



The zero truncated Poisson Burr X family of distributions with properties, characterizations, applications, and validation test



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Abstract

The goal of this work is to introduce a new family of continuous distributions with a strong physical applications. Some statistical properties are derived, and certain useful characterizations of the proposed family of distributions are presented. Five applications are provided to illustrate the importance of the new family. A modified goodness-of-fit test for the new family in complete data case are investigated via two examples. We propose, as a first step, the construction of Nikulin-Rao-Robson statistic based on chi-squared fit tests for the new family in the case of complete data. The new test is based on the Nikulin-Rao-Robson statistic separately proposed by [M. S. Nikulin, Theory Probab. Appl., 18 (1974), 559–568] and [K. C. Rao, B. S. Robson, Comm. Statist., 3 (1974), 1139–1153]. As a second step, an application to real data has been proposed to show the applicability of the proposed test.

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1. Introduction and physical motivation

In this paper we propose and study a new family of distributions using the zero truncated Poisson (ZTP) distribution with a strong physical motivation. Suppose that a system has N subsystems functioning independently at a given time where N has ZTP distribution with parameter λ . It is the conditional

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probability distribution of a Poisson-distributed random variable (r.v.), given that the value of the r.v. is not zero. The probability mass function (PMF) of N is given by

$$\text{PMF}_{\text{ZTP}}^{(\lambda)}(N = n) = [\exp(-\lambda)\lambda^n] / \{n! [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]\}_{(n=1,2,\dots)}$$

Note that for ZTP r.v., the expected value $E(N|\lambda)$ and variance $\text{Var}(N|\lambda)$ are, respectively, given by

$$E(N|\lambda) = \lambda / [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1], \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}(N|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda + \lambda^2}{[-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]} - \frac{\lambda^2}{[-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]^2}.$$

Suppose that the failure time of each subsystem has the Burr X generator (“BrX-G(θ, φ)” for short) defined by the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and probability density function (PDF) given by

$$H_{\text{BrX-G}}^{(\theta, \varphi)}(x) = \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^\theta, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$h_{\text{BrX-G}}^{(\theta, \varphi)}(x) = 2\theta g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x) [\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)]^{-3} \times \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^{\theta-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

respectively, where $\theta > 0$ is a shape parameters, φ is the parameter vector and $1 - G^{(\varphi)}(x) = \overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)$. Let Y_i denote the failure time of the i th subsystem and let $X = \min\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N\}$. Then the conditional CDF of X given N is

$$F(x | N) = 1 - \Pr(X > x | N) = 1 - [1 - H_{\text{BrX-G}}^{(\theta, \varphi)}(x)]^N.$$

Therefore, the unconditional CDF of the ZTPBrX-G density function, can be expressed as

$$F_{\text{ZTPBrX-G}}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]^{-1} \left[1 - \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^\theta \right) \right], \quad (1.1)$$

with the corresponding PDF as

$$f_{\text{ZTPBrX-G}}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = 2\theta\lambda [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]^{-1} g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x) [\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)]^{-3} \times \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^\theta \right) \times \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^{\theta-1}. \quad (1.2)$$

Some useful new families can be cited as mentioned in the parentheses (see [8, 9, 13, 18, 19, 23, 27, 38–41]). It is not shown Which of them is this. among others).

This article is organized as follows. Some special submodels are presented in Section 2. In Section 3, we derive some of the mathematical properties of the new family. Some useful Characterizations results are presented in Section 4. Maximum likelihood estimation for the model parameters under uncensored data is addressed in Section 5. In Sections 6 and 7, the potentiality of the proposed family is illustrated by means of five real data sets. A modified goodness-of-fit test for the new family in complete data case is presented in Section 8. Finally, Section 9 provides some concluding remarks.

2. Special ZTPBrX-G submodels

2.1. The ZTPBrX-Weibull (ZTPBrXW) distribution

Consider the CDF and PDF (for $x > 0$)

$$G_W^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x) = \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} \text{ and } g_W^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x) = \beta \alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right],$$

respectively, of the Weibull distribution with positive parameters α and β . Then, the PDF of the ZTPBrXW model will be obtained directly via insrtng $G_W^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)$ and $g_W^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)$ into (1.1) and (1.2) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f_{ZTPBrXW}^{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}(x) &= 2\theta\lambda\beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]^{-1} \exp \left[2(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \\ &\times \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-\left\{ \exp \left[(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} - 1 \right] \right\}^\theta \right) \\ &\times \exp \left[-\left\{ \exp \left[(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} - 1 \right] \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-\left\{ \exp \left[(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} - 1 \right] \right\}^{\theta-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The ZTPBrXW distribution includes the ZTPBrX-Rayleigh (ZTPBrXR) distribution when $\beta = 2$. For $\beta = 1$, we have the ZTPBrX-exponential (ZTPBrXE) distribution. The plots of the ZTPBrXW density for selected parameter values are displayed in Figure 1. From Figure 1 we note that the ZTPBrXW model will be suitable for modeling symmetric, right skewed, left skewed and unimodal data sets. The HRF of the ZTPBrXW may have the increasing, decreasing and bathtub shapes.

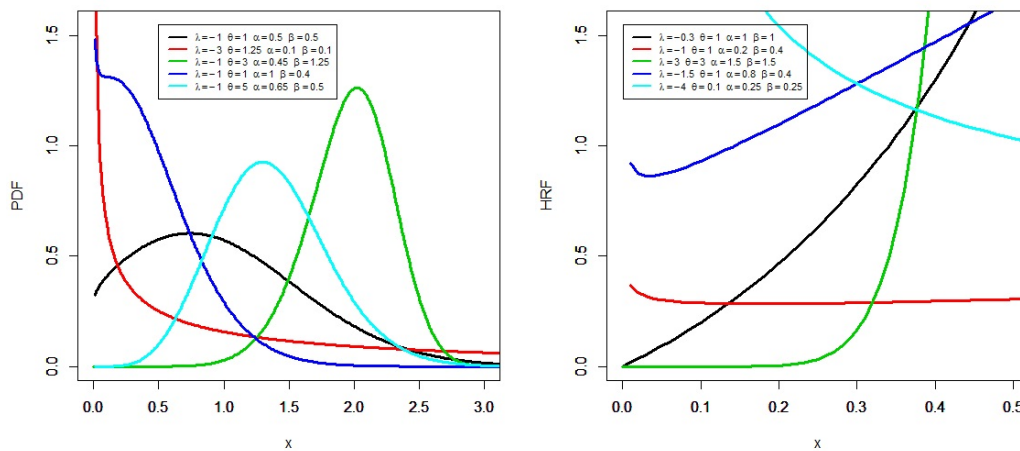


Figure 1: PDF and HRF plots for the ZTPBrXW model.

2.2. The ZTPBrX-Lomax (ZTPBrXLx) distribution

The CDF and PDF (for $x > 0$) of the Lx distribution with positive parameters α and β are

$$G_{Lx}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x) = 1 - [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^{-\alpha} \text{ and } g_{Lx}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x) = \alpha\beta^{-1} [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^{-\alpha-1},$$

respectively. Then, the PDF of the ZTPBrXLx model will be obtained directly via inserting $G_{Lx}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)$ and $g_{Lx}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)$ into (1.1) and (1.2) to obtain

$$f_{ZTPBrXLx}^{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}(x) = 2\theta\lambda\alpha\beta^{-1} [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]^{-1} [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^{2\alpha-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\times \left[1 - \exp \left(- \left\{ [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^\alpha - 1 \right\}^2 \right) \right]^{\theta-1} \\ &\times \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left(- \left\{ [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^\alpha - 1 \right\}^2 \right) \right\}^\theta \right) \\ &\times \left\{ 1 - [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^{-\alpha} \right\} \exp \left(- \left\{ [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^\alpha - 1 \right\}^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

The plots of the ZTPBrXLx density are displayed in Figure 2 for selected parameter values. From Figure 2, we conclude that the ZTPBrXLx model will be suitable for various shaped data sets. The HRF of the ZTPBrXLx may have the decreasing, increasing, and unimodal shapes.

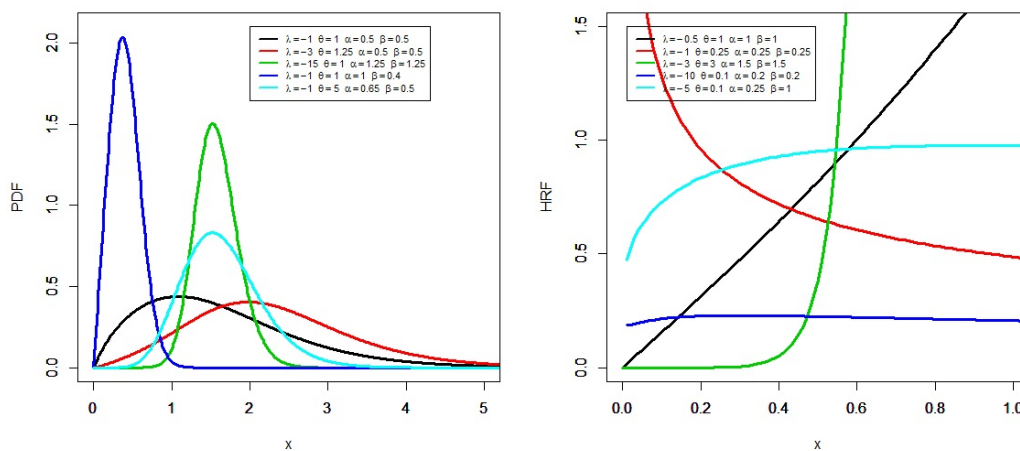


Figure 2: PDF and HRF plots for the ZTPBrXLx model.

3. Mathematical properties

3.1. Useful expansions

Using the power series

$$\exp(\zeta) = \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \frac{\zeta^q}{q!}, \zeta \in \mathfrak{R},$$

the PDF in (1.2) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} f_{ZTPBrXLx-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) &= \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{2\theta\lambda^{1+h} (-1)^h}{h! [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]} \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\prime)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \\ &\times \frac{g^{(\varphi)}(x)G^{(\prime)}(x)}{[\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)]^3} \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\prime)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^{\theta(h+1)-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

If $|s| < 1$ and $c > 0$ is a real non-integer, the following power series holds

$$(1-s)^{c-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i \Gamma(c)}{i! \Gamma(c-i)} s^i. \tag{3.2}$$

Applying (3.2) to (3.1) we have

$$f_{ZTPBrX-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = \frac{2\theta g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\prime)}(x)}{[-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]} \left[\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^{-3} \times \sum_{h,i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{1+h} (-1)^{h+i} \Gamma(\theta(h+1))}{i! \Gamma(\theta(h+1) - i)} \exp \left[-(i+1) \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right]. \tag{3.3}$$

Applying the power series to the term $\exp \left[-(i+1) \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right]$, equation (3.3) becomes

$$f_{ZTPBrX-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = \sum_{h,i,j=0}^{\infty} \frac{2\theta \lambda^{1+h} (-1)^{h+i+j} (i+1)^j \Gamma(\theta(h+1))}{i! j! (1 - e^{-\lambda}) \Gamma(\theta(h+1) - i)} \frac{g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x)^{2j+1}}{\left[\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^{2j+3}}. \tag{3.4}$$

Consider the series expansion

$$(1 - \zeta)^{-c} \quad (|\zeta| < 1, c > 0) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(c+k)}{k! \Gamma(c)} \zeta^k. \tag{3.5}$$

Applying the expansion in (3.5) to (3.4) for the term $\left[\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^{2j+3}$, equation (3.4) becomes

$$f_{ZTPBrX-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = \sum_{h,i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2\theta \lambda^{1+h} (-1)^{h+i+j} (i+1)^j [2(1+j) + k]}{i! j! k! [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1] [2(1+j) + k]} \times \frac{\Gamma(\theta(h+1)) \Gamma(3+2j+k)}{\Gamma(\theta(h+1) - i) \Gamma(2j+3)} g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\prime)}(x)^{2j+k+1}.$$

This can be written as

$$f_{ZTPBrX-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} \pi_{2(1+j)+k}(x; \varphi), \tag{3.6}$$

where

$$v_{j,k} = \frac{2\theta \lambda^{1+h} (-1)^j \Gamma(3+2j+k)}{j! k! [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1] \Gamma(2j+3) [2(1+j) + k]} \sum_{h,i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{h+i} \Gamma(\theta(h+1)) (i+1)^j}{i! \Gamma(\theta(h+1) - i)},$$

and

$$\pi_{2(1+j)+k}(x; \varphi) = [2(1+j) + k] g^{(\varphi)}(x) \left[G^{(\prime)}(x) \right]^{2j+k+1},$$

which is the PDF of the exp-G family with power parameter $2(1+j) + k$. Equation (3.6) reveals that the density of X can be expressed as a linear mixture of exp-G densities. So, several mathematical properties of the new family can be obtained from those of the exp-G distribution. Similarly, the CDF of the ZTPBrX-G family can also be expressed as a mixture of exp-G CDFs given by

$$F_{ZTPBrX-G}^{(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)}(x) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} \Pi_{2(1+j)+k}(x; \varphi),$$

where $\Pi_{2(1+j)+k}(x; \varphi)$ is the CDF of the exp-G family with power parameter $2(1+j) + k$.

3.2. Quantile and random number generation

The quantile function (QF) of X, where $X \sim ZTPBrX-G(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)$, is obtained by inverting (1.1) as

$$Q(u) = G^{-1} \left(1 + \left\{ -\ln \left[1 - \left(\frac{-\ln \{1 - u [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1]\}}{\lambda} \right)^{\frac{1}{\theta}} \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \right), 0 \leq u \leq 1.$$

Simulating the ZTPBrX-G r.v. is straightforward. If U is a uniform variate on the unit interval (0, 1), then

the r.v. $X = Q(U)$ follows (1.2).

3.3. Quantile spread ordering

The quantile spread (QS) of the r.v. $Z \sim \text{ZTPBrX-G}(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)$ having CDF (1.1) is given by

$$QS_X(\mathbf{1}) = \{ [F^{-1}(\mathbf{1})] - [F^{-1}(1 - \mathbf{1})] \} |_{(\mathbf{1} \in (0.5, 1))},$$

which also implies that

$$QS_X(\mathbf{1}) = [S^{-1}(1 - \mathbf{1})] - [S^{-1}(\mathbf{1})],$$

where

$$F^{-1}(\mathbf{1}) = S^{-1}(1 - \mathbf{1}) \text{ and } S(z) = 1 - F(z),$$

is the survival function (SF). The QS of a distribution describes how the probability mass is placed symmetrically about its median and hence can be used to formalize concepts such as peakedness and tail weight traditionally associated with kurtosis. So, it allows us to separate concepts of kurtosis and peakedness for asymmetric models. Let Z_1 and Z_2 be two random variables following the ZTPBrX-G(λ, θ, φ) with quantile spreads QS_{Z_1} and QS_{Z_2} , respectively. Then Z_1 is called smaller than Z_2 in quantile spread order, denoted by $Z_1 \leq_{QS} Z_2$, if

$$QS_{Z_1}(\mathbf{1}) \leq QS_{Z_2}(\mathbf{1}) |_{(\mathbf{1} \in (0.5, 1))}.$$

The following properties of the QS order can be obtained:

1. if Z_1 and Z_2 have the same distribution then

$$QS_{Z_1} = QS_{Z_2};$$

2. the order \leq_{QS} is location-free

$$Z_1 \leq_{QS} Z_2 \text{ if } [(Z_1 + C) \leq_{QS} Z_2] |_{(C \in \mathbb{R}^+)};$$

3. the order \leq_{QS} is dilative

$$Z_1 \leq_{QS} CZ_1 \text{ whenever } C \geq 1 \text{ and } Z_2 \leq_{QS} CZ_2 |_{(C \geq 1)};$$

4. let F_{Z_1} and F_{Z_2} be symmetric, then

$$Z_1 \leq_{QS} Z_2 \text{ if and only if } F_{Z_1}^{-1}(\mathbf{1}) \leq F_{Z_2}^{-1}(\mathbf{1}) |_{(\mathbf{1} \in (0.5, 1))};$$

5. the order \leq_{QS} implies ordering of the mean absolute deviation around the median, say $\mathbf{MAD}(Z_i) |_{(i=1,2)}$,

$$E [|Z_1 - \text{Median}(Z_1)|] = \mathbf{MAD}(Z_1)$$

and

$$E [|Z_2 - \text{Median}(Z_2)|] = \mathbf{MAD}(Z_2),$$

where

$$Z_1 \leq_{QS} Z_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{MAD}(Z_1) \leq_{QS} \mathbf{MAD}(Z_2).$$

Finally

$$Z_1 \leq_{QS} Z_2 \text{ if and only if } -Z_1 \leq_{QS} -Z_2.$$

3.4. Moments

Let $Y_{2(1+j)+k}$ be a r.v. having density $\pi_{2(1+j)+k}(x; \varphi)$. The r th ordinary moment of X , say μ'_r , follows from (3.6) as

$$\mu'_r = E(X^r) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} E(Y_{2(1+j)+k}^r), \tag{3.7}$$

where

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_\zeta^r) = \zeta \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x)^{\zeta-1} dx,$$

can be evaluated numerically in terms of the baseline qf $Q_G(u) = G^{-1}(u)$ as

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_\zeta^r) = \zeta \int_0^1 u^{\zeta-1} [Q_G(u)]^r du.$$

Setting $r = 1$ in (3.7) gives the mean of X . For the ZTPBrXW model we have

$$\mu'_r = \mathbf{E}(X^r) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} \mathbf{E}\left(Y_{2(1+j)+k}^r\right) = \sum_{j,k,h=0}^{\infty} \tau_{j,k,h}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}} \alpha^r \Gamma(1+r\beta^{-1})|_{(r>-\beta)},$$

where

$$\tau_{j,k,h}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}} = v_{j,k} \tau_h^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}},$$

and

$$\tau_m^{\{1+\zeta,s\}} = \frac{(1+\zeta)(-1)^m}{(1+m)^{(1+\frac{s}{\beta})}} \binom{\zeta}{m}.$$

3.5. Incomplete moments

The r th incomplete moment of X is defined by $m_r(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y x^r f(x) dx$. We can write from (3.6)

$$m_r(y) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} m_{r,2(1+j)+k}(y),$$

where

$$m_{r,\alpha}(y) = \int_0^{G(y)} u^{\alpha-1} [Q_G(u)]^r du.$$

The integral $m_{r,\alpha}(y)$ can be determined analytically for special models with closed-form expressions for $Q_G(u)$ or computed at least numerically for most baseline distributions. Two important applications of the first incomplete moment are related to the mean deviations about the mean and median and to the Bonferroni and Lorenz curves. For the ZTPBrXW model we have

$$m_r(y) = \sum_{j,k,h=0}^{\infty} \tau_{j,k,h}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}} \alpha^r \gamma\left(1+r\beta^{-1}, \left(\frac{\alpha}{t}\right)^\beta\right)|_{(r>-\beta)},$$

where

$$\gamma(a, q) = \int_0^q t^{a-1} \exp(-t) dt = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^h}{n! (a+h)} z^{a+h}.$$

3.6. Generating functions

The moment generating function (mgf) of X , say $M(t) = \mathbf{E}(\exp(tX))$, is obtained from (3.6) as

$$M(t) = \sum_{j,k=0}^{\infty} v_{j,k} M_{2(1+j)+k}(t),$$

where $M_\zeta(t)$ is the generating function of Y_ζ given by

$$M_\zeta(t) = \zeta \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(tx) g^{(\varphi)}(x) [G^{(\varphi)}(x)]^{\zeta-1} dx = \zeta \int_0^1 \exp[t Q_G(u; \alpha)] u^{\zeta-1} du.$$

The last two integrals can be computed numerically for most parent distributions. For the ZTPBrXW model we have

$$M(t) = \sum_{j,k,h,r=0}^{\infty} \tau_{j,k,h,r}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}} \alpha^r \Gamma(1+r\beta^{-1}) |_{(r>-\beta)},$$

where

$$\tau_{j,k,h,r}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}} = \frac{t^r}{r!} \tau_{j,k,h}^{\{[2(1+j)+k],r\}}.$$

4. Characterizations results

This section deals with the characterizations of the ZTPBrX-G distribution based on the ratio of two truncated moments. Note that our characterizations can be employed also when the cdf does not have a closed form. We would also like to mention that due to the nature of ZTPBrX-G distribution, our characterizations may be the only possible ones. Our first characterization employs a theorem due to [15], see Theorem .1 of Appendix. The result, however, holds also when the interval H is not closed, since the condition of the Theorem is on the interior of H.

Proposition 4.1. *Let $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous random variable and let*

$$q_1(x) = \left[\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^3 \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^{1-\theta} \exp \left(\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x)}{\overline{G}^{(\varphi)}(x)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}^\theta \right),$$

and

$$q_2(x) = q_1(x) \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The random variable X has PDF (1.2) if and only if the function η defined in Theorem .1 is of the form

$$\eta(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ 1 + \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Proof. Suppose the random variable X has PDF (6), then

$$(1 - F(x)) E [q_1(X) | X \geq x] = \frac{\theta\lambda}{[1 - \exp(-\lambda)]} \left\{ 1 - \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$(1 - F(x)) E [q_2(X) | X \geq x] = \frac{\theta\lambda}{2[1 - \exp(-\lambda)]} \left\{ 1 - \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^4 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Further,

$$\eta(x) q_1(x) - q_2(x) = \frac{q_1(x)}{2} \left\{ 1 - \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \right\} > 0, \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Conversely, if η is of the above form, then

$$s'(x) = \eta'(x) q_1(x) / [\eta(x) q_1(x) - q_2(x)] = 2g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x) / \left\{ 1 - \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and consequently

$$s(x) = -\log \left\{ 1 - \left[G^{(\varphi)}(x) \right]^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Now, according to Theorem .1, X has density (1.2). □

Corollary 4.2. Let $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous random variable and let $q_1(x)$ be as in Proposition 4.1. The random variable X has PDF (1.2) if and only if there exist functions q_2 and η defined in Theorem .1 satisfy the following differential equation

$$\eta'(x) q_1(x) / [\eta(x) q_1(x) - q_2(x)] = 2g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x) / \left\{ 1 - [G^{(\varphi)}(x)]^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Corollary 4.3. The general solution of the differential equation in Corollary 4.2 is

$$\eta(x) = \left\{ 1 - [G^{(\varphi)}(x)]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[- \int 2g^{(\varphi)}(x) G^{(\varphi)}(x) (q_1(x))^{-1} q_2(x) dx + D \right],$$

where D is a constant. We like to point out that one set of functions satisfying the above differential equation is given in Proposition 4.1 with $D = \frac{1}{2}$. Clearly, there are other triplets (q_1, q_2, η) which satisfy conditions of Theorem .1.

5. Parameter estimation

Here, we will consider the estimation of the unknown parameters $(\lambda, \theta, \varphi)$ of the new G family from complete samples by maximum likelihood method. Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample (rs) from the ZTPBrX-G models with a $(q \times 2)$ parameter vector $\Phi = (\lambda, \theta, \varphi^T)^T$. The log-likelihood function for Φ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_n(\Phi) = & n \log 2 + n \log \theta + n \log \lambda - n \log [-\exp(-\lambda) + 1] + \sum_{i=1}^n \log g^{(\varphi)}(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \log G^{(\varphi)}(x_i) \\ & - 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \log [\bar{G}^{(\varphi)}(x_i)] - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)]^\theta - \sum_{i=1}^n s_i^2 + (\theta - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)], \end{aligned}$$

where $s_i = \frac{G^{(\varphi)}(x_i)}{\bar{G}^{(\varphi)}(x_i)}$. The above log-likelihood function can be maximized numerically by using R (optim), SAS (PROC NLMIXED) or Ox program (sub-routine MaxBFGS), among others. For interval estimation of the parameters, the elements of the $q \times q$ observed information matrix $J(\Phi)$ can be evaluated numerically, where

$$\begin{aligned} U_\lambda = \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} [\ell_n(\Phi)] &= \frac{n}{\lambda} + \frac{n \exp(-\lambda)}{-\exp(-\lambda) + 1} - \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)]^\theta, \\ U_\theta = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [\ell_n(\Phi)] &= \frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)] - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)]^\theta \log [1 - \exp(-s_i^2)] \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\varphi_k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_k} [\ell_n(\Phi)] &= + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{g'}{g^{(\varphi)}(x_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{G'}{G^{(\varphi)}(x_i)} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n m_i s_i \\ & - 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\bar{G}'}{\bar{G}^{(\varphi)}(x_i)} - 2\lambda\theta \sum_{i=1}^n m_i s_i \frac{[1 - \exp(-s_i^2)]^{\theta-1}}{\exp(s_i^2)} + 2(\theta - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{m_i s_i}{\exp(s_i^2)}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$g' = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_k} [g^{(\varphi)}(x_i)], G' = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_k} [G^{(\varphi)}(x_i)], \bar{G}' = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_k} [\bar{G}^{(\varphi)}(x_i)], \text{ and } m_i = \frac{\partial s_i}{\partial \varphi_k}.$$

6. Modeling reliability and medical data using the ZTPBrXW model

In this section, we provide three applications to show empirically the potentiality of the ZTPBrXW model. In order to compare the fits of the ZTPBrXW distribution with other competing distributions, we consider the Cramér-von Mises (W^*) and the Anderson-Darling (A^*) statistics. These two statistics are widely used to determine how closely a specific CDF fits the empirical distribution of a given data set. These statistics are given by

$$W^* = (1 + 1/2n) \left[(1/12n) + \sum_{j=1}^n [z_i - (2j - 1) / 2n]^2 \right],$$

and

$$A^* = \left\{ n + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (2j - 1) \log [z_i (1 - z_{n-j+1})] \right\} \left(1 + \frac{9}{4n^2} + \frac{3}{4n} \right),$$

respectively, where $z_i = F(y_j)$ and the y_j 's values are the ordered observations. The smaller these statistics are, the better the fit. The required computations are carried out using the R software. The MLEs and the corresponding standard errors (in parentheses) of the model parameters are given in Tables 1, 3, and 5. The numerical values of the statistics W^* and A^* are listed in Tables 2, 4, and 6. The histograms of the two data sets and the estimated PDF of the proposed model are displayed in Figures 2 and 3.

6.1. Application 1

The first real data set represents the data on failure times of 84 aircraft windshield given in [28]. The data are: 0.040, 1.866, 2.385, 3.443, 0.301, 1.876, 2.481, 3.467, 0.309, 1.899, 2.610, 3.478, 0.557, 1.911, 2.625, 4.570, 1.652, 2.300, 3.344, 4.602, 1.757, 3.578, 0.943, 1.912, 2.632, 3.595, 1.303, 2.089, 2.902, 4.167, 1.432, 4.376, 1.615, 2.223, 3.114, 4.449, 1.619, 2.097, 2.934, 4.240, 1.480, 2.135, 2.962, 4.255, 1.505, 2.154, 2.964, 4.278, 1.506, 2.190, 3.000, 4.305, 1.070, 1.914, 2.646, 3.699, 1.124, 1.981, 2.661, 3.779, 1.248, 2.010, 2.224, 3.117, 4.485, 1.652, 2.229, 3.166, 2.688, 3.924, 1.281, 2.038, 2.823, 4.035, 1.281, 2.085, 2.890, 4.121, 1.568, 2.194, 3.103, 2.324, 3.376, 4.663. Here, we shall compare the fits of the ZTPBrXW distribution with those of other competitive models, namely: Marshall Olkin extended-Weibull (MOEW):

$$f_{MOEW}^{(\gamma, \beta, \alpha)}(x) = \alpha \beta \gamma \beta x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - (1 - \alpha) \exp [-(\gamma x)^\beta] \right\}^{-2} \exp [-(\gamma x)^\beta];$$

Gamma-Weibull (GaW) ([30])

$$f_{GaW}^{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)}(x) = \beta \alpha^{\gamma/\beta+1} \Gamma^{-1} (1 + \gamma/\beta) x^{\beta+\gamma-1} \exp [-\alpha x^\beta];$$

Kumaraswamy-Weibull (KwW) ([11])

$$f_{KwW}^{(\alpha, \beta, a, b)}(x) = a b \beta \alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\}^{a-1} \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \left\{ 1 - \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\}^a \right\}^{b-1};$$

Weibull-Fréchet (WFr) ([4])

$$f_{WFr}^{(\alpha, \beta, a, b)}(x) = a b \beta \alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\}^{a-1} \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \left\{ 1 - \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\}^a \right\}^{b-1};$$

Beta-Weibull (BW) ([24])

$$f_{BW}^{(\alpha, \beta, a, b)}(x) = \beta \alpha^\beta B^{-1} (a, b) x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\}^{a-1} \exp [-b(\alpha x)^\beta];$$

Transmuted modified-Weibull (TMW) ([22])

$$f_{TMW}^{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda)}(x) = (\alpha + \gamma \beta x^{\beta-1}) [1 - \lambda + 2\lambda \exp (-\alpha x - \gamma x^\beta)] \exp [-\alpha x - \gamma x^\beta], |\lambda| \leq 1;$$

Kumaraswamy transmuted-Weibull (KwTW) ([2])

$$f_{KwTW}^{(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, a, b)}(x) = a b \beta \alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left(1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\} \right) \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \\ \times \left[\left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\} \left(1 + \lambda - \lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp [-(\alpha x)^\beta] \right\} \right) \right]^{a-1}$$

$$\times \left[1 - \left((1 + \lambda) \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\} - \lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\}^2 \right)^a \right]^{b-1};$$

Modified beta-Weibull (MBW) ([21])

$$f_{MBW}^{(\alpha, \beta, a, b, c)}(x) = \beta \gamma^\alpha \alpha^{-\beta} B^{-1}(a, b) x^{\beta-1} \exp \left[-b \left(\frac{x}{\alpha} \right)^\beta \right] \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{x}{\alpha} \right)^\beta \right] \right\}^{a-1} \\ \times \left(1 - (1 - \gamma) \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-b \left(\frac{x}{\alpha} \right)^\beta \right] \right\} \right)^{-(a+b)};$$

McDonald-Weibull (McW) ([10]),

$$f_{McW}^{(\alpha, \beta, a, b, c)}(x) = \beta c \alpha^\beta B^{-1}(a/c, b) \frac{x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\}^{a-1} \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right]}{\left(1 - \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\}^c \right)^{1-b}};$$

and Transmuted exponentiated generalized Weibull (TE_xGW) ([37])

$$f_{TE_{x}GW}^{(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, a, b)}(x) = ab\beta\alpha^\beta \frac{x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-a(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\}^{b-1} \exp \left[-a(\alpha x)^\beta \right]}{\left(1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[-a(\alpha x)^\beta \right] \right\}^b \right)^{-1}}, |\lambda| \leq 1.$$

All the above PDFs are for $x > 0$.

Based on Table 2 and Figure 3 we conclude that the new lifetime model provides adequate fits as compared to other Weibull models with small values for W^* and A^* . The proposed lifetime model is much better than the MOEW, GaW, KwW, WFr, BW, TMW, KwTW, MBW, McW, TE_xGW models, and a good alternative to these models.

Table 1: MLEs (standard errors in parentheses) for data set I.

Distribution	Estimates
ZTPBrXW _(λ,θ,α,β)	−0.0277, 1.189885, 2.8387796, 0.4341143 (1.49708), (0.70545), (1.1007985), (0.095563)
MOEW _(γ,β,α)	488.89946, 0.283246, 1261.966 (189.358), (0.013), (351.073)
GaW _(α,β,γ)	2.376973, 0.848094, 3.534401 (0.378), (0.0005296), (0.665)
KwW _(α,β,a,b)	14.4331, 0.2041, 34.6599, 81.8459 (27.095), (0.042), (17.527), (52.014)
WFr _(α,β,a,b)	630.9384, 0.3024, 416.0971, 1.1664 (697.942), (0.032), (232.359), (0.357)
BW _(α,β,a,b)	1.36, 0.2981, 34.1802, 11.4956 (1.002), (0.06), (14.838), (6.73)
TMW _(α,β,γ,λ)	0.2722, 1, 4.6×10 ^{−6} , 0.4685 (0:014), (5.2×10 ^{−5}), (1.9×10 ^{−4}), (0.165)
KwTW _(α,β,λ,a,b)	27.7912, 0.178, 0.4449, 29.5253, 168.0603 (33.401), (0.017), (0.609), (9.792), (129.165)
MBW _(α,β,a,b,c)	10.1502, 0.1632, 57.4167, 19.3859, 2.0043 (18.697), (0.019), (14.063), (10.019),(0.662)
McW _(α,β,a,b,c)	1.9401, 0.306, 17.686, 33.6388, 16.7211, (1.011), (0:045), (6.222), (19.994), (9.722)
TE _x GW _(α,β,λ,a,b)	4.2567, 0.1532, 0.0978, 5.2313, 1173.3277 (33.401), (0:017), (0.609),(9.792)

Table 2: W^* and A^* for data set I.

Distribution	W^*	A^*
ZTPBrXW $_{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}$	0.06396	0.62668
MOEW $_{(\gamma,\beta,\alpha)}$	0.39953	4.44766
GaW $_{(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)}$	0.25533	1.94887
KwW $_{(\alpha,\beta,a,b)}$	0.18523	1.50591
WFr $_{(\alpha,\beta,a,b)}$	0.25372	1.95739
BW $_{(\alpha,\beta,a,b)}$	0.46518	3.21973
TMW $_{(\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda)}$	0.80649	11.20466
KwTW $_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda,a,b)}$	0.16401	1.36324
MBW $_{(\alpha,\beta,a,b,c)}$	0.47172	3.26561
McW $_{(\alpha,\beta,a,b,c)}$	0.1986	1.59064
TE _x GW $_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda,a,b)}$	1.00791	6.23321

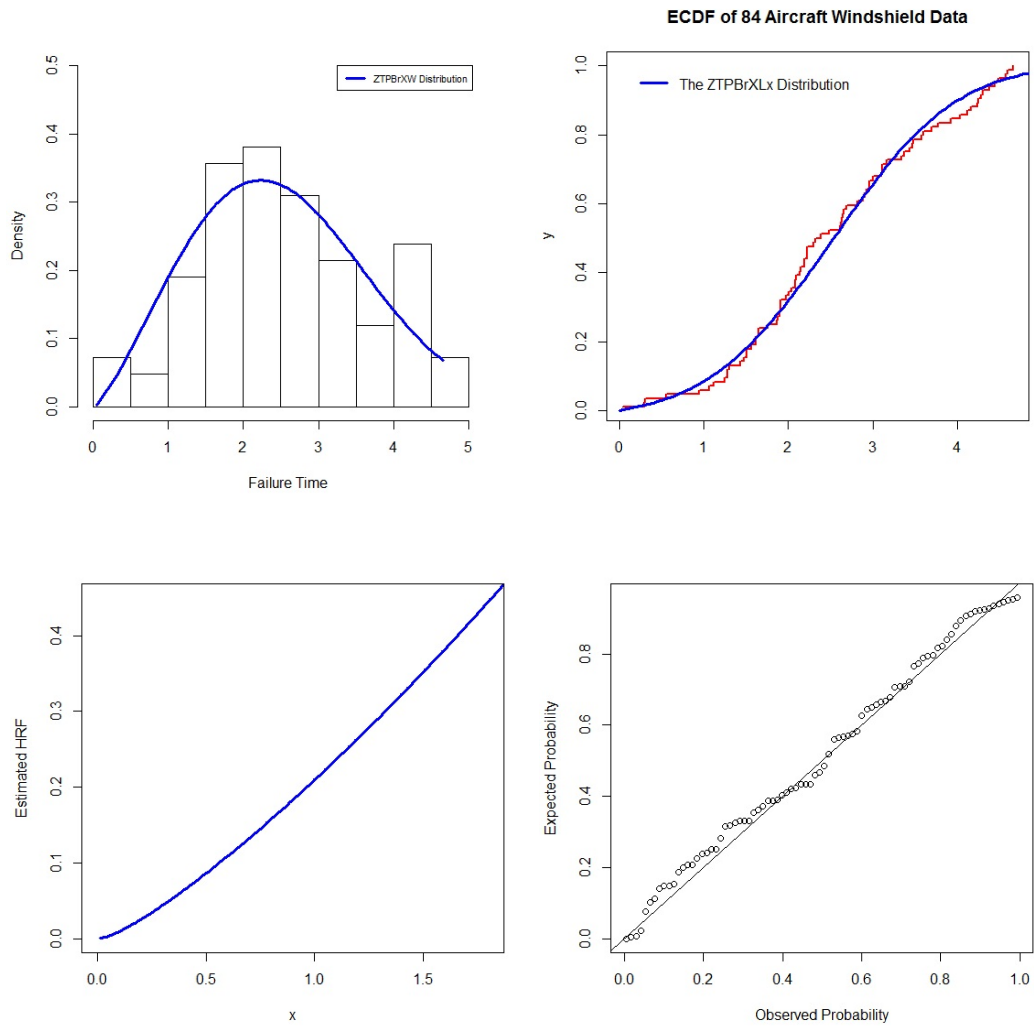


Figure 3: Estimated PDF, CDF, HRF, and PP plot for data set I.

6.2. Application 2

This data set represents the remission times (in months) of a random sample of 128 bladder cancer patients. This data is given by: 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, 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, 7.28, 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, 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. We compare the fits of the ZTPBrXW distribution with other competitive models, namely the TMW, MBW, Transmuted additive Weibull distribution (TAW):

$$f_{TAW}^{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \theta, \lambda)}(x) = (\alpha\theta x^{\theta-1} + \gamma\beta x^{\beta-1}) e^{-(\alpha x^\theta + \gamma x^\beta)} \left\{ 1 - \lambda + 2\lambda e^{-(\alpha x^\theta + \gamma x^\beta)} \right\};$$

the Exponentiated transmuted generalized Rayleigh (ETGR) ([3])

$$f_{ETGR}^{(\alpha, \beta, \delta, \lambda)}(x) = 2\alpha\delta\beta^2 \frac{x e^{-(\beta x)^2} \left\{ 1 + \lambda - \lambda \left(1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right)^\alpha \right\}^{\delta-1}}{\left[1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right]^{-(\alpha\delta-1)} \left[1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left(1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right)^\alpha \right]^{-1}}, |\lambda| \leq 1.$$

Above PDFs are for $x > 0$.

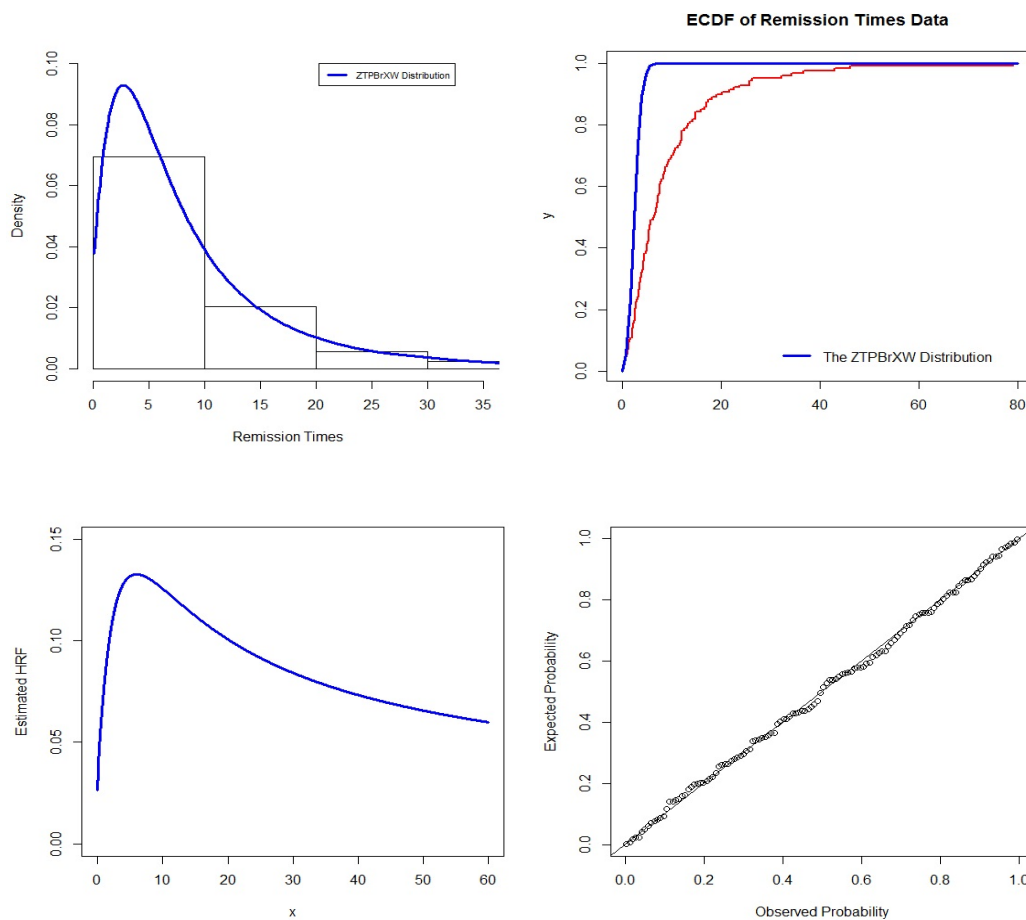


Figure 4: Estimated PDF, CDF, HRF and PP plot for data set II.

Table 3: MLEs (standard errors in parentheses) for data set II.

Distribution	Estimates
ZTPBrXW _(λ,θ,α,β)	−4.3130, 4.8119, 1.2414, 0.10667 (2.4512), (5.02761), (0.1837), (0.0188)
W _(α,β)	9.5593, 1.0477 (0.853), (0.068)
TMW _(α,β,γ,λ)	0.1208, 0.8955, 0.0002, 0.2513 (0.024), (0.626), (0.011), (0.407)
MBW _(α,β,a,b,c)	0.1502, 0.1632, 57.4167, 19.3859, 2.0043 (22.437), (0.044), (37.317), (13.49), (0.789)
TAW _(α,β,γ,θ,λ)	0.1139, 0.9722, 3.0936×10 ^{−5} , 1.0065, −0.163 (0.032), (0.125), (6.106×10 ^{−3}), (0.035), (0.28)
ETGR _(α,β,δ,λ)	7.3762, 0.0473, 0.0494, 0.118 (5.389), (3.965×10 ^{−3}), (0.036), (0.26)

Table 4: W* and A* for data set II.

Distribution	W*	A*
ZTPBrXW _(λ,θ,α,β)	0.019298	0.124081
W _(α,β)	0.10553	0.66279
TMW _(α,β,γ,λ)	0.12511	0.76028
MBW _(α,β,a,b,c)	0.10679	0.72074
TAW _(α,β,γ,θ,λ)	0.11288	0.70326
ETGR _(α,β,δ,λ)	0.39794	2.36077

Based on Table 4 and Figure 4 we conclude that the proposed lifetime model is much better than the W, TMW, MBW, TAW, ETGR models with small values for W* and A* in modeling cancer patients data.

6.3. Application 3

The real data set corresponds to the survival times (in days) of 72 guinea pigs infected with virulent tubercle bacilli. The data are: 10, 33, 44, 56, 59, 72,74, 77, 92, 93, 96, 100, 100, 102, 105, 107, 107, 108, 108, 108, 109, 112, 113, 115, 116, 120, 121, 122, 122, 124, 130, 134, 136, 139, 144, 146, 153, 159, 160, 163, 163, 168, 171, 172, 176, 183, 195, 196, 197, 202, 213, 215, 216, 222, 230,231, 240, 245, 251, 253, 254, 255, 278, 293, 327, 342, 347, 361, 402, 432, 458, 555. We shall compare the fits of the ZTPBrXW distribution with those of other competitive models, namely: Burr X Exponentiated Weibull (BrXEW)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{BrXEW}^{(\theta,\alpha,\beta)}(x) &= 2\theta\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} \left[1 - \exp(-x^\beta)\right]^{2\alpha-1} \exp(-x^\beta) \\
 &\times \left[1 - \exp\left(-\left\{\frac{[1 - \exp(-x^\beta)]^\alpha}{1 - [1 - \exp(-x^\beta)]^\alpha}\right\}^2\right)\right]^{\theta-1} \\
 &\times \left\{1 - [1 - \exp(-x^\beta)]^\alpha\right\}^{-3} \exp\left(-\left\{\frac{[1 - \exp(-x^\beta)]^\alpha}{1 - [1 - \exp(-x^\beta)]^\alpha}\right\}^2\right);
 \end{aligned}$$

the Weibull-Weibull (WW):

$$f_{WW}^{(\beta,\gamma,\lambda)}(x) = \exp\left(-\alpha \left\{-\log [1 - \exp(-\lambda x^\gamma)]\right\}^\beta\right);$$

the Gamma Exponentiated Exponential (GaEE) ([33])

$$f_{GaEE}^{(\lambda,\alpha,\theta)}(x) = \frac{\alpha\theta}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \exp(-\theta x) [1 - \exp(-\theta x)]^{\alpha-1} \{-\alpha \log [1 - \exp(-\theta x)]\}^{\lambda-1};$$

and Exponential Exponential geometric (EEGc) ([32]) distributions

$$f_{EEGc}^{(\alpha,\theta,p)}(x) = \alpha\theta (1 - p) \exp(-\theta x) [1 - \exp(-\theta x)]^{1-\alpha} \{1 - p + p [1 - \exp(-\theta x)]^\alpha\}^{-2},$$

where PDFs are for $x > 0$.

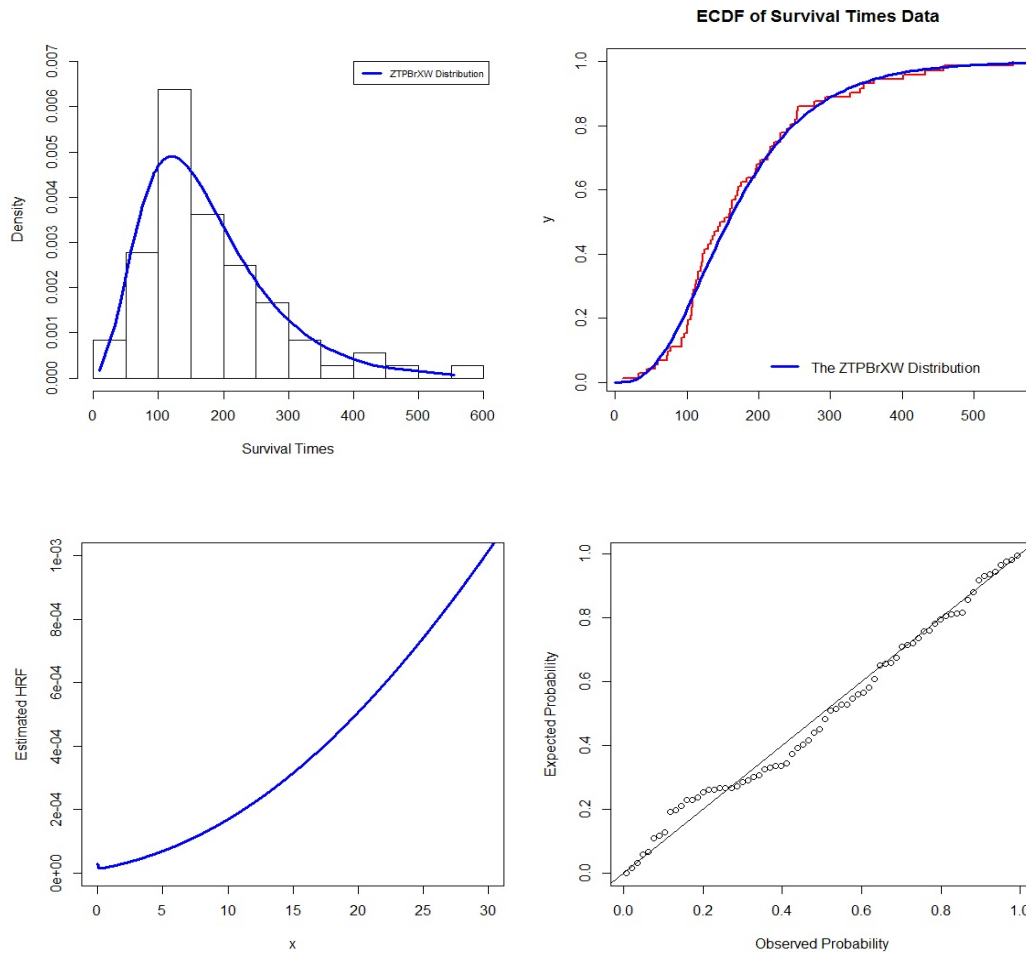


Figure 5: Estimated PDF, CDF, HRF, and PP plot for data set III.

Table 5: MLEs (standard errors in parentheses) for data set III.

Distribution	Estimates
ZTPBrXW _(λ,θ,α,β)	−13.8394, 0.4565, 4.0646, 0.14999 (0.000), (0.000), (1.3448), (0.0206)
BrXEW _(θ,α,β)	3.18, 5.539, 0.166 (2.1174), (2.437), (0.0241)
WW _(β,γ,λ)	2.6594, 0.6933, 0.0270 (0.7129), (0.1707), (0.0193)
OWW _(β,γ,λ)	11.1576, 0.0881, 0.4574 (4.5449), (0.0355), (0.0770)
GaEE _(λ,α,θ)	2.1138, 2.6006, 0.0083 (1.3288), (0.5597), (0.0048)
EEGc _(α,θ,p)	2.5890, 0.0004, 0.9999 (0.4820), (0.0041), (0.1036)

Table 6: W^* and A^* for data set III.

Distribution	W^*	A^*
ZTPBrX-W _(λ,θ,α,β)	0.0769	0.4737
BrX-EW _(θ,α,β)	0.0907	0.5668
W-W _(β,γ,λ)	0.1427	0.7811
OW-W _(β,γ,λ)	0.4494	2.4764
GaE-E _(λ,α,θ)	0.3150	1.7208
EE-Gc _(α,θ,p)	0.1047	0.5789

Based on Table 6 and Figure 5 we conclude that the proposed lifetime model is much better than the BrXEW, WW, OWW, WLogW, GaEE, EEGc models with small values for W^* and A^* in modeling cancer patients data.

7. Modeling failure and service times using the ZTPBrXLx model

In this section, we provide two applications to two real data sets to prove the importance and flexibility of the ZTPBrXLx distribution. We compare the fit of the ZTPBrXLx with competitive models namely: the Burr X Lomax (BrXLx) ([1, 38]):

$$F_{BrXLx}^{(\theta, \lambda, \beta)}(x) = \left(1 - \exp \left\{ - \left[\frac{1 - (1 + x\beta^{-1})^{-\lambda}}{(1 + x\beta^{-1})^{-\lambda}} \right]^2 \right\} \right)^\theta ;$$

ELx model ([17])

$$F_{ELx}^{(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)}(x) = \left[1 - (1 + x\beta^{-1})^{-\lambda} \right]^\alpha ;$$

the Gamma Lomax (GLx) model ([12]):

$$F_{GLx}^{(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)}(x) = \Gamma^{-1}(\alpha) \Gamma(\alpha; \lambda \log [1 + x\beta^{-1}]) ;$$

the Beta Lomax (BLX) model ([25]):

$$F_{BLx}^{(\alpha, \beta, \theta, \lambda)}(x) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \theta)} B \left(1 - (1 + x\beta^{-1})^{-\lambda} ; \alpha, \theta \right) ;$$

and Lx model ([26]) (for $x > 0$ and $\alpha, \beta, \lambda, a > 0$), where $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is the Gamma function, $\Gamma(\cdot; \cdot)$ is the incomplete Gamma function, $B(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the complete beta function and $B(\cdot; \cdot, \cdot)$ is the incomplete beta function.

7.1. Application 4

This data set represents the data on failure times of 84 aircraft windshield given in Application 1. From Table 8 and Figure 6, the ZTPBrXLx lifetime model is much better than Gamma Lomax, beta Lomax, exponentiated Lomax and Lomax models so the new model is a good alternative to these models in modeling aircraft windshield data.

7.2. Application 5

This real data set represents the data on service times of 63 aircraft windshield given in [28]. The data are: 0.046, 1.436, 2.592, 0.140, 1.492, 2.600, 0.150, 1.580, 2.670, 0.248, 1.7190, 2.717, 0.2800, 1.794, 2.819, 0.3130, 1.915, 2.820, 0.389, 1.9200, 2.878, 0.487, 1.9630, 2.950, 0.622, 1.978, 3.0030, 0.9000, 2.053, 3.1020, 0.952, 2.065, 3.3040, 0.9960, 2.117, 3.483, 1.0030, 2.137, 3.500, 1.0100, 2.141, 3.6220, 1.085, 2.163, 3.6650, 1.092, 2.183, 3.695, 1.1520, 2.2400, 4.015, 1.183, 2.3410, 4.628, 1.2440, 2.435, 4.806, 1.249, 2.4640, 4.881, 1.262, 2.5430, 5.140. These data sets were recently studied by Tahir [34] and Abouelmagd [1]. The unit for measurement is 1000 hours for both data sets. From Table 10 and Figure 7, the ZTPBrXLx lifetime model is much better than Gamma Lomax, beta Lomax, exponentiated Lomax and Lomax models so new Lomax model is a good alternative to these models in modeling the service times data.

Table 7: MLEs (standard errors in parentheses) for data set IV.

Model	Estimates
ZTPBrXL $x_{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}$	-5.2837, 0.2860, 1.553, 4.6136 (93.9891), (0.3119), (1.3949), (5.8431)
BrXL $x_{(\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	$5.237 \times e^5$, $8.2291 \times e^{-1}$, $1.1592 \times e^5$ (0.000), (0.10511), (5446.8)
BL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	3.6036, 118.8374, 33.6387, 4.8307 (0.6187), (63.7145), (9.2382), (429.000)
EL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	3.6261, 26257.681, 20074.51 (0.6236), (99.7417), (2041.826)
GL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	3.5876, 37029, 52001 (0.5133), (81.1644), (7955)
L $x_{(\beta,\lambda)}$	131789, 51425 (296.120), (5933.49)

Table 8: W^* and A^* for data set IV.

Model	W^*	A^*
ZTPBrXL $x_{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}$	0.07459	0.1531
BrXL $x_{(\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	0.0764	0.5844
BL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	1.4084	0.1680
EL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.7435	0.2194
GL $x_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.3667	0.1619
L $x_{(\beta,\lambda)}$	1.3976	0.1665

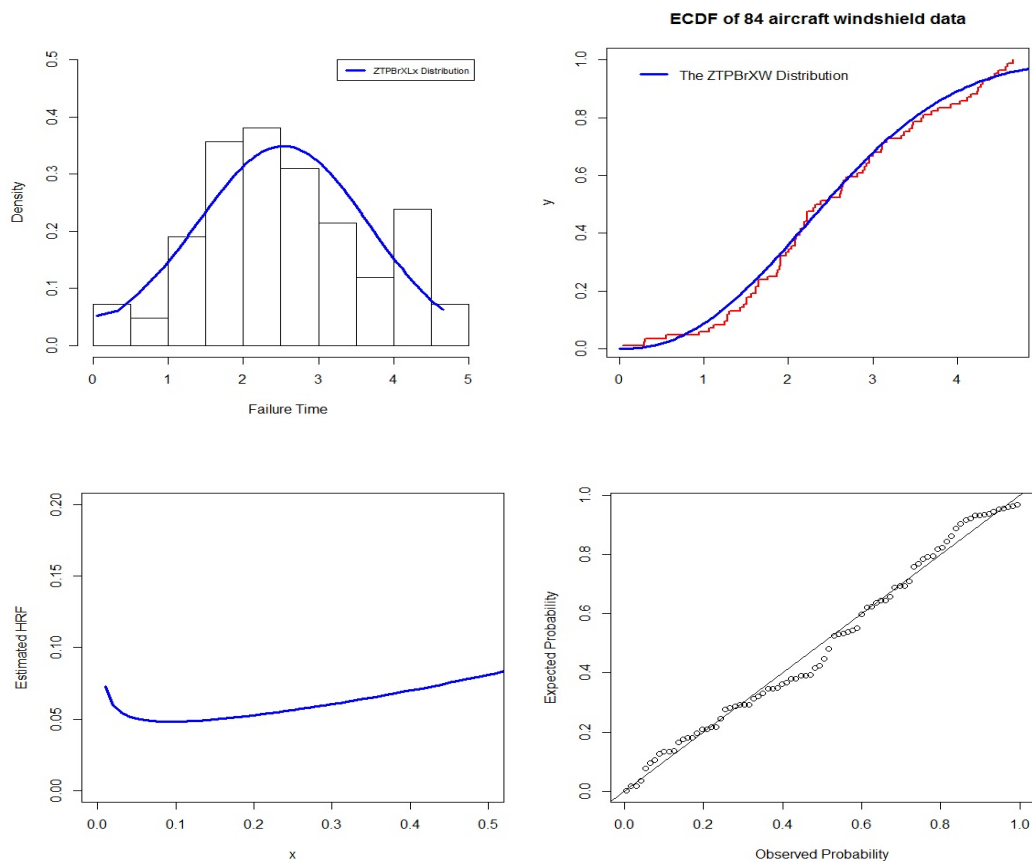


Figure 6: Estimated PDF, CDF, HRF, and PP plot for data set IV.

Table 9: MLEs (standard errors in parentheses) for data set V.

Model	Estimates
$ZTPBrXLx_{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}$	-1.4557, 0.4652, 1.3517, 3.9449 (2.3026), (0.2150), 91.4998), (6.4402)
$BrXLx_{(\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	0.6467, 0.5987, 1.6211 (0.0475), (0.390), (0.959)
$BLx_{(\alpha,\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	1.9218, 169.5800, 31.2595, 4.9685 (0.3185), (339.2068), (316.8413), (50.5279)
$ELx_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.9145, 32881.9, 22971.2 (0.3483), (162.2230), (3209.5)
$GLx_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.9073, 39197.6, 35842.4 (0.3214), (151.6530),(6945)
$Lx_{(\beta,\lambda)}$	207019, 99269 (301.2370), (11863.5222)

Table 10: W^* and A^* for data set V.

Model	W^*	A^*
$ZTPBrXLx_{(\lambda,\theta,\alpha,\beta)}$	0.0337	0.12295
$BrXLx_{(\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	0.0876	0.5278
$BLx_{(\alpha,\beta,\theta,\lambda)}$	1.1336	0.1872
$ELx_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.2331	0.2037
$GLx_{(\alpha,\beta,\lambda)}$	1.1121	0.2038
$Lx_{(\beta,\lambda)}$	1.1265	0.1861

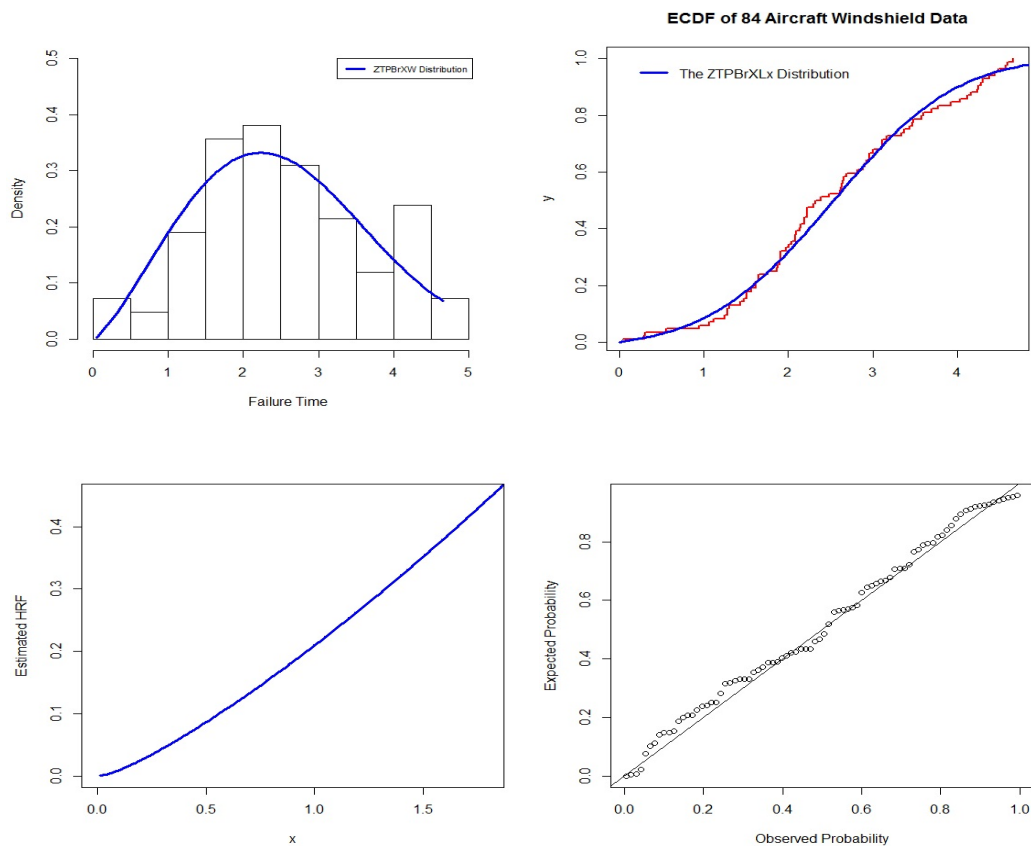


Figure 7: Estimated PDF, CDF, HRF and PP plot for data set V.

8. A modified goodness-of-fit test for ZTPBrX-G family in complete data case

Checking if a series of observations can be modeled by a probability distribution is one of the most important problems in statistical analysis. To validate the choice of a model, we use what we call tests of goodness-of-fit. Researchers have been studying this problem since the beginning of the 20th century when Karl Pearson proposed the famous chi-square goodness-of-fit test (GOF) test. We propose, as a first step, the construction of Nikulin-Rao-Robson (NRR) based chi-squared fit tests for the ZTPBrX-G family in the case of complete data. This test is based on the NRR statistic separately proposed by Nikulin [29] and Rao and Robson [31]. As a second step, an application to real data study has been proposed to show the maneuverability of the proposed test. For more details about non-parametric tests and chi-squared type tests see [6, 7].

8.1. Nikulin-Rao-Robson statistic test for complete data

The well-known Nikulin-Rao-Robson (NRR) statistic ($Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n)$) is one of famous modified classical chi-squared goodness-of-fit test (GOF), that was introduced by Nikulin [29] and Rao-Robson [31] ([14, 35, 36]). It uses the maximum likelihood estimation on the initial data. Suppose that $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)^T$ is a simple sample of n independent and identically distributed random variables.

The problem is to test the null composite hypothesis H_0 : that the i.i.d. random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n follow the same distribution, i.e.,

$$P(X_i \leq x) = F(x, \Theta), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \Theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_s)^T.$$

Nikulin [29] and Rao and Robson [31] proposed the NRR Y_n^2 statistic defined as follows. Let

$$-\infty = a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_{r-1} < a_r = +\infty$$

be the boundary points of the grouping intervals I_1, I_2, \dots, I_r in $(-\infty, +\infty)$. The vector of probabilities is $p(\Theta) = (p_1(\Theta), p_2(\Theta), \dots, p_r(\Theta))^T$, with

$$p_j(\Theta) = \int_{a_{j-1}}^{a_j} f(x, \Theta) dx, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

So, the boundaries of intervals a_j are given by

$$a_j = F^{-1}\left(\frac{j}{r}\right), \quad j = 1, \dots, r-1.$$

If $v_j = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r)^T$ is the vector of frequencies obtained by the grouping of data in the intervals I_j , where

$$v_j = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{x_i \in I_j\}} \quad j = 1, \dots, r,$$

which lies in each of the successive intervals

$$[a_0, a_1), \dots, [a_{r-1}, a_r).$$

The NRR statistic with $\hat{\Theta}_n$ as a maximum likelihood estimator of the parameter vector Θ , is given by

$$Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) = X_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) + \frac{1}{n} L^T(\hat{\Theta}_n) (I(\hat{\Theta}_n) - J(\hat{\Theta}_n))^{-1} L(\hat{\Theta}_n).$$

The Pearson's statistic is $X_n^2(\Theta) = X_n^T(\Theta) X_n(\Theta)$, where

$$X_n(\Theta) = \left(\frac{v_1 - np_1(\Theta)}{\sqrt{np_1(\Theta)}}, \frac{v_2 - np_2(\Theta)}{\sqrt{np_2(\Theta)}}, \dots, \frac{v_r - np_r(\Theta)}{\sqrt{np_r(\Theta)}} \right)^T.$$

The $I(\Theta_n)$ represents the Fisher information matrix, and

$$I(\Theta) = (I_1(\Theta), \dots, I_s(\Theta))^T; \text{ with } I_k(\Theta) = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{v_i}{p_i} \frac{\partial p_i(\Theta)}{\partial \Theta_k}.$$

$J(\Theta)$ is the information matrix for the grouped data defined by $J(\Theta) = B(\Theta)^T B(\Theta)$, where

$$B(\Theta) = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_i}} \frac{\partial p_i(\Theta)}{\partial \mu} \right]_{r \times s} \quad | (i=1,2,\dots,r \text{ and } k=1,\dots,s).$$

Under the null hypothesis H_0 ; the NRR ($Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n)$) statistic follows a chi-square distribution with $r - 1$ degrees of freedom. So, for any fixed $x > 0$, we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) \geq x) = P(\chi_{r-1}^2 \geq x).$$

8.2. Goodness of fit test for ZTPBrXW and ZTPBrXLx models

Let us consider the null hypothesis H_0 according to which the distribution of the sample $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)^T$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : P(X_i \leq x) |_{[\Theta=(\alpha,\lambda,\beta,\theta)^T, x \geq 0]} &= F_{ZTPBrXW}(x, \Theta) \\ &= \frac{1 - \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[- \left(\exp \left[(\alpha x)^\beta \right] - 1 \right)^2 \right] \right\}^\theta \right)}{-\exp(-\lambda) + 1}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : P(X_i \leq x) |_{[\Theta=(\alpha,\lambda,\beta,\theta)^T, x \geq 0]} &= F_{ZTPBrXLx}(x, \Theta) \\ &= \frac{1 - \exp \left(-\lambda \left\{ 1 - \exp \left(- \left\{ [1 + (x\beta^{-1})]^\alpha - 1 \right\}^2 \right) \right\}^\theta \right)}{-\exp(-\lambda) + 1}, \end{aligned}$$

where $F_{ZTPBrXW}(x, \Theta)$ and $F_{ZTPBrXLx}(x, \Theta)$ are the distribution functions of the ZTPBrX-Weibull and ZTPBrX-Lomax distributions. To support the results obtained in this work and showing the usefulness of the modified chi-square NRR ($Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n)$) statistic tests and the applicability of the $F_{ZTPBrXW}(x, \Theta)$ and $F_{ZTPBrXLx}(x, \Theta)$ models, we apply it to two real data; which represents the data of failure times of 84 aircraft windshield given in [28] and the remission times (in months) of a random sample of 128 bladder cancer patients.

8.2.1. Example 1

To test the null hypothesis H_0 that the aircraft windshield ([28]) data arise from a Zero Truncated Poisson Burr X Weibull distribution, we use the NRR statistic explained above. Using the R software and the Barzilai-Borwein (BB) algorithm, we first calculate for $r = 9$ intervals, the maximum likelihood estimates.

$$\hat{\lambda} = 0.2318, \hat{\theta} = 0.2239, \hat{\alpha} = 2.0076, \hat{\beta} = 0.1106.$$

Then, the values of the NRR statistic tests is : $Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) = 16.9834$. We see that

$$Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) \leq \chi_{r-1, \alpha=0.05}^2 = 15.50731.$$

On the other hand we have

$$Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) \leq \chi_{r-1, \alpha=0.02}^2 = 15.16823.$$

This allows us to say that these data can correspond appropriately to the ZTPBrXW model with $\alpha = 0.02$ as a critical value.

8.2.2. Example 2

This data is about the remission times (in months) of a random sample of 128 bladder cancer patients. We choose for this data: $r = 11$ intervals, then we obtain the MLE's parameters of our zero truncated Poisson Burr X Lomax distribution as:

$$\hat{\lambda} = 0.1355, \hat{\theta} = 0.2363, \hat{\alpha} = 0.8491, \hat{\beta} = 1.0072.$$

Then the value of $Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n)$ is 17.0954. We can see that

$$Y_n^2(\hat{\Theta}_n) \leq \chi_{r-1, \alpha=0.05}^2 = 18.30704.$$

It can therefore be concluded that data of remission times of bladder cancer patients is distributed according to our new ZTPBrXLx model.

9. Concluding remarks

The goal of this paper is to introduce a new family of continuous distributions with important physical applications. Some statistical properties are derived, certain useful characterizations of the proposed distribution are presented. Five applications are provided to illustrate the importance of the new family. A modified Goodness-of-fit test for the new family in complete data case are investigated via two examples. We propose, as a first step, the construction of Nikulin-Rao-Robson statistic based on chi-squared fit tests for the new family in the case of complete data. The new test is based on the Nikulin-Rao-Robson statistic separately proposed by Nikulin [29] and Rao and Robson [31]. As a second step, an application to real data has been considered to show the maneuverability of the proposed test.

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Appendix A

Theorem .1. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \zeta)$ be a given probability space and let $H = [a, b]$ be an interval for some $d < b$ ($a = -\infty$, $b = \infty$ might as well be allowed). Let $X : \Omega \rightarrow H$ be a continuous random variable with the distribution function F and let q_1 and q_2 be two real functions defined on H such that

$$\mathbf{E}[q_2(X) \mid X \geq x] = \mathbf{E}[q_1(X) \mid X \geq x] \eta(x), \quad x \in H,$$

is defined with some real function η . Assume that $q_1, q_2 \in C^1(H)$, $\xi \in C^2(H)$ and F is twice continuously differentiable and strictly monotone function on the set H . Finally, assume that the equation $\eta q_1 = q_2$ has no real

solution in the interior of H . Then F is uniquely determined by the functions q_1, q_2 and η , particularly

$$F(x) = \int_a^x C \left| \frac{\eta'(u)}{\eta(u) q_1(u) - q_2(u)} \right| \exp(-s(u)) \, du,$$

where the function s is a solution of the differential equation $s' = \frac{\eta' q_1}{\eta q_1 - q_2}$ and C is the normalization constant, such that $\int_H dF = 1$.

We like to mention that this kind of characterization based on the ratio of truncated moments is stable in the sense of weak convergence, in particular, let us assume that there is a sequence $\{X_n\}$ of random variables with distribution functions $\{F_n\}$ such that the functions q_{1n}, q_{2n} and η_n ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) satisfy the conditions of Theorem .1 and let $q_{1n} \rightarrow q_1, q_{2n} \rightarrow q_2$ for some continuously differentiable real functions q_1 and q_2 . Let, finally, X be a random variable with distribution F . Under the condition that $q_{1n}(X)$ and $q_{2n}(X)$ are uniformly integrable and the family $\{F_n\}$ is relatively compact, the sequence X_n converges to X in distribution if and only if η_n converges to η , where

$$\eta(x) = \frac{\mathbf{E}[q_2(X) \mid X \geq x]}{\mathbf{E}[q_1(X) \mid X \geq x]}.$$

This stability theorem makes sure that the convergence of distribution functions is reflected by corresponding convergence of the functions q_1, q_2 , and η , respectively. It guarantees, for instance, the 'convergence' of characterization of the Wald distribution to that of the Lévy-Smirnov distribution if $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$. A further consequence of the stability property of Theorem .1 is the application of this theorem to special tasks in statistical practice such as the estimation of the parameters of discrete distributions. For such purpose, the functions q_1, q_2 , and, specially, η should be as simple as possible. Since the function triplet is not uniquely determined it is often possible to choose η as a linear function. Therefore, it is worth analyzing some special cases which helps to find new characterizations reflecting the relationship between individual continuous univariate distributions and appropriate in other areas of statistics.