

Assignment 7

Fitting models to data

Juan Carlos Villaseñor-Derbez

2018-03-07

```
# Load packages
suppressPackageStartupMessages({
  library(deSolve)
  library(cowplot)
  library(bbmle)
  library(tidyverse)
})
```

Code up an SIR model in which the measurement error follows a Poisson distribution

```
data_flu <- read.csv("../..//Labs/Lab7/boarding_school_flu.csv") %>%
  rename(time = day)
```

```
# define a SIRv.model function to pass to lsoda
SIR.model <- function (t, x, params) {
  S <- x[1]
  I <- x[2]
  R <- x[3]

  beta <- params[1]
  gamma <- params[2]

  N <- 763

  dSdt <- -beta*S*I/N
  dIdt <- beta*S*I/N - gamma*I
  dRdt <- gamma*I

  return(list(c(dSdt,dIdt,dRdt)))
}
```

```
S0 <- 762 # Initial number of susceptibles
I0 <- 1 # Initial number of infecteds
R0 <- 0 # Initial number of recovered
initial_values <- c(S=S0,I=I0,R=R0)

beta <- 2 # per host per week
gamma <- 0.5 # per week
params <- c(beta, gamma)

times <- seq(0, 15, by=0.1)
```

```

set.seed(43)

lsoda(initial_values, times, SIR.model, params) %>%
  as.data.frame() %>%
  left_join(data_flu, by = "time") %>%
  gather(group, count, -c(time, flu)) %>%
  mutate(count_error = rpois(length(count), count)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = time, color = group)) +
  geom_line(aes(y = count), size = 1) +
  geom_point(aes(y = count_error)) +
  geom_point(aes(y = flu), color = "black", size = 2) +
  scale_color_brewer(palette = "Set1")

```

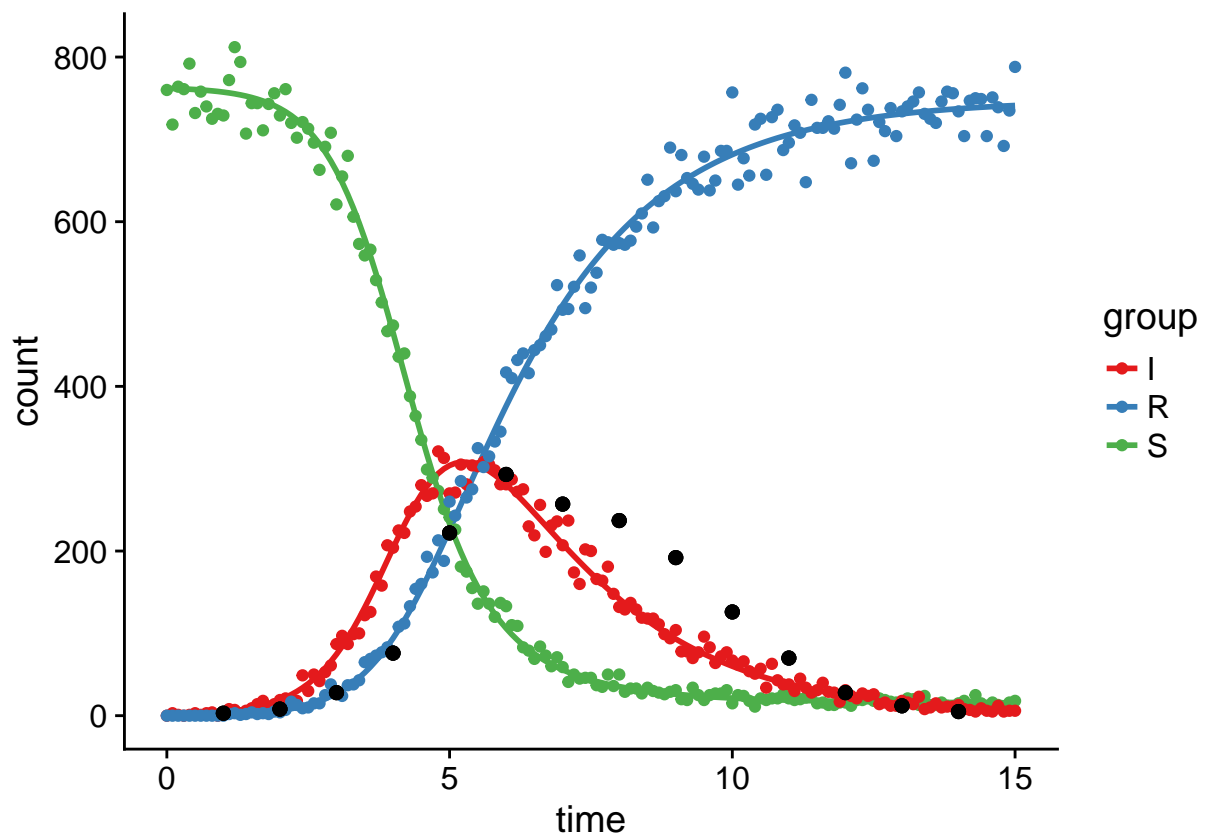


Figure 1: Simulation of a SIR model with $\beta = 2$ and $\gamma = 0.5$. Dots represent a random measurement error following a Poisson distribution. Black dots represent the 'flu' variable (bedded kids) from the flu dataset.

Assume that the boys confined to bed corresponds to the infected class of the SIR model and fit the model using maximum likelihood

```
sir_nll <- function(beta, gamma){
  times <- c(0, data_flu$time)
  params <- c(beta, gamma)
  initial_values <- c(S = 762, I = 1, R = 0)

  results <- lsoda(func = SIR.model,
                  y = initial_values,
                  times = times,
                  parms = params) %>%
    as.data.frame()

  nll = -1*sum(dpois(data_flu$flu, results$I[2:15], log=TRUE))

  return(nll)
}
```

```
fit_sir <- mle2(sir_nll,
               start = list(beta = 2,
                             gamma = 1),
               method = "L-BFGS-B",
               lower = c(0, 0),
               upper = c(Inf, Inf))
```

Using the default values of $\beta = 2$ and $\gamma = 0.5$, we obtain a $NLL = 240.66$. The best fit is obtained with $\beta = 1.69$ and $\gamma = 0.48$, achieving a $\$NLL = \$ 76.57$ Figure 2.

```
beta = coef(fit_sir)[1] # per host per week
gamma = coef(fit_sir)[2] # per week
parameters = c(beta, gamma)

times = seq(0, 15, by=0.1)

set.seed(43)

lsoda(initial_values, times, SIR.model, parameters) %>%
  as.data.frame() %>%
  left_join(data_flu, by = "time") %>%
  gather(group, count, -c(time, flu)) %>%
  mutate(count_error = rpois(length(count), count)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = time, color = group)) +
  geom_line(aes(y = count), size = 1) +
  geom_point(aes(y = count_error)) +
  geom_point(aes(y = flu), color = "black", size = 2) +
  scale_color_brewer(palette = "Set1")
```

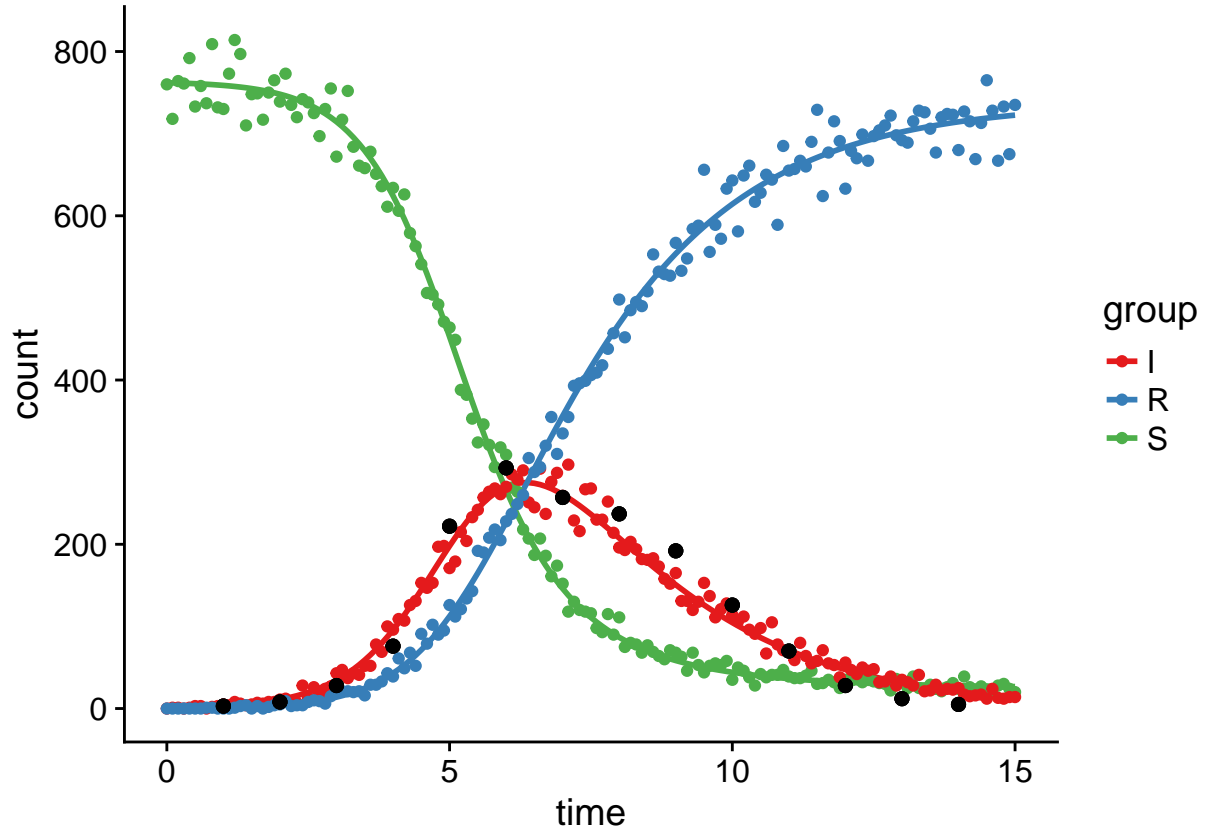


Figure 2: Simulation of a SIR model with optimized $\beta = 1.69$ and $\gamma = 0.48$. Dots represent a random measurement error following a Poisson distribution. Black dots represent the ‘flu’ variable (beded kids) from the flu dataset.

Compute the AIC of the SIR model and compare it to the SBIR model. Which model does AIC indicate is preferable?

The SIR model is more parsimonious than the SBIR model (AIC = 158.22 vs. AIC = 185.27).

```
AICc(fit_sir, fit_sbir, nobs = 14, k = c(2, 3)) %>%  
  mutate(Model = c("SIR", "SBIR"),  
         N = 14) %>%  
  select(Model, k = df, N, AICc) %>%  
  knitr::kable(format = "latex",  
               caption = "Corrected Akaike Information Criterion (AICc) for the SIR and SBIR models.",  
               booktabs = T) %>%  
  kableExtra::kable_styling(latex_options = "HOLD_position")
```

Table 1: Corrected Akaike Information Criterion (AICc) for the SIR and SBIR models.

Model	k	N	AICc
SIR	2	14	158.2259
SBIR	3	14	185.2788