
             <dbl>
                     <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                             <int> <int>
## 1
                      5189 -3360. 6742. 6814.
            5635.
                                                 4388.
                                                              5179 5190
Run an overdispersion test
dispersiontest(full_poisson, trafo = 1)
##
## Overdispersion test
##
## data: full_poisson
## z = 6.417, p-value = 6.949e-11
## alternative hypothesis: true alpha is greater than 0
## sample estimates:
##
       alpha
## 0.4206546
dispersiontest(full_poisson, trafo = 2)
```

##

```
## Overdispersion test
##
## data: full_poisson
## z = 7.2137, p-value = 2.723e-13
## alternative hypothesis: true alpha is greater than 0
## sample estimates:
## alpha
## 0.9533897
```

Quasi-poisson

```
full_quasipoisson <- glm(visits ~ age + income + illness +</pre>
                  reduced + health + private + freepoor
                                                                         + freerepat + nchronic + lchr
               data = doc)
summary(full_quasipoisson)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = visits ~ age + income + illness + reduced + health +
      private + freepoor + freerepat + nchronic + lchronic, family = "quasipoisson",
##
      data = doc)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
      Min
                1Q
                     Median
                                  3Q
                                          Max
## -2.8966 -0.6837 -0.5783 -0.4935
                                       5.8087
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -2.019864
                           0.112096 -18.019 < 2e-16 ***
## age
                0.307919
                           0.191454
                                      1.608 0.10783
## income
                           0.096456 -2.447 0.01445 *
               -0.236007
## illness
                0.186534
                           0.021145
                                      8.822 < 2e-16 ***
## reduced
                           0.005814 21.762 < 2e-16 ***
                0.126523
## health
                0.031450
                          0.011667
                                     2.696 0.00705 **
## privateyes
                0.153021
                           0.081869
                                     1.869 0.06167 .
## freepooryes -0.454270
                           0.207593 -2.188 0.02869 *
## freerepatyes 0.111385
                           0.105716
                                      1.054 0.29210
                           0.076720
## nchronicyes
                0.130685
                                      1.703 0.08855 .
## lchronicyes
                0.151017
                           0.095094
                                      1.588 0.11233
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 1.335023)
##
      Null deviance: 5634.8 on 5189 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 4388.0 on 5179 degrees of freedom
## AIC: NA
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

Negative-binomial

```
full_nb <- glm.nb(visits ~ age + income + illness +</pre>
                  reduced + health + private + freepoor
                                                                         + freerepat + nchronic + lchr
               data = doc)
summary(full nb)
##
## Call:
## glm.nb(formula = visits ~ age + income + illness + reduced +
      health + private + freepoor + freerepat + nchronic + lchronic,
##
      data = doc, init.theta = 0.9263625049, link = log)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
      Min
                10
                     Median
                                  30
                                          Max
## -1.9404 -0.6340 -0.5317 -0.4526
                                       4.1533
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -2.169191
                           0.117309 -18.491 < 2e-16 ***
## age
                                      1.773 0.07624 .
                0.367328
                           0.207190
## income
               -0.222546
                           0.101391
                                    -2.195 0.02817 *
## illness
                0.216354
                           0.023525
                                      9.197 < 2e-16 ***
## reduced
                0.143227
                           0.007311 19.591 < 2e-16 ***
## health
                0.037868 0.013632
                                     2.778 0.00547 **
## privateyes
                0.159512
                           0.084577
                                      1.886 0.05930 .
## freepooryes -0.508935
                           0.210260 -2.420 0.01550 *
## freerepatyes 0.187085
                           0.115156
                                      1.625 0.10424
## nchronicyes
                0.112568
                           0.078963
                                      1.426 0.15399
## lchronicyes
                0.188378
                           0.103101
                                      1.827 0.06768 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for Negative Binomial(0.9264) family taken to be 1)
##
##
      Null deviance: 3926.5 on 5189 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 3036.5 on 5179 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 6431.4
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 1
##
##
##
                 Theta: 0.9264
            Std. Err.: 0.0866
##
##
   2 x log-likelihood: -6407.4470
```

Zero inflated poisson

illnes

+ free

```
dist="poisson", data = doc)
summary(full_zeroinfl_poisson )
##
## Call:
## zeroinfl(formula = visits ~ age + income + illness + reduced + health +
##
      private + freepoor + freerepat + nchronic + lchronic, data = doc,
      dist = "poisson")
##
##
## Pearson residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               30
                                     Max
## -1.6001 -0.4481 -0.2960 -0.1981 11.0898
##
## Count model coefficients (poisson with log link):
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -0.574052
                          0.136098 -4.218 2.47e-05 ***
## age
                0.029502
                           0.217464
                                    0.136
                                             0.8921
## income
                          0.107371 -1.809
                                             0.0704 .
               -0.194272
## illness
                0.041089
                         0.024596
                                    1.671
                                            0.0948 .
                          0.005980 13.790 < 2e-16 ***
## reduced
                0.082462
## health
                0.023094
                          0.011268
                                    2.049
                                             0.0404 *
## privateyes
               -0.031874
                          0.095971 -0.332
                                             0.7398
## freepooryes -0.397713 0.243856 -1.631
                                            0.1029
## freerepatyes -0.221033
                          0.117441 -1.882
                                             0.0598 .
## nchronicyes -0.004719
                           0.092223 -0.051
                                             0.9592
## lchronicyes
                0.005587
                           0.101978
                                     0.055
                                             0.9563
##
## Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
##
               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) 2.33996
                           0.27286
                                   8.576 < 2e-16 ***
## age
               -1.34358
                           0.50724 -2.649 0.00808 **
                           0.23002 0.514 0.60719
## income
               0.11825
## illness
               -0.45239
                           0.08351 -5.417 6.06e-08 ***
## reduced
               -1.26427
                           0.23692 -5.336 9.49e-08 ***
## health
               -0.07919
                           0.03839 -2.063 0.03914 *
               -0.53198
                           0.19383 -2.745 0.00606 **
## privateyes
                                   0.560 0.57581
## freepooryes 0.28968
                           0.51774
## freerepatyes -1.31609
                           0.31447 -4.185 2.85e-05 ***
                           0.19637 -0.589 0.55579
## nchronicyes -0.11568
                           0.30287 -1.432 0.15220
## lchronicyes -0.43365
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 46
## Log-likelihood: -3186 on 22 Df
logLik(full_poisson)
## 'log Lik.' -3359.774 (df=11)
logLik(full_zeroinfl_poisson)
## 'log Lik.' -3185.671 (df=22)
```

logLik(full_quasipoisson)

'log Lik.' NA (df=11)
logLik(full_nb)

'log Lik.' -3203.723 (df=12)