

# 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** logit probability  
**short.name** prob  
**initial** -1  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** -1 0.2  
**to.theta** function(x) log(x/(1-x))  
**from.theta** function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

### Zeroinflated Binomial Type 1

#### hyper

##### theta

**name** logit probability  
**short.name** prob  
**initial** -1  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** -1 0.2  
**to.theta** function(x) log(x/(1-x))  
**from.theta** function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE

## Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 0

hyper

theta1

name log size  
short.name size  
initial 2.30258509299405  
fixed FALSE  
prior loggamma  
param 1 1  
to.theta function(x) log(x)  
from.theta function(x) exp(x)

theta2

name logit probability  
short.name prob  
initial -1  
fixed FALSE  
prior gaussian  
param -1 0.2  
to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))  
from.theta function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

## Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 1

hyper

theta1

name log size  
short.name size  
initial 2.30258509299405  
fixed FALSE  
prior loggamma  
param 1 1  
to.theta function(x) log(x)  
from.theta function(x) exp(x)

theta2

name logit probability  
short.name prob  
initial -1  
fixed FALSE  
prior gaussian  
param -1 0.2  
to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))

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        from.theta function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))
survival FALSE
discrete FALSE

```

### Zeroinflated Poisson Type 0

hyper

```

    theta
      name logit probability
      short.name prob
      initial -1
      fixed FALSE
      prior gaussian
      param -1 0.2
      to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))
      from.theta function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

```

```

survival FALSE
discrete FALSE

```

### Zeroinflated Poisson Type 1

hyper

```

    theta
      name logit probability
      short.name prob
      initial -1
      fixed FALSE
      prior gaussian
      param -1 0.2
      to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))
      from.theta function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

```

```

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    logit probability
short.name  prob
initial -1
fixed   FALSE
prior   gaussian
param   -1 0.2
to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))
from.theta function(x) exp(x)/(1+exp(x))

```

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

## Zeroinflated Negative Binomial Type 2

hyper

**theta1**

**name** log size  
**short.name** size  
**initial** 2.30258509299405  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** loggamma  
**param** 1 1  
**to.theta** function(x) log(x)  
**from.theta** function(x) exp(x)

**theta2**

**name** log alpha  
**short.name** a  
**initial** 0.693147180559945  
**fixed** FALSE  
**prior** gaussian  
**param** 2 1  
**to.theta** function(x) log(x)  
**from.theta** function(x) exp(x)

**survival** FALSE

**discrete** FALSE