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# Q4 You have received data on patients with cardiac monitoring devices that detect atrial fibrillation events. I

n reporting the counts of atrial fibrillation events within one month, for some patients (Group A) the number of events is available while for the rest (Group B) you only have a binary indicator of whether the count was non-zero.

There is no information in the data set that will let you know whether the value presented is a count or a binary indicator (i.e., data from groups A and B are mixed together).

The data is available in ATFIB.txt and contains the following columns: - id: unique patient identifier - outcome: observed outcome (i.e., the direct actual count of atrial fibrillation events or the binary indicator of a non-zero count)

## (a) Given what you know about the data collection, you realize that you could consider the data to arise from a Poisson random variable with mean for which you observe either directly (Group A), or the (Group B).

Which group each individual belongs to can be considered missing data.

Define a latent variable , independent of , as a binary indicator of whether is observed directly (i.e., indicates an observation is from Group A and indicates an observation is from Group B).

The observed outcome can then be defined in terms of , and .

Write out the likelihood for:

### i. The observed data (X).

Hint: Consider the cases

(i) X = 0: there is no event

(ii) X = 1: there is or events

(iii) X = k, k > 1: there are k events

The mixture of degenerate distribution at zero with probability and Poisson distribution with probability ; the Poisson mixed with two-point masses at 0 with and at with ; .

### ii. The complete data .

Hint: Consider the cases for when

(i) Z = 1,Y = k,

(ii) Z = 0, Y = 0,

(iii) Z = 0, Y = k, k>0

When , we do not have the information of exact , but a Bernoulli distribution conditional on the probability of .

## (b) Numerically optimize the observed data log-likelihood using “optim” in R, to obtain the estimates, standard errors, and 95% confidence intervals for and .

Provide non-technical interpretations for these parameters. Comment on how you think these results would differ if you had data on , and the reason for those differences.

expected mean as 1.755, standard deviation as 0.107, and the 95% CI as (1.546, 1.964).

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expected mean as 0.844, standard deviation as 0.064, and the 95% Cl as (0.718, 0.970)

has a comparatively higher possibility at 0.844 and if we randomly simulate a confidence interval (0.718, 0.970) will have 95% chance to cover the true value. In a less formal way to interpret the results, we are 95% confident that the population parameter is between (0.718, 0.970) The later interpretation will mislead the reader to regard the true parameter value as random and regard the interval as fixed.

When , we do not have the information of exact , but a Bernoulli conditional on the probability of . The more Z = 0 the less informative the data could be applied. Because we cannot observe Z, then we have to estimate what is the p for the distribution of Z. Therefore, if the probability is optimized as 1, then there is no Z =0. If we know the true value of Z other than estimation, we will have more accurate and less biased estimation for both and .

#' Title Loglikelihood for inflated mixture model with imcomplete dataset  
#' @param lambda `numeric` a positive value as Poisson distribution parameter  
#' @param p `numeric` a positive value in [0, 1] as Bernoulli distribution parameter  
#' @param datay `data.frame` the observed dataset   
#' @return `neg\_logL` the negative log-likelihood  
#' @export  
get\_logL\_inc <- function(parameter,  
 datay) {  
 ## need to argue why lambda   
 ## and p are separated   
 p <- parameter[1] %>% as.numeric()  
 lambda <- parameter[2] %>% as.numeric()  
   
 ## subset the dataset by Y  
 y0 <- datay %>% filter(outcome == 0)  
 n0 <- nrow(y0)  
 y1 <- datay %>% filter(outcome == 1)  
 n1 <- nrow(y1)  
 yk <- datay %>% filter(outcome > 1)  
   
 ## loglikelihood for Y==0  
 logL0 <- - lambda \* n0   
 ## loglikelihood for Y==1  
 logL1 <- (log((1 - exp(-lambda) \* (1 - p) + p \* lambda \* exp(-lambda)))) \* n1  
 ## for loop to calculate Y==k  
 logLk <- 0  
 for (yi in yk$outcome) {  
 logLk <- logLk + log(p) + yi \* log(lambda) - lambda - log(gamma(yi + 1))  
 }  
 (neg\_logL <- -(logL0 + logL1 + logLk))  
 return(neg\_logL)  
}

## Using optim to get the estimation of p and lambda  
p\_hat <- optim(par = c(0.1, 2),  
 fn = get\_logL\_inc,  
 lower = c(0, 1),  
 upper = c(1, Inf),  
 datay = data\_4,  
 hessian = T)

## Warning in optim(par = c(0.1, 2), fn = get\_logL\_inc, lower = c(0, 1), upper =  
## c(1, : bounds can only be used with method L-BFGS-B (or Brent)

par\_mean <- p\_hat$par  
par\_sd <- solve(p\_hat$hessian) %>% diag() %>% sqrt()  
par\_mean + 1.96 \* par\_sd

## [1] 1.181429 2.076756

par\_mean - 1.96 \* par\_sd

## [1] 0.8185713 1.6592201

## 

## (c) You begin to suspect that maybe the data was actually collected consistently, and only represents counts that arise from a distribution.

Perform an appropriate statistical test to formally test this assumption for your data. State the null and alternative hypotheses for your test, and the asymptotic distribution of the test statistic under the null. Present your conclusions based on this test.

The Poisson model can be regarded as a special nested case of the mixed model in (a); hence we can use likelihood ratio test to test the hypothesis.

Null Hypothesis: the inflated mixture model is the same as the Poisson model

Alternative Hypothesis: the inflated mixture model is not the same as the Poisson model

With likelihood ratio statistics, we performed Chi square test and get p-value = 0.064 > 0.05 marginally larger than the critical value. Hence, we claim the inflated mixture model is not statistically significantly different from Poisson model. However due to the small sample size and marginally acceptance of the null hypothesis, I will guess further investigation with higher power.

#' Title Negative likelihood for Poisson regression  
#' @param lambda `numeric` a positive value as Poisson distribution parameter  
#' @param datay `data.frame` the observed dataset   
#' @return `-logLk` the negative log-likelihood  
#' @export  
get\_logL\_pois <- function(lambda,  
 datay) {  
 logLk <- 0  
 for (yi in data\_4$outcome) {  
 logLk <- logLk + yi \* log(lambda) - lambda - log(gamma(yi + 1))  
 }  
 return(-logLk)  
}  
  
lambda\_pois <- optim(par = 1,   
 fn = get\_logL\_pois,  
 method = "Brent",  
 lower = 0,  
 upper = 6,  
 datay = data\_4)  
lambda\_pois$par

## [1] 1.612

logL\_mix <- get\_logL\_inc(c(1.000, 1.868),  
 datay = data\_4)  
  
logL\_poisson <- get\_logL\_pois(lambda = 1.612,  
 datay = data\_4)  
  
# logL\_mix; logL\_poisson  
2 \* abs(logL\_mix - logL\_poisson) %>%   
 pchisq(df = 1, lower.tail = FALSE)

## [1] 0.06391618

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## (d) Design and conduct a simulation study that evaluates the efficiency of estimation using the incomplete data versus the complete data (i.e., the incomplete data augmented with a column for ).

Specifically, report bias and efficiency for estimating . Fix . Vary sample size and to generate data from 6 settings. Simulate a reasonable number of replicates.

### i. Submit commented code that describes (i) data generation process, (ii) estimation, and (iii) computation of metrics.

The data generating function is `get\_sim()`;

The incomplete likelihood without information of Z is the function `get\_log\_L\_incomplete()`;

The complete likelihood with information of both Y and Z is the function `get\_log\_L\_complete()`;

Function `get\_optim()` is to use `optim` function to get the estimation of parameter ().

### ii. Summarize your results in a short report (2-3 paragraphs) and 1-2 figures or summary tables. Give hypotheses, conclusions, and recommendations based on what you have found.

In this study, we are trying to find whether we can get accurate estimation of parameters in both complete and incomplete data. The null hypothesis will be that both methods can provide reasonable and accurate estimation on parameters. As we see in the table below, indeed, both methods provide reasonable estimation with small bias and standard deviations. Comparatively the complete data with both Z and Y observed can provide less biased and smaller standard-deviation estimation on the parameters. This is more obvious in the cases of smaller p value, which indicates there is higher change of missing true Y observations.

In this study, we generated dataset with fixed . Vary sample size and to generate data from 6 settings. In both complete and incomplete cases, the larger the sample size, the smaller of both biases and standard error of the parameters. When it comes to Z = 0, we are missing the information of observing true Y values. With larger value of p, the higher of the chance of Z =1, which means to observe the real value of Y. Hence, we can get more information from the data. This directly results less biased and less deviated estimation of p. However, the effect of larger p value does not affect the estimation of lambda.

In conclusion, ideally, we prefer the hypothesis test on a large sample size with more Z = 1 observations. The complete dataset can provide more information than the incomplete dataset, with less biased and less variated estimations.



lambda <- 1; p <- 0.8; N <- 100  
#' Title Simulate data for mixture model  
#' @param lambda `numeric` parameter for Poisson as Y|Z==1 distribution  
#' @param p `numeric` parameter for Bernoulli as Z's distribution  
#' @param N `integer` for sample size  
#' @param seed `integer` set seed  
#' @return `data\_sim` a simulated dataset  
#' @export  
get\_sim <- function(lambda = 1,  
 p = 0.5,  
 N = 100,  
 seed) {  
 set.seed(seed)  
 ## number of Z == 1  
 Z1 <- rbinom(1, N, p)  
 ## number of Z == 0  
 Z0 <- N - Z1  
 ## Vector = Z  
 Z <- c(rep(1, Z1), rep(0, Z0))  
 ## Y|Z==1 Poisson(\lambda)  
 Y <- c(rpois(Z1, lambda),   
 ## Y|Z==0 Bernoulli(1 - \exp(-\lambda))  
 unlist(map(rep(1, Z0),   
 ~rbinom(1, ., (1 - exp(-lambda))))))  
 data\_sim <- data.frame(Z = Z, Y = Y)  
 return(data\_sim)  
}  
sim\_num <- 1000  
sim\_N100\_p02 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 100, p = 0.2))  
sim\_N100\_p05 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 100, p = 0.5))  
sim\_N100\_p08 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 100, p = 0.8))  
sim\_N1k\_p02 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 1000, p = 0.2))  
sim\_N1k\_p05 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 1000, p = 0.5))  
sim\_N1k\_p08 <- map(1:sim\_num, ~get\_sim(seed = ., N = 1000, p = 0.8))

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#' @return `neg\_logL` the negative log-likelihood  
#' @export  
get\_logL\_incomplete <- function(parameter,  
 datayz) {  
 ## need to argue why lambda   
 ## and p are seperated   
 p <- parameter[1] %>% as.numeric()  
 lambda <- parameter[2] %>% as.numeric()  
   
 ## subset the dataset by Y  
 y0 <- datayz %>% filter(Y == 0)  
 n0 <- nrow(y0)  
 y1 <- datayz %>% filter(Y == 1)  
 n1 <- nrow(y1)  
 yk <- datayz %>% filter(Y > 1)  
   
 ## loglikelihood for Y==0  
 logL0 <- -lambda \* n0   
 ## loglikelihood for Y==1  
 logL1 <- (log((1 - exp(-lambda) \* (1 - p) + p \* lambda \* exp(-lambda)))) \* n1  
 ## for loop to calculate Y==k  
 logLk <- 0  
 for (yi in yk$Y) {  
 logLk <- logLk + log(p) + yi \* log(lambda) - lambda - log(gamma(yi + 1))  
 }  
 (neg\_logL <- -(logL0 + logL1 + logLk))  
 return(neg\_logL)  
}

get\_logL\_complete <- function(parameter,  
 datayz) {  
 ## need to argue why lambda   
 ## and p are seperated   
 p <- parameter[1] %>% as.numeric()  
 lambda <- parameter[2] %>% as.numeric()  
   
 p1 <- exp(-lambda) \* (1 - p)  
 p2 <- (1 - exp(-lambda)) \* (1 - p)  
   
 ## subset the dataset by Y  
 z1 <- datayz %>% filter(Z == 1)  
 z0y1 <- datayz %>% filter(Y == 1, Z == 0)  
 ny1 <- nrow(z0y1)  
 z0y0 <- datayz %>% filter(Y == 0, Z == 0)  
 ny0 <- nrow(z0y0)  
   
 ## loglikelihood for Y==0 Z==0  
 logLy0 <- ny0 \* log(p1)  
 ## loglikelihood for Y==1 Z==0  
 logLy1 <- ny1 \* log(p2)  
 ## for loop to calculate Y==k  
 logLk <- 0  
 for (yi in z1$Y) {  
 logLk <- logLk + log(p) + yi \* log(lambda) - lambda - log(gamma(yi + 1))  
 }  
 (neg\_logL <- -(logLy0 + logLy1 + logLk))  
 return(neg\_logL)  
}

library(matrixStats)

get\_optim <- function(datayz) {  
 par\_cpl <- optim(par = c(0.1, 1),   
 fn = get\_logL\_complete,  
 lower = c(0, 0.5),  
 upper = c(1, Inf),  
 datayz = datayz)  
 par\_icp <- optim(par = c(0.1, 1),   
 fn = get\_logL\_incomplete,  
 lower = c(0, 0.5),  
 upper = c(1, Inf),  
 datayz = datayz)  
 result <- c(unlist(par\_icp$par),   
 unlist(par\_cpl$par))   
 return(result)  
}  
  
result\_N100\_p02 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N100\_p02, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)  
result\_N100\_p05 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N100\_p05, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)  
result\_N100\_p08 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N100\_p08, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)  
result\_N1k\_p02 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N1k\_p02, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)  
result\_N1k\_p05 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N1k\_p05, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)  
result\_N1k\_p08 <- map\_dfc(sim\_N1k\_p08, ~try(get\_optim(.))) %>% select\_if(is.numeric)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p02)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p05)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p08)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p02)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p05)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p08)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p02) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p05) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

rowMeans(result\_N100\_p08) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p02) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p05) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

rowMeans(result\_N1k\_p08) - c(0.2, 1, 0.2, 1)

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N100\_p02))

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N100\_p05))

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N100\_p08))

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N1k\_p02))

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N1k\_p05))

matrixStats::rowSds(as.matrix(result\_N1k\_p08))