

Modeling Vehicle Insurance Loss Data Using a New Member of T-X Family of Distributions

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ABSTRACT

In actuarial literature, we come across a diverse range of probability distributions for fitting insurance loss data. Popular distributions are lognormal, log-t, various versions of Pareto, log-logistic, Weibull, gamma and its variants and a generalized beta of the second kind, among others. In this paper, we try to supplement the distribution theory literature by incorporating the heavy tailed model, called weighted T-X Weibull distribution. The proposed distribution exhibits desirable properties relevant to the actuarial science and inference. Shapes of the density function and key distributional properties of the weighted T-X Weibull distribution are presented. Some actuarial measures such as value at risk, tail value at risk, tail variance and tail variance premium are calculated. A simulation study based on the actuarial measures is provided. Finally, the proposed method is illustrated via analyzing vehicle insurance loss data.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The usage of heavy tailed distributions for modeling insurance loss data is arguably an important subject matter for actuaries. Besides, one of the major goals of actuarial studies is to model the uncertainty pervading in the realm of insurance with respect to number of claims received in a particular period and the size of the claim severity. Generally speaking, insurance data sets are right-skewed [1], unimodal hump-shaped [2] and with heavy tails [3]. This type of heavy tailed distribution is apt for estimating insurance loss data and thereby helps in assessment of business risk level. Thus, due to its immense significance in actuarial sciences, this type of data has been studied extensively and several probability models have been proposed in actuarial literature. Among the variety of the models, the prominently used models related to insurance loss data, financial returns, file sizes on network servers, etc. are Pareto, lognormal, Weibull, gamma, log-logistic, Fréchet, Lomax, inverse Gaussian distributions; see Resnick [4], Hogg and Klugman [5], Qi [6], Hao and Tang [7], Gómez-Déniz and Calderín-Ojeda [8] and Calderín-Ojeda and Kwok [9] and Yang et al. [10], among others. For assessment of small size losses, distributions like log-normal, gamma, Weibull, Inverse Gaussian, etc. are used while for large insurance losses; commonly used distributions are Pareto, log-logistic, Fréchet, Lomax distributions, etc. Most of these aforementioned classical distributions are generalized for insurance loss data, financial returns etc. based on, but not limited to, the following five approaches: (i) transformation method, (ii) composition of two or more distributions, (iii) compounding of distributions, (iv) exponentiated distributions and (v) finite mixture of distributions, for further detail see, Miljkovic and Grün [11] and Bhati and Ravi [12].

In the recent past, Dutta and Perry [13] carried out an empirical study on loss distributions using Exploratory Data Analysis and empirical approaches to estimate the risk. However, due to lack of flexibility and poor results, they rejected the idea of using exponential, gamma and Weibull distributions and pointed out that “one would need to use a model that is flexible enough in its structure.”

Hence it is imperative to develop models either from the existing distributions or a new family of models to cater insurance loss data, financial returns, etc.

In the premises of the above, we are motivated to search for more flexible probability distributions which provide greater accuracy in data fitting. Hence, in this paper, we introduce a new member of the T-X family [14], called the weighted T-X(WT-X) family of distributions

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for modeling insurance losses. With this idea, we construct a new model named the weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distribution which is more flexible than the Weibull distribution. We later prove empirically that the WT-XW model provides better fits than the well-known competitive distributions in terms of different measures of model validation by means of vehicle insurance loss data. Two of the competitive distributions have one extra model parameter, and the others have the same number of parameters.

We hope that the new distribution will attract wider applications in insurance loss data, financial returns, etc. Finally, estimation of the WT-XW model parameters using the method of maximum likelihood estimation have been carried out. Further, some actuarial measures such as value at risk (VaR), tail value at risk (TVaR), tail variance (TV) and tail variance premium (TVP) are also calculated.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we discuss the proposed approach based on the T-X family of distributions. In Section 3, the proposed approach is applied to the classical Weibull distribution to derive the WT-XW distribution. In Section 4, the maximum likelihood estimators (MLEs) of the parameters are derived and simulation study is carried out in the same section. Afterward, in Section 5, some of actuarial measures are obtained and numerical studies of the risk measures are provided. In Section 6, a numerical application is illustrated based upon the vehicle insurance loss data. Here, the weighted T-X Weibull distribution is compared with the Weibull and other (i) two-parameter distributions such as Pareto, Lomax, Burr X-II (BX-II), Log-normal and (ii) well-known three-parameter models such as Dagum and Marshall-Olkin Weibull (MOW) distributions under different discrimination and goodness of fit measures. Finally, some concluding remarks are given in the last section.

2. PROPOSED METHOD

Let $\nu(t)$ be the probability density function (pdf) of a random variable, say T , where $T \in [m, n]$ for $-\infty \leq m < n < \infty$, and let $W[F(x)]$ be a function of cumulative distribution function (cdf) of a random variable, say X , satisfying the conditions given below:

1. $W[F(x)] \in [m, n]$
2. $W[F(x)]$ is differentiable and monotonically increasing
3. $W[F(x)] \rightarrow m$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ and $W[F(x)] \rightarrow n$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$

The cdf of the T-X family of distributions is defined by

$$G(x) = \int_m^{W[F(x)]} \nu(t) dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (1)$$

where, $W[F(x)]$ satisfies the conditions stated above. The pdf corresponding to (1) is

$$g(x) = \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} W[F(x)] \right\} \nu\{W[F(x)]\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Using the T-X family idea, several new classes of distributions have been introduced in the literature. Table 1 provides some $W[F(x)]$ functions for some members of the T-X family.

Table 1 | Some members of the T-X family.

$W[F(x)]$	Range of X	Members of T-X Family
$F(x)$	$[0, 1]$	Beta-G [15]
$-\log[1 - F(x)]$	$(0, \infty)$	Gamma-G Type-2 [16]
$-\log[F(x)]$	$(0, \infty)$	Gamma-G Type-1 [17]
$\frac{F(x)}{1 - F(x)}$	$(0, \infty)$	Gamma-G Type-3 [18]
$-\log[1 - F^\alpha(x)]$	$(0, \infty)$	Exponentiated T-X [19]
$\log\left\{\frac{F(x)}{1 - F(x)}\right\}$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	Logistic-G [20]
$\log[-\log\{1 - F(x)\}]$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	The Logistic-X Family [21]
$\frac{[-\log\{1 - F(x)\}]}{1 - F(x)}$	$(0, \infty)$	New Weibull-X Family [22]
$-\log\left(\frac{1 - F(x)}{e^{F(x)}}\right)$	$(0, \infty)$	Weighted T-X Family(Proposed)

Now, we introduce the proposed family. Let $T \sim \exp(1)$, then its cdf is given by

$$V(t) = 1 - e^{-t}, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (2)$$

The density function corresponding to (2) is

$$v(t) = e^{-t}, \quad t > 0. \quad (3)$$

If $v(t)$ follows (3) and setting $W[F(x)] = -\log\left(\frac{1-F(x)}{e^{F(x)}}\right)$ in (1), we define the cdf of the weighted T-X family by

$$G(x) = 1 - \left(\frac{1-F(x)}{e^{F(x)}}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (4)$$

The density function corresponding to (4) is

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{e^{F(x)}} \{2 - F(x)\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (5)$$

The key motivations for using the WT-XW distribution in practice are the following:

- A very simple and convenient method to modify the existing distributions.
- To improve the characteristics and flexibility of the existing distributions.
- To introduce the extended version of the baseline distribution having closed form of distribution function.
- To provide best fit to the heavy-tailed data in financial sciences and other related fields.
- Another most important motivation of the proposed approach is to introduce new distributions without adding additional parameter results in avoiding re-scaling problems.

3. SUB-MODEL DESCRIPTION

In this section, we introduce a special sub-model of the proposed family, called the WT-XW distribution. Let $F(x; \xi)$ be the cdf of the Weibull distribution given by $F(x; \xi) = 1 - e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}$, $x \geq 0$, $\alpha, \gamma > 0$, where $\xi = (\alpha, \gamma)$. Then, the cdf of the weighted T-X Weibull has the following expression:

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma) = 1 - \left(\frac{e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}}{e^{(1-e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}}\right), \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma > 0. \quad (6)$$

The pdf and hazard rate function (hrf) of the WT-XW model are given, respectively, by

$$g(x; \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{\alpha \gamma x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}}{e^{(1-e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}} (1 + e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}), \quad x > 0, \quad (7)$$

and

$$h(x; \alpha, \gamma) = \alpha \gamma x^{\alpha-1} (1 + e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}), \quad x > 0.$$

For different values of the model parameters, plots of the density function of the WT-XW are sketched in Figure 1.

In Figure 1, we plotted different shapes for the density of WT-XW distribution for fixed values of γ and different values of α . When $\alpha < 1$, the proposed model behaves like exponential distribution. But, as the value of the α increases the proposed model captures the characteristics of the Weibull distribution. However, the proposed model has certain advantages over the Weibull distribution. For examples, it has heavier tails than the Weibull distribution as shown (in Section 5) through simulated study of the risk measures including VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP. Also, the proposed model provides best fit to the heavy tailed insurance loss data as shown in (Section 6). The hrf is plotted in Figure 2. The hrf of the proposed model is very flexible in accommodating different shapes namely, decreasing, increasing and unimodal and hence the WT-XW distribution becomes an important model to fit several real-lifetime data in applied areas such as reliability, survival analysis, economics and finance.

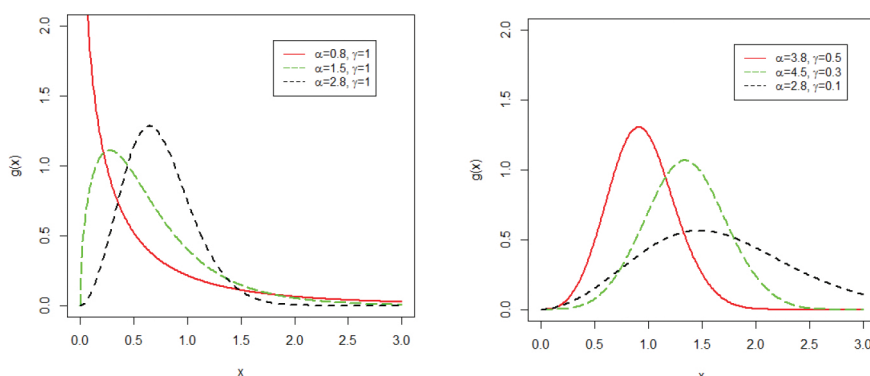


Figure 1 | Different plots for the density function of the weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distribution.

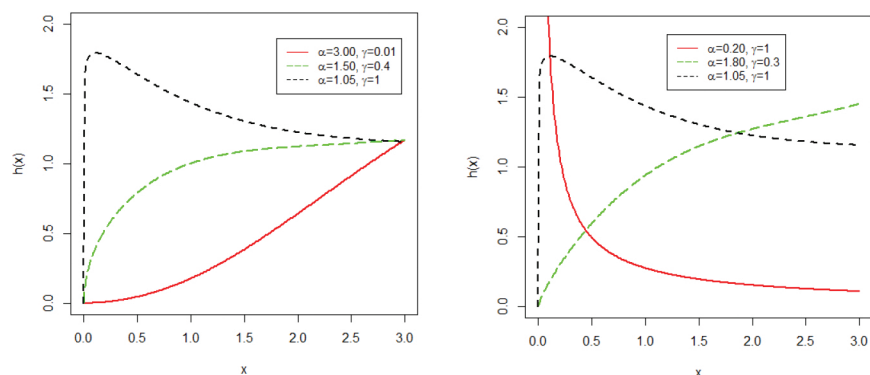


Figure 2 | Different plots for the hrf of the weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distribution.

4. ESTIMATION AND SIMULATION STUDY

Several methods for parameter estimation have been introduced in the literature. Among these approaches, the maximum likelihood method is the most commonly employed. The maximum likelihood estimations enjoy several desirable properties and can be used for constructing confidence intervals. In this section, the method of maximum likelihood estimation is used to estimate the model parameters (α, γ) . For assessing the performance of the MLEs, we provide a comprehensive Monte Carlo simulation study to evaluate the behavior of these estimators.

4.1. Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Here, we discuss the MLEs of the model parameters of the WT-XW distribution. Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be the observations from pdf (7) with parameters α and γ . Then, the log-likelihood function corresponding to (7) is given by

$$L(x_i, \alpha, \gamma) = n \log \alpha + n \log \gamma + (\alpha - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(1 - e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(1 + e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha}\right). \quad (8)$$

The log-likelihood function can be maximized either directly or by solving the nonlinear likelihood function obtained by differentiating (8). We used the goodness of fit function in R with “Nelder-Mead” algorithm to obtain the MLEs. The first order partial derivatives of (8) with respect to the parameters are given, respectively, by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} L(x_i, \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{n}{\alpha} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n (\log x_i) x_i^\alpha - \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n (\log x_i) x_i^\alpha e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha} \quad (9)$$

$$-\gamma \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{((\log x_i) x_i^\alpha e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha})}{1 + e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha}},$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma} L(x_i, \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{n}{\gamma} - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\alpha e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{x_i^\alpha}{(1 + e^{-\gamma x_i^\alpha})}. \quad (10)$$

Setting $\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \log L(x_i, \alpha, \gamma)$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma} \log L(x_i, \alpha, \gamma)$ equal to zero and solving numerically these expressions simultaneously yield the MLEs of (α, γ) .

4.2. Simulation Study

In order to assess the performances of the maximum likelihood estimates of the parameters of the proposed distribution, a comprehensive simulation study is carried out. The process is carried out as follows:

1. The number of Monte Carlo replications was made 500 times each with sample sizes $n = 25, 50, \dots, 500$.
2. Initial values for the parameters are selected such as (i) for set 1, $\alpha = 1.5$ and $\gamma = 1$, (ii) for set 2, $\alpha = 0.5$ and $\gamma = 1$, and (iii) and for set 3, $\alpha = 0.7$ and $\gamma = 1$.
3. Formulas used for calculating Bias and mean square error (MSE) are given by $Bias(\hat{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{500} \sum_{i=1}^{500} (\hat{\alpha}_i - \alpha)$ and $MSE(\hat{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{500} \sum_{i=1}^{500} (\hat{\alpha}_i - \alpha)^2$, respectively.
4. Step (3) is also repeated for γ .

The simulation results are provided in Table 2 and displayed graphically in Figures 3–5.

5. ACTUARIAL MEASURES

One of the most important tasks of actuarial sciences institutions is to evaluate the exposure to market risk in a portfolio of instruments, which arise from changes in underlying variables such as prices of equity, interest rates or exchange rates. In this section, we calculate some important risk measures (VaR, TVaR, TV, TVP) for the proposed distribution, which play a crucial role in portfolio optimization under uncertainty.

Table 2 | The simulation results of the WT-XW distribution.

<i>n</i>	Par	Set 1: $\alpha = 0.5, \gamma = 1$			Set 2: $\alpha = 1.5, \gamma = 1$			Set 3: $\alpha = 0.7, \gamma = 1$		
		MLE	Bais	MSE	MLE	Bais	MSE	MLE	Bais	MSE
25	α	0.5387	0.03879	7.7×10^{-03}	1.5829	0.0829	0.0771	0.7399	0.0399	0.0164
	γ	1.0674	6.7×10^{-02}	9.1×10^{-02}	1.0596	0.0596	0.0966	1.0943	0.0943	0.0926
50	α	0.5197	0.01972	2.8×10^{-03}	1.5534	0.0534	0.0350	0.7205	0.0205	0.0066
	γ	1.0166	1.6×10^{-02}	2.7×10^{-02}	1.0196	0.01961	0.0310	1.0288	0.0288	0.0337
100	α	0.5104	0.01048	8.8×10^{-04}	1.5264	0.0264	0.0163	0.7113	0.0113	0.0027
	γ	1.0032	3.2×10^{-03}	7.0×10^{-03}	1.0248	0.0248	0.0179	1.0087	0.0087	0.0132
200	α	0.5031	0.00319	1.8×10^{-04}	1.5111	0.0111	0.0067	0.7083	0.0083	0.0012
	γ	1.0028	2.8×10^{-03}	1.5×10^{-03}	1.0065	0.0065	0.0066	1.0052	0.0052	0.0057
300	α	0.5012	0.00125	4.7×10^{-05}	1.5025	0.0025	0.0041	0.7040	0.0040	0.0006
	γ	1.0001	1.4×10^{-04}	5.1×10^{-04}	1.0043	0.0043	0.0045	1.0027	0.0027	0.0033
400	α	0.5004	0.00042	1.6×10^{-05}	1.5030	0.0030	0.0031	0.7039	0.0039	0.0004
	γ	0.9998	-1.0×10^{-04}	5.3×10^{-05}	0.9995	-0.0004	0.0032	1.0031	0.0031	0.0019
500	α	0.5003	0.00036	1.3×10^{-05}	1.5016	0.0016	0.0026	0.7024	0.0024	0.0002
	γ	1.0006	6.1×10^{-04}	5.7×10^{-05}	0.9995	-0.0008	0.0030	0.9998	-0.0001	0.0014

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; MLE, maximum likelihood estimator; MSE, mean square error.

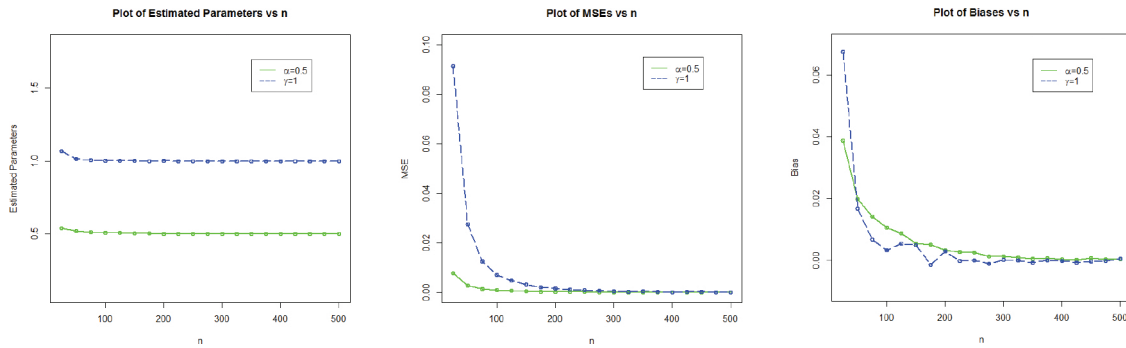


Figure 3 | Graphical display of the simulation results of set 1.

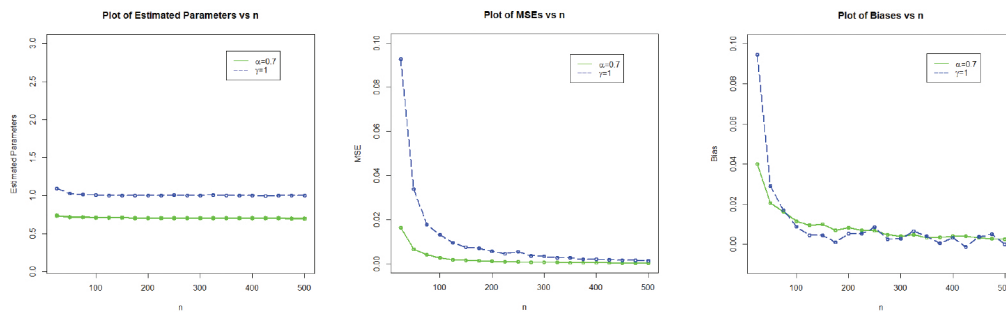


Figure 4 | Graphical display of the simulation results of set 3.

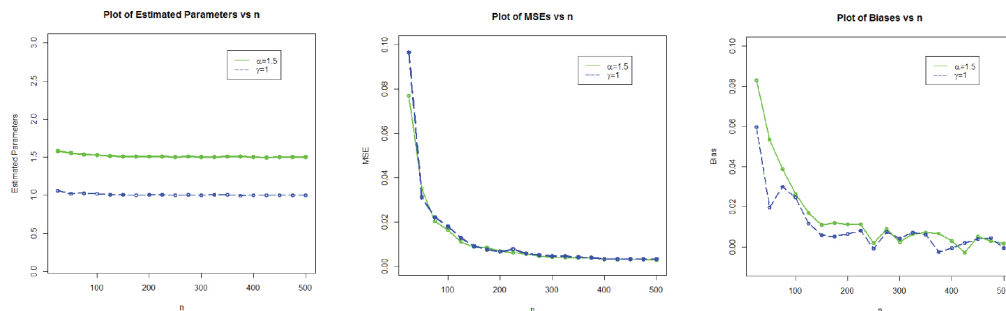


Figure 5 | Graphical display of the simulation results of set 2.

5.1. Value at Risk

In the context of actuarial sciences, the measure VaR is widely used by practitioners as a standard financial market risk. It is also known as the quantile risk measure or quantile premium principle. The VaR is always specified with a given degree of confidence say q (typically 90%, 95% or 99%), and represent the percentage loss in portfolio value that will be equalled or exceeded only X percent of the time. VaR of a random variable X is the q^{th} quantile of its cdf, see Artzner [23]. If X follows (7), then the VaR of the X is derived as

$$x_q = F^{-1}(t), \quad (11)$$

where t is the solution of the equation $\log(1 - q) + t = \log(1 - t)$.

5.2. Tail Value at Risk

Another important measure is TVaR, also known as conditional tail expectation (CTE) or tail conditional expectation (TCE), used to quantifies the expected value of the loss given that an event outside a given probability level has occurred. Let X follows the proposed family, then TVaR of X is defined as

$$\text{TVaR}_q(X) = \frac{1}{1 - q} \int_{\text{VaR}_q}^{\infty} x g(x) dx. \quad (12)$$

Using (7) in (12), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{TVaR}_q(X) &= \frac{\alpha\gamma}{1-q} \int_{\text{VaR}_q}^{\infty} \frac{x^{\alpha+1-1} e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}}{e^{(1-e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}} (1 + e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}) dx, \\ \text{TVaR}_q(X) &= \frac{\alpha\gamma}{1-q} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^i \frac{(-1)^{i+j}}{(i-j)! j!} \left\{ \int_{\text{VaR}_q}^{\infty} x^{\alpha+1-1} e^{-\gamma(j+1)x^\alpha} dx + \int_{\text{VaR}_q}^{\infty} x^{\alpha+1-1} e^{-\gamma(j+2)x^\alpha} dx \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Recall, the definition of incomplete gamma function in the form $\Gamma(\alpha, x) = \int_x^{\infty} t^{\alpha-1} e^{-t} dt$, so, from (13), we get

$$\text{TVaR}_q(X) = \frac{1}{1-q} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^i \frac{(-1)^{i+j}}{(i-j)! j! \gamma^{(1/\alpha)}} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + 1, \gamma(j+1)(\text{VaR}_q)^\alpha\right)}{(j+1)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}+1}} + \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + 1, \gamma(j+2)(\text{VaR}_q)^\alpha\right)}{(j+2)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}+1}} \right\}. \quad (14)$$

5.3. Tail Variance

The TV is one of the most important actuarial measures which pay attention to the TV beyond the VaR. The TV of the WT-XW distributed random variable is derived as

$$\text{TV}_q(X) = E(X^2|X > x_q) - (\text{TVaR}_q)^2. \quad (15)$$

Consider

$$E(X^2|X > x_q) = \frac{\alpha\gamma}{1-q} \int_{\text{VaR}_q}^{\infty} \frac{x^{\alpha+2-1} e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}}{e^{(1-e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}} (1 + e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}) dx.$$

On solving, we get

$$E(X^2|X > x_q) = \frac{1}{1-q} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^i \frac{(-1)^{i+j}}{(i-j)! j! \gamma^{(2/\alpha)}} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{\alpha} + 1, \gamma(j+1)(\text{VaR}_q)^\alpha\right)}{(j+1)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}+1}} + \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{\alpha} + 1, \gamma(j+2)(\text{VaR}_q)^\alpha\right)}{(j+2)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}+1}} \right\}. \quad (16)$$

Using (14) and (16) in (15), we get the expression for the TV of WT-XW distribution.

5.4. Tail Variance Premium

The TVP is another important measure play an essential role in insurance sciences. The TVP of WT-XW distributed random variable is derived as

$$\text{TVP}_q(X) = \text{TVaR}_q + \delta \text{TV}_q, \quad (17)$$

where $0 < \delta < 1$. Using the expressions (14) and (15) in (17), we get the TVP of the proposed distribution.

5.5. Numerical Study of the Risk Measures

In this section, we simulate the risk measures described above to show the suitability of the proposed model. The simulation is performed for the Weibull and proposed model for the values of parameters. A model with higher values of the risk measures is said to have heavier tail. The simulated results provided in Tables 3 and 4 show that the proposed model has higher values of the risk measures than the traditional Weibull distribution. The simulation results are graphically displayed in Figures 6–9, which show that the proposed model has heavier tail than the Weibull distribution.

Table 3 | Simulation results of VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP for $n = 100$.

Set 1: $\alpha = 0.7, \gamma = 0.5$					
Dist	Level of Significance	VaR	TVaR	TV	TVP
Weibull	0.700	3.5226	8.8297	39.3627	18.6704
	0.750	4.3088	9.8157	41.3919	20.1637
	0.800	5.3327	11.070	43.8447	22.0318
	0.850	6.7450	12.761	46.9629	24.5026
	0.900	8.8951	15.276	51.2849	28.0976
	0.950	12.954	19.898	58.5092	34.5257
	0.975	17.440	24.889	65.5638	41.2805
	0.999	42.732	52.080	96.7712	76.2729
	0.700	1.7264	6.9464	65.3076	23.2733
WT-XW	0.750	2.2581	7.9401	72.4397	26.0500
	0.800	3.0158	9.2719	81.6688	29.6892
	0.850	4.1748	11.179	94.3033	34.7551
	0.900	6.1745	14.233	113.307	42.5602
	0.950	10.623	20.431	148.193	57.4798
	0.975	16.363	27.802	185.051	74.0656
	0.999	57.437	75.031	370.190	167.579

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; VaR, value at risk; TVaR, tail value at risk; TV, tail variance; TVP, tail variance premium.

Table 4 | Simulation results of VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP for $n = 150$.

Set 1: $\alpha = 1.3, \gamma = 1$					
Dist	Level of Significance	VaR	TVaR	TV	TVP
Weibull	0.700	1.4266	5.7649	43.6476	16.6768
	0.750	1.8914	6.5885	48.3030	18.6643
	0.800	2.5493	7.6857	54.3512	21.2735
	0.850	3.5421	9.2447	62.7181	24.9243
	0.900	5.2180	11.718	75.5996	30.6186
	0.950	8.8325	16.697	100.570	41.8403
	0.975	13.392	22.622	129.265	54.9384
	0.999	46.962	62.527	311.306	140.354
	0.700	0.4150	4.6755	119.152	34.4637
WT-XW	0.750	0.6220	5.5085	138.819	40.2133
	0.800	0.9619	6.6914	166.526	48.3229
	0.850	1.5702	8.5105	208.787	60.7074
	0.900	2.8319	11.708	282.440	82.3183
	0.950	6.4148	19.165	452.656	132.329
	0.975	12.300	29.521	688.040	201.531
	0.999	81.598	124.89	2925.11	856.172

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; VaR, value at risk; TVaR, tail value at risk; TV, tail variance; TVP, tail variance premium.

The simulation process is described below:

1. Random samples of sizes $n = 100$ and 150 are generated from the Weibull and WT-XW models and parameters have been estimated via maximum likelihood method.
2. 1000 repetitions are made to calculate the VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP for these distributions.

6. A REAL-LIFE APPLICATION

The main applications of the heavy tail models are the so-called extreme value theory or insurance loss phenomena. We consider a data set from insurance sciences. In this section, we illustrate the WT-XW model by analyzing vehicle insurance loss data to show how the proposed method works in practice. Furthermore, we calculate the actual measures of the Weibull and WT-XW distributions using the real data set.

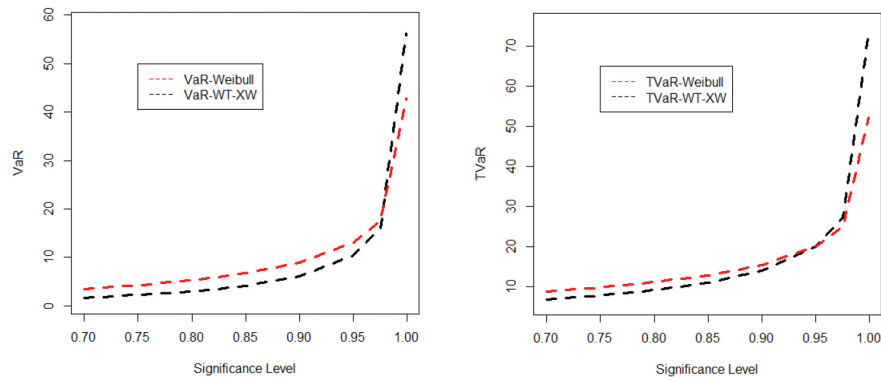


Figure 6 | Plots for the value at risk (VaR) and tail value at risk (TVaR) of the Weibull and weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distributions.

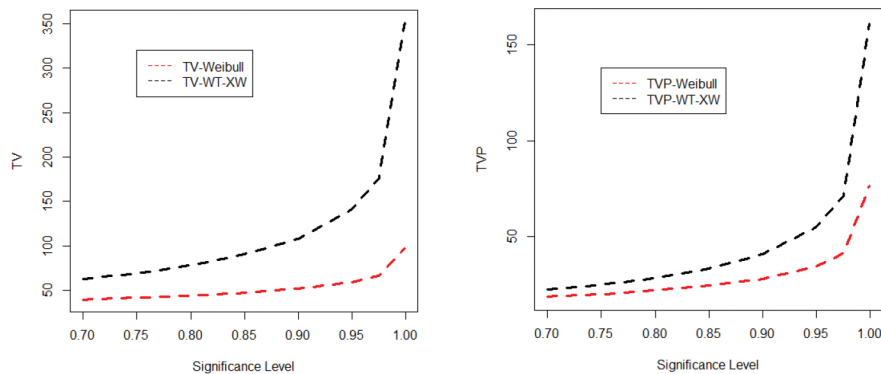


Figure 7 | Plots for the tail variance (TV) and tail variance premium (TVP) of the Weibull and weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distributions.

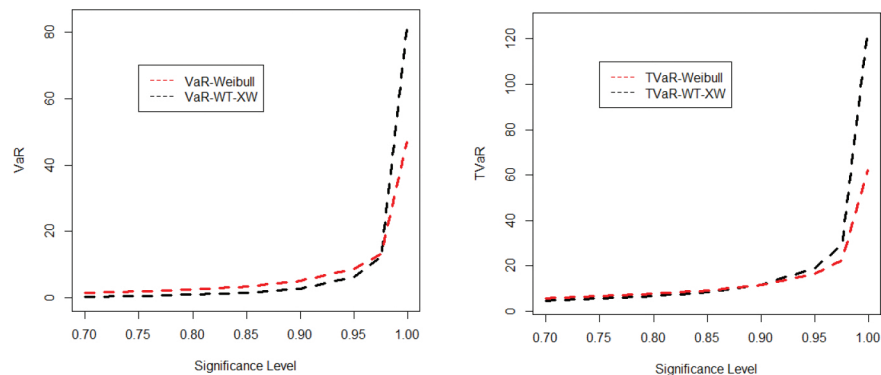


Figure 8 | Plots for the value at risk (VaR) and tail value at risk (TVaR) of the Weibull and weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distributions.

6.1. Application to the Vehicle Insurance Loss Data

In this sub-section, we illustrate the proposed method using a real data set representing the vehicle insurance losses available at http://www.businessandconomics.mq.edu.au/our_departments/Applied_Finance_and_Actuarial_Studies/research/books/GLMs_forInsuranceData. First, we check whether the considered data set actually comes from the WT-XW or not by goodness of fit test and compare the fits with the other heavy tailed distributions including the two and three parameters distributions. This procedure is based on the Anderson Darling (AD) test statistic, Cramer-von-Mises (CM) test statistic and Kolmogorov-Smirnov (KS) statistic with the corresponding p-values. Note that, the AD, CM and KS statistic to be used only to verify the goodness-of-fit and not as a discrimination criteria. Therefore, we consider four discrimination criteria based on the log-likelihood function evaluated at the maximum likelihood estimates. The criteria are Akaike information criterion (AIC), Bayesian information criterion (BIC), Hannan-Quinn information criterion (HQIC), Corrected Akaike information criterion (CAIC). A model with lowest values for these statistics could be chosen as the best model to fit the data. The analytical measures are calculated as follows:

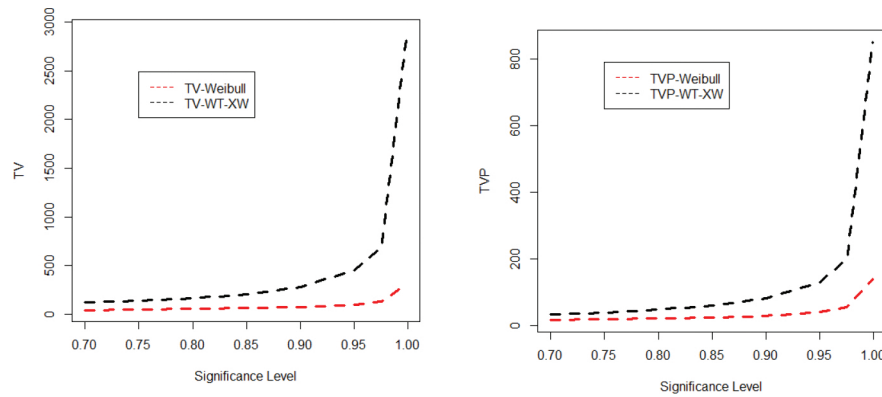


Figure 9 Plots for the tail variance (TV) and tail variance premium (TVP) of the Weibull and weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distributions.

- The AD test statistic is given by

$$AD = -n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) [\log G(x_i) + \log \{1 - G(x_{n-i+1})\}] ,$$

where, n is the sample size and x_i is the i^{th} sample, calculated when the data is sorted in ascending order.

- The CM test statistic is given by

$$CM = \frac{1}{12n} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{2i-1}{2n} - G(x_i) \right]^2 .$$

- The KS test statistic is given by

$$KS = \sup_x [G_n(x) - G(x)] ,$$

where $G_n(x)$ is the empirical cdf and \sup_x is the supremum of the set of distances. The discrimination criteria are calculated using the formulas:

- The AIC is given by

$$AIC = 2k - 2\ell .$$

- The BIC is given by

$$BIC = k \log(n) - 2\ell .$$

- The HQIC is given by

$$HQIC = 2k \log(\log(n)) - 2\ell .$$

- The CAIC is given by

$$CAIC = \frac{2nk}{n-k-1} - 2\ell ,$$

where ℓ denotes the log-likelihood function evaluated at the MLEs, k is the number of model parameters and n is the sample size. The distribution functions of the competitive models are

- Weibull

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma) = 1 - e^{-\gamma x^\alpha}, \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma > 0.$$

- Pareto

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma) = 1 - \left(\frac{\gamma}{x}\right)^\alpha, \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma > 0.$$

- Lomax

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma) = 1 - \left(1 + \frac{x}{\gamma}\right)^{-\alpha}, \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma > 0.$$

- B-XII

$$G(x; c, k) = 1 - (1 + x^c)^{-k}, \quad x \geq 0, c, k > 0.$$

- Log-normal

$$G(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\ln x - \mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right), \quad \sigma > 0, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

- Dagum

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma, \theta) = \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{\gamma}\right)^{-\alpha}\right)^{-\theta}, \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma, \theta > 0.$$

- MOW

$$G(x; \alpha, \gamma, \sigma) = \frac{(1 - e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}{\sigma + (1 - \sigma)(1 - e^{-\gamma x^\alpha})}, \quad x \geq 0, \alpha, \gamma, \sigma > 0.$$

The values of MLEs of the parameters along with the corresponding standard errors (in parenthesis) are provided in Table 5. The discrimination criteria are presented in Table 6. Whereas, the goodness of fit measures are reported in Table 7. A model with lowest values for these statistics is considered as a best candidate model. As we see, the results (Tables 6 and 7) show that the WT-XW distribution provides better fit than the other considered competitors. Hence, the proposed model can be used as a best candidate model for modeling insurance losses. Furthermore, in support of Tables 6 and 7, the estimated cdf and pdf of the proposed model are plotted in Figure 10. The Kaplan–Meier survival plot and PP plot are provided in Figure 11. These plots also reveal that the WT-XW distribution provides the best fit to data compared to the other models.

6.2. Calculation of the Actuarial Measures Using the Vehicle Insurance Loss Data

In this sub-section, we calculate the actuarial measures of the Weibull and the WT-XW distribution using the estimated values of the parameters for the insurance loss data set. The numerical results are reported in Table 8.

As we have mentioned earlier that a model with higher values of the risk measures is said to possess the heavier tails. From the numerical results for the actuarial measures of the proposed and Weibull distributions provided in Table 6, it is clear that the proposed distribution has heavier tail than the Weibull distribution and can be used as good candidate model for modeling heavy tailed insurance data sets.

Table 5 | The estimated values of the parameters with standard errors in parenthesis) of the fitted distributions.

Dist.	$\hat{\alpha}$	$\hat{\gamma}$	$\hat{\sigma}$	\hat{c}	\hat{k}	$\hat{\theta}$	$\hat{\mu}$
WT-XW	0.868 (0.038)	0.006 (0.001)	–	–	–	–	–
Weibull	0.759 (0.041)	0.019 (0.005)	–	–	–	–	–
Pareto	0.959 (0.291)	1.385 (0.491)	–	–	–	–	–
Lomax	1.689 (0.357)	1.256 (0.648)	–	–	–	–	–
B-XII	–	–	–	6.672 (11.259)	0.032 (0.055)	–	–
Log-normal	–	–	0.965 (0.325)	–	–	–	0.765 (0.101)
Dagum	0.968 (0.040)	0.903 (0.103)	–	–	–	0.698 (0.795)	–
MOW	0.594 (0.098)	0.072 (0.289)	2.515 (0.904)	–	–	–	–

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; MOW, Marshall-Olkin Weibull.

Table 6 | Analytical measures of the proposed and other competitive models.

Dist.	AIC	BIC	CAIC	HQIC
WT-XW	2234.262	2240.603	2234.331	2236.833
Weibull	2243.208	2249.549	2243.277	2245.780
Pareto	2260.071	2276.518	2266.090	2264.057
Lomax	2272.037	2279.289	2274.980	2273.885
B-XII	2499.052	2505.393	2499.121	2501.624
Lognormal	2236.643	2243.980	2237.873	2239.098
Dagum	2238.876	2245.084	2239.764	2240.709
MOW	2256.673	2266.184	2256.812	2260.530

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; MOW, Marshall-Olkin Weibull; AIC, Akaike information criterion; BIC, Bayesian information criterion; HQIC, Hannan-Quinn information criterion; CAIC, Corrected Akaike information criterion.

Table 7 | Analytical measures of the proposed and other competitive models.

Dist.	CM	AD	KS	<i>p</i> -value
WT-XW	0.595	3.659	0.090	0.152
Weibull	0.724	4.399	0.103	0.123
Pareto	1.103	5.709	0.478	0.101
Lomax	1.290	5.774	0.573	0.098
B-XII	0.809	5.107	0.408	0.118
Log-normal	0.635	3.971	0.094	0.139
Dagum	0.6409	4.094	0.095	0.134
MOW	0.903	5.431	0.421	0.109

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; MOW, Marshall-Olkin Weibull; Anderson Darling (AD) test statistic, CM, Cramer von-Mises; KS, Kolmogorov-Smirnov.

7. CONCLUDING REMARKS

In the present work, we have proposed a versatile two parameter heavy tailed weighted T-X family of the Weibull distribution. The distribution has closed-form expressions for some insurance measures such as VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP. We have also studied some of its basic properties. Although the method has only been applied to the classical Weibull distribution, yet, this procedure can be extended by using other probabilistic families as parent distribution. The motivation for conducting this study is to find out whether the model can be applied in respect of vehicle insurance loss data. Numerical results show that the WT-XW distribution outperforms other existing long-tail distributions under the different measures of model assessment considered in respect of vehicle insurance loss data. This new method, which has a promising approach for data modeling in the actuarial field, may be very useful for practitioners who handle large claims and thereby it can be deemed as an alternative to the Weibull distribution.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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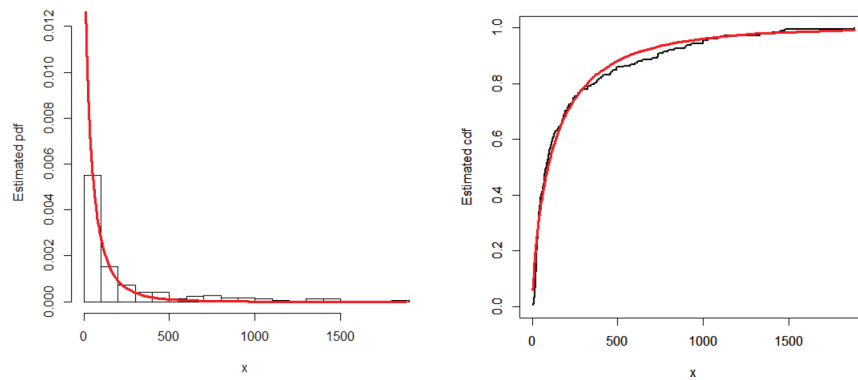


Figure 10 | Estimated probability density function (pdf) and cumulative distribution function (cdf) of the weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distribution.

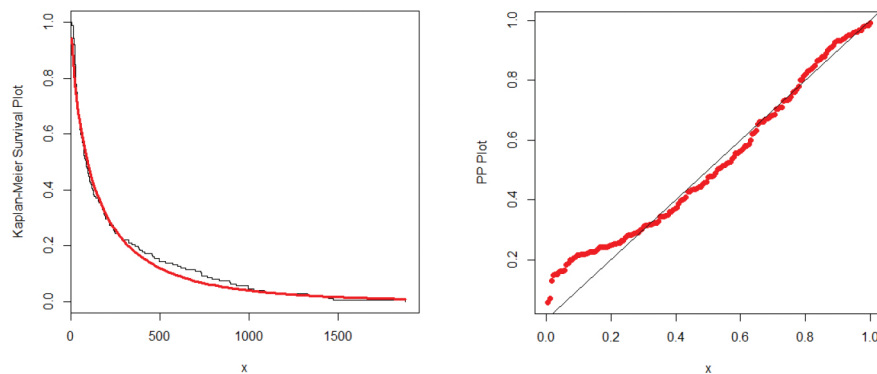


Figure 11 | Kaplan–Meier survival and PP-plots of the weighted T-X Weibull (WT-XW) distribution.

Table 8 | Simulation results of VaR, TVaR, TV and TVP for $n = 150$.

Dist	Parameters	Level of Significance	VaR	TVaR	TV	TVP
Weibull	$\hat{\alpha} = 0.759$ $\hat{\gamma} = 0.018$	0.700	255.920	590.031	142719.084	36269.802
		0.750	308.244	651.818	148310.999	37729.568
		0.800	375.326	729.705	154963.790	39470.652
		0.850	466.263	833.533	163268.542	41650.669
		0.900	602.016	985.866	174526.532	44617.499
		0.950	851.889	1260.832	192776.813	49455.035
		0.975	1121.071	1552.087	210014.124	54055.618
		0.999	2564.815	3075.459	281148.054	73362.473
WT-XW	$\hat{\alpha} = 0.868$ $\hat{\gamma} = 0.006$	0.700	258.291	639.741	210718.724	53319.422
		0.750	312.536	710.832	222490.325	56333.413
		0.800	383.825	801.937	236506.473	59928.555
		0.850	483.543	925.725	253773.605	64369.126
		0.900	638.454	1111.378	276269.591	70178.776
		0.950	938.583	1454.882	309257.870	78769.349
		0.975	1275.602	1824.653	335843.672	85785.571
		0.999	3111.461	3740.299	413793.771	107188.742

WT-XW, weighted T-X Weibull; VaR, value at risk; TVaR, tail value at risk; TV, tail variance; TVP, tail variance premium.

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APPENDIX

R Code for calculating the analysis measures in this manuscript.

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Important Note:
The data is saved in the csv file in our PC, so we used the command
“read.csv” to load the data in to R. The data is saved in column 11,
that’s why we have used the command ”data=data[,11]” to call the
data from the 11th column of the csv file. In the program, pm is
used for the proposed model.
#####
data<-read.csv(file.choose(), header=TRUE)
data=data[,11]
data=data[!is.na(data)]
data=data/5
data
#####
#### The density of the proposed distribution
#####
pdf_pm <- function(par,x)
{
  alpha=par[1]
  gamma=par[2]
  alpha*gamma*(x^(alpha-1))*exp(-gamma*x^alpha)*(1+exp (-gamma*x^alpha))
  *(1/(exp(1-exp(-gamma*x^alpha))))
}
#####
#### The distribution function of the proposed distribution
#####
cdf_pm <- function(par,x)
{
  alpha= par[1]
  gamma= par[2]
  1-(exp(-gamma*x^alpha)/(exp(1-exp(-gamma*x^alpha))))
}
set.seed(0)
goodness.fit(pdf=pdf_pm, cdf=cdf_pm,
starts = c(0.5,0.5), data = data,
method=”Nelder-Mead”, domain=c(0,Inf),mle=NULL)
```