

# Package ‘countfitter’

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**Description** A large number of measurements generate count data. This is a statistical data type that only assumes non-negative integer values and is generated by counting. Typically, counting data can be found in biomedical applications, such as the analysis of DNA double-strand breaks. The number of DNA double-strand breaks can be counted in individual cells using various bioanalytical methods. For diagnostic applications, it is relevant to record the distribution of the number data in order to determine their biomedical significance (Roediger, S. et al., 2018. Journal of Laboratory and Precision Medicine. <doi:10.21037/jlpm.2018.04.10>). The software offers functions for a comprehensive automated evaluation of distribution models of count data. In addition to programmatic interaction, a graphical user interface (web server) is included, which enables fast and interactive data-scientific analyses. The user is supported in selecting the most suitable counting distribution for his own data set.

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countfitter-package     *countfitter - a framework for fitting count distributions in R*

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## Description

The countfitter package is a toolbox for the analysis of count data.

## Acknowledgements

countfitter is a wrapper around existing count models in R. To standardize error messages and ease up the integration, we slightly modified the `zeroinfl` function by Achim Zeileis.

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**See Also**

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/BioGenies/countfitter>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/BioGenies/countfitter/issues>

**Examples**

```
set.seed(15390)
library(countfitter)
df <- data.frame(pois = rpois(25, 0.3),
                 binom = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))

cmp <- compare_fit(df, fitlist = fit_counts(df, model = "all"))
```

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case_study	<i>Short version of the case_study_FITC</i>
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**Description**

shorter version of the case\_study\_FITC. Used as an example in shiny app, when the user will not load his own count data.

**Usage**

```
case_study
```

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case_study_all	<i>Case study with two fluorescent dyes</i>
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**Description**

example data extracted from Aklides system and merged into one file. Counts in this file will not fit properly, due to the fact that we integrated into the file counts with two different fluorescent dyes used.

**Usage**

```
case_study_all
```

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case_study_APC	<i>Case study for APC dye</i>
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**Description**

example data extracted from Aklides system. Counts with only APC fluorescent dye were merged.

**Usage**

```
case_study_APC
```

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case_study_FITC	<i>Case study for FITC dye</i>
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**Description**

example data extracted from Aklides system. Counts with only FITC fluorescent dye were merged.

**Usage**

```
case_study_FITC
```

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compare_fit	<i>Compare fits</i>
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**Description**

Compare empirical distribution of counts with the distribution defined by the model fitted to counts.

**Usage**

```
compare_fit(count_list, fitlist = fit_counts(count_list, model = "all"))
```

**Arguments**

count_list	A list of counts. Each count should be in separate column, rows should represent values of these counts.
fitlist	a list of fits, as created by <a href="#">fit_counts</a> .

**Value**

A data.frame with distribution values for each unique count. Count is the name of the original count, model is the name of distribution model, x is unique count value, n is the frequency of unique counts, value is result of calculations made by chosen distribution model.

**Examples**

```
df <- data.frame(poisson = rpois(25, 0.3), binomial = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))
compare_fit(df, fitlist = fit_counts(df, model = "all"))
```

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countfitter_gui	<i>countfitter Graphical User Interface</i>
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**Description**

Launches graphical user interface that analyses given count data and chooses the best performing distribution model.

**Usage**

```
countfitter_gui()
```

**Warning**

Any ad-blocking software may cause malfunctions.

**Author(s)**

Jaroslav Chilimoniuk, Stefan Roediger, Michal Burdukiewicz

**Examples**

```
if(interactive()) {
  countfitter_gui()
}
```

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decide	<i>Make a decision based on the BIC value</i>
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**Description**

Select the most appropriate distribution for the count data in the html-friendly format.

**Usage**

```
decide(summary_fit, separate)
```

**Arguments**

summary_fit	a result of the <a href="#">summary_fitlist</a> function.
separate	logical. If TRUE, each count is separately fitted to the model. If FALSE, all counts are fitted to the same models having the count name as the independent variable.

**See Also**[fit\\_counts](#)**Examples**

```
df <- data.frame(poisson = rpois(25, 0.3), binomial = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))
fc <- fit_counts(df, model = "all")
summ <- summary_fitlist(fc)
decide(summ, separate = FALSE)
```

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`fit_counts`*Fit counts to distributions*

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**Description**

Fit counts to distributions

**Usage**

```
fit_counts(counts_list, separate = TRUE, model, level = 0.95, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>counts_list</code>	A list of count data. Each count should be in separate column, rows should represent values of that counts.
<code>separate</code>	logical. If TRUE, each count is separately fitted to the model. If FALSE, all counts are fitted to the same models having the count name as the independent variable.
<code>model</code>	single character: "pois", "nb", "zinb", "zip", "all". If "all", all possible model are fitted.
<code>level</code>	Confidence level, default is 0.95.
<code>...</code>	Dots parameters are ignored.

**Value**

The list of fitted models. Names are names of original counts, an underline and a name of model used. `confint` is a matrix with the number of rows equal to the number of parameters. Rownames are names of parameters. The columns contain respectively lower and upper confidence intervals.

**Examples**

```
df <- data.frame(poisson = rpois(25, 0.3), binomial = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))
fit_counts(df, model = "pois")
```

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`plot_fitcmp`*plot\_fitcmp*

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**Description**

Compare empirical distribution of counts with the distribution defined by the model fitted to counts. The bar charts represent theoretical counts depending on the chosen distribution. Red dots describe the real number of counts.

**Usage**

```
plot_fitcmp(fitcmp)
```

**Arguments**

`fitcmp` You need to input data frame that is created by `compare_fit` function.

**Examples**

```
df <- data.frame(poisson = rpois(25, 0.3), binomial = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))
fitcmp <- compare_fit(df, fitlist = fit_counts(df, model = "all"))
plot_fitcmp(fitcmp)
```

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`process_counts`*Process counts*

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**Description**

Converts data in a table-like formats into lists of counts.

**Usage**

```
process_counts(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x` data.frame or matrix.

**Details**

`case_study` does not consider NAs and NaNs effectively omitting them (as per the [is.na](#) function).

**Value**

A list of counts.

**Examples**

```
data(case_study)
process_counts(case_study)
```

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select_model	<i>Select the most appropriate model</i>
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**Description**

Select the most appropriate model

**Usage**

```
select_model(fitlist)
```

**Arguments**

fitlist            a list of fits, as created by [fit\\_counts](#).

**Value**

a data.frame with two columns: count representing the name of the count and chosen model with the model with the lowest BIC.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1)
df <- data.frame(poisson1 = rpois(50, 2),
                 poisson2 = rpois(50, 5),
                 zip1 = rZIP(50, 2, 0.7),
                 zip2 = rZIP(50, 5, 0.7))
fitlist_separate <- fit_counts(df, model = c("pois", "zip"))
select_model(fitlist_separate)
```

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sim_dat	<i>Data created from simulation of NB Poiss</i>
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**Description**

Data created from simulation of NB Poiss

**Usage**

```
sim_dat
```

**Examples**

```

# code used to generate the data
# be warned: the simulations will take some time
## Not run:
library(dplyr)
set.seed(15390)
sim_dat <- do.call(rbind, lapply(10^(-3L:2), function(single_theta)
  do.call(rbind, lapply(1L:10/2, function(single_lambda)
    do.call(rbind, lapply(1L:100, function(single_rep) {

      foci <- lapply(1L:10, function(dummy) rbinom(600, size = single_theta, mu = single_lambda))
      names(foci) <- paste0("C", 1L:10)

      fit_counts(foci, separate = TRUE, model = "all") %>%
        summary_fitlist %>%
        mutate(between = single_lambda < upper & single_lambda > lower) %>%
        group_by(model) %>%
        summarize(prop = mean(between)) %>%
        mutate(replicate = single_rep, lambda = single_lambda, theta = single_theta)
    })))
  )))
))
))

## End(Not run)

```

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summary_fitlist	<i>Summary of estimates</i>
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**Description**

Counts are fitted to model(s) using the count name as the explanatory variable. Estimates are presented in the table below along with the BIC values of their models. Estimated coefficients of models (lambda for all distributions, theta for NB and ZINB, r for ZIP and ZINB).

**Usage**

```
summary_fitlist(fitlist)
```

**Arguments**

fitlist            a list of fits, as created by [fit\\_counts](#).

**Value**

Data frame with summarised results of all distribution models.

**See Also**

[fit\\_counts](#)

**Examples**

```
df <- data.frame(poisson = rpois(25, 0.3), binomial = rbinom(25, 1, 0.8))
fc <- fit_counts(df, model = "all")
summary_fitlist(fc)
```

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validate_counts	<i>Validate data</i>
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**Description**

Validates count data.

**Usage**

```
validate_counts(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    data.frame or matrix.

**Details**

Errors if x has negative values or non-numeric values, otherwise TRUE.

**Value**

An input object.

**Examples**

```
data(case_study)
process_counts(case_study)
```

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zinb	<i>Zero-inflated negative binomial distribution</i>
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**Description**

Density and random generation for the zero-inflated negative binomial distribution.

**Usage**

```
rZINB(n, size, mu, r)
```

```
dZINB(x, size, mu, r)
```

**Arguments**

n	number of random values to return.
size	target for number of successful trials, or dispersion parameter (the shape parameter of the gamma mixing distribution). Must be strictly positive, need not be integer..
mu	mean.
r	probability of excess zeros.
x	vector of (non-negative integer) quantiles.

**See Also**

Negative binomial distribution: [NegBinomial](#).

**Examples**

```
rZINB(15, 1.9, 0.9, 0.8)
```

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zip	<i>Zero-inflated Poisson distribution</i>
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**Description**

Density and random generation for the zero inflated Poisson distribution.

**Usage**

```
dZIP(x, lambda, r)
```

```
rZIP(n, lambda, r)
```

**Arguments**

x	vector of (non-negative integer) quantiles.
lambda	vector of (non-negative) means.
r	probability of excess zeros.
n	number of random values to return.

**See Also**

Poisson distribution: [Poisson](#).

**Examples**

```
rZIP(15, 1.9, 0.9)
```

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