

### ### Simulation study for LM(normal) vs GLM(Poisson) ###

For *Poisson* regression, the estimates are centred around the true value, and they are within one SE of true value, so we have good efficiency and unbiasedness. But using *Normal* model shows bias and the estimated values fell far from the real value. So we cant trust confidence interval results for the wrong model.

#### #means of coefficient estimates

B0\_pois = 0.2021

B1\_pois = 0.4971

B0\_norm = 1.1929

B1\_norm = 0.7868

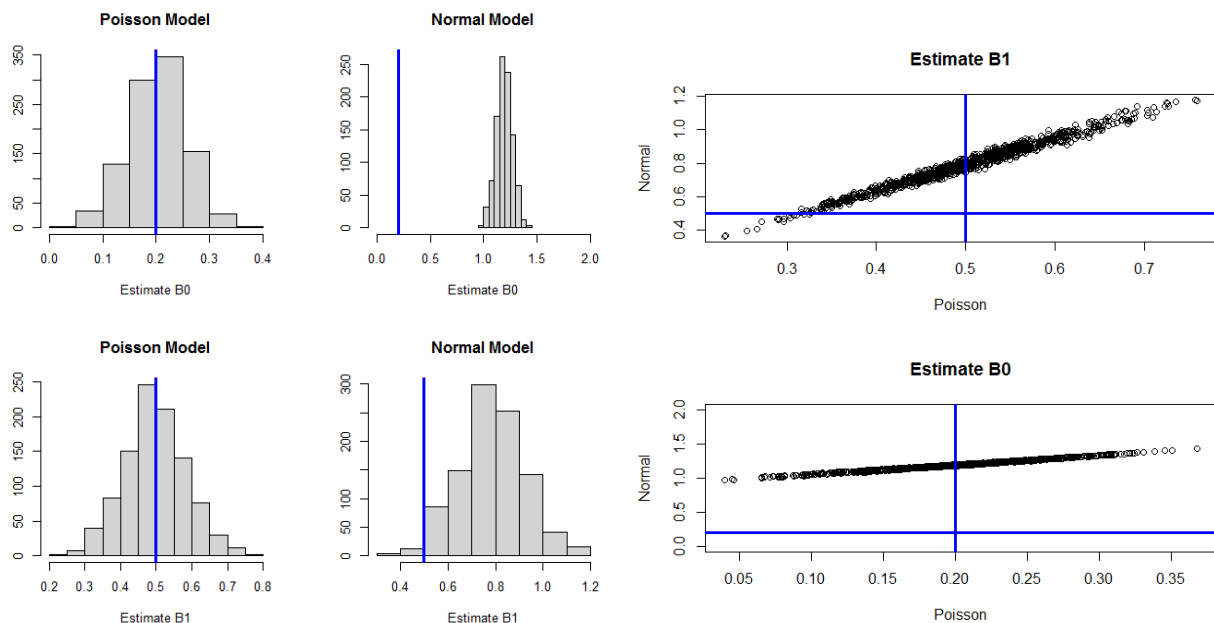
#### #SE of coefficient estimates

B0\_pois = 0.0017

B1\_pois = 0.0027

B0\_norm = 0.0024

B1\_norm = 0.0043



## R Code:

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### Simulation study for LM(normal) vs GLM(link=Poisson) ###
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set.seed(3759) ## for reproducibility
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reps <- 1000 ## number of simulated data sets
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par.est.pois <- matrix(NA, nrow=reps, ncol = 4)
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par.est.norm <- matrix(NA, nrow=reps, ncol = 4)
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b0 <- .2
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b1 <- .5
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n<- 1000
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X<- runif(n, 0, 1)
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for(i in 1:reps)
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{
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  Y <- rpois(n, exp(b0 + b1*X))
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  ## poisson regression fit and estimates
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  glm1 <- glm(Y ~ X, family = 'poisson')
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  vcv <- vcov(glm1)
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  par.est.pois[i,1] <- glm1$coef[1]
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  par.est.pois[i,2] <- glm1$coef[2]
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  par.est.pois[i,3] <- sqrt(diag(vcv)[1])
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par.est.pois[i,4] <- sqrt(diag(vcv)[2])

## normal regression fit and estimates

lm1 <- lm(Y ~ X)

vcv <- vcov(lm1)

par.est.norm[i,1] <- lm1$coef[1]

par.est.norm[i,2] <- lm1$coef[2]

par.est.norm[i,3] <- sqrt(diag(vcv)[1])

par.est.norm[i,4] <- sqrt(diag(vcv)[2])

}

#means of coefficient estimates

print(mean(par.est.pois[ , 1]))

print(mean(par.est.pois[ , 2]))

print(mean(par.est.norm[ , 1]))

print(mean(par.est.norm[ , 2]))

#SE of coefficient estimates

print(sqrt( var(par.est.pois[ , 1]) / reps ) )

print(sqrt( var(par.est.pois[ , 2]) / reps ) )

print(sqrt( var(par.est.norm[ , 1]) / reps ) )

print(sqrt( var(par.est.norm[ , 2]) / reps ) )

##plots

par(mfrow=c(2,2))

hist(par.est.pois[ , 1], xlab="Estimate B0", ylab="", main="Poisson Model")

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abline(v=b0, col='blue', lwd=3)
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```
hist(par.est.norm[ , 1], xlim = c(0,2), xlab="Estimate B0", ylab="", main="Normal Model")
```

```
abline(v=b0, col='blue', lwd=3)
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hist(par.est.pois[ , 2], xlab="Estimate B1", ylab="", main="Poisson Model")
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abline(v=b1, col='blue', lwd=3)
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```
hist(par.est.norm[ , 2], xlab="Estimate B1", ylab="", main="Normal Model")
```

```
abline(v=b1, col='blue', lwd=3)
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par(mfrow=c(2,1))
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plot(par.est.pois[ , 2], par.est.norm[ , 2], xlab="Poisson", ylab="Normal", main="Estimate B1")
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```
abline(h=b1, col='blue', lwd=3)
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abline(v=b1, col='blue', lwd=3)
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```
plot(par.est.pois[ , 1], par.est.norm[ , 1], ylim = c(0,2), xlab="Poisson", ylab="Normal", main="Estimate B0")
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```
abline(h=b0, col='blue', lwd=3)
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abline(v=b0, col='blue', lwd=3)
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