

## Model

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\theta_j, \sigma, \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j | z_{\log(y_j)}) &\propto P(z_{\log(y_j)} | \theta_j, \sigma, \mu, \varphi, \tau, K_j) \cdot P(\theta_j, \sigma, \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j) \\
&\propto P(z_{\log(y_j)} | \theta_j, \sigma) P(\theta_j | \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j) P(\sigma) P(\mu_0) P(\varphi) P(\tau)
\end{aligned}$$

$K_j$  has no prior since it is the predictor, i.e. it is not a parameter.

The assumed shapes of the priors and likelihoods are as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\sigma), P(\tau) &\sim \mathcal{U}[0, +\infty) \\
P(\mu), P(\varphi) &\sim \mathcal{U}(-\infty, +\infty) \\
P(z_{\log(y_j)} | \theta_j, \sigma) &\sim \mathcal{N}(\theta_j, \sigma^2) \\
P(\theta_j | \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j) &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j, \tau^2)
\end{aligned}$$

Note, that the priors for  $P(\sigma)$  and  $P(\tau)$  exclude 0.

For slice sampling, the joint posterior over all individuals was used:

$$\prod_j^J P(\theta_j, \sigma, \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j | z_{\log(y_j)}) \propto \prod_j^J P(z_{\log(y_j)} | \theta_j, \sigma) P(\theta_j | \mu_0, \varphi, \tau, K_j) P(\sigma) P(\mu_0) P(\varphi) P(\tau)$$

For the slice sampler, the log-pdfs of the assumed distributions were used.

## Transformation

2 For each individual,  $j$ , the logarithmised observations,  $\log(y_j)$ , which are also mean-centred and standardised,  $z_{\log(y_j)}$ , are distributed as follows:

$$4 \quad \begin{aligned} z_{\log(y_j)} &\sim \mathcal{N}(\theta_j, \sigma^2) \\ z_{\log(y_j)} &= \theta_j + \sigma \cdot X \end{aligned} \quad \text{where } X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

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$$\theta_j \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j, \tau^2) \quad \text{where } K_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j \text{ is a kid} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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$$\theta_j = \mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j + \tau \cdot \Xi \quad \text{where } \Xi \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

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$$z_{\log(y_j)} = \mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j + \tau \cdot \Xi + \sigma \cdot X$$

assuming independence, we can convolute the addition of the two normally distributed random variables,  $\Xi$  and  $X$ , and merge them into depending only on one of the, say  $X$ :

$$14 \quad z_{\log(y_j)} = \mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j + \sqrt{\sigma^2 + \tau^2} \cdot X$$

De-standardising from the sample variance,  $\bar{\sigma}_y$  and un-centering from the sample mean,  $\bar{y}$ , yields:

$$16 \quad \begin{aligned} z_{\log(y_j)} &= \frac{\log(y_j) - \bar{y}}{\bar{\sigma}_y} = \mu_0 + \varphi \cdot K_j + \sqrt{\sigma^2 + \tau^2} \cdot X \\ \log(y_j) &= \underbrace{\bar{\sigma}_y \mu_0 + \bar{y}}_{\mu_{0, \text{unscaled}}} + \underbrace{\bar{\sigma}_y \varphi}_{\varphi_{\text{unscaled}}} \cdot K_j + \sqrt{\underbrace{\bar{\sigma}_y^2 \sigma^2}_{\sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2} + \underbrace{\bar{\sigma}_y^2 \tau^2}_{\tau_{\text{unscaled}}^2}} \cdot X \end{aligned}$$

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and therefore,

$$20 \quad \begin{aligned} \log(y_j) &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{0, \text{unscaled}} + \varphi_{\text{unscaled}} \cdot K_j, \sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2 + \tau_{\text{unscaled}}^2) \\ y_j &\sim \text{logNormal}(\mu_{0, \text{unscaled}} + \varphi_{\text{unscaled}} \cdot K_j, \sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2 + \tau_{\text{unscaled}}^2) \end{aligned}$$

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The expected value at the **group** level is thus (from Wiki page):

$$24 \quad \begin{aligned} \mu_{\text{unscaled, nonlog}} &= E[y_j] = e^{\mu_{0, \text{unscaled}} + \varphi_{\text{unscaled}} \cdot K_j + \frac{\sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2}{2} + \frac{\tau_{\text{unscaled}}^2}{2}} \\ &= \underbrace{e^{\varphi_{\text{unscaled}} \cdot K_j}}_{\text{effect}} e^{\mu_{0, \text{unscaled}} + \frac{\sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2}{2} + \frac{\tau_{\text{unscaled}}^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

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And at the **individual** level:

$$28 \quad \theta_{\text{unscaled, nonlog}} = E[y_j] = e^{\theta_{\text{unscaled}} + \frac{\sigma_{\text{unscaled}}^2}{2}}$$

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The multiplicative effect of being a kid acts only on the group level.