# Piecewise Regression using STAN Directly

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#### Goal

• Fit one and two piece Poisson and Quasiposson GLM

#### Recap

## Set up

#### Install libraries

```
# install packages user might not have by replacing FALSE with TRUE
## load libraries
library(stats)
library(MASS) # provides negative binomial fitting: glm.nb
library(ggplot2)
library(ggpubr)
library(grid)
library(gridExtra)
library(GGally)
library(broom)
library(tidyverse)
library(viridisLite)
library(rstan)
options(mc.cores = (parallel::detectCores()-2))
rstan_options(auto_write = TRUE)
library(loo)
## options(ggplot2.continuous.colour="viridis",
##
          ggplot2.discrete.colour="viridis",
##
          ggplot2.scale_fill_discrete = scale_fill_viridis_d,
          ggplot2.scale_fill_continuous = scale_fill_viridis_c)
library(reshape2)
library(lme4)
library(latex2exp)
```

#### Load Data

```
load(file.path("input", "data.processing_2022-11-09.Rda"),
    verbose = TRUE)

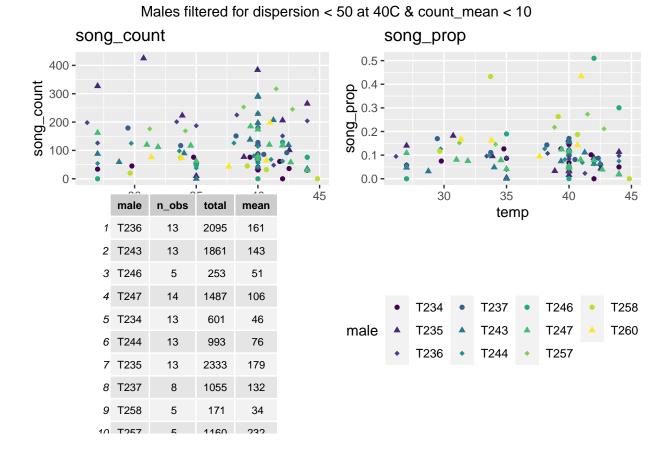
## Loading objects:
## song_data
## song_data_40C
## song_stats
## song_stats_40C
## bird_bill_data
```

#### **Examine Data**

#### Create Working Dataset

```
filter_data <- TRUE
if(filter_data) {
  males_filtered_disp <- song_stats_40C %>%
    filter(dispersion < 50) %>%
    pull(male)
  males_filtered_mean <- song_stats %>%
    filter(mean > 10) %>%
    pull(male)
 male_vector <- intersect(males_filtered_mean, males_filtered_disp)</pre>
} else {
  male_vector <- song_data %>% select(male) %>% distinct()
}
##males_selected <-</pre>
data_ind <- song_data %>%
  filter(male %in% male_vector) %>%
  arrange(male) %>%
        left_join(male_shape, by = "male") %>%
  mutate()
stats_ind <- song_stats %>%
  filter(male %in% male_vector)
```

## Plot song\_count



# Analyze Data:

## Simple GLM

```
glm_poisson_0 <- glm(song_count ~</pre>
                      data = data_ind,
                       family = poisson(link = "identity")
summary(glm_poisson_0)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = song_count ~ 1, family = poisson(link = "identity"),
##
       data = data ind)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
       Min
                  1Q
                      Median
                                    ЗQ
                                             Max
## -15.264
                      -2.558
            -6.300
                                 5.042
                                          21.979
```

```
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) 116.495
                           1.043 111.6 <2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 7107.5
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
glm_qpoisson_0 <- glm(song_count ~</pre>
                     data = data_ind,
                     family = quasipoisson(link = "identity")
summary(glm_qpoisson_0)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = song_count ~ 1, family = quasipoisson(link = "identity"),
##
      data = data_ind)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                     Median
                1Q
                                  ЗQ
                                          Max
## -15.264
           -6.300
                    -2.558
                               5.042
                                       21.979
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 116.495
                            8.251 14.12 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 62.52277)
##
      Null deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## AIC: NA
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
# Following analysis not needed
# glm_qpoisson_1 <- glm(song_count ~</pre>
#
                        (1 + male),
#
                       data = data_ind,
#
                       family = quasipoisson(link = "identity")
```

```
#
#
#summary(glm_qpoisson_1)
```

### Stan

#### Set Up Data

```
song_count <- data_ind %>% pull(song_count)
temp <- data_ind %>% pull(temp)
N <- length(temp)
## parameters to be printed

pars <- c("t1", "y0")
pars_full <- c(pars, "b1", "lp__")</pre>
```

#### Normal error

```
## Warning: There were 8458 transitions after warmup that exceeded the maximum treedepth. Increase max_
## https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#maximum-treedepth-exceeded

## Warning: Examine the pairs() plot to diagnose sampling problems

## Warning: The largest R-hat is 2.38, indicating chains have not mixed.

## Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
## https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#r-hat

## Warning: Bulk Effective Samples Size (ESS) is too low, indicating posterior means and medians may be
## Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
## https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#bulk-ess

## Warning: Tail Effective Samples Size (ESS) is too low, indicating posterior variances and tail quanta
```

## Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
## https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#tail-ess

• Even with a (poorly chosen) prior on sigma, this fails to converge. Here's some output.

```
> Chain 1: Iteration: 6000 / 6000 [100%]
                                          (Sampling)
> Chain 1:
> Chain 1: Elapsed Time: 15.038 seconds (Warm-up)
> Chain 1:
                          14.647 seconds (Sampling)
> Chain 1:
                          29.685 seconds (Total)
> Chain 1:
> Warning messages:
> 1: There were 1 divergent transitions after warmup. See
> https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#divergent-transitions-after-warmup
> to find out why this is a problem and how to eliminate them.
> 2: There were 3819 transitions after warmup that exceeded the maximum treedepth. Increase max_treedep
> https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#maximum-treedepth-exceeded
> 3: Examine the pairs() plot to diagnose sampling problems
> 4: The largest R-hat is 1.55, indicating chains have not mixed.
> Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
> https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#r-hat
> 5: Bulk Effective Samples Size (ESS) is too low, indicating posterior means and medians may be unreli
> Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
> https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#bulk-ess
> 6: Tail Effective Samples Size (ESS) is too low, indicating posterior variances and tail quantiles ma
> Running the chains for more iterations may help. See
> https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#tail-ess
```

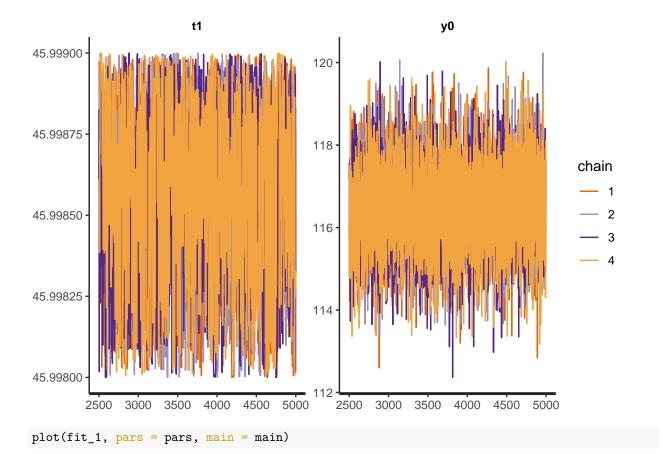
#### Poisson: Threshold (t1) and slope (b) formulation

- Model can be fitted
  - Data is overdispersed. (See comparison to quasipoisson below.)
  - Alternative formulation trying to estimate 'y0' directly does not currently work.

#### Null Model

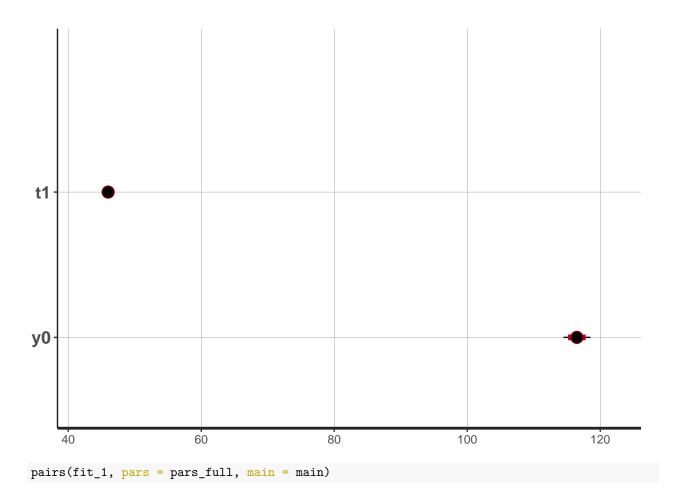
```
## having it too close to tmax *sometimes* leads to sampling
                        ## near tmax, but with lower lp and very high E13) b1 values
                       y_{tmax} = 0,
                       tp = tp),
             chains = 4,
             cores = 4,
             iter = iter,
             warmup = floor(iter/2))
## Examine output
main <- "One piece"
print(main)
## [1] "One piece"
print(fit_1, pars = pars)
## Inference for Stan model: one step poisson.
## 4 chains, each with iter=5000; warmup=2500; thin=1;
## post-warmup draws per chain=2500, total post-warmup draws=10000.
##
##
                          2.5%
                                   25%
                                          50%
                                                 75% 97.5% n eff Rhat
       mean se mean sd
## t1 46.00 0.00 0.00 46.00 46.00 46.00 46.00 1316
               0.01 1.04 114.47 115.78 116.48 117.18 118.51 8340
## y0 116.48
##
## Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Fri Dec 2 14:49:30 2022.
## For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size,
## and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at
## convergence, Rhat=1).
traceplot(fit_1, pars = pars, inc_warmup = FALSE, main = main)
```

## Warning in ggplot2::geom\_path(...): Ignoring unknown parameters: 'main'



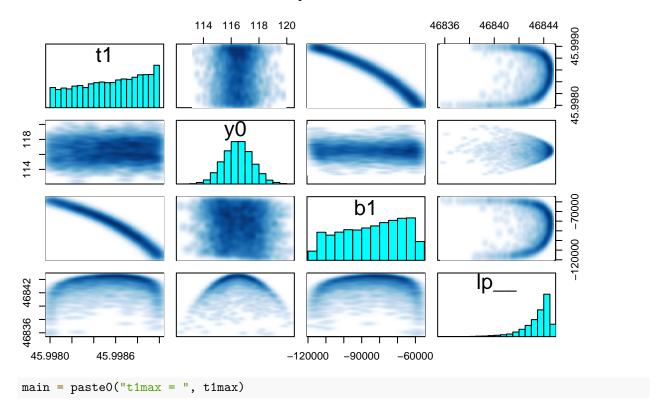
## ci\_level: 0.8 (80% intervals)

## outer\_level: 0.95 (95% intervals)



## Warning in par(usr): argument 1 does not name a graphical parameter
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## One piece



#### Two Piece Model

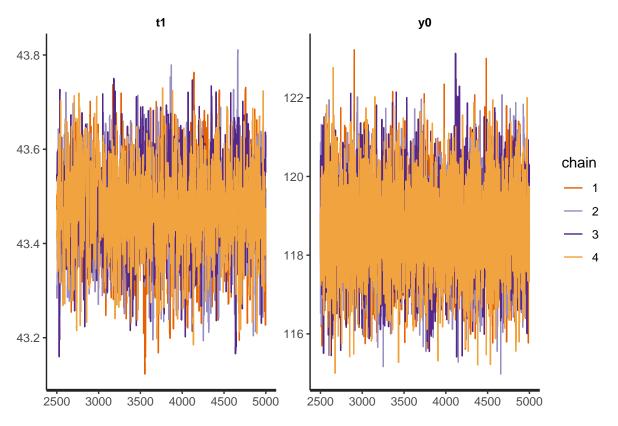
- Examination of posterior pr values indicate this fits substantially better than the one piece model.
- LOO analysis below indicates it has more problems, however.

```
iter <- 5000
tmax <- 46
t1max <- tmax - 0.75;
t1min \leftarrow 25;
## values to use for model predictions
tp = seq(25, tmax, length.out = 100)
fit_2 <- stan(file = "two.piece_poisson.stan",</pre>
              model_name = "Two Piece poisson",
              data=list(t = temp,
                         y = song_count,
                         N = N,
                         tmax = tmax,
                         t1min = t1min,
                         t1max = t1max, ## max threshold value.
                         ## having it too close to tmax *sometimes* leads to sampling
                         ## near tmax, but with lower lp and very high E13) b1 values
                         y_{tmax} = 0,
                         tp = tp),
              chains = 4,
               cores = 4,
```

```
iter = iter,
              warmup = floor(iter/2))
## Examine output
main <- "Two piece"
print(main)
## [1] "Two piece"
print(fit_2, pars = pars)
## Inference for Stan model: one step poisson.
## 4 chains, each with iter=5000; warmup=2500; thin=1;
## post-warmup draws per chain=2500, total post-warmup draws=10000.
##
                                           50%
##
        mean se_mean
                       sd
                            2.5%
                                    25%
                                                  75%
                                                       97.5% n_eff Rhat
## t1
       43.47
                0.00 0.10
                          43.27 43.41
                                        43.48
                                                43.54
                                                       43.66
##
  y0 118.71
                0.01 1.09 116.58 117.98 118.71 119.46 120.88
                                                                       1
##
## Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Fri Dec 2 14:49:42 2022.
## For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size,
## and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at
## convergence, Rhat=1).
```

## traceplot(fit\_2, pars = pars, inc\_warmup = FALSE, main = main)

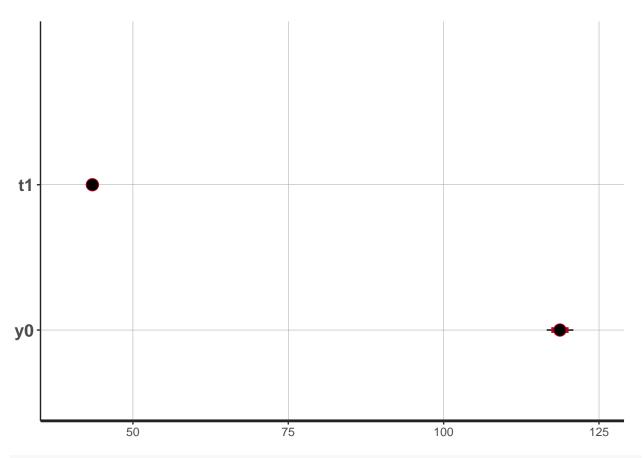
 $\verb|## Warning in ggplot2::geom_path(...): Ignoring unknown parameters: `main'$ 



```
plot(fit_2, pars = pars, main = main)
```

## ci\_level: 0.8 (80% intervals)

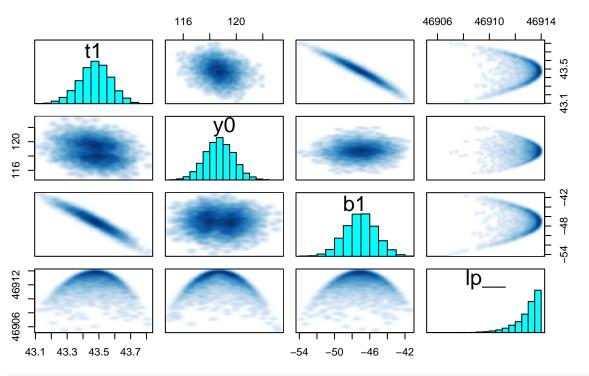
## outer\_level: 0.95 (95% intervals)



pairs(fit\_2, pars = pars\_full, main = main)

## Warning in par(usr): argument 1 does not name a graphical parameter
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## Two piece



#ggplot()

#### Leave One Out (LOO) analysis

```
## Code from:
# Extract pointwise log-likelihood
# using merge_chains=FALSE returns an array, which is easier to
# use with relative_eff()
for(fit in c("fit_1", "fit_2")) {
  print(paste0("Model Fit: ", fit))
  log_lik_1 <- extract_log_lik(eval(parse(text = fit)), merge_chains = FALSE)</pre>
# as of loo v2.0.0 we can optionally provide relative effective sample sizes
# when calling loo, which allows for better estimates of the PSIS effective
# sample sizes and Monte Carlo error
r_eff <- relative_eff(exp(log_lik_1), cores = 2)</pre>
# preferably use more than 2 cores (as many cores as possible)
# will use value of 'mc.cores' option if cores is not specified
loo_1 \leftarrow loo(log_lik_1, r_eff = r_eff, cores = 2)
  print(loo_1)
}
```

```
## [1] "Model Fit: fit_1"
```

## Warning: Some Pareto k diagnostic values are too high. See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.

##

```
## Computed from 10000 by 107 log-likelihood matrix
##
##
            Estimate
                        SE
## elpd_loo -3584.5 422.7
## p_loo
                61.4 10.8
## looic
              7168.9 845.4
## -----
## Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is NA.
##
## Pareto k diagnostic values:
                             Count Pct.
                                           Min. n_eff
## (-Inf, 0.5]
                 (good)
                             101
                                   94.4%
                                           1022
   (0.5, 0.7]
                                           179
##
                 (ok)
                               4
                                    3.7%
      (0.7, 1]
                 (bad)
                                    0.9%
##
                               1
                                           41
##
      (1, Inf)
                 (very bad)
                                    0.9%
                                           18
                               1
## See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.
## [1] "Model Fit: fit_2"
## Warning: Some Pareto k diagnostic values are too high. See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.
##
## Computed from 10000 by 107 log-likelihood matrix
##
            Estimate
                        SE
## elpd_loo
             -3550.8 417.4
               126.0 35.0
## p_loo
              7101.5 834.7
## looic
## Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is NA.
## Pareto k diagnostic values:
##
                             Count Pct.
                                           Min. n_eff
## (-Inf, 0.5]
                 (good)
                             97
                                   90.7%
                                           730
   (0.5, 0.7]
                              2
                                    1.9%
##
                 (ok)
                                           373
##
      (0.7, 1]
                 (bad)
                              3
                                    2.8%
                                           14
      (1, Inf)
                 (very bad) 5
                                    4.7%
## See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.
```

• Don't really know how to interpret these results.

#### Comparing Fits

Null Models: GLM\_Poisson, GLM\_Quasipoisson vs. STAN Poisson

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = song_count ~ 1, family = poisson(link = "identity"),
## data = data_ind)
##
```

```
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min 1Q Median
                                  30
                                          Max
                    -2.558 5.042
## -15.264 -6.300
                                       21.979
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
##
                            1.043
                                  111.6
## (Intercept) 116.495
                                            <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
##
##
      Null deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 7107.5
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
summary(glm_qpoisson_0)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = song_count ~ 1, family = quasipoisson(link = "identity"),
##
      data = data_ind)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q
                    Median
                                  3Q
                                          Max
                    -2.558
## -15.264
            -6.300
                               5.042
                                       21.979
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                            8.251
                                   14.12 <2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) 116.495
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 62.52277)
      Null deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 6451.2 on 106 degrees of freedom
## AIC: NA
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
print(fit_1, pars = c("y0"))
## Inference for Stan model: one step poisson.
## 4 chains, each with iter=5000; warmup=2500; thin=1;
## post-warmup draws per chain=2500, total post-warmup draws=10000.
##
##
       mean se mean
                      sd
                           2.5%
                                   25%
                                          50%
                                                 75% 97.5% n eff Rhat
             0.01 1.04 114.47 115.78 116.48 117.18 118.51 8340
## y0 116.48
## Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Fri Dec 2 14:49:30 2022.
```

```
## For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size,
## and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at
## convergence, Rhat=1).
```

- We see that all three approaches give the same best estimate of y0 = 116.5. In addition,
  - poisson and stan fits match in terms of their error estimate: 1.05. This is substantially smaller than the quasipoisson estimate of 8.25. I was hoping that the stan model would match the quasipoisson estimates.

knitr::knit\_exit()