Conquer zero-event issue in hierarchical NHPP

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1 Revised code

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functions{
  real nhpp_log(vector t, real beta, real theta, real tau){
    vector[num_elements(t)] loglik_part;
    real loglikelihood;
    for (i in 1:num_elements(t)){
      loglik_part[i] = log(beta) - beta*log(theta) + (beta - 1)*log(t[i]);
    }
    loglikelihood = sum(loglik_part) - (tau/theta)^beta;
    return loglikelihood;
  }
  real nhppnoevent_lp(real tau, real beta, real theta){
    real loglikelihood = - (tau/theta)^beta;
    return(loglikelihood);
  }
}
data {
  int<lower=1> N; //total # of failures
  int<lower=1> K; //number of predictors
  int<lower=1> S; //total # of shifts
  int<lower=1> D; //total # of drivers
  int<lower=1> id[S];//driver index, must be an array
  vector<lower=0>[S] tau;//truncated time
  vector<lower=0>[N] event_time; //failure time
  int group_size[S]; //group sizes
  matrix[S, K] X_predictors;//predictor variable matrix
}
transformed data{
  matrix[S, K] X_centered;
  vector[K] X_means;
  for(k0 in 1:K){
    X_means[k0] = mean(X_predictors[, k0]);
    X_centered[,k0] = X_predictors[, k0] - X_means[k0];
  }
}
parameters{
  real mu0; // hyperparameter
  real<lower=0> sigma0;// hyperparameter
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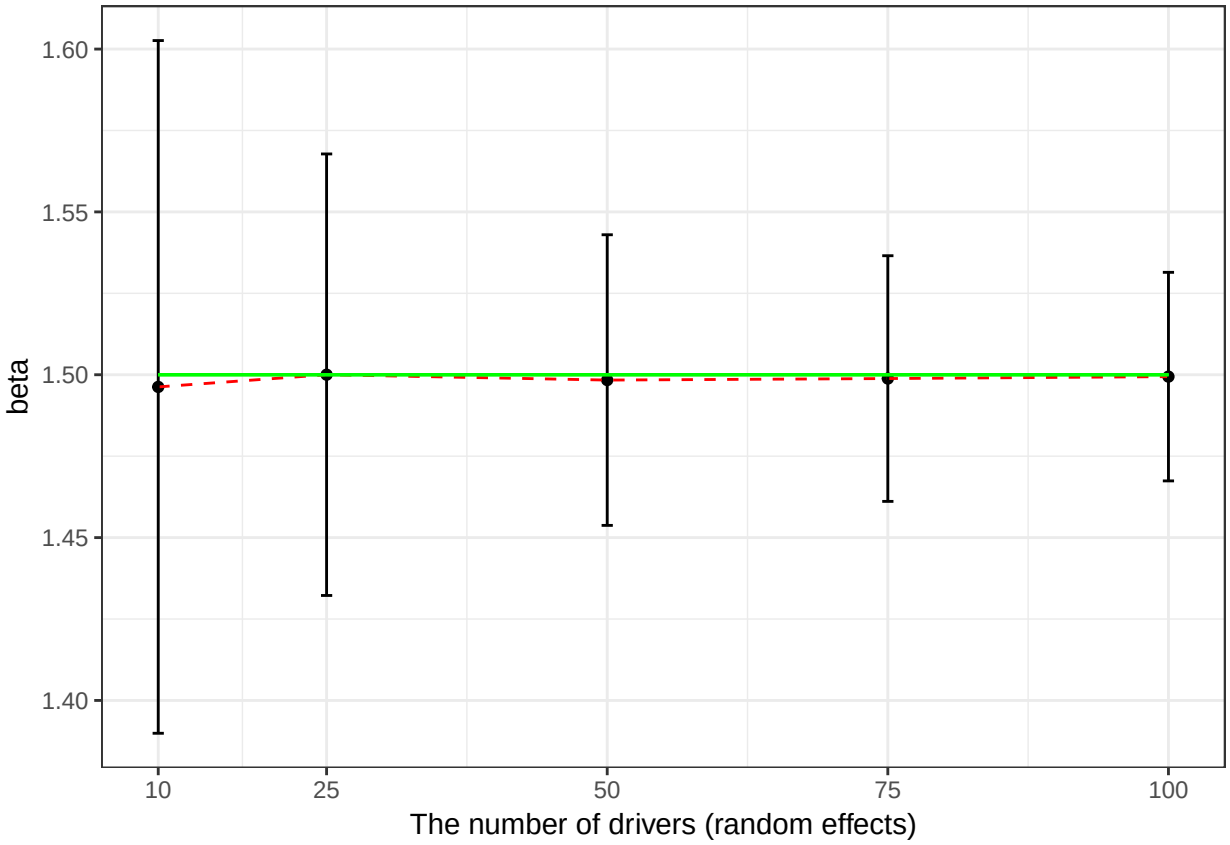
  real<lower=0> beta;
  vector[K] R1_K; // fixed parameters
  vector[D] R0; // random intercept
}
transformed parameters{
  //vector[S] r_1_1 = ()
}
model{
  int position = 1;
  vector[S] theta_temp;

  for (s0 in 1:S){
    theta_temp[s0] = exp(R0[id[s0]] + X_centered[s0,]*R1_K);
  }

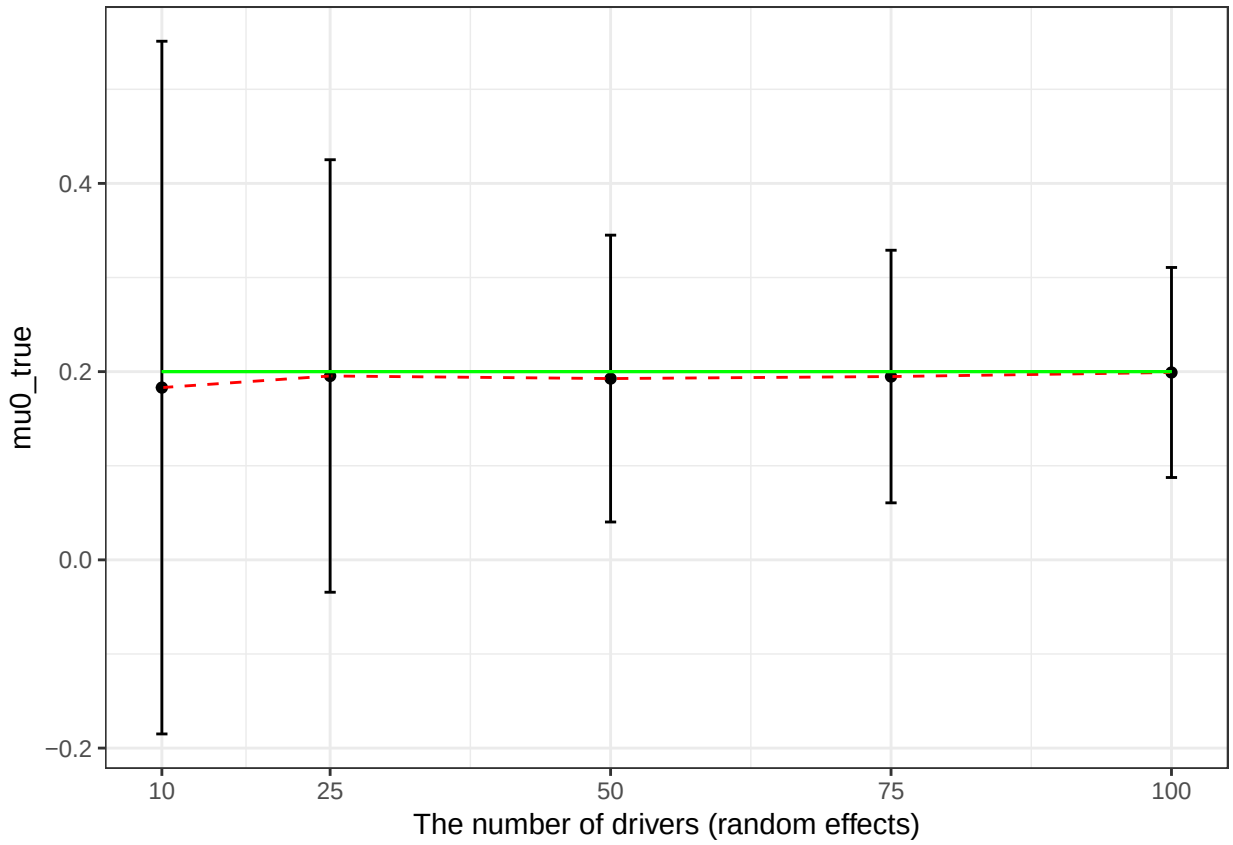
  for (s1 in 1:S){
    if(group_size[s1] == 0) {
      target += nhppnoevent_lp(tau[s1], beta, theta_temp[s1]);
    }else{
      segment(event_time, position, group_size[s1]) ~ nhpp(beta, theta_temp[s1], tau[s1]);
      position += group_size[s1];
    }
  }
  beta ~ gamma(1, 1);
  R0 ~ normal(mu0, sigma0);
  R1_K  ~ normal(0, 10);
  mu0 ~ normal(0, 10);
  sigma0 ~ gamma(1, 1);
  //theta_temp ~ gamma(1, 0.01);
}
generated quantities{
  real mu0_true = mu0 - dot_product(X_means, R1_K);
  vector[D] R0_true = R0 - dot_product(X_means, R1_K);
  //real theta_correct = theta_temp - dot_product(X_centered, R1_K);
}
```

2 Estimation results - 500 simulations for each sample size

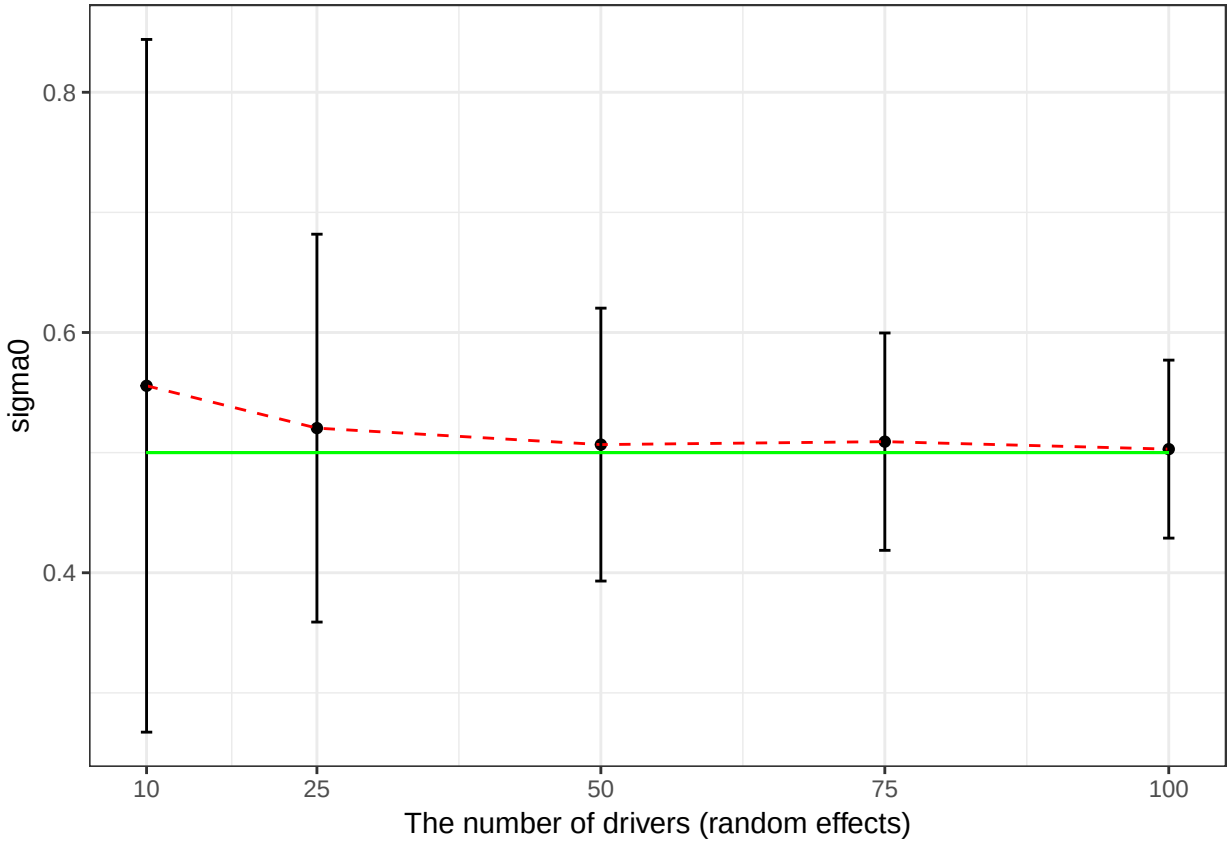
2.1 beta



2.2 mu0


0.4
0.2
0.0
−0.2
mu0_true
10
25
50
75
100
The number of drivers (random effects)

2.3 sigma0


0.8
0.6
0.4
sigma0
10
25
50
75
100
The number of drivers (random effects)

2.4 Fixed parameters