

# Zero-inflated models: Poisson and Binomial

## Parametrisation

There is support two types of zero-inflated models, which we name type 0 and type 1. These are defined for both the Binomial, the Poisson and the negative Binomial likelihood. For simplicity we will describe only the Poisson as the other two cases are similar.

### Type 0

The (type 0) likelihood is defined as

$$\text{Prob}(y \mid \dots) = p \times 1_{[y=0]} + (1 - p) \times \text{Poisson}(y \mid y > 0)$$

where  $p$  is a hyperparameter where

$$p = \frac{\exp(\theta)}{1 + \exp(\theta)}$$

and  $\theta$  is the internal representation of  $p$ ; meaning that the initial value and prior is given for  $\theta$ . This is model is called `zeroinflatedpoisson0` (and `zeroinflatedbinomial0`).

### Type 1

The (type 1) likelihood is defined as

$$\text{Prob}(y \mid \dots) = p \times 1_{[y=0]} + (1 - p) \times \text{Poisson}(y)$$

where  $p$  is a hyperparameter where

$$p = \frac{\exp(\theta)}{1 + \exp(\theta)}$$

and  $\theta$  is the internal representation of  $p$ ; meaning that the initial value and prior is given for  $\theta$ . This is model is called `zeroinflatedpoisson1` (and `zeroinflatedbinomial1`).

## Link-function

As for the Poisson, the Binomial and the negative Binomial.

## Hyperparameters

For Poisson and the Binomial, there is one hyperparameter; where

$$p = \frac{\exp(\theta)}{1 + \exp(\theta)}$$

and the prior and initial value is is given for  $\theta$ .

For the negative Binomial, there are two hyperparameters. The overdispersion parameter  $n$  is represented as

$$\theta_1 = \log(n)$$

and the prior is defined on  $\theta_1$ . The zero-inflation parameter  $p$ , is represented as

$$p = \frac{\exp(\theta_2)}{1 + \exp(\theta_2)}$$

and the prior and initial value is is given for  $\theta_2$ .

## Specification

- family = zeroinflatedbinomial0
- family = zeroinflatedbinomial1
- family = zeroinflatednbinomial0
- family = zeroinflatednbinomial1
- family = zeroinflatedpoisson0
- family = zeroinflatedpoisson1
- Required arguments: As for the Binomial, the negative Binomial and Poisson likelihood.

## Hyperparameter specification and default values

### Zeroinflated Binomial Type 0

#### hyper

##### theta

**name** probability  
**short.name** p  
**initial** 0  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 0 1

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

### Zeroinflated Binomial Type 1

#### hyper

##### theta

**name** probability  
**short.name** p  
**initial** 0  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 0 1

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

## **Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 0**

**hyper**

**theta1**

**name** size  
**short.name** size  
**initial** 2.30258509299405  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** loggamma  
**param** 1 0.01

**theta2**

**name** probability  
**short.name** p  
**initial** -1  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 0 1

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

## **Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 1**

**hyper**

**theta1**

**name** size  
**short.name** size  
**initial** 2.30258509299405  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** loggamma  
**param** 1 0.01

**theta2**

**name** probability  
**short.name** p  
**initial** -1  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 0 1

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

## Zeroinflated Poisson Type 0

hyper

theta

name probability  
short.name p  
initial 0  
fixed FALSE  
prior gaussian  
param 0 1

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

## Zeroinflated Poisson Type 1

hyper

theta

name probability  
short.name p  
initial 0  
fixed FALSE  
prior gaussian  
param 0 1

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

## Example

In the following example we estimate the parameters in a simulated example for both type 0 and type 1.

### Poisson

```
## type 0
n=100
a = 1
b = 1
z = rnorm(n)
eta = a + b*z
p = 0.2
E = sample(c(1,5,10,15), size=n, replace=TRUE)
lambda = E*exp(eta)

## first sample y|y>0
y = rpois(n, lambda = lambda)
is.zero = (y == 0)
```

```

while(sum(is.zero) > 0)
{
  y[is.zero] = rpois(sum(is.zero), lambda[is.zero])
  is.zero = (y == 0)
}
## then set some of these to zero
y[ rbinom(n, size=1, prob=p) == 1 ] = 0

data = list(y=y,z=z)
formula = y ~ 1+z
result0 = inla(formula, family = "zeroinflatedpoisson0", data = data, E=E)
summary(result0)

## type 1
y = rpois(n, lambda = lambda)
y[ rbinom(n, size=1, prob=p) == 1 ] = 0
data = list(y=y,z=z)
formula = y ~ 1+z
result1 = inla(formula, family = "zeroinflatedpoisson1", data = data, E=E)
summary(result1)

```

## Binomial

```

## type 0
n=100
a = 1
b = 1
z = rnorm(n)
eta = a + b*z
p = 0.2
Ntrials = sample(c(1,5,10,15), size=n, replace=TRUE)
prob = exp(eta)/(1 + exp(eta))

y = rbinom(n, size = Ntrials, prob = prob)
is.zero = (y == 0)
while(sum(is.zero) > 0)
{
  y[is.zero] = rbinom(sum(is.zero), size = Ntrials[is.zero], prob = prob[is.zero])
  is.zero = (y == 0)
}
y[ rbinom(n, size=1, prob=p) == 1 ] = 0
data = list(y=y,z=z)
formula = y ~ 1+z
result0 = inla(formula, family = "zeroinflatedbinomial0", data = data, Ntrials = Ntrials)
summary(result0)

## type 1
y = rbinom(n, size = Ntrials, prob = prob)
y[ rbinom(n, size=1, prob=p) == 1 ] = 0
data = list(y=y,z=z)
formula = y ~ 1+z

```

```
result1 = inla(formula, family = "zeroinflatedbinomial1", data = data, Ntrials=Ntrials)
summary(result1)
```

## Notes

None.

## Extentions

There are some extentions available which currently is only implemented for the cases where its needed/requested.

**Type 2** Is like Type 1 but where (for the Poisson)

$$p = 1 - \left( \frac{E \exp(x)}{1 + E \exp(x)} \right)^\alpha$$

where  $\alpha > 0$  is the hyperparameter instead of  $p$  (and  $E \exp(x)$  is the mean). Available as `zeroinflatedpoisson2` and for negative binomial as `zeroinflatednbinomial2`.

The internal representation is  $\theta = \log(\alpha)$  and prior is defined on  $\log(\alpha)$ .

## Zeroinflated Poisson Type 2

hyper

theta

```
name    probability
short.name  p
initial  0
fixed   FALSE
prior   gaussian
param   0 1
```

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

## Zeroinflated Negative Binomial Type 2

hyper

theta1

```
name    size
short.name  size
initial  2.30258509299405
fixed   FALSE
prior   loggamma
param   1 0.01
```

theta2

**name** alpha  
**short.name** a  
**initial** 0.693147180559945  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 0 1  
  
**survival** FALSE  
  
**discrete** FALSE