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Weighted distributions are used in many fields, such as medicine, ecology, and reliability. A weighted version of the generalized inverse Weibull distribution, known as weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution (WGIWD), is proposed. Basic properties including mode, moments, moment generating function, skewness, kurtosis, and Shannon's entropy are studied. The usefulness of the new model was demonstrated by applying it to a real-life data set. The WGIWD fits better than its submodels, such as length biased generalized inverse Weibull (LGIW), generalized inverse Weibull (GIW), inverse Weibull (IW) and inverse exponential (IE) distributions.

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## **Introduction**

The Weibull distribution is a widely-used distribution for analyzing lifetime data. The Weibull family is a generalization of the exponential family and can model data exhibiting monotone hazard rate behavior. If the hazard function of the distribution under study is unimodal and non-monotone, then the inverse Weibull distribution can be used to analyze such data. The inverse Weibull distribution can be used to model a variety of failure characteristics such as infant mortality, useful life, and wear-out periods; see Calabria and Pulcini (1994) and Kundu and Howlader (2010). de Gusmão, Ortega, and Cordeiro (2009) proposed a three-parameter generalized inverse Weibull distribution by adding another parameter to the standard inverse Weibull distribution. Mudasir, Ahmed, and Ahmad (2015) estimated the parameters of the inverse Weibull distribution under different loss

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functions. Naqash, Ahmad, and Ahmed (2016) obtained the Bayes estimates of generalized inverse Weibull distribution.

The probability density function of generalized inverse Weibull distribution is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda\beta\alpha^\beta}{x^{\beta+1}} \exp\left(-\lambda\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right) \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \lambda > 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are called the scale and shape parameters, respectively.

The idea of weighted distributions was given by Fisher (1934) and studied by Rao (1965) in connection with modeling statistical data where the practice of using standard distributions for the purpose was not found to be appropriate. This may occur due to the non-observability of some events, damage caused to the original observation resulting in a reduced value, or adoption of a sampling procedure which gives unequal chances to the units in the original. Weighted distributions were used frequently in research related to reliability, bio-medicine, ecology, and branching processes can be seen in Patil and Rao (1978), Gupta and Kirmani (1990), Gupta and Keating (1985), and Oluyede (1999), and in references therein. Many researchers for weighted distributions, such as Shaban and Boudrissa (2007), have shown that the length-biased version of the Weibull distribution known as the Weibull Length-biased (WLB) distribution is unimodal throughout examining its shape, with other properties, Kersey (2010) introduced the weighted inverse Weibull distribution and beta-inverse Weibull distribution, and theoretical properties of them; Mudasir and Ahmad (2015) studied the structural properties of length biased Nakagami distribution. Fatima and Ahmad (2017) studied the weighted inverse Rayleigh distribution. Jan, Fatima, and Ahmad (2017) studied the weighted Ailamujia distribution and found its applications to real data sets.

If  $X$  is a non-negative random variable with density function  $f(x)$  and  $w(x)$  is a non-negative weight function with finite non-zero expectation, then the probability density function of the weighted random variable  $X_w$  is given by

$$f_w(x) = \frac{w(x)f(x)}{\mu_w}, \quad x > 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $\mu_w = E(w(x)) < \infty$ .

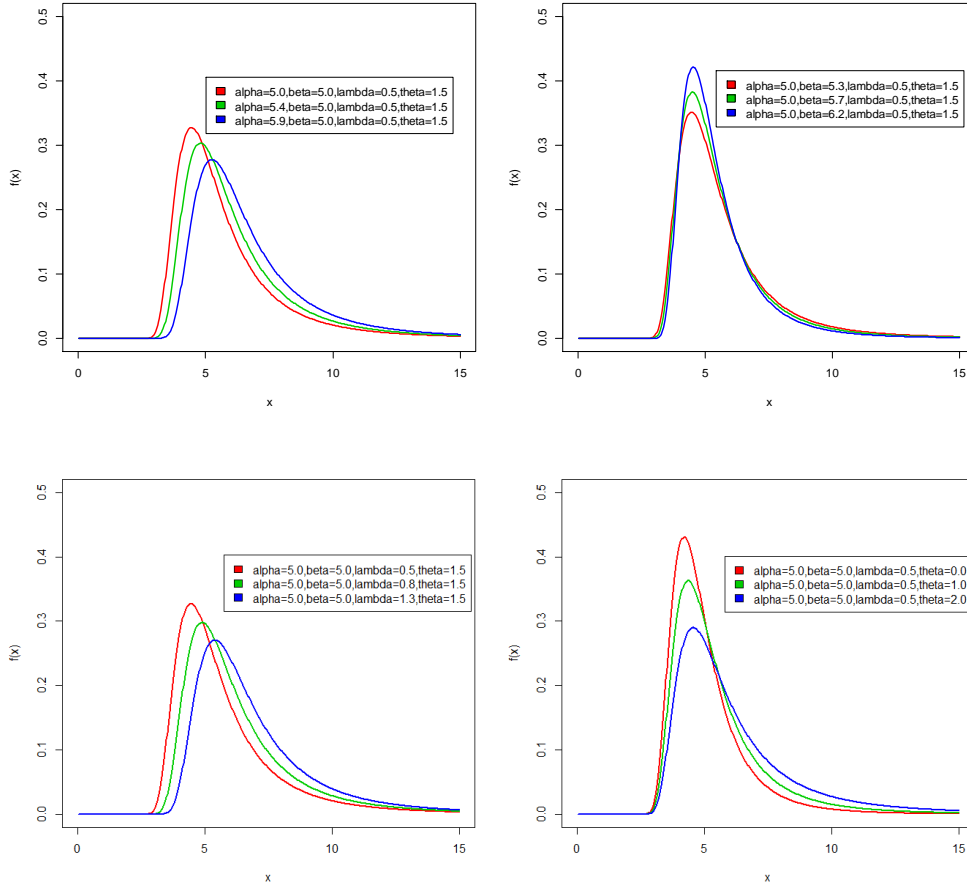
The distribution of  $X_w$  is known as the weighted distribution corresponding to  $X$ . Let

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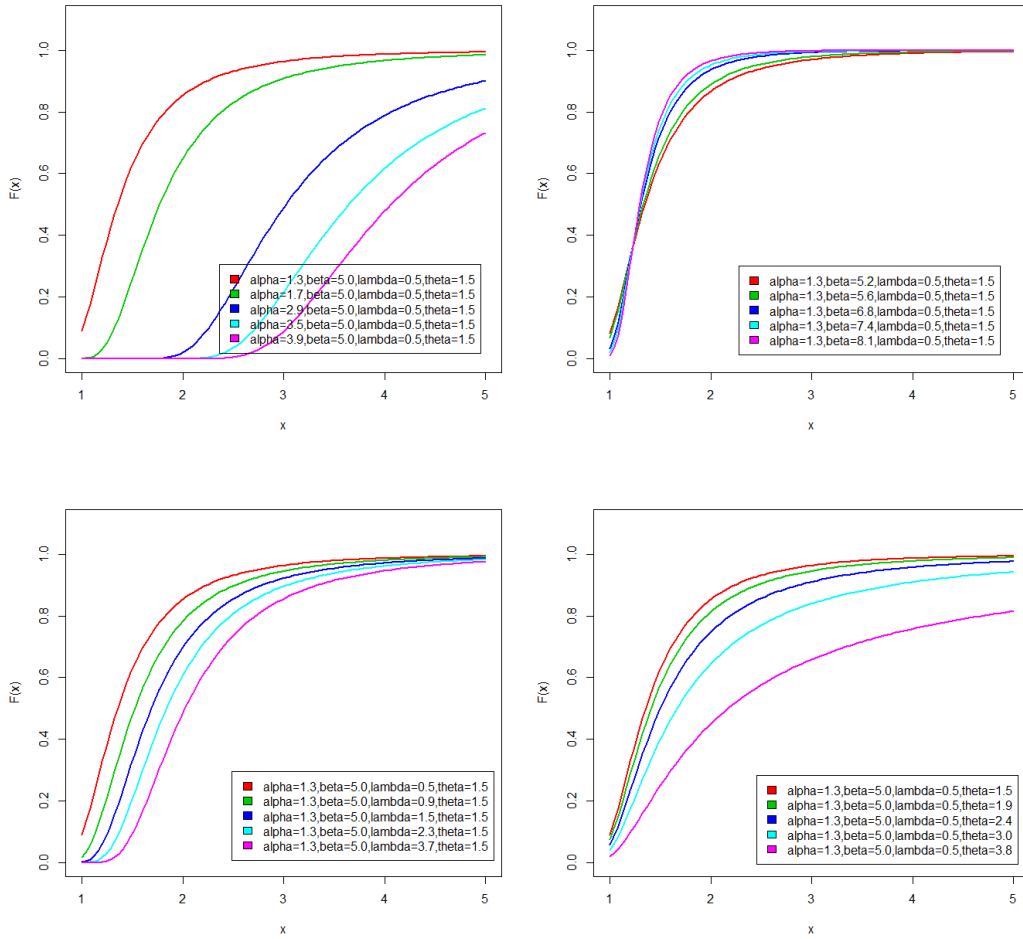
$$w(x) = x^\theta, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (3)$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_w &= \int_0^\infty w(x) f(x) dx \\ \Rightarrow \mu_w &= \lambda \beta \alpha^\beta \int_0^\infty x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right) dx \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 1.** Probability distribution function of weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution



**Figure 2.** Cumulative distribution function of weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution

By substituting  $y = \lambda(\alpha / x)^\beta$ ,

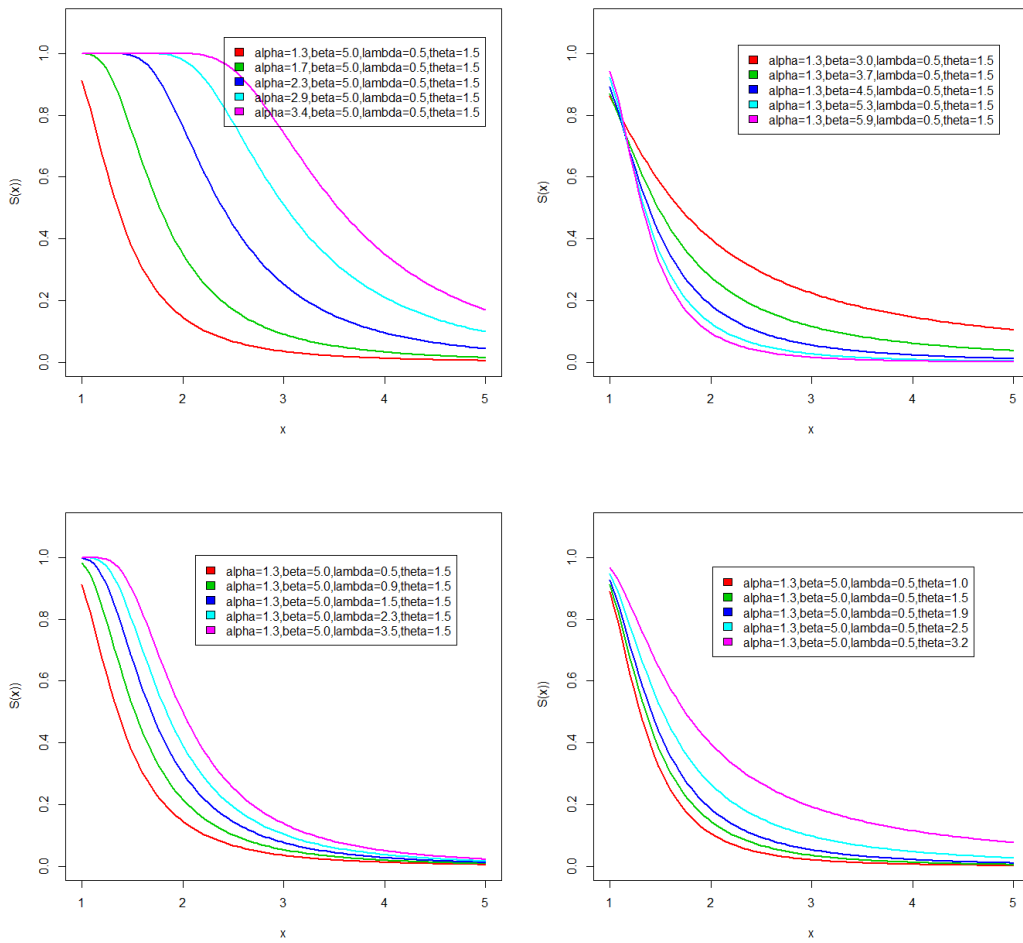
$$\mu_w = \alpha^\theta \lambda^{\frac{\theta}{\beta}} \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right). \quad (4)$$

Substituting the values of equations (1), (3), and (4) into equation (2),

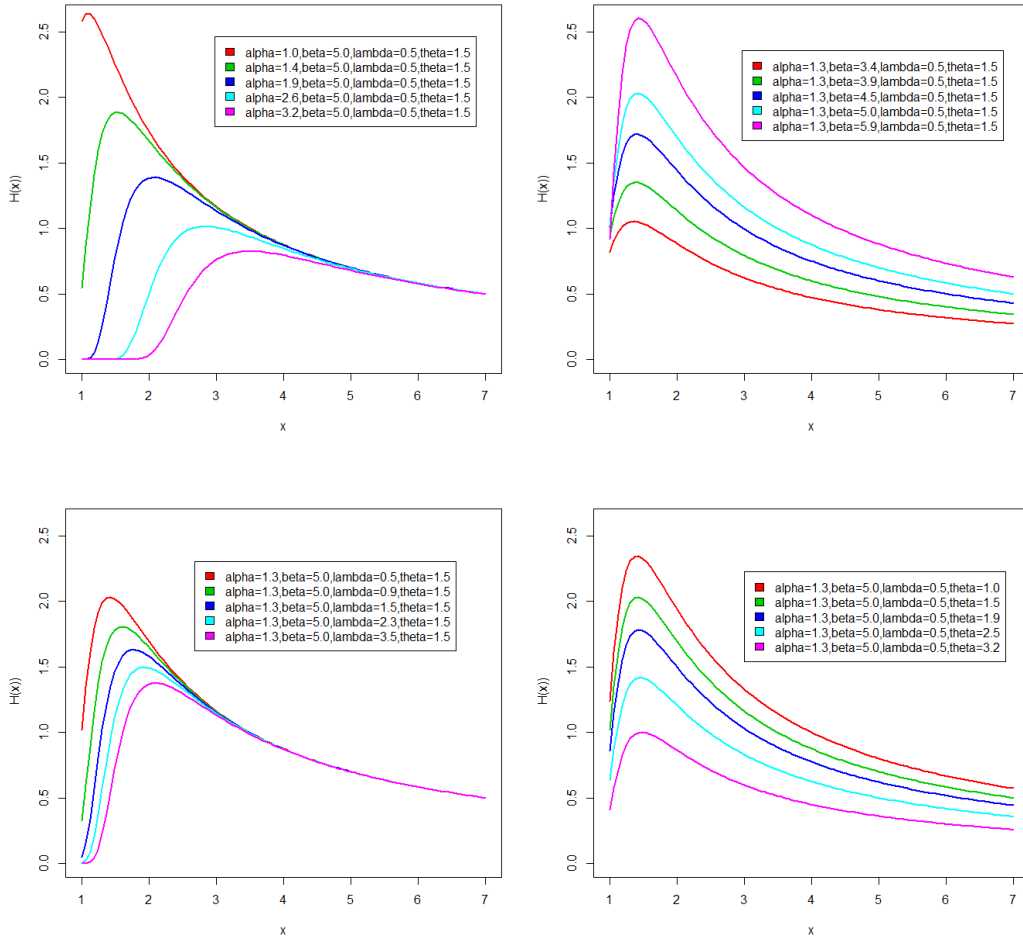
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$$f_w(x) = \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right)}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}, \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \theta, \lambda > 0. \quad (5)$$

The density function in equation (5) is the weighted version of generalized inverse Weibull distribution (WGIWD).



**Figure 3.** Survival function of the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution



**Figure 4.** Hazard rate function of the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution

The cumulative distribution function (cdf) of (5) is defined as

$$F_w(x) = \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}, \frac{\lambda \alpha^\beta}{x^\beta}\right)}{\rho_\theta},$$

where

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$$\rho_\theta = \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right).$$

The survival function of WGIWD is given by

$$S(x) = \frac{\gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2}, \frac{\lambda\alpha^\beta}{x^\beta}\right)}{\rho_\theta}.$$

The hazard rate function of WGIWD is given as

$$h(x) = \frac{\beta\alpha^{\beta-\theta}\lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}x^{\theta-\beta-1}\exp\left(-\lambda\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right)}{\gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2}, \frac{\lambda\alpha^\beta}{x^\beta}\right)}.$$

### Some Cases of WGIWD

1. If  $\theta = 1$  in (5), the length biased generalized inverse Weibull distribution is obtained with the probability density function is given as

$$f_l(x) = \frac{\beta\alpha^{\beta-1}\lambda^{1-\frac{1}{\beta}}x^\beta\exp\left(-\lambda\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right)}{\rho_\theta}, \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \lambda > 0.$$

2. If  $\theta = 0$  in (5), the generalized inverse Weibull distribution given in (1) is obtained.
3. If  $\theta = 0, \lambda = 1$  in (5), the inverse Weibull distribution is obtained with the probability density function given as

$$f(x) = \beta\alpha^\beta x^{-\beta-1}\exp\left(-\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right), \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta > 0.$$



4. If  $\theta = 0, \lambda = \beta = 1$  in (5), the inverse exponential distribution is obtained with the probability density function given as

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{x^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha}{x}\right), \quad x > 0; \alpha > 0.$$

### Limits of WGIWD

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f_w(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right)}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_w(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right)}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^\beta\right) = \infty \end{aligned}$$

### Mode of WGIWD

The mode of WGIWD is obtained by finding the first derivative of  $\log(f_w(x))$  with respect to  $x$  and equating to zero, i.e.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log(f_w(x)) = 0.$$

Therefore, the mode at  $x = x_0$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \log \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp \left( -\lambda \left( \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^\beta \right)}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)} \right) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^\beta &= \frac{\beta \lambda \alpha^\beta}{\beta - \theta + 1} \\ \Rightarrow x_0 &= \alpha \left( \frac{\beta \lambda}{\beta - \theta + 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \end{aligned}$$

### Moments and Moment Generating Function of WGIWD

The  $r^{\text{th}}$  moment about origin and the moment generating function are derived as follows:

**Theorem 1.** If a random variable  $X$  has the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution, then the  $r^{\text{th}}$  moment about origin is

$$\mu'_r = \left( \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right)^r \frac{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta + r}{\beta} \right)}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)}.$$

**Proof.** The  $r^{\text{th}}$  moment of weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution about the origin is obtained as

$$\mu'_r = \int_0^\infty x^r f_w(x) dx. \quad (6)$$

Using equation (5) in equation (6),

$$\mu'_r = \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)} \int_0^\infty x^{r+\theta-\beta-1} \exp \left( -\lambda \left( \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^\beta \right) dx$$

Put

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \lambda \left( \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^\beta \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{\alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}}}{y^{\frac{1}{\beta}}} \\ \Rightarrow dx &= -\frac{dy}{\beta \lambda \alpha^\beta x^{-\beta-1}} \end{aligned}$$

As  $x \rightarrow 0, y \rightarrow \infty$  and as  $x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu'_r &= \frac{\alpha^r \lambda^{\frac{r}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \int_0^\infty y^{\frac{-r-\theta}{\beta}} \exp(-y) dy \\ \Rightarrow \mu'_r &= \left(\alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}}\right)^r \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta+r}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

This proves the theorem.

**Corollary.** If  $r = 1$  is inserted in equation (7), the mean of the WGIWD is obtained, which is given by

$$\mu'_1 = \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \frac{\rho_{\theta+1}}{\rho_\theta}. \quad (8)$$

If  $r = 2$  in equation (7),

$$\mu'_2 = \alpha^2 \lambda^{\frac{2}{\beta}} \frac{\rho_{\theta+2}}{\rho_\theta}. \quad (9)$$

The variance is given by

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$$\mu_2 = \frac{\alpha^2 \lambda^{\frac{2}{\beta}}}{\rho_\theta} \left( \rho_{\theta+2} - \frac{\rho_{\theta+1}^2}{\rho_\theta} \right) = \sigma^2. \quad (10)$$

If  $r = 3$  in equation (7),

$$\mu'_3 = \alpha^3 \lambda^{\frac{3}{\beta}} \frac{\rho_{\theta+3}}{\rho_\theta}, \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 &= \mu'_3 - 3\mu'_2\mu'_1 + 2\mu_1'^3 \\ \Rightarrow \mu_3 &= \frac{\alpha^3 \lambda^{\frac{3}{\beta}}}{\rho_\theta^3} \left( \rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+3} - 3\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+2} + 2\rho_{\theta+1}^3 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

If  $r = 4$  in equation (7),

$$\mu'_4 = \alpha^4 \lambda^{\frac{4}{\beta}} \frac{\rho_{\theta+4}}{\rho_\theta}, \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_4 &= \mu'_4 - 4\mu'_3\mu'_1 + 6\mu'_2\mu_1'^2 - 3\mu_1'^4 \\ \Rightarrow \mu_4 &= \frac{\alpha^4 \lambda^{\frac{4}{\beta}}}{\rho_\theta^4} \left( \rho_\theta^3 \rho_{\theta+4} - 4\rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+3} + 6\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1}^2 \rho_{\theta+2} - 3\rho_{\theta+1}^4 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where

$$\rho_s = \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{s}{\beta}\right)$$

**Theorem 2.** If a random variable  $X$  follows the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution, then the moment generating function, denoted by  $M_X(t)$ , is given by

$$M_X(t) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^r}{r!} \left( \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right)^r \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta+r}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}.$$

**Proof.** By definition,

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_X(t) &= E(e^{tx}) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} f_w(x) dx \\
 \Rightarrow M_X(t) &= \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tx)^r}{r!} f_w(x) dx \\
 \Rightarrow M_X(t) &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(t)^r}{r!} \mu'_r \\
 \Rightarrow M_X(t) &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^r}{r!} \left( \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right)^r \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta + r}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem.

## Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation

By using the value of equation (10),

$$\sigma = \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\rho_{\theta}} \left( \rho_{\theta+2} - \frac{\rho_{\theta+1}^2}{\rho_{\theta}} \right)}. \quad (15)$$

The coefficient of variation is defined as the ratio of the standard deviation to the mean. Usually, it is denoted by  $C.V$  and is given by

$$C.V = \frac{\sigma}{\mu}. \quad (16)$$

By using the value of equations (15) and (8) in equation (16),

$$C.V = \frac{\sqrt{\left( \rho_{\theta} \rho_{\theta+2} - \rho_{\theta+1}^2 \right)}}{\rho_{\theta+1}}.$$

### Skewness and Kurtosis

Skewness in terms of moments of frequency distribution is given by

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\mu_3^2}{\mu_2^3}. \quad (17)$$

By substituting the value of equations (10) and (12) in equation (17),

$$\beta_1 = \frac{(\rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+3} - 3\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+2} + 2\rho_{\theta+1}^3)^2}{(\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+2} - \rho_{\theta+1}^2)^3},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 &= \sqrt{\beta_1} \\ \Rightarrow \gamma_1 &= \frac{(\rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+3} - 3\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+2} + 2\rho_{\theta+1}^3)}{(\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+2} - \rho_{\theta+1}^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \end{aligned}$$

Kurtosis is given by

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_2^2}. \quad (18)$$

By substituting the value of equations (10) and (14) in equation (18),

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\rho_\theta^3 \rho_{\theta+4} - 4\rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+3} + 6\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1}^2 \rho_{\theta+2} - 3\rho_{\theta+1}^4}{(\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+2} - \rho_{\theta+1}^2)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_2 &= \beta_2 - 3 \\ \Rightarrow \gamma_2 &= \frac{\rho_\theta^3 \rho_{\theta+4} - 4\rho_\theta^2 \rho_{\theta+1} \rho_{\theta+3} + 6\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+1}^2 \rho_{\theta+2} - 3\rho_{\theta+1}^4}{(\rho_\theta \rho_{\theta+2} - \rho_{\theta+1}^2)^2} - 3 \end{aligned}$$

**Table 1.** Mean, variance, mode, harmonic mean (HM), standard deviation (STD), coefficient of variation (CV), coefficient of skewness (CS), and coefficient of kurtosis (CK)

$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\theta$	Mean	Variance	Mode	HM	STD	CV	CS	CK
1	5	1	0	1.16423	0.13376	0.96419	0.85893	0.36573	0.31414	3.53507	48.09151
2	12	5	1	2.44575	4.92882	2.28705	2.13866	2.22009	0.90773	1.87428	10.48306
3	13	6	2	3.70396	12.76274	3.46459	3.20104	3.57249	0.96450	1.92437	10.83551
4	14	7	3	4.96756	23.85802	4.64735	4.25309	4.88446	0.98327	1.97100	11.16541
5	15	8	4	6.23065	38.17854	5.82957	5.29441	6.17887	0.99168	2.01433	11.47340
7	16	10	5	8.79611	77.22640	8.23013	7.42856	8.78785	0.99906	2.05455	11.76039
9	17	13	6	11.41719	130.87461	10.68234	9.59351	11.44004	1.00200	2.09187	12.02751
11	18	14	7	13.92412	195.18381	13.02714	11.65105	13.97082	1.00335	2.12650	12.27595
13	20	16	8	16.20590	264.23568	15.25821	13.76022	16.25532	1.00304	2.06380	11.57867
15	22	18	9	18.44890	342.21604	17.46109	15.86089	18.49908	1.00271	2.01321	11.04287

### Harmonic Mean of WGIWD

The harmonic mean is usually denoted by  $H$  and is given as

$$\frac{1}{H} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} f_w(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\theta - 1}{\beta}\right)}$$

### Shannon's Entropy of the WGIWD

The concept of Shannon's entropy is the central role of information theory. For a random variable entropy is defined in terms of its probability distribution and is a good measure of uncertainty. If  $X$  is a non-negative continuous random variable with the probability density function  $f(x)$ , then the Shannon's entropy of  $X$  is defined as

$$H(f(x)) = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \log f(x) dx \tag{19}$$

$$= E(-\log(f(x)))$$

provided the integral exists.

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**Theorem 3.** If the random variable  $X$  has a weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution with the probability density function defined in (5), then the Shannon's entropy of WGIWD is

$$H(f_w(x)) = \frac{1}{\beta} \log \lambda + \log \left( \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right) + \log \left( \Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right) \right) + \left( \frac{\theta - \beta - 1}{\beta} \right) \psi \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right) - \frac{\theta}{\beta} + 1,$$

where

$$\psi(\theta + \lambda) = \frac{\Gamma' \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)}.$$

**Proof.** Shannon's entropy is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} H(f_w(x)) &= E(-\log(f_w(x))) \\ &= E \left( -\log \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp \left( -\lambda \left( \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^\beta \right)}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)} \right) \right) \\ &= -\log \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right)} \right) - (\theta - \beta - 1) E(\log x) + \lambda \alpha^\beta E(x^{-\beta}) \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

From equation (7),

$$E(x^{-\beta}) = \left( \alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right)^{-\beta} \left( 1 - \frac{\theta}{\beta} \right). \quad (21)$$

$$E(\log x) = \int_0^{\infty} \log(x) f_w(x) dx$$



$$= \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \int_0^{\infty} \log(x) x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^{\beta}\right) dx$$

By substituting  $y = \lambda(\alpha/x)^{\beta}$ ,

$$E(\log x) = \frac{1}{\beta} \log \lambda + \log(\alpha) - \left(\frac{1}{\beta}\right) \psi\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right). \quad (22)$$

Substituting the value of equations (21), (22) in equation (20),

$$\begin{aligned} H(f_w(x)) &= -\log\left(\frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}\right) - (\theta - \beta - 1) \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \log \lambda + \log(\alpha) - \left(\frac{1}{\beta}\right) \psi\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)\right) \\ &\quad + \lambda \alpha^{\beta} \left(\alpha \lambda^{\frac{1}{\beta}}\right)^{-\beta} \left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta} \log \lambda + \log\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) + \log\left(\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)\right) + \left(\frac{\theta - \beta - 1}{\beta}\right) \psi\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right) - \frac{\theta}{\beta} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem.

## Entropy Estimation

The probability density function of weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution is

$$f_w(x) = \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}} x^{\theta-\beta-1} \exp\left(-\lambda\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)^{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)}, \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \theta, \lambda > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log(L) &= n \log \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \right) + (\theta - \beta - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \lambda \alpha^{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{-\beta} \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{\log(L)}{n} &= -\log \left( \frac{\beta \alpha^{\beta-\theta} \lambda^{1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}}}{\Gamma\left(1-\frac{\theta}{\beta}\right)} \right) - (\theta - \beta - 1) E(\log x) + \lambda \alpha^{\beta} E(x^{-\beta}) \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

On comparing equations (20) and (23),

$$\hat{H}(f_w(x)) = -\frac{\log(L)}{n}. \quad (24)$$

### Akaike and Bayesian Information Criterion

For comparing different models, use the concept of Akaike information criterion (AIC) and Bayesian information criterion (BIC). The model which has the smallest values of AIC and BIC is considered the best model. Suppose there is a statistical model of some data set. Let  $L$  be the maximized value of the likelihood function for the model. Let  $K$  be the number of estimated parameters in the model. Then AIC and BIC of the model are given by

$$\text{AIC} = 2K - 2\log(L), \quad (25)$$

$$\text{BIC} = K \log(n) - 2\log(L), \quad (26)$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations or equivalently the sample size.

From equation (24),

$$\log(L) = -n \hat{H}(f_w(x))$$

Then, for the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution,

$$AIC = 2K + 2n\hat{H}(f_w(x))$$

$$BIC = K \log(n) + 2n\hat{H}(f_w(x))$$

**Example: Real-Life Data**

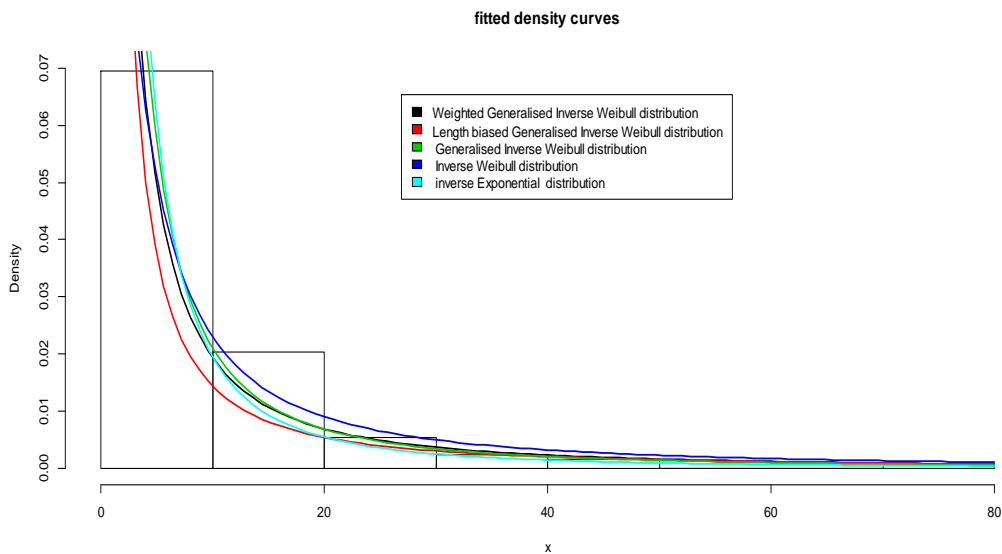
Consider a real-life data set to establish the superiority of WGIWD over other distributions. The data set, given by Lee and Wang (2003), represents remission times (in months) of a random sample of 128 bladder cancer patients. For establishing the superiority of WGIWD, the calculated values of AIC and BIC are presented in Table 2 for the following data: 0.08, 2.09, 3.48, 4.87, 6.94, 8.66, 13.11, 23.63, 0.20, 2.23, 3.52, 4.98, 6.97, 9.02, 13.29, 0.40, 2.26, 3.57, 5.06, 7.09, 9.22, 13.80, 25.74, 0.50, 2.46, 3.64, 5.09, 7.26, 9.47, 14.24, 25.82, 0.51, 2.54, 3.70, 5.17, 7.28, 9.74, 14.76, 26.31, 0.81, 2.62, 3.82, 5.32, 7.32, 10.06, 14.77, 32.15, 2.64, 3.88, 5.32, 7.39, 10.34, 14.83, 34.26, 0.90, 2.69, 4.18, 5.34, 7.59, 10.66, 15.96, 36.66, 1.05, 2.69, 4.23, 5.41, 7.62, 10.75, 16.62, 43.01, 1.19, 2.75, 4.26, 5.41, 7.63, 17.12, 46.12, 1.26, 2.83, 4.33, 5.49, 7.66, 11.25, 17.14, 79.05, 1.35, 2.87, 5.62, 7.87, 11.64, 17.36, 1.40, 3.02, 4.34, 5.71, 7.93, 11.79, 18.10, 1.46, 4.40, 5.85, 8.26, 11.98, 19.13, 1.76, 3.25, 4.50, 6.25, 8.37, 12.02, 2.02, 3.31, 4.51, 6.54, 8.53, 12.03, 20.28, 2.02, 3.36, 6.76, 12.07, 21.73, 2.07, 3.36, 6.93, 8.65, 12.63, 22.69.

From Table 2, the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution has the smallest AIC and BIC values as compared to other models. It may be concluded the weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution provided the best fit to this specific data set. The histogram for the above data set and estimated densities of WGIWD, LGIWD, GIWD, IWD and IED have been plotted in Figure 5.

**Table 2.** AIC, BIC for different models

Model	Estimates				-2log l	Shannon's entropy	AIC	BIC
	Alpha	Beta	Lambda	Theta				
WGIWD	1.0522	0.7767	1.8851	0.0929	888.3770	3.4700	896.3770	896.8060
LGIWD	2.5031	1.4185	0.1410	-	957.4330	3.7400	963.4330	963.7550
GIWD	0.0738	0.8409	22.0745	-	891.7850	3.4830	897.7850	904.4280
IWD	4.9649	0.6894	-	-	898.5740	3.5100	902.5740	907.0020
IED	2.4847	-	-	-	920.7650	3.5970	922.7650	924.9760

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**Figure 5.** Plots for the histogram and estimated densities

## Conclusion

The weighted version of generalized inverse Weibull distribution, known as weighted generalized inverse Weibull distribution (WGIWD), was introduced. The new model was compared with other sub-models by using real life data set and it was concluded the new model provides the best fit for a specific data set as compared with other models.

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