# Zero-inflated models: Poisson, Binomial, negative Binomial and BetaBinomial

#### 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, the negative Binomial and BetaBinomial likelihood. For simplicity we will describe only the Poisson as the other cases are similar.

#### Type 0

The (type 0) likelihood is defined as

$$Prob(y \mid \ldots) = p \times 1_{[y=0]} + (1-p) \times Poisson(y \mid y > 0)$$

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

$$Prob(y \mid \ldots) = p \times 1_{[y=0]} + (1-p) \times Poisson(y)$$

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 the negative Binomial and the BetaBinomial.

# 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 and BetaBinomial, there are two hyperparameters. The overdispersion parameter n for the negative Binomial 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  $\theta_2$ . For the BetaBinomial it is similar.

# **Specification**

```
• family = zeroinflatedbinomial0
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- family = zeroinflatedbinomial1
- family = zeroinflatednbinomial0
- family = zeroinflatednbinomial1
- family = zeroinflatedpoisson0
- family = zeroinflatedpoisson1
- family = zeroinflatedbetabinomial0
- family = zeroinflatedbetabinomial1
- Required arguments: As for the Binomial, the negative Binomial, BetaBinomial and Poisson likelihood.

## Hyperparameter spesification and default values

# Zeroinflated Binomial Type 0

#### hyper

```
theta
```

```
hyperid 90001
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

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# Zeroinflated Binomial Type 1

# hyper

# theta

```
hyperid 91001
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
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Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 0
hyper
     theta1
         hyperid 95001
         name log size
         short.name size
         initial 2.30258509299405
         fixed FALSE
         prior loggamma
         param 11
         to.theta function(x) log(x)
         from.theta function(x) exp(x)
     theta2
         hyperid 95002
         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
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```

# Zeroinflated NegBinomial Type 1 hyper theta1 hyperid 96001 name log size short.name size initial 2.30258509299405 fixed FALSE prior loggamma param 11 to.theta function(x) log(x) from.theta function(x) exp(x) theta2hyperid 96002 name logit probability short.name prob initial -1fixed 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 link default log pdf zeroinflated Zeroinflated BetaBinomial Type 0 hyper theta1 hyperid 88001 name overdispersion short.name rho initial 0 fixed FALSE prior gaussian

**param** 0 0.4

hyperid 88002

theta2

to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))

from.theta function(x)  $\exp(x)/(1+\exp(x))$ 

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```
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 TRUE
link default logit probit cloglog
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Zeroinflated BetaBinomial Type 1
hyper
    theta1
         hyperid 89001
         name overdispersion
         short.name rho
         initial 0
         fixed FALSE
         prior gaussian
         param 0 0.4
         to.theta function(x) log(x/(1-x))
         from.theta function(x) \exp(x)/(1+\exp(x))
    theta2
         hyperid 89002
         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 TRUE
link default logit probit cloglog
pdf zeroinflated
```

# hyper theta hyperid 85001 name logit probability short.name prob initial -1fixed 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 link default log pdf zeroinflated Zeroinflated Poisson Type 1 hyper theta hyperid 86001 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 link default log pdf zeroinflated

Zeroinflated Poisson Type 0

## 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 \sim 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)
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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)
```

# Advanced example

In the following example we estimate the parameters in a simulated example for a type0 likelihood, where one linear predictor enters the zero-probability and one other linear predictor enters the non-zero Poisson for example. The same trick can be used for other models of type0. The trick is that the likelihood

$$p^*1_{[y=0]} + (1-p^*)P(y|y>0)$$

can be reformulated as a Bernoulli likelihood for the "class"-variable

$$z = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } y = 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } y > 0. \end{cases}$$

where  $p^*$  is the probability for success, and zero-inflated type0 likelihood (with fixed p = 0) for those y > 0. Since  $p^*$  and the linear predictor in P is separated into two likelihoods, we can apply one linear predictor to each one, hence extend the basic model to cases where  $p^*$  also depends on a linear predictor. Here is a small simulated example doing this.

```
require(INLA)
n = 100
a = 0.5
b = 1.5
x1 = rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)
eta.z = -a - b*x1
z = rbinom(n, 1, inla.link.logit(eta.z, inverse=TRUE))
n.y = sum(z)
x2 = rnorm(n.y, sd = 0.5)
eta.y = a + b*x2
lambda = exp(eta.y)
y = rpois(n.y, lambda)
is.zero = (y == 0)
while(sum(is.zero) > 0)
   y[is.zero] = rpois(sum(is.zero), lambda[is.zero])
   is.zero = (y == 0)
}
Y = matrix(NA, n + n.y, 2)
Y[1:n, 1] = z
Y[n + 1:n.y, 2] = y
form = Y \sim 0 + mu.z + mu.y + cov.z + cov.y
ldat = list(
        Y=Y,
        mu.z=rep(1:0, c(n, n.y)),
        mu.y=rep(0:1, c(n, n.y)),
        cov.z=c(x1, rep(NA,n.y)),
        cov.y=c(rep(NA, n), x2))
```

#### 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 for Poisson as zeroinflatedpoisson2, for binomial as zeroinflatedbinomial2 and for the negative binomial as zeroinflatednbinomial2.

The internal representation is  $\theta = \log(\alpha)$  and prior is defined on  $\log(\alpha)$ .

# Zeroinflated Poisson Type 2

#### hyper

```
theta
```

```
hyperid 87001
name log alpha
short.name a
initial 0.693147180559945
fixed FALSE
prior gaussian
param 0.693147180559945 1
to.theta function(x) log(x)
from.theta function(x) exp(x)
```

survival FALSE

discrete FALSE

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# Zeroinflated Binomial Type 2

```
hyper
    theta
         hyperid 92001
         name alpha
         short.name alpha
         initial -1
         fixed FALSE
         prior gaussian
         param -1 0.2
         to.theta function(x) log(x)
         from.theta function(x) exp(x)
survival FALSE
discrete FALSE
link default logit probit cloglog
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Zeroinflated Negative Binomial Type 2
hyper
    theta1
         hyperid 99001
         name log size
         short.name size
         initial 2.30258509299405
         fixed FALSE
         prior loggamma
         param 11
         to.theta function(x) log(x)
         from.theta function(x) exp(x)
    theta2
         hyperid 99002
         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

link default log

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