

Modified Inverse Rayleigh Distribution

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ABSTRACT

A two parameter generalization of the Inverse Rayleigh distribution capable of modeling bathtub hazard rate function is defined and studied with application to reliability data. A comprehensive account of the mathematical properties of the modified Inverse Rayleigh distribution including estimation and simulation with its reliability behavior are discussed. An application is presented to illustrate the proposed distribution.

Keywords

Reliability functions; moment estimation; moment generating function; order statistics; maximum likelihood estimation

1. INTRODUCTION

The modified inverse Rayleigh (MIR) distribution is the special case of the modified inverse Weibull (MIW) distribution proposed by Khan M. S and King R [7] and studied its theoretical properties. The modified inverse Rayleigh distribution approaches to the inverse Rayleigh and inverse exponential distributions when its parameters changes. The modified inverse Rayleigh distribution is very useful lifetime model which can be used for analyzing lifetime data. In this research the properties of the modified inverse Rayleigh distribution are discussed. Trayer [12] introduced the Inverse Rayleigh Distribution. Gharraph. [5], Mukarjee and Maitim [11] studied some properties of the inverse Rayleigh distribution. Voda [13, 14, 15] also discussed some properties of the maximum likelihood estimator for the Parameter θ of the inverse Rayleigh distribution. A Comparison of the negative moment estimator with maximum likelihood estimator of the inverse Rayleigh distribution studied by Mohsin and Shahbaz [10]. The cumulative distribution function (cdf) of the inverse Rayleigh distribution is given by

$$G(x; \theta) = \exp\left\{-\theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\} \quad (1)$$

The probability density function (pdf) corresponding to (1) is

$$g(x; \theta) = \frac{2\theta}{x^3} \exp\left\{-\theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\} \quad (2)$$

Here θ is the scale parameter. The behavior of instantaneous failure rate of the inverse Rayleigh distribution has increasing and decreasing failure rate patterns for lifetime data.

2. MODIFIED INVERSE RAYLEIGH DISTRIBUTION

Let x be a random variable having the MIR distribution with parameters α and θ then the probability density function given in (3) with their associated cumulative distribution function, reliability function, hazard function and cumulative hazard function are given in (4-7) respectively

$$f(x) = \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\} \quad (3)$$

$$F(x) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\} \quad (4)$$

$$R(x) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\} \quad (5)$$

$$h(x) = \frac{\left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\}}{1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\}} \quad (6)$$

$$H(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\}}{1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right\}} dx \quad (7)$$

Here α and θ are the scale parameters representing the different patterns of the MIR distribution. Fig. 1a shows the different patterns of the MIR distribution. The non-reliability and reliability patterns are shown in Fig. 1b and Fig. 2a. The behavior of instantaneous failure rate of the MIR distribution has upside-down bathtub shape curve in Fig. 2b.

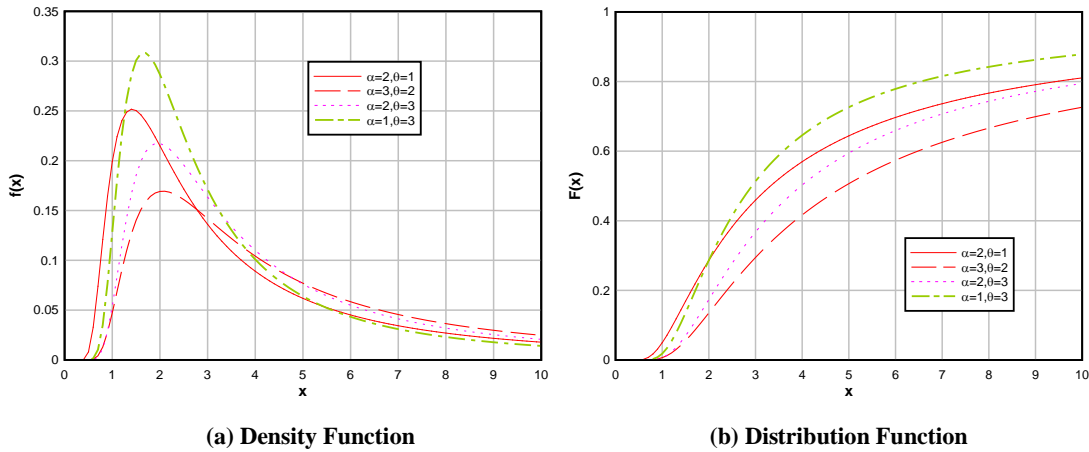


Fig 1: The Modified Inverse Rayleigh PDF & CDF

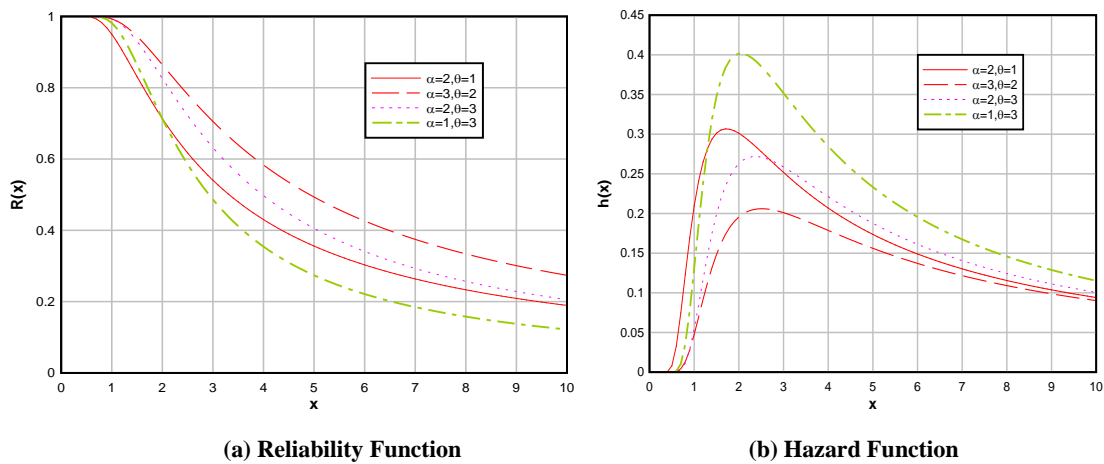


Fig 2: The Modified Inverse Rayleigh RF & HF

3. STATISTICAL PROPERTIES

This section explain the statistical properties of the MIR distribution.

3.1 Quatntile and Median

The quantile x_q of the MIR distribution is the real solution of the following equation.

$$x_q = \frac{2\theta}{-\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - 4\theta \ln(q)}} \quad (8)$$

The above equation has the closed form solution in x_q . By substituting $q=0.5$, one can obtain the median of the MIR distribution. Fig. 3a and 3b shows the median and quartile deviation life of the MIR distribution. To illustrate the skewness and kurtosis we consider the measure based on quantiles. The skewness and kurtosis measures can now be calculated from quantiles using Bowley(B) [6] and Percentile coefficient of kurtosis well known relationships. The Bowley Skewness and Percentile coefficient of kurtosis when $\alpha = 2$, as a function of θ are illustrated in Fig. 4a and 4b. The Bowley's skewness is given by

$$B = \frac{Q(3/4) + Q(1/4) - 2Q(2/4)}{Q(3/4) - Q(1/4)} \quad (9)$$

The Percentile coefficient of kurtosis is given by

$$P = \frac{Q(3/4) - Q(1/4)}{2[Q(9/10) - Q(1/10)]} \quad (10)$$

The behavior of the Bowley(B) skewness is decreasing as the parameter θ increases is illustrated in Fig. 4a. Fig. 4b shows the pattern of the Percentile coefficient of kurtosis is increasing as the parameter θ increases.

3.2 Random Number Generation

The random number as x of the MIR($x; \alpha, \theta$) is defined by the following equation

$$x = \frac{2\theta}{-\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - 4\theta \ln(\omega)}} \quad (11)$$

where $\omega \sim U(0,1)$

The above equation is in closed form solution in x , using ω , a random number is uniformly distributed from zero to one, we have solved the above equation $F(x) = \omega$ to obtain a random number in x .

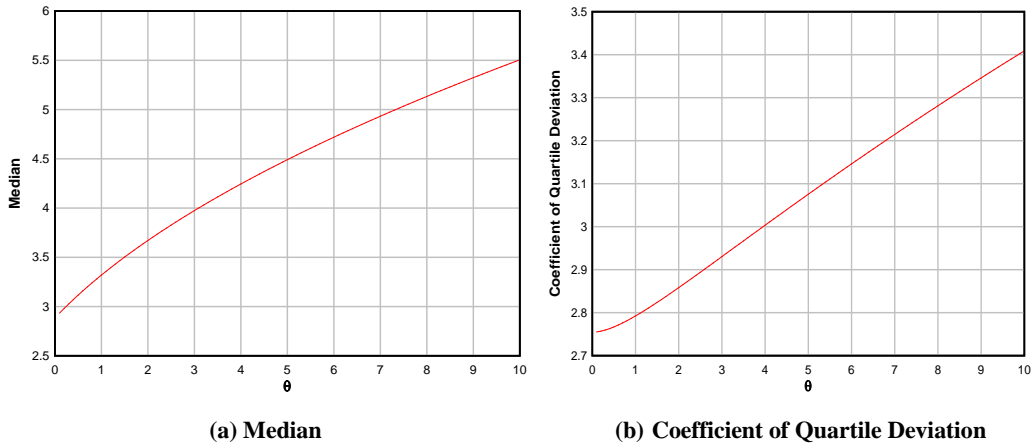


Fig 3: The Modified Inverse Rayleigh Quantiles

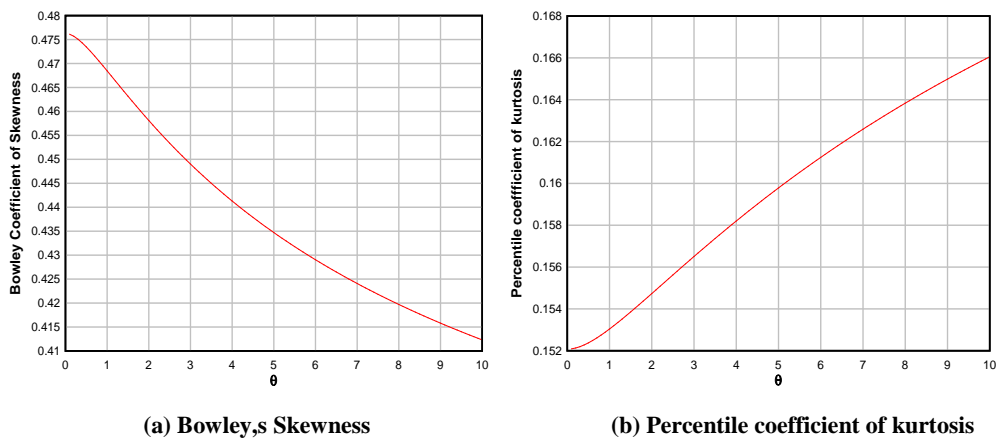


Fig 4: The Modified Inverse Rayleigh Skewness and Kurtosis

3.3 Moments

This subsection present the k^{th} moment, moment generating function of the $MIR(x; \alpha, \theta)$ distribution.

Theorem 1: If X has the $MIR(x; \alpha, \theta)$, then the k^{th} moment of X , μ_k is given as follows

$$\mu_k = \int_0^\infty x^{k-2} \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_k &= \alpha \int_0^\infty x^{k-2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx \\ &\quad + 2\theta \int_0^\infty x^{k-3} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx \\ \mu_k &= \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^m \theta^m}{m!} \alpha^{k-2m} \mathfrak{Z}(\alpha, \theta, k, m) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\mathfrak{Z}(\alpha, \theta, k, m) = \left[\Gamma(2m - k + 1) + \frac{2\theta}{\alpha^2} \Gamma(2m - k + 2) \right]$$

Theorem 2: If X has the $MIR(x; \alpha, \theta)$, then the moment generating function (mgf) of X , $M_x(t)$ is given as follows

$$M_x(t) = \int_0^\infty \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ t x - \frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} M_x(t) &= \alpha \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ t x - \frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx \\ &\quad + 2\theta \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^3 \exp \left\{ t x - \frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx \\ M_x(t) &= \sum_{m=0}^\infty \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^m \theta^m t^n}{m! n!} \alpha^{n-2m} \mathfrak{R}(\alpha, \theta, m, n) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\mathfrak{R}(\alpha, \theta, m, n) = \left[\Gamma(2m - n + 1) + \frac{2\theta}{\alpha^2} \Gamma(2m - n + 2) \right]$$

3.4 Entropy and Mean Deviation

The entropy of a random variable X with probability density f(x) is a measure of variation of the uncertainty. A large value of entropy indicates the greater uncertainty in the data. The Rényi entropy is defined as

$$I_R(\rho) = \frac{1}{1-\rho} \log \left\{ \int f(x)^\rho dx \right\} \quad (14)$$

For the convince, let $u(x) = \int f(x)^\rho dx$, is given by

$$u(x) = \int_0^\infty \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right)^\rho \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{2\rho} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\rho\alpha}{x} - \theta\rho \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} dx$$

$$u(x) = \sum_{g=0}^\infty \sum_{h=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^h (\theta\rho)^h \alpha^\rho}{h!} \binom{\rho}{g} \left(\frac{2\theta}{\alpha} \right)^g v(\alpha, \rho, g, h)$$

$$\text{where } v(\alpha, \rho, g, h) = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{2\rho+2h+g} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\rho\alpha}{x} \right\} dx$$

$$u(x) = \sum_{g=0}^\infty \sum_{h=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^h (\theta\rho)^h \alpha^\rho}{h!} \binom{\rho}{g} \left(\frac{2\theta}{\alpha} \right)^g \Gamma(2(\rho+h) + g - 1)$$

$$I_R(\rho) = \frac{\rho}{1-\rho} \log(\alpha) + \frac{1}{1-\rho} \log \left\{ \sum_{g=0}^\infty \sum_{h=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^h (\theta\rho)^h \alpha^\rho}{h!} \right.$$

$$\left. \binom{\rho}{g} \left(\frac{2\theta}{\alpha} \right)^g \left(\frac{1}{\alpha\rho} \right)^{2(\rho+h)+g-1} \Gamma(2(\rho+h) + g - 1) \right\} \quad (15)$$

If X has the MIR(x; α, θ) distribution, then we can derive the mean deviation about mean and about the median M can be obtain from the following equations Gauss et al. [4]

$$\delta_1 = \mu F(\mu) - \psi(\mu) \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_2 = \mu - 2\psi(M) \quad (16)$$

The mean is obtained from (12) with $k = 1$ and the median M is the solution of the non-linear equation is obtained from (8), where $\psi(q)$ can be obtained from (3)

$$\psi(q) = \sum_{s=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^s \theta^s}{s!} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \right)^{2s} w(\alpha, \theta, q, s) \quad (17)$$

where

$$w(\alpha, \theta, q, s) = \gamma \left(2s + 1, \frac{\alpha}{q} \right) + \frac{2\theta}{\alpha^2} \gamma \left(2s + 2, \frac{\alpha}{q} \right)$$

Using (17), the equation of Bonferroni [3] and Lorenz [9] curves are given in (18) and (19).

$$B(q) = \frac{1}{P\mu} \sum_{s=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^s \theta^s}{s!} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \right)^{2s} w(\alpha, \theta, q, s) \quad (18)$$

$$L(q) = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{s=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^s \theta^s}{s!} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \right)^{2s} w(\alpha, \theta, q, s) \quad (19)$$

where $q = \psi(p)$ is calculated from (9)

4. ORDER STATISTICS

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are independently identically distributed ordered random variables from the MIR(x; α, θ) distribution having 1st order and nth order probability density function is

$$f_{1:n}(x) = C_{r:n} (1 - F(x))^{n-1} f(x)$$

$$f_{n:n}(x) = C_{r:n} (F(x))^{n-1} f(x)$$

By substituting (3) and (4) in above equations is given by

$$f_{1:n}(x) = n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} \times \left[1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} \right]^{n-1} \quad (20)$$

$$f_{n:n}(x) = n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\}^{n-2} \quad (21)$$

Theorem 3: If X has the MIR(x; α, θ), then the pdf of the kth order statistics $x_{(r)}$ is given by

$$f_{r:n}(x) = \frac{(F(x))^{r-1} (1 - F(x))^{n-r} f(x)}{B(r, n - r + 1)} \quad (22)$$

where $B(\dots)$ is the beta function

Proof:

let $\xi = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\}$ and substituting (3) and

(4) in (22), we obtain

$$f_{r:n}(x) = \frac{\xi^r (1 - \xi)^{n-r} \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2}{B(r, n - r + 1)} \quad (23)$$

$$f_{r:n}(x) = n \binom{n-1}{r-1} \sum_{p=0}^{n-r} \binom{n-r}{p} (-1)^p \xi^{r+p} \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \quad (24)$$

Using (24), the kth moment of rth order statistics of $x_{(r)}$ is given by

$$\mu_k^{(r:n)} = n \binom{n-1}{r-1} \sum_{p=0}^{n-r} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{p+q} H(k, p, q) \Sigma(k, p, q) \quad (25)$$

where

$$H(k, p, q) = \binom{n-r}{p} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha(r+p)} \right)^{2q-k} \frac{(\theta(r+p))^q}{q!}$$

$$\Sigma_{k,p,q} = \frac{1}{r+p} \Gamma(2q-k+1) + \frac{2\theta}{(\alpha(r+p))^2} \Gamma(2q-k+2)$$

5. ESTIMATION

Consider the random samples x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n consisting of n observations from the MIR distribution $MIR(x; \alpha, \theta)$ having probability density function. The likelihood function of (3) is given by

$$L = \prod_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{x} - \theta \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \right\} \quad (26)$$

By taking logarithm of (26), we find the log-likelihood function $\mathcal{L} = \ln L$, differentiating (27) with respect to α and θ then equating it to zero, we obtain the estimating equations are

$$\log L = \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right) + \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 - \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{\alpha}{x} \right) - \theta \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \quad (27)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \alpha} = \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right)^{-1} + \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \quad (28)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta} = \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{x} \right) - \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \quad (29)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \alpha^2} = -\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right)^{-2}$$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta \partial \alpha} = -\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\alpha + \frac{2\theta}{x} \right)^{-2} \left(\frac{2}{x} \right)$$

It is more convenient to use quasi Newton algorithm to numerically maximize the log-likelihood function given in equation (27). By solving equations (28) and (29) these solutions will yield the ML estimators $\hat{\alpha}$ and $\hat{\theta}$ respectively.

The existence and the uniqueness of the MLE_S is the main phase for checking the utility of the lifetime distribution. For finding the interval estimation and testing the hypothesis of the subject model, we required the fisher information matrix is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{\alpha} \\ \hat{\theta} \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left[\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \theta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \hat{V}_{11} & \hat{V}_{12} \\ \hat{V}_{21} & \hat{V}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \right] \quad (30)$$

$$v^{-1} = -E \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha \partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha \partial \theta} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \theta^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (31)$$

By using (31), approximately $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence intervals for α and θ are obtained. Here $Z_{\alpha/2}$ is the α th percentile of SND. $\hat{\alpha} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\hat{V}_{11}}$ and $\hat{\theta} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\hat{V}_{22}}$

6. APPLICATION

This section illustrate the usefulness of the MIR distribution to real data to see how the new model works in practice. The real data set corresponds to the exceedances of flood peaks (in m3/s) of the Wheaton River near Carcross in Yukon Territory, Canada. The data consist of 72 exceedances for the years 1958–1984, rounded to one decimal. The data was analyzed by Akinsete et al. [2] and is given below

1.7, 2.2, 14.4, 1.1, 0.4, 20.6, 5.3, 0.7, 1.9, 13.0, 12.0, 9.3, 1.4, 18.7, 8.5, 25.5, 11.6, 14.1, 22.1, 1.1, 2.5, 14.4, 1.7, 37.6, 0.6, 2.2, 39.0, 0.3, 15.0, 11.0, 7.3, 22.9, 1.7, 0.1, 1.1, 0.6, 9.0, 1.7, 7.0, 20.1, 0.4, 2.8, 14.1, 9.9, 10.4, 10.7, 30.0, 3.6, 5.6, 30.8, 13.3, 4.2, 25.5, 3.4, 11.9, 21.5, 27.6, 36.4, 2.7, 64.0, 1.5, 2.5, 27.4, 1.0, 27.1, 20.2, 16.8, 5.3, 9.7, 27.5, 2.5, 27.0.

Table 1. Summary Statistics for MIR, IR, IE using MLE_S

Distribution	Coefficient of Quartile Deviation	Bowley Skewness	Percentile coefficient of kurtosis
MIR	3.142819	0.476172	0.152087
IR	0.365289	0.306863	0.209577
IE	2.612624	0.476281	0.152078

Table 2. MLE_S of the Parameters for flood peaks data

Distribution	α	θ	$-2\ell(.,t)$
MIR	2.28143 (0.27159)	0.105007 (0.016336)	-242.1675
IR	-	0.517986 (0.061045)	119.8349
IE	1.89684 (0.22355)	-	-226.1855

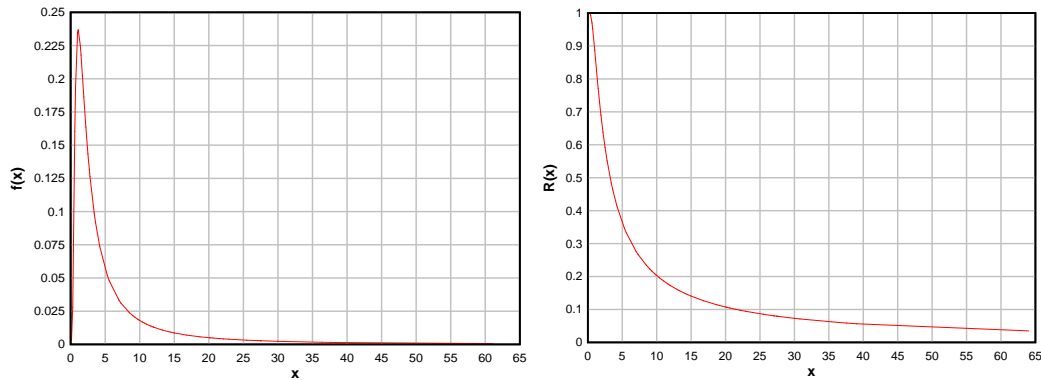


Fig 5: Fitted Modified Inverse Rayleigh for exceedances flood peaks data

Table 3. The Log-likelihood Ratio test and P-values

Distribution	H_0	Λ	P-Value
IR	$\alpha = 0$	362.0024	1.032E-80
IE	$\theta = 0$	15.982	6.395E-05

The summary statistics of the MIR, IR and IE distributions are discussed in Table 1. These three distributions are fitted to the subject data using maximum likelihood estimation. The MLE_S of the parameters (with their standard errors) and their corresponding log-likelihood values are displayed in Table 2. The likelihood ratio (LR) statistics for testing the hypothesis with their corresponding p-values are discussed in Table 3. The values in table 3 indicate that the MIR distribution leads to the better fit than the IR and IE distributions. This indicates that the new parameter α in MIR distribution plays an important role for capturing the right skewed life time data.

7. CONCLUSION

This article introduces the MIR distribution, which is an extension of the IR distribution. The new parameter α provides more flexibility in modeling reliability data. Some of its properties are discussed illustrating the usefulness of the MIR distribution to real data using MLE. The likelihood ratio test concludes that the MIR distribution provides consistent result than the IR and IE distributions.

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